

# INTRODUCTION TO SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

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Software Engineering

Chapter 1

# Goals

- Introduce Software Engineering and explain its importance for software development
- Answer main questions related to Software Engineering
- Introduce Software Process

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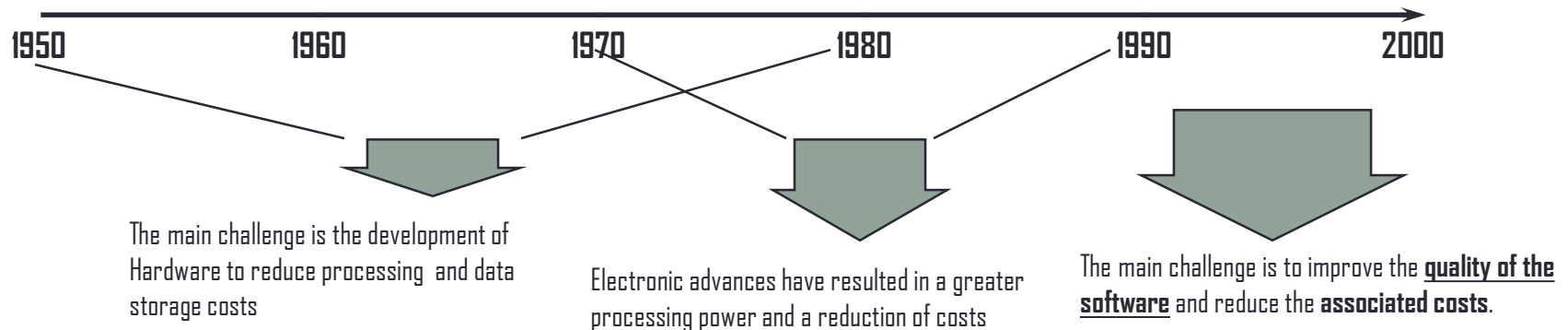
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# INTRODUCTION

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# Software makes a difference

In the latest decades software has overcome hardware as a critical factor for success

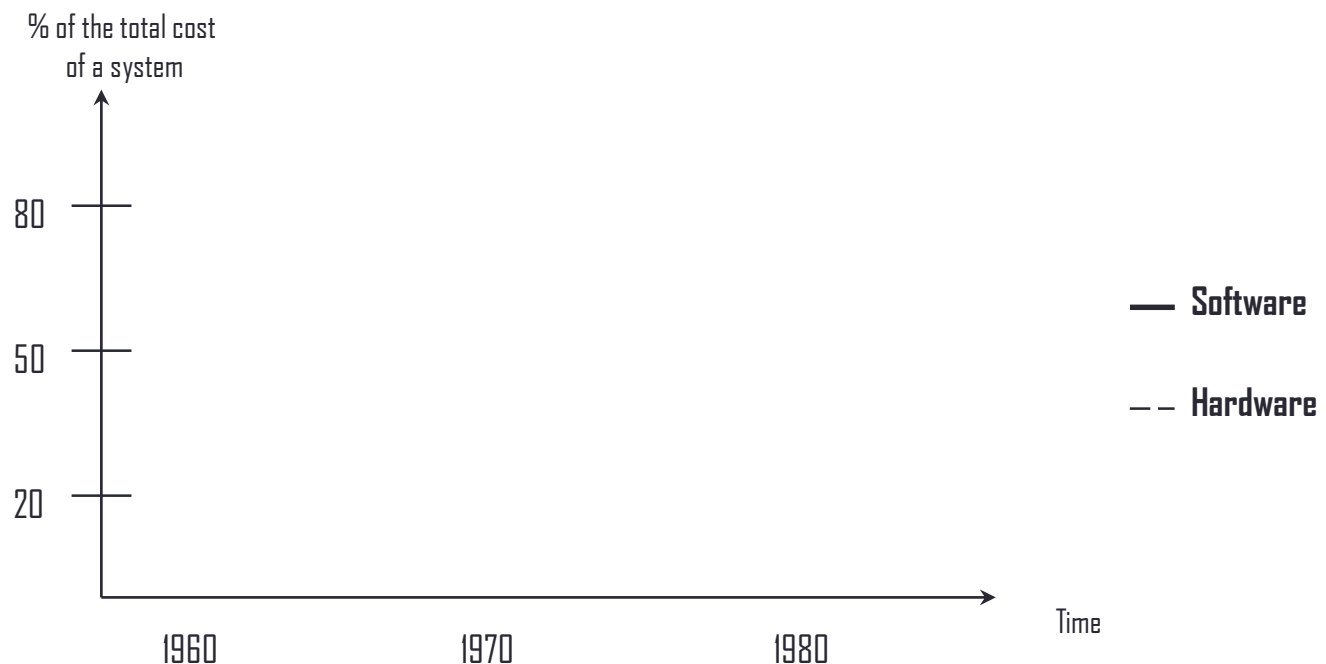


# Software makes a difference

- In the last decade, as a result of the success of the Web as a platform and the use of mobile devices, the software industry has experienced a revolution
  - New languages
  - New HTML versions
  - New devices
  - New development methods!!

