Special Intelligence from the Women In Black

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Agenda

Introduction

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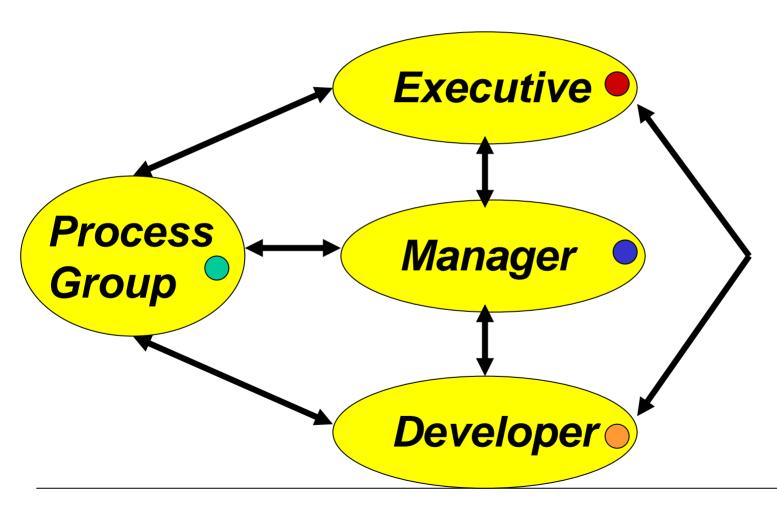
- The Executive Perspective by Joan Weszka
- The Manager Perspective by Rose Whitney
- The Developer Perspective by Kim Caputo
- The Process Group Perspective by Cora Carmody



Introduction

- What's the Secret to...
 - Achieving the SPI Mission
 - Getting past "The Wall"
 - Obtaining (and Retaining) Sponsorship
 - Being heard

Roles and Relationships

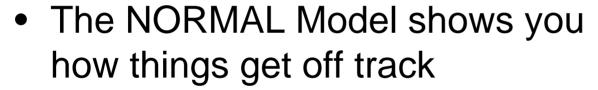


Key Relationships

Providing Support Setting Expectations 1 Executive & 4 Process Group & **Executive** Managers 2 Executive & 5 Process Group & Developers Managers 3 Managers & • • 6 Process Group & **Developers** Developers • •

Models and Maps

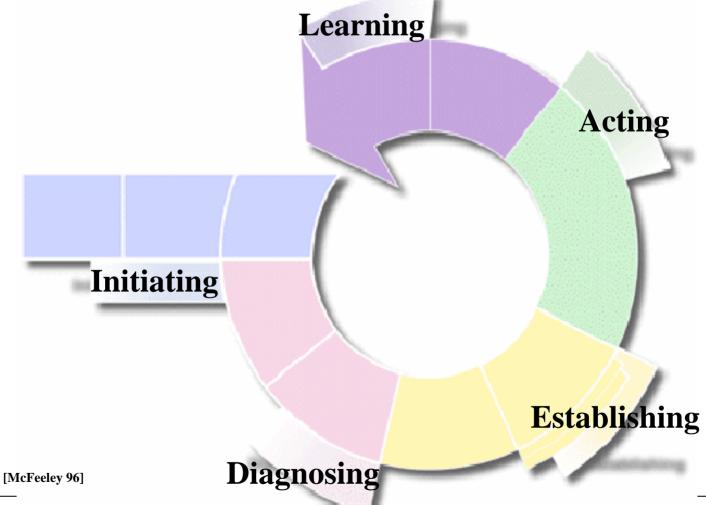
The IDEAL Model tells you what your mission is...
 ...but it's not that easy



 The SECRET Map shows you how to get back on track to success

The IDEALSM Model

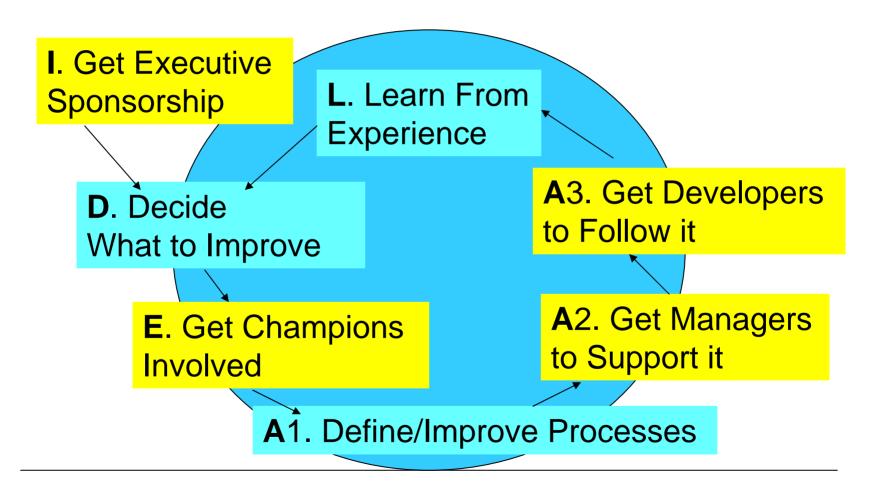
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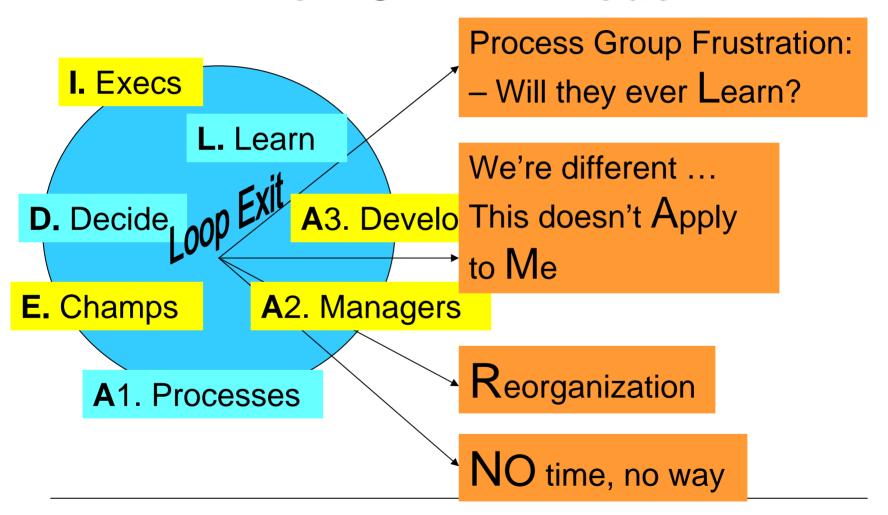
IDEALSM **Model Involvement**

Initiating	• Get Executive Sponsorship
Diagnosing	Decide What to Improve
Establishing	• Get Champions Involved
Acting	Define/Improve Processes
	 Get Managers to Support it
	• Get Developers to Follow it
Learning	 Learn From Experience

