

STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Unit-1

Introduction to Strategic management

Strategic management:

What Is Strategic Management?

Strategic management is the management of an organization's resources to achieve its goals and objectives.

Strategic management involves setting objectives, analyzing the competitive environment, analyzing the internal organization, evaluating strategies, and ensuring that management rolls out the strategies [across the organization](#).

Example of Strategic Management

For example, a for-profit technical college wishes to increase new student enrollment and enrolled student graduation rates over the next three years. The purpose is to make the college known as the best buy for a student's money among five for-profit technical colleges in the region, with a goal of increasing revenue.

In that case, strategic management means ensuring the school has funds to create high-tech classrooms and hire the most qualified instructors. The college also invests in marketing and recruitment and implements student retention strategies. The college's leadership assesses whether its goals have been achieved on a periodic basis.

Process of Strategic management:

There are four process of strategic management. They are

1. Environmental scanning
2. Strategy formulation
3. Strategy implementation
4. Strategy evaluation

Strategic Management Process



Elements of Strategic management:

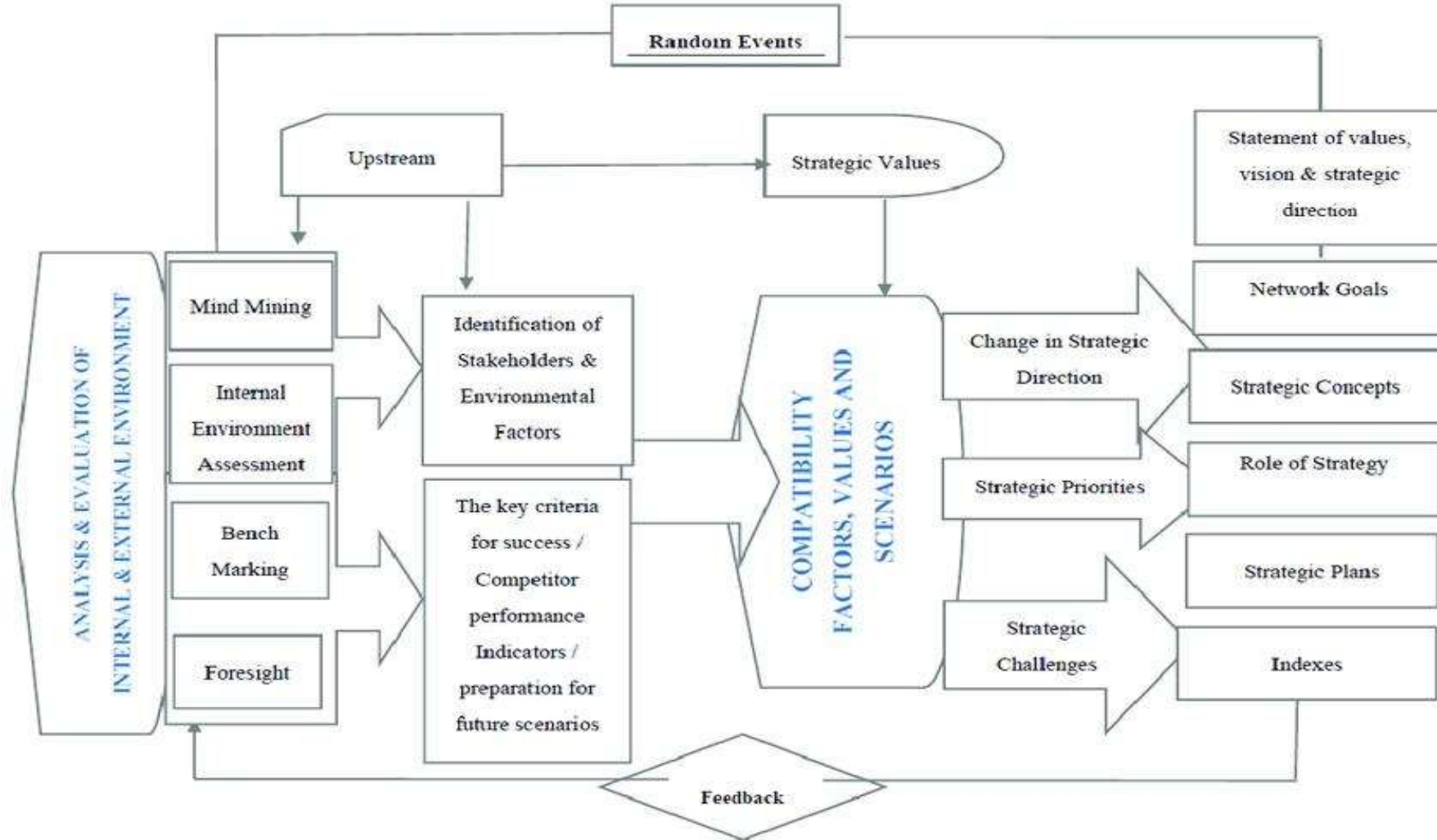
ELEMENTS OF STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Some of the important elements of strategic management are:

1. Competitive advantage
2. Sustained competitive advantage
3. Resource- based view
4. Industrial/organizational view
5. Resources and capabilities
6. Relationship between resources, capabilities, competitive advantage and strategy
7. Vision and mission statements



Conceptual framework for Strategic management

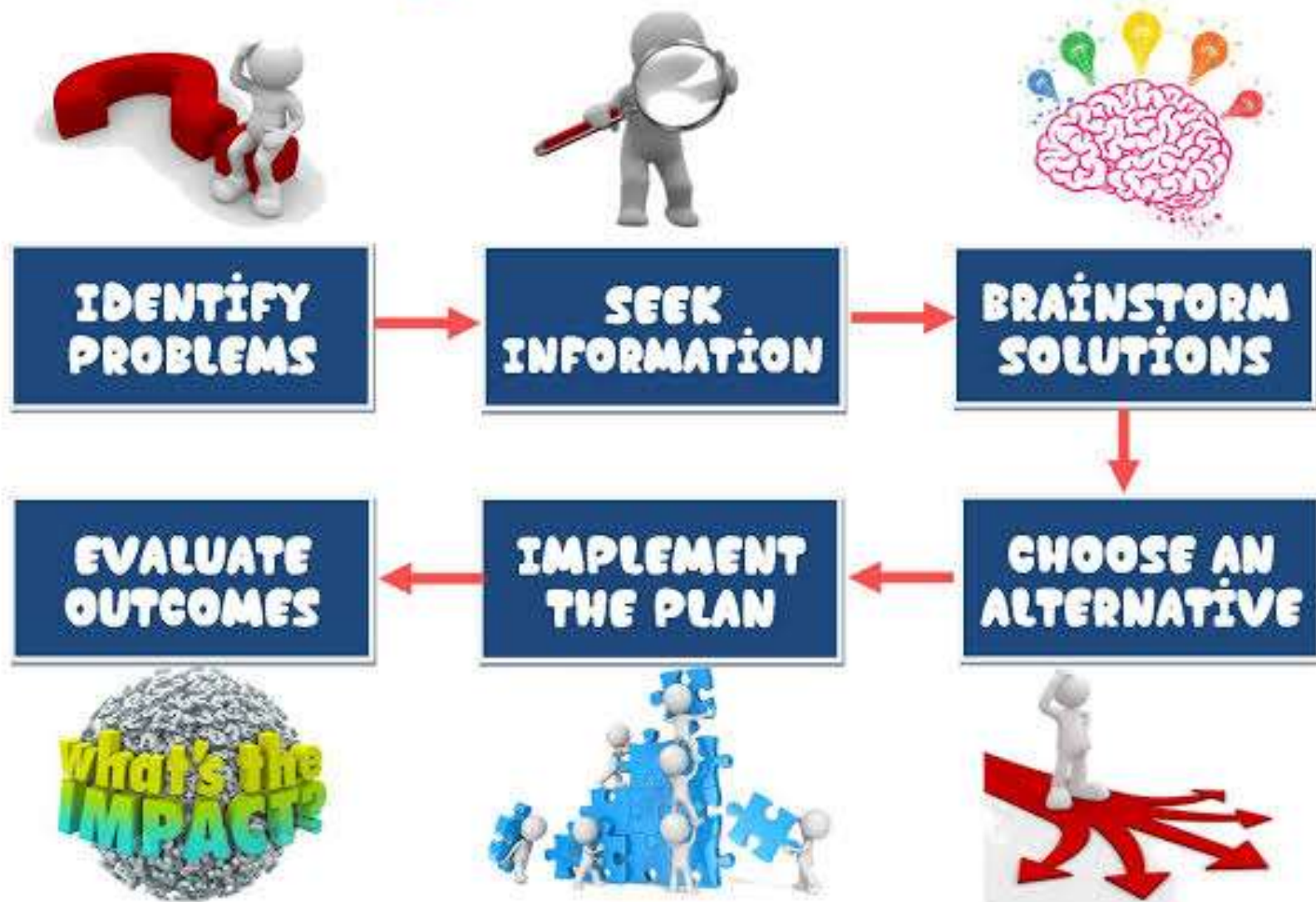


STRATEGIC DECISION MAKING:

WHAT IS STRATEGIC DECISION MAKING?

Strategic decision-making is a process of understanding the interaction of decisions and their impact upon the organization to gain an advantage. Wrong decisions taken at the wrong time, may result in catastrophic consequences. In other words, the power of strategic thinking lies in combining the power of the right decision with the right time.

Strategic Decision Making



ISSUES IN STRATEGIC DECISION MAKING:

Issues in Strategic Decision-making



There is no theoretical model, that represents different dimensions of strategic decision-making but we will try to understand the strategic decision-making by considering some important issues related to it. These issues are:

Criteria for Decision-making

Rationality in Decision-making

Creativity in Decision-making

Variability in Decision-making

Person-related factors in Decision-making

Individual versus Group Decision-making

Issues in strategic decision-making

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STRATEGIC FORMULATION PROCESS:

WHAT IS STRATEGY FORMULATION?

Strategy formulation is the process of using available knowledge to document the intended direction of a business and the actionable steps to reach its goals.

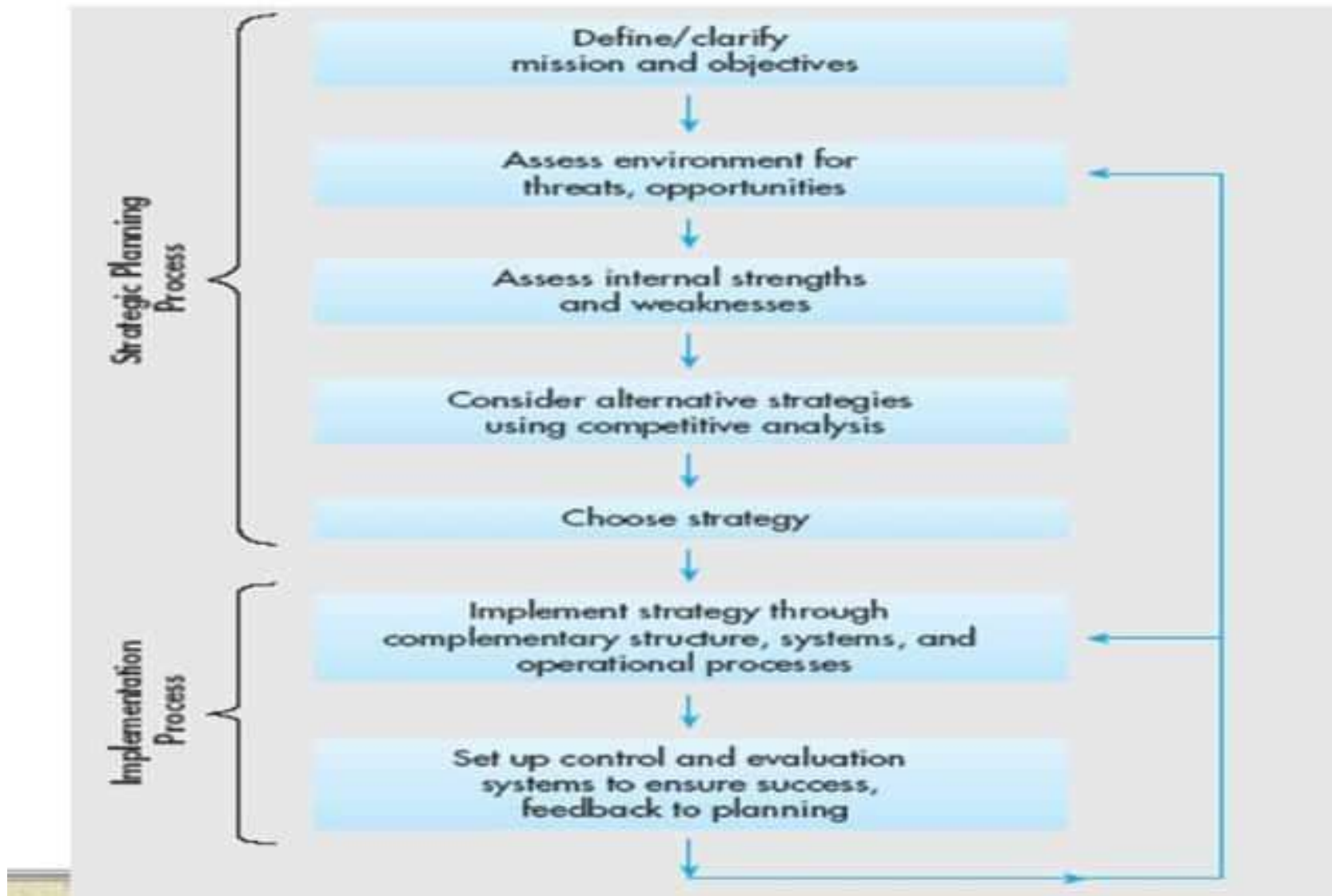
This process is used for resource allocation, prioritization, organization-wide alignment, and validation of business goals.

A successful strategy can allow your organization to share one clear vision, catch biases by examining the reasoning behind goals, and track performance with measurable key performance indicators (KPIs).

