

Business Value of Lean Thinking

CAPITALIZING UPON LEAN THINKING PRINCIPLES TO RAPIDLY CREATE INNOVATIVE PRODUCTS & SERVICES

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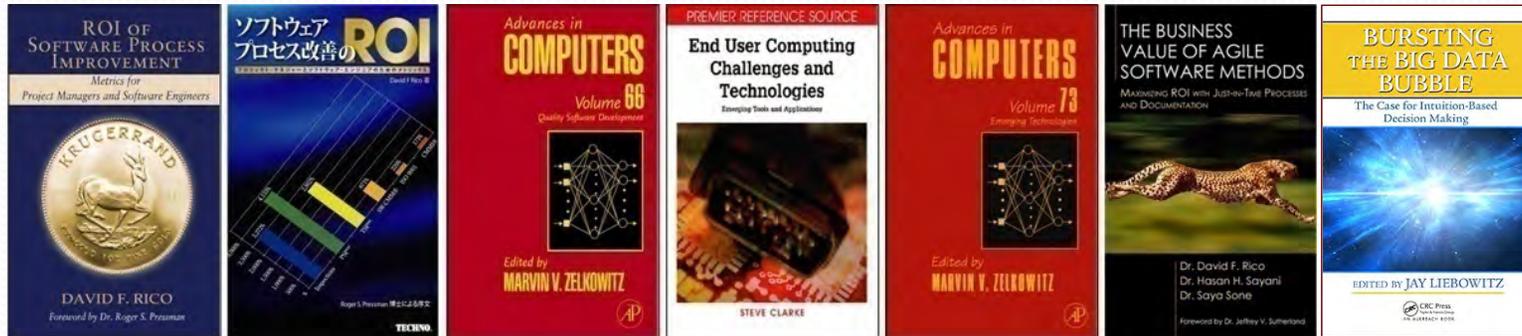
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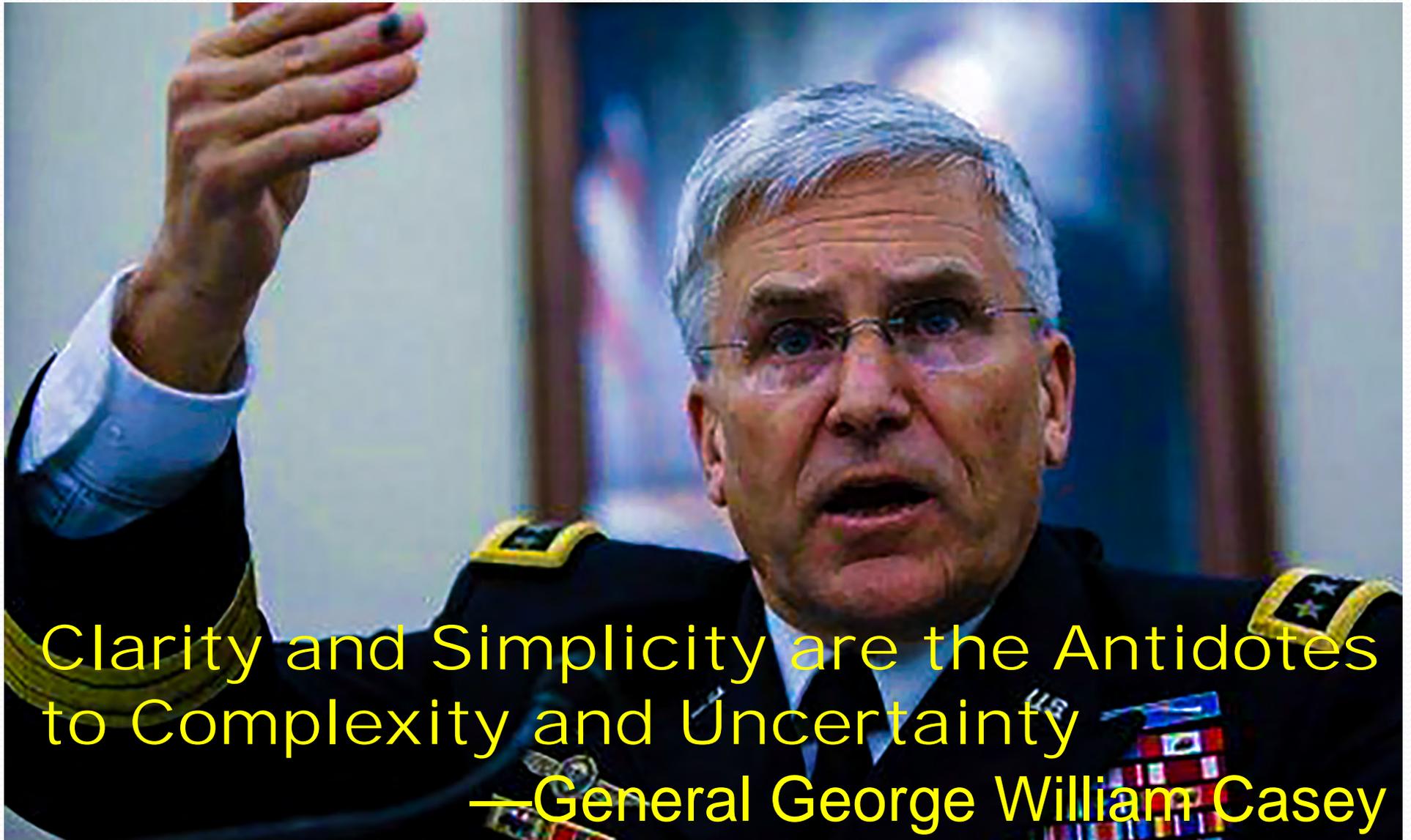
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- Large gov't projects in U.S., Far/Mid-East, & Europe



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- ✓ Supported numerous billion-dollar enterprise digital transformation initiatives for 35+ years.
- ✓ Clients multi-billion government agencies, Fortune 500 conglomerates, and international IT firms.
- ✓ Included NASA's Space Station, Japanese Firms, Navy Fighters, NRO Satellites, and Intel Clouds, etc.
- ✓ Supported Digital Transformations at leading energy, healthcare, financial, and DoD enterprises and firms.
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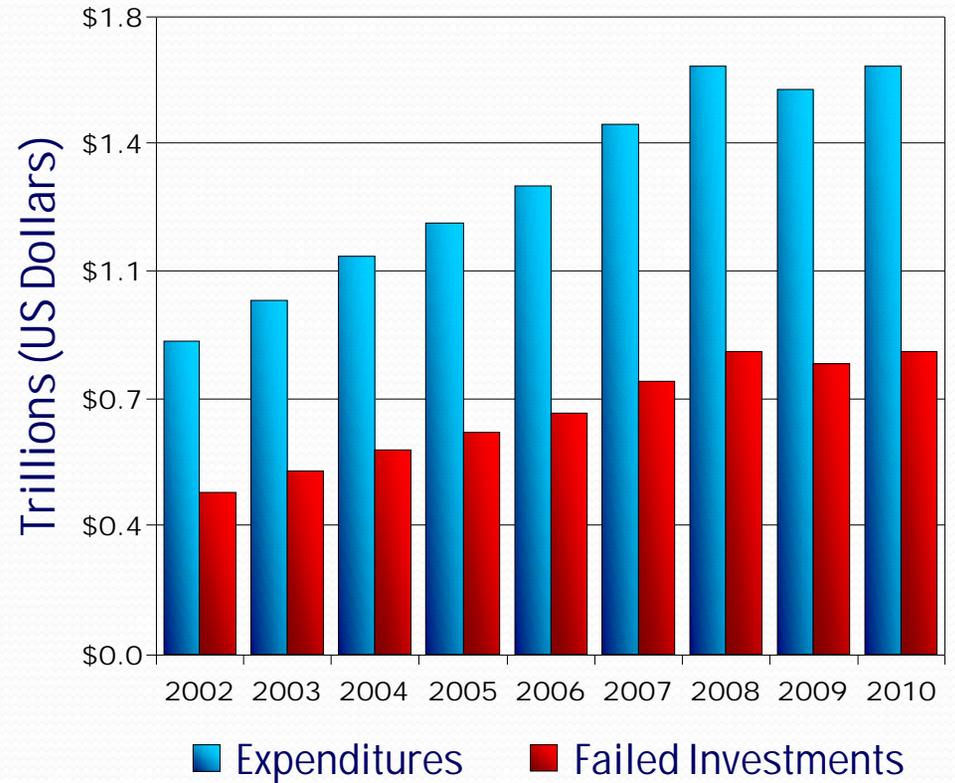
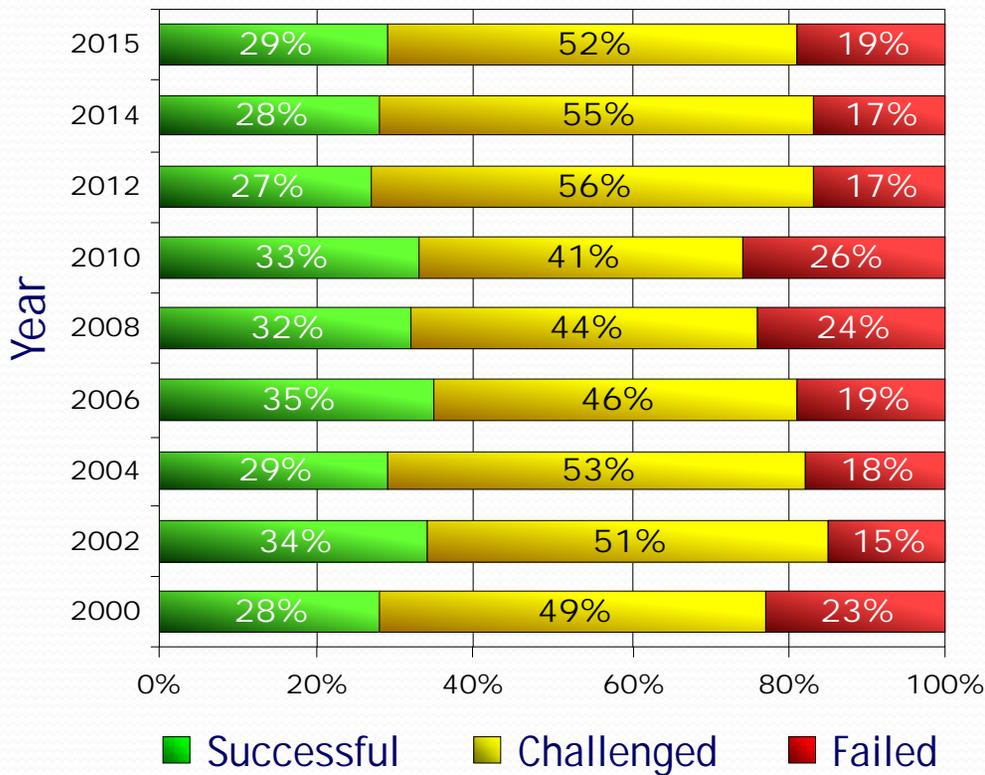
General Casey on Lean Thinking



Clarity and Simplicity are the Antidotes
to Complexity and Uncertainty
—General George William Casey

Traditional Project Failure Rates

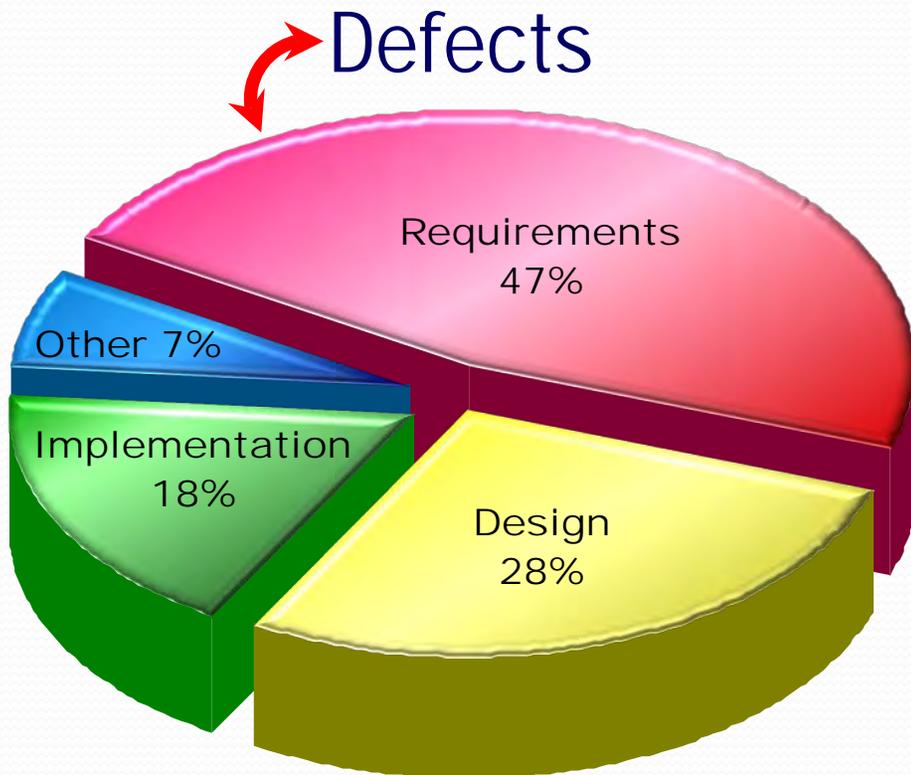
- ❑ Challenged and failed projects hover at 67%
- ❑ Big projects fail more often, which is 5% to 10%
- ❑ Of \$1.7T spent on IT projects, over \$858B were lost



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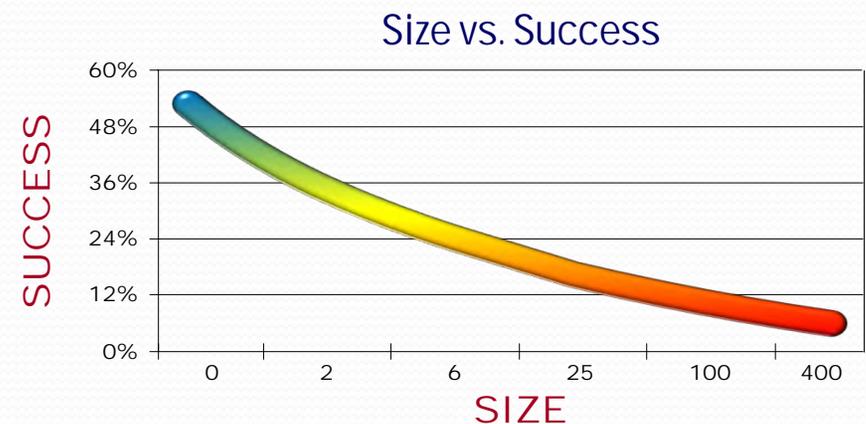
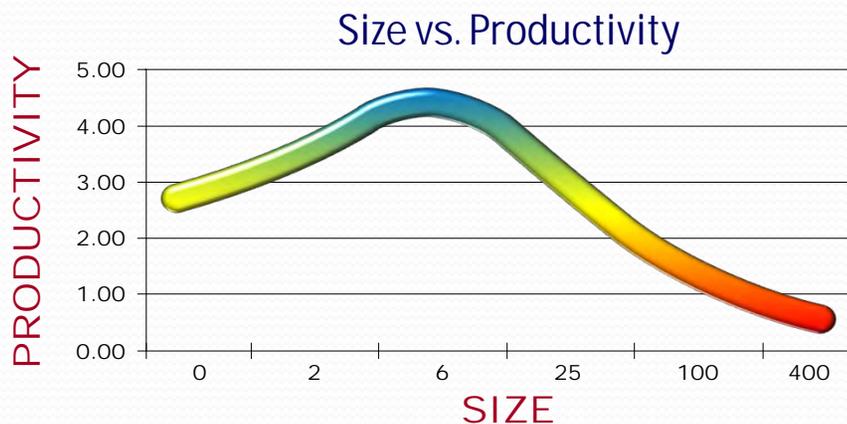
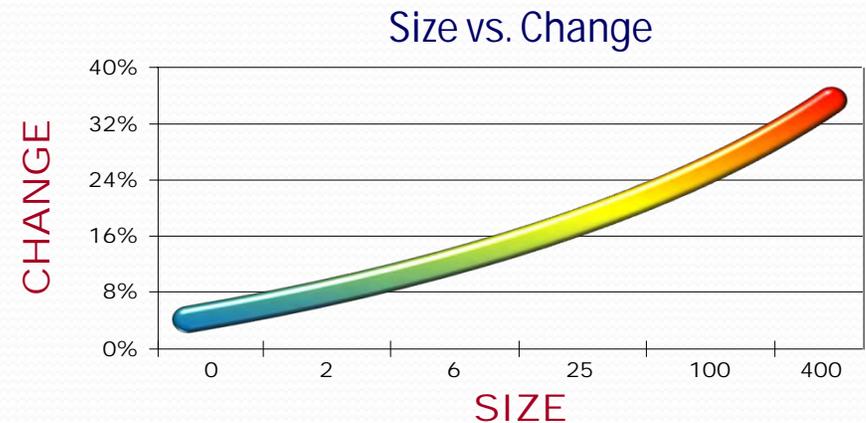
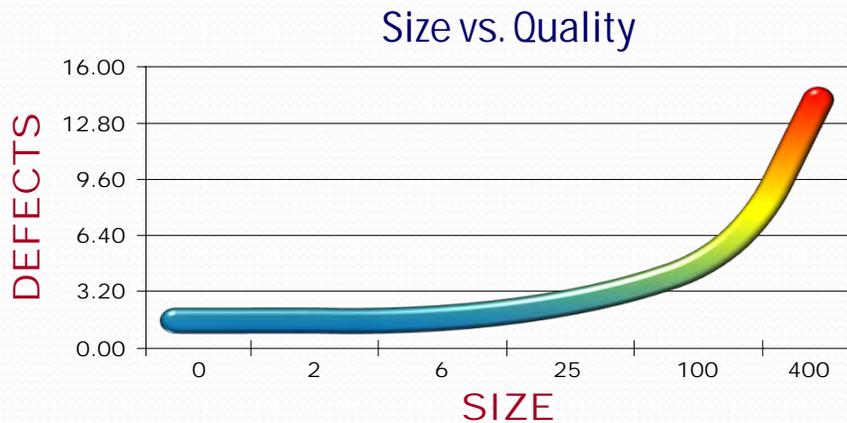
Traditional Defects & Waste

