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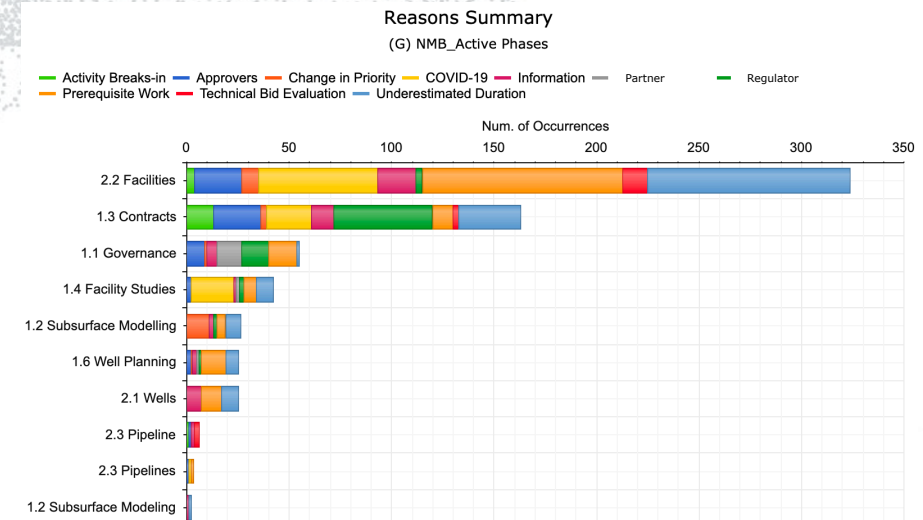
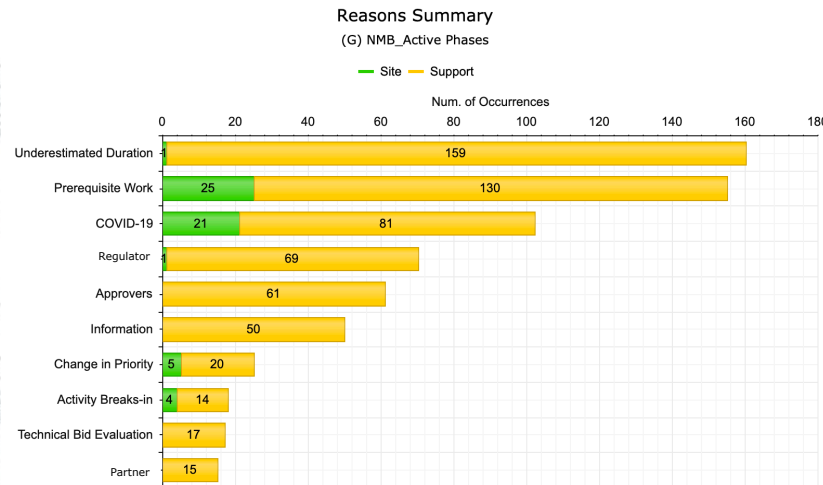
# PPM Basics

7<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium

# What Does the Data Tell Us ?



Established variability categories and captured sources to take action at different levels

