

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

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CHAPTER 1 - INTRODUCTION

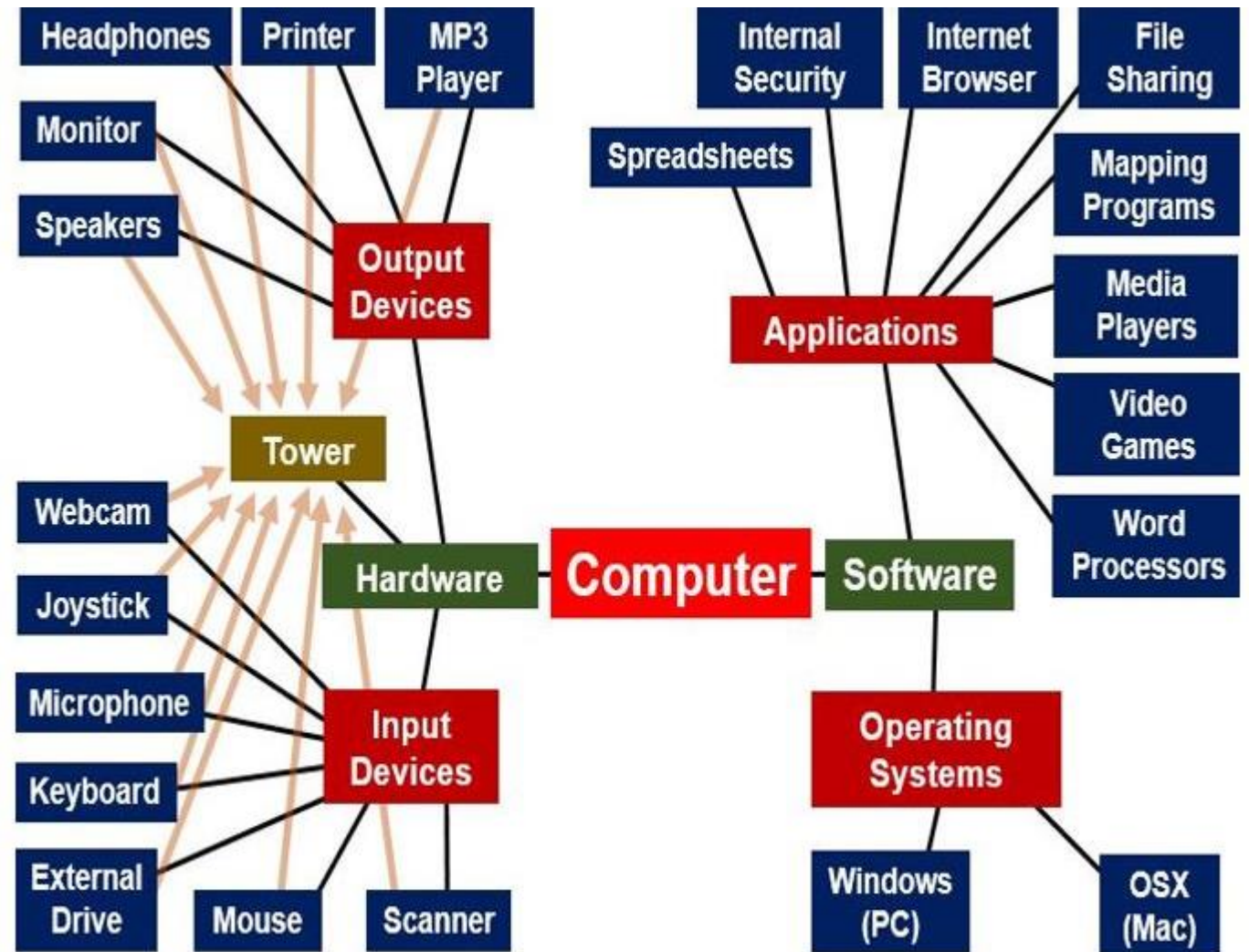
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TOPICS COVERED

- ✓ Professional software development
 - What is meant by software engineering.
- ✓ Ethical & sustainable software engineering
 - A brief introduction to ethical issues that affect software engineering.

