Type Directed Interactive Workflow Modelling

*Tim Steenvoorden*Rinus Plasmeijer

Dutch FP Day, January 5, 2018

Example

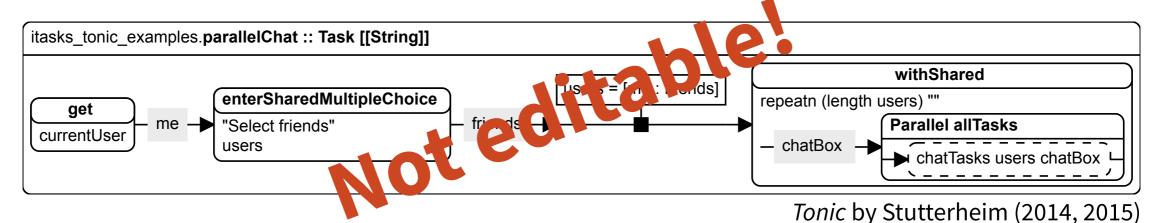
Request solar panel subsidy

- 1. present a webform to an applicant
- 2. check if he/she is obligable for a subsidy
- 3. ask for tax compensation documents and a contractor declaration
- 4. submit the request to the tax office

```
submitOrCancelSubsidy :: TaxSolarPanelDossier -> Task ()
submitOrCancelSubsidy dossier
 = viewInformation "You_can_submit_the_subsidy" [] dossier
 >>* [ OnAction (Action "Submit") (always (submitSubsidy dossier))
      , OnAction (Action "Cancel") (always (return ())) ]
submitSubsidy :: TaxSolarPanelDossier -> Task ()
submitSubsidy dossier
 = get currentDate
 >>- \date -> let dossier = {dossier & date = date}
  in (( viewInformation "Your_request_is_being_processed" [] ())
     ( (UserWithRole "officer", "Subsidy⊥request") @: processRequest dossier))
  >>- \decision -> viewInformation "Your_request_has_been_processed" [] decision
  >>* [ OnAction (Action "Edit request") (ifCond (decision.status <> Approved)
                                                    (resubmitSubsidy dossier))
       , OnAction (Action "Cancel_request") (ifCond (decision.status ⇔ Approved)
       , OnAction (Action "Continue")
                                           (ifCond (decision.status == Approved)
                                                    (return ())) ]
  >>| return ()
resubmitSubsidy :: TaxSolarPanelDossier -> Task ()
resubmitSubsidy dossier
             updateInformation "Edit_your_documents" [] dossier.request.documents
 >>= \new -> submitOrCancelSubsidy {dossier & request.documents = new }
```

Goals

- Understandable by domain experts
- Comprehensible set of basic elements
- Visual representation



- Editable using handful of operations
- Assist during design of workflows

Today

What?

- One language (domain specific, subset of iTasks)
- Two representations:
 - Visual
 - Textual

How?

- 1. Take a problem
- 2. Solve it in easy steps
- 3. Correct our solution
- 4. Study some background

Visual Representation

Example

Request solar panel subsidy

- 1. present a webform to an applicant
- 2. check if he/she is obligable for a subsidy
- 3. ask for tax compensation documents and a contractor declaration
- 4. submit the request to the tax office

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo,

contractor: ContractorInfo

yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses -

yields documents: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses documents: CompensationDocs,

declaration: ContractorDecl



Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses -

yields documents: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses *documents*: CompensationDocs, *declaration*: ContractorDecl yields –

Basics

enter parallel yields info: α

yields iiiio:

view

uses *info*: α yields –





Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses

yields documents: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses documents: CompensationDocs, declaration: ContractorDecl yields -

Basics

parallel enter uses

yields *info*:α

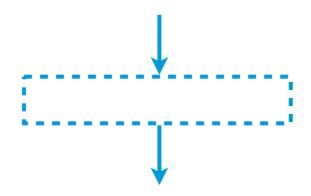
view uses *info*: α













Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses -

yields *documents*: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses *documents*: CompensationDocs, *declaration*: ContractorDecl yields –

Basics

enter uses – yields info:α

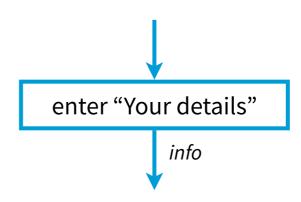
view ch

uses *info*: α yields –

parallel









Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses -

yields *documents*: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

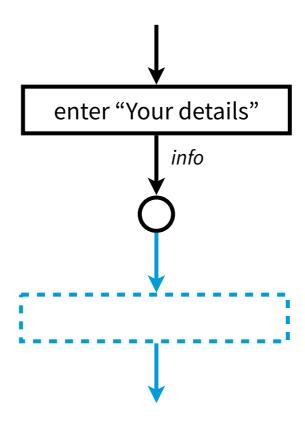
uses *documents*: CompensationDocs, *declaration*: ContractorDecl yields –

Basics

enter parallel uses – yields info: α

view

uses *info*: α yields -





Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses

yields *documents*: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses documents: CompensationDocs, declaration: ContractorDecl

yields -

Basics

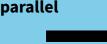
enter uses

yields *info*:α

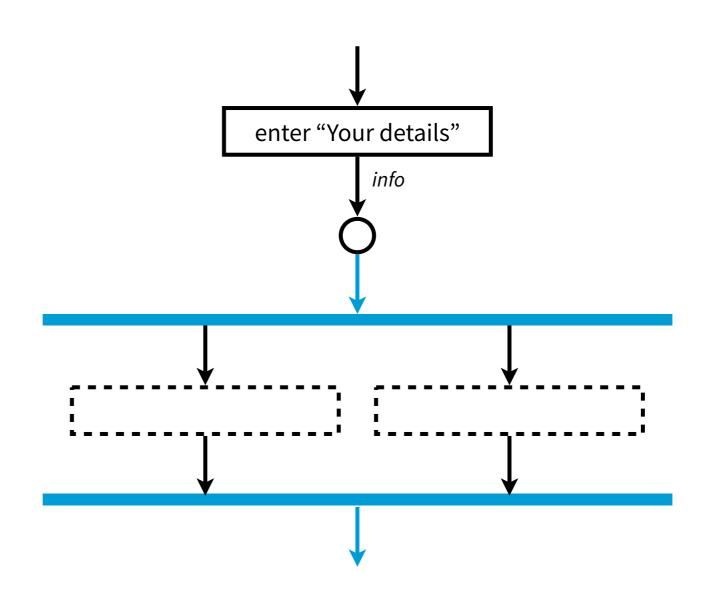
view uses *info*: α

yields -

parallel









Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses

yields *documents*: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses documents: CompensationDocs, declaration: ContractorDecl

yields -

Basics

enter uses

yields *info*:α

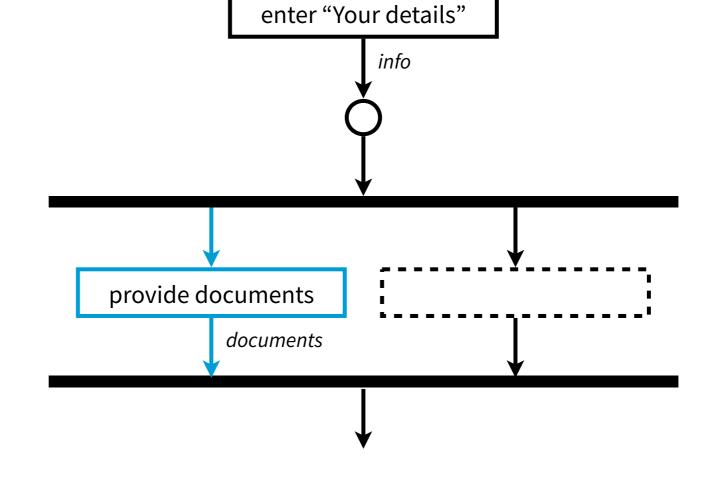
view uses *info*: α

yields -

parallel









Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses

yields documents: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses documents: CompensationDocs, declaration: ContractorDecl

yields -

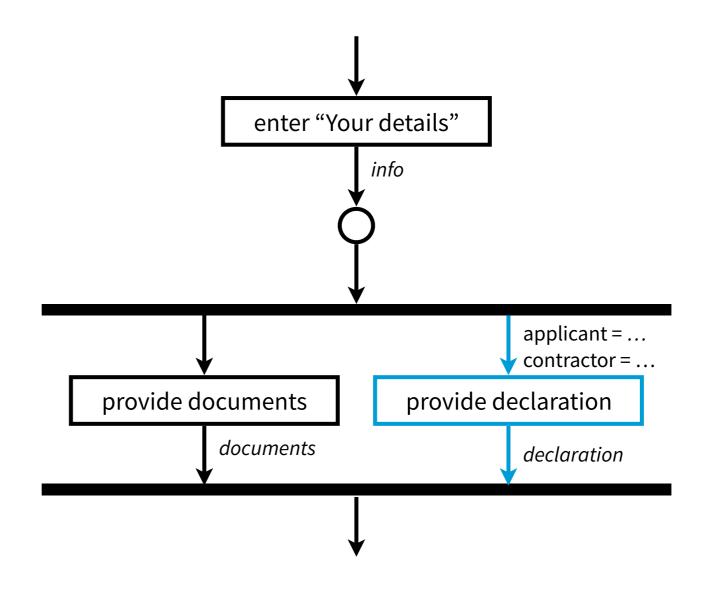
Basics

parallel enter uses

yields *info*:α

view uses *info*: α







Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses -

yields documents: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses *documents*: CompensationDocs, *declaration*: ContractorDecl

yields -

Basics

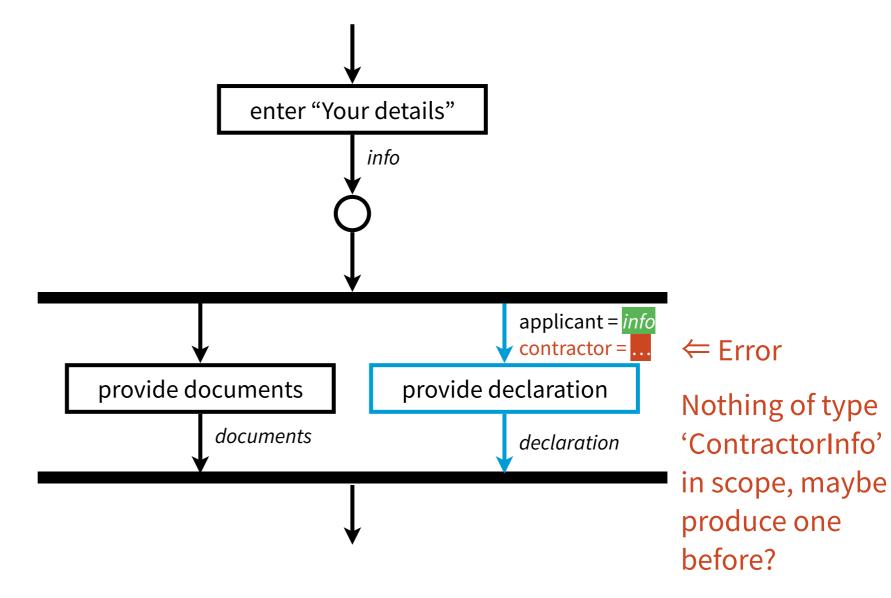
check

enter parallel uses –

yields *info*:α

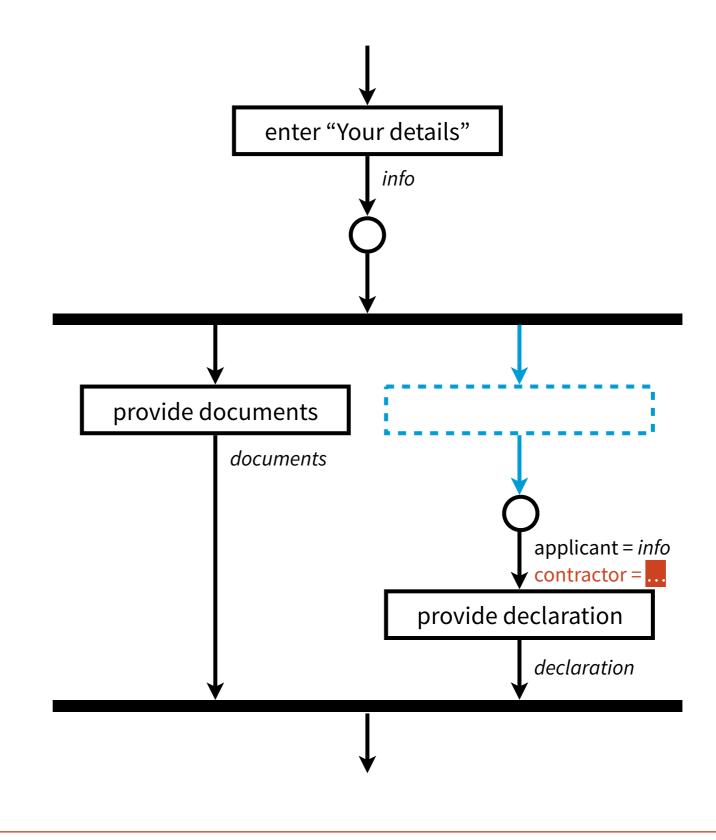
view uses *info*: α

yields –











Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses

yields documents: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses documents: CompensationDocs,