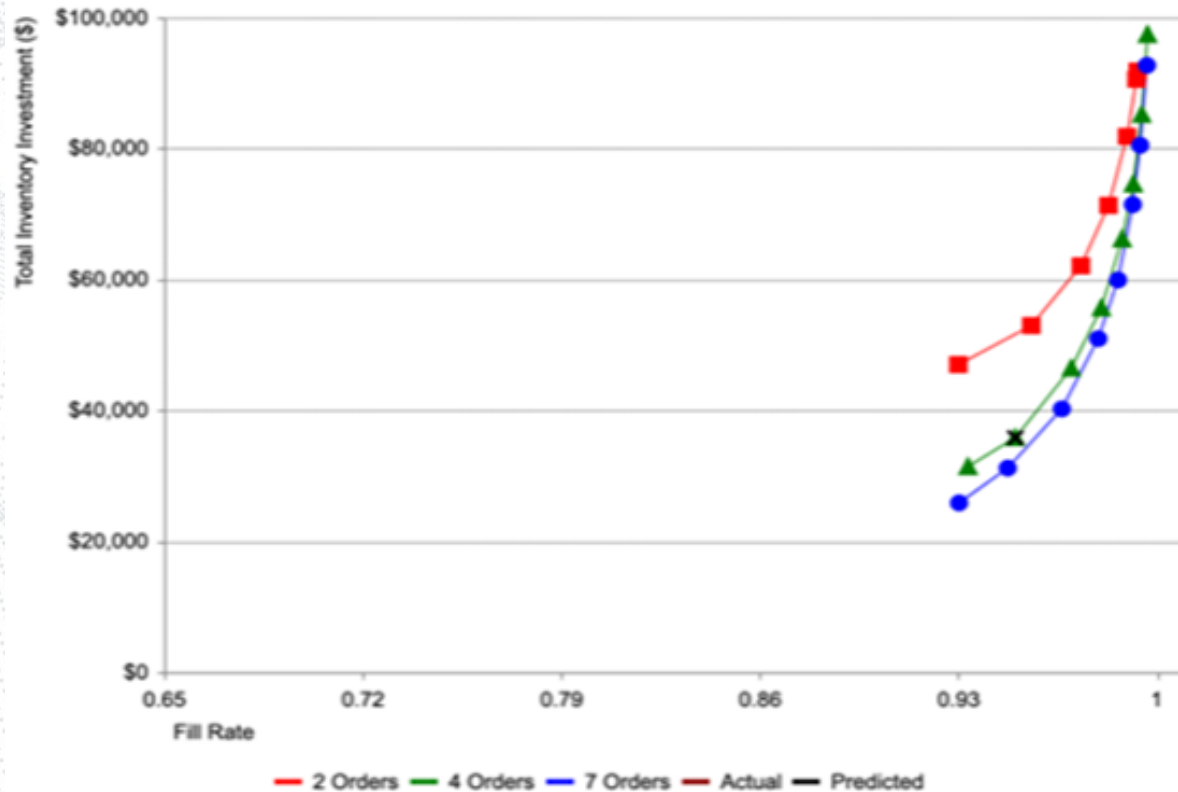




# Production System Optimization (PSO)

Through **PSO**, we are learning the impacts and cost of WIP to our performance

Cash tied up in unnecessary inventory is **NOT free!**



Inventory Tradeoff Plot - Piles

AVERAGE CASH TIED UP OVER DURATION		
ORIGINAL POLICY	PROPOSED POLICY	OPTIMAL POLICY
\$237,584	\$68,753	\$31,880

*Piling - Cash Flow Benefits*

# Targeted interventions could deliver project within current schedule

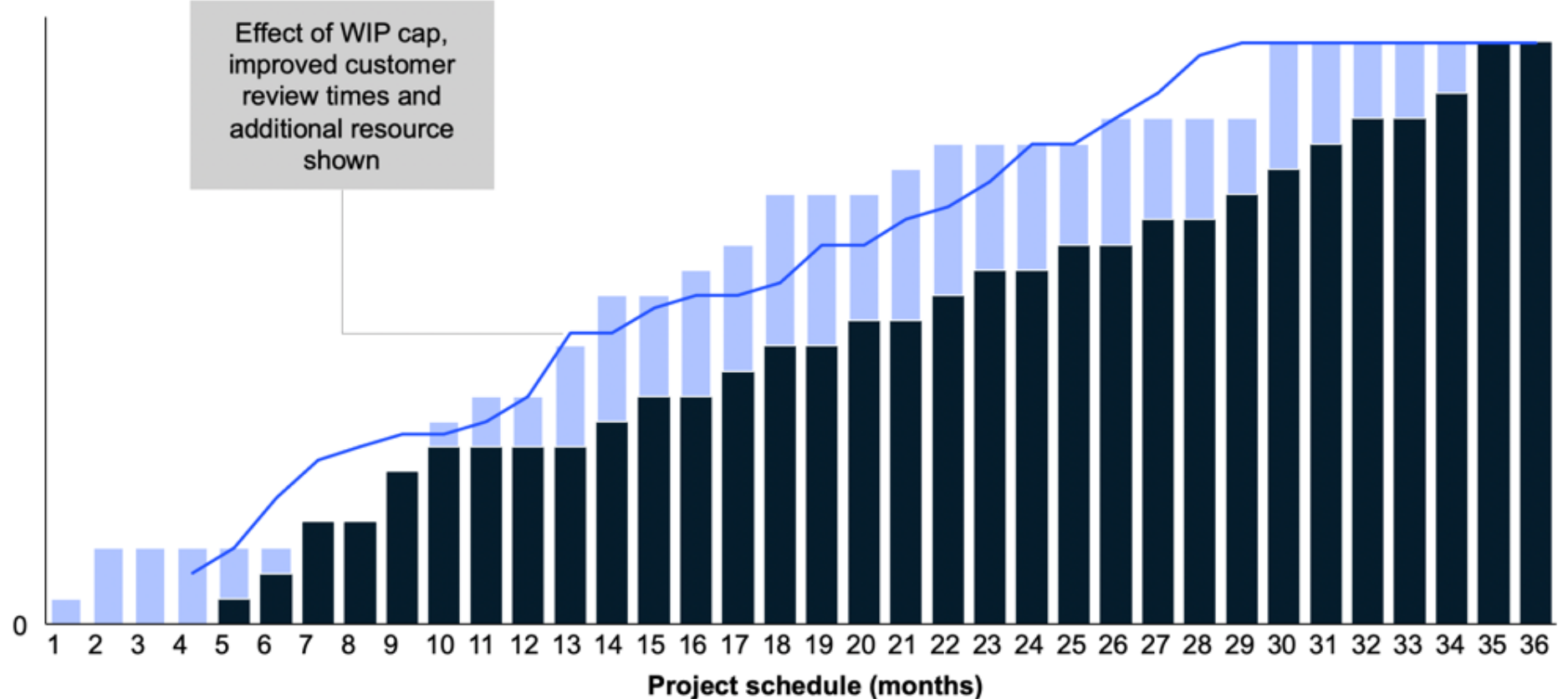
— Scenario ■ Baseline schedule ■ Projected output

