

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION TO QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Expected Outcomes

Understand the complexities of defining quality

Explain the philosophies of quality management and continuous improvement

Recognize that processes perform value-added activities and variation is present in any natural process

To gain insight into the evolution of Total Quality Management (TQM) concepts

Chapter Outline

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- Defining Quality
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- Three sphere of Quality
- Evolution of Quality
- TQM
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- Gurus of Quality / TQM

What is Quality?



Quality Definition

- Definition of quality are:
 - ❖ Meet the specification
 - ❖ Satisfying customer need
 - ❖ Fitness for purpose

- * Quality of a product or services is its ability to satisfy the needs and expectations of the customer

Quality Definition

Some of the definitions of the term 'Quality', provided by quality gurus are as follows:

- Quality is fitness for use (JURAN)
- Quality is conformance to requirements (CROSBY)
- The efficient production of the quality that the market expects (DEMING)
- Quality is what the customer says, it is (FEIGENBAUM)

Quality Definition

- Quality is the loss that a product costs to the society after being shipped to the customer (TAGUCHI)
- The totality of features and characteristics of a product or services that bear on its ability to satisfy stated or implied needs of the customers (ASQC)
- A quality system is the agreed on company wide and plant wide operating work structure, documented in effective, integrated, technical and managerial procedures for guiding the co-coordinated actions of people, the machines, or the information of company in the best and most practical ways to assume customer quality satisfaction and economical costs of quality. (FEIGENBAUM)

Modern Quality Definition

- “Quality is inversely proportional to variability”

$$\text{Quality} \propto 1/\text{Variability}$$

- This definition acknowledges that variability is present in all processes. Sources of variability include:
 1. Process variability includes raw materials, machines, operators and environmental conditions
 2. Measurement variability
 3. Sampling variability
- Given that quality is inversely proportional to variability, so it means by improving quality, we will reducing variability.

Quality Can be Quantified as

$$Q = P/E$$

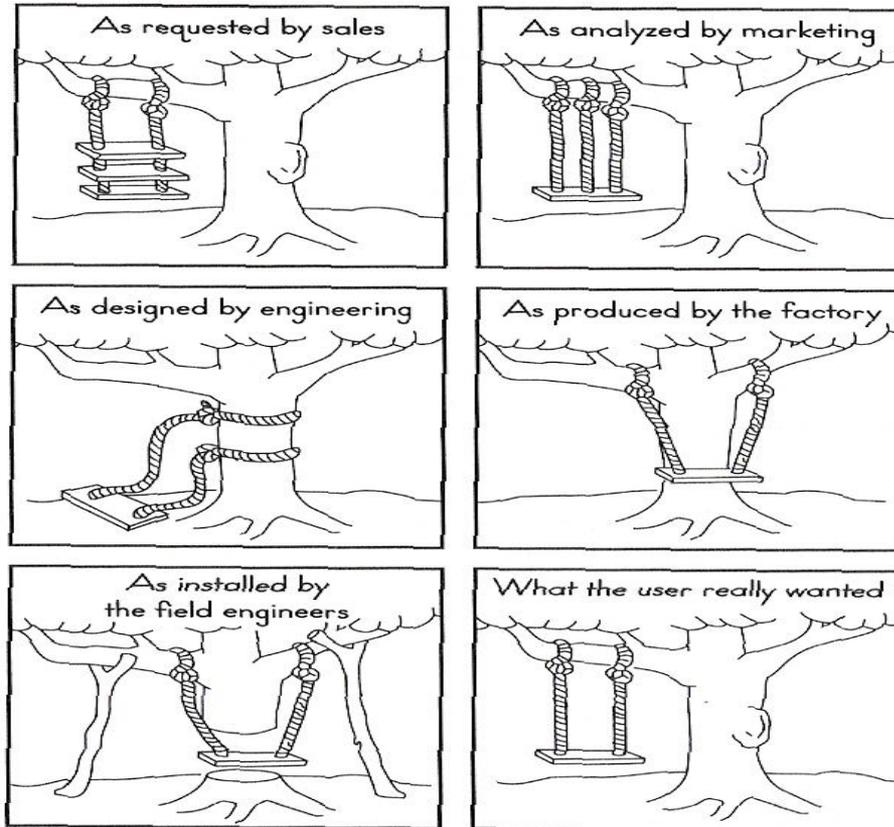
where **Q** = quality;

