

Software Life Cycle Models

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Learning Outcomes

- At the end of the lecture the students are expected to be able to
- (K1) understand the goals of the software life cycle models, and their application,
- (K1) identify the basic life cycle models (Waterfall, V-Model, Agile development).

Further Topics of the Subject

I. Software development practices

Steps of the development

Version controlling

Requirements management

Planning and architecture

High quality source code

Testing and test development

II. Modelling

Why to model, what to model?

Unified Modeling Language

Modelling languages

III. Processes and projects

Methods

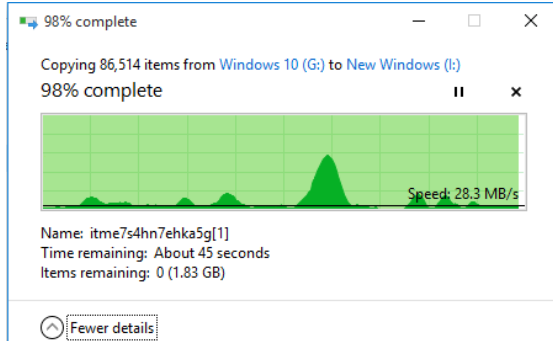
Project management

Measurement and analysis

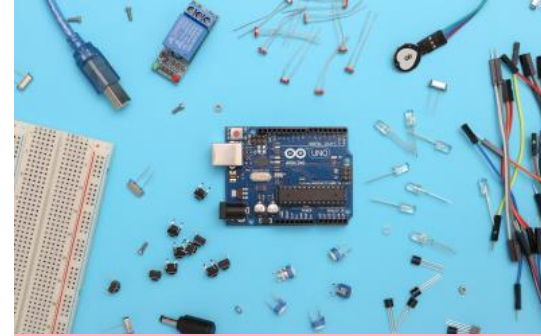
What Are the Specificities of Software (Rep.)



Production



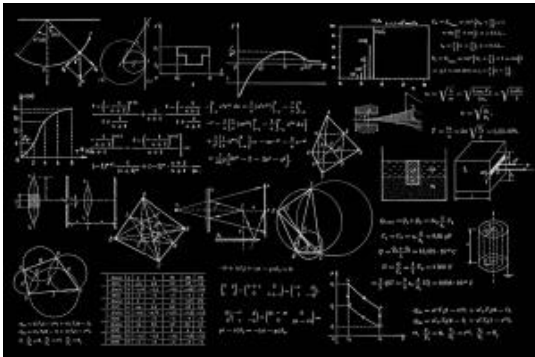
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Occurrences of faults



Consistency



Physical constraints



Logical concepts



Difficult modification

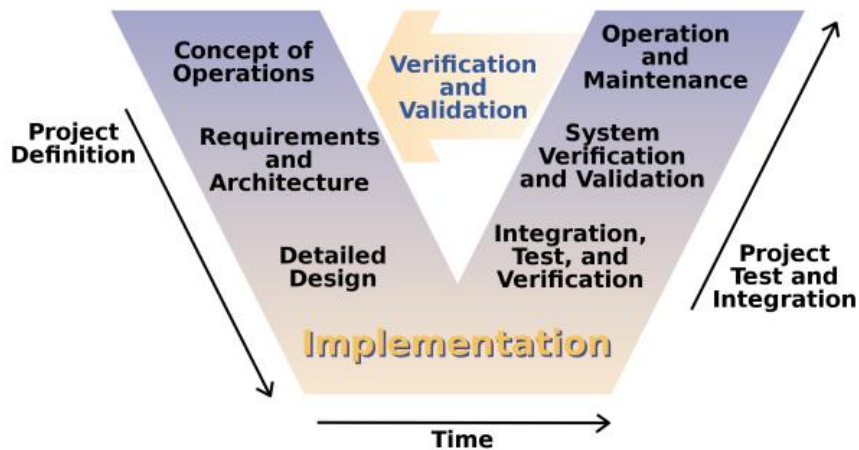


Easy rewrite

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Software Engineering Methods (Repetition)

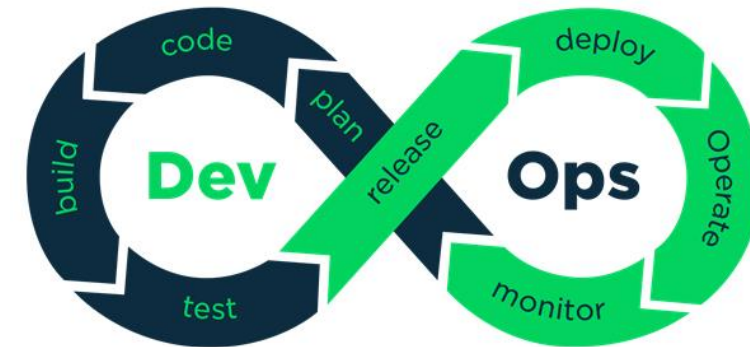
How to make (good) software?



V-Model

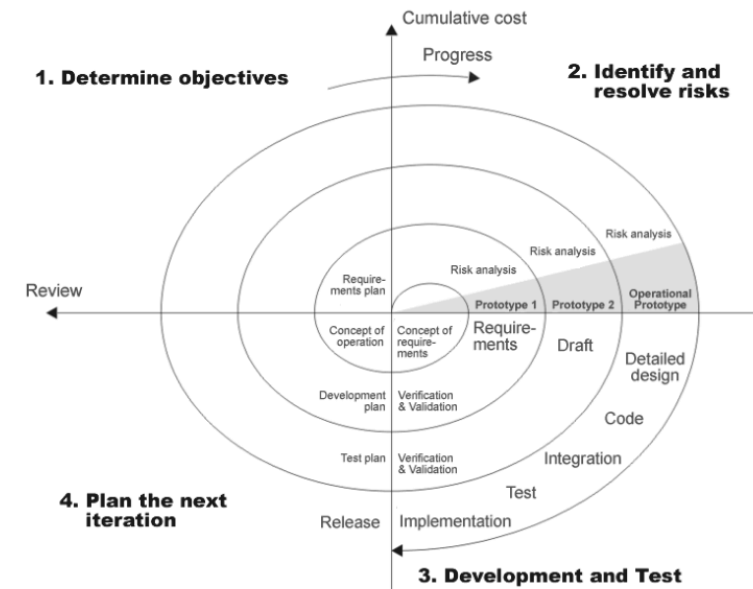


Scrum (agile)

