

Software development activities

- Note “activities” – not “steps”
 - Often happening simultaneously
 - Not necessarily discrete
- 1. Planning: mostly study the requirements
- 2. Domain analysis: study the problem area
- 3. System design: devise computer solution
- 4. Implementation: write the code
- 5. Testing, documentation, maintenance, ...

Software engineering

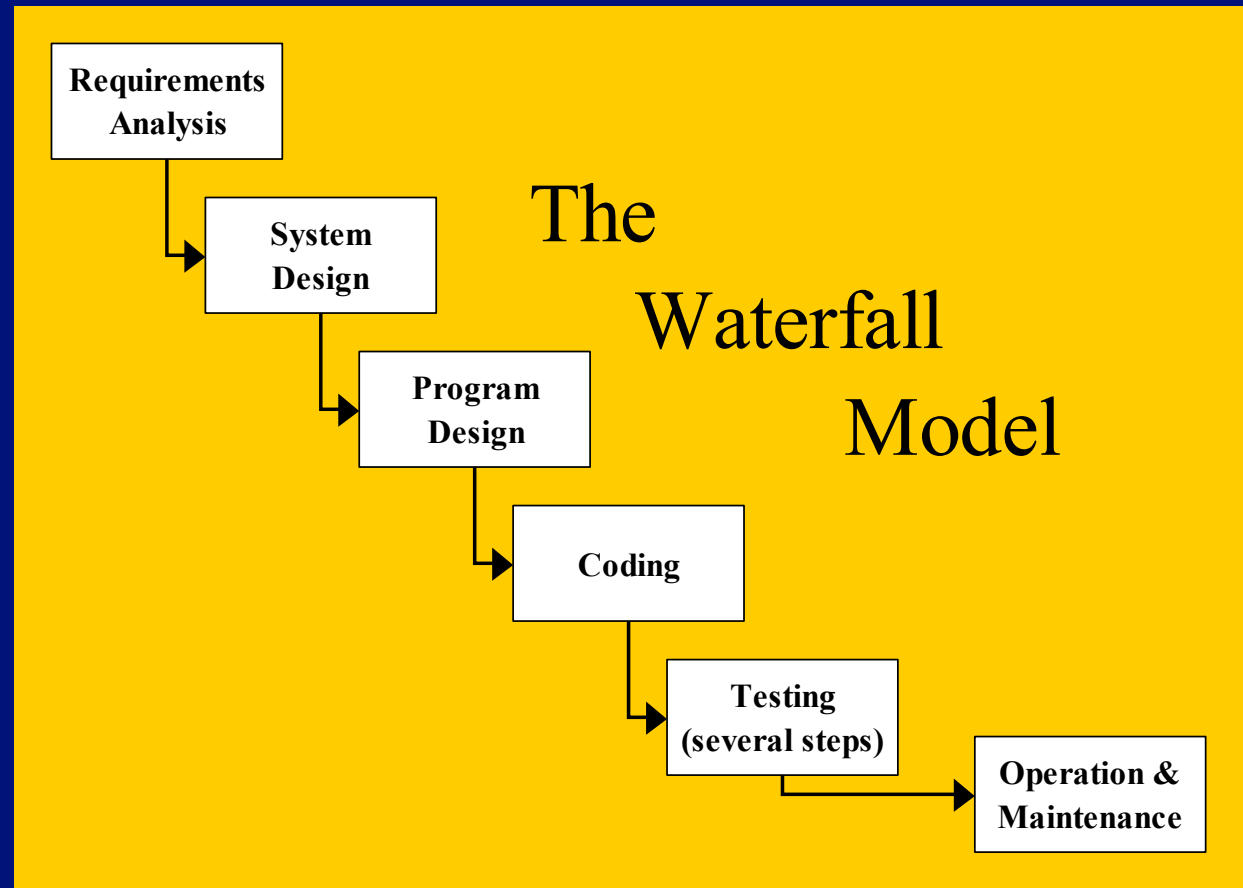
- A subset of system engineering
- Covers all software development activities, planning through maintenance
- Also includes various management tasks
 - Determine project roles, and assign personnel
 - Create and monitor development schedules
 - Some client relations and customer support
- Guided by CS theory
 - But really just heuristics, and often ad hoc

