

# ECE297 Communications

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Overall average: 75%



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Presentation average: 72.5%



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Demonstration average: 84.8%



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TA Q&A average: 65%



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CI Q&A average: 55.5%



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## Grading Rubrics

TA

ECE297 Midterm TA Grading Rubric  
Group Number \_\_\_\_\_ Day/Time \_\_\_\_\_

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	Student Name	UTOID	Demo Grade	Q&A Grade	Total Grade
A			/10	/4	/14
B			/10	/4	/14
C			/10	/4	/14

Attribution Table (students: circle the areas each of you has worked on)

	Network protocol	Server identification	Config File	Client/Server authentication	Other
A	M2	M2	M2	M2	Performance evaluation
B	M2	M2	M2	M2	Performance evaluation
C	M2	M2	M2	M2	Performance evaluation

Software Demonstration (Partial marks permissible for the third operation)

	Q#	First Operation (4 minutes)	Second Operation (2 minutes)	Third Operation (4 minutes)	Grade
A		/3	/3	/4	/10
B		/3	/3	/4	/10
C		/3	/3	/4	/10

Question and Answer

Q1	Q#	No answer or incorrect	Poor speaker: hard to understand; answer may be partially correct	Mainly understandable and mostly correct but needs improvement	Good speaker: reasonably clear, correct	Outstanding speaker: clear, concise, correct
A		0	.5	1	1.5	2
B		0	.5	1	1.5	2
C		0	.5	1	1.5	2

Q2	Q#	No answer or incorrect	Poor speaker: hard to understand; answer may be partially correct	Mainly understandable and mostly correct but needs improvement	Good speaker: reasonably clear, correct	Outstanding speaker: clear, concise, correct
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Comments:

feedback tool?

CI

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	Student Name	UTOID	Presentation	Q&A Grade	Final Grade
A			/6	/2	/8
B			/6	/2	/8
C			/6	/2	/8

Team Presentation (6 marks; half marks are permissible)

Team appears completely unprepared; team shows no evidence of understanding design project; no central idea	Highly disorganized; mass of unrelated details; no central idea; superficial understanding of the design project	Little evidence of preparation; disorganized; some understanding of the design project; central idea may be confusing or superficial	Careless preparation; poor organization; central idea is formulaic or highly general	Adequate preparation; reasonable organization; central idea is clear but lacks distinction	Effective preparation and organization; clear attempt to create an original central idea	Excellent preparation; original, distinctive central idea supported in a highly organized manner
0	1	2	3	4	5	6

Individual Penalty for Team Presentation

	Poor articulation; difficult to hear	Little or no engagement with audience	Little or no engagement with team	Careless body language	Inappropriate clothing	Non-participation
A	Minus 1	Minus 1	Minus 1	Minus 1	Minus 1	No marks
B	Minus 1	Minus 1	Minus 1	Minus 1	Minus 1	No marks
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- Revise and update M2 Design Document
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- User profile?
- UML diagrams?
- System requirements?
- Justifying design decisions?
- Formatting?

- Your CI may want you to highlight your revisions
- Some revisions may require addition; some may require subtraction
- Some revisions may require that you reorganize content

## M3 Design Document Requirements

- Revise M2 Design Document
- Add new material
  - ▶ Executive Summary
  - ▶ Use Case Scenario & Diagram
  - ▶ New Design Decisions (see Design Considerations)
  - ▶ Bug Report (March 16)



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## M3 Design Document

Cover Page

Table of Contents

1. Introduction
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3. System Requirements
4. Design Decisions
5. Conclusion

What's  
missing?

11 pg. maximum

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## M3 Design Document

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Which comes first, the diagram or the written use case scenario?

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Where will you put this?

