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Discovering the Value of IBM Rational Quality Manager

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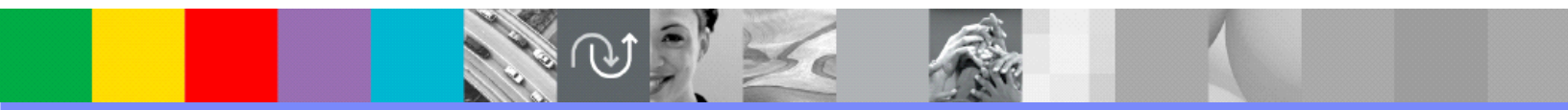

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Welcome to the Technical Exploration Center

- Introductions
- Access restrictions
- Restrooms
- Emergency Exits
- Smoking Policy
- Breakfast/Lunch/Snacks – location and times
- Special meal requirements?

Introductions

- Please introduce yourself
- Name and organization
- Current integration technologies/tools in use

What do you want out of this Exploration session?

Agenda

- Rational® Quality Manager Overview
- Test Management Overview
  - Lab 1: Test Management
- Test Planning Overview
  - Lab 2: Test Planning
- Test Creation Overview
  - Lab 3: Test Creation
- Test Execution Overview
  - Lab 4: Test Execution
- Reporting Overview
  - Lab 5: Reporting
- Lab 6 Impact Analysis of a Requirement Change
- Lab 7 Importing Requirements from Requisite Pro® (Optional)
- Lab 8: Running Rational Functional Tester (RFT) tests from Rational Quality Manager (Optional)

Objectives

- Demonstrate how Rational Quality Manager:
  - Mitigates business risk: Catch defects earlier and keep the team in synch with dynamic process and activity-based workflows
  - Improves operational efficiency: Automate labor-intensive lifecycle processes and determine optimal plans addressing wide range of platforms and requirements
  - Provides greater visibility of metrics: Make reliable decisions with constant access to prioritized metrics tailored for individuals and teams
  - Protect existing investments and deliver greater predictability: Adopt successful deployment patterns and map to operational Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), platforms and requirements

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Rational Quality Manager Overview

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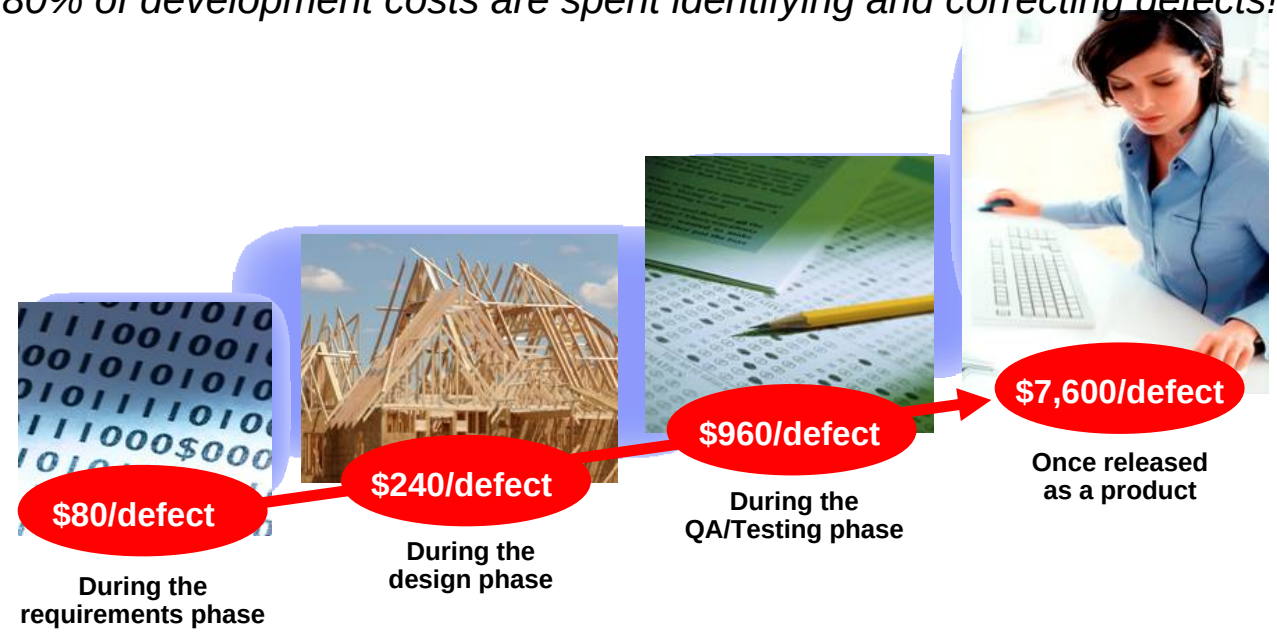
The increasing costs of fixing a defect

80% of development costs are spent identifying and correcting defects!



Source: GBS Industry standard study
Defect cost derived in assuming it takes 8 hrs to find, fix and repair a defect when found in code and unit test.
Defect FFR cost for other phases calculated by using the multiplier on a blended rate of $80/hr.

