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Week Assignment

Unified Modeling Language (UML)

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1. Create UML diagrams for your part of the system and the overall system.
2. Start Implement/Update Code according to the UML Design

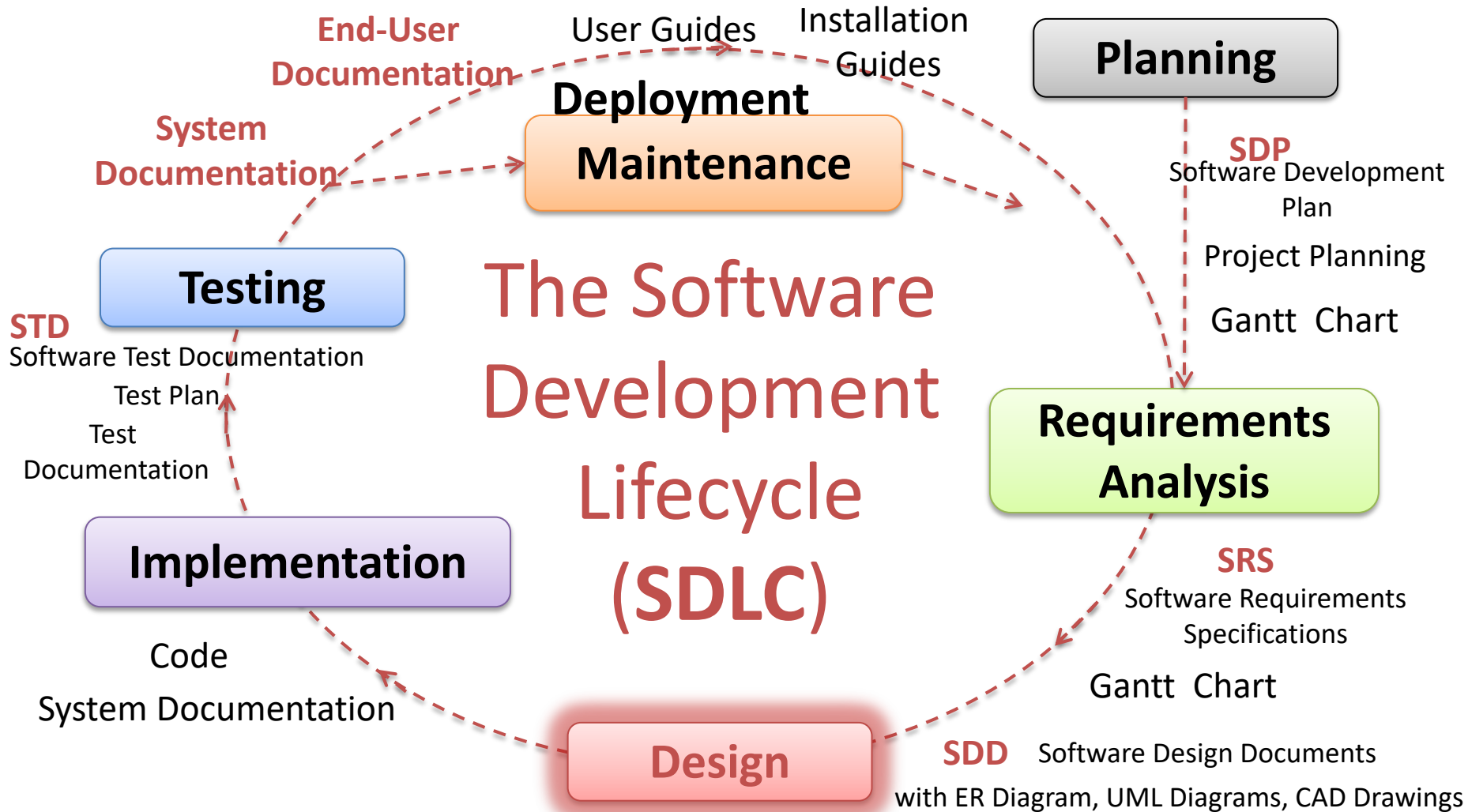
The UML diagrams with descriptions should be part of the Requirements and Design document(s): SRS/SDD → SRD



