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# LAB REPORT OF **Agile Software Development**

**LAB-4** 

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# **Lab 4: Agile Estimation Metrics**

### **Objective**

To understand and apply Agile estimation techniques and metrics such as story points, velocity, and planning poker. The goal is to evaluate how estimation improves predictability and planning in Agile projects.

#### **Tools Used**

- Trello / Jira / Excel for task tracking and sprint planning
- Planning Poker app / cards for collaborative estimation
- Whiteboard or Notepad for notetaking and backlog grooming
- Agile Board or Spreadsheet to calculate team velocity and track metrics

#### Methodology

- The lab was divided into the following activities:
- Step 1: Understanding Story Points
- Discussed story points as a unitless measure of effort and complexity.
- Compared with tasks by relative sizing (e.g., a task twice as hard as another = double the points).
- Step 2: Estimation with Planning Poker
- Formed teams of 4–6 members.
- Each team was given a product backlog with several user stories.
- Used Planning Poker to estimate each story collaboratively.
- Discussed differing estimates and reached consensus.
- Step 3: Calculating Team Velocity
- Used estimated story points from 2 hypothetical sprints:
- Sprint 1 completed: 20 story points
- Sprint 2 completed: 23 story points

• Calculated average team velocity:

Velocity = (20 + 23) / 2 = 21.5 story points per sprint

- Step 4: Forecasting Future Work
- Given a backlog of 64 points and a velocity of 21.5:
- Estimated time to complete: ~3 sprints

## **Implementation**

• User Story:

As a user, I want to reset my password so I can regain access to my account.

• Planning Poker Results:

User Story ID	Member 1	Member 2	Member 3	Final Estimation
US-01	5	8	5	5
US-02	3	3	5	3
US-03	8	13	8	8

Velocity Table:

Sprint	Story Points Completed
1	20
2	23
Any	21.5

#### **Results**

- Developed accurate relative estimates for user stories.
- Practiced team collaboration and consensus-building through Planning Poker.
- Calculated team velocity and learned how to use it to forecast sprint capacity.

• Realized the benefit of abstract estimation over time-based estimation for Agile flexibility.

#### Conclusion

Agile estimation metrics provide a lightweight yet effective way to plan and manage tasks in a sprint. Story points and velocity help teams forecast work realistically and accommodate change. The lab reinforced the value of team collaboration in estimation and highlighted how consistent tracking improves project predictability.