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# The Software Process

## Session 03

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# Learning Objectives

**LO 1 : Describe the concepts of software process models and the opportunity for potential business project**

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- **Software Process Structure**
- **Process Models**
- **Agile Development**
- **Human Aspects of Software Engineering**

# Software Process Structure

Software process

## Software Process Framework

### Process framework

#### Umbrella activities

##### framework activity # 1

software engineering action #1.1

Task sets

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work products  
quality assurance points  
project milestones

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Task sets

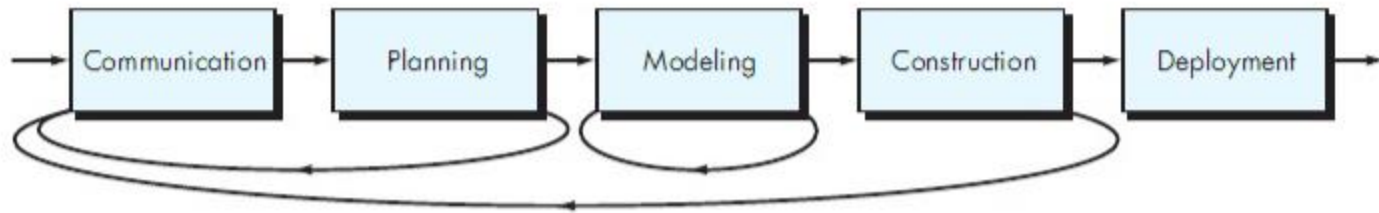
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# Software Process Structure

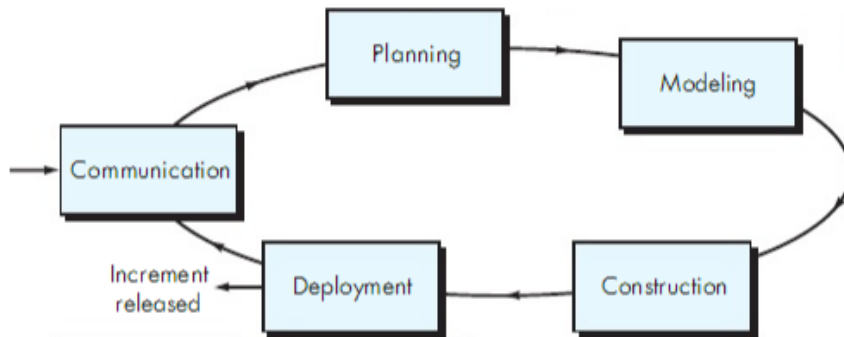
## Process Flow



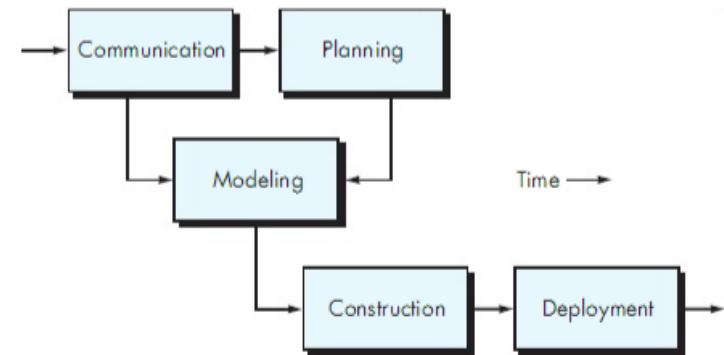
(a) Linear process flow



(b) Iterative process flow



(c) Evolutionary process flow



(d) Parallel process flow

# Software Process Structure

## Identifying a Task Set

- A task set defines the actual work to be done to accomplish the objectives of a software engineering action.
  - A list of the task to be accomplished
  - A list of the work products to be produced
  - A list of the quality assurance filters to be applied

# Software Process Structure

## Process Patterns

- *A process pattern*
  - describes a process-related problem that is encountered during software engineering work,
  - identifies the environment in which the problem has been encountered, and
  - suggests one or more proven solutions to the problem.
- Stated in more general terms, a process pattern provides you with a *template* [Amb98]—a consistent method for describing problem solutions within the context of the software process.



# Software Process Structure

## Process Pattern Types

- ***Stage patterns***—defines a problem associated with a framework activity for the process.
- ***Task patterns***—defines a problem associated with a software engineering action or work task and relevant to successful software engineering practice
- ***Phase patterns***—define the sequence of framework activities that occur with the process, even when the overall flow of activities is iterative in nature

# Process Models

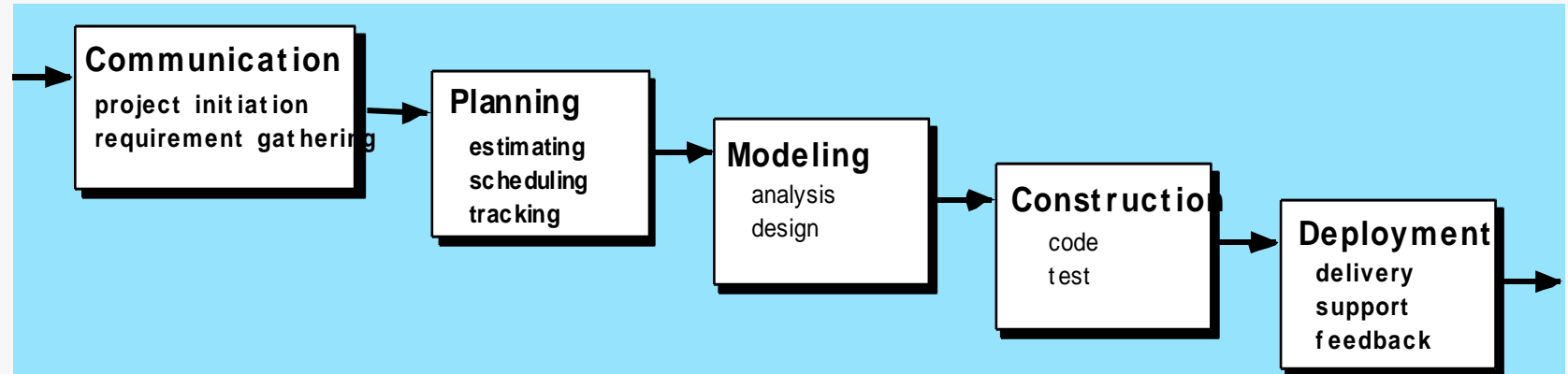
- Prescriptive process models advocate an orderly approach to software engineering

*That leads to a few questions ...*

- If prescriptive process models strive for structure and order, are they inappropriate for a software world that thrives on change?
- Yet, if we reject traditional process models (and the order they imply) and replace them with something less structured, do we make it impossible to achieve coordination and coherence in software work?

