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Exercises – Specifying Use Cases

The exercise for this movie depends very much on the capabilities of the modelling tool that you are using.

Investigate what methods your modelling tool provides for specifying use cases and linking use case descriptions to the use cases in your UML model.

Possibilities are:

- Activity diagrams
- Sequence diagrams
- Use case descriptions
    - On the file system
    - On the file system and linked to model elements
    - As notes or in a textual descriptions field
    - As linked documents held in the repository
    - As a structured scenario

A good source of information on use case descriptions is:

Alistair Cockburn, *Writing Effective Use Cases*, Pearson, 2008, ISBN-13 978-8177589078.