

# Software Engineering

## Lecture 1

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# Aim of the Course

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The aim of the Software Engineering module is to strengthen students' capabilities in programming and software development. The module will require students to implement and debug their programs and utilise modern software development tools, such as Integrated Development Environments and debuggers.

# Assessment

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- Project (group work): 70%
- Examination: 30%

Assessment		Weight	Submission method	Due date
Coursework	Sprint 1	70%	Moodle	12/02/2023
	Sprint 2		Moodle	12/03/2023
	Sprint 3		Moodle	02/04/2023
	Sprint 4		Moodle	30/04/2023
	Individual reflection		Moodle	30/04/2023
Exam	Written Exam	30%	in person	TBC

# Points to Consider

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- You need a team that will be able to complete the coursework. Sometimes that means finding new people to work with
- Your team **must** come to the same lab session for code reviews and weekly lab meetings
- Your team **must** be four people. Only once all teams are formed will we look at how the numbers work out
- You are a team member. You are committing to the team and working together

# Get into a Team

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- Get up
- Find your team of four
- Once in a team sit down as close to the front **as possible**
  - Not as close to the front as you want – we are making space for everyone
- Once seated, your team need to do the following:
  - Define a Code of Conduct
  - Start reading the notes for Lecture 2
  - Decide on a Product Owner
  - Decide on a Scrum Master
  - Schedule necessary meetings

# Code of Conduct

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You require rules for your team. For example:

1. If a team member is late more than twice they have to buy everyone a coffee.
2. If a team member does not communicate for a week they will be reported at the weekly lab meeting.
3. etc.

The point of the Code of Conduct is for everyone to agree how they will act as a team. Your Code of Conduct must be added to your GitHub repository. See <https://help.github.com/articles/adding-a-code-of-conduct-to-your-project/>

# Continuous Improvement

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One final point comes from ideas of lean. We have two objectives:

1. **Have respect for people**
2. **Continuously improve**

Education is a form of continuous improvement - you will never stop learning. However, a key concept is this:

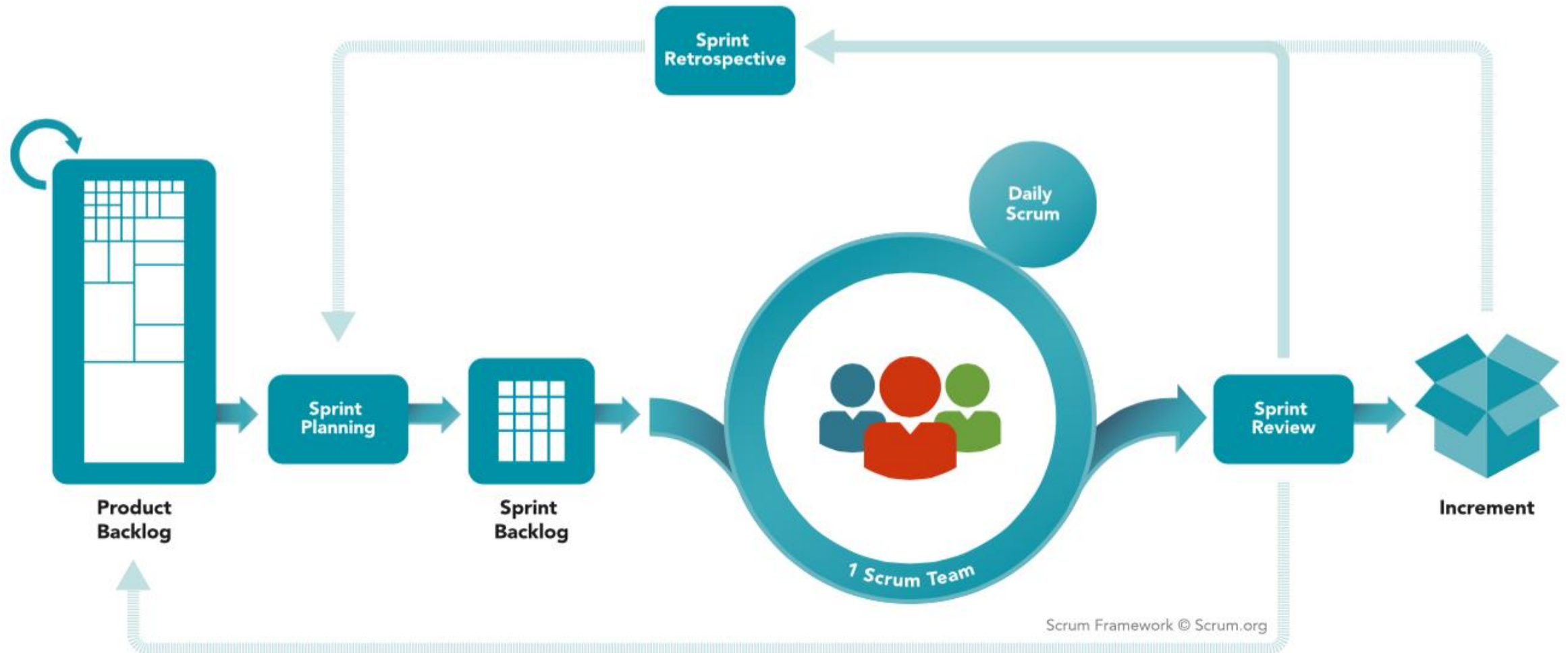
- *Respect for people **supports** continuous improvement*
- *Continuous improvement **does not in itself support** respect for people*

