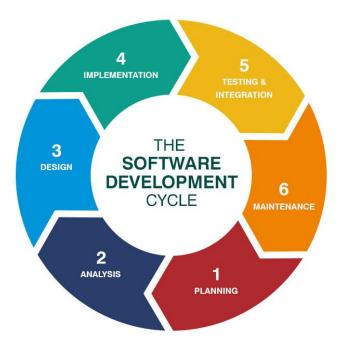
## **Testing**

Testing is an important part of the software development process but often one process which is often over looked (and squeezed) in terms of project time

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See this link for testing methodologies

http://softwaretestingfundamentals.com/software-testing-methods/

The testing you are going to carry out testing known as **Black-Box testing**, see this link <a href="http://softwaretestingfundamentals.com/black-box-testing/">http://softwaretestingfundamentals.com/black-box-testing/</a>

To do this 'test' you will need to following Python files:

- testing\_of\_afunction2\_sv2.py
- afunction2.pyc

This problem involves testing an algorithm the 'program' takes an integer input, called x and carries out a calculation using x the evaluation [the result] is returned to the calling program.

You will need to import the library is shown below

import afunction2 #this imports the file afunction2.pyc

For a given input [x] you would call the function .calc(x)

And the function will return a given value

afunction2.calc(x)

<u>Task:</u> Write a program that determines the maxima of this function. For maxima see http://www.mathsisfun.com/algebra/functions-maxima-minima.html

You should achieve this without any knowledge of the function [.calc(x)] is implemented in the code library.

You will only use the output values returned by the function .calc() for the given inputs to determine its maxima.

## **Hints**

- Begin by using a queue or stack keep track of what input [x] values you want to try and what the [y] output values are
- Determine the search space (values of x) that you want to explore (e.g., from -300 to 300).
- Also decide on the granularity at which you want to explore the search space (e.g., in increments of 20).
- Select values from the search space with the chosen granularity to feed as inputs to the simulator.
- Create a Work Queue/Stack task to run the simulator with a given input value.