declaration: ContractorDecl

yields -

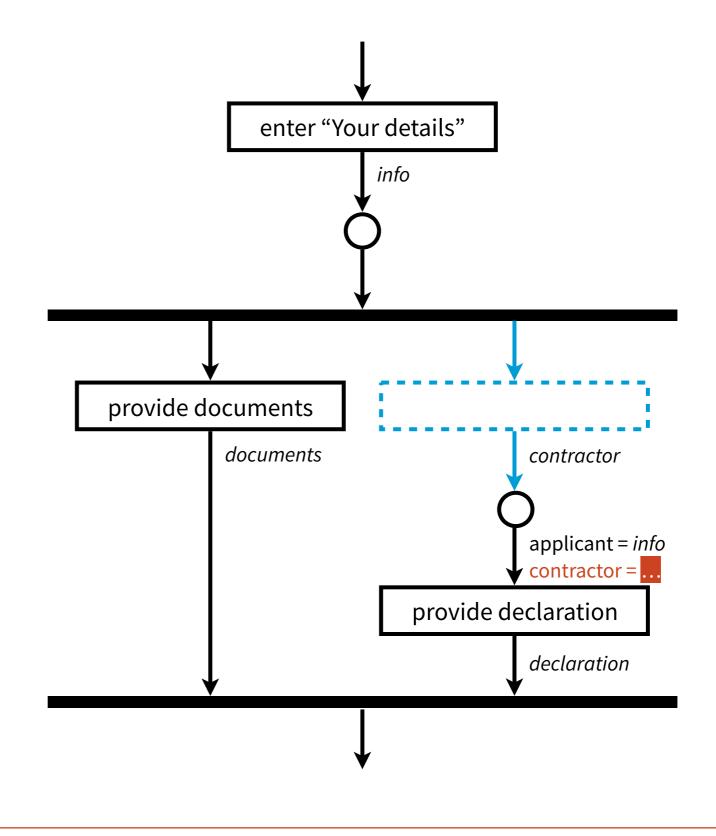
Basics

check

parallel enter uses yields *info*:α

view

uses *info*: α





Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift

Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses -

yields documents: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses documents: CompensationDocs,

declaration : ContractorDecl

yields -

Basics

parallel

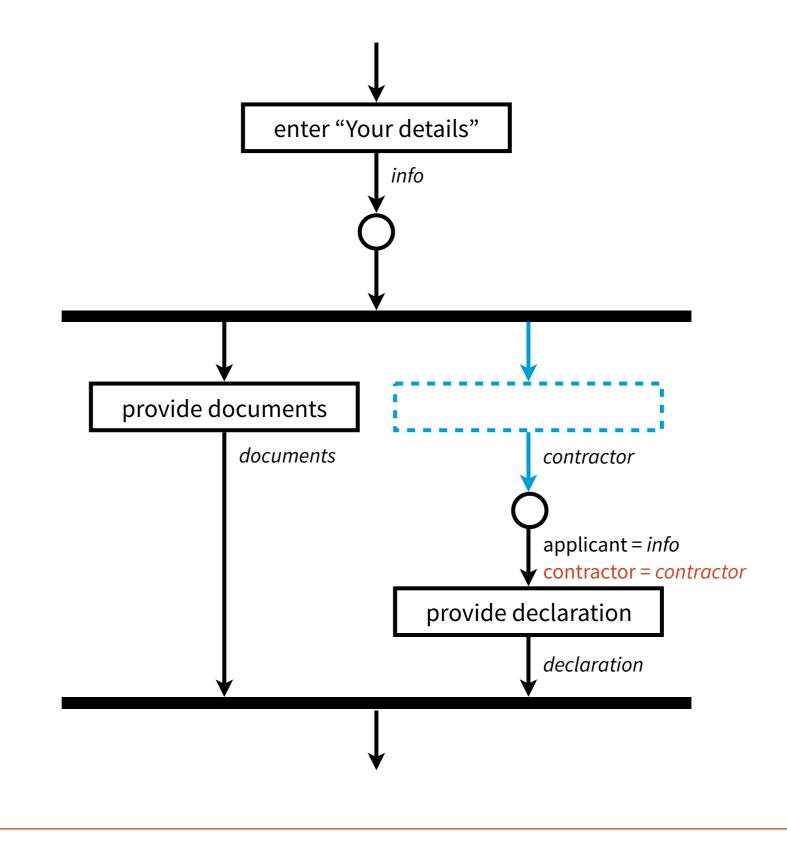
check

enter uses –

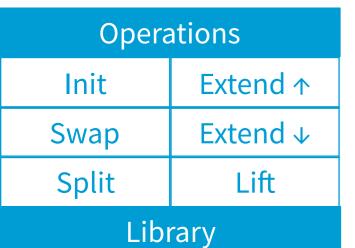
yields *info* : α

view uses *info*: α

uses *info*: α yields –







provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses -

yields documents: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses *documents*: CompensationDocs, *declaration*: ContractorDecl

deciaration : ContractorDec

yields -

Basics

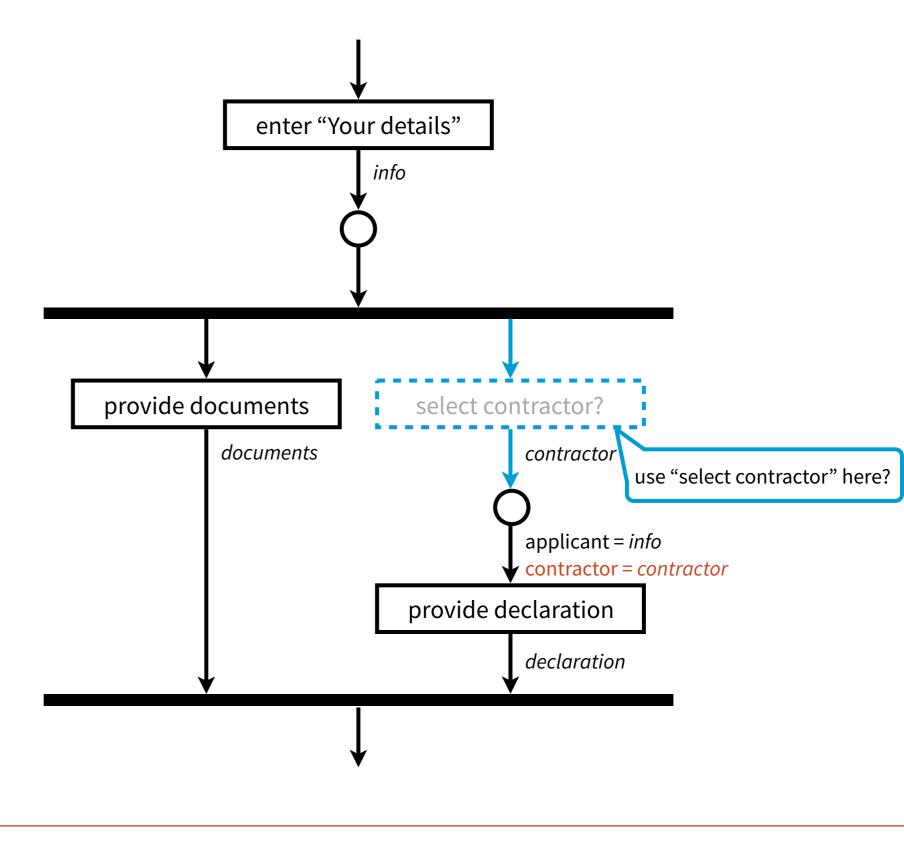
check

enter parallel uses -

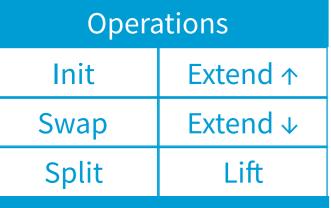
yields *info* : α

view uses *info*: α









Library

provide declaration

uses applicant: CitizenInfo, contractor: ContractorInfo yields declaration: ContractorDecl