This can be expanded to the class - *respect* each other, and give each other support, and you can improve yourself and your class mates together

**Education is not a competition**



# Scrum Framework



# Scrum Process

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- Create a Product Backlog
- Estimate the Product Backlog
- Plan work to be done in a Sprint
- Start work
- Check-up each day (Daily Scrum)
- End of Sprint, review
- End of Sprint, reflect
- Check velocity, return to 2

# Scrum Roles

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- Product Owner prioritises the Product Backlog and generally maintains it
- Scrum Master encourages the team and gets problems out of their way. They schedule the meetings, but they are not in charge
- Team member does the work. In your teams, everyone is a team member
- The Product Owner and Scrum Master cannot be the same person

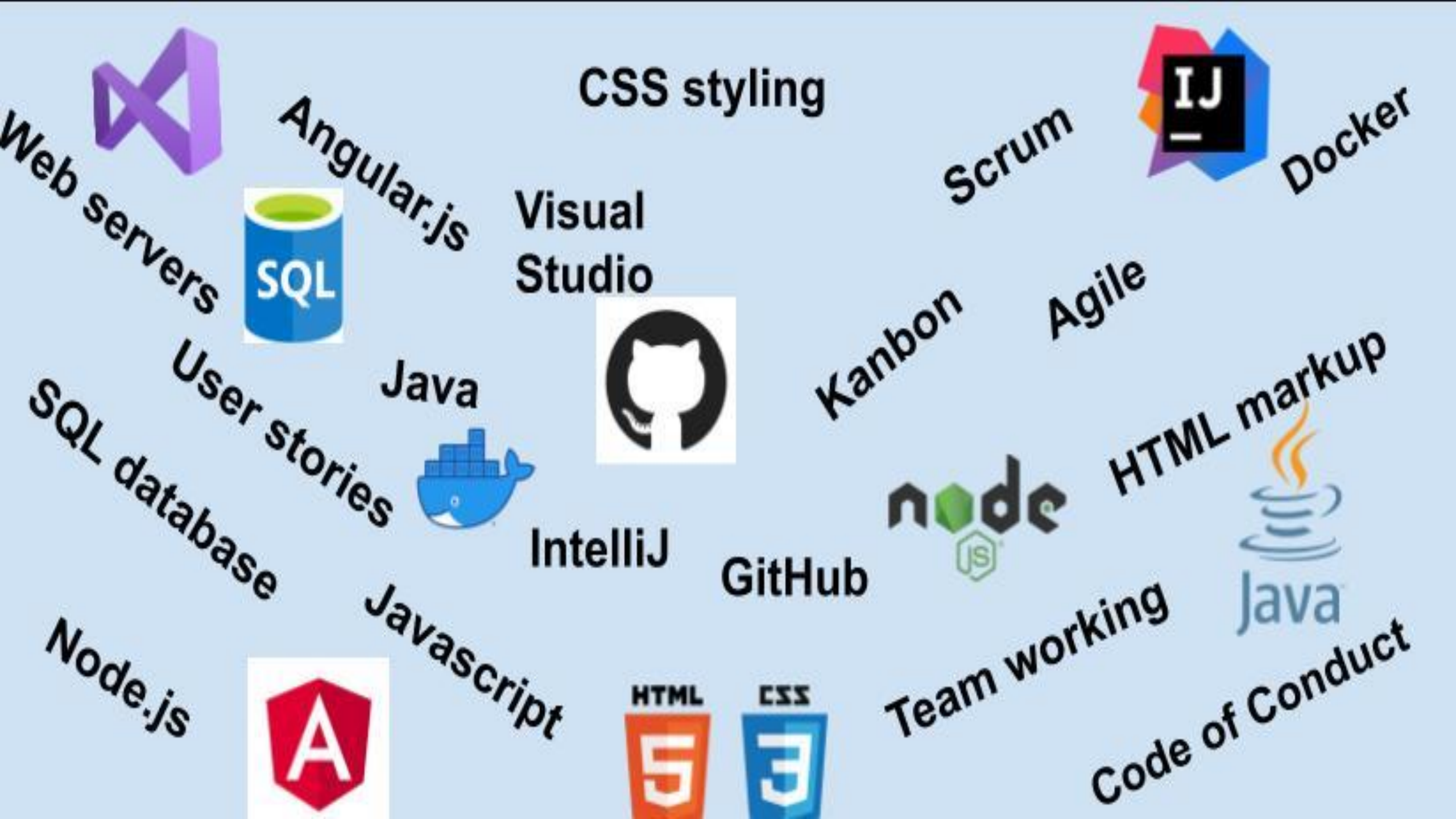
# Your Task

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**READ THE LECTURE NOTES!** They provide more information and detail than we can cover today

Get your team organised and working. Work on everything together. You are a team now and need to support each other

During next week's lab we will start team meetings. Be prepared and make sure everything is set-up



Web servers

Angular.js

CSS styling

Visual Studio

Scrum

Docker



User stories

Java



IntelliJ



GitHub

Kanban

Agile



HTML markup



Team working

Code of Conduct

SQL database

Javascript

Node.js



# Software Engineering Method

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Two concepts to define:

- **Software Engineering**
- **Method**

We will start with Software Engineering – from Wikipedia:

- Software engineering is the **application of engineering** to the **development of software** in a **systematic method**.

# Software Development

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Again from Wikipedia:

- Software development is the process of **conceiving, specifying, designing, programming, documenting, testing**, and **bug fixing** involved in creating and maintaining applications, frameworks, or other software components
- **Conceiving** or coming up with an idea
- **Specifying** the requirements.
- **Designing** (we use UML)
- **Programming**
- **Documenting** is fundamental for reuse
- **Testing** (we will use unit testing).
- **Bug fixing** in production

# Software Engineering

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From Wikipedia:

- Engineering is the **creative application of science, mathematical methods, and empirical evidence** to the innovation, design, construction, operation and maintenance of structures, machines, materials, devices, systems, processes, and organizations.

Engineering has three strands:

1. The **application of science** – computer science underpins software development
2. **Mathematical methods** to model (not in the module). From computer science
3. **Empirical evidence** means that we measure something to gain information (e.g. testing)



# Software Engineering

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The working definition for the module:

*A collection of techniques (e.g. designing, programming, testing) to develop software using ideas from computer science in a manner that is systematic. We require evidence about our software to determine if it is working as expected.*

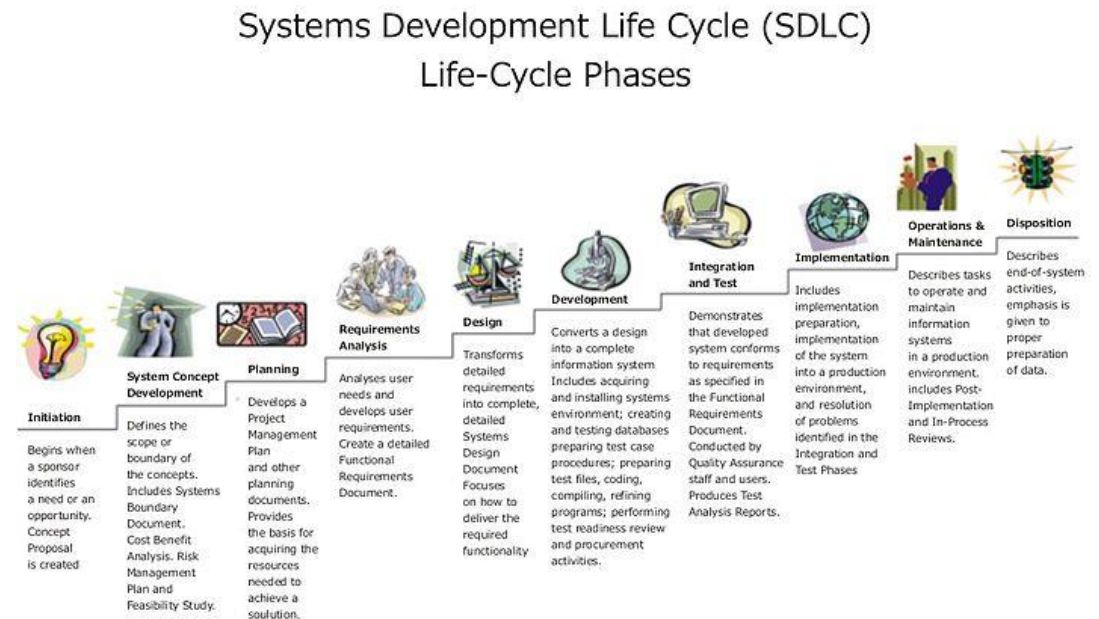
# What is a Method?

