## Softwaretechnik / Software-Engineering

# Lecture 1: Introduction

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### Successful Software Development

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## Software, Engineering, Software Engineering



**Software** – Computer programs, procedures, and possibly associated documentation and data pertaining to the operation of a computer system.

See also: application software; support software; system software.

Contrast with: hardware.

IEEE 610.12 (1990)

#### Software -

- 1. all or part of the programs, procedures, rules, and associated documentation of an information processing system. [...]
- 2. see 610.12
- 3. program or set of programs used to run a computer. [...]

NOTE: includes firmware, documentation, data, and execution control statements.

IEEE 24765 (2010)

## Engineering vs. Non-Engineering

	workshop (technical product)	studio (artwork)
Mental prerequisite	the existing and available technical know-how	artist's inspiration, among others
Deadlines	can usually be planned with sufficient precision	cannot be planned due to dependency on artist's inspiration
Price	orient <del>ed on co</del> st, thus calculable	determined by market value, not by cost
Norms and standards	exist, are known, and are usually respected	are rare and, if known, not respected
Evaluation and comparison	can be conducted using objective, quantified criteria	is only possible subjectively, results are disputed
Author	remains anonymous, often lacks emotional ties to the product	considers the artwork as part of him/herself
Warranty and liability	are clearly regulated, cannot be excluded	are not defined and in practice hardly enforceable

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ISO/IEC/IEEE 24765 (2010)

**Software Engineering**-Multi-person Development of Multi-version Programs.

D. L. Parnas (2011)

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Institutions that teach software are responsible for producing professionals who will build and maintain systems to the satisfaction of their beneficiaries. This article presents some ideas on how best to honor this here is no universally accepted definition of software engineering. For some, software engineering is just a glorified name for programming. If you are a programmer, you might put "software engineer" on your business card but never "programmer." Others have higher expectations. A textbook definition of the term might read something like this: "the body of methods, tools, and techniques intended to produce quality software."

Rather than just emphasizing quality, we could distinguish software engineering from programming by its industrial nature, leading to another definition: "the development of possibly large systems intended for use in production environments, over a possibly long period, worked on by possibly many people, and possibly undergoing many changes," where "development" includes management, maintenance, validation, documentation, and so forth.

David Parnas, <sup>1</sup> a pioneer in the field, emphasizes the "engineering" part and advocates a software engineering education firmly rooted in traditional engineering—including courses on materials and the like—and split from computer science the way electrical engineering is separate from physics.

Because this article presents a broad perspective on software education, I won't settle on any of these definitions; rather, I'd like to accept that they are all is some way valid and retain all the views of software they encompass. In faat am not just focusing on the "software engineering courses" traditionally offer et in many universities but more generally on how to instill software engineering

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in April 2000<sup>2</sup> that 850,000 IT jobs would go unfilled in the next 12 months. The dearth of qualified personnel is just as perceptible in Europe and Australia. Salaries are excellent. Project leaders wake up at night worrying about headhunters hiring away some of their best developers—or pondering the latest offers they received themselves.

