Software Project Management

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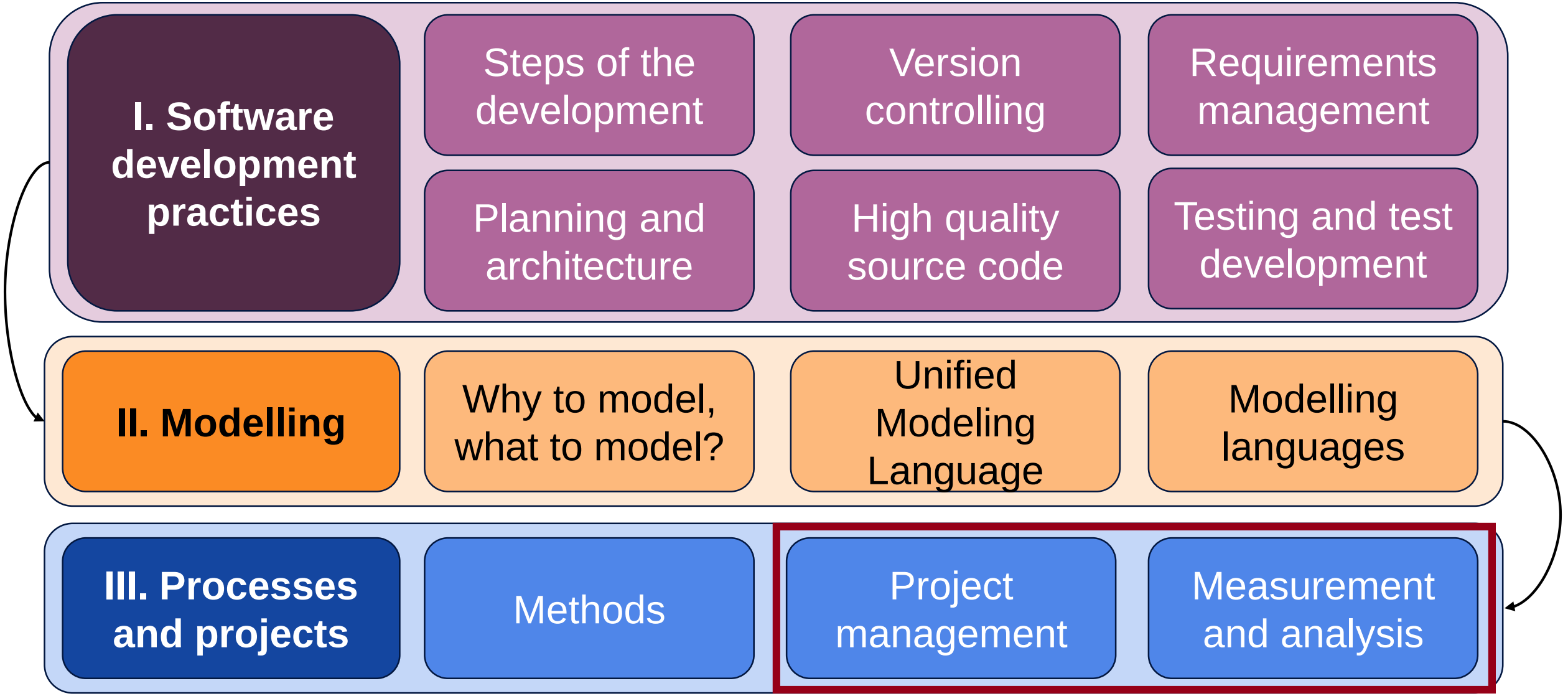
Learning Outcomes

- At the end of the lecture the students are expected to be able to
- (K1) understand the use cases of software metrics,
- (K1) understand the basic concepts of project management,
- (K1) understand the basic concepts of project costs and their estimation.

Further Topics of the Subject



What Is a Metric?

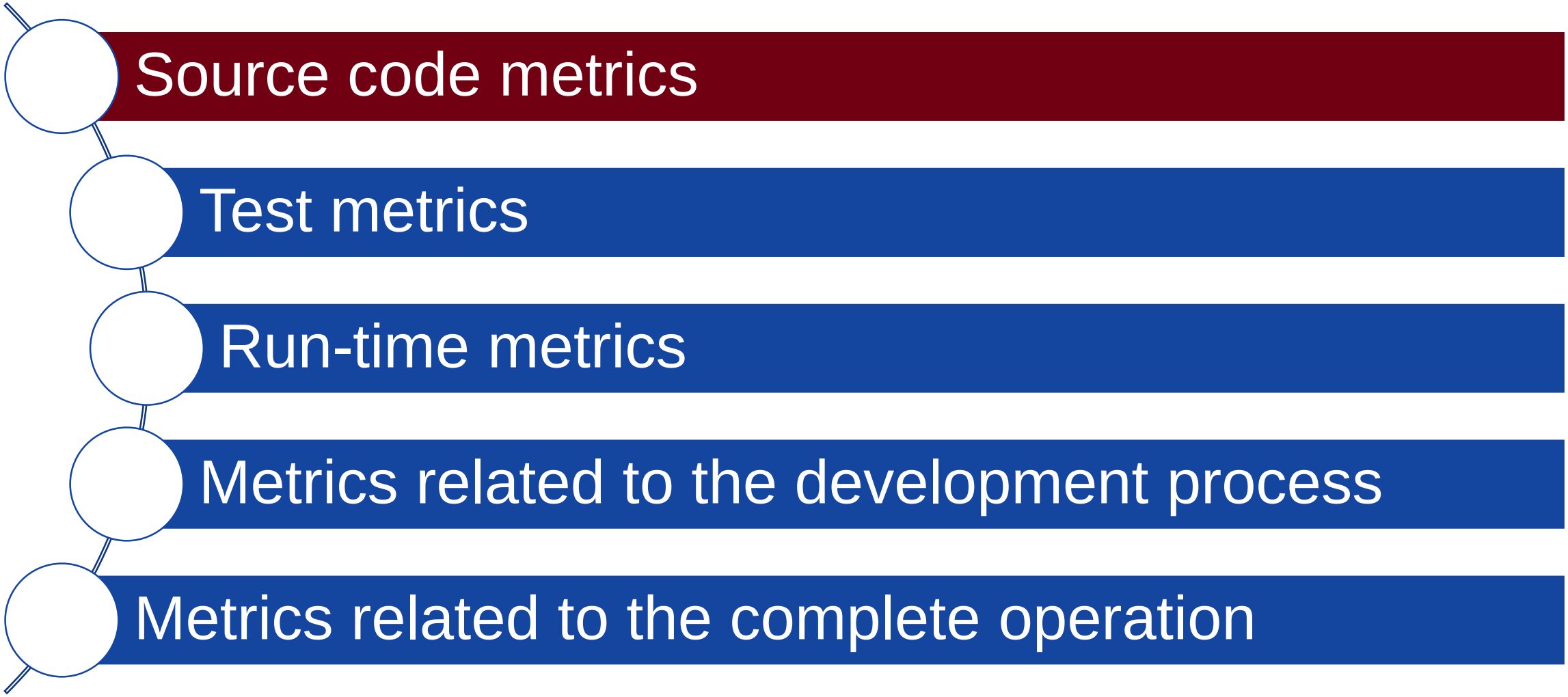
What Is Meant by Quality?