- ❑ Requirements defects are #1 reason projects fail
- ❑ Traditional projects specify **too many requirements**
- ❑ More than 65% of requirements are never used at all



Size & Complexity vs. Performance

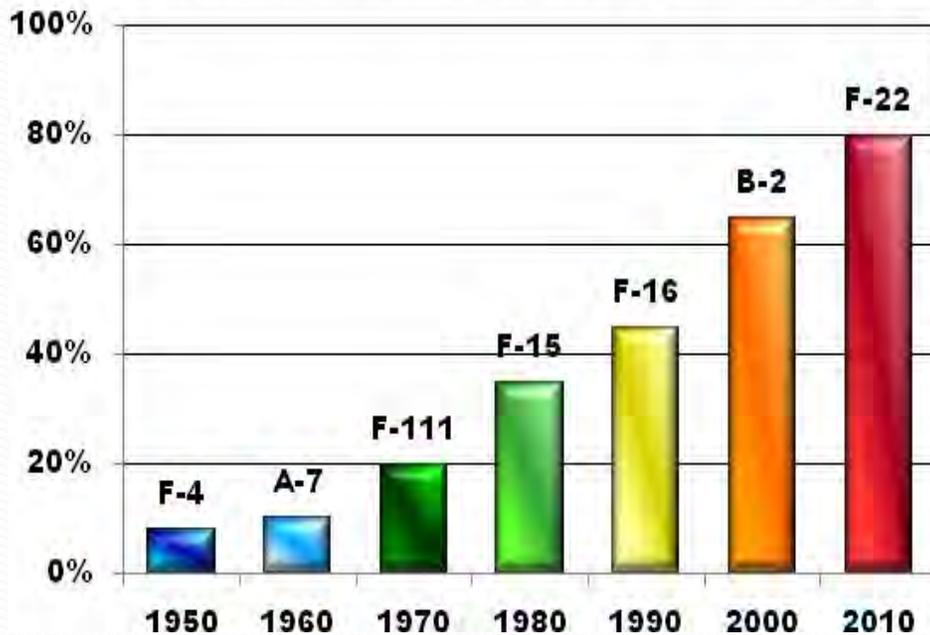
- ❑ Big projects result in poor quality and scope changes
- ❑ Productivity declines with long queues/wait times
- ❑ Large projects are unsuccessful or canceled



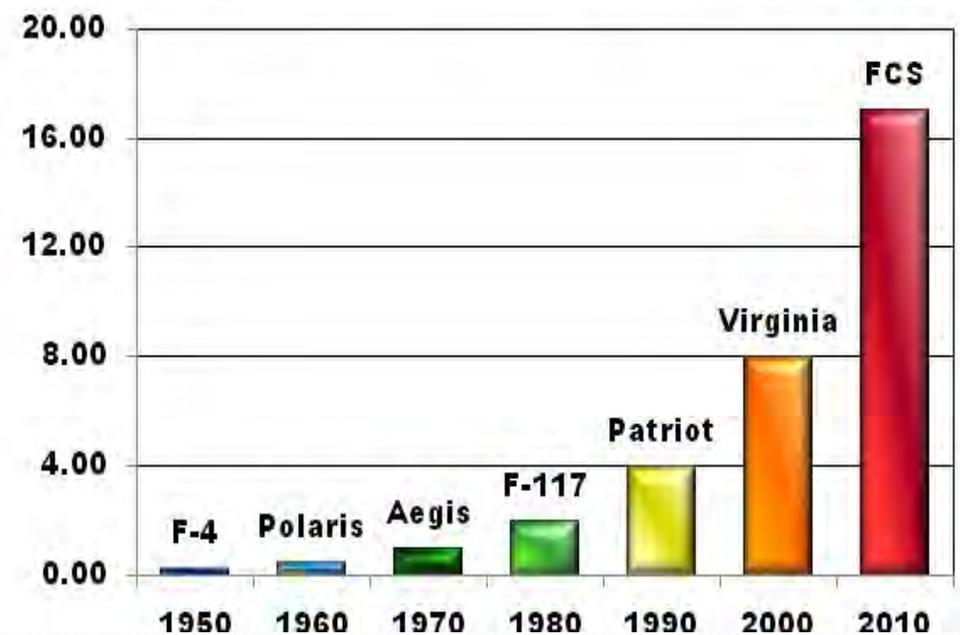
Complexity U.S. DoD Systems

- No. of software-intensive systems is **growing**
- **80%** of US DoD **functions** performed in software
- ☞ □ Major driver of cost, schedule, & tech. performance

DoD Functions Performed by Software (%)



DoD Functions Perf. by Software (MLOC)



Complexity in U.S. DoD Fighter Jets

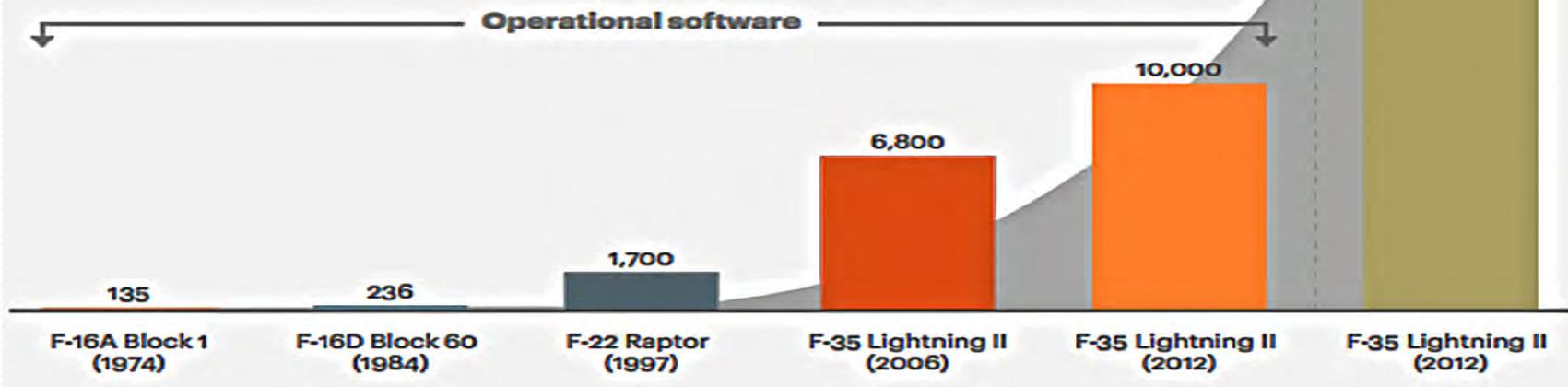
- ❑ Software in U.S. DoD avionics growing exponentially
- ❑ 10x growth from F-16 to F-22 (& another 10x to F-35)
- ❑ Productivity must grow by 10x for next gen systems

SLOC in thousands

Aircraft	LOC (M)	Years	Production Rate	Relative
F-22	1.7	6	0.2833	0.5037
F-35	9	16	0.5625	1.0000
Next Gen	90	12	7.5000	13.3333

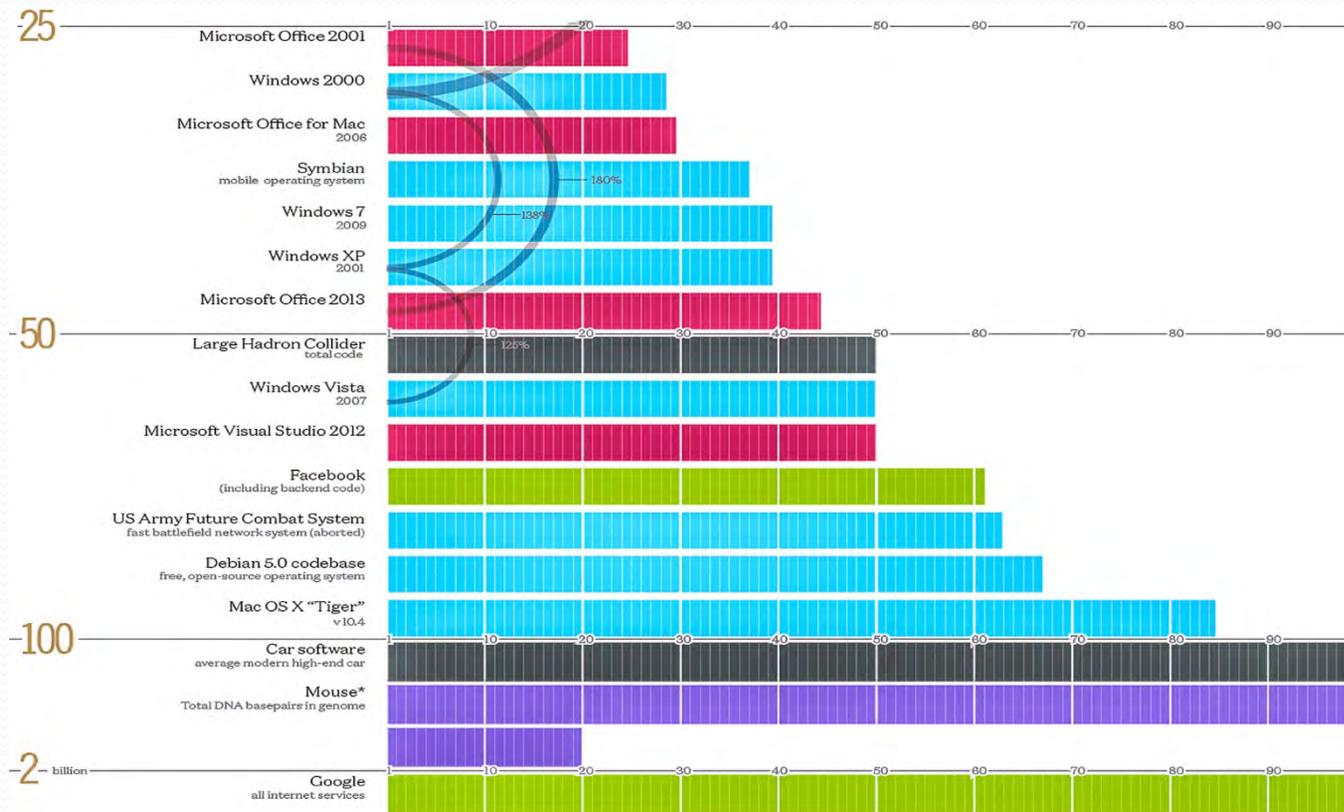
Operational and support software

NOTE: F-35 SLOC figures are from first test flight and current estimates/sources



Complexity in Software Systems

- ❑ Software systems increased to billions of lines of code
- ❑ Software systems will grow to trillions of lines of code
- ❑ Productivity must increase by 1,000x in 21st century



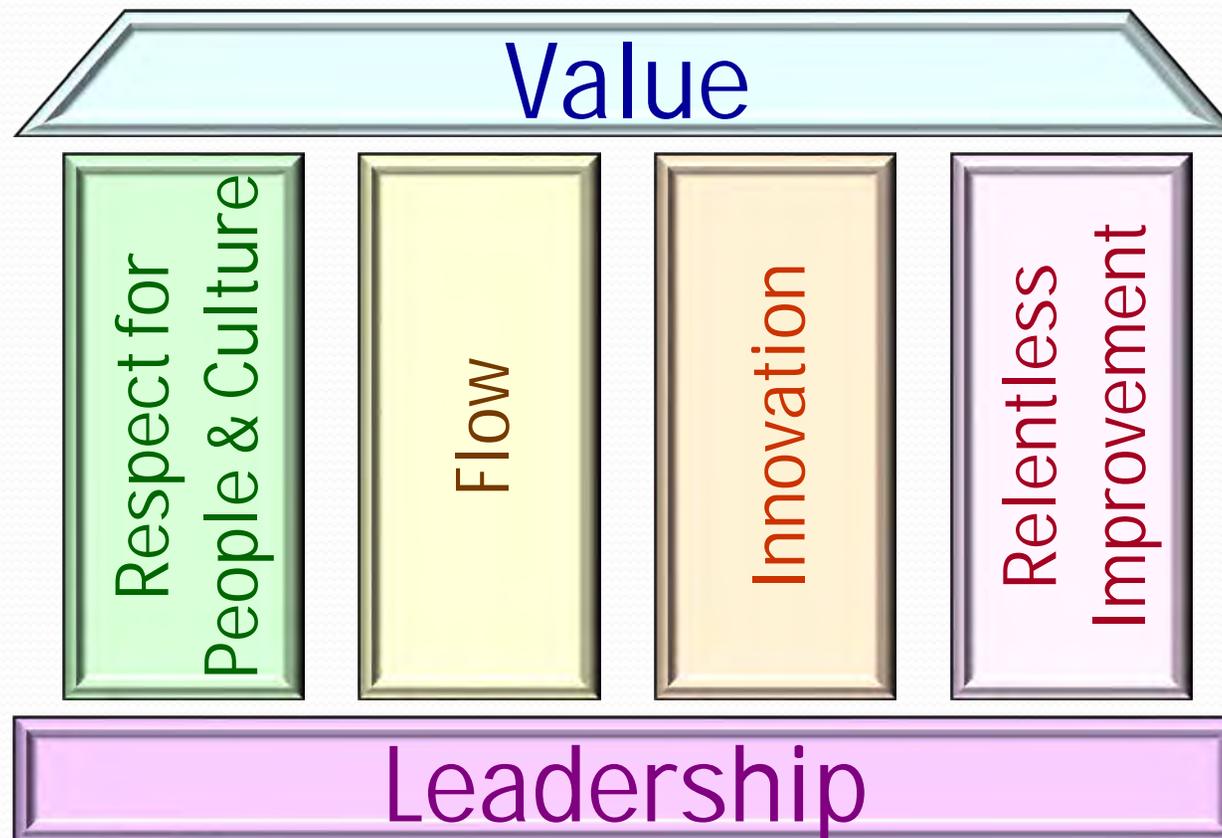
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What is Lean Thinking

