

SE463 / CS 445**Fall 2024 — Final Exam**

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Time allowed: 2.5 hours = 150 minutes

No aids allowed (*i.e.*, closed book).

Answer all of the questions on this exam paper.

There are 12 questions for a total of 150 marks.

Plan your time wisely: 1 minute per mark

Your Name and Student Number

In the immortal words of the yet to be born James T. Kirk of Earth,

I don't believe in the no-win scenario!

Q1		scaled to	20
Q2		scaled to	8
Q3		scaled to	20
Q4		scaled to	8
Q5		scaled to	20
Q6		scaled to	5
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Q8		scaled to	8
Q9		scaled to	11
Q10		scaled to	15
Q11		scaled to	12
Q12		scaled to	15
TOTAL		scaled to	150

In this exam, if you are asked a question, which ends with a “?”, you are to answer that question in the space following the current line.

In this exam, if you are asked for a simple answer, you need not justify it, unless you are also asked explicitly “Why?”. However, you may always write down assumptions that can help us give you partial credit.

If an exam question directs you to list, describe, write, explain, draw, mark, put, change, modify, or anything similar, just do so.

In the exam questions,

“CBS” means “computer-based system”.

“SW” means “software”.

“NFR” means “non-functional requirement”, a.k.a. “quality attribute”.

“RE” means “requirements engineering”.

“SRS” means “software requirements specification, written according to some standard, e.g., IEEE”.

“UM” means “user’s manual”.

Note the difference between a serif font like that used for *this* clause and a sans serif font like that used for *this* clause.

A serif font is used for ordinary text in a question, and a sans serif font is used for text in a software or requirements specification artifact.

Original Turnstile System

The original basic requirements given for the Waterloo Park Turnstile System are

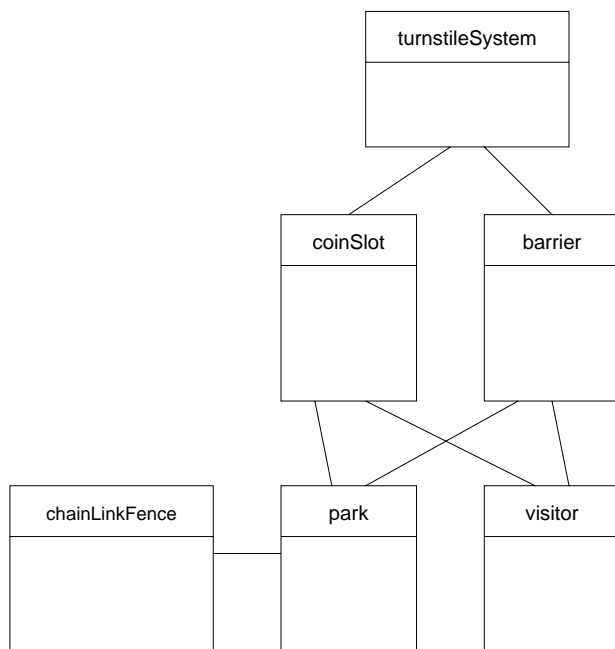
“Collect \$1 fee from each human park user on entry to park.

- Ensure that no one may enter park without paying.
- Ensure that anyone who has paid may enter the park.”

We decided to use Solution Number 2:

- Use barriers with automated coin collection.
- Use chain link fences for security.
 - There is a barrier (turnstile) through which to enter a park.
 - A person inserts a coin, the barrier unlocks, allowing the person to push the barrier and enter the park.

After some deliberation we came to the class model shown below:



In this diagram, each class is shown as a rectangle divided into two parts. The top part contains the class’s name and the bottom part is to optionally list procedures, some of which are use cases, that the class offers to be invoked by its users. In this model, none of the procedures are shown. Some questions below will ask you to fill in some, but not all, of the procedures, some of which are use cases.

Enhanced Turnstile System

Let's now enhance these requirements.

There are multiple **parks** in Waterloo, all controlled by a city-wide, central **turnstileSystem**.

