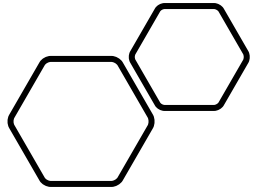




Predictability

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Why Predictability



BETTER BUDGETS



**MORE
TRUSTWORTHINESS**



MORE RELIABILITY



Think of this Story

Two trains (D & F) leave station A going to station Z at the same time daily

Both trains leave with 90 passengers

Train D arrives at Station Z 30 minutes later with 90 passengers every day

Train F arrives at station Z sometimes 45 minutes later, sometimes 1 hour later and never has the same 90 passengers it leaves with

If you need the train, which train would you try to be on daily, and why?

Predictability & SAFe



SAFe



Agile Teams



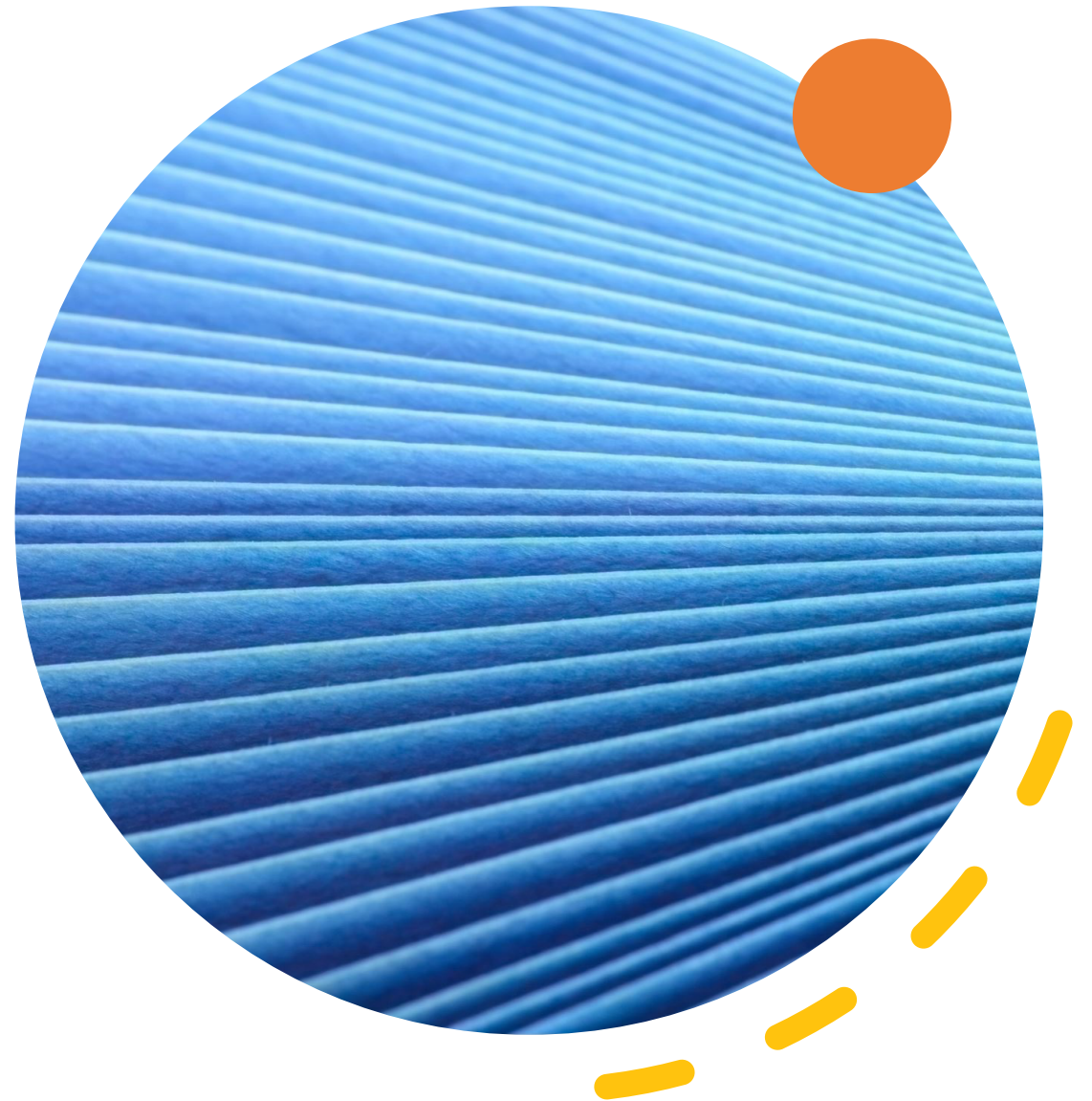
Program
Increment



Predictability



ARTS




The Relationship

- Scaled Agile Framework (SAFe)
- Consists of Agile Release Trains (ARTS)
- That has Agile Teams
- That execute Program Increments (PI)
- And strive to be Predictable





Why SAFe Cares About Predictability

- Business Value to be derived from PI
 - What return will I get on my investment (ROI)?
 - Should I approve this budget?
 - How should I prioritize the work?
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Summary

ARTs should strive to be more predictable

Predictability increases reliability, trustworthiness, and overall efficiency

If you owned the budget for train D in our story earlier, you could tell almost to the penny your monthly operating cost

If you owned the budget for train F however, your budget would have significant variances

Management can make better long-term plans if you consistently deliver on your commitments

