



The Road to Success for CleanTech

--Cost Control for Purchasing Department

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CleanTech 2022 Business Analysis Meeting

Meeting Outline

Overview



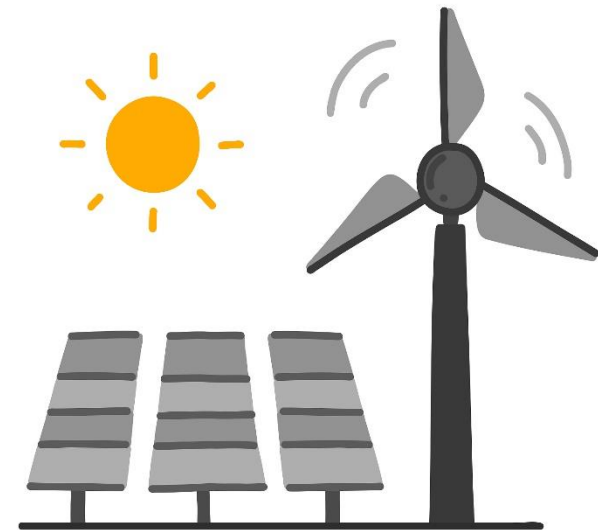
Issue 1



Issue 2



Issue 3



Overview -- *External Environment Analysis*

Macro-Environment

- ❑ Subsidy-free grid parity for PV generation
- ❑ Speed up technological innovation
- ❑ Increasing demand for PV construction

Industrial Chain

Potential Entrants

Large scale with strong bargaining power;
Low accounts receivable turnover

Suppliers

Strong Bargaining Power;
Raw material price increases

Clean Tech

Homogenization
Price Competition

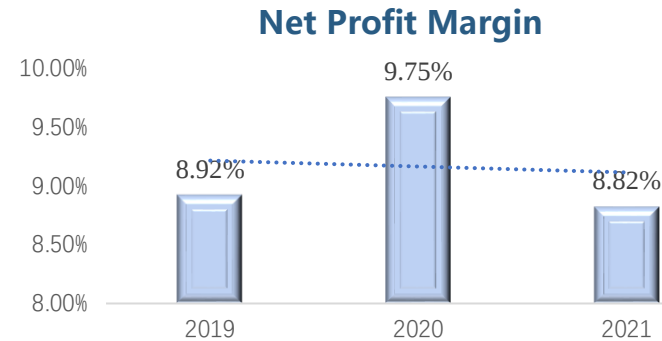
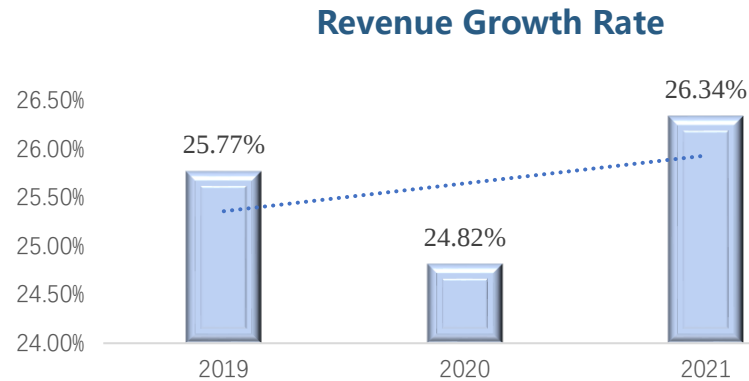
Existing Competitors

Buyers

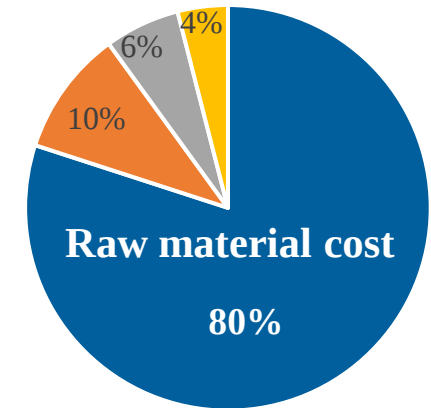
Alternatives

Cost control is vital!

Overview -- What are Our Problems?



Composition of Cost



Cost must be reduced -- procurement cost is the core!



"Carton Case"

Broke out in the process of cost reduction



- ☐ Short-sighted: only cares purchase price
- ☐ Cause negative influence to other departments
- ☐ Passive order purchasing
- ☐ Lack of supplier relationship management

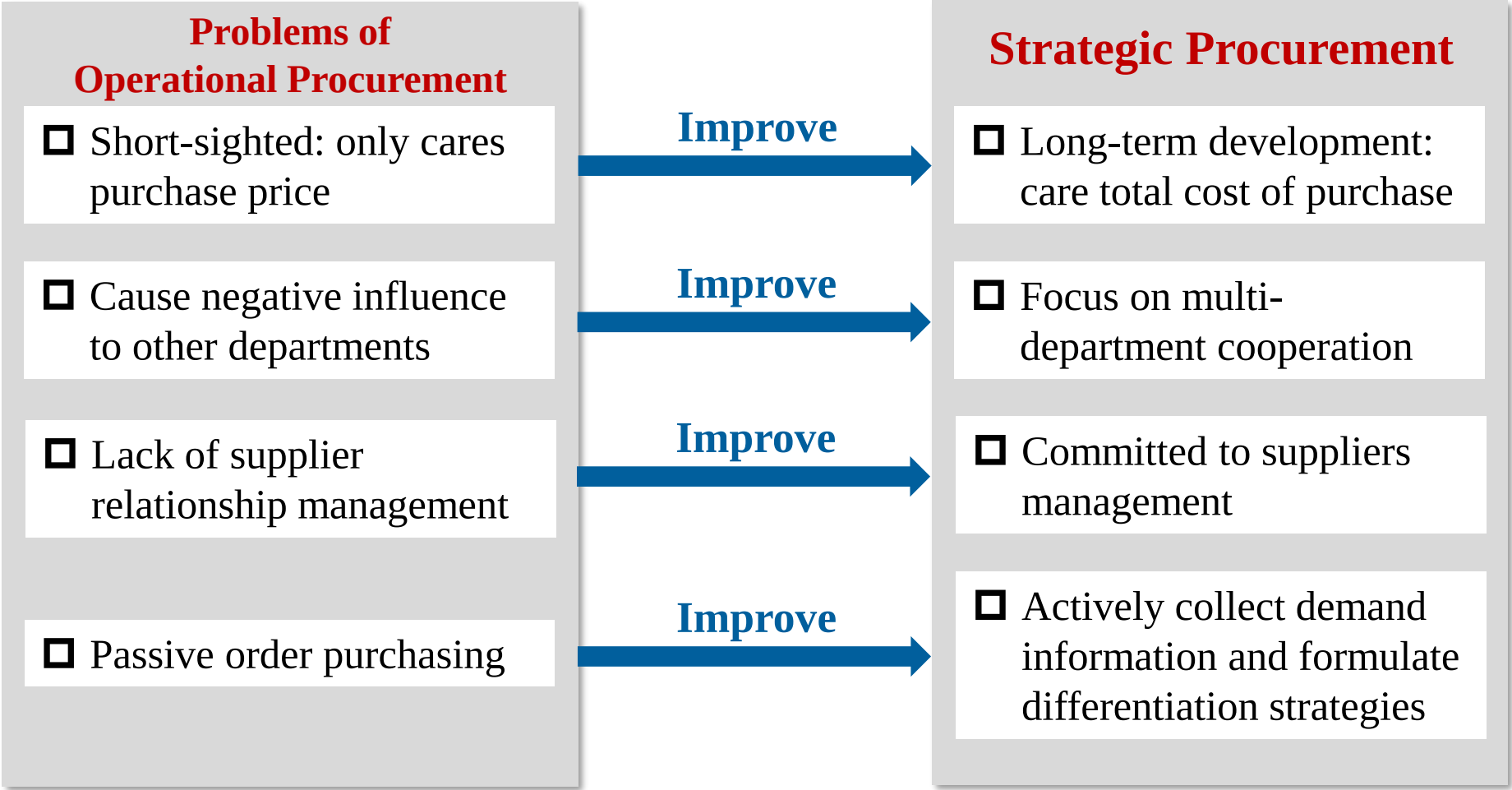
Must change operational procurement !

Operational procurement

Issue 1

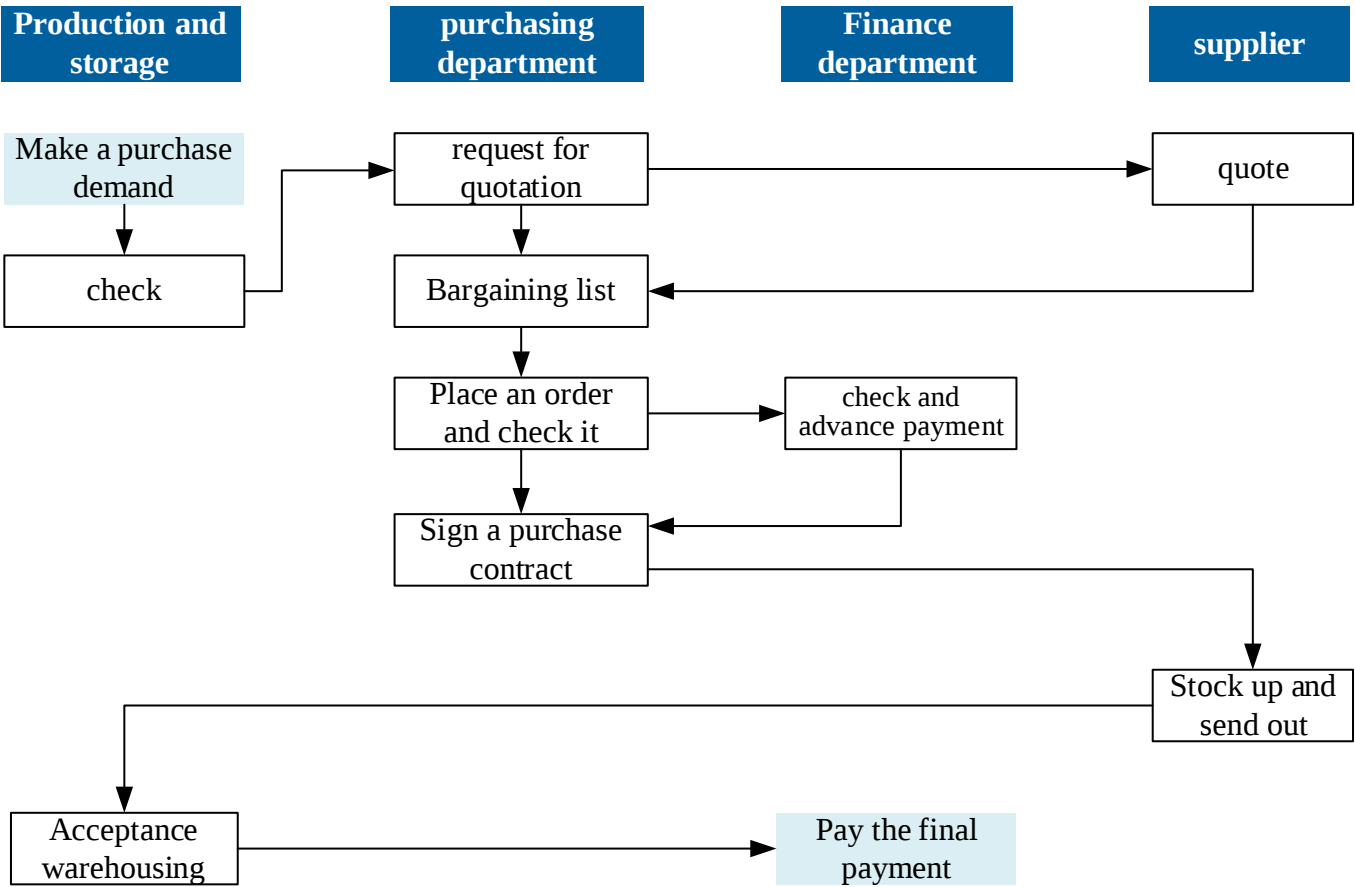
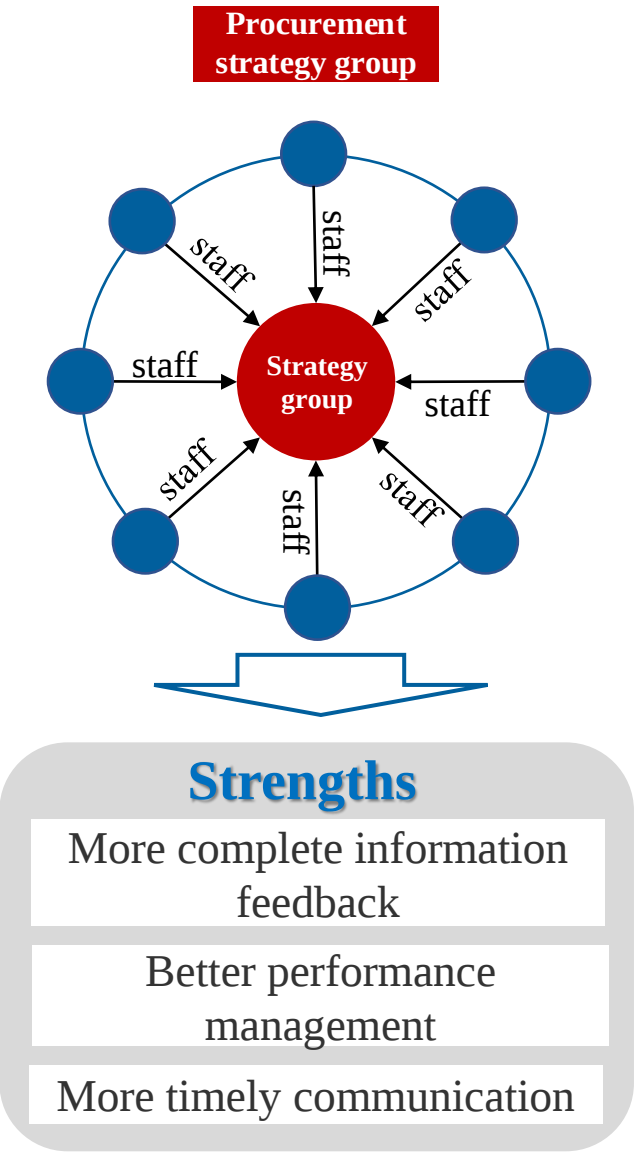
Choose Strategic Procurement