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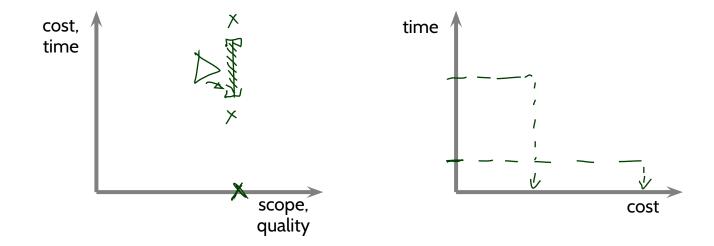
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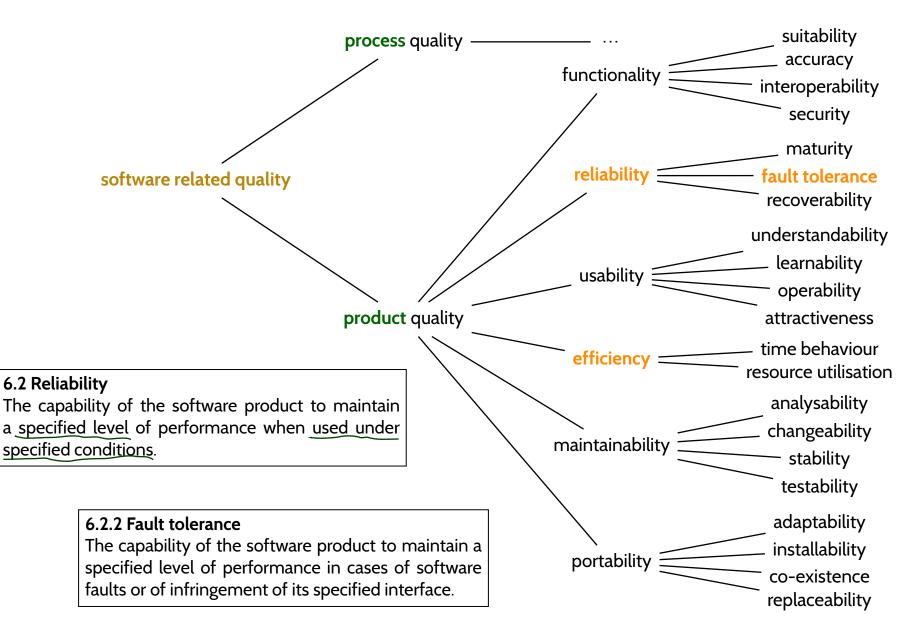
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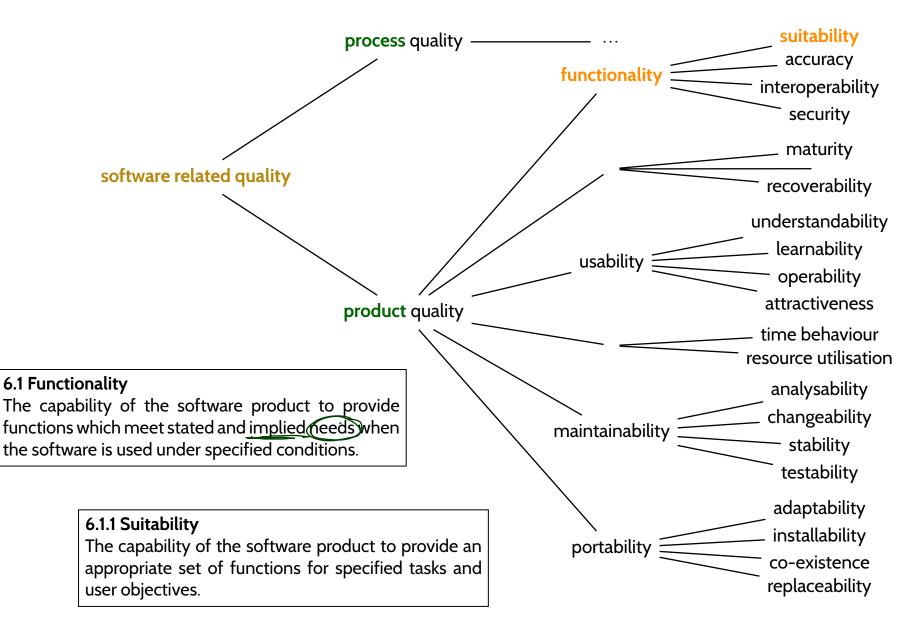
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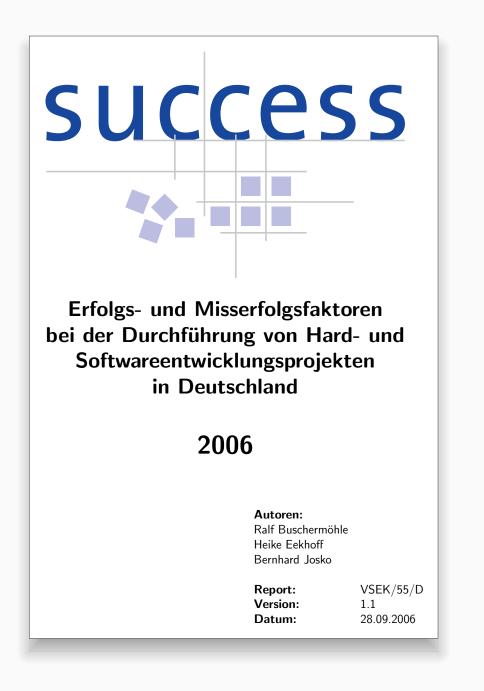
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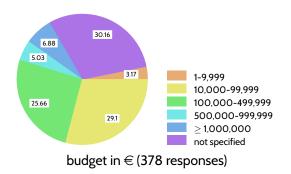
### A software development project is **successful if and only if**

