

Measurement & Estimation

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Metrics and Measurements

Measure, Measurement, and Metrics

Things to Measure



Directly Measurable (Objective)

- Cost
- Effort
- Defect Rates
- Lines of Code (LOC)
- Pages of Doc.
- ...

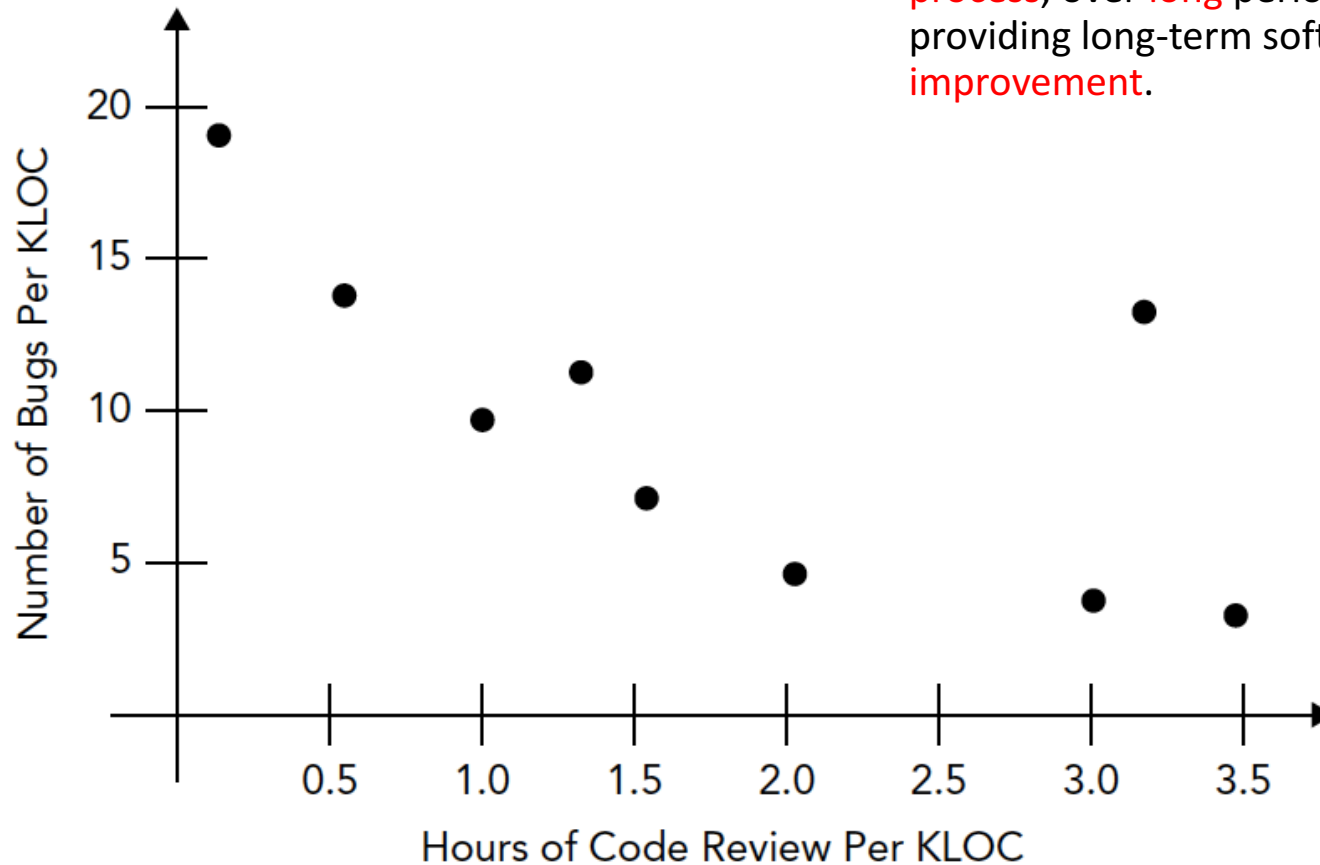
Hard to Measure (Subjective)

- Functionality
- Complexity
- Efficiency
- Maintainability
- Reliability
- Availability
- ...

Process M₁

RECALL

Measure organization's de
process, over **long** periods of
providing long-term software pro
improvement.



Product Metrics

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- **Predictor** metrics used to quantify **internal** attributes of a software system.