- … and how it is measured?

What Is a Metric?

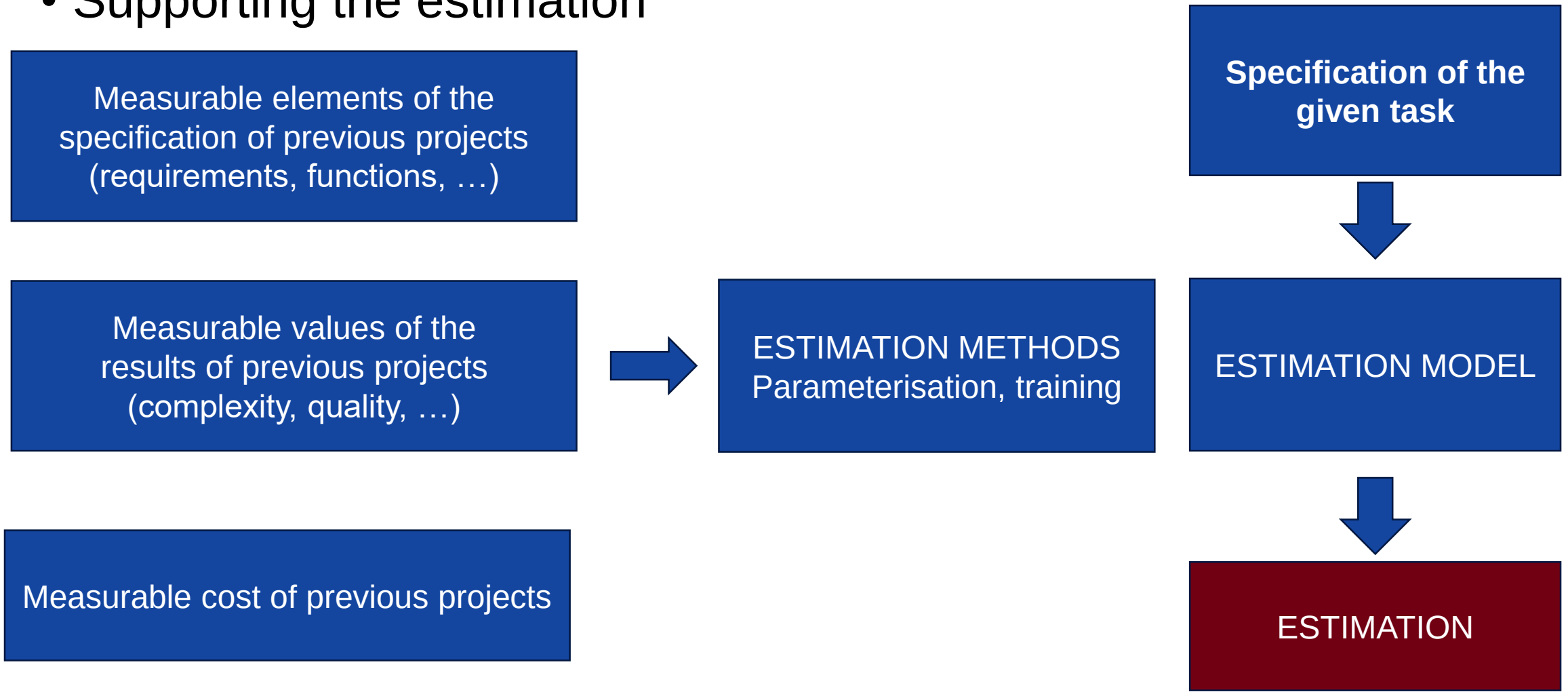
- Objectively measurable, quantifiable quantity
- Must be specified
  - Scale, unit of measurement
  - Measurement method
  - Interpretation
- Measurement and evaluation
  - Mostly static analysis
    (see te 6th lecture about “High Quality Source Code”)

Metrics on Different Levels



Application of Metrics

- Supporting the estimation



Application of Metrics – Evaluation

Quality

- Where an error can be in the software?
- Which parts would be worth of refactoring?
- How maintainable will it be?
- Relative comparison, NOT an absolute measure

Targeted checking

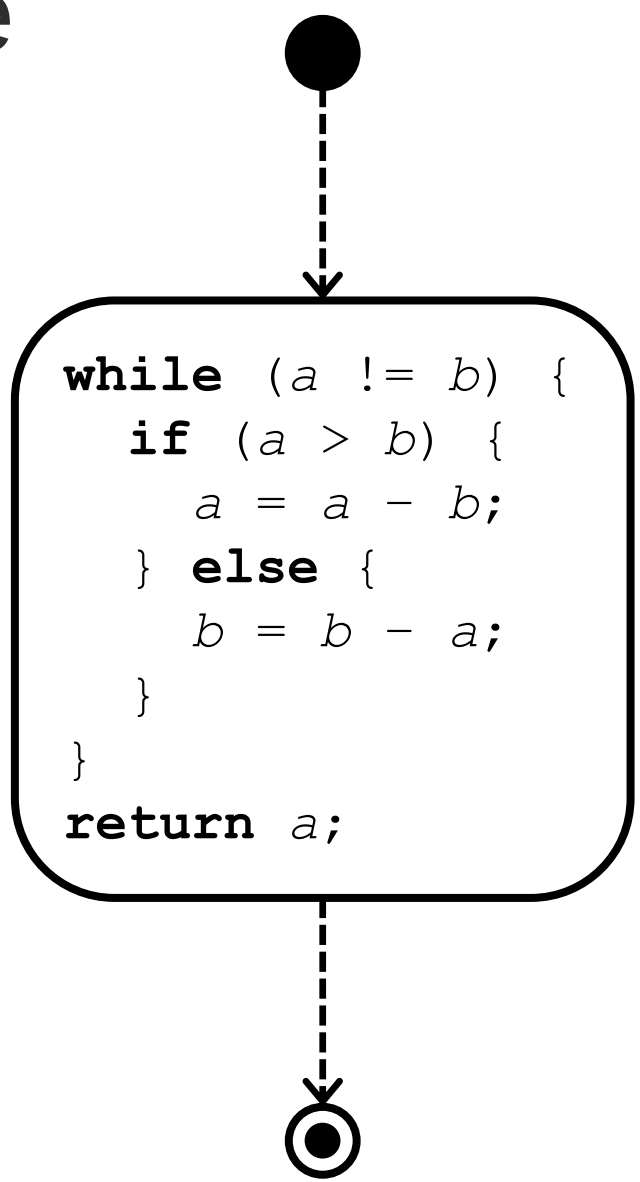
- Based on automatically calculated values
- e.g. support for code verification