WHAT IS SOFTWARE?

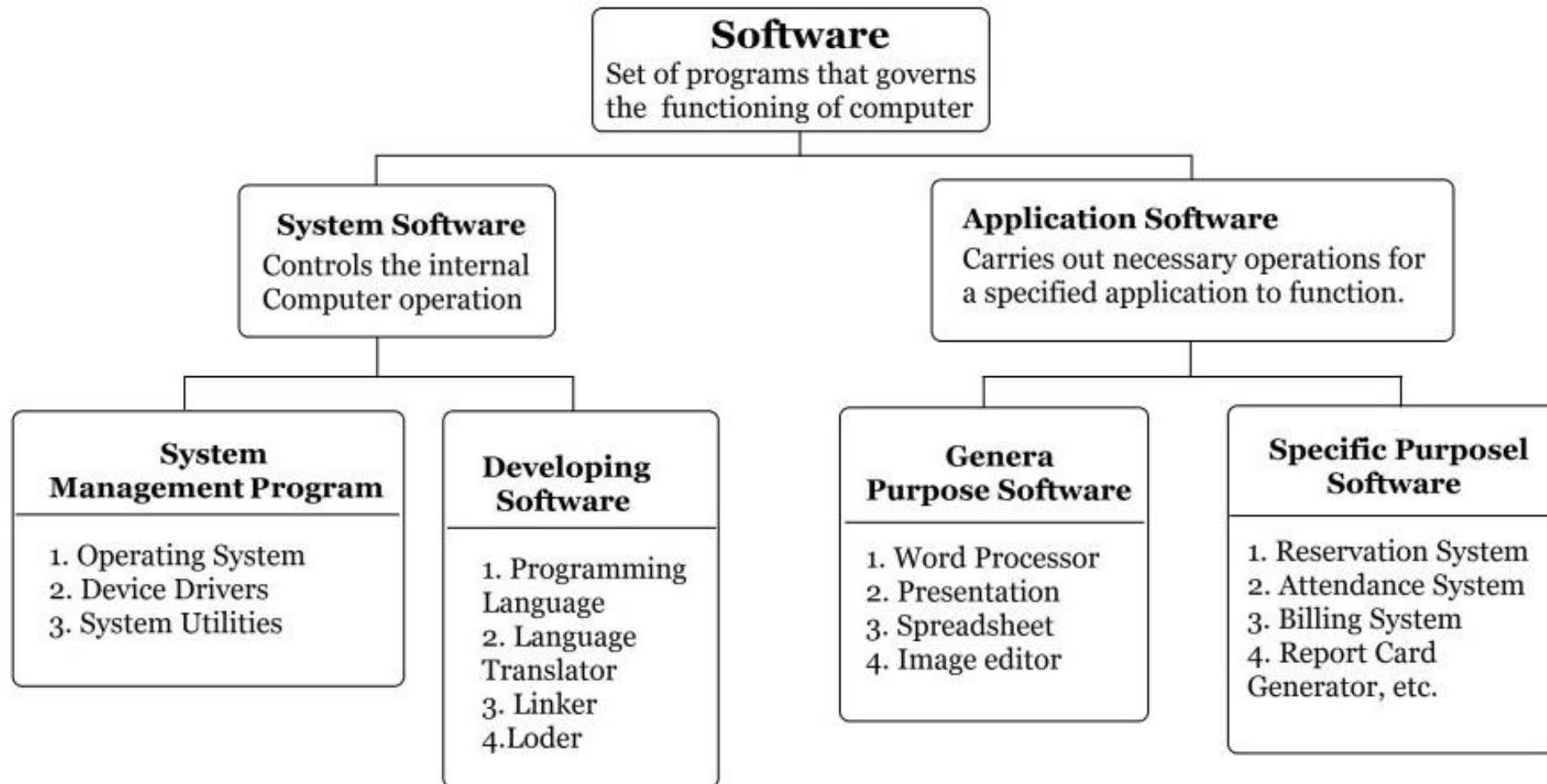
- ✓ Software = Computer program(s) + associated documentation
- ✓ Software products may be developed for
 - a particular customer (bespoke)
 - or a general market (market driven)



