

# Lean Operations

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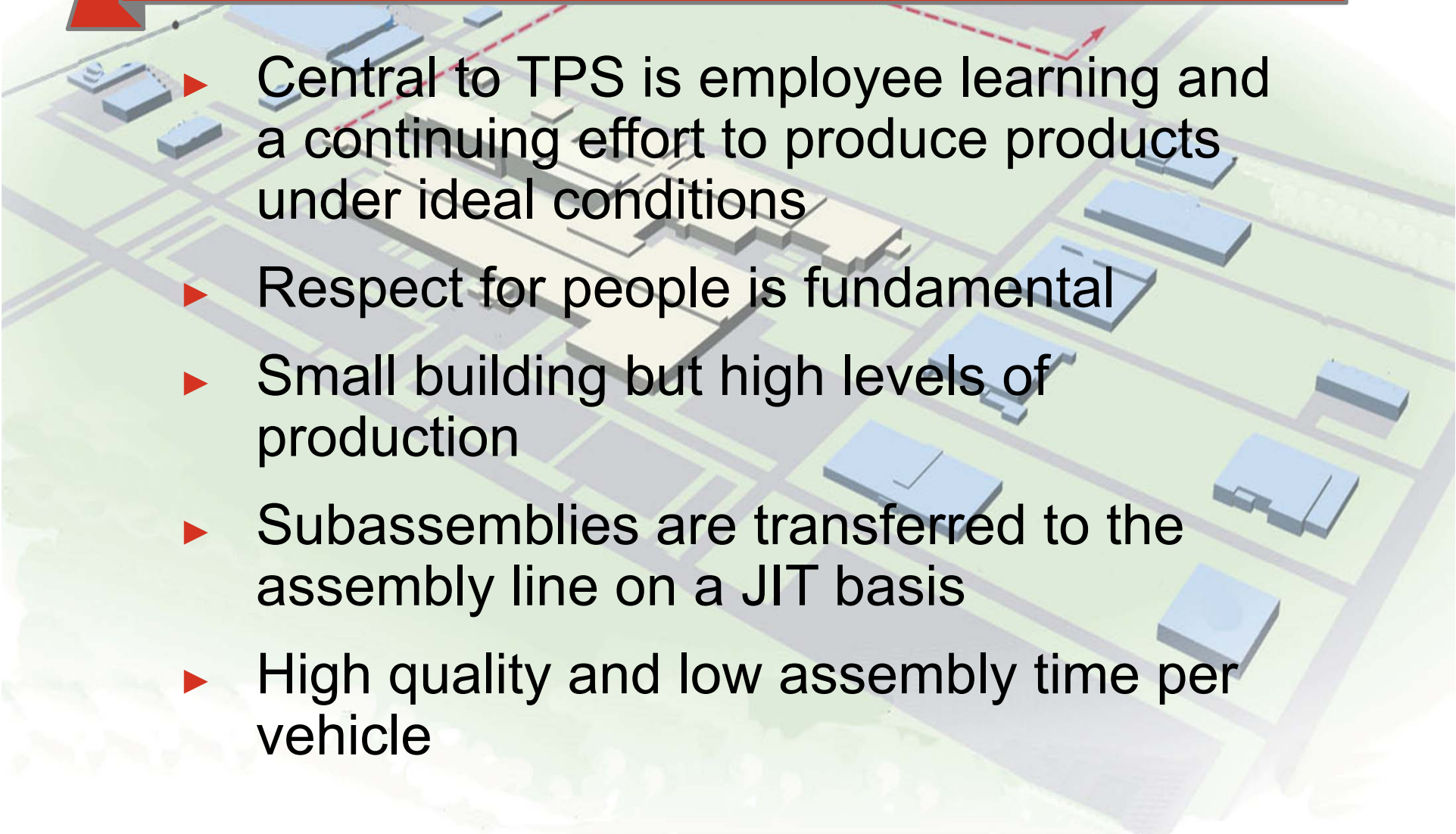
# Outline

- ▶ **Global Company Profile:**  
Toyota Motor Corporation
- ▶ Lean Operations
- ▶ Lean and Just-in-Time
- ▶ Lean and the Toyota Production System
- ▶ Lean Organizations
- ▶ Lean in Services


# Toyota Motor Corporation

- ▶ One of the largest vehicle manufacturers in the world with annual sales of over 9 million vehicles
- ▶ Success due to two techniques, JIT and TPS
- ▶ Continual problem solving is central to JIT
- ▶ Eliminating excess inventory makes problems immediately evident


# Toyota Motor Corporation

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- ▶ Central to TPS is employee learning and a continuing effort to produce products under ideal conditions
  - ▶ Respect for people is fundamental
  - ▶ Small building but high levels of production
  - ▶ Subassemblies are transferred to the assembly line on a JIT basis
  - ▶ High quality and low assembly time per vehicle

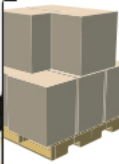
# TPS Elements




**Assembly Components**  
Placed in cab for easy access rather than on shelves adjacent to the assembly line.



**Andon**  
Problem display board that communicates abnormalities.



**Pull System**  
Units produced only when more production is needed.  
**Kanban**  
Signal that indicates production of small batches of components.



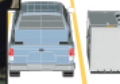
**Respect for People**  
Employees treated as knowledge workers.  
**Empowered Employees**  
Can stop production, ideas solicited, quality circles, etc.



