

SUPPLY CHAIN MISSION STATEMENT

- To create a competitive advantage for Welch's through purchasing, manufacturing and distributing products and services which provide superior value to our customers.

SOME IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

- Supply Chain Dynamics

- The flow of materials from vendors to manufacturing plants, and finally to the customer

Dynamic Analysis → Multiple Time Periods

- Network Planning

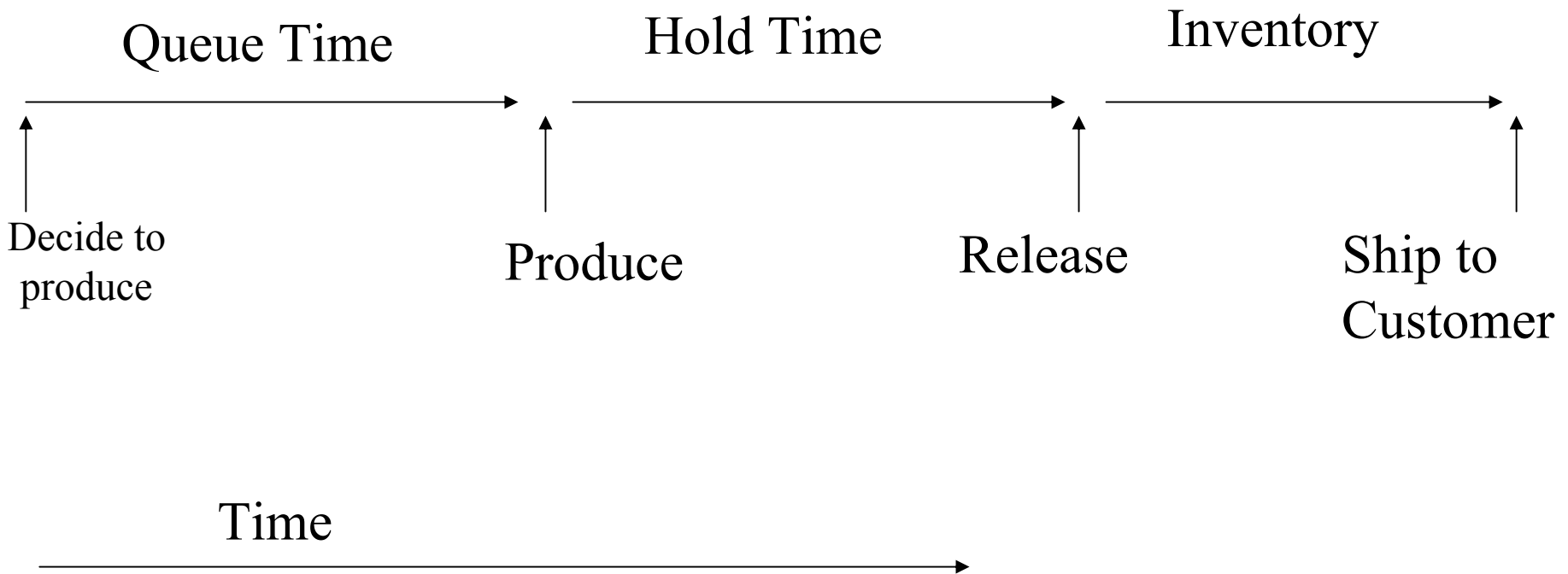
- The strategic location and size of manufacturing plants in relation to raw material sources and customers

