Software Verification and Validation (VIMMD052)

Introduction

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Synopsis

- Introduction
- Verification in the requirement phase
- Architecture verification and evaluation
- Verification of the detailed design
 - Classic techniques
 - Formal methods: model checking, equivalence checking
 - Advanced methods: formal verification of extra-functional properties and timed behavior, handling complex designs (large state spaces)
- Verification of the source code
 - Code review, abstract interpretation, symbolic execution
 - Classic techniques of proving program correctness
- Testing and test case generation
 - Test design at unit level
 - Integration and system testing
 - Model based testing and test case generation
- Validation and assessment
- V&V in the maintenance phases
- Integrated approaches



Contents of the lecture

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Expectations

- Service Level Agreements (SLA)
 - Availability (telco servers): 99,999% (5 min/year outage)
- Safety critical systems:
 - Tolerable hazard rate (THR)
 - Safety integrity levels (SIL)

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	SIL	SIL Probability of dangerous failure per hour per safety function		
	1	$10^{-6} \le PFH < 10^{-5}$		
	2	$10^{-7} \le PFH < 10^{-6}$		
	3	10 ⁻⁸ ≤ PFH < 10 ⁻⁷	•	n without
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15 years lifetime:1 failure in case of750 equipment



Different kinds of faults

Development phase

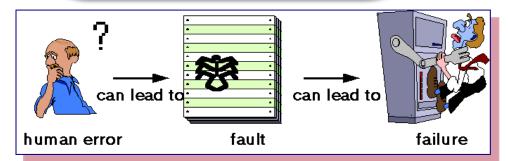
- Specification faults
- Design faults
- Implementation faults

V&V during design

Operational phase

- Hardware faults
- Configuration faults
- Operator faults

Fault tolerance (e.g. redundancy)







Software quality problems

"Defibtech issues a worldwide recall of two of its defibrillator products due to faulty self-test software that may clear a previously detected low battery condition." (February 2007)

"Cricket Communications recalls about 285,000 of its cell phones due to a software glitch that causes audio problems when a caller connects to an emergency 911 call. (May 2008)"

Nissan recalls over 188,000 SUVs to fix brakes (Update) October 23, 2013

Nissan Motor Co. is recalling more than 188,000 Nissan and Infiniti SUVs worldwide to fix faulty brake control software that could increase the risk of a crash.

RECALLS

Feb 12th 2014 at 9:15AM



Toyota recalling 1.9M Prius models globally for software update



Statistics for software projects

- Typical size of code
 - 10 kLOC ... 1000 kLOC
- Development efforts:
 - Big but average software: 0.1 0.5 person months / kLOC
 - Safety critical software: 5-10 person months / kLOC
- Fault removal (review, testing, corrections):
 - 45 75% of the whole development efforts
- Change of fault density
 - 10 200 faults / kLOC occurring during development



0.1 - 10 faults / kLOC before operation



How many bugs do we have to expect?



How many "Bugs" do we have to expect?

- Typical production type SW has 1 ... 10 bugs per 1.000 lines of code (LOC).
- Very mature, long-term, well proven software: 0,5 bugs per 1.000 LOC
- Highest software quality ever reported :
 - Less than 1 bug per 10.000 LOC
 - At cost of more than 1.000 US\$ per LoC (1977)
 - US Space Shuttle with 3 m LOC costing 3b US\$ (out of 12b\$ total R&D)
 - → Cost level not typical for the railway sector (< 100€/LoC)</p>
- Typical ETCS OBU kernel software size is about 100.000 LOC or more
 - That means: 100 ... 1.000 undisclosed defects per ETCS OBU
 - Disclosure time of defects can vary between a few days thousands of years

Source: K-R. Hase: "Open Proof in Railway Safety Software", FORMS/FORMAT Conference, December 2-3, 2010, Braunschweig, Germany



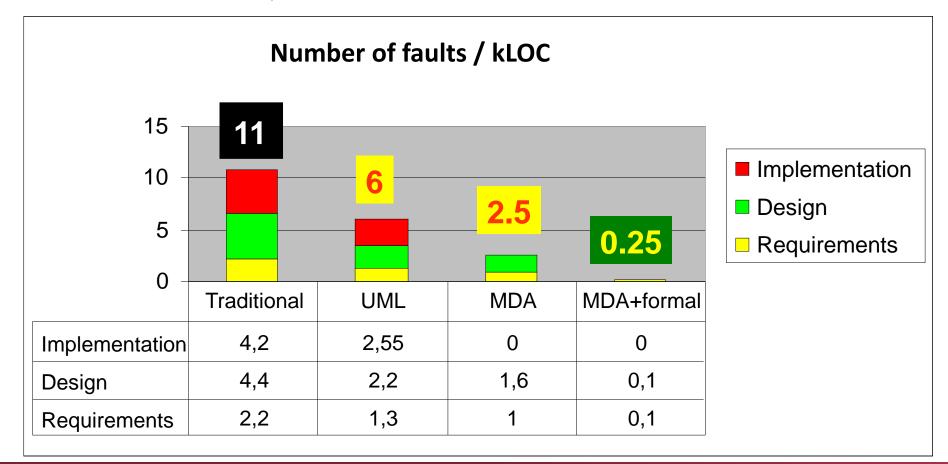
A study in Hungary

Number of faults in 1 kLOC (embedded software):

Manual development and testing: ~ 10 faults

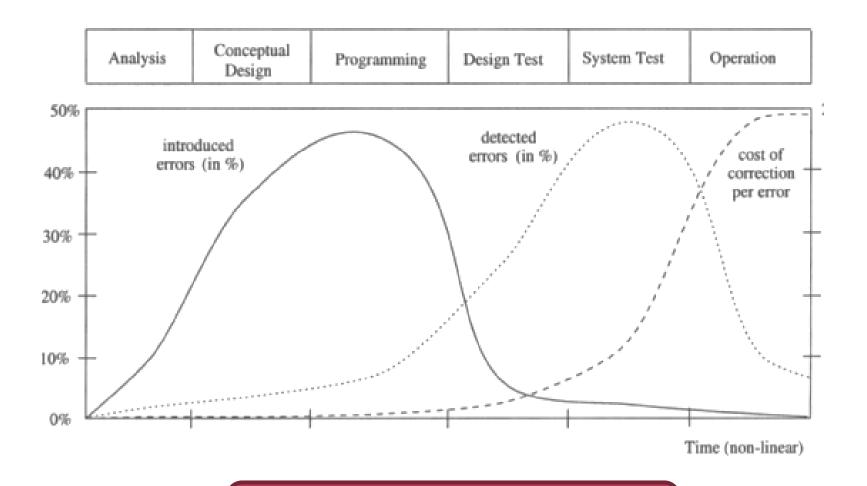
Tool-supported automated development: ~ 1-2 faults

Automated development with formal methods: < 1 faults





Distribution and cost of bugs



Early V&V reduces cost!



