

# Quality Management 444

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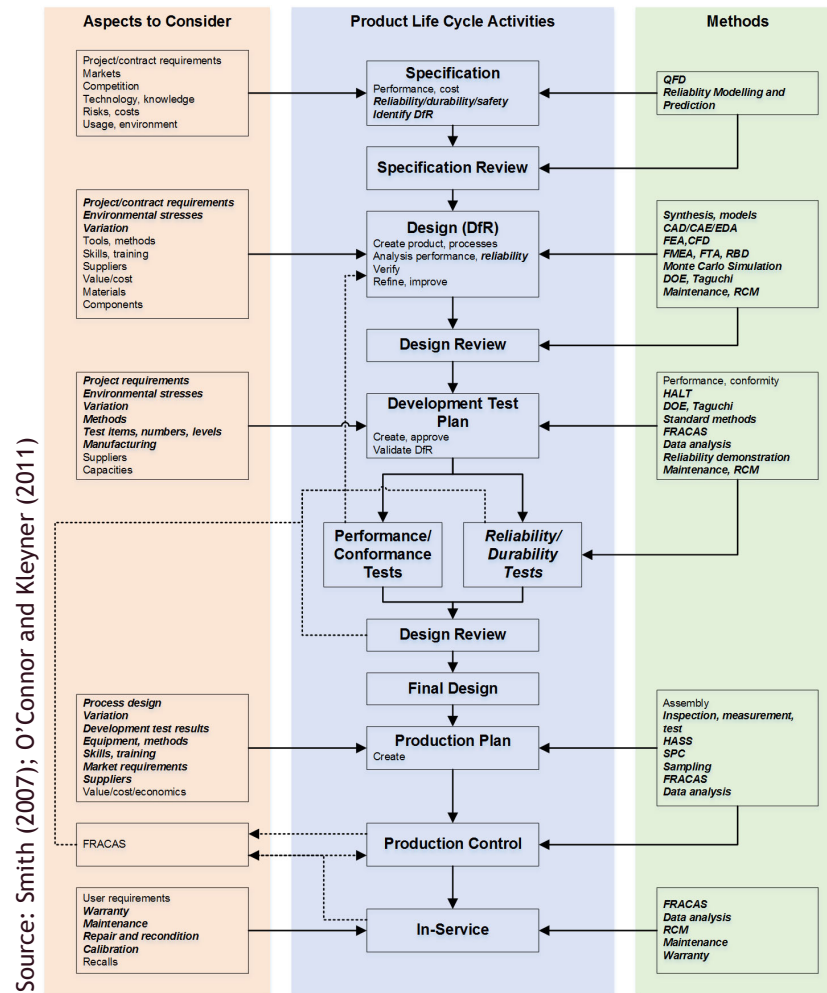
Week 1: Introduction to Quality Management and  
Reliability Engineering and -Methods

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# Agenda

- Introduction to Reliability Engineering
- Reliability Modelling
- Component Importance
- Data Analysis:
  - Functions and terminology
  - Failure data
  - Failure timelines
    - Importance of chronological data
  - Selecting an appropriate model
  - Laplace trend test
  - Non-repairable systems - Weibull
  - Repairable systems - NHPP
- Availability

# Product Life Cycle

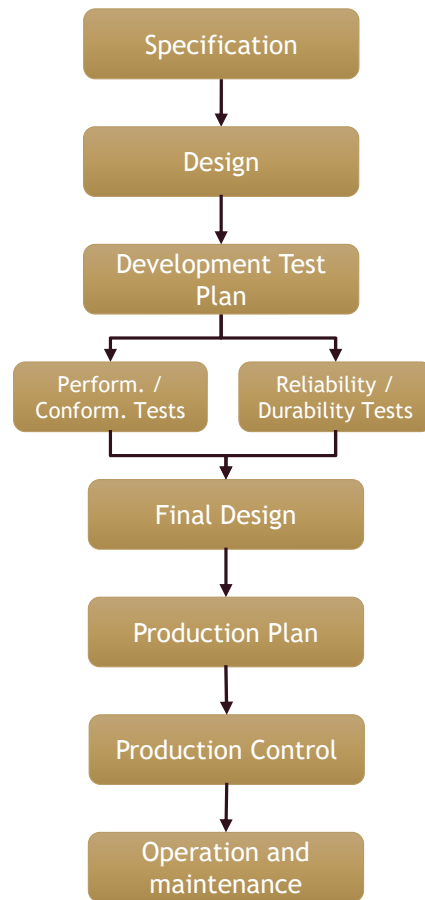


Design for Reliability (DfR)