Professional, ethical responsibility

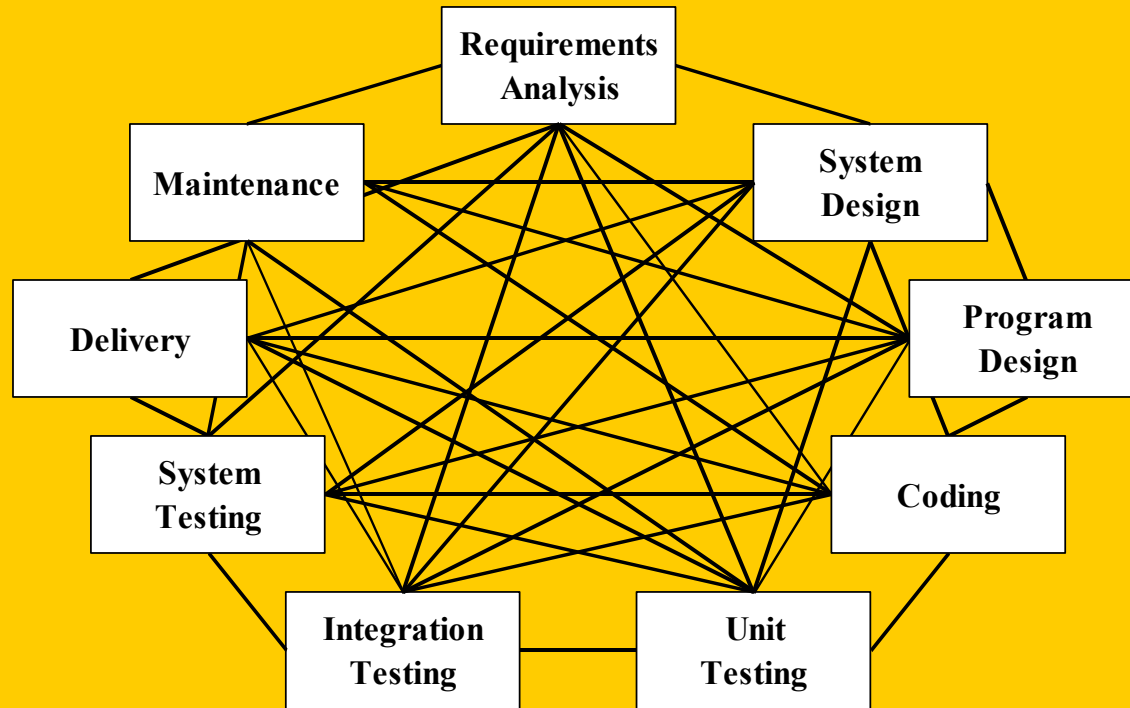
- Above all, do no harm! (Hippocratic Oath)
 - NO VIRUSES or other malicious programs
 - Avoid inventing “the bomb” or a plague, or ...
- Basically demonstrate *loyalty* to employer, clients, co-workers, country, humanity, ...
- See “Software Engineering Code of Ethics and Professional Practice” by ACM/IEEE-CS at <https://www.acm.org/about-acm/code-of-ethics>

