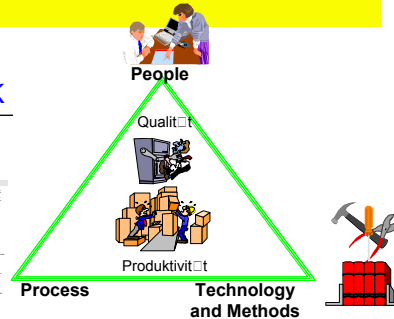


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What is ISO/IEC TR 15504?

- International standard for assessing software processes
- Purpose:
 - => Continuous process improvement
 - => Capability determination
- Scope:
 - Processes include acquisition, supply, development, operation, maintenance and support

ISO/IEC TR 15504 is an emerging standard
currently in transition to full International Standard status!

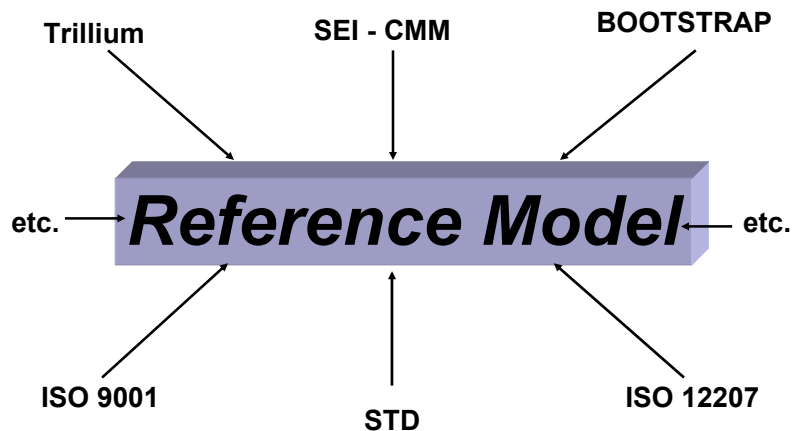
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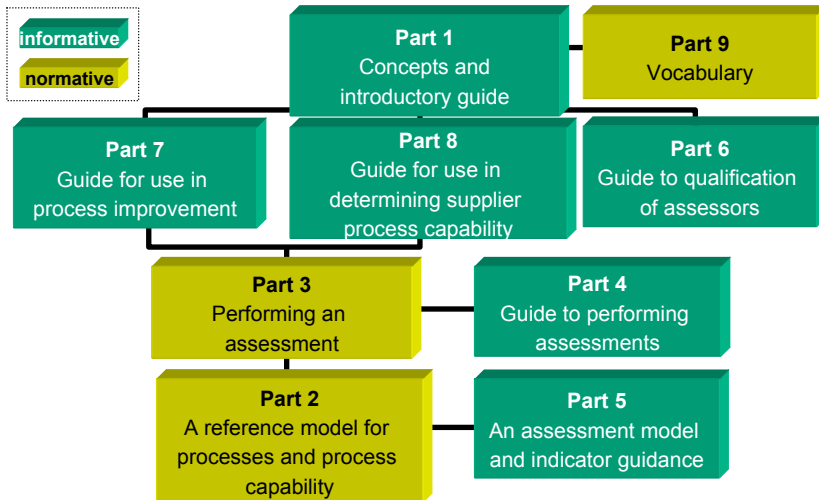
What is SPICE?

- ❖ SPICE - **S**oftware **P**rocess **I**mprovement and **C**apability **d**etermination
- ❖ Development of an International Standard on Software Process Assessment (ISO 15504)
- ❖ The SPICE project (92-98 TR, 99-04) created to:
 - solicit opinions and input of world experts
 - carry out trials - provide early feedback
 - create awareness of the new standard by conferences

Sources of Information



ISO TR 15504 documentation



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The SPICE Model

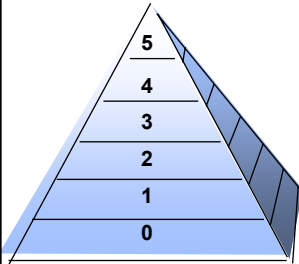
- Two dimensional approach:
 - **Process** - the processes associated with the development and support of software
 - **Capability** - how well they are implemented and managed

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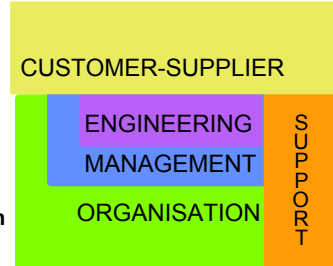
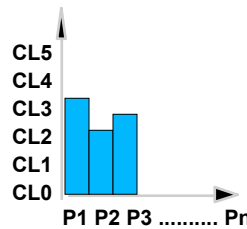
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ISO 15504 Reference Model

Each process receives a capability level rating
This is referred to as a Continuous Model



CAPABILITY DIMENSION
How well they are implemented and managed?



