

# The Management Challenge

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## Do We Need Management?

- Large teams need managers
  - a manager coordinates the energies of the team
- Managing a software project is difficult
- partly because software engineering is a young field
- Large software projects
  - are 1 year late (on average)
  - are 100% over budget (on average)

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# Success Rate of Software Projects

| Year | Successful (%) | Challenged (%) | Failed (%) |
|------|----------------|----------------|------------|
| 1994 | 16             | 53             | 31         |
| 1996 | 27             | 33             | 40         |
| 1998 | 26             | 46             | 28         |
| 2000 | 28             | 49             | 23         |
| 2004 | 29             | 53             | 18         |
| 2006 | 35             | 46             | 19         |
| 2009 | 32             | 44             | 24         |

### Project Success Rate As A Function of Budget

