# Génie logiciel pour la conception d'un Système d'Information

**CSC4521** 

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### **Functional Design**

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The designer of a new kind of system must participate fully in the implementation.

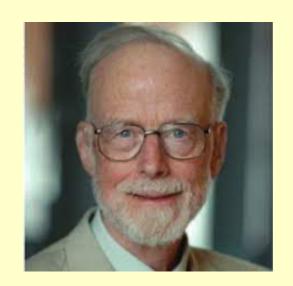
... the **designer** of a new system must not only be the implementor and the first large-scale user; the **designer** should also write the first user manual. ... If I had not participated fully in all these activities, literally hundreds of improvements would never have been made, because I would never have thought of them or perceived why they were important.



—Donald E. Knuth

There are two ways of constructing a software design. One way is to make it so simple that there are obviously no deficiencies. And the other way is to make it so complicated that there are no obvious deficiencies.

—C.A.R. Hoare



It's hard to read through a book on the principles of magic without glancing at the cover periodically to make sure it isn't a book on software design.

—Bruce Tognazzini

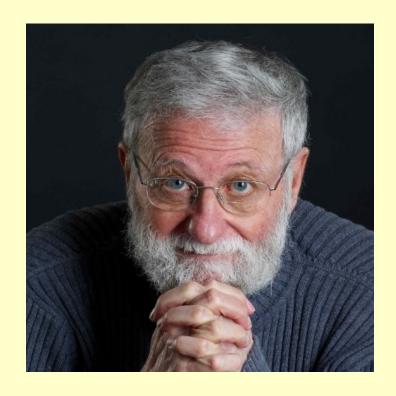


**Design** and programming are human activities; forget that and all is lost.

—Bjarne Stroustrup



The hardest part of design ... is keeping features out. —Donald Norman



Design is the art of separation, grouping, abstraction, and hiding. The fulcrum of design decisions is change. Separate those things that change for different reasons. Group together those things that change for the same reason.

—Robert Martin



Don't ask whether
you can do
something, but
how to do it.
—Adele Goldberg

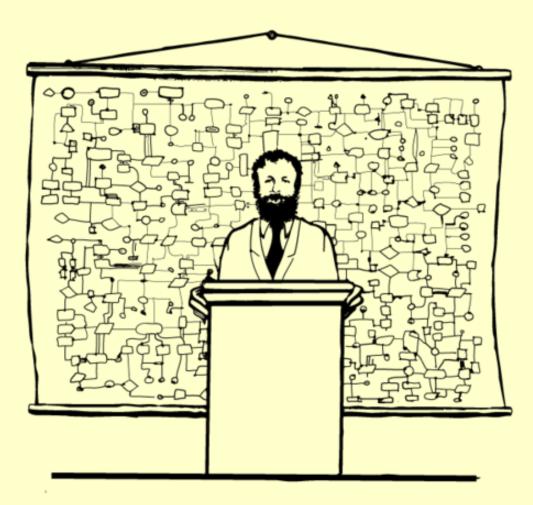


Designing something just powerful enough is an art

—Barbara Liskov



### How To Judge If A Design Is Good?



"Now that you have an overview of the system, we're ready for a little more detail"

# **Some Suggested Reading**

On the Criteria To Be Used in Decomposing Systems into Modules, Parnas, 1972

A Rational Design Process: How and Why to Fake It, Parnas and Clements, 1986

A field study of the software design process for large systems, Curtis, B. and Krasner, H. and Iscoe, N.,1988

