Group Projects

- A main goal of the class is to facilitate and guide everyone through the implementation of a larger scale software project using agile development
- You will learn by ***doing***
- I am also free to help outside of class with any questions you have
- **Every** member of each team must contribute

Although I will be focused on groups as a whole, I will also pay attention to each team member's individual effort.

- I will look at GitHub to see who committed what code.
- I will look at the bug tracking system to see who was reporting errors.
- I will look at project wikis to see who posted what.
- I will pay attention in class to who is contributing to the discussion.

Project Work

- There will be 5 2-week build cycles
  - Can be done on Windows, Linux, Mac, web server, etc.
  - **Must be done as a team**

  Waiting until the end of the course and trying to code everything (regardless if it works) **will** produce a poor grade.

- A key part of the course is staying on the development schedule, following the development guidelines, and contributing each class session.
- Feel free to use any open source code that you want (as long as you aren't just ripping it off or writing a wrapper around it).

2 Week Development Cycle

- **We will use a 2 week development cycle (that will initially start on a Thursday)**
- **1st class session of cycle:**
  - Discuss/select user stories in class (rough drafts prepared before class)
  - Discuss code design for selected user stories
- **2nd class session of cycle:**
  - Barebones code skeletons for user stories checked in before class
  - Each group designs tests for another group's user stories (your barebones code needs to be sufficient for others to design tests for)
  - Discuss test coverage and testing strategies

2 Week Development Cycle (1st Class Session)

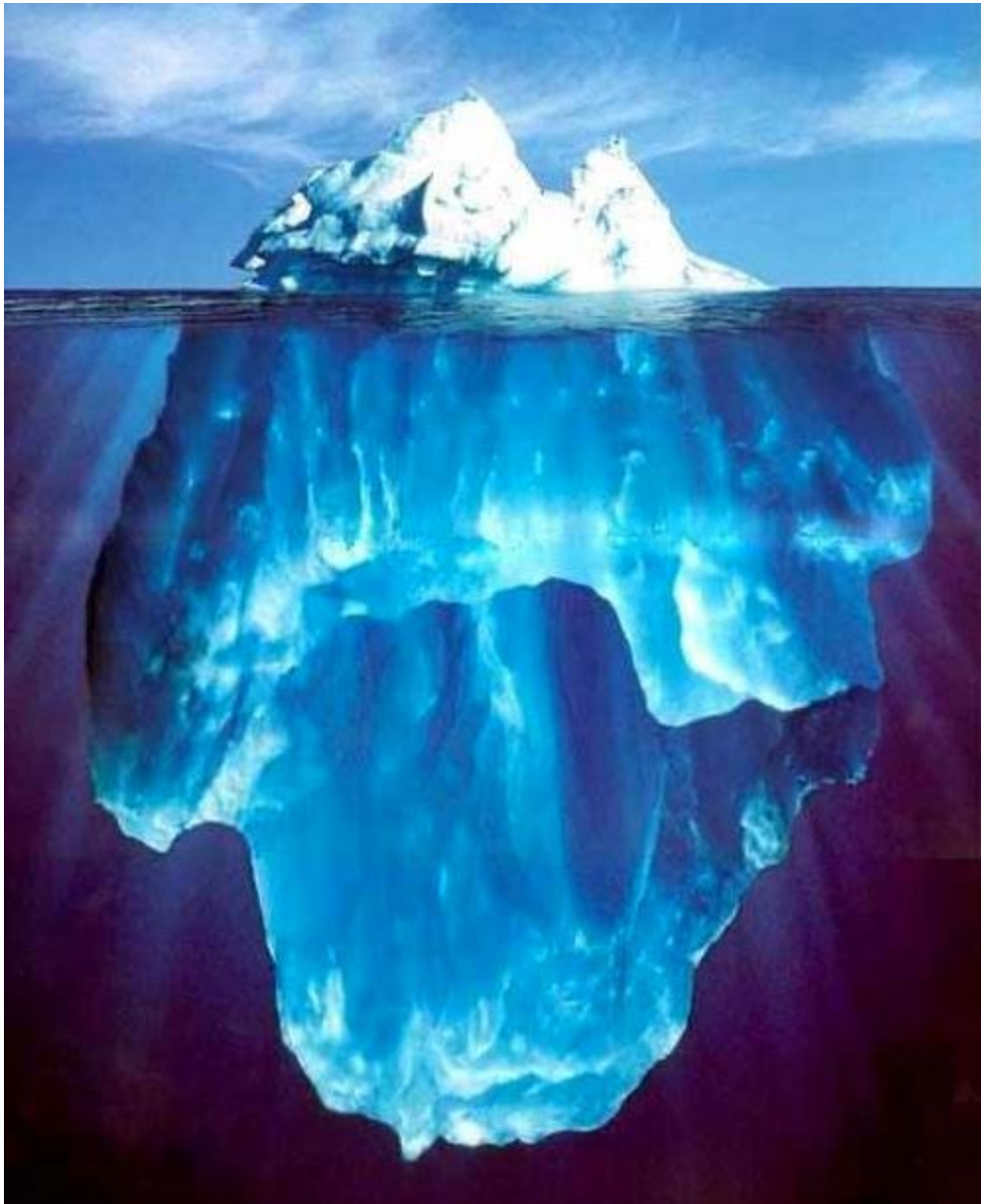
- **1st class session of cycle:**
  - Discuss/select user stories in class (rough drafts prepared before class)
    - Each team member presents a user story.
    - Appropriate scope for each story?
    - Appropriate number of user stories?
    - User stories assigned to team members?
    - How do user stories fit with end-semester user stories?
  - Discuss code design for selected user stories
    - What design approach makes sense?
    - Patterns appropriate for a user story?
    - What kind of infrastructure is needed?
    - Potential problems?