**Standard Work Practices**  
Rigorous, agreed upon, documented procedures for production.




**JIT**  
Parts and supplies delivered just as needed in the quantity needed.




**Minimal Machines**  
Proprietary machines designed for specific Toyota applications.



**Level Schedules**  
Models mixed on production lines to meet customer orders.



**Jidoka**  
Monitoring performance, making judgements, and even stopping the line as necessary.



**Kaizen Area**  
An area where suggestions are tested and evaluated.

- 1 AGC Automotive Americas  
Glass assemblies
- 2 ARK Inc.  
Industrial waste management, recycling
- 3 HERO Assemblers LLP  
Assembly of tire onto wheel
- 4 HERO Logistics LLP  
Logistics
- 5 PPG Industries Inc.  
Glass assemblies
- 6 Reyes Automotive Group  
Interior/exterior parts
- 7 Tokai Rika  
Functional parts

Seven suppliers inside the main plant

# Learning Objectives

**When you complete this chapter you should be able to:**

**16.1 *Define*** Lean operations

**16.2 *Define*** the seven wastes and the 5Ss

**16.3 *Identify*** the concerns of suppliers when moving to supplier partnerships

**16.4 *Determine*** optimal setup time

# Learning Objectives

**When you complete this chapter you should be able to:**

**16.5** *Define* kanban

**16.6** *Identify* six attributes of Lean organizations

**16.7** *Explain* how “Lean Concept” applies to services

# Lean Operations

- ▶ **Lean operations** supply the customer with exactly what the customer wants when the customer wants it, without waste, through continuous improvement
- ▶ Driven by “pulling” customer orders

# Lean Operations

- ▶ **Just-in-time (JIT)** focuses on continuous forced problem solving
- ▶ **Toyota Production System (TPS)** emphasizes continuous improvement, respect for people, and standard work practices in an assembly-line environment

# Lean Operations

- ▶ Encompasses both JIT and TPS
- ▶ Sustains competitive advantage and increases return to stakeholders
- ▶ **Three fundamental issues**
  - ▶ Eliminate waste
  - ▶ Remove variability
  - ▶ Improve throughput

# Eliminate Waste

- ▶ Waste is anything that does not add value from the customer point of view
- ▶ Storage, inspection, delay, waiting in queues, and defective products do not add value and are 100% waste

# Ohno's Seven Wastes

- ▶ *Overproduction*
- ▶ *Queues*
- ▶ *Transportation*
- ▶ *Inventory*
- ▶ *Motion*
- ▶ *Overprocessing*
- ▶ *Defective products*

# Eliminate Waste

- ▶ Other resources such as energy, water, and air are often wasted
- ▶ Efficient, sustainable production minimizes inputs, reduces waste
- ▶ Traditional "housekeeping" has been expanded to the 5Ss

# The 5Ss

- ▶ ***Sort/segregate*** – when in doubt, throw it out
- ▶ ***Simplify/straighten*** – methods analysis tools
- ▶ ***Shine/sweep*** – clean daily
- ▶ ***Standardize*** – remove variations from processes
- ▶ ***Sustain/self-discipline*** – review work and recognize progress

# The 5Ss

▶ **Sort/segregate** – when in doubt, throw it out

▶ **Simplify/straighten** – methods analysis to

Two additional Ss

▶ **Safety** – built in good practices

▶ **Support/maintenance** – reduce variability and unplanned downtime

# Remove Variability

- ▶ **Variability** is any deviation from the optimum process
- ▶ Lean systems require managers to reduce variability caused by both internal and external factors
- ▶ Inventory hides variability
- ▶ Less variability results in less waste

# Sources of Variability

- ▶ Poor processes resulting in improper quantities, late, or non-conforming units
- ▶ Inadequate maintenance
- ▶ Unknown and changing customer demands
- ▶ Incomplete or inaccurate drawings, specifications, or bills of material

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- ▶ Unknown customer demands
- ▶ Incomplete specifications

Both JIT and inventory reduction are effective tools in identifying causes of variability

# Improve Throughput

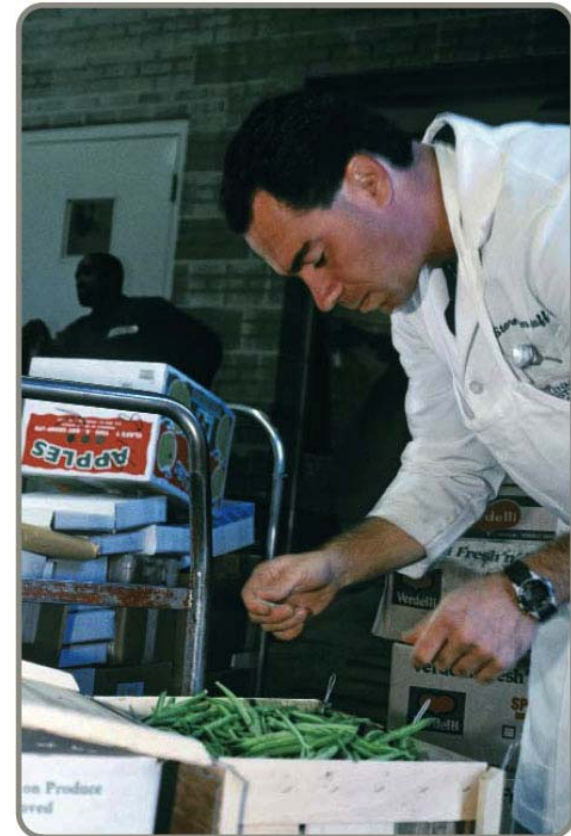
- ▶ The rate at which units move through a process
- ▶ The time between the arrival of raw materials and the shipping of the finished order is called **manufacturing cycle time**
- ▶ A **pull system** increases throughput

# Improve Throughput

- ▶ By *pulling* material in small lots, inventory cushions are removed, exposing problems and emphasizing continual improvement
- ▶ Manufacturing cycle time is reduced
- ▶ *Push* systems dump orders on the downstream stations regardless of the need

# Lean and Just-In-Time

- ▶ Powerful strategy for improving operations
- ▶ Materials arrive *where* they are needed only *when* they are needed
- ▶ Identifying problems and driving out waste reduces costs and variability and improves throughput
- ▶ Requires a meaningful buyer-supplier relationship