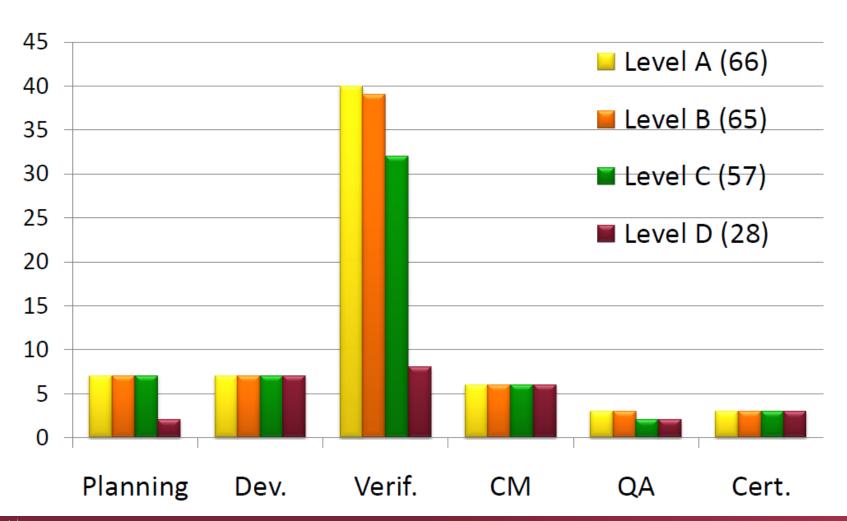
V&V: Verification and Validation

Verification	Validation
"Am I building the system right?"	"Am I building the right system?"
Check correctness and consistency of development phases	Check the result of the development
Conformance of designs/models and their specification	Conformance of the (finished) system and the user requirements
Objective (based on facts); can be automated	Subjective (influenced by user expectations); checking acceptance
Fault model: Design and implementation faults	Fault model: problems in the requirements are also included
Not needed if implementation is automatically generated from specification	Not needed if the specification is correct (very simple)



Example: Development of flight control SW

Objectives Distribution in DO-178B





Overview of the techniques of software V&V

What are the typical techniques in the development process?



Who is concerned by V&V?

System Engineer

Verifying requirement specification

Architect, Designer

Modeling and verifying designs

Developer, Coder

• Verifying source code, unit testing

Test Designer

Designing test processes and techniques

Test Engineer

• Test automation, integration and system tests

Safety Engineer

Assessment w.r.t. development standards



What are the typical development steps?

Requirement analysis

System specification

Architecture design

Module design

Module implementation

System integration

System delivery

Operation, maintenance

System Engineer

Architect, Designer

Developer, Coder

Test Designer, Test Engineer Schedule and sequencing depends on the lifecycle model (see later)



Requirement analysis

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System specification

Architecture design

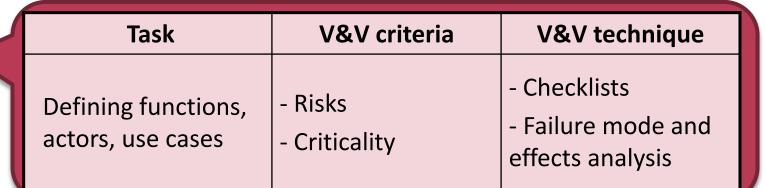
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Module implementation

> **System** integration

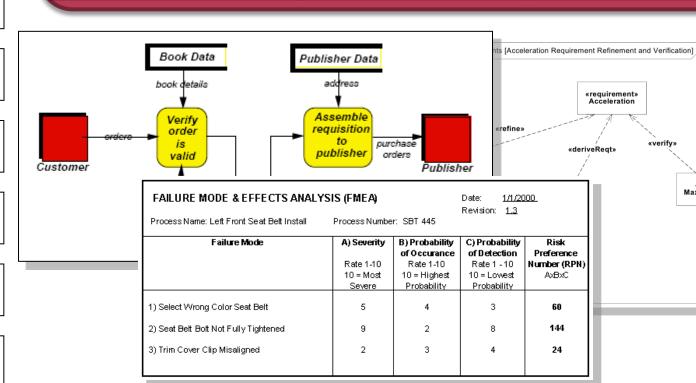
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Operation, maintenance



«verify»

«testCase» Max Acceleration





System specification

Requirement analysis

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Architecture design

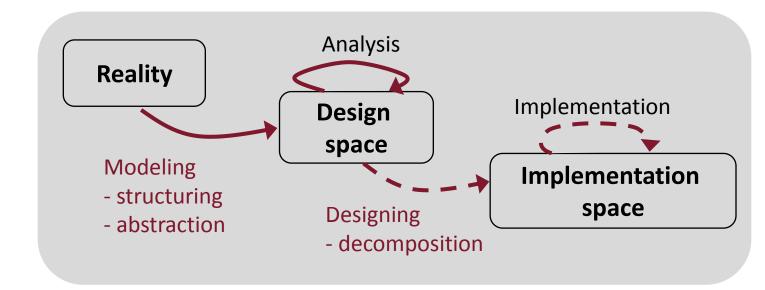
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Module implementation

