

Managing Design Risk

....how to reduce design risk,
share real world examples



Product Realization Group™
Bridging the Product Development Gap

Background

Product Realization Group (PRG) is the only one-stop-shop of product lifecycle services tailored for high technology businesses. PRG enables rapid and cost effective introduction of products to the market, regulatory compliance, manufacturing, service, and lifecycle support.

Engagements are tailored to fit business and product profiles. Twenty PRG companies currently deliver services to over 400 high technology clients.

Services / Partners

Marketing/Bus.

Product Design

Test / Reliability

Data Management

Regulatory

Supply Chain

Manufacturing

Logistics / Repair



Industries / Clients

Medical

Defense

Telecom

Semiconductor

Networking

Consumer

Industrial

Clean Tech



Upcoming Events

Sept 17 - Summer Symposium & BBQ
(Sunnyvale Sheraton)

Sept 25 – Certificate Program
(Foothill College)

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PRG Seminar Series



- ❖ Advance the understanding of the Product Realization Process
- ❖ Highlight current best practices
- ❖ Provide a local networking forum

Audience Question

What is your role?

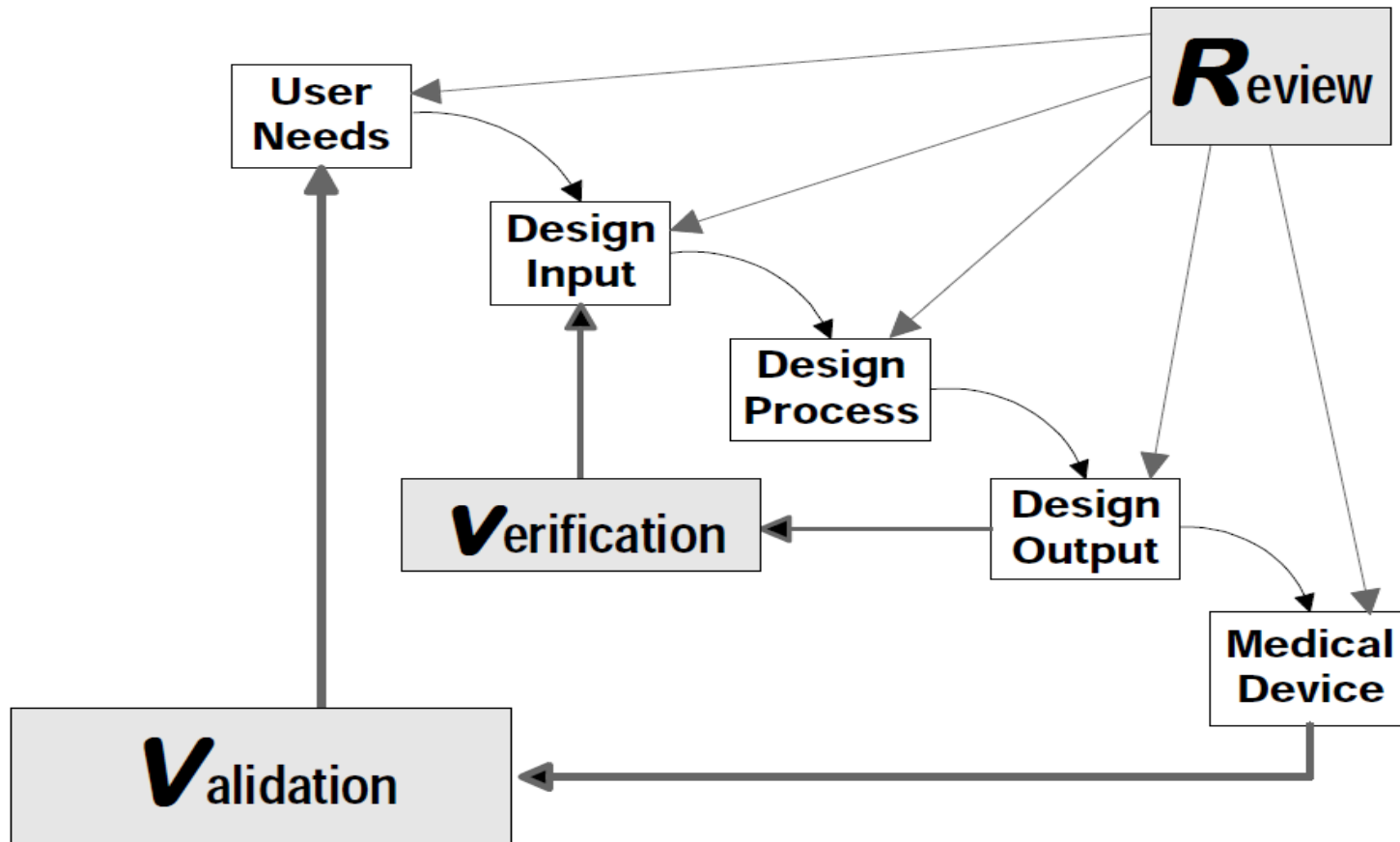
- Product Development**
- Quality / Regulatory**
- Operations / Manufacturing**
- Management**
- Other**



