

Deliverable #1 Template

SE 3A04: Software Design II – Large System Design

1 Introduction

- This section of the SRS should provide an overview of the entire SRS.

1.1 Purpose

- Specify the purpose of the SRS
- Specify the intended audience for the SRS

1.2 Scope

- Identify the software product(s) to be produced, and name each (e.g., Host DBMS, Report Generator, etc.)
- Explain what the software product(s) will do (and, if necessary, also state what they will not do)
- Describe the application of the software being specified, including relevant benefits, objectives, and goals
- Be consistent with similar statements in higher-level specifications (e.g., the system requirements specification), if they exist

1.3 Definitions, Acronyms, and Abbreviations

- Provide the definitions of all terms, acronyms, and abbreviations required to properly interpret the SRS
- This should be in alphabetical order.

1.4 References

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1.5 Overview

- Describe what the rest of the SRS contains
- Explain how the SRS is organized

2 Overall Description

- This section of the SRS should describe the general factors that affect the product and its requirements.
- It does not state specific requirements.
- It provides a *background* for those requirements and makes them easier to understand.

2.1 Product Perspective

- Put the product into perspective with other related products, i.e., context
- If the product is independent and totally self-contained, it should be stated here
- If the SRS defines a product that is a component of a larger system, then this subsection should relate the requirements of that larger system to the functionality of the software being developed. Identify interfaces between that larger system and the software to be developed.
- A block diagram showing the major components of the larger system, interconnections, and external interfaces can be helpful

2.2 Product Functions

- Provide a summary of the major functions that the software will perform.
 - **Example:** An SRS for an accounting program may use this part to address customer account maintenance, customer statement, and invoice preparation without mentioning the vast amount of detail that each of those functions requires.
- Functions should be organized in a way that makes the list of functions understandable to the customer or to anyone else reading the document for the first time
- Present the functions in a list format - each item should be one function, with a brief description of it
- Textual or graphical methods can be used to show the different functions and their relationships
 - Such a diagram is not intended to show a design of a product, but simply shows the logical relationships among variables

2.3 User Characteristics

- Describe those general characteristics of the intended users of the product including educational level, experience, and technical expertise
- Since there will be many users, you may wish to divide into different user types or personas

2.4 Constraints

- Provide a general description of any constraints that will limit the developer's options

2.5 Assumptions and Dependencies

- List any assumptions you made in interpreting what the software being developed is aiming to achieve
- List any other assumptions you made that, if it fails to hold, could require you to change the requirements
 - **Example:** An assumption may be that a specific operating system will be available on the hardware designated for the software product. If, in fact, the operating system is not available, the SRS would then have to change accordingly.

2.6 Apportioning of Requirements

- Identify requirements that may be delayed until future versions of the system

3 Use Case Diagram

- Provide *one* use case diagram for the most important Business Event.
- The text of all use cases will be specified under "Highlights of Functional Requirements"

4 Highlights of Functional Requirements

- Specify the "use cases" organized by Business Event. (The Global Scenario is what you might think of as a use case). Be sure to consider Business Events that aren't just triggered by users with goals (e.g. something happens in the environment that your system needs to respond to)
- Your focus should be on what the system needs to do, not how to do it. Specify it in enough detail that it clearly specifies what needs to be accomplished, but not so detailed that you start programming or making design decisions.
- Keep the length of each use case (Global Scenario) manageable. If it's getting too long, you need to condense your steps and give a name to what's accomplished by that sequence of steps. (e.g. "Authenticate user" in one line, instead of a list of steps of how to; that's a design decision anyways)
- You are *not* specifying a complete and consistent set of functional requirements here. (i.e. you are providing them in the form of use cases/global scenarios, not a refined list). For the purpose of this project, you do not need to reduce them to a list; the global scenarios format is all you need.

Below, we organize by Business Event.

