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## Save Money in Software Management:

# Applying Asset Management (AM) Techniques to Software Assets

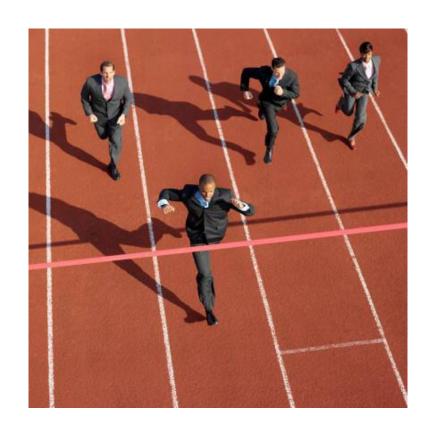
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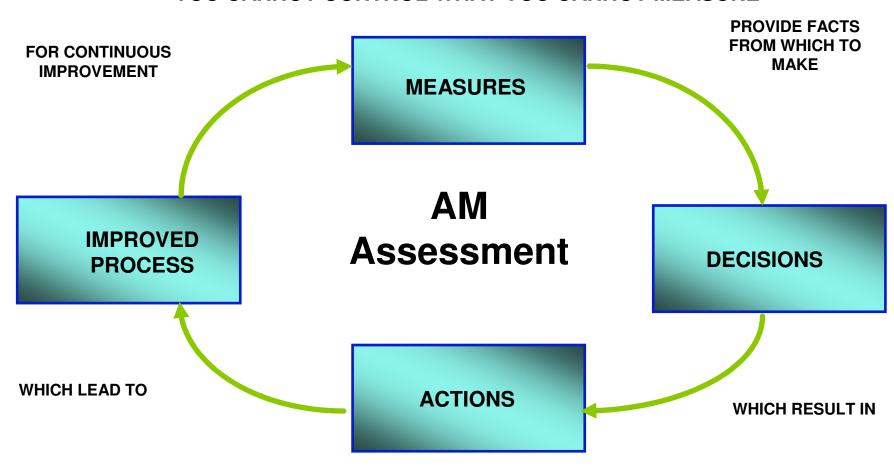
#### The Business Need

- Increase Return on Assets (ROA)
- Optimize vendor contracts and relationships
- Contain IT expense
- Improve process efficiencies
- Relieve downward pressure on budgeting and resources
- Support Acquisitions,Divestitures and Consolidations

