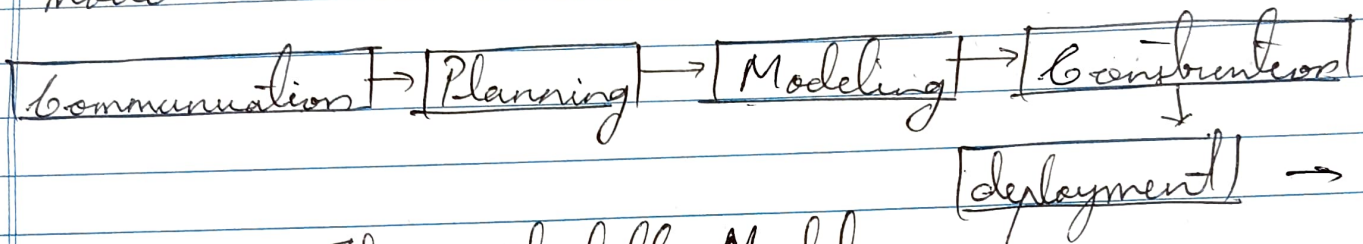


SEPM.1. Waterfall Model:

- The waterfall model, sometimes called the classic life cycle, suggests a systematic, sequential approach to software development that begins with customer specification of requirements, progresses through planning, modeling, construction & deployment, culminating in ongoing support of the completed software.
- A variation in representation of the waterfall model is called the V-model.



The waterfall Model.

• Advantages:

- Simple & easy to understand.
- Easy to manage.
- Best for smaller projects.
- Individual processing

• Disadvantages:

- Inflexible.
- Late testing.
- Not suitable for evolving projects.
- Lengthy development cycle.

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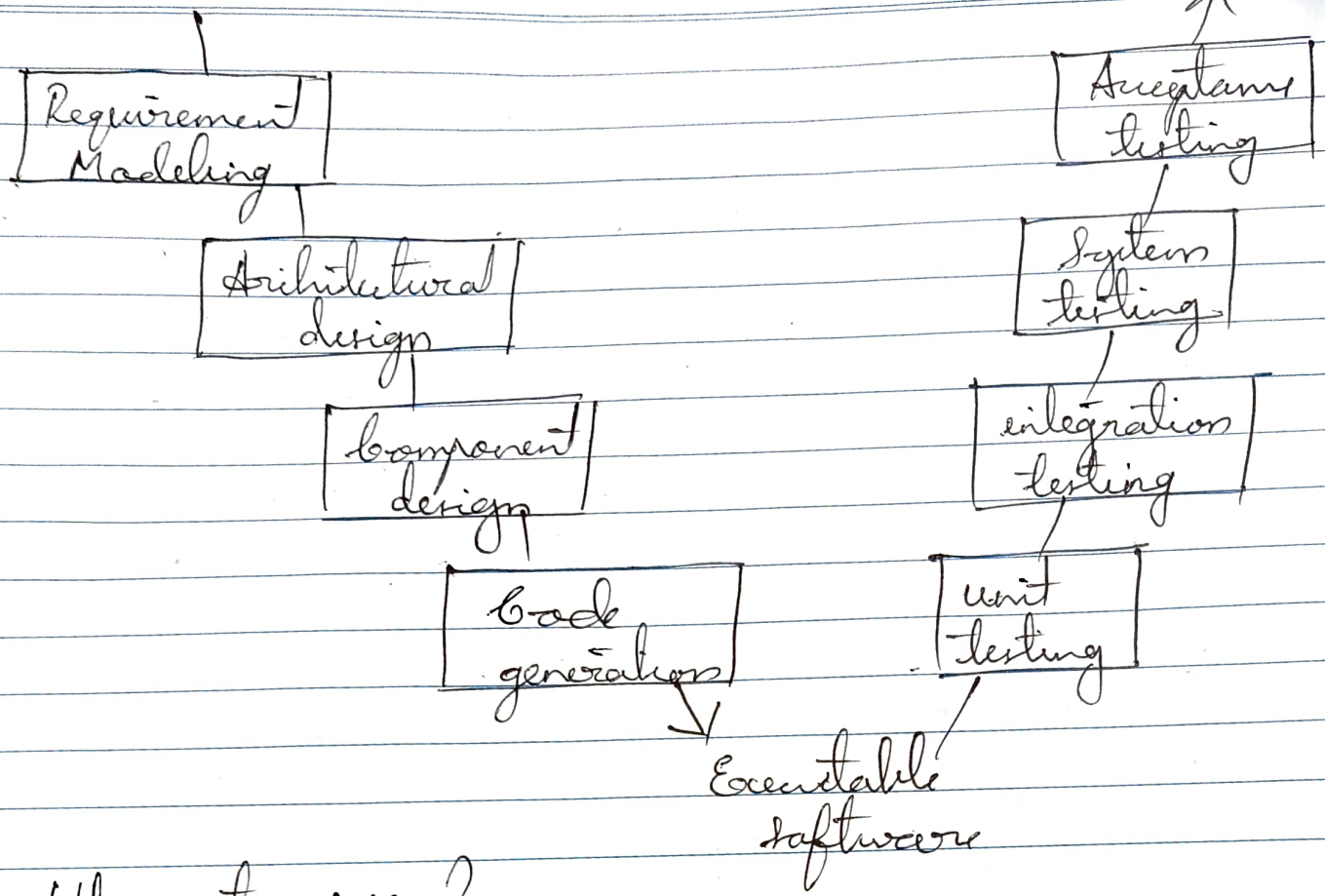
In a library management system, phases include requirement analysis, system design, implementation, testing, deployment & maintenance. Once a phase is finished it doesn't return to previous stages.