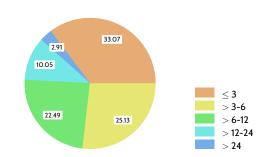
developer, customer, and user are happy with the result at the end of the project.

## Is Software Development Always Successful?

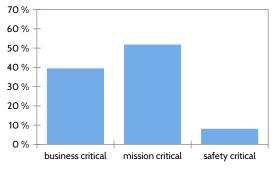


### Some Empirical Findings (Buschermöhle et al. (2006))

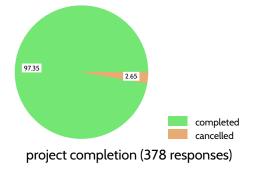


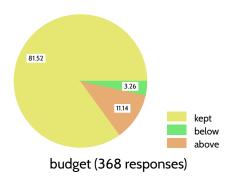


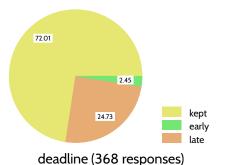
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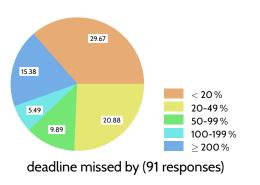


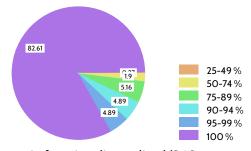
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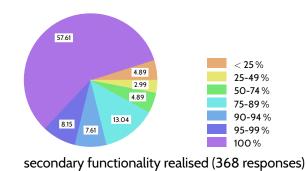








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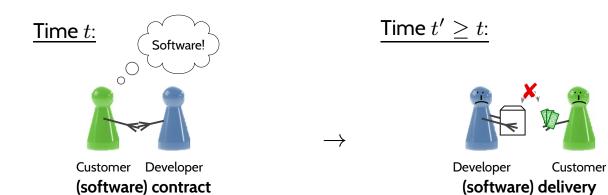
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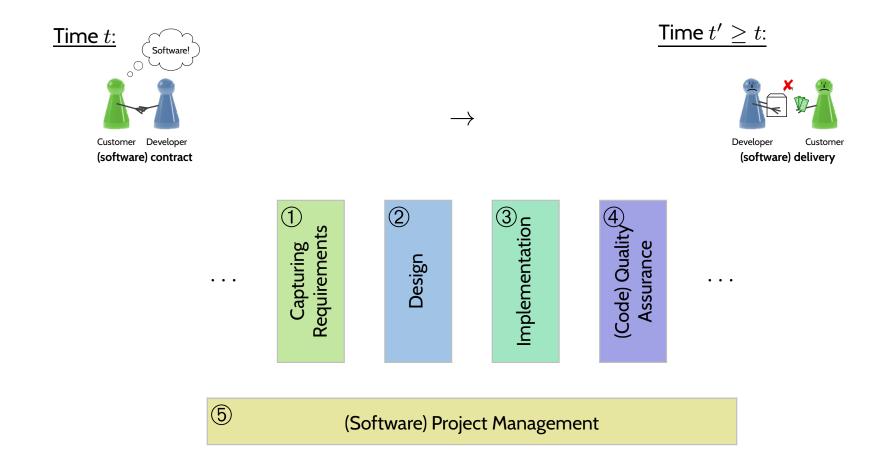
Time  $t' \geq t$ :



• Unsuccessful:



### What might've gone wrong?



### Some scenarios:

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- e.g. misunderstanding of requirements
- e.g. non-scalable design, feature forgotten
- e.g. programming mistake
- e.g. wrongly conducted test
- e.g. wrong estimates, bad scheduling

## In Other Words

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- How to describe requirements / avoid misunderstandings with the customer?
- How to describe design ideas / avoid misunderstandings with the implementers?
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- How to schedule activities properly?