# Software is more expensive...

- Evolution of the total cost of a system in terms of the percentage invested in software and in hardware





# ...and not just money!

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- <http://catless.ncl.ac.uk/Risks>

# THE SOFTWARE

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- ✓ Characteristics
- ✓ Software crisis
- ✓ Quality Software
- ✓ Industry Problems

# What is software?

- Instructions that provide an expected function and behavior when executed
- Data structures that allow programs to adequately manipulate information
- Documents that describe the operation and use of programs

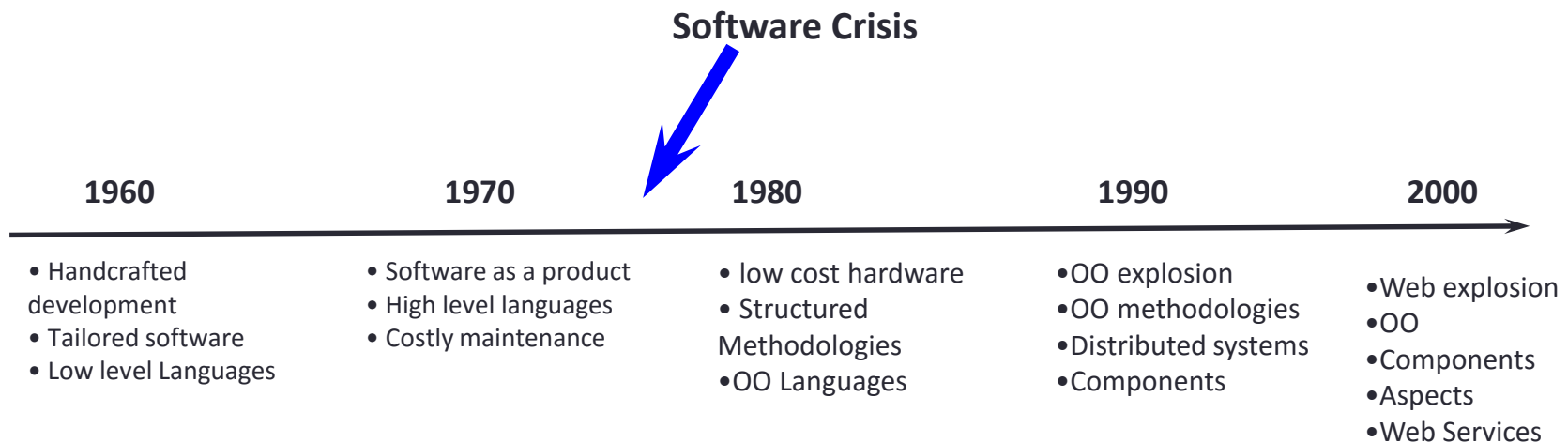
# Characteristics of software

Software is a logical element:

- It is developed, not manufactured in the classical sense
- It doesn't break down, it deteriorates as a result of changes
- Most of it is tailored for specific purposes instead of being assembled from existing components

# Software Evolution

- The **context** in which software is developed is strongly related to the development of computing systems



# Software Crisis

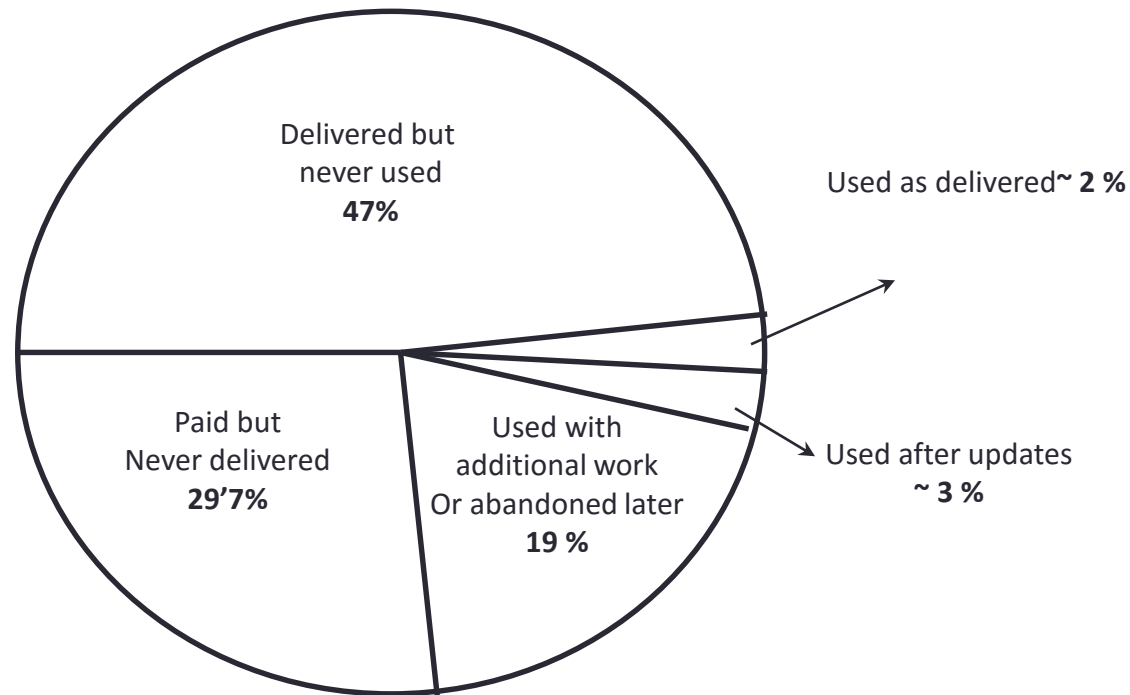
- Costs are higher than planned
- Delivery dates delays
- Bad Performance
- Impossible maintenance
- High cost of Updates
- Unreliable products

