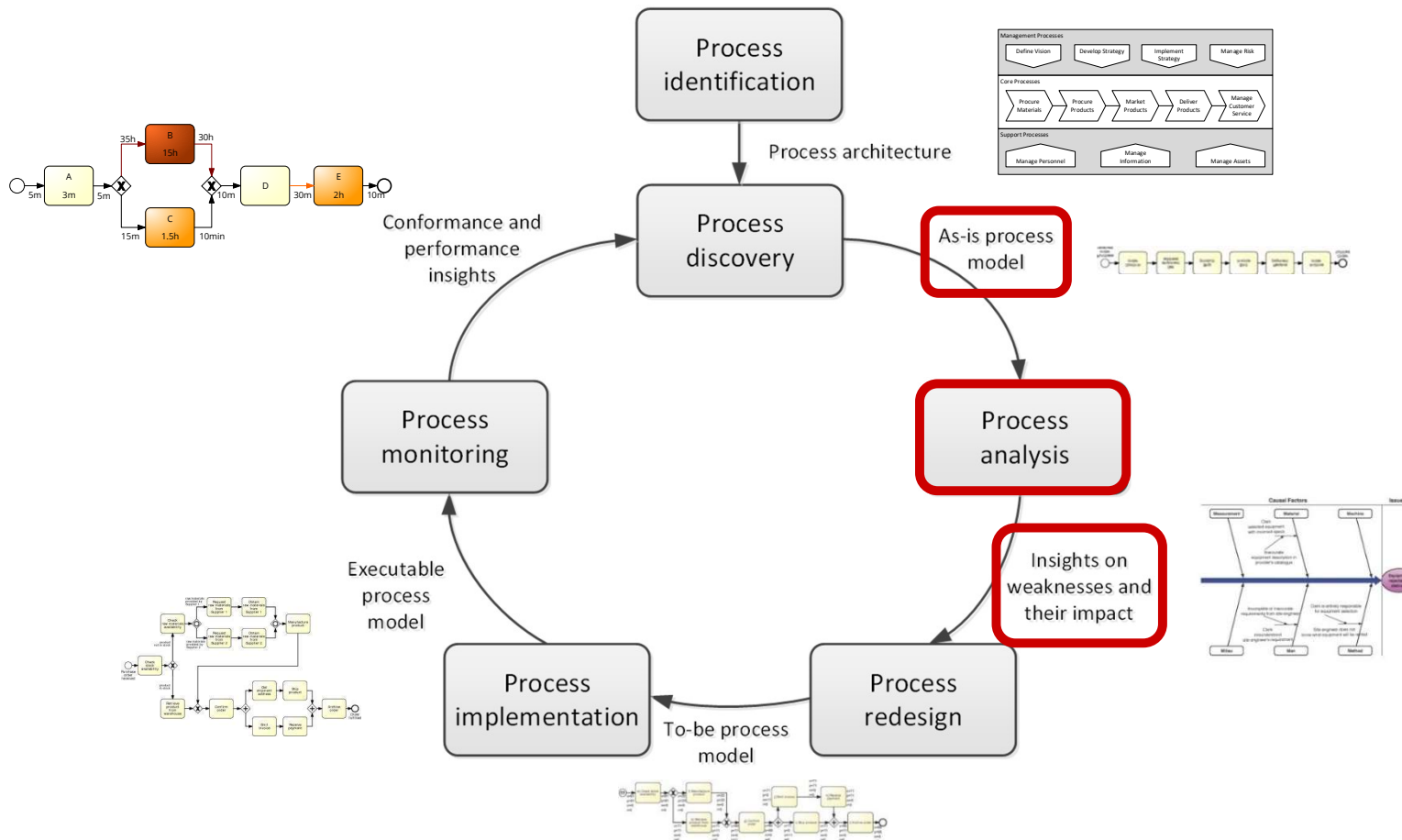


Quantitative Process Analysis

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Process Analysis in the BPM Lifecycle



Process Analysis Techniques

Qualitative analysis

- Value-Added & Waste Analysis
- Root-Cause Analysis
- Pareto Analysis
- Issue Register

Quantitative Analysis

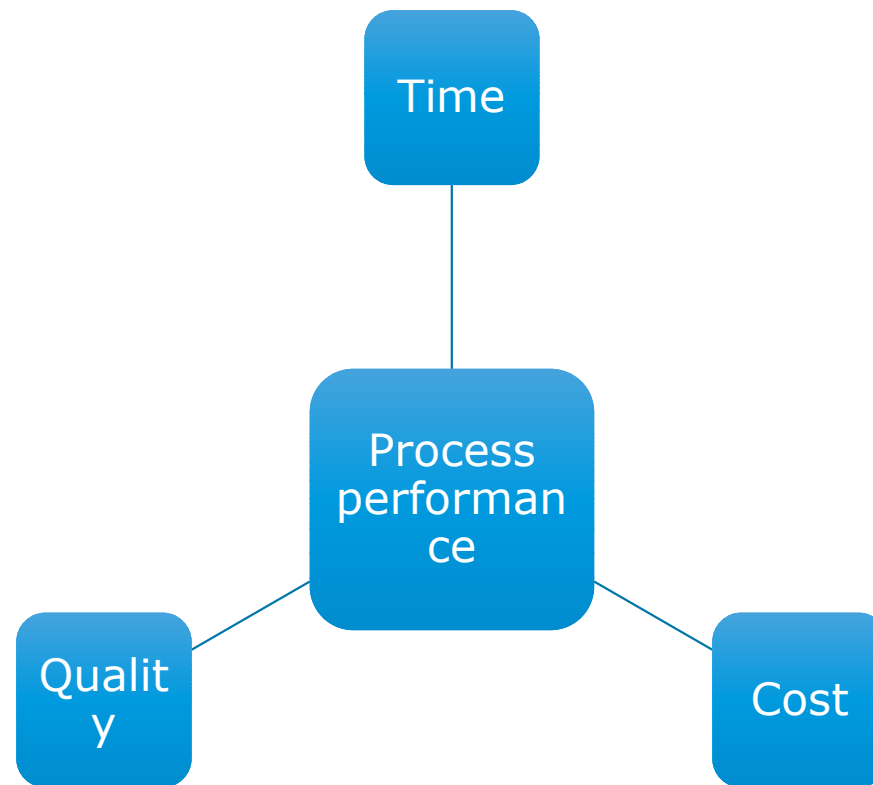
- Flow analysis
- Queuing analysis
- Simulation

Why flow analysis is not enough?

