One Of The Best Maturity Metrics:

why should

DoR "shrink" and DoD expand?

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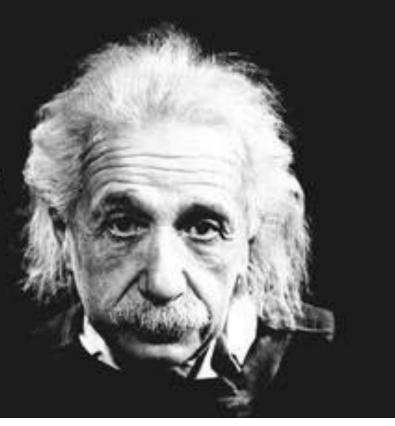
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"Not everything that counts can be counted, and not everything that can be counted counts." -Albert Einstein





Physics 101

What is the difference between

SPEED

and

VELOCITY?

Physics 101

VELOCITY = SPEED + DIRECTION (VECTOR)

SPEED – has a number but no direction

VELOCITY – has a number and direction

If your team:

- Does not have a Sprint Goal and unware of strategy
- Does not produce PSPI at the end of each sprint
- > Delivers component work only, not customer-centric features
- Works under pressure and tries to deliver a lot, to meet expectations
- Focuses too much on precision of estimation and metrics/reporting

Its SPEED could be very high but VELOCITY could still be zero.

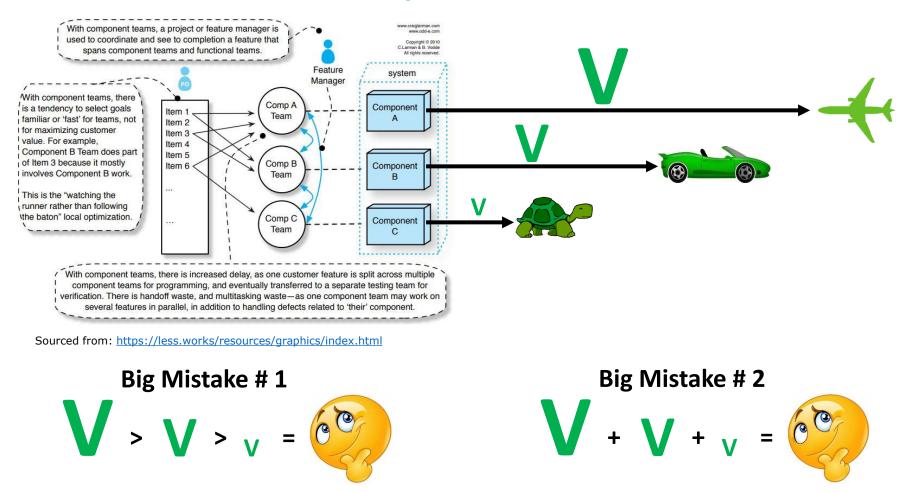


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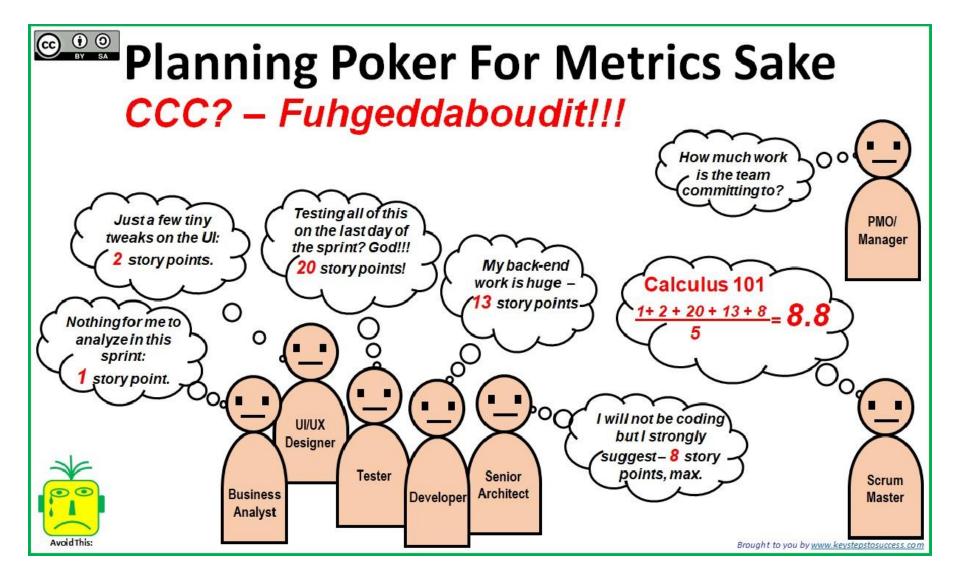
Velocity or Speed?

Component Teams



Can these "velocities" be used to reliably estimate size and complexity of delivered features?

