Software Requirements Specifications for Project "BookExpress"

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Product Purpose

To handle the addition of new books and the distribution in a better way, "BookExpress" asked us to develop an IT solution to optimize the idle time and labour usage by getting rid of the current, deprecated system. Furthermore one important goal of the software solution is to be very user friendly and easy to use; also there should be remote access implemented, so several customers can access the software at once and distribution partners can access and keep their book stock up to date.

1.1 Obligatory Requirements ("must have")

1.1.1 Communication with Publishers

The direct connection between the **publishers** and BookExpress shall be implemented by providing a web interface for the publishers.

- As each publisher also has a PIN, it will be used as the account name for the interface.
- The web interface has to provide the following features for the publisher: maintain the book database (add books, remove books, edit book data), edit their personal data, view statistics on how often which books are bought
- The interface has to be comfortably accessible from mobile devices as well, the data that is transmitted should be minimal

1.1.2 Communication with Customers

The direct connection between the **customers** and BookExpress shall also be implemented by providing a web interface for the customers.

- As each customer already has a unique identifier, the PIN, we will use it as an account name for the login.
- The web interface has to provide the following features: view catalogue and stock, submit orders, view the current state of their orders and cancel them (if they haven't been shipped yet)
- The system has to assign a unique ID to each order, ideally incorporating the PIN of the customer
- The interface has to be comfortably accessible from mobile devices as well, the data that is transmitted should be minimal

1.1.3 Internal Administration

The employees of BookExpress shall be provided a web interface as well.

- Each employee will get a unique user ID to log into the web interface. Ideally, this will be formatted along the lines of surname.name or something similar.
- The web interface must provide the following features for the employees: processing, editing and cancellation of submitted orders, directly contact the customers and publishers as well as the truck fleet and the warehouse
- Furthermore, the underlying system shall generate logfiles with login times, error codes and statistics (e.g. which books are ordered the most and by whom) for the publishers and the accounting and IT department / tech support.
- The interface has to be comfortably accessible from mobile devices as well, the data that is transmitted should be minimal

1.1.4 Support

- The system should be as automatic as possible we need a good, useroriented manual.
- Additionally, a context-sensitive help tool has to be implemented in the interface itself.
- Moreover, As we want to make sure that the system is as reliable as possible, we will need a dedicated support team that is available 24/7 and can be dispatched in less than 2 hours to fix critical issues.

1.2 Optional Requirements ("nice to have")

- Book Stores should be able to save recurring orders
- Book Stores should be notified when the delivery of their order is imminent

1.3 Non-Requirements ("need not have")

- The software should not allow final customers to buy books. It is only intended for retailers.
- Moreover, invoices are generated elsewhere, as well as financial reports, so the system should not interfere with that.

Product Environment

The Product takes the orders from the book stores and files them into the system, so that they can be prepared for shipping. For different sized book stores there should be several account types with separate functionality and different options for packaging and ordering. The targeting groups of the software solution are the book store owners(our consumers), the assistants of "BookExpress" and the distribution partners.

2.1 Application Area

The new IT system should replace the old system and provide administrative and commercial functions to relieve the employees of unnecessarily complex administrative tasks. Certain processes can be handled without any interaction at all, e.g. if a book runs low in stock, the system will automatically order new copies from the publisher.

2.2 User Groups

- BookExpress commercial employees
- BookExpress IT employees
- Publishers
- Book Stores

2.3 Operating Conditions

Product Overview

The products environmental diagram.

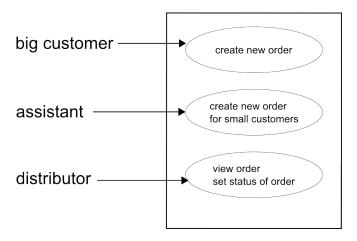


Figure 3.1: The environmental view of the product

Product Functions

4.1 Internal

Employees of "BookExpress"

/PF10/ **Process** Register Publisher or Book Shop (client)

> Actor(s) BookExpress employee

Must have Category

Description A Book Express employee creates an account

> for a book shop or publisher after both business partners have signed a contract handling

the business relations.

Goal The contract partner should have an account

> to log into the Software. After registration through the Book Express employee, the contract partner will be send a verification and its

information via email.

Preconditions Contract signed

Postcondition Successfully created account

success

Postcondition Unsuccessful in creating an account

failure

Menu option "register new client" (Software) Trigger Sequence Input relevant data and contractor details into

the managements system

Save the signed contract on the server

Register a new client by creating a new PIN in

the database

Send verification and account information to

the contractor

/PF20/ **Process** Edit client information

Actor(s) BookExpress employee

Category

Description The clients data is outdated and needs to be up-

dated

Goal Client data is updated **Preconditions** Client exists in database

Postcondition Client data is updated and a notification mail

success is sent to the client.

