

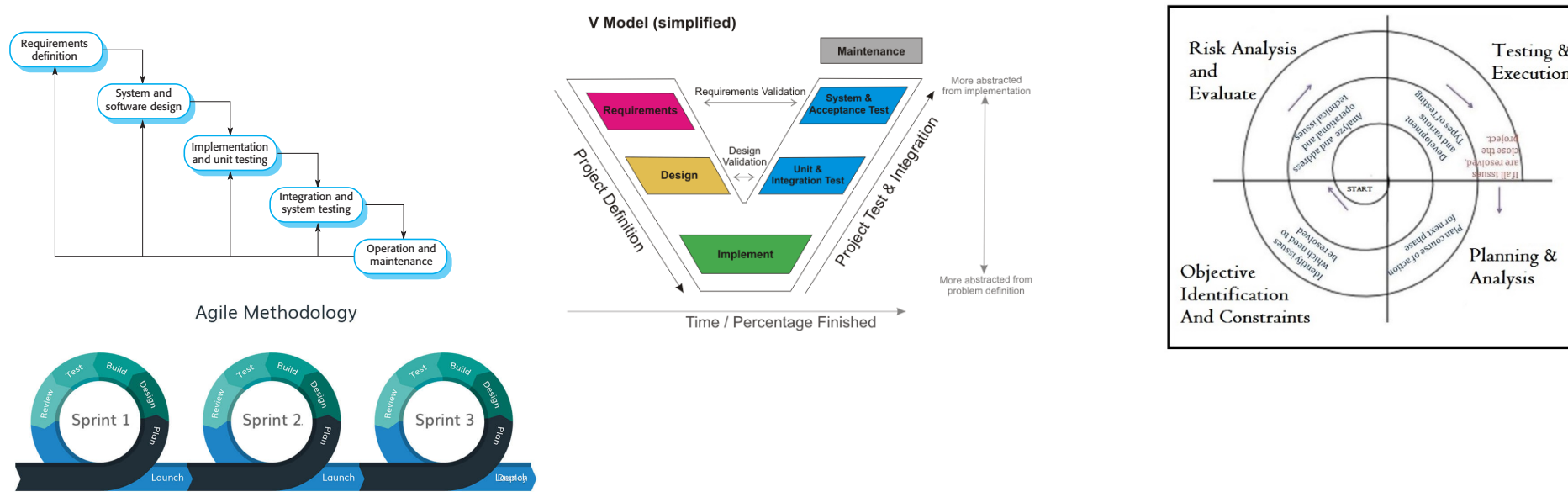
# **SE202**

# **Introduction to Software Engineering**

**Lecture 9-2**

**Software Process Models**  
**Adaptive**

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# Software Process Model

- A software process model is an abstract representation of a process. It presents a description of a process from some particular perspective.
  - Ad-hoc software development, code-and-fix, waterfall, evolutionary, rapid prototyping, spiral, etc.
- Different process model is for different SW development purpose. You should know strength and weakness of each for choosing model properly.