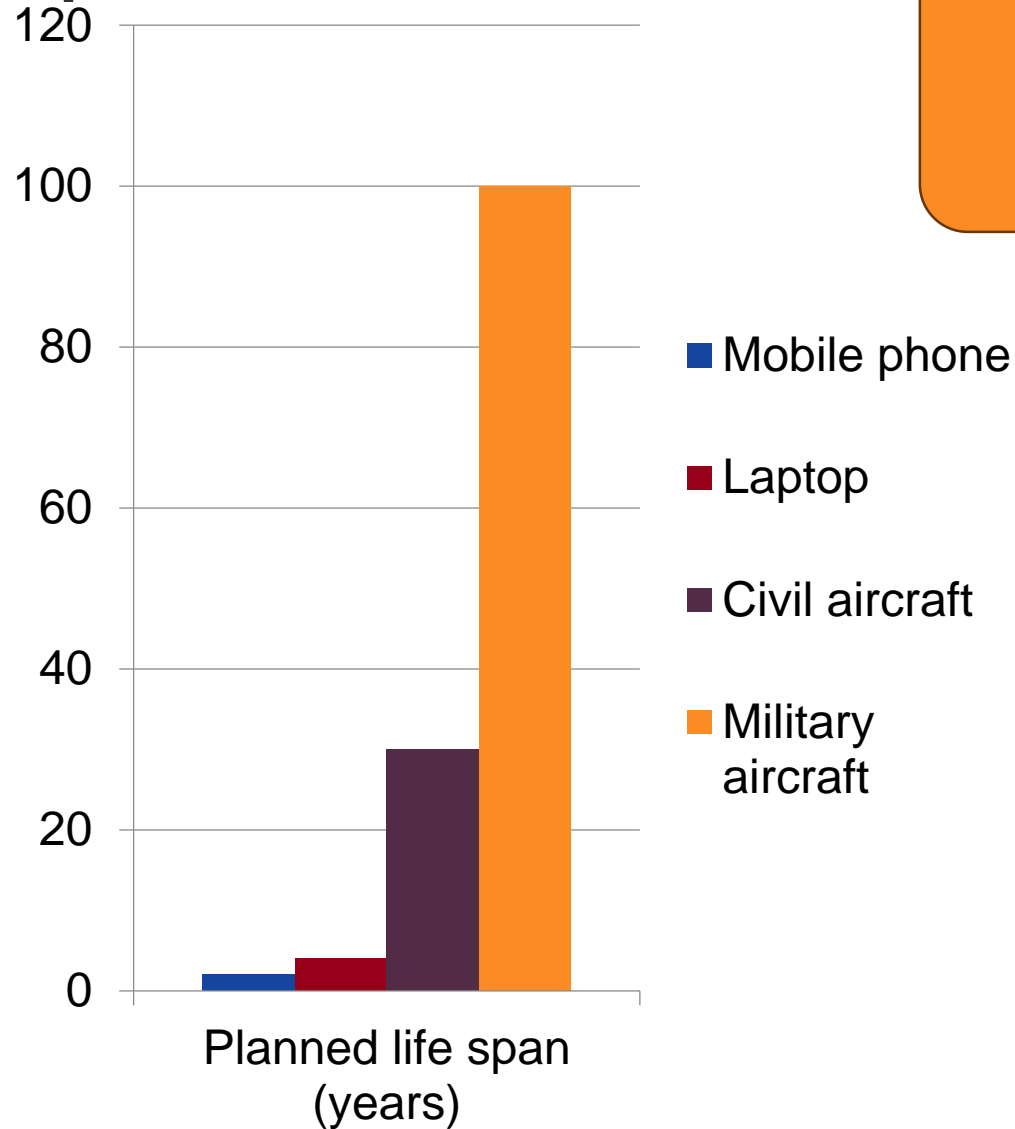


DevOps

Life Cycle



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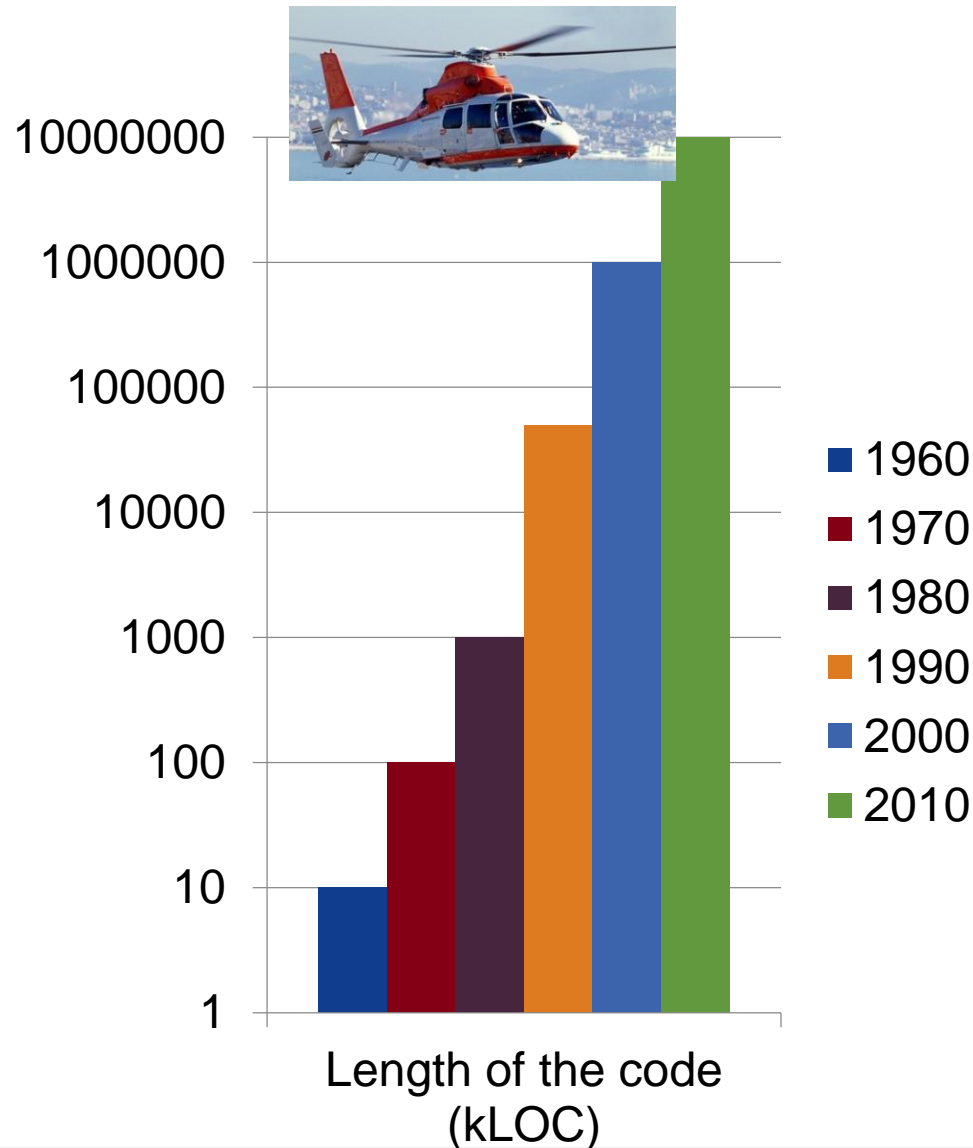


