

# Software Quality Attributes



how the customer explained it



how the project leader understood it



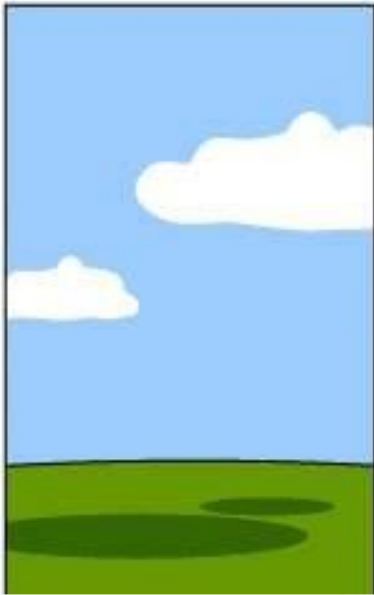
how the analyst designed it



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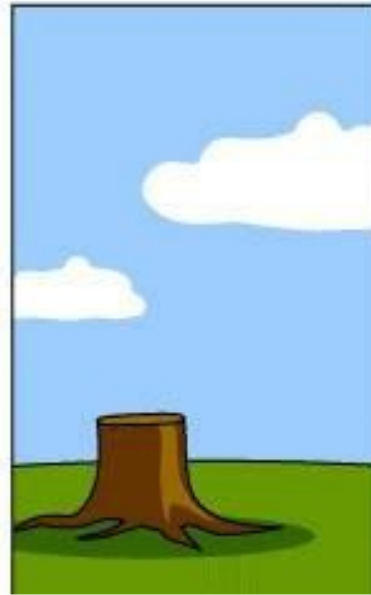
documentation



installation



customer was billed for



post installation support



what the customer really needed

# Functional Requirements

First goal is to solve the functional requirements

- meet & exceed the functional requirements
  - “meet” is a must
  - “exceed” is better

# Technology

Match functional requirements to technology



## OSS vs Commercial

- what type of support is available
- what type of customization is possible

# Performance

What does it mean?

- hand held application performance
- web application performance
  - banking, eBay, Google
- game performance
- real-time applications
  - robotics

# Quality

## Stability & Bugs



- is there ever a bug free software system?
- what defines a stable system?
  - revision control systems

# Fault tolerance

In the case of failure....

Redundancy

- at what level
  - application vs component
  - *batman has many suites but one bat-mobile?*

Graceful exit

- hmmm..... lets see then

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Terminal — java — 130x26
15:19:05,912 ERROR ~
@5pn2nofg9
Internal Server Error (500) for request GET /posts/1

Template execution error (In /app/views/tags/display.html around line 10)
Execution error occurred in template /app/views/tags/display.html. Exception raised was ArithmeticException : / by zero.