# Software development models

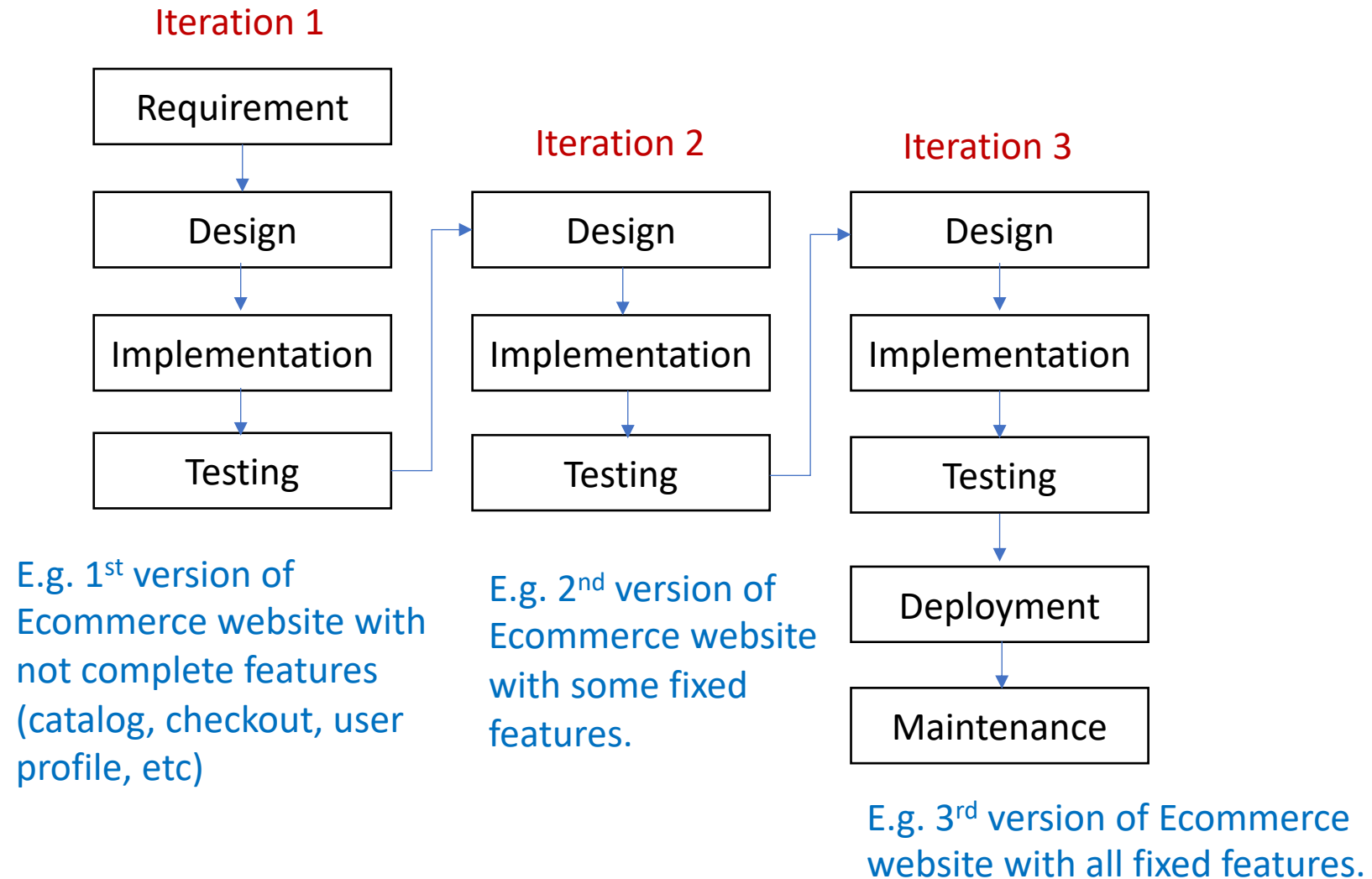
- There are two categories:
  - Predictive development model
    - E.g. Waterfall model, Incremental waterfall model and V model
    - Most requirements, processes, schedule and technologies are anticipated
    - Work well for short projects where you know everything in advance
    - Work poorly if requirements are uncertain or change during the project
  - Adaptive development model (Iterative model)
    - E.g. Prototypes, Spiral and Agile
    - Give opportunities to change direction by regularly reviewing a progress of project
    - Work well with changing or uncertain requirements

**Iterative = doing something again and again, usually to improve it**

# Iterative model

- An approach that repeats a series of development efforts again and again in order to improve a working prototype
  - Iteration 1: Initially provides some (not all) of the software specifications and develop the first version of the software (simple prototype).
  - Iteration 2: [After the first version if there is a need to change the software] Repeat the development to get a new version of application.
  - Later iterations: Continue the changed until reach the development of accurate application
- Pro: Suitable of large project, major requirements must be defined; however, some details can evolve with time, Support user feedback
- Con: Costly system architecture or design issues

# Iterative model with an example



# Incremental vs iterative

- Iterative

- Develop through repeated cycles
- Start simple, expecting to change
- Used to improve the candidate solution



