

# Software Engineering

## (2) Domain Analysis Requirements Analysis

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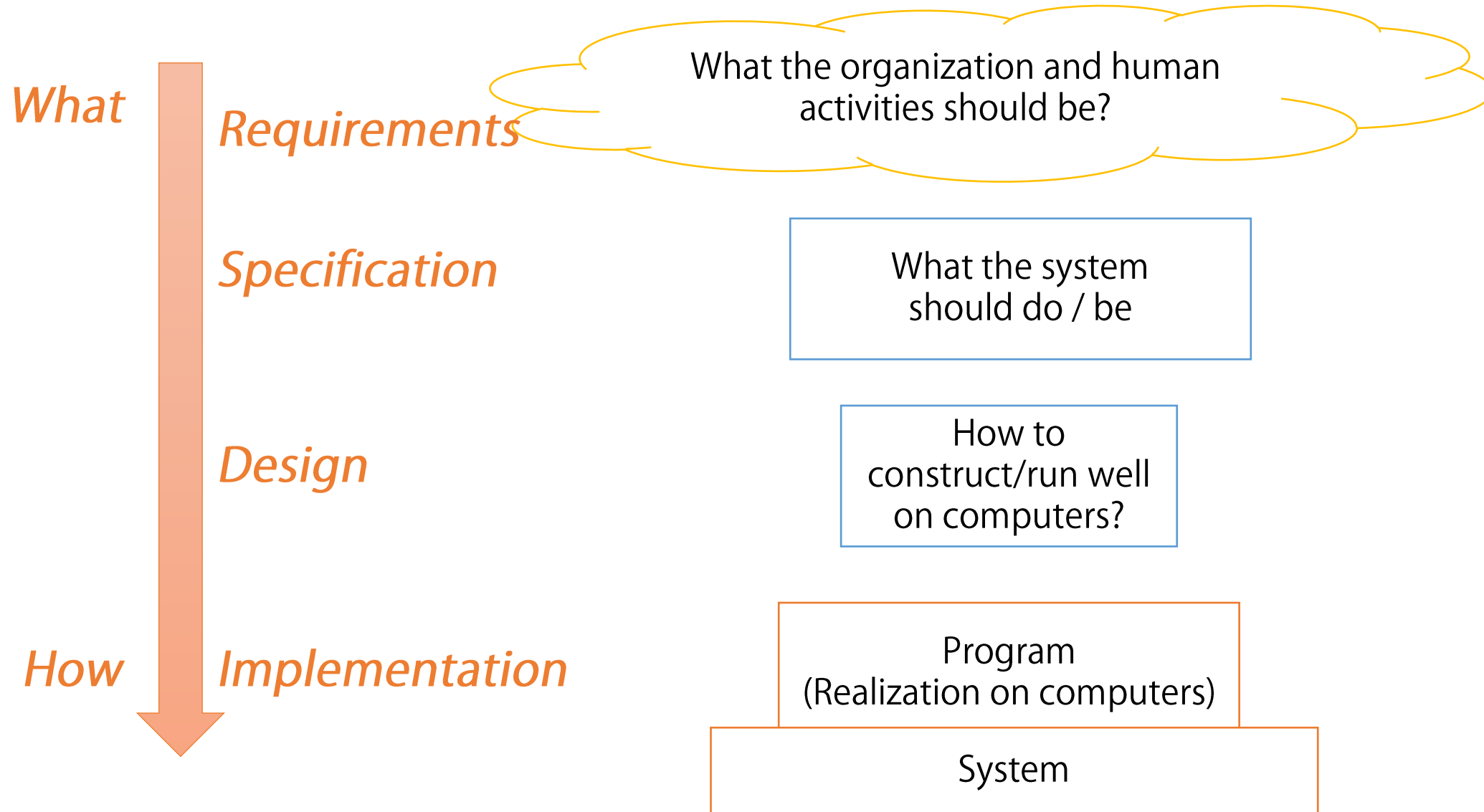
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# [Review] Abstraction Level in Software Development



# Software Requirements

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## ■ Software Requirements:

Properties that should be satisfied to solve problems in the real world

## ■ Requirements Engineering (要求工学) :

Engineering about elicitation, analysis, specification, validation, and management of software requirement

## ■ Keywords

■ Problem Domain (問題領域) , before Solution (解決領域)

■ Stakeholders

# Significance of Requirements

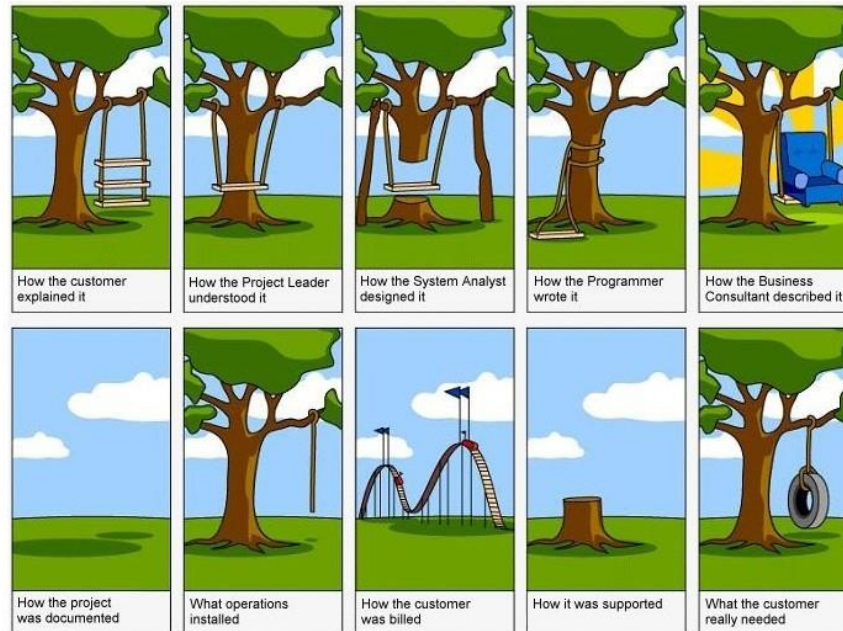
- Consume 30-50% of resource with problematic requirements

[ B.W. Boehm et al., Understanding and controlling software costs, 1988 ]

- Problems in requirements occupy 55% of delay causes

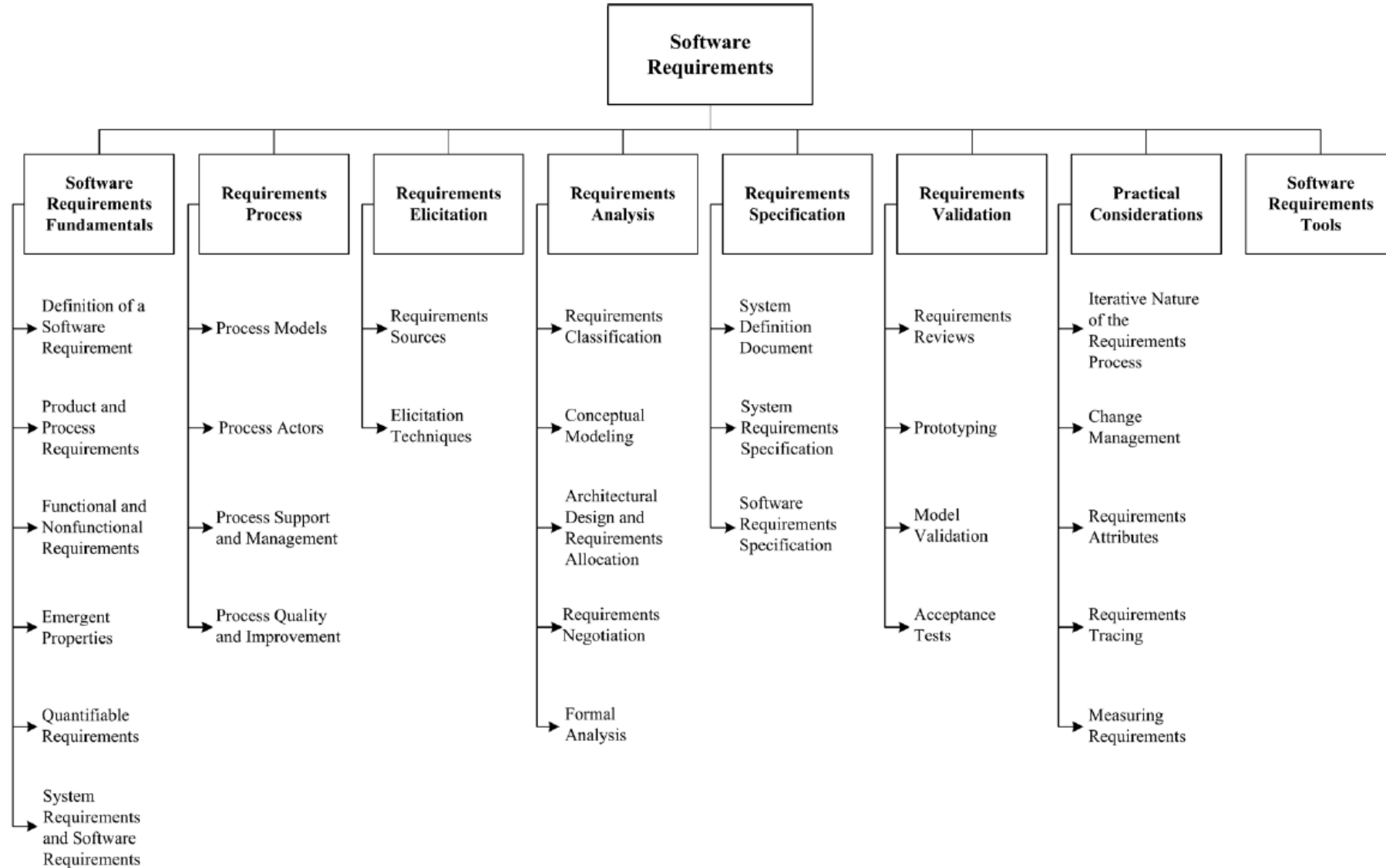
[ JUAS・ユーザー企業ソフトウェアメトリックス調査2016 ]

