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- 1) Market Need-Satisfying Objectives
- 2) Community Need-Satisfying Objectives
- 3) Corporate Need-Satisfying Objectives



- 1) Sales Volume
  - Dollars
  - Units
  - Territories
  - Markets
- 2) Share of Market
- 3) Distribution Expansion
- 4) Other





DATE:

**COMPANY NAME:** 

**TITLE OR PRODUCT:** 

#### I. Executive Summary

- A. Summary of Situation Analysis
- B. Summary of Marketing Objectives
- C. Summary of Marketing Strategies
- D. Budget Summary

#### **II. Situation Analysis**

- A. The Industry (see Ee. 1)
  - 1. Definition of Industry and Company Business
  - 2. History of Industry
    - a. Technological Advances
    - b. Trends
  - 3. Growth Patterns Within Industry
    - a. Demand Curve
    - b. Per Capita Consumption
    - c. Growth Potential
  - 4. Characteristics of Industry
    - a. Power of Suppliers and Buyers
    - b. Threats of Substitutes and Entrants
    - c. Industry Rivalry
      - (1) Distribution Patterns and Traditional Channels
      - (2) Regulation and Control Within Industry
      - (3) Typical Promotional Activity
      - (4) Geographical Characteristics
      - (5) Profit Patterns
- B. The Company (see Cc. 1 and Gg. 1 and Hh. 1)
  - 1. Brief History
  - 2. Scope of Business
  - 3. Current Size, Growth, Profitability
  - 4. Business Reputation (Prospector, Defender, Analyzer, Reactor)
  - 5. Competence in Various Areas
    - a. Strengths and Weaknesses
    - b. Opportunities and Threats
  - 6. 7-S Analysis (Hh.1)



- C. The Product / Service (see Jj. 1 and Ll. 1)
  - 1. The Product Story
    - a. Development and History
    - b. Stage of Product Life Cycle
      - (1) Introduction
      - (2) Growth
      - (3) Maturity
      - (4) Decline
    - c. Quality Factors
    - d. Design Considerations
    - e. Goods Classification
      - (1) Consumer or Industrial Good
      - (2) Durable or Nondurable Good or Service
      - (3) Convenience, Shopping, or Specialty Good
      - (4) Package Good, Hard Good, Soft Good, Service
    - f. Packaging
    - g. Price Structure
    - h. Uses
      - (1) Primary
      - (2) Secondary
      - (3) Potential
    - i. Image and Reputation
    - j. Product / Service Strengths
    - k. Product / Service Weaknesses
  - 2. Product Sales Features
    - a. Differentiating Factors
      - (1) Perceptible, Imperceptible, or Induced
      - (2) Exclusive or Nonexclusive
    - b. Position in Mind of Customer
    - c. Advantages and Disadvantages (Customer Perception)
  - 3. Product Research and Development
    - a. Technological Breakthroughs
    - b. Improvements Planned
    - c. Technical or Service Problems
  - 4. Sales History
    - a. Sales and Cost of Sales
      - (1) By Product / Service
      - (2) By Model
      - (3) By Territory
      - (4) By Market
    - b. Profit History for Same Factors



- 5. Share of Market
  - a. Industry Sales by Market
  - b. Market Share in Dollars and Units
  - c. Market Potential and Trends
- D. The Market (see li.1 and Kk.1 and Ll.1)
  - 1. Definition and Location of Market
    - a. Identified Market Segments
      - (1) Past
      - (2) Potential
    - b. Market Needs, Desires
    - c. Characteristics of Market
      - (1) Geographic
      - (2) Demographic
      - (3) Psychographic
      - (4) Behavioral
    - d. Typical Buying Patterns
      - (1) Purchase Patterns
      - (2) Heavy Users / Light Users
      - (3) Frequency of Purchase
    - e. Buying Influences on Market
  - 2. Definition of Our Customers
    - a. Present, Past, and Future
    - b. Characteristics
      - (1) Shared Characteristics with Rest of Market
      - (2) Characteristics Unique to Our Customers
    - c. What They Like About Us or Our Product
    - d. What They Don't Like
  - 3. Consumer Appeals
    - a. Past Advertising Appeals
      - (1) What has Worked
      - (2) What has not Worked and Why
    - b. Possible Future Appeals
  - 4. Results of Research Studies About Market and Customers
- E. The Competition (see Ee. 1)
  - 1. Identification of Competitors
    - a. Primary Competitors
    - b. Secondary Competitors
    - c. Product / Service Descriptions
    - d. Growth and Size of Competitors
    - e. Share of Market Held by Competitors



- 2. Strengths of Competition
  - a. Product Quality
  - b. Sales Features
  - c. Price, Distribution, Promotion
- 3. Weaknesses of Competition
  - a. Product Features
  - b. Consumer Attitude
  - c. Price, Distribution, Promotion
- 4. Marketing Activities of Competition
  - a. Product Positioning
  - b. Pricing Strategies
  - c. Distribution
  - d. Sales Force
  - e. Advertising, Publicity
  - f. Estimated Budgets
- F. Distribution Strategies (see Ss. 1)
  - 1. Type of Distribution Network Used
    - a. History of Development
    - b. Trends
  - 2. Evaluation of How Distribution is Accomplished
  - 3. Description and Evaluation with Channel Members
  - 4. Promotional Relationship with Channel Members
    - a. Trade Advertising and Allowances
    - b. Co-op Advertising
    - c. Use of Promotion by Dealer or Middlemen
    - d. Point-of-Purchase Displays, Literature
    - e. Dealer Incentive Programs
- G. Pricing Policies (see Qq. 1)
  - 1. Price History
    - a. Trends
    - b. Affordability
    - c. Competition
  - 2. Price Objectives and Strategies in Past
    - a. Management Attitudes
    - b. Buyer Attitudes
    - c. Channel Attitudes



- H. Promotion Strategies (see Tt. 1)
  - 1. Past Promotion Policy
    - a. Personal versus Non-personal Selling
      - (1) Use of Sales Force
      - (2) Use of Advertising, Public Relations, Sales Promotions
    - b. Successes and Failure of Past Policy
  - 2. Sales Force
    - a. Size
    - b. Score
    - c. Ability / Training
    - d. Cost per Sale
  - 3. Advertising Programs
    - a. Successes and Failures
    - b. Strategies, Themes, Campaigns
    - c. Appeals, Positionings, and So On
    - d. Expenditures
      - (1) Past Budgets
      - (2) Method of Allocation
      - (3) Competitor Budgets
      - (4) Trend
- I. Environmental Factors (see Dd.1 and Ff.1)
  - 1. Demographics
  - 2. Technological Influences
  - 3. Political / Legal Situation
  - 4. Economy
    - a. Current Economic Status
    - b. Business Outlook and Economic Forecasts
  - 5. Societal Concerns
- J. Corporate Objectives and Strategies (see Bb. 1)
  - 1. Profitability
    - a. Sales Revenue
    - b. Cost Reductions
  - 2. Return on Investment
  - 3. Stock Price
  - 4. Shareholder Equity
  - 5. Community Image
  - 6. New Product Development
  - 7. Technological Leadership
  - 8. Mergers and/or Acquisitions



- K. Potential Marketing Problems
- L. Potential Marketing Opportunities

#### III. Marketing Objectives (see Aa. 1)

- A. Market Need Objectives
  - 1. Market Need-Satisfying Objectives
  - 2. Community Need-Satisfying Objectives
  - 3. Corporate Need-Satisfying Objectives
- B. Sales Target Objectives
  - 1. Sales Volume
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  - 4. Other

#### IV. Marketing Strategy (see Mm.1 - Uu.1)

- A. General Marketing Strategy
  - 1. Positioning Strategy
  - 2. Product Differentiation Strategy
  - 3. Price / Quality Differentiation Strategy
- B. Specific Market Strategies
  - 1. Target Market A
    - a. Product
    - b. Price
    - c. Promotion
      - (1) Personal Selling
      - (2) Advertising
      - (3) Sales Promotion
      - (4) Public Relations



## **MARKETING OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Target Market B
  - a. Product
  - b. Price
  - c. Promotion
    - (1) Personal Selling
    - (2) Advertising
    - (3) Sales Promotion
    - (4) Public Relations

#### V. Action Programs (Tactics)

- A. Product Plans
- B. Pricing Plans
- C. Distribution Plans
- D. Promotional Plans
  - 1. Sales Plan
  - 2. Advertising Plan
  - 3. Sales Promotion Plan
  - 4. Public Relations Plan

#### VI. Measurement, Review, and Control

- A. Organizational Structure
- B. Methodology for Review and Evaluation

#### VII. Marketing Budget

- A. Method of Allocation
- B. Enumeration of Marketing Costs by Division
  - 1. New Product Research
  - 2. Marketing Research
  - 3. Sales Expenses
  - 4. Advertising, Sales Promotion, Public Relations

#### VIII. Appendixes

- A. Sales Reports
- B. Reports of Market Research Studies
- C. Reprints of Journal or Magazine Articles
- D. Other Supporting Documents



## MARKETING OBJECTIVES

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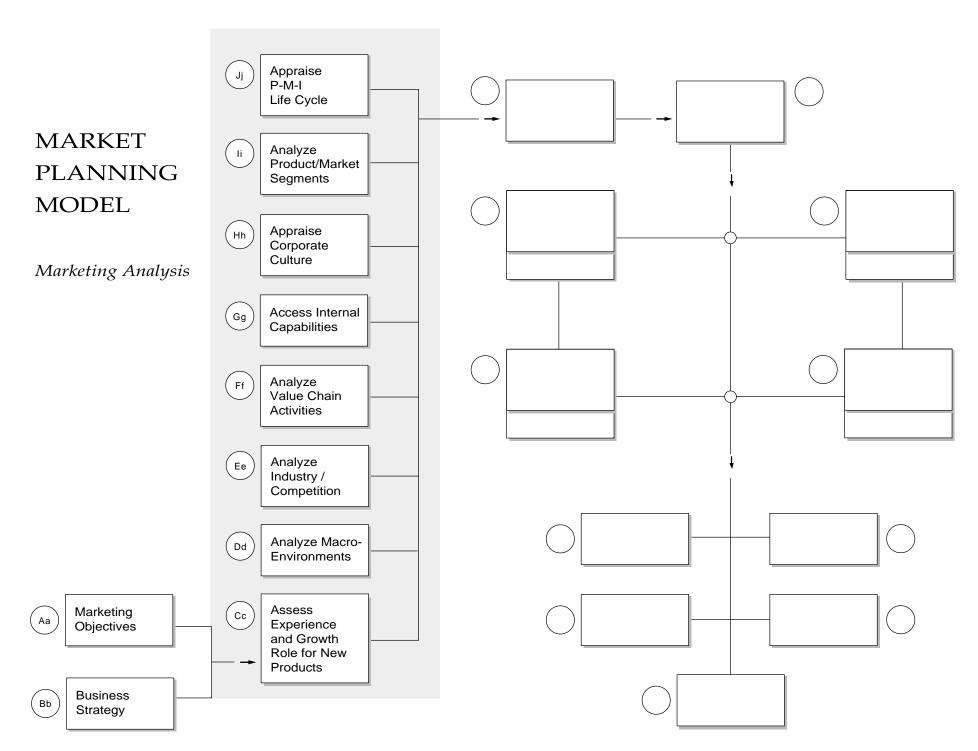
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Prospector	
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Defender	
Analyzer	
Reactor	

### **CORPORATE GROWTH ANALYSIS**

#### **Prospector**

- Operates within a broad product-market domain that undergoes periodic redefinition.
- Values being a "first mover" in a new-product and market areas, even if not all of these efforts prove to be highly profitable.
- Responds rapidly to early signals concerning areas of opportunity; and these responses often lead to new rounds of competitive actions.
- Competes primarily by stimulating and meeting new market opportunities, but may not maintain strength over time in all markets it enters.

#### Defender

- Attempts to locate and maintain a secure position in relatively stable product or service areas.
- Offers relatively limited range of products or services compared to competitors.
- Tries to protect its domain by offering lower prices, higher quality, or better service than competitors.
- Usually not at the forefront of technological/new-product development in its industry; tends to ignore industry changes not directly related to its area of operation.

#### **Analyzer**

- An intermediate type; makes fewer and slower product-market changes than prospectors, but is less committed to stability and efficiency than defenders.
- Attempts to maintain a stable, limited line of products or services, but carefully follows a selected set of promising new developments in its industry.
- Seldom a "first mover," but often a second or third entrant in product-markets related to its existing market base—often with a lower cost or higher quality product or service offering.

#### Reactor

- · Lacks any well-defined competitive strategy.
- Does not have a consistent product-market orientation as its competitors.
- Not as willing to assume the risks of new-product or market development as its competitors.
- Not as aggressive in marketing established products as some competitors.
- Responds primarily when it is forced to by environmental pressures.

## **CORPORATE GROWTH ANALYSIS**

#### **Emphasis on New Product-Market Growth**

**Heavy Emphasis** No Emphasis Analyzer Prospector Defender Reactor Units with strong Units primarily Differentiation core business; concerned with maintaining a actively seeking Competitive Strategy to expand into differentiated related product-Units primarily position in markets with mature markets concerned with Units with no differentiated attaining growth clearly defined offerings through product-market aggressive development or pursuit of new Cost Leadership Units with strong Units primarily competitive product-market core business; concerned with strategy. opportunities. actively seeking maintaining a to expand into low-cost related productposition in markets with mature markets. low-cost offerings.

See Value Chain Activities for Low-Cost / Differentiation Strategies

Ff.1

#### **Source of Competitive Advantage**

Broad Target Cost Leadership Differentiation

Narrow Target Focus Differentiation

Differentiation

Differentiation

Differentiation
Focus

# CORPORATE GROWTH ANALYSIS

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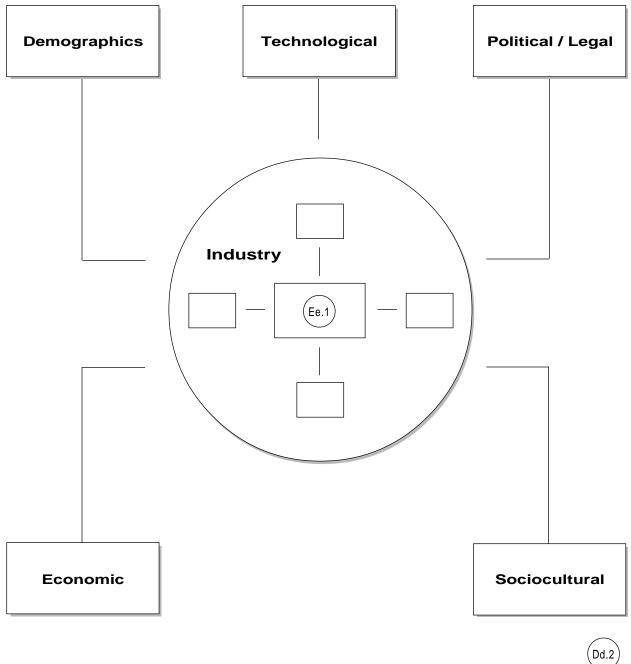
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Scenario Analysis (Dd.3)



## **MACRO-ENVIRONMENT ANALYSIS**

#### **Demographics**

#### Determinants of Demographic Changes —

- Population Increases
- Changes in Age
- Changes in Income
- Changes in Family Formation and Growth
- Changes in Homogeneity of People

#### **Technological**

#### Determinants of Technological Changes —

- Changes in Existing Technologies
- New Technologies Introduced
- CAD/CAM
- Flexible Manufacturing

#### Political / Legal

#### Determinants of Political / Legal Changes —

- Government Regulation
- Government Deregulation
- Consumer Protection Legislation
- Environmental Regulations
- Changes in Governments
- International Issues

#### **Economic**

#### Determinants of Economic Changes —

- Changes in FX Rates
- Rising/Lowering Interest Rates
- GNP Growth
- Changes in the Leading Indicators
- Inflation/Unemployment

#### **Sociocultural**

#### **Determinants of Sociocultural Changes —**

- Evolution of Individual Values
- Evolution of Family Structure

### **MACRO-ENVIRONMENT ANALYSIS**

#### SCENARIO ANALYSIS

Step 1: Select the events that may happen about the market. Setup different scenarios.

#### SCENARIO 1 (S1)

Harmonize Govt./Business Event 1: Event 2: Entrance New Market Event 3: Entry Barriers Lowered No Increase Intra-Trade Event 4:

#### SCENARIO 2 (S2)

Non-harmonization Entrance New Market Entry Barriers Lowered No Increase Intra-Trade

#### SCENARIO n (Sn)

Harmonize Govt./Business Non-entrance New Market Entry Barriers Lowered No Increase Intra-Trade

Step 2: What is the probability of scenario event happening.

Scenario Probabilities ->

21.66%

10.00

21.66%

14.78%

Step 3: Establish Your Marketing Policy Options (strategy).

Desired Outcome Under

#### **POLICY OPTION 1**

Exploit agility, expertise, and Public Relations through buildup of own capabilities.

Scenario

8.00

5.00

Step 4: What would be the desired outcome (from 1.00 to 10.00) if you executed the policy option under the possible scenario.

#### **POLICY OPTION 2**

Seek a strategic partnership or acquisition to strengthen service infrastructure.

9.75

7.00

6.00

Step 5: Highest outcome produces best policy under scenario.

Scenario Analysis Sheet available on next page.

#### **POLICY OPTION n**

Exploit size, breadth, and customer relationships through buildup of own capabilities.

8.90

3.00

2.00

# MACRO-ENVIRONMENT ANALYSIS

## SCENARIO ANALYSIS

	SCENARIO 1 (S1)	SCENARIO 2 (S2)	SCENARIO n (Sn)
Event 1:			
Event 2:			
Event 2:			
Event 4:			
Scenario Probabilities ->			
	Desired Outcome Under		
	Scenario		
POLICY OPTION 1			
POLICY OPTION 2			
POLICY OPTION n			



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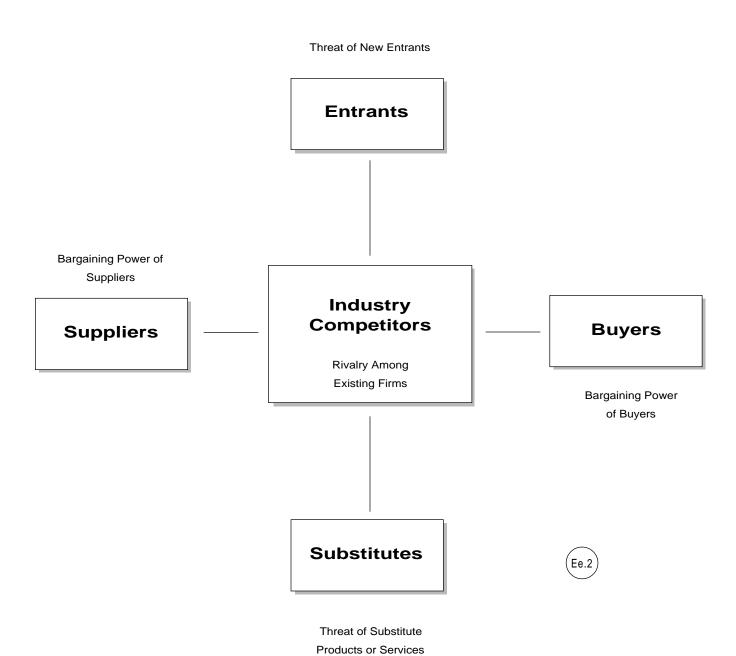
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#### **Entrants**

#### **Determinants of Entry Barriers —**

Economies of Scale
Proprietary Product Differences
Brand Identity
Switching Costs
Capital Requirements
Access to Distribution

Absolute Cost Advantages

- Proprietary Learning Curve
- · Access to Necessary Inputs
- Proprietary Low-Cost Product Design

Government Policy Expected Retaliation

#### **Suppliers**

#### **Determinants of Supplier Power —**

Differentiation of Inputs
Switching Costs of Suppliers and
Firms in the Industry
Presence of Substitute Inputs
Supplier Concentration
Importance of Volume to Supplier

Cost Relative to Total Purchases in the Industry

Impact of Inputs on Cost or Differentiation
Threat of Forward Integration Relative to
Threat of Backward Integration
by Firms in the Industry.

#### Substitutes

#### **Determinants of Substitution Threat —**

Relative Price Performance of Substitute Switching Costs Buyer Propensity to Substitute Replacement Innovations / Uses

## Buyers

### Determinants of Buyer Power —

Buyer Concentration vs. Firm
Concentration
Buyer Volume
Buyer Information
Ability to Backward Integrate
Substitute Products
Pull-Through

Buyer Switching Costs Relative to Firm
Switching Costs
Price / Total Purchases
Product Differences
Brand Identity
Impact on Quality / Performance
Buyer Profits
Decision Makers' Incentives

#### Industry Rivalry

#### Determinants of Rivalry —

Switching Costs
Concentration and Balance
Informational Complexity
Diversity of Competitors
Corporate Stakes
Exit Barriers

## Individual Competitor

## Determinants of Individual Competitor Analysis —

Identification of Competitor
• Primary and Secondary
Growth and Size of Competitor
Competitor Share of Market
Competitor Strengths / Weaknesses
Competitor Past Retaliatory Action

Competitor Future Behavior Competitor Objectives Competitor Strategy Competitor Success to Date

**Competitor Marketing Activities** 



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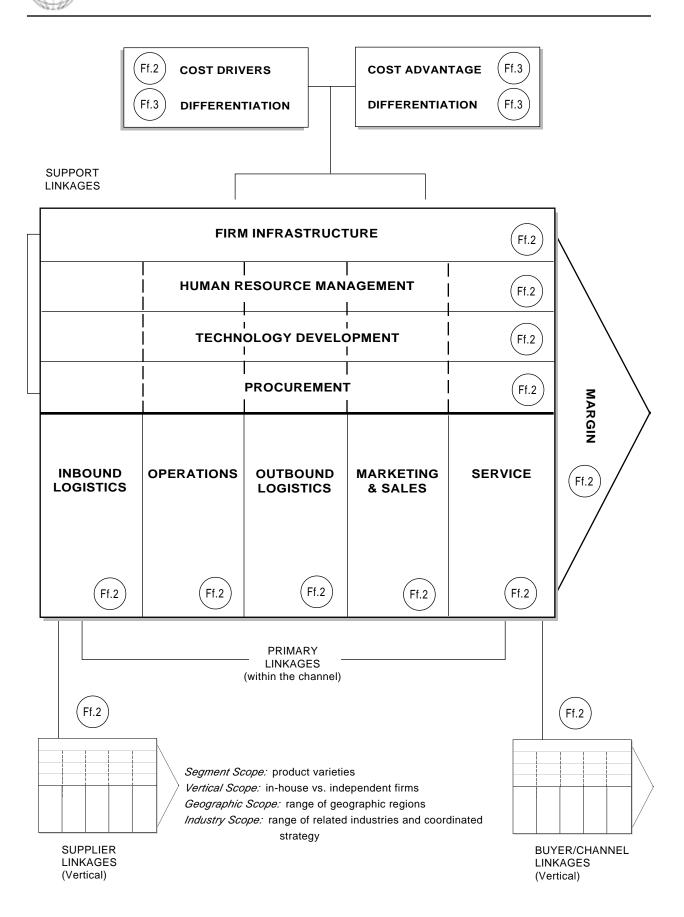
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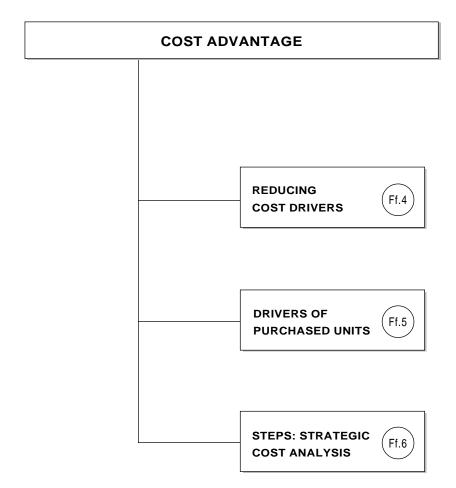
## Value Chain for a Copier Manufacturer — Example

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	1	FIRM INFRASTRUCTUR	Е		
	Recruiting Training		Recruiting	Recruiting	HUMAN RESO MANAGEMEN
Design of Automated System	Component Design Assembly Line Design Machine Design Testing and Energy	Information System Development	Market Research  Sales, Aids & Technical Literature	Service Manuals and Procedures	TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMEN
Transportation Services	Materials Supplies Electical Parts Energy	Comupter Services  Transportation Services	Media Agency Services Travel & Sussistence	Spare Parts  Travel &  Subsisitence	PROCUREMEN
Inbound Material Handling Inbound Inspection Parts Picking & Delivery	Component Fabrication  Assembly  Fine Tuning &  Testing  Maintenance  Facilities Operation	Order Processing Shipping	Advertising  Promotion  Sales Force	Service Reps  Spare Parts Systems	

LOGISTICS

& SALES





#### **Reducing Cost Drivers**

# Economies or Diseconomies of Scale

- Appropriate Type of Scale
- Reinforce Scale in Scale-Sensitive Activities
- Exploit Scale Economies where Favored

# Learning and Spillovers

- Manage the Learning Curve
- Keep Learning Proprietary
- Learn from Competitors

# Pattern of Capacity Utilization

- Level Throughput (level fluctuations in operations)
- Reduce Penalty of Throughput Fluctuations

#### Linkages

- internal
- external
- Exploit Linkages within Value Chain
- Work with Suppliers/Channels to Exploit

#### Business Inter-Relationships

- Share Appropriate Activities
- Transfer Know-how to Similar Activities

#### Issues:

- Industry Real Growth
- Differential Scale Sensitivity
- Different Learning Rates
- Differential Technological Change

#### Vertical Integration

• Examine Systematically for Integration and De-Integration

#### **Timing**

- Exploit First-mover or Late-mover Advantages
- Time Purchases in the Business Cycle

# Independent Discretionary Policies

- Modify Policies that do not Contribute to Differentation
- Invest in Technology to Skew Favorable Cost Drivers
- Avoid Frills

#### Location

• Optimize Location

## Institutional Factors

- Share Appropriate Activities
- Transfer Know-how to Similar Activities
  - Relative Inflation of Costs
  - Aging
  - Market Adjustment

## **Drivers of the Unit Cost of Purchased Inputs**

COST DRIVER	COST DRIVER APPLIED TO PROCUREMENT	DESCRIPTION
Economies of Scale	Purchasing Scale	The volume of purchasing with a given supplier affects bargaining power.
Linkages	Linkages with Suppliers	Coordinating with suppliers on specifications, delivery, and other activities can lower total costs.
Interrelationships	Shared purchasing with other business units	Combining purchases with sister business units can improve bargaining power with suppliers.
Integration	Make versus buy	Integration may raise or lower the cost of an input.
Timing	History of supplier relationships	Historical loyalty to or problems with suppliers may affect input costs, access to inputs during tight periods, and services provided by suppliers.
Policies	Purchasing practices	Purcahing practices can significantly improve bargaining power with suppliers and the willingness of suppliers to perform extra services for example:
		<ul> <li>Selection of the number and mix of suppliers.</li> <li>Hedging procedures</li> <li>Investment in information on supplier costs and availability.</li> <li>Annual contracts versus individual purchases.</li> <li>Utilization of by-products.</li> </ul>
Location	Supplier Location	Location of suppliers can affect the cost of inputs through the cost of transportation cant eh ease of communication.
Institutional Factors	Government and union restrictions	Government policy can restrict access ti inputs or affect their cost through tariffs, taxes, and other means. Unions may affect the ability to out-source or whether nonunion suppliers can be used.