Structural Metrics

CFG, cyclomatic complexity

Control Flow of a Code

- Directed graph
  - nodes: instructions
  - edges: dependencies
- See: static code analysis
- Example:



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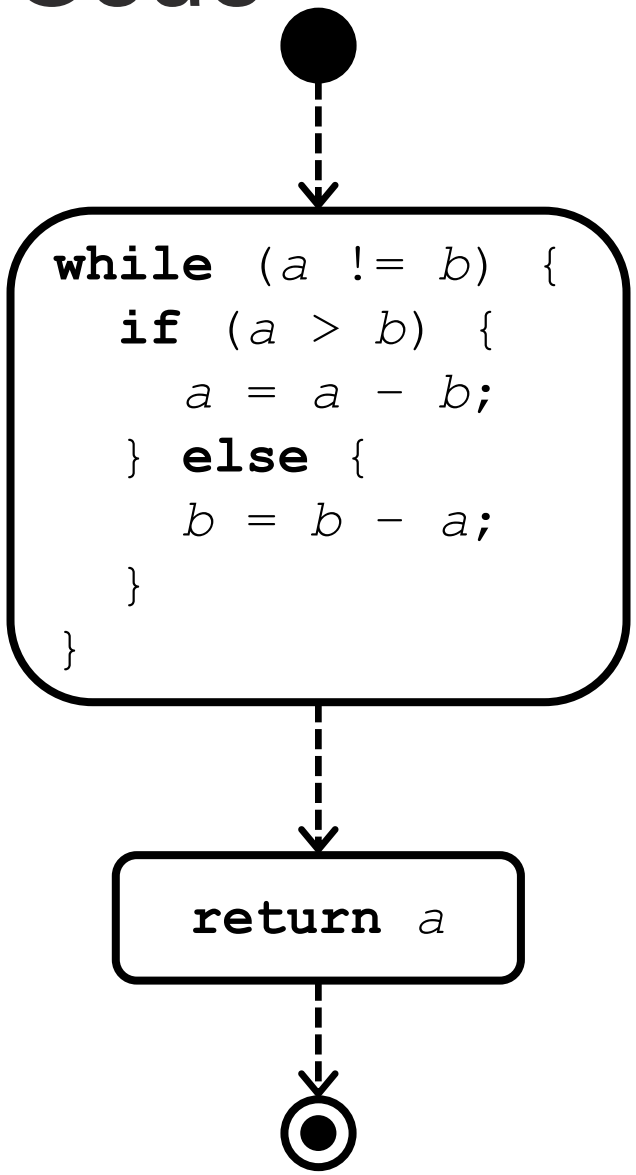

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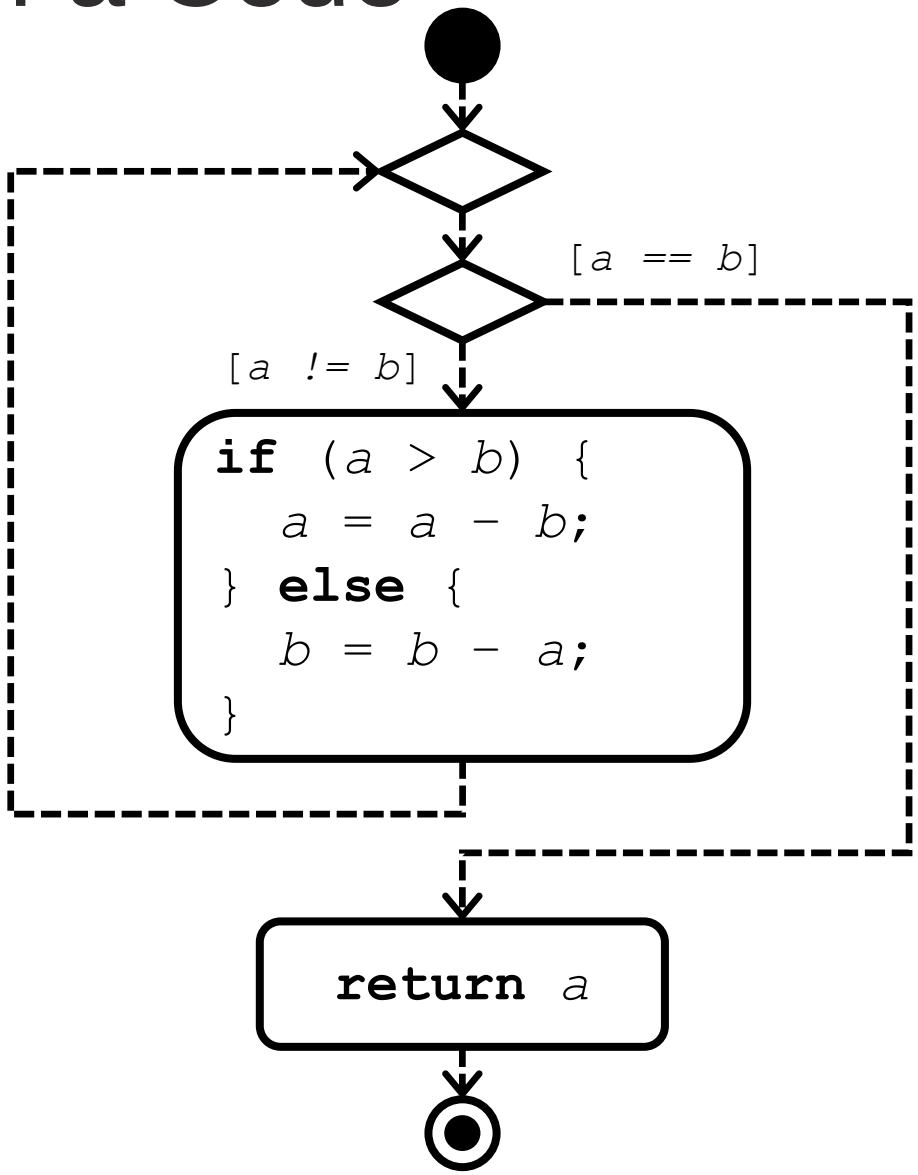

