

Agile Engineering

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'UN-Common Sense'. Live
event

A 15-minute introduction
to a discussion with

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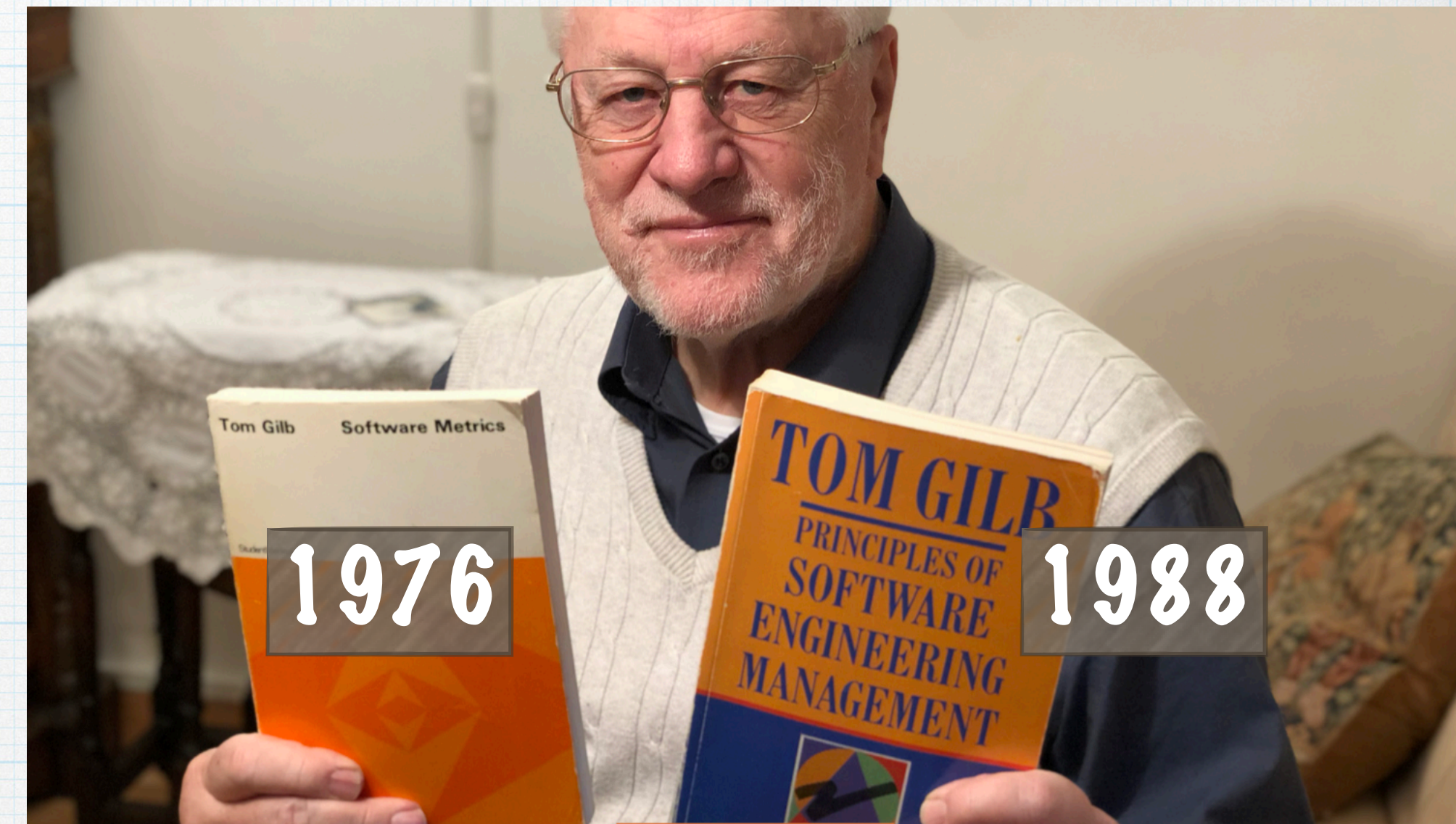
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<https://tinyurl.com/AgileEngineering>



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Tom with Early
Agile
Engineering
Books

Agenda: 1 minute each

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Here are pdfs with free links to my Value Agile Stuff: "Gilb Agile Library"

Books, Papers, Slides, Video Interviews, Training Course Videos, Conference Presentations, and Historical Contributions and recognition

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/wcl343wcopg2z7v/AAA2-Lk6mkaq1nWyT0TrLwjda?dl=0>



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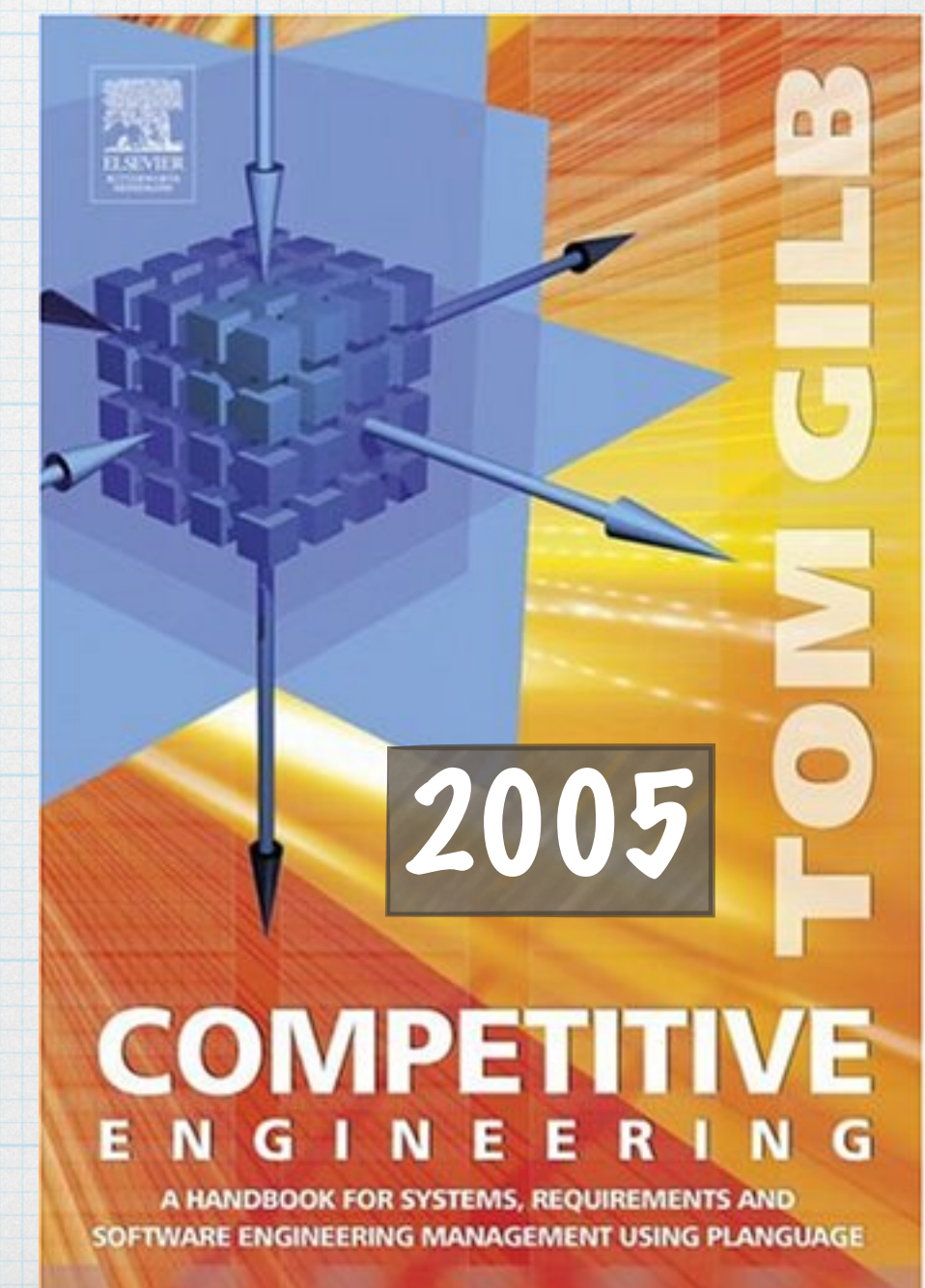
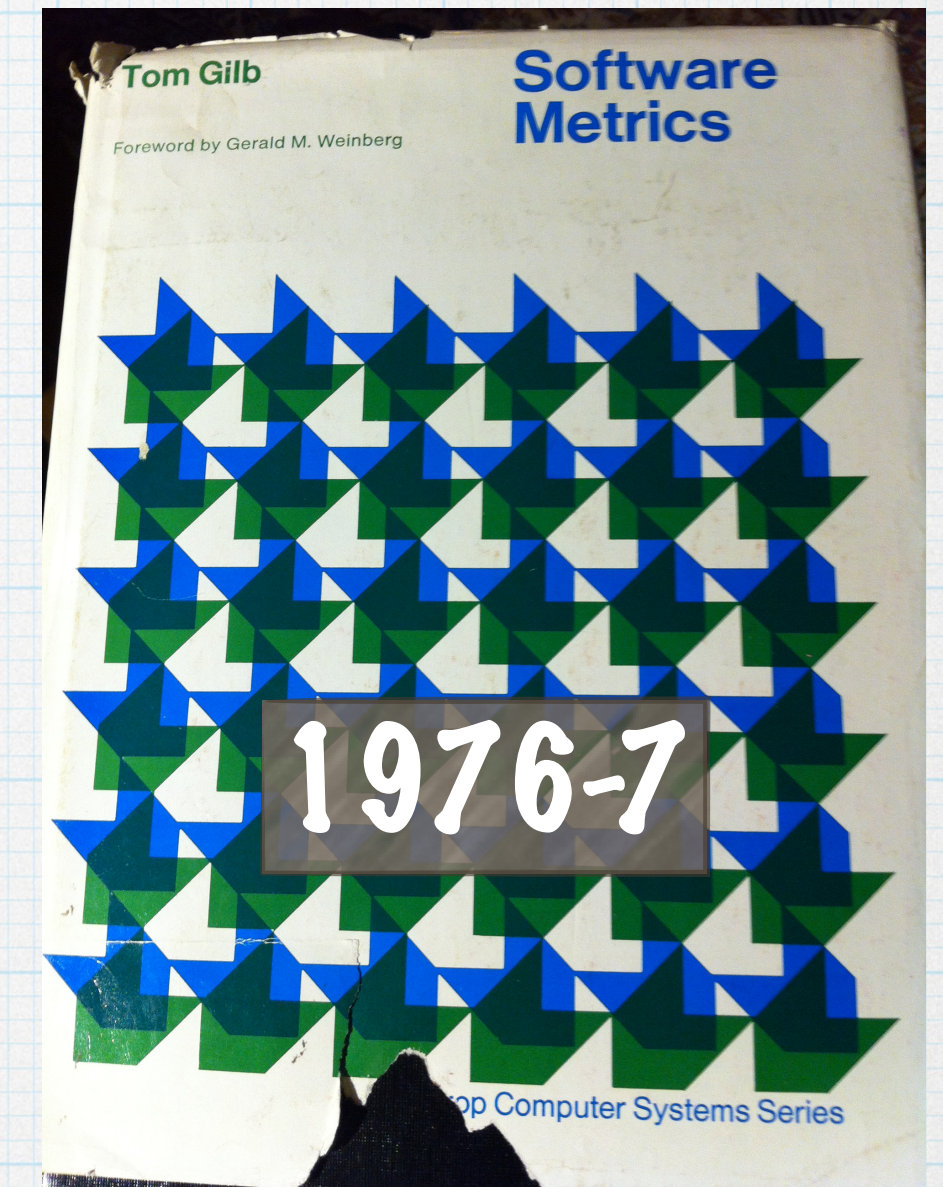
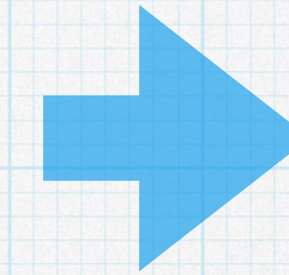
On step-results measurement, and retreat (=‘agile’) possibility