- Famous irony



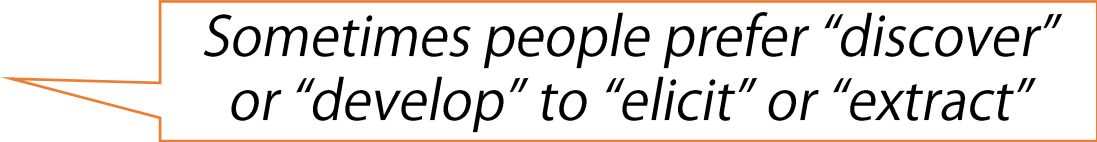
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# Requirements Knowledge in SWEBOK



# Activities in Requirements Engineering

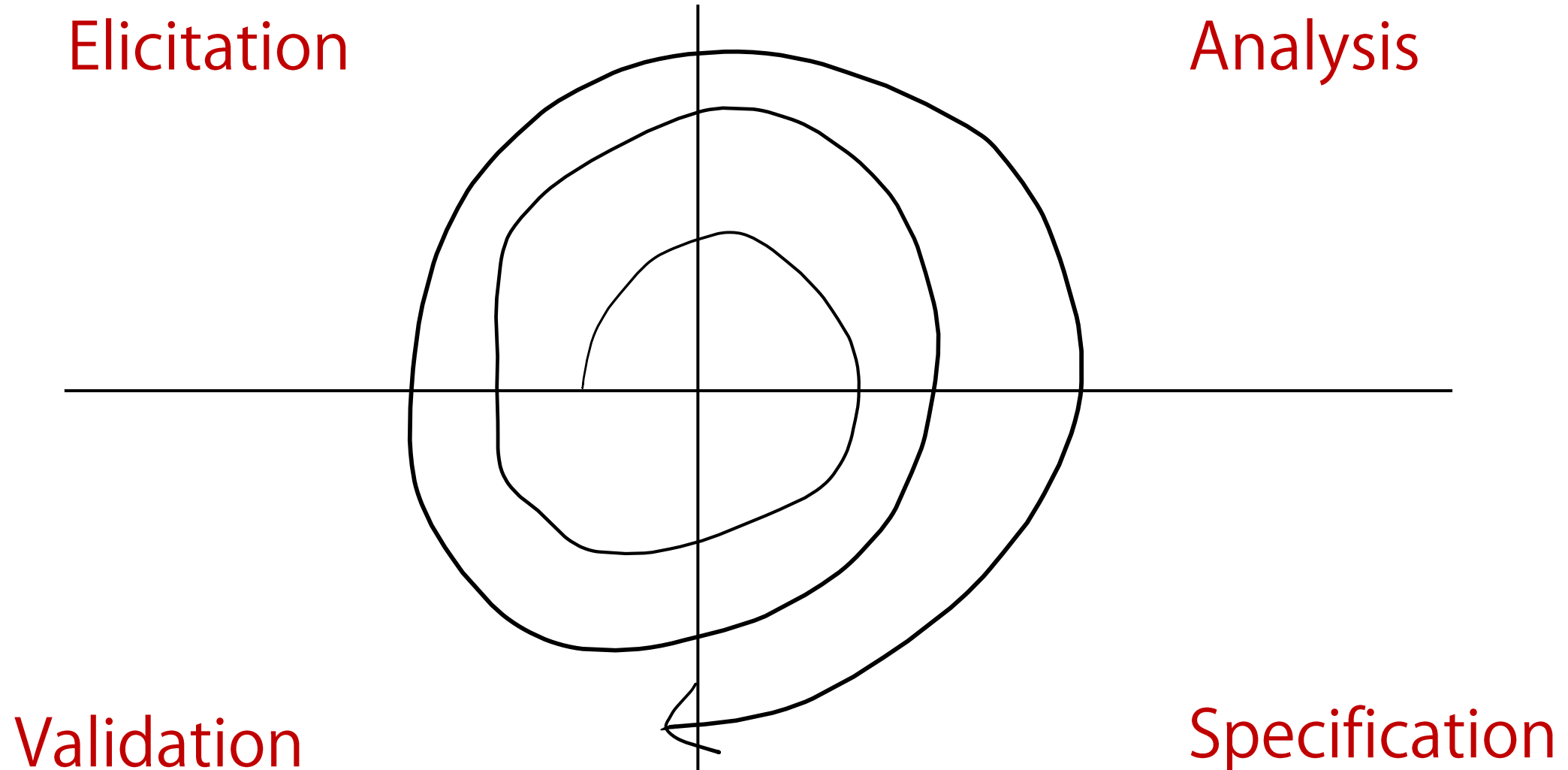
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- **Elicitation**: elicit requirements through understanding the problems that should be solved 

*Sometimes people prefer “discover” or “develop” to “elicit” or “extract”*
- **Analysis**: classify requirements, detect and resolve conflicts, clarify the boundary
- **Specification**: build documents for sharing, validation, and agreement
- **Validation**: check preciseness, consistency, completeness, ...

# Iterative Nature of Requirements Engineering

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# IEEE 830

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## ■ IEEE 830 (1998): *IEEE Recommended Practice for Software Requirements Specifications*

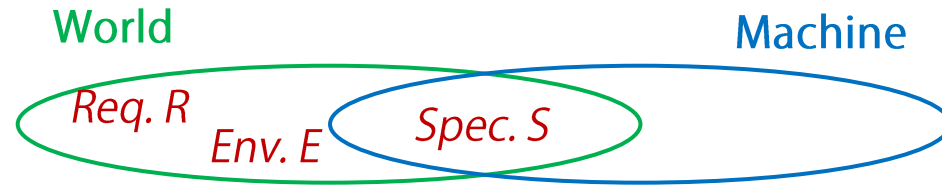
### ■ Quality characteristics defined as follows

- Correct
- Unambiguous
- Complete
- Consistent
- Ranked for importance and/or stability
- Verifiable
- Modifiable
- Traceable

# One View of Requirements and World

## ■ The model by Zave/Jackson

$$S, E \models R$$



*Does the specification  $S$  of the machine satisfy the requirements  $R$  under the environmental assumptions  $E$ ?*



[ image from <http://www.fujitaka.com/> ]