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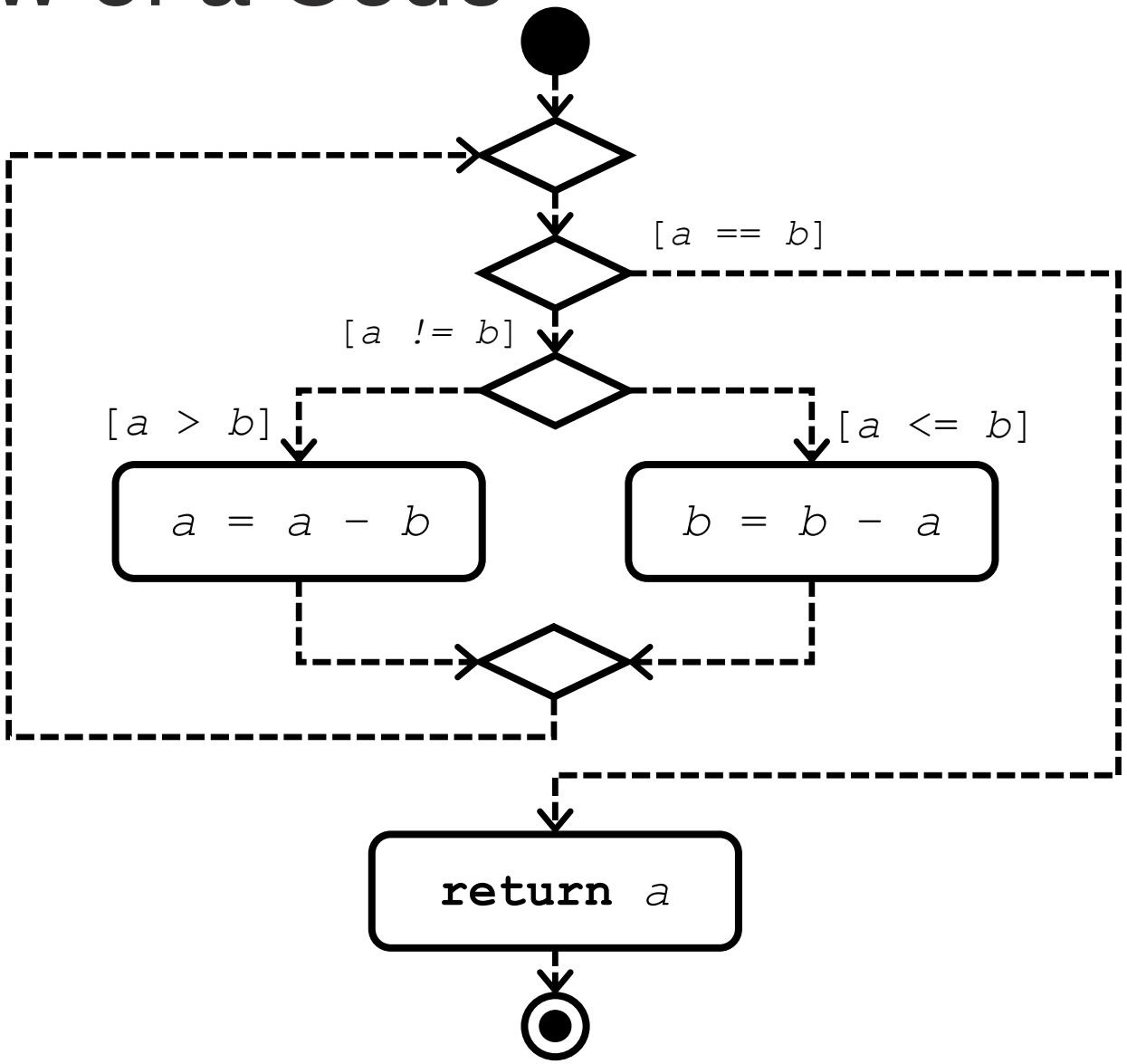
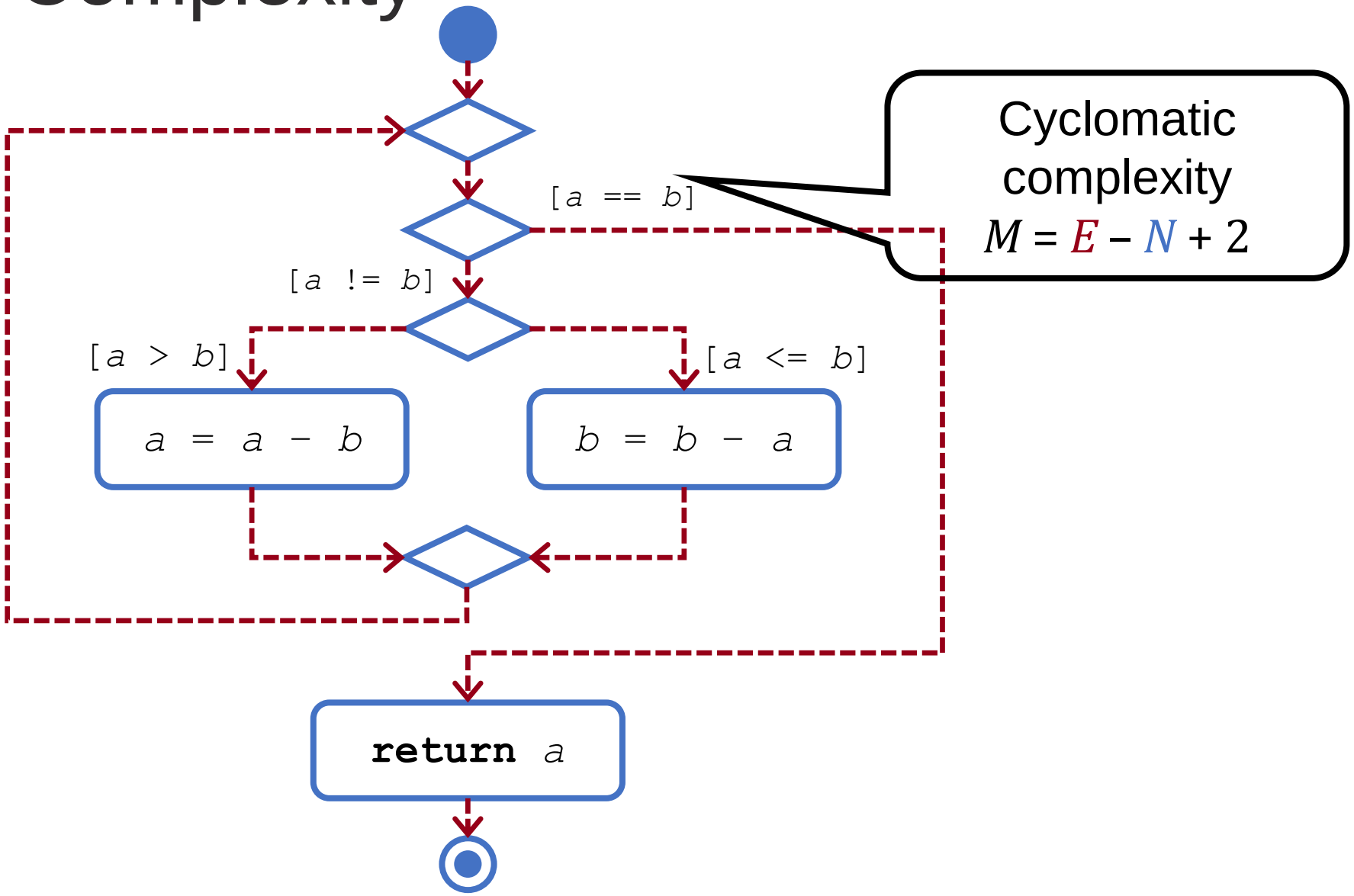


Cyclomatic Complexity



Further Structural Metrics

- Deepest embedded control structure
  - Max nesting
  - Structure, not the execution!
- Knots
  - Number of parallel branches
- Comment-to-Code ratio
  - E.g. requiring a minimum
- Number of code lines (LoC)

How can they be **evaluated**?

