

## Our problem





Alignment with a purposeful, directional goal

Understand the problem/decision at hand

Design experiments

Evidence based change/improvement

Learn and reflect

# Cadenced Flow "approach"

Methodology: A systematic process for doing something

(what)

Approach: A way of doing or thinking about something

(how)

- 1. Cadence activities pragmatically
- 2. Understand workflow
- 3. Measure with intent
- 4. Make work smaller
- 5. Specify collaboratively
- 6. Deliver frequently
- 7. Experiment to improve

# Cadence activities pragmatically

What activities enable success?

Why do they add value?

How often should they happen?

# Cadence activities pragmatically

Activity

Planning

Sync up

Improve

Demo

etc...

**YMMV** 

Cadence

Mon - 30 min

Wed/Fri @ 9am - 15min

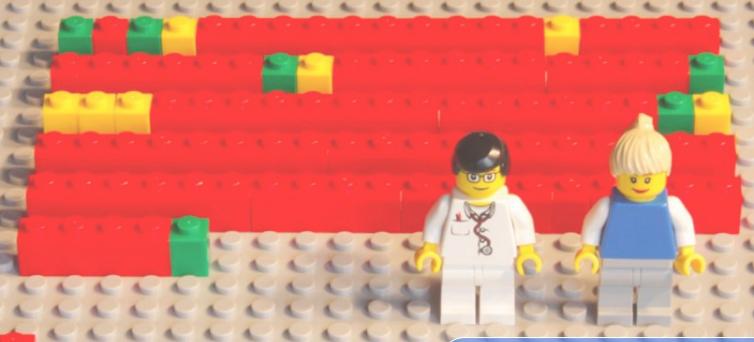
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## Understand workflow



Non value adding: Wait time

Non value adding: Required waste

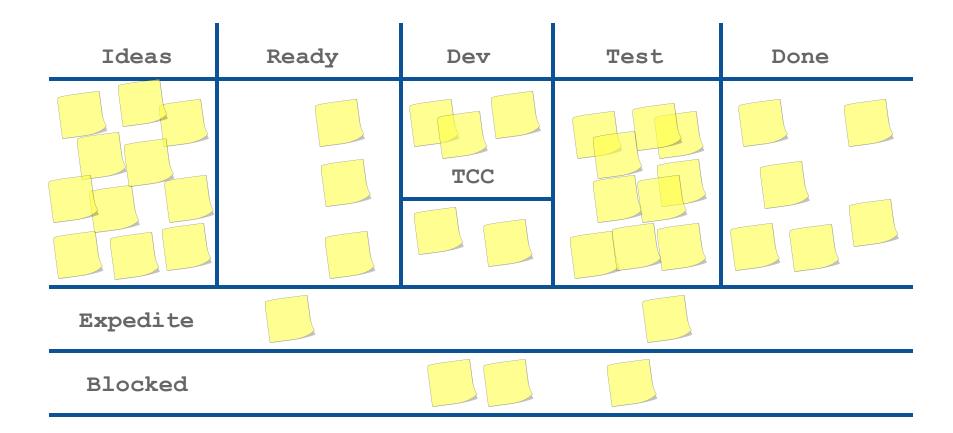
Experience the workflow from the point of view of a unit of work

Value adding: Actual demand

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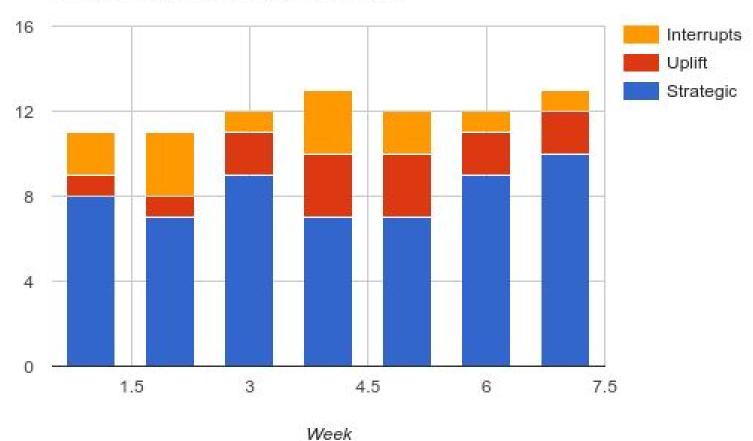
## Workflow example



