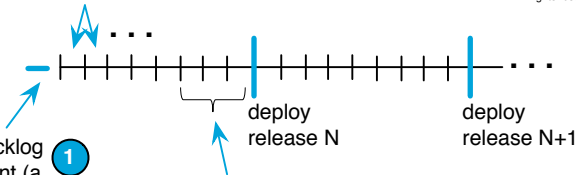thereafter, release planning and Product
Backlog refinement is a rolling wave
activity that occurs each iteration **2**

deploy
release N

deploy
release N+1

initial Product Backlog
creation/refinement (a
significant release N
planning step) needs to
occur only *once*, when
first adopting Scrum **1**

no distinct, major release N+1 planning step is
needed shortly before the start of the next
release cycle, because future-release planning
is spread out across the regular per-iteration
Product Backlog refinement sessions **3**