- Lean (lēn): Property consisting of being **thinness**, **slimness**, and **skinniness**; To be extremely slender
 - A **customer-driven** product development process that delivers the maximum amount of **business value**
 - An economical way of **planning** and **managing** the development of complex new products and services
 - A product development process that is **free of excess waste**, capacity, and non-value adding activities
 - **Just-enough**, just-in-time, and right-sized product development **processes**, **documentation**, and **tools**
 - A product development approach that is **ADAPTABLE TO CHANGE** in customer needs and market conditions

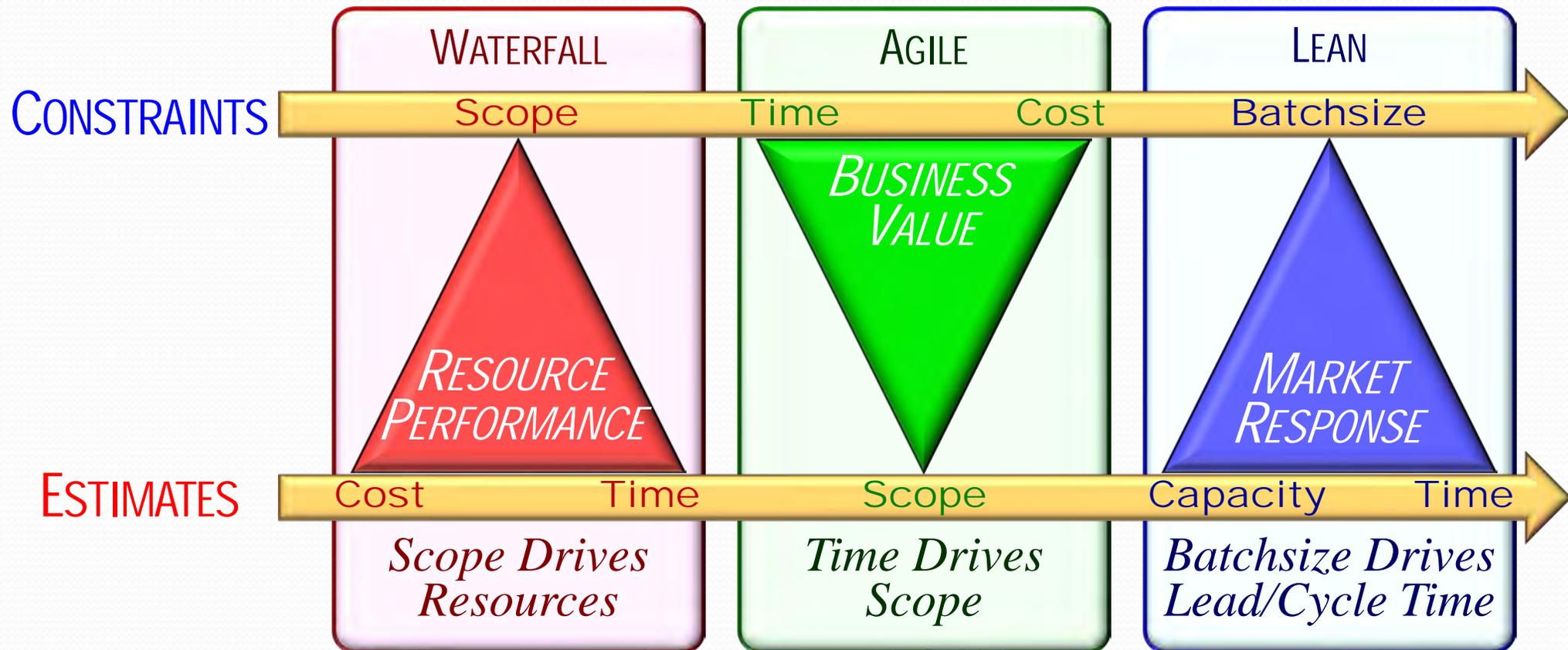
What is the Lean Value System

- Time-centric way to compete on speed & time
- Customer-centric model to optimize cost & quality
- ☞ □ Pull-centric alternative to wasteful mass production



Lean Thinking Goldilocks Zone

- Traditional project management is scope-based
- Agile project management is primarily time-based
- ☞ □ Batchsize, capacity, & time key to market response



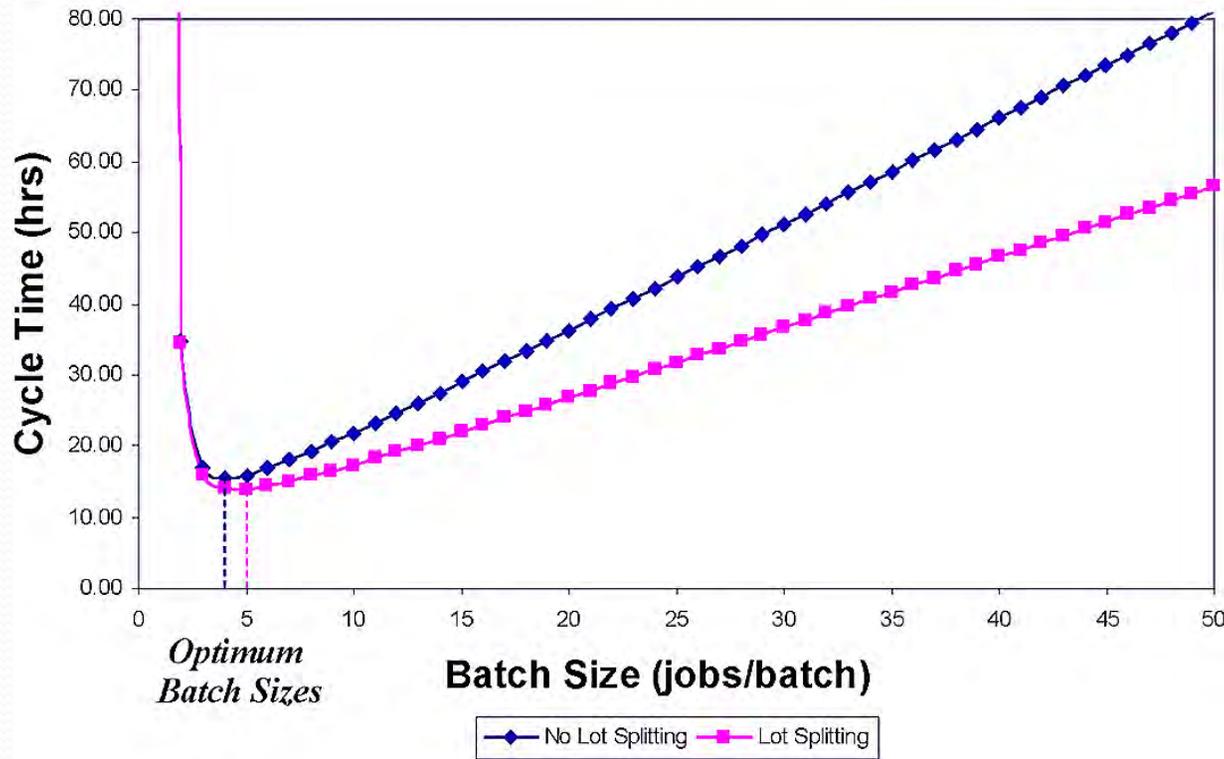
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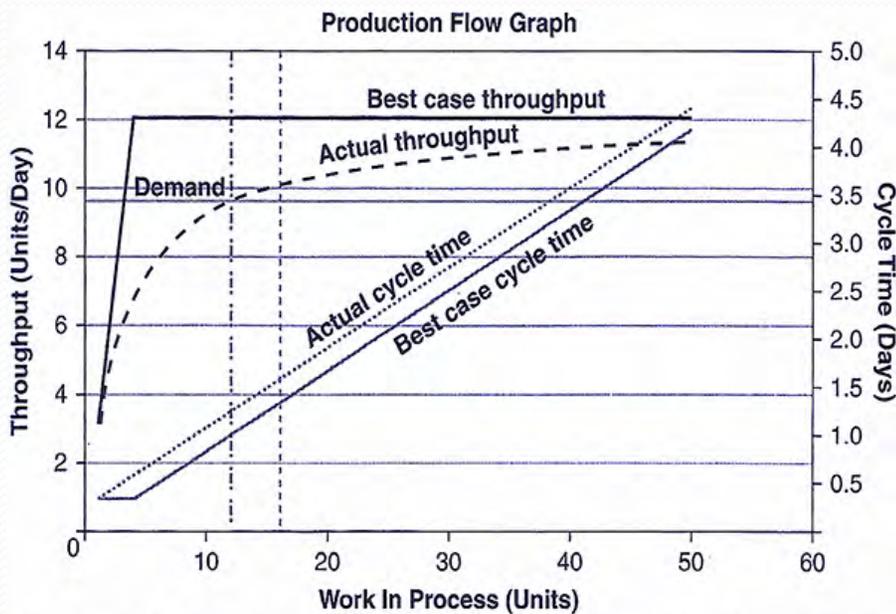
Batchsize vs. Cycle Times

- Increasing batchsizes elongates cycle times
- Splitting batchsizes decreases cycle times a bit
- ☞ □ Decrease or split batchsizes to decrease cycle times

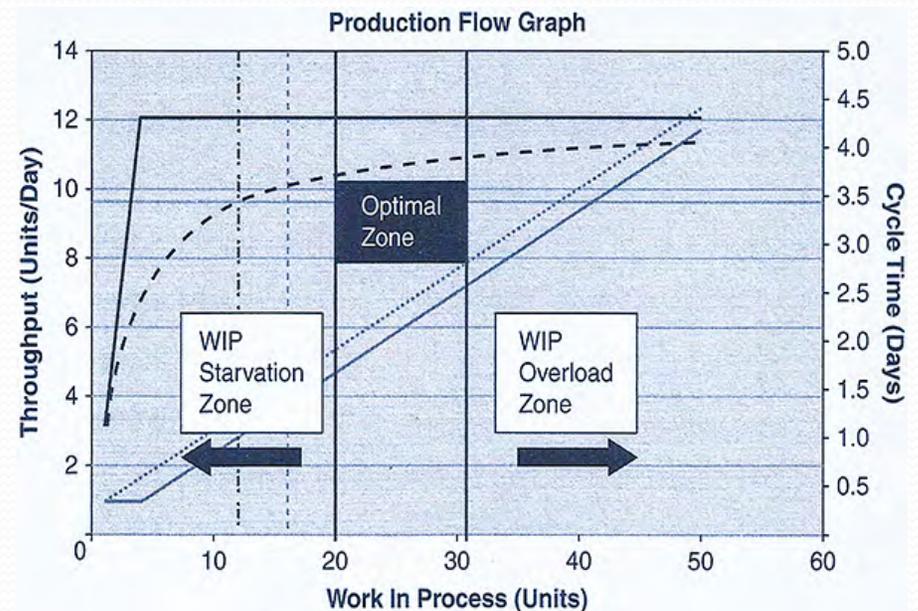


WIP vs. Throughput/Cycle Time

- Increasing WIP elongates throughput & cycle times
- Far too little or far too much WIP is also suboptimal
- ☞ □ Decrease WIP to decrease throughput/cycle times



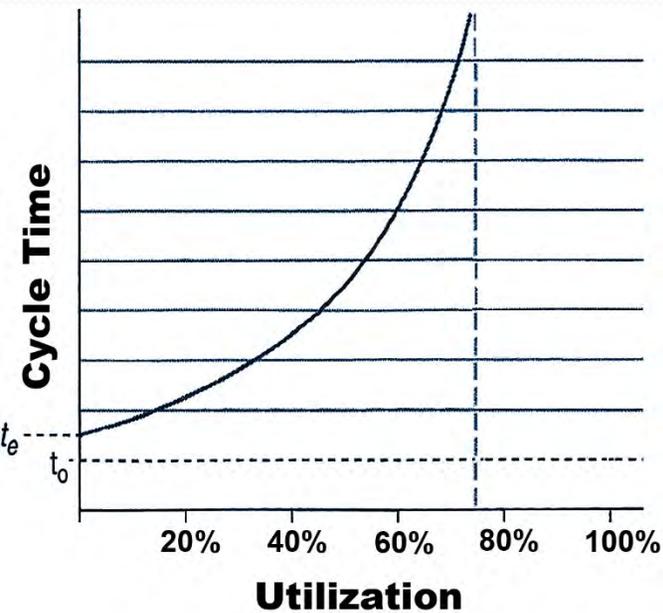
A Visual Representation of Production-Flow Behavior



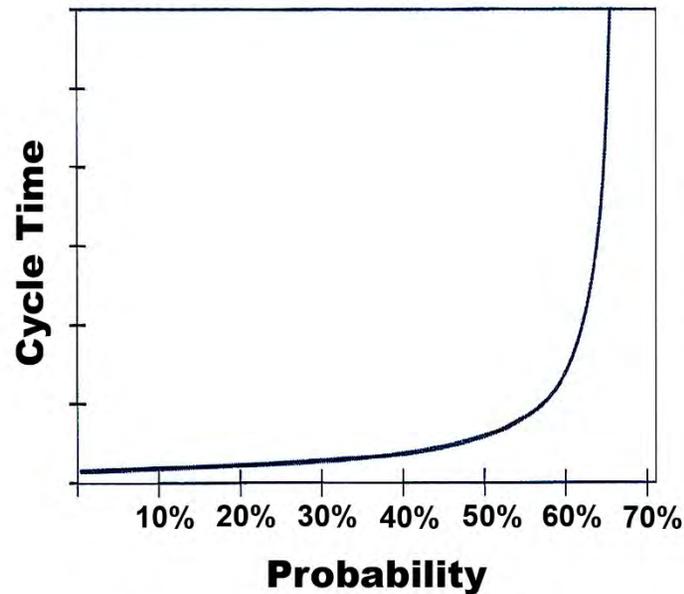
The Optimal WIP Zone

Utilization vs. Cycle Times

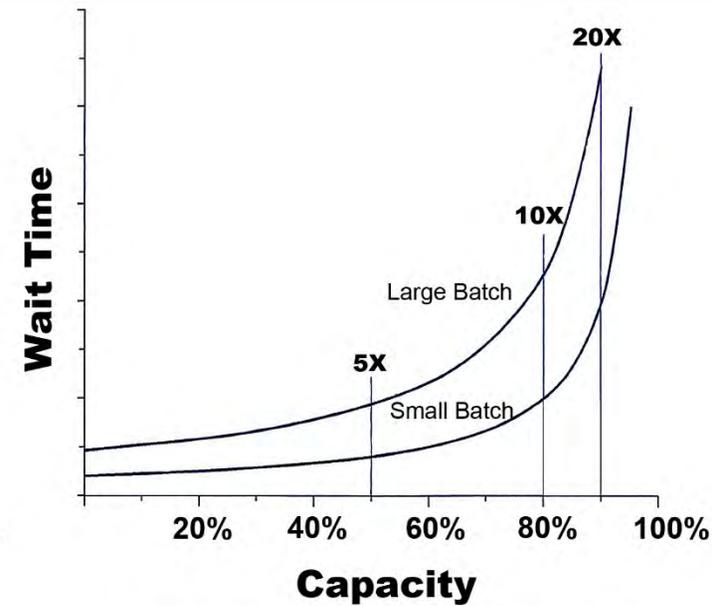
- Increased utilization elongates cycle times
- Increasing cycle times reduces system quality
- ☞ □ Decrease utilization to speed up & increase quality



