CSE 470: Software Engineering



Agile Software Development

Topics



- ♦ Agile Software Development
- Agile manifesto
- ♦ Agile Characteristics
- Existing Agile Methods
 - Extreme Programming
 - Agile Unified Process
 - Scrum

Agile Software Development (cont.)



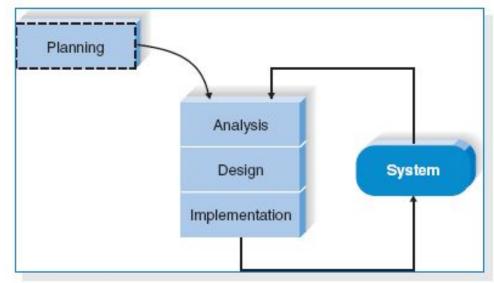
- Dissatisfaction with the overheads involved in software design methods of the 1980s and 1990s led to the creation of agile methods. These methods:
 - Focus on the code rather than the design
 - Are based on an iterative approach to software development
 - Are intended to deliver working software quickly and evolve quickly to meet changing requirements.
- The aim of agile methods is to reduce overheads in the software process (e.g. by limiting documentation) and to be able to respond quickly to changing requirements without excessive rework.

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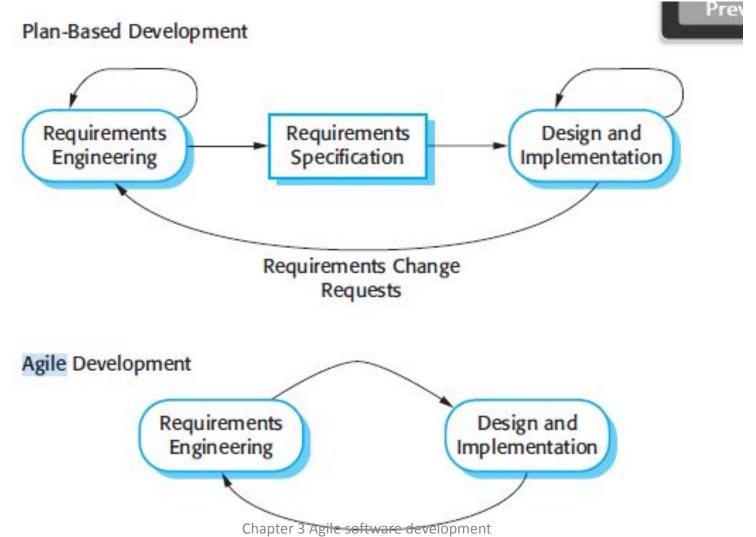
- ❖ Agile software development is a conceptual framework for software engineering that promotes development iterations throughout the life-cycle of the project.
- Software developed during one unit of time is referred to as an iteration, which may last from one to four weeks.

 Agile methods also emphasize working software as the primary measure of progress



Plan-driven and agile specification





Agile Software Development (cont.)



- Characteristics of Agile Software Development
 - -- Light Weighted methodology
 - -- Small to medium sized teams
 - -- vague and/or changing requirements
 - -- vague and/or changing techniques
 - -- Simple design
 - -- Minimal system into production

Agile manifesto



- We are uncovering better ways of developing software by doing it and helping others do it. Through this work we have come to value:
 - Individuals and interactions over processes and tools
 - Working software over comprehensive documentation
 - Customer collaboration over contract negotiation Responding to change over following a plan
- ♦ That is, while there is value in the items on the right, we value the items on the left more.

Agile Characteristics



- ♦ Modularity
- ♦ Iterative
- ♦ Time-bound
- Incremental
- ♦ Convergent
- People-oriented
- ♦ Collaborative

Existing Agile Methods



♦ Extreme Programming ("XP")

♦ Agile Unified Process

♦ Scrum

Extreme Programming

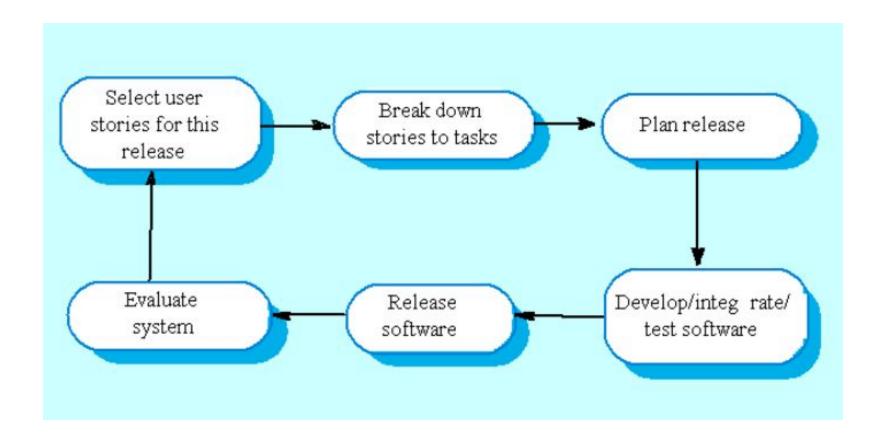


Perhaps the best-known and most widely used agile method.