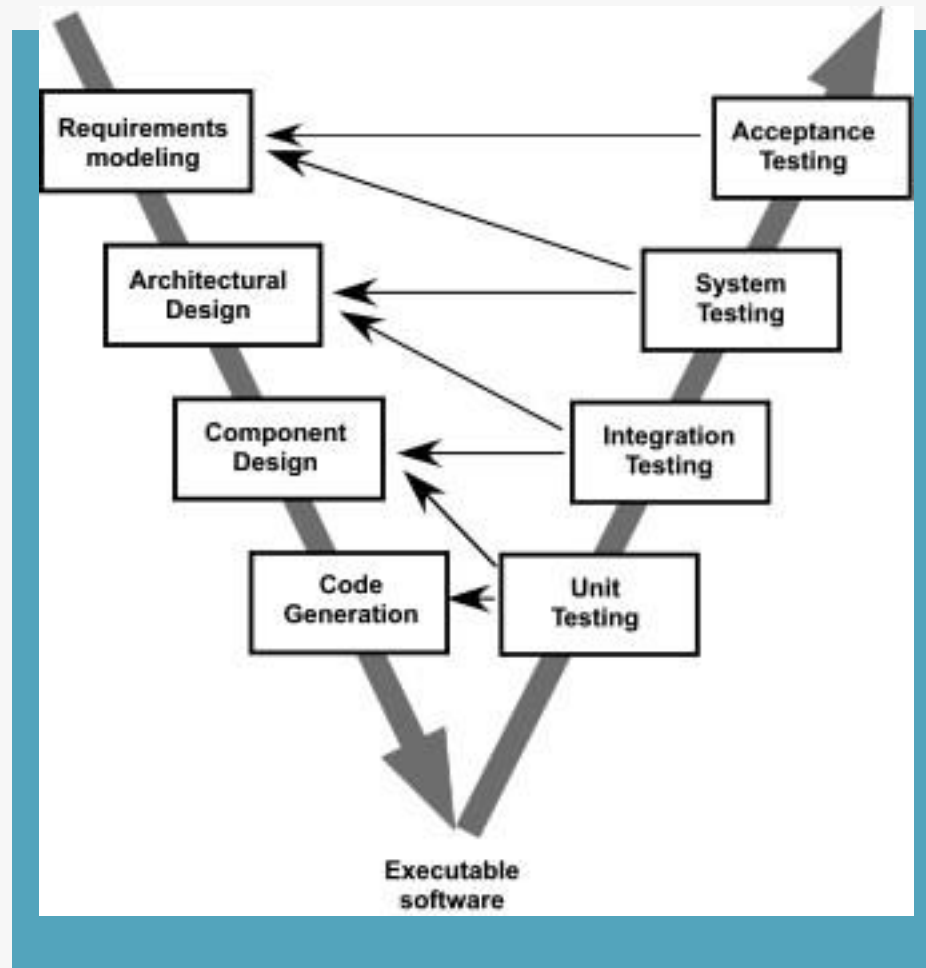
# Process Models

## The Waterfall Model



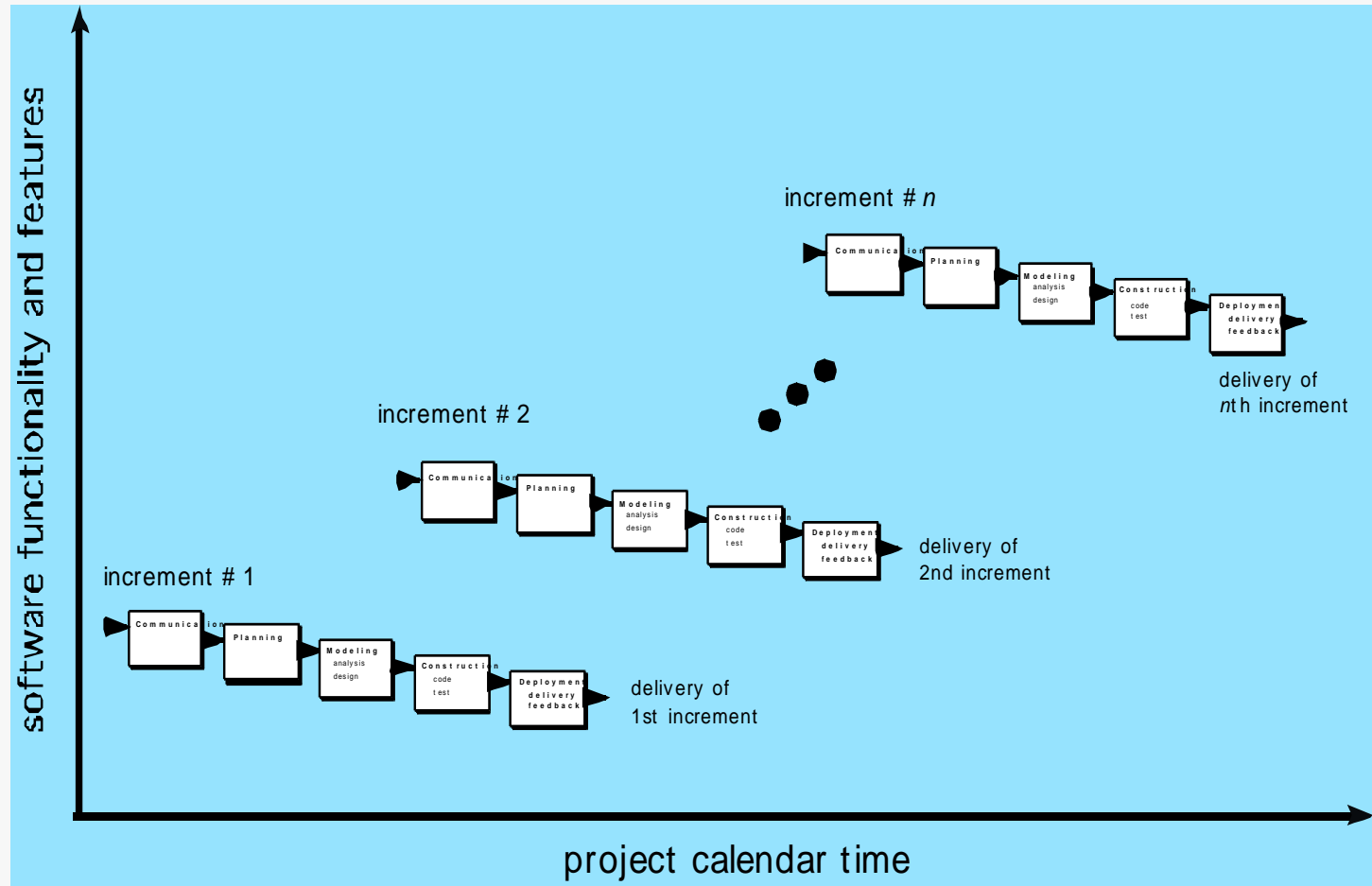
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## The V-Model



