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## **Requirements Engineering**

### **Week 2, Lectures 3+4:**

**Specification of functionality:**

**Data reqts: Lau:2,**

**Functional reqts part 1: Lau:3.1-3.5**

**Lau:3.6 – 3.16, 4**

**Tutorial on a tool called reqT used at Lab1 & Lab2.**

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# Specifying functional requirements

## **Data requirements:**

(a kind of functional reqs)  
describes data formats of  
input & output  
describes what data  
the system should store

## **(Other) Functional reqs:**

describes the mapping between  
input & output  
describes how information  
should be processed

[Lau:2-5]

# Overview of techniques for functional requirements (Swedish terms)

## Datakravstilar:

- Datamodell  
( =E/R-diagr.)
- Dataordlista
- Reguljära uttryck
- Virtuella fönster

## Funktionella kravstilar:

- Kontextdiagram
- Händelse- & Funktionslistor
- Produktegenskapskrav
- Skärmbilder & Prototyper
- Uppgiftsbeskrivningar
- Egenskaper från uppgifter
- Uppgifter och stöd
- (Levande) Scenarier
- Högnivåuppgifter
- Användningsfall
- Uppgifter med data
- Dataflödesdiagram
- Standardkrav
- Krav på utvecklingsprocessen

## Funktionella detaljer:

- Enkla och sammansatta funktioner
- Tabeller & Beslutstabeller
- Textuella processbeskrivningar
- Tillståndsdigram
- Övergångsmatriser
- Aktivitetsdiagram
- Klassdiagram
- Samarbetsdiagram
- Sekvensdiagram

## Speciella gränssnitt

- Rapporter
- Plattformskrav
- Produktintegration
- Tekniska gränssnitt

*First read the "gray box" of all styles so that you understand what they are about and their pros and cons. Then read in depth as needed.*



# Data requirements

## Examples:

- Mobile Subscriber data (roaming data, phone book items,)
- Image data (date, resolution, name, category),
- Music data (album, artist, genre, name, frequency played, rating), ...

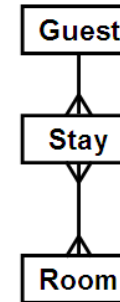
## Techniques for modelling data in [Lauesen]:

- Data model (e.g. E/R-diagrams)
- Data dictionary
- Data expressions
- Virtual windows

# Data requirements techniques – Summary

## ■ Data model (E/R-diagr.)

- ◆ Block diagram describing data inside and outside the product
- ◆ Precise and insensitive to abstraction level
- ◆ Excellent for experts – difficult for users; takes time to learn
- ◆ Easy to verify by experts that the data is handled by the product
- ◆ Difficult to decide how much detail should be included in the model



**Class: Guest** [Notes a, b ... refer to guidelines]

The guest is the person or company who has to stay records. A company may have none [b, c]. In the database we only use "guest" [a]. The person called guests, but are not guests in database terms.

### Examples

1. A guest who stays one night.
2. A company with employees staying now and a record where his name is recorded [d].
3. A guest with several rooms within the same

### Attributes

name: Text, 50 chars [h]  
The name stated by the guest [f]. For the bill is sent there [g]. Longer name registration time than at print out time

passport: Text, 12 chars [h]  
Recorded for guests who are obviously reports in case the guest doesn't pay

## ■ Data dictionary

- ◆ Textual description of data inside and outside the product
- ◆ Structured and systematic descriptions using verbal text
- ◆ Very expressive, can be used for all levels of detail and special cases
- ◆ Easy to validate by experts and non-experts
- ◆ Takes long time to write; when is it good enough? (Start with difficult parts!!)

## ■ Data expressions (regular expressions)

- ◆ Compact formulas for describing data sequences
- ◆ Useful for composite data and message protocols
- ◆ Excellent for experts, acceptable for many users
- ◆ No visual overview

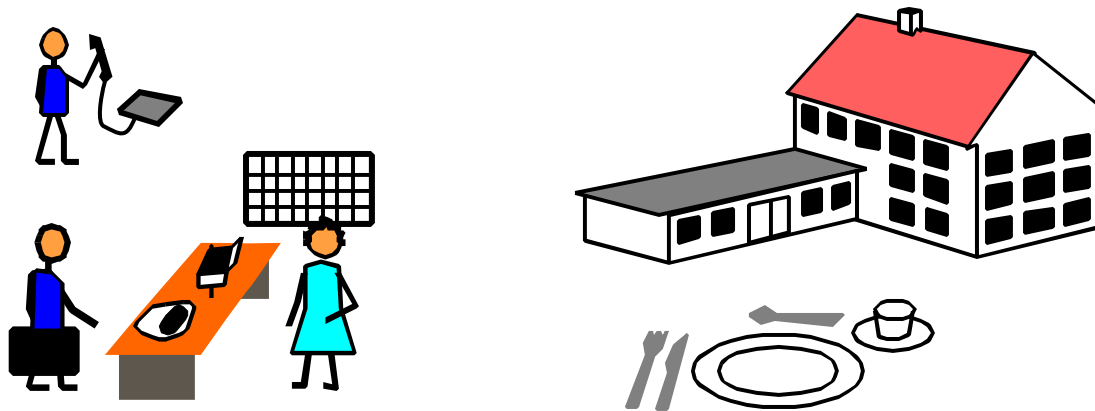
passport number = letter + {digit}\*8  
 room state = { free | booked | occupied | repair }  
 account data = transfer + {account record}\* + done

## ■ Virtual windows

- ◆ Simplified screens with graphics and realistic data, but no buttons and menus
- ◆ Excellent for both experts and users
- ◆ Easy to validate and verify
- ◆ Risk of overdoing it and start designing the user interface

		Stay#: 714	
<b>Guest</b>			
Name:	John Simpson		
Address:	456 Orange Grove Victoria 3745		
Payment:	Visa	▼	
	Item	#pers	
	7/8 Room 12, sgl	1	600
	8/8 Breakf. rest	1	40
	8/8 Room 11, dbl	2	800
	9/8 Breakf. room	2	120
	9/8 Room 11, dbl	2	800

# Fig 2.1 The hotel system



**Task list**  
Book guest  
Checkin  
Checkout  
Change room  
Breakfast list &  
other services

**Data about**  
Guests  
Rooms  
Services

## **Fig 2.3 Data dictionary**

### **Class: Guest** [Notes a, b ... refer to guidelines]

The guest is the person or company who has to pay the bill. A guest has one or more stay records. A company may have none [b, c]. “Customer” is a synonym for guest, but in the database we only use “guest” [a]. The persons staying in the rooms are also called guests, but are not guests in database terms [a].

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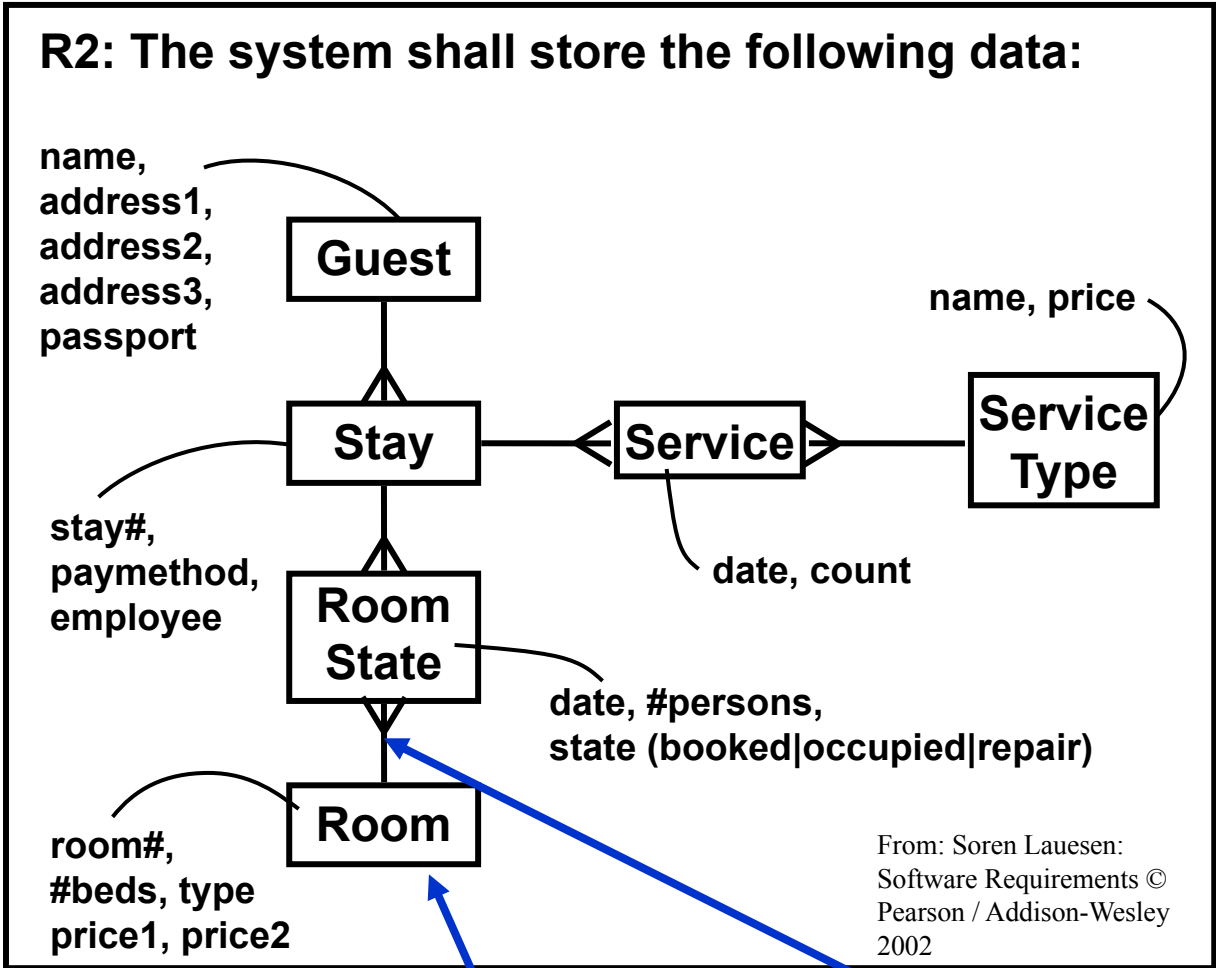
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Recorded for guests who are obviously foreigners [f, i]. Used for police reports in case the guest doesn't pay [g] . . .



