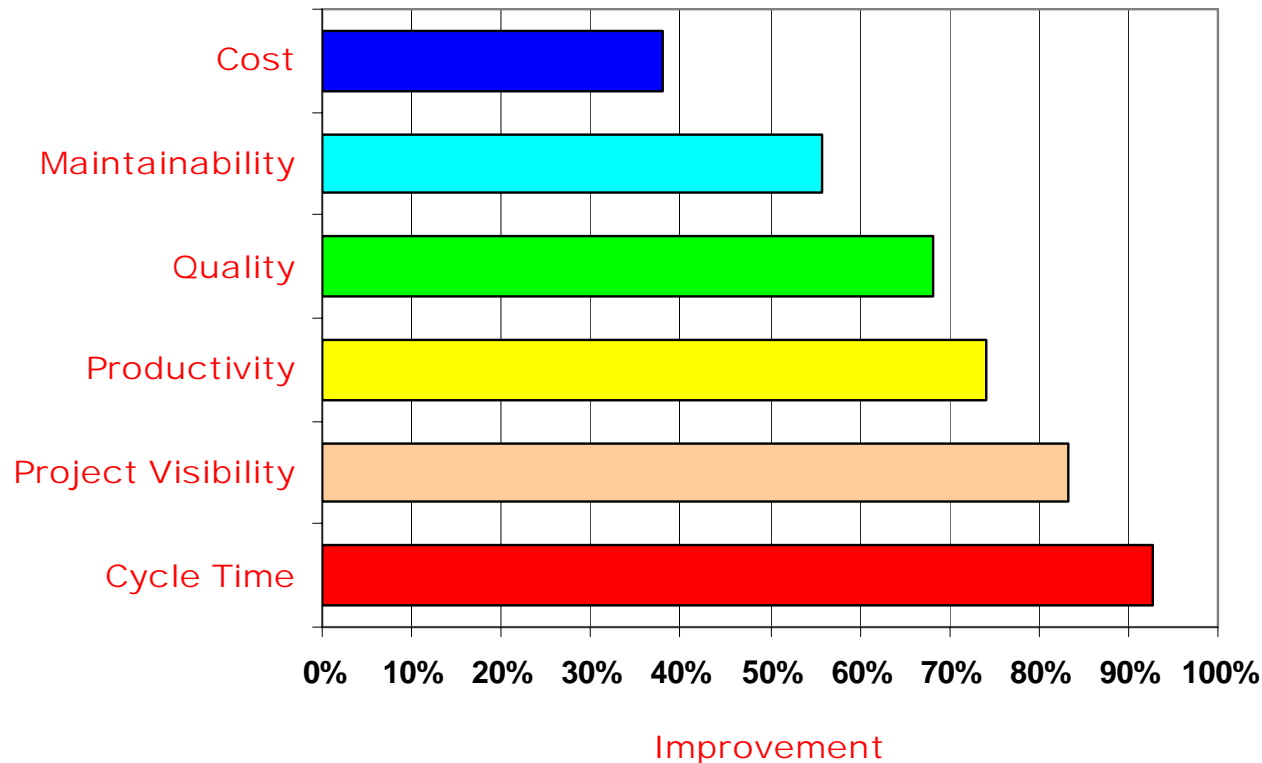


Version One

- Survey of 3,061 respondents from 80 countries
- Scrum (49%), Scrum/XP (22%), and XP (8%)
- 68% from small firms and 57% distributed



Version One. (2008). *The state of agile development: Third Annual Survey*. Alpharetta, GA: Author.

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- A major principle of Agile Methods is creating value
- ROI is the measure of value within Agile Methods
- There are seven closely related ROI measures

Metric	Definition	Formula
Costs Sum of Costs	Total amount of money spent	$\sum_{i=1}^n Cost_i$
Benefits Sum of Benefits	Total amount of money gained	$\sum_{i=1}^n Benefit_i$
B/CR Benefit to Cost Ratio	Ratio of benefits to costs	$\frac{Benefits}{Costs}$
ROI Return on Investment	Ratio of adjusted benefits to costs	$\frac{Benefits - Costs}{Costs} \times 100\%$
NPV Net Present Value	Discounted cash flows	$\sum_{i=1}^{Years} \frac{Benefits_i}{(1 + Discount\ Rate)^{Years}} - Costs_0$
BEP Breakeven Point	Point when benefits exceed costs	$\frac{New\ Costs}{Old\ Costs / New\ Costs - 1}$
ROA Real Options Analysis	Value gained from strategic delay	$N(d_1) \times Benefits - N(d_2) \times Costs \times e^{-Rate \times Years}$

$$d1 = [\ln(Benefits \div Costs) + (Rate + 0.5 \times Risk^2) \times Years] \div Risk \times \sqrt{Years}, \quad d2 = d1 - Risk \times \sqrt{Years}$$

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Costs

- Total amount of money spent on Agile Methods
- Includes training, coaching, automated tools, etc.
- Minimally, includes the dev. effort of Agile Methods

$$\sum_{i=1}^n Cost_i$$

Benefits

- Total amount of money gained from Agile Methods
- Includes economic benefit from using new system
- Minimally, includes maintenance rework savings

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \textit{Benefit}_i$$

Benefit to Cost Ratio

- Ratio of total benefits to total costs of Agile Methods
- Includes development, maintenance, and business
- Minimally, benefits should be larger than all costs

$$\frac{\textit{Benefits}}{\textit{Costs}}$$

Return on Investment

- Ratio of adjusted benefits to costs of Agile Methods
- Benefits are adjusted downward using total costs
- Minimally, benefits should be larger than costs

$$\frac{\textit{Benefits} - \textit{Costs}}{\textit{Costs}} \times 100\%$$

Net Present Value

- Discounted benefits of using Agile Methods
- Future benefits are discounted due to inflation
- Minimally, future benefits should exceed all costs

$$\sum_{i=1}^{Years} \frac{Benefits_i}{(1 + Discount\ Rate)^{Years}} - Costs_0$$

Breakeven Point

- Point when benefits exceed costs of Agile Methods
- Point where slope of benefits and costs intersect
- Minimally, old costs should exceed new costs

