

Extending CMMI Level 4/5 Organizational Metrics Beyond Software Development

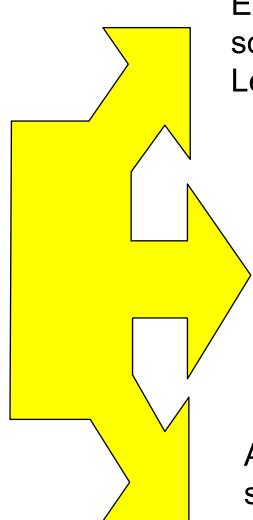
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The Challenge



Extending organizational metrics beyond software development to achieve CMMI Levels 4/5 requires breaking new ground.

Few examples exist for project types such as systems engineering (SE), operations and maintenance (O&M), services, hardware development.

A repeatable process for developing such metrics that avoids typical pitfalls is needed.

5 Major Pitfalls

- 1. Getting the cart before the horse business needs not driving metrics definition
- 2. Not taking advantage of in-house and/or industry experience
- Industry or in-house examples implemented organization wide without evaluating needs and/or impact
- 4. Insufficient stakeholder buy-in
- 5. Cost of collecting the metrics greater than the benefits to be derived

Northrop Grumman Mission Systems

- A leading global integrator of complex systems
 - Based on information technology and systems engineering expertise
 - Integrated solutions: architecture, development and sustainment
- Over \$5B 2004 Revenue
- 18,000+ Employees
- Diverse business base
 - 300 locations in 20 countries, 50 states
 - 2,000 active contracts and task orders

Command, Control & Intelligence



Technical & Management Services



CMMI Organizational Metrics Support Meeting Business Needs

- Leverage organization historical data to ensure accurate estimates for new work
 - Level 3: Historical data is the foundation for cost credibility and accuracy
- ✓ Understand process performance to enable more effective management
 - Level 4: Statistical process control – a means for understanding performance
- ✓ Improve process performance to increase competitive edge
 - Level 5: Improvement activities based on accurate measures

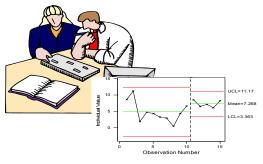
Level	Process Areas
5 Optimizing	Causal Analysis and Resolution Organizational Innovation and Deployment
4 Quantitatively Managed	Quantitative Project Management Organizational Process Performance
3 Defined	Requirements Development Technical Solution Product Integration Verification Validation Organizational Process Focus Organizational Process Definition Organizational Training Risk Management Integrated Project Management (for IPPD*) Integrated Teaming* Integrated Supplier Management** Decision Analysis and Resolution Organizational Environment for Integration*
2 Managed	Requirements Management Project Planning Project Monitoring and Control Supplier Agreement Management Measurement and Analysis Process and Product Quality Assurance Configuration Management
1 Performed	

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Supporting Infrastructure









Mature metrics collection

- Metrics repository
- Organization Metrics Manual
- Established organization baselines & models
- Established collection process

Engineering Process Group

- Provides stakeholder input
- Metrics/QM working group

Six Sigma/Lean

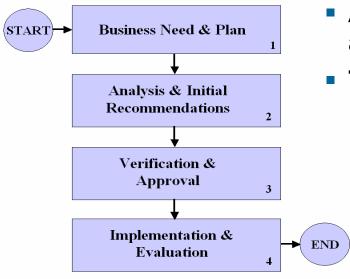
- Structure for improvement
- Tools & methods

CMMI Level 5

- Mature processes
- Structure for sharing best practices



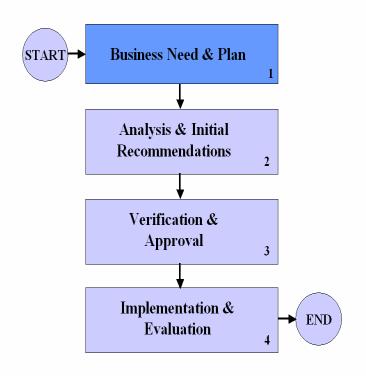
Standard Metric Development Process Overview



- Starts when the metric sponsor identifies a business need
- A Metric Development Project Lead is appointed to lead the process
- The standard process ensures:
 - Metric development is integrated into the annual overall organizational metrics planning;
 - The relationship and effect on the organizational standard processes is considered;
 - All stakeholders are kept informed and can provide inputs;
 - Results are documented and appropriate approvals are obtained.