Process-led Automation yields real savings

Examples of automation capabilities

	Developing repeatable industry test solutions			Advanced Defect Analysis	Developing repeated test process models applicable to future projects		Integrating end to end processes	
Asset	Test cases copied	Manual scripts copied	Manual scripts Reuse	Prevent and Block duplicate Defects	Baseline & migrate documentation	Baseline artifacts	Leveraging component Reuse	Dynamic updates of test assets
Quantity	290	296	1,178	765	1,154	1,711	870	1,883
Hours saved	141	148	589	Discovery in 4 Hr 1,484	577	855	435	470
Value	$11, 600	$11,850	$47,000	$857,000	$46,200	$68,000	$34,800	$37,700

Source: GBS Test Practices study over 855 projects

Average per project saving with automation and collaboration best practices calculated on a per asset task and process savings

Estimated hours saved per project: 4700 hours

IBM® Rational raises the bar for Quality management

Scenarios that show the difference

Mitigate Business Risk

Collaborate

Collaborative, continuous, and comprehensive information sharing reduces defects, improves handoff and increases customer satisfaction

Improve Operational Efficiency

Automate

Automating labor-intensive activities reduces time-to-market and increases predictability and consistency to improve return on investment

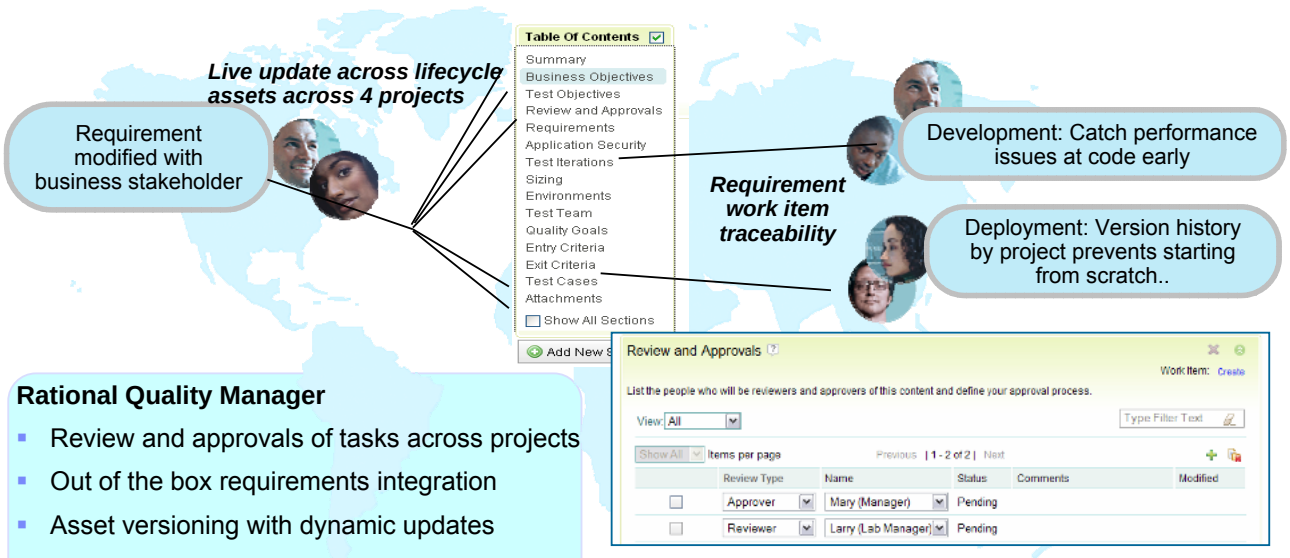
Make confident decisions

Report

Moment by moment understanding of software quality metrics for immediate corrective action and release decisions addressing both business and IT needs

Mitigate business risk in an environment of constant change

What is needed: Comprehensive quality impact analysis beyond walls of QA with lifecycle collaboration and process orchestration



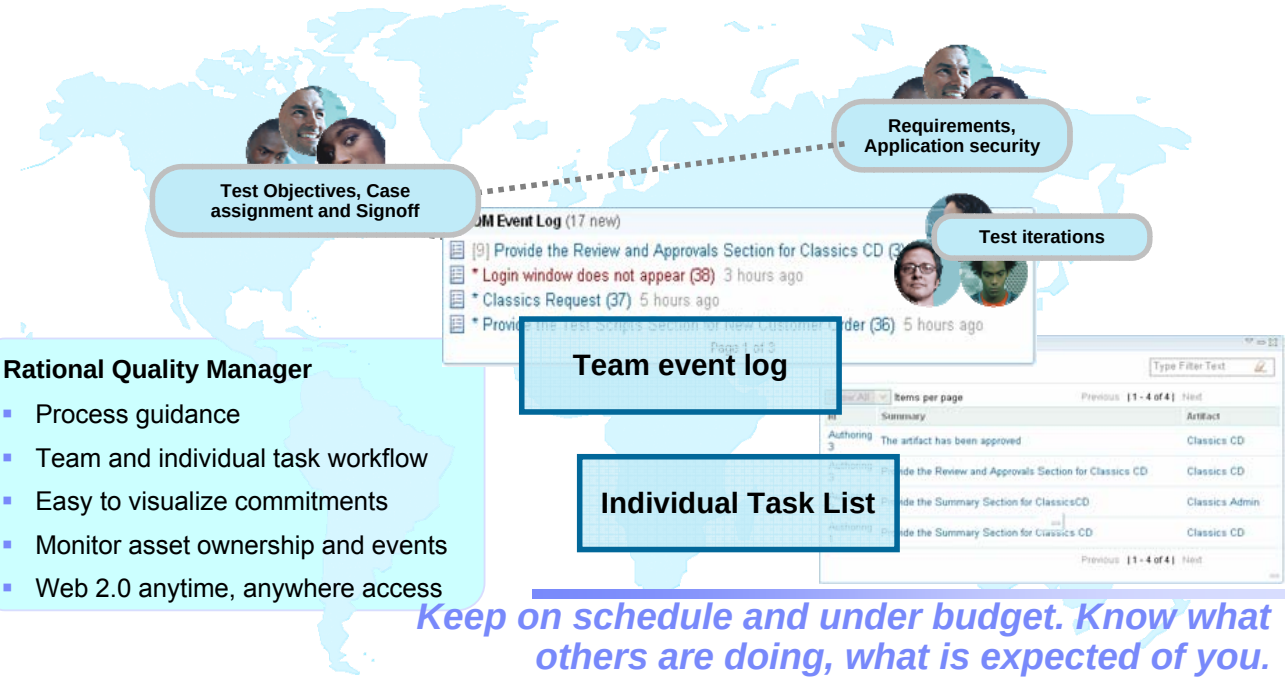
Rational Quality Manager

- Review and approvals of tasks across projects
- Out of the box requirements integration
- Asset versioning with dynamic updates
- Advanced defect analysis prevents duplicates
- Upstream quality- Static code analysis