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Executive Summary

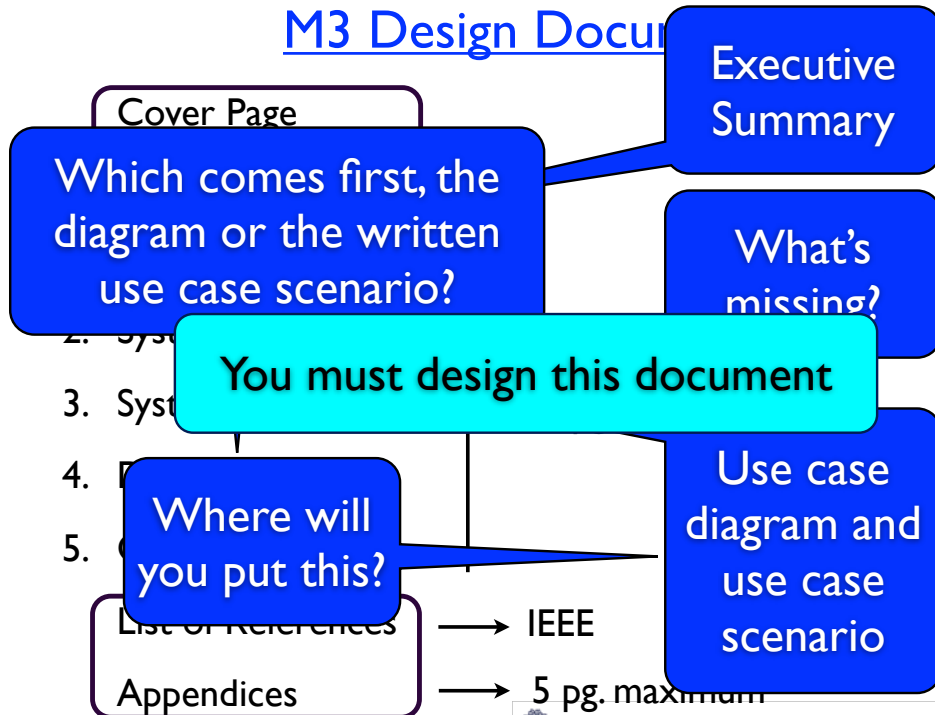
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## M3 DD Questions

- Should we integrate the M2 DD into the M3 DD?
- Do we need to identify the new sections as “new”?
- Should we put material from M2 DD into M3 DD appendices?
- Does the 11-page maximum for the main body in the M3 DD include the pages of text from the M2 DD?
- Is the Bug Report included in the maximum page count?



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## Audience for Design Documents

M2  
CI/PM



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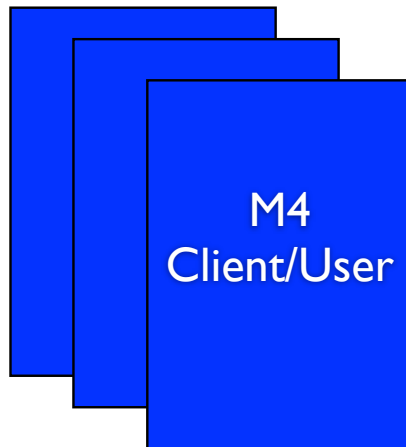
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M3  
CI/PM  
Client/User



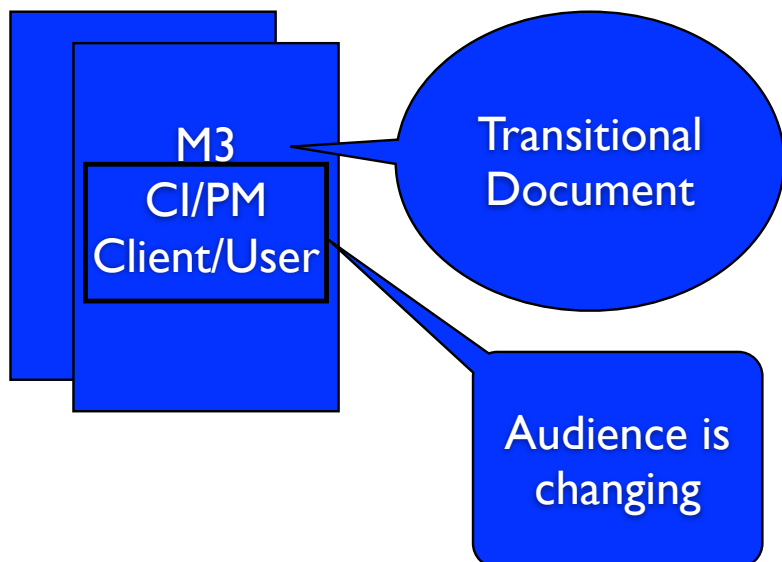
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- ☒ situation-problem/opportunity-solution structure
- ☒ emphasizes unique benefits to user
- ☒ stand alone statement
- ☐ marketing tone