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What are procedures to systematically avoid certain mistakes or costs in software development?

## Example: Nightly Builds

### Scenario:

- Program *P* compiles successfully at time *t*.
- Programmers work for duration d on P, yielding program P' at time t + d.
- P' does not compile at time t + d.
- $\rightarrow$  the reason for not compiling any more must be among the changes during d.

### Experience:

• If d is large, it can be very difficult (and time consuming) to identify the cause.

### Proposal: "Nightly Builds"

- Set up a procedure, which (at best: automatically) tries to compile the current state of the development each day over night.
- **Promise**: with "nightly builds", *d* is **effectively limited** to be smaller or equal to one day, so the **number of possible causes** for not compiling should be **manageable**.

 $\rightarrow$  Software Engineering as a <u>defensive discipline</u> (measures against failures and "catastrophes"):

- if program *P* always compiles, the effort for "nightly builds" was strictly speaking wasted.
- if a compilation issue occurs during the project, the caused damage is bounded.

Same holds for documentation: if no maintenance is ever needed, documentation effort may be wasted.

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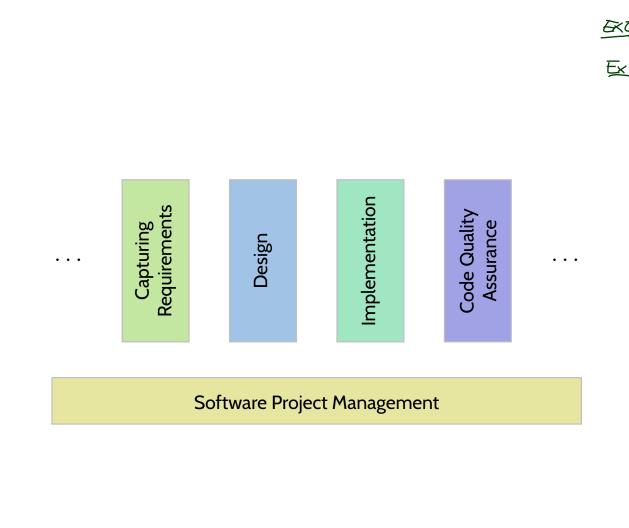
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Software Engineering is a young discipline: **plenty of proposals** for each question. So the course will **focus on the problems** and discuss **example proposals**.

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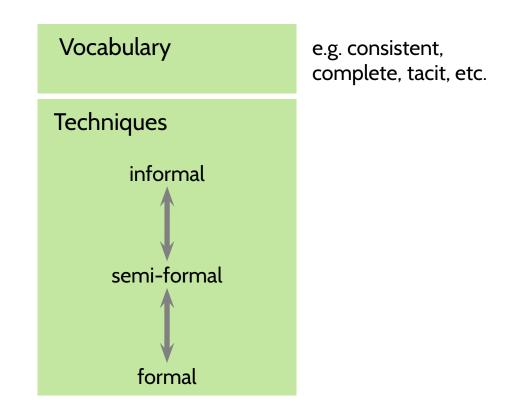
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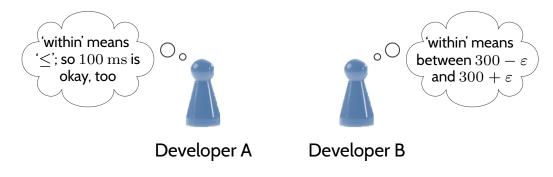
## Excursion: Informal vs. Formal Techniques

Example: Requirements Engineering, Airbag Controller



### Requirement:

Whenever a crash is detected, the airbag has to be fired within  $300 \text{ ms} (\pm \epsilon)$ .