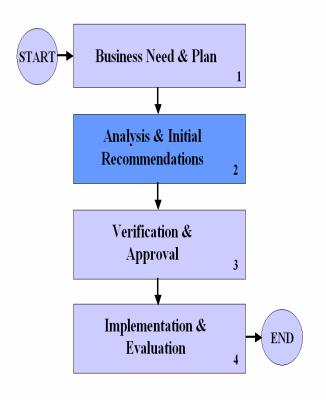
Step 1 – Business Need & Plan



- Develop business need description
- □ Identify Metric Sponsor, Metric Development Project Lead, affected process owners, other stakeholders
- Establish initial schedule for each process step and identify resources
- Coordinate with the organization stakeholders for integration with organization priorities and plans
- Document results



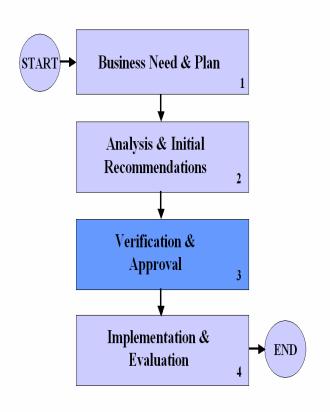
Step 2 – Analysis & Initial Recommendations



- Assess and evaluate related in-house metrics use
- Assess and evaluate related industry metrics use
- Analyze fit related to meeting business needs
- Evaluate potential impact on policy/processes/projects
- Specify proposed metrics
- Evaluate cost vs. benefit
- Document results



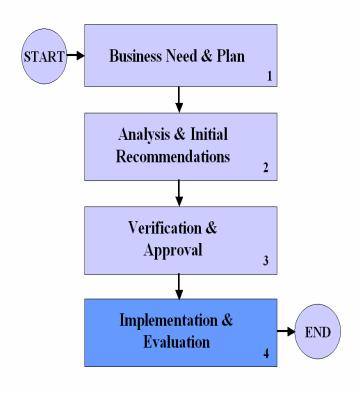
Step 3 – Verification & Approval



- Obtain stakeholder input and verification of satisfaction of business needs
- Update plans and metrics definition as needed
- Prepare draft Change Request and supporting documentation
- Document results
- Obtain required organization/CCB approvals (provide documented process results to approval authorities)



Step 4 – Implementation & Evaluation



- Implement metrics collection
- Analyze results
- Prepare results for use
- Prepare recommendations for changes or needed actions



Metric Development Documentation Outline

Business Need and Plan (documents results of process step 1)

- ✓ Business need description
- ✓ Metric Sponsor, Metric Dev Project Lead, stakeholder identification
- Target/actual completion date and status for each process step

Analysis and Initial Recommendation (documents results of process step 2)

- ✓ In-house metrics assessment
- ✓ Industry metrics assessment
- Other analysis results
- ✓ Impact evaluation
- ✓ Definition of proposed metric(s)

Verification and Approval (documents results of process step 3)

- Record of stakeholder input and review
- Mapping to business needs
- Change Request to related documentation
- ✓ Record of required org/CCB approvals

Post Collection Analysis and Recommendations (documents results of process step 4)

Summary of analysis results and recommendations

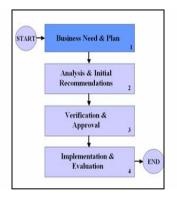


Northrop Grumman Mission Systems Case Studies

- O&M Metrics Example
- Systems Engineering Metrics Example

O&M Metrics Development Example

Step 1 Highlight – Business Needs

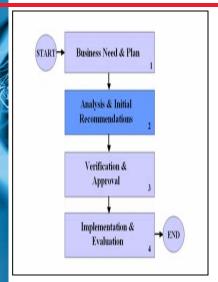


- Prediction of effort for new work requires productivity values for key O&M processes
 - Defect Correction
 - Small Enhancements
 - Help Desk Support
 - Operations Support
- ➤ Additional needs to provide the organization with more useful process performance baselines and/or models

Background goal to limit impact on projects and the organization collection system



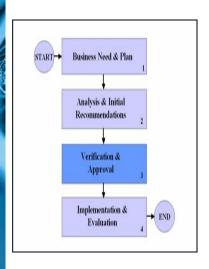
Step 2 Highlight — Analysis: Sources & Eval