Tips for successful Strategic formulation process:

1. Start with purpose
2. Consider current events
3. Consider data, case studies and trends
4. Set and Effectively communicate goals
5. Think of strategy as an ongoing process

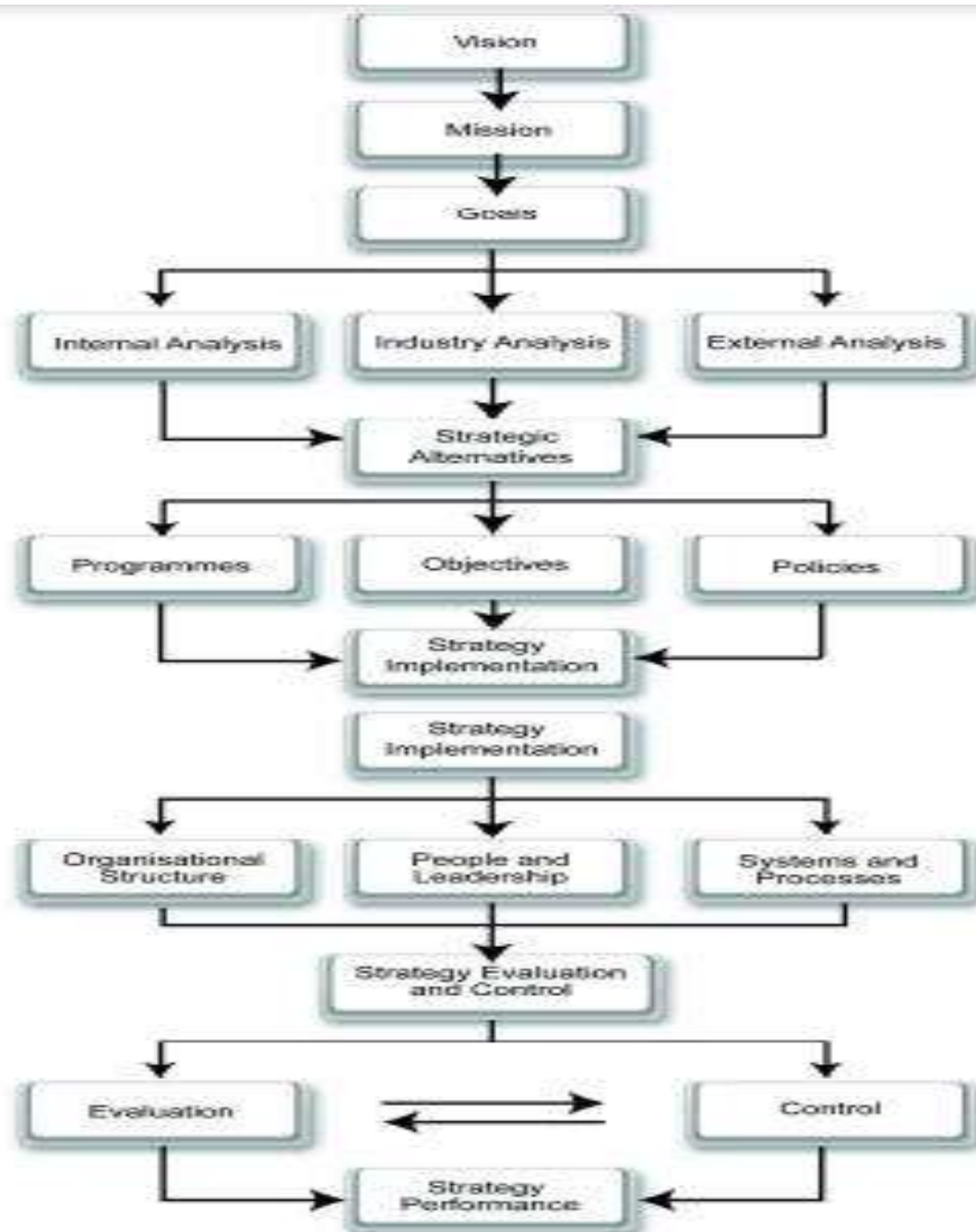
Strategic Formulation Process



Strategic management models:

Strategic management involves making decisions and taking actions that can help organisations achieve their objectives by adopting a systematic way of formulating the strategy, implementing the strategy, and evaluating and controlling the strategy implemented. Strategic management, therefore, integrates various functional areas like marketing, management, finance, accounting, human resources, production and information systems in a formal and systematic manner consistent with the objectives of the organisation and superior performance. This definition also suggests that strategic management comprises three key components, namely, strategy formulation, strategy implementation and strategy evaluation and control.

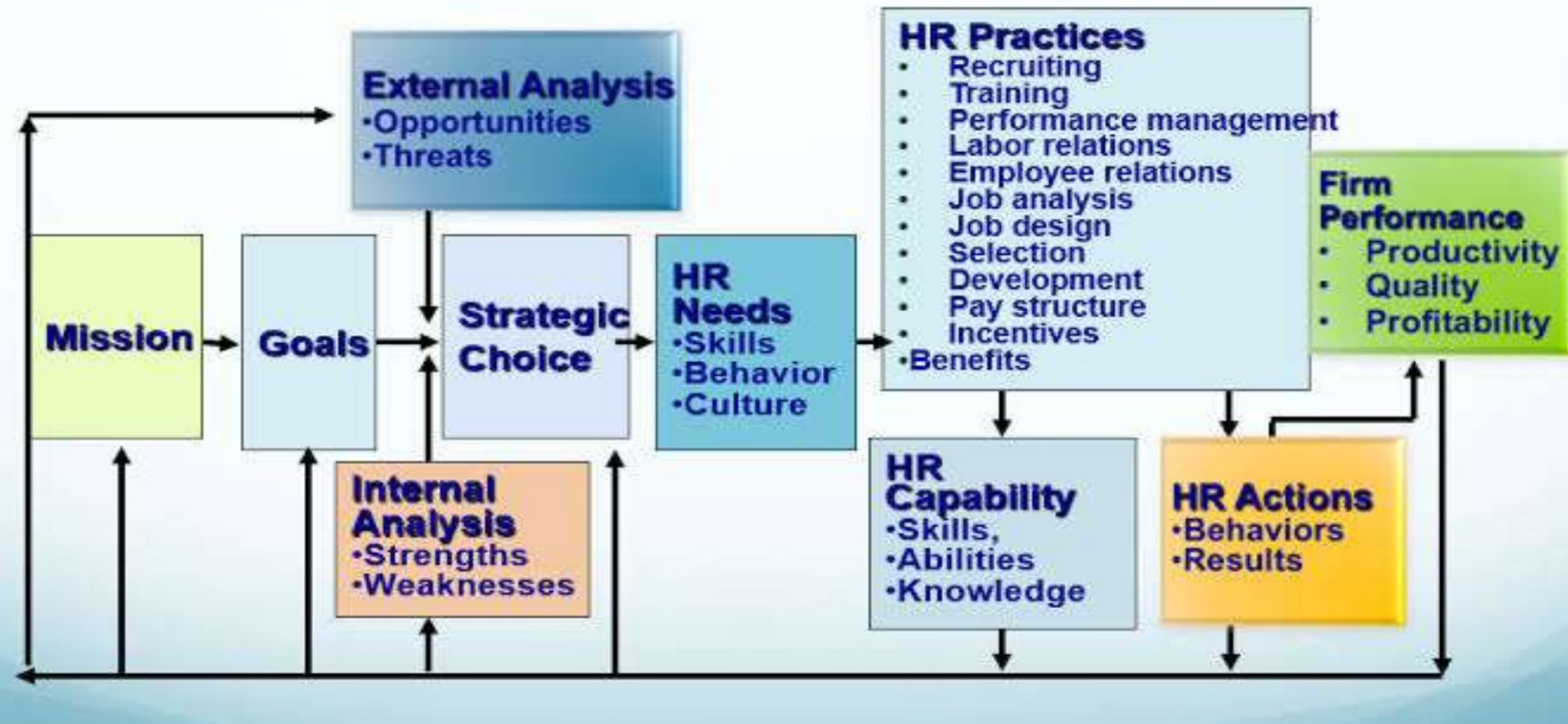
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Strategic Management Process Model

Strategy Formulation

Strategy Implementation



Corporate Governance:

Definition:

Corporate governance, in strategic management, refers to the set of internal rules and policies that determine how a company is directed. Corporate governance decides, for example, which strategic decisions can be decided by managers and which decisions must be decided by the board of directors or shareholders.

Principles of Corporate Governance:

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- **Sustainable development of all stake holders**- to ensure growth of all individuals associated with or effected by the enterprise on sustainable basis
- **Effective management and distribution of wealth** – to ensue that enterprise creates maximum wealth and judiciously uses the wealth so created for providing maximum benefits to all stake holders and enhancing its wealth creation capabilities to maintain sustainability

Elements of Corporate Governance



UNIT-2

STRATEGIC FORMULATION

Business level strategy:

Meaning:

Business level strategies refer to the combined set of moves and actions taken with an aim of offering value to the customers and developing a competitive advantage, by using the firm's core competencies, in the individual product or service market. It determines the market position of the enterprise, in relation to its rivals.

Business-Level Strategies are mainly concerned with the firms having multiple businesses and each business is considered as **Strategic Business Unit (SBU)**.

Business Level Strategy



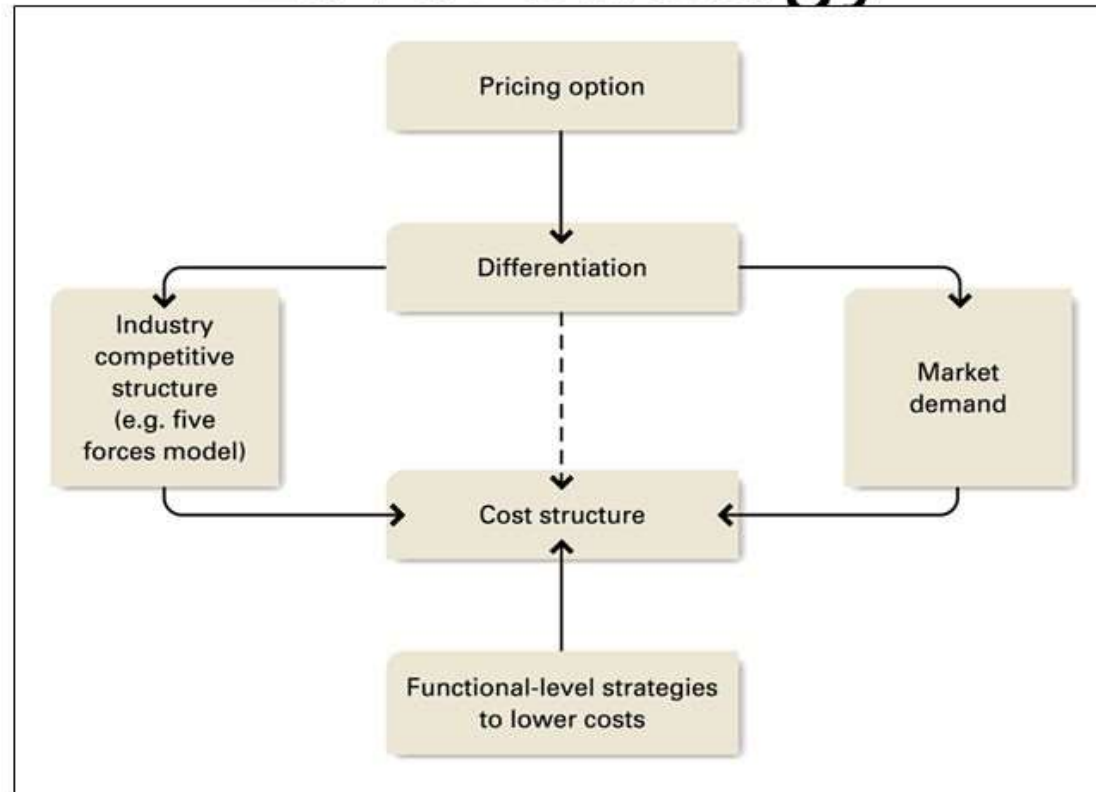
Dynamics of Business level strategy:

Definition:

Strategy Dynamics explains how business performance has developed up to the current date, and how to develop and implement strategies to improve future performance. The approach emphasises building and sustaining the resources and capabilities needed to succeed.

Strategy Dynamics focuses on performance over time.

The Dynamics of Business-Level Strategy



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Corporate level strategy:

What Is a Corporate-Level Strategy?

A corporate-level strategy can be instrumental in outlining your company's goal for the following year. You need to break down all steps that make it clear for your employees the path they're supposed to take. The type of corporate-level strategy you select can be an indicator of the company's financial success and the method they take to generate profits.

Characteristics of corporate-level strategy:

- When you're considering the corporate-level strategies you should undertake, keep these characteristic examples in mind:
- Diversification
- Forward or backward integration
- Horizontal integration
- Profit
- Turnaround
- Divestment
- Market penetration
- Liquidation
- Concentration
- Investigation
- No change

Types of Corporate-level strategy:



Expansion Strategy:

What is an Expansion Strategy?

An expansion strategy is synonymous with a growth strategy. A firm seeks to achieve faster growth, compete, achieve higher profits, grow a brand, capitalize on economies of scale, have greater impact, or occupy a larger market share. This may entail acquiring more market share through traditional competitive strategies, entering new markets, targeting new market segments, offering new products or services, expanding or improving current operations.

Types of Expansion Strategy:



REASONS TO PURSUE EXPANSION STRATEGY

- **Create strength** : growth company is well known and attracts better management.
- **Necessary for survival** : frequent changes in technology.
- **Employee satisfaction** : large size -> high executive compensation -> more power and recognition.
- **Increases productivity** : better at what it is doing -> reduces cost -> improves productivity.

Stability Strategy:

What is a Stability Strategy?

As the name implies, a stability business strategy seeks to maintain operations and market size and position. This strategy is characteristic of small risk-averse firms or firms operating in a very precarious market that is comfortable with its current position.

Types of Stability Strategy:



Advantage

- The firm successfully runs and objectives are achieved and there is satisfactory performance
- A stability strategy is less risky unless the conditions are really bad.
- When pursuing this strategy there is no disruption of routine work.
- Most suitable in short run.

Retrenchment Strategy:

What is a Retrenchment Strategy?

A redemption strategy seeks to restructure, sell or otherwise divest a business unit. The purpose is to reduce costs, streamline operations, or stabilize cash flow.

The three major types of retrenchment strategies are;

1. Turnaround strategy
2. Divestment strategy
3. Liquidation strategy

Types of Retrenchment strategy:



Retrenchment Strategy and its Challenges

- Retrenchment strategy is a strategy that is geared towards reducing expenditures; withdraw products or services from the market and to reduce the size of diversity.
 - Retrenching strategy is also known as downsizing and cutback initiatives.
- The many challenges that are associated with retrenching are as follows:
 - Growth decline.
 - Smaller workforce.
 - Inability to meet consumer demands with smaller workforce.
 - Lack of diversity.
 - Decrease in profitability.

