Open Project Management from an "open" perspective

UNIT 5

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Lecture 22



Automation II and Related Topics

What was once automated is now taken for granted

Automobiles: automation of the horse-drawn vehicles (automation of horsepower).

- transmissions became automatic starting in the 1940s.
- information technology became predominant in the 1980s
 - automated mechanical automation and human work.

Word Processors: gradual automation of the physical aspects of writing and editing.

Up to the 1970s: streamlining workflow for typists (mechanical, electronic).

1980s onward: automation of the whole editing cycle (software).

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- increase cross-team collaborations, and eliminates the need for large teams.
- automate manual and repetitive tasks.
- improvements to design, software deployment, and monitoring software function.
- enables "fast" movement of development, reduced human error.

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Automation enables standardization. A tension between standardization and adaptability:

- standardization should easily adapt to both new requirements and technological changes.
- automation depends on external factors such as organizational needs and technological feasibility.



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Which things in your organization are most amenable to automation?

- Continuous Integration/Delivery (CI/CD).
- managing logs and data collection.
- monitoring and testing.
- infrastructure management.



How the open source development community can build more accessible software

https://about.gitlab.com/blog/2021/04/07/how-the-open-source-community-can-build-more-accessible-products/

Open-source comes from values: should be fully-inclusive.

"The more inclusive and diverse, the better the end product"

Inclusive design:

- intentionally consider and meet needs of different abilities and workflow preferences.
- anyone can contribute, and should be useful to everyone.

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6 reasons people with disabilities should use Linux: <u>https://opensource.com/life/15/4/6-reasons-people-disabilities-should-use-linux</u>

- reliable, durable, and can deal with obsolescence.
- full control and ownership.
- assistance from a large international community.

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Cosmetic: different UI/UX for different users.

Transparent: customization is not visible to the user.

Unit 5 Recap

Project Sustainability

Lifecycle and Sustainability

- hype cycles and the long term
 - project work in context
- maintenance vs. planning

Open-source Project Maintenance

- seasonal updates and maintenance
- best practices and dealing with conflict

Projects as a Series of Goals

- mentorship and involvement.
- developmental cycles and open-source.

Cycles of Working Open

- contribution models and working open for discovery.
- release and support cycles.
 - schedule models, issues and milestones.
- feature cycle management (from completion to death).

Software Lifecycles

- six formal software life cycle models
 - release lifecycle (Ubuntu example).
 - qualitative assessment of Demo or Die.
 - modernizing an old or aging project.

Evaluatory Methods

- Security and sustainability.
- open-source maturity models.
- User path analysis.

Automation I

- pros and cons of automation.
- origins of automation.
 - project Cybersyn (large-scale project automation).
 - seeing like a State (drawbacks of large-scale project automation).

Automation for Project Management (with ChatGPT)

- transformations by 2030.
- opportunities (what can automation do?)
- other benefits and robotic process automation.

Automation II and Related Topics

- automation taken for granted.
- automation in DevOps practice.
 - feasibility and practicality of automation.
- open-source and accessibility.
- four examples of mass customization.