Static Analysis → Single Time Periods

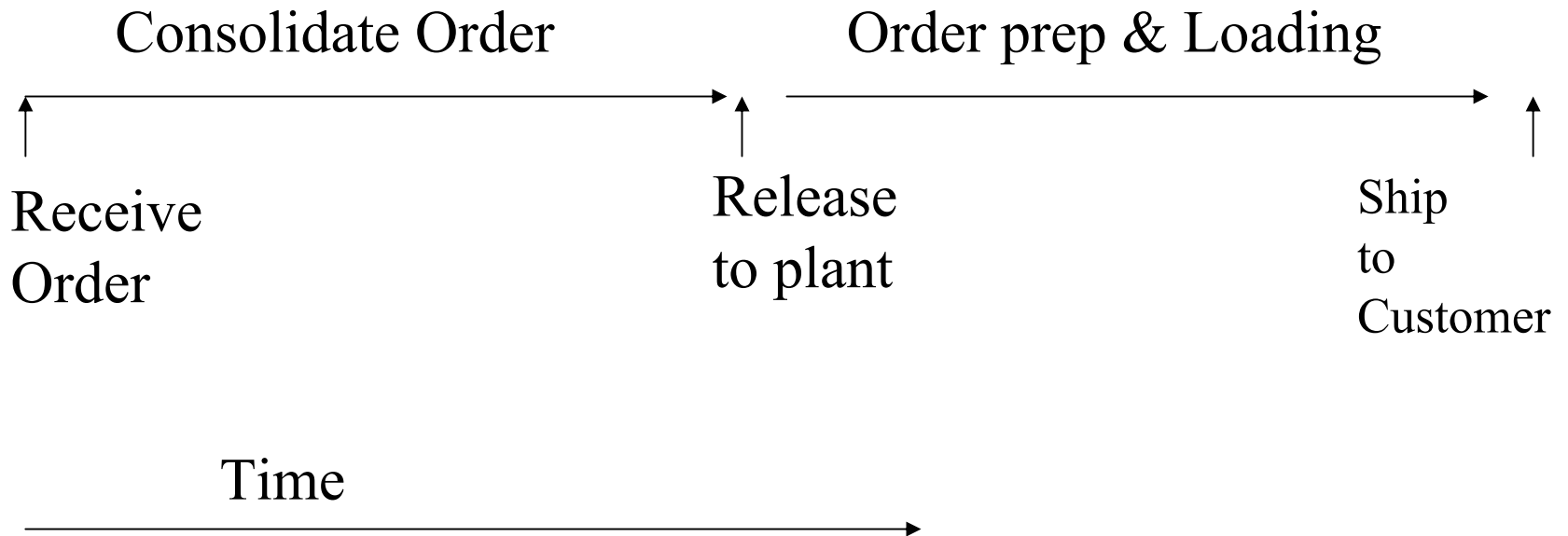
Supply Chain Dynamics

- Production planning and scheduling
- Lot sizing
- MRP
- Continuous Replenishment Systems
- “Fits and Starts”