Diversification and Strategic alliances:

What is diversification?

Diversification is a business development strategy in which a company develops new products and services, or enters new markets, beyond its existing ones.

Diversification strategy can kick-start a struggling business, or it can further extend the success of already highly profitable companies. There are four key reasons why businesses adopt a diversification strategy:

1. The company wants more revenue
2. The company wants less economic risk
3. The company's core business is in decline
4. The company wants to exploit potential synergies

Diversifying Strategic Alliances

Diversifying Strategic Alliance

- Allows a firm to expand into new product or market areas without completing a merger or an acquisition.
- Provides some of the potential synergistic benefits of a merger or acquisition, but with less risk and greater levels of flexibility.
- Permits a “test” of whether a future merger between the partners would benefit both parties.

The Role of Diversification

- **Diversification strategies play a major role in the behavior of large firms**
- **Product diversification concerns:**
 - **The scope of the industries and markets in which the firm competes**
 - **How managers buy, create and sell different businesses to match skills and strengths with opportunities presented to the firm**

Strategic Motives for Diversification

To Enhance Strategic Competitiveness:

- **Economies of scope (related diversification)**
 - Sharing activities
 - Transferring core competencies
- **Market power (related diversification)**
 - Blocking competitors through multipoint competition
 - Vertical integration
- **Financial economies (unrelated diversification)**
 - Efficient internal capital allocation
 - Business restructuring

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Advantage and Disadvantage of diversification:

| Advantages | Disadvantages |
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| <p data-bbox="517 446 639 475">Cost</p> <ul data-bbox="517 525 1235 718" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="517 525 1235 589">• Economies of combined operations<li data-bbox="517 604 1235 639">• Economies of internal control<li data-bbox="517 654 1235 718">• Economies of avoiding the market <p data-bbox="517 761 690 789">Quality</p> <ul data-bbox="517 839 1281 903" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="517 839 1281 903">• Tap into technology – enhanced ability to differentiate <p data-bbox="517 946 708 975">Barriers</p> <ul data-bbox="517 1025 1235 1218" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="517 1025 1235 1061">• Assured supply/demand<li data-bbox="517 1075 1235 1110">• Defence against lock-out<li data-bbox="517 1125 1235 1218">• Create barriers by controlling supplies/distribution/retail outlets | <p data-bbox="1307 446 1429 475">Cost</p> <ul data-bbox="1307 525 2076 853" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="1307 525 2076 625">• It may not be cheaper to do it oneself – especially if suppliers have economies of scale<li data-bbox="1307 639 2076 675">• Increased operating gearing<li data-bbox="1307 689 2076 725">• Dulled incentives<li data-bbox="1307 739 2076 775">• Capital investment<li data-bbox="1307 789 2076 853">• Reduced flexibility to switch to cheaper suppliers <p data-bbox="1307 896 1480 925">Quality</p> <ul data-bbox="1307 975 2102 1168" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="1307 975 2102 1011">• Cut off from suppliers/customers<li data-bbox="1307 1025 2102 1089">• Reduced flexibility to switch to better suppliers<li data-bbox="1307 1103 2102 1168">• Differing managerial requirements <p data-bbox="1307 1239 1505 1268">Barriers</p> <ul data-bbox="1307 1303 2025 1368" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="1307 1303 2025 1368">• Much more difficult to exit the industry |

Combination Related-Unrelated Diversification Strategies

- **Dominant-business firms**
 - One major core business accounting for 50 - 80 percent of revenues, with several small related or unrelated businesses accounting for remainder
- **Narrowly diversified firms**
 - Diversification includes a few (2 - 5) related or unrelated businesses
- **Broadly diversified firms**
 - Diversification includes a wide collection of either related or unrelated businesses or a mixture
- **Multibusiness firms**
 - Diversification portfolio includes several unrelated groups of related businesses

DIVERSIFICATION STRATEGY

PROS

1. It eliminates the cyclical nature of the standard economy.
2. There will always be unpleasant surprises.
3. Certain investments make diversification easy for the casual investor.
4. Diversification helps to maximize the use of potentially underutilized resources.
5. Growth is based on the expertise of others.
6. It provides movement away from activities which may be declining.



CONS

1. It naturally limits your growth opportunities.
2. Even diversification can lose money over time.
3. Some ETF investments for diversification are too diversified.
4. There can be unexpected tax complications.
5. It adds complexity to the investment process.
6. There can be political and legal influences which change an investor's life.

UNIT-3

COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

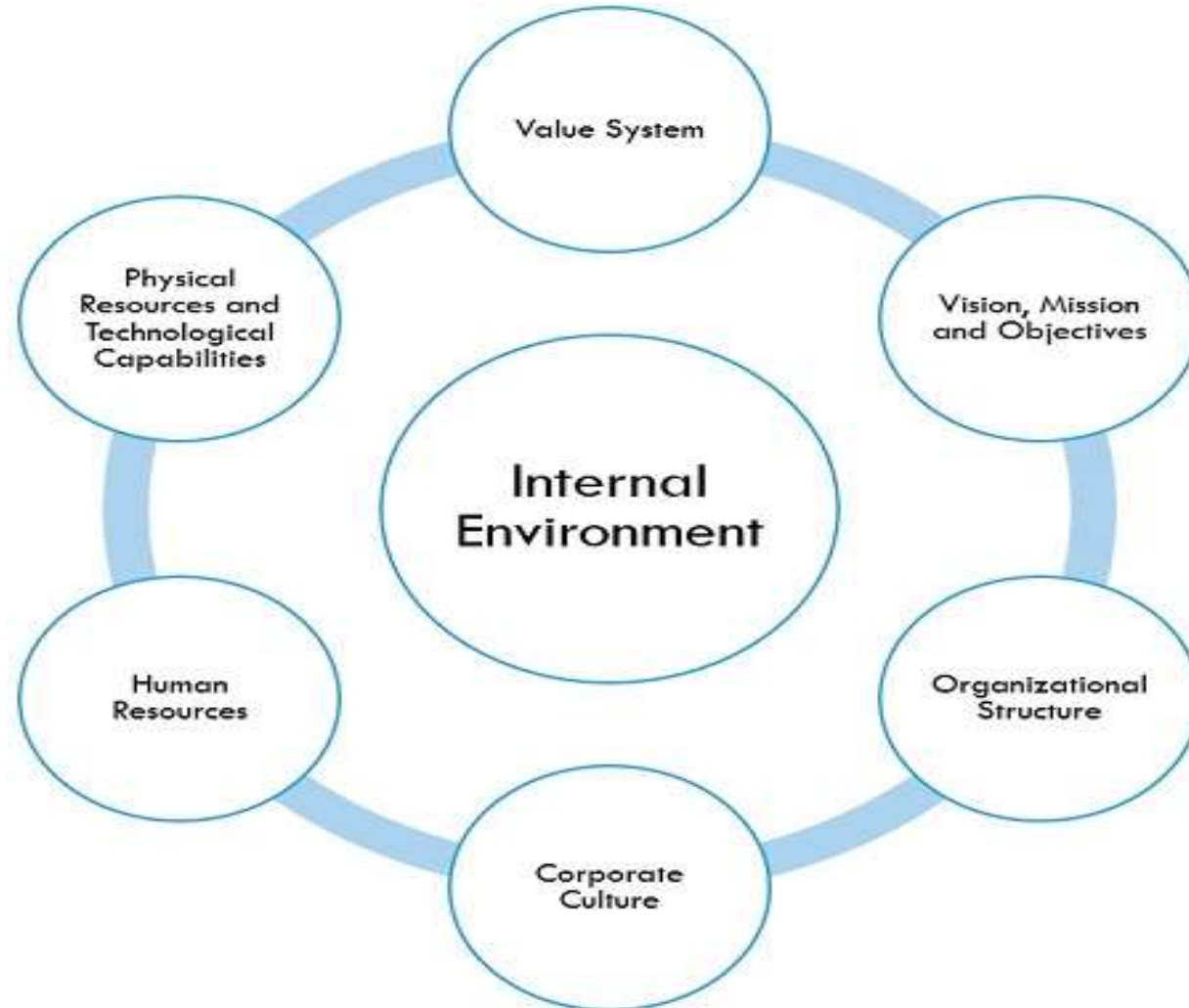
Dynamics of Internal Environment:

Meaning:

Internal environment is a component of the business environment, which is composed of various elements present inside the organization that can affect or can be affected with, the choices, activities and decisions of the organization.

It encompasses the climate, culture, machines/equipment, work and work processes, members, management and management practices.

Factors influencing Internal environment:



Porter's five force model:

What Are Porter's Five Forces?

Porter's Five Forces is a model that identifies and analyzes five competitive forces that shape every industry and helps determine an industry's weaknesses and strengths. Five Forces analysis is frequently used to identify an industry's structure to determine corporate strategy.

Porter's model can be applied to any [segment](#) of the economy to understand the level of competition within the industry and enhance a company's long-term profitability. The Five Forces model is named after Harvard Business School professor, Michael E. Porter.

Porter's Five Forces Analysis



Strategies for local company competing with global company:

Local company:

Any company that provides goods or services to a local population is considered a **local business**. Often denoted by the phrase, "[brick and mortar](#)," a local business can be a locally owned business or a corporate business with multiple locations operating in a specific area.

Global company:

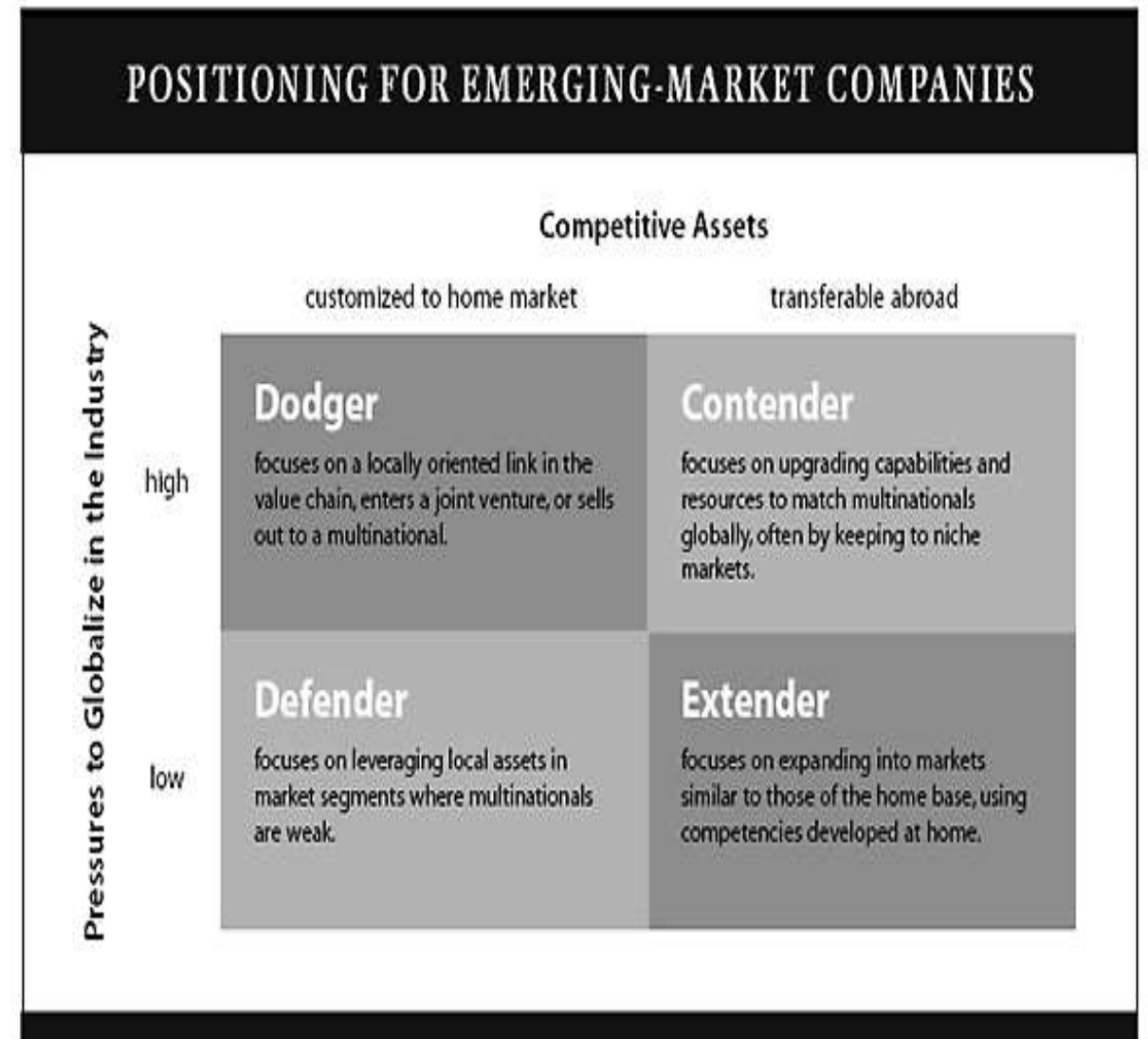
Global business generally refers to international trade. A company which is doing business all over the world, that business are called global enterprises. Earlier also there was the exchange of goods over great distances. Such trade, of course, was not by definition global but had the same characteristics.

Strategies:

As protectionist barriers crumble in emerging markets around the world, multinational companies are rushing in to find new opportunities for growth. Their arrival is a boon to local consumers, who benefit from the wider choices now available. For local companies, however, the influx often appears to be a death sentence.

Accustomed to dominant positions in protected markets, they suddenly face foreign rivals wielding a daunting array of advantages: substantial financial resources, advanced technology, superior products, powerful brands, and seasoned marketing and management skills. Often, the very survival of local companies in emerging markets is at stake.

- Despite the heated rhetoric surrounding globalization, industries actually vary a great deal in the pressures they put on companies to sell internationally.
- Two parameters—the strength of globalization pressures in an industry and the company’s transferable assets—can guide that company’s strategic thinking.
- Far from weighing down operations with low-margin sales, the company’s distribution network was the key to defending its home turf.