'A complex system will be most successful if it is implemented in small steps and if each step has a clear measure of successful achievement as well as a "retreat" possibility to a previous successful step upon failure.'

(p. 214), **Software Metrics 1976-7.**

See Slide Presenter Note for more detail, or ask me tom@Gilb.com

I was 35 years old when this was published. I had 16 years ‘**agile**’ (or ‘Evo’, ‘deliver value to stakeholder in small increments, measure value and retreat if necessary’) experience by then (from 1960 Dobloug Case, and UiOslo Publisher/Admin (1968) etc).



Tough Questions for Agilistas

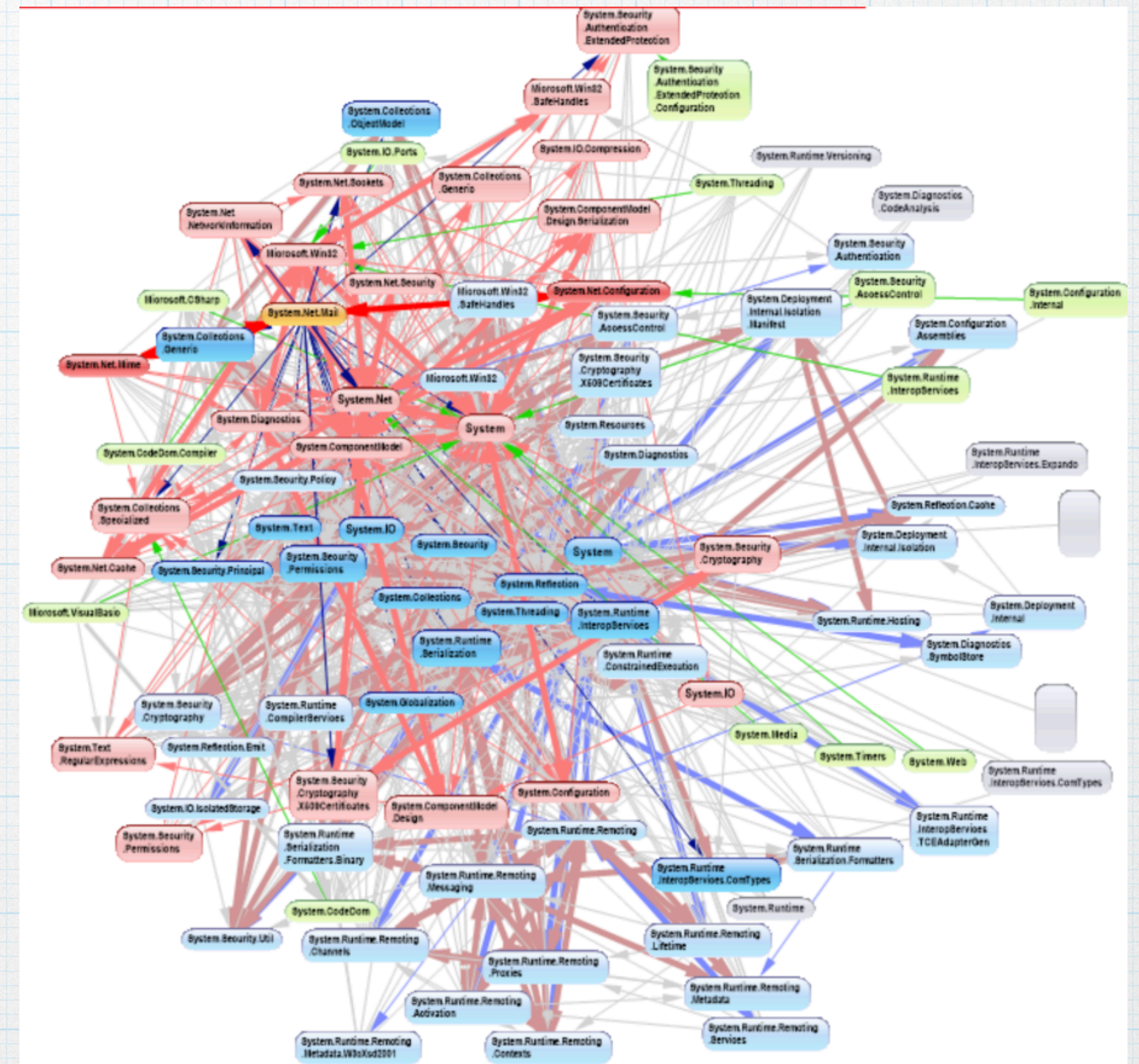
What methods can you use if:

1. If you have over 100 types of Stakeholders, each with 3 conflicting requirements?
<https://tinyurl.com/Stakeh>
2. You build a large government system, and need measurable results for Ministers and Public, before next election in one year?
3. Your project uses 1,000 Software Engineers, and is 3 years late?

<https://tinyurl.com/StakeholderBook>

Hicom, Siemens, Case PoSEM, 1988, 13.74. 1984-5, Günther Rabb, Bernhard Falkenberg. Aslo CE book p. 314-6, "Using common sense"

Solved using Increments (Evo) and Quantified Quality (Software Metrics)



