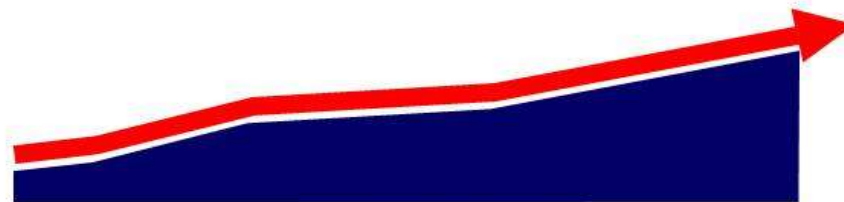


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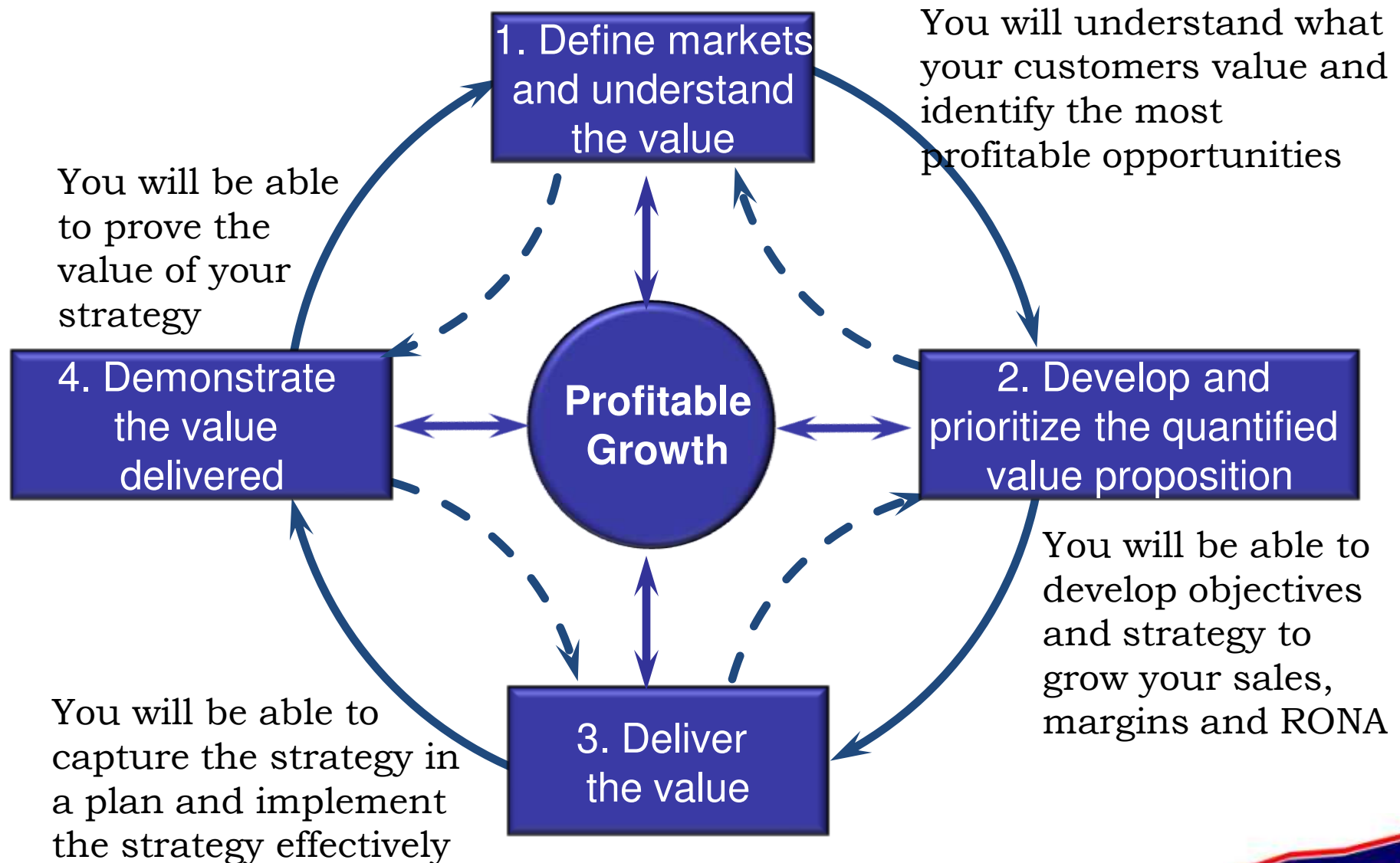
Market Segmentation – A Quick Method