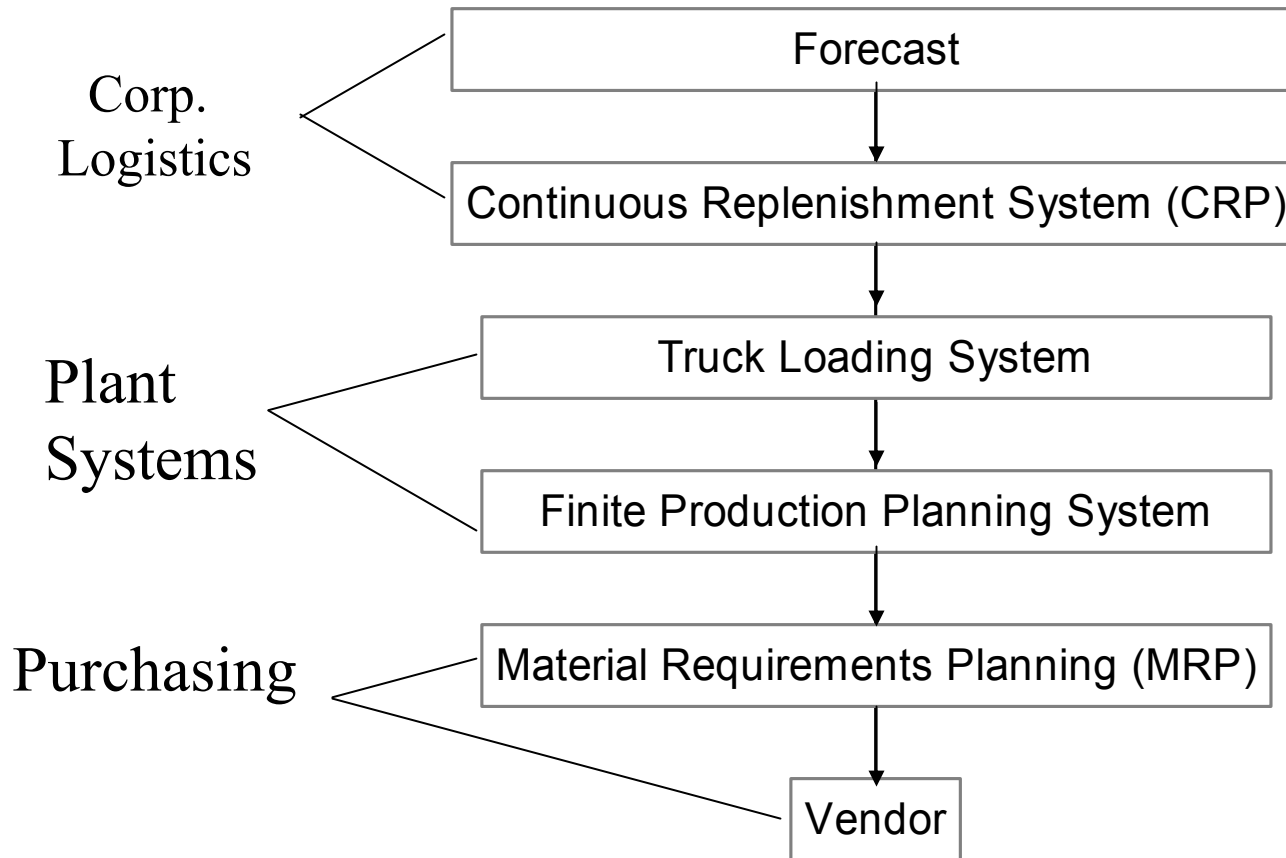
Manufacturing Cycle



Order Cycle Time



SUPPLY CHAIN PLANNING SYSTEMS



NETWORK PLANNING

- Number and location of plants, vendors, DC's
- Distance to customer
- Long-term expansion or contraction

THE IMPORTANCE OF NETWORK PLANNING

- Complex problem; timing, size, location
- Long lead-time for equipment additions
- Large capital expenditures
- Uncertain long-term demand projections
- Financial attractiveness versus risk

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STRENGTHENING GLOBAL EFFECTIVENESS: P&G APPROACH TO SUPPLY CHAIN ANALYSIS

- Streamline work process
- Drive out non-value added costs
- Eliminate duplication
- Rationalize manufacturing and distribution

PLANT CONSOLIDATION STRATEGY:

- Reduce manufacturing expense
- Reduce working capital
- Improve speed to market
- Avoid capital investment
- Fewer production line conversions because of new reformulation
- Eliminate the least productive sizes
- **REDUCE COMPLEXITY**

REASONS P&G CONSIDERED RESTRUCTURING

- Deregulation of trucking
- Trend toward product compaction
- Total quality, higher through-put and greater reliability of each plant
- Decrease in product life cycles
- Excess capacity in the system

WHAT P&G LEARNED

- Hard to develop an single model of the supply chain
- Mfg. And raw material costs dominated distribution costs by a large margin
- Sourcing decisions more sensitive to customer locations than DC locations
- Visual approach is the only way to do static modeling of the supply chain

NETWORK OPTIONS AT WELCH'S

- Tune-up existing plants
- Public warehousing
- Private warehousing
- New manufacturing plants
- Co-packer (contract) arrangement
- Focused manufacturing
- Combination strategy

CUSTOMER SERVICE ISSUES

- Process-oriented firms tend to locate near raw material sources; however, retail stores want short order cycle time
- Customer Service defined:
 - % of time in stock (Type I)
 - Cases ordered vs. cases Shipped (Type II)
 - Distance to customer (avg. miles)

