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# *Object-Oriented and Classical Software Engineering*

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## CHAPTER 3

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# THE SOFTWARE PROCESS

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## Overview

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- The Unified Process
- Iteration and incrementation within the object-oriented paradigm
- The requirements workflow
- The analysis workflow
- The design workflow
- The implementation workflow
- The test workflow

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## Overview (contd)

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- Postdelivery maintenance
- Retirement
- The phases of the Unified Process
- One- versus two-dimensional life-cycle models
- Improving the software process
- Capability maturity models
- Other software process improvement initiatives
- Costs and benefits of software process improvement

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## 3.1 The Unified Process

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- Until recently, three of the most successful object-oriented methodologies were
  - Booch's method
  - Jacobson's Objectory
  - Rumbaugh's OMT

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## The Unified Process (contd)

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- In 1999, Booch, Jacobson, and Rumbaugh published a complete object-oriented analysis and design methodology that unified their three separate methodologies
  - Original name: *Rational Unified Process* (RUP)
  - Next name: *Unified Software Development Process* (USDP)
  - Name used today: *Unified Process* (for brevity)

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## The Unified Process (contd)

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- The Unified Process is *not* a series of steps for constructing a software product
  - No such single “one size fits all” methodology could exist
  - There is a wide variety of different types of software
- The Unified Process is an adaptable methodology
  - It has to be modified for the specific software product to be developed

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## The Unified Process (contd)

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- UML is graphical
  - A picture is worth a thousand words
- UML diagrams enable software engineers to communicate quickly and accurately

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### 3.2 Iteration and Incrementation within the Object-Oriented Paradigm

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- The Unified Process is a modeling technique
  - A *model* is a set of UML diagrams that represent various aspects of the software product we want to develop
- UML stands for unified *modeling* language
  - UML is the tool that we use to represent (model) the target software product

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### Iteration and Incrementation within the Object-Oriented Paradigm (contd)

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- The object-oriented paradigm is iterative and incremental in nature
  - There is no alternative to repeated iteration and incrementation until the UML diagrams are satisfactory

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## Iteration and Incrementation within the Object-Oriented Paradigm (contd)

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- The version of the Unified Process in this book is for
  - Software products small enough to be developed by a team of three students during the semester or quarter
- However, the modifications to the Unified Process for developing a large software product are also discussed

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## Iteration and Incrementation within the Object-Oriented Paradigm (contd)

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- The goals of this book include:
  - A thorough understanding of how to develop smaller software products
  - An appreciation of the issues that need to be addressed when larger software products are constructed
- We cannot learn the complete Unified Process in one semester or quarter
  - Extensive study and unending practice are needed
  - The Unified Process has too many features
  - A case study of a large-scale software product is huge

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## Iteration and Incrementation within the Object-Oriented Paradigm (contd)

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- In this book, we therefore cover much, but not all, of the Unified Process
  - The topics covered are adequate for smaller products
- To work on larger software products, experience is needed
  - This must be followed by training in the more complex aspects of the Unified Process

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## 3.3 The Requirements Workflow

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- The aim of the requirements workflow
  - To determine the client's needs

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## Overview of the Requirements Workflow

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- First, gain an understanding of the *application domain* (or *domain*, for short)
  - That is, the specific business environment in which the software product is to operate
- Second, build a business model
  - Use UML to describe the client's business processes
  - If at any time the client does not feel that the cost is justified, development terminates immediately

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## Overview of the Requirements Workflow (contd)

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- It is vital to determine the client's constraints
  - Deadline
    - » Nowadays, software products are often mission critical
  - Parallel running
  - Portability
  - Reliability
  - Rapid response time
  - Cost
    - » The client will rarely inform the developer how much money is available
    - » A bidding procedure is used instead

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## Overview of the Requirements Workflow (contd)

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- The aim of this *concept exploration* is to determine
  - What the client needs
  - *Not* what the client wants

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## 3.4 The Analysis Workflow

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- The aim of the analysis workflow
  - To analyze and refine the requirements
- Why not do this during the requirements workflow?
  - The requirements artifacts must be totally comprehensible by the client
- The artifacts of the requirements workflow must therefore be expressed in a natural (human) language
  - All natural languages are imprecise

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## The Analysis Workflow (contd)

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- Example from a manufacturing information system:
  - “A part record and a plant record are read from the database. If **it** contains the letter A directly followed by the letter Q, then calculate the cost of transporting that part to that plant”
- To what does **it** refer?
  - The part record?
  - The plant record?
  - Or the database?