Development process modeling

- The classic:
- Step after step, after step, ...
- Never back up



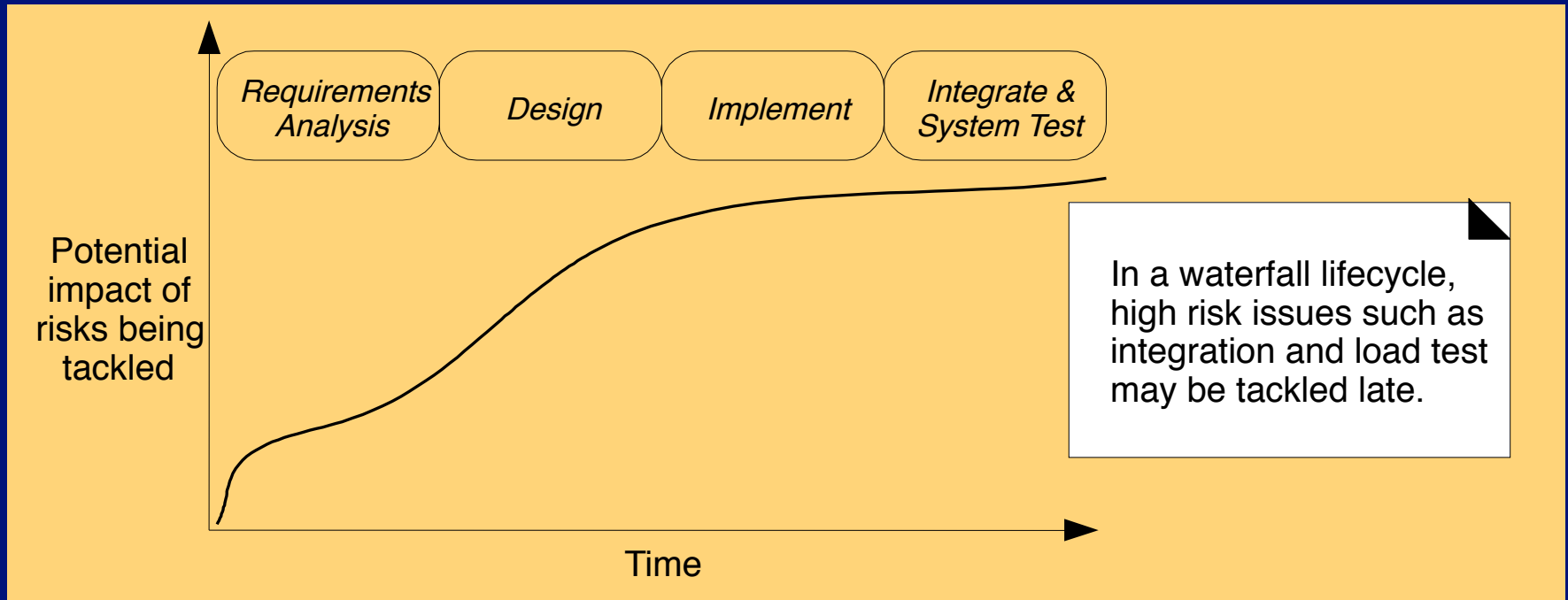
Alternatives to waterfall model



Software Development Reality

- Okay, we all agree – this extreme doesn't work either
- Is there a middle ground?

