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Part IV. Scalable Software Business Models 40. Scalable Software Business Models

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- 1) Different Driving Factors
- 2) Service-based Business Models
- 3) Product-Based B2B Models

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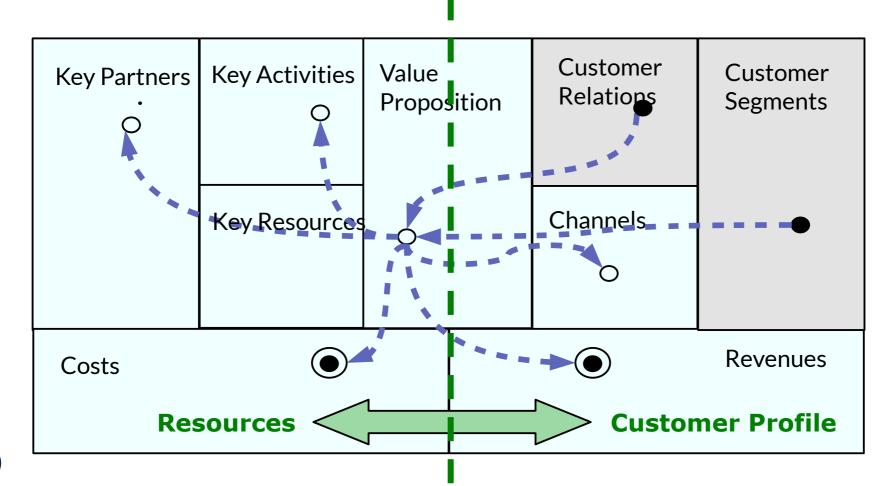
40.1 Different Factors Drive Business Models – How to Vary a Business Model Canvas

[BMG p 142]

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Customer-Varying Business Models for Services, Software Products and Product Lines

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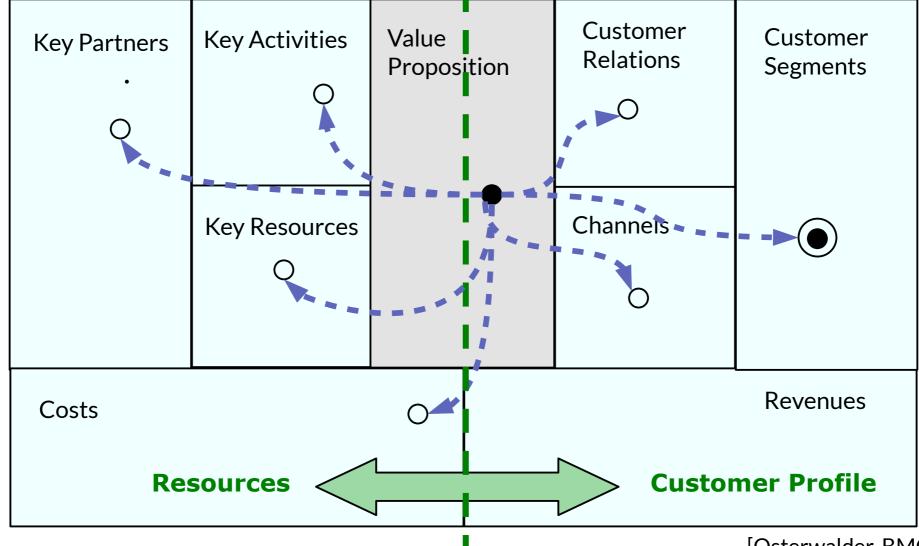
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Value-Driven Business Models

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 - From value proposition to resource and customer map
 - ▶ [iPod]



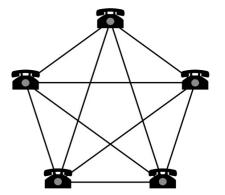


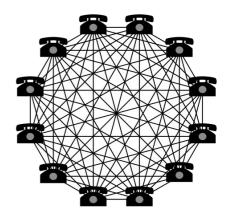
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Scaling in Value-Driven Networks (Internet Marketplaces, Social Platforms)

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 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Metcalfe%27s_law
 - If the value proposition affects the relation of the customers, n² business opportunities result
 - This is the business model of Facebook, Twitter, XING etc:
 - Create a network first, sell later

Business models based on Value-Driven Networks are among the best-scaling business models