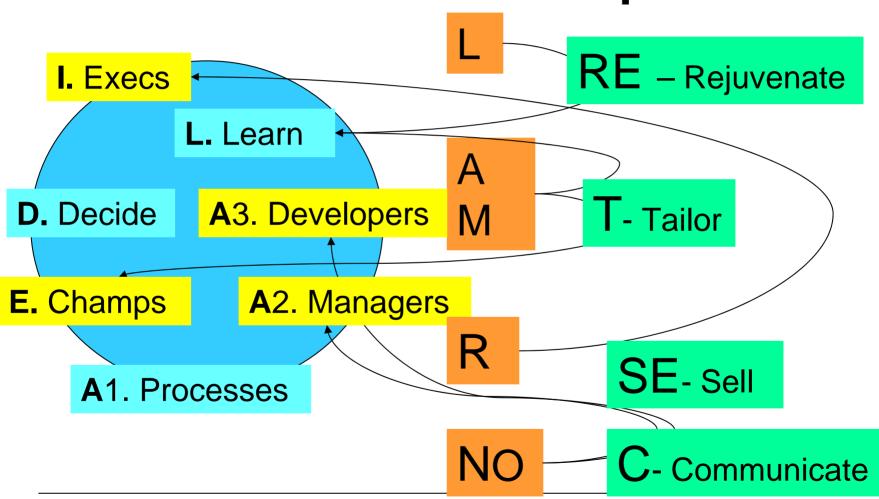
The IDEALSM Model Map



The NORMAL Model



The SECRET Map

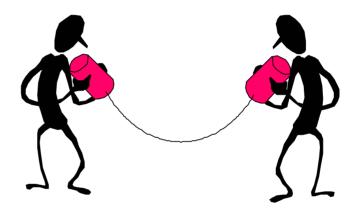


Decoding Chart

NO – NO time, no way Loop Re-Entry Points SE - Sell & Enlighten Get Managers to Support it C – Communicate Expectations Often • Get Developers to Follow it R - Reorganization Get Executive Sponsorship SE – Sell & Enlighten Get Champions Involved MA – This doesn't Apply to Me T - Tailor things to fit Learn From Experience new situations Learn From Experience L – Will they ever Learn? RE – Rejuvenate & Encourage

What's the Secret to...

...getting people to listen to you?



"If you don't talk the way people listen, it doesn't matter what you say"

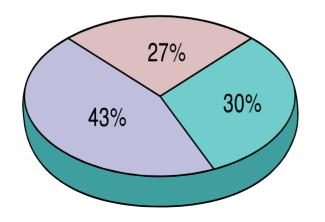
Know Yourself and Your Audience

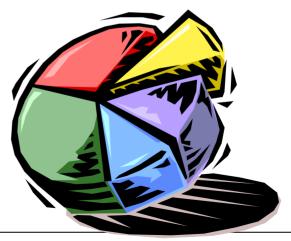
- What style are you?
 What style is your audience?
- What role does your audience play?

Sensor:

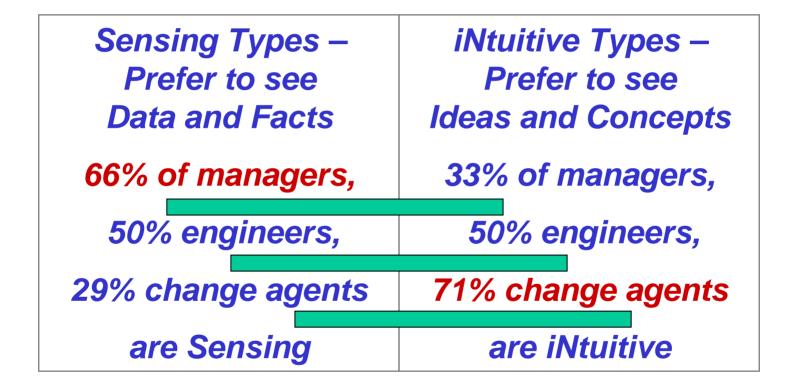
Results, Pragmatic, Executive Summary

iNtuitive: Ideas, Creative, Pictures and Drawings





Customize Communication to Your Audience



- West & Sullivan

iNtuitive Example: Why SPI?



Happy customers.







Engineers won't have to perform magic anymore.

More time for fun exciting work. (Fewer interruptions from

management.

- West & Sullivan

Sensing Example: Why SPI?

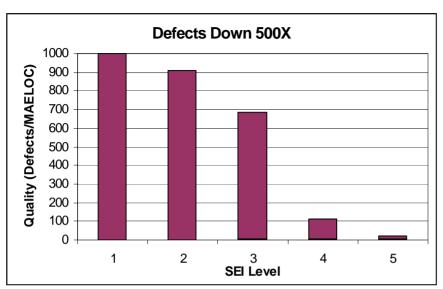
- Nearly 1/3 of information technology projects were cancelled before completion
- Only 16% (1of 6) software projects were completed on time, on budget
- Delivered products contained on average only 61% of the originally-specified features
- Average budget overrun was 189%
- Average schedule overrun for projects that were in difficulty was 222%

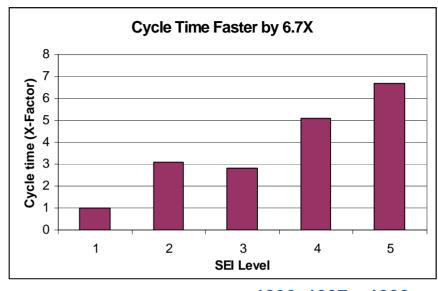


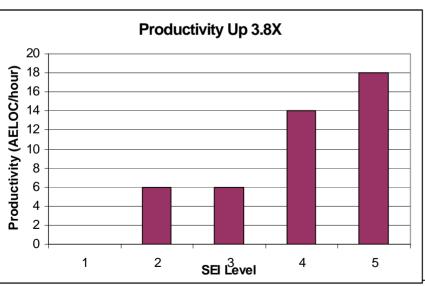
"Charting the Seas of Technology: The CHAOS Study"
The Standish Group, January 1995

- Report of the Defense Science Board Task Force of Defense Software, November 2000

Bar Charts: Defects, Cycle Time, Productivity



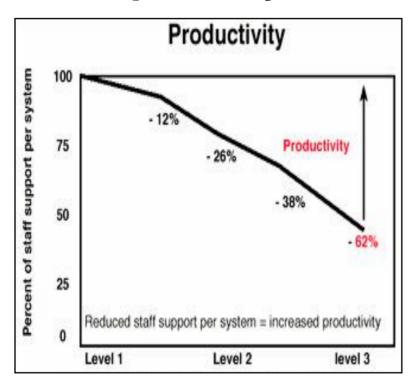




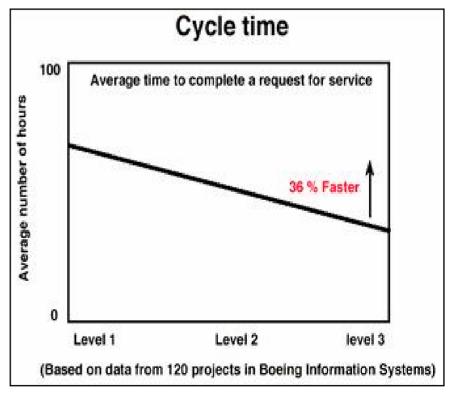
	1996 1997		1998
SEI CMM Level	2	3	4
Inspection Efficiency	1	1.68	2.00
Defect Density, per KSLOC	1	.54	.47
Build Cycle Time	NA	1	.19
Test Rate, KLOC/Days	1	4.7	20
Test Rate, reqts/week	1	1	2.7
Test Productivity, LOC/Stf Wk	1	1.66	3.07