When to use waterfall model?

- Well understood requirements.
- Very little changes expected.
- Small to medium size projects.
- Client prefers a linear & sequential approach.
- Limited resources.

V Model:

- A variation in the representation of the waterfall model is called the V-model. It is also referred to as the verification & validation model. It depicts the relationship of quality assurance actions to the actions associated with communication modeling & early construction activities. In the V-model as the team moves down the left-side requirements are refined into detailed solution. Once coding is done, they move up the right side, performing tests to validate each development phase, ensuring quality at every step.



- When to use?
- clear & stable requirements.
- Defined testing phases
- Low risk of changes
- Strict quality assurance needs.

Advantages:

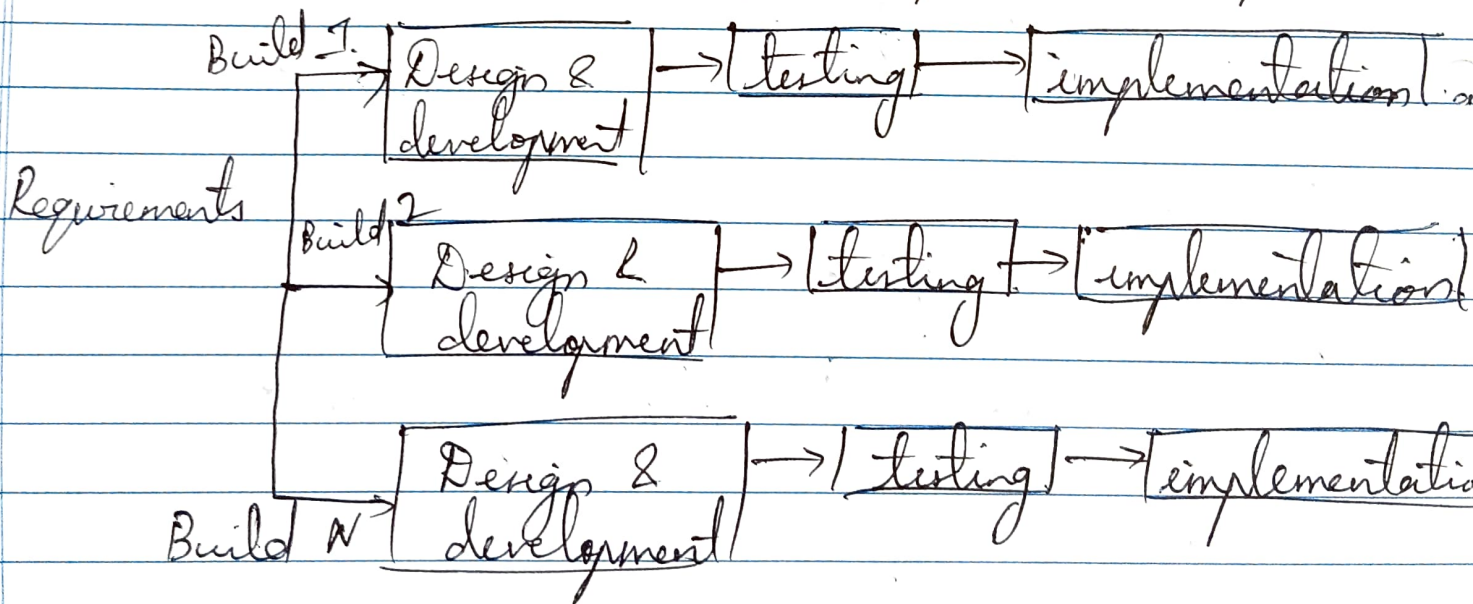
- Easy to understand
- Saves a lot of time.
- Avoids downward flow of defects.