BE1. Business Event name

VP1.1 Viewpoint name

- S_1 : Initial response of the system to the Business Event
- E_1 : Reaction of the environment to S_1
- S_2 : Response of the system to E_1
- E_2 : Reaction of the environment to S_2
- ...
- S_n : Response of the system to $E_{(n-1)}$
- E_n : Reaction of the environment to $E_{(n-1)}$
- $S_{(n+1)}$: Final response of the system concluding its function regarding the Business Event

VP1.2 Viewpoint name

- S_1 : Initial response of the system to the Business Event
- E_1 : Reaction of the environment to S_1
- S_2 : Response of the system to E_1
- E_2 : Reaction of the environment to S_2
- ...
- S_k : Response of the system to $E_{(k-1)}$
- E_k : Reaction of the environment to $E_{(k-1)}$
- $S_{(k+1)}$: Final response of the system concluding its function regarding the Business Event

VP1.3 ...

VP1.4 ...

VP1.5 ...

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Global Scenario of *Business Event Name*: It is the scenario corresponding to the integration of all the above scenarios from the different Viewpoints of the Business Event BE1.

- S_1 : Initial response of the system to the Business Event
- E_1 : Reaction of the environment to S_1
- S_2 : Response of the system to E_1
- E_2 : Reaction of the environment to S_2
- ...
- S_m : Response of the system to $E_{(m-1)}$
- E_m : Reaction of the environment to $E_{(m-1)}$
- $S_{(m+1)}$: Final response of the system concluding its function regarding the Business Event

BE2. Business Event name

VP1.1 Viewpoint name

- S_1 : Initial response of the system to the Business Event
- E_1 : Reaction of the environment to S_1
- S_2 : Response of the system to E_1
- E_2 : Reaction of the environment to S_2
- ...
- $S_{n'}$: Response of the system to $E_{(n'-1)}$
- $E_{n'}$: Reaction of the environment to $E_{(n'-1)}$
- $S_{(n'+1)}$: Final response of the system concluding its function regarding the Business Event

VP1.2 Viewpoint name

- S_1 : Initial response of the system to the Business Event
- E_1 : Reaction of the environment to S_1
- S_2 : Response of the system to E_1
- E_2 : Reaction of the environment to S_2
- ...
- $S_{k'}$: Response of the system to $E_{(k'-1)}$
- $E_{k'}$: Reaction of the environment to $E_{(k'-1)}$
- $S_{(k'+1)}$: Final response of the system concluding its function regarding the Business Event

VP1.3 ...

VP1.4 ...

VP1.5 ...

...

Global Scenario of *Business Event Name*: It is the scenario corresponding to the integration of all the above scenarios from the different Viewpoints of the Business Event BE2.

- S_1 : Initial response of the system to the Business Event
- E_1 : Reaction of the environment to S_1
- S_2 : Response of the system to E_1
- E_2 : Reaction of the environment to S_2
- ...
- $S_{m'}$: Response of the system to $E_{(m'-1)}$
- $E_{m'}$: Reaction of the environment to $E_{(m'-1)}$
- $S_{(m'+1)}$: Final response of the system concluding its function regarding the Business Event

5 Non-Functional Requirements

5.1 Look and Feel Requirements

5.1.1 Appearance Requirements

- LF-A1. The colour scheme of the application must match the branding colours of the company
Rationale: For marketing purposes, the colour scheme within the app need to match the branding colours of the company so the brand becomes well-recognized and there is no confusion among users about the brand.

5.1.2 Style Requirements

- LF-S1. The app must have an attractive, responsive UI
Rationale: Users are more likely to use and come back to attractive, responsive mobile apps which helps increase the user base and branding power of the app (Johns, 2022).
- LF-S2. The app must have a minimalist design
Rationale: Minimalist designed mobile applications have faster loading times, easier navigation within the app, less maintenance and time spent on design/frontend and allow businesses to more clearly give messages to users within the application (UGEM, 2020).

