6. Adapting Organizations to Today's Markets

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Outline of the chapter

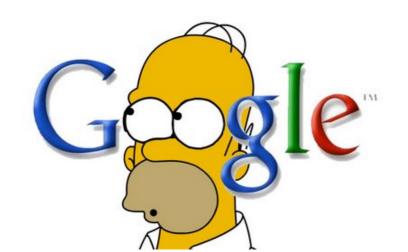
- basic principles of organizational management
- comparing the organizational theories of Fayol and Weber
- structuring organizations
- organizational models

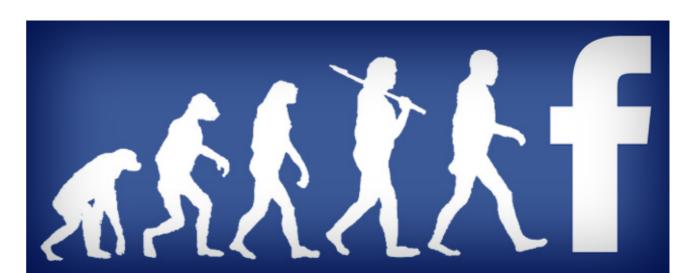


Organization management

What is happening today to American businesses?

- they are adjusting to changing markets
- normal function in capitalist economy
- big winners vs. big losers:
 - Google, Facebook, etc.
- the key to success:
 - remaining flexible and adapting to the changing times





Organization management

What are the principles of organization management?

- Structuring an organization:
 - division of labor (job specialization)
 - set up teams or departments (departmentalization)
 - assign responsibility and authority
- Allocate resources:
 - such as funds
 - assign specific tasks
 - establishing procedures for accomplishing the organizations objectives
- Managers have to make ethical decisions about how to treat workers.

Compare Organizational theories

HENRI FAYOL



- Henri Fayol, a French industrialist, is now recognised as the Father of Modern Management.



Table 2.1 Fayol's 14 Universal Principles of Management

- 1. Division of work. Specialization of labor is necessary for organizational success.
- 2. Authority. The right to give orders must accompany responsibility.
- Discipline. Obedience and respect help an organization run smoothly.
- 4. Unity of command. Each employee should receive orders from only one superior.
- Unity of direction. The efforts of everyone in the organization should be coordinated and focused in the same direction.
- Subordination of individual interests to the general interest. Resolving the tug of war between personal and organizational interests in favor of the organization is one of management's greatest difficulties.
- Remuneration. Employees should be paid fairly in accordance with their contribution.
- Centralization. The relationship between centralization and decentralization is a matter of proportion; the optimum balance must be found for each organization.
- Scalar chain. Subordinates should observe the formal chain of command unless expressly authorized by their respective superiors to communicate with each other.
- 10. Order. Both material things and people should be in their proper places.
- Equity. Fairness that results from a combination of kindliness and justice will lead to devoted and loyal service.
- Stability and tenure of personnel. People need time to learn their jobs.
- 13. Initiative. One of the greatest satisfactions is formulating and carrying out a plan.
- 14. Esprit de corps. Harmonious effort among individuals is the key to organizational success.

The Nature of Bureaucracy

- Weberian Model Developed by German sociologist Max Weber, who viewed bureaucracies as rational, hierarchical organizations in which decisions are based on logical reasoning.
 - Organized hierarchically and governed by formal procedures
 - Power flows from the top downward



Weber's principles

pyramid-shaped organization structure

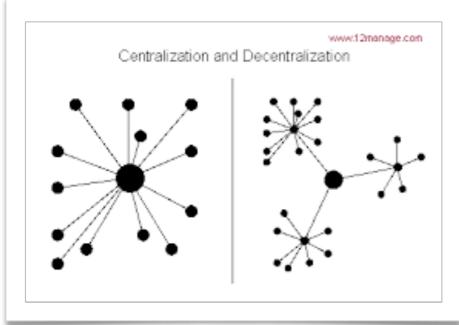


Typical structure of an organization

- put great trust in managers and felt the firm would do well if employees simply did what they were told
- for the employees the less decision making they had to do, the better
- reasonable way to operate if you are dealing with relatively uneducated and untrained workers (such was generally the case at the time Weber was writing)
- job description
- written rules, decision guidelines
- consistent procedures, regulations, and policies
- promotion based on qualifications

Structuring organizations

What are the four major choices in structuring organizations?

