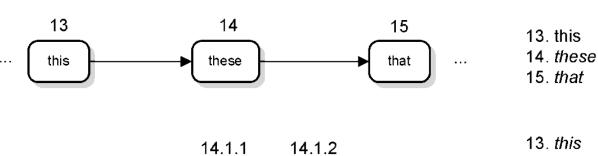
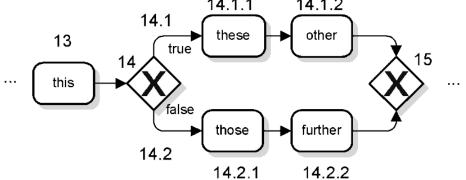
From Reverse Modeling to Modeling

- Reverse modeling is easy: it mainly consists in translation from visual to textual representation. In contrast, the modeling process requires a higher cognitive effort: it is an inherently inductive (creative) process: from informal natural language to a clear and standardized model.
- An efficient learning of the modeling process can be supported by a semi-formal textual description. In the following, we will start to learn the modeling process via simple scenarios described in a semi-formal textual notation.
- The semi-formal notation is made of *short sentences*, numbered so as to allow the specification of the control flows with BPMN 2. It resembles detailed use cases in UML.
- A *sequential* numbering is used to express a sequential order of execution. A new *level of numbering* is used to express a flow internal to some branch of the control flow. A new *decimal numbering* level is used to expresses exclusive branches (e.g. x.1 and x.2). In this case, each branch starts with the *if* keyword. A new *alphabetic numbering* level is used to express parallel or inclusive branches (e.g. x.a, and x.b).

MAPPING FROM SEMI-FORMAL TEXTUAL DESCRIPTION TO BPMN MODEL (AND VICE-VERSA)





14.1. If it is true ...

14.1.1. these

14.1.2. other

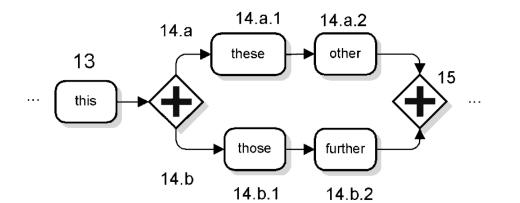
14.1.3. **→** 15

14.2. If It is false ...

14.2.1. those

14.2.2. further

15. ...



13. this

14.a.1. these

14.a.2. other

14.a.3. → 15

14.b.1 those

14.b.2 further

15. Wait for the end of 14.a and 14.b

...

Note: In case of : 15. Wait for

: 15. Wait for the end of the ongoing activites in 14.a and 14.b

Advertising agency

- How an advertising agency produces an advertisement, and which messages it exchanges in doing so.
- 1. The Agency waits for orders from customers
- 2. A Customer sends an order to the Agency including the text for advertisement
- 3. The Agency receives the order from the Customer
- 4. The Agency designs the Advertisement
- 5.a.1. The Agency proofreads the text
- 5.a.2.1. If the text is okay
- 5.a.2.1.1. → 6
- 5.a.2.2. If the text is not okay
- 5.a.2.2.1. The Agency corrects the text
- 5.a.2.2.2. → 5.a
- 5.b.1. The Agency checks the layout
- 5.b.2.1. If the layout is okay
- 5.b.2.1.1. → 6
- 5.b.2.2. If the layout is not okay
- 5.b.2.2.1. The Agency reworks the layout
- $5.b.2.2.2. \rightarrow 5.b$
- 6. Wait until both text and layout are okay
- 7. The Agency sends a proof to the Customer
- 8. The Customer receives the proof from the Agency
- 9. The Customer sends to the Agency a feedback on the proof
- 10. The Agency receives the feedback on the proof from the Customer
- 11.1. If the Customer accepts the proof
- 11.1.1. The Agency archives the advertisement
- 11.1.2. The advertisement can be produced.
- 11.2. If the Customer requests changes
- 11.2.1. The Agency reworks the advertisement
- 11.2.2. **→** 5