Strategic Procurement is Better

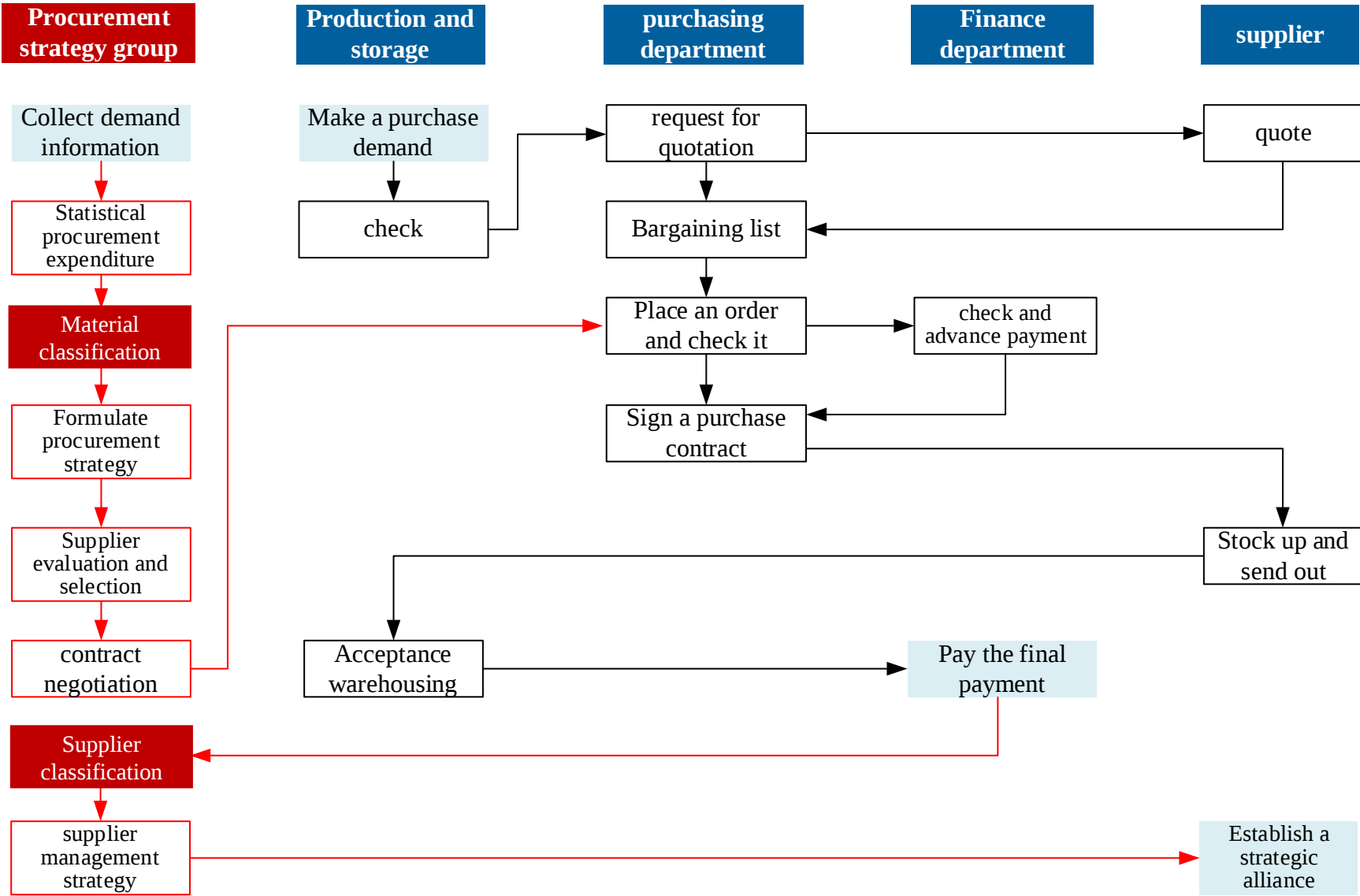


Turn into strategic procurement!

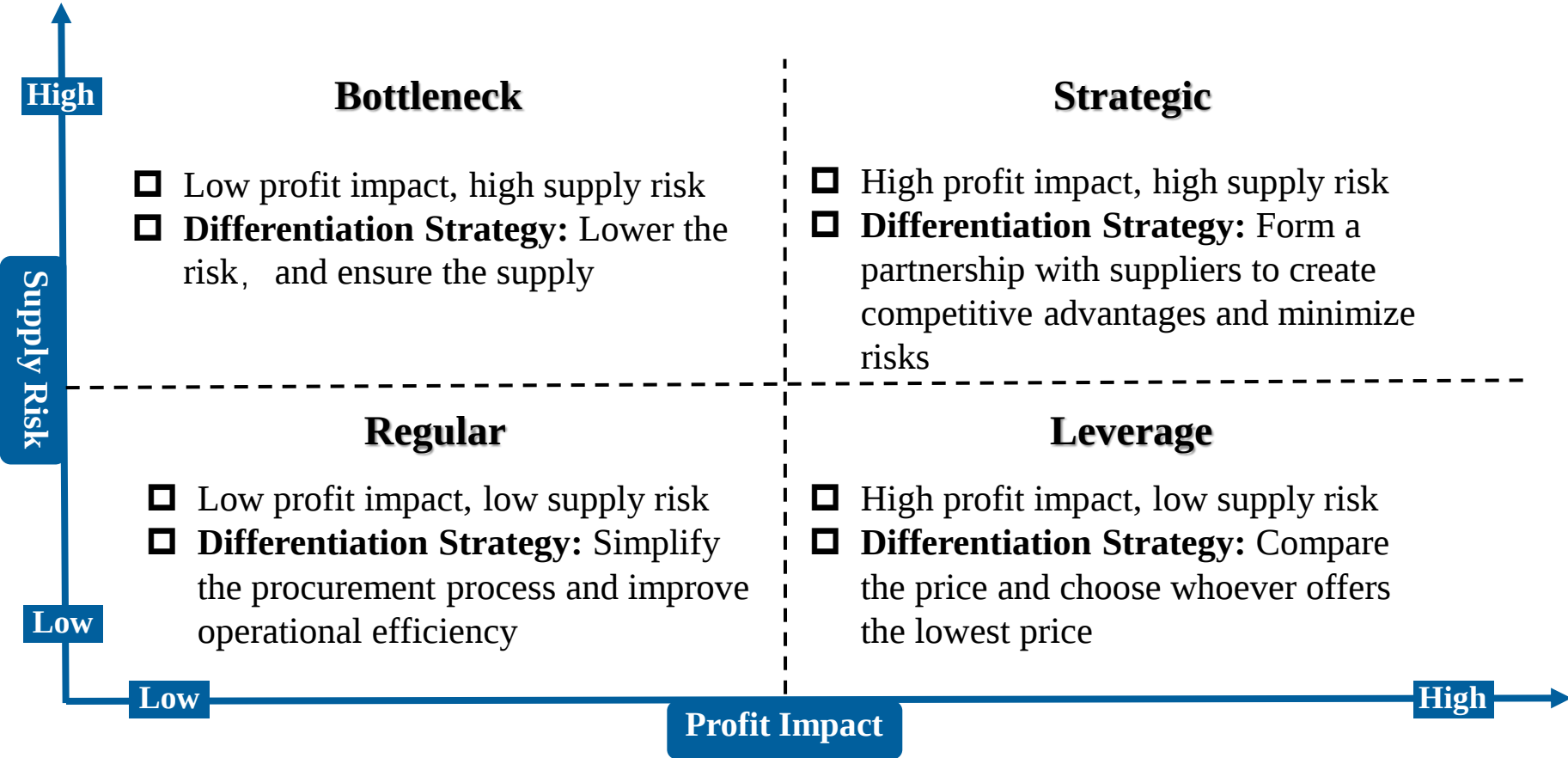
Reconstruct the Procurement Process



Reconstruct the Procurement Process



Classification Method based on Karajack Matrix

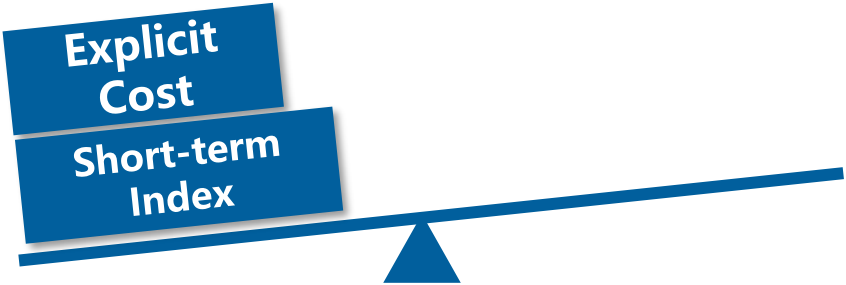


Formulate differentiation strategy and establish a high-quality supplier management system

Issue 2
Strategic Supplier
Management

Improve Cost Item

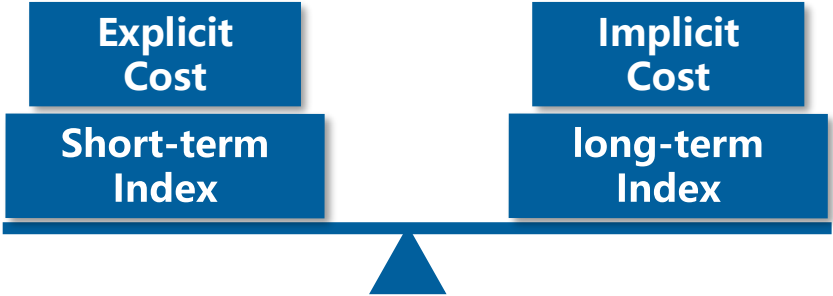
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Acquisition Cost	material cost order fee insurance fee
Storage Cost	warehousing fee
Supply Chain Cost	freight loading and unloading fees
Quality Cost	testing cost



Problems:
Existing price comparison methods overlook some cost items

Improve Cost Item

Cost Category	Cost Item
Acquisition Cost	material cost order fee insurance fee
Storage Cost	warehousing fee fund occupancy expense normal loss fee
Shortage Cost	shutdown loss loss of sales opportunity
Supply Chain Cost	freight loading and unloading fees
Quality Cost	testing cost internal failure cost external failure cost



Complete!

