

## Unit 5

### Software as a Tool - Functionality and Development Methodologies

This week's consideration focused on software, how it's developed, categorised and supported on operating systems.

#### General thoughts about this unit

My career background is in software development, so I found the topics in this unit familiar. The classification of software applications along the lines of system software or application software is an interesting view and one that follows the concept of **abstraction** in which objects and entities are generalised into more abstract concepts. In this aspect, abstracting software into "application" or "operating systems" quite nicely categorises their *purpose*.