The expected life span of an aircraft: 30-100 years

In these 30 years, no dangerous errors may occur!

Main design aspects:
outstanding quality
profitable production
safe operation

“Size” of the Software



Nowadays a critical system consists up to 70-80% software!

Each main software component > 1 million lines of code

An average programmer makes 10-12 errors in each 1000 lines of code

How can they still work?

Software Development Life Cycle

- Software Development Lifecycle Process
- 1970: SDM (Pandata, The Netherlands)
- Bell Telephone Laboratories, 1920 (production)

→ Deming, 1940

→ *Plan – Do – Check – Act*

From where is it familiar?

Agile development



Life Cycles, Processes of Development and Operation

- Historical background
 - Scheduling (e.g. GANTT diagrams)
 - Modelling of production/administrative processes
 - IDEF-0: US AirForce, 1980s
 - Describing logistics processes
 - IT operation: “runbook”

Common Elements

Steps, phases

- With well defined **outputs**

Their dependencies

- Time?
- Data?
- Order?

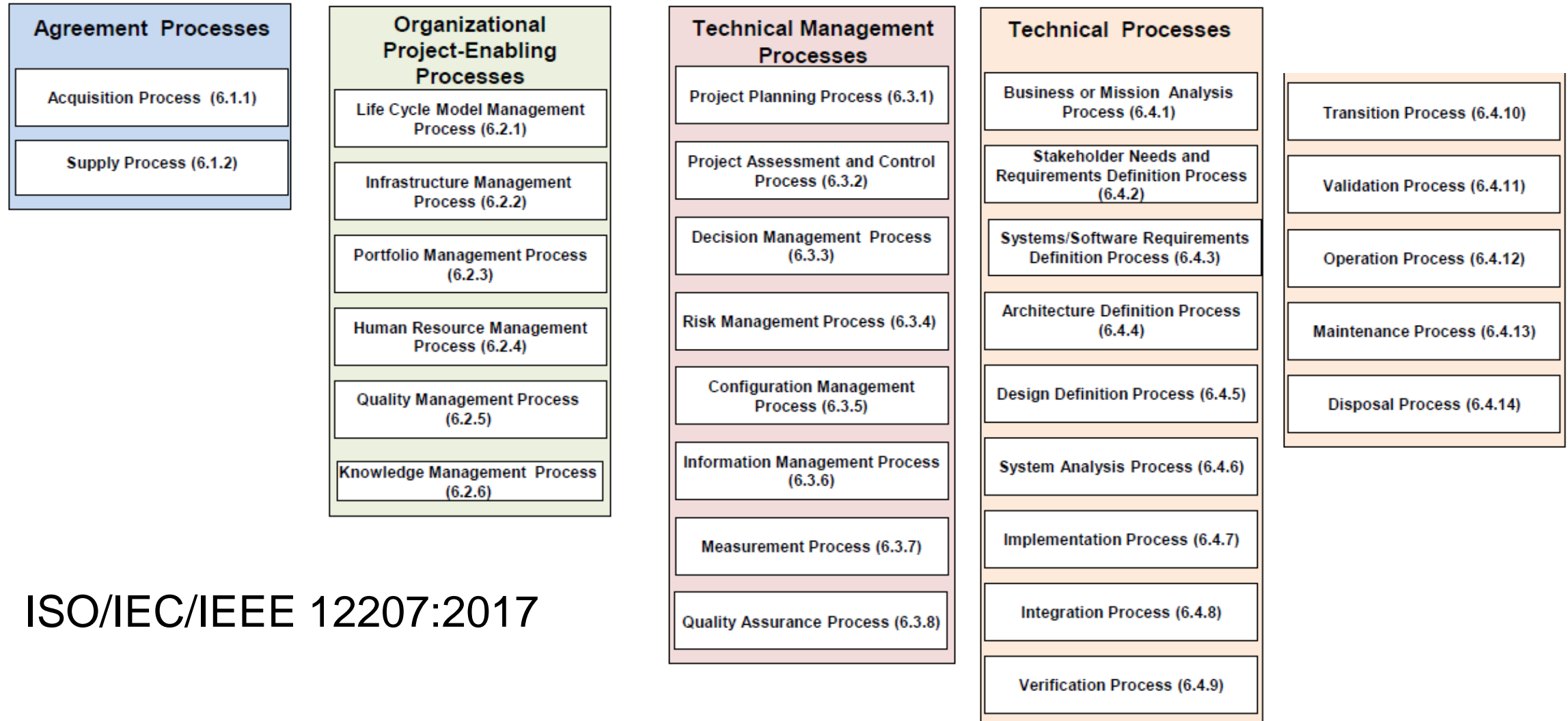
Decision points

- When is it ready/complete?
- Does it satisfy the original design/requirements?