play.exceptions.TemplateExecutionException: / by zero
    at play.templates.Template.throwException(Template.java:262)
    at play.templates.Template.render(Template.java:227)
    at play.templates.Template$ExecutableTemplate.invokeTag(Template.java:359)
    at /app/views/Application/show.html.(line:21)
    at play.templates.Template.render(Template.java:207)
    at play.mvc.results.RenderTemplate.<init>(RenderTemplate.java:22)
    at play.mvc.Controller.renderTemplate(Controller.java:367)
    at play.mvc.Controller.render(Controller.java:393)
    at controllers.Application.show(Application.java:26)
    at play.utils.Java.invokeStatic(Java.java:129)
    at play.mvc.ActionInvoker.invoke(ActionInvoker.java:124)
    at Invocation.HTTP Request(Play!)
Caused by: java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
    at java.math.BigDecimal.divide(BigDecimal.java:1327)
    at /app/views/tags/display.html.(line:10)
    at play.templates.Template.render(Template.java:207)
    ... 10 more
```

# Performance

## Throughput

- def:
  - calculations per second
  - transactions per second
  - messages per second
- do you see a trend here?
- campus Internet lunch time gremlins



# Performance

## Throughput

- peak throughput
- average throughput
- should a system be designed for peak or average throughput

# Performance

## Latency

- latency is in the eye of the observer
- inherently present in everything
  - can not be eliminated
  - reduction & mitigation
- measuring latency is hard

## Response time

- combination of computational and communicational latencies

# Availability

Has a direct impact on functional requirements

- how?
- easy to measure
  - uptime
- easy to specify



# Data Specific Qualities

Size

Interoperability

Changes to schema

Replication

Consistency

# Non-Runtime Qualities

## Evolution

- code size
- coupling / dependencies

## Portability

## Reusability

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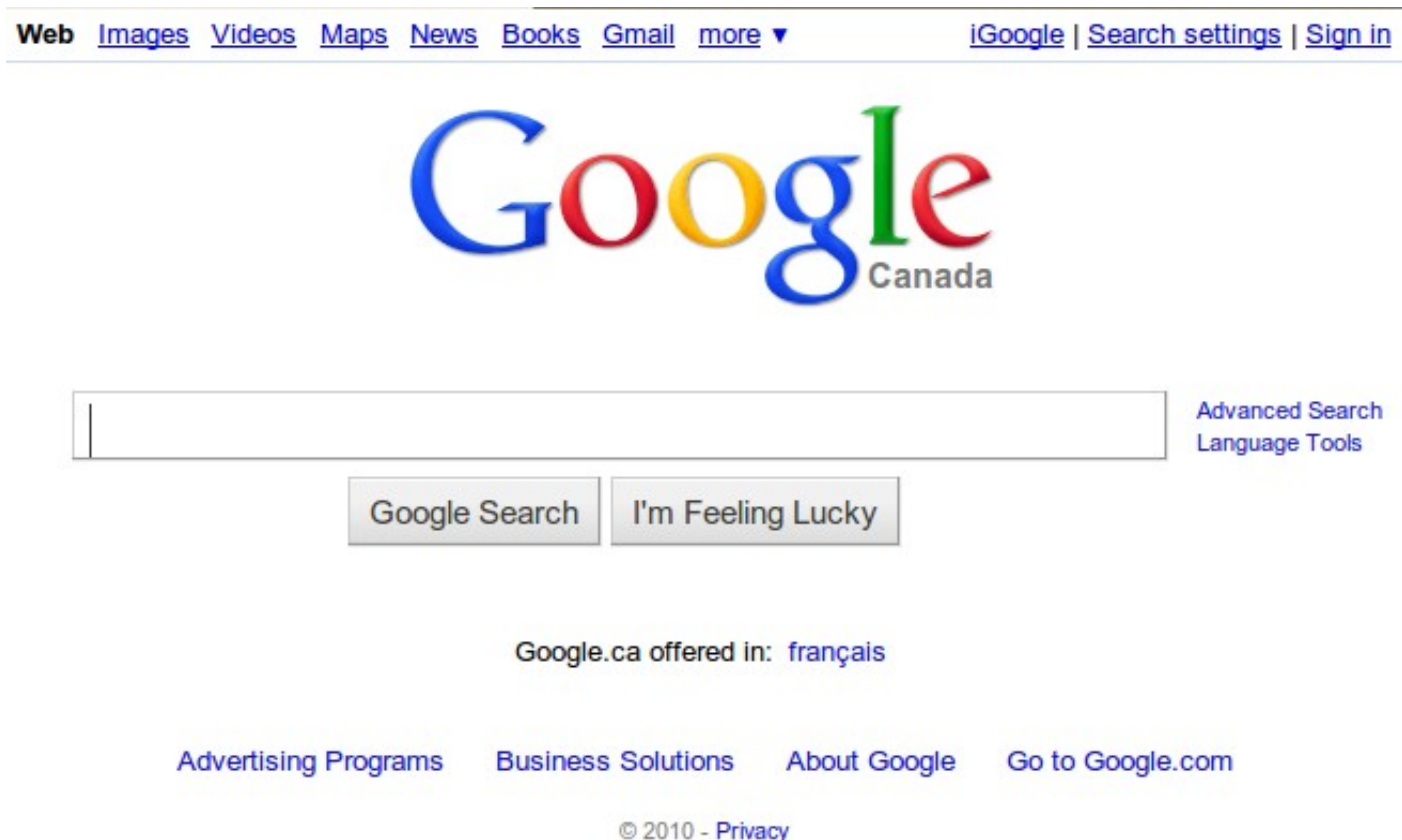
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- at what level?
  - system / components
  - data
  - *which one is better?*
- interoperability via standardization
  - communication protocols
  - schema
    - XML

# Non-Runtime Qualities

## Ease of use

- user interface is the face of the software
- logic is the back end



# Operational Qualities

## Cost

- what are some of the things that cost money

## Supportability

- user support
- technical support

## Configuration & Distribution

## Release management

- backwards compatibility