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# The Profitable Growth Process™



# Market Segmentation – Quick Method

## **Quick method to conduct a needs-based segmentation for the 1<sup>st</sup> stage in the Profitable Growth Process**

Step 1: Write down the main benefits sought by customers

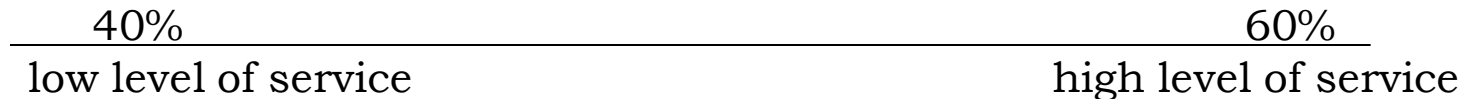
- ✓ Hygiene factors are benefits that any product or service must have to be acceptable in the market; try to ignore these.
- ✓ Motivators are those benefits that contribute towards the customer's decision about which product to buy; take the 'motivators' and choose the 2 main ones.

Step 2: Draw two straight horizontal lines and make an estimate of the percentage of customers at each end.

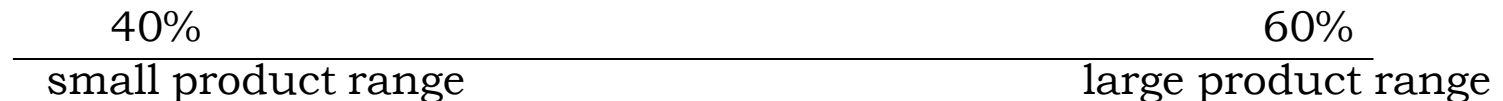
Step 3: Take the left hand point of the first horizontal line and drag it over the second horizontal line, to make a cross.

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So, for example, if service level is a key motivator of what is bought:

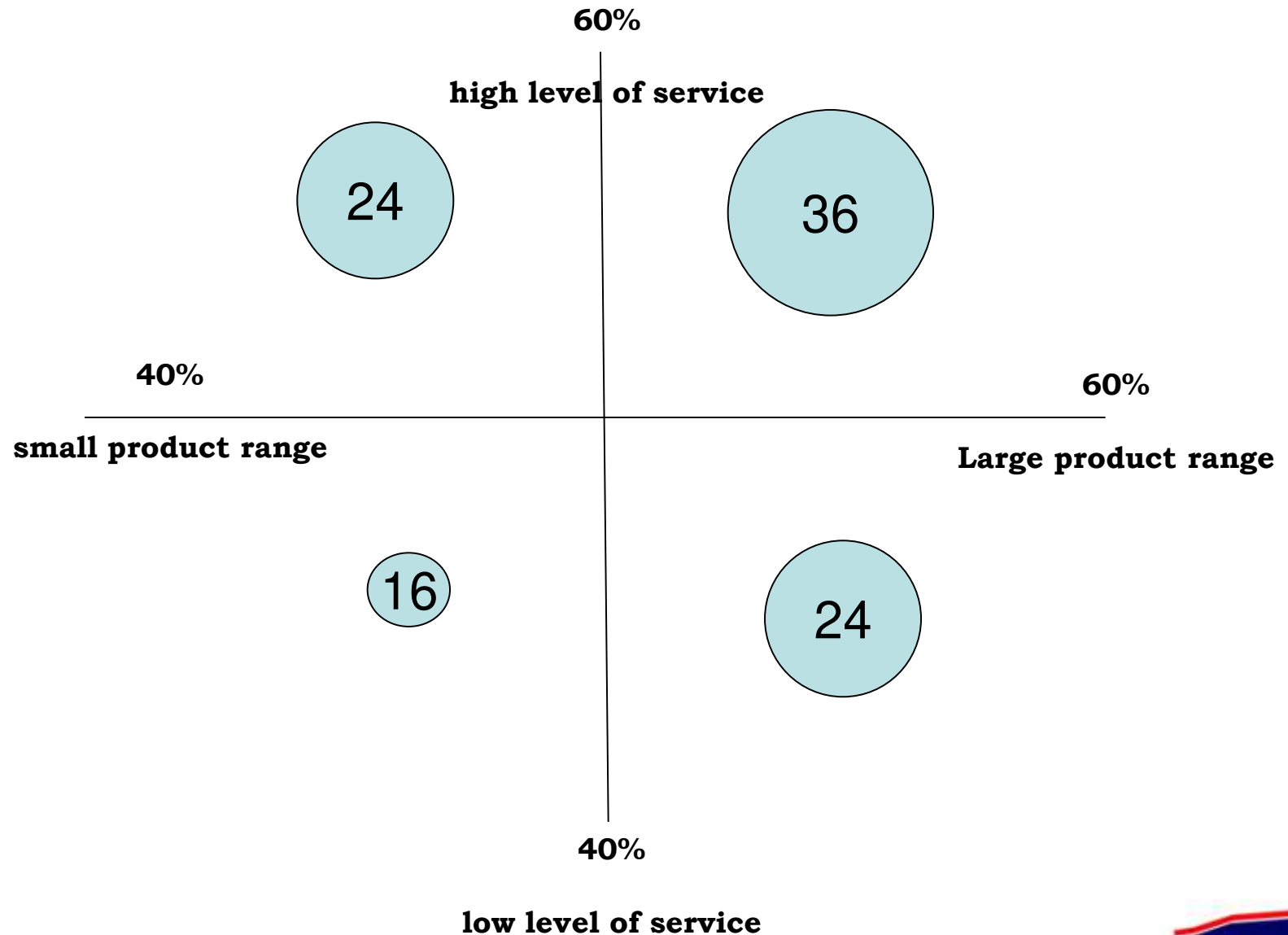


Likewise, if the breadth of the product range is a key motivator:



Now, for step 3, take the left hand point of the first horizontal line and drag it over the second horizontal line, to make a cross (see the figure in next slide...).

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The circles represent segments in the market. To produce these:

- ✓ Starting at the top, and moving in a clockwise direction, multiply 60% by 60% to give 36% (see first circle).
- ✓ Then multiply 60% by 40% to give 24% (see second circle).
- ✓ Then multiply 40% (the bottom of the vertical axis) by 40% to give 16% (see third circle).
- ✓ Lastly, multiply 40% by 40% to give 16% (see fourth circle).

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## Interpretation

- ✓ The 1st segment (36%), the biggest segment, requires both high service and a large product range.
- ✓ The second segment (24%) prefers a large product range and is less interested in service.
- ✓ The third segment (16%), doesn't care much about either a large product range or service.
- ✓ The fourth segment (24%) prefers good service and is less interested in a large product range.
- ✓ Although not essential, you might consider giving each segment a name.

## Action

- ✓ Ensure your 'offer', including the product, price, service and promotion reflect the differing needs of each segment.

# Quick Method Example – A4 Copier Paper

An example of segmentation of the A4 paper market is below. Please note that if, as in the case of the A4 paper market, there is one very large segment (in this case 56%), the exercise can be repeated for just this large segment, resulting in seven segments in total.

- ✓ Service delivery
  - Fast, paper always ‘there’ – point of delivery availability of products; service levels
- ✓ Product fit for purpose
  - High quality print finish for colour copiers; consistency of quality; paper that doesn’t screw up in the machine; print definition; no waste
- ✓ Environmental factors
  - Recyclable
- ✓ Level of support
  - Delivered in small lots; consignment stock; easy ordering {on-line}; delivered to difficult locations



