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Review

□ What is Project?

A temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product, service, or result

□ Project vs. Operation

Project: Temporary, Unique

A lot of change management

Operation: Repetitive, Continuity

Remain sustained and continuity

☐ Project, Program, Portfolio

Program:

Related Projects managed in a coordinate way to obtain benefits

Portfolio

a collection of projects, programs, subportfolios, and operations managed as a group to achieve strategic objectives

Review

□ What is Project Management?

The application of knowledge, skills, tools, and techniques to project activities to meet the project requirements

☐ Five progress groups

Initiating, planning, executing, monitoring and controlling, closing

□ 10 knowledge areas

Integration Management, Scope \ Time \ Quality \ Cost \ Stakeholder \ Communication \ Human Resource \ Procurement \ Risk Management

- 1. What is project?
 - Answer: A project is a temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product, service, or result.
- 2. What is Project Management?
 - Answer: Project management is the application of knowledge, skills, tools, and techniques to project activities to meet the project requirements

Project Manager

The person responsible for accomplishing the project objectives

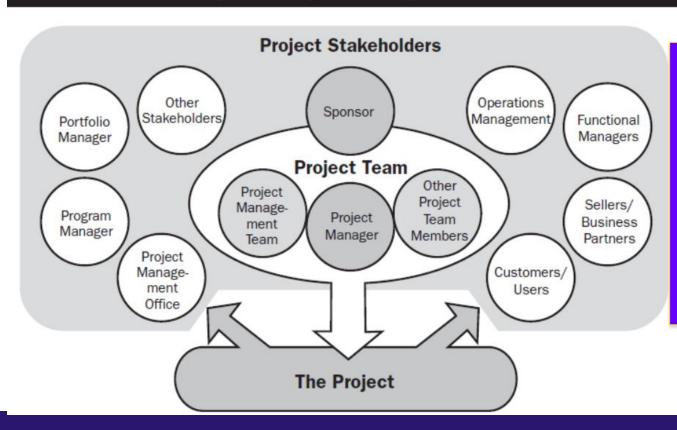
- Leads the project team, Develops/obtains approval for the Project Management Plan
- Ensures the project delivers in accordance with time, cost, scope, quality constraints
- Monitors and controls the plan activities, risks and issues.
- Ensure project milestones are met. Keeps all stakeholders informed of project progress



Stakeholders

An individual, group, or organization who may affect, be affected by, or perceive itself to be affected by a decision, activity, or outcome of a project

Project Life Cycle and Organization



All members of the project team; All interested entities that are internal or external to the organization.

Stakeholders

NOTE: Key stakeholders can make or break the success of a project. Even if all the deliverables are met and the objectives are satisfied, *if your key stakeholders aren't happy, nobody's happy.*



Manage the influences of these various stakeholders in relation to the project requirements to ensure a successful outcome.

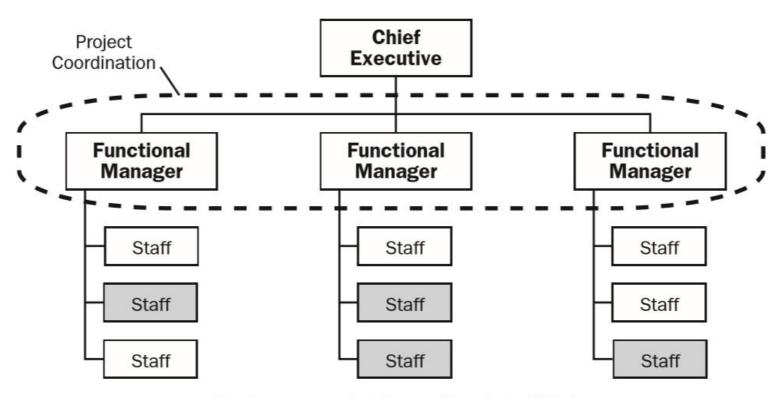
Has the authority to commence the project and provides the funding Expects benefits to be realized Ultimately responsible for the success of the project

Project Sponsor

Organizational structure is an enterprise environment factor, which can affect the availability of resources and influence how projects are conducted.

