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FIGURE 1: ENTERPRISE-LEVEL TRANSFORMATION

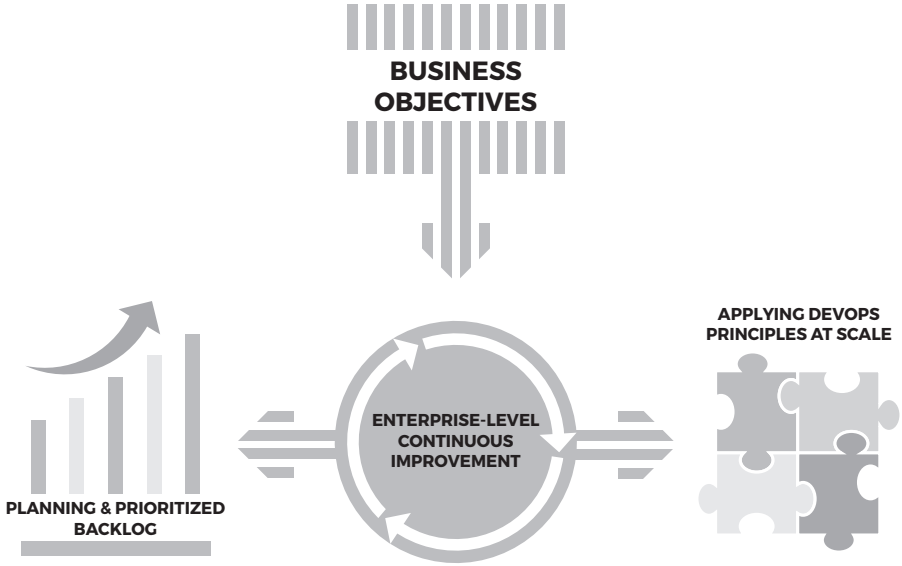
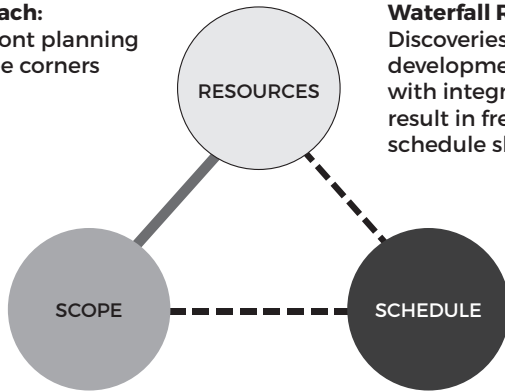


FIGURE 2: WATERFALL DEVELOPMENT MODEL



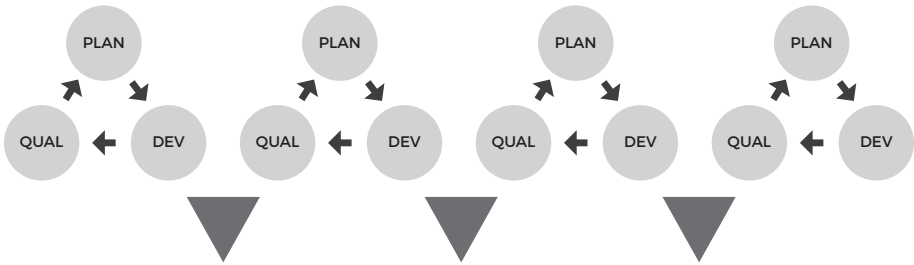
**Waterfall Approach:**  
Do enough up-front planning  
to lock in all three corners



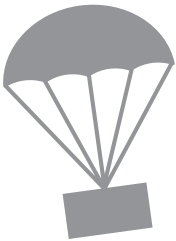
**Waterfall Reality:**  
Discoveries during  
development and difficulties  
with integration/qualification  
result in frequent and costly  
schedule slips



FIGURE 3: AGILE DEVELOPMENT MODEL



DROPS OF WORKING COMPLETE CODE ON A FIXED INTERVAL



- Fully qualified code drops on a fixed schedule
- Frequent small integrations
- Short planning and development cycles
- Delivering to a well-prioritized product backlog

