Software Requirements Specification (SRS)
Automotive Paint Defect Analysis Project

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1 Introduction

This Software Requirements Specification (SRS) document is to provide a detailed description of all software needed to complete the project. Each subsection in the document will be elaborated further below. The purpose of the Section 1 is to give an overview of the entire system, what purpose the project will serve, and lay the necessary groundwork for the rest of the SRS. Section 2 will go into greater detail about how the system will behave, what dependencies the system has, and what assumptions will have to be made to accomplish our goal. Section 3 is all about our specific requirements for how we would like the system to look, behave, and how we are meeting our goal. Section 4 is about modeling our system so when it is designed, it will make sense how all of our classes behave, and other models will explain how the system will look to the user. Section 5 is about the prototype we are creating for the system, how to run it, and how it should be behaving (not yet implemented). Section 6 includes all of our references needed throughout the SRS document (not yet applicable). Section 7 includes information about our point of contact for this project, Professor James Daly.

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of the SRS document is to provide the necessary requirements for the team of developers to complete their task, and outlines specifically how the team will meet their goal(s). The intended audience is all of those directly involved with the project, including developers, and project managers. Some models included in the document may be useful to the clients, but the intended use for the SRS document is to outline the system and implementation for the developer.

1.2 Scope

The scope of the project is to create a system to replace the current paper-based process of recording paint defects and make creating reports on the defects a trivial task.
Benefits: The system will eliminate the need for paper records and save analysts a lot of the
time previously required to generate reports. The product will implement a way for analysts to
record the defects of a vehicle, including type, location, and severity information. The product
will also allow editing of data after it has been entered, and allow analysts to easily create daily,
weekly, and monthly reports as well as reports including a custom set of vehicles over a custom
time period. The product will support the analysis of paint defects over time and ensure the
security of the system by requiring user verification.

1.3 Definitions, acronyms, and abbreviations

The terms and abbreviations are as follows:
Analyst: User for the system, interacts with the system by marking on the vehicle models where
the paint defects are, the type of the defect, and the severity of these defects.

Data: Values to be input into the system that enables it to be able to generate a report, such as
location, type, and severity of the defect, or number of cars, etc.

Report: The diagram of the vehicle model displayed with defects that is outputted based on the
data provided. Includes a defect type legend, the analyst’s name, date, and other important
information, and may be generated based on time period. Can be at different checkpoints in the
assembly line as well, such as Prime Review, Polish Deck, etc.

Vehicle Model: Diagram of the types of cars that will be involved in our system. The models will
be different for each vehicle model (including GMC Acadia, Chevrolet Traverse, and Buick
Enclave), and for each different vehicle, the vehicle model will include a right vertical view, left
vertical view, and roof outline.

Abbreviations: Automotive Paint Defect (APD), Defects Per Unit (DPU)

1.4 Organization

The rest of the Software Requirements Specification will contain: the product perspective
(2.1), product functions (2.2), user characteristics (2.3), constraints (2.4), assumptions and
dependencies (2.5), appropoportioning of requirements (2.6), specific requirements (3), modeling
requirements (4), how to run the prototype (5.1), sample scenarios of running prototype (5.2),
references (6), and point of contact (7).
2 Overall Description

This section details the environment and functions of the product as well as who is expected to use it. Constraints, assumptions made for development, and systems that the product depends upon are addressed in this section. Finally, a division of requirements is proposed, dividing features between the initial product and later versions.

2.1 Product Perspective

The product will be used in vehicle manufacturing plants. An analyst will use the system to record paint defects while examining cars and later generate reports on these defects. These reports are used to track daily rates of paint defects as well as trends in defects on the different surfaces of the vehicles being manufactured. Examination of these trends can lead to improvements in the manufacturing process. This system is diagrammed in Figure 1.

The product will have two main sides to it, one for recording paint defects and another for generating reports on the defects. These sides will be used in different environments so they have different constraints. When an analyst is recording paint defects, they will be on the assembly line, moving around the car. This means they will be using a portable device, most likely a tablet computer to record the defects. This will be a necessary change from the paper and pencil system that is in place. Due to the nature of assembly lines, the analyst must be able to record defects rapidly so the product is does not decrease the rate of production of the assembly line. For the report creation side of the product, the user is expected to use a desktop computer. The report creation process is designed to save the analyst time, so it needs to be easy to use and efficient.
2.2 Product Functions

Our product will save the analysts time by streamlining their workflow and allowing for easy creation of reports. A list of functions taken from the Requirements Definition [1] follows:
1. Implement a way for analysts to record the defects of a vehicle, including type, location, and severity information.
2. Allow editing of data after it has been entered.
3. Allow analysts to easily create daily, weekly, and monthly reports as well as reports including a custom set of vehicles over a custom time period.
4. Support the analysis of paint defects over time.
5. Ensure the security of the system by requiring user verification.

2.3 User Characteristics

The users of our product will be paint defect analysts already employed at manufacturing plants. The analysts will be skilled in identifying paint defects and their severity and familiar with creating reports on these defects. They will be comfortable using a tablet computer with a touch-screen interface as well as a desktop computer which they will have use to do tasks such as downloading files and printing reports.

2.4 Constraints

This system does not have any safety critical components as it is merely keeping track of reported defects and generating reports based on the reports. It might be detrimental to lose data due to a system crash or a bug, but no one will be in mortal danger if a few days worth of reports go to /dev/null.
If reports are not saved properly or reports get deleted, the system will not be able to generate the reports. These mistakes would occur with a fundamental misunderstanding of the way the system is functioning though. I'd recommend solid training in the reporting software to prevent misuse of the forms. It might be good to build in some auto saving and undo functionality to prevent loss of data.