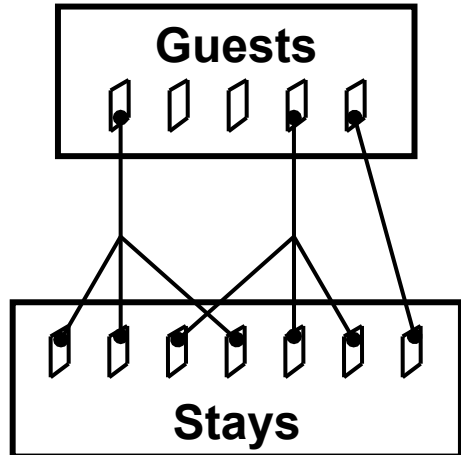
# Fig 2.2A Data model (E/R-diagram)



*Entities and Relationships*

## One-to-many (1:m)

Each guest connected to zero or more stays



Each stay connected to one guest record

*Cardinality of relations*

## Fig 2.4A Data expressions

### **Notation with plus as concatenator**

booking request = guest data + period + room type

guest data = guest name + address + paymethod  
+ [passport number]

passport number = letter + {digit}\*8

room state = { free | booked | occupied | repair }

account data = transfer + {account record}\* + done

# Fig 2.5 Virtual Windows

**R1:** The product shall store data corresponding to the following virtual windows:

**Stay#: 714**

**Guest**

Name: John Simpson

Address: 456 Orange Grove  
Victoria 3745

Payment: Visa ▼

Item	#pers	
7/8 Room 12, sgl	<input type="text" value="1"/>	600
8/8 Breakf. rest	<input type="text" value="1"/>	40
8/8 Room 11, dbl	<input type="text" value="2"/>	800
9/8 Breakf. room	<input type="text" value="2"/>	120
9/8 Room 11, dbl	<input type="text" value="2"/>	800

**R2:** The final screens shall look like the virtual windows ??

**Breakfast 9/8**

R#	In rest	In room
11	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>
12	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>

**Service charges**

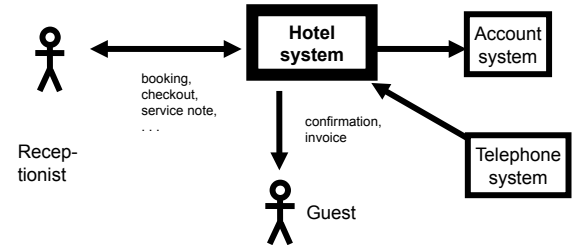
Breakf. rest.	<input type="text" value="40"/>
Breakf. room	<input type="text" value="60"/>
...	

<b>Rooms</b>					7/8	8/8	9/8	10/8
11	Double	Bath	800	600		O	B	
12	Single	Toil	600		O	O	B	B
13	Double	Toil	600	500		B	B	B

# Functional Requirements Part 1 Summary

## Context Diagram

- ◆ Diagram of product and its surrounding
- ◆ Defining product scope
- ◆ Very useful!



## Event- and function lists

- ◆ Lists of events and functions
  - Domain or product level
- ◆ Good as checklists at verification
- ◆ Validation at product level?

**R1:** The product shall **support** the following business events / user activities / tasks:

- R1.1 Guest books
- R1.2 Guest checks in
- R1.3 ...

## Feature requirements

- ◆ Textual requirement: "the product shall ..."
- ◆ High expressive power
- ◆ Acceptable to most stakeholders
- ◆ Can lead to false sense of security
  - How to ensure that goal-level covered?

R1: The product shall be able to record that a room is occupied for repair in a specified period.

R2: The product shall ....

R3: The product shall ....

## Screens and Prototypes

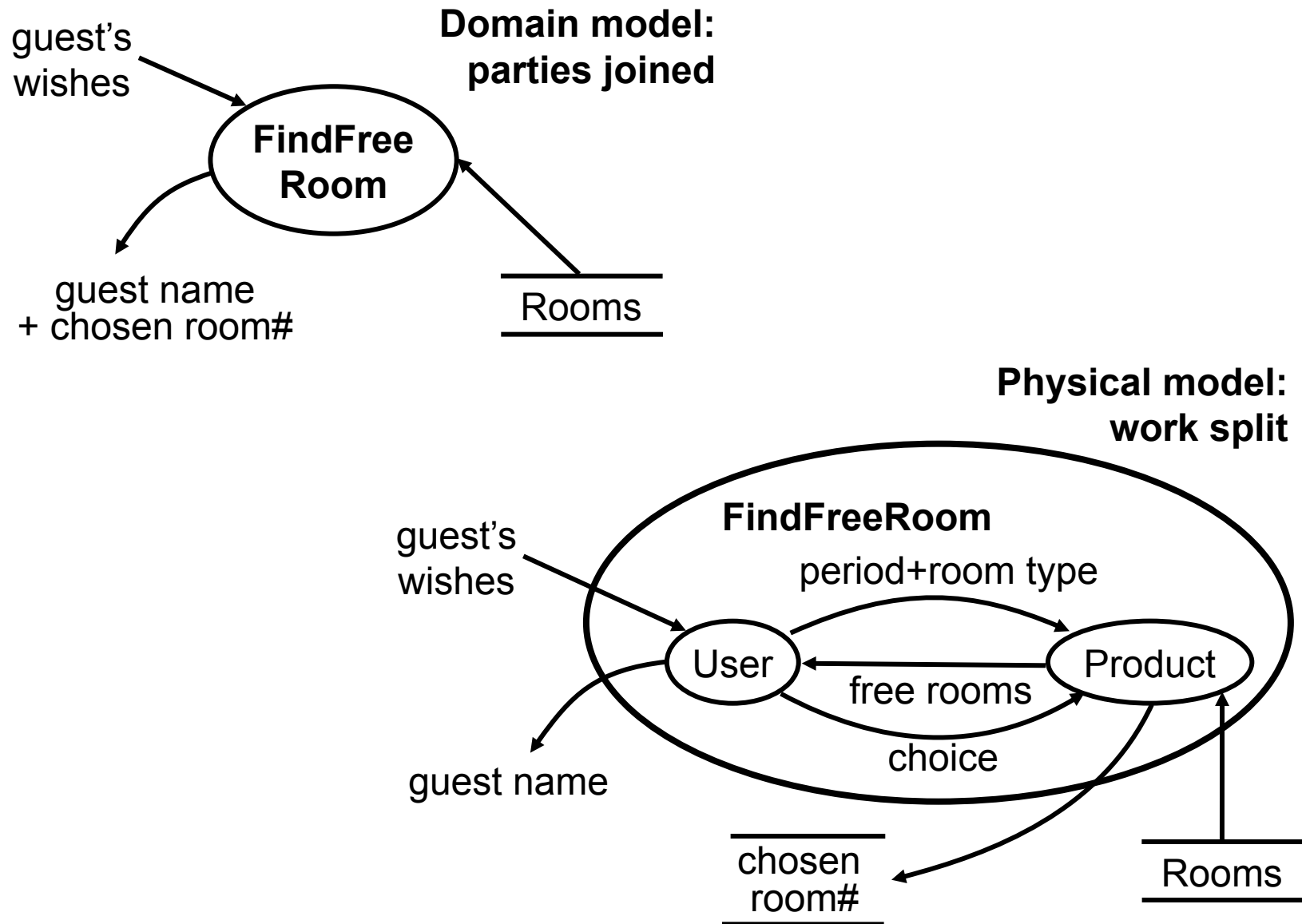
- ◆ Screen pictures + what buttons do
- ◆ Excellent as design-level requirements if carefully tested
- ◆ Not good when for COTS-based systems

Stay # 714

Guest name: John Simpson  
Address: 456 Orange Grove, Victoria 3745, AU, Phone: 453333366, Paymethod: Cash, Passport: A102103512

Date		#Persons	Amount	
07-09-98	Room 12, rgl	1	600	
08-09-98	Breakf. rest	1	40	
08-09-98	Room 11, dbl	2	800	Delete line Del
09-09-98	Breakf. room	2	120	Change room F9
09-09-98	Room 11, dbl	2	800	Add line F10

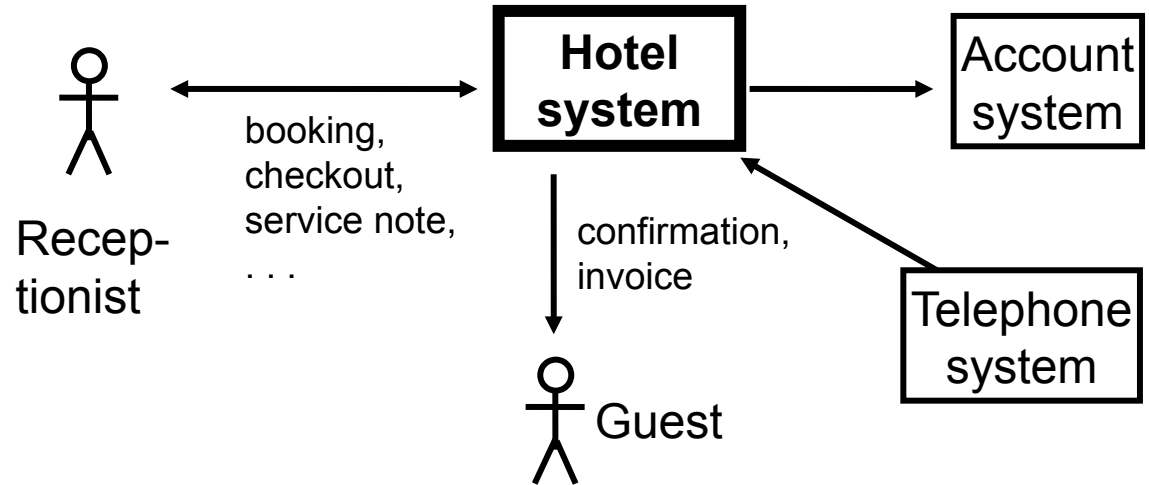
# Fig 3.1 Human-computer - who does what?



