

# Final Project of SSW-533A

# **TEAM PROJECT REPORT**

The Practice of Cost Estimation and Metrics in Software Engineering

Based on Specified Topic

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# Abstract

### 1.01 Summary

Frankly speaking, at the moment of just getting the requirement of contriving this final project and after the formally having formed our team, we totally have no idea to conduct a qualified technical team project report. We once briefly held a short meeting after the class in the library, yet still, we cannot find a proper technical topic to match the following works in sizing and estimating for a software development life cycle activity in simulation mode.

Many once raised the thought of software system topics or categories in the selection for resulting in a technical report are inappropriate and overthinking, which seems applicably unrealistic or scientifically complicated. However, with the deeper thinking progress between the teammates' brainstorming, a good idea emerged. We asked ourselves, why can't we combine the real happenings that occur in the real world to apply to this assignment for the final project?

Therefore, we found a quite suitable application and technology topic for the software types of selection for the works of effort estimation and development measurement. According to the current situation of insane lockdown in Shanghai City China where the people are suffering from the unwise and stubborn COVID policy, we saw the people have to do self-rescue in the supplement of foods, medicines, and groceries via the approach of group-purchasing. This miserable story did inspire us to like to develop a software that can champion the livelihood emergencies of the people who are getting affliction in Shanghai City.

So, we elicited the core requirements and conducted a series of feasible processes of achieving matched metrics, measurements, and predictions for software development. Those works consist of stakeholders identification, software feature and component specification, function points conduction, use case points generation, LOC of the whole project estimated calculation, and defect density prediction. Now, we begin to provide these elucidations in the following chapters, but, before that, let's first check the table of the contents of this writing.

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# Introduction of Background, Stakeholders, and Software Look and Feel

# 2.01 Background Story

Whatever and however the channels of the Chinese government's official press explained, or some international media described, in reality, the people in Shanghai City are indeed suffering the dilemma



of the highly pressured lockdown from the so-called "Dynamic Zeroing" policy of fighting the COVID-19 virus pandemic. Because of the extremely restricted stipulation of locking down by the government, the people are forced to be required staying their homes without any possibility of walking out, besides a very few amount of the people who are living in some luxury neighborhoods with especially advanced living supplements, most people have to be nowadays struggling for their living conditions every day. Even though realistically, the living stuff on the market and society, in general, shall be ample, the reality sadly shows that the shortage of the supplement still exists, rendering the annoying, complaints, and desperate from the people.

The people have to count on some technical approaches to keep their living conditions under control by purchasing the goods of food, medicine, and grocery online. Nevertheless, the traditional buying way in the mode of point-to-point, which means each family just purchases the living necessities respectively without any relationships between the near-door neighbors, in the same building or neighborhoods community block, has the limitation of the burdening capacity of the unified orders management, rational logistics, and goods dispatching under the control by the local pandemic-handling personnel. The living routine of the people in communities in Shanghai City is no longer like the formerly normal days, has been totally changed, every family cannot freely take their bought living stuff from the door of the apartment via the delivery from the online stores' logistic service guys.

The people started to unitedly purchase their living goods and materials in the group mode based on their geographically living scales such as a townhouse, an apartment building, and a community area or street block. Nonetheless, the relevant internet applications for group purchasing are very lacking proper functionalities design and inadequate comprehensive management dealt with by the local neighborhood and its pandemic officials. Thus, we like to develop a good enough software that can well solve the problems of purchasing the living goods in group mode and help the Shanghai people presently living in such pitiable circumstances by fighting against the pandemic.