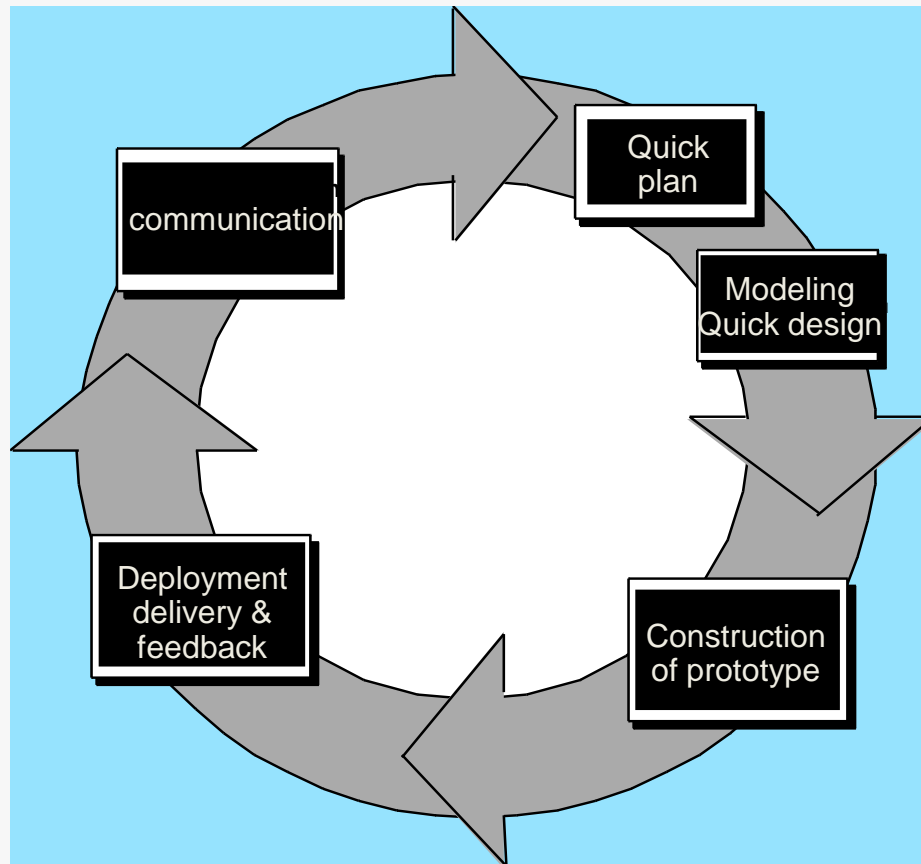
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## The Incremental-Model



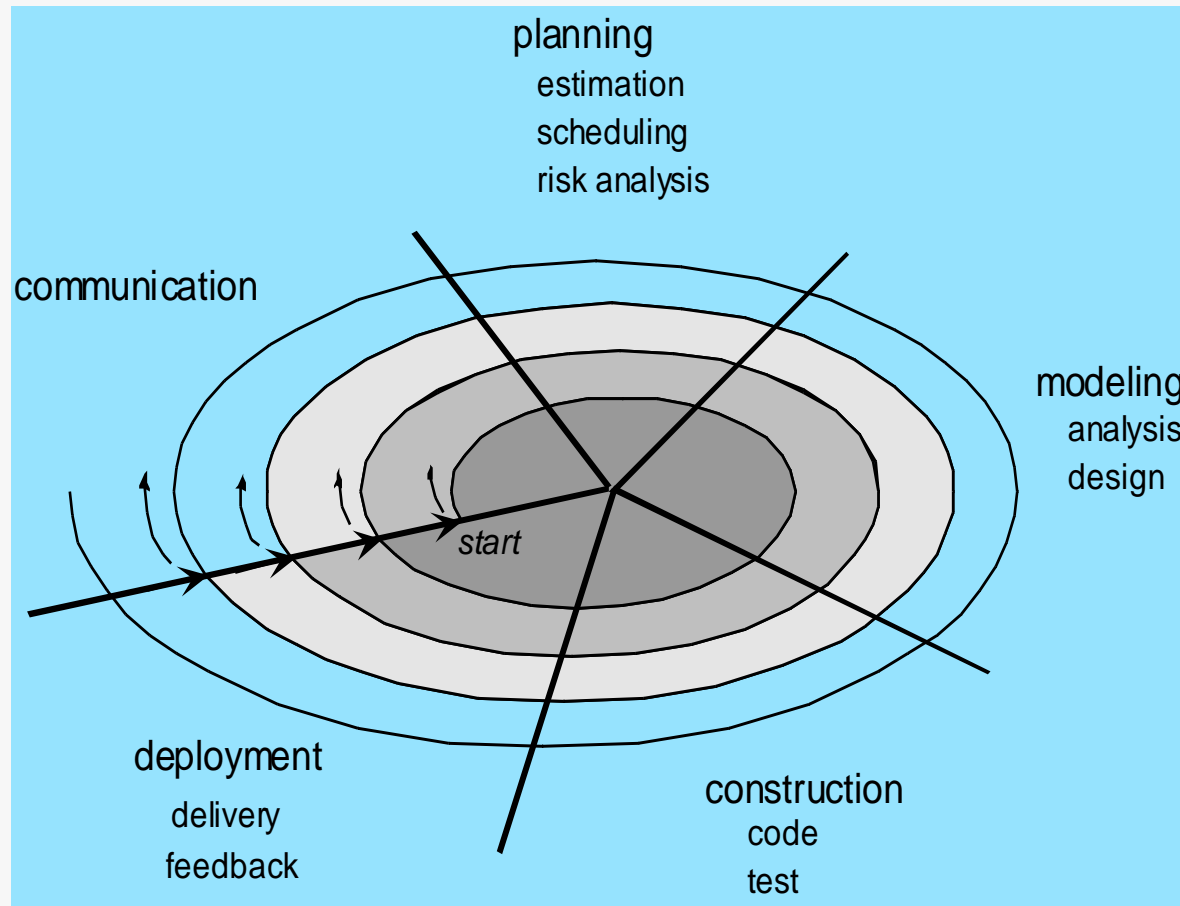
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## Evolutionary Models: Prototyping



