# COMP20050 - Software Engineering Project II

## Scrum Software Engineering Framework

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# COMP20050 - Weeks 3 & 4

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**Scrum**                                    JavaFX
Software Architecture                        JavaFX's SceneBuidler

**Scrum Software**                           Introduction to JavaFX
**Engineering Framework**
Software Architecture                        Introduction to JavaFX SceneBuilder

# Outline (Learning Objectives)

- Understand the core concepts of Scrum software engineering framework.
- Understand the Cynefin framework to learn where Scrum can be useful.
- Become familiar with the project tracking and communication tools.

# What is Scrum?



- **Scrum** is the most popular **agile** approach for developing innovative products and services.
- **Scrum** is not a standardized process but a framework for organizing and managing work.
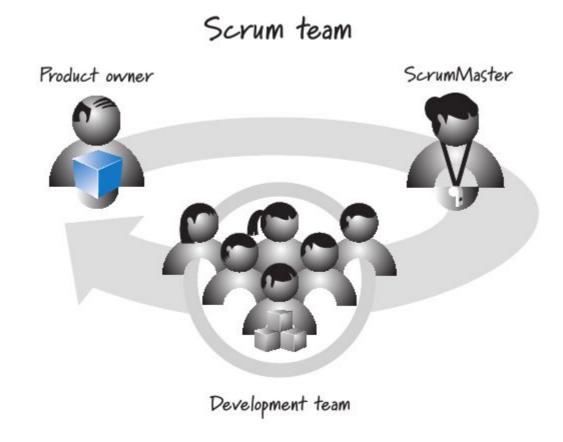
# Scrum Origins

- The term **Scrum** originated in a 1986 Harvard Business Review article, "**The New New Product Development Game**" (Takeuchi and Nonaka 1986).

*The traditional sequential or 'relay race' approach to product development - exemplified by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's phased program planning (PPP) system - may conflict with the goals of maximum speed and flexibility. Instead, a holistic or 'rugby' approach - where a team tries to go the distance as a unit, passing the ball back and forth - may better serve today's competitive requirements.*

- Jeff Sutherland and Ken Schwaber codified and published **Scrum** in 1995.

# Scrum Roles



Scrum team

Product owner

ScrumMaster

Development team

- A **Scrum team** has three roles:
  - 1 **Product owner**.
  - 1 **ScrumMaster**.
  - **Development team** (small team of developers).

# Product Owner

- The **product owner** is the single authority responsible for deciding which features and functionality to build and the order in which to build them.
- The **product owner** maintains and communicates to all other participants (stakeholders) a clear vision of what the Scrum team is trying to achieve.
- The **product owner** is responsible for the overall success of the solution being developed or maintained.
- The **product owner** actively collaborates with the ScrumMaster and development team.

# ScrumMaster

- The **ScrumMaster** champions the Scrum approach.
- A leader, not a manager (can't hire and fire the developers).
- As a facilitator, helps the team resolve issues.
- Responsible for removing impediments to team productivity.

# Development Team

- Scrum defines the **development team** as a diverse, cross-functional collection (architect, programmer, database designer, user interface designer) who design, build and test the product.

- The **development team** self-organizes to determine the best way to accomplish the goal set out by the product owner.
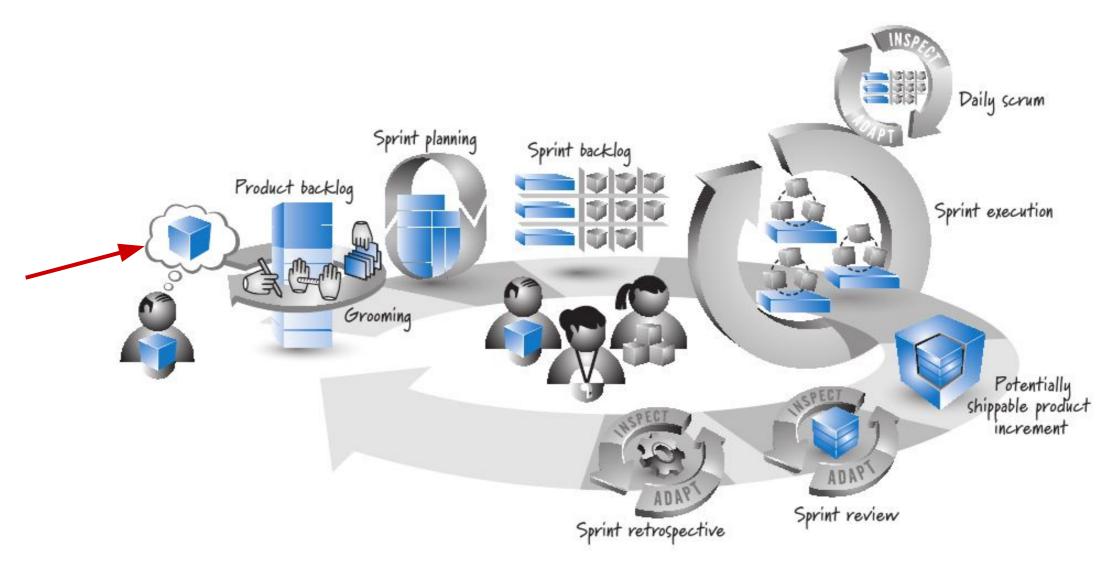
# Scrum Roles in Your Group

- Lecturer will be the **product owner**.