- Maximum / average values
- 90. percentile: 90% of all values are smaller or equal to this value
- On the level of functions / modules

Project Management

Scope-Budget-Time

Resources-Risk-Quality

What Is a Project?

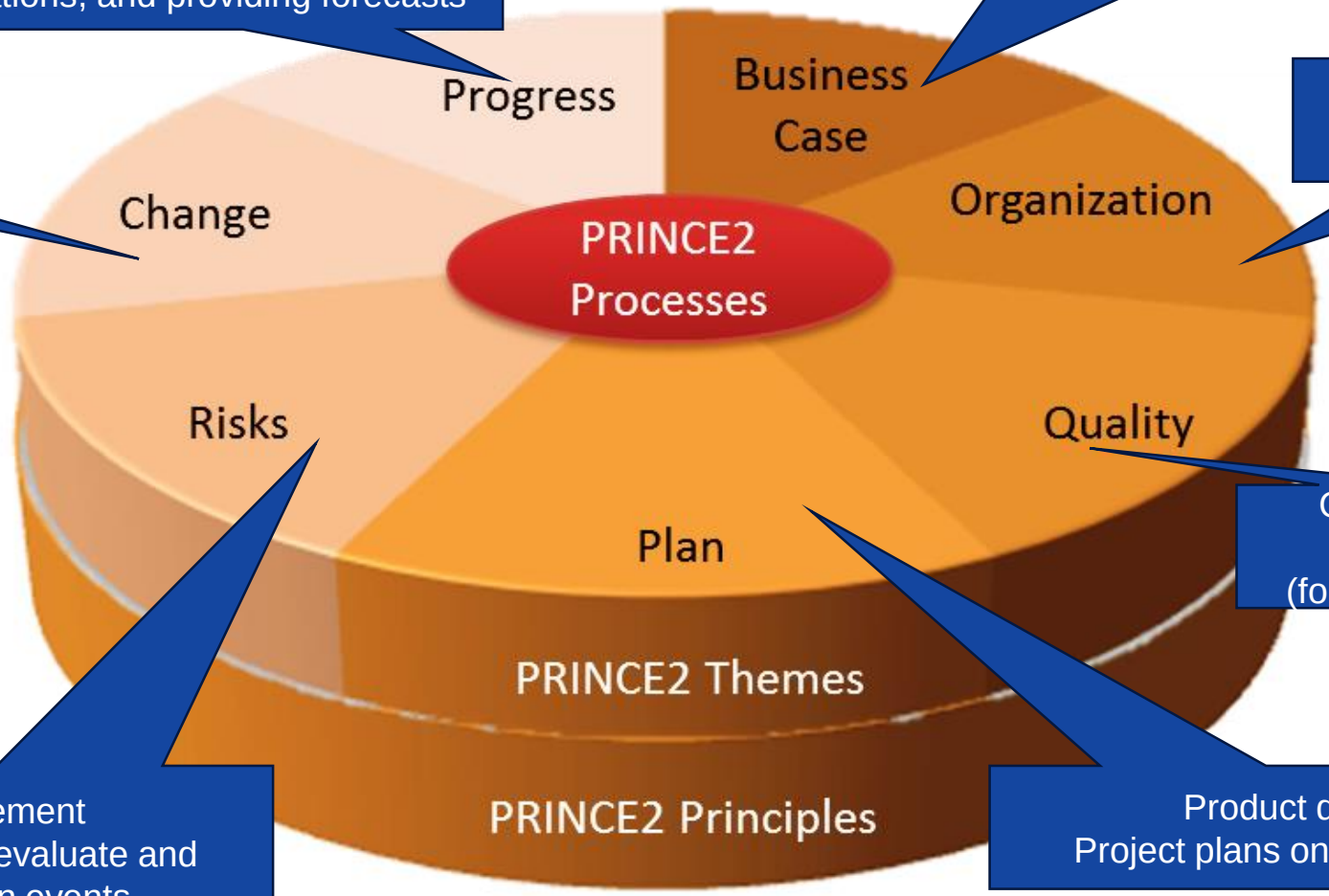
> **Project:** a managed set of interrelated activities and resources, including people, that delivers one or more products or services to a customer or end user. (CMMI- Capability Maturity Model Integration)

- It has well defined …
  - Start
  - End
  - Goal
  - Responsible
  - Team
- See also https://www.pmi.org/pmbok-guide-standards/foundational/pmbok

PRINCE2 Method

- A method of effective project management, originally developed for the UK government
- „PRojects IN Controlled Environments“
  - (PROMPT: 1975, PRINCE: 1989, PRINCE2: 1996, PRINCE2 v7: 2023)
- Defines performance targets as project goals
  - Time, cost, quality, scope, benefits, and risk
- Defines 4 levels of management
  - Corporate or Programme Management level, Project board level, Project manager level, and Delivery level

PRINCE2 Method – Themes



Establishing controls for monitoring actual project outcomes, managing deviations, and providing forecasts

Business Case
(continued business justification)

Change management

Communication protocols, management roles

Quality management
Quality assurance
(following specific cases)

Risk management
Anticipate, identify, evaluate and control uncertain events

Product definition
Project plans on different levels

Typical Project Documents

Project Definition Document / Charter (2-3 pages)	• Introducing the project goals • Project scope • Priority, risk, responsibilities in the project • Stakeholders, sponsors
Project Work Plan	• Goals, budget, activities, milestones, … • Tasks, deadlines, responsible persons, results • Specific methods for checking the results
Project Handbook	• Project objectives, the approach for achieving the project goal, the key controlling processes • Project „dictionary”, critical success factors, policies, rules, project mindset • Aspects beyond development (communication, conflict resolution, escalation procedure, etc.)
Quality Assurance Handbook	• For the whole project • Ow to measure what? Who may confirm what? (e.g. four-eyes-principle) • Checking and correction methods, verification specification • Products/processes to check
Final Project Report	• What was (not) achieved? • „Post-mortem”-Analysis • Development of the project, problems encountered, experiences, …

Aspects and Goals

- What can be reached simultaneously?