What is Software Design?, Jack W. Reeves, 1992

Bad smells in code, Beck and Fowler, 1999

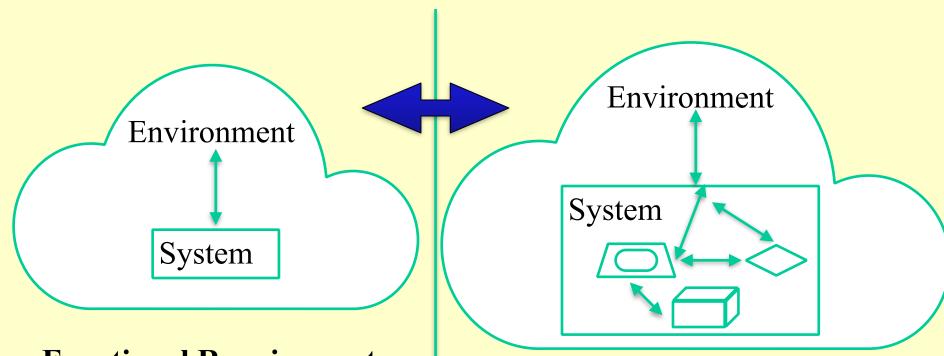
The risks of stopping too soon, Parnas, 2011

### **Some Useful Links**

- Im What does a Functional Design have to offer?, ITpedia.
- m WHAT IS A FUNCTIONAL DESIGN SPECIFICATION (FDS)?, RealPars.
- m What is a Functional Specification Document?, Essential Designs.

http://jpaulgibson.synology.me/~jpaulgibson/TSP/Teaching/CSC4521/

# The Functional Design must be coherent with the Functional Requirements



# **Functional Requirements**

Structured model of interactions between system and its environment (including users)

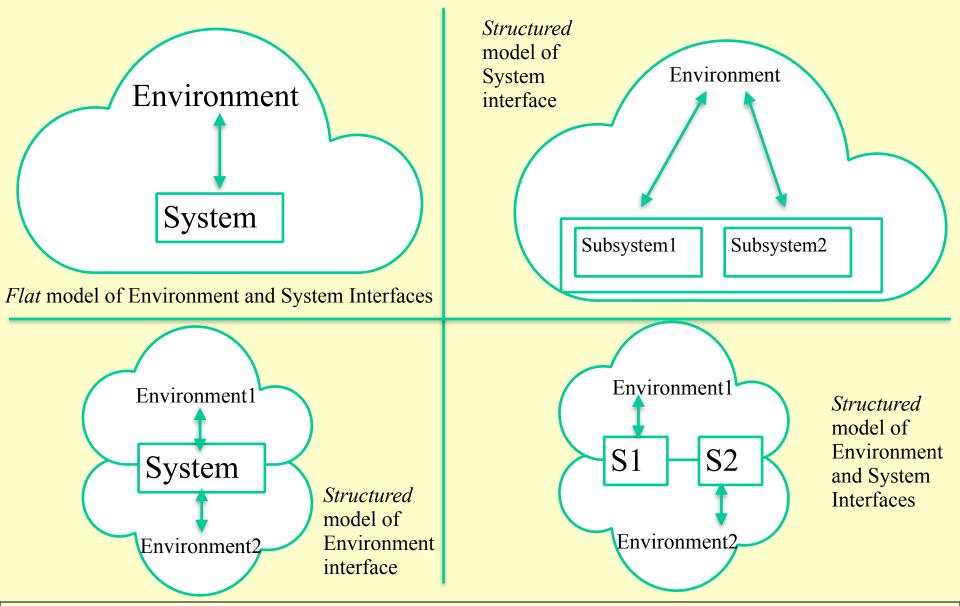
### **Functional Design**

Structured model of interactions between system components in response to interaction with the environment

