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Software Quality Introduction

🧠 Qualityful Software

Creating software is not just about writing code —

it's about crafting a product that is **reliable**, **maintainable**, and **simple**.

🔑 The Key to Software Quality: Managing Complexity

> “Complexity is the enemy of reliability.”

- Great software engineers **manage complexity** rather than avoid it.
- Simplicity makes the system **easier to understand, test, and improve**.
- Each feature should have a **clear purpose** — unnecessary layers or logic lead to confusion.

Good design reduces complexity.
Good progress keeps complexity in control.

💡 Qualityful Software Principle: KISS

Keep It Simple, Stupid!

The KISS principle reminds developers to:

- Build only what’s needed.
- Prefer **clarity over cleverness**.
- Use **simple architectures** and **straightforward logic**.
- Make sure anyone joining the project can **understand the code easily**.

Simplicity = Quality + Maintainability

🧩 Software Tools for Quality

Software quality depends on two main tools:

1️⃣ Design

- Good design ensures every component has a **defined role**.
- Focus on **modularity**, **reusability**, and **readability**.

2️⃣ Process

- Process means **structured and consistent steps** toward achieving quality.
- A clear process helps maintain **stability, discipline, and accountability**.
- Following a well-defined process prevents **confusion and major failures**.
- Continuous review and feedback within the process keep the project **aligned with its goals**.

👥 The Team Key: No Surprises

A qualityful software team follows the “**No Surprises**” rule:

- Everyone knows what’s happening.
- Communication is open and regular.
- No hidden changes, no secret assumptions.
- Transparency builds **trust** and **accountability**.

> A team without surprises is a team that delivers.

🌟 Conclusion

Building **qualityful software** means:

- Managing complexity with clear structure.
- Keeping everything simple through KISS.
- Using design and progress as tools for excellence.
- Working as a transparent, surprise-free team.

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Software Process & Web Development

⚙ PHP + REST API

- Built **11 REST APIs** for student management system project.
- Used **Bearer Token Authentication** for secure communication.
- **Database:** MySQL
- **Tools:** Postman

🌐 NGINX Configuration

- **Nginx** used as a high-performance web server and reverse proxy.
- Configured to serve the API and frontend together.
- Hosted API endpoints and tested via browser.

🧭 Software Process Overview

Software process defines **how software is developed** systematically through a structured framework.

Key Stages:

1. Requirements
2. Design
3. Implementation
4. Testing
5. Deployment
6. Maintenance

⚡ Agile Model

- **Iterative and incremental** model.
- Emphasizes **customer collaboration** and **adaptive planning**.
- Short development cycles called **sprints**.
- Continuous feedback and improvement.

🔁 Spiral Model

- Combines **iterative development** with **risk analysis**.
- Each phase includes:
    - Planning
    - Risk assessment
    - Engineering
    - Evaluation
- Suitable for **large, high-risk projects**.

💧 Waterfall Model

- **Sequential development** process.
- Each phase must complete before the next begins.
- Ideal for **projects with well-defined requirements**.

Phases:

1. Requirements
2. Design
3. Implementation
4. Verification
5. Maintenance

🧠 Scrum Framework

- A subset of **Agile methodology**.
- Focused on small teams and sprints.
- Roles:
  - **Product Owner**
  - **Scrum Master**
  - **Development Team**
- Uses **daily standups** and **retrospectives**.

⚖️ Agile vs Scrum

Agile is a broad philosophy or mindset that emphasizes flexibility, collaboration, and customer satisfaction through continuous delivery of valuable software. Scrum, on the other hand, is a specific framework within Agile that provides a structured approach to implementing Agile principles.

🧩 SE Rules Applied - Process

1️⃣ Divide and Conquer

- Break down complex systems into **manageable components**.
- Each module handles a **specific task**.

2️⃣ Single Responsibility Principle (SRP)

- Every class/module should have **only one reason to change**.
- Improves maintainability and reduces coupling.

🚧 Only Fools Rush In...

> "We don't construct unless we know what to construct."

Meaning:

- Requirements and architecture/design must be clearly understood before coding begins.
- Prevents rework, cost overruns, and system inconsistencies.

Key Practices:

- Gather detailed **requirements**.
- Prepare **architecture diagrams**.
- Conduct **design reviews** before implementation.

🎯 Conclusion

- Successful software systems depend on **clear processes**.
- Applying **engineering principles** ensures quality and scalability.
- Combining **modern web technologies (PHP + REST + NGINX)** with **Agile frameworks** leads to efficient project delivery.