

## Software (System) Development Lifecycle (SDLC):

requirements>design>implementation>testing>maintenance  
(Most time spent on maintenance - features, performance...)

### Quality attributes of great software:

- **Reliability**: will it perform properly in assumed conditions?
- **Efficiency**(+performance): can sys respond & work fast, scale to high loads?
- **Integrity**(+security): possible to put sys in bad state?
- **Usability**: can real users complete goals w/ the sys?
- **Maintainability**(+modifiability): how hard to make changes?
- **Testability**: can semi-auto test if sys is right?
- **Flexibility**(+robustness): easy to adapt to unusual conditions?
- **Portability**: could sys be ported to new platform?
- **Reusability**: what parts could be used in new sys?
- **Interoperability**: sys talks to other relevant sys?

**Use cases**: activities a system supports

**Entities**: kinds of objects involved in use cases

**Attributes**: properties of entities

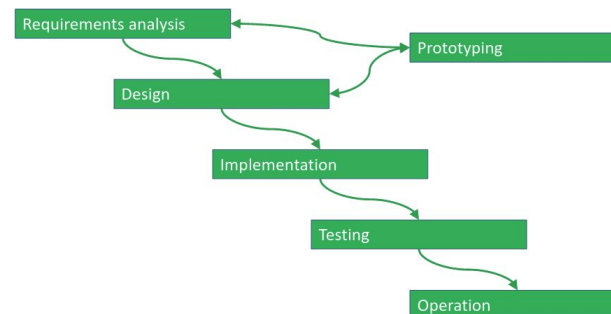
**Sys boundary**: part of the sys that will be built

**Process**: set of ordered tasks

- **Requirements**: What should the system do?
  - **Functional requirements**: describe *what* sys should do
    - **Unstructured text**:
      - Req. definition (external viewpoint): sys is a black box w/ some interface -- emphasis on *sys's role*
      - Req. specification (sys viewpoint): env is accessed via in/outputs -- emphasis on *how sys works*
    - **Structured use cases**:
      - Use case name: *succinct & meaningful*
      - Actor: *who 'does' the activity?*
      - Preconds: *what is true before activity?*
      - Postconds: *what is true after activity?*
      - Flow of events: *what steps do actor & sys perform during the scenario?*
  - **Non-fcnal reqs**: describe *how well* sys should do stuff
    - Can be written as unstructured text
    - Often written in terms of *fit criteria* (how good does sys need to be; tightly related to important qual attributes; shouldn't be 'imagined' but driven by cust needs)
  - **Prototyping**: *depict* what sys should look like, *test* prots w/ custs or (pref) users, *fix up* prots & use learned to impl. real sys
    - Throwaway prots: paper, low-fi (impl. w/ tool like photoshop)
    - Evolutionary: hi-fi (impl. on target platform - not fully functional, but will be incorp'd into final product)
    - Testing: *let UI speak for itself*, if misunderstood, fix on spot if poss (user is always right)
  - **Stakeholder review**: engrs present understanding of reqs, SHs correct, everyone discusses, engrs revise reqs, repeat if necessary
  - **Manual analysis**: syst'lly check general consistency (if unst. text says sys should support X, is this cons. w/ what UCs are saying; are necessary ents shown in UML and/or MSD)
  - **Formal analysis**: check if reqs are *provably* consistent
  - **\*Paper/low/hi prots, SH rev, man. analys. all especially good for validation (is goal correct), all those + formal analysis good for verification (is solution correct)**
- **Design**: How should it do it?
  - Architectural design (overall *structure* of the system):
    - What components should be in the system?
    - How should the components be connected?
  - Program design (how *code* should be organized):
    - How should each component's code be distributed among classes and/or functions?
- **Implementation**: Writing code
  - May include writing comments, writing other documentation, helping other engrs w/ coding, answering questions, reading colleagues' code/docs, messing around w/ code
- **Testing**: Making sure code is right
  - Unit testing (automatically checking indiv. components)
  - Sys integration testing (components work well together)

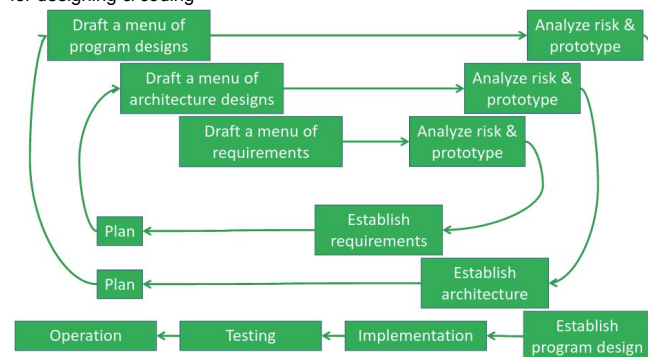
- Usability testing (checking user interfaces)
- Acceptance testing (checking that cust/user is happy)
- **Operation**: Using the system
  - Dist. code to custs/users
  - Providing docs & support
  - Debugging after users try out the system
  - Studying how well sys works in practice
  - Adapting sys for new markets

