#### Management Methods and Tools for Complex Development Programs Quantitative Management Consulting

- CONSULTING and TOOLS For Program Managers, PMO, NPI, Finance, DevLeads, Product Management, Support Logistics, IT Managers.
- Material Planning and Execution for Operational Execution plus Budget Performance; Critical Path and Material for Schedule Performance.

#### For Everyone: Broadly Applicable Technique based on MS Office.

- Modern Excel technique: Powerful, Flexible, Extensible
  - Excel Structured Tables, INDEX/MATCH, SUMIF, Structured Keys.
- Pivot Tables Organize and Simplify Data into Information
  - Normalization and UnPivot of input data
     – Way beyond the usual training on pivot UI.
- Database Magnifies Data Effectiveness
  - JOIN Excel tables, Drive Excel Pivot Tables from Database queries for magnification of power.
  - Microsoft Excel / Access / SQL, Plus Power BI / DAX for Reports, Dashboards and Publication.
- Complements and Adds Power to Power BI.
  - Overcomes Limitations to Cascaded QUERY / JOIN, Propagation of Added Fields.
- Microsoft Project and Visio Connect and Bring Quantitative Management and Reporting Alive
  - Project task dates connect to Excel for dynamic reporting.
  - Project task dates connect to Visio dynamic visualization to align planning and operation throughout organizations.
- Windows-Based, VM-Capable
  - Native Window platforms.
  - Cross-Platform MacOS / Linux via VM or RDP.

#### For Program Managers: Effective, Connected Planning, Execution.

- Program Schedule Operational Planning and Execution
  - Structured program schedules integrate Electronics, Mechanical and Software, Assembly Development, Integration, Test, NPI.
  - Manages Critical Path to maintain schedule and budget, and to manage change.
- Program Material Organizational Operation Planning and Execution
  - Schedule and manage provisioning and reporting of system elements, build material, consigned material.
  - Schedule and manage materials handling from Purchase Order through receipt, inventory, deployment and maintenance.
  - Program-BOM explosion manages cost rollup, special material factors (consignment etc.).
- Dynamic Program Finance Planning and Reporting
  - Build, refine, execute dynamic program budget driven by Schedule, Allocations and Configurations, and reporting organizational and financial metrics.
  - Propagate schedule through material planning and operation, into program Budget and Reporting.
  - Product cost development from Planning through Development.
- Electronic System Management Pattern, with concrete examples of data organization and reporting.
- Clarity in planning-to-execution, cross-functional coordination, across all management levels.
- Human-intuitive visualization connects with quantified planning for broad grasp of program planning and execution.
- Programs learn from and leverage prior effort. Data capture leverages to ISO, Learning Organization, Continuous Improvement.

# Support and Access to Power Opl

#### Requirements

- Microsoft Office (Desktop, or Office 365)
  - Excel, Access
  - Project, Visio Pro
- Optional Shared-Files on Windows Fileshare
  - Windows File-Sharing: CIFS (Win)/SMB (MacOS) File Sharing, Microsoft Groups, Microsoft Active Directory.

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### **Full-Function**

- Excel, Access, MS SQL Server, Project, Visio Pro, Power BI, on:
  - Native Windows Platform.
  - Guest Windows in VM hosted on MacOS or on Red Hat, Ubuntu, CentOS Linux.
    - MacOS: Windows Guest on <u>VMWare</u> <u>Fusion</u>, Fusion Pro, Workstation, Workstation Pro, Workstation Player.
    - Linux: Windows Guest on VMWare Workstation, <u>Workstation Pro</u>, Workstation Player.
    - <u>Windows VM on Microsoft Azure</u>, RDP
    - <u>AWS Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2), RDP</u>

### **Full-Function (Continued)**

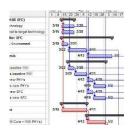
- Access to Native Windows and Cloud Platform via RDP Client.
  - RDP = Remote Desktop.
  - Linux (Red Hat, Ubuntu) from Distribution Provider: <u>Remmina</u>, <u>Rdesktop</u>, <u>RealVNC</u>, <u>TigerVNC</u>, <u>TightVNC</u>.
  - From Windows, MacOS, iOS, Android, Chrome: <u>Splashtop</u>, <u>GoToMyPC</u>, <u>LogMeIn</u>, <u>TightVNC</u>.
  - Office License needed only on Windows Host, not RDP Clients.

#### **Subset-Function**

- Office for Mac Native on iOS.
  - Functional Excel Structured Tables, Structured Reference, Lookup Functions, Structured Keys (function like BI).
  - Excel Pivot from Server-Based Query: Can Update Filters and Pivot Structure; but No Refresh. Open Updated from Server.
  - No Excel Power Pivot or Power BI Native on iOS.
  - MS Access, Project, Visio Pro, Power BI not available Native on iOS.

### **Not Supported**

- MySQL, PostgreSQL not supported now. Could become available via Google BigQuery, CloudSQL; and site codingisforlosers.
- Cloud Storage is Import/Export:
  - Passive Storage/Distribution, not Active Integration.
  - SmartSheet (GANTT), Google Sheets (Import/Export).
  - Google Drive, OneDrive.



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