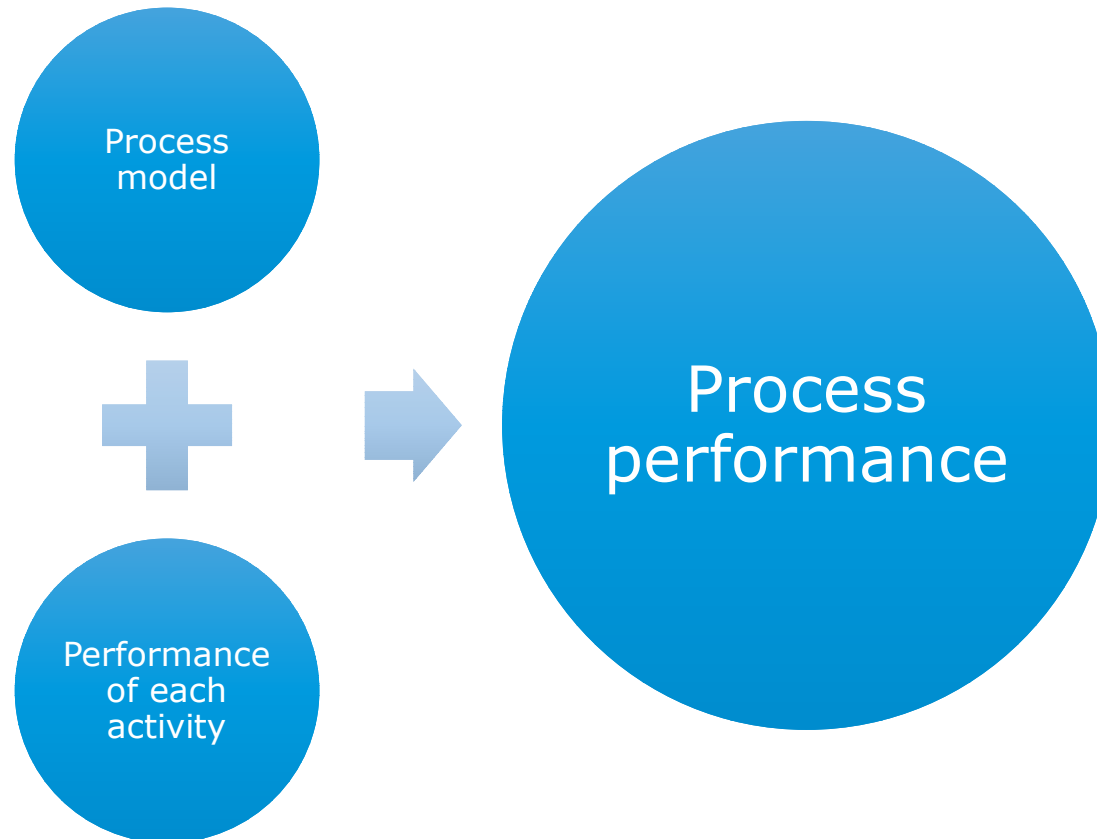
Flow analysis
does not
consider waiting
times due to
resource
contention

Queuing analysis
and simulation
address these
limitations and
have a broader
applicability