New Costs

Old Costs / New Costs – 1

Real Options Analysis

- Iterative benefits gained from using Agile Methods
- Future benefits are increased because of risks
- Minimally, benefits should exceed costs

$$N(d_1) \times Benefits - N(d_2) \times Costs \times e^{-Rate \times Years}$$

$$d1 = [\ln(Benefits \div Costs) + (Rate + 0.5 \times Risk^2) \times Years] \div Risk \times \sqrt{Years}$$
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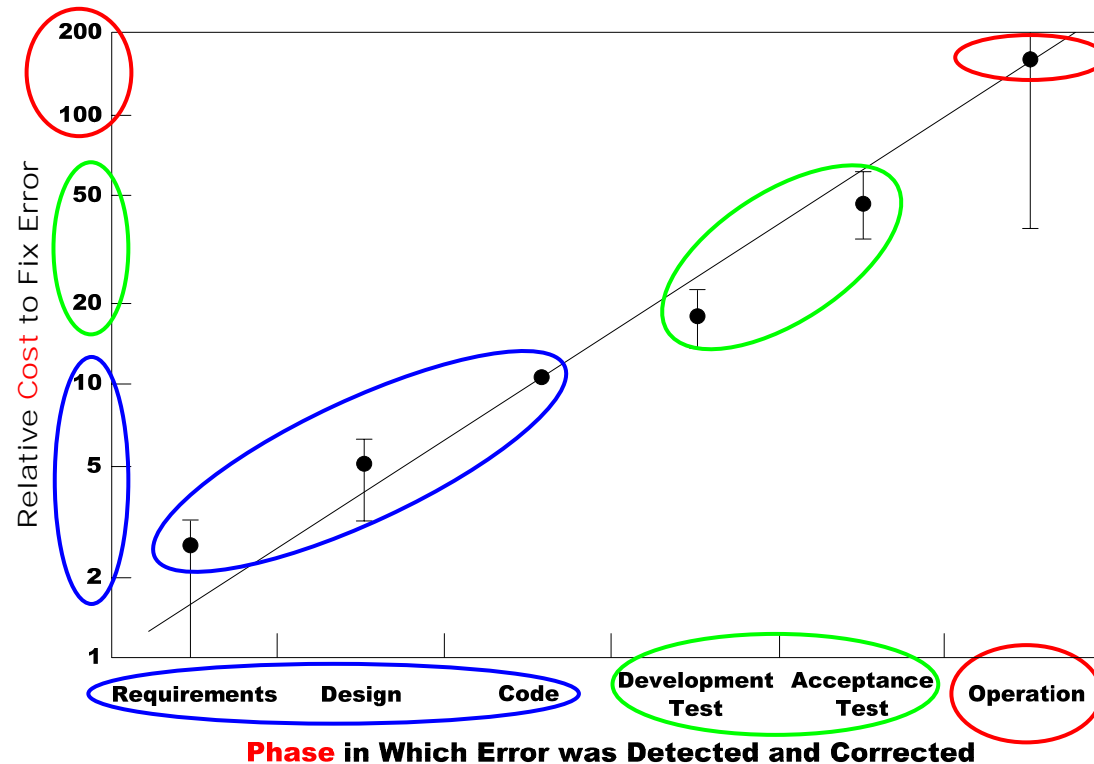
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Software Lifecycle Costs

- **1:10:100** is a classical ratio of *dev.* to *maint.* hours
- Defects have negative multiplicative effect on cost
- A *conservative* and *contemporary* ratio is **1:6:30**



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Software Cost Models

- Cost estimation models still in use today
- Used to estimate effort of Traditional Methods
- Adjusted average of **5,088** used for ROI estimation

Source	Model	LOC	Months	Hours	Years
COCOMO-O	Months = $2.4 \times \text{KLOC}^{1.05}$	10,000	26.93	4,667.60	2.24
COCOMO-S	Months = $3.0 \times \text{KLOC}^{1.12}$	10,000	39.55	6,854.94	3.30
COCOMO-E	Months = $3.6 \times \text{KLOC}^{1.20}$	10,000	57.06	9,889.73	4.75
COCOMO-II	Months = $2.9 \times \text{KLOC}^{1.10}$	10,000	36.51	6,328.20	3.04
Walston-Felix	Months = $5.2 \times \text{KLOC}^{0.91}$	10,000	42.27	7,326.31	3.52
Bailey-Basili	Months = $5.5 + 0.73 \times \text{KLOC}^{1.15}$	10,000	15.81	2,740.66	1.32
Doty	Months = $5.288 \times \text{KLOC}^{1.047}$	10,000	58.92	10,213.48	4.91
Average			39.58	6,860.13	3.30

$$* (6,854.94 + 7,326.31 + 2,740.66 + 10,213.48) \div 4 \times 0.75 = 5,087.89$$

Total Lifecycle Costs

- 0.51 hours/line of code for Traditional Methods
- 10% defect inject rate (1,000 defects/10 KLOC)
- 67% of defects in test (33% in maintenance)

Step	Total Lifecycle Cost Model
1.	$0.51 \times Size + 30 \times IR \times Size - 30 \times IH - 5.47 \times TH + IH + TH$
2.	$0.51 \times Size + 30 \times 10\% \times Size - 30 \times IH - 5.47 \times TH + IH + TH$
3.	$0.51 \times Size + 3 \times Size - 30 \times IH - 5.47 \times TH + IH + TH$
4.	$0.51 \times Size + 3 \times Size - 29 \times IH - 4.47 \times TH$
5.	$3.51 \times Size - 29 \times IH - 4.47 \times TH$
6.	$3.51 \times 10,000 - 0 - 4.47 \times 3,651.48$
7.	$18,751.48^*$ hours or \$1,875,148

* 5,087.89 Development Hours + 3,651.48 Test Hours + 10,012.11 Maintenance Hours

Agile Productivity Studies

- Productivity data found in 26 Agile Methods studies
- Studies conducted from 2002 to the present time
- Average productivity **21.2374** LOC per hour

No.	Author(s)	Year	Method	Type	LOC/Hour
1.	Abrahamsson	2003	XP	Case Study	19.2550
2.	Abrahamsson & Koskela	2004	XP	Case Study	16.9000
3.	Back, Hirkman, & Milovanov	2004	XP	Experiment	8.0000
24.	Cohn	2008	Scrum	Case Study	5.9050
25.	Jones	2008	Scrum	Case Study	5.7400
26.	Sutherland	2006	Scrum	Case Study	4.6858
Average					21.2374

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Agile Productivity Models

- Based on 13 studies of Extreme Programming (XP)
- Also based on 7 studies of pair programming (PP)
- “Pair programming” had highest **productivity**