Each **park** has one or more **barriers**, each

1. with its own **coinSlot** and
2. sitting at a gap in the **park's chainLinkFence**.

Each **barrier** has also its own **QRreader** that can be shown a QR code that means that the shower¹ has paid the \$1.00 entry fee and must be treated exactly like anyone who has inserted a \$1.00 coin, a.k.a., a loonie, into the **barrier's coinSlot** and is then allowed to push through the **barrier** to enter the **barrier's park**.

Thus, a QR code is usable to gain entry only at one **barrier** in only one **park**.

There is a Web site hosting **parkApp**, an app that allows its user to choose a **park**, to choose a **barrier** in the chosen **park**, to pay the \$1.00 fee by any supported method, and to receive a QR code by any supported method. The received QR can be shown to the **QRreader** of the chosen **barrier** at the chosen **park** to gain the shower's entrance to the chosen **park**.

Each of Questions 1 through 7 deals with the original or the enhanced Turnstile System.

¹ show-er, one who shows, and not a shower in a bathroom :-)

1. [20 total marks] Domain or Class Modeling

The diagram on the next page, all by itself, is an incomplete class model of the enhanced system. The completed part is the model given above for the original system. The unfilled boxes and other information will be filled in as a result of your answering the questions given below.

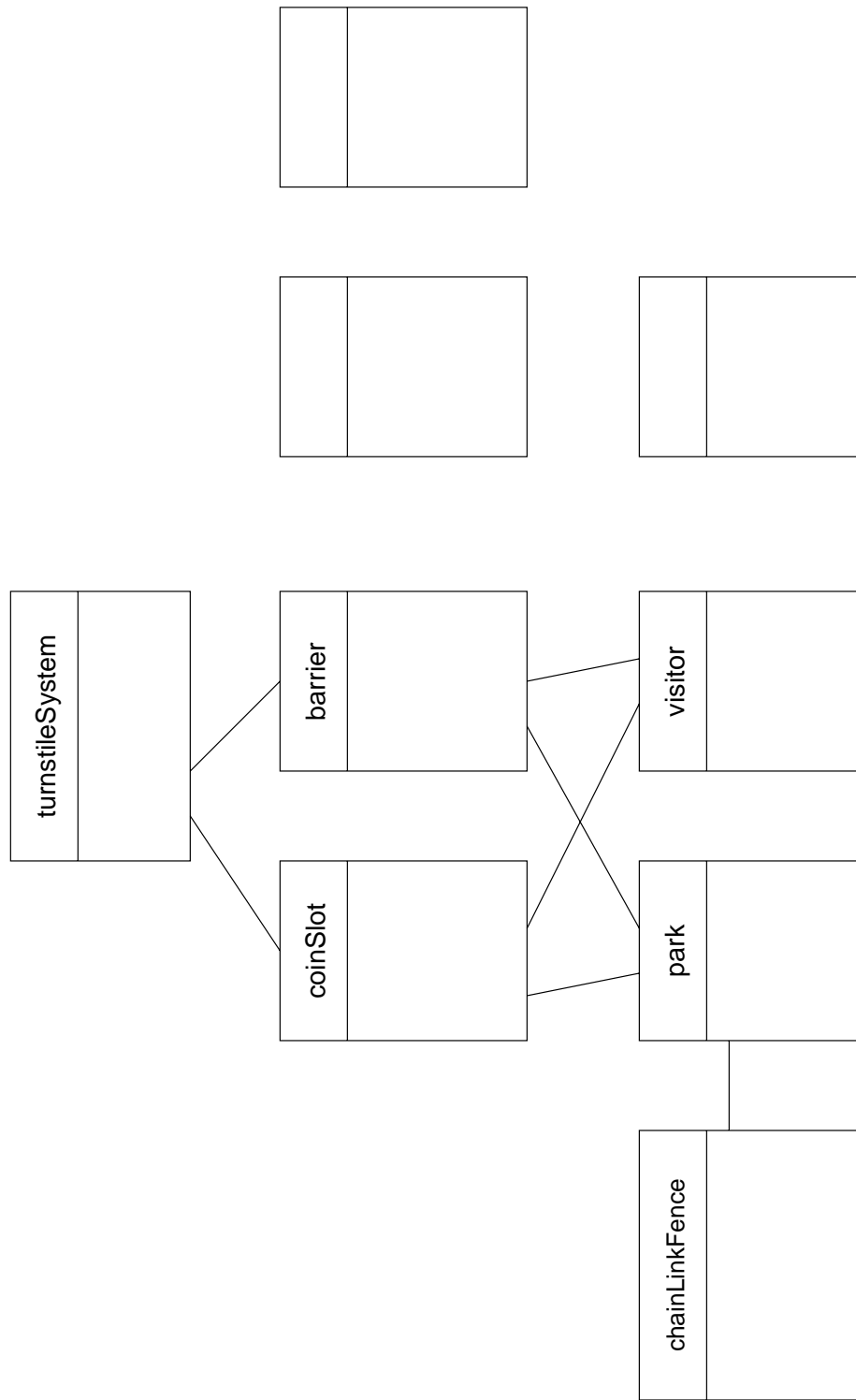
The enhanced system has two kinds of actor classes,

