

# Risk Assessment

By the end of this tutorial, you will be able to understand the basics of software risk and testing

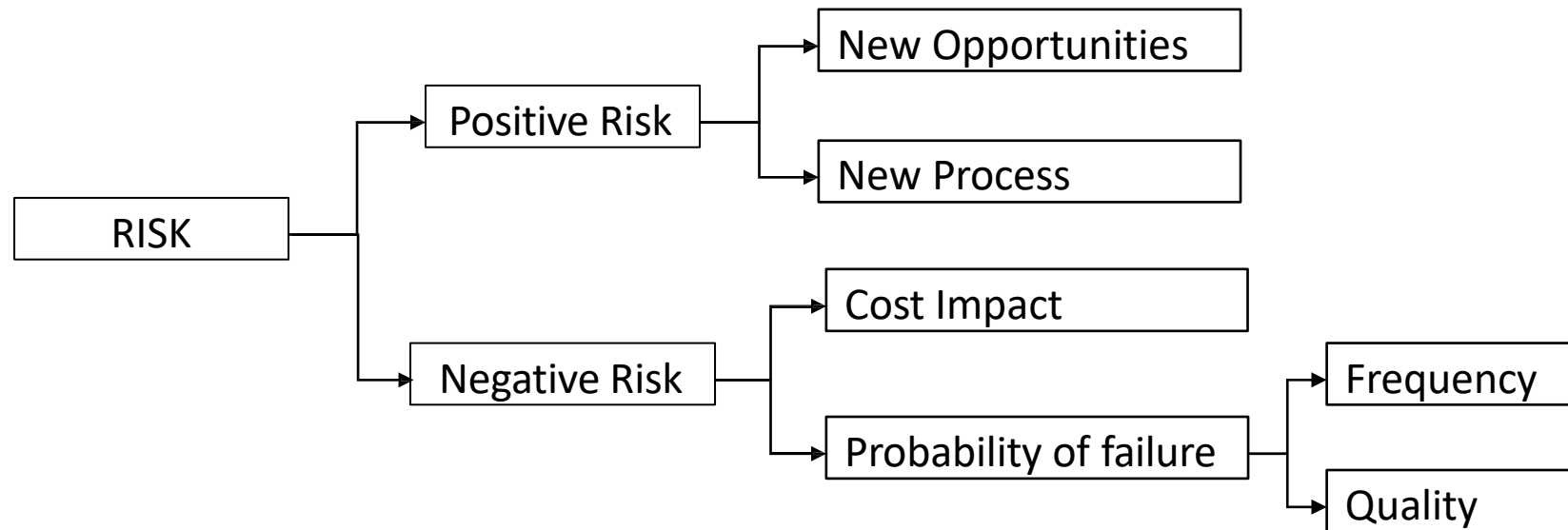
## Instructional Units in the Module

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5	Risk identification	Required
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7	Risk mitigation	Required
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# What is Risk?

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- ❑ Occurrence of an uncertain or unexpected event
- ❑ Has a positive or negative impact on a project's objectives
- ❑ Likelihood occurrence or change of a particular set of circumstances
- ❑ Might happen in the past or current or may happen in future
- ❑ May affect the budget, business, technical, performance and quality objectives



# Risk

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## ☐ Cost Impact

- Financial Loss
- Loss of client's trust
- Critical business impact
- Time to market