Effectively, an approach to do something – a series of steps.

Software engineering is underpinned by the *Software Development Lifecycle*.

Three key methods:

1. Waterfall
2. Spiral or incremental
3. Agile

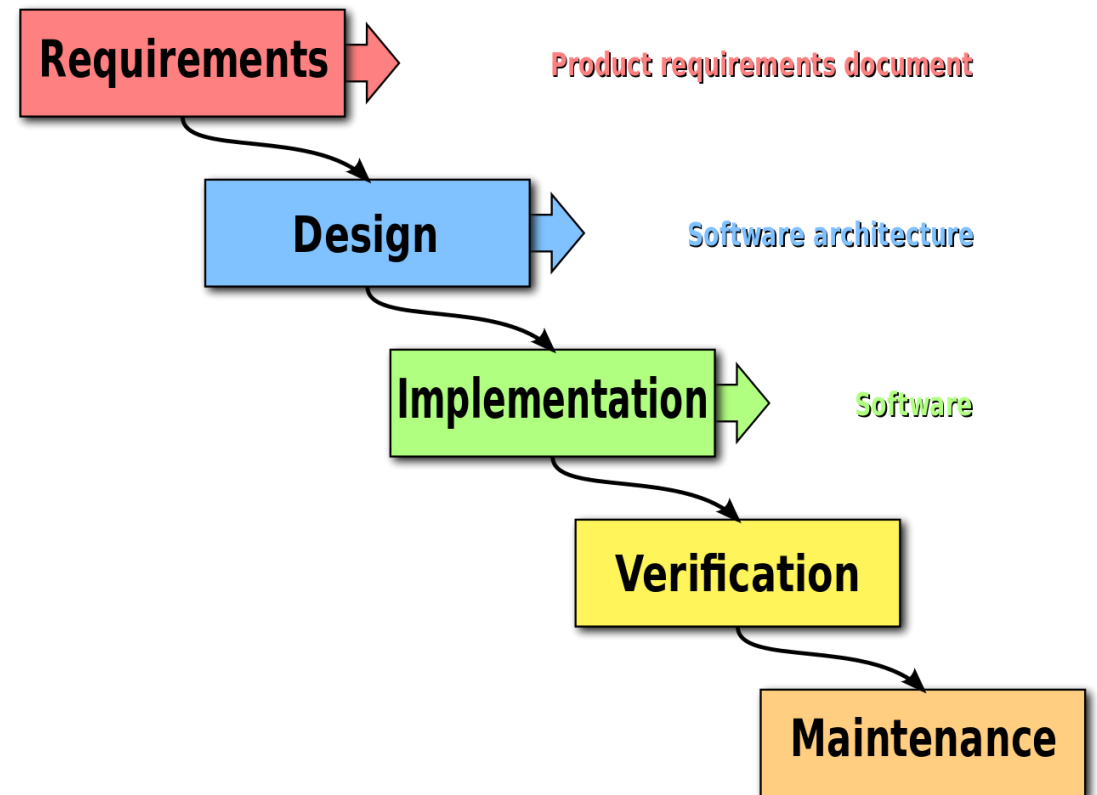


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# Waterfall

Each stage is completed before moving onto the next.