Postcondition Client data is not updated but rolled back to the previous state. Notification with problem

report is shown to the employee.

Trigger Menu option "edit client data" (Software)

Sequence Menu option "edit client data"

Edit specific data

Submit edited data to the server

/PF02/ **Process** Delete account

Actor(s) BookExpress Employee

Category

Description Client gets deleted due to resignation of the

contract

Goal Delete client from the system **Preconditions** Client exists in database

Contract is being resigned by one of the con-

tractors

Postcondition Client is deleted from the system

success

success

Postcondition

ion Client could not be deleted because of existing

failure orders

Trigger Menu option "delete client" (Software)

Sequence Choose client

Check if client is deletable (i.e. no existing or-

ders)

Send notification mail to client

Delete client

/PF/ **Process** Client places order

Category

Actor(s)BookExpress employee, clientDescriptionA client orders book via telephoneGoalOrder is placed in an order queue

Preconditions Client exists in database

Client is authorized

Postcondition

success

cess

Postcondition failure

Trigger Client initiates order process by calling an

Order is placed in an order queue

BookExpress employee

BookExpress employee triggers manual order

process

Sequence BookExpress employee selects client in Soft-

ware

BookExpress employee enters ordered book

into the system

Order is placed in order queue

Order notification containing detailed report is

sent to client

/PF/ **Process** Validate order

Category

Actor(s) System

Description Order is checked for validation

Goal The software checks every order for valida-

tion and confirms it to the client. BookExpress knows about every orders validation status.

Preconditions Order is in order queue

Postcondition Client receives a confirmation email

success

Postcondition Client receives a problem report about invalid

failure order

Trigger Order was placed and exists in order queue **Sequence** System gathers details and checks whether or-

der is valid or not

System sends mail to client

/PF/ Process Stock Update
Category Must have

Actor(s) System/BookExpress employee

Description The employee in charge of the stock checks the

availability of all books and updates the stock

accordingly.

Goal Check succeeds

Preconditions Order is placed or BookExpress employee initi-

ates check

Postcondition Books which are nearly out of stock get dis-

success played as a list

Postcondition

failure

Trigger Stock check is initiated

Sequence Check if a book is available in an sufficient

amount

Make a list of all books which need to be

ordered

Submit list to system

/PF/ **Process** Forward order to Logistics

Category

Actor(s) System

Description A validated order gets forwarded to Logistics

Goal Logistics proceeds processing the order

Preconditions Order is valid

Postcondition Logistics processes delivery

success

Postcondition

failure

Order could not be forwarded to Logistics

Trigger Order is validated

Sequence Send order information/details to Logistics

/PF/ **Process** Deliver order

Actor(s) System

Category

Description The order is send to the book store

Goal Deliver ordered books

Preconditions Order is valid

Books are available in stock

Postcondition

success

Order is marked as sent

Postcondition

failure

Order could not be marked as sent

Trigger Forward order to Logistics **Sequence** Check if books are in stock

Receive book store information

Sent order to book store Mark order as sent

/PF/ **Process** Confirm delivery

Actor(s) Employee (Logistics)

Category

Description Logistics confirms the correct delivery of an or-

der

Goal Delivery is successful
Preconditions Order is marked as sent
Order is marked as delivered

success

Postcondition

Order could not be marked as delivered

failure

Trigger Deliver order **Sequence** Get delivery status

Mark order as delivered if delivery status is

"successfully delivered"

/PF/ Process BookExpress Order

Actor(s) BookExpress employee

Category

Description The Employee orders a number of books from

the publisher

Goal Order books from a publisher

Preconditions need for new books

Postcondition Books are ordered and publisher gets an noti-

success fication mail

Postcondition

failure

Trigger BookExpress employee initates an order Sequence Select books from list or search TODO /PF/

Submit list to publisher

/PF/ **Process** Create an invoice

Actor(s) System

Category

Description The system creates an invoice after TODO /PF/

order is valid

Goal Documenting order and deliver it with invoice

Preconditions Order is valid

Postcondition Invoice successfully created

success

Postcondition Inv

failure

Invoice could not be created

Check information about order

Trigger Order is valid TODO /PF/ **Sequence** Create an entry in database

List the ordered books with price

List tax to invoice

/PF/ Process Send invoice

Actor(s) System

Category

Description The invoice is send to the book store via mail

Goal Inform the book shop **Preconditions** Successful created invoice

Postcondition Book store receives a notification mail

success

Postcondition

failure

Trigger Creation of an invoice

Sequence Get invoice

Send invoice to book store

/PF/ **Process** Backup

Actor(s) System

Category

Description A backup of the complete databases must be

done. This should happen periodically and

save all data on a server.