No.	Method	Low	Median	High	Pts.	Productivity
1.	XP	3.5000	16.1575	43.0000	13	LOC ÷ 16.1575
2.	TDD	12.3800	29.2800	46.1800	2	LOC ÷ 29.2800
3.	PP	15.4667	33.4044	86.4502	8	LOC ÷ 33.4044
4.	Scrum	4.6858	5.4436	5.9050	3	LOC ÷ 05.4436
5.	Agile	3.5000	21.2374	86.4502	26	LOC ÷ 21.2374

Agile Quality Studies

- Defect density found in 21 studies of Agile Methods
- Studies conducted from 2002 to the present time
- Average quality **1.7972** defects per KLOC

No.	Author(s)	Year	Method	Type	Def/KLOC
1.	Abrahamsson	2003	XP	Case Study	2.1450
2.	Abrahamsson & Koskela	2004	XP	Case Study	1.4300
3.	Back, Hirkman, & Milovanov	2004	XP	Experiment	0.7000
19.	Cohn	2008	Scrum	Case Study	2.9000
20.	Jones	2008	Scrum	Case Study	8.5000
21.	Schatz & Abdelshafi	2005	Scrum	Case Study	0.4350
Average					1.7972

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Quality Models

- Based on 10 studies of Extreme Programming (XP)
- Also based on 6 studies of pair programming (PP)
- “Extreme Programming” had the highest **quality**

No.	Method	Low	Median	High	Pts.	Quality
1.	XP	0.0032	0.7466	2.1450	10	$0.7466 \times \text{KLOC} \times 30$
2.	TDD	0.6100	2.1550	3.7000	2	$2.1550 \times \text{KLOC} \times 30$
3.	PP	0.3250	2.3550	5.8500	6	$2.3550 \times \text{KLOC} \times 30$
4.	Scrum	0.4350	3.9450	8.5000	3	$3.9450 \times \text{KLOC} \times 30$
5.	Agile	0.0032	1.7972	8.5000	21	$1.7972 \times \text{KLOC} \times 30$

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Agile Lifecycle Costs

- Costs based on productivity and quality models
- Development costs based on $LOC \div productivity$ rate
- Maintenance costs based on $defects \times KLOC \times MH$

No.	Method	Agile Lifecycle Cost Models	Costs
1.	XP	$(10,000 \div 05.3858 + 0.7466 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$208,069
2.	TDD	$(10,000 \div 09.7600 + 2.1550 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$167,109
3.	PP	$(10,000 \div 11.1350 + 2.3550 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$160,459
4.	Scrum	$(10,000 \div 05.4436 + 3.9450 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$302,052
5.	Agile	$(10,000 \div 07.9311 + 1.7972 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$180,002

* XP, TDD, and PP reduced by two-thirds to moderate effects of laboratory conditions

Agile Lifecycle Benefits

- **Benefits** based on total traditional less agile **costs**
- Traditional costs based $LOC \times dev. + maint.$ effort
- Traditional costs credited testing effort applied

No.	Method	Agile Lifecycle Benefit Models	Benefits
1.	XP	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$208,069$	\$1,667,079
2.	TDD	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$167,109$	\$1,708,039
3.	PP	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$160,459$	\$1,714,690
4.	Scrum	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$302,052$	\$1,573,096
5.	Agile	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$180,002$	\$1,695,146

Extreme Programming

- Costs based on *avg.* productivity and quality
- Productivity moderated from 16.1575 to 5.3858
- Costs were \$208,069, benefits were \$1,667,079

Metric	Formula	Value
Costs	$(10,000 \div 5.3858 + 0.7466 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$208,069
Benefits	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$208,069$	\$1,667,079
B/CR	$\$1,667,079 \div \$208,069$	8:1
ROI	$(\$1,667,079 - \$208,069) \div \$208,069 \times 100\%$	701%
NPV	$(\sum_{i=1}^5 (\$1,667,079 \div 5) \div 1.05^i) - \$208,069$	\$1,235,446
BEP	$\$208,069 \div (\$1,875,148 \div \$208,069 - 1)$	\$10,064
ROA	$\frac{NORMSDIST(2.24) \times \$1,667,079 - NORMSDIST(0.59) \times \$208,069}{EXP(-5\% \times 5)}$	\$1,529,066

Test Driven Development

- Costs based on *avg.* productivity and quality
- Productivity moderated from 29.2800 to 9.7600
- Costs were \$167,109, benefits were \$1,708,039

Metric	Formula	Value
Costs	$(10,000 \div 9.7600 + 2.1550 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$167,109
Benefits	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$167,109$	\$1,708,039
B/CR	$\$1,708,039 \div \$167,109$	10:1
ROI	$(\$1,708,039 - \$167,109) \div \$167,109 \times 100\%$	922%
NPV	$(\sum_{i=1}^5 (\$1,708,039 \div 5) \div 1.05^i) - \$167,109$	\$1,311,874
BEP	$\$167,109 \div (\$1,875,148 \div \$167,109 - 1)$	\$6,430
ROA	$\frac{NORMSDIST(2.76) \times \$1,708,039 - NORMSDIST(1.58) \times \$167,109}{EXP(-5\% \times 5)}$	\$1,580,490

Pair Programming

- Costs based on *avg.* productivity and quality
- Productivity moderated from 33.4044 to 11.135
- Costs were \$160,459, benefits were \$1,714,690

Metric	Formula	Value
Costs	$(10,000 \div 11.1350 + 2.3550 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$160,459
Benefits	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$160,459$	\$1,714,690
B/CR	$\$1,714,690 \div \$160,459$	11:1
ROI	$(\$1,714,690 - \$160,459) \div \$160,459 \times 100\%$	969%
NPV	$(\sum_{i=1}^5 (\$1,714,690 \div 5) \div 1.05^i) - \$160,459$	\$1,324,283
BEP	$\$160,459 \div (\$1,875,148 \div \$160,459 - 1)$	\$5,919
ROA	$\frac{NORMSDIST(2.95) \times \$1,714,690 - NORMSDIST(1.86) \times \$160,459}{EXP(-5\% \times 5)}$	\$1,590,927

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Scrum

- Costs based on *avg.* productivity and quality
- Productivity data remained the same at 5.4436
- Costs were \$302,052, benefits were \$1,573,096