5.2 Usability and Humanity Requirements

5.2.1 Ease of Use Requirements

- UH-EOU1. The product must be easy to use for people aged 18 years or older
Rationale: The intended audience of this application is adults who need to carpool, so anyone 18 or older must find the app easy to understand and use. People under this age may use the app but most likely their rides would be booked by parents/guardians, so the focus is on this age range.
- UH-EOU2. The user must not encounter any unclear prompts from which they do not know how to proceed
Rationale: If the app is prompting the user to do something, that prompt must be clear and easy to understand so it is easy for the user to use the app.
- UH-EOU3. The user must not encounter any errors while using the app, and if they do, what to do next must be clear
Rationale: The app must not show the user any errors while they are using it to prevent confusion and to make the app easy to use. On the chance an error does appear to the user, it must be clear on what the user has to do next to remove the error or continue. If the error is generic and confusing to understand, the app is no longer easy to use and leaves the user in confusion.

5.2.2 Personalization and Internationalization Requirements

- UH-PI1. The product will operate in both English and French and the user will be able to set their preferred language
Rationale: The app will be available only in Canada, so it needs to contain support for both the national languages of Canada and allow the user to choose their preferred language
- UH-PI2. The product will allow the user to set their preference for dark mode and light mode
Rationale: To make the app more personal, users must be able to customize the appearance to their liking. Its important for users to enjoy the appearance of the app so allowing them to personalize dark mode or light mode will help contribute to that.

5.2.3 Learning Requirements

- UH-L1. The product must be able to be used immediately, with no learning curve required to learn how to effectively use the app.
Rationale: Mobile apps designed for general users should have no learning curve. Upon using the app for the first time, the app should be designed in such a way that the user immediately knows how to use it. If users take a while to learn how to effectively use the app, they will not come back to it.

5.2.4 Understandability and Politeness Requirements

- UH-UP1. The product must use symbols and language that are naturally understandable to the general Canadian population
Rationale: The app is aimed to be used by anyone in Canada, so the symbols and language used must be understandable by the general Canadian population. Using symbols and language or slang that is specific to a certain group or culture would make the app hard to understand for some of the target users.

5.2.5 Accessibility Requirements

- UH-A1. The product must be able to be used by partially sighted users
Rationale: A successful mobile app should be accessible to all users, no matter what physical impairments they may face. The app should allow partially sighted or blind users to use the app through their voice or some other means that does not require them to be fully sighted.

UH-A2. The product must provide captions or symbols for audio content to allow users with hearing impairments to access that content.

Rationale: A successful mobile app should be accessible to all users, no matter what physical impairments they may face. The app should allow users with hearing impairments to still access any audio content within the app through captions, symbols or some other visual means so they are still able to access the content.

UH-A3. The product must conform to the WCAG (Web Content Accessibility Guidelines) 2.0 Level AA
Rationale: The WCAG are a global standard on the accessibility of web based applications. In Ontario, all private organizations with 50 or more employees are required to be WCAG 2.0 AA accessible (Yee). Our company is not yet 50+ people but the hope is to one day get there, so implementing these accessibility features now makes for a smoother transition when the company expands.

5.3 Performance Requirements

5.3.1 Speed and Latency Requirements

PR-SL1. All responses from the product to the user must be within 50 milliseconds

Rationale: The perfect latency is between 20 to 40 milliseconds (Schoenfelder). If all product-to-user responses for our app are 50 milliseconds are better, this is an excellent latency and will bring users back to the app.

5.3.2 Safety-Critical Requirements

PR-SC1. All taxi services, drivers and other carpoolers will go through a safety check before being allowed to offer rides or join carpools on the app

Rationale: Our app connects users with random members of the public, whether that be taxi drivers or fellow carpoolers. To ensure the safety of all users of the app, all drivers and carpoolers will have to go through a safety verification process to verify their intentions and ensure that the safety of the riders is guaranteed.

5.3.3 Precision or Accuracy Requirements

PR-PA1. All monetary amounts displayed within the application must be accurate to two decimal places

Rationale: Given that this app will involve payments for the taxi rides, all payment amounts will be displayed to two decimal places, which is accurate to the number of dollars and cents for the transaction. For example, “the total cost of the ride is \$3.40”

PR-PA2. All times must be displayed in the form HH:MM PM/AM where HH is between 01 and 12.