- The group members will form the **development team**.

- For each sprint, one group member can volunteer to be the **ScrumMaster**.
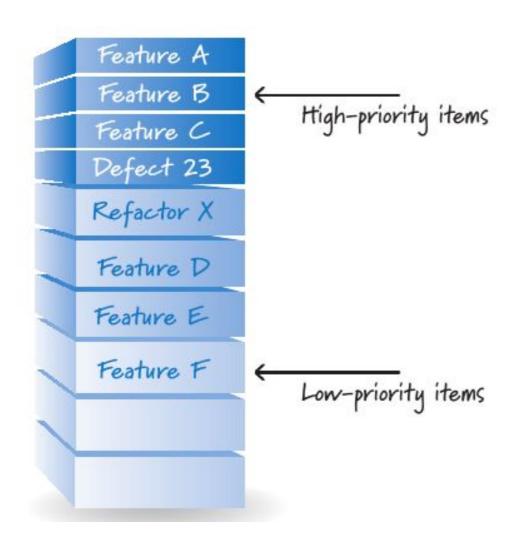
# Scrum Activities and Artifacts



- The **product owner** has a vision of what to create (**the big cube**).
- The **cube** is broken down into a set of features that are collected into a prioritized list called the **product backlog** through an activity called **grooming**.
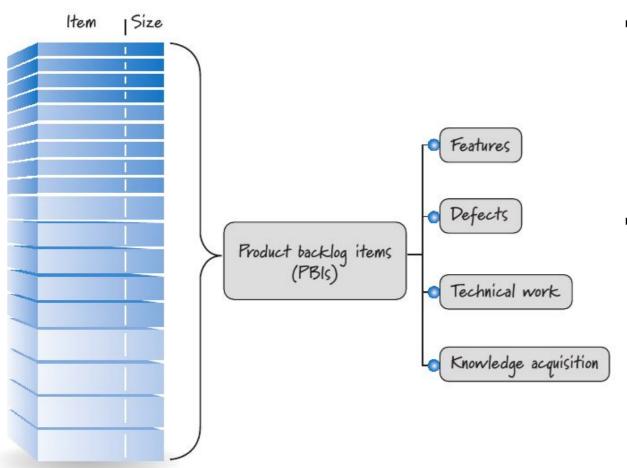
# Product Backlog



Feature A
Feature B
Feature C ← High-priority items
Defect 23
Refactor X
Feature D
Feature E
Feature F ← Low-priority items

- The product owner is responsible for determining and managing the sequence of this work in the form of a prioritized (or ordered) list known as the **product backlog**.

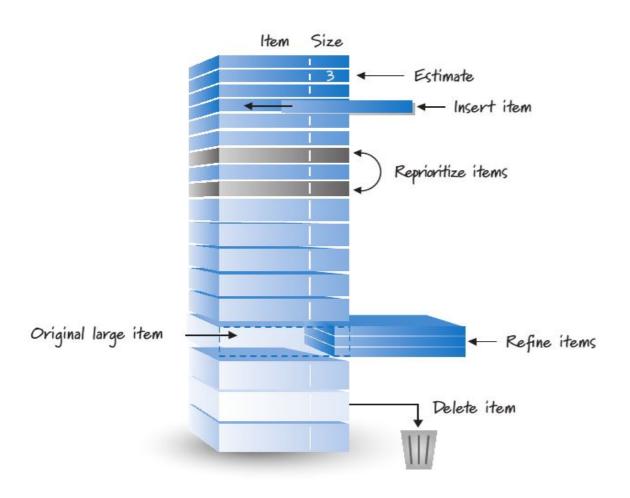- **High-value items** appear at the top of the **product backlog** and the **lower-value items** appear toward the bottom.

# Product Backlog Items (PBIs)

Item | Size

Product backlog items (PBIs)
- Features
- Defects
- Technical work
- Knowledge acquisition

- Most **PBIs** are **features**, items of functionality that will have tangible value to the user or customer.

