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# Prioritization Techniques

Generally when people move to agile they need to rethink their approach to scheduling / prioritization of work. Traditional approaches are either very heavy weight, requiring a lot of upfront analysis where assumptions build on top of assumptions, or they use a more HiPPO (highest paid persons opinion) approach.

We would like to make the discussion a little more “economic” and use approaches that make sense given the scale of the discussion and the level of information we have available (and could possibly generate). Some ideas:

- On better backlog prioritization (The goal is to use the technique that is appropriate for the level of impact if wrong): <https://t.co/vC2a1cvJUX>
- Real meaning of WSJF from Don Rienertsen: <http://blackswanfarming.com/wsjf-weighted-shortest-job-first/> (SAFe WSJF is an approach to doing the real version)
- Critique of SAFe’s WSJF: <http://blackswanfarming.com/safe-and-weighted-shortest-job-first-wsjf/>
- Qualitative approach to WSJF: <http://blackswanfarming.com/qualitative-cost-delay/>
- Suggested improvement to SAFe’s WSJF: <http://blackswanfarming.com/safes-cost-of-delay-a-suggested-improvement/>

## Related Tags

- [How Do I Facilitate a Prioritization Meeting?](#) 2018/07/23 15:52 Hans Samios
  - [How Do We Calculate the Cost of Delay \(CoD\) and the Weighed Shortest Job First \(WSJF\)?](#) 2023/03/15 10:49 Hans Samios
  - [Prioritization Techniques](#) 2016/11/15 19:19 Hans Samios
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