

INTRODUCTION TO SYSTEM ANALYSIS AND DESIGN AND ITS PHASES

Subject: System Analysis and Design

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Learning Objectives

After studying this topic, students will be able to:

- **Understand the concept of System Analysis and Design**
- **Explain the need of SAD**
- **Describe phases of SDLC**
- **Understand the importance of structured system development**

Introduction to System Analysis and Design (SAD)

System Analysis and Design (SAD) is a systematic approach used to analyze business problems and design appropriate information systems to solve those problems effectively.

It focuses on:

- Studying existing systems
- Identifying problems
- Gathering requirements
- Designing improved systems

SAD plays a major role in the **Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)**.

Need of System Analysis and Design

System Analysis and Design is required to:

- Improve efficiency of organization
- Reduce operational cost
- Avoid system failure
- Ensure proper planning
- Develop user-friendly systems

Without proper analysis, systems may fail or not meet user requirements.

Phases of System Analysis and Design (SDLC Phases)

System development follows a structured process called SDLC.

1. Planning Phase

- Identify problem
- Define objectives
- Estimate cost and time
- Resource planning

2. Feasibility Study

This phase checks whether the system is possible or not.

Types of feasibility:

- Technical feasibility
- Economic feasibility
- Operational feasibility
- Legal feasibility
- Schedule feasibility

3. Requirement Analysis

- Collect user requirements
- Prepare Software Requirement Specification (SRS)
- Identify functional and non-functional requirements

4. System Design

This phase converts requirements into system design.

Two types:

- Logical Design
- Physical Design

Tools used:

- Data Flow Diagram (DFD)
- Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD)

5. Development (Coding)

- Convert design into programming code
- Use suitable programming language
- Follow coding standards

6 . Testing

Types of testing:

- Unit Testing
- Integration Testing
- System Testing
- User Acceptance Testing

7. Implementation

- Install the system
- Train users
- Data migration

8. Maintenance

- Correct errors
- Update system
- Improve performance

SDLC Cycle

Planning → Feasibility → Analysis → Design → Coding → Testing → Implementation → Maintenance

Conclusion

System Analysis and Design ensures that information systems are developed in a structured, efficient, and reliable manner.

Proper implementation of SDLC phases reduces risk, improves quality, and increases user satisfaction.