## ☐ Probability of failure

- Likelihood \* complexity

Likelihood – Rare, often, most likely

Complexity – severity

## ☐ Risk = Probability of failure \* Cost Impact

$$R(f) = P(f) * C(f)$$

$R(f)$  – Calculated risk of function  $f$

$P(f)$  – Probability of failure in function  $f$

$C(f)$  – Cost Impact of failure in function  $f$

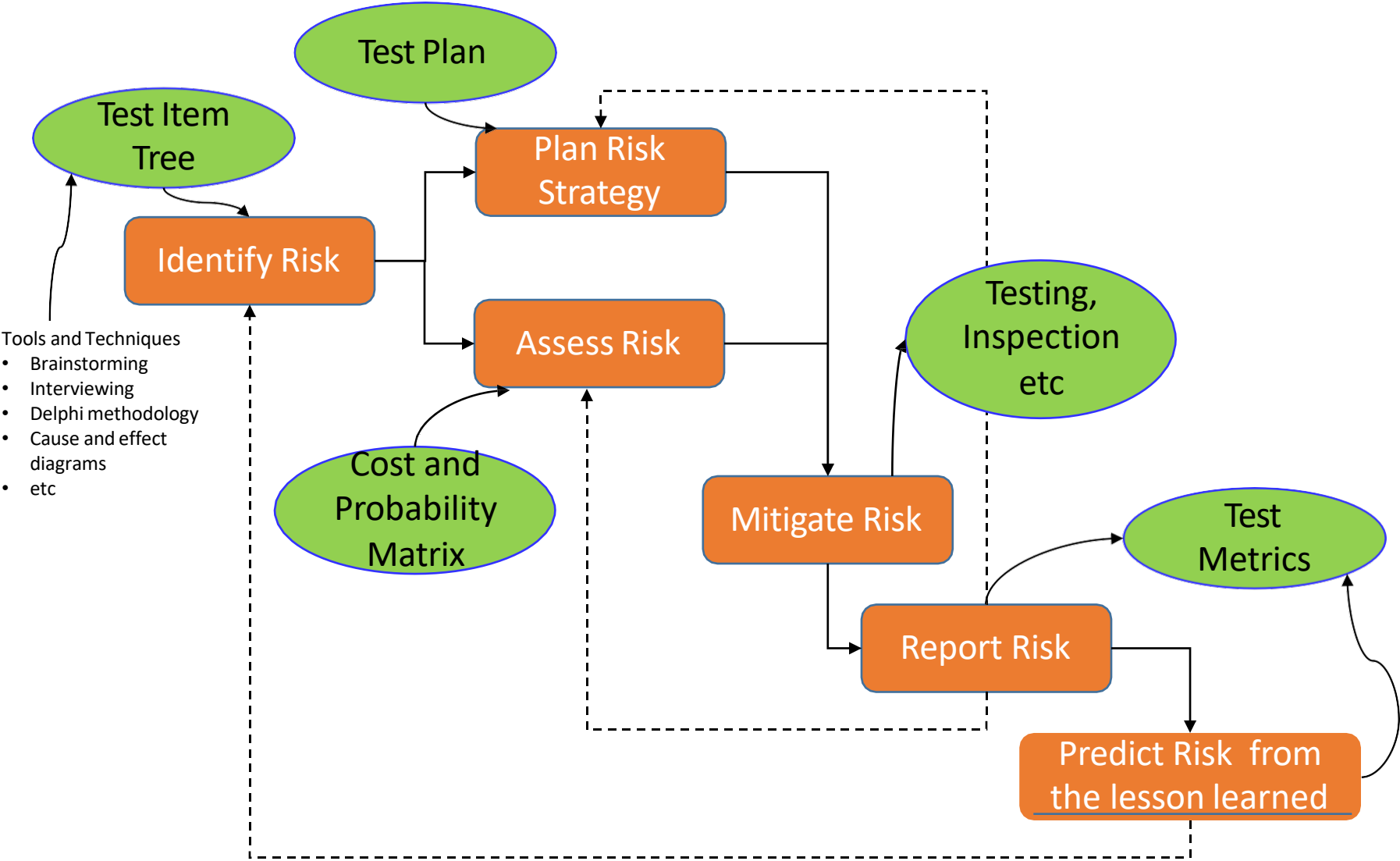
Results EMV – Expose Monetary Value

## Risk Based Testing (RBT)

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- ☐ Testing Strategy that implements risk management concepts
- ☐ It is an iterative process evaluated at different levels such as project level, requirements gathering level, and test level
- ☐ Client centric approach to deliver the most important feature required by the clients
- ☐ Reduces the impact and probability of negative risks and increases the risk level of positive
- ☐ Provides the high visibility of risk and helps to make a better decision by knowing the risk
- ☐ Inexperienced resources utilized while implementing the hi-tech projects
- ☐ Projects with security vulnerabilities and SQL injection threats