- In-house metric sources
 - Projects A, B and C
 - Projects used defect related metrics similar to development projects for project specific baselines/models
 - Recommend expanding defect metrics to O&M project activities
 - Metrics currently collected as part of the organization data collection
 - Potentially useful productivity measures could be computed from metrics already being collected
 - Need more data points
- Industry metric sources considered
 - SEER-SEM and COCOMO cost models
 - Use to validate productivity values



Step 3 Highlight – Verification Against Business Needs



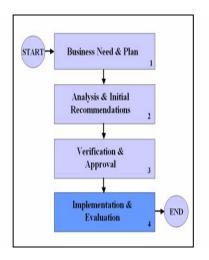
- Prediction of effort for new work
 - Currently collect potentially useful metrics to enable computation of needed productivity measures
- Providing more useful organization process performance baselines/models
 - Potentially this need will be met by the currently collected data and the addition of selected defect data
 - Analysis against productivities derived from existing data shows promise

Productivity = Size/Effort

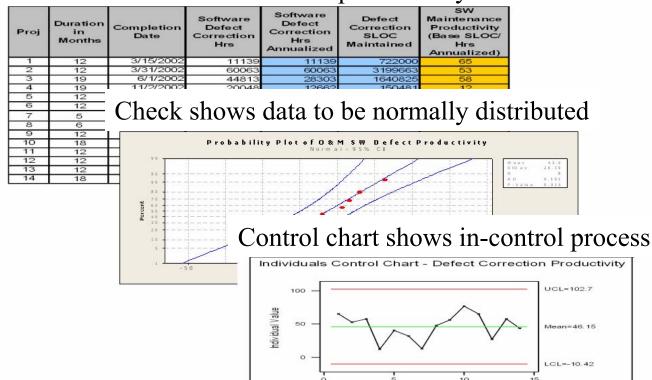
Process	Potential Size Metric(s)	Effort Metric From Related Standard WBS Line Item (s)
Software Defect Correction	# base code SLOC,	12.1.3 Software Defect Correction
Small SW Enhancements	<pre># base code SLOC, # base code SLOC affected, # SLOC added, # SLOC changed # SLOC deleted</pre>	12.1.6 Software Enhancements
Help Desk Support	# sites supported, # users supported, # calls per week, # hours per week	12.1.9 Help Desk Support

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Step 4 Highlight – Eval of Collected Data



Notional raw defect correction productivity data

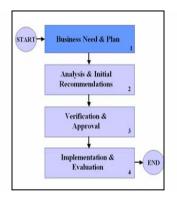


Productivity useful for estimating and as organization baseline data



Systems Engineering (SE) Metrics Development Example

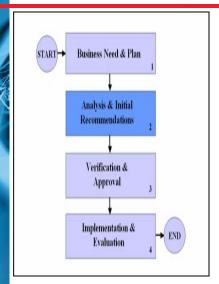
Step 1 Highlight – Business Needs



- Prediction of effort for new work requires productivity values for key systems engineering processes
 - Architecture definition, Concept of Operations Development (including scenario and use case development)
 - □ Requirements Analysis (including system, software, and hardware)
 - Major Interface Definition
 - Performance Modeling
- Additional needs to provide the organization with useful process performance baselines and/or models
- Provide ability to support development and use of COSYSMO estimating model



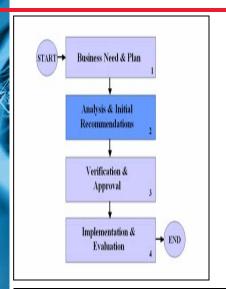
Step 2 Highlight – Analysis: Sources & Eval



- In-house metric sources considered & eval
 - Division Six Sigma Project on System Sizing Cost Estimating Relationships
 - COSYSMO size measures fit primary needs for division and organization use
 - Projects A, B use of cycle-time and other metrics for key processes
 - Metrics too specific for organization use
 - Currently collected SE metrics
 - Need a few additions to support desired productivity calculations
 - SE metrics discussion with stakeholders
- Industry metric sources considered
 - USC/Industry COSYSMO SE cost model
 - INCOSE Systems Engineering Measurement Primer
 - Papers and Presentations