# Supplier Partnerships

- ▶ **Supplier partnerships** exist when a supplier and purchaser work together to remove waste and drive down costs
- ▶ Four goals of supplier partnerships are:
  - ▶ *Removal of unnecessary activities*
  - ▶ *Removal of in-plant inventory*
  - ▶ *Removal of in-transit inventory*
  - ▶ *Improved quality and reliability*

# Concerns of Suppliers

- ▶ *Diversification* – ties to only one customer increases risk
- ▶ *Scheduling* – don't believe customers can create a smooth schedule
- ▶ *Lead time* – short lead times mean engineering or specification changes can create problems
- ▶ *Quality* – limited by capital budgets, processes, or technology
- ▶ *Lot sizes* – small lot sizes may transfer costs to suppliers

# Lean Layout

- ▶ Reduce waste due to movement

TABLE 16.1
LEAN LAYOUT TACTICS
Build work cells for families of products
Include a large number operations in a small area
Minimize distance
Design little space for inventory
Improve employee communication
Use <i>poka-yoke devices</i>
Build flexible or movable equipment
Cross-train workers to add flexibility

# Distance Reduction

- ▶ Large lots and long production lines with single-purpose machinery are being replaced by smaller flexible cells
- ▶ Often U-shaped for shorter paths and improved communication
- ▶ Often using group technology concepts

# Increased Flexibility

- ▶ Cells designed to be rearranged as volume or designs change
- ▶ Applicable in office environments as well as production settings
- ▶ Facilitates both product and process improvement

# Impact on Employees

- ▶ Employees may be cross-trained for flexibility and efficiency
- ▶ Improved communications facilitate the passing on of important information about the process (*poka-yoke* functions can help)
- ▶ With little or no inventory buffer, getting it right the first time is critical

# Reduced Space and Inventory

- ▶ With reduced space, inventory must be in very small lots
- ▶ Units are always moving because there is no storage

