

# **Process Deep Dive**



#### **Pre-requisite**

Gather and understand process related documents – Standard Operating Procedures, process maps, Organizational Chart, user manuals etc.



#### Aim

- To have a deep understanding of the process
- To document and validate with the process owner As-Is process flows and all relevant data for RPA
- ➤ Design To-Be process flow High level
- Handover a good documentation to the developer to build the RPA solution for that process

#### **Approach**



- > Organize a discussion with the process owners & SME
- ➤ High level description of the process (walk through the process)
- Understand the complexity of the process & challenges (from SME point of view and RPA)
- Shadow the SME/ Workshop
- > Capture process metrices (scope, applications involved, no of FTEs, volumes, AHTs, SLAs, Time dependencies, challenges, complexity, stakeholders involved and their role)
- > Prepare process definition Document with the help of Key stroke level documentation or process recordings
- Mark what is in scope and out of scope for RPA from the beginning and continuously validate this classification during the documentation. Log the reasons behind

## **Actions & Deliverables**



- Gather process information and data
- Prepare high level process map with straight through processing scenario and obtain sign-off from process owner
- Validate the process map with the process owner and update the document by including more scenarios and business rules
- Prepare the detailed L4 level process maps (including all scenarios) using process mapping tools like MS Visio/ Aris, validate them with the process owner and update the process steps
- Prepare PDD and include any support material that would detail the business rules, matrix role, the input & output, reports specifications
- Validate The PDD with the process owner and update the PDD with all feedbacks, organize sessions for clarifications if needed
- Obtain the Sign-off





















High Level Process Maps & Documentation

Review

Include More Scenarios and **Business Rules** 

Review

L4 Level Process Map & Process Description

To Be **Process** Map and Solution Description

PDD & Sign Off

# **Requirement Gathering**

- Process Metrices can be captured with the help of existing workflow/ BPM tool, MI data & Time and Motion study (Provided by operations team)
  - Volume
  - AHTs
  - > Total FTE effort involved in the process

#### Process Information

- Open and close times (Time dependencies) & SLA
- Expected increase in volume
- Stakeholders involved and their role
- Inputs & Input Type (Structured/ Unstructured & Standard/ Non-standard)
- Output & Output type

#### Infrastructure requirements

- Test environment availability
- UiPath hardware/ Software requirements

### Applications used

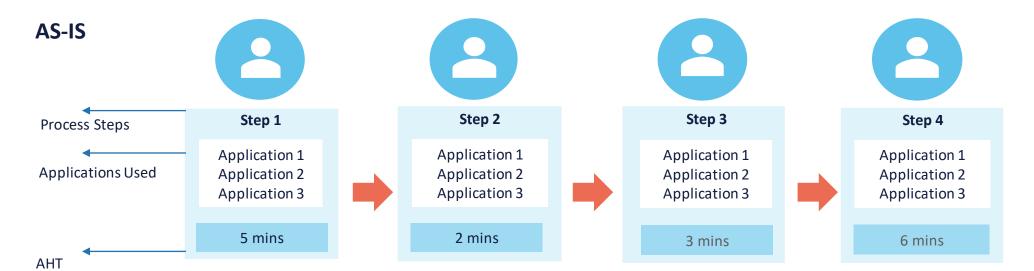
- Understand and capture the underlying technology of each application
- Capture all applications used in the process
- ▶ Different instances of one application (Login module) If applicable (e.g. SAP/ Mainframe)