- Requirements
- Design and Architecture
- Source Code
- Tests
- ...

Product Metrics

RECALL

- Size-Oriented
- Function-Oriented
- OO Metrics
- Application-Specific
 - Web, Mobile, ...

Project	LOC	Effort	\$(000)	Pp. doc.	Errors	Defects	People
alpha	12,100	24	168	365	134	29	3
beta	27,200	62	440	1224	321	86	5
gamma	20,200	43	314	1050	256	64	6
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Information Domain Value

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External Interface Files (EIFs)	<input type="text"/>	5	7	10	=	<input type="text"/>
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Product Metrics

Static Software Product Metrics

- Fan-in/Fan-out
- Length of code
- Cyclomatic complexity
- Length of identifiers
- Depth of conditional nesting
- Fog index
 - average length of words and sentences in documents

CK Object-Oriented Metrics Suite

- Weighted methods per class (WMC)
- Depth of inheritance tree (DIT)
- Number of children (NOC)
- Coupling between object classes (CBO)
- Response for a class (RFC)
- Lack of cohesion in methods (LCOM)



The metrics that really *do* matter

(Agile) Process Metrics

- **Lead Time**

- how long it takes you to go from idea to delivered software.

- **Cycle Time**

- how long it takes you to make a change to your software system and deliver that change into production.

- **Team Velocity**

- how many “units” of software the team typically completes in an iteration (a.k.a. “sprint”).

- **Open/Close Rates**

- how many production issues are reported and closed within a specific time period.

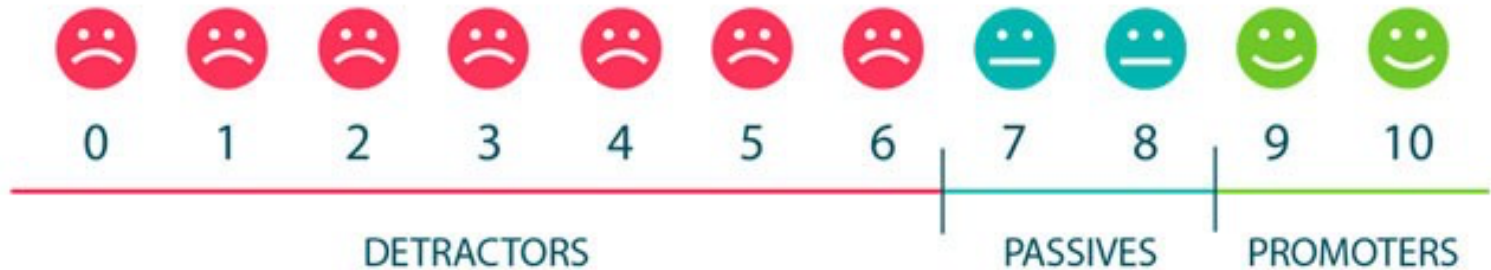
Production Metrics

- **Active days**
 - how much time a software developer contributes code to the software development project.
- **Assignment scope**
 - the amount of code that a programmer can maintain and support in a year.
- **Efficiency**
 - the amount of productive code contributed by a software developer.
- **Code churn**
 - the number of lines of code that were modified, added or deleted in a specified period of time.
- **Impact**
 - the effect of any code change on the software development project.

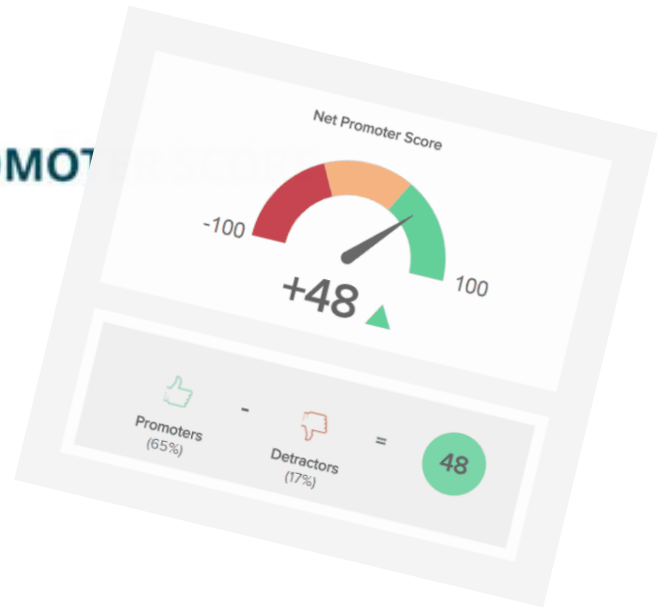
Operational Metrics

- How software is running **in production** and how effective **operations staff** are at maintaining it.
- **Mean time between failures (MTBF)**
- **Mean time to recover/repair (MTTR)**
- **Application crash rate**
 - how many times an application fails divided by how many times it was used.