VERTICAL INTEGRATION

- Stages of the Production Cycle
 - Basic Producer
 - Converter
 - Fabricator
 - Assembler

BILL OF MATERIAL STRUCTURE

Process

V

Few raw materials,
high volume

Discrete

A

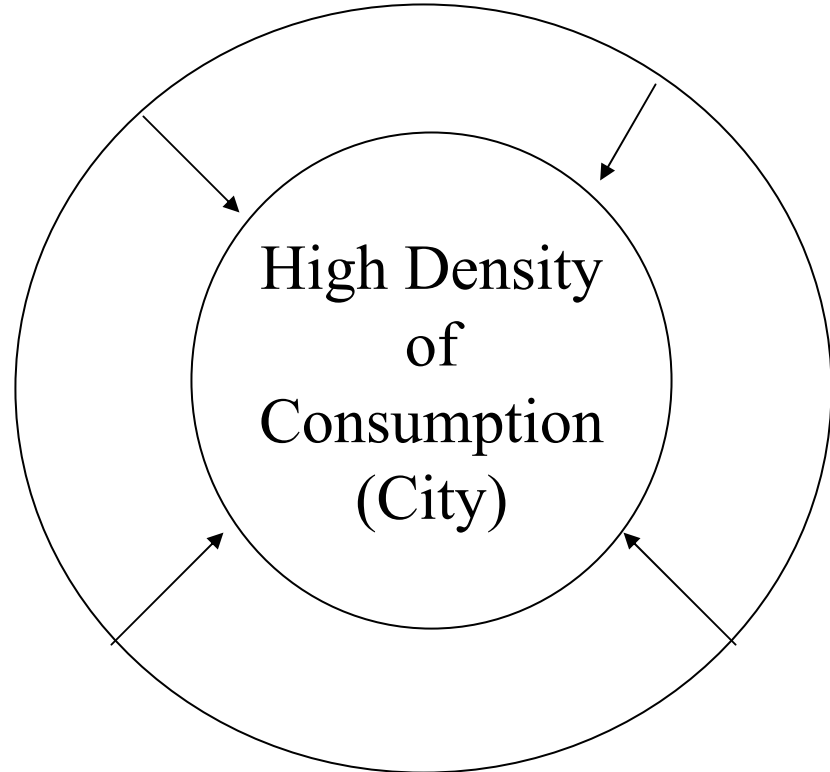
Many raw materials,
Low volume

von Thunen's Belts

- Early theory on location of agricultural production

Profit = Market price -(production cost + transportation cost)

Agriculture locates in an area that maximizes profit



Low value,
High weight
Agricultural
commodities

ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES FOR NETWORK PLANNING

- Optimal Methods:
- Find the minimum of a total cost equation subject to constraints