## Scenarios applied

Cumulative number of designs at handover to sites, Number of designs

### Production System modelled with:

- **WIP capped at xx** designs in process
- Customer team **review times reduced by 50%**
- One **additional resource added in bottleneck teams**





# Industrialized Project Delivery



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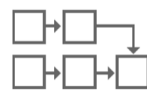
Documents

Schedule

Resources



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Product  
Design

Process  
Design

Capacity

Inventory

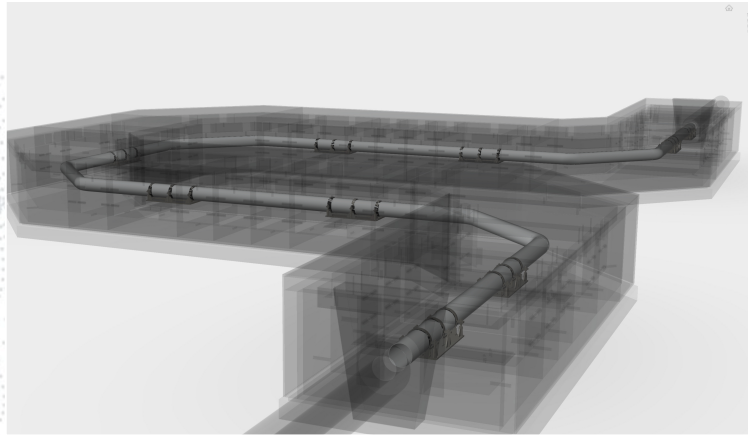
Variability

Datacenter Production System





## Our First CAPE Application – 93 Expansion Loops



Reduced cycle time by 30%

Reduced \$5 M on labor

Identified 9 design issues using the construction digital prototype



Identified 27 Fabrication / Construction improvement opportunities during First Run Studies



# 2A: Daily production meetings create a “battle rhythm” which lays the foundation for improved performance

## Cascading cadence of production control meetings help drive workflow

### 3 week lookahead planning meetings (1-2 hrs)

Purpose: Fully integrate project plan to resolve conflicts, optimize sequencing



### Daily production planning meetings (30 mins)

Purpose: establish specific, measurable outputs and track commitments on an individual basis