### 2.02 Software Feature and Functionality

Based upon the above rough understanding of the background story, the features and functionalities of this software system now could be derived from the requirements' specification via the identification of the stakeholders. They embody a set of the following roles with their respective business requirements in the software system:

	Table of Stakeholders and Related Requirements
Roles	Requirements



End-Users					
Each Family	Needs to buy their living goods such as daily foods, medicines, and groceries.				
Managing Users					
Apartment Principal	Needs to manage every family's order and coordinate the goods dispatch and				
allocation for the residents of the current apartment building.					
Community Block	Needs to manage each apartment building's goods allocation and delivery,				
Principal	reviewing the transaction or payment status and their details for the whole				
community block.					
Community Official	Needs to manage all community blocks in the living supplement, payment and				
(The Director of Local	transaction details, logistic processing, poor families' special supplements, etc.				
Resident Committee)	Needs to report the daily logs to the higher management.				
District Official	Needs to review the present district routines, lead the policy implementation,				
	and report to the higher management.				
Supplying Users					
Living Goods Supplier	Needs to list the daily supplement details and provide these to the business				
assigned community block principals, organizing the service of logistics.					
	System Owners				
Development Teams	Need to develop, test, release, deploy, fix, and update the software system.				
System Admins	Need to maintain the software system.				

Possibly Non-Functional Features of the Software System					
Features	Involved Roles				
Viewing Goods	End-Users, Managing Users				
Listing Goods	Managing Users				
Searching Goods	End-Users, Managing Users				
Editing Goods	Managing Users, Supplying Users				
Ordering Goods	End-Users				
Paying Orders	End-Users				
Listing Orders	Managing Users				



Searching Orders	Managing Users
Editing Orders	End-Users, Managing Users
Editing Own Family Info	End-Users
Listing Families	Managing Users
Editing Families Info	End-Users
Listing the Current	Managing Users – Apartment Principals
Apartment Transactions	
Managing Bought Goods	Managing Users – Apartment Principals
Allocation	
Listing the Current	Managing Users – Community Block Principals
Community Block's All	
Apartments Details in	
Goods, Orders,	
Payment, Dispatch,	
Delivery, Anti-COVID	
Treatment for the	
Bought Goods	
Listing the All-Managed	Managing Users – Community Officials
Community Blocks'	
Information in Living	
Goods Supplement	
Listing the Current City-	Managing Users – District Officials
District's Community	
Blocks' Information in	
Living Goods	
Supplement	
Listing the Living Goods	Supplying Users – Living Goods Suppliers (Business Entities of Online Stores)
Supplement Targeted	
Community Blocks'	



Information in	
Transactions, Logistics	

Generally speaking, on the client-side, this software system shall be acting like a web-based and WeChat embedded application running on the lockdown people's smart devices such as iPhones or Pads, Android Phones or Pads, Laptops or Desktops. On the server side, this application should be running on the cloud service and holds its independent database that also can be linked to some government management platforms to provide the statistics ability for helping the relevant authorities to better the residency service on the scales of the districts or entire Shanghai City.

# **Proposed Metrics**

### 3.01 Reasoning and Mattering of Applicable Metrics

According to the discussed conclusions from two times our meetings as a team and the experiences of our past assignments homework, we determined to use the metrics of the Function Points method and the Use Case Points method. We have the consent that we all believe these two metrics in sizing the final effort and duration of the development are quite reasonable, reliable, and pretty useful and practical. So, for concreting the persuasiveness of the project based on this software system development that probably would be implemented shortly, we like to apply these two methods to estimate thence develop this software system and now let's see how the eventual outcomes in software sizing measurement could be at the bellowing.

#### 3.02 Metric of Function Points Measurement

		Count the Value of Function Points
Identify Basi	c Function Points	
#		Description
	Internal and External Inputs	
01	Families' Citizens and Residence Information (S)	
02	Families' Selected Goods Cart Information (A)	
03	Families' Order Payment Transaction Information (S)	
04	Families' Orders Information of Bought Living Goods (C)	



