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Abstrak

Keperluan perniagaan untuk projek pembangunan perisian adalah tidak menentu dan memerlukan penambahbaikan secara berterusan. Oleh yang demikian, kaedah tangkas menjadi semakin popular kerana ia menyokong perubahan keperluan semasa pembangunan perisian tangkas (ASD). Walau bagaimanapun, model sedia ada hanya memberi tumpuan kepada perubahan keperluan fungsian yang tidak mencukupi untuk mencapai kemampanan dan menyokong proses perubahan keperluan. Oleh itu, kajian ini mencadangkan sebuah Model Pengurusan Perubahan Keperluan Tangkas (ARCM) yang dipertingkatkan di mana ia menyediakan sokongan yang lebih baik terhadap perubahan keperluan bukan-fungsian dalam ASD bagi mencapai kemampanan perisian. Kajian ini dilaksanakan dalam empat fasa. Fasa pertama adalah kajian teori yang mengkaji isu dan amalan penting bagi perubahan keperluan dalam ASD. Seterusnya, dalam fasa kedua, kajian penerokaan telah dijalankan untuk menyiasat amalan semasa bagi perubahan keperluan dalam ASD. Kajian ini melibatkan 137 pengamal perisian dari Pakistan. Manakala dalam fasa ketiga, dapatan daripada fasa sebelumnya telah digunakan untuk membina model ARCM. Model ini dibina dengan mengadaptasi kaedah rancang-buat-semak-tindakan (PDCA) yang terdiri daripada 4 fasa. Setiap fasa ini menyediakan matlamat, proses, aktiviti dan amalan yang jelas. Akhirnya, model ini telah dinilai menggunakan pendekatan ulasan pakar dan kajian kes. Seramai enam pakar telah terlibat untuk menentusahkan model ini dan dua kajian kes yang melibatkan dua syarikat perisian di Pakistan telah dijalankan untuk mengesahkan kebolehgunaan model cadangan. Kajian ini mencadangkan model ARCM yang terdiri daripada tiga komponen utama: ciri kemampanan bagi mengendalikan keperluan bukan-fungsian, kaedah analisis kemampanan untuk melaksanakan analisis kesan dan risiko dan, mekanisma penaksiran ARCM menggunakan kaedah metrik matlamat soalan (GQM). Keputusan penilaian menunjukkan bahawa Model ARCM mendapat kepuasan di kalangan pengamal perisian dan mampu dilaksanakan dalam persekitaran sebenar. Dari perspektif teori, kajian ini telah memperkenalkan Model ARCM yang menyumbang kepada bidang Pengurusan Keperluan Tangkas, serta penemuan empirikal yang menjurus kepada isuisu semasa, cabaran dan amalan RCM. Selain itu, model ARCM menyediakan penyelesaian untuk mengendalikan perubahan keperluan bukan-fungsian dalam ASD. Oleh itu, penemuan ini memberi manfaat kepada pengamal perisian Tangkas dan juga penyelidik bagi memastikan kemampanan perisian dipenuhi yang seterusnya membantu syarikat dalam meningkatkan nilai serahan perisian.

Katakunci: Pembangunan perisian tangkas, Model Pengurusan Perubahan Keperluan Tangkas, Keperluan bukan-fungsian, Analisis kemampanan, Ciri kemampanan.

Abstract

Business requirements for software development projects are volatile and continuously need improvement. Hence, popularity of Agile methodology increases as it welcomes requirement changes during the Agile Software Development (ASD). However, existing models merely focus on change of functional requirements that are not adequate to achieve software sustainability and support change requirement processes. Therefore, this study proposes an improved Agile Requirement Change Management (ARCM) Model which provides a better support of non-functional requirement changes in ASD for achieving software sustainability. This study was carried out in four phases. Phase one is a theoretical study that examined the important issues and practices of requirement change in ASD. Then, in phase two, an exploratory study was conducted to investigate current practices of requirement changes in ASD. The study involved 137 software practitioners from Pakistan. While in phase three, the findings from the previous phases were used to construct the ARCM model. The model was constructed by adapting Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) method which consists of four 4 stages. Every stage provides well-defined aims, processes, activities, and practices. Finally, the model was evaluated by using expert review and case study approaches. There were six experts involved to verify the model and two case studies which involved two software companies from Pakistan were carried out to validate the applicability of the proposed model. The study proposes the ARCM model that consists of three main components: sustainability characteristics for handling non-functional requirements, sustainability analysis method for performing impact and risk analysis and assessment mechanism of ARCM using Goal Question Metrics (GQM) method. The evaluation result shown that the ARCM Model gained software practitioners' satisfaction and able to be executed in a real environment. From the theoretical perspective, this study introduces the ARCM Model that contributed to the field of Agile Requirement Management, as well as the empirical findings that focused on the current issues, challenges and practices of RCM. Moreover, the ARCM model provides a solution for handling the nonfunctional requirements changes in ASD. Consequently, these findings are beneficial to Agile software practitioners and researchers to ensure the software sustainability are fulfilled hence empowers the companies to improve their value delivery.

Keywords: Agile software development, Agile Requirement Change Management Model, Non-functional requirement, Sustainability analysis, Sustainability characteristics.

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List of Abbreviations

AHP	Analytic Hierarchy Process
AM	Agile Modelling
APM	Agile Project Management
ARCM	Agile Requirement Change Management
ARE	Agile Requirement Engineering
ASD	Agile Software Development
BST	Binary Search Tree
CCB	Change Control Board
CHAM	Change Analysis And Management
CMQF	Change Management Quality Factors
SCF	Critical Success Factor
CV	Cumulative Voting
FR	Functional Requirement
GSD	Global Software Development
JAD	Joint Application Design
NFR	Non Functional Requirement
NRM	Need-Based Requirements Management
PEOU	Perceived Ease of Use
PU	Perceived Usefulness
PG	Planning Game
PO	Product Owner
PM	Project Manager
QA	Quality Assurance ersiti Utara Malaysia
QFD	Quality Function Deployment
RC	Requirement Change
RCM	Requirement Change Management
RE	Requirement Engineering
RM	Requirement Management
RO	Research Objective
RP	Requirement Prioritization
RQ	Research Question
SCM	Software Configuration Management
SDLC	Software Development Life Cycle
SME	Small Medium Enterprise
SPSS	Software Package For Social Sciences
SWOT	Strength, Weakness, Opportunity and Threats
TAM	Technology Acceptance Model
V & V	Verification And Validation
VOP	Value-Oriented Prioritization

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview

This research investigates the challenges faced by Agile Software Development (ASD) practitioners in managing continuous change of requirements specifically dealing with sustainability characteristics as Non-Functional Requirement (NFR). This chapter describe an introduction to the study which begins with the background of the study and problem statement. Afterwards, research questions are formulated that is the basis to develop the objectives of the study. Finally, this chapter presents the scope as well as the significance of the research which follows the overview of the remaining chapters of this proposal.

1.2 Background of the Study

Due to changing business landscape and competitive business strategies, organizations are considering the ways to meet their changing business needs through rapid technology implementations. Keeping the business benefits in view, the fast paced and ever changing business requirements has led organizations to consider Agile methodology as alternatives to traditional approaches (Deloitte, 2010; Harb, Noteboom, & Sarnikar, 2015; Hsu & Lin, 2018; Mills, Berthon, & Pitt, 2018). Since the publication of the Agile Manifesto in 2001, ASD has gained significant adoption (Kent Beck et al., 2001). Indeed, ASD has become the default way of building and integrating software solutions. Several studies have been conducted to investigate the current practice of Agile methodology and depicted that Agile is helping organizations around the world in producing high quality software (Shafinah, Fauziah, & Deraman, 2014; Wagner, Fernández, Felderer, & Kalinowski, 2017). Furthermore,

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Appendix A

The Objective and Sources for Instrument Development

	SECTION I. Demographic Information					
Objectives	Variables	Questions	Contents	Sources		
To assess the qualification of	Respondent	1	Position in company	Shafinah (2015)		
respondents	details	2	Years of experience in Software Development	Shafinah (2015)		
To study the organizational background	Organization details	3	Sector of organization	Fernández et al. (2017)		
To investigate the respondents	Agile	4	Agile experience	Shafinah (2015)		
basic knowledge about Agile	Knowledge	5	Agile team member number	Shafinah (2015)		
	and Experience	6	Agile methodologies	VersionOne (2010)		

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SECTION	SECTION II. Agile Requirement Engineering and Agile RCM Issues and Challenges						
Objectives	Variables	Questions	Contents	Sources			
	Agile RE	7(1)-7(11)	Common Issues in Agile RE	Wagner, Fernández, Felderer,			
To determine the issues and	issues and			and Kalinowski (2017)			
challenges related to Agile RE	challenges	8	Common Challenges in Agile RE	Literature Review (Section			
				2.2.5, Table 2.5)			
		9	Opinion on handling change	Literature Review (Section			
To determine the challenges and	Agile RE			2.3.2)			
issues related to Agile RE	issues and	10(1)-10(11)	Common issues in Agile RCM	Wagner, Fernández, Felderer,			
To investigate the challenges and	challenges			and Kalinowski (2017),			
issues related to Agile RCM	Agile RCM			Literature Review (Table 2.7)			
	issues	11	Common Challenges in Agile RCM	Literature Review - (Section			
				2.3.3, Table 2.7)			

SECTION III. Current practices of Agile RCM						
Objectives	Variables	Questions	Contents	Sources		
		12	Dealing with changing requirement	Wagner et al. (2017)		
To investigate the current		13	Opinion on change request	-		
practices of Agile RCM.	Agile RCM	14	Change requirement recorded	Alsalemi & Yeoh (2015)		
	practices	15	Change management regarding RE	Fernández et al. (2017)		
		16	Product Backlog Change reasons	Alsalemi & Yeoh (2015)		

SECTION IV. Sustainability Characteristics as a Non-Functional Requirement						
Objectives	Variables	Questions	Contents	Sources		
To Investigate the method of	Elicitation and	17	Elicitation and Management of	Literature Review - (Section		
elicitation and management of	Management	7	Non-functional requirement	2.3.4)		
Non-functional requirement		Unive	rsiti Utara Malavsi	a		
To access the documentation of	Non-	18	Non-functional requirement	Fernández et al. (2017)		
non-functional requirements	functional		document			
	requirement					
To identify the Sustainability	Sustainability	19(1)-19(8)	Sustainability Characteristics as a	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)		
Characteristics as a Non-	Characteristics		Non-functional requirement			
functional requirement.			_			
To investigate the importance of	Sustainability	20(1)-20(27)	Sustainability Characteristics and	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)		
Sustainability characteristics	characteristics		sub-characteristics as a Non-			
and there sub- characteristics as	and sub-		functional requirement			
a Non-functional requirement	characteristics		_			

	SEC	CTION V. Susta	inability Analysis	
Objectives	Variables	Questions	Contents	Sources
To assess the impact of change	Impact Analysis	21	Opinion on Impact Analysis	(Wiegers, 2017)
	Analyse change effect	22	Requirement change analysis	Wagner et al. (2017)
	Change Impact	23(1)-23(3)	Change impact on effort, cost and duration	Literature Review - (Section 2.3.6.1)
	Estimation	24	Estimation to determine the impact of change	-
To investigate the risk of requirement change.	Risk analysis	25	Opinion on Risk Analysis	Literature Review - (Section 2.3.6.2)
	Risk type	26	Risks due to requirement change	Literature Review - (Section 2.3.6.2)
		27(1)-26(13)	Common risk factors	Literature Review - (Table 2.17)
	AL ALLAN AND	28(1)-27(13)	Risk factors related to sustainability characteristics	d _
To map the sustainability	sustainable	29(1)-28(8)	sustainability characteristic with	-
characteristic with sustainable	dimension.		sustainable dimension	
dimension.				

	SECTION V. Requirement prioritization technique used in ASD						
Objectives	Variables	Questions	Contents	Sources			
To assess the decision-makers in the process prioritization.	Decision makers	30	Handling the process of prioritization	Racheva, Daneva, Sikkel, Herrmann, & Wieringa (2010)			
To investigate the Prioritization techniques used after change request.	Prioritization techniques	31	Prioritization techniques used in ASD	(Achimugu et al., 2014) Literature Review - (Table 2.21)			
To examine the evaluation criteria to perform requirement prioritization.	Evaluation criteria	32	Consideration criteria of requirement prioritization	Khan et al. (2015)			
To investigate the prioritization criteria with techniques.	Evaluation criteria with techniques	33	Mapping prioritization criteria with requirement prioritization techniques.	Khari & Kumar (2013), Racheva, Daneva, Sikkel, Herrmann, & Wieringa (2010), Rida et al. (2017)			

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Appendix B

The Instrument



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SURVEY ON AGILE REQUIREMENT CHANGE MANAGEMENT

Dear Respected Respondent,

We are conducting a survey regarding ASD practitioner's expertise focusing on RCM, as part of our research work. Because you are one of the software practitioners, thus we would like to invite you to participate in this survey. Basically the objectives of this survey are:

(1) To investigate the issues and challenges of Agile RE and Agile RCM.

(2) To determine the current practices of Agile RCM.

(3) To investigate the software practitioner opinion on the sustainability characteristics as a non-functional requirement.

(4) To examine the software practitioner opinion on the importance of adopting sustainability analysis considering impact and risk factor.

(5) To select the suitable technique of prioritization after the change of requirement in ASD.

What you need to do:

Please tick ($\sqrt{}$) the most appropriate answer or **write** your rating accordingly. You are advised to answer the questions based on your knowledge and experience. We would appreciate it very much if you could answer the questions carefully as the information you provide will influence the accuracy and the success of this research. It will take

around 25-30 minutes to complete the questionnaire. All answers will be treated as strictly confidential and will be used for the purpose of the study only.

This survey consists of 4 sections:

SECTION I: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION.

SECTION II: AGILE RE AGILE RCM (ARCM) ISSUES AND CHALLENGES.

SECTION III: CURRENT PRACTICES OF ARCM.

SECTION IV: SUSTAINABILITY CHARACTERISTICS AS A NON-

FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENT.

SECTION V: SUSTAINABILITY ANALYSIS.

SECTION VI: REQUIREMENT PRIORITIZATION TECHNIQUE USED IN ASD.

Thank you for your cooperation and the time taken in answering this questionnaire. If you have any questions regarding this research, you may address them to us at the contact details below.

