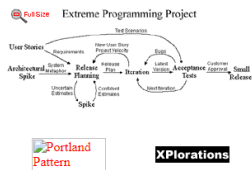




Create a Spike Solution

Create spike solutions to figure out answers to tough technical or design problems. A spike solution is a very simple program to explore potential solutions. Build the spike to only address the problem under examination and ignore all other concerns. Most spikes are not good enough to keep, so expect to throw it away. The goal is reducing the risk of a technical problem or increase the reliability of a user story's estimate.

When a technical difficulty threatens to hold up the system's development put a pair of developers on the problem for a week or two and reduce the potential risk.



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