**Low quality Software!**

# Software Crisis

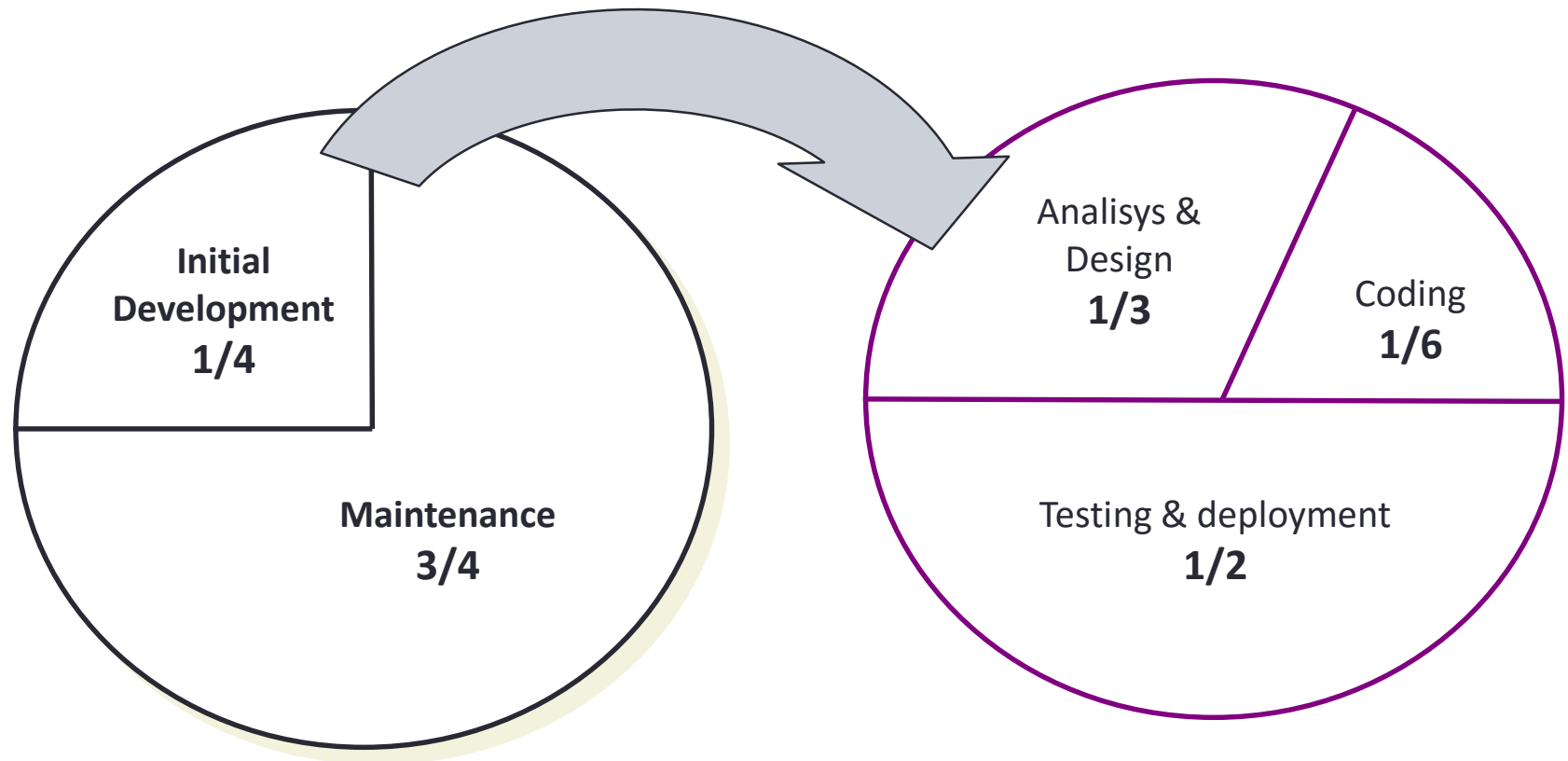
- **Investment** in Software development

- Year 1979 (Total: \$ 6.8 million)



# Software Crisis

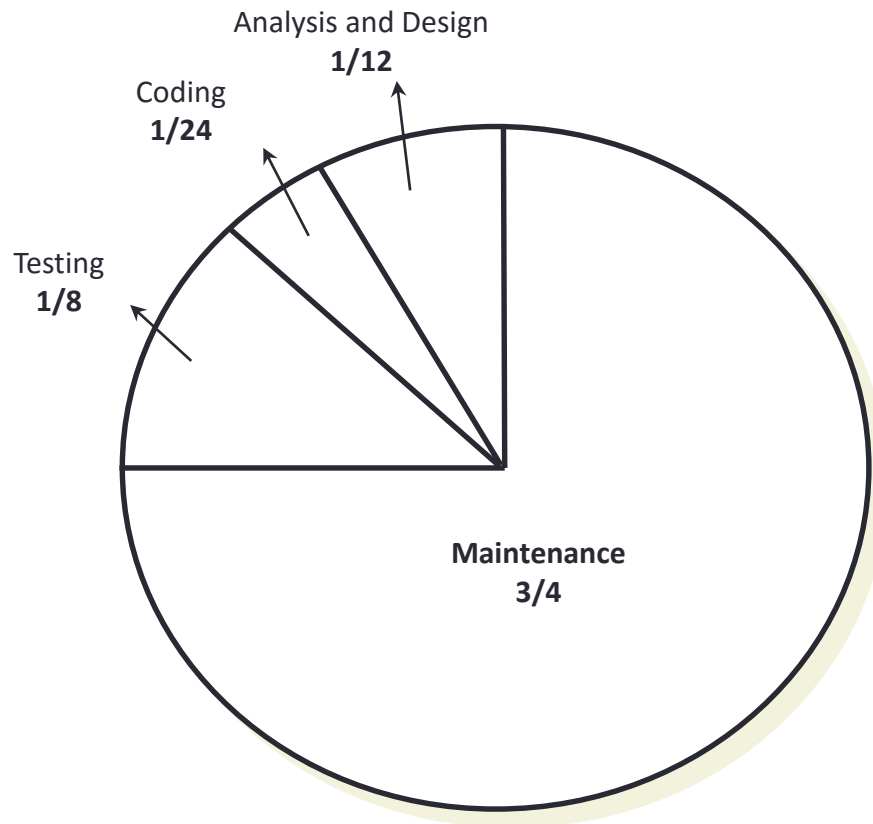
- **Investment** in software development (by development phase):





