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## MODULE 3: DEMAND

## Demand

- Section A: Demand Management
- Section B: Sources of Demand/Forecasting
- Section C: Forecast Performance

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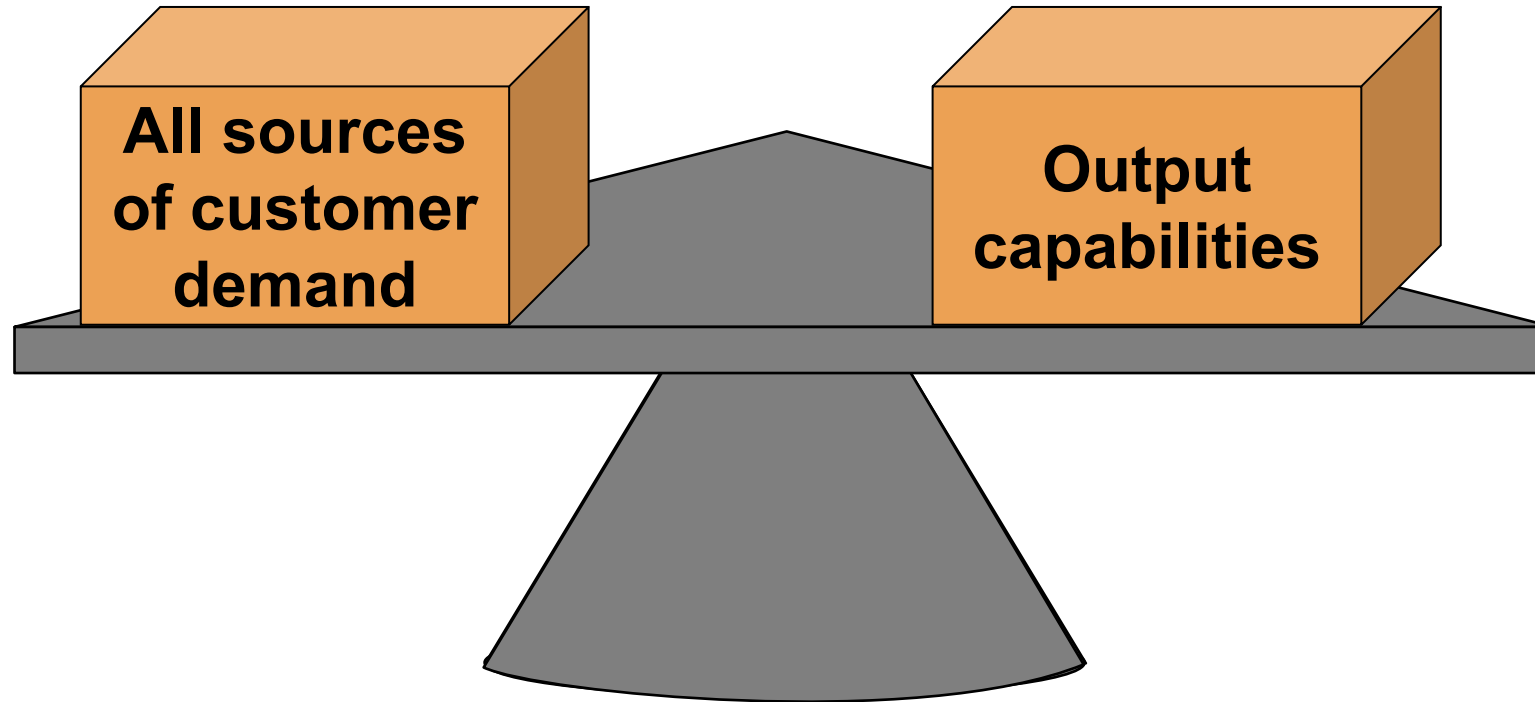
## SECTION A: DEMAND MANAGEMENT

## Section A Learning Objectives

- Demand-side activities in MPC
- Demand planning: planning, communicating, influencing, and prioritizing demand
- Principles of and inputs to demand management
- Seven “rights”
- Customer relationship management
- Setting customer service policies, safety stock levels, and performance targets
- Measuring order delivery performance
- Influencing demand to align with supply
- Marketing promotions and promotion life cycle
- Quality function deployment, voice of the customer, concurrent engineering, modular design, design for manufacturability/maintainability
- Product configuration and changes

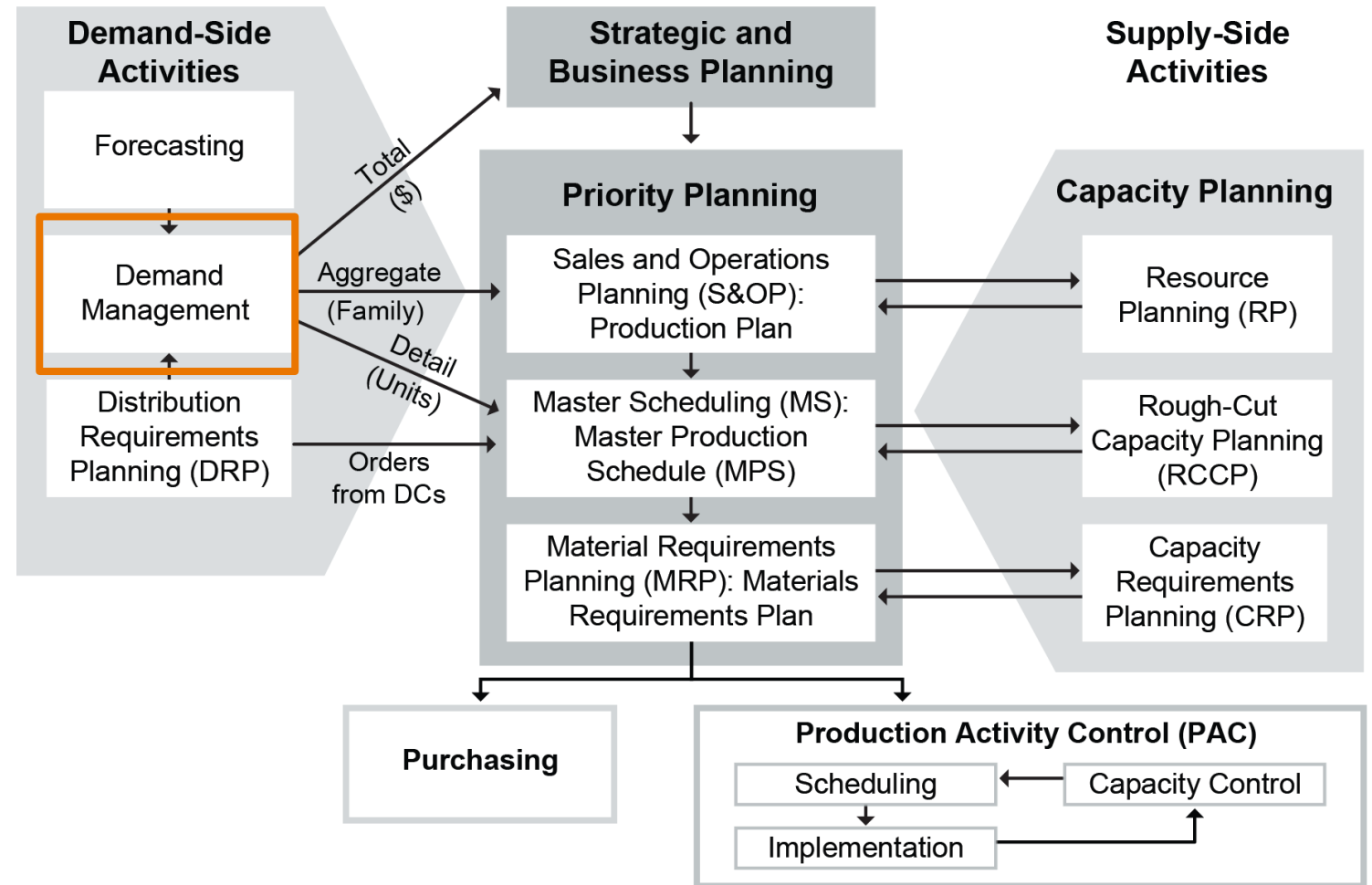
# Topic 1: Demand Management Road Map

## S&OP and Master Scheduling Balance Demand



# Topic 1: Demand Management Road Map

## Demand Management in Manufacturing Planning and Control



# Topic 1: Demand Management Road Map

## Demand Management Activities

- Forecasting
  - Identifying market trends and patterns
- Identifying and reconciling demand sources
  - Customer segments
  - Unmet demands
  - Special requests
  - Items with erratic demand
- Distinguishing
  - Forecast versus manufacturing plans
  - Independent versus dependent demand
- New products/features
- Customer service levels and safety stock
- Order entry
- Communications

# Topic 1: Demand Management Road Map

## Data Reliability

### **Forecasts are**

- Not accurate (prediction)
- More on target the larger the group measured
- Best when used with a forecast error measuring technique
- More accurate the shorter the time period.

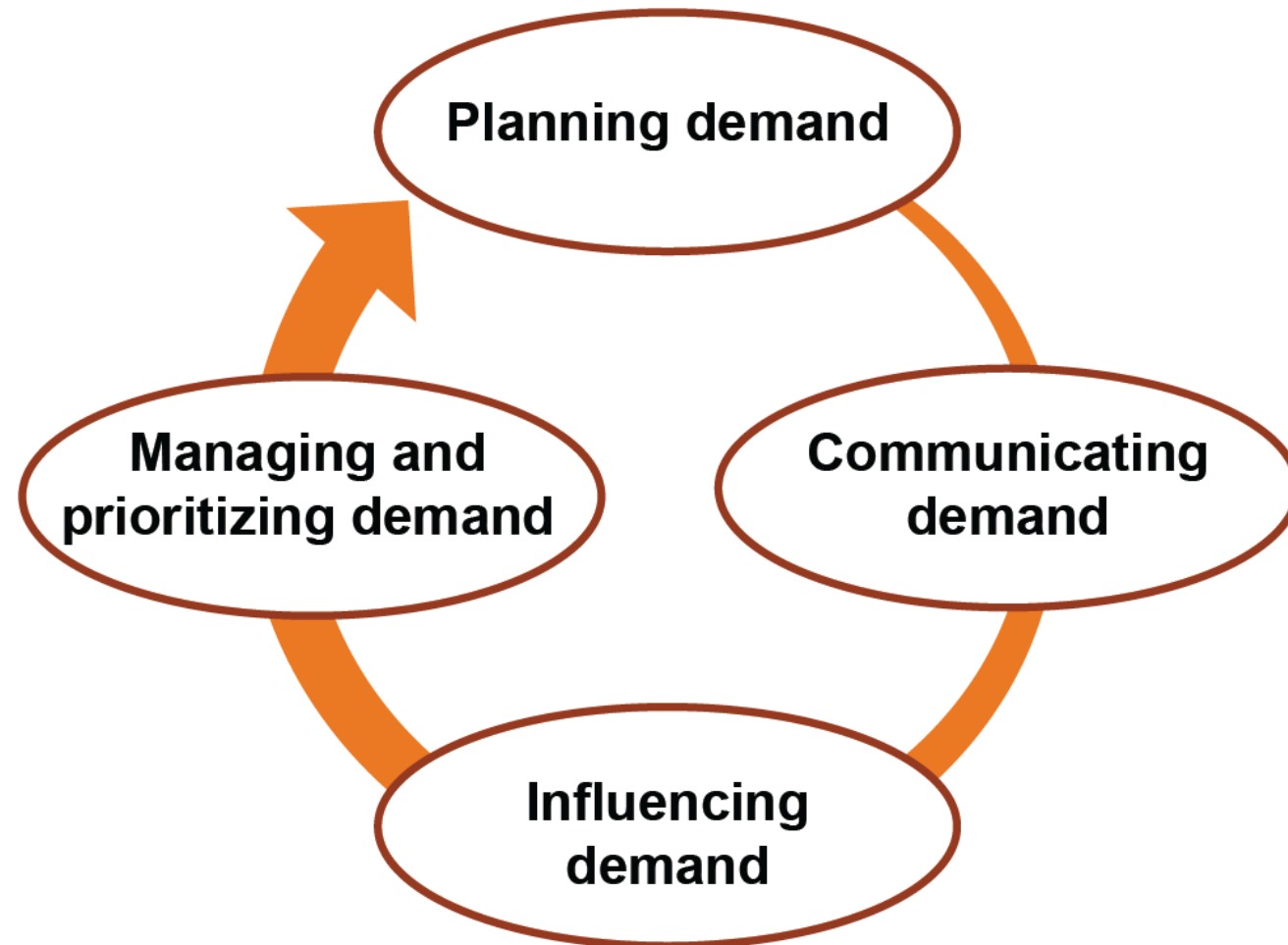
### **Inputs, calculations, and outputs checked for**

- Errors in inputs, e.g., mixed units of measure, gaps, or exceeding minimum or maximum values
- Calculation errors: wrong formula or formula errors
- Unusual or unexpected trends needing investigation



# Topic 1: Demand Management Road Map

## Demand Management Process



# Topic 2: Customer Relationship Management

## The “Rights” of Customer Service

- The customer is always right.
- Customer-oriented organizations balance
  - Customer needs and wants
  - Organization’s strategic and business objectives.