Customer Satisfaction



$$\text{Green Smiley Face} \% - \text{Red Sad Face} \% = \text{NET PROMOTER SCORE}$$



- Net Promoter Score (NPS)
- Customer Satisfaction Score (CSAT)
- Customer Effort Score (CES)

Other Metrics

- Size-oriented metrics
 - Errors per KLOC
 - Defects per KLOC
 - Cost per KLOC
- Function-oriented metrics
 - Errors per FP or Defects per FP
- Test Metrics
- Security Metrics
- Defect Removal Efficiency (DRE)
- **Product KPIs**
 - Customer Lifetime Value (CLTV or LTV)
 - Customer Acquisition Cost (CAC)
 - Daily/Monthly Active User ratio
 - Session duration
 - Traffic (paid/organic)
 - Bounce rate
 - Retention rate
 - Churn rate
 - Number of sessions per user
 - Number of user actions per session

Appropriate use of software metrics

[four guidelines for an appropriate use of software metrics](#), by Patrick Kua.

- Link software metrics to goals
- Track trends, not numbers
- Set shorter measurement periods
- Stop using software metrics that do not lead to change

- How to measure productivity?
- How to measure effectiveness?
- Outcome vs. Output?

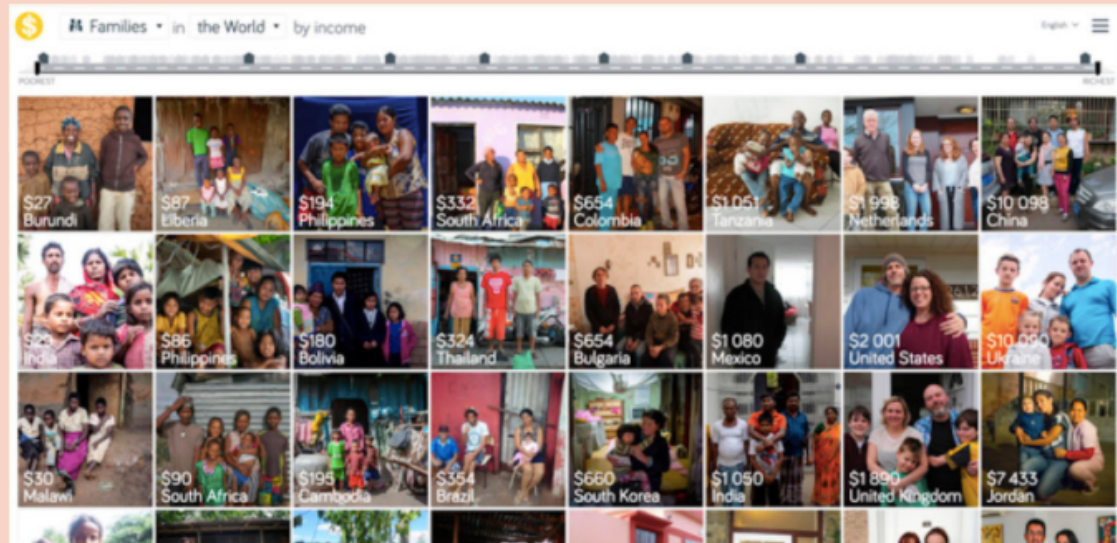
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Estimation

“... estimation is valuable when it helps you make a significant decision.”

Martin Fowler

Estimation Risk and Uncertainty

Estimation requires

- Experience
- Access to historical information (metrics)
- Quantitative predictions over qualitative information

- Project Complexity
- Project Size
- Degree of Structural Uncertainty
- Availability of Historical Info.
- ...

Estimation and modern software development approaches?

- Not become obsessive about estimation; it most probably goes wrong!
- Revisit the estimate, as more information is known

Software Project Estimation

... from a black art to a series of systematic steps ...

