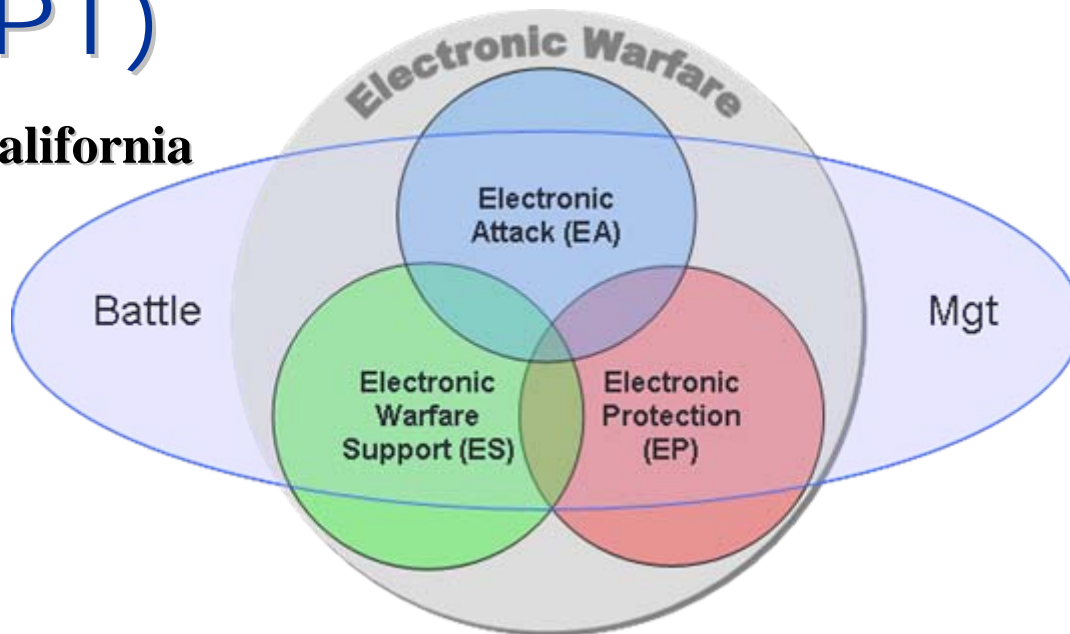




The Airborne Electronic Attack Integrated Product Team (AEA IPT)

Point Mugu, California



AEA IPT Process Improvement

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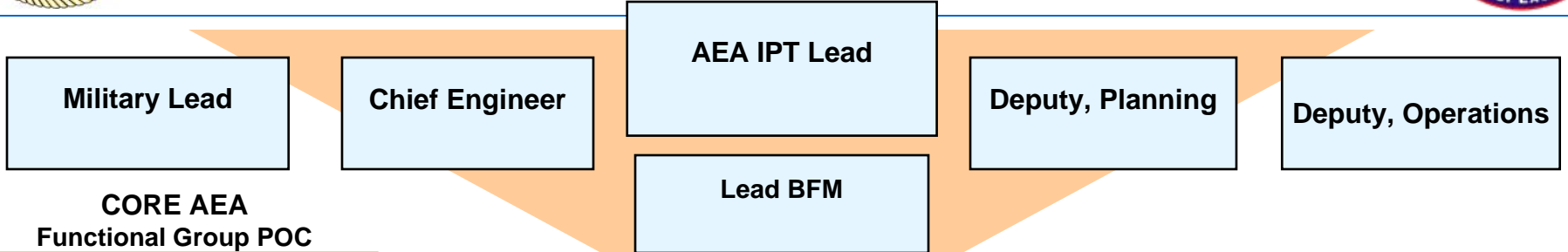


Agenda

- **Introduction of AEA IPT**
- **Process Improvement Objectives for FY09**
- **Customizing processMax[®]**
 - processMax[®] overview
 - Customize for System and Software Development Project
 - Customize for Data Base Development Project (EWDS)
 - Customize to integrate Lean Six Sigma (LSS) and CMMI high maturity level practices
- **Integrate NAVAIR Lean Six Sigma into AEA IPT critical processes**
 - Quantitative Defect Management (QDM)
 - Quantitative Requirements Management (QRM)
 - Causal Analysis and Resolution (CAR)



Organization Structure Airborne Electronic Attack IPT



- Intelligence Operations
- EW Sensor Engineering
- Jammer Techniques Optimization
- EA Systems Engineering
- Software Development
- Avionics / Sensors Laboratories
- EA Integrated Test & Evaluation
- EW Battle Space Management
- EA Interference Cancellation
- EA Jammers

EA-6B ICAP II Block

EA-6B ICAP III Block



EA-18G / AEA

- ACQUISITION AND FLEET SUPPORT Product Teams**
- EW Database Support (EWDS)
 - ETIRMS UPC
 - EA-6B MPE / UPC
 - EA-6B Aircrew Trainers
 - Next Generation Jammer Pod
 - EA-18G AEA UPC
 - E-2C/MH-60 HAWK Tool
 - Intrepid Tiger Pod
 - Joint EW Effects Lab