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- ✗ too much metadiscourse
- ✗ metadiscourse is highly general
- ✗ not stand-alone
- ✗ too much emphasis on team, too little on client



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## Use Case

- Describes what happens when users interact with a system
- A collection of scenarios about how a system user interacts with a system to achieve a particular goal

adapted from: <http://alistair.cockburn.us/Use+case+fundamentals>



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## M3 DD Written Use Case Scenario

- Primary Actor
- Level
- Stakeholders and Interests
- Preconditions
- Minimal Guarantee
- Success Guarantee
- Main Success Scenario
- Extensions

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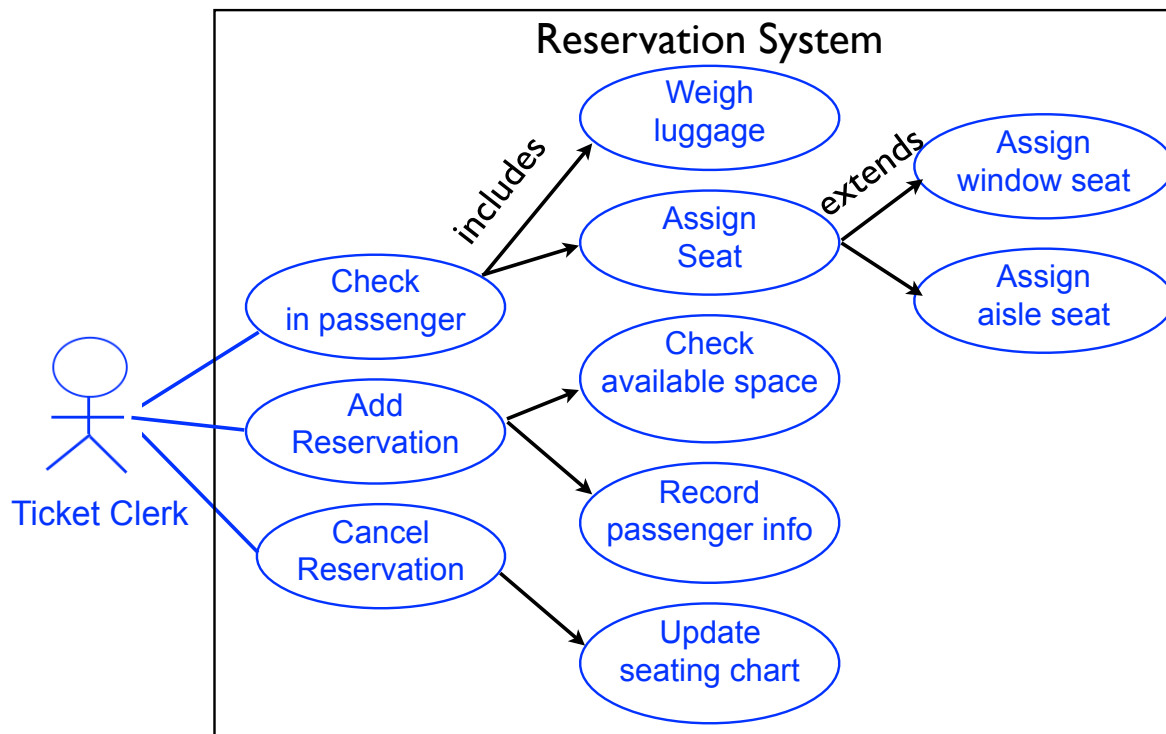
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Select one scenario