Goal In case of a crash, every data must be saves as a

preventative backup

Preconditions Server for the backup

Postcondition Successful backup in periodical intervals

success

Postcondition A notification will be send to the administrator

failure of the system

Trigger Configured time to start a backup

Sequence Start Backup

Place backup on the backup server

4.2 External

4.2.1 Book Stores ("Clients")

4.2.2 Book Stores and Publishers

/PF/ **Process** Login

Actor(s) Book store/publisher

Category Must have

Description The user logs on with his PIN and password **Goal** Provide a fully functional system to the user

Preconditions Existing account **Postcondition** Successful login

success

Postcondition Unsuccessful login caused by a wrong PIN or

failure password

Trigger Menu Option "Login"

Sequence Enter PIN

Enter password

Validity of data is checked by the System Login successful or display an error message in

case of unsuccessful login

/PF/ **Process** Update account information

Actor(s) Book store/publisher

Category Must have

Description The user is able to edit/update its account in-

formation (e.g. address, correspondent etc.)

Goal User is able to update changes

Preconditions User is logged on

Postcondition Updating the account succeeded

success

Postcondition Updating the account failed

failure

Trigger Menu option "edit

Sequence Edit

specific data

System checks correctness of data (e.g. email

format etc.)

Submit edited data to the server

/PF/ **Process** Logout

Actor(s) Book store/publisher

CategoryMust haveDescriptionUser logs outGoalUser is logged outPreconditionsUser is logged inPostconditionSuccessful logout

success

Postcondition Unsuccessful logout caused by an abort of the

failure use:

Trigger Menu option "Logout" **Sequence** User confirms to log out

The system terminates the current session

4.2.3 Book Stores ("Clients")

/PF/ **Process** Search for a book/show catalogue

Category Must have Actor(s) Client

Description Client searches for a book to add it to his order

Goal Searching for a book succeeded **Preconditions** Client is logged into the system

Postcondition Book is being found

success

Display items and options

Postcondition

failure

Book could not be found

Display notification

Trigger Menu option "find books" (Software)

Sequence Enter ISBN/title/author/genre in search bar

Hit the "Search"-Button

Choose book from list to add it to the order

/PF/ **Process** Book Store Order

Category

Actor(s) Book Store Employee

Description The Book Store orders a book from BookEx-

press. This can either happen through a constant connection where every order is individually processed or the store can choose to collect orders internally and send them as one big or-

der every day.

Goal Order is placed

Preconditions Client is successfully logged into the web inter-

face

Connection to BookExpress server is estab-

lished

Postcondition Order is delivered to BookExpress and added

success to the order queue

Postcondition Order is saved as draft and client gets a notific-

failure ation

Trigger Menu Option "create new order" (Web inter-

face)

Sequence Client adds books to order (via book search or

ISBN)

Client specifies amount for every book

Client submits order to server Order is in the order queue /PF/ **Process** Change order **Actor(s)** Book store

Category

Description As long as the order is not validated, the user

can change information

Goal User can correct an order

Preconditions Order exists and user is logged in

Postcondition Order information successfully changed

success

Postcondition Order information could not be changed befailure cause the order is already being validated

Trigger Menu option "Change order" **Sequence** Select order to be changed

System checks validity status of the order If not validated, user can change order inform-

ation

Submit changes to the System User receives a confirmation mail

/PF/ **Process** Cancel Order

Actor(s) Book Store Employee

Category

Description The employee at the book store can cancel the

order if it hasn't been shipped yet

Goal Current orders can be cancelled

Preconditions Order exists

Postcondition Order successfully cancelled. Book Store re-

success ceives a confirmation mail

Postcondition Book Store receives a problem report

failure

Trigger Menu option "cancel order"

Sequence Select order to cancel

Check whether order isn't shipped yet

Cancel order

/PF/ **Process** Tracking System

Actor(s) Book Store Employee

Category

Description The employee at the book store can look up at

which stage his order is right now, e.g. processing or shipping to BookExpress/the book

store.