Disadvantages:

- Rigid & least flexible.
- Not good for complex projects.
- No early prototypes of the software are produced.

Incremental process model:

- It combines elements of linear & parallel process flows. It applies linear sequences in a staggered fashion as calendar time progresses. When an incremental model is used, the first increment are often a core product i.e. basic requirements are addressed but many supplementary features remain undelivered. The core product is used by the customer (an undergoes detailed evaluation). As a result, a plan is developed for the next increment. The plan addresses the modification of the core product to better meet the needs of the customer & the delivery of additional features & functionality. This process is repeated following the delivery of each increment, until the complete product is produced.



Incremental model.

Advantages:

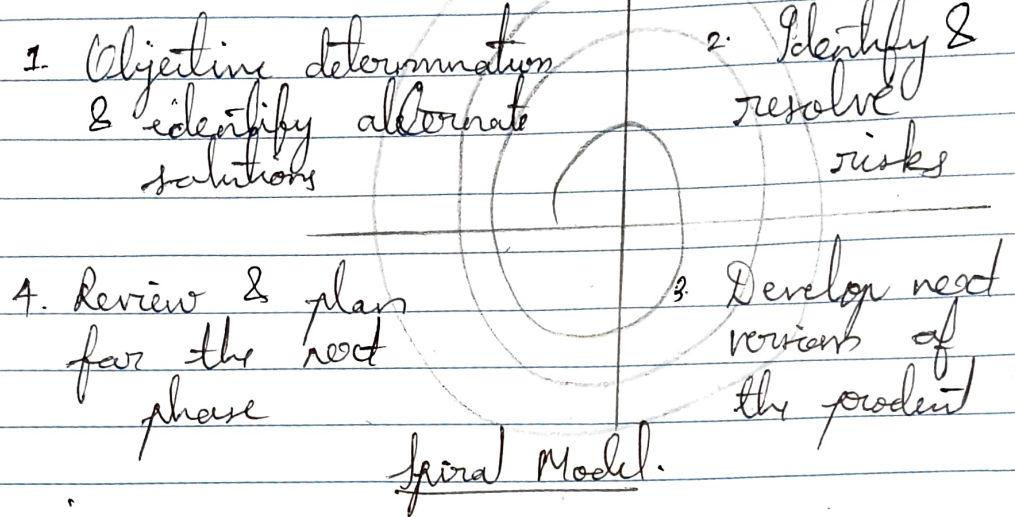
- Errors are easy to be recognized.
- More flexible.
- Easier to test & debug.

Disadvantages:

- Cost is high.
- Need for good planning.
- Well defined module interfaces are needed.

Spiral Model:

- Originally proposed by Barry Boehm, the spiral model is an evolutionary software process model that couples the iterative nature of prototyping with controlled & systematic aspects of the waterfall model.
 - The spiral development model is a risk driven model generator that is used to guide multi stakeholder conceived engineering of software intensive systems. It has 2 major distinguishing features. One is a cyclic approach for incrementally growing a system's degree of definition & implementation while decreasing its degree of risk. The other is a set of anchor point milestones for ensuring stakeholder commitment to feasible & mutually satisfactory system solutions.
- A spiral model is divided into a set of framework activities defined by the software engineering team.



Advantages:

- Risk handling
- Good for large projects
- Customer satisfaction
- Improved quality.

Disadvantages:

- Complex
- Expensive
- Difficulty in time management.
- Too much dependability on risk analysis.

Spiral Model delivers high-quality software by promoting risk identification, iterative development & continuous client feedback. When a project is vast in software engineering, a spiral model is utilized.