Corrupting Influence of Variability



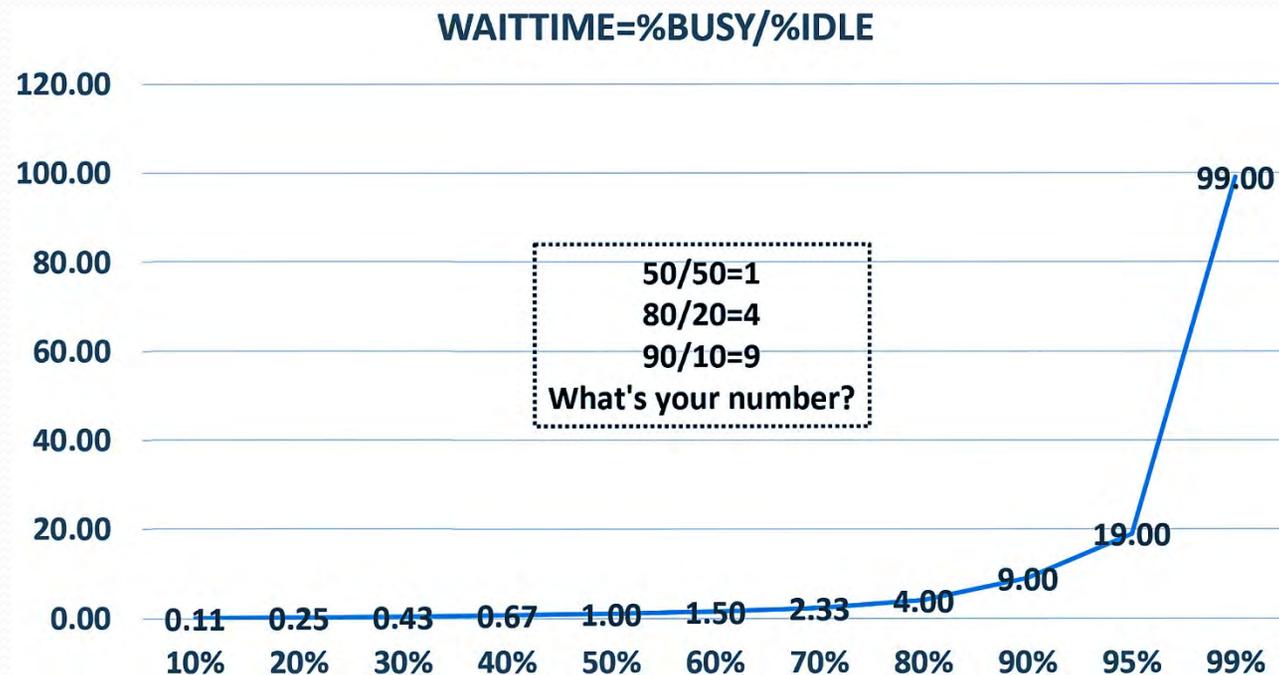
Cycle Time and Probability of Rework



Rising Wait Times and Full Capacity

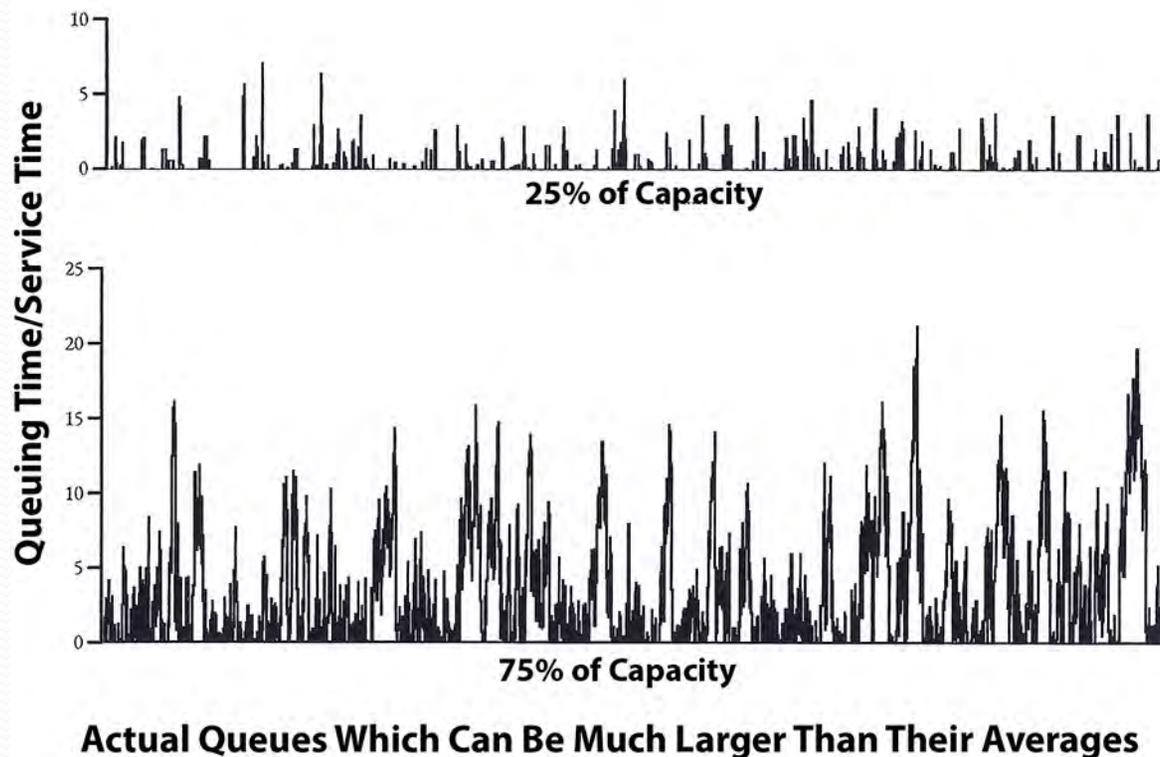
Utilization vs. Wait Times

- Increased utilization elongates wait times
- Wait times quadruple at 80% utilization rates
- ☞ □ Decrease utilization to speed up & increase quality



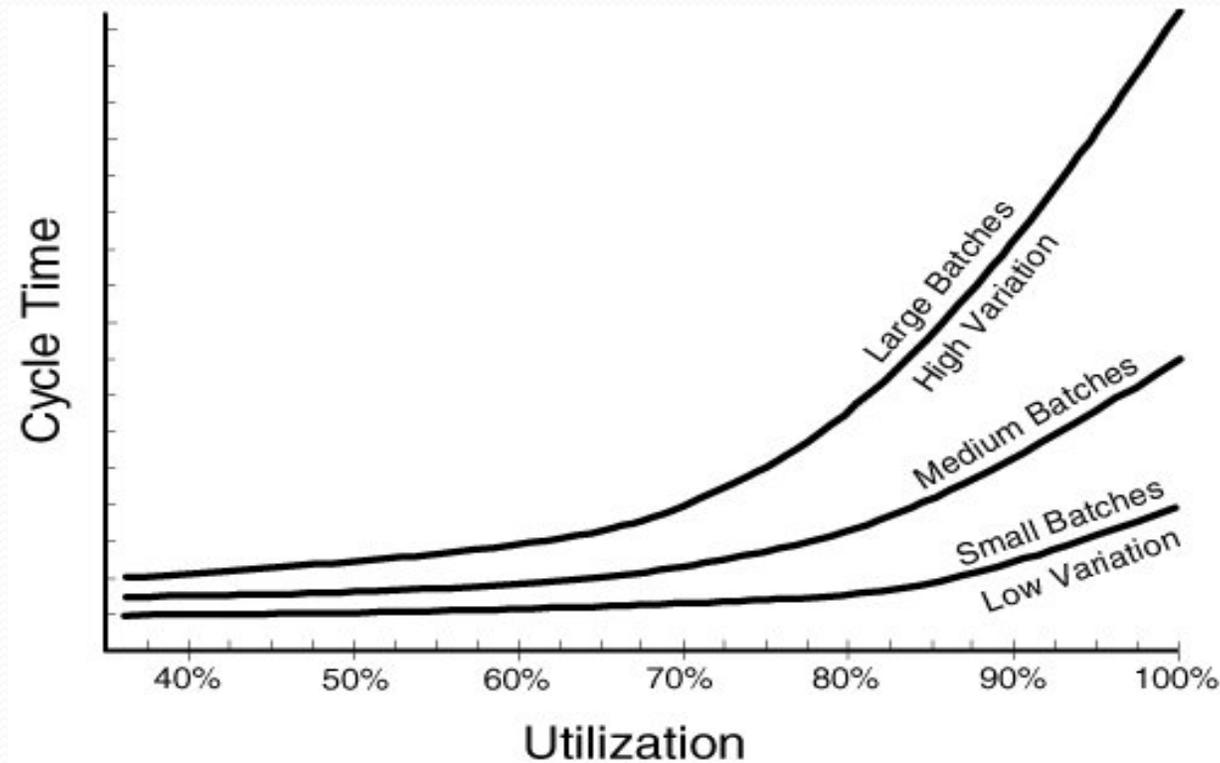
Capacity vs. Queue-Service Times

- Increased utilization elongates queue & service times
- Increased utilization does not reduce service time
- ☞ □ Decrease utilization to decrease waiting times



Batchsize vs. Variation (Defects)

- Larger batchsizes increase variation (defects)
- Reducing batchsizes reduces variation (defects)
- ☞ □ Decrease batchsizes to decrease variation (defects)



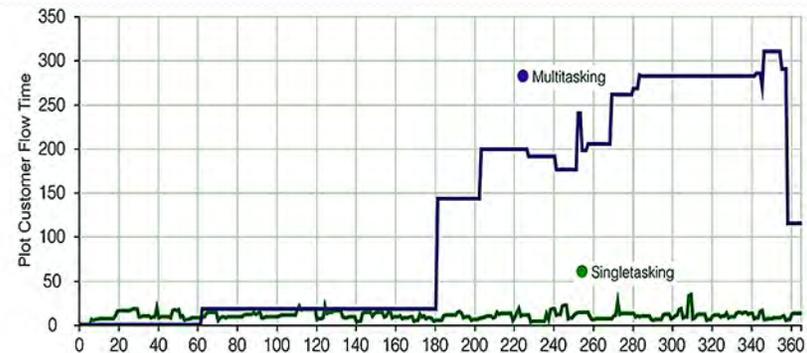
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Multi-Tasking & Performance

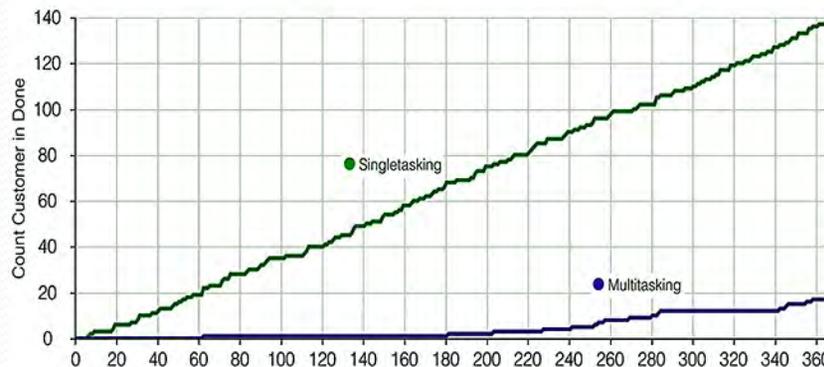
- Increased multi-tasking decreases performance
- Multi-tasking decreases throughput & predicability
- ☞ □ **Decrease multitasking to increase & business value**



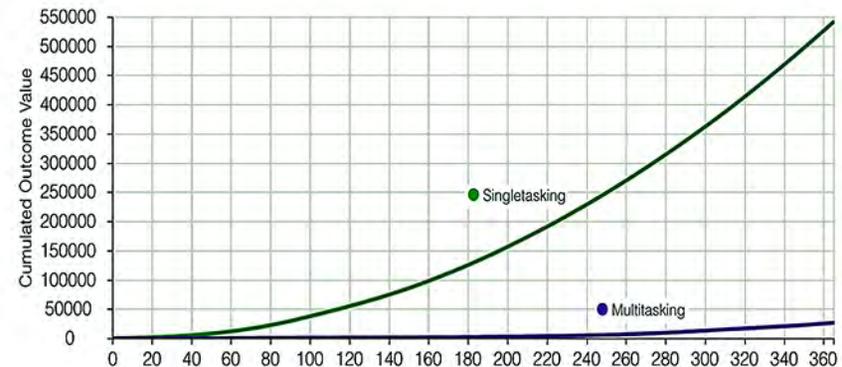
Multitasking Increases Wait Times



Multitasking Increases UNpredictability



Multitasking Reduces Throughput



Multitasking Decreases Business Value

Multi-Tasking & Context Switching

- ❑ Increased multi-tasking decreases project time
- ❑ Increased multi-tasking increases context switching
- ❑ Decrease multitasking to speed up & increase quality

Number of Simultaneous Projects	% Time Available per Project	% Loss to Context Switching
1	100	0
2	40	20
3	20	40
4	10	60
5	5	75

The Impact of Multi-Tasking & Context Switching on Productivity

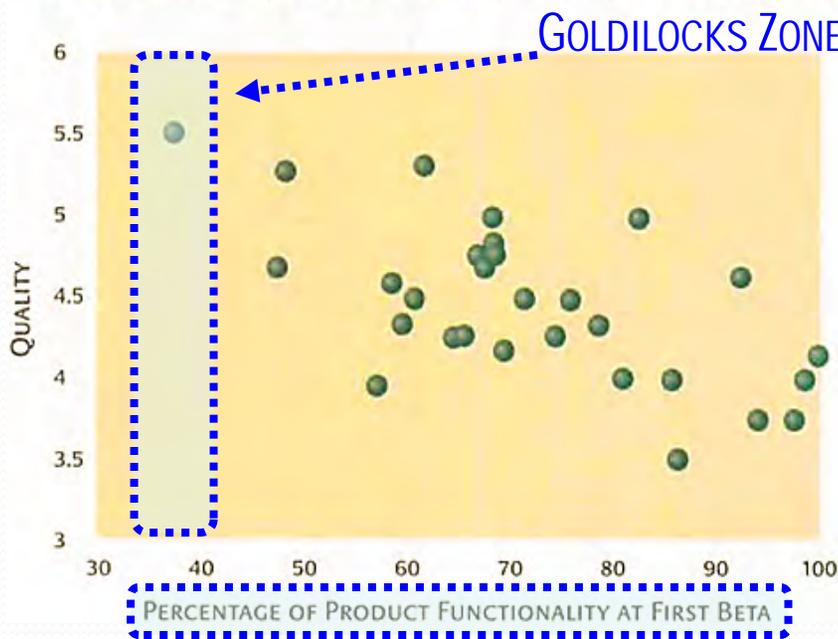
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Incremental Development

- Incremental development improves quality
- Fast feedback cycles also improves quality too
- ☞ □ Perform fast, incrementalism to improve quality

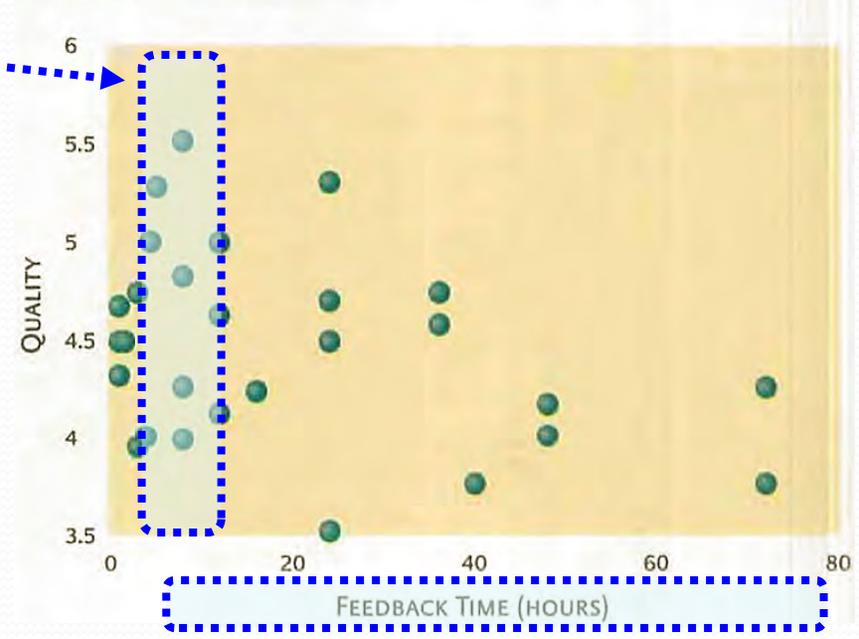
How the Product's Functionality at First Beta Affects Quality

If customers test products early in development, when the products have low functionality, the final products are likely to have higher quality