Michael Keer
Founder and CEO
Product Realization Group

PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW

Design Process



Waterfall Diagram for Design Control (from FDA "Design Control Guidance for Medical Device Manufacturers")

Scheduling

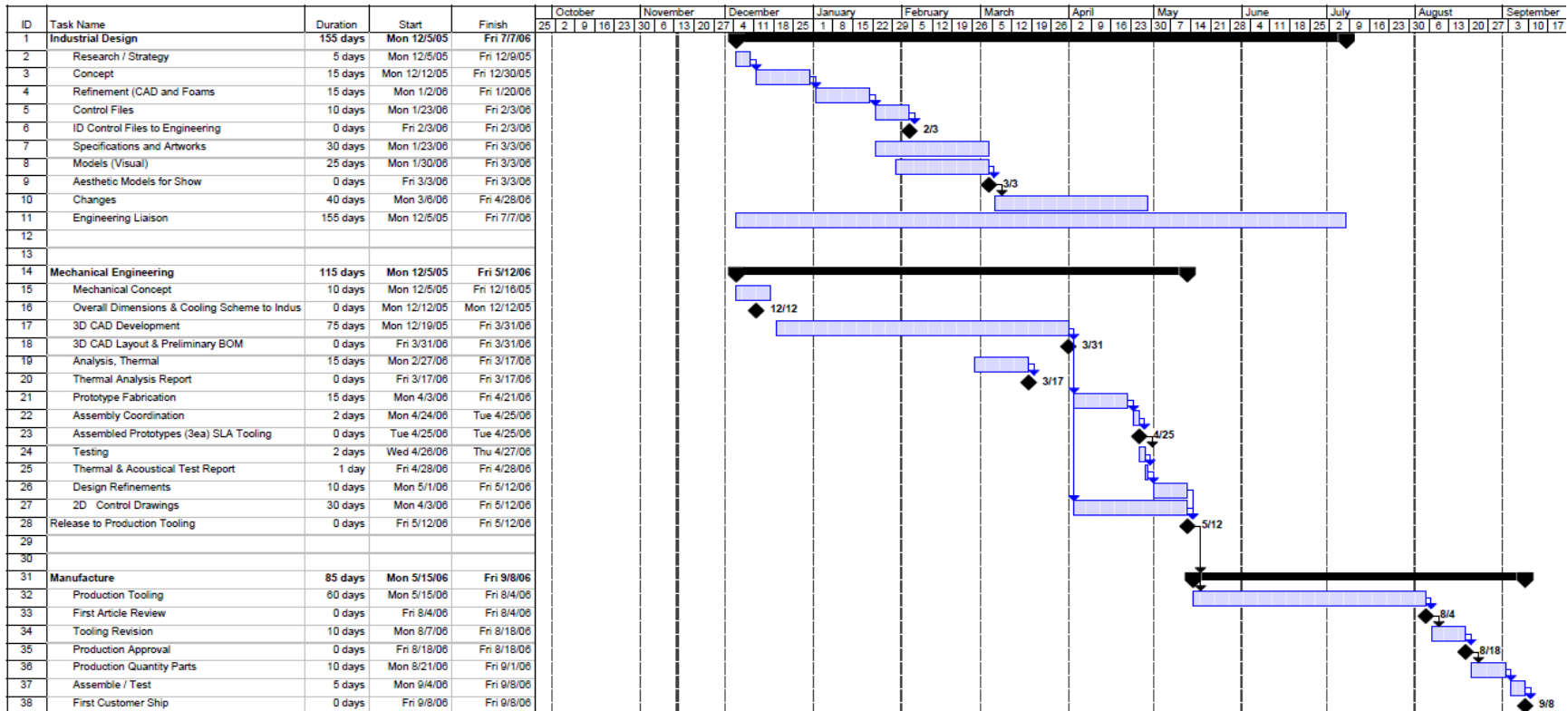
Create, Revise and Review

- ❖ Poor scheduling results in surprises later
- ❖ Get buy-in from all team members