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## The Analysis Workflow (contd)

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- Two separate workflows are needed
  - The requirements artifacts must be expressed in the language of the client
  - The analysis artifacts must be precise, and complete enough for the designers

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## The Specification Document (contd)

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- Specification document (“specifications”)
  - It constitutes a contract
  - It must not have imprecise phrases like “optimal,” or “98% complete”
- Having complete and correct specifications is essential for
  - Testing and
  - Maintenance

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## The Specification Document (contd)

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- The specification document must not have
  - Contradictions
  - Omissions
  - Incompleteness

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## Software Project Management Plan

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- Once the client has signed off the specifications, detailed planning and estimating begins
- We draw up the software project management plan, including
  - Cost estimate
  - Duration estimate
  - Deliverables
  - Milestones
  - Budget
- This is the earliest possible time for the SPMP

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## 3.5 The Design Workflow

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- The aim of the design workflow is to refine the analysis workflow until the material is in a form that can be implemented by the programmers
  - Many nonfunctional requirements need to be finalized at this time, including
    - » Choice of programming language
    - » Reuse issues
    - » Portability issues

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## Classical Design

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- Architectural design
  - Decompose the product into modules
- Detailed design
  - Design each module:
    - » Data structures
    - » Algorithms

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## Object-Oriented Design

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- Classes are extracted during the object-oriented analysis workflow and
  - Designed during the design workflow
- Accordingly
  - Classical architectural design corresponds to part of the object-oriented analysis workflow
  - Classical detailed design corresponds to part of the object-oriented design workflow

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## The Design Workflow (contd)

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- Retain design decisions
  - For when a dead-end is reached
  - To prevent the maintenance team reinventing the wheel

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## 3.6 The Implementation Workflow

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- The aim of the implementation workflow is to implement the target software product in the selected implementation language
  - A large software product is partitioned into subsystems
  - The subsystems consist of *components* or *code artifacts*

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## 3.7 The Test Workflow

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- The test workflow is the responsibility of
  - *Every* developer and maintainer, and
  - The quality assurance group
- Traceability of artifacts is an important requirement for successful testing

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### 3.7.1 Requirements Artifacts

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- Every item in the analysis artifacts must be traceable to an item in the requirements artifacts
  - Similarly for the design and implementation artifacts

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## 3.7.2 Analysis Artifacts

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- The analysis artifacts should be checked by means of a review
  - Representatives of the client and analysis team must be present
- The SPMP must be similarly checked
  - Pay special attention to the cost and duration estimates

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## 3.7.3 Design Artifacts

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- Design reviews are essential
  - A client representative is not usually present

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### 3.7.4 Implementation Artifacts

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- Each component is tested as soon as it has been implemented
  - *Unit testing*
- At the end of each iteration, the completed components are combined and tested
  - *Integration testing*
- When the product appears to be complete, it is tested as a whole
  - *Product testing*
- Once the completed product has been installed on the client's computer, the client tests it
  - *Acceptance testing*

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### Implementation Artifacts (contd)

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- COTS software is released for testing by prospective clients
  - Alpha release
  - Beta release
- There are advantages and disadvantages to being an alpha or beta release site

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## 3.8 Postdelivery Maintenance

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- Postdelivery maintenance is an essential component of software development
  - More money is spent on postdelivery maintenance than on all other activities combined
- Problems can be caused by
  - Lack of documentation of all kinds

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## Postdelivery Maintenance (contd)

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- Two types of testing are needed
  - Testing the changes made during postdelivery maintenance
  - Regression testing
- All previous test cases (and their expected outcomes) need to be retained