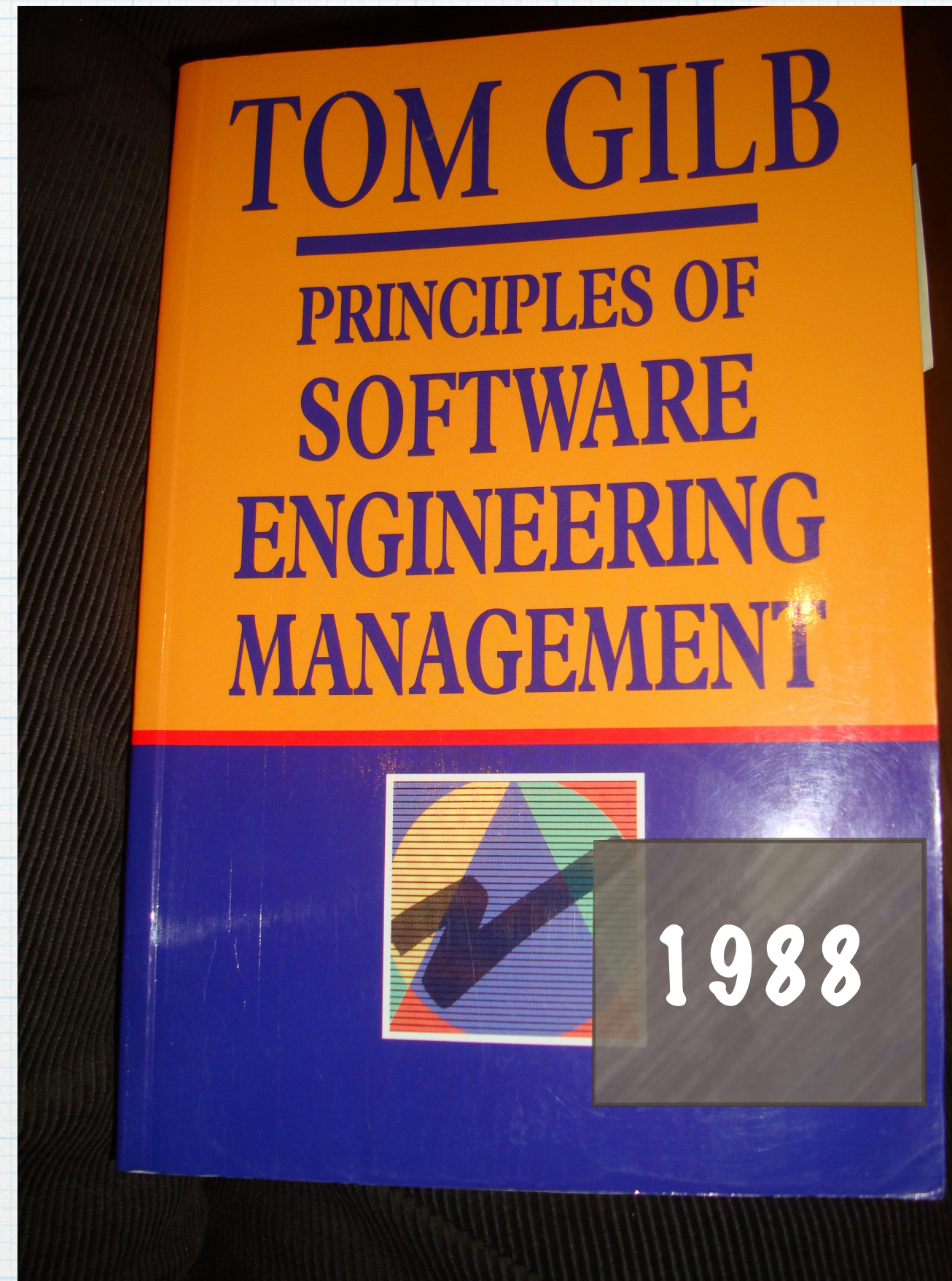
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<http://concepts.gilb.com/dl876>

20 Tough Technical Questions about requirements and designs for Keynote Intel April 2016

1. Real Software *Engineering*, not just about coding, Not 'CodeFlow' like some agile methods.

- * Logicware
- * Dataware
- * Peopleware
- * Hardware
- * Softcrafters
- * Other Stakeholders
 - * Legalware (like GDPR EU)
 - * Planware
 - * Cultureware



Chapt 15 Deeper Perspectives on
Evolutionary Delivery
www.gilb.com/dl561
144 Principles



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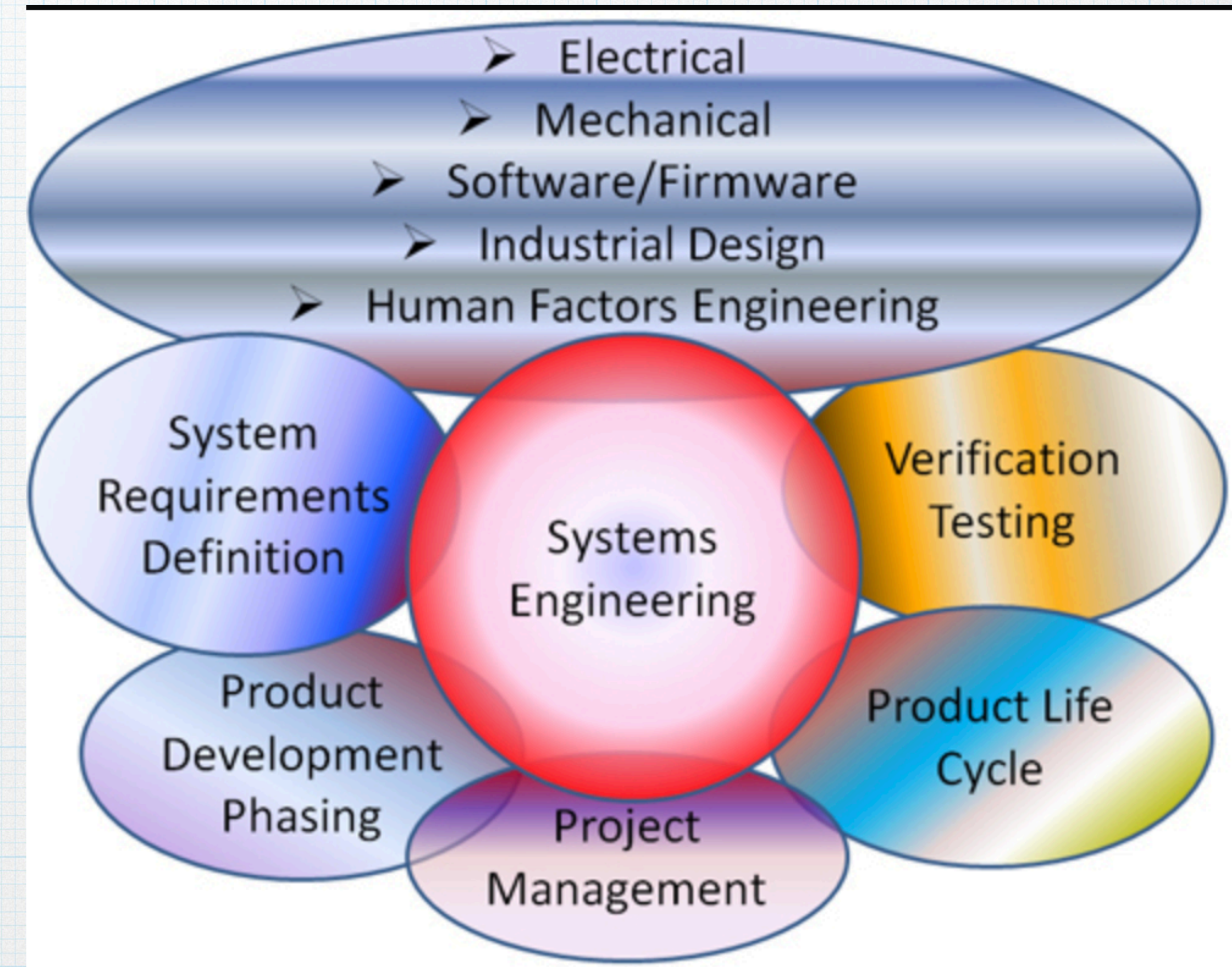
10 Chapters in 10 Parts =
100 Tools

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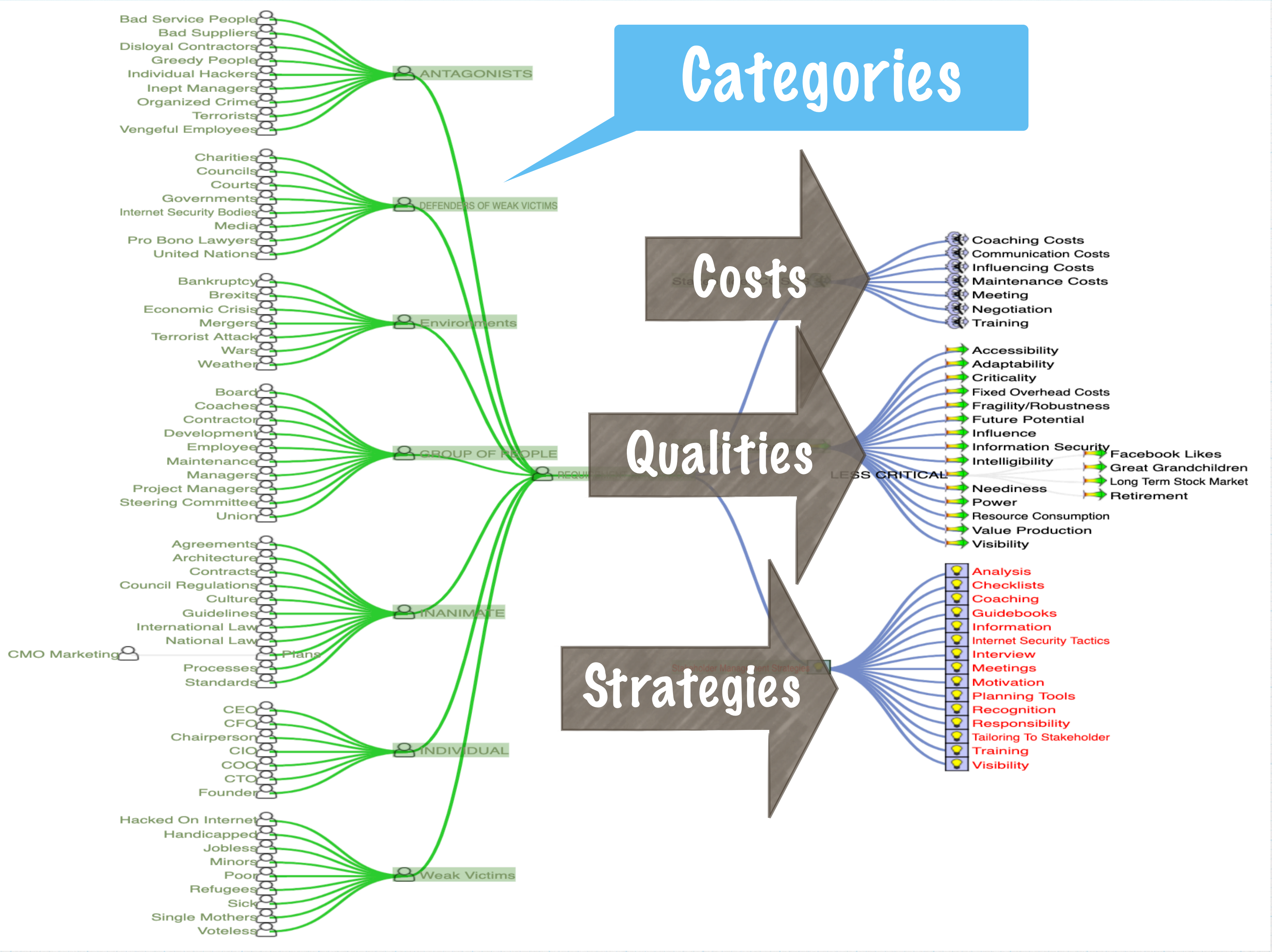
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not merely ‘customer and user’:

Stakeholder Stories,
Stakeholder Xperience (SX not UX)

* When you scale up
from small simple
systems (OKR, User
Stories, Few Teams)

* You need
‘engineering’ to keep
track of the
Stakeholder
complexity and
costs.