Key parts of a schedule

- ❖ Specification creation
- ❖ Review meetings

Example Schedule – Gantt Chart



Project: Sample Schedule Date: Mon 11/14/05	Task		Milestone		Rolled Up Split		External Tasks		Deadline	
	Split		Summary		Rolled Up Milestone		Project Summary			
	Progress		Rolled Up Task		Rolled Up Progress		External Milestone			

Budgeting

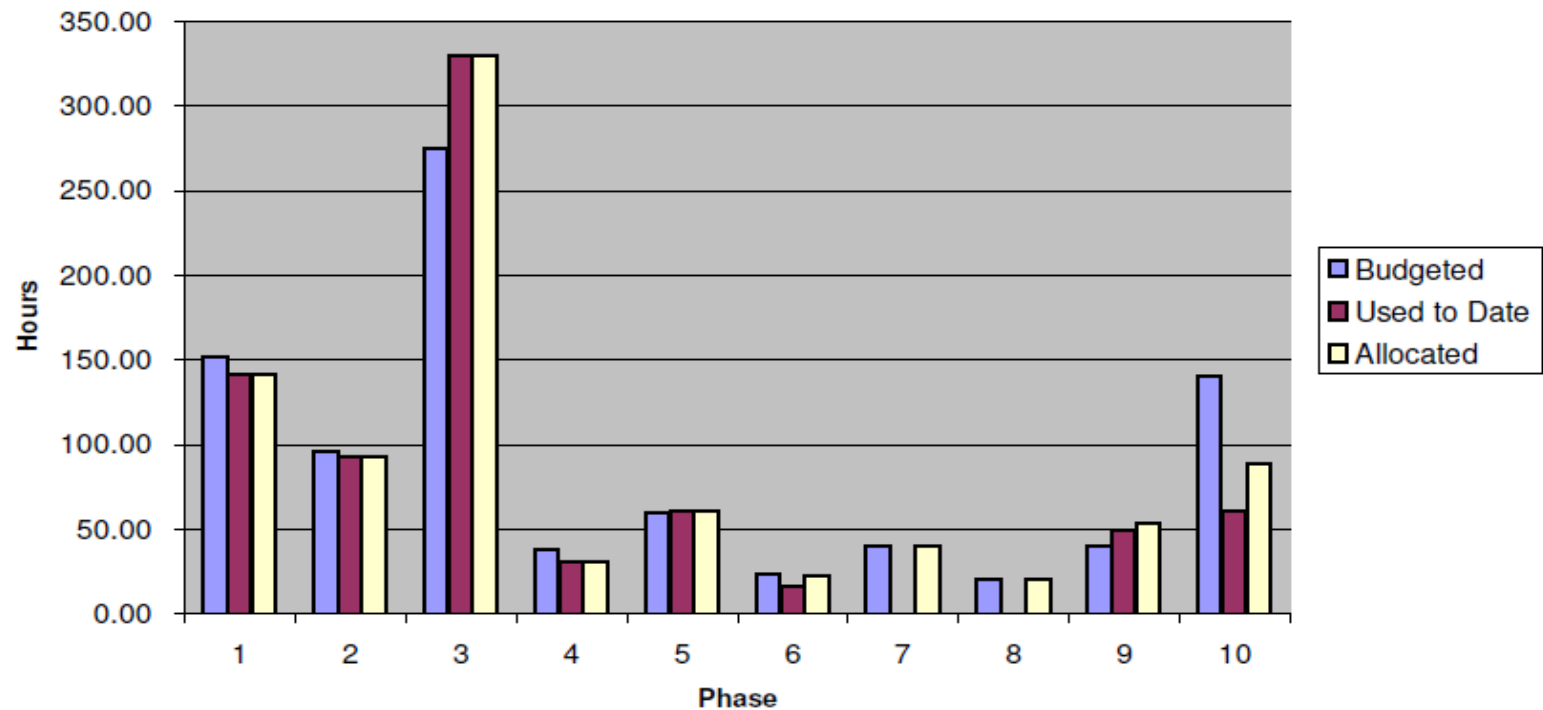
Non-Recurring Engineering (NRE)