provide documents

uses

yields documents: CompensationDocs

select contractor

uses -

yields contractor: ContractorInfo

submit request

uses documents: CompensationDocs, declaration: ContractorDecl

yields -

Basics

enter uses

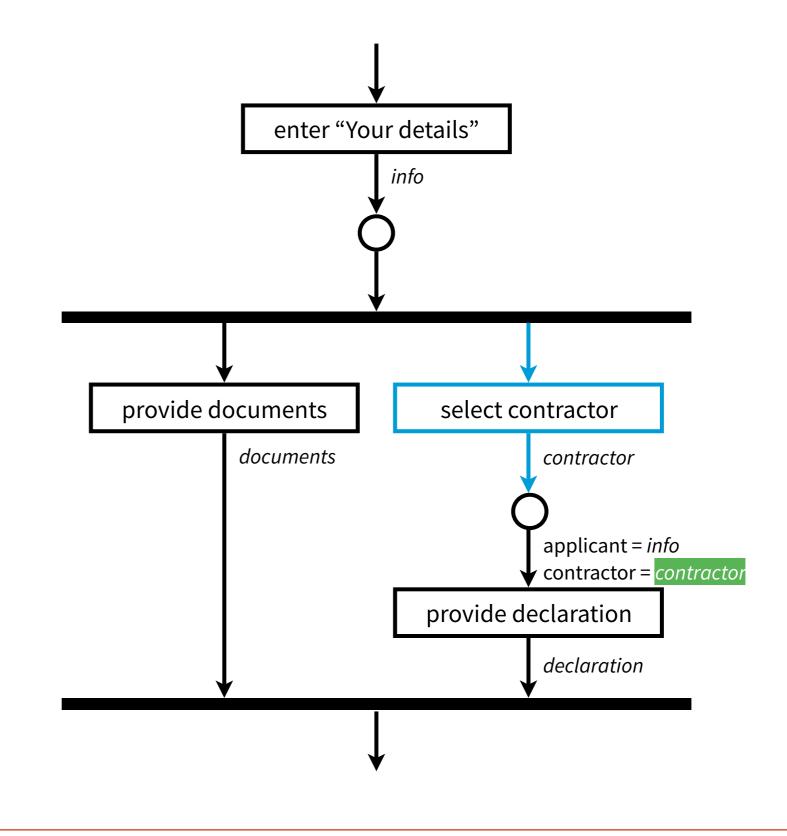
yields *info*:α

view

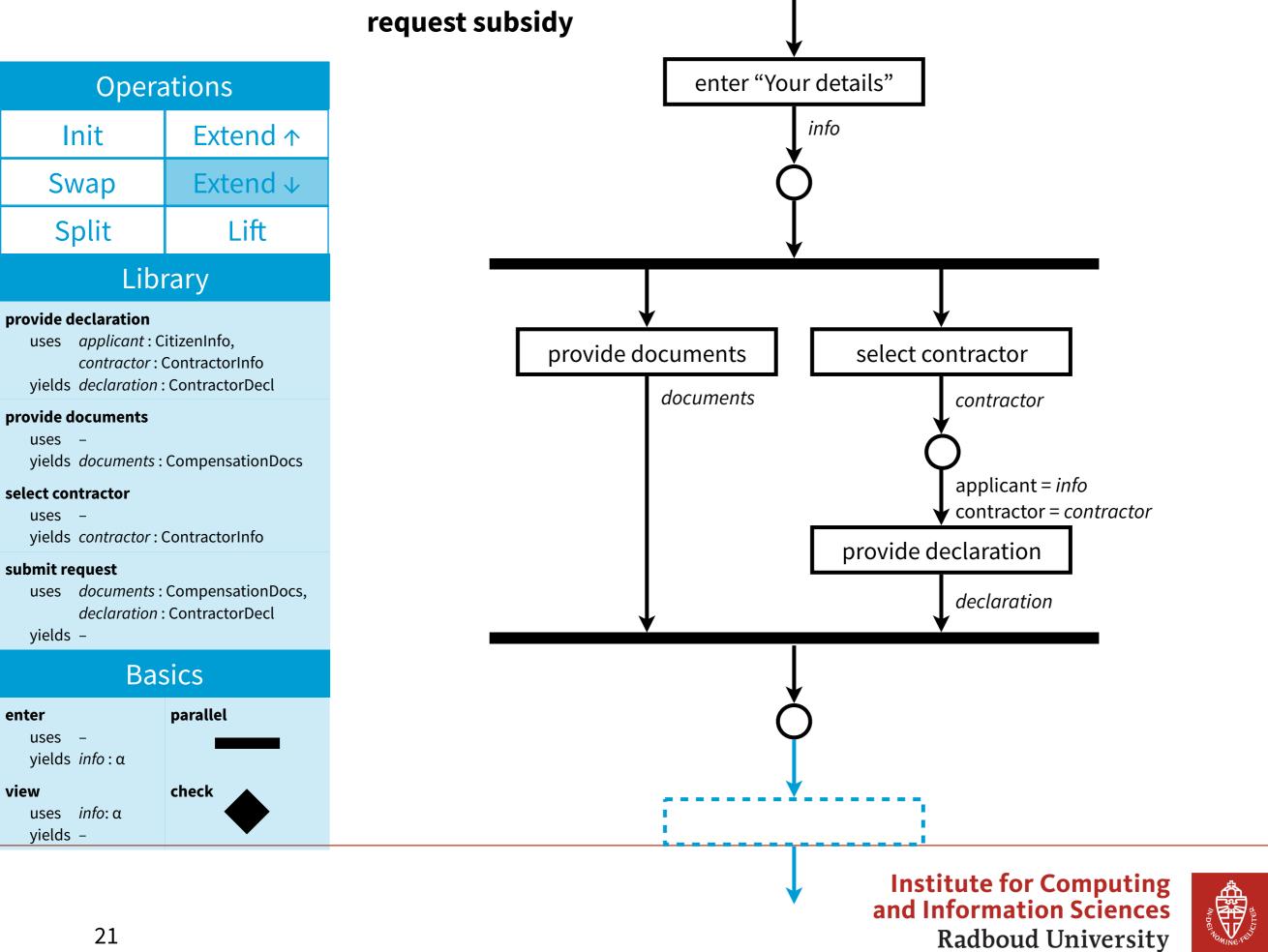
uses *info*: α yields -

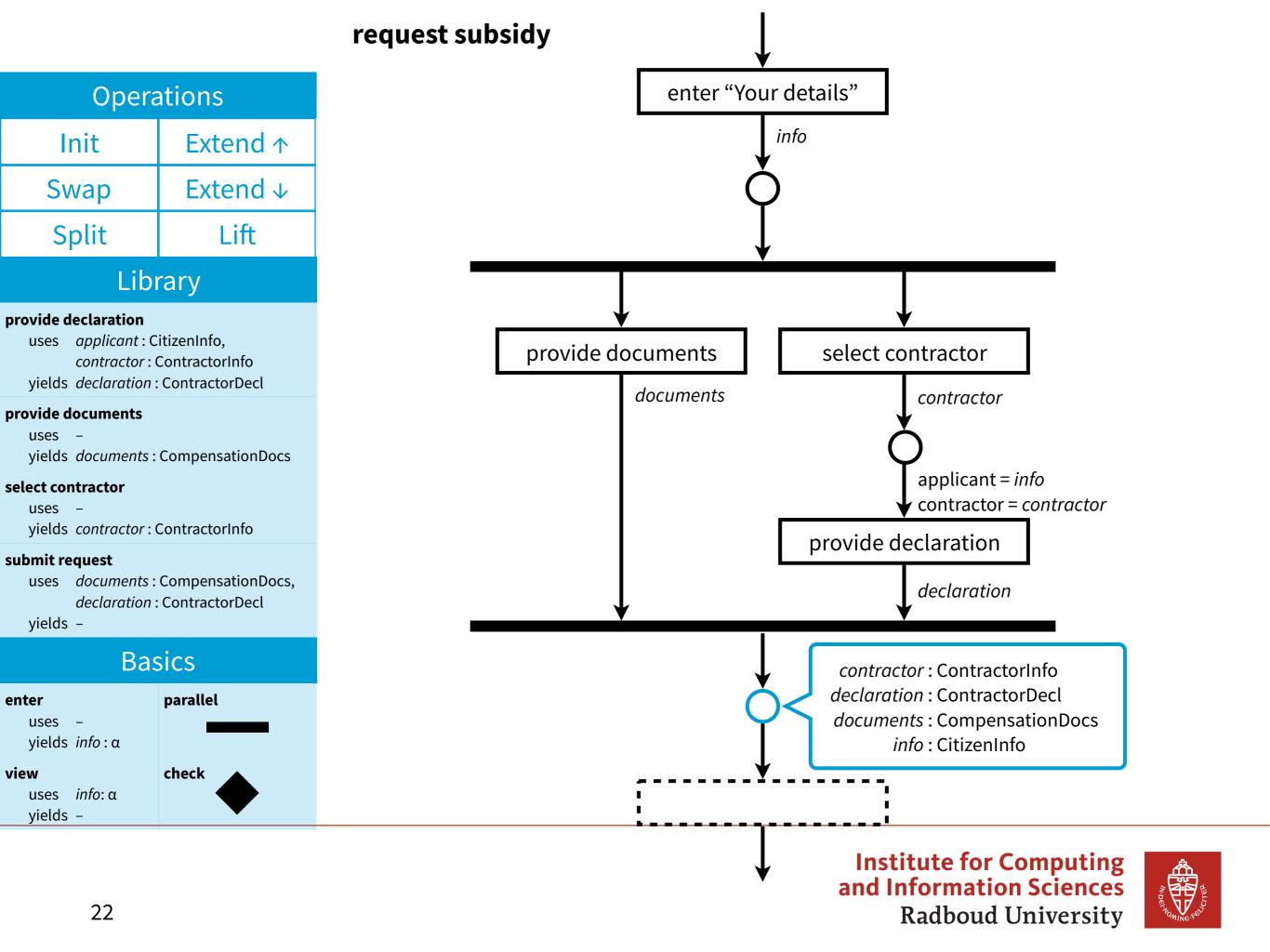
parallel

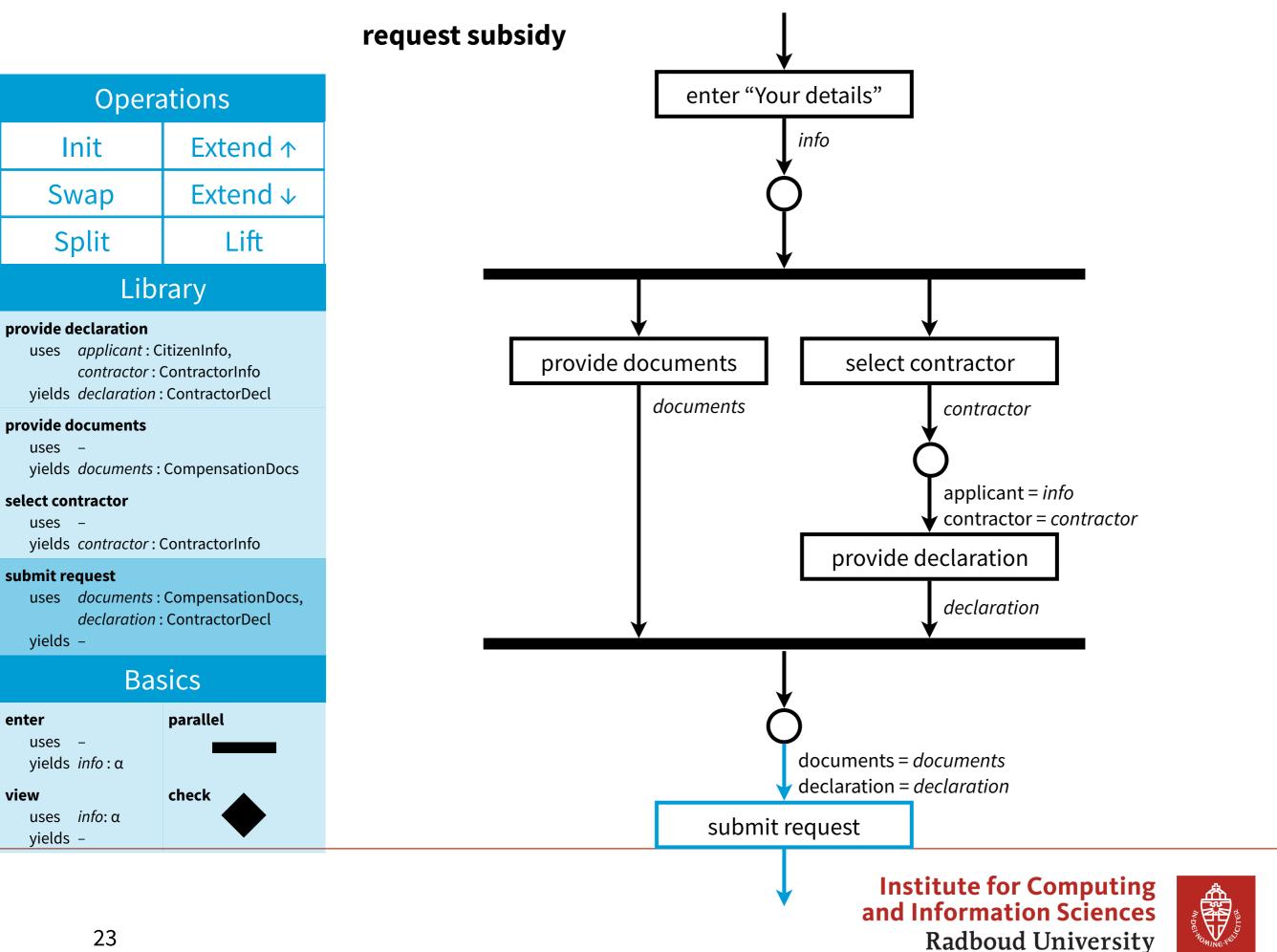


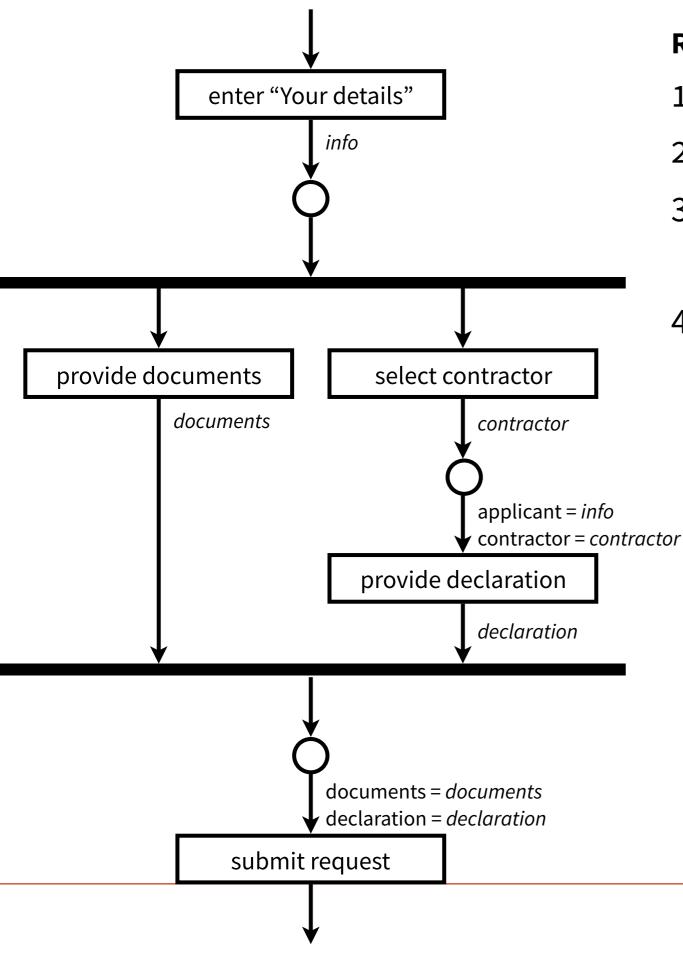






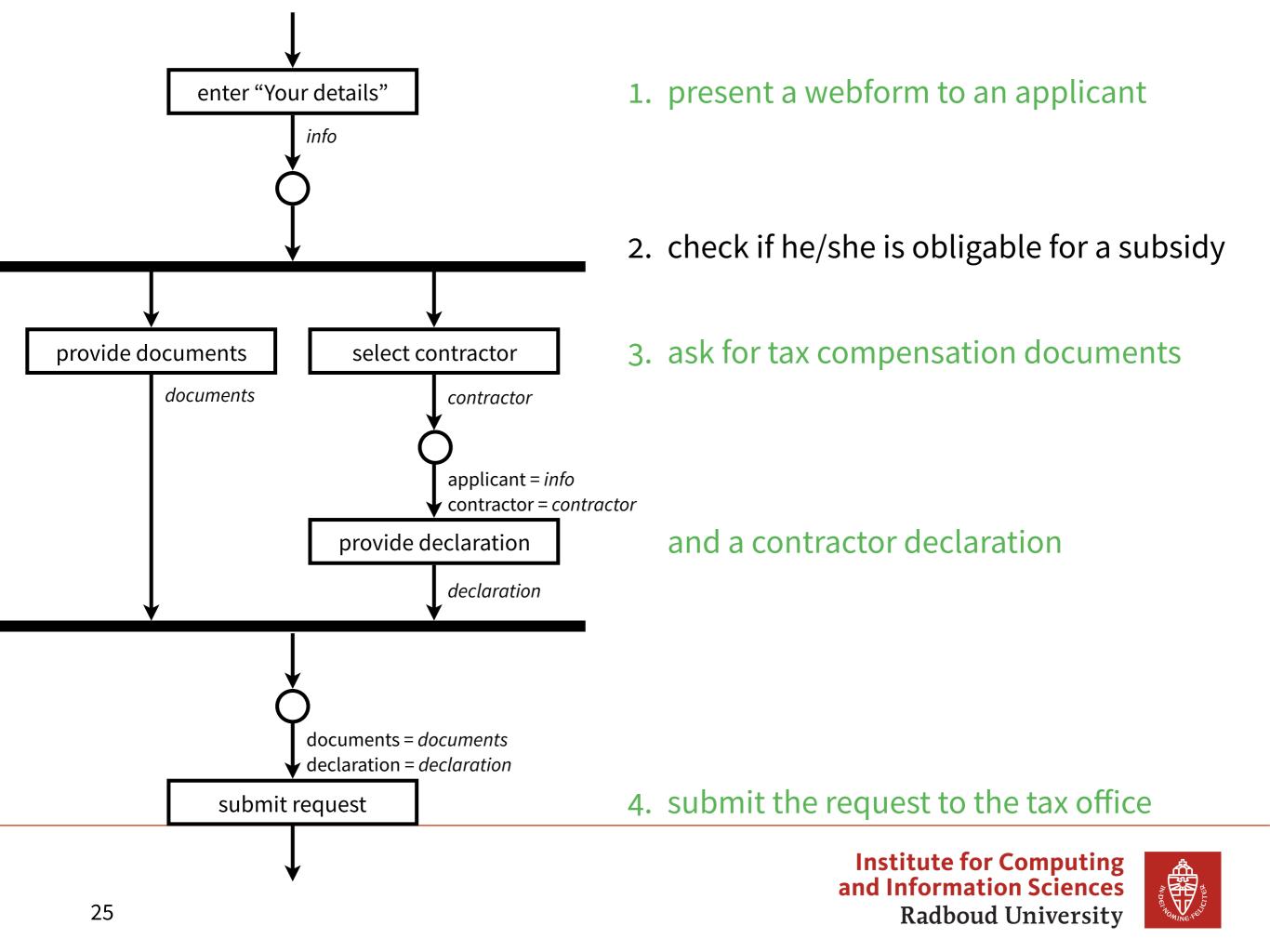


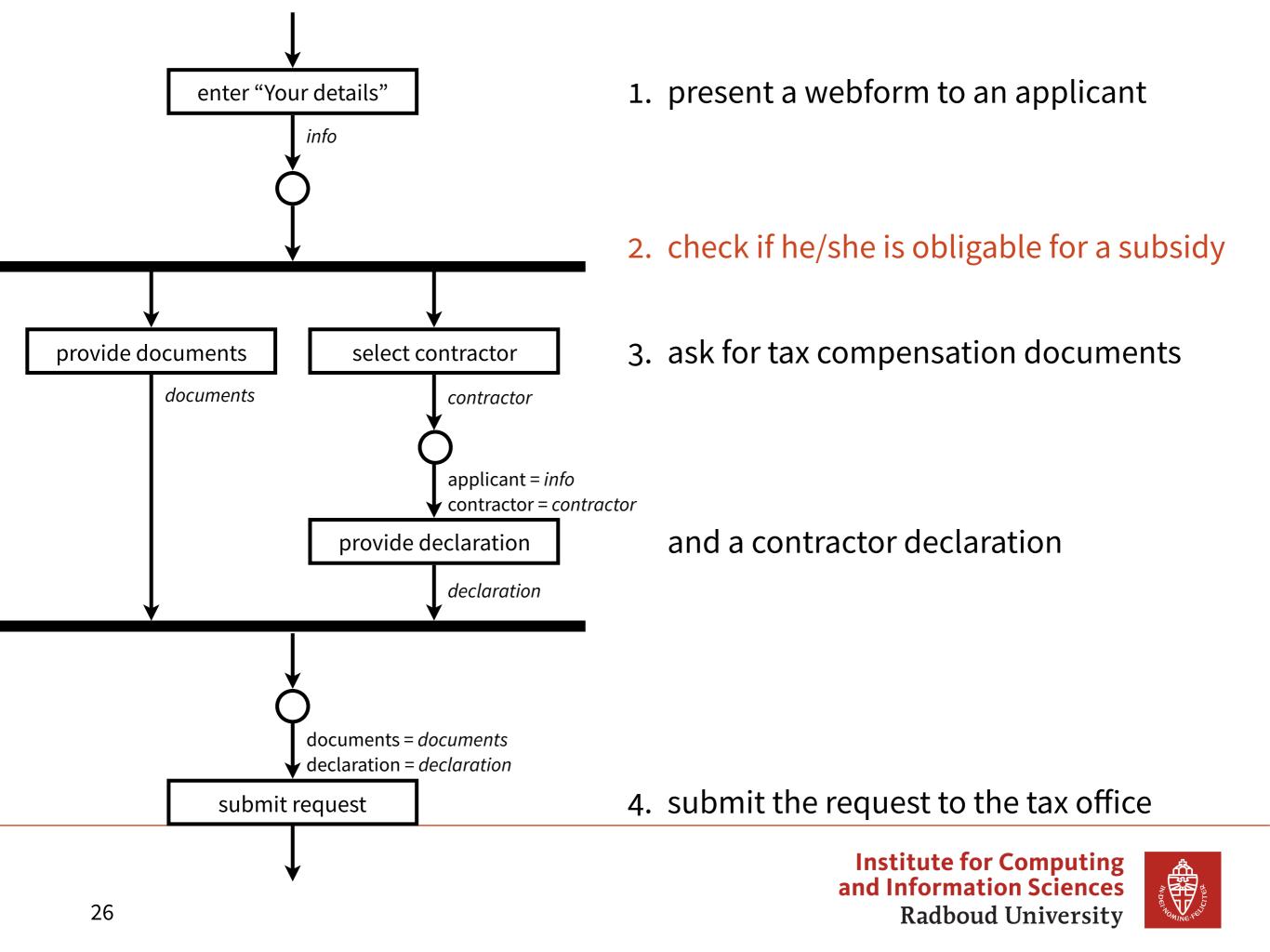


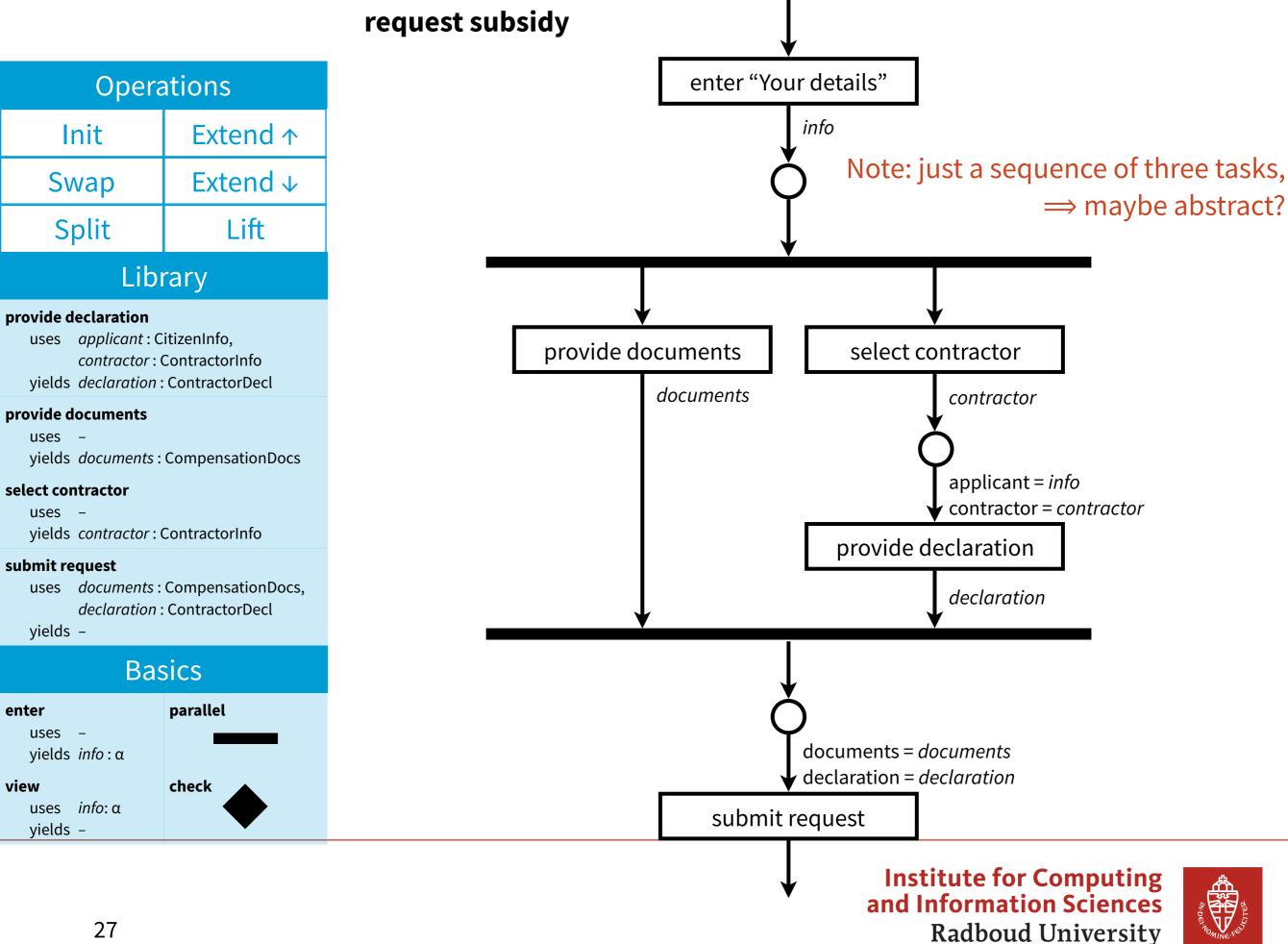


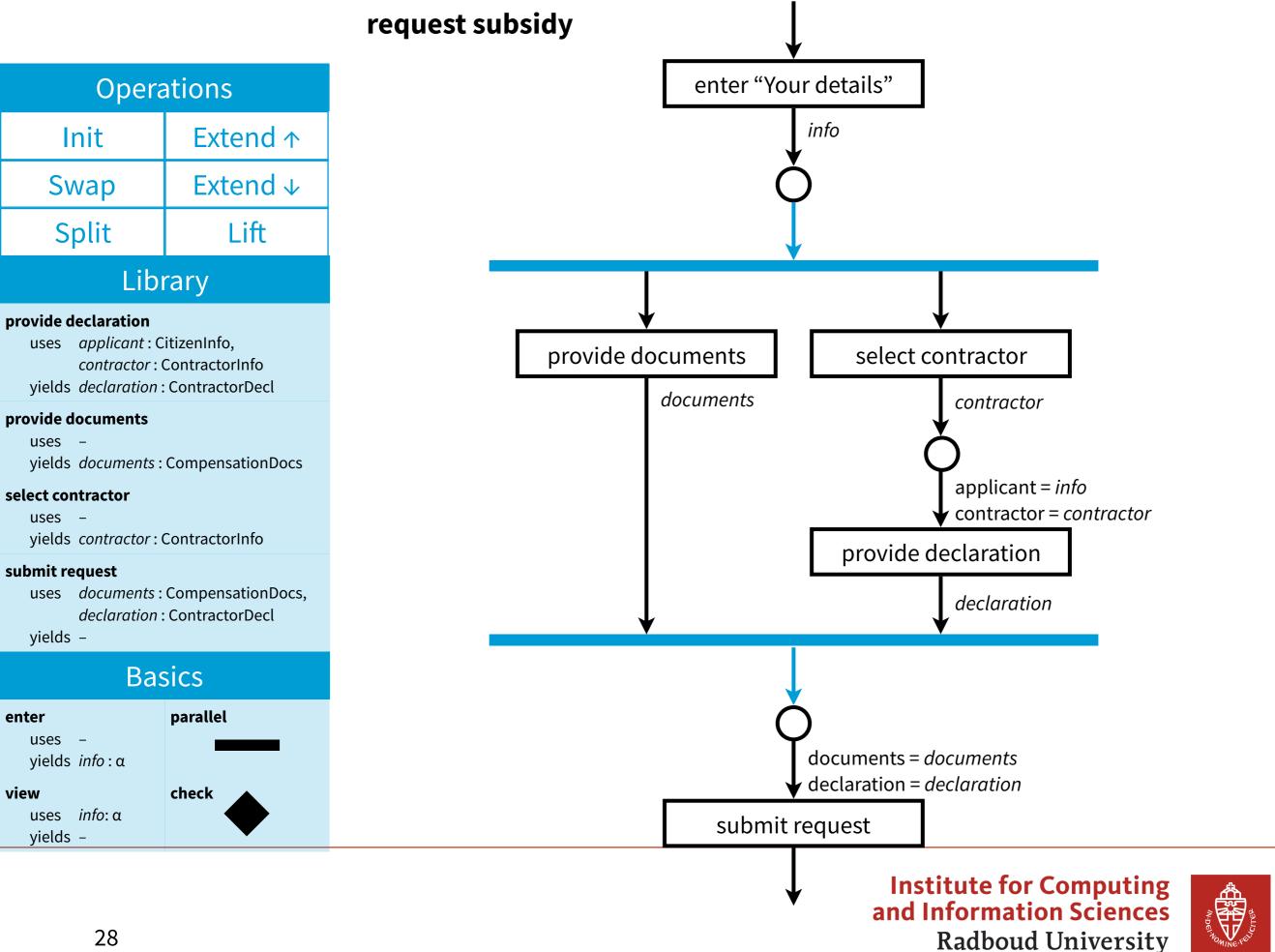
Request solar panel subsidy

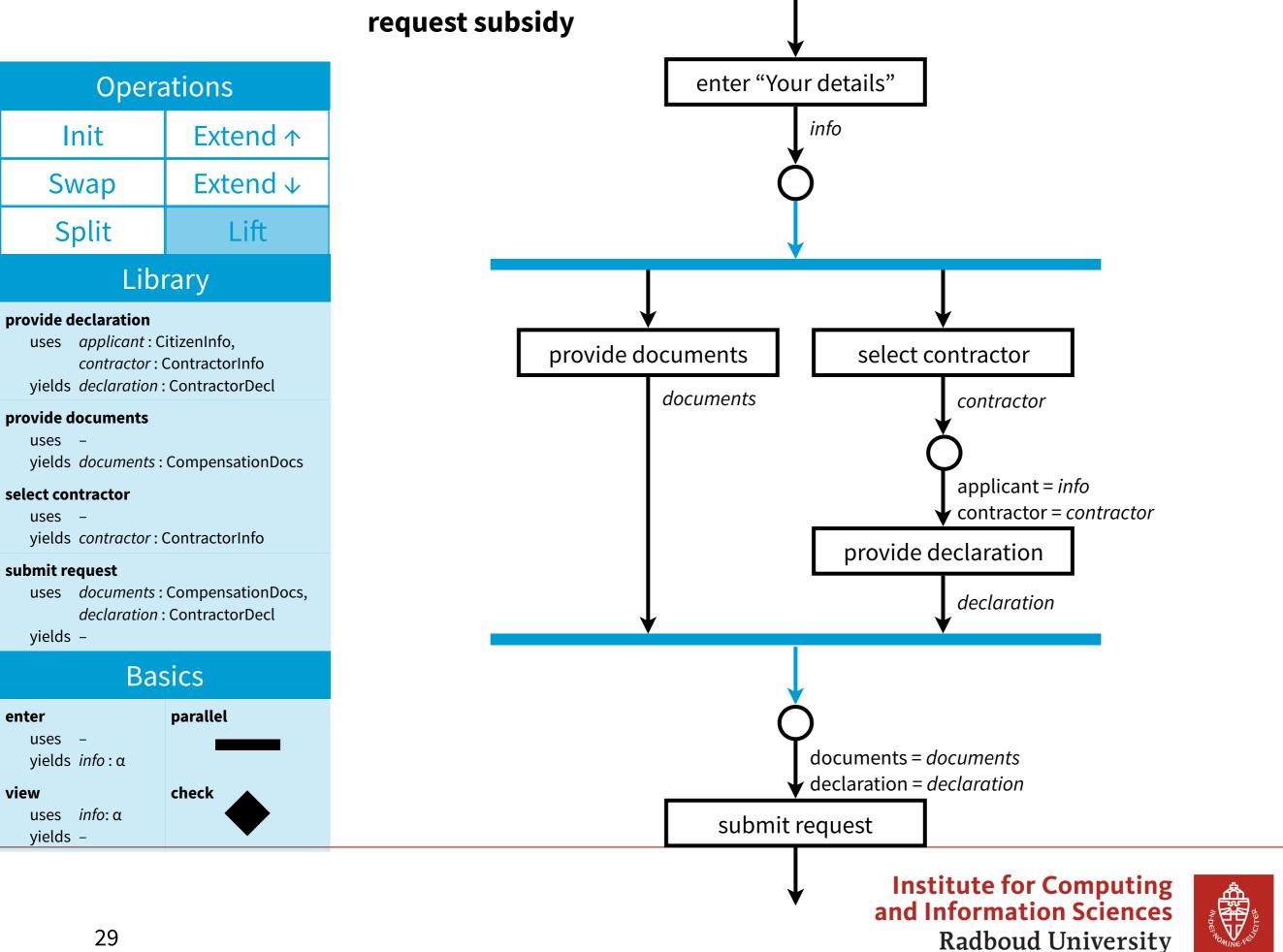
