Cost Management

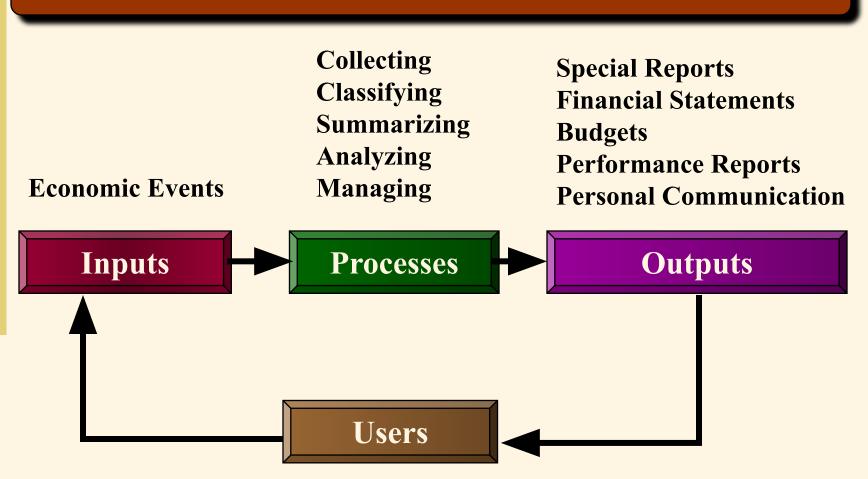
ACCOUNTING AND CONTROL

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Basic Cost Management Concepts



Operational Model for an Accounting Information System





Financial Accounting Information System

- Inputs: well-specified economic events
- Processes: rules and conventions established by the SEC and FASB
- Outputs: financial statements for external users

Cost Management Information System

- Inputs and processes: set by management; not bound by externally imposed criteria
- Outputs: reports for internal users



The cost management information system has three broad objectives that provide information for--