2 Week Development Cycle (2nd Class Session)

- **2nd class session of cycle:**
  - Barebones code skeletons for user stories checked in before class
    - Demo (high-level) design using code skeletons
    - Any superfluous code for the current (and past) user stories?
    - Does all code relate to a user story?
    - Patterns used/appropriate?
  - Each group designs tests for another group's user stories (your barebones code needs to be sufficient for others to design tests for)
    - What design approach makes sense?
    - What kind of infrastructure is needed?
    - Potential problems?
  - Discuss test coverage and testing strategies
    - Automation/scripting (e.g., "push button" tests)
    - Who should write tests?
    - Who should run tests?
    - What attitude should the tester(s) have (e.g., cooperative, antagonistic)?
    - Regression tests
    - Profilers

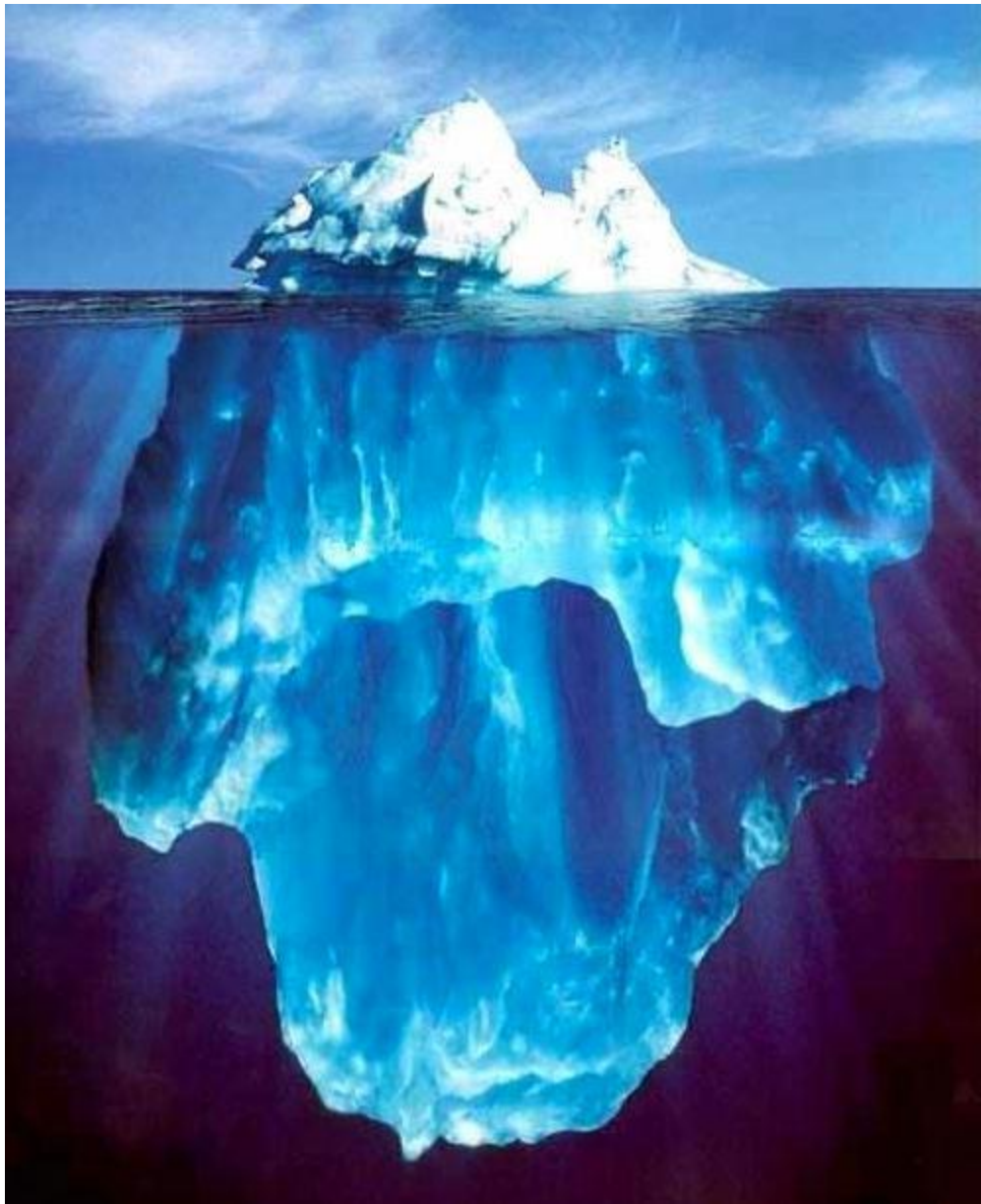
User Stories (CIS 320 Review)

- **What is a “user story”?**
- **A user story should be …:**
  - Example?
- **User stories must be assigned to …?**
- **Team members will be graded on …?**



