

CS132: Software Engineering

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Lecture 1: Introduction



What is software engineering?



Science vs. Engineering

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- Science: Theoretically how something can be achieved
 - How to generate Ammonia (NH_3) ?
 - $-N_2 + 3H_2 \leftrightarrow 2NH_3 \uparrow$
- Engineering: How to achieve the goal efficiently and economically with existing constraints
 - In 1774: $2NH_4Cl + Ca(OH)_2 \leftrightarrow CaCl_2 + 2NH_3 \uparrow + 2H_2O$
 - In 1898: $CaC_2 + N_2 \rightarrow CaCN_2 + C$ and $CaCN_2 + 3H_2O \rightarrow CaCO_3 + 2NH_3$ ↑
 - In 1908: N_2 + $3H_2$ ↔ $2NH_3$ ↑ under high pressure with catalysts



Software "Science"

- Algorithm
- Theory of computation
- What problems can be solved computationally?
 - Computability theories
 - The halting problem
- How can we express the solution rigorously without ambiguities?
 - Formal languages
- Can we solve problems efficiently?
 - Computational complexity theory



Software Engineering: Definition

• "The establishment and use of sound engineering principles in order to obtain economical software that is reliable and works efficiently on real machines ..." [Fritz Bauer, at the 1st NATO Conference on Software Engineering, 1969]

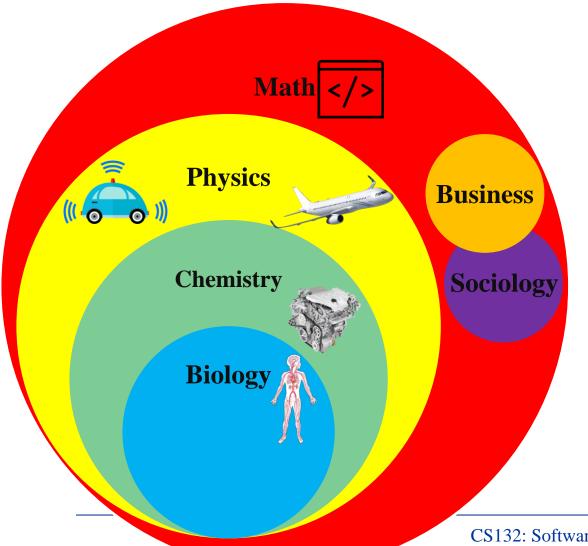


"The Software Crisis"

- The need to develop larger, more diverse software systems
- 28% of software projects are "success"
 - 51% seriously late, over budget and lacking expected features
 - 18% cancelled outright
- Increasing complexity
 - Use to be one single task on a specific computer
 - More functionalities
 - In more conditions
 - On more platforms
 - By more people



An Inter-disciplinary Field



- Software is in math domain
 - Amazon negative quantity bug
- The domain specific constraints have to be encoded or considered in the software
- The domains with more constraints are also less understood



Which fake news is easier to tell?

"NASA说因为今天地球完美的重力角度,是唯一一天可以让扫把独自站立的日子。"

想看大家参与「NASA立扫把挑战 | BroomChallenge」的图 😂









Key Challenges in Software Engineering

1. Effective communication

- Between the engineering team and other stakeholders
- Within the engineering team

2. Risk Management

– How to balance conflicting judging criteria?