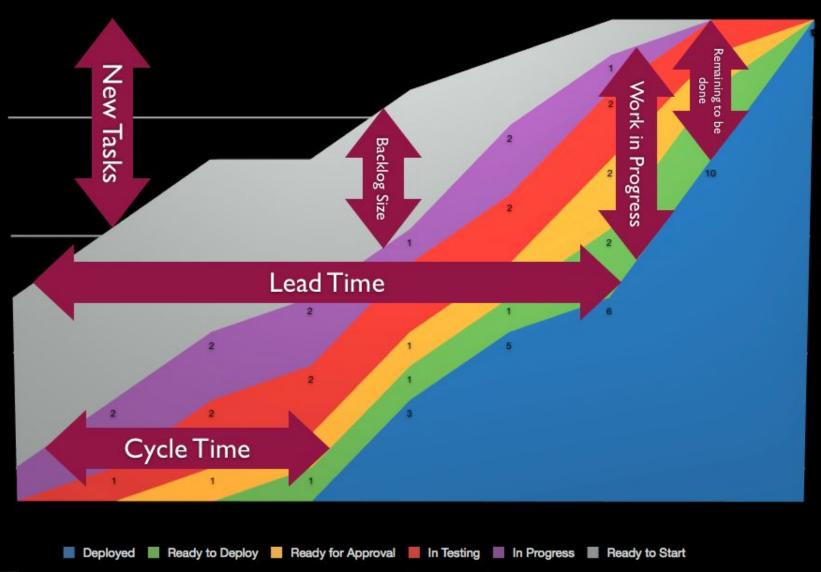


### Capacity Usage

### Strategic , Uplift and Interrupts



## How to Read a Cumulative Flow Diagram





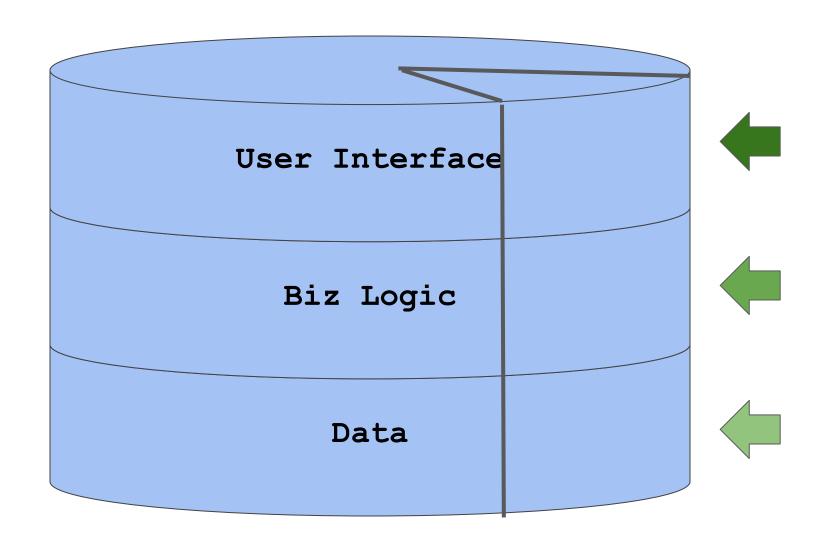
## Make work smaller

Increase learning

Reduce risk

Improve predictability

### Horizontal slicing



## for splitting Patterns

enhance it with more stories later?

Can you split the story so you do the beginning and end of the workflow first and enhance with stories from the middle of the workflow?

#### DEFER PERFORMANCE

Could you split the story to just make it work first and then enhance it to satisfy the non-functional requirement?

> Does the story get much of its complexity from satisfying non-functional requirements like performance?

Does the story have a simple core that provides most of the value and/or learning?

When you apply the obvious split, is whichever story you do first the most difficult?

Does the story describe

a workflow?

Could you group the later stories and defer the decision about which story comes first?

the story to

ore first and

later stories?

MPLEX

MAJOR EFFORT

#### **OPERATIONS**

Can you split the operations into separate stories?

Does the story have

Does the story include multiple operations? (e.g. is it about "managing" or "configuring" something?)

## **APPLY THE**

Does the story do the same

thing to different kinds of data?