P = performance

E = expectations

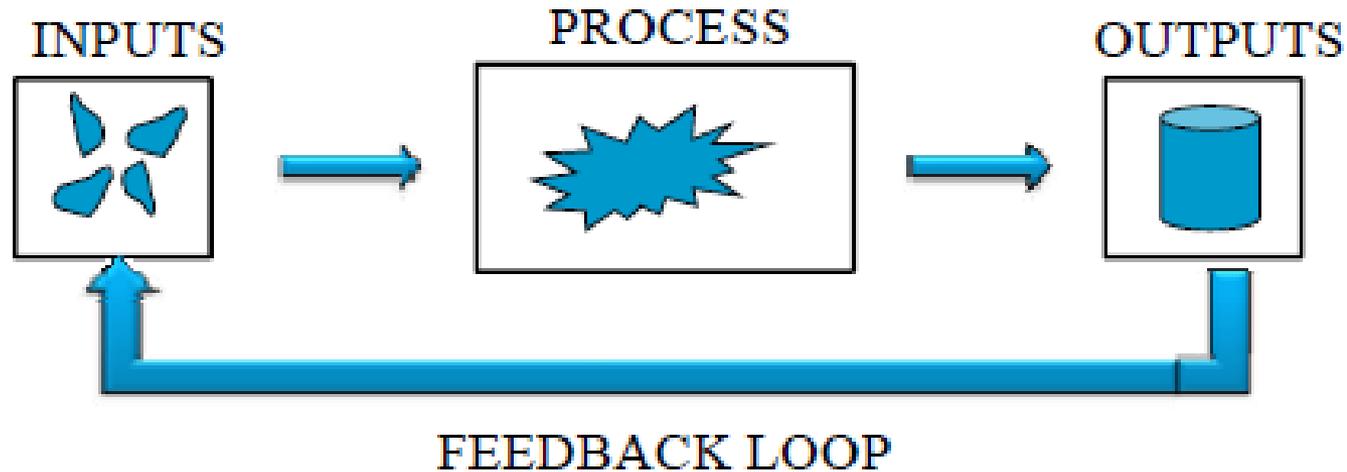
- If $Q > 1.0$: then the customer has a good feeling about the product/service.
- P and E are determined based on perception.
- P is determined by the organization and E by the customers.
- Customer expectations are becoming more demanding from day-to-day.

Essence of Quality



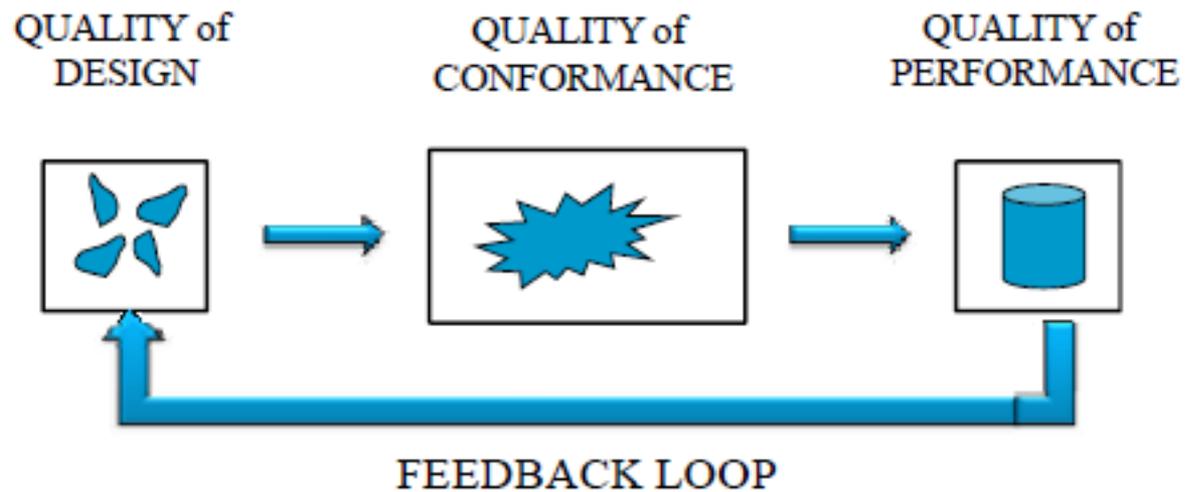
SOURCE: Don Kite, *Parts Pups*, Nov. 1971, and *Reader's Digest*, October 1973.