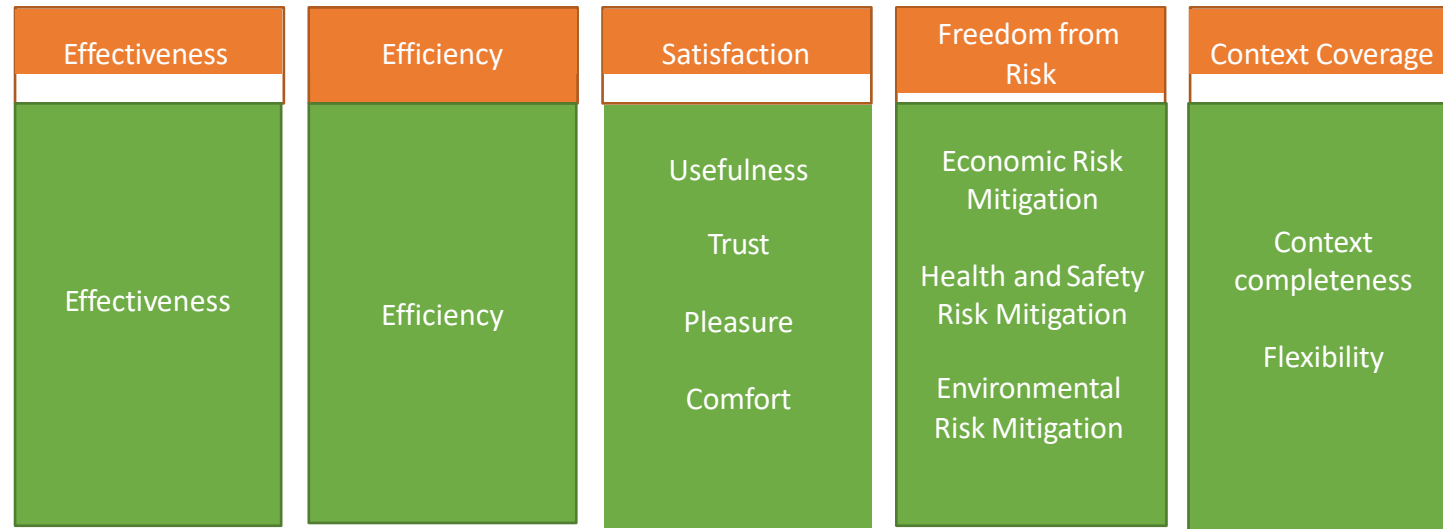
# Risk Management Process (RMP)



# Quality in Use (ISO/IEC 25010:2011)

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- ❑ Five characteristics of the product/ service quality



All characteristics can be attributed to various stakeholder activities based on the industry, such as the engagement of an operator or software maintenance.