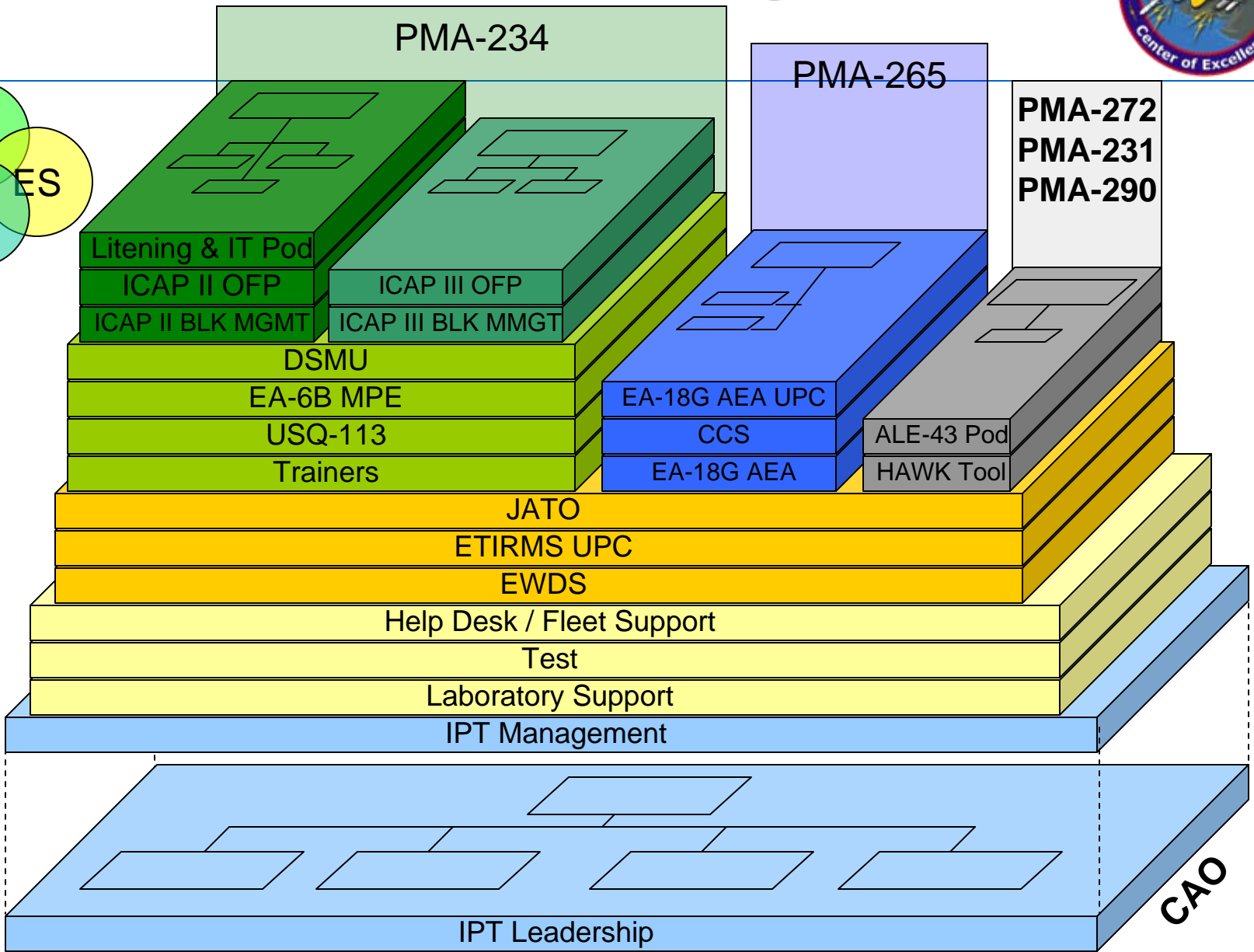
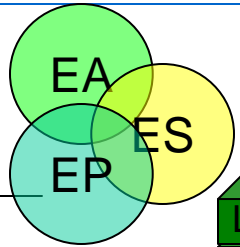
Fleet Help Desk

Process Improvement Lead
Contracting Officer Rep
Training Manager





Sponsor Product Alignment





AEA Products / Services



- **Electronic Warfare Database Support (EWDS)**
 - EOB product to all Navy Aircraft using JMPS
 - EA-6B, EA-18G, F/A-18C/D, F/A-18E/F, MH-60, E-2C, AV-8B, ...
 - ETIRMS & EWDS to Navy, Air Force, NSA, JSF, MMA and other customers
- **AEA Mission Planning**
 - EW Tactical Information and Report Management System (ETIRMS) Unique Planning Component (UPC) for EA-6B & EA-18G
 - EA-18G AEA UPC
 - EA-6B Mission Planning Environment (MPE) + MH-60/E-2C HAWK Tool
- **AEA Jammer Techniques Optimization (JATO)**
- **EA-6B ICAP II and ICAP III Block & GWOT Upgrades**
 - Software Maintenance, Integration, and Test (including Aircrew Trainers)
 - Block System Upgrade Design, Development, Integration and Test
- **EA-18G AEA Block Upgrades**
 - Including AEA Systems Engineering + Integrated Test & Evaluation
- **Intrepid Tiger Pod Software Support Activity**

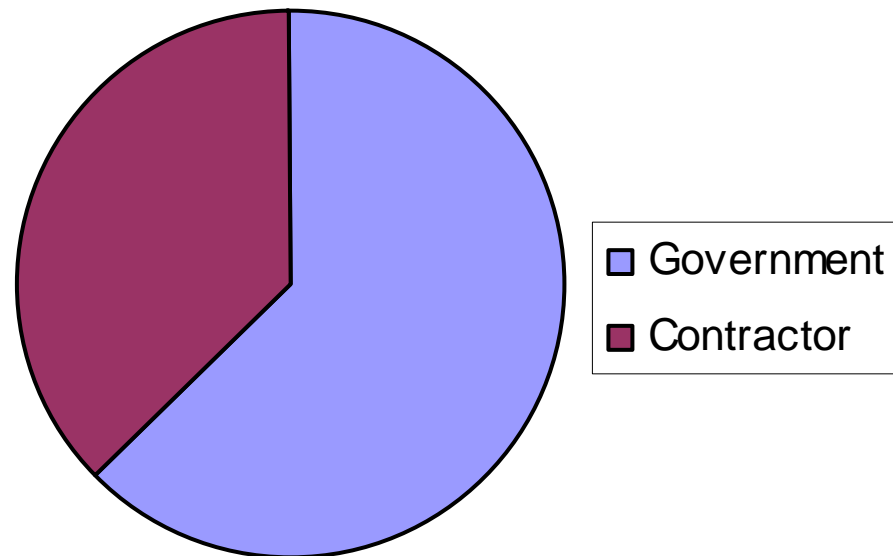


AEA IPT Team Composition



78 Support Contractor Personnel

- Northrop Grumman
- L-3 Corporation
- Wyle Labs
- Digital Wizards
- GBL, JTI & SIMSUM



130+ Direct Funded Government Employees
2 Military Officers (Excluding 1 vacancy)

Personnel with AEA Expertise:

- Over 85% Engineers
- AEA On-site System Engineering Expertise is Still Largest in Nation
- Depth of AEA Experience averages over 10 years per individual



Process Status



**AEA IPT achieved CMMI Level 3 in
June 2007**



FY 09 Process Objectives



**Improve Performance by implementing
Continuous Process Improvement (CPI)**

**NAVAIR Lean Six Sigma (LSS)
per
DoD Directive 5010.42**



DoD Directive 5010.42



- **Strengthen joint operational Combatant Command and Military Department capabilities including making improvements in:**
 - (1) Productivity
 - (2) Performance against mission (availability, reliability, cycle time, investment, and operating costs)
 - (3) Safety - Flexibility to meet DoD mission needs - Energy efficiency
- **CPI/LSS programs shall be used to help meet organizational objectives**
 - CPI/LSS methods, terminology, training plans, and other program elements may be adapted as required
 - Given diverse operational requirements, the DoD Components shall have full flexibility to identify CPI/LSS focus areas and training plans and may adapt other CPI/LSS program elements for their use



AEA IPT Strategy to Implement DoDD 5012.42 (1)



- **Responsible Parties**

- AEA IPT Management Team and Competency Aligned Organization (CAO)
- Product Leads, Project Managers and Team Members
- Process Management Team

- **Define and align AEA IPT Performance Objectives with NSPS**

- For each product release:
 - Improve Cost by X%
 - Improve Schedule by X%
 - Improve Quality by X%





AEA IPT Strategy to Implement DoDD 5012.42 (2)



- **Ensure consistent Organizational performance**
 - Customize processMax[®] to integrate Lean Six Sigma (LSS) tool sets and to support non-software products (EWDS, JATO)
 - Integrate LSS Tool Sets into Critical Process Activities
 - Quantitative Defect Management (QDM)
 - Quantitative Requirements Management (QRM)
 - Earned Value Management (EVM)
 - Causal Analysis and Resolution (CAR)
- **Integrate AIRSpeed LSS Methodology into AEA IPT Culture**
 - Conduct Lessons Learned to evaluate past performance, identify improvement opportunities and implement Organizational Change Requests (OCRs) using LSS projects:
 - Black Belt, Green Belt, etc.