- Incremental

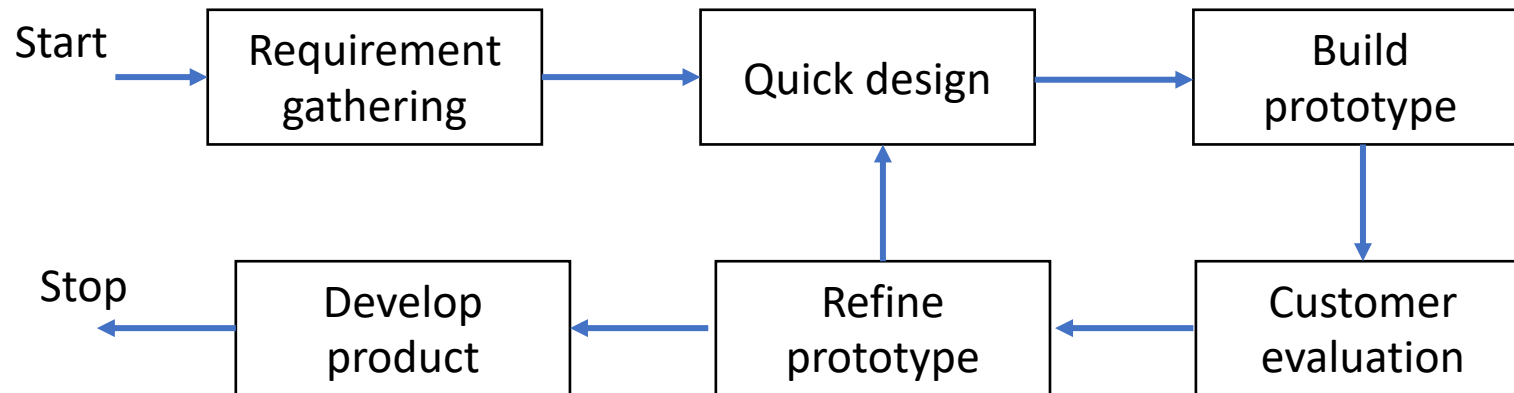
- Develop smaller portions at a time
- Gradually build up functionality
- Allow value to be delivered early



Give me some real-world examples to compare iterative and incremental approach

# Prototyping

- A prototype is a simplified model that lets you study the behavior of some part of an application.
- A software prototype is a program that mimics part of the application you want to build.