05	Apartments' Citizens and Residence Information (S)
06	Community Blocks' Citizens and Residence Information (S)
07	Apartments, Community Blocks Citizens and Residence Information (S)
08	Communities, Districts Officials Citizens and Residence Information (S)
09	Government Arranged Anti-Covid Personnel's Citizens and Residence Information (S)
10	Living Goods Supplement Providers' Business and Logistics Information (S)
11	Living Goods Supplement Providers' Foods, Medicines, Groceries Offering Information (C)
12	API from WeChat and Alipay Platforms (A)
13	API from Banking Payment Systems (A)
14	Software System's Own Admins Inputs (C)
	External Outputs
01	Data through API to the city government-owned statistics platform in all residents living
	conditions goods and materials management under the current situation of anti-pandemic for
	sending the statistical data generated by this software. (A)
02	Data through API to the city government-owned statistics platform in all residents living
	conditions goods and materials financial aid under the current situation of anti-pandemic for
	sending the statistical data generated by this software. (A)
03	Data through API to WeChat which most residents are using. (A)
04	Data through API to Alipay which most residents are using. (A)
05	Data through API to the respective banking payment systems for a web-based version of the
	software. (C)
06	Data through API to the respectively each living goods supplement business providers for
	collaborating the orders and logistic information. (S)
	Logical Internal files
01	End-User (Each Family User) Interfaces (A)
02	Apartment Building Principal Interfaces (A)
03	Community Block Principal Interfaces (C)
04	Community Official (The Director of Local Resident Committee) Interfaces (C)
05	District Official Interfaces (A)
06	Statistical Data Items Listing and Visualization Interface for Shanghai City-Level Authorities'
	Officials Review (C)
07	General Database (C)
08	Backup Databases (S)
	External Interface files
01	API of Banking Payment Systems (No Need to Implement)
02	API of WeChat and Alipay Platform (No Need to Implement)
03	API of Government Review of Statistics (Highly Possibly Need to Implement) (S)
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02	Distributed Data/Processing					5	5
03	Performance Objectives				4		4
04	Heavily Used Configuration					5	5
05	Transaction Rate					5	5
06	On-Line Data Entry					5	5
07	End-User Efficiency				4		4
08	On-Line Update				4		4
09	Complex Processing			3			3
10	Reusability		2				2
11	Conversion/Installation Ease				4		4
12	Operational Ease			3			3
13	Multiple Site Use			3			3
14	Facilitate Change				4		4
						VAF	55

AFPs = UFPs \* (0.65 + 0.01 \* VAF) = 167 \* (0.65 + 0.01 \* 55) = 200.40 Function Points

Now, we just temporarily put the counted value of Function Points aside for the next step of estimating the Effort of the Staff Months and the LOC of the whole software system's implementation works.

# 3.03 Metric of Use Case Points Measurement

	Calculation of UUCP						
Calculate U	AWs						
Actor:		Complexity:		Weight:			
	Humans = 3	Protocols = 2	Defined API = 1				
01	End-Users			3			
02	Managing Users			3			
03	Supplying Users			3			
04	System Owners			3			
05		TCP/IP for WeChat		2			
06		TCP/IP for Alipay		2			
07		HTTP for Web App		2			
08		Stored Procedures for		2			
		the System's Database					
09		Government Data VPN		2			
10			API to Government's	1			
			Residents' Living				



			Conditions Supplement	
			Management Platform	
11			API to Government's	1
			Residents' Financial Aid	
			Management Platform	
12			API to WeChat Platform	1
13			API to Alipay Platform	1
14			API to Payment Banking	1
			Systems	
15			API to Living Goods	1
			Supplement Business	
			Enterprises	
16			API to Government's	1
			Residents Situation	
			Statistical Systems	
			Management Review	
17			API to Government's	1
			Directly Manageable	
			Logistics Authorities	
Total:(Sum)				30
		UAWs = <b>30</b>		
Calculate UU	CW			
Use Case:		Complexity:		Weight:
	<4 Transactions = 5	4-7 Transactions = 10	>7 Transactions = 15	
		Family		
01	<u>View</u>			5
01	1 Transaction			<u> </u>
02	<u>Add</u>			5
02	4 Transaction			
03	<u>Delete</u>			5
03	3 Transaction			3
04	<u>Seek</u>			5
04	2 Transaction			
05	Modify			5
	4 Transaction			
			Sub	25
		Apartment Building		
06	<u>View</u>			5



