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Experiences with Agile Requirements @ Scale

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Smarter software for a smarter planet.



#### Who we are

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What we're going to talk about

The 'traditional' view

Challenges @ scale

Agile RUP

Agile requirements @ scale

Conclusion





#### The 'traditional' view







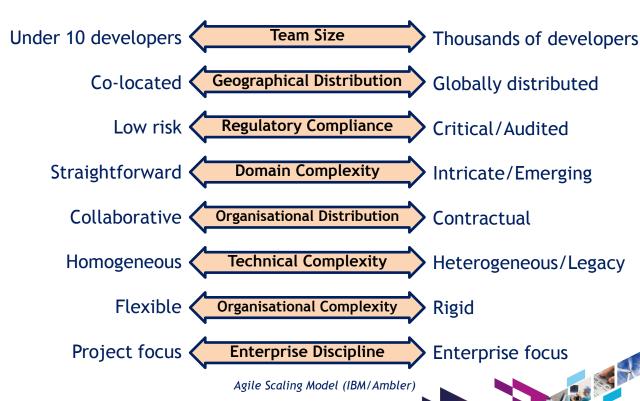
## The Capgemini experience





## Challenges @ scale





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## Large Requirements Set

Thousands of stories?

**Prioritisation** 

Mental limits





Large teams

How to subdivide?

How to collaborate?

How to manage knowledge?





## Location, location

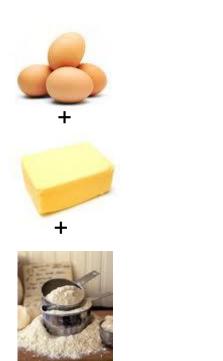
- Geographic separation
- Culture and Context

Time zones





## Agile RUP

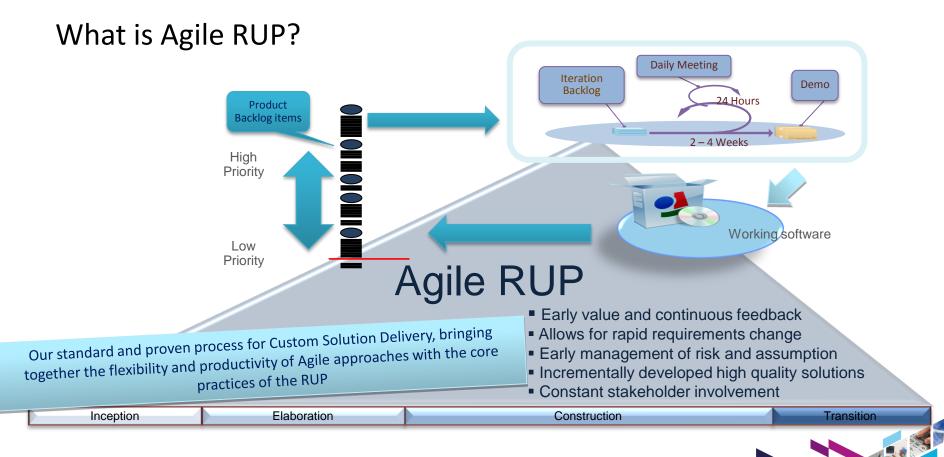














## Analyst mindset



{Noun}: a set of beliefs or a way of thinking that determines one's behaviour, outlook and mental attitude





## Generalising specialists





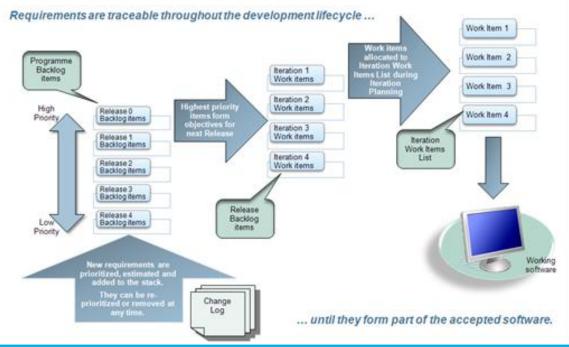
## Embracing change





## Requirements @ Scale

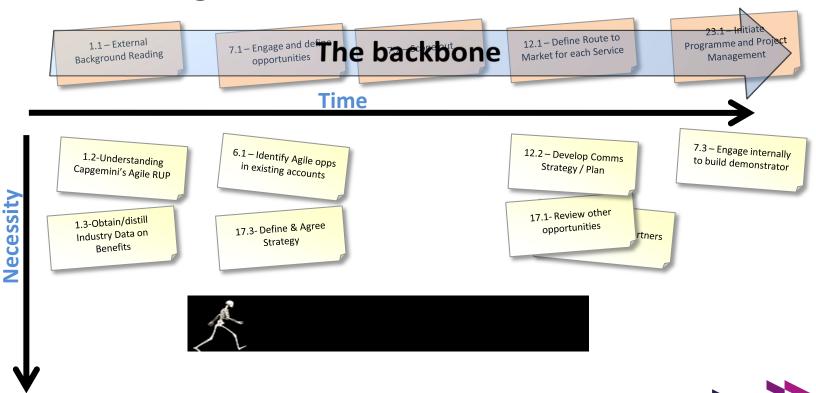
The Backlog items are mapped to the client requirements and used to perform iteration planning