- Motorola, Systems Solutions Group, SPIN 9/98

Graphs: Cycle Time, Productivity



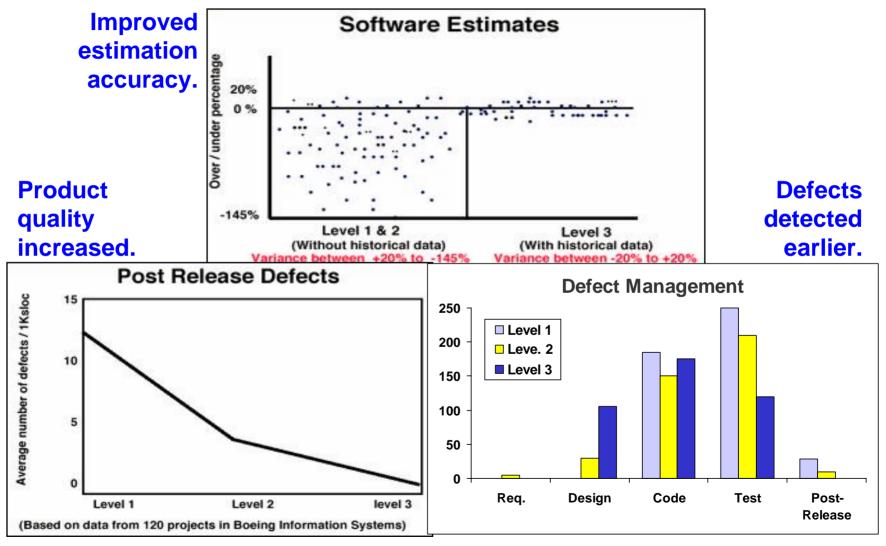
Projects operating at Maturity Level 3 increased productivity by 62% ...



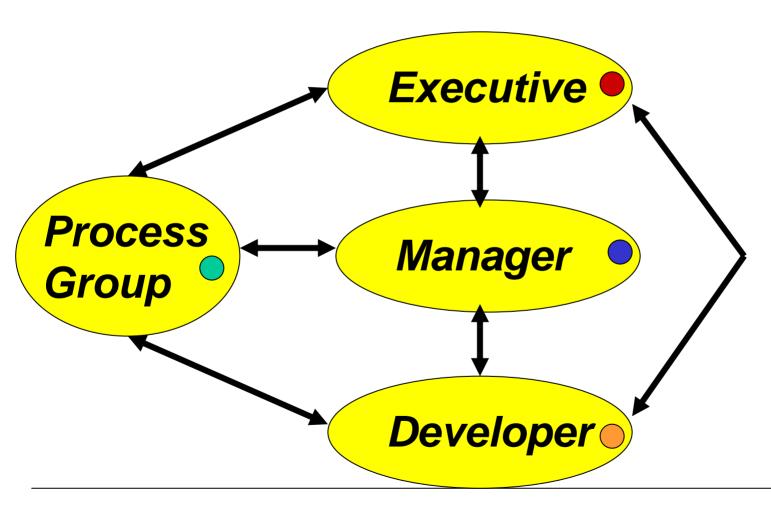
While cycle times improved 36%.

Reference: Scott Griffin, Boeing CIO, SEPG Conference 2000

Plots, Lines, Bars: Estimation, Defect Prevention

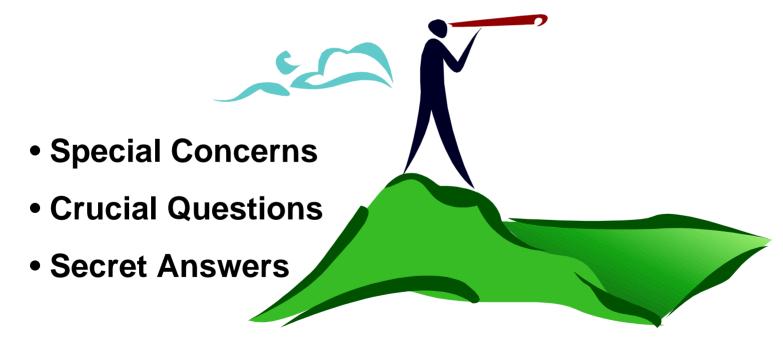


Four Perspectives



The Executive Perspective

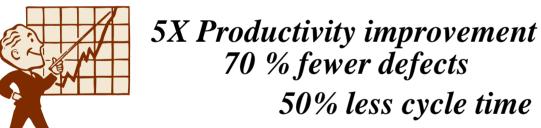




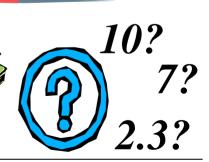
Special Concerns of the Executive

• Business & strategic objectives

Quantitative results



Return-on-investment



Executive Sponsorship

Executive sponsorship includes...

- funding
 - resources
 - visible support
 - setting priorities
 and expectations



motivating organizational behavior"walking the talk"

What's the Secret to...

...obtaining sponsorship?
 <u>Before</u> embarking on a process improvement program

...retaining sponsorship?
 <u>After</u> a cycle has begun

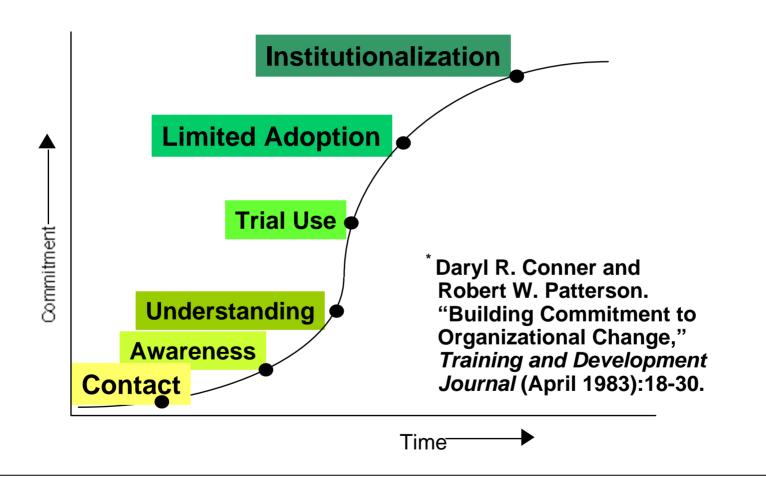
It's a continuous process!

Before... Prepare Yourself

- Obtain training on technology change management
 - Applies equally to process improvement as it does to technology adoption
- Understand the business objectives of your executive
- Have an "elevator speech" ready
 - Don't lose an opportunity to reinforce the message

Your competence and credibility are key

Technology Change Management



Business Objectives

Explain how process improvement can

support business performance

- Higher productivity
- Better quality
- Reduced cycle time
- More satisfied customers
- Competitive benchmarks