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System delivery

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Defining functional and non-functional requirements	CompletenessConsistencyVerifiabilityFeasibility	ReviewsStatic analysisSimulation





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Review:

- 1. Assembling a checklist
- 2. Presentation by the developer
- 3. Answering the questions of reviewers
- 4. Discussion, preparing the review report

Types of peer review:

- Round robin: Different leader for reach module
- Walkthrough: The developer "guides" the reviewers
- Inspection: Based on a (formal) checklist



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Example: Specification of an access control system (in Event-B):

Persons: $prs \neq 0$, $p \in prs$ (set) Buildings: $bld \neq 0$, $b \in bld$ (set)

Authorization: $aut \in prs \leftrightarrow bld$ (binary relation)

Situation: $sit \in prs \rightarrow bld$ (complete function)

Invariant: sit ⊆ aut

An event (change of situation):

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pass = ANY p,b WHERE (p,b) \in aut \land sit(p) \neq b
THEN sit(p) := b END
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Automated analysis is possible: Checking invariant for each event



Architecture design

Requirement analysis

System specification

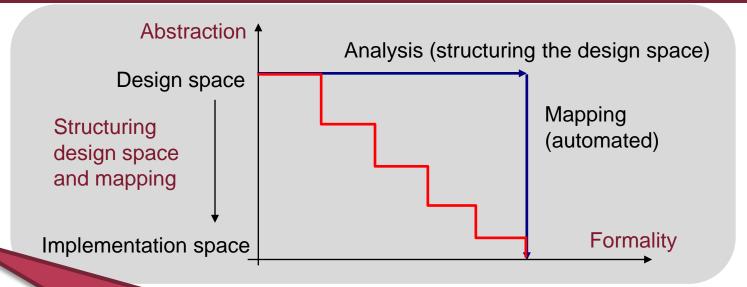
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Task	V&V criteria	V&V technique
- Decomposing	- Function coverage	- Static analysis
modules	- Conformance of	- Simulation
- HW-SW co-design	interfaces	- Performance,
- Designing	- Non-functional	dependability,
communication	properties	security analysis



Module design (detailed design)

Requirement analysis

System specification

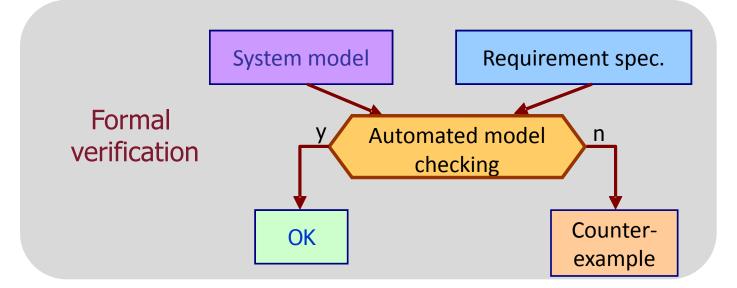
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Task	V&V criteria	V&V technique
- Designing detailed	- Correctness of	- Static analysis
behavior	critical internal	- Simulation
(data structures,	algorithms and	- Formal verification
algorithms)	protocols	- Rapid prototyping



Module implementation

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Task	V&V criteria	V&V technique
- Software implementation	Code is - Safe - Verifiable - Maintainable	Checking coding conventionsCode reviewsStatic code analysis
- Verifying module implementation	- Conformance to module designs	- Unit testing- Regression testing



System integration

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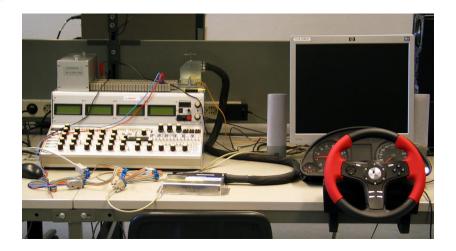
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Task	V&V criteria	V&V technique
Integrating modulesIntegrating SW with HW	Conformance of integrated behaviorCorrect communication	- Integration testing (incremental)





System delivery and deployment

Requirement analysis

System specification

Architecture design

Module design

Module implementation

System integration

System delivery

Task	V&V criteria	V&V technique
- Assembling complete system	- Conformance to system specification	System testingMeasurements,monitoring
- Fulfilling user expectations	- Conformance to requirements and expectations	Validation testingAcceptance testingAlfa/beta testing



Operation and maintenance

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Module implementation

System integration

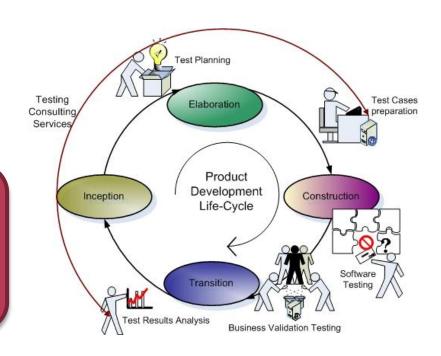
System delivery

Operation, maintenance

Tasks during operation and maintenance:

- Failure logging and analysis (for failure prediction)
- V&V of modifications depending on the affected life cycle phases

"Mini-lifecycle" for each modification





Development life cycle models

What is the role of V&V in the different life cycle models?