# Software Crisis

- Summary of **investment**:

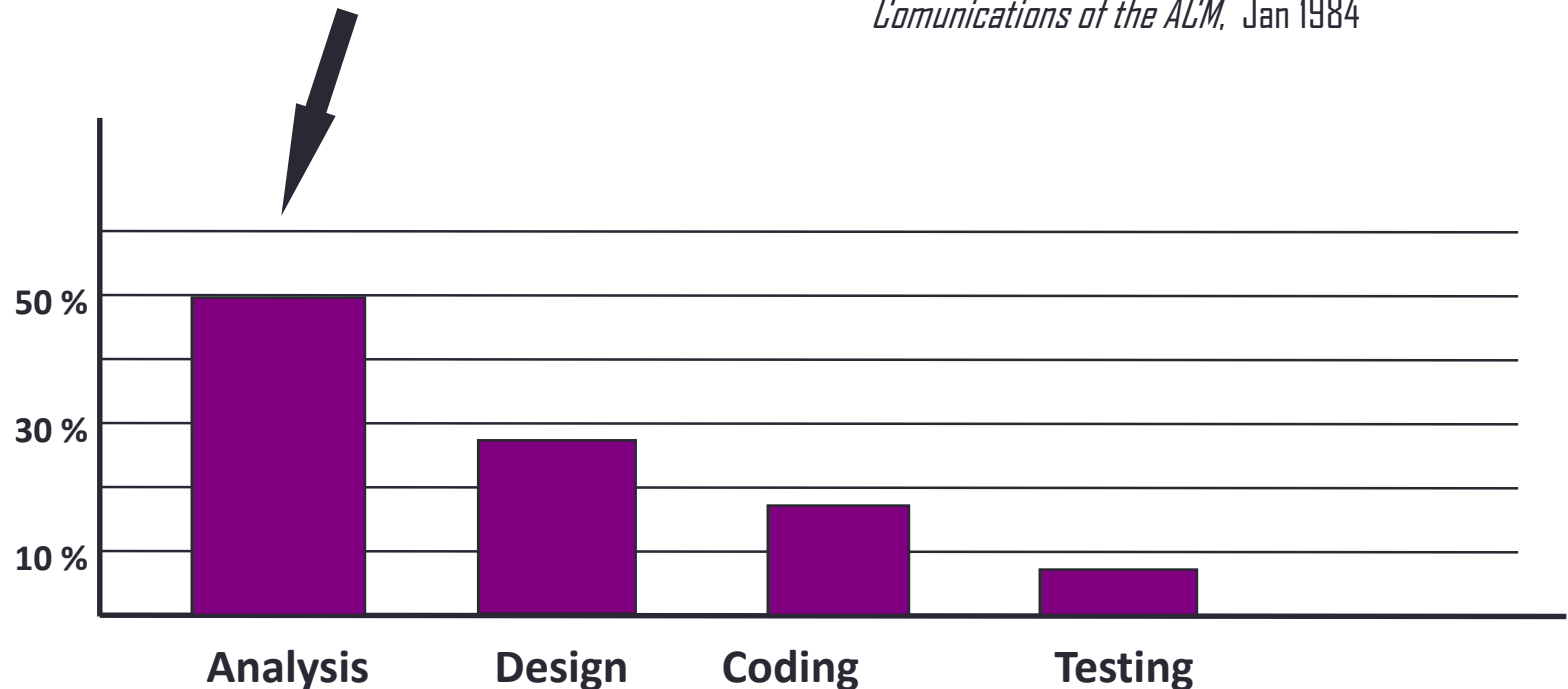


- Analysis & Design  $\Rightarrow$  8 %
- Coding  $\Rightarrow$  4 %
- Testing and Maintenance  $\Rightarrow$  88 %