How Feedback Time Affects Quality

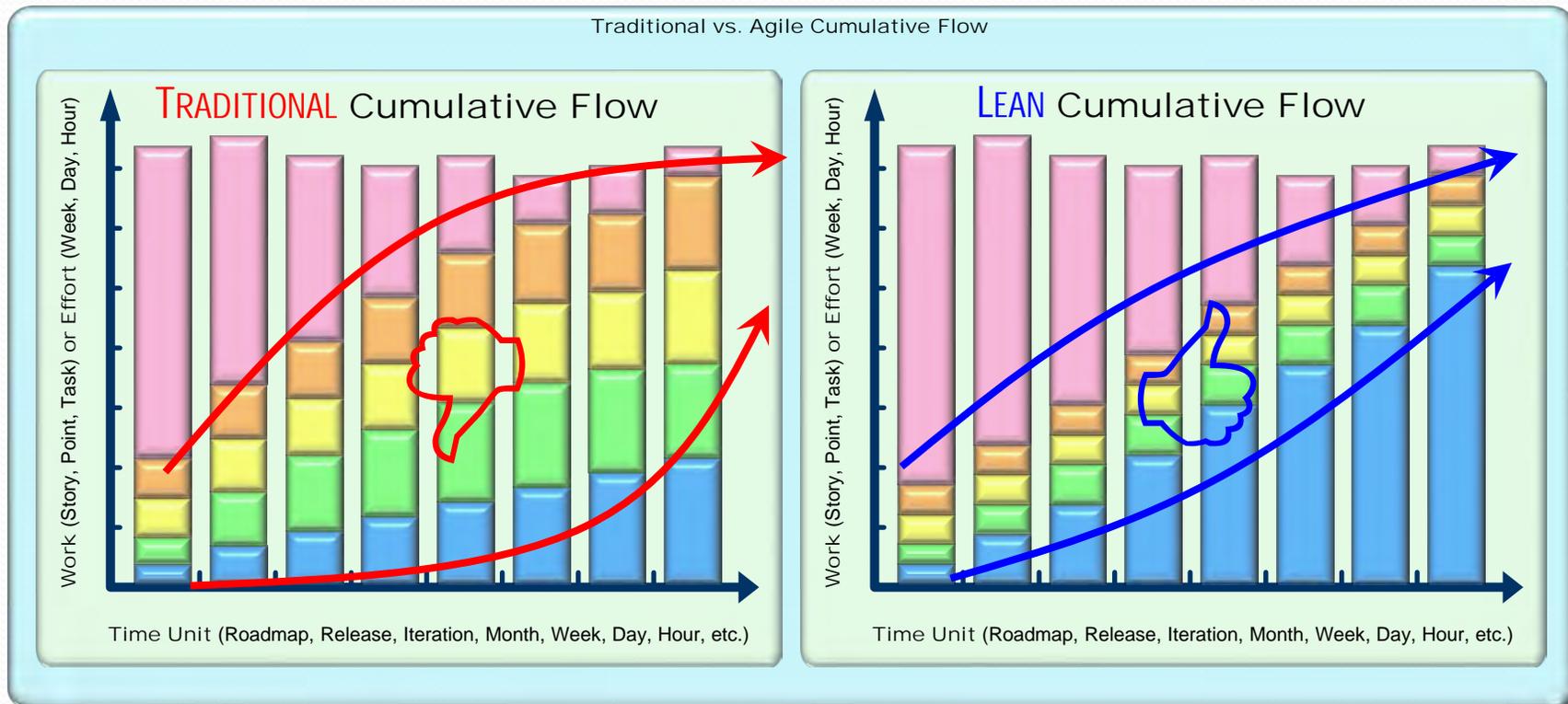
Rapid feedback on changes made to software facilitates better product performance



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Limiting Work in Process (WIP)

- ❑ Late big bang integration increases WIP backlog
- ❑ Agile testing early and often reduces WIP backlog
- ❑ Improves **workflow** and **reduces WIP & lead times**

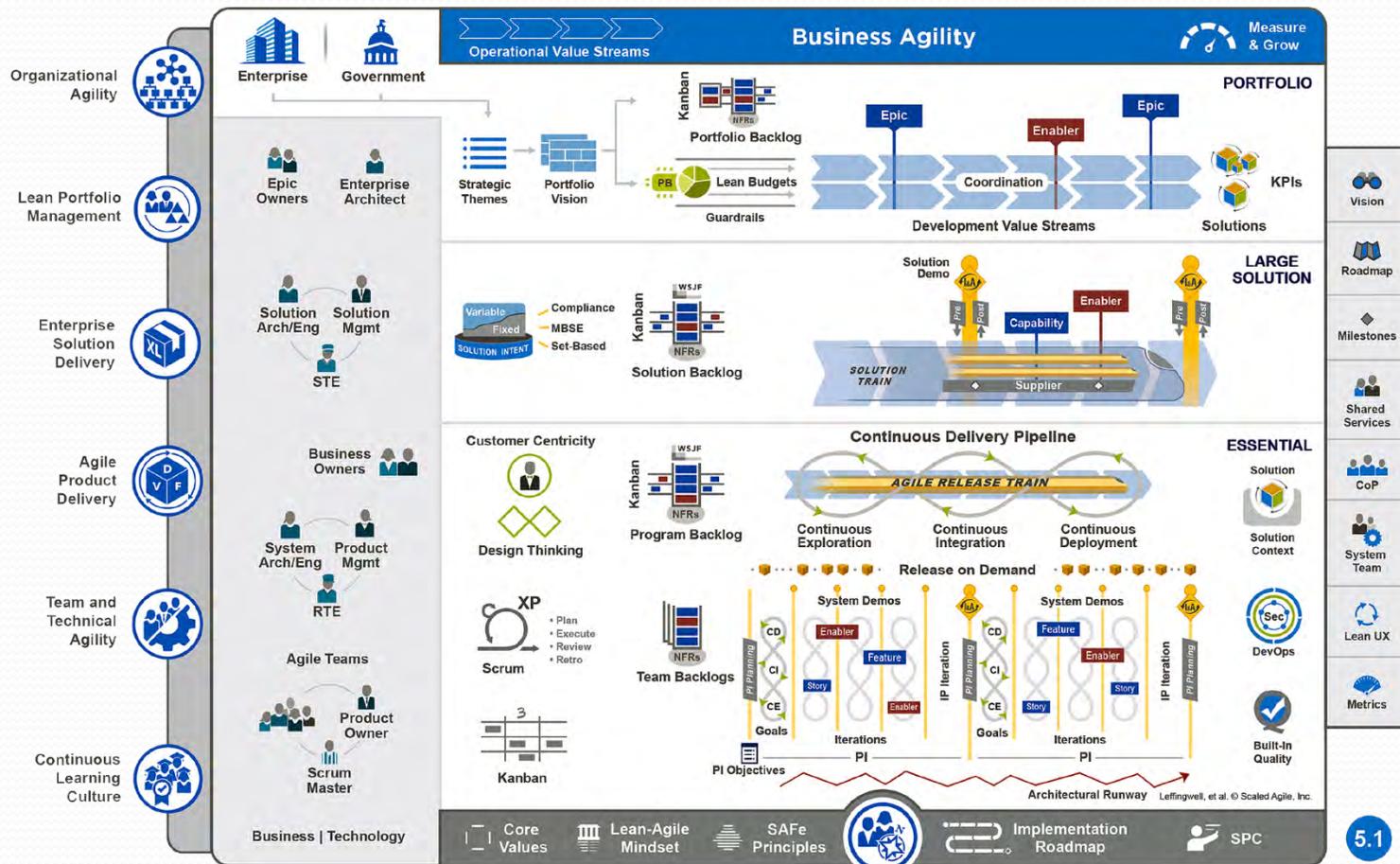


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Lean Enterprise Model—SAFe 5.1

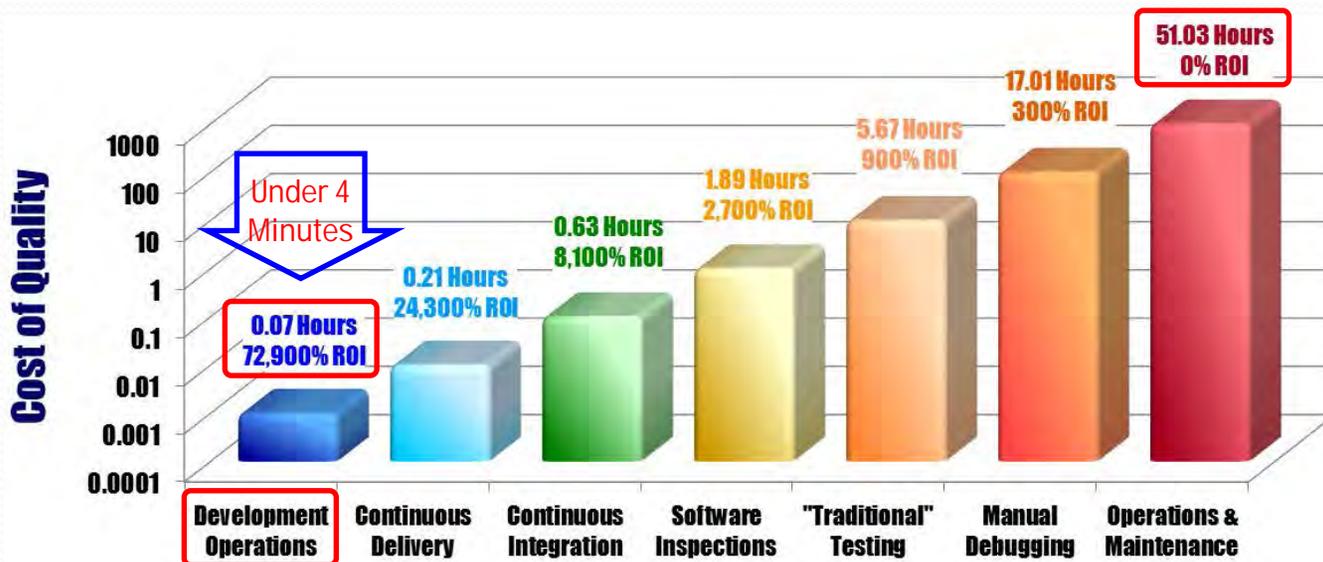
- ❑ Framework by Dean Leffingwell of Rally in 2007
- ❑ Newest version leaner, meaner, lighter, and simpler
- ❑ Lightweight framework for enterprise wide lean thinking



Lean Thinking, DevOps, & Testing

- Fast testing is orders-of-magnitude more efficient
- Based on millions of automated tests run in seconds
- One-touch **auto-delivery** to **billions** of **global** end-users

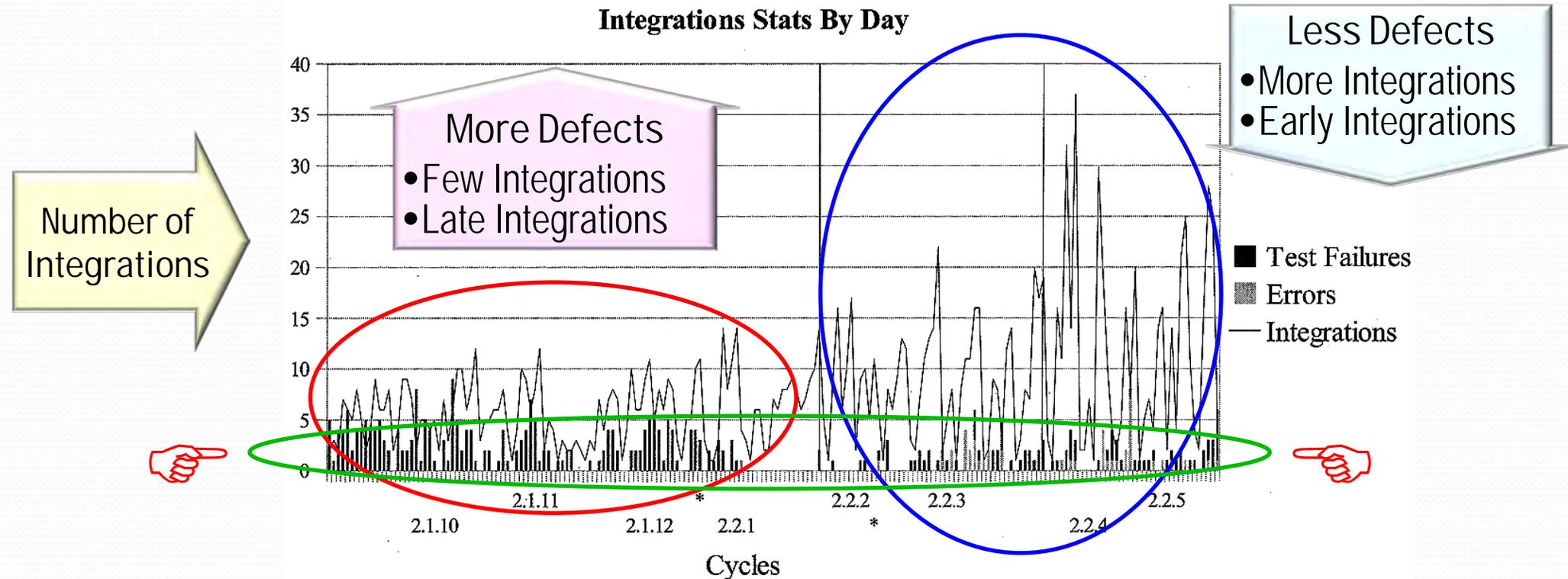
Activity	Def	CoQ	DevOps Economics	Hours	ROI
Development Operations	100	0.001	100 Defects x 70% Efficiency x 0.001 Hours	0.070	72,900%
Continuous Delivery	30	0.01	30 Defects x 70% Efficiency x 0.01 Hours	0.210	24,300%
Continuous Integration	9	0.1	9 Defects x 70% Efficiency x 0.1 Hours	0.630	8,100%
Software Inspections	3	1	2.7 Defects x 70% Efficiency x 1 Hours	1.890	2,700%
"Traditional" Testing	0.81	10	0.81 Defects x 70% Efficiency x 10 Hours	5.670	900%
Manual Debugging	0.243	100	0.243 Defects x 70% Efficiency x 100 Hours	17.010	300%
Operations & Maintenance	0.073	1,000	0.0729 Defects x 70% Efficiency x 1,000 Hours	51.030	n/a



4,500 x Faster than Code Inspections

Lean Thinking & Testing Speed

- Fewer integrations leave in higher bug counts
- Frequent, early integrations eliminate most defects
- Goal is to have as many **early integrations** as **possible**