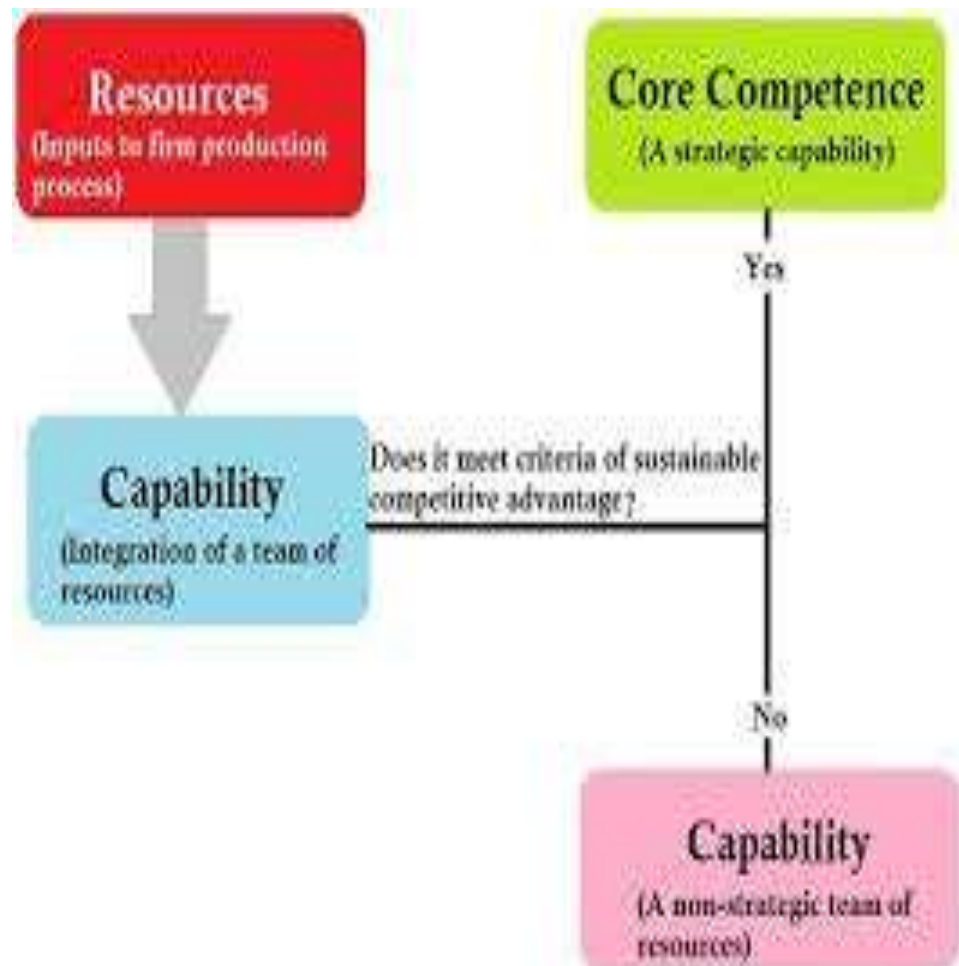


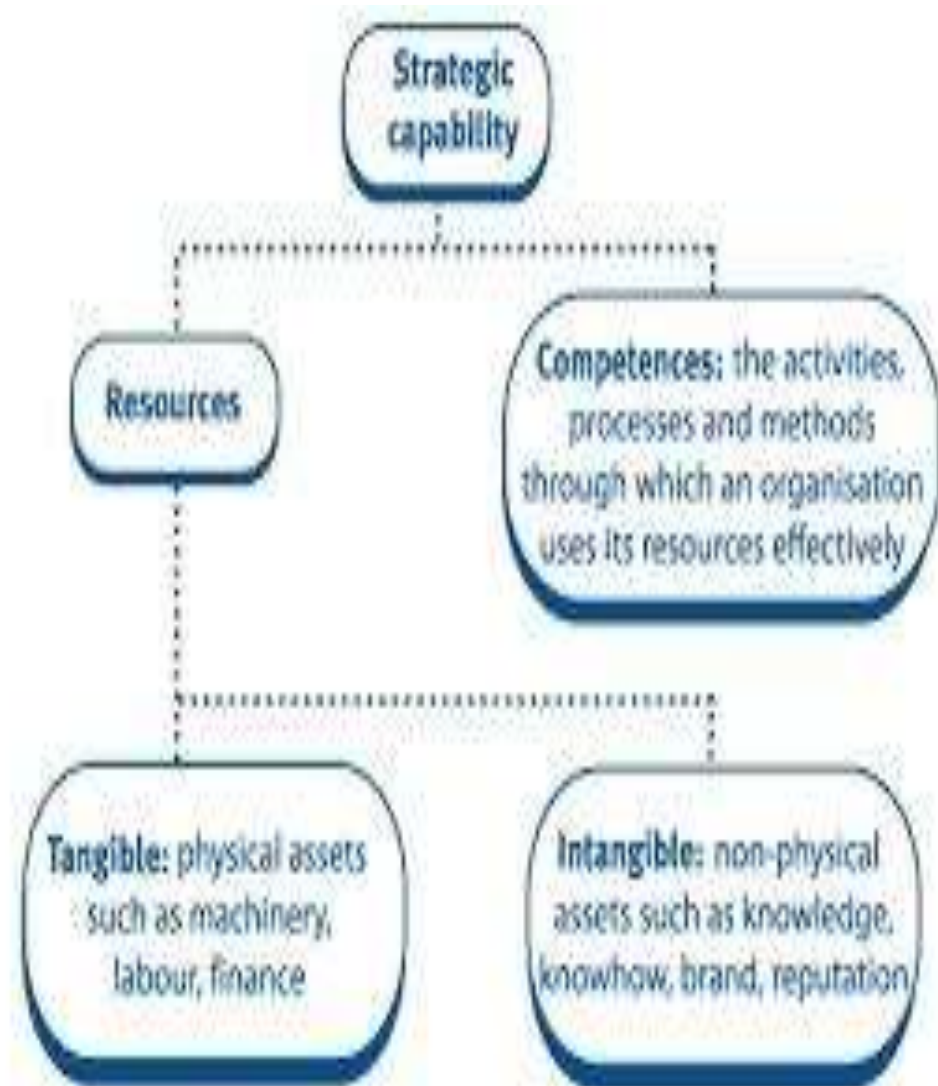
Capabilities and Competencies:

Capability-based strategies are based on the notion that internal resources and core competencies derived from distinctive capabilities provide the strategy platform that underlies a firm's long-term profitability.

Evaluation of these capabilities begins with a company capability profile, which examines a company's strengths and weaknesses in four key areas:

- Managerial
- Marketing
- Financial
- Technical





Distinctive Competence:

What Is Distinctive Competence?

Distinctive competence refers to a superior characteristic, strength, or quality that distinguishes a company from its competitors. This distinctive quality can be just about anything—innovation, a skill, design, technology, name recognition, marketing, workforce, customer satisfaction, or even being first to market.

Via distinctive competency, a company can provide a premier value to customers. This unique aspect of the company, product, or service is difficult to imitate by the competition and creates a strong competitive advantage.

Why distinctive competencies is important?

Distinctive competencies enable companies to:

1. Increase competitive advantage
2. Improve customer delight and loyalty
3. Stand apart from competitors
4. Be difficult to imitate
5. Strengthen strategy

DISTINCTIVE COMPETENCIES

- Firm- Specific strengths that allow a company to differentiate its products and/or achieve lower costs than its rivals.
 - Arise from resources and capabilities
- Resources: Assets of a company.
 - Tangible resources: Physical entities.
 - Land, buildings, and inventory, and money.
 - Intangible resources: Nonphysical entities created by managers and other employees.
 - Brand names, company reputation, and intellectual property.

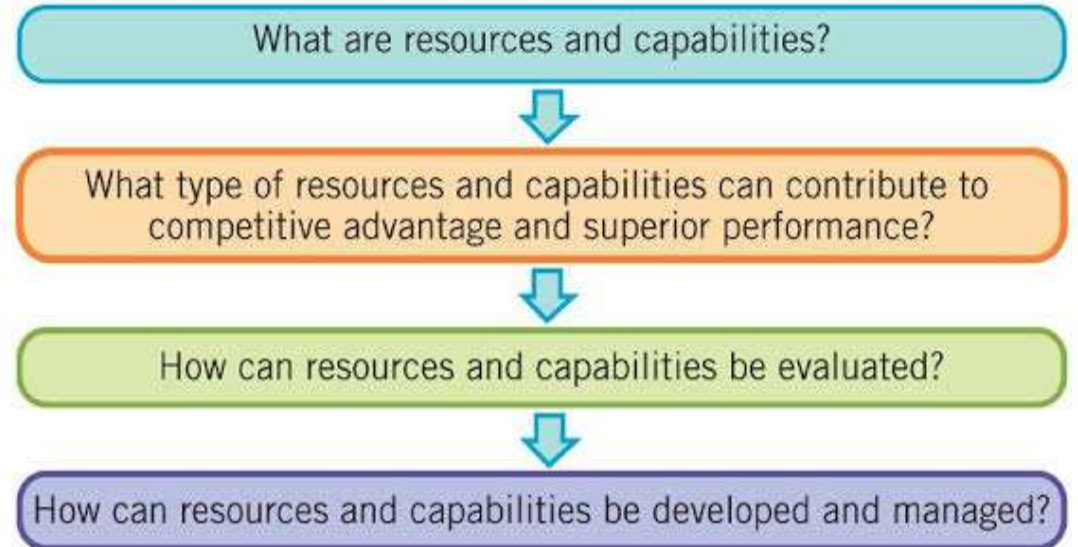
Resources and Capabilities:

Resource-based theory can be confusing because the term *resources* is used in many different ways within everyday common language. It is important to distinguish *strategic resources* from other resources. To most individuals, cash is an important resource. Tangible goods such as one's car and home are also vital resources. When analyzing organizations, however, common resources such as cash and vehicles are not considered to be strategic resources. Resources such as cash and vehicles are valuable, of course, but an organization's competitors can readily acquire them. Thus an organization cannot hope to create an enduring competitive advantage around common resources.

A strategic resource is an asset that is valuable, rare, difficult to imitate, and nonsubstitutable.

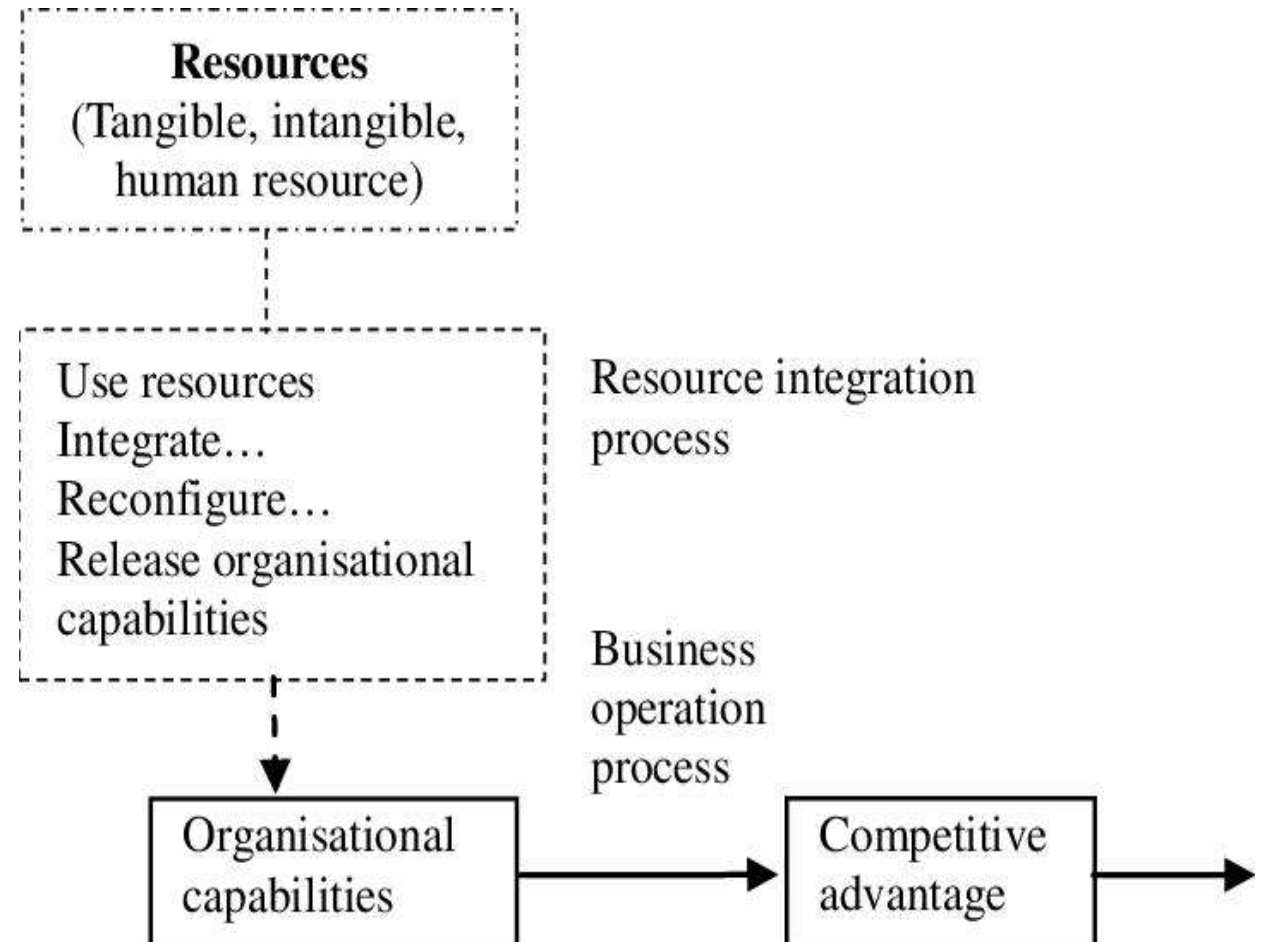
While resources refer to what an organization owns, capabilities refer to what the organization can do. More specifically, capabilities refer to the firm's ability to bundle, manage, or otherwise exploit resources in a manner that provides value added and, hopefully, advantage over competitors.