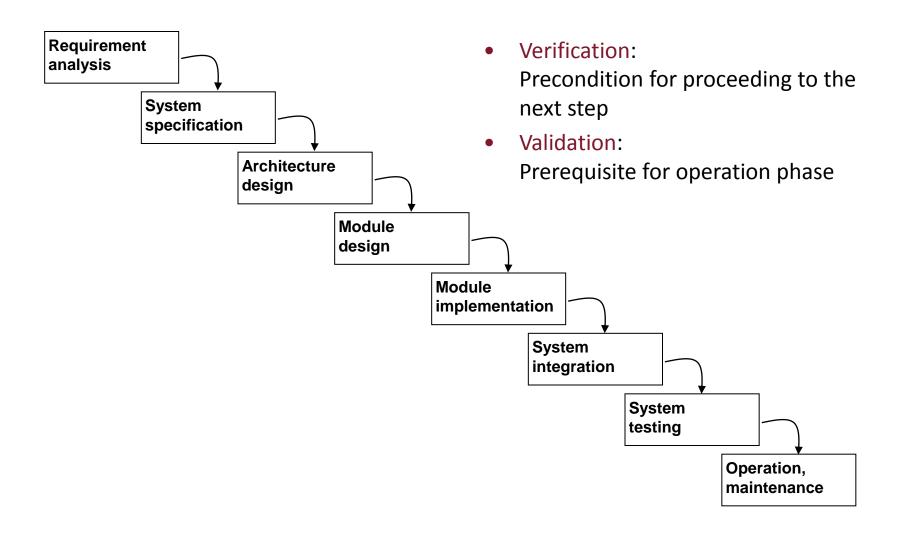


Development life cycle models

- The role of life cycle models
 - Handling the complexity of development
 - Dividing the development into phases, milestones
 - Basis for distributed / concurrent design and then integration
 - Change management
 - Handling the effects of requirement changes, modification and maintenance
 - Introduction of new methods and tools
- Generic models of software development:
 - Sequential development: Waterfall and V-model
 - Evolutionary development: Rapid application development
 - Iterative development: Spiral model
 - Model based (formal) development: 4G model
 - Iterative-incremental development: Unified Process

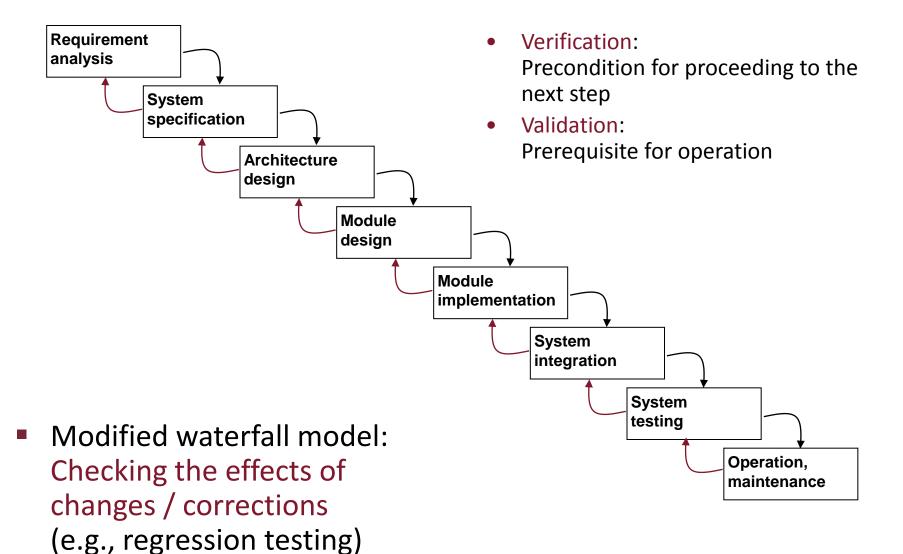


1. Waterfall model



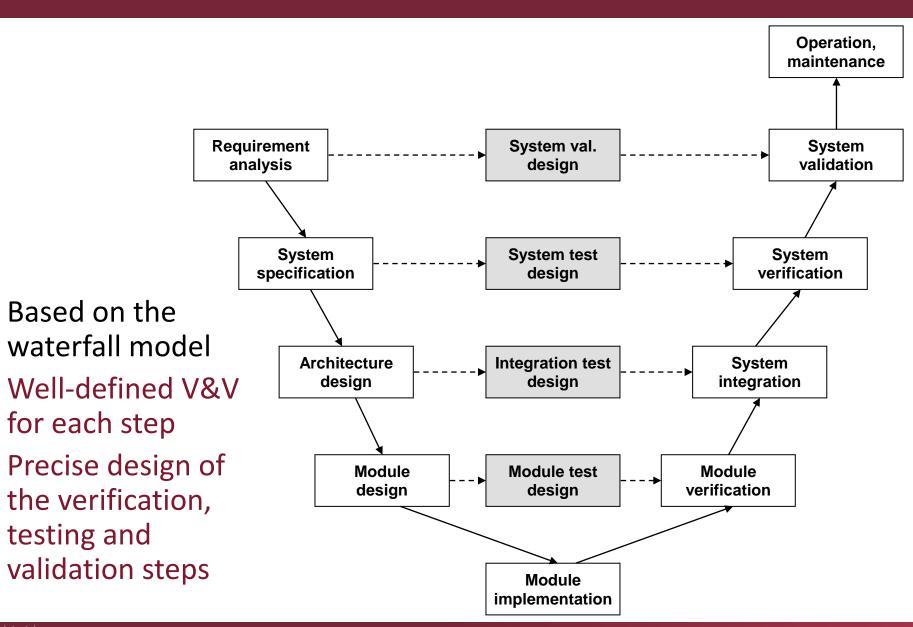


1. Waterfall model





2. The V-model





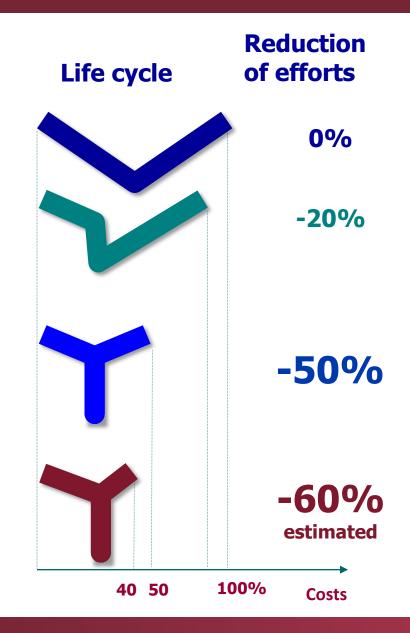
Model based design: From V to Y model

Manual coding

"Common" automated code generator is used

Certified automated code generator is used

Design using formal methods and tools





Classic method: Cleanroom Software Engineering

Origin:

- IBM proposal (1980s)
- US military developments (1990s)

Goal:

- Verification based on formal models
- Fault avoidance instead of removal

Principles:

- Use and verification of formal models
- Incremental development with quality control (step-by-step increase of complexity)
- Statistical testing based on formal models
 - Selecting the representative trajectories
 - Manual validation of modeling



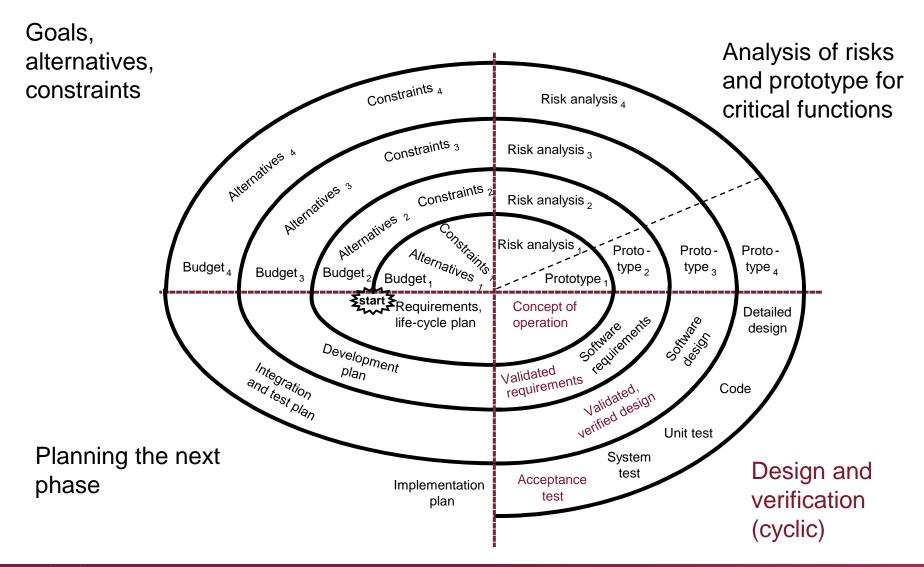


3. Evolutionary development (RAD)

- Rapid development of an initial implementation then refinement through several versions, based on user feedback
 - Explorative development: Discussed with users
 - First version: Based on known requirements
 - Rapid prototypes for the critical functions
 - Validation using the prototype, re-working the prototype
 - Can be applied in case of incompletely specified systems
- V&V characteristics:
 - Increased role of prototype testing
 - Increased role of integration testing
 - Adding new functions
 - Regression testing after modifications
 - Existing functions remain correct



4. Iterative development: Spiral model

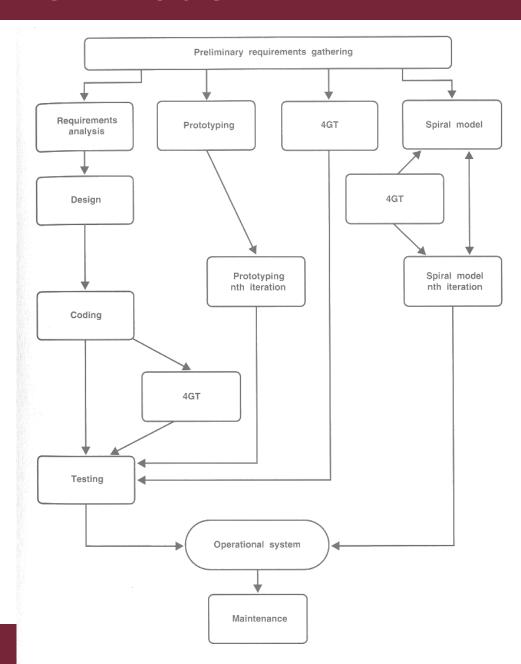




5. The "4G" model

Integration:

- Well-specified requirements: "Traditional" development
- Incompletely specified requirements:
 Rapid prototype development
- Formally specified requirements:
 Model based development (with CASE tools), property preserving refinement
- Iterative design
- Model based verification

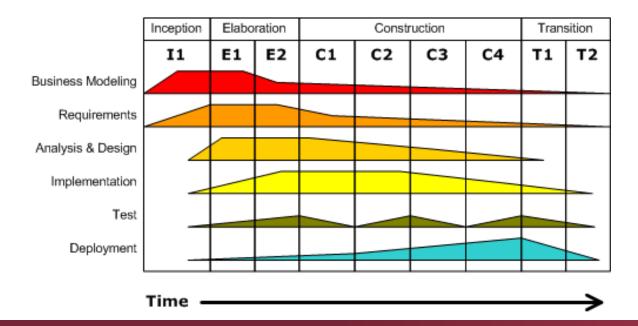




6. Unified Process

Requirements Analysis & Design
Implementation
Planning
Deployment
Planning
Evaluation
Testing

- Incremental and iterative
 - Phases divided into iterations (bound in time)
 - Each iteration is a complete (mini) development cycle
 - Different focus of verification in each phase
 - Integration and regression testing is important





7. Agile software development

Extreme Programming

- Short iterations, focusing on operational code, regular (daily) integration and status tracking (developers, users)
 - Build frameworks
- "Test first programming" concept:
 - Functional tests based on "story card"
 - Testing after each modification (new function)

Test Driven Development

- Incremental, steps for each new function:
 - 1. Writing test for the new function (test will fail)
 - 2. Coding (for successful test)
 - 3. Refactoring of the code with re-testing
- Uses automated unit testing



The role of development standards

How systematic V&V is realized?