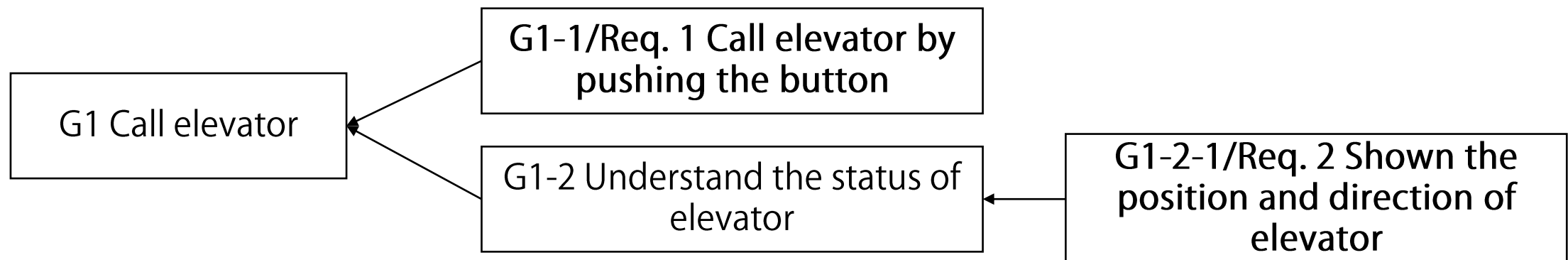
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S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Unlock when pay occurs</li><li>• Lock when push occurs</li></ul>
E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• push and enter alternates</li><li>• push cannot occur after lock until unlock occurs</li></ul>

[ Zave et al., Four Dark Corners of Requirements Engineering, 1997 ]

# Example of Terminology (High Diversity)

## ■ Goal models

- Goal: what (various) stakeholders want to achieve
- Subgoal (of a goal): goals necessary to achieve the goal, possibly multiple (all necessary or alternatives)
- Requirements: goals that have been concretized enough to judge the feasibility and chosen to be realized



# Example of Terminology (High Diversity)

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## ■ 要求仕様

- 要求が陽に文書化された場合に，こう呼ぶことが多い

## ■ 実際にはいろいろな用語が使われている

- 標準により異なる
- 組織内用語が産まれる
- 「真の要求」：前頁の用法で言うなら「顕在化しづらいゴール」
- 「要求と要件」：前頁「ゴールと要求」の関係を指すことが多い
- 単に言葉が適当なだけなこと

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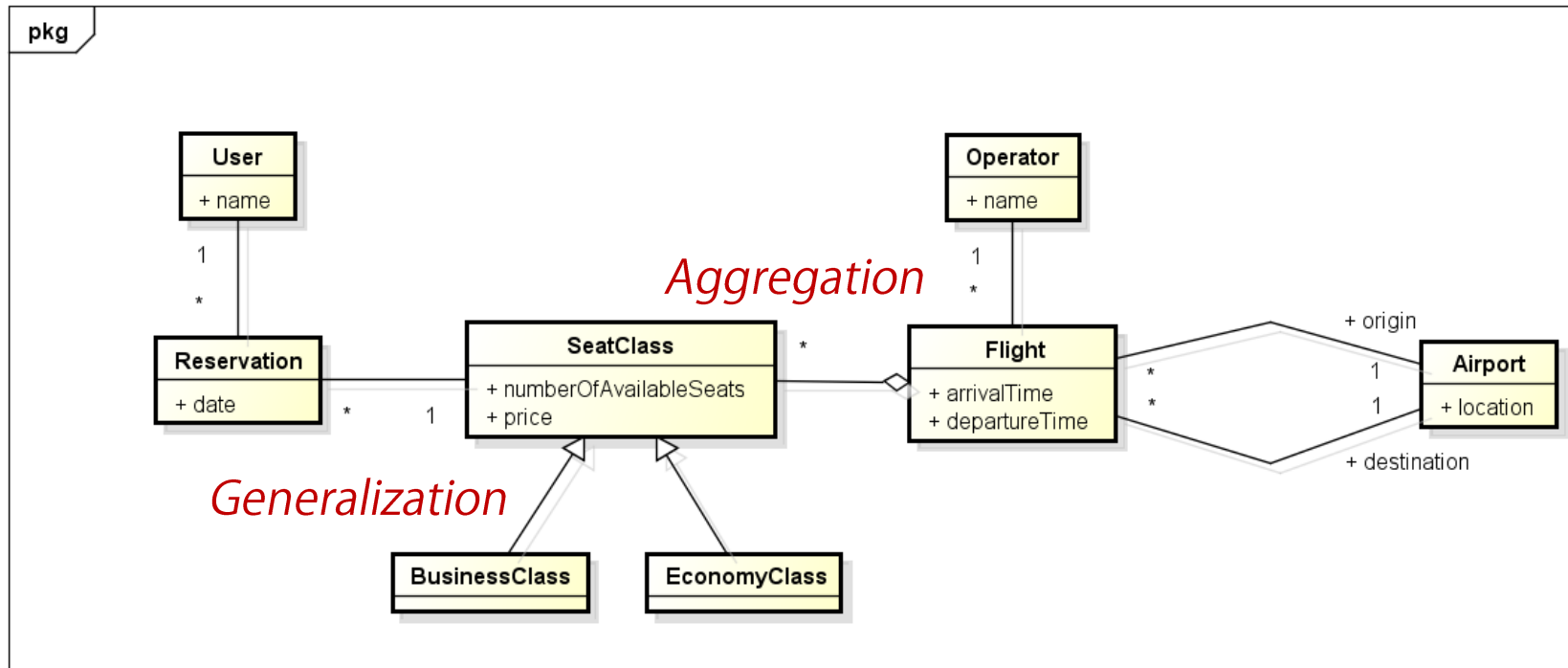
# Domain Modeling and Analysis

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- Domain Modeling and Analysis  
(Conceptual Modeling and Analysis)
  - Understand and represent concepts and relationships that constitute the target domain of the real world
  - Describe basically the *As-Is* without *To-Be*, or the system to be developed

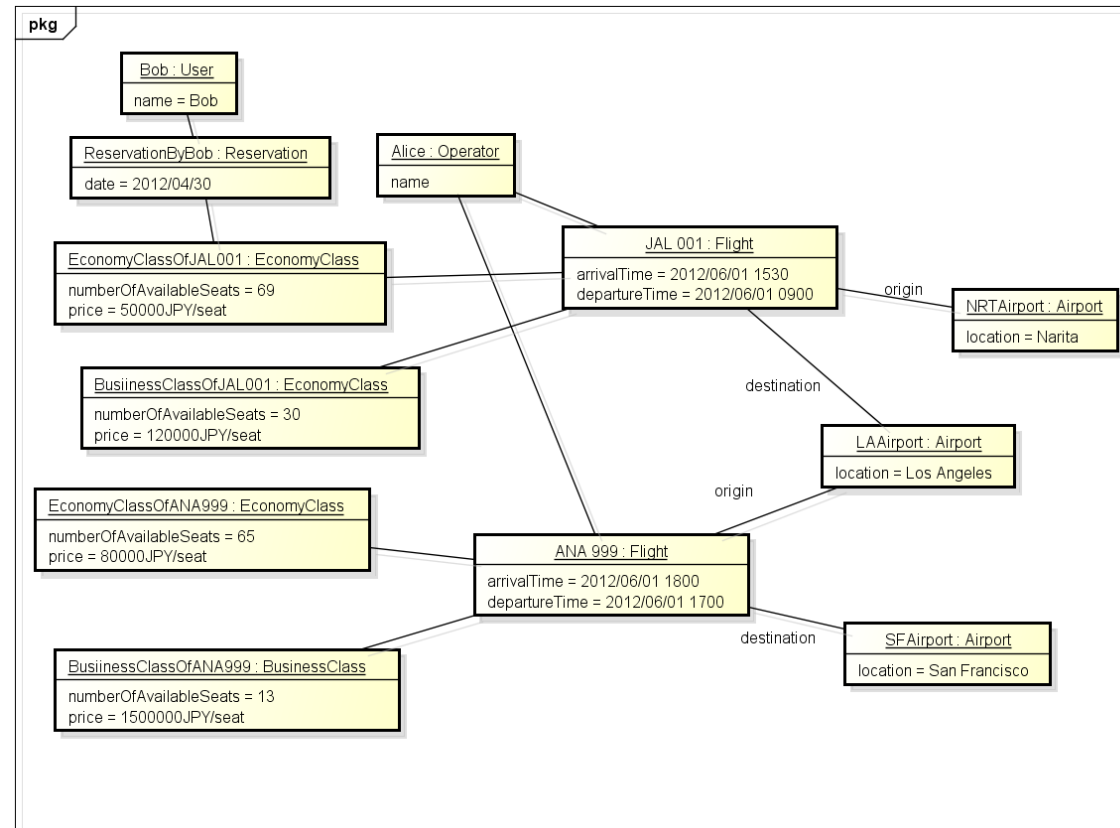
# Conceptual Modeling

- Concepts about flight reservation in the UML **class diagram**
  - Relations, especially, aggregation (has-a), generalization (is-a), and multiplicity