Resources and capabilities: the key issues



Resources and Capabilities in relation to competitive advantage:

The Links Among Resources, Capabilities and Competitive Advantage in NOCs. The competitive advantage of an organisation arises from the resources and capabilities that are in place within the organisation. Competitive advantage leads to strategic success and a lack of it leads to a lack of success.



| RESOURCES | CAPABILITIES |
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| <p data-bbox="792 164 978 201"><u>Definition:</u></p> <p data-bbox="537 211 1233 391">An asset or input to production that an organization owns, controls, or has access to on a semi-permanent basis (Helfat & Peteraf, 2003)</p> <p data-bbox="800 515 919 552"><u>Types:</u></p> <div data-bbox="537 596 861 1105" style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 10px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p data-bbox="631 625 784 662">Tangible</p> <p data-bbox="596 711 820 791">With physical existence</p> <p data-bbox="621 843 794 881"><u>Examples:</u></p> <ul data-bbox="563 891 833 1090" style="list-style-type: none"> • property • plant • equipment • financial assets • IT systems </div> <div data-bbox="894 596 1243 1105" style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 10px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p data-bbox="988 625 1166 662">Intangible</p> <p data-bbox="952 711 1207 791">Without physical existence</p> <p data-bbox="978 843 1151 881"><u>Examples:</u></p> <ul data-bbox="914 891 1233 1090" style="list-style-type: none"> • knowledge • sales orientation • client involvement • reputational capital • leadership skills </div> <p data-bbox="698 1176 1054 1213"><u>Illustrative literature:</u></p> <p data-bbox="537 1223 1215 1260">Gruber et al. (2010); Petrick et al. (1999)</p> | <p data-bbox="1582 164 1768 201"><u>Definition:</u></p> <p data-bbox="1319 211 2033 434">The ability of an organization to perform a coordinated set of tasks, utilizing organizational resources, for the purpose of achieving a particular end result (Helfat & Peteraf, 2003)</p> <p data-bbox="1589 515 1709 552"><u>Types:</u></p> <div data-bbox="1302 596 1625 1105" style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 10px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p data-bbox="1396 625 1574 662">Operational</p> <p data-bbox="1378 711 1592 748">Make a living</p> <p data-bbox="1403 843 1561 881"><u>Examples:</u></p> <ul data-bbox="1335 891 1538 1090" style="list-style-type: none"> • administer • operate • govern • purchase • manufacture </div> <div data-bbox="1658 596 2007 1105" style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 10px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p data-bbox="1778 625 1931 662">Dynamic</p> <p data-bbox="1691 711 2007 791">Alter how to make a living</p> <p data-bbox="1768 843 1926 881"><u>Examples:</u></p> <ul data-bbox="1691 891 1921 1090" style="list-style-type: none"> • orchestrate • adapt • innovate • recognize opportunities </div> <p data-bbox="1498 1176 1854 1213"><u>Illustrative literature:</u></p> <p data-bbox="1421 1223 1921 1260">Gebauer (2011); Teece (2014).</p> |

UNIT-4

Strategic Analysis

Strategic Analysis:

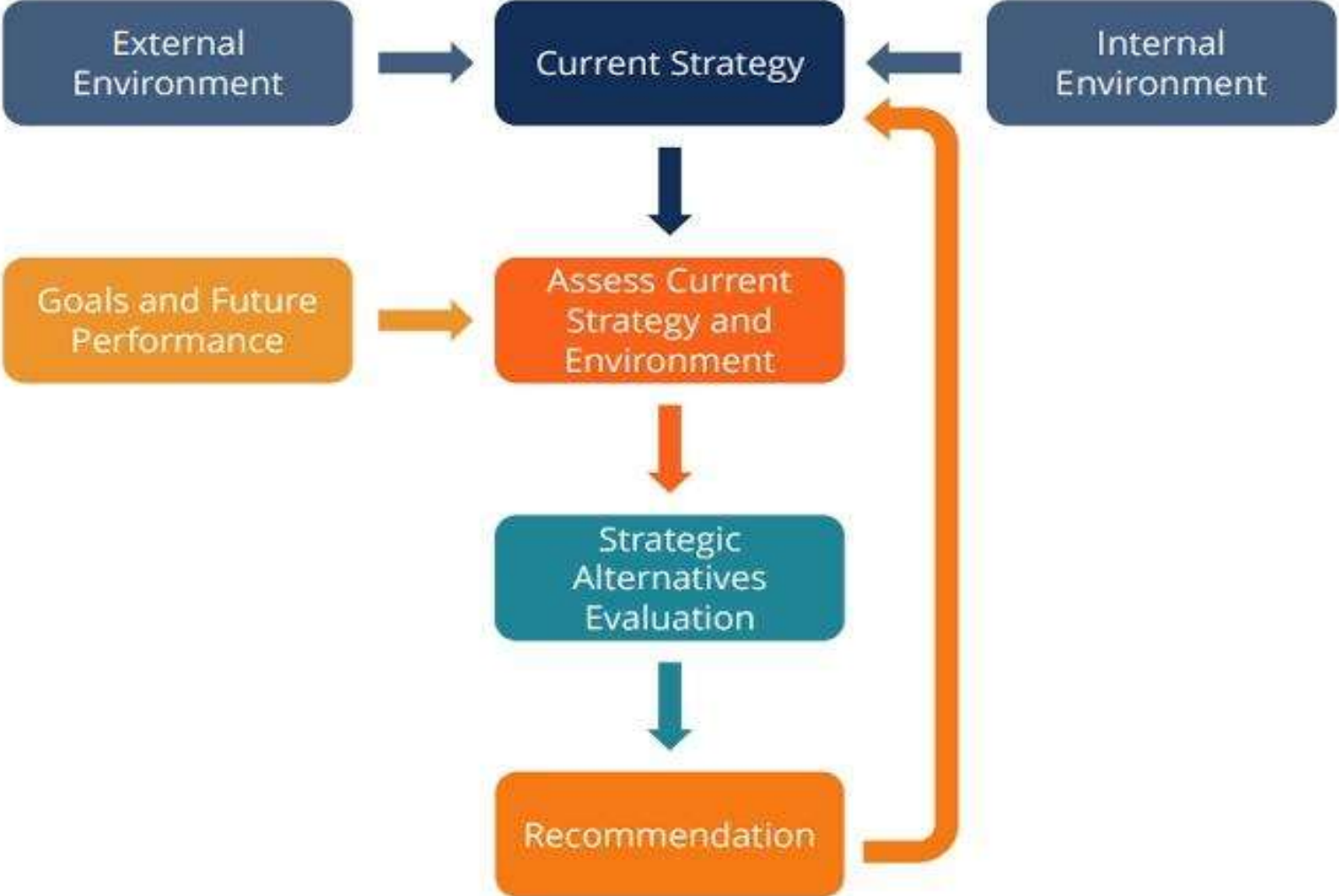
What is Strategic Analysis?

Strategic analysis refers to the process of conducting research on a company and its operating environment to formulate a strategy.

The definition of strategic analysis may differ from an academic or business perspective, but the process involves several common factors:

1. Identifying and evaluating data relevant to the company's strategy.
2. Defining the internal and external environments to be analyzed.
3. Using several analytic methods such as Porter's five forces analysis, SWOT analysis, and value chain analysis.

Levels of strategic analysis:



Tools and Techniques for Strategic analysis:

There are three major tools are used in strategic analysis. They are

- 1.Planning tools
- 2.Tracking tools
- 3.Managing tools



Strategic analysis

- Tools and techniques for strategic analysis
- Corporate portfolio analysis
 - GE nine-cell matrix
 - Corporate parenting analysis
- SWOT analysis
- Experience curve analysis
- Life cycle analysis
- Industry analysis
- Strategic groups analysis
- Competitor analysis

TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES OF STRATEGIC ANALYSIS

- Many techniques are used to assist in the analysis and evaluation of different options (choice) and others can assist in identifying problems in changing the organisation, designing new structures or assisting in resource allocation and control (all elements of implementation).

MOTIVATION

Drivers

- Increase market share by 26% by the end of 2021
- Increase revenue by 5% in 2018
- Reduce cost by 10% in 2018
- Earnings through delivery service constitute 15% of the total revenue
- Reduce the number of employees by 5% by the end of 2010%

ACTIONS

Current strategy

- Single queue system
- Provide delivery service
- Offers products that are relatively cheaper compared to competitors
- Broad differentiation of food categories
- Make the products offering distinct
- Self ordering service

COMPETITOR'S FUTURE STRATEGY

Management assumptions

- Despite controversy, single queue system is applicable (Good meal is worth the wait)
- Customer loyalty is high
- Customer loyalty will remain high
- They can react to changes quickly

Capabilities

- Quick reaction to changes
- Strong financials support
- Solid relationships with ingredients suppliers
- Low correlation with economic cycles

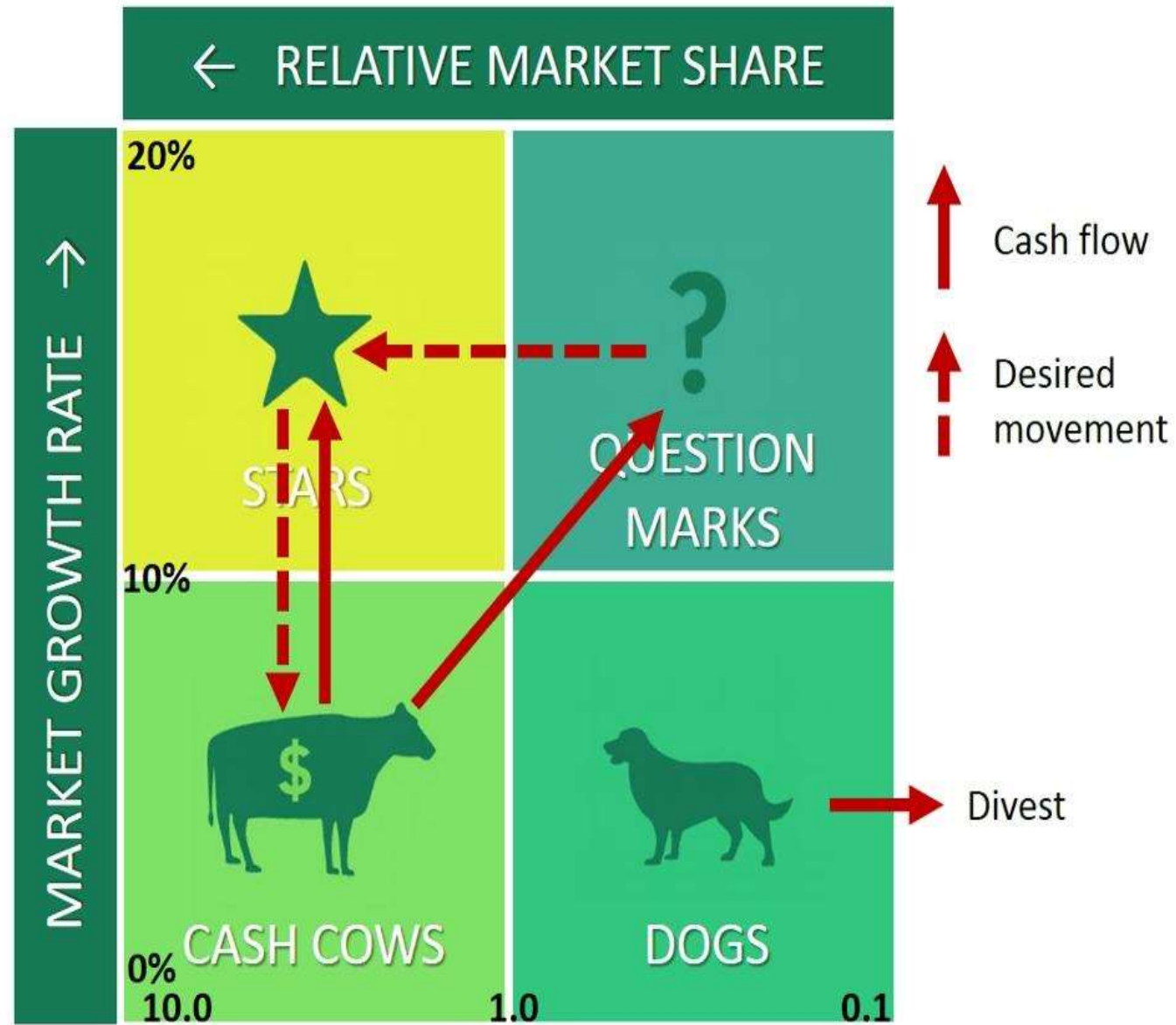
Corporate Portfolio analysis:

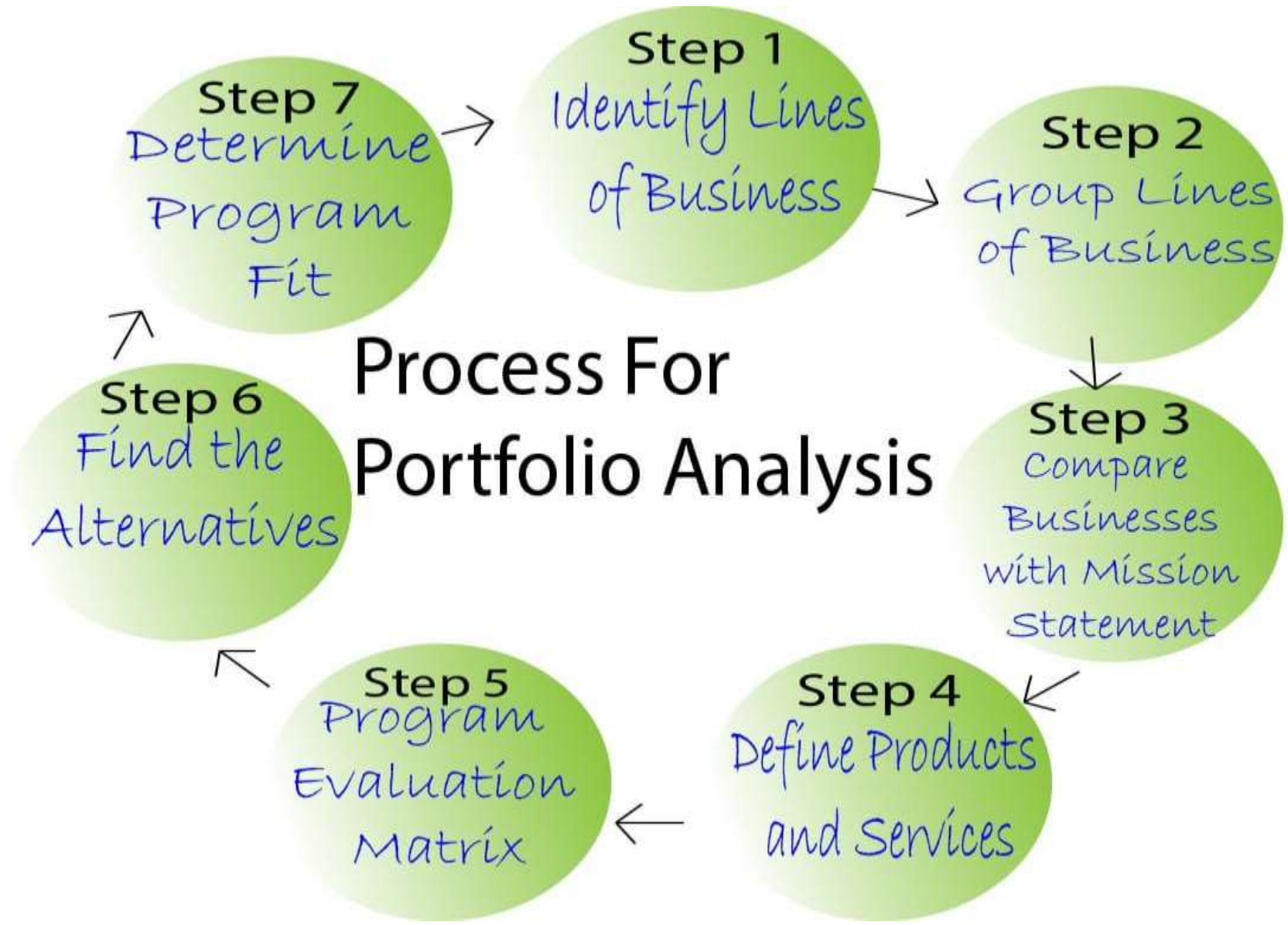
Corporate portfolio analysis is a set of techniques that help strategists in taking strategic decisions regarding individual products or businesses in a firm's portfolio.