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Respondent Details

Respondent's Name:	
Organization:	
Telephone No:	Fax No:
e-Mail:	Date:
Company's Website: (Optional)	

SECTION I: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

A. Respondent's Background

1. What best describes your current position in your company?

- [] Developer
- [] Requirement Engineer
- [] System Analyst
- [] Consultant

2. How long have you been participating in software development?

[] < 3 year [] 11-20 years [] 3-5 years [] 21-29 years [] 6 - 10 years [] 30 years and above

B. Organization's Background

3. What is the main business area of your company?

[] Software development (custom software)
[] Consulting / Project management support
[] Software development (standard software)
[] Others (please specify):

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C. Experience in Agile

4. How long have you been practicing Agile development methods?

[] < 2 year [] 2-3 years [] 3-5 years [] > 5 years

5. How many members does a team possess in your organization as an Agile team?

[] < 5 [] 5-10 [] 11-20 [] 21-40 [] > 40

6. Which Agile methods you have practicing or you are familiar with? (Check all that apply):

[] Scrum

- [] Future-Driven Development (FDD)
- [] Extreme Programming (XP)
- [] Crystal Family

[] Kanban

- [] Agile Modelling
- [] Dynamic Systems Development Method (DSDM)
- [] Other (please specify):_____

SECTION II: AGILE RE & AGILE RCM ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

<u>A. Agile RE Issues and Challenges</u> 7. Considering your personal experiences, how do the following problems in Requirements Engineering apply to your projects? (from 1: Strongly disagree to 7: Strongly agree). **Ranking**:

1= Strongly Disagree, 3 = More or Less Disagree, 2 = Disagree,4 = Neutral,5 =More or less Agree, 6 = Agree. 7 =Strongly Agree

Common Issues in Agile RE	Strongly Disagree			<u> </u>	$\rightarrow_{\text{Agree}}^{\text{Strongly}}$				
Underspecified requirements that are too abstract and allow for									
various interpretations	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Communication flaws between developers and the customer	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Incomplete and/or hidden requirements	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Implicit requirements not made explicit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Inconsistent requirements	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Insufficient support by project lead	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Insufficient support by customer	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
"Gold plating" (implementation of features without corresponding requirements)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Discrepancy between high innovation and need for formal acceptance of requirements	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Unclear responsibilities	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Technically unfeasible requirements	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		

8. Considering your personal experience, what challenges do you face in Agile RE (ARE)?

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B. Agile Requirement Change Management (RCM) Issues and Challenges

9. Considering the literature review it is determined that handling of requirement change without planning and analysis can influence the quality of software.

[] Disagree

[] Agree, (If you Agree, How your company perform the planning and analysis (please

specify_____

10. Considering your personal experiences, how do the following problems in Requirements Change Management (RCM) apply to your projects? (From 1: Strongly disagree to 7: Strongly agree).

Ranking:

1 = Strongly Disagree, $2 =$	= Disagree,	3 = More or Less Disagree,	4 = Neutral,
5 = More or less Agree, 6 =	= Agree,	7 = Strongly Agree	

Common Issues in Agile RCM		ongly agree			\rightarrow	Stron Agre	0.
Project Scope change							
Moving targets (changing goals, business processes and/or	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
requirements)							
Budget and schedule estimation							
Due to the nature of incorporating Requirement Change(s)							
in subsequent iterations, it is not possible to make upfront	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
estimations, which can result in budget and schedule	1	2	5	4	5	0	/
overruns.							
Requirement Prioritization							
Prioritization on single dimension (business value)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Evaluating the consequences of change							
Lack of method of evaluating the consequences of changes.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Customer involvement							
Weak access to customer needs and /or (internal) business	1	2	2	4	5	6	7
information	1	2	3	4	5	6	/
Weak knowledge of customer's application domain	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Weak relationship between customer and project lead	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volatile customer's business domain regarding, e.g.,		1					
changing points of contact, business processes or	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
requirements							
Face-to-face communication		-		<u> </u>			
Unavailability and unwillingness of the required customer	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Iterative development							
Time boxing/Not enough time in general	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Non-Functional Requirement							
Unclear/unmeasurable non-functional requirements	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

11. Considering your personal experience, what challenges do you face in Agile RCM?

No.	Challenges in Agile RCM

SECTION III: CURRENT PRA	CTICES OF ARCM
12. How do you deal with changing requirements afte	r the initial release in Agile?
 Freeze baseline when the iteration is under proceed. Introduces high-priority changes immediately a Only work with change request Regularly change the requirement specification Other (please specify): 	and update product backlog
13. How do you serve request of changes in Agile soft	tware development?
[] Change request form[] Other (please specify):	
14. How the requests of changed requirements are rec	orded in Agile?
 [] Modify existing requirements (No Record) [] Make version of existing requirement 15. How is the change management defined regarding [] Continuous change management as part of Agile [] Change management approach that applies after specification [] Change management that applies during RE [] Do not consider a change management in RE 	[] Other (please specify): g Requirements Engineering in Agile? e RE approach formally accepting a requirements
16. What are the common reasons of change in Produc	ct Backlog?
[] Defect Fixing[] Scope Reduction[] Redundant functionality[] Functionality Enh[] Product Strategy[] Design Improvem[] Resolving Conflicts[] Clarifying Requir[] Other (please specify):	nent [] Erroneous Requirements

SECTION IV: SUSTAINABILITY CHARACTERISTICS AS A NON-FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENT

Note: Sustainable software refers to the software that developed with the resources use aims to meet the needs of present generation until future with integrating the aspects of environment, economic and social towards long living software. One way to achieve sustainable software development is to link sustainability with the quality of the software product as a Non-Functional Requirement.

17. Does your company use any specific technique for elicitation and management of non-functional requirements during Agile software development?[] Yes[] No

18. How do you document Non-functional requirements?

[] Quantified textual requirements [] Non-quantified textual requirements

[] Other (please specify):_____

19. Please indicate your perception on the **importance** of the following Sustainability characteristics as a Non-functional requirement during the process of requirement change. (From 1: Not at all important to 7: Extremely important).

Ranking:

1= Not at all important, 2 = Low importance, 5 = Moderately important, 6 = Very important,

3 = Slightly important, 4= Neutral, 7 = Extremely important

Sustainability Characteristics as a Non-Functional Requirement	Not at all Important Extremely Important		nely ant				
Performance Efficiency (the performance relative to the							
amount of resources used under stated conditions)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Compatibility (a product, system or component can exchange							
information with other products, systems or components, and/or	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
perform its required functions, while sharing the same hardware							
or software environment.)							
Usability (Degree to which a product or system can be used by							
specified users to achieve specified goals with effectiveness,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
efficiency and satisfaction in a specified context of use.)							
Reliability (Degree to which a system, product or component	1						
performs specified functions under specified conditions for a	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
specified period of time.)		20	71				
Security (degree to which a product or system protects							
information and data so that persons or other products or systems	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
have the degree of data access appropriate to their types and							
levels of authorization.)							
Maintainability (This characteristic represents the degree of	aı	ay	SL				
effectiveness and efficiency with which a product or system can	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
be modified to improve it, correct it or adapt it to changes in							
environment, and in requirements.)							
Portability (Degree of effectiveness and efficiency with which a							
system, product or component can be transferred from one	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
hardware, software or other operational or usage environment to							
another.)							
Functional Suitability (the degree to which a product or system							
provides functions that meet stated and implied needs when used	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
under specified conditions)							
Other Important Sustainability characteristics to consider							
(please identify, if any):	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

20. Please indicate your perception on the **importance** of the following Sustainability characteristics and there sub- characteristics as a Non-functional requirement during the process of requirement change.

Performance Efficiency	No Im	t at a port	^{ill} €		Ext Imp	reme	ely
Time behaviour (<i>The capacity of a product while performing its</i>	1111	port	am		1111	101 10	1111
functions to meet requirements regarding response time, throughput and processing time)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Resource utilization (When performing its functions, the amounts and							
types of resources used by a product or system to meet requirements.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Other Important sub-characteristics related to Performance							
Efficiency (please identify, if any):							
Compatibility	No Im	t at a port	^{ill} ant	\rightarrow	Extro Impo	emel ortar	y nt
Interoperability (degree to which two or more systems, products or		port	unit		mp	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	10
components can exchange information and use the information that has been exchanged.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Communication commonality (The degree to which software is							
dependent on its associated hardware.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Data commonality (<i>The use of standard data representation.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Other Important sub-characteristics related to Compatibility (please identify, if any):							
Usability	No Im	t at a port	ıll ant ≤	\leftrightarrow	Ext Imp	rem oorta	ely int
Learnability (degree to which a product or system enables the user to learn how to use it with effectiveness, efficiency in emergency situations.)	1	0		4	5	6	7
Understandability (<i>The ability to recognize whether the software is appropriate for the user needs.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Operability (<i>The capacity of a product that make it easy to operate and control.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Attractiveness (User interface assists satisfying and pleasing interaction for the user.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Other sub-characteristics related to Usability (please identify, if any):							
Reliability	No Im	t at a port	^{all} ant	\rightarrow	Extro Impo	emel ortar	y nt
Availability (<i>The capacity of a product or component to be accessible and operational at the time of use.</i>)	1				5		7
Fault tolerance (<i>The capacity of a product to be operated as required in spite of the existence of hardware or software faults.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Recoverability (<i>The capacity of a product to recover the data and restore the state of the system during the event of an interruption or a failure.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Other sub-characteristics related to Reliability (please identify, if any):							
Security	No Im	t at a port	^{all} ant	\rightarrow	Ext Imp	reme oorta	
Confidentiality (degree to which the prototype ensures that data are accessible only to those authorized to have access.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Integrity (degree to which a system, product or component prevents unauthorized access to, or modification of, computer programs or data.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Authenticity (degree to which the identity of a subject or resource can be proved to be the one claimed.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Other sub-characteristics related to Security (please identify, if any):							

Maintainability	Not Im	t at a port:	^{ıll} ant	\rightarrow	Extremely Important			
Modularity (A discrete component that does not have an impact on other components during change.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Analysability (A discrete component that does not have an impact on other components during change. Diagnose a product for deficiencies or causes of failures due to change.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Modifiability (<i>Degree to which a product or system can be effectively and efficiently modified without introducing defects or degrading existing product quality.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Extensibility (The level of effort required to implement the extension.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Reusability (<i>The capacity of a module or component that can be re-used in other software system.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Testability (<i>The capacity to construct the test criteria with effectiveness and perform tests to meet those criteria.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Other sub-characteristics related to Maintainability (please identify, if any):								
Portability	Not Im	t at a porta	^{ìll} € ant		> ^{Ext} Imj	rem port	ely ant	
Adaptability (<i>The capacity of product or system to be adopted in different hardware, software or other operational environments.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Installability (<i>The capacity of a product to be successfully installed or uninstalled in any environment.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Replaceability (<i>The capacity of replacement of a product by another software product in the same environment.</i>)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Other sub-characteristics related to Portability (please identify, if any):	7							
Functional Suitability	Not Im	t at a porta	ant		> ^{Ext} Im	rem port	ely ant	
Functional Completeness (degree to which the set of functions covers all the specified tasks and user objectives.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Functional Correctness (degree to which the functions provides the correct results with the needed degree of precision.)	y s 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Functional Appropriateness (degree to which the functions facilitate the accomplishment of specified tasks and objectives.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Other sub-characteristics related to Functional Suitability (please identify, if any):								

SECTION V: SUSTAINABILITY ANALYSIS

Sustainability Analysis: The sustainability analysis has been performed by incorporating risk analysis and impact analysis that systematically assesses and manages risks and its impact to support the decision making related to change. The sustainability analysis will go around the risk and impact factor.

A. Impact Analysis

21. Impact Analysis should be performed to analyze the effect of requirement changes. (If you Disagree, Please give justification).

[] Agree

[] Disagree, please justify:_____

- 22. How do you analyse the effect of changes to requirements? (You can select more than one option if applicable)
 - [] Impact analysis between requirement. [] Risk analysis between requirement.
 - [] Do not analyse the effect of changes to requirement.
 - [] Other (please specify):_
- 23. Please indicate your perception on the importance of the following significant impact due to requirement change. (From 1: Not at all important to 7: Extremely important).
 - Ranking:Office of a state of a management1= Not at all important,2 = Low importance,3 = Slightly important,5 = Moderately important,6 = Very important,7 = Extremely important

Impact of change		at all ortar	~	\rightarrow		ktrem 1port	
Development Effort (Cost)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Project duration	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Quality of a project/product	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Other Important Significant Impact(s) you encounter during requirement change (please identify, if any) :							

- 24. Do you perform estimation to determine the impact of change?

B. <u>Risk Analysis</u>

- 25. Risk Analysis should be performed to make a decision about requirement change.
 - (If you Disagree, please give justification).
 - [] Agree
 - [] Disagree. Please justify:____

- 26. What are the risk types that you confront during requirement change in Agile Software development? (You can select more than one option if applicable)
 - [] Business risks

[] Technical risks

[] Schedule risks

[] Cost risks

[] Quality risks

[] People risks

[] Project risks [] Other (please specify):____

27. Please indicate your perception on the importance of the Risk factors that you encounter during requirement change in Agile. (From 1: Not at all important to 7: Extremely important).

List of Risk		Not at all Important		\rightarrow		remel portai	•
Errors/bugs during development and after release.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Create defects that are difficult and expensive to fix	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Unstable requirements and time-consuming changes	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Market loses	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Customer related risk	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Limit the productivity of internal and external users	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Business impact risk	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Technical issues risk	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Unclear product requirements.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Budget overrun	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Schedule overrun	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Not accurate to the stakeholders need.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Failure to meet performance criteria	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Other Important Risk Factor(s) you encounter during requirement change (please identify, if any) :			V				

28. Please tick ($\sqrt{}$) the most appropriate sustainability characteristics that is linked with Risk. (You can select more than one sustainability characteristics for one risk)

	Sustainability Characteristics							
List of Risk		Compatibility	Usability	Reliability	Security	Maintainabili ty	Portability	Functional Suitability
Errors/bugs during development and after release.								
Create defects that are difficult and expensive to fix								
Unstable requirements and time-consuming changes								
Market loses								
Customer related risk								
Limit the productivity of internal and external users								
Business impact risk								
Technical issues risk								
Unclear product requirements.								
Budget overrun								
Schedule overrun								
Not accurate to the stakeholders need.								
Failure to meet performance criteria								

Note: Sustainability is a multi-dimensional structure. The **Environmental** dimension is longtime usage of systems and the evolution with changing surrounding conditions can be easily adapted to future change. The **Social** dimension refers the societal communities like organizations, groups of people and the factors effects of software systems on the society. The **Economic** dimension focuses on assets, added value, and capital that ensure stakeholders long term investments are safe from economic risks.

29. Considering your personal experiences, which sustainability characteristic is mapped with the sustainable dimension of **Environmental**, **Social and Economic**.

	Sustainability Dimension						
Sustainability Characteristics	Economic	Social	Environment al				
Performance Efficiency							
Compatibility							
Usability							
Reliability							
Security							
Maintainability							
Portability							
Functional Suitability							

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SECTION VI: REQUIREMENT PRIORITIZATION TECHNIQUE USED IN ASD.

30. Who are the decision-makers in the prioritization process?

[] Client

[] Development team

[] Product Owner

[] Project Manager

[] Team Leader

[] Consultant

[] Other (please specify):____

31. Which of the prioritization technique you used to prioritize requirement after requirement change in Agile? (You can select more than one option if applicable)

[] Analytic hierarchy process (AHP)

[] Cost-value ranking

- [] Kano Model
- [] Planning Game
- [] Wiegers' matrix approach
- [] Value-oriented prioritization (VOP)
- [] Other (please specify):____

- [] Binary Search Tree (BST)
- [] Cumulative Voting
- [] MoSCoW
- [] Pair wise analysis
- [] Quality Functional Deployment (QFD)

32. Which aspect or evaluation criteria do you use to perform decisions during agile prioritization? (You can select more than one option if applicable)

`	1 11 /	
[] Complexity/ Ease of Use	[] Time consumed	[] Consistency
[] Reliability of result	[] Strategic Importance	[] Business value
[] Customer preference	[] Benefit	[] Penalty
[] Cost	[] Voice of the customer	[] Technical risk
[] Judgments on participants exp	periences [] Other (please spec	cify):

33. Considering your personal experiences, Please tick ($\sqrt{}$) the most appropriate Requirement prioritization criteria for the following prioritization technique. (You can select more than one criteria for each prioritization technique).