visitor and
e-Visitor.

The enhanced system has four interface classes,

coinSlot,
barrier,
QRreader, and
parkApp.

- (a) Fill in the top parts of unfilled boxes with actor and interface class names that are not already in the diagram. Hint: The two actor classes should be adjacent to each other in the diagram.
- (b) Provide all needed additional links between classes.
- (c) Provide multiplicities to only the classes, and not to the links.
Use n for the multiplicity of **barrier** and any class with the same multiplicity.
Use m for the multiplicity of **park** and any class with the same multiplicity.
Use $*$ for the multiplicity of any class whose multiplicity is independent of n and m .
- (d) Write a mathematical formula expressing the necessary relation between the values of m and n :
 m _____ n
- (e) Add the stereotype $\ll actor \gg$ to the boxes that should have them.
- (f) Superimpose a world diagram on this class model, using any notation that allows knowing for each class the regions, **Sys**, **Env**, or both, in which it sits.



2. [8 total marks] Use Cases in Domain or Class Model

The six use cases (UCs) for the Turnstile System are:

insertCoin (IC),
pushBarrier (PB),
showQRcode (SQRC),
choosePark (CP),
chooseBarrier (CB), and
payFee (PF).

Following each UC's name is an abbreviation for it which may be used in an answer whenever the space allowed for writing the UC's name is too small for the full name.

It is required furthermore that

- (1) choosePark (CP),
- (2) chooseBarrier (CB), and
- (3) payFee (PF)

be done in that order.

In the domain model that you have been filling in for Question 1, write each UC's name or abbreviation into the bottom part, the procedure part, of the class to which it belongs.

3. [20 total marks] More Domain or Class Modeling

- (a) In the original Turnstile System, after a visitor does `insertCoin` to `coinSlot`, `coinSlot` informs _____ that the entrance fee has been paid. In turn, _____ informs _____ to unlock the barrier.

A new topic for the remaining questions:

In the enhanced Turnstile System, there are procedures of the interface classes whose execution is *observable* by actors, but they are not invoked by the actors. Four, but not all, of these procedures are:

- i. `display"The barrier to your left is now unlocked; push it to enter the park"`
(DBNUPEP) _____
- ii. `display"This is the QRcode that you paid for"` (DQRC) _____
- iii. `displyRedLightIndicatingThatIamLocked` (DRL) _____
- iv. `displyGreenLightIndicatingThatIamUnlocked` (DGL) _____

Following each procedure's name is an abbreviation for it which may be used in an answer whenever the space allowed for writing the procedure's name is too small for the full name.

- (b) *In the domain model that you have been filling in for Question 1*, write the name or abbreviation of each of the four procedures into the bottom part, the procedure part, of the class to which it belongs.
- (c) For each of the four procedures, write the name of the class that invokes the procedure in the underline after its name.
- (d) Why are these four procedures *not* considered UCs?

