Notes

CSC144 Software Architecture

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• Fred Brooks

- Worked at IBM
- Was in charge of the IBM 360 project
- drew lessons from his experience
- e.g., hiring more people might slow rather than speed up progress!
- Wrote the essay titled The Mythical Man-Month
- The essay was later developed into a book

• Waterfall model

- sequential, assumes that we can know requirements at the start
- Requirements Analysis (What do the people want?)
- Specifications (quantify requirements)
- Design
- Coding
- Test Run (lots of testing)
- Release the beast and teach
- maintenance (the hard stuff)
- Run it till the wheels fall off

• Agile

- get something in the hands of customers as quickly as possible—"minimum viable product (MVP)"
- short deadlines—2 weeks
- Simplicity for the masses to modify for constant optimization
- Frequent feedback
- Testing and coding begin simultaneously
- Small teams (two pizzas make a team)