- Other **PBIs** include defects needing repair, technical improvements, and any other work the product owner deems valuable.
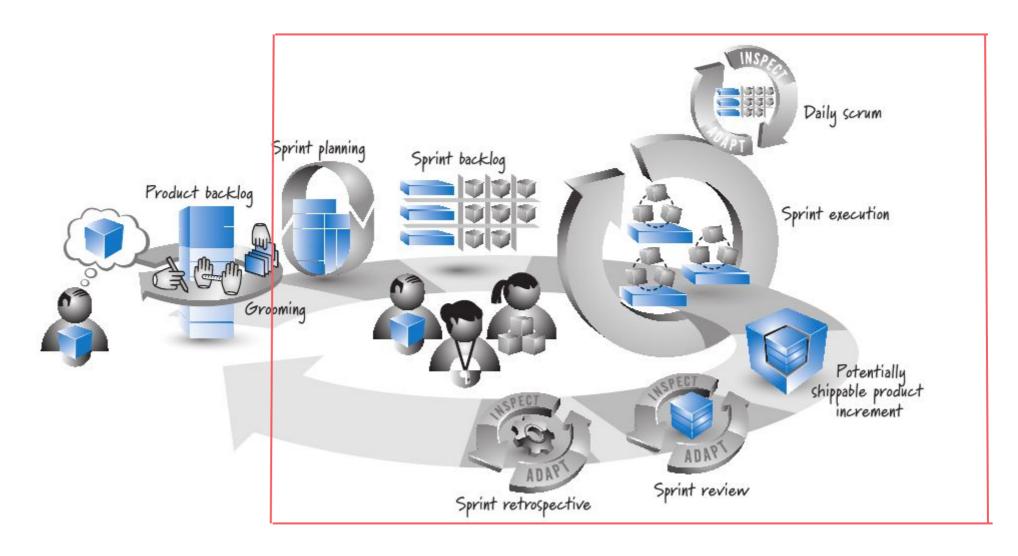
# Product Backlog Evolution



Item    Size

3 ← Estimate

← Insert item

Reprioritize items

Original large item      ← Refine items

Delete item

- The **Product Backlog** changes over the duration of the project as:
  - Items get **done** and removed from the backlog.
  - New items are identified and added.
  - The team spots defects that need fixes.
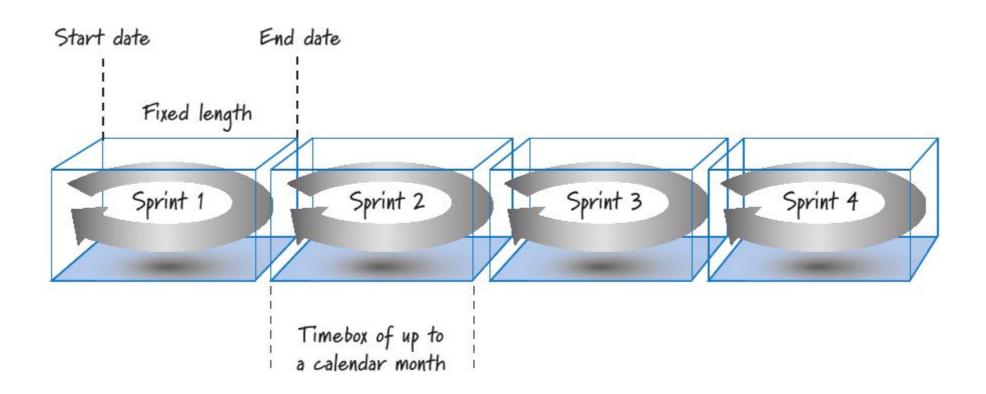  - Vague long term items get clarified and split into many simpler, do-able, near term items.

# Sprints in Scrum



- In Scrum, work is performed in **iterations** or **cycles** of up to a calendar month called **sprints**.
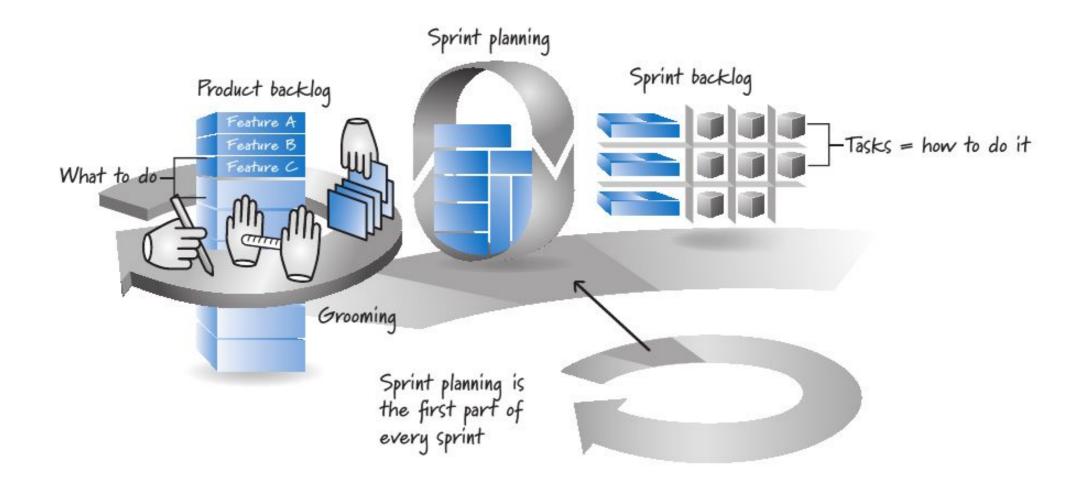
# Sprints