One time cost for developing and testing a new product.

- ❖ Project Management
- ❖ Design
- ❖ Prototyping
- ❖ Testing
- ❖ Certifications/Approvals

Development Tracking - Example

TAE Project Snapshot



Design Outputs

Design Outputs should correspond to Design Inputs – item by item to verify design is complete

All product documentation

- ❖ Sufficient information to build and maintain the product
- ❖ All information generated during the design

Types of Output

- Schematics
- Layouts
- Bills of Materials (BOM)
- Mechanical drawings
- Software
- Manufacturing Procedures
- Review meeting notes
- Test Results

Electrical Output - Examples

- **Schematics**
 - ❖ System block diagrams
 - ❖ Subsystem schematics
- **PCB layouts**
 - ❖ Gerber files for manufacturing
 - ❖ Layout source files
- **Bill of Materials (BOM)**
 - ❖ System level
 - ❖ Subsystem level

Mechanical Output - Examples

- **Mechanical Drawings**
 - ❖ 3D CAD files
 - ❖ 2D CAD fabrication drawings
- **Bill of Materials (BOM)**
 - ❖ Top level, and sub-assemblies
- **Manufacturing Procedures / Test**
 - ❖ Assembly method sheets
 - ❖ Operational Standards and testing
 - ❖ Test results



Experienced
Risk Management
Panelists

PANEL DISCUSSION

Barbara Roberts

President & CEO



Wright Engineered Plastics

- Precision Injection Molding
- Cleanroom assembly
- Insert and overmolding
- ISO 13485

Collaborate ◦ Innovate ◦ Realize

Mark Brinkerhoff



President, Fusion Design Mechanical Development

- Products
- Equipment
- Prototypes
- Turnkey Systems

Accelerating Concepts to Creation

Mike Silverman

Managing Partner

Ops A La Carte

- Reliability Solutions
- Reliability Training
- Reliability Testing / HALT and HASS Labs



We provide Confidence in Reliability

Walt Maclay



President, Voler Systems

Electronic Circuit Design

➤ Sensors

➤ Analog

System Design

➤ Test Systems

Software & Firmware

We are the “Sensitive Engineers”

Moderator: Mike Keer

Founder and CEO

Product Realization Group



- Reduce Time-to-Market
- Minimize Investment
- Lower Cost and Risk
- Improve ROI

“Bridging the Product Development Gap”

Engineering Is About Tradeoffs

We Make Decisions or Tradeoffs on

- Time
- Appearance
- Performance
- Cost



Yet, We Want To Avoid

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Undesirable Outcomes!