Metric	Formula	Value
Costs	$(10,000 \div 5.4436 + 3.9450 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$302,052
Benefits	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$302,052$	\$1,573,096
B/CR	$\$1,573,096 \div \$302,052$	5:1
ROI	$(\$1,573,096 - \$302,052) \div \$302,052 \times 100\%$	421%
NPV	$(\sum_{i=1}^5 (\$1,573,096 \div 5) \div 1.05^i) - \$302,052$	\$1,060,084
BEP	$\$302,052 \div (\$1,875,148 \div \$302,052 - 1)$	\$21,682
ROA	$NORMSDIST(1.97) \times \$1,573,096 - NORMSDIST(-0.27) \times \$302,052 \times EXP(-5\% \times 5)$	\$1,441,741

Agile Methods

- Costs based on *avg. productivity* and *quality*
- Productivity data resulted in average of 7.9311
- Costs were \$180,002, benefits were \$1,695,146

Metric	Formula	Value
Costs	$(10,000 \div 7.9311 + 1.7972 \times 10 \times 30) \times 100$	\$180,002
Benefits	$(10,000 \times 3.51 - 3,651.48 \times 4.47) \times 100 - \$180,002$	\$1,695,146
B/CR	$\$1,695,146 \div \$180,002$	9:1
ROI	$(\$1,695,146 - \$180,002) \div \$180,002 \times 100\%$	842%
NPV	$(\sum_{i=1}^5 (\$1,695,146 \div 5) \div 1.05^i) - \$180,002$	\$1,287,817
BEP	$\$180,002 \div (\$1,875,148 \div \$180,002 - 1)$	\$7,483
ROA	$\frac{NORMSDIST(2.52) \times \$1,695,146 - NORMSDIST(1.16) \times \$180,002}{EXP(-5\% \times 5)}$	\$1,562,126

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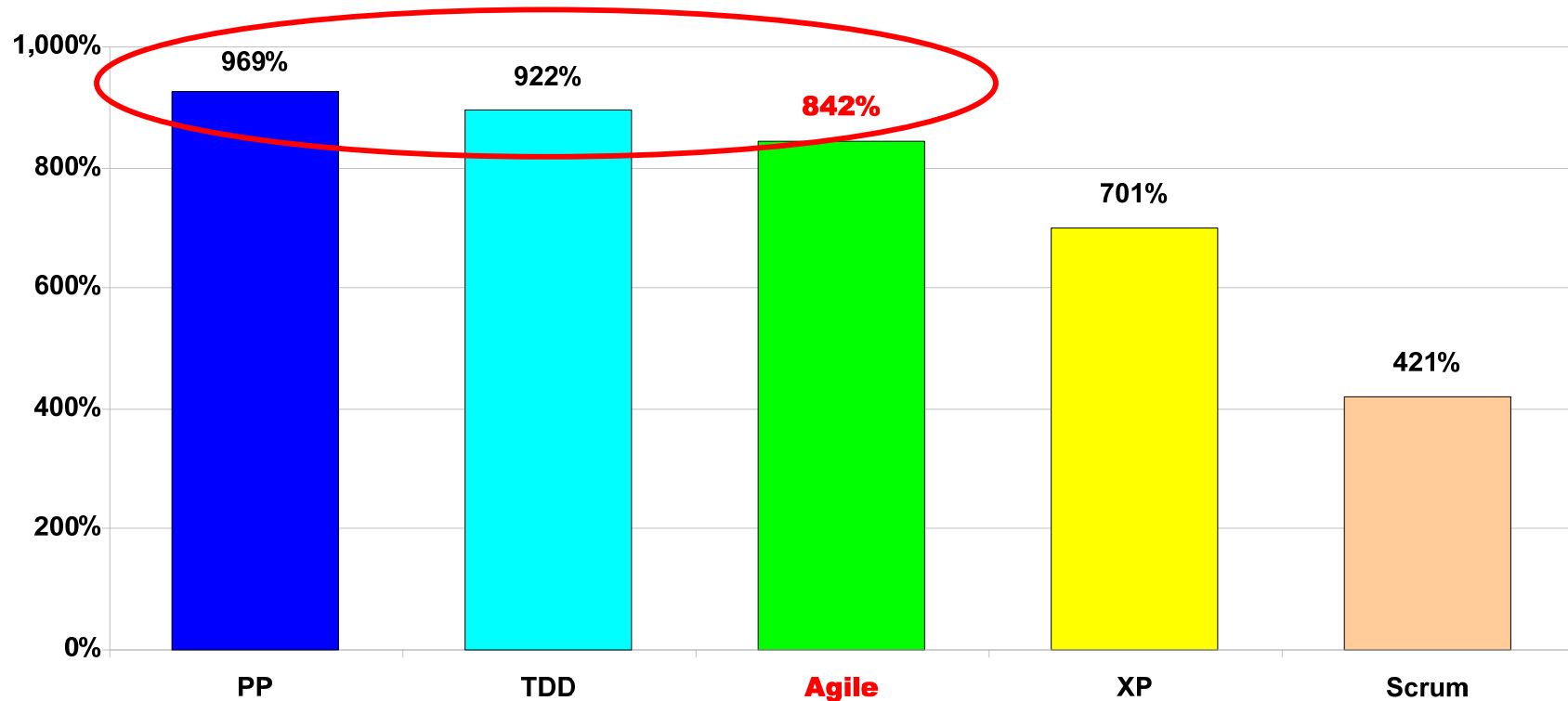
Data for Agile Methods

- Agile Methods were ranked based on ROI
- Agile Methods with high quality had lower ROI
- Agile Methods with high productivity had high ROI

Method	Costs	Benefits	B/CR	ROI	NPV	BEP	ROA
PP	\$160,459	\$1,714,690	11:1	969%	\$1,324,283	\$5,919	\$1,590,927
TDD	\$167,109	\$1,708,039	10:1	922%	\$1,311,874	\$6,430	\$1,580,490
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Scrum	\$302,052	\$1,573,096	5:1	421%	\$1,060,084	\$21,682	\$1,441,741

ROI of Agile Methods

- Agile Methods were ordered based on ROI
- Agile Methods had a high ROI value of 969%
- Agile Methods yielded an average ROI of 842%



