

## Lectures

### L0 and L1

**Software engineering** is systematic, disciplined, quantifiable approach to the development, operation, and maintenance of software

#### Software Crisis 1.0 and 2.0

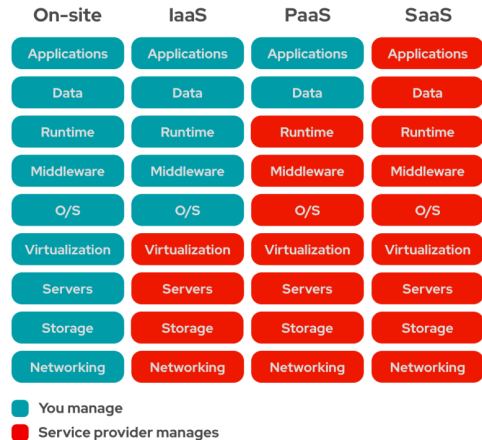
- (1.0) development of more powerful machinery
- (2.0) growing demand for more complex software due to hardware advances, cost reduction, data reduction, data availability, device proliferation and the rise in consumer technology

#### Software at the Edge

- Balance between the demands of centralized computing and localised decision making
- Cloud-based: latency that makes it unsuitable for real-time applications
- Edge: Limited computation power and power source

#### Cloud Computing

- Software infrastructure hosted on an external data centre
- Cloud-enabled: Legacy enterprise applications designed for local datacentres but modified to run on the cloud
- E.g IAAS, PAAS, SAAS



<https://www.redhat.com/en/topics/cloud-computing/iaas-vs-paas-vs-saas>

#### Cloud-native applications

- The approach to build, deploy and manage modern applications in cloud computing environments
- Characteristic features:
  - Immutable infrastructure
  - Microservices-based applications
  - API driven
  - Service mesh
  - Containers
  - Dynamically managed
- Monolith: There will be API end points to gain certain functionalities
- Microservice model (cloud-native) is similar to monolith except that functionalities are provided for you

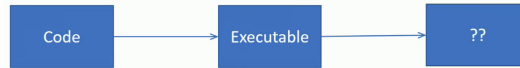
#### Deployment Considerations

##### Quality Attributes

- Availability, performance, security, usability, interoperability, scalability, maintainability, portability, reusability

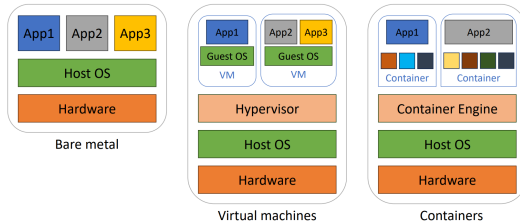
##### Issues

- Exploit hardware advances
- Cater to devices
- Network devices, users, applications
- Manage Data
- Large-scale content delivery, quality of service, number of end points
- Shift towards cloud-nativity
- Heterogeneity platforms, interoperability of different OS/Browser/Platform combinations



##### Code to executable - Bare metal

- catering to specific platforms
- customized build and linking
- Factors: availability of libraries and dependencies
- Cons: Potentially wasted hardware resources, cost, developer productivity, scalability (hardware, software)
- Pros: Complete control, physical isolation



#### Virtual Machines

- Improve resource utilization and cost
- Flexible (not limited to hardware like baremetal) and scalable, runs on different hardware
- Still runs a full OS
- Side-channel attacks: VMs share the same physical hardware, so they can be attacked by exploiting the shared resources
- Noisy neighbor: VMs compete for resources, so one VM can hog the resources and affect the performance of other VMs

#### Containers

- Lighter than VM (only has OS processes and libraries)
- Better utilization of hardware resources
- Allows for rapid deployment, runs everywhere
- Granular and controllable
- Abstracts away the hardware (managed by container engine) so it can run on any hardware – improves performance
- Reproducible, isolation, security
- Cons: not suitable for performance critical software since containers go through more layers than VMs or bare metal

#### Containerised Deployment

- Easy integration of the internet and related advances (build cloud-native apps)