Manage Risks

What are some techniques you use to manage risks?



Barbara's Tips for Managing Risks

- Eliminate manufacturing steps
- Simplify and test all processes
- Obtain feedback from suppliers
- Fixture assembly for repeatability
- Design in-process testing to reflect real conditions for use

Barbara's Tips for Managing Risks

- Test product design using min/max tolerances for all manufactured components



Mark's Tips for Managing Risks

- Find the best fabricator for that tough part
- Plan for the worst and shoot for the best!
- Lead the target



Mike's Tips for Managing Risks

- Develop and monitor the goal



Mike's Tips for Managing Risks

- Write a reliability plan



Mike's Tips for Managing Risks

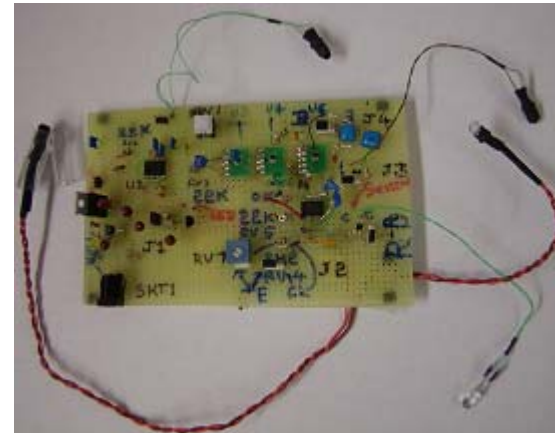
- Start your failure identification process (FMEA) early and do often



Walt's Tips for Managing Risks

- Select components that are in stock at a top tier distributor

- Evaluate risky technology first



- Don't combine: short schedule, tight specs, small budget

Communicating Risks

What are a couple techniques you use for communicating risk at the design team level?