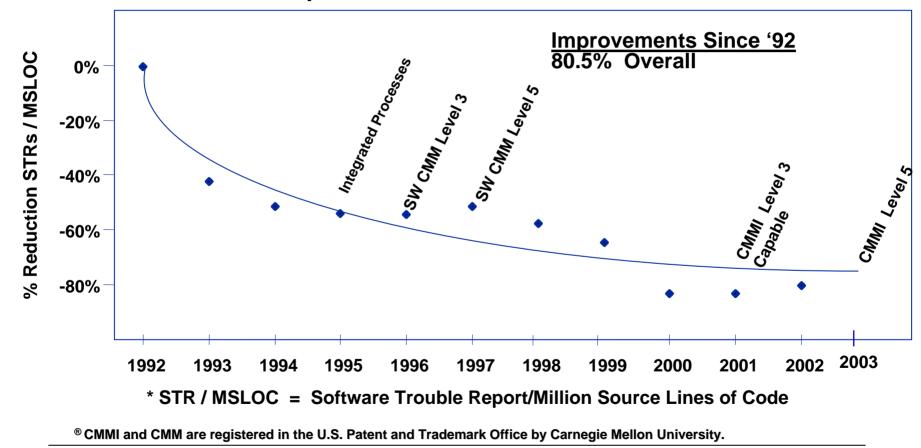
Higher
Award Fees



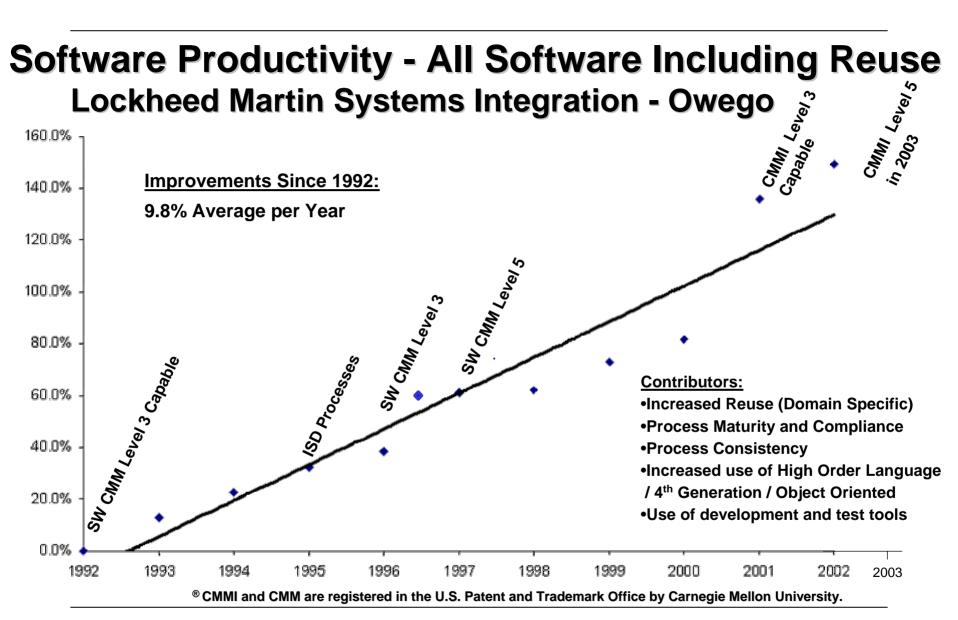
Bottom-line: improved profitability

Software Quality Lockheed Martin Systems Integration - Owego

Software Defects per Million Delivered Source Lines of Code

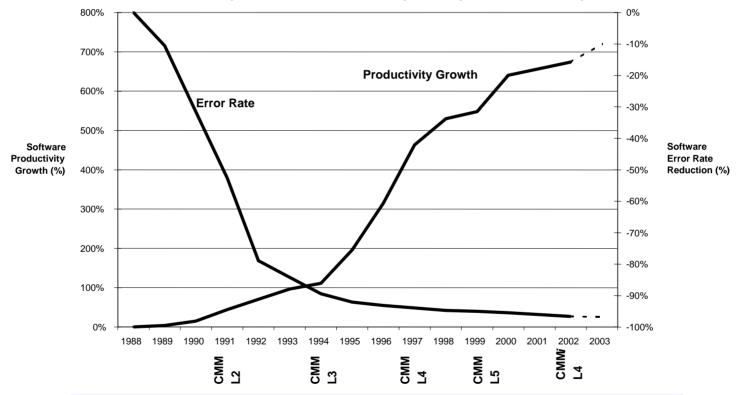


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Software Productivity and Quality Lockheed Martin Maritime Systems & Sensors – Radar Systems

Lockheed Martin: NE&SS-Syracuse - Software Productivity & Quality Performance History



Software Productivity and Quality Performance Application of Best Practices and Investment Has Resulted in Significant Improvements in Quality and Cost. As error rates declined, productivity increased by 80+%.

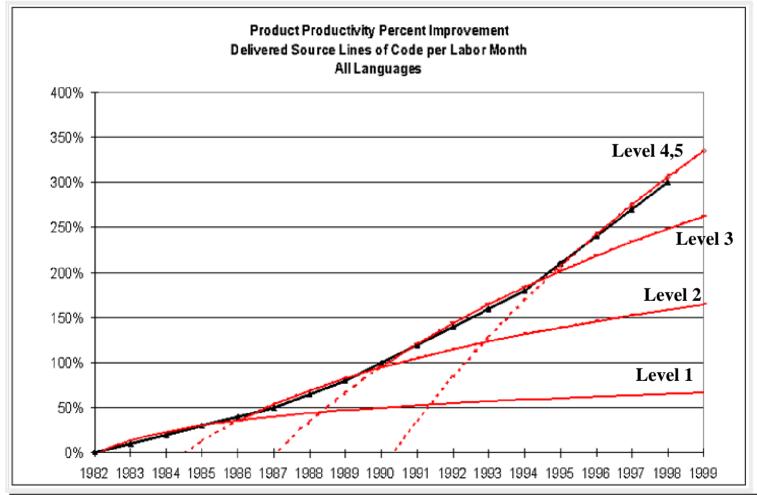
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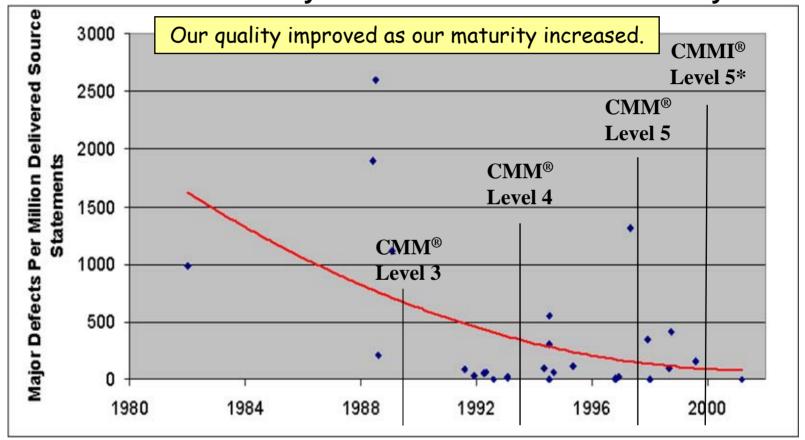
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Software Productivity vs. CMM® Maturity LevelLockheed Martin Maritime Systems & Sensors – Undersea Systems



Software Product Quality

Lockheed Martin Maritime Systems & Sensors – Undersea Systems



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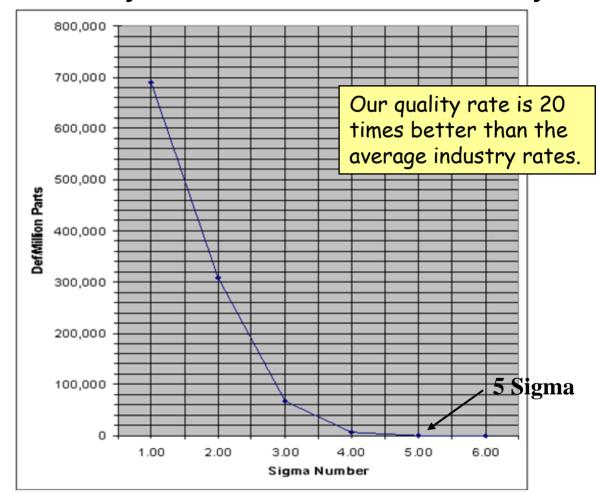
Software Quality