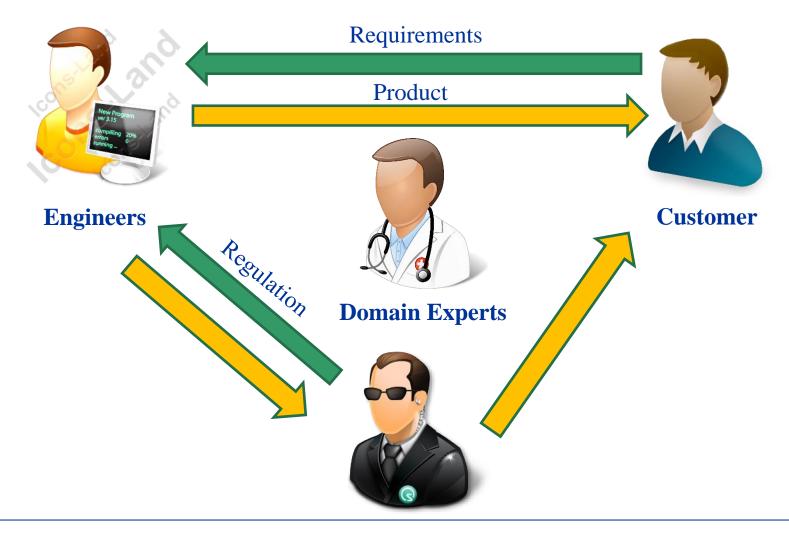
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Stakeholders for software

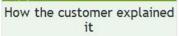




Miscommunications

- The customer fails to explain their needs well.
- The customer may not know what he/she wants
- The analyst may not understand the customer's need.
- Your analyst may not convey the requirements to the development team







How the team designed it



What the customer really needed

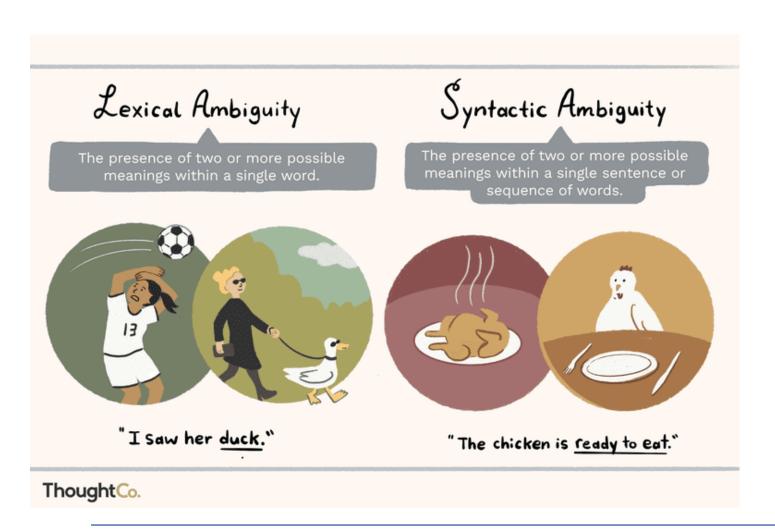


Domain Knowledge: "The Expert"





Natural Languages Are Prone to Ambiguities







Communications among various stakeholders

Need a common language for communication

Unified Modeling Language (UML)

Recognized as an international standard

• It's just a tool, not a solution





Examples of UML Diagrams

• Structural diagram

BankAccount

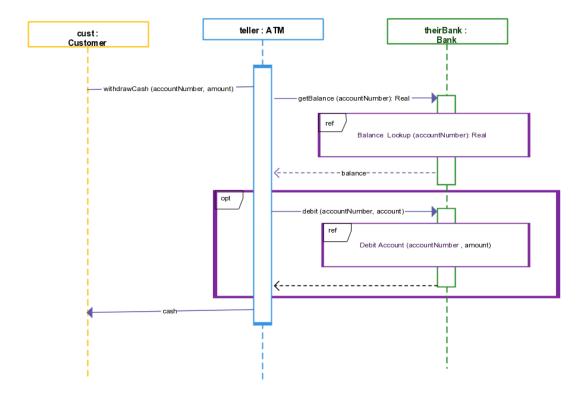
owner: String

balance : Dollars = 0

deposit (amount : Dollars)

withdrawal (amount: Dollars)

