CSE203 Object-Oriented Analysis and Design

03. Requirements Change

I Love You, You're Perfect... Now Change!

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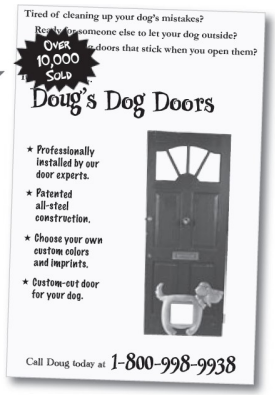
You're a hero!

Doug's making some serious bucks with your code.



The door you built for Todd and Gina was a huge success, and now Doug's selling it to customers all across the world.

Todd and Gina, happily interrupting your vacation.

But then came a phone call...

You: Oh, has something gone wrong?

Todd and Gina: No, not at all. The door works just like you said it would.

You: But there must be a problem, right? Is the door not closing quickly enough? Is the button on the remote not functioning?

Todd and Gina: No, really... it's working just as well as the day you installed it and showed everything to us.

You: Is Fido not barking to be let out anymore? Oh, have you checked the batteries in the remote?

Todd and Gina: No, we swear, the door is great. We just have a few ideas about some changes we'd like you to make...

You: But if everything is working, then what's the problem?

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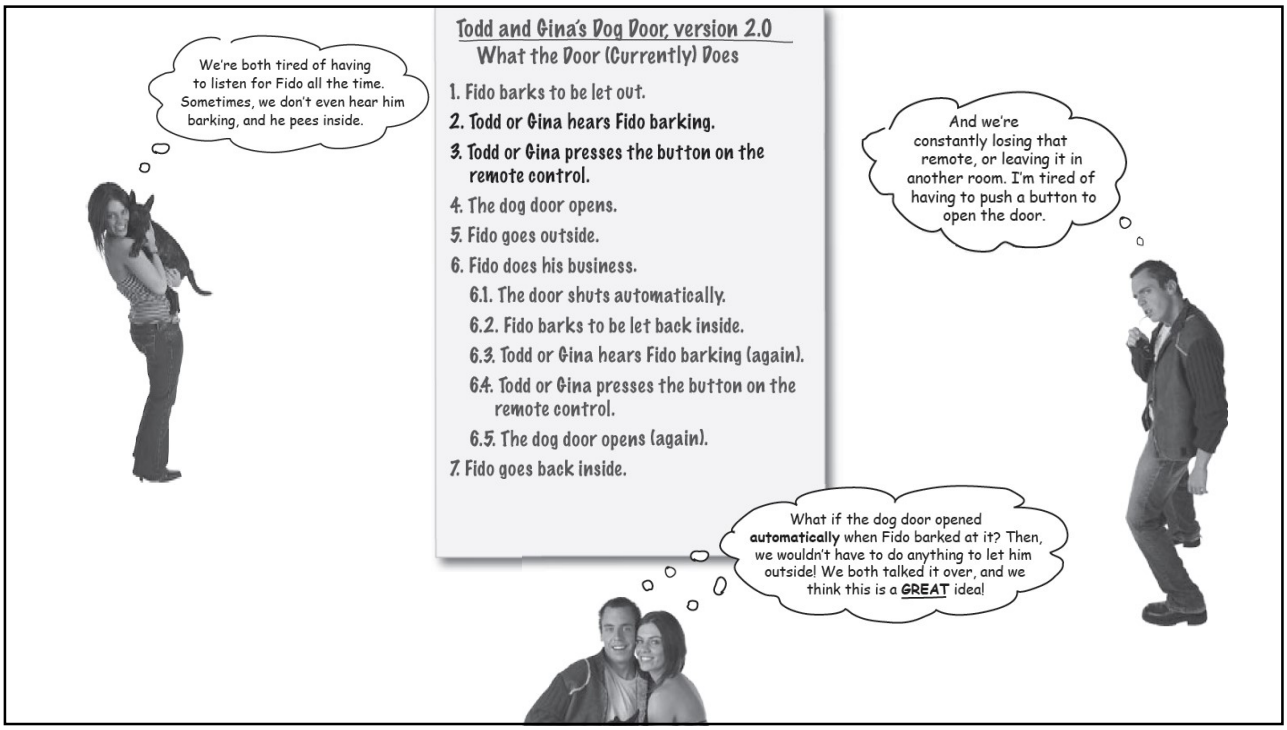

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Back to the drawing board

We need to figure out a way to open the door whenever Fido barks. Let's start out by...

The customer is always right

Even when requirements change, you've got to be ready to update your application and make sure it works like your customers expect. When your customer has a new need, it's up to you to change your applications to meet those new needs.

Doug loves it when this happens, since he gets to charge Todd and Gina for the changes you make.

BRAIN POWER

You've just discovered the one constant in software analysis and design. What do you think that constant is?

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The one constant in software development

No matter where you work, what you're building, or what language you programming in, what's one true constant that will be always with you?

No matter how well you design an application, over time an application must grow and change or it will die.