	Requirement prioritization criteria				ria						
Requirement Prioritization Technique	Complexity/ Face of Uce	و ا	Consumed	Consistency	Reliability of	result	Customer	preference	Business	value Benefit/Cost/ Penalty	Technical risk
Analytic hierarchy process (AHP)											
Binary Search Tree (BST)											
Cost-value ranking				i.			1				
Cumulative Voting							A				
Kano Model							1				
MoSCoW											
Planning Game			/								
Pair wise analysis								-			
Quality Functional Deployment (QFD)	Ut.	ar	а	M	al	a	V S	i i a	1		
Value-oriented prioritization (VOP)											
Wiegers' matrix approach											

Note:

Could you indicate us one or more persons to answer this survey? Preferably someone who is/are involved in software development and enforces Agility and RCM practices throughout software development (Full name and email/address/telephone number)

-----END OF SURVEY-----

Thank You for participating in the survey

Appendix C

Expert Review Instrument



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VERIFICATION BY EXPERT REVIEW ON AGILE REQUIREMENT CHANGE MANAGEMENT (ARCM) MODEL

Dear Respected Respondent,

We are conducting an expert reviews as a research activity to evaluate the proposed model. The aim is to verify and ensure that the proposed ARCM model is built correctly. Hence, we would appreciate if you can participate as one of the expert for this study. As an expert you are in ideal position to give us valuable information from your own perspective on the proposed model. You are provided with the comprehensive report of the proposed model.

You need to send us the answers within two weeks from receiving the reports.

You are advised to answer the questions based on your knowledge and experience. We would appreciate it very much if you could answer the questions carefully as the information you provide will influence the accuracy and the success of this research. It will take around 1 hour to complete the review. All answers will be treated as strictly confidential and will be used for the purpose of the study only.

There are three (3) sections in this expert review such as below:

Section 1: Overall verification of ARCM Model using PDCA phases, activities and ARCM practices.

Section 2: Categorization/classification of the of the requirement change.

Section 3: Sustainability characteristics and sub-characteristics as a non-Functional requirement.

Respondent Details

Respondent's Name:	
Organization:	
Telephone No:	Fax No:
e-Mail:	Date:
Company's Website: (Optional)	

Thank you for your cooperation and the time taken in answering this expert review. If you have any questions regarding this research, you may address them to us at the contact details below.

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Appendix D

The Overall Verification Form

Purpose of verification

The verification is performed through experts review method to ensure that the main components in the proposed ARCM Model, are built correctly. The verification is performed in order to verify whether the proposed model conforms its specification. In this study, the verification stage is to verify the:

Section 1: Overall verification of ARCM Model using PDCA phases, activities and ARCM practices.

Section 2: Categorization/classification of the of the requirement change.

Section 3: Sustainability characteristics and sub-characteristics as a non-Functional requirement.

The PDCA processes, activities and RCM Practices are verified on the basis of their accurateness, comprehensiveness, understandability, and well organized. These criteria are adapted from previous studies Al-Tarawneh (2014), Kunda (2003), and Shafinah (2015). The description of the verification criteria is as follows.

Accurate	The process, activities and practices of ARCM Model are adequately decomposed to achieve the process of change in Agile.
Comprehensive	All the process, activities and practices of manging requirement change are included.
Understandable	The process, activities and practices of ARCM Model are decomposed clearly and unambiguously.
Well Organized	The process, activities and components of ARCM Model are organized well.

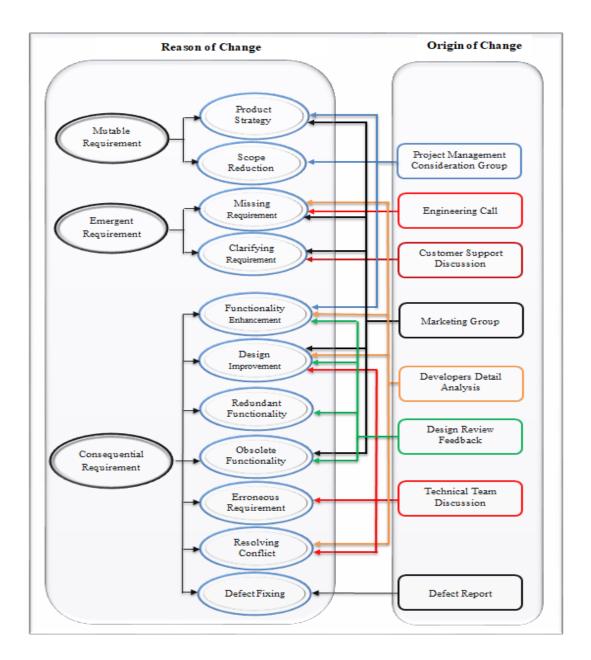
Accurate	Comprehensive	Understandable	Well organized
The process, activities and practices of ARCM Model are adequately/correctly decomposed to achieve the process of change in Agile.	All the process, activities and practices of manging requirement change are included in the Model.	The process, activities and practices of ARCM Model are decomposed clearly and unambiguously	The process, activities and practices of ARCM Model are organized Well.
Agree Disagree	Agree Disagree	Agree Disagree	Agree Disagree
Comments/ Suggestions:	Comments/ Suggestions:	Comments/ Suggestions:	Comments/ Suggestions:

Overall Comments/ Suggestions:

Appendix E

Requirement Change Categorization/Classification

The main objective of Requirement change identification is to create requirement change taxonomy and further categorize the requirement change element on the basis of "*reason*" and "*origin*" of change, for a better understanding of change request. Change categorization will be referred to propose a model of requirement change management in ASD.



Requirement Change Identification

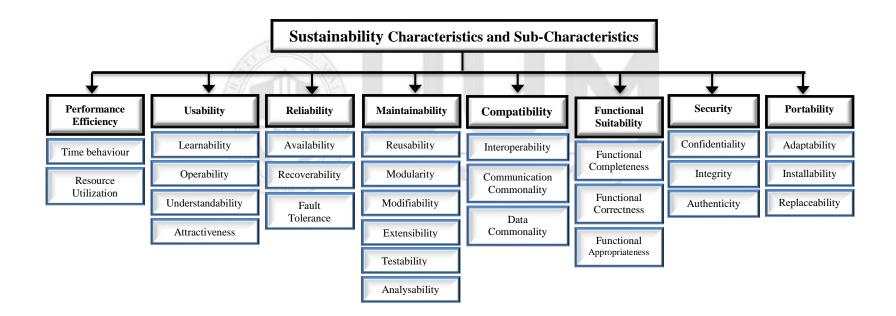
The requirement change categorization/ classification on the basis of reason and origin of change has been arranged correctly.

Change Identification	Comments/Suggestion	ns
To identify the request of	Agree	
change (RFC) referring to	Disagree	
change categorization	Comments/ Suggestions	G.
/classification on the basis	Comments/ Suggestions	5.
of 'reason' and 'origin' of		
change has been arranged		
correctly.		
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Overall Comments/ Suggestions:

Appendix F

Sustainability Characteristics and Sub-characteristics



Char	Sub-	Definition	Resources
	Characteristics		
Performance Efficiency	Time behaviour	The capacity of a product while performing its functions to meet requirements regarding response time, throughput and processing time.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Perfo Effic	Resource utilization	When performing its functions, the amounts and types of resources used by a product or system to meet requirements.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
	Learnability	To capacity to learn the use of a system in an efficient way with complete user satisfaction.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
lity	Operability	The capacity of a product that make it easy to operate and control.	(ISO/IEC-9126-1, 2001)
Usability	Understandability	The ability to recognize whether the software is appropriate for the user needs.	(ISO/IEC-9126-1, 2001; ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
	Attractiveness	User interface assists satisfying and pleasing interaction for the user.	(ISO/IEC 25012 2008)
	Availability	The capacity of a product or component to be accessible and operational at the time of use.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Reliability	Recoverability	The capacity of a product to recover the data and restore the state of the system during the event of an interruption or a failure.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Re	Fault tolerance	The capacity of a product to be operated as required in spite of the existence of hardware or software faults.	(ISO/IEC-9126-1, 2001; ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
	Reusability	The capacity of a module or component that can be re-used in other software system.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
	Modularity	A discrete component that does not have an impact on other components during change.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
ability	Modifiability	Capacity to effectively and efficiently modified product or system without degrading the quality or introducing new defects.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Maintain	Extensibility	The level of effort required to implement the extension.	(Grady & B., 1992)
Mai	Testability	The capacity to construct the test criteria with effectiveness and perform tests to meet those criteria.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
	Analysability	Analyse the effect of intended change or identify any short comings or reasons of failures.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
vility	Interoperability	Two or more systems, products or components can exchange and uses information that has been exchanged.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Compatibility	Communication commonality	The degree to which software is dependent on its associated hardware.	(McCall et al., 1977
Con	Data commonality	The use of standard data representation.	(McCall et al., 1977

Sustainability Sub-Characteristics Descriptions

tability	Functional Completeness	The degree to which the set of functions covers all the specified tasks and user objectives.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Functional Suitability	Functional Correctness	The degree to which the functions provides the correct results with the needed degree of precision	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Functio	Functional Appropriateness	The degree to which the functions facilitate the accomplishment of specified tasks and objectives.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
	Confidentiality	The degree to which the prototype ensures that data are accessible only to those authorized to have access.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Security	Integrity	The degree to which a system, product or component prevents unauthorized access to, or modification of, computer programs or data.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
	Authenticity	The degree to which the identity of a subject or resource can be proved to be the one claimed.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
ity	Adaptability	The capacity of product or system to be adopted in different hardware, software or other operational environments.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Portability	Installability	The capacity of a product to be successfully installed or uninstalled in any environment.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)
Pol	Replaceability	The capacity of replacement of a product by another software product in the same environment.	(ISO/IEC 25012, 2008)

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Sustainability characteristics and sub-characteristics

The sustainability characteristics and sub-characteristics as a Non-Functional Requirement are adequate to cover the requirement change in Agile.

Comments/Suggestion	ns						
Agree							
Disagree							
Comments/ Suggestion	18:						
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Overall Comments/ Suggestions:

Appendix G

Assessment of the Agile RCM Process

Metric Factor: Process- Completeness Metrics

Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Chan ge (if needed)
M1: The request of change is identified by			
considering the source and reason of changes			
M2: Sustainability analysis was performed using			
Risk matrix			
M3: After change prioritization was performed			
using the guideline provided.			
M4: Change are implemented successfully			

Metric Factor: Process- Consistency Metrics

Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Chan ge (if needed)
M5: Changes are identified by considering change			
categorization appropriately.			
M6: Requirement change analysis was performed by			
following the standards of requirement change			
analysis.			
M7: Requirement prioritization was done after every			
change.			
M8: Appropriate procedure was followed to			
implement the requirement change.			

Metric Factor: Process- Accuracy

Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Chan ge (if needed)
M9: The requirement change identified by categorization/ classification on the basis of reason			
and origin of change has arranged correctly.M10: Appropriate procedure was used to analyse the			
requirement change.			
M11: Appropriate procedure was followed to select prioritization technique after requirement change.			
M12: Changes were implemented by following all the standard activities of requirement change.			





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Assessment of the Critical Success Factor-CSF of Agile Project Management-APM

Ranking: The score ranged from 0 to 4 Likert scale

where: 0 =Never, 1 =Rarely, 2 =Sometimes, 3 =Often and 4 =Always.

Metric Factor: People

Metrics(M)	Score				
M13: Team capability					
Team members are capable to follow the process of	0	1	2	3	4
Agile.					
M14: Motivated team members:					
The current progress of iteration was revealed to	0	1	2	3	4
everyone in the team during iteration.					
M15: Agile process knowledge.					
All the Team members have the basic Agile process	0	1	2	3	4
knowledge					
M16: Self-organizing teamwork.					
Team members have the autonomous and make any	0	1	2	3	4
decision related to change.					
M17: Good customer relationship:					
Customer and end-user involvement were monitored	0	1	2	3	4
in change activity					
M18: Customer involvement:					
Customers or Project Owner (PO) was available on-	0	1	2	3	4
site for face-to-face discussions during the	U	1	4	3	4
requirement change					

Metric Factor: Project

Metrics(M)	Score				
M19: The nature of project was Non-life-critical.	0	1	2	3	4
M20: Within the project scope varies with emergent requirement.	0	1	2	3	4
M21: Project was implemented with small team	0	1	2	3	4

Metric Factor: Organizational

Metrics(M)	Score				
M22: Organizational culture and mind set support frequent requirement change in Agile.	0	1	2	3	4
M23: Management of company support the process of change.	0	1	2	3	4

Metric Factor: Technology

Metrics(M)	Score				
M24: The Agile software techniques were implemented accurately.	0	1	2	3	4
M25: The software product are delivered accurately.	0	1	2	3	4

Can these metric be applied during the development process without consuming time?

Appendix H

The Validation Form

Please validate and give comments on the below mentioned issues on the ARCM Model's implementation:

	Extremely Agree	Moderately Agree	Agree	Neutral	Extremely Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Disagree
Perceived Ease of Use	15/	131					
Representation of ARCM model is simple							
It is simple to understand the process, activities and practices of Agile							
Requirement change Management (ARCM).		Uni	versiti I	Jtara Ma	alaysia		
It is simple to understand and apply sustainability Analysis during change management process.							
It is simple to implement ARCM model for change management process in Agile development.							
ARCM Model needs training to fully understand it							

Perceived Usefulness	Extremely Agree	Moderately Agree	Agree	Neutral	Extremely Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Disagree
Requirement change in Agile was difficult to perform without ARCM Model.							
Using ARCM Model gives the greater control over Requirement Change Management (RCM) process.							
ARCM Model enables to accomplish RCM process more quickly and save the time.							
Using ARCM Model enhances the effectiveness of requirement change process in Agile.							
Using ARCM Model improves the quality of the RCM process.							
Using ARCM Model makes it easier to do change process.		Uni	versiti l	Jtara Ma	alaysia		
Using ARCM Model increases the overall productivity.							
Structure of ARCM Model	Extremely Agree	Moderately Agree	Agree	Neutral	Extremely Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Disagree
The core components of ARCM are self- exploratory and no need of further explanation to be used effectively.							
The ARCM components are practical and could be used in software industry practicing Agile.							

The implementation of ARCM could assist an organization to identify issues related to							
requirement change. The components of ARCM model are enough to perform the complete process of change in Agile software development.							
Would you like to suggest further improvements or suggestions for ARCM Model?							
Are there any additional components for ARCM model, also give the reasons.			Л				
Overall Comments/ Suggestions:		Uni	versiti l	Jtara Ma	alaysia		

Appendix I

Guideline Document for ARCM Model

Overview of the study

The purpose of this research is to improve the existing model for requirement change management that can provide a better support of requirement changes in Agile Software Development (ASD).

The study will explore the options to streamline the process of handling requirement changes in Agile due to the lack of formal process to manage requirement changes in ASD. Therefore, based on the review, this study found four main issues related to Agile Requirement Change Management (RCM): (1) the first issue is the need to employ the formal process to manage continuous requirement changes in Agile, (2) secondly, there is a need to construct a model that provides sustainable software development by considering sustainability characteristics as a non-functional requirement, (3) third issue is the need to improve the requirement change analysis step during the process of RCM, and (4) the fourth issue is related to the dynamic decision making using requirement reprioritization after the process of requirement change. There are several shortcomings of the existing RCM models which need further investigation related to sustainability characteristics as a Non-Functional Requirement (NFR), sustainability analysis and dynamic decision making through prioritization. Realizing the gap in the extant literature, there is a need of RCM model for Agile Software Development. This study has overcome the above mentioned shortcomings by proposing Agile Requirement Change Management (ARCM) model. Therefore, this research will provide a solution for requirement change management of quality characteristics during Agile software development. Below is the proposed ARCM model with detailed description.