- The work completed in each sprint should create something of tangible value to the customer or user.
- **Sprints** are **timeboxed** so they always have a fixed start and end date, and generally they should all be of the same duration.
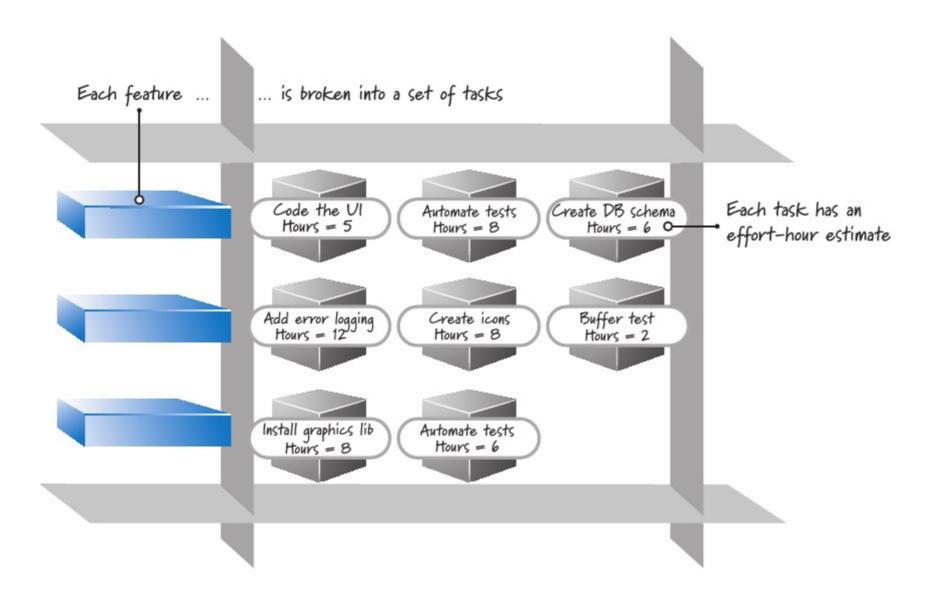
# Sprint Planning



- During **sprint planning**, the product owner and development team agree on a sprint goal that defines what the upcoming sprint is supposed to achieve.
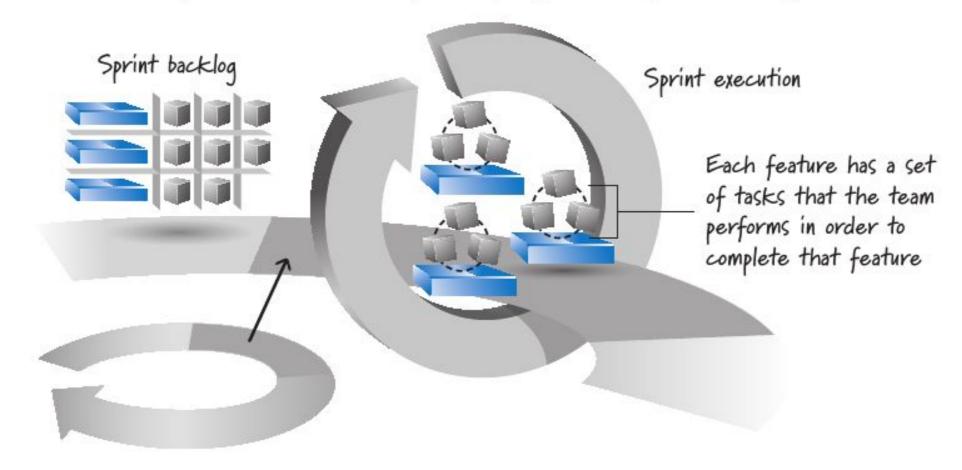
# Sprint Backlog



- Development teams break down each targeted feature into a set of tasks (**sprint backlog**).
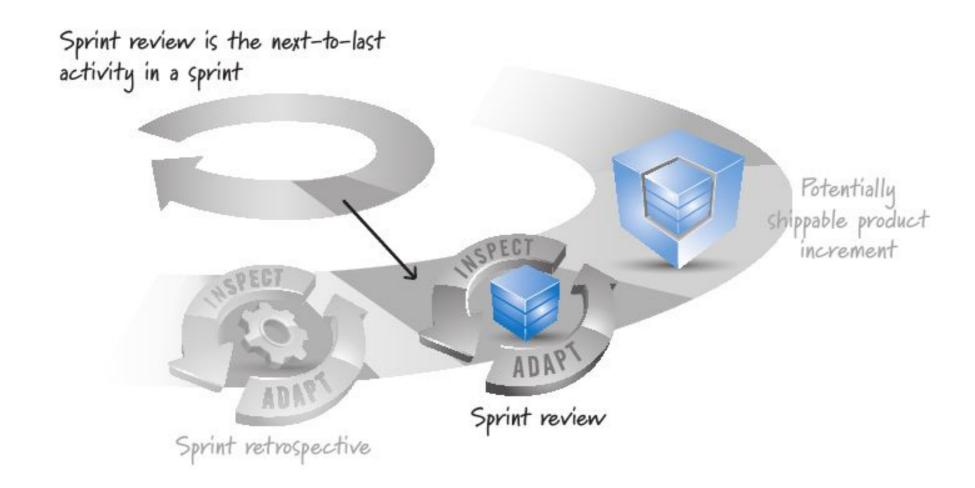
# Sprint Execution