# Software Product Quality (ISO/IEC 25010:2011)

☐ Eight characteristics of Software product quality

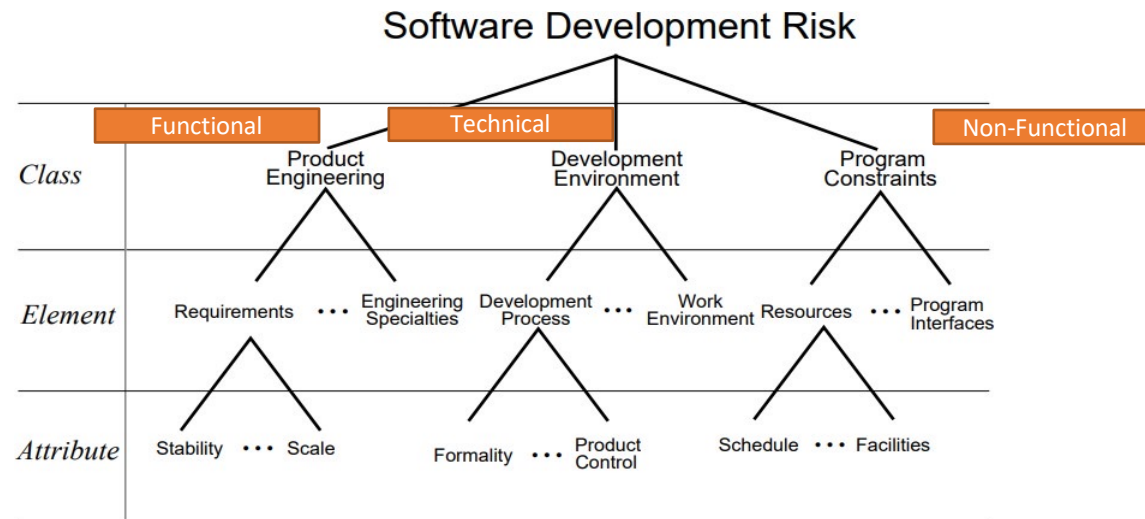
Functional Suitability	Performance Efficiency	Compatibility	Usability	Reliability	Security	Maintainability	Portability
Functional Completeness Correctness Appropriateness	Time Behaviour Resource Utilisation Capacity	Co-existence Interoperability	Appropriateness Learnability User Error Protection User Interface Aesthetics Accessibility	Maturity Availability Fault Tolerance Recoverability	Confidentiality Integrity Accountability Authenticity Non-repudiation	Modularity Reusability Analyzability Modifiability Testability	Adaptability Installability Replaceability

All characteristics can be classified further based on the size and functionalities of the product



# 1. Risk Identification

- ❑ Risk can be
  - Known – Project team is aware of it (ex. Implementation of logics)
  - Unknown – Surfaced during the testing and become known
  - Unknowable - No one could foresee, which has the critical impact
- ❑ Risk should be identified using a structured and iterative manner with involvement of the key stakeholders to manage it better
- ❑ Sample test item tree as below



## 2. Risk Strategy & Assessment

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- ❑ Analysis of identification helps to develop the risk matrix
- ❑ Qualitative Risk Analysis is more subjective. Focuses to measure likelihood and consequences. The matrix size can be decided based on the project size (ex 3 \* 3, 5 \* 5). It gives good insight to various risks which impact the project and surfaces the one requires further assessment and controlling.