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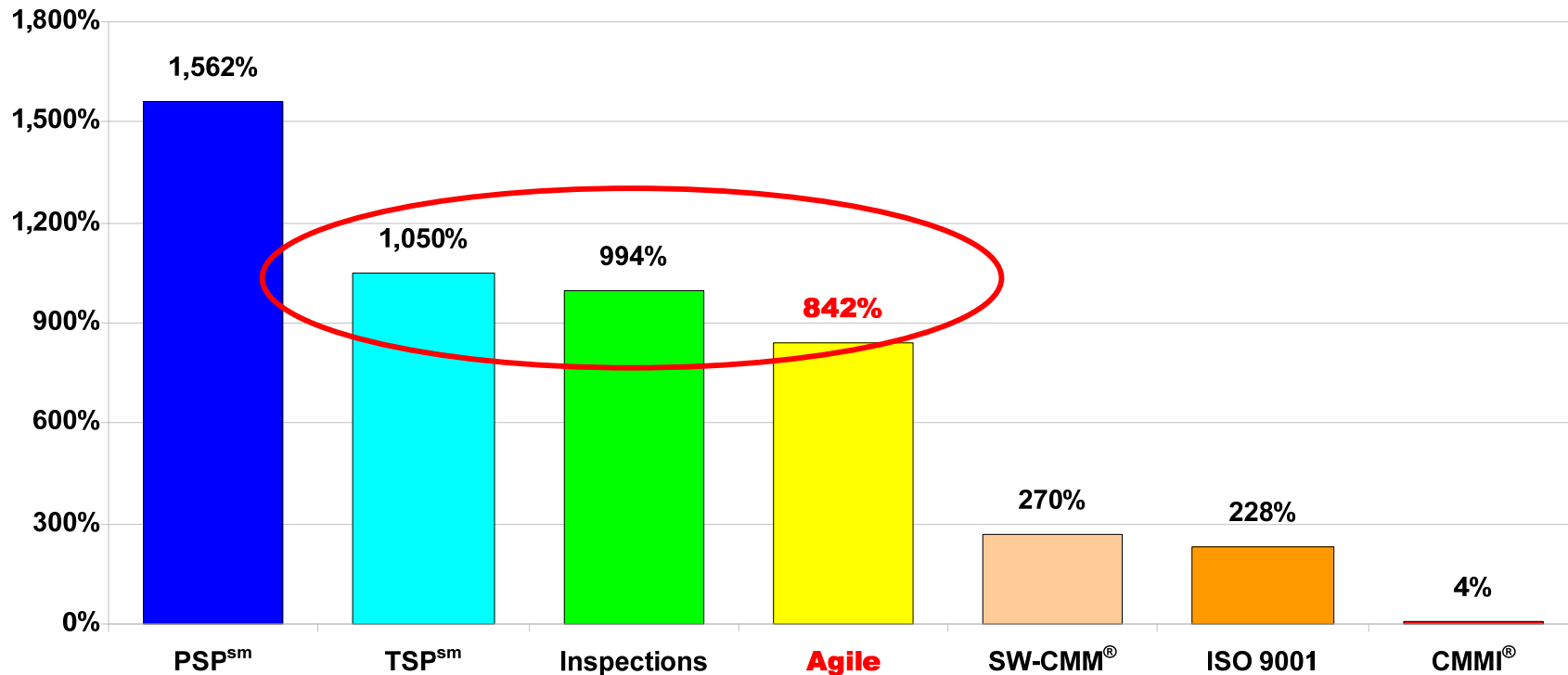
Data for Traditional Methods

- Traditional Methods were ranked based on ROI
- Methods with good cost and quality had higher ROI
- Agile Methods had better ROI than heaviest methods

Method	Costs	Benefits	B/CR	ROI	NPV	BEP	ROA
PSPsm	\$105,600	\$1,755,148	17:1	1,562%	\$1,414,174	\$945	\$1,672,907
TSPsm	\$148,400	\$1,706,648	12:1	1,050%	\$1,329,379	\$5,760	\$1,591,127
Inspections	\$82,073	\$897,499	11:1	994%	\$695,067	\$51,677	\$833,681
Agile	\$180,002	\$1,695,146	9:1	842%	\$1,287,817	\$7,483	\$1,556,997
SW-CMM[®]	\$311,433	\$1,153,099	4:1	270%	\$687,030	\$153,182	\$998,013
ISO 9001	\$173,000	\$566,844	3:1	228%	\$317,828	\$1,196,206	\$486,750
CMMI[®]	\$1,108,233	\$1,153,099	1:1	4%	-\$109,770	\$545,099	\$891,412

ROI of Traditional Methods

- Traditional Methods were ordered using ROI
- Traditional Methods had high ROI value of 1,562%
- Agile Methods had better ROI than heaviest methods



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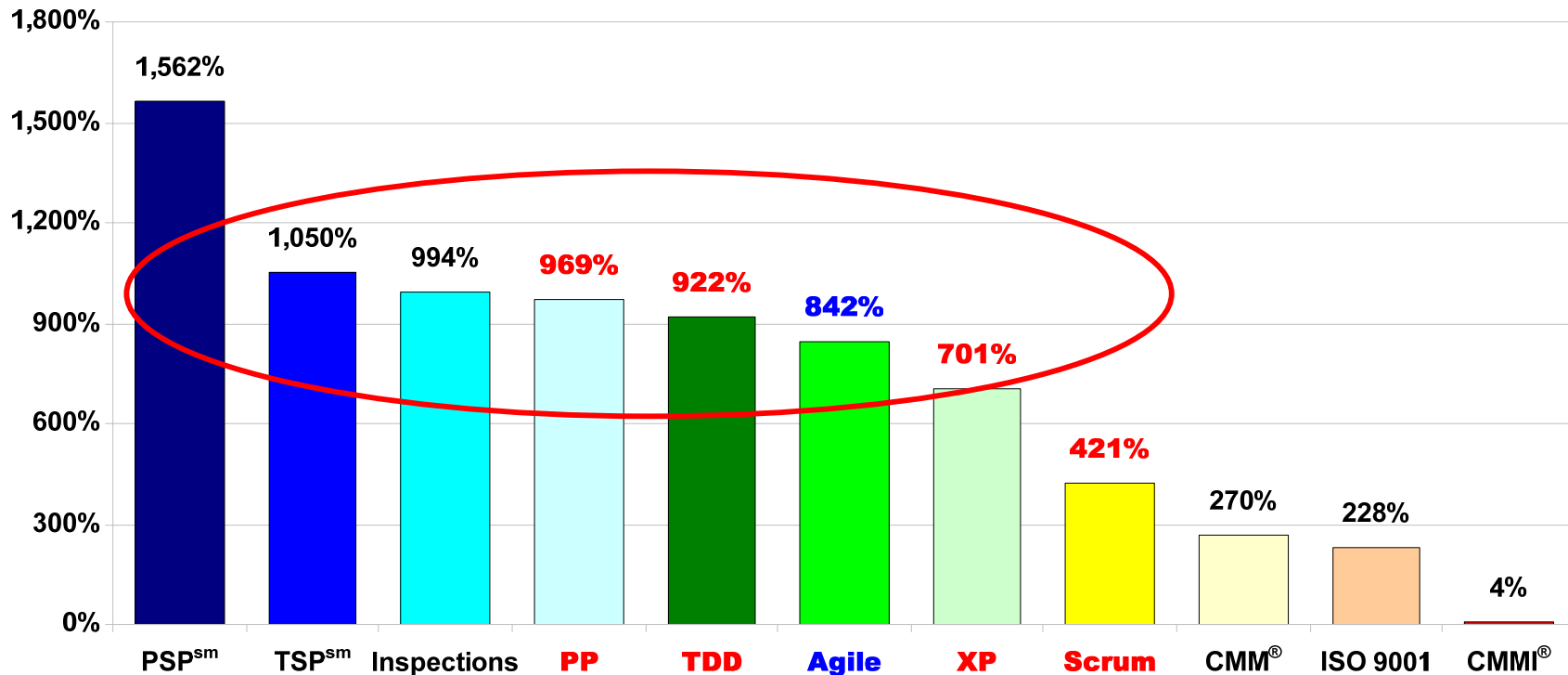
- Software methods were ranked based on ROI
- Methods with good cost and quality had best ROI
- Best Agile and Traditional Methods had similar ROI

