Software Maintenance

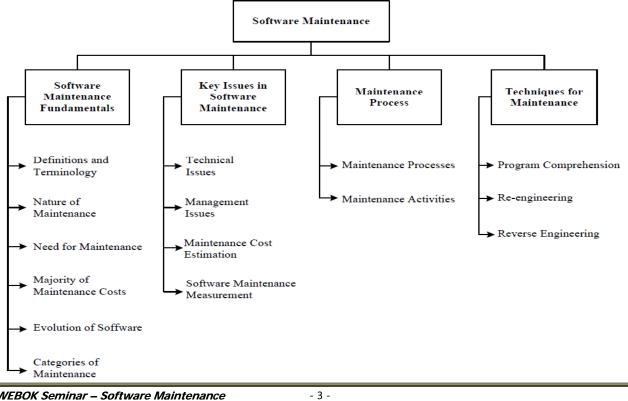


Software Maintenance Introduction

- ♦ When ?
 - ✓ The maintenance phase of the life cycle begins following a warranty period or post-implementation support delivery, but maintenance activities occur much earlier.
- Importance
 - ✓ Software maintenance is an integral part of a software life
 - ✓ .. By keeping software operating as long as possible.
- ◆ In the Guide, software maintenance is defined as
 - ✓ the totality of activities required to provide cost-effective support to software.
- Activities
 - ✓ Pre-delivery activities include planning for post-delivery operations, for maintainability, and for logistics determination for transition activities.
 - ✓ Post-delivery activities include software modification, training, and operating or interfacing to a help desk.

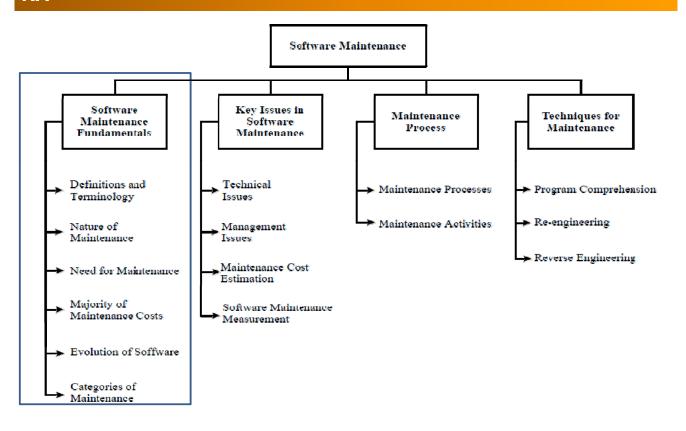
KA(Knowledge Area)

The Software Maintenance KA is related to all other aspects of software engineering.



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Definitions

- ♦ IEEE 1219,
 - ✓ the modification of a software product after delivery
 - ✓ maintenance activities prior to delivery of the software product,
- ◆ The IEEE/EIA 12207,
 - ✓ one of the primary life cycle processes
 - ✓ "modification to code and associated documentation due to a problem or the need for improvement. The objective is to modify the existing software product while preserving its integrity."
- ◆ ISO/IEC 14764,
 - ✓ emphasizes the pre-delivery aspects of maintenance, planning
- ◆ SW공학 백서 (2009", P20 chap2-5)
 - ✓ 유지보수란 개발이 종료된 SW가 사용자에 인수되고 설치되어진 후 일어나는 모든 SW공학적인 활동

Nature Of Maintenance

- Software maintenance sustains the software product throughout its operational life cycle.
 - ✓ Logged, Tracked, Determined(Code, Artifacts)
- Pfleeger [Pfl01] states that
 - ✓ "maintenance has a broader scope, with more to track and control" than
 development.
- ◆ A maintainer, its the primary activities (IEEE/EIA 12207) as
 - ✓ process implementation
 - ✓ problem and modification analysis;
 - ✓ modification implementation
 - √ maintenance review/acceptance
 - √ migration
 - ✓ and retirement.

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Need for Maintenance

- Maintenance is needed to ensure that the software continues to satisfy user requirements using any software life cycle model (for example, spiral).
- Objectives,
 - ✓ Correct faults, Improve the design, Implement enhancements, Interface with other systems
 - ✓ Adapt programs so that different hardware, software, system features, and telecommunications facilities can be used
 - ✓ Migrate legacy software, Retire software
- The maintainer's activities (Pfleeger [Pfl01]):
 - ✓ Maintaining control over the software's day-to-day Functions
 - ✓ Maintaining control over software modification
 - ✓ Perfecting existing functions
 - ✓ Preventing software performance from degrading to unacceptable levels

