

Curriculum

- Software development lifecycle
- Capture software requirements using UML
- Strike a balance: risk management
- Early bug-finding using model checking
- Maintain traceability in model-based software design
- Software testing



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"In a software engineering course, you PREACH, not TEACH."

-- Frederick P. Brooks, Jr. UNC Chapel Hill



Why preach instead of teach

- What can be taught?
 - Tools and methodologies
 - Which are different in different industries, and change over time

- Religions are ways of interpreting the world
 - Preaching principles which can change your behavior
 - i.e. You will go to Hell if you don't donate 1/10 of your wealth (Tithe)
 - Which do not change over time



Key Challenges in Software Engineering

1. Effective communication

- Between the engineering team and other stakeholders
- Within the engineering team

2. Risk Management

– How to balance conflicting judging criteria?

3. Validation

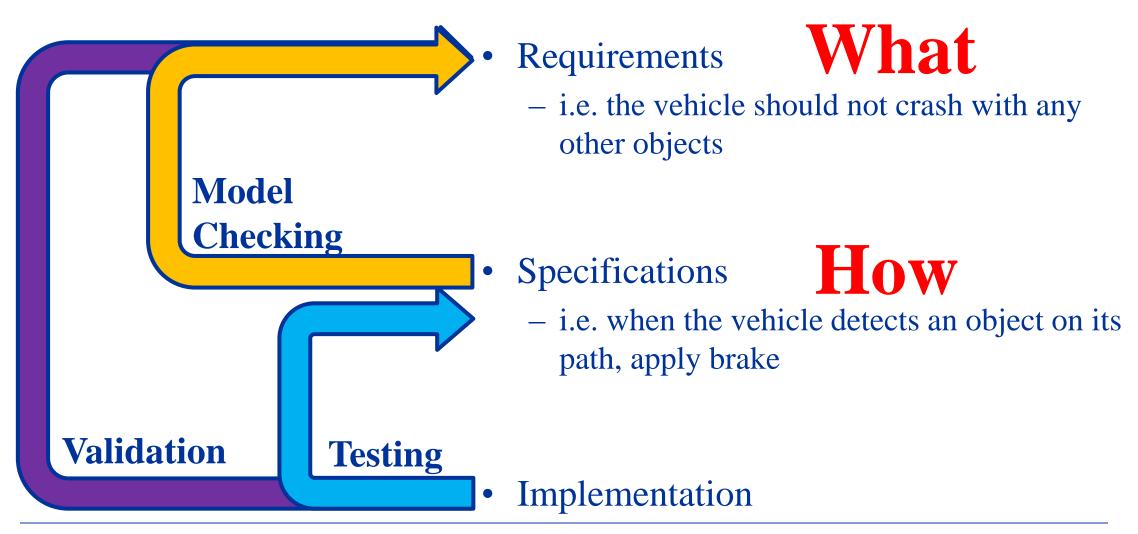
– How do you know the software is effective/safe/secure?



Lecture 2: Software Life Cycle



Three Most Important Artifacts



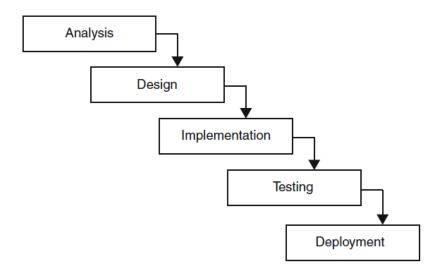


Waterfall Software Development Model

• A new phase begins only when the previous phase has been fully completed

• Intend to ensure full attention on one stage at a time

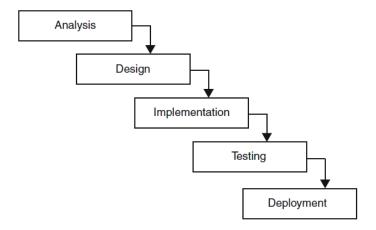






Cons: Waterfall Software Development Model

- Inflexible: Assume ideal situation which does not consider
 - Communication failures
 - Human errors
 - Change of requirements
- No feedback: No tangible product available for assessment until very late