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ROI of All Methods

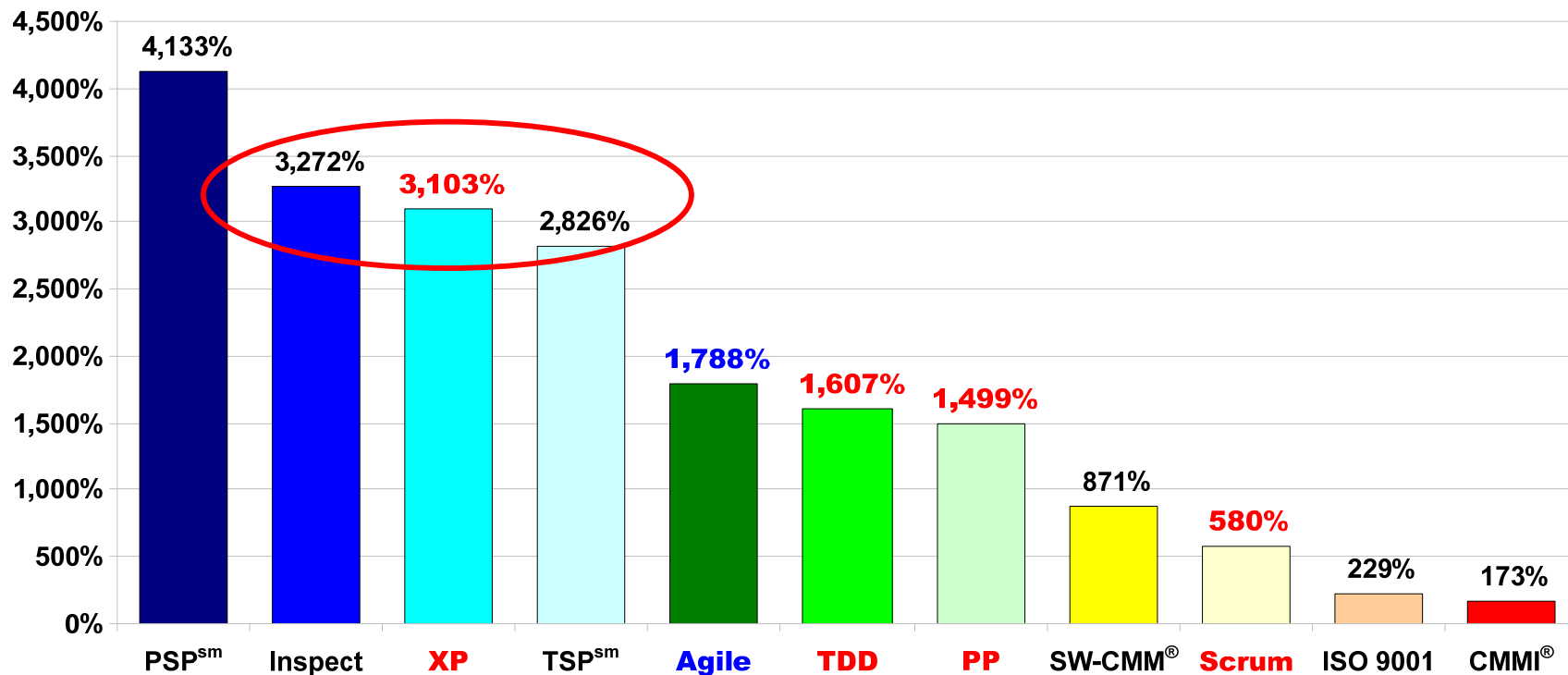
- ❑ Software methods were ordered by ROI
- ❑ Agile Methods had a high ROI value of 969%
- ❑ Traditional Methods had high ROI value of 1,562%



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Unadjusted ROI of All Methods

- Are data based on unrealistic laboratory conditions?
- Are productivity data from lab studies optimistic?
- Are total lifecycle costs closer to 1:10:100?



