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## Dream: Plan: Experience



### Types of plans

This is the third article which is a summary of Book 1 Chapter 3 which covers the topic of ‘Types of plans’. Once you have settled on a dream, it is time to put your desire/s into action and for that you need a plan.

What is a plan?

Definitions:

- 1) Scale drawing of a structure
- 2) An arrangement scheme
- 3) A series of steps to be carried out or goals to be accomplished

How many planning genres are there?

The answer is 2.

What are they?

- 1) Top-down method aka strategic planning
- 2) Bottom-up approach aka IT project planning

#### **Strategic planning** - Top-down methods

There are a plethora of strategic planning methods.

Philosophers (\*) are the quintessential strategic planner.

Here are examples of such methods (alphabetically):

- BA - Business architecture
- BPR - Business process re-engineering
- BSP - Business system processing
- EA - Enterprise architecture
- IA - Information architecture
- IE - Information engineering

#### **IT project planning** - Bottom-up approach

Here are a few examples:

- 1) The Traditional, Sequential Methodologies
  - 1.1) Waterfall
  - 1.2) Critical Path Method - CPM
  - 1.3) Critical Chain Project Management - CCPM
- 2) Project Management Institute - PMI
- 3) Project Management Body of Knowledge
- 4) The Agile Family
  - 4.1) Agile
  - 4.2) Scrum
  - 4.3) Kanban
  - 4.4) Extreme Programming - XP
  - 4.5) Adaptive Project Framework – APF

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