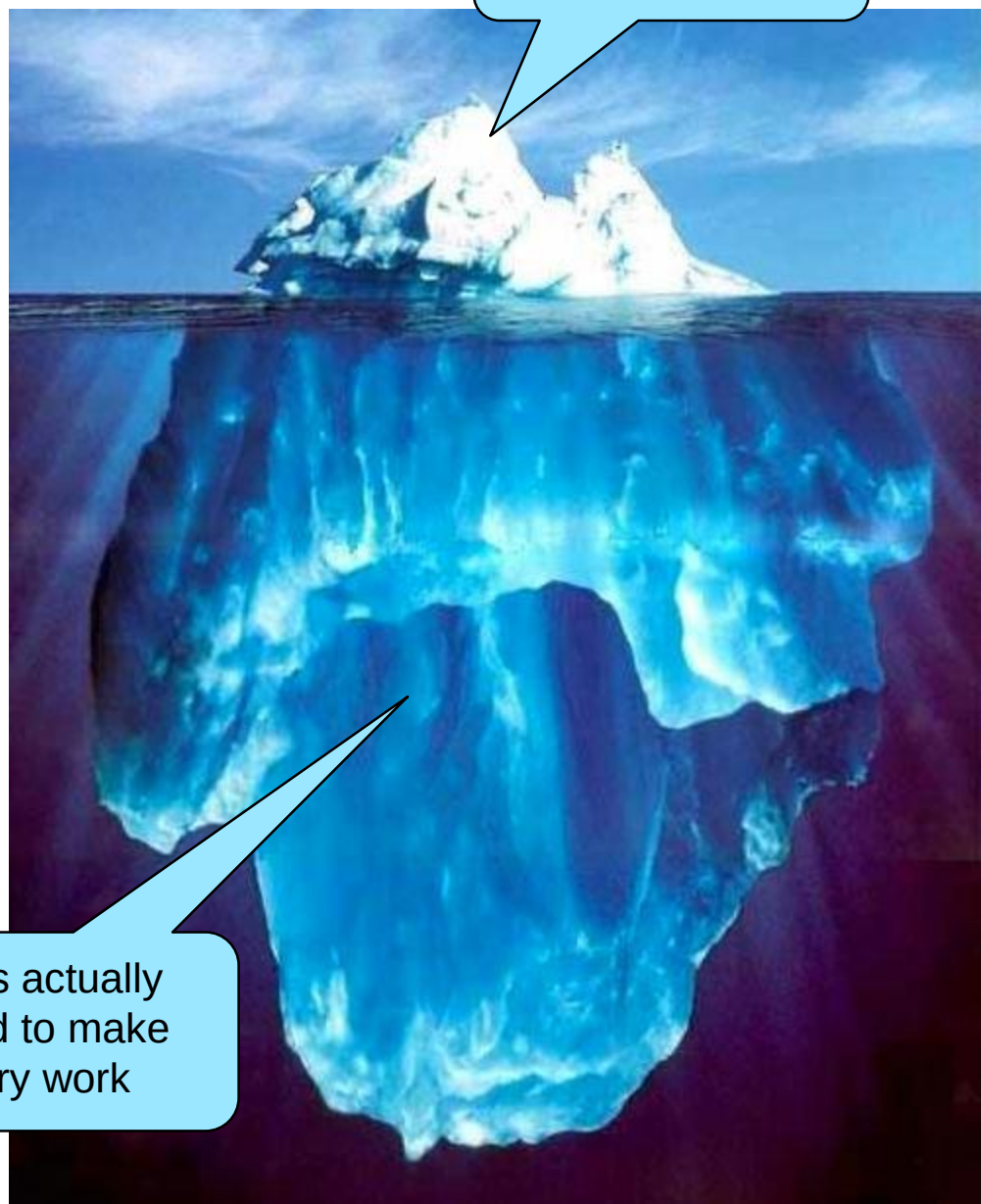
User Stories Review

- **What is a “user story”?**
- **A user story should be a short 1-2 sentence explanation of something that a user can do with the software & that the user can verify in some way:**
  - A student can add a new course to his/her schedule and see it on the screen
  - A player can view the results of a match after clicking the “Results” button
- **User stories must be assigned to team members**
- **Team members will be graded on their assigned user stories & integrated functionality**