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Benefit Summary

- Agile (138 pt.) and Traditional Methods (99 pt.)
- Agile Methods fare better in all benefits categories
- Agile Methods 459% better than Traditional Methods

Agile Methods

Category	Low	Median	High
Cost	10%	26%	70%
Schedule	11%	71%	700%
Productivity	14%	122%	712%
Quality	10%	70%	1,000%
Satisfaction	70%	70%	70%
ROI	240%	2,633%	8,852%

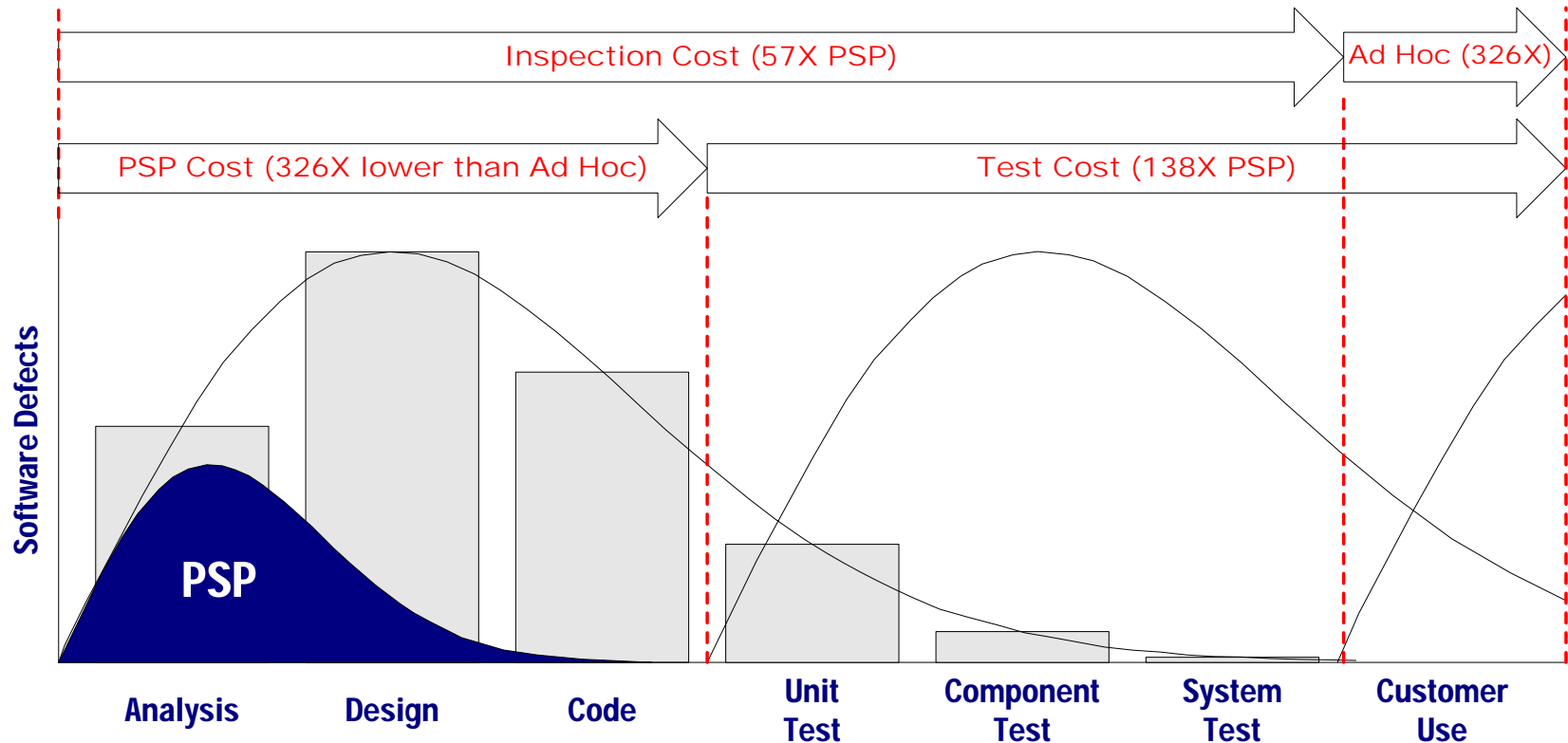


Traditional Methods

Category	Low	Median	High
Cost	3%	20%	87%
Schedule	2%	37%	90%
Productivity	9%	62%	255%
Quality	7%	50%	132%
Satisfaction	-4%	14%	55%
ROI	200%	470%	2,770%

Cost of Quality

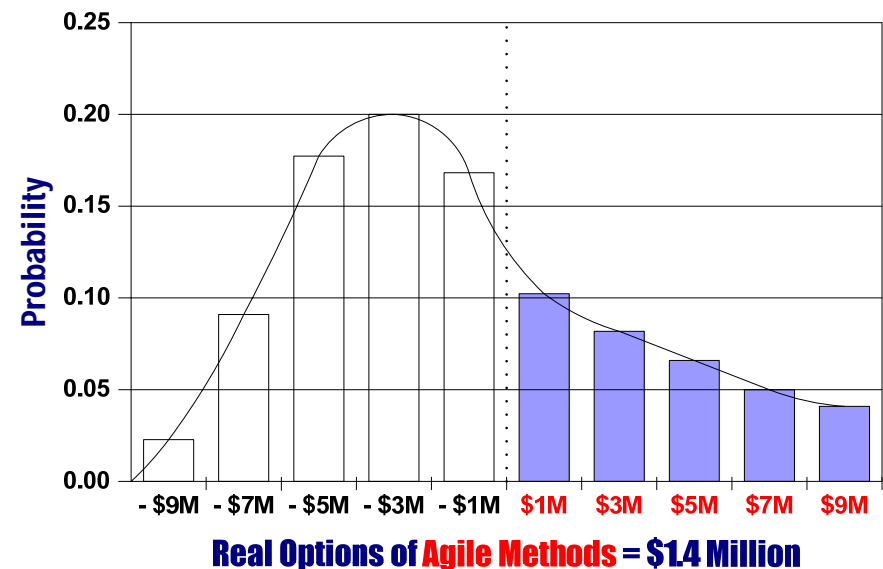
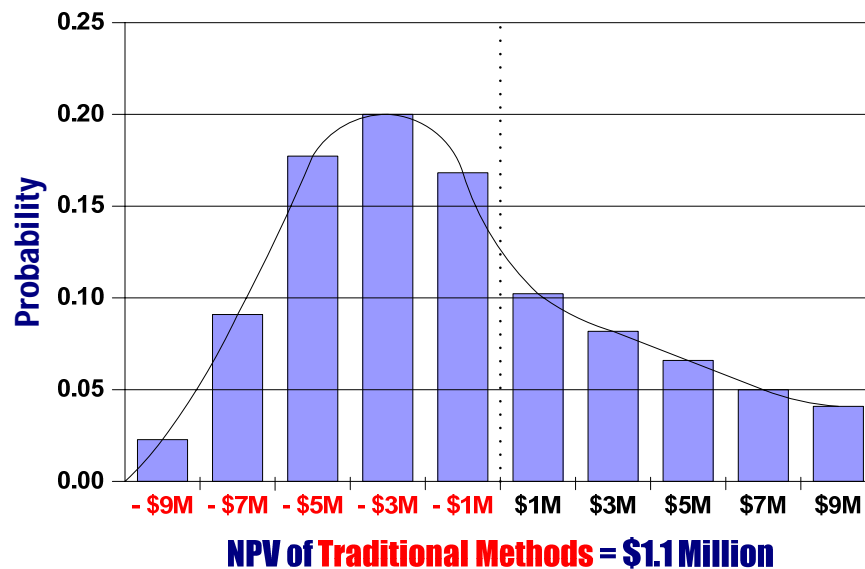
- Apply traditional reliability and quality theory
- Defects are inexpensive to remove early in cycle
- Late bug removal has negative, multiplicative effect