# Software crisis

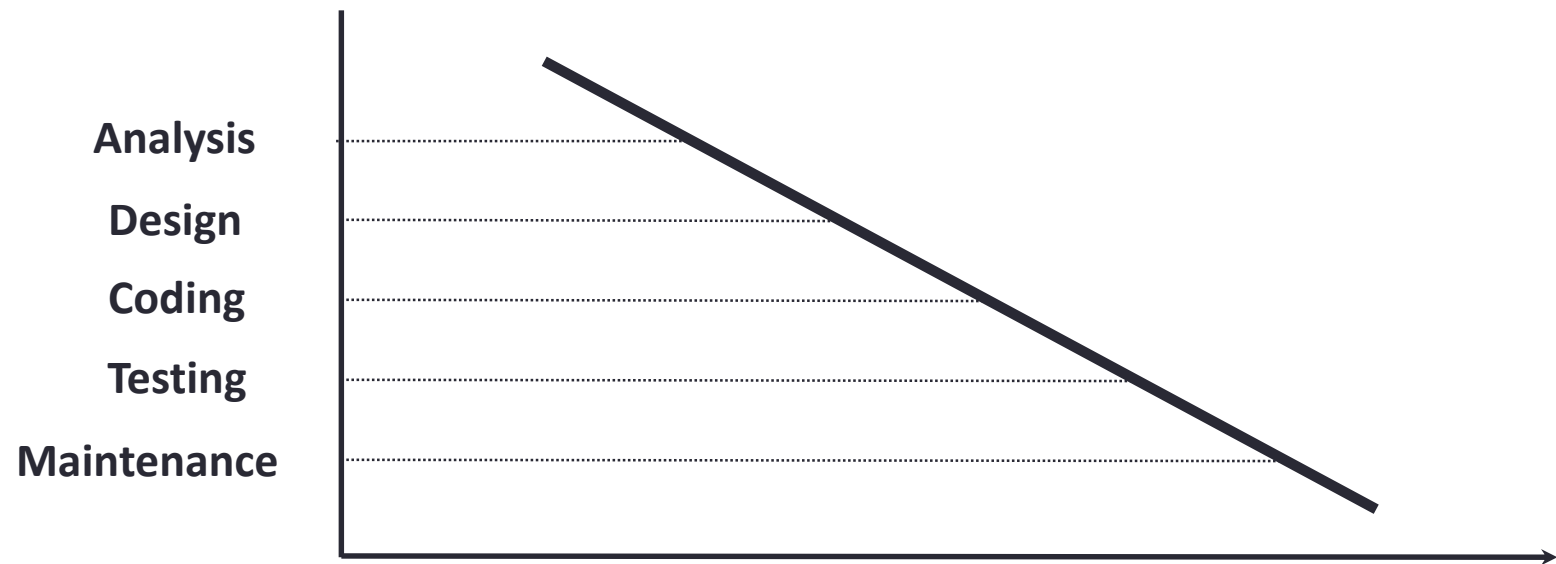
- **Errors** during software development (by development phase) :

*Communications of the ACM, Jan 1984*



# Software Crisis

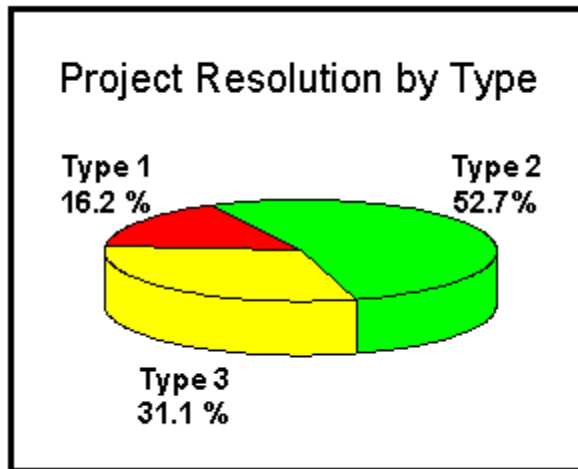
- **Cost of fixing errors:**



# Software crisis

## Investment in software development.

- Year 1994 (Total: \$ 250 Kmillions/year -- 175.000 projects)



- **Type 1 (Success).** The project is Ended on time and within budget with all initially planned features and functionalities.

- **Type 2 (Updates).** The project is Is ended late and at a higher cost It has less features and functionalities than were specified.

- **Type 3 (Cancelled).** The project is cancelled during its development.

# Software crisis

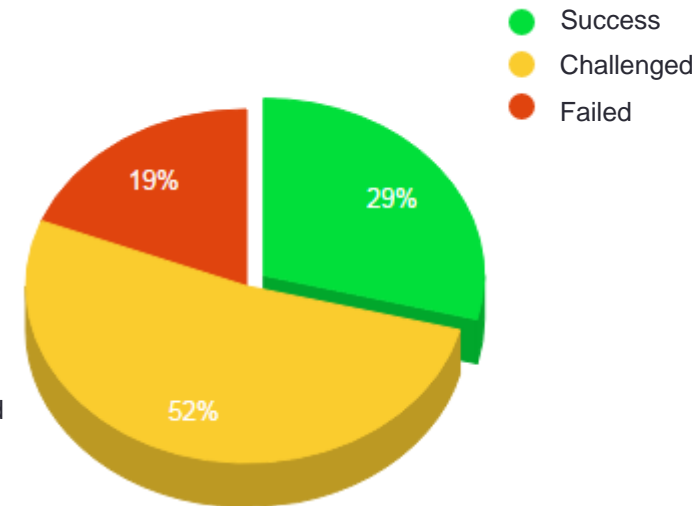
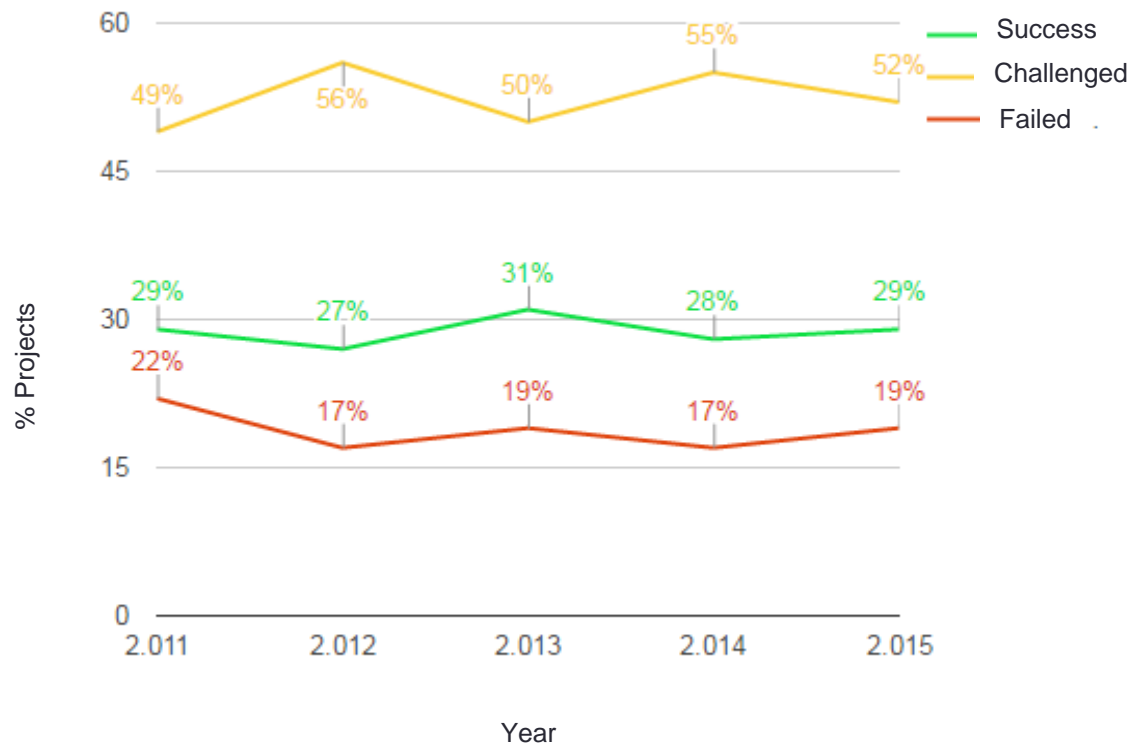
## CHAOS Report...