Roles

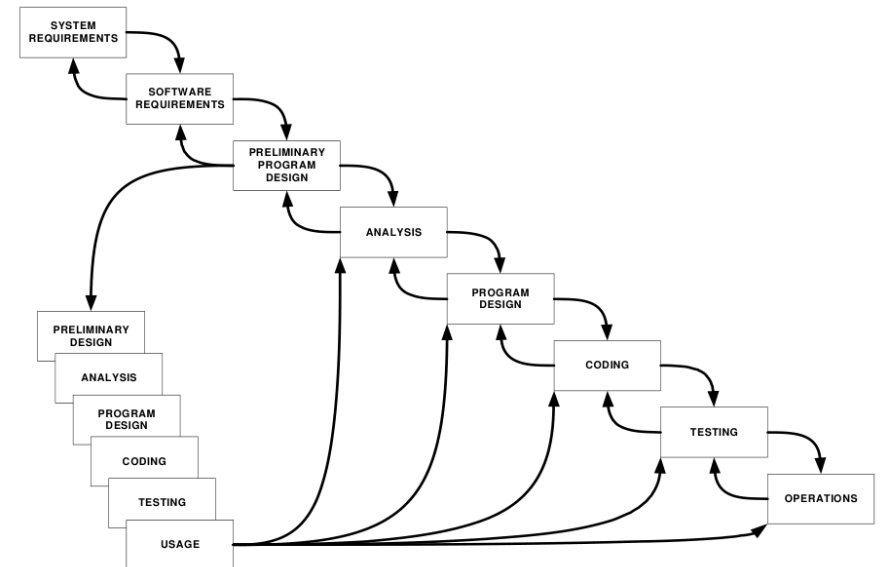
- Entitlement
- Responsibility/approval

System Development – Life Cycle Processes

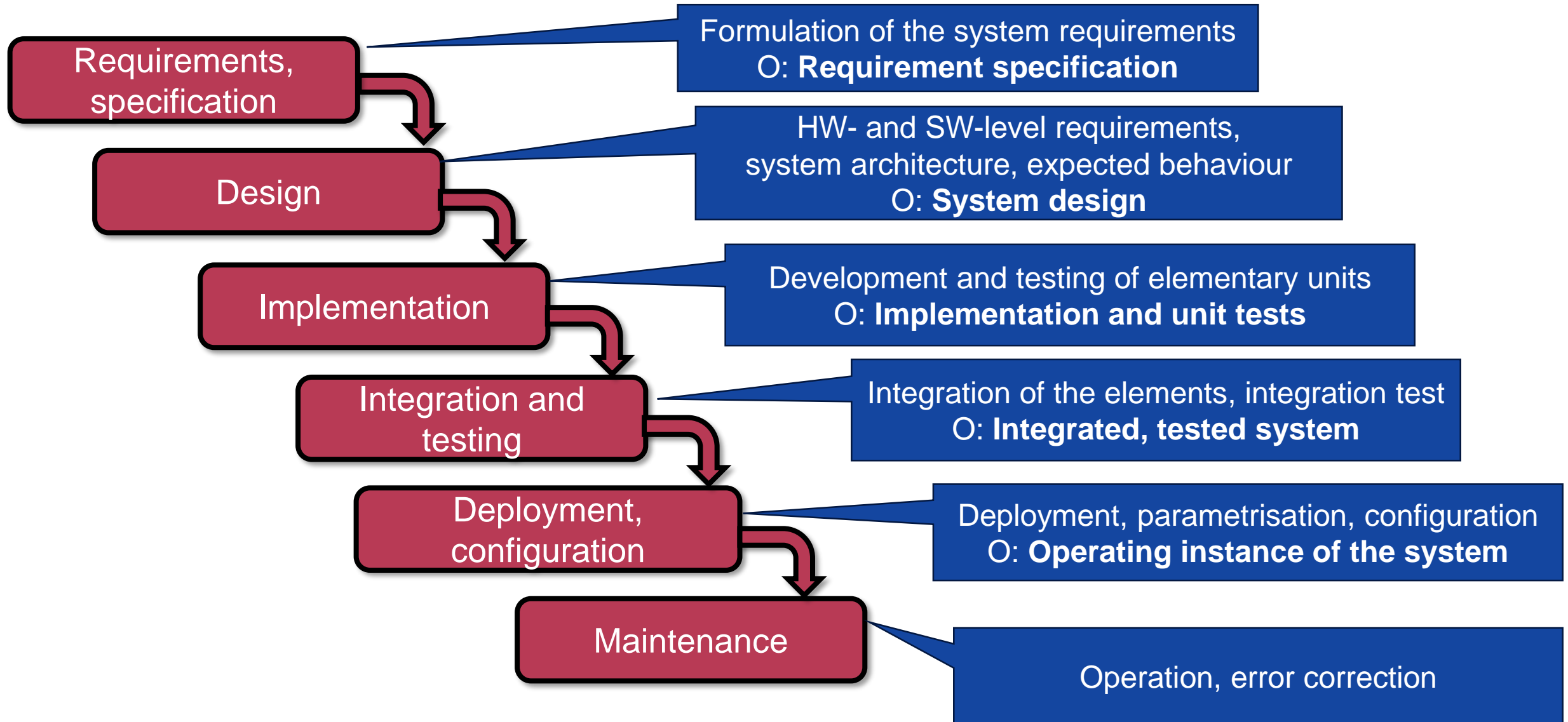


ISO/IEC/IEEE 12207:2017

Waterfall Model



The Waterfall Model



The Role of the Waterfall Model

- The first well defined software life cycle model
 - Winston W Royce. Managing the development of large software systems. In proceedings of IEEE WESCON, number 8, pages 328–338. Los Angeles, **1970**.
- Advantages
 - Simple, clear structure
 - Well defined flow of information
- Disadvantages
 - Handling changes is difficult
 - Client cannot see any results until very late

