# Agile method and Scrum

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- On your Arche top bar (blue-ish), click on "Home" ("Accueil");
- Then "LORRAINE MANAGEMENT" (5th button, purple);
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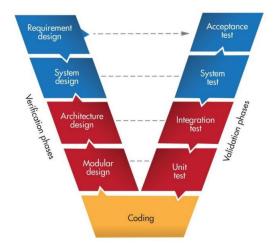
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- Adaptability: if the customer don't like the design when the product is delivered? How bad is it? Do you go to court? Are you able to change it, without any more costs?

## The V-method



## Pros and Cons

#### Advantages:

- Possibility to go backwards;
- Able to see when a problem occurs;

### Disadvantages:

- Big steps/blocks → small adaptability (delays, requirement change, etc.);
- Communications between the parties is limited;
- Measurement of the progression is complicated;

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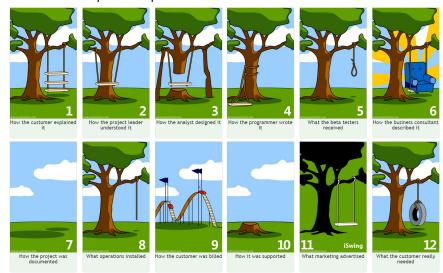
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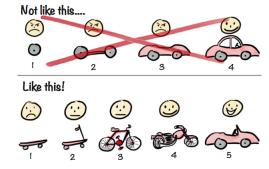


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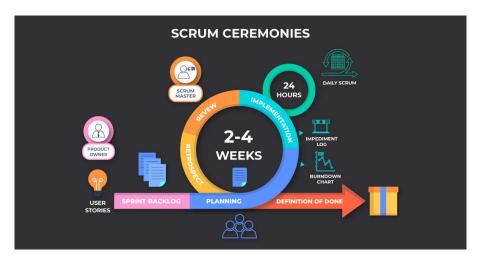
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- Idea of minimum viable product;
  Example: "I need a personal transport"



## Agile principles<sup>1</sup>

- Individuals and interactions over processes and tools;
- Working software over comprehensive documentation;
- Customer collaboration over contract negotiation;
- Responding to change over following a plan;
- Regular delivery to the client of product increments;
- Daily communication between all parties;

## Scrum



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  - Description of (sub-)features;
  - Criteria of acceptance;
- Chosen/refined from Product Backlog;
- Status: Ready, Ongoing, Done, Blocked.

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- No fix roles;
- Self-organized;
- Stable during a Sprint.

## Advantages and good practices

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- Iterative and incremental method;
- Daily meetings (progress recap, problem detection, problem solving);
- Self-organized, but some referents if needed;
- Testing in software development.

#### Good practices

- Define each sprint properly (sprint goal, user stories, etc.);
- Documentation;
- Communication.

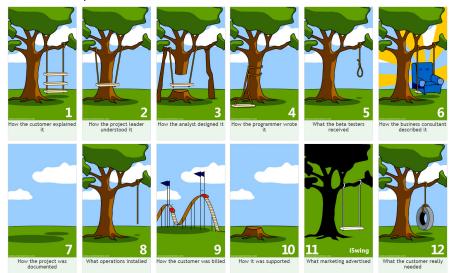
Some tools are often used, like Trello or Slack.

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 $\rightarrow$  One possible solution : the Agile method