RESOLUTION					
	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012
Successful	29%	35%	32%	37%	39%
Failed	18%	19%	24%	21%	18%
Challenged	53%	46%	44%	42%	43%

Project resolution results from CHAOS research for years 2004 to 2012.

# Software crisis

## CHAOS Report 2015

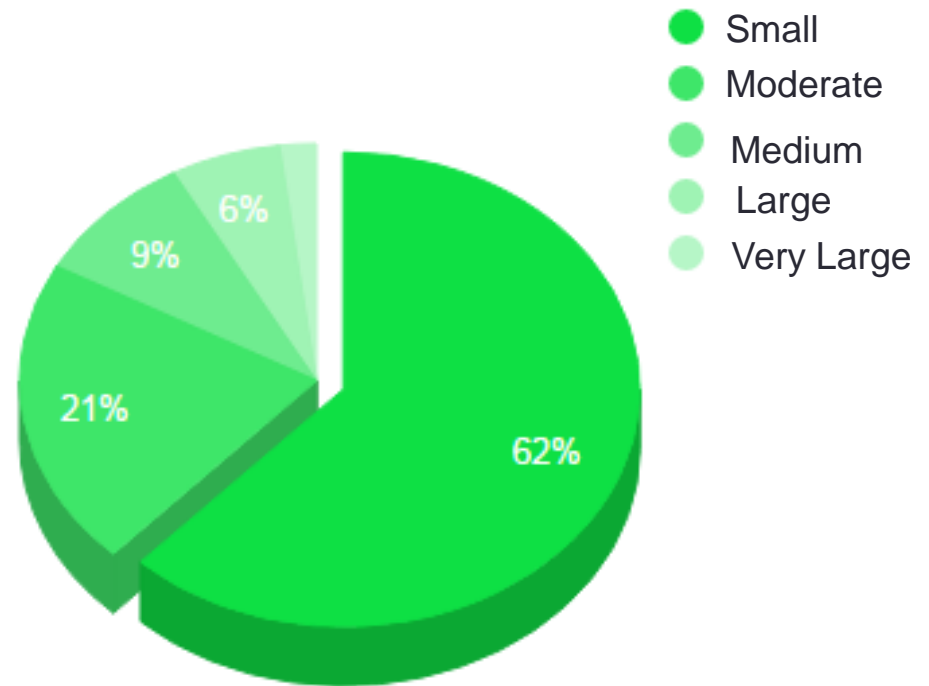


# Software crisis

## CHAOS Report 2015

Is the size of a software project relevant?

% over successful projects  
2011-2015



# Quality software

- The end goal is to produce high quality software

## **What is high quality software?**

Agreement with:

- Functional and non functional requirements
- The documented development standards
- The expected features exhibited by any software developed professionally



# Quality factors

- The classification of the quality factors of software takes into account three important aspects of a software product
  1. Its operational features
  2. Its capability to support updates
  3. Its adaptability to new environments
- These must be measured direct or indirectly during the whole development process

# Quality factors

**Correctness** Does it do what I want?

**Reliability** Is it reliable all the time?

**Efficiency** Will it run in the HW platform efficiently?

**Integrity** Is it safe?

**Usability** Is it designed to be used?

Operational  
features

**Maintainability** May it be corrected?

**Flexibility** May it be easily changed?

**Testability** May it be verified?

Supporting  
Updates

**Reusability** Is the software reusable?

**Portability** May it be used in another HW or OS?

**Interoperability** May it interact with another system?

Adaptability to  
New  
environments

# Software Industry Problems

- Products are low quality
- High maintenance and development costs
- Delivery Delays