Where does QUALITY apply?



Understanding the Basics Process

Aspect of Quality



Understanding the Basics Process

Aspect of Quality

- 1) Quality of design (consumer's perspective)
 - determine the Q characteristics of products that suited to the needs & wants of a market at a given cost.

- 2) Quality of conformance (manufacturer's perspective)
 - ability of firms and it's supplier to produce the product with predictable degree of uniformity & dependability as in Q of design.

- 3) Quality of performance
 - studies focus on determining how the Q characteristics identified in Q of design & improved and innovated in Q of conformance

Product Quality Dimensions

Dimension	Meaning and Example	
1. Performance	Primary product characteristics, such as brightness of the picture	will the product do the intended job?
2. Features	Secondary characteristics (i.e. added features), such as remote control	what does the product do?
3. Conformance	Meeting specifications or industry standards, workmanship	Did the product match with the preestablished standard?
4. Reliability	Consistence performance over time, average time for the product/unit to fail	how often the product fails?
5. Durability	Useful life, includes repair	how long the product lasts?
6. Service	Resolution of problems and complaints, ease of repair	how easy is to repair the product?
7. Response	Human-to-human interface, such as courtesy of the dealer	
8. Aesthetics	Sensory characteristics, such as exterior finish	what does the product look like?
9. Reputation	Past performance and other intangibles, such as being ranked first/best	what is the reputation of a company or its products?

**Source: Garvin, 1988*

Product Quality Dimensions

- These 9 dimensions are independent, therefore a product may be excellent in one dimension and average or poor in another.
- Very few products excel in all 9 dimensions.
- **Example:** In 1970s, the Japanese were cited for high quality cars based only on the dimensions of **RELIABILITY, CONFORMANCE** and **AESTHETICS**.
- These dimensions been translated into the requirements for the development of a new product or the improvement of an existing one.

Service Quality Dimensions

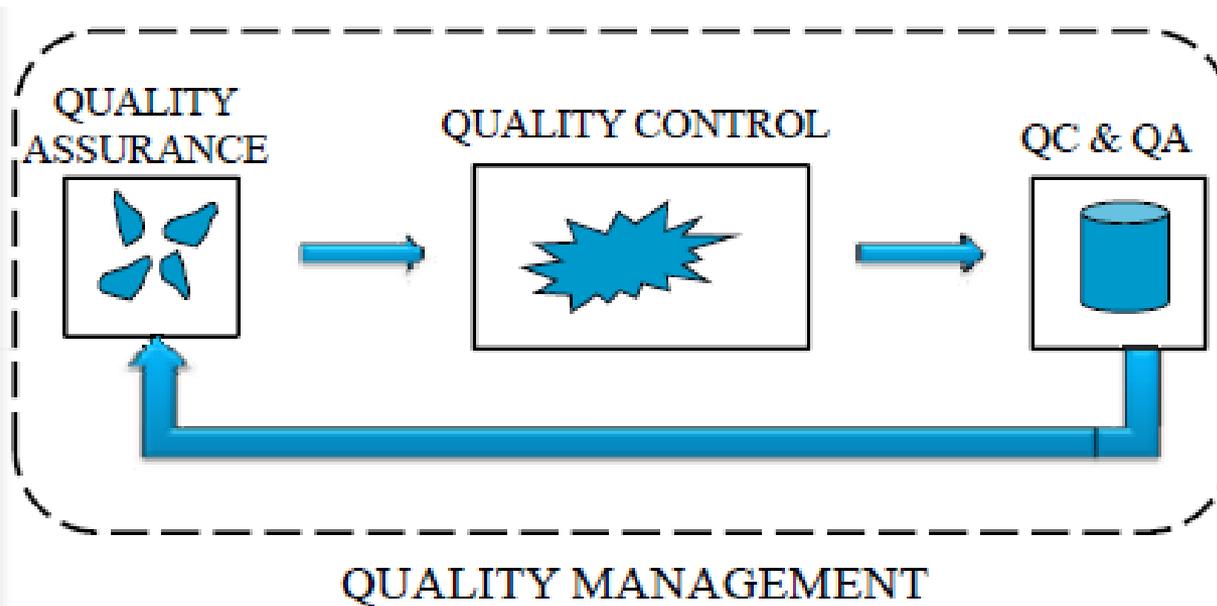
Dimension	Meaning and Example	
1. Timeliness	Delivery of service within the agreed lead time	Will a service be performed when promised?
2. Completeness	Addresses the delivery of the order in full	Are all items in order included?
3. Availability	Ability to provide service at the right time and place	Is the service easy to obtain?
4. Pleasantness/ Courtesy	The good manners and politeness of the service provider	Do frontline employees greet each customer cheerfully?
5. Responsiveness	Willingness of the service provider to be prompt in delivering the service	Can service personnel react quickly and resolve unexpected problems?
6. Empathy	Ability of the service provider to demonstrate care and individual attention to the customer	
7. Tangibles	The physical appearance of the service facility and people	
8. Assurance	Ability of the service provider to inspire trust and confidence	
9. Reliability	The consistency of performance and dependability	Is the service performed right the first time?