In the following, a *valid QR code* is one that has been issued to anyone who has paid the fee to enter the park once.

- (e) Consider the link between `parkApp` and `turnstileSystem`. What communication medium must be used to enable the `parkApp` to function as specified on a person's cellphone or computer from any location?
- (f) Consider the link between `QRreader` and `turnstileSystem`. What communication medium must be used to ensure that the `QRreader` can access the set of *currently* valid QR codes, and not be constrained to using a finite, non-updatable set of preloaded valid QR codes?
- (g) What problem is caused if the set of valid QR codes *is* a finite set?

4. [8 total marks] Use Case Modeling

To remind you, the six use cases (UCs) for the Turnstile System are:

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be done in that order.

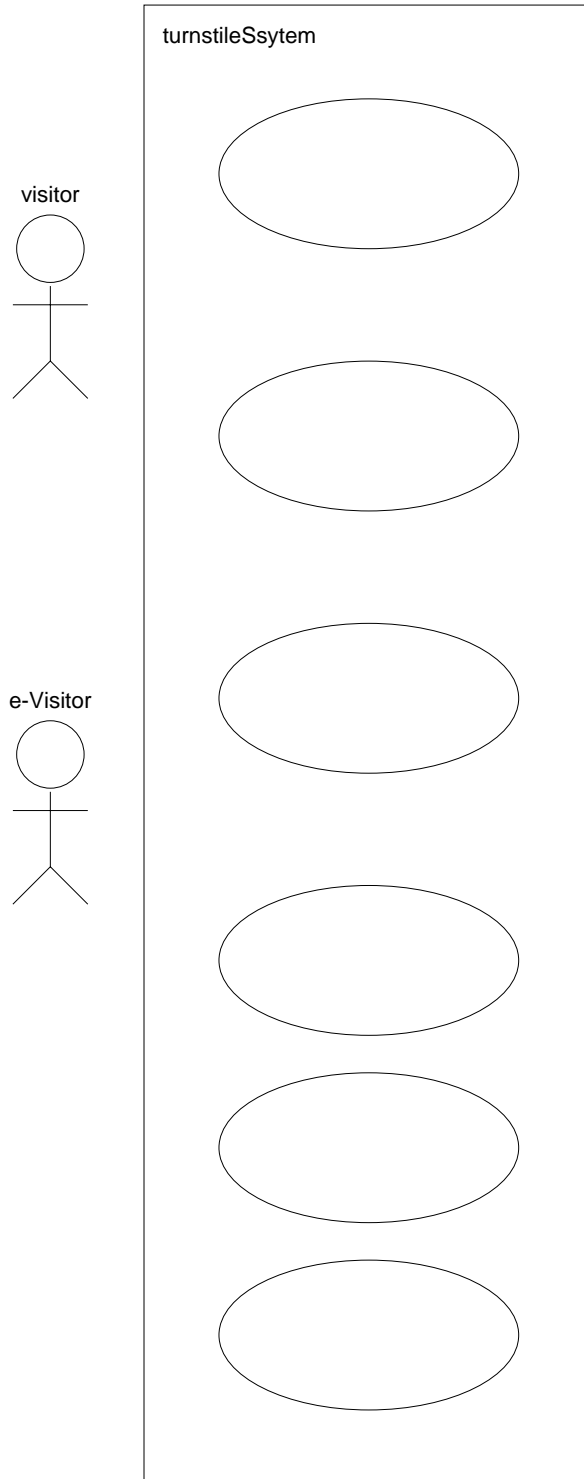
Fill in the skeletal UC Model (UCM) on the next page to provide these six UCs to the full enhanced Turnstile System.

That is,

- (a) insert every UC's name into one of the ellipses, and
draw a link between every actor and all UCs that are accessible to the actor.

Note that the UCM already shows the two actors. It is helpful to place UC names in the ellipses in a way that the links between actors and UC ellipses do not cross each other.

