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# Lean Thinking & LeSS



More with LeSS

## Scaling?

first, a caution...

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One of the directors of SAGE was discussing why the programming had gotten out of hand. He was then asked, ***"If you had it to do all over again, what would you do differently?" ...***

[Horowitz74]

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His answer:  
***"Find the ten best people and write the entire thing themselves."***

[Horowitz74]

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after many years  
working in **large,**  
**multisite,** & **offshore**  
development, our key  
advice? ...

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large: don't  
multisite: don't  
offshore: don't

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but groups still 'scale',  
for reasons...

...compelling  
("create LTE")

...questionable  
("low-cost developers")

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descaling with LeSS

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## A View of LeSS

### Sprint Planning One in LeSS



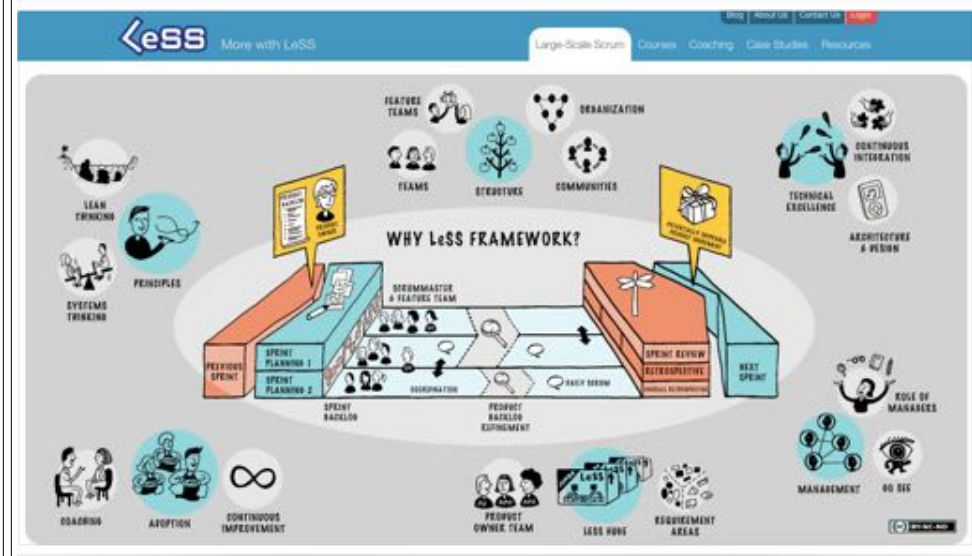
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## Sprint Review “Bazaar” in LeSS



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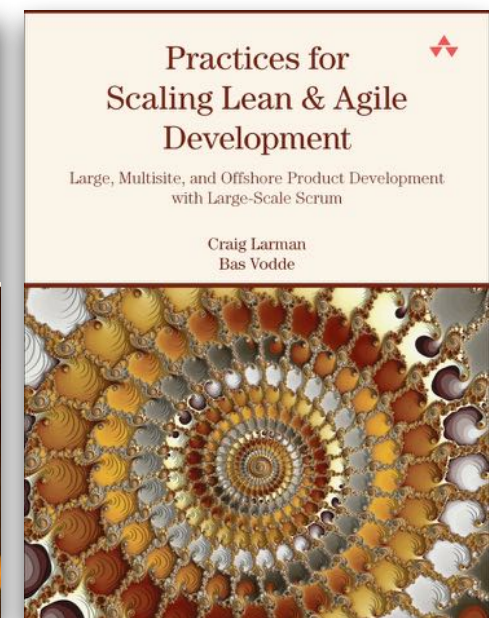
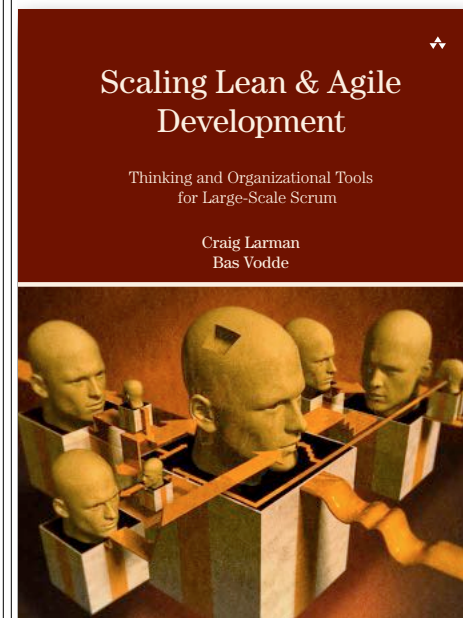
## Another View: **less.works**



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## Lean Thinking & LeSS

## First Two LeSS books...





served as lead coach of  
lean software development @ Xerox

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@ Toyota in Japan



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Co-author of...