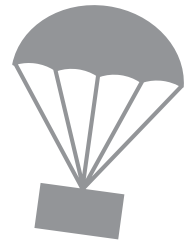


FIGURE 4A: CYCLE-TIME AND COST DRIVERS 2008

Cycle-Time



Cost

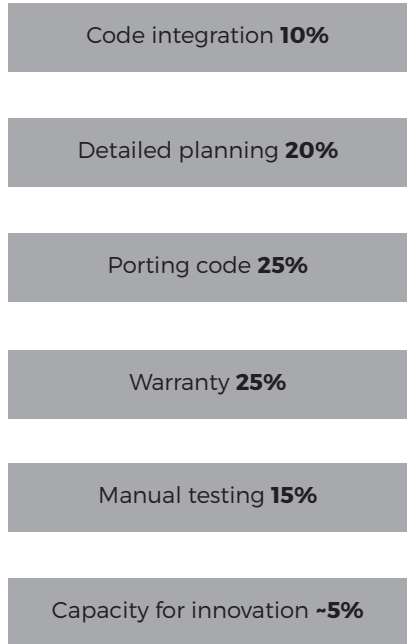


FIGURE 4B: CYCLE-TIME DRIVER IMPROVEMENTS

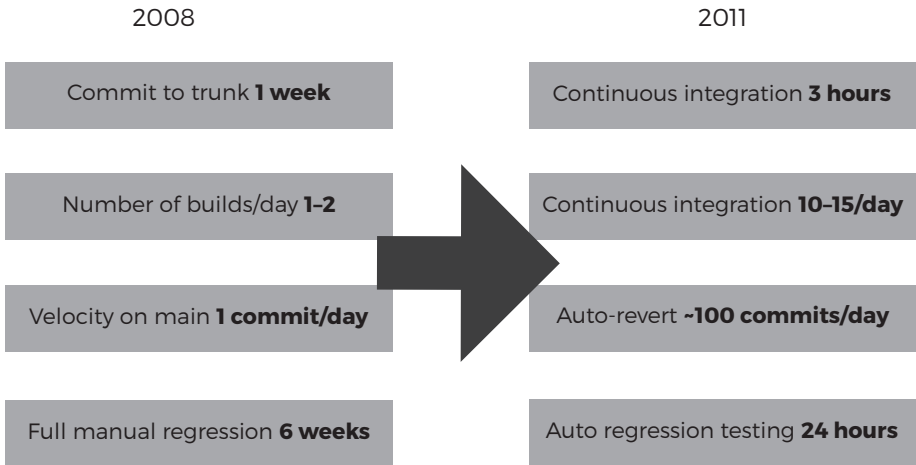
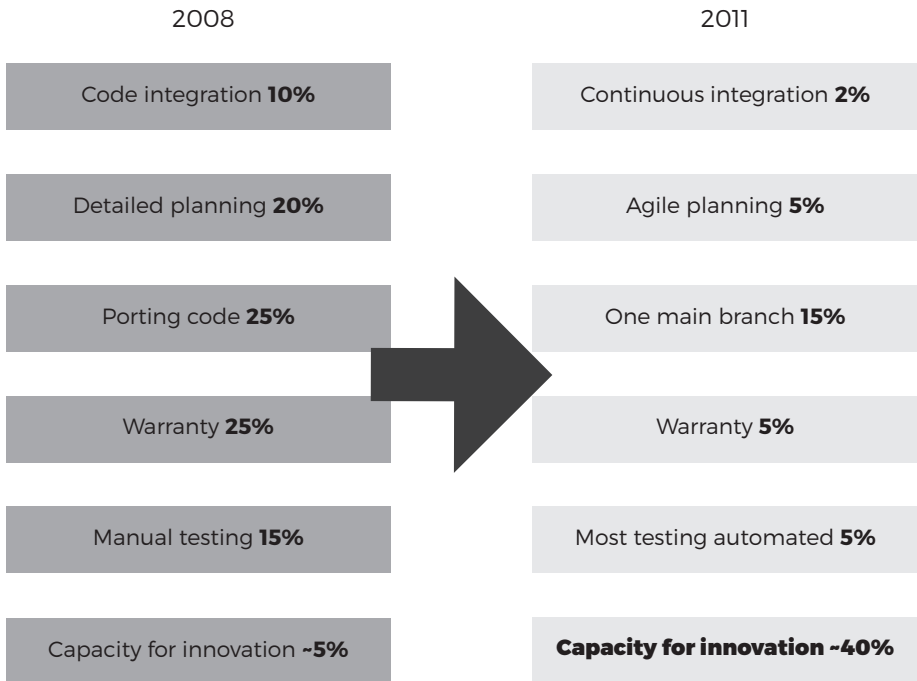


FIGURE 4C: DEVELOPMENT COST DRIVER IMPROVEMENTS



2011 intentionally not = 100%. The difference was used for further process improvements.