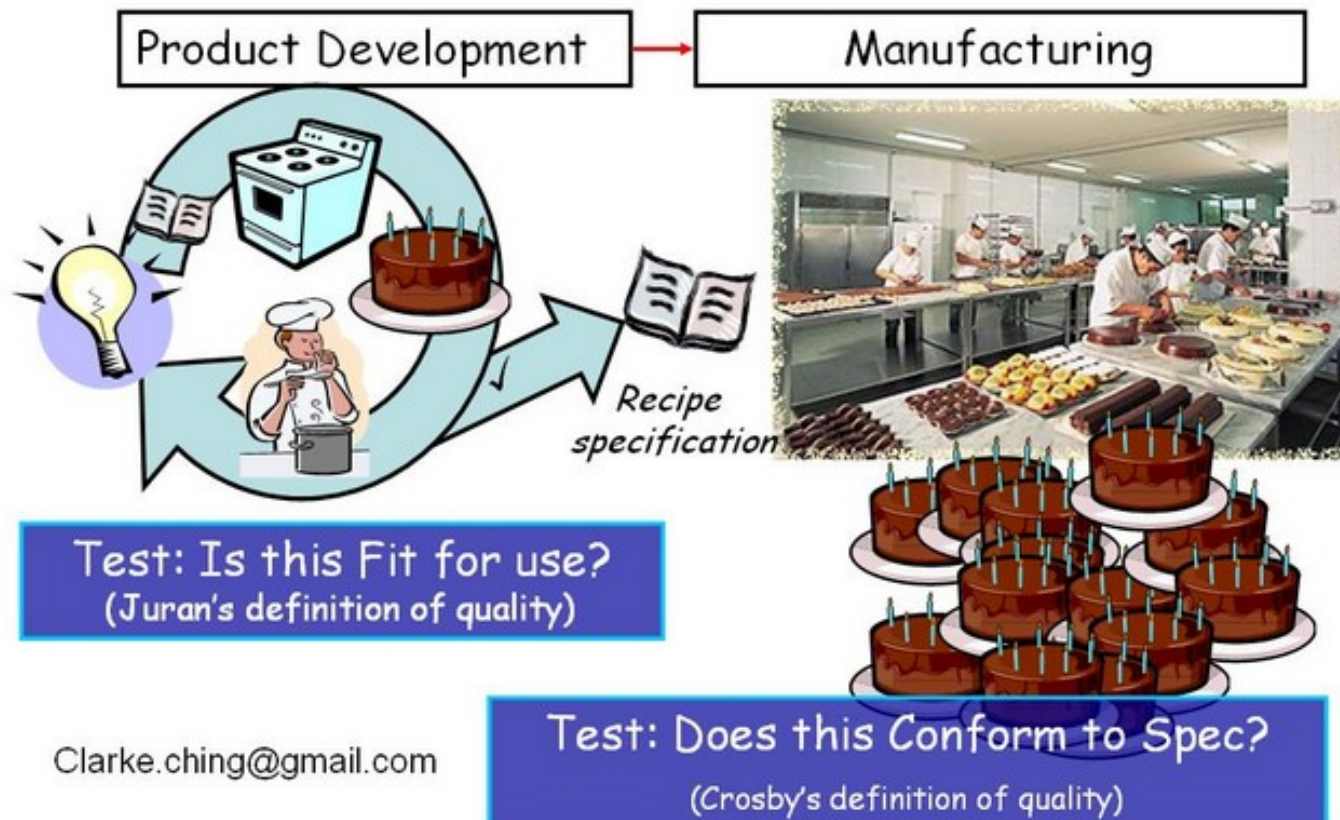


Barbara's Tips for Communicating Risk

- Monitor risk during development team meetings
- Prepare a communication plan for transfer to high volume manufacturing
- Uncover undocumented but necessary specifications

