Comment

A **Comment** is a UML element used to specify various remarks of an element in the model. In the diagram palette, under **Common**, the Comment command appears under the Note command. You can display text in the Comment as plain or HTML text.
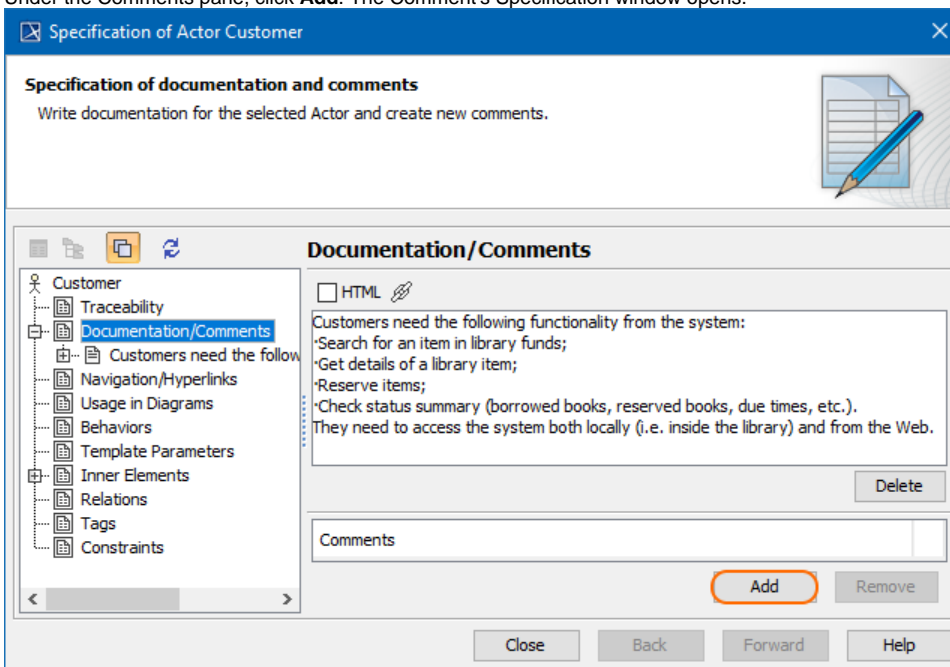

Example of a comment.

You can format the Comment's symbol properties in the **Symbol Properties** dialog.

You can specify a Comment in the Comment's Specification window, which also displays the description of each Comment property in the description area of the Specification window.

To create a comment in the element Specification window

1. Open the Specification window of the selected element.
2. In the panel on the left, select the **Documentation/Comments** property group.
3. Under the Comments pane, click **Add**. The Comment's Specification window opens.

4. Type the Comment content as the **Body** property value and click **OK**.
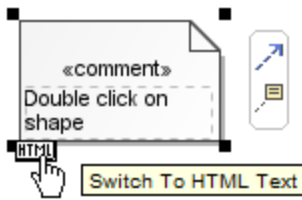5. Close the Specification window.

> To view the **Documentation/Comments** symbol on the diagram pane, expand the **Documentation/Comments** property group and drag the selected documentation/comment on the diagram pane.

To switch a comment to HTML or Plain Text

Do one of the following:

- On the diagram pane, select the Comment symbol. Click the button that appears on the lower-left corner of the shape:
    - The **HTML** button - to switch the text to the HTML text.
      The **Plain** button - to switch the text to the Plain text.

> ✓ **HTML text**
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> You can edit the HTML text in the comment using the HTML editor.

To display an anchored element documentation in a comment

1. Anchor a Comment to a symbol on the diagram pane.
2. Select the Comment, on the diagram pane. Open its shortcut menu.
3. Select the **Retrieve Documentation** command.
   The anchored symbol's documentation is displayed on the Comment's symbol.

> ✓ **Retrieve Documentation**
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> You can enable the **Retrieve Documentation** option **only** if you already have documentation in the Comment's Specification window. Read the first set of instructions on this page to see how to create the comment in the element's Specification window.

> ✓ **Edit**
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> You can edit element documentation directly on the Comment symbol.