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Sharpen your pencil

Requirements change all the time... sometimes in the middle of a project, and sometimes when you think everything is complete. Write down some reasons that the requirements might change in the applications you currently are working on.

My customer decided that they wanted the application to work differently.

My boss thinks my application would be better as a web application than a desktop app.

Requirements always change. If you've got good use cases, though, you can usually change your software quickly to adjust to those new requirements.

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Exercise - add bark recognition

1. Fido barks to be let out.

2. Todd or Gina hears Fido barking

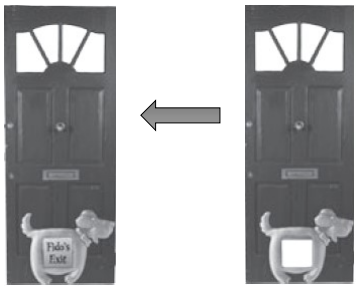
3. Todd or Gina presses the remote button.

4. The dog door opens.

5. Fido goes outside.

6. Fido does his business.

...or to the alternate path



8. The door shots automatically. 7. Fido goes back inside.

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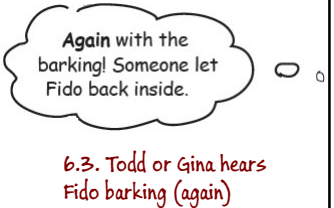
alternate path

Update the diagram, and add an alternate path where Fido barks, Doug's new bark recognizer hears Fido, and the dog door automatically opens. The remote control should still work, too, so don't remove anything from the diagram; just add another path where Fido's barking opens the door.

6. Fido does his business

6.1. The door shuts automatically

6.2. Fido barks to let back inside



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6.4. Todd or Gina presses the button on the remote control

6.5. The dog door opens (again)

to main path

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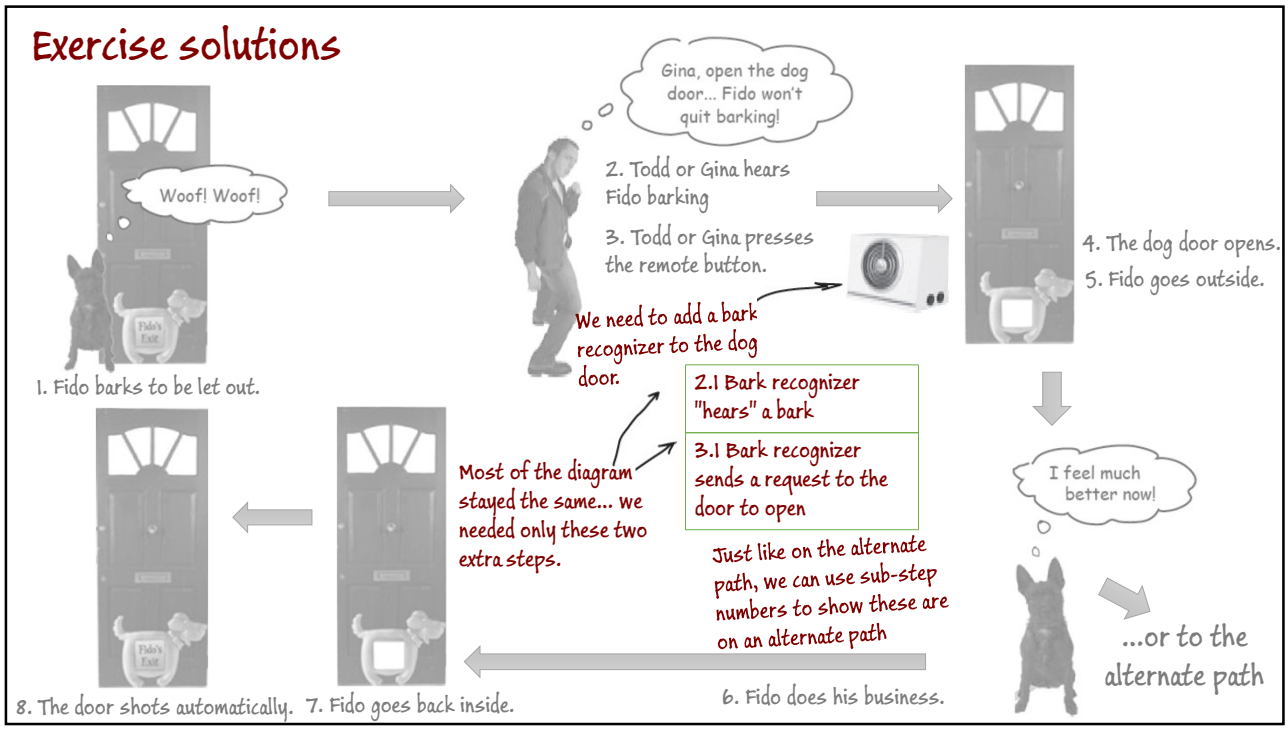
Exercise solutions
Woof! Woof!
1. Fido barks to be let out.
Gina, open the dog door... Fido won't quit barking!
2. Todd or Gina hears Fido barking
3. Todd or Gina presses the remote button.
4. The dog door opens.
5. Fido goes outside.
I feel much better now!
...or to the alternate path
6. Fido does his business.
Just like on the alternate path, we can use sub-step numbers to show these are on an alternate path
We need to add a bark recognizer to the dog door.
2.1 Bark recognizer "hears" a bark
3.1 Bark recognizer sends a request to the door to open
Most of the diagram stayed the same... we needed only these two extra steps.
7. Fido goes back inside.
8. The door shots automatically.