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## 3.9 Retirement

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- Software can be unmaintainable because
  - A drastic change in design has occurred
  - The product must be implemented on a totally new hardware/operating system
  - Documentation is missing or inaccurate
  - Hardware is to be changed — it may be cheaper to rewrite the software from scratch than to modify it
- These are instances of maintenance (rewriting of existing software)

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## Retirement (contd)

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- True retirement is a rare event
- It occurs when the client organization no longer needs the functionality provided by the product

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## 3.10 The Phases of the Unified Process

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- The increments are identified as phases

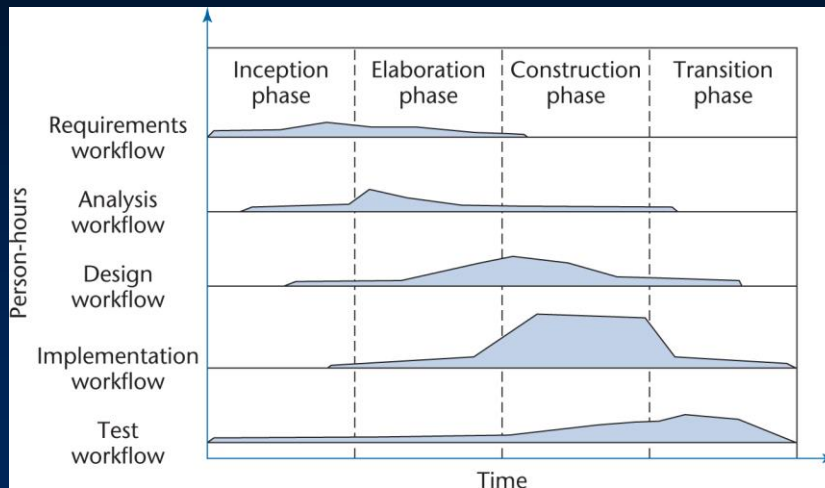


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## The Phases of the Unified Process (contd)

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- The four increments are labeled
  - Inception phase
  - Elaboration phase
  - Construction phase
  - Transition phase
- The phases of the Unified Process are the increments

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## The Phases of the Unified Process (contd)

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- In theory, there could be any number of increments
  - In practice, development seems to consist of four increments
- Every step performed in the Unified Process falls into
  - One of the five core workflows and *also*
  - One of the four phases
- Why does each step have to be considered twice?

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## The Phases of the Unified Process (contd)

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- Workflow
  - Technical context of a step
- Phase
  - Business context of a step

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### 3.10.1 The Inception Phase

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- The aim of the inception phase is to determine whether the proposed software product is economically viable

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### The Inception Phase (contd)

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- 1. Gain an understanding of the domain
- 2. Build the business model
- 3. Delimit the scope of the proposed project
  - Focus on the subset of the business model that is covered by the proposed software product
- 4. Begin to make the initial business case

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## The Inception Phase : The Initial Business Case

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- Questions that need to be answered include:
  - Is the proposed software product cost effective?
  - How long will it take to obtain a return on investment?
  - Alternatively, what will be the cost if the company decides not to develop the proposed software product?
  - If the software product is to be sold in the marketplace, have the necessary marketing studies been performed?
  - Can the proposed software product be delivered in time?
  - If the software product is to be developed to support the client organization's own activities, what will be the impact if the proposed software product is delivered late?

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## The Inception Phase: The Initial Business Case

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- What are the risks involved in developing the software product
- How can these risks be mitigated?
  - Does the team who will develop the proposed software product have the necessary experience?
  - Is new hardware needed for this software product?
  - If so, is there a risk that it will not be delivered in time?
  - If so, is there a way to mitigate that risk, perhaps by ordering back-up hardware from another supplier?
  - Are software tools (Chapter 5) needed?
  - Are they currently available?
  - Do they have all the necessary functionality?