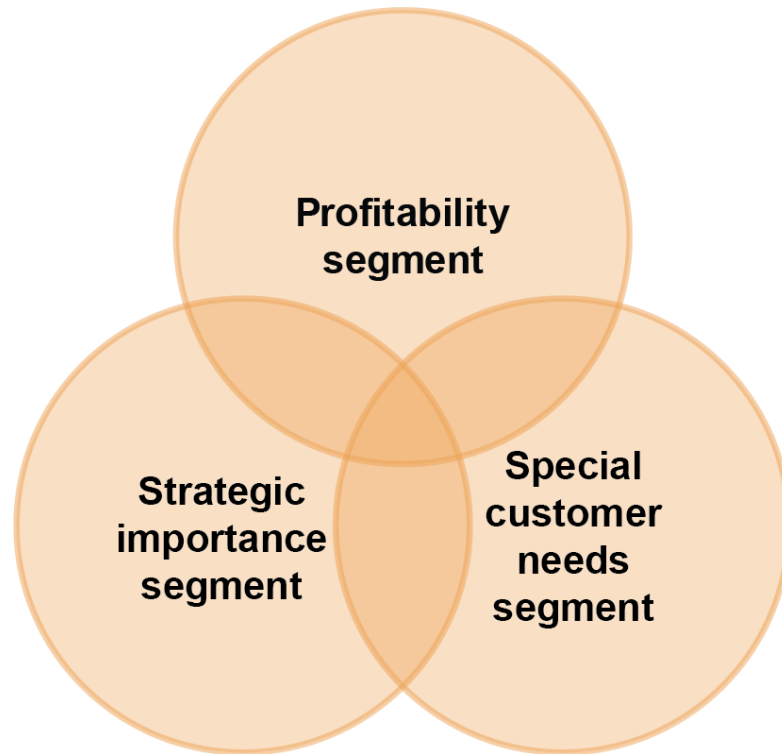
### The seven “rights” of customer service

- Right customers
- Right goods and services
- Right price
- Right quality
- Right quantity
- Right time
- Right place

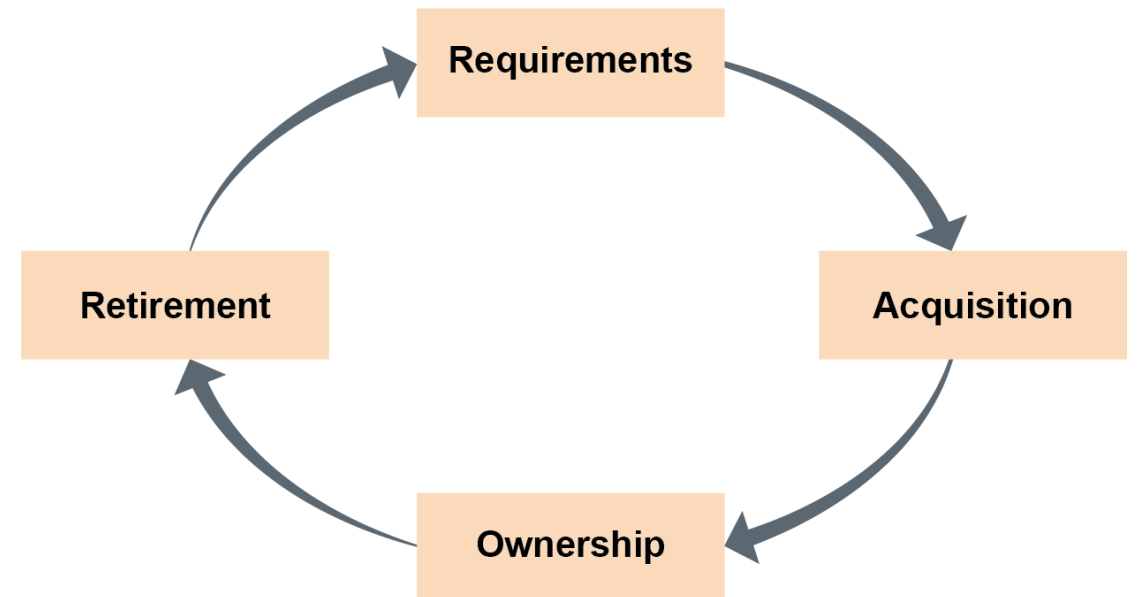
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## CRM: Philosophy of Putting the Customer First

### Criteria for customer segmentation



### Customer service life cycle



# Topic 2: Customer Relationship Management

## Defining Customers and Product-Service Parameters

### Which customer segments?

- Industrial
- Consumer
  - Market segments
- Institutional
- Government

### How will we reach them?

- Sales channels

### What products/services?

- Product positioning
- Number of lines
- Price/market share/profit
- Quality
- Brand name or generic
- Packaging
- Returns policy

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graph TD; A["Which customer segments?<br/>How will we reach them?"] --> B["Manufacturing environment,<br/>process type, and layout choices"]; C["What products/services?"] --> B; C <--> D["Product and<br/>service design"];
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Manufacturing environment,  
process type, and layout choices

Product and  
service design

# Topic 3: Customer Service Methods

## Customer Service

Cycle Steps	Examples of Key Activities
Customer inquiry, order	Request price and availability.
Order entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Check price and inventory available-to-promise.</li><li>▪ Configure as necessary.</li><li>▪ Promise and send order confirmation to customer.</li><li>▪ Create sales order in system.</li><li>▪ Reserve or allocate items to specific sales orders.</li></ul>
Shipping and delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Consolidate and route shipments.</li><li>▪ Prepare pick lists.</li><li>▪ Prepare bills of lading and packing slips.</li><li>▪ Send advance ship notices.</li></ul>
Invoicing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Prepare invoices.</li><li>▪ Transmit electronically or by other means.</li></ul>

# Topic 3: Customer Service Methods

## Order Promising

### **Available-to-promise (ATP)**

- Response to customer order inquiries

### **Capable-to-promise (CTP)**

- Committing orders against available capacity and inventory
- Multiple supply sites
- Uses finite scheduling model
- Considers constraints
- Less expediting needed

### **Abnormal demand**

- Demand in any period that is outside the limits established by management policy

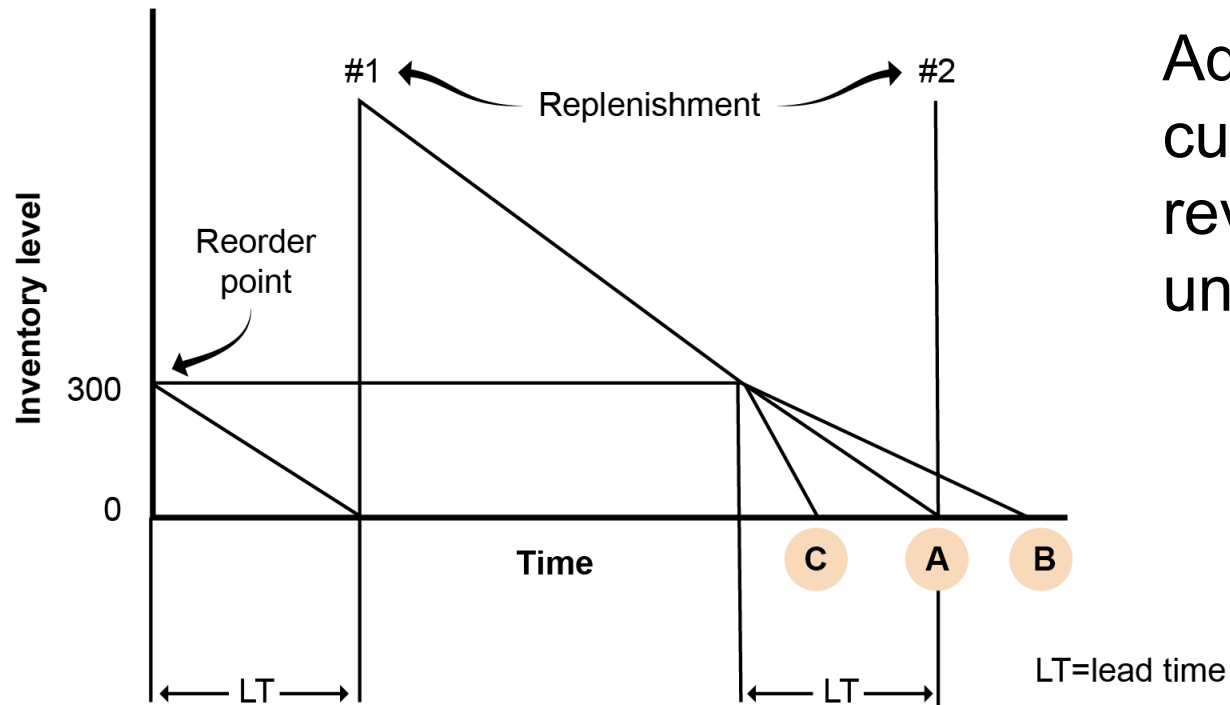
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## Customer Service Policies

- Customer focus
- Service levels
- Performance measurement
- Systems support
- Customer interface
- Culture
- Top management support
- Integration with strategic goals

# Topic 3: Customer Service Methods

## Safety Stock



Additional inventory to prevent customer dissatisfaction and loss of revenue caused by demand and supply uncertainty

Point A: Zero inventory level is reached at replenishment; no stockout.

Point B: Zero inventory level is not reached before replenishment occurs; no stockout.

Point C: Zero inventory level is reached before replenishment; stockout!



# Topic 3: Customer Service Methods

## Internal Communications

### Communication among processes/subprocesses

- S&OP
- CRM
- Master scheduling
- Demand management
- Order management
- Order visibility

### Patterns and preferences

- Purchasing patterns
- Shipping preferences

### Visibility data sources

- Transaction records
- Sales representatives
- Field service representatives
- Market intelligence

# Topic 3: Customer Service Methods

## Differences in Communications by Environment

	MTO/ETO	ATO	MTS
<b>S&amp;OP</b>	Engineering detail and demand forecasts	Product family mix and demand forecasts	Demand forecasts
<b>MPS</b>	Final configurations	Actual demand and mix forecasts	Actual demand
<b>Customers</b>	Delivery date and design status	Delivery date and configuration issues	Next inventory replenishment

# Topic 4: Customer Metrics

## Customer Value and Service Metrics

### **Satisfaction rankings**

- Most common tool used to measure customer satisfaction is surveys.

### **Lifetime customer value**

- Decrease marketing cost.
- Easier to satisfy over time.
- Opportunity for additional revenue and profit.

### **Service levels by segment**

- Level of service and organizational commitment to attaining that level varies by segment.

# Topic 4: Customer Metrics

## Order Delivery Performance Metrics

### Additional metrics

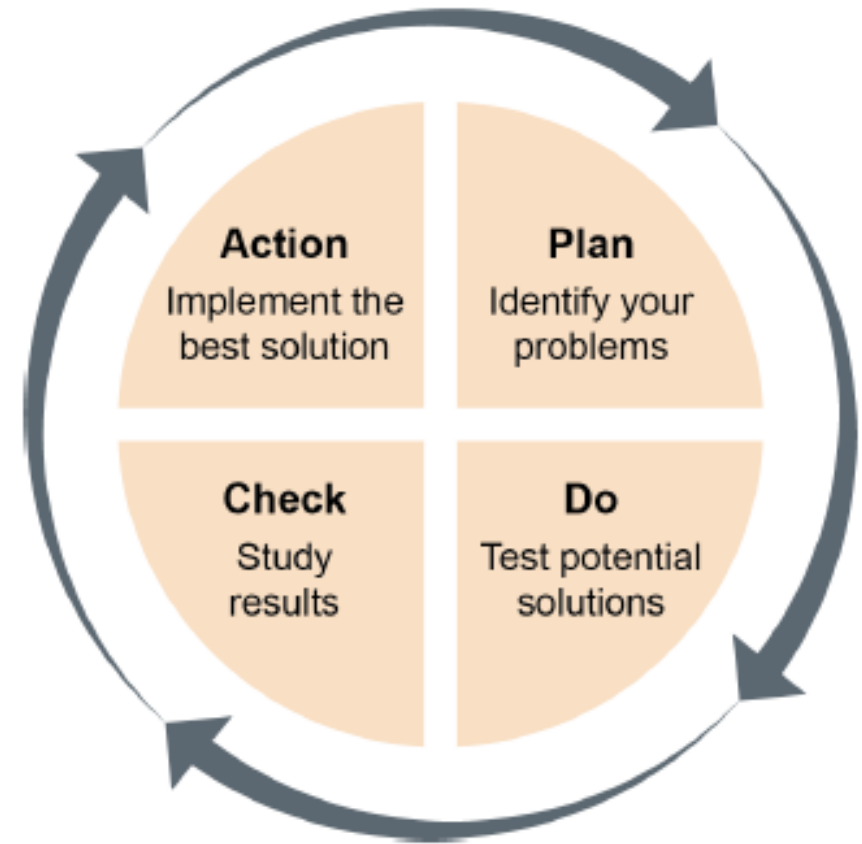
- Manufacturing or retail environment impact on delivery performance
- Cash-to-cash cycle time
- Return on supply chain fixed assets

Attribute	Metrics
Reliability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Perfect order fulfillment</li><li>▪ Delivered on time</li><li>▪ Delivered in full</li><li>▪ Correct condition</li><li>▪ Correct place</li></ul>
Responsiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Order fulfillment cycle time</li><li>▪ Order entry time</li><li>▪ Dwell time for future dated orders</li><li>▪ Make, distribute, transport time</li></ul>
Agility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Upside supply chain flexibility</li><li>▪ Upside supply chain adaptability</li><li>▪ Downside supply chain adaptability</li><li>▪ Overall value at risk</li></ul>
Cost	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Supply chain management cost</li><li>▪ Total cost to serve</li></ul>

