

Agile software development

FASTER, BETTER, CHEAPER

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Experiences traditional projects

- → Qimonda: MES development , > 20 milion €
- → Otto: Logistics & order management system
 - → 1st generation: ~ 150 MY
 - → 2st generation Java: EOL
 - → 3st generation SAP: ???







Standish Reports

- → Standish Group "Chaos Reports"
 - → 1994 82% challenged or failures
 - → 2001 72% challenged or failures
 - → 2009 68% challenged or failures
- → Definition of project "success"
 - → Successful: on time, on budget, all specified features
 - → Challenged: completed and operational, but oder budget, late, and with fewer features then initially specified
 - → Failed: canceld before completion or never implemented



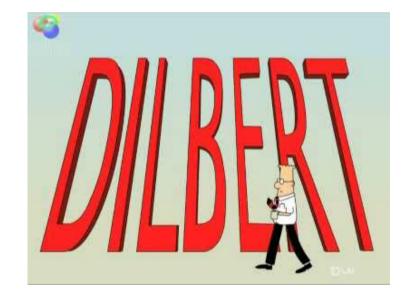


Standish Reports

→ The Standish date are NOT a good indicator of poor software development performance

→ However, they ARE an indicator of systematic failure of our planning and

measurement processes.

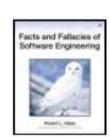




Biggest challenge in SW development: complexity

- → "For every 25 percent increase in problem complexity, there is a 100 percent increase in complexity of the software solution. That's not a condition to try to change, that's just the way it is."
- → "Eighty percent of software work is intellectual. A fair amount of it is creative. Little of it is clerical."

Facts and Fallacies of Software Engineering Robert L. Glass





Complexity I

- → Why are people so important?
 - Because it takes considerable intelligence and skill to overcome complexity.
- → Why is estimation so difficult?
 - Because our solutions are so much more complicated than our problems appear to be.
- → Why is reuse-in-the-large unsuccessful?
 - Because complexity magnifies diversity.
- → Why is there a requirements explosion
 - Because we are moving from the 25 percent part of the world to the 100 percent part.
- → Why does software have so many errors?
 - Because it is so difficult to get it right the first time.

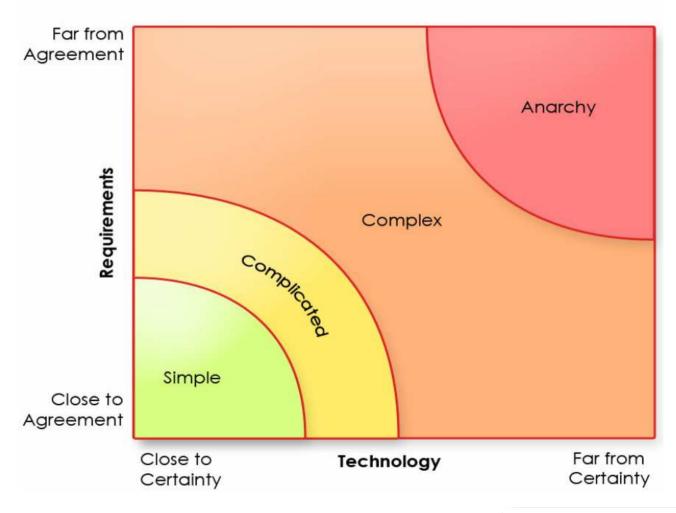


Complexity II

- → Why are there so many different correct approaches to designing the solution to a problem?
 - Because the solution space is so complex.
- → Why do the best designers use iterative, heuristic approaches?
 - Because there are seldom any simple and obvious design solutions.
- → Why is 100 percent test coverage rarely possible and, in any case, insufficient?
 - Because of the enormous number of paths in most programs and because software complexity leads to errors that coverage cannot trap.
- → Why are inspections the most effective and efficient error removal approach?
 - Because it takes a human to filter through all that complexity to spot errors.