Proposed Model

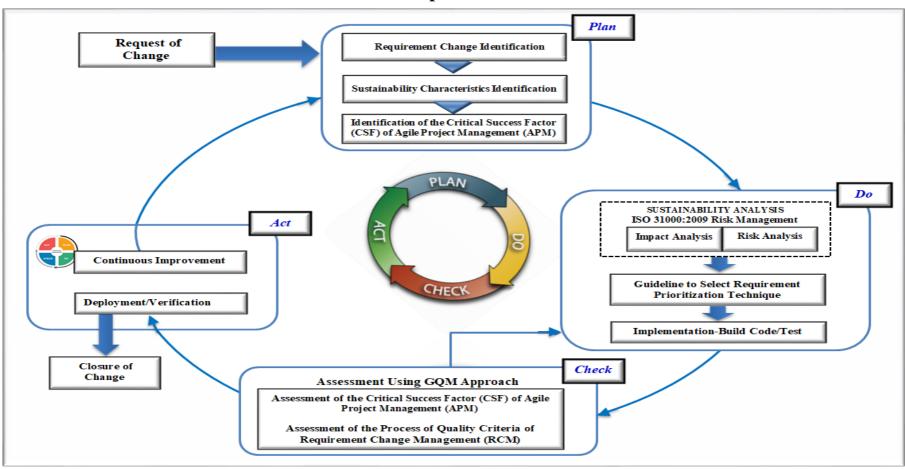


Figure 1: The proposed Agile Requirement Change Management (ARCM) Model

ARCM model is constructed by adapting the Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) (Deming, 2000) method as a base theory besides the outcomes from the theoretical and exploratory studies. PDCA method consists of four main phases, which are plan, do, check, and act. Moreover, this study adapts other studies and theories among them are Goal Oriented Approach, ISO/IEC 25012-2008, and ISO 31000:2009 while constructing the proposed model. The description of the main processes of ARCM according to the PDCA is as follows.

1. Plan phase:

This aim of this phase is the requirement change identification. Requirement changes are identified by referring change taxonomy and categorization of change in the context of type, reason, and origin of change. The main activities of this phase are to identify the request of change referring to Change Taxonomy and Change Categorization and identified the request of change by considering sustainability characteristics as a nonfunctional requirement, in ASD rather than the functional requirement.

Requirement Change Categorization/Classification

The main objective of Requirement change identification is to create requirement change taxonomy and further categorize the requirement change element on the basis of "*reason*" and "*origin*" of change, for a better understanding of change request. Change categorization will be referred to propose a model of requirement change management in ASD.

The proposed categorization is based on two studies of Harker et al. (1993) and Nurmuliani et al. (2004). Requirement elements are categorized according to the reason and origin of requirement change. This research categorized reason of change into three broad category of *mutable, emergent and consequential requirement*, which are further divided into 11 reason of change and these reason of changes are than mapped with origin of changes found in Nurmuliani et al. (2004). Moreover, the origin of changes are divided into defect reports, engineering's call, project management consideration, marketing group, developer's detailed analysis, design review feedback, technical team discussion, and customer-support discussions. All the taxonomy elements were derived from the change request forms Nurmuliani et al. (2004).

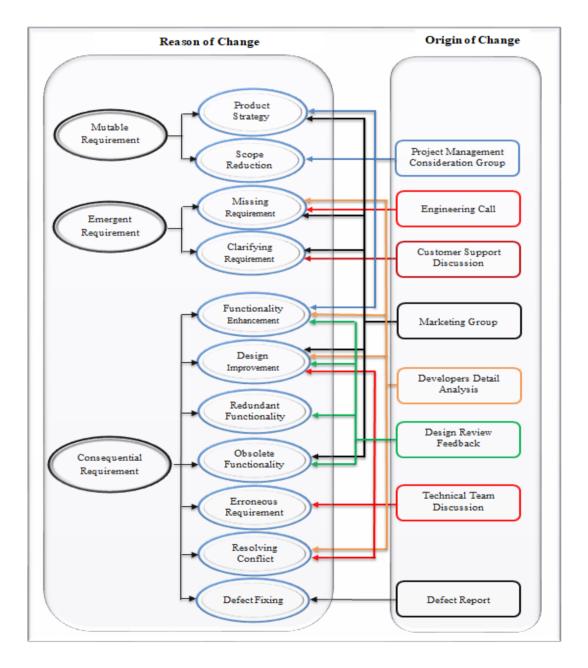


Figure 2: Requirement Change Categorization

• Sustainability Characteristics and Sub-Characteristics.

This study identified requirements changes as a sustainability characteristics related to non-functional requirement. A set of important sustainability characteristics from exploratory study as well as taken from the ISO 25010 which is the last standardized model for quality are proposed in this study. The complete 8 sustainability characteristics with their respective 27 sub-characteristics are provided in following Diagram

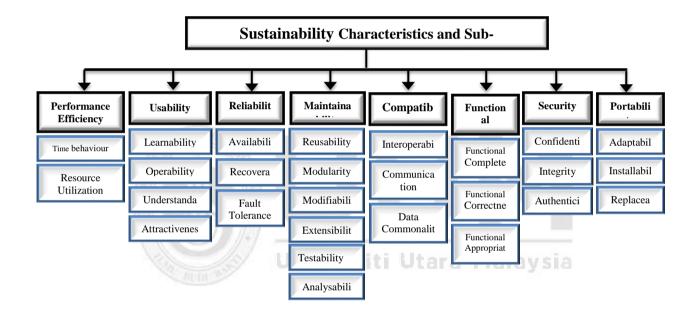


Figure 3: Sustainability Characteristics and Sub-Characteristics

2. Do Phase:

The aim of this phase is to analyse the request of change for the implementation of change. In this study the change analysis, is termed as "Sustainability Analysis". The sustainability analysis has been performed by assessing and managing risks and its impact to support the decision making related to change. Sustainability analysis method will incorporate the sustainability philosophy during the requirement change process to access the sustainability of the system based on sustainability characteristics with three

dimension of sustainability such as environment, social and economy. Becker et al. (2015) describe the sustainability principles for Software Engineering (SE) as a multidimensional structure. The environmental dimension is concerned about the responsible use of natural resources. Further the social dimension refers the societal communities like organizations, groups of people and the factors that enhance trust in society and finally the economic dimension focuses on assets, added value, and capital.

Moreover, this study adapt risk management process of ISO 31000:2009, besides the impact analysis which is a brief and high-level set of principles and guidelines on how to implement risk management. Furthermore, the next process of do phase is the requirement prioritization. Agreed changes are then re-prioritizing by selecting the appropriate requirement prioritization technique. After prioritization, the development and implementation of changes are carried out.

5.3.2.1 Sustainability Analysis

The first step of Do phase is sustainability analysis which involves in understanding its impact and risk factors related to change on the software system so that informed decisions can be made. The sustainability analysis has been comprises of risk analysis and impact analysis to support the decision making related to change. The proposed sustainability analysis method has incorporated the sustainability philosophy during the requirement change process to access the sustainability of the system based on sustainability characteristics and sustainability dimension.

Additionally, the outcomes from the exploratory study also reveal that impact analysis provides an accurate perspective of the implications of a proposed change and handling of requirement change without planning and analysis can influence the quality of software (Refer to Section 4.4.4). Similarly, the survey result highlights that

quality, cost and project duration have the significant impact due to requirement change. Since, the impact of the change is used to predict the cost and effort estimation to manage the budget, schedule and quality of project. Hence, this study refers the change impact with respect to the quality, cost and project duration.

In order to implement risk, the risk management process of ISO 31000:2009, has adapted, which is a brief and high-level set of principles and guidelines on how to implement risk management. The four main steps of ISO 31000:2009 risk management processes adapted in this study are: identify, analyse, evaluate and treat the risk as shown in Figure 4.

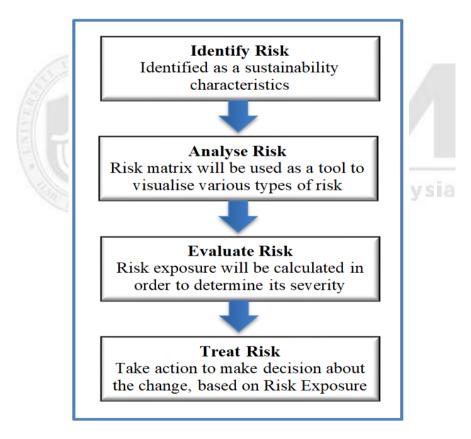


Figure 4. The Steps of Risk Management Process adapted by ISO 31000:2009 In risk management process the steps is: (1) to identify, the risk related to sustainability characteristic are identified by theoretical and exploratory study, (2) for risk analysis and assessment, the risk matrix are used as a tool to visualise various

types of risk, (3) to evaluate, the risk exposure is calculated in order to determine its severity, and (4) to treat the risk and take action is the final activity to make decision about the change and it is based on the value of risk exposure (Refer to, Section 2.3.8.2). For this study a risk management approach incorporates sustainability characteristics with sustainability dimension to identify emerging issues. The steps of risk management process are further discussed in detail.

5. Identify the risk

Table 1 represents the risk factors related to sustainability characteristic and then further mapped with the sustainability dimension in order of importance as extracted from the exploratory study (Refer to Chapter 4, Section 4.7.5.3 and 4.7.5.4).

Sustainable Characteristics	Sustainable Dimension	Risk Factors
Performance Efficiency	 Uni Economics Environment Social 	 Errors/bugs during development and after release Create defects that are difficult and expensive to fix Not accurate to the stakeholders need Failure to meet performance criteria Budget overrun Schedule overrun Unstable requirements and time-consuming changes Customer related risk Business impact risk Unclear product requirements Market loses Technical issues risk
Usability	 Social Economics Environment 	 Create defects that are difficult and expensive to fix Not accurate to the stakeholders need Failure to meet performance criteria Budget overrun Schedule overrun Unstable requirements and time-consuming changes Customer related risk Business impact risk Unclear product requirements Market loses Technical issues risk Limit the productivity of internal and external users

Risk Factors Related to Sustainability Characteristics and Dimension.

Reliability	 Economics Social Environment 	 Errors/bugs during development and after release Create defects that are difficult and expensive to fix Not accurate to the stakeholders need Failure to meet performance criteria Budget overrun Schedule overrun Unstable requirements and time-consuming changes Customer related risk Business impact risk Unclear product requirements Market loses Technical issues risk Limit the productivity of internal and external users
Maintainability	 Economics Social Environment 	 Errors/bugs during development and after release Create defects that are difficult and expensive to fix Not accurate to the stakeholders need Failure to meet performance criteria Budget overrun Schedule overrun Unstable requirements and time-consuming changes Business impact risk Unclear product requirements Market loses Technical issues risk Limit the productivity of internal and external users
Compatibility	 Economics Social Environment 	 Errors/bugs during development and after release Create defects that are difficult and expensive to fix Not accurate to the stakeholders need Failure to meet performance criteria Budget overrun Unstable requirements and time-consuming changes Customer related risk Business impact risk Unclear product requirements Market loses Technical issues risk Limit the productivity of internal and external users
Functional Suitability	 Economics Social Environment 	 Not accurate to the stakeholders need Failure to meet performance criteria Budget overrun Schedule overrun Unstable requirements and time-consuming changes Business impact risk Unclear product requirements Market loses Technical issues risk Limit the productivity of internal and external users

6. Risk Analysis and Assessment

In the second step of risk analysis and assessment, a risk matrix is constructed by using probability and impact of a change in a form of graph. The input of this step is the value of impact and probability. A scale of five values is used for both impact and probability. Table 2 represents the impact of the risk that is categorized from scale 1 to 5 as 'negligible' to 'severe' respectively with the consequences of impact (PMBOK® Guide, 2013).

Table 2

Impact and Consequence

Score	Impact	Consequences
5	Severe	Catastrophic to the project survival (Greater than 30 % above budgeted).
4	Significance	Serious impact (20 to 29 % above budgeted).
3	Moderate	Cause significance damage (10 to 19 % above budgeted).
2	Minor	Effect in s minor way (5 to 9 % above budgeted).
1	Negligible	Insignificant impact on project (Within 5% of budgeted expenditure).

Moreover, the 'probability', chances of occurrences of risk from 'not likely' to 'expected' are ranked from 1 to 5 with the percentage of occurrence (Abdul Rahman et al., 2017).

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Score	Probability	Probability of Occurrence
5	Expected	More than 90% certainly to occur
4	High	64–89% highly likely to occur
3	Moderate	35–63% Possible chance to occur
2	Low	10–34% unlikely to occur
1	Not likely	Less than 10% unlikely to occur

Using this scale the value of impact related to the risk type on the basis of quality, cost and schedule risk has been taken. As, it has been evident from the empirical study that quality, cost and schedule are the main concern of the practitioners (Refer to Chapter 4, Section 4.3.5.1).

Here in this study, the value of impact is determined by the by the association between the two categorical data of impact of change on different type of risk as shown in Table 4.

Association between Risk and the impact of change using Chi-Squares Tes	ts
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	l	Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)						
Type of Risks	Development Effort (Cost) p-value	Project Duration p-value	Quality of Project p-value					
Business Risk	0.000	0.000	0.000					
Technical Risk	0.001	0.000	0.000					
Schedule Risk	0.017	0.000	0.003					
Cost Risk	0.000 IV er si	0.002	aysia0.000					
Quality Risk	0.000	0.031	0.000					
People Risk	0.166	0.000	0.253					
Project Risk	0.000	0.000	0.739					

		Risk Type after Agile: Busi	Req change in ness Risk	
		No	Yes	Total
Impact: Development	Slightly importance	3	0	3
Effort (Cost)	Neutral	5	0	5
	Moderately important	5	12	17
	Very important	18	39	57
	Extremely important	34	21	55
Total		65	72	137

Chi-Square Tests

	Value	df	Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	21.390 ^a	4	.000
Likelihood Ratio	24.727	4	.000
Linear-by-Linear Association	.033	1	.855
N of Valid Cases	137		

a. 4 cells (40.0%) have expected count less than 5. The minimum expected count is 1.42.

Figure 5 The Chi Square Test on the Impact of Cost and Business Risk.

To extract the value of impact these association using Pearson Chi-Square value is categorized with impact to determine the value of impact. As represented in Figure 5 the p value shows the strong association while value is near to zero and represents no relationship whilst the value is near to one. It has been represented in Table 5.8 top row, "business risk" the Pearson Chi-Square value, p < 0.001, i.e. a very small probability that represents the strong association, since p < 0.005.

Here in this study, the value of impact and probability is used as a guideline by the practitioner. The value of impact is determined by dividing the score of impact with respect to p value ranges from 000 to 0.01 as depicted in Table 5. Moreover, the value of probability can be determined by the experience of practitioner's who is handling the change process as Agile approach is more people-oriented rather than process-oriented and people are an integral part of the Agile Software Development (ASD).

