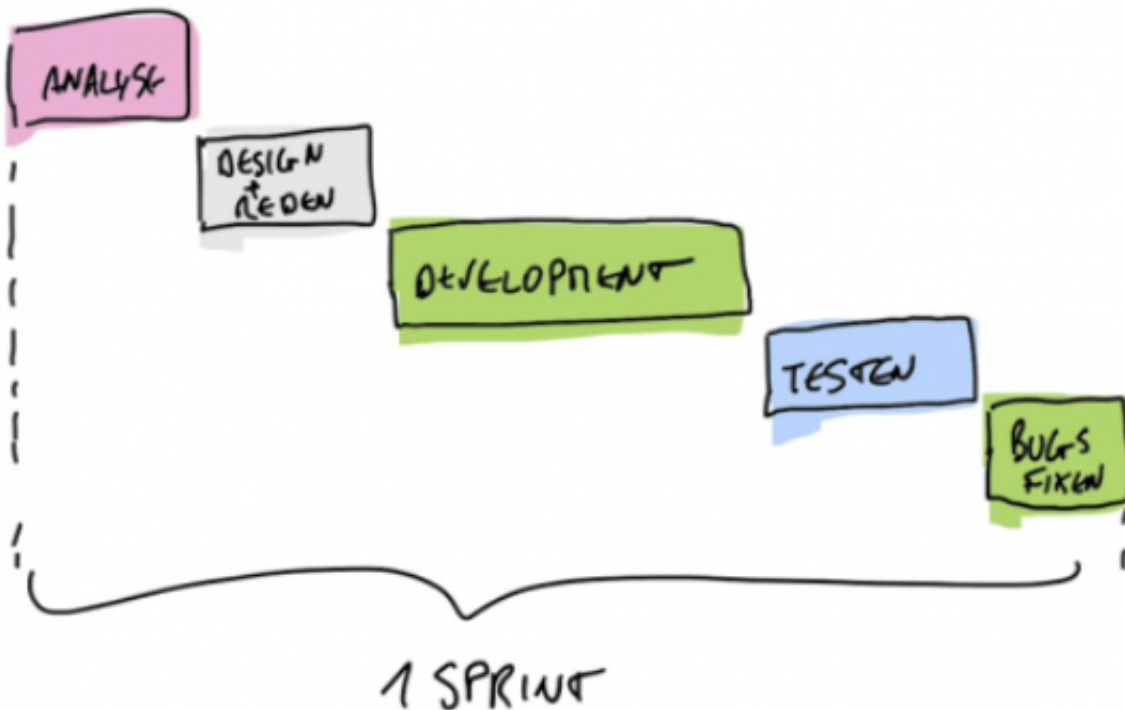


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How can you escape the Sprint Mini Waterfall approach?

I work with a lot of Scrum Teams and many are doing mini waterfalls in every Sprint.



Start your next retrospective with this idea → cut the Sprint in half.

Get the team together and ask them

We cut the sprint in half. We are going from 1-week sprints into two days sprints.

Usually you get a lot of resistance. People say ah that doesn't work because:

- our build server is too slow or

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- we need to document something every time and that takes at least 48 hours or
- our testing team is so slow
- and
- many
- more
- things
- ...

Now that's cool because now you have a problem to fix.

→ Fix that problem ?

With this mindset "cut the Sprint in half" you find new problems that you can tackle all the time.

How to get from waterfall to 1 week Sprints?

What works well in my experience is the following sequence (perhaps one could also say progression in the team):

1 We focus on 1-piece flow

2 We build in quality from the start

3 We automate a lot of tests

... and can focus us as humans on the exciting manual exploratory tests.

4 We work Test-Driven in TDD

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5 We help build the best system

I have explained this in details in this video:
[How Testing is Different in an Agile Project](#)

Read the full details here on [scrum.org where I expand on the 5 practices that help with Agile Software Development.](#)

<https://youtu.be/NLRn0OLaGhU>

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