Open Source Product Development

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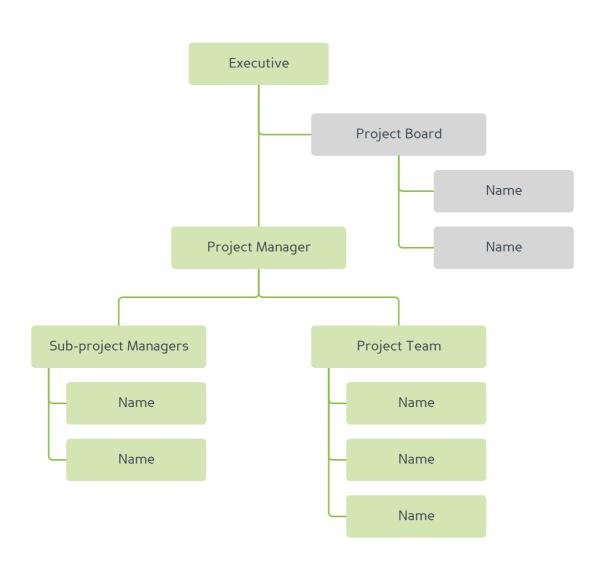






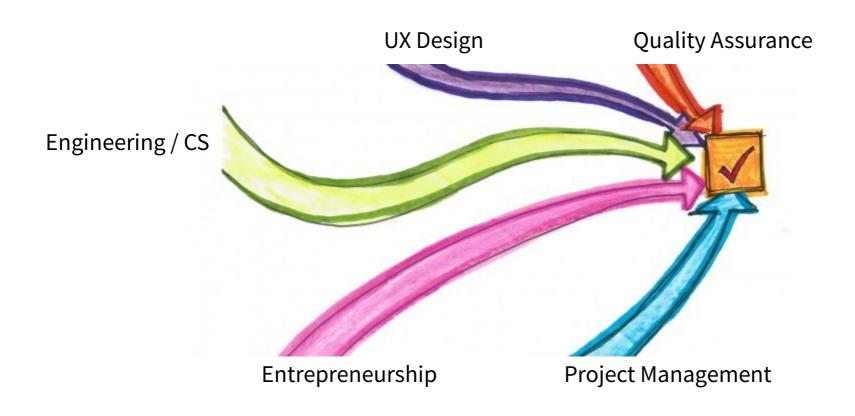
Managers: people who tell other people what to do





Product management: how you get there









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Why do engineers need product managers?





Who needs managers? Creating value is hard





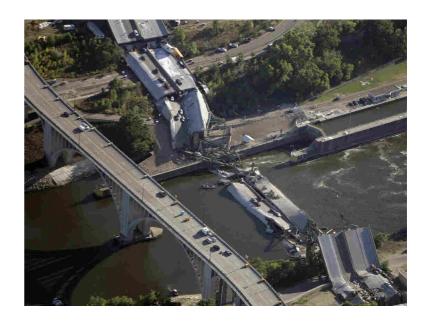






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Who needs managers? Creating value is risky and expensive





Who needs managers? Technical CEOs suck





What's a Product?



"A good or service that most closely meets the requirements of a <u>particular market</u> and yields enough <u>profit</u> to justify its continued existence"

- 1.Produced
- 2. Distributed
- 3. Designed to be used / consumed
- 4. It's not (primarily) for you
- 5. Probably for many people

What's a product? Fred Brooks – 1975



"Works for me"

Program

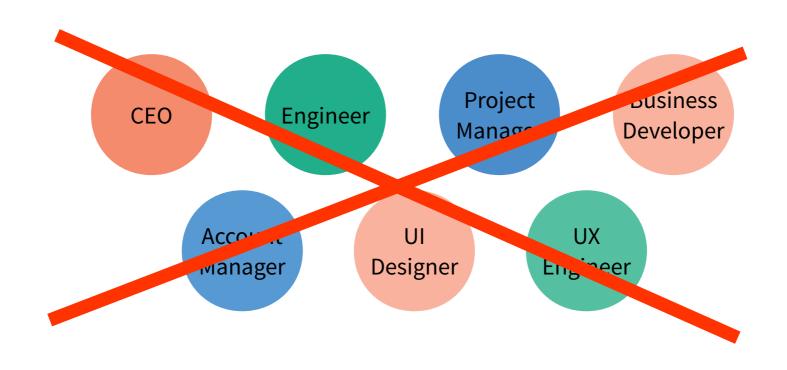
Programming system (interfaces, system integration

Programming product (Generalisation, testing, documentation, maintenance)

Programming system product

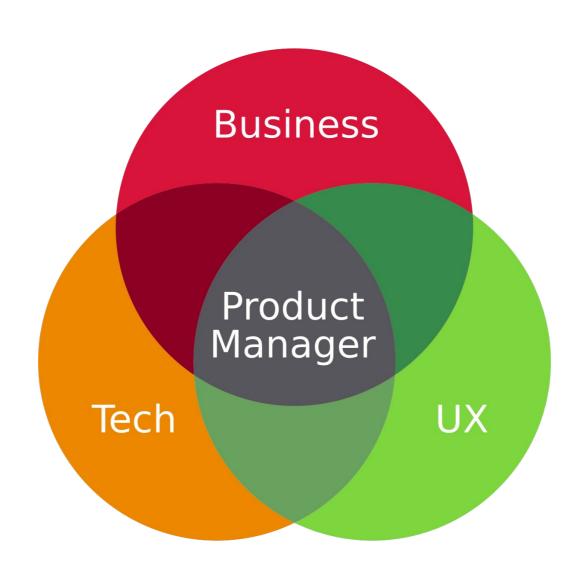
"Works for everyone"