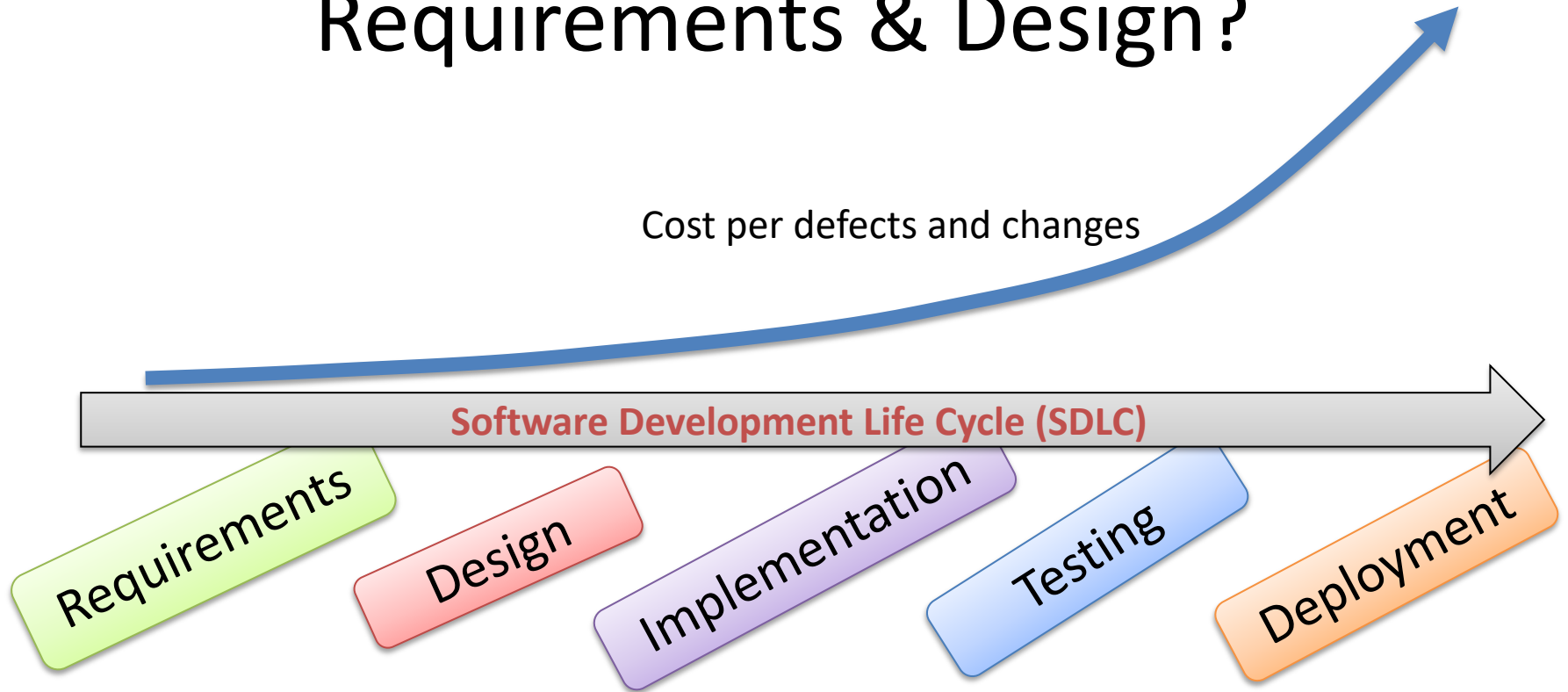
UML Design & Modelling

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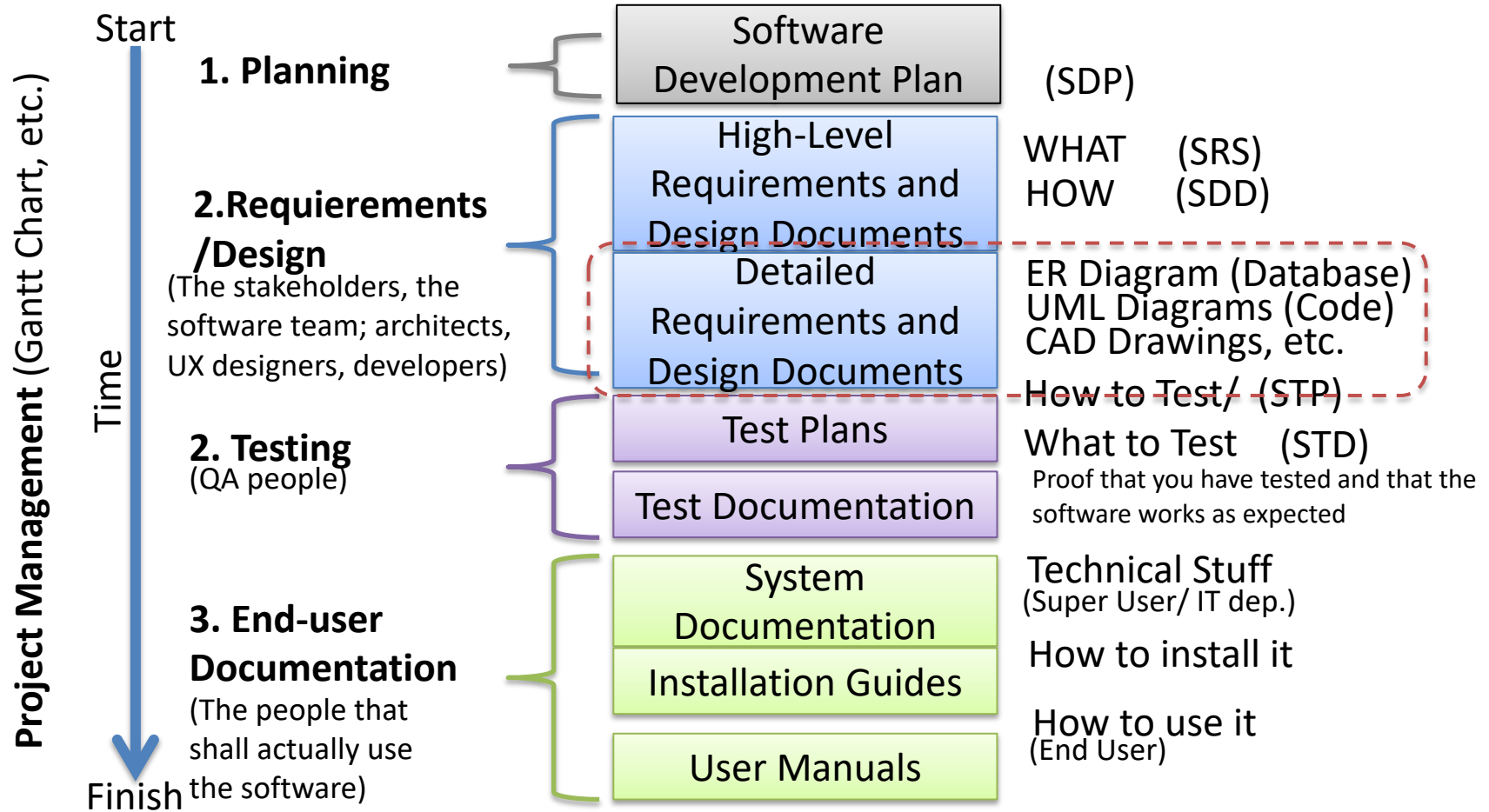
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Why spend time on Requirements & Design?