1) Costing out services, products, and other objects

of interest to management

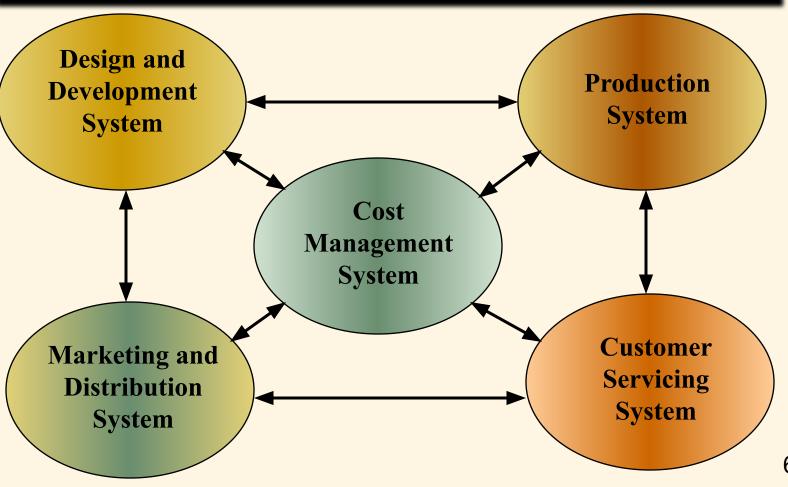
2) Planning and control

3) Decision making



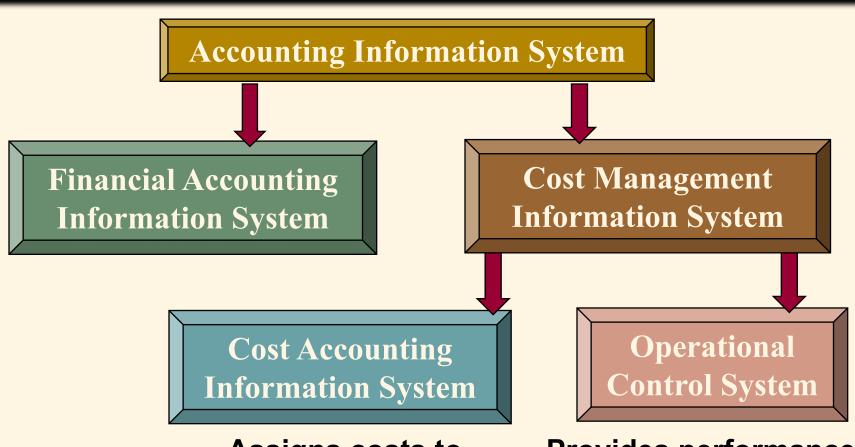


An Integrated Cost Management System





The Subsystems of the Accounting Information System



Assigns costs to products, services or objects

Provides performance feedback

Cost Assignment: Direct Tracing, Driver Tracing and Allocation



- A cost object is any item, such as products, customers, departments, projects, activities, and so on, for which costs are measured and assigned.
 - Example: A bicycle is a cost object when you are determining the cost to produce a bicycle.
- An activity is a basic unit of work performed within an organization.
 - Example: Setting up equipment, moving materials, maintaining equipment, designing products, etc.

Cost Assignment: Direct Tracing, Driver Tracing and Allocation



Traceability means that costs can be assigned easily and accurately, using a causal relationship.

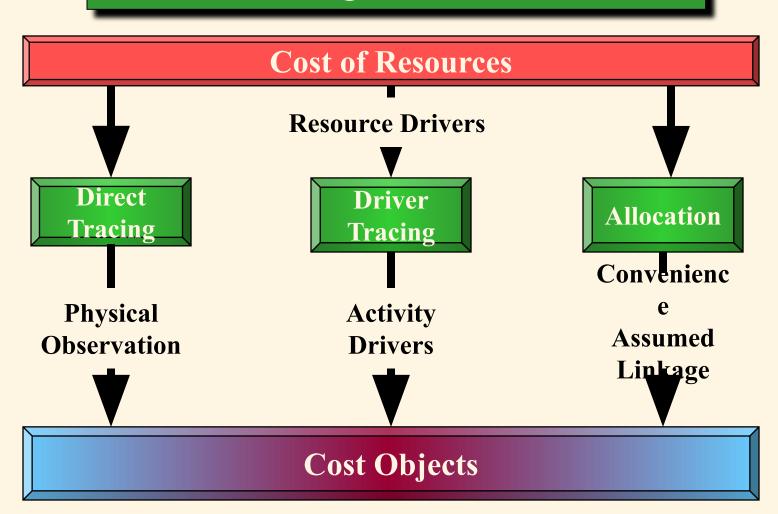
Methods of tracing:

- 1. **Direct tracing**: relies on physical observance of causal relationships to assign costs to cost objects.
- 2. **Driver tracing**: relies on drivers as causal factors to assign costs to cost objects.

Cost Assignment: Direct Tracing, Driver Tracing and Allocation



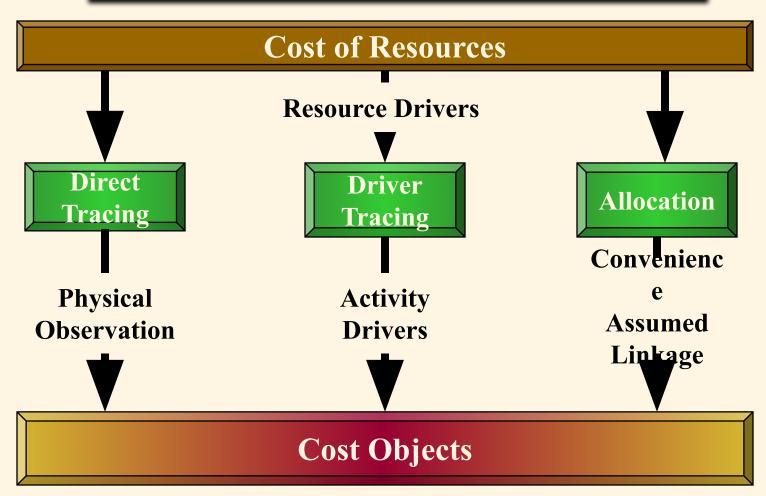
Cost Assignment Methods



Cost Assignment: Direct Tracing, Driver Tracing and Allocation









Examples of Product Cost Definitions

Value-Chain Product Costs

Operating Product
Costs

Traditional Product
Costs

Research and Development

Production

Marketing

Customer

Service

Pricing Decisions
Product Mix Decisions
Strategic Profitability
Analysis

Production

Marketing

Customer

Service

Strategic Design
Decisions
Tactical Profitability
Analysis

Production

External Financial Reporting



Manufacturing Costs (Production Costs)

- Direct materials are those materials that are directly traceable to the goods or services being produced.
 - Example: The cost of wood in furniture.
- Direct labor is the labor that is directly traceable to the goods or services being produced.
 - Example: Wages of assembly-line workers.
- Overhead are all other manufacturing costs.
 - Example: Plant depreciation, utilities, property taxes, indirect materials, indirect labor, etc.



