

# Requirement Modelling with UML Use Case Erik Perjons



## **Questions to answer**

- What is requirement engineering?
- Why is requirement engineering important?
- How can you use models to support requirement engineering?



#### **Requirements and Models**

## **Real World and Models**





## **Requirement Engineering (in Real World)**



## **Requirement Engineering Models**





# Requirement Engineering (in the Real World)

## **Requirement Engineering**



 Requirement Engineering is the process of gathering, defining, organizing, prioritizing, documenting, quality assuring and maintaining requirements



### Requirement

• Requirement is a desirable

property/feature/attribute/quality/capacity of a system

## **Functional Requirement**



- Requirements can be categorized into functional and non-functional requirements
- Functional requirements are functions that a system should perform. That is, "what" a system should do
- Examples of functional requirements:
  - The sytem should be able to register an order
  - The sytem should be able to register an new customer
  - The system should be able to find a customer when searching after a registered customer in the system by using customer id or customer name

## **Non-functional Requirement**



- Non-functional requirements are requirements of how a system should perform the functions of the system
- Non-functional requirement are related to performance, reliability, usability, security, platform constraints, etc
- Examples of non-functional requirements:
  - The system must be able to handle 100 orders in parallel
  - The system must be able to integrate with systems in a Microsoft platform

## **Requirement Specification**



- Requirement specification is a document specifying the requirements of a system.
- The core of the requirement specification is, therefore, the functional and non-functional requirements
- Usually the requirement specification also describe the context of the requirements, such as which business problems should be addressed by the system and/or the business processes that should be supported by the system

## **Requirement Specification and Models**

- The requirement specification can consist of only text or both text and models:
  - Functional requirements can be listed in form of text or as a combination of diagram and text (e.g. UML Use Case Diagram and Use Case Description)
  - The context of the requitements can be be described in form of text and/or models, e.g. business process models



# **Why Requirement Engineering?**

- The major reason for failure in system development is shortcoming in requirement engineering, such as:
  - no requirements have been gathered at all
  - not all users (or other stakeholders) have been involved in the requirement gathering
  - users do not know what they want before they use the system in actual business process instances
  - the requirements are vaguely stated
- The requirements are central in the development of a system and are often the things that drive the development process



#### UML Use Case



#### **UML Use Case Diagram**





### **UML Use Case Diagram**



## **Use Case Description**



#### Use case description

describe the interaction between a user and the system

 The look of the use case description is not specified in UML

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Actor: Goal:	Student Student shall be registered for the course
Main scenario:	<ol> <li>Student wants to see available courses</li> <li>System presents the cources</li> <li>Student chooses a course</li> <li>Systemet confirms registration of the chosen course</li> </ol>

## **Use Case Model**



Use case model – consists of Use case diagram and Use case descriptions



## **Guidelines for the Use Case Model**



- **Guideline:** Create one Use case description for each use case in the Use case diagram
- Guideline: Use the same name of the use case in the descrption as in the use case diagram
   Use case!: Register for exam



## **More about Use Case Description**

- Guideline: The main scenario shall be divided into a set of steps, which each need to:
  - start with who is carrying out the step (the actor or the system)
  - be simple and precise statements of what are communicated between the actor and the system

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