Assumptions

Source of cost information

Assumptions

Production Center

scrap rate -- m_n
average product production quantity -- o_n
average scrap cost -- p_n

Quality Inspection
Department

unit testing cost -- l_i
shutdown loss -- X_n
loss of sales opportunity -- Y_n

Sales Department

return rate -- r_n
average sales quantity -- s_n
average return processing cost -- t_n

Purchasing
Department

material unit price -- a_{ij}
single order cost -- b_{ij}
unit insurance cost -- d_{ij}
material quantity -- Q_{ij}
order times -- u_{ij}

Warehousing
Department

unit storage cost -- c_{ij}
loss rate -- e_{ij}

Transportation
Department

transportation unit price -- f
supplier distance -- h_{ij}
unit loading and unloading fee -- k

Financial Center

weighted average cost of capital -- $WACC$

* **Tips:** “n” represents the n^{th} product; “i” represents the i^{th} material; “j” represents the j^{th} supplier

Total Cost of Ownership Model -- Acquisition Cost

Cost Item	Cost Item Description	Calculation Results
		explicit cost implicit cost
material cost	material unit price × material quantity	$Q_{ij} \times a_{ij}$
order fee	order times × single order cost	$b_{ij} \times u_{ij}$
insurance fee	material quantity × unit insurance cost	$Q_{ij} \times d_{ij}$

$$Acquisition\ Cost = \sum_{i=1,j=1} [Q_{ij} \times (a_{ij} + d_{ij}) + b_{ij} \times u_{ij}]$$

Total Cost of Ownership Model -- Storage Cost

Cost Item	Cost Item Description	Calculation Results
warehousing fee	unit storage cost × average inventory quantity	$\frac{Q_{ij}}{2} \times c_{ij}$
fund occupancy expense	WACC × unit testing cost	$\frac{Q_{ij}}{2u_{ij}} \times WACC$
normal loss fee	material quantity × loss rate × material unit price	$Q_{ij} \times e_{ij} \times a_{ij}$

$$Storage\ Cost = \sum_{i=1,j=1} Q_{ij} \times \left(\frac{c_{ij}}{2} + \frac{WACC}{2u_{ij}} + a_{ij} \times e_{ij} \right)$$

Total Cost of Ownership Model -- Shortage Cost

Cost Item	Cost Item Description	Calculation Results
explicit cost implicit cost		
shutdown loss	Production downtime losses caused by delayed material supply	X_n
loss sales opportunity cost	loss of delayed delivery caused by inventory shortage of finished products	Y_n

$$Shortage\ Cost = \sum_{n=1} (X_n + Y_n)$$

Total Cost of Ownership Model -- *Supply Chain Cost*

Cost Item	Cost Item Description	Calculation Results
		explicit cost implicit cost
freight	transportation unit price × material quantity × supplier distance	$Q_{ij} \times f \times h_{ij}$
loading and unloading fees	material quantity × unit loading and unloading fee	$Q_{ij} \times k$

$$Supply\ Chain\ Cost = \sum_{i=1,j=1} Q_{ij} \times (f \times h_{ij} + k)$$

Total Cost of Ownership Model -- Quality Cost

Cost Item	Cost Item Description	Calculation Results
testing cost	material quantity × unit testing cost	$Q_{ij} \times l_i$
internal failure cost	scrap rate × average product production quantity × average scrap cost	$m_n \times o_n \times p_n$
external failure cost	return rate × average sales quantity × average return processing cost	$r_n \times s_n \times t_n$

$$Quality\ Cost = \sum_{i=1,j=1} Q_{ij} \times l_i + \sum_{n=1} (m_n \times o_n \times p_n + r_n \times s_n \times t_n)$$

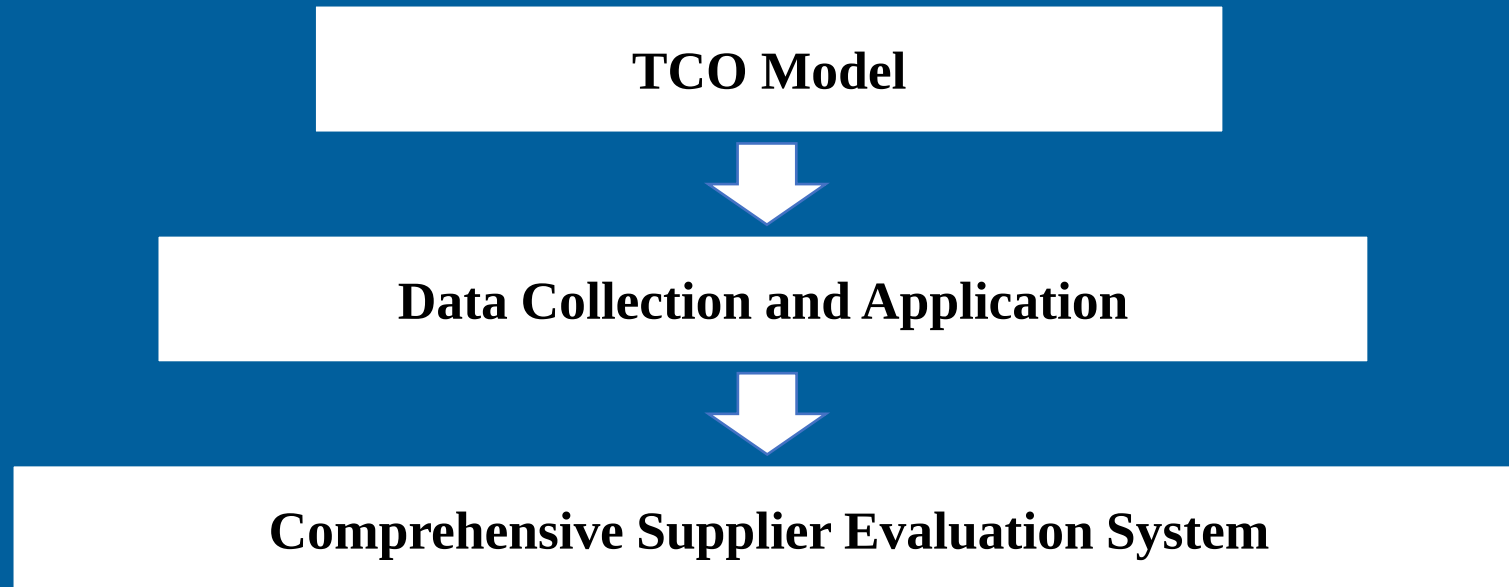
Total Cost of Ownership Model

Cost Category	Calculation Results
Acquisition Cost	$\sum_{i=1,j=1} [Q_{ij} \times (a_{ij} + d_{ij}) + b_{ij} \times u_{ij}]$
+	
Storage Cost	$\sum_{i=1,j=1} Q_{ij} \times \left(\frac{c_{ij}}{2} + \frac{WACC}{2u_{ij}} + a_{ij} \times e_{ij} \right)$
+	
Shortage Cost	$\sum_{n=1} (X_n + Y_n)$
+	
Supply Chain Cost	$\sum_{i=1,j=1} Q_{ij} \times (f \times h_{ij} + k)$
+	
Quality Cost	$\sum_{i=1,j=1} Q_{ij} \times l_i + \sum_{n=1} (m_n \times o_n \times p_n + r_n \times s_n \times t_n)$

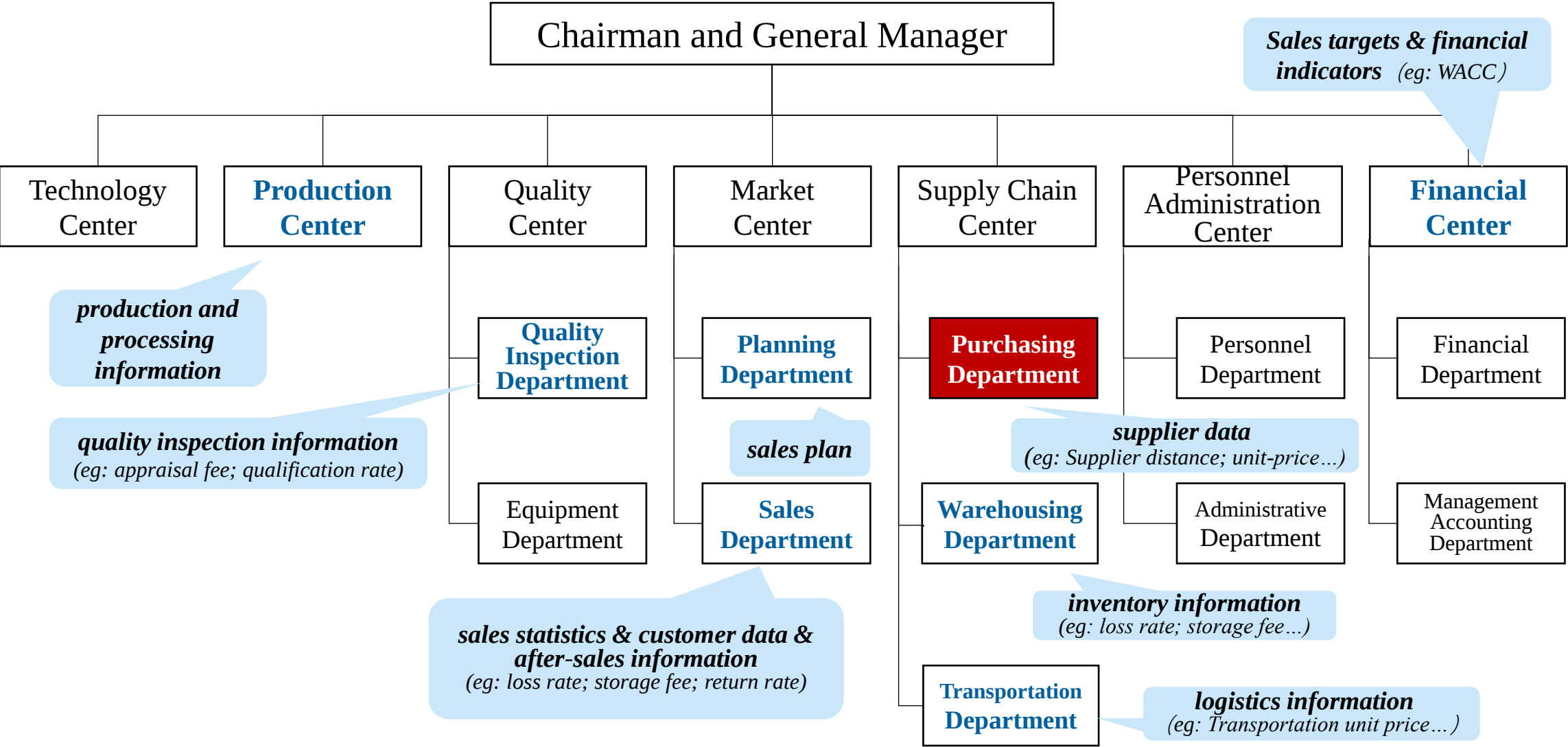
Total Cost of Ownership

$$= \sum_{i=1,j=1} \left\{ Q_{ij} \times \left[a_{ij} + d_{ij} + \frac{c_{ij}}{2} + \frac{WACC}{2u_{ij}} + a_{ij} \times e_{ij} + f \times h_{ij} + k + l_i \right] + b_{ij} \times u_{ij} \right\} + \sum_{n=1} (m_n \times o_n \times p_n + r_n \times s_n \times t_n + X_n + Y_n)$$

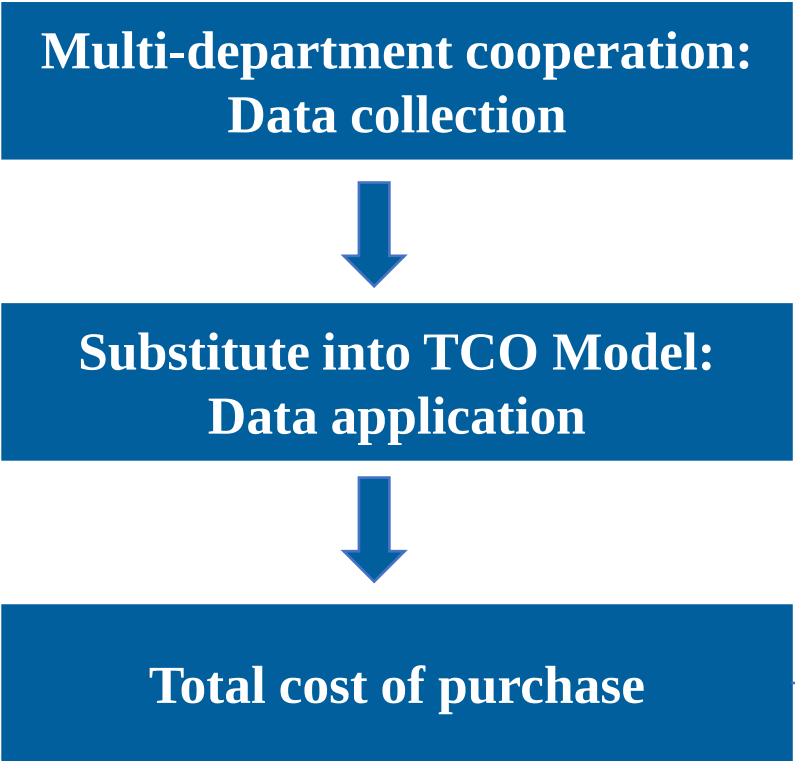
How to apply the TCO model for supplier evaluation?