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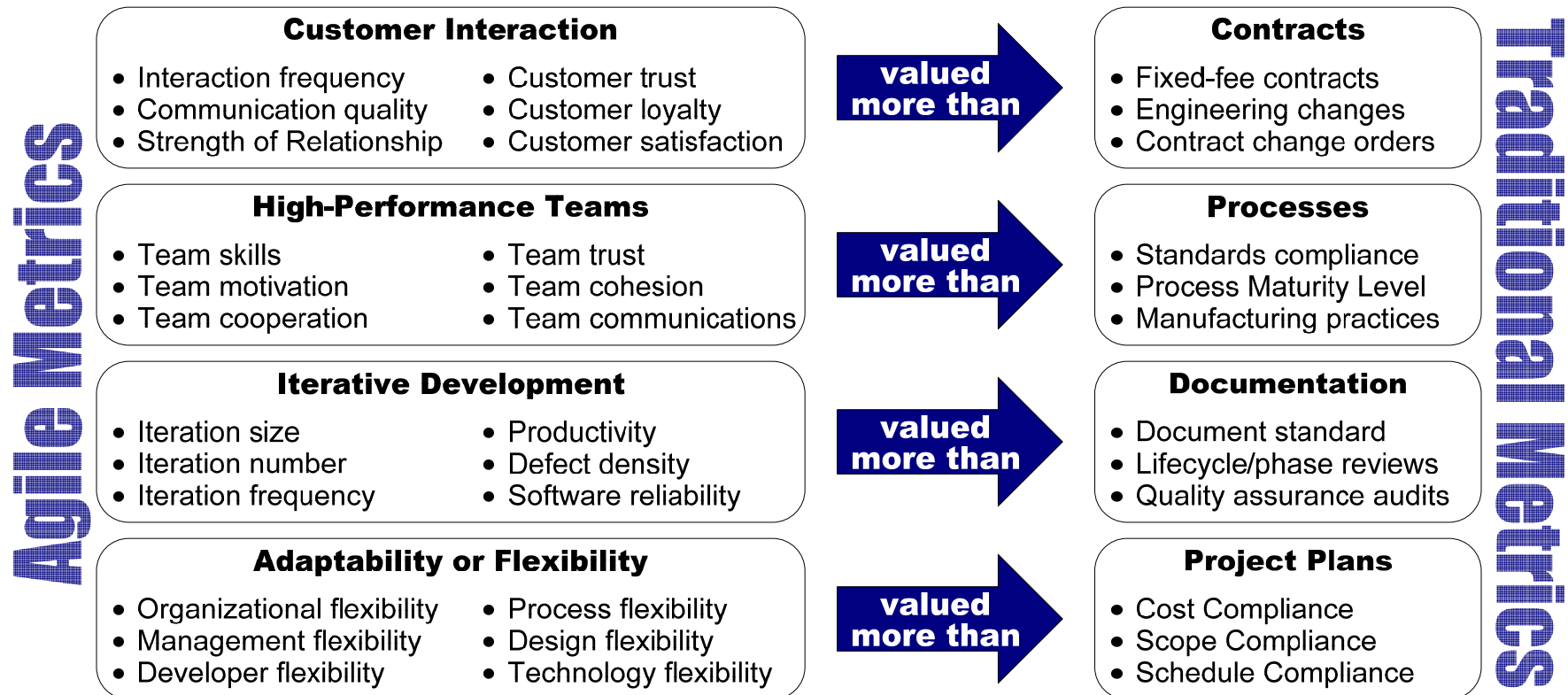
Real Options

- NPV models losses of Traditional Methods
- Real options model profits from Agile Methods
- Agile Methods incur less initial risk and higher ROI



Agile vs. Traditional Metrics

- Agile Methods are a fundamentally new paradigm
- Agile Methods are “not” lighter Traditional Methods
- They should not be viewed through a Traditional lens



New Book

- Guide to Agile Methods for business leaders
- Communicates business value of Agile Methods
- Rosetta stone to Agile Methods for Traditional folks

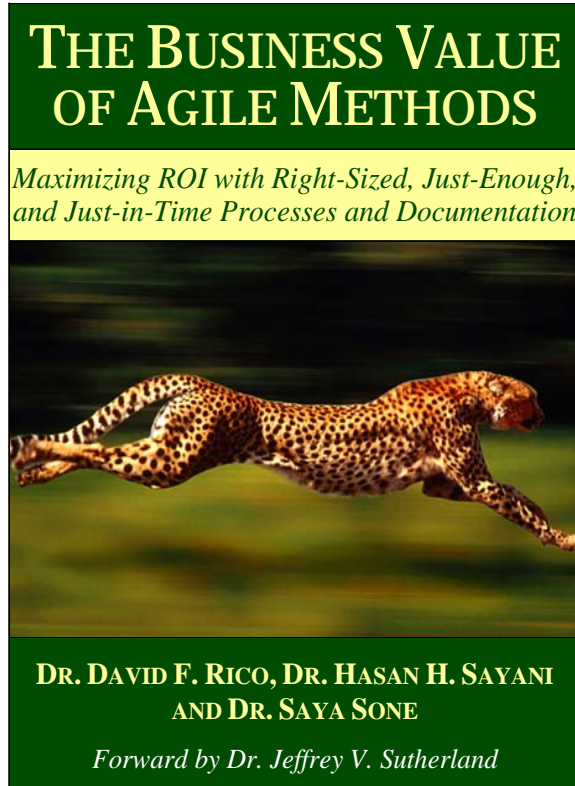


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