#### Gallo's Source of Cost Advantage in Wine — Example

Economies of Scale in Overhead Costs					
	Blending Technology		 	 	
	Grape Purchasing Scale		 	 	
	Backward Integration into Bottles	Bulk Shipments to Supermarket Warehouses	Scale Economies in National Advertising		
	High Speed Bottling Lines		High Sales Force Utilization Due to Scale and Target Accounts		

#### Gallo's Source of Cost Advantage in Wine — Example

- 1. Identify the appropriate value chain and assign costs and assets to it.
- 2. Diagnose the cost drivers of each value activity and how they interact.
- 3. Identify competitor value chains, and determine the relative cost of competitors and the sources of cost differences.
- 4. Develop a strategy to lower relative cost position through controlling cost dirvers or reconfiguring the value chain and / or downstream value.
- 5. Ensure that cost reduction efforts do not erode differentiation, or make a conscious choice to do so.
- 6. Test the cost reducion strategy for sustainability.



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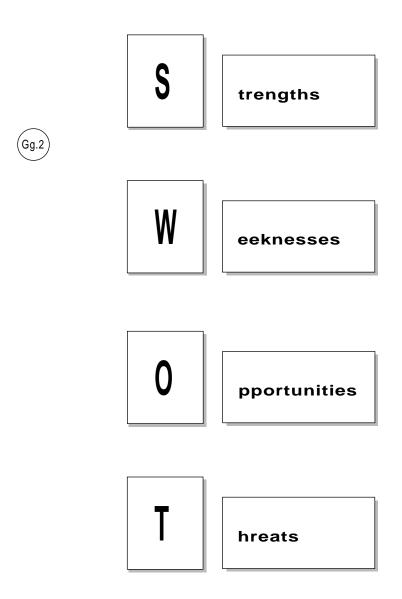
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## INTERNAL CAPABILITIES ANALYSIS





## **INTERNAL CAPABILITIES ANALYSIS**

#### **Strengths**

#### Determinants of Internal Strengths —

Management Resources

Brand / Corporate Identity Organizational Structure

Technology Policies

Channel Distribution Operating Procedures

Service Organization Consistency
Cost Leadership Compatibility

#### Weaknesses

#### Determinants of Internal Weaknesses —

Lack of —

Management Resources

Brand / Corporate Identity Organizational Structure

Technology Policies

Channel Distribution Operating Procedures

Service Organization Consistency
Cost Leadership Compatibility

#### **Opportunities**

#### **Determinants of Internal Opportunities** —

Exploit Competitor's Move

New Technology New Management Industry Changes New Markets

Macroeconomic Changes

#### **Threats**

#### Determinants of Internal Threats —

**Exploit by Competitors** 

New Technology

New Management

**Industry Changes** 

Obsolete Markets

Macroeconomic Changes



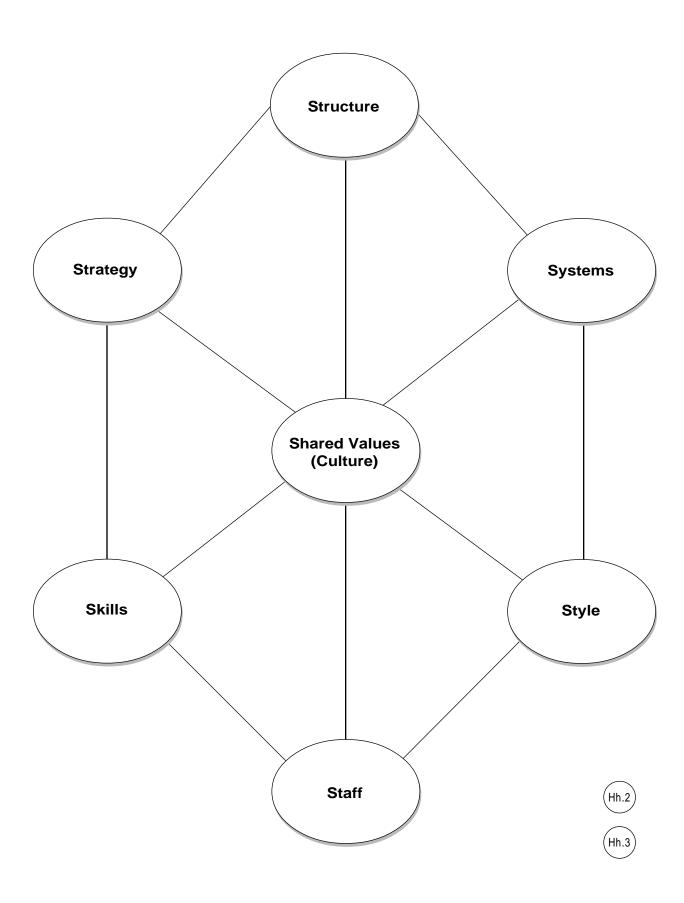
## INTERNAL CAPABILITIES ANALYSIS

## **Appendix**

SWOT Analysis Memo Sheets









## **CORPORATE CULTURE ANALYSIS**

#### Structure

See Corporate Strategy



### **System**

See Corporate Strategy



#### **Style**

See Corporate Strategy



#### Determinants of Structure —

#### Stages:

- Single manager
- Functional
- · Geographic units
- Decentralized LOB's / SBU's

#### Other Alternatives:

- Matrix (many Joint Ventures)
- Combinations
- Customer at Top; CEO at Bottom
- Star Shape (rids hierarchy)

#### Determinants of System —

Reporting -> Measurement -> Assessment -> Behavior

All the procedures, formal and informal, that make the organization work:

- · capital budgeting systems
- training systems
- cost accounting procedures
- budgeting systems

#### Determinants of Style —

What Leadership Style is Appropriate Vision Enthusiasm; Commitment

The Role of Action — Words, Deeds, Details Symbols, Rewards and Champions MBWA (Management by Walking Around)

The Role of Myths and Stories



# **CORPORATE CULTURE ANALYSIS**

### Hh.3

**Staff** 

See Corporate Strategy

(Bb.1)

Determinants of Staff —

Selection Training Nurturing

Liaison / Links

Linking Strategy, Individual Performance and Rewards

**Skills** 

See Corporate Strategy

(Bb.1)

Determinants of Skill —

Develop a New Capability
Dismantling an Old Mentality
Building New Capabilities to Replace Old Capabilities

**Shared Values** 

See Corporate Strategy

(Bb.1)

Determinants of Shared Values —

Creates / Maintains the "Culture" of Organization Individual Values are Hidden, Organizational Behavior is Shown / Seen

Values -> Attitudes -> Beliefs = Behavior

Must be Clear; Communicated; Practised; Rewarded





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## **Matrix Breakdown by Products and Segments**

	West	South	North	East	
Computers	S				
Calculators	S				
Adding Machines	S				
_					
	Banks	N	∕lfg. Firms	Small Retailers	
Full Keyboard					
Deluxe Ten Key					
Basic Ten Key					

Identified Market Segments / Segment Rivalry (Ii.2

Segment Profitability





# SEGMENT PROFITABILITY ANALYSIS

# Product Productivity Analysis — Example

	Company	Full	Deluxe	Basic
	Total	Keyboard	Ten Key	Ten Key
Net Sales	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$2,000
Variable Manufacturing Costs	5,100	2,500	1,375	1,225
Mfg. Contribution	4,900	\$2,500	\$1,625	\$775
Marketing Costs	4,000	Ψ2,000	Ψ1,020	ψσ
Variable:				
Sales Commissions	450	225	135	90
Variable Contribution	\$4,450	\$2,275	\$1,490	\$685
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Salaries — Salesmen	1,600	770	630	200
Salary — Marketing Manager	100	50	25	25
Product Advertising	1,000	670	200	130
Total	\$2,700	\$1,490	\$855	\$355
Product Contribution	\$1,750	\$785	\$635	\$330
Nonassignable:				
Institutional Advertising	150			
Marketing Contribution	\$1,600			
Fixed-joint Costs				
General Administration	300			
	900			
Manufacturing				
Total	\$1,200			
Net Profits	<u>400</u>			

# Segment Productivity Analysis — Example

		Full Key	board	Deluxe T	en Key	Basic Ten Key
	Company Total	Bank Seg.	Nonseg.	Mfg. Seg.	Nonseg.	Retail Seg.
Net Sales	\$10,000	\$3,750	\$1,250	\$2,550	\$450	\$2,000
Variable Manufacturing Costs	5,100	1,875	625	1,169	206	1,225
Mfg. Contribution	4,900	\$1,875	\$625	\$1,381	\$244	\$775
Marketing Costs						
Variable:						
Sales Commissions	450	169	56	115	20	90
Variable Contribution	\$4,450	\$1,706	\$569	\$1,266	\$224	\$685
Assignable:						
Salaries — Salesmen	1,600	630	140	420	210	200
Salary — Marketing Manager	100	38	12	19	6	25
Product Advertising	1,000	670	0	200	0	130
Total	\$2,700	\$1,338	\$152	\$639	\$216	\$355
Segment Contribution	\$1,750	<u>\$368</u>	<u>\$417</u>	<u>\$627</u>	\$8	\$330
Nonassignable:						
Institutional Advertising	150					
Marketing Contribution	\$1,600					
Fixed-joint Costs						
General Administration	300					
Manufacturing	900					
Total	\$1,200					
Net Profits	400					





# SEGMENT PROFITABILITY ANALYSIS

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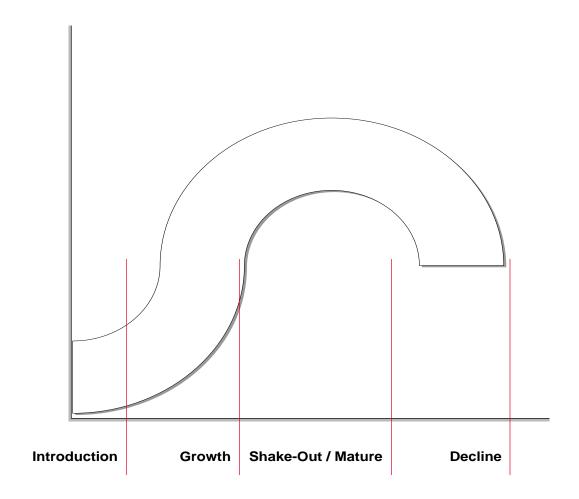
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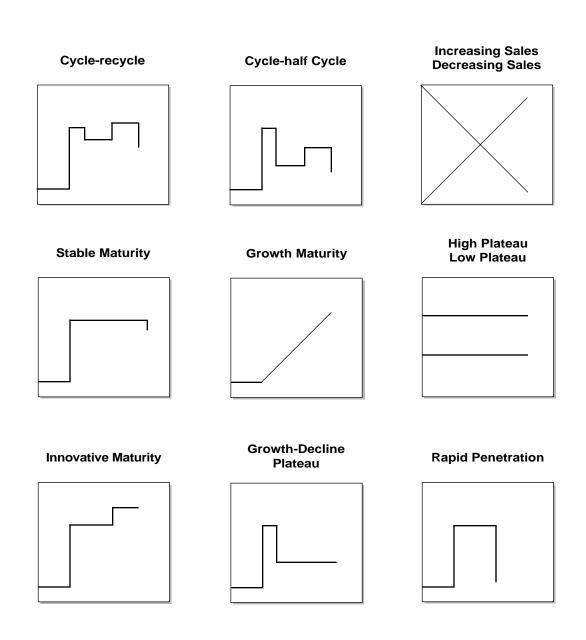
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**Industry Life-cycle** 

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#### **EXAMPLES**



#### **Underlying Factors**

- 1: Initial Trajectory Stage (Introduction)
  - Rate of Diffusion
  - Experience Effects
  - Other Exogenous Factors
- 3: Evolution to Maturity
  - Expanding Market Potential
  - Buyer Learning (Price Sensitivity)
  - Competitive Turbulence

- 2: Transition to Rapid Growth
  - Changes in the relationship with substitute product (value perception)
  - Competitive Entry Strategies
  - Influence of Repeat Buying



# LIFE CYCLE ANALYSIS

	Introduction	Growth	Shake-Out	Maturity	Decline
Strategy	Minimize learning require- ments, locate and remedy offering defects quickly, develop widespread awareness of benefits, and gain trial by early adopters.	To establish a strong brand market and distribution niche as quickly as possible.	To maintain and strengthen the market niche achieved through dealer and consumer loyalty.	To defend brand position against competing brands and product category against other potential products, through constant attention to product improvement opportunities and fresh promotional and distribution approaches.	To maintain and strengthen the market niche achieved through dealer and consumer loyalty.
Outlook for Competition	None is likely to be attracted in the early, unprofitable stages.	Early entrance of numerous aggressive emulators.	Price and distribution squeeze on the industry, shaking out the weaker entrants.	Competition stabilized, with few or no new entrants and market shares not subject to substantial change in the absence of a substantial perceived improvement in some brand.	Similar competition declining and dripping out because of decrease in consumer interest.
Product Design Objective	Limited number of models with physical product and offering designs both focused on minimizing learning requirements. Designs cost- and use-engineered to appeal to most receptive segment. Utmost attention to quality control and quick elimination of market-revealed defects in design.	Modular design to facilitate flexible addition of variants to appeal to every new segment and new use-system as fast as discovered.	Intensified attention to product improvement, tightening up of line to eliminate unnecessary specialties with little market appeal.	A constant alert for market pyramiding opportunities through either bold cost-and price-penetration of new markets of major product changes. Introduction of flanker products. Constant attention to possibilities for product improvement and cost cutting. Reexamination of necessity of design compromises.	Constant pruning of line to eliminate any items not returning a direct profit.
Pricing Objective	To impose the minimum of value: perception learning and to match the value reference perception of the most receptive segments. High trade discounts and sampling advisable.	A price line for every taste. Customary trade discounts. Aggressive promo- tional pricing, with price cuts as fast as costs decline.	Increased attention to market- broadening and promotional pricing opportunities.	Defensive pricing to preserve product category franchise. Search for incremental pricing opportunities, including private label contracts, to boost volume and gain an experience advantage.	Maintenance of profit level pricing with complete disregard of any effect on market share.
Promotional Guidelines Communications Objectives	Create widespread awareness and understanding offering benefits. Gain trial by early adopters.	Create and strengthen brand preference among trade and final users. Stimulate trial.	Maintain consumer franchise and strengthen dealer ties.	Maintain consumer and trade loyalty, with strong emphasis on dealers and distributors. Promotion of greater use frequency.	Phase out, keeping just enough to main- tain profitable distribution.
Media Mix	In order of value: Publicity Personal Sales Mass Communications.	Mass media Personal sales Sales promos. Publicity .	Mass media. Dealer promos. Personal sales Sales promos. Publicity.	Mass media Dealer-oriented promotions.	Cut down all media to the bone-use no sales promos.
Distribution Policy	Exclusive or selective with distributor margins high enough to justify heavy promotional spending.	Intensive and extensive, with dealer margins just high enough to keep them interested. Close attention to rapid re-supply of stocks and heavy inventories.	Intensive and extensive, and a strong emphasis on keeping dealer will supplied, but with minimum inventory cost to him.	Intensive and extensive, with strong emphasis on keeping dealer well supplied, but at minimum inventory cost to him.	Phase out outlets as they become marginal.
Intelligence Focus	To identify actual developing use-systems and to uncover any product weakness.	Detailed attention to brand position, to gaps in model and market coverage, and for market segmentation.	Close attention to product improvement needs, to market-broadening.	Intensified attention to possible product improvements. Sharp alert for potential new interproduct competition and for signs of beginning product decline.	Information helping to identify the point at which the product should be phased out.

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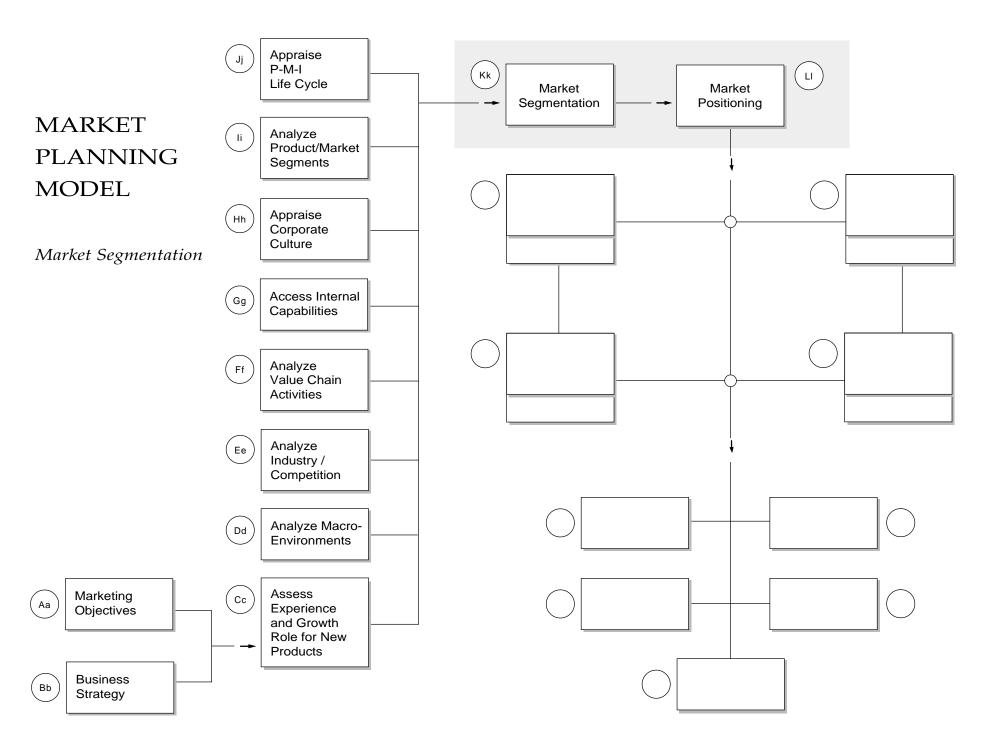
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**SEGMENTING** 

THE MARKET

Physical Descriptors Segmentation (Kk.2)

General Behavior Segmentation (Consumer)

(Kk.3)

General Behavior Segmentation (Industrial)

(Kk.4)

Product-Related Segmentation

(Kk.5)

Customer Needs Segmentation

(Kk.5





Targeting Strategies

(Kk.8

Allocating Marketing Resources

(Kk.7)

Market Attractiveness

(Kk.6)





### **SEGMENTATION ANALYSIS**

# Physical Descriptors Industrial Segmentation

Identify macrosegments based on key organizational characteristics such as:

- Size
- Usage Rate
- Application of Product
- SIC Category; and Market Served
- Organization Structure
- Location
- New vs. Repeat Purchase

# Physical Descriptors Consumer Segmentation

Demographic Segmentation:

- Age
- Sex
- Family Life Cycle
- Income
- Occupation
- Education
- Geographic Location
- Race/Ethnic Origin

Select a set of "acceptable" macrosegments

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Evaluate each of the selected macrosegments on whether it exhibits distinct response to the firm's marketing stimuli

If it *does*, stop and use the macrosegment as the target segment

If it *does not*, identify *within* each acceptable macrosegment the relevant microsegments (i.e. with homogeneous response) based on the key DMU (decision making unit) characteristics. This characteristic can be the criterion used in choosing among alternative suppliers or any other DMU characteristic, such as:

- Position in authority and communications networks of firm
- Personal characteristics: demographic, personality
- Perceived importance of purchase
- Relative importance of scientific determinants of buying decision
- Attitudes toward venders
- Decision rules

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Select the desired target microsegments based on the *costs* and benefits associated with reaching the segment

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Identify the complete profile of the segment based on the organizational and DMU characteristics



General Behavior Segmentation

Consumer Life-Style (Psychographics)

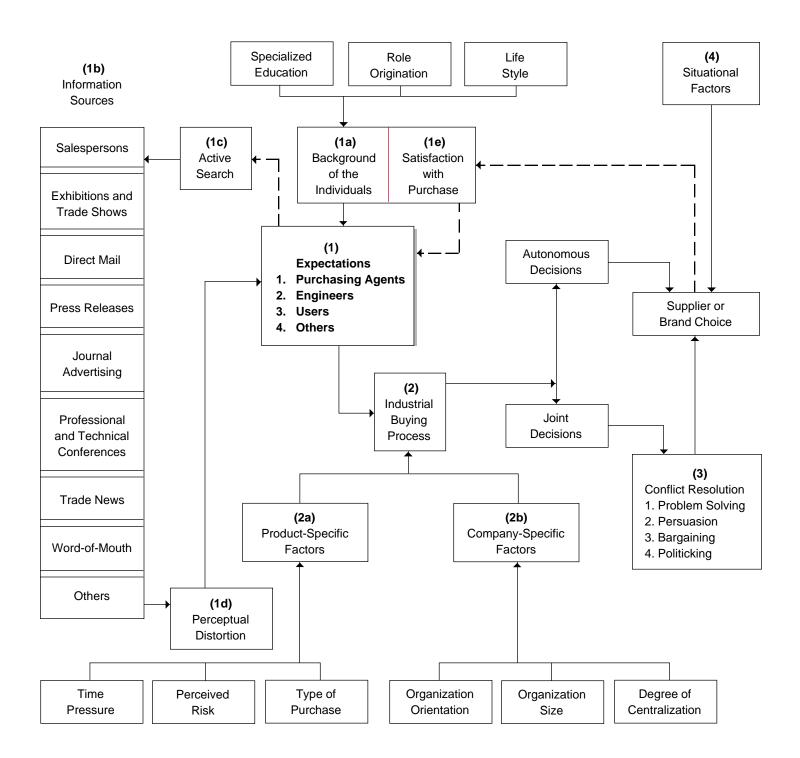
		Abundant Resources
	Actualizers	
Principal Oriented	Status Orient.	Action Oriented
Fulfilleds	Achievers	Experiencers
Believers	Strivers	Makers
	Strugglers	Minimal Resources



# **SEGMENTATION ANALYSIS**

General Behavior Segmentation

Industrial Buying Situation





Product-Related Behavioral Descriptors

> Product Usage key accounts

Loyalty

Purchase
Predisposition

are they aware

Purchase Influence

**Customer Needs** 

Benefits Sought Choice Criteria



# Market Attractiveness Factors

#### MARKET —

Size

Growth including stage in product life cycle

Market gaps

Differentiation possibilities

Bargaining power of customers

Cyclicality and seasonality

Distribution

#### ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL —

Investment intensity

Industry capacity

Technology

Barriers to entry and exit

Access to supplies

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#### COMPETITIVE —

Competitive structure

Competitive groupings

Substitute products

Price

Individual competitor analysis

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL**

# **SEGMENTATION ANALYSIS**

Market Attractiveness /
Resource Allocation
Matrix

## **Competitive Position**

		Strong	Medium	Weak
	High	DESIRABLE POTENTIAL TARGET  Protect Position  Invest to grow at maximum digestible rate  Concentrate on maintaining strength	DESIRABLE POTENTIAL TARGET Invest to Build  Challenge for leadership  Build selectively on strengths  Reinforce vulnerable areas	Build Selectively     Specialize around limited strengths     Seek ways to overcome weaknesses     Withdraw if indications of sustainable growth are lacking
Market Attractiveness	Medium	DESIRABLE POTENTIAL TARGET  Build selectively  • Emphasize profitability by increasing productively  • Build up ability to counter competition	Manage for Earnings  • Protect existing strengths  • Invest to improve position only in areas where risk is low	Limited Expansion or Harvest  • Look for ways to expand without high risk; otherwise, minimize investment and focus operations
	Low	Protect and Refocus  • Defend strengths  • Seek ways to increase current earnings without speeding market's decline	Manage for Earnings  • Protect position  • Minimize investment	Seal when possible to maximize cash value     Meantime, cut fixed costs and avoid further investment



Targeting Strategies

## Mass-Market Strategy

- undifferentiated
- differentiated

Niche-Market Strategy

Growth-Market Strategy



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# Physical Product Positioning



# Perceptual Product Positioning

Step (1): Identify relevant set of competitive products

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**Step (2):** Identify the set of determinant attributes that define the "product space" in which positions of current offerings are located

LI.4

**Step (3):** Collect information from a sample of customers about perceptions of each product on the determinant attributes

LI.6

**Step (4):** Analyze intensity of a product's current position in customers' minds

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**Step (5):** Determine product's current location in the product space *(product positioning)* 

(LI.15)

**Step (6):** Determine customers' most preferred combination of determinant attributes

LI.2

**Step (7):** Examine the fit between preferences of market segments and current position of product *(market positioning)* 

LI.2

Step (8): Select positioning or repositioning strategy

LI.2



# **Physical Product Positioning**

Product-line Filling

Filling an internal gap within the existing line.

Product-line Stretching

Adding new items at either end of the existing product line.

Product-line Extensions

Introducing new products that differ significantly from those in the existing line.



# **Physical Product Positioning**

Step (1): Identify relevant set of competitive products



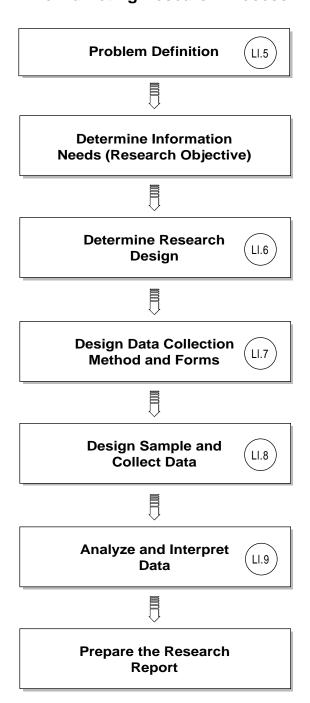
First by PRODUCT CATEGORY

Second by BRAND LEVEL

Look for likely substitutes to Ascertain Strengths / Weaknesses

**Step (2):** Identify the set of determinant attributes that define the "product space" in which positions of current offerings are located

### **The Marketing Research Process**





### **Process of Problem Definition**

Situation Analysis (External and Internal Environ.)

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Problem / Opportunity Definition

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Generation of Alternatives

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**Evaluation of Alternatives** and Decision

Detailing of Selected Strategy and Development of an Implementable Action Plan



# **Research Design: Measurement Scales Summary**

Type of Scale	Property	Quantitative Representation of Construct	Ease on Respondent	Ease on Researcher	Personal	Telephone	Mail
Rank Order	Ordinal	# schools Ranked Higher					
Rank Order	Ordinal	Ranked Higher					
Paired Comparison	Ordinal	#Times A > B					
Semantic Differential	Interval	Mean Value on Scale					
Likert	Interval	Mean Value on Scale					
Category Adjective	Interval	Mean Value on Scale					
Constant Sum	Ratio	# Points Allocated					
Constant Sum Paired Comparison	Ratio	Total Points Allocated					

Questionnaire Samples

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Questionnaire Design

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#### **QUESTIONNAIRE DESIGN**

**Problem** 

**Information Needed** 

**Research Design** 

**Objectives** 

Type of Research

Plan of Data Collection

Secondary

**Primary** 

**Type of Survey** 

**Questionnaire Design** 

**Divide into Sections** 

**List Questions** 

**Write Questions** 

**Pretest** 

Cover Letter, Screening, Etc.