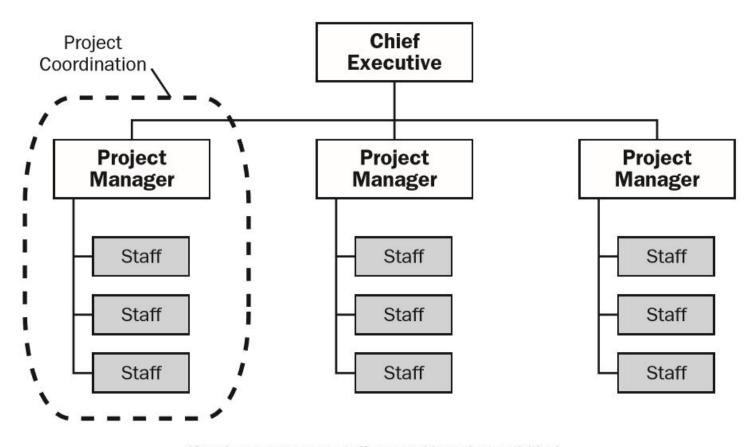
- > Functional organizational structure
- > Projectized organizational structure
- > Matrix organizational structure

Functional Organization



(Gray boxes represent staff engaged in project activities)

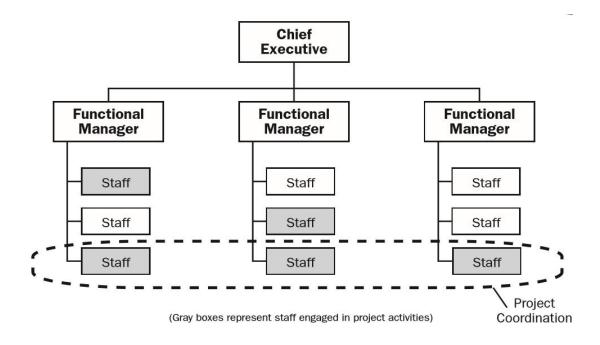
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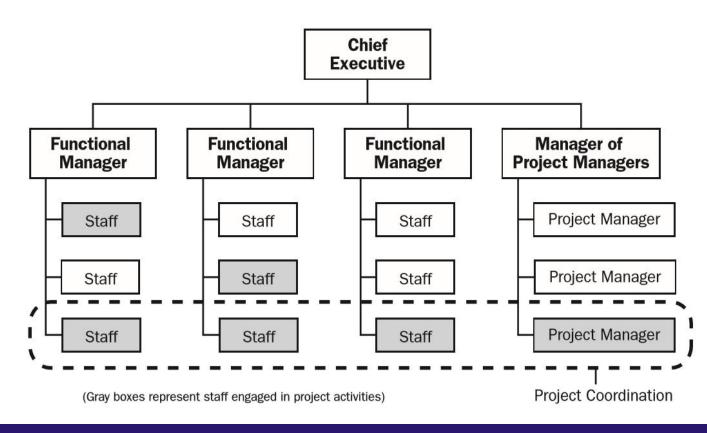
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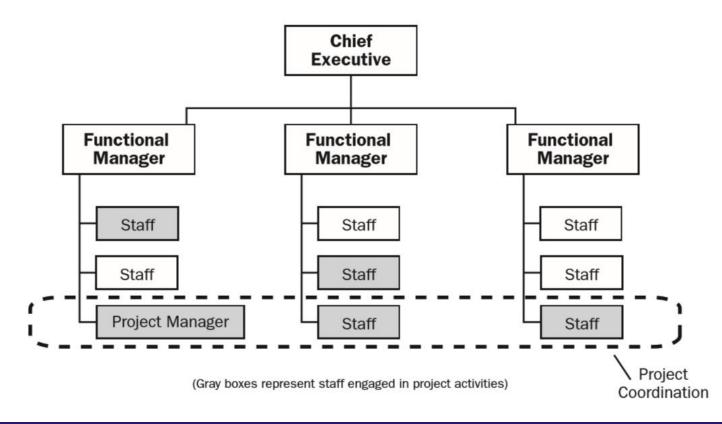