SOFTWARE IS COMPLEX

- ✓ Complex \neq complicated
- ✓ Complex = composed of many simple parts
related to one another
- ✓ Complicated = not well understood, or explained

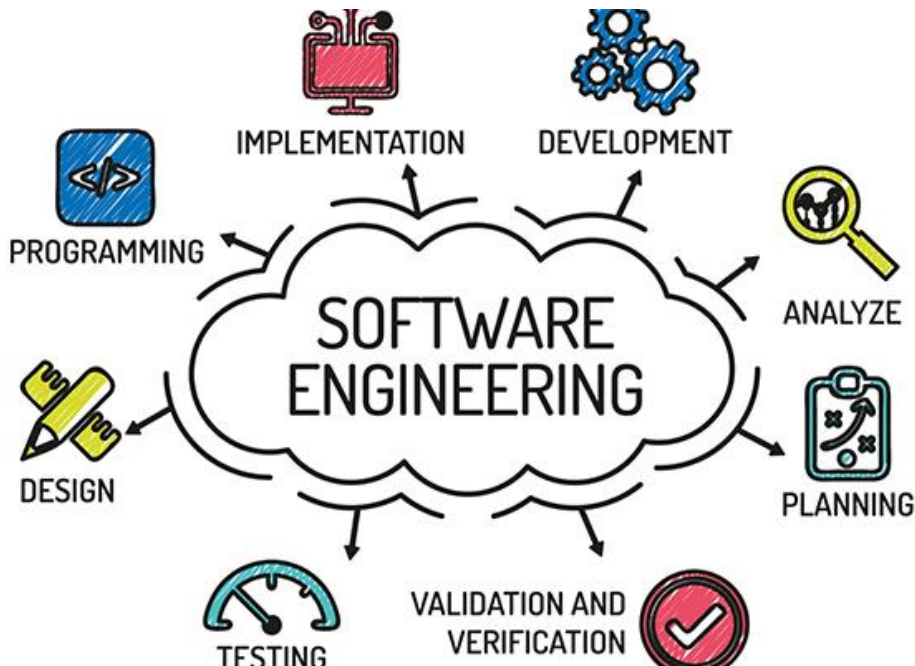
TYPE OF SOFTWARE



SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

using appropriate theories and methods to **solve** problems bearing in mind organizational and financial constraints.

Software engineering is an **engineering** discipline that is concerned with **all aspects** of software production



technical process of development, project management , the development of tools, methods etc.

WHO IS IN CHARGE FOR THE SPECIFICATION?

- ✓ Product specification at initial stage and the changes later
- ✓ Generic products
 - The software engineering team
- ✓ Customized products
 - The customer

Agile value. Working software over
Comprehensive document

GOOD SOFTWARE?

- ✓ “Good” is a general attribute:
 - of a high quality or level
 - to be desired or approved of
- ✓ Break-down “good” quality into required quality attributes:
 - performance
 - maintainable
 - dependable
 - usable