1.7 A generic hierarchical stakeholder pattern, with detailed examples of categories.



Figured 1.7 B This is a top-level example of an overview of a useful set of interesting stakeholders, together with our objectives in managing them (arrows), our potential strategies, for better stakeholder management (lightbulbs), and the associated cost aspects of managing stakeholders.

4. Simultaneous Multi-Values and Multi-Cost Requirements; as Agile *Efficiency* Measure, "Agility for Efficiency".

- * All critical stakeholder values and costs
- * Must be considered
- * Not just code production flow

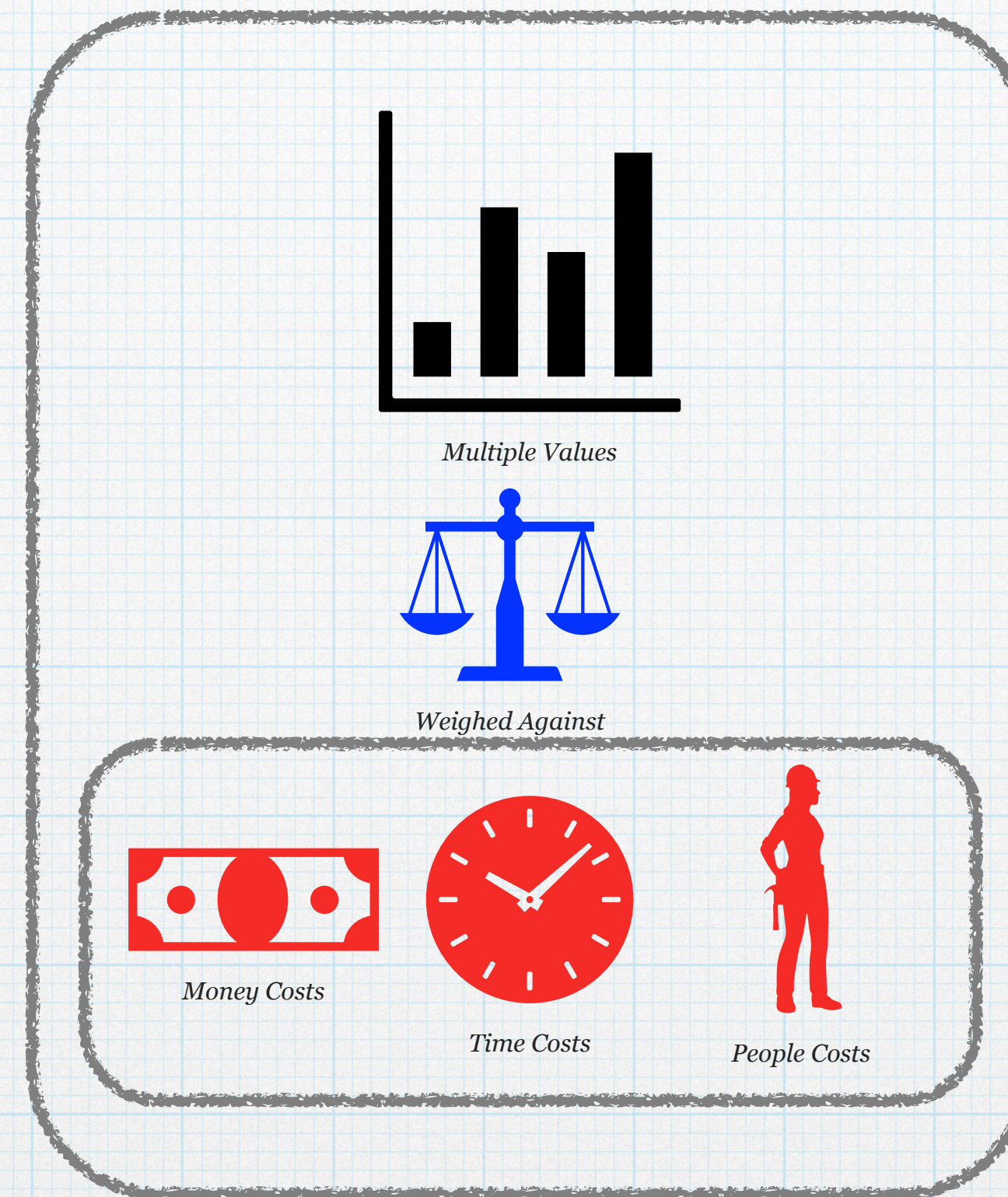


Figure 2.1 Multiple Value attributes of an architecture / Multiple cost attributes x Risks
= Architecture Efficiency

$$\mathbf{X} \quad \triangle \quad = \text{Arch Eff}$$

Risks and Uncertainties

Video 3 Feb 2 2021, Chapter 2 Architecture Efficiency
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tL7-RTqNuNM&feature=youtu.be>

5. Multi-Value Flow Optimization, Multi-Constraint Consideration.

Can 'your agile' really handle 10 objectives and 5 costs At the same time?

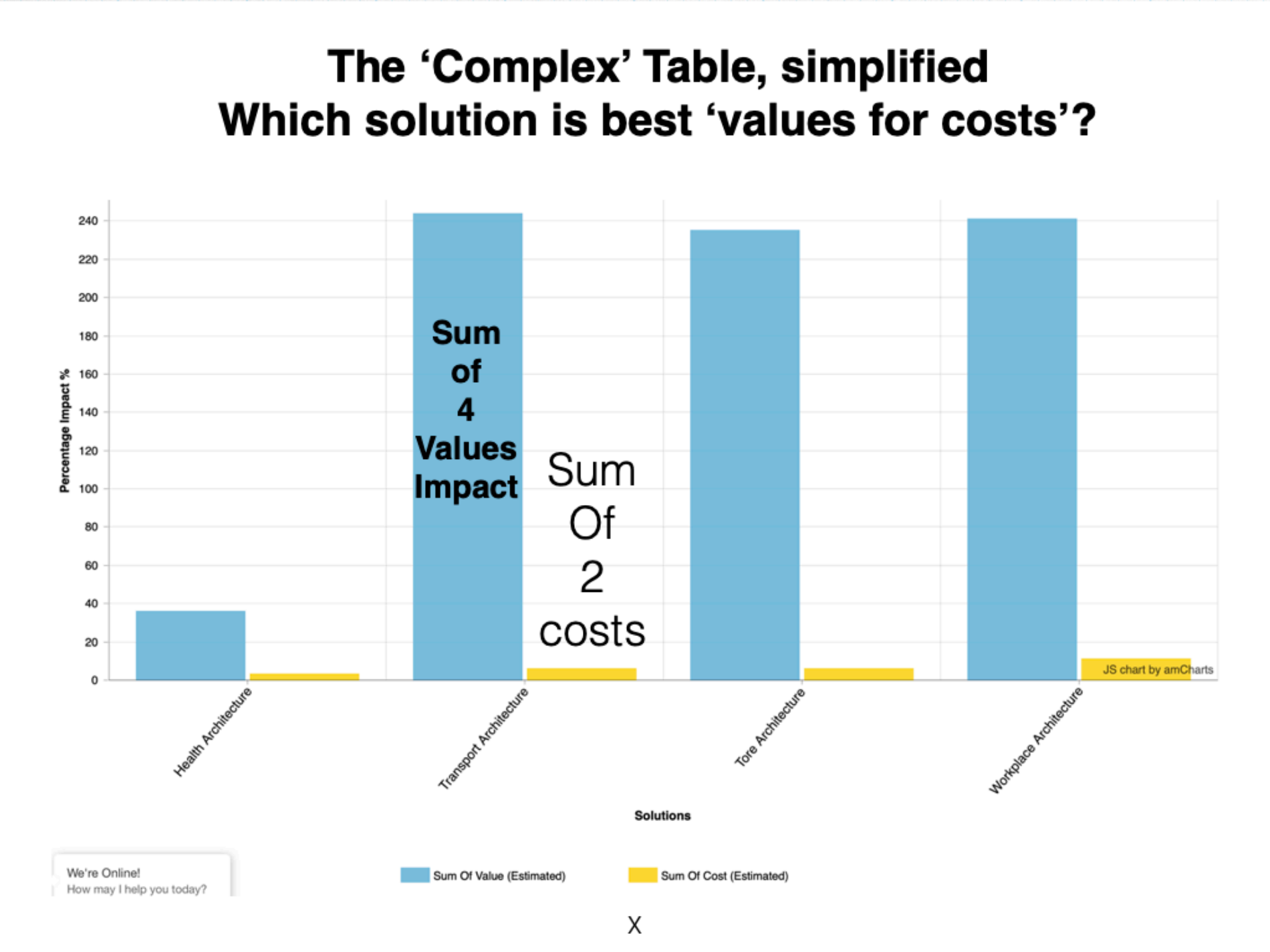


Figure 2.3 The table data on previous page (Fig 2.2) Summarized as a Bar Chart. Without any adjustment for Risks. It is a tight competition for 3 of the architecture options. The risk factors, and using numbers, will finally decide for the 4th on