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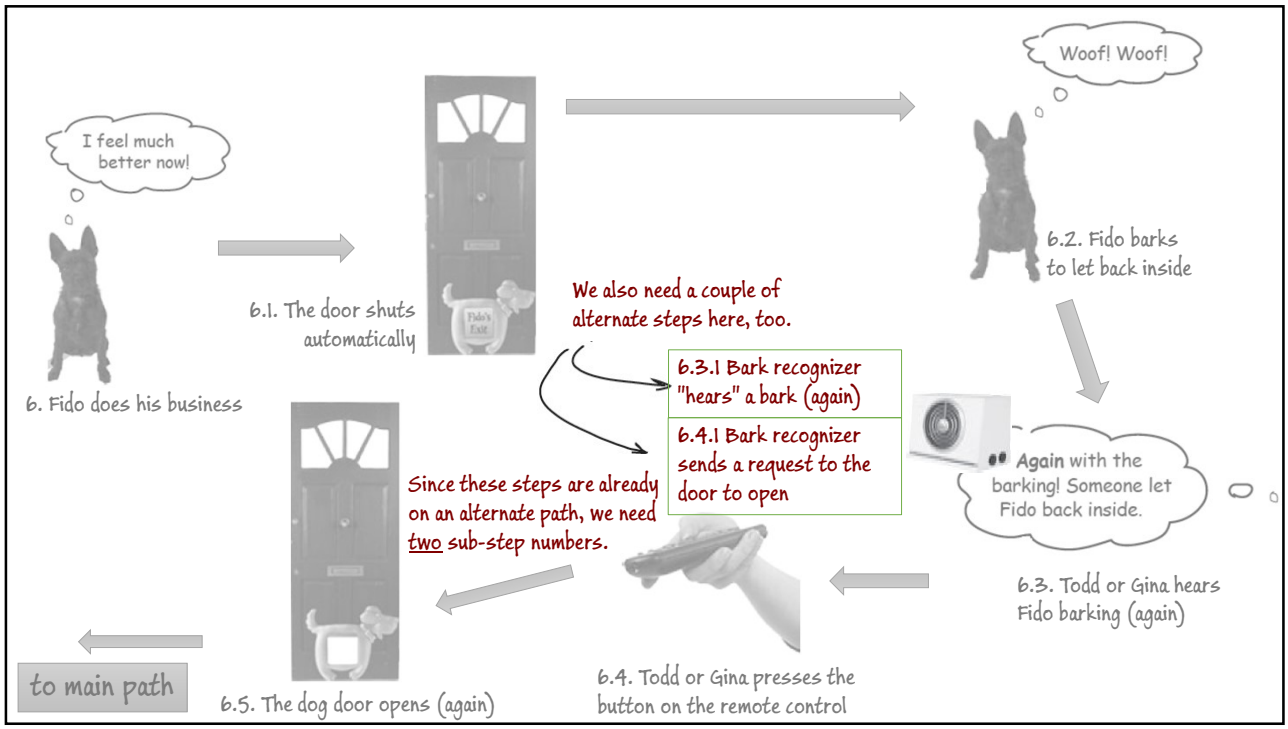
Woof! Woof!
6.2. Fido barks to let back inside
I feel much better now!
6. Fido does his business
6.1. The door shuts automatically
We also need a couple of alternate steps here, too.
6.3.1 Bark recognizer "hears" a bark (again)
6.4.1 Bark recognizer sends a request to the door to open
Again with the barking! Someone let Fido back inside.
6.3. Todd or Gina hears Fido barking (again)
Since these steps are already on an alternate path, we need two sub-step numbers.
6.4. Todd or Gina presses the button on the remote control
6.5. The dog door opens (again)
to main path

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Todd and Gina's Dog Door, version 2.1
What the Door Does

1. Fido barks to be let out.
2. Todd or Gina hears Fido barking.
   - 2.1. The bark recognizer "hears" a bark.
3. Todd or Gina presses the button on the remote control.
   - 3.1. The bark recognizer sends a request to the door to open.
4. The dog door opens.
5. Fido goes outside.
6. Fido does his business.
   - 6.1. The door shuts automatically.
   - 6.2. Fido barks to be let back inside.
   - 6.3. Todd or Gina hears Fido barking (again).
     - 6.3.1. The bark recognizer "hears" a bark (again).
   - 6.4. Todd or Gina presses the button on the remote control.
     - 6.4.1. The bark recognizer sends a request to the door to open.
   - 6.5. The dog door opens (again).
7. Fido goes back inside.
8. The door shuts automatically.

There are now alternate steps for both #2 and #3.

Even the alternate steps now have alternate steps.