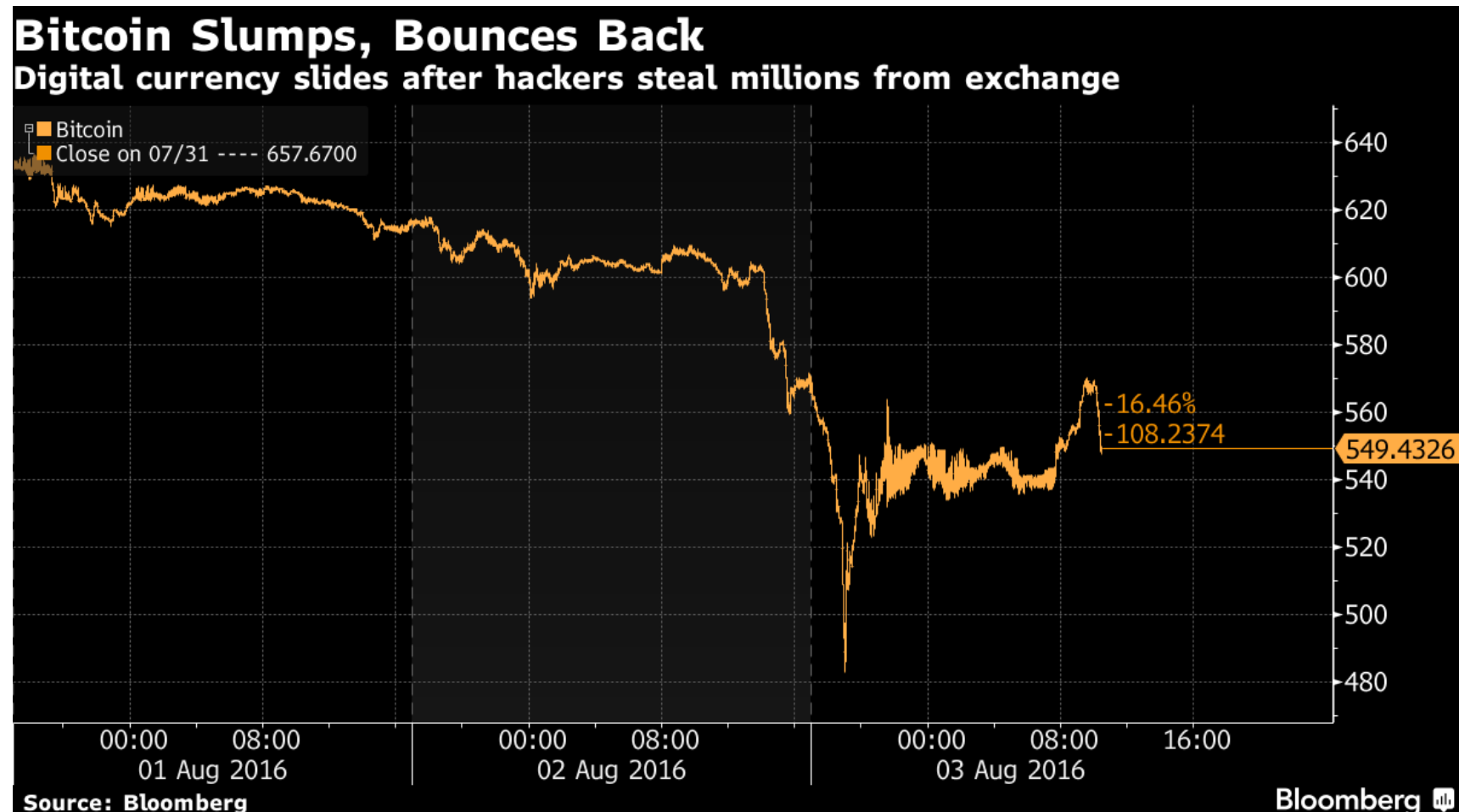
IMPORTANCE OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING (ADDITIONAL READING)

- ✓ Quality can mean the difference between excellence and disaster
 - Airbus A400M Atlas crash in 2015, 4 killed



IMPORTANCE OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING (ADDITIONAL READING)

- ✓ 8/2016: Security breach with Bitcoin cost 72 mil. Usd lost in market



SOFTWARE COSTS

- ✓ Software costs \sim computer system costs
- ✓ Costs to maintain $>$ to develop
- ✓ Software engineering is concerned with cost-effective software development.

SOME FAQs ABOUT SOFTWARE ENGINEERING (ADDITIONAL READING)

