Multi-Objective Planning Model for a Scrum-based Software Organization

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1 1. Sets (Entities)

- P set of **Projects** (Entity: Project).
- T set of **Teams** (Entity: Team).
- W set of **Workers** (Entity: Worker).
- F set of **Features** (Entity: Feature).
- SK set of **Skills** (Entity: Skill).
- R set of **Roles** (Entity: Role).
- PO set of **Product Owners** (Entity: ProductOwner).
- SM set of **Scrum Masters** (Entity: ScrumMaster).
- PB set of **Product Backlogs** (Entity: ProductBacklog).
- S set of **Sprints** (Entity: Sprint).
- SPP set of **Sprint Plannings** (Entity: SprintPlanning).
- DS set of **Daily Scrums** (Entity: DailyScrum).
- SR set of **Sprint Reviews** (Entity: SprintReview).
- SRE set of **Sprint Retrospectives** (Entity: SprintRetrospective).
- SBL set of **Sprint Backlogs** (Entity: SprintBacklog).
- SG set of **Sprint Goals** (Entity: SprintGoal).
- $E \text{set of } \mathbf{Epics}$ (Entity: Epic).
- *US* set of **User Stories** (Entity: UserStory).
- K set of **Tasks** (Entity: Task).
- *DEV* set of **Development Snapshots** (Entity: DevelopmentSnapshot).
- BL set of **Blockers** (Entity: Blocker).
- SH set of **Stakeholders** (Entity: Stakeholder).
- *VEL* set of **Velocity records** (Entity: Velocity).
- REP set of Release Plans (Entity: ReleasePlan).
- RM set of **Roadmaps** (Entity: Roadmap).
- SCB set of Scrum Boards (Entity: ScrumBoard).
- FED set of **Feature Documentations** (Entity: FeatureDocumentation).

Relation-incidence sets (from Relationships.csv):

- $R1 \subseteq T \times P$ (is_assigned_to_project).
- $R2 \subseteq W \times T$ (belongs_to_team). Note: "Employee" interpreted as Worker.

- $R3 \subseteq W \times SK$ (has_skill).
- $R4 \subseteq W \times R$ (takes_on_role).
- $R5 \subseteq PO \times PB$ (manages_backlog).
- $R6 \subseteq T \times SM$ (is_supported_by).
- $R7 \subseteq PB \times F$ (contains_feature).
- $R8 \subseteq PB \times E$ (contains_epic).
- $R9 \subseteq E \times US$ (contains_user_story).
- $R10 \subseteq US \times K$ (consists_of_tasks).
- $R11 \subseteq US \times SBL$ (is_in_sprint_backlog).
- $R12 \subseteq SBL \times S$ (belongs_to_sprint).
- $R13 \subseteq S \times SG$ (pursues goal).
- $R14 \subseteq SCB \times K$ (contains_tasks).
- $R15 \subseteq FED \times F$ (documents feature).
- $R16 \subseteq K \times BL$ (is_blocked_by).
- $R17 \subseteq SH \times SR$ (participates_in). Note: "Sprint Review" \rightarrow SprintReview.
- $R18 \subseteq SM \times SRE$ (moderates_retrospective).
- $R19 \subseteq VEL \times T$ (refers_to_team).
- $R20 \subseteq REP \times F$ (plans_release).
- $R21 \subseteq REP \times RM$ (is_part_of_roadmap).
- $R22 \subseteq S \times DEV$ (generates_snapshot).

2 2. Indices

- $p \in P$, $t \in T$, $w \in W$, $f \in F$, $sk \in SK$, $r \in R$, $po \in PO$, $sm \in SM$, $pb \in PB$,
- $s \in \mathcal{S}$, $spp \in SPP$, $ds \in DS$, $sr \in SR$, $sre \in SRE$, $sbl \in SBL$, $sg \in SG$,
- $e \in E$, $u \in US$, $k \in K$, $dev \in DEV$, $bl \in BL$, $sh \in SH$, $v \in VEL$, $rep \in REP$, $rm \in RM$, $scb \in SCB$, $fed \in FED$.