FIGURE 4D: STATE-OF-THE-ART FIRMWARE DEVELOPMENT MODEL

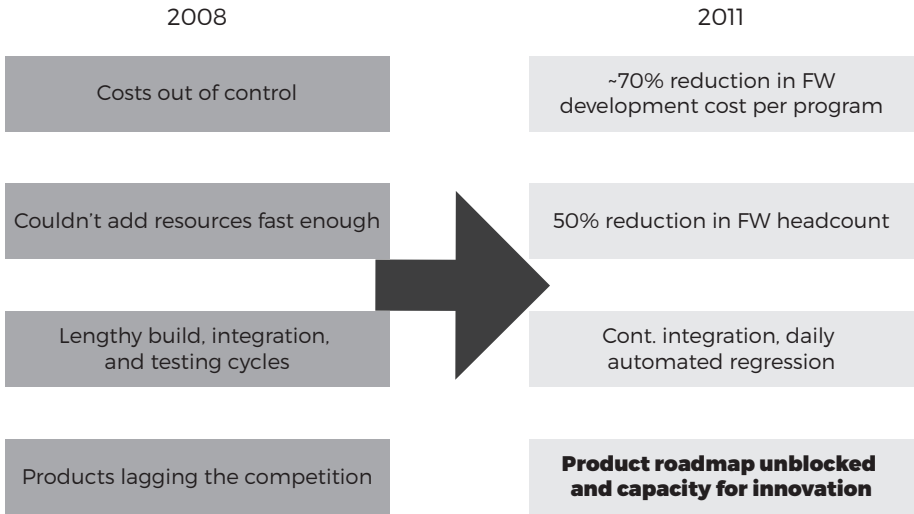
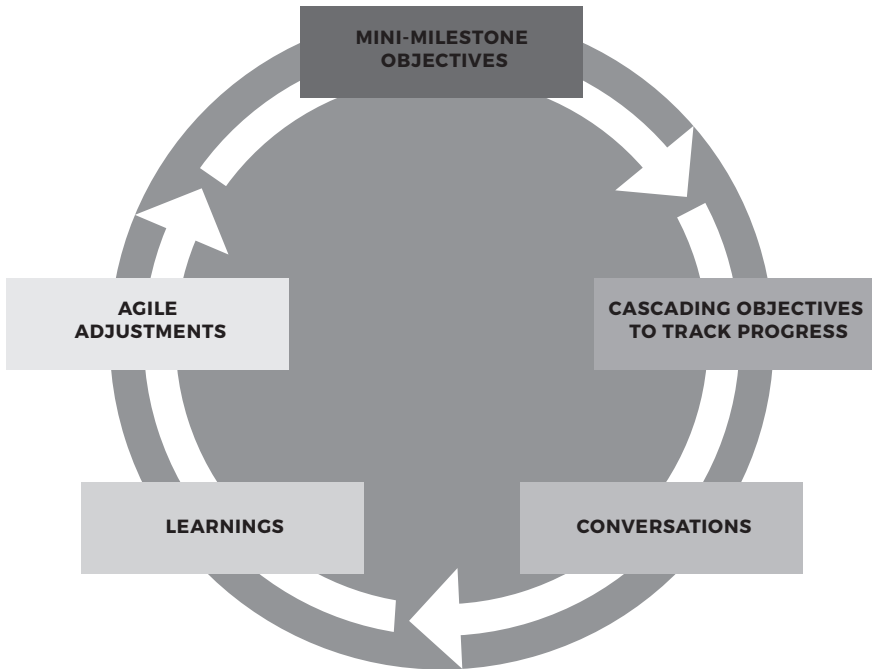


FIGURE 5: MM30 CHECKPOINT STATUS

RANK	THEME	EXIT CRITERIA
0	Quality	- P1 open < 1wk - CAT 100% pass - L2 24hr response
1	1st bit release on new Arch for WinXP scanner	<b>A) Final P1 defects fixed</b> 2 remaining. B) Duration error rate per 10K: 0.3 (sim), 0.35 (emul), <b>0.4 (product)</b>
2	Ensuring common code stability on WinCE & the CE products supported	A) Customer acpt level (CAT) tests 100% passing on CE B) Test coverage appropriate for CE added to L1 (Terrese) C) All L2 pillars 98% pass – w/ coverage for high-value Product turn-on reqts for the CE products D) L4emu test pillars – LLFW (Arch), copy/PDL (Brian), PD (Hugh) E) Garnet L3 CAT in place with at least L4 CAT equivalence
3	Supporting the product reqs for the MIPS based products on CE	A) Calibration dependencies (Kimberly/Brian/Ted/Steve / Matt F) B) Print for an hour at speed to finisher with stapling (all) C) Copy for an hour <b>at speed</b> 35ppm (40ppm is at speed) <b>D) Enter/exit powersave (Steve / Mike)</b> Approved to push out to MM31 E) Mfg test suite exec on Coral <b>emulator with FIM support</b> (Terrese) <b>F) Automated FIM - no bash prompt (Steve)</b> Approved to push to MM31
4	Start porting CE code to ARM	A) Build single ARM system (Terrese) Feasibility proven. 2 DLL's to re-compile. B) High-level analysis of FW performance on ARM (Pat) Lowered priority.
5	Fleet Integr plan	Align on content for Coral/Garnet "slivers" of end-to-end agile test in ES. Overall plan in place. Need sliver details or will just deliver same as to PTO's.
BONUS		1st ARM/CE product - End-to-end boot, print, copy

- Done
- Not done
- Close enough

FIGURE 6: ENTERPRISE-LEVEL CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT



**FIGURE 7: LONG-TERM PREDICTABILITY FOR SOFTWARE SCHEDULES**

Do we really need the predictability of our current planning processes?  
Are our current planning processes really that accurate?  
50% of all software is never used or does not meet the business objectives!