#### VS.

- Fix observables: crashdetected : Time  $\rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  and fireairbag : Time  $\rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
- Formalise requirement:

 $\forall t, t' \in \mathsf{Time} \bullet \mathsf{crashdetected}(t) \land \mathsf{airbagfired}(t') \implies t' \in [t+300-\varepsilon, t+300+\varepsilon]$ 

→ no more misunderstandings, sometimes **tools** can **objectively** decide: requirement satisfied yes/no.

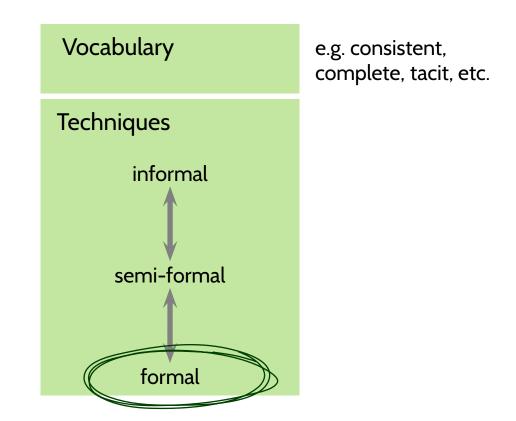
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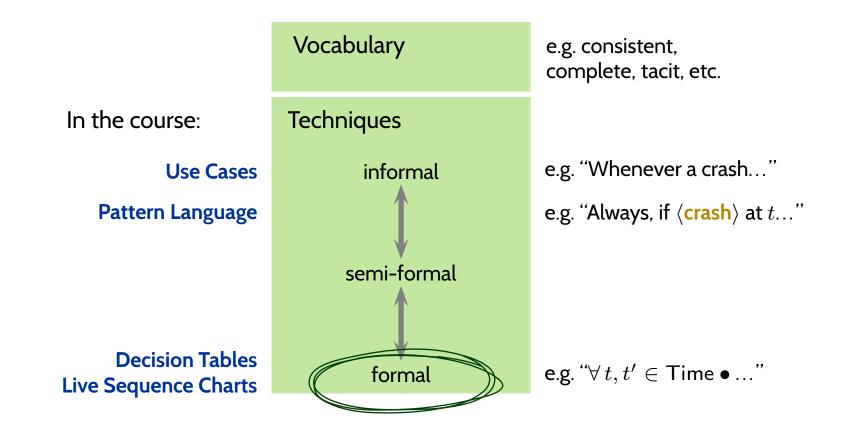
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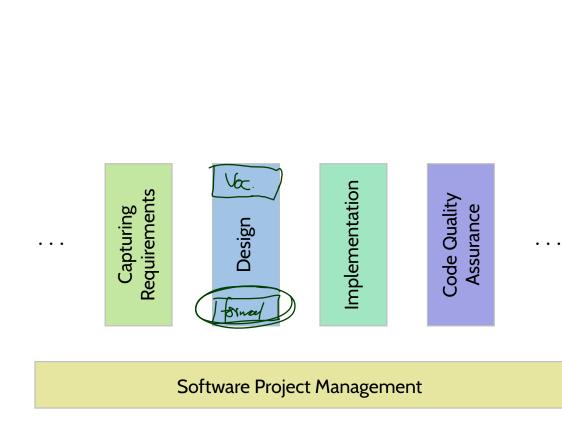