Systems Enterprise Architecture (SEA) BOOK
<https://leanpub.com/SysEntArchBook>
2021, \$4.99 to \$9.99 +VAT EU

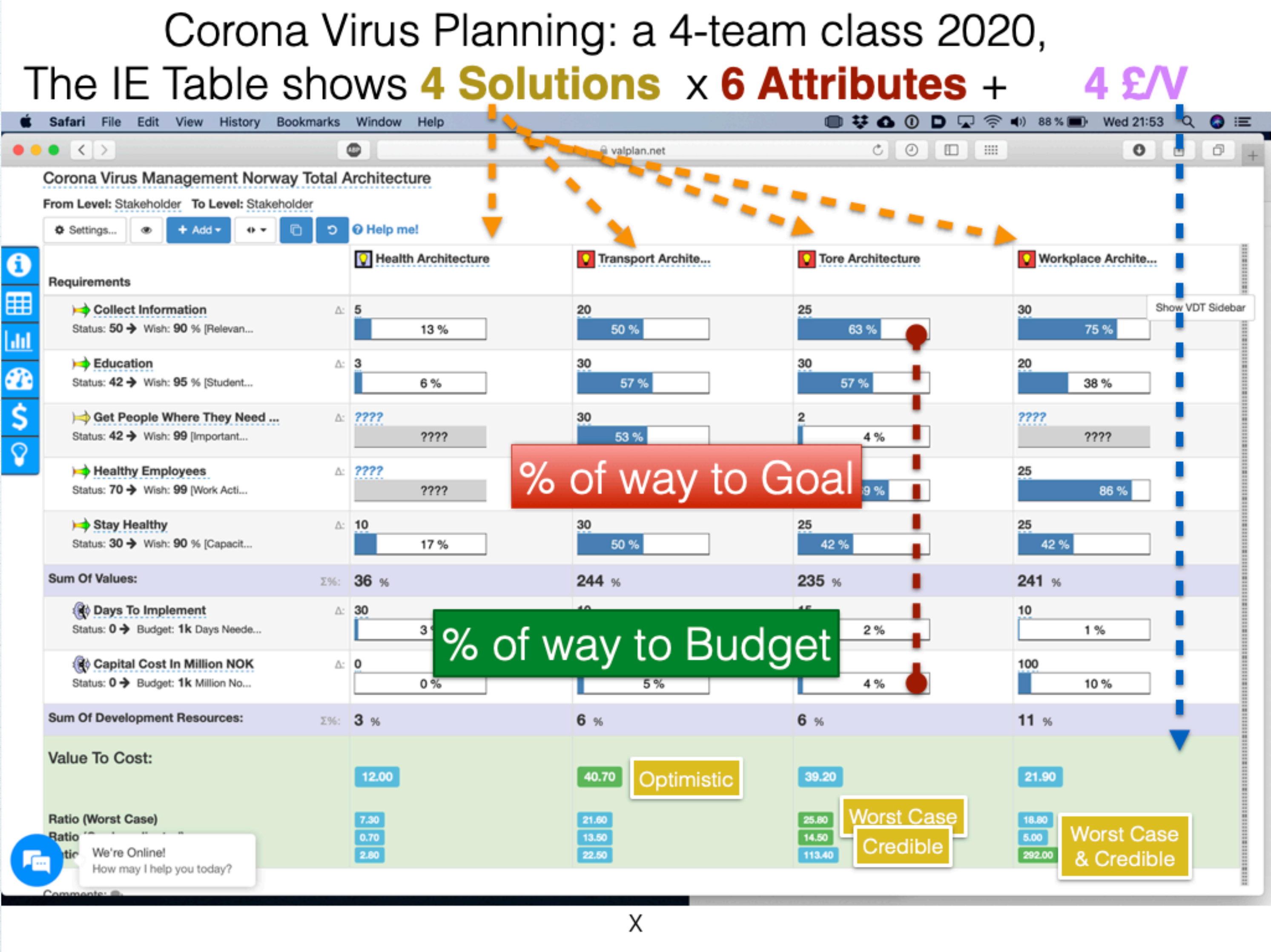
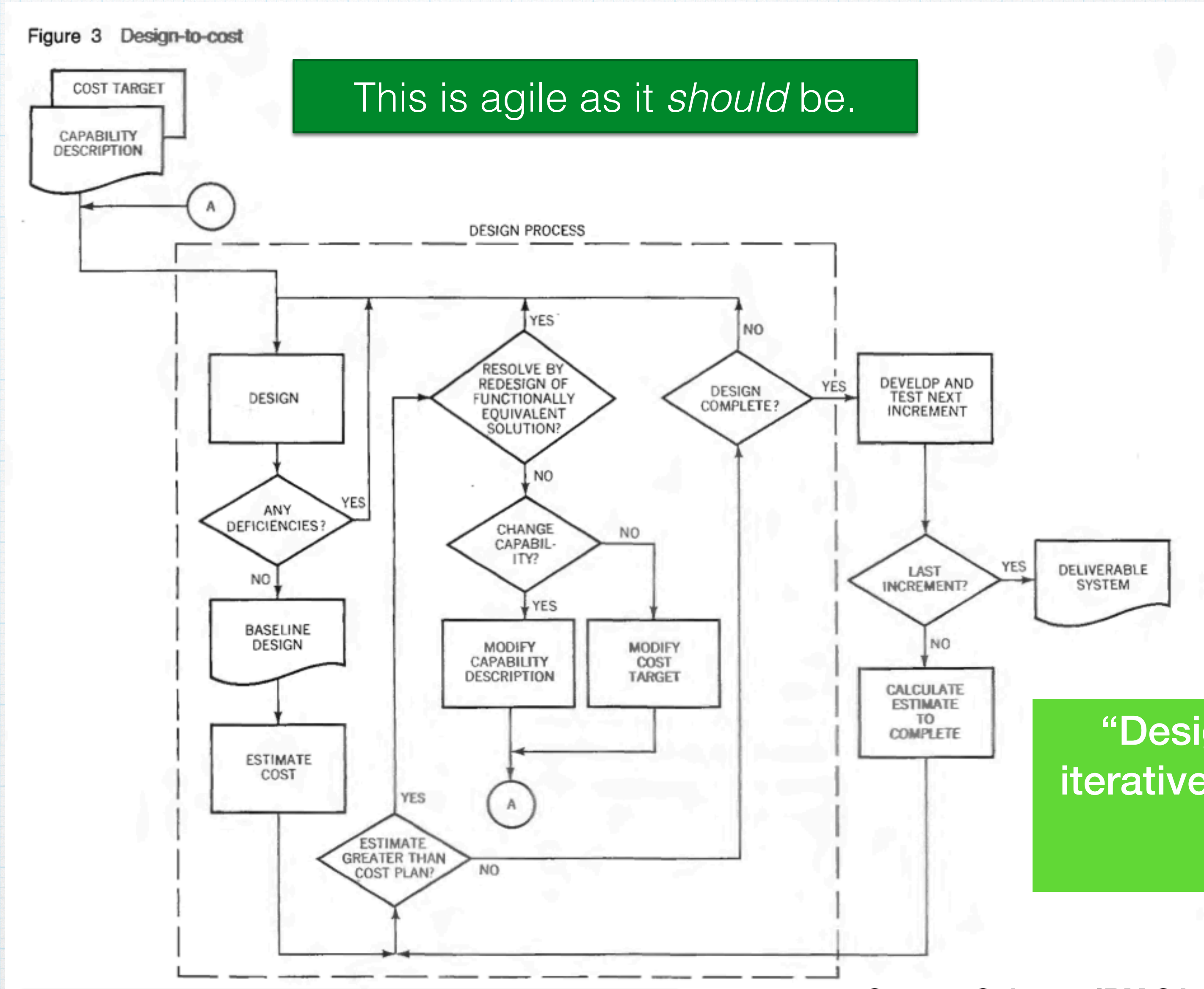


Figure 2.2 A ValPlan Impact Estimation Table (IET) adding up the values for each 4 sub-architectures, and adding up the costs, and then modifying the V/C by 3 different types of risk and uncertainty (see Part 12 for details).

The actual risk numbers are not visible here (quite noisy) , but if we choose to display them, or drip down into cell, they are there to analyze or audit.

6. Dynamic Design to Efficiency (Value/Cost): The Architect in the Agile Loop (IBM Cleanroom, Evo)

- * Does your 'Enterprise Architect'. Haha :)
- * Redesign things
- * If necessary
- * For better cost or quality
- * At every 'sprint' ?
- * And achieve on-time, under budget, high quality in defence and space software?



This is agile as it *should* be.



“Design is an iterative process”

7.
>100X Defect-Prevention
from Requirements input;
using Spec QC + Planguage;
at Intel, in practice.