Sprint execution takes up the majority of time spent in each sprint

Sprint backlog

Sprint execution

Each feature has a set of tasks that the team performs in order to complete that feature

- The development team, guided by the ScrumMaster's coaching, performs all of the task-level work necessary to get the features **done**.
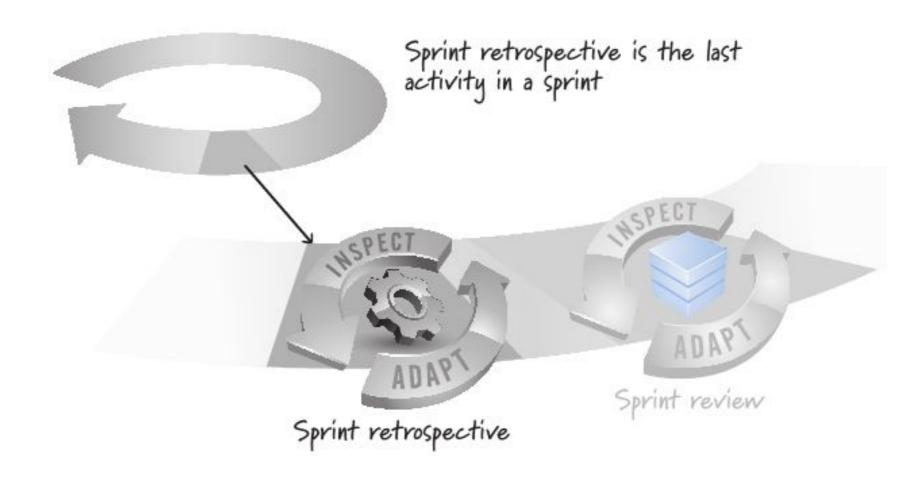
# Sprint Review



Sprint review is the next-to-last activity in a sprint

INSPECT

ADAPT

Sprint retrospective

INSPECT

ADAPT

Sprint review

Potentially shippable product increment

- The **sprint review** represents a scheduled opportunity to inspect and adapt the product.
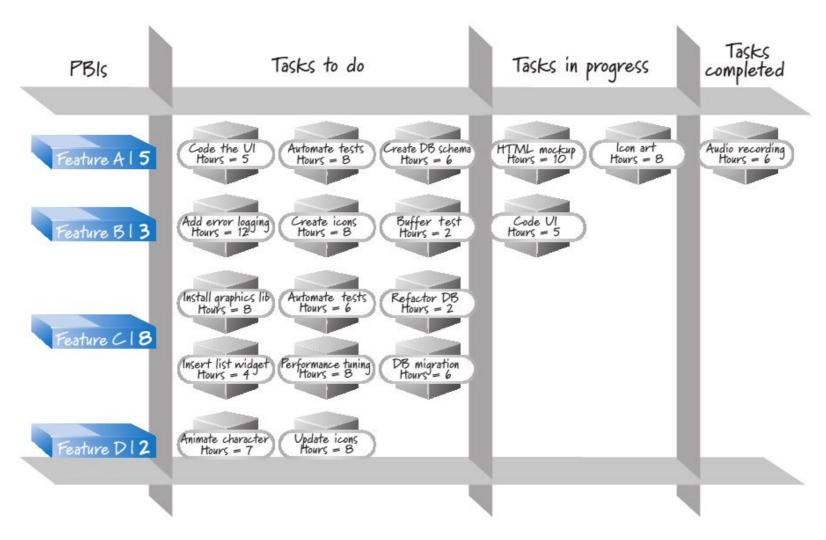
# Sprint Retrospective



Sprint retrospective is the last activity in a sprint

INSPECT

ADAPT

Sprint retrospective

INSPECT

ADAPT

Sprint review

- **Sprint retrospective** occurs after the sprint review and before the next sprint planning.
- The development team, ScrumMaster, and product owner come together to discuss what is and is not working with Scrum.

# Communicating Progress



- The **task board** shows the evolving state of the sprint backlog over time.

# Where is Scrum Useful?

# Cynefin Framework

- The **Cynefin framework** (Snowden and Boone 2007) is a sense-making framework that helps you understand the situation and decide on a situation-appropriate approach.

- It defines and compares the characteristics of five different domains: **simple**, **complicated**, **chaotic**, **complex**, and **disorder**.

- **Disorder** domain is when you don't know which other domain you are in.

# Cynefin Framework for Software Development

# Cynefin and Software Development Process



COMPLEX DOMAIN

Understand, Develop, Evaluate, Repeat

Agile process, e.g. **Scrum**

COMPLICATED DOMAIN

Understand, Develop

(Waterfall process) Iterative process

DISORDER DOMAIN
Get to one of the other domains!

CHAOTIC DOMAIN

Everyone gets on a conference call and works together until the problem is solved.