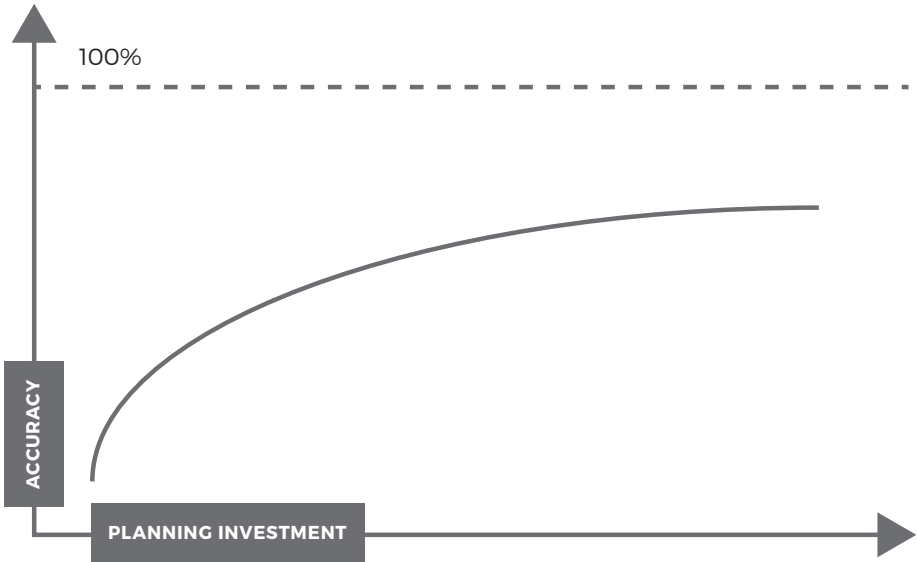




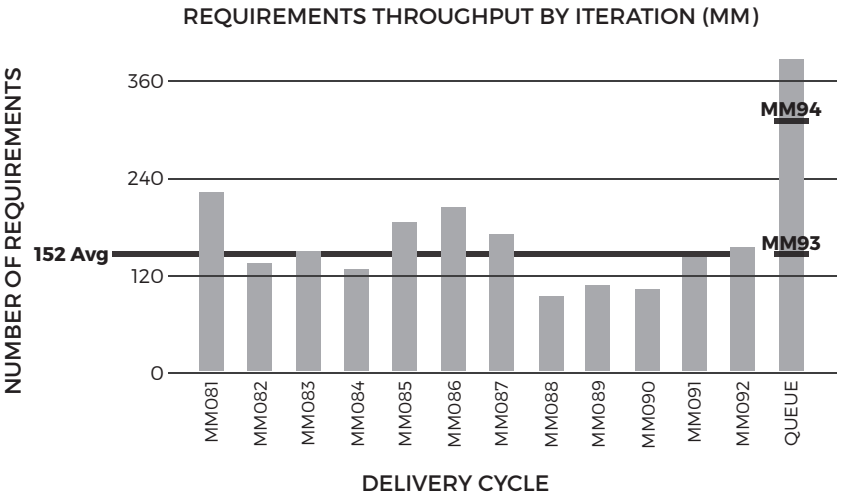
FIGURE 8: LEFTOVER CAPACITY

HIGH-LEVEL ESTIMATE—FW ENGINEERING MONTHS

RANK	INITIATIVE	Component 1 (25-30)	Component 2 (20-25)	Component 3 (30-40)	Component 4 (30-40)	Component 5 (20-30)	Component 6 (20-30)	Component 7 (20-30)	Component 8 (15-25)	Component 9 (20-30)	Component 10 (40-50)	Component 11 (20-30)	Other Items	TOTAL
1	Initiative A		21			5	3			1				30
2	Initiative B	3						4					17	24
3	Initiative C		5						1	2	1			9
4	Initiative D						10		2	2	2			16
5	Initiative E				20				3				5	28
6	Initiative F	23						5		6			2	36
7	Initiative G									2				2
8	Initiative H								5					5
9	Initiative I												3	3
10	Initiative J		20	27		17			21	39	17	9		150
11	Initiative K			3	30	3		3		14			12	65
12	Initiative L									2				2
13	Initiative M	3					10		6	6	6			31
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# Time maxed-out

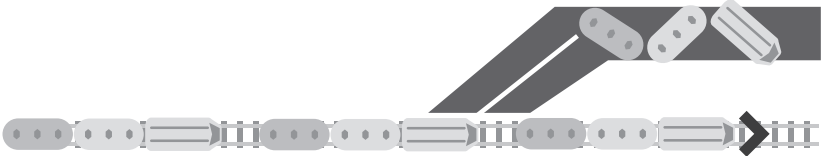
**FIGURE 9: FUTURES MSMART FIRMWARE USER STORIES PER SPRINT ESTIMATING SHORT-TERM FEATURES BASED ON DELIVERY**