# Conceptual Modeling

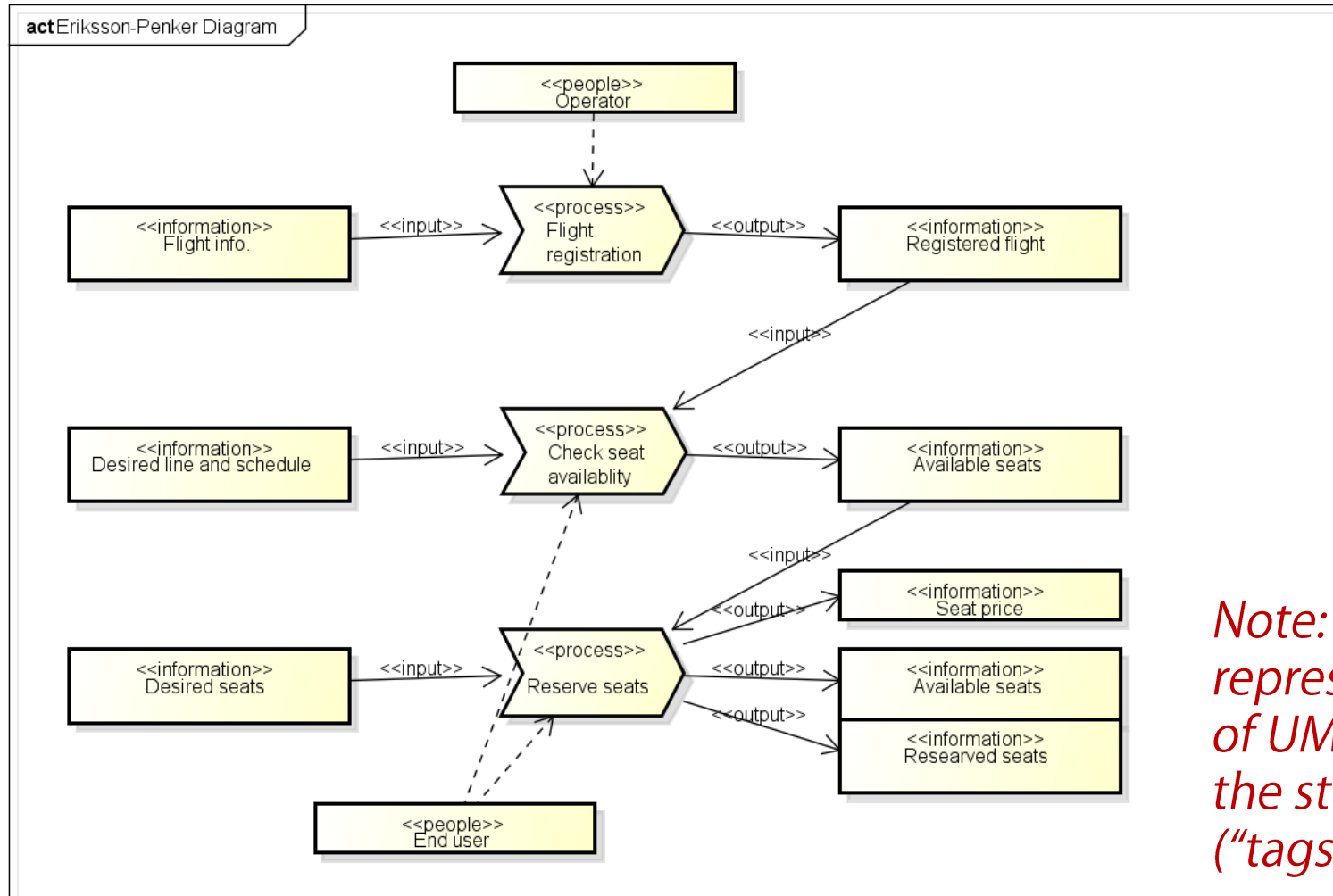
- Instance of the previous flight reservation concepts in UML **instance diagram**





# Conceptual Modeling

## ■ Process of flight reservation (Eriksson-Penker Diagram)



*Note: Eriksson-Penker diagram is represented as an extended version of UML activity diagram with the stereotype mechanism ("tags" with the <<XXX>> notation)*

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# Requirements Modeling and Analysis

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- Solving real-world problems by computer systems
  - Draw the **To-Be** on the basis of **As-Is**
- **Use Case** (ユースケース) :  
defines scenarios about how user tasks are completed  
(with the system to be developed)

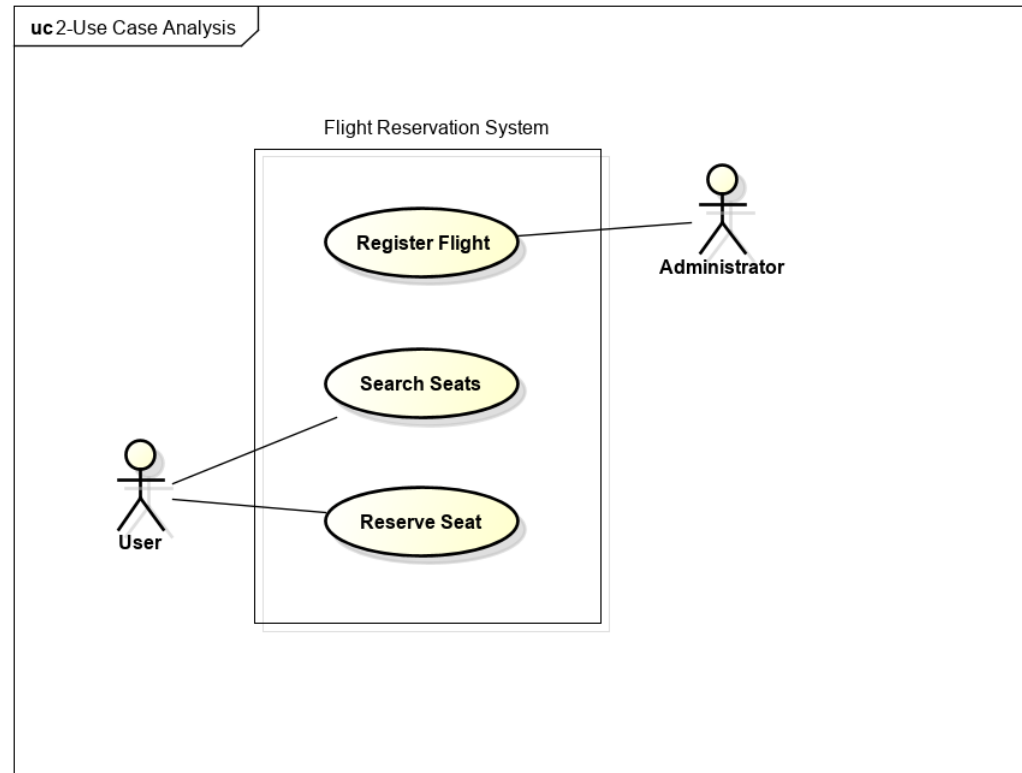
# Requirements Modeling and Analysis

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- Suppose the following results from hearing  In a very old days...
  - Cannot make reservations to visit office branches or make calls during the work hours
  - ➔ Traveling users should be able to make reservations by themselves anytime at any place
  - Too costly to organize and analysis the present reservation status to make decisions on prices
  - ➔ The status should be automatically organized so that staffs of the flight company can easily understand it

# Requirements Modeling

- **Use case diagram** for the flight reservation system
  - Actors
  - Use cases
  - System boundary



# Requirements Modeling

## ■ Use case description

**Use Case:** Register Flight

**Actor:** Administrator

**Purpose:** make a new flight accessible on the system

**Precondition:** none

**Postcondition:** a flight with inputted route and schedule is registered

**Basic Sequence:**

1. The actor indicates an intention to register a new flight
2. The system prompts the actor to input the route (departure, destination) and schedule (departure, arrival), as well as price and the number of available seats for each class
3. The actor inputs the information to the system
4. The system registers the flight information
5. The system shows the registered information to the actor

**Alternative Sequence:** none

**Remarks:** none

**Scenario:** Bob with the administrator role indicates ... inputs a flight information from Tokyo Narita to Paris CDG ...