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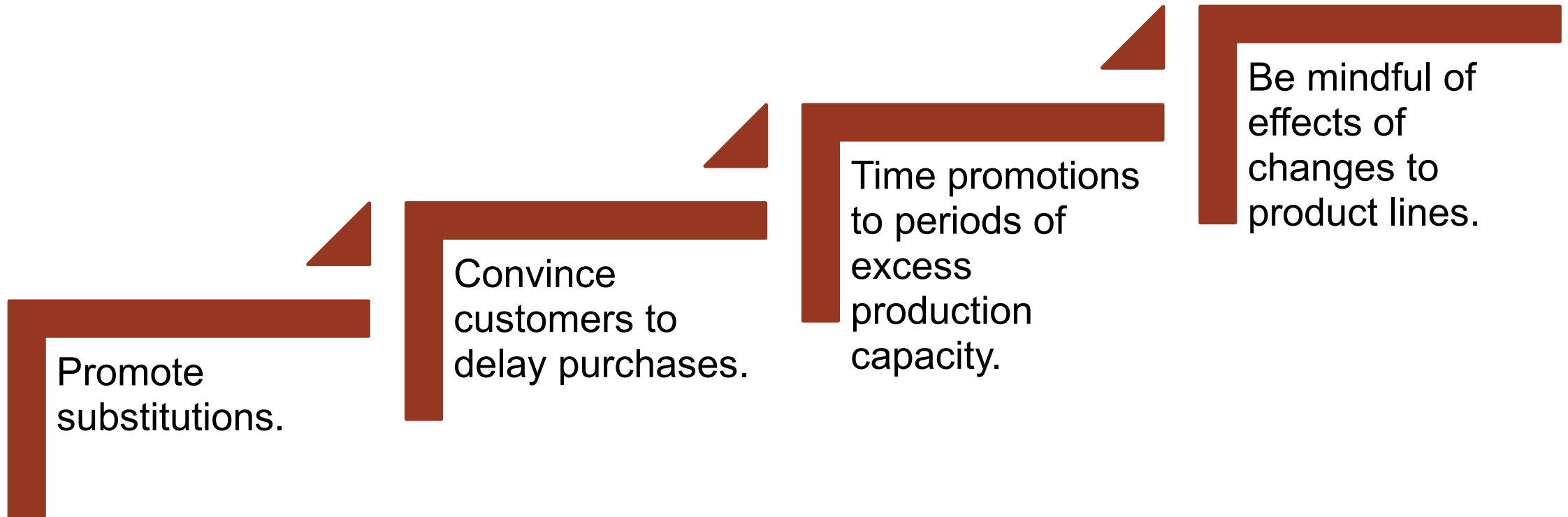
## Using PDCA for Planning and Influencing Demand

- **Plan**
  - Develop budget, schedule, tasks, and targets.
- **Do**
  - Launch, manage, and retire products.
- **Check**
  - Review and analyze performance.
- **Action**
  - Address variances, replan.



# Topic 5: Influencing Demand and Product Designs

## Prioritizing Demand



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## Influencing Product Designs

### Quality function deployment

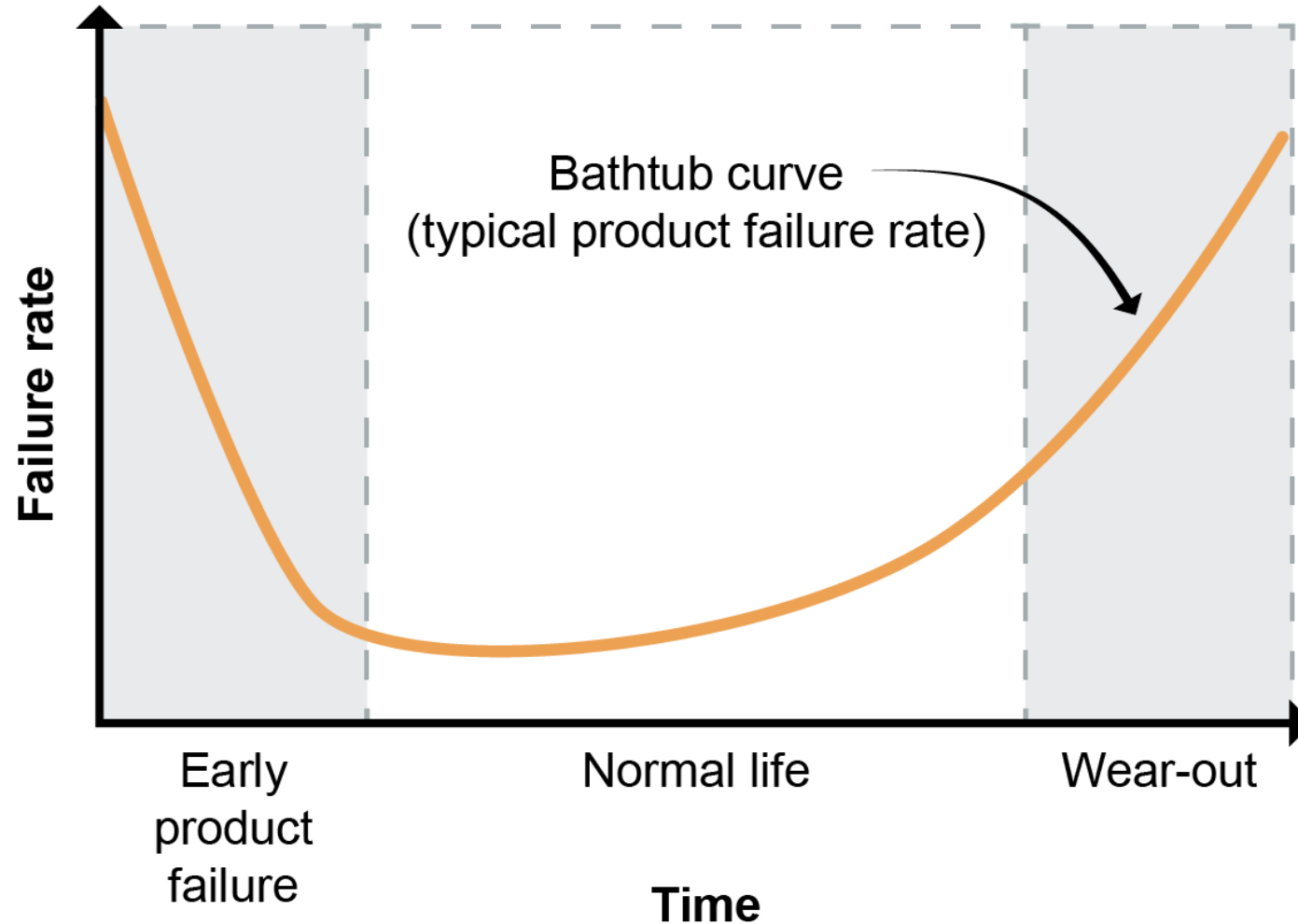
- Capture the voice of the customer.
- Use multidisciplinary teams.
- Improve planning.

### Participative design/engineering (concurrent engineering)

- Meet internal/external customer needs.
- Consider all inputs together for fewer product/process design changes.
- Compress time from concept to introduction.
- Prevent quality and reliability problems.
- Reduce cost.

# Topic 5: Influencing Demand and Product Designs

## Bathtub Curve





# Topic 5: Influencing Demand and Product Designs

## Design for Manufacturability and Maintainability

### Tradeoffs

- Reliability vs. maintainability
- Modular vs. nonmodular construction
- Repair vs. disposal
- Built-in vs. external test equipment
- Person vs. machine



# Topic 5: Influencing Demand and Product Designs

## Identifying Engineering Changes

Type of Change	Product Issue/Reason for Change	Action Required
Mandatory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Failure to function</li><li>▪ Safety issue</li><li>▪ Legal compliance</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Immediate</li><li>▪ Engineering change notice</li><li>▪ Design review board process</li></ul>
Phased-in/ optional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Product improvement or correction</li><li>▪ Customer request</li><li>▪ Cost reduction</li><li>▪ Process improvement</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Phase-out or modification of existing products</li><li>▪ Review of options for effectivity date</li><li>▪ Engineering change notice</li><li>▪ Design review board process</li></ul>

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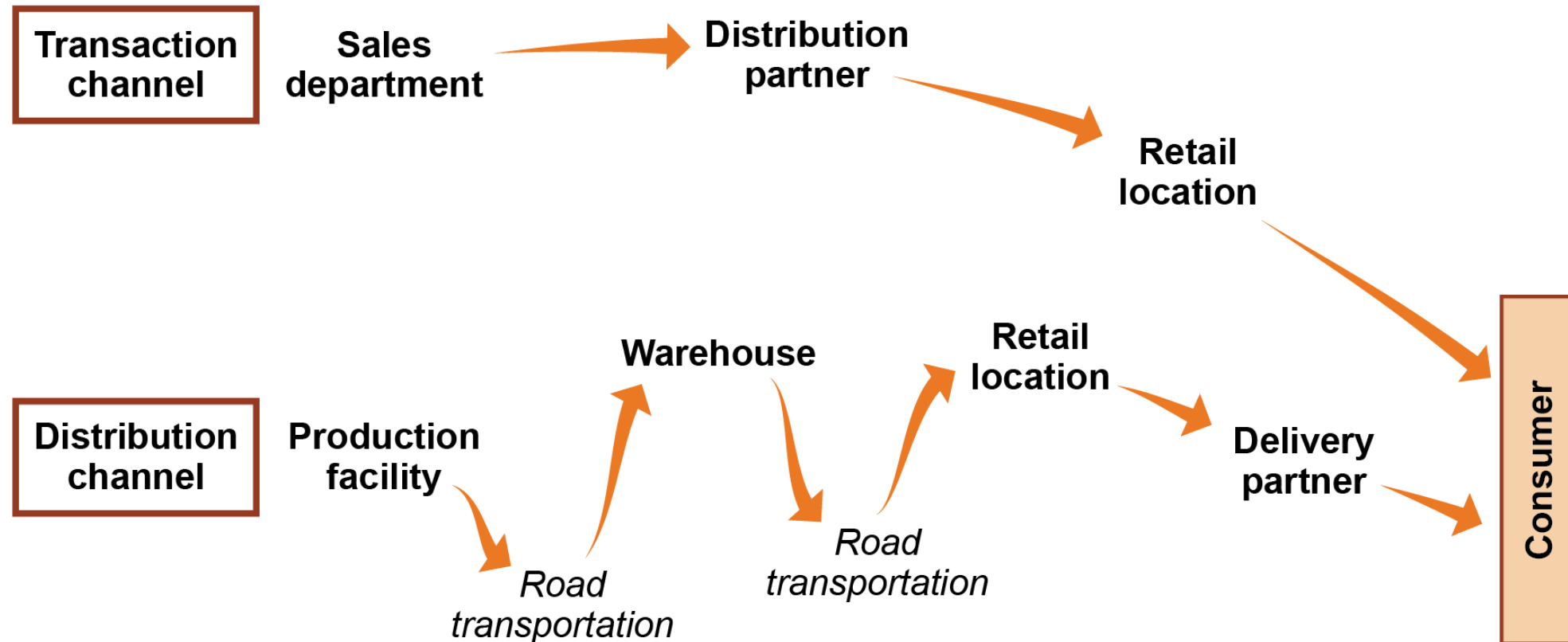
## SECTION B: SOURCES OF DEMAND/ FORECASTING

## Section B Learning Objectives

- Sources of demand in master scheduling, including B2B and B2C
- Direct/internal; exclusive and select; and complex distribution channels
- Dependent and independent demand
- Key forecasting principles
- Forecast horizon and interval
- Forecasting process
- Qualitative and quantitative (extrinsic and intrinsic) forecasting methods
- Forecasting method pros and cons and selection criteria