# Type of prototypes

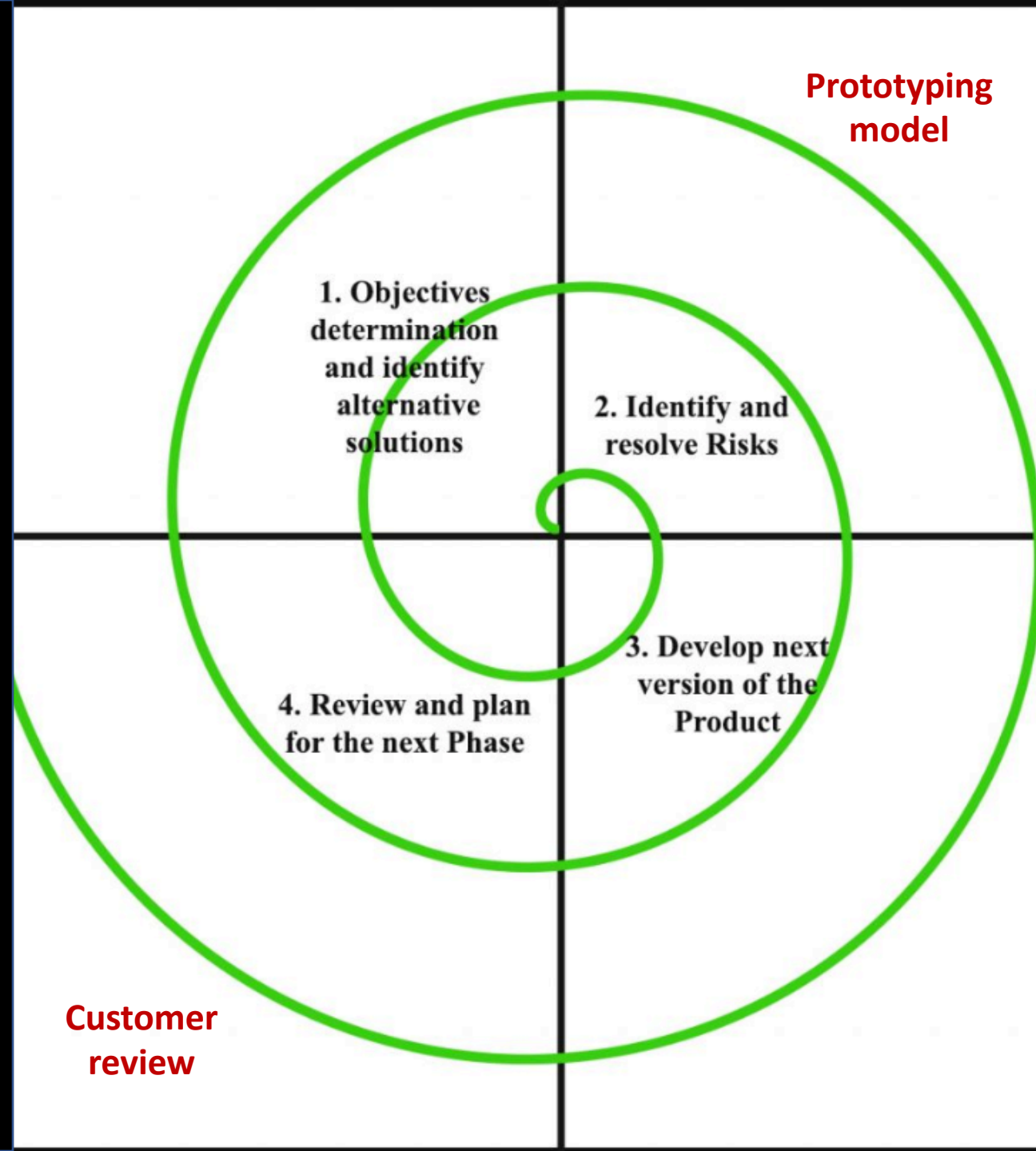
- Throwing away prototypes
  - The prototype to study some aspect of the system and then you throw it away and write code from scratch
- Evolutionary prototypes
  - The prototype demonstrates some of the application's features. As the project progresses, you refine those features and add new ones until the prototype transform into the finished application.