Comprehensive risk mitigation and reduced rework cost by $900/defect

Improve operational efficiency

What is needed: Team awareness of activities, clear ownership and simpler on-boarding



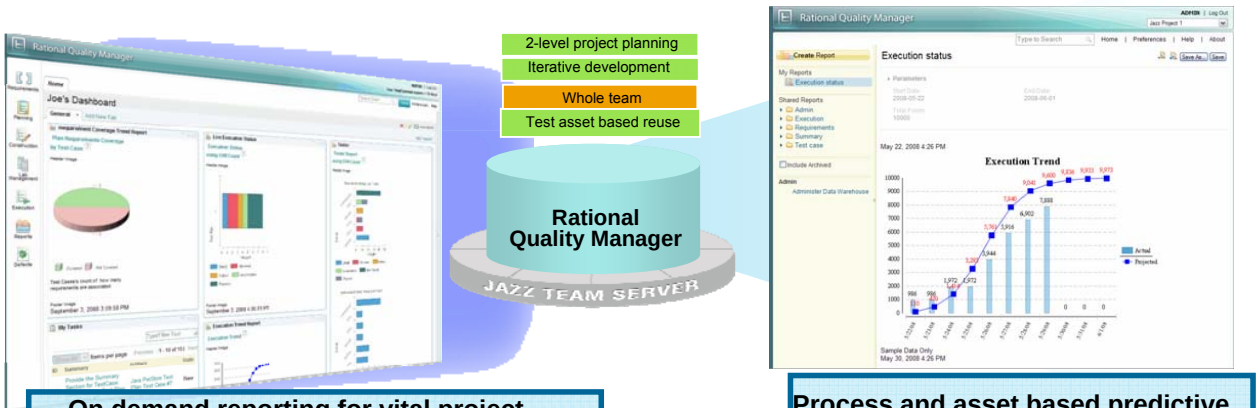
Rational Quality Manager

- Process guidance
- Team and individual task workflow
- Easy to visualize commitments
- Monitor asset ownership and events
- Web 2.0 anytime, anywhere access

Keep on schedule and under budget. Know what others are doing, what is expected of you.

Make confident decisions

What is needed: Always current metrics tailored by role for the right stage coupled with trends, best practices and proven assets to accelerate decision making

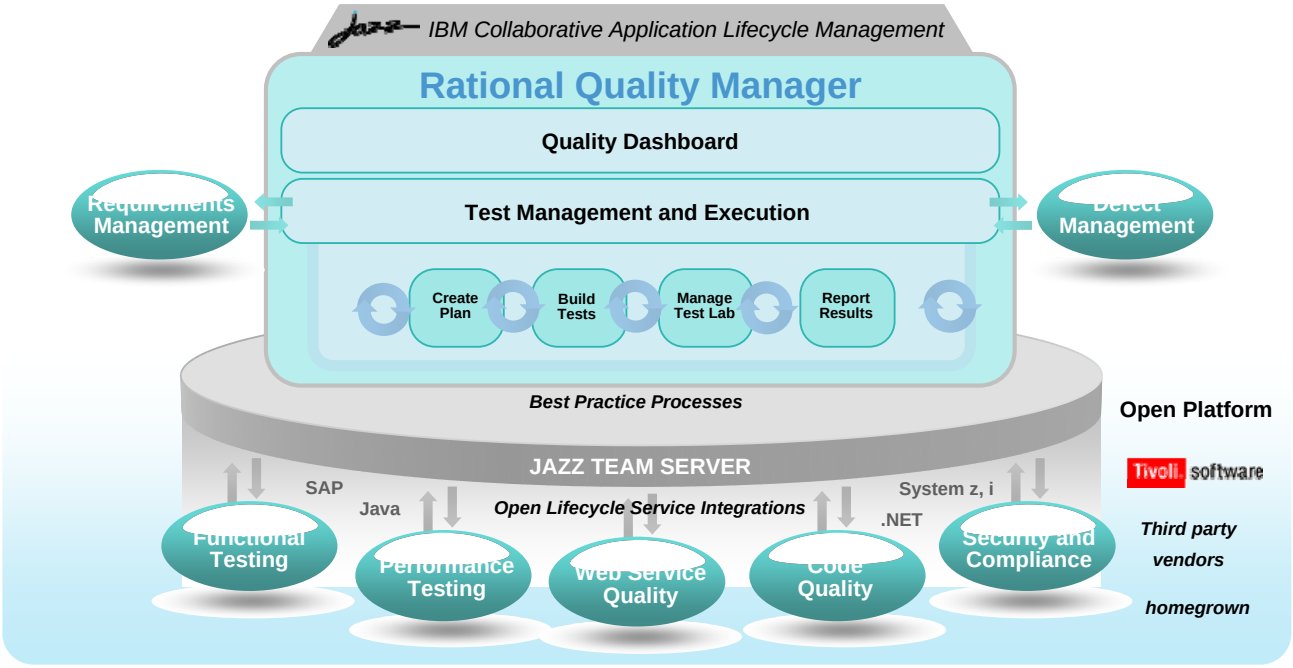


On demand reporting for vital project information customizable by role

Process and asset based predictive analytics

Project 95% confidence on coverage and cycle completion

Centralized test management offering allowing full lifecycle support across all types of testing and platforms



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Lab #1

Test Management

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Collaboration to synchronize team efficiency
People, not organizations, make great software

Promoting team synergy

- ✓ Clearly define roles and responsibilities
- ✓ Manage team activities with customized interface
- ✓ Create dynamic test plans
- ✓ Communicate project status efficiently

