Is there a misfit between the CMM/CMMI and corporate strategy?



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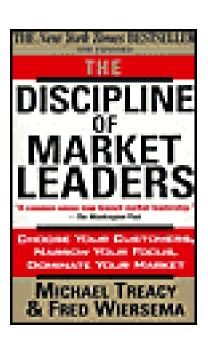
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Discipline of Market Leaders

- by Treacy & Wiersema
- Survey of 80 high performing firms
- Key to success: Focus
- One & only one of three strategies:
 - Operational excellence
 - Product innovativeness
 - Customer intimacy
- Must perform to a threshold level in other two.



Operationally Excellent

Highest quality => lowest cost

- "Formula" => short menu
- Process innovative











Customer Intimate

"Infinite" menu



- Measure: "walletshare"
- Total solution, 1-stop shopping, "one throat to choke"
- "Schmoozes"











Product Innovative

- Market leader in product innovation
- Measure: number of patents,
 Nobelists, turns in the marketplace

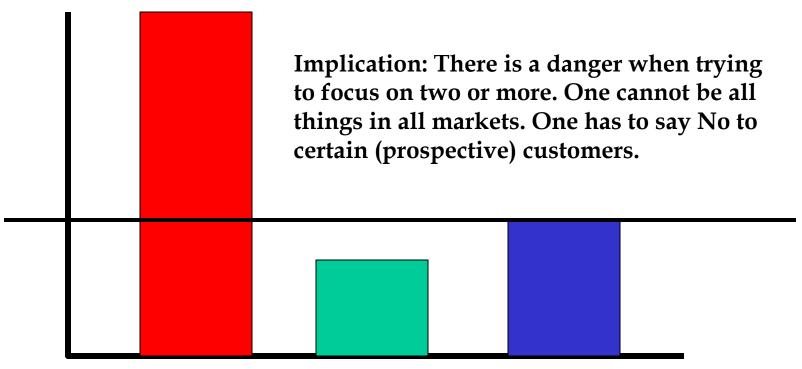


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Focus on one, have to meet the threshold in all



Square peg - round hole??



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Product innovative: features are key

• CMM KPA Goal 1: "xx is planned"

 Plan: "1.4 Innovation blinding insights be planned per fortnight"

Planning is not as important as understanding & challenging constraints Innovation cannot be planned

Innovativeness (cont.)

 Instead - risk manage

creativity (= OK to fail *in the small*)
Probably

Create an

Lightweight processes

documented only at highest level

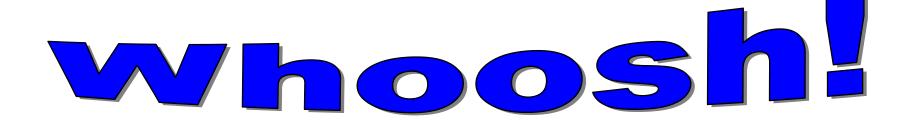
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Innovativeness (cont.)

- "Good enough quality" – quality that meets the threshold value
- High differentiation, high integration

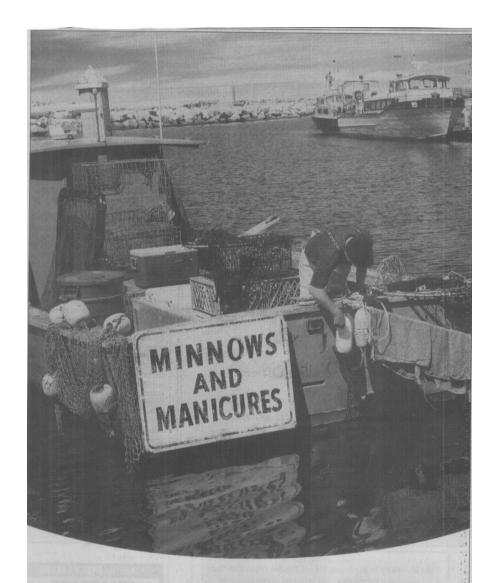
Benchmark quality & other attributes to tune values

Lots of experts + people whose job it is to benchmark and integrate, stay focused



Summary

- → "Fit" is an important, practical reality
- → When there is "fit" then adoption goes Whoosh!



It's better to do one thing and do it well.