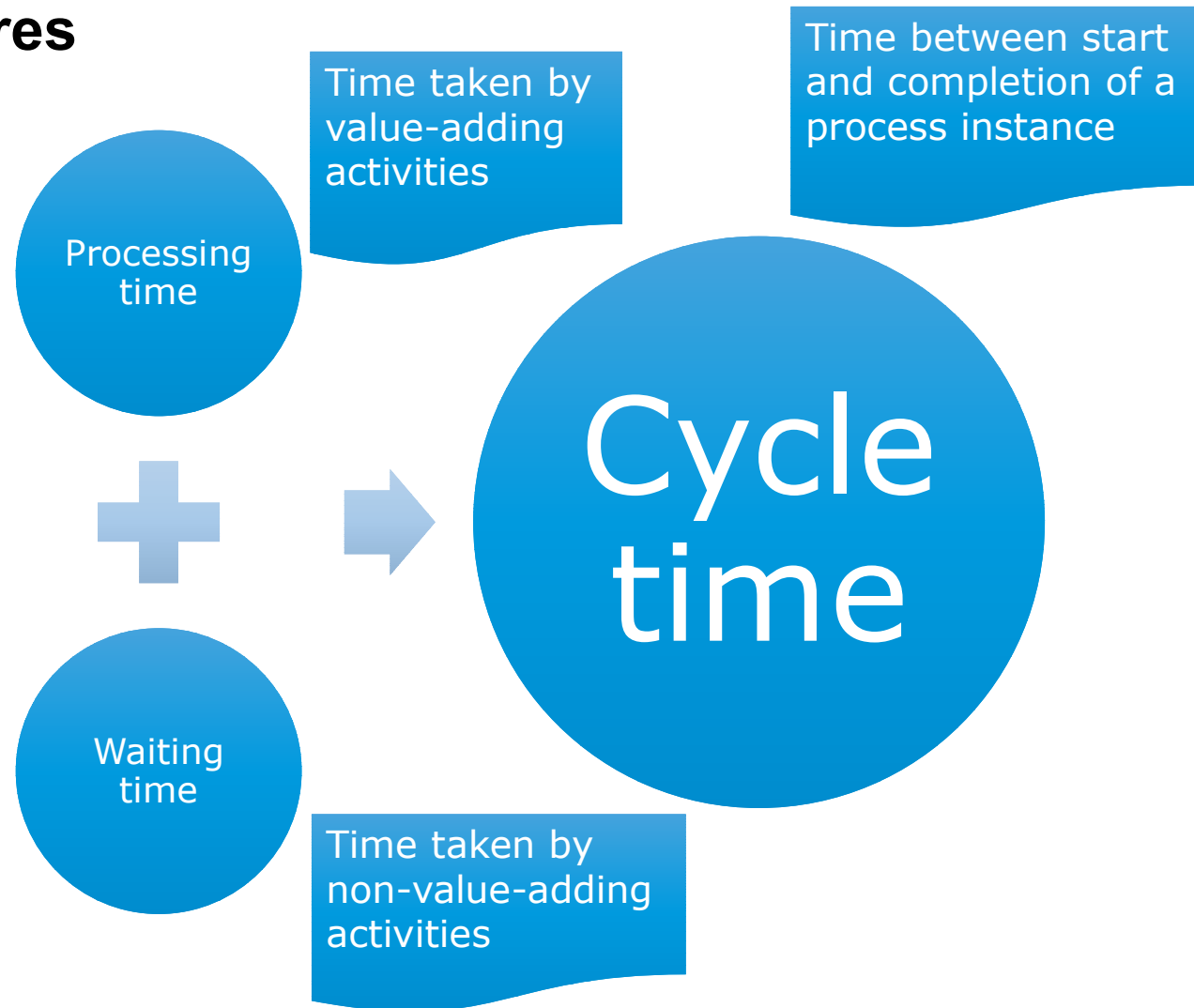
Process performance



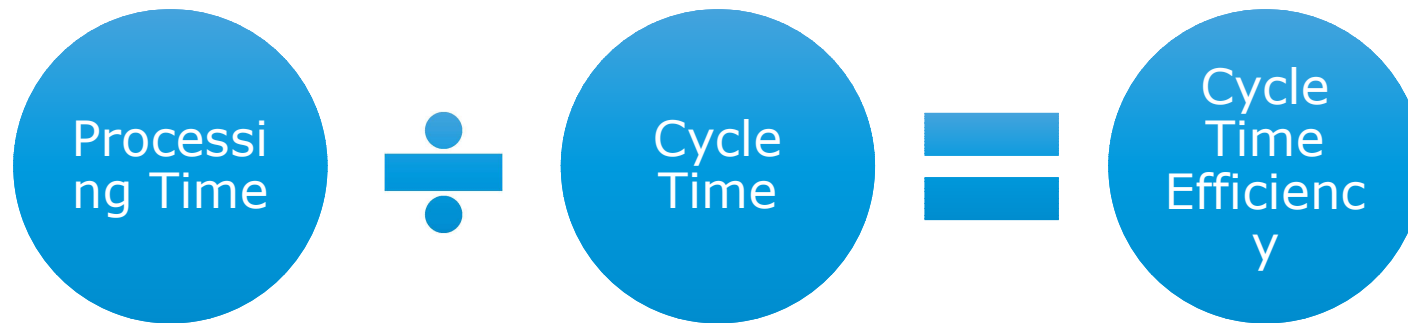
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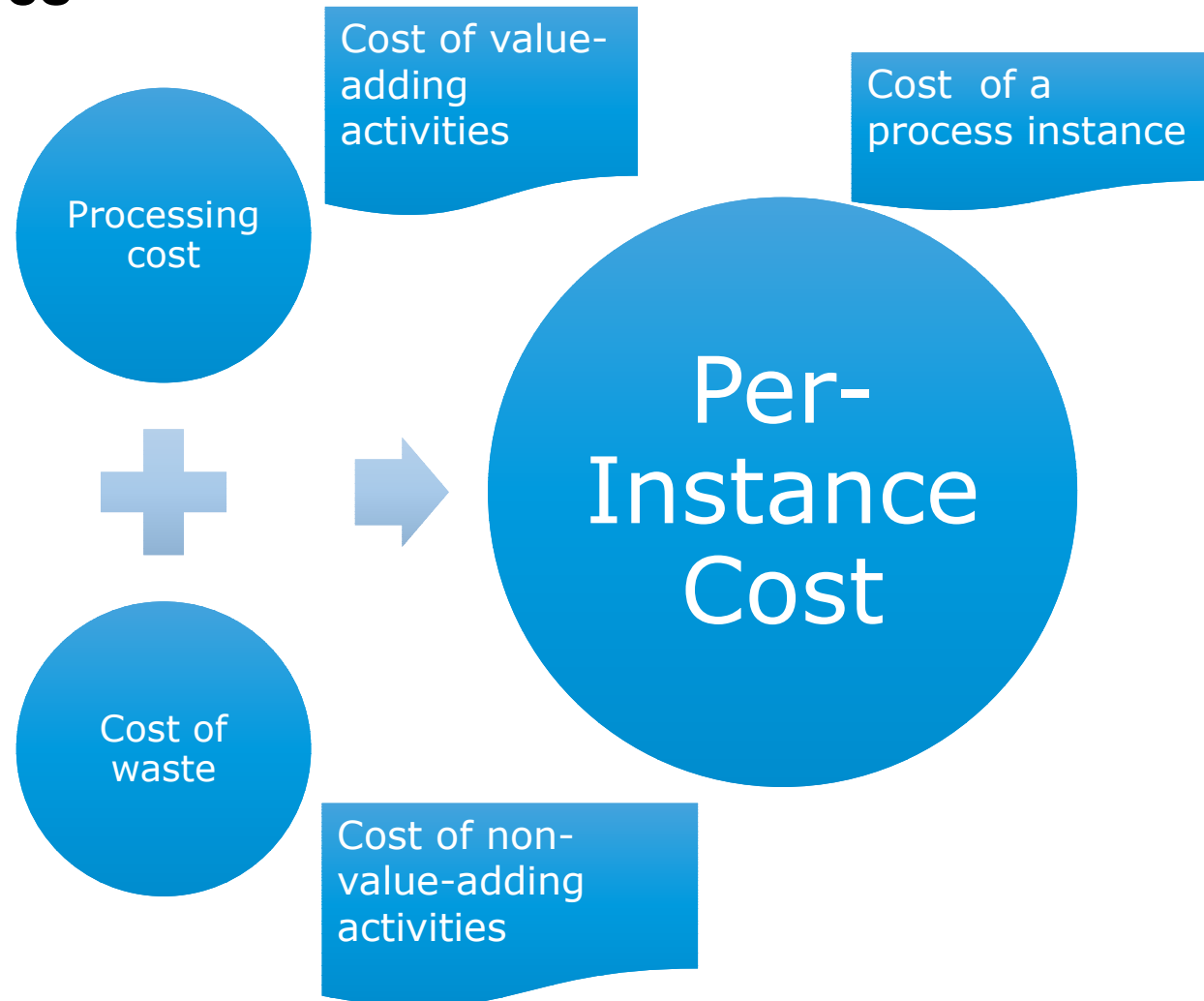
Time measures