#### VARIATIONS IN DATA

**BUSINESS RULE** 

VARIATIONS

Can you split the story so you

do a subset of the rules first and

enhance with additional rules later?

Does the story have a variety of

business rules? (e.g. is there a domain term in the story like "flexible dates" that suggests several variations?)

> Can you split the story to process one kind of data first and enhance with the other kinds later?

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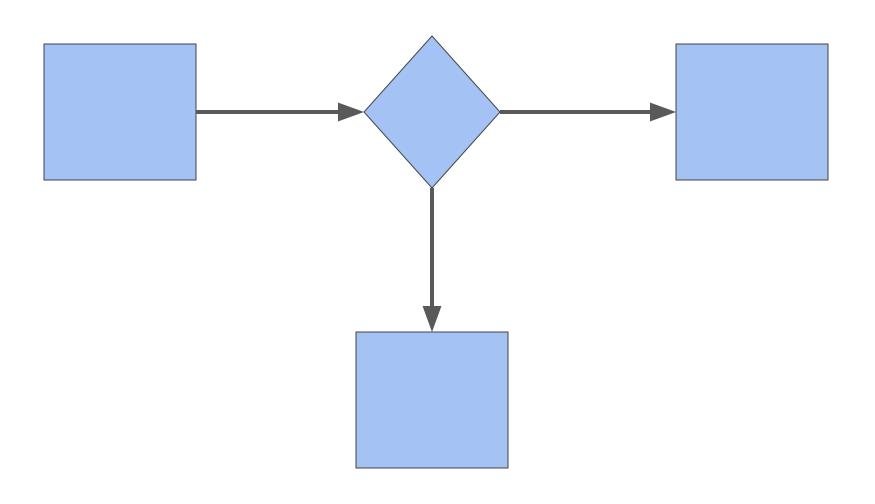
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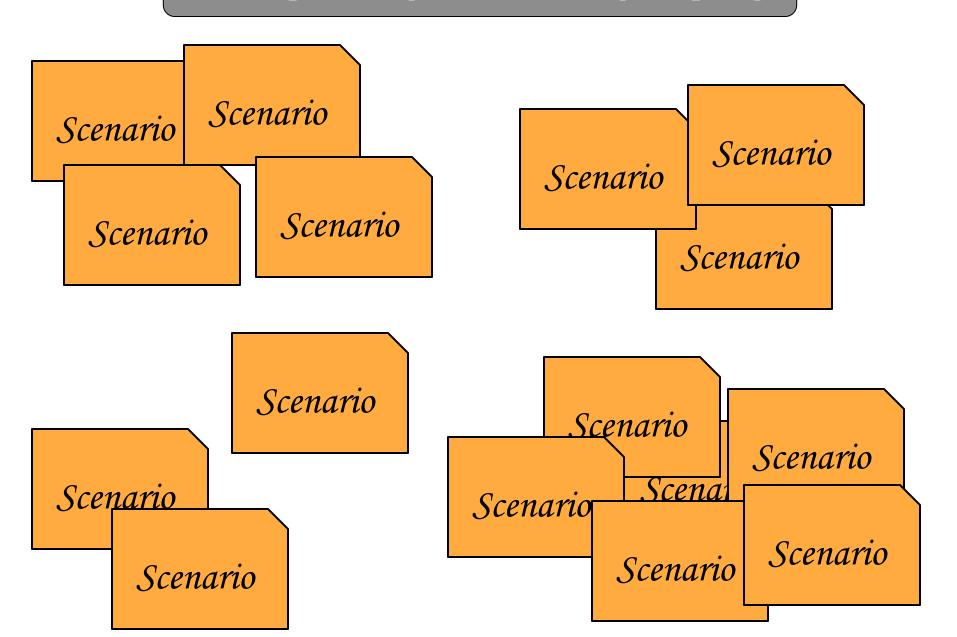
you could do first?