Table 5

Score	Impact	p-value	
5	Severe	000 to 0.002	
4	Significance	> 0.002 to 0.004	
3	Moderate	> 0.004 to 0.006	
2	Minor	> 0.006 to 0.008	
1	Negligible	> 0.008 to 0.01	

The value of impact w.r.t Chi-Squares value

Further, the risk matrix is constructed to visualise various types of risk. Further, the risk matrix is constructed to visualise various types of risk. The x-axis represents the impact with the categories, ranging from 'negligible' to 'severe' while the probability of occurring risk is represented on y-axis ranging from 'not likely' to 'expected'. The decision of the matric of 3×3 or 5×5 is an arbitrary choice by the creator of the matrix.

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	5- Expected	5	10	15	20	25	
PROBABILITY	4- High	4	8	12	16	20	
BABI	3- Moderate	3	6	9	12	15	
PRO	2- Low	2	4	6	8	10	
	1-Not likely	1	2	3	4	5	
		Negligible	Minor	Moderate	Significance	Severe	
		1	2	3	4	5	
		IMPACT					

Figure 6. Risk Matrix with Probability and Impact



7. Evaluate the risk

The last step is to determine the risk exposure for each risk factor related to sustainability dimension. The risk exposure can be calculated by multiplying risk probability and impact as shown in equation 5.1 below. Finally, the calculated risk exposure will be mapped to risk exposure scales as shown in Table 6 to determine the acceptable level of risk.

$$RE = P * I \tag{5.1}$$

Where:

 $\mathbf{RE} = \mathbf{Exposure of risk}$

Р = Probability of risk

Ι = Impact of risk

Finally, the ARCM Model evaluates the risk by calculating the value of risk exposure by adding the value of impact and probability in the risk matrix as depicted in Figure 7.

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To calculate the risk exposure, the value of impact and probability to occur the risk related to the change is determined. It starts when the new Request for Change (RFC) related to the sustainability characteristic is arrived. Thus, the factor and its impact on cost, schedule and quality is determined as shown in Table 6. Afterward its value of impact has been determined by considering the above mentioned Table 4 and Table 5. Then the probability to occur this risk factor is determined through subjective approach. The software practitioners derive the value of probability by keeping the project nature in mind. Subsequently, the risk exposure is calculated by multiplying the impact with probability using the formula as shown in 5.1.

To visualize the risk exposure the risk matrix is used as shown in Figure 5 By considering the example given in Table 6 the outcome of the risk matrix is depicted in Figure 7.

	5- Expected					
PROBABILITY	4- High					RFC-3
BABI	3- Moderate			RFC-1		
PRO	2- Low					RFC-2
	1-Not likely					
		Negligible	Minor	Moderate	Significance	Severe
		1	2	3	4	5
				IMPACT		

Figure 7. Example of Risk Matrix with Probability and Impact



8. Treat the risk

On the basis of the risk exposure as calculated in Table 6, the decision related to accept the change, reject the change or defer it to the next iteration is done on the basis of its impact on the sustainability dimension of economics, social and environment as mentioned in Table 6.

Risk Exposure Level	Score	Risk Exposure Description
Extreme	20-25	 Economic: Budget overrun. Change suspended. Social: Unsatisfied customer/stakeholder. Unable to satisfy customer/stakeholder. Environment: Unable to comply with long term usage.
High	15-19	 Overall: Project failure if risk occurs in execution. Economic: Budget overrun. Reschedule to later Iteration. Social: Incapable to satisfy customer/stakeholder. Environment: Able to comply with long term usage but incur additional charges. Overall: Significantly degrade project capabilities in term of required project standards. Not complete project on time, increases cost and degrade quality.
Medium	10-14	 Economic: Limited budget estimated. Change is possible. Social: Capable to satisfy customer/stakeholder and mange changes. Environment: Able to comply with long term usage with limited additional cost. Overall: Degrade project capabilities in term of required output if risk occurs during the project.
Low	5-9	 Economic: Reasonable budget estimated. Adequate resource to manage changes in the same iteration. Social: Capable to satisfy customer/stakeholder and mange changes. Environment: Able to comply with long term usage without additional cost. Overall: Expected loses have very little impact on project success.
Very Low	0-4	 Economic: Moderate budget estimated. Adequate resource to manage changes in the same iteration. Social: Capable to satisfy customer/stakeholder and provides adequate services and manage all changes. Environment: Capable to comply with long term usage without cost. Overall: Expected loses have no impact on project success.

Risk Exposure Scale adapted by Abdul Rahman et al. (2017)

The exposure level of risk is 'extreme' ranges between 20-25, the change should be suspended as the value of risk exposure shows it is unlikely to change. The required change will affect the sustainability dimension of economic, social and environment and leads towards project failure in case of risk occur during execution. Next, in case the level of risk is high ranges between 15-19, the change should be rescheduled to later iteration. The required request of change can significantly degrade project capabilities in term of required project standards. Project will not complete on time, increases cost and degrade the quality. Moreover, in case, the level of risk is medium and low ranges between 10-14, and 5-9 respectively, the change is possible in current iteration. The required request of change can be possible due to the reasonable budget estimated and adequate resource to manage changes in the same iteration.

Provide a Guideline to Select Prioritization Technique

The second step of Do phase is to provide guidelines to prioritize requirements with considering all the relevant factors that have an effect on priorities with different stakeholder views together (Lehtola et al., 2004). By the insight of the prior literature of requirement prioritization techniques and comparison on different factor of prioritization, this research proposes a framework which will focuses on providing the guideline to select suitable RP technique, with other factors such as stakeholders, project constraints and requirement nature. After the phase of identification, analysis and prioritization, the next stage is the verification and assessment of the changes.

Table 7

Guideline to select prioritization technique after requirement change

RP Techniques	S Strength	W Weakness	O Opportunities	T Threats
Cost-value ranking	 Capability to combine the judgments of both cost and value of requirements for implementation. Cost Value ranking determines top requirements by graph plots to visualize the requirements value against its implementation cost. 	 Time consuming and un-scalable Requirements computational complexity increases in managing interdependencies as the number of requirements increases 		
Value-oriented prioritization (VOP)	• Organization business value is taken into consideration in the prioritization process.	Ignores requirement dependencies.Not suitable for larger project.	 Stakeholder ratings by linking them to identified business values. Customer preferences. 	Reliability of the result.
Cumulative Voting	• Simplicity of the approach.	 Not suitable for large number of requirements. Does not permit evaluation of the relative priority difference among the requirements. 	 Ease of use Customers and stakeholders preferences. Business Value. Cost/Benefit/Penalty. 	Consistency in result.
MoSCoW	 It is consistent, less difficult, less effort required and able to handle large number of alternative. Easily scalable, as it is suitable for both small and large numbers of requirements. 	• The problem comes with its lack of grading within categories. It is difficult to know which <i>SHOULD</i> or <i>COULD</i> requirements are more important than others. Better suited to product with less customers.	 Customers and stakeholders preferences. 	Consistency in result.
Planning Game	 Planning game has a better modification of numerical computation. Easy and fast to complete the prioritization process. 	• Problematic with large number of requirements.	 Ease of use Business Value. Technical Risk 	Time consumed. Reliability of result.
Analytic hierarchy process (AHP)	Ability to resolve conflicting objectives.Provide reliable result.	Time consuming at higher number of requirements.Not scalable so problematic for larger project.	Reliability of the result.Consistency.	The second

Quality Functional Deployment (QFD)	• QFD is a structured methodology for customer needs in the form of "voice of the customer".		 Customers and stakeholders preferences. Business Value. Consistency. 	Complex in execution.Reliability of result.Time consumed.
Binary Search Tree (BST)	• BST could easily scale up to thousands of requirements, and still be a very fast candidate.	 BST does not assign any priority values rather only a simple ranking of requirements. BST shows which requirement is more favourable but the extent to which the requirement is important cannot be known and therefore the comparison is just ordinal. 	-	Complex in execution.Reliability of result.Time consumed.
Wiegers' matrix approach	 Matrix prioritization is easily scalable and based on several criteria (benefit, penalty, cost, and risk.) Spreadsheet auto-calculates the priority values and very easy to conduct. 	• It can be easily manipulated by stakeholders to accomplish their objectives.	 Customers and stakeholders preferences. Technical Risk Cost/Benefit/Penalty. 	Stakeholder biasness.Complex in execution.Time consumed.
Kano Model	 Kano is more concerned to the customer preferences for customer "Trustworthiness". Kano method is the fastest way to prioritize requirements. 	It can only be used for analysing the effects.It is not for suggesting new product features, something that is quite difficult to achieve.	 Ease of use Customers and stakeholders preferences. 	Reliability of the result.ConsistencyTechnical risk
Pair wise analysis	 Criteria for comparing options can remain informal, thereby basing judgments on participants' experiences. 	 Tedious, complicated and provide unreliable results. Ignores level of detail or sophistication of a multi-criteria analysis. Limitation in scalability. 	• Customers and stakeholders preferences.	ConsistencyReliability of the result.Time consumed

3. Check Phase:

The aim of the check phase is the assessment of the ARCM model. The model is assessed using GQM method (Basili et al., 1994; Solingen & Berghout, 1999). This phase assess the process of quality criteria of RCM and the Critical Success Factor (CSF) of Agility by focusing on three main factors i.e. completeness, consistency and accuracy (Baharom, Deraman, Hamdan, & Shafinah, 2012; Heck & Zaidman, 2017). In case the assessment is not satisfied than it will be again referred to the 'Do phase' for analysis.

In ARCM model GQM emphasizes on five main factors of CSF such as 'people', 'process', 'project', 'organization' and 'technical'. As the focus of the requirement change management is in Agile, therefore the business goal in this exercise is to monitor the 'effectiveness' and 'Agile Project Management (APM)' of CSF to achieve the Agile characteristic, hence the process of change management remain Agile. Critical success factor CSF is measured in terms of Agile Project Management Practices (APM) of involvement of good quality 'people', nature of 'project', supportability of working environment in 'organization', and the use of appropriate 'technology' as mentioned in Table 5.4. Moreover, the effectiveness is measured in terms of the level of completeness, consistency and accuracy of the 'processes' in managing requirement change management. The following is the definition of these three quality factors (Baharom, Deraman, Hamdan, & Shafinah, 2012; Heck & Zaidman, 2017).

• *Completeness:* The availability of all relevant data to satisfy the user requirement and all required elements of processes area should be present and as much formalized as possible.

- *Consistency:* All elements should be consistent with each other and with the other process areas and there is an absence of difference, when comparing two or more representations of a thing against a definition.
- *Accuracy:* Each element should be correct and describes the "real world" object or event being described.

4. Act Phase:

The aim of the Act phase is the deployment, verification and continuous improvement for the next iteration of change management process, and finally the closure of the request of change. For further detail of each phases, process, activities and practices are provided in the following Table.



The Flow of ARCM Model

The detailed flow of proposed ARCM Model is illustrated in following Figure 8.

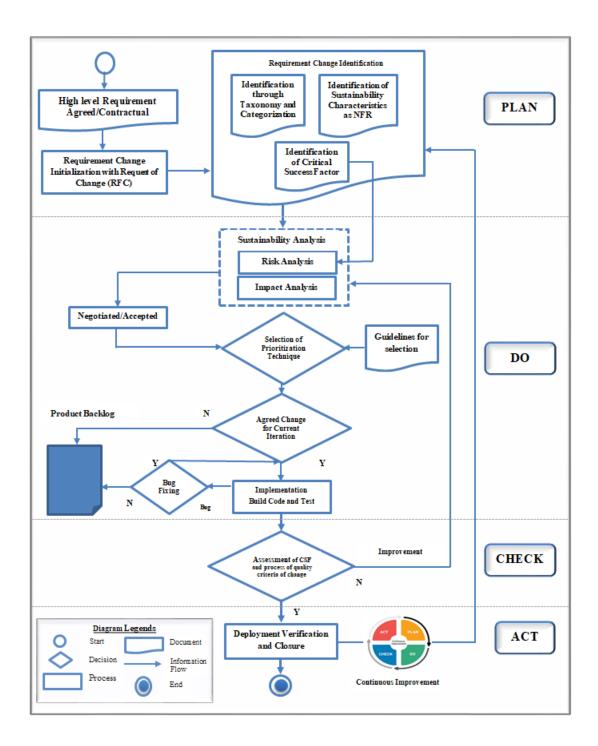


Figure 8: Flow of the ARCM Model

As shown in Figure, the first stage is the change initiation in the form of change request. The requirements change request needs identification in term of classification/categorization. For this study the type of change request consider the sustainability characteristics as a non-functional requirement. Furthermore, the next step is the "sustainability analysis" of the requirement change in the form of risk and impact analysis of change. Afterward, the next step is the dynamic decision making using requirement prioritization. Guideline for the selection of prioritization technique has been provided. Subsequently after the prioritization the next step is to implement the change which consists of the activities to build code and test. In case of failure of verification process, the request is sent to the product backlog to consider it in the next iteration.

Afterward, the quality of RCM process has been assessed using the Critical Success Factor (CSF) of Agile Project Management (APM). In case assessment does not follow Agile characteristics, it goes back to sustainability analysis for the continuous improvement, otherwise it continues towards deployment/verification and closure of change.

Appendix J

Validation Template for Case Study

PLAN PHASE- CHANGE IDENTIFICATION PROCESS

RFC No:							
RFC Description:							
Reason of Change	Selection	Comment					
Product Strategy							
Scope Reduction							
Missing Requirements							
Clarifying Requirements							
Functionality Enhancement							
Design Improvement							
Redundant Functionality							
Obsolete Functionality							
Erroneous Requirements							
Resolving Conflicts							
Defect Fixing							
Other							
A	Selection	Comment					
Origin of change	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
Marketing Group.							
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Sustainability Characteristics Identification	Selection	Comment
Performance Efficiency: The characteristic represents the performance rela	tive to the a	mount of
resources used under stated conditions.		
Time behaviour (The capacity of a product while performing its		
functions to meet requirements regarding response time, throughput and		
processing time)		
Resource utilization (When performing its functions, the amounts and		
types of resources used by a product or system to meet requirements.		
Other Important sub-characteristics related to Performance Efficiency		
(please identify, if any):		
Compatibility: A product, system or component can exchange information	with other	products, systems
or components, and/or perform its required functions, while sharing the	same hardw	are or software
environment.		
Interoperability (degree to which two or more systems, products or		
components can exchange information and use the information that has		
been exchanged.)		
Communication commonality (The degree to which software is		
dependent on its associated hardware.)		
Data commonality (The use of standard data representation.)		
Other Important sub-characteristics related to Compatibility (please		
identify, if any):		
Usability: Feature that enable the system to be user friendly and to	achieve ide	ntified goals with
efficiency, satisfaction and effectiveness.		
Learnability (degree to which a product or system enables the user to		
learn how to use it with effectiveness, efficiency in emergency situations.)		
Understandability (The ability to recognize whether the software is		
appropriate for the user needs.)	aysia	
Operability (The capacity of a product that make it easy to operate and		
control.)		
Attractiveness (User interface assists satisfying and pleasing interaction		
for the user.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Usability (please identify, if any):		
Reliability: The capacity of a product to perform specified functions for a s	specified per	riod of time, under
specified conditions.		
Availability (The capacity of a product or component to be accessible and		
operational at the time of use.)		
Fault tolerance (The capacity of a product to be operated as required in		
spite of the existence of hardware or software faults.)		
Recoverability (The capacity of a product to recover the data and restore		
the state of the system during the event of an interruption or a failure.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Reliability (please identify, if any):		
Security: Degree to which a product or system protects information and		-
products or systems have the degree of data access appropriate to their type		of authorization.
Confidentiality (degree to which the prototype ensures that data are		
accessible only to those authorized to have access.)		
Integrity (degree to which a system, product or component prevents		
unauthorized access to, or modification of, computer programs or data.)		
Authenticity (degree to which the identity of a subject or resource can be		
proved to be the one claimed.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Security (please identify, if any):		······································
Maintainability: The characteristic represents the degree of effectiveness		
product or system can be modified to improve it, correct it or adapt it to characterized	nanges in ei	ivironment, and in
requirements.)		

