# Optimization Model for SCRUM-Based Software Development Planning

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### 1 1. Sets (Entities)

 $\mathcal{P}$ : Set of Projects, where each  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  has attributes: id, name, project\_start, project\_end, description, budget, status, target\_audience, priority.

 $\mathcal{T}$ : Set of Teams, where each  $t \in \mathcal{T}$  has attributes: id, name, team\_size, team\_start, team\_status, location, team\_type.

W: Set of Workers, where each  $w \in W$  has attributes: id, name, first\_name, email, start\_date, status, availability.

 $\mathcal{F}$ : Set of Features, where each  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  has attributes: id, title, description, status, priority, estimated\_effort.

S: Set of Skills, where each  $s \in S$  has attributes: id, label, description, level, certified, category.

 $\mathcal{R}$ : Set of Roles, where each  $r \in \mathcal{R}$  has attributes: id, role\_name, description, area\_of\_responsibility.

 $\mathcal{PO}$ : Set of Product Owners, where each  $po \in \mathcal{PO}$  has attributes: id, name, email, availability.

 $\mathcal{SM}$ : Set of Scrum Masters, where each  $sm \in \mathcal{SM}$  has attributes: id, name, email, experience.

 $\mathcal{PB}$ : Set of Product Backlogs, where each  $pb \in \mathcal{PB}$  has attributes: id, created\_on, last\_updated, number\_of\_entries, status.

 $\mathcal{SP}$ : Set of Sprints, where each  $sp \in \mathcal{SP}$  has attributes: id, sprint\_number, start\_date, end\_date, status, achievement\_of\_goal.

 $\mathcal{SPP}$ : Set of Sprint Plannings, where each  $spp \in \mathcal{SPP}$  has attributes: id, date, duration\_(min), moderation, outcome\_documentation.

 $\mathcal{DS}$ : Set of Daily Scrums, where each  $ds \in \mathcal{DS}$  has attributes: id, date, time, duration, moderation.

SR: Set of Sprint Reviews, where each  $sr \in SR$  has attributes: id, date, duration, feedback\_documentation, attendees\_count.

 $\mathcal{SRE}$ : Set of Sprint Retrospectives, where each  $sre \in \mathcal{SRE}$  has attributes: id, date, duration, improvement\_actions, team\_satisfaction, moderation.

 $\mathcal{SBL}$ : Set of Sprint Backlogs, where each  $sbl \in \mathcal{SBL}$  has attributes: id, number\_of\_tasks, last\_updated, status, total\_effort.

 $\mathcal{SG}$ : Set of Sprint Goals, where each  $sg \in \mathcal{SG}$  has attributes: id, objective\_description, achievement\_status, benefit.

 $\mathcal{E}$ : Set of Epics, where each  $e \in \mathcal{E}$  has attributes: id, title, description, priority, status, estimated\_effort.

 $\mathcal{US}$ : Set of User Stories, where each  $us \in \mathcal{US}$  has attributes: id, title, description, acceptance\_criteria, priority, story\_points, status.

 $\mathcal{TSK}$ : Set of Tasks, where each  $tsk \in \mathcal{TSK}$  has attributes: id, title, description, status, effort, type.

 $\mathcal{DEV}$ : Set of Development Snapshots, where each  $dev \in \mathcal{DEV}$  has attributes: id, version\_number, creation\_date, test\_status, deployment\_target, documentation.

 $\mathcal{BL}$ : Set of Blockers, where each  $bl \in \mathcal{BL}$  has attributes: id, title, description, severity, status, detected\_on, resolved\_on.

 $\mathcal{SH}$ : Set of Stakeholders, where each  $sh \in \mathcal{SH}$  has attributes: id, name, organization, role, email, area\_of\_interest, influence\_level, relevance\_to\_feature.

VEL: Set of Velocity Records, where each  $vel \in VEL$  has attributes: id, number\_of\_sprints\_used, avg.\_story\_points, max\_velocity, min\_velocity, trend.

 $\mathcal{REP}$ : Set of Release Plans, where each  $rep \in \mathcal{REP}$  has attributes: id, version, planned\_date, included\_features, status.

 $\mathcal{RM}$ : Set of Roadmaps, where each  $rm \in \mathcal{RM}$  has attributes: id, start\_date, end\_date, milestones, objectives, versions.