Rationale: The app may show estimated time of arrival, which will be shown using the HH:MM format, showing only the hours and minutes and not anything more. If the app showed seconds or below it would be inaccurate and confusing for users. For example, “the estimated time of arrival is 10:04 PM”

PR-PA3. All distance measurements must be accurate to one decimal place.

Rationale: The app may show distance to a destination or how far the driver is from picking you up. These should be shown with one decimal place as more decimal places would make it harder to understand and would make it lose meaning. For example, “your driver is 3.2 km away”

5.3.4 Reliability and Availability Requirements

PR-RA1. The product must be available for use 24 hours per day, 365 days per year

Rationale: An app that allows users to book carpool rides should be available 24/7, 365 days

a year because users should be able to book a carpool at any time of the day on any day of the year.

PR-RA2. The product must perform without failure in 98% of use cases

Rationale: Failures are expected to occur in any software application, but if the app performs without failure for the majority of uses then it can be deemed to be a reliable application that only fails on the rare occasion

PR-RA3. The mean time to restore the product following a failure must not be greater than 10 minutes

Rationale: When the product does fail, it should recover and become usable again within 10 minutes max, otherwise users will begin to question the reliability and usage of the app.

5.3.5 Robustness or Fault-Tolerance Requirements

PR-RFT1. The product must continue to be usable if external services it relies on go down.

Rationale: The app will rely on some external third party services, and it needs to be tolerant to faults in those systems. For example, if the app interfaces with an API from the taxi service and that API goes down, the app needs to continue to be usable. If an AWS region goes down and the app uses AWS cloud services, it must change to another region to ensure it continues to be usable.

5.3.6 Capacity Requirements

PR-C1. The product must be able to handle up to 10000 users simultaneously at any given time

Rationale: Although the app will not start with 10000 concurrent users right away, 10000 is a good estimate as to how many concurrent users the app may have within a few years of business. Given that Uber, a similar ride sharing application has millions of concurrent users, 10000 is a realistic capacity limit for this app.

5.3.7 Scalability or Extensibility Requirements

PR-SE1. The product must be able to handle any increases to the number of concurrent users

Rationale: In a previous requirement it was defined that the product should be able to handle 10000 concurrent users. Once the app scales, it should be able to handle increases to this value. Popular ride sharing app Uber serves millions of concurrent requests, so this app should be able to scale to these values as well.

5.3.8 Longevity Requirements

Not applicable

5.4 Operational and Environmental Requirements

5.4.1 Expected Physical Environment

OE-EPE1. The product must be able to be used on a mobile application in any physical environment

Rationale: The physical environment the user is in while using the app (weather, temperature, time of day) should not affect the ability to use the app whatsoever.

5.4.2 Requirements for Interfacing with Adjacent Systems

OE-IA1. The product must only interface with adjacent systems that it absolutely needs to

Rationale: The more adjacent systems that the app interfaces, the more maintenance that is needed to support all of the adjacent systems. The more of the system built in-house the better, we should only interface with adjacent systems that we absolutely have to.

5.4.3 Productization Requirements

OE-P1. The product must be distributed as a mobile application

Rationale: The product being developed is a mobile app, therefore it should only be distributed as a mobile app and nothing else.

5.4.4 Release Requirements

OE-R1. Any subsequent releases of the product must not affect backwards-compatibility with previous releases

Rationale: Backwards compatibility between releases should always be maintained so new releases do not affect the usage of users who are still using previous releases.

5.5 Maintainability and Support Requirements

5.5.1 Maintenance Requirements

MS-M1. The product must be designed in a maintainable way such that future changes are able to be easily added or removed

Rationale: Writing maintainable software allows for quicker implementation and debugging. Iterations of the product will be able to be released faster if maintainable code and design principles are followed.

5.5.2 Supportability Requirements

Not applicable.

5.5.3 Adaptability Requirements

MS-A1. The product must be able to run on Android mobile devices.

Rationale: Android makes up 69.74% of the mobile device market (statcounter). The product being built is a mobile application, so in order for the large majority of mobile device users to use the app, it must run on and Android. Furthermore, we are developing in Java which will only run on Android.