Each segment of a company's product line is evaluated including sales, market share, cost of production and potential market strength.

Techniques;

- BCG (Boston Consulting Group) Matrix
- GE (General Electric's 9 cell) model
- Hofer's Product Market Evolution
- Directional Policy & the strategic position





Strength, Weakness, Opportunity, and Threat (SWOT) Analysis:

What Is SWOT Analysis?

SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats) analysis is a framework used to evaluate a [company's competitive position](#) and to develop strategic planning. SWOT analysis assesses internal and external factors, as well as current and future potential.

A SWOT analysis is designed to facilitate a realistic, fact-based, data-driven look at the strengths and weaknesses of an organization, initiatives, or within its industry. The organization needs to keep the analysis accurate by avoiding pre-conceived beliefs or gray areas and instead focusing on real-life contexts. Companies should use it as a guide and not necessarily as a prescription.

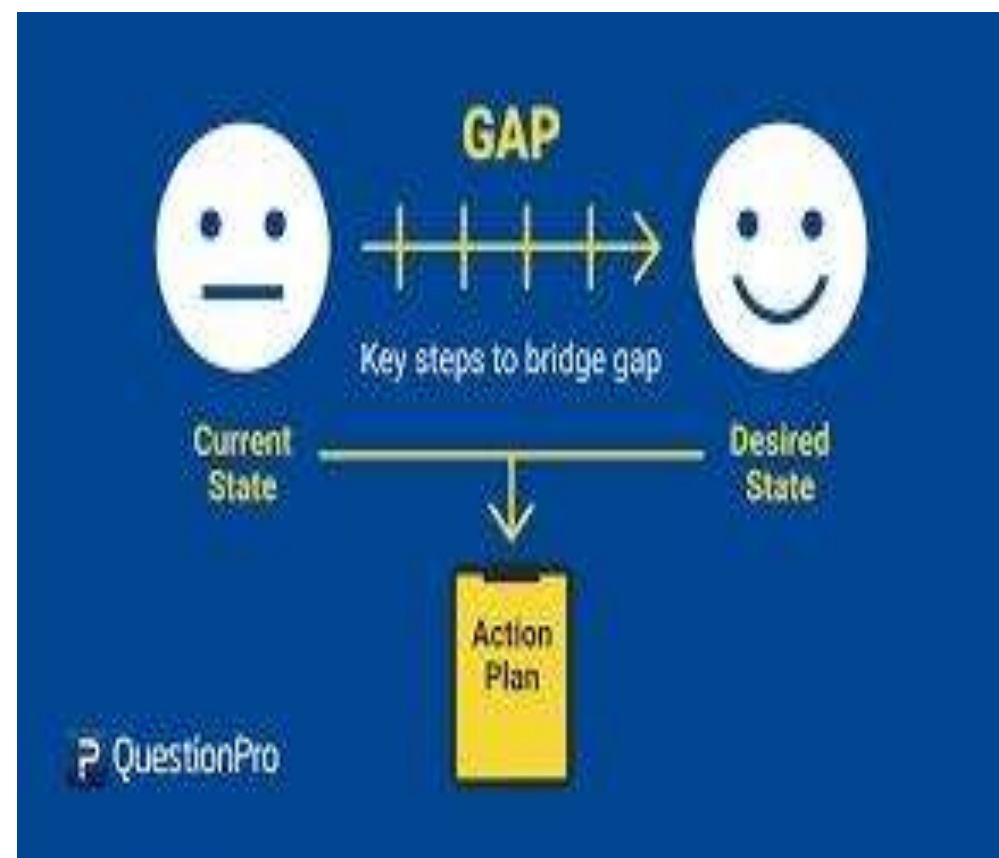


Gap Analysis:

What Is Strategic Gap Analysis?

Strategic gap analysis is a business management technique that requires an evaluation of the difference between a business endeavor's best possible outcome and the actual outcome. It includes recommendations on steps that can be taken to close the gap.

Strategic [gap analysis](#) aims to determine what specific steps a company can take to achieve a particular goal. A range of factors including the time frame, management performance, and budget constraints are looked at critically in order to identify shortcomings.



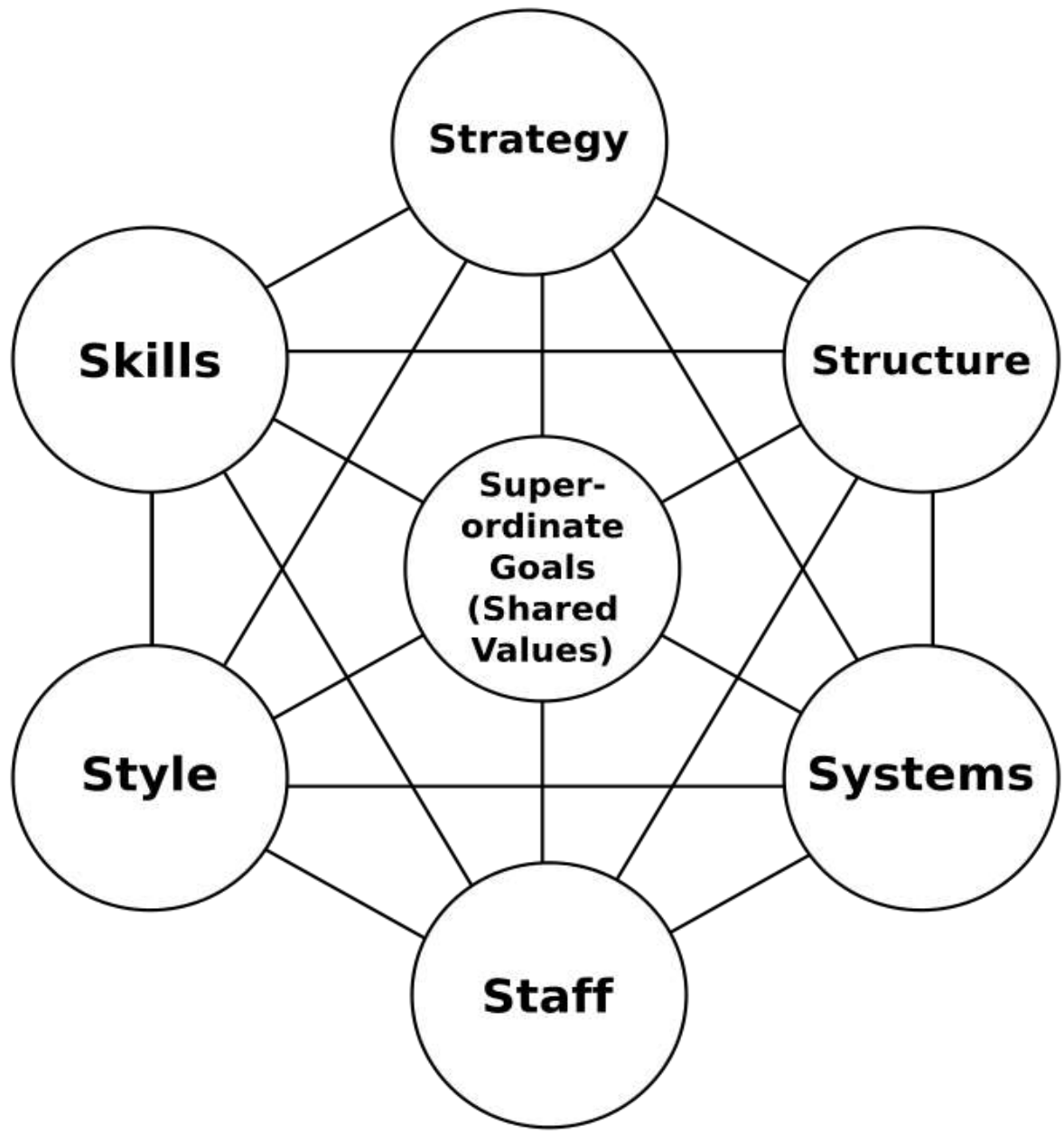
Steps in GAP Analysis:



McKinsey's 7s Framework:

The **McKinsey 7S Framework** is a management model developed by business consultants Robert H. Waterman, Jr. and Tom Peters (who also developed the MBWA-- "Management By Walking Around" motif, and authored *In Search of Excellence*) in the 1980s. This was a strategic vision for groups, to include businesses, business units, and teams. The 7 S's are structure, strategy, systems, skills, style, staff and shared values.

The model is most often used as an organizational analysis tool to assess and monitor changes in the internal situation of an organization. The model is based on the theory that, for an organization to perform well, these seven elements need to be aligned and mutually reinforcing.

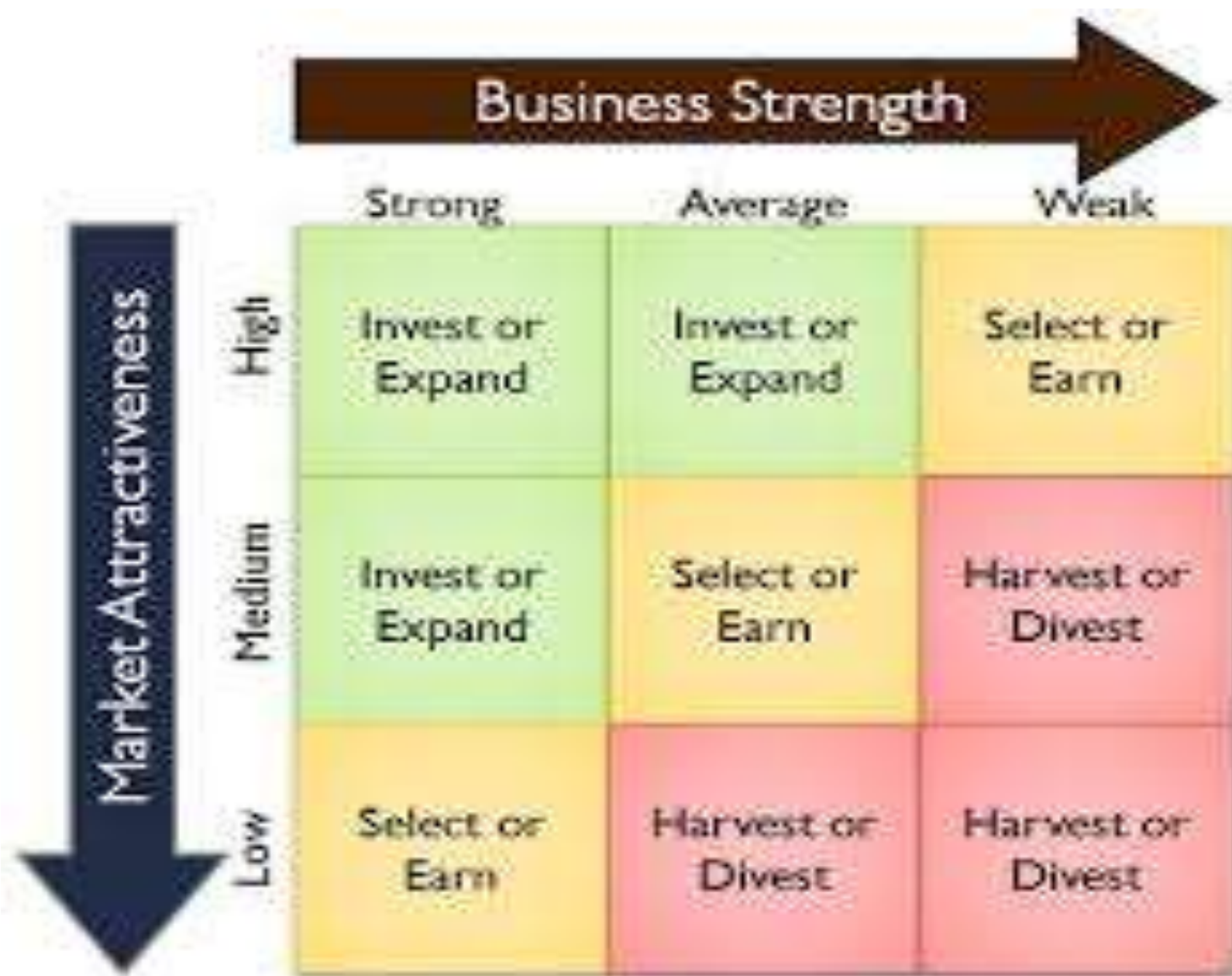


GE 9 Cell Model:

- The GE McKinsey Matrix is a useful tool for strategic planning.
- Organizations use the GE 9 Cell Matrix to determine their position in the market and then analyze strategies for growth.
- Developed by McKinsey for its client GE, the GE McKinsey Matrix helps business strategists analyze three factors: products and markets, competitors and organizational structure.

GE Nine Cell Matrix

| Industry Attractiveness | Business Unit Strength | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Strong | Average | Weak |
| High | <i>Grow</i> | <i>Grow</i> | <i>Hold</i> |
| Medium | <i>Grow</i> | <i>Hold</i> | <i>Harvest</i> |
| Low | <i>Hold</i> | <i>Harvest</i> | <i>Harvest</i> |



Distinctive Competitiveness:

Meaning:

Distinctive Competence is a set of unique capabilities that certain firms possess allowing them to make inroads into desired markets and to gain advantage over the competition; generally, it is an activity that a firm performs better than its competition. To define a firm's distinctive competence, management must complete an assessment of both internal and external corporate environments. When management finds an internal strength and both meets market needs and gives the firm a comparative advantage in the market place, that strength is the firm's distinctive competence.