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Organization Structure Project Characteristics	Functional	Matrix			
		Weak Matrix	Balanced Matrix	Strong Matrix	Projectized
Project Manager's Authority	Little or None	Low	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	High to Almost Total
Resource Availability	Little or None	Low	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	High to Almost Total
Who manages the project budget	Functional Manager	Functional Manager	Mixed	Project Manager	Project Manager
Project Manager's Role	Part-time	Part-time	Full-time	Full-time	Full-time
Project Management Administrative Staff	Part-time	Part-time	Part-time	Full-time	Full-time

Ture or false?

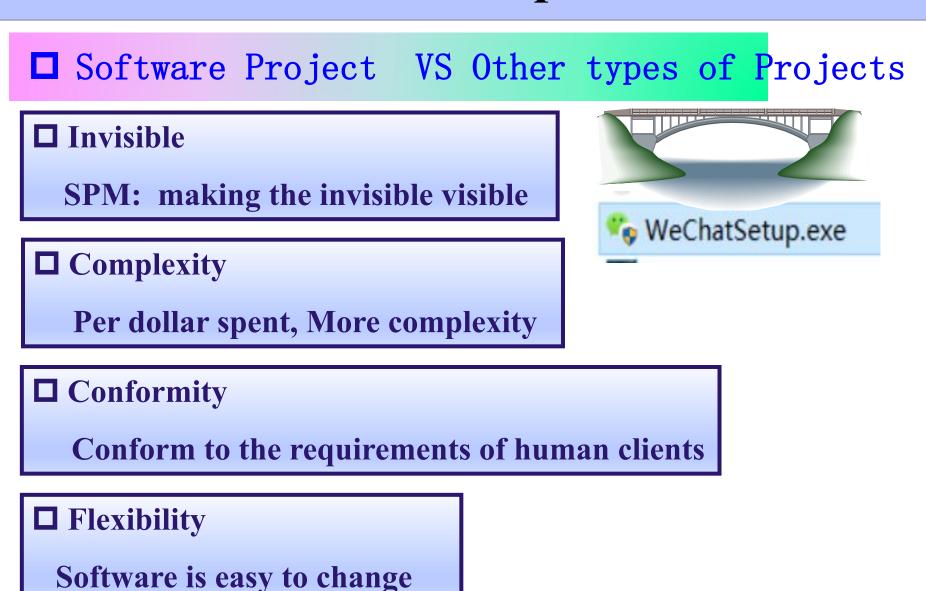
- In the functional organizational structure, the project manager manages the project budget.
- In the projectized organizational structure, the project manager has high authority.

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□ What is Software Project Management?

Software Project Management is a system management method based on software project, which uses the relevant knowledge, techniques and tools for planning, organizing, advising and controlling each stage of software project cycle to achieve the project objectives.

The application of knowledge, skills, tools, and techniques to project activities to meet the project requirements

Project Management

□ Why is SPM important?

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Critical to the success of software project involves a large number of personnel and activities with schedule and funding constraints

will encounter a variety of changes, risks and contradictions

It must have a good management to be successful

Not on time, not completed by initial deadline Over budget

Didn't meet original customer expectations

IT projects in 2012

- O 43% Challenged
- O 18% Failed
- O 39% Succesfull

□ Why is SPM important?

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Important for improving professional qualities

Adapt to team development

✓ Good teamwork is a prerequisite for success of the project



✓ Understanding the plan and the corresponding measures on schedule, cost, quality, personnel, to work more effectively and to create value for the enterprises. It is especially important for the management positions