- Extreme Programming (XP) takes an 'extreme' approach to iterative development.
 - New versions may be built several times per day;
 - Increments are delivered to customers every 2 weeks;
 - All tests must be run for every build and the build is only accepted if tests run successfully.

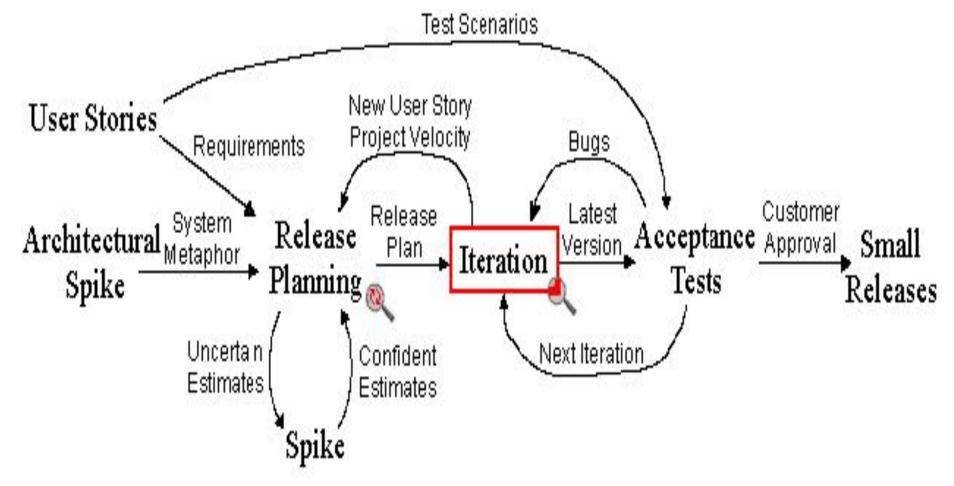
Extreme Programming





Extreme Programming Project

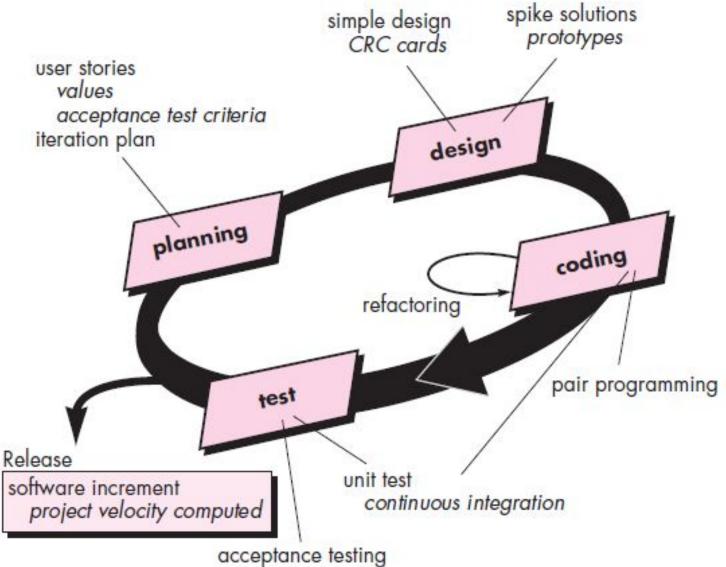




CRC - class-responsibility collaborator

Extreme Programming Project





XP Principle or Practice



Incremental planning

Small releases

Simple design

Test-first development

Refactoring

Pair programming

Collective ownership

Continuous integration

Sustainable pace

On-site customer

Agile Unified Process



♦ Agile Unified Process (AUP) is a simplified version of the Rational Unified Process (RUP).