Defining and Building Distinctive Competence:

To define a company's distinctive competence, managers often follow a particular process.

1. They identify the strengths and weaknesses in the given marketplace.
2. They analyze specific market needs and look for comparative advantages that they have over the competition.

Strategic Management for Competitive Advantage

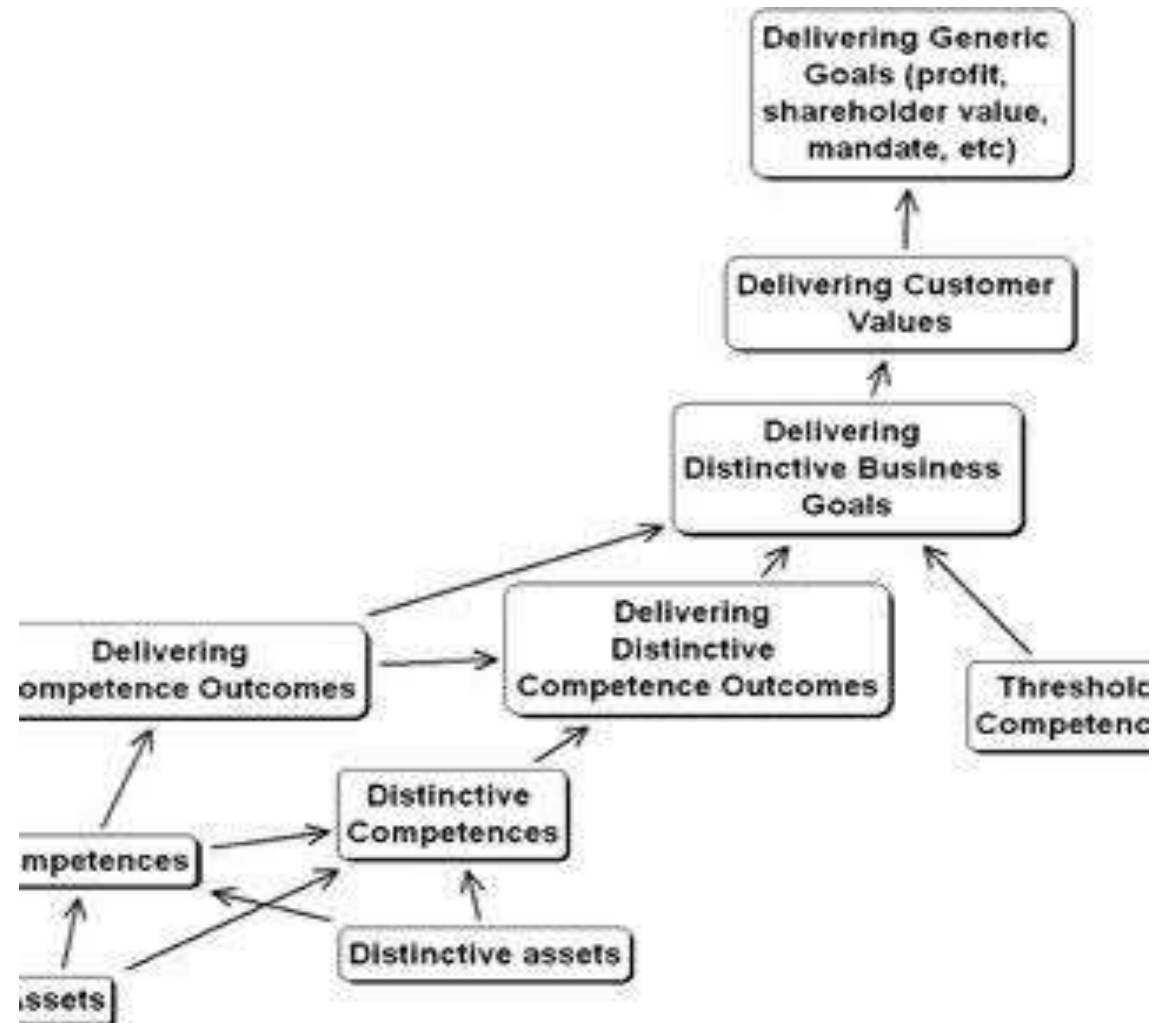
Distinctive Capabilities Framework



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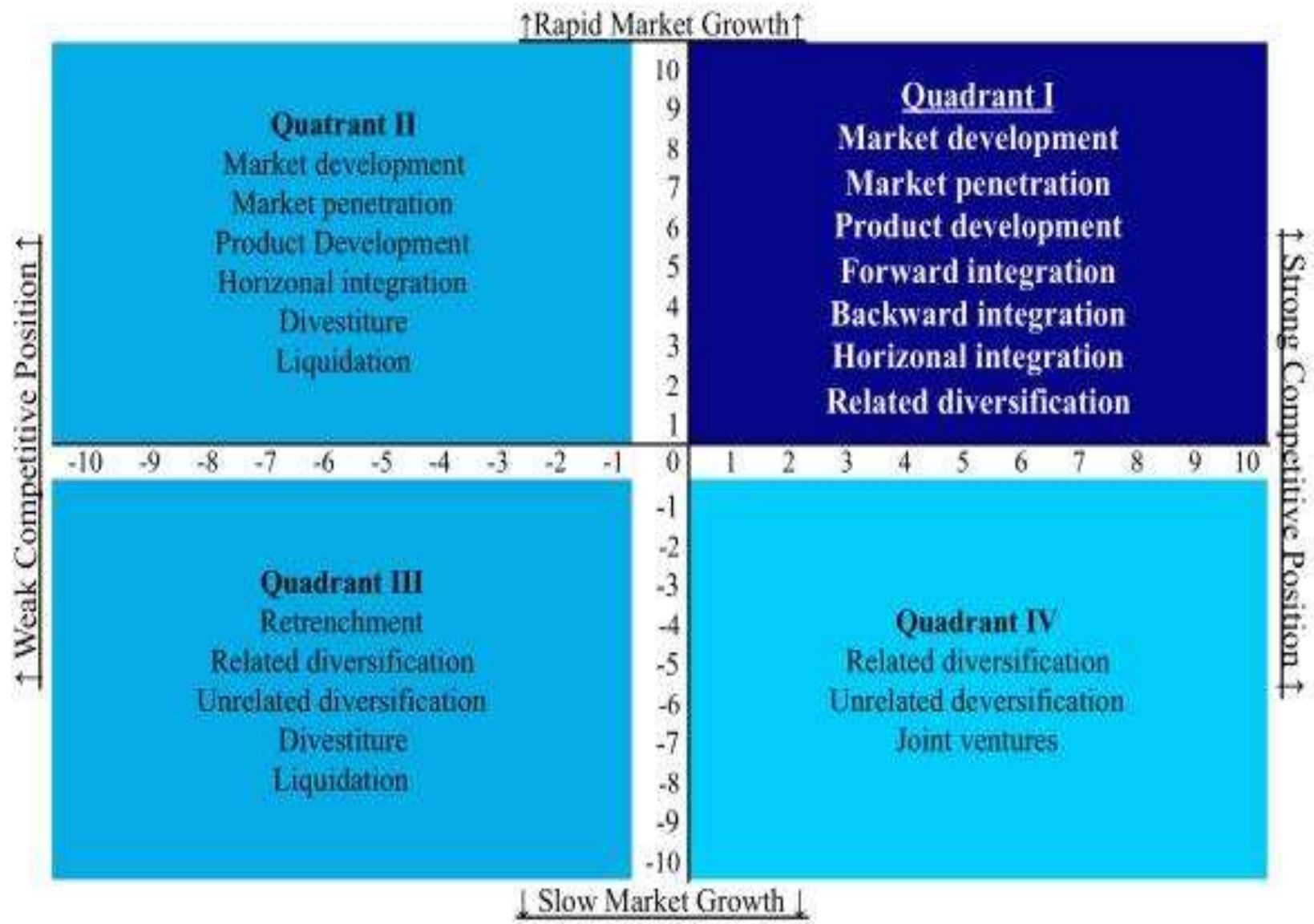
Grand strategy selection matrix:

Defintion:

Grand strategy selection matrix is a popular tool for developing feasible strategies with the help of the [SWOT Analysis](#), [BCG Matrix](#), IE Matrix, and SPACE Matrix. It is also known as the grand strategy matrix. It is the instrument to create alternative and various strategies for the company. This strategy matrix is developed in 2 dimensions: market growth and competitive position. Data required for placing SBUs (Strategic Business Units) in this matrix is got from the portfolio analysis. Grand strategy matrix gives feasible strategies for organizations that are listed in attractiveness's sequential order in the matrix's each quadrant.

The **grand strategy selection matrix** has become a powerful tool in developing alternative strategies for companies. Basically, this strategy matrix is based on 4 crucial elements:

- 1.Rapid Market Growth
- 2.Slow Market Growth
- 3.Strong Competitive Position
- 4.Weak Competitive Position



Balanced Scorecard:

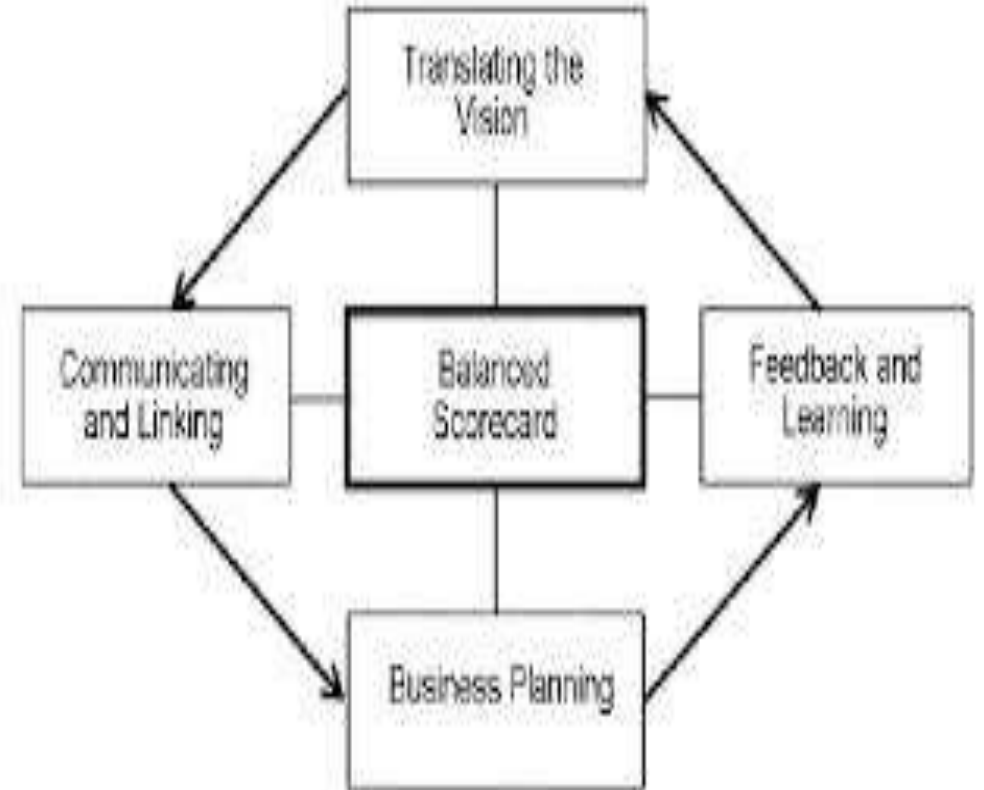
What Is a Balanced Scorecard (BSC)?

The term balanced scorecard (BSC) refers to a [strategic management](#) performance [metric](#) used to identify and improve various internal business functions and their resulting external outcomes. Used to measure and provide feedback to organizations, balanced scorecards are common among companies in the United States, the United Kingdom, Japan, and Europe.

Data collection is crucial to providing quantitative results as managers and executives gather and interpret the information. Company personnel can use this information to make better decisions for the future of their organizations.

The balanced scorecard model reinforces good behavior in an organization by isolating four separate areas that need to be analyzed. These four areas, also called legs, involve:

- Learning and growth
- Business processes
- Customers
- Finance¹



Relationships in the Balanced Scorecard*



* Adapted from Martinsson, Davison & Tse, Fig 1, p. 74. Original source Kaplan & Norton.
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Strategy Implementation and Evaluation

Strategic implementation:

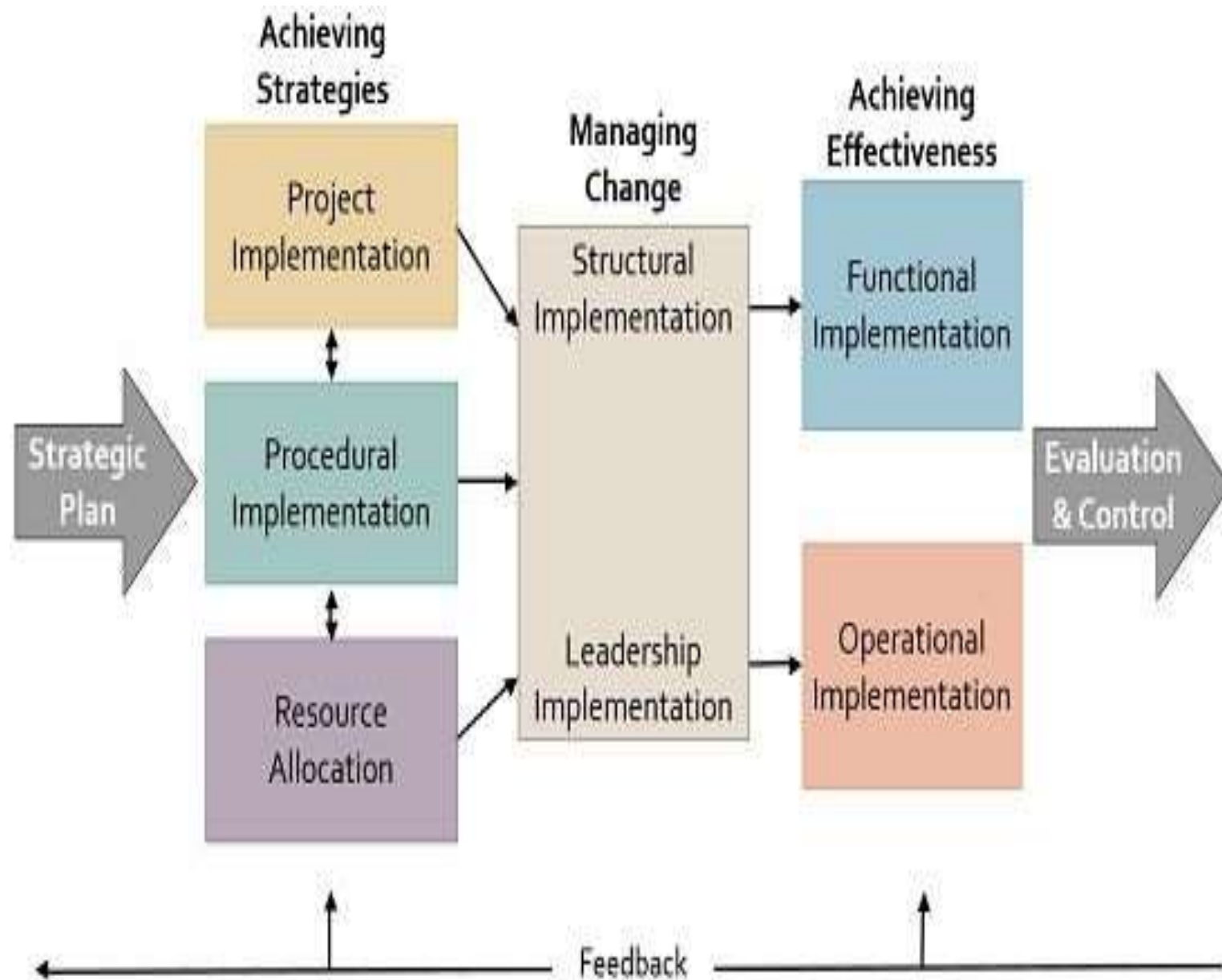
Meaning:

Strategic implementation refers to the process of executing plans and strategies. These processes aim to achieve long-term goals within an organization.