Data Collection



Application Result & Room for Improvement



Room for Improvement



★ TCO Model

- Each cost item is equally weighted.

★ Refinement Path

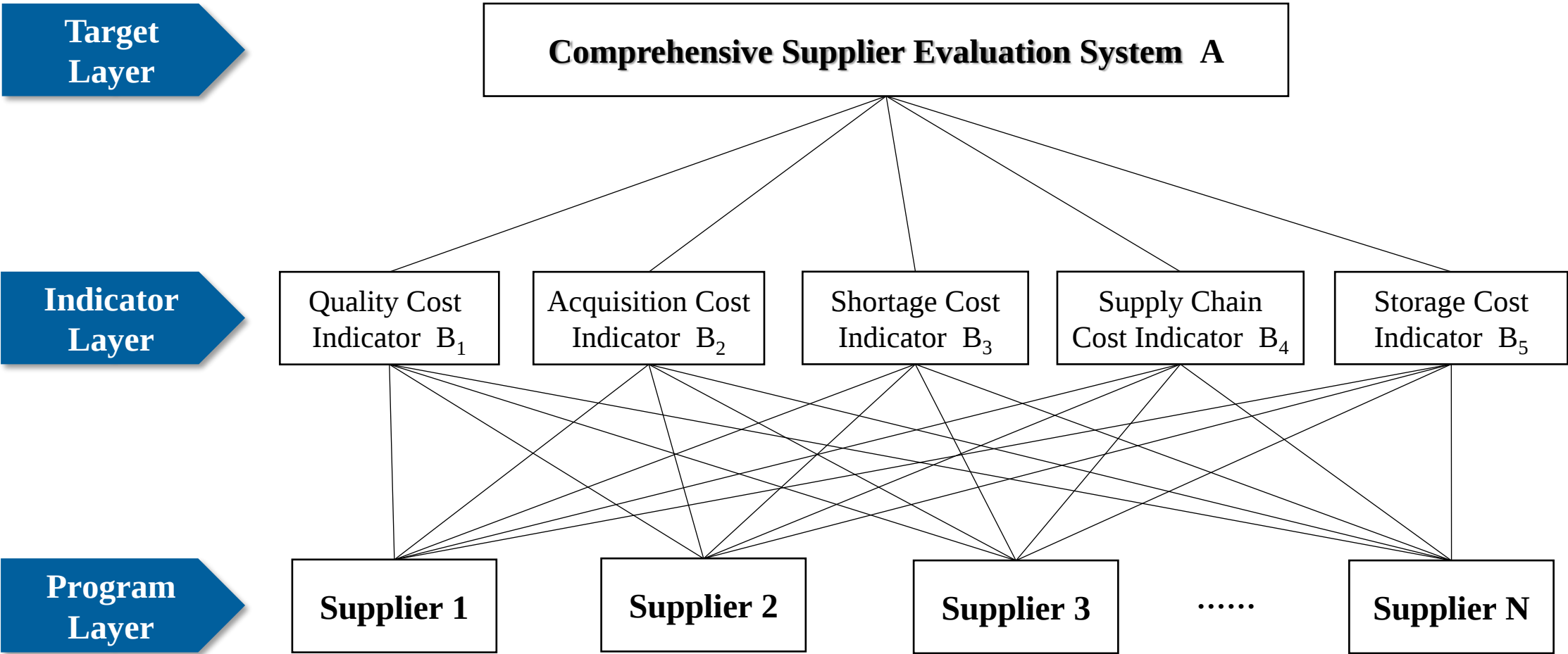
*Empower Weight: Distinguish between
Core and Non-Core Cost Items*

Tiansheng vs Dali

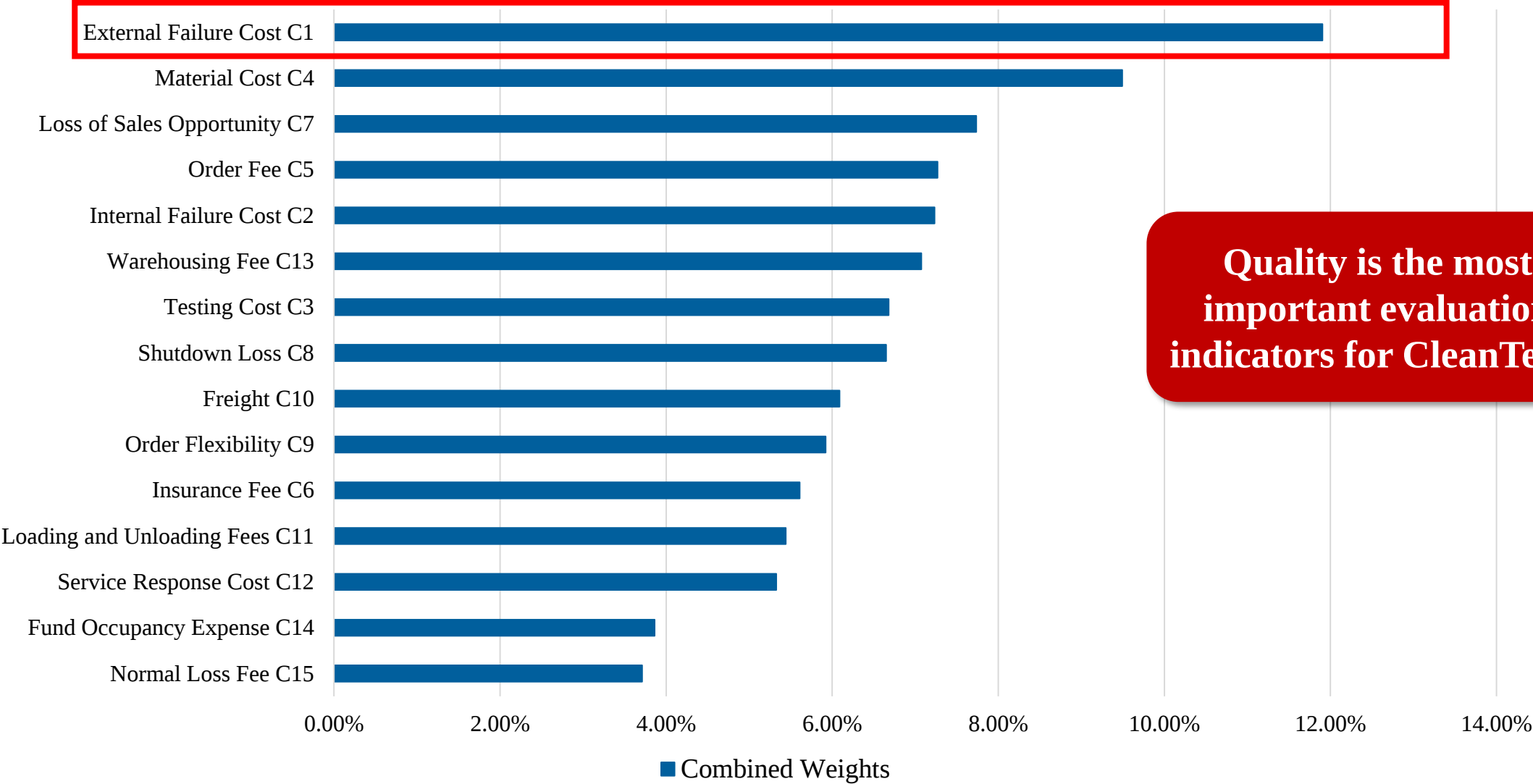
Win!

Refinement: AHP-based Assignment of Weights -- Hierarchical Model

We use AHP to:
Assign Weights to Cost Items - Establish a Comprehensive Supplier Evaluation System



Refinement: AHP-based Assignment of Weights -- Rank the Weights



Check and Correction: DEA-AHP Model



AHP Model

- Highly influenced by the **subjective** choices and **judgments** of decision makers.

DEA Pairwise Comparisons

- ① Two-by-two comparison of candidate suppliers
- ② Calculate the efficiency evaluation index h_{12} and h_{21}



LP1:

$$h_{12} = \text{Max} \sum_{r=1}^s u_r y_{r1}$$
$$\text{st.} \begin{cases} \sum_{r=1}^s u_r y_{rj} \leq 1 & (j = 1, 2) \\ u_r \geq 0 & (r = 1, 2, \dots, s) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

LP2:

$$h_{21} = \text{Max} \sum_{r=1}^s u_r y_{r2}$$
$$\text{st.} \begin{cases} \sum_{r=1}^s u_r y_{rj} \leq 1 & (j = 1, 2) \\ u_r \geq 0 & (r = 1, 2, \dots, s) \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

- * For any supplier j ($j=1, 2, \dots, n$), there are s types of outputs.
- * y_{rj} ($r = 1, 2, \dots, s$) is the output volume of the j th supplier for the r th output.



AHP Sorting

- ① Construct judgment matrix based on relative efficiency ratio
- ② Calculate the ranking vector of candidate suppliers



$$a_{12} = h_{12} / h_{21}$$
$$a_{21} = h_{21} / h_{12} \quad (3)$$
$$a_{11} = 1$$

Tips

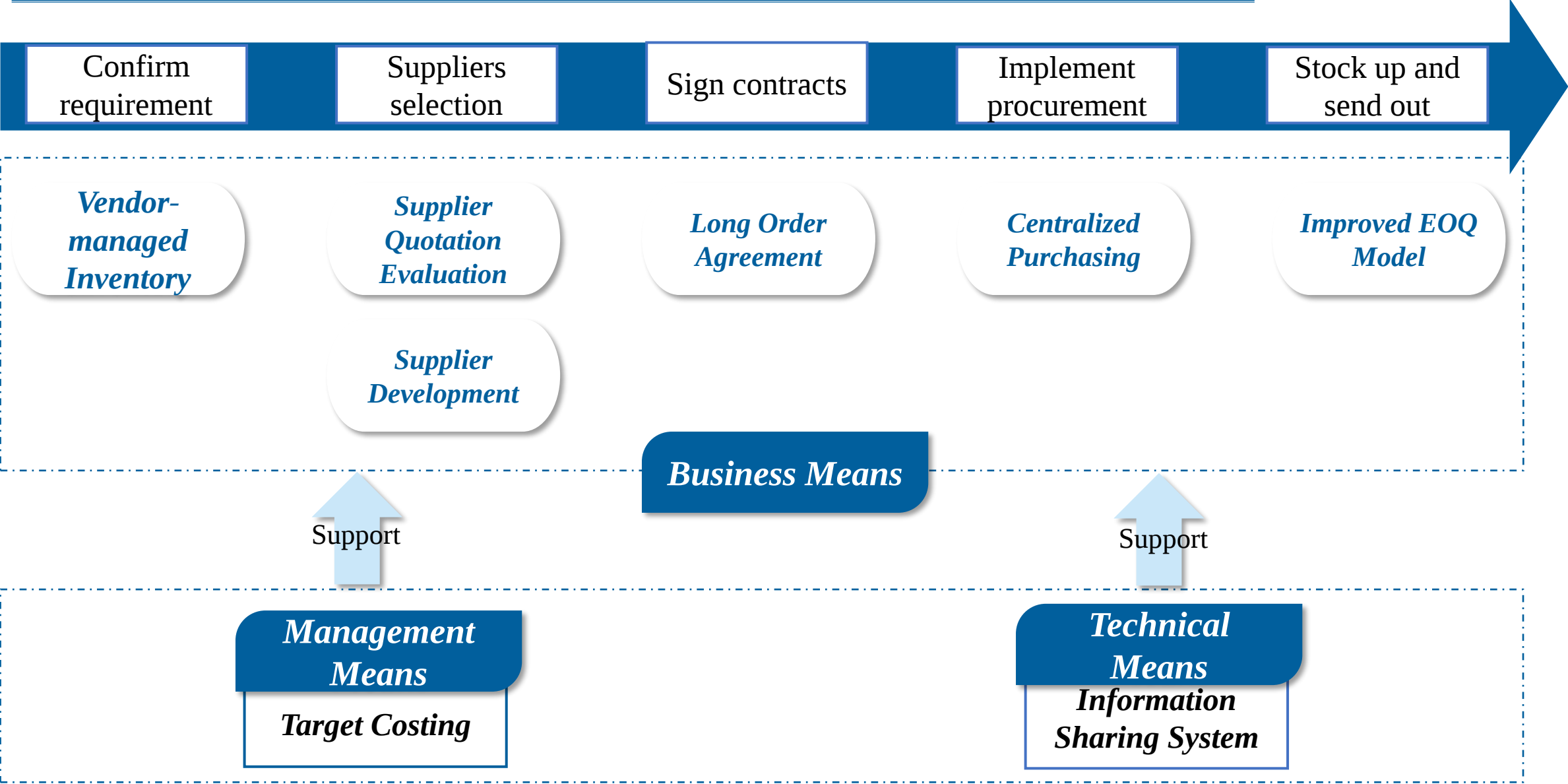
Judgment Matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Reduce the Influence of Subjective Factors