Up to date work progress information

Task management for individual and team

Challenge: Assigning and coordinating test plan ownership and events across distributed teams

Solution: Visualize commitments, reduce rework, track tasks and monitor events

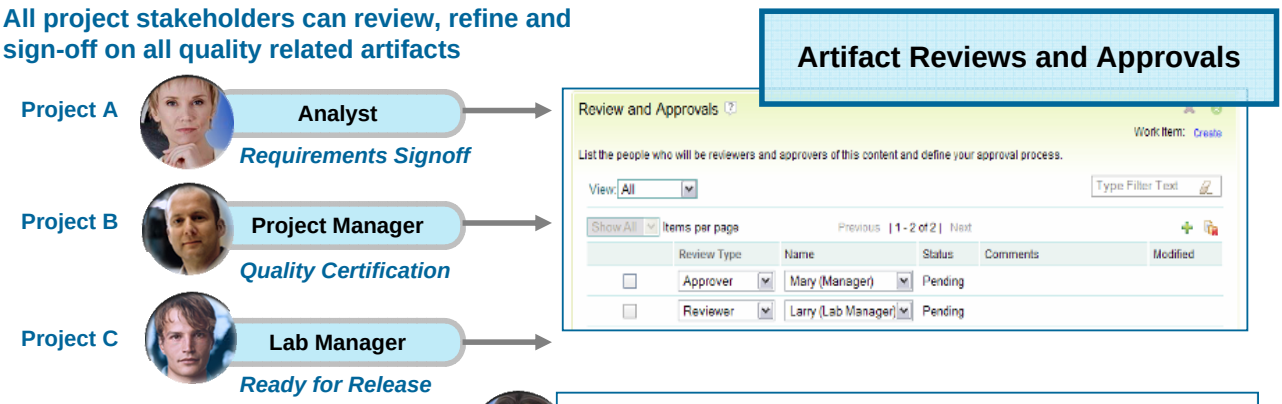
Know what others are doing, know what others expect from you

Proof of process

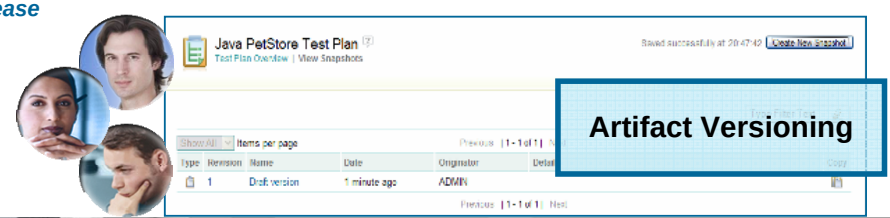
Challenge: Centralized QA team works with multiple stakeholders across lines of business

Solution: Keeping version history and managing approval process at different phases

All project stakeholders can review, refine and sign-off on all quality related artifacts



QA team maintains accurate project history with detailed artifact versioning



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Test Planning

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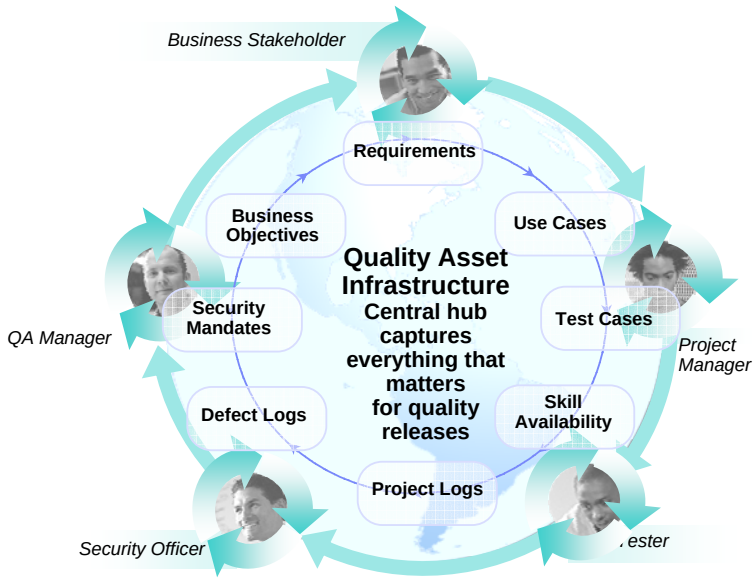
A quality contract for the entire software delivery team

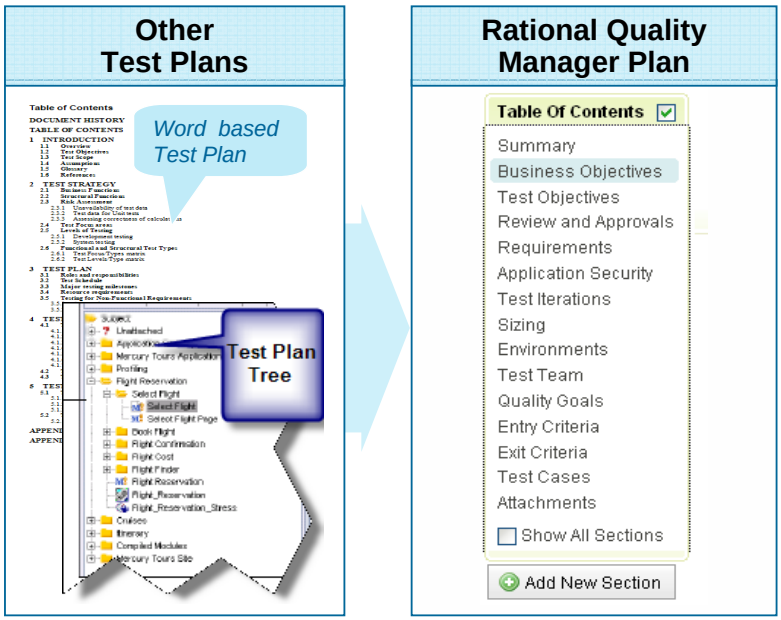
Comprehensive rich test plan



- **Collect and track all test data**
  - Central location for business objectives requirements, resources, platform and exit criteria to name a few
- **Defined Responsibilities**
  - Individual sections are assigned to team members to clearly establish ownership
- **Goal Oriented**
  - Formalized and documented exit criteria
- **Extensible**
  - Add sections, import custom data
- **Keep track of changes**
  - Snapshot version control to track plan history throughout the life of the project