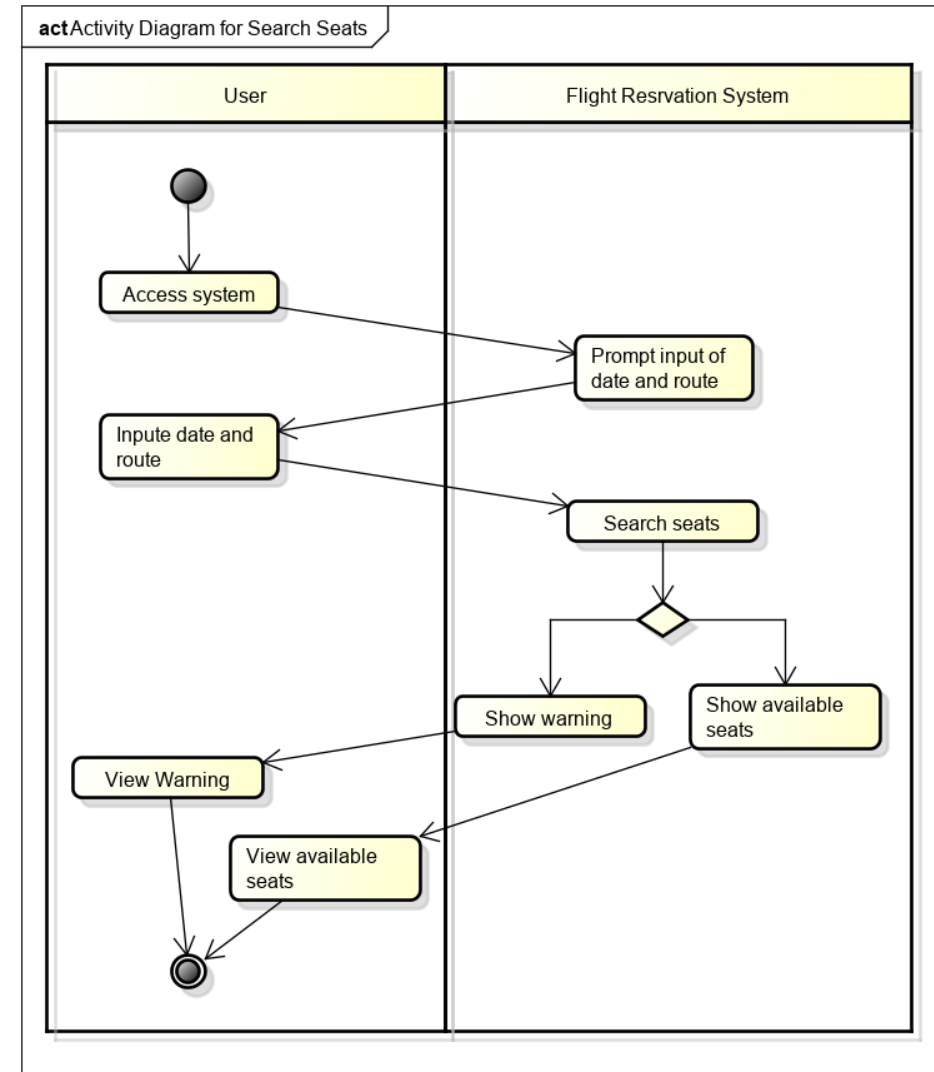
# Requirements Modeling

## ■ Activity diagram:

a sequence

for each use case

- Actors and the system (in partitions)
- Ordering and branch



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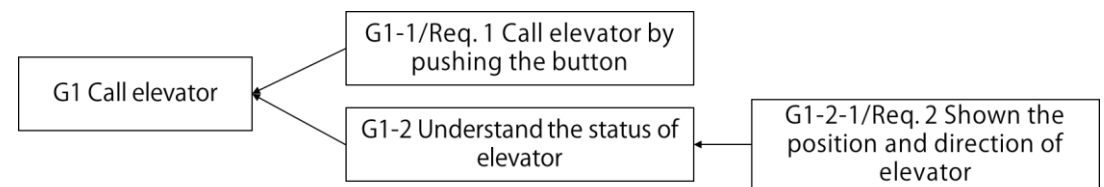
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# Goal-Oriented Requirements Analysis

## ■ Goal-Oriented Requirements Analysis

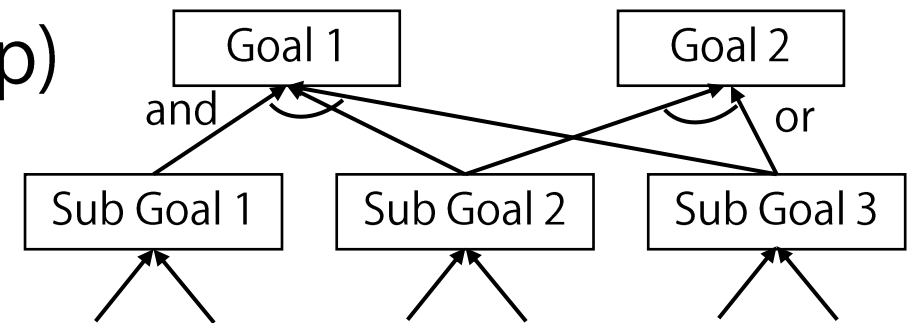
- The previous UML models assumed use cases are obtained somehow, rather than supporting to derive them
- The focus should be deriving use cases from high-level **goals**
- Goals should be structured in a **hierarchical** way
  - From abstract business goals
  - Into concrete requirements to be satisfied by the computer system
  - **“We want A for B”** relationships



# Goal Modeling in General

## ■ Hierarchical structure of **AND/OR decomposition**

- Generally, DAGs (directed acyclic graphs)  
(multiple sub-goals for one goal, no loop)



## ■ Distinction of hard goals and soft goals

- Whether goal satisfaction is judged in a binary way (true/false) or in “how much”
- Non-functional aspects appear often as soft goals

# Expected Benefits of Goal Models

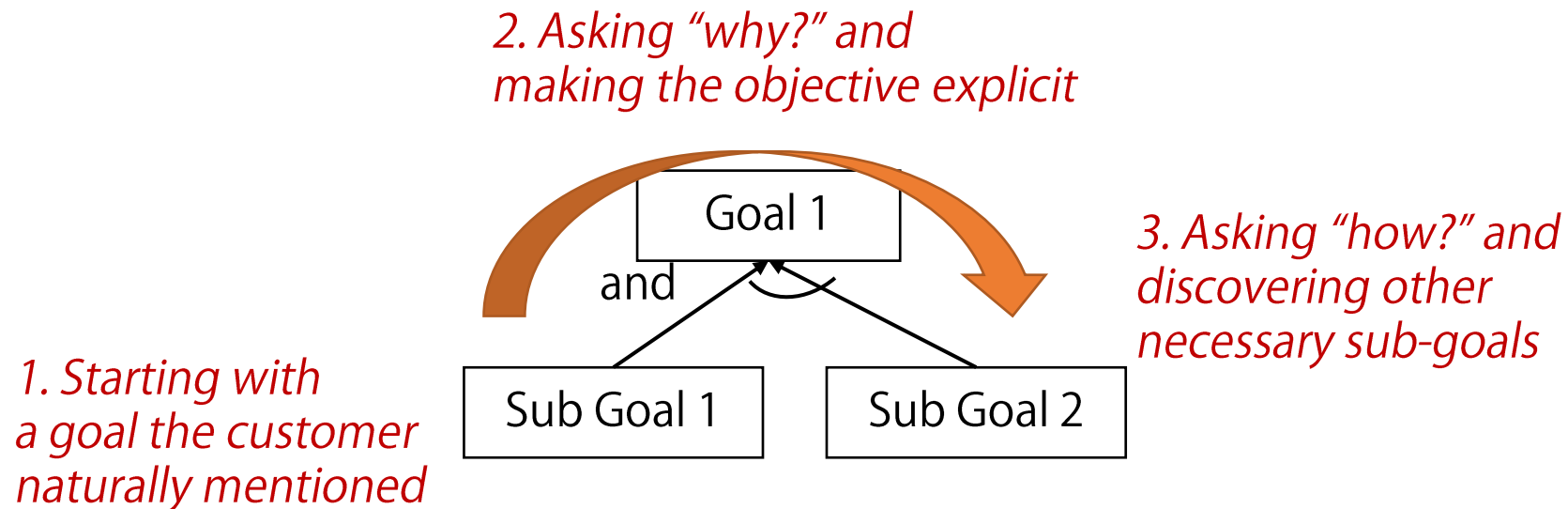
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- Facilitates validation
  - Do we cover all what stakeholders want?
  - Don't we include something other than what stakeholders want?
- Facilitates comparison of different means
  - By OR decomposition
- Facilitates traceability
  - e.g., understanding change impact