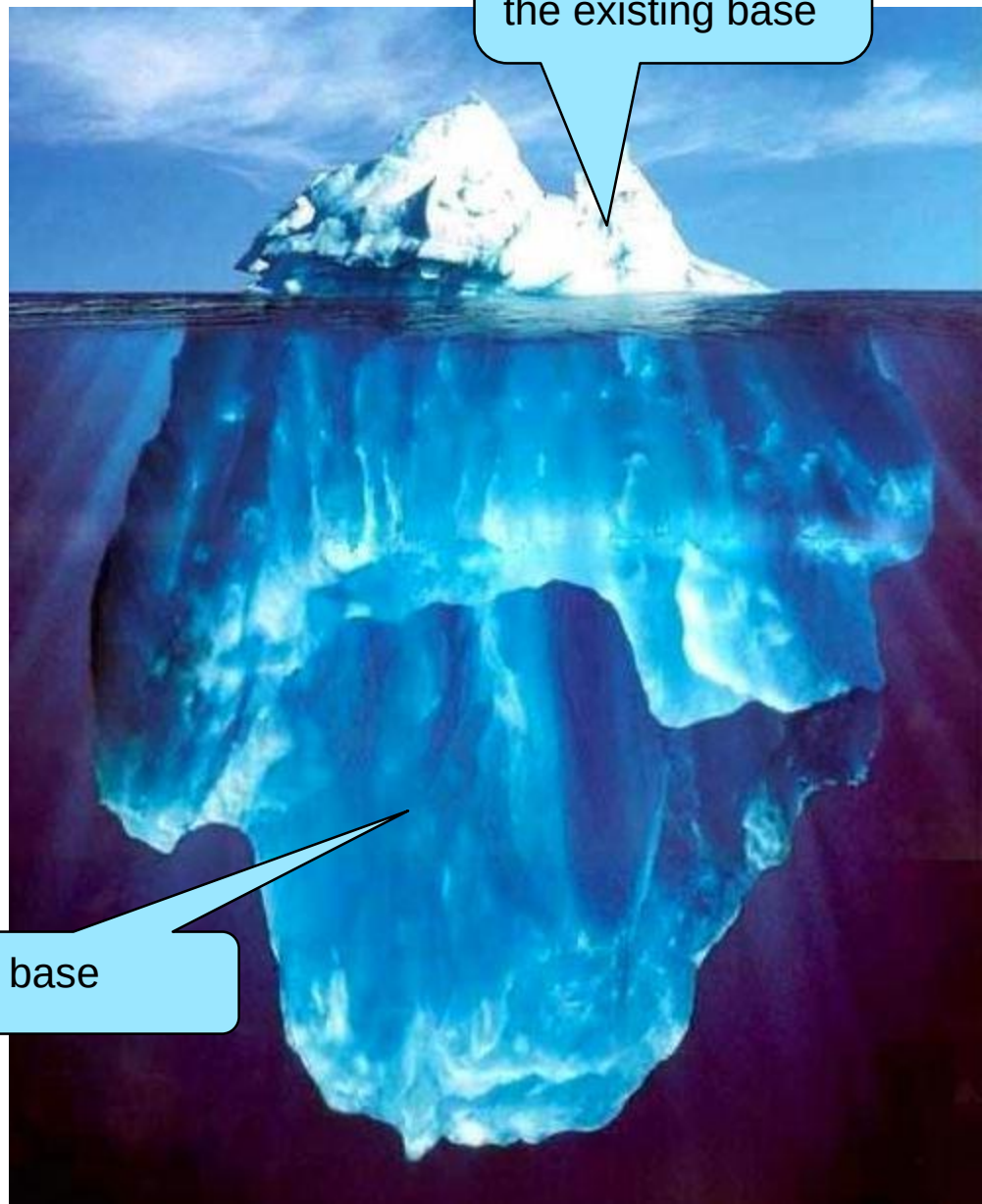
User Stories Review (cont.)

- Each user story will be simple but will require a lot of things to work under the hood
- User stories emphasize working fully-integrated software rather than large bodies of un-integrated code
- At the end of the build cycle, if a user can't complete the story, it isn't finished



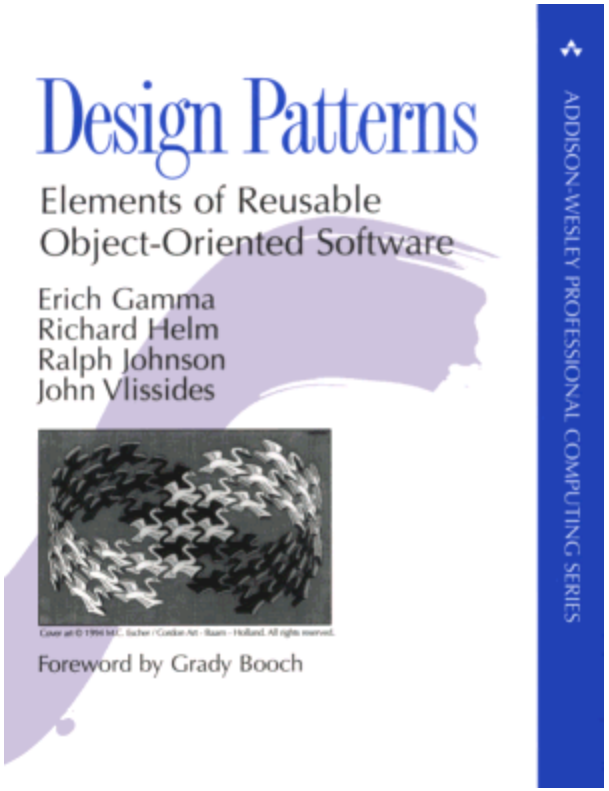
User Stories Review (cont.)

