Documentation

Definition

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Materials providing information regarding a particular software

Types

- Product Documentation
- Process Documentation

Categories

Flavours

- System Documentation
- User Documentation

Our focus would be on system documentation

Subcategories

Sub-flavours?

- UX Documentation
- Software Architecture Design
 Documentation
- Source Code Documentation
- QA Documentation
- Maintenance/Help Guide
- API Documentation

UX Doc

- User personas
 - User preferences
- User scenario
 - User tasks/options
- Scenario map
 - Connect tasks/options
- User story map
 - Same old same old
- UX style guide
 - O How to design

SAD Doc

- Overview
 - Background, problem and goals
- Architecture & Design Principles
 - o Decisions, decisions, decisions...
- User Story Description
 - Connect user stories to processes
- Solution Details
 - Self explanatory?
- Pictorial Representation
 - This is where UML diagrams comes in :p
- Milestones
 - o Deadline management

Source Code Doc

- Overview
 - Just a README.md please
- Project Structure
 - O Where, what, why?
- Data structures
 - I think I heard of this before
- Principles and patterns
 - o I'm not studying geometry again
- Class Definitions
 - But I'm a uni student now...

QA Doc

- Quality Management Plan
 - How best to annoy a developer
- Test Strategy
 - Muwahaha
- Test Plan
 - Testing a developer's patience
- Test Case Specification
 - Just to tell developers they are wrong
- Test Checklists
 - Things to do to make a developer hate their life

Maintenance /Help Guide

For the IT people...

API Doc

- End Points
- Parameter
- Request method
- Expected outputs

• OpenAPI Specification

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