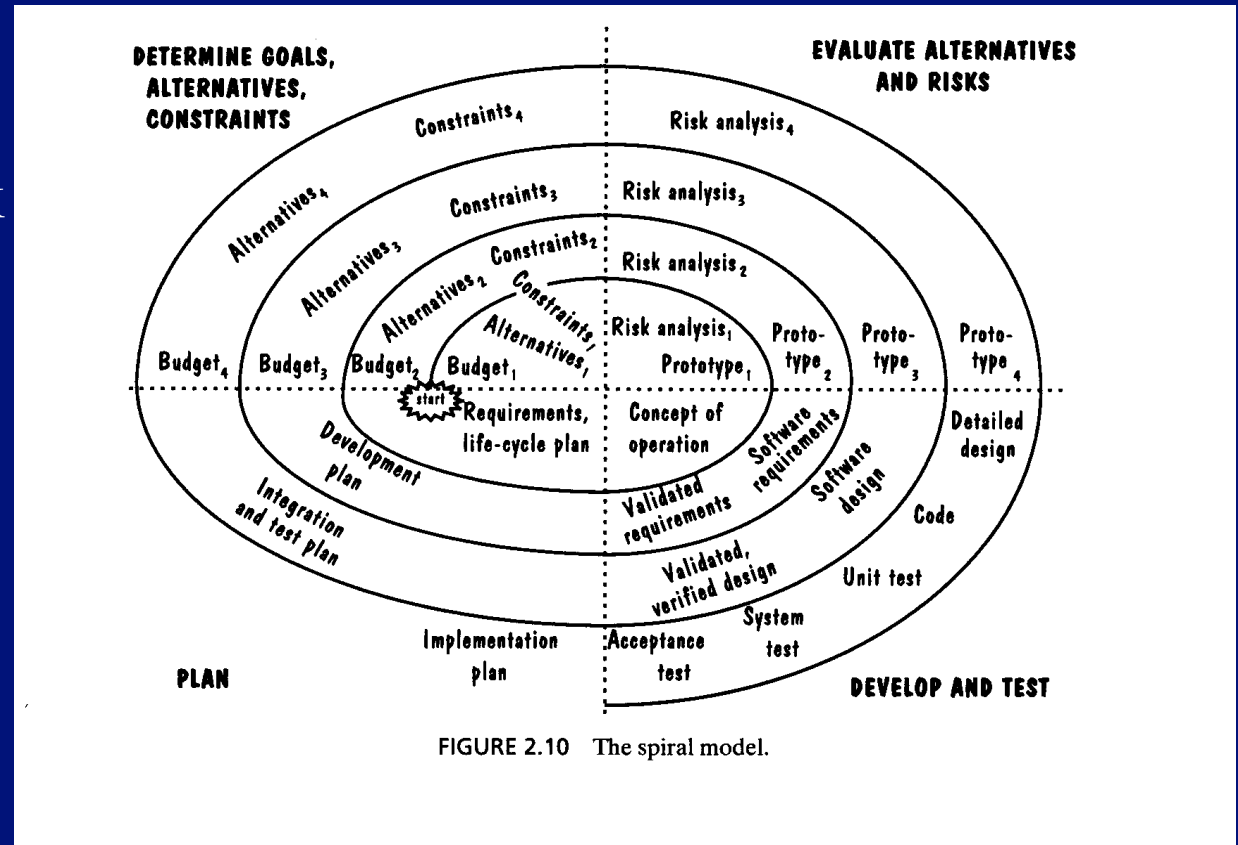
Considering risk



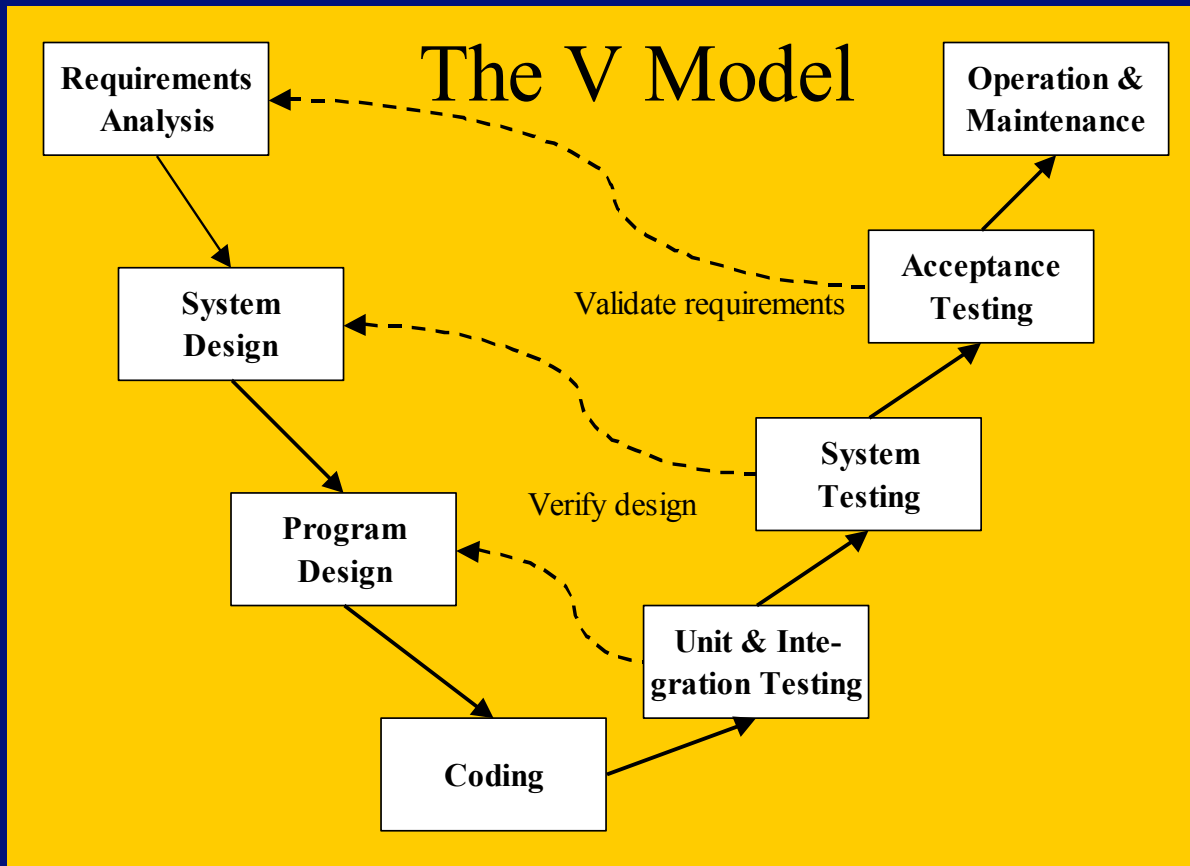
- Research conclusion: it is wise to do some implementing and testing early in the process