**FIGURE 10: TRAIN WRECK BLOCKING CODE PROGRESSION**

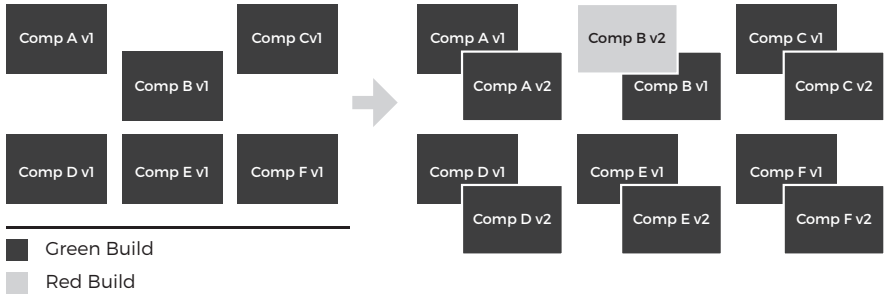


**FIGURE 11: GATING COMMITS**

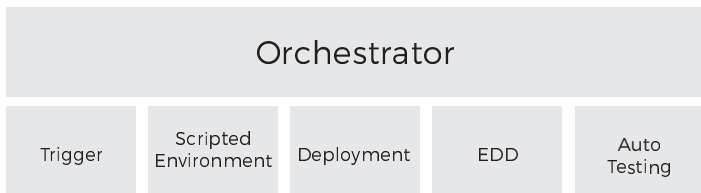


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**FIGURE 12: ENSURING THE ARCHITECTURE/BUILD SYSTEM IS READY**



**FIGURE 13: CONTINUOUS DELIVERY  
PICKING THE RIGHT TOOL FOR THE JOB**



**FIGURE 14: SCRIPTED ENVIRONMENT ARCHITECTURE**

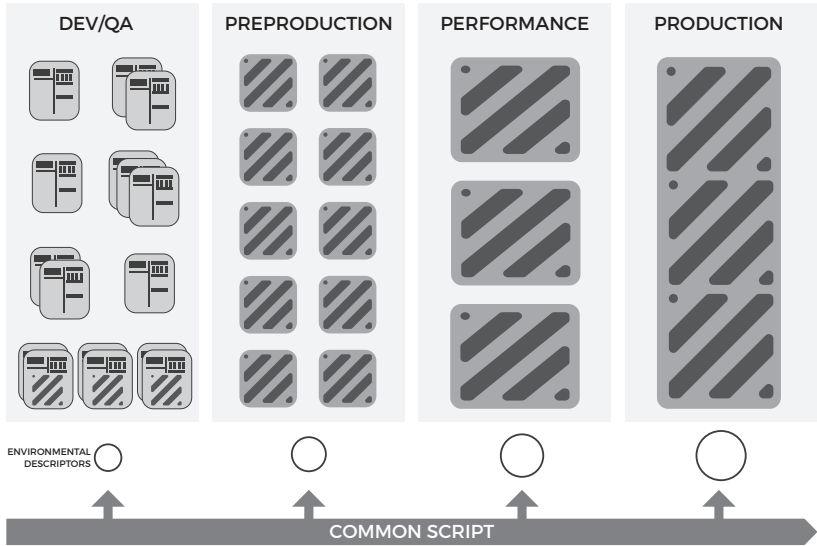


FIGURE 15A: FINDING THE OFFENDING COMPONENT QUICKLY IMPROVES PRODUCTIVITY

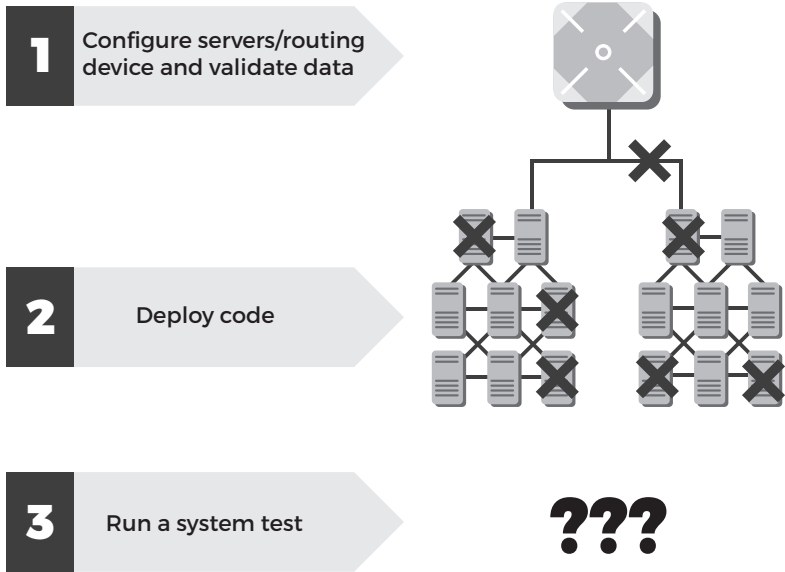
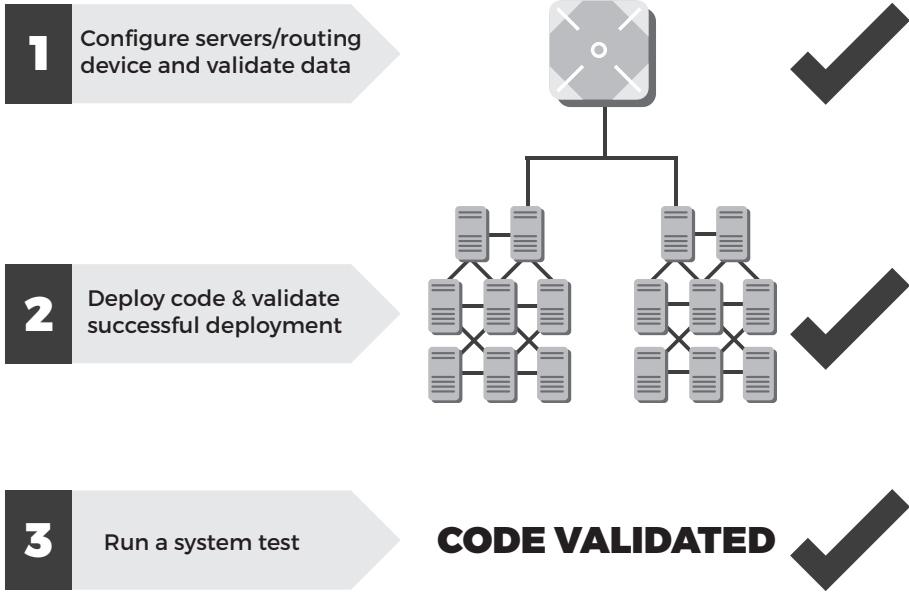