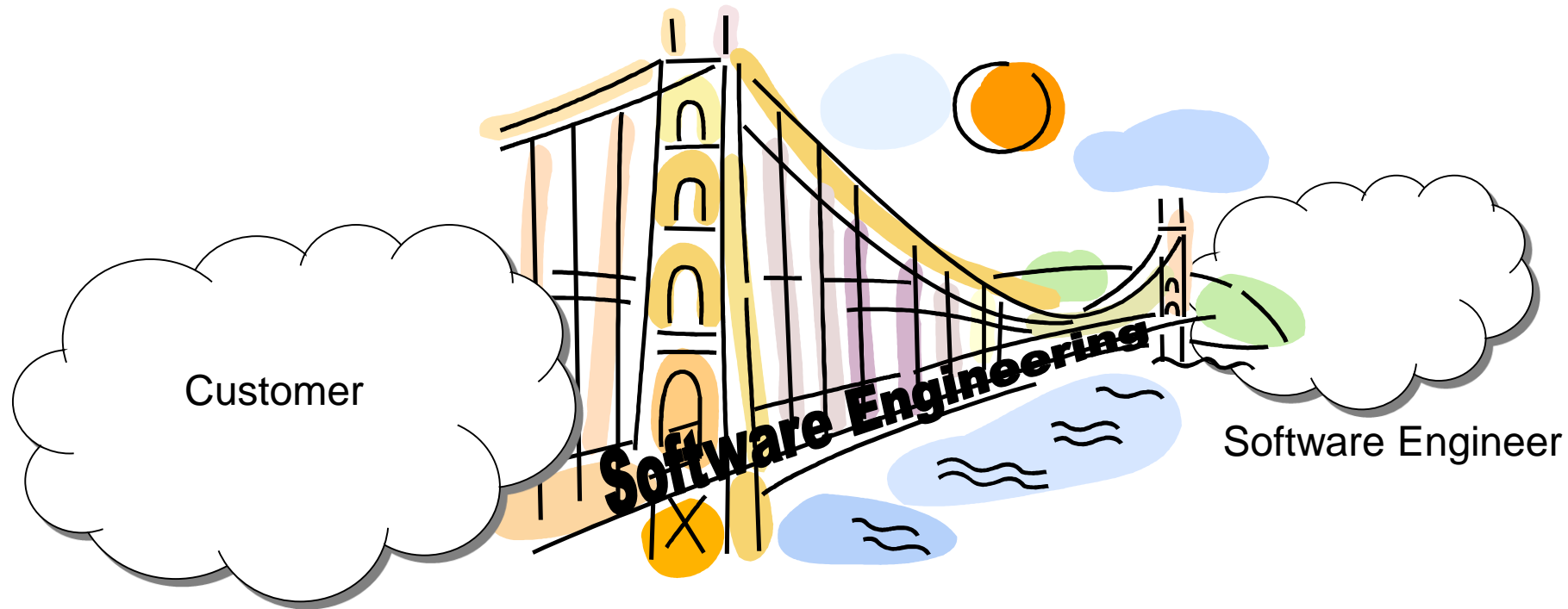
| Question | Answer |
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| What is the difference between software engineering and computer science? | Computer science focuses on theory and fundamentals; software engineering is concerned with the practicalities of developing and delivering useful software. |
| What is the difference between software engineering and system engineering? | System engineering is concerned with all aspects of computer-based systems development including hardware, software and process engineering. Software engineering is part of this more general process. |

IMPORTANCE OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

- ✓ We need:
 - Reliability & trustworthy products
 - Delivering on time
 - Reusable
 - Cost effective in changing/evolution
- More?

IMPORTANCE OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

A bridge from customer needs to programming implementation



First law of software engineering

Software engineer is willing to learn the problem domain
(problem cannot be solved without understanding it first)

FUNDAMENTAL SOFTWARE ENGINEERING ACTIVITIES



GENERAL ISSUES THAT AFFECT MOST SOFTWARE

- ✓ **Heterogeneity**
 - Increasingly, systems are required to operate as distributed systems across networks that include different types of computer and mobile devices.
- ✓ **Business and social change**
 - Business and society are changing incredibly quickly as emerging economies develop and new technologies become available. They need to be able to change their existing software and to rapidly develop new software.
- ✓ **Security and trust**
 - As software is intertwined with all aspects of our lives, it is essential that we can trust that software.

SOFTWARE DIVERSITY

- ✓ Many different types of software system
 - Stand-alone
 - Transaction-based
 - Embedded system
 - Batch processing
 - Entertainment
 - Modeling and simulation
 - System of systems
- ✓ Software development is context-specific
 - Large companies
 - SME
 - Startups
 - In-house
 - Outsourcing

➔ no universal set of software techniques applicable to all!