Sampling

**Plan of Analysis** 

**Budget** 



**Step (3):** Collect information from a sample of customers about perceptions of each product on the determinant attributes

# Means, Frequencies, and Cross-Tabulations

#### Why use these methodologies?

- First Step in deriving meaning from your data
- Provides initial insights on positioning and segmentation

#### Level of Measurement:

- Interval or ratio for means (binary variables will provide proportions)
- No restrictions for frequencies, although defining value levels is needed to restrict the number of categories
- No restrictions for cross-tabs, although defining value levels is needed in order to reduce the "spare data" problem

#### Hypotheses to test:

- Is the sample mean different from (or greater/less than) some value
- Are two sample means different from each other
- Is there relationship between two or more variables

#### Advantages of Means and Frequencies:

- Can give you an initial "feel" for your data
- Calculate means on continuous data (interval or ratio scaled)
- Calculate frequencies on nominal and ordinal data

#### **Advantages of Cross-tabs:**

- Easy to communicate
- No assumptions are made about the form of the data
- They can start to help you learn about the product's positioning, market segmentation or point out relationships between two or more variables

#### Disadvantages:

- High disaggregated data
- Best suited for looking at two variables at a time
- More that two variables will quickly use up the sample size
- The number of potential cross-tabulations can be astronomical

# PRODUCT / MARKET POSITIONING

**Step (3):** Collect information from a sample of customers about perceptions of each product on the determinant attributes

# **Factor Analysis**

#### Factor analysis is a data reduction technique:

- Goal is to reduce a large number of independent variables to a smaller number of "factors"
- This is a method of interdependence

#### How many factors:

- Eigenvalue > 1 rule
- · Percent of total variation explained
- Scree plot
- Interpretation of factors

#### Name that factor:

- Look for similarities among high loading variables
- Factor rotation aids in interpretation

#### Why use Factor Analysis?

- Positioning
- Identifying important variables
- Substantive interpretation
- Eliminates collinearity in regression analysis

#### **Level of Measurement**

• Interval or ratio scale independent variables

#### **Hypothesis to Test:**

• Which factor is most important?

#### Abuses:

- Can predetermine factor analysis outcome
- Using factor scores in a regression compounds errors
- Naming factors can hide or distort the meaning of data



# PRODUCT / MARKET POSITIONING

Step (3): Collect information from a sample of customers about perceptions of each product on the determinant attributes

# **Discriminant Analysis**

#### Why use this methodology?

- Predict group membership
- Market segmentation

#### Analysis of dependence

#### **Level of Measurement:**

- Dependent variable is nominally scaled
- Independent variables are intervally scaled

#### Hypotheses to test:

- Which variable is the best predictor of group membership
- Is the overall discriminant function statistically and practically significant

#### Test of statistical significance:

- Standardized discriminant function coefficients for determining best predictor
- Wilkes lambda, and t-test comparison with benchmarks for overall statistical and practical significance

#### Characteristics of a "good" market segmentation:

- Measurability
- Substantiability
- Accessability
- Actionability

#### **Hypothesis to Test:**

Which factor is most important?

#### Abuses:

- Can predetermine factor analysis outcome
- Using factor scores in a regression compounds errors
- Naming factors can hide or distort the meaning of data

# PRODUCT / MARKET POSITIONING

**Step (3):** Collect information from a sample of customers about perceptions of each product on the determinant attributes

# **Conjoint Analysis**

#### A 6-step process:

- Identify attributes and attribute levels
- Design product profiles
- Rank order the profiles
- Prepare data
- Obtain conjoint model for each respondent
- Interpret the conjoint models

#### Benefits of conjoint analysis:

- Rigorous, good data
- Intuitively appealing, can identify important trade-offs
- Can simulate market shares for new products
- Use with cluster analysis to find benefit segments (describe segments using discriminant analysis with segment identification as dependent variable)

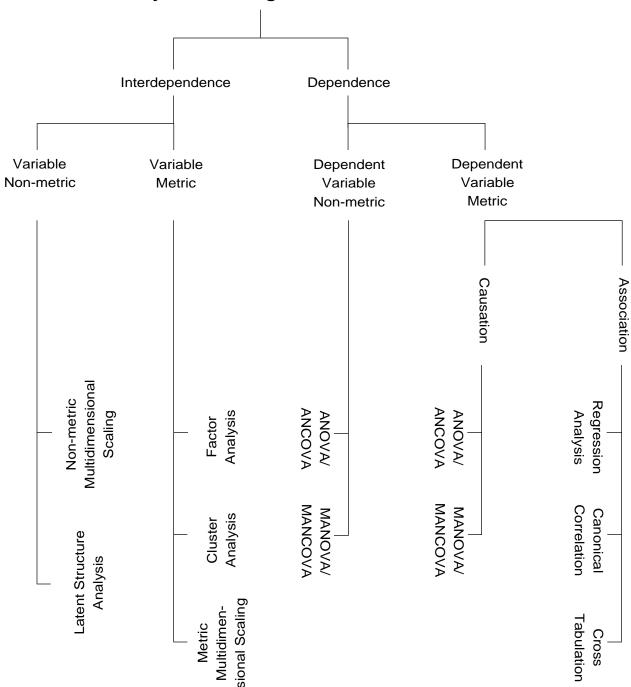
### Limitation of conjoint analysis:

- Purchase intent translation is difficult
- Difficult for respondents to provide rankings if there are a large number of attributes/attribute levels (this limits the size of problems which are amenable to conjoint analysis)
- Respondents may sort on one variable, and then provide a "random" assortment on all remaining attributes
- Doesn't take into account competitive retaliation



Step (3): Collect information from a sample of customers about perceptions of each product on the determinant attributes

# **Summary of Marketing Research Methods**







**Step (4):** Analyzing the Intensity of a Product's Current Position

#### **Unaided Brand Recall**

naming the brands under limited and controlled time conditions.

#### **Aided Brand Recall**

submitting a list of brands from a given product class

#### **Spontaneity of Brand Recall**

first brand name in unaided brand recall has strongest product position



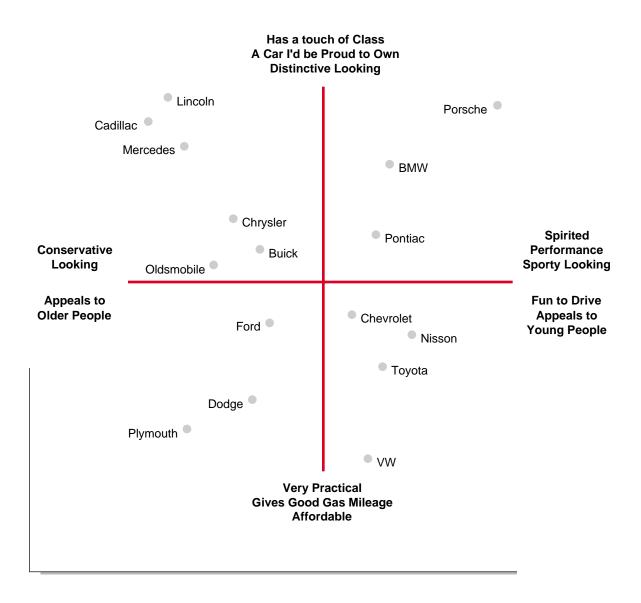
#### **Association between a Brand and Product Class**

association made bra a consumer between a product class, usage situation, or a specific problem, and a given brands

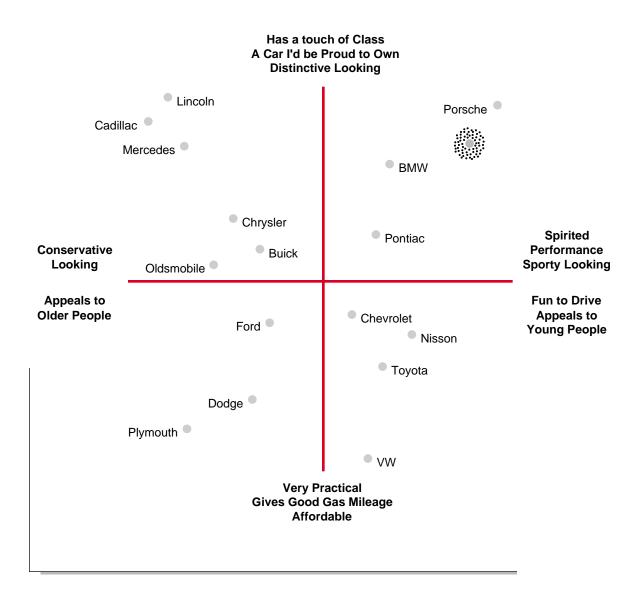
#### Association between a Brand and Specific Attribute

association with properties that are relevant in a purchasing situation.

**Step (5):** Analyzing the Product's Current Relative Position (Product Positioning).

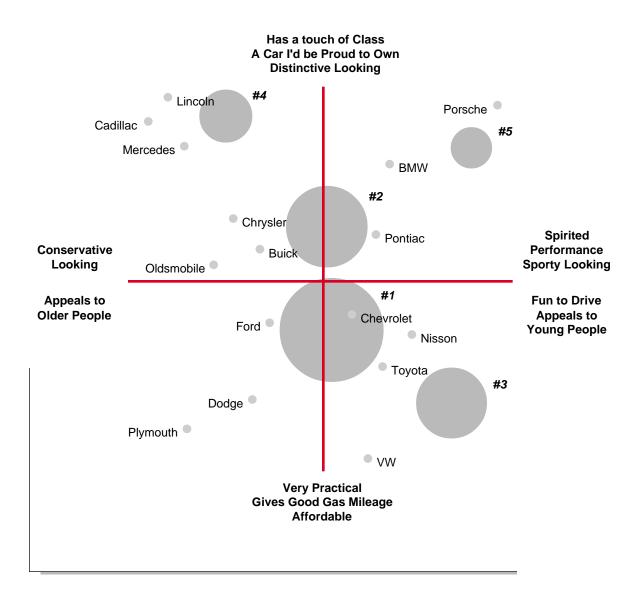


**Step (6):** Determine Customers' Most Preferred Combination of Determinant Attributes



## PRODUCT / MARKET POSITIONING

Step (7): Examine the fit Between Preferences of Market Segments and Current Position of Product (Market Positioning)



- 1) Clusters in Two or More Locations can be Considered as a Distinct Market Segment.
- 2) The Size of the Circle Reflects the Relative Proportion of Customers within a Particular Segment.



- 3) Mapping Shows the Competitive Strength of Different Brands in Different Segments.
- 4) Mapping Shows the Intensity of the Rivalry between Brands in a given Segment.
- 5) Mapping Shows the Opportunities for Gaining a Differentiated Position within a Target Segment.

Step (8): Select Positioning or Repositioning Strategy

Market Positioning Strategies Monosegment Positioning

Multisegment Positioning

Standby Positioning

Imitative Positioning

Anticipatory Positioning

Adaptive Positioning

Defensive Positioning Stopgap Positioning

See Strategy Sections Mn1 - Pp1

Sales Potential of Market Positioning Strategies Growth of Market Segments Evolution of Segment's Ideal Points

Changes in Positioning Intensity

**Evolution of Existing Brands' Positions** 

**Emerging** Attributes

**Evolution of Existing Brands' Positions** 

**Development of New Segments** 





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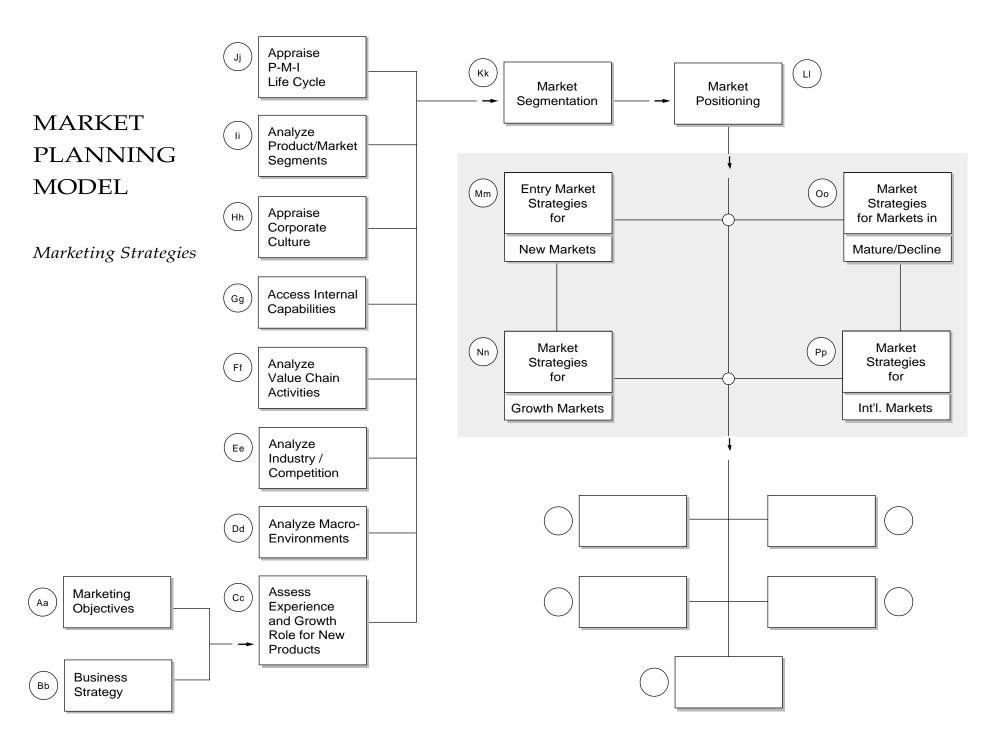
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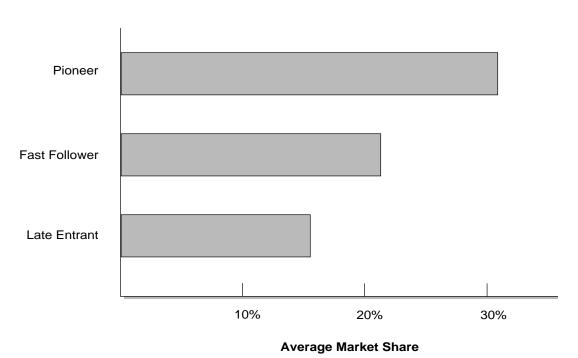
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#### **Market Entry Strategy**



Strategic Exhibits Illustrating New Product Management



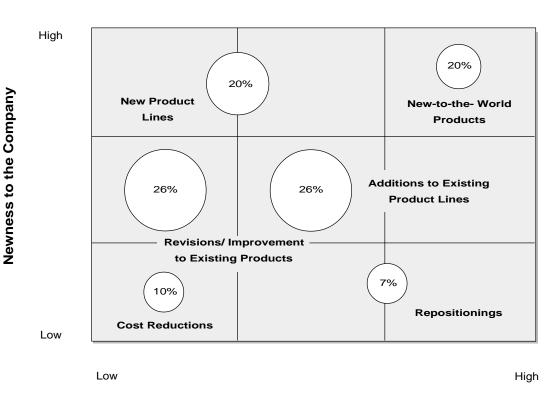


Potential Advantages of Pioneer and Follower Strategies





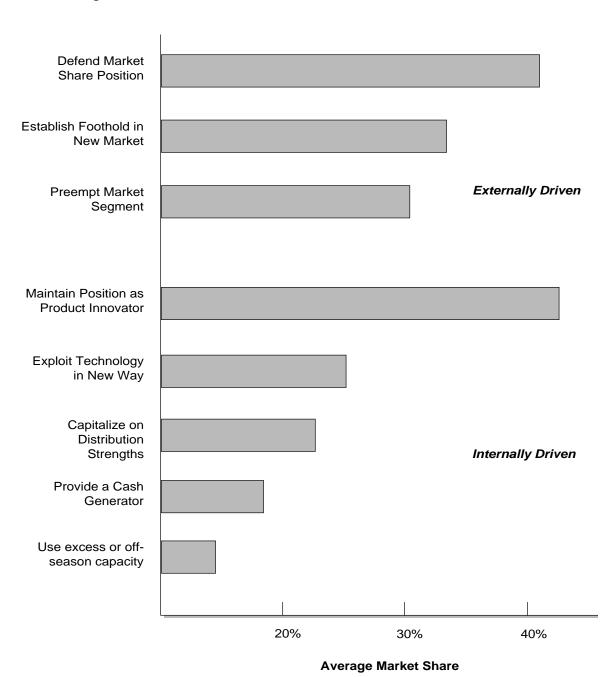
# **Categories of New Products Defined According to Their Degree of Newness**



**Newness to the Market** 

#### Strategic Objectives Attained by Successful New-Market Entries

#### Strategic Role





# **Potential Advantages of Pioneer and Follower Strategies**

#### **Pioneer**

- First Choice of market segments and positions
- Pioneer defines the "rule of the game"
- Distribution advantages
- Economics of scale and experience
- High switching costs for early adopters
- Possibility of preempting scarce resources

#### Follower

- Ability to take advantage of pioneer's positioning mistakes
- Ability to take advantage of pioneer's product mistakes
- Ability to take advantage of pioneer's marketing mistakes
- Ability to take advantage of pioneer's limited resources
- Ability to take advantage of the latest technology



## Potential Advantages of Pioneer and Follower Strategies

These marketers	are characterized by one or more of these
	strategy elements:
Successful Pioneers	Large entry scale
	Broad product line
	<ul> <li>High product quality</li> </ul>
	Heavy promotional expenditures
Successful Fast Followers	Larger entry scale than the pioneer
	<ul><li>"Leapfrogging" the pioneer with superior:</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>product technology</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>product quality</li></ul>
	— customer service
Successful Late Entrants	Focus on peripheral target markets or niches

Marketing Strategies for New-Product Pioneers



Components of Strategic Marketing Programs



# **Marketing Strategies for New-Product Pioneers**

Situational Variables	Mass-market Penetration	Niche Penetration	Skimming; Early Withdrawal
Market Characteristics	Large potential demand	Large potential demand	Limited potential demand
	<ul> <li>Relatively homogeneous customer needs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fragmented market; many different applica- tions and benefit segments</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Customers likely to adopt product relatively slowly; long adoption process</li> </ul>
Product Characteristics	<ul> <li>Customers likely to adopt product relatively quickly; short diffusion process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Customers likely to adopt product relatively quickly; short adoption process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Early adopters willing to pay high price; demand is price inelastic</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Product technology patentable or difficult to copy.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Product technology of- fers little patent protec- tion; easily copied or adapted.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Product technology offers little patent protec- tion; easily copied or adapted</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Components or materials difficult to obtain; limited sources of supply</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Components or materials easy to obtain; many sources of supply.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Components or materials easy to obtain; many sources of supply.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Complex production process; substantial de- velopment and/or in- vestment required.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Relatively simple pro- duction process; little development or addi- tional investment required.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Relatively simple pro- duction process; little development or addi- tional investment required</li> </ul>
Competitor	• Few potential	Many potential	Many potential
Characteristics	competitors  • Most potential competitors have limited resources and competencies; few sources of differential advantage	competitors  • Some potential competitors have substantial resources and competencies; possible sources of differential advantage	competitors  • Some potential competitors have substantial resources and competencies; possible sources of differential advantage



# NEW MARKETS STRATEGIES

# **Marketing Strategies for New-Product Pioneers**

Situational Variables	Mass-market Penetration	Niche Penetration	Skimming; Early Withdrawal
Firm Characteristics	<ul> <li>Strong product engineering skills; able to quickly develop product modifications and line extensions for multiple market segments.</li> </ul>	Limited product engi- neering skills and resources	<ul> <li>Strong basic R&amp;D and new-product develop- ment skills; a prospector with good capability for continued new-product innovation.</li> </ul>
	Strong marketing skills and resources; ability to identify and develop marketing programs for multiple segments; ability to shift from stimulation of primary demand to stimulation of selective demand as competitors enter	Limited marketing skills and resources	Good sales and promotional skills; able to quickly build primary demand in target market; perhaps has limited marketing resources for long-term market maintenance
	<ul> <li>Sufficient financial and organizational resources to build capacity in ad- vance of growth in demand</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Insufficient financial or organizational resources to build capacity in ad- vance of growing demand</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Limited financial or or- ganizational resources to commit to building ca- pacity in advance of growth in demand</li> </ul>

## **Marketing Programs for New-Product Pioneers**

Strategic Objectives and Tasks	Mass-market Penetration	Niche Penetration	Skimming; Early Withdrawal
Increase customers' awareness and willingness to buy.	<ul> <li>Heavy advertising to generate awareness among customers in mass market; broad use of mass media.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Heavy advertising directed at target segment to generate awareness; use selec- tive media relevant to target.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Limited advertising to generate awareness, particularly among least price sensitive early adopters.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Extensive sales force efforts to win new adopters; possible use of incentives to encour- age new-product sales.</li> </ul>	Extensive sales force efforts focused on potential customers in target segment; possible use of incentives to encourage new-product sales to target accounts.	Extensive sales force efforts, particularly focused on largest potential adopters; possible use of volume-based incentives to encourage new-product sales.
	<ul> <li>Advertising and sales appeals stress generic benefits of new-product type.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Advertising and sales appeals stress generic benefits of new-product type.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Advertising and sales appeals stress generic benefits of new-product type.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Extensive introductory sales promotions to induce trial (sampling, couponing, quantity discounts).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Extensive introductory sales promotions to induce trial, but focused on target segment.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Limited use, if any, introductory sales promotions; if used, they should be volume-based quantity discounts.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Move relatively quickly to expand offerings (line extensions, multiple package sizes) to appeal to multiple segments.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Additional product development limited to improvements or modifications to increase appeal to target seg- ment.</li> </ul>	Little, if any, additional development within the product category.

## **Marketing Programs for New-Product Pioneers**

Strategic Objectives and Tasks	Mass-market Penetration	Niche Penetration	Skimming; Early Withdrawal
	<ul> <li>Offer free trial, liberal return, or extended warranty policies to reduce customers' perceived risk of adopt- ing the new product.</li> </ul>	Offer free trial, liberal return, or extended warranty policies to reduce target customers' perceived risk of adopting the new product.	<ul> <li>Offer free trial, liberal return, or extended warranty policies to reduce target customers' perceived risk of adopt- ing the new product.</li> </ul>
Increase customers' ability to buy.	<ul> <li>Penetration pricing; or start with high price but bring out lower-priced versions in anticipation of competitive entries.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Penetration pricing; or start with high price but bring out lower-priced versions in anticipation of competitive entries.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Skimming pricing; attempt to maintain margins at level consis- tent with value of product to early adopt- ers.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Extended credit terms to encourage initial pur- chases.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Extended credit terms to encourage initial pur- chases.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Extended credit terms to encourage initial pur- chases.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Heavy use of trade promotions aimed at gaining extensive distribution.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Trade promotions aimed at gaining solid distribu- tion among retailers or distributors pertinent for reaching target seg- ment.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Limited use of trade promotions; only as necessary to gain adequate distribution.</li> </ul>
	Offer engineering, installation, and training services to increase new product's compatibility with customers' current operations to reduce "switching costs."	Offer engineering, installation, and training services to increase new product's compatibility with customers' current operations to reduce "switching costs."	<ul> <li>Offer limited engineer- ing, installation, and services necessary to overcome customers' objections.</li> </ul>



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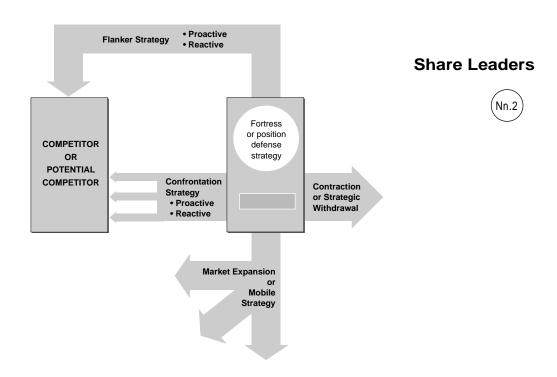
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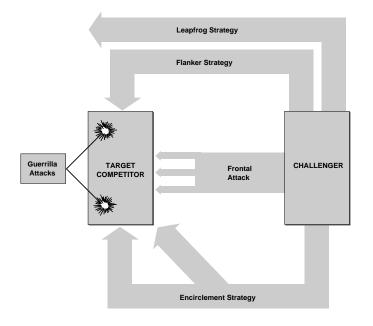
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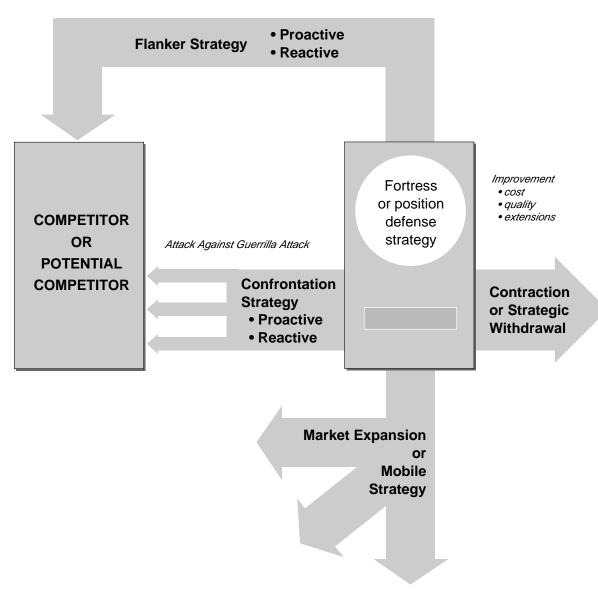




## **Challengers**



Introducing New Concept or Flanked Brand, Mostly Low-Priced



Marketing Objectives and Strategies for Share Leaders

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Marketing Actions to Achieve Share-Maintenance Objectives

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Diagram for Gaining Market Share

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## **Marketing Objectives and Strategies for Share Leaders**

Situational Variables	Fortress or Position Defense	Flanker	Confrontation	Market Expansion or Mobile	Contraction or Strategic Withdrawal
Primary Objective	Increase satisfaction, loyalty, and repeat purchase among current customers by building on existing strengths; appeal to late adopters with same attributes and benefits offered to early adopters.	Protect against loss of specific segment of current customers by developing a second entry that covers a weakness in original offering; improve ability to attract new customers with specific needs of purchase criteria different from those of early adopters.	Protect against loss of share among current customers by meeting or beating a head- to-head competitive offering; improve ability to win new customers who might otherwise be attracted to competitor's offering.	Increase ability to attract new customers by developing new product offerings or line extensions aimed at a variety of new applications and user segments; improve ability to retain current customers as market fragments.	Increase ability at attract new customers in selected high- growth segments by focusing offerings and resources on those seg- ments; withdraw from smaller or slower growing segments to conserve resources.
Market Characteristics	Relatively homogeneous market with respect to customer needs and purchase criteria; strong preference for leader's product among largest segment of customers.	Two or more major market segments with distinct needs or purchase criteria.	Relatively homogeneous market with respect to customer's needs and purchase criteria; little preference for, or loyalty toward, leader's product among largest segment of customers.	Relatively heter- geneous market with respect to customer needs and purchase criteria; multiple product uses requiring different product or service attributes.	Relatively hetrogeneous market with respect to customer needs and purchase criteria and growth potential; multiple product uses requiring different product or service attributes.