FIGURE 15B: FINDING THE OFFENDING COMPONENT QUICKLY IMPROVES PRODUCTIVITY



**FIGURE 16: BUILDING UP THE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM**

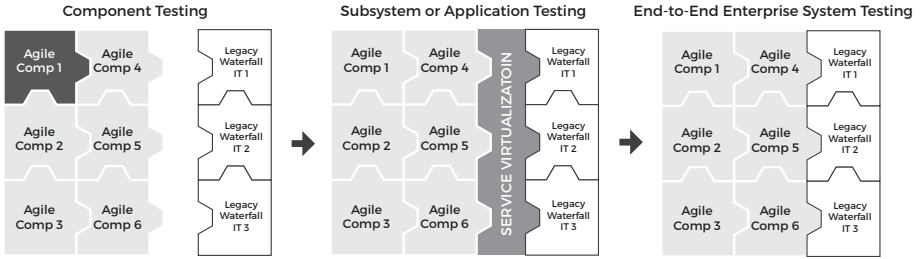


FIGURE 17: BUILDING UP THE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM

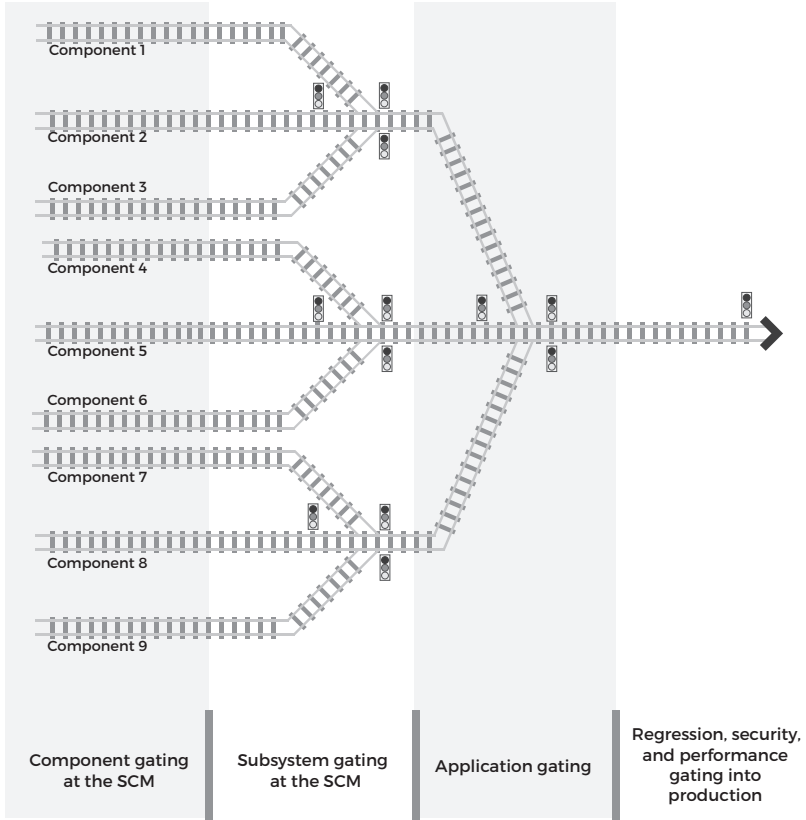
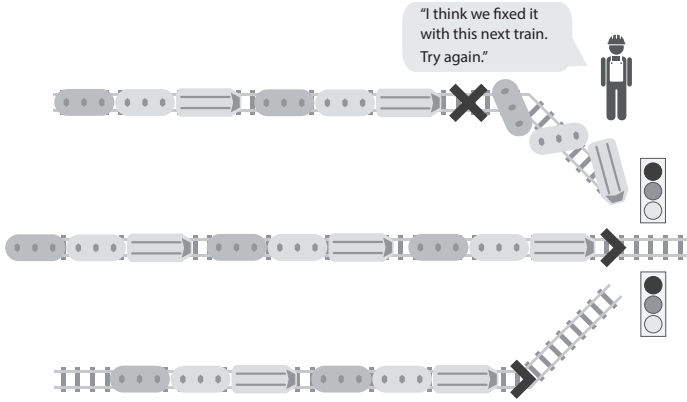




