

Software Process Models

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Roadmap



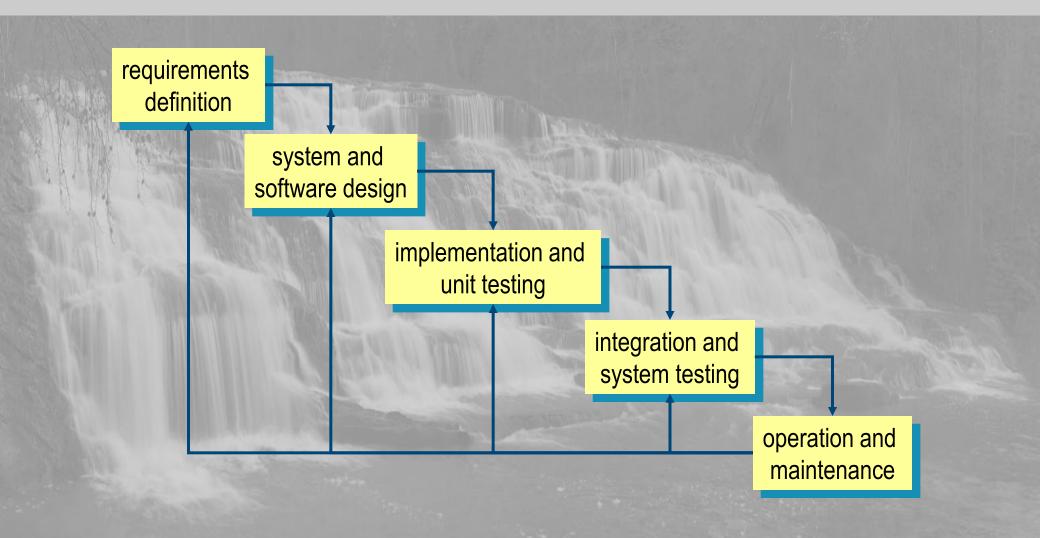
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 - Incremental methods
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Note:

deviates somewhat from Sommerville's classification, relies on Kal Toth (see later)

Waterfall Model

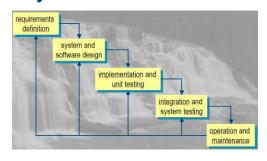




Waterfall Model: Appraisal



- Partitioning into distinct stages
 - → difficult to accommodate change after process is underway
 - → Inflexible
 - One phase has to be complete before moving onto next phase
- Few business systems have stable requirements
 - changing customer requirements
 - Increased domain understanding
 - Unforeseen technical difficulties
- only appropriate when requirements well-understood and fairly stable
- mostly used for large systems engineering projects (?)
 where system is developed at several sites



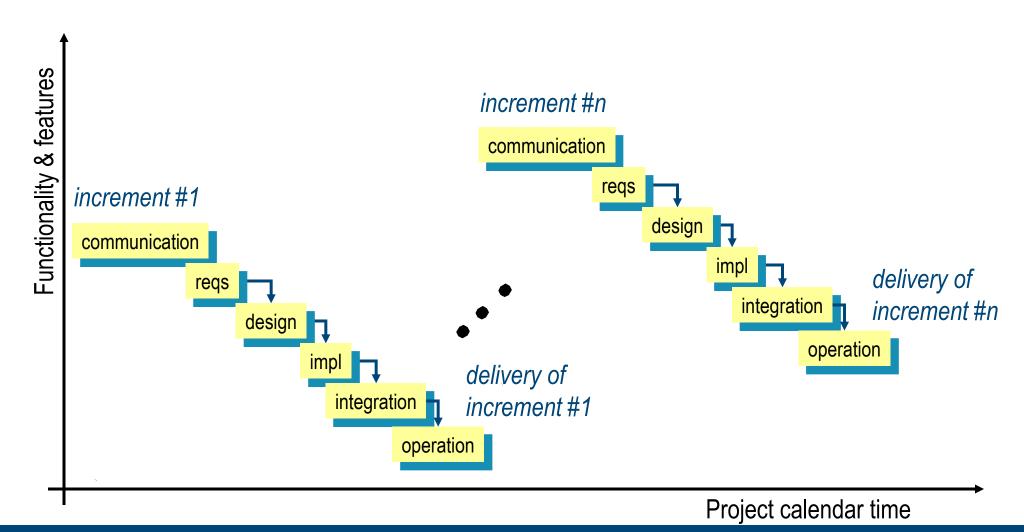
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The Incremental Model





Incremental Delivery



- development & delivery broken down into increments
 - each increment delivering part of the required functionality
- User requirements are prioritised
 - highest priority requirements included in early increments
- Once development of increment is started, requirements are frozen
 - requirements for later increments can continue to evolve

Incremental Development: Appraisal



- Customer value delivered with each increment
 - system functionality is available earlier
- Early increments act as a prototype
 - help elicit requirements for later increments
- Lower risk of overall project failure
- Highest priority system services tend to receive most testing
 - Why?