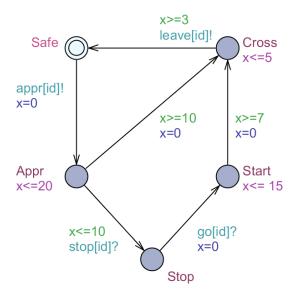
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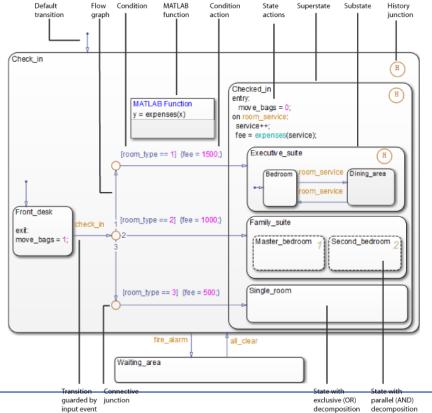


Communication within the team

- Formal models
 - Timed automata



- Simulation models
 - Simulink





The lifecycle of a successful software is long



Other team members should understand your code and documentation

• Other team members should be able to easily "inherent" code from you



What we want you to learn in this course

- Communication skills are important no matter what you do in the future
 - Documentation
 - Meetings and presentations

- Be mentally prepared
 - Respect other people's domain expertise
 - Accept that other people may not know what you know
- How to analyze problems in other domains?



2. Risk Management



Are they good planes?



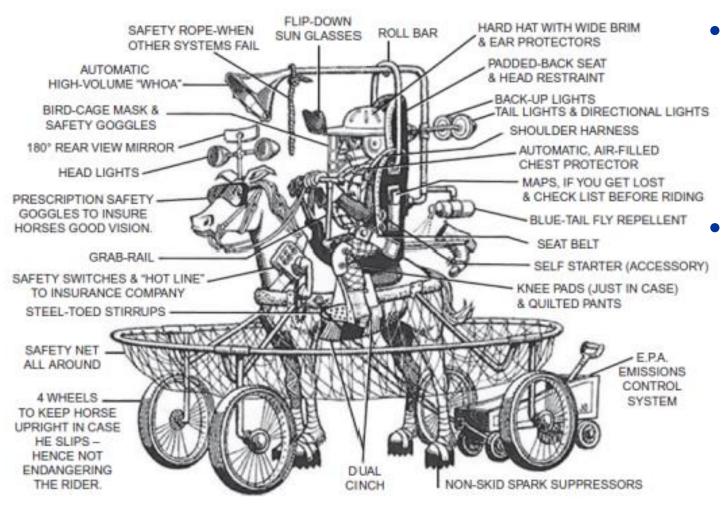








The "All-around" Solution



 Risk control measures may affect other system
 properties

Justify that benefits outweigh the risks

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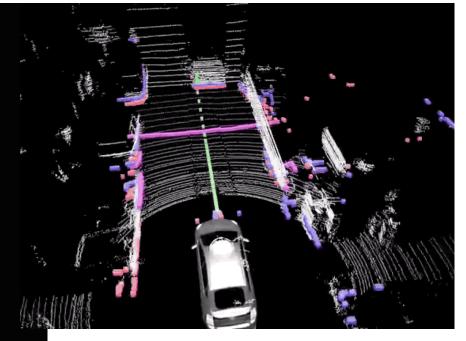


2. Risk Management

Balancing among risks

- Uber Autonomous Vehicle Accident (March 18, 2018)
- Pedestrian Identification: balancing false-positives vs. false-negatives