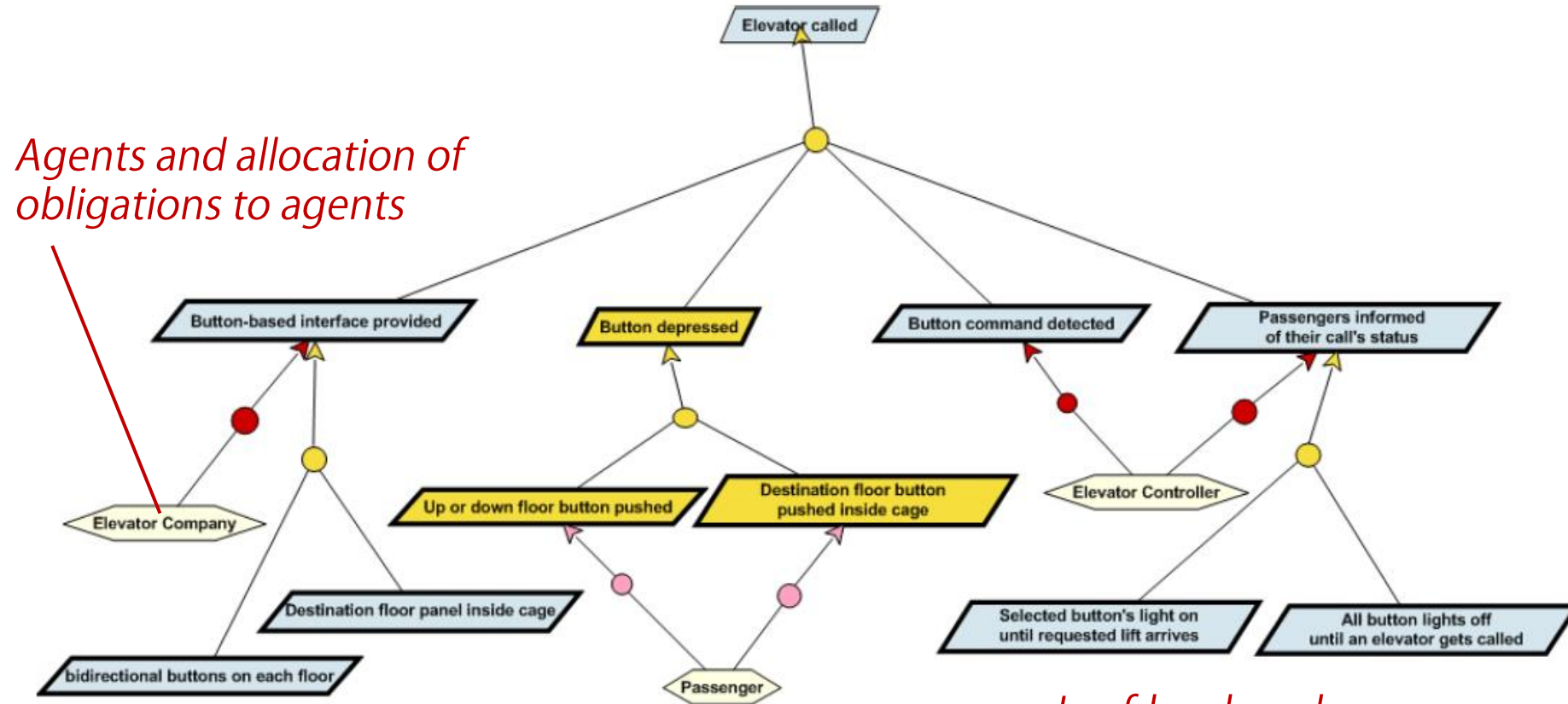
# Order of Goal Modeling

## ■ How to build goal models

- Top-down (from abstract to concrete): asking “how?”
- Bottom-up (from concrete to abstract): asking “why?”
- Typically, iteration of both directions



# Method Example: KAOS



*Agents and allocation of obligations to agents*

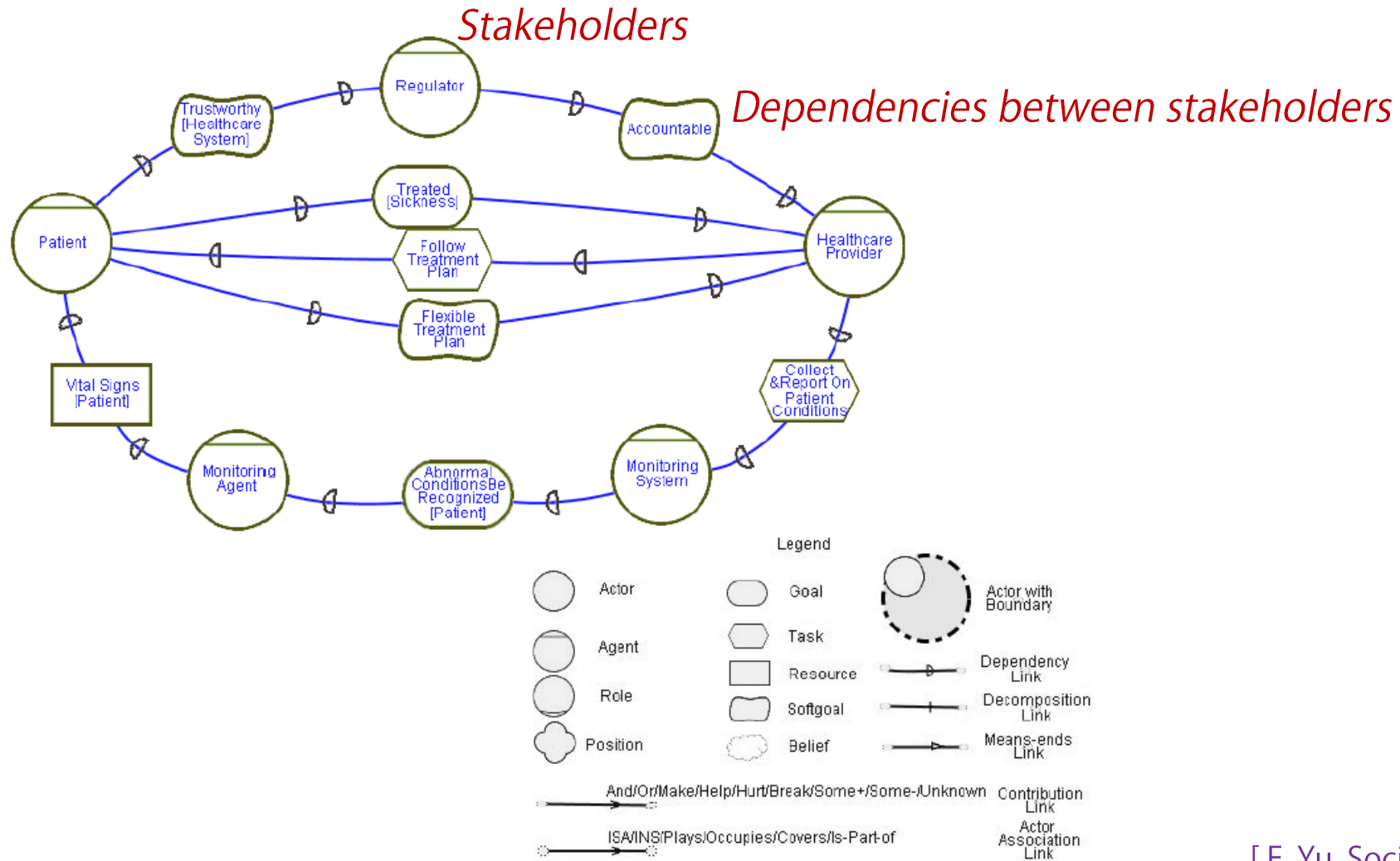
*Yellow goals allocated to users represent assumptions (what the system is not responsible for)*

*Leaf-level goals are requirements (we decided to satisfy them, and they are enough concrete to be implemented)*

[ <http://www.objectiver.com/> ]

# Method Example: i\*

## Strategic Dependency Model for As-Is



[ E. Yu, Social Modeling and i\* ]

