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Lab-01 Choosing Software Process Models

- (a) A simple data processing project.

Process Model: Waterfall Model

Reason: The project is simple, and requirements are well-defined and of limited complexity.

- (b) A data entry system for office staff who have never used computers before. The user interface and user-friendliness are extremely important.

Process Model: Prototype Model

Reason: Less experience teams, System with novice users, Requirements are not clear

- (c) A spreadsheet system that has some basic features and many other desirable features that use these basic features.

Process Model: Spiral Model

Reason: Component-Based Development is suitable for a system with a core set of basic features that can be leveraged to build other desirable features. It enables faster development by reusing existing components.

- (d) A web-based system for a new business where requirements are changing fast and where an in-house development team is available for all aspects of the project.

Process Model: Iterative Model

Reason: Requirements are not clear but will evolve and is a big project.

- (e) A website for an online store which has a long list of desired features it wants to add, and it wants a new release with new features to be done very frequently.

Process Model: Spiral Model

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- (f) A system to control anti-lock braking in a car.

Process Model: Waterfall Model

Reason: Simple and requirements are well defined.

- (g) A virtual reality system to support software maintenance

Process Model: Incremental Model

Reason: The requirements of the system will change and cannot be predicted before the implementation and require complex programming for the software. This software is not a critical system.

- (h) A university accounting system that replaces an existing system

Process Model: Waterfall Model

Reason: The requirements of this system can be predicated in advance because of the existing system. This is a mission-critical system, and the requirements are stable and reusable.

- (i) An interactive system that allows railway passenger to find train times from terminals installed in stations.

Process Model: Prototype and incremental model

Reason: The user's requirement may likely change and fast delivery must be implemented.

- (j) Company has asked you to develop software for missile guidance system that can identify a target accurately.

Process Model: Spiral Model

Reason: Risk is high, requirements are evolving and big project.

- (k) When emergency changes have to be made to systems, the system software may have to be modified before changes to the requirements have been approved. Choose a Process Model for making these modifications that ensure that the requirements documents and the system implementation are consistent not become inconsistent.

Process Model: Spiral Model

Reason: The Spiral Model allows for risk assessment and prototyping, making it suitable for situations where emergency changes are required. It enables quick iterations and adjustments to accommodate immediate changes.

- (l) Software for ECG machine.

Process Model: Waterfall Model

Reason: The model is simple, and requirements are well-defined in advance.

- (m) A small scale well-understood project (no changes in requirement will be there once decided).

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