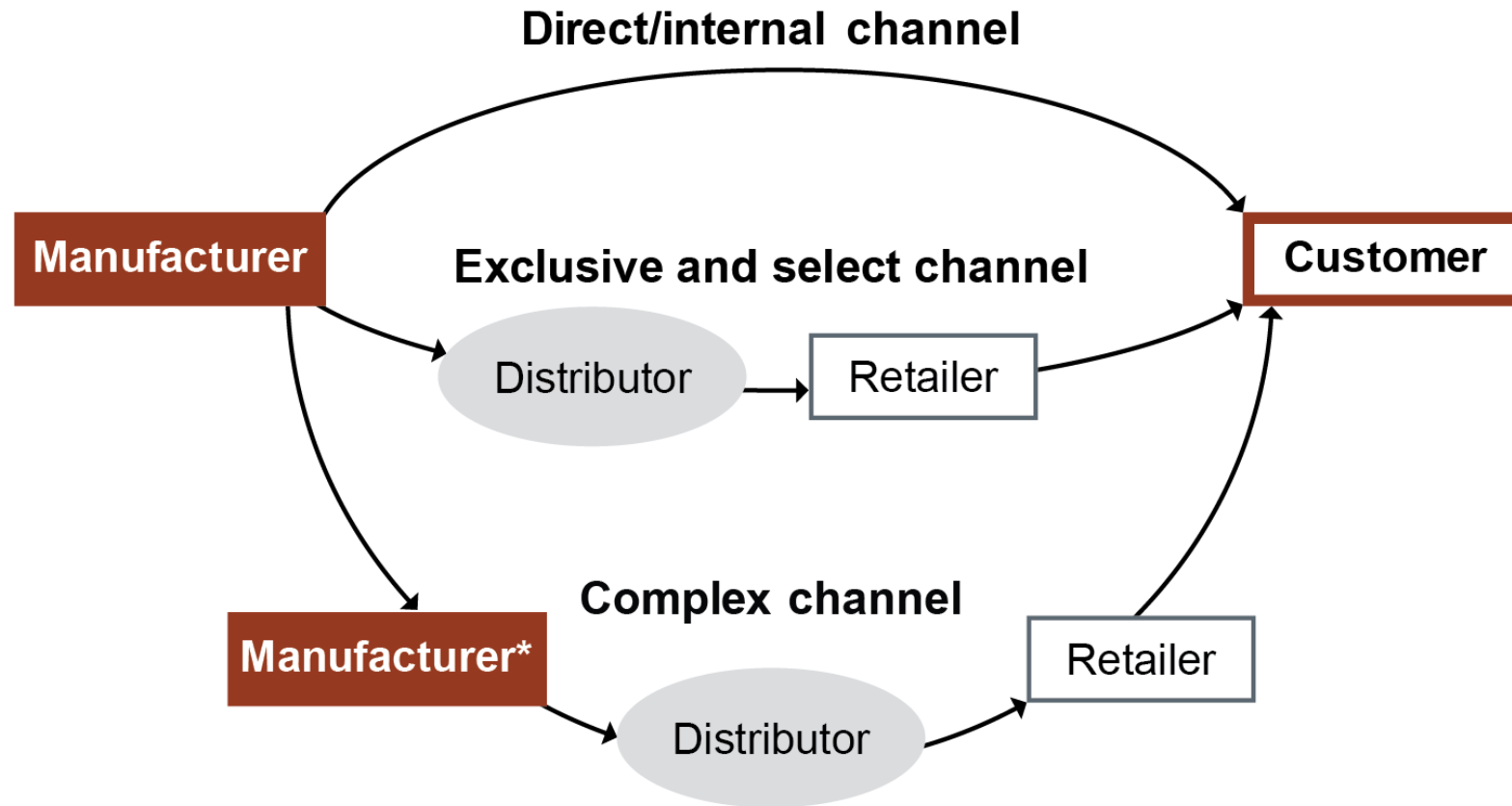
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## Distribution and Transaction Channels



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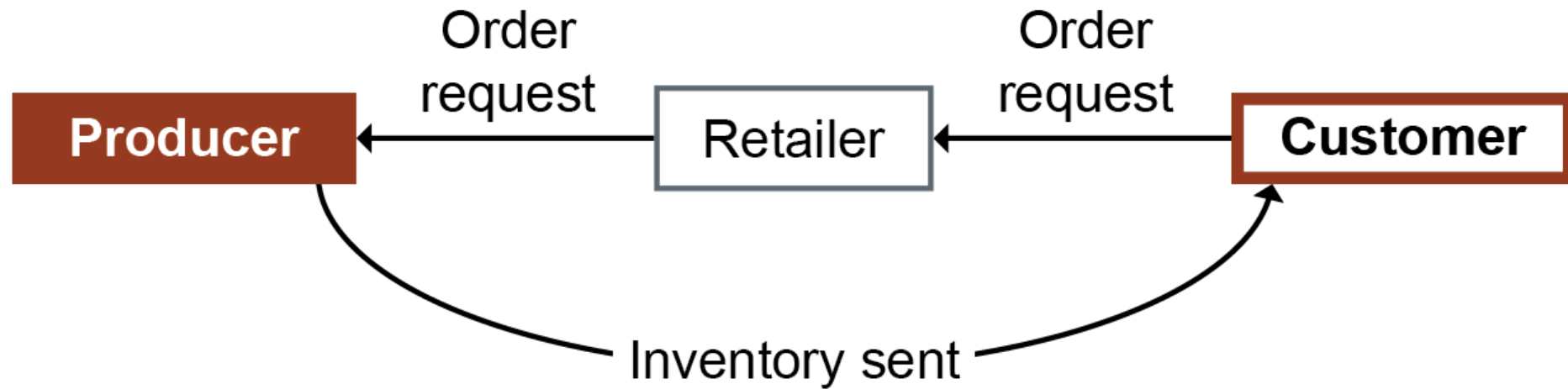
## Distribution Channels



\* Regional distribution centers owned by manufacturer

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## Producer Storage with Drop Ship



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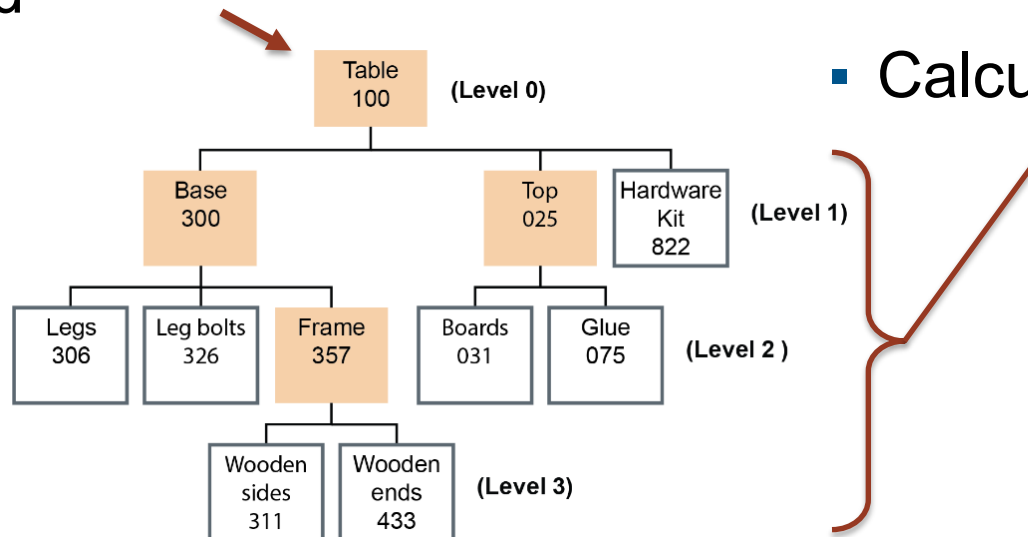
## Dependent versus Independent Demand

### Independent

- Demand for an item unrelated to the demand for other items
- Forecasted

### Dependent

- Demand that is directly related to or derived from bill-of-material structure for other items or end products
- Calculated, not forecasted





# Topic 1: Demand Channels and Sources

## Item Forecasts: Sources of Forecast Data

Source	Demand Inputs
Demand management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Channel family-level forecasts disaggregated to mix level, then end-item level at lowest level stocking points.</li><li>▪ Item forecasts for lowest level stocking points (using time series analysis, etc.) rolled up regionally to systemwide total for master scheduling.</li></ul>
Sales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Sales force estimates for inventory storage locations.</li><li>▪ Replenishment needs for vendor-managed inventory.</li></ul>
Marketing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Promotions that will cause demand spikes.</li></ul>
CRM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Customer orders pending release to supplier.</li><li>▪ Changes in ordering patterns.</li></ul>
DCs and customers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Reports of special events that will cause demand spikes.</li><li>▪ Recent anomalous purchases.</li></ul>

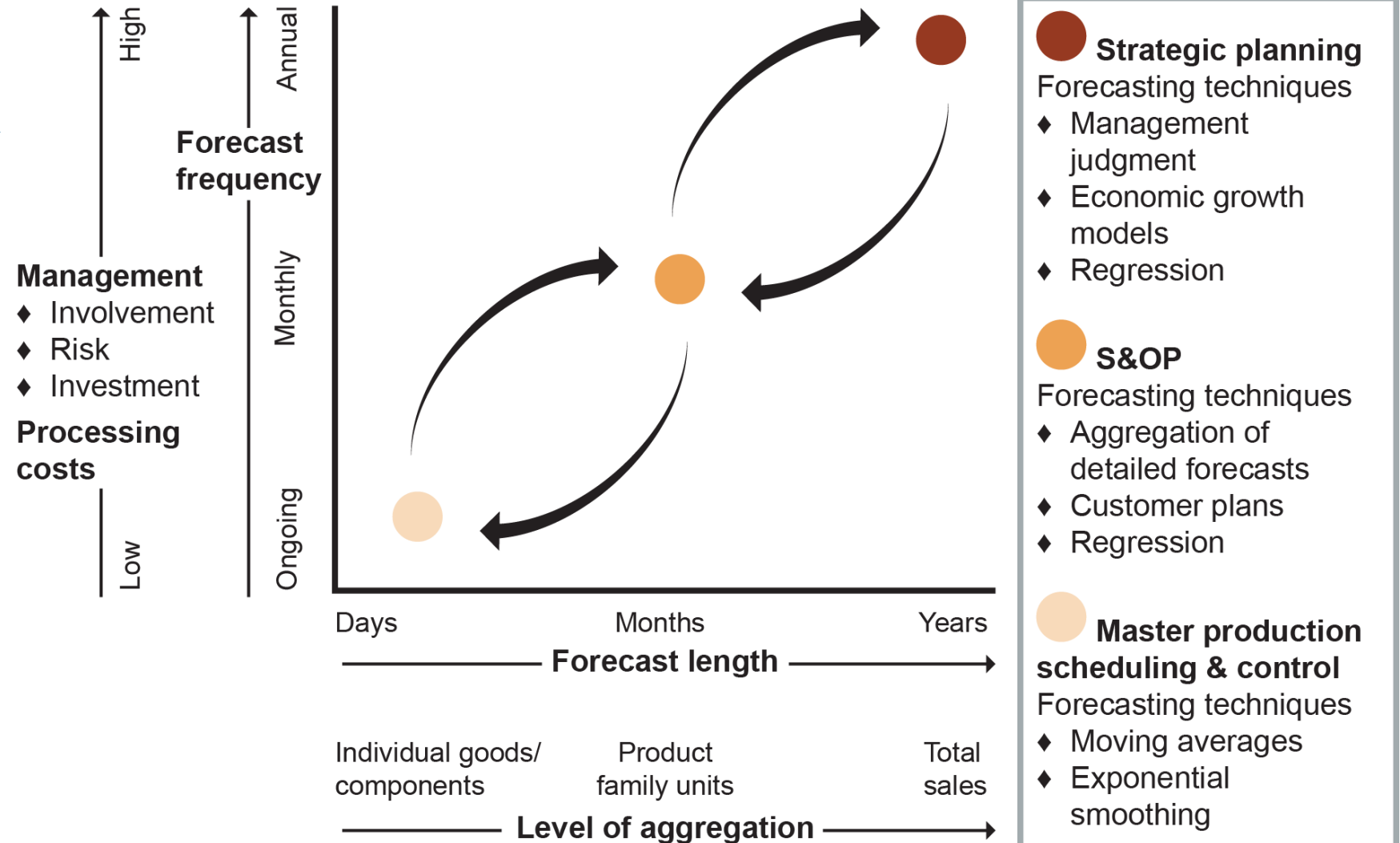
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## Forecasting Principles

- Forecasts are wrong most of the time.
- Forecast not complete without reliability/error metrics.
- Avoid forecasting: Use actual demand if able. Actual demand:
  - “Composed of customer orders (and often allocations of items, ingredients, or raw materials to production or distribution).”
  - Consumes the forecast.
- Aggregate demand to degree possible. Can aggregate:
  - Products (families)
  - Geographic areas
  - Time.
- Forecasts are more accurate in near term than long term.
- Match type to need:
  - Simpler is better.
  - Monitor routinely for appropriateness and quality.