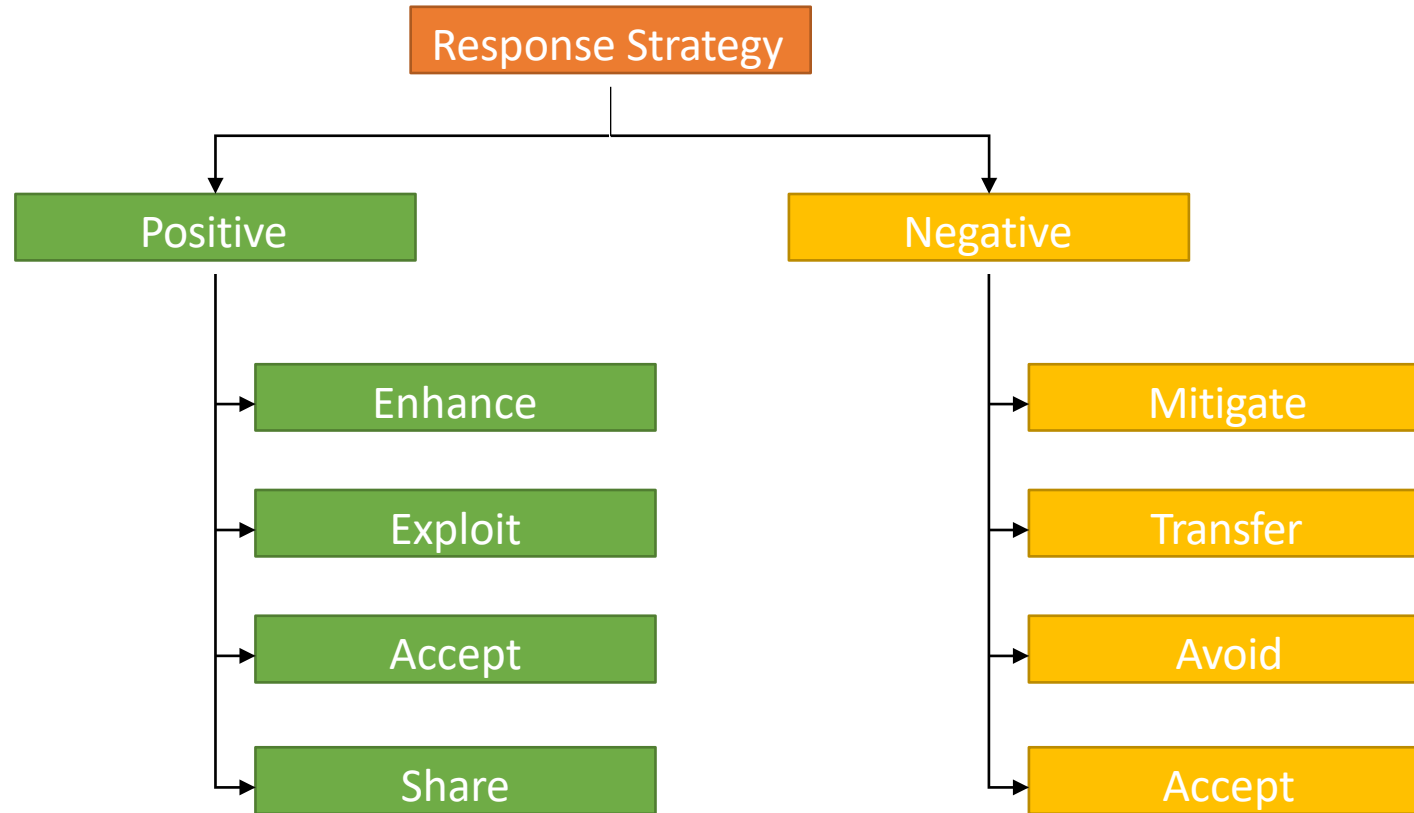
		Likelihood				
		1 Rare	2 Unlikely	3 Possible	4 Likely	5 Almost Certain
Consequences	5 Catastrophic	5	10	15	20	25
	4 Major	4	8	12	16	20
	3 Moderate	3	6	9	12	15
	2 Minor	2	2	6	8	10
	1 Negligible	1	2	3	4	5
Risk =		Low	Moderate	High	Extreme	

- ❑ Quantitative Risk Analysis is more objective, scientific and data intensive approach. Uses verifiable data to analyse the impact. It is optional and helps to take informed decisions.