Customizing processMax[®]

DOD-NAVAIR Directed
Continuous Process
Improvement (CPI) by
Integrating Lean Six Sigma
into critical processes



processMax[®] Tool Overview



- **A web-based project management software tool used for project and organization personnel to follow a defined process.**
 - Includes all processes, procedures, guidelines, criteria, templates, and forms used by the organization
 - Serves as a document repository for project and organizational work products
 - Provides configuration management capabilities that include version control, change control, and process history
 - Supports project management activities such as project planning, tracking of Actions/Issues, Decisions, Risks, Role Assignments, Defects, Training status, etc.
 - Provides the structure to ensure that a standard project process is followed by all projects and allows for the tailoring of those processes as needed



AEA IPT

processMax[®] Customization



- **A Decision Analysis and Resolution (DAR) process activity supported the decision to customize the existing CMM processMax[®] tool**
 - Critical factors in this decision included:
 - Pragma Systems delay in releasing a completed CMMI Level 3 version of processMax[®]
 - Concerns that the new release might not align with AEA IPT best practices
 - Costly manual transfer of project data to the new version
 - Modifications could be made quickly by AEA Process Management Team to existing processMax[®] interface to rapidly deploy CMMI across the Organization
 - Projects Team would not have to learn a new tool
 - ✓ Training efforts could be concentrated on the new CMMI Process Activities



AEA IPT processMax[®] Customization Examples (1)



Measurement & Analysis (M&A) Process Activity

- **Simplify pMax**

- Helps projects by facilitating collaboration and collection of M&A artifacts

- **M&A Artifact repository contains:**

- Meeting agenda, minutes and measurement indicators
- Action item logs and decisions
- Electronic approvals of M&A Plan



Added new Project Measurement and Analysis work product and process steps to processMax[®]

My Work | Action Items/Issues | Decisions | Risks | Defects | Requests | Glossary | Utilities | Folder | Documents

Control Page | Standard AEA IPT Software Project Process Version 1.5

Project Measurement and Analysis Plan

Actions: [New](#) [Examples](#) [Templates](#) [Report](#) [Export](#) [Archive](#) Display: [Workflow](#) [Folders](#) [Help](#)

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AEA IPT processMax[®] Customization Examples (2)



Modified Process Steps

Process developed and aligned with NAVAIR Engineering Guidelines

Process step description reflects actual practices

Senior Manager - Graves, Allan E
 Product Lead - Clarke, Lynne A
 Project Manager - Bukowski, Dan
 Configuration Manager - Taylor, Debra A
 Standards Compliance Manager - Davis, David
 Subcontract Manager - Clarke, Lynne A
 Requirements Engineering Lead - Puckett, Ken

- Establish and Maintain the Operational Concepts and Scenarios
- Establish and Maintain Functional Requirements Document (FRD)
- Establish and Maintain System and Subsystem Specification (SSS)**
- Establish and Maintain Interface Requirements Specification (IRS)
- Prepare to Analyze Requirements
- Analyze Requirements
- Validate Requirements Using Comprehense Methods
- Prepare Requirements Traceability Matrix
- Prepare Software Requirements Statistics Report

Design Lead - Beylin, Chris
 Programmers - Alquist, James G, Andrews, Ramona, Beylin, Chris, Blanchard
 Testing Lead - Pacleb, Tony
 Product Documentation Lead - Hudson, Stephen A

Establish and Maintain System and Subsystem Specification (SSS)

[Required Reading](#) [Required Personnel](#) [Outputs](#)

DESCRIPTION: The System/Subsystem Specification (SSS) specifies the requirements for a system or subsystem and the methods to be used to ensure that each requirement has been satisfied. The SSS is used as the basis for project design and qualification testing. It is recommended that the SSS be developed using the format and contents in DI-IPSC-81431.

PROCESS STEP:

Analyze and develop a System / Subsystem Specification (SSS): The Requirements Lead shall coordinate with relevant stakeholders to analyze and transform the FRD into SSS requirements that meet established acceptance criteria. The SSS shall be developed to formalize customer requirements, such that they clearly communicate desired system/software product attributes to the developers.

Verification: The Requirements Lead shall schedule a technical review or peer review of the SSS to find defects that require corrective action. Any significant defects found shall result in the return of the SSS to the [analyze and develop a SSS] process step.

Validation: The Project Manager and Requirements Lead will conduct Technical Interchange Meetings to provide assurance that the SSS, as formally presented, accurately reflects stakeholder expectations for the system and subsystem. Each of the stakeholders must verify that their needs are being met by the SSS. System Risk are identified and reconciled among the stakeholders. Any deviations from their expectations shall be negotiated with the sponsor and Project Manager.

Obtain commitment and approval: On concurrence that the SSS meets mission objectives, as stated by the stakeholders, and that the acceptance criteria have been met, the SSS shall be approved and placed under configuration control. The Requirements Lead shall enter the SSS into the processMax system.