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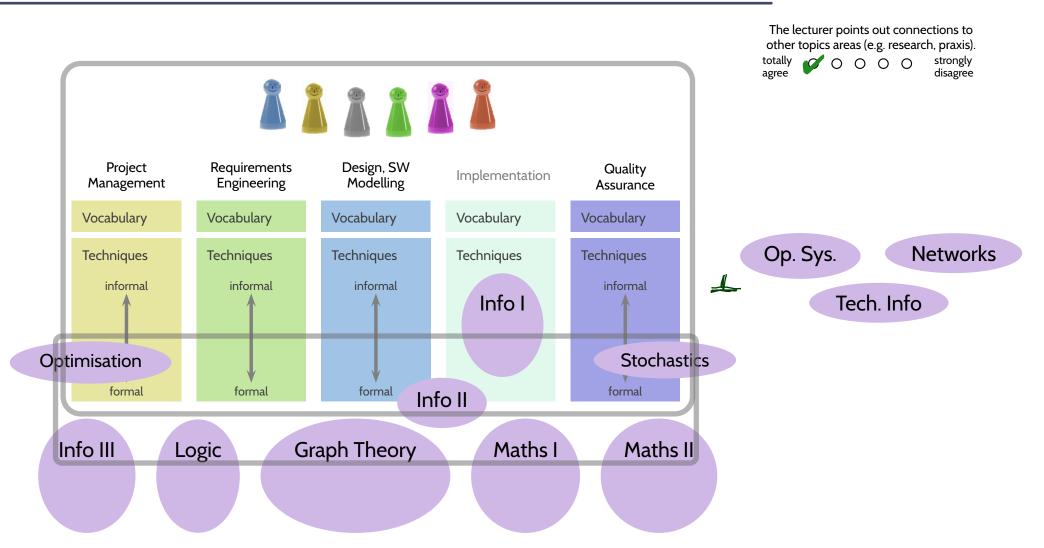
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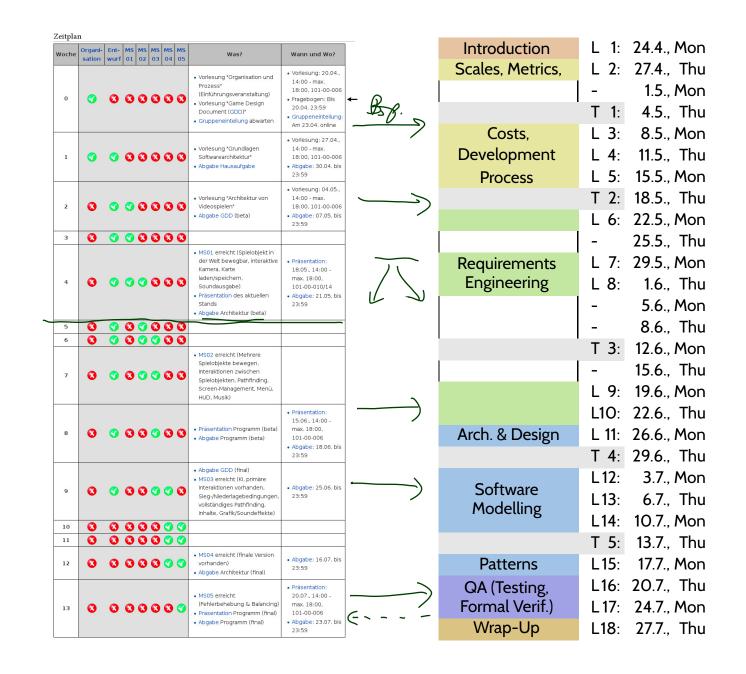
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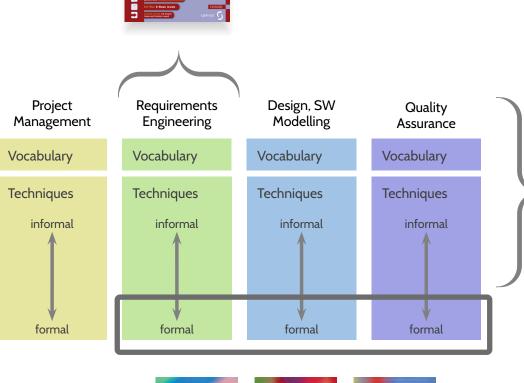


## Course Software-Engineering vs. Softwarepraktikum

Agreement between 'Fachschaft' and the chair for software engineering: strong(er) coupling between both courses.