Majority of Maintenance Costs

- ♠ A common perception of software maintenance is that it merely fixes faults.
 - ✓ over 80%, of the software maintenance effort is used for non-corrective actions. [Abr93, Pig97, Pre01]
- Pfleeger [Pfl01] presents some of the technical and non-technical factors affecting software maintenance costs,
 - ✓ Application type
 - ✓ Software novelty(새로움의 정도)
 - ✓ Software maintenance staff availability
 - ✓ Software life span
 - ✓ Hardware characteristics
 - ✓ Quality of software design, construction,
 - ✓ documentation and testing

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Software Evolution

- ♦ [Leh97] Key findings include
 - ✓ the fact that maintenance is evolutionary developments
 - ✓ maintenance decisions aided by understanding what happens to systems (and software) over time.
 - ✓ Others state that maintenance is continued development, except that there is an extra input (or constraint)-existing large software is **never complete** and **continues to evolve**.
 - ✓ As it evolves, it grows more complex
- ◆ predictive models to estimate maintenance effort have been made ...
 - ✓ Maintenance & Support (ISBSG, UKSMA)
 - www.isbsg.org, www.uksma.co.uk
 - ✓ COCOMO 81 : exclusion of, renewed(> 50%) development
 - ✓ COCOMO II : COCOMO81 + Scale Parameters
 - √ IFPUG : EFP = (ADD + CHG + CFP) × VAFa + (DEL × VAFb)
 - ✓ Nesma : Impact Factor based UFP
 - ✓ Perfective Maintenance Estimation based on FP : same FP value based approach to both of Dev-side, MA-side
 - ✓ etc.

Categories of Maintenance

◆ ISO/IEC 14764

- ✓ Preventive maintenance (예방적) → Correction Category (순응적)
 - Modification of a software product after delivery to detect and correct latent faults in the software product before they become effective faults
- ✓ Corrective maintenance (교정적) → Correction Category (반응적)
 - Reactive modification of a software product performed **after delivery** to correct discovered problems
- ✓ Perfective maintenance (완전적) → Enhancement (순응적)
 - Modification of a software product after delivery to improve performance or Maintainability
- ✓ Adaptive maintenance (적응적) → Enhancement(반응적)
 - Modification of a software product performed after delivery to keep a software product usable in a changed or changing environment

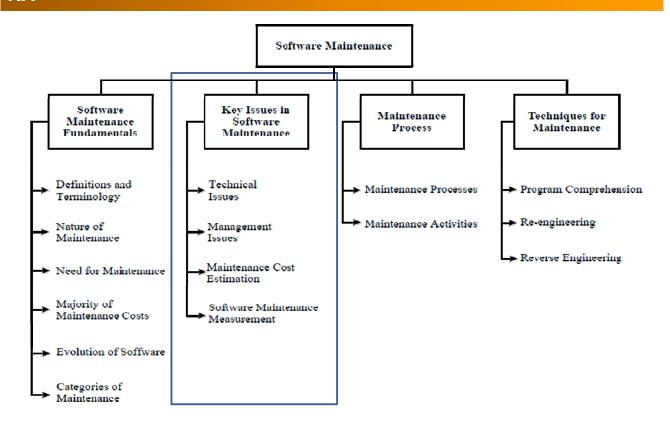
	Correction	Enhancement
Proactive	Preventive	Perfective
Reactive	Corrective	Adaptive

Table 1: Software maintenance categories

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Group of Issues

- ◆ A number of key issues
 - ✓ competing with software developers for resources is a constant battle.

 Planning for a future release, while coding the next release and sending out emergency patches for the current release, also creates a challenge.
- Grouping
 - ✓ Technical issues
 - ✓ Management issues
 - ✓ Cost estimation
 - ✓ Measures

Technical Issues

- Limited understanding
 - ✓ DEF) how quickly a software engineer can understand where ...
 - ✓ Research indicates that some 40% to 60% of the maintenance effort is devoted to understanding
 - ✓ more difficult in text-oriented representation, in source code,

Testing

- ✓ Regression testing: is important to maintenance.
 - But unintended effects, → no time)
- ✓ the challenge of coordinating tests when different members of the
 maintenance team are working on different problems at the same time
- ✓ it may be impossible to bring it offline to test.
- Impact analysis
- how to conduct, cost effectively,
- a complete analysis of the impact of a change in existing software

Maintainability

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Technical Issues

- ♦ Impact analysis
 - ✓ DEF) how to conduct, cost effectively, a complete analysis of the impact of a change in existing software
 - Impact analysis, Risk analysis by modification(MR, PR)
 - ✓ It is performed after a change request enters the software configuration management process. (Is it real?)
 - ✓ [Art88] states that the objectives of impact analysis
 - scope of a change ,estimates of resources, cost/benefits, Communication

Maintainability

- ✓ (IEEE [IEEE610.12-90]) defines maintainability as the ease with which
 software can be maintained, enhanced, adapted, or corrected to satisfy
 specified requirements.
- ✓ To reduce maintenance costs.
 - **Difficult**: not an important focus during the software development process.
 - Reviewed, controlled (be helped by systematic and mature processes, techniques, and tools)

Management Issues

- Alignment with organizational objectives
 - ✓ how to demonstrate the ROI of software maintenance activities.
 - ✓ But, Not Clear

← issues 1

• In contrast(Development), software maintenance often has the objective of extending the life of a software for as long as possible.