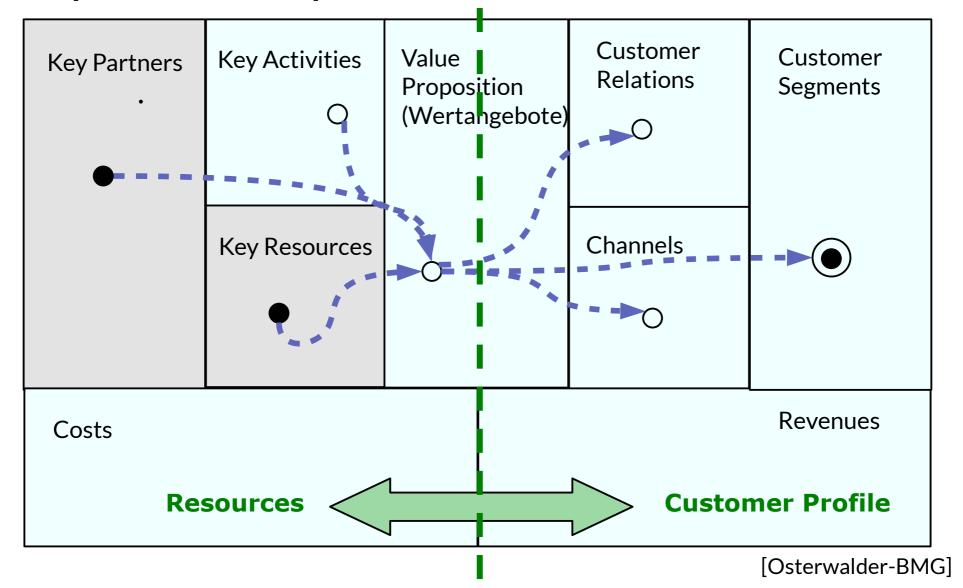






Resource-Driven Business Model

- From Resource map to customer map
- [Amazon Web Services]





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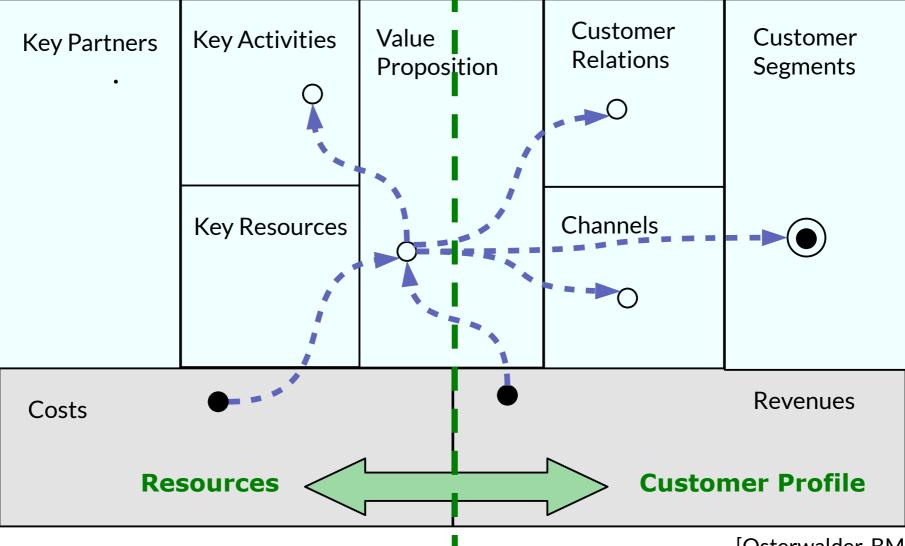
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Finance-Driven Business Models

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- From costs and revenues to value proposition and customers
- [Leasing Cars] [Placing ads]





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Open Source Software (OSS) Business Models

- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Open_source
- Free product ("free taste", "Versucherle", "Köder")
 - Give the product for free and sell services, consulting, or apps
 - Mould a market with the product
 - Ex. Adobe pdf with Acrobat Reader
- Free framework
 - Give the framework for free, create a community, and sell applications
 - Ex. IBM gives Eclipse for free, fosters a community, and many sell
- Release Politics
 - with union-fs (overlay); with browser; with portal
- Micropayment
 - Use micropayment companies for installation or run of a software (PayPal, ..)
 - Use Telecom billing
- Choose licences carefully
 - http://creative-commons.org
 - GPL is a virus that infects all extensions; LGPL not
 - FPI



Open Source Business Model "Free Taste" (duallicensing, fremium)

- Free "taster" versions
 - Give out earlier version of the product for free
 - Sell the new or premium version ("fremium")
- Examples
 - www.gentleware.com
 - NatSpec
- Free "community" versions
 - Give out a stripped version (e.g., only for 1 user, 1 database, ..)
 - Sell full version
- Free time-restricted versions
 - 1 month



Business Model "Versucherle"/"Köder": Plugins under Dual Licensing

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 - Fremium: [BMG] p. 108
 - Companies can make plugins for OSS tools under dual licensing
 - Thunderbird, Firefox, OpenOffice, Eclipse, ...
 - Example: Quicktext Thunderbird extension http://extensions.hesslow.se/
 - QuickText is free
 - QuickText Pro is commercial
 - Advantage: Platform has already many users and a large market



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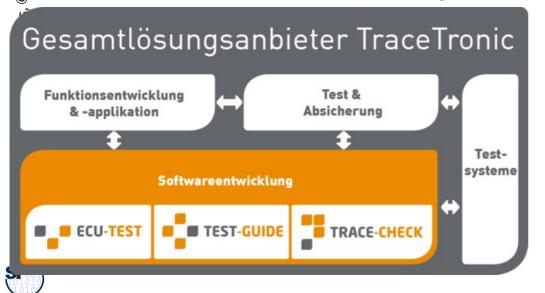