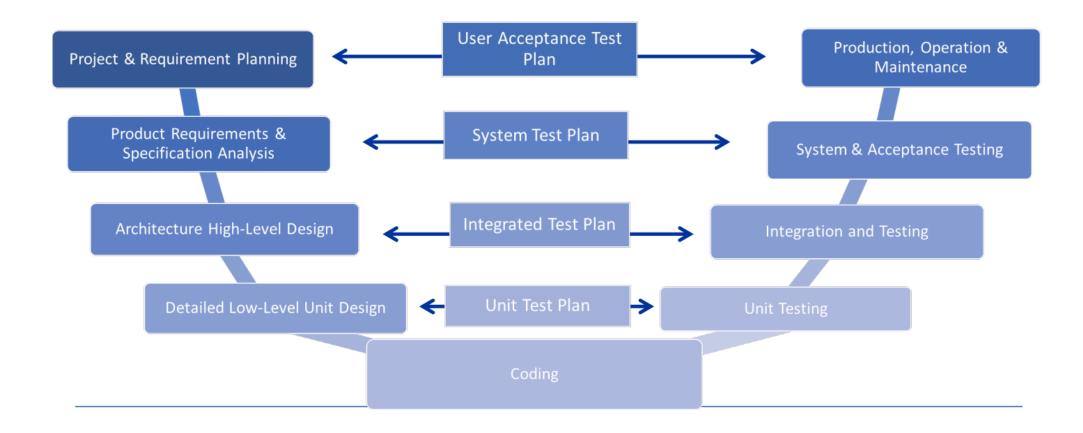
When to use the Waterfall model?

- When the requirements are established hand-on and well known to the team;
- When the technology is mastered by the team;
- The project has a stable plan and product definition;
- When updating or creating a new version of an existing product;
- When porting an existing product to a new platform

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V-shape Model





The Importance of Intermediate Artifacts

- Find problems early can significantly reduce cost Requirements
 - Tools and methodologies available to analyze intermediate artifacts



- Reduce ambiguity due to miscommunication
 - An executable product is the best communication tool
- What's in the first prototype?
 - What should be added in each iteration?

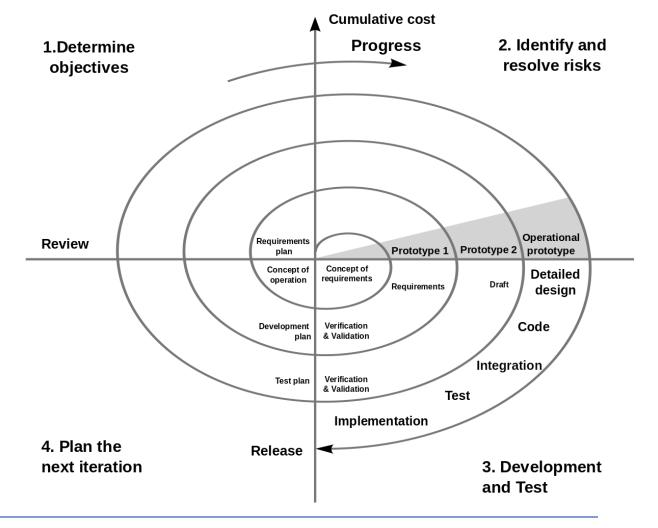


Spiral software development model

Each cycle represents an iteration in the development process

Client feedback after each iteration

• Iterations guided using risk management





Agile Development

- Individuals and interactions over processes and tools;
- Working software over comprehensive documentation;
- Customer collaboration over contract negotiation;
- Responding to change over following a plan



My Experience in Software Engineering

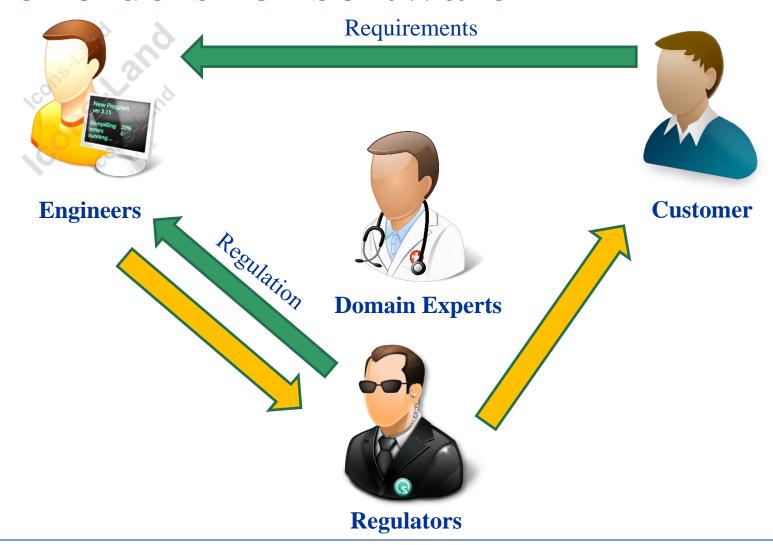
- Safe software for autonomous medical devices (UPenn)
 - Developed tools and methodologies for software validation
 - Proposed model-based design framework for medical device software
 - Identified physiological requirements with physicians (domain experts)
 - Studied certification of medical device software with regulators
- Software and systems for connected cars (Toyota ITC)
 - Learned the business perspective of software products.
 - Learned how to convert company vision to concrete projects
 - How legacy tools and best-practice affect software design
 - How risk management is used when developing a product
 - How does R&D work? From research to advanced development to production