Barbara's Tips for Communicating Risk

Product Development vs. Manufacturing

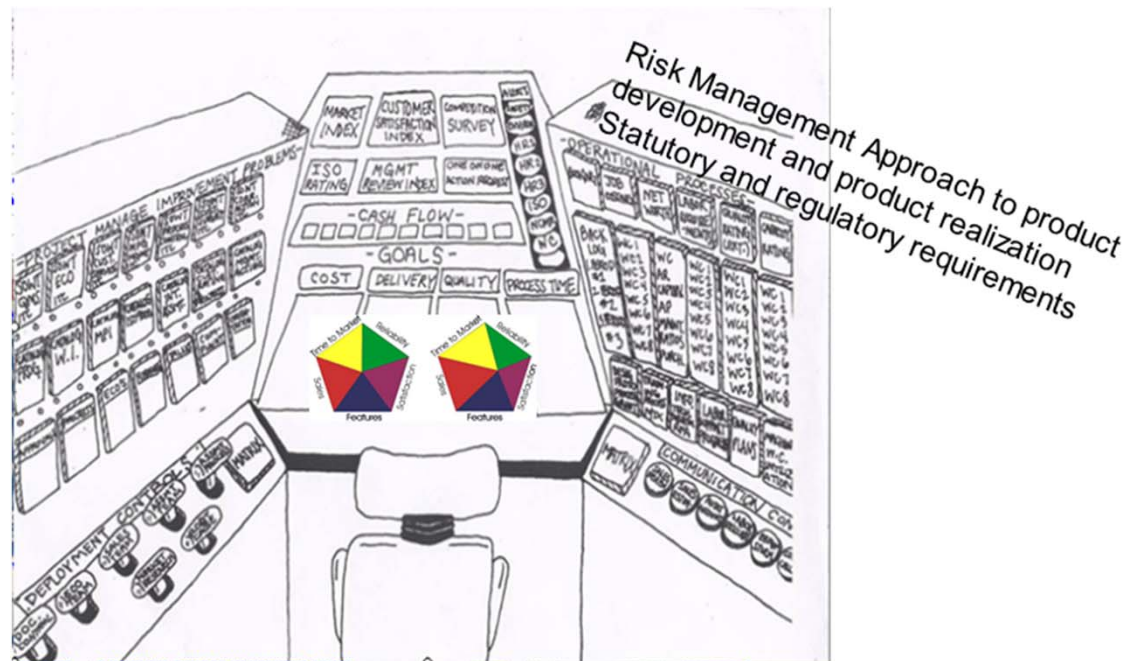


Mark's Tips for Communicating Risk

- Focus and brainstorm solutions weekly
- Define, track and post the target
- Strategically Leverage 3rd party unbiased experience

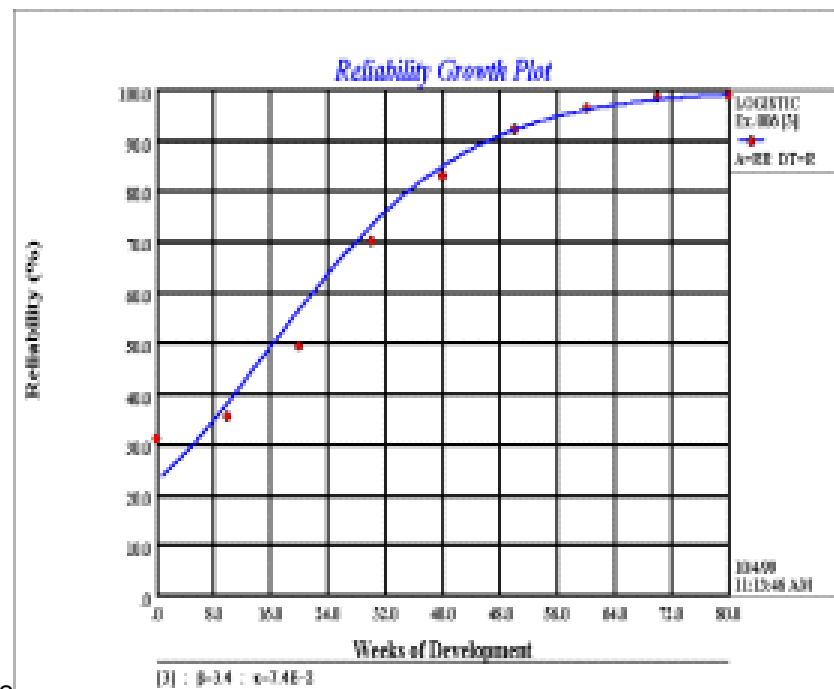
Mike's Tips for Communicating Risk

- Use an “organic dashboard” to show management where risks are and how they will be mitigated.



Mike's Tips for Communicating Risk

- Integrate reliability testing schedule in with development schedule to make sure tests hit targets before release.



Walt's Tips for Communicating Risk

- Over communicate
- Write good specifications
- Include all stakeholders in planning
(Engineering, Marketing, Manufacturing, Customer Service, Finance)

For Your Area of Expertise

What is no longer a risk?

What is an emerging risk?



Plastic Molding

No longer a risk:

- Unexpected part fill problems

Emerging risk:

- Tool construction and sampling in remote locations
- Condensing timelines by skipping verification steps

Mechanical

No longer a risk:

- Rapid Mock ups to align development path with customer needs

Emerging risk:

- Global single sourcing

Reliability

No longer a risk:

- Using Design for Reliability reduces risk
- RoHS

Emerging risk:

- REACH
- New standard to comply with
 - IEC60601-1, 3rd Edition

Electronic Design & Software

No longer a risk:

- Wireless modules

Emerging risk:

- Increase in regulations

Submitted Questions

Share an example where
technological risks were involved

What did you do to mitigate?

Submitted Questions

Share an example where **transfer from design to manufacturing** risks were involved

What did you do to mitigate?

Audience Questions



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