FIGURE 18: APPLICATION GATING



**FIGURE 19: LOOSELY COUPLED ARCHITECTURE  
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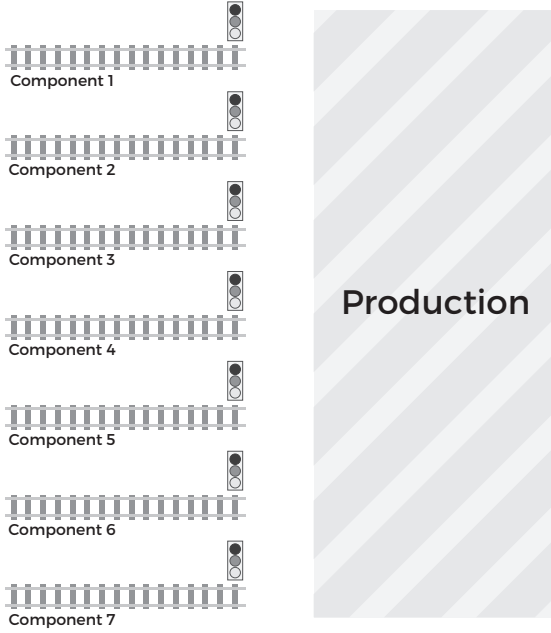


FIGURE 20: RELEASE READINESS

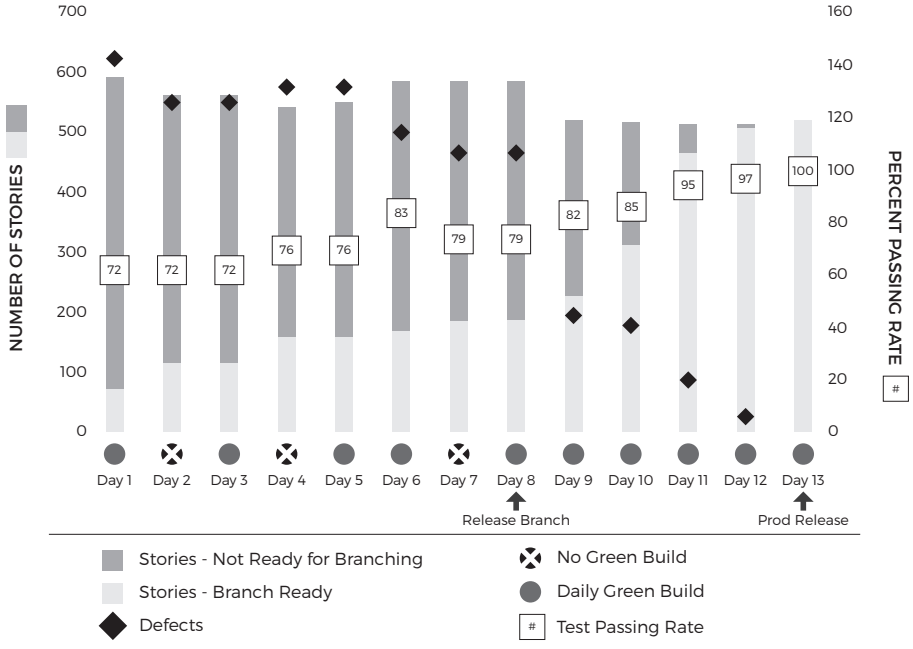
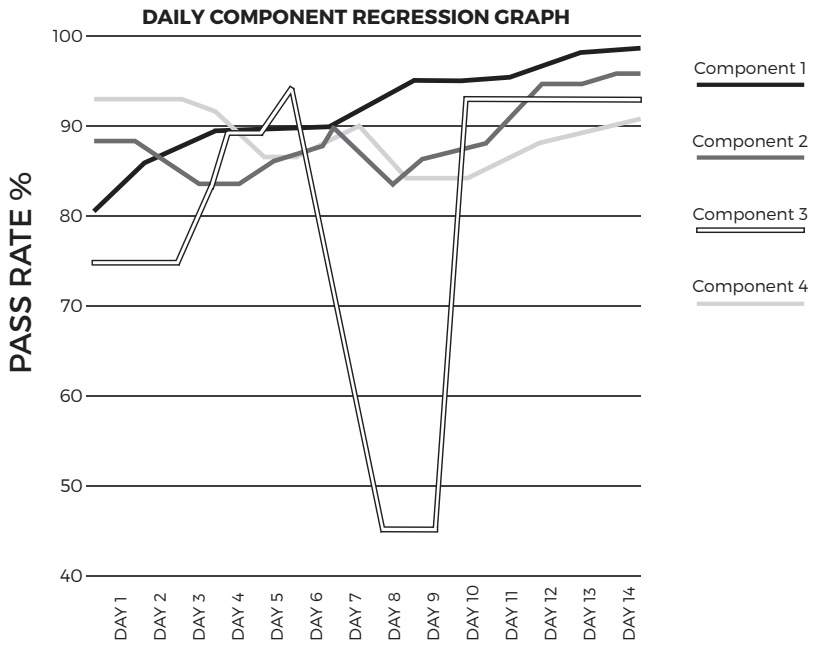
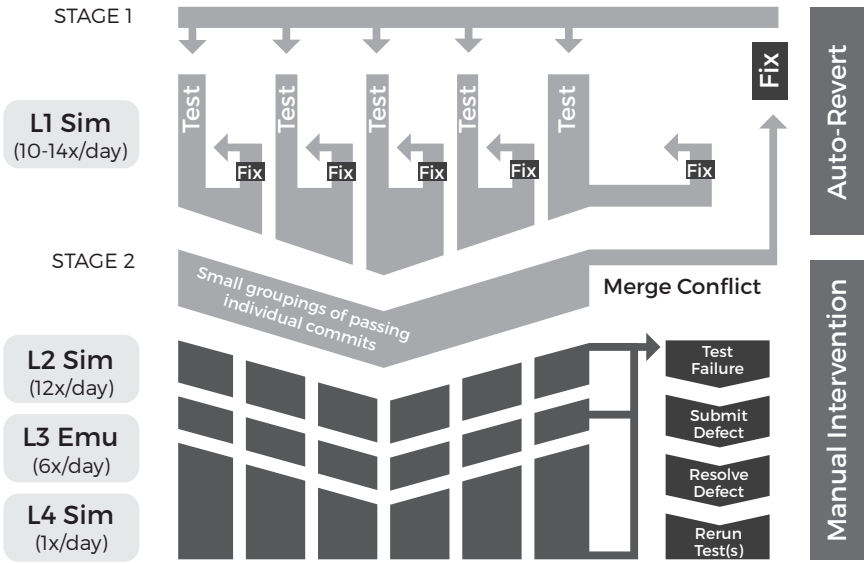


