- Systems Analysis and Design
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## **Learning Resources**

|            | ■ Modern System Analysis & Design- Jeffrey Hpffer, Joey George,                         |
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| Textbook   | Joseph Valacich, 6 <sup>th</sup> edition, Pearson, (Available in Prince Mishal Library) |
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|            |   |
| Other      | ■"Systems Analysis and Design", (latest edition), Kendall & Kendall,                    |
| References | Prentice-Hall   |
|            |   |

#### **Evaluation Scheme**

| Components        | Weight |
|-------------------|--------|
| Class Test        | 30%    |
| Midterm           | 20%    |
| Final Examination | 50%    |

### **Course Summary**

- Introduction and SDLC
- System Development in an Organizational Context
- Managing the Information System Projects
- Determining System Requirements
- Analyzing System Process Requirements
- Object Oriented Analysis and Design: Use cases
- Object Oriented Analysis and Design: Activity Diagrams
- Object Oriented Analysis and Design: Sequence Diagrams
- Object Modeling: Class Diagrams
- Designing Database, Forms & Reports Design
- Systems Repository, Implementing and Maintaining the System

#### Introduction

Systems Analysis and Design (SAD) is a process of

planning and developing high quality and new business

Information Systems (IS) which

combines Information Technology (IT),

People and

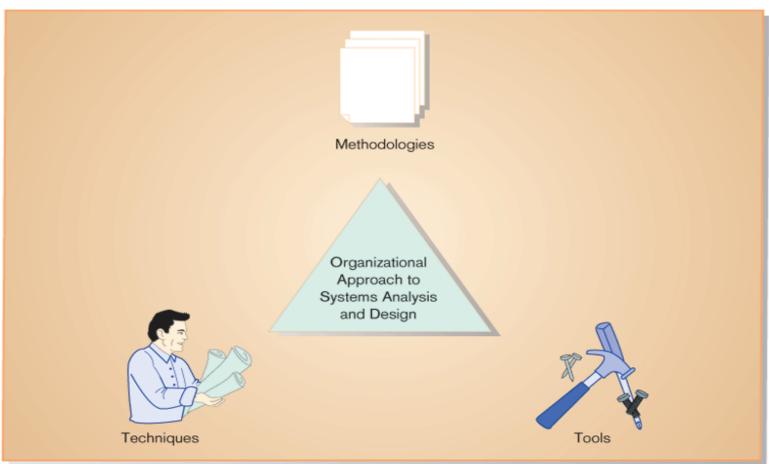
Data to support business requirements.

#### Introduction

- Information Systems Analysis and Design: Complex organizational/business process whereby computer-based information systems are developed and maintained.
- Application Software: Computer software designed to support organizational functions or processes.
- **Systems Analyst:** the people/person who Performs Organizational role the most responsible for analysis and design of information systems

### Introduction (cont.)

**Figure 1-1** An organizational approach to systems analysis and design is driven by methodologies, techniques, and tools.



## Information—A Key Resource

- Fuels business and can be the critical/key factor in determining the success or failure of a business
- Information needs to be managed correctly,
   carefully
- Managing computer-generated information differs from handling manually produced data

## Roles of the Systems Analyst

- The analyst must be able to work with people of all descriptions and be experienced in working with computers.
- Three primary roles:
  - Consultant
  - Supporting expert
  - Agent of change

### Qualities of the Systems Analyst

- Problem solver
- Communicator
- Strong personal and professional ethics
- Self-disciplined and self-motivated

# Systems Development Life Cycle (SDLC) (Prof. Hoffer)

- SDLC is the traditional methodology for developing, maintaining, and replacing information systems
- Phases in SDLC:
  - Planning
  - Analysis
  - Design
  - Implementation
  - Maintenance