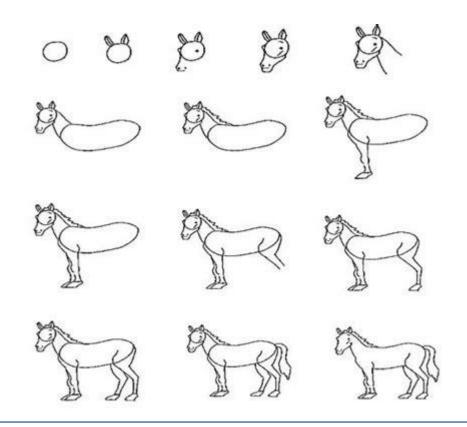


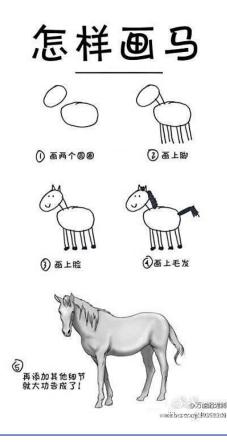




Iterative Software Development

• Develop "validatable" artifacts early





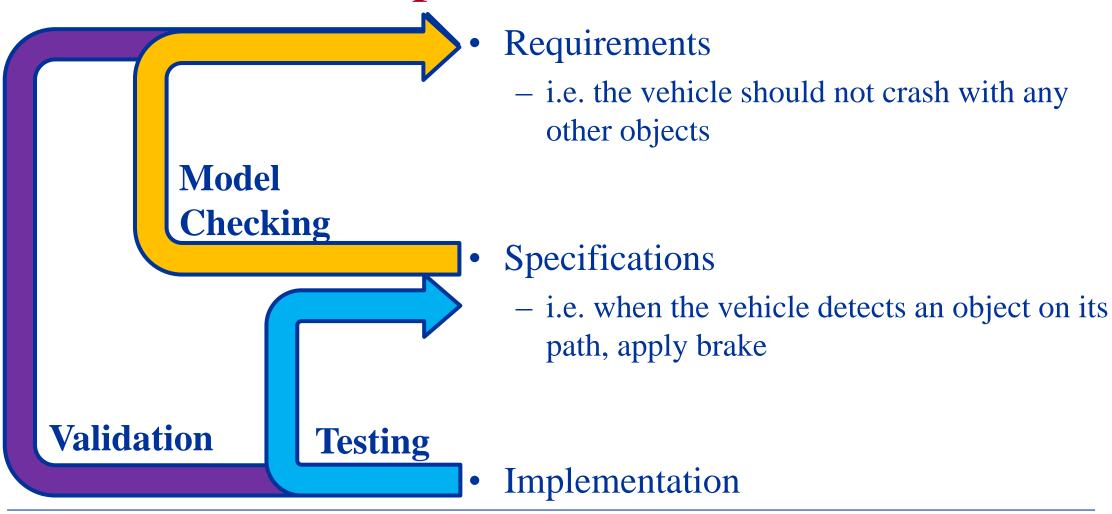


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Software Development Process





3. Validation

What should we validate?

- Efficacy: The system can do its job as designed
- Safety: Under intended use, the system will not harm the user and its surroundings
- Security: Prevent malicious use of the system

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Model-based Software Design

- From verified model to verified code
 - Business model (in UML)
 - Analysis model (in UPPAAL)
 - Design model (in UML/Simulink)
 - Code (in Matlab)
- Verify analysis/design model

• Maintain traceability during development



How to convince others that your system is good?

• Rigorousness of the development process

- Rigorousness of the techniques
- Demonstration of effort

• "All or nothing"





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Curriculum

- Software development lifecycle
- Project management
- Capture software requirements using UML
- Strike a balance: risk management
- Early bug-finding using model checking
- Maintain traceability in model-based software design
- Software testing

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Grading

• Homework: 4*5%

• Midterm: 20%

• Final Project: 60%

Project Logistics

- 3 students per team (1,2,3)
- 3 mini projects (a,b,c)
- Each project has 3 stages
 - Requirement (R)
 - Development (D)
 - Validation (V)
- Student 1: a.R+b.D+c.V
- Student 2: b.R+c.D+a.V
- Student 3: c.R+a.D+b.V



Checkpoints and Progression

- Team meeting every week
 - Report on what has been done and plan for next week
 - Part of the demonstration of "effort"

- 3 Customer Consultations
 - Chance to demonstrate initial results and ask for feedback
 - Please take them seriously!