Quality Assurance

Reliability

# Quality vs. Reliability



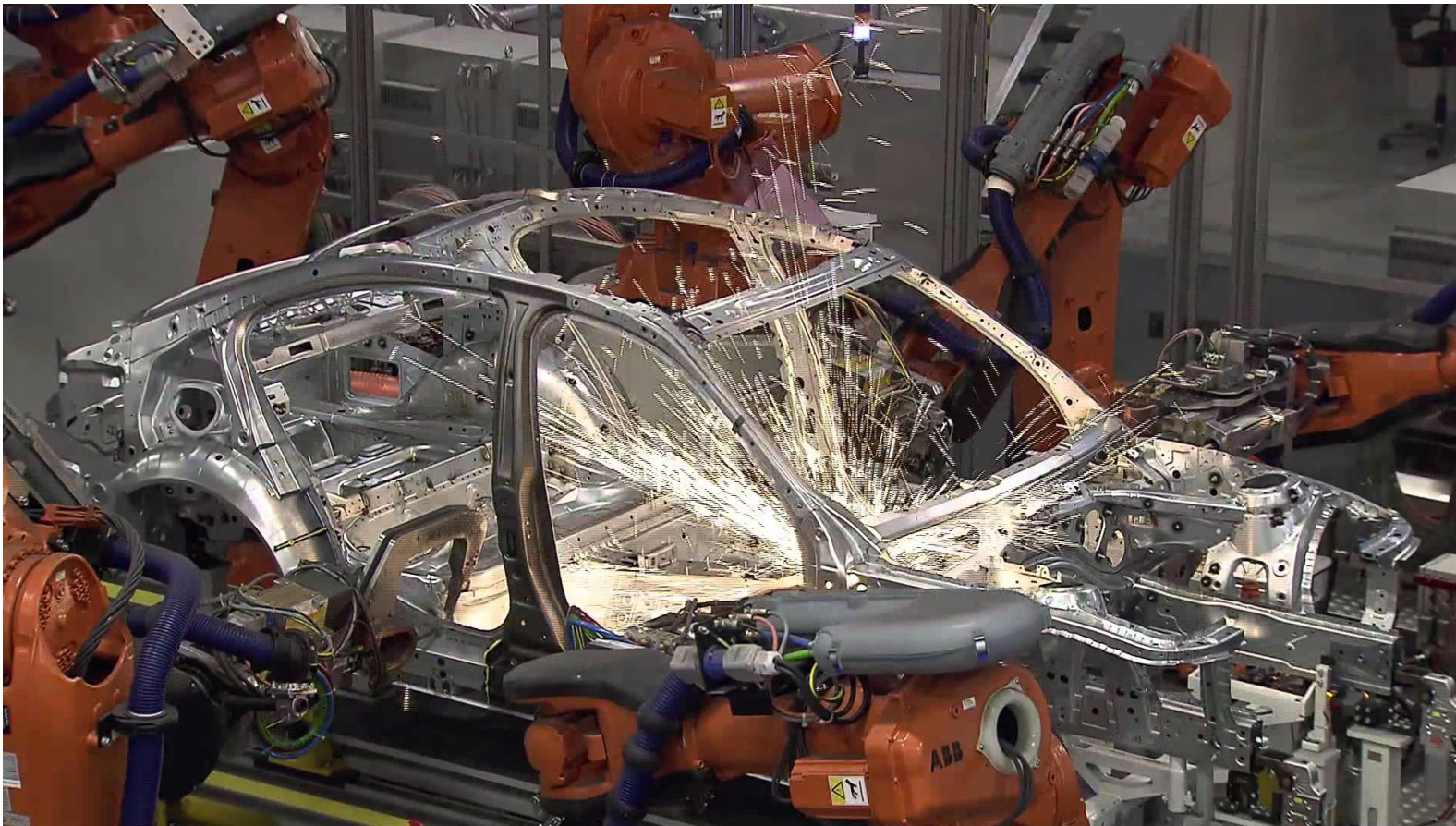
Quality is:

- the conformance to requirements at the start of use

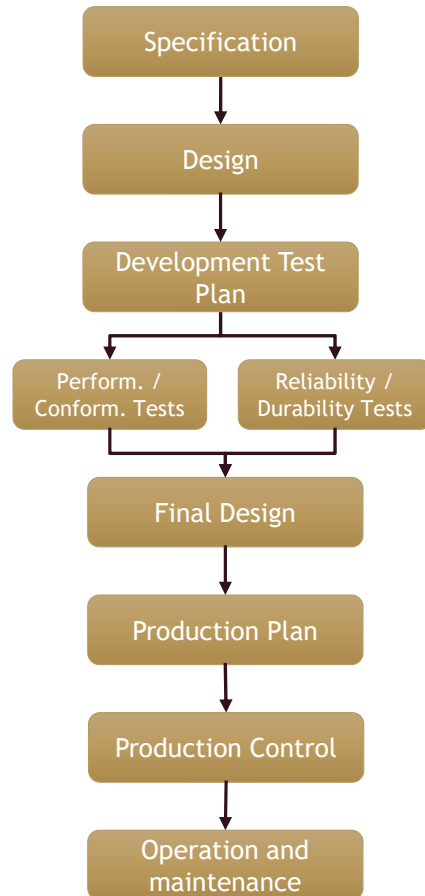
Reliability is:

- a time-based concept for quality
- Probability that something will perform its required function without failure under stated conditions for a specified period of time