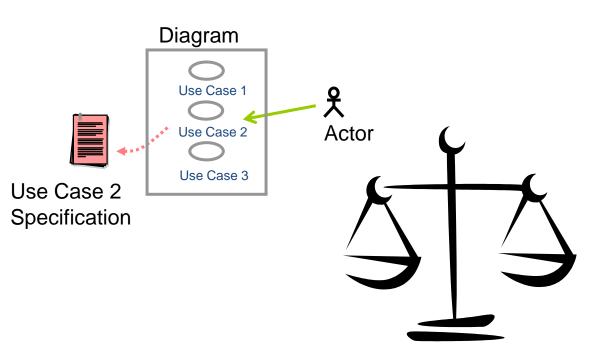


# The walking skeleton





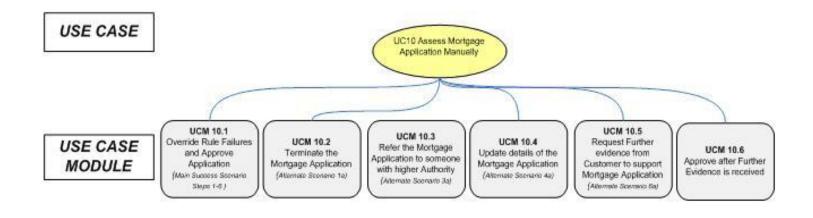
#### Use cases vs. user stories



"As a <type of user>, I want <some goal> [so that <some reason>]." [Optional]



#### Use case modules





## Identifying use case modules

Identify key scenarios – those associated with the highest risks.

Group flows with similar themes.

Identify Test Conditions and allocate to Use Case Modules.

Ensure that the Use Case Modules are sized to fit into an Iteration. Use Case Modules should be flexible enough to be split up if too big or combined to create sensibly sized work items. Thus, a simple Use Case may be split into the following Use Case Modules:

Main success scenario and functional Test Conditions

Main flow with specified alternate scenarios and functional Test Conditions

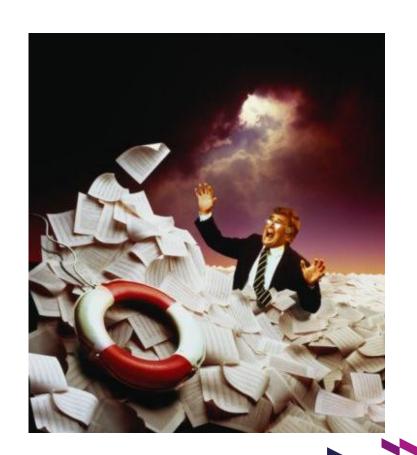
Performance and stress Test Conditions for Main flow





#### Level of documentation

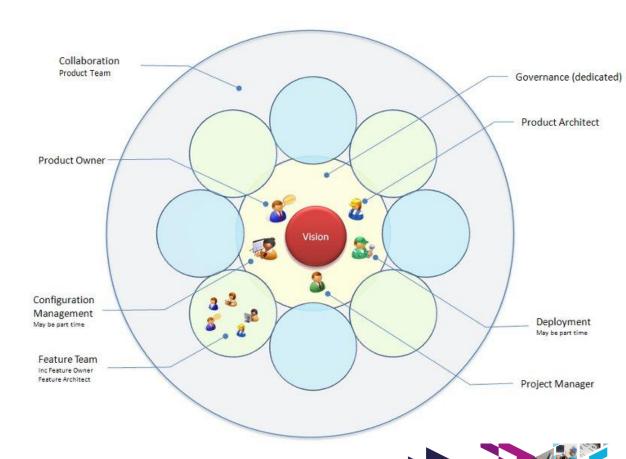
Just enough, just in time





Scaling teams

Organise by features
Governance
Support



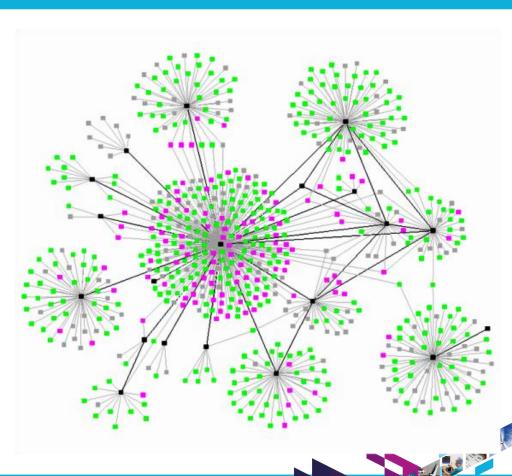


Distribution

Communicate – by all possible means

Get a travel budget

Don't forget Context





## So how was it for our analysts?

I'm not sure what this means for my deliverables. Do I still need to produce definitive Use cases and get them signed off?

Do I need to write-up detailed features/modules as well? If so, how will I get this done while also supporting the feature teams?

And I want to be an Analyst not a Tester.

I'll need a reasonable view of requirements
before entering the
Iteration – but I like being able to refine some of
the details once we get started. The users love
it – and this really helps me in getting quick
decisions and clarifications. Doing
some testing works better than I feared.
Everybody helped out to
achieve our goals, and there
was a tremendous team spirit.

**Before** 







### Conclusion

















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