

Three Types of Inefficiencies

Muda Waste, or every element of the process that does not add value from the customer's perspective.

Overburdening employees, tools or machines

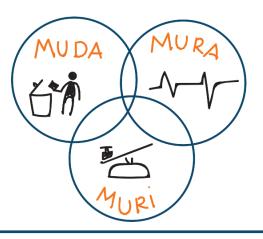
leading to quality and safety problems.

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Unevenness caused, for example, by unforeseen problems or the fluctuation of orders, deliveries or

events.

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Ten Types of Waste (Muda)

Waste		In Software Development
₹ ₹	Inventory	Work in progress - anything that was started but not completed: requirements not implemented; code not integrated, functionality not tested, feature not deployed. Backlogs and queues.
\nearrow	Overproduction	Features customers do not need or use.
(\$	Over-Processing	Processes and activities that do not add value to the product. Excessive documentation. Rediscovery and re-learning.
٢	Transport	Handoffs. Transferring knowledge between employees.
S)	Motion	Multitasking – an attempt to perform several tasks at the same time. Causes waiting and re-learning.
Õ	Waiting	Delays caused by waiting for information, decisions, resources, or components delivered by another team/department.
(3E)	Defects	Bugs disrupting the sustainable pace and leading to overloading employees (Muri).
ţ.	Wishful Thinking	Creating plans based on unrealistic expectations rather than basing them on feedback and reality.
25	Information Scatter	Knowledge unavailable to those who need it.
£	Underutilized Human Potential	Employees not being involved in the process of continuous improvement (Kaizen). Failure to raise expectations towards employees. No employee development. Working to title.