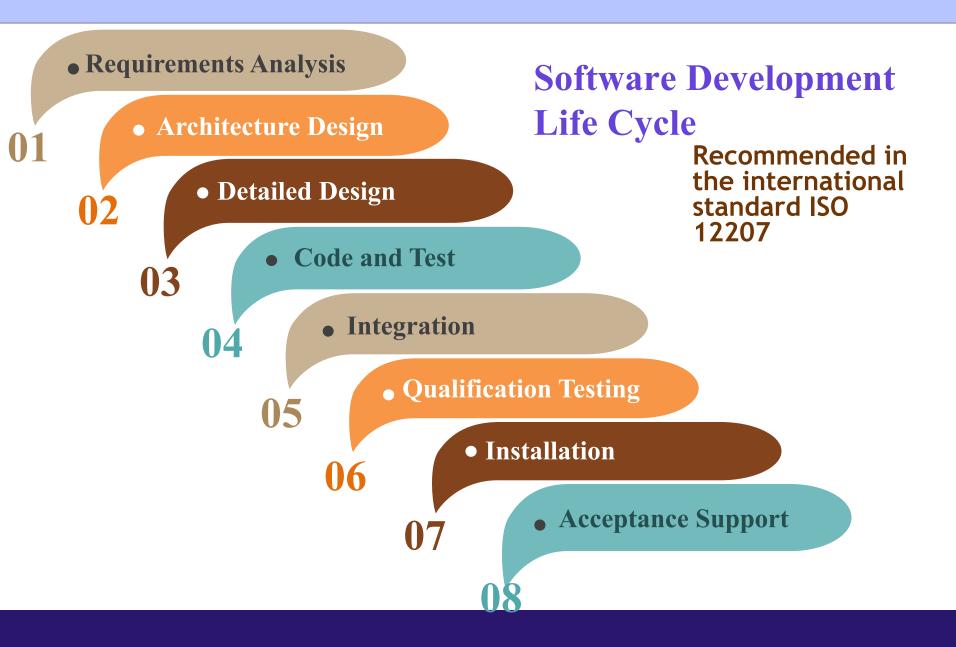
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Requirement analysis

Starts with requirements gathering which establishes what the potential users and their managers require of the new system. e.g. function, quality

Detailed design

Each software component is made up of a number of separately coded and tested software units, detailed designed

Architecture design

Identify the components of the new system that fulfil each requirement

Code and test

Writing code for each software unit.
Initial testing to debug individual units

Integration

The components are tested together to see if they meet the overall requirements.

E.g. combining different software components, or software with hardware platforms and user interactions

Installation

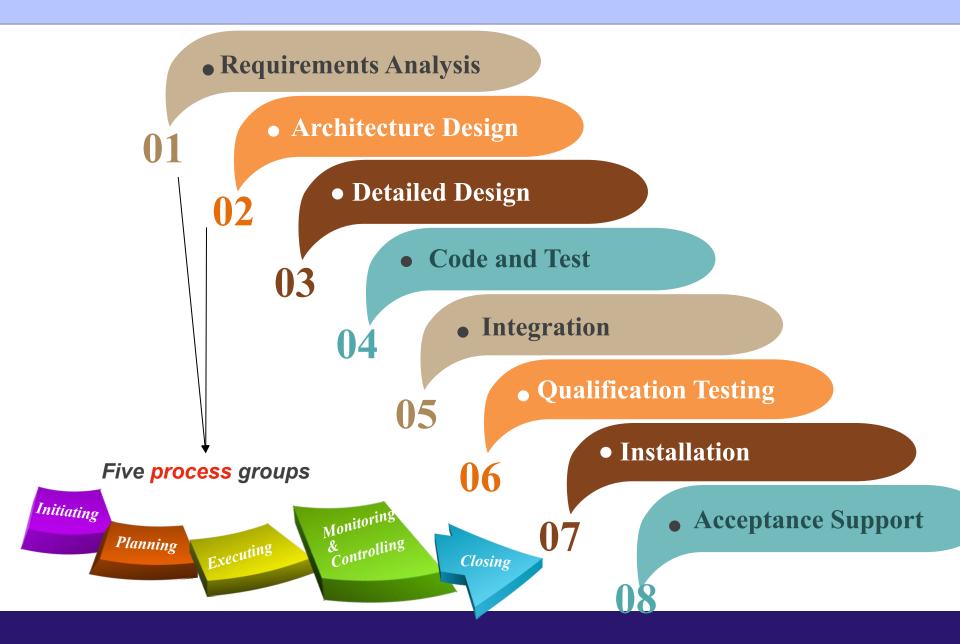
The process of making the new system operational, including:
Setting up standing data, setting system parameters, installing the software onto the hardware platform