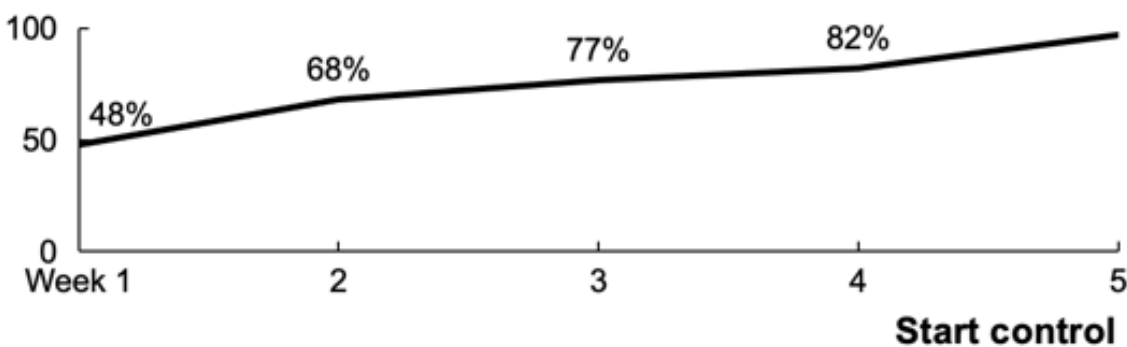


### Daily field delivery meetings (15 mins)

Purpose: Link daily tasks to production targets for each crew



Commitment reliability tracking establishes accountability to a crew level



Root cause analyses highlights issue trends that can be targeted for mitigation

## Categories of incomplete tasks, number of incomplete tasks

Category	Count
Not enough materials	10
Engineering incomplete	5
Predecessor work not complete	4
Priority change	2
Insufficient duration	2

Understanding reasons for delay allowed management to resolve issues

# What did we find out?



Potential to reduce ocean going vessels & inland logistics storage

Highest Capacity Utilization

Optimize Stacking Capacity (not number of stacking facilities)





# Microsoft Cloud – Operating as Scale

A world map with a dark blue background. The map is overlaid with a network of glowing orange and yellow dots, representing data centers, connected by thin, light blue lines. The dots are densely clustered in North America, Europe, and East Asia, with more sparse clusters in South America, Africa, and Australia. The lines represent network connections between these data centers.

**Adrian Olteanu**  
Data Center Lease Strategy

# Industry practices are grounded in myths and legends

## ERA 1 – Taylorism

Getting more out of workers

## ERA 2 – Predictability

Critical Path Method (CPM) scheduling and project controls

Front End Loading

3D CADD

Advanced Work Packaging

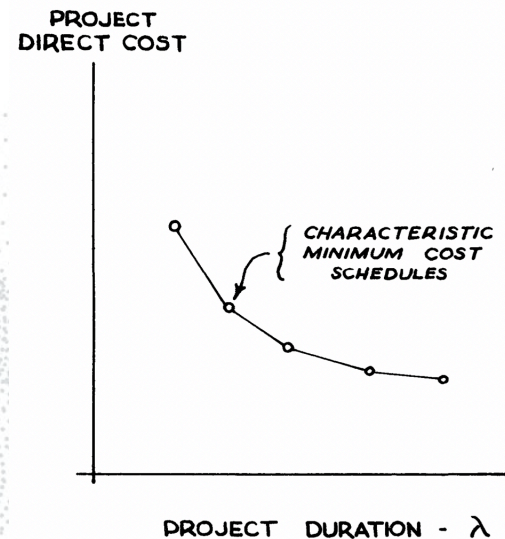
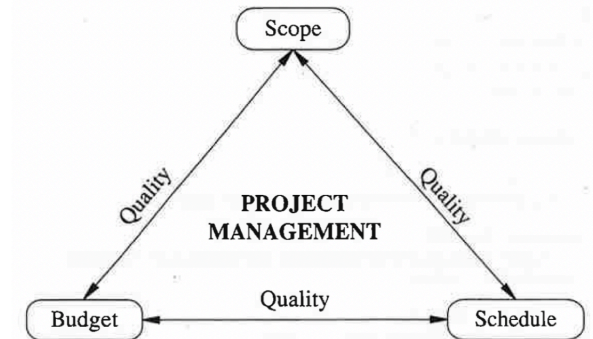


Fig. 3—Typical project cost curve.