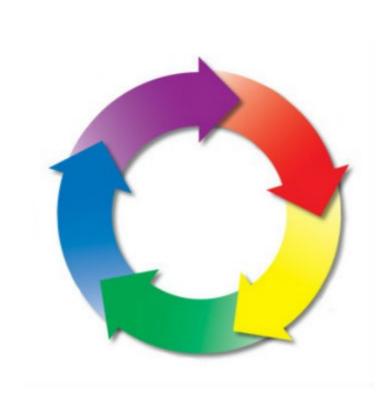
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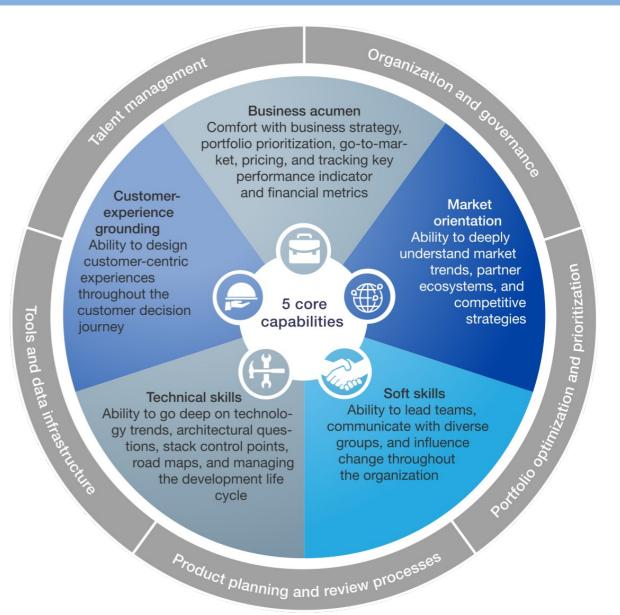




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The 5 core capabilities of a Product Manager, and their "enablers", according to McKinsey



McKinsey&Company

What's a Product Manager? "Healthy tension"

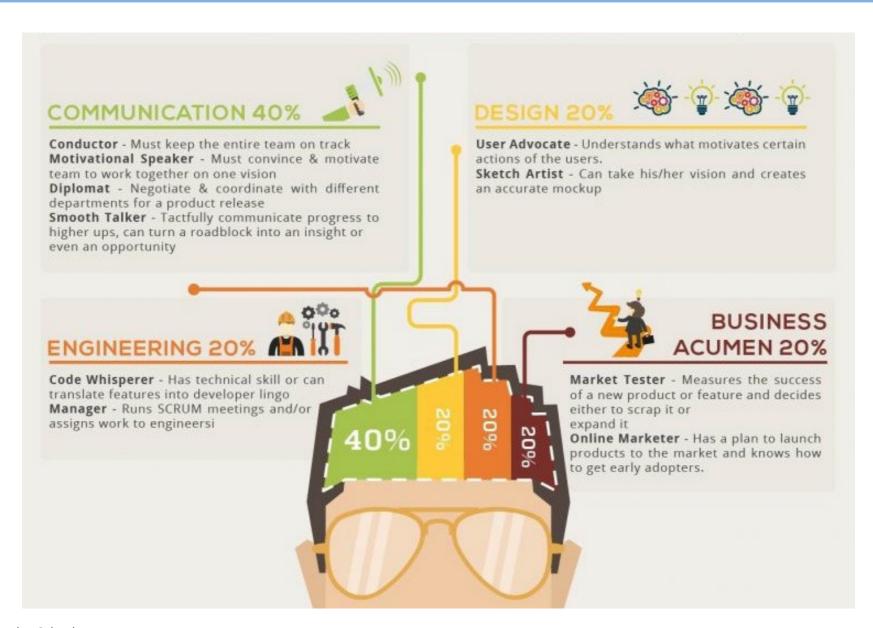






What's a Product Manager? Day to day 2





Some common management activities



- User research
- User story writing
- Sprint & backlog management
- Acceptance testing
- Data warehousing
- Workflow mapping

Some common management activities: applications



- User research
 - LimeSurvey
 - OBS Studio
- User story writing
 - Gherkin
- Alva
- Behat
- Sprint & backlog management
 - Taiga
- Restya
- WeKan
 Mantis
- Acceptance testing
 - Kiwi TCMS
 - TestLink
- Data warehousing
 - Matomo
- Wasabi
- Open Web Analytics
- Workflow mapping
 - Pencil
 - LibreOffice Draw

phpList product management workflow



- User research
- LimeSurvey
- Data warehousing
- Piwik
- User story writing + testing
- Gherkin
- Behat + Webdriver + Selenium + Libraries
- Travis
- Workflow mapping
- LibreOffice Draw
- Sprint & backlog management
- Mantis
- LibreOffice Online

Thank you















Further reading

- Book: Marty Cagan
- Training:Scrum Product Owner
- Events:
 - 'The Product'
 - Product Camp
 - Mind the Product
- Design community: https://opensourcedesign.net