Comprehensive dynamic planning and updates

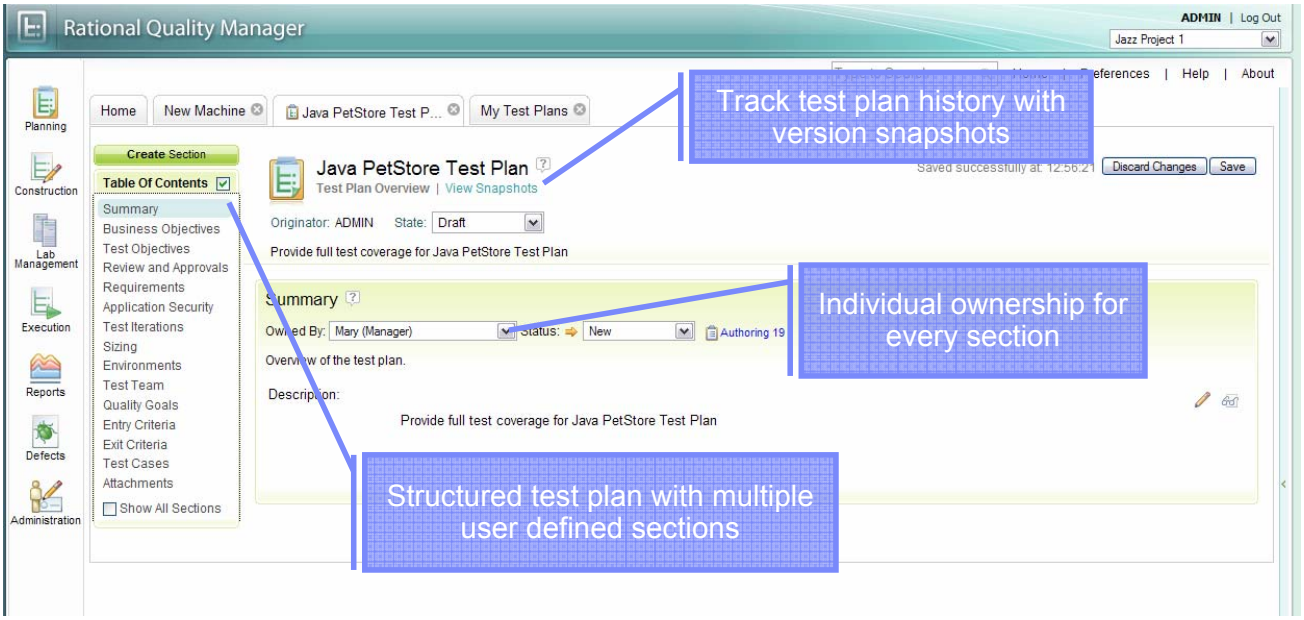
Process flow, not artifacts drives team activities



- ✓ Live dynamic documentation
- ✓ Defines test process and strategy
- ✓ Defines responsibilities
- ✓ Activity based versus hierarchy
- ✓ Business level reporting against quality objectives

Collaborative and adaptive test plan management

Test plans that are easy to create and evolve with our projects



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Test Creation

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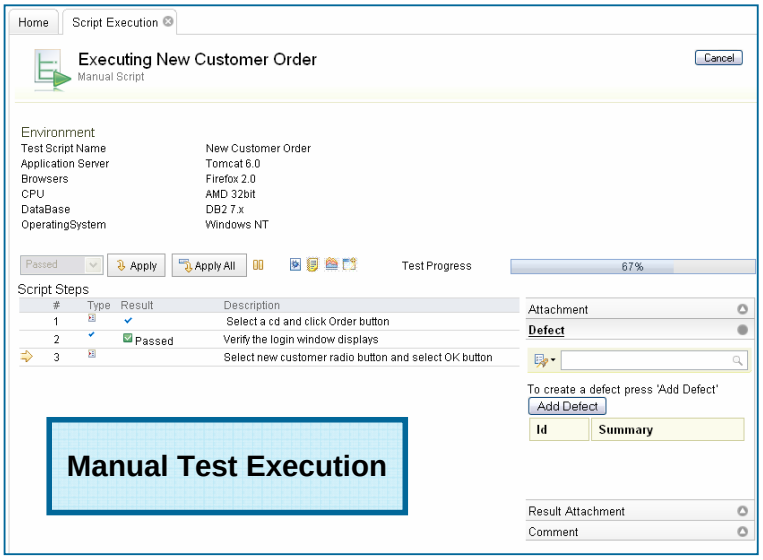
Automate to accelerate test creation and execution

Quality at the speed of business

- Run manual and automated test execution for rapid quality cycles
- Enact test coverage optimization
- Streamline test lab management

Integrated manual test authoring and execution

Track execution results and defects from manual test efforts



Manual test author and execute

- Step by step capture and execution of manual tests
- Keyword support for integrated manual and automated testing
- Rich defect capture during execution, including screenshot and attachments
- Simple intuitive interface for quick test execution