Strategic implementation, in other words, is a technique through which a firm develops. It utilizes and integrates new processes into the structure of an organization.

Process of Strategy Implementation:

- Building an organization, that possess the capability to put the strategies into action successfully.
- Supplying resources, in sufficient quantity, to strategy-essential activities.
- Developing policies which encourage strategy.
- Such policies and programs are employed which helps in continuous improvement.
- Combining the reward structure, for achieving the results.
- Using strategic leadership.



Nature of strategy implementation:

It is possible to turn strategies and plans into individual actions, necessary to produce a great business performance. But it's not easy. Many companies repeatedly fail to truly motivate their people to work with enthusiasm, all together, towards the corporate aims. Most companies and organizations know their businesses, and the strategies required for success. However many corporations - especially large ones - struggle to translate the theory into action plans that will enable the strategy to be successfully implemented and sustained. Here are some leading edge methods for effective strategic corporate implementation. These advanced principles of strategy realization are provided by the very impressive Foresight Leadership organization, and this contribution is gratefully acknowledged.

Most companies have strategies, but according to recent studies, between 70% and 90% of organizations that have formulated strategies fail to execute them.

A Fortune Magazine study has shown that 7 out of 10 CEOs, who fail, do so not because of bad strategy, but because of bad execution.

In another study of Times 1000 companies, 80% of directors said they had the right strategies but only 14% thought they were implementing them well.

THE NATURE OF STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION

- ▶ **Strategy formulation** is positioning forces before the action.
- ▶ **Strategy implementation** is managing forces during the action.
- ▶ **Strategy formulation** focuses on effectiveness.
- ▶ **Strategy implementation** focuses on efficiency.

Strategy Implementation Process:



Models of Strategic implementation resource:



Strategic Allocation:

Resource Allocation

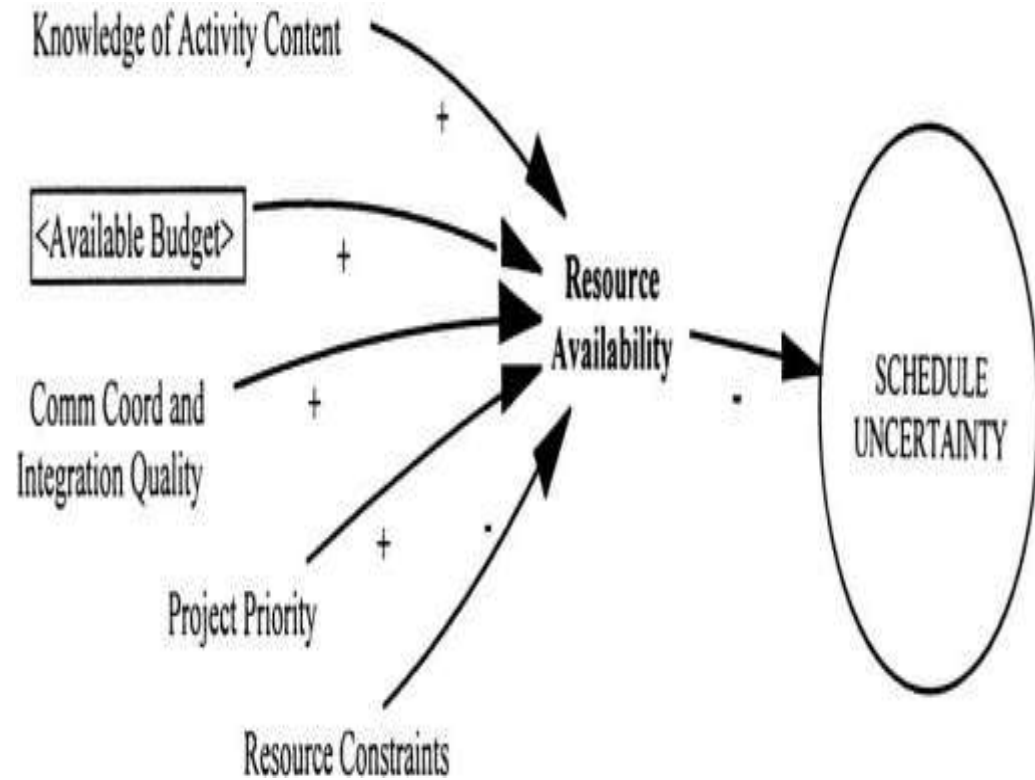
The process of dividing up and distributing available, limited resources to competing, alternative uses that satisfy unlimited wants and needs.

Resource Allocation

❖ Resource Allocation

- ❖ central management activity that allows for strategy execution
- ❖ Strategic management enables resources to be allocated according to priorities established by annual objectives

Factors Affecting Resource Allocation



Factors Affecting Resource Allocation in Health Care

- The uninsured
- Access to health services
- Rationing health care
- *Healthy People 2020*

9.5. Structural Implementation

- Structural implementation considers the vertical and horizontal differentiation, integration of roles and functions, and balancing centralization and decentralization of decisions in organizations with a view to achieve superior performance.
- Vertical differentiation refers to the distribution of decision-making authority resulting in flat or tall structures depending on the span of control and chain of command.
- Horizontal differentiation considers dividing of people and grouping of tasks into functions, divisions, and teams to meet the strategic objectives of the organization.

Structures for Strategies:

Matching Structure with Strategy:

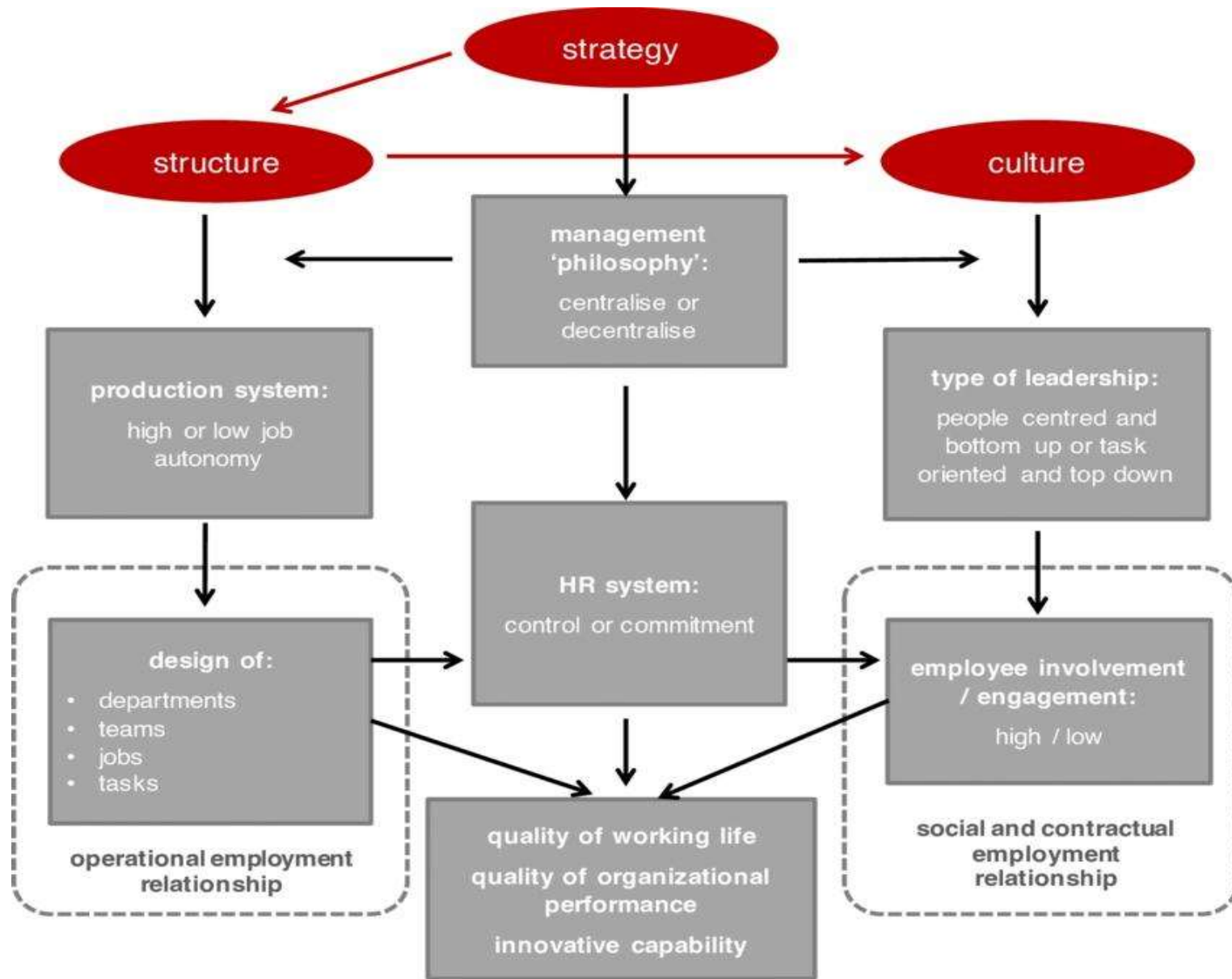
Change in strategy lead to changes in organizational structure.

Reasons for Changing Structure:

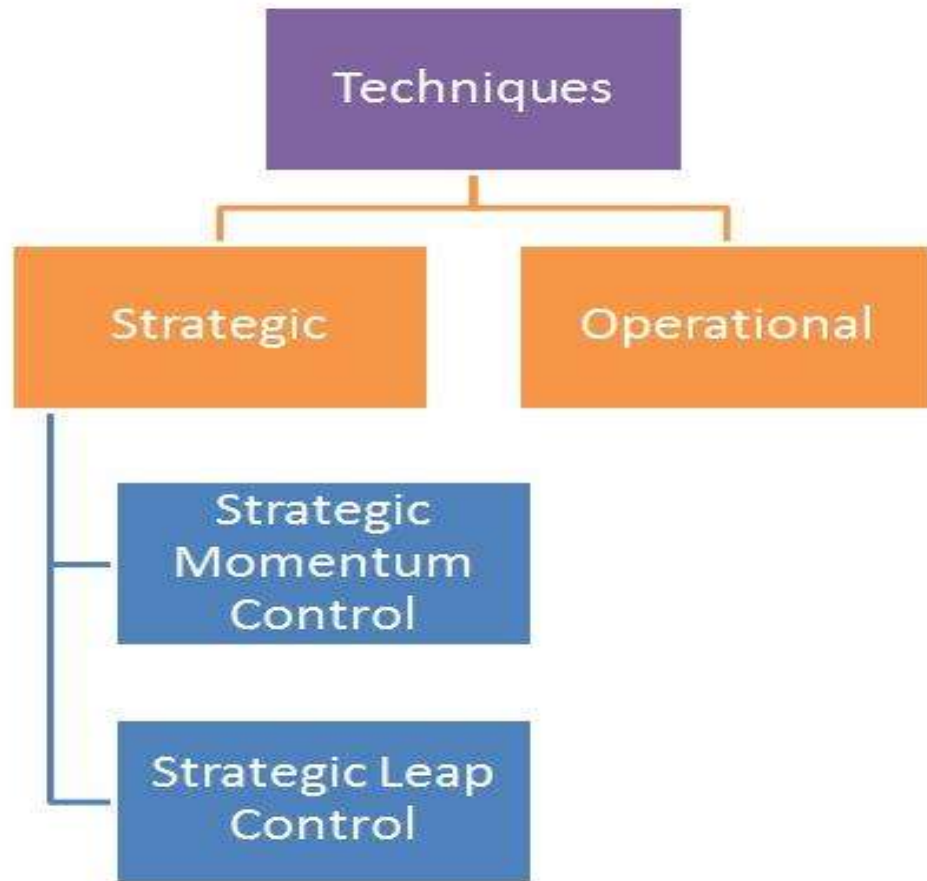
1. Structure dilates how policies & objectives will be established.
2. Structure dilates how resources will be allocated

Example: Customer Groups

- The structure might be suitable only 91 firm.
- Growth of organization leads to changes in structure
- Structure can shape choices of strategies.



Techniques of Strategic Evaluation and Control:



Types of Strategic Control

The types of strategic controls are:

- **Premise control**
- **Implementation control**
- **Strategic surveillance**
- **Special alert control**

Emerging Trends and Analytical Cases:

The top five emerging trends driving the global management consulting services market are as follows:

- Increased strategic partnerships with market research firms
- Growth in technology automation
- Increased online collaboration among stakeholders
- Increase in commoditization of services
- Growth in offshoring

Top five suppliers in the global management consulting services:

- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Deloitte
- McKinsey & Company
- Boston Consulting Group
- Bain and Company

Current Trends in Strategic Management

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- The new external environment of business
- New directions in strategic thinking
- Redesigning the organization
- The changing role of managers