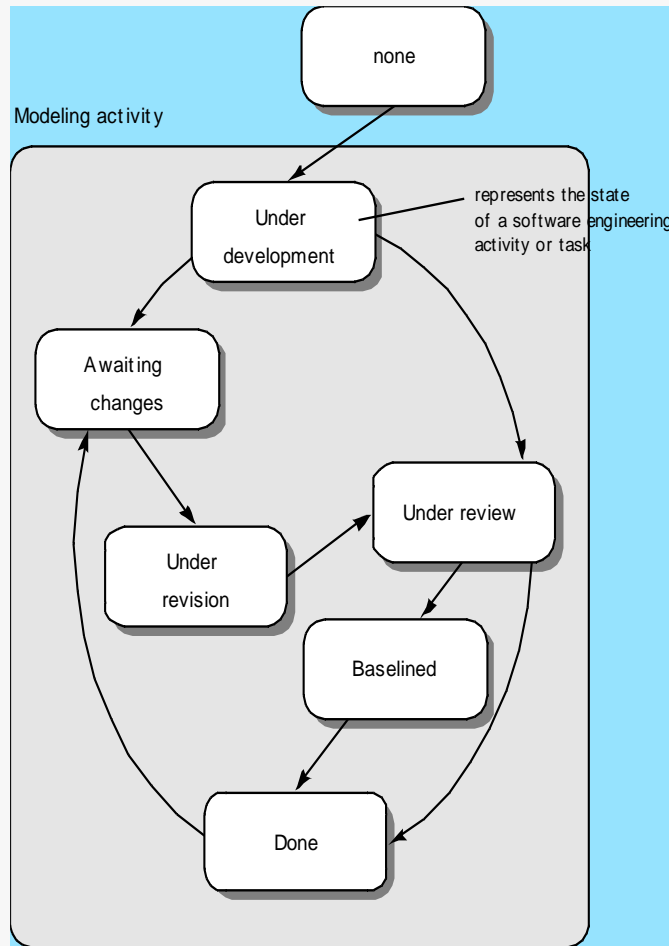
# Process Models

## Evolutionary Models: The Spiral



# Process Models

## Evolutionary Models: Concurrent





# Specialized Process Models

- **Component based development**—the process to apply when reuse is a development objective
- **Formal methods**—emphasizes the mathematical specification of requirements
- **AOSD**—provides a process and methodological approach for defining, specifying, designing, and constructing *aspects*
- **Unified Process**—a “use-case driven, architecture-centric, iterative and incremental” software process closely aligned with the Unified Modeling Language (UML)

# Agile Development

## What is “Agility”?

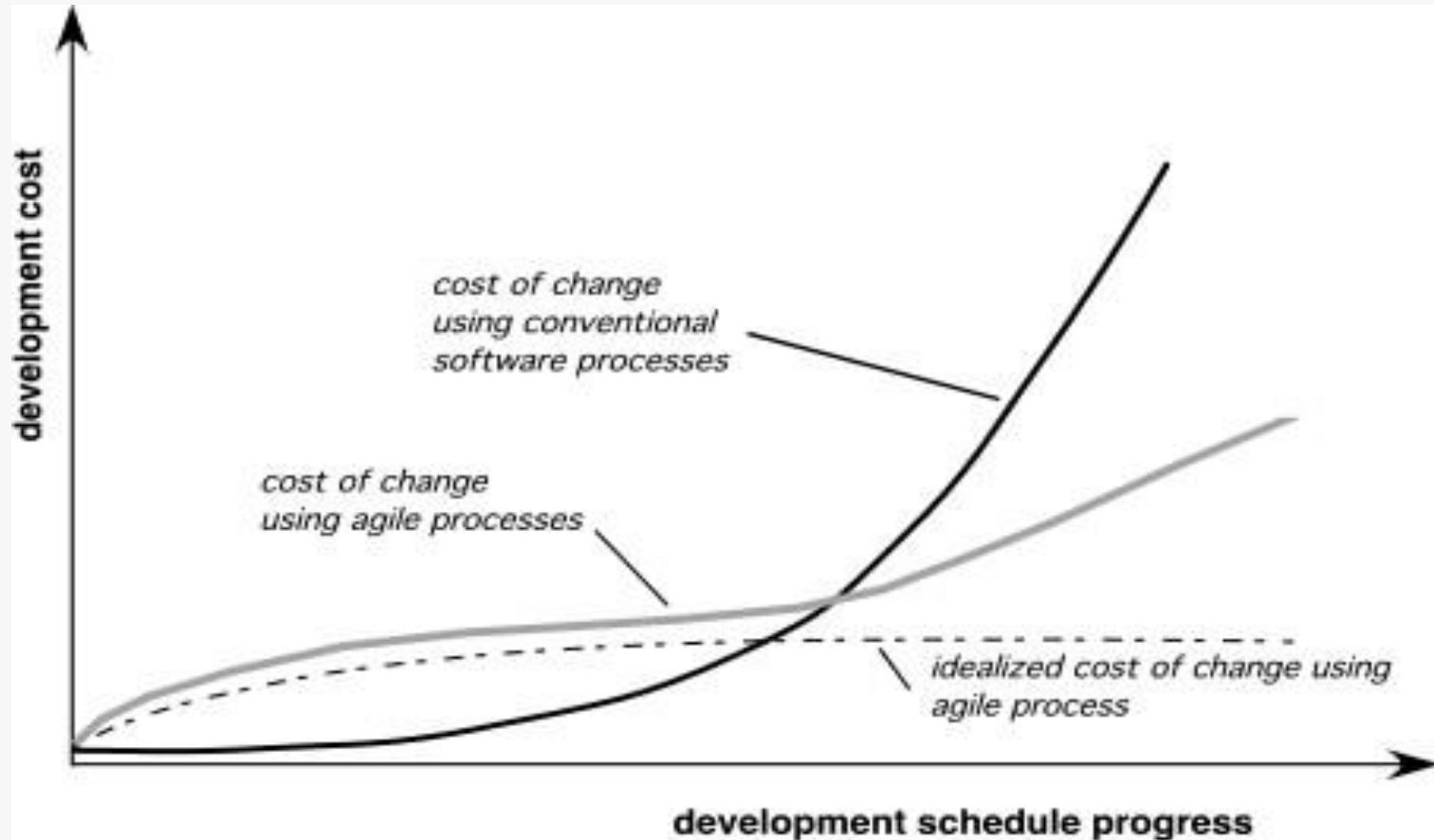
- Effective (rapid and adaptive) response to change
- Effective communication among all stakeholders
- Drawing the customer onto the team
- Organizing a team so that it is in control of the work performed