Engineering the risk factor

- Spiral Model
 - Includes frequent risk analyses
- Frequent reevaluation during an extended planning stage



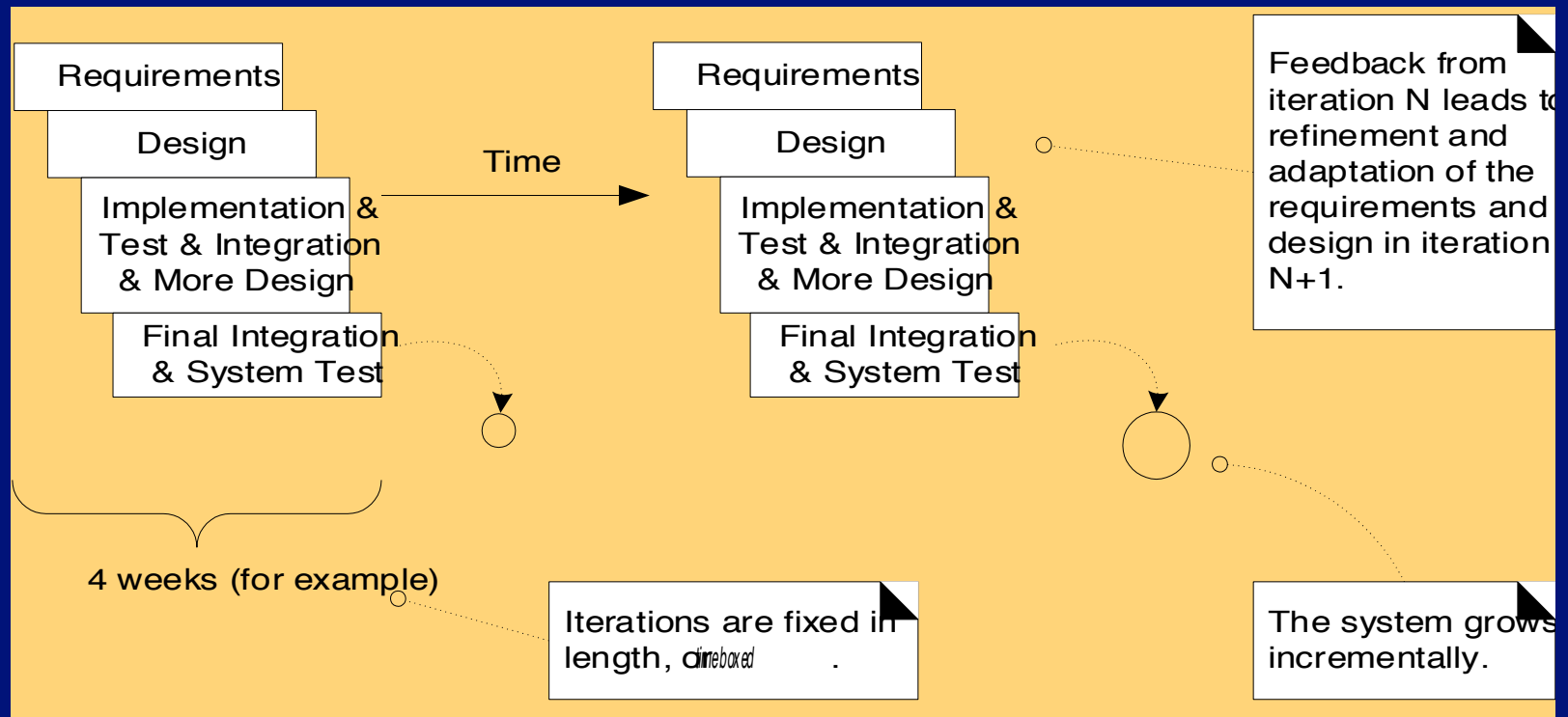
Testing and iterating