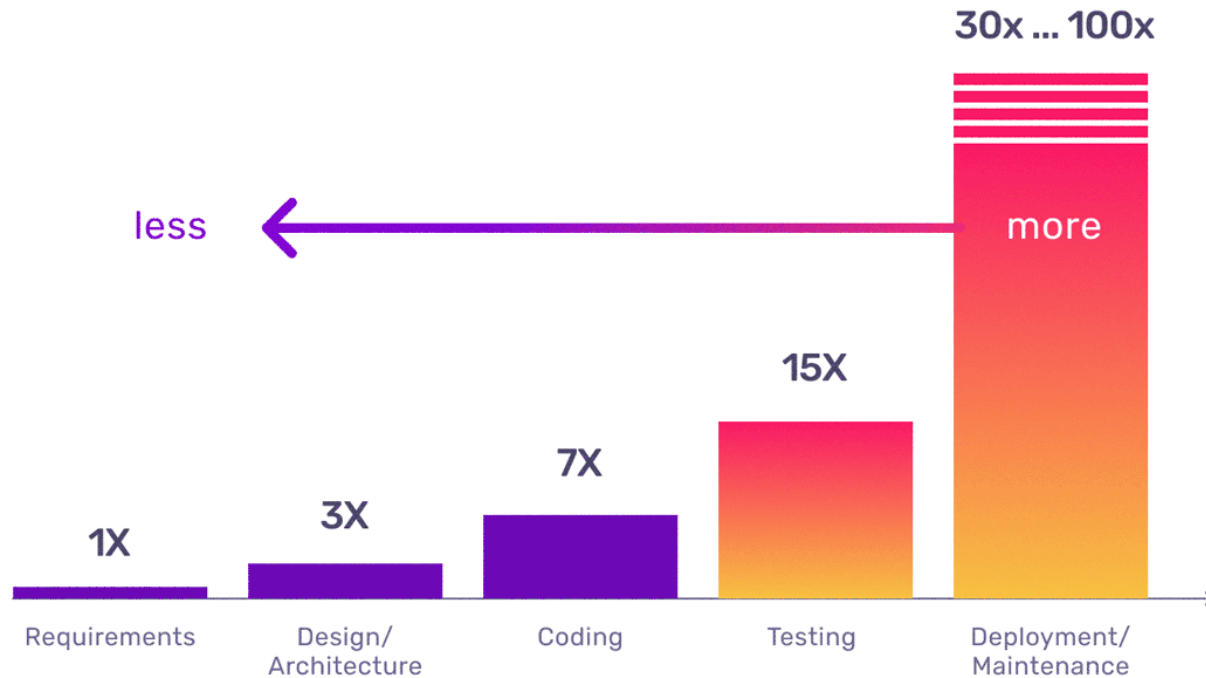
Case Study (from real life)

- A system is already operating. Some specific data should become ...
- ... editable
 - Consistency? Integrity?
- ... pre-set, but editable for those who require this
 - Roles? Entitlements? Access management?
- ... editable but with an external tool
 - Maintainability? Error corrections?

At the end the feature request was cancelled.

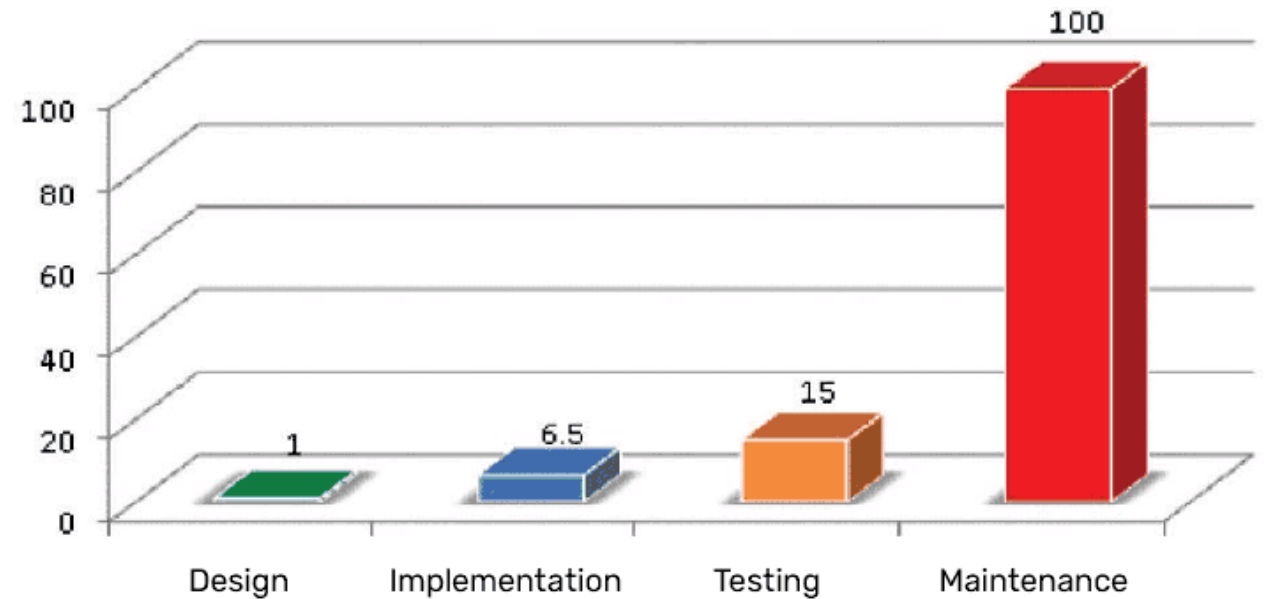
The Costs of Error Correction

Costs/Damage caused by the errors



National Institute of Standards and Technology

Costs of error correction



IBM Service Sciences Institute

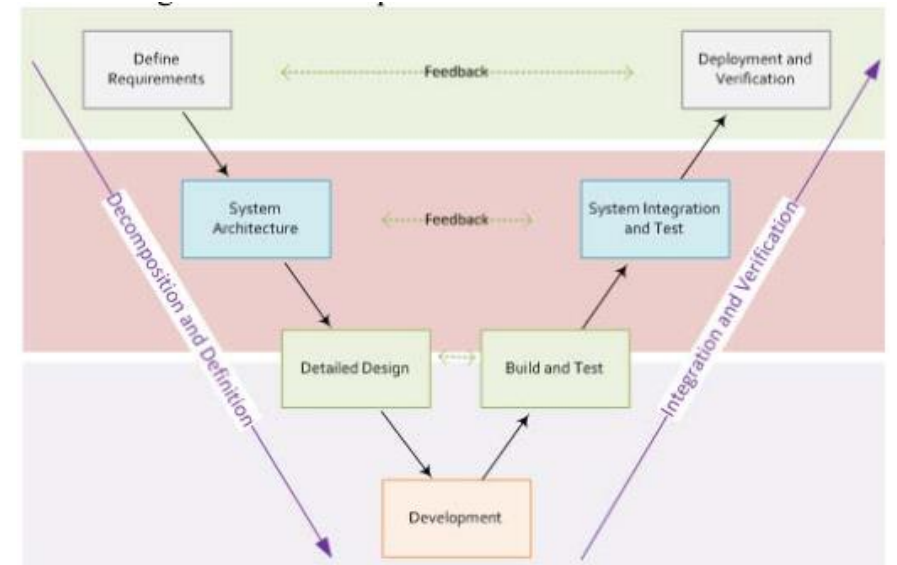
When Is the Waterfall Model a Good Choice?