Cycle time efficiency



Cost measures



Typical components of cost

Material cost

- Cost of tangible or intangible resources used per process instance

Resource cost

- Cost of person-hours employed per process instance

Resource utilization



Resource utilization = 60%
→ on average resources are idle 40% of their allocated time

Resource utilization vs. waiting time



**Typically, when resource utilization > 90%
→ Waiting time increases steeply**

Quality

Product quality

- Defect rate

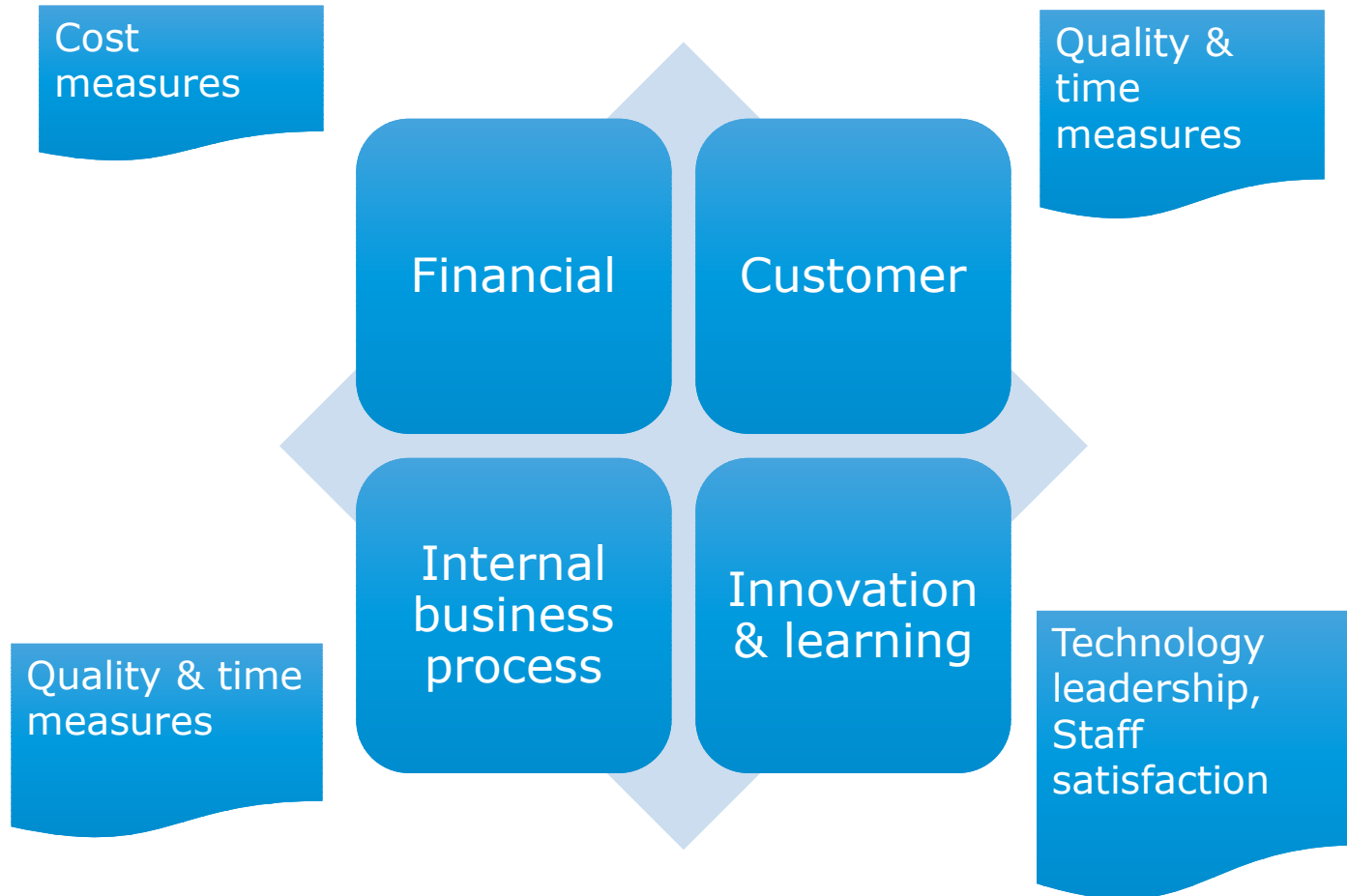
Delivery quality

- On-time delivery rate
- Cycle time variance

Customer satisfaction

- Customer feedback score

Balanced scorecard



Process performance reference models

Supply Chain Operations Reference Model (SCOR)

- Performance measures for supply chain management processes

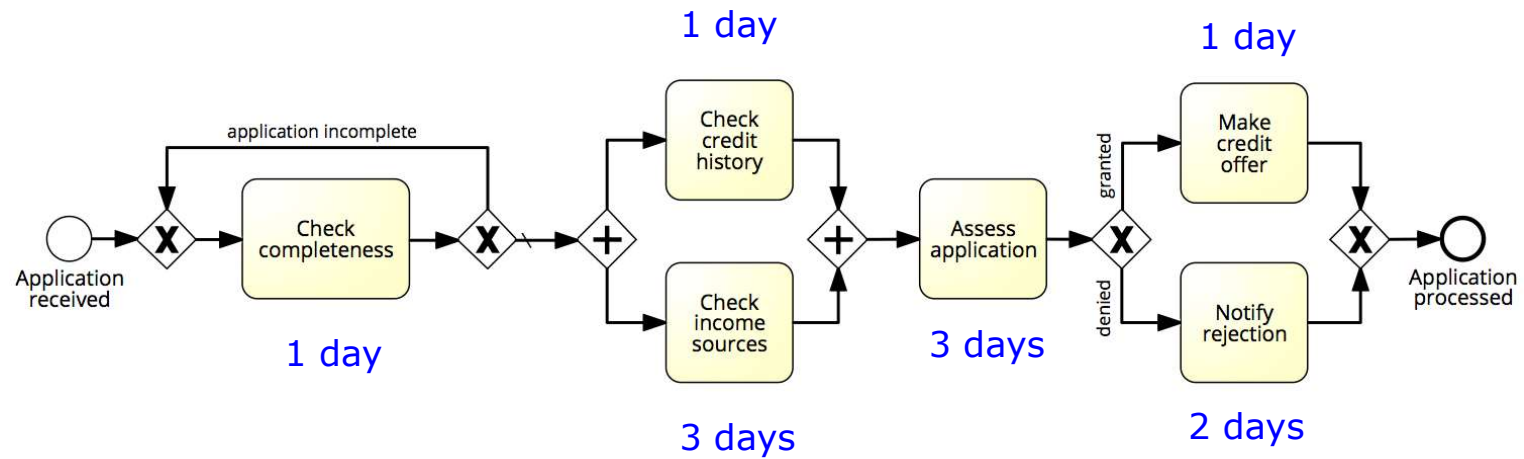
American Productivity and Quality Council (APQC)