Critical Path Planning and Scheduling Kelley & Walker

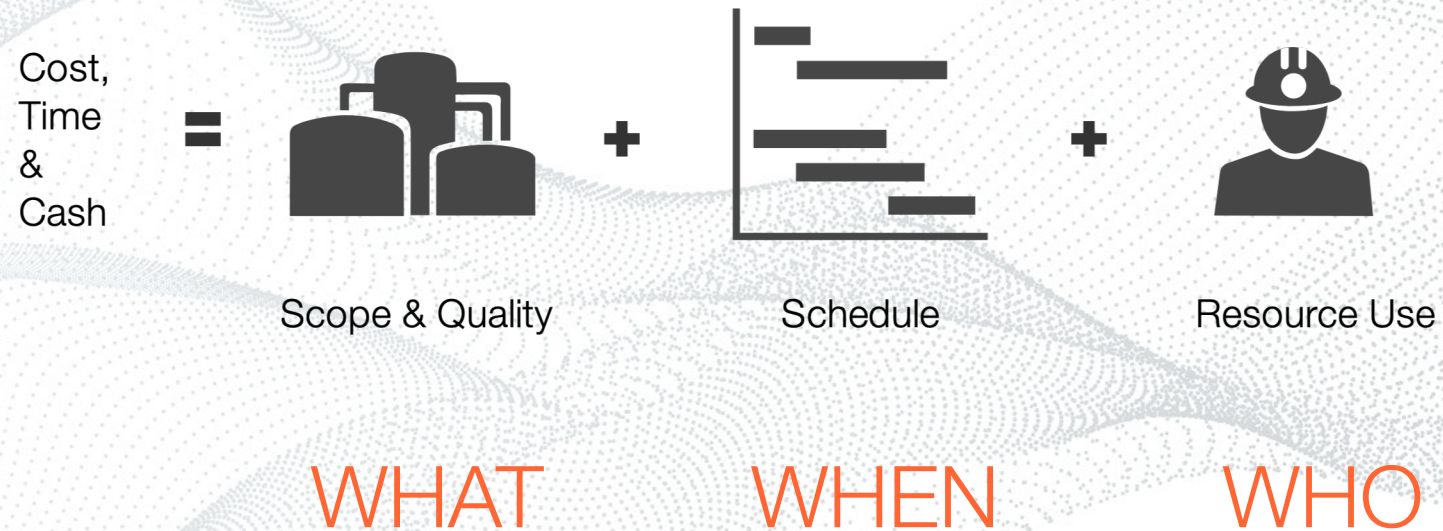
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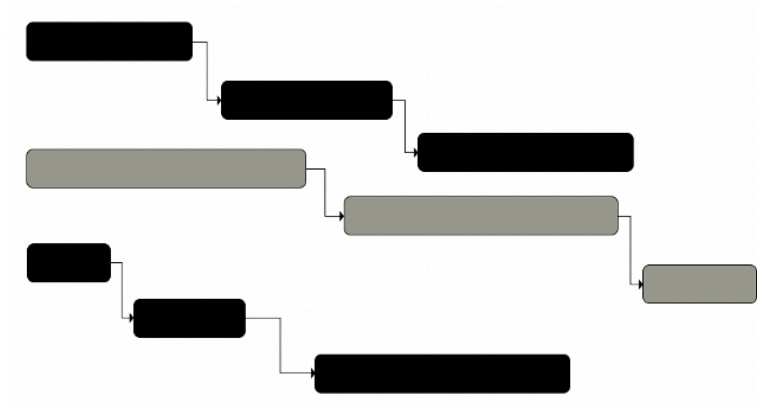