- 1. present a webform to an applicant
- 2. check if he/she is obligable for a subsidy
- 3. ask for tax compensation documents and a contractor declaration
- 4. submit the request to the tax office



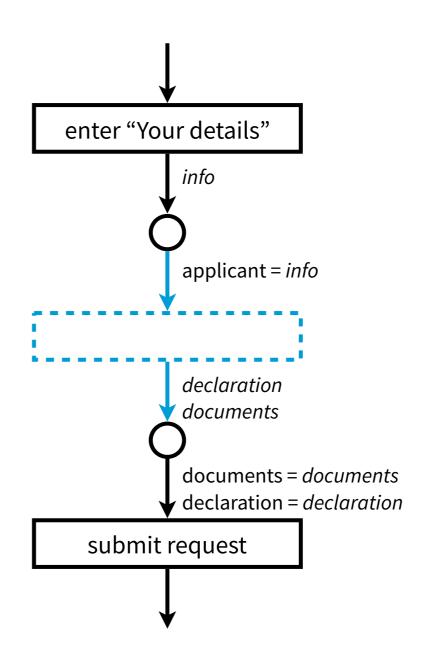








Operations	
Extend ↑	
Extend ↓	
Lift	
rary	
··· applicant → declaration, documents	
provide declaration applicant, contractor → declaration provide documents - → documents select contractor - → contractor documents, declaration → -	
Basics	
check	





Operations	
Init	Extend ↑
Swap	Extend ↓
Split	Lift
Library	

obtain declarations

 $applicant \rightarrow declaration, documents$

provide declaration

 $applicant, contractor \rightarrow declaration$

provide documents