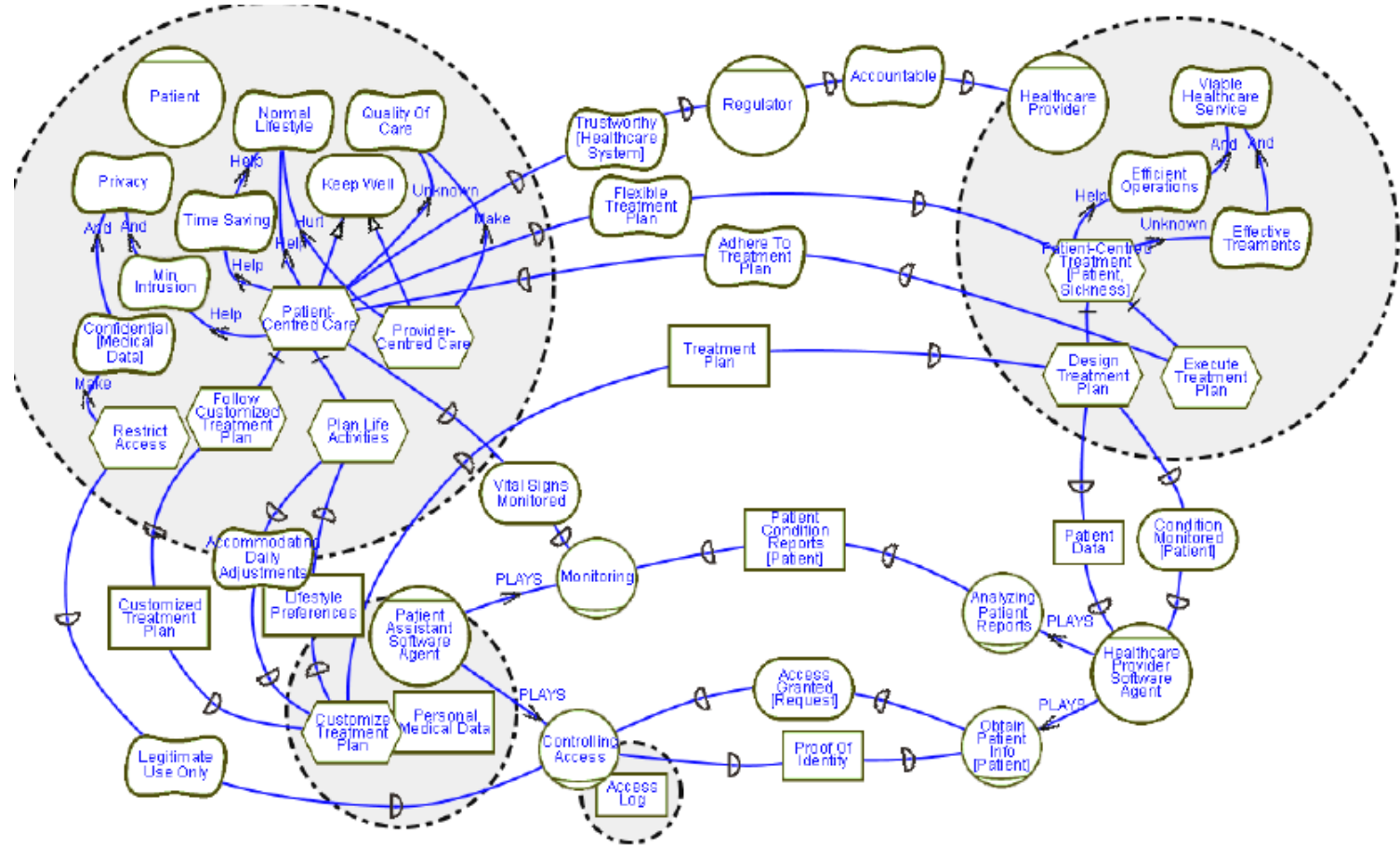
# Method Example: i\*

Strategic Rationale Model for To-Be

*Goals for each stakeholder*

*Dependencies between goals of different stakeholders*

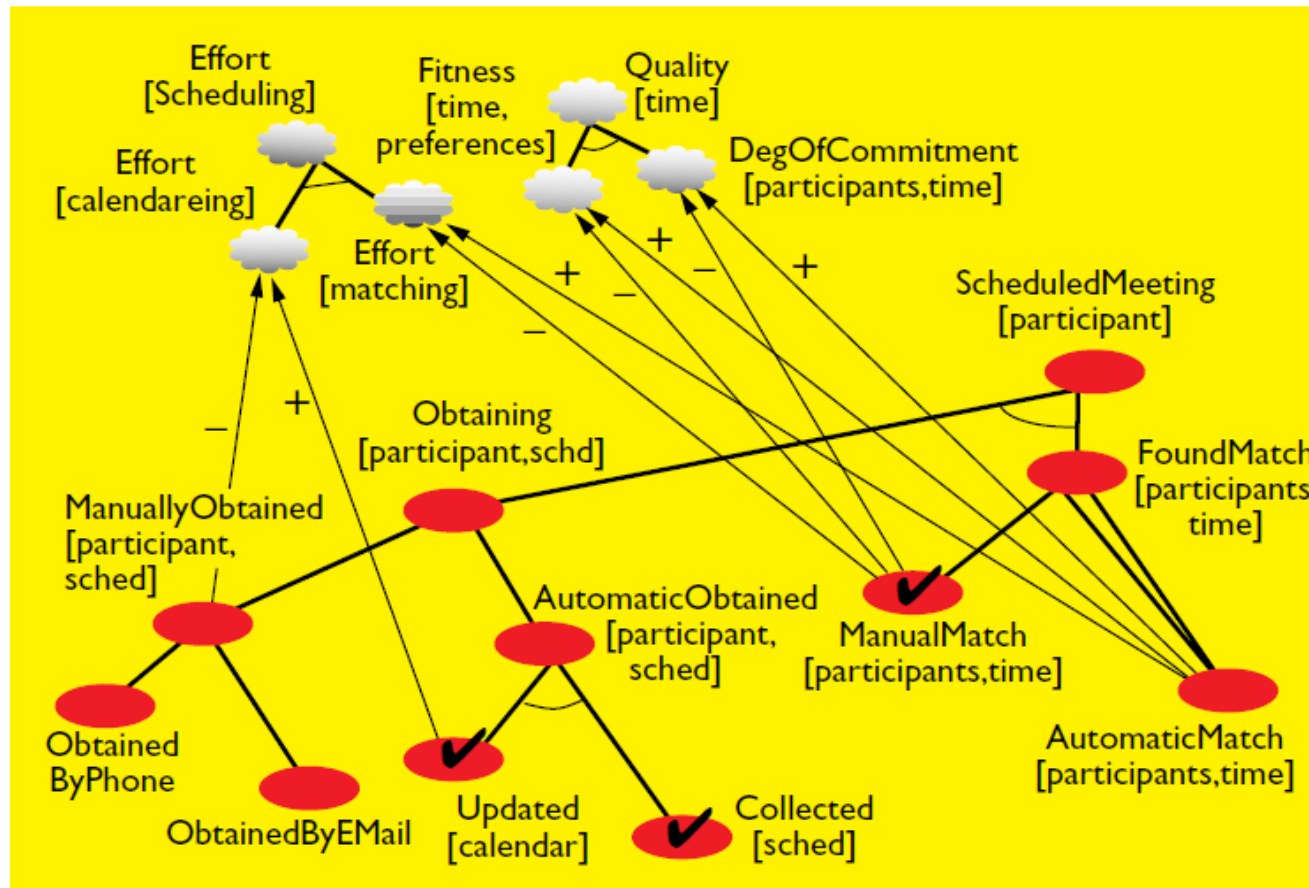
*Levels clarified for how much each sub-goal contributes to the soft super-goal (Make, Help, etc.)*