# Lean Inventory

- ▶ Inventory is at the minimum level necessary to keep operations running

TABLE 16.2

## LEAN INVENTORY TACTICS

Use a pull system to move inventory

Reduce lot sizes

Develop just-in-time delivery systems with suppliers

Deliver directly to point of use

Perform to schedule

Reduce setup time

Use group technology

# Reduce Variability

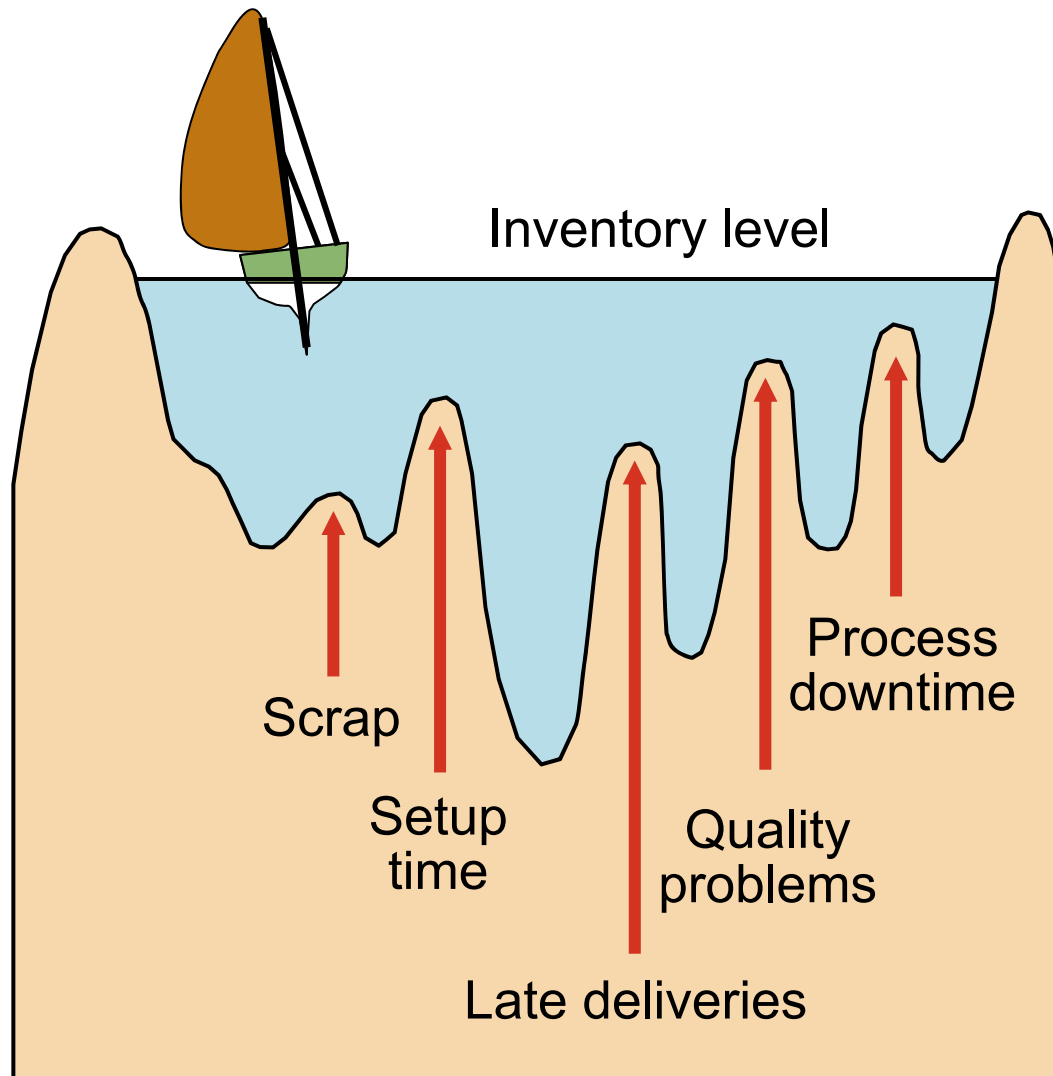


Figure 16.3

# Reduce Variability

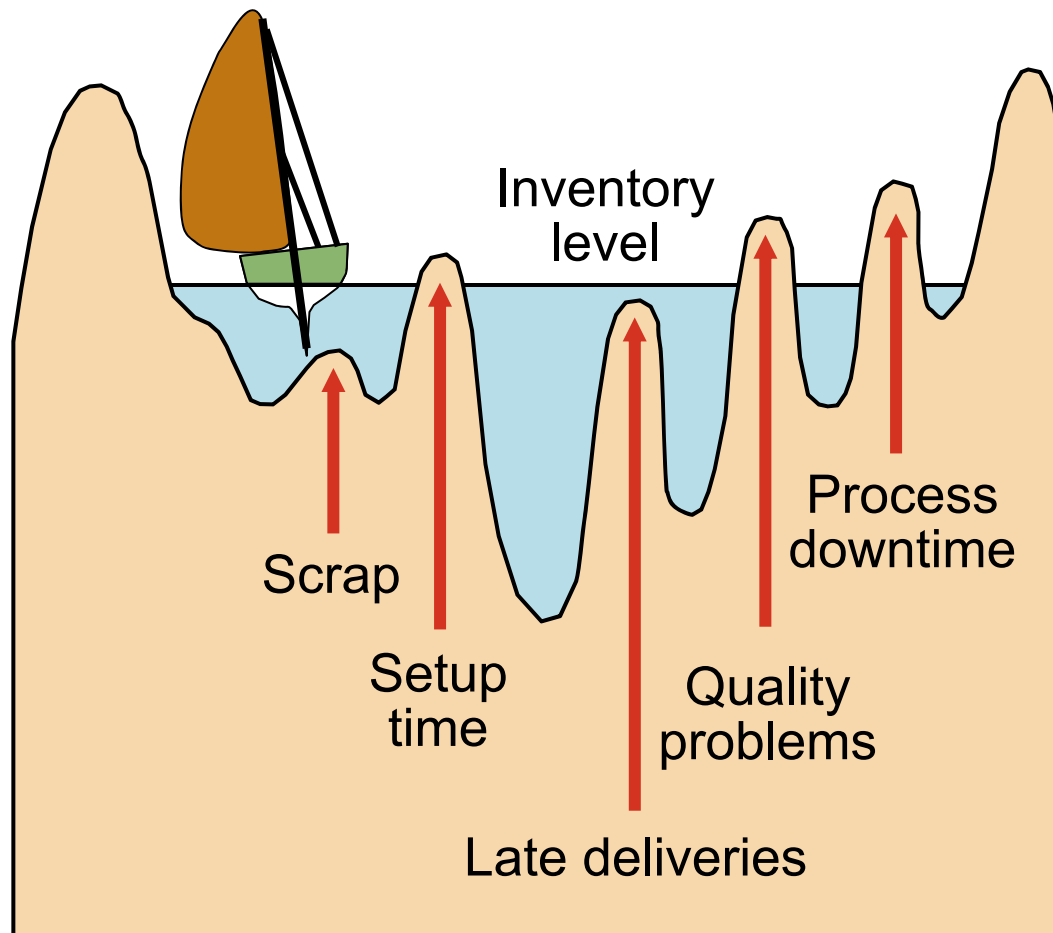


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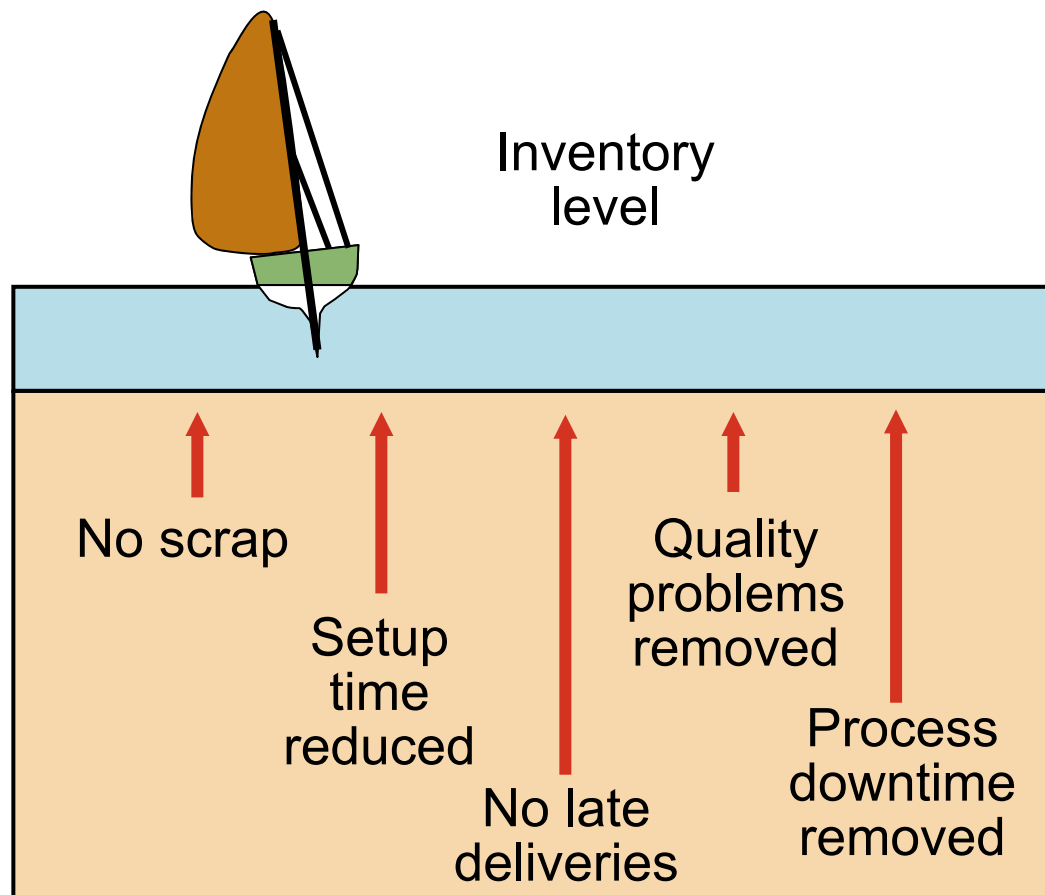