- (b) Add to this UCM an indication for every UC, in which class it resides. This indication can be
some number of boxes, each for one class, labeled by the class's name, and surrounding all the class's UC ellipses, or
putting in the far right of every ellipse, the name of the class in which it resides.



5. [20 total marks] Exceptions

In class, we provided a list of exceptions for the UCs,

insertCoin (IC)
pushBarrier (PB)

These exceptions are:

insertCoin (IC)

coin is fake
coin is not a loonie
coin is damaged
coinSlot is full

pushBarrier (PB)

barrier is locked
started push is not finished within 30 seconds

In the spaces provided below, list the exceptions of the new UCs:

showQRcode (SQRC),
choosePark (CP),
chooseBarrier (CB), and
payFee (PF)

Before you do, recall that it is required that the UCs,

- (1) choosePark (CP),
- (2) chooseBarrier (CB), and
- (3) payFee (PF),

be done in that order.

showQRcode (SQRC)

choosePark (CP)

chooseBarrier (CB)

payFee (PF)

6. **[5 total marks]** Assumptions

Give three assumptions about the `chainLinkFence` of a park that must be true for the requirements to be met by the enhanced Turnstile System, and for that matter by just the original Turnstile System?

7. [8 total marks] Requirements Analysis

Remember the Turnstile System's original basic requirements: (Reproduced here to avoid your having to flip pages):

“Collect \$1 fee from each human park user on entry to park.

- Ensure that no one may enter park without paying.
- Ensure that anyone who has paid may enter the park.”,

The current formulation of the requirements of **parkApp** is that a QR code is usable to gain entry only at one **barrier** in only one **park**.

Consider *eliminating* this requirement.

- Would eliminating this requirement prevent the enhanced system from meeting the original requirements?
- If your answer is “yes”, describe the prevention.
- What is the effect of the removal of this requirement on the usability of an as yet unused, purchased QR?
- If this requirement is indeed removed, what UCs can be removed?

This is a new topic!

Consider allowing paying also by credit or debit card. You would need to add to the last domain model diagram, in Question 1, a class **POSterminal** that models a portable point of sale terminal that allows payment by credit or debit cards. **DON'T TOUCH** that diagram; instead, answer the questions below.

- The new class **POSterminal** must be connected by links to what classes in the last domain model diagram for Question 1?
- The new class **POSterminal** should be drawn inside which part of the last domain model diagram for Question 1, (1) Sys – Env (i.e., Sys ONLY), (2) Env – Sys (i.e., Env ONLY), or (3) Intf = (Env \cap Sys)?

8. [8 total marks] Ambiguity

Circulating in a social network for old farts, such as your prof, is the witty observation:

Grandparents are there to help their grandchildren get into mischief that they haven't thought of yet!

- (a) Which of the two pronouns in the sentence is ambiguous?

- (b) Show three possible disambiguations by replacing the ambiguous pronoun with a different referent noun or noun phrase in each of the three copies of the sentence below by crossing out the ambiguous pronoun and writing the replacing referent noun or noun above the cross out.

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9. [11 total marks] RE of AI (Artificial Intelligence)

- (a) Consider a task, T , that demands human intelligence for its successful performance.

In what way is

- deciding whether an AI for T performs T at least as well as the average human who is regarded as an expert in performing T

the same as

- deciding whether a CBS meets the NFR of having a fast enough response time?

- (b) Consider now a task T , such as driving a vehicle, that risks human lives.

What must engineers do during the construction of an AI for T in order to not to be held liable if the AI ends up killing humans?

10. [15 total marks] RE Reference Model

In the ZJVF,

$D, S \vdash R$

applied to SW development, each of D and R , being a statement about the real world, is informal, i.e., its truth is an empirical question: Is the probability that it matches the real world high enough — usually better than 95% — that humans accept it as reflecting reality? For example, the truth of anything in D or R that involves physics depends on what scientists currently know.