Step 1: Software Requirement



Stakeholders for software



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Composition of an Engineering Team

- Business analyst
 - In charge of developing requirements
 - Interacts with customer and domain experts
- Developer
 - In charge of developing specifications that satisfy the requirements
- Tester
 - In charge of validating the design and implementation
 - Interacts with regulators



Software Requirement

- Requirements: expected services of the system and constraints that the system must obey
- Functional Requirements
 - What the system must achieve
- Non-functional Requirements
 - Software quality: How well the system can do its job, etc
- Domain Requirements
 - Easy to omit as domain experts may think they are "obvious"



Functional Requirements

- Functions, tasks, or behaviors the system must fully support.
 - How user of the system use the system
- The "skeleton" of the system requirements
 - Should be captured in early iterations
- Need to distinguish "core functions" from "features"

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Non-Functional Requirements

- Constraints placed on various attributes of system functions or tasks
- Equally important compared to functional requirements
 - Separate software products from software practices
- Sources
 - Domain: i.e. Human can tolerate up to 150ms delay in voice communication
 - Legacy: i.e. QWERTY keyboard
 - User: i.e. User want to operate the interface with one hand
 - Regulation: The system should switch to backup and resume within 1ms after the primary program crashes



Examples of Non-Functional Requirements

- User interface and human factors:
 - What type of user will be using the system?
 - Will more than one type of user be using the system?
 - What sort of training will be required for each type of user?
 - Is it particularly important that the system be easy to learn?
 - Is it particularly important that users be protected from making errors?
 - What sort of input/output devices for the human interface are available, and what are their characteristics?



Examples of Non-Functional Requirements

- Performance characteristics
 - Are there any speed, throughput, or response time constraints on the system?
 - Are there size or capacity constraints on the data to be processed by the system?
- Error handling and extreme conditions
 - How should the system respond to input errors?
 - How should the system respond to extreme conditions?



Examples of Non-Functional Requirements

Quality issues

- What are the requirements for reliability?
- Must the system trap faults?
- What is the maximum time for restarting the system after a failure?
- Is it important that the system be portable (able to move to different hardware or operating system environments)?

System Modifications

- What parts of the system are likely candidates for later modification?
- What sorts of modifications are expected (levels of adaptation)?
- Might unwary adaptations lead to unsafe system states?



Identifying Non-functional Requirements

- Certain constraints are related to the design solution that are unknown at the requirements stage.
- Certain constraints are highly subjective and can only be determined through complex, empirical evaluations.
- Non-functional requirements tend to conflict and contradict.
- There is no 'universal' set of rules and guidelines for determining when nonfunctional requirements are optimally met.

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Requirement Elicitation

• Step 1: (Business analyst) develops common understanding of the problem domain with (customers) and (domain experts)

• Step 2: (Business analyst) explains the problem to (the development team) and develop a design strategy

• Step 3: (Business analyst) presents the design strategy to the customer, and agree on technical solutions



Business analysts

- Need to be familiar with the problem domain and development techniques
- The bridge between the customers and the development team
 - To the customers:
 - Explain in domain language what can/cannot be achieved with existing constraints
 - Hide technical details when explaining the technical solution to the customers
 - Create user manual
 - To the development team:
 - Reformulate the domain problem as mathematical problems



Common Problems During Requirement Elicitation

- Problem of scope
 - What environmental condition the system will operate in?
- Problem of understanding
- Problem of volatility
 - User needs evolve over time

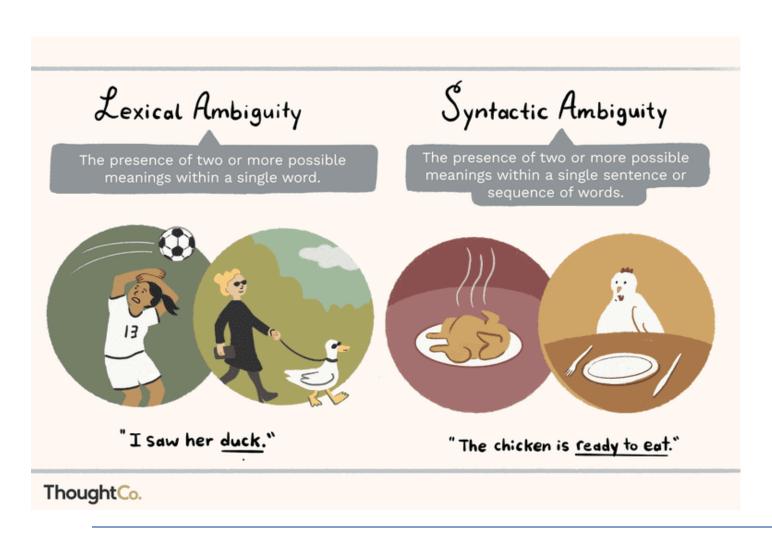


Problem of Understanding

- The customer fails to explain their needs well.
 - Need a common language
- The analyst may not understand the customer's need.
 - Need to study the problem domain
- The customer may not know what he/she wants
 - The team should identify customer needs from the problem domain
- The analyst may not clearly convey the requirements to the development team
 - Problem abstraction