# Standard and Evolutionary Views of SDLC

Figure 1-3 The systems development life cycle

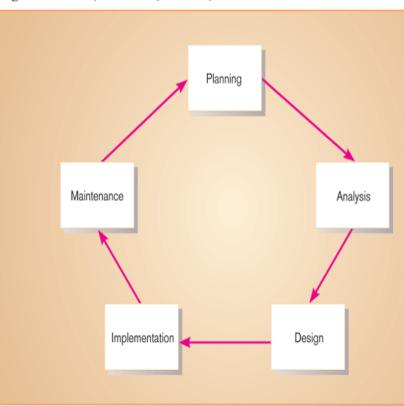
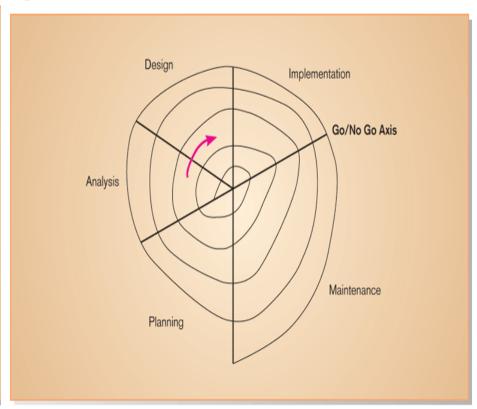
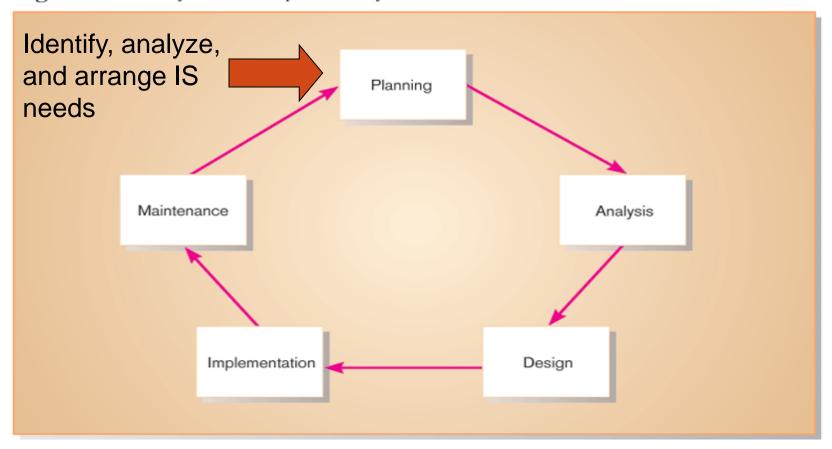