**Source: Parasuraman et.al, 1988*

Three Sphere of Quality



Three Sphere of Quality



QA vs QC

QUALITY	PRINCIPLE	PURPOSE	WHEN
ASSURANCE	Prevention of problem	To avoid the same problem repeated and provide the assurance to customer	Before product starts to process or before product deliver to customer
CONTROL	Detection of problem	To verify whether the process is carried out correctly	At the stage of critical

Activities of QA, QC and QM

QA

- Provide effective training to operators.
- Implement preventive maintenance on machine
- Conduct supplier rating to ensure quality of materials
- Establish procedures and work instructions
- Machine/process upgrade (manual to auto @ semi-auto)
- Establish product or design specification

QC

- QC testing
- Incoming material inspection
- Finished goods inspection
- Process testing / monitoring
- Operating parameters monitoring
- Repairing of machines

QM

- Planning for quality improvement
- Creating a quality organizational culture
- Providing training and retraining
- Designing and organizational system that reinforce quality ideas
- Facilitating organizational communication

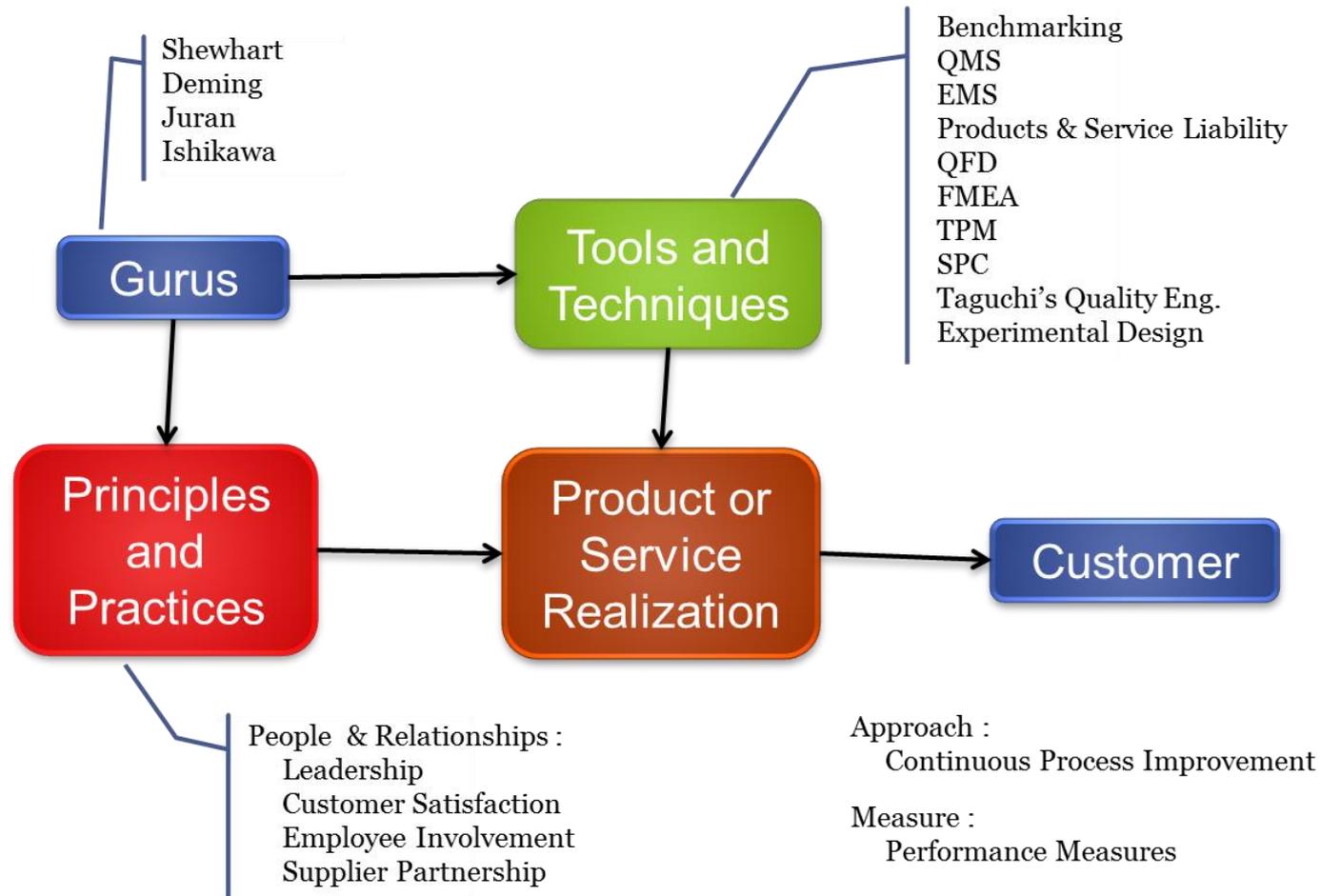
Total Quality Management

- Total Quality Management (TQM) is an enhancement to the traditional way of doing business.
- It's a proven technique to guarantee survival in world-class competition
- TQM integrates **fundamental management techniques, existing improvement efforts** and **technical tools** under a disciplined approach
- It is the application of quantitative methods and human resources to improve all the processes within an organization and exceed customer needs now and in the future.

