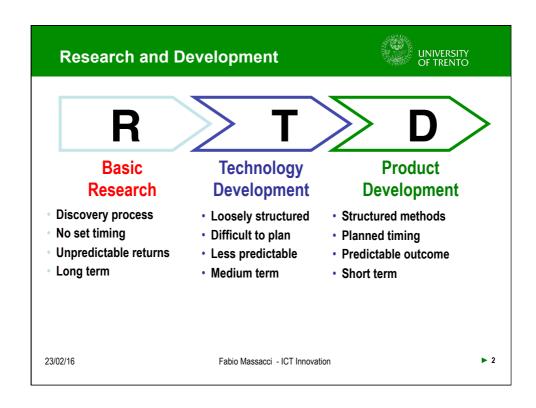
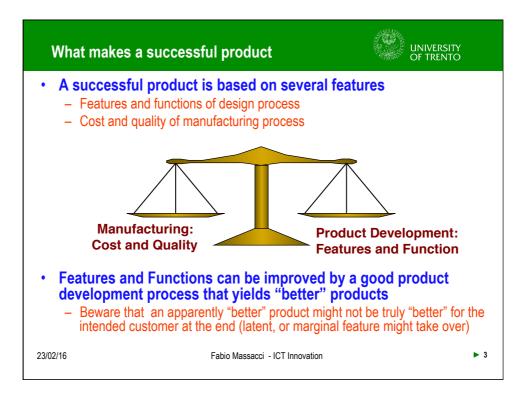


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Example "Marginal feature"



- SMS intended life
 - Designed to push configuration information to GSM Phone or pull information from the Network
 - "INFO GPRS" returns the remaining network traffic
 - "SET APN ibox.mycompany.com"
 - 256 characters more than enough for this purpose
- SMS actual life
 - Used by phone users to send brief messages
 - A large source of revenues for the telecom operator
- MMS follow-up
 - Sending much richer data (photo, video, audio)
 - Why it never took over?

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Why Italians were so fond of SMS?



- Omnitel
 - In 1998 ha 6.1M customers
 - My birthday present for my wife at 30 was one of them (and she used a lot of SMS)
- Sociological explanation? (given in class)
 - Can'r eally talk on the phone, calling someone it is hard for some people to talk
 - takes more time writing messages is fast
 - It was new
 - There was internet messages but there was not really internet penetration in italy
 - It was cheaper than calling
 - Asynchronous communication
 - If what you need to say can fit in to 256 charcthers there is no need to talk
 - When you want to meet somewhere the sms can be stored and checked later

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Price a family conversation



- 2000 Fabio and Beatrice have a baby
 - The kindergarden closes at 16:00
 - Wed 15:15 Beatrice has an important meeting
 - Thu 19:15 Beatrice is hungry
- "Timing exercise" in Class
- Acceptable prices for this family conversation
 - 15:15 12 seconds -
 - Value given in class 0.2€ (15) 0.1€ (4) "but could also be" 1€ (4)
 - -19:15-13 seconds
 - Value given in class 0.2€, 0.1€

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 - Digital natives bla bla, immediate communication but shy of human contacts bla bla, blu blu... can ramble for 50+ slides...
- Omintel Tariffs in 1999
 - From "La Repubblica" 29/January/1999
 - Peak times (8-16): 0.51€/minute (before were 1€/minute)
 - Off peak (22-8): 0.101€/minute
 - SMS costs: 0.086/each
 - Talk 1 minute or 30 second, still pay 1 minute
- Vodafone (who bought Omnitel) 2015
 - Basic: 0.125€/Minute
 - Unlimited Minutes: 34€/Month (actually 4 weeks)
- · What does it mean?
 - My wife was a young professional, let's take a more middle class role

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Understanding the cost drivers...