Figure 1-4 Evolutionary model SDLC



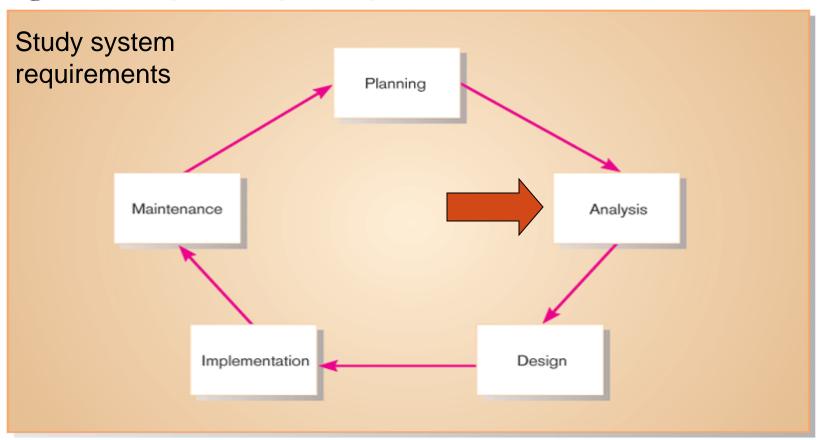
### SDLC Planning Phase

**Figure 1-3** The systems development life cycle



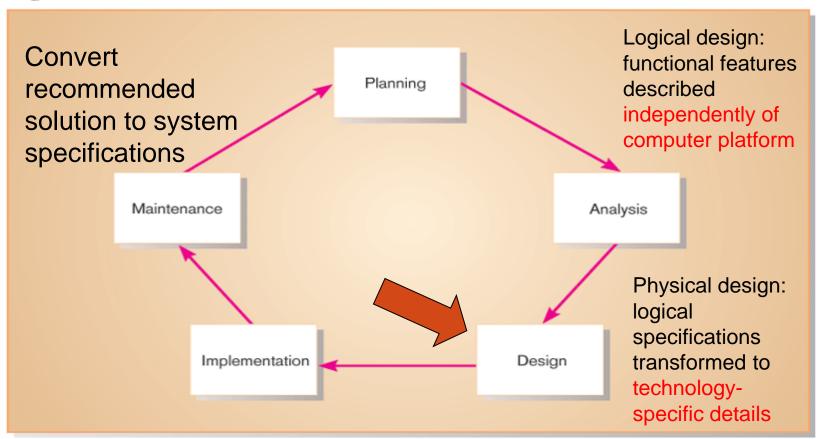
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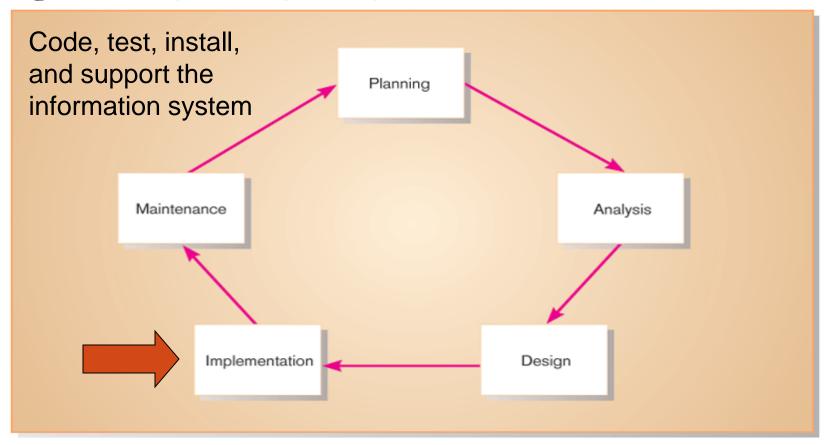
### SDLC Design Phase

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### SDLC Implementation Phase

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#### SDLC Maintenance Phase

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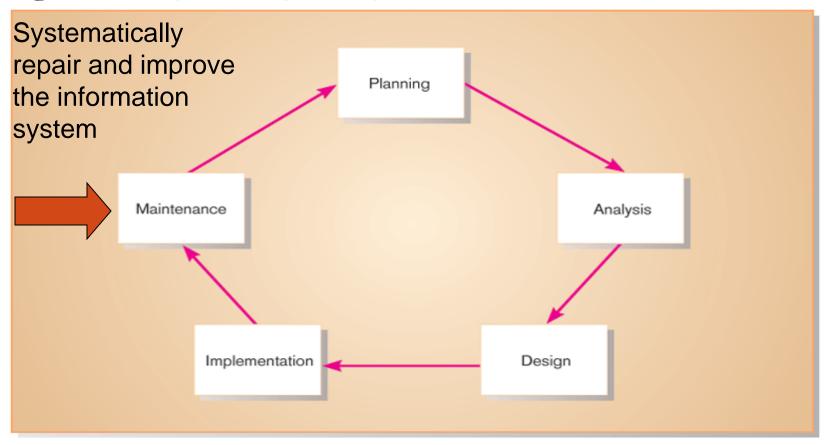
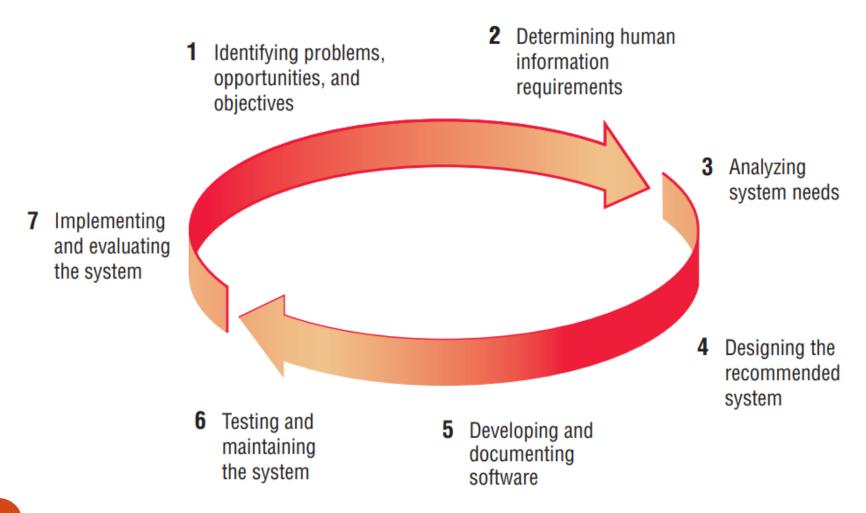