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		<u>Configure</u>			10
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		System			
	View Log				5
	1 Transaction				
			Configurations		15
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	Export Log				5
	4 Transaction				
				Sub	25
Total:(Sum)					365
		UUCW = <b>365</b>			
	UUCP	= UAW + UUCW = 30 + 30	65 = 395		

	Calculation of AUCP							
Calculate TF (	Calculate TF (Technical Complexity Factors)							
TC-Factor:	Description:	Weight:	Complexity:	W * C				
01	Distributed System	2	2	4				
02	Response or Performance Objectives	2	2	4				
03	End-User Efficiency	1	2	2				
04	Complex Internal Processing	2	2	4				
05	Reusable Code	1	1	1				



06	Easy to Install	0.5	1	0.5
07	Easy to Use	0.5	1	0.5
08	Portable	2	1	2
09	Easy to Change	2	2	2
10	Concurrent	2	2	4
11	Security Objectives	2	2	4
12	Provides access for 3rd Parties	3	2	6
13	Special User Training Facilities Required	1	1	1
Total:(Sum)				35
	TCF = 0.6 + (0.01 * 35) = 0	0.95		
Calculate EF (	Environmental Factors)			
E-Factor:	Description:	Weight:	Value:	W * V
01	Familiarity With Project	3	2	6
02	Application Experience	2.5	2	5
03	OO Experience	2.5	2	5
04	Lead Analyst Capability	3	3	9
05	Motivation	2.5	2	5
06	Stable Requirements	3.5	2	7
07	Part-Time Workers	- 1.5	4	- 6
08	Difficult Programming Language	- 2.5	2	- 5
Total:(Sum)		•	•	26
	<b>EF</b> = 1.4 - (0.03 * 26) = <b>0</b> .	.62		
	AUCP = UUCP * TCF * EF = 395 * 0.95 * 0.	62 = 232.655	≈ 233	

Now, we also just temporarily put the counted value of Use Case Points aside for the next step of estimating the Effort of the Staff Months of the whole software system's implementation works.

# 3.04 Predicted Effort of Staff Months Based on the Above Two Metrics

	Count the effort based on Function Points with CMMI Level Metric							
As o	As our respectable Professor Dr. Ens advised, we use the method of CMMI Level to calculate the effort.							
	CMMI Level Calculation							
	SEI Maturity Level Meaning Function Points per Staff Month							
1	Initial	Chaotic	3					
2 Repeatable Marginal 3.5								
2.5	Our	Somewhat Adequate	4.75					



3	Defined	Adequate	5
4	Managed	Excellent	7.5
5	Optimizing	State of the Art	9

We are a team that consists of 4 guys with different coding talents, so we now make a table evaluating each developer's programming craft. See the bellowing:

Name	Dongjie Zou	Shengping Xu	Yujun Kong	Zening Fang
Skillfulness Level	Adequate	Excellent	Chaotic	Marginal
Level Score	5	7.5	3	3.5

#### Our Capacity in Programming as a Team

$$(5 + 7.5 + 3 + 3.5) / 4 = 19 / 4 = 4.75$$

We have known that the formerly calculated Adjusted Function Points value is 200.40

#### Therefore, Effort = AFPs / (FP per Staff Month) = 200.40 / 4.75 = 42.1895 ~ 42 Staff Months

Basically, we can say, as a development team, we four guys can accomplish the coding implementation

during 42 / 4 ~ 10.5 Months

#### Count the effort based on Function Points with CMMI-Like Level Metric

Moreover, we try to count out the Effort by the value of Use Case Points.

#### **CMMI Level-Like Calculation**

We try to use a CMMI Level-Like Pattern (Our Customized Pattern) to count out the Effort by different values listed in the below table, which is a very fun shot!