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING FUNDAMENTALS

- ✓ Some fundamental principles apply to all types of software system:
 - Use a managed and understood development process
 - Consider dependability and performance
 - Understand and manage the software specification and requirements
 - Try reuse software

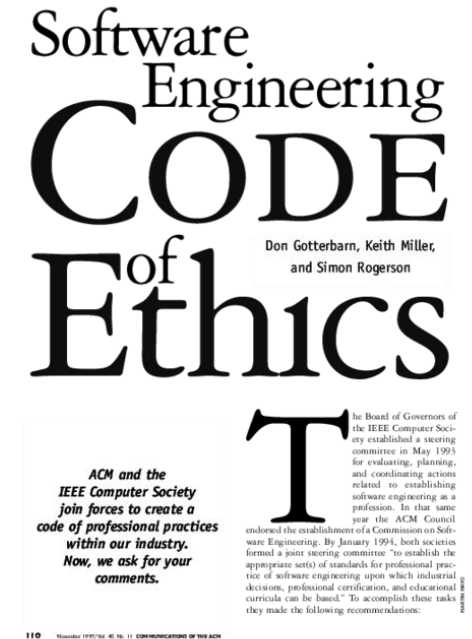
SOFTWARE ENGINEERING ETHICS

✓ Ethics?

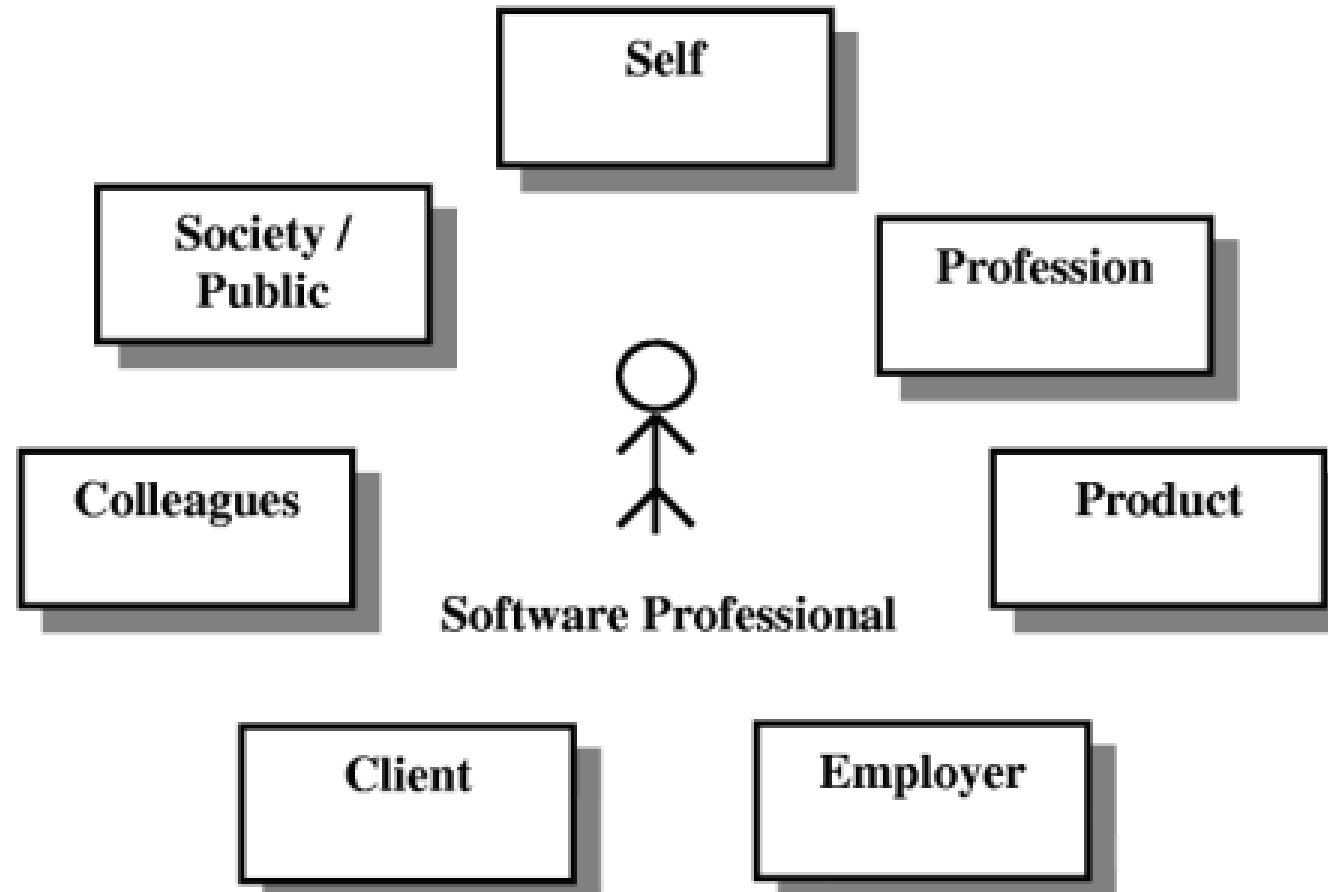
- (Oxford dictionary) Moral principles that govern a person's behaviour or the conducting of an activity.