- At the beginning, you should pick fewer user stories since you will need to build the "hidden base" of software beneath it
- Later, you can increase the # of user stories per build cycle because the bulk of your base is complete



Code Design

- **Patterns should be used wherever possible**
  - We will learn new patterns as needed in class
- **Testing is critical, your code must be designed so that it can easily be tested (and it must be tested)**
  - Plan to use mock objects early on for complex parts (*e.g.*, faking remote server interaction)
- **Agile development assumes that ***code will be refactored and extended***
  - Make sure that your code doesn't exhibit tight coupling
  - You will be refactoring your code after code reviews….tightly-coupled code could land you in a world of painful code rewriting



Coding Standards

- **Basic coding standards:**
  - The code format standard should be consistent (*e.g.*, what you get when run the Eclipse automated code formatter or indent-region in Emacs)
  - Groups should agree on variable naming conventions. I recommend all lowercase letters for local variables, all caps for static variables, and one of the following for member variables:
    - Foo myVariable; //All references to foo use “this”
    - this.myVariable = ….;
    - Foo myVariable_;
    - myVariable_ = ….;
- **You must use an open source license**
  - License headers should be at the top of each source file!
  - I recommend the Apache License v2
    - http://www.apache.org/dev/apply-license.html
  - Talk to me if you *need* closed source.

Example Apache License Header

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/**************************************************************************
 * Copyright 2019 Joe Hoffert                                             *
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 * Licensed under the Apache License, Version 2.0 (the "License");        *
 * you may not use this file except in compliance with the License.       *
 * You may obtain a copy of the License at                                *
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 * http://www.apache.org/licenses/LICENSE-2.0                             *
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 * Unless required by applicable law or agreed to in writing, software    *
 * distributed under the License is distributed on an "AS IS" BASIS,      *
 * WITHOUT WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS OF ANY KIND, either express or implied.*
 * See the License for the specific language governing permissions and    *
 * limitations under the License.                                         *
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Project Requirements

- Every group must maintain their project in GitHub
- You must maintain a wiki (in GitHub) that provides detailed instructions on how to build, run, and test your code
- You must produce a binary distribution at the end of each build cycle

GitHub

Commit Rules for Artifacts

- **Rule #1: Never ever ever commit code that doesn't compile**

Commit Rules (cont.)

- **Rule #2: Always include a commit comment that briefly summarizes what changes you are checking in**

Commit Rules (cont.)

- **Rule #3: Always make sure your code passes the unit tests before checking it in**

Comment Conventions

When you commit code use the following conventions

- For user stories, prefix with “US” + cycle + “:” + and user story number followed by normal text comments (e.g., US3:2 …).
- For unit tests, prefix “UT” + cycle + “:” + and user story number followed by normal text comments (e.g., UT3:2 …).
- For integration tests, prefix “IT” + cycle + “:” + and user story number followed by normal text comments (e.g., IT3:2 …).
- For bugs/issues use “B” prefix followed by issue ID plus normal text comments (e.g., B7 …).