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## The Inception Phase: The Initial Business Case

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- ▣ Answers are needed by the end of the inception phase so that the initial business case can be made

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## The Inception Phase: Risks

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- ▣ There are three major risk categories:
  - Technical risks
    - » See earlier slide
  - The risk of not getting the requirements right
    - » Mitigated by performing the requirements workflow correctly
  - The risk of not getting the architecture right
    - » The architecture may not be sufficiently robust

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## The Inception Phase: Risks

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- To mitigate all three classes of risks
  - The risks need to be ranked so that the critical risks are mitigated first
- This concludes the steps of the inception phase that fall under the requirements workflow

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## The Inception Phase: Analysis, Design Workflows

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- A small amount of the analysis workflow may be performed during the inception phase
  - Information needed for the design of the architecture is extracted
- Accordingly, a small amount of the design workflow may be performed, too

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## The Inception Phase: Implementation Workflow

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- Coding is generally not performed during the inception phase
- However, a *proof-of-concept prototype* is sometimes build to test the feasibility of constructing part of the software product

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## The Inception Phase: Test Workflow

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- The test workflow commences almost at the start of the inception phase
  - The aim is to ensure that the requirements have been accurately determined

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## The Inception Phase: Planning

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- There is insufficient information at the beginning of the inception phase to plan the entire development
  - The only planning that is done at the start of the project is the planning for the inception phase itself
- For the same reason, the only planning that can be done at the end of the inception phase is the plan for just the next phase, the elaboration phase

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## The Inception Phase: Documentation

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- The deliverables of the inception phase include:
  - The initial version of the domain model
  - The initial version of the business model
  - The initial version of the requirements artifacts
  - A preliminary version of the analysis artifacts
  - A preliminary version of the architecture
  - The initial list of risks
  - The initial ordering of the use cases (Chapter 10)
  - The plan for the elaboration phase
  - The initial version of the business case

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## The Inception Phase: The Initial Business Case

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- Obtaining the initial version of the business case is the overall aim of the inception phase
- This initial version incorporates
  - A description of the scope of the software product
  - Financial details
  - If the proposed software product is to be marketed, the business case will also include
    - » Revenue projections, market estimates, initial cost estimates
  - If the software product is to be used in-house, the business case will include
    - » The initial cost–benefit analysis

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## 3.10.2 Elaboration Phase

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- The aim of the elaboration phase is to refine the initial requirements
  - Refine the architecture
  - Monitor the risks and refine their priorities
  - Refine the business case
  - Produce the project management plan
- The major activities of the elaboration phase are refinements or elaborations of the previous phase

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## The Tasks of the Elaboration Phase

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- The tasks of the elaboration phase correspond to:
  - All but completing the requirements workflow
  - Performing virtually the entire analysis workflow
  - Starting the design of the architecture

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## The Elaboration Phase: Documentation

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- The deliverables of the elaboration phase include:
  - The completed domain model
  - The completed business model
  - The completed requirements artifacts
  - The completed analysis artifacts
  - An updated version of the architecture
  - An updated list of risks
  - The project management plan (for the rest of the project)
  - The completed business case

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### 3.10.3 Construction Phase

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- The aim of the construction phase is to produce the first operational-quality version of the software product
  - This is sometimes called the beta release

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### The Tasks of the Construction Phase

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- The emphasis in this phase is on
  - Implementation and
  - Testing
    - » Unit testing of modules
    - » Integration testing of subsystems
    - » Product testing of the overall system

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## The Construction Phase: Documentation

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- The deliverables of the construction phase include:
  - The initial user manual and other manuals, as appropriate
  - All the artifacts (beta release versions)
  - The completed architecture
  - The updated risk list
  - The project management plan (for the remainder of the project)
  - If necessary, the updated business case

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## 3.10.4 The Transition Phase

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- The aim of the transition phase is to ensure that the client's requirements have indeed been met
  - Faults in the software product are corrected
  - All the manuals are completed
  - Attempts are made to discover any previously unidentified risks
- This phase is driven by feedback from the site(s) at which the beta release has been installed

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## The Transition Phase: Documentation

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- The deliverables of the transition phase include:
  - All the artifacts (final versions)
  - The completed manuals

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## 3.11 One- and Two-Dimensional Life-Cycle Models