Step 2 Highlight – Analysis: Candidate Process Performance Metrics



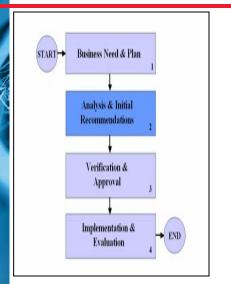
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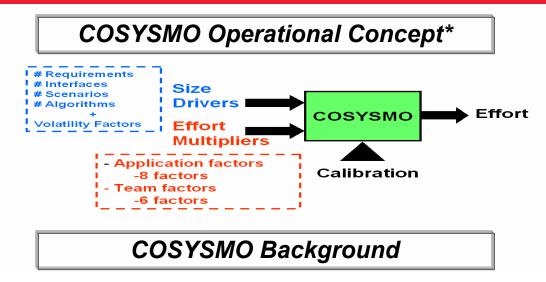
Size Effort

Process	Potential Size Metric(s)	Effort Metric From Related Standard WBS Line Item(s)
Requirements Analysis	# system reqs, # SW reqs, # HW reqs, # scenarios	2.3 System Requirements, 2.5 SW Requirements Analsyis, 2.4 HW Requirements Analysis,
Architecture/Concept of Operations	# system reqs, # SW reqs, # HW reqs, # scenarios	2.6 Architecture Analysis/System Design, 2.8 Operations Concept Definition
Major Interface Definition	# interfaces	2.7 Interface Definition



Step 2 Highlight – Analysis: Constructive Systems Engineering Cost Model (COSYSMO)

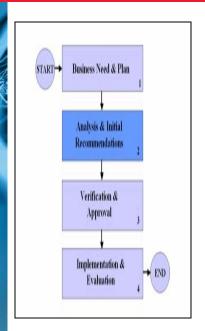




- □ Part of COCOMO Suite of models being developed under the guidance of Dr. Barry Boehm, the Director of the Center for Software Engineering at USC
- Goal to more accurately estimate the time and effort associated with performing the system engineering tasks defined by ISO/IEC 15288
- Development started in 2002, with industry (USC affiliates) and INCOSE involvement
- 42 historical data points from 6 companies; 15 business units
- Northrop Grumman participating in the development and submittal of history data
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Step 2 Highlight – Initial Recommendations

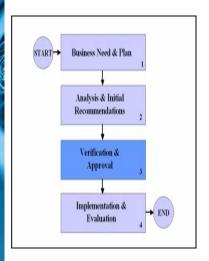


- Include the four COSYSMO size parameters, with difficulty level
- Add hardware requirements metrics
- Add collection of defect data for system requirements, hardware requirements and scenario/use case reviews
- Proposed Mods to the organization Standard WBS
 - Separate architecture, SW COTS assessment, HW COTS assessment
 - Separate performance modeling and life cycle cost analysis

Modifications to the organization data collection, Metrics Manual and related documents



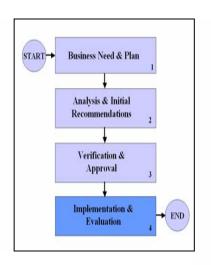
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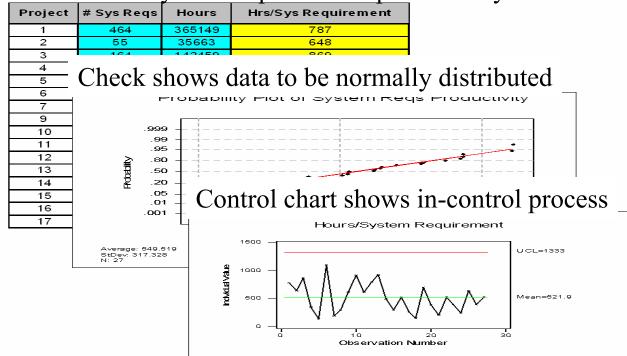
- Prediction of effort for new work
 - Size and accounting data already collected or identified for addition can potentially meet this need
 - COSYSMO should be of use as well
- Development of organization process performance baselines/models
 - Potentially this need will be met by the recommended data
 - Analysis against productivities derived from existing data shows promise
- Support of COSYSMO development & use
 - Existing plus new metrics support this



Step 4 Highlight – Eval of Collected Data



Notional raw system requirements productivity data



Productivity useful for estimating and organization baseline data



Summary

A metrics development process should:

- Ensure business needs drive the process
- Take advantage of in-house and industry experience and best practices
- Include obtaining stakeholder input and buyin
- Ensure benefits are worth the cost
- Include documentation and postimplementation evaluation