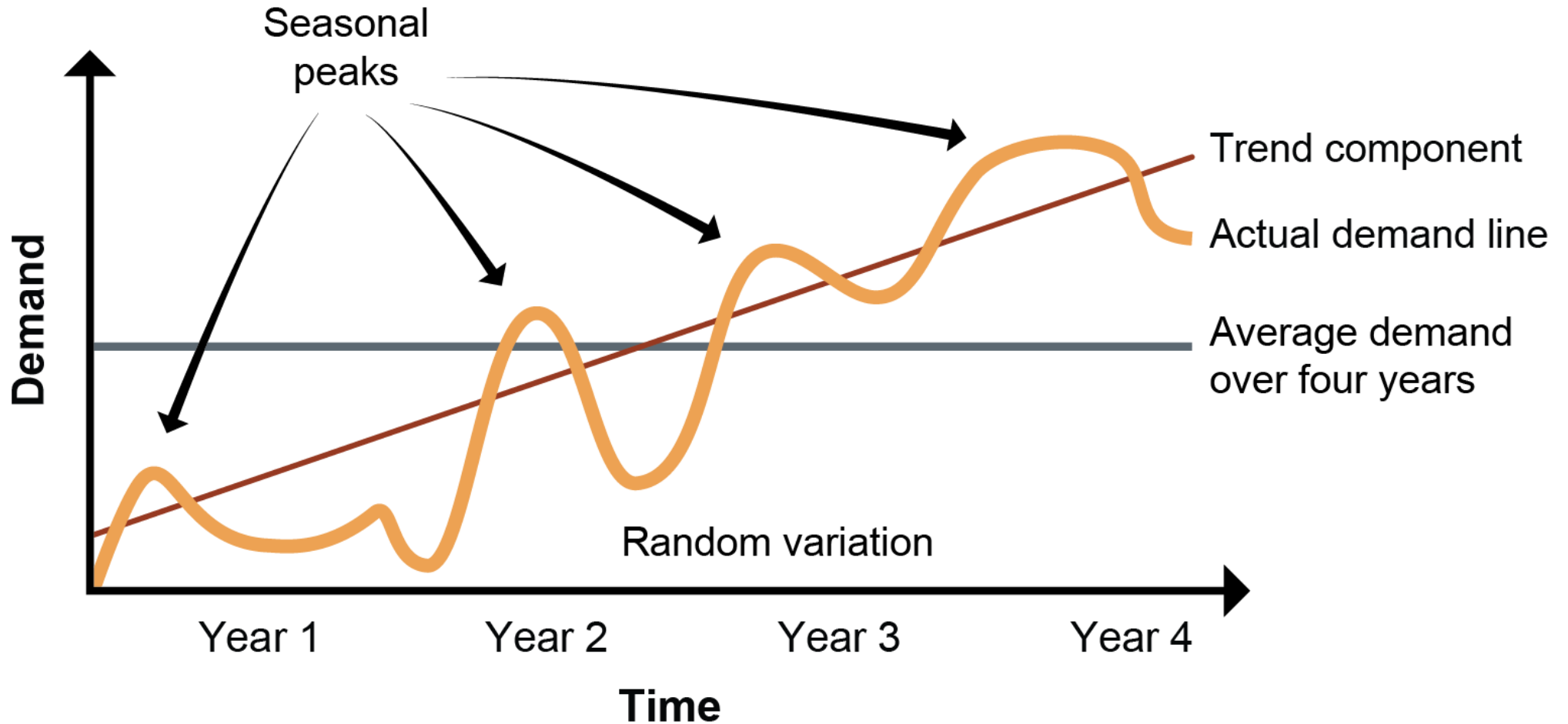
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## Creating and Using a Forecast



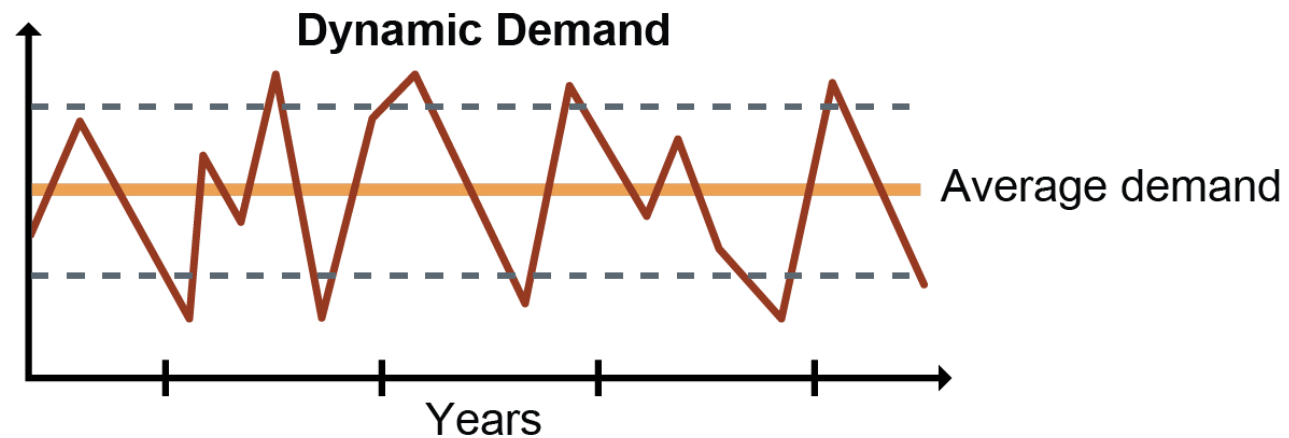
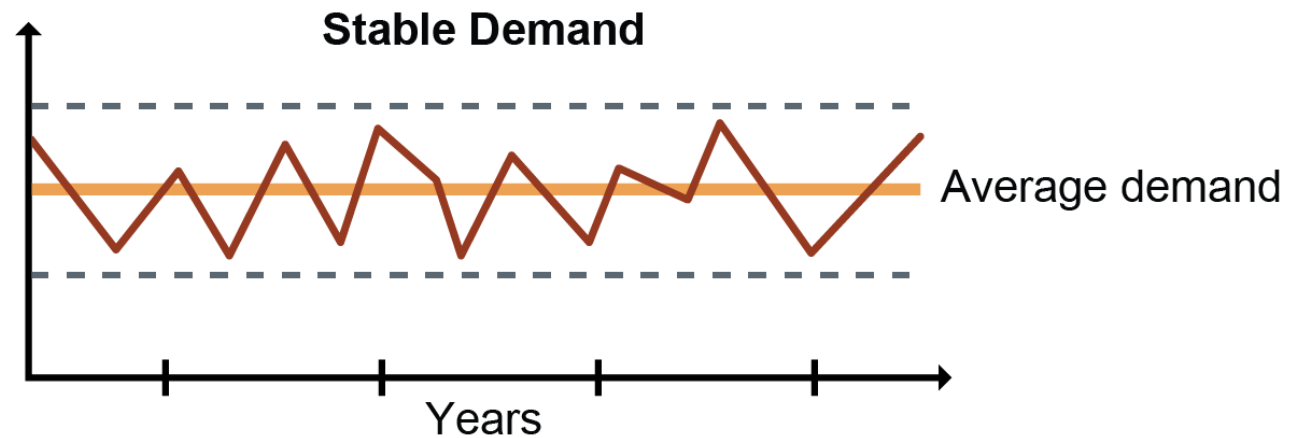
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## Demand Patterns



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## Stable versus Dynamic Demand



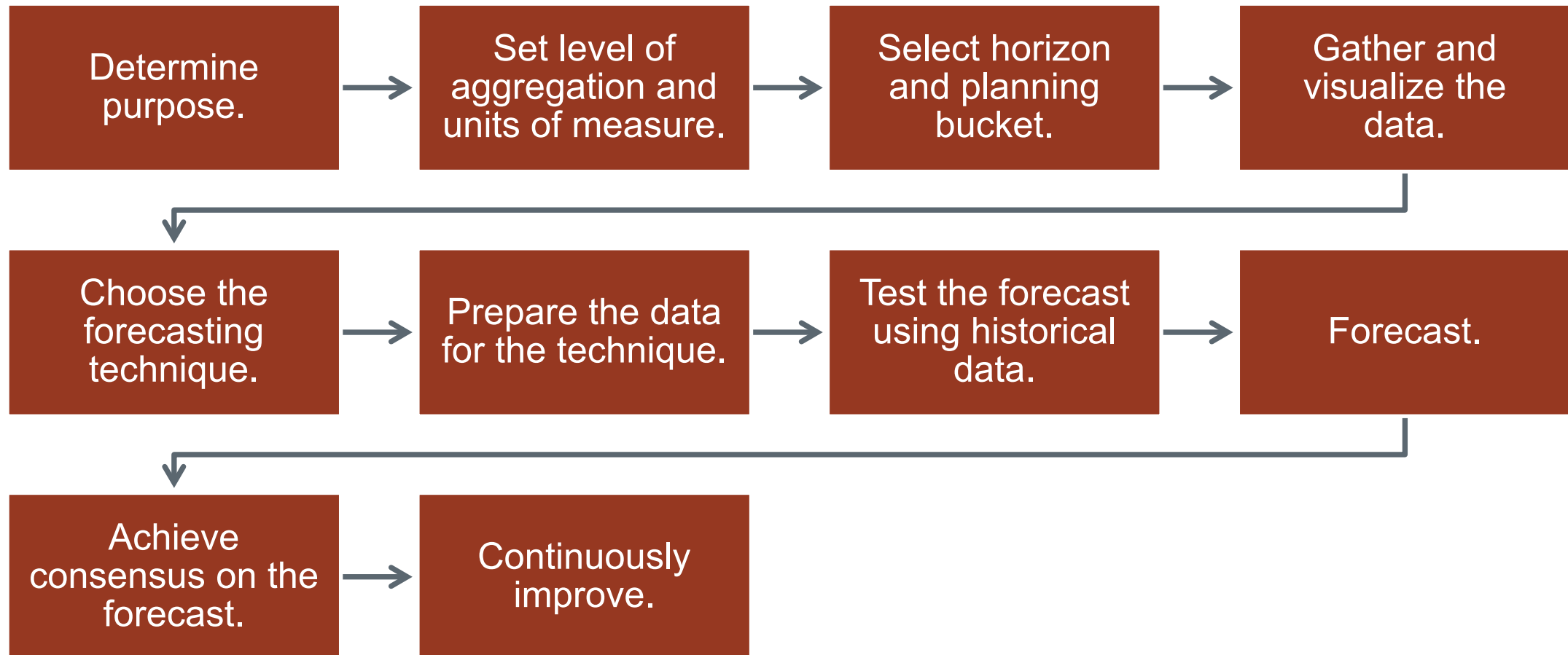
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## Demand Variation by Environment

Environment	Types of Uncertainty Requiring Forecasting
<b>MTS</b>	Variations in demand stated in forecasts for each inventory location
<b>ATO</b>	Variations in quantity, customer order timing, and product mix
<b>MTO</b>	Size of the backlog and the level of company resources needed to finish the engineering and make products per specifications
<b>ETO</b>	Hiring difficult-to-find design engineers and ordering materials with long lead times

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## Forecasting Process



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## Data Collection and Preparation Principles

- Forecast based on demand, not orders. Estimate demand from net sales, backorders, and requests that had to be turned away and/or filled from other plants.
- Collect data in needed format.
- Record related circumstances.
- Separate demand by customer segment.



Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	SUM
Segment A			6,000						6,000				12,000
Segment B	478	470	440	360	330	290	260	200	160	190	280	420	3,878
B avg.	323	323	323	323	323	323	323	323	323	323	323	323	
A+B avg.	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	



# Topic 2: Forecasting Road Map and Selection

## Information Needs by Environment

All manufacturing environments require sharing the forecast and other data among various functions, including sales and operations planning (S&OP), master scheduling (MS), and their customers.

- MTS uses forecasts for S&OP and actual demand for the master production schedule (MPS).
- ATO will use product family mix for S&OP and mix forecasts and actual demand for the MPS.
- MTO will need engineering detail for S&OP but final configuration for the MPS.
- ETO may use similar products with focus on engineering hours for S&OP and the MPS.

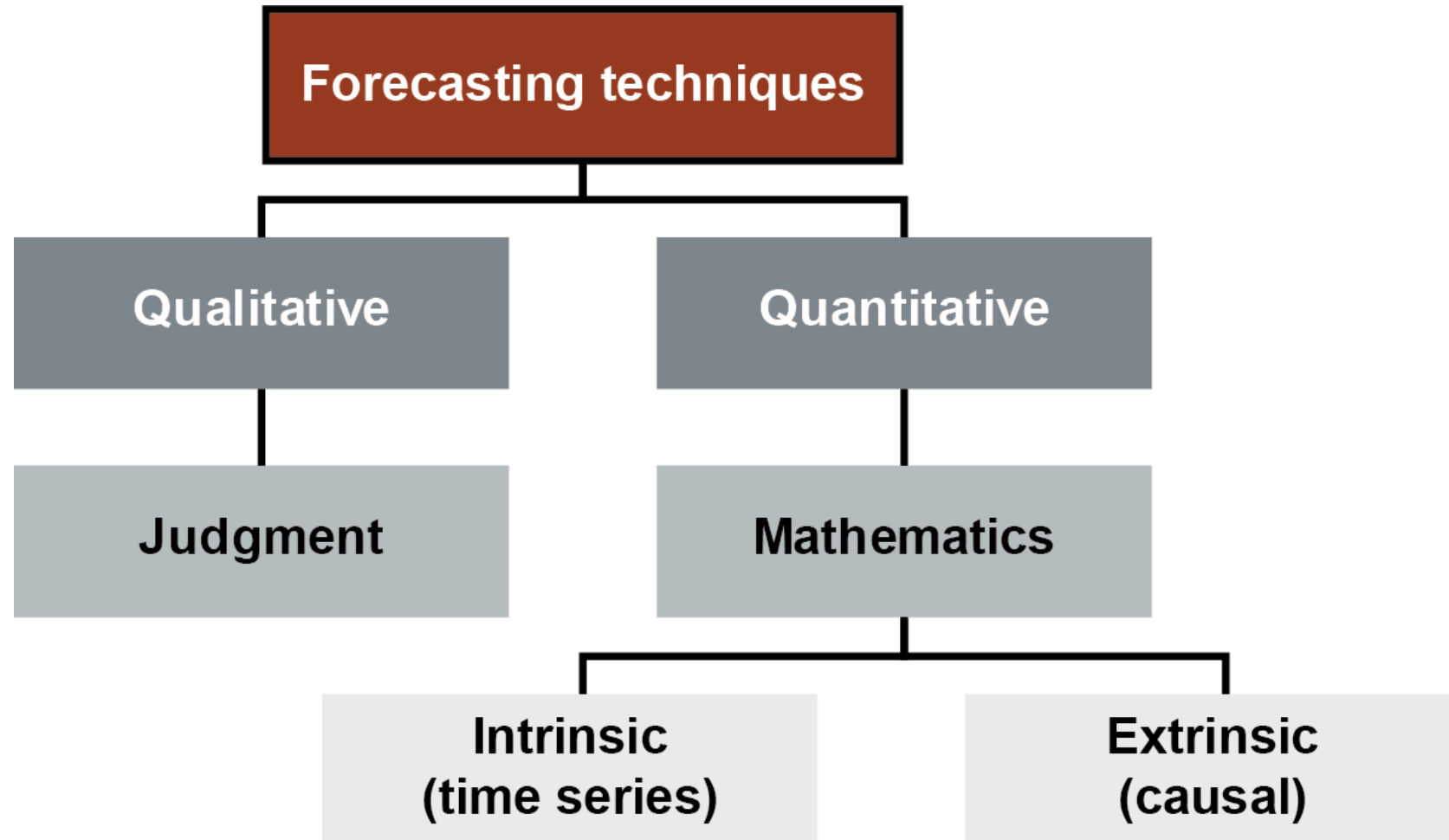
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## Forecast Audiences by Planning Level

