How to organize efficient and proactive team work during a growth stage?

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Team efficiency







Evolwe case

Before One product

Lots of bureaucracy efficient

Not

Lost \$800K

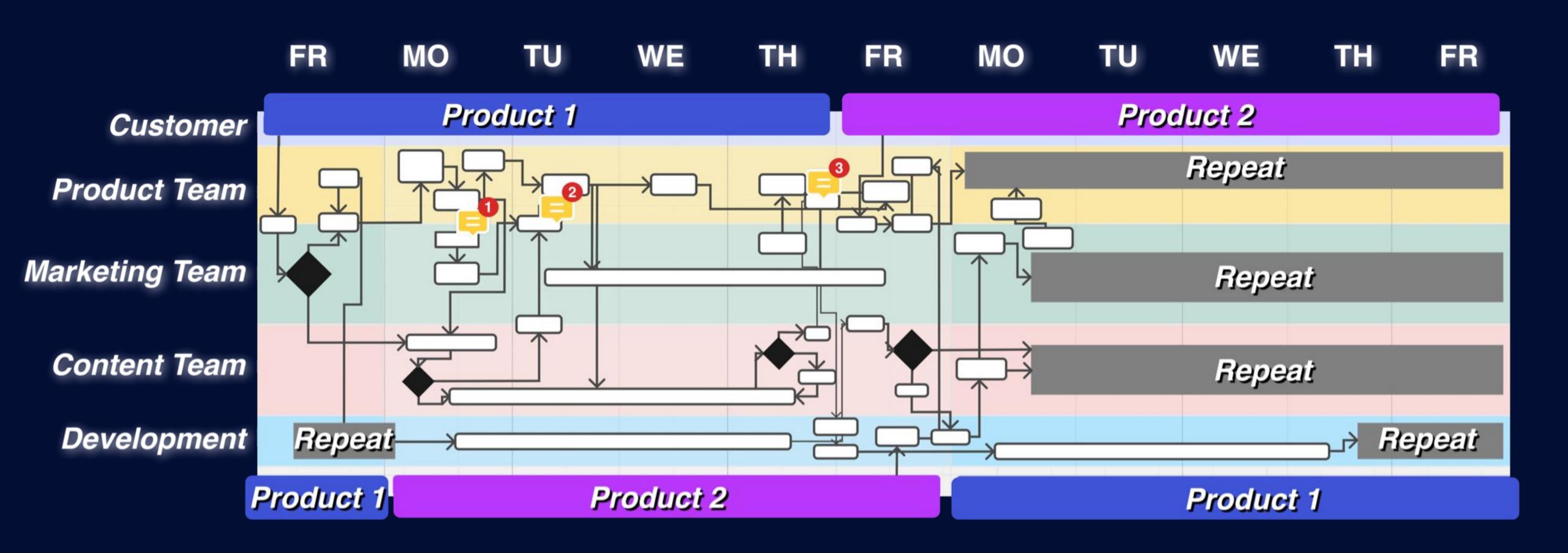
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New product framework launch

Sprint

5 hypothesis per week

Sprint framework and roles for hypothesis test



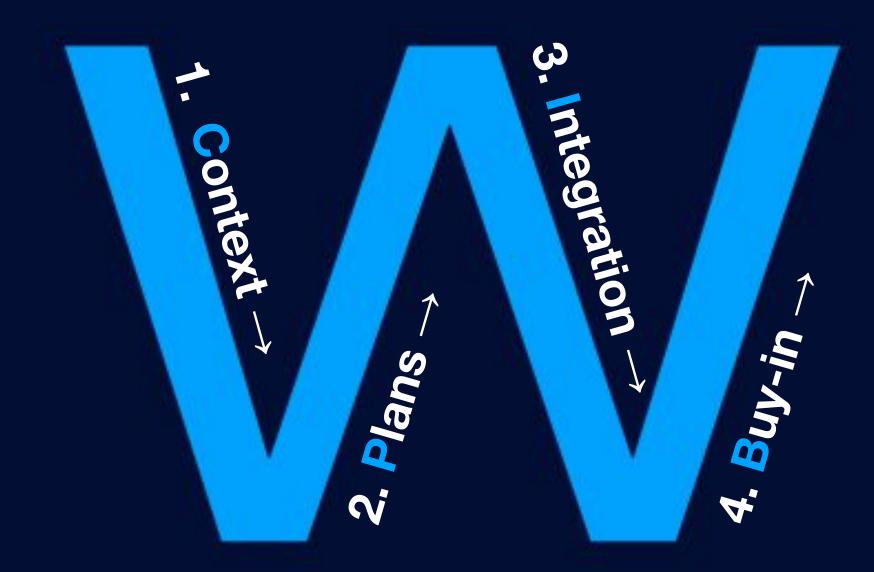
How to aggregate information to make right hypothesis



W Planning Framework

<u>Leadership</u>

- Developing an inspiring high-level vision and strategy
 - Sharing a concrete goal for the period
- Making the final decision on what is prioritized and resourced
- 1. Context: Leadership shares a high-level strategy with Teams
- 2. **Plans:** Teams respond with proposed plans



3. Integration: Leadership integrates into a single plan, and shares with Teams
4. Buy-in: Teams make final tweaks, confirm buy-in, and get rolling

Teams

- Developing execution plans that support the high-level strategy
 - Highlighting gaps & risks with the final plan
 - Committing to a goal, with a given level of resources

Key Initiative Strategy

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	Brief description of the initiative, including the what and the why, e.g. Launch in Japan in order to support the international expansion pillar.		
Strategy	A short overview of how you plan to approach this initiative		
Projects	A list of key projects you plan to undertake and rough timelines 1. e.g. Support payments in Japan 2 3		
Timeline	Expected timeline to complete the initiative		
Impact	The impact you expect to deliver as a result of executing this initiative, e.g. revenue growth, user growth, higher customer satisfaction, etc.		
Resources Needed	A breakdown of the type and amount of resources required to achieve this initiative, e.g. \$50k marketing spend, 2 designers, etc. Be as detailed as possible, and ideally, give a few options.		
Risks and Dependencies	Lay out the major risks to this initiative and how you plan to mitigate them		

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Explore vs Exploit

High	Uncertainty	Low
Search and breakthrough	Focus	Efficiency and growth
Venture-capital style risk taking: expecting few outsized winners		Safe haven with steady returns and dividends
Iterative experimentation, embracing speed, failure, learning, and rapid adaptation	& Processes	Linear execution, embracing planning, predictability, and minimal failure
Explorers who excel in uncertainty, are strong at pattern recognition, and can navigate between big picture and details	People & Skills	Managers who are strong at organizing and planning and can design efficient processes to deliver on time and budget

Framework for the growth process: setting up metrics and organizing fast tests

Metrics for the product - based on CJM cycles

- Retention
- DAU
- MAU



Ideas for the test

Team motivation

KP

VS

Opportunities

The 5 disfunctions of a team

Why team don't reach great results?



 Ambitious vision, immerse employees in the corporate culture and motivate them to work in order to implement the team's global plans



- A clear overall scope of work with timelines and stages
- Each employee can track the stages of project implementation



Not celebrating achievements

 Zoom party or a cake in the office: praise great results



Discuss problems as soon as they arise



Lack of gratitude

Reward employees for excellent results, motivate them with feedback and show that they are on the right track

Tips to increase proactivity

- clear goals
- show influence
- participation of all members
- planning and retrospective

Key Tips

- Freedom and responsibility: team decides what to focus on
- Big idea with key metrics
- Constantly testing various hypothesis
- Validation of the knowledge about users
- Understanding each team member psychology and behavior

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Thank you

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