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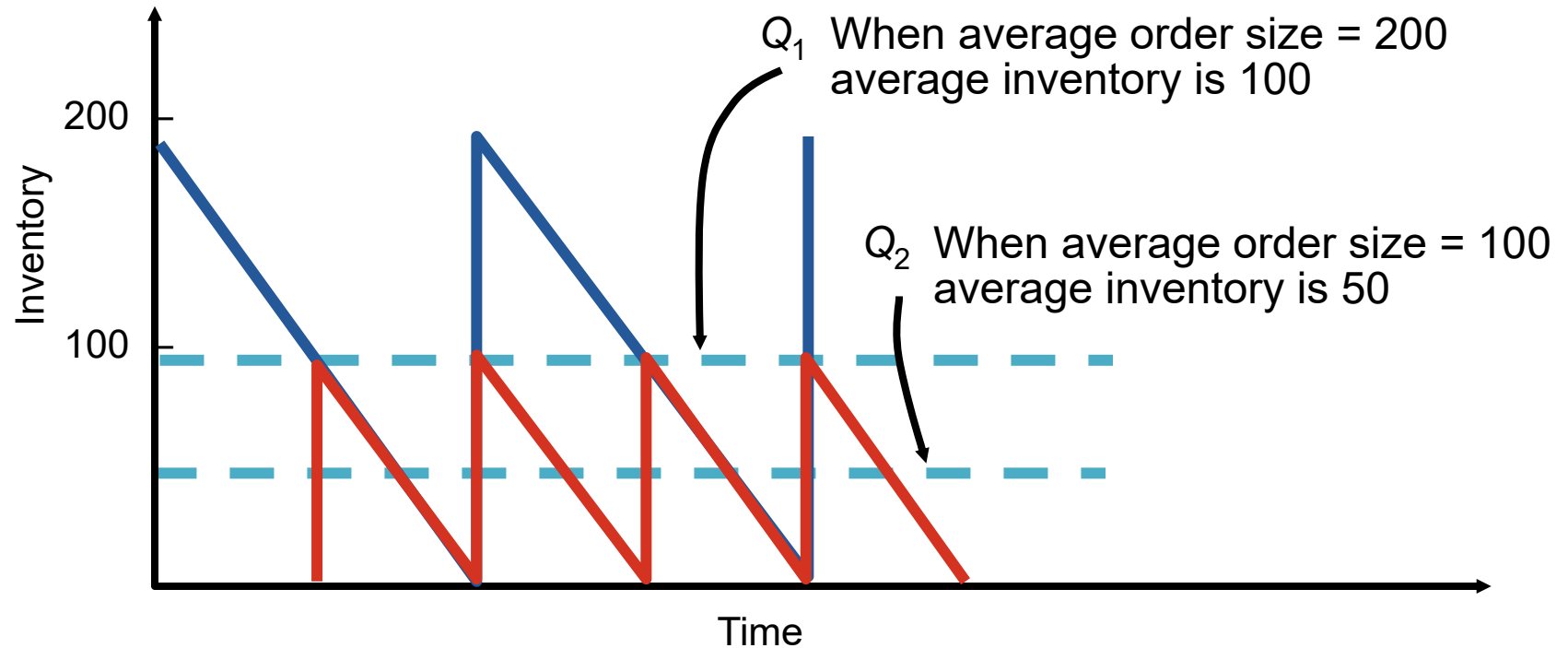
# Reduce Inventory

- ▶ Reducing inventory uncovers the "rocks"
- ▶ Problems are exposed
- ▶ Ultimately there will be virtually no inventory and no problems
- ▶ Shingo says "Inventory is evil"



# Reduce Lot Sizes

Figure 16.4



# Reduce Lot Sizes

- ▶ Ideal situation is to have lot sizes of one pulled from one process to the next
- ▶ Often not feasible
- ▶ Can use EOQ analysis to calculate desired setup time
- ▶ Two key changes necessary
  - ▶ Improve material handling
  - ▶ Reduce setup time

$$Q_p^* = \sqrt{\frac{2DS}{H[1-(d/p)]}}$$

# Setup Time Example

$D$  = Annual demand = 400,000 units

$d$  = Daily demand =  $400,000/250 = 1,600$  per day

$p$  = Daily production rate = 4,000 units

$Q_p$  = EOQ desired = 400

$H$  = Holding cost = \$20 per unit

$S$  = Setup cost (to be determined)

$$Q_p^* = \sqrt{\frac{2DS}{H[1-(d/p)]}} \quad Q_p^2 = \frac{2DS}{H[1-(d/p)]}$$

$$S = \frac{(Q_p^2)(H)(1-d/p)}{2D} = \frac{(400)^2(20)(1-1,600/4,000)}{2(400,000)} = \$2.40$$