Table 1-2 Products of SDLC Phases

| Phase          | Products, Outputs, or Deliverables   |
|----------------|--|
| Planning       | Priorities for systems and projects; an architecture for data, networks, and selection hardware, and IS management are the result of associated systems; |
|                | Detailed steps, or work plan, for project;   |
|                | Specification of system scope and planning and high-level system requirements or features;   |
|                | Assignment of team members and other resources;  |
|                | System justification or business case  |
| Analysis       | Description of current system and where problems or opportunities are with a general recommendation on how to fix, enhance, or replace current system;   |
|                | Explanation of alternative systems and justification for chosen alternative  |
| Design         | Functional, detailed specifications of all system elements (data, processes, inputs, and outputs);   |
|                | Technical, detailed specifications of all system elements (programs, files, network, system software, etc.);   |
|                | Acquisition plan for new technology  |
| Implementation | Code, documentation, training procedures, and support capabilities   |
| Maintenance    | New versions or releases of software with associated updates to documentation, training, and support   |

- Traditional methodology for developing, maintaining, and replacing information systems
- Phases in SDLC:
  - Identifying problems
  - Determining requirements
  - Analysis systems need
  - Design the systems
  - Development and documentation
  - Testing and maintenance
  - Implementation



#### **Identifying Problems, Opportunities, and Objectives**

In this first phase of the systems development life cycle, the analyst is concerned with **correctly identifying problems**, **opportunities**, and **objectives**. This stage is critical to the success of the rest of the project, because no one wants to waste subsequent time addressing the wrong problem.

The people involved in the first phase are the users,

analysts, and systems managers coordinating the project.

#### **Determining Requirements**

In the information requirements phase of the SDLC, the systems

analyst determines what information users need to

perform their jobs.

At this point the analyst is examining how to make the system

useful to the people involved.

#### **Determining Requirements**

The **people involved in this phase** are the <u>analysts and users</u>, <u>typically operations</u> <u>managers and operations workers</u>.

The systems analyst needs to know the details of current system functions:

who (the people who are involved),

what (the business activity),

where (the environment in which the work takes place),

when (the timing), and

how (how the current procedures are performed)

why the business uses the current system.

There may be good reasons for doing business using the current methods, and these should

1-24 considered when designing any new system.

#### **Systems Analysis**

At this point in the SDLC, the systems analyst prepares a systems proposal that summarizes what has been found out about the users, usability, and usefulness of current systems; provides costbenefit analyses of alternatives; and makes recommendations on what (if anything) should be done. If one of the recommendations is acceptable to management, the analyst proceeds along that course. Each systems problem is unique, and there is never just one correct solution.

#### **Designing the Systems**

In the design phase of the SDLC, the **systems analyst uses the information collected earlier to accomplish the design** of the information system.