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Test Execution

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Configuration aware testing

Test the right cases instead of everything. Plan optimal execution

800 Total Combinations

10 different CPU Types

DB2®
Oracle®
MySql®
Derby

Windows® XP
Win XP SP2
Win Vista
SLES 10
Win 2003

Less than 20 Combinations

OS	Browser	Protocol	CPU	DBMS
XP	IE	IPv4	Intel	MySQL
XP	Firefox	IPv6	AMD	Sybase
XP	IE	IPv6	Intel	Oracle
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Configuration awareness

Plan for test execution across all of your target environments

IBM Rational Test Lab Manager

Save 30-40% test time with integrated test lab management

Lab Management

Manage

Verify that I have the resources required to fulfill my test plan

Deploy

Deliver the configurations my teams require for test

Optimize

Analyze patterns to minimize cost and maximize utilization

QA Teams spend more than 36% of their time configuring machines to make them ready for testing – IBM Survey

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Test Reporting

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On demand reporting for instant project status

Moment by moment grasp of project information for decision making

- ✓ Measure progress with extensive query, reporting facilities and dashboard
- ✓ Address needs of QA and stakeholders

Reduce risk with constant access to quality metrics

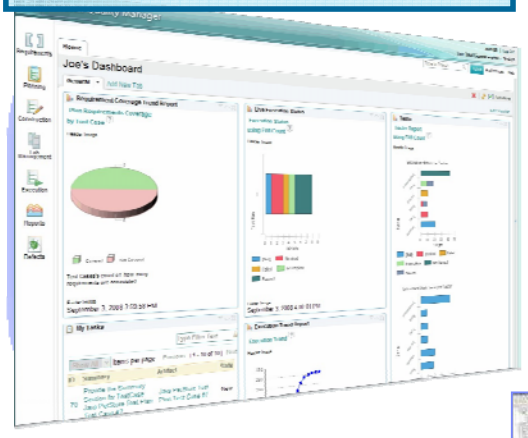
Lifecycle quality perspective to proactively manage risk

Manual and functional test automation results available

Performance risks are always visible and quickly resolved

Security risks are monitored continuously to ensure business continuity

Quality Manager Dashboard



Testing of requirements can be tracked to assure business needs are realized

Change management and defect tracking fully integrated to assure all changes to production are tested

On demand reporting

Snapshot views of project status from multiple perspectives

Customizable reporting enables sharing and communication of vital project information

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Requirements Coverage and Impact Analysis

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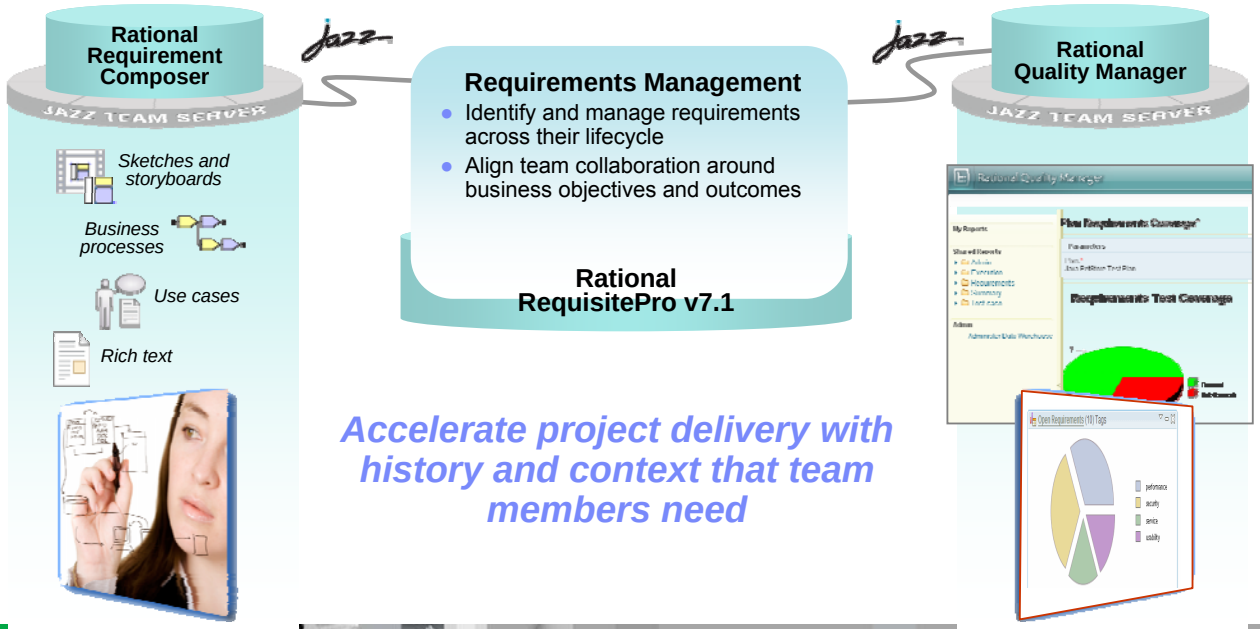
Traceable requirements definition and management

Challenge: Managing a shared understanding of requirements, business and delivery risks

Solution: Reduce rework, focus meetings, and reuse requirements artifacts on future projects



Accelerate project delivery with history and context that team members need

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Importing Requirements from Requisite Pro

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Executing Rational Functional Tests from RQM