# **Marketing Objectives and Strategies for Share Leaders**

Situational Variables	Fortress or Position Defense	Flanker	Confrontation	Market Expansion or Mobile	Contraction or Strategic Withdrawal
Competitor's Characteristics	Current and potential competitors have relatively limited resources and competencies.	One or more current or potential competitors with sufficient resources and competencies to effectively implement a differentiation strategy.	One or more current or potential competitors with sufficient resources and competencies to effectively implement a head-to-head strategy.	Current or potential competitors have relatively limited resources and competencies, particularly with respect to R&D and marketing.	One or more current or potential competitors with sufficient resources and competencies to present a strong chal- lenge in one or more growth segments.
Firm's Characteristics	Current product offering enjoys high awareness and preference among major segment of current and potential customers; firm has marketing and R&D resources and competencies equal to or greater than any current or potential competitor.	Current product offering perceived as weak on at least one attribute by a major segment of current or potential customers; firm has sufficient R&D and marketing resources to introduce and support a second offering aimed at the disaffected segment.	Current product offering suffers low awareness, preference and/ or loyalty among major segment of current or potential customers; firm has R&D and marketing resources and competencies equal or greater than any current or potential competitor.	No current offerings in one or more potential applications segments;; firm has marketing and R&D resources and competencies equal or greater than any current or potential competitor.	Current product offering suffers low awareness, preference and/ or loyalty among major segment of current or potential customers in one or more major growth segments; firm's R&D and marketing resources and competencies are limited relative to those of one or more competitors.



#### Marketing Actions to Achieve Share-Maintenance Objectives

#### Marketing Objectives

#### **Possible Marketing Actions**

#### Retain current customers by:

Maintaining/improving satisfaction and loyalty.

- Increase attention to quality control as output expands.
- Continue product modification and improvement efforts to increase customer benefits and/or reduce costs.
- Focus advertising on stimulation of selective demand; stress product's superior features and benefits; remainder advertising.
- Increase sales force's servicing of current accounts; consider formation of national or key account representatives for major customers; consider replacing independent manufacturer's reps with company salespeople.
- Expand postsale service capabilities; develop or expand company's own service force, or develop training programs for distributors' and dealers' service people; expand parts inventory; consider development of customer service hotline.

Encourage/simplify repeat purchase

- Expand production capacity in advance of increasing demand to avoid stockouts
- Improve inventory control and logistics systems to reduce delivery times.
- Continue to build distribution channels; use periodic trade promotions to gain more extensive retail coverage and maintain shelf-facings; strengthen relationships with strongest distributors/dealers.
- Consider negotiation long-term requirements contracts with major customers.
- Develop a second brand or product line with features or price more appealing to a specific segment of current customers (flanker strategy).
- Develop multiple-line extensions or brand offerings targeted to the needs of several user segments in the market (market expansion, mobile strategy).
- Meet or beat lower prices or heavier promotional efforts by competitors—or try to preempt such efforts by potential competitors—when necessary to retain customers and when lower unit costs allow (confrontation strategy).

Reduce attractiveness of switching

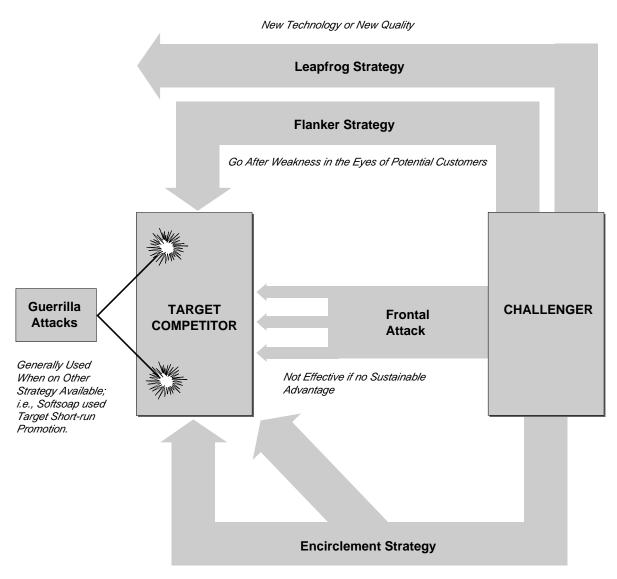
# Stimulate selective demand among later adopters by:

Head-to-head positioning against competitive offerings or potential offerings

- Develop a second brand or product line with features or price more appealing to a specific segment of potential customers *(flanker strategy).*
- Make product modifications or improvements to match or beat superior competitive offerings (confrontation strategy).
- Meet or beat lower prices or heavier promotional efforts by competitors when necessary to retain customers and when lower unit costs allow (confrontation).
- When resources are limited relative to competitor's, consider withdrawing
  from smaller or slower growing segments to focus product development and
  promotional efforts on higher potential segments threatened by competitor
  (contraction or strategic withdrawal strategy).

Differentiated positioning against competitive offerings or potential offerings

- Develop multiple-line extensions or brand offerings targeted to the needs of various potential user applications, or geographical segments within the market (market expansion or mobile strategy).
- Build unique distribution channels to more effectively reach specific segments
  of potential customers (market expansion or mobile strategy).
- Design multiple advertising and/or sales promotion campaigns targeted at specific segments of potential customers (market expansion or mobile strategy)



Not Necessarily Different in Product, but different in the Other '3-P's'

Marketing Objectives and Strategies for Challengers

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Marketing Actions to Achieve Share-Growth Objectives

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Diagram for Gaining Market Share (Nn.11)

## **Marketing Objectives and Strategies for Challengers**

Situational Variables	Fortress or Position Defense	Flanker	Confrontation	Market Expansion or Mobile	Contraction or Strategic Withdrawal
Primary Objective	Capture substantial repeat/replacement purchases from target competitor's current customers; attract new customers among later adopters by offering lower price or more attractive features.	Induce current customers in mass market to replace their current brand with superior new offering; attract new customers by providing enhanced benefits.	Attract substantial share of new customers in one or more major segments where customer's needs are different from those of early adopters in the mass market.	Attract substantial share of new customers in a variety of smaller, specialized segments where customers' needs or preferences differ from those of early adopters in the mass market.	Capture a modest share of repeat/ replacement purchases in several market segments or territories; attract a share of new customers in a number of existing segments.
Market Characteristics	Relatively homogeneous market with respect to customers' needs and purchase criteria; relatively little preference or loyalty for existing brands.	Relatively homogeneous market with respect to customers' needs and purchase criteria; but some needs or criteria not currently met by existing brands.	Two or more major segments with distinct needs and purchase criteria; needs of customers in at least one segment not currently met by existing brands.	Relatively heter- geneous market with a number of small, special- ized segments; needs and preferences of customers in some seg- ments not currently satisfied by competing brands.	Relatively hetro- geneous market with a number of larger seg- ments; needs and prefer- ences of customers in most segments currently satisfied by competing brands.

## **Marketing Objectives and Strategies for Challengers**

Situational Variables	Fortress or Position Defense	Flanker	Confrontation	Market Expansion or Mobile	Contraction or Strategic Withdrawal
Competitor's Characteristics	Target competitor has relatively limited resources and competencies, particularly in marketing and R&D would probably be vulnerable to direct attack.	One or more current competitors have relatively strong resources and competencies in marketing, but relatively unsophisticated technology and limited R&D competencies.	Target competitor has relatively strong resources and competencies, particularly in marketing and R&D would probably be able to withstand direct attack.	One or more current competitors have relatively strong marketing, R&D resources and competencies, and/or lower costs; could probably withstand a direct attack.	A number of competitors have relatively strong marketing, R&D resources and competencies, and/or lower costs; could probably withstand a direct attack.
Firm's Characteristics	Firm has stronger resources and competencies in R&D and marketing and/ or lower operating costs than target competitor.	Firm has proprietary technology superior to that of competitors; firm has necessary marketing and production resources to stimulate and meet primary demand for new generation of products.	Firms' resources and competen- cies are limited, but sufficient to effectively penetrate and serve at least one major market segment.	Firm has marketing, R&D, and production resources and competencies necessary to serve multiple smaller segments; firm has decentralized and adaptable management structure.	Firm has relatively limited marketing, R&D, and/or production resources and competencies; firm has decentralized and adaptable management structure.

#### Marketing Actions to Achieve Share-Growth Objectives

#### Marketing Objectives

#### **Possible Marketing Actions**

Capture repeat/replacement purchases from current customers of the leader or other target competitor by:

Head-to-head positioning against competitor's offering in primary target market

- Develop products with features and/or performance levels superior to those of the target competitor.
- Draw on superior product design, process engineering, and supplier relationships to achieve lower unit costs.
- Set prices below target competitor's for comparable level of quality or performance, but only if low-cost position is achieved.
- Outspend the target competitor on promotion aimed at stimulating selective demand:
   Comparative advertising appeals directed at gaining a more favorable positioning than the target competitor's brand enjoys among customers in the mass market.
  - Sales promotions to encourage trial if offering's quality or performance is perceptively better than target competitor's, or induce brand switching.

Build more extensive and/or better trained sales force than target compet.

- Outspend the target competitor on trade promotion to attain more extensive retail coverage, better shelf space, and/or representation by the best distributors/dealers.
- Outperform the target competitor on customer service:
  - Develop superior product scheduling, inventory control, and logistics systems to minimize delivery times and stockouts.
  - Develop superior postsales service capabilities; build a more extensive company service force, or provide better training programs for distributors/dealer service people than target competitor.
- If resources are limited, engage in one or more of the preceding actions (e.g., an advertising blitz, sales or trade promotions) on a sporadic basis in selected territories (guerrilla attack strategy).

Technological differentiation from target competitor's offering in its primary target market

- Develop a new generation of products based on different technology that
  offers a superior performance or additional benefits desired by current and
  potential customers in the mass market (*leapfrog strategy*).
- Build awareness, preference, and replacement demand through heavy introductory promotion:

Comparative advertising stressing product's superiority.

Sales promotions to stimulate trial or encourage switching.

- Extensive, well-trained sales force; heavy use of product demonstrations in sales presentations.
- Build adequate distribution through trade promotions and dealer training programs.

#### Marketing Actions to Achieve Share-Growth Objectives

# Marketing Objectives

#### **Possible Marketing Actions**

# Stimulate selective demand among later adopters by:

Head-to-head positioning against target competitor's offerings in established market segments.

· See preceding actions.

Differentiated positioning focused on untapped or underdeveloped segments.

 Develop a differentiated brand or product line with unique features or price that is more appealing to a major segment of potential customers whose needs are not met by existing offerings (flanking strategy).

or

- Develop multiple line extensions or brand offerings with features or prices targeted to the unique needs and preferences of several smaller potential applications or regional segments (encirclement strategy).
- Design advertising, personal selling, and/or sales promotion campaigns that address specific interests and concerns of potential customers in one or multiple underdeveloped segments to stimulate selective demand.
- Build unique distribution channels to more effectively reach potential customers in one or multiple underdeveloped segments.
- Design service programs to reduce the perceived risks of trial and/or solve the unique problems faced by potential customers in one or multiple underdeveloped segments (e.g., systems engineering, installation, operator training, or extended warranties).

# **Schematic Diagram of the Process of Planning Market Share Gains**

(1) INFORMATION COLLECTION	(2) COMPETITIVE ANALYSIS	(3) PRODUCT LINE SEGMENTATION	(4) ESTABLISH OVERALL OBJECTIVES/STRAT.	(5) SET SPECIFIC ACCOUNT TARGETS	(6) ESTABLISH OVERALL OBJECTIVES/STRAT.	(7) IMPLEMENT
BOTTOM-UP Information from sales force survey		→ LINES TO MILK  (Dominant position or no gain possible)  Act to keep share, manage for cash. Probable cost of gaining share greater than benefit gained	Define, maintain competitive price, service, product innovation.	Normal sales budgeting —	<del>.</del> ,	Continue to manage business normally
	Define competitive price, service, selling effort and advertising level for each line.     Establish where key competitors are vulnerable     Define what share gain strategies may work against each competitor	LINES SUBJECT TO SHARE GAIN (Low share, preferably growing market, don't have dominant position, competition considered vulnerable)	Bestablish overall share-gain goals for product lines, distribution channels, etc. Set key overall strategies including: Price decrease and differential to be maintained for specified period of time Service improvement Increased selling effort Increased advertising and promotion effort necessary to gain share Key accounts to take away from competition.	Establish sales territory and specific account targets where competition vulnerable to lower price, improved service, or selling effort beyond overall policies.	Establish cost/benefits of gaining additional share over "do nothing" or "maintain competitive standards" policy	Execute program for product lines where gains satisfactorily outweigh cos  Reiterate process if proposed results unsatisfactor  Establish strategy for lines where cost of gains outweigh ben fits and lines not subject to share gain
TOP-DOWN Information from market reach and competitive intelligence	<u> </u>	LINES SUBJECT TO PRODUCT INNOVATION (Unfilled customer need, subsequent new-product opportunity or need for substantial improvement of existing product)	Define and develop needed innovation  Establish introductory price, service, and distribution policies.	Define normal new- product launch strategy including:  • Establishing specific accounts where competition specifically vulnerable to new products or where lower pricing, improved service, or selling effort beyond overall policies will gain share.	Cost/benefit analysis →	Execute program if justified



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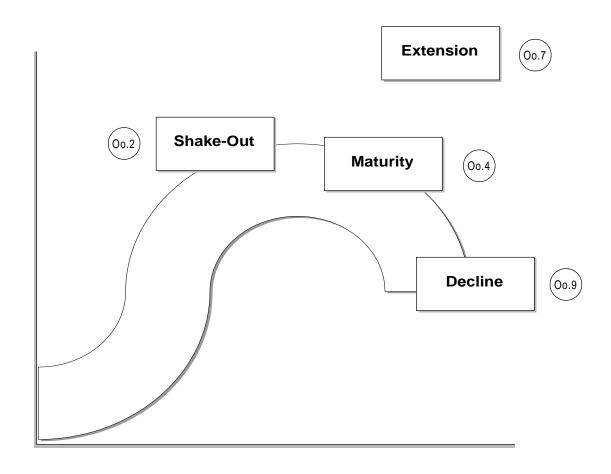
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# Characteristics of the Transition Period — Shake-out (Growth to Maturity)

**Excess Capacity** 

More Intense Competition

Difficulty of Maintaining Differentiation

**Distribution Problems** 

Pressures on Prices and Profits



#### Strategic Traps Firms Can Fall Into During the Shakeout Period

#### Failure to anticipate transition from growth to maturity.

- Firms may make overly optimistic forecasts of future sales volume.
- As a result, they expand too rapidly and production capacity overshoots demand as growth slows.
- Their excess capacity leads to higher costs per unit.
- Consequently, they must cut prices or increase promotion in an attempt to increase their volume.

#### No clear competitive advantage as growth slows.

- Many firms can succeed without a strong competitive advantage during periods of rapid growth.
- However, firms that do not have the lowest costs or a superior offering in terms of product quality or service can have difficulty sustaining their market share and volume as growth slows and competition intensifies.

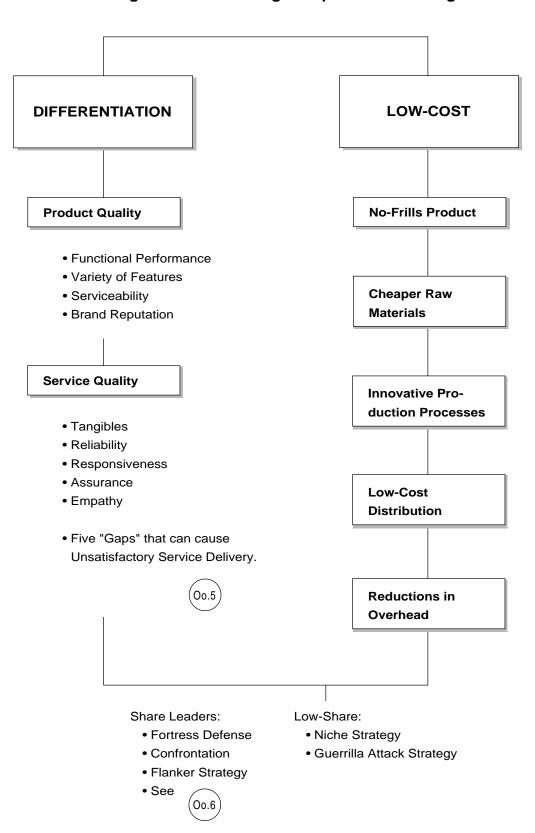
# Assumption that an early advantage will insulate the firm from price or service competition.

- In many cases, technological differentials become smaller as more competitors enter and initiate product improvements as an industry approaches maturity.
- If customers perceive that the quality of competing brands has become more equal, they are likely to attach greater importance to price or service differences.
- Failure to detect such trends can cause an early leader to be complacent and slow to respond to competitive threats.

#### Sacrificing market share in favor of short-run profit.

- A firm may cut marketing or R&D budgets or forgo other expenditures in order to maintain its historical level or profitability even through industry profits tend to fall during the transition period.
- This can cause long-run erosion of market share and further increases in unit costs as the industry matures.

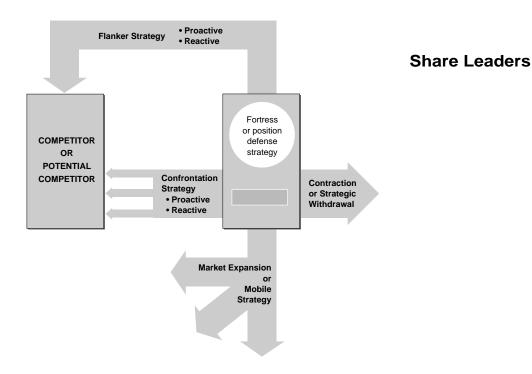
#### **Strategies for Maintaining Competitive Advantage**

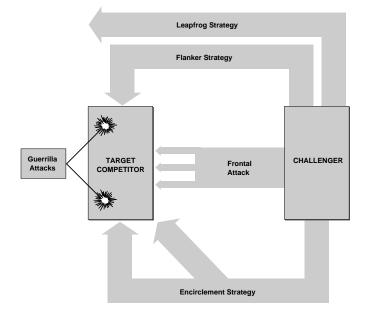




#### Five "Gaps" That Can Cause Unsatisfactory Service Delivery







# **Challengers**

## **Marketing Objectives and Strategies for Extending Growth**

Situational Variables	Increased Penetration	Extended Use	Contraction or Strategic Withdrawal
Primary Objective	Increase the proportion of users by converting current nonusers in one or more major market segments.	Increase the amount of product used by the average customer by increasing frequency of use or developing new and more varied ways to use the product.	Expand the number of potential customers by targeting underdeveloped geographic areas or applications segments.
Market Characteristics	Relatively low penetration in one or more segments (i.e., low percentage of potential users have adopted the product); relatively homogeneous market with only a few large segments.	Relatively high penetration but low frequency of use in one or more major seg- ments; product used in only limited ways or for special occasions; relatively homogeneous market with only a few large segments.	Relatively heterogenous market with a variety of segments; some geographic areas, including foreign countries, with low penetration; some product applications underdeveloped.
Competitor Characteristics	Competitors hold relatively small market shares; comparatively limited resources or competencies make it unlikely they will steal a significant portion of converted nonusers.	Competitors hold relatively small market shares; comparatively limited resources or competencies make it unlikely their brands will be purchased for newly developed uses.	Competitors hold relatively small market shares; has insufficient resources or competencies to preempt underdeveloped geographic areas or applications segments.
Firm Characteristics	A market share leader in the industry; has R&D and marketing competencies to produce product modifications or line extensions; has promotional resources to stimulate primary demand among current nonusers.	A market share leader in the industry; has marketing competencies and resources to develop and promote new uses.	A market share leader in the industry; has marketing and distribution competencies and resources to develop new global markets or applications systems.

#### **Marketing Actions for Growth-Extension Objectives**

#### Marketing Objectives

#### **Possible Marketing Actions**

#### **Increased Penetration**

Convert current nonusers in target segment into users

- Enhance product's value by adding features, benefits, or services.
- Enhance product's value by including it in the design of integrated systems.
- Stimulate additional primary demand through promotional efforts stressing new features or benefits:

Advertising through selected media aimed at the target segment.

Sales promotions directed at stimulating trial among current nonusers (e.g., tie-ins with other products).

Some sales effort redirected toward new account generation; perhaps by assigning some sales personnel as account development reps or by offering incentives for new account sales.

• Improve availability by developing innovative distribution systems.

#### **Extended Use**

Increase frequency of use among current users

- Move storage of the product closer to the point of end use by offering additional package sizes or designs.
- Encourage larger volume purchases (for nonperishable products):
   Offer quantity discounts.

Offer consumer promotions to stimulate volume purchases or more frequent use (e.g., multipack deals, frequent flier programs).

• Reminder advertising stressing benefits for a variety of usage occasions

Encourage a wider variety of uses among current users

- Develop line extensions suitable for additional uses or applications.
- Develop and promote new uses for the basic product.

Include information about new applications/recipes on package.

Develop extended use advertising campaign, particularly with print media.

Communicate new application ideas through sales presentations to current customers.

Encourage new uses through sales promotions (e.g., tie-ins with complementary products).

#### **Market Expansion**

Develop differentiated positioning focused on untapped or underdeveloped segments

 Develop a differentiated flanker brand or product line with unique features or price that is more appealing to a segment or potential customer whose needs are not met by existing offerings.

or

- Develop multiple line extensions or brand offerings with features or prices targeted to the unique needs and preferences of several smaller potential applications or regional segments.
- · Consider producing for private labels.
- Design advertising, personal selling, and/or sales promotion campaigns that address specific interests and concerns of potential customers in one or multiple underdeveloped segments too stimulate selective demand.
- Build unique distribution channels to more effectively reach potential customers in one or multiple underdeveloped segments.
- Design service programs to reduce the perceived risks of trial and/or solve the
  unique problems faced by potential customers in one or multiple underdeveloped segments (e.g., systems engineering, installation, operator trailing,
  extended warranties).

## **Marketing Objectives and Strategies for Declining Markets**

Situational Variables	Harvesting	Maintenance	Profitable Survivor	Niche
Primary Objective	Maximize short-term cash flow; maintain or increase margins even at expense of a slow decline in market share.	Maintain share in short term as market declines, even if margins must be sacrificed.	Increase share of the declining market with an eye to future profits; encourage weaker competitors to exit.	Focus on strength- ening position in one or a few relatively substantial seg- ments with potential for future profits.
Market Characteristics	Future market decline is certain, but likely to occur at a slow and steady.	Market has experienced recent declines, but future direction and attractiveness are currently hard to predict.	Future market decline is certain, but likely to occur at a slow and steady rate; substantial pockets of demand will continue to exist.	Overall market may decline quickly, but one or more segments will remain as demand pockets or decay slowly.
Competitor Characteristics	Few strong competi- tors; low exit barriers; future rivalry not likely to be intense.	Few strong competitors, but intensity of future rivalry is hard to predict.	Few strong competitors; exit barriers are low or can be reduced by firm's intervention.	One or more stronger competitors in mass market, but not in the target segment.
Firm Characteristics	Has a leading share position; has a substantial proportion of loyal customers who are likely to continue buying brand even if marketing support is reduced.	Has a leading share of the market and a relatively strong competitive position.	Has a leading share of the market and a strong competitive position; has superior resources or competencies necessary to encourage competitors to exit or to acquire them.	Has a sustainable competitive advantage in target segment, but overall resources may be limited.

#### **Marketing Actions for Declining Market Objectives**

# Marketing Objectives

#### **Possible Marketing Actions**

#### **Harvesting Strategy**

Maximize short-term cash flow; maintain or increase margins even at the expense of market share decline.

- Eliminate R&D expenditures and capital investments related to the business.
- · Reduce marketing and sales budgets:

Greatly reduce or eliminate advertising and sales promotion expenditures, with the possible exception of periodic reminder advertising targeted at current customers.

Reduce trade promotions to minimum level necessary to prevent rapid loss of distribution coverage.

Focus sales force efforts on attaining repeat purchases from current custom-

ers

Seek ways to reduce production costs, even at the expense of slow erosion in

· product quality.

Raise price if necessary to maintain margins.

#### **Maintenance Strategy**

Maintain market share for the short term, even at the expense of margins.

Continue product and process R&D expenditures in short term aimed at

· maintaining or improving product quality.

Continue maintenance levels of advertising and sales promotion targeted at

· current users.

Continue trade promotion at levels sufficient to avoid any reduction in distribu-

- tion coverage.
- Focus sales force efforts on attaining repeat purchases from current users.
   Lower prices if necessary to maintain share, even at the expense of reduced margins.

**Profitable Survivor Strategy** 

Increase share of the declining market; encourage weaker competitors to exit.

Signal competitors that firm intends to remain in industry and pursue an increased share:

Maintain or increase advertising and sales promotion budgets.

Maintain or increase distribution coverage through aggressive trade promotion.

Focus some sales force effort on winning away competitors' customers.

Continue product and process R&D to seek product improvements or cost

- reductions.
- Consider introducing line extensions to appeal to remaining demand segments. Lower prices if necessary to increase share, even at the expense of short-term
- · margins.

Consider agreements to produce replacement parts or private labels for smaller competitors considering getting out of production.

**Niche Strategy** 

Strengthen share position in one or a few segments with potential for continued profit.

- Continued product and process R&D aimed at product improvements or
- modifications that will appeal to target segment(s).

Consider producing for private labels in order to maintain volume and hold

· down unit costs.

Focus advertising, sales promotion, and personal selling campaigns on customers in target segment(s); stress appeals of greatest importance to those

customers.

Maintain distribution channels appropriate for reaching target segment; seek unique channel arrangement to more effectively reach customers in target

segment(s).

Design service programs that address unique concerns/problems of customers in target segment(s).

# MATURE/DECLINE MARKETS STRATEGIES

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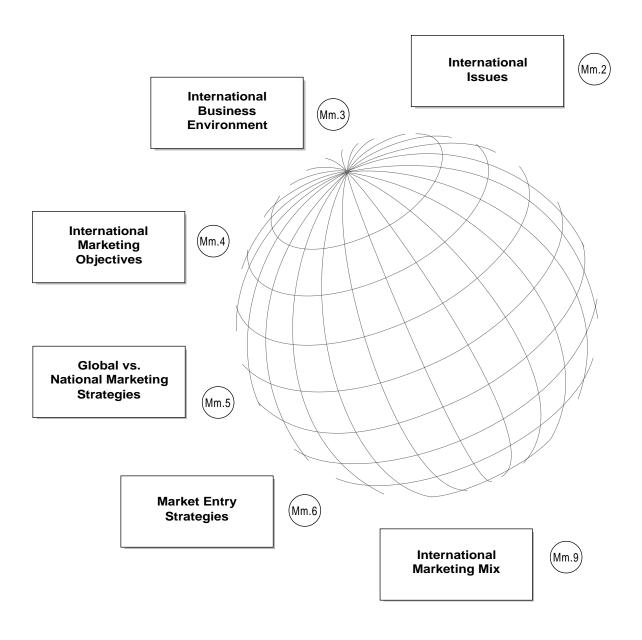
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### **International Marketing Issues**

# • International Business Environment — physical, legal, economic, political, cultural, and competitive.

Issues: What is the relative attractiveness of each country? What opportunities are present? What threats exist? What are the major differences between each overseas market and the home market?

### • International Marketing Objectives — other than profitability.

Issues: What does a company hope to a achieve by going overseas other than increase its profitability? How important is it to protect market leadership? To benefit from scale economies? To service customers who have moved overseas?

### • Selecting Export Target Markets.

*Issues:* What candidate product(s) should be selected? What countries are most attractive and where does the firm have strong relative business advantages? Which countries should be targeted and in what order?

### • Alternative Overall Strategies:

Issues: What are the characteristics of a global high-share strategy? A global niche strategy? A national high-share strategy? A niche strategy? Under what conditions would each of the above strategies be used?