These are listed as sub-steps, but they really are providing a completely different path through the use case.

These sub-steps provide an additional set of steps that can be followed...

...but these sub-steps are really a different way to work through the use case.

Optional Path?
Alternate Path?
Who can tell?

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Todd and Gina's Dog Door, version 2.1
What the Door Does

1. Fido barks to be let out.
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7. Fido goes back inside.
8. The door shuts automatically.

In the new use case, we really want to say that either Step 2 or Step 2.1 happens...

...and then either Step 3 or Step 3.1 happens.

Here, either Step 6.3 or 6.3.1 happens...

...and then either 6.4 or 6.4.1 happens.

Do you see what Gerald is talking about? Todd and Gina's big idea was that they wouldn't have to listen for Fido's barking anymore.

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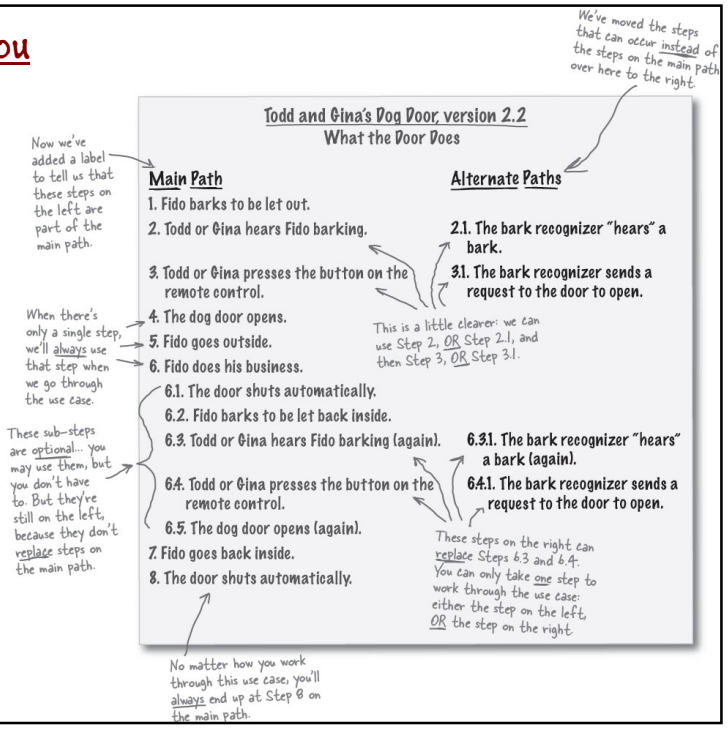
Use cases have to make sense to you

If a use case is confusing to you, *you can simply rewrite it*. There are tons of different ways that people write use cases, but the important thing is that it makes sense to you, your team, and the people you have to explain it to.



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Now the steps that involve the bark recognizer are on the main path, instead of an alternate path.

Excellent idea!

The main path should be what you want to have happen most of the time. Since Todd and Gina probably want the bark recognizer to handle Fido more than they want to use the remote, let's put those steps on the main path:

Todd and Gina's Dog Door, version 2.3
What the Door Does

Main Path

1. Fido barks to be let out.
2. The bark recognizer "hears" a bark.
3. The bark recognizer sends a request to the door to open.
4. The dog door opens.
5. Fido goes outside.
6. Fido does his business.
   - 6.1. The door shuts automatically.
   - 6.2. Fido barks to be let back inside.
   - 6.3. The bark recognizer "hears" a bark (again).
   - 6.4. The bark recognizer sends a request to the door to open.
   - 6.5. The dog door opens (again).
7. Fido goes back inside.
8. The door shuts automatically.

Alternate Paths

2.1. Todd or Gina hears Fido barking.

3.1. Todd or Gina presses the button on the remote control.

Todd and Gina won't use the remote most of the time, so the steps related to the remote are better as an alternate path.

6.3.1. Todd or Gina hears Fido barking (again).

6.4.1. Todd or Gina presses the button on the remote control.

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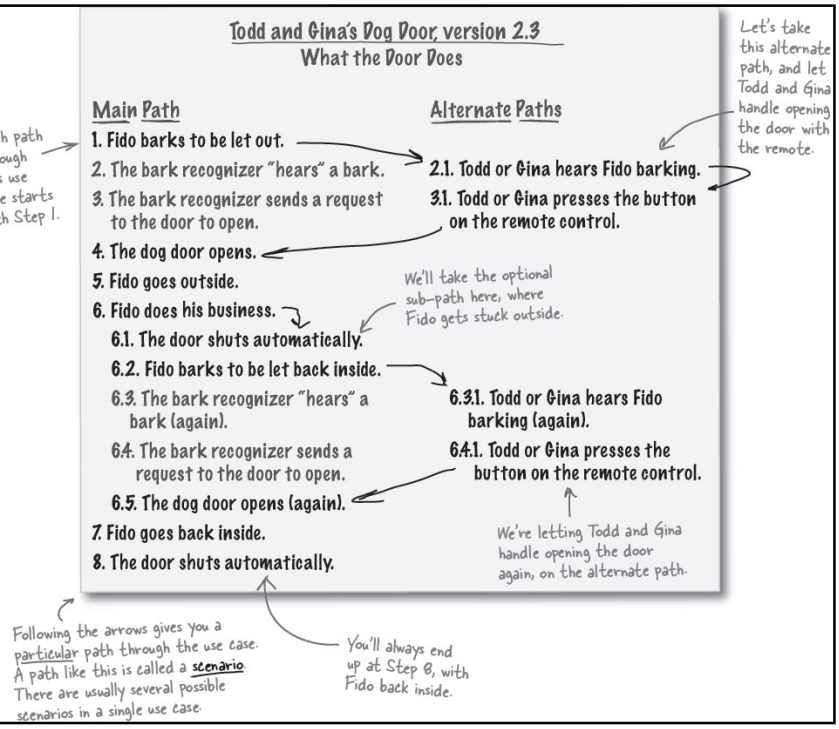
Start to finish: a single scenario

