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## A practical example of the Theory Of Constraints

### THE P&Q PROBLEM, Part 5

#### Step 2: Exploit your constraints, i.e. exploit mach. B

Calculate the profit margin per minute on the capacity constraint.

Product P	Product Q
Margin: \$ 45,-/unit	Margin: \$ 60,-/unit
Minutes on B: 15 min./unit	Minutes on B: 30 min./unit
Margin per min. B = \$ 3,-	Margin per min. B = \$ 2,-

So, the constraint is best exploited by selling product P first, which has the greatest margin per minute on the constraint: so the schedule (decision) will be: P, Q.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 P: 100 \times \$ 45,- = \$ 4.500,- \quad (1500 \text{ min. mach. B}) \\
 Q: 30 \times \$ 60,- = \underline{\$ 1.800,-} \quad (900 \text{ min. mach. B}) \\
 \qquad \qquad \qquad \$ 6.300,- \\
 \quad -/ \text{ OE} \quad \underline{\$ 6.000,-} \\
 \qquad \qquad \qquad + \$ 300,- \quad (\text{maximum possible profit per week}).
 \end{array}$$

**Machine B is the internal capacity constraint,**

**but .....**

**there is also a market constraint: demand for P is only 100 units.**

**Step 3: Subordinate everything to the decision you have taken.**

Utilization of the machines

What is the utilisation of e.g. machine A?

P: 100 units:  $100 \times 15 = 500$  min. mach. A

Q: 30 units:  $30 \times 10 = \underline{300}$  min. mach. A  
1800 min. mach. A

Available: 2400 min.

Efficiency:  $1800/2400 \times 100\% = 75\%$ . That is not too good; old thinking!

The utilization of all machines in this schedule is:

	P	Q	Total	Utilization
A:	1500	+ 300	= 1800	(= 75%)
B:	1500	+ 900	= 2400	(=100%)
C:	1500	+ 150	= 1650	(= 69%)
D:	1000	+ 150	= <u>1150</u>	(= 48%)
		Total	7000	= <u>73%</u>

Are these measurements or calculations relevant?

**No**, don't worry about efficiency measurements of individual non-bottleneck work stations; stop sub-optimisation.

This is meant by the third step of TOC:

**Consider next situation (part of exploiting the constraint)..**

Engineering change proposal:

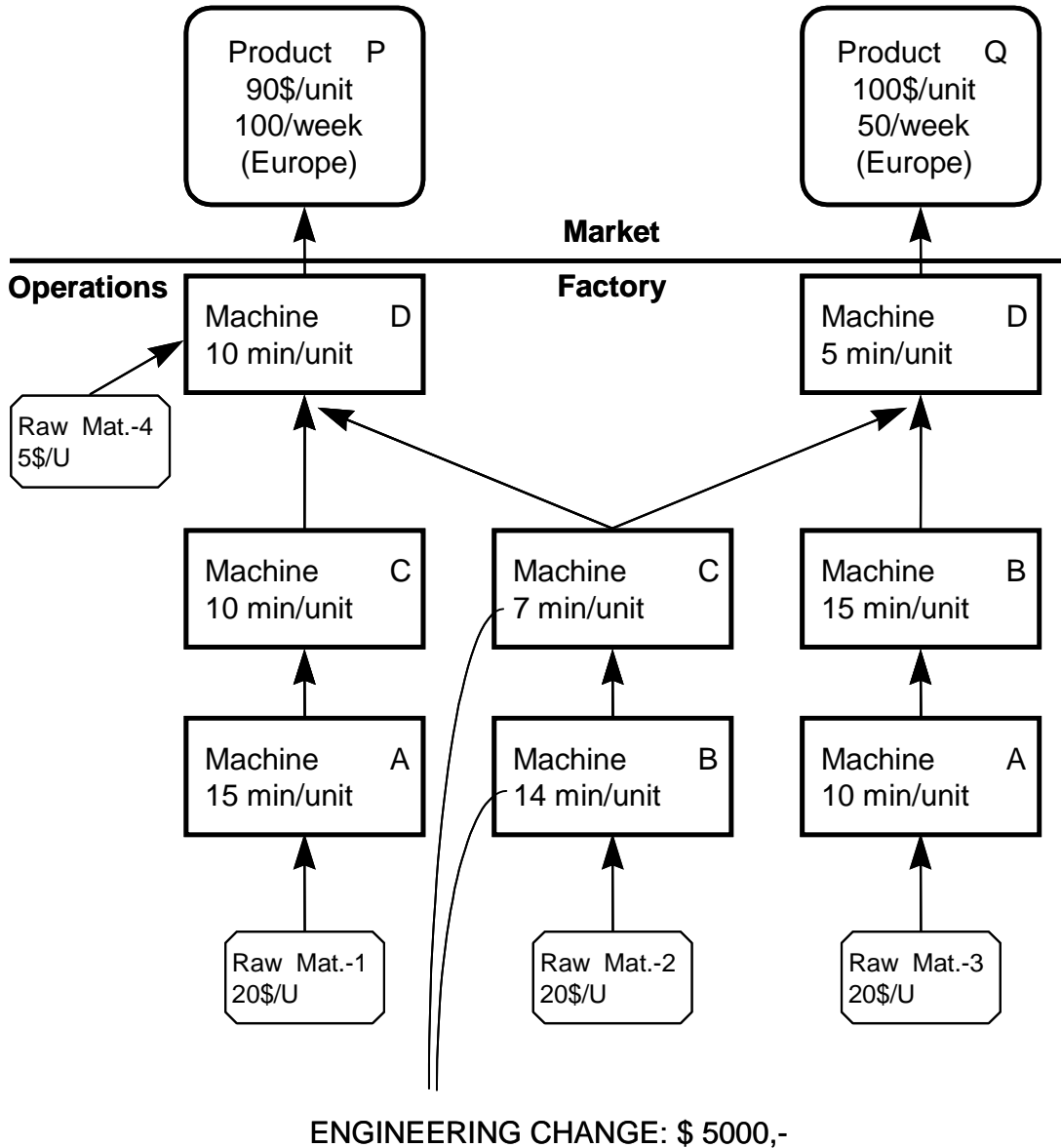
It will take an investment of \$ 5000.- to modify machines B and C, just for raw material-2, in such a way that it takes 14 minutes on machine B and 7 minutes on machine C to be processed.

So, we have a new situation.

## THEORY OF CONSTRAINTS (example)

### Question 4:

- Is the decision to implement the engineering change right?
- If so, what is the pay-out time (POT)?



- Day shift, 8 hours per day, 5 days per week
- "Operating expenses": \$ 6000,- / week
- Available:
  - 1 machine A
  - 1 machine B
  - 1 machine C
  - 1 machine D.

**Stop here and calculate the POT, then continue to find out.**

## See the next WS Tip

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