- The project is a small one
- The technology is already known (little risk)
- The requirements are known (little risk)
 - Many iterations would cost much ...

What Is the Solution?

- Systematic measurements
 - Additional costs and time
 - Higher quality
 - Predictability
- Changing and backtracking
 - Iterative methods

V-Model



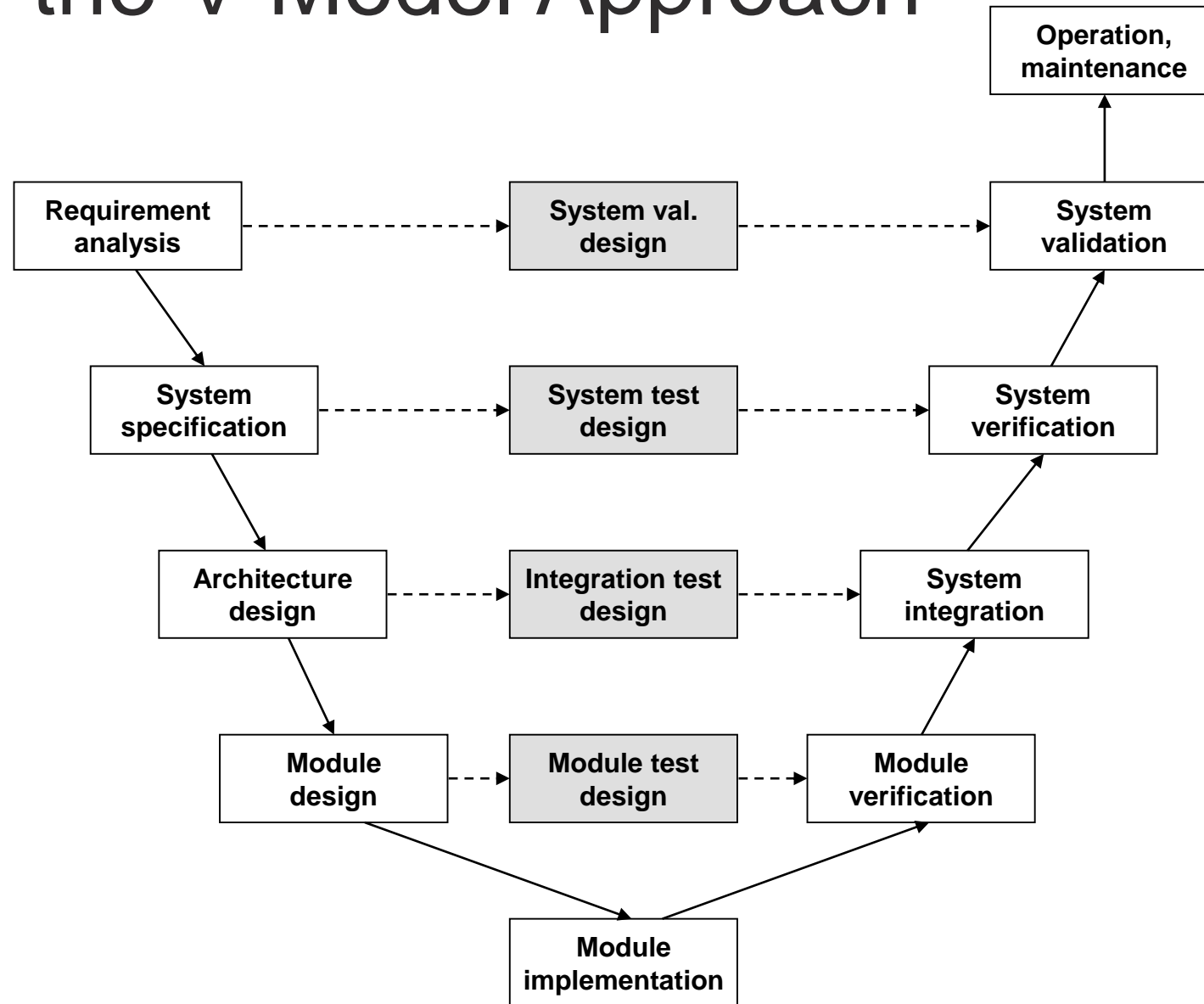
Development of critical systems

What Is a Critical System?

- Safety critical system
 - An error may have catastrophic consequences
 - Environmental damages, human lives
- Mission critical system
 - Critical for the existence of an organisation
- Business critical system
 - Critical for the normal operation of an organisation
 - E.g. the account management system of a bank
- Primary aspect during the development
 - Traceability
 - Specific standards must be applied
 - DO187-C, ISO 26262, AS9001