Use of standards: Safety critical systems

Standards for development

- IEC 61508: Functional safety in electrical / programmable electronic systems
- o EN 50128: Railway control software
- ISO 26262: Automotive software
- DO 178B: Airborne software

Specification of safety functions

- Functionality: Intended to achieve or maintain a safe state
- Safety integrity: Probability of a safety-related system satisfactorily performing the required safety functions (under all stated conditions and within a stated period of time)

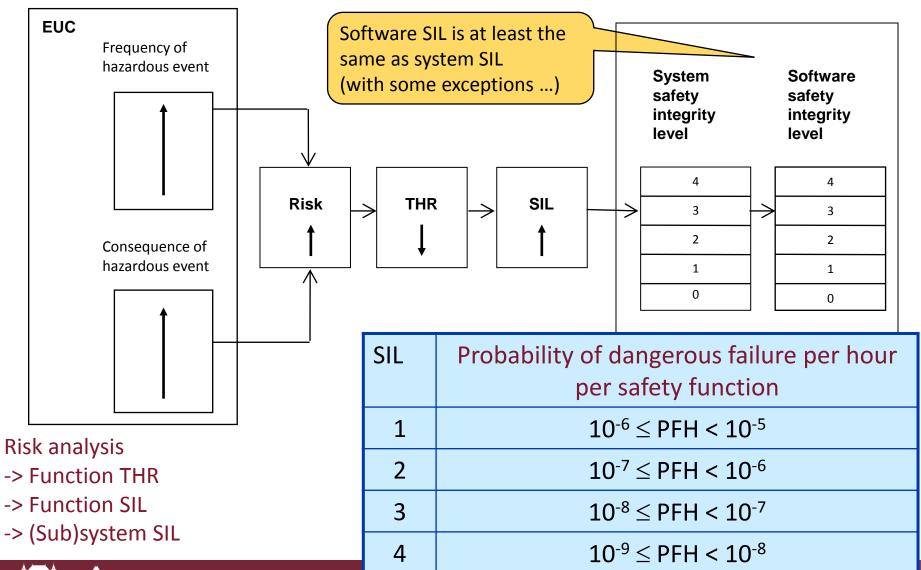
Safety integrity levels

- Safety integrity assignment to functions: Based on risk analysis (of failures)
 - Continuous operation: Tolerable rate of failures
 - On demand operation: Tolerable probability of failure
- Tolerable Hazard Rate:
 - Categories based on numerical ranges: SIL 1, 2, 3, 4



Determining SIL

Hazard identification and risk analysis -> Target failure measure





Demonstrating SIL requirements

Safety case:

- Documented demonstration that the product complies with the specified safety requirements (functional + safety integrity)
- Evidence is based on verification and validation
- Random failure integrity (for hardware):
 - Quantitative approach: Based on statistics, experiments
 - Computation of system failure rate using component fault rate data from reliability handbooks
- Systematic failure integrity (for software):
 - Quantitative approach is not possible (missing reliability data)
 - Qualitative approach: Prescribing rigor in the development
 - 1. Well-defined development process (life cycle)
 - 2. Mandatory / recommended techniques and measures
 - 3. Organizational structure: Independence of persons / roles
 - 4. Precise documentation

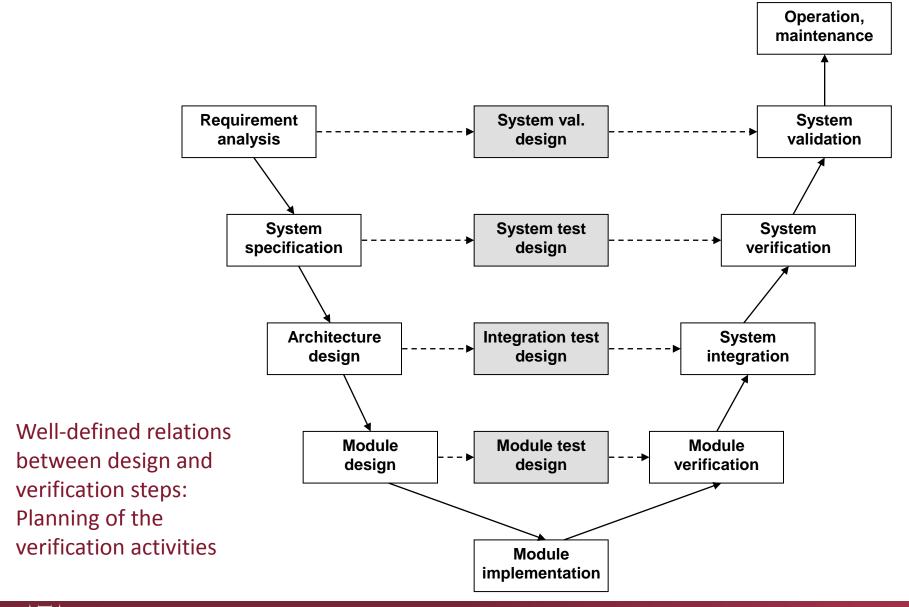


1. The development process (life cycle)

- Typically a static development process (e.g., V-model)
 - Well-defined steps
 - Requirements and environment known in advance
- Strict rules for proceeding to the next step:
 Important to verify the results of development
 - High costs of late corrections (esp. during operation)
 - The risk caused by remaining failures may be high
- Characteristics:
 - Evidences collected for the safety case
 - Assessment (independent review)
 - Certification and supervision by safety authorities, based on the development standard



Typical life-cycle model: V-model





2. Techniques and measures

- Goal: Preventing the introduction of systematic faults and controlling the residual faults
- SIL determines the set of techniques to be applied as
 - M: Mandatory
 - HR: Highly recommended (rationale behind not using it should be detailed and agreed with the assessor)
 - R: Recommended
 - ---: No recommendation for or against being used
 - NR: Not recommended
- Combinations of techniques is allowed
 - E.g., alternative or equivalent techniques are marked
- Hierarchy of techniques (references to sub-tables)



Example: Testing techniques (EN 50128)

Software design and implementation:

TECH	INIQUE/MEASURE	Ref	SWS ILO	SWS IL1	SWS IL2	SWS IL3	SWS IL4
14.	Functional/ Black-box Testing	D.3	HR	HR	HR	М	М
15.	Performance Testing	D.6	-	HR	HR	HR	HR
16.	Interface Testing	B.37	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR

Functional / black box testing (D3):