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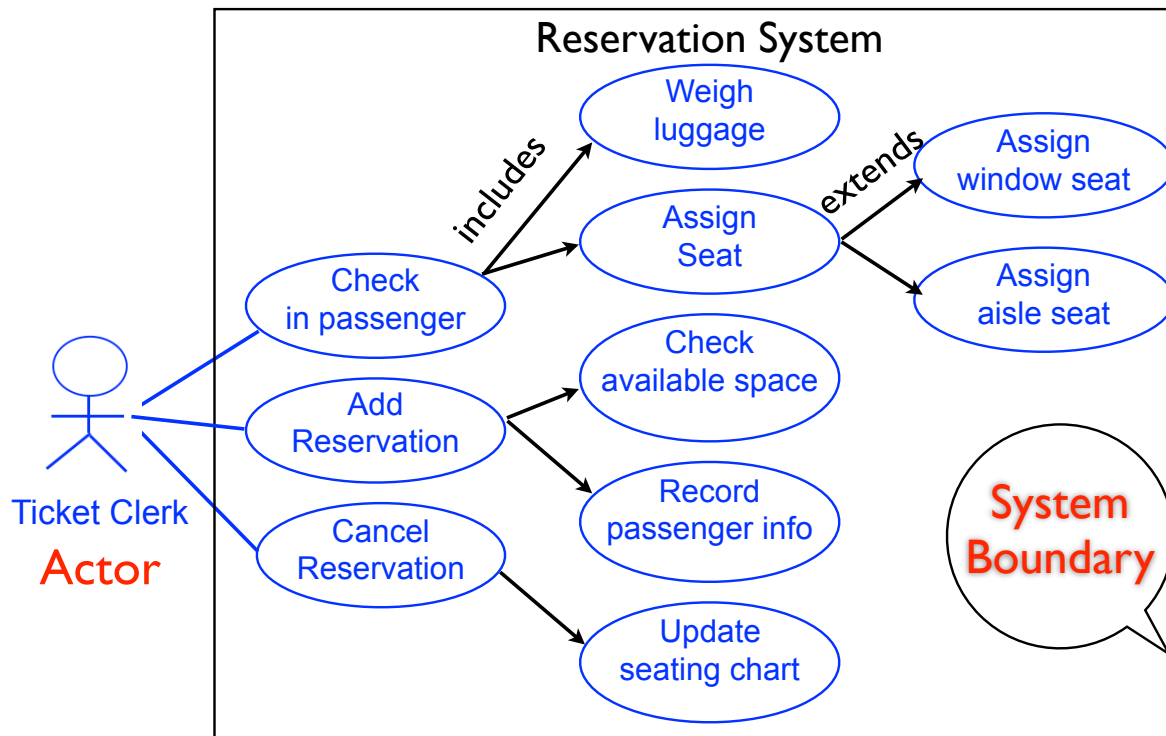
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