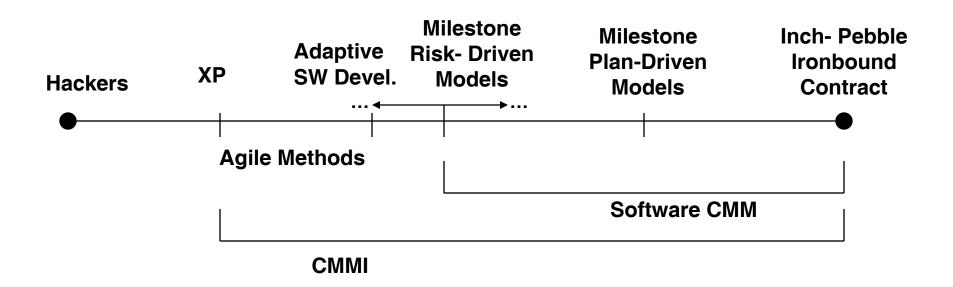
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The Planning Spectrum



Agile & Plan-Driven Home Grounds

Agile Home Ground

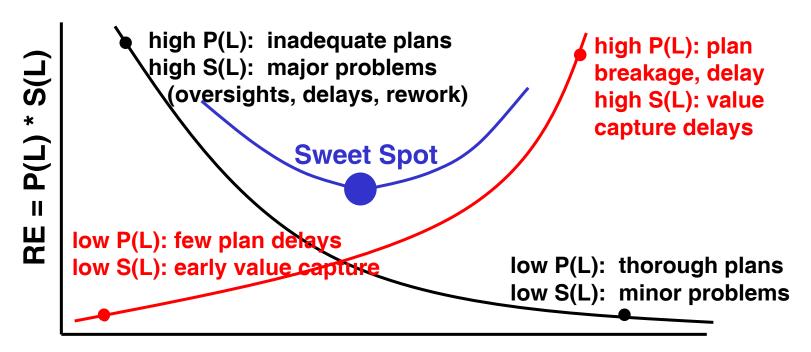
- Agile, knowledgeable, collocated, collaborative developers
- Above plus representative, empowered customers
- Reliance on tacit interpersonal knowledge
- Largely emergent requirements, rapid change
- Architected for current requirements
- Refactoring inexpensive
- Smaller teams, products
- Premium on rapid value

Plan-Driven Home Ground

- Plan-oriented developers; mix of skills
- Mix of customer capability levels
- Reliance on explicit documented knowledge
- Requirements knowable early; largely stable
- Architected for current and foreseeable requirements
- Refactoring expensive
- Larger teams, products
- Premium on high-assurance

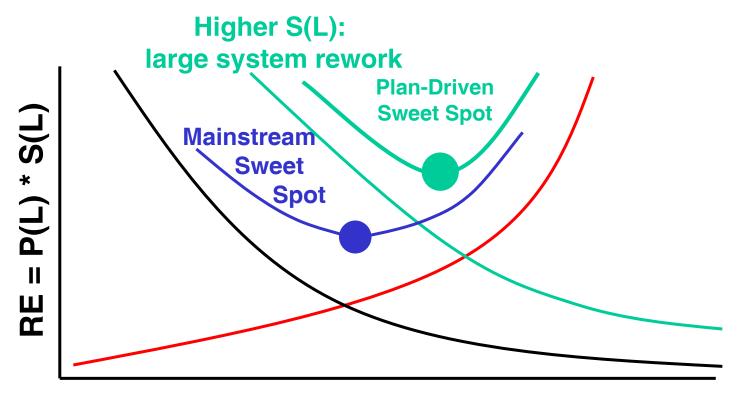
Example RE Profile: Time to Ship

- Sum of Risk Exposures



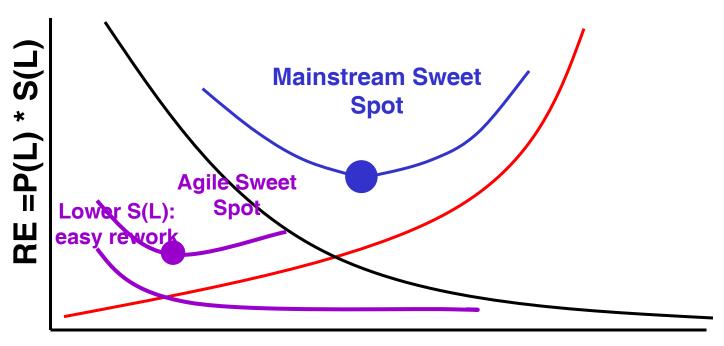
Time and Effort Invested in Plans

Comparative RE Profile: Plan-Driven Home Ground



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Comparative RE Profile: Agile Home Ground



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