Added new process steps to implement AEA IPT best practices





Incorporation of Lean Six Sigma (1)



Accurate defect data capture is critical for project performance using the LSS Measure and Analysis Phase

processMax 5.0e - Dry Run - Update Form - Defect - 3 - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by N... Set Sev

Severity: * Critical

Number of Actual Defects: * 1

Select Defect Category Required Reading

Requirement Defect Category: *
Hold the Control key down while using the mouse to select or deselect items.
Correctness
Completeness
Consistency

Design Defect Category: *
Hold the Control key down while using the mouse to select or deselect items.
Logic
Input
Data Handling

Code Defect Category: *
Hold the Control key down while using the mouse to select or deselect items.
Logic
Input
Data Handling

Select Quality Characteristics Required Reading

Quality Characteristics Affected: *
Hold the Control key down while using the mouse to select or deselect items.
Functionality
Functionality
Reliability
Usability
Efficiency
Maintainability

Discovered Via: * Peer Review

Life Cycle Phase Originated: * Planning

Life Cycle Phase Discovered: * Code and Unit Test

Defect categories were redefined to accurately reflect project environment and source of defects

LSS: DEFINE – MEASURE – ANALYZE – IMPROVE – CONTROL





Incorporation of Lean Six Sigma (2)



LSS tool sets and procedures, like Fish Bone and Five Whys, are integrated into processMax® to guide users in performing cause and effect analysis

As defects are fixed, improvement proposals are identified and LSS projects are initiated via OCRs

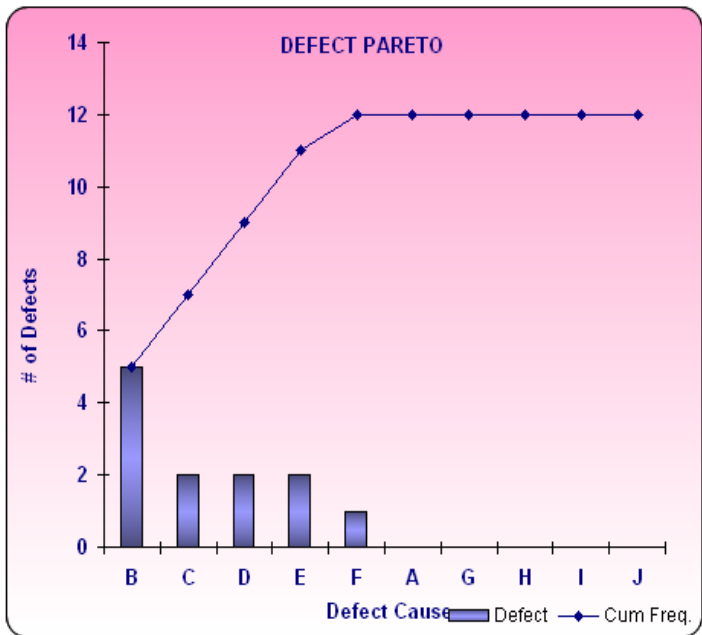


Cause and Defect Analysis Required Reading

Root Cause Description: *	<div style="border: 1px solid gray; height: 100px;"></div>
Improvement Proposal Type: *	<p><i>Hold the Control key down while using the mouse to select or deselect items.</i></p> <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 2px;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tools Methods <li style="background-color: #000080; color: white;">Communications </div>
Improvement Proposal Description: *	<div style="border: 1px solid gray; height: 40px;"></div>



Incorporation of Lean Six Sigma (3)



Defect data can be extracted from processMax[®] into an Excel file to perform cause and effect analysis

Phase Detected	Phase Originated					Total
	Requireme	Design	Coding	System	OT/DT	
Requirements	46					46
Design	5	19				24
Coding	1	18	66			85
Software Integration	0	0	0			0
System Testing	1	9	54			64
OT/DT	0	0	0			0
Total	53	46	120			219





Improve Performance with Quantitative Defect Management

DoD-NAVAIR Directed Continuous Process Improvement (CPI) by Integrating Lean Six Sigma into critical processes



Quotations

Quality is never an accident, it is always the result of high intention, intelligent direction and skillful execution; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives." *William A. Foster*

"If we are busy doing rework for defects, we're not innovating AND we are costing the company lots of money." *Anonymous*

"Finding and fixing defects accounts for much of the cost of software development and maintenance." – Watts S. Humphrey

"It is much less expensive to prevent errors, than to rework, scrap, or service them." *Philip Crosby*

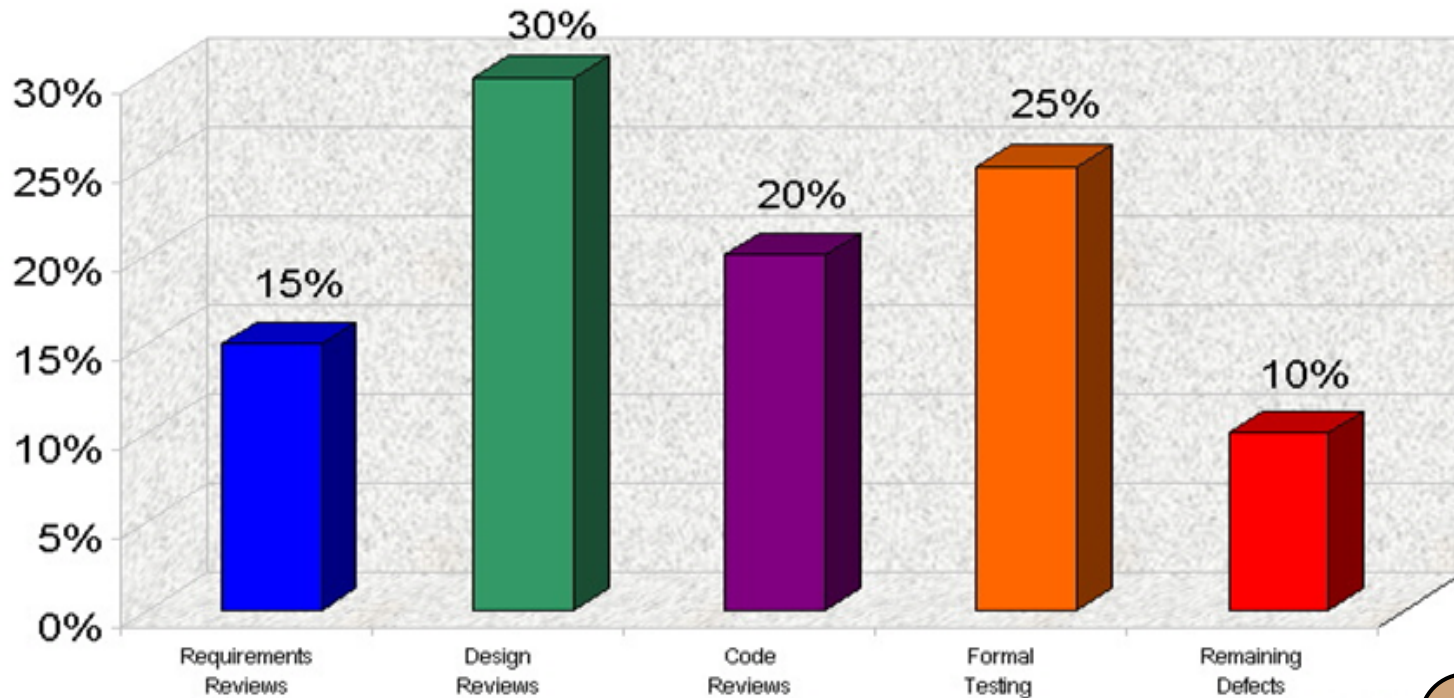


Introduction

Quantitative Defect Management (1)



