

软件工程



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Requirements?





1. It is said that sometimes it is hard for client and developers to understand each other. Do you think so, why?



Difficulties & Challenges



- Knowledge and techniques
 - Most developers learn computer technique in school. They are not good at communicating with users.
 - > Developer cannot achieve proper requirements documentation.
 - Many developers lack domain knowledge.



Difficulties & Challenges



- Users cannot describe their requirements
 - > "I know you believe you understood what you think I said, but I am not sure you realize that what you heard is not what I meant!"
 - ---- by American vice president
 - We know our feet very well, but we cannot describe their size and shape exactly. Only when we try and feel the shoes, could we determine the right shoes.



Difficulties & Challenges



- Both misunderstand requirements
 - What is asked for is not what is really needed. The answer is not what is really asked.
 - > Who can help me to change a 100RMB note?
 - The user misunderstand developer's suggest or reply.
 - > Advertisement on Information Highway
- User changes requirements often.





2. Do you think that all users or all members of the client organization will be happy to expect the target software system? Why?

---- Employees of the client organization feel threatened by computerization.





Case 1. Why did the product fail?



---- Requirements should come from clients and users, rather than developers themselves.





Case 2. What is wrong with the project?



----Requirements team members must be able to negotiate. The client's needs may have to be scaled down.





Case 3. Can the project terminate?



---- The importance of key employees of the client organization