- Performance measures and benchmarks for processes in the Process Classification Framework (PCF)

IT Infrastructure Library (ITIL)

- Performance measures for IT service management processes

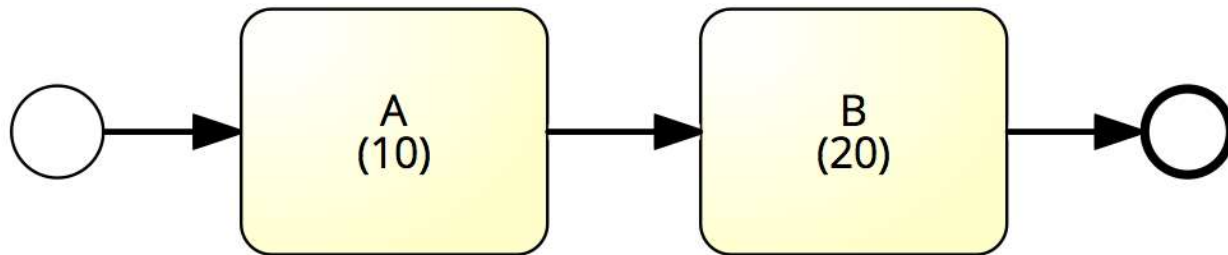
Flow analysis of cycle time



Cycle time = X days

Sequence – Example

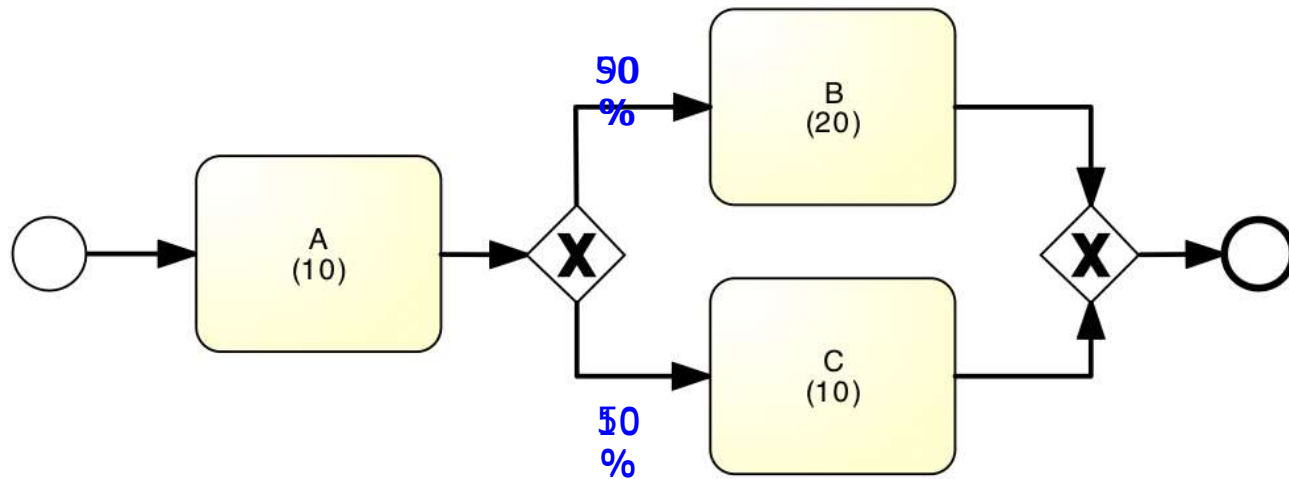
- What is the average cycle time?



$$\text{Cycle time} = 10 + 20 = 30$$

Example: Alternative Paths

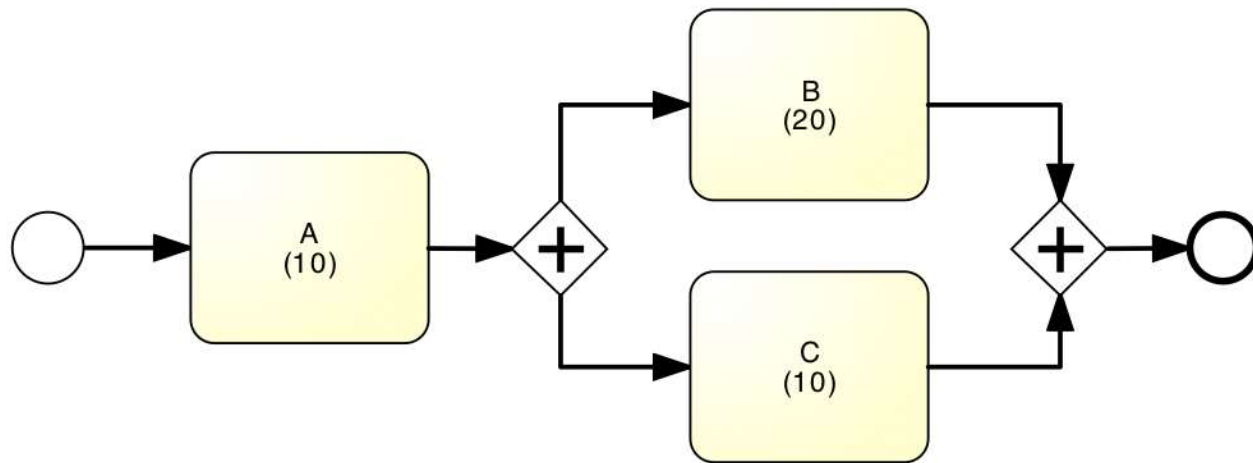
- What is the average cycle time?