Defect Removal by Phase



Facilitate gradual shift from
“Fix-on-Failure” to Prevention





Introduction

Quantitative Defect Management (2)

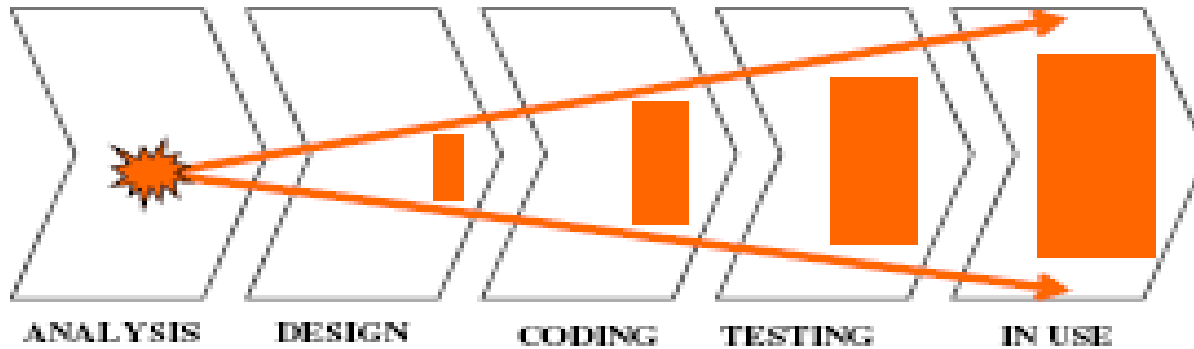


Table 1: *Time to Fix Defect That Escapes Stage (in hours)*

Requirement	Design	Coding	Development Test	Acceptance Test	During Operation
1	3-6	10	15-40	30-70	40-1,000

24 **CROSSTALK** The Journal of Defense Software Engineering

Defect removal effort can increase by 10 times for each stage it goes undetected



AEA IPT Lessons Learned



- **AEA IPT Best Practices**

- Test processes sufficiently robust to detect most defects
 - Quality of released product is consistently high across the AEA IPT

- **AEA IPT Improvement Opportunities**

- Need to improve defect detection during Requirements, Design and Code phases
 - Consistency in counting defects, in capturing effort / size & in logging defects



Three AIRSpeed Black Belt Projects



- **Three AIRSpeed Black Belt Projects Improved the Defect Removal Effectiveness (DRE) Process for Software Intensive Products:**
 - Requirements Development Phase
 - Design Phase
 - Code & Unit Testing Phase
- **Quantitative Defect Management Process Goals**
 - Discover and remove **more** defects earlier in the development lifecycle to support '**On-time**' delivery objectives
 - **Reduce rework** efforts to improve Cost and Schedule
 - **Improve** Quality Performance
 - Evolve Defect Detection Model



Strategy to Implement Quantitative Defect Management





- **Improve and Maintain Defect Prevention Techniques**
 - Measure the Effectiveness of each Peer Review
 - Statistically Analyze
 - Performance of each Peer Review
 - Defect removal effectiveness at the completion of each phase
- **Introduce Quantitative Defect Management Method**
 - Statistically Analyze Project performance against AEA IPT Performance baseline
 - Predict Quality and Cost Performance using a Defect Detection Model (DDM)
- **Introduce Causal Analysis and Resolution Process**
 - Determine Root Causes, take Corrective Actions to improve quality and prevent reoccurrence



Quantitative Defect Management (AEA IPT 7 Step Process)



Step 1: 
Lean Six Sigma
 Establish Baselines
 Using Historical
 Data

Step 2: 
Lean Six Sigma
 Establish Project
 Goals

Step 3:
 Establish Quality
 Control Target


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 Quantitative Project Management Dashboard

Project Name: AEA IPT PI


Ref. No.	Description of Measure	Org. Goal			Project Goal			Defect Removal Effectiveness		Phase End Latest	Prediction	Remarks/Comments
		Mean	UCL	LCL	Mean	UCL	LSL	Phase End	Latest			
1	DRE - Requirements Phase	50%	53%	48%	65%	67%	62%	150%	127%		Place Holder	
2	DRE - Design Phase	50%	53%	48%	62%	65%	58%	298%	124%		Place Holder	
3	DRE - Coding	45%	65%	57%	45%	49%	42%	154%	146%		Place Holder	

Estimated Project Size (in KLOC):		Peer Review Coverage:	
Planning	9.5	Requirements	100%
Requirement	10	Design	100%
Design	10	Code	50%
Actual Project Size (in KLOC):		Target	Actual
Code	11.00		85%
Release	11.20		75%

Step 4: 
Lean Six Sigma
 Statistically Manage
 Peer Reviews

Step 7: 
Lean Six Sigma
 Perform Causal
 Analysis and
 Resolution (CAR)

Step 6:
 Perform Phase
 End Review

Step 5: 
Lean Six Sigma
 Statistically Manage
 Defect Removal
 Effectiveness





Establish AEA IPT Performance Baselines



AEA IPT Quality & Process Performance Baseline

Baseline Last Revised On:

Product Quality:

	Defect Density:			
	Mean	UCL	LCL	Unit
Defect Density (All Phases)	36	39	33	KLOC
Residual Defect Density	0.2			KLOC

Defect Originated - Distribution

	Mean	UCL
Requirements	25.00%	27
Design	25.00%	
Coding		
Software Integration		
System Testing		

• Establish performance baselines for:

- Defect Density (all phase)
- Residual Defect Density

Process Performance:

Defect Removal Effectiveness:

Phase	Mean	UCL	LCL
Requirements	50%	53%	48%
Design	50%	53%	48%
Coding	45%	65%	57%

Sub Process Performance:

Sub Process	Attributes	Mean	UCL
Req. Peer Review	Defects/Unit Size	1	0
	Defects/ Review Time		
	Review Time/Unit Size		
Design Peer Review	Defects/Unit Size		
	Defects/ Review Time		
	Review Time/Unit Size		
Code Peer Review	Defects/Unit Size		
	Defects/ Review Time		
	Review Time/Unit Size		

• Defect Distribution (by Phase)

- Defect Removal Effectiveness
 - Requirement
 - Design
 - Code & UT

Peer Review Coverage:

Sub Process	Required	Tolerance
Req. Peer Review	100%	+/- 10%
Design Peer Review	100%	+/- 10%
Code Peer Review	50%	+/- 10%

- Peer Review (by Phase)
 - Defects/Unit Size
 - Defects/Review Time
 - Review Time/Unit Size





