



Structural Models

- Capture the system components and their inter-relationships
 - Class diagrams, Generalization, Aggregation

Behavioral Models

- Data-flow models
 - Work is often driven by information flowing through an organization and the manner in which the organization processes, consumes, and disseminates it
- Event-driven (state machine) models

Data Models: More static view of information than the data flow diagram

Test Cases

- Effectiveness: Credibly show proper operation
- Efficiency: Repeatable, Self-documenting, Easy to develop and maintain
- Strategies: Test normal and abnormal, Use realistic data, Test boundaries

Object-Orientation

- Developing software solutions involves two significant translations:
 - The user's environment and The system design

Identifies the entities, referred to as objects, that make up the user's environment

Develops a model of these objects including their attributes and behaviors

- Implements this design as an application

Unified Modeling Language (UML)

- Systems design is complex and abstract
- Expressing it is difficult using "human" language which presents a significant risk of misinterpretation
- Reusability
 - Gives more return on investment
- Impact of new development
 - Time required to build a new application will be shortened if we can reuse existing components

Incremental vs. Prototyping

- Incremental development consists of a series of planned efforts designed result in a complete system to user specification
- Prototyping can be used to facilitate incremental development by incrementally improving the prototype into the finished system
- Throw away prototyping on other hand used to produce communication vehicles

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How has software development improved as a result of the "software crisis" discussed in lecture?, how is it still the same?

- Different techniques are used when creating a software (especially a sophisticated one)
 - Ex. Reusing parts of a software
 - Creating smaller pieces of the software
 - Making the software as flexible as possible in case of changes.
- It is still the same today because there are always new improvements in technology.

Types of requirements

Functional - Describe what the system should do

Non-functional

Constraints on the services or functions offered by the system
System performance. Security, availability

Types of Non-functional Requirements

- Product: execution speed, memory requirements, acceptable failure rate, probability, usability
- Organizational: policies and procedures
- External: interoperability with other systems, legal requirements, ethical requirements

User Requirement Challenges

- Ambiguity: Human language is different than user language is different than system language
- Confusion: Functional vs. non-functional vs. system goals vs. design information
- Amalgamation: Single stated requirement may actually contain several requirements

Ethnography: Observational technique used to understand social and organizational requirements

- Effective at discovering
 - Requirements derived from the way people actually work rather than how they are supposed to work
 - Derived from cooperation and awareness of co-stakeholder's activities

Requirements Validation

- Checkpoint or ensuring that the requirements as specified truly define the system the customer wants
- Look for validity, consistency, completeness, realism, and verifiability

- New updates
- New versions
- New (Better) methods
- It isn't too different with the software crisis back then.

2. Discuss benefits of the Waterfall approach as well as shortcomings of the Agile approach.

- Waterfall approach:
 - Tedious
 - Time-consuming
 - Many iterations
 - Less-prone to mistakes
 - Success is higher (given that the software engineer wasn't in a hurry)
- Agile Approach:
 - Fast and Easy
 - Easier to build a prototype
 - Can get the big picture done
 - Higher failure-rate:
 - Functions were missed
 - Non-Functions were missed
 - The software is not working

Principles

- User involvement
- Incremental delivery
- Exploit developers' skills (over process)
- Embrace change
- Keep it simple

4. Why are software systems particularly well-suited for automation?, under what circumstances is it difficult create a software system which automates?

- A lot of the methods are repeated numerous times that it would be best to automate things instead (if applicable)
- Some of those methods also require multiple iterations which would be time-consuming for a human's perspective.
- A software system with automation would have to deal with errors in the real world. The "vagueness" and "randomness" of everything.
 - This is the problem because there are too many factors to consider.
 - But it would be possible to narrow down the problems with an "Error Exception" which is very commonly used in a lot of programming languages today.

5. Why does a compiler consistently translate source code accurately while humans frequently misunderstand each other?

- Because whatever the source code was made from, the source code is absolute.
- For example, if the source code is based from the English alphabet, then obviously we shouldn't see any Chinese characters within the source code.
 - The compiler is made to translate the source code made from the English alphabet...
- But for humans, the problem in the real world is that if you speak to another person in English, that doesn't mean they understand it.
 - Maybe they only speak Spanish?
 - Maybe they have hearing issues?
 - There are too many factors to consider.

6. Why is it difficult if not impossible to prove perfection?

- Because it is just a matter of being content
 - Is it enough?

- What is enough?
 - What were the requirements?
 - Maybe I missed something?

- If things were narrowed down and the requirements were clear, then it is easier to see what to do to meet success.
 - But is it really enough to just stick with the requirements, or should there be more to be done?
 - Then the cycle repeats if the person's perfectionism is really extreme.

7. Discuss the concept of defensive design and give an example.

- Handling errors, being ready for anything that could go wrong.
- Must handle errors safely. Ongoing operation must continue to work correctly.

8. Discuss the benefits of reuse and steps that should be taken make components reusable.

- The component should conform to a standardized model which enforces interfaces, documentation, deployment, etc.
- A reusable component should be able to exist independent of other components
- Public access (methods, knowledge of attributes, etc.)
- must be available but strictly controlled

9. Discuss differences and similarities between H-C-I and C-C-I designs.

- Human Computer Interaction
- Computer Computer Interaction

10. What about "mission critical" makes development more difficult?

- Expensive and dangerous scenarios where error is ABSOLUTELY NOT ALLOWED.
 - Ex. Space Rocket launches/missile attacks

Design and architecture

- Levels of abstraction (large/small)
- Designing the __ (foundation, structure, supports)
- **Control Styles (centralized / event-based)**
- **Think of client server model and botnet for centralized or distributed systems example archit.**
- CASE- comp aided SW engineering