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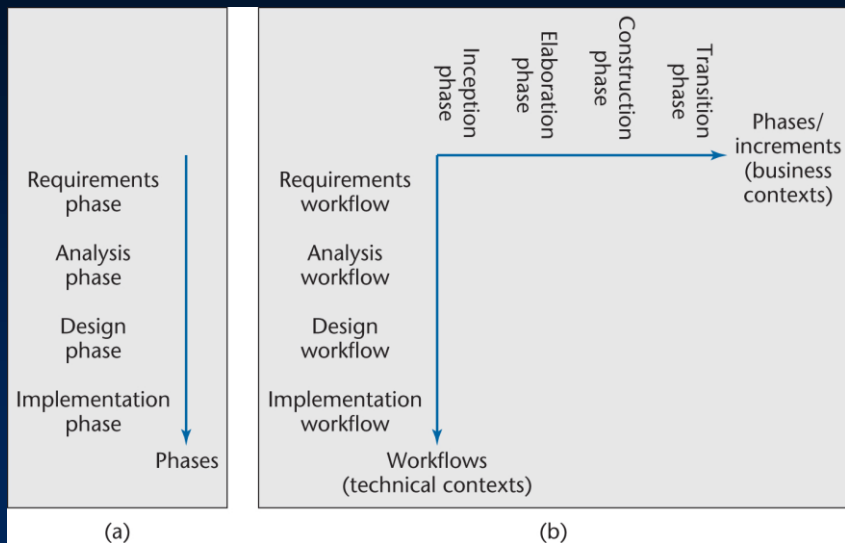


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## Why a Two-Dimensional Model?

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- A traditional life cycle is a one-dimensional model
  - Represented by the single axis on the previous slide
    - » Example: Waterfall model
- The Unified Process is a two-dimensional model
  - Represented by the two axes on the previous slide
- The two-dimensional figure shows
  - The workflows (technical contexts) and
  - The phases (business contexts)

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## Why a Two-Dimensional Model? (contd)

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- The waterfall model
- One-dimensional



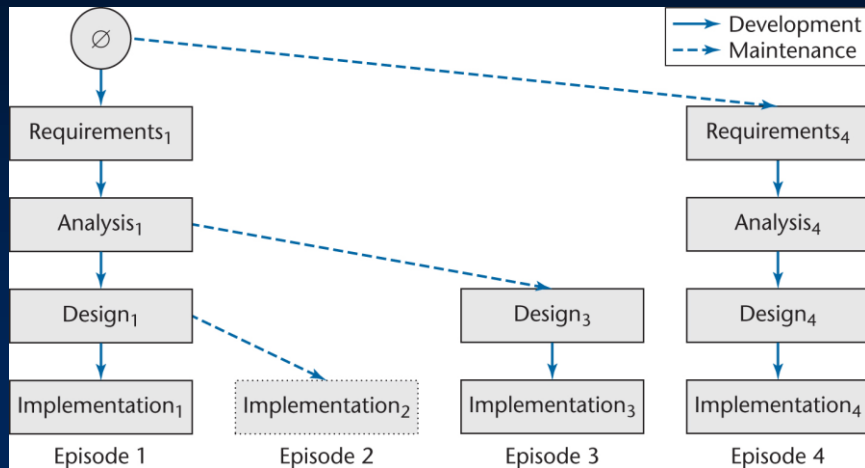
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## Why a Two-Dimensional Model? (contd)

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- Evolution tree model
- Two-dimensional



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## Why a Two-Dimensional Model? (contd)

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- Are all the additional complications of the two-dimensional model necessary?
- In an ideal world, each workflow would be completed before the next workflow is started

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## Why a Two-Dimensional Model? (contd)

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- In reality, the development task is too big for this
- As a consequence of Miller's Law
  - The development task has to be divided into increments (phases)
  - Within each increment, iteration is performed until the task is complete

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## Why a Two-Dimensional Model? (contd)

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- At the beginning of the process, there is not enough information about the software product to carry out the requirements workflow
  - Similarly for the other core workflows
- A software product has to be broken into subsystems
- Even subsystems can be too large at times
  - Components may be all that can be handled until a fuller understanding of all the parts of the product as a whole has been obtained

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## Why a Two-Dimensional Model? (contd)

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- The Unified Process handles the inevitable changes well
  - The moving target problem
  - The inevitable mistakes
- The Unified Process is the best solution found to date for treating a large problem as a set of smaller, largely independent subproblems
  - It provides a framework for incrementation and iteration
  - In the future, it will inevitably be superseded by some better methodology