- Family cost of "Sorry I'm late by 1h." "Ok, I'll pick the kid at school" in 1999
 - Talking: 0.5-1€ → SMS: 0.16€
- Starting salary of Italian High School Teacher with MSc Degree
 - 42 working weeks out of 52 (4 days a week), 20% taxes.
 - 1999: 10.253,22€
 - 2008-now: 20.973,22€ (plus few euros on performance)
- Calling for 10' a day, off-peak, for the year
 - 1999: teach for two weeks
 - now: 4 days
- Calling for 10' a day, normal hours, for the year
 - 1999: teach for two months just to pay the phone bill
 - now: 4 days
- So "minor" features take over...

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Back to Product Development Lifecycle



- Several roles required for the production of a product
 - General Management
 - Marketing
 - Engineering
 - Manufacturing
 - Quality Assurance
 - Purchasing
 - Customer Services
- They occurrs at most phases of the product development lifecycle

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Product Lifecycle from Tyco

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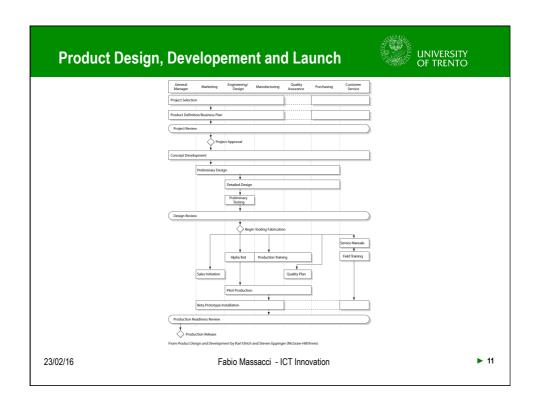
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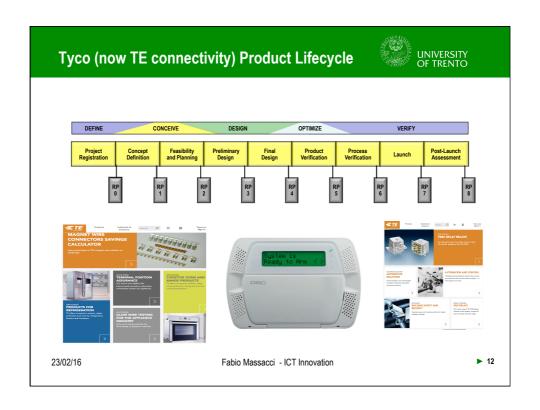
Key Goals

- 1. Define project and business unit needs
- 2. Develop project concept and charter
- 3. Create product description
- 4. Create preliminary detailed design
- 5. Detail and optimize design
- 6. Demonstrate product performance
- 7. Demonstrate process performance
- 8. Self-explanatory
- 9. Identify lessons learned

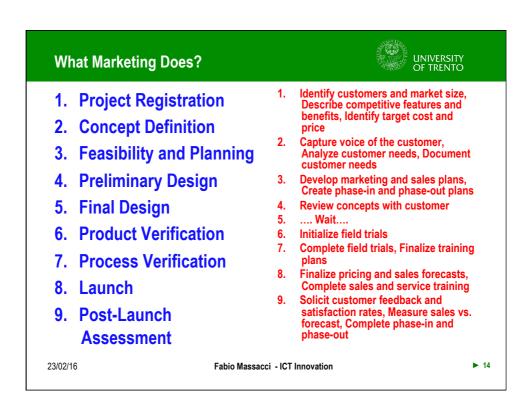
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Tyco's Process a bird's eye view						UNIVERSITY OF TRENTO		
Rally Point Phase	0. Project Registration	1. Concept Definition	2. Feasibility and Planning	3. Preliminary Design	4. Final Design	5. Product Verification	6. Process Verification	7. Launch
Marketing and Sales	XXX	XXX	XX	Χ		Χ	XX	XX
Engineering	Χ	XXX	XXXX	XXX	XXXX	XXX	Χ	Χ
Quality Assurance			Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	
Manufacturing			XX	XX	Χ	XX		
Purchasing			XX	Χ		Χ		
Legal		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		
Financial	Χ	Χ	Χ					
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What Engineering Does?