Calculus 101

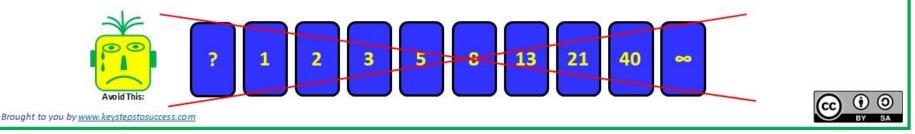


Signs of Purposeless Metrics

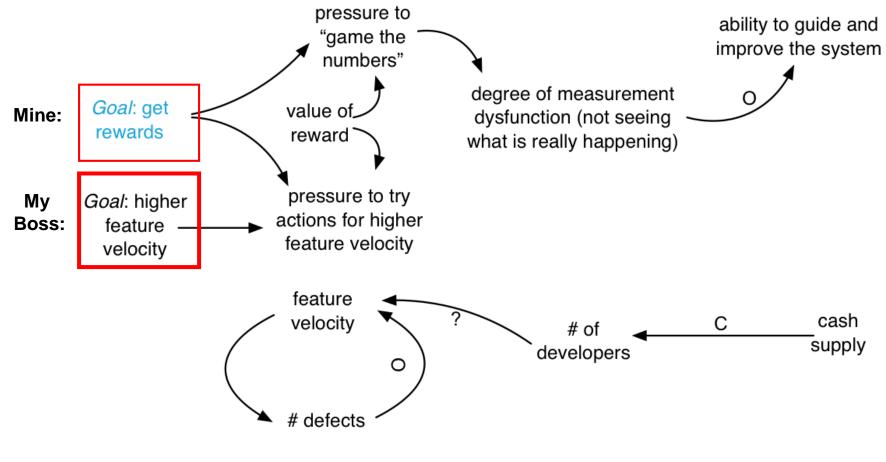
POINTLESS POINTING: TOP-10 SIGNS

Story point estimation loses its purpose, if done:

- 1. As a cargo cult: "this is what Scrum people do, so we gotta do it too, to be agile"
- 2. To compare *velocity* of teams and/or individual team members
- 3. To measure efficiency & productivity of teams and/or team members
- 4. To measure speed of component delivery (as oppose to a feature velocity)
- 5. To give the business a precise delivery date, with budget and scope, being also fixed
- 6. To produce metrics and RAG statuses, just to please senior management
- 7. By architects, leads, anchors or other "special people", on behalf of developers
- 8. By single-function experts (BA, QA, Dev) that do not understand each other's work
- 9. By teams, estimating in silos, and adding up their numbers into a "total velocity"
- 10. Without referencing estimates of work items, completed and delivered in the past



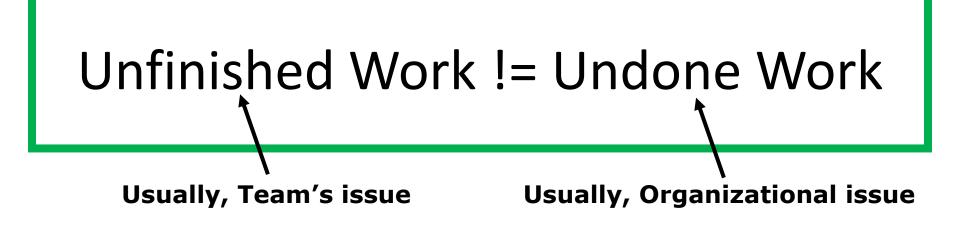
System Model: Systemic Impact of Vanity Metrics



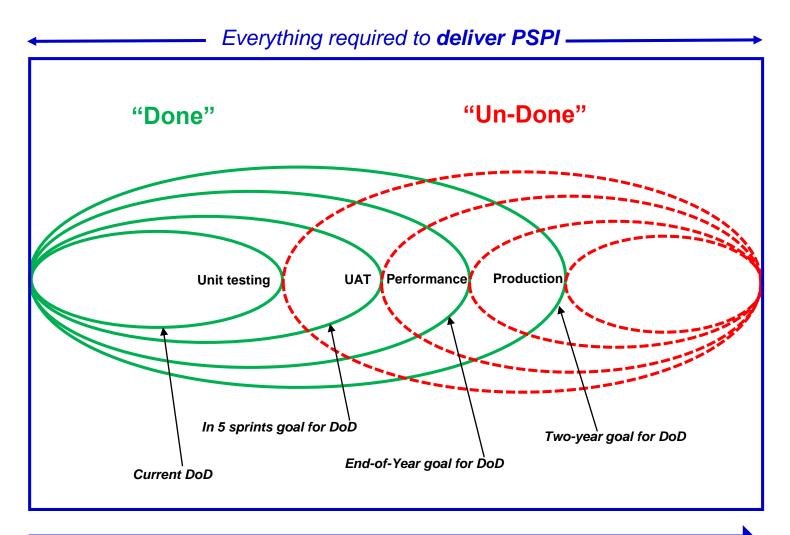
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Mathematics of DONE