Manufacturing costs are assigned to products and carried in inventories until the products are sold.



Nonmanufacturing Costs (Nonproduction Costs)

- Marketing (selling) costs are the costs necessary to market, distribute, and service a product or service.
 - Example: Advertising, storage costs, and freight out.
- Administrative costs are the costs associated with research, development, and general administration of the organization that cannot reasonably be assigned to either marketing or production.
 - Example: Legal fees, salary of the chief executive officer.



For external financial reporting, marketing and administrative costs are not inventoried. They are are expensed in the period incurred and referred to as **period** costs.





Production and Nonproduction Costs





Direct Labor

Overhead

Prime Cost

Conversion Cost Nonproduction or Operating Costs

Marketing Expense
Order-Getting Costs
Order-Filling Costs

Administrative Expense



Manufacturing Organization Income Statement For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

Sales

Less: Cost of goods sold

Gross margin

Less operating expenses:

Selling expenses

Administrative expenses

Operating income

\$ 300,000

150,000

\$ 2,000,000

\$ 000

From the Cost of Goods Sold Schedule



Statement of Cost of Goods Manufactured For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

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Direct	material	S:

Direct materials:			
Beginning inventory	\$ 200,000		
Add: Purchases	_450,000		
Materials available	\$ 650,000		
Less: Ending inventory	50,000		
Direct materials used in production			600,000
Direct labor			350,000
Manufacturing overhead			
Indirect labor	\$ 122,500		
Depreciation on buildin	g 177,500		
Rental of equipment	50,000		
Utilities	37,500		
Property taxes	12,500		
Maintenance _	50,000		450,000

Total manufacturing cos

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\$ 1,400,00019



Total manufacturing costs added

Add: Beginning work in process

Less: Ending work in p

Cost of goods manufact

\$ 1,400,000

200,000

400,000

\$ 1,200,00

Work in process consists of all partially completed units found in production at a given point in time.



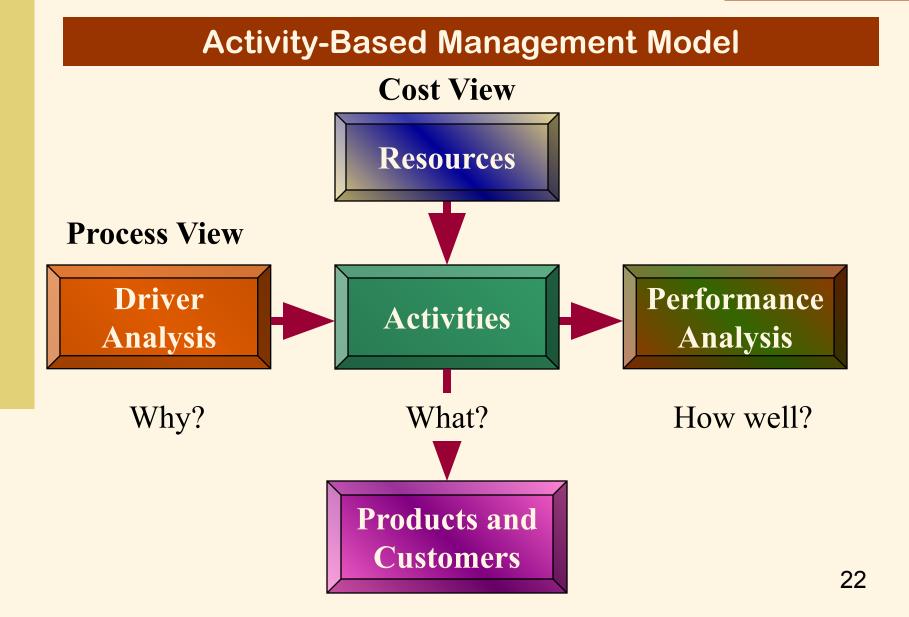
Cost of Goods Sold Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

Cost of goods manufactured		\$ 1,200,000	
Add: Beginr	ning ip v finisl	ned goods	250,000
Cost of good	ls avail for sale		\$ 1,450,000
Less: Ending		goods	150,000
Cost of good	Statement of		<u>\$ 1,300,000</u>
	Cost of Goods		, ,