Issue 3
Cost Reduction Practice
-- from Finance to Business

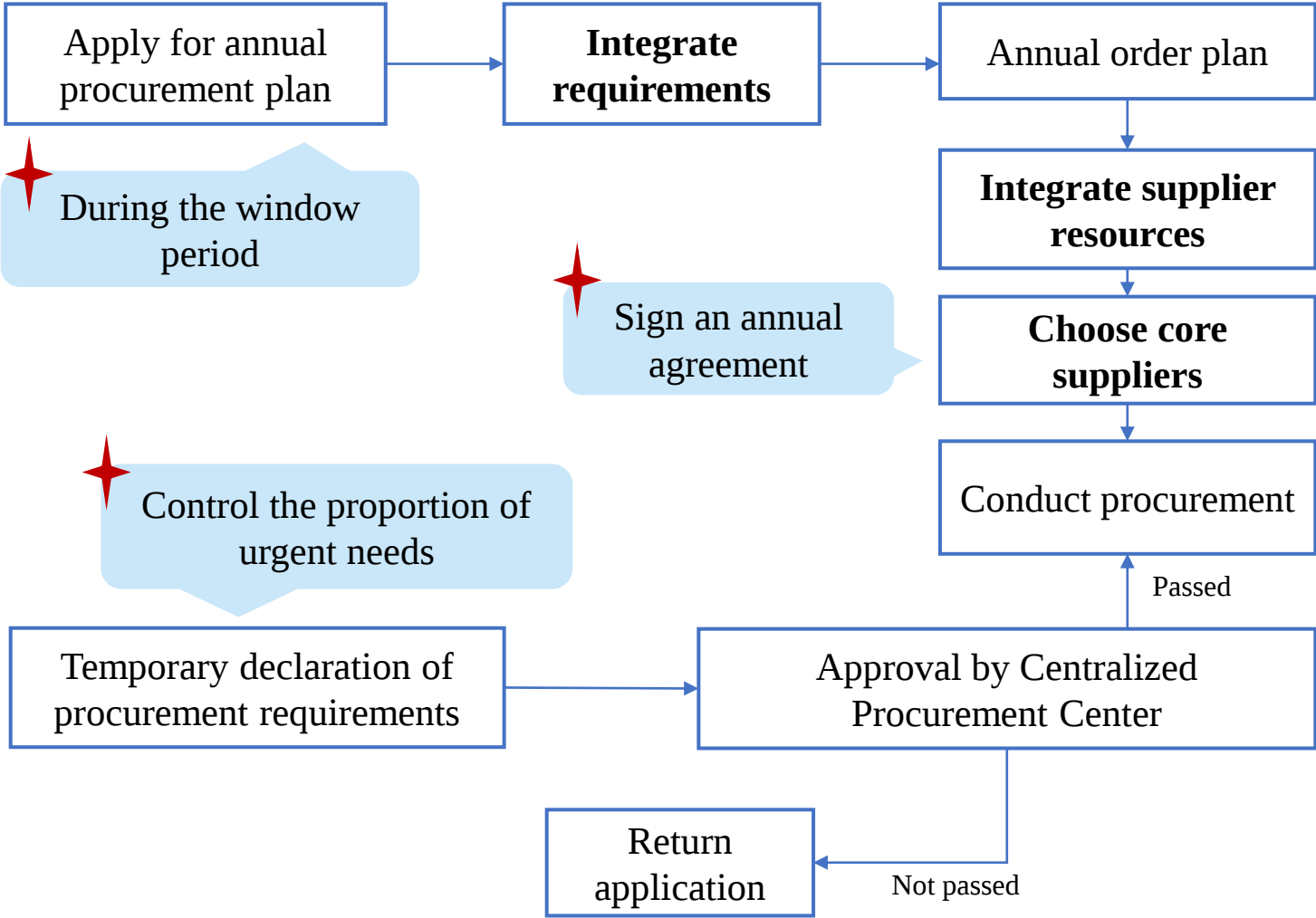
Business Strategy Overview



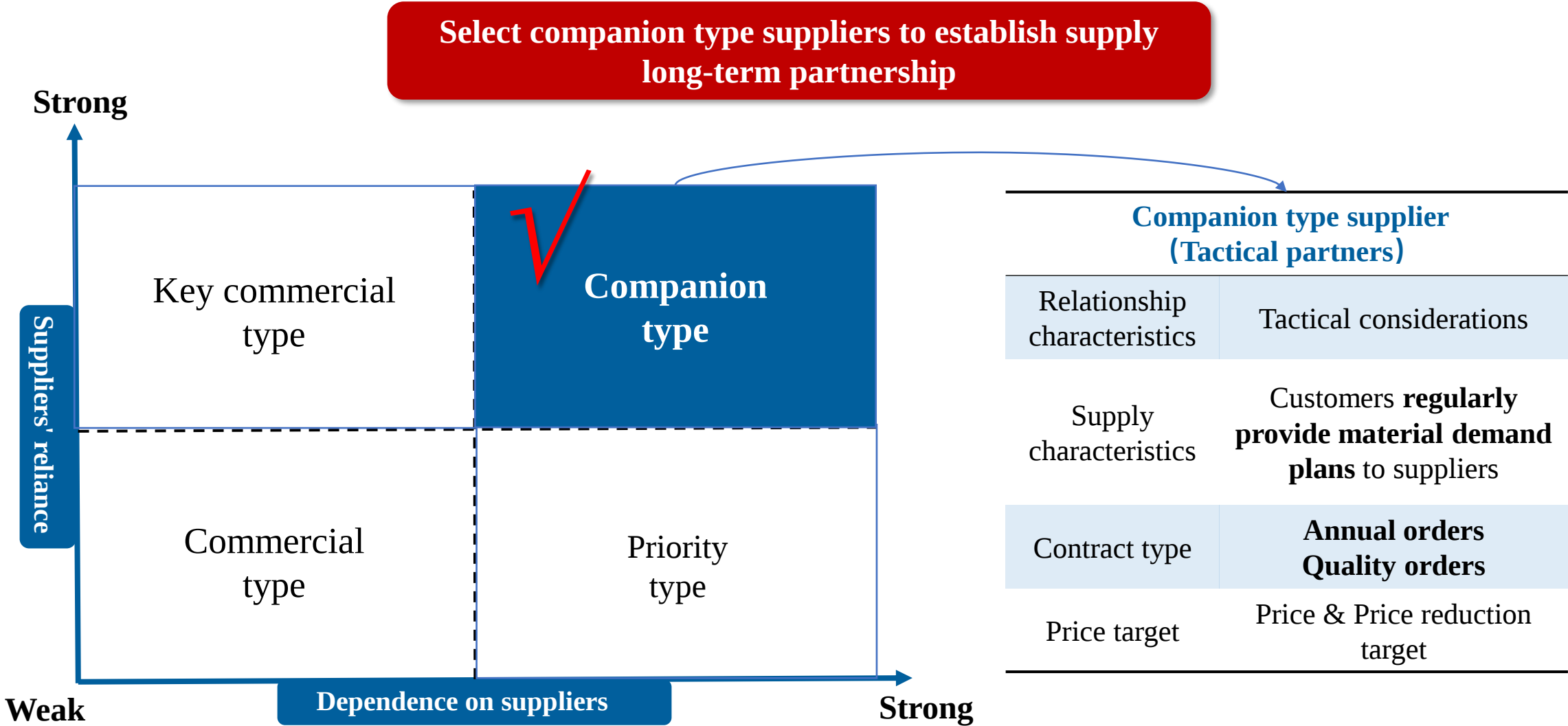
Problem 3.1-Business Means: *Centralized Purchasing*

Problems

Standard parts :
small batch &
multi suppliers



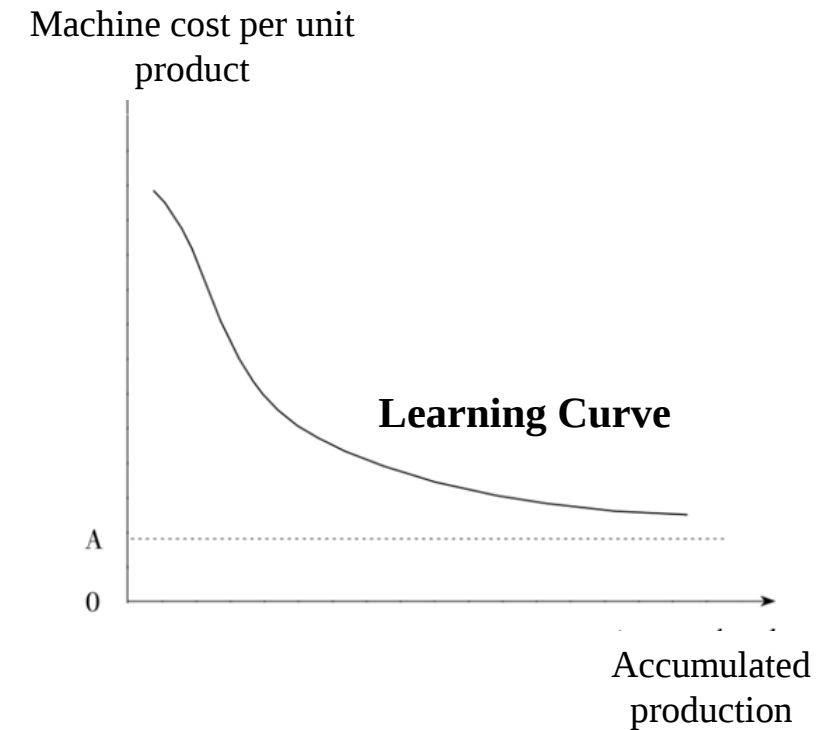
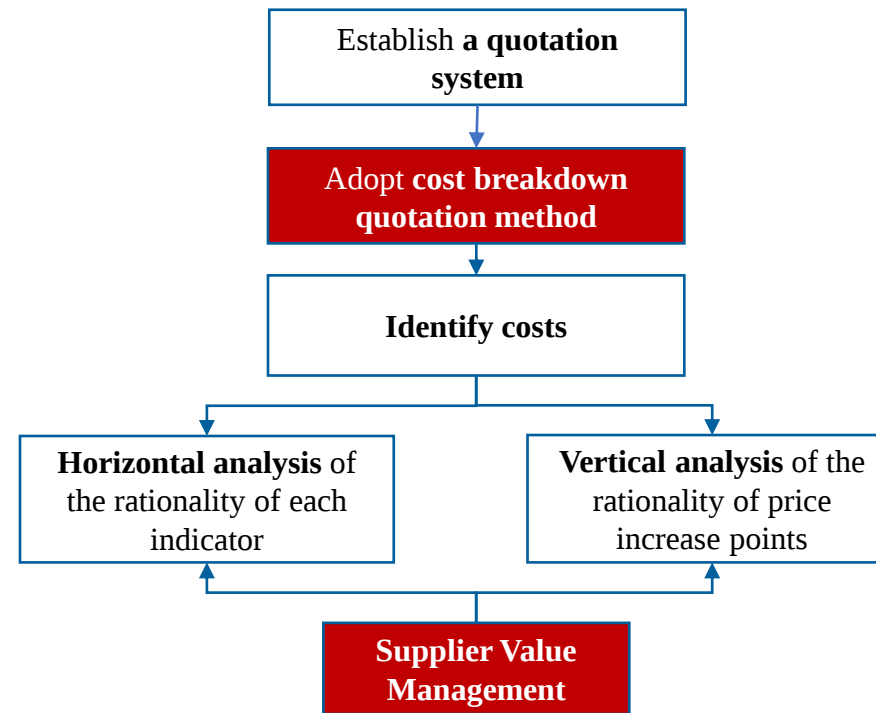
Problem 3.1-Business Means: *Centralized Purchasing*