### 3. Risk Mitigation

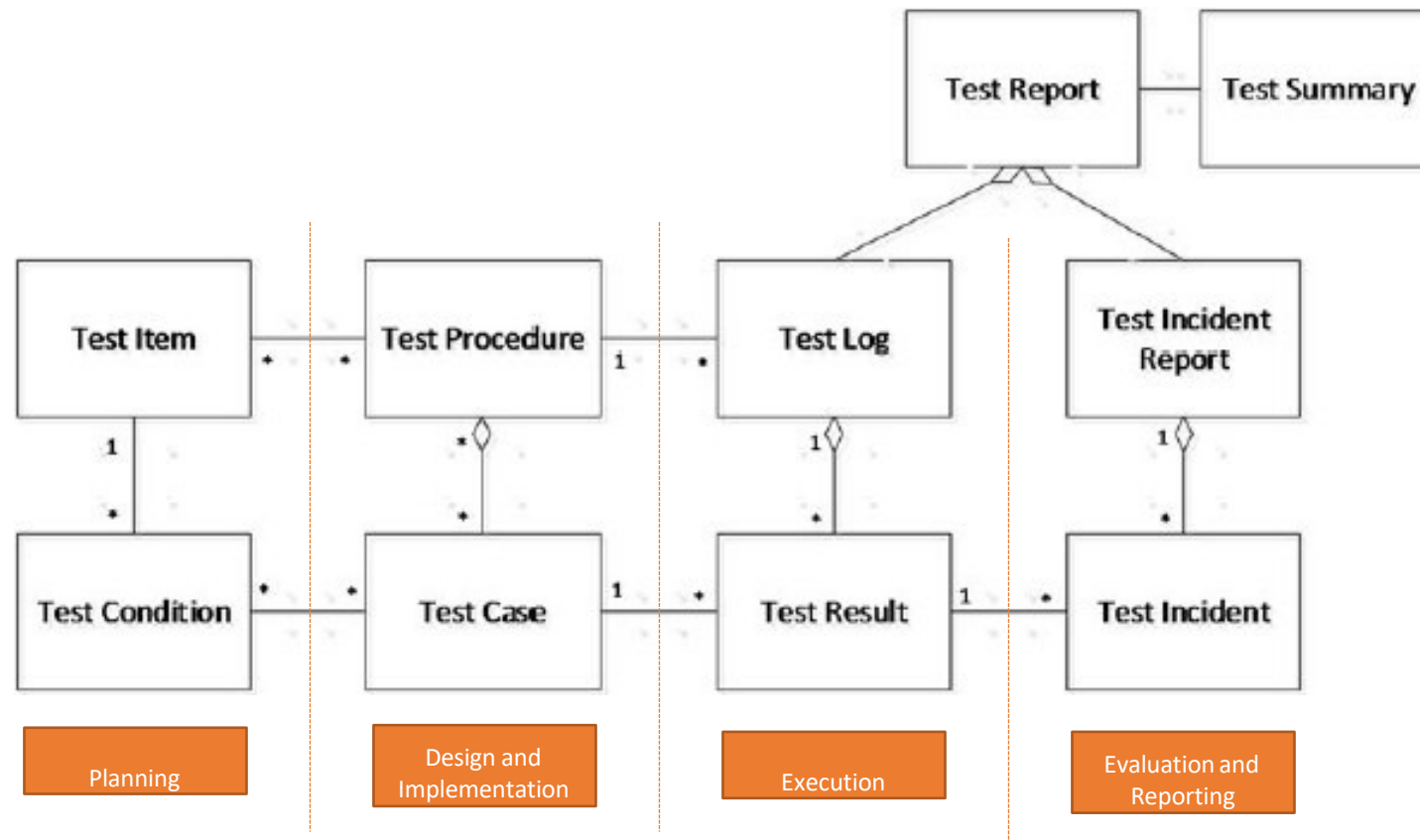
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- ❑ Helps to lessen the impact of possible threats



# Test Planning

- ❑ Plan the test containing the details of conditions, testing techniques, coverage, and exit criteria to assess the risk



# Readings

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Risk Based Testing

<https://www.cs.tut.fi/tapahtumat/testaus04/schaefer.pdf>

Risk Based Testing

<https://www.guru99.com/risk-based-testing.html>

Taxonomy-Based Risk Identification

[https://resources.sei.cmu.edu/asset\\_files/TechnicalReport/1993\\_005\\_001\\_16166.pdf](https://resources.sei.cmu.edu/asset_files/TechnicalReport/1993_005_001_16166.pdf)

Information Security Risk Analysis Method

<http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/viewdoc/download?doi=10.1.1.476.9691&rep=rep1&type=pdf>

No Risk/ No Test

[https://sig-switzerland.ch/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/SIGS\\_TS2016\\_University\\_of\\_Innsbruck\\_No\\_Risk\\_No\\_Test.pdf](https://sig-switzerland.ch/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/SIGS_TS2016_University_of_Innsbruck_No_Risk_No_Test.pdf)

Qualitative vs Quantitative

<https://projectriskcoach.com/evaluating-risks-using-quantitative-risk-analysis/>

Qualitative vs Quantitative Risk Assessment – Construction Industry

<https://www.pmu.edu.sa/attachments/academics/pdf/udp/coe/dept/ce/qualitative-quantitative-risk-assessment-models.pdf>

ISO/IEC 9126-1 preview

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BS ISO/IEC 25010:2011

<https://pdfs.semanticscholar.org/57a5/b99e244337c9f4678b5b23d25.pdf>

The Journeymap to Project Risk Analysis

<https://cdn2.hubspot.net/hubfs/2405298/E-book:%20Journeymap%20to%20Project%20Risk%20Analysis.pdf>

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