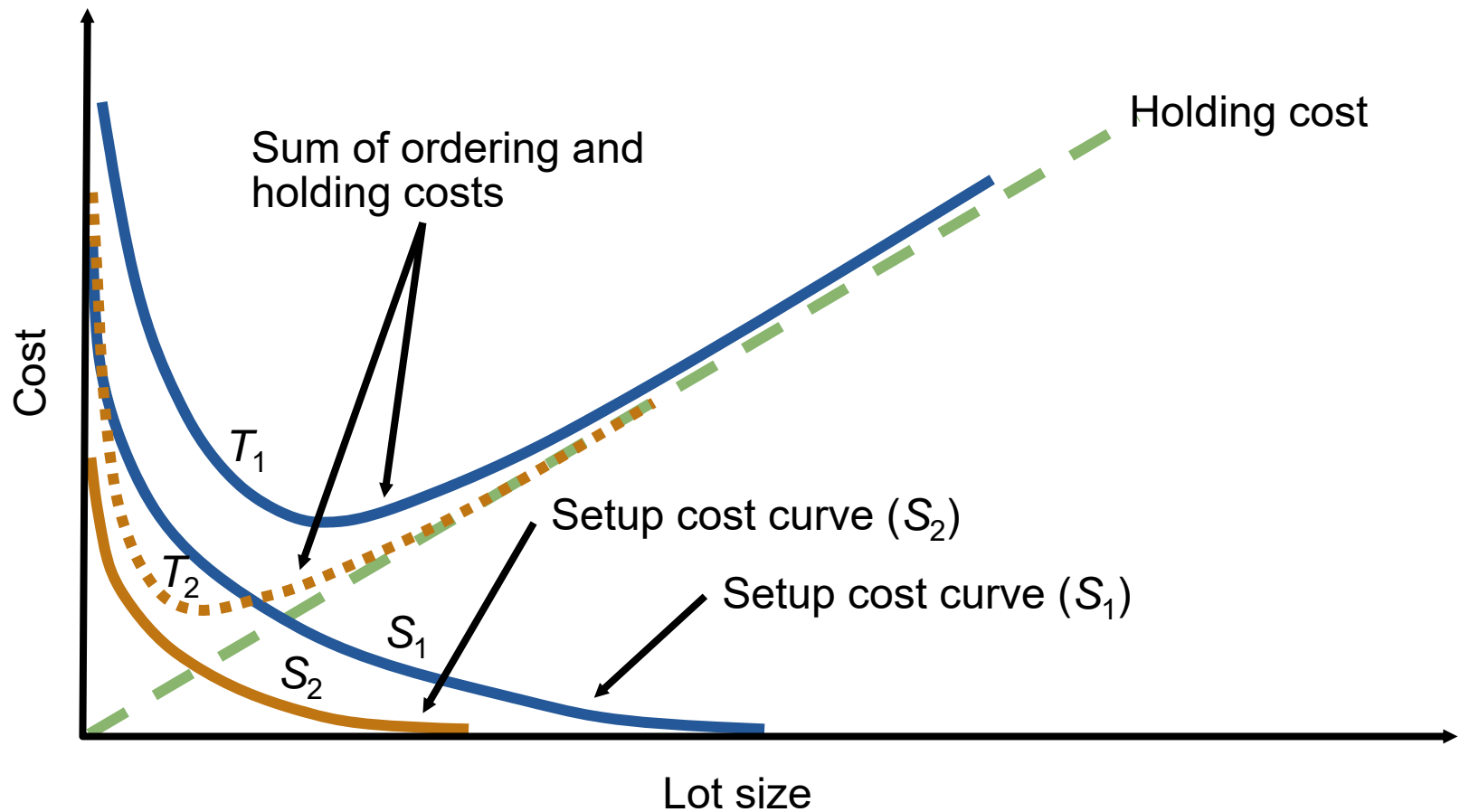
Setup time =  $\$2.40/(\$30/\text{hour}) = 0.08 \text{ hr} = 4.8 \text{ minutes}$

# Reduce Setup Costs

- ▶ High setup costs encourage large lot sizes
- ▶ Reducing setup costs reduces lot size and reduces average inventory
- ▶ Setup time can be reduced through preparation prior to shutdown and changeover

