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Software Data Collection: Supporting Defensible Estimates

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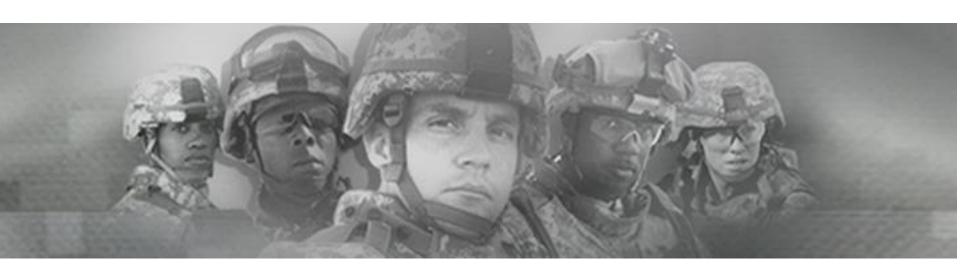
Goals of the presentation

- **✓G1.** What are the requirements for a successful data collection project?
- ✓ G2. How do consistency and automation create success?
- ✓ G3. What do you need to know to know to be successful with software data collection?



Outline

- Who PEO STRI Overview
- **Why** Affordability and budgetary impact of estimates done without historical data
- **How** Cost Analytics Implementation for better Data Collection



"WHEN AND WHERE"

Army Training Inventory

335,000 training devices located at over 600 sites worldwide

Sustained by 7,000 people

Valued at \$3.9B

Headquartered in Orlando, FL

Redstone Arsenal, AL

Fort Bliss, TX

Fort Huachuca, AZ.

Field OPS operates 24/7 around the world

"the sun never sets on their support"

1618 contracts valued at more than \$21.9 billion

HQ Orlando, FL; Redstone Arsenal, AL; Fort Bliss, TX; Fort Huachuca, AZ.

Joint Forces: Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and SOCOM.





WHY SIMULATION?

Simulation Is Safe, <u>Saves</u> Time, Money, Fuel and the Environment









- Safety less training injuries
- Minor Fuel Needs
- No Ammo Required
- Limits Environmental Impact
 - Air Pollution
 - Noise Pollution
 - Terrain Damage
- Inexpensive to Operate











Simulation **Enhances** Live Training

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Project Overview

The Situation: No Data.

No process in place to collect data

No official requirement to collect data

No authoritative database with project data to support estimation.

Estimates presented to ODASA-CE are asked, "Where is the supporting data?"

The Problem: ODASA CE adds a cost "plus up" (growth factor) from 30% to 60% for software cost estimates that are not informed by actual data from the past.

The Implications: Program(s) become unaffordable.

Less budget available for other PEO STRI programs

Less scope for the program being estimated (OneSAF)

Contractors perform to budget available



Project Overview

The Need

Significantly reduce growth factors in software cost. (PEO STRI)

A repeatable process for collecting the data required to defend estimates to oversight organization(s)

The Payoff

Improved AFFORDABILITY of software-intensive programs.

More delivered CAPABILITY; eliminate arbitrary growth factors.

Decreased CYCLE TIME to develop software cost estimates enabling more analysis

DEFENDABLE and CREDIBLE software cost estimates

Improved organizational ability to defend estimates

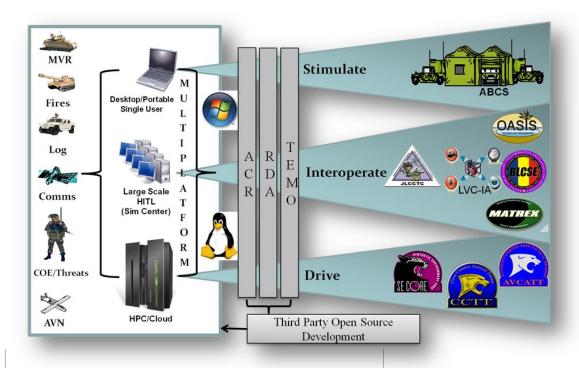
Better foundation for cost management

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What Is OneSAF?

OneSAF is a "composable," next generation computer generated forces simulation that represents a full range of operations, systems, and control processes from an individual combatant and platform to brigade level