- Include runtime with code (caters to heterogeneous platforms and achieves interoperability and portability)
- Supports dependant and change management (improves maintainability and portability)
- Environment management (dockerfile provides the environment description)
- Reproducible (guaranteed to be identical on container-capable systems)
- Isolation and security (avoid conflicting dependencies and provides sand-box for execution)
- Quick to launch
- Support DevOps best practices
- Can be used with orchestrators (e.g Kubernetes)

#### Container Vs orchestrator

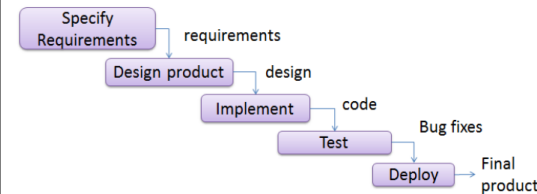
- Containers: Provide platform for building and distributing services. Not good for running complex applications, often requiring multiple containers that each do specific tasks
- Orchestrators: Integrate and coordinate containers, providing scaling of deployment based on demand, fault tolerance, and communication among containers

#### Serverless

- Cloud-native deployment model, servers and underlying infrastructure still exist but are abstracted away
- Developers package containers, apps respond to demand and there are no cost when idle
- Serverless allocate resource dynamically for the developer
- Good for stateless applications (the state does not matter outside of the current execution)

## L2: Software Development

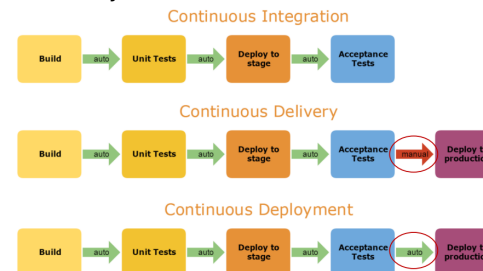
#### Waterfall



- Good for stable well-understood specifications, familiar domain and solution
- Variation: have feedback loops

#### Scrum

#### CI CD Delivery



- CI is a dev practice that requires devs to integrate code into a shared repository several times a day
- Each check in is automatically verified, allowing for early error detection

- Continuous Delivery Vs Deployment: Software can be automatically released into production at any time

#### benefits

- low-risk releases
  - faster time to market and early feedback
  - higher quality and lower cost
- Blue-green deployment:** Maintain two copies of production environment, one active and one inactive. When a new version is released, it is deployed to the inactive environment and tested. Once it is verified, the inactive environment is switched to active

#### DevOps

- Communication and collaboration
- Infrastructure as code
- monitoring and logging and integration
- Software Reliability Engineer: Create software that improve the reliability of sys in prod, fix issues, respond to bugs, and on-call

#### Recent trends

- AI to automate CI/CD
- Pattern detection in code base to detect vulnerabilities
- Collaborating with AI to do code sequence prediction and generation, brainstorm solutions, rapid prototyping

#### Risks

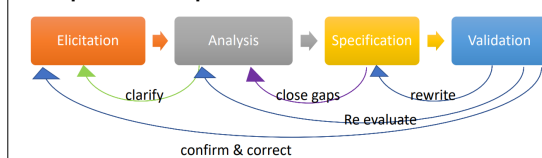
- Garbage in garbage out
- Traceability of the source
- Data safety
- Susceptible to vulnerabilities
- Increasing technical debt

## L2: Software Requirements

#### Definition

- Capabilities needed by a user to solve a problem or achieve an objective
- Capabilities must be met or possessed by a system component
- documented representation of the above
- Usage centric:** As a user, I can ....
- Product centric:** [Refinement] the system will support the following ...

#### Four phases of requirements dev



- Elicitation: discover requirements (docs, interviews, surveys, event-response tables, prototyping, observations)
- Analysis: negotiate requirements, identify gaps
- Specifications: written and illustrated requirements for comprehension
- Validation: Confirm correct set of requirements that will enable developers to build a solution

#### SRS

#### SRS Vs Product backlog

- Both inform what to be done
- Product backlog facilitates with planning while SRS is an in-depth

**Qualities of strong SRS**

**FR Vs NFR**

- FR specifies what the system should do

- E.g. The passenger shall be able to print boarding passes
- NFR describes something not directly related to the functionality of the system

- E.g. Mean time between failure  $\geq$  900ms
- NFR affects system choice and design

**Software Quality Attributes**