2 Week Development Cycle Reqts

- **Every user story needs at least one associated unit test or integration test.**
- **Comments need to be specified accurately (*e.g.*, using "UT3:2" for unit tests).**
- **All issues/bugs need to be either**
  - Resolved by the end of the cycle

  OR
  - Justification for rescoping

Bugs

- **If a team member checks in code and you notice that it breaks something, you must report it as a bug in the bug tracker (e.g., issues in GitHub)**
  - Issues/bugs should be showing up and getting resolved.
- **Make sure that you provide sufficient information to reproduce the bug**
- **<u>All</u> bugs either**
  - **must be cleaned up by the end of the build cycle**

  OR
  - **used as a rational for rescoping a user story**

2 Week Development Cycle

- **3rd class session:**
  - Initial story implementations turned in (checked into GitHub before class)
  - In-class code reviews of user story implementations
  - Bug/Issue discussions
  - Test skeletons/coverage/strategies
  - Advanced Java/C++/Software Engineering topic introduced (time permitting)
- **4th class session:**
  - Code refactored per code review recommendations (checked into GitHub before class)
  - Binary distributions made available as file releases (checked into GitHub before class)
  - User stories demoed
  - In-class system testing *(performed by non-team members)*

2 Week Development Cycle (3rd Class Session)

- **3rd class session:**
  - Initial story implementations turned in (checked into GitHub before class)
  - In-class code reviews of user story implementations
    - Teams make presentations
    - Any in-cycle refactoring/changes of direction?
    - What (potential) problems are there?
    - Any patterns used?
    - Does all the code relate to the user stories?
  - Bug/Issue discussions
    - Were any bugs found
    - Did any issues or concerns arise while coding?
  - Testing
    - Coverage
    - Skeletons
    - Unit tests, system tests

CIS320 Development Cycle (4th Class Session)

- **4th class session:**
  - MAIN EMPHASIS: In-class system testing
    - One team runs the user stories for another project
  - Code refactored per code review recommendations (checked into Github before class)
    - Teams present refactoring work
    - Briefly describe bugs reported
  - Binary distributions made available as file releases (checked into Github before class)
  - User stories demoed **(as time allows)**
    - Each team demos the user stories for the cycle
  - Lessons learned for projects
  - Lessons learned for cycle
    - Different structure, interaction, format helpful in class

Implementing User Stories

- **Only build the minimum of what is needed to realize the user story.**
- **<u>All</u> code created during the build cycle should be directly traceable back to a user story.**
- **In the 3rd class session, we will do in class code reviews**
  - I will do code reviews for anyone who doesn't have their code reviewed in class
- **Code will need to be refactored by the 4th class session per the code review recommendations.**

Implementing User Stories

- At the beginning, it is ok to "fake" or use mock objects for parts of the implementation

- For example, you may want to fake the communication with a remote server by creating a mock object that automatically returns the expected answers or stock data.

What If I/We Just Can't Get *X* to Work?

- **If you realize that a user story is much harder than expected to implement, don't panic**
  - Discuss the issue with your group and send me email saying that you are going to postpone the user story until the next build cycle.
  - Prioritize your other user stories and finish them.
  - At the latest, you must notify me by the start of class for the 3rd class session.
- **Start early so that you can predict if you aren't going to finish a user story**
- **If you have a midterm, etc. during a build cycle, go easy on yourself and pick easier/fewer user stories**

In-class System Testing

- On the last (i.e., 4th) class session of a build cycle, as time allows we will let each team ***briefly*** demo their working user story implementations
- Groups will then test each others' user story implementations
  - Every group will be required to have a binary distribution that other groups can download to test
  - Groups must have all usage directions posted on their project wiki (*i.e.*, no hand holding)
  - Groups can bring in user surveys to get feedback from users (optional)

Binary Distributions

- **A binary distribution should be a compiled version of the code that can be run fairly easily by a user**

- **Examples:**
  - A jar file, launch script, and instructions (always include a license file, too)
  - A Java launcher
  - An Eclipse plugin distribution
  - A set of project binaries and an ANT file to run them
  - A C++ executable for the target environment
  - Working website

Bi-weekly Grading

- **(16 pts) Were all of the user stories completed or properly postponed?**
- **(16 pts) Were adequate tests created and executed for the code?**
- **(16 pts) Were bugs properly reported and addressed?**
- **(16 pts) Did the new features pass system testing?**
- **(16 pts) Does the code adhere to the development standards and was it refactored after the code review?**
- **Time documented/spent – I will check this from Weekly Hours**
  - 12 hours/2-week cycle is the expected minimum
- ***I reserve the right to change the weighting/grading criteria during the semester**