Establish Project Objectives



Define Project & Quality Performance Objectives

AEA IPT Business Goals and Objectives

AEA IPT Quality & Process Performance Objectives

Customer and Other Stakeholder's Objective

<Document the Business Goals & Objectives - Protect this spa>

<Document the Quality & Process Performance Objectives>

• Project establishes objectives based on:

- Customer (PMA)
- IPT Objectives
- Project Past Performance

Project Objective

<It can be same as Org. objectives or PM can add more to meet the customer and other stakeholder's objective>

Project Goals:

Description of Measure	Mean	USL	LSL
DRE - Requirements Phase	65%	67%	
DRE - Design Phase	62%	65%	
DRE -Code and Unit Test	45%	49%	

• Project defines Quantitative Objectives for each phase of Defect Removal Effectiveness

- Requirements
- Design
- Code & UT



Establish Quality Control Target

Define Project Parameters & Estimates

Name of the Project: AEA IPT PI
 Name of Project Manager: Tuan Le

Project Size Estimates: 9.50 KLOC

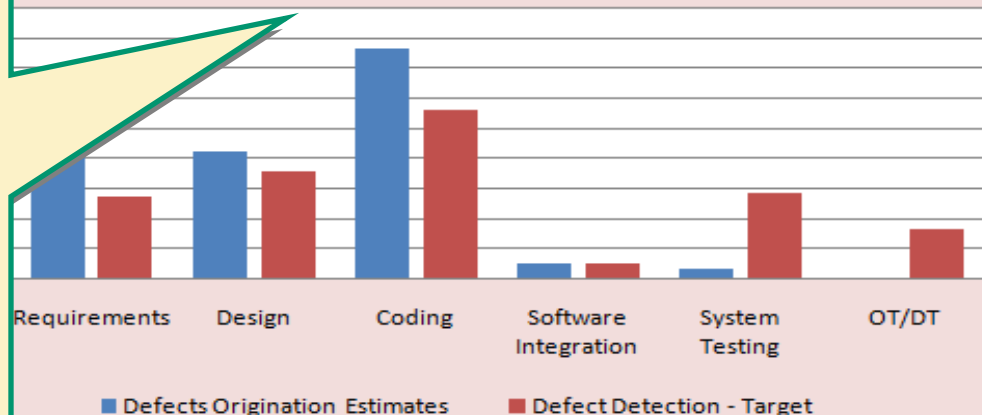
Defects Origination Estimates

Phase	Mean	UCL	LCL
Requirements	86	95	76
Design	86	91	80
Coding	154	159	149
Software Integration	10	13	7
System Testing	7	9	4
Total	342	368	316

Defect Detection - Target

Phase	Mean	UCL	LCL
Requirements	56	57	54
Design	72	74	69
Coding	113	118	110
Software Integration	10		
System Testing	57		
OT/DT	34.2		

Defects - Origination Estimate Vs Detection Target



Project Manager estimates the target number of defects originated & removed by phase to establish project objectives

Defect estimation model will be based on historical data and organizational performance baseline





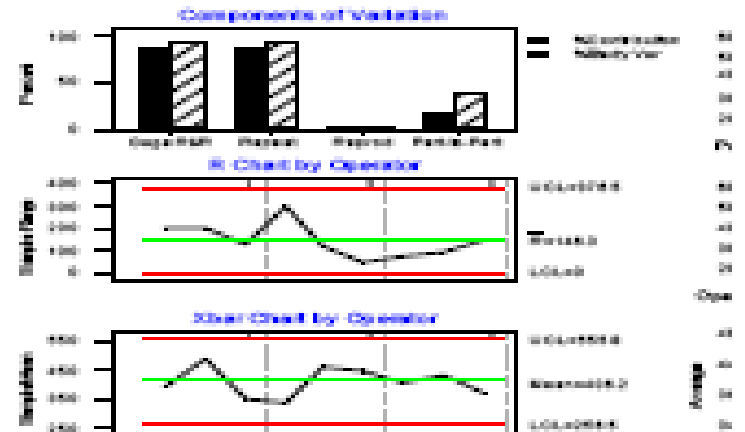
Statistically Manage Peer Review Performance



Design Phase - Peer Review

Peer Review Date	Total Hours	Total Size	Number of Defects Discovered	Phase Originated			Defects / Hour	Defects / Unit of Size	Hours / Unit of Size	Under Statistical Control	
				Requirement	Design	Code & UT					Sys Testing
13-May-08	7	8	5	0	5			0.71	0.63		0.88
22-May-08	9.25	93	5	0	5			0.54	0.05		0.10
1-Jul-08	6.5	12	3	3	0			0.46	0.25		0.54
28-Aug-08	6.75	44	1	1	0			0.15	0.02		0.15
8-Sep-08	7	65	3	1	2			0.43	0.05		0.11
4-Sep-08	6.25	53	2	0	2			0.32	0.04		0.12
						0	0				

Project team members statistically manage peer reviews and take corrective actions as required