Typical Software Documentation



Software Requirements & Design

Requirements (WHAT):

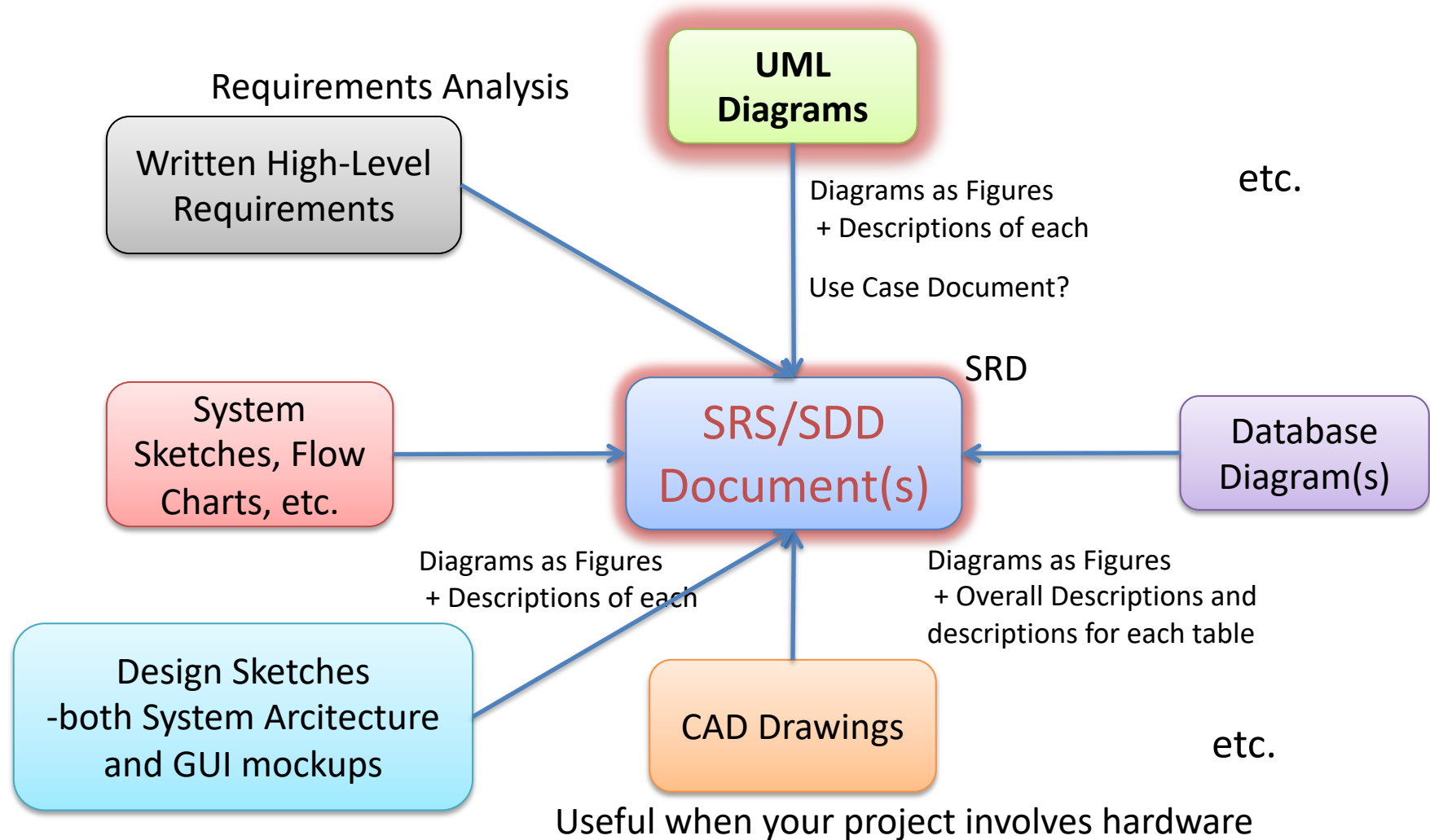
- **WHAT** the system should do
- Describe what the system should do with Words and Figures, etc.
- **SRS** – Software Requirements Specification

