

Driving Value and Performance in Software Investment

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How do you Get Real about your software investment?

- Are you confident that you are getting value out of the investments you have made in software delivery?
- How should you optimize investment in future software delivery efforts?





Are you ready for a *smarter* future?







How much do you annually spend on software delivery?

 For traditional IT organizations, nearly 40% of total spending is for application development and support

Historical IT Spending

For systems organizations, such as aerospace and defense, software content continues to increase significantly over time

Platform	Year	Percent of Specification Requirements Requiring Software Control
F-4	1960	8%
A-7	1964	10%
F-111	1970	20%
F-15	1975	35%
F-16	1982	45%
B-2	1990	65%
F-22	2000	80%

Source: The Australian Software Acquisition Management Course, Defense Systems Management College, March 2000



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Voice Network

Data Center

30 Desktop and Peripherals 11 20 10 21

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2008 Source: Gartner, "IT Spending and Staffing Report, 2009", Michael Smith, Kurt Potter, 27 January 2009

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Much of your investment is trapped in running the business

- 66% of typical spending is dedicated to running the existing business
- Gartner estimates only 15% of a company's annual investment is for transformational initiatives
- How can you optimize spending to *increase the value and performance* of your investments?



Source: Gartner, "IT Spending and Staffing Report, 2009", Michael Smith, Kurt Potter, 27 January 2009





Two ways to drive a better return







Invest across the spectrum of improvement to manage risks and optimize business outcomes



are per person per year





Improve automation to increase productivity by 5%-25% Implement tools to integrate workflows at low cost and with quick payoffs





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Improve collaboration to increase productivity by 15%-35% Implement tools and to leverage skills and improve teamwork





Improve process to increase productivity by 25%-100% Implement iterative / adaptive processes



Organization





Increase flexibility and value to deliver 2x - 10x productivity

Implement an enterprise architecture and reusable Web services



Source: Standard Life Inc. from 2009 Impact Conference.



Business



Achieve continuous improvement by measuring cost against business outcomes







Software engineering metrics must align with desired business outcomes

Control

- Address the risks of development
 - Perceived quality
 - Scope uncertainty
 - Security failure
 - Failing an audit

Efficiency

- Address development as a cost center
 - Productivity
 - Software engineering base quality
 - Process agility
 - Global collaboration platform

Value

- Address development as a value creation center
- Foster innovation and reuse across organizational and geographical boundaries
- Enterprise application modernization
- Speed merger and acquisition absorption
- Reduce traditional development in favor of smart package software integration and SOA





Drive Cost Reduction and Business Transformation through Measured Capability Improvement Framework

Empower teams to measure, manage, and incrementally improve their software delivery capability

- MCIF is a phased approach that helps teams
 - Adopt an incremental, measured approach to transformation
 - Focus on the core practices that matter most
 - Accelerate adoption through out-of-the-box assets
 - Articulate capability improvements in terms of business value
 - Support any method optimized for Agile practices







However, continuous process improvement is impossible without honest measures and governed controls



"2/3 of executives make more than half of their decisions based on 'gut feel' <i>rather than verifiable information"



"77% of managers are aware of **bad decisions** made due to lack of access to accurate information"

"Poor decisions have generated revenue 75% or more below expectations"

Lack of timely information and in-context insight

Disparate data sources, formats, and definitions Lack of relevant, timely actionable information Inability to baseline and benchmark status and progress Inability to measure and assess unobtrusively

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Fransform From Cost Center to Business Value Driver

Business

Value

Business Optimization

Information as a Strategic Asset

5X more value realized by organizations using information effectively ³

Data to Automate the Business

Maturity of Information Use

³ IBM Global CFO Study, 2006



We Need Effective Information From Proper Metrics **Communicated Back to the Business**





Challenge: Contradictions Result From the Quest for Information

Product

Profitability
Distributed and
Outsourced Development

Information Volume Silos & Variety

Workforce Optimization Business

Velocity

Enterprise Alignment

Product Variance

And Health

52% of users don't have confidence

in their information¹

59% of managers

miss

information

they should have used²

42% of managers

use wrong

information

at least once a week²



The State of Software Measurement - Today

Fortune 500 companies with productivity measures:	30%
Fortune 500 companies with quality measures:	45%
Fortune 500 companies with complete measures:	15%
Fortune 500 companies with missing measures:	85%
Number of software measurement personnel:	5,500
Number of software projects measured:	160,000
Number of software projects not measured:	50,000,000
Capers Jones	





Is the State of Measuring REALLY the problem?

Companies that	measure:	Companies that don't:		
On-time projects:	75%	On-time projects:	45%	
Late projects:	20%	Late projects:	40%	
Cancelled projects	: 5%	Cancelled projects:	15%	
Defect removal:	> 95%	Defect removal:	Unknown	
Cost estimates:	Accurate	Cost estimates:	Optimistic	
User satisfaction:	High	User satisfaction:	Low	
Software status:	High	Software status:	Low	
Staff morale:	High	Staff morale:	Low	
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Software Productivity Research (2007)





Maybe We Should Blame the Project Managers?

Less than 25% of project managers have formal training

Less than 20% of project managers have access to cost / project estimating tools.

Less than 10% of project managers have access to validated historical data - Softwate Productivity Research (2008)





How about "lesser known" Metrics?