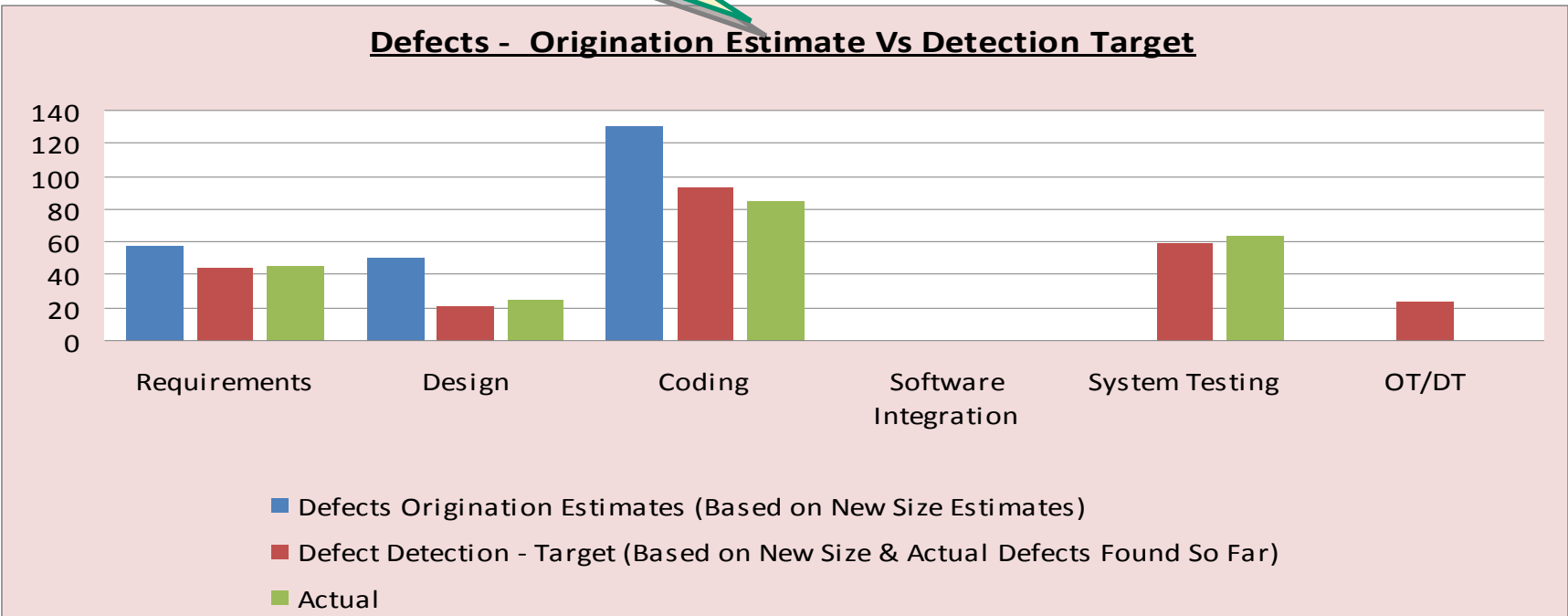


Statistically Manage Defect Removal Effectiveness Performance



Project team members statistically review project performance at the end of the phase and take corrective actions as required

Defects - Origination Estimate Vs Detection Target



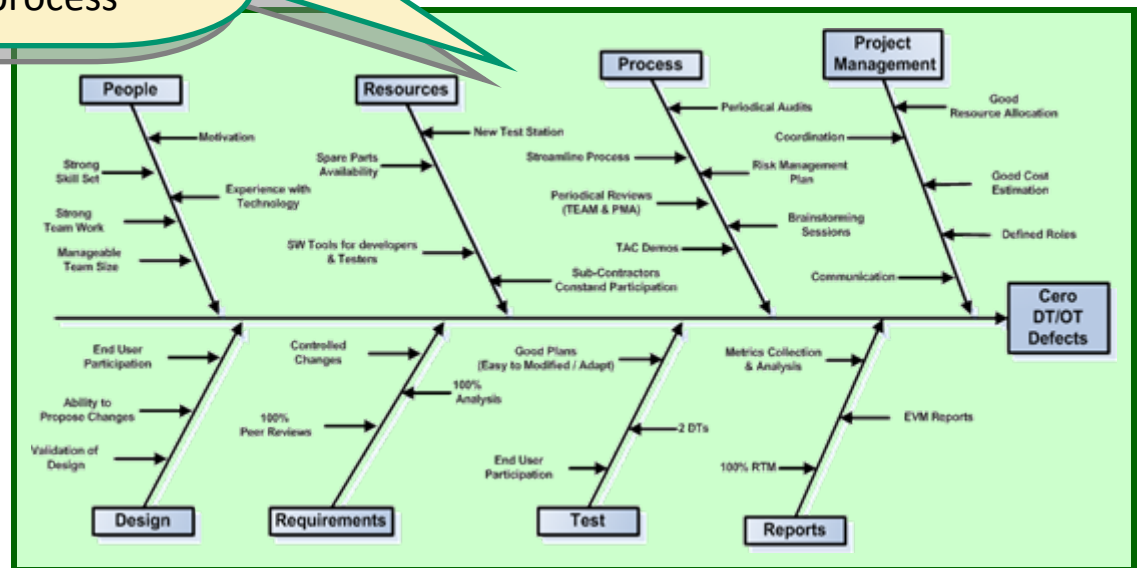


Perform Cause and Effect Analysis (CAR)



Project team members perform cause and effect analysis to determine root cause and take corrective action

- ❖ Improve process when required
- ❖ Continue to reinforce the process





ONE STOP SHOP FOR QUANTITATIVE DEFECT MANAGEMENT



AEA IPT DRE Dashboard

Navigator

Dashboard

Control Charts:

Process Attribute	Requirements Phase	Design Phase	Code & UT Phase
Defects/Hr			
Defects/Unit Size			
Hrs./Unit Size			

Organizational

Objectives

Planning Phase

Requirements

Design Review

Coding & Unit

Integration

System Testing

DT/OT

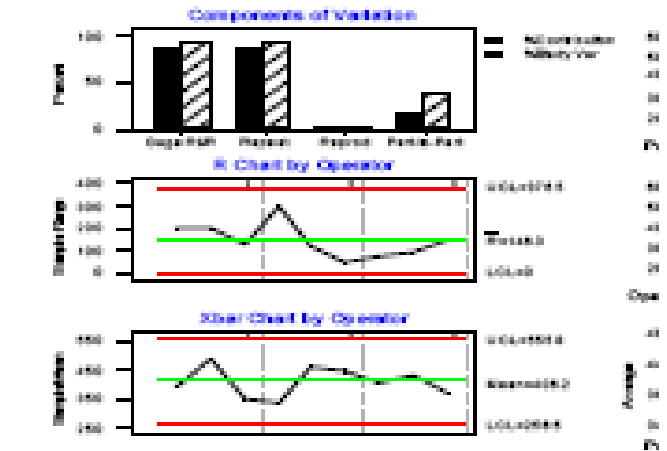
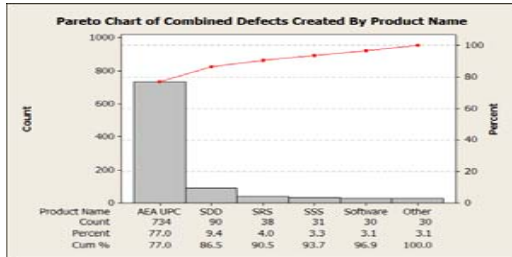




Selected Lean Six Sigma Tools for Quantitative Defect Management Process



- Control Charts
- Pareto Chart
- Histogram
- Ishikawa ("Fish Bone")
- Five Whys
- Process Mapping



Together, Lean Six Sigma and CMMI help AEA IPT improve performance and achieve objectives faster