Software Design (HOW):

- **HOW** it should do it
- Examples: GUI Design, UML, ER diagram, CAD, etc.
- **SDD** – Software Design Document

Note! Many don't separate SRS and SDD documents but include everything in a Requirements & Design Document (SRD).

→ In practice, Requirements and Design are inseparable.



Documents



The following Documents should be “finished”^{*} within this Week Assignment!

- Software Development Plan (SDP)
- Software Requirements and Design (SRD)
 - Including Database and UML modelling with textual descriptions and explanations

^{*}But they can and should be continuously updated throughout the project when changes occur



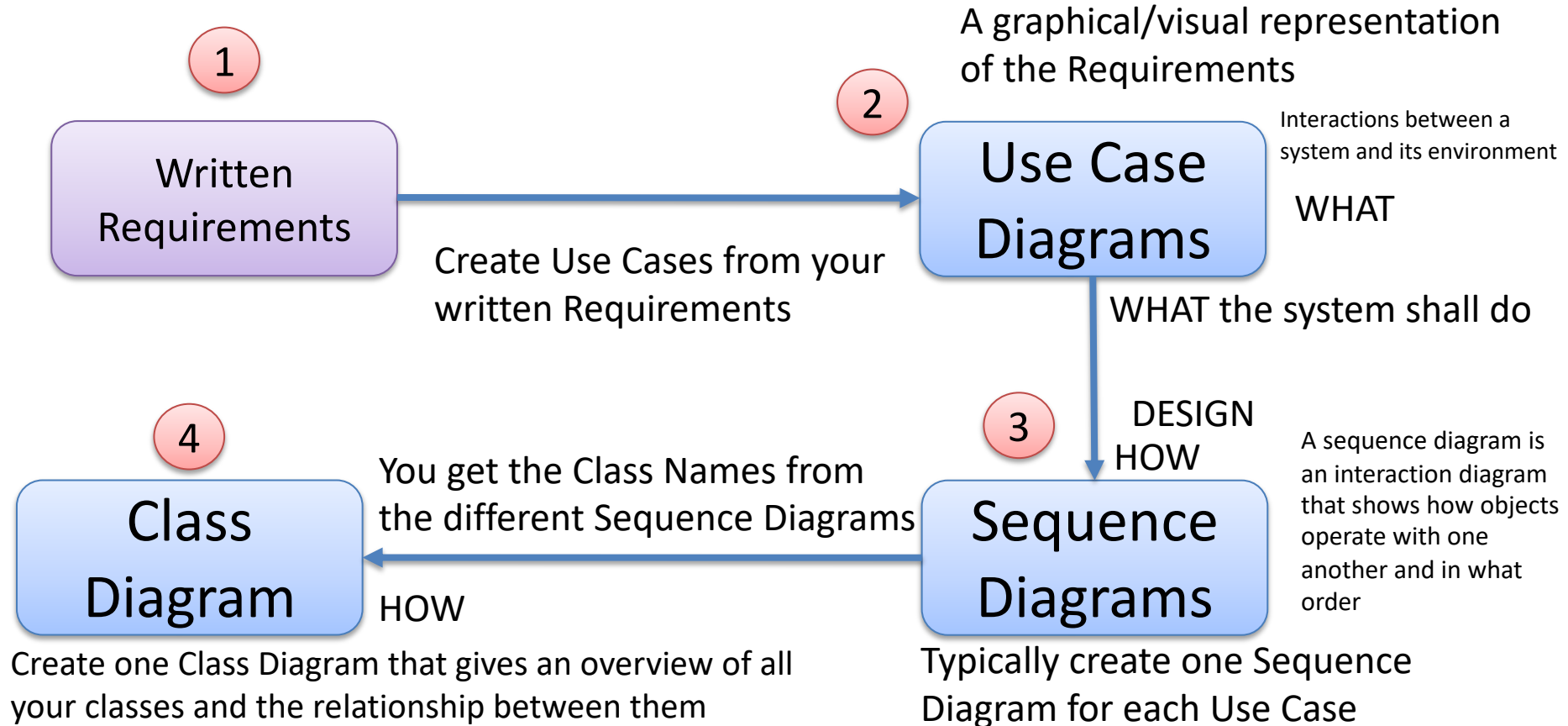
UML Diagrams

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- The following UML diagrams for your system should be created:
 1. **Use Case Diagrams**
 2. **Sequence Diagrams**
 3. **Class Diagrams**
- **UML Tools:** We will use **StarUML** as our UML Tool
- Include the UML diagrams (with detailed descriptions!) as part of your Requirements and Design Document (SRD)

See Next Slides for more details...

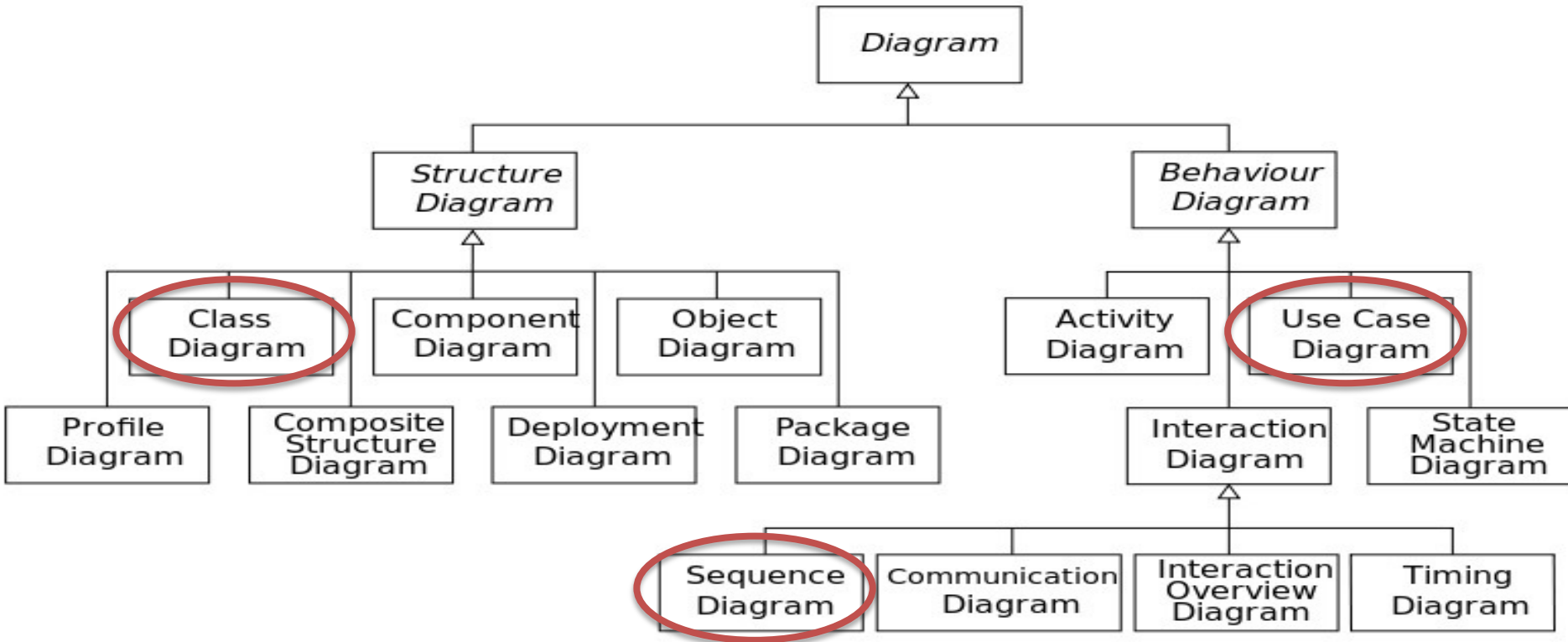
Creating UML - A practical Approach



Why use UML?