## Fig 3.2 Context diagram

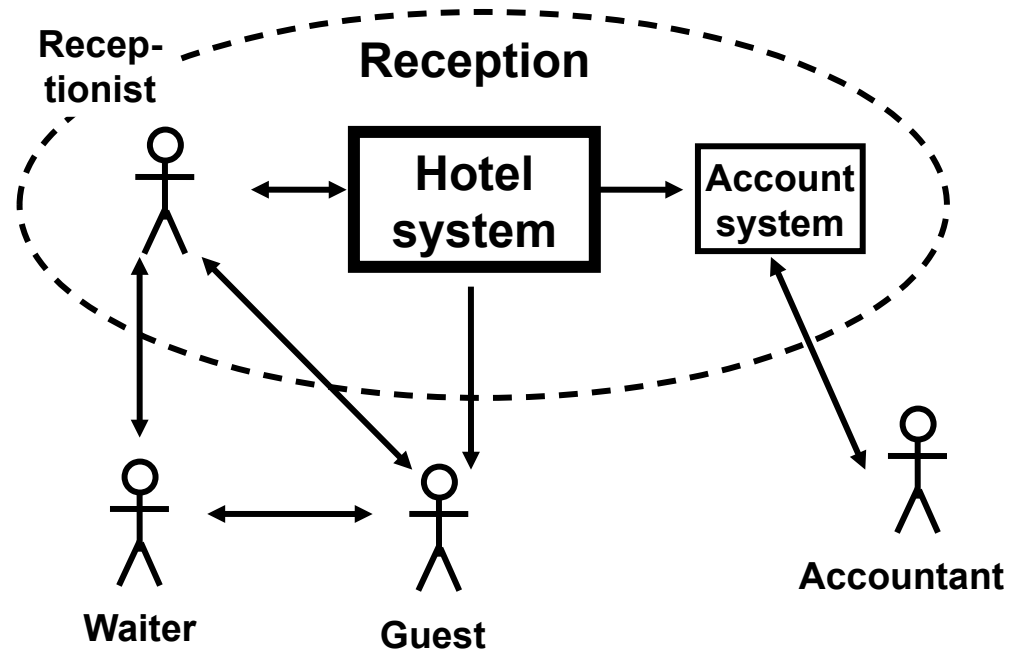
### R1:

The product shall have the following interfaces:



### R2 ??:

The reception domain communicates with the surroundings in this way:



## Fig 3.3 Event list & function list

### Domain events (business events)

**R1:** The product shall **support** the following business events / user activities / tasks:

- R1.1 Guest books
- R1.2 Guest checks in
- R1.3 Guest checks out
- R1.4 Change room
- R1.5 Service note arrives
- ...

Domain-product:  
many-to-many

### Product events

**R2:** The product shall **handle** the following events / The product shall **provide** the following functions:

#### **User interface:**

- R2.1 Find free room
- R2.2 Record guest
- R2.3 Find guest
- R2.4 Record booking
- R2.5 Print confirmation
- R2.6 Record checkin
- R2.7 Checkout
- R2.8 Record service

#### **Accounting interface:**

- R2.9 Periodic transfer of account data
- ...

## Fig 3.4 Feature requirements

- R1: The product shall be able to record that a room is occupied for repair in a specified period.
- R2: The product shall be able to show and print a suggestion for staffing during the next two weeks based on historical room occupation. The supplier shall specify the calculation details.
- R3: The product shall be able to run in a mode where rooms are not booked by room number, but only by room type. Actual room allocation is not done until checkin.
- R4: The product shall be able to print out a sheet with room allocation for each room booked under one stay.

Feature =  
product function +  
related data

In order to handle group tours with several guests, it is convenient to prepare for arrival by printing out a sheet per guest for the guest to fill in.



# What is a 'feature'?

Some possible definitions:

1. A textual shall-statement requirement
2. A releasable characteristic of a (software-intensive) product
3. A (high-level, coherent) bundle of requirements
4. A 'decision unit' that can be 'in' or 'out' of a release plan depending on:
  - ◆ What it gives (investment return)
  - ◆ What it takes (investment costs)
  - ◆ Politics, Beliefs, Loyalties, Preferences ...

## Fig 3.5A Screens & prototypes

R1: The product shall use the screen pictures shown in App. xx.

R2: The menu points and buttons shall work according to the process description in App. yy.

Error messages shall have texts as in

**Certificate: The requirements engineer has usability tested this design according to the procedures in App. zz.**

R3: Novice users shall be able to perform task tt on their own in mm minutes.

The customer imagines screens like those in App. xx.

**Makes sense?**

# Fig 3.5B Screens & prototypes

## Appendix xx. Required screens

The screenshot shows two overlapping windows. The 'Rooms' window at the top has fields for 'First day' (06-08-01), 'Kind' (dbl, bath), and '# of days' (2), with a 'Find' button. The 'Stay' window below it contains the following information:

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Action buttons: Book (F3), Print confirm (F4), Checkin (F5), Checkout (F6), Cancel stay (F8), Delete line (Del), Chnge room (F9), Add line (F10).

## Appendix yy. Required functions

### Stay window

#### Book:

...

#### Checkin:

If stay is booked, record the booked rooms as occupied.

If stay is not recorded,

Check selected rooms free and guest information complete.

Record guest and stay.

Record selected rooms as occupied.

If stay is checked in, ...

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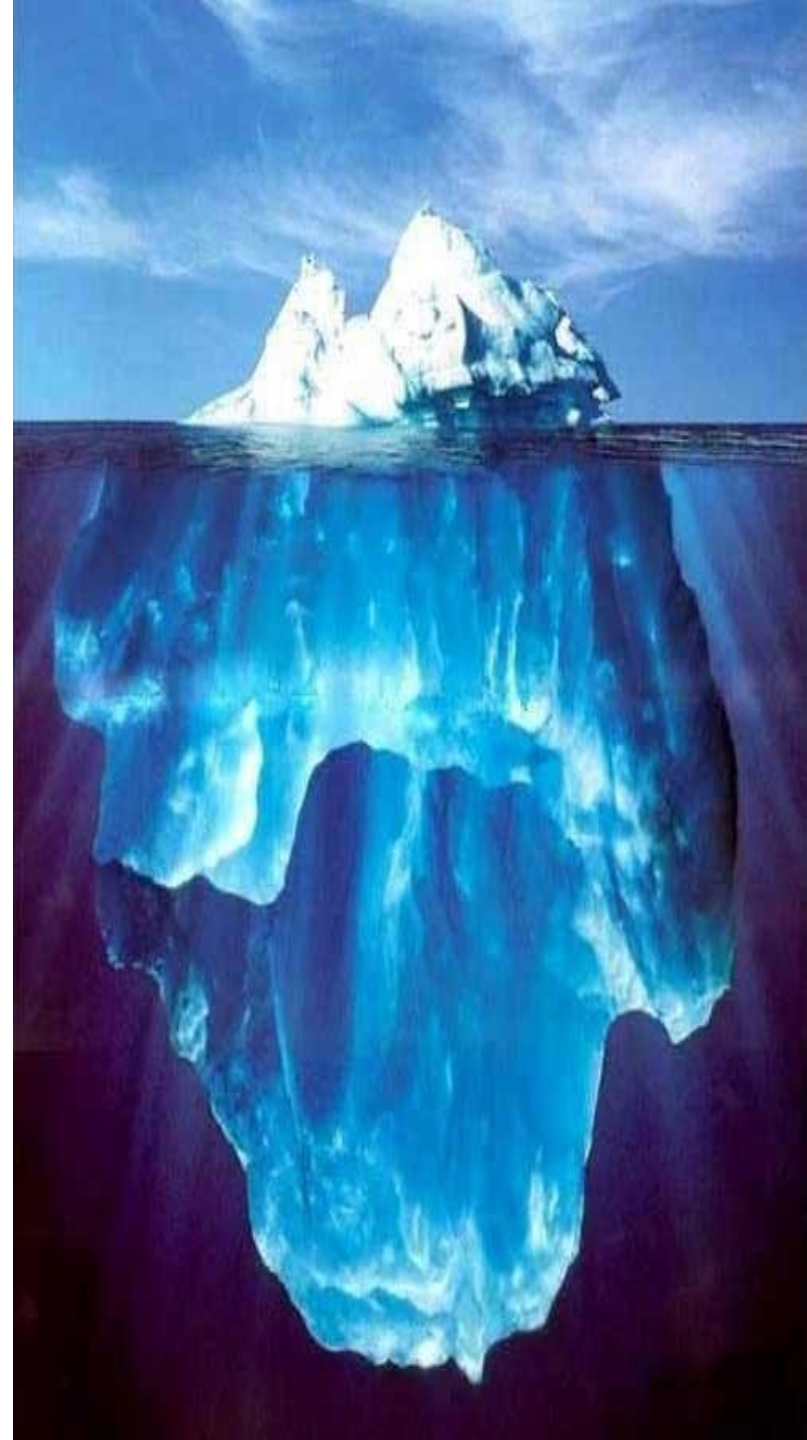
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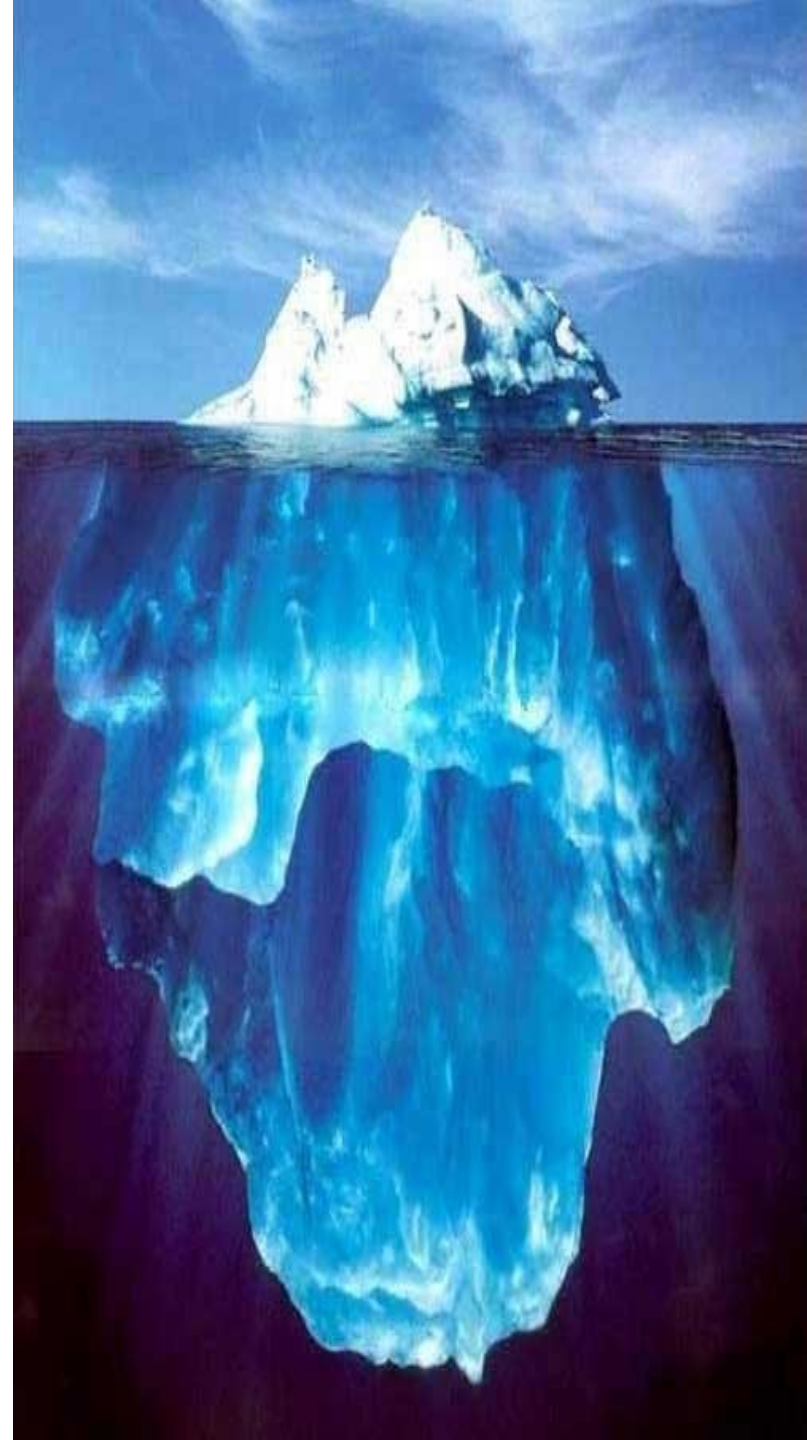
# Different types of requirements abstraction