Problem 3.2-Business Means: *Supplier Quotation Evaluation*

Problems

Outsourcing
suppliers
increase prices



Cost Split Quotation

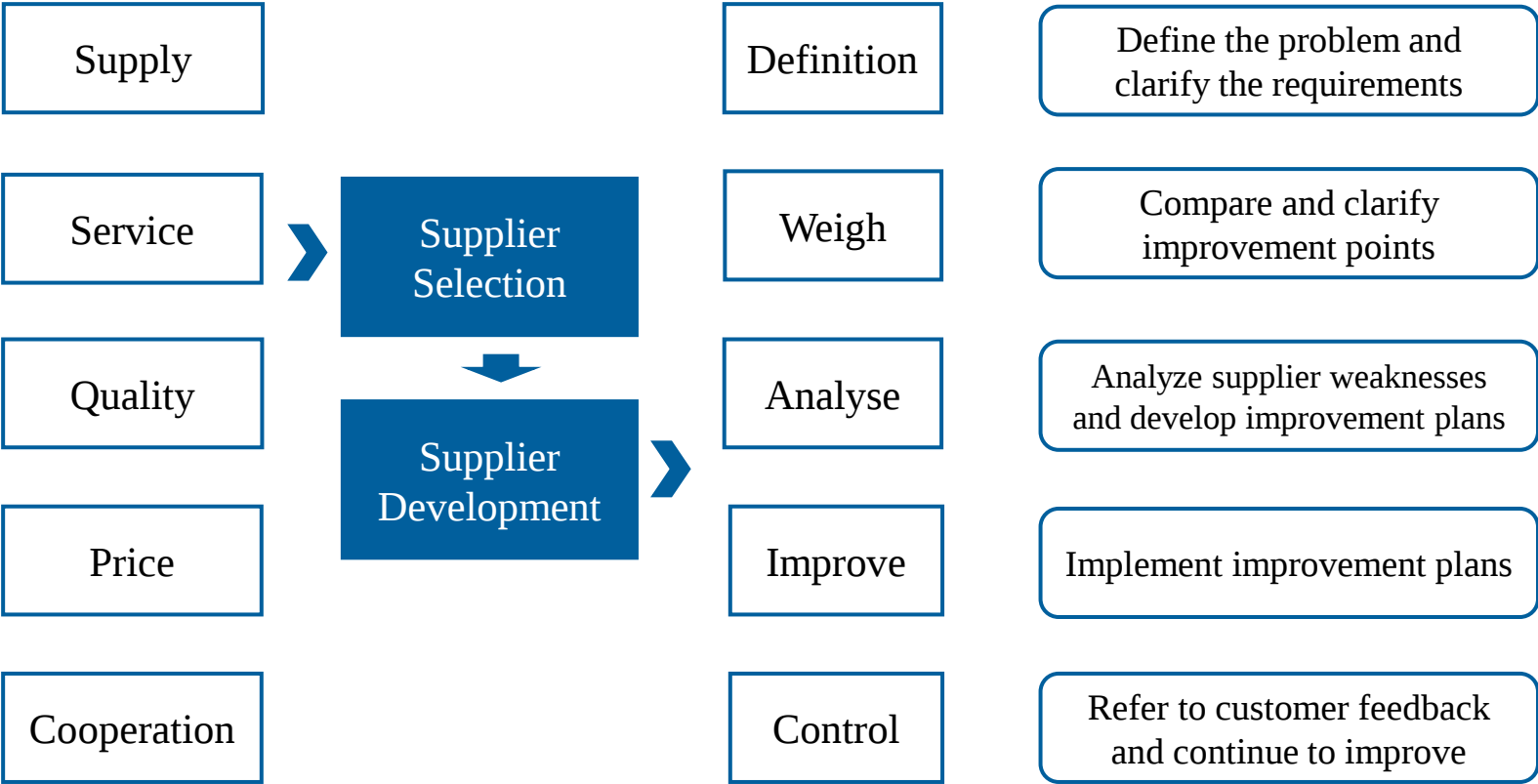
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Problem 3.2-Business Means: *Supplier Development*

Problems

Outsourcing
suppliers
increase prices

Refuse to rely on a single supplier & Select lower-priced suppliers for development to establish strategic partnerships

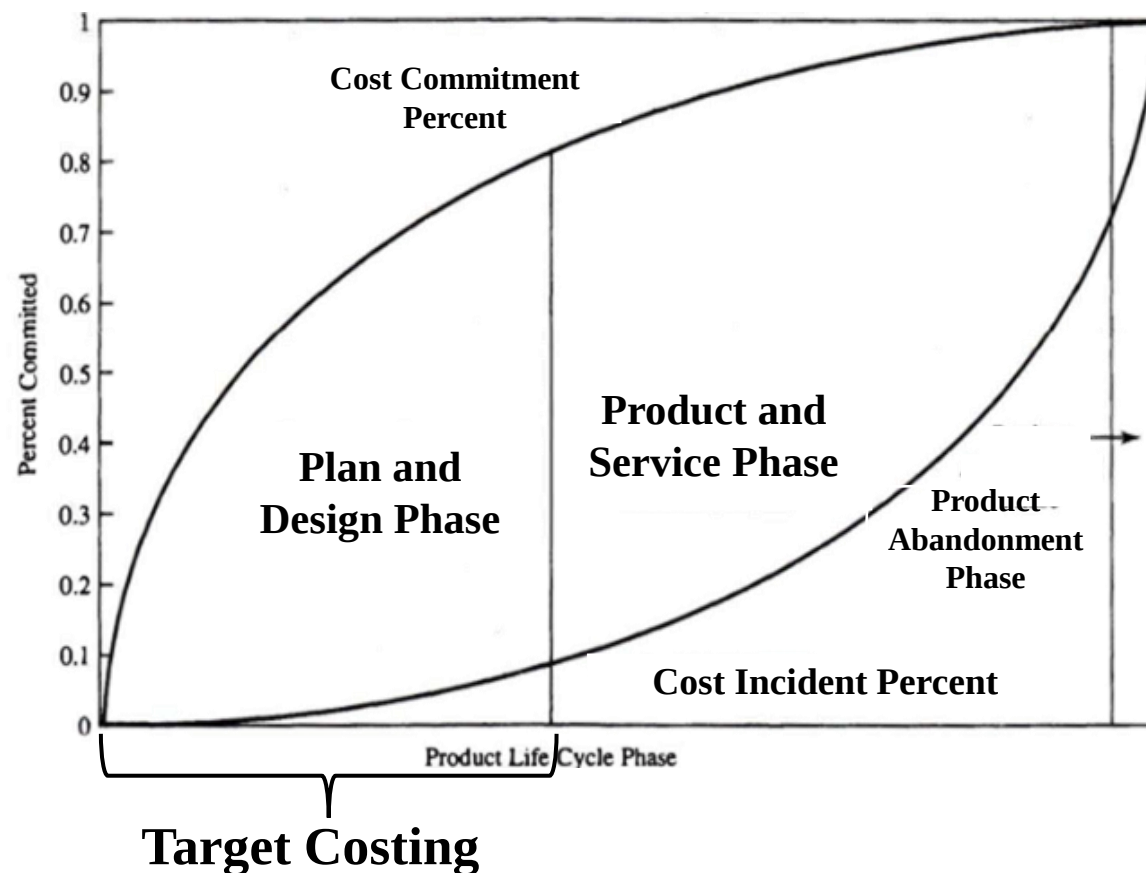


Problem 3.3 – Management Means: *Target Costing*

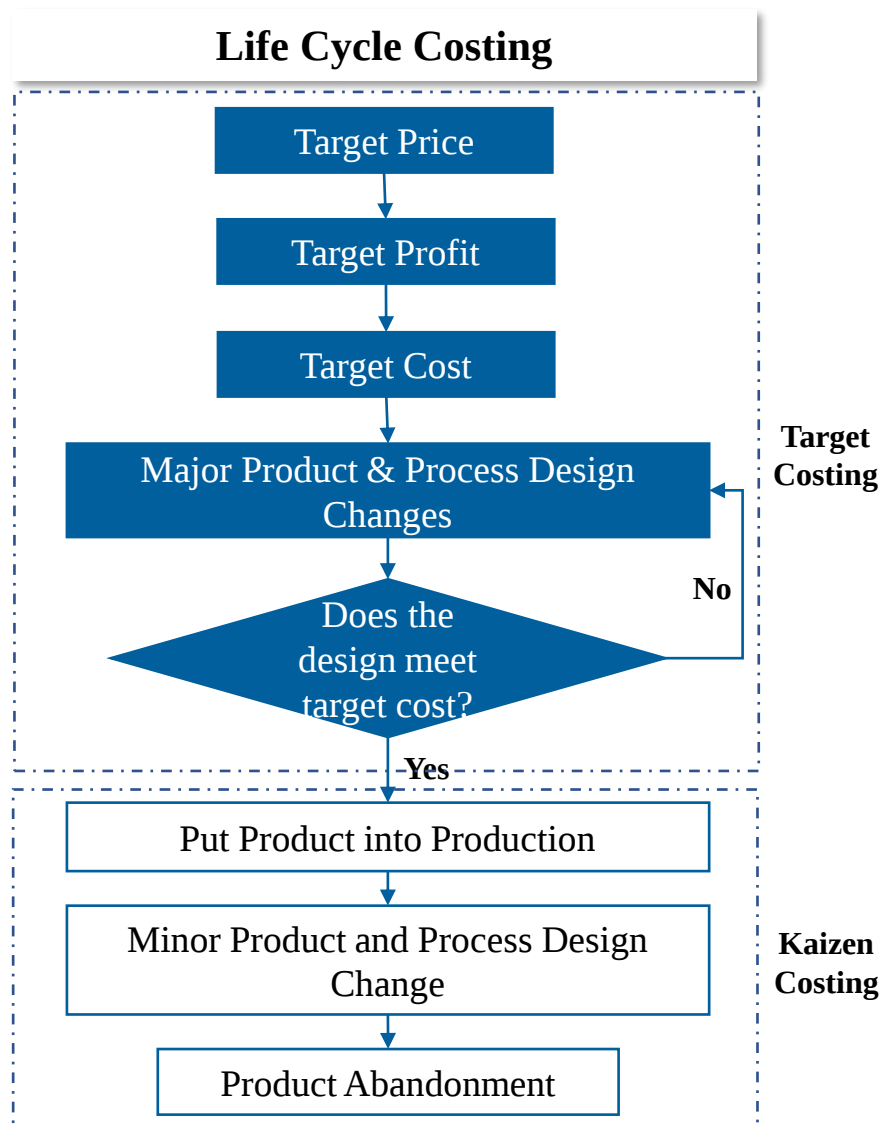
Problems

Quotation of competitor is 10% lower than us, our weight of junction box is unreasonable

Realize Cost Control at Plan and Design Phase



Problem 3.3 – Management Means: *Target Costing*



Cleantech needs to improve product & process design

Tear down analysis - Benchmarking

Competitor's price is 10% lower



Quality Function Deployment - Understand Customer's Need

Weight is 20% higher than competitors,
not relevant with customer's need



Value Engineering - Value Optimization

Suppliers involve in design $\Rightarrow$ Reduce weight $\Rightarrow$ Reduce Cost Per Piece