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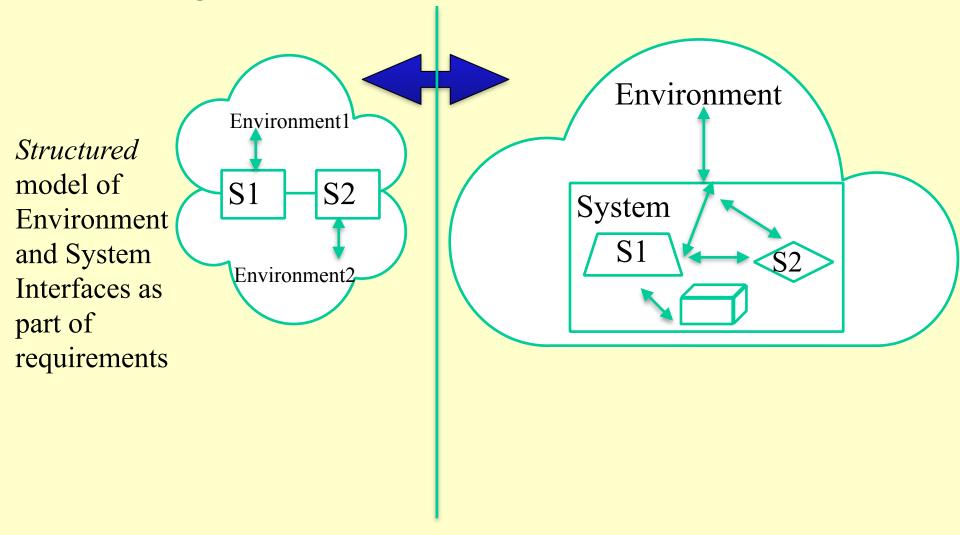
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### Functional Requirements can be structured/distributed



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Structure in requirements may match structure in design



# Let us consider the door requirements and design

Requirement -"doors only open if lift at rest at a floor"

Design - we need to model the **state** of a door (<u>at a good level of abstraction</u>) in order to verify the requirement

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Door Design1 - state is a simple boolean (open or closed)
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- Door Design2 state is a simple boolean (open and not open)
- Door Design3 state is a simple boolean (not closed and closed)
- Door Design4 state is an enumeration {open, partially open, closed}
- Door Design5 state is an enumeration {open, opening, closing, closed}
- Door Design6 state is a real distance apart in metres derived attributes closed <=> distance = 0

open <=> distance > 0

etc ...

# Let us consider the door requirements and design

**Question** - does a door need to know where it is?

In the elevator?
On a floor?
On which floor?

**Question -** Do different **locations** require different behaviour? If so, do we need different types/classes of door?

**Question** - does a door need to know if it is **blocked**? Is this a state attribute of the door or a property of the system that can be derived (by looking at the value of a sensor, perhaps?) If we have a sensor for detecting blockages, then is it a part/component of the door?

What about the door API? - reading the state, changing the state

**Question** - are the state attributes visible to the environment, if so to all users or some users?

Question - what interface is offered to permit state changes -

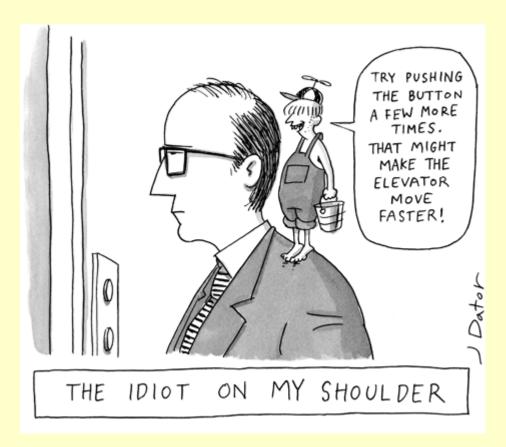
logical "buttons" can have values on/off

For example, we require a **button** to open/close the door. Is this button visible to the environment? Internally what can see/use it?

**Questions** - is this button part of the door or is this button a separate component that communicates with the door. If it is a component then is the communication synchronous/asynchronous, direct/indirect? What is the data that is shared during the communication (if any). Is the communication secure/encrypted? Is there a handshake? Is it critical? What are the exceptions to be handled?

# **Problem -Lets Try Out Some Design With Our Lift/Elevator Problem**





Propose a functional design for meeting your lift requirements

### Problem -Lets Try Out Some Design With Our Lift/Elevator

### SPL - a family of lift systems

- Number of floors is configured at compile time
- (max.) Number of lifts is configured at deploy time
- Number of lifts operational can change after deployment (limited by max)
- The lift controller logic can be hot-plugged (while lift is fully operational)

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## Problem -Lets Try Out Some Design With Our Lift/Elevator

#### **Functional Architecture Issues:**

- Controller(s) centralised/distributed/hybrid
- What functions are calculated?
- What data is required by the functions?
- Where is data stored?
- What are functional dependencies?