Lockheed Martin Maritime Systems & Sensors – Undersea Systems

Sigma	Defects/MS
1	690,000.0
2	308,537.0
3	66,807.0
4	6,210.0
5	233.0
6	3.4

MS = Million Source Statements

Product Quality Level is in Five Sigma Range

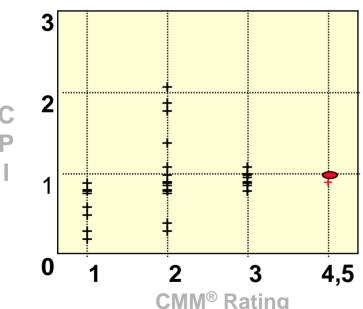


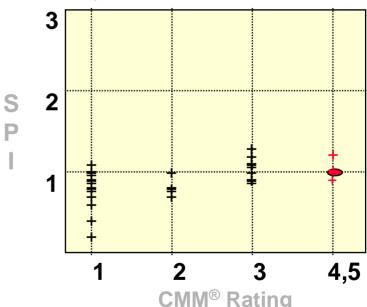
Predictability at CMM® Maturity Level 5 Lockheed Martin Maritime Systems & Sensors – Undersea Systems

Cost Performance Index (CPI) & Schedule Performance Index (SPI)

SCATTER PLOTS BETWEEN "1" AND "3" RATINGS ARE INDUSTRY SAMPLES.
LOCKHEED MARTIN DATA HAS BEEN ADDED IN RED.







Reference: "A Correlational Study of the CMM® and Software Development Performance"
Lawlis, Flowe & Thordahl, CROSSTALK, September 1995

Process Improvement Return-on-Investment

Lockheed Martin Maritime Systems & Sensors – Undersea Systems

		SW-CMM®	SW-CMM®	SW-CMM®	CMMI®
		Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	Level 5*
Improvement	Metric	1990	1995	1999	2002
Quality	Defects/MDSS**	600	300	150	51
Productivity	ESS***/Labor Month	220	280	340	379
Cost & Schedule	+- Variance	15%	10%	8%	8%
Rework	expressed as a % of				
	industry average	6%	3%	2%	2%
Reuse	Percent	68%	75%	82%	82%

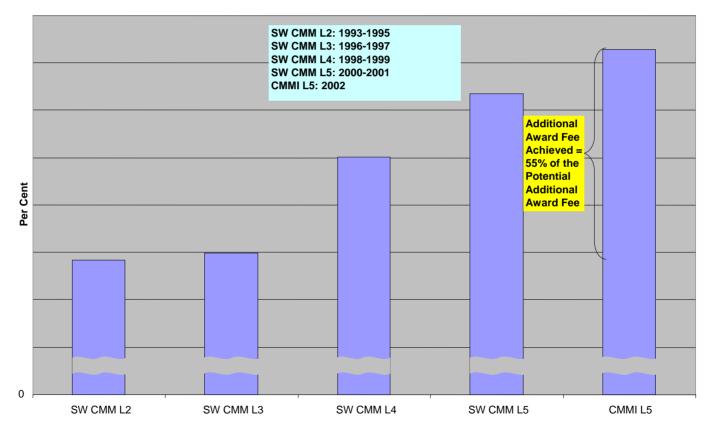
Other initiatives underway during this period included

- ISO 9001 registration, followed by AS9000
- Integrated Teaming, and creation of an Integrated Process Library
- Integration of Systems Engineering and SW Engineering

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Award FeeLockheed Martin Integrated Systems & Solutions

Award Fee vs CMM Level

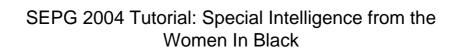


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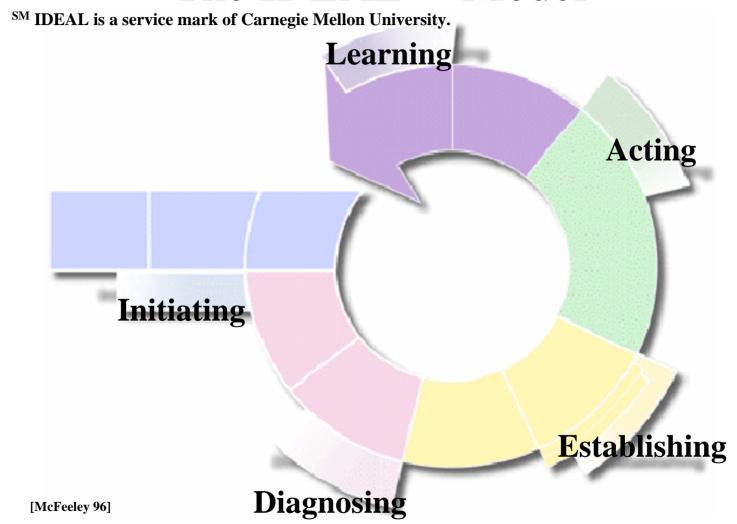
"Elevator Speech" (Mistakes vs. Proven Winners)

- Selling maturity levels instead of business results
 - "Getting to level 4 will put us one level above our competition" versus
 - "Fewer product defects will reduce cost and improve customer satisfaction"
- Setting unrealistic expectations
 - "We can make Maturity Level 3 in three months" versus

"Let's conduct an informal benchmark appraisal and use the results to formulate our improvement plan"



The IDEALSM Model



Initiating Phase - Sponsorship



- Fundamentals, including the model, life cycle and principles of managing technology change
- Align process improvement objectives with business objectives
- Obtain *long-term funding* commitment



Diagnosing Phase - Appraisal

- **Educate** on the appraisal
 - Method, likely results (especially for initial appraisals), schedule template
- Clearly identify sponsor actions
 - Appraisal plan approval, including project selection
 - Active participation in appraisal (sponsor kickoff, interview, out-brief, action planning)

Establishing Phase - Plans

- Ensure plans include intermediate,
 measurable milestones
- Establish top level "one chart" plans
- Identify key resource dependencies
 - Key people are always in high demand
- Plan to run process improvement as a project
 - Identify WBS, cost/schedule, risks, etc.



Acting Phase – Actions and Status

- Provide quantitative process improvement progress status regularly to the sponsor
 - Monthly meetings recommended
- Refresh/remind regarding required sponsor actions
 - Communications
 - Briefings
 - Recognition
 - Progress assessment



Learning Phase – What's Next?

- Communicate quantitatively what will be improved on the next cycle
 - Leverage lessons learned from our successes/failures and factor improvements into the next cycle
 - Advertise completion of a "cycle" and what happens next

The Executive Perspective - Summary

Executive



- Educate
- Communicate quantitatively
- Know and relate to business objectives
- Plan for ongoing, continued engagement
 - Status reviews
 - Continued executive involvement

The Manager Perspective





- Special Concerns
- Crucial Questions
- Secret Answers

Special Concerns of the Manager

Fast Action



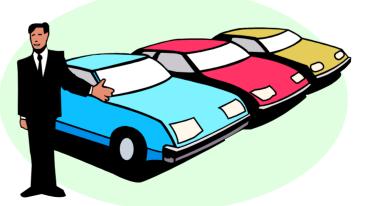
The Balancing Act (Needs, Resources)

Looking Competent



What's the Secret to...

- ...selling managers on committing to SPI?
- ...getting people to pay attention to this?