Attributes as parameters (examples aligned to Entities.csv):

- Project: budget_p, priority_p (if used), etc.
- • Feature: priority $_f,$ \widehat{effort}_f (estimated_effort).
- UserStory: sp_u (story_points), priority_u.
- Task: eff_k .
- Blocker: sev_{bl} .

- SprintBacklog: totEff_{sbl}, numTasks_{sbl}.
- SprintGoal: benefit $_{sq}$.
- SprintReview: attend $_{sr}$.
- Velocity: for each t, define $avgSP_t$, $maxVel_t$, $minVel_t$ via R19 mapping from VEL to T.
- Product Backlog: incidence in PB $_{pb,f}$ and in PB $_{pb,e}^E$ from R7,R8.
- Epic & UserStory: incidence in $Epic_{e,u}$ from R9.
- UserStory & Task: incidence in $US_{u,k}$ from R10.
- Task & Blocker: incidence blocked_{k,bl} from R16.
- SprintBacklog \rightarrow Sprint: unique mapping s = sOfSBL(sbl) from R12.
- Sprint \rightarrow SprintGoal: unique mapping sg = sgOfS(s) from R13.

Decision variables (DecisionVariables.csv):

- $x_f^F \in \{0,1\}$ (DV0) select feature f for next release.
- $x_{u,s}^{US} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV1) assign user story u to sprint s.
- $x_{k,t}^K \in \{0,1\}$ (DV2) assign task k to team t.
- $x_{w,t}^{WT} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV3) assign worker w to team t.
- $x_{w,r}^{WR} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV4) worker w takes role r.
- $x_{k,bl}^{RES} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV5) resolve blocker bl for task k.
- $B_p \ge 0$ (DV6) allocated budget to project p.
- $x_s^{SG} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV7) plan to achieve sprint s's goal.
- $x_{t,p}^{TP} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV8) assign team t to project p.
- $x_s^{SA} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV9) sprint s active.
- $x_{fed}^{FED} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV10) use/link feature documentation fed.
- $x_{sm,t}^{SM} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV11) Scrum Master sm supports team t.
- $x_{po,pb}^{PO} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV12) Product Owner po manages backlog pb.
- $x_{t,s}^{TS} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV13) team t works on sprint s.
- $x_{sr}^{SR} \in \{0,1\}$ (DV14) sprint review sr scheduled.

3 3. Goals

All goals are handled in a weighted multi-objective sense; each can be optimized separately or combined (e.g., via scalarization). For each goal we show (ID) Name and its mathematical form.

• (G0) maximize_feature_priority:
$$\max \sum_{f \in F} \operatorname{priority}_f x_f^F$$
.

• (G1) minimize_feature_estimated_effort:
$$\min \sum_{f \in F} \widehat{effort}_f x_f^F$$
.

• (G2) maximize_user_story_points:
$$\max \sum_{u \in US} \sum_{s \in S} \operatorname{sp}_u x_{u,s}^{US}$$
.

• (G3) minimize_task_effort:
$$\min \sum_{k \in K} \sum_{t \in T} \operatorname{eff}_k x_{k,t}^K$$
.

• (G4) minimize_blocker_severity_unresolved:
$$\min \sum_{k \in K} \sum_{bl \in BL} \mathbf{1}[\text{blocked}_{k,bl} = 1] \text{ sev}_{bl} (1 - x_{k,bl}^{RES}).$$

• (G5) minimize_project_budget_allocation:
$$\min \sum_{p \in P} B_p$$
 with $0 \le B_p \le \text{budget}_p$.

• (G6) maximize_team_velocity:
$$\max \sum_{t \in T} \sum_{s \in S} \operatorname{avgSP}_t x_{t,s}^{TS}$$
.

• (G7) maximize_sprint_goal_benefit:
$$\max \sum_{s \in S} \text{benefit}_{\text{sgOfS}(s)} x_s^{SG}$$
.

• (G8) minimize_sprint_total_effort:
$$\min \sum_{sbl \in SBL} \text{totEff}_{sbl} \, x_{\text{sOfSBL}(sbl)}^{SA}$$
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• (G9) maximize_stakeholder_attendance:
$$\max \sum_{sr \in SR} \operatorname{attend}_{sr} x_{sr}^{SR}$$
.