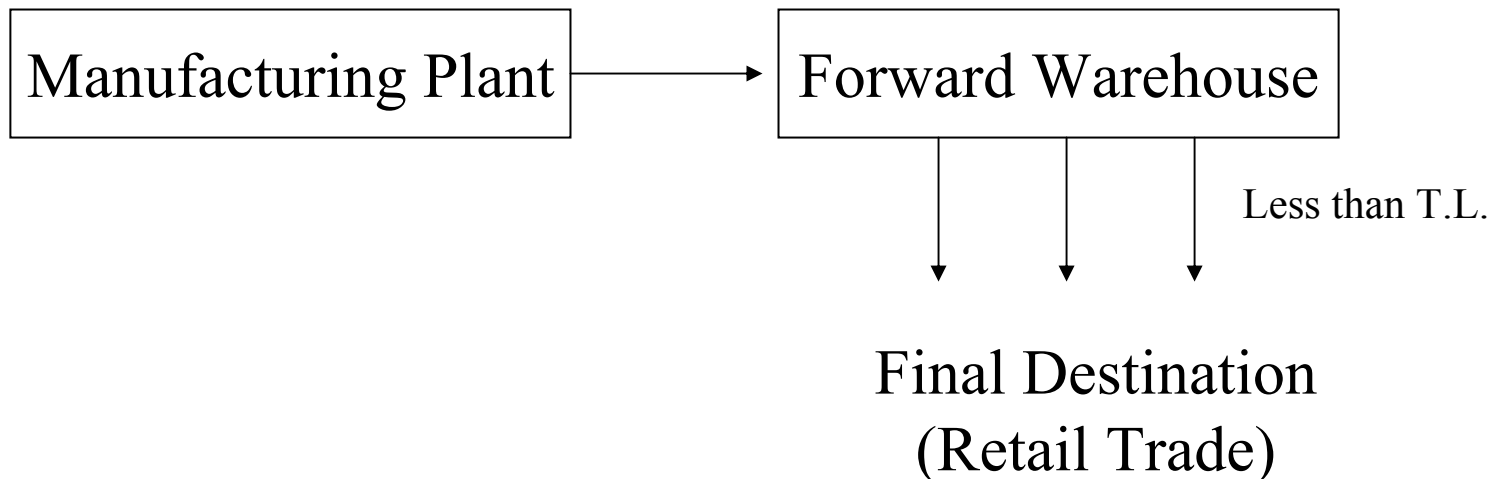
Spreadsheet optimization

- Linear programming
- The transportation problem
- The trans-shipment problem
- Non-linear programming
- Network flow programming

ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES FOR NETWORK PLANNING (cont.)

- Simulation Methods:

Sometimes use probability distributions to approximate cost through time. An experienced analyst can manipulate parameters to obtain a near optimal solution



ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES FOR NETWORK PLANNING (cont.)

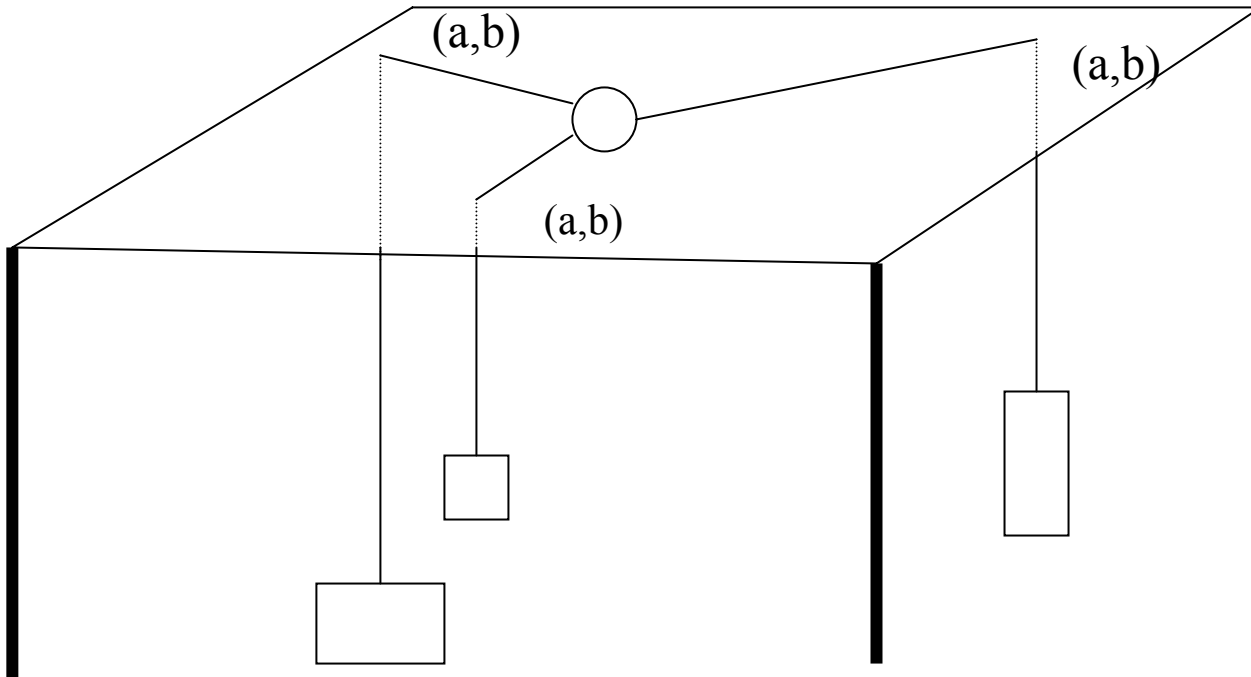
- **Heuristic Methods:**
- Defined as “rules of thumb”, heuristics serve to reduce the average time to search for a solution
- Kuehn-Hamburger
 - Locations with the greatest promise are those located near concentrations of demand
 - Near optimal warehousing systems can be developed at each site if the warehouse with the greatest cost savings is added
 - Only a small subset of all possible warehouse locations needs to be evaluated to determine which warehouse should be added.