- Hierarchical decomposition (nested bundling)
- Level of detail (degree of completeness)
- Goal-design scale
  - ◆ goal: why: intentional level
  - ◆ domain: who: context level
  - ◆ product: what: functions+data
  - ◆ design: how: "inside" product



# Complete requirements?

- In practice you cannot specify everything to the last detail!
- What is good enough?  
-> Depends on the context
- Tip: Focus on the reqs that have the largest risk of...
  - ◆ misinterpretation by stakeholders
  - ◆ misfit of the final system
- Do not spend large efforts on the “easy” requirements that everybody already knows much about
- Do pre-studies: conceptual and feasibility studies, prototypes etc. to ...
  - ◆ ... reduce risks
  - ◆ “jump” between abstraction levels



# Terminology confusion:

## Scenario, Task, Use Case, User Story

(sv: scenario, uppgift, användningsfall, användarberättelse)

### Scenario =

(1) A general term for all types of example-based dynamic descriptions of system usage (Usability Engineering 'Tasks', UML 'Use cases', Scrum 'User Stories', etc.

(2) A specific realisation (instance) of a use case

(3) A detailed narrative describing an experience of a user, also known as "vivid scenario"

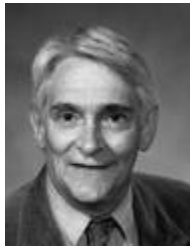
(4) Future scenarios, possible future events /outcomes, in e.g. risk management

...

**In addition there are many variants of Use Cases, Tasks, etc (Jacobson, Cockburn, Lauesen, ... )**

# A brief history of scenarios-based requirements

- Scenario-based requirements have been around for a while:
  - ◆ Task descriptions from Usability Engineering, e.g. J.F. Allen '80ies, J.M. Carroll '90ies
  - ◆ Scenario-based RE. e.g. J.W. Hooper, P. Hsia (1982), Potts (1995), Sutcliffe (1998)
  - ◆ Message Sequence Charts within Telecom, SDL'87
- 1992: Ivar Jacobson coined the term "**use case**" in his book "OOSE"
- Mid 1990ies: "*three amigos*" (Booch, Rumbaugh, Jacobson) at Rational (later IBM) -> UML, RUP
- 2001: Beck starts agile movement with "**user stories**"  
*As a <user> I want <action> so that <purpose>*
- 2011: Lauesen publishes study on use cases vs tasks; use cases are questioned...



John M.  
Carroll



Grady  
Booch



James  
Rumbaugh



Ivar  
Jacobson



Colin  
Potts



Alistair  
Sutcliffe



Kent  
Beck



Søren  
Lauesen



# Användningsfall - begrepp

## *Use case - concepts*

### Actor

– a category of users, a user role

### Use case

– fulfills a goal in a usage context

### Scenario (*several different other meanings*)

– a specific realization of a use case

### *Examples:*

- **ATM machine: “Withdraw money”**  
(enter card, enter code...)
- **Word processor: “Check spelling”**  
(select paragraph, select dictionary...)

## Good for what?

### Aktör

– en kategori av användare, roll

### Användningsfall

– måluppfyllande användningssituation

### Scenario (*används i flera andra betydelser*)

– en specifik realisering

### *Exempel:*

- **Bankomat: “Ta ut pengar”**  
(stoppa in kort, knappa in kod ...)
- **Ordbehandling: “Kontrollera stavning”**  
(välj stycke, välj ordlista ...)

## Bra till vadå?

# **Some advantages with (example-based) dynamic models of system usage**

- Easy to understand by non-engineers (if not too abstract)
- Gives a dynamic perspective on requirements
- Can relate requirements at different abstraction levels
- Can provide a structure for requirements
- Good for modeling functional requirements
- Can support traceability
- Can be a good basis for test cases

# Traps and pitfalls with scenario-based requirements

- Too much details – ”over specification”
- Too few details – ”under specification”
- Fragmentations
- Premature design
- Non-uniform specifications
  - ◆ Structure, content, level of abstr., terminology, ...
- Inconsistent specification
  - ◆ Mutually contradictory specifications
- Incomplete specifications
- Functional decomposition -> bad OO design

## Fig 3.6A Task descriptions

**Work area:** 1. Reception

Service guests - small and large issues. Normally standing. Frequent interrupts. Often alone, e.g. during night.

**Users:** Reception experience, IT novice.

**R1: The product shall support tasks 1.1 to 1.5**

Missing sub-task?

**Task:** 1.1 Booking

**Purpose:** Reserve room for a guest.

**Task:** 1.2 Checkin

**Purpose:** Give guest a room. Mark it as occupied. Start account.

**Trigger/**

**Precondition:** A guest arrives

**Frequency:** Average 0.5 checkins/room/day

**Critical:** Group tour with 50 guests.

**Sub-tasks:**

1. Find room
2. Record guest as checked in
3. Deliver key

**Variants:**

- 1a. Guest has booked in advance
- 1b. No suitable room
- 2a. Guest recorded at booking
- 2b. Regular customer

**Task:** 1.3 Checkout

**Purpose:** Release room, invoice guest.

...

## Fig 3.6B Triggers, options, preconditions

**Task:** Look at your new e-mails

**Purpose:** Reply, file, forward, delete, handle later.

**Trigger:** A mail arrives.

- Someone asks you to look.
- You have been in a meeting and are curious about new mail.

**Frequency:** . . .

**Task:** Change booking

**Purpose:** . . .

**Precondition:** Guest has booked?

**Trigger:** Guest calls

. . .

**Sub-tasks:**

1. Find booking
2. Modify guest data, e.g. address (optional)
3. Modify room data, e.g. two rooms (optional)
4. Cancel booking (optional)

Makes sense?

## Fig 3.8A Tasks & Support

<b>Task:</b> 1.2 Checkin <b>Purpose:</b> Give guest a room. Mark it . . . <b>Frequency:</b> . . .	
<b>Sub-tasks:</b>	<b>Example solution:</b>
1. Find room. <b>Problem:</b> Guest wants neighbor rooms; price bargain.	System shows free rooms on floor maps. System shows bargain prices, time and day dependent.
2. Record guest as checked in.	(Standard data entry)
3. Deliver key. <b>Problem:</b> Guest forgets to return the key; guest wants two keys.	System prints electronic keys. New key for each customer.
<b>Variants:</b>	
1a. Guest has booked in advance. <b>Problem:</b> Guest identification fuzzy.	System uses closest match algorithm.

Past:  
Problems

Domain  
level

Future:  
Computer part

## **Fig 3.9 Vivid scenario**

### **Scenario: The evening duty**

Doug Larsson had studied all afternoon and was a bit exhausted when arriving 6 pm to start his turn in the reception. The first task was to prepare the arrival of the bus of tourists expected 7 pm. He printed out all the checkin sheets and put them on the desk with the appropriate room key on each sheet.

In the middle of that a family arrived asking for rooms. They tried to bargain and Doug always felt uneasy about that. Should he give them a discount? Fortunately Jane came out from the back office and told them with her persuading smile that she could offer 10% discount on the children's room. They accepted, and Doug was left to assign them their rooms. They wanted an adjoining room for the kids, and as usual he couldn't remember which rooms were neighbors.

Around 10 pm, everything was quiet, and he tried to do some of his homework, but immediately became sleepy. Too bad - he wasn't allowed to sleep at work until 1 AM. Fortunately the office computer allowed him to surf the net. That kept him awake and even helped him with some of his homework.

## Fig 3.10 Good tasks

Good tasks:

- Closed: goal reached, pleasant feeling
- Session: Small, related tasks in one description
- Don't program

### Examples:

- 1 Manage rooms?
- 2 Book a guest?
- 3 Enter guest name?
- 4 Check in a bus of tourists
- 5 Stay at the hotel?
- 6 Change the guest's address etc?
- 7 Change booking?
- 8 Cancel entire booking?

Frequent  
mistake

### Got them all?

- All events covered?
- Critical tasks covered?
- At least as good as before?
- CRUD check

How to deal  
with that?

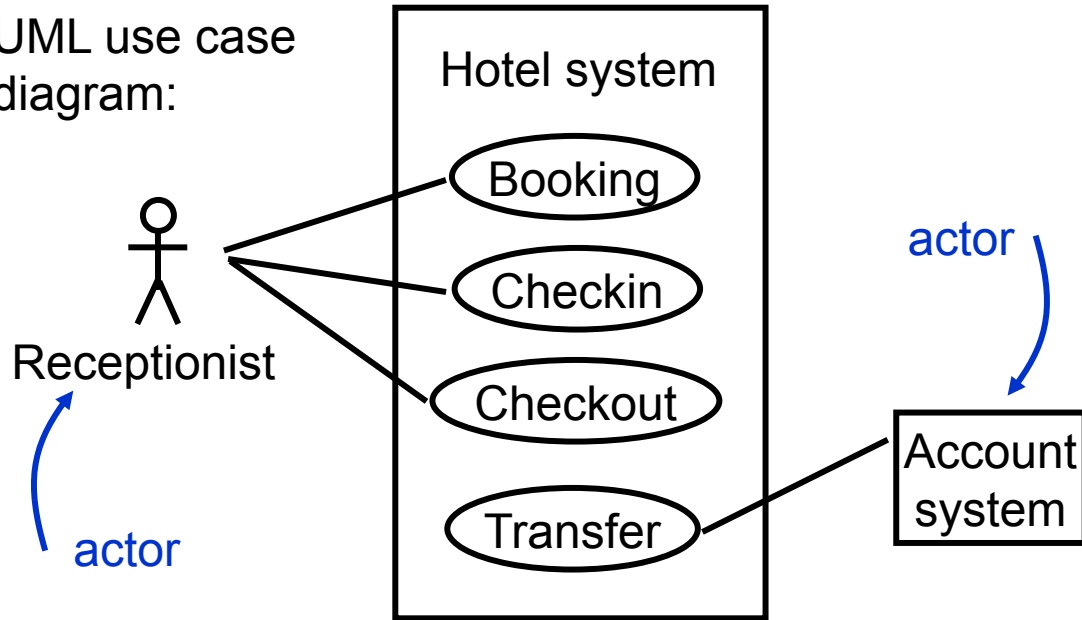


## Fig 3.11 High-level tasks

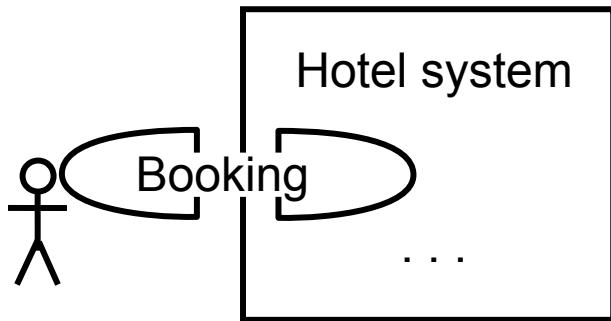
<b>Task: 1. A stay at the hotel</b> Actor: The guest Purpose: . . .	
<b>Sub-tasks:</b>	<b>Example solution:</b>
1. Select a hotel. <b>Problem:</b> We aren't visible enough.	?
2. Booking. <b>Problem:</b> Language and time zones. Guest wants two neighbor rooms	Web-booking. Choose rooms on web at a fee.
3. Check in. <b>Problem:</b> Guests want two keys	Electronic keys.
4. Receive service	
5. Check out <b>Problem:</b> Long queue in the morning	Use electronic key for self-checkout.
6. Reimburse expenses <b>Problem:</b> Private services on the bill	Split into two invoices, e.g. through room TV.