Qualification testing

Test the system carefully to ensure that all the requirements have been fulfilled

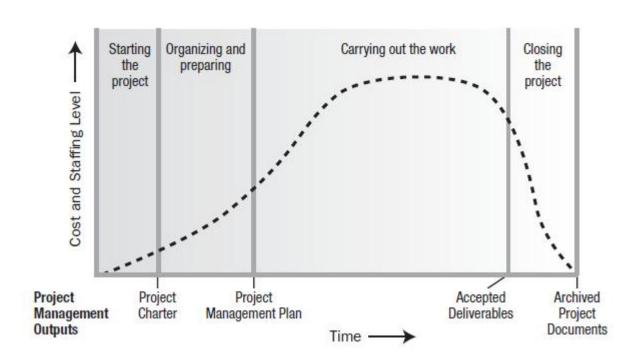
Acceptance support

Resolving of problems with the newly installed system, including the correction of any errors, implementing agreed extensions and improvements

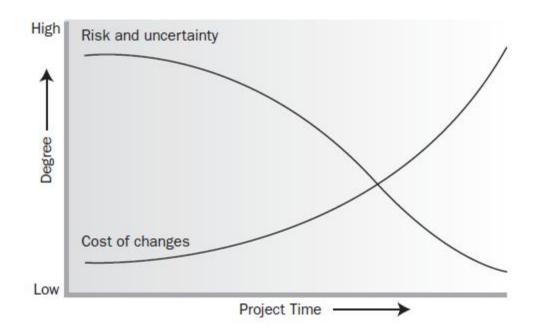


Project Life Cycle

- A project life cycle is the series of phases that a project passes through from its initiation to its closure.
- Projects vary in size and complexity. All projects can be mapped to the following generic life cycle structure
 - Starting the project,
 - Organizing and preparing,
 - Carrying out the project work, and
 - **■** Closing the project.



Typical Cost and Staffing Levels Across a Generic Project Life Cycle Structure



Impact of Variable Based on Project Time

- 1. Predictive Life Cycles
 - Waterfall model
- 2. Incremental Life Cycles
- 3. Iterative Life Cycles
- 4. Adaptive Life Cycles
 - Agile model

■ Predictive Life Cycles:

- Project proceed through a series of sequential or overlapping phases, with each phase generally focusing on a subset of project activities and project management processes.
- The work performed in each phase is usually different in nature to that in the preceding and subsequent phases, therefore, the makeup and skills required of the project team may vary from phase to phase.