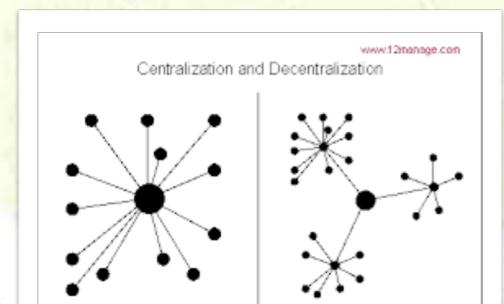


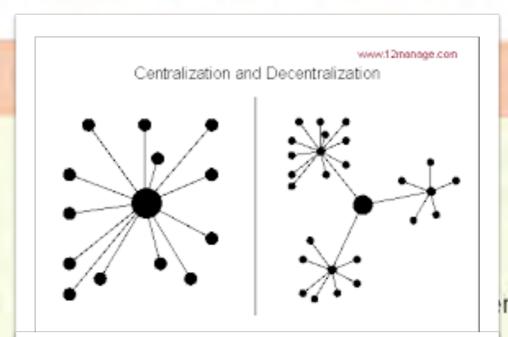
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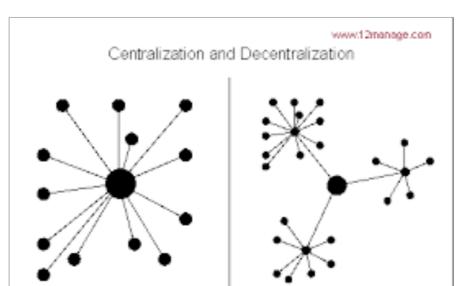
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Centralized

- Greater top-management control
- More efficiency
- Simpler distribution system
- Stronger brand/corporate image





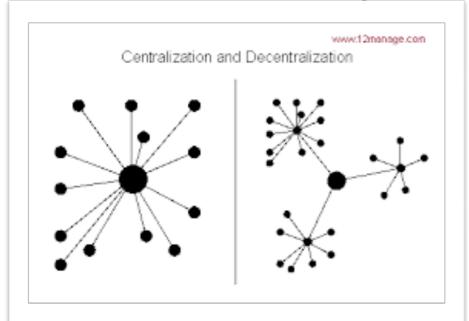


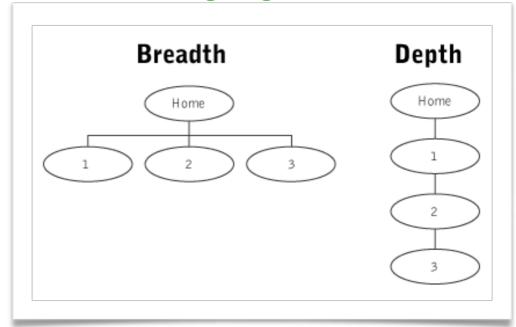
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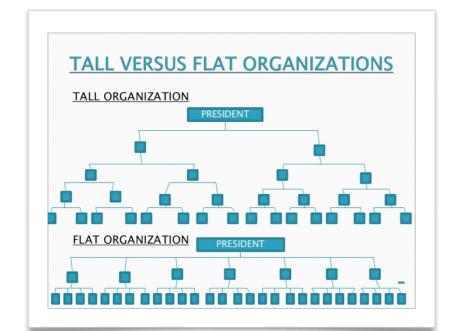
ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
Centralized	
Greater top-management control	 Less responsiveness to customers
More efficiency	 Less empowerment
 Simpler distribution system 	 Interorganizational conflict
 Stronger brand/corporate image 	 Lower morale away from headquarters
Decentralized	
 Better adaptation to customer wants 	Less efficiency
 More empowerment of workers 	 Complex distribution system
Faster decision making	Less top-management control
Higher morale	Weakened corporate image