C	Customized Maturity Level	Meaning	Needed Hours per Use Case Point		
1	Initial	Chaotic	30		
2	Repeatable	Marginal	25		
2.5	Our	Somewhat Adequate	22.5		
3	Defined	Defined Adequate 20			
4	Managed	Excellent	15		
5	Optimizing	State of the Art	10		

We are a team that consists of 4 guys with different coding talents, so we now make a table evaluating each developer's programming craft. See the bellowing:

Name	Dongjie Zou	Shengping Xu	Yujun Kong	Zening Fang					
Skillfulness Level	Adequate	Excellent	Chaotic	Marginal					
Level Score	20	15	30	25					

#### Our Capacity in Programming as a Team

(20 + 15 + 30 + 25) / 4 = 90 / 4 = 22.5



We have known that the formerly calculated Adjusted Use Case Points value is 233

Therefore, Effort = AUCPs \* Hours per AUCP = 233 \* 22.5 = 5242.5 Staff Hours

According to the condition that we are graduate students as the kind of Semi-Part-Time Developer, we probably could work 30 hours per week, So:

5242.5 Staff Hours / 30 hours per week = 174.75 Weeks

Thence, 174.75 / 4 weeks = **43.6875** Staff Months

Basically, we can say, as a development team, we four guys can accomplish the coding implementation

during 43.6875 / 4 ~ 11 Months

Brilliant! These two estimated values of basing on metrics of <u>Function Points</u> and <u>Use Case Points</u> are incredibly close!!!

It looks that our estimation by using the methodologies of <u>Function Points</u> and <u>Use Case Points</u> is truly SUCCESSFUL! We did apply the appropriate and wise metrics to sizing this software system project!

#### 3.05 Estimated LOC Calculation Based on the Metric of Function Points

Count the LOC of Software System's Coding Works								
According to QSM Function Point Programming Languages Table (Selected Language)								
Programming Language Avg Medium Low High								
ASP	51	54	15	69				
Brio	14	14	13	16				
C++	50	53	25	80				
Excel	209	191	131	315				
FoxPro	36	35	34	38				
Java	53	53	14	134				
Perl	25	15	15	60				
SQL	SQL 21 21 13 37							
Visual Basic	42	44	20	60				

According to the before calculations and evaluations of our coding capacity, our skillfulness in programming is a bit lower than the average craft level, so we use 70 LOC per Adjusted Function Point to count out the total LOC of this software system development project, Therefore:

LOC = AFPs \* (QSM-FPPLT{Java}) = 200.40 \* 70 = 14,028.00 Lines of Codes



### 3.06 Defect and Its Density Prediction

Till now, although we have not yet conducted the coding implementation and testing execution, still, we like to testify if we have learned knowledge well for this course SSW533. So, we too love to do the prediction for the defect density in the following way.

								Estimate	Defects
Since our estimated development duration as a team working is 10.5 months, so:									
Given Data from Debugging Test Results									
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
20	35	16	33	19	28	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	1	1 2	Given Data	Given Data from Del	Given Data from Debugging T	Given Data from Debugging Test Result  1 2 3 4 5 6	Given Data from Debugging Test Results  1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Given Data from Debugging Test Results  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	ed development duration as a team working is 10.5 months, so:  Given Data from Debugging Test Results  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

#### **Problem Solving Mindset and Mind-Flow**

For predictably counting out the remained defects based on given conditions, there is a simple approach that can be used by a pattern of Rayleigh Distribution. It's based upon ~40% of the total defects that have appeared by Tm. Therefore, the calculation shall be like the bellowing.

The Calculation for K (Totally Possible Defects)

$$K = (20 + 35 + 16 + 33) * (100 / 40) = 104 * 2.5 = 260$$

So, each of 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th months shall on average be [260 - (20 + 35 + 16 + 33 + 19 + 28)] / 4 = 27.25

# Results and Discussion

#### 4.01 Result

The current situation in Shanghai has exceeded expectations, with most residents locked down at home. We designed this software to meet the daily shopping needs of residents in quarantine.

The following are the demo displays:



#### My Information Page:



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#### Category Page:



#### **Shopping Page:**



#### Main Menu:

#### Login Page:





For Login Page: We allow mobile phone and WeChat verification login.