* An engineering requirements
language (Planguage) gives 10X
better (clearer) requirements

* (10.06 defects vs 100+)

* Then Spec QC (see CE book)

* Reduces defects by 50X more

* 10 defects -> 0.2 DPP

* > 20,000 Intel Engineers trained
in Planguage,

* In use at intel for over 20 Years

Intel Measures of Gilb Methods 2013

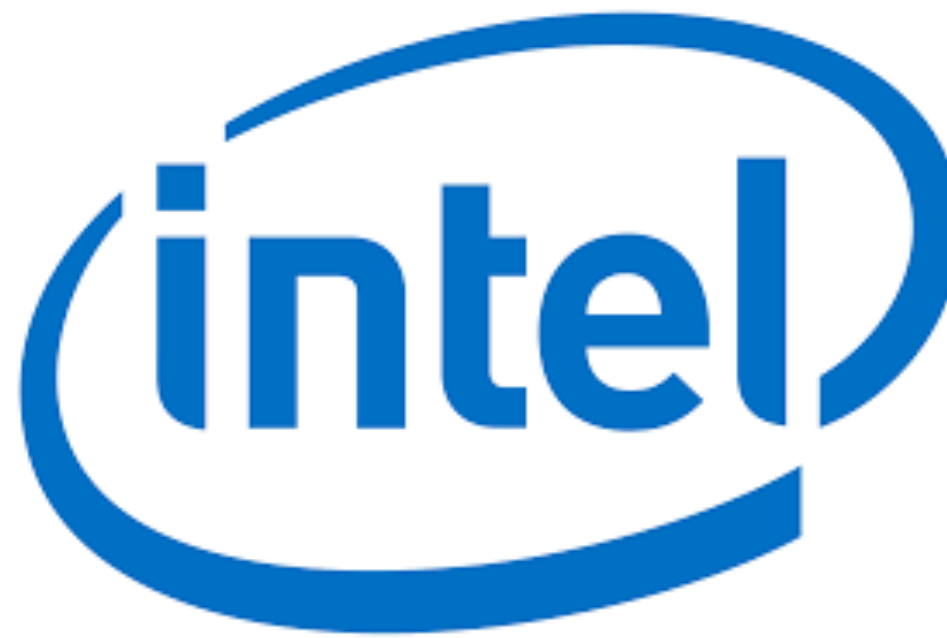


TABLE I: GEN 2 REQUIREMENTS DEFECT DENSITY

PRD Revision	# of Defects	# of Pages	Defects/ Page (DPP)	% Change in DPP
0.3	312	31	10.06	-
0.5	209	44	4.75	-53%
0.6	247	60	4.12	-13%
0.7	114	33	3.45	-16%
0.8	45	38	1.18	-66%
1.0	10	45	0.22	-81%
Overall % change in DPP revision 0.3 to 1.0: -98%				

The Impact of Requirements on Software Quality across Three Product Generations

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Abstract—In a previous case study, we presented data demonstrating the impact that a well-written and well-reviewed set of requirements had on software defects and other quality indicators between two generations of an Intel product. The first generation was coded from an unorganized collection of requirements that were reviewed infrequently and informally. In contrast, the second was developed based on a set of requirements stored in a Requirements Management database and formally reviewed at each revision. Quality indicators for the second software product all improved dramatically even with the increased complexity of the newer product. This paper will recap that study and then present data from a subsequent Intel case study revealing that quality enhancements continued on the third generation of the product. The third generation software was designed and coded using the final set of requirements from the second version as a starting point. Key product differentiators included changes to operate with a new Intel processor, the introduction of new hardware platforms and the addition of approximately fifty new features. Software development methodologies were nearly identical, with only the change to a continuous build process for source code check-in added. Despite the enhanced functionality and complexity in the third generation software, requirements defects, software defects, software sightings, feature commit vs. delivery (feature variance), days from project start to the second to the

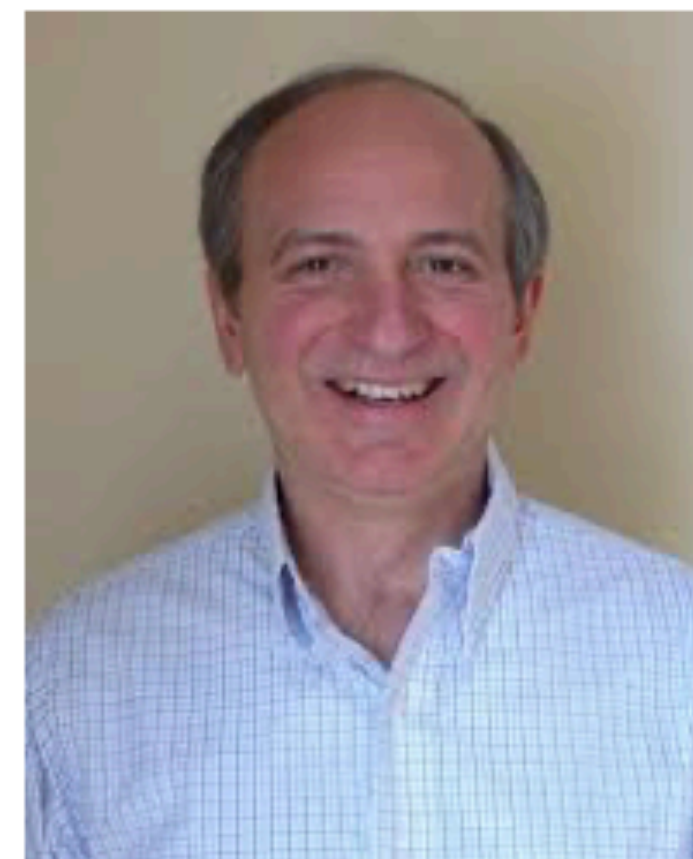
II. PRODUCT BACKGROUNDS

The requirements for Gen 1 that existed were scattered across a variety of documents, spreadsheets, emails and web sites and lacked a consistent syntax. They were under lax revision and change control, which made determining the most current set of requirements challenging. There was no overall requirements specification; hence reviews were sporadic and unstructured. Many of the legacy features were not documented. As a result, testing had many gaps due to missing and incorrect information.

The Gen 1 product was targeted to run on both desktop and laptop platforms running on an Intel processor (CPU). Code was developed across multiple sites in the United States and other countries. Integration of the code bases and testing occurred in the U.S. The Software Development Lifecycle (SDLC) was approximately two years.

After analyzing the software defect data from the Gen 1 release, the Gen 2 team identified requirements as a key improvement area. A requirements Subject Matter Expert (SME) was assigned to assist the team in the elicitation, analysis, writing, review and management of the requirements for the second generation product. The SME developed a plan to address three critical requirements areas: a central repository, training, and reviews. A commercial Requirements Management Tool (RMT) was used to store all product requirements in a database. The data model for the requirements was based on the Planguage keywords created by Tom Gilb [2]. The RMT was configured to generate a formatted Product Requirements Document (PRD) under revision control. Architecture specifications, design documents and test cases were developed from this PRD. The SME provided training on best practices for writing requirements, including a standardized syntax, attributes of well written requirements and Planguage to the primary authors (who were

set paper [1] that
a standard set of



8. Dynamic Stepwise
Priority Computation,
based on Efficiency and
Constraints.
Using Impact Estimation
Tables.

* Can you
compute
priority at
every
increment?

* Based on
values,
costs and
risks?

Values

5.4.1 Priority evaluation of 4 sub-architectures,
in relation to 5 Performance Requirements, and 2 Budgeted Resources.

Possible increments

Corona Virus Management Norway Total Architecture

From Level: Stakeholder To Level: Stakeholder

Settings... Add ◯ ◀ ▶ Help me!

	Health Architecture	Transport Archite...	Tore Architecture	Workplace Archite...
Requirements				
Collect Information Status: 50 → Wish: 90 % [Relevan...	Δ: 5 13 %	20 50 %	25 63 %	30 75 %
Education Status: 42 → Wish: 95 % [Student...	Δ: 3 6 %	30 57 %	30 57 %	20 38 %
Get People Where They Need ... Status: 42 → Wish: 99 [Important...	Δ: ???? ????	30 53 %	2 4 %	???? ????
Healthy Employees Status: 70 → Wish: 99 [Work Acti...	Δ: ???? ????	10 34 %	20 69 %	25 86 %
Stay Healthy Status: 30 → Wish: 90 % [Capacit...	Δ: 10 17 %	30 50 %	25 42 %	25 42 %
Sum Of Values: Σ%:	36 %	244 %	235 %	241 %
Days To Implement Status: 0 → Budget: 1k Days Neede...	Δ: 30 3 %	10 1 %	15 2 %	10 1 %
Capital Cost In Million NOK Status: 0 → Budget: 1k Million No...	Δ: 0 0 %	50 5 %	40 4 %	100 10 %
Sum Of Development Resources: Σ%:	3 %	6 %	6 %	11 %
Value To Cost:	12.00	40.70	39.20	21.90
Ratio (Worst Case)	7.30	21.60	25.80	18.80
Ratio (Cred. - adjusted)	0.70	13.50	14.50	5.00
Ratio (Worst Case Cred. - adjusted)	2.80	22.50	113.40	292.00

