CA Agile Requirements Designer

At A Glance
Testing at the speed of agile entails reducing manual testing effort, while delivering better quality applications to market faster. Helping you drive agile testing approaches within every sprint, CA Agile Requirements Designer provides advanced requirements engineering and test design automation capabilities, enabling you to automatically generate the optimal set of tests right from your requirements modeled as complete and unambiguous flowcharts. Automatically updated when requirements change, these tests allow you to deliver software that reflects changing user needs.

Business Challenge
Traditional testing does not work well for DevOps. They are not suited for the speed or number of changes required to attain Continuous Delivery. Additionally, up to 64 percent of defects can be traced back to poorly defined requirements, resulting in code defects and associated poor customer experience.

- **Ambiguous requirements.** Vague requirements stored in disparate formats can lead to defective software and, ultimately, poor customer experience. It also leads to poor communication between the business and IT, creating project delays.

- **Insufficient test coverage.** Manually designing test cases is typically unsystematic, and time-consuming. As a result, only 10-20 percent of functionality is covered, exposing the software to costly defects.

- **Wasteful over-testing.** Four times over-testing is the norm while some functionality is redundantly tested 18 times over.

- **Automation frameworks dilemma.** Most automation frameworks rely on laborious manual scripting, while further time is wasted maintaining a growing library of scripts by hand.

- **Constant changes.** As requirements change, testers have no way to identify its impact on the system. Often, they check and update every test case and script by hand, but this is time-consuming and inefficient.

Solution Overview
CA Agile Requirements Designer is an automated testing solution, enabling organizations to build and deliver high-quality applications to market faster, at less cost.

The product accelerates requirements model creation, mapping requirements to visual flowchart models, helping organizations eliminate ambiguous requirements and costly defects they create. Built-in cost and complexity analysis provides time and cost forecasts for development, reducing the risk of budget over-runs and delays.
With CA Agile Requirements Designer, time-consuming manual effort is drastically reduced. Testers can automatically create the smallest number of test cases needed to achieve 100 percent coverage and link them to the right data and expected results. Existing test cases can also be imported and optimized and executed as automated tests, reducing the average test cycle by 30 percent.

The optimized test cases can be pushed out and allocated to testers in existing tools like CA Agile Central, HP/MicroFocus ALM, Microsoft TFS and others. They can also be executed as automated tests, eliminating manual scripting and making the exhaustive testing of applications possible on time and within budget.

As requirements change, CA Agile Requirements Designer will automatically find and repair broken tests, automatically creating any new tests needed to maintain 100 percent coverage. This eliminates the bottlenecks created by manual test maintenance, allowing you to deliver valuable software which reflects changing user needs earlier and at less cost.

Critical Differentiators

Test case optimization. The ability to automatically generate maximum coverage with the smallest test cases possible improves quality and reduces testing costs. With coverage and complexity analysis, you can know that 100 percent functionality is being tested.

Built for re-usability. Test cases can be stored, shared and re-used from a central library linked to the right data and expected results. Distributed test teams can quickly re-create and execute the tests needed to fully test systems as they evolve.

Usability and collaboration. Users and business analysts can quickly model requirements as active flowcharts which then provide a single point of reference for all subsequent test and development effort.

Test data on-demand. By auto-generating test data at the same time as test cases are automatically created, CA Agile Requirements Designer eliminates two of the most manual, time-consuming tasks in the software development lifecycle.

Integrated solution. Integrations with various requirements definition, and test automation and execution tools lead to a greater ROI for CA Agile Requirements Designer investment.

Related Products/Solutions

CA Test Data Manager. Creates all the data needed for testing, matched directly to test cases created in CA Agile Requirements Designer.

CA Service Virtualization. Creates services needed for testing based on virtual end points modeled in CA Agile Requirements Designer.

CA Agile Central. Exports requirements to CA Agile Requirements Designer where they are optimized and converted into the right set of test cases.
Customer Success

A large financial institution. Improved test coverage from 5 percent to 100 percent, in just 30 minutes.

A multi-national bank. Reduced the cycle time taken to implement a change request by 99 percent—from seven and one-half hours to two minutes.

A global services company. Significant savings in test execution by eliminating 18 times over-testing.

A multinational financial services provider. Reduced test case creation time by 95 percent.

Quickly generate the smallest number of test cases for maximum coverage.

Build better requirements automatically and accurately.

For more information, please visit ca.com