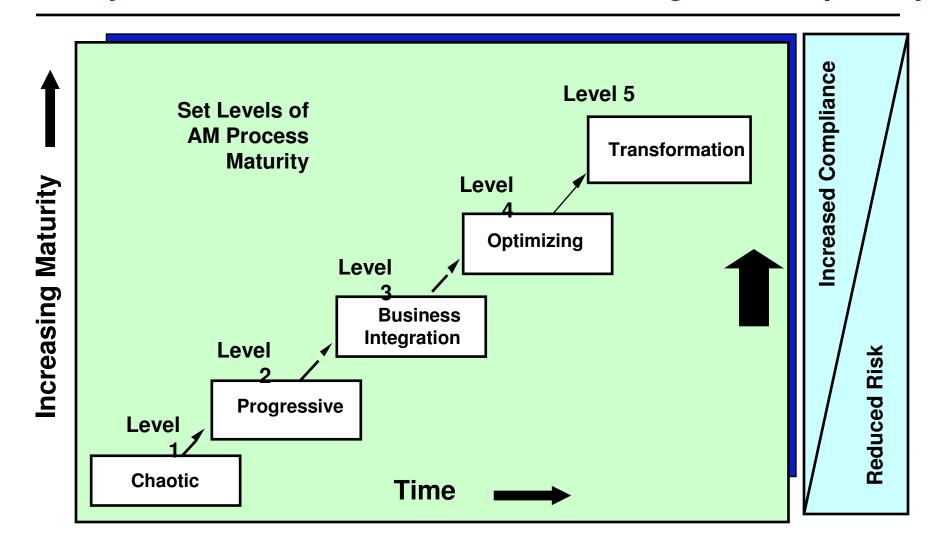


## The Value of an Asset Management Assessment

#### YOU CANNOT CONTROL WHAT YOU CANNOT MEASURE



## **Continuous Process Improvement:**A Key Element of an Advanced Asset Management Capability



#### Process Maturity Level: Impact on Software Costs

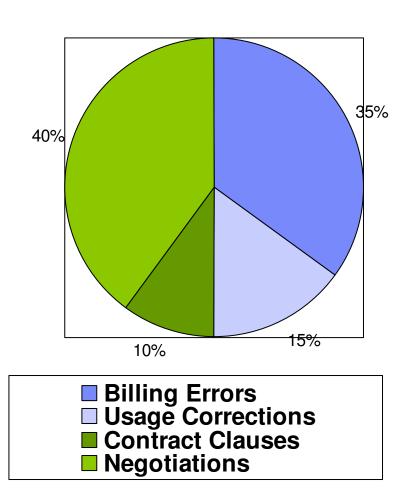
AM Process Maturity	Pct* Companies	Increased Effectiveness	Budget Example	Savings For each \$1MM
I	30%	0	\$1,000,000	- 0 -
II	45%	+15%	\$850,000	\$ 150,000
III	20%	+25%	\$800,000	\$ 250,000
IV	5%	+45%	\$550,000	\$ 450,000
V	-	+55%	\$450,000	\$ 550,000

**Companies with a Higher Level of Process Maturity are More Effective** 

#### Where Do the Process Gains Come From?

#### **Process Improvements**

- Reducing Billing Errors
- Usage Corrections
- Favorable Contract Clauses
- Improved Negotiations



#### Where Do the Asset Gains Come From?

#### **Asset Utilization & Management**

- Usage analysis
- Eliminate unused or infrequently used assets
- Find duplicative versions of software
- Unnecessary Payment analysis

There's some hard work to do.

You know the drill...

#### **AM Assessment Approach**

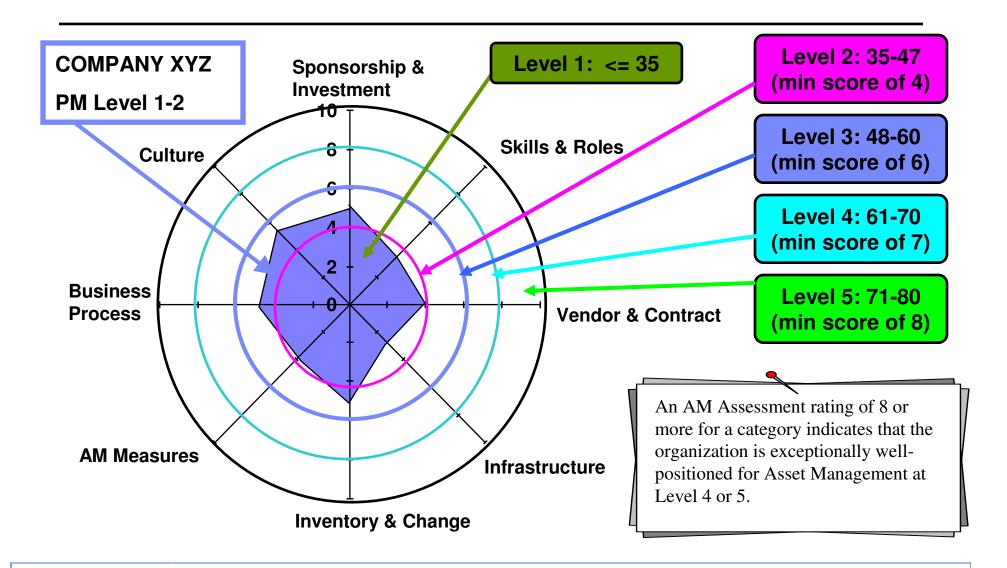
- Through interviews and work sessions we determine your organization's rating on each of the 8 key success factors in the AM assessment model by platform.
  - Executive and staff
- 2) Identify and collect barriers (at all levels) that increase the risk to achieving higher ratings.
- 3) Current AM Assessment data is scored, correlated (internal views and trends, prior assessment years, relevant external data), analyzed and documented.
  - Strengths and Improvement Opportunities by applicable platform
  - AM Process Maturity Level is determined.
- 4) Identify gap-closing ideas for addressing the current status and opportunities to ensure long-term success.