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## 3.12 Improving the Software Process

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- Example:
- U.S. Department of Defense initiative
- Software Engineering Institute (SEI)
- The fundamental problem with software
  - The software process is badly managed

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## Improving the Software Process (contd)

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- Software process improvement initiatives
  - Capability maturity model (CMM)
  - ISO 9000-series
  - ISO/IEC 15504

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## 3.13 Capability Maturity Models

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- Not life-cycle models
- Rather, a set of strategies for improving the software process
  - SW-CMM for software
  - P-CMM for human resources (“people”)
  - SE-CMM for systems engineering
  - IPD-CMM for integrated product development
  - SA-CMM for software acquisition
- These strategies are unified into CMMI (capability maturity model integration)

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## SW-CMM

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- A strategy for improving the software process
- Put forward in 1986 by the SEI
- Fundamental ideas:
  - Improving the software process leads to
    - » Improved software quality
    - » Delivery on time, within budget
  - Improved management leads to
    - » Improved techniques

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## SW-CMM (contd)

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- Five levels of *maturity* are defined
  - Maturity is a measure of the goodness of the process itself
- An organization advances stepwise from level to level

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## Level 1. Initial Level

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- Ad hoc approach
  - The entire process is unpredictable
  - Management consists of responses to crises
  
- Most organizations world-wide are at level 1

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## Level 2. Repeatable Level

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- Basic software management
  - Management decisions should be made on the basis of previous experience with similar products
  - Measurements (“metrics”) are made
  - These can be used for making cost and duration predictions in the next project
  - Problems are identified, immediate corrective action is taken

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## Level 3. Defined Level

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- The software process is fully documented
  - Managerial and technical aspects are clearly defined
  - Continual efforts are made to improve quality and productivity
  - Reviews are performed to improve software quality
  - CASE environments are applicable *now* (and not at levels 1 or 2)

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## Level 4. Managed Level

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- Quality and productivity goals are set for each project
  - Quality and productivity are continually monitored
  - Statistical quality controls are in place

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## Level 5. Optimizing Level

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- Continuous process improvement
  - Statistical quality and process controls
  - Feedback of knowledge from each project to the next

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## Summary

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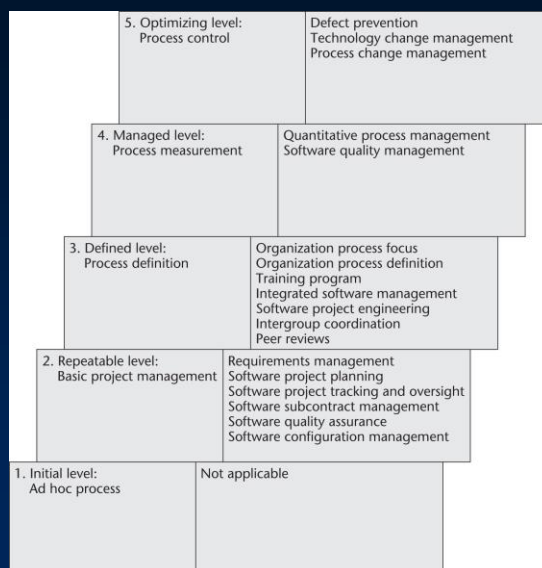


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## Experiences with SW-CMM

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- It takes:
  - 3 to 5 years to get from level 1 to level 2
  - 1.5 to 3 years from level 2 to level 3
  - SEI questionnaires highlight shortcomings, suggest ways to improve the process

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## Key Process Areas

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- There are key process areas (KPAs) for each level

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## Key Process Areas (contd)

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- Level-2 KPAs include:
  - Requirements management
  - Project planning
  - Project tracking
  - Configuration management
  - Quality assurance
- Compare
  - Level 2: Detection and correction of faults
  - Level 5: Prevention of faults

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## Goals

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- Original goal:
  - Defense contracts would be awarded only to capable firms
- The U.S. Air Force stipulated that every Air Force contractor had to attain SW-CMM level 3 by 1998
  - The DoD subsequently issued a similar directive
- The CMM has now gone far beyond the limited goal of improving DoD software

