Software Requirements Engineering (SE2001)



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Validation Techniques

- *Review checklists
- Prototyping
- User manual development
- Model validation
- Requirements testing

Understandability:

Can readers of the document understand what the requirements mean?

❖ Redundancy:

➤ Is information unnecessarily repeated in the requirements document?

Completeness:

Does the checker know of any missing requirements or is there any information missing from individual requirement descriptions?

Ambiguity:

Are the requirements expressed using terms which are clearly defined? Could readers from different backgrounds make different interpretations of the requirements?

Consistency:

Do the descriptions of different requirements include contradictions? Are there contradictions between individual requirements and overall system requirements?

Organization:

➤ Is the document structured in a sensible way? Are the descriptions of requirements organized so that related requirements are grouped?

Conformance to standards:

Does the requirements document and individual requirements conform to defined standards? Are departures from the standards, justified?

❖ Traceability:

Are requirements unambiguously identified, include links to related requirements and to the reasons why these requirements have been included?

Checklist Questions & Quality Attributes – 1

- Is each requirement uniquely identified?
 - > Traceability, conformance to standards
- Are specialized terms defined in the glossary
 - Understandability
- ❖ Does a requirement stand on its own or do you have to examine other requirements to understand what it means?
 - Understandability, completeness

Checklist Questions & Quality Attributes – 2

- Do individual requirements use the terms consistently
 - Ambiguity
- ❖ Is the same service requested in different requirements? Are there any contradictions in these requests?
 - Consistency, redundancy

Checklist Questions & Quality Attributes – 3

- If a requirement makes reference to some other facilities, are these described elsewhere in the document?
 - Completeness
- Are related requirements grouped together? If not, do they refer to each other?
 - Organization, traceability

THANK YOU

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