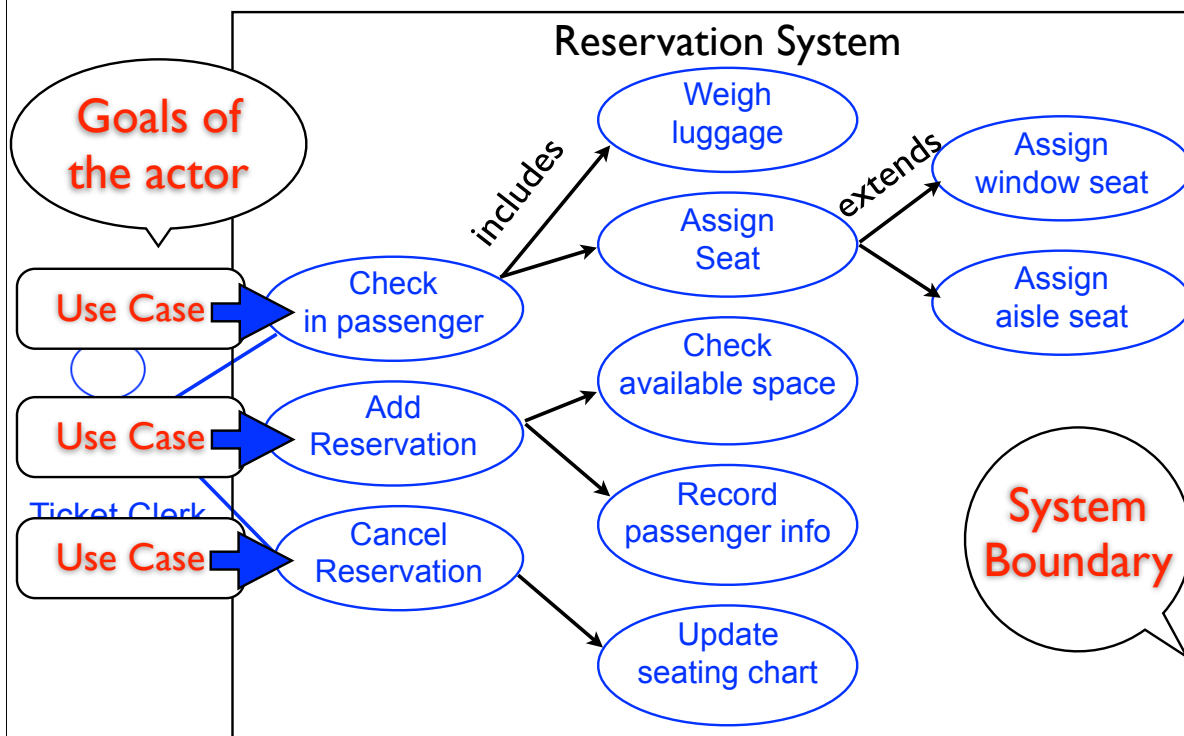
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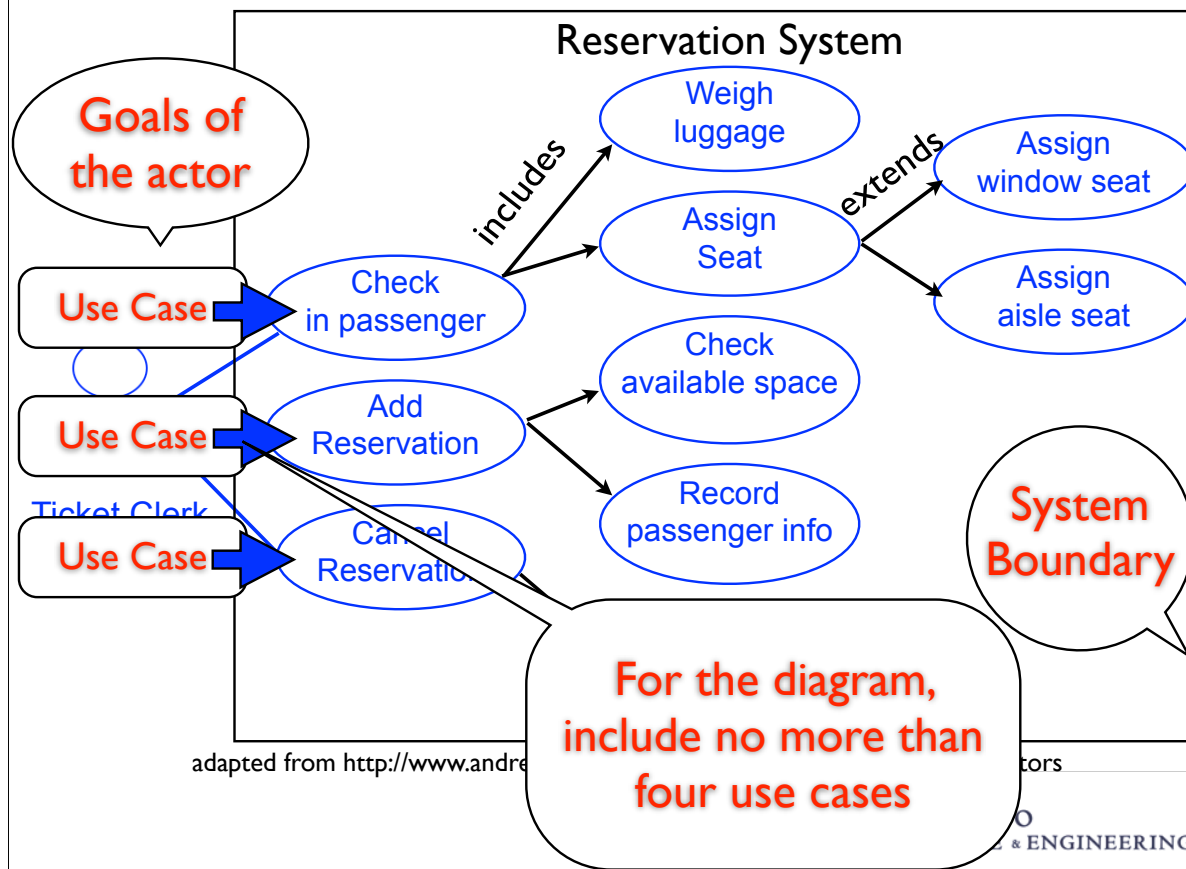