5.6 Security Requirements

5.6.1 Access Requirements

SR-AC1. General users of the application must not have access to sensitive information

Rationale: The app is designed to be used by any member of the general public, members of the general public should not have access to private or sensitive information about other users or about the taxi services

SR-AC2. Special users who are administrators and work for the company are the only users who have access to sensitive user information

Rationale: For testing, debugging and management purposes, users with higher access to sensitive data are needed. The users with this access are only people who are trusted who work for the company in an authoritative, high-ranking position.

5.6.2 Integrity Requirements

SR-INT1. The system must be secure against outside threats that look to access/change the data

Rationale: All software systems come with the threat of external hackers. We must ensure that the system is secure and cannot be hacked, otherwise data can be changed and it will no longer be consistent, violating data integrity

SR-INT2. All data input into the database will be automated where possible

Rationale: A big cause of data inconsistency in software applications is manual input. It is much easier for a human to make a mistake while manually inputting data than it is for an automated process to input data to the database. To maintain integrity of the data, the system should eliminate the risk of manual data input mistakes as much as possible.

5.6.3 Privacy Requirements

SR-P1. The product must notify the user whenever they are required to enter private information

Rationale: The user should be aware whenever they are entering personal or private information so they can make an informed decision on whether they want to enter that information.

SR-P2. The product must guarantee that all private information is kept secure

Rationale: Any private information from the user such as their password, address and other sensitive information should be secured through verified security measures, hashing, locking, whatever needs to be used to guarantee data privacy.

5.6.4 Audit Requirements

SR-AU1. All releases of the product must conform to the guidelines of the Android mobile app store

Rationale: Whenever an app is released to the app store, whether brand new or an updated release, it must go through the app store's review process. Audits must be done within the company before the app is released to ensure the app passes all guidelines.

5.6.5 Immunity Requirements

SR-IM1. The product must be immune to infection from unauthorized malicious attackers

Rationale: There are many types of malware that can attack software, SQL injections, trojan horses, viruses. The system must be immune to infection from all of these, to ensure data privacy and security is maintained at all times.

5.7 Cultural and Political Requirements

5.7.1 Cultural Requirements

CP-C1. All numbering systems, road systems and any other systems must use the Canadian standard

Rationale: The app will initially be launched in Canada only, so all systems will use the Canadian standard. Metric system for numbering and measurements, Canadian road systems, everything that requires a national standard will use the Canadian standard.

5.7.2 Political Requirements

CP-P1. The product must not use any emojis, language or symbols that could be considered offensive

Rationale: Given that our app is designed to be used by anyone in the general Canadian population, we must ensure that no controversial language or emojis are used. Many cultural, ethnic and religious groups will exist within the userbase and some words or symbols or emojis might be offensive to a certain group, which must be prevented.

5.8 Legal Requirements

5.8.1 Compliance Requirements

LR-COMP1. The product must comply with the Data Protection Act

Rationale: Any Canadian product that deals with personal information from users. This app deals with lots of personal user information, so it must be implemented in a way that complies with the Data Protection Act

5.8.2 Standards Requirements

LR-STD1. The development and implementation of the product must conform to the IEEE and ISO standards

Rationale: Both the IEEE and ISO are well-defined, internationally acclaimed standards for engineering projects. The development of this product will follow the standards defined in IEEE and ISO to ensure consistency across the team.

A Division of Labour

Include a Division of Labour sheet which indicates the contributions of each team member. This sheet must be signed by all team members.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- Be sure to include all sections of the template in your document regardless whether you have something to write for each or not
 - If you do not have anything to write in a section, indicate this by the *N/A*, *void*, *none*, etc.
- Uniquely number each of your requirements for easy identification and cross-referencing
- Highlight terms that are defined in Section 1.3 (**Definitions, Acronyms, and Abbreviations**) with **bold**, *italic* or underline
- For Deliverable 1, please highlight, in some fashion, all (you may have more than one) creative and innovative features. Your creative and innovative features will generally be described in Section 2.2 (**Product Functions**), but it will depend on the type of creative or innovative features you are including.