On the other hand, S , being a statement about the SW that is built to satisfy R , given D , *may* be formal, i.e., its truth may be a mathematical question: Can the SW be proved mathematically to correctly implement S ? For example, Hoare logic can be used to prove or disprove that a C program claimed to sort the lines of its input into alphabetical order does indeed do so, up to the limits imposed by the hardware on which the program is run.

Conversely, there are kinds of SW for which the truth of S is an empirical question: is the probability that the SW correctly implements S high enough? If the behavior of the SW itself depends on an understanding of the real world, then the correctness of the SW is an empirical question.

For each of the following brief descriptions of SW, classify it as formal or informal, by writing “F” or “I”, respectively in the underline preceding the beginning of the description. In the following, an LM is the learned machine, an AI that results from running a machine learning (ML) engine with data that show the LM the correct way to do some task.

- (a) _____ an LM that was taught data about actual chess games that lead to checkmate
- (b) _____ an AI that exhaustively searches the tree of possible scenarios from the current chess board, using the rules of chess, to calculate a move that leads eventually to checkmate
- (c) _____ an LM that recognizes X-rays that show a cancer
- (d) _____ a program that calculates a fast fourier transform
- (e) _____ a molecular program that recognizes the tell-tale spike of a Covid virus and envelopes the virus enough to make it impossible for the virus to attack another cell
- (f) _____ the \TeX program
- (g) _____ an operating system’s process-priority-based process scheduler

Change gears to another topic!

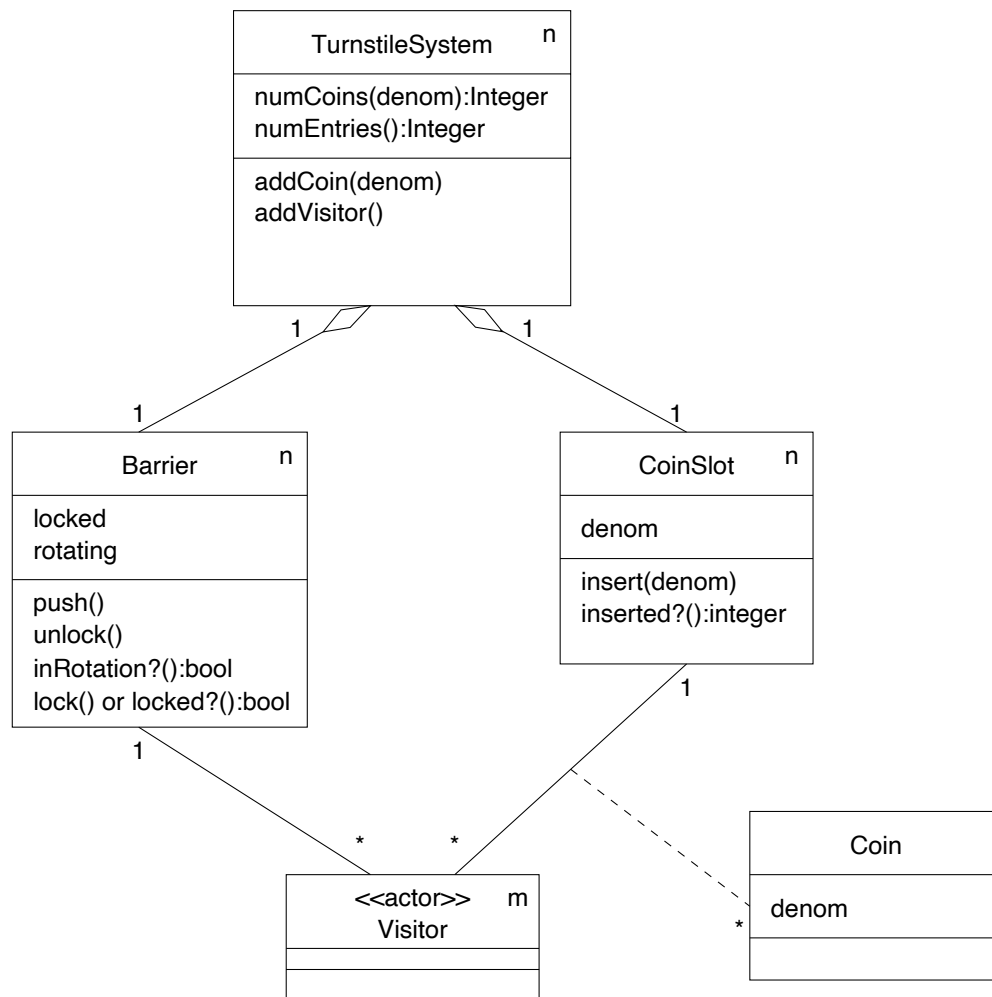
- (h) A simple way to help ensure that a requirements specification (RS) specifies only What and not How is to restrict the RS’s vocabulary to that of _____ in the domain model with superimposed world diagram.

