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Technical Debt is the cost of rework on the system caused by cutting corners and choosing an easy but limited solution.

During my last metrics posting, I was unable to set up SonarQube successfully on my machine and instead calculated the technical debt of our project by hand. Most of the technical debt last project arose from the RestApi.kt class which handled the majority of the api calls. In addition, our project lacked proper documentation which I estimated would take 15 hours to write.

Technical Debt for Metrics 1 calculated via Equations:

Equation:

RC = k(Cyclomatic Complexity) + p (Documentation)

Remediation Cost: **RC** [hours]
Development Cost: **DC** [hours]

Technical Debt = $(RC/DC) \times 100\%$

Calculations:

RC = 1.788

Remediation Cost: 8hrs (fix RestApi) + 15hrs Documentation

Development Cost: 363 Hours (Jira)

Technical Debt Ratio

Technical Debt = $(23 / 363) \times 100\% = 6.33\%$

For the current metrics posting, I was able to successfully calculate Technical Debt via SonarQube. SonarQube estimates our projects total debt to be 3 hours and 13 min to date. This is less than Metric 1's estimate of 8 hours to refactor the RestApi class. However, in order to accurately compare Metric 1 to Metric 2 we can use SonarQube to see the difference between old technical debt vs new technical debt.

Technical Debt from SonarQube:

Overall Technical Debt: 3 hours 13 min



New Technical Debt from the Last 30 Days: 2 hours 37 min



Given the new technical debt is from the last 30 days, we can assume that the original technical debt using SonarQube for Metric 1 would have been:

Metrics 1 Sonarqube Technical Debt = Overall Technical Debt - New Technical Debt Metrics 1 Sonarqube Technical Debt = 3 hours 13 min - 2 hours 37 min **Metrics 1 Sonarqube Technical Debt** = **36 min**

Metrics 2 Sonarqube Technical Debt = Overall Technical Debt

Metrics 2 Sonarqube Technical Debt = 3 hours 13 min

Given Metrics 1 from SonarQube would have been 36 minutes of technical debt and Metrics 2 from SonarQube is 3 hours 13 min of technical debt, our team clearly has taken on a substantial amount of technical debt. A cause for this extensive addition of debt may be due to the faster pace of which our team is developing code.

It is important to note that SonarQube provides a technical debt ratio for our project at less than 0.1%. Given that this ratio is less than 5%, technical debt is not a huge concern for our project at the current state.