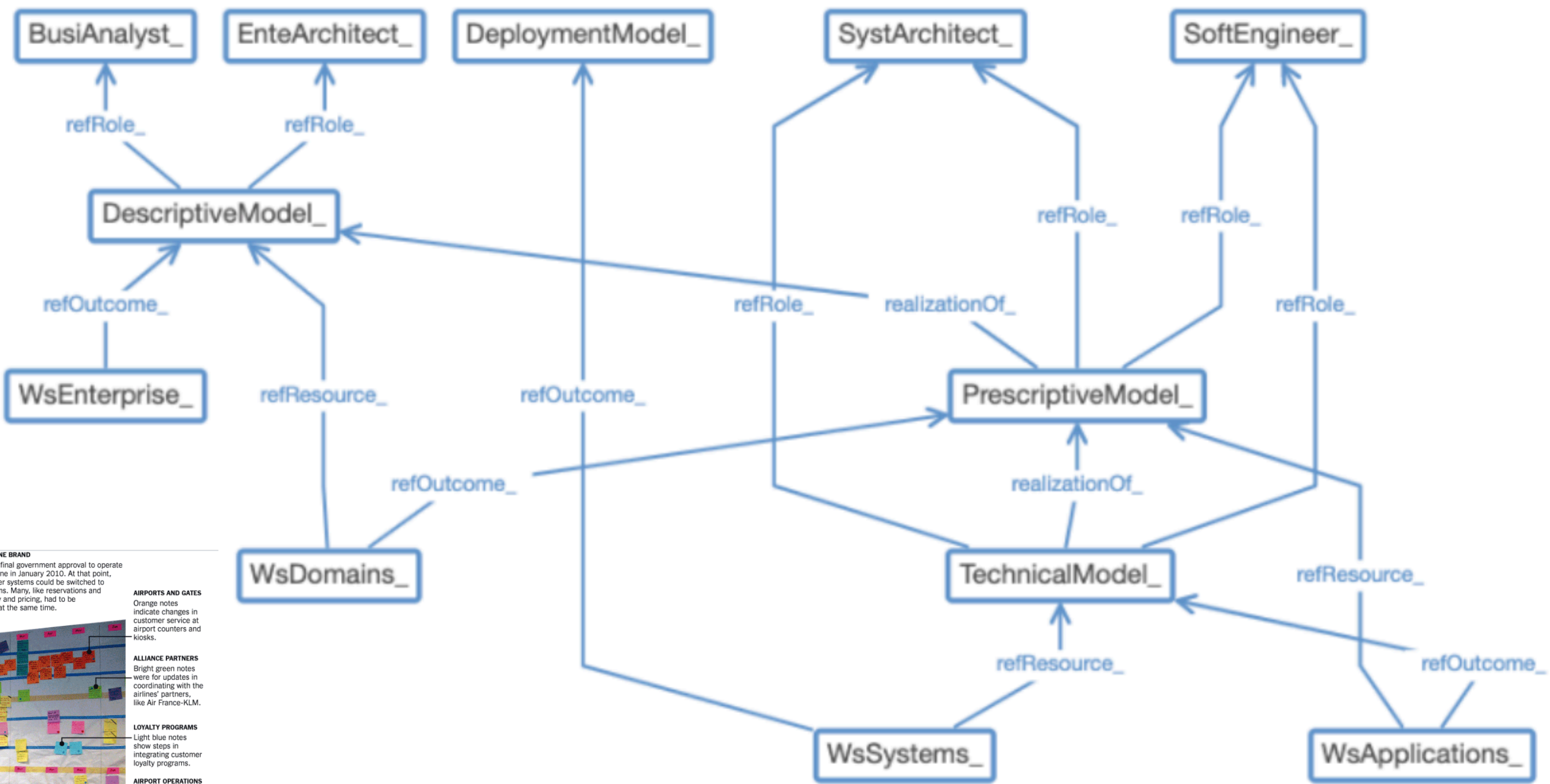
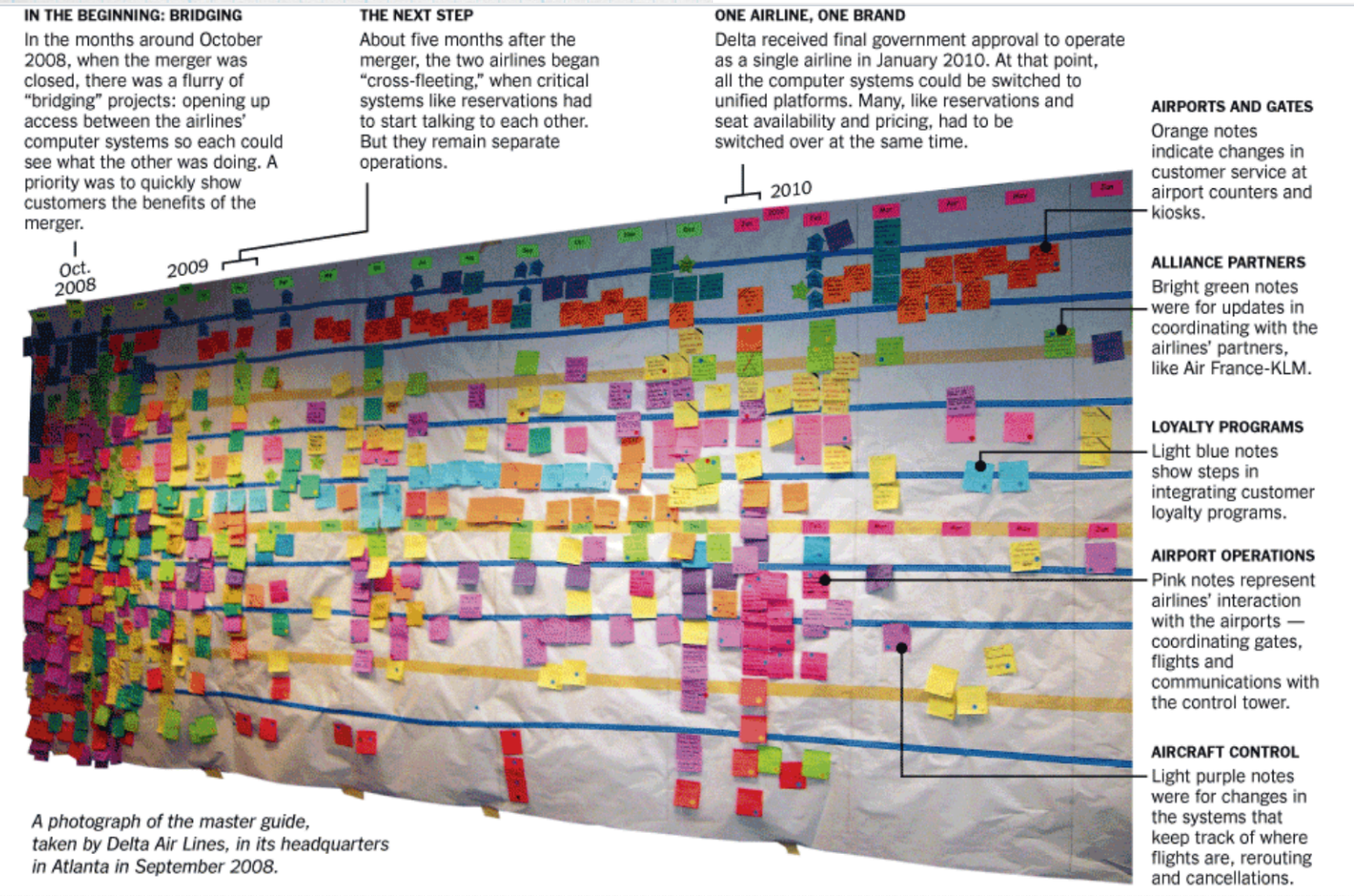
Priority Calculation

9. AI, Web 3.0, Solid, Symantic Triples, Ontology& Digitization. = Very High-Tech Agile Future: Bye Bye Yellow Stickies.

Digitize
system
relations

Yellow Stickies
are for small,
short term,
non -critical
systems

‘Kid Stuff’



<https://caminao.blog/ea-in-bowls/> courtesy Rémy Fannader

10. **Scale-Free** Agile methods, as proven big time, at Intel, and other places.

IEEE Paper: <https://www.computer.org/csdl/magazine/so/2021/04/09461035/1uCdHyJJMAw>

*Are your
Agile
methods
Scale-Free?

Erik Simmons, Intel Scaling

- Instead, I believe that the **majority of what you have** included for ideas, principles, etc. from CE and VP are in fact **scale-free**.
- They are **not dependent on *project* or *organization* size**.
- They are **good heuristics for almost any project**,
- and **nearly universally applicable**
 - (nearly universal because I hear Koen in my head, and all is heuristic).
- So, CE and VP are not *about* scaling
 - so much as they should be taught and understood as **scale-free**.
- Size is not a reason to choose (or not choose) to use Competitive Engineering, Evo, Planguage, etc.
- As you quoted me in the paper – **this stuff works**.
 - It works on **small** projects. It works on **large** projects.
- Evo on a 5-person team is not really much different than Evo on a 100-person team, except there are more people.
- The principles apply **without alteration** (or “scaling”).
- Anyone who sees a random page of your new paper would probably not guess the topic is scaling (unless you happen to mention that in the text on that particular page).
- **‘Competitive Engineering’ does not scale. It doesn’t need to.**

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Gilb. “SCALE-FREE:
Practical Scaling Methods for Industrial Systems Engineering”
lecture slides, <http://concepts.gilb.com/dl892>

2016, Considerable citation of Intel experience with Planguage method, by Erik Simmons.