$$\text{Cycle time} = 10 + (20 + 10) / 2 = 25$$
$$\text{Cycle time} = 10 + 0.9 * 20 + 0.1 * 10 = 29$$

Example: Parallel paths

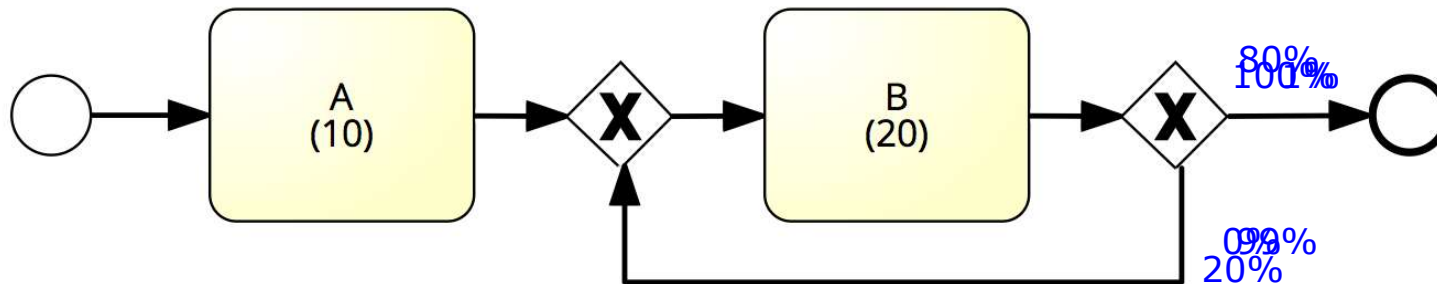
- What is the average cycle time?



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Example: Rework loop

- What is the average cycle time?

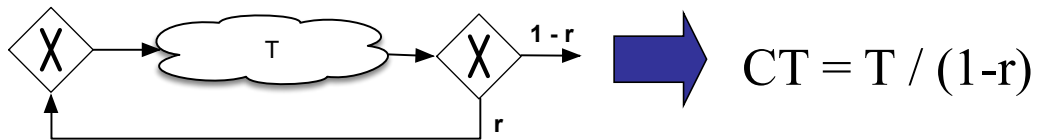
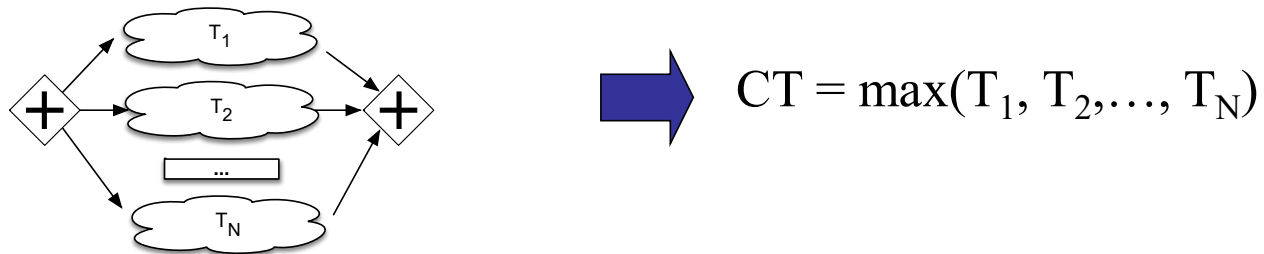
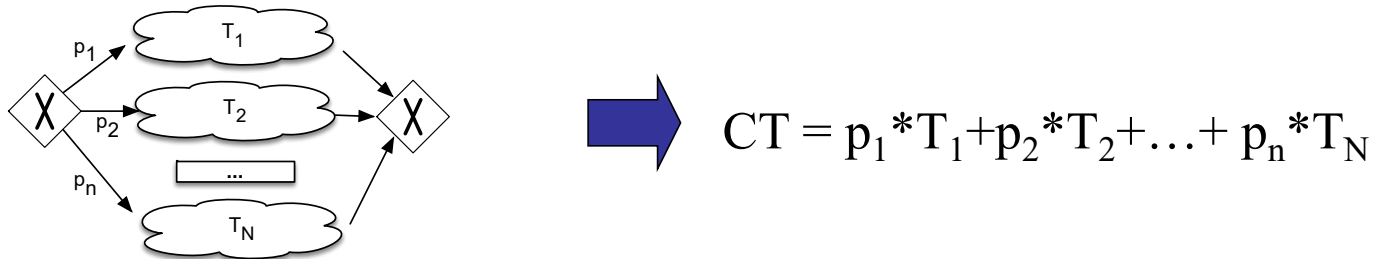
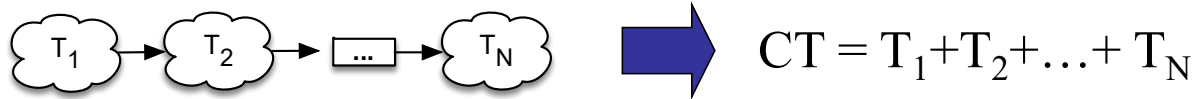


$$\text{Cycle time} = 10 + 20 = 30$$

$$\text{Cycle time} = 10 + 20/0.01 = 2010$$

$$\text{Cycle time} = 10 + 20/0.8 = 35$$

Flow analysis equations for cycle time



Example 7.1

Let us consider the credit application process model in Figure 7.6 and the task cycle times given in Table 7.1. Let us also assume that in 60% of the cases the credit is granted.

The total cycle time is then: $1 + 3 + 3 + 1.4 = 8.4$ days.