Lifetime of DONE (DoD)



Gradual Maturity of DoD

Expanding Done and Shrinking Un-Done

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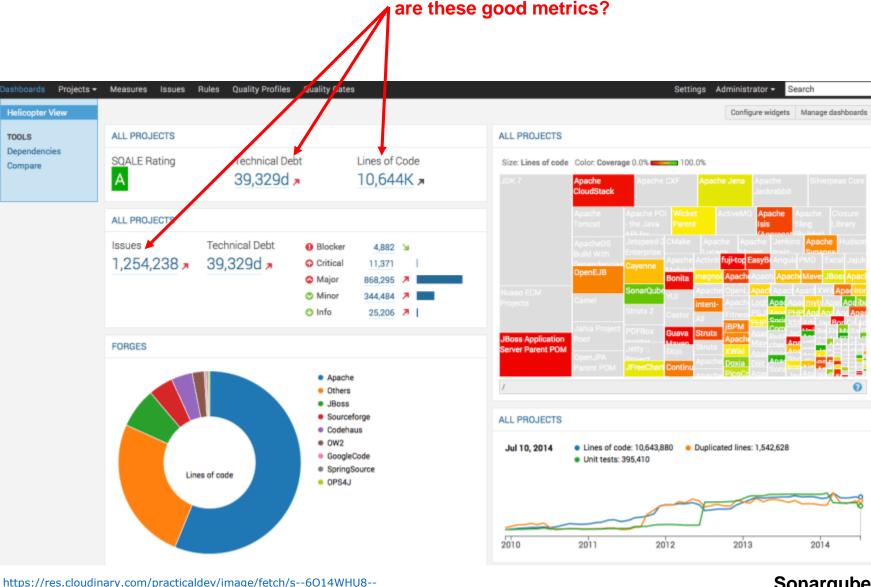
Example of DONE



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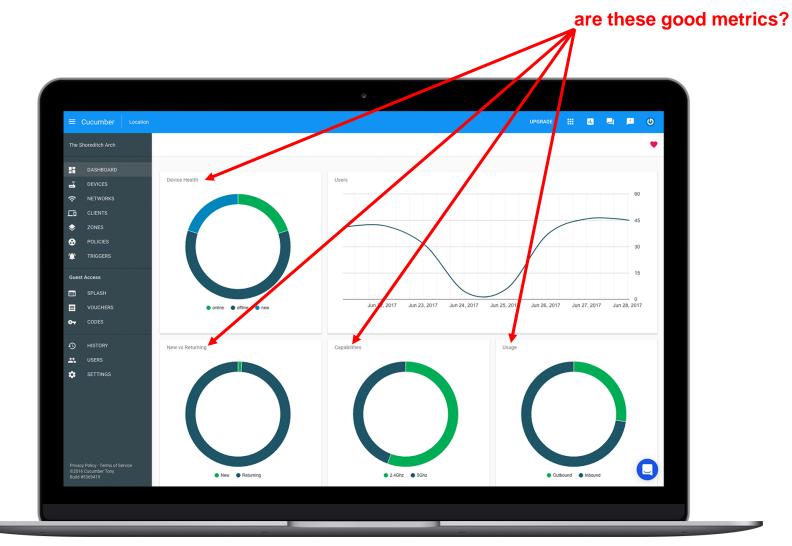
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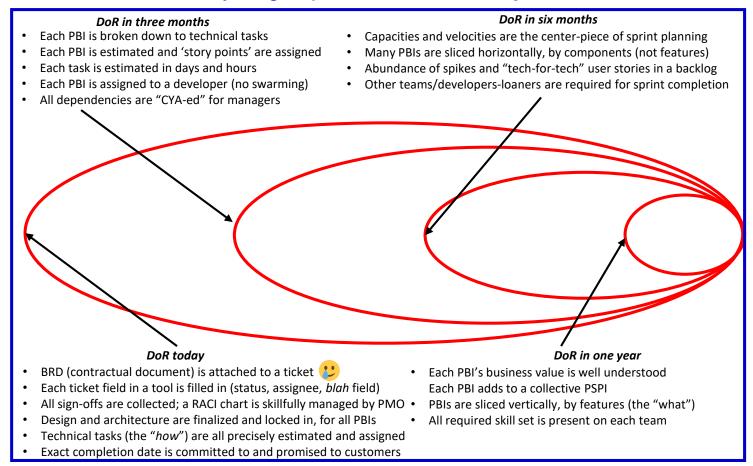
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Cucumber

DoR

Lifetime of READY (DoR)

Everything required to **start development**



Gradual Maturity of DoR / Reduction of Contractual Relationship

Simplifying Definition of Ready (DoR)

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Lifetime of READY (DoR)

Simplicity of DOR and Inclusiveness of DOD

are the signs of all kinds of maturities:

organizational structural cultural communication technical



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