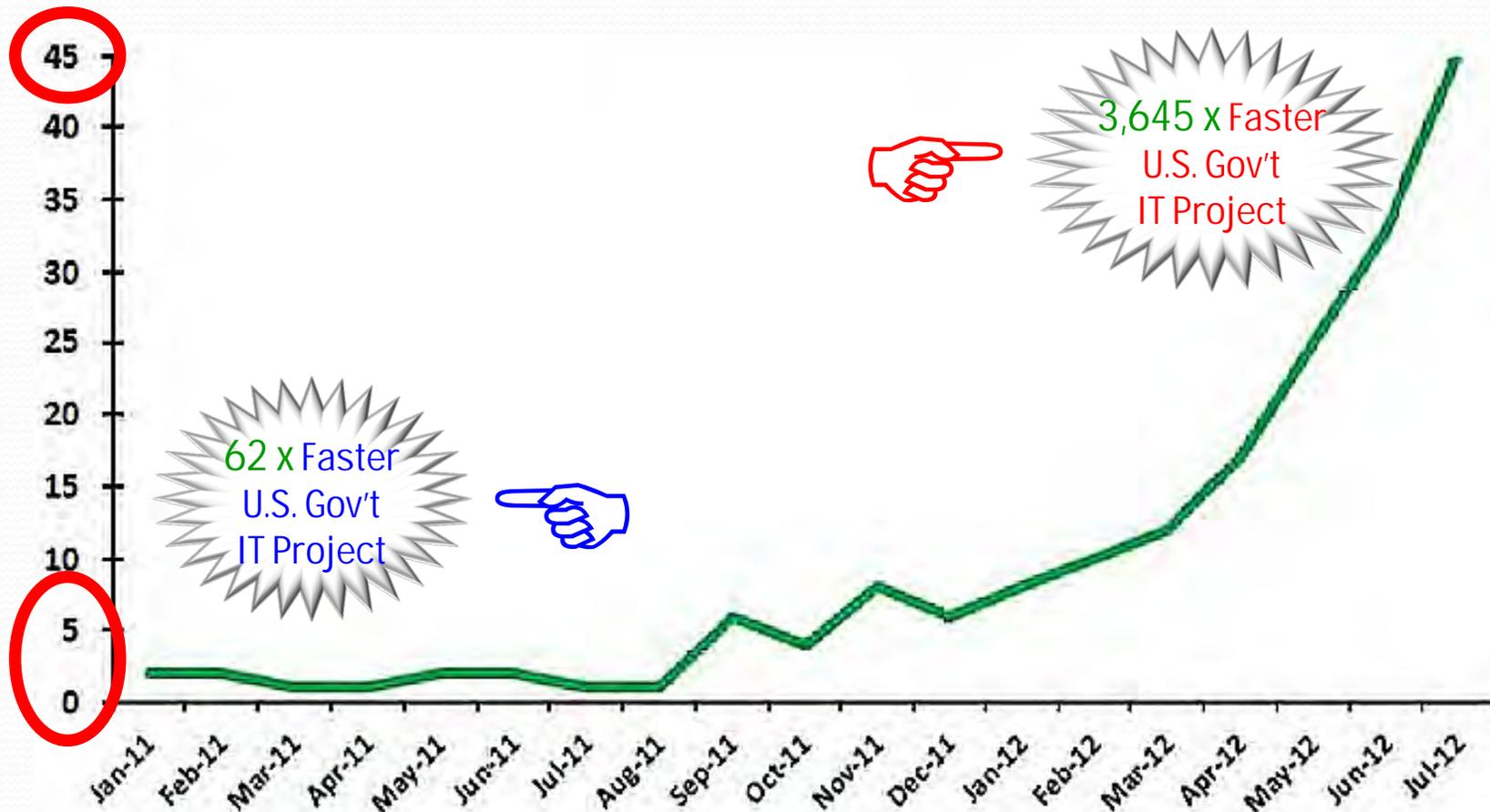
Lean Thinking at HP

- Hewlett-Packard (HP) is major user of lean principles
- 400 engineers developed 10 million LOC in 4 years
- Major gains in **testing**, **deployment**, & **innovation**

TYPE	METRIC	MANUAL	DEVOPS	MAJOR GAINS
CYCLE TIME IMPROVEMENTS	Build Time	40 Hours	3 Hours	13 x
	No. Builds	1-2 per Day	10-15 per Day	8 x
	Feedback	1 per Day	100 per Day	100 x
	Regression Testing	240 Hours	24 Hours	10 x
DEVELOPMENT COST EFFORT DISTRIBUTION	Integration	10%	2%	5 x
	Planning	20%	5%	4 x
	Porting	25%	15%	2 x
	Support	25%	5%	5 x
	Testing	15%	5%	3 x
	Innovation	5%	40%	8 x

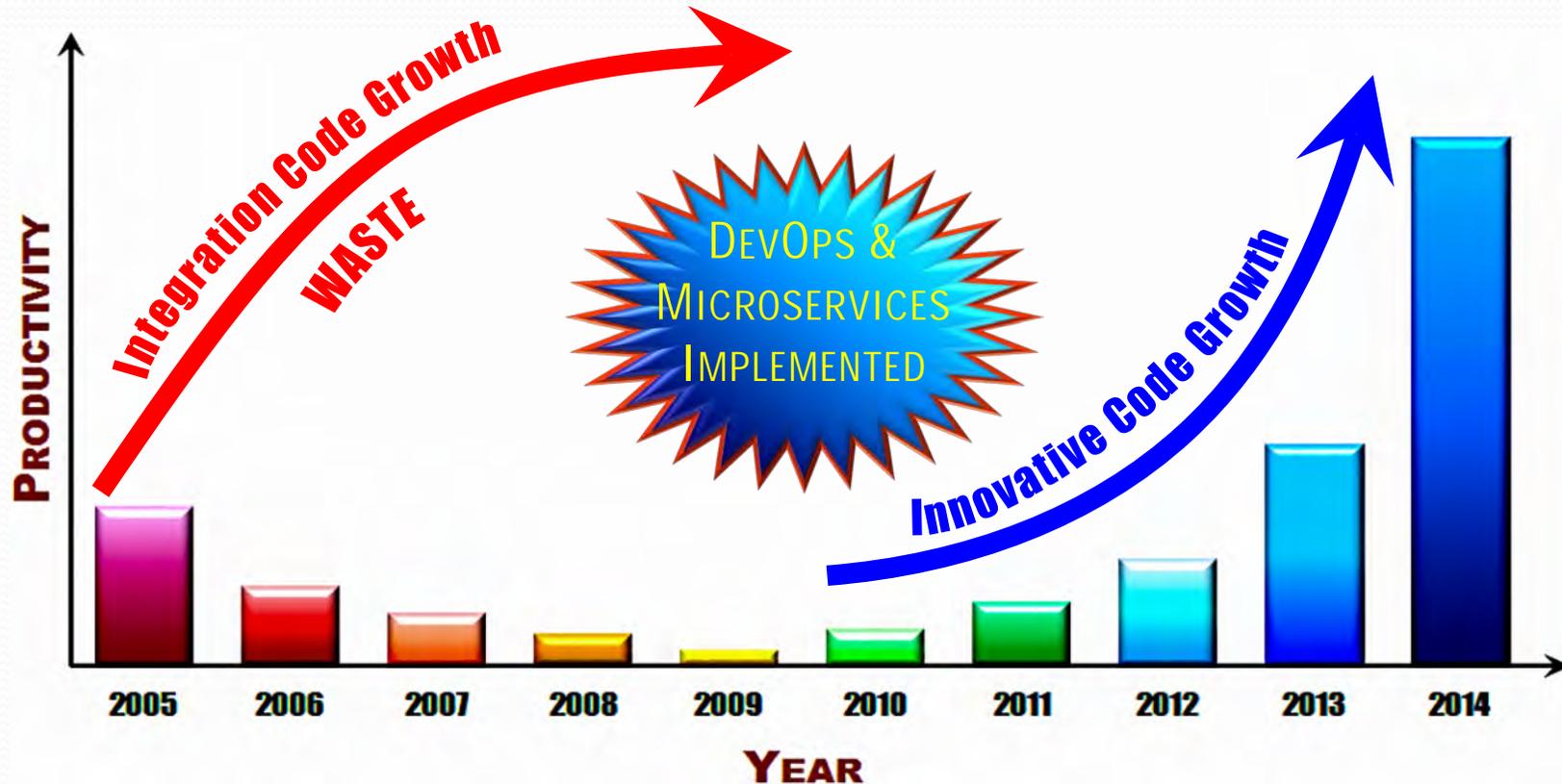
Lean Thinking at Dot Coms

- Assembla went from 2 to 45 releases every month
- 15K Google developers run 150 million tests per day
- 30K+ Amazon developers deliver 136K releases a day



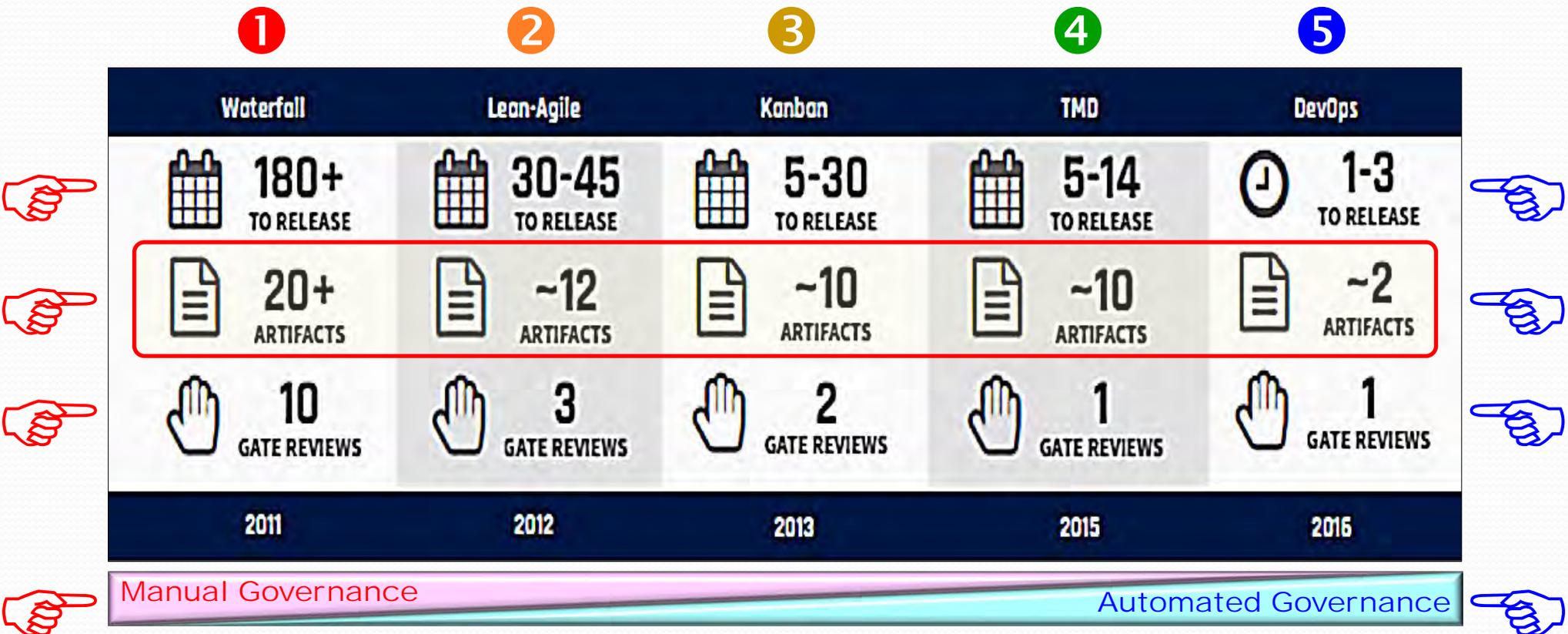
Lean Thinking at Blackboard

- Productivity **STOPS** due to excessive integration
- Implemented **lean thinking principles** around 2010
- ☞ □ Waste elimination, productivity & innovation skyrocket



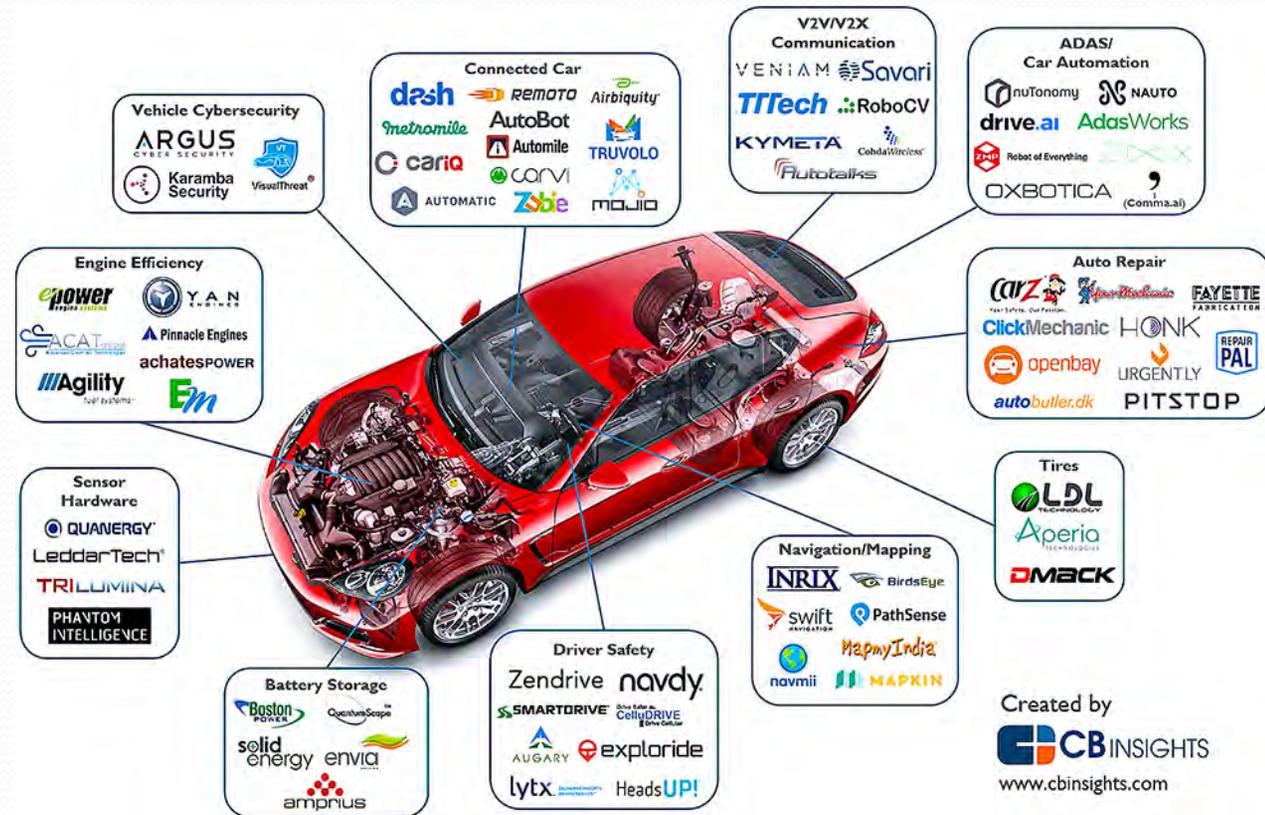
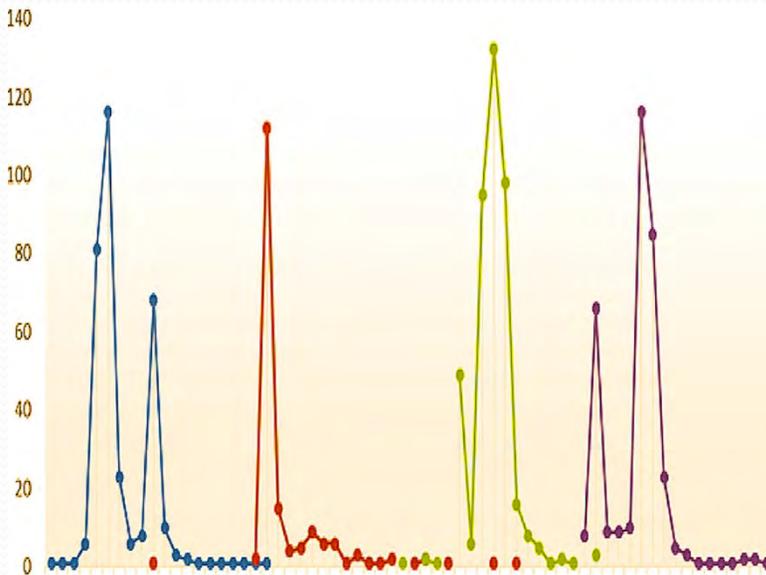
Lean Thinking at U.S. DHS

- 1st gen replete with large portfolios & governance
- 2nd-3rd gen yield minor incremental improvements
- ☞ □ 4th-5th gen enables big order-of-magnitude impacts



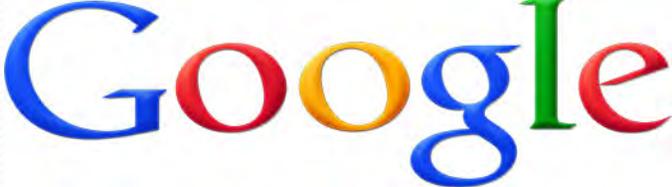
Lean Thinking at Tesla

- ❑ Tesla vehicle models are all electric automobiles
- ❑ Tesla autos have 100-200 million lines of code
- ❑ Tesla performs up to 130 deployments per day