Phases of AUP

- Inception (scope of the project)
- Elaboration (basic architecture design)
- □ Construction (implementation)
- ☐ Transition (final product release)

Disciplines of AUP



- Business Modelling (requirements and design)
- Implementation
- Test
- Deployment
- Configuration and Change Management
- Project Management
- Environment

Scrum



 It is an Agile S/W development method for project management

Characteristics:

- Prioritized work is done
- Completion of backlog items
- Progress is explained
- Agile Software Development

Scrum Framework



Roles

- Product owner
- •Scrum Master

Jeam

Ceremonies

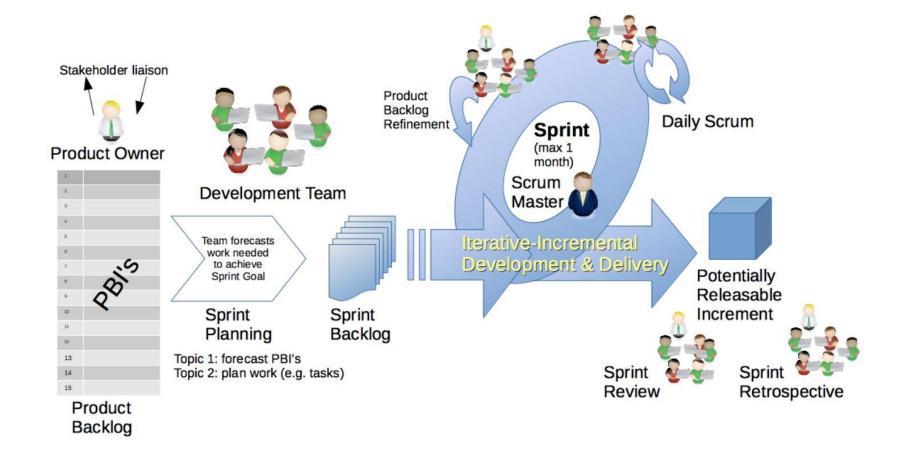
- Sprint planning
- Sprint review and Sprint retrospective
- Daily scrum meeting

Artifacts

- Product backlog
- Sprint backlog
 - Rurndown charts

Scrum Framework (cont.)





Scrum Roles



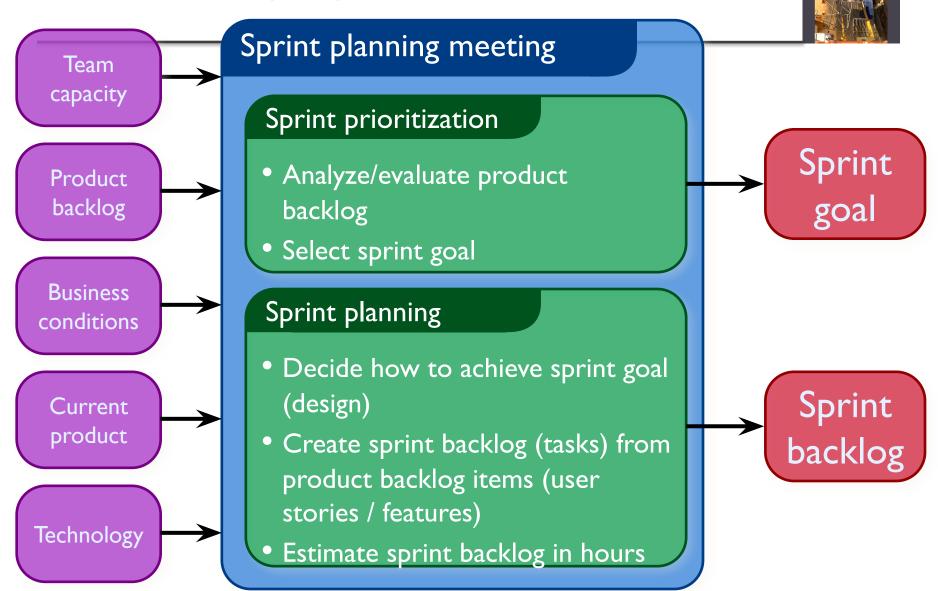
- Product Owner
 - Possibly a Product Manager or Project Sponsor
 - Decides features, release date, prioritization, \$\$\$



- Scrum Master
 - Typically a Project Manager or Team Leader
 - Responsible for enacting Scrum values and practices
 - Remove impediments / politics, keeps everyone productive
- Project Team
 - 5-10 members; Teams are self-organizing
 - Cross-functional: QA, Programmers, UI Designers, etc.
 - Membership should change only between sprints



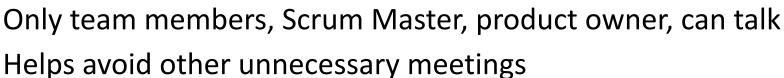
Sprint Planning Mtg.



Daily Scrum Meeting



- Parameters
 Daily, ~15 minutes, Stand-up
 Anyone late pays a \$1 fee
- Not for problem solving
 Whole world is invited



- Three questions answered by each team member:
 - 1. What did you do yesterday?
 - 2. What will you do today?
 - 3. What obstacles are in your way?