## Reasons:

- ✓ *Little investment and effort in the analysis and specification phases*
- ✓ *Use of informal and inadequate models*
- ✓ *Non physical nature of programming*
- ✓ *Poor theoretical foundations*
- ✓ *Products already in the market make it difficult innovation*
- ✓ *High levels of hand crafting*
- ✓ *Groupwork*
- ✓ *Comunication with users*
- ✓ *Project management by non computing engineers*

# Solutions

- Education:
  - Formal methods (executable formal languages: logic + algebra)
  - New development methods and new lifecycles
- Difusion of technological advancements
  - New programming paradigms
  - Architectures, protocols, computation models
- Tools investment
  - Modern development environments
  - Documentation generation engines

# SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

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- ✓ Definitions
- ✓ The Software Development Process

# Definitions

- B. Boehm:
  - “SE is the practical application of scientific knowledge in the design and construction of computer programs and the associated documentation required to develop, operate, and maintain them
- R. Pressman:
  - “SE is a discipline that integrates methods, tools and procedures for the development of Software”.
- A. Davis:
  - “SE is the application of scientific principles for: (1) the transformation of a problem into a SW solution and (2) its maintenance during all its life”.
- I. Sommerville:
  - “SE is an engineering approach covering all aspects of software production”

# A little bit of history

- <http://www.cs.st-andrews.ac.uk/~ifs/Books/SE9/Web/History/>

# Summarizing...

- SE is more than just coding
- The SE process starts well before writing lines of code and it continues after the first version of the product has been completed
- Key tasks are planning and rigorous control of software projects

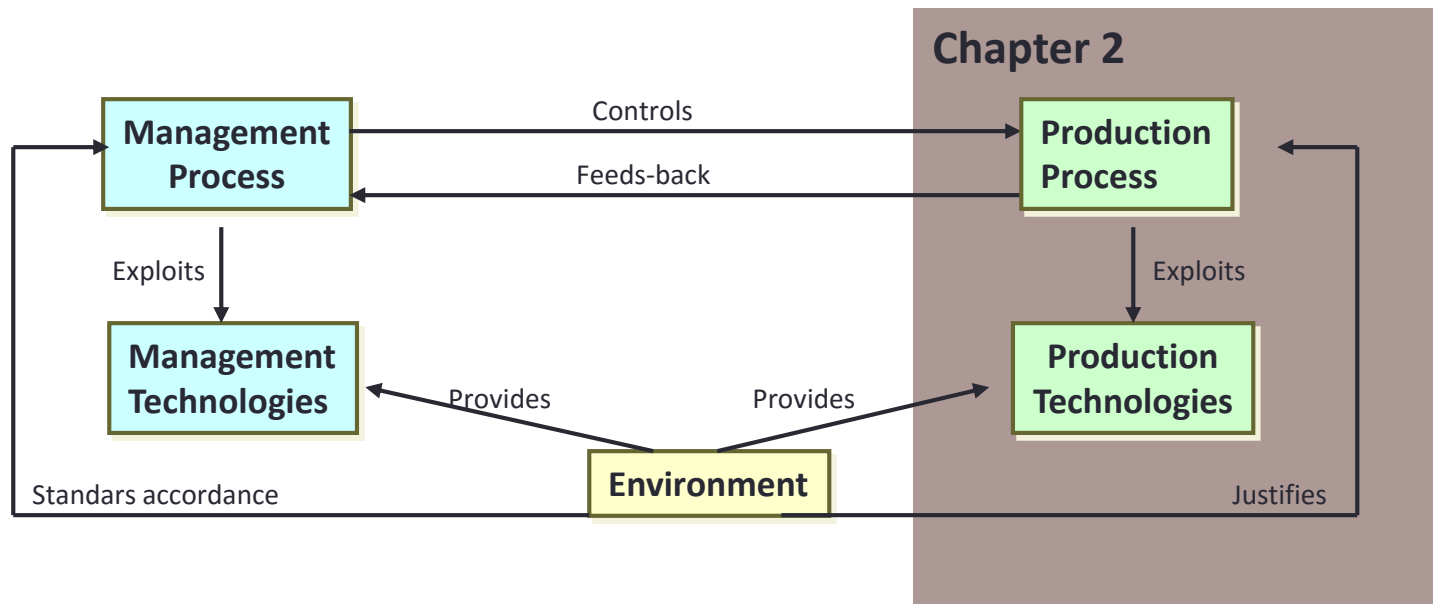


# The importance of the process

- The new challenges to be faced when developing software require fast and effective answers to changing requirements.
- The specification of a development process and the use of tools for its execution and monitoring are mandatory

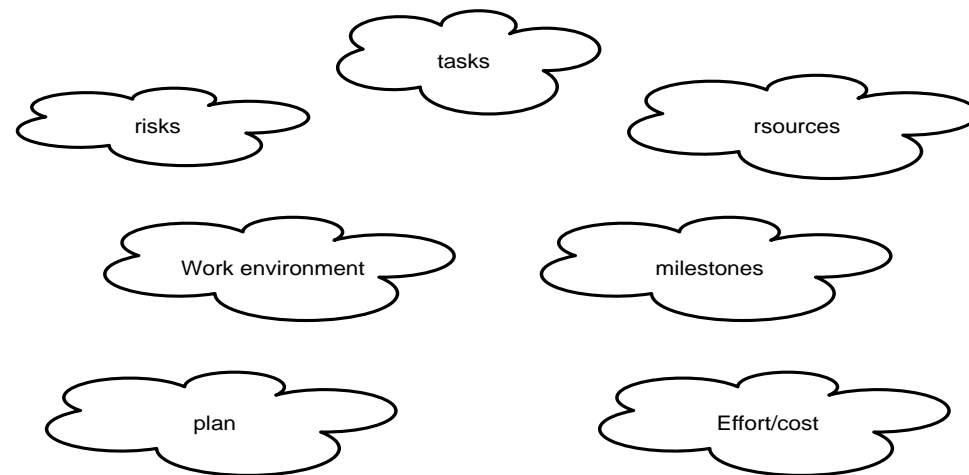
# The Software process

- It is a framework for the development of software



# Software projects management

- The management of a software project is the first level of a software development process and it covers all the development process



# Software engineering vs Engineering

## • Similarities

- Activities to be done are not specific of software projects
- Many common management techniques
- Many similar problems (time, resources, changing specifications...)