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- Create functional specification and performance metrics, Review concept selection, Define product architecture, Assess technical failures modes
- Conduct a preliminary design review, Build and test alpha prototypes, Assess product failure modes
- Freeze hardware and software design, Complete engineering documentation, Draft technical documentation, Secure beta prototypes
- Finalize design documentation, Complete beta prototype and field testing, Apply for regulatory approvals
- 7. Obtain regulatory approvals
- 8. Finalize product metrics

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Marketing vs Engineering

- 1. Identify customers and market size, Describe competitive features and benefits, Identify target cost and price
- 2. Capture voice of the customer, Analyze customer needs, Document customer needs
- 3. Develop marketing and sales plans, Create phase-in and phase-out plans
- 4. Review concepts with customer
- 5. ...
- 6. Initialize field trials
- 7. Complete field trials, Finalize training plans
- 8. Finalize pricing and sales forecasts, Complete sales and service training
- 9. Solicit customer feedback and satisfaction rates, Measure sales vs. forecast, Complete phase-in/out

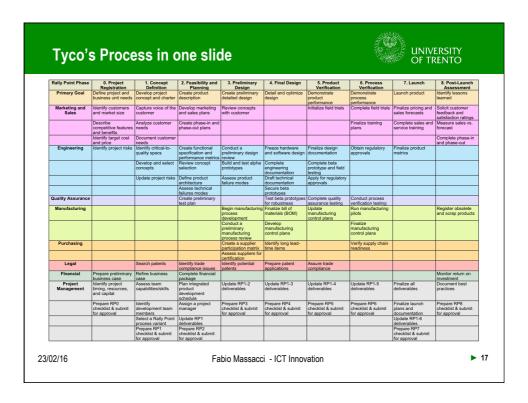
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Is this always true?



- Does engineering activity stops with product launch?
- What happens after launch?
 - Producs can break and needs to be serviced
 - Can argue it is a different function but not always true
- Depends on Industry
 - For consumer electronics not really a problem, if it is broken, we essentially replace parts (=re-manufacture a new one)
 - For other industries not so obvious: can't send an X-Ray room or a 50meters tall wind turbine controller to maintenance service in a box
- If product cannot be "replaced" but must be "serviced", then risk of fragility and cost of maintenance must be factored in the product
 - Ex-ante (make sure it i serviceable) or ex-post (ask customer to pay hefty maintenance fee) or right licensing (no responsibility)

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Yeah but maintenance doesn't apply to us



- For software we don't need "servicing": just update to the new version
- Myth driven by browsers or mobile apps
 - software given to you in change of your personal data
 - without any service level agreement and
 - certainty that updates will break your extensions
- "Normal" software is very, very, very different
 - Data is often mission critical and must be migrated
 - Software might be literally on the field in thousands of copies and not reachable
 - Eg car software. Need to recall the car...

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■ No. of Systems

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■ No. of Customers

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What if the product is a dud?



- When would you like to discover it?
 - **Project Registration**
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 - Launch
 - 9. Post-Launch Assessment
- Movie Industry: Lone Ranger by Disney Co.
 - Production (2-7): \$225-250M
 - Launch (8): \$150M
 - Post Launch Assessment (9): \$160–190M Final Losses