**LEAN PRIMER**

[leanprimer.com](http://leanprimer.com)

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this is the **second** time  
have been asked to  
introduce **Lean**  
**Thinking & LeSS** at  
**Citrix Goleta ;)** ...

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On Fri, Apr 16, 2010 at 8:21 AM, Jim Chase <[Jim.Chase@citrix.com](mailto:Jim.Chase@citrix.com)> wrote:  
Hi Craig,

We are a large development organization who has adopted Scrum and are now looking into Lean and its application to our culture. We have approximately 180 developers and QA and are growing. Ken Schwaber taught a CSM class for many of us, and spent a short time explaining Scrum to the entire team. We are mostly in one office, but we do have a couple of teams in San Francisco and in Bangalore, India. We are constantly looking for experiences from other large companies so that we can help team members and managers to be more effective.

We've had some time to get comfortable with Scrum and are now looking into Lean and its ramifications for our organization. We'd like to enlist the aid of an expert on Lean thinking who can guide our management team and the teams to effectively embrace Lean thinking. Of course we have read your Lean Primer, Scaling Lean & Agile Development, and I'm now reading Practices for Scaling Lean & Agile Development.

I'd like to speak with you about what you would recommend for our team, and if you would be interested in teaching and coaching at our facility in the Santa Barbara area. I have reviewed some of your classes, and a few relevant ones may be:

Lean and Agile Coaching, Curriculum, and Programme Design  
Lean and Agile Transformation Leadership  
Deep-Dive Question and Answer Management Workshop - Lean/Agile Product Development

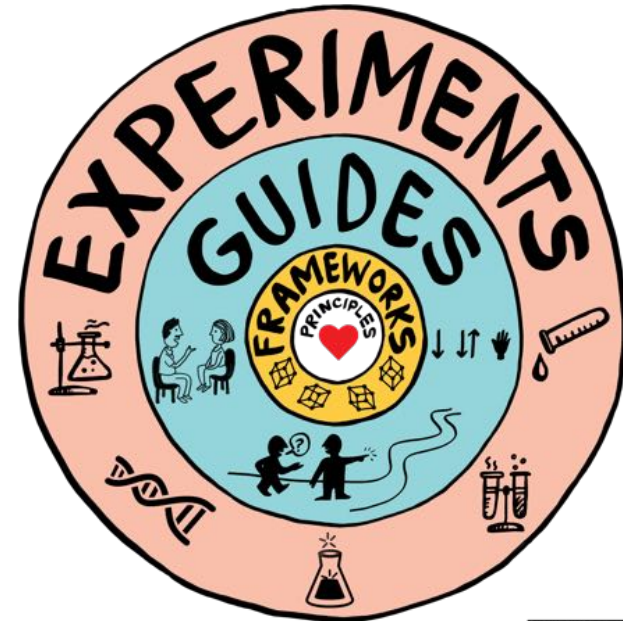
I'm sure that many more classes would be applicable to us. I'd be interested in hearing what you would recommend for our organization, and have you prepare quotes for us to consider. Please give me a call at one of the numbers below.