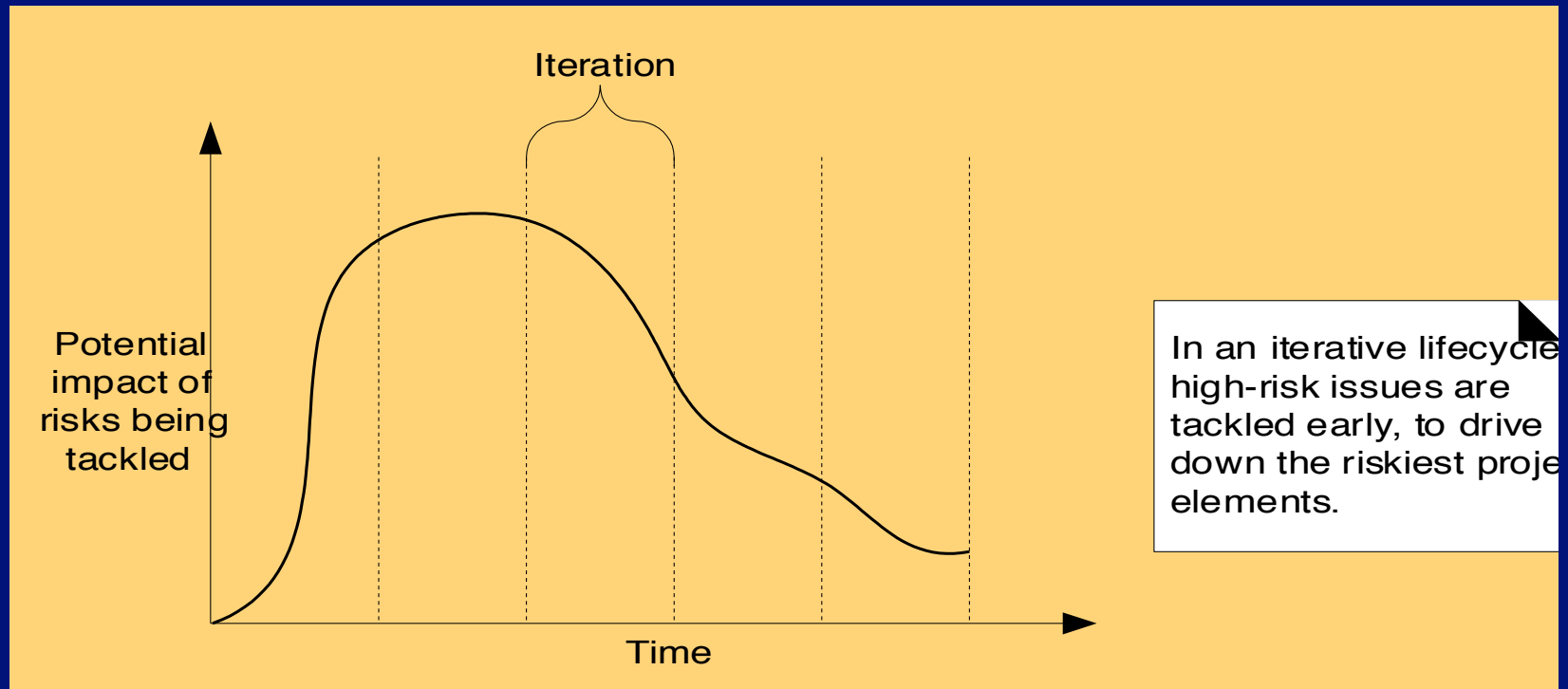
- Accounts for requirement changes and mistakes
- Key idea: plan to iterate
- But still a bit too rigid?

Incremental / iterative process

- Hmm ... a hybrid that makes sense!