# Fig 3.12A Use cases vs. tasks

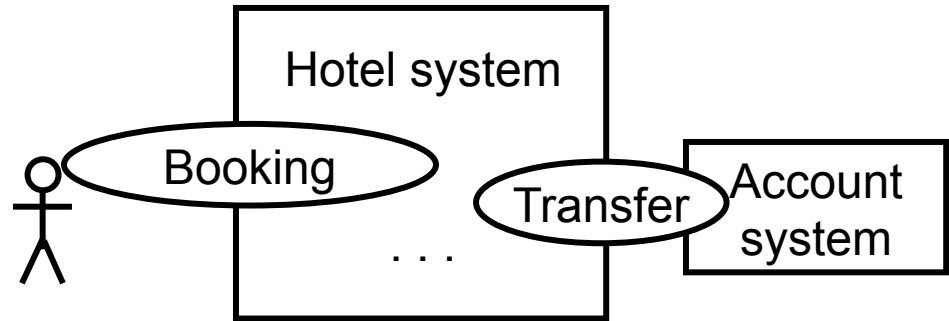
UML use case diagram:



Human and computer separated:



Task descriptions. Split postponed:



## Fig 3.12B Human and/or computer

**Human and computer separated**

**Use case: Check in a booked guest**

**User action System action**

Enter booking number

    Show guest and booking details

Edit details (optional)

    Store modifications

Push checkin

    Allocate free room(s)

    Display room number(s)

Give guest key(s)

## **Computer-centric use case**

**Use case: Check in a booked guest**

**Trigger:** Receptionist selects check in

Read booking number

Display guest and booking details

Read and store modifications

Wait for checkin command

Select free room(s)

Mark them as occupied

Add them to guest details

Display room number(s)

**End use case**

## Fig 3.15 Standards as requirements

- R1: Data transfer to the account package shall be done through a file with the format described in WonderAccount Interface Guide xx.yy. The account numbers shall be . . .
- R2: The user interface shall follow MS Windows Style Guide, xx.yy. The MS Word user interface should be used as a model where appropriate.
- R3: Shall run under MS-Windows release xx.yy. Supplier shall port product to new releases within \_\_\_\_\_ months.
- R4: Shall follow good accounting practice. The supplier shall obtain the necessary certification.
- R5: The supplier shall update the payroll computations in accordance with new union agreements within one month after release of the agreement.**

## Fig 3.16 Development process as requirement

R1: System development shall use iterative development based on prototypes as described in App. xx.

**Generates new requirements?**

R2: Supplier shall deliver additional screens with a complexity like screen S3 at a price of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per screen.

R3: All developers shall spend at least two days working with the users on their daily tasks.

R4: A special review shall be conducted at the end of each development activity to verify that all requirements and system goals are duly considered. The customer's representative shall participate in the review.

R5: Customer and supplier shall meet at least two hours bi-weekly to review requests for change and decide what to do, based on cost/benefit estimates of the changes.

# Functional Requirements – Summary

- **Context Diagram**
  - ◆ Diagram of product and its surrounding
  - ◆ Defining product scope
  - ◆ Very useful!
- **Event- and function lists**
  - ◆ Lists of events and functions
    - Domain or product level
  - ◆ Good as checklists at verification
  - ◆ Validation at product level?
- **Feature requirements**
  - ◆ Textual requirement: "the product shall ..."
  - ◆ High expressive power
  - ◆ Acceptable to most stakeholders
  - ◆ Can lead to false sense of security
    - How to ensure that goal-level covered?
- **Task descriptions**
  - ◆ Structured text describing user tasks
  - ◆ Easy to understand and verify
  - ◆ Good at domain level
- **(Vivid) Scenarios**
  - ◆ Rich descriptions of specific cases
  - ◆ Improves developer intuition and imagination
  - ◆ Products of elicitation but not "real" requirements
- **High-level tasks**
  - ◆ Client view of goal-related tasks
  - ◆ Independent of existing domain-level tasks
  - ◆ Good for business process re-engineering
- **Use Cases**
  - ◆ Widely used in many styles and variants
  - ◆ Some styles are good for design level (UI)
  - ◆ Can be used at different levels
  - ◆ Risk of pre-mature design
- **Standards as requirements**
  - ◆ Textual requirement: "the product shall follow standard xxx"
  - ◆ Transfer the problem to the supplier
  - ◆ Sometimes lead to false sense of security
- **Development process requirements**
  - ◆ A requirement to follow a certain procedure
    - Use prototypes
    - Use specific reviews at certain points
    - Test in a specific way
    - Max number of simultaneous change reports
    - ...etc
  - ◆ Validation? Difficult to say how process quality relates to product quality

# Functional details

## Lau:4

- Skim read so that you know what is in there and see if anything is relevant for your project
- If you have studied UML you already know some of it, BUT it is very important to consider at which level to use the diagrams (domain, product, or design)...



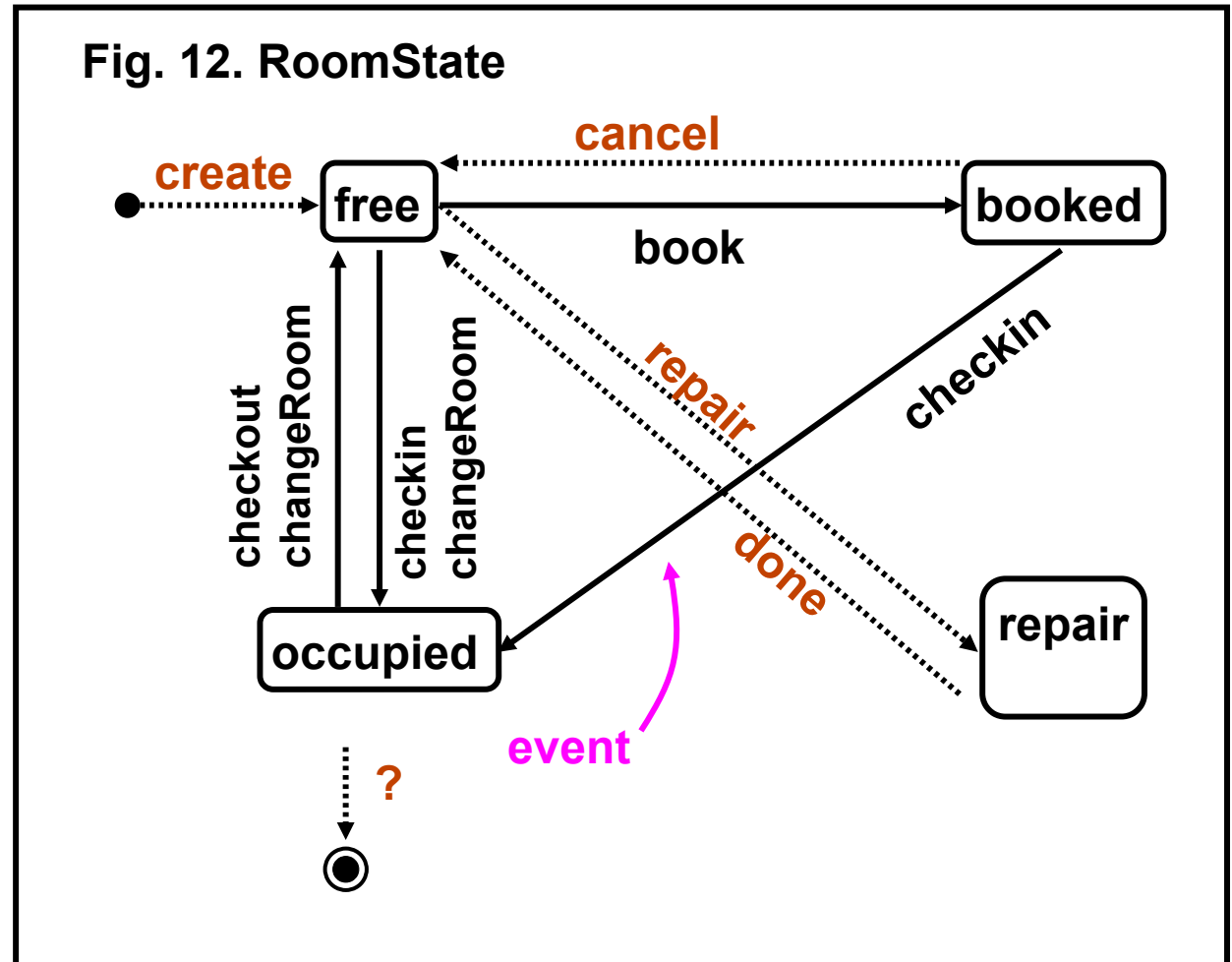
# Functional details & Special interfaces

- Complex & simple functions
- Tables & decision tables
- Textual process descr.
- **State diagrams**
- State-transition matrices
- Activity diagrams
- **Class diagrams**
- Collaboration diagrams
- **Sequence diagrams**
- Reports
- **Platform requirements**
- Product integration
- **Technical interfaces**