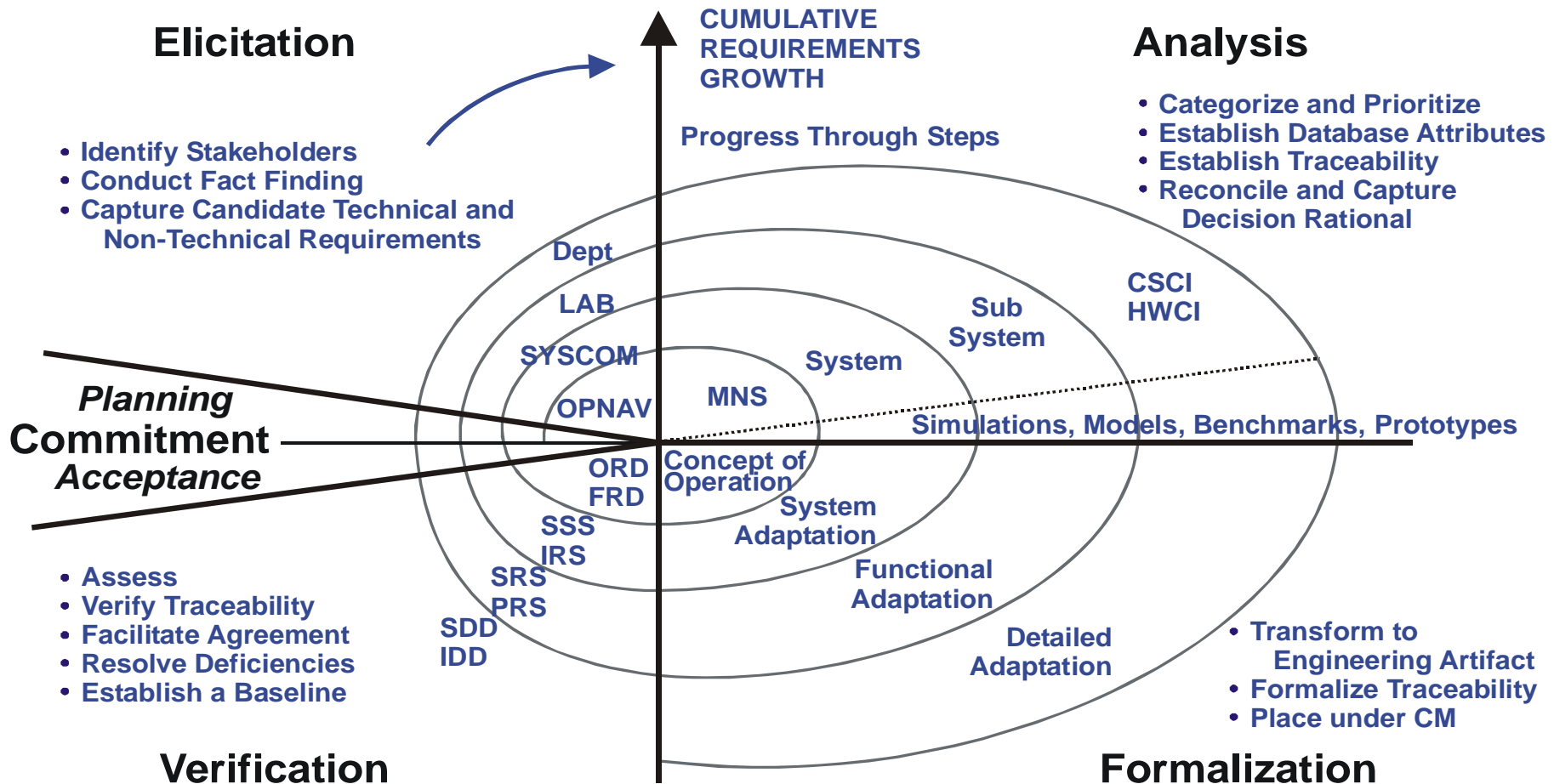
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Optimal Process Model

Requirements Management Process Model





GAO Reported Acquisition Concerns



- Unsettled requirements in acquisition programs can create significant turbulence
- Sixty-three percent of the programs we received data from (72 programs) had requirement changes after system development began
- These programs encountered cost increases of 72 percent, while costs grew by 11 percent among those programs that did not change requirements



NAVAIR LESSONS LEARNED



- **Engineers tend to resist documenting traceable requirements**
 - Inability to trace requirements back to customer's / sponsor's requirements
 - Requirements creep – adding requirements not necessary to meet user's / customer's desires
- **Lack of concurrence among the stakeholders of the requirements (collaboration)**
 - Key contributor to requirements instability, which leads to cost and schedule problems
- **Lack of requirements volatility measures (metrics)**



NAVAIR LESSONS LEARNED



- **Tendency to begin preliminary design before requirements are verified and validated:**
 - Can result in extensive rework
 - Impacts accuracy of cost and schedule estimates
- **Resistance to having a Requirements Change Control Board early in the requirements phase**
- **Requirements too loose/broadly written, complicating requirements decomposition**
- **Insufficient time dedicated to Requirements Phase**



AEA IPT Strategy to Manage Requirements Volatility




- **Stabilize Requirements Development Process**
 - Improve estimation of effort to develop SRS and ensure the SRS is completed and ready for design
 - Control and Improve the Quality of Requirements Specification
- **Stabilize Requirements Management Process**
 - Institutionalize the Requirements Change process
- **Develop Quantitative Requirements Management (QRM) Measures for a Requirement Volatility Index (RVI):**
 - By using NAVAIR Lean Six Sigma initiatives
 - Provide a CMMI Level 4 and Level 5 Framework



Quantitative Requirements Management - 7 Step Process





Step 1: 
Establish RVI Performance Baselines using Historical Data


Step 2:
Establish Project Goals

Step 3:
Plan for RD and RM

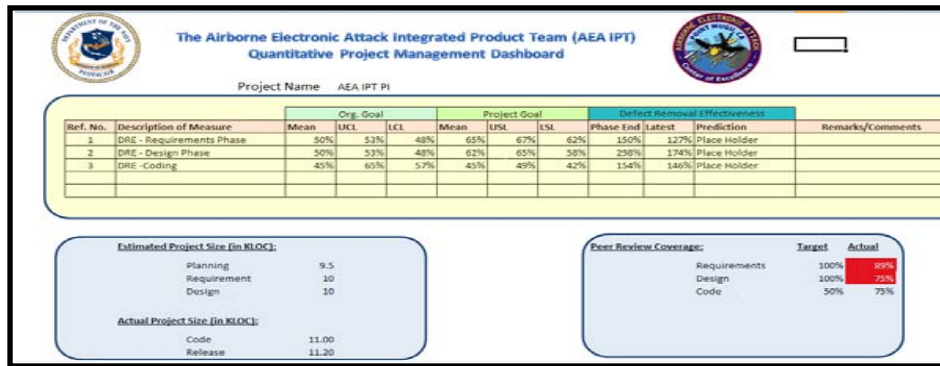
Step 4:
Monitor and Control development progress and quality of SRS

Step 5: 
Statistically Analyze Requirements Change Index at end of Design/Code/System Test phase

Step 6: 
Calculate and Predict CPI and SPI

Step 7: 
Perform Causal Analysis and Resolution (CAR)

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Quality is never an accident, it is always the result of high intention, intelligent direction and skillful execution; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives."

William A. Foster



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