Expanding the Scope of the SPI Job

- Recognize that you are marketing and selling SPI as a "product" and also acting as a collaborative internal consultant
- Use established methods
 - Marketing
 - Sales
 - Internal Consulting

Marketing

- Market Segmentation
 - Develop your organizational market
- Market Research
 - Research the "needs" of each market
- Marketing Channels
 - Develop appropriate communication channels and delivery methods to appeal to the market

Market Segmentation

- Make a list of every single possible group, subgroup, informal group you can think of in your organization
- 2. Look for similarities between groups, such as responsibilities, actual work, client groups, demographics, etc.. Group together where it makes sense (Remember, nothing is set in concrete)
- 3. List groups and capture work responsibilities, concerns, and communication channels (see matrix on next slide)
- 4. Research SPI needs of each group

SPI Market Segmentation Example

Group	Primary Work Responsibilities	Primary SPI Concerns	Preferred Communication Channels
Senior / Middle	Fiscal Health	Cost to implement	Email
Management	Customer Satisfaction Future Business Opportunities	Capability of internal implementation staff Actual "level" of the organization	Paper report/memo Weekly staff briefing
		Impact on organizational morale.	

SPI Market Segmentation Example

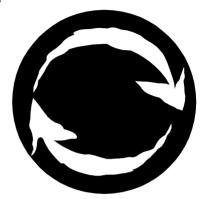
Group	Primary Work Responsibilities	Primary SPI Concerns	Preferred Communication Channels
Project Managers	Deliver product Manage development staff	Cost to implement Impact on delivery schedule Impact on group morale Impact on "position" in the organization Capability of internal implementation staff	Email Face-to-face Weekly staff briefing

Sales

- Customer Identification
 - Building person-to-person relationships
- Needs Analysis
 - Finding out the individual clients' wants and needs and helping to fill them
- Recommendations, Benefits, Commitments
 - The engagement involves not just price, but also value

Sales Life Cycle

- Customer Identification
 - Clients, Needs
 - Decision Makers and Influencers
- Needs Analysis
 - Collect Requirements, Information & Sources
 - Preferences/ Dislikes
 - Questions to Ask
- Recommendations, Commitment
 - Problem and Solution Sets
 - Proposal with Benefits and Reason to Buy
 - Packaging and Closing the Sale



Developing the Message

- Who's the client? (Manager)
- What is the action you want them to take when you get done selling? (Commit to SPI)
- Why would they want to do this? (Benefits)
- How do they do it? (Solution steps)
- What is the best channel? (Communication Plan)
- What language do they speak?
 (Big picture, bottom line first, or benefits first)
- What additional information do you need to sell? (Industry ROI, internal ROI, Competitive benchmarking data, hero information, etc.)

The Business Case for SPI

A report by DoD Data & Analysis Center for Software (DACS) found that application of SPI to an "Example organization with example projects":

Development costs Reduced 73%

Rework costs Reduced 96%

Average schedule length Reduced 37%

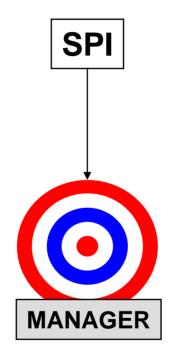
Post-release defects Reduced 80%

Weighted risk likelihood Reduced 92%

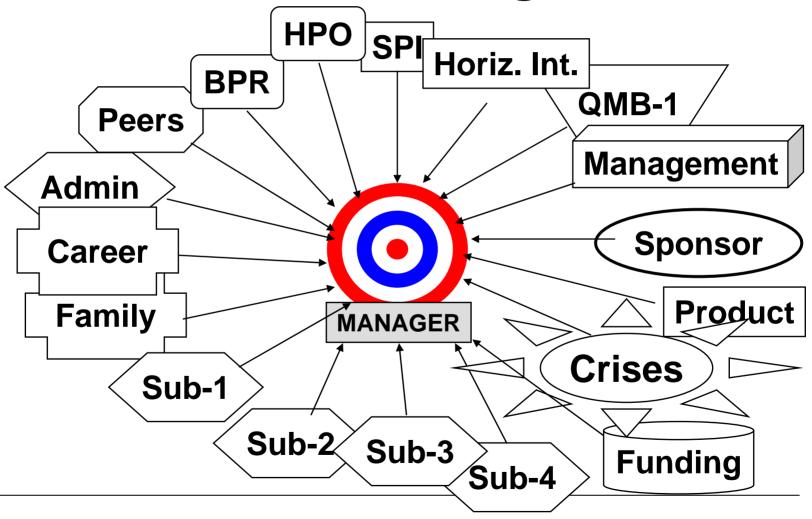
Return on Investment 21:1

A Business Case for SPI Revised – Measuring ROI from Software Engineering and Management. DACS, September 1999 see http://www.dacs.dtic.mil/techs/roispi2/

Process Group View of Communication with Managers



But this is the Manager's view...



Internal Consulting Roadblocks

Inside the Organization: Inside of You

- Politics & the Hierarchy
- Boss-Subordinate Relationship
- Negotiating Confidentiality
- Walking out is not an option
- Lack of Authority

- Anxiety & Self-Doubt
- Delivering unpopular messages
- Setting Parameters& saying "NO"
- Juggling Clients& Workload

Internal Consultant Roles to Play

Change Leader

Offers strong facilitation & organizational influence

Committed Partner

Serves the client with collaborative orientation

Business Driver

Emphasizes performance management and results

Trusted Advisor

Serves as a confidant for authentic communication

Grounded Expert

Has specific performance improvement expertise

Insightful Observer

Applies systems thinking & rigorous inquiry

Ground Rules for Contracting

- Write down contracts.
 Most are broken out of neglect, not intent.
- 2. Contracts require specific time deadlines or durations.



4. Social contracts are always renegotiable. If someone wants to renegotiate a contract in midstream, be grateful they are telling you & not just doing it without a word.

Contracting Expectations

You can ...

- ...contract for behavior, but not for the other person to change their feelings
- ...say no even to clients
- ...negotiate for what you want
- All wants are legitimate it is a birthright

You can't...

- ...get something for nothing. There must be consideration on both sides
- ...ask for something the other person doesn't have, or promise something you don't have
- ...contract with someone who's not in the room

The Manager Perspective - Summary

Manager •



- See Managers as Clients and Customers
- Understand Managers Needs
- Use Market Segmentation and Sales Cycles
- Develop Consulting Skills
- Know the Ground Rules for Contracting

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The Developer Perspective

Developer

- Special Concerns
- Crucial Questions
- Secret Answers



Special Concerns of the Developer

Improving Personal Competence



• Schedule Pressure



What's the Secret to...

- ...getting developers to invest time in SPI?
- ...getting people to adopt changes?



(Remember who they are, what they like, and what the need...)

Problems and Why

Analysis Paralysis:
 Developers get caught
 in their own mental loop



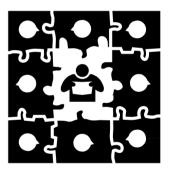
No time for this SPI stuff:

Developers are Very Very Busy



The Waiting Game:

Developers Play Follow the Leader



Simple Situation Analysis

Use a checklist or questionnaire with areas to focus discussion...



Today	Tomorrow
What do you do in this area today?	What do you want to be doing in this area in the future?