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### 3.14 Other Software Process Improvement Initiatives

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- Other software process improvement (SPI) initiatives include:
  - ISO 9000-series
  - ISO/IEC 15504

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### ISO 9000

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- A set of five standards for industrial activities
  - ISO 9001 for quality systems
  - ISO 9000-3, guidelines to apply ISO 9001 to software
  - There is an overlap with CMM, but they are not identical
  - *Not* process improvement
  - There is a stress on documenting the process
  - There is an emphasis on measurement and metrics
  - ISO 9000 is required to do business with the EU
  - Also required by many U.S. businesses, including GE
  - More and more U.S. businesses are ISO 9000 certified

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## ISO/IEC 15504

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- Original name: Software Process Improvement Capability dEtermination (SPICE)
  - International process improvement initiative
  - Started by the British Ministry of Defence (MOD)
  - Includes process improvement, software procurement
  - Extends and improves CMM, ISO 9000
  - A framework, not a method
    - » CMM, ISO 9000 conform to this framework
  - Now referred to as ISO/IEC 15504
  - Or just 15504 for short

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### 3.15 Costs and Benefits of Software Process Improvement

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- Hughes Aircraft (Fullerton, CA) spent \$500K (1987–90)
  - Savings: \$2M per year, moving from level 2 to level 3
- Raytheon moved from level 1 in 1988 to level 3 in 1993
  - Productivity doubled
  - Return of \$7.70 per dollar invested in process improvement

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## Costs and Benefits of Software Process Improvement (contd)

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- Tata Consultancy Services (India) used ISO 9000 and CMM (1996–90)
  - Errors in estimation decreased from 50% to 15%
  - Effectiveness of reviews increased from 40% to 80%
- Motorola GED has used CMM (1992–97)
  - Results are shown in the next slide

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## Results of 34 Motorola Projects

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CMM Level	Number of Projects	Relative Decrease in Duration	Faults per MEASL Detected during Development	Relative Productivity
Level 1	3	1.0	—	—
Level 2	9	3.2	890	1.0
Level 3	5	2.7	411	0.8
Level 4	8	5.0	205	2.3
Level 5	9	7.8	126	2.8

Figure 3.4

- MEASL – Million equivalent assembler source lines
- Motorola does not reveal productivity data
  - Productivity is measured relative to that of a selected level-2 project
  - No fault or productivity data available for level-1 projects (by definition)

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## Reanalysis of 85 CMM Projects

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- Galin and Avrahami (2006) analyzed 85 projects that had been reported as having advanced one level after implemented CMM
- The projects were divided into four groups
  - CMM level 1 to level 2
  - CMM level 2 to level 3
  - CMM level 3 to level 4
  - CMM level 4 to level 5

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## Reanalysis of 85 CMM Projects (contd)

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- For the four groups:
  - Median fault density (number of faults per KLOC) decreased by between 26 and 63 percent
  - Median productivity (KLOC per person month) increased by between 26 and 187 percent
  - Median rework decreased by between 34 and 40 percent
  - Median project duration decreased by between 28 and 53 percent

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## Reanalysis of 85 CMM Projects (contd)

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- ▣ Fault detection effectiveness (percentage of faults detected during development of the total detected project faults) increased as follows:
  - For the three lowest groups, the median increased by between 70 and 74 percent, and
  - By 13 percent for the highest group (CMM level 4 to level 5)
- ▣ The return on investments varied between 120 to 650 percent
  - With a median value of 360 percent

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## Costs and Benefits of Software Process Improvement (contd)

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- ▣ Published studies such as these are convincing more and more organizations worldwide that process improvement is cost effective

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## Costs and Benefits of Software Process Improvement (contd)

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- There is interplay between
  - Software engineering standards organizations and
  - Software process improvement initiatives
- ISO/IEC 12207 (1995) is a full life-cycle software standard
- In 1998, the U.S. version (IEEE/EIA 12207) was published that incorporated ideas from CMM
- ISO 9000-3 now incorporates part of ISO/IEC 12207

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