

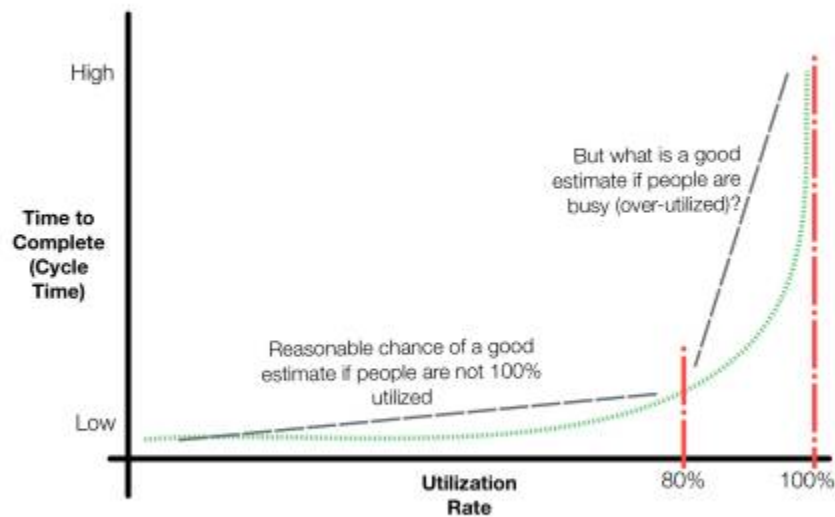
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Note: Work-in-progress at the moment. Got the picture, but need the words.

Have a look at the following image:



As you can see, as you increase the utilization rate of people, the amount of time it takes to complete something on average increases, and after about 80% increases dramatically. If you are trying to estimate work and you have a high utilization rate, then which number would you use - the one represented at the lower end of the curve, or the one at the high. The difference is “orders of magnitude” on the estimate.

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