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# Method Example: NFR

*Non-functional goals (clouds) and contributions of sub-goals (+ / -)*

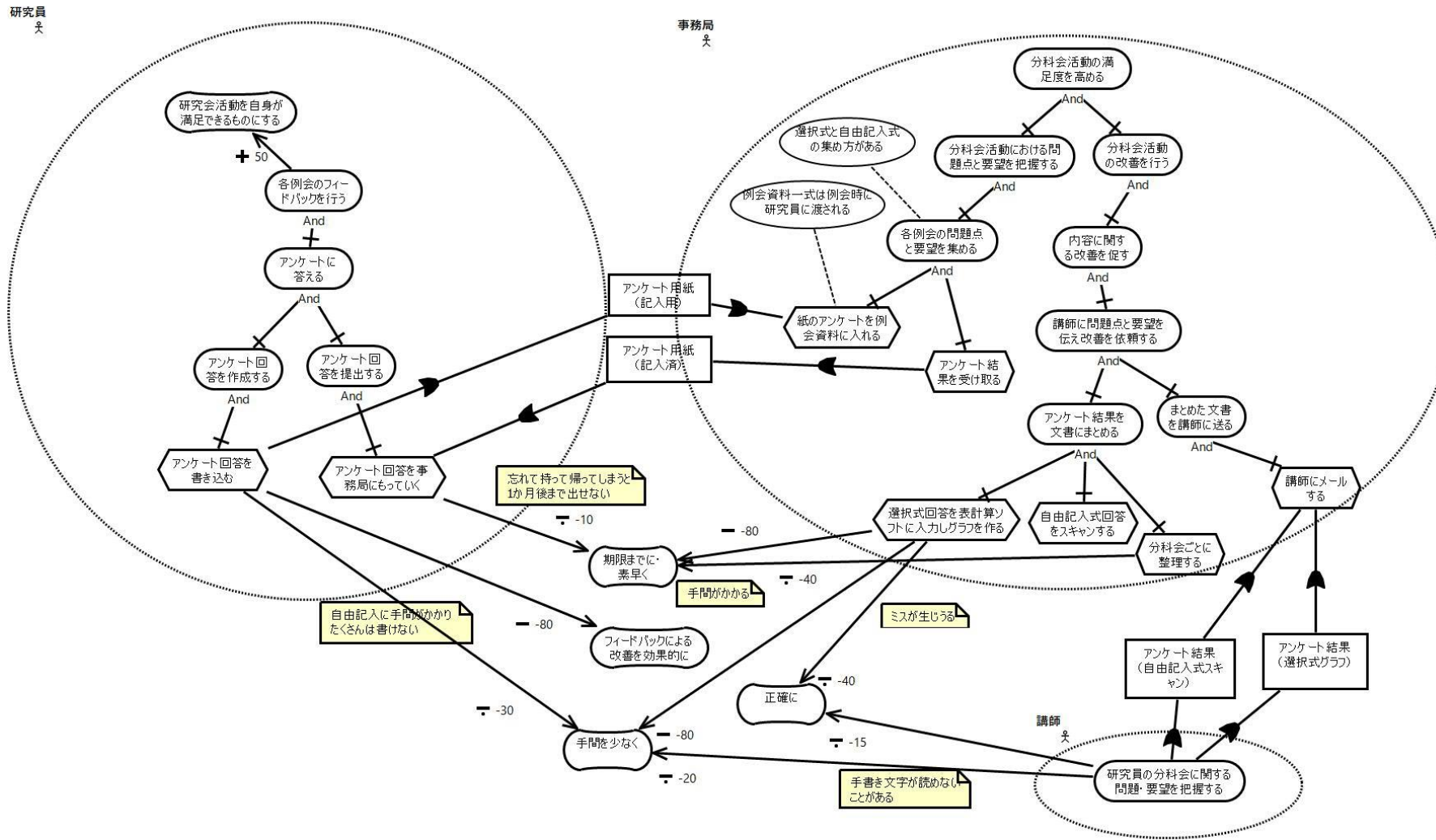


*Alternative goals (or decomposition) are evaluated 2nd and selected*

[ J. Mylopoulos et al., From object-oriented to goal-oriented requirements analysis, CACM'99 ]

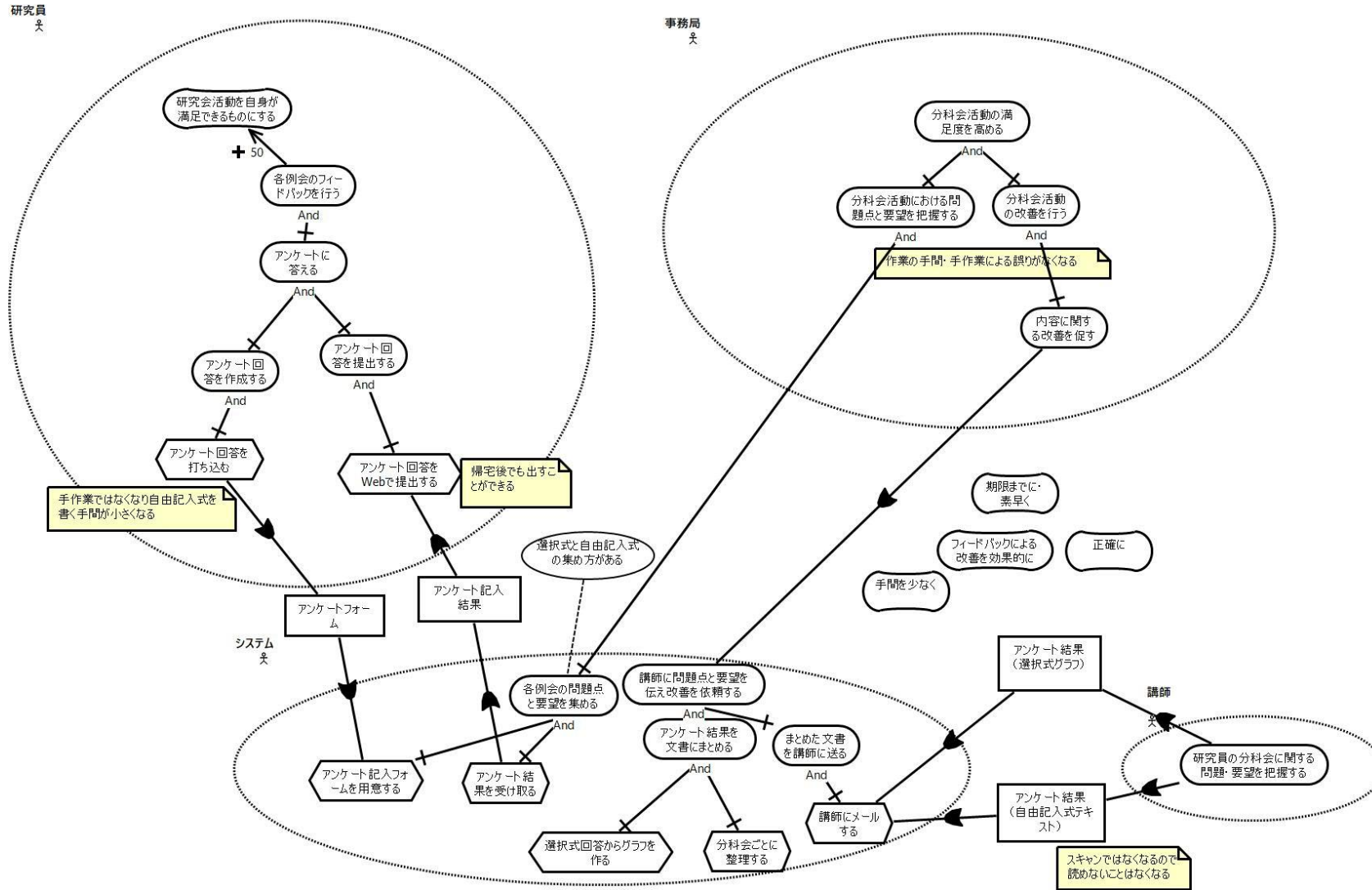


# Example (1): AsIs



User Requirements Notation (URN) (standardized by combining  $i^*$  and NFR)

# Example (2): ToBe



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# Actual Usages of Goal Models

- The examples were “initial ones that made the impact”
  - Few people may use them directly nowadays (?)
- The “we want A for B” relationship is very, very essential
  - e.g., it is very common to use spreadsheets to model the few-level goal structures

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		説明	実装時期は、10月ごろ。
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# Other Topics for Requirements Engineering

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- Business analysis
  - SWOT, Business Model Canvas, ...
- More upper-level: creating and organizing ideas
  - 「超上流要求工学」
  - Brain storming, K-J method, ...
- Methods for elicitation and communication
  - Interview, ethnography, persona analysis, ...
- Methods for validation
  - Prototyping, ...

# Note for Following Topic: Uncertainty of Requirements

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- It is very difficult to “completely” enumerate what should be done in the target business or human activities
  - Can you be confident for the 800-page specification document?
  - Are they still valid after 1 year of development?
  - (but this may be inevitable in some large systems)
- ➔ One possibility is to work on a smaller set of requirements, for 2-3 weeks, and have iteration  
(to be discussed in agile software development)

# Summary

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- Domain Analysis / Requirements Analysis
  - The most significant activities that affect the success/failure of the project
  - Understanding of the problem domain, and draw ToBe from AsIs
  - Systematic methods to tackle the very difficult activities involving various stakeholders, without no “right answer”