Main Menu Page: You can browse popular products, click the page to browse product details.

Shopping Page: The status of the goods can be changed, and the purchased goods can be displayed in detail. The checkout button will jump to the checkout page.

My Information Page: You can view the status of the goods and modify the status of the order. You can also check whether the area is blocked, whether the logistics can be delivered, and the status of individuals and families.

#### 4.02 Discussion

After reviewing and discussing the current estimation metric we used in this project, we have come up with the following good points and drawbacks in this project:

In this estimation project, we have used both the Use Case Point metric and Function Points metric. Using both metrics might cause more effort and time for our team, but it can make the estimation result more accurate.

In the LOC estimation part, we have assumed that we use Java as our programming language. However, in real production circumstances, we have to use different languages to implement different parts of the project. For example, we use JavaScript as the front end, Java as the back end, and MySQL as our database. This could cause changes in the gearing factor. Therefore, we could combine the gearing factor of different languages and tools to get a more accurate gearing factor for our project.

In the Defects Estimation part, we applied the Rayleigh Distribution model to estimate the arrival rate of defects in our project. However, we cannot make the estimation very accurate since we don't have historical data from our team. We can only get an approximate result.

# Limitations

# 5.01 Limitations of Used Metrics and Methodologies

It is difficult to estimate effort/size related to projects accurately, because at the planning phase of the



project there is uncertainty about the project scope, due to the rapid change in the requirements in agile software development. In our project, our target user's size may vary based on different environments. For example, some communities in relatively remote locations tend to have fewer residents, while in some residential intensive areas, one community may include over twenty housing estates, which may be occupied by thousands of families. As the number of users increases, it is hard to define the accurate database capacity and processing speed. Some systems hold huge volumes of data. FPA rarely considers data storage.

In addition, it does not consider the size of simulations, animations, and additional document effects. For the use case points estimation, we find that it may work well for creating a rough, initial estimate of the overall project size, they are much less useful in driving the iteration-to-iteration work of the team. For example, when we design the user interface for different function pages, we find some of the details are not reflected in the initial technical cases, and some estimations with big weight may have a small impact across the overall project. With that being said, we cannot fully provide all possible use cases, otherwise, there is no learning based on working software during this period.

# Conclusion

# 6.01 Conclusion of Teamplay and Achievement

In the teamplay performance, we cooperated quite well. The morale was always kept on a very high level of the on-time meeting, rapid responses, quick critical thinking, closely collaborating, good looks and feel of the documentation publishment, and other qualified characteristics.

In the consideration of our achievement of this final project, we have the confidence to say that we literally conducted a fully qualified final project report even which is very close to the industrial standard. There are several shining parts of the accomplishment as the brilliant features we made.

- 1) We elicited a creative but still very empirically and realistically applicable topic in software development and its cost, effort, sizing, prediction, and estimation with proper metrics using. According to our outcomes for this final project, a new type of Group-Purchasing mode application we inspired seemly has a high possibility to be in the feasibility.
- 2) We applied the appropriate estimation and measurement methodologies such as "Function Points", "Use Case Points", "CMMI Level", "SEI Maturity", "Rayleigh Modeling", etc.

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Especially, two calculated outcomes of leveraging "Function Points" and "Use Case Points" metrics are wisely and incredibly close in quantitative concern. Moreover, our made identifications and specifications have been proved that our detailed and contextual calculations and prediction are also precise and persuasive.

What we have achieved represents enough expectation and outlook in executability and feasibility of this final project's proposed software system development. We believe that, in near future, we will highly probably begin to implement this software system to help the people in Shanghai city who are still in the lockdown crisis of lacking living supplement goods.

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# Appendices

### 8.01 Appendices

None in this version of writing

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# **APPRECIATIONS**

At the end of this writing, we want to unfeignedly appreciate you can tolerate our somewhat verbose elucidation of this merely qualified article for understanding the knowledge of Software Cost Estimation and Metrics.

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