System Development Process Models

1. Waterfall Model

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- **Flow: Each step flows down to the next, without going back up.**
- **Best for: Projects with well-defined requirements that are unlikely to change.**

2. Spiral Model

- **Steps: Imagine a spiral with loops: Planning → Risk Analysis → Engineering → Evaluation.**
- **Flow: You repeat the steps in loops, addressing risks in each loop.**
- **Best for: Large, complex projects with high risks.**

3. Iterative and Incremental Model

- **Steps: Develop the system in small parts: Requirements → Design → Implementation → Testing → Evaluation.**
- **Flow: Each part is developed, tested, and improved before moving on to the next part.**
- **Best for: Projects where requirements evolve over time.**

4. Evolutionary Model

- **Steps: Build a basic version, get feedback, improve: Initial version → User feedback → Improvement → Repeat.**
- **Flow: Continuously improve based on user feedback.**
- **Best for: Projects needing constant adaptation and improvement.**

5. Agile Development Model

- **Steps: Work in short cycles called sprints: Planning → Design → Development → Testing → Review.**
- **Flow: Small, iterative cycles, allowing for flexibility and quick adjustments.**
- **Best for: Projects where requirements change frequently and need fast delivery.**

1. Waterfall Model

- **Steps:** This model has distinct and linear stages:
    1. **Requirements:** Gather and document what the project needs.
    2. **Design:** Plan how the project will be built.
    3. **Implementation (Coding):** Write the code based on the design.
    4. **Testing:** Check if the code works as expected.
    5. **Deployment:** Release the final product to users.
    6. **Maintenance:** Fix any issues that come up after deployment.
- **Flow:** Each stage must be completed before moving to the next. Imagine water flowing down steps—once it flows down, it doesn't go back up.
- **Pros:** Easy to understand and manage, good for projects with clear, unchanging requirements.
- **Cons:** Inflexible; changes are hard to implement once a stage is completed.

2. Spiral Model

- **Steps:** This model focuses on risk management and iterative development:
    1. **Planning:** Define objectives, alternatives, and constraints.
    2. **Risk Analysis:** Identify and evaluate risks, and plan to mitigate them.
    3. **Engineering:** Develop and verify the product.

4. **Evaluation:** Assess the project and plan the next phase.

- **Flow:** The project is developed in loops (spirals). Each loop includes planning, risk analysis, engineering, and evaluation.
- **Pros:** Effective risk management, flexible to changes.
- **Cons:** Can be complex and expensive, not suitable for small projects.

3. Iterative and Incremental Model

- **Steps:** This model breaks down the project into small parts (increments) and iterates on them:
    1. **Requirements:** Gather requirements for the first increment.
    2. **Design:** Design the first increment.
    3. **Implementation:** Build the first increment.
    4. **Testing:** Test the first increment.
    5. **Evaluation:** Evaluate and refine the first increment before moving to the next one.
- **Flow:** Each increment is developed, tested, and evaluated before moving on to the next.
- **Pros:** Flexibility to changes, early delivery of parts of the product.
- **Cons:** Requires good planning and design, can be challenging to manage.

4. Evolutionary Model

- **Steps:** This model focuses on developing a basic version and improving it based on feedback:
    1. **Initial Version:** Develop a simple version of the product.
    2. **User Feedback:** Get feedback from users.
    3. **Improvement:** Make improvements based on the feedback.
    4. **Repeat:** Repeat the cycle until the final product is achieved.
- **Flow:** Continuous cycles of feedback and improvement.

- **Pros:** Continuous user involvement, adaptable to changes.
- **Cons:** Can be difficult to predict the final outcome and timeline, requires ongoing user collaboration.

5. Agile Development Model

- **Steps:** This model emphasizes flexibility and iterative development through short cycles called sprints:
    1. **Planning:** Define what will be done in the next sprint.
    2. **Design:** Design the features for the sprint.
    3. **Development:** Develop the features.
    4. **Testing:** Test the features.
    5. **Review:** Review the work done and plan the next sprint.
- **Flow:** Short, iterative cycles (sprints) of development.
- **Pros:** Highly flexible, quick delivery, continuous user feedback.
- **Cons:** Requires close collaboration and communication, can be challenging to manage for large teams.

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