Can you find a small

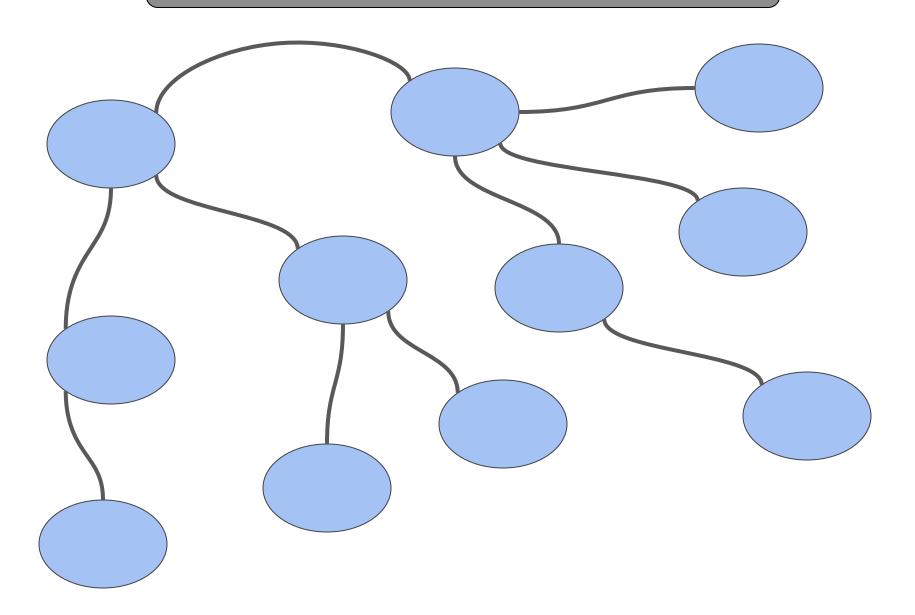
## Decomp using flow charts



### Decomp using scenario grouping



## Decomp using mind mapping



## Specify collaboratively

Defer detail acceptance criteria

Promote test case creation

Collaborate: function over role

Programmer triggered pull

Timbox 30min/15min

## Example changes in workflow

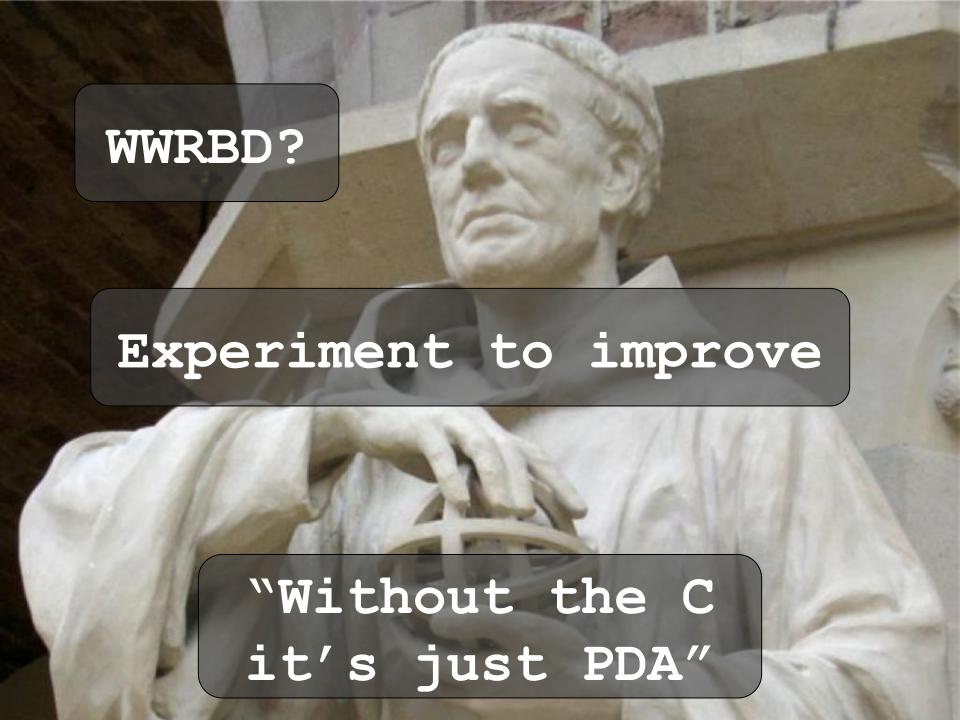
Ideas	Ready	Collaborative Specification	Dev	Exploratory Swarming	Done
Expedite	è				
Blocked					

## Deliver frequently

Things get easier with repetition

You develop muscle memory & rhythm

(PS...read the Phoenix Project!)



## At the end of the day...

Cadence & flow are not mutex

Be intentional about what you do

Break down large batches

Build understanding collaboratively

Get regular customer feedback

Make time for improvement

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