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Lean Thinking on Big IT Portfolios

WHO	RESULTS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ 1 code repository▶ 40,000 commits per day▶ 50,000 builds per day▶ 150 million tests per day
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ 24-day average server age▶ 1 billion metrics per day▶ Self-service deploys▶ Zero downtime
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Everything is monitored▶ Code APIs for everything▶ 136,000 deploys per day▶ Very tiny two-pizza teams
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ \$1 billion annual IT budget▶ 80 deployments per week▶ 17 billion API calls per month▶ Self-service DevOps Dojo training
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ 600 developers▶ One code branch▶ 20,000 tests per commit▶ Every clean build deployed

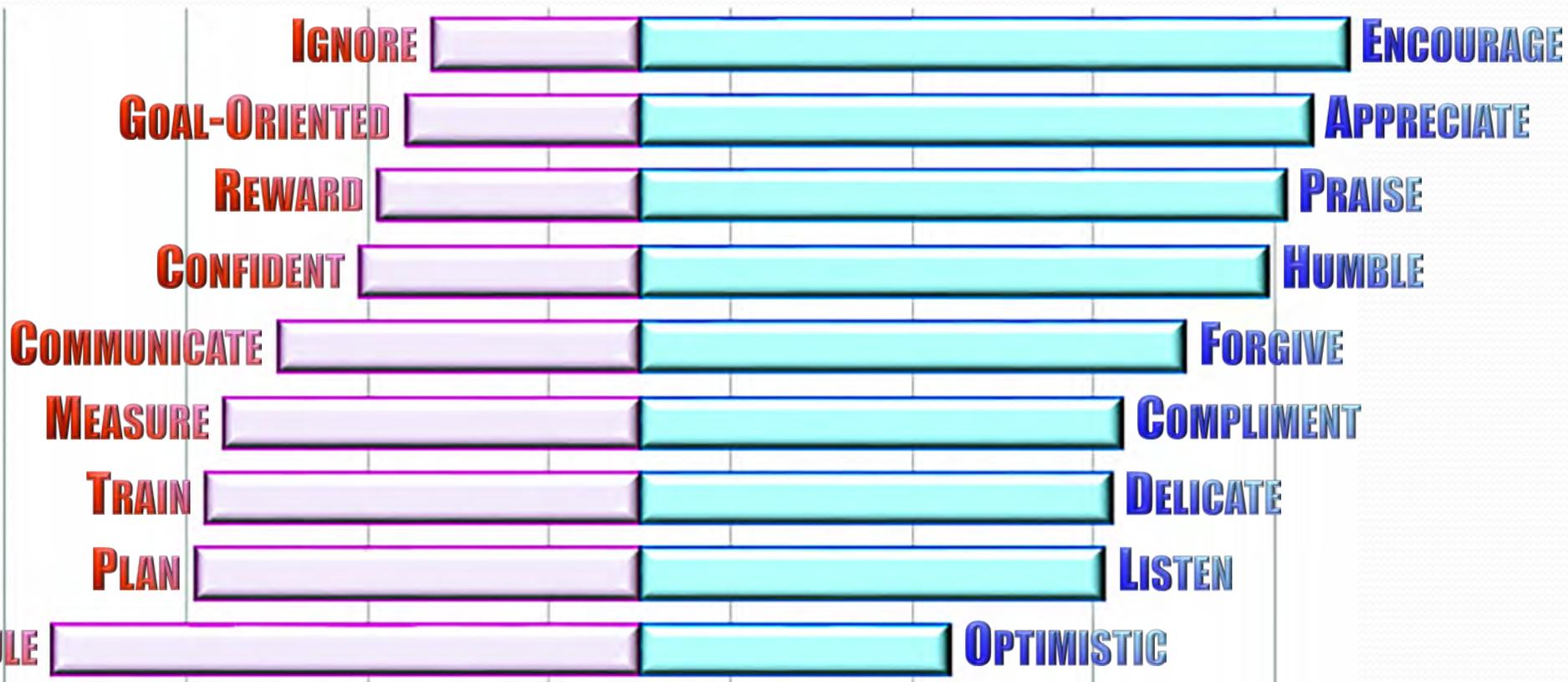
ROI of Lean Thinking

- IT lean thinking economics starting to emerge
- ROI ranges from \$17M to \$195M *with minor costs*
- ☞ □ Benefits from cost savings, revenue, and availability

Org	Low Perf	Med Perf	High Perf
Small - 250 -	\$23M Benefits	\$29M Benefits	\$17M Benefits
	\$0.2M Costs	\$0.2M Costs	\$0.2M Costs
	13,589% ROI	17,799% ROI	9,932% ROI
	<i>3 Day Payback</i>	<i>2 Day Payback</i>	<i>4 Day Payback</i>
Medium - 2,000 -	\$42M Benefits	\$66M Benefits	\$36M Benefits
	\$1.3M Costs	\$1.3M Costs	\$1.3M Costs
	3,101% ROI	4,901% ROI	2,663% ROI
	<i>11 Day Payback</i>	<i>7 Day Payback</i>	<i>13 Day Payback</i>
Large - 8,500 -	\$114M Benefits	\$195M Benefits	\$76M Benefits
	\$5.6M Costs	\$5.6M Costs	\$5.6M Costs
	1,942% ROI	3,375% ROI	1,254% ROI
	<i>18 Day Payback</i>	<i>11 Day Payback</i>	<i>27 Day Payback</i>

Traditional vs. Lean Leaders

- Also compared traditional vs. contemporary attributes
- Older ones based on traditional project management
- ☞ □ Today's leaders encourage, appreciate, and praise



Lean Business Performance

76 vs **38**
Percent Percent

High performers have twice as many successful strategic initiatives vs. low performers

31 vs **9**
Percent Percent

High performers are three times as likely to have high organizational agility

57 vs **28**
Percent Percent

High performers are twice as likely to have high alignment of projects to organizational strategy

Three Strategic Focuses That Drive Organizational Success

PEOPLE



Managing Talent and Change

High performers achieve significantly more successful strategic initiatives by effectively managing their project management talent. Furthermore, they demonstrate successful organizational change management, which is more effective with actively engaged sponsors.

2 times

Twice as many high performers have actively engaged sponsors compared to low performers.

PROCESSES



Project, Program and Portfolio Management Maturity

High-performing organizations fully understand the value of project management, have a project management office (PMO) and use standardized project management practices throughout the organization.

4 times

Four times more high performers have project, program and portfolio management that is highly mature compared to low performers.

OUTCOMES



Benefits Realization

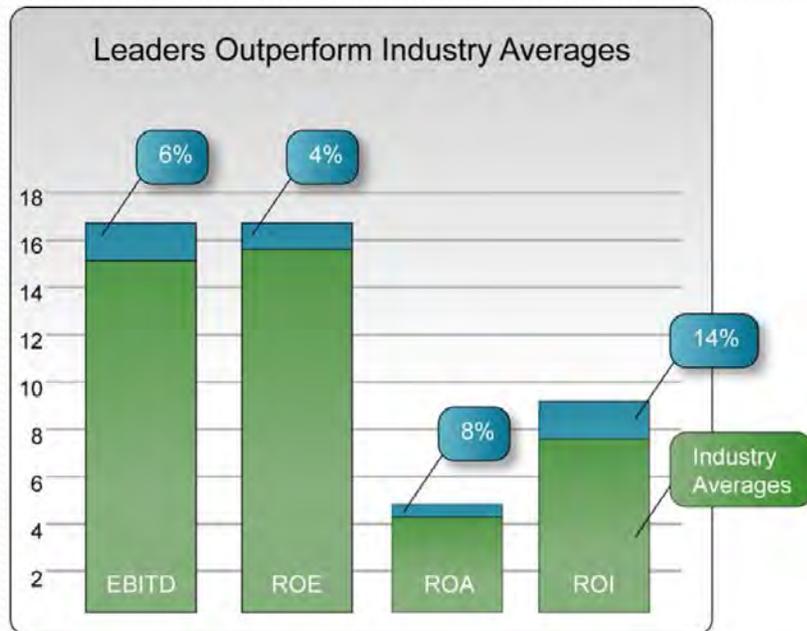
Organizations need to focus on effectively establishing, measuring and communicating the intended benefits of projects and programs.

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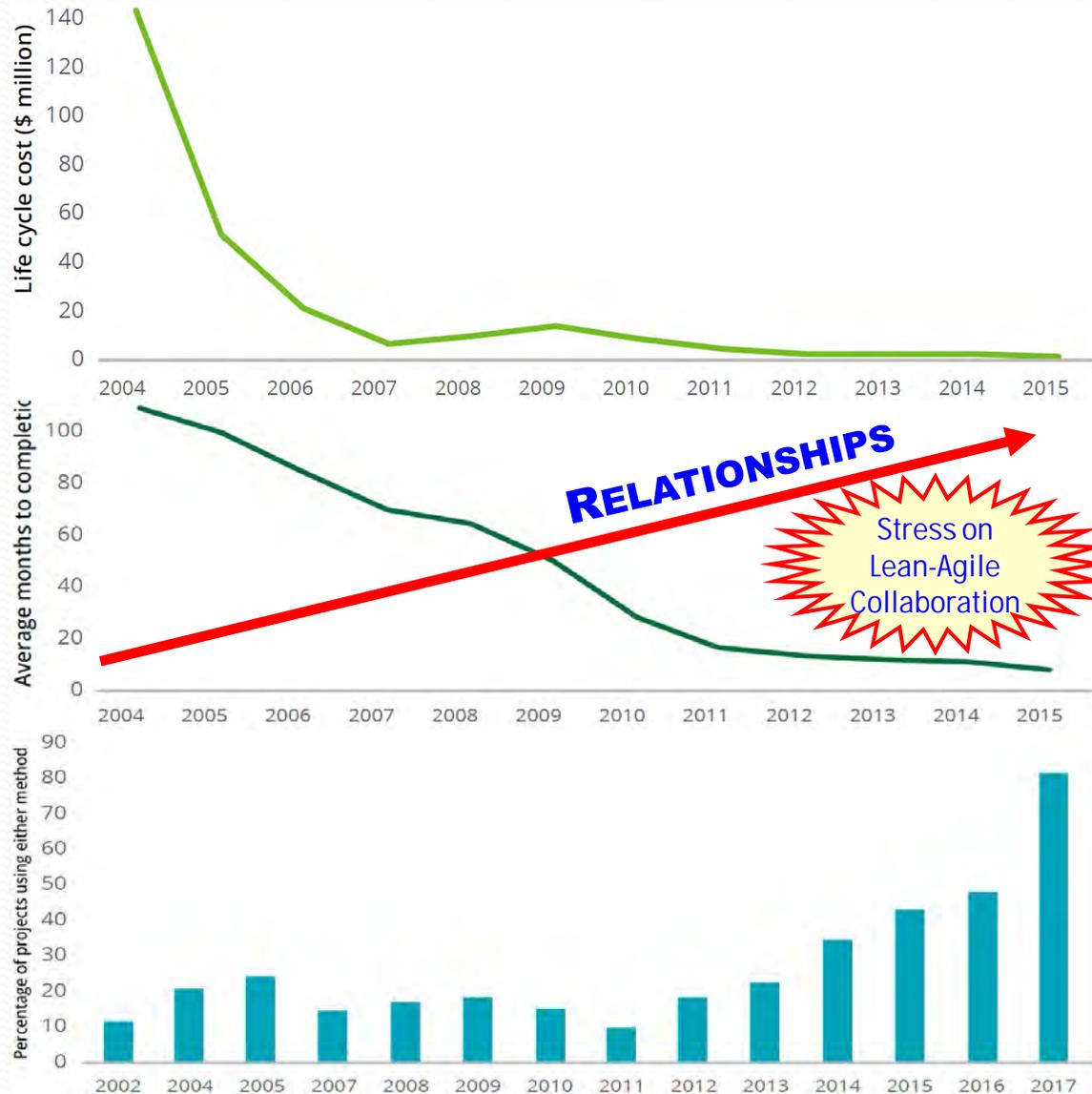
Five times more high-performing organizations have highly mature benefits realization compared to low-performing organizations.

Lean Business Benefits

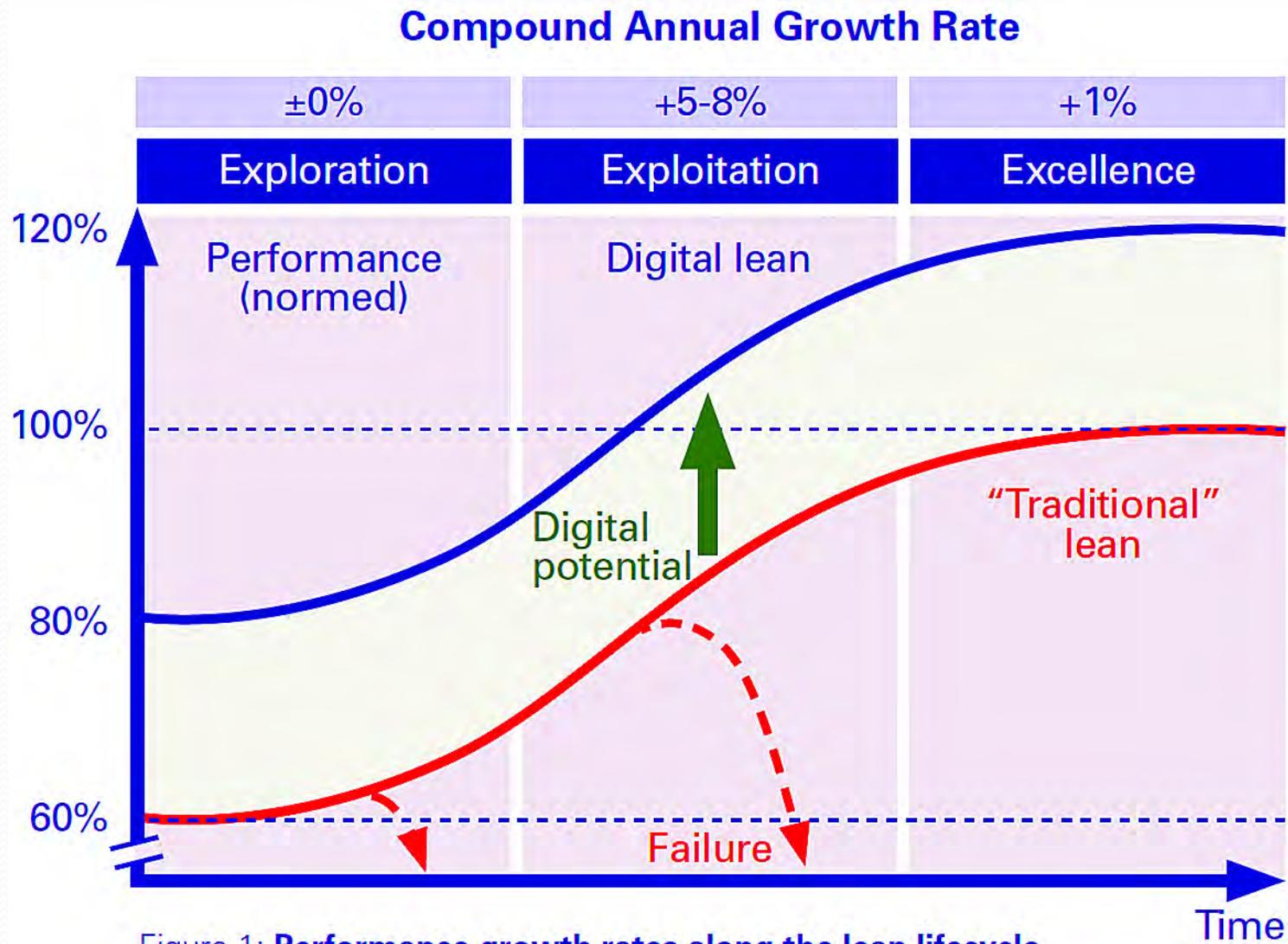
- Study of 15 agile vs. non-agile Fortune 500 firms
- Based on models to measure organizational agility
- ☞ □ Agile firms out perform non agile firms by up to 36%