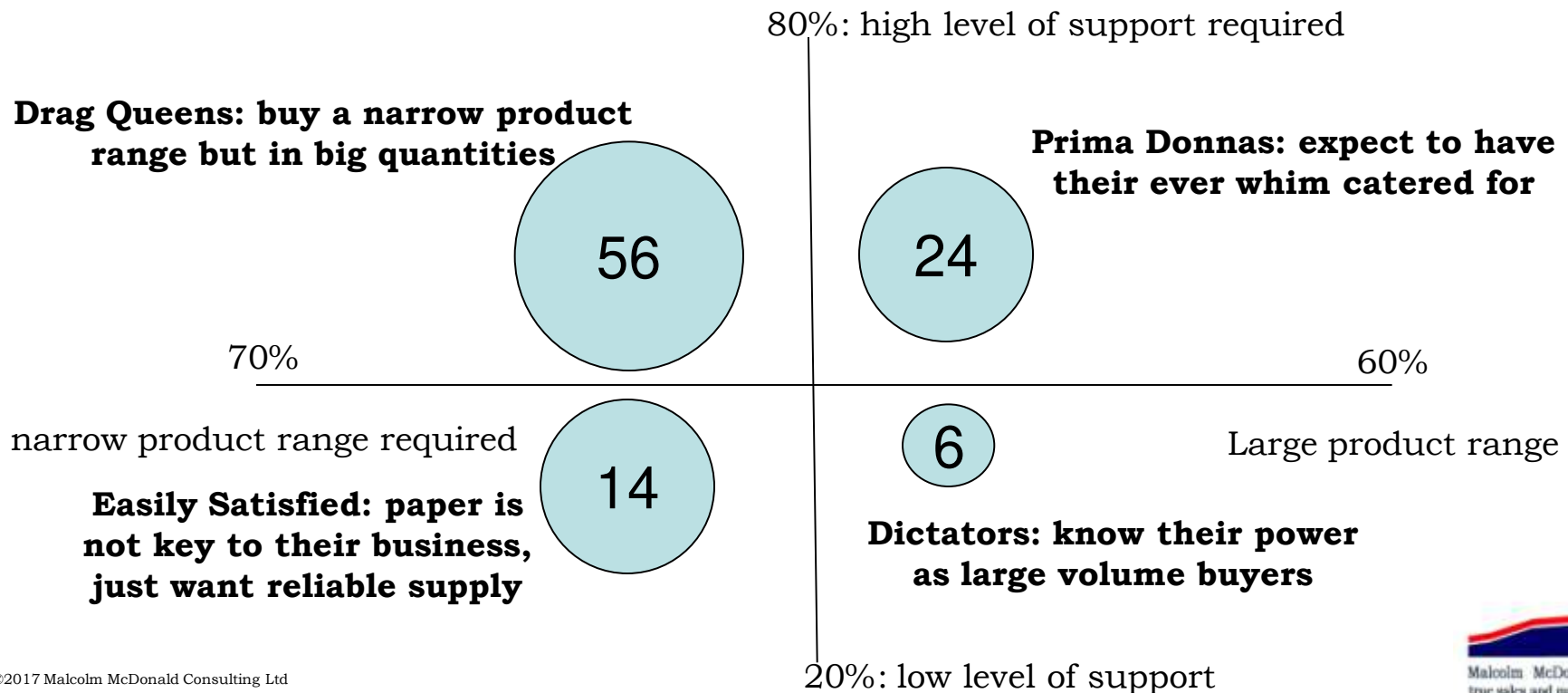
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20%  
low (less demanding)

80%  
high (wants lots of support)

40%  
small (buy narrow product range)

60%  
large (buy large product range)



# Our value proposition

**Boardroom proficiency** We bring insights to your boardroom after many years of working with top leaders in world class companies across industries, and in all regions of the world.

**Unique know-how** We quickly transfer our knowledge, skills deep understanding of strategic sales and marketing, by deploying our unique toolbox of best-selling books, online marketing games, white papers and articles, methodologies, business models, workshops and keynote addresses.

**Proven track record** The portfolio of services is founded on deep state-of-the-art research at top Business Schools, and methodologies and models, based on this research, have been proven to work in the market place.

**Partnership for value** We deliver substantial ROI, together with enjoyable learning experience, by partnering with your project teams as trusted outside expert, or as an embedded business partner, or any point in between.



**To summarise, our value proposition consists of end-to-end interaction, from Board level to your internal project team, in getting the fundamentals right in sales effectiveness and strategic marketing, all within budget and the agreed deadline.**

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- BUPA
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- Hitachi
- IBM
- Mercedes-Benz
- Oracle
- Siemens
- Standard Bank
- Shell
- Tesco
- Tetra Pak
- Tyco
- United Utilities
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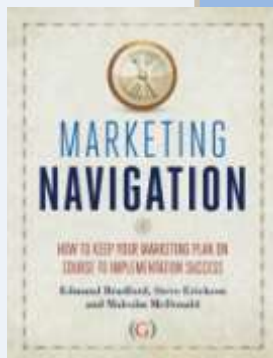
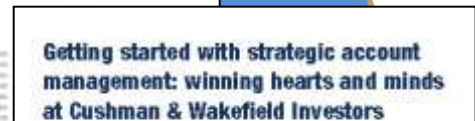
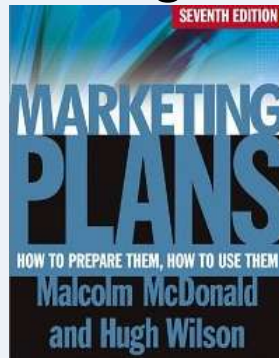
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