See also:
www.smartsheet.com/triple-constraint-triangle-theory

Project Leaders

- Sponsor
  - Responsible for the success of the whole project
  - Responsible for the strategic planning
  - Provides the necessary resources
  - Supports business decision making
  - Establishes/approves success criteria
- Project manager
  - Responsible for the execution of the project
  - Organising and controlling the activities
- Stakeholder
  - Not necessarily actively involved, but the project depends on him
  - Investor, customer, partner, regulatory authority, ...

Work Package

- Related tasks and activities
  - With jointly responsible results and costs
  - Responsible, resources
- Hierarchic decomposition of the project
  - Always necessary
  - WP as a concept, typically used for longer projects with multiple actors
- Outputs:
  - Deliverable: specific results

    “Software to manage student data” (software, but often a document)
  - Milestone: state of the project

    “Pilot version of SW to manage student data available for testing”
    (often submission of a specific document)

Deliverable

- Delivering a specific output
  - System design
  - Software, installation handbook
  - Research report
  - Test evaluation

Deliverable D3.1 – System design specification

Deliverable Number	D3.1	**Lead Beneficiary**	18. BME
Deliverable Name	System design specification		
Type	R — Document, report	**Dissemination Level**	PU - Public
Due Date (month)	12	**Work Package No**	WP3

Description
Requirements covering functional and extra-functional aspects, detailed architecture design and test specifications.

- Basis of evaluating/accepting the project
  - Deadline
  - Responsible person

Deliverable D3.11 – Data veracity assurance BB

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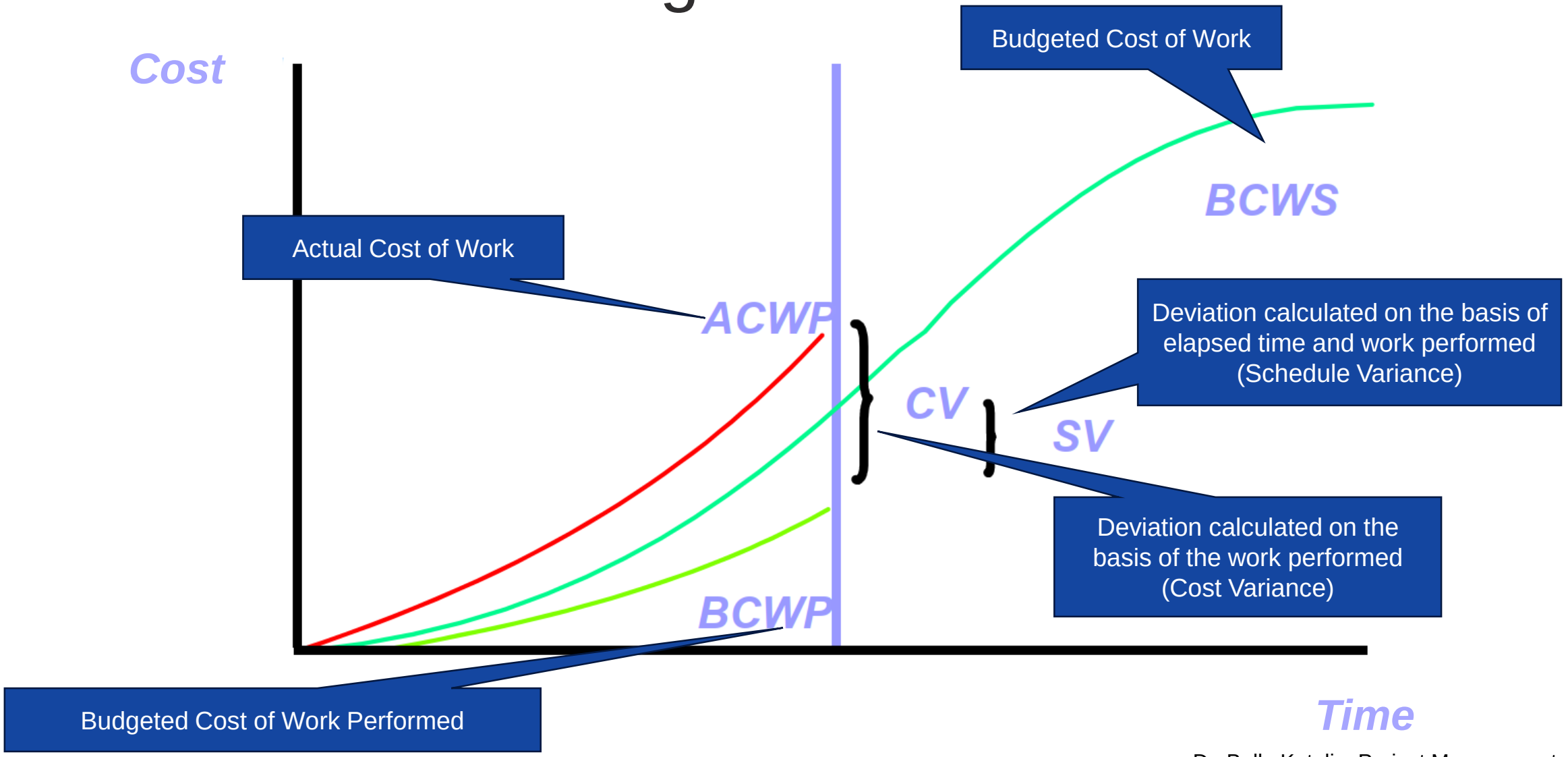
Deliverable Name	Data veracity assurance BB		
Type	DEM — Demonstrator, pilot, prototype	**Dissemination Level**	PU - Public
Due Date (month)	24	**Work Package No**	WP3

Description
Data veracity BB code released on PTX repos (tested version on month 24; operational version on month 36) Open source software, English