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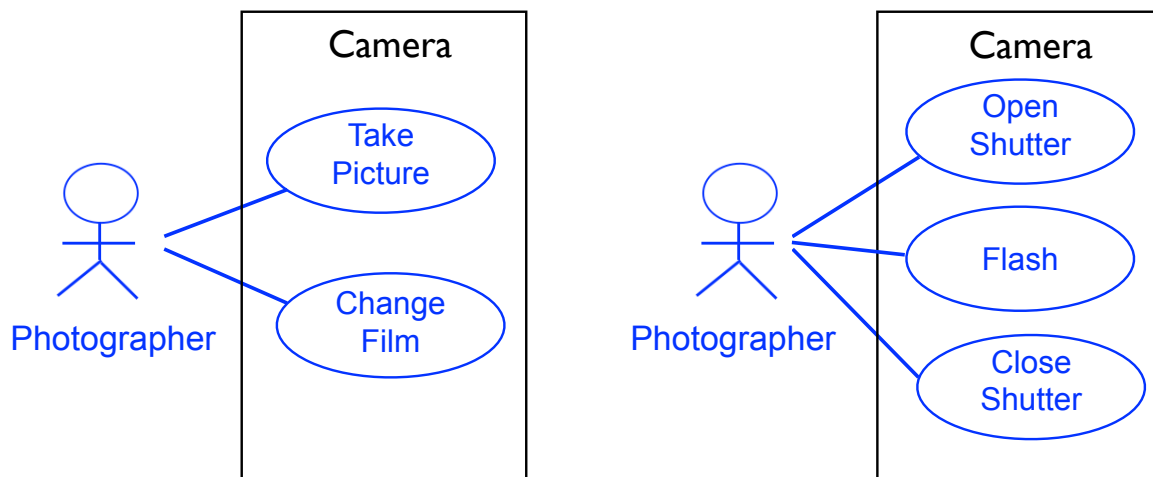