• (G10) minimize_number_of_tasks:
$$\min \sum_{sbl \in SBL} \text{numTasks}_{sbl} x_{sOfSBL(sbl)}^{SA}$$
.

• (G11) maximize_documented_features:
$$\max \sum_{fed \in FED} \text{linkedReq}_{fed} x_{fed}^{FED}$$
.

4 4. Conditions

Below, we formalize each condition (constraint). IDs match Conditions.csv.

• (C0) assign_user_story_to_one_sprint:
$$\sum_{s \in S} x_{u,s}^{US} \le 1 \quad \forall u \in US.$$

• (C1) limit_sprint_capacity_by_velocity:
$$\sum_{u \in US} \operatorname{sp}_u x_{u,s}^{US} \leq \sum_{t \in T} \max \operatorname{Vel}_t x_{t,s}^{TS} \quad \forall s \in \mathcal{S}.$$

• (C2) team_to_one_project:
$$\sum_{p \in P} x_{t,p}^{TP} = 1 \quad \forall t \in T.$$

• (C3) worker_to_at_most_one_team:
$$\sum_{t \in T} x_{w,t}^{WT} \leq 1 \quad \forall w \in W.$$

- (C4) each_team_has_one_scrum_master: $\sum_{sm \in SM} x_{sm,t}^{SM} = 1 \quad \forall t \in T.$
- (C5) po_manages_one_backlog: $\sum_{pb \in PB} x_{po,pb}^{PO} = 1 \quad \forall po \in PO.$
- (C6) feature_in_backlog_if_in_release: $x_f^F \leq \sum_{pb \in PB} \text{inPB}_{pb,f} \quad \forall f \in F.$
- (C7) epic_in_backlog_for_user_story: $\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} x_{u,s}^{US} \leq \sum_{e \in E} \mathrm{inEpic}_{e,u} \cdot \sum_{pb \in PB} \mathrm{inPB}_{pb,e}^{E} \quad \forall u \in US.$
- (C8) task_only_if_user_story_in_sprint: For $U(k) = \{u \in US : \text{inUS}_{u,k} = 1\},\$ $\sum_{t \in T} x_{k,t}^K \leq \sum_{u \in U(k)} \sum_{s \in S} x_{u,s}^{US} \quad \forall k \in K.$
- (C9) resolve_blocker_if_task_selected: $\sum_{bl \in BL} \mathbf{1}[\text{blocked}_{k,bl} = 1] \, x_{k,bl}^{RES} \geq \sum_{t \in T} x_{k,t}^{K} \quad \forall k \in K.$
- (C10) budget_allocation_within_limit: $0 \le B_p \le \text{budget}_p \quad \forall p \in P.$
- (C11) activate_sprint_if_has_user_stories: Let M = |US|. $\frac{1}{M} \sum_{u \in US} x_{u,s}^{US} \le x_s^{SA} \le \sum_{u \in US} x_{u,s}^{US} \quad \forall s \in \mathcal{S}$.

5 5. DecisionVariables

- $\bullet \ \ (\mathrm{DV0}) \ x_f^F \in \{0,1\}, \ (\mathrm{DV1}) \ x_{u,s}^{US} \in \{0,1\}, \ (\mathrm{DV2}) \ x_{k,t}^K \in \{0,1\}, \ (\mathrm{DV3}) \ x_{w,t}^{WT} \in \{0,1\},$
- (DV4) $x_{w,r}^{WR} \in \{0,1\}$, (DV5) $x_{k,bl}^{RES} \in \{0,1\}$, (DV6) $B_p \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$,
- (DV7) $x_s^{SG} \in \{0,1\}$, (DV8) $x_{t,p}^{TP} \in \{0,1\}$, (DV9) $x_s^{SA} \in \{0,1\}$,
- $\bullet \ \ (\mathrm{DV10}) \ x_{fed}^{FED} \in \{0,1\}, \ (\mathrm{DV11}) \ x_{sm,t}^{SM} \in \{0,1\}, \ (\mathrm{DV12}) \ x_{po,pb}^{PO} \in \{0,1\},$
- (DV13) $x_{t,s}^{TS} \in \{0,1\}$, (DV14) $x_{sr}^{SR} \in \{0,1\}$.