The analyst designs procedures for users to help them accurately enter data so that data going into the information system are correct.

In addition, the analyst provides for users to complete effective input to the information system by using techniques of good form and Web page or screen design.

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#### Developing and Documenting Software

In the fifth phase of the SDLC, the analyst works with **programmers** to develop any original software that is needed.

During this phase the analyst works with **users** to develop effective documentation for software, including procedure manuals, online help, and Web sites featuring Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), on Read Me files shipped with new software.

#### Testing and Maintaining the System

Before the information system can be used, it must be tested. It is much less costly to catch problems before the system is signed over to users.

Maintenance of the system and its documentation begins in this phase and is carried out routinely throughout the life of the information system.

Implementing and Evaluating the System

In this last phase of systems development, the analyst helps implement the information system.

This phase involves training users to handle the system.

In addition, the analyst needs to plan for a smooth conversion

from the old system to the new one. This process includes

converting files from old formats to new ones, or building a

database, installing equipment, and bringing the new system into

production

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The systems development life cycle: is a systematic approach to solving business problems.

#### Reasons for enhancement the system:

- > Adding additional features.
- > Requirements change over time
- Technology H\W and S\W change rapidly.

#### Alternatives to Traditional SDLC

- CASE tools
- Agile Methodologies
- Object oriented method

#### **CASE Tools**

- Computer-Aided Software Engineering
- Software tools providing automated support for systems development
- <u>Case tools</u>: a software package for system analysis and design .
- Reasons for using case tools:
- Increase analyst productivity.
- Facilitate communication.
- Continuity between phases.
- Assess the impact of maintenance.

#### Case Tool Classifications

Upper CASE tools perform analysis and design.

Lower CASE tools generate programs from CASE design.

### Upper CASE Tools

Create and modify the system design.

Help in modeling organizational requirements and defining system boundaries.

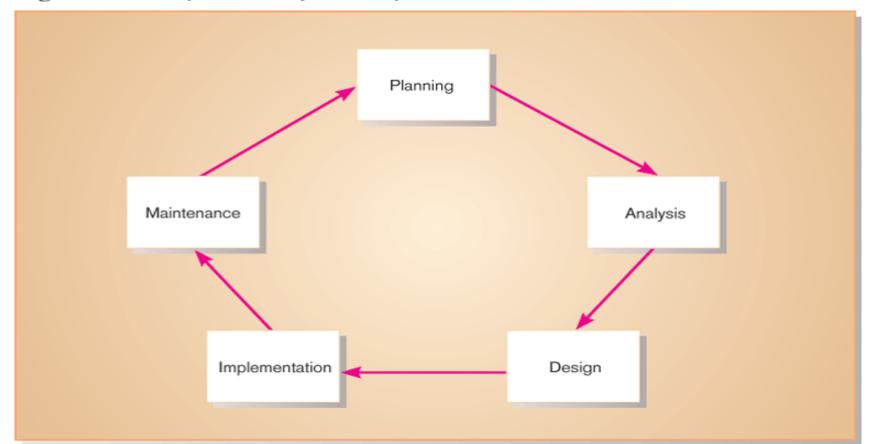
#### Lower CASE Tools

- Lower CASE tools generate computer source code from the CASE design.
- Source code is usually generated in several languages.
- Decreases maintenance time
- Generates error-free code