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Modularity (A discrete component that does not have an impact on other		
components during change.)		
Analysability (A discrete component that does not have an impact on		
other components during change. Diagnose a product for deficiencies or		
causes of failures due to change.)		
Modifiability (Degree to which a product or system can be effectively and		
efficiently modified without introducing defects or degrading existing		
product quality.)		
Extensibility (The level of effort required to implement the extension.)		
Reusability (The capacity of a module or component that can be re-used		
in other software system.)		
Testability (The capacity to construct the test criteria with effectiveness		
and perform tests to meet those criteria.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Maintainability (please identify, if		
any):		
Portability: Capability of the system to run under different computing envir		[
Adaptability (The capacity of product or system to be adopted in different		
hardware, software or other operational environments.)	····· <u>-</u> ·····	
Installability (The capacity of a product to be successfully installed or		
uninstalled in any environment.)	····· <u>-</u> ·····	
Replaceability (The capacity of replacement of a product by another		
software product in the same environment.)	·····	
Other sub-characteristics related to Portability (please identify, if any):		
Functional Suitability: The degree to which a product or system provides	functions th	hat meet stated and
implied needs when used under specified conditions.		1
Functional Completeness (degree to which the set of functions covers all		
the specified tasks and user objectives.)		
Functional Correctness (degree to which the functions provides the		
correct results with the needed degree of precision.)		
Functional Appropriateness (degree to which the functions facilitate the	auria.	
accomplishment of specified tasks and objectives.)	aysia	
Other sub-characteristics related to Functional Suitability (please		
identify, if any):		

DO PHASE- SUSTAINABILITY ANALYSIS

		Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)	
Turne of Dialra	Development Effort	Project Duration	Quality of Project
Type of Risks	(Cost)	p-value	p-value
	p-value		
Business Risk	0.000	0.000	0.000
Technical Risk	0.001	0.000	0.000
Schedule Risk	0.017	0.000	0.003
Cost Risk	0.000	0.002	0.000
Quality Risk	0.000	0.031	0.000
People Risk	0.166	0.000	0.253
Project Risk	0.000	0.000	0.739

Association between Risk and the impact of change using Chi-Squares Tests

The Value of Impact w.r.t Chi-Squares Value

Score	Impact	p-value
5	Severe	000 to 0.002
4	Significance	> 0.002 to 0.004
3	Moderate	> 0.004 to 0.006
2	Minor	> 0.006 to 0.008
1	Negligible	> 0.008 to 0.01
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RFC-1:							
Risk Type	Sustainable Characteristics Dimension	Impact Type(s)	Impact Value	Proba bility	Risk Exposure	Risk Exposure Description	Impact Description
Business Risk	EconomicsIEnvironmentISocialI	Development Effort (Cost)Project duration (Schedule)Project Quality					
Technical Risk	Economics Environment Social	Development Effort (Cost)Project duration (Schedule)Project Quality					
Schedule Risk	Economics Environment Social	Development Effort (Cost)Project duration (Schedule)Project Quality					
Cost Risk	Economics Environment Social	Development Effort (Cost)Project duration (Schedule)Project Quality					
Quality Risk	Economics Environment Social	Development Effort (Cost)Project duration (Schedule)Project Quality					
People Risk	Economics Environment Social	Development Effort (Cost)Project duration (Schedule)Project Quality					
Project Risk	Economics Environment Social	Development Effort (Cost) Project duration (Schedule) Project Quality					
		Total Probability	100 %				

Legends							
Score	Impact	Score	Probability	Туре	Description	Туре	Description
5	Severe	5	Expected	BS	Business Risk	PE	People Risk
4	Significance	4	High	TE	Technical Risk	PE	Project Risk
3	Moderate	3	Moderate	SC	Schedule Risk		
2	Minor	2	Low	CO	Cost Risk		
1	Negligible	1	Not likely	QU	Quality Risk		

Risk Exposure Level	Score	Risk Exposure Description
Extreme	20-25	 Economic: Budget overrun. Change suspended. Social: Unsatisfied customer/stakeholder. Unable to satisfy customer/ stakeholder. Environment: Unable to comply with long term usage. Overall: Project failure if risk occurs in execution.
High	15-19	 Economic: Budget overrun. Reschedule to later Iteration. Social: Incapable to satisfy customer/stakeholder. Environment: Able to comply with long term usage but incur additional charges. Overall: Significantly degrade project capabilities in term of required project standards. Not complete project on time, increases cost and degrade quality.
Medium	10-14	 Economic: Limited budget estimated. Change is possible. Social: Capable to satisfy customer/stakeholder and mange changes. Environment: Able to comply with long term usage with limited additional cost. Overall: Degrade project capabilities in term of required output if risk occurs during the project.
Low	5-9	 Economic: Reasonable budget estimated. Adequate resource to manage changes in the same iteration. Social: Capable to satisfy customer/stakeholder and mange changes. Environment: Able to comply with long term usage without additional cost. Overall: Expected loses have very little impact on project success.
Very Low	0-4	 Economic: Moderate budget estimated. Adequate resource to manage changes in the same iteration. Social: Capable to satisfy customer/stakeholder and provides adequate services and manage all changes. Environment: Capable to comply with long term usage without cost. Overall: Expected loses have no impact on project success.

RP Technique selection after requirement change

RP Techniques	Choice of RP Technique	Reason/Comment
Cost-value ranking		
Value-oriented prioritization (VOP)		
Cumulative Voting		
MoSCoW		
Planning Game		
Analytic hierarchy process (AHP)		
Quality Functional Deployment (QFD)		
Binary Search Tree (BST)		
Wiegers' matrix approach		
Kano Model		
Pair wise analysis		
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CHECK PHASE- ASSESSMENT OF THE ARCM MODEL

Assessment of the Agile RCM Process			
Metric Factor: Process- Completeness Metrics			
Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Change (if needed)
M1: The request of change is identified by considering the source and reason of changes			
M2: Sustainability analysis was performed using Risk matrix			
M3: After change prioritization was performed using the guideline provided.			
M4: Change are implemented successfully			
Metric Factor: Process- Consistency Metrics			•
Metrics(M)		No	Suggestion/Change (if needed)
M5: Changes are identified by considering change categorization appropriately.			
M6: Requirement change analysis was performed by following the standards of requirement change analysis.			
M7: Requirement prioritization was done after every change.			
M8: Appropriate procedure was followed to implement the requirement change.			
Metric Factor: Process- Accuracy Metrics			k
Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Change (if needed)
M9: The requirement change identified by categorization/ classification on the basis of reason and origin of change has arranged correctly.			
M10: Appropriate procedure was used to analyse the requirement change.			
M11: Appropriate procedure was followed to select prioritization technique after requirement change.			
M12: Changes were implemented by following all the standard activities of requirement change.			

Ranking: The score ranged from 0 to 4 Likert scale

where: 0 =Never, 1 =Rarely, 2 =Sometimes, 3 =Often and 4 =Always.

Assessment of the Critical Success Factor-People, Proj	ect,	Org	gani	zati	on, Te	chnology
Metrics		l	Sco	re		Comment
Metric Factor: People						
M13: Team capability	•	1	2	•		
Team members are capable to follow the process of	0	1	2	3	4	
Agile.						
M14: Motivated team members:	0	1	2	3	4	
The current progress of iteration was revealed to						
everyone in the team during iteration.						
M15: Agile process knowledge.	0	1	2	3	4	
All the Team members have the basic Agile process						
knowledge						
M16: Self-organizing teamwork.	0	1	2	3	4	
Team members have the autonomous and make any						
decision related to change.						
M17: Good customer relationship:	0	1	2	3	4	
Customer and end-user involvement were monitored in						
change activity						
M18: Customer involvement:	0	1	2	3	4	
Customers or Project Owner (PO) was available on-site						
for face-to-face discussions during the requirement	ra	м		a	/sia	
change						
Metric Factor: Project						
M19: The nature of project was Non-life-critical.	0	1	2	3	4	
M20: Within the project scope varies with emergent requirement.	0	1	2	3	4	
M21: Project was implemented with small team	0	1	2	3	4	
Metric Factor: Organizational						
M22: Organizational culture and mind set support	0	1	2	3	4	
frequent requirement change in Agile.	<u>^</u>	4	~	~	4	
M23: Management of company support the process of	0	1	2	3	4	
change.						
Metric Factor: Technology						
M22: Organizational culture and mind set support	0	1	2	3	4	
frequent requirement change in Agile.	0	1	2	3	4	
M23: Management of company support the process of change.	U	I	4	3	7	

ACT PHASE- DEPLOYMENT AND VERIFICATION

Following checklist will be used during Act phase:

Event	Agreed/Accepted
Change is agreed as mentioned in the RFC	
Timeline for deployment is acceptable to all stakeholders	
Authorization for deployment	





Appendix K

The Findings of the First Case Study (Company-A)

Target	To determine the acceptability of the ARCM Model in the software company that had experience and mature with the Agile methodologies.					
Project	The case study was performed on the projects produced by organization-A by assessing the Business Intelligence system for Automated Dashboard and Analytics Reporting of Shell company.					
	Roles	Skills	Experiences			
Evaluation	Project Manager	Manager	19			
Team	Team Lead	Manager	14			
Team	Domain Expert	Agile Software Development	16			
	Technical Lead	Front End Development	12			

PLAN PHASE- CHANGE IDENTIFICATION PROCESS

Change Identification		
RFC No: 01		

RFC Description:

Data Corruption should be prevented by applying the possible backup procedures

Reason of Change	Selection	Comment
Product Strategy		
Scope Reduction		
Missing Requirements		
Clarifying Requirements		
Functionality Enhancement		
Design Improvement		
Redundant Functionality		
Obsolete Functionality		
Erroneous Requirements		
Resolving Conflicts		
Defect Fixing	\checkmark	
Other		

Origin of change	Selection	Comment
Marketing Group.		
Project Management Consideration.		
Developer's Detailed Analysis.		
Engineering's Call.		
Customer-Support discussions	\checkmark	
Design Review Feedback		
Technical Team Discussion.		
Defect Report		
Other		

Sustainability Characteristics Identification	Selection	Comment			
Performance Efficiency: The characteristic represents the performance relative to the amount of					
resources used under stated conditions.					
Time behaviour (The capacity of a product while performing its					
functions to meet requirements regarding response time,					
throughput and processing time)					
Resource utilization (When performing its functions, the amounts					
and types of resources used by a product or system to meet					
requirements.					
Other Important sub-characteristics related to Performance					
Efficiency (please identify, if any):					
Compatibility: A product, system or component can exchange info		· ·			
systems or components, and/or perform its required functions, while	sharing the	same hardware or			
software environment.					
Interoperability (degree to which two or more systems, products					
or components can exchange information and use the information					
that has been exchanged.)					
Communication commonality (The degree to which software is					
dependent on its associated hardware.)					
Data commonality (The use of standard data representation.)					
Other Important sub-characteristics related to Compatibility					
(please identify, if any):					
Usability: Feature that enable the system to be user friendly and to achieve identified goals with					
efficiency, satisfaction and effectiveness.					
Learnability (degree to which a produc-t or system enables the					
user to learn how to use it with effectiveness, efficiency in					
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emergency situations.)		
Understandability (The ability to recognize whether the software		
is appropriate for the user needs.)		
Operability (The capacity of a product that make it easy to operate		
and control.)		
Attractiveness (User interface assists satisfying and pleasing		
interaction for the user.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Usability (please identify, if		
any):		
Reliability: The capacity of a product to perform specified functions	for a specif	fied period of time,
under specified conditions.	_	-
Availability (The capacity of a product or component to be	_	
accessible and operational at the time of use.)		
Fault tolerance (The capacity of a product to be operated as		
required in spite of the existence of hardware or software faults.)		
Recoverability (The capacity of a product to recover the data and		
restore the state of the system during the event of an interruption or	\checkmark	
a failure.)	•	
Other sub-characteristics related to Reliability (please identify, if	 	
any):		
Security: Degree to which a product or system protects information	and data so	that persons or
other products or systems have the degree of data access appropriate		
authorization.	to then type	
Confidentiality (degree to which the prototype ensures that data		
are accessible only to those authorized to have access.)		
Integrity (degree to which a system, product or component		
prevents unauthorized access to, or modification of, computer		
programs or data.)		
Authenticity (degree to which the identity of a subject or resource		
can be proved to be the one claimed.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Security (please identify, if	avsia	
any): Maintainability: The characteristic represents the degree of effe		ad afficiency with
		2
which a product or system can be modified to improve it, correct environment, and in requirements.)	a it or adap	or it to changes in
	r	
Modularity (A discrete component that does not have an impact		
on other components during change.)		
Analysability (A discrete component that does not have an impact		
on other components during change. Diagnose a product for		
deficiencies or causes of failures due to change.)		
Modifiability (Degree to which a product or system can be		
effectively and efficiently modified without introducing defects or		
degrading existing product quality.)		
Extensibility (The level of effort required to implement the		
extension.)		
Reusability (The capacity of a module or component that can be		
re-used in other software system.)		
Testability (The capacity to construct the test criteria with effectiveness and perform tests to meet those criteria.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Maintainability (please		
identify, if any):	na onviron	onte
Portability: Capability of the system to run under different computing Adaptability (The comparity of product or system to be adopted in		ients
Adaptability (The capacity of product or system to be adopted in		

different hardware, software or other operational environments.)		
Installability (The capacity of a product to be successfully		
installed or uninstalled in any environment.)		
Replaceability (The capacity of replacement of a product by		
another software product in the same environment.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Portability (please identify, if		
any):		
Functional Suitability: The degree to which a product or system	provides f	unctions that meet
stated and implied needs when used under specified conditions.		
Functional Completeness (degree to which the set of functions		
covers all the specified tasks and user objectives.)		
Functional Correctness (degree to which the functions provides		
the correct results with the needed degree of precision.)		
Functional Appropriateness (degree to which the functions		
facilitate the accomplishment of specified tasks and objectives.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Functional Suitability (please		
identify, if any):	Ш	

DO PHASE- SUSTAINABILITY ANALYSIS

Risks Associated with Cost "CO" (Risks associated with cost of developing the project/product)

:#	RISK TYPE	Impact On
		Development Effort (Cost) √
1	Business Risk	Project Duration
		Quality of Project
		Development Effort (Cost)
2	Technical Risk	Project Duration
		Quality of Project
		Development Effort (Cost)
3	Schedule Risk	Project Duration
		Quality of Project
		Development Effort (Cost)
4	Cost Risk	Project Duration
		Quality of Project
		Development Effort (Cost)
5	Quality Risk	Project Duration
		Quality of Project
		Development Effort (Cost)
6	People Risk	Project Duration
		Quality of Project
		Development Effort (Cost)
7	Project Risk	Project Duration
		Quality of Project

		Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)		
Type of Risks	Development Effort (Cost)	Project Duration p-value	Quality of Project p-value	
	p-value			
Business Risk	0.000	0.000	0.000	
Technical Risk	0.001	0.000	0.000	
Schedule Risk	0.017	0.000	0.003	
Cost Risk	0.000	0.002	0.000	
Quality Risk	0.000	0.031	0.000	
People Risk	0.166	0.000	0.253	
Project Risk	0.000	0.000	0.739	

Association between Risk and the impact of change using Chi-Squares Tests

The Value of Impact w.r.t Chi-Squares Value

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4	Significance	> 0.002 to 0.004
3	Moderate	> 0.004 to 0.006
2	Minor	> 0.006 to 0.008
1	Negligible	> 0.008 to 0.01

Risks Associated with Cost "CO" (Risks associated with cost of developing the project/product)

Sr. #	DESCRIPTION	Applicable	Impact
1	Project will exceed initial cost estimates for the development or maintenance of the project	Malaysia	5
2	A revenue risk, or commercial risk (in revenue-based contracts), depending on the customer and criticality of application	N/A	
3	Costs associated with late delivery	N/A	
4	Costs associated with a defective product	N/A	

RFC-1: System should be able to cater 10,000 users simultaneously.