Seat of the pants

OBVIOUS DOMAIN

Follow pre-defined task list, script

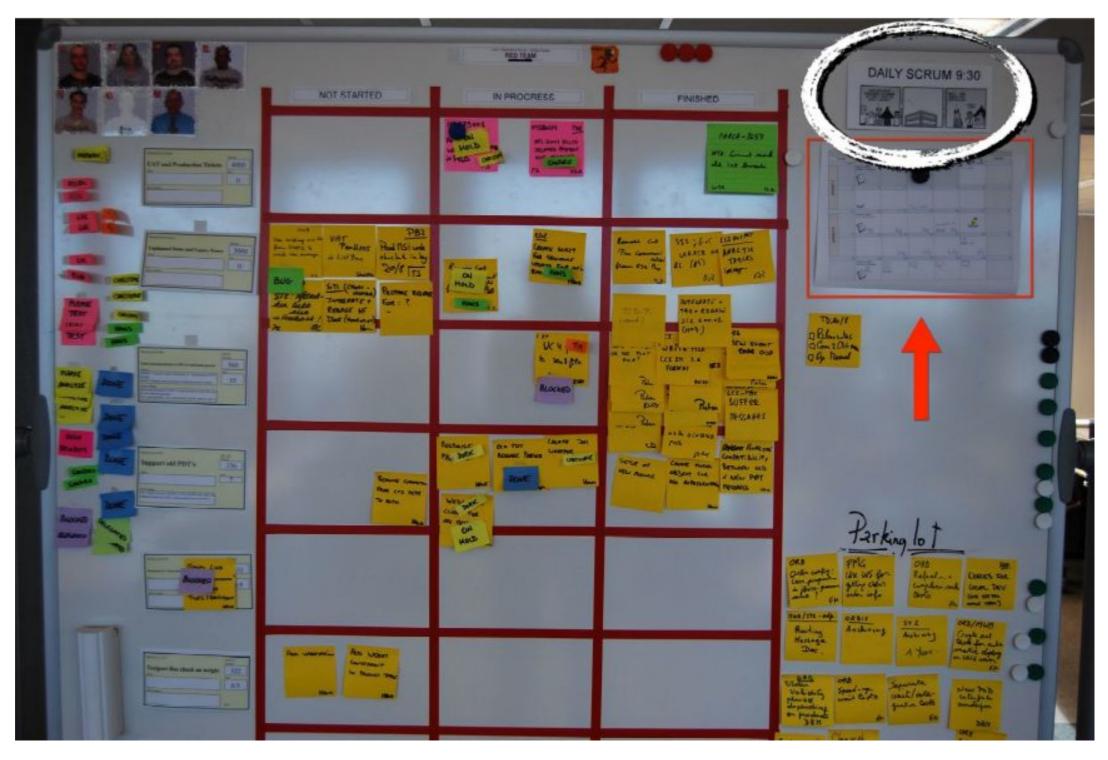Documented process

# Scrum Practice
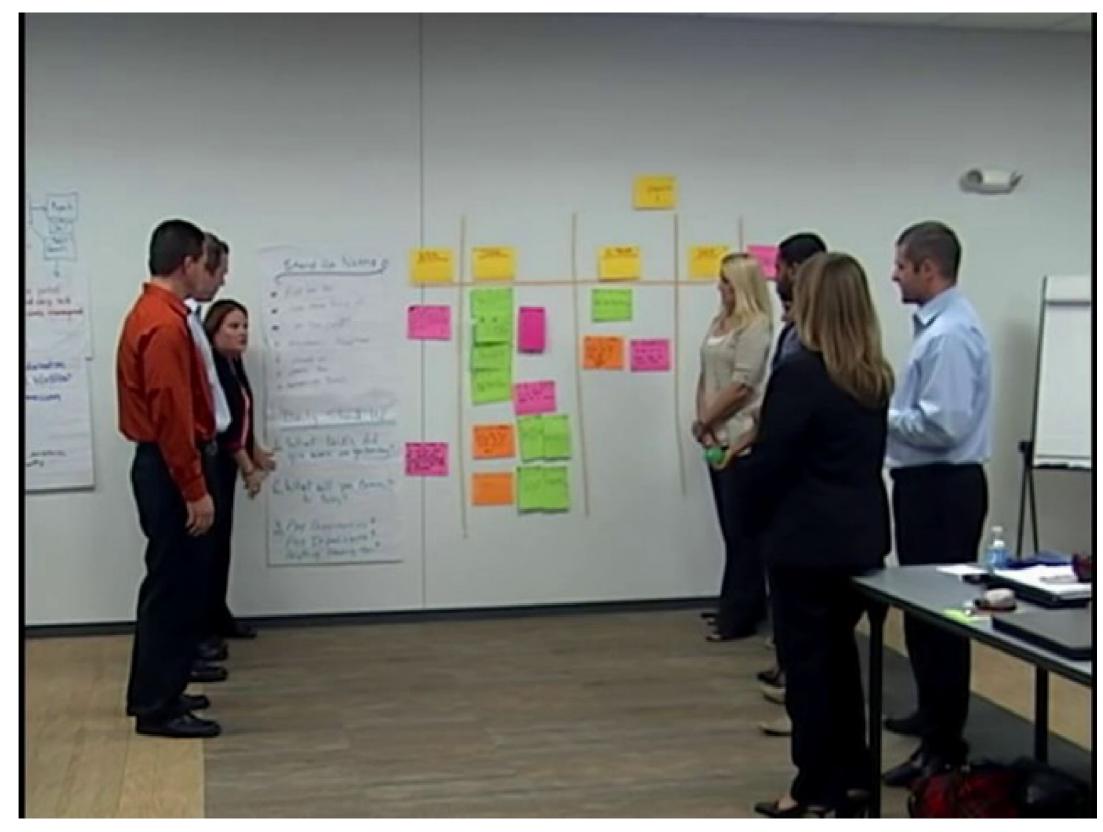