WAREHOUSE NETWORKS CLOSEST TO THE U.S. POPULATION

# of Warehouses in the Network	Shortest Av. Dist. to the U.S. Population	Best Warehouse Location
1	821	Terre Haute, IN
2	470	Chillicothe, OH Fresno, CA

Source: Chicago Consulting

Physical Model of Euclidean Distance Problem



$$\min f(x,y) = \sum_{i=1}^n w(i) \sqrt{(x-a(i))^2 + (y-b(i))^2}$$

Requires an iterative procedure

DYNAMIC CAPACITY EXPANSION POLICY

An Optimal Solution

- Develop a cost function for plant expansion
- Take the first derivative with respect to the decision variable
- Set to zero
- Find optimal plant size and time interval between expansions

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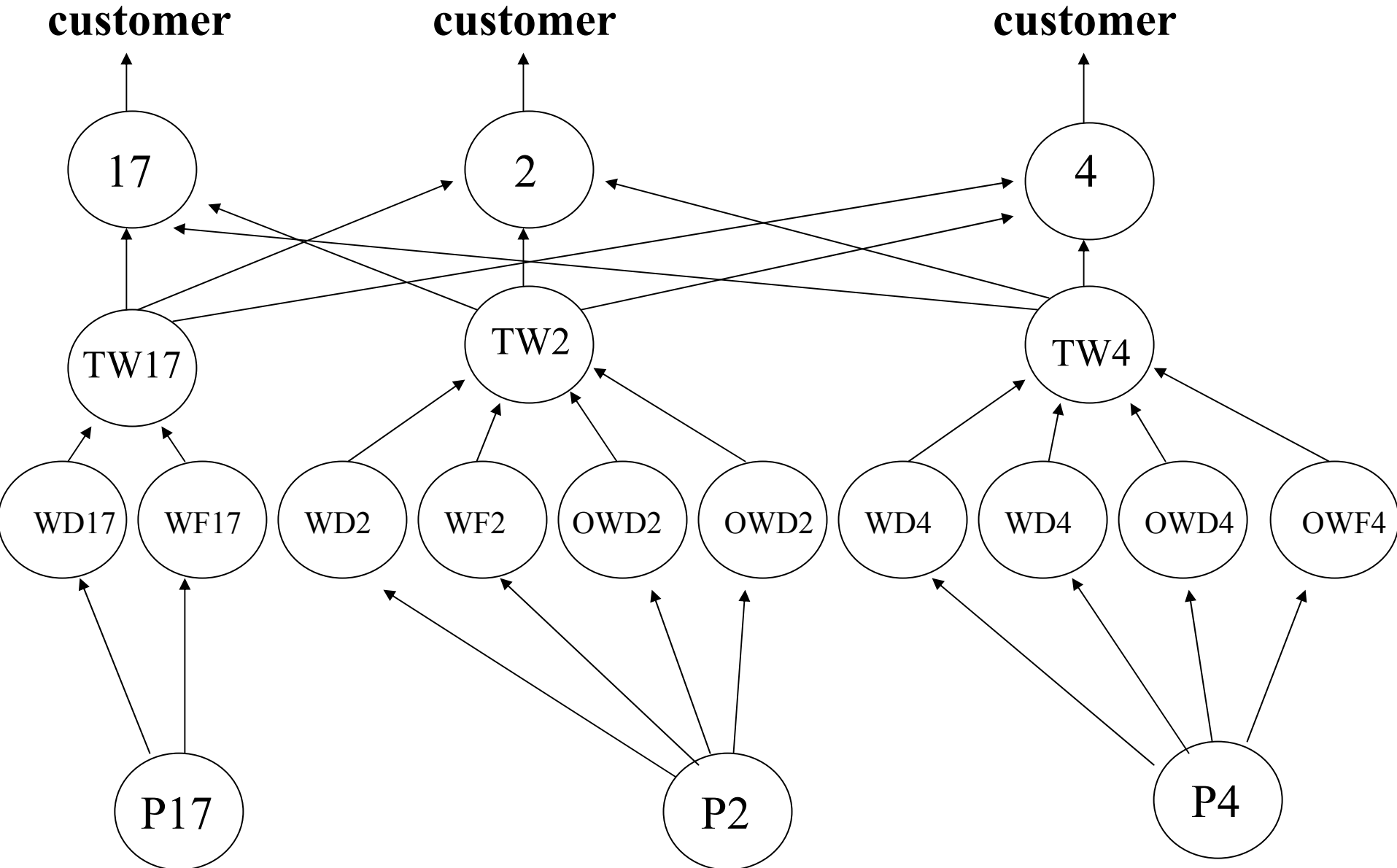
Welch's Approach to Network Planning