 $\mathcal{SCB}$ : Set of Scrum Boards, where each  $scb \in \mathcal{SCB}$  has attributes: id, board\_type, columns\_(todo/done...), number\_of\_cards, last\_updated.

 $\mathcal{FED}$ : Set of Feature Documentations, where each  $fed \in \mathcal{FED}$  has attributes: id, title, description, creation\_date, change\_log, linked\_requirements, author.

#### 2 2. Indices

 $p \in \mathcal{P}$ : Index over projects.

 $t \in \mathcal{T}$ : Index over teams.

 $w \in \mathcal{W}$ : Index over workers.

 $f \in \mathcal{F}$ : Index over features.

 $s \in \mathcal{S}$ : Index over skills.

 $r \in \mathcal{R}$ : Index over roles.

 $sp \in \mathcal{SP}$ : Index over sprints.

 $us \in \mathcal{US}$ : Index over user stories.

 $tsk \in \mathcal{TSK}$ : Index over tasks.

 $bl \in \mathcal{BL}$ : Index over blockers.

 $sh \in \mathcal{SH}$ : Index over stakeholders.

 $vel \in \mathcal{VEL}$ : Index over velocity records.

 $rep \in \mathcal{REP}$ : Index over release plans.

 $rm \in \mathcal{RM}$ : Index over roadmaps.

#### 3 3. Goals

Each goal is defined with its identifier, name, and mathematical/logical formulation. Let  $w_q$  denote the weight of goal g.

maximize\_project\_budget: Maximize total project budget.

$$\max \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} w_{G0} \cdot \text{budget}(p)$$

maximize\_team\_size: Maximize total team size.

$$\max \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} w_{G1} \cdot \text{team\_size}(t)$$

maximize\_worker\_availability: Maximize sum of worker availability.

$$\max \sum_{w \in \mathcal{W}} w_{G2} \cdot \text{availability}(w)$$

minimize\_project\_duration: Minimize total project duration.

$$\min \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} w_{G3} \cdot (\operatorname{project\_end}(p) - \operatorname{project\_start}(p))$$

maximize\_feature\_priority: Maximize sum of feature priorities.

$$\max \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} w_{G4} \cdot \operatorname{priority}(f)$$

maximize\_story\_points: Maximize completed story points.

$$\max \sum_{us \in \mathcal{US}} w_{G5} \cdot \text{story-points}(us)$$

minimize\_task\_effort: Minimize total task effort.

$$\min \sum_{tsk \in \mathcal{TSK}} w_{G6} \cdot \text{effort}(tsk)$$

maximize\_sprint\_achievement: Maximize average sprint goal achievement.

$$\max \frac{1}{|\mathcal{SP}|} \sum_{sp \in \mathcal{SP}} w_{G7} \cdot \text{achievement\_of\_goal}(sp)$$

maximize\_velocity\_trend: Maximize positive trend in velocity.

$$\max \sum_{vel \in \mathcal{VEL}} w_{G8} \cdot \operatorname{trend}(vel)$$

minimize\_blocker\_severity: Minimize total blocker severity.

$$\min \sum_{bl \in \mathcal{BL}} w_{G9} \cdot \text{severity}(bl)$$

maximize\_stakeholder\_influence: Maximize influence of engaged stakeholders.

$$\max \sum_{sh \in SH} w_{G10} \cdot \text{influence\_level}(sh)$$

maximize\_documentation\_coverage: Maximize number of documented features.

$$\max \sum_{fed \in \mathcal{FED}} w_{G11} \cdot \mathbb{I}[\text{linked\_requirements}(fed) \neq \emptyset]$$

minimize\_sprint\_duration: Minimize total sprint duration.

$$\min \sum_{sp \in \mathcal{SP}} w_{G12} \cdot (\text{end\_date}(sp) - \text{start\_date}(sp))$$

maximize\_release\_inclusion: Maximize features included in releases.

$$\max \sum_{rep \in \mathcal{REP}} w_{G13} \cdot |\text{included\_features}(rep)|$$

maximize\_epic\_effort\_estimate: Maximize estimated effort of epics.

$$\max \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}} w_{G14} \cdot \text{estimated\_effort}(e)$$

#### 4 4. Conditions

Each condition is a constraint with logical formulation. Let c denote the condition ID. require\_project\_status: Only active or completed projects are valid.

$$\forall p \in \mathcal{P} : \text{status}(p) \in \{\text{active}, \text{completed}\}\$$

require\_team\_location: Teams must be in allowed locations.