 $- \rightarrow documents$

select contractor

 $- \longrightarrow contractor$

submit request

documents, declaration \rightarrow -

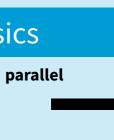
Basics

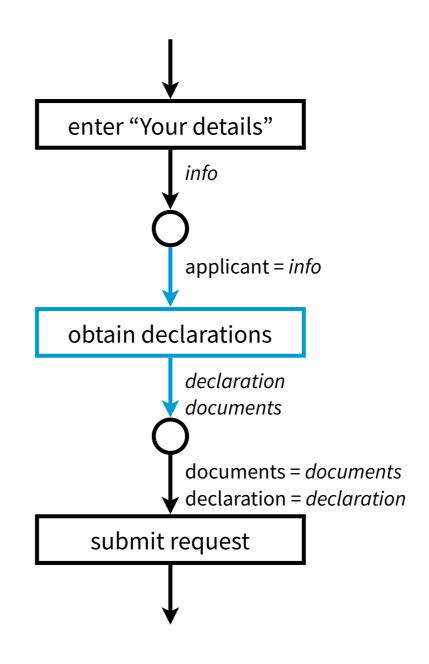
enter uses –

yields *info*:α

view uses *info*: α

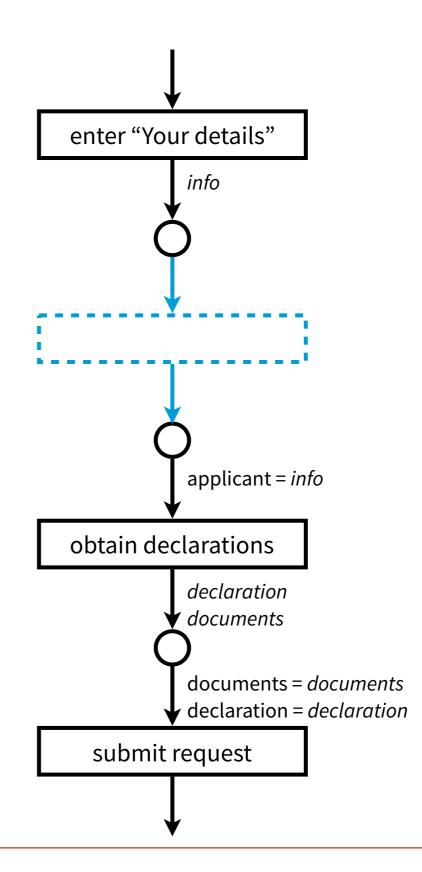
uses *into*: α yields –







Operations		
Init	Extend ↑	
Swap	Extend ↓	
Split	Lift	
Library		
<pre>obtain declarations applicant → declaration, documents provide declaration applicant, contractor → declaration provide documents - → documents select contractor - → contractor submit request documents, declaration → -</pre>		
Basics		
enter uses - yields info: α	parallel	
uses <i>info</i> : α yields –	CHECK	





