

CSE 423: Software Engineering

Introduction to Software Engineering

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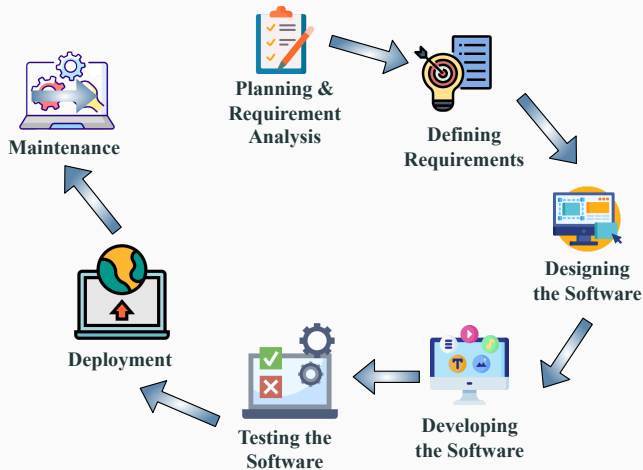
Software Development Life Cycle

Need for SDLC

- Developing s/w in a **disciplined** and **systematic** manner
- Helps while working in a team

There are **seven** major steps in the software development life cycle

SDLC Life Cycle i



Planning and requirement analysis

- Most **important** and **necessary** stage in SDLC.
- Business analyst of Product manager will set up a **meeting with the client** and **gather the requirements**.
- **Feasibility Study:** Assessment of the practicality of a proposed project. It helps decision-makers determine whether or not a proposed project or investment is likely to be successful.

Defining Requirements

- Once the requirement is understood, the SRS (**Software Requirement Specification**) document is created.
- Contains all the **product requirements** to be **constructed** and **developed** during the project life cycle.

Designing the Software

- This phase is the **product** of last **two stages**
- Bring down all the **knowledge of requirement and analysis** and **design** the software.

Developing the Project

- The **actual development** begins
- Developers follow the **coding guidelines** defined by the management and use various **programming tools** to develop the software.

Testing

- Tested against the requirements to make sure that the products are **solving the needs addressed** and **gathered** during the requirements stage.

Deployment

- Once the software is **certified**, and **no bugs or errors** are stated, then it is **deployed**.

Maintenance

- In this stage, the client starts using the developed systems, then the **real issues** come up and **requirements are solved** from time to time.

General Principles of Software Engineering

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David Hooker proposed seven principles that focus on software engineering.

Principle

A principle is a kind of **rule**, **belief**, or **idea** that guides you

The First Principle: The Reason It All Exists

- A software system exists for **one** reason: *to provide value to its users*.
- Before specifying a **system requirement**/noting a piece of **system functionality**/determining the **hardware platforms** or **development processes**, ask yourself questions such as: “**Does this add real value to the system?**”

The Second Principle: Keep It Simple, Stupid!

- *All design should be as simple as possible, but no simpler*
- Having a more easily understood and easily maintained system

The Third Principle: Maintain the Vision

- *A clear vision is essential to the success of a software project*
- Compromising the architectural vision of a software system weakens and will eventually break even the well-designed systems

The Fourth Principle: What You Produce, Others Will Consume

- Always **specify, design, and implement** knowing **someone** else will have to **understand what you are doing**.
- **Design**, keeping the **implementers** in mind
- **Code** with concern for those that must **maintain and extend** the system.

The Fifth Principle: Be Open to the Future

- Systems must be ready to **adapt to any changes**: specification can change any moment, or any hardware platforms can be **obsolete** in just a few months!

The Sixth Principle: Plan Ahead for Reuse

- Build the software so that the **code and design** can be **reused** as necessary
- Planning ahead for **reuse reduces the cost** and **increases the value** of both the reusable components and the systems into which they are incorporated.

The Seventh principle: Think!

- Placing **clear, complete thought** before action almost always produces better results.
- When you think about something, you are **more likely** to do it **right** and also **gain knowledge** about how to do it right again.
- If you do think about something and still do it wrong, it becomes a **valuable experience**.

