2.1.1.1 Sequential development model

A sequential development model describes the software development process as a linear, sequential flow of activities. This means that any phase in the development process should begin when the previous phase is complete. In theory, there is no overlap of phases, but in practice, it is beneficial to have early feedback from the following phase.

In the Waterfall model, the development activities (e.g., requirements analysis, design, coding, testing) are completed one after another. In this model, test activities only occur after all other development activities have been completed.

Sequential development models deliver software that contains the complete set of features, but typically require months or years for delivery to stakeholders and users.