2.5 Assumptions and Dependencies

This software will require a some type of computer to be present on the line when workers are inspecting and recording defects. It will also require that the computer have a basic internet browser installed on it as this software will exist as a web application. User interaction will be
primarily through forms. Either forms for data input, or forms for requesting different reports from
the logged data.

2.6 Appropor tioning of Requirements

This software is supposed to extend functionality to any arbitrary car model. It might be best to
focus on getting the report functionality working before looking at interfaces for adding new
vehicles to the reporting system. The software should be developed with that goal in mind,
however that functionality is not immediately required for the software to be useful to the client.

3 Specific Requirements

- Give an enumerated list of requirements.
- As appropriate, use a hierarchical numbering scheme.

1 Create Session
   1.1 The analyst creates a session
   1.2 The form to fill out becomes viewable
   1.2 Analyst can now edit the form

2 Add Car
   2.1 Form has option to add cars you want to generate a report on
   2.2 Many cars and car models can be added

3 Add Defect
   3.1 Each car added has a defect that will be entered in the form
   3.2 Type, location, and severity of the defect are also entered

4 Add Report Time Interval
   4.1 Reports can be generated for a specified amount of time
   4.2 The analyst may enter any time interval into form

5 Generate Report
   5.1 The report based on the data entered in the form is created
   5.2 The report includes visual representations
   5.3 The visuals shown include cars and defects
   5.4 The report is generated for the specified time interval

6 Update Report
   6.1 The analyst can go back and edit the form for a specific report
   6.2 A new report is generated based on the new data

7 Remove Report
   7.1 Reports can be deleted at any time
4 Modeling Requirements

Use Case: Create Session
Actors: Analyst
Type: Primary and Essential
Description: The Analyst clicks a button on the screen to create a session. This is where the analyst will input all imperfections for as many vehicles as they want. The analyst must select a location here. Many sessions are used to generate a report, many cars are in a session, and many imperfections are in a car.
Cross Ref.: 

Use Case: Add Car
Actors: Analyst
Type: Secondary
Description: The Analyst clicks a button within the session screen to add a car. The Analyst will select a type of car. Here, the user will add imperfections.
Cross Ref.: 
Use-Cases: Analyst must have completed the Create Session use case.

Use Case: Edit Car
Actors: Analyst
Type: Secondary
Description: The Analyst can edit a car from the main session screen. Here, the Analyst can make any necessary changes to a car, like add or edit imperfections as well. Special case of the Add Car use case.
Cross Ref.:  
Use-Cases: Analyst must have completed the Add Car use case.

Use Case: Add Imperfection  
Actors: Analyst  
Type: Secondary  
Description: The Analyst a button on the screen to add as many imperfections as are applicable to this car. The Analyst will select a location and severity of imperfection.  
Cross Ref.:  
Use-Cases: Analyst must have completed the Add Car or Edit Car use cases.

Use Case: Edit Imperfection  
Actors: Analyst  
Type: Secondary  
Description: The Analyst can edit an imperfection from the add car or edit car screen. Here, the Analyst can make any necessary changes to an imperfection, like change location or severity. Special case of the Add Imperfection use case.  
Cross Ref.:  
Use-Cases: Analyst must have completed the Add Imperfection use case.

Use Case: Generate Report  
Actors: Analyst  
Type: Primary and Essential  
Description: The Analyst clicks a button on the main screen to generate a report. From here, the Analyst will select a type of report that they want to generate, and the Analyst may select a time frame or certain number of sessions in order to generate a report. The Analyst must also select a location for which plant the report will be generated from.  
Cross Ref.:  
Use-Cases: Analyst must have completed the Create Session use case.
In the scenario depicted below, an Analyst accesses the interface for our product. He then creates a recording session (this is the Create Session use case) and inputs the necessary information. Within this session, he adds a car (the Add Car use case) and records its information and then adds an imperfection (the Add Imperfection use case). He records the imperfection details and closes out of the imperfection and car screens. Then he decides to edit the imperfection he just made, so he selects the car he just added and chooses to edit it (the Edit Car use case) and does the same for the imperfection he created (the Edit Imperfection use case). While editing the imperfection, he changes the data he needed to change and closes out of the imperfection and car views. Throughout the process, the system saves the session to the database, ensuring that no data will be lost even if the session view is not completed properly.
In the second scenario, diagrammed below, an analyst creates a report using our system (the Generate Report use case). They tell the system they want to create a report, input the information for the report including which plant the report is for and a title of the report. Then they select the imperfection recording sessions that they want to create the report on and generate and save the report. The session table is accessed to get information about sessions for selection and to retrieve the selected sessions themselves.
The state diagram begins in the Home state, and from there you can either generate a report or create a session. In order to generate reports, you must have created multiple sessions to draw off of first. When generating a report you can add or remove as many sessions as you want to generate from. When in the Session state, you can either add or edit a car. Both
adding and editing car then execute the same states, but a car must be created first before you can edit it.

5 Prototype

The initial prototype will have the UI implemented but it will not create reports or store session data in a database. The prototype does exist at this time so the rest of section 5 has been omitted from this draft.

6 References

Documents can be obtained from the website cited as [2].


7 Point of Contact

For further information regarding this document and project, please contact Prof. James Daly at Michigan State University (dalyjame at cse.msu.edu). All materials in this document have been sanitized for proprietary data. The students and the instructor gratefully acknowledge the participation of our industrial collaborators.