- Design
 - Forward Design: doing UML before coding. Makes it easier to create the code in a structured manner
 - Backward Design: doing UML after coding as documentation
 - When doing changes in the Design, make sure to update the Code according to the new Design
- Code
 - Some Tools can Auto-generate Code from UML diagrams
 - When doing changes in the Code, make sure to update the UML Diagrams

Types of UML Diagrams



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Unified_Modeling_Language

UML Diagrams

Main Diagrams:

- Requirements Analysis Phase (WHAT):
 1. **Use Case Diagrams**
- Design Phase (HOW):
 2. **Sequence Diagrams** (Typically one Sequence diagram for each Use Case)
 3. **Class Diagrams** (just one Class diagram in total, for larger systems you may want to create several)

Use Case Diagram

- A Use Case diagram is a representation of a user's interaction with the system
- It shows the relationship between the user and the different use cases in which the user is involved.
- **Think as an End User not a Programmer:** How should the user use the system?
- Use your list of Requirements (as stated in the SRS/SRD) as a starting point for your Use Cases
- **The Use Cases should start with a verb, e.g., ReadSensor, RegisterPatient, ShowPatientData**

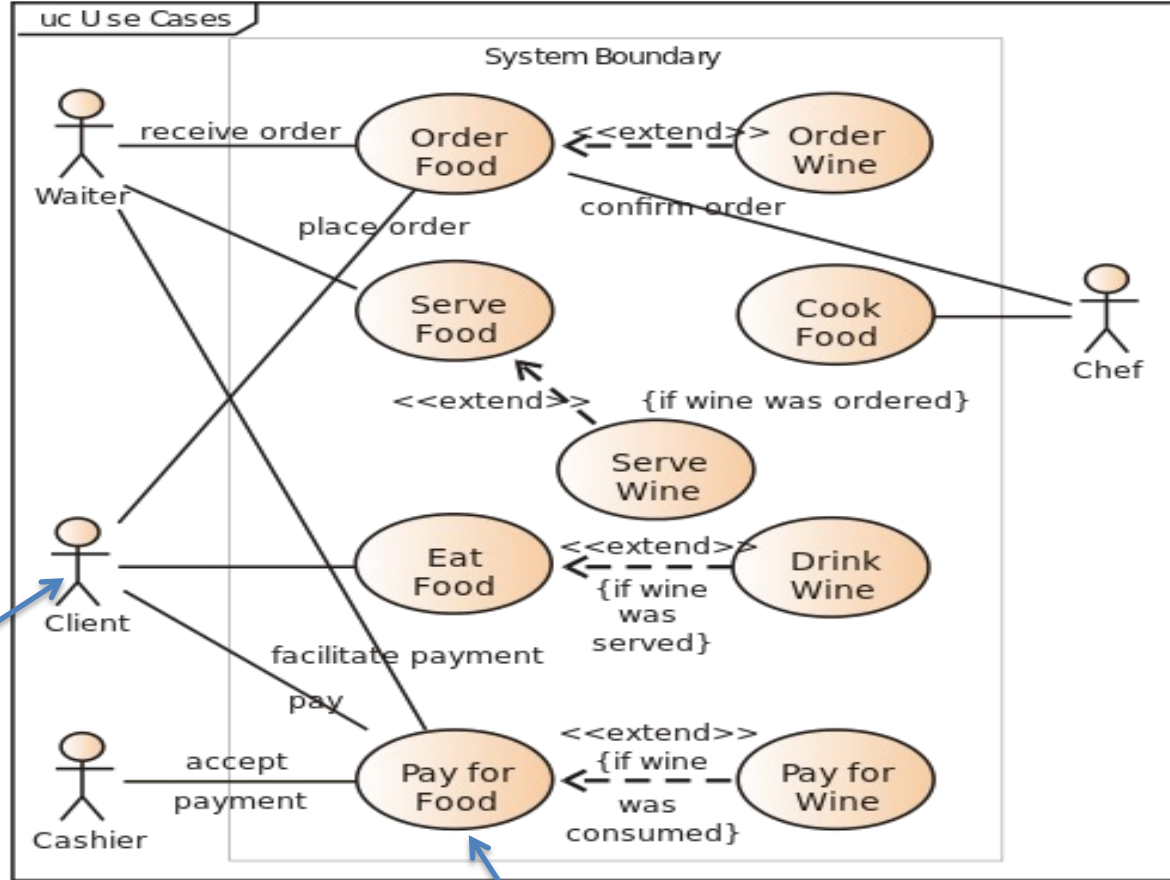
Use Case Diagram

A use case is a list of steps, typically defining interactions between a role (known in UML as an "actor") and a system, to achieve a goal.

The actor can be a human or an external system.