### Market Entry Strategies.

Issues: What are the major ways by which a firm can enter a foreign country? Within each of these ways, there are a variety of specific entry modes — What are they and under what set of conditions should each be used?

### • International Marketing Mix.

Issues: to what extent can a firm standardize its marketing plan across countries? Under what conditions should it market the same product to all countries? Why do the other elements in the marketing mix tend to be localized?

### • Exporting Services.

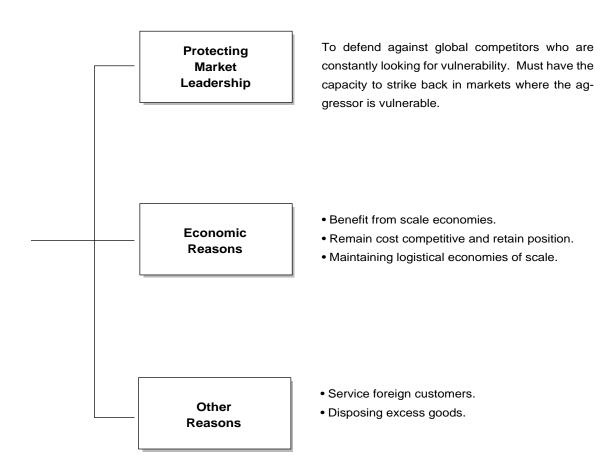
*Issues:* What kinds of service has the United States exported? What has happened to the value of these exports?

### **International Business Environments**

# Regulations include: Legal Tariffs Indirect Barriers **Environment** Quotas • Bank Discriminations • Embargoes • Foreign Govt. Participation • Economic Environment — Economic, Political, affects the demand for a particular product (the and Cultural **Environment** purchasing power of various consumer groups). • Political Environment consider the stability of a country; the extent to which the a country relies on centralized planning and government ownership. • Cultural Environment its system of values, beliefs, and norms. • Competitive Environment — Competitive and substantial differences exist among the vari-Infrastructure **Environments** ous target countries. • Infrastructure Environment important here are the local transport system,

media, and channels of distribution.

# **International Marketing Objectives**



### Global vs. National Marketing

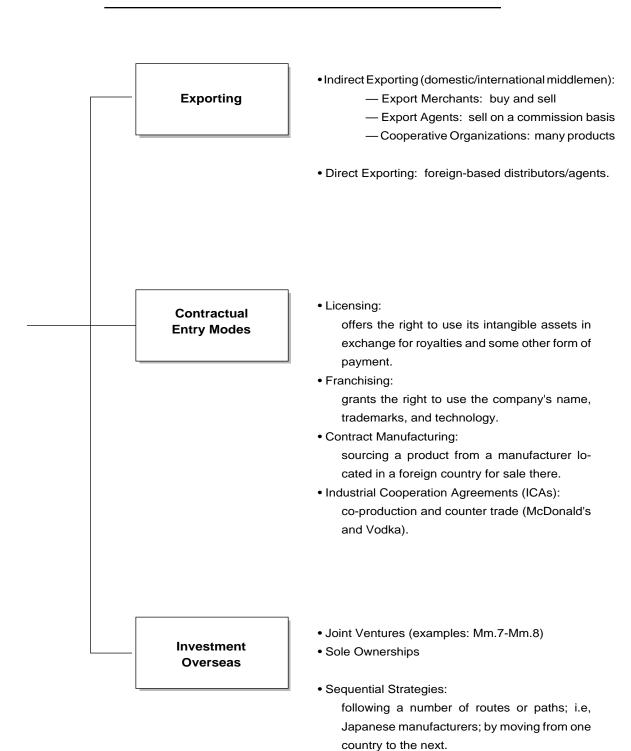
**Global Strategies** 

The success of a global strategy depends largely on the extent to which the product — and to a lesser extent the marketing program — can be standardized across countries (e.g., Levitt's theory) as mass communications penetrate the global market.

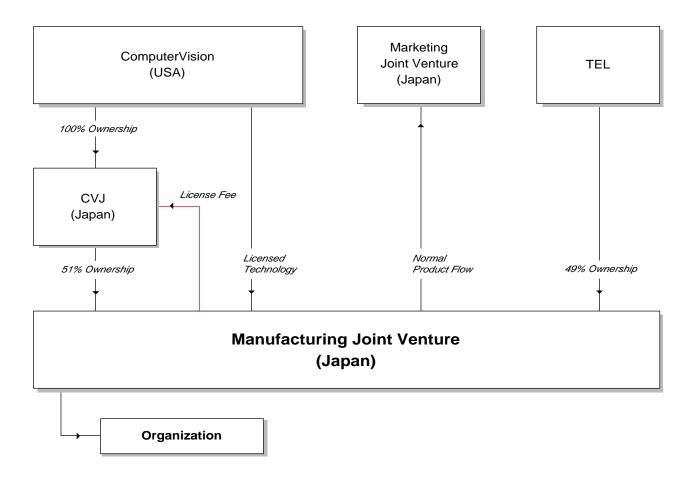
Global High-Share vs. Global Niche Strategies Because of the enormous resources required to implement a high-share global strategy, many firms opt for some type of specialization, focusing on a global niche. Such strategies can take many forms, including specialization by technology (genetic engineering), product (low-cost motor cars), geography (exporting only to England), market segment (designer apparel), and stage of production (components versus final assembly).

National Strategies A national strategy — sometimes called a localization strategy — is based on the premise that products and programs must be adapted to the needs and wants of individual countries because of their environment, especially cultural, differences.

### **Market Entry Strategies**



### Manufacturing Joint Venture — Example



President: Japanese-speaking American

Strong computer industry/computer manufacturing background

Experienced in manufacturing technology transfer

**Executive V.P.:** English-speaking Japanese

Strong computer industry/computer manufacturing background

Experienced in manufacturing and sourcing in Japan

Controller: Japanese-speaking American

Other Managers: English-speaking Japanese

Notes: • Clearly visible to customers and prospects.

• Product development, software development, and prototype

development performed in the U.S.

• Mass production, including sourcing, performed in Japan.

Product modification for Japanese applications performed in Japan.

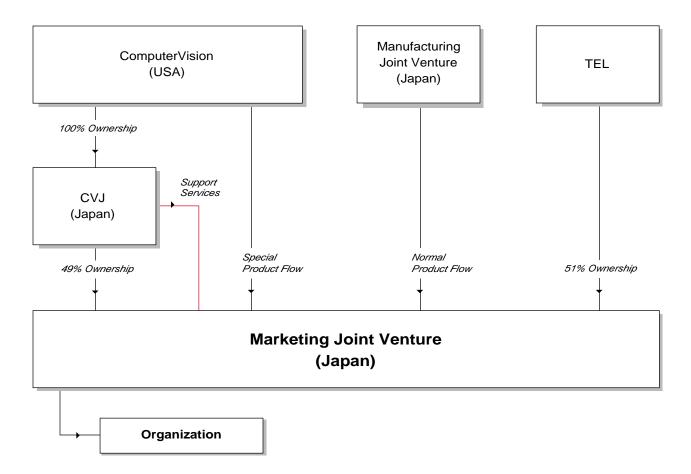
• Cross-licensing of Japanese-developed technology to CV (USA) and

CV (ROTW: Rest of the World).

Product sales to Japan only through Marketing Joint Venture.

Any sale of products outside Japan only through other CV entities.

### Marketing Joint Venture — Example



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**Executive V.P.:** Japanese-speaking American

Strong computer industry/computer manufacturing background

Experienced in marketing and service management

Controller: English-speaking Japanese

Other Managers: English-speaking Japanese

Notes: • Reconciliation of Japanese and American specifications.

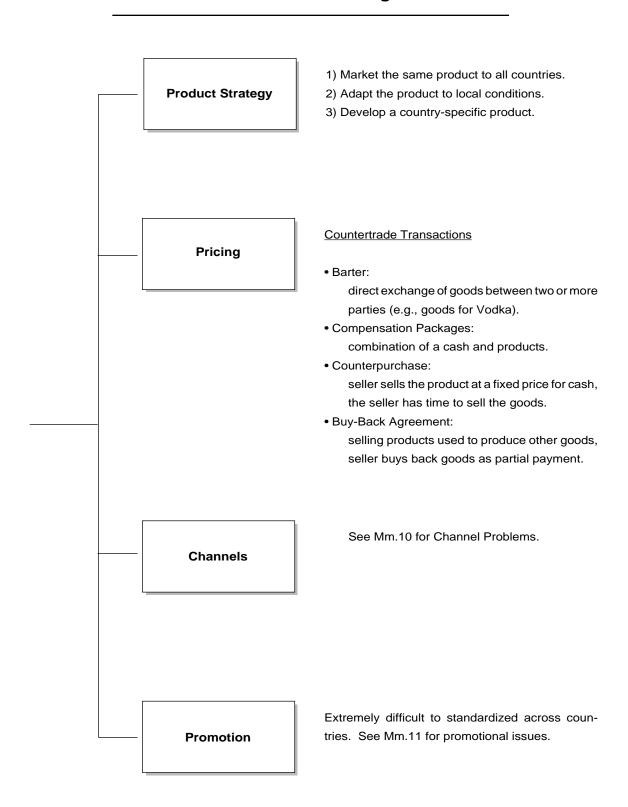
· Receives technical support services from CVJ.

(May include CVJ organization and encompass CVJ service function).

• Provides technical support services to Manufacturing Joint Venture.

• Exclusive distributor to Manufacturing Joint Venture and any CV (USA) special products in Japan. (Does not sell products outside Japan.)

### **International Marketing Mix**



### **Channel Problems**

The kind of channel needed may not be available because of the country's low level of economic development (such as lack of refrigeration) or the presence of only state-controlled middlemen.

Existing middlemen have already been appropriated by other manufacturers (particularly local ones) via various arrangements, including financial, and the exclusive use of private labels. This has often been the case with Japan.

A channel, once set up, may be difficult to change because of strong barriers to the termination of a relationship. In some countries, such as Norway, it is illegal to do so without evidence of incompetency. In some of the lesser-developed countries, terminating a powerful middlemen can result in reprisals, including being barred from the marketplace.

Control is yet another problem. An international marketer will almost always use a variety of channel systems to penetrate and service its various markets, no two of which are identical. The problems of controlling this varied set of distribution systems are so numerous that many companies use a contractual entry mode (licensing or franchising) whenever possible to facilitate control.

### **Promotion Effects**

Type of Environment	Examples of Effect
	Examples of Effect
Social	Languages, culture, religion, and life-styles vary substantially across most countries. For example, because attitudes differ regarding cleanliness, Gillette promotes its razors, deodorants, and other men's grooming products differently in the developing countries than in the United States.
Economic	Because of substantial variations in standards of living across countries as well as the distribution of wealth within countries, demand for a particular product varies, as does the way a product is perceived. For example, cameras are considered a reasonably standard item in developed countries. Not so in the developing countries, however.
Political	Some countries prevent the importation of some U.S. products under any condition. Political control also determines what products can be advertised (pharmaceuticals, alcohol, airlines, and candy are forbidden in some Arabic countries); what media can be used (no TV advertising is permitted in Scandinavia); and what can be said about products (comparative advertising is not allowed in Germany).



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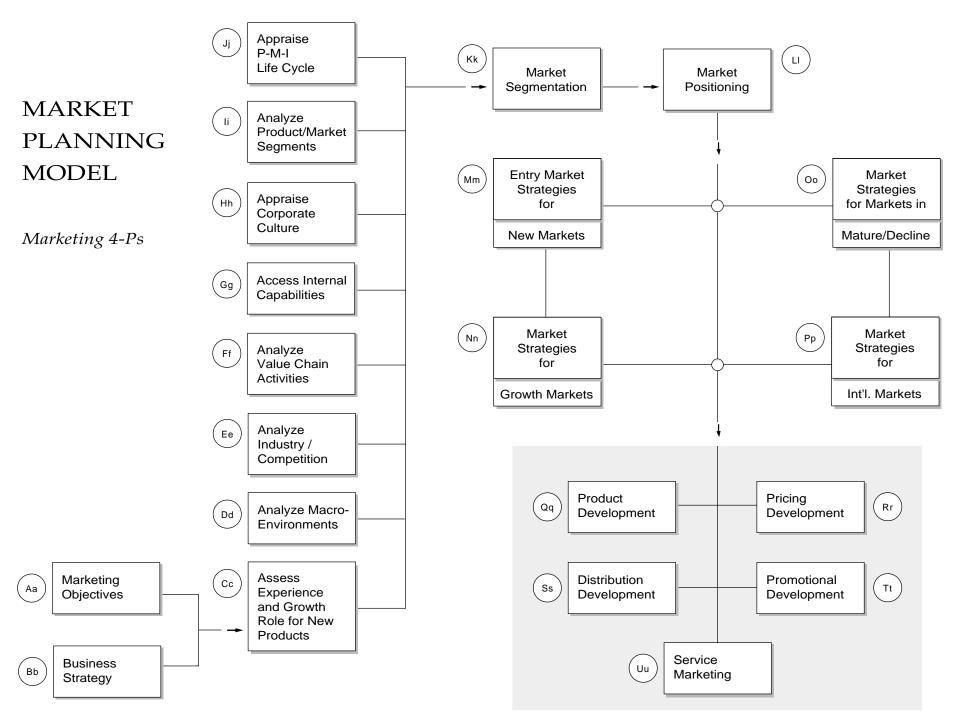
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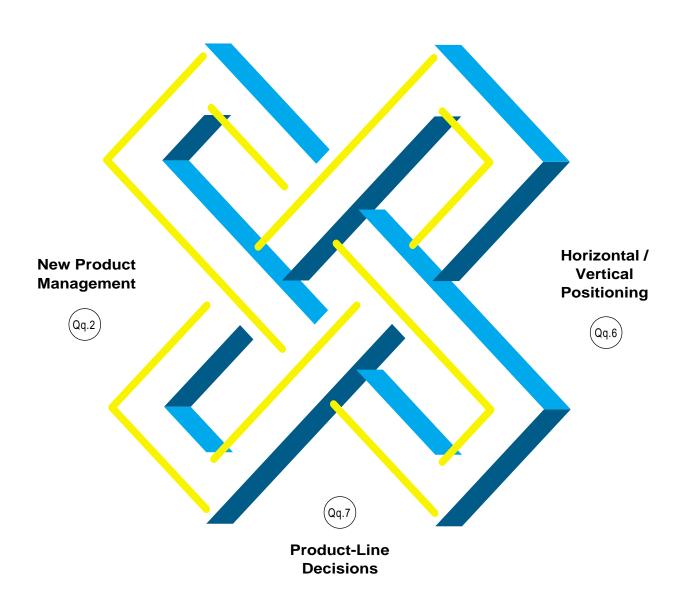
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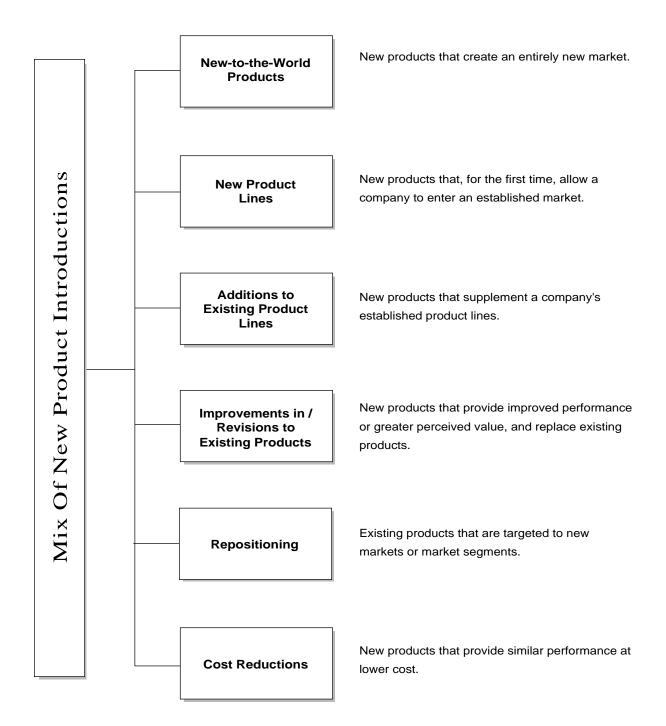
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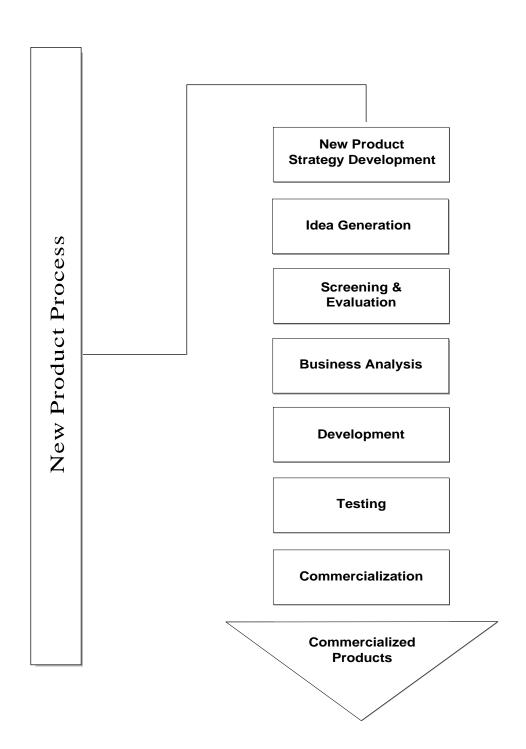




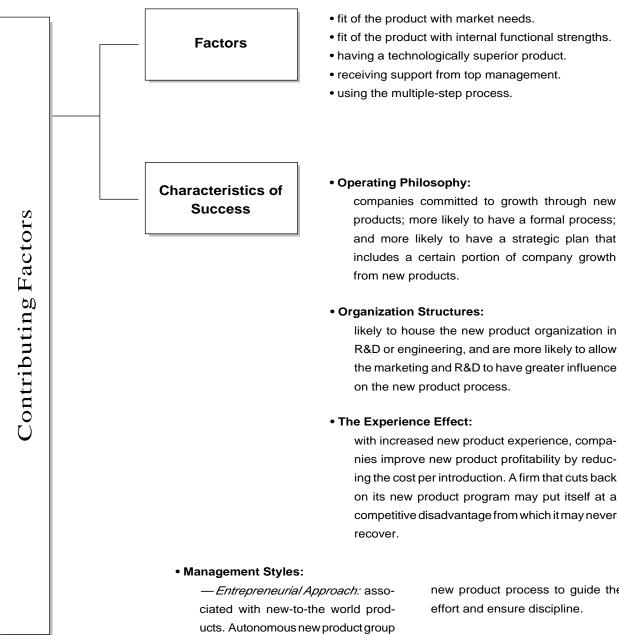
# Factors of a Successful Launch Qq.5 New Product Process Qq.4











established. Less attention to formal

business planning; more risk ad-

- Collegial Approach: entering new

businesses and adding product to

existing product lines. Strong senior management participation and sup-

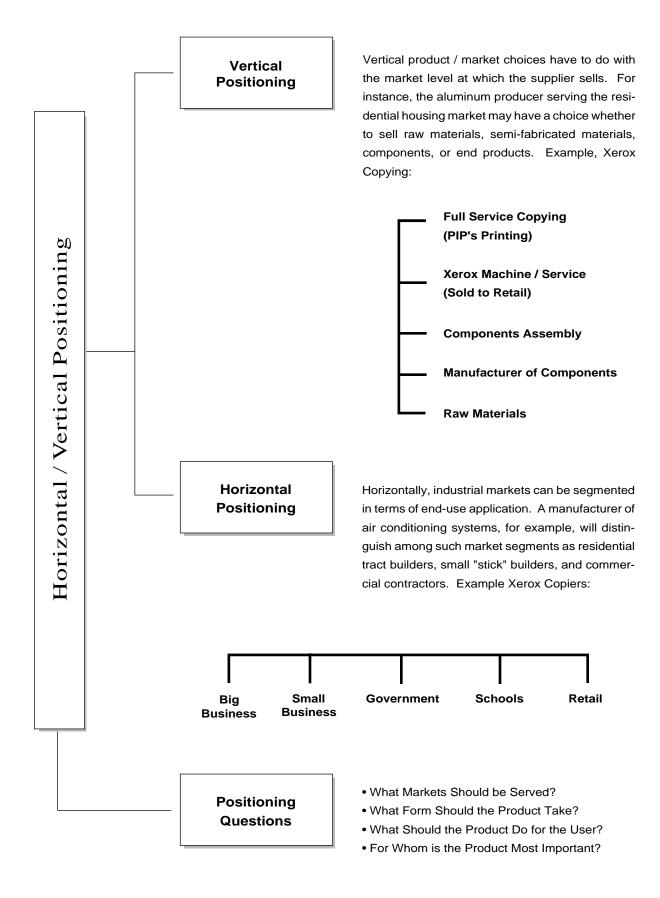
port for risk-taking, and a formal new

verse.

new product process to guide the

- Managerial Approach: developing new products that are closely linked to existing businesses. A hierarchical management structure. Stress functional leadership, have a strong business planning orientation, use a formal and often inflexible new product process, and rely heavily on formal financial criteria.







# PRODUCT STRATEGY

### A: Product-Line Mapping



- 1. Product-Line sales and profit analysis of how each item in a product line contributes to total sales and profits (or contribution).
- 2. Product-Line Market Profile (how the product line is positioned)
  - a: Product-Item Mapping: shows which competitors items are competing against product.
  - b: Identifies market segments.

### B: Product-Line Length

Objective: Determine the optimal number of items.

- Too short if additional profits can be realized by adding items.
- Too Ling if profits can be increased by dropping items.
- 1. Line Stretching Decision
  - a: Downward Stretch

### Reasons:

- Counter attack by invading the low end.
- Slow growth at the high end.
- Start at the high end to establish a quality image and then roll downward.
- Plug a market hole that would otherwise attract a new competitor.

### Risks:

- Low end item might cannibalize higher end items.
- Provoke competitors to counteract by moving into higher end.

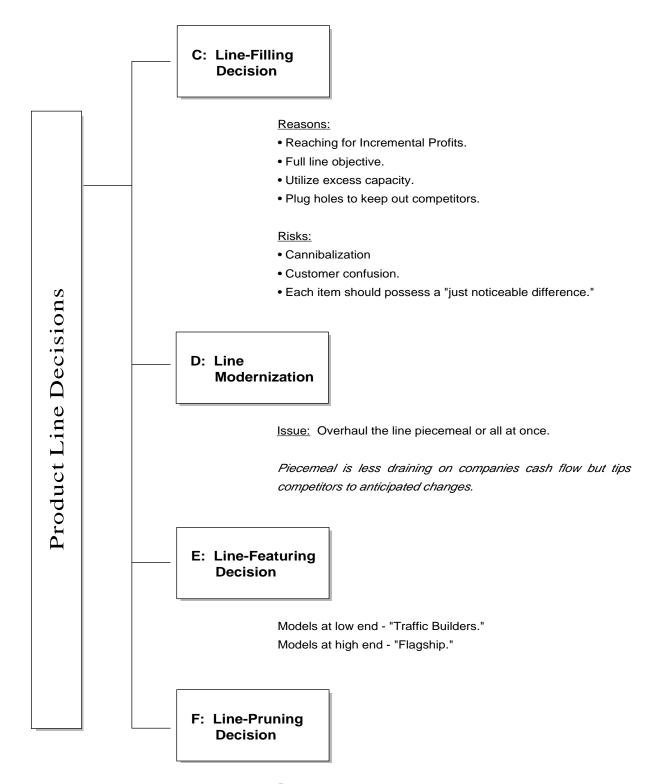
### b: Upward Stretch

### Reasons:

 Attracted by a higher growth rate, higher margins opportunity to a position as full-line manufacturers.

### Risks

- Counter attack by higher-end competitors.
- Believability of Product Quality.
- Ability of sales and distribution to service this market.



### Reasons:

- Weak items drain profitability.
- Company lacks production capacity to produce all of the items demanded in their desired quantities.



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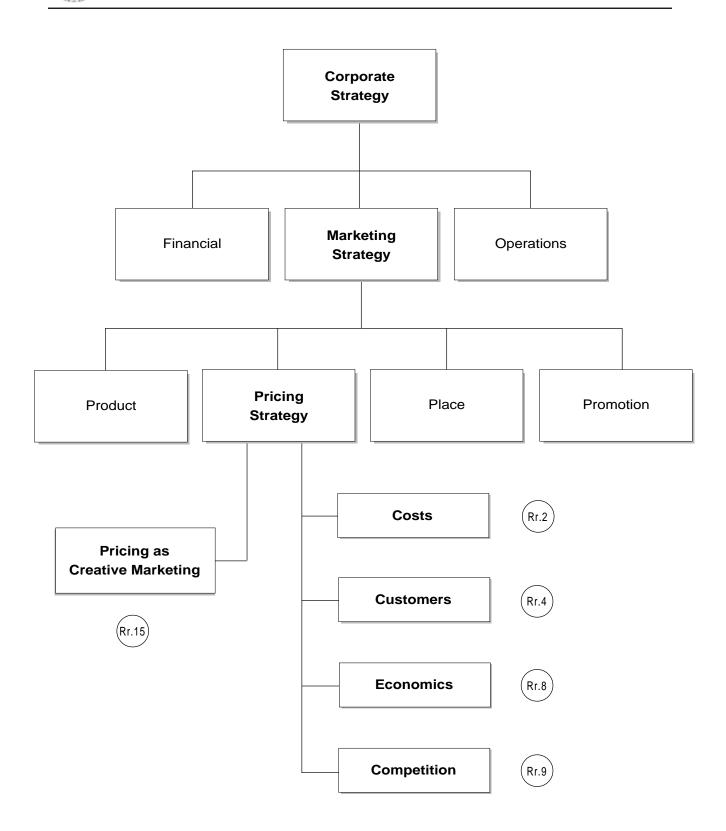
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### Costs

- Costs alone should never determine price.
- Decide what to produce and to whom to sell by comparing prices one can charge with costs that must be incurred.
- Isolating Relevant Costs:
  - future costs
  - incremental or marginal costs
  - avoidable costs
  - opportunity costs
- Break-even costs.

### **Pricing Procedures:**

- 1. Identify the incremental, avoidable costs applicable to a change in sales.
- 2. Calculate the contribution margin and the break-even sales change for the proposed price change.
- 3. Evaluate buyers' price sensitivities to determine the likelihood that they will change their purchases by more or less than the break-even sales change.
- 4. Identify competitors and evaluate likely responses.
- 5. Identify buyers for whom costs, price sensitivity, or competition are significantly different, and segment them for different pricing treatment, where possible.
- 6. Calculate the profit implications for various probable sales changes.
- 7. Accept or reject the proposed price changes by weighing the benefits of favorable outcomes against the perceived risks of unfavorable ones.

See Rr.3 for issues in product line costing.

### **Product-Line Costing**

### **Critical Cost Issues:**

Forward Looking vs. Historical Costs

 Inventory should be valued at present value: NIFO = next-in, forward-out.

Incremental vs. Constant Costs (Marginal)

- Price the ROI what it costs for the next product marginal.
- Consider only costs that change as a consequence of the pricing decision.

### Don't:

- 1) Don't equate average variable cost and marginal cost.
- 2) Don't equate depreciation and market value.
- 3) Don't assume a cost element is all variable or fixed.
- 4) Don't forget that an opportunity cost is a real cost.
- 5) Don't forget that he who cuts variable costs most/quickest, wins.