# What quality related observations can you make?



# Product Life Cycle Perspective

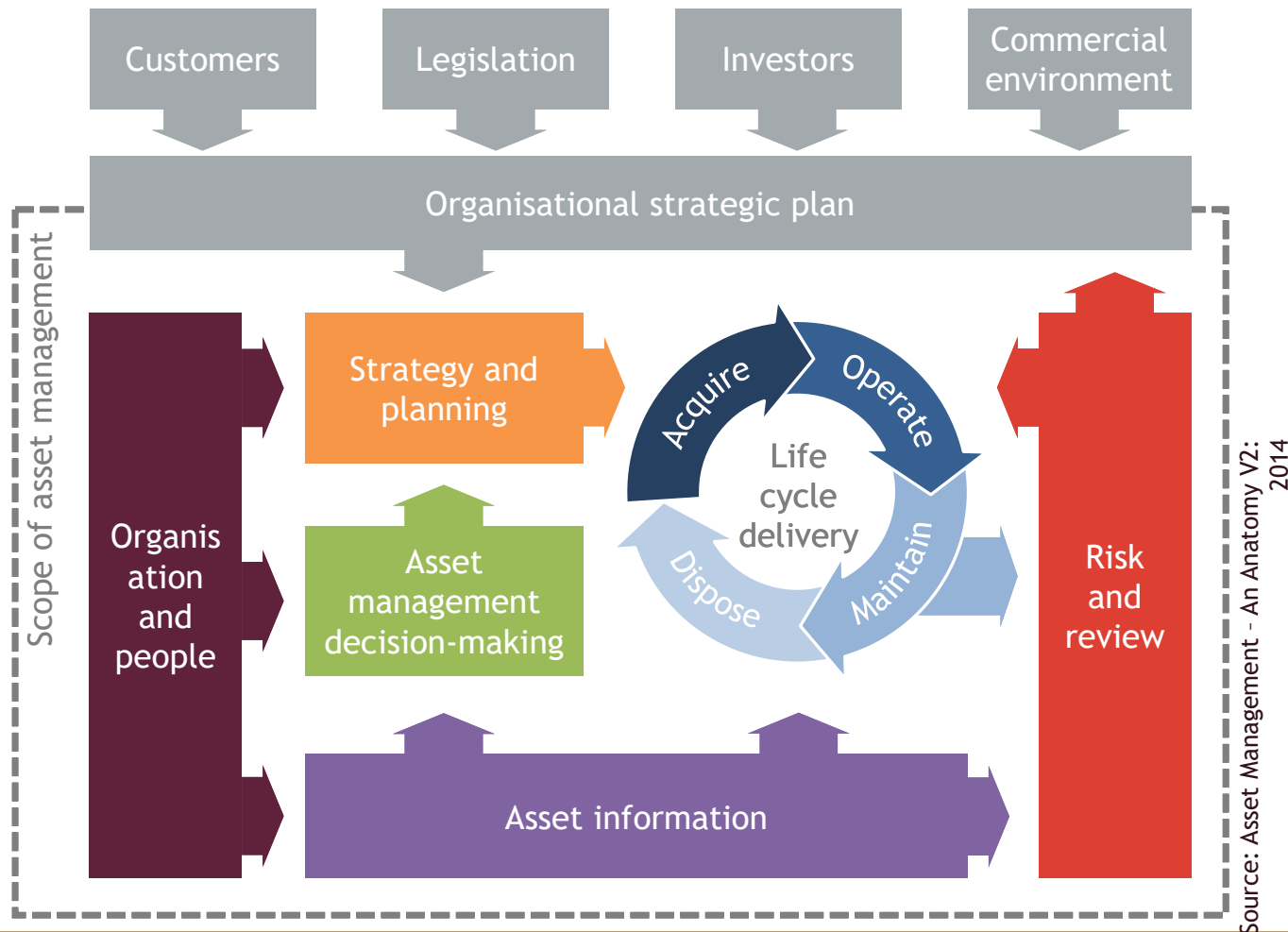


Quality Assurance

Reliability

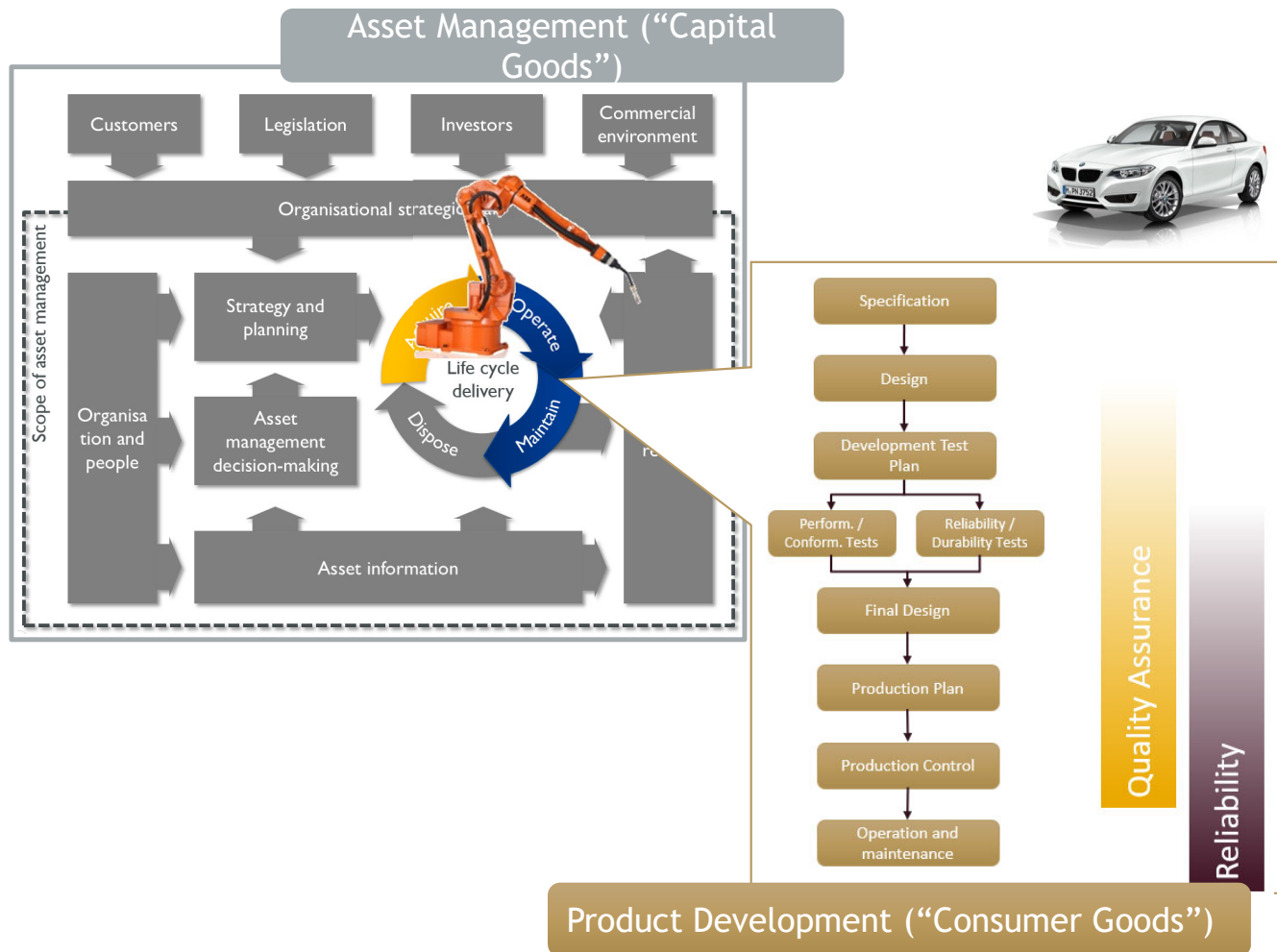


# Asset Management Perspective





# Tiers of Reliability and Quality Management





# What is reliability engineering?



Time Domain