### Literature



REQUIREMENTS-ENGINEERING und -MANAGEMENT







Heimut Balant Lehrbuch der Softwaretechnik Entwurf, Implementierung, Installation und Betrieb



#### ... more on the course homepage.

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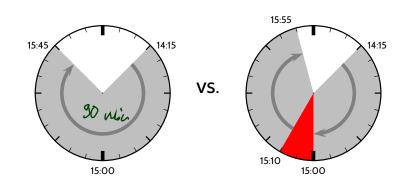
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## Organisation: Lectures

- Homepage: http://swt.informatik.uni-freiburg.de/teaching/SS2017/swtvl
- Course language: German (since we are in an odd year)
- Script/Media:
  - slides without annotations on homepage with beginning of lecture the latest
  - slides with annotations on homepage typically soon after the lecture
  - recording on ILIAS (stream and download) with max. 2 days delay (cf. link on homepage)
- Schedule: topic areas à three 90 min. lectures, one 90 min. tutorial (with exceptions)
- Interaction: absence often moaned; but it takes two, so please ask/comment immediately.
- Questions/comments:
  - "online": ask immediately or in the break
  - "offline": (i) try to solve yourself
    - (ii) discuss with colleagues
    - (iii) a) Exercises: ILIAS (group) forum, contact tutor
      - b) **Everything else**: contact lecturer (cf. homepage) or just drop by: Building 52, Room 00-020
- **Break:** we'll have a **5-10 min. break** in the middle of each lecture (from now on), unless a majority objects **now**.



## Organisation: Exercises & Tutorials

- Schedule/Submission:
  - exercises online (homepage and ILIAS) with first lecture of a block,
  - <u>early submission</u> 24h before tutorial (usually Wednesday, 12:00, local time),

20%

- regular submission right before tutorial (usually Thursday, 12:00, local time).
- please submit electronically via ILIAS; paper submissions are tolerated
- should work in teams of approx. 3, clearly give names on submission
- Grading system: "most complicated grading system ever"
  - Admission points (good-will rating, upper bound)
     ("reasonable grading given student's knowledge before tutorial")
  - Exam-like points (evil rating, lower bound) ("reasonable grading given student's knowledge after tutorial")

20% bonus for early submission.

- Tutorial: Three groups (central assignment), hosted by tutor.
  - Starting from discussion of the early submissions (anonymous), develop **one** good proposal together,
  - tutorial notes provided via ILIAS.

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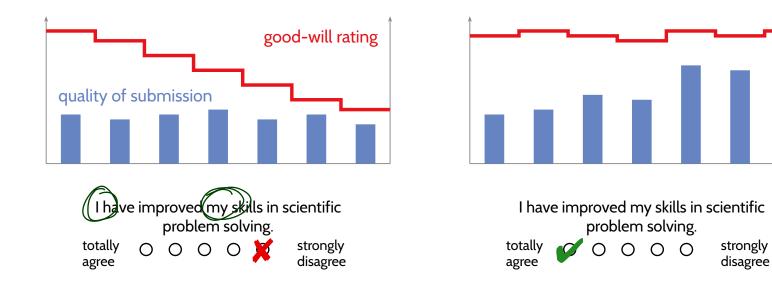
#### • Exam Admission:

Achieving 50% of the **regular admission points** in total is sufficient for admission to exam.

10 regular admission points on sheets 0 and 1, and 20 regular admission points on exercise sheets 2–6 120 regular admission points for 100%. 120% - 60

- Exam Form:
  - written exam
  - date, time, place: tba
  - permitted exam aids: one A4 paper (max. 21 x 29.7 x 1 mm) of notes, max. two sides inscribed
  - scores from the exercises <u>do not</u> contribute to the final grade.
  - example exam available on ILIAS

### One Last Word on The Exercises...



- Every exercise task is a tiny little scientific work!
- Basic rule for high quality submissions:
  - rephrase the task in your own words,
  - **state** your solution,
  - convince your tutor of (at best: prove) the correctness of your solution.

## Tell Them What You've Told Them...

#### • Basic vocabulary:

- software, engineering, software engineering,
- customer, developer, user,
- successful software development
- $\rightarrow$  **note:** some definitions are neither formal nor universally agreed
- (Fun) fact: software development is not always successful
- Basic activities of (software) engineering:
  - gather requirements,
  - design,
  - implementation,
  - quality assurance,
  - project management
  - ightarrow motivates content of the course for the case of software
- Formal (vs. informal) methods
  - avoid misunderstandings,
  - enable objective, tool-based assessment
- ightarrow note: still, humans are at the heart of software engineering.
- Course content and organisation

Any (More) Questions?

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