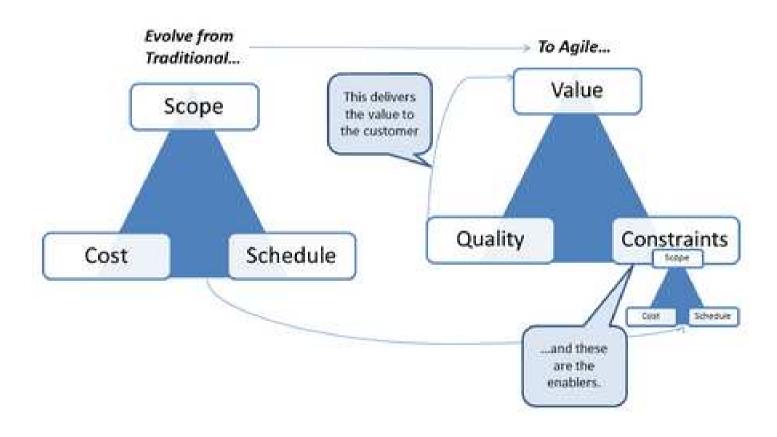


The Spectrum of Process Complexity

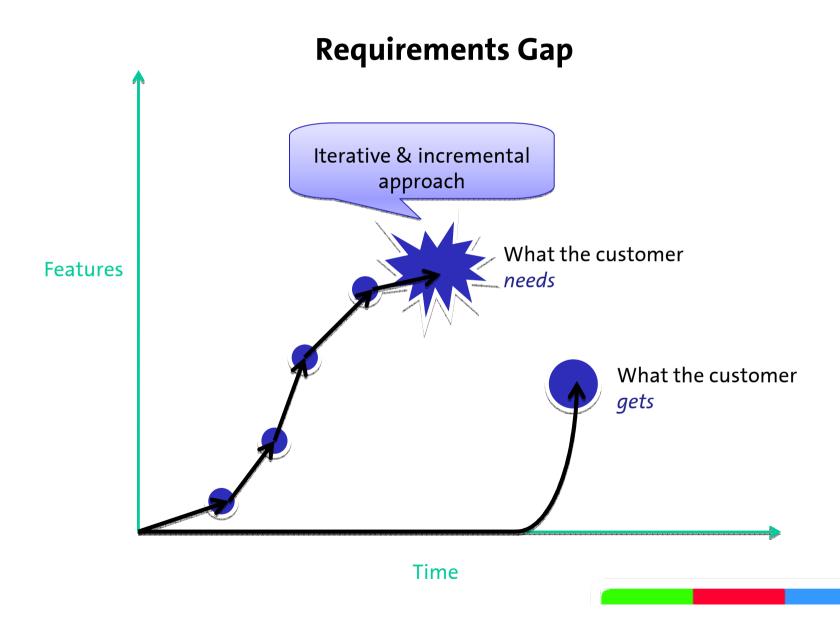




Project management



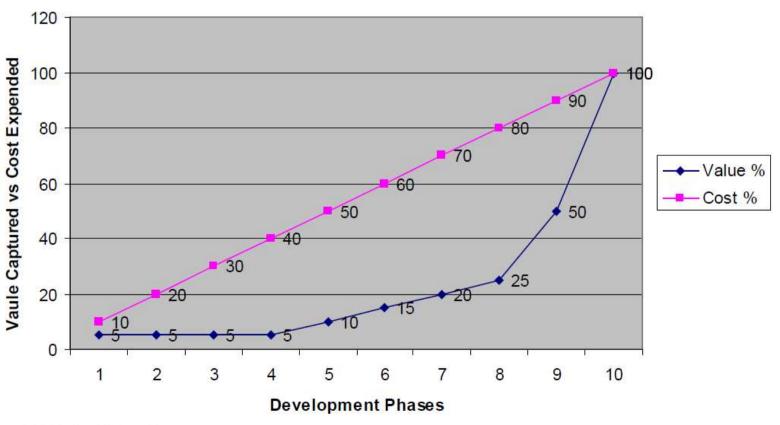






Value

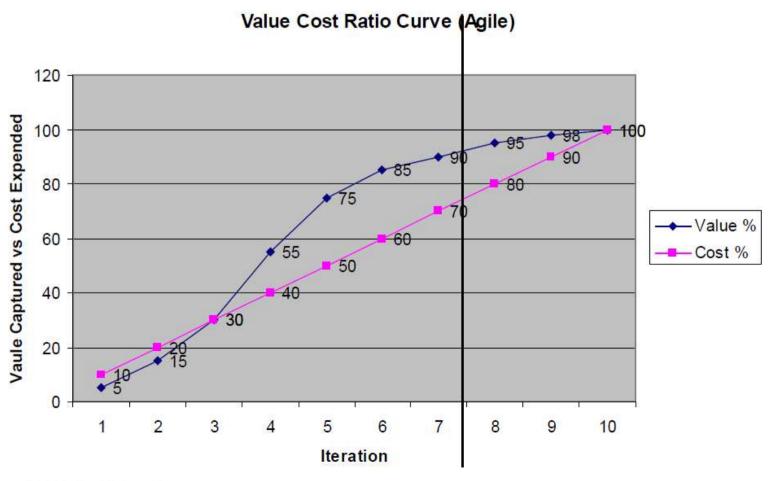
Value Cost Ratio Curve (Traditional)



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Value

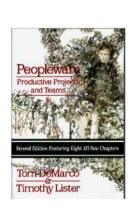


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Quality

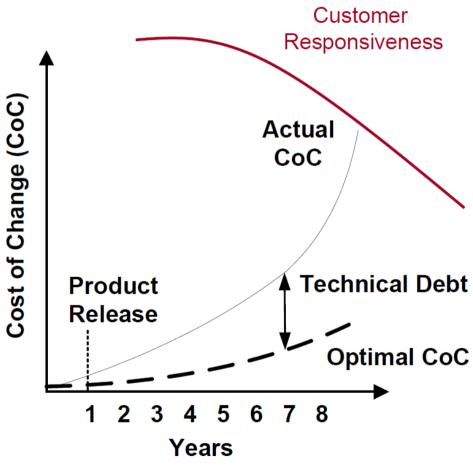
- → "People under time pressure don't work better; they Just work faster. In order to work faster, they may have to sacrifice the quality of the product and their own job satisfaction."
- → "Quality, far beyond that required by the end user, is a means to higher productivity."

PeopleWare
Productive Projects and
Teams
Tom DeMarco
Timothy Lister





Technical Debt



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- → Once on far right of curve, all choices are hard
- → If nothing is done, it just gets worse
- → In applications with high technical debt, estimating is nearly impossible
- → Only 3 strategies:
 - → Do nothing, it gets worse
 - → Replace, high cost/risk
 - → Incremental refactoring



Impact of Code Quality on Testing

Given: Team of 4 people having 10 days producing 4 KLOC

Assume: ½ day to find & fix per defect.

Defects/KLOC	Testing Time	
1	2 days	
15	30 days	

^{*} Industry Average: "about 15 - 50 errors per 1000 lines of delivered code."



CODE COMPLETESteve McConnell



Some companies using Scrum