Actor

Use Case Example for a Restaurant:

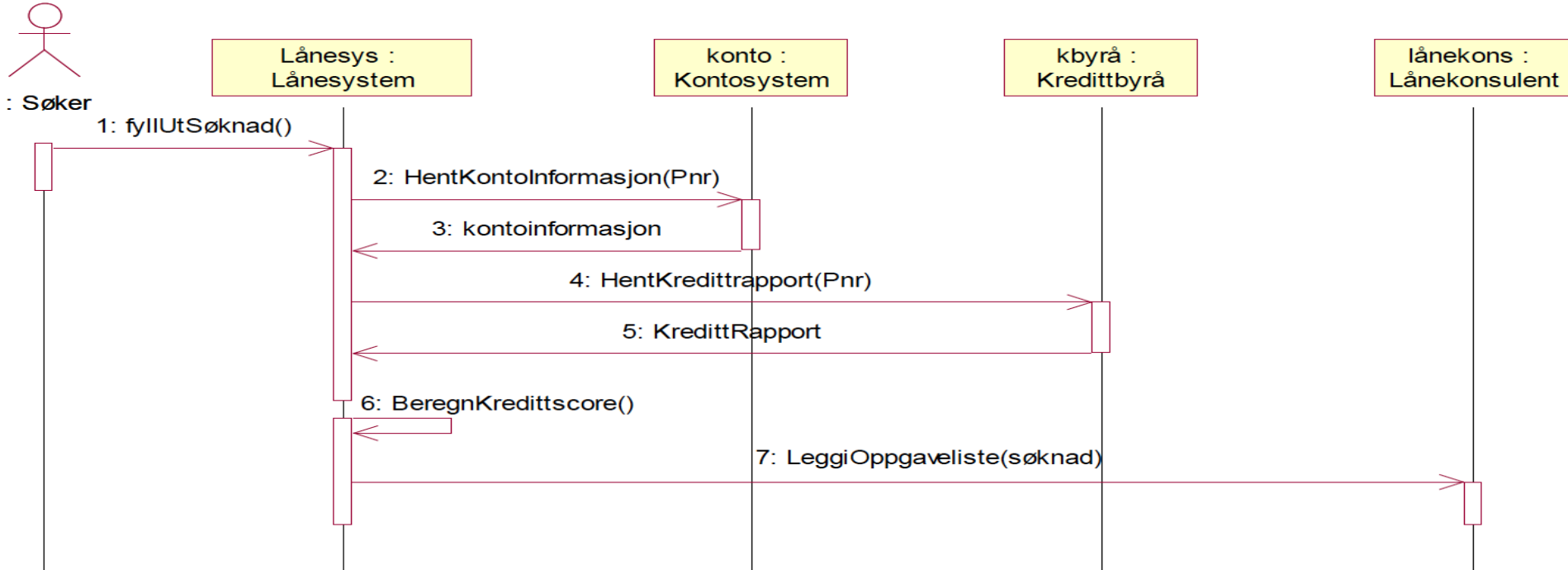


Use Case

Sequence Diagram

- A Sequence diagram is an Interaction Diagram that shows how objects operate with one another and in what order
- A Sequence diagram shows object interactions arranged in time sequence.
- Focus on main Structure, not Details. The details are done in Code