FIGURE 21: FARMING THE BUILD ACCEPTANCE



**FIGURE 22: CONTINUOUS INTEGRATION AND TEST SYSTEM**



**FIGURE 23: EMBEDDED SYSTEM PIPELINE**

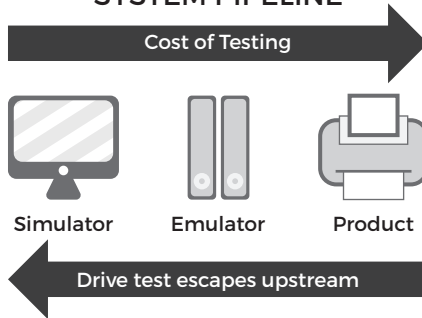
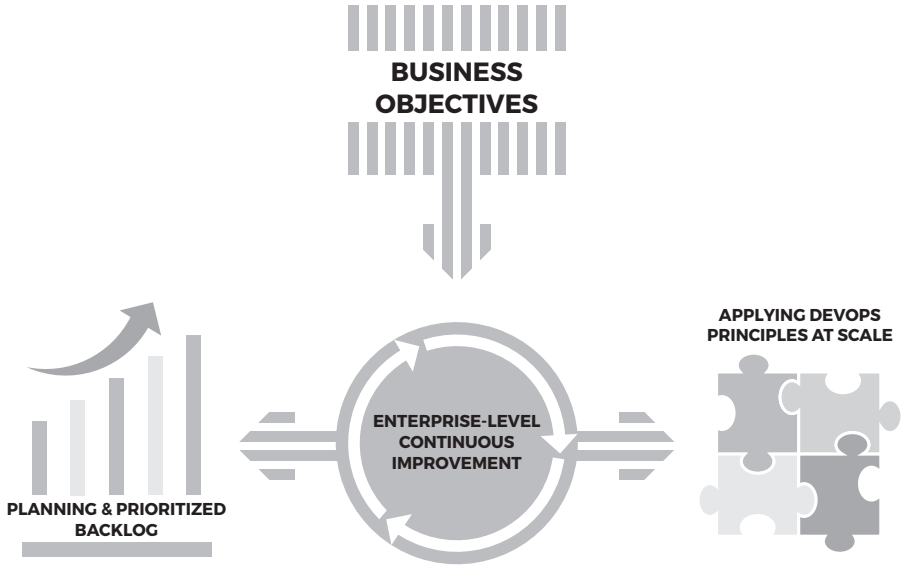


FIGURE 24: ENTERPRISE-LEVEL TRANSFORMATION



## FURTHER READING

*Lean Enterprise: How High Performance Organizations Innovate at Scale*  
Jez Humble, Joanne Molesky, and Barry O'Reilly

This is the most important book executives should be reading as soon as they have developed the ability to release on a more frequent basis. It shows how to take advantage of this new capability to address the 50% of features that are never used or do not meet their intended business objectives.

*A Practical Approach to Large-Scale Agile Development*  
Gary Gruver, Mike Young, and Pat Fulghum

This is a good, easy-to-read case study that will give the reader a good feel for the transformation journey of one organization. It provides more details on the HP experience referenced heavily in this book.

*Toyota Kata: Managing People for Improvement, Adaptiveness, and Superior Results*  
Mike Rother

This book provides a manufacturing example of how a continuous improvement culture can be a long-term competitive advantage. There are a lot of similarities to what is being done in software, but readers should be aware that software processes are also different from manufacturing. Work is unique each time instead of being repetitive, so it is going to be more difficult to get a quantitative feel for each change. Software leaders are going to have to spend time in the organization getting a more qualitative feel for the effect of the change.

*Cucumber & Cheese: A Tester's Workshop*  
Jeff Morgan

This book should be read by lead developers and lead testers to ensure you are creating an automated testing framework that is maintainable and that quickly localizes defects.

*Continuous Delivery: Reliable Software Releases through Build, Test, and Deployment Automation*  
Jez Humble and David Farley

This is a must-read for all your engineers working on Continuous Delivery.

*Refactoring Databases: Evolutionary Database Design*  
Scott W. Ambler and Pramod J. Sadalage

This is must-read for all your database administrators and anyone telling you that trunk can't be always releasable due to database schema changes.



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