### 1: The Unique Value Effect

Buyers less sensitive to a product's price the more they value unique attributes it offers:

- Does product have unique attributes? (tangible/intangible)
- How much do buyers value such attributes.

### Methods —

- Economic Value Analysis
- · Conjoint Analysis

### 2: The Substitute Awareness Effect

More substitutes buyers aware of, more sensitive they will be to the price charged by any one seller (food served in room at a hotel).

- What alternatives do buyers have?
- Are buyers aware of their alternatives?

### Methods —

- Market definition (e.g., retailer inquiry, trade show display)
- Sales Personnel
- Survey Research (unaided recall)

### 3: The Difficult Comparison Effect

Buyers less sensitive to a product's price when comparison with competing offers difficult (e.g., candy in a show-house).

- How difficult is it for buyers to compare offers (observation)?
- Are prices of different suppliers easily compared?

### Methods —

- Observation of buyer decision-making.
- Past behavior with respect of similar products.
- Judgement based on difficulty of obtaining information and risks of product trial.



### 4: The Total Expenditure Effect

Buyers more price sensitive when expenditure larger.

• Significance of buyer expenditures on product?

### Methods —

- Secondary Data (Consumption rates from consumer panel; inputoutput analysis; engineering estimates).
- Mail or Telephone Survey

### 5: The End-Benefit Effect

Buyers more sensitive to price of a product when:

- a) they are sensitive to cost of end benefit to which it contributes.
- b) product's price accounts for larger share of total cost of end benefit.
  - What end benefit do buyers seek from product?
  - How price sensitive are buyers to cost of end benefit?
  - What portion of the benefit does price of the product account for?

### Methods —

- survey of buyers (e.g., other purchases made in conjunction with purchase of product).
- Engineering study of buyer's production process.

### 6: The Shared Cost Effect

Buyers less sensitive to the price of a product the smaller portion of price they actually pay.

- Do buyers pay the full cost of the product?
- If not, what portion of the cost do they pay?

### Methods —

- Surveys of corporate reimbursement policies.
- Analyses of insurance coverages.
- Treatments of expenditures for tax purposes.



### 7: The Sunk Investment Effect

Buyers less sensitive to the price of a product the greater the sunk investment made in anticipation of its continued use (ex. new car generally gets higher-priced gas).

- Must buyers of the product make complementary expenditures in anticipation of continued use?
- For how long are buyers "locked in" by these expenditures?

Methods —

• Questioning of buyers and observation.

### 8: The Inventory Effect

Buyers more price sensitive i short run when they can hold inventories of a product and believe it current price is temporarily lower or higher (canned tomatoes vs. fresh tomatoes).

- Do buyers hold inventories of the product?
- Do they expect current price to be temporary?

Methods -

- Inference from form of price announcement
- Inference from informal research and past behavior



### 9: The Price-Quality Effect

Buyers less sensitive to a product's price to extent the price signals higher quality.

- Is a prestige image an important attribute of the product?
- Is the product enhanced in value when its price excludes some customers?
- Is the product of unknown quality and are there few reliable cues for gauging quality before purchase? If so, how great would loss to buyers be from low quality relative to the price of the product?

### Methods —

- Judgement based on comparison with similar products
- Experimental research value of price as quality cue.
- Treatments of expenditures for tax purposes.

### 10: The Conceptual Argument

Buyers quality consciousness drives the phenomenon of price premiums.

- Experience Products: the more quality conscious, the greater will be the price.
- Search Products: the more quality conscious, the more likely they
  are to search and less likely to be cheated, hence the less
  likely they will pay a premium.

### 11: Findings from Academic Research:

Price-perceived quality effects are similar across different price levels.

The larger the change in prices, the more significant the change in quality perceptions.

Price-perceived quality perceptions are stronger "within" individuals, than "between" individuals; e.g., consumers exposed to multiple prices form stronger price-quality perceptions than those exposed to single prices.

When other information (such as brand name) is present, the price-perceived quality effect is enhanced, not reduced.

### 12: Morals of the Story:

Segregate gains — multiple presents; multiple concessions.

Integrate losses — credit card usage; extras in the purchase of cars (e.g., stereos).

Cancel losses against larger gains (integrate — salary deductions).

Segregate "silver linings" (small gain/loss); integrate otherwise and create a small loss — rebates.

In general, present options as discounts (more valuable) than premiums (e.g., credit card usage).

### 13: Preliminary Implications

All marketplace transactions involve exchanges — something (money) is lost and something else ( a product or service) is gained.

Consumers are typically risk averse with respect to gains, and are risk taker with respect to losses.

Opportunity costs (reductions in gains) are weighted differently (less) than out-of-pocket costs (which are outright losses).

If therefore becomes the aim of the marketer to frame losses as reductions in gains, not outright losses. This results in a more satisfied customer.

### **Economics**

### **Extrinsic Value:**

Based on brand name, price, and market perception; e.g., Department 56 Dickens series. Psychological Impact.

### **Intrinsic Value:**

The product's specification; e.g., Department 56 Dinkins series and its clay materials. Physical performance.

### **Cross Elasticity of Demand:**

• Complement Products

What happens to one Product (A) if you change price of Product (B); e.g., film and cameras.

• Competitor Products

One Product (X) goes up/down by change of another product; e.g., chicken and hamburger.

### **Familiarity of Products:**

 The more information the user has, the price and perception of quality drop. Price and perception of quality curve moves up with great information where price is a good indicator of quality.

### **Fungibility of Money:**

• The value to gain \$25,000 is less than the value with a loss of \$25,000. Losses are more painful than gains of equal magnitude.



### **Loss Leaders:**

Price below VC because:

- It is difficult to remember multiple prices
- Different segments are differentially price sensitive

### Therefore, if:

- A product is frequently purchased
- By a price sensitive segment

It is a candidate for a loss leader, as the segment will "anchor" on that price to assess the general price level. Ex: Grocery stores — white bread, peanut butter

### Flankers:

• Low or high priced brand that fights a competitors offering.

Ex: Gulftane vs. independent stations.

### **Product Line Prices and Quality Perceptions:**

Highest priced model is normally used to assess quality — but may be considered ostentatious; often need "high priced loss leaders" to create the dominant brand effect.

Ex: Branded Items -> Private Label -> Generics.

### **Bundling vs. Unbundling:**

- Bundling: Combine the products as one product; e.g., the Apple Computer with system, interface, keyboard, etc.
- Unbundling: Unbundled products into several components; e.g., the Apple Computer sold individually as a system, hardware, etc.

### Similar vs. Dissimilar Products:

- Similar Products: introduce medium-priced. High-price users will move to medium price but low-price users stay because of price sensitivity.
- Dissimilar Products: will only steal from dissimilar products of the same price.

### **The Experience Curve:**

- Direct unit costs of manufacturing and marketing decline by a constant amount, in constant dollars, every time cumulative volume doubles.
- Prices should normally follow a similar pattern.
- Should be used with product portfolio analysis.
- Sources of Experience Curve Effect:
  - Learning by Doing:

increase efficiency, discover better ways or improve methods, exercise of ingenuity, skill and repetitive activities.

— Technological Improvements:

product standardization and design, changes in resource mix, new production processes.

- Economies of Scale:

increased efficiency due to size, spreading fixed costs over greater numbers of units.



### **Pricing with the Experience Curve**

### I: Costs and Experience:

- a: Price and cost data show that costs decline by some predictable amount each time accumulated experience is doubled.
- b: The decline in costs is consistently 20% to 30% each time accumulated production is doubled.
- c: These reductions in costs, as volume increases, are not automatic:
  - Management must seek ways to force down costs as volume expands.
  - Production costs are most likely to go down under this pressure, but all cost elements should be subject to this management pressure.
  - Competition will produce the survivors who realize this cost reduction potential.
- d: The growth rate of a product is an important factor. If demand for a product is not growing, then the rate of cost decline per year slows down and approaches zero.
- e: When accumulated units of a product are increasing annually at a constant percentage rate, then each year of product experience produces about the same percentage effect on cost.



### **Pricing with the Experience Curve**

### II: Prices and Experience:

- a: Available data show, in general, that prices tend to decline by some given amount each time accumulated experience is doubled.
- b: Where prices have paralleled costs over time, the price experience slope is a straight line (characteristic of very competitive and rapid growing, technological industries).
- c: When prices do not decline as fast as cost initially, then a kink will appear:
  - Phase A: costs exceed prices
  - Phase B: market leader holds a price umbrella
  - Phase C: shake-out period
  - Phase D: stability emerges.

### **III: Guidelines for Application:**

- a: Cost-volume analysis is a powerful conceptual and analytical tool.
- b: The most obvious application of experience curves is to the manufacturer.
- c: These costs include the customer's perception of value vs. cost.

# Competition

#### **Pricing with the Experience Curve**

# IV: Limitations of the Experience Effect:

- a: Total costs decline from effects of experience on cost elements that combine to make up the product.
  - slopes of experience curve for different cost elements may be different.
  - only some costs may be influenced by management.
  - causes of cost experience must be identified.
  - some experience can be shared because several products use common resource.
- b: Change in design or manufacturing of product can change experience effects.
- c: Experience can be purchased.
- d: Experience may be overrated.

# **Creative Pricing in Marketing**

Understanding Distinguishing  $\left( Rr.16 \right)$ **Buyers'** (Rr.17) Segments for **Pricing** Motivation **Product Design Monitoring Use** for Effective (Rr.18) (Rr.19 Creatively **Pricing** 

# **Understanding Buyers' Motivation**

# 1: The Ford Mustang:

With buyer-oriented pricing, the firm anticipates price, even before a product's development, by simply evaluating proposed product benefits.

The Mustang was not designed to be a good sports car, with all the preconceptions of what a sports car "should" be, and then priced to cover costs and a target return. Ford discovered through research that a market segment existed which valued "sportiness" in a car, but which was unwilling to pay the price fora "sports car."

#### 2: Prices are Tentative:

Prices are only tentative and, after each step in the development process, should be reevaluated based on consumer interviews, surveys, and changes in the market. These tentative prices are an important guide to product development since they can mark potential products as candidates for rejection or redesign.

#### 3: Airline Pricing:

The most important advantage of buyer-oriented pricing is the early detection of differences in the way buyers value the same product benefits.

Planes keep flying because the companies recognize differences among buyers — in the benefits important to them and in the value they place on those benefits — enabling airlines to offer slightly differentiated products at significantly different prices.

# **Distinguishing Segments for Pricing**

#### 1: Distinguishing Segments:

The challenge of buyer-oriented pricing is not just to identify different consumer segments. The next step is to design a marketing strategy that effectively distinguishes them for pricing.

Airlines successfully distinguish segments simply by requiring a long lead time to reserve a low price fare. Vacationers are price sensitive. Business travelers are much less price sensitive but require flexibility.

Separation generally requires creative efforts in product design or distribution, which explains why development of a pricing strategy should begin early in the product development process. First study buyers to determine what product benefits they seek and what value they place on those benefits: e.g., making many copies per original and for making few copies per original.

The buyer-oriented pricer would recognize that buyers who make many copies per original have very good alternatives to photocopying. They could use offset presses or duplicators to get high quality copies at a reasonable cost. But buyers who make few copies per original have no good alternatives. Offsetting and duplicating are prohibitively costly for a few copies, while carbon paper produces copies of distinctly lower quality. Thus, buyers who make few photocopiers per original will value them much more highly than will buyers who make many copies.

Also holds true for buyers who make many copies prefer copying technology that collates, duplicates, etc. They place a high value on such items.

# **Monitoring Use Creatively**

# **Tying Arrangements:**

Though questioned by the courts, opportunities to segment a market through tying arrangements still exist. In the opinion of the Supreme Court, the "illegality in tying arrangements is the wielding of monopolistic leverage; a seller exploits his dominant position in one market to expand his empire into the next." Must be shown to have a monopolistic position in the tying good which excludes substantial competition in the tied good.

No court has ever considered prohibiting theaters from requiring that popcorn be purchased from the in-house concession, or considered prohibiting razor manufacturers from creating shaving technologies that tie blades to razors.

The courts have nevertheless severely limited tying arrangements in precisely the cases where they were most dramatically effective.

# **Product Design for Effective Pricing**

#### 1: Distinguishing Segments:

Pricing tactics call for creative insight based on differences in buyers, not differences in technologies or product costs. Moreover, they required that those differences be identified early in the product development process. Often the product design itself is the mechanism for effective buyer-oriented pricing, again requiring formulation of a pricing strategy even before designing the product.

Orchestral programming includes for a program segments of music that appeals to patrons like "old favorites;" a smaller but highly devoted group of patrons prefers hearing pieces which are more avant garde. By bundling features that appeal to different tastes, they are actually segmenting their market for pricing. Thoughtfully combined programs allow symphonies to charge each listener a high price for the music he values most, without driving from the market for that music those patrons with different tastes.

This same practice is used in numerous instances even for pricing other than entertainment and sporting events. Newspaper publishers often sell advertising only as a package for both their morning and evening papers. And radio stations sometimes sell advertising for one program only in combination with another.

The key to effective pricing is the same one that opens doors to efficacy in other marketing functions: a creative awareness of who buyers are, why they buy, and how they make their purchase decisions. The recognition that buyers differ in these dimensions is as important for effective pricing as it is for effective promotion, distribution, or product development.



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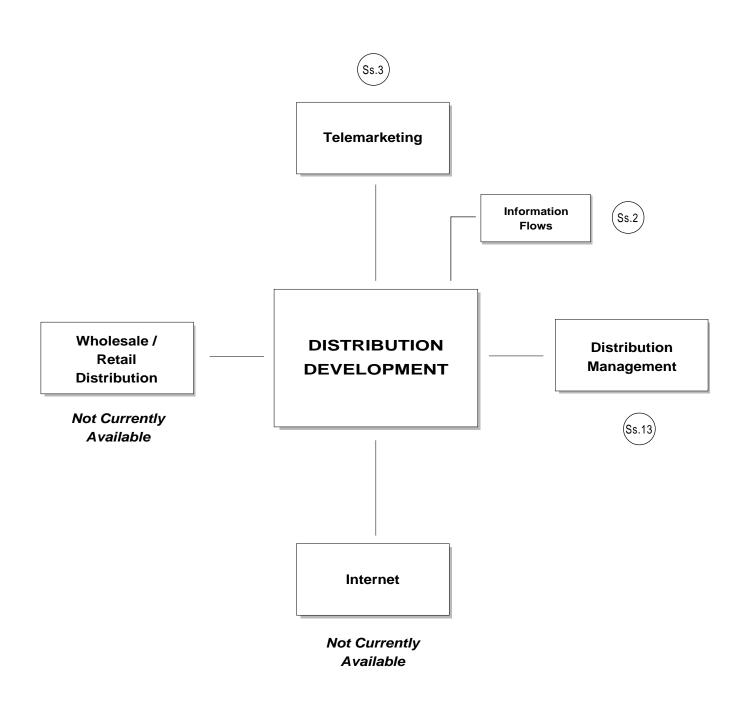
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# **DISTRIBUTION STRATEGY**



# Flows in a Distribution Channel

# Product Flows Suppliers → Shippers → Manufacturer → Dealer → Buyers

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Title Flows

Suppliers → Shippers → Manufacturer → Dealer → Buyers
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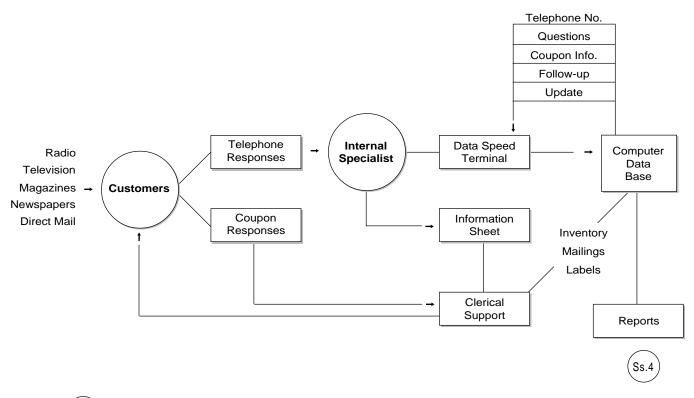
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Payment Flows

Suppliers → Banks → Manufacturer → Banks → Dealers → Banks → Buyers
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Information Flows

Ad Agency & Media ←→ Manufacturer ←→ Dealers ←→ Buyers
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# The Processing System in a Telemarketing Center (TMC)



- (Ss.5) Sales Leads Qualification Flow
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### **Advertising Report**

- Inquiries per Advertisement
- Profiles of Respondents
- Sales Conversion Rates per Advertisement

# **Market Management Report**

- Segment Analyses
- Marginal Account Identification

#### **Marketing Research Report**

- "Demographic" Data
- Image and Attitude Studies
- Forecasting Data

#### **Physical Distribution Report**

- Consumers' Orders
- Distributors' Orders
- Tracing and Dispatching
- Shipment Requirements
- Inventory Requirement
- Product Return Needs
- Customer Service Needs

#### **Product Management Report**

- Sales per Product
- Questions and Complaints
- Consumer Profiles

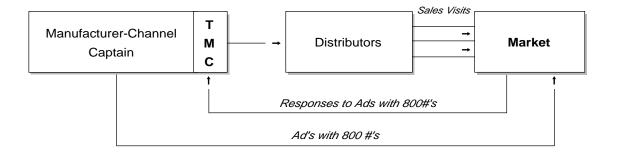
# **Sales Management Report**

- Lead Qualification
- Marginal Account Status

# **Telemarketing Center Report**

Operations

#### **Sale Leads Qualification**

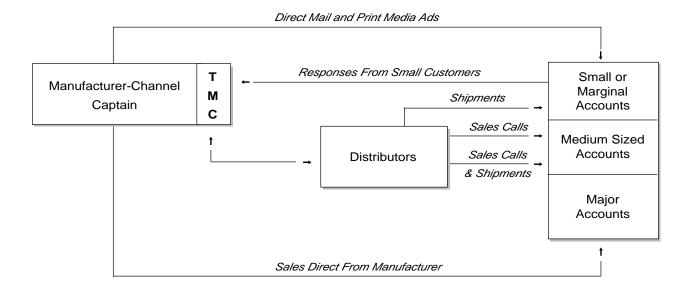


#### **Channel Captain Benefits:**

- 1. Serves as on measure of the distributor's and manufacturer's success in capitalizing on sales opportunities in their respective territories.
- 2. It provides methods for identifying distributors with sales personnel who need more training or upgrading.
- 3. It enhances the strength of distributors by making them more effective which, in turn, rebounds to the benefit of the channel captain.

- 1. The sales force's productivity is increased because they will be calling on persons or businesses that are more likely to make a purchase.
- 2. It links inventories with quantity users by providing real time demand and supply information.

# **Selling to Marginal Accounts**

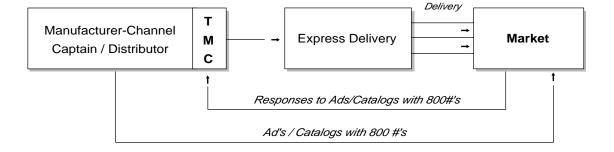


# **Channel Captain Benefits:**

- 1. That it allows service to a market which would otherwise be a source of loss rather than profit.
- 2. It permits greater economies of scale resulting from the sale of products to an expanded market.
- 3. It provides greater cooperation from distributors selling to customers who otherwise might have to be abandoned.

- 1. They receive credit fro business from which minimal selling costs were incurred.
- 2. It allows distributors to benefit from small accounts which may grow into medium sized account that will be loyal to the supplier.

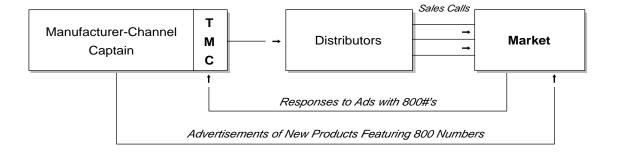
# **Direct Sales to Market**



#### **Channel Captain Benefits:**

- 1. Bypasses middle-players. Margins reserved for channel captain.
- 2. Allows for access to market without retail outlets.
- 3. Channel operational with items that require low-involvement purchase.
- 4. Express Mail Delivery to market overnight.

#### **New Product Information**

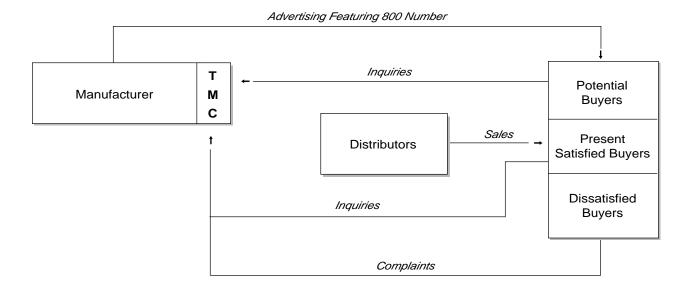


#### **Channel Captain Benefits:**

- 1. It gives the channel captain greater control over important events occurring in the channel.
- 2. It allows the manufacturer to be in contact with and thus gain information about those customers who will be innovators and leaders and whose reactions to the new product will be important.
- 3. It provides an opportunity to check on the accuracy of forecasts from market research.

- 1. It permits distributors to receive information in a more timely, uniform, and consistent manner compared to receiving information via individual sales people.
- 2. It furnishes information about customers who have been responding to the new product advertising in the distributor's area.

# **Customer Inquire and Complaint**



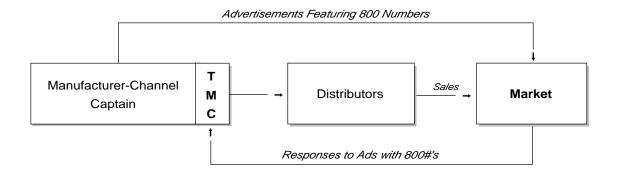
#### **Channel Captain Benefits:**

- 1. It assures higher quality answers being provided to customers compared to the answers that distributor's sales people might provide.
- 2. It provides objective determinants of which distributors' territories are yielding the most calls for service and/or complaints.
- 3. It may allow the manufacturer to reduce the amount of money spent to train distributors' sales people to handle questions and complaints.

- 1. It allows distributors to use their personnel to sell rather than handle inquires.
- It provides cost savings to distributors by reducing flows of paper work, lost inquiries, and possible ill-will of customers who can't get their questions answered.



# **Measurement of Advertising Effectiveness**

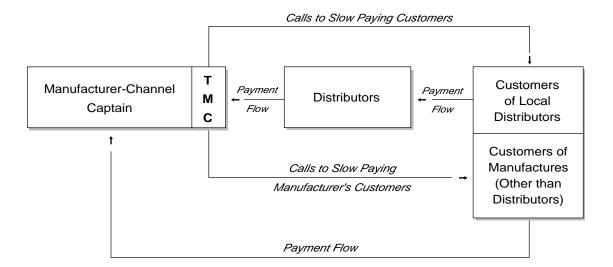


#### **Channel Captain Benefits:**

- 1. More precise information on which media should be used for advertising.
- 2. Greater control over the relationship between the advertising agency and channel captain, because of ability to measure advertising effectiveness.
- 3. Mor credibility achieved among the members of the distribution network when the channel captain shows distributors how the inquiries from their territories have resulted in greater sales volume.

- 1. It provides economical source of high quality leads for sales persons.
- 2. With higher quality sales leads personnel can be used more efficiently and effectively.
- 3. With this information, channel support can be planned and provided more effectively.

# **Credit and Collection Activities**

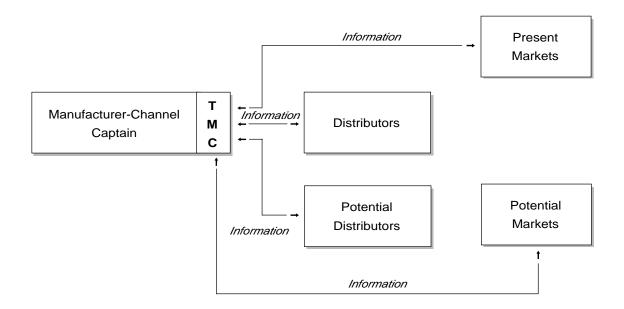


#### **Channel Captain Benefits:**

- 1. It accelerates money flows at a much greater rate than the use of mail.
- 2. It enhances cooperation between distributors and the channel captain as a result of improved profits for all channel participants.

- 1. It reduces the costs of collection.
- 2. It improves profits due to better management of capital.

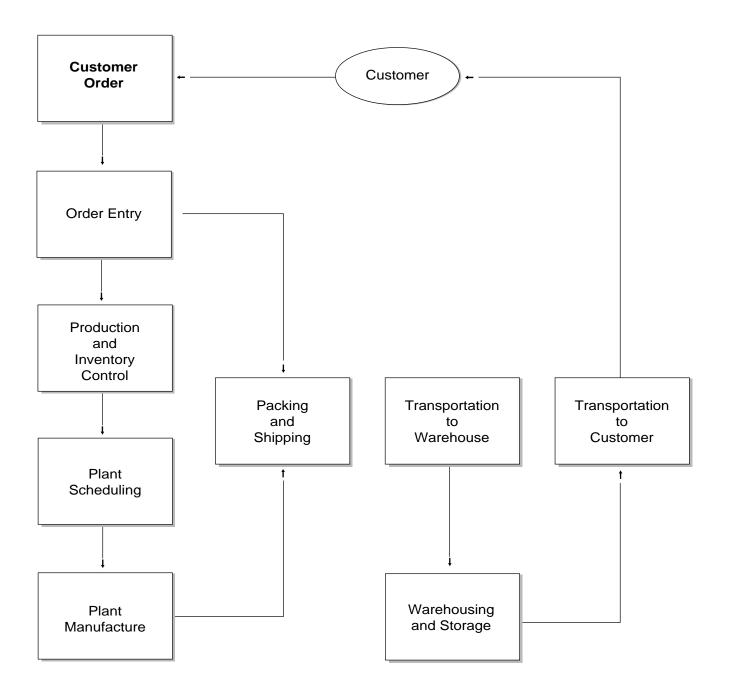
# **Marketing and Product Research**



#### **Channel Captain Benefits:**

- 1. It provides a cost-effective way of gathering data from both present and potential distributors and markets.
- 2. It affords the channel captain greater control of research activity by eliminating the necessity for contracting with outside agencies for research.

# **Simplified Materials and Paper Flow in Physical Distribution**



Case Examples of Maldistribution

(Ss.14)

Building A System that Works



Balancing of Conflicting Objectives



Turning Industrial Distributors into Partners





#### A Cosmetic Company's Problem:

This company chose to develop a computer model to establish the optimum system. This approach uses a linear programming model to determine the optimum number and location of warehouses. Such a model balances the costs of transportation, warehousing, and inventory levels to establish the appropriate cost/service mix. This approach led to adding five warehouses to their current two-warehouse system would reduce LTL (less than truckload lot) freight, increase customer service, and increase in service with lower overall costs.

System failed. While freight costs from warehouse to customer were reduced, these savings were offset by the need for more air freight and other premium transportation. Time for delivery from warehouse to customer decreased, this improvement of service, however, was offset by a marked increase in stockouts and back orders.

In the cosmetics company, the more complex distribution network required support from a common sales forecasting system in order to be fully effective. Once this was done, freight charges were reduced by \$50,000 per year, distribution inventories were reduced by 40%, and customer service was substantially improved.