# Project Management



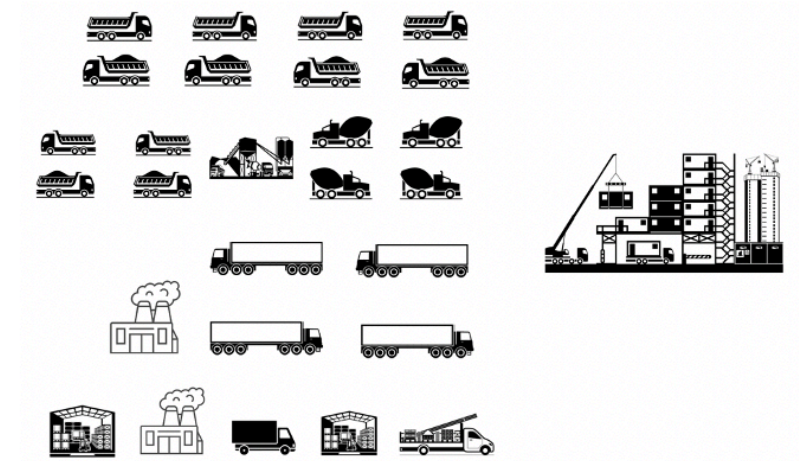
Schedule = Should Happen



Dates & Progress

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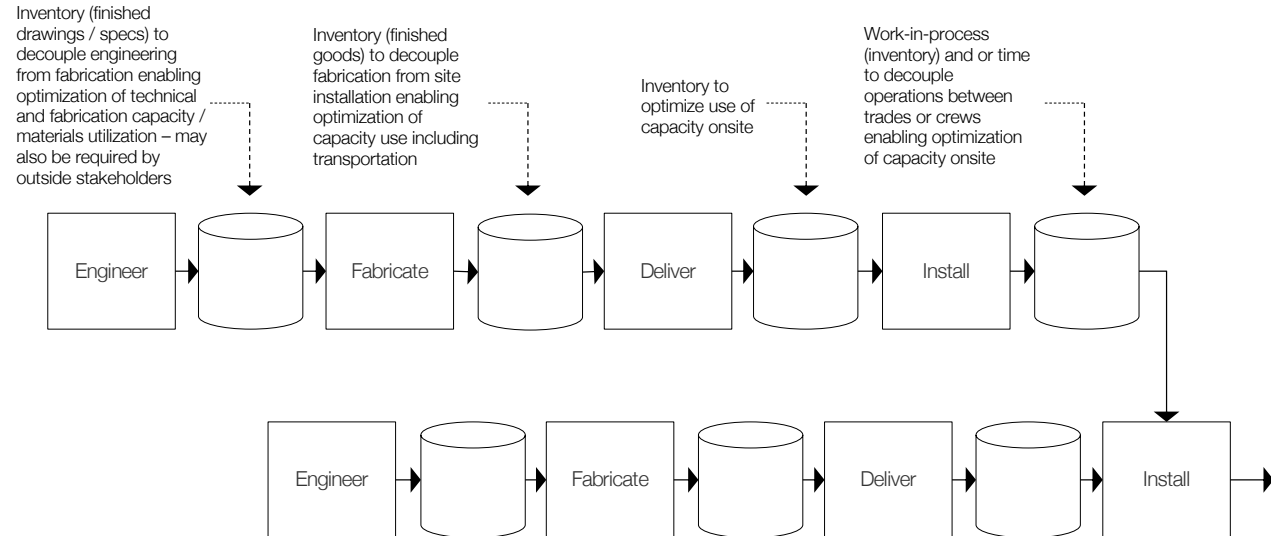
Production System = Can/Will Happen