Operations		
Init	Extend ↑	
Swap	Extend ↓	
Split	Lift	

Library

obtain declarations

 $applicant \rightarrow declaration, documents$

provide declaration

applicant, contractor \rightarrow declaration

provide documents

 $- \rightarrow documents$

select contractor

 $- \longrightarrow contractor$

submit request

documents, declaration \rightarrow -

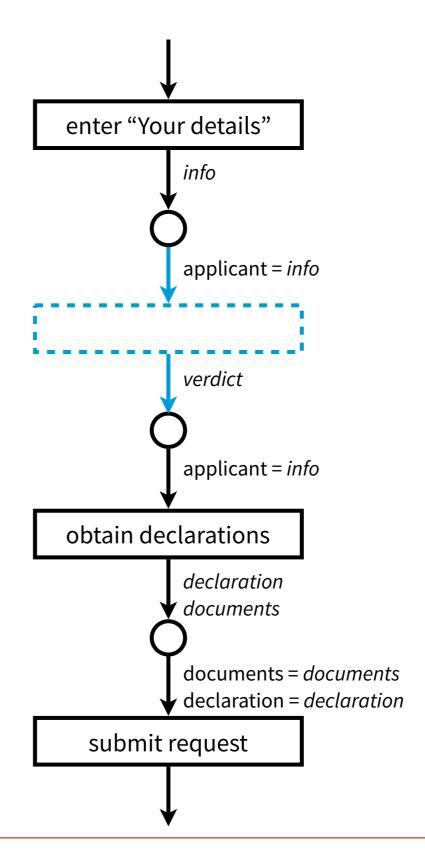
Basics

enter uses

yields *info*:α

view uses *info*: α







Operations		
Init	Extend ↑	
Swap	Extend ↓	
Split	Lift	
Library		

check conditions

obtain declarations

 $applicant \rightarrow declaration, documents$

provide declaration

 $applicant, contractor \rightarrow declaration$

provide documents

 $- \rightarrow documents$

select contractor

 $- \longrightarrow contractor$

submit request

documents, declaration \rightarrow -

Basics

parallel

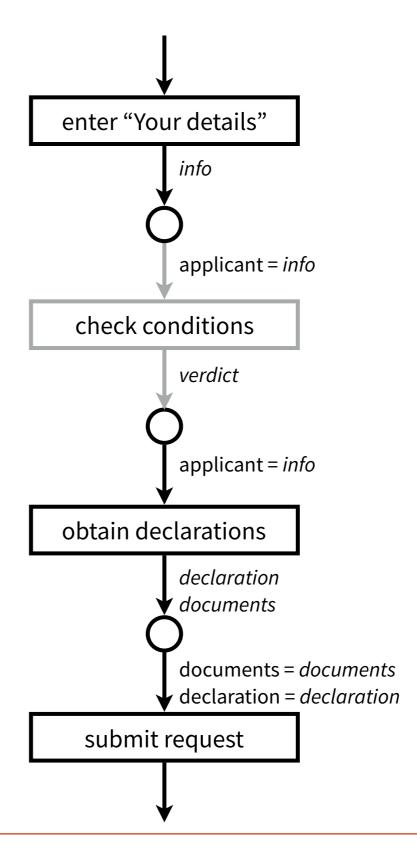
check

enter uses

yields *info*:α

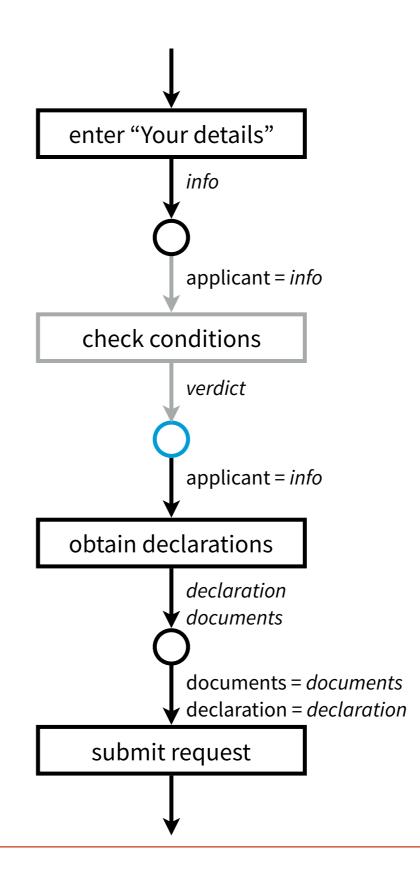
view

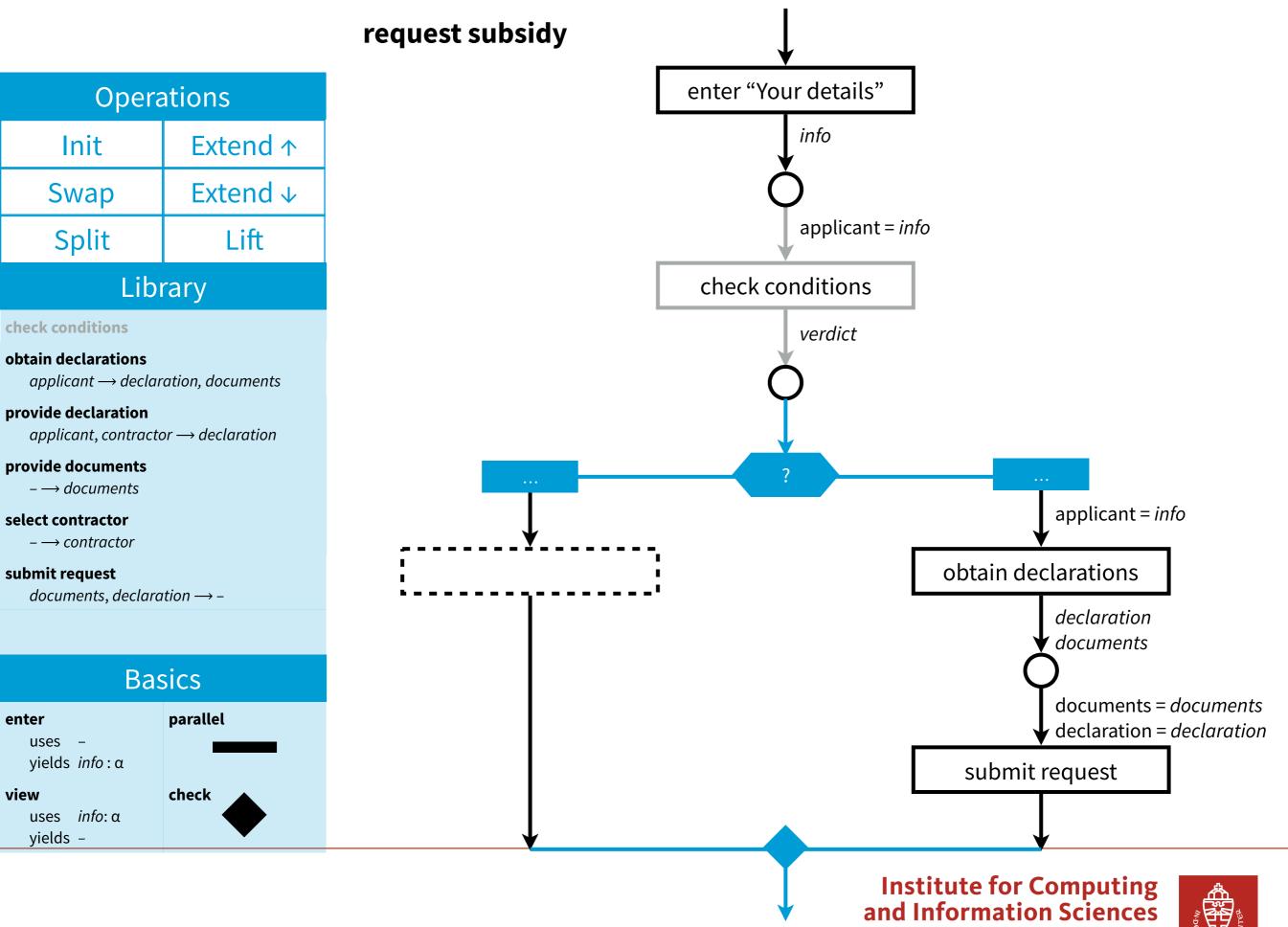
uses *info*: α yields -



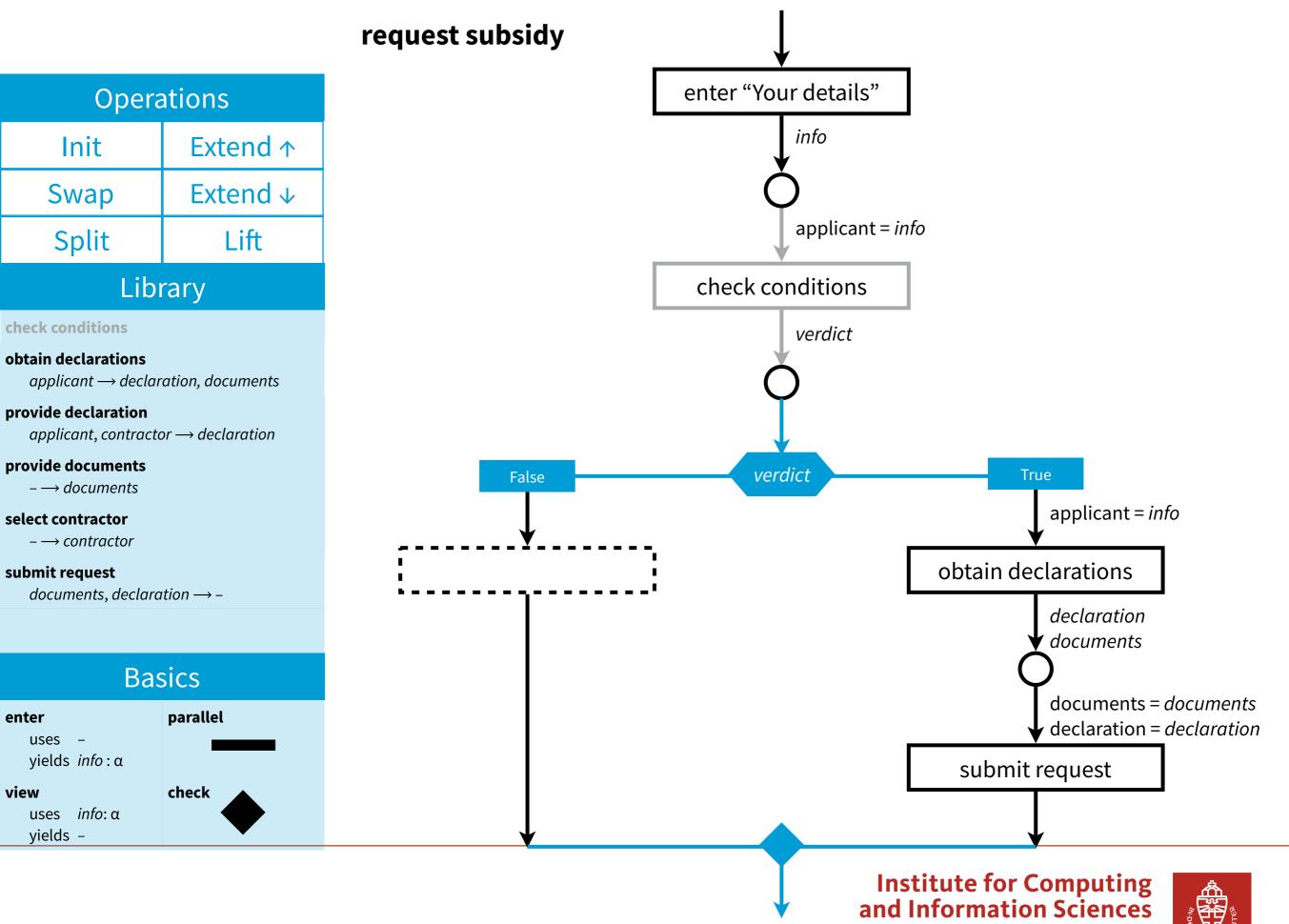


Operations			
Init	Extend ↑		
Swap	Extend ↓		
Split	Lift		
Library			
check conditions	check conditions		
obtain declarations applicant → declaration, documents			
provide declaration applicant, contractor → declaration			
provide documents – → documents			
select contractor - → contractor			
submit request documents, declaration → -			
Basics			
enter	parallel		
uses – yields <i>info</i> : α			
view	check 🔺		
uses <i>info</i> : α yields –			

