

Software Architecture in Practice

QAS Puzzle Solution

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Two Availability

Quality	
attribute	Availability
Source	Internal to the system
Stimuli	A crash
Artifact	Realm server
Environment	Normal operation
	Detects events, record it in log, continues in normal
Response	operation
Response	
Measure	Within one hour

Quality attribute	Availability
Source	Internal to the system
Stimuli	A failure occurs
Artifact	Non-player character AI process
Environment	Normal operation
	Detects event, record it in log, continues in normal
Response	operation
Response	
Measure	Within 5 seconds



Two Performance

Quality attribute **Performance**

Source	100.000 independent clients
Stimuli	Generate on average 2 character events per second
Artifact	Game world server(s)
Environment	Normal operation
Response	Events are processed, game world state updated
Response	
Measure	With maximal 50 ms latency

Quality attribute	Quality attribute	Performance
Source	Source	100.000 independent clients
Stimuli	Stimuli	Request 76 GB expansion set download
Artifact	Artifact	Patch server(s)
Environment	Environment	Normal operation
		Requests are processed, downloads are
Response	Response	completed without data loss
Response Measure	Response Measure	Within 5 hours



Modifiability + Security

Quality attribute Modifiability

Source	Developer
Stimuli	Change landscape feature in game world
Artifact	Game world component
Environment	At design time
Response	Makes modification without side effects
Response	
Measure	Within 10 minutes

Quality attribute	Security
Source	System of unknown identity
Stimuli	Attempts to change data
Artifact	Character database
Environment	Online
Response	Records access attempt, protects from data change
Response Measure	Immediately



Testability

Quality attribute	Testability
Source	System tester
Stimuli	Expansion development finished
Artifact	Character database
Environment	Deployment time
Response	Test environment setup and tests executed without failures
Response Measure	Within 15 minutes, covering all use cases