### ***Yielding ...***

- Rapid, incremental delivery of software

# Agile Development

## Agility and the Cost of Change



# Agile Development

## Extreme Programming (XP)

- The most widely used agile process, originally proposed by Kent Beck
- XP Planning
  - Begins with the creation of “user stories”
  - Agile team assesses each story and assigns a cost
  - Stories are grouped to for a deliverable increment
  - A commitment is made on delivery date
  - After the first increment “project velocity” is used to help define subsequent delivery dates for other increments

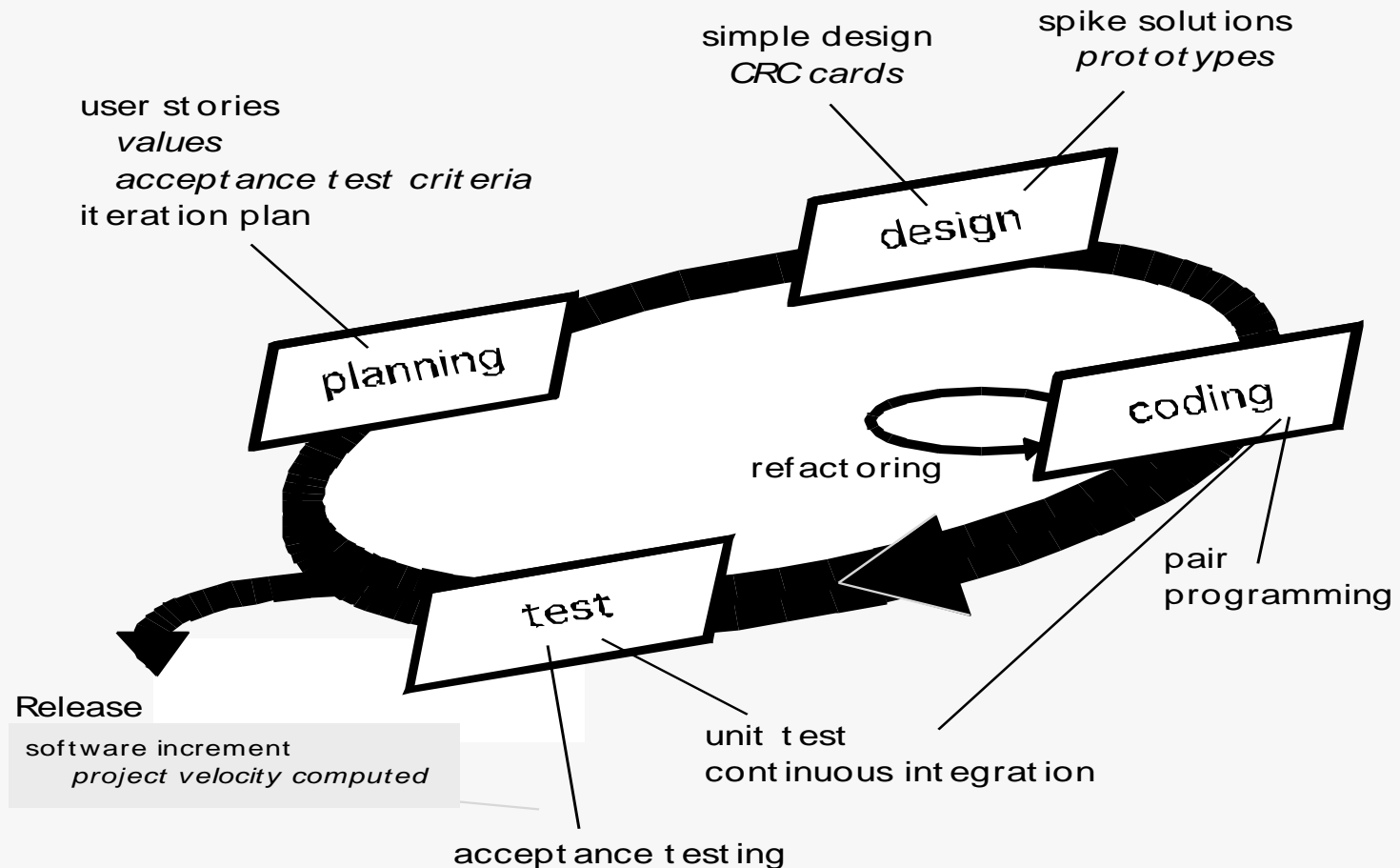
# Agile Development

## Extreme Programming (XP)

- **XP Design**
  - Follows the KIS principle
  - Encourage the use of CRC cards (see Chapter 8)
  - For difficult design problems, suggests the creation of “spike solutions”—a design prototype
  - Encourages “refactoring”—an iterative refinement of the internal program design
- **XP Coding**
  - Recommends the construction of a unit test for a store *before* coding commences
  - Encourages “pair programming”
- **XP Testing**
  - All unit tests are executed daily
  - “Acceptance tests” are defined by the customer and executed to assess customer visible functionality