New and Old Culture

Quality Element	Previous State	TQM
Definition	Product-oriented	Customer-oriented
Priorities	Second to service and cost	First among equals of service and cost
Decisions	Short-term	Long-term
Emphasis	Detection	Prevention
Errors	Operations	System
Responsibility	Quality Control	Everyone
Problem Solving	Managers	Teams
Procurement	Price	Life-cycle costs, partnership
Manager's Role	Plan, assign, control and enforce	Delegate, coach, facilitate and mentor

New and Old Culture



Obstacles of TQM

- Lack of Management Commitment
- Inability to Change Organizational Culture
- Improper Planning
- Lack of Continuous Training and Education
- Incompatible Organizational Structure and Isolated Individuals and Departments
- Ineffective Measurement Techniques and Lack of Access to Data and Results
- Paying Inadequate Attention to Internal and External Customers
- Inadequate Use of Empowerment and Teamwork
- Failure to Continually Improve

Benefits of TQM

The benefits of TQM are improved:

Quality

Employee Participation

Teamwork

Working Relationships

Customer Satisfaction

Employee Satisfaction

Productivity

Communication

Profitability

Market Share

Gurus of TQM

Gurus	Known For
Walter A. Shewhart	Statistical Process Control Chart and PDSA Cycle
W. Edwards Deming	Provide a theory for management to improve quality, productivity and competitive position (14 points)
Joseph M. Juran	Processes for Managing Quality
Armand V. Feigenbaum	Authored Total Quality Control
Kaoru Ishikawa	Development of the Cause and Effect Diagram, Quality Circle Concept (QCC)
Philip B. Crosby	Authored Quality Without Tears
Genichi Taguchi	Developed Loss Function Concept