PROCESS DIMENSION
For development and support of software

SPICE (ISO/IEC 15504)

PROCESS DIMENSION

Process Categories (5)
Processes (40)

*Indicators of Process **Performance**:*

- Base Practices
- Work Products
- Work Product Characteristics

CAPABILITY DIMENSION

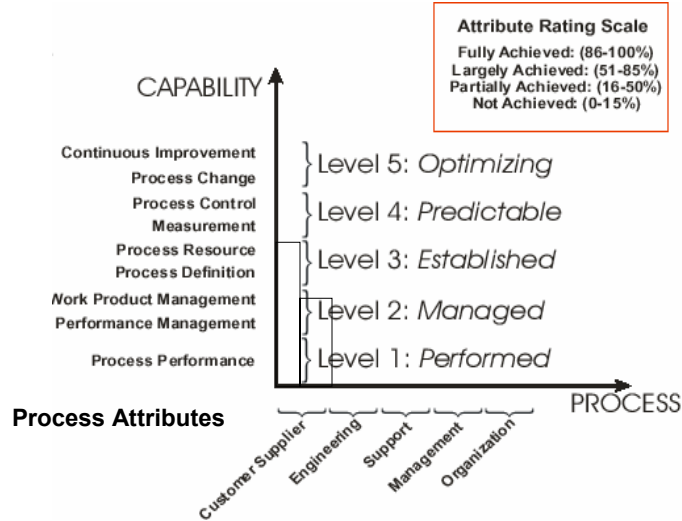
Capability Levels (6)
Process Attributes (9)

*Indicators of Process **Capability**:*

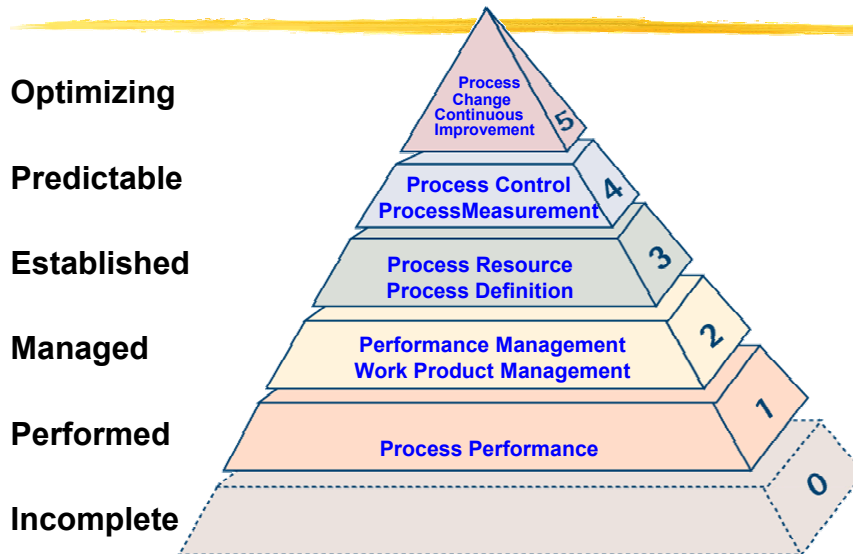
- Management Practices
- Practice Performance Characteristics
- Resource / Infrastructure Characteristics

Source: ISO/IEC TR 15504-5- Part 5: An assessment model and indicator guidance

SPICE Architecture



Capability Dimension



SPICE processes (summary)

Customer Supplier - those that impact the customer/supplier relationship

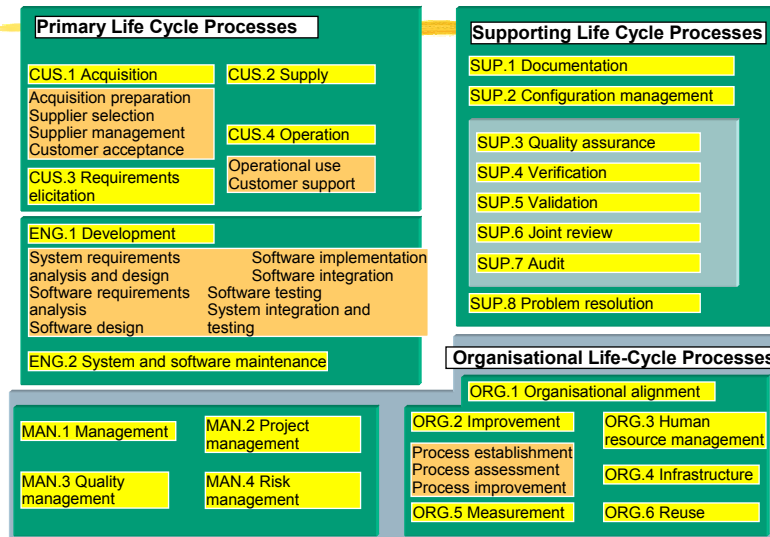
Engineering - those that specify, implement or maintain a system or software product and its user documentation