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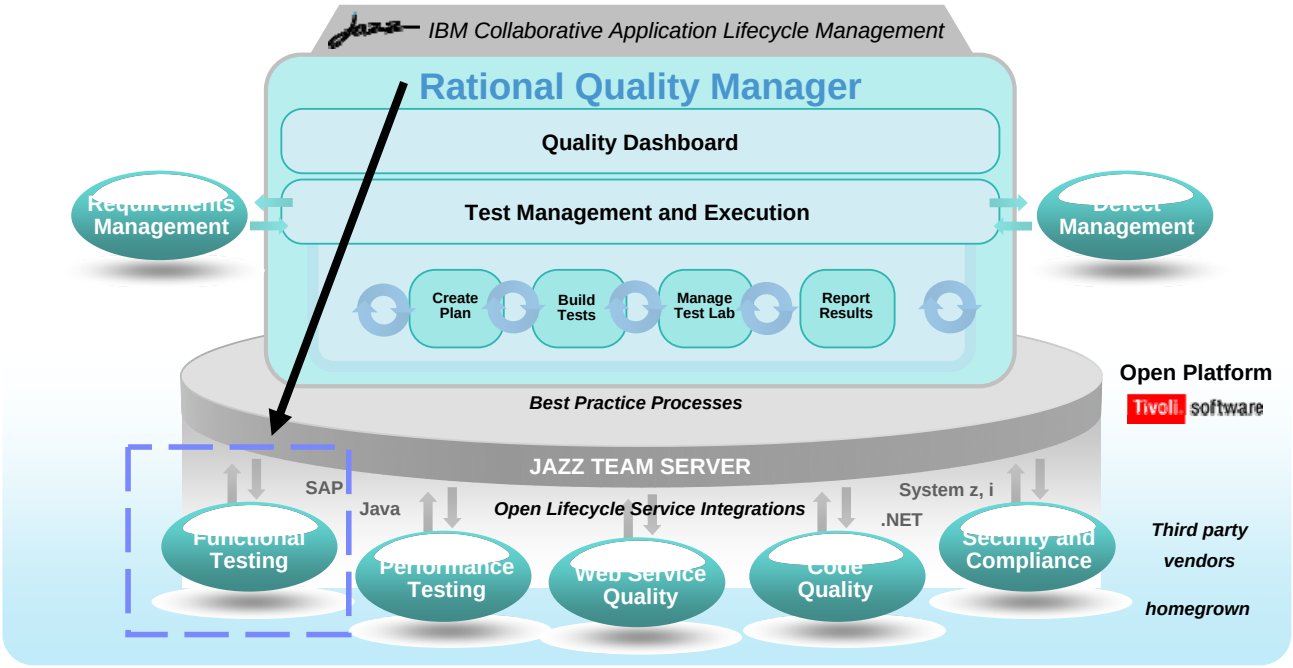
Execution of RFT Tests from Rational Quality Manager

Ability to execute Rational Performance Tester (RPT), Web Service Tests, Security Tests, etc



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Session summary

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A central hub for business-driven software quality

Delivering innovation into the hands of quality professionals

Mitigate business risk and reduce cost by catching quality issues early

- ✓ **Stakeholder and team coordination**
  Fewer meetings, less rework using a dynamic test plan
- ✓ **Automated process workflow**
  Reduce labor-intensive tasks, improve cycle time
- ✓ **Upstream and downstream quality**
  Enforce standards at coding and deployment

Improve operational efficiency and accelerate time to market

- ✓ **Lab efficiency and asset utilization**
  Save 30-40% testing time overall
- ✓ **Test coverage optimization across environments**
  95% confidence on optimal coverage
- ✓ **Industry leading environment and lifecycle coverage**
  System z®, System i®, SAP® and .Net

Make confident decisions with effortless reporting

- ✓ **Ongoing process improvement and analytics**
  Version history and trending within and across projects
- ✓ **Proactive risk management and decision-making**
  Automated, filtered and prioritized reporting
- ✓ **Protect existing investments, deliver greater predictability**
  Adopt successful deployment patterns, map to operational KPIs

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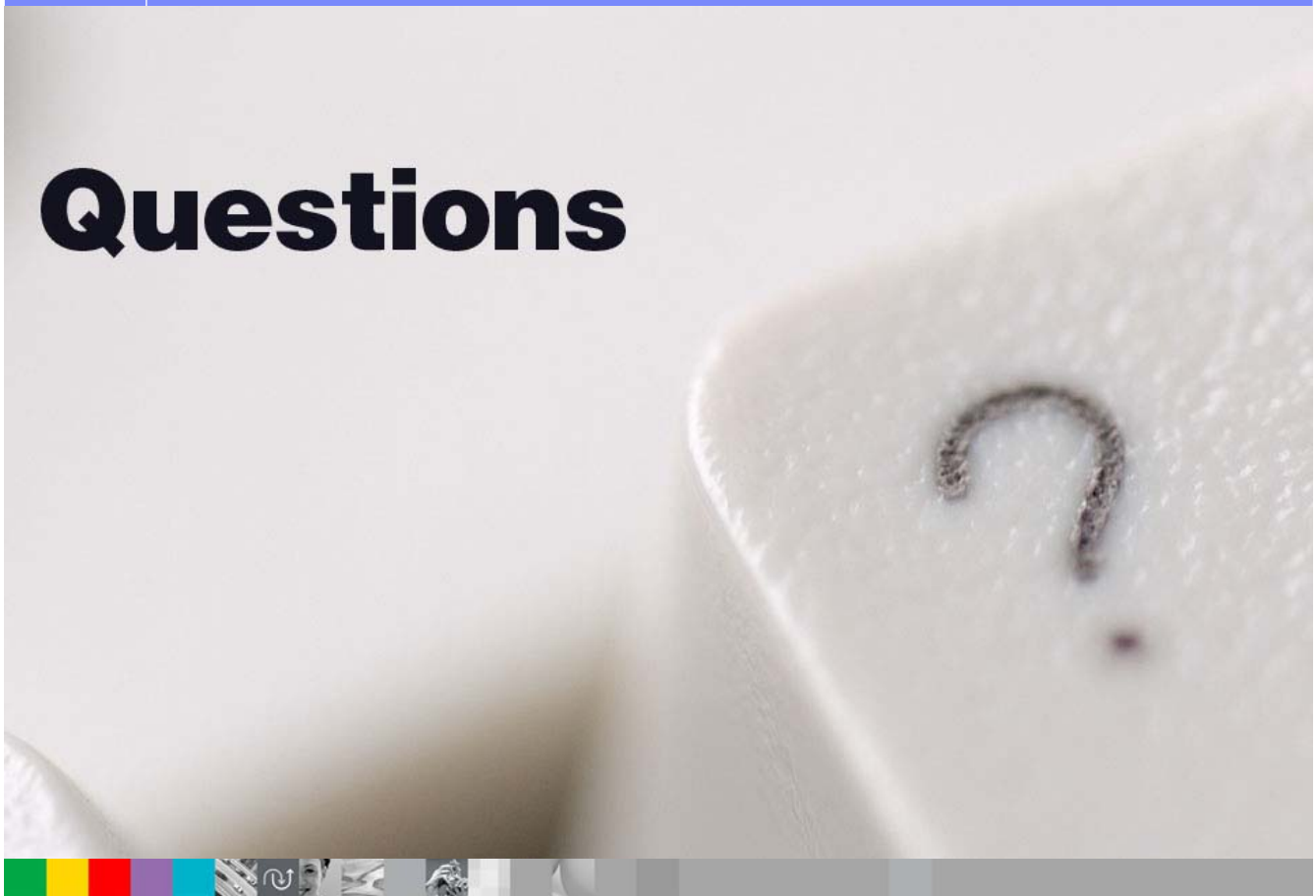