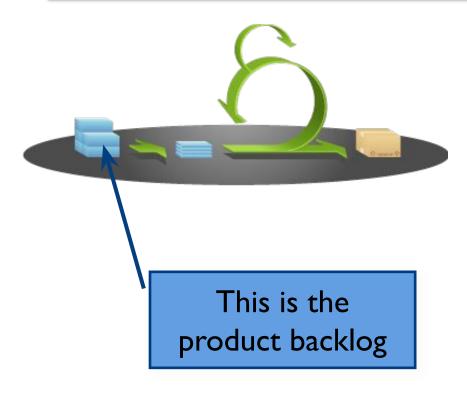
Scrum's Artifacts



- Scrum has remarkably few artifacts
 - Product Backlog
 - Sprint Backlog
 - Burndown Charts
- ♦ Can be managed using just an Excel spreadsheet
 - More advanced / complicated tools exist:
 - Expensive
 - Web-based no good for Scrum Master/project manager who travels
 - Still under development

Product Backlog





- The requirements
- A list of all desired work on project
- Ideally expressed as a list of user stories along with "story points", such that each item has value to users or customers of the product
- Prioritized by the product owner
- Reprioritized at start of each sprint

User Stories



- Instead of Use Cases, Agile project owners do "user stories"
 - Who (user role) Is this a customer, employee, admin, etc.?
 - What (goal) What functionality must be achieved/developed?
 - Why (reason) Why does user want to accomplish this goal?

As a [user role], I want to [goal], so I can [reason].

- ♦ Example:
 - "As a user, I want to log in, so I can access subscriber content."
- story points: Rating of effort needed to implement this story
 - common scales: 1-10, shirt sizes (XS, S, M, L, XL), etc.

Sample Product Backlog



Backlog item	Estimate	
Allow a guest to make a reservation	3 (story points)	
As a guest, I want to cancel a reservation.	5	
As a guest, I want to change the dates of a reservation.	3	
As a hotel employee, I can run RevPAR reports (revenue-per-available-room)	8	
Improve exception handling	8	
	30	
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Sprint Backlog



- Individuals sign up for work of their own choosing
 - Work is never assigned
- Estimated work remaining is updated daily

- Any team member can add, delete change sprint backlog
- Work for the sprint emerges
- If work is unclear, define a sprint backlog item with a larger amount of time and break it down later
- Update work remaining as more becomes known

Sample Sprint backlog



Tasks	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Code the user interface	8	4	8		
Code the middle tier	16	12	10	4	
Test the middle tier	8	16	16	Ш	8
Write online help	12				
Write the Foo class	8	8	8	8	8
Add error logging			8	4	

Sprint Burndown Chart

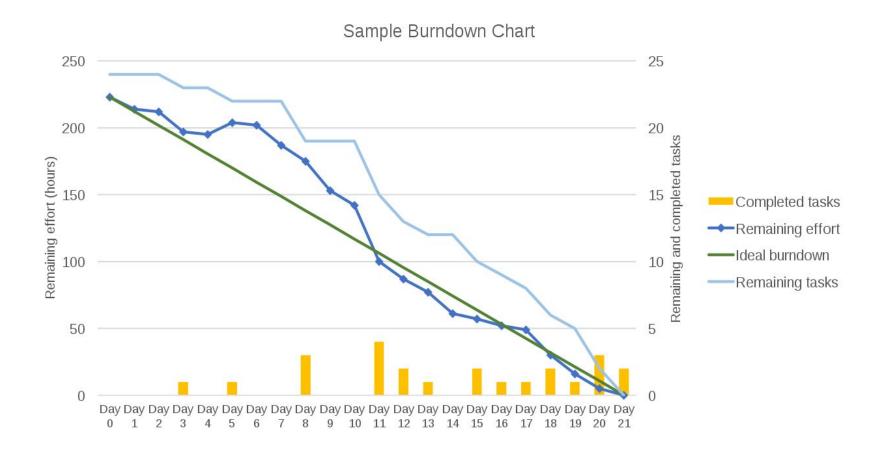


- A display of what work has been completed and what is left to complete
 - one for each developer or work item
 - updated every day
 - (make best guess about hours/points completed each day)

- variation: Release burndown chart
 - shows overall progress
 - updated at end of each sprint

Sprint Burndown Chart





The Sprint Review



- Team presents what it accomplished during the sprint
- ♦ Typically takes the form of a demo of new features or

underlying architecture

- ♦ Informal
 - 2-hour prep time rule
 - No slides
- ♦ Whole team participates
- Invite the world



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