# Design Thinking to Business Process Modelling

Leveraging Innovative Approaches for Business Optimization

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# Introduction to Design Thinking

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Definition: Design thinking is a problem-solving methodology that involves empathy, experimentation, and iteration to find innovative solutions. 02

Design thinking steps: Empathize, Define, Ideate, Prototype, Test. 03

Emphasize its user-centric approach which focuses on understanding the needs and challenges of the end-users.

## **Application of Design Thinking in Business**

**Enhancing products:** Design thinking helps to understand customer needs and thus improve products to meet those needs. For instance, Airbnb used design thinking to overhaul their product experience and saw significant growth.

**Process optimization:** By empathizing with employees and understanding their challenges, companies can optimize their processes. Example: A call center using design thinking to streamline their problem-solving process, reducing average call time.

### Introduction to Business Process Modelling

**Definition:** Business Process Modelling (BPM) is the act of representing processes of an enterprise, so that the current processes may be analysed, improved, and automated.

**Components:** A model generally consists of events, activities, business rules, control flow, and actors.

**Benefits:** Improved communication, process standardization, enhanced control and governance, ability to automate processes, etc.

### Applying Design Thinking to Business Process Modelling

1

**Empathize:** 

Understand the needs of all stakeholders involved in the business process.

2

**Define:** Identify the problem areas in the current business process.

3

**Ideate:** Brainstorm possible solutions and improvements for the business process.

4

**Prototype:** Create a prototype (or model) of the improved business process.

5

**Test:** Test the new business process, gain feedback, and iterate for further improvements.

# **Example - Retail Company**