Uncertainty



Definition



Maths & Stats



Management & Integration



Objectives

- Apply knowledge/techniques to prevent failures
- Identify and correct causes of failures
- Find ways to cope with failure
- Estimate and analyse reliability

The probability that an item will perform a required function without failure under state conditions for a stated period of time

# Why do engineering products fail?

- Incapable design

(too weak, too much power)

- Overstress

(applied stress, exceeds strength)

- Variation

- Sneaks

(system fails, parts working)

- Errors

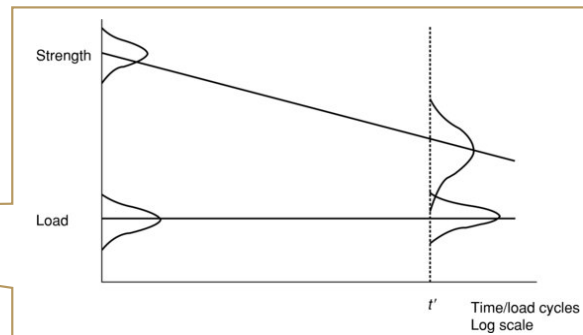
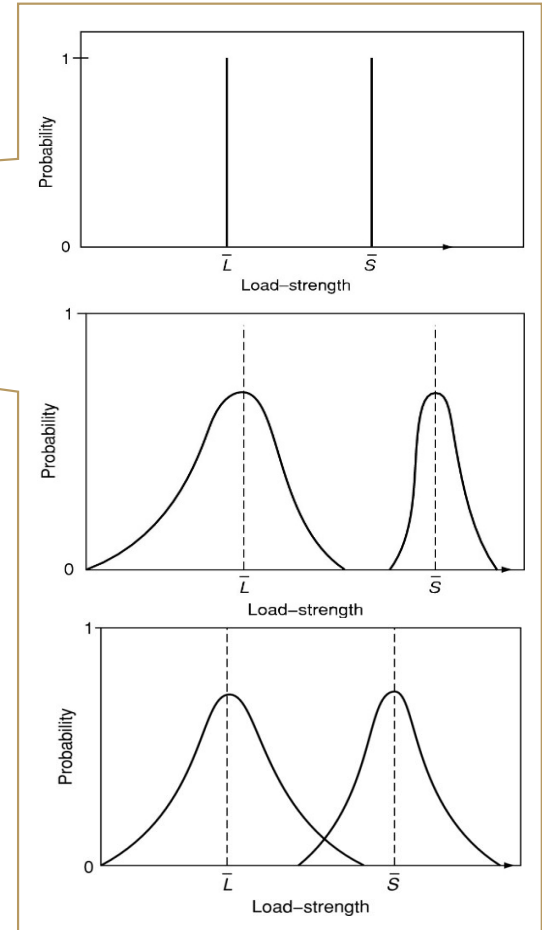
(Incorrect spec, design, coding)