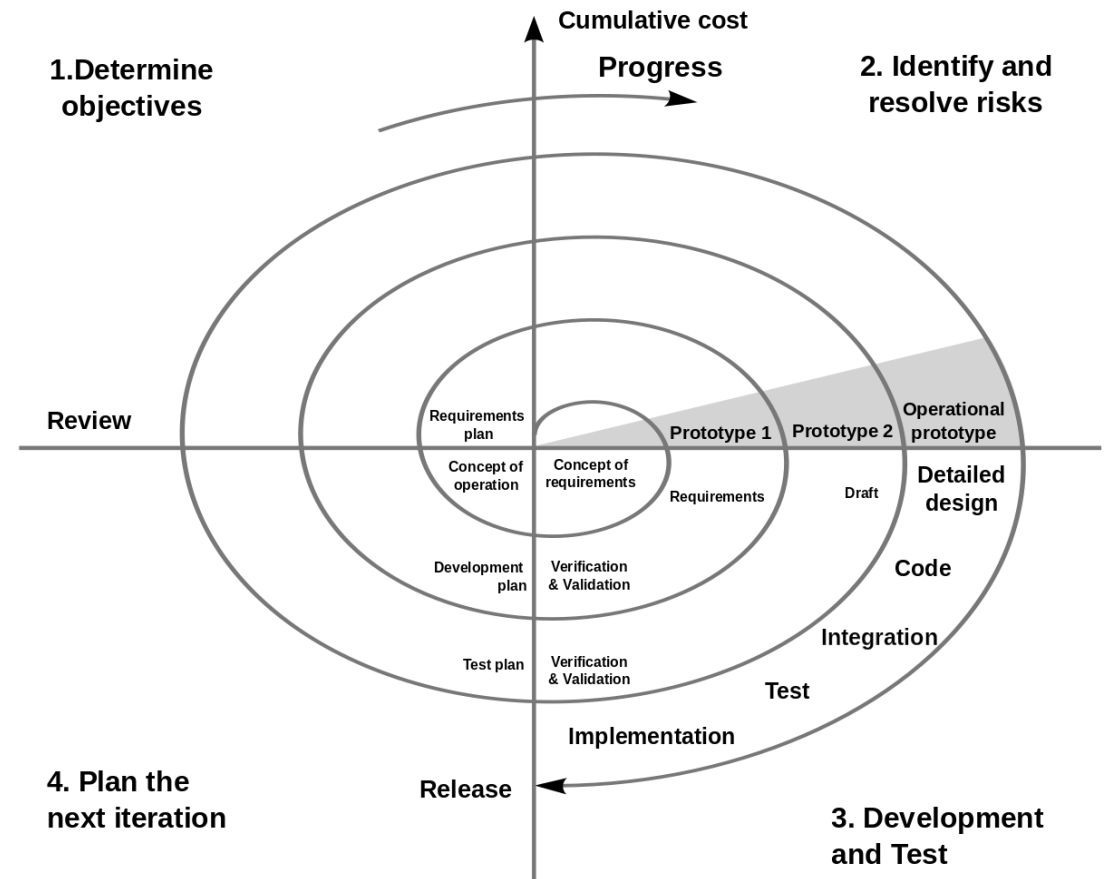
- **Requirements gathering** or defining what is needed in the software
- **Analysis of the requirements** to define models and rules
- **Design** to produce the software architecture
- **Coding** to build the software.
- **Testing** to ensure the software is working as expected
- **Operation** of the software where needed



# Spiral

Software is iteratively developed through four stages to produce better prototypes.

1. **Determine objectives** for this iteration
2. **Identify and resolve risks** for this iteration
3. **Development and test** for this iteration
4. **Plan the next iteration**