Audience	Use
Business planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Set a direction.</li><li>▪ Plan product expansions and introductions.</li><li>▪ Evaluate strategic growth options.</li></ul>
S&OP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Reconcile functional plans with planned output.</li></ul>
Master planning and scheduling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Determine the number and timing of finished products.</li><li>▪ Provide input into rough-cut capacity plan.</li></ul>
Distribution requirements planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Plan inventory levels at DCs and inventory replenishment schedules.</li></ul>

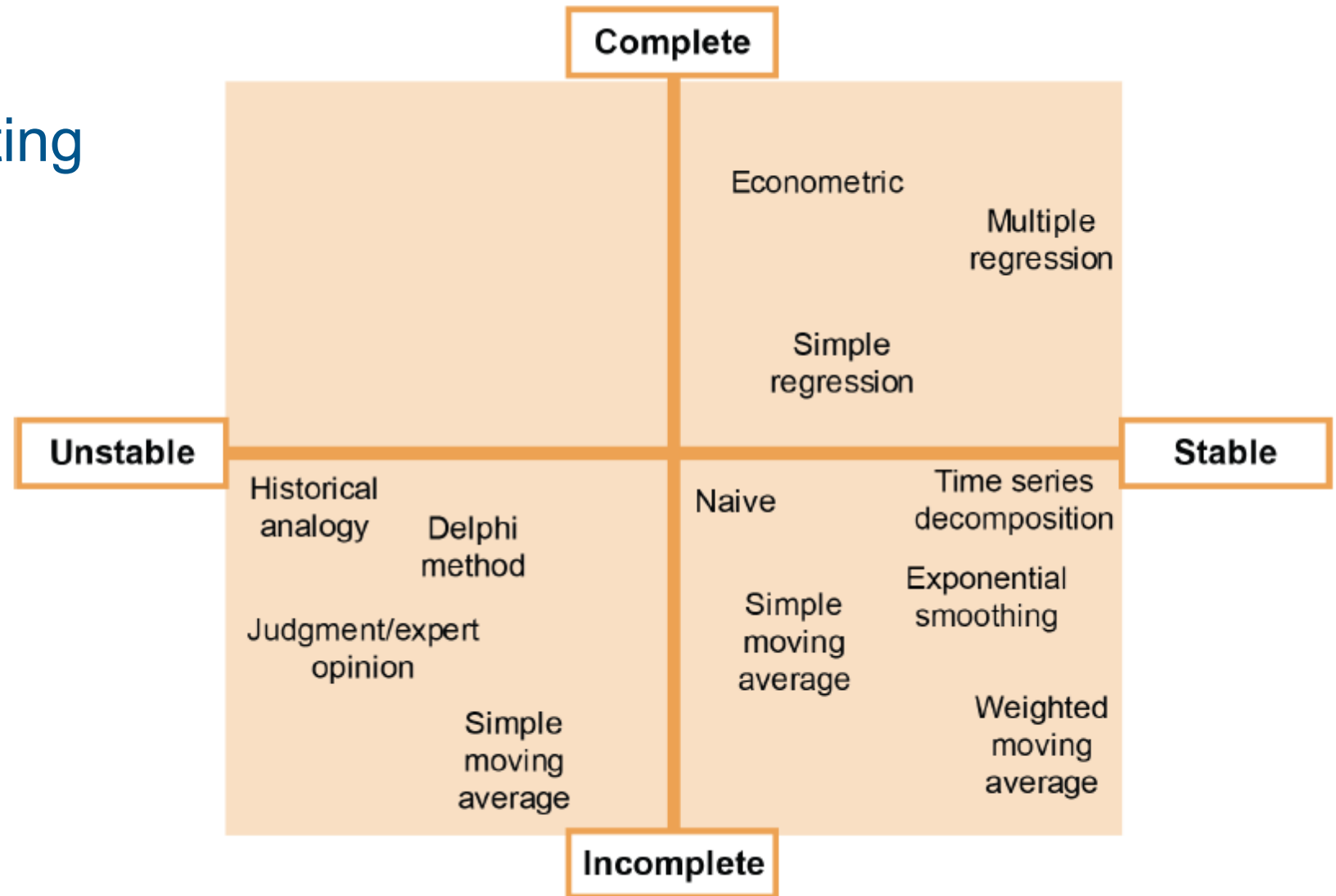
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## Forecast Selection



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## Variables Affecting Selection of Forecasting Method



# Topic 3: Qualitative Forecasting

## Qualitative Forecasting Methods

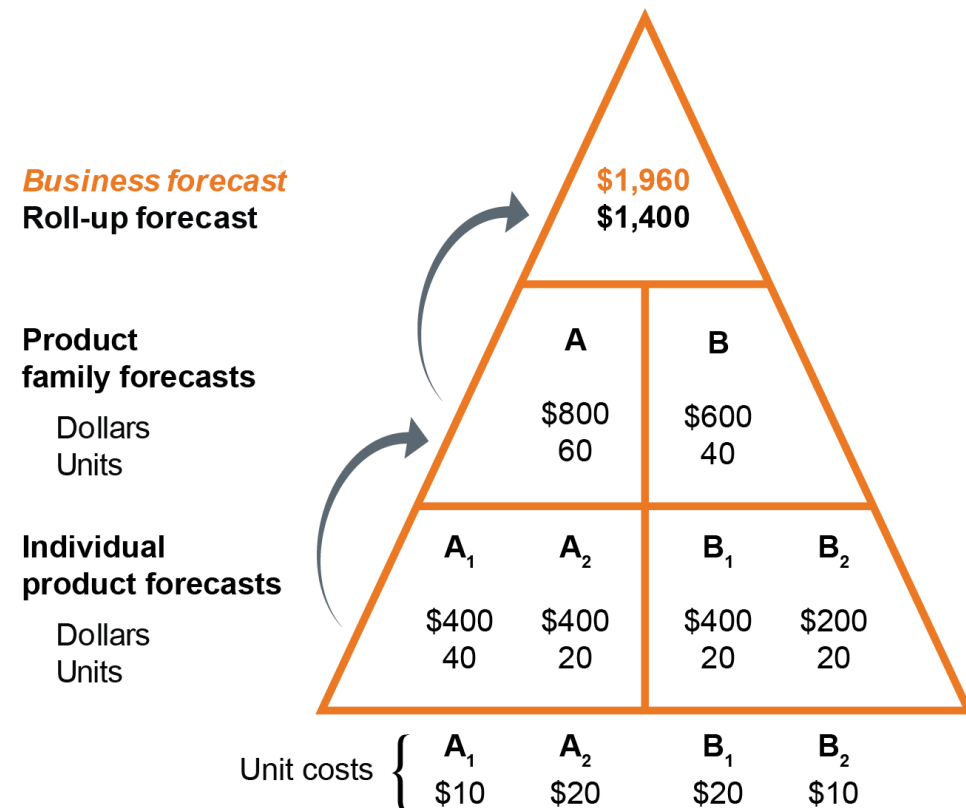
- Subjective approach based on intuitive or judgmental evaluation.
- Used when data is scarce, not available, or no longer relevant.
- May modify a quantitative forecast.
- Qualitative techniques:
  - Historical analogy (e.g., similar product)
  - Judgmental/expert opinion: experts forecast or modify quantitative forecast
  - Delphi method
  - Pyramid forecasting: hybrid of qualitative and quantitative

# Qualitative Forecasting Methods

## Delphi method

- Combines the opinions of experts in a series of iterations, each iteration being used to develop the next.
- Anonymity is maintained to avoid groupthink or “stake in the ground” mentality.

# Pyramid forecasting



# Topic 4: Quantitative Forecasting

## Quantitative Forecasting Techniques

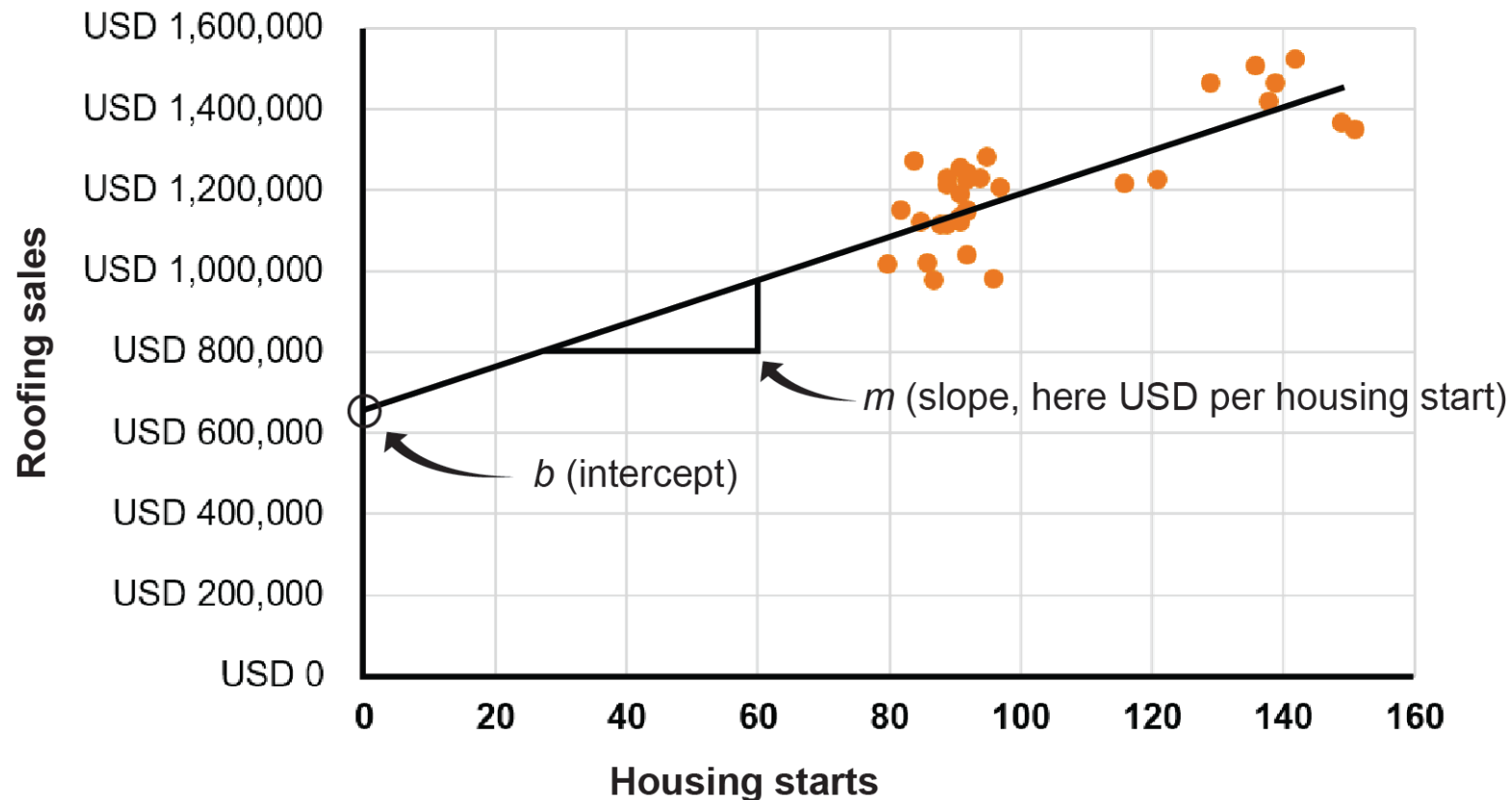
Approach where historical demand data is used to project future demand.