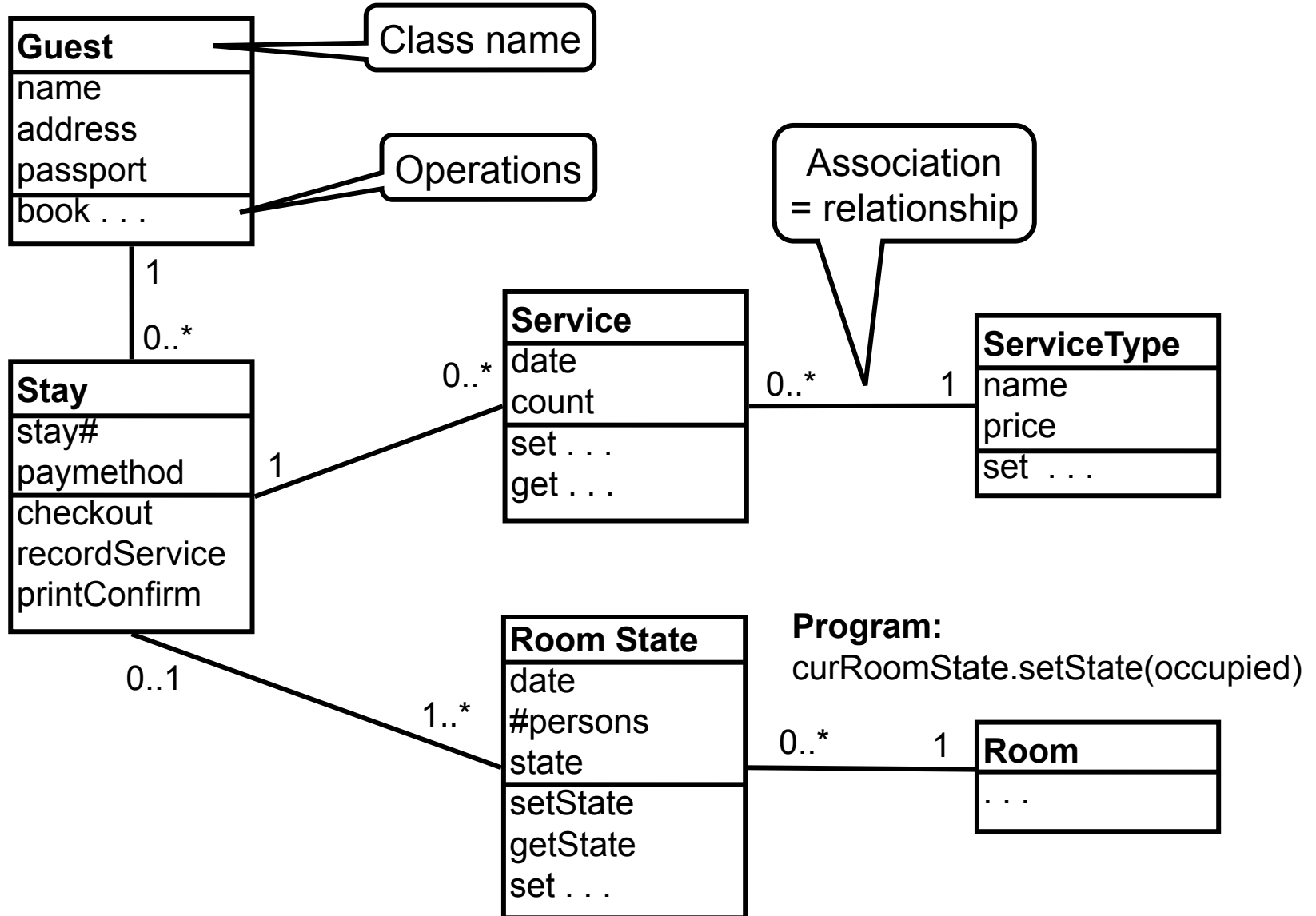
## Fig 4.4 State diagrams

Rooms have a RoomState for each day in the planning period. The status shows whether the room is free, occupied, etc. that day.

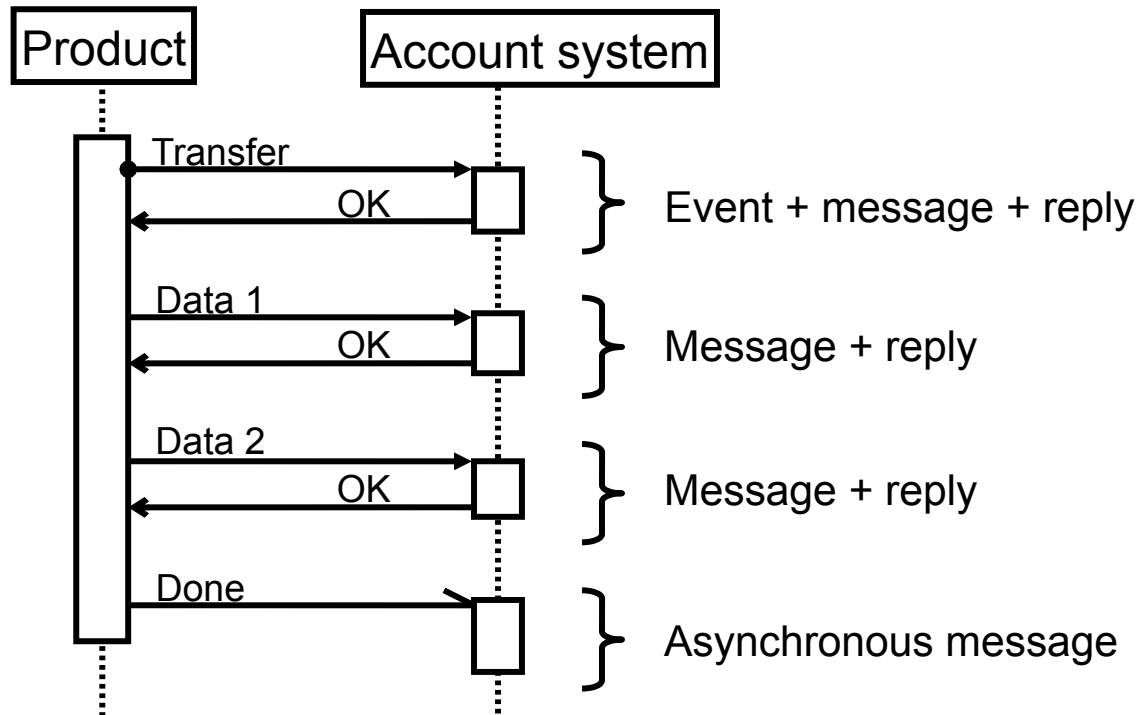
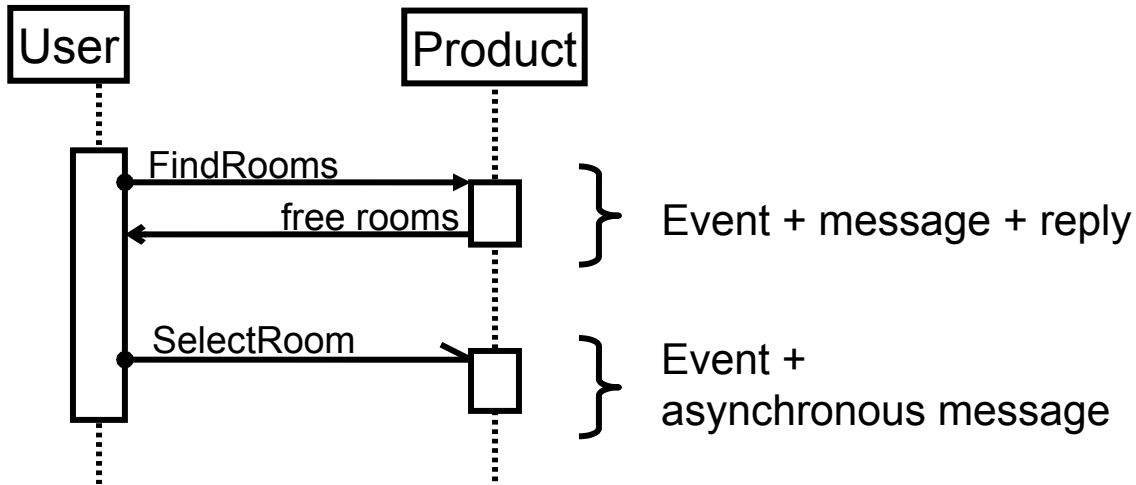
**R12: RoomState shall change as shown in Fig. 12.**



# Fig 4.7A UML Class Diagram



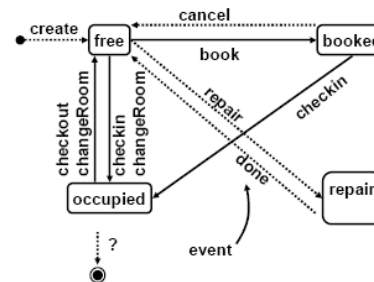
# Fig 4.9 Sequence diagram



# Functional details Summary

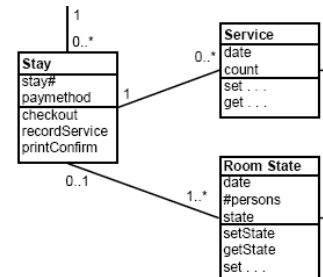
## State diagrams

- ◆ Diagram showing how something changes from one state to another
- ◆ Good for finding missing functions
- ◆ Both on domain and product level
- ◆ Can sometimes be very complex and difficult to read



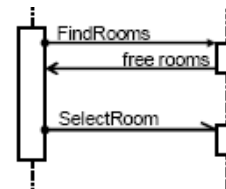
## Class diagrams

- ◆ A data model with operations on data
- ◆ Harder to understand than E/R-diagrams
- ◆ Widely used even when not good
- ◆ Not good for higher levels



## Sequence diagram

- ◆ Time diagram for how objects communicate
- ◆ Good for describing (simple) communication protocols
- ◆ Useful at design-level