# Scrum Task Board

# Development Team

# Daily Scrum (Standup Meeting)

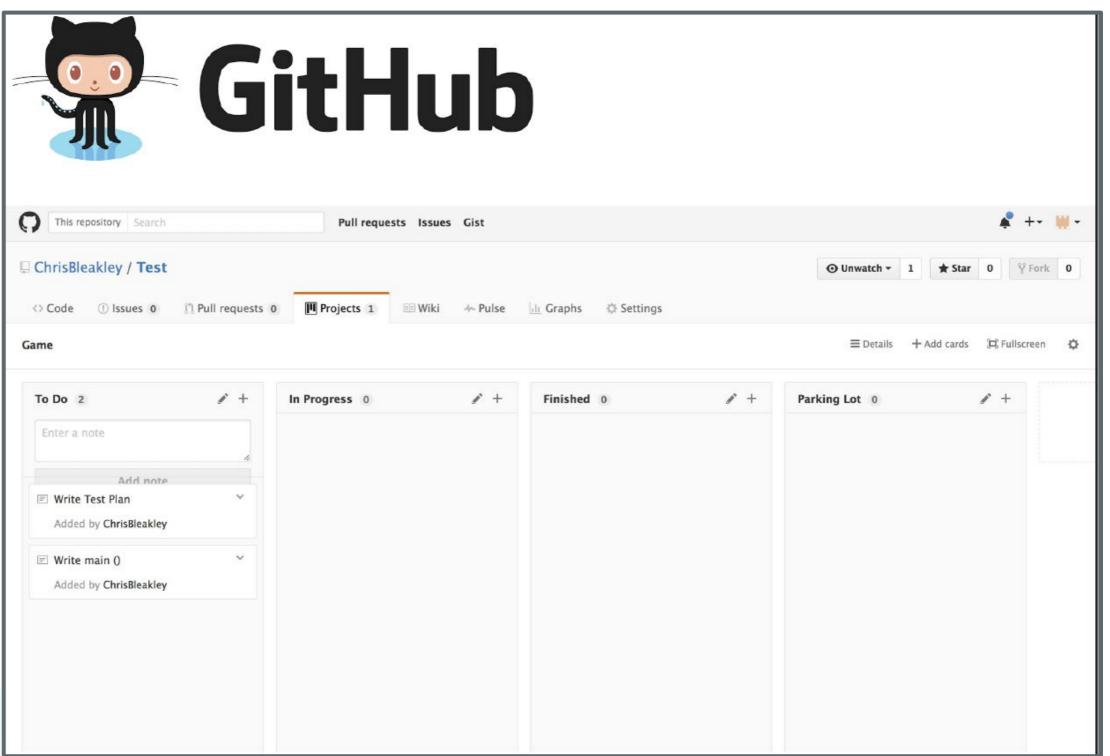# Daily Scrum (Standup Meeting)
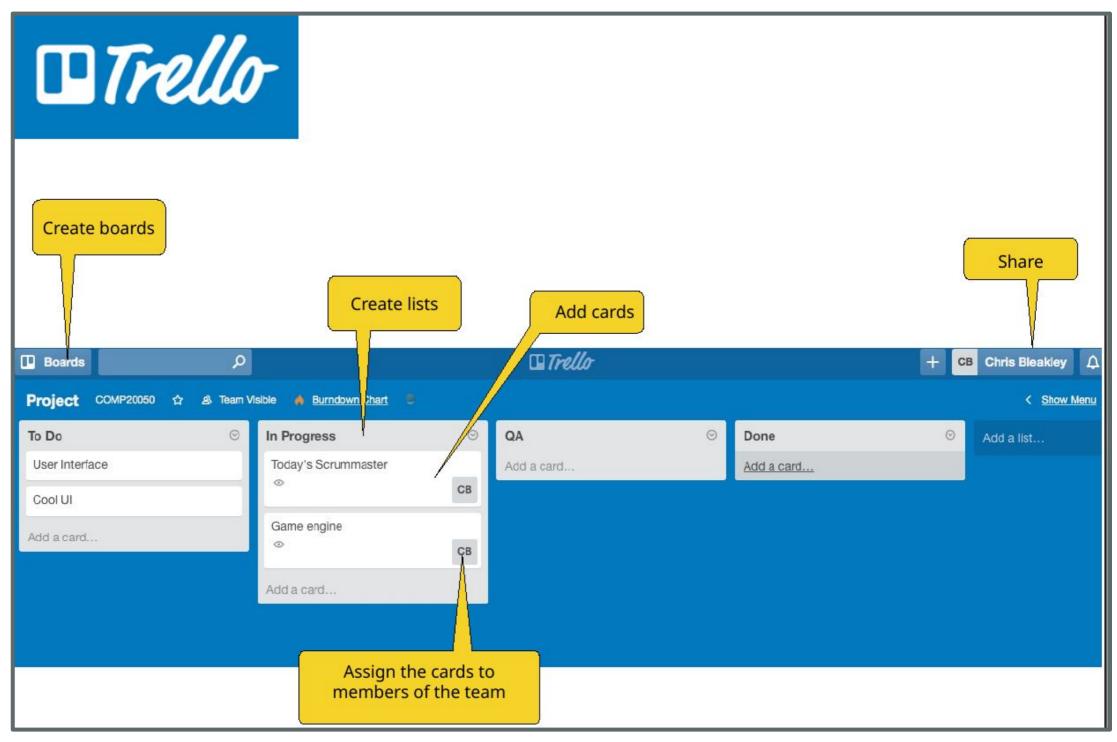
# Sprint Progress