Quantitative techniques:

- Extrinsic (causal)
- Intrinsic (time series)

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## Extrinsic (Causal) Techniques: Simple Regression



$$y = mx + b$$

Roofing Sales =  $(m \times \text{Prior Month's Housing Starts}) + b$



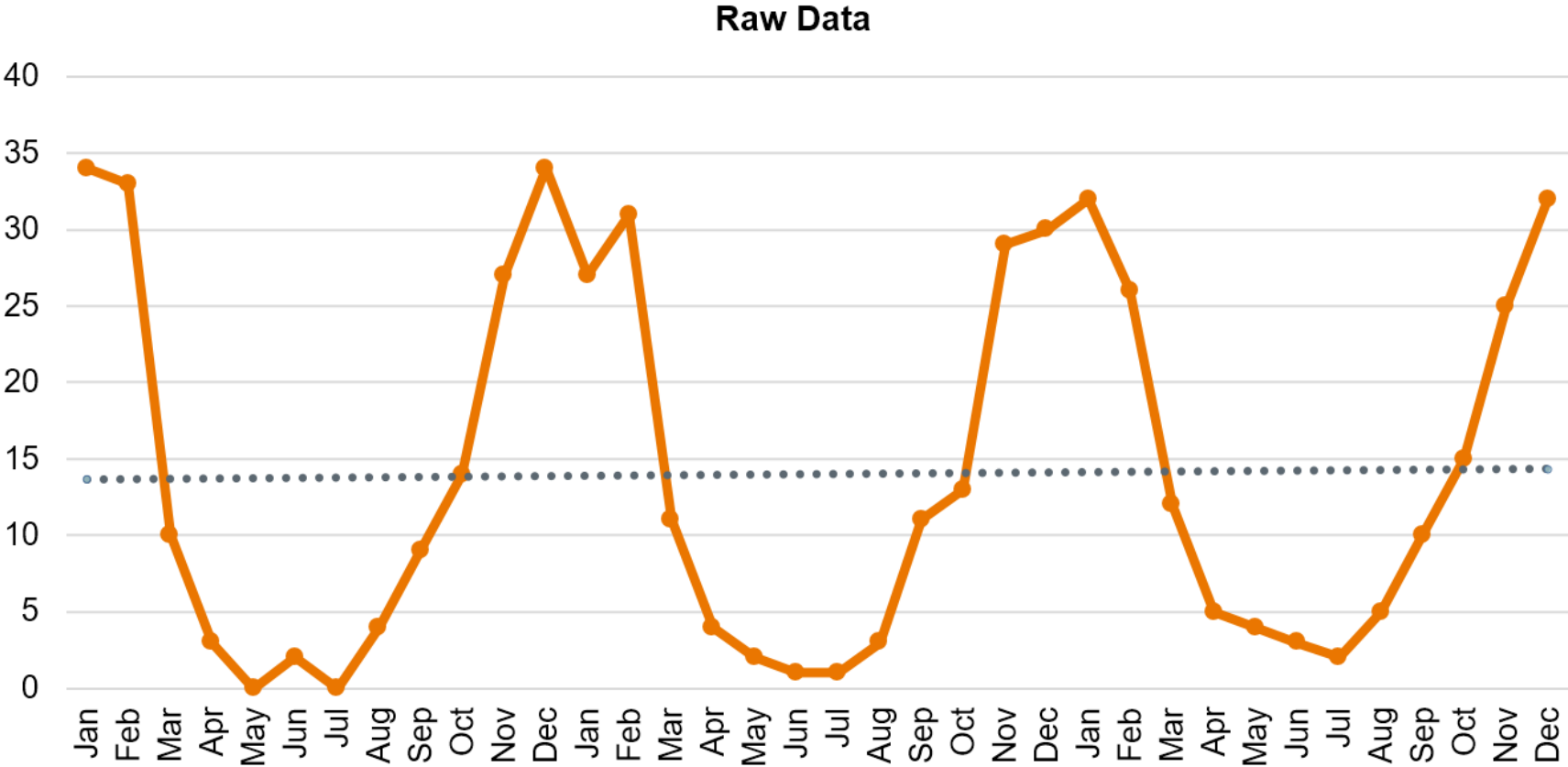
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## Quantitative Methods: Intrinsic (Time Series) Forecasting

- Near-term past is good guide to near-term future.
  - True in current business environment?
- To deseasonalize, divide by period's seasonal index.
- After forecasting, multiply by seasonal index.
- Short- or medium-term: Get period's actuals; use for next period's forecast.
- All lag changes in trend and smooth out random variation.
  - Methods that make one factor better make the other factor worse.

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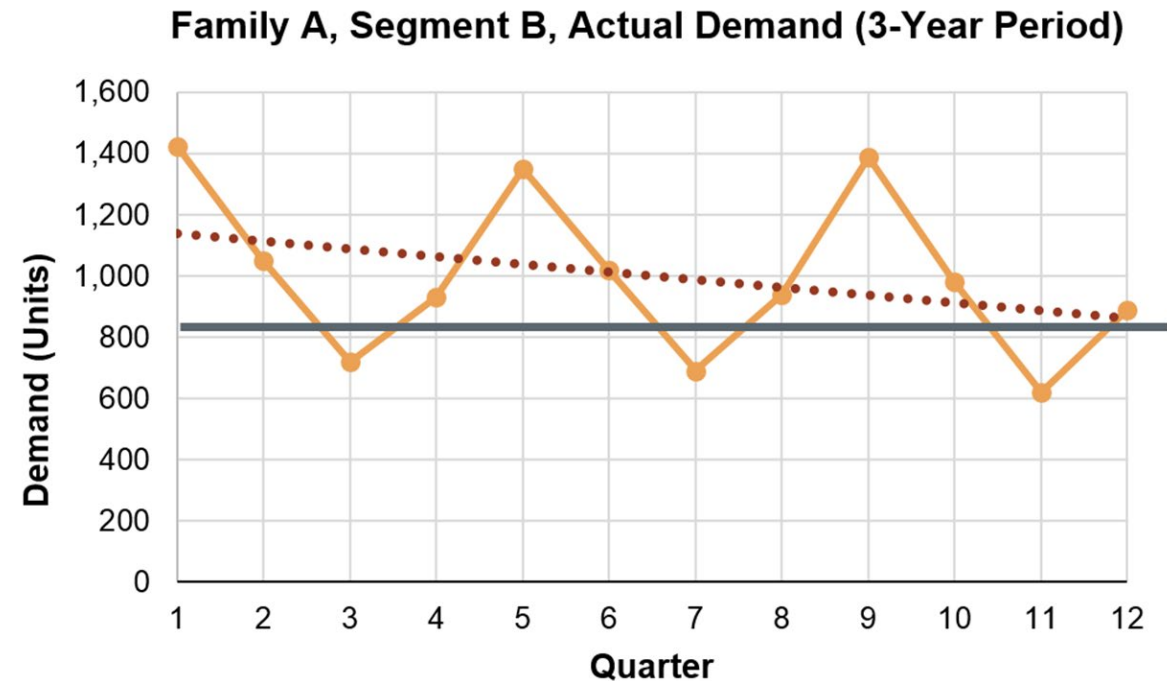
## Time Series Techniques: Visualizing



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## Seasonality: Deseasonalization and Seasonal Index

- Find period average demand, e.g., sum all Q1s and divide by number of Q1s.
- Find average demand for all periods, e.g., sum of quarterly averages divided by 4.



$$\text{Seasonal Index} = \frac{\text{Period Average Demand}}{\text{Average Demand for All Periods}}$$

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## Deseasonalized Demand

- Average is deseasonalized by definition.
- Apply seasonality: Multiply by period's seasonal index.
- Y4 forecast of 3,756 units/4 quarters = 939 units per quarter average.
- Q1 seasonal forecast =  $1.387 \times 939 = 1,302$  units.

Actual Demand History					
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Quarterly Average	Seasonal Index
Quarter 1	1,422	1,351	1,388	1,387	1.387
Quarter 2	1,050	1,018	980	1,016	1.016
Quarter 3	720	691	620	677	0.677
Quarter 4	930	940	890	920	0.920
Sum	4,122	4,000	3,878	4,000	4.000
Average Demand (Qtr. Avg. Sum/4) =				1,000	

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## Seasonal Index Exercise

Sales Information							
	Quarter	1	2	3	4	Total	Avg.
	Year 1	30	600	1,650	120	2,400	600
	Year 2	36	635	1,713	134	2,518	630
	Year 3	42	670	1,788	150	2,650	663
	3-Year Average	36	635	1,717	135	2,523	631
	Seasonal Index (3 decimal places for rounding purposes)	0.057	1.007	2.723	0.214		
	Year 4 (Quarterly avg. x 3-yr. index)	54	954	2,580	202	3,790	948

$$\text{Seasonal Index} = \frac{\text{Period Average Demand}}{\text{Average Demand for All Periods}}$$

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## Moving Averages

Moving Average =

$$\frac{\text{Sum of Demand for Most Recent Set of Periods}}{\text{Number of Periods}}$$

Weighted Moving Average =

$$\frac{(1 \times \text{Period 1}) + (2 \times \text{Period 2}) + (3 \times \text{Period 3})}{\text{Sum of Weights } (1 + 2 + 3 = 6)}$$

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## Exponential Smoothing

- Weighted average of latest period demand, forecast.
- Alpha ( $\alpha$ ) is smoothing constant between 0.0 and 1.0 (usually set from 0.0 to 0.3).
- Lower alphas lag more and smooth more.

**New Forecast = ( $\alpha \times$  Latest Demand) + ((1 –  $\alpha$ )  $\times$  Previous Forecast)**

**New Forecast (Deseasonalized) = (0.3  $\times$  967) + (0.7  $\times$  973) = 971**

Qtr.	Deseasonalized Demand	Deseasonalized Forecast	0.3 Exp. Forecast
Y3-Q4	967	973	
Y4-Q1		971	$\times 1.387 = 1,347$

Q1 seasonal index

# Topic 4: Quantitative Forecasting

## Exponential Smoothing Forecast Exercise 1

- Prepare an exponential smoothing forecast for June.
  - May data: actual demand = 220; forecast = 200.
  - Calculate the forecast for June using a smoothing constant ( $\alpha$ ) of 0.20.
- New forecast = ( $\alpha$ ) (latest demand) + ( $1 - \alpha$ ) (previous forecast)

$$(0.2) 220 + (0.8) 200 = 44 + 160 = 204$$



# Topic 4: Quantitative Forecasting

## Exponential Smoothing Forecast Exercise 2

- Prepare an exponential smoothing forecast for July.
  - June data: actual demand = 240
  - Calculate the forecast for July also using a smoothing constant ( $\alpha$ ) of 0.20.
- New forecast = ( $\alpha$ ) (latest demand) + ( $1 - \alpha$ ) (previous forecast)

$$(0.2) 240 + (0.8) 204 = 48 + 163 = 211$$

# Topic 4: Quantitative Forecasting

## Time Series Techniques: Exponential Smoothing Exercise

- Demand for a new product is rising faster than forecasts based on 0.2 alpha value exponential smoothing. Would you recommend use of a higher or lower alpha value, and what would your forecast be for September?

Demand	May	June	July	August	September
Forecast	200,000	204,000	211,200	221,160	
Actual	220,000	240,000	261,000	275,000	

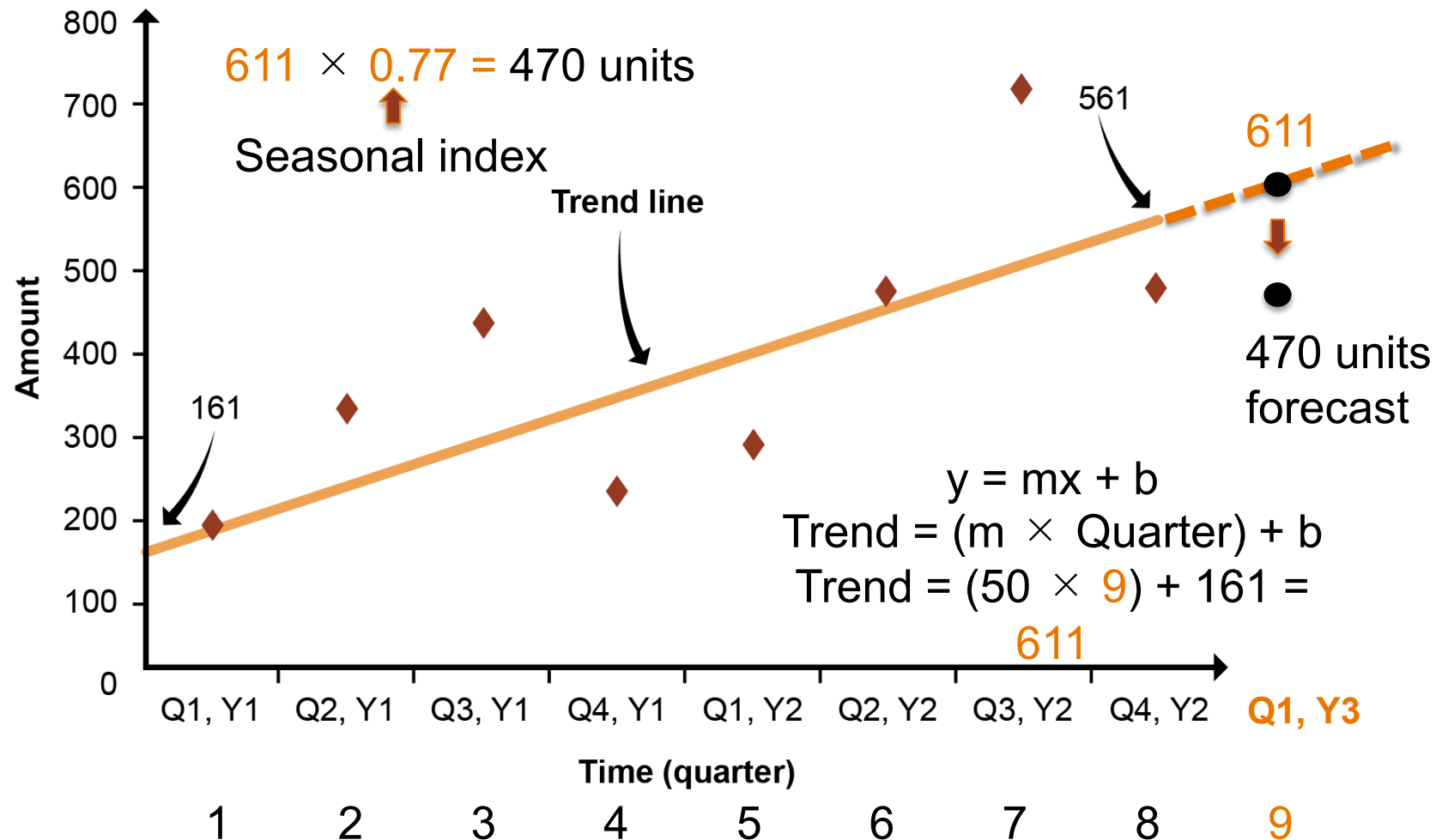
- Demand for a consumer product appears to be random with low variability. Do you recommend a high, medium, or low alpha value?