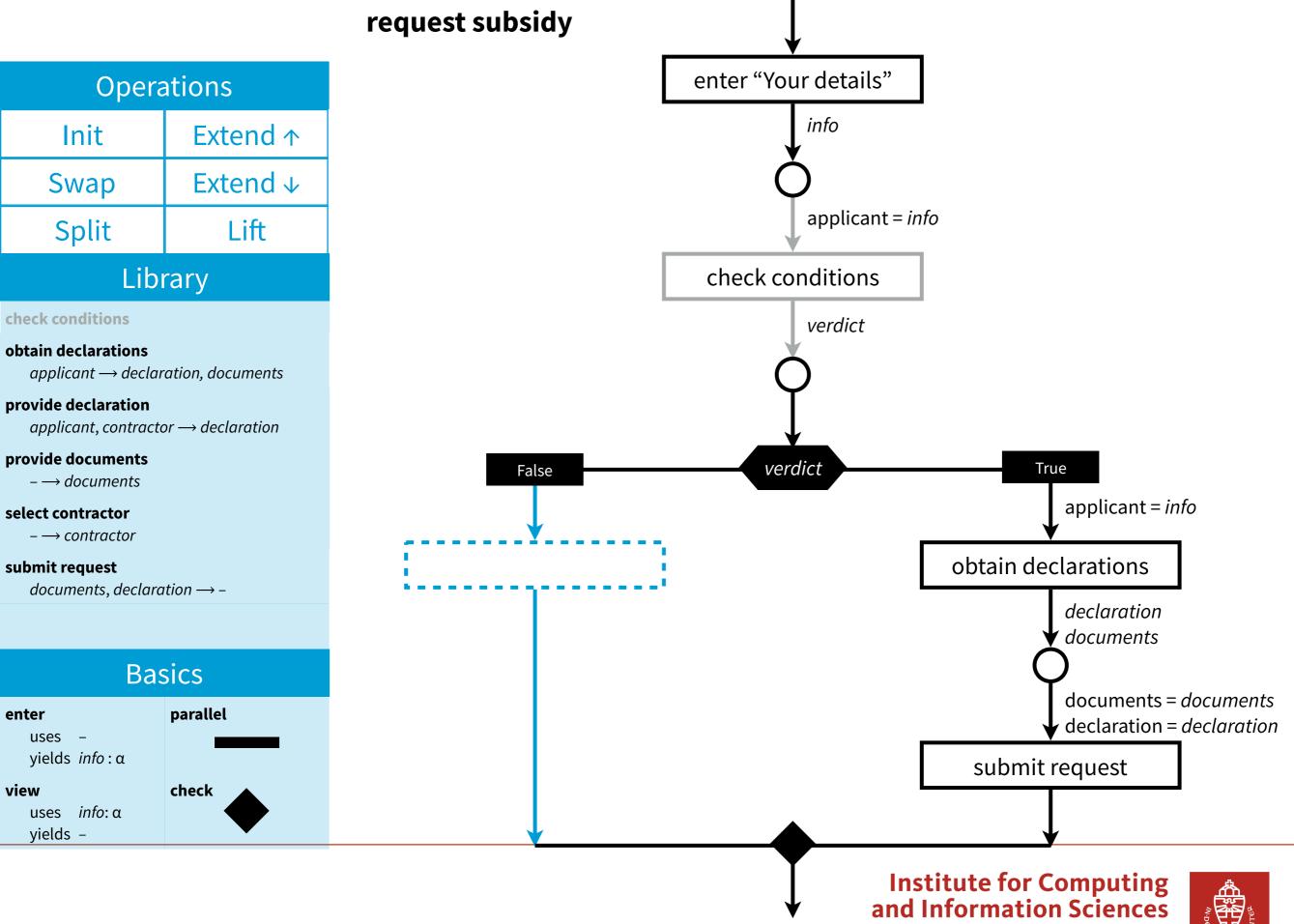




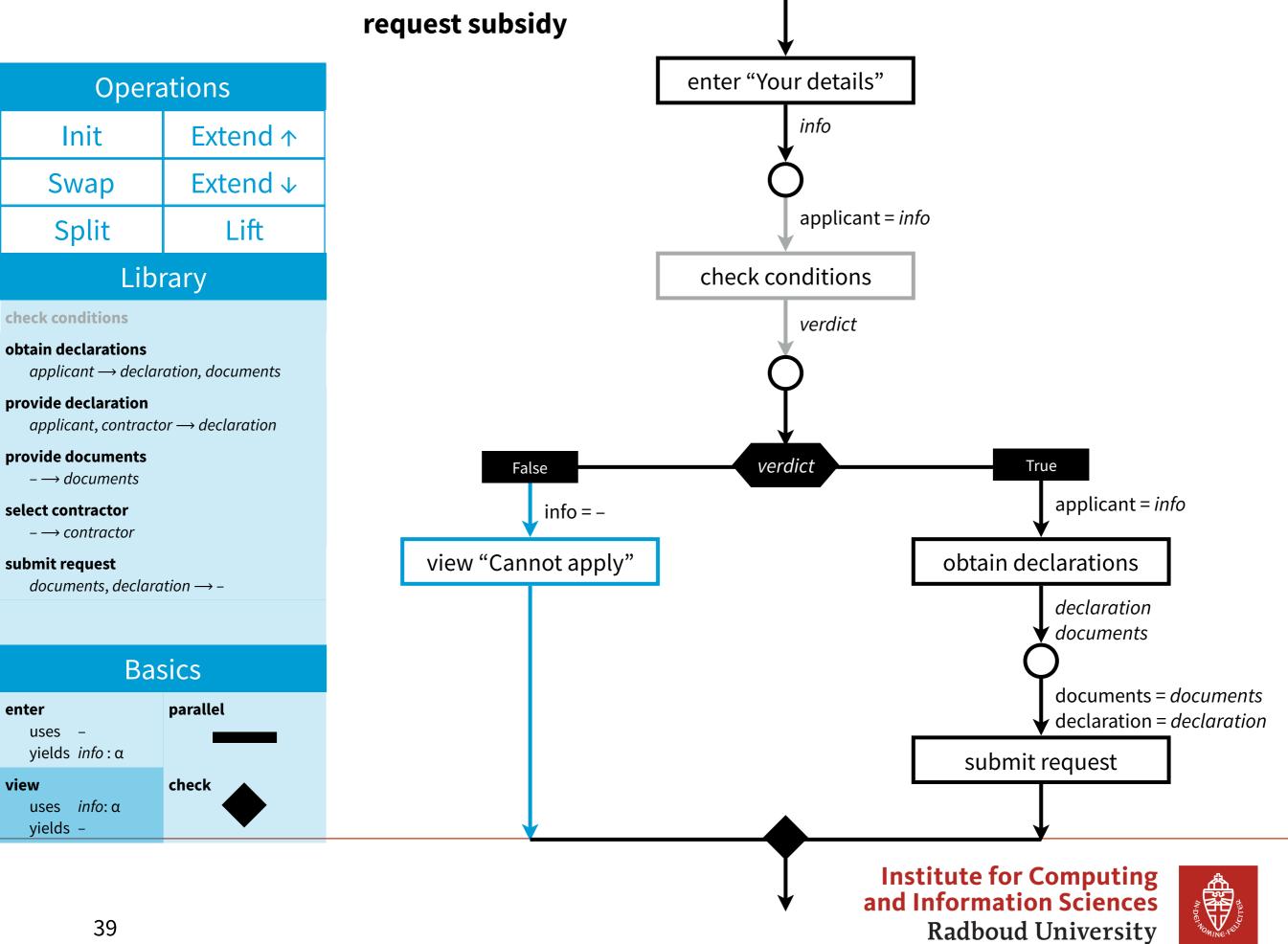
Radboud University

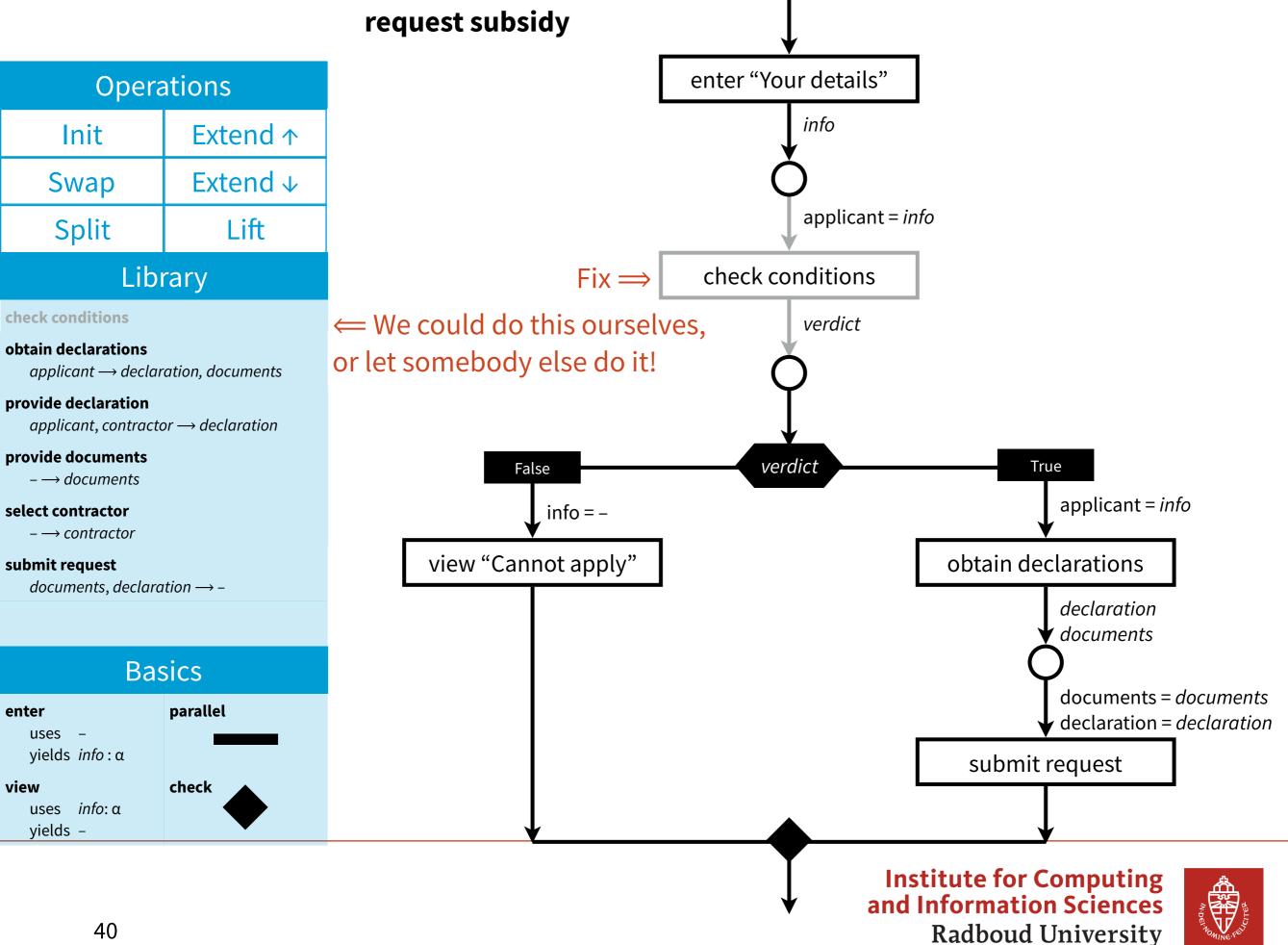


Radboud University



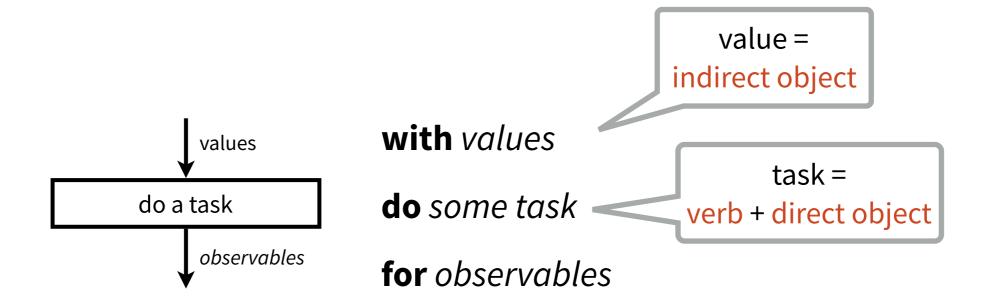
Radboud University





Textual Representation

Tasks

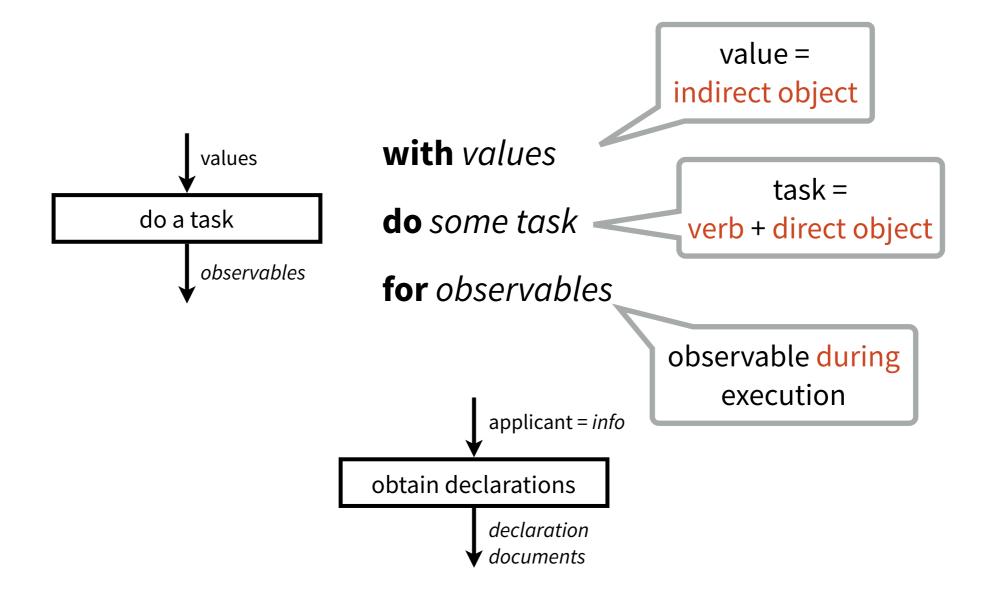


with a water hose do extinguish fire for success

with guns and canons do attack enemy for elimination

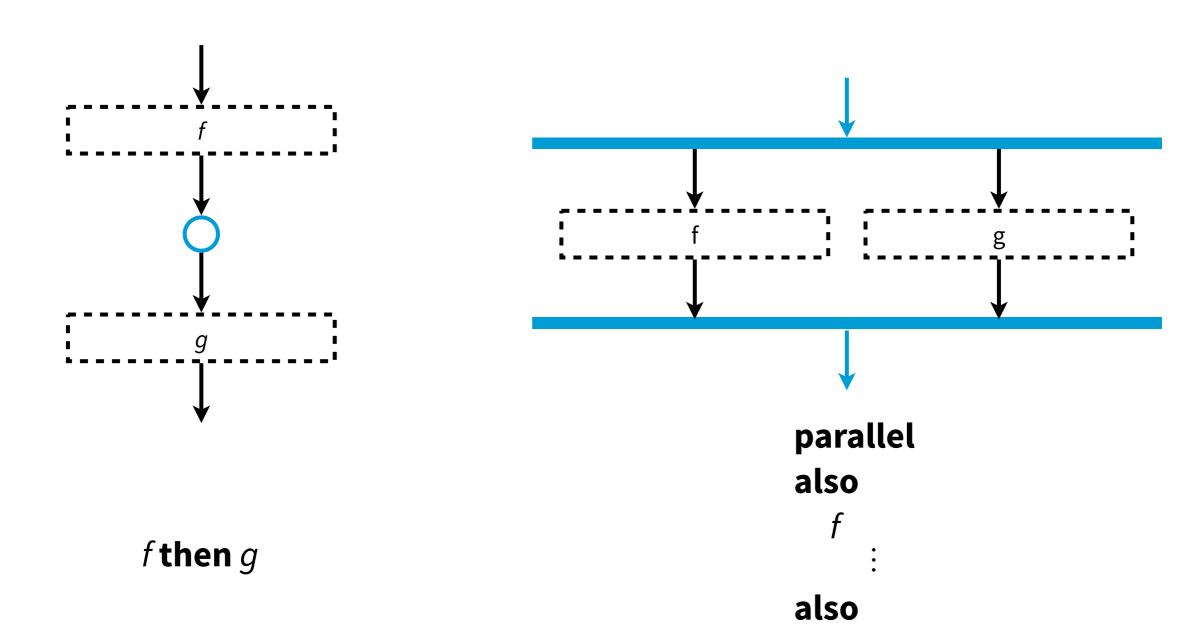
with applicant info do obtain declarations for declaration and documents

Tasks

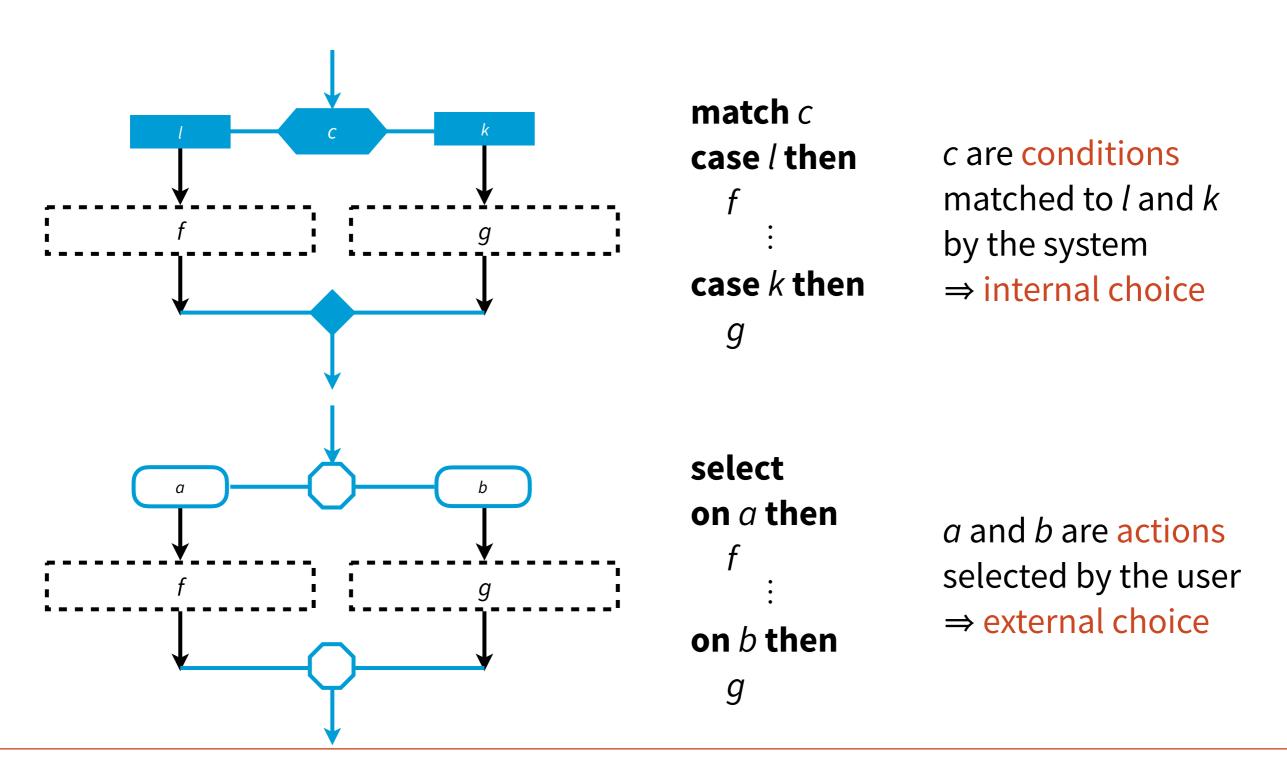


with applicant info do obtain declarations for declaration and documents

Connectives: sequence and parallel

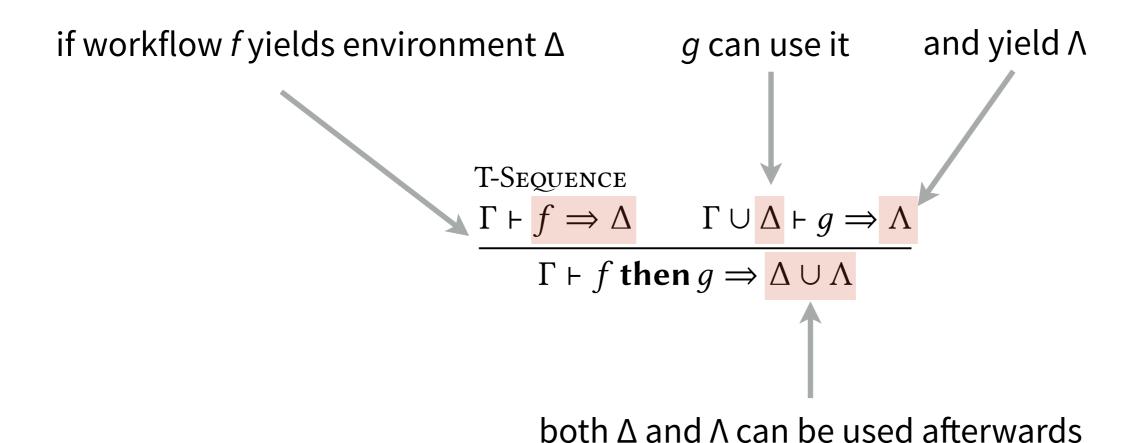


Connectives: choices