Planning

Design

Construct

Test

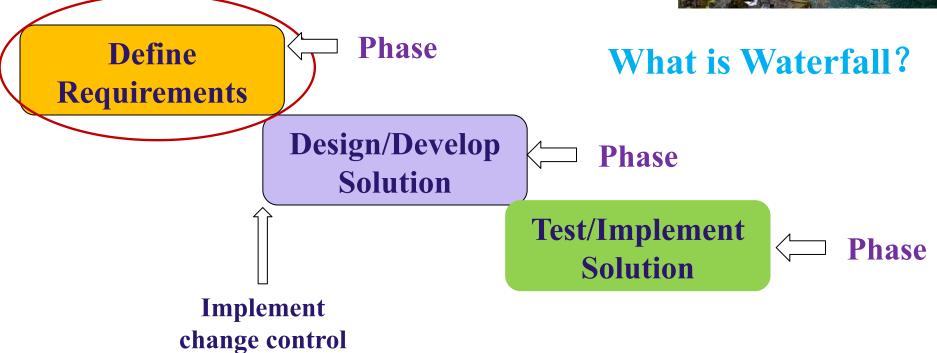
Turnover

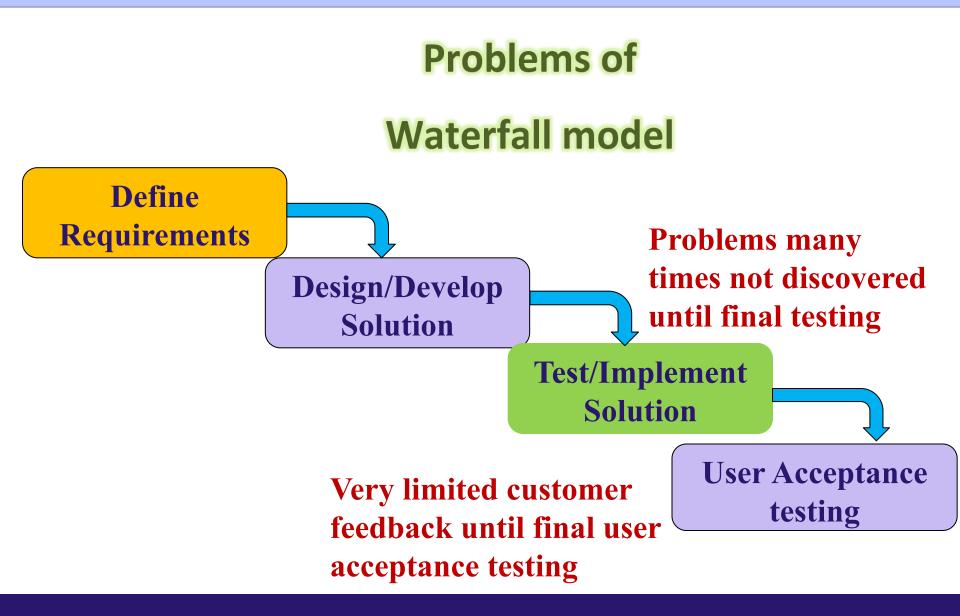
Waterfall

model

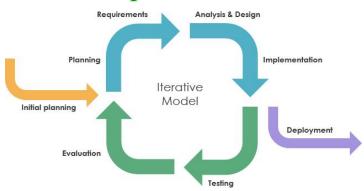
The first published model of the software development process (1970, Winston Royce)



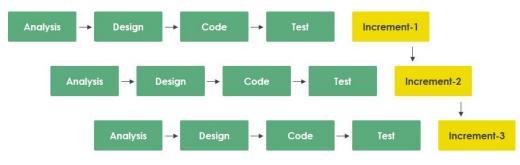




- Iterative Life Cycles:
- Incremental Life Cycles:
 - Iterations develop the product through a series of repeated cycles, while increments successively add to the functionality of the product.



It first focuses on an initial, simplified set user features, which then progressively gains more complexity and a broader set of features until the targeted



This model combines the elements of the waterfall model with the iterative philosophy of prototyping.

■ Adaptive Life Cycles:

- Adaptive life cycles are intended to respond to high levels of change and ongoing stakeholder involvement.
- Adaptive methods are also iterative and incremental, but differ in that iterations are very rapid (usually with a duration of 2 to 4 weeks) and are fixed in time and cost.
- Adaptive methods are generally preferred when dealing with a rapidly changing environment, when requirements and scope are difficult to define in advance, and when it is possible to define small incremental improvements that will deliver value to stakeholders.

Agile model

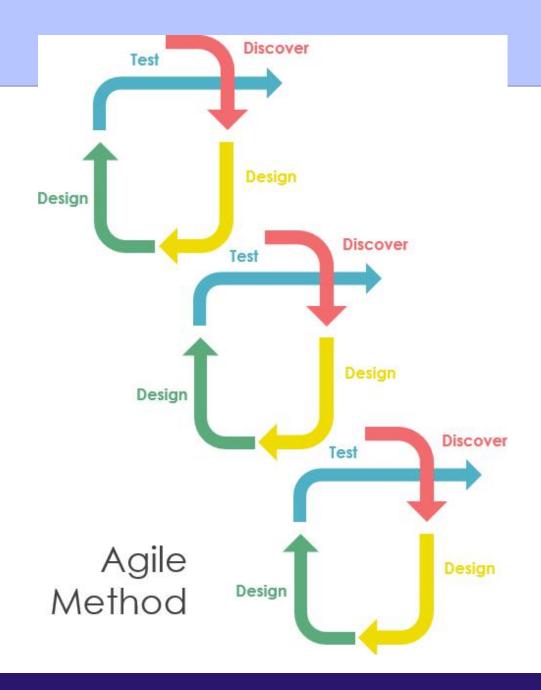
Agile model

What is Agile?