# Agile Development

## Extreme Programming (XP)



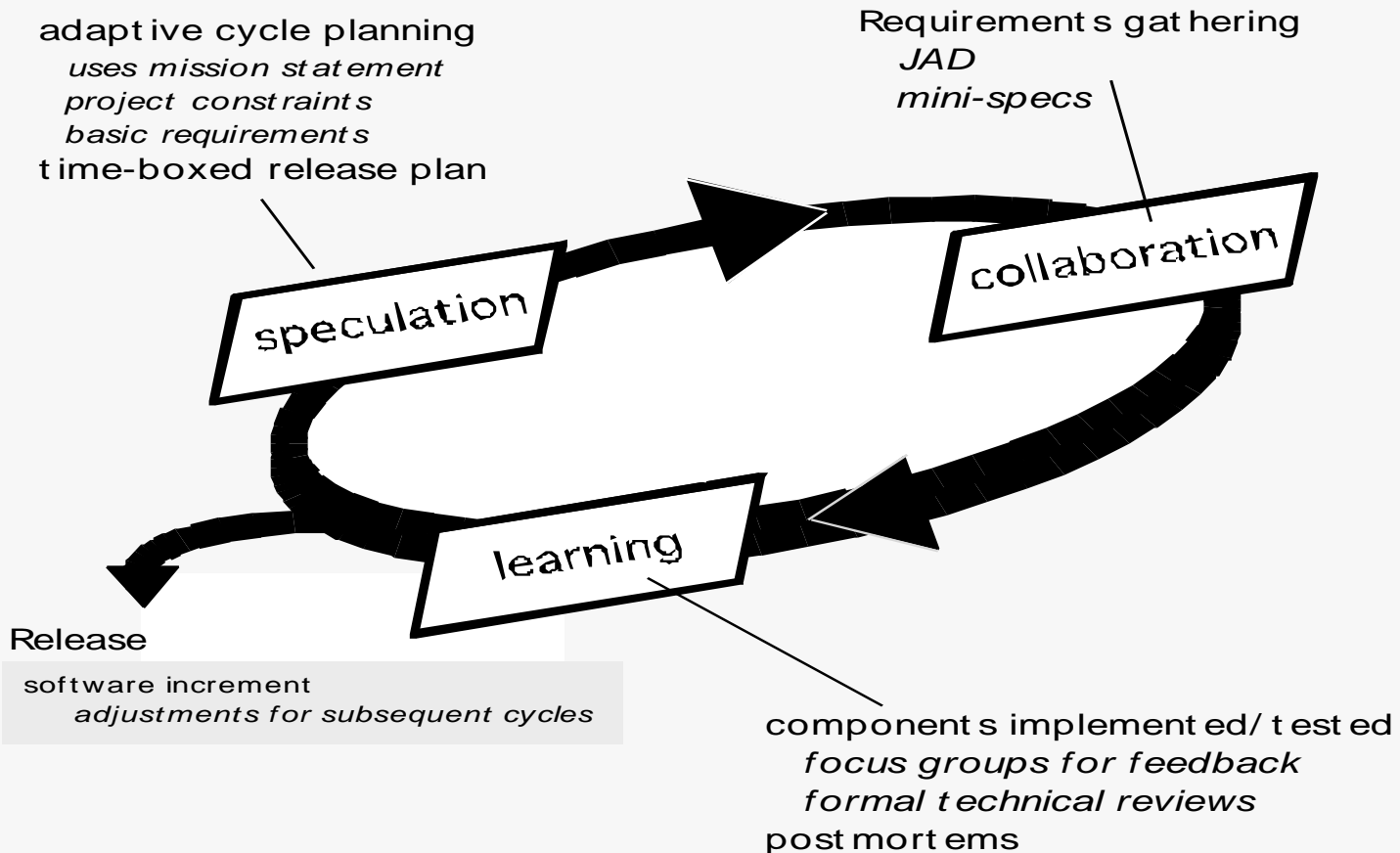
# Agile Development

## Adaptive Software Development

- Originally proposed by Jim Highsmith
- ASD — distinguishing features
  - Mission-driven planning
  - Component-based focus
  - Uses “time-boxing”
  - Explicit consideration of risks
  - Emphasizes collaboration for requirements gathering
  - Emphasizes “learning” throughout the process

# Agile Development

## Adaptive Software Development





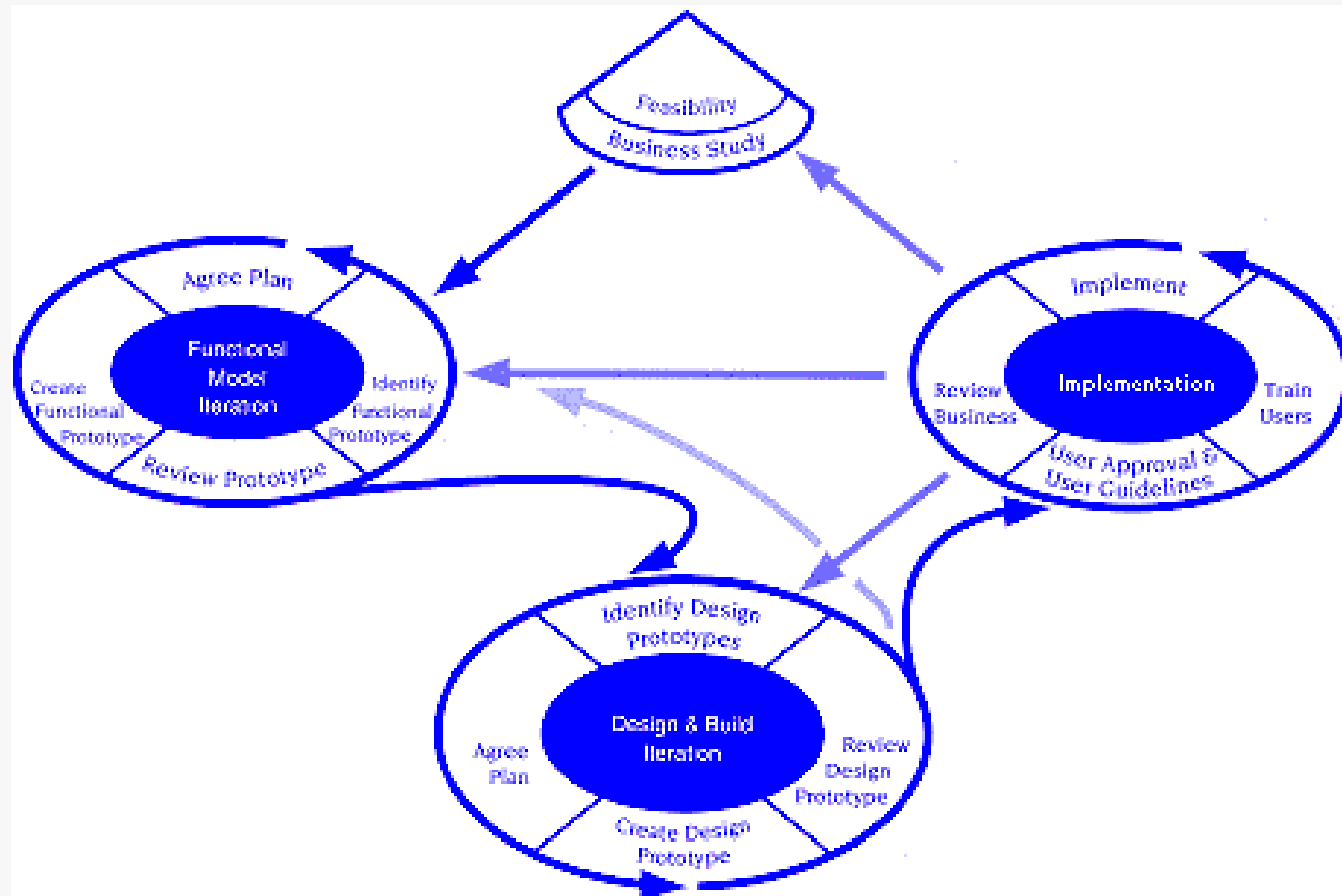
# Agile Development

## Dynamic Systems Development Method

- Promoted by the DSDM Consortium ([www.dsdm.org](http://www.dsdm.org))
- DSDM—distinguishing features
  - Similar in most respects to XP and/or ASD
  - Nine guiding principles
    - Active user involvement is imperative.
    - DSDM teams must be empowered to make decisions.
    - The focus is on frequent delivery of products.
    - Fitness for business purpose is the essential criterion for acceptance of deliverables.
    - Iterative and incremental development is necessary to converge on an accurate business solution.
    - All changes during development are reversible.
    - Requirements are baselined at a high level