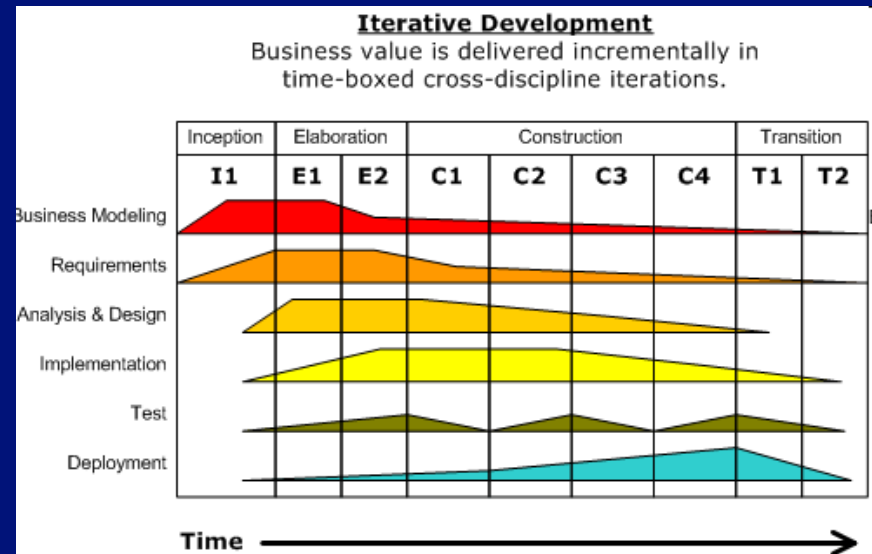
Iterating reduces risk overall



- Especially if thorny issues are tackled early

Unified Process (UP)

- By Rumbaugh, Jacobson, Booch, others
- Iterative and incremental through 4 phases
- Use case driven
- Architecture-centric
- Risk-focused
- UML-heavy
 - Static models
 - Dynamic models



Agile Software Development

- **Agility** – observed to be a common feature of *successful* processes
- Different projects need different processes
- Generally better to focus on skills, communication, and community instead of processes
- Fruitful to consider it “a cooperative game of invention and communication” (Cockburn, 2002)
- See Agile Manifesto: <http://agilemanifesto.org/>
 - And related Principles of Agile Software

Extreme Programming (XP)

- Very popular agile development process today
 - Started by Kent Beck, Agile Alliance member
- Mostly means adhering to some basic principles
 - Client representative on-site
 - Always practice pair programming
 - Perform constant, at least daily testing
 - Keep iterations short, and clearly time-boxed
 - Do frequent, incremental builds
- See www.extremeprogramming.org

About OOA and OOD

- Means: analyzing and designing a system from an **object** perspective

- System composed of objects or concepts

- What things or ideas are involved?
- How do objects/concepts interact?

- Means not: function-oriented

- System composed of processes, functions

- What to do, and how to do it?
- Mostly worry about “flow of control”

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Book Librarian

- **Record loans**
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Doing OOA and OOD

- Not easy to do it well
 - But worth it for: big systems, big teams, long-term productivity (software reuse, etc.)
 - Takes skill: experience, practice, learning
- OOA – investigation of the problem
 - **What** must the system do?
 - Focus on learning the problem *domain*.
- OOD – find solution to the problem
 - **How** will system fulfill requirements?
 - Define logical software objects and associations to solve the problem.

Tools for doing OOA and OOD

- UML – Unified Modeling Language
 - Standardized notation – now well accepted
- CASE tools – computer-aided software engineering tools (like “Rational Rose”)
 - Getting highly sophisticated now
 - Can generate code from modeling diagrams
 - Can do reverse engineering, ...
 - Not necessary for CS 48 (but could help with diagrams, and other requirements) – may cost \$

Start by not even thinking about programming

- *Try* to focus on domain concepts at first
 - Not software constructs (wait until design stage)
 - Avoids complexity overload
 - Design and eventual system will be better too!
- Create and maintain a steady stream of artifacts
 - Mostly pre-programming – diagrams, class specifications, glossary, ...
 - Guides initial implementation, and aids subsequent modification, maintenance, and software reuse

CS 48 development schedule

- Overview: a planning phase, followed by at least 2 complete development iterations
 - each iteration produces a working system
 - Call it “relaxed UP” reflecting agile principles
- Planning phase – Requirements Analysis
 - First be the client – describe the project
 - Then analyze the requirements
 - Itemize system functions and characteristics
 - Write use cases, and assign use cases to development iterations

CS 48 schedule (cont.)

- Early iteration(s) –draft project (report and current system)
 - Analyze the domain pertinent to the iteration
 - Identify classes, class attributes, and associations
 - Identify system behavior (as a “black box”)
 - Design the current system
 - Specify the way objects will behave and interact
 - Tie to other systems/tools as necessary
 - Implement and test
- Complete at least 1 more iteration – final project
 - Analyze/design/implement/test and update documents
 - Also demonstrate system to class during last week of quarter

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Requirements Analysis