With all the alternate paths in the new use case, there are lots of different ways to get Fido outside to use the bathroom, and then back in again. Here's one particular path through the use case:

> A complete path through a use case, from the first step to the last, is called a scenario.

> Most use cases have several different scenarios, but they always share the same user goal.



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Sharpen your pencil

How many different ways can you work your way through Todd and Gina's use case? Remember, sometimes you have to take one of multiple alternate paths, and sometimes you can skip an alternate path altogether.

1. 1, 2.1, 3.1, 4, 5, 6, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3.1, 6.4.1, 6.5, 7, 8
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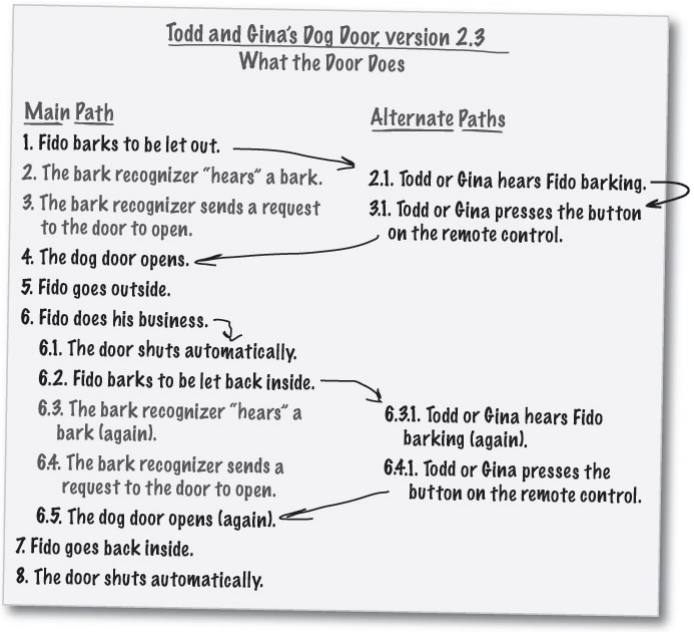
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____



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Sharpen your pencil answers

This is just the use case's main path.

These two don't take the optional alternate path where Fido gets stuck outside.

1. 1, 2.1, 3.1, 4, 5, 6, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3.1, 6.4.1, 6.5, 7, 8
2. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
3. 1, 2.1, 3.1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 — If you take Step 2.1, you'll always also take Step 3.1.
4. 1, 2.1, 3.1, 4, 5, 6, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 7, 8
5. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3.1, 6.4.1, 6.5, 7, 8
6. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 7, 8 — When you take 6.3.1, you'll also take Step 6.4.1.
7. < nothing more >
8. < nothing more >

Todd and Gina's Dog Door, version 2.3
What the Door Does

Main Path	Alternate Paths
1. Fido barks to be let out.	
2. The bark recognizer "hears" a bark.	2.1. Todd or Gina hears Fido barking.
3. The bark recognizer sends a request to the door to open.	3.1. Todd or Gina presses the button on the remote control.
4. The dog door opens.	
5. Fido goes outside.	
6. Fido does his business.	
6.1. The door shuts automatically.	
6.2. Fido barks to be let back inside.	
6.3. The bark recognizer "hears" a bark (again).	6.3.1. Todd or Gina hears Fido barking (again).
6.4. The bark recognizer sends a request to the door to open.	6.4.1. Todd or Gina presses the button on the remote control.
6.5. The dog door opens (again).	
7. Fido goes back inside.	
8. The door shuts automatically.	

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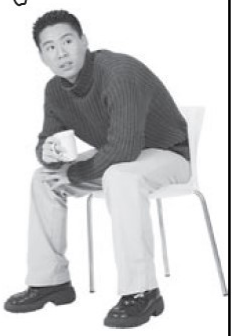
Let's get ready to code...

Todd and Gina's Dog Door, version 2.2
Requirements List

1. The dog door opening must be at least 12" tall.
2. A button on the remote control opens the dog door if the door is closed, and closes the dog door if the door is open.
3. Once the dog door has opened, it should close automatically if the door isn't already closed.

