Development and Deployment at Facebook

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The main idea of this reading assignment was to throw light on how the software development is done and practiced in the company Facebook Inc. Here, the practices of Software Engineering are much different with respect to the standard methodologies, this is because of a number of reasons such as, no goal oriented development, high rate of development, self selection of Engineers, no QA team etc.

The material described in class has covered aspects of Waterfall model, Agile development and other types of development which are used when there is a specific goal to be achieved by the software company. In contrast, this case study reflects that the development of software cannot be taken as same for every case of development. Every software is different and there has to be a willingness to adapt new strategies for optimal performance and to achieve the goal.

From my perspective, the author of the article has produced proper results and has derived them through legitimate facts and figures, I agree with his viewpoint, and I feel that it is important to have an adaptive state of mind to be successful in the field of Software Engineering. If only the traditional method is followed, it might not lead to the best performance of the software. According to me, this is one of the most important things to be learned in the field of Software Engineering.