11. [12 total marks] Cost Estimation

- (a) What data about software are considered the key data to know in order to estimate the effort needed to develop it?

Why are these data key?

- (b) To count the Function Points in a piece of software, the first step is to identify the functions of the software. The next step is to classify each function according to whether it is a **User Input (I)**, a **User Output (O)**, a **User Query (Q)**, or an **External Interface (X)**. Each function adds to the total number of function points its _____ that is determined according to how difficult the function is to implement in code, i.e., according to whether the code is a **simple (S)**, a **normal (N)**, or an **complex (C)**, to write.
- (c) In the class diagram on the next page, classify every procedure in the classes according to how it should be categorized in a Function Point calculation, as a **User Input (I)**, a **User Output (O)**, a **User Query (Q)**, or an **External Interface (X)**, by writing the given one-letter abbreviation of the procedure's classification, next to the procedure's name.
- (d) During the requirements phase of a system development, why is it easier to count Function Points than to directly estimate code size?



12. [15 total marks] Linear Temporal Logic to State Machine

In this question, each state is denoted by a capital letter, each event is denoted by a digit, and each action is denoted by a lower-case letter.

States	Events	Actions
R	1	a
A	2	
F	3	
E	4	
	5	

Below is a linear temporal logic (LTL) specification of some role play game — which one is irrelevant — whose behaviour you will specify in a state machine.

$$\Box(F \Rightarrow (F \mathcal{W} (2 \vee 3)))$$

$$\Box(F \wedge 2 \Rightarrow \bigcirc R)$$

$$\Box(F \wedge 3 \Rightarrow \bigcirc(a \wedge A))$$

$$\Box(A \Rightarrow (A \mathcal{W} 4))$$

$$\Box(A \wedge 4 \Rightarrow \bigcirc F)$$

$$\Box(R \Rightarrow (R \mathcal{W} (1 \vee 3 \vee 5)))$$

$$\Box(R \wedge 1 \Rightarrow \bigcirc F)$$

$$\Box(R \wedge 3 \Rightarrow \bigcirc(a \wedge A))$$

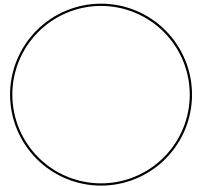
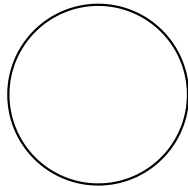
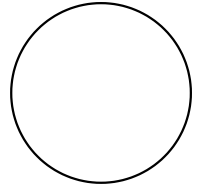
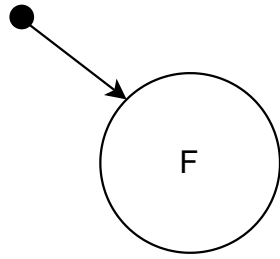
$$\Box(R \wedge 5 \Rightarrow \bigcirc E)$$

$$\Box(E \Rightarrow (E \mathcal{W} (1 \vee 3)))$$

$$\Box(E \wedge 1 \Rightarrow \bigcirc F)$$

$$\Box(E \wedge 3 \Rightarrow \bigcirc(a \wedge A))$$

- (a) Draw the specified state machine in the skeletal diagram shown on the next page. In this diagram, make F the initial state.



(b) Do the LTL formulae specify any state that is a final state?