# Agile Development

## Dynamic Systems Development Method



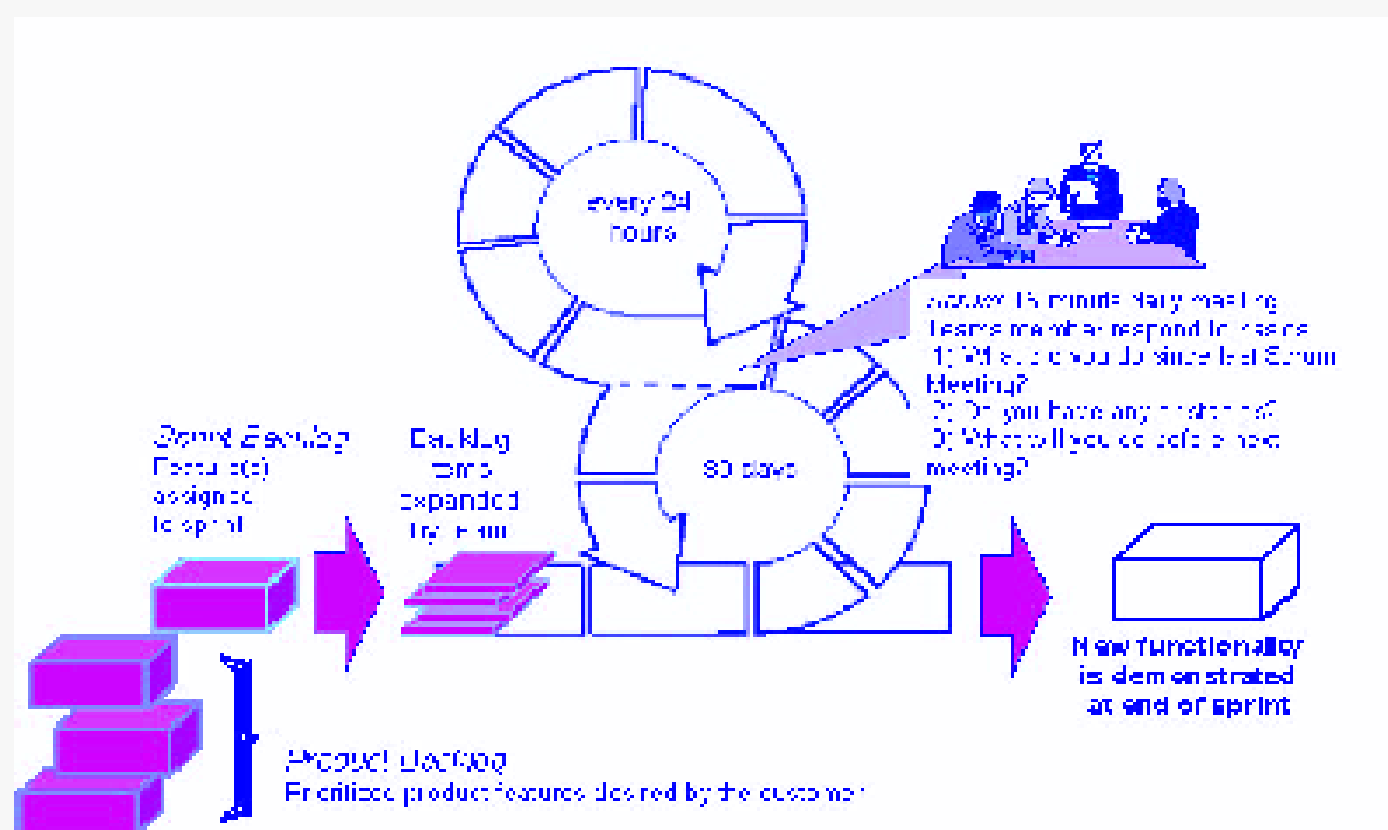
# Agile Development

## Scrum

- Originally proposed by Schwaber and Beedle
- Scrum—distinguishing features
  - Development work is partitioned into “packets”
  - Testing and documentation are on-going as the product is constructed
  - Work occurs in “sprints” and is derived from a “backlog” of existing requirements
  - Meetings are very short and sometimes conducted without chairs
  - “demos” are delivered to the customer with the time-box allocated

# Agile Development

## Scrum



# Agile Development

## Crystal

- Proposed by Cockburn and Highsmith
- Crystal—distinguishing features
  - Actually a family of process models that allow “maneuverability” based on problem characteristics
  - Face-to-face communication is emphasized
  - Suggests the use of “reflection workshops” to review the work habits of the team