#### A Food Company's Problem

To speed up the flow of information, teleprocessing equipment can be used to get customer orders in from the branch warehouses, and on-line real time inventory systems can be installed to keep track of inventory balances. A large food manufacturer, unhappy with the system of 35 field warehouses which were supplied from six manufacturing plants. Many of this company's products had highly seasonal demand patterns, and delivery problems were acute in the peak selling season. The company revised its forecasting methods and installed a telecommunications system which provided on-line inventory balances in each warehouses.

The results were disappointing. A large number of orders had to be filled with product shipped from alternate warehouses and, while the telecommunications system enabled the company to fill more orders, freight costs increased significantly.

At the food company, the seasonal sales demand required a mechanism to build inventories in anticipation of demand. Once this step was accomplished, service increased to a competitive 96%, and freight costs fell to the original levels. The telecommunications network originally installed proved expensive and was discontinued.

#### A Building Materials Company's Problem:

Analysis indicated that a modern statistical inventory control system using safety stocks based on forecast error would improve service and reduce shipping and related costs. The results were disturbing. Although the warehouse inventory control system responded rapidly to variations in demand, raising and lowering safety stocks and reorder points from month to month, the plants were unable to respond effectively. As a result, a large number of stockouts occurred at the plants, and shipments could no longer be made to the warehouses in full truckload quantities. Freight costs increased dramatically. A later attempt to hold down freight costs by holding up orders until a full truck resulted in decreased customer service.

Artificially induced erratic demand at the building materials plant largely offset the advantages of the statistical inventory control system in distribution. Once this demand was dampened down in view of the factories' ability to respond, service gradually improved and freight savings of \$400,000 per year were achieved.



# **Balancing of Conflicting Objectives**

Distribution Objectives	Customer Service
Increase Customer Service	
Reduce Distribution Inventories	•
Reduce Distribution Costs	•
Manufacturing Objectives Reduce Manufacturing Inventories	•
Reduce Manufacturing Costs	

Impact of Objectives on Distribution		
Customer Service	Inventories	Costs
•	•	•
•		•
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•		

Impact of Objectives on Manufacturing		
Inventories	Costs	
•		
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**DESIRED RESULTS** 





# Visible Costs

include those operating costs associated with warehousing, transportation, and handling. Also include other indirect costs associated with inventory management, property taxes, and inventory obsolescence and spoilage.

#### Hidden Costs

consist principally of lost profit opportunities due to failure to ship the product on time, cancelled orders, and customer dissatisfaction.



#### Building a System that Works —

# In Analyzing a Distribution Problem, Distribution is Closely Tied to Other Areas of the Company:

Distribution is closely related to marketing, manufacturing, and finance. For example, the marketing forecast and the error in that forecast are key determinants of the amount of inventory that must be carried in the warehouses to achieve a given level of customer service.

# Beware of Simplistic Solutions Since the Interrelationships Between Distribution and Other Functions Are Complex and Multi-leveled:

A single problem may surface in different guises in different functional areas. Thus a customer service problem in sales may be the result of an inventory problem in distribution, which may, in turn, be the consequence of a scheduling problem in manufacturing.

## Adopt Specialized Techniques with an Appreciation of Their Limitations:

Selection of an approach because it is popular or failure to recognize its inherent limitations frequently leads to trouble.

# Assure that the Interrelationships Recognized in the Analysis are Carried Over into the System Design:

In solving a distribution problem, it is frequently necessary to make significant changes in company operations. Unless the impacts of these changes on other company operations are carefully evaluated and prepared for, they can negate the positive impact of the overall program.

# <u>Understanding Distributor Needs</u> —

#### **Monitor Distributors:**

Get out into the field periodically and listen carefully to what they have to say.

#### Learn from Company-wide Experiences:

Steering Committee to discuss common distribution problems, share market information on trends affecting the function, and ponder changing distributor requirements.

#### Conduct Market Research Studies:

Rate performance dimensions and recommend program improvements.

#### Establish a Distributor Council:

Discuss proposed policy changes and new programs, distributor problems and concerns, the competition, and other pressing issues.

#### **Building Working Partnerships** —

#### **Developing Sound Communication:**

Contacts between the manufacturer's outside salesperson and the distributor's top officers, purchasing managers, and salespeople should be nurtured.

#### Signaling Commitment:

Manufacturers must demonstrate that they are committed to distributors for the long term; i.e., refer all customer inquiries and requests to them; limit the number of distributors per trading area, etc.

#### Passing the Critical Incident Test:

Manufacturer must respond decisively and meet this critical need so as to reinforce the importance and quality of the partnership in the distributor's mind.





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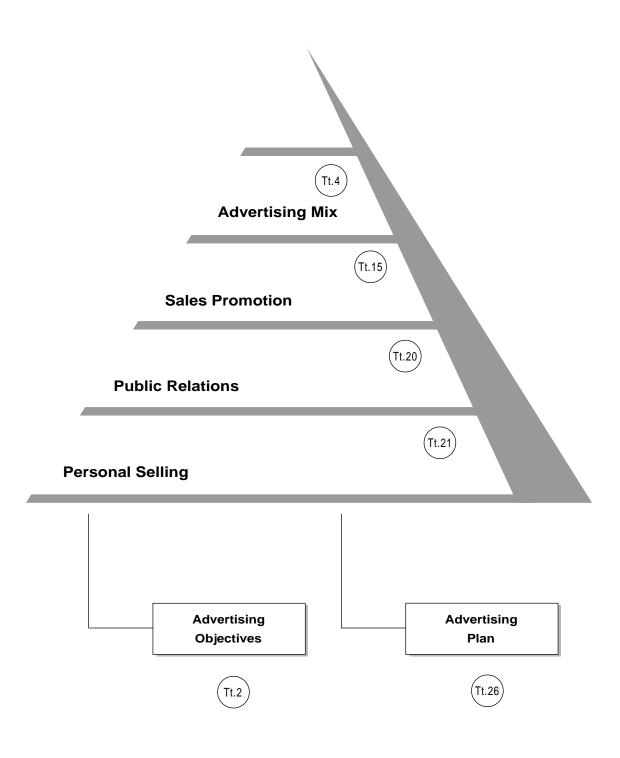
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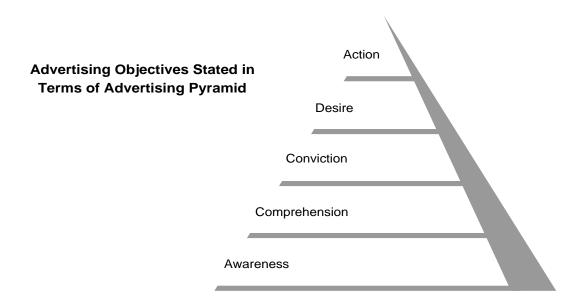
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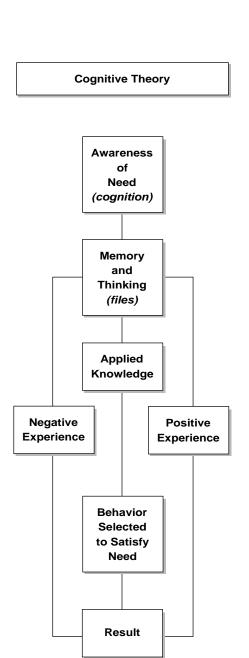


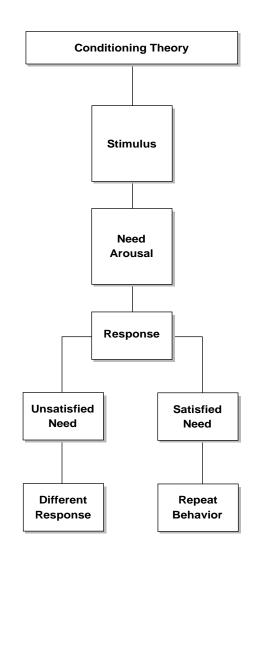


#### **Checklist for Developing the Advertising Objectives:**

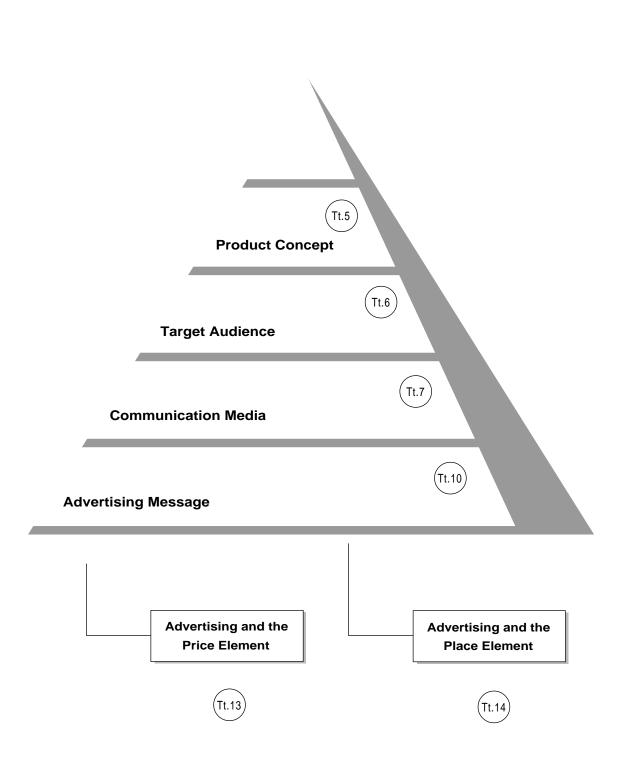
- Does the advertising aim at closing an immediate sale?
- Does the advertising aim at near-term sales by moving the prospect, step-by-step closer to the sale (so that when confronted with buying situation the customer will ask for, reach for, or accept the advertised brand)?
- Does the advertising aim at building a "lone-range consumer franchise"?
- How can the advertising contribute toward increased sales?
- Does the advertising aim at some specific step that leads to a sale?
- How important are "supplementary benefits" of end-user advertising?
- Is it a task of advertising to impart information needed to consummate sales and build customer satisfaction?
- To what extent does the advertising aim at building confidence and goodwill for the corporation among various groups?
- Specifically, what kind of images does the company wish to build?





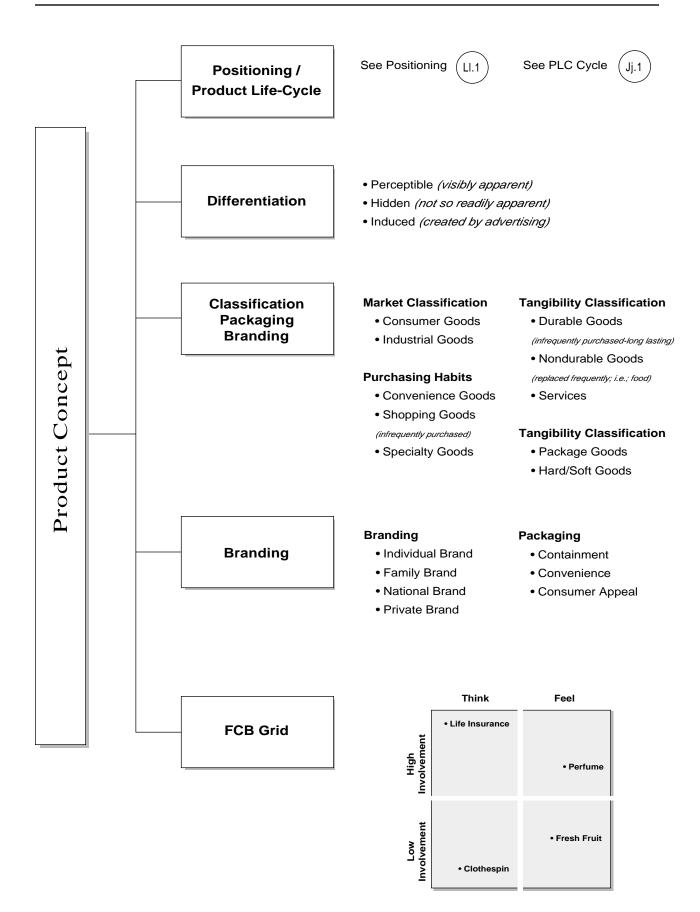


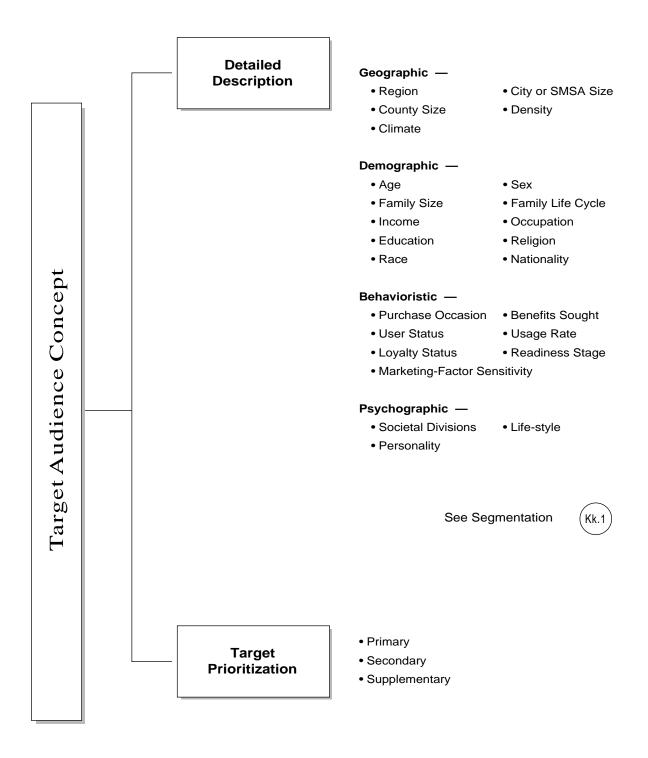
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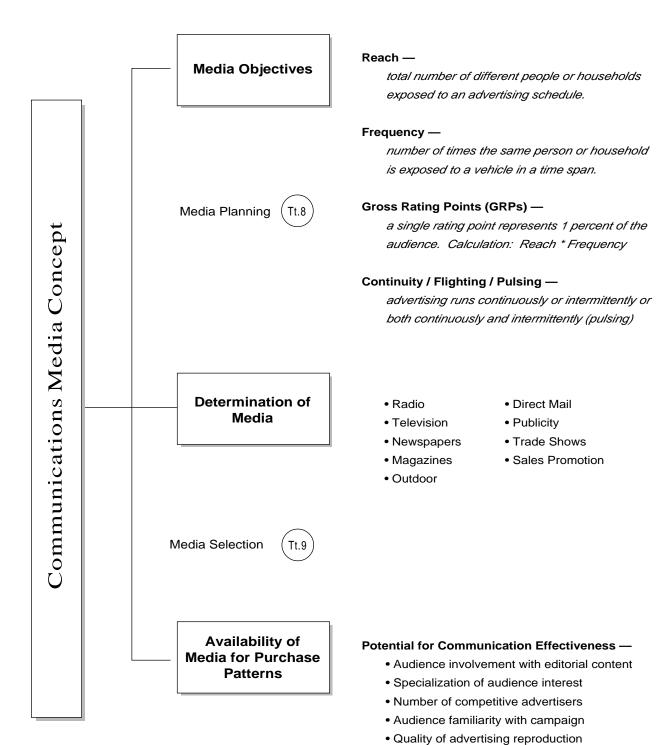




# PROMOTIONAL STRATEGY







# Cost Considerations —

- Cost per Thousand (\$5,000 / (300,000/1000))
- Cost Efficiency (hitting target audience)

• Timeliness of advertising exposure

# **Media Planning**

The Situation Analysis The Marketing Plan The Advertising Plan

#### **Setting Media Objectives**

Purpose: To translate marketing objectives and strategies into goals that media can accomplish.

#### **Determining Media Strategy**

Purpose: To translate media goals into general guidelines that will control the planner's selection and use of media. The best strategy alternatives should be selected.

#### **Selecting Broad Media Classes**

Purpose: To determine which broad class of media best fulfills the criteria. Involves comparison and selection of broad media classes such as newspapers, magazines, radio, television, and others. The analysis is called intermedia comparisons. Audience size is one of the major factors used in comparing the various media.

#### **Selecting Media Within Classes**

Purpose: To compare and select the best media within broad classes, again using predetermined criteria. Involves making decisions about the following:

- 1. If magazines were recommended, then which magazines?
- 2. If television was recommended, then
  - a. Broadcast or cable television?
  - b. Network or spot television?
  - c. If network, which programs?
  - d. If spot, which markets?
- 3. If radio or newspapers were recommended, then
  - a. Which markets shall be used?
  - b. What criteria shall buyers use in making purchases of local media?

 Media — Broadcast
 Media — Print
 Media — Other Media

 What kind of sponsorship
 Number of ads to appear
 Billboards

 What levels of reach and frequency
 Placement of ads

 Special treatment
 Direct mail or other media

 Scheduling
 Desired reach or frequency

 Placement of spots

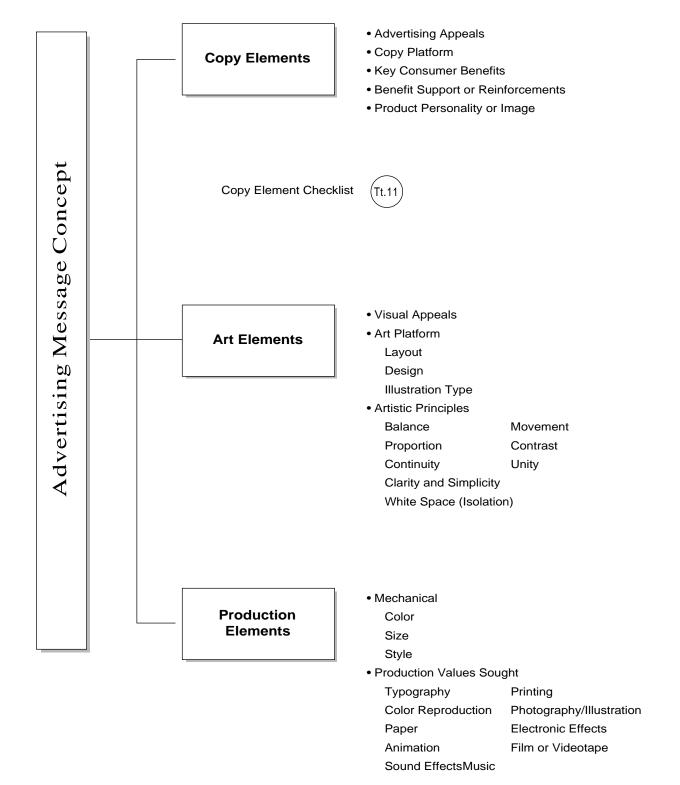


# PROMOTIONAL STRATEGY

# **Media Selection**

	Creative Disadvantages	Creative Advantages
Newspapers	Loss of fidelity, especially in reproduction of halftone illustrations. Difficulty in controlling ad position on page.	Almost any ad size available. Impact of black against white one of the most powerful color combinations. Sense of immediacy. Quick response; easy accountability. Local emphasis. Changes possible at short notice.
Magazines	Size not as large as those of newspapers or posters. Long closing dates, limited flexibility. Lack of immediacy. Tendency to cluster ads. Possible difficulties in securing favorable position in an issue.	High-quality reproduction. Prestige factor. Accurate demographic information available. Graphic opportunities (use of white space, benday screen, reverse type). Color.
Television	No time to convey a lot of information. Air clutter. Intrusiveness. Capricious station censorship.	Combination of sight and sound. Movement. A single message at a time. Viewer's empathy. Opportunity to demonstrate the product. Believability.
Radio	Lack of visual excitement. Wavering attention span (many listeners tune out commercials). Inadequate data on listening habits. Fleeting nature of message.	Opportunity to explore sound. Favorable to humor. Intimacy. Loyal following (the average person listens regularly to only about two stations). Ability to change message quickly.
Direct Mail	Damper of state, federal, and postal regulations on creative experimentation. Censorship often unpredictable. Formula thinking encouraged by "proven" direct-mail track records.	Graphic and production flexibility, such as use of three-dimensional effect. Measurable. As scientific as any other form of advertising. Highly personal.
Posters	Essentially a one-line medium with only a limited opportunity to expand on the advertising message. Inadequate audience research, especially in transit advertising.	Graphic opportunities. Color. Large size. High-fidelity reproduction. Simple, direct approach. Possibility of an entirely visual message.
Point of Sale	Difficulty in pinpointing audience. Failure of retailers to make proper use of material submitted to them.	Opportunities for three-dimensional effects, movement, sound, and new production techniques.







# **Copy Element**

#### Identity —

- Trade Name.
- Trademark
- Product Symbol
- Other copyrighted or patented information.

#### Packaging —

- Unit size or Sizes Offered
- · Package Shape.
- Package Design:

Styling.

Color.

Special Protection

A Carrier

• Package Label.

#### Research —

• What research available on product?

#### Performance —

- What does it do?
- What might it be expected to do that it does not?
- · How does it work?
- How is it made or produced?
- What is in it?

Raw Materials Preservatives
Chemicals Special Ingred.

Nutrients

• What are its physical characteristics?

Color Appearance
Smell Texture
Taste Others

#### Effectiveness —

- Is there proof it has been tested and works well?
- Are there any government or other regulations that need to be mentioned or observed

#### Product Image —

- How do people view the product?
- What do they like about it?
- What do they dislike about it?
- Is it a luxury?
- Is it a necessity?
- Is it a habit?
- Is it self-indulgent?
- Do people have to have it wish they didn't?

#### Life Cycle —

• What is its life or use span?

#### Competitive Information —

- Who are the competitors?
- Does it have any advantages over them?
- Does it have any disadvantages?
- Are they all about the same?
- Do rival products present problems that this one solves?

# Manufacturing —

- How is it made?
- How long does it take?
- How many steps in ..
- How about the people
- Are there any special
- Where is it made?

# Distribution —

- How widely is the product distributed?
- Are there exclusive sellers?
- Is there a ready supply or limited amount?
- Is it available for a short season?

# History —

- When was it created or invented?
- Who introduced it?
- Has it had other names?
- Have there been product changes?
- Is there any "romance" to it?

# Market Position —

• What is its share of the total market?

# Consumer Use —

- How is the product used?
- Are there other possible uses?
- How frequently is it bought?
- What type of person uses the product?
- Why is the product bought?

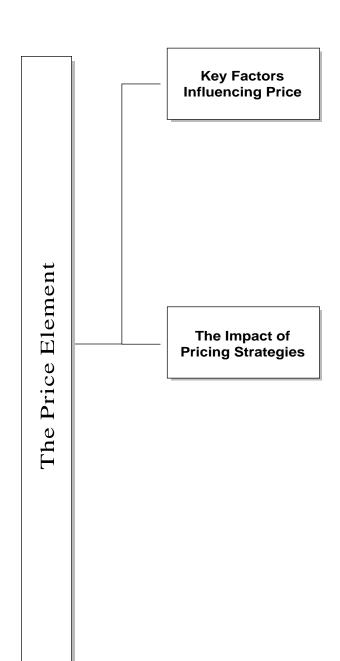
Personal use.

Gift.

Work

- What type of person uses the product most (heavy users)?
- What amount of the product is bought by the heavy users?
- Where does the best customer live?
- What kind of person is a heavy user or buyer?





### Market Demand —

Based on the Supply and Demand of product or service. Word-of-mouth communication generate awareness of product attributes. As product information spreads, the risk typically associated with new products diminish, which increases price.

### Production and Distribution Costs —

The challenge for advertising is to convince the consumer that the value of the exchange is indeed equal with the rise of costs.

### Competition —

The perception of the price relative to the competition is more important than the absolute price of the item.

# Competitive Pricing Strategy —

Ads show a list a wide variety of products with a large, bold price next to each item. Retaliatory possible.

# Comparative Pricing —

Showing the regular list price and special low price. Comparing price conveys discount values.

# Skimming Strategy —

Ads feature convenience and service. Lower price with competitive pressures.

# Penetration Pricing —

Ads starts with low price to build traffic. Then raise price with ads to convey service, quality, etc.

# Promotional Pricing —

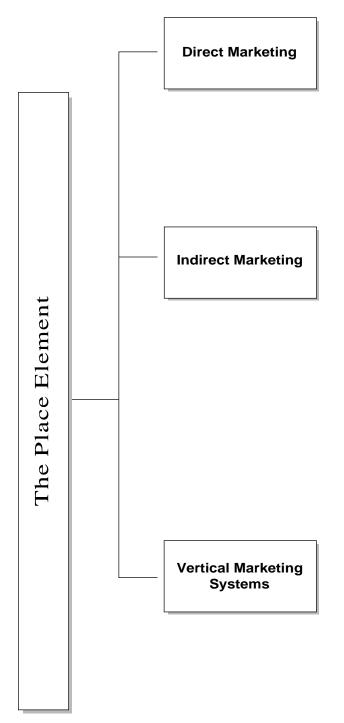
Introduce a new line or clear out old lines, two-for-one sales or end-of-mouth sales to stimulate demand.

# Loss-Leader Pricing —

Select product to price below cost to create traffic. Must have items in stock.

# Prestige Pricing —

Compete on the finest equipment available, the best service, free delivery, and friendly, knowledgeable clerks in plush surroundings.



### Direct Marketing —

Moving the store to the customer's location. Maintain database of customers and use variety of media to communicate with those customers. See Ss.1.

### Terms —

Middlemen operate between the producer and the consumer or industrial purchaser.

Distribution Channel take title, or assist in taking title, to the product as it moves through channel.

# Intensive Distribution —

Convenience goods available at every possible location. Use of "push" and "pull" strategies.

### Selective Distribution —

Manufacturers can cut their distribution costs. Use of cooperative advertising program.

# Exclusive Distribution —

Rights to a wholesaler or retailer to sell in one geographic region.

# Vertical Marketing Systems (VMS) —

Centrally programmed and managed distribution system that supplies or otherwise service a group of stores or other businesses. The VMS is designed to profit from economies of scale and to maximize the marketing impact of all the stores in its chain. Sears, which owns the manufacturers of many products sold in its stores—Corporate Marketing Systems. Others include—Administered Systems—like Magnavox, which, as the dominant channel member; and—Contractual Systems—like IGA, which is a voluntary chain of independent members.

## Franchises —

Dealers pay a fee to operate under the guidelines and direction of the manufacturer.



Push Strategy (Tt.16)

Pull Strategy (Tt.17



# **Push Strategies**



**Trade Deals** 

**Slotting Allowances** 

**Display Allowances** 

Buy-Back Allowances Push Money (Spifs)

**Cooperative Advertising** 

Collateral Sales Materials

Dealer Premiums and Contests

Company Conventions



# **Pull Strategies**



Coupons (FSI's)

Cents-Off Promos. Refunds / Rebates

**Premiums** 

Advantages / Disadvantages

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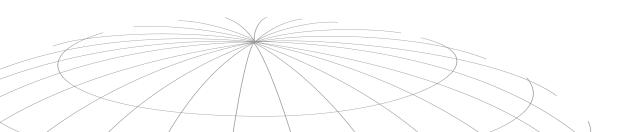
Sampling

Combination Offers

**Trading Stamps** 

Contests and **Sweepstakes** 

Point-of-Purchase **Advertising** 





### **Advantages**

# **Disadvantages**

SAMPLING

More effective when your product features or benefits (aroma) can't be fully conveyed in advertising. It's expensive. It can lack precision. It's said to be less efficient than couponing in converting triers into regular users.

**COUPONING** 

You can use it to produce trial, to convert triers to regular users, to reach large numbers of prospects, to load regular users or trade them up to larger sizes, increase usage.

The method of distribution limits the kind of response you get; e.g., in-pack coupons. Coupons work best with older, better educated, urban, and married consumers.