**Waterfall**: Good for small systems whose requirements can be fully understood before any design & coding



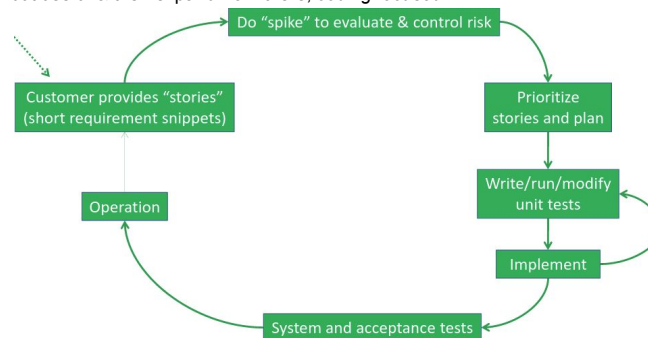
- No prototyping in pure waterfall
- Goes through SDLC sequentially (not realistic for large systems)
- Lengthy documentation of requirements
- Drawbacks:
  - Non-iterative: hard to handle changes during development
    - Views sw dev as manufacturing rather than creative
  - Long wait for final product

**Spiral**: Good for larger systems w/ vague requirements & many alternatives for designing & coding



- Developed for more structured feedback

**Agile**: Good for systems where you can rapidly create something very small but useful & then expand from there, *coding focused*



- Not usually that tidy
- Iterations:
  - Grouping: not all itrs result in a new product release
  - Sub-dividing: each itr has 'micro-itrs' inside
- Examples:
  - Extreme Programming (XP): 1-2 wk itr
  - Scrum: 30-day itr; mult. Self-organizing teams; daily 'scrum' coordination
  - Crystal: collection of approaches based on notion that every project has unique needs
- **XP**:
  - **Communication**: good to talk w/ cust & btw devs
  - **Simplicity**: keep simple and grow sys and models when needed
  - **Feedback**: let users give feedback early and often
  - **Courage**: speak the truth, with respect
  - **Practices**: *customer*: cust is part of team, participates in testing; *realism*: realistic about meeting cust needs, meet needs in small increments, sustainable pace (no all-nighters); *design*: simple design, design improvement, around coherent idea, continuous integration to see if sys is on track; *teamwork*: pair programming, test-driven development, collective code ownership, coding standards
  - **User stories**: flexible, fuzzy, minimalist, backed by acceptance tests
    - Systematically break down each into tasks required
    - Estimate effort for each task (use spike (experimental implementation) if needed)
    - Cust prioritizes (chooses which story for next itr)
  - **Acceptance tests**: may be mult for each story, ea validates a part of a story by exercising the sys how a user would, tell what cust will use to judge success, let you know when you can stop dev'ing
    - Ideally written by cust, should be precise & unambiguous
    - Run ≥ 1 per week, preferably more
    - Useful to have integ machine where running ATs (representative of what cust would have)
  - **Pair prog'ing**: *driver* controls keyboard, is talking to copilot, explaining intent of code and where s/he is going; *copilot* watches for mistakes, offers ideas, can request to drive
    - Must say yes if someone asks to pair and you can, pick standard as team, take turns with diff pair combos, code written alone *must* be rewritten
  - **Models**:
    - **NOT true**: mod=docs, mod'ing implies heavyweight process, mod'ing freezes reqs, mods never change, mods are complete, mods must be created w/ a tool, all devs know how to mod right, mod'ing is a waste of time, data mod is only one that matters
    - Don't let mods distract from hunt, mod itr'ly and incr'ly, mod w/ other ppl, make simple content, use simplest tools
  - **Cost, schedule, quality: pick two**
    - **Activity graph**: shows dependencies of proj's acts (filled circls for start and fin, 1 circ per milestone, labeled arrs for acts)
    - **Effort**: PSP one way to record effort (size of compo, times taken, refer when making future predictions), can be done @ team lvl
      - **Estimation models**: algorithmic (eg COCOMO) - inp=desc of proj&team, outp=est of effort; machine learning (eg CBR) - gather desc's of old proj&time taken, run prog that creates model (now have cust algorithmic model)
    - **Schedule**: sort milestones in topo order, compute soonest each can be reached from imm dependencies
    - **Risk**: impact=loss if risk->prob, likelihood=probability risk->prob, control=degree to which can *reduce exposure*
    - **Slack time** (latest-earliest poss start time): good for risky acts; acts on crit path never have slack time
  - **Testing**: focused on functional correctness (ever right?) and reliability (usually right?)
    - **Test (case)**: one exec of prog that may expose a bug
    - **Test suite**: set of test cases
    - **Tester**: program that generates tests
    - **Black box testing**: doesn't look at code or intern. structure, sends inputs and observes outputs; abstracts away internals
    - **White box**: opens box, use src code to design test cases
    - **Unit**: 1st phase by devs of modules