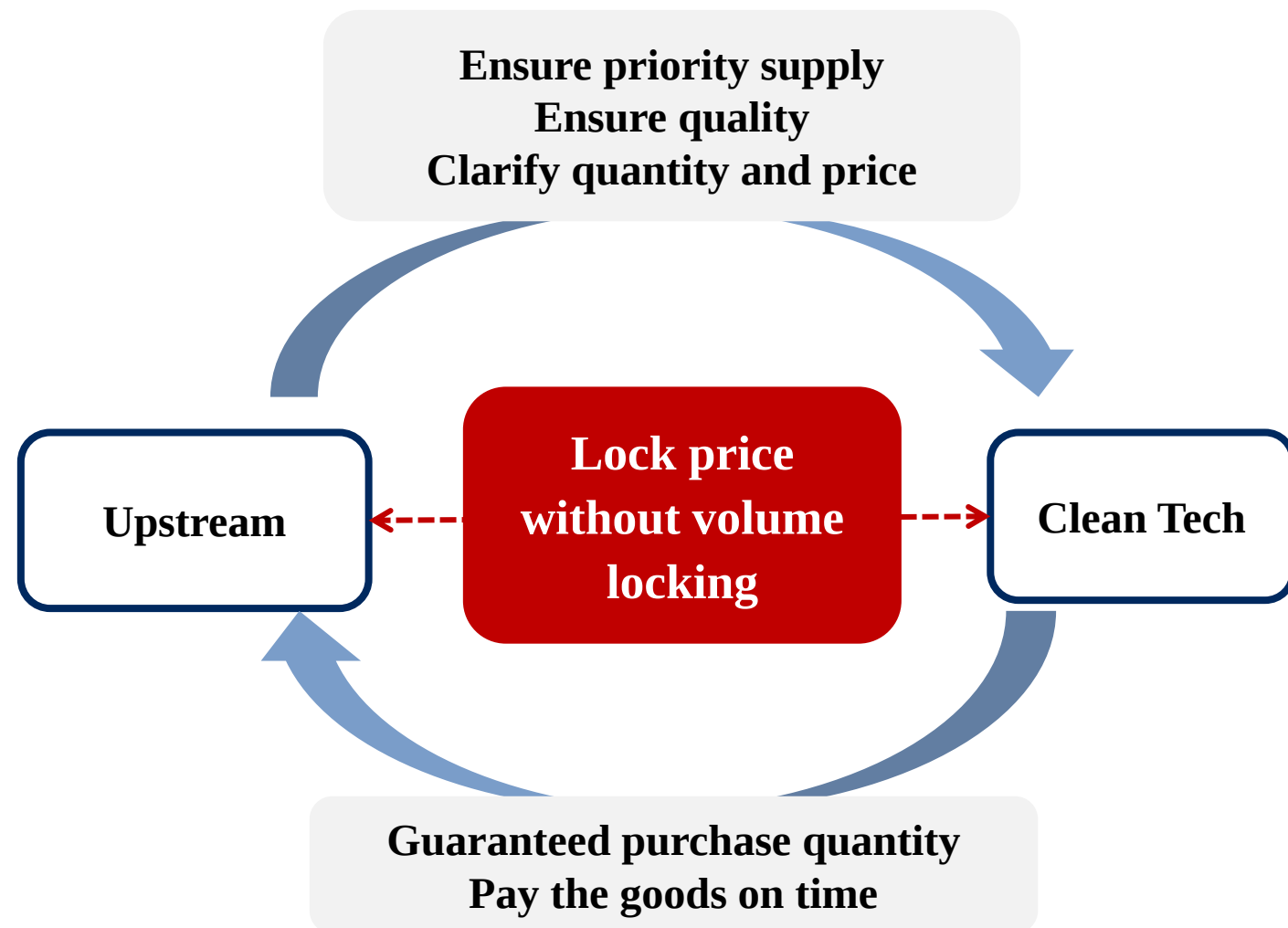
Reengineering - Optimize Process Design

Problem 3.4 – Business Means: *Long Order Agreement*

Problems

9%^① price
increase of plastic
particles, whether
stock large amount
or not?

① referred from QC Solar



Problem 3.4 –Management Means: *Improved EOQ Model*

Problems

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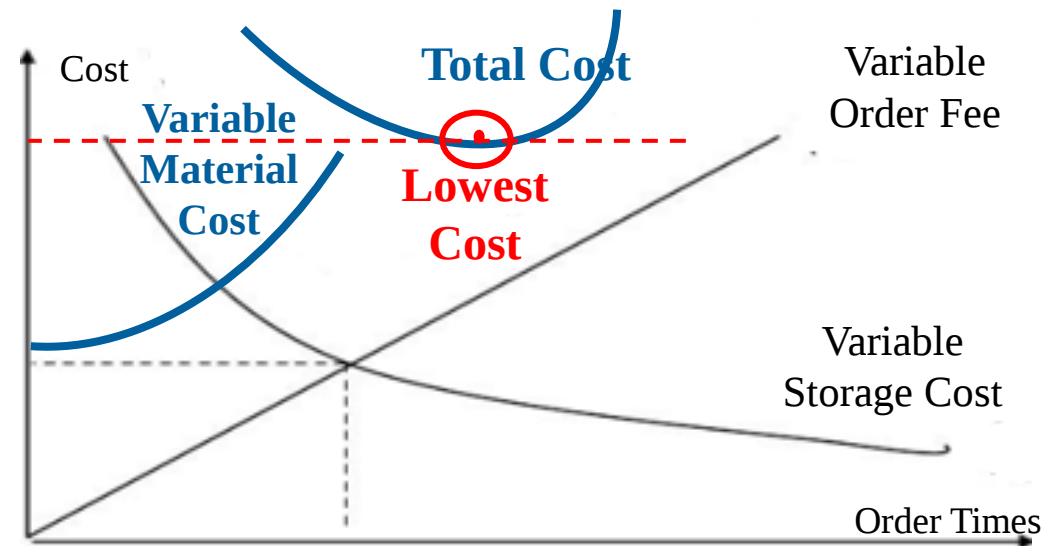
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Use data to forecast price growth

Hypotheses for Cleantech:

- H1: Price of raw material increases;
- H2: There is no leading time of procurement;
- H3: There is no insurance reserves for cleantech;
- H4: Timely supply and consumption.

Improved EOQ Model



Use improved EOQ to determine storage and order cycle

Problem 3.5 – Management Means: *Vendor-managed Inventory (VMI)*

Problems

Unstable of
procurement cycle
of diodes, how to
reduce shortage
risk?

VMI is difficult to execute, is it feasible for Cleantech?

To successfully use VMI, Cleantech and supplier should:

- Have advanced information systems;
- Establish a strategic partnership;
- Sign framework agreement.

	QC Solar	TongLin Electric
Information systems	✓	✓
Strategic partnership	×	✓
Framework agreement	×	✓
VMI	×	✓

Peer companies partly use VMI, it is feasible.

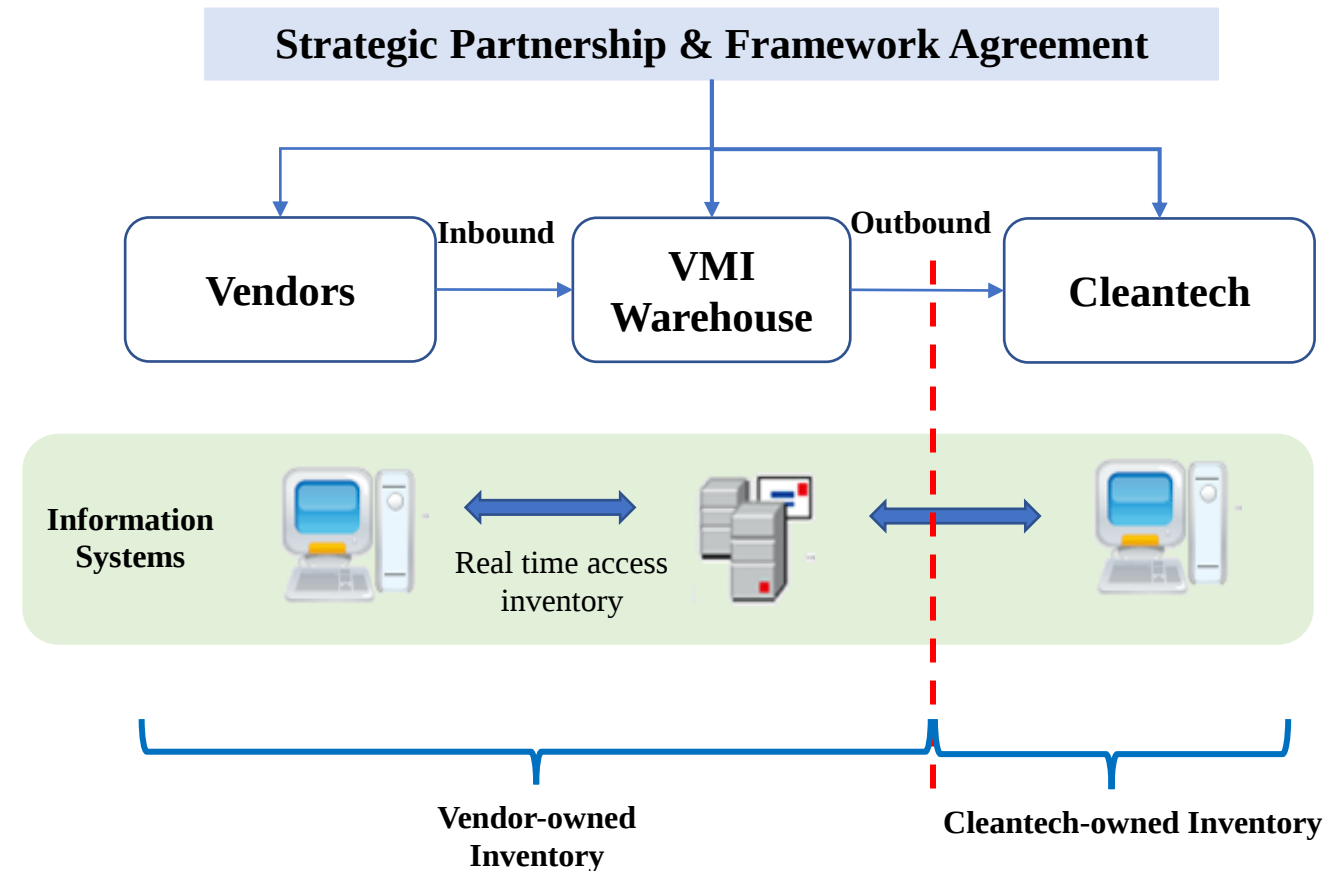
Cleantech can try VMI!

Problem 3.5 – Management Means: *Vendor-managed Inventory (VMI)*

Bullwhip Effect deteriorate order fluctuation and increase inventory storage cost



Increase fluctuation & storage cost



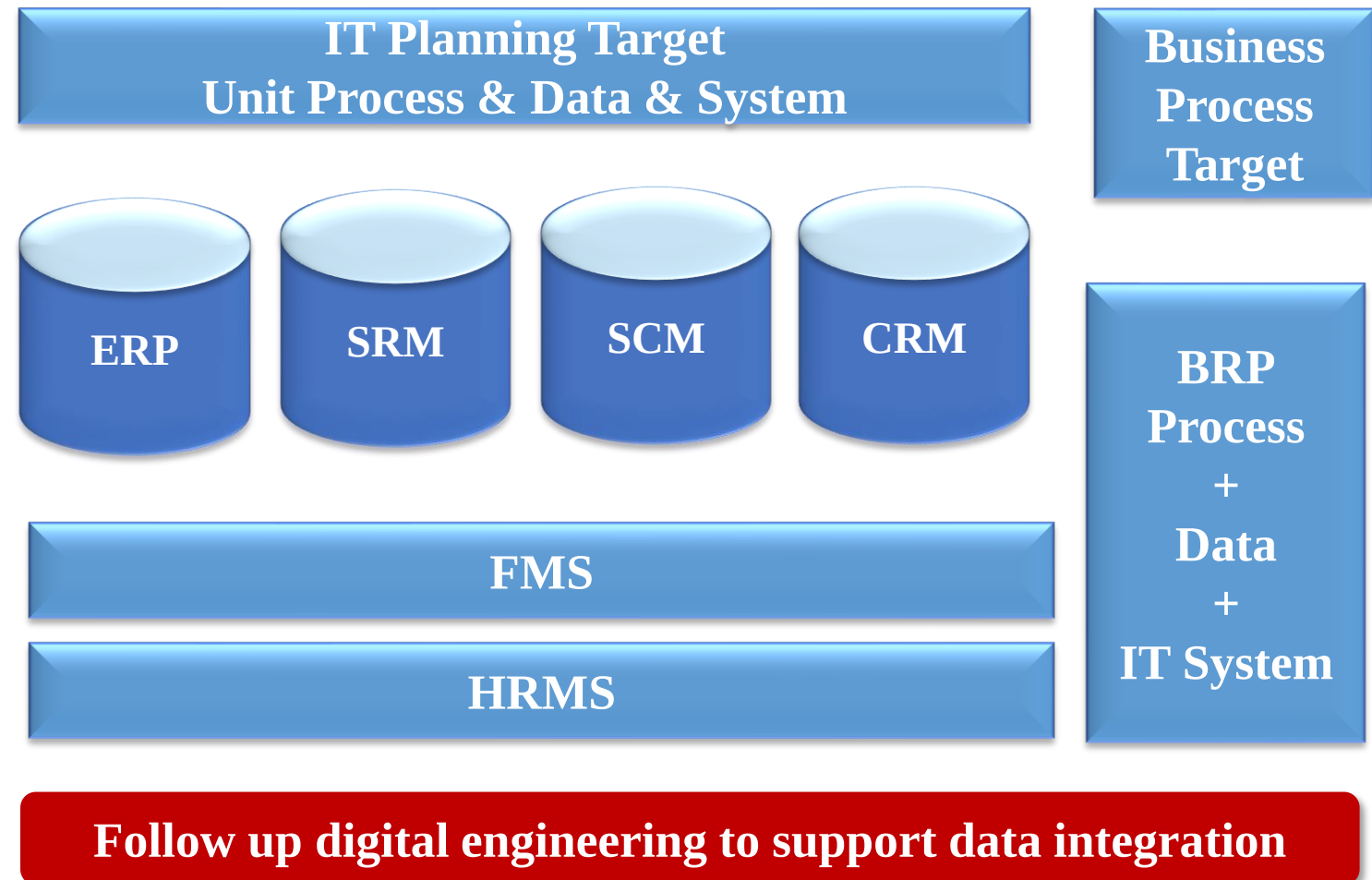
VMI reduces inventory costs by inhibiting Bullwhip Effect

