

Requirements

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1 Requirements and Requirements engineering

1.1 Goal of Software development

- Develop quality software on time and on budget - that meets customers' real needs.
- customer needs are critical for software development
- Requirements shall be engineered and analyzed between testers, customers, designers, and implementers

1.2 Requirements

1.2.1 Definition

Abstract description of the *services* provided by the system and the constraints under which the system must operate. Written *understandably* for the customers

1.2.2 Requirements Specification

- Produced in form of a requirement specification document
 - A structured document that sets out the system service in detail

1.2.3 Characteristics of good requirements

- Unambiguous
 - doesn't use short forms or abbreviations
 - doesn't not contain words or forms that might have a double meaning i.e. No need to think about a double meaning. i.e. don't make me think twice
- Verifiable
 - don't say "etc"
 - don't say "as they say, ..."
 - The arguments in the requirement should be exact.
- Concise
 - don't use run-on
 - don't use long *unnecessarily* long sentences.
 - don't use may conjunctions
- correct
 - no Falsified information
- understandable
 - Grammatically correct
 - don't use may,will,must or can
- Feasible/realistic
 - could be applied and tested
- independent
 - don't relate requirements to each other
- atomic
 - focusing on one point only or one element
- necessary
 - shall be needed by an stakeholder
 - shall be effective (can't go without it)
- Implementation-free (Abstract)
 - should not contain unnecessary design and implementation information
 - don't mention coding or files

1.2.4 Characteristics for the Set of Requirements

- Consistent
 - No conflicts between the requirements
 - applied terminology should consistent
- Non-redundant
 - No overlap between the requirement
- complete
 - all applicable requirements should be specified

1.2.5 Functional and non-functional requirements

1.2.5.1 Functional requirements

- Functional Requirements include:
 - Activity that the system must perform
 - Mention the process the system shall do
 - Mention the information the system shall include
 - flow directly into the creation of functional, structural and behavioral models.

1.2.5.2 Non-functional Requirements

- specifies
 - how the system should behave
 - system behavior constraints
- Quality attributes for a system

1.2.6 Difference between functional and non-functional requirements

The difference is that *non-functional requirement* describes **how the system works**, while *functional requirement* describes **what the system should do**

1.2.7 Requirements gathering techniques

- Observation
- Interview
- Questionnaires
- Scenario Walkthroughs
- Focus groups
- Prototypes (**RPD**)