Rates / Throughput



# Projects Naturally Deal with Variability by Protecting Each Step in the Process with Inventory



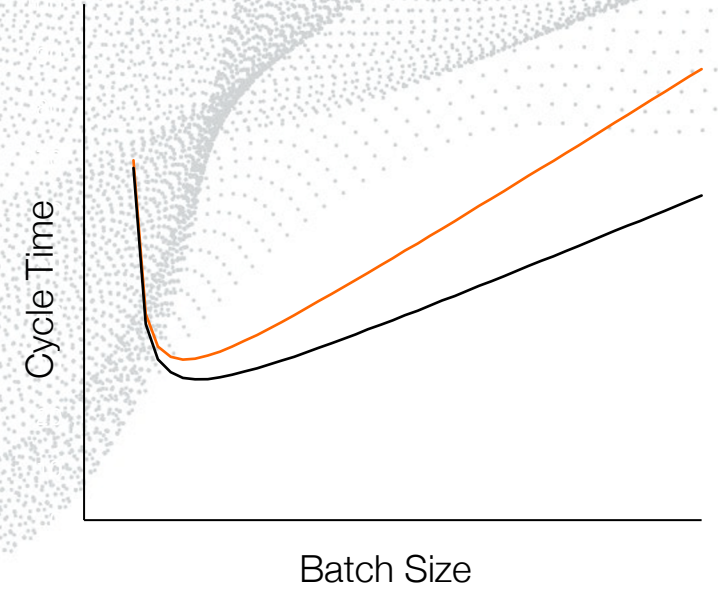
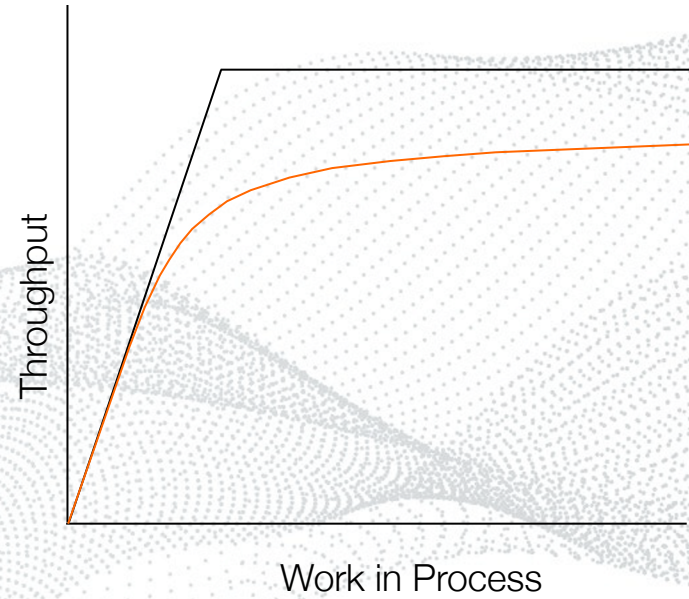
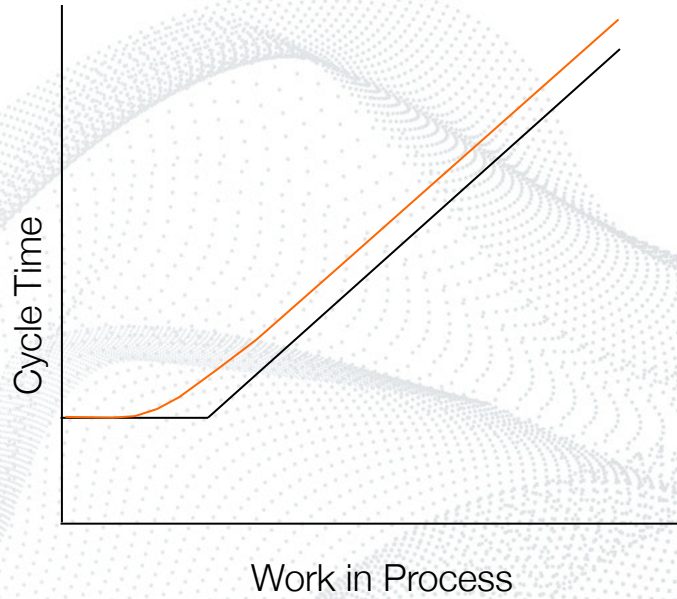
## IMPLICATIONS:

Work In Process (Inventory) = More Time

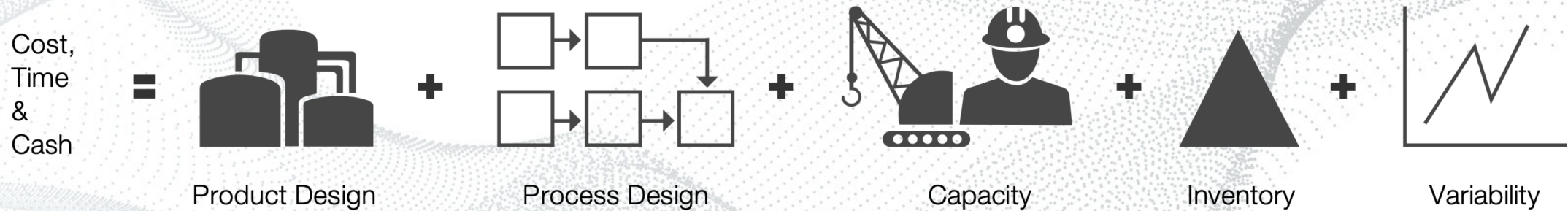
More Time = More Cost

More Time + More Cost = Lower ROI





# What is Really Going On?



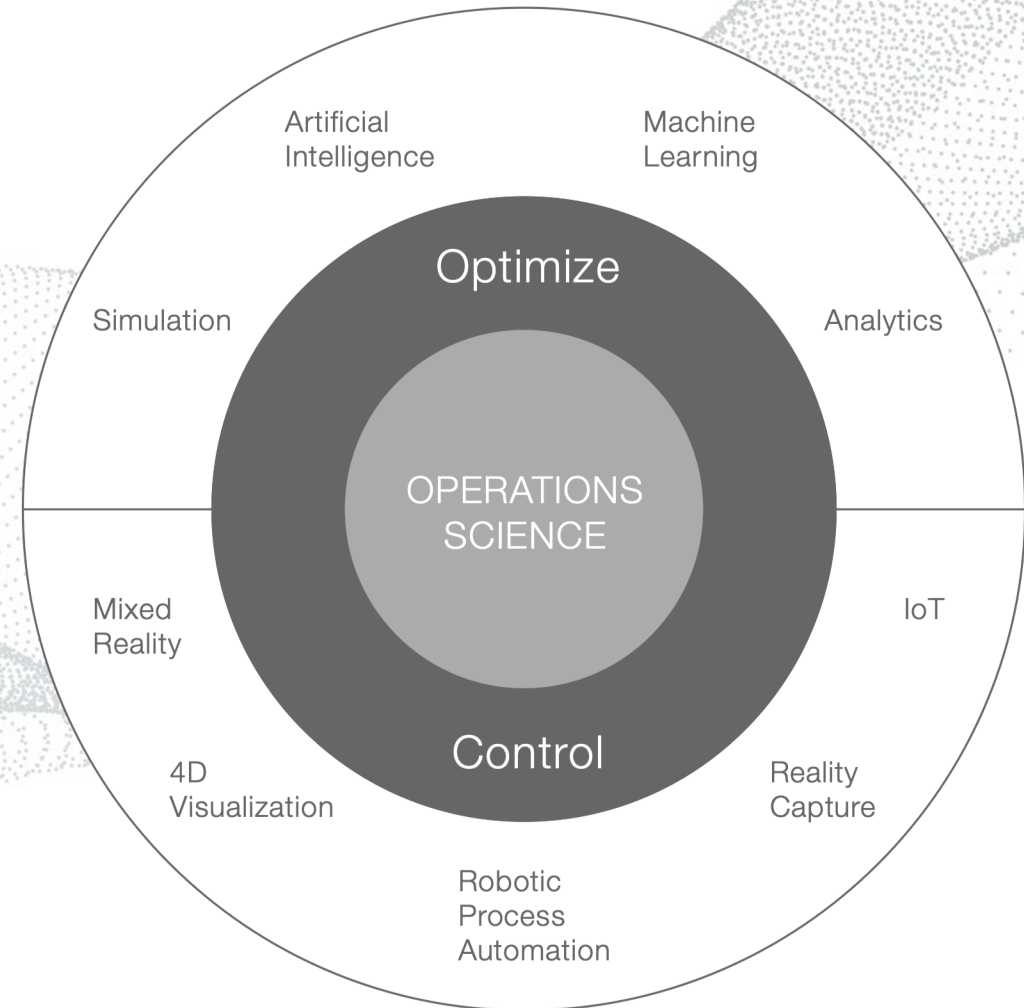
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Projects Are Unrecognized Production Systems

Governed by Little's Law:  $\text{Cycle Time} = \text{Work in Process} / \text{Throughput}$



# PPM FRAMEWORK

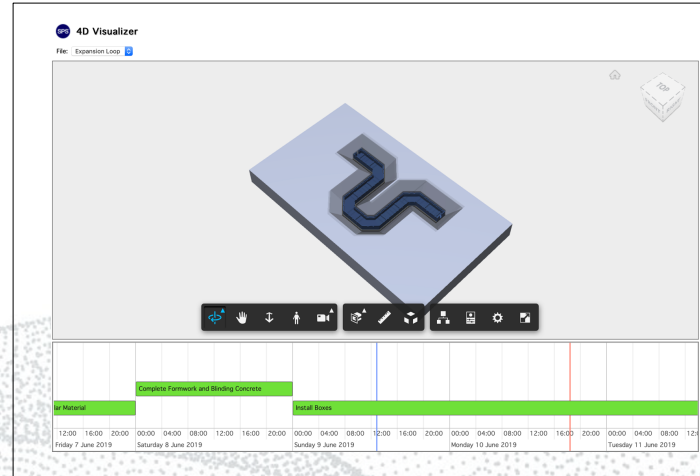






Production System Optimization

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Computer-Aided Production Engineering (CAPE)



Project Production Control



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Rates drive dates

Dynamic projects require rapid replanning

People doing the work do the real planning

Follow the science



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