#### SDLC and its alternative methods

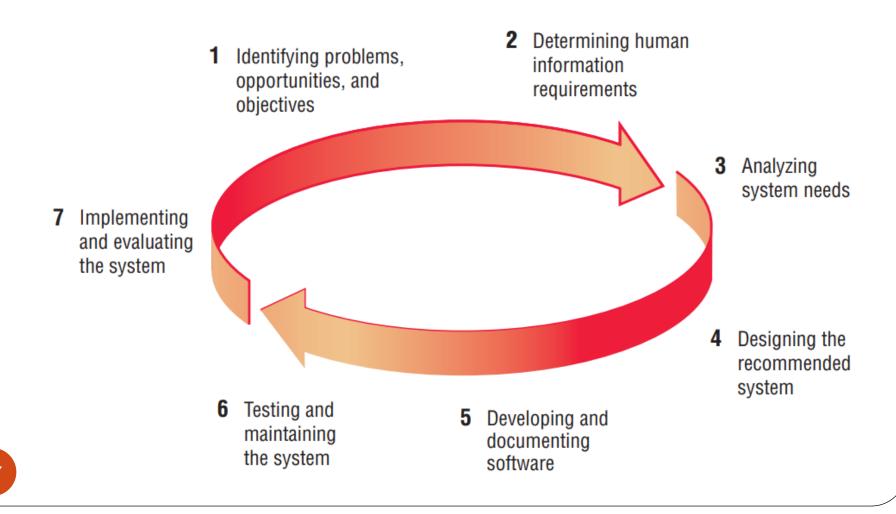
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#### The Agile Approach/Method

In software/systems development, **agile** approaches involve discovering requirements and developing solutions through

- ☐ the collaborative effort of self organizing and
- □ cross-functional teams and their customer(s)/end user(s).

#### The Agile Approach/Method

#### Agile method supports

- \* adaptive planning (having an ability to change to suit changing conditions),
- evolutionary development (the gradual development of information systems projects),
- early delivery,and
- continual improvement

#### The Agile Approach/Method

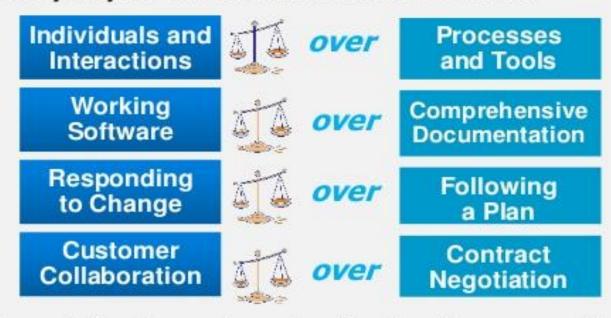
Agile approach encourages flexible responses to change

based on

- > values,
- > principal
- > core practices/
- > methodology

#### Agile Values (from the Agile Manifesto)

The **Agile Manifesto** establishes a set of **four values** that are **people-centric** and **results-driven**:



That is, while there is value in the items on the right, we value the items on the left *more*.

(www.agilemanifesto.org)