Natural Languages Are Prone to Ambiguities







We need a widely used formal language



Communications among various stakeholders

Need a common language for communication

Unified Modeling Language (UML)

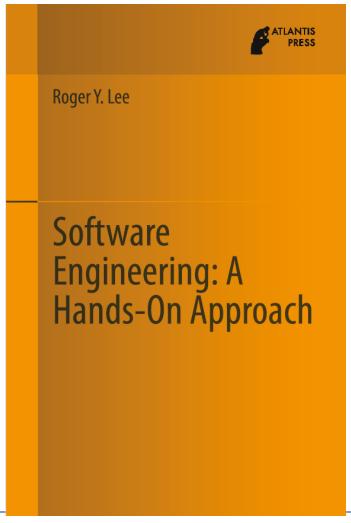


• It's just a tool, not a solution





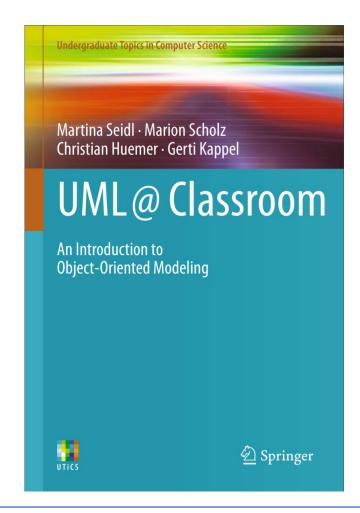
Reference Book





Reference for UML

- Freely available online
- Search from our library website





Procedure-Oriented Software Design

- Describe problems in terms of functions: y=f(x)
- Behaviors hard to describe as procedure



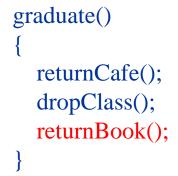


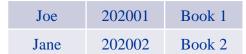
Procedure-Oriented Software Design

- Sensitive to requirement changes
- Nothing reusable
- Less intuitive (Communication problems)
- No information hiding



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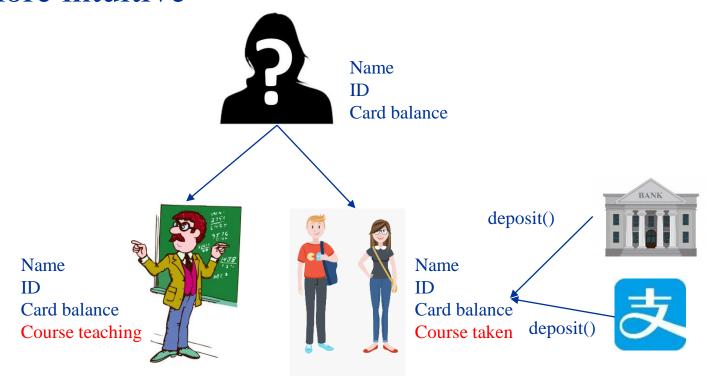
DIY Community in Electrical Engineering

- Standardized "building blocks"
 - Easily accessible
- Standardized interface
 - Interchangeable components
- Can we define a software system as a collection of objects of various types that interact with each other through well-defined interfaces?



Object-Oriented Software Design

- Describe problems as objects and interactions between objects
- Much more intuitive



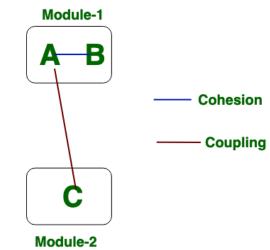


Benefits of OO

• Modularity: Decompose a system into a set of cohesive and loosely

coupled modules

- Reusability
 - Accidental vs. deliberate reuse
- Encapsulation and information hiding
 - Interfaces
- Access levels
 - Reduce coupling
- Inheritance: a relationship between different classes in which one class shares attributes of one or more different classes





Cohesion vs. Coupling

Low vs. high cohesion

Class A Class B element 1 element 1 element 2 element 2 method 1 method 1 uses element 1; uses element 1: uses element 2; method 2 method 2 uses element 2; uses element 1; uses element 2;

• Tight Coupling (avoid)

```
Class B
     Class A
                             element 2
element 1
                             method B
method A
   uses class P
element 2
method C
   calls class B.
method B();
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Design Choices

- A method of an object may only call methods of:
 - The object itself.
 - An argument of the method.
 - Any object created within the method.
 - Any direct properties/fields of the object.
- Don't talk to strangers!
- When one wants a dog to walk, one does not command the dog's legs to walk directly; instead one commands the dog which then commands its own legs.