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This is a great book for both scrum and non-scrum project management organizations. Illustrations of scrum principles were explained using traditional waterfall terminologies...
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