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} : \text{location}(t) \in L_{\text{allowed}}$$

where  $L_{\text{allowed}}$  is a predefined set of acceptable locations.

require\_worker\_status: Only active workers are eligible.

$$\forall w \in \mathcal{W} : \text{status}(w) = \text{active}$$

require\_feature\_status: Only approved features can be scheduled.

$$\forall f \in \mathcal{F} : \text{status}(f) = \text{approved}$$

require\_task\_status: Only todo or in-progress tasks are considered.

$$\forall tsk \in \mathcal{TSK} : \text{status}(tsk) \in \{\text{todo}, \text{in\_progress}\}$$

require\_role\_certification: Only certified roles are assigned.

$$\forall r \in \mathcal{R} : \operatorname{description}(r) \text{ must imply certification}$$

require\_user\_story\_status: Only ready or accepted user stories are valid.

$$\forall us \in \mathcal{US} : \text{status}(us) \in \{\text{ready, accepted}\}\$$

require\_sprint\_status: Only planned or active sprints are valid.

$$\forall sp \in \mathcal{SP} : \text{status}(sp) \in \{\text{planned, active}\}$$

require\_blocker\_status: Active blockers must be resolved before sprint end.

$$\forall bl \in \mathcal{BL} : \text{status}(bl) = \text{resolved} \vee \text{resolved\_on}(bl) < \text{end\_date}(\text{sprint}(bl))$$

require\_velocity\_min\_value: Minimum velocity threshold.

$$\forall vel \in \mathcal{VEL} : \min_{velocity(vel)} \geq V_{\min}$$

where  $V_{\min}$  is a given threshold.

require\_stakeholder\_relevance: Stakeholders must have medium or high relevance.

$$\forall sh \in \mathcal{SH} : \text{relevance\_to\_feature}(sh) \in \{\text{medium}, \text{high}\}\$$

require\_skill\_certified: Only certified skills are used.

$$\forall s \in \mathcal{S} : \operatorname{certified}(s) = \operatorname{true}$$

require\_documentation\_author: Documentation must have an author.

$$\forall fed \in \mathcal{FED} : \operatorname{author}(fed) \neq \operatorname{null}$$

require\_scumb\_board\_type: Only digital scrum boards allowed.

$$\forall scb \in \mathcal{SCB} : board\_type(scb) = digital$$

require\_development\_test\_status: Only tested snapshots are deployable.

$$\forall dev \in \mathcal{DEV} : \text{test\_status}(dev) = \text{tested}$$

#### 5 5. Decision Variables

 $\omega_p \in \{0.0, 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0\}$ : Project priority weight for  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ .

 $u_t \in [0.0, 1.0]$ : Team t's capacity utilization rate.

 $x_{w,tsk} \in \{0,1\}$ : Binary variable indicating if worker w is assigned to task tsk.

 $y_{us} \in \{0,1\}$ : Binary variable indicating if user story us is included in current sprint.

 $z_f \in \{0,1\}$ : Binary variable indicating if feature f is included in next release.

 $a_w \in [0, 40]$ : Weekly availability (hours) of worker w.

 $sp_{us} \in \{1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13\}$ : Estimated story points for user story us.

 $e_{tsk} \in [1, 100]$ : Effort (hours) allocated to task tsk.

 $d_{bl} \in [1,30]$ : Estimated resolution time (days) for blocker bl.

 $c_{fed} \in [0.0, 1.0]$ : Completeness score of feature documentation fed.

 $g_{sp} \in [0.0, 1.0]$ : Achievement score of sprint sp's goal.

 $v_{\text{next}} \in [0, 100.0]$ : Predicted velocity for next sprint.

 $\delta_r \in [-30, 30]$ : Deviation in days from planned release date r.

 $i_{sre} \in [0, 20]$  Number of improvement actions from retrospective sre.

 $col_{tsk} \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ : Column index of task tsk on scrum board.