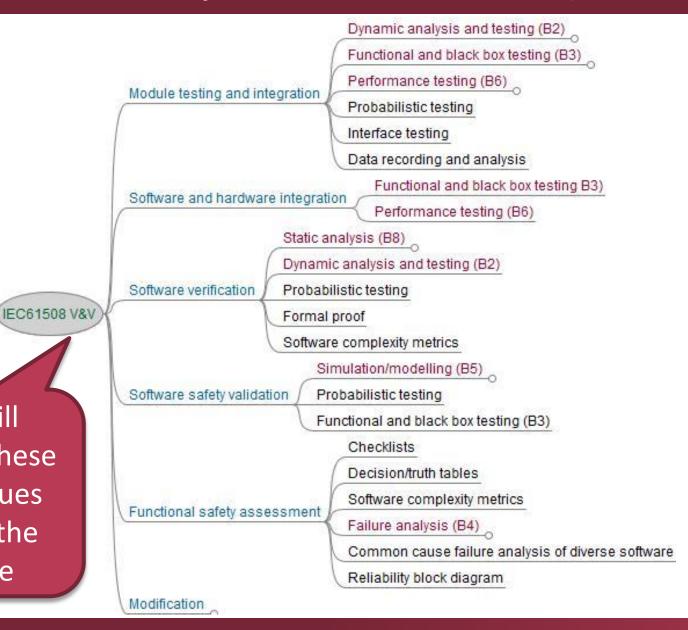
1.	Test Case Execution from Cause Consequence Diagrams	B.6	-		-	R	R
2.	Prototyping/Animation	B.49	-	-	-	R	R
3.	Boundary Value Analysis	B.4	R	HR	HR	HR	HR
4.	Equivalence Classes and Input Partition Testing	B.19	R	Ħ	HR	HR	HR
5.	Process Simulation	B.48	R	R	R	R	R



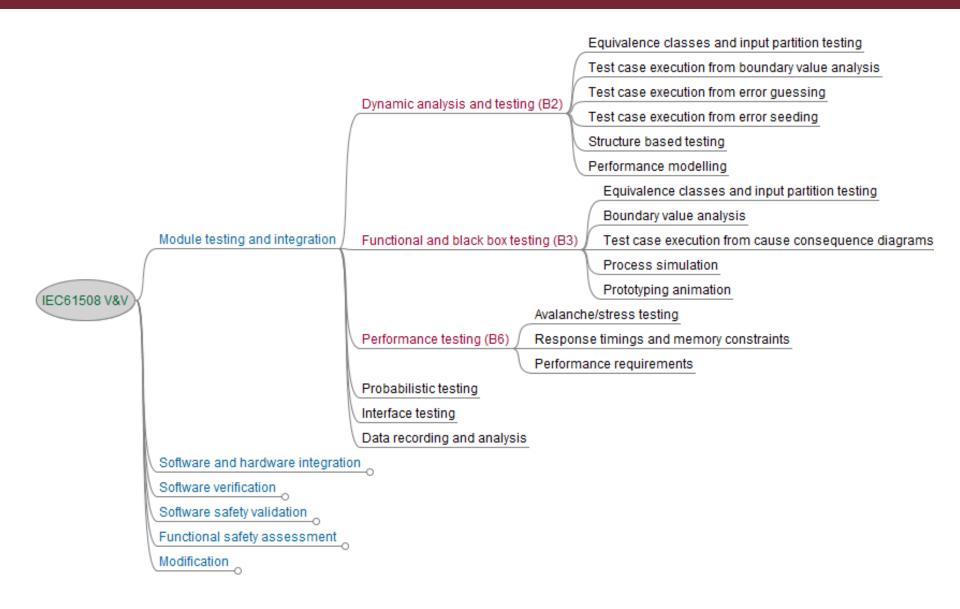
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Performance testing (D6):

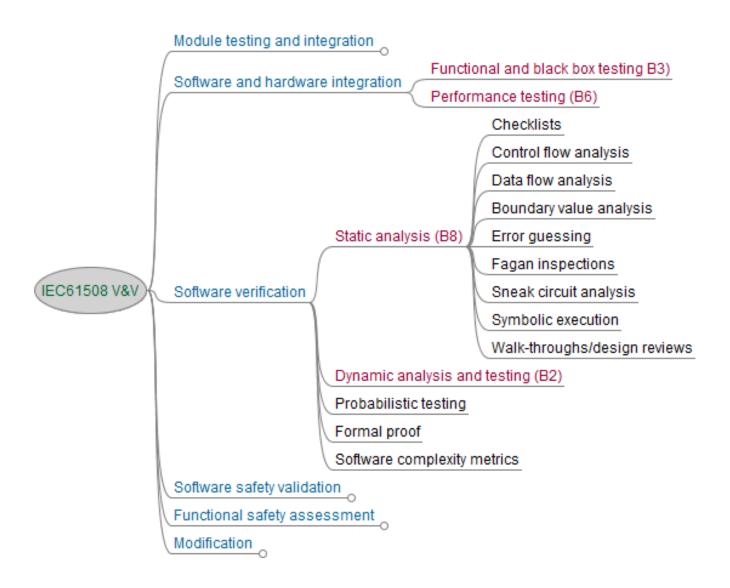
TECHNIQUE/MEASURE		Ref	SWS	SWS IL1	SWS IL2	SWS IL3	SWS IL4
1.	Avalanche/Stress Testing	B.3	-	R	R	HR	HR
2.	Response Timing and Memory Constraints	B.52	-	HR	HR	HR	HR
3.	Performance Requirements	B.46	-	HR	HR	HR	HR