# Project Tracking and Communication Tools
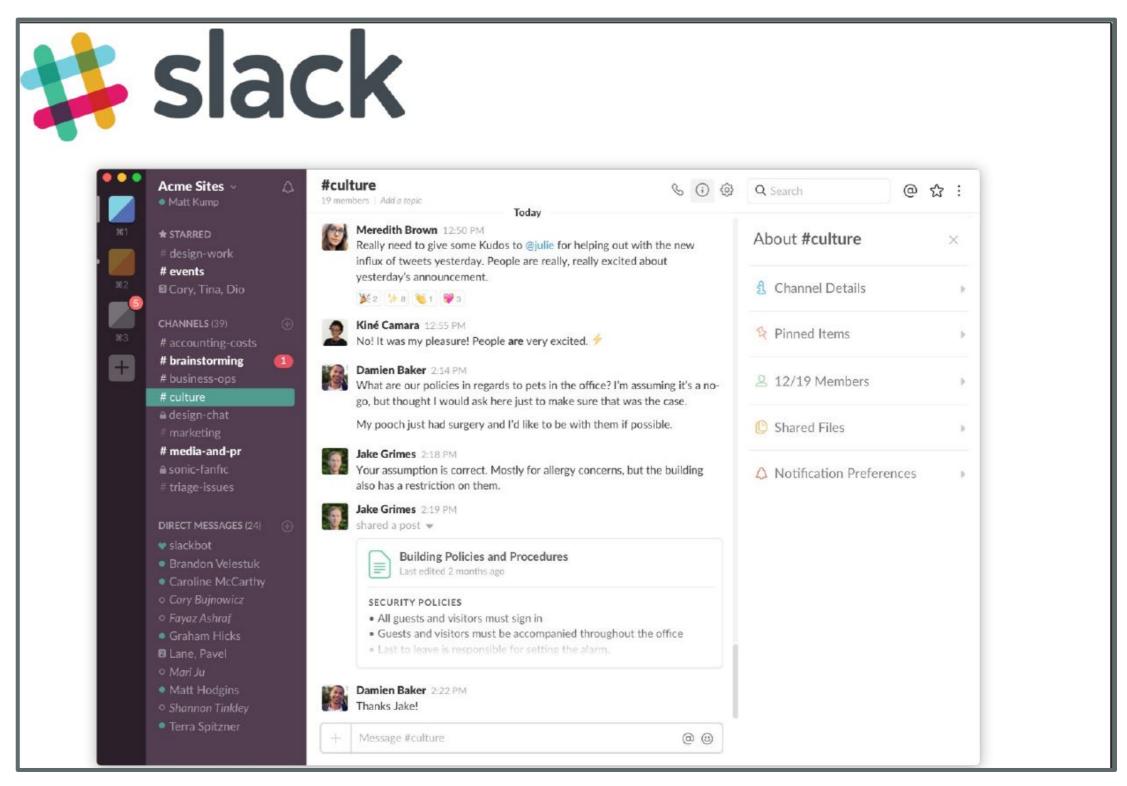
# GitHub (Feature Tracking)

# Trello Kanban Board (Feature Tracking)

# Slack for Team Communication

# Scrum and Lab Sessions

# Lab Sessions

- Before the start of **SprintN** (**N** = 1, 2, 3, 4),
  - Hold **sprint planning** meeting.
  - Break down each targeted feature into a set of tasks (**sprint backlog**).

- At the end of **SprintN** (**N** = 1, 2, 3, 4),
  - Hold **sprint review** meeting.
  - Hold **sprint retrospective**.

# Sprint Execution

- Work on your assigned items in the Sprint backlog.
- Hold code reviews.
- Write tests.
- Update your task board periodically (needed for Brightspace submission).
- Build the potentially shippable increment.
- Submit to Brightspace.

# Q&A

# To follow...

## Introduction to JavaFX