Goal Look up order information/status

Preconditions Order exists

Postcondition Employee receives information/status of order

success

Postcondition

failure

Trigger Menu option "tracking system"

Sequence Select order to track

4.2.4 Publishers

/PF10/ **Process** Inventory maintenance

Actor(s) Publisher
Category Must have

Description Publishers can update their inventory list (i.e.

the list of available books) either via mail or using the direct connection over the web-based

interface.

Goal Updated inventory list

Preconditions Publisher exists

Postcondition Send success mail to publisher

success

Postcondition Send problem report to publisher

failure

Trigger Menu option "inventory maintenance" (Soft-

ware) or via mail

Sequence Edit inventory list (i.e with TODO book search)

Submit list to server

Product Data

5.1 User Data

5.1.1 Book Stores

/PD20/	Data	Book Store Data
	Composition	Name, PIN, Address, Correspondent, E-Mail Address,
		Phone Number, Contract Data
	Size	approx 10,000
	Traffic	Low

5.1.2 Publishers

/PD30/	Data	Publisher Data
	Composition	Name, PIN, Address, Correspondent, E-Mail Address,
		Phone Number, Contract Data
	Size	approx 15,000
	Traffic	Low

5.2 Order Data

/PD40/	Data	Order Data
	Composition	PIN, ISBN, Amount, Price, Date, Current Ordering State
	Size	500,000
	Traffic	Very High
/PD41/	Data	Order Data History
	Composition	PIN, ISBN, Amount, Price, Date
	Size	2,500,000
	Traffic	High

5.3 Internal Data

5.3.1 Book Stock

/PD10/

Data	Book Data
Composition	ISBN, UPC/EAN, Title, Author, Publisher, Availability
Size	approx 1,500,000
Traffic	Average

5.3.2 Truck Information

/PD50/

Data	Truck Fleet Data
Composition	Driver, Registration Number, Status
Size	1,000
Traffic	Average

Product Performance

6.1 System

/PP10/	Type	System (Web Interface)
	Description	The Web Interface should be always reachable during business hours, but also 24/7 for quick changes. The availability outside business hours can be less than 100% but should not fall below 99.7%.
/PP30/	Type	System (Order Processing)
/1130/	Description	The order processing should always be reachable, confirm-
	Description	ing (or informing about, in case of error) any order.
		ing (or informing about, in case of error) any order.
/DD 40 /		
/PP40/	Туре	System
	Description	The System in general should be reliable and responsive all the time, taking not longer than 1-3 seconds for any request.
/PP50/	Type	System
	Description	The response time criteria should also be met, when the processing limit of max. 2.000 simultaneous orders is reached.

6.2 Database

/PP20/	Type	Database (DB Connection)
	Description	A Connection to the database should never be lost, an aver-
		age uptime of 99.99% has to be reached to satisfy any part
		of the system, currently needing data.

/PP21/	Type	Database (DB Backup)
	Description	A database backup has to be initiated meeting the
		guidelines on general backup, also ensuring a consistent
		and complete history of any processed orders and any crit-
		ical data.

6.3 Security

/PP60/	Type	Security (Stock Availability)
	Description	·
		fast delivery on order.
/PP61/	Type	Security (Connection)
	Description	Any connection issued to the system and between system components should be at least encrypted with 256 bit SSL.
/PP62/	Type	Security (Database)
	Description	The database should be on an encrypted device, securing personal customer data.

Quality Requirements

Product Quality	excellent	good	normal	not applicable
Functionality				
suitability		\checkmark		
correctness	\checkmark			
interoperability		√		
conformity		√		
security	\checkmark			
Reliability				
maturity		✓		
error tolerance		\checkmark		
re-invoking	\checkmark			
Usability				
comprehensibility		\checkmark		
learnability			\checkmark	
ease of use		\checkmark		
Efficiency				
time behaviour	\checkmark			
resource use			\checkmark	
Maintainability				
easy to analyse		\checkmark		
easy to modify			\checkmark	
stability	\checkmark			
testability				\checkmark
Installability				
adaptability			\checkmark	
easy to install			V	
conformity		\checkmark		
exchangeability				\checkmark

User Interface

- 8.1 Client Application (for clerks)
- 8.2 Web Interface (for customers)

Non-Functional Requirements

Technical Product Environment

- 10.1 Software
- 10.2 Hardware
- 10.3 Orgware
- 10.4 Interfaces (product)

Special Requirements for the Development Environment

- 11.1 Software
- 11.2 Hardware
- 11.3 Orgware
- 11.4 Interfaces (development)

Subproducts and Subsystems

- 12.1 Server
- 12.2 Web Interface / Web Service
- 12.3 Client Application

Additional Specifications and Stipulations

Appendices