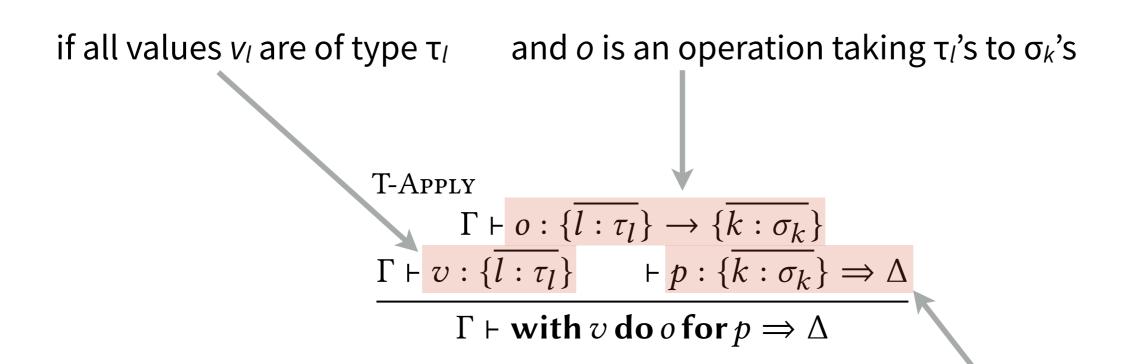
Type checking: connectives

Connectives make sure all resources are in scope



Type checking: tasks

Based on records with labeled values



pattern p binds values v_k of type σ_k in a new environment Δ

Compiling

- Clean as host language
- using monadic operations

$$\{ | \mathbf{with} \ v \ \mathbf{do} \ o \ \mathbf{for} \ p \} = \{ |o|\} \ \{ |v|\} >>= \setminus \{ |p|\} -> \}$$

• and built-in *iTask* operators

Wrap up

Conclusion

What did we see?

- One language (DSL, subset of *iTasks*)
- Two representations:
 - Visual
 - Textual

How did we use it?

- Visual design tool
- Model tasks and workflows
- Modular and assistive
- Supported by a type system
- Compilable to iTasks