- **Integration**: combines unit-tested modules
- **System**: tests whole program (focuses on breaking the sys)
- **Acceptance**: by users to see if sys meets use requirements
- **Regression**(good at all times): changes can break code, bring back old bugs

#### Contrasting processes:

	Waterfall	Spiral	Agile
Emphasizes:	-Simplicity -Traceability	-Risk management -Exploring alternatives	-Flexibility -Immediacy
Weakness:	Requirement/design mistakes can be costly	Exploring alternatives can be costly	Continual rework can be costly
Style:	-Highly controlled -High ceremony	-Moderately controlled -Moderate ceremony	-Rapid & organic -Low ceremony

#### Some definitions

- “traceability”: relationships between requirements and system elements are documented
- “immediacy”: getting some sort of working system to the customer as fast as possible
- “rework”: redesigning the architecture and/or refactoring the program code
- “controlled”: conformance to process is highly valued, even if it slows a project down
- “ceremony”: how much analysis, documentation, and planning is involved

#### Improving the system later: for use w/ any process

- **Iterative**: Get whole system working *pretty* well then add features throughout system
  - Good if you need to implement most of a sys before you can get much value
- **Incremental**: Get part of the system working *really* well then add more parts to the system
  - Good if most of a sys's value is concentrated in a small number of components
- **Agile rules of the simplest design (with precedence)**:
  - Sys (code+tests) must communicate everything you want to
  - Sys must contain no duplicate code
  - Sys should have fewest possible classes
  - Sys should have fewest possible methods
- **Refactoring**: program transformation that *improves code's organization, not function*
  - Split long methods (≥1 screen) into smaller ones; move often duplicated code (≥3 dups) into a method; break large classes (≥7 member vars and/or ≥50 methods) into pieces, using an appropriate design pattern; etc (rename, delete unused methods, move, introduce factory, change signature)
  - Must have a working unit test suite, then talk with pair prog'er about it, try it, run unit test again, itr until code is better and unit tests passed

#### Diagrams:

- **Use case**: stick man for user, oval for UCs (*italicize* abstract UCs), → when a UC calls another, ⇨ for specialization
- **UML class**: one box per kind of entity, listing attributes (*italicize* abstract), lines w/o arrows show references (labeled w/ cardinality), ⇨ for specialization (points towards more general), → indicate dependencies (usually omitted in reqs' class diagrams)
- **ERD**: one box per kind of entity, list ents on branches, lines w/ ◇ show relationships (◇ label indicates role) #s or vars on lines show cardinality
- **Dataflow**: ovals are 'functions' provided by sys (in arrow=param(labeled), out arrow=output(labeled)), rectangles are actors, 'half-rectangles' (⌊) =datastore
  - Often clearer w/ separate dataflow for each UC
- **Message seq**: 1 box/entity involved, ea. box has --- showing lifetime (which can end if an obj is destroyed), arrows show messages, draw arrow back if return val, conditionals are written in [ ] (loops can be in shaded box)
- **State charts**: 1 box/state, arrows show poss. state transition (annotated for what conds the trans occurs), filled circle shows start, nested filled circle shows stop

#### Architecture: High level block diagram of system components

- **Architecture**: shows pieces of a sys & their relationships
- **Component**: self-contained piece of sys w/ defined interfaces
- **Connector**: linkage btw components via an interface