Task	Cycle time
Check completeness	1 day
Check credit history	1 day
Check income sources	3 days
Assess application	3 days
Make credit offer	1 day
Notify rejection	2 days

Table 7.1 Cycle times for credit application process

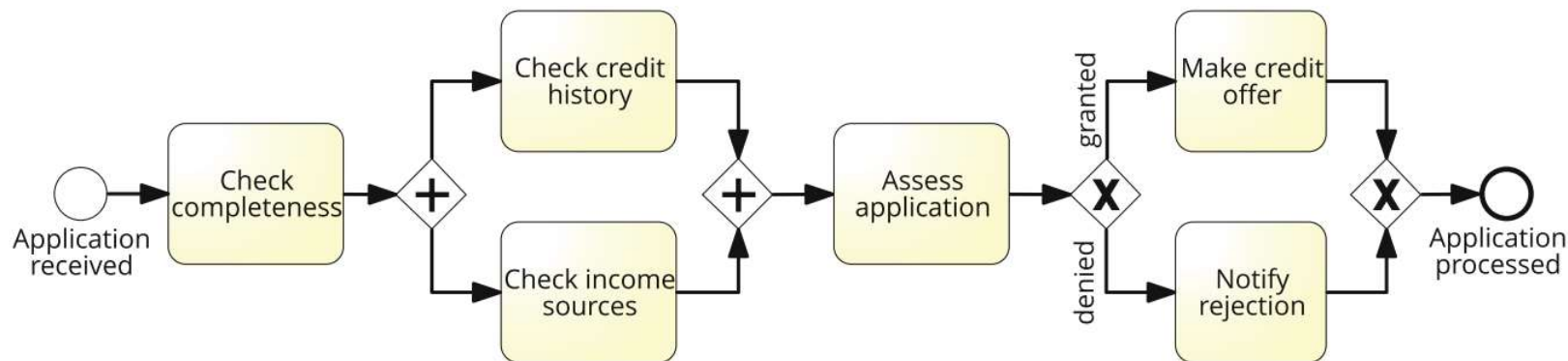
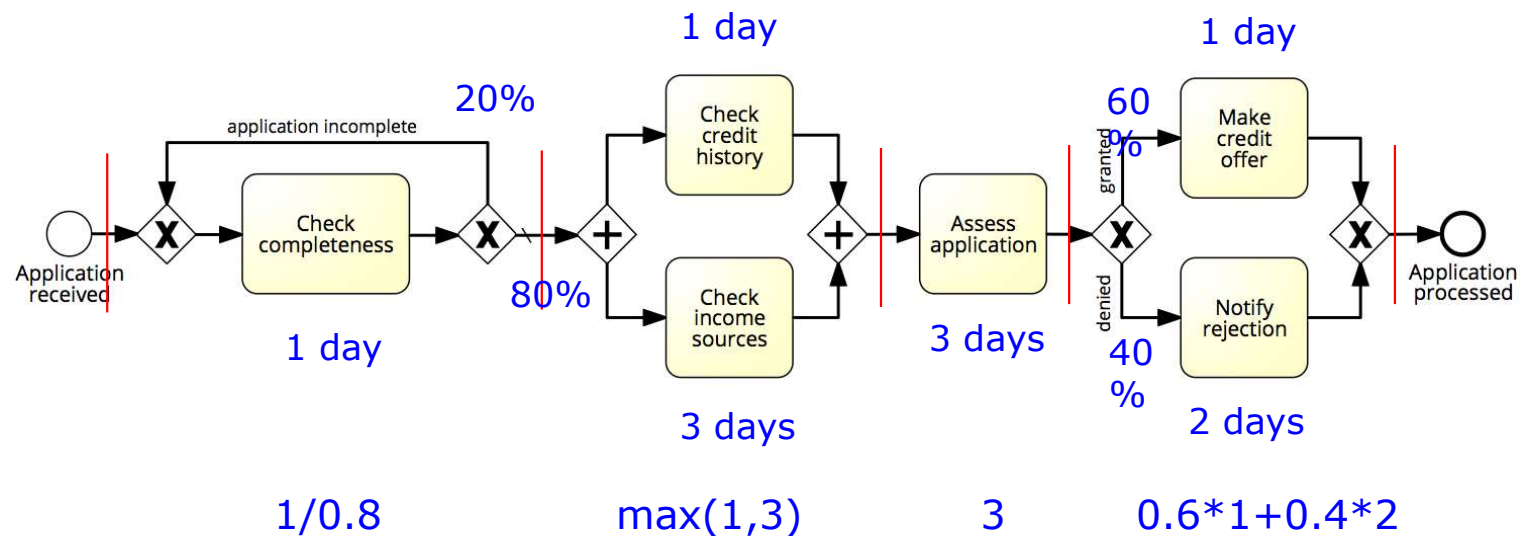


Fig. 7.6 Credit application process

Flow Analysis Of Cycle Time



$$\text{Cycle time} = 1.25 + 3 + 3 + 1.4 = 8.65 \text{ days}$$

Example 7.2

- Let us consider the credit application process model in Figure 7.10 and the cycle times previously given in Table 7.1. Let us assume that after each execution of “Check completeness”, in 20% of the cases the application is incomplete. And let us also assume that in 60% of the cases the credit is granted.