Go ahead and write in any additional requirements that you've discovered working through the scenarios for the new dog door

I think we should recheck our requirements list against the new use case. If Todd and Gina's requirements changed, then our requirements list might change too, right?



Any time you change your use case, you need to go back and check your requirements.

Remember, the whole point of a good use case is to get good requirements. If your use case changes, that may mean that your requirements change, too. Let's review the requirements and see if we need to add anything to them.

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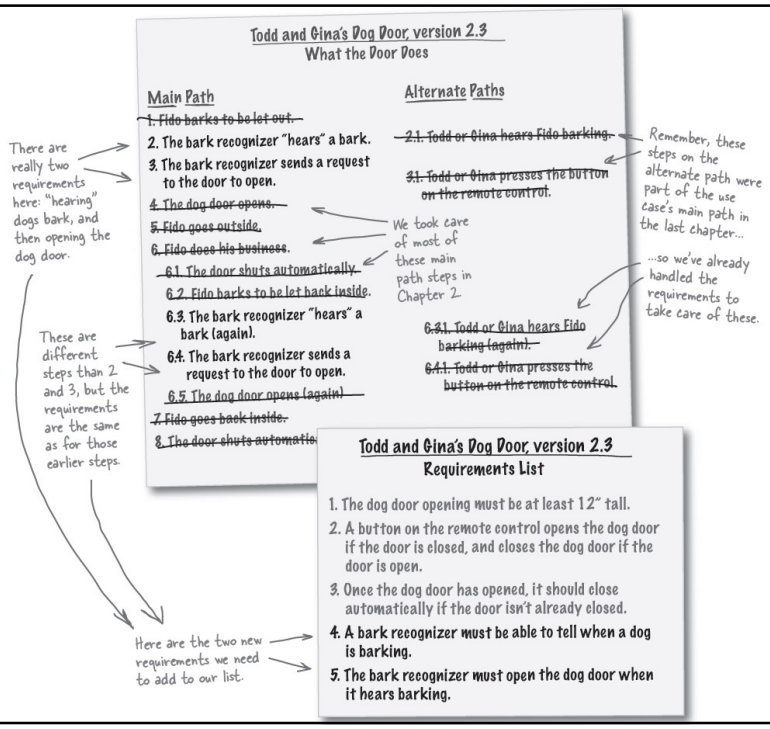
Finishing up the requirements list

So we need to handle the two new alternate paths by adding a couple extra requirements to our requirements list. We've gone ahead and crossed off the steps that our requirements already handle, and it looks like we need a few additions to our requirements list:



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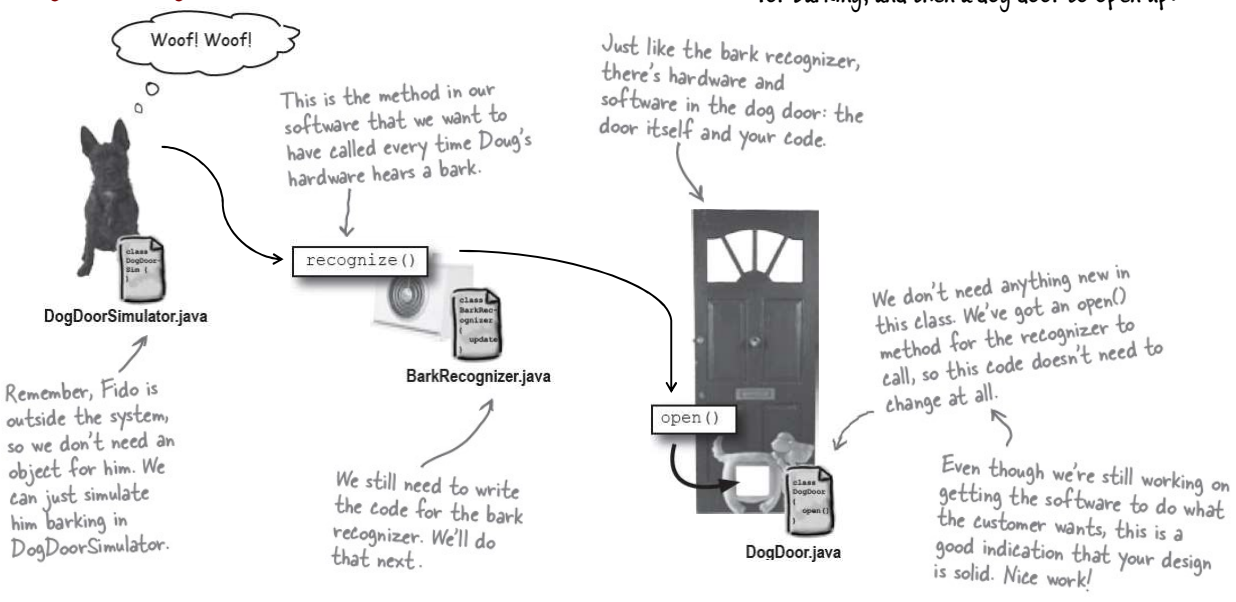
Now we can start coding the dog door again

With new requirements comes new code. We need some barking, a bark recognizer to listen for barking, and then a dog door to open up:



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Was that a "woof" I heard?

