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# **SYSML<sub>2</sub> FTF**

**Proposed corrections to  
graphical notation for successions,  
messages, (succession) flows**

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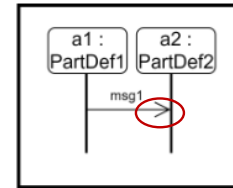
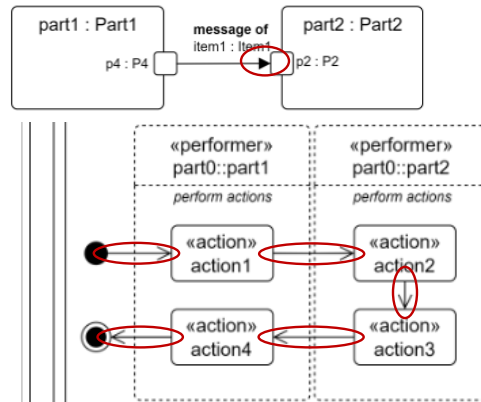
Clause 7, Representative Notation Tables  
 Clause 8.2.3, Graphical Notation

- Inconsistencies in graphical notation for successions, messages and flows in general / action flow / sequence / interconnection views

- Some examples:

7.13.1 different labels, arrowheads

7.16.1 succession indistinguishable from message



8.2.3.9 GBNF for message, succession in sequence view

```
sq-message =
  &sq-l-node --sq message label--> &sq-l-node
```

```
sq-message-label = Identification | FlowPayloadFeatureMember
```

```
sq-succession =
  &sq-l-node -.-> &sq-l-node
```

8.2.3.16 GBNF for succession in action flow view

```
succession =
  &action-flow-node --guard expression?--> &action-flow-node
```



# Correction & Improvement Needed

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Overarching need is clear and unambiguous human-interpretable notation – consistent within and across views

Resolution should ensure:

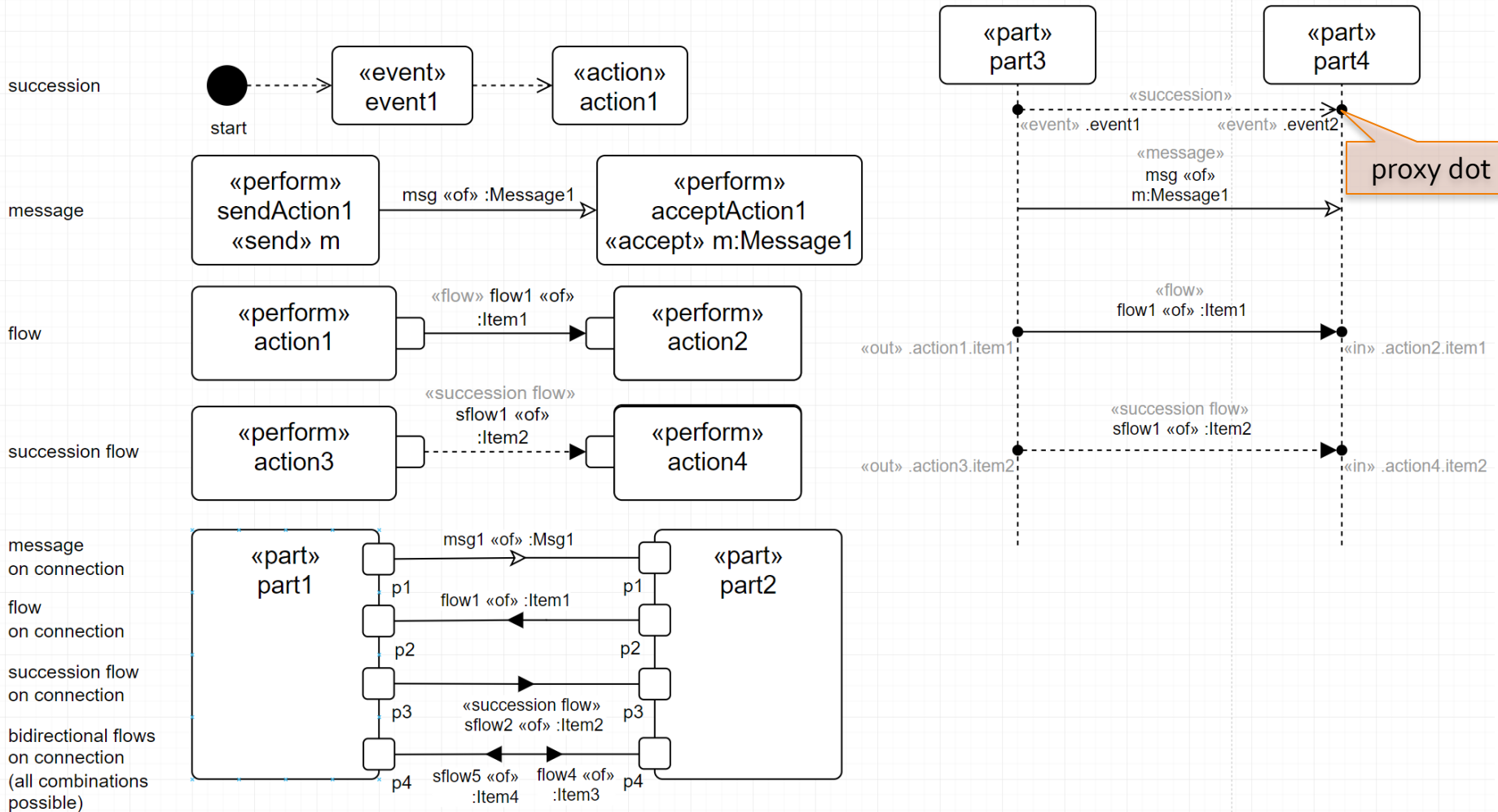
- Distinguishable notation for succession, message, flow, succession flow
- Smooth transition from SysML v1  
E.g., succession with dashed line similar to control flow
- Same notation in action flow and sequence views
- Consistent notation for message or flow on connection (or interface) in interconnection view



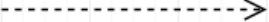



# Proposed Resolution (basics by example)

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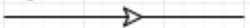


## Legend (4 basic flow types)

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|----|---|---|
| 1) |  | «succession» with optional keyword  |
| 2) |  | «message» with optional keyword, optional name, optional «of» payload         |
| 3) |  | «flow» with optional keyword, optional name, optional «of» payload            |
| 4) |  | «succession flow» with optional keyword, optional name, optional «of» payload |


message, flow or succession flow on a connection

«message»  
msgname «of» item:ItemDef




«message» on «connection» or «interface»  
with optional keyword, optional flowname and optional «of» flow-item

«flow»  
flowname «of» item:ItemDef



«flow» on «connection» or «interface»  
with optional keyword, optional flowname and optional «of» flow-item

«succession flow»  
flowname «of» item:ItemDef



«succession flow» on «connection» or «interface»  
with optional keyword, optional flowname and optional «of» flow-item