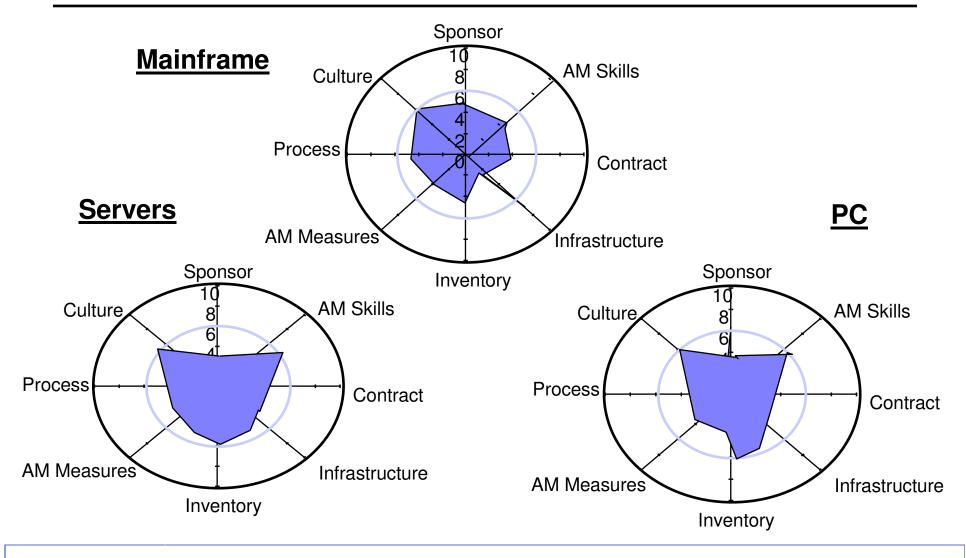
#### **Elements of The Asset Management Assessment**

- Culture
- Business Process
- AM Value Measurement
- Sponsorship and Investment
- Inventory and Usage
- AM Team Skills and Roles
- Contract Management
- Infrastructure

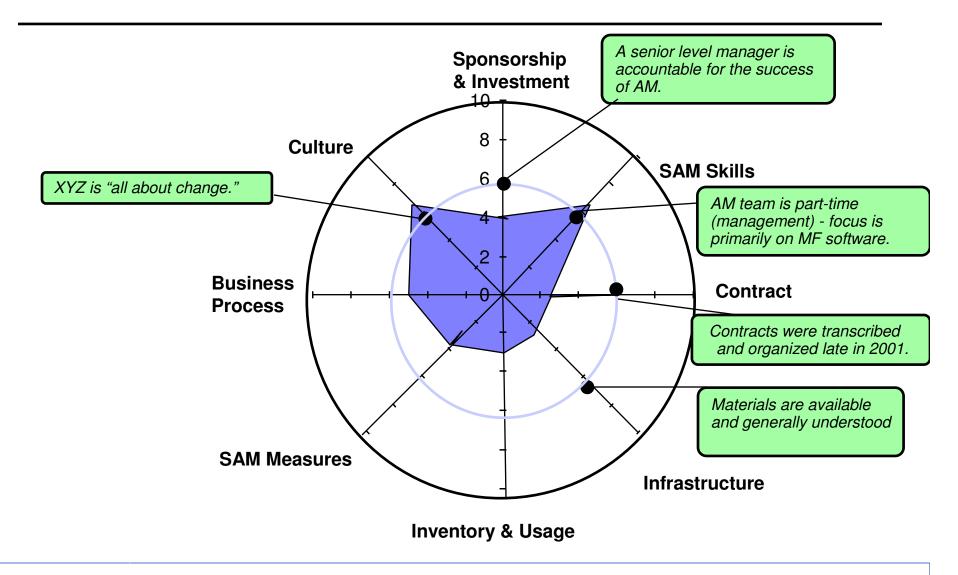
#### **AM Maturity Level**



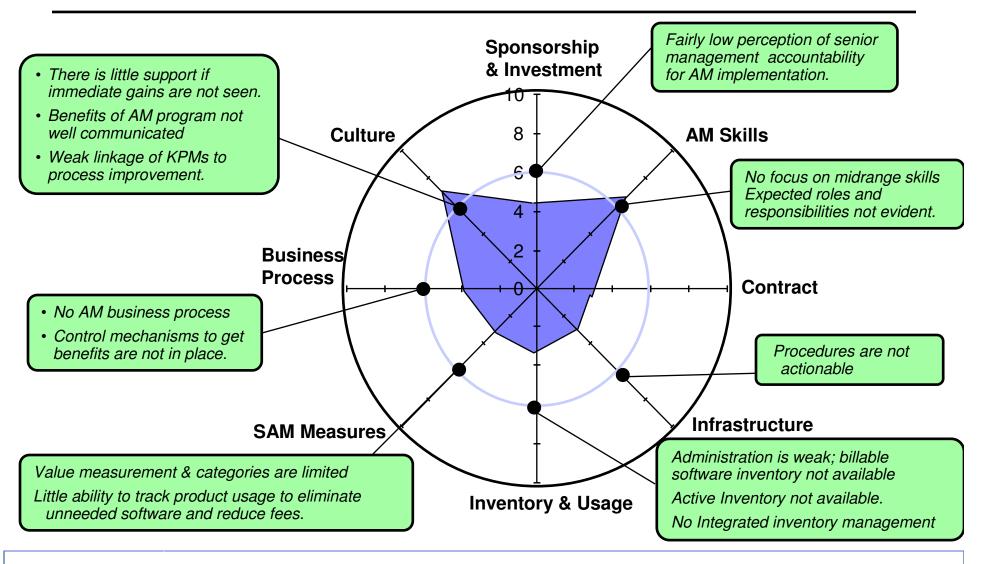
#### **AM Assessment Detail By Platform**