Manufactured

Functional-Based and Activity-Based Cost Management Systems





Functional-Based and Activity-Based Cost Management Systems



Functional-Based

- 1. Unit-based drivers
- 2. Allocation-intensive
- 3. Narrow and rigid product costing
- 4. Focus on managing costs
- 5. Sparse activity information
- 6. Maximization of individual unit performance
- 7. Uses financial measures of performance

Functional-Based and Activity-Based Cost Management Systems



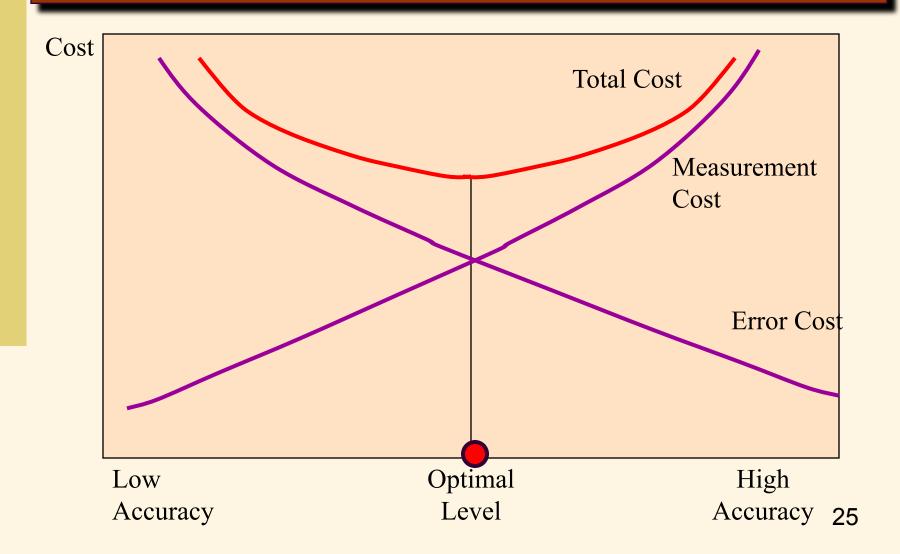
Activity-Based

- 1. Unit- and nonunit-based drivers
- 2. Tracing intensive
- 3. Broad, flexible product costing
- 4. Focus on managing activities
- 5. Detailed activity information
- 6. Systemwide performance maximization
- 7. Uses both financial and nonfinancial measures of performance

Functional-Based and Activity-Based Cost Management Systems



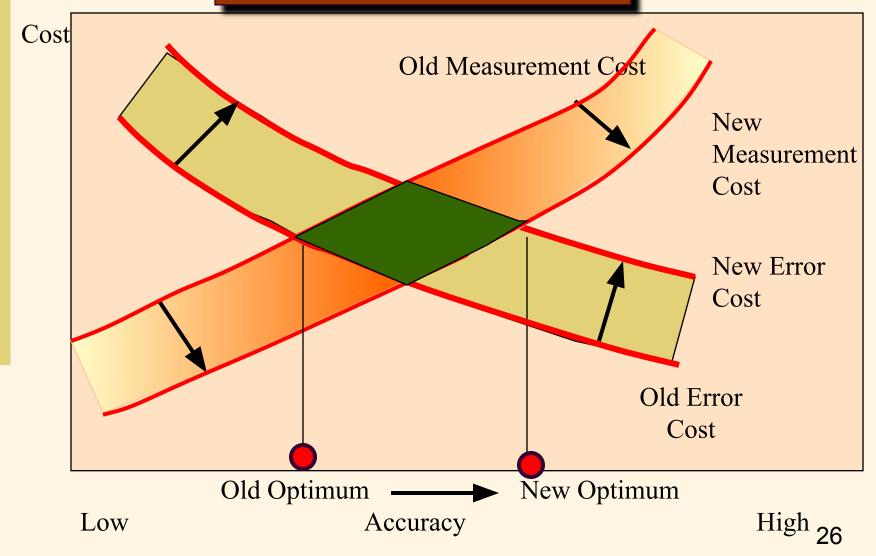
Trade-Off Between Measurement and Error Costs



Functional-Based and Activity-Based Cost Management Systems







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