Agile is a new approach to project management. 1990's

It provides a more flexible and adaptive approach to project management



That provides an opportunity for quick and frequent feedback to keep the project on the right track and to maximize the business value that is delivered

Agile model

Individuals and Interactions	Over	Processes and Tools
Working Software	Over	Comprehensive Documentation
Customer Collaboration	Over	Contract Negotiation
Responding to Change	Over	Following a Plan

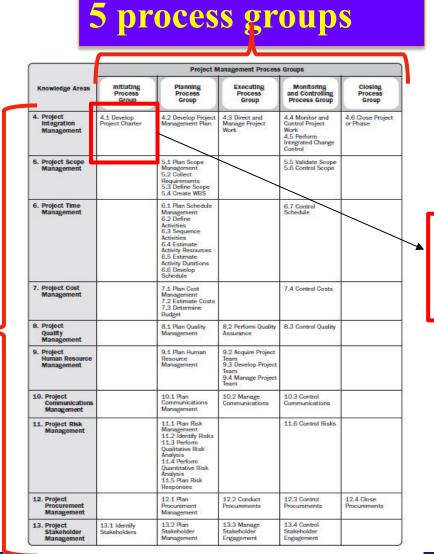
True or false?

- Agile model provides an opportunity for quick and frequent feedback to keep the project on the right track.
- **Waterfall model belongs to the Adaptive Life Cycle.**

Project Management Process Groups and Knowledge Areas

47 processes

10 knowledge areas



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Process

□ What is Process?

A process is a set of interrelated actions and activities performed to create a pre-specified product, service, or result.

Each process is characterized by its inputs, the tools and techniques that can be applied, and the resulting outputs.







Input

Tools & Techniques

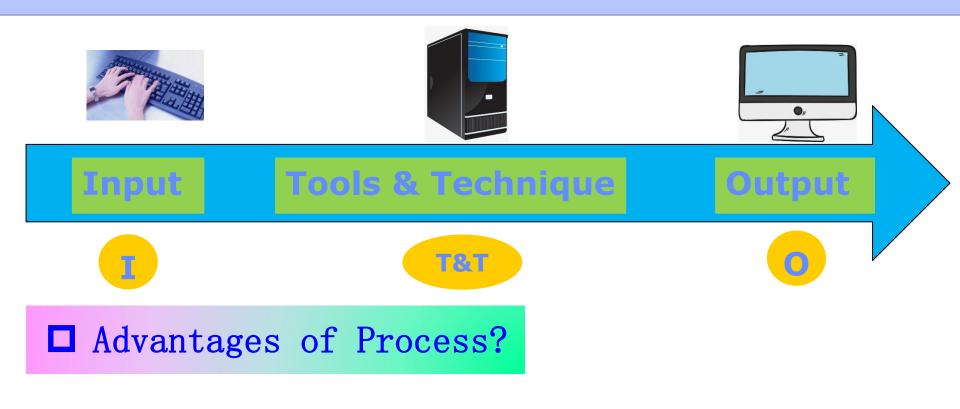
Output







Process



Unstructured management Structured management

Summary

- Project Manager
- Stakeholder
- Organizational Structure:
 - functional, projectized, matrix(weak, strong, balanced)
- Software Project
- Software Project Management
- Software Development Life Cycle
- Software Development Life Cycle Models
 - **■** Predictive Life Cycles
 - Waterfall model
 - **■** Incremental Life Cycles
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- Process

Chapter 1: Summary



Mastering the concept and characteristics of project



Mastering the concept of project management, and the steps of creating a Project Management Plan



Understanding the role and importance of software project management



Understanding the main contents of software project management