

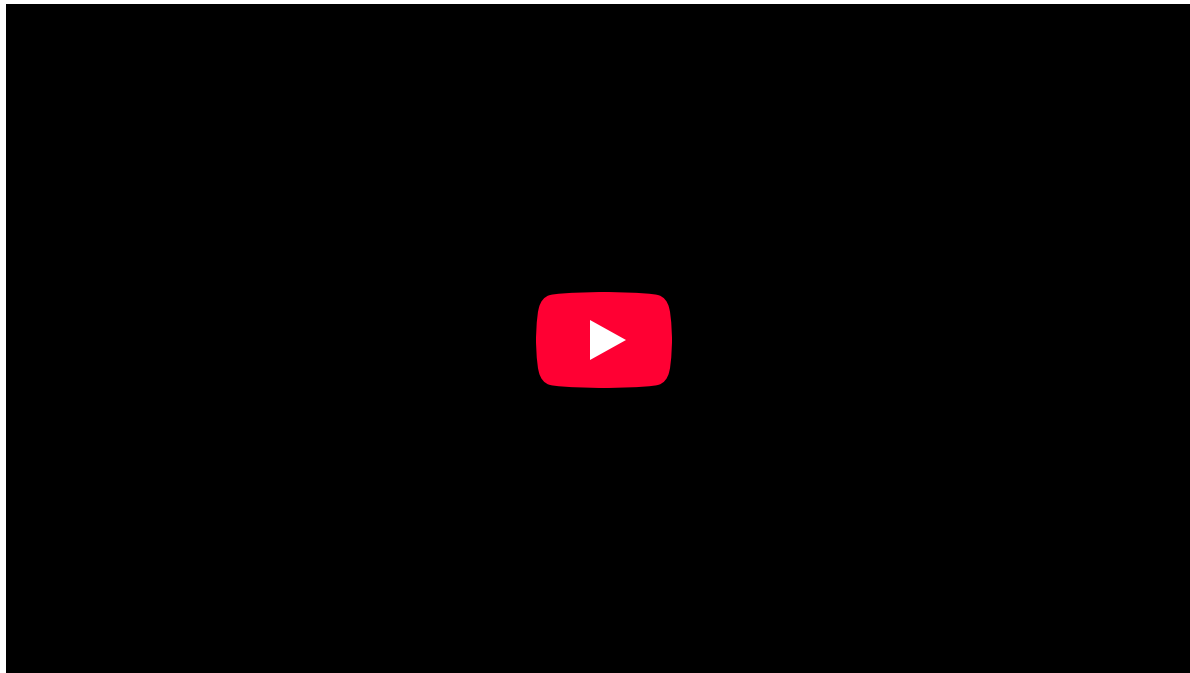
## 4.7: Lean Six Sigma

### Methodologies for Improvement

While it is important for all organizations to implement continuous improvement, the methodologies and tools one organization may use may differ from another organization. This week, we will look at two methodologies that are commonly used: **Lean and Six Sigma**. In addition, we will look at how they can be used together.

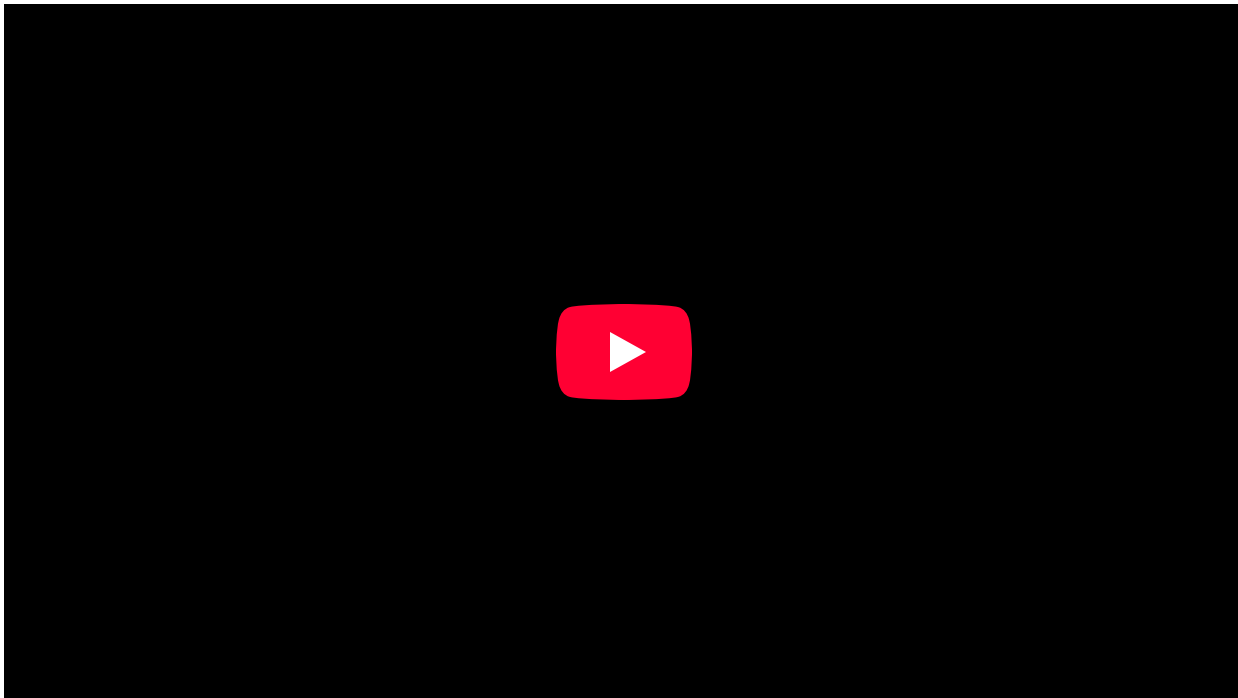
#### Lean and Six Sigma

**Watch** the following 3:57 video that provides an introduction to both Lean and Six Sigma and the benefit of using the two methodologies together:



**Read** the following for additional insights into both Lean and Six Sigma and explore how they are utilized individually and combined: [Lean Six Sigma \(opens in new window\)](#)

Finally, **watch** the following 4:29 video that explores the use of flowcharts in **Lean Six Sigma**:



**Note:** Within the video, swimlane diagrams and standard operating procedure (SOP) documents are introduced. Both are often utilized by Operations Managers!

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