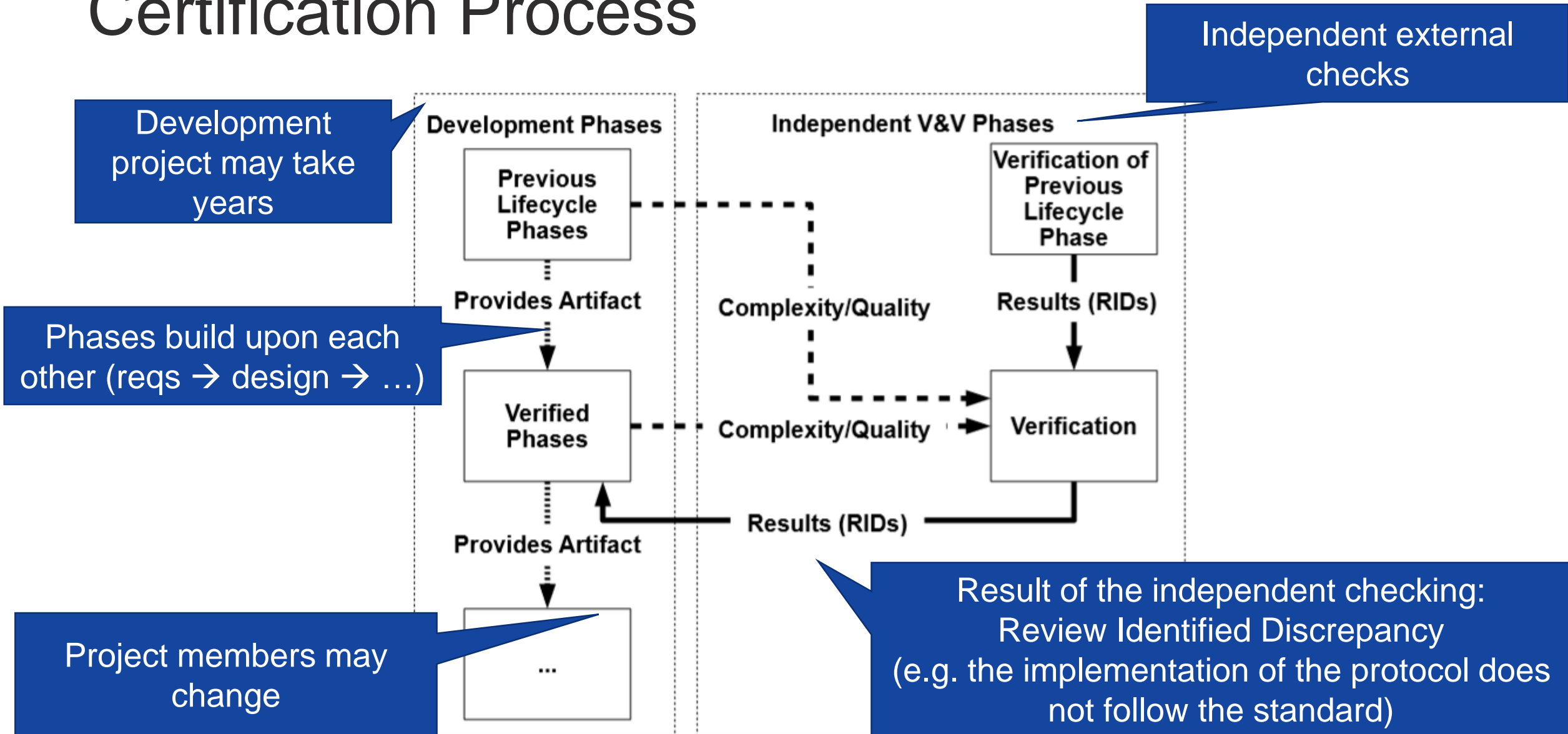
Steps of the V-Model Approach



Requirement Modelling

- Goal: unambiguous, manageable specification
- Harmonisation of the terminology
- Traceability:
 - From the requirement to the code (and to the tests)
 - From which requirement does a given element result?
 - Comments / annotations
- Standard: OMG ReqIF (Requirements Interchange Format)
- Tools:
 - (Excel)
 - IBM DOORS
 - Eclipse RMF
 - FormalMind

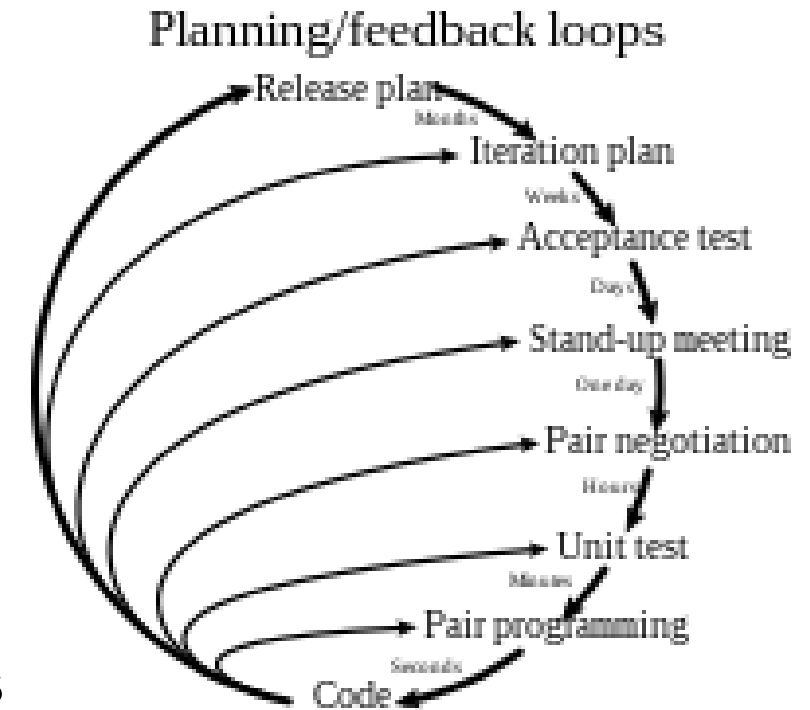
Certification Process



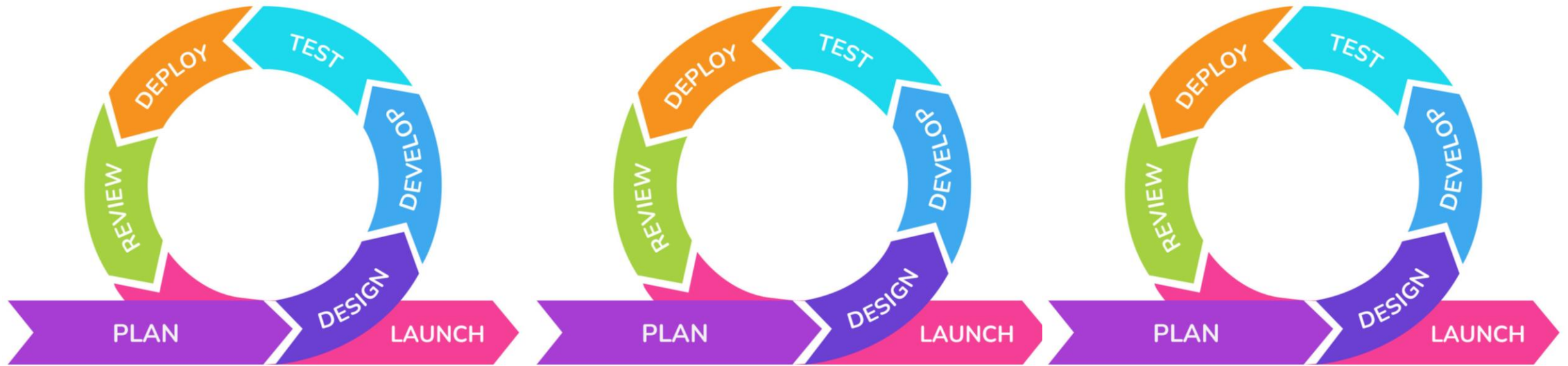
Agile Development

Quality + Flexibility?