Define Results, Needs, Activities

Results	Needs	Activities
What desired results do we want to achieve?	What do we need to change to affect this result?	What tasks do we expect to be done to effect the needed change?
How much improvement can we expect?	How soon do we need this result to improve?	Can this be done on time, to get the desired results?
Prioritize by Impact	Prioritize by Urgency	Prioritize by Feasibility
		- Caputo

Sample Worksheet

Results	Needs	Activities
Produce quality software	Need to meet all requirements	Manage requirementsManage changesHold peer reviews
	Need to reduce defects delivered	Conduct testingManage configurationsPerform SQA
Deliver to customer on time	Need to schedule activities and track status	Plan activitiesDevelop scheduleTrack actual progressReact to deviations
Deliver within budget	Need to budget our activities, track progress	 Plan activities Identify resource needs Develop budget Track actual costs React to deviations

Insight about Buy-in

To get buy-in for improvement activities, sell <u>results</u> to executives, and sell <u>needs</u> to managers and developers.



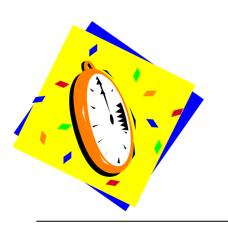


If you talk to executives about <u>needs</u>, you'll sound like you're complaining.

If you talk to managers and developers about <u>results</u>, you'll sound like you're out of touch with reality.

The 10-hour rule

1 hour in inspection can catch bugs,



where if the same bugs escape to test, it takes 10 hours to find and fix,

where if the same bugs escape to customers, it takes 100 hours or more to find and fix.

Bottom-line

2 hours in inspection in one week



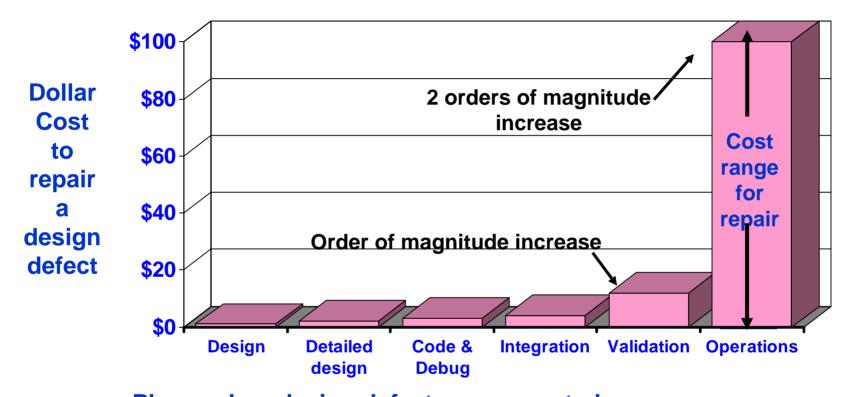
Saves at least 20 hours of rework downstream

That is a savings of $\frac{1}{2}$ a week of work for every inspection

Defect Detection and Cost Changes as Process Maturity Increases

		Req'ts.	Design	Code	Functional Test	System Test	Field Use	
Where Defects are Introduced		10%	40%					Relative Cost for
Relative Cost to Fix		\$1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$6	\$12	\$100	100 Fixes
Where Defects	Level 1	0%	0%	2%	15%	50%	33%	\$4,000
	Level 2	0%	0%	3%	30%	50%	17%	\$2,500
Are Detected	Level 3	0%	2%	20%	38%	32%	8%	\$1,400
	Level 4	3%	12%	30%	30%	20%	5%	\$1,000
	Level 5	5%	20%	40%	20%	10%	<5%	\$800

Example of How SPI Can Save Money: Cost to Repair Design Defects



Phase when design defect was corrected Source: SEPG Conference, 1999

- SEI found: Rework is 40% 50% of project costs
 - High-maturity organizations can get rework to <10% of costs

 (Paulk, 1999)

Find the Leaders

- Developers follow other Developers
 - Credibility of the Process Group Lead
 - Should be someone who developed code
 - Should be someone developers will not ignore
- Critical Mass of Thoughtshare is only 18%
 - Credibility of Development Champions
 - Select Champions out of the Development Pool from opinion leaders with respected opinions
 - Give them the knowledge; let them evangelize

How to Prevent Backsliding

Meeting Agenda for Process Improvement

- Get the right people at the meeting and ask...
 - One thing the process Must Include
 - One thing the process Should NOT Include
- Ask for clarification, and edit
 - What did you mean by that?
 - Does everyone agree, or what should it be?
 - If agreed, adopt it, if no agreement, drop it
- Write the process using these points exactly



The Developer Perspective - Summary

Developer



- Keep it simple... They are busy
- Simple Techniques:
 - Today/ Tomorrow
 - Results/Needs/Activities
- Save them time
- Find the Leaders

The Process Group Perspective



- Special Concerns
- Crucial Questions
- Secret Answers



Special Concerns of the Process Group

- Improving
 Organizational Capability
- Energy and Motivation
- The Human Element





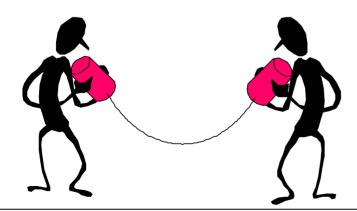


What's the Secret to...

...dealing with the human element?

• ...getting people to listen to you?





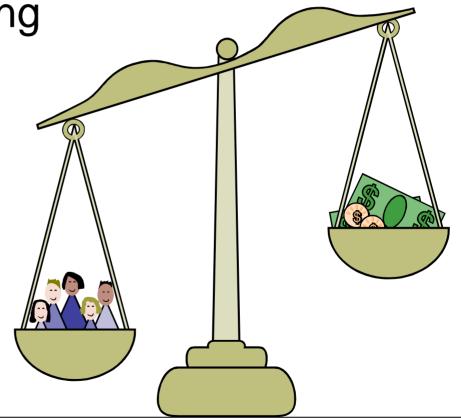
Dealing with the Human Element

Care and Feeding

Peer Pressure

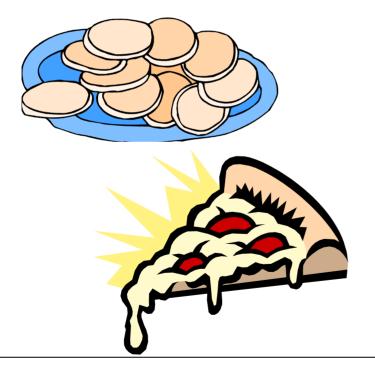
Time Pressure

Spirit



Care and Feeding

• Literally, "feeding" ...

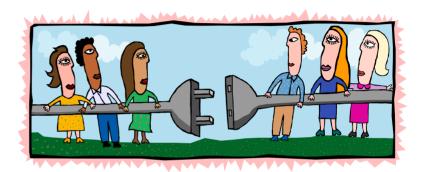






The Social Side...

- Rejuvenate people
- Interact as people



- Learn where everybody is coming from...
- Life history can color their ability to accept change
 - It could be something that happened 20 minutes ago or 20 years ago, you just don't know

Meeting Reminders

Do:

- Be respectful of people's time
- Have an agenda and stick to it
- Watch body language
- Work the crowd
- Watch out for the strong silent type...

Don't

- Be process fanatics
- Stick to the letter of the law
- Let the tools use you; you use the tools
- Forget to smile or laugh ...

Put your whole body into it!

 Your presence makes a difference.

 When Executives show up, people are appreciative.
 It shows you care!