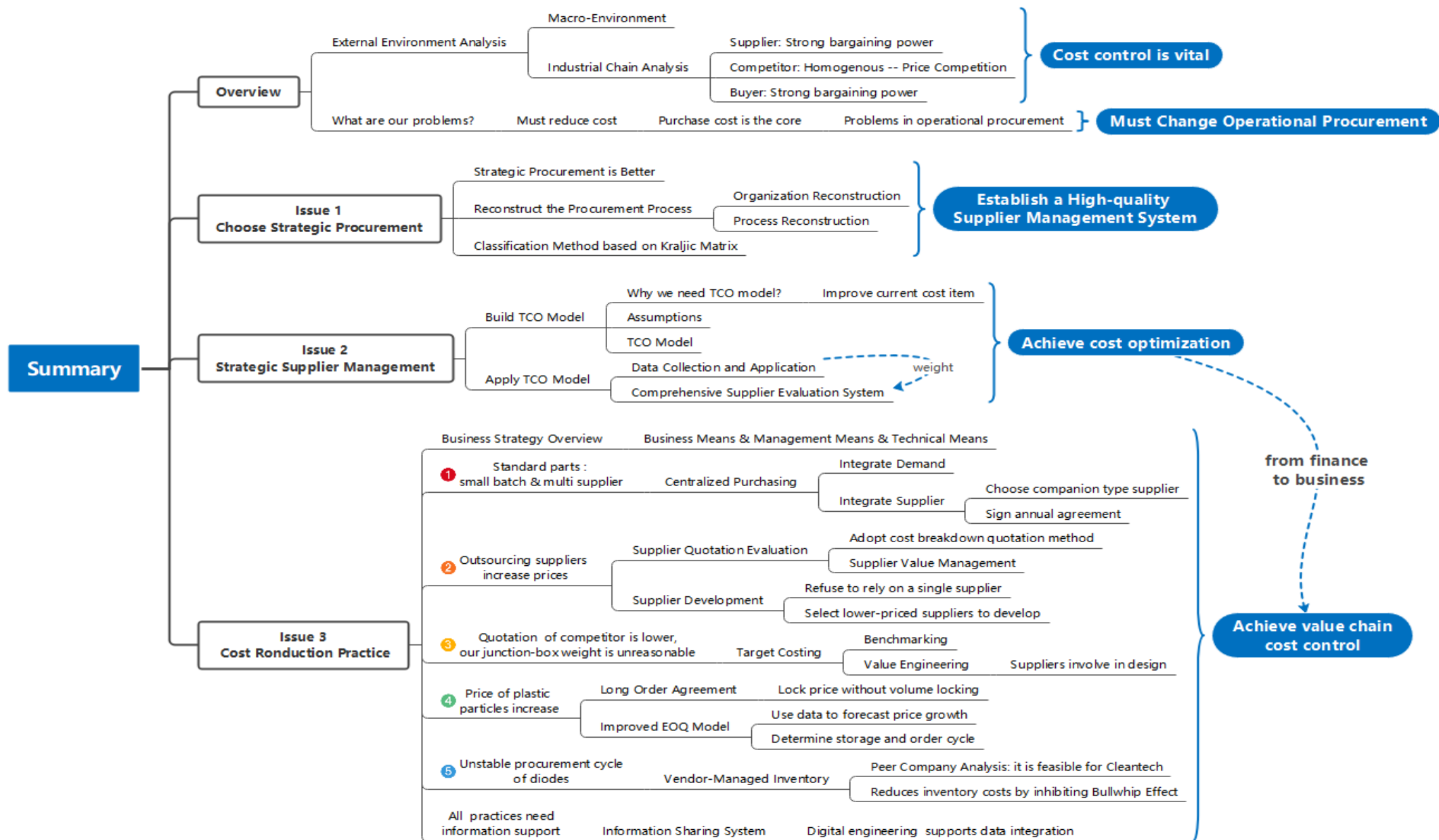
Technical Means: *Build Information Sharing System*

Problems

All practices
need information
support

Information Sharing System







“Strategic Procurement TCO” + “Value Chain Cost Control”
*From Finance to Business,
Cleantech will successfully control cost!*

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Annex1: Questionnaire on the Importance of Indicators

Scale	Meaning
1	Both factors are of equal importance.
3	Compared to the latter, the former is slightly more important.
5	Compared to the latter, the former is clearly more important.
7	Compared to the latter, the former is strongly more important.
9	Compared to the latter, the former is absolutely more important.
2,4,6,8	The compromise of the above adjacent values.
Countdown	The ratio of the importance of factors m to n is A_{mn} and the ratio of the importance of factors n to m is $A_{nm} = 1/A_{mn}$.

- Please fill in the numbers below the slant in the table below, the gray part of the results can be automatically generated without filling in.
- Reference example: If the quality indicators in the table below are significantly more important than the price indicators, then fill in 5 in row B2 and column B1.

	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
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B2		1			
B3			1		
B4				1	
B5					1

Annex2: AHP-based Assignment of Weights -- Comprehensive Weights

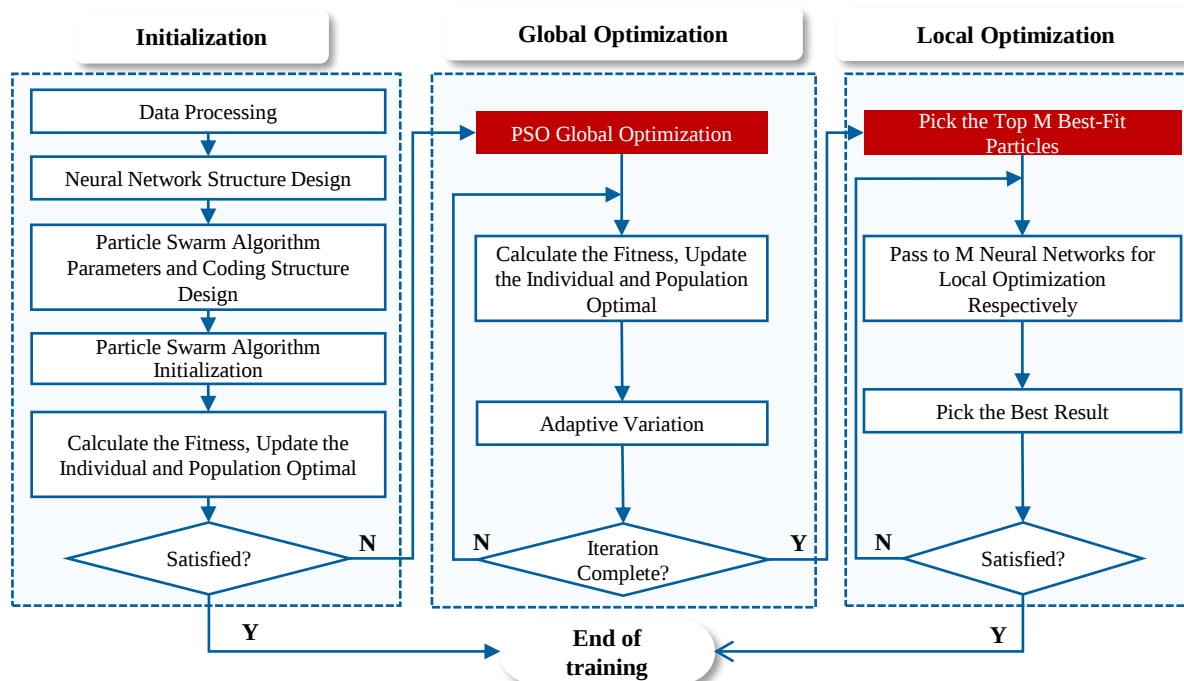
Target Layer	Guideline Level 1 Indicators	Weights	Guideline Level 2 Indicators	Weights	Combined Weights
Supplier Comprehensive Evaluation Index System A	Quality Cost Indicator B ₁	25.82%	External Failure Cost C ₁	46.11%	11.90%
			Internal Failure Cost C ₂	28.02%	7.23%
			Testing Cost C ₃	25.88%	6.68%
	Acquisition Cost Indicator B ₂	22.37%	Material Cost C ₄	42.44%	9.49%
			Order Fee C ₅	32.50%	7.27%
			Insurance Fee C ₆	25.07%	5.61%
	Shortage Cost Indicator B ₃	20.31%	Loss of Sales Opportunity C ₇	38.09%	7.74%
			Shutdown Loss C ₈	32.75%	6.65%
			Order Flexibility C ₉	29.16%	5.92%
	Supply Chain Cost Indicator B ₄	16.86%	Freight C ₁₀	36.12%	6.09%
			Loading and Unloading Fees C ₁₁	32.27%	5.44%
			Service Response Cost C ₁₂	31.61%	5.33%
	Storage Cost Indicator B ₅	14.65%	Warehousing Fee C ₁₃	48.30%	7.07%
			Fund Occupancy Expense C ₁₄	26.37%	3.86%
			Normal Loss Fee C ₁₅	25.33%	3.71%

Annex3: Hybrid PSO-Adam Neural Network

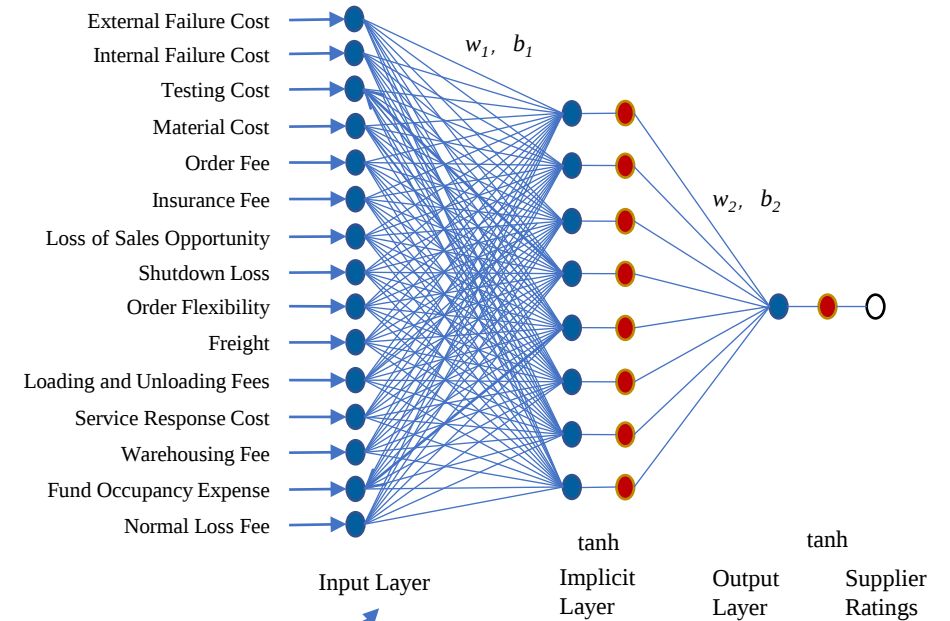


- External suppliers are decentralized, diverse, dynamic and combinatorial.
- DEA-AHP Model** is difficult to resolve **complex** environments and choices.

Block Diagram



Supplier Evaluation



Adapt to the current complex outsourcing environment and improve evaluation efficiency