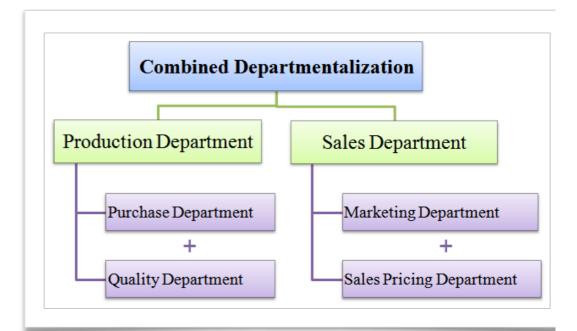
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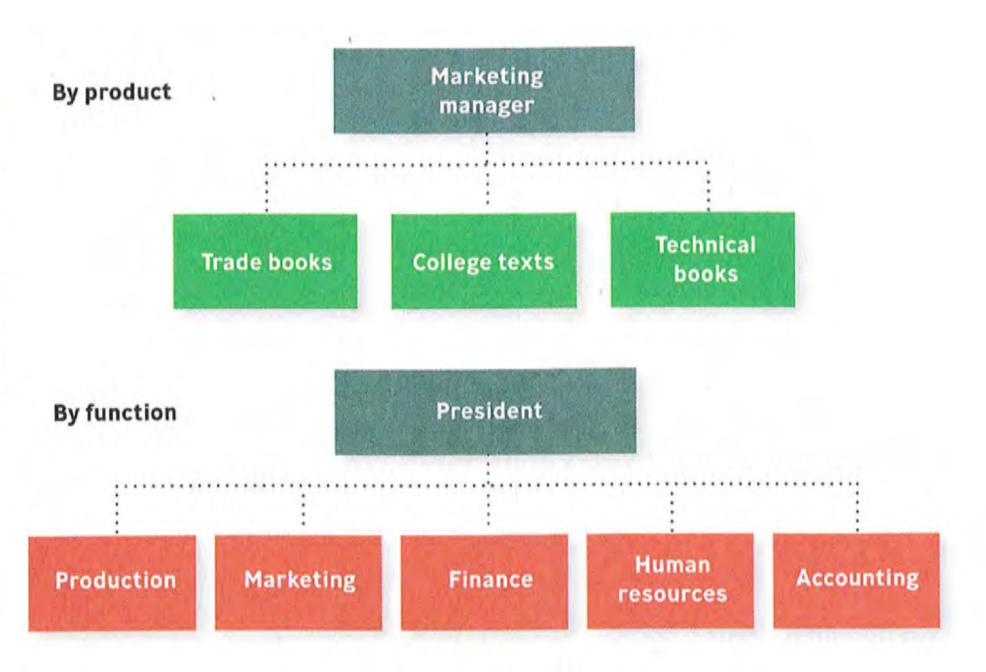




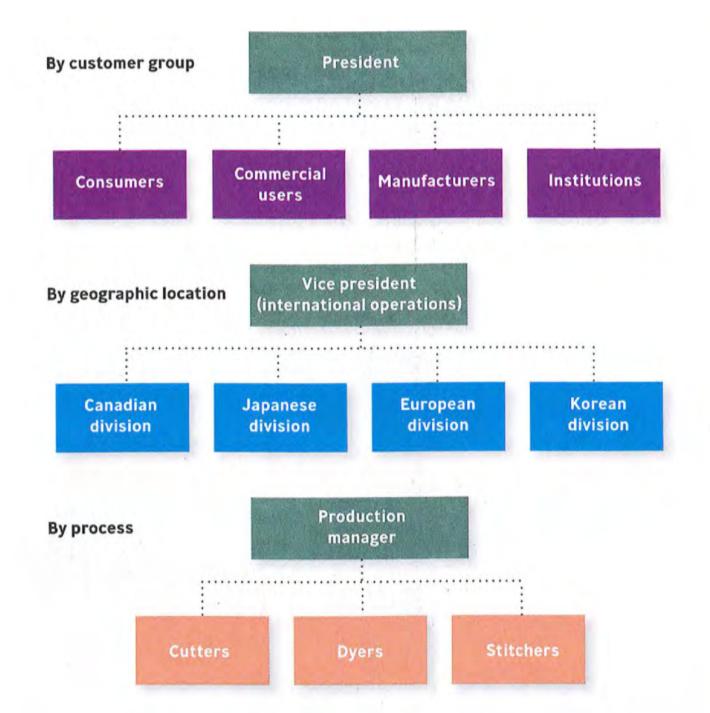




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Structuring organizations

What are the latest trends in structuring?

- departments are often replaced by matrix organizations
- cross-functional teams that decentralize authority
- the span of control become larger as employees become self-directed
- eliminate managers and flatten organizations