◆ Staffing

√ "second-class citizens"

← issues2

Process

✓ software maintenance activities shares much in common with software development
 ← issue 3 (management cost)

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Management Issues

- Organizational aspects of maintenance
 - ✓ DEF) how to identify which organization and/or function will be responsible
 - ✓ What is important is the delegation or assignment of the maintenance responsibility to a single group or person

Outsourcing

- ✓ less mission critical software, as companies are unwilling to lose control of the software used in their core business.
- ✓ McCracken (McC02) states that 50% of outsourcers provide services without any clear service-level agreement.

Cost Estimation Issues

Cost estimation

- ✓ Maintenance cost estimates are affected by many technical and non-technical factors.
- ✓ the use of parametric models , the use of experience[ISO14764-99:s7.4.1].

Parametric models

✓ [Boe81, Ben00] Of significance is that data from past projects are needed in order to use the models.

♦ Experience

Clearly, the best approach to maintenance estimation is to combine empirical data and experience.

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Measure Issues

- ◆ PSM project describes
 - ✓ an issue driven measurement process that is used by many organizations and is quite practical.
 - ✓ process and product measurement

→ SWE Process KA.

✓ The software measurement

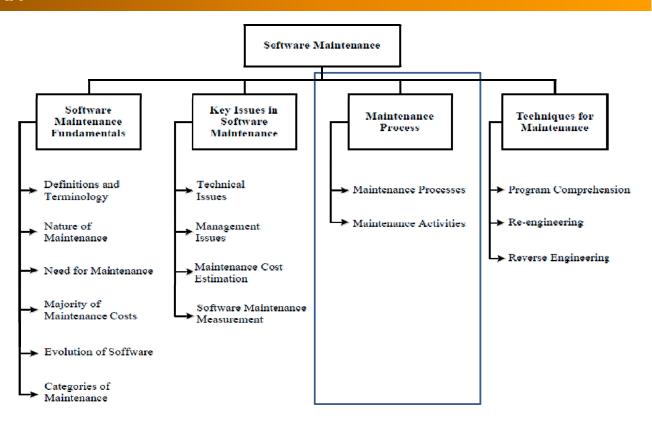
→ SWE Mgmt. KA

◆ Specific Measure

- ✓ The maintainer must determine which measures are appropriate for the organization in question.
- ✓ [IEEE1219- 98; ISO9126-01; Sta94] suggest
 - Analyzability (분석용이성)
 - Changeability (변경 용이성)
 - Stability (안정성)
 - Testability (시험 용이성)



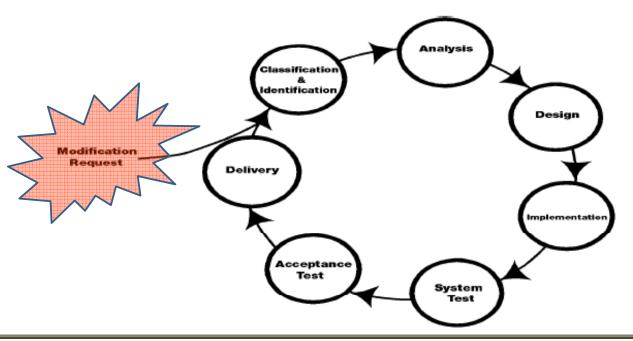
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Maintenance Process

◆ IEEE 1219-98

✓ starts with the software maintenance effort during the post-delivery stage and discusses items such as planning for maintenance.



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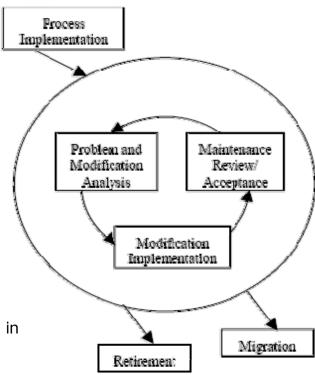
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Maintenance Process

- ◆ ISO/IEC 14764-00
 - ✓ Process Implementation
 - ✓ Problem and Modification Analysis
 - ✓ Modification Implementation
 - ✓ Maintenance Review/Acceptance
 - ✓ Migration
 - ✓ Software Retirement

◆ Etc...