Period	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Demand	95	91	104	95	106	89	94	110

- If demand shows a definite declining trend, would you recommend a high, medium, or low alpha value?

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## Decomposition: Trend and Seasonality



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## SECTION C: FORECAST PERFORMANCE

## Section C Learning Objectives

- Evaluating forecast performance
- Benefits of forecast accuracy
- Bias versus random variation
- Mean absolute deviation (MAD) and other forecast error metrics
- Tracking signal for identifying forecasts to evaluate
- Bullwhip effect on supply chain instability
- Collaborative planning, forecasting, and replenishment (CPFR®)

# Topic 1: Evaluating Forecast Performance

## Forecast Evaluation Road Map

### Why track error rates

- Improve forecasts.
- Know how much reliance to place on forecast, e.g., how much safety stock?
- Detect bias.
- Get quantitative data on actual customer service level.
- See forecaster willingness to stand by results.

### Benefits of accuracy

- Customer satisfaction (timely)
- Customer loyalty
- Less safety stock or safety lead time
- Understand evolving customer product demands

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## Evaluation of Forecast Performance

- Extrapolation
- Mean
- Median
- Mode
- Normal distribution
- Outlier
- Probability distribution
- Sample
- Sampling distribution



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## Bias Versus Random Variation

- Bias: consistent deviation from mean in one direction.
- Biased means actual and forecast diverge over time.
- Unbiased forecast error root cause = random variation.

Month	Bias			Random Variation		
	Actual	Forecast	Deviation	Actual	Forecast	Deviation
1	70	100	-30	105	100	5
2	150	100	50	94	100	-6
3	120	100	20	98	100	-2
4	60	100	-40	104	100	4
5	160	100	60	103	100	3
6	<u>120</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>-4</u>
Cumulative	680	600	80	600	600	0



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## Deviation Versus Forecast Error

- Deviation = Actual Demand – Forecast.
- Plus or minus sign shows direction.
- Positive and negative deviations cancel each other out.
- Error (absolute deviation, no + or –) shows full impact.

Qtr.	Actuals	3-Qtr. Moving	Deviation	Error
Y2-Q3	691	674	17	17
Y2-Q4	940	919	21	21
Y3-Q1	1,388	1,408	-20	20
Y3-Q2	980	1,031	-51	51
Y3-Q3	620	674	-54	54
Y3-Q4	890	884	6	6
		<b>SUM</b>	<b>-80</b>	<b>169</b>

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## Mean Absolute Deviation

$$\text{MAD} = \frac{\sum | \text{Actual} - \text{Forecast} |}{\text{Number of Periods}}$$

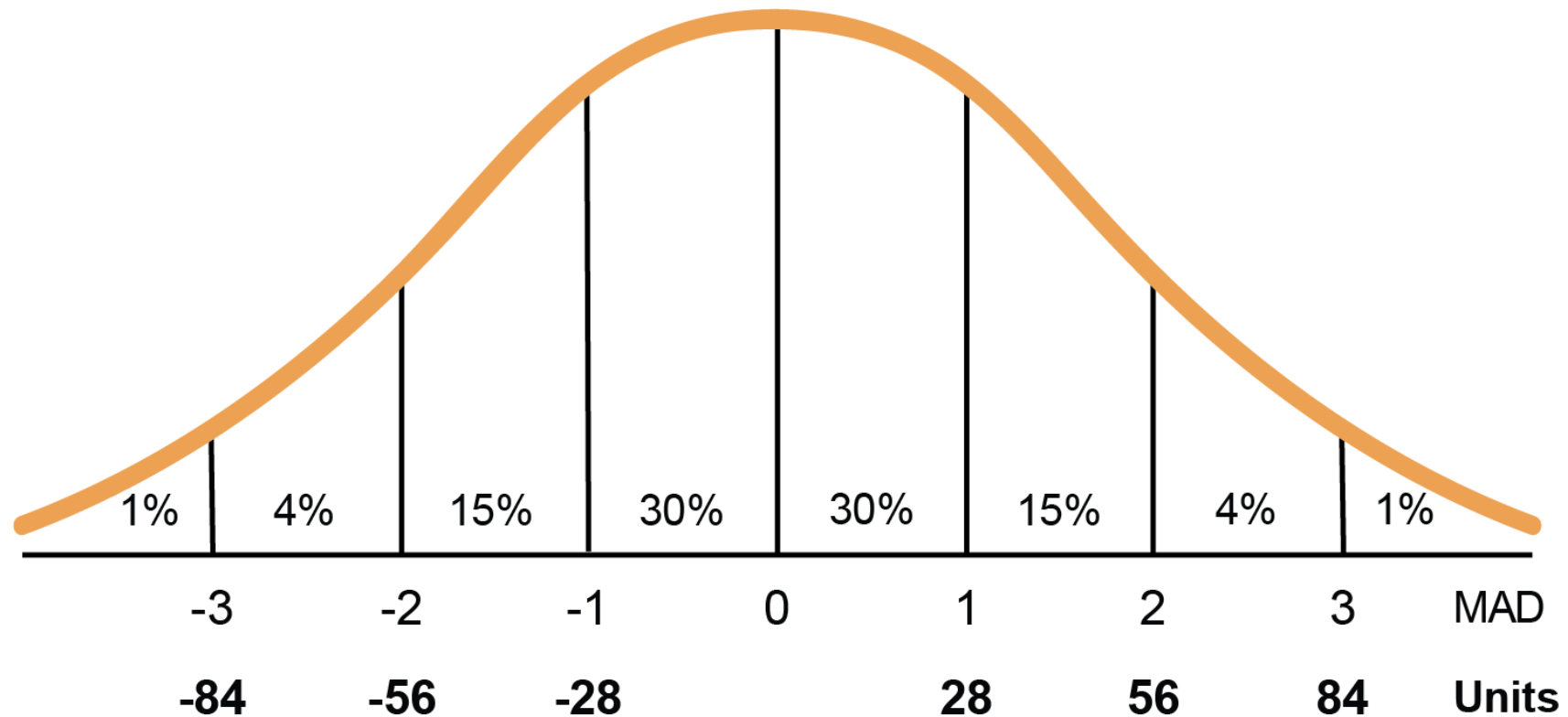
$$\text{MAD} = \frac{(17 + 21 + 20 + 51 + 54 + 6)}{6} = \frac{169}{6} = 28 \text{ Units}$$

Quarter	Actual Demand	3-Qtr. Moving	3-Qtr. Moving Error		
Y2-Q3	691	– 674	= 17		
Y2-Q4	940	– 919	= 21		
Y3-Q1	1,388	– 1,408	= 20		
Y3-Q2	980	– 1,031	= 51		
Y3-Q3	620	– 674	= 54	<b>SUM:</b>	169
Y3-Q4	890	– 884	= 6	<b>MAD:</b>	28

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## Mean Absolute Deviation

MAD in units for 3-quarter moving average forecast



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## Mean Squared Error and Mean Absolute Percentage Error

$$\text{MSE} = \frac{\text{Sum of (Errors for Each Period)}^2}{\text{Number of Forecast Periods}}$$

$$\text{MAPE} = \frac{\sum \left( \frac{|\text{Actual} - \text{Forecast}|}{\text{Actual}} \right) [\%]}{\text{Number of Periods}}$$

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## Tracking Signal

- One-number bias assessment
- Numerator not absolute
  - Cumulative deviation
- Implement contingency plan to manage demand variations (e.g., using safety stock) and maintain customer service level

$$\text{Tracking Signal} = \frac{\text{Algebraic Sum of Forecast Deviations}}{\text{MAD}} = \frac{-80}{28} = -2.83^*$$

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## Standard Deviation and WAIT

### Standard deviation

- Widely used to plan for fluctuations
- Dispersion of data around mean
  - Actual versus average (forecast error not used)
  - High variability: more safety stock

Standard Deviation =

$$\sqrt{\frac{\sum(\text{Actual} - \text{Average})^2}{n - 1}}$$

### WAIT for forecast accuracy

- “Within allowable item tolerances”
- How much error is problematic?
  - “Hit” = within tolerance
  - “Miss” = outside tolerance

Forecast Accuracy =

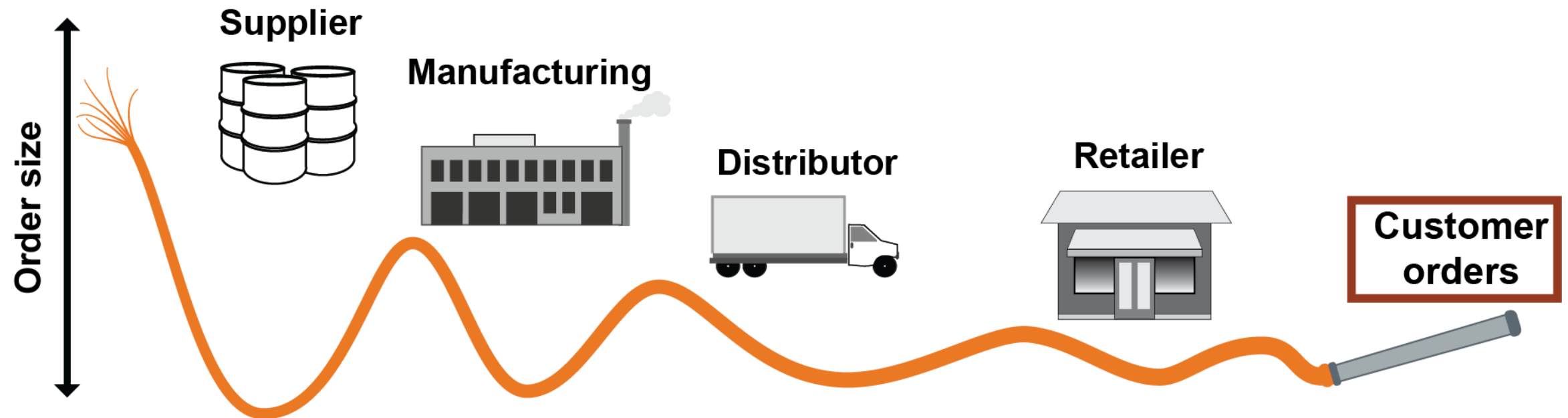
$$\frac{\sum(\text{Number of Hits})}{\sum(\text{Number of Hits} + \text{Number of Misses})} \times 100\%$$

# Topic 2: Forecast Management

## Supply Chain Dynamics

### Bullwhip effect

Extreme change in upstream supply position generated by small change in downstream demand



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## Bullwhip Effect Example

Period	Supplier 3 (Plastic Liners)		Supplier 2 (Covers)		Supplier 1 (Mattresses)		Manufacturer of Cribs		Retail Demand
	Prod.	B/E	Prod.	B/E	Prod.	B/E	Prod.	B/E	
1	1,000	1,000/ 1,000	1,000	1,000/ 1,000	1,000	1,000/ 1,000	1,000	1,000/ 1,000	1,000
2	200	1,000/ 600	600	1,000/ 800	800	1,000/ 900	900	1,000/ 950	950
3	1,800	600/ 1,200	1,200	800/ 1,000	1,000	900/ 950	950	950/ 950	950
4	600	1,200/ 900	900	1,000/ 950	950	950/ 950	950	950/ 950	950



# Topic 2: Forecast Management

## Controlling the Bullwhip Effect

### Causes

- Demand forecast updating and orders rather than demand
- Order batching
- Price fluctuation
- Rationing and gaming

### Focus of solutions

- Better accuracy through shared data
- Technology and collaboration to make orders smaller and more frequent
- Agreement on promotions/less of them
- Less forecasting (e.g., DDMRP)
- Historical data to improve decisions
- Less ability to return unsold product
- Vendor-managed inventory

# Topic 2: Forecast Management

## CPFR® Model

Manufacturer Tasks	Collaboration Tasks	Retailer Tasks
<b>Strategy &amp; Planning</b>		
Account Planning	Collaboration Arrangement	Vendor Management
Market Planning	Joint Business Plan	Category Management
<b>Demand &amp; Supply Management</b>		
Market Data Analysis	Sales Forecasting	POS Forecasting
Demand Planning	Order Planning/Forecasting	Replenishment Planning
<b>Execution</b>		
Production & Supply Planning	Order Generation	Buying/Re-buying
Logistics/Distribution	Order Fulfillment	Logistics/Distribution
<b>Analysis</b>		
Execution Monitoring	Exception Management	Store Execution
Customer Scorecard	Performance Assessment	Supplier Scorecard