✓ Fundamental Software engineering ethics

- Software engineering involves **wider responsibilities** than simply the application of technical skills.
- Software engineers must behave in an honest and ethically responsible way if they are to be respected as professionals.
- Ethical behaviour is more than simply upholding the law but involves following a set of principles that are morally correct.



SOFTWARE ENGINEERING ETHICS



ACM CODE OF ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

- ✓ 1.1 Contribute to society and human well-being.
- ✓ 1.2 Avoid harm to others.
- ✓ 1.3 Be honest and trustworthy.
- ✓ 1.4 Be fair and take action not to discriminate.
- ✓ 1.5 Honor property rights including copyrights and patent.
- ✓ 1.6 Give proper credit for intellectual property.
- ✓ 1.7 Respect the privacy of others.
- ✓ 1.8 Honor confidentiality.

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING AND SUSTAINABILITY



SOFTWARE ENGINEERING AND SUSTAINABILITY — EXAMPLE (ADDITIONAL READING)

- ✓ **Green Software Engineering** is an emerging discipline at the intersection of climate science, software practices and architecture, electricity markets, hardware and data centre design.
- ✓ **Green Software Engineering** concerns the design, development and operation of software-intensive products in a way that reduces pollution, promotes sustainability, and minimizes risk to human health and the environment without sacrificing economic viability and efficiency



SOFTWARE ENGINEERING AND SUSTAINABILITY — EXAMPLE (ADDITIONAL READING)



- ✓ Carbon: Build applications that are carbon efficient.
- ✓ Electricity: Build applications that are energy efficient.
- ✓ Carbon Intensity: Consume electricity with the lowest carbon intensity.
- ✓ Embodied Carbon: Build applications that are hardware efficient.
- ✓ Energy Proportionality: Maximize the energy efficiency of hardware.
- ✓ Networking: Reduce the amount of data and distance it must travel across the network.
- ✓ Demand Shaping: Build carbon-aware applications.
- ✓ Measurement & Optimization: Focus on step-by-step optimizations that increase the overall carbon efficiency.

SUMMARY

- ✓ Software engineering is an engineering discipline that is concerned with all aspects of software production.
- ✓ Essential software product attributes are maintainability, dependability and security, efficiency and acceptability.
- ✓ The high-level activities of specification, development, validation and evolution are part of all software processes.
- ✓ The fundamental notions of software engineering are universally applicable to all types of system development.

SUMMARY (CONT.)

- ✓ There are many different types of system and each requires appropriate software engineering tools and techniques for their development.
- ✓ The fundamental ideas of software engineering are applicable to all types of software system.
- ✓ Software engineers have responsibilities to the engineering profession and society. They should not simply be concerned with technical issues.
- ✓ Sustainability is an emerging concern in all engineering discipline, including software development and operation.