# Spiral

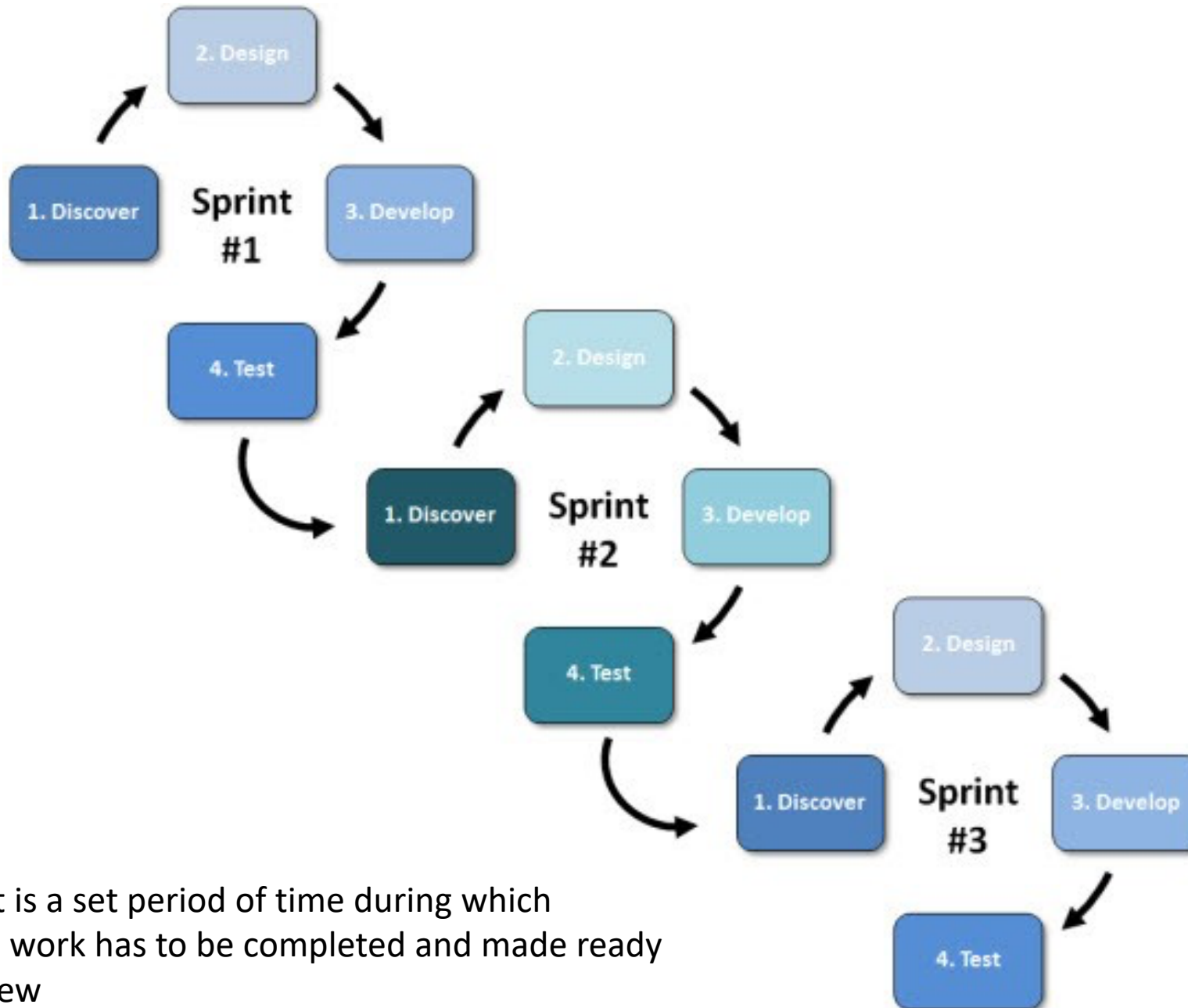
- The spiral model is a risk-driven approach that uses a sequence of repeating phases to identify project risks to reduce the chances of the project failing
- Each loop of the spiral is called a phase of the software development process (planning, risk analysis, engineering, and evaluation).
- The exact number of phases can be varied by the PM estimating the project risks.
- Pro: many points of reviewing and making decisions, focus on risk analysis, support changing very well
- Con: It's complicated, risk analysis can be difficult, not suitable for small project