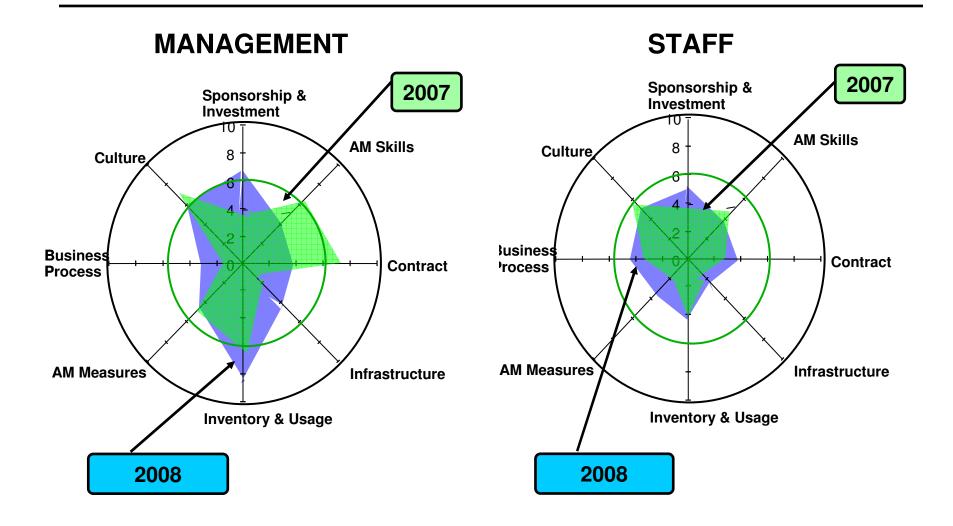
#### By Platform: Summary of Strengths-Examples



#### By Platform: Improvement Opportunities-Examples



#### **Trend Results-Example**



### **Analysis and Observation: Interviews & Scoring Results-Examples**

- Contracts are "pretty well" managed <u>but</u>
  - "Results" have not been validated; the data is not maintained
  - Initial repository efforts have not been sustained
  - Inventory & Usage results are not available to drive contract negotiations
- AM Team Skills appear to be adequate
  - Although "Skills" rate lower than Roles and Responsibilities
- Staff performs AM related activities on an "ad-hoc" basis, responses indicate limited "awareness" of other AM areas
  - Focus is solely on their assigned "segment" of AM
  - There appears to be little overlap or cross-training
  - Mainframe responses "DK" = 53%; Midrange "DK" = 42%
- AM Business Process and Reporting are Weak
  - Data is not integrated
  - A lack of processes (which includes standards and controls), and the ability to implement the processes.
- AM Value Measures are generally not in place
- There Is a Lack of Automated Resources
  - No automated way to discover software which is not being used
  - No automated way to integrate software license and software usage
- There is no clear vision or plan for building an integrated Asset Management organization.

#### **Example Recommendations:**

Dimension	Example Recommendation(s)
Sponsorship	Develop a 3 year plan for building integrated AM organization with documented processes & procedures
AM Team	Clarify and document team responsibilities
	Attend "robust" training session with extensive "take away" materials
	Develop/acquire a starter set of customizable AM staff documentation
Contract Management	Strongly consider automated repository
	Integrate contract data with inventory and usage

Goal: Continue to improve processes & reduce spending

#### **Example Recommendations: (Continued)**

Dimension	Example Recommendation(s)		
Infrastructure	Establish team based repository		
	Populate repository with team processes, procedures and reports		
Inventory & Usage	Develop processes for chargeback, upgrades, placement, replacement based on usage data		
AM Value Measures	Define and implement (scheduled) management report of savings & key metrics		
Business Process	Define & document AM processes consistent with team responsibilities		
	Populate repository		

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