Following the Costs

Performance Management Chart



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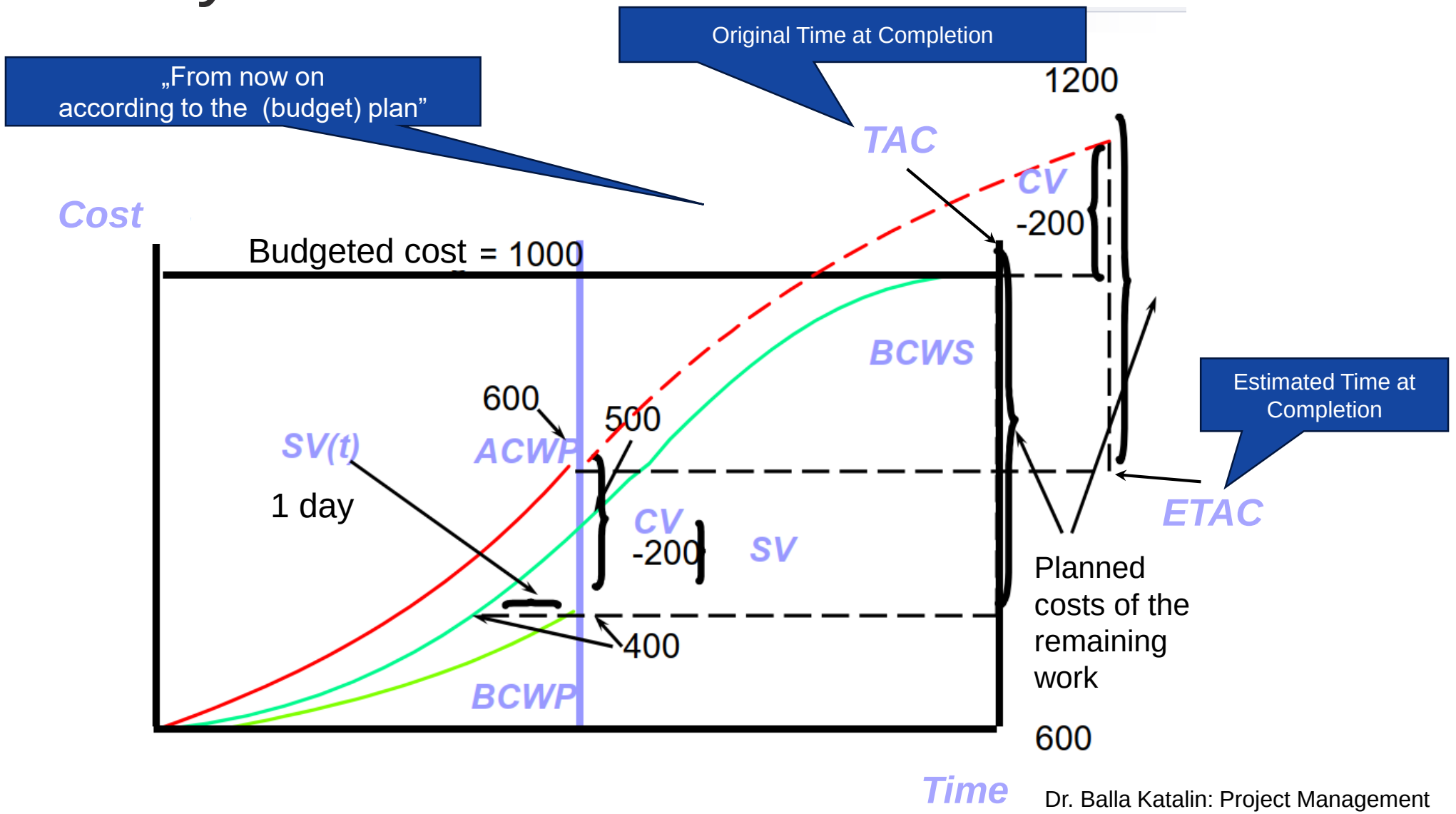
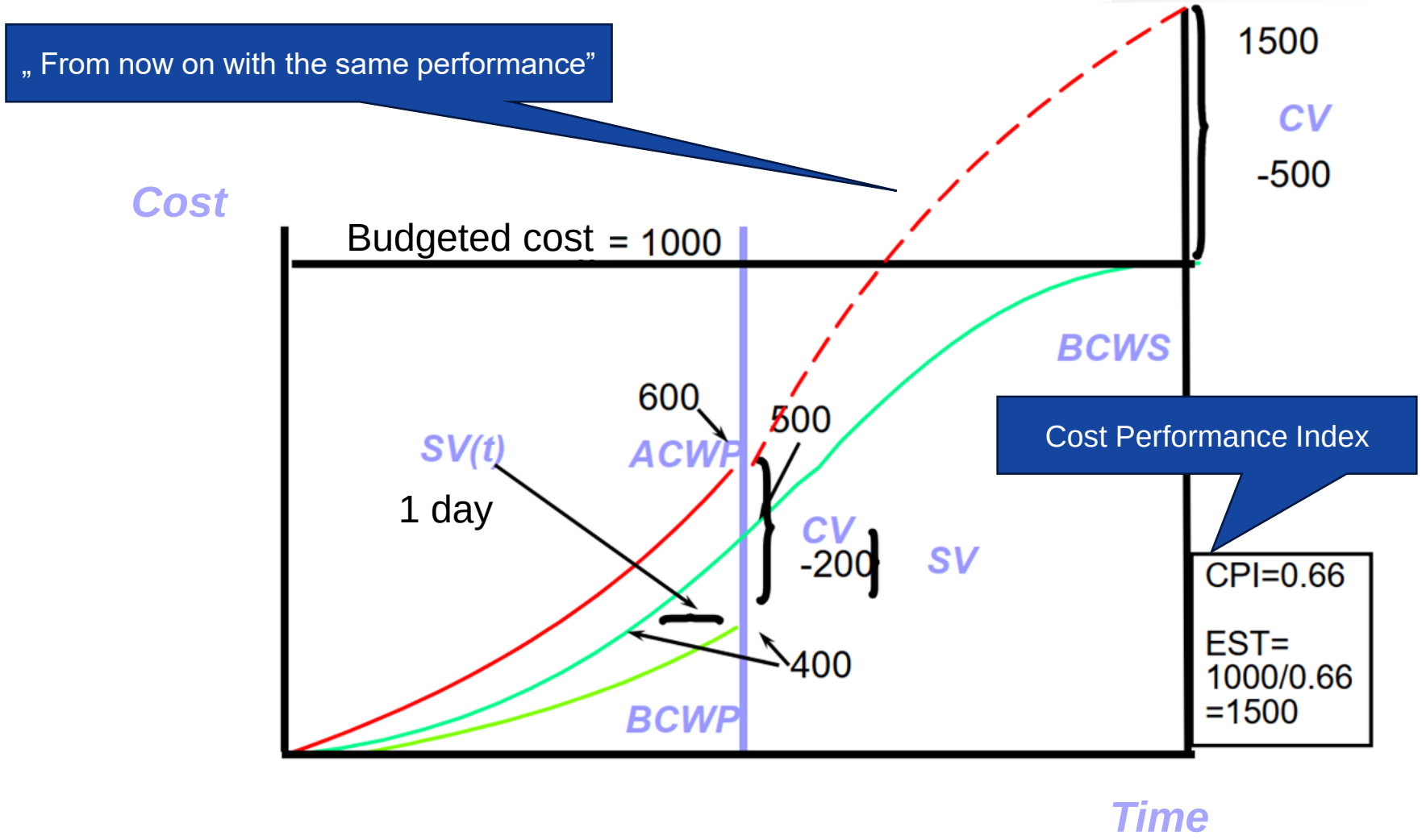


