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**The Changing Roles of BAs and QAs in
a SCRUM world**

- For Business Analysts:
 - Requirements Elicitation
 - Business Requirements Documents
 - Software Requirements Documents
 - Requirements Traceability
 - Disseminate knowledge to the dev team

The Old Way...

- For Quality Analysts
 - Test against Requirements
 - Use traceability to determine test coverage
 - Rely on BA for domain knowledge
 - Deal with Requirements Volatility
 - Develop, Maintain and Execute manual and automated test scripts

The Old Way...

- Requirements are assumed incomplete at project start
- Only Roles are Product Owner, SCRUM Master and Development Team Member
- The entire team develops User Stories
- Product Owner maintains backlog and decides on requirements changes
- The entire team decides what 'done' means
- Product Owner assesses demo and make final determination of 'doneness'

The SCRUM way

- **Transparency** – common view of backlog and sprint status shared by entire team
- **Inspection** – sprint artifacts and progress toward Sprint Goal are checked at regular intervals
- **Adaptation** – if inspection reveals deviations from plan, change can be implemented immediately; retrospectives give feedback on process improvements and team implements them as necessary

•SCRUM Principles

- Must know the product domain intimately
- Must know how to explain the product backlog to the sprint team
- Expert at ordering and organizing items in the product backlog
- Responsible for making sure the end-product fits the needs of the users

The BA as Product Owner

- Exercise 'Servant Leadership'
- Ensure the SCRUM process is followed correctly
- Remove impediments
- Procure tools needed by team
- Facilitate team cooperation and success

The BA as SCRUM Master

- Develop and maintain User Stories
- Advise team on how best to write and update User Stories
- Help with development of software (if you have coding skills)
- Help with the testing of software

The BA as Develop Team Member

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The QA as Product Owner

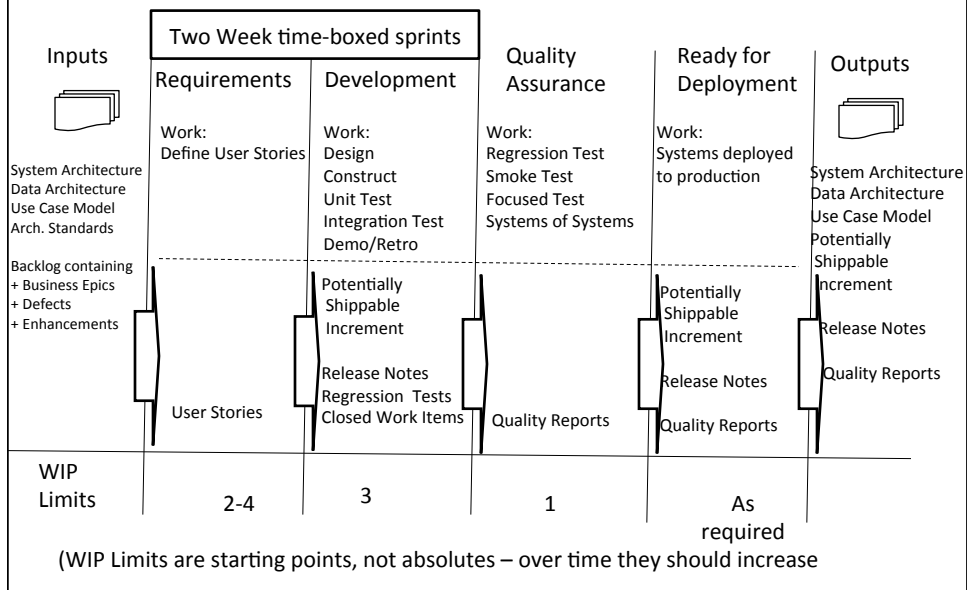
- Use Process skills/experience to ensure that the SCRUM process is followed correctly
- Exercise 'Servant Leadership'
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The QA as SCRUM Master

- Facilitate the development of clear and testable Success Criteria for User Stories
- Share test strategy knowledge with team
- Lead in development of automated tests
- Lead in creation of regression testing strategy

The QA as Development Team Member

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- SCRUM.org
 - <http://scrum.org>
- Agile Manifesto
 - <http://agilemanifesto.org/principles.html>
- Scaled Agile Framework
 - <http://scaledagileframework.com>
- Blue Agility
 - <http://www.blue-agility.com>

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