#### Thin 'or' Thick client?

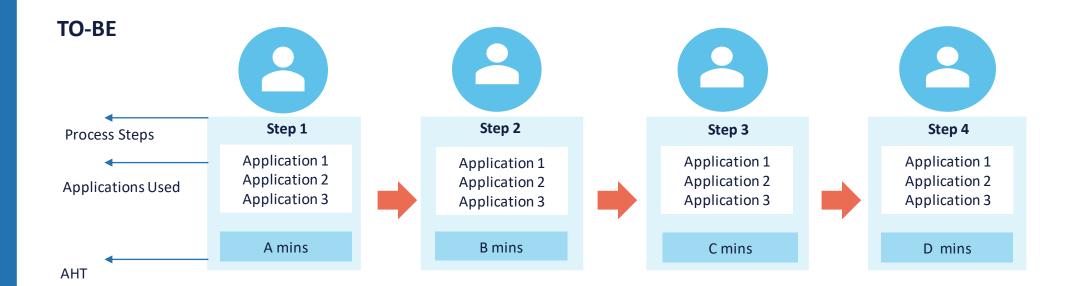
- Citrix/ VDI/ Remote desktops Thin Client
- Desktop applications Thick Client



# **High Level Process Maps**







# Process Mapping – SIPOC





- Raw materials
- Sources
- Manufacturers
- Suppliers

### Inputs



- Manpower
- Resources
- Equipment

### Process



**Outputs** 

- Product
- Timely delivery
- Increased quality

### **Customers**



- Young people
- Students
- Service holders

### Requirements



- Customer satisfaction
- Expected quality
- Reduced backlog

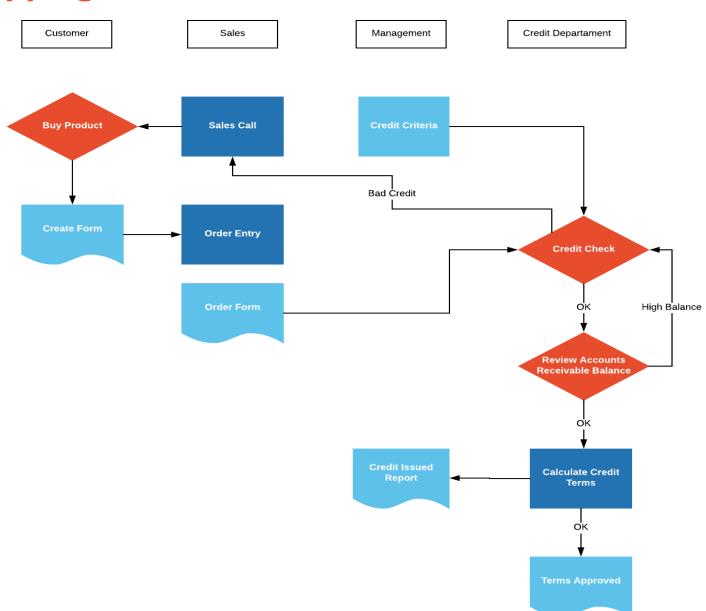
Look for new customer segment

Find customer needs

Identify critical needs

Develop prototype Test prototype & go to production

# Process Mapping – L4 Level





## **Inputs & Outputs**

#### **Inputs**

Identify what are the inputs needed at process level and at granular level also and dependencies to other subprocesses

- Application type From which inputs are accessed e.g.:- file, a screen, email, a scanned invoice etc.
- Input Structure Input structure, Templates from which identified inputs needs to be captured
- Identify Fields Unique identifiers to capture the required fields
- Input Location Location from which the input file/ application can be accessed

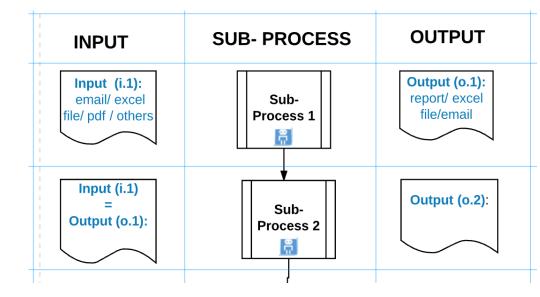
For TO BE, analyze in detail every input and how it is obtain and standardize where possible

- Already existing at activity level: i.e. a report that triggers some actions
- Specifically created for RPA: i.e. data posted to be used by the robot

### **Outputs**

Identify if the output already exists or it needs to be generated by the robot:

- Output type: a new record in an app, a report, a file etc.
- Output type file/ folder/ report. Attributes to capture: destination, structure, content, trigger

