POST IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS

OVERVIEW

- Measuring the effectiveness of testing.
- Two purposes:
 - 1. evaluates the performance of testers
 - 2. enables IT organization to modify its testing process.

CONCERNS

- To improve test process, the results of testing must be evaluated continually.
- Formal process and mgt support for the process needed for continuous improvement.

WORK BENCH

- Input : Test Results
- Do Tasks :
 - 1. Establish Assessment Objectives
 - 2. Identify what to measure
 - 3. Assign Measurement Responsibility
 - 4. Select approach to evaluation

WORK BENCH

- Do Tasks :
 - 5. Identify needed facts
 - 6. Collect evaluation data
 - 7. Assess Effectiveness of Testing
- Check: Analysis correct and reasonable
- Output : More Effective Testing

INPUT

- Number of tests conducted
- Resources used in testing
- Test tools used
- Defects uncovered
- Size of software tested
- Days to correct errors
- Defects not corrected

Establish Assessment Objectives

- Identify test weaknesses
- Identify the need for new test tools
- Assess project testing
- Identify good test practices
- Identify poor test practices
- Identify economical test practices

Identify what to measure

- Involvement
- Extent of testing
- Resources
- Effectiveness
- Assessment

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Select Evaluation Approach

- Judgement
- Compliance with methodology
- Problems after test
- User reaction
- Testing metrics

Identify Needed Facts

- Change characteristics
- Magnitude of system
- Cost of process b eing tested
- Cost of test
- Defects uncovered by testing, by phase and after test
- Cost of testing by phase
- System complaints
- Quantification of defects and correctness of defect
- Who conducted the test

Collect Evaluation Data

- Collection Mechanism
- Storage Mechanism
- Method to select and summarize the information
- Utility programs used wherever possible

Assess the Effectiveness of Testing

- Metrics assess testing by quantitatively showing the effectiveness of the test process.
- 34 testing metrics
- User participation
- Instructions coverage
- Number of tests
- Paths coverage
- Acceptance criteria tested

Assess the Effectiveness of Testing

- Test cost
- Cost to locate defect
- Achieving budget
- Detected production errors
- Defects uncovered in testing
- Requirements, Design, Program, Test,
 Installation and Maintenance phase testing
 effectiveness (test cost vs. No. of errors detected)

OUTPUT

Measurement/Action Approach used to improve the test process.

THANK YOU