- Forerunner
- Extreme Programming (XP) – Beck, 1999
 - „code, test, listen, design”
- Motivation
 - Appearing of the software modelling languages
 - Internet-based services – faster development, changing “products”



Agility – Changes Are Parts of the Development



“Manifesto” – 12 Points

Goal: satisfying the customer, early and continuous delivery

- Have an operating version, even if it will change later

Welcome changing requirements

- Even late in the development

Frequent delivery

- Even bi-weekly

Business people and developers work together

- Daily throughout the project, not only at „ordering/delivery”

Trust individuals

- Support motivated members → they get job done
- (cf. “punch clock”)

“Manifesto” – 12 Points

Information exchange –
face-to-face conversation

- There is no carved-in-stone specification

Working software is the
primary measure of
progress

- There are no “indicators for indicators’ sake” (KPIs)

Agile processes promote
sustainable development

- The sponsors, developers, and users involved continuously
- Maintaining a constant pace indefinitely

Technical excellence and
good design

- The good changes are important

“Manifesto” – 12 Points

Simplicity is essential

- The art of maximizing the amount of work not done

Self-organizing teams

- The origin of best architectures, requirements, and designs

Reflecting on effectivity at regular intervals

- Tuning and adjusting the behaviour accordingly

Implementing Agile Projects

- SCRUM methodology
 - “Ceremonies”
 - Roles and “products”
- Technical support
 - Development and teamwork tools
 - Kanban (in the next lecture)

Comparison

Method of Project Evaluation

- Alfred Spector, 1986
 - Bridge building (civil engineering) \leftrightarrow Software development
- Usually, bridges
 - Do not collapse
 - They get ready on time ...
 - ... and on budget (???)

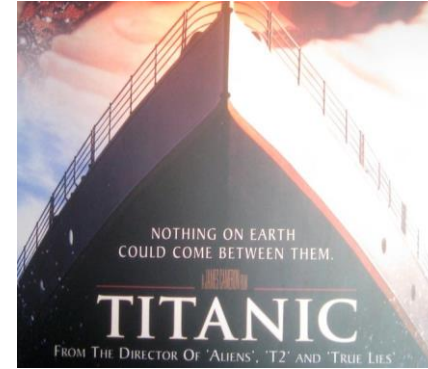


Measuring Success

- Basic principles (OTOBOS)
 - On Time
 - On Budget
 - On Scope
- Why are they not enough?
 - Quality, success, maintainability, ...

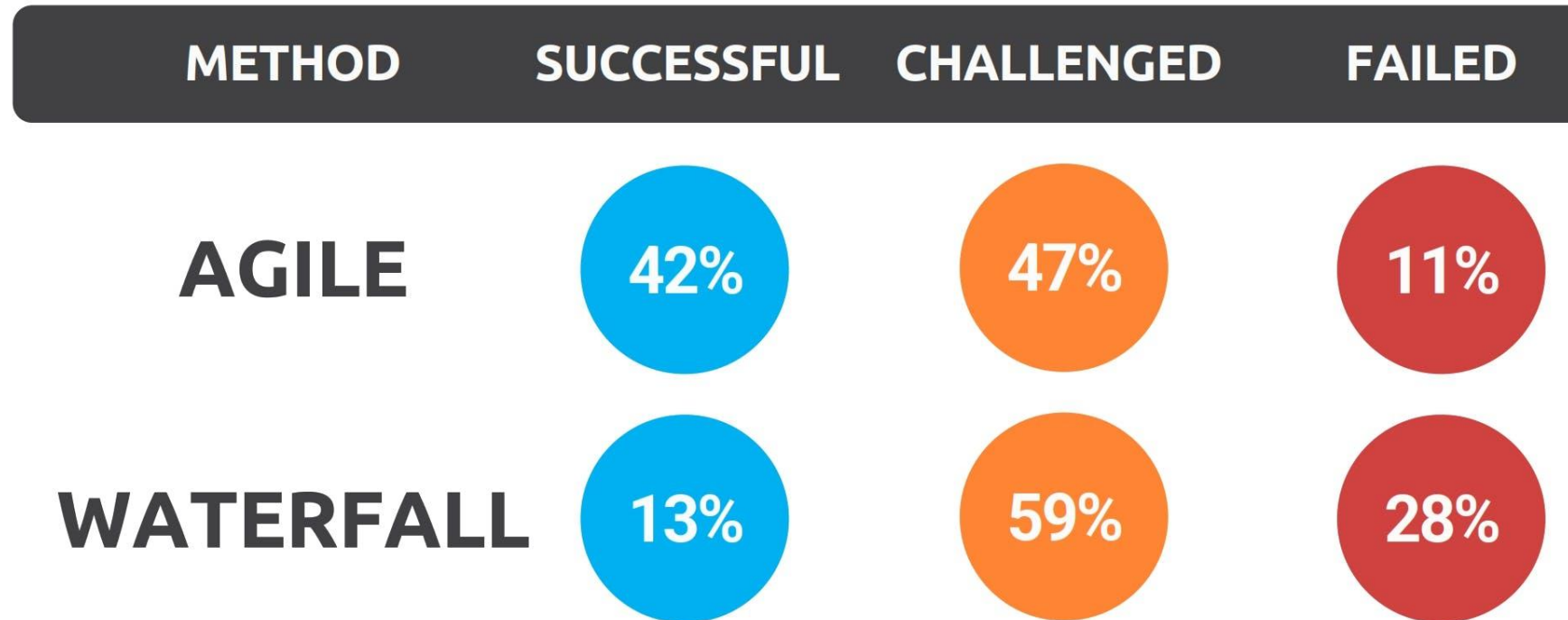
Success – Counterexamples

- Successful bad project
 - Titanic movie (1997)
 - Double costs (100→200 M USD)
 - Considerable delay
 - 11 Oscars, 2 billion USD
- Unsuccessful good project
 - Motorola Iridium
 - Satellite phone network
 - 66 satellites
 - 1993-1998, completed on time
 - Phone device: 3000 USD



Comparison of the Agile and Waterfall Models

PROJECT SUCCESS RATES AGILE VS WATERFALL



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Source: Standish Group Report 2020

Summary

Summary

- Software development life cycle
 - Goal: systematic description of the design, development, and operation of the software
- Waterfall model
 - Strictly separated phases, inflexible but simple
- V-Model
 - Developing critical systems
 - Multi-level design and checking, traceability
- Agile development
 - Short development cycles
 - Fast initial results, changing is part of the process