Project Grading

- Overall Product (70%+10%)
 - Functional requirements (40%)
 - Non-functional requirements (15%)
 - Validation (15%)
 - Extra Credits (10%)
- Documentation (30%)
 - Requirement (10%)
 - Development (10%)
 - Validation (10%)

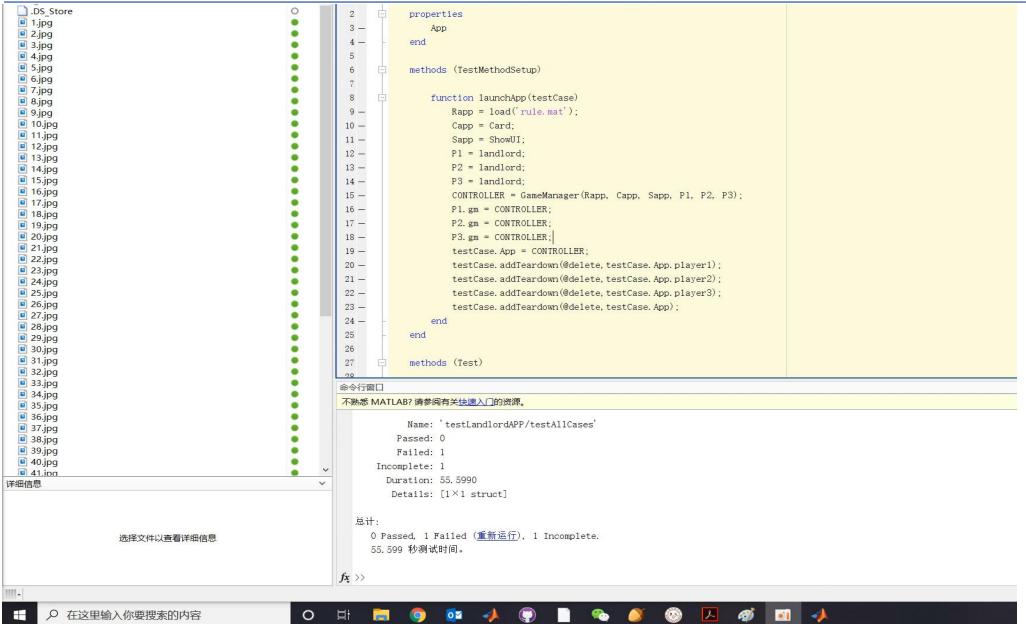


Grading Example

	Project 1		Project 2			Project 3		
Overall Product		55	Overall Product		60	Overall Product		65
Documentati on	Requirement	8	Docume ntation	Requirement	5	Docume ntation	Requirement	6
	Development	7		Development	4		Development	3
	Validation	5		Validation	9		Validation	7

	Score
Student 1 (1R2D3V)	(55+60+65)/3+8+4+7=79%
Student 2 (2R3D1V)	(55+60+65)/3+5+3+5=73%
Student 3 (3R1D2V)	(55+60+65)/3+6+7+9=82%







Working as a team

• Team up with someone you trust

- You are responsible for some task doesn't mean you "only" need to complete the task
- "Make other's job easier"
- "The Black Sheep" will get severe penalties



You may complain about...

- "The requirements are too vague!"
 - It's not a bug, it's a feature!

- "I did my part, why do I get penalized for what others didn't do?"
 - Because you are on the same team, that's why.
- Please do not ask
 - "Can we get/lose points if we implement/not implement a feature?"



Logistics

• Slides are released 1 day before each lecture on blackboard

Recordings of lectures will be posted on BB after the class

• Important announcements are sent via emails

- Forum available on Piazza (piazza.com/shanghaitech.edu.cn/spring2021/cs132)
 - Ask questions regarding implementations, not ideas



Academic Ethics

Homework should be done alone

• Do not share code/documents among teams

- Feel free to reuse code segments within the team
- Do not use code/documents from other sources (previous years' or online)
- Violators will receive severe penalties