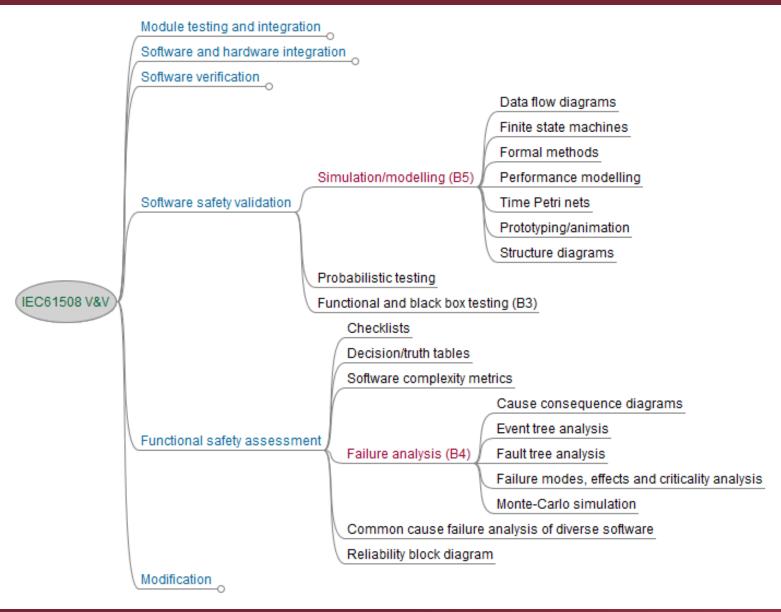
We will discuss these techniques during the course













3. Precise documentation

- Type of documentation
 - Comprehensive (overall lifecycle)
 - E.g., Software Verification Plan
 - Specific (for a given lifecycle phase)
 - E.g., Software Source Code Verification Report
- Document Cross Reference Table
 - Determines documentation for a lifecycle phase
 - Determines relations among documents
- Traceability of documents is required
 - Relationship between documents is specified ("based on", "includes")
 - Terminology, references, abbreviations are consistent
- Merging documents is allowed
 - If responsible persons (authors) shall not be independent



Example: Document structure (EN50128)

Software Maintenance Phase System Development Phase Software Maintenance Records System Requirements Specification Software Change Records System Safety Requirements Specification **Software Planning Phase** System Architecture Description Software Development Plan System Safety Plan **Software Assessment Phase** Software Quality Assurance Plan Software Assessment Report Software Configuration Management Plan Software Verification Plan Software Requirements Spec. Phase Software Integration Test Plan Software Requirements Specification **Software Validation Phase** Software/hardware Integration Test Plan Software Requirements Test Specification Software Validation Report Software Validation Plan Software Requirements Verification Report Software Maintenance Plan **Software/hardware Integration Phase** Software/hardware Integration Test Report **Software Architecture & Design Phase Software Integration Phase** Software Architecture Specification Software Integration Test Report Software Design Specification Software Architecture and Design Verification Report 30 documents in a systematic structure Specification **Software Module Design Phase Software Module Testing Phase** Software Module Design Specification Software Module Test Report Design Software Module Test Specification Software Module Verification Report Verification **Coding Phase** Software Source Code & Supporting Documentation



Software Source Code Verification Report

Example: Document cross reference table (EN50128)

- Creation of a document
- Use of a document in a given phase

clause	e 8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16			
title	SRS	SA	SDD	SVer	S/H I	SVal	Ass	Q	Ma			
PHASES (*)=in parallel with other phases										DOCUMENTS		
SW REQUIREMENTS		٠	•	٠	•	٠	•			Sw Requirements Specification		
				•	•	•	•			Sw Requirements Test Specification		
										Sw Requirements Verification Report		
SW DESIGN			•	•	•	•	•			Sw Architecture Specification		
				•	•	•	٠			Sw Design Specification		
										Sw Arch. and Design Verification		
SW MODULE DESIGN				•	•	•	•			Sw Module Design Specification		
				•	•	•	•			Sw Module Test Specification		
										Sw Module Verification Report		
CODE				•	•	•	•			Sw Source Code		
						•	•			Sw Source Code Verification Report		
MODULE TESTING				•						Sw Module Test Report		
SW INTEGRATION										Sw Integration Test Report		
										Data Test Report		
SW/HW INTEGRATION										Sw/Hw Integration Test Report		
VALIDATION (*)										Sw Validation Report		

4. Organization and independence of roles

- Safety management
 - Quality assurance
 - Safety Organization (responsible persons)
- Competence shall be demonstrated
 - Training, experience and qualifications



DES: Designer (analyst, architect, coder, unit tester)

VER: Verifier

VAL: Validator

ASS: Assessor

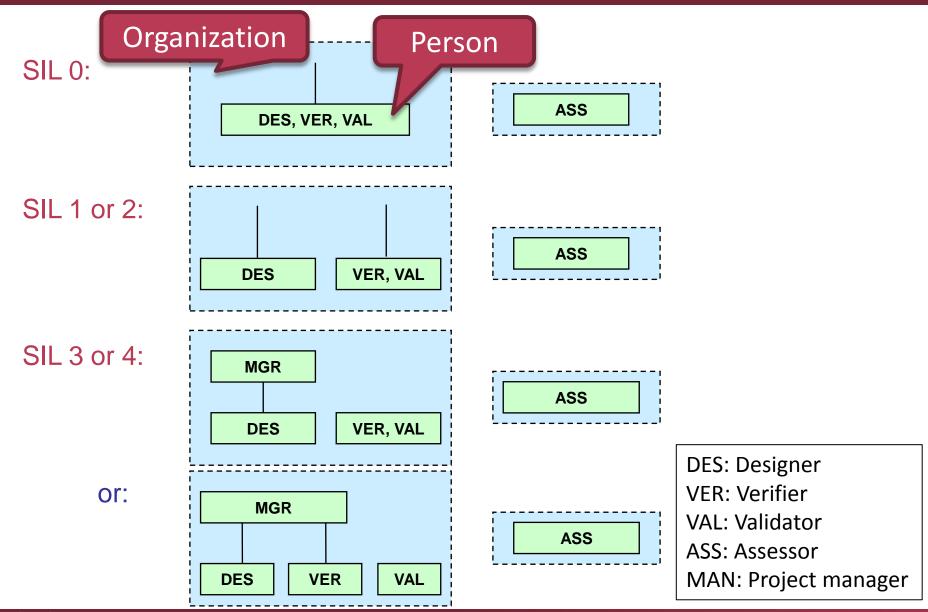
MAN: Project manager

QUA: Quality assurance personnel





Example: Responsibilities (EN 50128)





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