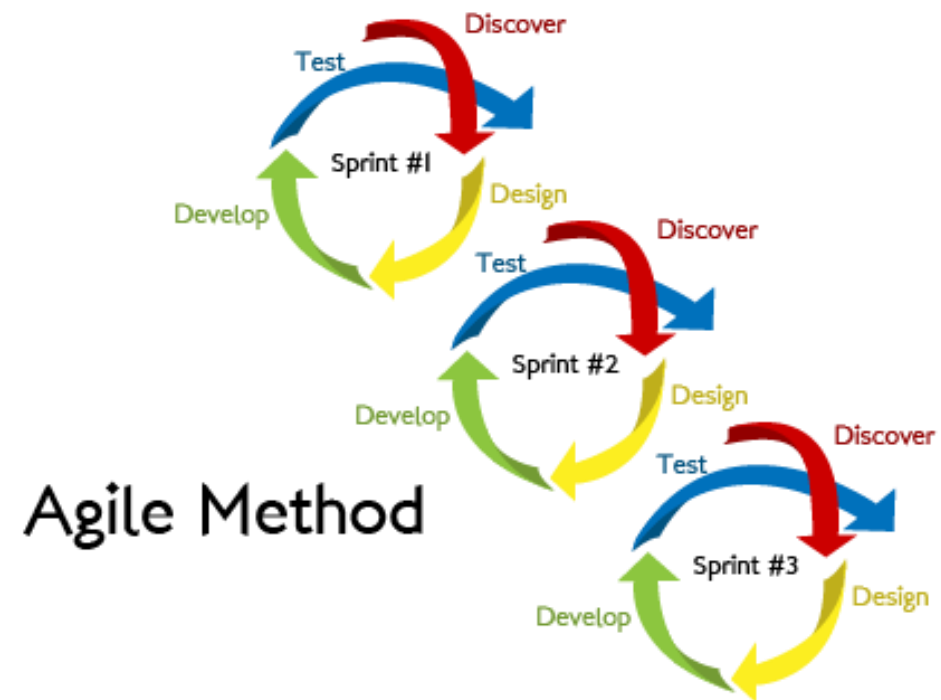
# Agile Method

Extend the iterative ideas, but focus on **human-centric** ideas.

Software is **evolved** by collaboration between developers and clients.

Teams are **self-organising** and support multiple parts of the process.

Teams can **adapt** (*be agile*) as requirements and challenges evolve.



# Linking to Module Learning Outcomes

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1. **Demonstrate understanding** of *a modern software development lifecycle*. (**coursework**)
2. **Explain** the *different techniques supporting modern software engineering methods*. (**exam**)
3. **Define and analyse** *systems requirements and needs* and **specify** a *system design to deliver these requirements*. (**coursework**)
4. **Apply** *modern software engineering methods and techniques to a software development project*. (**coursework**)
5. **Explain** the *role of a computing professional in relation to social, ethical and legal issues surrounding projects*. (**exam**)
6. **Consider** *information security requirements in the development and delivery of software*. (**exam**)

# History of Software Engineering (part 1)

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**Pre 1965** work on defining a discipline, but the term Software Engineering  
**1965** various letters to the ACM, lectures, and advertisements mention the term Software Engineering

**1965 to 1985** *the software crisis* - software runs over budget, schedule, causes faults that lead to loss of life. Software quality becomes a key idea

**1970s** *structured programming* - using if, functions, etc.

**1980s** *Structured Systems Analysis and Design Methodology (SSADM)*

**1985 to 1989** *'no silver bullet' idea* - no single technology or approach will solve the software crisis

**1990s** *Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)*

**1990s** *Internet* becomes dominant technology

# History of Software Engineering (part 2)

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**1991** *Rapid Application Development (RAD)* - still common in user-interface design methods

**1994** *Dynamic Systems Development Method (DSDM)* - the first agile method

**1995** *Scrum*

**1999** *eXtreme Programming (XP)*

**2000 to today** rise of lightweight methods (the focus of this module)

**2000s** various *agile methods* defined

**2001** *The Manifesto for Agile Software Development*

**2008** *DevOps* (Development Operations) coined



# The Manifesto for Agile Software Development

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Signatories state that as developers they value:

- **Individuals and Interactions** over *processes and tools*
- **Working Software** over *comprehensive documentation*
- **Customer Collaboration** over *contract negotiation*
- **Responding to Change** over *following a plan*

After class:

- Reflect on the Agile Manifesto and analyse what the individual points mean to you
- Read the Wikipedia section on the Agile Manifesto. Reflect how your original analysis is similar and different to that presented on Wikipedia

# Lean Software Development

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- **Eliminate waste** – do not do work that does not add value to the customer
- **Amplify learning** – usually by short iteration cycles with feedback from the client and the team
- **Decide as late as possible** – wait until all the facts are available before deciding how features are implemented
- **Deliver as fast as possible**
- **Empower the team** – *“find good people and let them do their own job”*
- **Build integrity in** – keep the system simple to update and modify
- **See the whole** – *“Think big, act small, fail fast; learn rapidly”*