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## UML Use Case Diagram



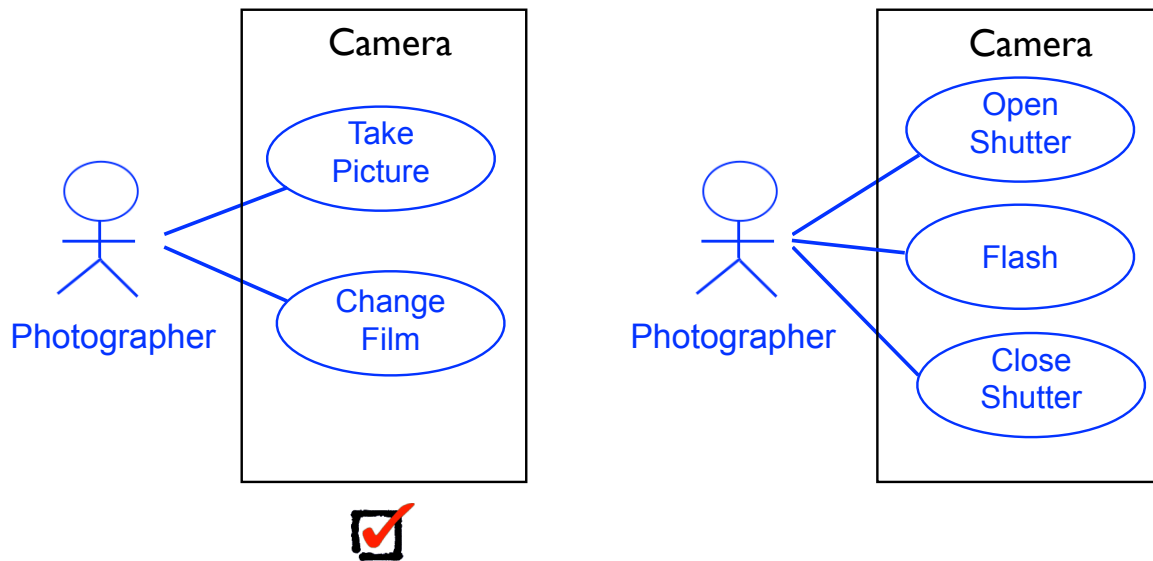
Which is correct? Why?

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## Benefits of Use Case

- Summarizes what the system will contribute (useful to management or project stakeholders)
- Communicates the scope of the project (useful to management)
- States the system's responsibilities in main success scenario (useful to all)
- Shows possible problems in extension conditions (useful to programmers and analysts)

adapted from: <http://www.agilemodeling.com/artifacts/useCaseDiagram.htm>



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## New Design Decisions

- Discuss all new design decisions that are relevant to the project
- Refer to Design Considerations in the assignment instructions



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## Bug Report

- Who writes Bug Reports?
- Who reads them?



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## Qualities of a Good Bug Report

- Objective observation
- Appropriate level of detail
- Clear and concise writing
- Logical and consistent format



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#1

## Different Approaches to Bug Reporting

- Clear title
- One bug per report
- Minimum steps to reproduce the problem
- Expected and observed results
- Pictures (screenshots)

<http://itscommonsensetupid.blogspot.com/2008/07/tips-to-write-good-bug-report.html>



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## #2

### Different Approaches to Bug Reporting

1. New
2. Open
3. Assign
4. Test
5. Verified
6. Deferred
7. Reopened
8. Duplicate
9. Rejected
10. Closed

[http://www.softwaretestinghelp.com/?attachment\\_id=98](http://www.softwaretestinghelp.com/?attachment_id=98)



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## #3

### Different Approaches to Bug Reporting

1. Bug description
2. How to reproduce
3. Actual result
4. Expected result
5. Cause of problem
6. Solution



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## Format for Bug Report?

- List? Table? Memo? Report?
  - ▶ There are basic forms of bug reports, but the details change.
  - ▶ There is no “right” format; you design it.



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## Use Precise Language

- Imprecise: “Open Gmail in another window.”
- Precise: “Press Cmd+N to open a new browser window, then type <https://mail.google.com/> in the window bar and press Enter.”
- Confusing: “I started FooApp. It put up a warning window. I tried to close it and it crashed.”
- Clear: “I started FooApp, which put up a warning window. I tried to close the warning window, and FooApp crashed.”



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## Recommendations

- Choose a format that is efficient and simple.
- Provide details as required: some bugs are more difficult to explain and fix.



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