OneSAF Characteristics

One large, complex, open source development program

Two contractors

A - Exclusively Capability development

B - Primarily integration and some capability development

Design Complexity

Huge amount of reused code

Multiple languages per single capability

Open source system with allied government handovers

Agile development environment – 10 week sprints





Strategy Guidelines and Assumptions

Minimize the impact to the government program office

Minimize the impact to the contractors

Ensure **repeatability** in the process

Ensure **consistency** of the data

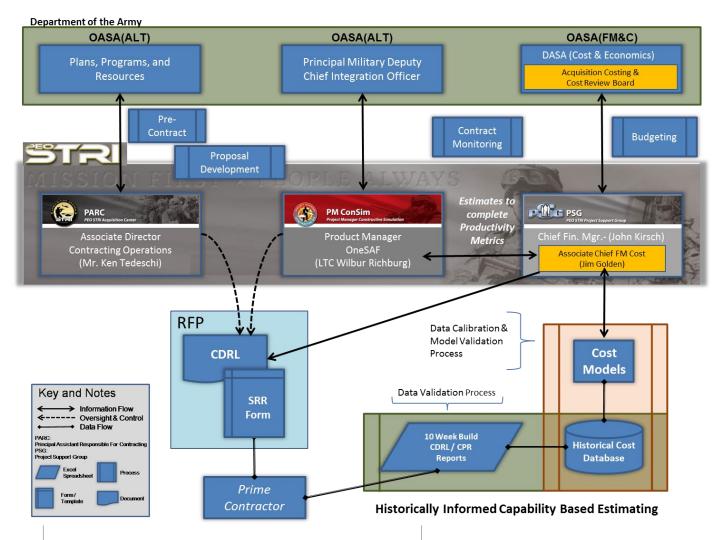
Ensure the data collected is **not** in a **proprietary format**

Future estimates will be developed with TruePlanning, but could be with other solutions.

Don't design a "point solution." The solution should be in large part re-usable across programs, PEO's and/or Departments.



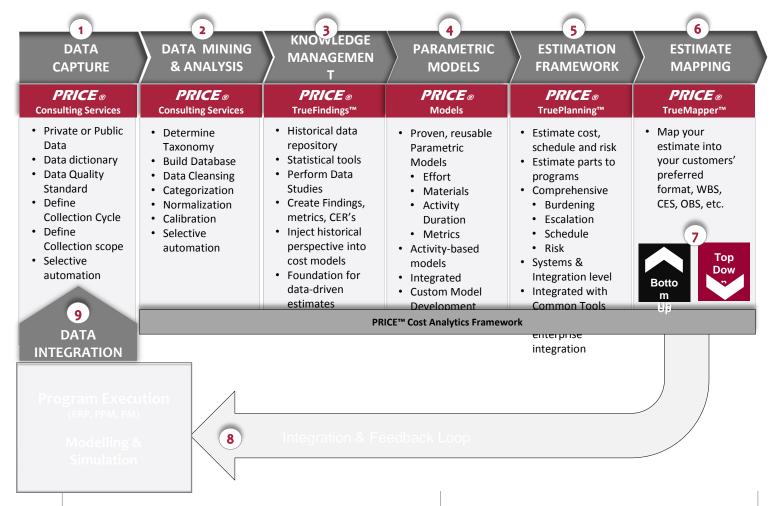
The Strategy





THE SOLUTION.

PRICE® Cost Analytics -> Data-Driven Estimation





Data Capture - Overview

Integrated Product Team (IPT) developed

PRICE, Vendor A, Vendor B, PEO STRI, PM CONSIM

Process of growth and trust

Excellent collaboration

Data Item Dictionary (DID)

What data to collect

How often to collect it

A clear understanding of the data and potential uses

How to align project specific data to more general categories (across multiple contractors)

Software Resource Report (SRR) – Commended by DASA-CE

Requirement added to Contract Deliverable Requirements List (CDRL) making data collection a contractor requirement



Data Capture - Overview

Semi-automated Excel Workbook

Skill hours (Resource Effort) from the contractor reporting system

Provided to the program office by contractors and summarized into consolidated report

USC CodeCount®

SLOC count based on logical lines of code as defined by the University of Southern California (USC) Code Counting Tool

Code counts are automated using the USC Code Counting Tool and a PRICE Systems provided Excel-based Companion App

Collection of the appropriate amount of data necessary to provide defendable cost estimates based on historical data

Identify and validate the collection process

DRAFT SRR presented to IPT and **worked together** to minimize impact and maximize quality



Data Capture – Software Resources Report

Software Resources Report developed to integrate and aligned with output of code counting tool and automate activity & resource mapping processes

Global Inputs (Program & Organization)

- 1.1. Release context and development organization
- 1.2 Product Release and Development Description
- 1.3 Activity and Resource Mapping
- 1.4 POC Information

Build Report Template

- 2.1 Build ID Information
- 2.2 Product Build Description
- 2.3 Development Resources
- 2.4 Requirement Reporting
- 2.5 Product Size Reporting
- 2.6 POC Information



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Data Capture - Automation

Creation of **automated** code counting solution by wrapping USC's Code Counting tool with Excel

Unified Code Count (UCC)

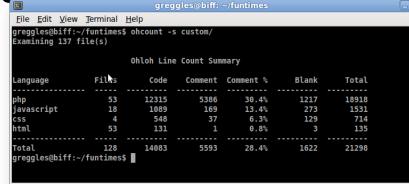
Free code counting tool developed by University of Southern California Center for Software Excellence (USC-CSE)