Additional resources

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- Learning resources - Webcasts/Telcons/Podcasts.
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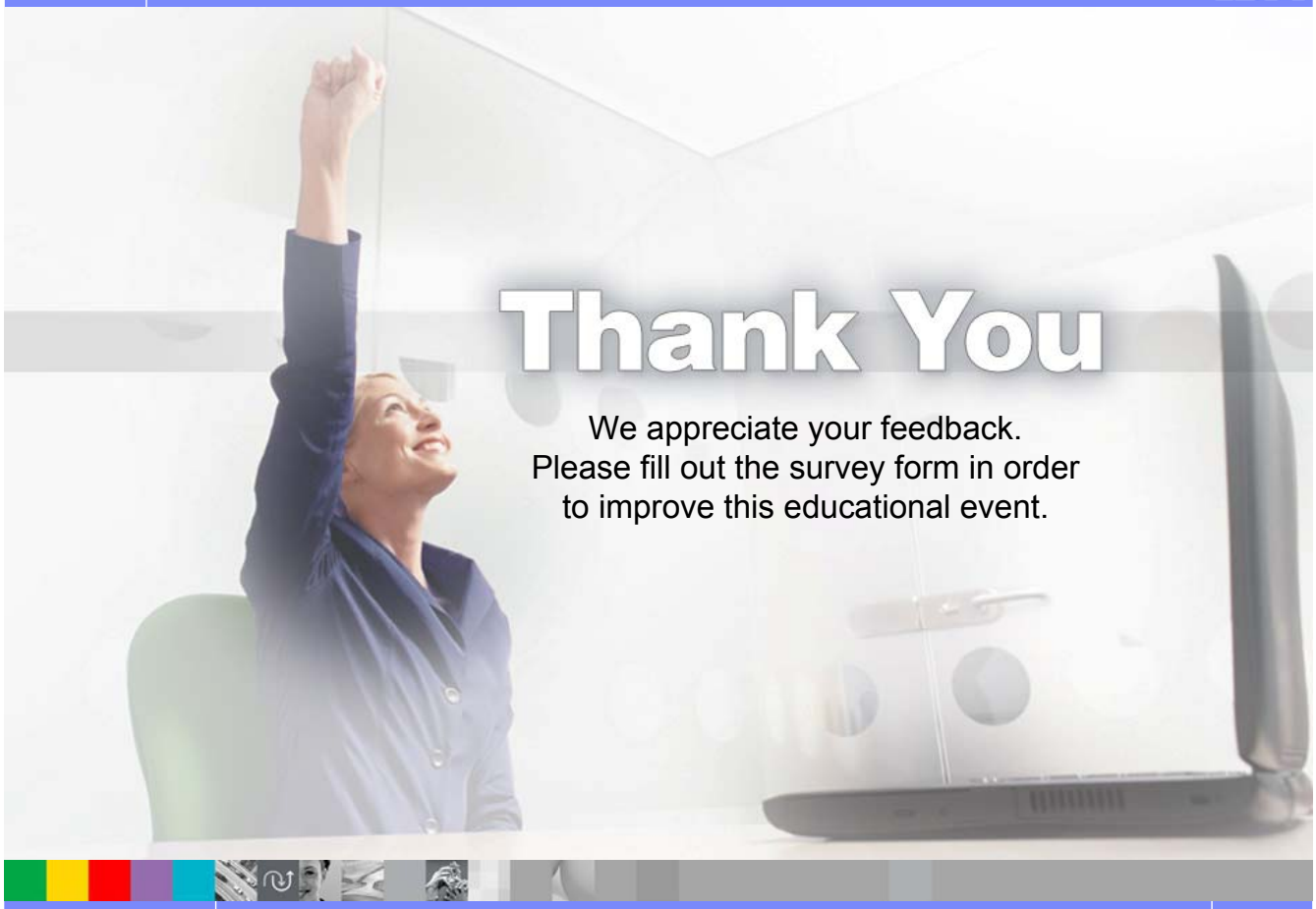

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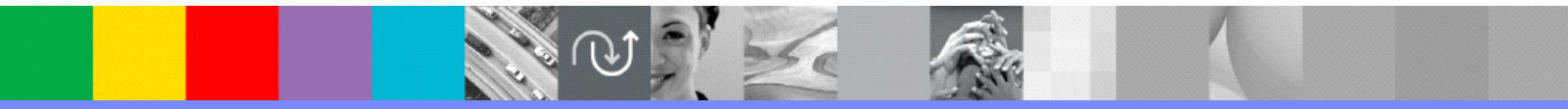

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