## • Differences

- The product (software) is not tangible and flexible
- The software process is not standard. Several alternatives exist
- Many times software projects are “unique”

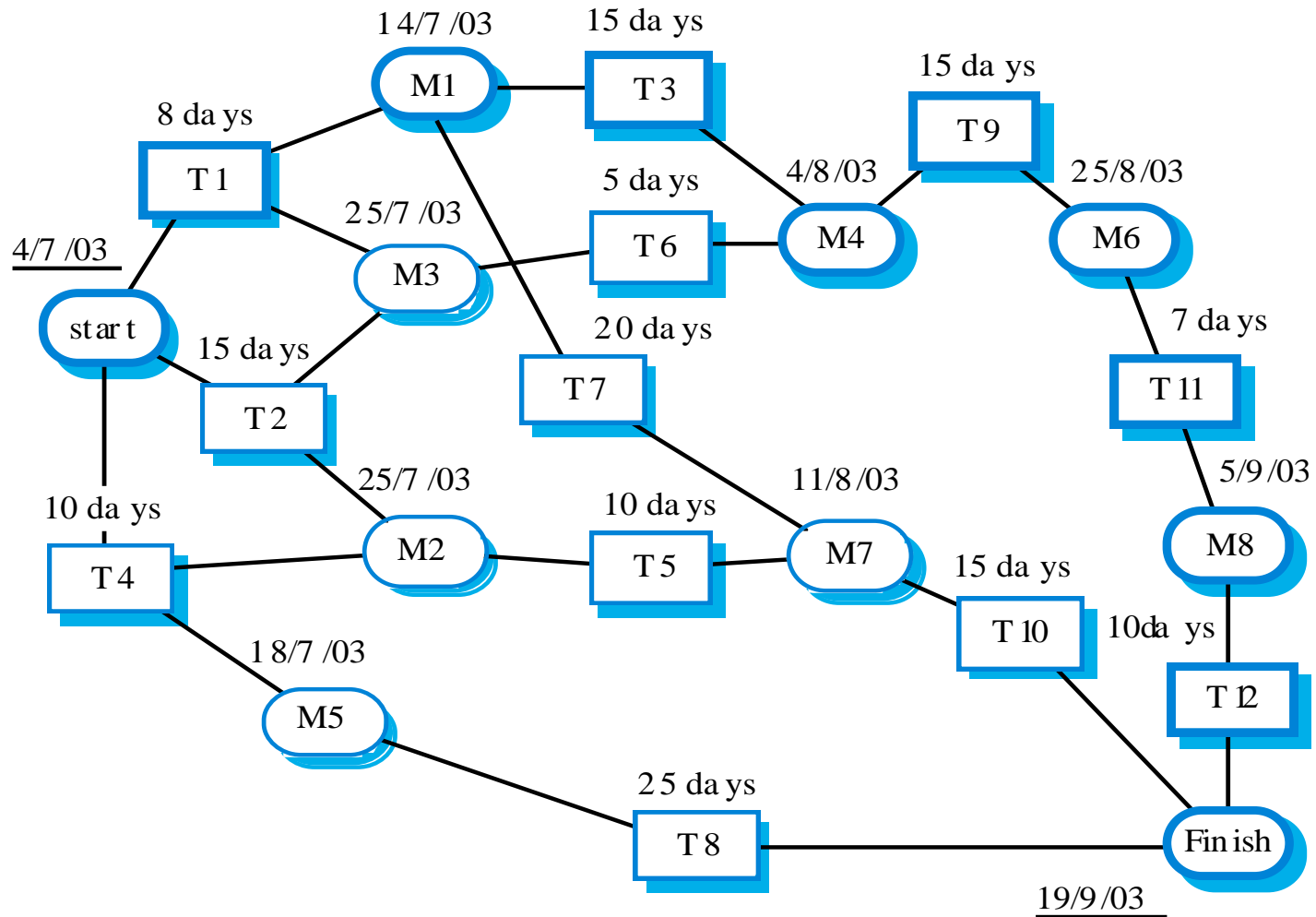
# Software projects management

- Activities involved:
  - Writing proposal
  - Project planning
  - Cost estimation
  - Selection and evaluation of human resources
  - Project control
  - Writing and presenting reports

# Project Plan - Structure

1. **Introduction**                      Goals and restrictions (budget, time...)
2. **Project organization**                      Team Organization (personnel-roles)
3. **Risks analysis**                      Risks, probabilities and estrategies
4. **Software and Hardware requirements**                      Acquisitions, prices, delivery dates ...
5. **Division of labour**                      Activities, milestones and products to deliver
6. **Planning**                      Dependencies between activities  
Estimated time, assigning resources
7. **Supervision and reporting**

# Tasks networks (PERT diagrams)



# Gantt diagram