# Applying Agile Principles

In Software Development





Customer satisfactions



Changing requirements



Frequent delivery



Communicate regularly



Support team member



Face-to-face communication



Measure work progress



Development process



Good design



Measure progress

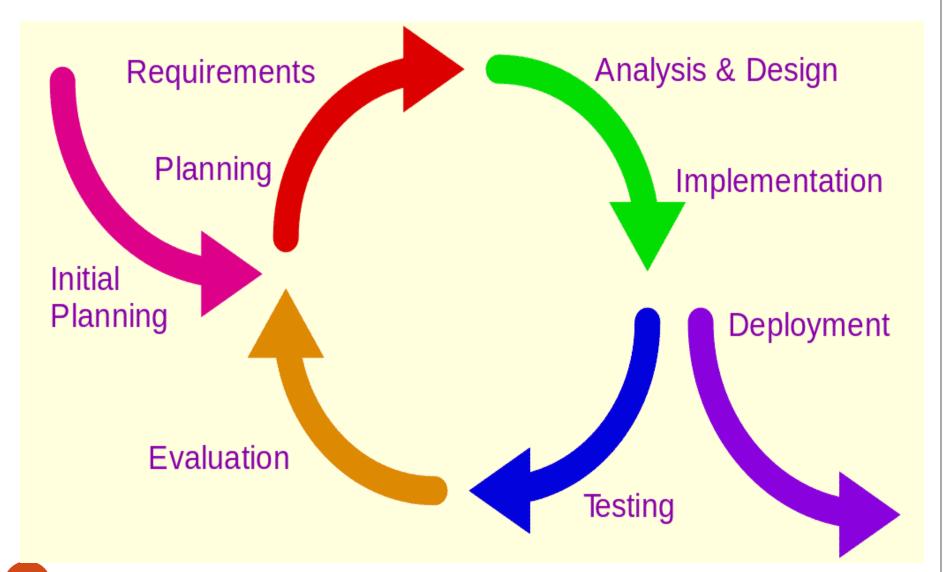


Continue seeking result



Reflect and adjust regularly

#### 5 Agile development best practices





#### Four Agile Resources

Resources are adjusted to ensure successful project completion.

- **✓** Time
- **✓** Cost
- **✓** Quality
- ✓ Scope

#### Object-Oriented (O-O) Systems Analysis and Design

- Alternate approach to the structured approach of the SDLC that is intended to facilitate the development of systems that change rapidly in response to dynamic business environments
- Analysis is performed on a small part of the system followed by design and implementation.
- The cycle repeats with analysis, design, and implementation of the next part and this repeats until the project is complete.
- Examines the objects of a system

# Unified Modeling Language (UML) Phases

- Define the use case model:
  - Use case diagram
  - Use case scenarios
- Create UML diagrams.
- Develop class diagrams.
- Modify the UML diagrams.
- Develop and document the system.

## Choosing a Method

- Choose either:
  - SDLC
  - Agile
  - Object-oriented methodologies

#### Object-Oriented Analysis and Design

- Based on objects rather than data or processes
- Object: a structure encapsulating attributes and behaviors of a real-world entity
- Object class: a logical grouping of objects sharing the same attributes and behaviors
- Inheritance: hierarchical arrangement of classes enable subclasses to inherit properties of superclasses

#### When to Use SDLC

- Systems have been developed and documented using SLDC.
- It is important to document each step.
- Upper level management feels more comfortable or safe using SDLC.
- There are adequate resources and time to complete the full SDLC.
- Communication of how new systems work is

## When to Use Agile

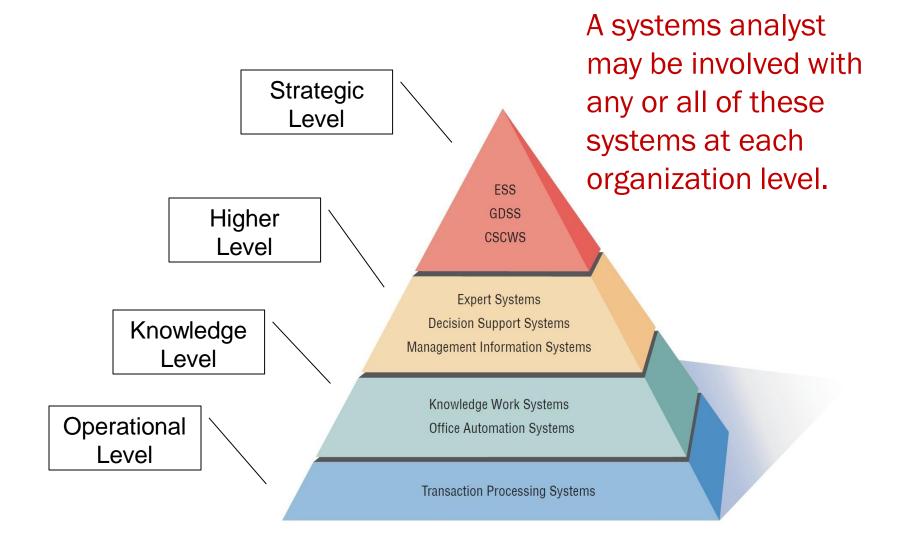
- There is a project champion of agile methods in the organization.
- Applications need to be developed quickly in response to a dynamic environment.
- A rescue takes place (the system failed and there is no time to figure out what went wrong).
- The customer is satisfied with incremental improvements.
- Executives and analysts agree with the principles of agile methodologies.