- Time-dependent mechanisms

(i.e. battery run-down)

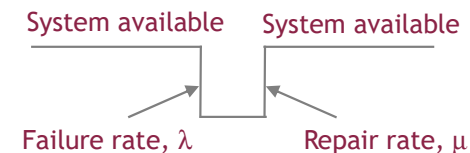
- Wear-out

(weaker with time)



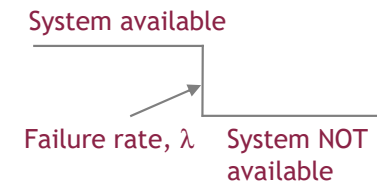
# Repairable Systems

- Systems which are repaired when they fail
- R = survival probability over life with more than one failure
- Failure rate,  $\lambda$  known as:
  - Rate of occurrence of failures (ROCOF)
- Mean time between failures (MTBF) =  $\frac{T}{k}$ 
  - T = Total cumulative time
  - k = number of failure
- Availability and Maintainability important
  - Maintainability:  $MTTR = \frac{1}{\mu}$ , where  $\mu$  = repair rate
  - Availability =  $\frac{MTBF}{MTBF + MTTR} = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu}$

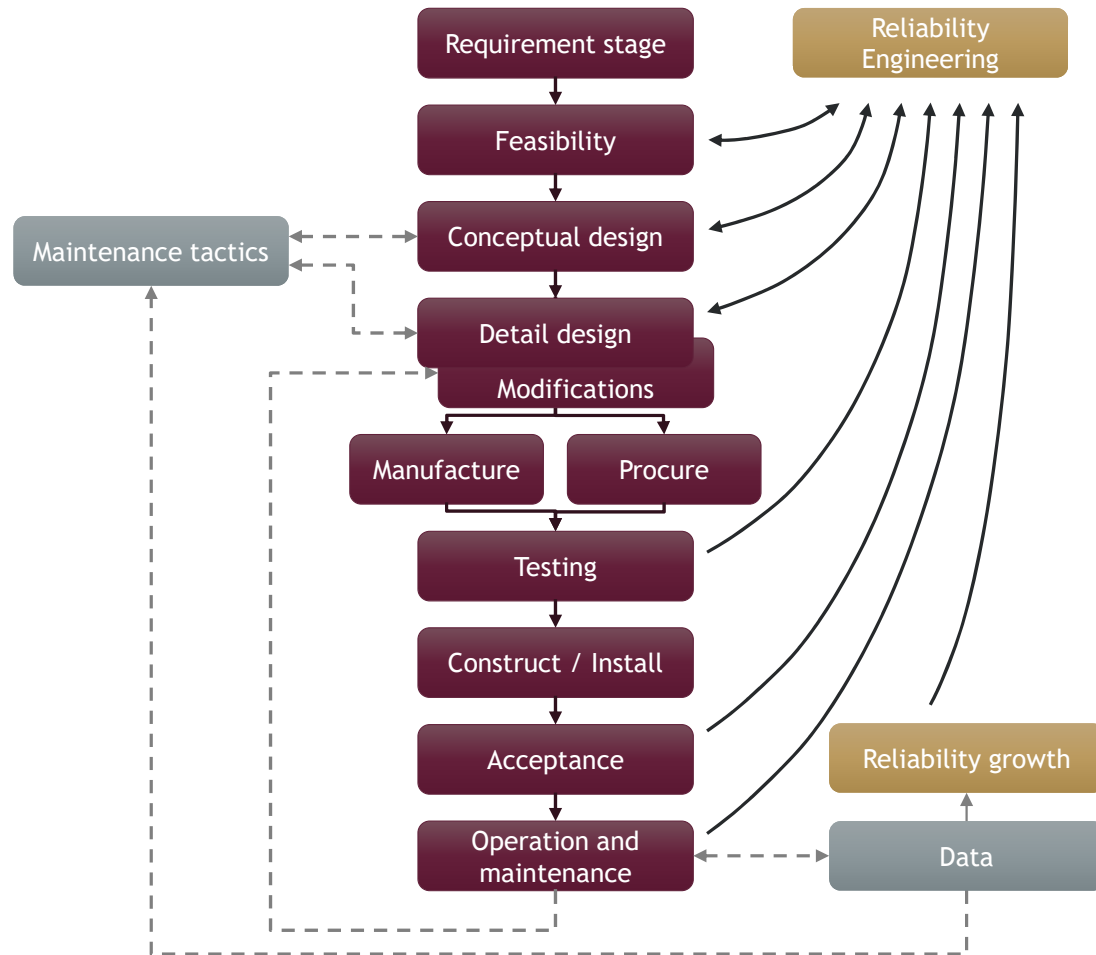


# Non-Repairable Systems

- Systems which are not repaired when they fail
- $R$  = survival probability over life with one failure
- Failure rate,  $\lambda$  known as:
  - Hazard rate,  $h(t)$
  - Instant. probability of first and only failure
- Mean time to failure (MTTF) =  $\frac{T}{k}$ 
  - $T$  = Total cumulative time
  - $k$  = number of test failures
- Examples:

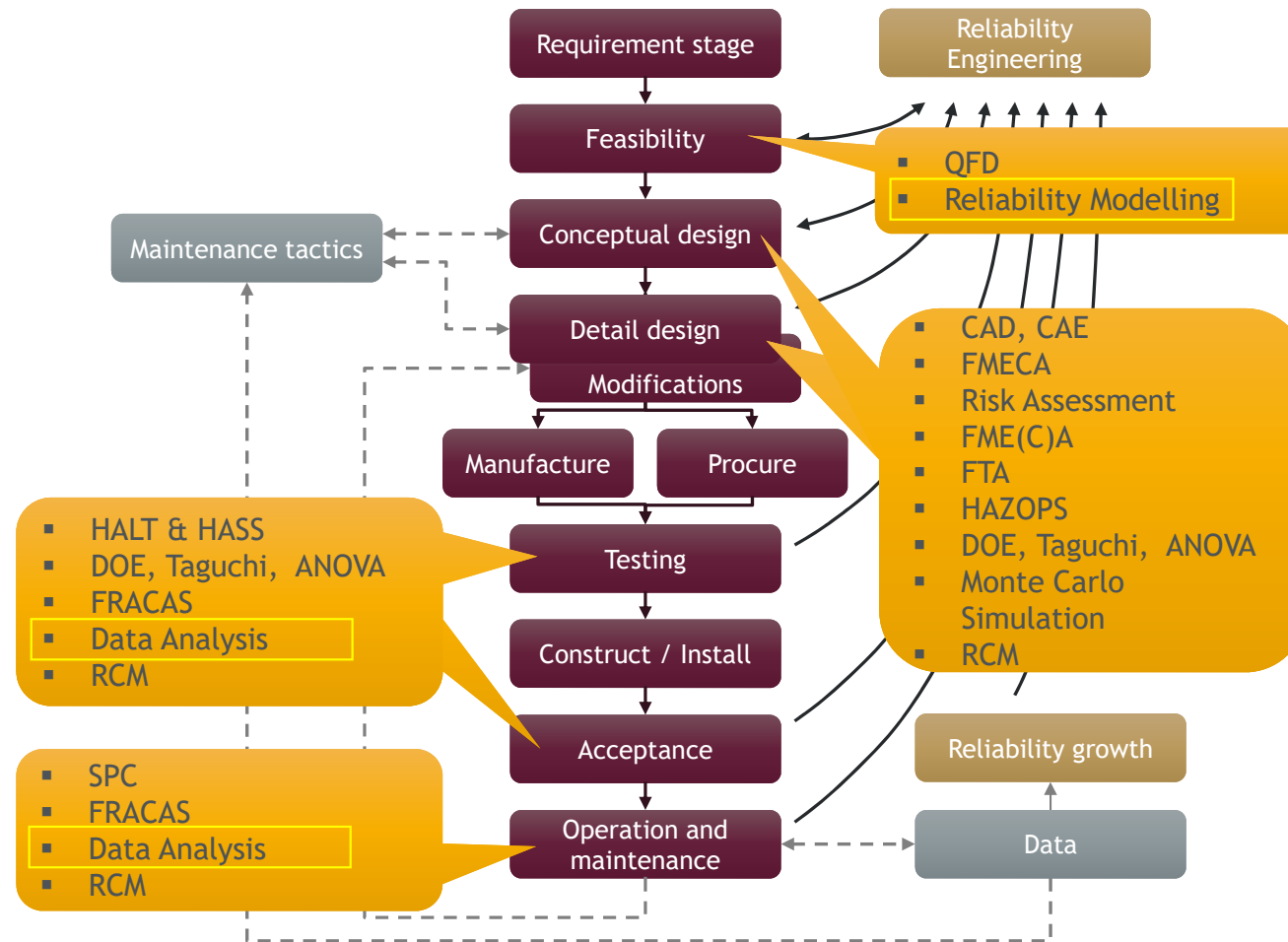


# Integrated Reliability Programme



Source: Smith (2007); O'Connor and Kleyner (2011)

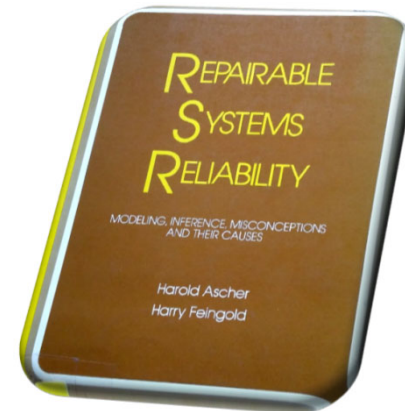
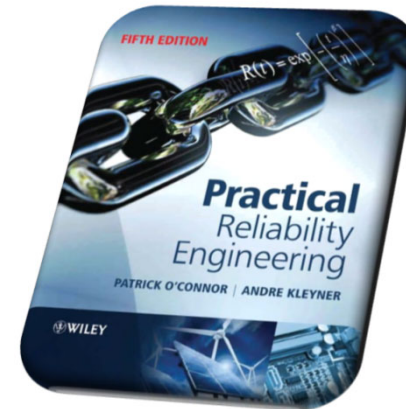
# Reliability Engineering Methods



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# Must-have Reliability References

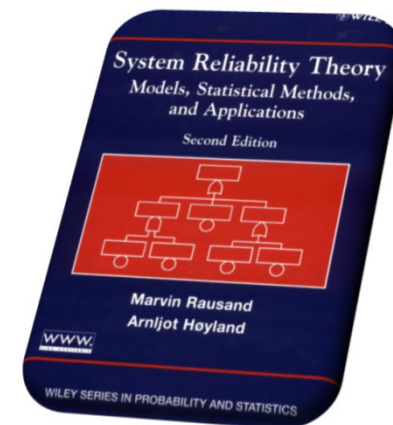
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