Risk Type	Sustainable Characteristics Dimension	Impact Type(s)	Impact Value	Proba bility	Risk Exposure	Risk Exposure Description <i>Refer to Table 6</i> Risk Exposure (Appendix I - Guideline Document for ARCM Model)	Impact Description By Practitioner
Business Risk	Economics Environment Social	Development Effort (Cost) √ Project duration (Schedule) □ Project Quality □	5	2	10	Economic: Limited budget estimated. Change is possible. Social: Capable to satisfy customer/stakeholder and mange changes. Environment: Able to comply with long term usage with limited additional cost. Overall: Degrade project capabilities in term of required output if risk occurs during the project.	Project will exceed initial cost estimates for the development or maintenance of the project
Technical Risk	Economics Environment Social	Development Effort (Cost) Project duration (Schedule)					
Schedule Risk	SocialEconomicsEnvironmentSocial	Project QualityImage: Constraint of the second					
Cost Risk	Economics□Environment□Social□	Development Effort (Cost)Project duration (Schedule)Project Quality					

RFC-1: System should be able to cater 10,000 users simultaneously.

Risk Type	Sustainable Characteristics Dimension		Impact Type(s)	Impact Value	Proba bility	Risk Exposure	Risk Exposure Description <i>Refer to Table 6</i> Risk Exposure (Appendix I - Guideline Document for ARCM Model)	Impact Description By Practitioner
Quality Risk	Economics]	Development Effort (Cost)					
	Environment]	Project duration (Schedule) \Box					
	Social		Project Quality					
People Risk	Economics]	Development Effort (Cost)					
	Environment]	Project duration (Schedule)					
	Social		Project Quality					
Project Risk	Economics]	Development Effort (Cost)					
	Environment]	Project duration (Schedule) \Box					
	Social]	Project Quality					
			Total Probability	40 %				·

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Legends							
Score	Impact	Score	Probability	Туре	Description	Туре	Description
5	Severe	5	Expected	BS	Business Risk	PE	People Risk
4	Significance	4	High	TE	Technical Risk	PE	Project Risk
3	Moderate	3	Moderate	SC	Schedule Risk		
2	Minor	2	Low	CO	Cost Risk		
1	Negligible	1	Not likely	QU	Quality Risk		

Selection of Requirement Prioritization Technique

Refer to Table 7 Guideline to select prioritization technique after requirement change

(Appendix I Guideline Document for ARCM Model)

RP Techniques	Choice of RP Technique	Reason/Comment
Cost-value ranking		
Value-oriented prioritization (VOP)	4	Organization business value is the main concern while choosing the prioritization technique.
Cumulative Voting		
MoSCoW		
Planning Game		
Analytic hierarchy process (AHP)		
Quality Functional Deployment (QFD)		
Binary Search Tree (BST)		
Wiegers' matrix approach		
Kano Model		
Pair wise analysis		

CHECK PHASE- ASSESSMENT OF THE ARCM MODEL

Assessment of the Agile RCM Process					
Metric Factor: Process- Completeness Metrics					
Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Change (if needed)		
M1: The request of change is identified by considering the source and reason of changes	V		The participants indicated that all the		
M2: Sustainability analysis was performed using Risk matrix	V		processes and activities perform to manage change in the proposed		
M3: After change prioritization was performed using the guideline provided.	V		model are sufficient managing RCM in AS		
M4: Change are implemented successfully	1				
Metric Factor: Process- Consistency Metrics					
Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Change (if needed)		
M5: Changes are identified by considering change categorization appropriately.	1		For the proposed ARCM model all the RCM		
M6: Requirement change analysis was performed by following the standards of requirement change analysis.	1		processes are appropriate and following the		
M7: Requirement prioritization was done after every change.	1		standards of requirement change analysis and change implementation		
M8: Appropriate procedure was followed to implement the requirement change.	_√ Ma	avs			
Metric Factor: Process- Accuracy Metrics		.1			
Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Change (if needed)		
M9: The requirement change identified by categorization/ classification on the basis of reason and origin of change has arranged correctly.	V		The processes of ARCM model for requiremen change identified by categorization/		
M10: Appropriate procedure was used to analyse the requirement change.	V		classification on the basis of reason and origin of change has arranged		
M11: Appropriate procedure was followed to select prioritization technique after requirement change.	V		correctly. Moreover an appropriate procedure wa used to analyse the		
M12: Changes were implemented by following all the standard activities of requirement change.	V		requirement change and the selection of prioritization technique after requiremen change. Changes were implemented by following all the standard activities o requirement change.		

Ranking: The score ranged from 0 to 4 Likert scale

where: 0 =Never, 1 =Rarely, 2 =Sometimes, 3 =Often and 4 =Always.

Metrics	,		sam Sco		1011, 1	echnology Comment
victures			500	re		Comment
Metric Factor: People	i					
M13: Team capability						
Team members are capable to follow the process of	0	1	2	3	4	4
Agile.						
M14: Motivated team members:	0	1	2	3	4	
The current progress of iteration was revealed to						2
everyone in the team during iteration.						
M15: Agile process knowledge.	0	1	2	3	4	
All the Team members have the basic Agile process						4
knowledge						
M16: Self-organizing teamwork.	0	1	2	3	4	•
Team members have the autonomous and make any						2
decision related to change.						
M17: Good customer relationship:	0	1	2	3	4	3
Customer and end-user involvement were monitored in						3
change activity						
M18: Customer involvement:	0	1	2	3	4	
Customers or Project Owner (PO) was available on-site						2
for face-to-face discussions during the requirement						
change	.1	C	1		C	
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi						((4+2+4+2+3+2)/
each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the	nigr	iest	var	ue o	i the	6) /4 = 0.708 *100
score. The result is then multiplied by 100%.						=70.83 %
Metric Factor: Project						
M19: The nature of project was Non-life-critical.	0	1	2	3	4	3
M20: Within the project scope varies with emergent	0	1	2	3	4	3
requirement.						
M21: Project was implemented with small team	0	1	2	3	4	3
main main main main and and and and and and and and and an	th a	fina	al sc	ore	for	((3+3+3) / 3) /4 = 0.75
· ·						*100
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi		nest	val	uc o		
· ·		nest	val	ue o		=75 %
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the		nest	val	ue o		=75 %
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the score. The result is then multiplied by 100%.		nest	2 val	3	4	=75 %
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the score. The result is then multiplied by 100%. Metric Factor: Organizational M22: Organizational culture and mind set support frequent requirement change in Agile.	high 0		2	3		
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the score. The result is then multiplied by 100%. Metric Factor: Organizational M22: Organizational culture and mind set support frequent requirement change in Agile. M23: Management of company support the process of	higł				4	
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the score. The result is then multiplied by 100%. Metric Factor: Organizational M22: Organizational culture and mind set support frequent requirement change in Agile. M23: Management of company support the process of change.	high 0 0	1	2	3	4	4
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the score. The result is then multiplied by 100%. Metric Factor: Organizational M22: Organizational culture and mind set support frequent requirement change in Agile. M23: Management of company support the process of	high 0 0 th a	1 1 fina	2 2 al sc	3 3 core	4 for	4

Metric Factor: Technology						
M22: Organizational culture and mind set support frequent requirement change in Agile.	0	1	2	3	4	3
M23: Management of company support the process of change.	0	1	2	3	4	3
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up with a final score for each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the highest value of the score. The result is then multiplied by 100%.				((3+3) /2) /4 = 0.75 *100 =75 %		

Based on this percentage, each factor is assessed based on the (NPLF) rating scale that adapted from ISO/IEC 15504, where "N = not achieved (0 - 15%), P = partially achieved (>15- 50%), L = largely achieved (> 50 - 85%) and F = fully achieved (> 85-

100%)", which demonstrate fulfilment of the process factors.

Metric Factor	Percentage	Indicator
People	70.83%	Largely Achieved
Project	75%	Largely Achieved
Organization	87.5%	Fully Achieved
Technology	75%	Largely Achieved

ACT PHASE- DEPLOYMENT AND VERIFICATION

Following checklist will be used during Act phase:

Event	Agreed/Accepted
Change is agreed as mentioned in the RFC	\checkmark
Timeline for deployment is acceptable to all stakeholders	\checkmark
Authorization for deployment	\checkmark

The Validation Form

Please validate and give comments on the below mentioned issues on the ARCM Model's implementation

	Extremely	Moderately	Agree	Neutral	Extremely	Moderately	Disagree
Perceived Ease of Use	Agree	Agree			Disagree	Disagree	
Demonstration of ADCM and the simula							
Representation of ARCM model is simple	\checkmark						
It is simple to understand the process, activities and practices of Agile Requirement change Management (ARCM).		\checkmark					
It is simple to understand and apply sustainability Analysis during change management process.		\checkmark					
It is simple to implement ARCM model for change management process in Agile development.	\checkmark						
ARCM Model needs training to fully understand it				\checkmark			
Perceived Usefulness	Extremely	Moderately	Agree	Neutral	Extremely	Moderately	Disagree
rerceived Userumess	Agree	Agree			Disagree	Disagree	
Requirement change in Agile was difficult to perform without ARCM Model.			\checkmark				
Using ARCM Model gives the greater control over Requirement Change	\checkmark						

Management (RCM) process.							
ARCM Model enables to accomplish RCM process more quickly and save the time.	\checkmark						
Using ARCM Model enhances the effectiveness of requirement change process in Agile.	\checkmark						
Using ARCM Model improves the quality of the RCM process.	\checkmark						
Using ARCM Model makes it easier to do change process.	\checkmark						
Using ARCM Model increases the overall productivity.		\checkmark					
	Extremely	Moderately	Agree	Neutral	Extremely	Moderately	Disagree
Structure of ARCM Model	Agree	Agree	8		Disagree	Disagree	8
Structure of ARCM ModelThe core components of ARCM are self- exploratory and no need of further explanation to be used effectively.	v	-			·	•	
The core components of ARCM are self- exploratory and no need of further	v	-			·	•	
The core components of ARCM are self- exploratory and no need of further explanation to be used effectively. The ARCM components are practical and could be used in software industry	v	-			·	•	

Appendix L

The Findings of the Second Case Study (Company-B)

Target	To determine the acceptability of the ARCM Model in the software company that was the novice in adopting Agile methodology						
Project	-	s performed on the proj uman Resource, Payroll & ed software solution.	i v				
	Roles	Skills	Experiences				
	Project Manager	Manager	14 Years				
Evaluation	Team Lead	Manager	12 Years				
Team	Domain Expert	Agile Software	15 Years				
		Development					
	2-Technical Lead	Front End Development	12, 8 Years				

PLAN PHASE- CHANGE IDENTIFICATION PROCESS

Change Identification		
RFC No: 01	iversiti utara	Maraysia
RFC Description:		
New user should be able to naviga	te links within 05 minutes.	
Reason of Change	Selection	Comment
Product Strategy		
Scope Reduction		
Missing Requirements		
Clarifying Requirements	√	
Functionality Enhancement		
Design Improvement		
Redundant Functionality		
Obsolete Functionality		
Erroneous Requirements		
Resolving Conflicts		
Defect Fixing		
Other		

Origin of change	Selection	Comment
Marketing Group.		
Project Management Consideration.		
Developer's Detailed Analysis.		
Engineering's Call.		
Customer-Support discussions		
Design Review Feedback		
Technical Team Discussion.	\checkmark	
Defect Report		
Other		

Sustainability Characteristics Identification	Selection	Comment							
Performance Efficiency: The characteristic represents the performance relative to the amount of									
resources used under stated conditions.									
Time behaviour (The capacity of a product while performing its									
functions to meet requirements regarding response time,									
throughput and processing time)									
Resource utilization (When performing its functions, the amounts									
and types of resources used by a product or system to meet									
requirements.									
Other Important sub-characteristics related to Performance									
Efficiency (please identify, if any):									
Compatibility: A product, system or component can exchange info									
systems or components, and/or perform its required functions, while	sharing the	same hardware or							
software environment.	,	-							
Interoperability (degree to which two or more systems, products									
or components can exchange information and use the information									
that has been exchanged.)									
Communication commonality (The degree to which software is									
dependent on its associated hardware.)									
Data commonality (The use of standard data representation.)									
Other Important sub-characteristics related to Compatibility									
(please identify, if any):									
Usability: Feature that enable the system to be user friendly and to	achieve id	entified goals with							
efficiency, satisfaction and effectiveness.									
Learnability (degree to which a product or system enables the									
user to learn how to use it with effectiveness, efficiency in									
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emergency situations.)		
Understandability (The ability to recognize whether the software		
is appropriate for the user needs.)		
Operability (The capacity of a product that make it easy to operate		
and control.)		
Attractiveness (User interface assists satisfying and pleasing		
interaction for the user.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Usability (please identify, if		
any):		
Reliability: The capacity of a product to perform specified functions	s for a specit	fied period of time,
under specified conditions.		
Availability (The capacity of a product or component to be		
accessible and operational at the time of use.)		
Fault tolerance (The capacity of a product to be operated as		
required in spite of the existence of hardware or software faults.)		
Recoverability (The capacity of a product to recover the data and		
restore the state of the system during the event of an interruption or		
a failure.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Reliability (please identify, if		
any):		
Security: Degree to which a product or system protects information	and data so	that persons or
other products or systems have the degree of data access appropriate	to their type	es and levels of
authorization.		
Confidentiality (degree to which the prototype ensures that data		
are accessible only to those authorized to have access.)		
Integrity (degree to which a system, product or component		
prevents unauthorized access to, or modification of, computer		
programs or data.)		
Authenticity (degree to which the identity of a subject or resource		
can be proved to be the one claimed.)	ayusia	
Other sub-characteristics related to Security (please identify, if		
any):		
Maintainability: The characteristic represents the degree of effe		•
which a product or system can be modified to improve it, correct	ct it or adap	ot it to changes in
environment, and in requirements.)	-	1
Modularity (A discrete component that does not have an impact		
on other components during change.)		
Analysability (A discrete component that does not have an impact		
on other components during change. Diagnose a product for		
deficiencies or causes of failures due to change.)		
Modifiability (Degree to which a product or system can be		
effectively and efficiently modified without introducing defects or		
degrading existing product quality.)		
Extensibility (The level of effort required to implement the		
extension.)		
Reusability (The capacity of a module or component that can be		
re-used in other software system.)		
Testability (The capacity to construct the test criteria with		
effectiveness and perform tests to meet those criteria.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Maintainability (please		
identify, if any):		
Portability: Capability of the system to run under different computi-	ng environn	nents