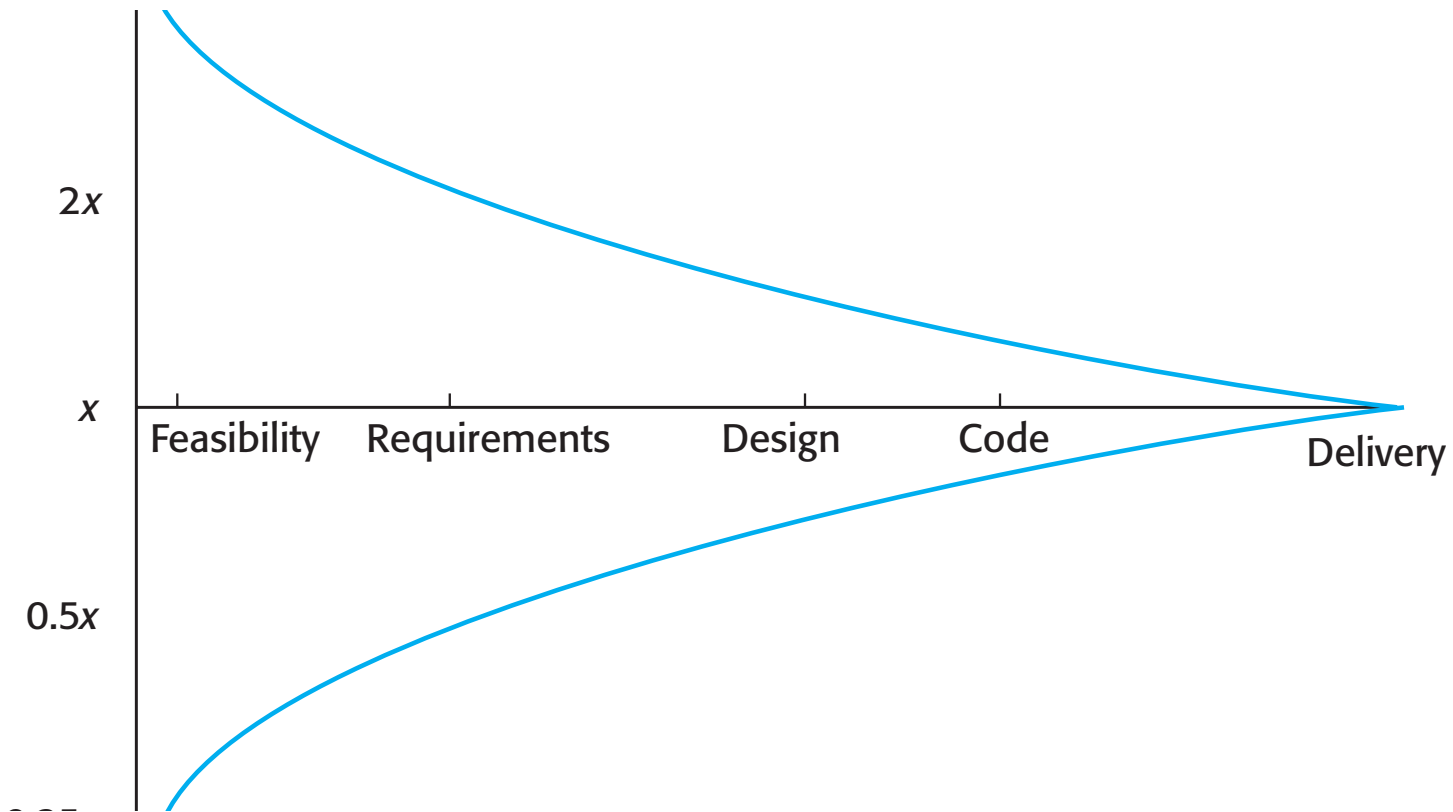
- Delay estimation(???!!!)
- Base estimates on similar projects
- Use decomposition techniques
 - e.g., software sizing, problem-based, process-based, use case-based ...
 - Productivity Metrics (?)