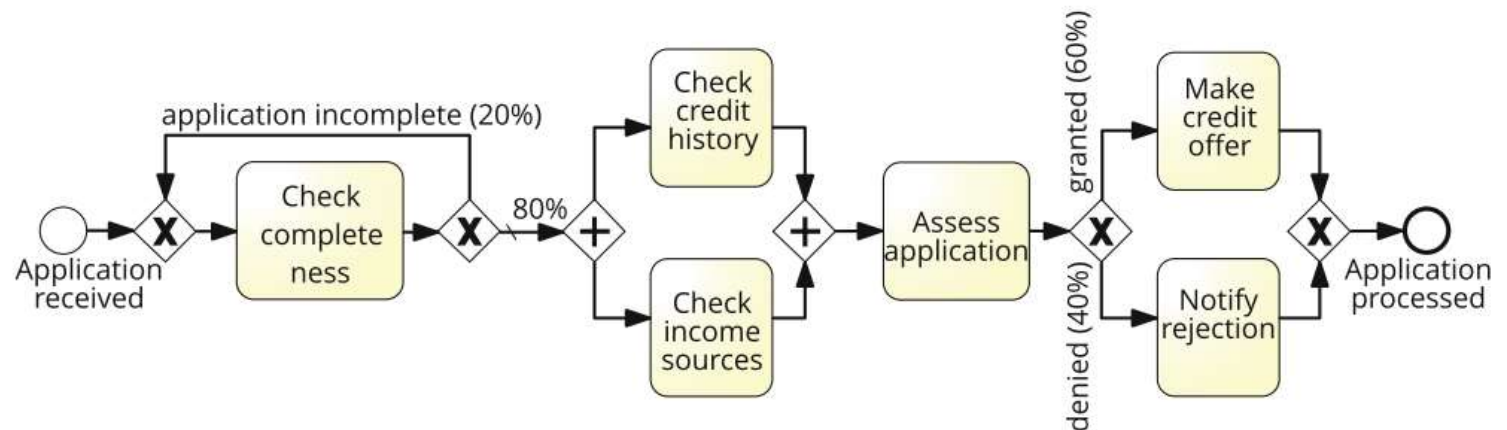
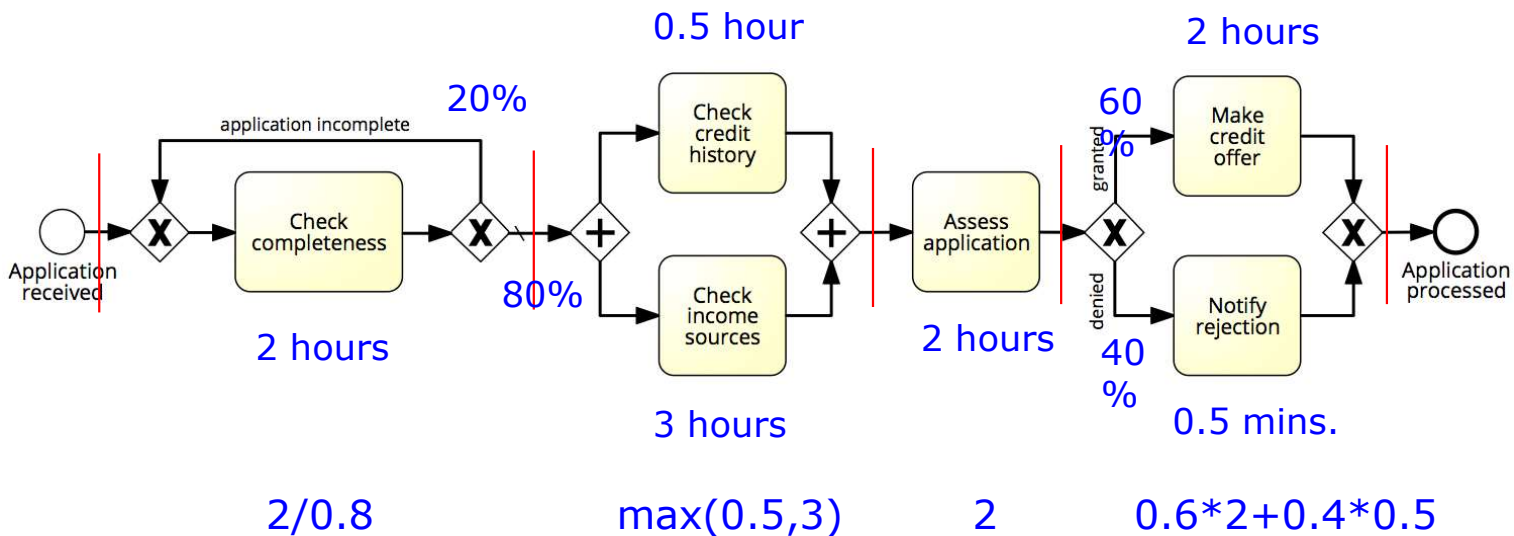


Fig. 7.10 Credit application process with rework

Flow Analysis of Processing Time



Processing time = $2.5 + 3 + 2 + 1.4 = 8.9$ hours

Cycle time efficiency = $8.9 \text{ hours} / 8.65 \text{ days} = 12.9\%$

Cycle Time Efficiency

- Cycle time efficiency = processing time / cycle time
- Cycle time efficiency = 8.9 hours / 8.65 days
- 8 Working hours per day translates 8.65 days into 69.2 hours
- **Cycle time efficiency = 8.9 hours / 69.2 hours = 12.9%**

Exercise 7.1

Consider the process model given in Figure 3.8 (page 86). Calculate the cycle time under the following assumptions:

- Each task in the process takes 1 h on average.
- In 40% of the cases the order contains only Amsterdam products.
- In 40% of the cases the order contains only Hamburg products.
- In 20% of the cases the order contains products from both warehouses.

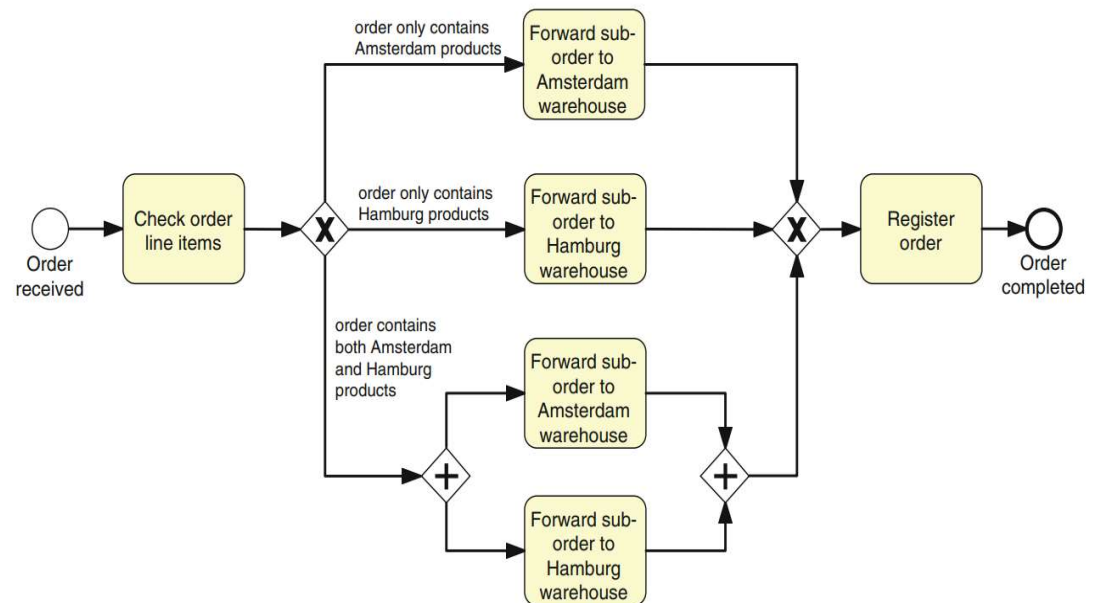


Fig. 3.8 Modeling an inclusive decision: first trial