Adaptability (The capacity of product or system to be adopted in different hardware, software or other operational environments.)		
Installability (The capacity of a product to be successfully installed or uninstalled in any environment.)		
Replaceability (The capacity of replacement of a product by another software product in the same environment.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Portability (please identify, if any):		
Functional Suitability: The degree to which a product or system	provides f	unctions that meet
stated and implied needs when used under specified conditions.		
Functional Completeness (degree to which the set of functions covers all the specified tasks and user objectives.)		
Functional Correctness (degree to which the functions provides the correct results with the needed degree of precision.)		
Functional Appropriateness (degree to which the functions facilitate the accomplishment of specified tasks and objectives.)		
Other sub-characteristics related to Functional Suitability (please identify, if any):		

DO PHASE- SUSTAINABILITY ANALYSIS

Risks Associated with Cost "CO" (Risks associated with cost of developing the project/product)

Sr. #	RISK TYPE	Impact	On
6		Development Effort (Cost)	
1	Business Risk	Project Duration	
		Quality of Project	
		Development Effort (Cost)	
2	Technical Risk	Project Duration	lalaysia
		Quality of Project	
		Development Effort (Cost)	
3	Schedule Risk	Project Duration	\checkmark
		Quality of Project	
		Development Effort (Cost)	
4	Cost Risk	Project Duration	
		Quality of Project	
		Development Effort (Cost)	
5	Quality Risk	Project Duration	
		Quality of Project	
		Development Effort (Cost)	
6	People Risk	Project Duration	
		Quality of Project	
_		Development Effort (Cost)	
7	Project Risk	Project Duration	
		Quality of Project	

		Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)						
Type of Risks	Development Effort (Cost)	Project Duration p-value	Quality of Project p-value					
	p-value							
Business Risk	0.000	0.000	0.000					
Technical Risk	0.001	0.000	0.000					
Schedule Risk	0.017	0.000	0.003					
Cost Risk	0.000	0.002	0.000					
Quality Risk	0.000	0.031	0.000					
People Risk	0.166	0.000	0.253					
Project Risk	0.000	0.000	0.739					

Association between Risk and the impact of change using Chi-Squares Tests

The Value of Impact w.r.t Chi-Squares Value

Score	Impact	p-value
5	Severe	000 to 0.002
4	Significance	> 0.002 to 0.004
3	Moderate	> 0.004 to 0.006
2	Minor	> 0.006 to 0.008
1	Negligible	> 0.008 to 0.01

Risks Associated With Schedule "Sch" (Risks associated with schedule of developing the project/product)

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Sr. #	DESCRIPTION	Applicable	Impact
1	New requirements/enhancements will effect the schedule	Yes	5
2	The milestones that are set will not be met	N/A	
3	Milestones are not flexible and realistic	N/A	
4	Costs associated with a defective product	N/A	

RFC-1:	
System should be able to cater 10,000 users simultaneous	usly.

Risk Type	Sustainable Characteristics Dimension	Impact Type(s)	Impact Value	Proba bility	Risk Exposure	Risk Exposure Description <i>Refer to Table 6</i> Risk Exposure (Appendix I - Guideline Document for ARCM Model)	Impact Description By Practitioner
Business Risk	Economics Environment	Development Effort (Cost)					
	Social	Project duration (Schedule) Project Quality					
Technical Risk	Economics Environment	Development Effort (Cost)Image: Development Project duration (Schedule)Image: Development Effort (Cost)Image: Development Project duration (Schedule)					
	Social	Project Quality				F • D 11	
Schedule Risk	Economics Environment Social	Development Effort (Cost) □ Project duration (Schedule) √ Project Quality □	5	1	5	Economic: Reasonable budget estimated. Adequate resource to manage changes in the same iteration. Social: Capable to satisfy customer/stakeholder and mange changes. Environment: Able to comply with long term usage without additional cost. Overall: Expected loses have very little impact on project success.	New requirements can effect the schedule but it can be manageable within the same iteration
Cost Risk	Economics Environment	Development Effort (Cost)					

RFC-1: System should be able to cater 10,000 users simultaneously.

Risk Type	Sustainable Characteristics Dimension		Impact Type(s)	Impact Value	Proba bility	Risk Exposure	Risk Exposure Description <i>Refer to Table 6</i> Risk Exposure (Appendix I - Guideline Document for ARCM Model)	Impact Description By Practitioner
	Social		Project duration (Schedule)					
			Project Quality					
Quality Risk	Economics		Development Effort (Cost)					
	Environment		Project duration (Schedule) \Box					
	Social		Project Quality					
People Risk	Economics		Development Effort (Cost)					
	Environment		Project duration (Schedule)					
	Social		Project Quality					
Project Risk	Economics		Development Effort (Cost)					
	Environment		Project duration (Schedule)					
	Social		Project Quality					
			Total Probability	20 %			•	

	Legends									
Score	Impact	Туре	Description							
5	Severe	5	Expected	BS	Business Risk	PE	People Risk			
4	Significance	4	High	TE	Technical Risk	PE	Project Risk			
3	Moderate	3	Moderate	SC	Schedule Risk					
2	Minor	2	Low	CO	Cost Risk					
1	Negligible	1	Not likely	QU	Quality Risk					

Selection of Requirement Prioritization Technique

Refer to Table 7 Guideline to select prioritization technique after requirement change

(Appendix I Guideline Document for ARCM Model)

RP Techniques	Choice of RP Technique	Reason/Comment
Cost-value ranking		
Value-oriented prioritization (VOP)		
Cumulative Voting		
MoSCoW		
Planning Game		
Analytic hierarchy process (AHP)		
Quality Functional Deployment (QFD)		
Binary Search Tree (BST)		
Wiegers' matrix approach		
Kano Model	\checkmark	Kano is more concerned to the customer preferences and it is the fastest way to prioritize requirements.
Pair wise analysis		

CHECK PHASE- ASSESSMENT OF THE ARCM MODEL

Assessment of the Agile RCM Process					
Metric Factor: Process- Completeness Metrics					
Metrics(M)	No	Suggestion/Change (if needed)			
M1: The request of change is identified by considering the source and reason of changes	V		The proposed ARCM model is found to be		
M2: Sustainability analysis was performed using Risk matrix	V		adequate and sufficient in managing RCM process in Agile in the real world environment.		
M3: After change prioritization was performed using the guideline provided.	V				
M4: Change are implemented successfully	\checkmark				
Metric Factor: Process- Consistency Metrics					
Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Change (if needed)		
M5: Changes are identified by considering change categorization appropriately.	V		The participants found that the proposed model is		
M6: Requirement change analysis was performed by following the standards of requirement change analysis.	V		internally consistent, and al the processes incorporate each other. In particular, i		
M7: Requirement prioritization was done after every change.	V		starts with identification of reason and origin of change		
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M8: Appropriate procedure was followed to implement the requirement change.	V		of impact and risk analysis. The RCM process is then continued with proper implementation of change.		
Metric Factor: Process- Accuracy Metrics					
Metrics(M)	Yes	No	Suggestion/Change (if needed)		
M9: The requirement change identified by categorization/ classification on the basis of reason and origin of change has arranged correctly.	V		All the processes of ARCM model has arranged correctly and following all		
M10: Appropriate procedure was used to analyse the requirement change.	V		the standard activities of managing requirement		
M11: Appropriate procedure was followed to select prioritization technique after requirement change.	1		change in ASD.		
M12: Changes were implemented by following all the standard activities of requirement change.	V				

Ranking: The score ranged from 0 to 4 Likert scale

where: 0 =Never, 1 =Rarely, 2 =Sometimes, 3 =Often and 4 =Always.

Assessment of the Critical Success Factor-People, Proj		
Metrics	Score	Comment
Metric Factor: People		
M13: Team capability		
Team members are capable to follow the process of	0 1 2 3 4	3
Agile.		
M14: Motivated team members:	0 1 2 3 4	
The current progress of iteration was revealed to		1
everyone in the team during iteration.		
M15: Agile process knowledge.	0 1 2 3 4	_
All the Team members have the basic Agile process		3
knowledge		
M16: Self-organizing teamwork.	0 1 2 3 4	_
Team members have the autonomous and make any		1
decision related to change.		
M17: Good customer relationship:	0 1 2 3 4	
Customer and end-user involvement were monitored in		2
change activity		
M18: Customer involvement:	0 1 2 3 4	
Customers or Project Owner (PO) was available on-site		2
for face-to-face discussions during the requirement		
change		
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi		((3+1+3+1+2+2))
each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the	highest value of the	6) /4 = 0.5*100
score. The result is then multiplied by 100%.		=50 %
Metric Factor: Project		
M19: The nature of project was Non-life-critical.	0 1 2 3 4	4
M20: Within the project scope varies with emergent	0 1 2 3 4	4
requirement.		
M21: Project was implemented with small team	0 1 2 3 4	3
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi	th a final score for	((4+4+3) / 3) /4 = 0.92
each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the		*100
score. The result is then multiplied by 100%.	0	=91 %
Metric Factor: Organizational		
M22: Organizational culture and mind set support	0 1 2 3 4	2
frequent requirement change in Agile.	· ·	_
M23: Management of company support the process of	0 1 2 3 4	3
change.		
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up wi		((2+3)/2)/4 =
each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the	highest value of the	0.625 *100
score. The result is then multiplied by 100%.		=62.5 %

Metric Factor: Technology						
M22: Organizational culture and mind set support frequent requirement change in Agile.	0	1	2	3	4	2
M23: Management of company support the process of change.	0	1	2	3	4	2
Mean is calculated for each factor practices to come up w each quality factor. Then the average is divided by (4) the	((2+2) /2) /4 = 0.5 *100					
score. The result is then multiplied by 100%.						=50 %

Based on this percentage, each factor is assessed based on the (NPLF) rating scale that adapted from ISO/IEC 15504, where "N = not achieved (0 - 15%), P = partially achieved (>15- 50%), L = largely achieved (> 50 - 85%) and F = fully achieved (> 85-

100%)", which demonstrate fulfilment of the process factors.

Metric Factor	Percentage	Indicator
People	50%	Partially Achieved
Project	91%	Fully Achieved
Organization	62.5%	Largely Achieved
Technology	50%	Partially Achieved

ACT PHASE- DEPLOYMENT AND VERIFICATION

Following checklist will be used during Act phase:

Event	Agreed/Accepted
Change is agreed as mentioned in the RFC	\checkmark
Timeline for deployment is acceptable to all stakeholders	\checkmark
Authorization for deployment	\checkmark

Appendix M

Cross Case Analysis of Company A and B

The overall perception on the ARCM Model's implementation

Perceived Ease of Use	Extremely Agree	Moderately Agree	Agree	Neutral	Extremely Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Disagree
Representation of ARCM model is simple		\checkmark					
It is simple to understand the process, activities and practices of Agile Requirement change Management (ARCM).			\checkmark				
It is simple to understand and apply sustainability Analysis during change management process.			\checkmark				
It is simple to implement ARCM model for change management process in Agile development.	\checkmark						
ARCM Model needs training to fully understand it							\checkmark

Perceived Usefulness	Extremely Agree	Moderately Agree	Agree	Neutral	Extremely Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Disagree
Requirement change in Agile was difficult to perform without ARCM Model.				\checkmark			
Using ARCM Model gives the greater control over Requirement Change Management (RCM) process.		\checkmark					
ARCM Model enables to accomplish RCM process more quickly and save the time.		\checkmark					
Using ARCM Model enhances the effectiveness of requirement change process in Agile.	\checkmark						
Using ARCM Model improves the quality of the RCM process.			\checkmark				
Using ARCM Model makes it easier to do change process.		\checkmark					
Using ARCM Model increases the overall productivity.			\checkmark				
Structure of ARCM Model	Extremely Agree	Moderately Agree	Agree	Neutral	Extremely Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Disagree
The core components of ARCM are self- exploratory and no need of further explanation to be used effectively.				\checkmark			
The ARCM components are practical and could be used in software industry practicing Agile.			\checkmark				

The implementation of ARCM could assist an organization to identify issues related to requirement change.			\checkmark		
The components of ARCM model are enough to perform the complete process of change in Agile software development.		\checkmark			



			N	lo of Pa	rticipan					
		Positive	(+ Ve)			Negativ	ve (- Ve))		
Perceived Ease of Use (PEOU)	Extremely Agree (EA)	Moderately Agree (MA)	Agree (A)	EA+MA+A	Extremely Disagree (ED)	Moderately Disagree (MD)	Disagree (D)	ED+MD+D	Neutral	Comment
Representation of ARCM Model is simple.	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	The result reveals that the model was
It is simple to understand the process, activities and practices of Agile Requirement change Management (ARCM).	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	perceived as easy to use due to its welldefinedprocessactivitiesand
It is simple to understand and apply sustainability Analysis during change management process.	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	techniques. The result represents that the participants were positively agreed with
It is simple to implement ARCM Model for change management process in Agile development.	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	the questions regarding the perceived ease of use (PEOU) of ARCM Model.
ARCM Model needs the training session for the team members to fully understand it	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	Moreover one participant was disagree concerning the need of conducting training sessions to completely understand the use of model and one was neutral

Cross Case Analysis of Company A and B - Perceived Ease of Use-PEOU

		Positive	(+ Ve)		I	Negative (- Ve)				
Perceived Usefulness (PU)	Extremely Agree (EA)	Moderately Agree (MA)	Agree (A)	EA+MA+A	Extremely Disagree (ED)	Moderately Disagree (MD)	Disagree (D)	ED+MD+D	Neutral	Comment
Requirement change in Agile was difficult to perform without ARCM Model.	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	All the participants have positively responded and highlighted that it
Using ARCM Model gives the greater control over Requirement Change Management (RCM) process.	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	would be useful to their company as this model enables to accomplish
ARCM Model enables to accomplish RCM process more quickly and save the time.	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	RCM process more quickly and save the time and make easier to
Using ARCM Model enhances the effectiveness of requirement change process in Agile.	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	manage changes in Agile development. Moreover, both
Using ARCM Model improves the quality of the RCM process.	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	companies have selected the positive category of the
Using ARCM Model makes it easier to do change process.	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	questionnaire. It shows that the organization were confident with
Using ARCM Model increases the overall productivity.	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	the assessment results of ARCM.

Cross Case Analysis of Company A and B - Perceived Usefulness (PU)

Cross Case Analysis of Company A and B - Structure of ARCM

	No of Participants (n=2)											
]	Positive	(+ Ve)		I	Negativ	e (- Ve))				
Structure of ARCM	Extremely Agree (EA)	Moderately Agree (MA)	Agree (A)	EA+MA+A	Extremely Disagree (ED)	Moderately Disagree (MD)	Disagree (D)	ED+MD+D	Neutral	Comment		
The core components of ARCM are self-										The participants agreed that the proposed		
exploratory and no need of further	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	ARCM Model is well structured and it contains		
explanation to be used effectively.										all the components which were enough to		
The ARCM components are practical and could be used in software industry.	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	perform the complete process of change in Agile. Moreover, the model is practical and		
The implementation of ARCM could assist										could be used in software industry practicing		
an organization to identify issues related to requirement change.	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	Agile		
The components of ARCM Model are enough to perform the complete process of change in Agile software development.	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0			