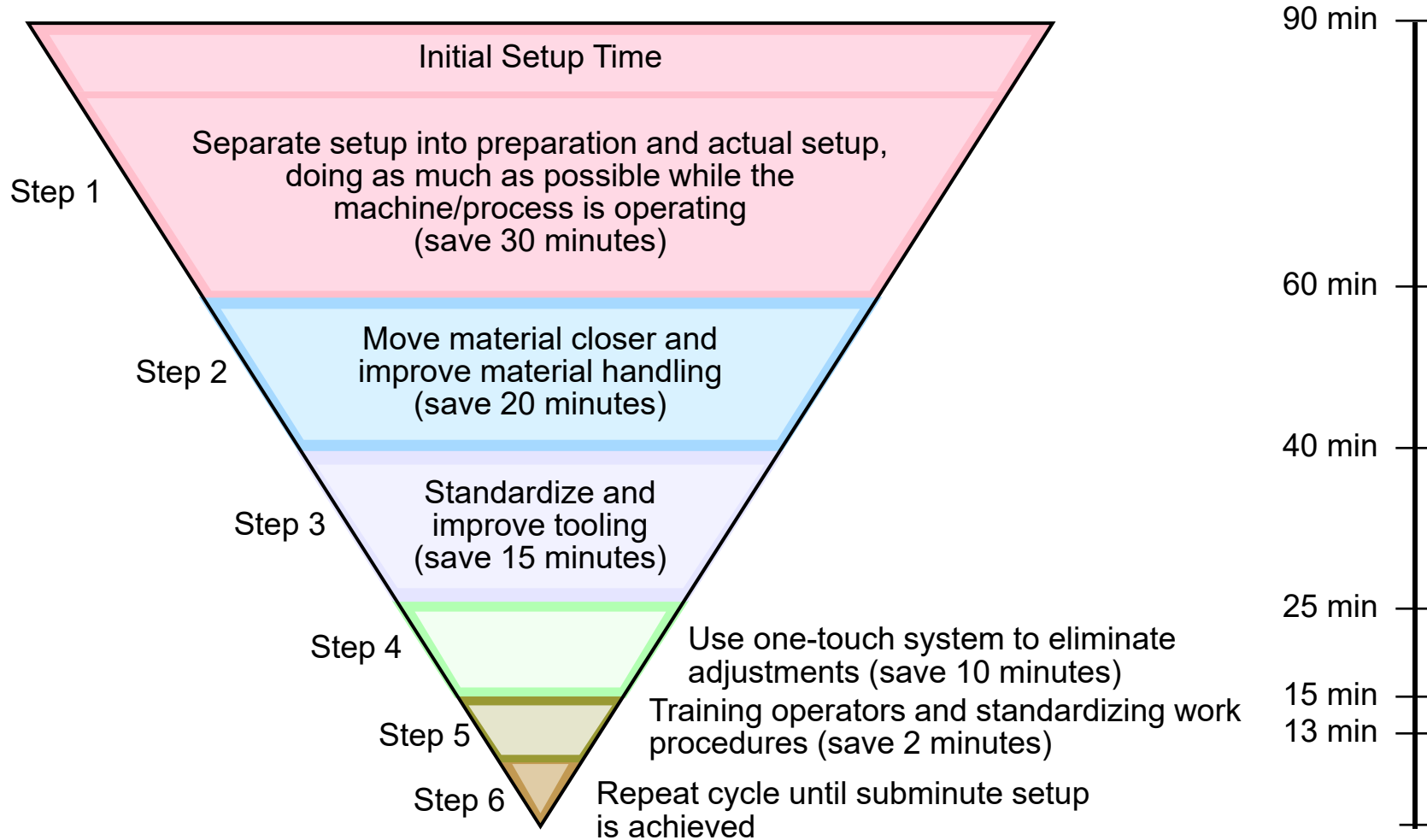
# Lower Setup Costs

Figure 16.5



# Reduce Setup Costs

Figure 16.6



# Lean Scheduling

- ▶ Schedules must be communicated inside and outside the organization
- ▶ Level schedules
  - ▶ Process frequent small batches
  - ▶ Freezing the schedule helps stability
- ▶ Kanban
  - ▶ Signals used in a pull system

# Lean Scheduling

- ▶ Better scheduling improves performance

TABLE 16.3
LEAN SCHEDULING TACTICS
Make level schedules
Use kanbans
Communicate schedules to suppliers
Freeze part of the schedule
Perform to schedule
Seek one-piece-make and one-piece-move
Eliminate waste
Produce in small lots
Make each operation produce a perfect part

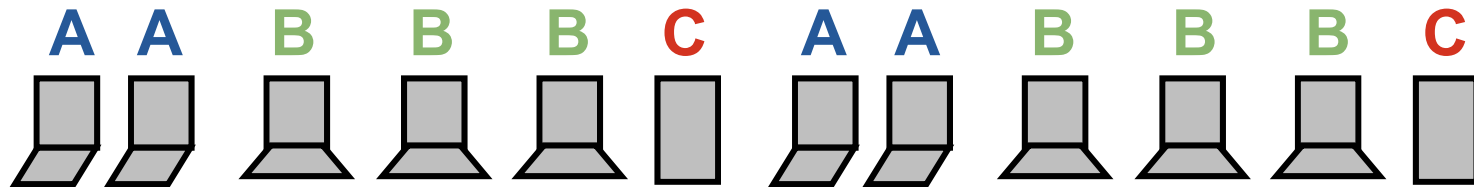
# Level Schedules

- ▶ Process frequent small batches rather than a few large batches
- ▶ Make and move small lots so the level schedule is economical
- ▶ Freezing the schedule closest to the due dates can improve performance

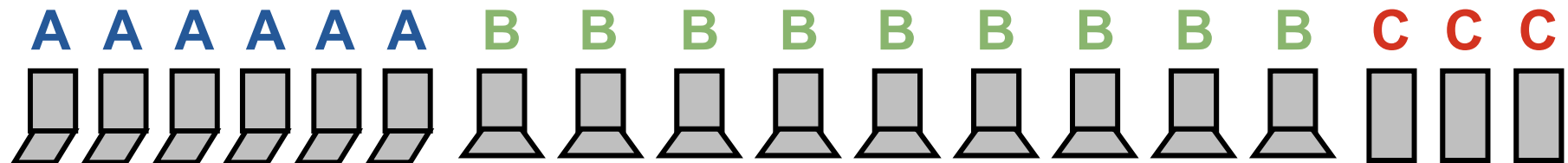
# Scheduling Small Lots

Figure 16.7

JIT Level Material-Use Approach



Large-Lot Approach



Time

# Lean Quality

- ▶ Strong relationship
  - ▶ Lean cuts the cost of obtaining good quality because Lean *exposes* poor quality
  - ▶ Because lead times are shorter, quality problems are exposed sooner
  - ▶ Better quality means fewer buffers and allows simpler Lean systems to be used

# Lean Quality Tactics

TABLE 16.4

## LEAN QUALITY TACTICS

Use statistical process control

Empower employees

Build fail-safe methods (poka-yoke, checklists, etc.)