# Spiral model



# Agile

- Agile model is a combination of both incremental and iterative model and promotes more involvement of customer during the software development.
- Pro: Rapid development, Allows changes easily, Strong communication of software team with the customer, Focus on user and customer
- Con: Mainly depends on the customer, Not suitable for large projects, Lack of documentation

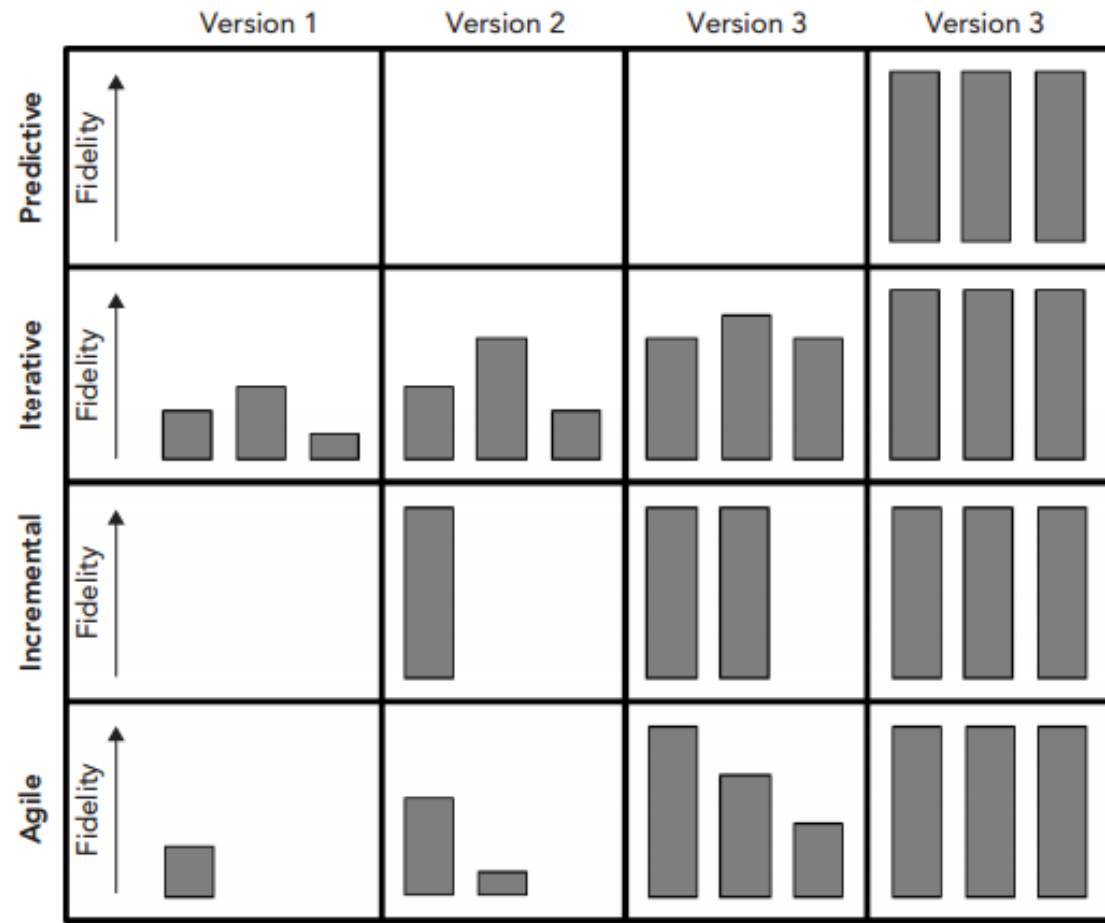


A sprint is a set period of time during which specific work has to be completed and made ready for review

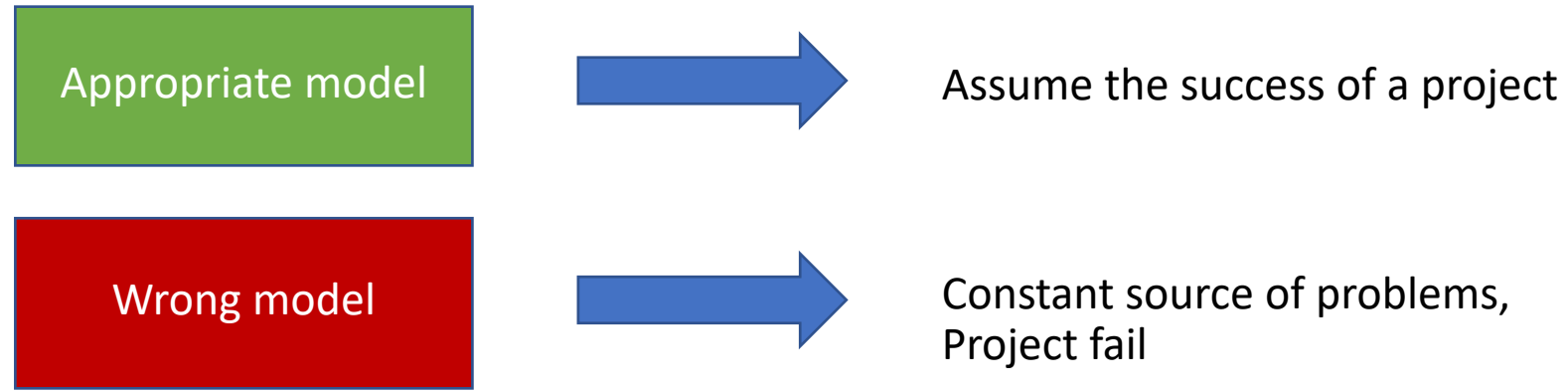
# Different development approaches add features and increase fidelity in different ways

Fidelity = The completeness of feature

- **Predictive approaches** make one big release when everything is done.
- **Iterative approaches** release every feature with low fidelity and then improve fidelity over time.
- **Incremental approaches** release features as they are finished with high fidelity.
- **Agile approaches** combine iterative and incremental approaches. Features are released as soon as they are useful. Over time, existing features are improved, and new features are added.



# Choosing a model



- Guideline to choose right model
  - Aware of what level of understanding we have of requirement
  - Expect of lifetime of the project
  - Risk
  - Schedule constraints
  - Interaction with customers
  - Expertise

# Model usage prerequisites

- **Make sure everyone on the team is on board**
  - Everyone needs to agree on what the rules are and what procedures you will use to make sure the rules are followed.