### When to Use Object-Oriented

- The problems modeled lend themselves to classes.
- An organization supports the UML learning.
- Systems can be added gradually, one subsystem at a time.
- Reuse of previously written software is a possibility.
- It is acceptable to tackle the difficult problems first.

#### Different Types of Information Systems

- Transaction Processing Systems (TPS)
- Office Automation Systems (OAS)
- Knowledge Work Systems (KWS)
- Management Information Systems (MIS)
- Decision Support Systems (DSS)
- Expert Systems (ES)
- Executive Support Systems (ESS)
- Group Decision Support Systems (GDSS)
- Computer-Supported Collaborative Work Systems (CSCWS)



## **Operational Level**

#### **Transaction Processing System (TPS)**

- Process large amounts of data for routine business transactions
- Support day-to-day operations of the company
- Examples: Payroll Processing, InventoryManagement

## Knowledge Level

- Office Automation System (OAS)
  - Supports data workers who share information, but do not usually create new knowledge
  - Examples: word processing, spreadsheets, desktop publishing, electronic scheduling, communication through voice mail, email, teleconferencing
- Knowledge Work System (KWS)
  - Supports professional workers such as scientists, engineers, and doctors
  - Examples: computer-aided design systems, virtual reality systems, investment workstations

## Higher Level

- Management Information System (MIS)
  - Supports organizational tasks including decision analysis and decision making
  - Examples: profit margin by sales region, expenses vs. budgets
- Decision Support System (DSS)
  - Supports decision makers in the making of decisions
  - Examples: financial planning with what-if analysis, budgeting with modeling
- Expert System (ES) and Artificial Intelligence
  - Captures and uses the knowledge of an expert for solving a particular problem which leads to a conclusion or recommendation

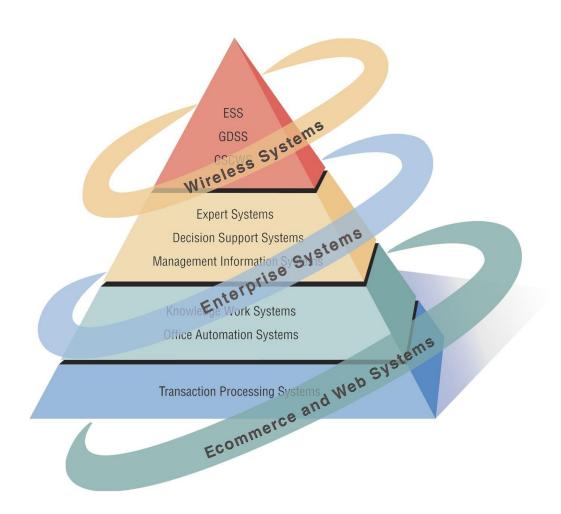
## Strategic Level

- Executive Support System (ESS)
  - Helps executives to make unstructured strategic decisions in an informed way
    - Examples: drill-down analysis, status access
- Group Decision Support System (GDSS)
  - Permit group members to interact with electronic support.
  - Examples: email, Lotus Notes
- Computer-Supported Collaborative Work System (CSCWS)
  - CSCWS is a more general term of GDSS.
  - May include software support called *groupware* for team collaboration via network computers
  - Example: video conferencing, Web survey system

## Integrating New Technologies into Traditional Systems

- Ecommerce systems
- Web based SW development Systems
- Wireless communication systems
- Mobile application SW/Systems
- Enterprise resource planning systems (Oracle, Performs integration of many information systems existing on different management levels and within different functions)
- <sup>61</sup>pen Source Software need for Systems Analysis and Design

Systems Analysts Need to Be Aware that Integrating Technologies Affects all Types of Systems (Figure 1.2)



## Summary

- Information is a key resource.
- Systems analysts deal with many types of information systems.
- Integration of traditional systems with new technologies
- Roles and qualities of the systems analyst
- The systems development life cycle
- CASE tools
- Agile systems development
- Object-oriented systems development