

SOFTWARE REQUIREMENT SPECIFICATION (SRS) DOCUMENT

Software requirements specification establishes the basis for an agreement between client and developer on how the software product should function.

A software requirements specification (SRS) is a description of a software system to be developed.

Software requirements specification is a rigorous assessment of requirements before the more specific system design stages, and its goal is to reduce later redesign. It should also provide a realistic basis for estimating product costs, risks, and schedules

The software requirements specification (SRS) is a communication tool between users and software designers. The specific goals of the SRS are as follows:

- Facilitating reviews
- Describing the scope of work
- Providing a reference to software designers (i.e. navigation aids, document structure)
- Providing a framework for testing primary and secondary use cases
- Including features to customer requirements
- Providing a platform for ongoing refinement (via incomplete specs or questions)

The organization of an SRS is as follows:

A. Purpose

1. *Definitions*
2. *Background*
3. *System overview*
4. *References*

B. Overall description

1. Product perspective
 1. *System Interfaces*
 2. *User interfaces*
 3. *Hardware interfaces*
 4. *Software interfaces*
 5. *Communication Interfaces*
 6. *Memory constraints*
2. Design constraints
 1. *Operations*
 2. *Site adaptation requirements*
3. Product functions
4. User characteristics
5. Constraints, assumptions and dependencies

C. Specific requirements

1. External interface requirements
2. Performance requirements
3. Logical database requirement
4. Software system attributes
 1. *Reliability*
 2. *Availability*
 3. *Security*
 4. *Maintainability*
 5. *Portability*
5. Functional requirements
6. Environment characteristics
 1. *Hardware*
 2. *Peripherals*
 3. *Users*