**TRADE COUPONS** 

Trade coupons ran with store ads. Good when for trial on a geographic basis, or obtaining offshelf displays and price features. Expect a lot of misredemption (primarily by the trade). It's hard to estimate total couponing budget.

TRADE ALLOWANCES Essential when gaining distribution, getting off-shelf display, encouraging price features and building inventories. Abused. Much laxness about passing on savings to consumers. Like to get along without trade allowances, but you can't.

**PRICE-OFFS** 

Reward and load present users, head off competition, establish purchase patterns after initial trial, enforce pass-through of savings, create off-shelf attention. Price-offs can give sales a bump, but can't reverse a downward sales trend. They can't produce loyal new users. Repeated use degrades the perceived value.

IN, ON AND NEAR-PACKS

Can increase product usage if the premium is directly related to the way the product us used (coffee cups for coffee). On-packs that don't fit easily on the shelf can be used to force off-shelf display if product is popular. Can produce premiums that extend the advertising.

A bad one can actually reduce sales, the trade resists premiums that compete with products they can sell of a profit. Pilferage can be a problem.

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# <u>Advantages</u>

# **Disadvantages**

SELF-LIQUIDATING PREMIUMS

Can extend brand image, reinforce advertising and increase ad readership. Can serve as a nottoo-disguised dealer loader.

They're not good for building trial. Less than 10-15% of households have ever sent for a premium.

CONTESTS AND SWEEPSTAKES

Will get advertising read, extend and reinforce the product's image, often gets on-the-floor display space, chance to lure new triers. Large budgets. Won't produce mass trial, over 75% of entries are accompanied by — not proofs-of-purchase, and will entertain professional entrants.

**REFUND OFFERS** 

Create excitement at fairly modest cost. Offers the change to flag the package. Reinforces brand loyalty.

Don't look for a lot of consumer interest. Refunds don't generate trial; they're slow . . . and results are hard to measure.

**BONUS PACKS** 

A favorite of the vitamin people, bonus packs are useful in converting triers to users. Good technique for making something happen at the shelf.

They don't get trial, do nothing for band image, and they can be abused by the trade. Branded packs can nbe ripped apart for separate sale.

**STAMP PLANS** 

Can be used to get steady users and create differences in parity products.

Appeal to small segments of buyers; they don't interest the retailer or do anything to boost sales to the trade; and they won't get offshelf display.



# **Public Relation Activities**

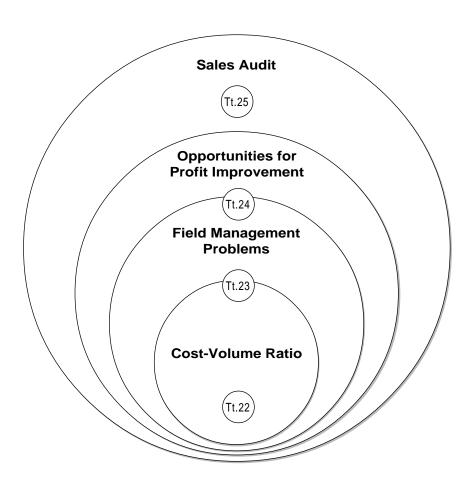
- Publicity and Press Agentry
- Public Affairs and Lobbying
- Community Involvement
- Promotion and Special-Events Management
- Publications / Research
- Fund Raising and Membership Drives
- Public Speaking

# **Public Relation Tools**

- News Releases and Media Kits
- Photography
- Feature Articles
- Printed Materials
- Posters, Exhibits, and Bulletin Boards
- Corporate Advertising



# **PERSONAL SALES ISSUES**





# Inflationary Impact

To maintain a fixed percent time with inflation, more volume has to be sold per salesperson.

# Industry Differences

Cost characteristics differ between types of products. Conclusions can be obtained by comparing exact industries with each other.

# **Profitability**

Superior sales volume per salesperson will result in a low cost ratio, and this lower ratio will favorably affect net profit.

# Sales Compensation Plans

- Commission
- Salary
- Salary plus Incentive

It is very difficult to drive the cost ratio down with a straight commission plan. However, the ratio is most responsive to a salary plan, and the ratio responds to a salary plus incentive plan.



# Field Management Problems

# Sales Cost Escalation

Sales per territory (product) must go up proportionately.

# Market Changes

Shifts in market size and characteristics call for different sales approaches.

# Product Proliferation

Management is faced with the question of when to drop the generalist in favor of the specialist.

# Changing Channels

The most successful channel of ten years ago may not be the best way to market today.

# NAM's

When appropriate to instigate a national Account Management Program.

Opportunities for Profit Improvement

# Territory Management

Time/cost analysis lead to the conclusion that significant improvement in sales force productivity could be realized if the service effort were shifted to lower cost specialists.

# Job Specialization/ Simplification

Sales specialization by product lines or industry lines (e.g., IBM) involves shifting the expensive field sales effort away from lower value and time consuming activities towards more productive pursuits.

- low volume accounts by telephone
- support personnel to cover misc.
- specialists for service and technical

# General Sales Management

- 1) adynamic and current organization support.
- 2) a good planning program.
- 3) adequate analysis of territory potential and customer profitability.





# Marketing Profile

Phase involves identifying company objectives, strategies, market position, sales organization, territorial coverage, sales results, costs and profit results. Establishes basic framework.

# Definition of Selling Function

Identifies the major functional components of the field sales job in terms of current practices versus both management objectives and market requirements. Includes planning, travel, waiting, face-to-face selling, service, and paperwork.

# **Evaluation of Effectiveness**

The effectiveness of the salesperson relative to company objectives, market requirements, and competitive activities.

# Analysis of Territory Configuration and Coverage

The nature and rationale for the current sales territories in terms of geographical configurations, sales potentials, sales goals, and work load (time available and calls made).

# Analysis of Sales Training

The ten steps to a sales: 1) information gathering;

- 2) suspect evaluation; 3) prospect confirmation;
- 4) concept presentation; 5) account re-qualification
- 6) application study solution; 7) demonstration;
- 9) close; 10) installation and training.

# Review of Information System

Whether information is adequate and timely to serve sales management and permit performance measurement.

# Evaluation of Sales Management

The evaluation of the field sales organization structure (including support), an appraisal of the effectiveness of personnel, and an indication to whether the compensation plans are supportive of management objectives and strategies.

# Ranking of Improvement Opportunities

Becomes critical to rank the opportunities in terms of importance and payoff potential. Without setting priorities, the effort can degenerate into an exercise in fighting brush fires.

# Development of an Implementation Program

Final step is to create a work plan calling for specific action within each top priority area, identifying program responsibilities, establishing time schedules, and setting up monitoring procedures.



DATE:

**COMPANY NAME:** 

TITLE OR PRODUCT:

# I. Executive Summary

- A. Premises Summary of Marketing Plan
- B. Summary of Advertising Objectives
- C. Summary of Advertising Strategies
- D. Budget Summary

# **II. Situation Analysis**

See Marketing Plan Aa.1

# III. Advertising Objectives

- A. Primary of selective demand
- B. Direct action or indirect action
- C. Objectives stated in terms of advertising pyramid
  - 1. Awareness
  - 2. Comprehension
  - 3. Comprehension
  - 4. Desire
  - 5. Action
  - 6. Repurchase reinforcement
- D. Quantified expression of objectives
  - 1. Specific quantities or percentages
  - 2. Length of time for achievement of objectives
  - 3. Other possible measurements
    - a. Inquiries
    - b. Increased order size
    - c. Morale building
    - d. Other



# IV. Advertising (Creative) Strategy

- A. Product concept how the advertising will present the product in terms of:
  - 1. Product or market positioning
  - 2. Product differentiation
  - 3. Life cycle
  - 4. Classification, packaging, branding
  - 5. FCB Grid purchase-decision position
    - a. High/low involvement
    - b. Rational/emotional involvement
- B. Target audience the specific people the advertising will address:
  - 1. Detailed description of target audiences
    - a. Relationship of target audience to target market
    - b. Prospective buying influences
    - c. Benefits sought/advertising appeals
    - d. Demographics
    - e. Psychographics
    - f. Behavioristic
  - 2. Prioritization of target audiences
    - a. Primary
    - b. Secondary
    - c. Supplementary
- C. Communications media
  - 1. Definition of media objectives
    - a. Reach
    - b. Frequency
    - c. Gross rating points
    - d. Continuity/flighting/pulsing
  - 2. Determination of which media reach the target audience best:
    - a. Traditional mass media
      - (1) Radio
      - (2) Television
      - (3) Newspapers
      - (4) Magazines
      - (5) Outdoor
    - b. Other media
      - (1) Direct Mail
      - (2) Publicity
    - c. Supplemental media
      - (1) Trade Shows
      - (2) Sales promotion devices
      - (3) Off-the-wall media



- 3. Availability of media relative to purchase patterns
- 4. Potential for communication effectiveness
- 5. Cost considerations
  - a. Size/mechanical considerations of message units
  - b. Cost efficiency of media plan against target audiences
  - c. Production costs
- 6. Relevance to other elements of creative mix
- 7. Scope of media plan
- 8. Exposure/attention/motivation values of intended media vehicles
- D. Advertising message
  - 1. Copy elements
    - a. Advertising appeals
    - b. Copy platform
    - c. Key consumer benefits
    - d. Benefit supports or reinforcements
    - e. Product personality or image
  - 2. Art elements
    - a. Visual appeals
      - (1) In ads and commercials
      - (2) In packaging
      - (3) In point-of-purchase and sales materials
    - b. Art platform
      - (1) Layout
      - (2) Design
      - (3) Illustration style
  - 3. Production elements
    - a. Mechanical considerations in producing ads
      - (1) Color
      - (2) Size
      - (3) Style
    - b. Production values sought
      - (1) Typography
      - (2) Printing
      - (3) Color reproduction
      - (4) Photography/illustration
      - (5) Paper
      - (6) Electronic effects
      - (7) Animation
      - (8) Film or videotape
      - (9) Sound effects
      - (10) Music



# V. The Advertising Budget

- A. Impact of marketing situation on method of allocation
  - 1. New or old product
  - 2. Primary demand curve for product class
  - 3. Competitive situation
  - 4. Marketing objectives and strategy
  - 5. Profit or growth considerations
  - 6. Relationship of advertising to sales and profits
  - 7. Empirical experience
- B. Method of allocation
  - 1. Percentage of sales or profit
  - 2. Share of market
  - 3. Task method
  - 4. Unit of sale
  - 5. competitive parity

# VI. Testing and Evaluation

- A. Advertising research conducted
  - 1. Strategy determination
  - 2. Concept development
- B. Pretesting and post-testing
  - 1. Elements tested
    - a. Markets
    - b. Motives
    - c. Messages
    - d. Media
    - e. Budgeting
    - f. Scheduling
  - 2. Methodology
    - a. Central location tests
    - b. Sales experiments
    - c. Physiological testing
    - d. Aided recall tests
    - e. Unaided recall tests
    - f. Attitude tests
    - g. Inquiry tests
    - h. Sales tests
    - i. Other
  - 3. Cost of testing





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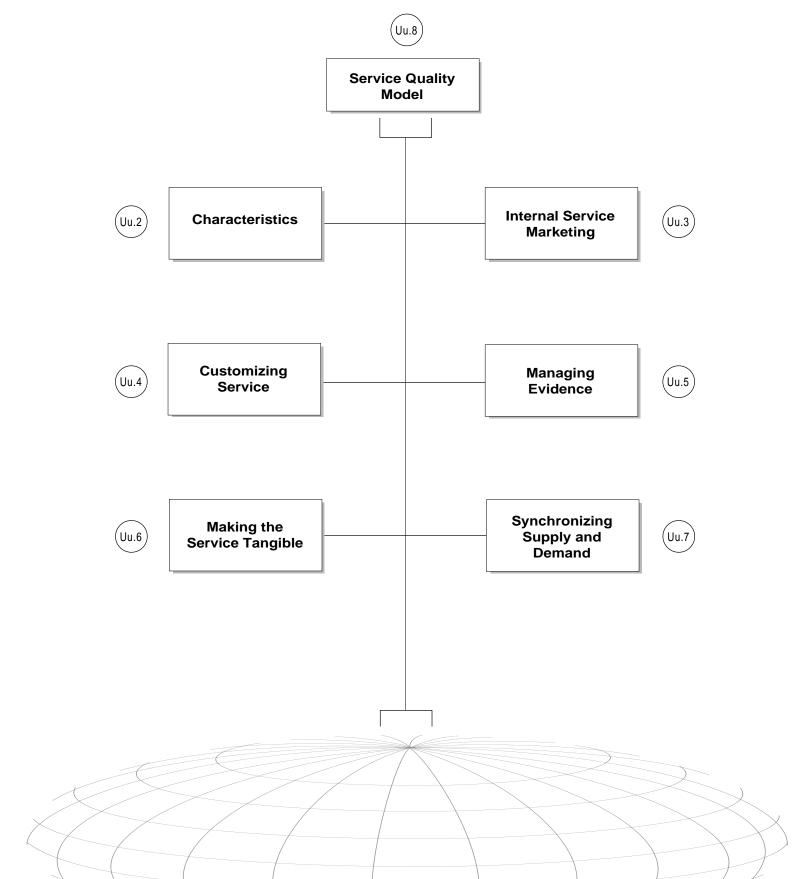
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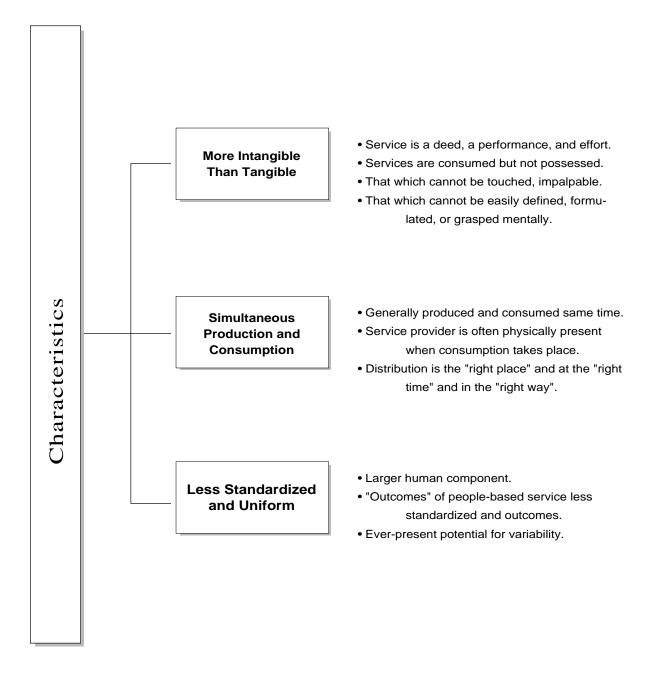
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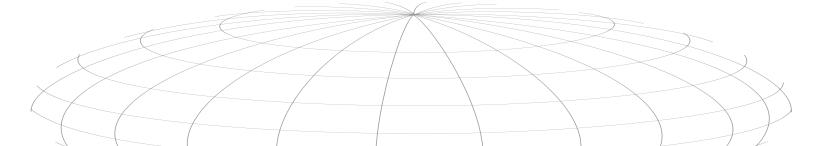












# Internal Service Marketing

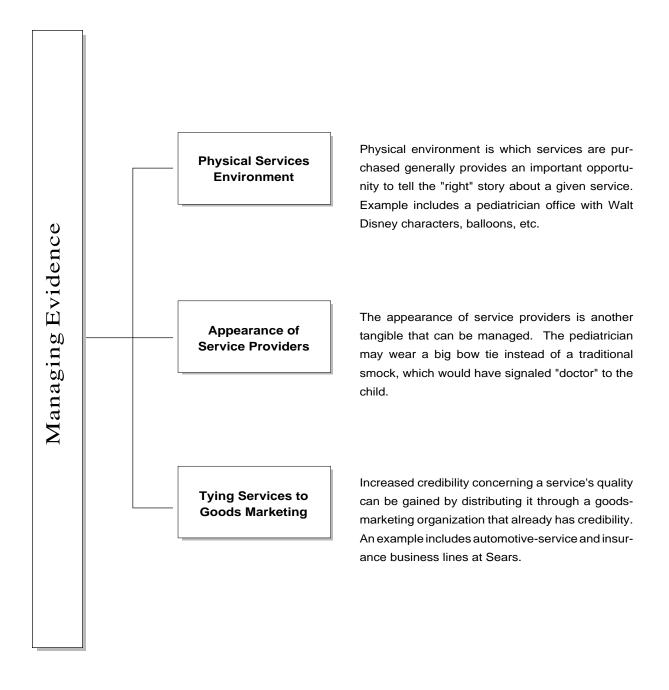
- Human performance materially shapes the service outcome and hence becomes part of the "product."
- In high-contact service industries, marketers need to be concerned with internal, not just external, marketing.
- Internal marketing means applying the philosophy and practices of marketing to the people that serve the external customer so that
  - a) the best possible people can be employed and retained.
  - b) they will do the best possible work.
- Internal marketing is viewing employees as internal customers, viewing
  jobs as internal products, and endeavoring to design these products to
  better meet the needs of these customers.
- The relevance of marketing thinking to personnel management is very real. The banks and insurance companies adopting flexible working hours are redesigning jobs to better accommodate individual differences, an example of market segmentation.
- The successful service company must first sell the job to employees before it can sell its services to customers.



# Customizing Service

- A fundamental marketing objective is to effect a good fit between what the
  customer-prospect wants to buy and what the organization has to sell, the
  potential for tailoring service to meet the precise desires of individual
  customers should not be taken lightly (e.g., Wendy's production line).
- Must determine the circumstances under which customization should apply and the circumstances under which standardization should apply.
   Examples include private banking services versus ATMs.





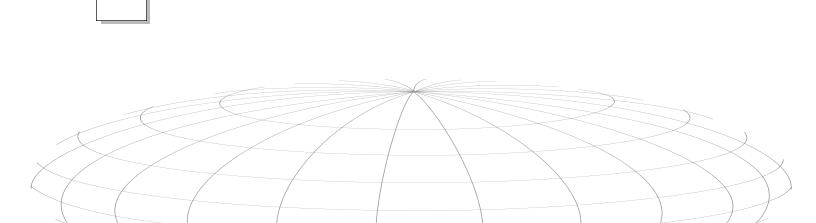
Marketing advantage usually is to be gained if the service can be made more "touchable" and more easily grasped mentally.

Sometimes it is possible to make a service more palpable by creating a tangible representation of it. This is what has occurred with the development of the bank credit card.

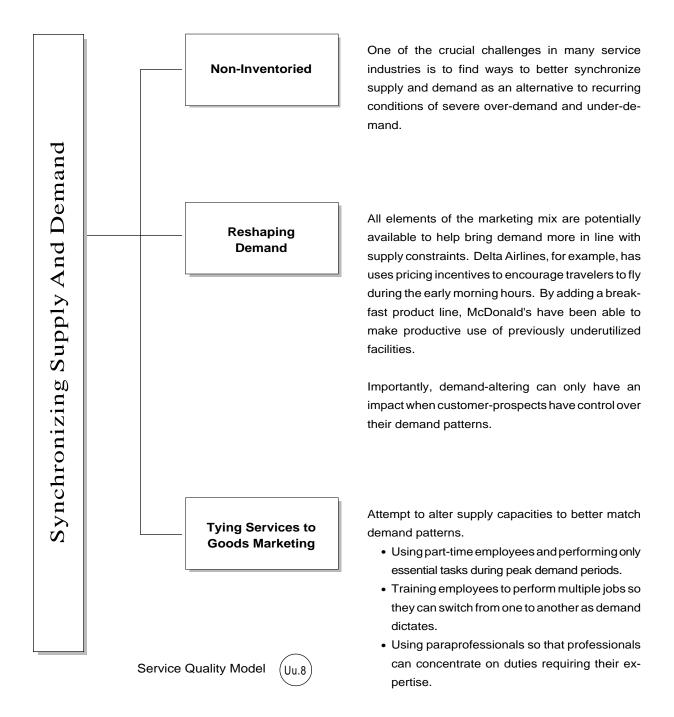
Just as service marketers should consider whether there are opportunities to develop a tangible representation of the service, so should they look for opportunities to make the service more easily grasped mentally.

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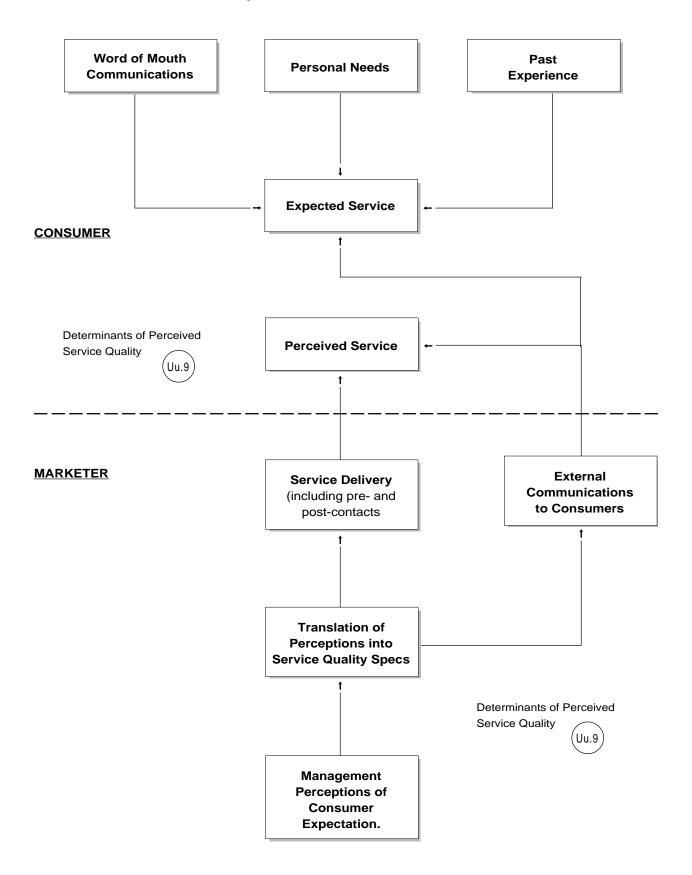
- "You are in good hands with Allstate."
- "I've got a piece of the rock."
- "Under the Traveler's umbrella."
- "The Nationwide blanket of protection."



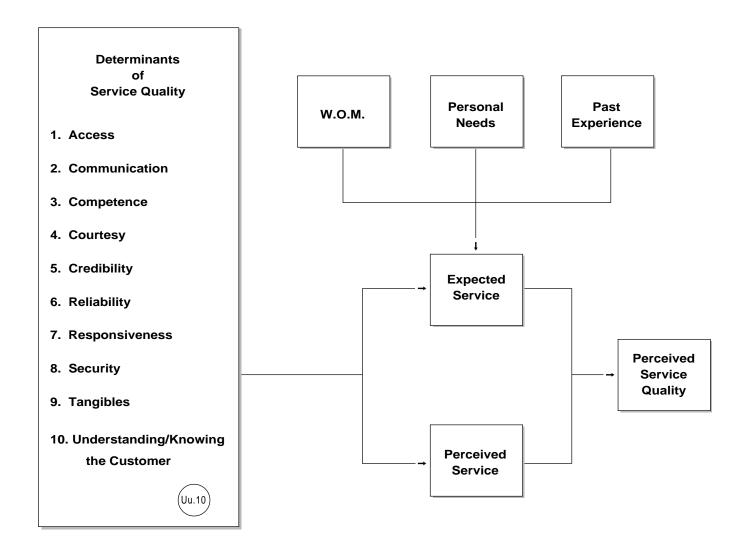


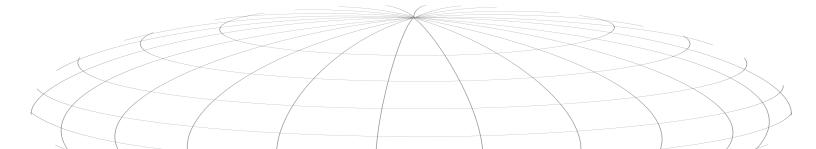


# **Service Quality Model**



# **Determinants of Perceived Service Quality**





# **Determinants of Service Quality**

**RELIABILITY** involve consistency of performance and dependability. It means that the firm performs the service right the first time. It also means that the firm honors its promises. Specifically, it involves:

- accuracy in billing;
- keeping records correctly;
- performing the service at the designated time.

**RESPONSIVENESS** concerns the willingness or readiness of employees to provide service. It involves timeliness of service:

- mailing a transaction slip immediately;
- calling the customer back quickly;
- giving prompt service (e.g., setting up appointments quickly).

**COMPETENCE** means possession of the required skills and knowledge to perform the service. It involves:

- knowledge and skill of the contact personnel;
- knowledge and skill of operational support personnel;
- research capability of the organization, e.g., securities brokerage firm.

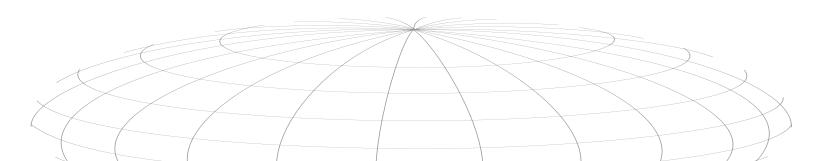
**ACCESS** involves approachability and ease of contact. It mean:

- the service is easily accessible by telephone (lines are not busy and they don't put you on hold);
- waiting time to receive service (e.g., at a bank) is not extensive;
- convenient hours of operation;
- convenient location of service facility.

**COMMUNICATION** means keeping customers informed in language they can understand and listening to them. It may mean that the company has to adjust its language for different consumers — increasing the level of sophistication with a well-educated customer and speaking simply and plainly with a novice. It involves:

- explaining the service itself;
- explaining how much the service will cost;
- explaining the trade-offs between service and cost;
- assuring the consumer that a problem will be handled.

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# **Determinants of Service Quality**

**COURTESY** involves politeness, respect, consideration, and friendliness of contact personnel. It includes:

- consideration for the consumer's property (e.g., no muddy shoes on the carpet);
- clean and neat appearance of public contact personnel.

**CREDIBILITY** involves trustworthiness, believability, honesty. It involves having the customer's best interests at heart. Contributing to credibility are:

- company name;
- company reputation;
- personal characteristics of the contact personnel;
- the degree of hard sell involved in interactions with the customer.

**SECURITY** is the freedom from danger, risk, or doubt. It involves:

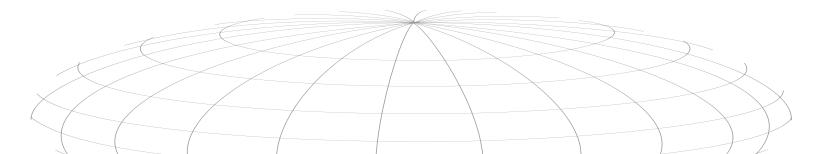
- physical safety (Will I get mugged at the automatic teller machine?);
- financial security (Does the company know where my stock certificate is?);
- confidentiality (Are my dealings with the company private?).

**UNDERSTANDING/KNOWING THE CUSTOMER** involves making the effort to understand the customer's needs. It involves:

- learning the customer's specific requirements;
- providing individualized attention;
- recognizing the regular customer.

**TANGIBLES** include the physical evidence of the service:

- physical facilities;
- appearance of personnel;
- tools or equipment used to provide the service;
- physical representations of the service, such as a plastic credit card or a bank statement;
- other customers in the service facility.







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