

Categorical Definition of Requirements

To-do

- ✓ Define the set of requirements R . ✓ 2025-11-28
- ✓ Add cat theory elements - products, limits, composed morphisms. ✓ 2025-12-02
- ✓ Make the definitions below more cat-theory-like. ✓ 2025-11-28

Preliminary Definitions

Let E be a category.

$Objs(E)$ is the set of Electro-mechanical devices plus $\{\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{B}\}$.

Let F be the object representing the Flashlight, $F \in Objs(E)$.

Let \mathbb{R} be the real numbers (measurements), and \mathbb{B} be the Boolean object $\{true, false\}$.

FR-001: White Light

Colour temperature measurement in °K using a colour meter device $cmeter$:

Given $I = \{Dark, Dim, Bright\}$ representing the torch output.

$$\begin{aligned} cmeter : I &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ cmeter(Dark) &= 0 \\ cmeter(Dim) &\in [5000, 6000] \\ cmeter(Bright) &\in [5000, 6000] \end{aligned}$$

FR-002 & FR-003: Controls

Let $S = \{Off, Low, High\}$ be the set of internal states of F .

Let $\Phi = Sy^S \rightarrow Iy^A$ be the dynamic system representing the behaviour of F .

$A = \{next!\}$ representing the user input - $next!$ represent the input from a single switch.

Initial State: $\Phi_0 : S \times A \rightarrow S = (-, -) \rightarrow Off$

Inspect State:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_1 : S &\rightarrow I = \\ Off &= Dark \\ Low &= Dim \\ High &= Bright \end{aligned}$$

Next State:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^\# : S \times A &\rightarrow S = (Off, next!) = Low \\ (Low, next!) &= High \\ (High, next!) &= Off \end{aligned}$$

FR-004: Replaceable Battery

See IR-002

PR-001 & PR-002: Lumen Output

Let l_{meter} be a Lux meter with an integrating sphere producing a Lumens measurement \mathbb{R} .

$l_{meter} : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $l_{meter}(Dark) = 0$
 $l_{meter}(Dim) \in [50, 60]$
 $l_{meter}(Bright) \in [500, 550]$

500 Lumens is Approximately 5250 Candelas.

PR-003: Beam Distance

Let l_{meter} be a Lux meter *without* an integrating sphere, producing a Lux measurement \mathbb{R} at distance d metres from F .

$l_{meter} : I \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $l_{meter}(Bright, 400) \geq 0.25$

Rule of thumb: the usable distance is approximately 25% of the distance where the lux value drops off to 0.25, so measuring at 400m should give a usable distance of 100m.

PR-004 & PR-005: Run Time

I is the current consumption in mA.
 C is the battery capacity in mAh.

$$T = \frac{C}{I}$$

$$T_{high} = \frac{C}{I_{high}} \wedge T_{high} \geq 2$$
$$T_{low} = \frac{C}{I_{low}} T_{low} \wedge T_{low} \geq 10$$

PhR-001: Power Source

See FR-004

Phr-002: Material and Durability

$housing : F \rightarrow H$ where H is the torch housing.
 $H \subset Aluminium \wedge H \subset Anodised$

For normal usage:

Y is the years of life, H is the hours of use, C number of operational cycles.
Batteries excluded from durability.

Constraints:

$$Y \geq 5$$
$$H \geq 2000$$
$$C \geq 100000$$

PhR-003: Weight

$scale : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a weight measurement function returning a weight in grams.
 $scale(f) \leq 200$

PhR-004: Dimensions

Let $length : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function that returns the length of F in units of cm.
 Let $width : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function that returns the width of F in units of cm.
 Let $height : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function that returns the height of F in units of cm.

$length(f) \leq 15 \wedge length(f) \geq 8$
 $width(f) \leq 3 \wedge width(f) \geq 0.5$
 $height(f) \leq 3 \wedge height(f) \geq 0.5$

PhR-005: IPX4

Let $water : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function that measures the amount of liquid water inside the torch.
 Let $spray : F \rightarrow F'$ be a water spray from all directions for 10 minutes.

$water(spray(F)) = 0$

IR-001: User Interface

Let $tail : H \rightarrow T$ be a function that returns the tail cap T from the housing H
 Let $switch : T \rightarrow S$ be a function that returns the switch S from the tail cap T .

$s = switch(tail(housing(f))) \wedge s \in P$ where P is the set of momentary action push button switches.

The sets A and I from FR-002 and FR-003 also form part of the interface.

The switch $s \in S$ implements A and the light source $l \in L$, where L is the set of LEDs, implements I .

IR-002: Battery Access

Also FR-004.

Let $case : F \rightarrow C \times T$ be a function that returns the case C and the tail cap T from a torch F .
 Let $battery : C \rightarrow B$ be a function that returns the battery B from a case C .

$replace_{batt} : F \times B \rightarrow F' \times B' : replace_{batt}(f, b_{new}) = (f', b_{old})$
 and
 $battery(case(f)) = b_{old}$
 $battery(case(f')) = b_{new}$

ER-001: Operating Temperature Range

Let F be a torch that satisfies the requirements R , i.e. $F \vdash R$.
 Let $cold : F \rightarrow F$ be a function that cools F to -10°C .
 Let $hot : F \rightarrow F$ be a function that heats F to 40°C .

$F \vdash R \wedge cold(F) \vdash R \wedge hot(F) \vdash R$

ER-002: Drop Resistance

Let $drop : F \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow F$ be a function that drops a torch F from a height \mathbb{R} in metres onto a concrete surface.

$F \vdash R \wedge drop(F, 1) \vdash R$

$F \vdash R \wedge \text{drop}(\text{drop}(F, 1), 1) \vdash R$ is not necessarily true.

SR-001: Non-Incendive

Let $\text{heat_test}: F \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times S \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ be a function that tests a torch $f \in F$ at a temperature \mathbb{R} in °C for a duration \mathbb{R} minutes, in state S , and returns *true* if fire is detected, and *false* if it is not.

$\text{heat_test}(f, 40, 180, \text{High}) = \text{false}$

I.e. the highest output for the longest duration in the hottest expected environment should not cause a fire.

FR-005: Beam Width/Angle

Let $\text{beam_width}: F \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function that measures the minimum beam width in metres of a torch F at distance \mathbb{R} in metres.

$w = \text{beam_width}(f, 3) \wedge w \geq 1 \wedge w \leq 3$ (constraint C_1)

Let α be the beam angle measured in degrees at the light source, then:

$C_1 \Rightarrow \alpha \in [18, 53]$

BR-001: Costs, Profit, Etc

$\text{Revenue} = \text{Price} \times \text{Sales}$

$\text{Costs} = \text{Fixed} + \text{Variable}$

$\text{Fixed} = \text{Design} + \text{Salaries} + \text{Rent}$

$\text{Variable} = \text{Sales} \times (\text{Materials} + \text{Labour} + \text{Shipping})$

$\text{Profit} = \text{Revenue} - \text{Costs}$

$\text{Sales} \geq 5000 \wedge \text{Price} \geq 15 \Rightarrow \text{Revenue} \geq 75000$

$\text{Profit} = 0.2 \times \text{Revenue} \Rightarrow \text{Profit} \geq 15000 \Rightarrow \text{Costs} \leq 0.8 \times \text{Revenue}$

Finally

👍 Don't forget the To-do list 🟢 2025-11-27

Notes/Observations

- A measurable requirement can be constrained - the measurement is produced by an activity which can be modelled in HQDM.