- ✓ agile methodologies have been emerging which promote light processes
- ✓ Xtreme maintenance are presented in (Poo01)



Maintenance Activities

- Unique activities
 - ✓ Transition : Developer → Maintainer
 - ✓ Modification Request acceptance/rejection : can be rerouted to a developer
 - ✓ Modification Request and Problem Report Help Desk : end-user support function
 - ✓ Impact Analysis
 - ✓ Software Support : a request for information (Give me last month retrievals !~)
 - ✓ SLAs and specialized domain-specific) maintenance contracts

Supporting activities

✓ planning, software configuration management, verification and validation, software quality assurance, reviews, audits, and user training.

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Maintenance Activities

Maintenance planning activity

✓ Business planning (organizational level)

→ ISP

✓ Maintenance planning (transition level)

→ PM

• Concept Document [ISO14764-99:s7.2]

Scope, Adaptation(process), Identification(organization), estimation cost

✓ Release/version planning (software level)

→ SCM

• Collect the dates of availability of individual requests

: sizing

Agree with users on the content of subsequent releases/versions

: Contract

Identify potential conflicts and develop alternatives

: Risk Mgmt

Assess the risk of a given release

: Assess,

Inform all the stakeholders

: Coordination

✓ Individual software change request planning (request level)

→ SRS/SLA

• Guideline: IEEE 1219, ISO/IEC 14764,

- ◆ Software configuration management
- Software quality

Maintenance Activities

- ◆ Software configuration management
 - ✓ software configuration management as a critical element(V&V, audit, authorize, implement, release..) of the maintenance process. [IEEE 1219]
 - ✓ SCM for software maintenance is different
 - the number of small changes that **must be controlled** on operational software.

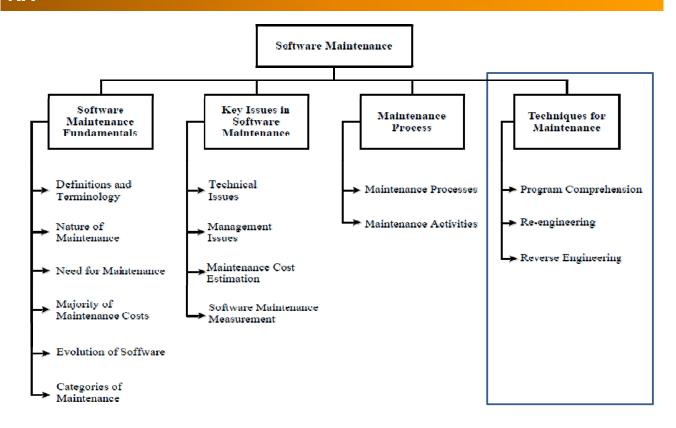
◆ Software quality

- ✓ The activities and techniques for Software Quality Assurance (SQA), V&V, reviews, and audits
- ✓ Adapt SW Dev. Process, techniques and deliverables, is recommended [ISO 14764]

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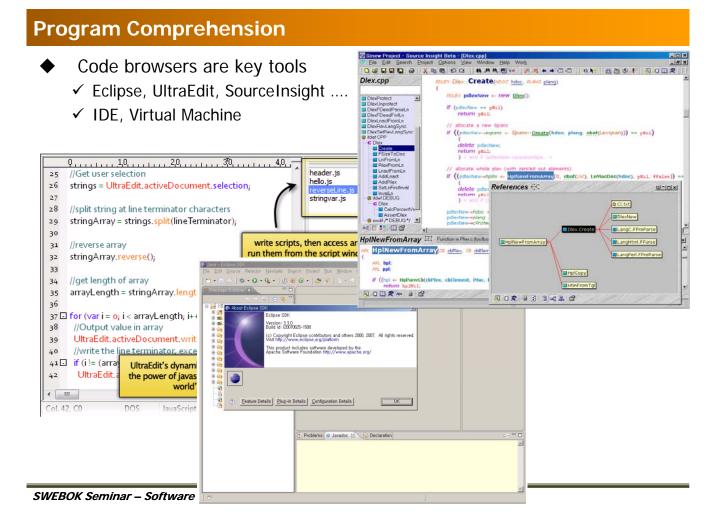
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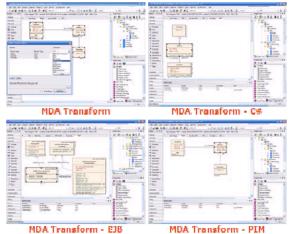
Reengineering

- DEF) the examination and alteration of software to reconstitute it in a new form, and includes the subsequent implementation of the new form.
 - ✓ Expensive form of alteration
 - ✓ It is often not undertaken to improve maintainability, but to replace aging legacy software.

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Reverse engineering

- ◆ DEF) the process of analyzing software to **identify** the software's components and their interrelationships and to create representations of the software in another form or at higher levels of abstraction.
 - ✓ it does not change the software, or result in new software.
 - ✓ produce call graphs and control flow graphs from source code.



http://case-tools.org/reverse_engineering.html