□ WSR (Work-to-Sleep Ratio) **DODO (Days On per Day Off) HBT (Handbasket Temperature)** GALB (Going-Away-Lunch Budget) or GAAB (Going Away-Alcohol-**Budget**) **Dilbert Barometer** The Laugh Meter

- Martin L. Shoemaker



Beware of Hazardous Metrics

Cost per Defect (Penalizes quality)

Lines of Code (Ambiguous)

Cost per Line of Code (Penalizes new languages)

Lines of Code per Month (Ignores non-code work)

Staff Work Hours per month (Ignores non-work tasks)

Industry averages (Vague and ambiguous)

- Capers Jones

Measurements must be SMART (Simple, Measurable, Actionable, Realistic, and Timely)





Software engineering metrics that measure absolutes can provide the wrong incentives to your team





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Then How Do We Succeed Using Measurement?

Fill in the blank. "The measurement _

... is **meaningful** and potentially **benefits** the customer, manager and performer.

...supports a **direct link** between assessments and quantitative data.

...explains **why projects vary** and by how much.

... is supported by automation.

...**supports multiple kinds** of software, metrics, activities and deliverables.

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...demonstrates **quantifiable correlation** between process perturbations and business performance (e.g. it is as accurate as financial data)

... is a **natural by-product** of the process (no night job).

"Organizations exercising world-class performance management practices enjoy market returns of 2.4 times that of typical companies"

> BusinessWeek Study: The Payoff of Pervasive Performance Management





Measurement is Difficult Amongst the Chaos



test script SNAPSHOT development assets Demo image





To achieve the right measures, a control framework enables each organization to drive to desired business outcomes

- Decision maker sets and manages business objectives
 - Reduce costs
 - Increase market share
 - Improve customer satisfaction
- Monitor drives operational performance initiatives aligned with business objectives
 - Manage and optimize resources
 - Develop transparently
 - Implement test driven development
- Team executes practices mapped to operational objectives
 - Build management and health
 - Automated testing
 - Iteration velocity
 - Requirements traceability







The measures need to be established at the business, operational, and practice levels

- Business value
 - Return on Investment (ROI)
 - Return on Assets (ROA)
 - Profit

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- Operational objectives
 - Productivity
 - Time to market
 - Quality
 - Predictability
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- Practice-based control measures
 - Test Management: Defect density, test coverage
 - Iterative Development: Velocity, iteration burn down
 - Continuous integration: Build stability, build frequency









Bottom Line: You Need a Control Framework to Manage to Expected Business Results







Four fundamentals for implementing a control framework

 System definition: A discriminating ALM system for linking, tracing and accessing information across your SDLC

measuring and reporting throughout the ent

3. Interpretation: A capability to interpret your measures correctly and accurately the health of your development practices

 Operations: 'Guidance in define the right actions, workfloves and policies to improve your measured results and be compliant.



A Discriminating System Lets You Measure, Assess and Improve Information Blind

Improving



Assessing

Where You Are **Productivity Rates Quality Levels**

Why You Are **Process Assess Product Health**

Quantitative and Qualitative Data Information Gaps



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Change & Rational Configuration **Definition &** Management Management



Quality Management

Build & Release

Architecture Security Management &

Management Software Lifecycle Artifacts



Compliance

Data

Headcount Project

Sales





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Customer

Support Data

Manual

Financials Pipeline 3rd Party Data Artifacts





Defining a best practice..

"The likelihood of delivering a product on time with budge, with acceptable revenue or benefits and an acceptable level of support

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The definition points us to what we need to

- Time to complete
- Cost to complete
- Expected revenue/benefits
- Expected support and ownership costs

 The other indicators (expected effort, probability of on-time completion and percent complete) can be driven from these





And more specifically...

The indicators that impact time to complete –

- Critical situations
- Defect dersity/sevenit_analysis
- Defect repair latency
- Build health
- Velocity
- IPD timeliness
- Iteration status
- Variance in time-to-complete estimates by task

The indicators that impact cost to complete –

- Staffing actuals vs. plan (is also an indicator of project size)
- Capital expense actuals vs. plan
- Earned value

The indicators that impact expected revenue / benefits -

- Benefits of requirements
- Benefits of demonstrable capabilities by iteration (hereinon status
- Benefits of RFE 30/90-d2 y

The indicators that impact expected support and ownership costs –

- APAR backlog
- RFE 30/90-day SLA
- Build health
- Time-to-resolution for internally-found defects and APARs

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Best Practice Interpretation: Project Health

Metric	Weight	Source	Measure	
Defect Backlog	10		t 3 Months	
Enhancement SLA	10	RFE Website	60 Days	
Cost of Support		Analysis	25% Total	
	05	Support DB	<1 Month	
Defect Density	10	Analysis	By component	Project
Defect Repair Latency	05	The second	product maturity —	Health
Build Health	50	100 A	Clean	
Project Velocity	51	10 mg	Better than Average	
Staffing Actuals		Financials	10% Variance	
Process Timeliness	0 5-	Process DB	<10% off plan	
Milestone Statue	14	Agile Planner	90% of plan	-
Severity Analysis	30 20	Analysis	Depends on timeframe —	-





Now that we see how to measure software investment, the benefits of a software delivery platform becomes clear







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