Estimation: by Current Performance



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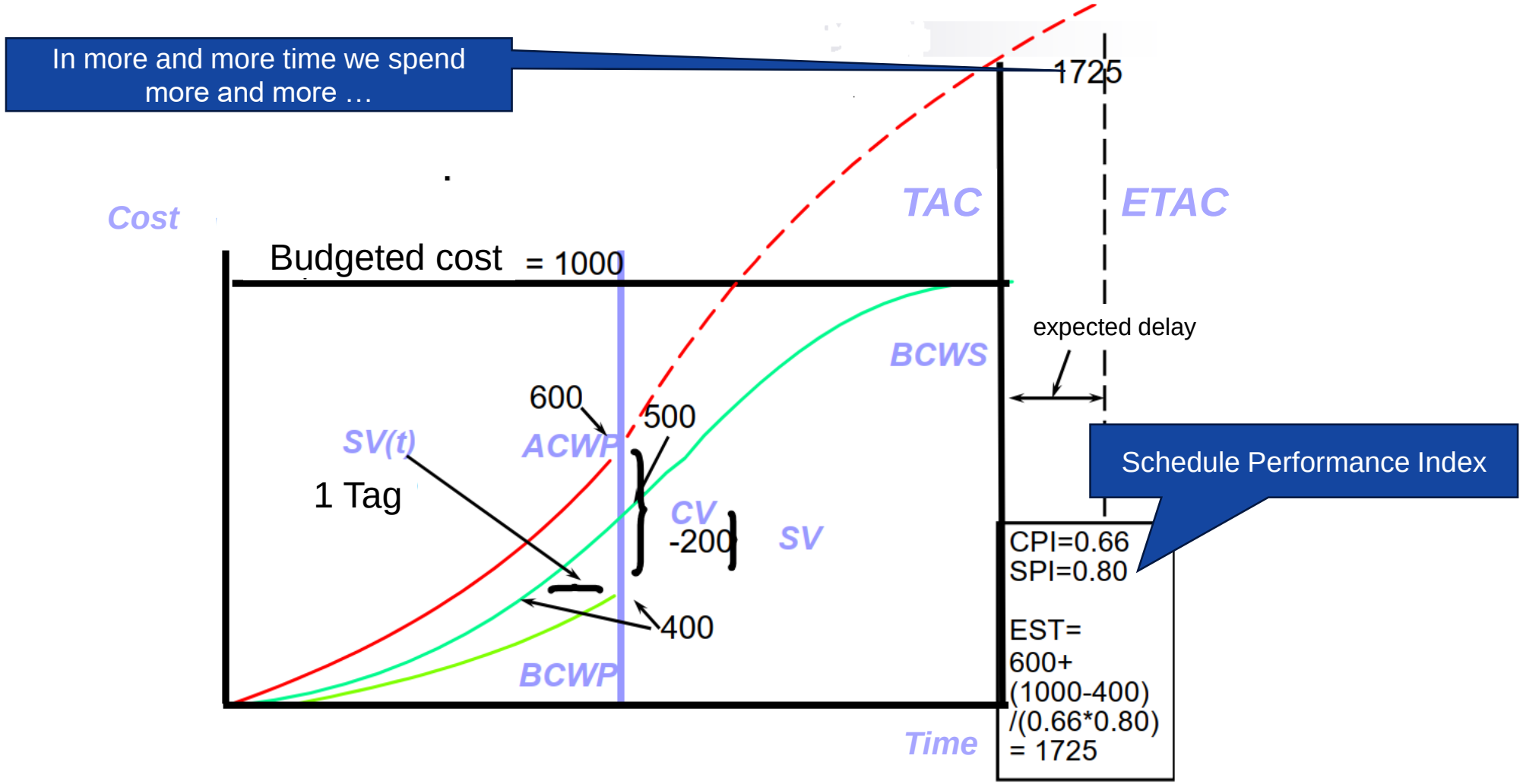

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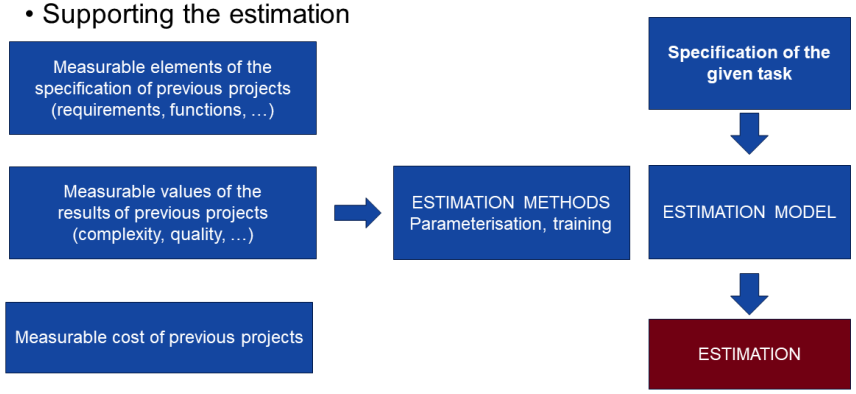

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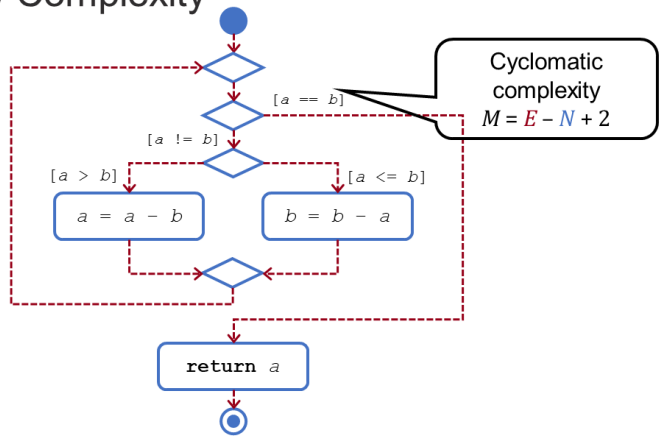

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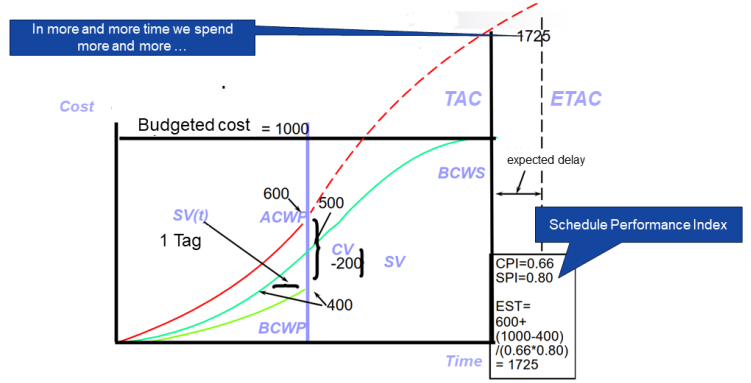

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