Sequence Diagram

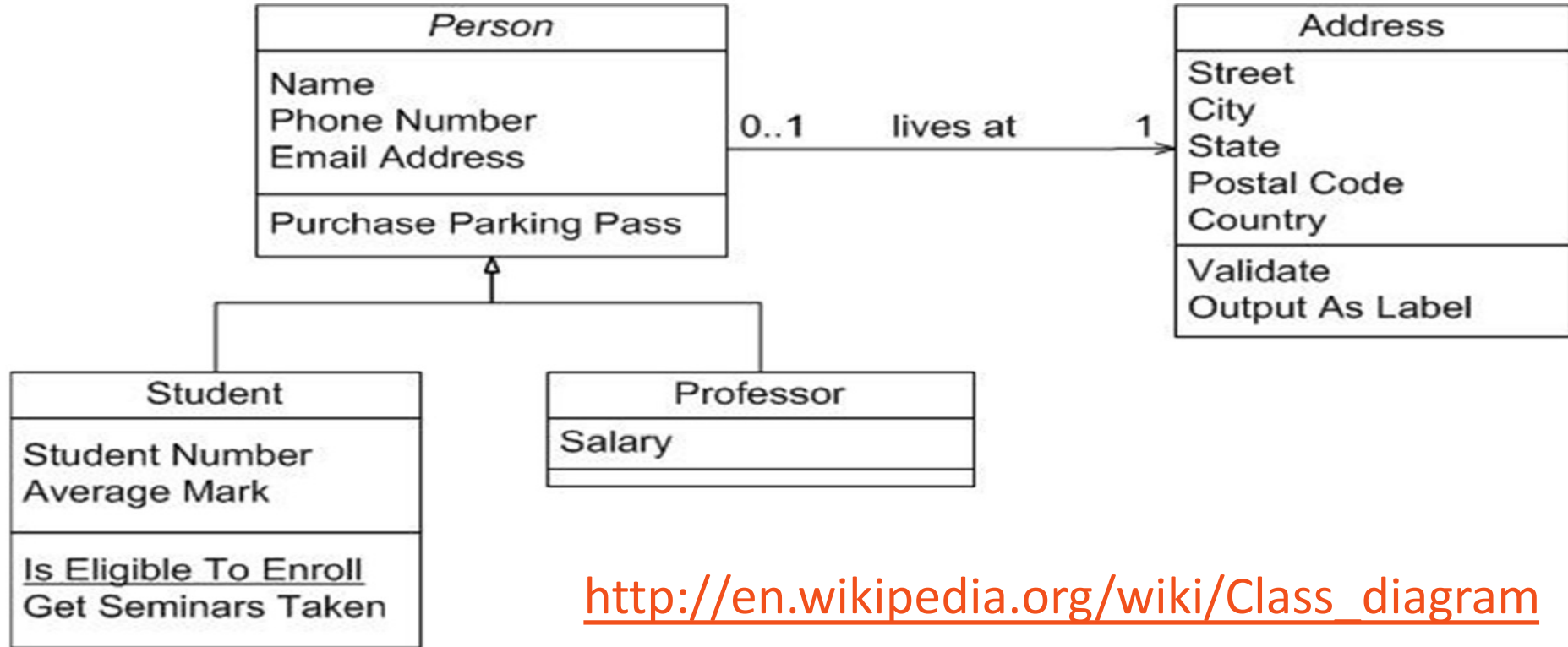


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Class Diagram

- A diagram that shows the structure of the different Classes in a system
- It shows the relationships between the Classes
- It shows Methods and Properties for each Class

Class Diagram



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Class_diagram

UML Software

- MS Visio
- StarUML
- ...hundreds of different tools

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Unified_Modeling_Language_tools

FURPS+

FURPS is an acronym representing a model for classifying software quality attributes (functional and non-functional requirements):

- **Functionality** - Capability (Size & Generality of Feature Set), Reusability (Compatibility, Interoperability, Portability), Security (Safety & Exploitability)
- **Usability (UX)** - Human Factors, Aesthetics, Consistency, Documentation, Responsiveness
- **Reliability** - Availability (Failure Frequency (Robustness/Durability/Resilience), Failure Extent & Time-Length (Recoverability/Survivability)), Predictability (Stability), Accuracy (Frequency/Severity of Error)
- **Performance** - Speed, Efficiency, Resource Consumption (power, ram, cache, etc.), Throughput, Capacity, Scalability
- **Supportability** -(Serviceability, Maintainability, Sustainability, Repair Speed) - Testability, Flexibility (Modifiability, Configurability, Adaptability, Extensibility, Modularity), Installability, Localizability
- + (extra) - Implementation, licenses, administration, interface to external systems, etc.

FURPS+ Examples of Questions you may want to ask yourself

- **Functionality** - What the customer wants! Note that this includes security-related needs.
- **Usability** - How effective is the product from the standpoint of the person who must use it? Is it aesthetically acceptable? Is the documentation accurate and complete?
- **Reliability** - What is the maximum acceptable system downtime? Are failures predictable? Can we demonstrate the accuracy of results? How is the system recovered?
- **Performance** - How fast must it be? What's the maximum response time? What's the throughput? What's the memory consumption?
- **Supportability** - Is it testable, extensible, serviceable, installable, and configurable? Can it be monitored?

FURPS+ in our Project

- You don't need to follow FURPS+ in your project
- We can use it as a tool/aid when creating the Software Requirements Specifications in our SRD document
- If you want, and find it useful, you can also structure the requirements according to FURPS+

“Use Case Document”

- Purpose: Documenting Use Cases
- Textual documentation and explanations of your Use Cases
- **In our Project:**
 - We include UML diagrams and textual descriptions of these diagrams in our SRD document
 - “Fully dressed use case document”: We can use it as a tool/aid when creating the diagrams, but it is not needed

Use Case and Scrum (Agile)

- In Agile, we don't refer to requirements; instead, we talk about stories. Stories are really reminders for customer needs (requirements, in the general sense).
- The Team works closely together with the Product Owner
- Less need for detailed descriptions and requirements
- Agile/Scrum uses **User Stories** instead (which could be considered as a light version of Use Case)
- The User Stories are the base for the **Product Backlog** and the Sprint Backlog

UML Summary



- You should create Design and Specifications (including UML) before you start Coding
- But UML can also be used to document your code afterwards (Reverse Engineering)
- UML diagrams is a general method/standard to do just that
- This makes it easier to create structured code
- A good way to document your code properly.
- Code refactoring: Use UML as part of the continuous code improvements process
- **Note!** If you update the code, make sure to update the UML and vice versa!
- An (non-graphical) alternative to UML Use Cases is User Stories



Coding

Coding

- Make the overall Code Structure according to the UML Design
- Start creating Classes, etc. according to your UML design
- It may be a good idea to create a **Class Library** (or another form for API) that can be shared between your applications/modules.
- Make sure that you code reflects the UML design regarding classes, etc. If you update your code, you need to update the UML diagrams and vice versa.
- It is important that we have a working software at all times (so it can be reviewed, tested, etc.)! That is a basic requirement in Scrum!

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