Implements popular code counting standards

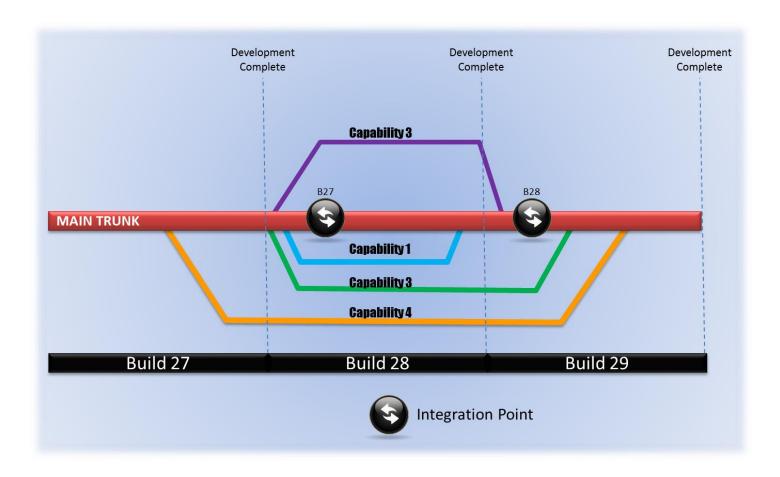
Supports over 21 software languages and performs source differencing

Key to identify new, deleted, modified and reused code base by capability by language



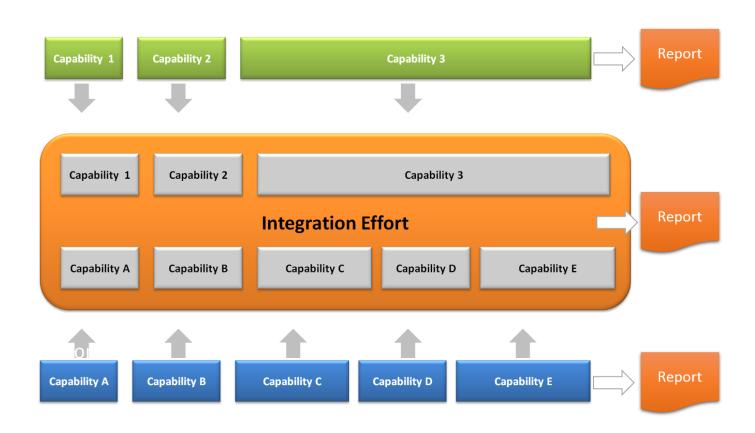


OneSAF Complexity Creates Challenges





Reporting Strategy for Maximum Benefit





Data Mining & Analysis

Taxonomy included metadata to align with PRICE® Software Model

Program attributes

Organization attributes

Development team attributes

Development Effort captured by Activity and Resource

Normalization guidelines developed & applied

Calibration Companion helps

Automate some of the normalization and calibration of the data

Ensure consistency in the process

Organizational Productivity

Functional Complexity by capability by language

Clear and concise documentation of the cost research process ensures that the process is transferrable and repeatable.

Data Collection - Lessons Learned

Entire team needs to understand motivation for data collection

Team building and relationship creation are extremely important to successful data collection

Alleviate contractor concern about being 'measured' or misuse of data

Facilitate determination of data collection targets

Need buy in from the data collectors





Data Collection - Lessons Learned

Automation is key to success

Creates consistency

Creates efficiency

Reduces impact on contractors

Promotes harmony

Only means to handle such large code counts / bases

Facilitates normalization and enforces normalization guidelines





Data Collection - Lessons Learned

Communication, teamwork and building trust are paramount

Transparency builds Trust

(Entire team needs to understand motivation for data collection)

Trust enhances Communication

(Alleviate contractor concern about being 'measured' or misuse of data)

Communication allows Flexibility

(Negotiation of what can be collected)

Flexibility allows Consensus

(Facilitate determination of data collection targets)

Consensus provides opportunity to move forward

(Need buy-in from the data collectors)





Business Impact

Qualitative Benefits:

Efficiency – faster cycle time to gather data and estimate costs

Compliance – valid, defensible software cost estimates compliant with ODASA-CE requirements for calibration and validation

Quality – standardized methodology across PEO STRI domains keeps the level of estimates at the highest quality possible based on local historical data

Credibility – PRICE® brings 40 years of credibility to the table and TruePlanning® generates defensible estimates based on historical data mined in-house

Accuracy – improved accuracy of cost estimates and funding requests

Improved contractor software data collection process



Business Impact

Quantitative Benefits:

Program cost savings of over \$90M indicated by pilot

Across six years – life cycle usually full operational capability +20

Using only a 15% reduction in growth factor – actual reduction higher Pilot looked at only eight software-intensive programs

Cost savings on program life cycle costs significantly reduced

Cost savings can be reinvested in new technology and to reduce funding requests

Revenue generation increases as PEO STRI lowers cost to take on more work

Effective measurement of the productivity of software development efforts supports creation and defensibility of future pricing/cost estimates.





Q&A SESSION

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