Lean Government Benefits

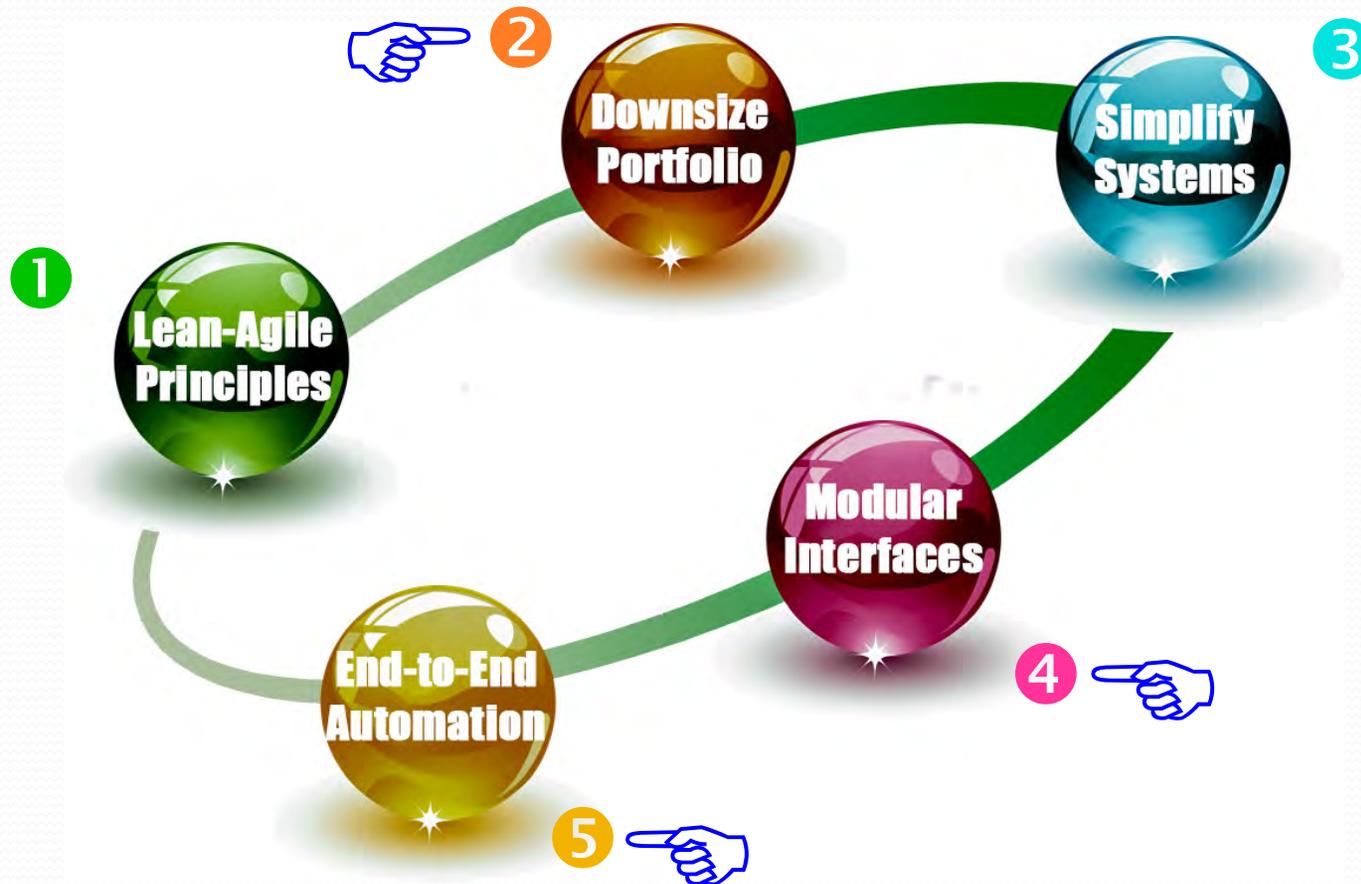


Lean Business Performance



Five Keys to Lean Success

- Everything begins with lean thinking principles
- Next step is smaller portfolios & simpler designs
- Final step is modular interfaces & E2E automation



Lean Thinking Summary

- Lean **DOES NOT** mean deliver it now and fixing it later
- Lightweight, yet disciplined approach to development
- Reduced **cost**, **risk**, & **waste** while **improving quality**

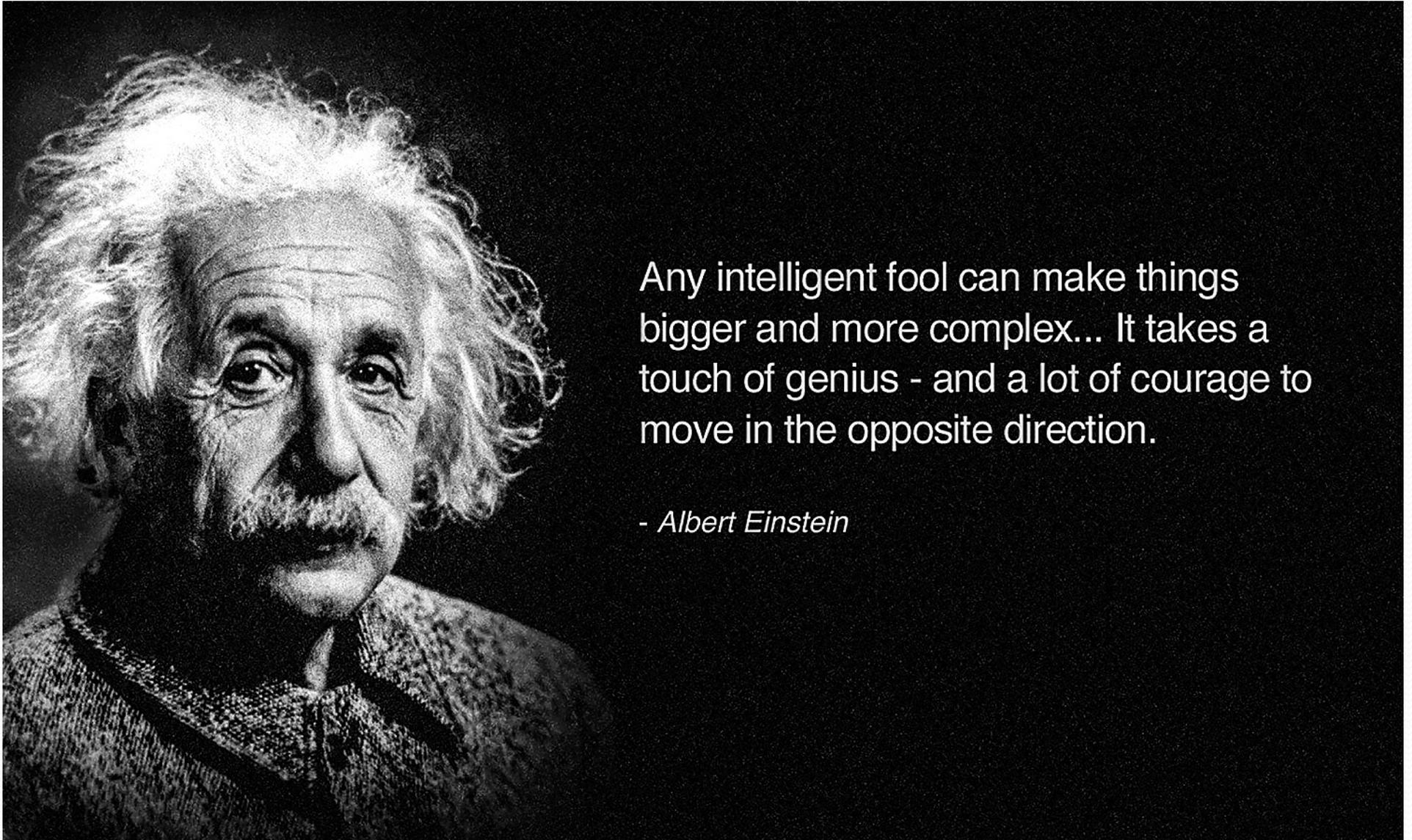
What	How	Result
Flexibility	Use lightweight, yet disciplined processes and artifacts	Low work-in-process
Customer	Involve customers early and often throughout development	Early feedback
Prioritize	Identify highest-priority, value-adding business needs	Focus resources
Descope	Descope complex programs by an order of magnitude	Simplify problem
Decompose	Divide the remaining scope into smaller batches	Manageable pieces
Iterate	Implement pieces one at a time over long periods of time	Diffuse risk
Leanness	Architect and design the system one iteration at a time	JIT waste-free design
Swarm	Implement each component in small cross-functional teams	Knowledge transfer
Collaborate	Use frequent informal communications as often as possible	Efficient data transfer
Test Early	Incrementally test each component as it is developed	Early verification
Test Often	Perform system-level regression testing every few minutes	Early validation
Adapt	Frequently identify optimal process and product solutions	Improve performance

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Albert Einstein on Lean Thinking

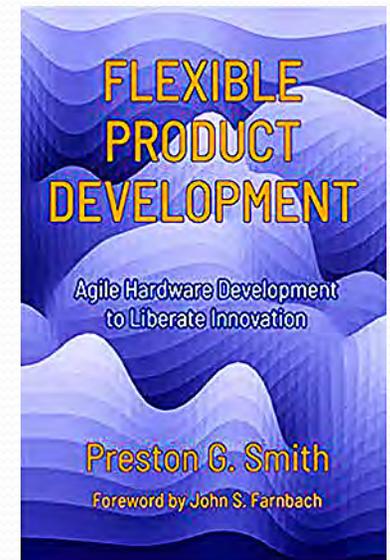
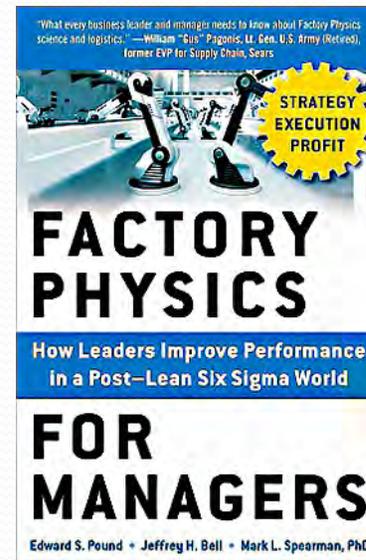
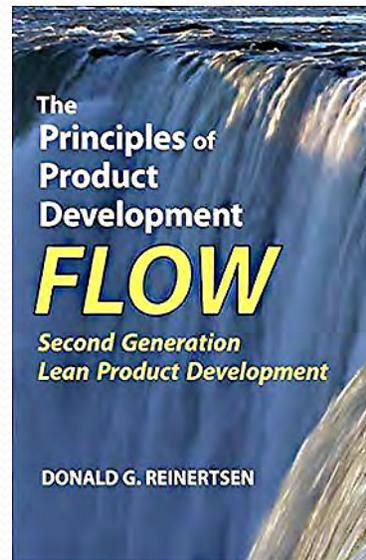
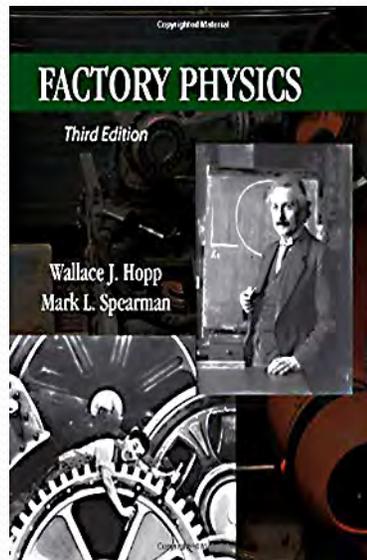
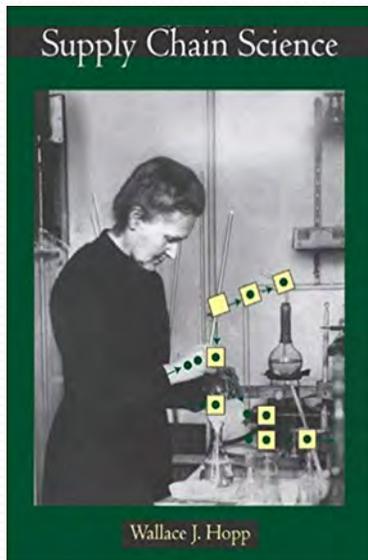


Any intelligent fool can make things bigger and more complex... It takes a touch of genius - and a lot of courage to move in the opposite direction.

- *Albert Einstein*

Lean Thinking Resources

- Guides to lean economics, science, and thinking
- Illustrate key principles of just-in-time supply chains
- ☞ □ Keys to apply lean-thinking at strategic-tactical levels



LEAN THINKING VIDEOS

- <http://davidfrico.com/lean-startup.htm>
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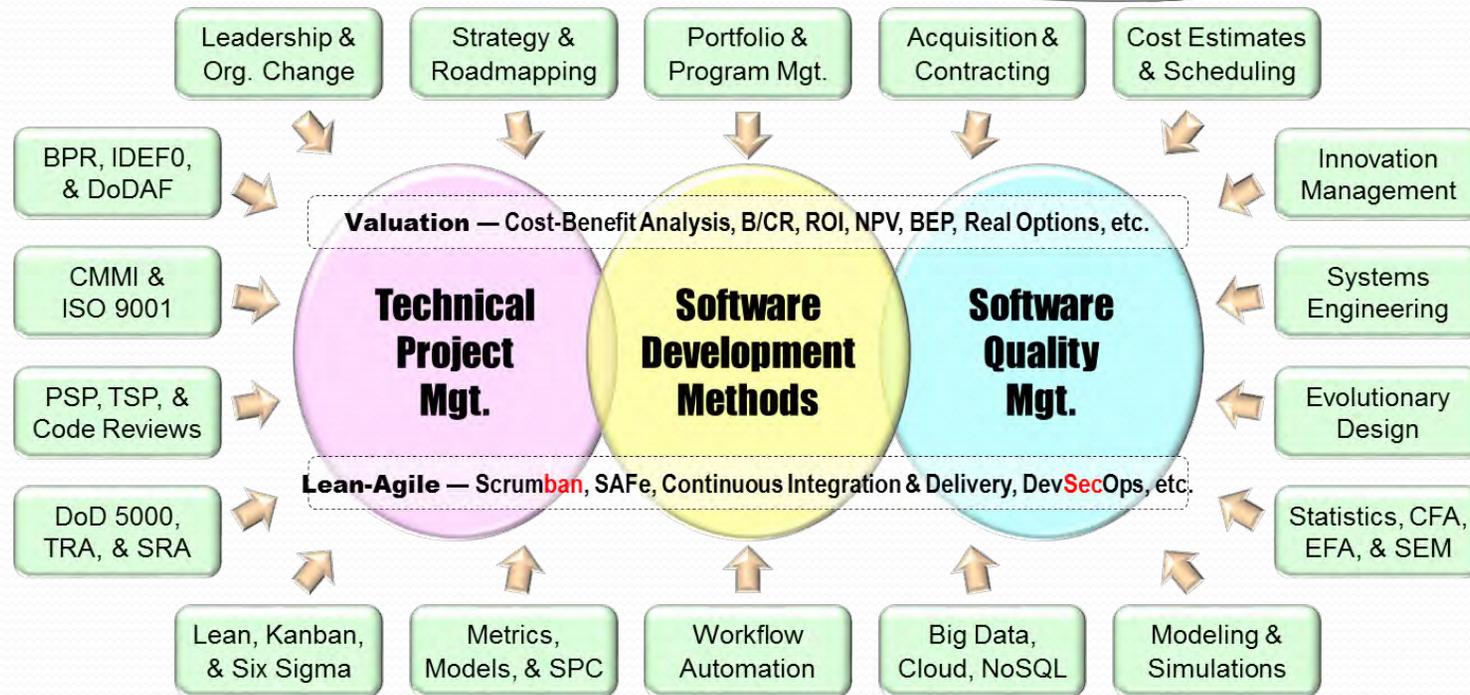
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Dave's Professional Capabilities



Economic Value of Agile Businesses, Enterprises & Organizations - <http://davidfrico.com/value-of-business-agility.pdf>

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