11. Agile Engineering on a small scale

(13 Developers + 3 Testers, Norway, 4 x 4 Teams, at Conformat, capture international market with dramatic product quality increases)

- * Parallel Multiple -Quality Engineering using Evo and Planguage
- * Real quick, (weekly increments) quarterly results released to international market
- * 1 Day training for entire org. (abt. 68)
- * All 16 devs had engineering degrees. NTNU

EVO Plan Conformat 8.5 in Evo Step Impact Measurement

4 product areas were attacked in all: **25 USER Qualities** concurrently, one quarter of a year.
Total development staff = 13

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Impact Estimation Table: Reportal codename "Hyggen"

Current Status			Improvements			Reportal - E-SAT features		
Units	Units	%	Past	Tolerable	Goal			
75,0	25,0	62,5	Usability.Intuitivness (%)					
			50	75	90			
14,0	14,0	100,0	Usability.Consistency.Visual (Elements)					
			0	11	14			
15,0	15,0	107,1	Usability.Consistency.Interaction (Components)					
			0	11	14			
5,0	75,0	96,2	Usability.Productivity (minutes)					
5,0	45,0	95,7	80	5	2			
			50	5	1			
3,0	2,0	66,7	Usability.Flexibility.OfflineReport.ExportFormats					
			1	3	4			
1,0	22,0	95,7	Usability.Robustness (errors)					
			7	1	0			
4,0	5,0	100,0	Usability.Replacability (nr of features)					
			8	5	3			
1,0	12,0	150,0	Usability.ResponseTime.ExportReport (minutes)					
			13	13	5			
1,0	14,0	100,0	Usability.ResponseTime.ViewReport (seconds)					
			15		1			
203,0			Development resources					
			0		91			

Current Status			Improvements			Survey Engine .NET		
Units	Units	%	Past	Tolerable	Goal			
83,0	48,0	80,0	Backwards.Compatibility (%)					
0,0	67,0	100,0	40	85	95			
			67	0	0			
4,0	59,0	100,0	Generate.WI.Time (small/medium/large seconds)					
10,0	397,0	100,0	63	8	4			
94,0	2290,0	103,9	407	100	10			
			2384	500	180			
10,0	10,0	13,3	Testability (%)					
			0	100	100			
774,0	507,0	51,7	Usability.Speed (seconds/user rating 1-10)					
5,0	3,0	60,0	1281	600	300			
			2	5	7			
0,0	0,0	0,0	Runtime.ResourceUsage.Memory					
			?		?			
3,0	35	97,2	Runtime.ResourceUsage.CPU					
			38	3	2			
0,0	800	100,0	Runtime.ResourceUsage.MemoryLeak					
			800	0	0			
350	1100	146,7	Runtime.Concurrency (number of users)					
			150	500	1000			
			Development resources					
			0		84			

Current Status			Improvements			Reportal - MR Features		
Units	Units	%	Past	Tolerable	Goal			
1,0	1,0	50,0	Usability.Replacability (feature count)					
			14	13	12			
20,0	45,0	112,5	Usability.Productivity (minutes)					
			65	35	25			
4,4	4,4	36,7	Usability.ClientAcceptance (features count)					
			0	4	12			
101,0			Development resources					
			0		86			

Current Status			Improvements			XML Web Services		
Units	Units	%	Past	Tolerable	Goal			
7,0	9,0	81,8	TransferDefinition.Usability.Efficiency					
17,0	8,0	53,3	16	10	5			
			25	15	10			
943,0	-186,0	#####	TransferDefinition.Usability.Response					
			170	60	30			
5,0	10,0	95,2	TransferDefinition.Usability.Intuitiveness					
			15	7,5	4,5			
2,0			Development resources					
			0		48			

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August 25, 2014

Case slides: <http://concepts.gilb.com/dl33>



12. "Principles of Agile Engineering" : Logical Common Sense.

- 1.quantify critical improvement objectives
- 2.estimate multiple impacts of strategies
- 3.reject polluted specifications
- 4.plan for 1 week, before starting value delivery
- 5.deliver some value every week or 2% of time
- 6.measure real value and costs and learn fast
- 7.contract for value delivery, not for work done
- 8.operate at the systems level, not the 'code' level
- 9.let critical stakeholders decide your critical requirements
10. Keep it simple: top 10 Objectives quantified is master, everything else is a servant

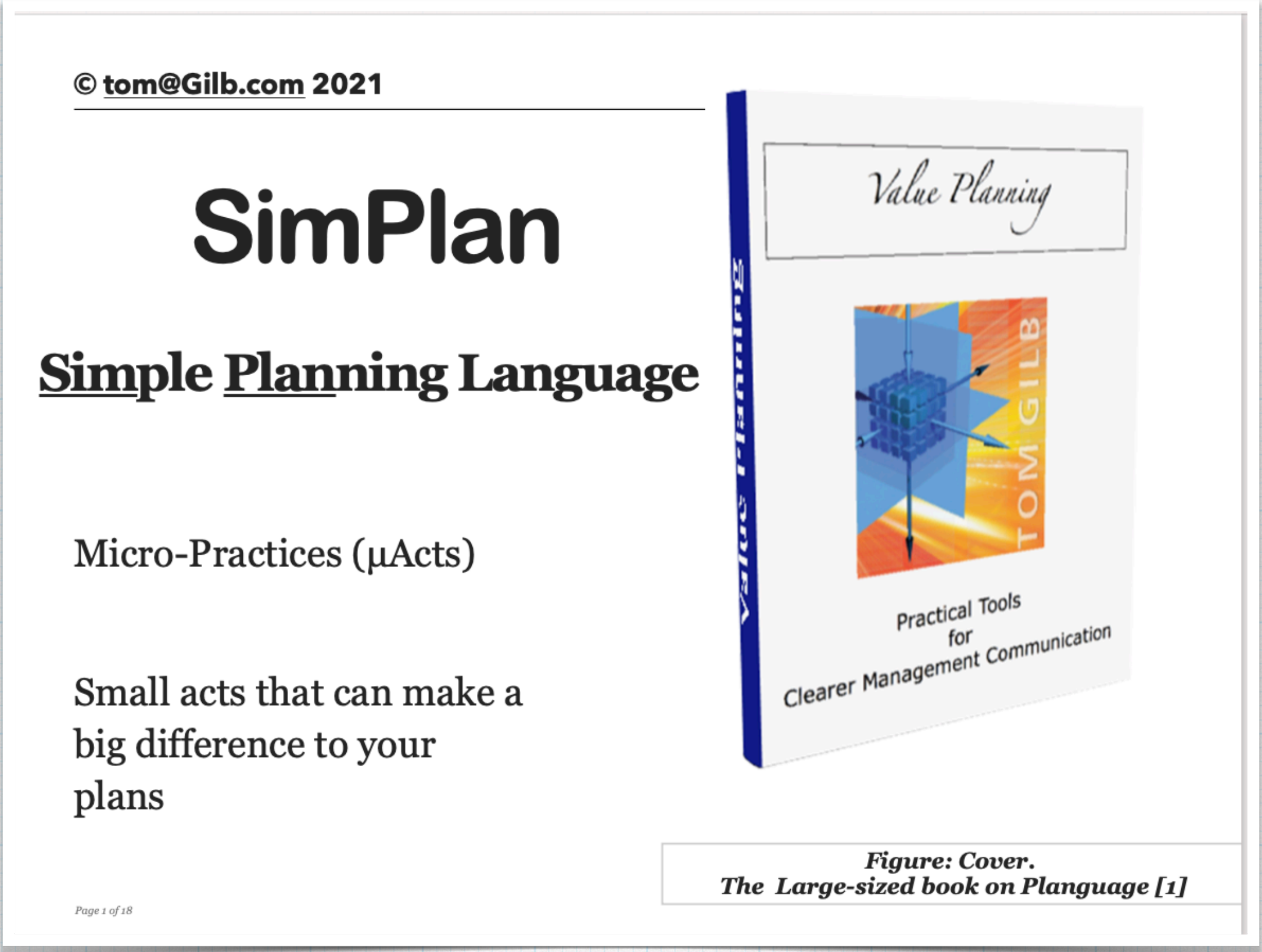


Value Agile 2020
BOOK: leanpub.com/ValueAgile
SLIDES: <http://concepts.gilb.com/dl974>
VIDEO <https://www.gilb.com/blog/Agile-Tools-for-Value-Delivery-by-Tom-Gilb>

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BYOM Bring Your Own Method. ‘Essence’ and D.A.

- 1.0 Overview
- 1.1 Contents
- 2.0 to 15.0 PRACTICES (Acts Combinations, which are μ Act Combinations)
- 2.0 μ Acts for Organizing Plans
- 3.0 μ Acts for Requirements
- 4.0 μ Acts for Designs, Strategies
- 5.0 μ Acts for Evaluation
- 6.0 μ Acts for Prioritization
- 7.0 μ Acts for Risk Management
- 8.0 μ Acts for Visualization
- 9.0 μ Acts for Attribute Enrichment
- 10.0 μ Acts for Automation
- 11.0 μ Acts for Definitions.
- 12.0 μ Acts for Relationships.
- 13.0 μ Acts for Levels of Concern
- 14.0 Keyed icons
- 15.0 Drawn icons
- SimPlan Terminology
- References Section
- Rules for Book Editing



SimPlan book 2021 in progress
(In Pages)

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AACuH_ufpP9lZF9NrnmA0s31a?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/3h6iwlz29vi3tvm/AACuH_ufpP9lZF9NrnmA0s31a?dl=0)

'Stakeholder Engineering: *The 'Stakeholder Systems Engineering' Discipline.*

<https://tinyurl.com/StakeholderBook>

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Do Share with a friend, but not on Internet (Use then [Leanpub.com/StakeholderEngineering](https://leanpub.com/StakeholderEngineering)).

Note it is for sale now too (*some people appreciate things they have to pay for*), so this is the **public** reference.

Stakeholder Engineering.

By Tom Gilb

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Released 27 July 2021, Leanpub
\$5-\$10, Big Free sample available here.



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End of
Presentation

OK

Questions and discussion

Why isn't everybody doing 'Agile Engineering' ?

Why does 'conventional Agile'

fail to deliver, so often ?

100 Tools
2 Pages each

Power Tools to master complex plans and problems
TECHNOSCOPIES



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Technoscopes:
Tools for understanding complex projects
<https://www.gilb.com/store/Pd4tqL8s>
Price €14

Summary of Talk

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