Thanks,  
Jim

Jim Chase  
Director, Software Development

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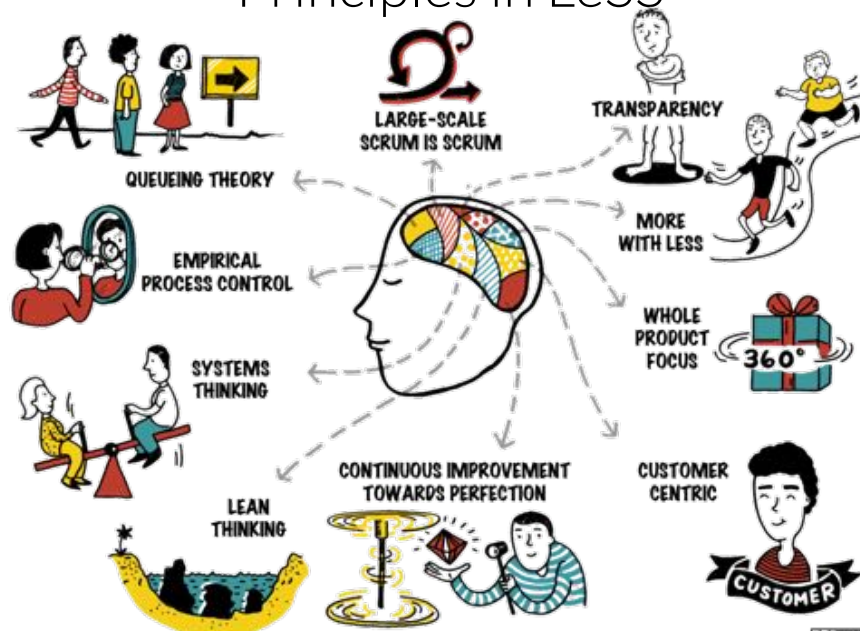
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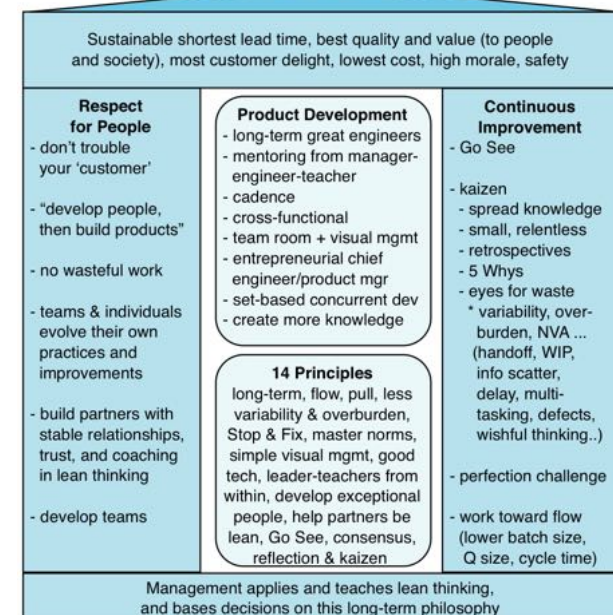
## Principles in LeSS



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## BIG topic: Lean Thinking House



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## EXERCISE

» where's the name “**lean**” from?



John Krafcik

### Triumph of the Lean Production System

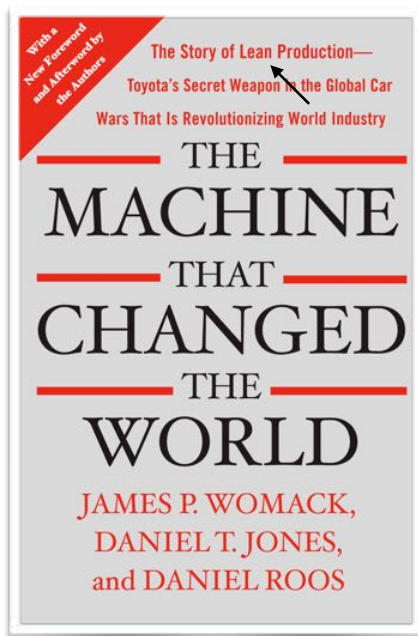
John F. Krafcik

MIT International Motor Vehicle Program

THE RESEARCH FINDINGS REPORTED in this article will help to overturn a common myth about the auto industry: that productivity and quality levels are determined by an assembly plant's location. In reality there exists a wide range of performance levels among Japanese, North American, and European plants. Corporate parentage and culture do appear to be correlated with plant performance; the level of technology does not. Plants operating with a "lean" production policy are able to manufacture a wide range of models, yet maintain high levels of quality and productivity. *Ed.*

Sloan  
Management  
Review  
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Fall 1988

and then MIT (1991)...



‘Lean’ was  
coined by Toyota  
people to mean  
the Toyota way

## EXERCISE

» what are the big ideas in lean or the Toyota way... as defined by its creators, Toyota?