- **LOCATE4 (CSC, Inc.)** - Distribution planning software, Linear Programming and Least Cost Simulation
- PC Based, Windows (written in FoxPro)
- Costs include: production, fixed, transportation, warehousing and inventory
- Multi-echelon, static network planning
- Aggregate production capacity considered

NETWORK MODELING ISSUES

- Data gathering
- Product group structure and aggregation concerns
- Production costs, standard versus actual
- Raw material costs
- Transportation rate information, commodity flows and lane capacity

The Welch Supply Chain



SYMBOL KEY

P = Plant

WD = Inside warehouse dry

WF = Inside warehouse frozen

OWD = Outside warehouse dry

OWF = Outside warehouse frozen

TW = mixing warehouse (dummy node)

17 = Kennewick, WA

2 = Lawton, MI

4 = North East, PA

HISTORY OF LOCATE APPLICATION

- Run first models in 1990
- Two major plant location studies
- Change the assignment of products to plants
- Change the assignment of territories to plants
- Evaluate “product platforms”

RECENT NETWORK MODELING RESULTS

- Shift service to Georgia from PA Plant to MI plant
- Single serve platform - 85% of demand in the West comes from only six cities
 - More 2.5 times more single serve sold in NYC than the entire state of Texas
- Renegotiate rates with house carriers
- Change consolidation patterns

SUPPLY CHAIN DYNAMICS AT WELCH'S

- Capacity becomes very important in all production and inventory management decisions
- Changes in demand ripple through the supply chain
- Finite capacity systems must exist in all levels of planning
- Production planning versus MRP

CHARACTERISTICS OF A “GOOD” SOLUTION

- Use costs of set-ups and inventories as a criterion
- When a set of demands is infeasible:
 - Indicates which periods require additional capacity
 - Provides a schedule for the revised capacity
- Accessible
 - Can be implemented in EXCEL7.0 spreadsheet
 - Does not require specialized math programming software or knowledge
- Permits “what-if” analysis in terms of cost consequences
- Provides schedules without excessive computer time

METHOD SELECTED

- Rule based method (heuristic)
- Modified Dixon-Silver Heuristic (1981)
 - Provides good solutions for zero set-up times
 - Conceptually simple
 - Easy computations
 - Modest computer resource requirements
 - Uses the proven Silver-Meal (1973) lot-sizing method
- Modifications Required:
 - Account for set-up times
 - Detect infeasible demand patterns
 - Implement in an EXCEL 7.0 environment