We need some software to run when Doug's hardware "hears" a bark. Let's create a **BarkRecognizer** class, and write a method that we can use to respond to barks:

We'll store the dog door that this bark recognizer is attached to in this member variable.

The BarkRecognizer needs to know which door it will open.

```
public class BarkRecognizer {
  private DogDoor door;

  public BarkRecognizer(DogDoor door) {
    this.door = door;
  }

  public void recognize(String bark) {
    System.out.println(" BarkRecognizer: Heard a '" +
                       bark + "'");
    door.open();
  }
}
```

Every time the hardware hears a bark, it will call this method with the sound of the bark it heard.

All we need to do is output a message letting the system know we heard a bark...

...and then open up the dog door.

BarkRecognizer.java

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First, let's make sure we've taken care of Todd and Gina's new requirements for their door:

I think with this new class, we've got everything we need. Let's test out the BarkRecognizer and see if we can make Todd and Gina happy again.

This is another hardware requirement for Doug. For now, we can use the simulator to get a bark to the recognizer, and test the software we wrote.

Todd and Gina's Dog Door version 2.3
Requirements List

1. The dog door opening must be at least 12" tall.
2. A button on the remote control opens the dog door if the door is closed, and closes the dog door if the door is open.
3. Once the dog door has opened, it should close automatically if the door isn't already closed.
4. **A bark recognizer must be able to tell when a dog is barking.**
5. **The bark recognizer must open the dog door when it hears barking.**

This is the code we just wrote... anytime the recognizer hears a bark, it opens the dog door.

Hmmm... our bark recognizer isn't really "recognizing" a bark, is it? It's opening the door for ANY bark. We may have to come back to this later.

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Power up the new dog door

1. Update the DogDoorSimulator source code:

```
public class DogDoorSimulator {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    DogDoor door = new DogDoor();
    BarkRecognizer recognizer = new BarkRecognizer(door);
    Remote remote = new Remote(door);

    // Simulate the hardware hearing a bark
    System.out.println("Fido starts barking.");
    recognizer.recognize("Woof");
    System.out.println("\nFido has gone outside...");
    System.out.println("\nFido's all done...");
    try {
      Thread.currentThread().sleep(10000);
    } catch (InterruptedException e) { }

    System.out.println("...but he's stuck outside!");

    // Simulate the hardware hearing a bark again
    System.out.println("Fido starts barking.");
    recognizer.recognize("Woof");

    System.out.println("\nFido's back inside...");
  }
}
```

Create the BarkRecognizer, connect it to the door, and let it listen for some barking.

We don't have real hardware, so we'll just simulate the hardware hearing a bark.*

Here's where our new BarkRecognizer software gets to go into action.

We simulate some time passing here.

We test the process when Fido's outside, just to make sure everything works like it should.

Notice that Todd and Gina never press a button on the remote this time around.

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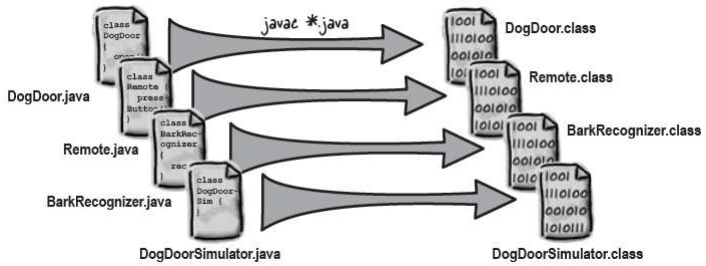
2. Recompile all your Java source code into classes.



BRAIN POWER

There's a big problem with our code, and it shows up in the simulator. Can you figure out what the problem is? What would you do to fix it?

3. Run the code and watch the humanless dog door go into action.

Sharpen your pencil

Which scenario are we testing?

Can you figure out which scenario from the use case we're testing? Write down the steps this simulator follows (flip back to slide 14 to see the use case again):

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 7, 8

```
File Edit Window Help YouBarkLikeAPoodle
%java DogDoorSimulator
Fido starts barking.
  BarkRecognizer: Heard a 'Woof'
The dog door opens.

Fido has gone outside...

Fido's all done...
...but he's stuck outside!
Fido starts barking.
  BarkRecognizer: Heard a 'Woof'
The dog door opens.

Fido's back inside...
```

A few seconds pass here while Fido plays outside.

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In our new version of the dog door, the door doesn't automatically close!

In the scenarios where Todd and Gina press the button on the remote control, here's the code that runs:

```
public void pressButton() {
  System.out.println("Pressing the remote control button...");
  if (door.isOpen()) {
    door.close();
  } else {
    door.open();

    final Timer timer = new Timer();
    timer.schedule(new TimerTask() {
      public void run() {
        door.close();
        timer.cancel();
      }
    }, 5000);
  }
}
```

When Todd and Gina press the button on the remote, this code also sets up a timer to close the door automatically.

Remember, this timer waits 5 seconds, and the sends a request to the dog door to close itself.