Some executives think:
 "They'll think I'm interfering"



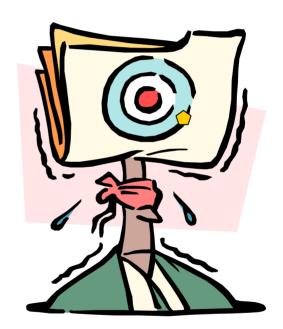
 Importance of your presence applies equally to SPI teams and project teams



Peer Pressure

- Executive Status Reviews
 - A few presentations
 - Walk around view of Wall Charts
 - Face time for teams





"You'd think after 5 years of SPI, Jim's radar would be a little bigger"

Process Reuse: a Learning Tool

- Rethink your goal
 - "How close to the finish line can I start?"
- Borrow with honor
 - shamelessly steal and edit process artifacts
- Find it Fast
 - It has to be easier to find than to reinvent



Time Pressure

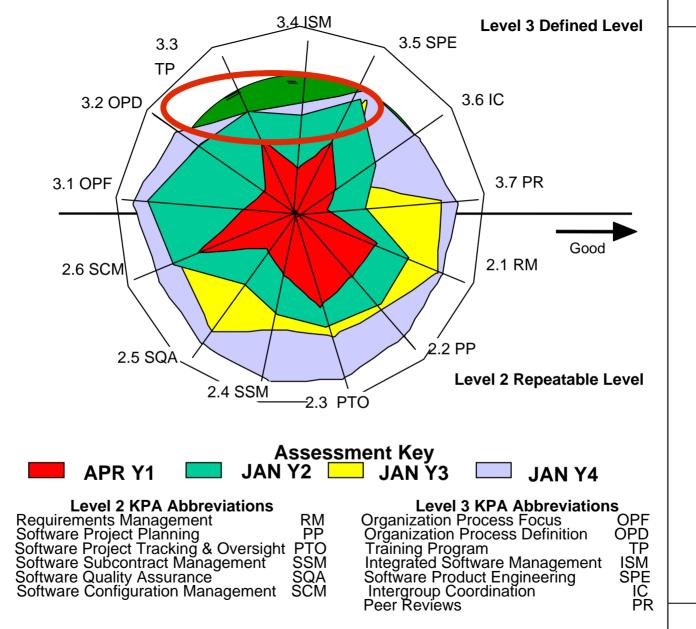
- Visual Charts
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- If they don't get it in 10 seconds, they won't bother trying
- If it's too detailed,
 use highlighting or color
 to draw attention to the point











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Architecture	Technology	Technology Type	zone	business	implement
	XML	Data/Knowledge	1	1	2
	text analysis	Data/Knowledge	1	2	2
	data, analysis, decision support	Data/Knowledge	1	1	2
	content based retrieval	Data/Knowledge	2	1	3
	Brilliant content	Data/Knowledge	2	3	3
	Audio Mining	Data/Knowledge	4	3	3
	Intelligent Agents	Data/Knowledge	1	2	3
	speech recognition	Input	2	2	2
	natural language processing	Input	2	3	4
	display technologies	Output	2	2	3
	digital ink	Output	3	3	4
	handwriting recognition	Input	2	2	3
	speech synthesis	Output	2	3	2
	wearables (embedded				
	miniature computers)	Device	4	3	3
	Automatic Platform Adjustment	Transport/Connectivity	2	1	3
	Enterprise Portals	Data/Knowledge	1	1	2
	Voice Portals	Data/Knowledge	2	2	2
	Quantum Computing	Device	4	3	4
	Web tops	Data/Knowledge	2	2	3
	Linux	Device	1	1	1
	B2B Electronic Commerce	Application	1	1	2
	CRMs	Application	1	1	3
	ASP's	Application	1	2	4
	Workflow engines	Application	1	1	3
	Wireless Web (WAP/WML)	Transport/Connectivity	2	1	2
	DSL/Cable modems	Transport/Connectivity	1	2	2
	Enterprise Directory/w LDAP	Access	2	2	3
	Digital Authorization	Access	1	2	2
	Biometrics	Access	2	2	3
	Smartcards	Access	2	2	2
	Voice over IP	Transport/Connectivity	1	3	4
	Bluetooth	Transport/Connectivity	2	1	2
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Props and Backdrops

 Little Books or Reference Cards

Purple Book Guide to SPI

- ISO 9000 Reference Card

- CMM Posters
- Wall Charts



Iconize Your Spirit

 Give your team a name and graphic with meaning they can relate to



As Predictable as the Rising Sun...







Phoenix Rising from the ashes...
Unsurpassed Excellence





Use SPI ROI Data To Your Advantage

- Software Engineering Institute 1994 study: Average of 5:1 ROI for 13 organizations engaged in SPI
- Navy FMSO: saved over \$2 million using Formal Inspections
- Air Logistics Center: 7.5:1 ROI, 10X productivity increase
- Raytheon: Achieved a 7.7:1 ROI with 2:1 productivity gains, defect rate reduced by 4.2X, reduced testing effort by 1/2. Received \$9.6M bonus for early delivery
- PRC: Reduced documentation defects by 78%, code defects by 70%, defects found in operation by 60%, increased ability to meet monthly cost goals by 40%
- Boeing: Reduced cycle time up to 50%, increased productivity 240%, and realized a cost-to-benefit ratio of 1:7
- Ogden Air Logistics Center: Spent ~\$5M to reach Level 5; received over \$100M in new work (19-to-1 ROI)

Intangible Benefits of SPI

At Ogden Air Logistics Center - CrossTalk, May 1999

- Positive influence on working environment
- Beneficial structure provided to the development process
- Fewer surprises and last-minute glitches, "fire drills" reduced
- Better quality software; overtime & unhappy customers reduced

At Boeing Space Transportation Systems - IEEE Software, Oct 1999

- Employee satisfaction up from 74% to 96%
- Employees motivated to eliminate defects, improve quality

At SSC San Diego Costs and Benefits of SPI, Karen D. Prenger

- Better management control over project, team communication
- Better overall performance of the software
- Improved morale of team, less overtime, absenteeism
- Increased competitive advantage and repeat business

At multiple sites - DACS: Business Case for SPI Revised

- Improved customer satisfaction
- Improved professional staff

Benefits of SPI at SSC San Diego

Testimonials from Level 3 Project Managers about SPI:

- We have been awarded new work based on our SPI efforts
- We have fewer surprises, last minute glitches, and fire drills
- We have fewer risks this year because we learned from our Risk Management Plan from last year
- We are now consistently producing builds with zero defects
- We produced more complex builds in less time
- Implementing Peer Reviews and other process improvements significantly reduced the problems found and the testing efforts (e.g., reduced trouble reports by 71%, time to conduct tests by 33%, time to fix all trouble reports by 70%)
- We have better communication across the team, and people know what they are supposed to be doing
- The project people have told me they would not work on another project without a defined processes
- I feel I am a much better project manager

The Process Group Perspective Summary

Process Group



- Care and Feeding
- Use Visual Techniques
- Know Yourself and Your Audience
 - Talk the Way They Listen
 - Use Data to Your Advantage

The SECRET Decoding Chart

NO – NO time, no way Loop Re-Entry Points SE - Sell & Enlighten Get Managers to Support it C – Communicate Expectations Often • Get Developers to Follow it R - Reorganization Get Executive Sponsorship SE - Sell & Enlighten Get Champions Involved MA – This doesn't Apply to Me T - Tailor things to fit Learn From Experience new situations Learn From Experience L – Will they ever Learn? RE – Rejuvenate & Encourage

One More Secret: SPI Leadership



"As for the best leaders,
the people do not notice their existence.
The next best, the people honor and praise.
The next, the people fear,
and the next, the people hate.
When the best leader's work is done,
the people say, "We did it ourselves"."

Lao-Tsu, 6th Century BC

Special Intelligence from the Women In Black

QUESTIONS

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