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Three-point or
Expected-value
Estimate

- Use empirical models

Estimate Uncertainty



Empirical Estimation Models

- An *estimation model* for computer software uses **empirically derived formulas** to predict effort as a function of LOC or FP.
- Matson, J., et al (1994) “Software Cost Estimation Using Function Points,” IEEE Trans. Software Engineering

$$E = A + B \times (e_v)^C$$

- COCOMO II Model

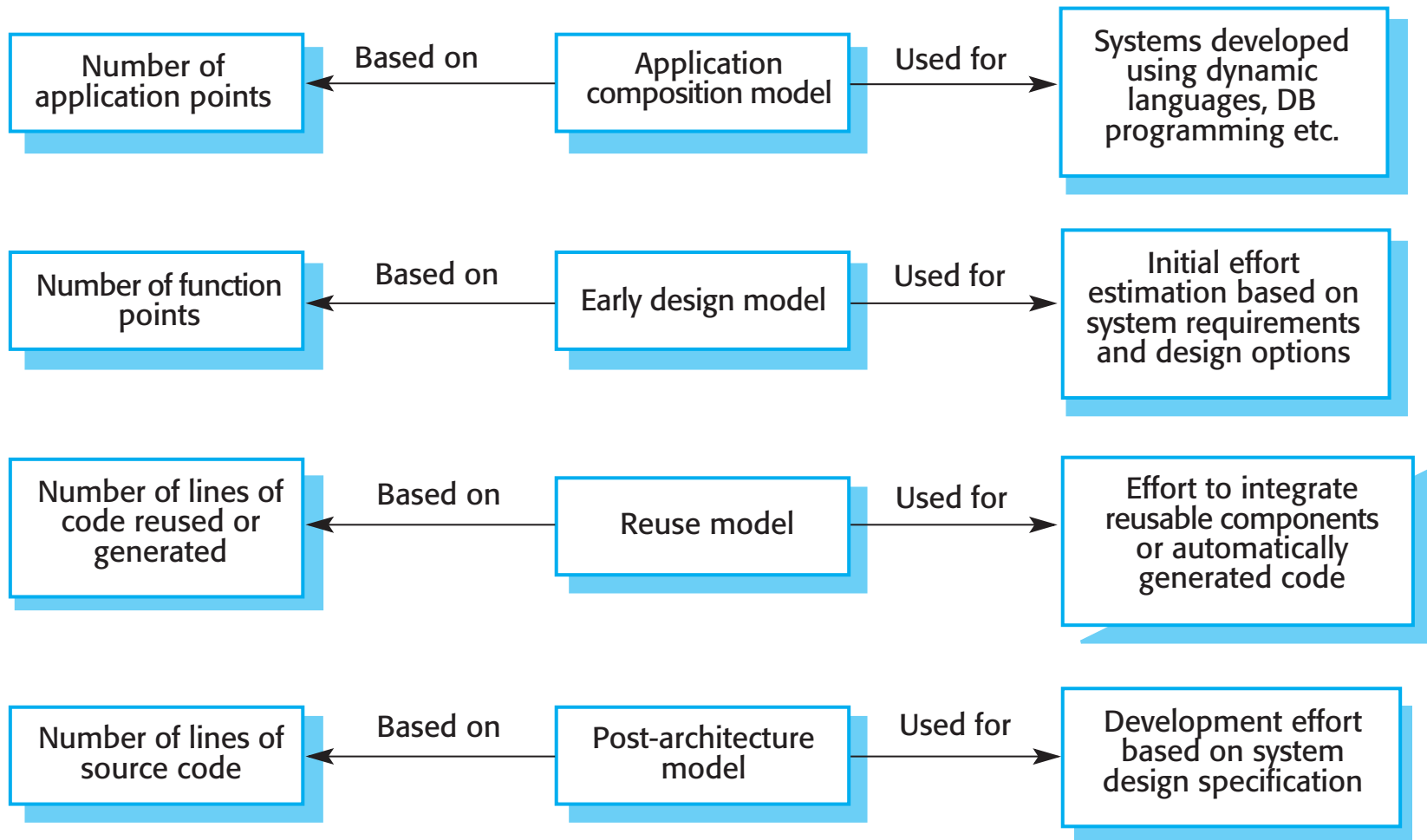
(Constructive Cost Model)

- Multi-level models: composition model, early design, reuse model, post-architecture
- Considers different software dev. approaches, e.g., reuse

Software Equation •

$$E = \frac{LOC \times B^{0.333}}{P^3} \times \frac{1}{t^4}$$

COCOMO Estimation Model



More?