Remote.java

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But in BarkRecognizer, we open the door, and never close it:

```
public void recognize(String bark) {
  System.out.println(" BarkRecognizer: " +
    "Heard a '" + bark + "'");
  door.open();
}
```

We open the door, but never close it.

BarkRecognizer.java

Doug, owner of Doug's Dog Doors, decides that he knows exactly what you should do.

Even I can figure this one out. Just add a Timer to your BarkRecognizer like you did in the remote control, and get things working again. Todd and Gina are waiting, you know!

What do YOU think about Doug's idea?

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I think Doug's lame. I don't want to put the same code in the remote **and** in the bark recognizer.

Duplicate code is a bad idea. But where should the code that closes the door go?

Well, closing the door is really something that the **door** should do, not the remote control or the BarkRecognizer. Why don't we have the DogDoor close itself?

Let's have the dog door close automatically all the time.

Since Gina never wants the dog door left open, the dog door should *always* close automatically. So we can move the code to close the door automatically into the **DogDoor** class. Then, no matter *what* opens the door, it will always close itself.

Even though this is a design decision, it's part of getting the software to work like the customer wants it to. Remember, it's OK to use good design as you're working on your system's functionality.

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Updating the dog door

Let's take the code that closed the door from the **Remote** class, and put it into our **DogDoor** code:

DogDoor.java

You'll have to add imports for java.util.Timer and java.util.TimerTask, too.

```
public class DogDoor {
  public void open() {
    System.out.println("The dog door opens.");
    open = true;

    final Timer timer = new Timer();
    timer.schedule(new TimerTask() {
      public void run() {
        close();
        timer.cancel();
      }
    }, 5000);
  }

  public void close() {
    System.out.println("The dog door closes.");
    open = false;
  }
}
```

This is the same code that used to be in Remote.java.

Now the door closes itself... even if we add new devices that can open the door. Nice!

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Simplifying the remote control

You'll need to take this same code out of `Remote` now, since the dog door handles automatically closing itself:

```
public void pressButton() {
  System.out.println("Pressing the remote control button...");
  if (door.isOpen()) {
    door.close();
  } else {
    door.open();

    final Timer timer = new Timer();
    timer.schedule(new TimerTask() {
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        timer.cancel();
      }
    }, 5000);
  }
}
```

A final test drive

You've made a lot of changes to Todd and Gina's dog door since they first called you up. Let's test things out and see if everything works. Make the changes to **Remote.java** and **DogDoor.java** so that the door closes itself, compile all your classes again, and run the simulator:

```
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%java DogDoorSimulator
Fido starts barking.
  BarkRecognizer: Heard a 'Woof'
The dog door opens.

Fido has gone outside...

Fido's all done...
The dog door closes.
...but he's stuck outside!

Fido starts barking.
  BarkRecognizer: Heard a 'Woof'
The dog door opens.

Fido's back inside...
The dog door closes.
```

Yes! The door is closing by itself now.

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Sometimes a change in requirements reveals problems with your system that you didn't even know were there.

Change is constant, and your system should always improve every time you work on it.

Sharpen your pencil

Write your own design principle!

You've used an important design principle in this class related to duplicating code, and the dog door closing itself. Try and summarize the design principle that you think you've learned:

Design Principle

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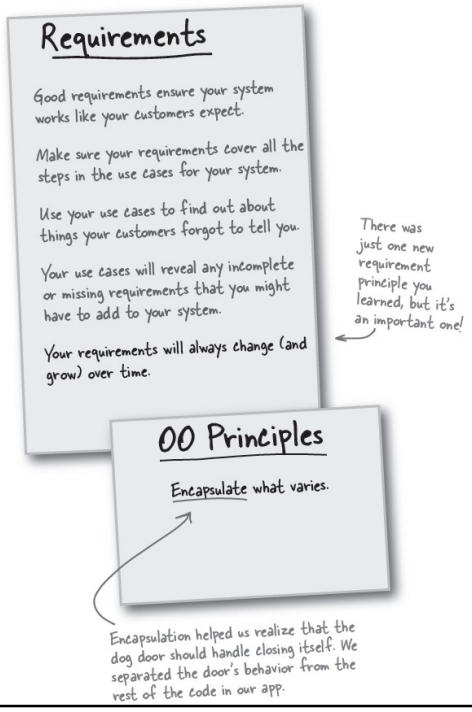
Tools for your toolbox

Bullet Points

- Requirements will always change as a project progresses.
- When requirements change, your system has to evolve to handle the new requirements.
- When your system needs to work in a new or different way, begin by updating your use case.
- A scenario is a single path through a use case, from start to finish.
- A single use case can have multiple scenarios, as long as each scenario has the same customer goal.
- Alternate paths can be steps that occur only some of the time, or provide completely different paths through parts of a use case.
- If a step is optional in how a system works, or a step provides an alternate path through a system, use numbered substeps, like 3.1, 4.1, and 5.1, or 2.1.1, 2.2.1, and 2.3.1.
- You should almost always try to avoid duplicate code. It's a maintenance nightmare, and usually points to problems in how you've designed your system.



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