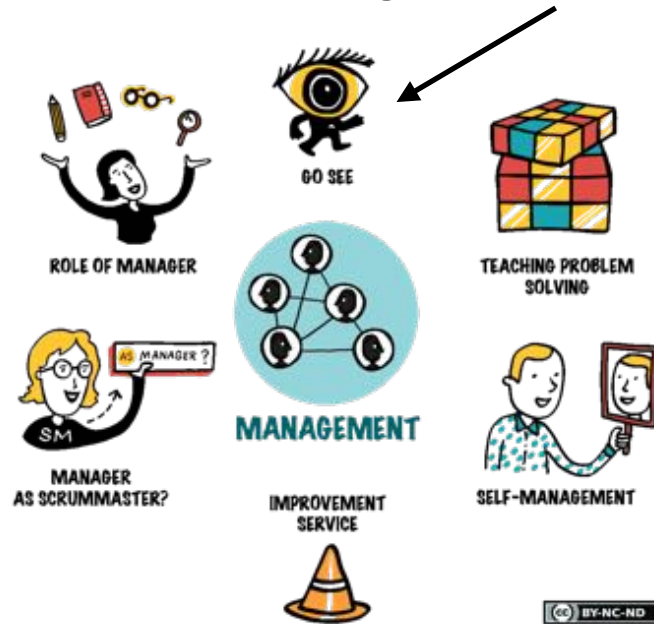
let's search

**genchi  
genbutsu  
(Go See)**

Lean Thinking:  
Go See



## LeSS Management



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**“Go See is the most important management skill for LeSS managers”**

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where do managers go?

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**gemba** of  
value creation

**gemba** of  
value consumption

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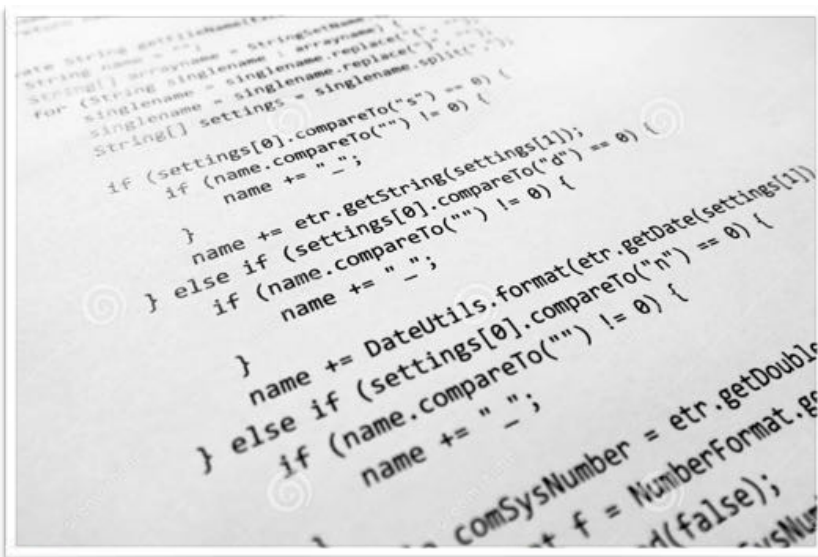
## EXERCISE

» **where** is gembera of value creation?

my 'office' at gembera of value creation



true **gembera of value creation** in software development



Go See is not...

goals of Go See by managers

- better problem solving capability (by whom?)
- better organizational decisions (by whom?)

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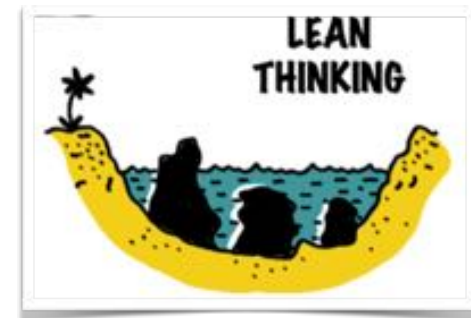
## EXERCISE

- » what would it mean for managers in your organization to practice Go See?

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# Lean Thinking: Rocks & Lake Dynamic

Why the Lean Symbol in LeSS?



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done! thank you



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