Support - processes employed by any of the other processes during the Life Cycle

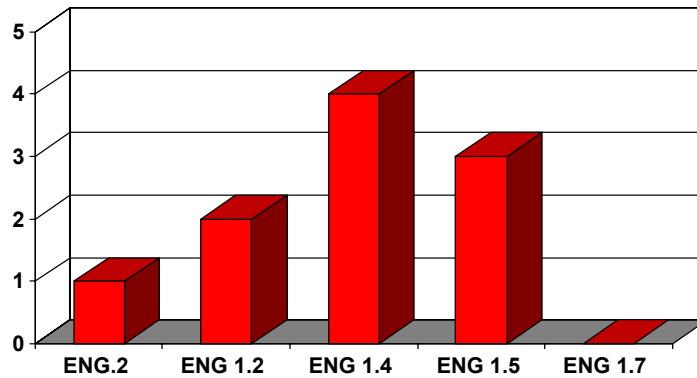
Management - processes used by anyone managing any project or activity within the Life Cycle

Organisation - processes that establish the business goals

SPICE structure - Process dimension



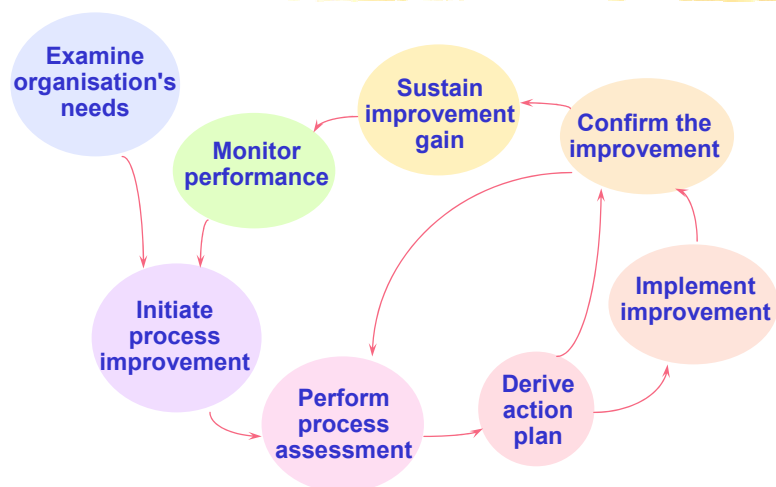
Capability Level Profile



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Process Improvement Steps



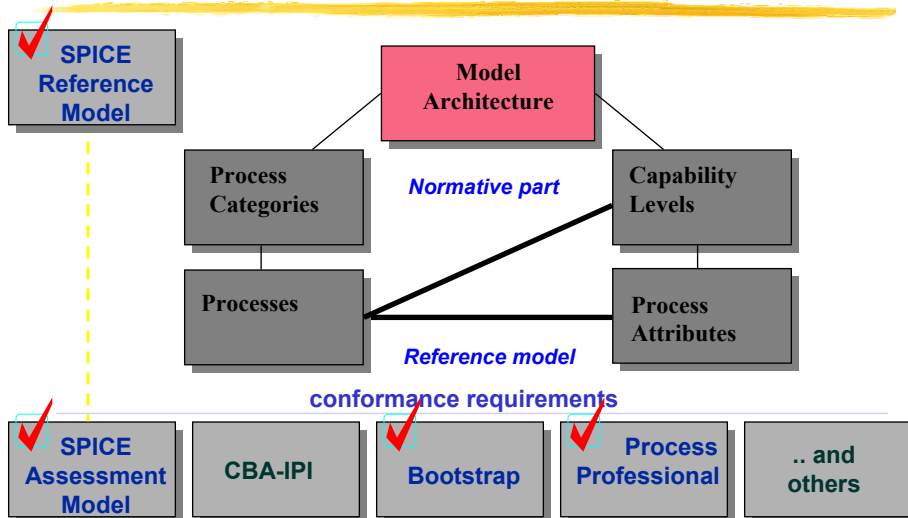
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Using ISO15504

- ❖ It provides a set of requirements for performing software process assessment using
 - A Reference Model for Processes and Process Cap. (**p2**)
 - Requirements for an assessment (**part 3**)
- ❖ It also provides additional guidance information to support use of the Standard
- ❖ In addition, it provides an **Assessment model** conformant to the SPICE Reference Model (**part 5**)

SPICE Conformant Models



Fragen

- A. Welchen Nutzen können Sie aus einem Prozess-Referenzmodell ziehen?
- B. Welchen Nutzen können Sie aus dem SPICE-Verbesserungsprozess ziehen?
- C. Was deckt SPICE nicht ab?