- Certain archs occur a lot (common kinds of comps & conns, typical arrangements): client-serv, p2p, pub-sub, pipe&filter, repo, layering, etc.
  - **Server**: component that provides services
  - **Client**: component that interacts w/ user and calls server
  - **Peer**: compo that provides services and may signal other peers
  - **Publish**: a compo advertises that it can send certain events
  - **Subscribe**: compo registers to receive certain events
  - **Classic repo**: cli-serv design w/ services for storing/accessing data
  - **Blackboard repo**: pub-sub; compos wait for data to arrive on repo, then compute and store more data
  - *All repo systs are cli-serv systs that can also store data*
  - **Filter**: compo that transforms data
  - **Pipe**: conn that passes data btw filters
  - **Layering**: compo that provides services to next layer; compos 'hide' lower layers
  - **Decomposition**: providing detailed view of a component
    - **Functional**: break reqs into fcns and fcns into sub-fcns (each fcn *computationally combines* output of sub-fcns)
    - **Data-oriented**: identify structures in reqs, break structs down (one compo/data structure; each struct *contains part of data*)
    - **OO**: ident structs aligned w/ fcns in reqs, break down (1 class compo/data+fcn pkg; each compo contains *part of data+fcns*)
    - **Process-oriented**: break reqs into steps into substeps (1 compo/sub-step; ea. substep compl. *1 part of a task*)
      - Definitely involved in pipe+filter architecture
    - **Feature-oriented**: break reqs into services into feats (1 compo/srvc or feat; ea. feat *makes srvc 'a little better'*)
    - **Event-oriented**: break reqs into systs of events into subevents & state changes (ea. compo gets and sends certain events and mngs certain state changes; ea. compo like a *stateful agent*)
      - Definitely involved in pub-sub architecture
  - **Evaluating arch designs**: compare against desired *qual attribs*, check for problematic *failure modes* or walk through *use cases*
    - Goal to ident room for improvement, not prove it's perfect
- OO design**: all code should have a purpose
- **Module** (class, pkg, compo, etc): should be put with related data/code
  - **Coupling** (reduces maintainability): If A&B coupled, modding A may require modding B
    - Content coupling (**worst**): A mods B
    - Common: A&B both r/w same data
    - Control: A calls B
    - Stamp: A provides structured data to B
    - Data: A provides unstructured data to B
    - Uncoupled (**best**): none of the above
  - **Cohesion** (increases maintainability): If A highly cohesive, easy to find code for a concern
    - Functional/informational (**best**): A&B work together for 1 purp
    - Communicational: A&B use same data
    - Procedural: A execs, then B execs, & A&B are vaguely related
    - Temporal: A execs, then B execs, but not related
    - Logical: Either A or B might be executed
    - Coincidental (**worst**): none of the above
  - **Tips**:
    - **Law of Demeter**: code in one module shouldn't talk to children of another module
    - Move code to where it's used (change module boundaries so fewer lines cross boundaries)
    - Split modules to reduce module cycles
    - Prefer composition over inheritance (combining submodules instead of 1 compo/module/class specializing another)
    - Communicate through interfaces when feasible (polymorphism)
  - **Design patterns**: help main, flex, other qual attr; help sys desrs
    - **Builder**: knows how to create complex obj; use when instantiating an obj requires filling it w/ parts or lengthy config
    - **Adapter**: converts one interface to another by wrapping; use to overcome incompatibility
    - **Facade**: provides unified, hi-lvl interface to subsys; use when calling subsys needs frequent series of complex code

- **Memento**: encapsulate state in an obj; use if might want to return to certain state later
- **Interpreter**: parses and acts on instrs written in certain syntax; use to add scriptability
- **Observer**: watches for other obj to change state; use in any event-driven design
- **Template method**: reduce amount of duplicate code among subclasses of same parent class; use when mult subclasses have similar (not identical) impls of the same method
- **Factory method**: encapsulates code that creates objs
- **Strategy**: allows algs to be selected at runtime; use when best alg is not known until app is running
- **Decorator**: extend obj's functionality at runtime; flexible alt to inheritance @ design time to create subclasses that support new features
- **Composite**: collection of objs that represents a composite entity; client modules deal only w/ new interface, don't need to know how compobj's data nodes are structured
- **Visitor**: collects and encapsulates oper frags into own classes; use when prog needs to itr over existing data struct and do some operation on each item in the structure

#### Professionalism:

- **Key assumptions**: future will be like the past, you are reflective enough to pay attention to self and actions, disciplined enough to take time to *record and use data*
- **Personal SW process**: PSP is one way of collecting and using data, but agile doesn't prescribe any particular method (should be simple and not time-consuming)
- **Discussions for ends of itrs**: interesting coding techns discovered, new IDE features, key problems encountered, one teammate really good/bad at something (for future pairings)
- **Traits of a professional**: varied activities req'ing special skills, personal standards of excellence, society-centric motivation, giving back to society
- **About being ethical**: breaking the *law* can earn *fine or jail time*, breaking a *moral* can ruin your *reputation*, breaking an *ethic* can ruin your *conscience*
- **8 principles of IEEE Code of Ethics**: act in public interest, act in interest of clients and employers, produce quality products, maintain independent judgement, manage ethically, protect integrity of profession, support colleagues, pursue lifelong learning