## Activity Diagram...

## Collaboration diagrams ...

REPORT

# reqT tutorial and lab prep

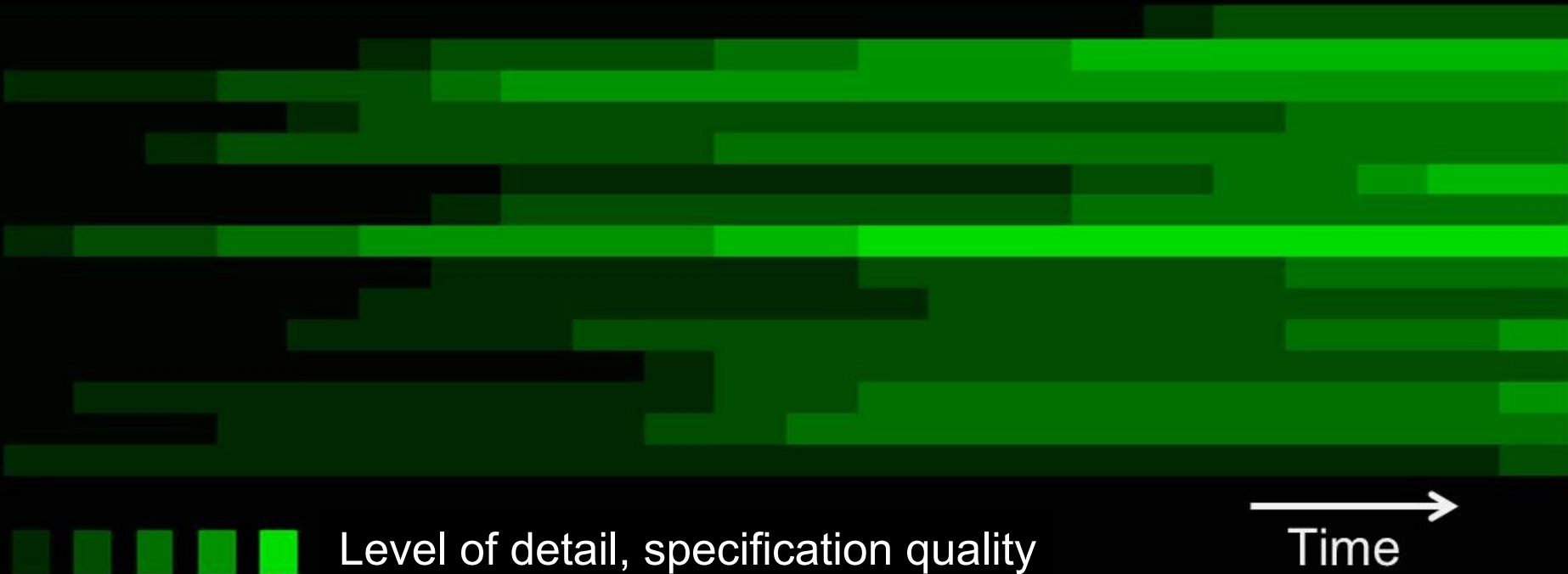
## Getting started with reqT:

- Check out <https://reqT.github.io>
- Download the Desktop app in reqT.jar
- Run with **java -jar reqT.jar**
- Investigate the GUI, check out the Templates and Tools
- Start the repl with **java -jar reqT.jar repl**
  - Try some simple Models to see test how it works

```
m"* Feature: hi has Spec: hello"
```

```
Model(Feature("hi").has(Spec("hello")))
```

# Evolving mix of levels of detail & quality in continuous requirements engineering



The reqT tool supports evolving requirements based on a modeling language with essential RE concepts suitable for teaching & learning.



# The idea behind reqT

- Be methodology agnostic: 'bag of concepts'
- Graphical UI and Terminal UI for power users
- Turn requirements into code by a scalable data structure, from 1 to 10E4 reqts
- Scriptable to the power of Scala and the JDK
- Integrate with git and similar code/text tools
- Solve requirements constraints problems
- Open source: <https://github.com/reqT>

Research papers on reqT:

<https://reqt.org/documentation.html#pub>



# <https://reqT.github.io>



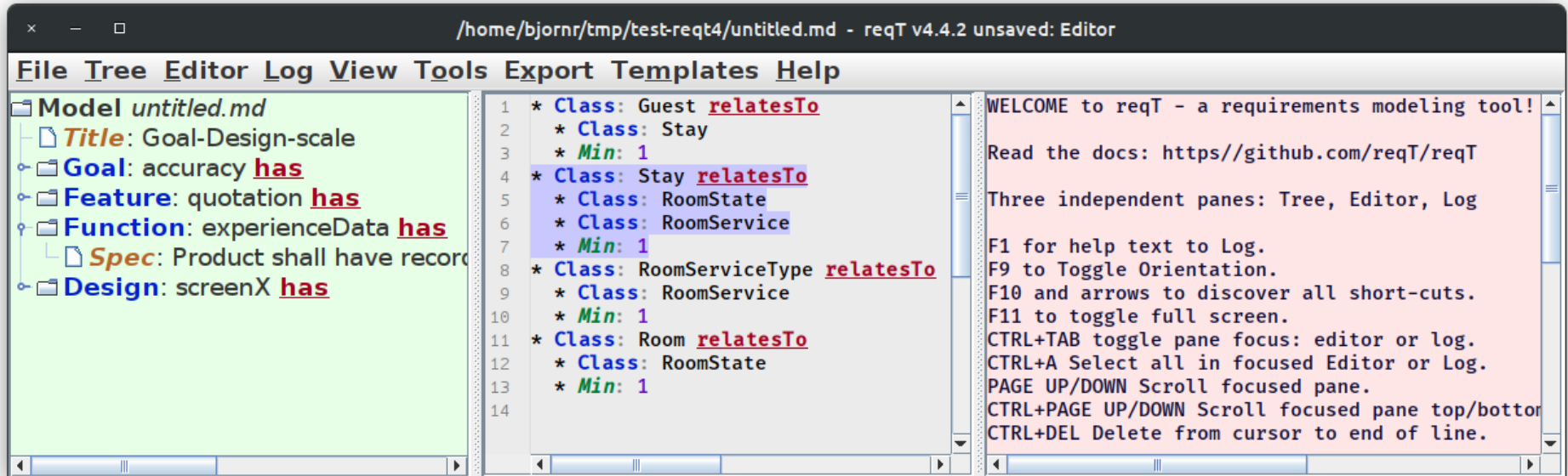
- **New in reqT v4:**  
Simple syntax based on **markdown bullet lists**
- Especially developed for **this course**
- **Essential** Requirements Engineering concepts from literature
- Generates **visualizations** using Graphviz
- Generates **documents** via export to html, latex, pdf
- Discuss in your project if/how you want to use reqT

# Screenshot of reqT

Tree pane

Editor pane

Log pane



See terminal help:

```
java -jar reqT.jar help
```

```
$ java -jar reqT.jar help
Welcome to reqT 4.4.2 https://reqT.github.io

Main program args:

<none>      open a reqT window with empty model
edit f1 f2  for each file open a window with model from file
repl        start the scala repl and do 'import reqt.*'
quiz        start a quiz game in terminal
version     print version, also -v --version
help        print this message, also -h, --help
```

# Requirements Entities

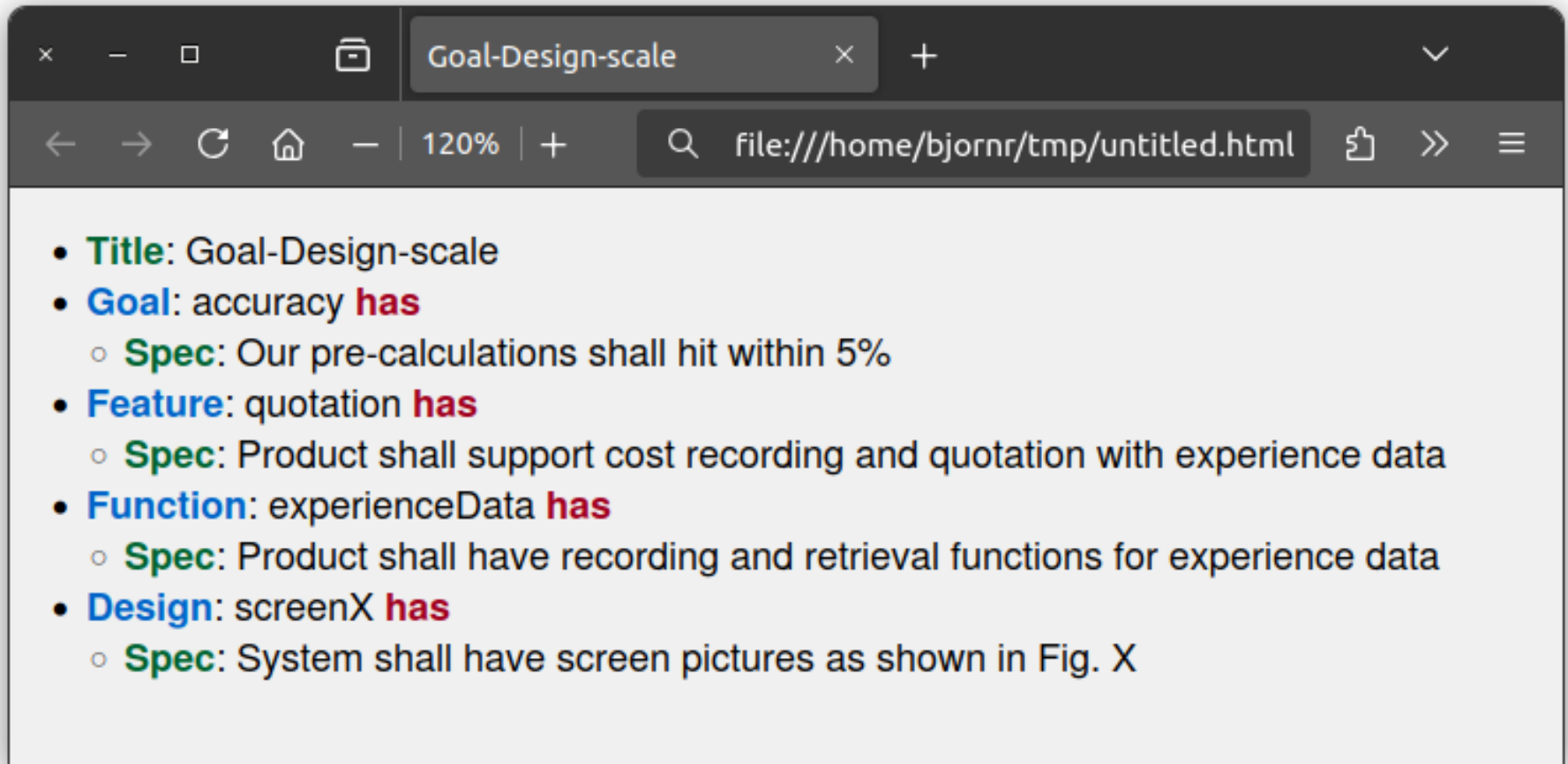
Examples from the reqT metamodel

Product, Interface,  
Stakeholder, Idea, Goal,  
Feature, Data, Function,  
State, Event, Quality,  
Design, Scenario, Story,  
UseCase, Risk, Release,  
Issue, Test, Variant, Req

# The goal-design scale in reqT

- \* **Goal:** accuracy **has**
  - \* *Spec:* Our pre-calculations shall hit within 5%
- \* **Feature:** quotation **has**
  - \* *Spec:* Product shall support cost recording and quotation with experience data
- \* **Function:** experienceData **has**
  - \* *Spec:* Product shall have recording and retrieval functions for experience data
- \* **Design:** screenX **has**
  - \* *Spec:* System shall have screen pictures as shown in Fig. X

- \* **Product:** reqT **has**
- \* **Feature:** toHtml



# The reqT metamodel

A **Model** is a sequence of elements.

An **element** can be a node or a relation.