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Ideal PD&D Process

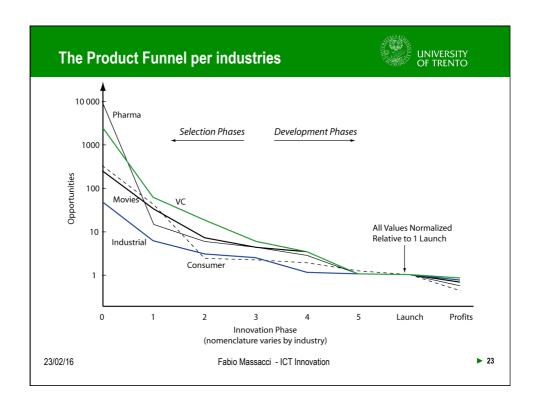


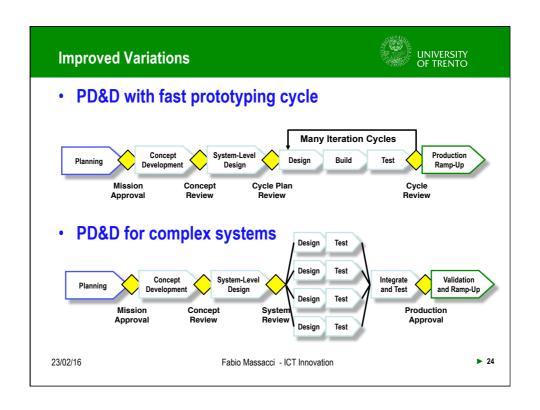
- Key Idea → Streamline and improve process trying to make (only) successful products emerge at the end
- **Eliminate**
 - Concepts that look unpromising (business-wise)
 - Concepts that are unwieldy to design
 - Systems that are complex or expensive to build (well as intended)
 - Systems that are difficult to operate (as intended)
- At all stages "value" based decision must be made based on
 - Highest paid individual's opinion or
 - Experiments to check whether intuition is correct → easy for ICT product
 - with 3D printing reasonably easy for small manufactured products

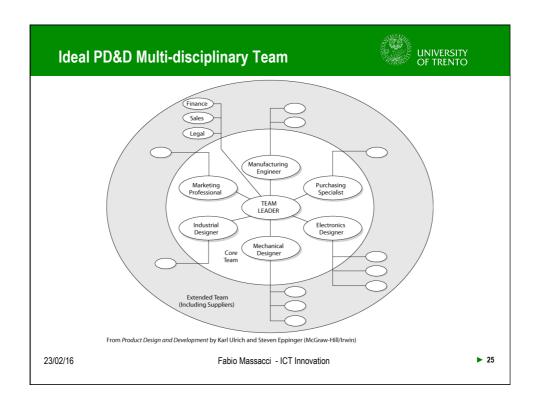


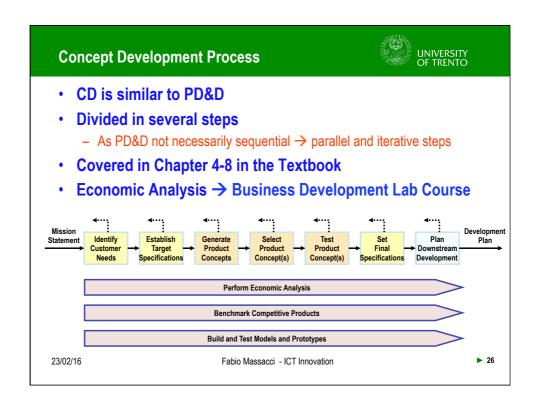
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Case Studies



- Winners and Losers
 - VHS vs Betamax
 - Phonogram vs Gramophone
 - Mac vs PC (but only for for Graphic Designers)
 - iPad vs Windows Tablet (Pen Tablet)
 - Qwerty vs Dvorak
 - 2+ Buttons Mouse vs 1 Button Mouse
- Each group will have to chose two case studies and present two slide per case study x next Friday
 - The TAs will not tell you whether you are right or wrong but will challenge your assumptions
- http://doodle.com/poll/zu6nefewesf3efz2

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VHS vs Betamax Sample Slides - I



- Common Characteristics
 - If any
- VHS Unique Characteristics
 - Key differentiating characteristics (Business, technical, usability, whatever)
 - Bla bla
- Betamax Unique Characteristics
 - Key differentiating characteristics (Business, technical, usability, whatever)
 - Bla bla

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VHS vs Betamax Sample Slide - II



- Why VHS Won?
 - The reasons for you
 - Bla Bla
 - Bla bla
 - Bla bla
- Evidence to back your claim
 - Links, whatever

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