Expose poor quality with small lots

Provide immediate feedback

# Toyota Production System

- ▶ Continuous improvement
  - ▶ Build an organizational culture and value system that stresses improvement of all processes, **kaizen**
  - ▶ Part of everyone's job
- ▶ Respect for people
  - ▶ People are treated as knowledge workers
  - ▶ Engage mental and physical capabilities
  - ▶ Empower employees



# Toyota Production System

- ▶ Processes and standard work practice
  - ▶ Work shall be completely specified as to content, sequence, timing, and outcome
  - ▶ Internal and external customer-supplier connections are direct
  - ▶ Material and service flows must be simple and directly linked to the people or machinery involved
  - ▶ Process improvement must be made in accordance with the scientific method at the lowest possible level of the organization

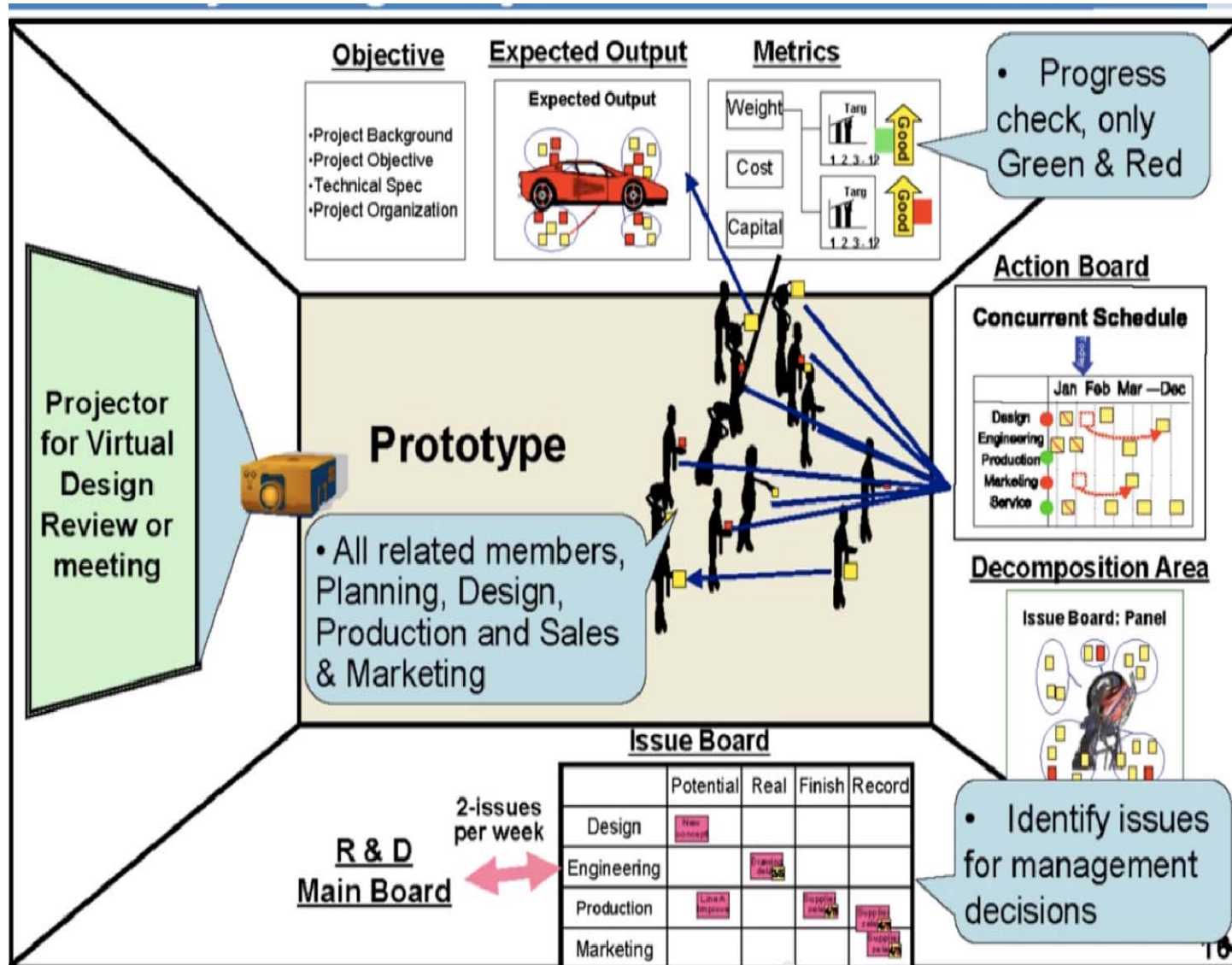
# Toyota Production System

- ▶ Processes and standard work practice
  - ▶ Stopping production because of a defect is called *jidoka*
  - ▶ Dual focus
    - ▶ Education and training of employees
    - ▶ Responsiveness of the system to problems
  - ▶ Result is continuous improvement

# Obeya (Extra)

- ▶ During the product and process development, all individuals involved in managerial planning meet in a “Big Room” to speed communication and decision-making. This is intended to reduce "departmental thinking" and improve on methods like email and social networking. The Obeya can be understood as a team spirit improvement tool at an administrative level.
- ▶ An Obeya will contain visually engaging charts and graphs depicting such information as program timing, milestones and progress-to-date and countermeasures to existing technical or scheduling issues.
- ▶ At [Toyota](#), vehicle development is possible in significantly less than 20 months; by comparison, the average for other car makers is 36 months.

# Obeya (Extra)



# Lean Organizations

- ▶ Understanding the customer and their expectations
- ▶ Functional areas communicate and collaborate to make sure customer expectations are met
- ▶ Implement the tools of Lean throughout the organization

# Building a Lean Organization

- ▶ Transitioning to a Lean system can be difficult
- ▶ Build a culture of continual improvement
- ▶ Open communication
- ▶ Demonstrated respect for people
- ▶ **Gemba walks** to see work being performed

# Building a Lean Organization

- ▶ Lean systems tend to have the following attributes
  - ▶ *Respect and develop employees*
  - ▶ *Empower employees*
  - ▶ *Develop worker flexibility*
  - ▶ *Develop collaborative partnerships with suppliers*
  - ▶ *Eliminate waste by performing only value-added activities*

# Lean in Services

- ▶ The Lean techniques used in manufacturing are used in services
  - ▶ Suppliers
  - ▶ Layouts
  - ▶ Inventory
  - ▶ Scheduling