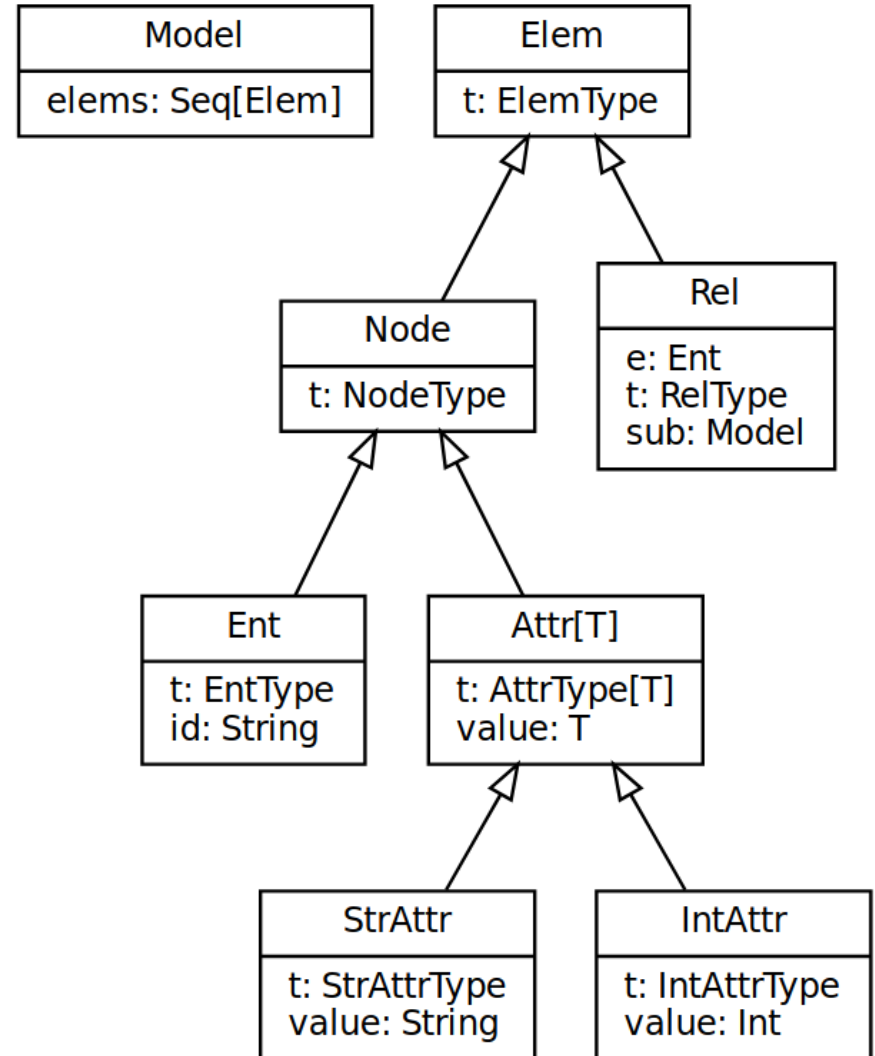
A **node** can be an entity or an attribute.

An **entity** has a type and an id.

An **attribute** has a type and a value.

An attribute can be a **string** attribute or an **integer** attribute.

A **relation** connects an entity to a sub-model via a relation type.



# Three views of a reqT Model

- **Markdown bullets**

```
* Feature hi: has
  * Spec: hello
```

- **Scala constructors**

```
Model(
  Feature("hi").has(
    Spec("hello")))

```

- **Underlying Scala classes of the reqT metamodel**

```
Model(
  Rel(Ent(Feature, "hi"), Has,
    Model(StrAttr(Spec, "hello"))))

```



# The reqT **Tools** menu

- The tools operate on the Editor pane. Example workflow scenario:
  1. load the things you want to apply a tool to in the Editor pane
  2. select a tool from the menu
  3. the Editor pane is updated
  4. transfer what you want to keep to the Tree pane and save the Tree
- What the tools do:
  - **Format model:** standardized reqT markdown pretty-print
  - **Distinct model:** remove duplicates on all levels
  - **Keep distinct entities:** filter Ent instances, remove duplicates
  - **Entity ordering:** append Order relations, in order of appearance
  - **\$100 normalized votes:** weighted total priorities and benefits, assumes that your model has same shape as *Template* -> *Prioritization: 100\$ test*
  - **Id pairs as comparison constraints:** append all pairs of ids in Constraints
  - **Solve Comparison Constraint Problem:** try to satisfy Constraints by searching for a solution that fulfills all comparisons; relaxed by allowing deviations if needed

# Automate model merging, analysis, doc building, ...

Download **hello-reqt.scala** from

<https://github.com/reqT/reqT.github.io/blob/master/src/hello-reqt.scala>

and run with: **scala run . -M hello**

```
//> using scala 3.6.3
```

```
//> using dep "reqt:reqt:4.4.2,url=https://github.com/reqT/reqT/releases/download/v4.4.2/reqT-4.4.2.jar"
```

```
import reqt.*
```

```
val m = Model(  
  Feature("helloWorld").has(  
    Spec("Print a nice greeting."),  
    Why("First step to get started."),  
  )  
)
```

```
@main def hello = println(m.toMarkdown)
```

# Some things you can do with reqt.Model in Scala

try below in Scala repl: `java -jar reqT.jar repl`

```
var m1 = Model() // an empty Model
val id = "hello" // an immutable reference to a String

val m2 = m"* Feature: $id has Spec: print greeting" // reqT special String interpolator m
// parses String and returns a Model
// multi-line String after ""

m1 = m""
    * Feature $id has
    * Spec: print greeting""

m1.show // pretty-print model
m1.toMarkdown // generate Markdown from a Model
m1.toHtml // generate Html from a Model, also
toHtmlBody

Sys.loadLines("mymodel.md") // parse markdown model from file
Sys.saveTo(m1.toMarkdown)("mymodel-2.md") // save markdown to file

m1 = m1.append(Model(Feature("y").has(Spec("more stuff")))) // append two models also :++
m1 = m1.distinctElemsDeep // remove duplicates

m1.elems // a sequence of elems, type is immutable Vector[Elem]

for e <- m1.elems yield // iterate over all elems e in m1
  e match // match on e of type Elem
    case Ent(id, t) => id // pattern-match on Ent, yield the id
    case StrAttr(t, value) => value
    case Rel(e, t, sub) => e.id
    case _ => "or else this string"
```

# Some questions for you

- How will you **partition** your reqts space?
- How will you **synchronize** your work?
- What entity **id** policy will you have?
- How will you manage **versions**?
- How will you **build** your document from requirements fragments?

# Which tools are you going to use?

- Office apps e.g. Google Docs, LibreOffice, MS Office (spreadsheet, wordprocessor, database)
- Latex
- Web publishing
- Configuration management (git, GitHub, GitLab, Bitbucket...)
- Prototyping tools, gui-builders
- Issue trackers / ticket managers / Trello etc.
- `reqT`
- **Who will be tool responsible?**

# Kommersiella verktyg för kravhantering

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Requirements\\_engineering\\_tools](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Requirements_engineering_tools)

Några verktygsexempel:

- Siemens Polarion
- Atlassian Jira
- Github (using issues+labels)
- IBM Doors/Doors Next/Jazz
- IBM Focal Point

<https://public.dhe.ibm.com/software/pd/fi/IBM-Rational-Focal-Point.pdf>

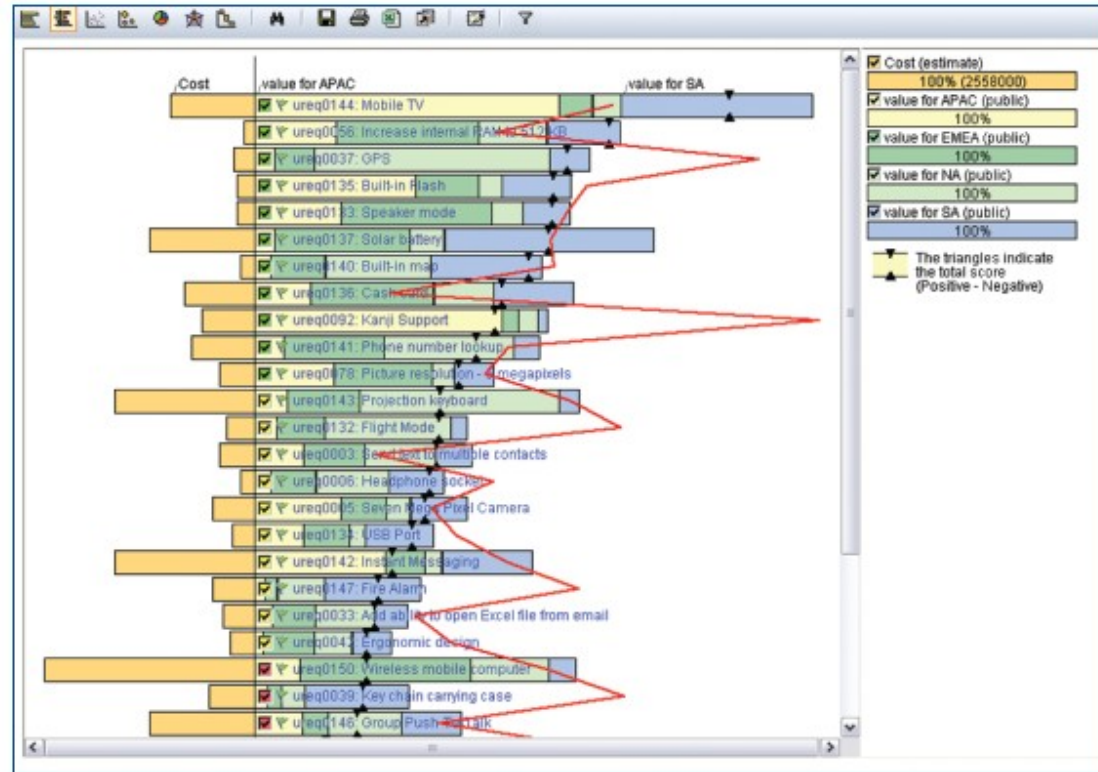


Figure 2: Rational Focal Point software enables you to visualize value and trade-offs from various stakeholders—viewing where stakeholders agree and disagree.

# To do...

- **Read** these chapters in the textbook by Lauesen: **2, 3, 4, 5**  
First read all gray boxes, then prioritize things from lectures
- **Exercise E2:** Elicitation, really important for your project work, based on Lauesen Chapter 8 (see previous lecture L2)
- **Lab 1:** Context, Features and Priorities reqT.github.io
  - Work in pairs (or individually), book your slot in Canvas
  - Get `java -jar reqT.jar` running in terminal
  - Complete all preparations *before* the lab: <https://cs.lth.se/krav/labs/>
  - Read paper on prioritization [PRIO] (see previous lecture L2)
- **Work in the project:**
  - Book meeting with supervisor to discuss Project Mission v2
  - Project Mission v2 handed in via Canvas, deadline: see <https://cs.lth.se/krav/proj/>
- **Lectures next week:**
  - L5: Tuesday 15-17: Prototyping, Agile RE
  - L6: Wednesday 15-17: Open Source RE, Release planning + help to prepare lab 2