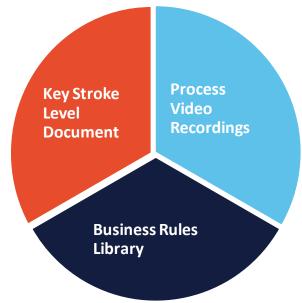




# **Process Description**

#### **Key Stroke Document**

- Process activities detailed at key stroke level with respective screen shots captured
- Capture each and every action by SME on the application layer
- Screen shot tools :- Microsoft Screen recorder/ Epiplex to capture screen shots



#### **Process Video Recordings**

- Video recordings of process activities
- Best used to capture for complex business rules within a process
- Short video recordings (Activities as Modules) with appropriate voice overs are recommended
- Index the videos and refer to them as reference in the As-Is process description

#### **Business Rules Library**

Either use the existing business rules library or Document the business rules in a separate file, to ease the PDD Documentation & Development:

- Robot can use business rules directly from the library
- In case of future rule changes, Library will be updated directly, with low/ Zero impact on the code
- Index the Business rules and refer to them as reference in the As-Is process description



# **Out of Scope**

### Out of scope

- Compliance requests (Must remain in the human control of team members)
- Activities/ source apps under change in the next 3-6 months (i.e a source app release announced/)
- > Templates/ inputs not standardized or involving free text/ poor quality scanned images
- Activities that need human input, due to the complexity and human knowledge involved
- There is another automation in place
- Effort to automate a specific activity bigger than the gain

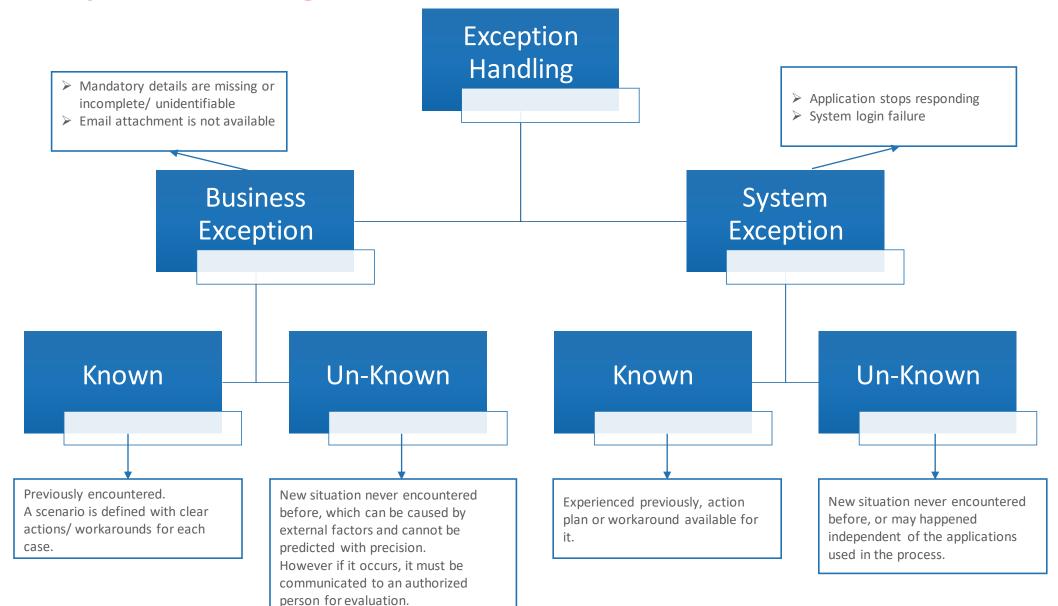
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### Impact of Out of scope activities

For out of scope activities, that mean that either human intervention is still needed, identify dependencies at process level -

- will it change the order of performing the steps?
- > will the robot need to be restarted?
- > will the robot need to wait for that activity to be processed first?
- do the robot need to use the output of that manual activity

# **Exception Handling**





# **Define & Design RPA Solution**