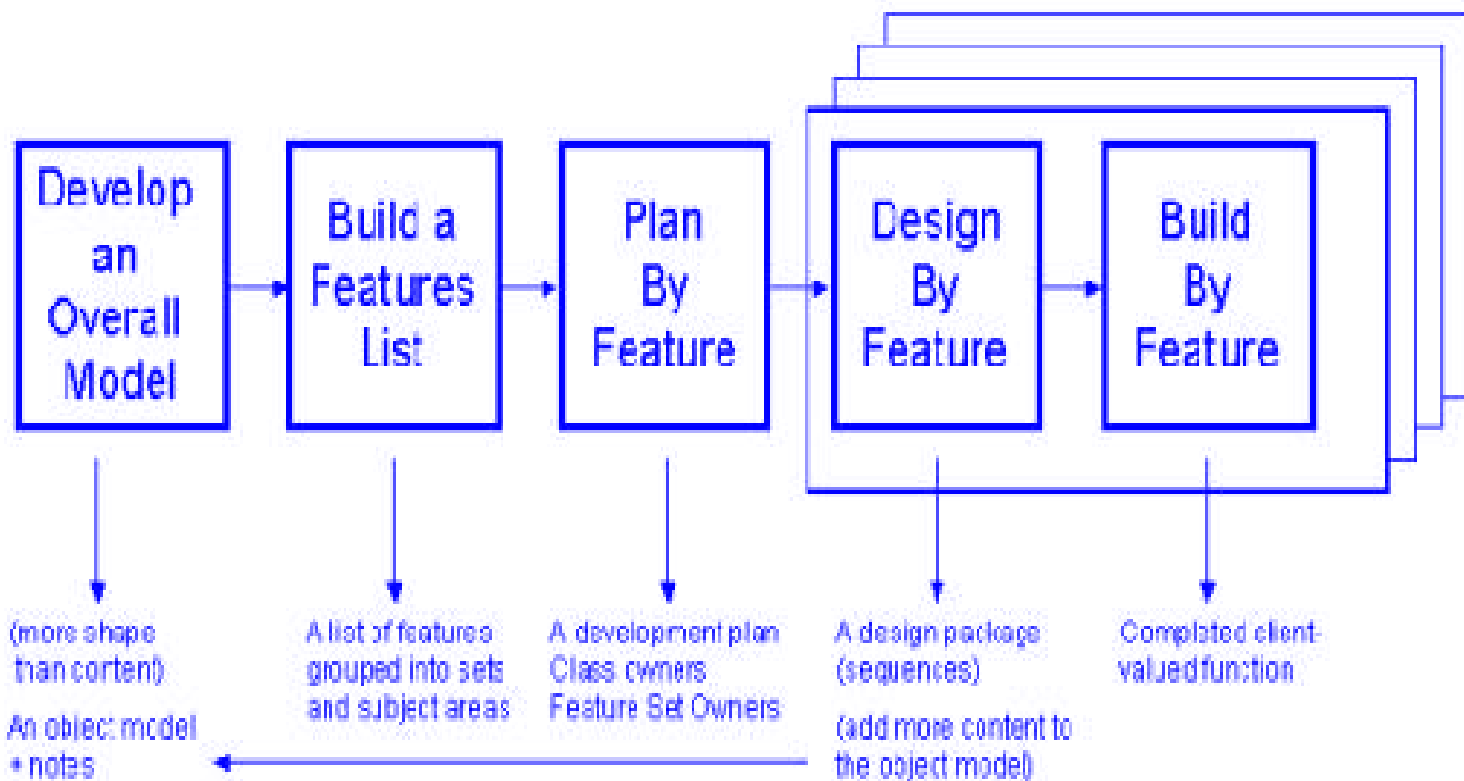
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## Feature Driven Development

- Originally proposed by Peter Coad et al
- FDD—distinguishing features
  - Emphasis is on defining “features”
    - a *feature* “is a client-valued function that can be implemented in two weeks or less.”
  - Uses a feature template
    - **<action> the <result> <by | for | of | to> a(n) <object>**
  - A features list is created and “plan by feature” is conducted
  - Design and construction merge in FDD

# Agile Development

## Feature Driven Development



# Agile Development

## Agile Modeling

- Originally proposed by Scott Ambler
- Suggests a set of agile modeling principles
  - Model with a purpose
  - Use multiple models
  - Travel light
  - Content is more important than representation
  - Know the models and the tools you use to create them
  - Adapt locally



# Human Aspects of Software Engineering

## Characteristics of Software Engineer

Erdogmus [erd09] identifies seven traits that are present when an individual software engineer exhibits “superprofesional” behavior.

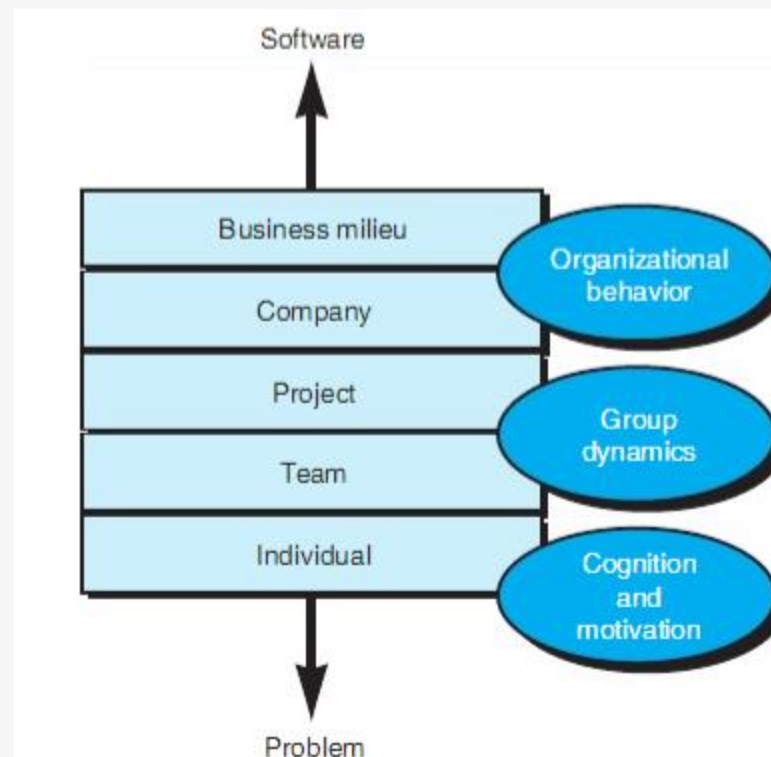
An effective software engineer :

- has a sense of individual responsibility
- has an acute awareness
- is brutally honest
- exhibits resilience under prerssure
- has a heightened sense of fairness
- exhibits attention to detail
- is pragmatic

# Human Aspects of Software Engineering

## The Psychology of Software Engineering

In a seminal paper on the psychology of software engineering, Bill Curtis and Dave Walz [Cur90] suggest a layered behavioral model for software development.



# Human Aspects of Software Engineering

## The Software Team

- An effective team should foster a sense of trust
- Software engineers on the team should trust the skills and competence of their peers and their managers.
- The team should encourage a sense of improvement by periodically reflecting on its approach to software engineering and looking for ways to improve their work

# Human Aspects of Software Engineering

## Team Structure

Constantine [Con93] suggests four “organizational paradigms” for software engineering teams

1. **A closed paradigm; a team along a traditional hierarchy of authority**
2. **A random paradigm; a team loosely and depends on individual initiative of the team members**
3. **An open paradigm; a team in a manner that achieves some of the controls associated with the closed paradigm but also much of the innovation that occurs when using the random paradigm**
4. **A synchronous paradigm; relies on the natural compartmentalization of a problem and organizes team members to work on pieces of the problem with little active communication among themselves**

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# Q & A