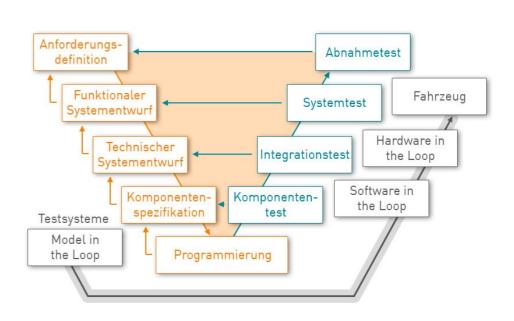
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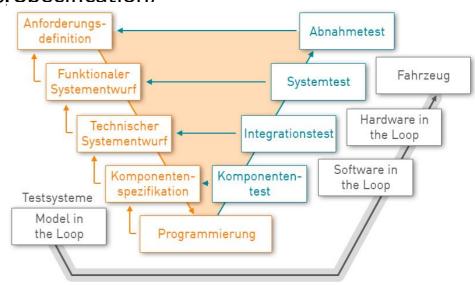




Business Model "Service Family along V-Model" Salt Solutions

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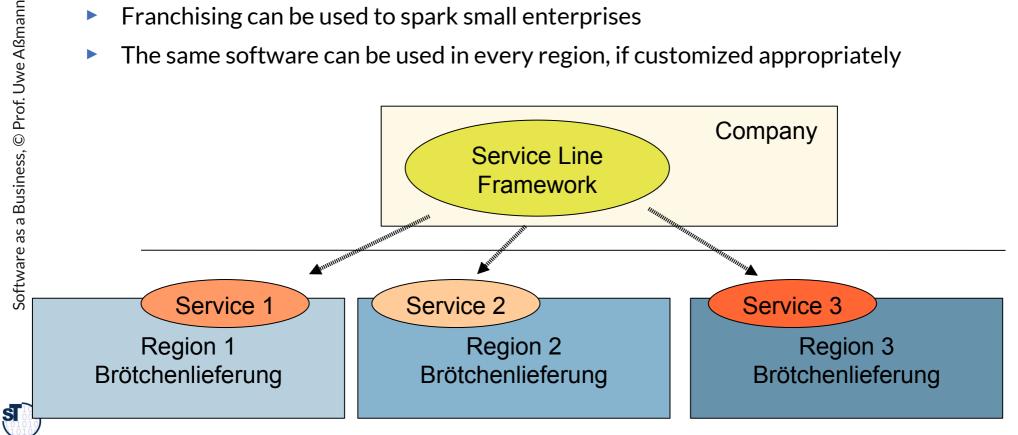
- For any software company, services can be structured along the typical tasks of the V-model
- https://www.salt-solutions.de/leistungen.html
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 - Requirements engineering
 - Testing
 - Certification
 - Consulting
 - Conception (Design, Processes, Specification)
 - Implementation
 - Support





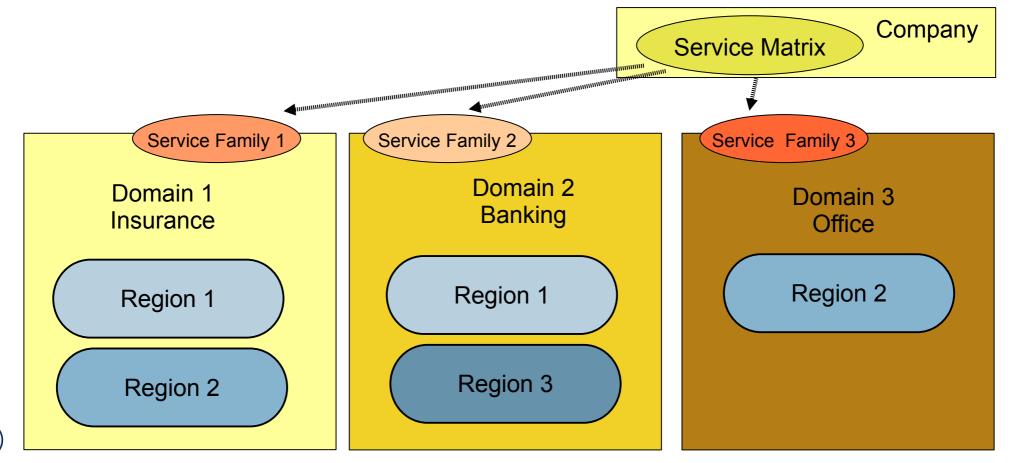
http://www.tracetronic.de/leistungen/

- One dimension to vary can be the region of sales
 - Develop a service in a region (regional business model, regional customer segments)
 - Replicate the service to other regions (regional porting)
- Example: www.Morgengold.de, www.it-sax.de (pludoni.de), www.lieferando.de
- Franchising can be used to spark small enterprises
- The same software can be used in every region, if customized appropriately



40.2.3. Business Model "Domain-Region Service Matrix"

- Develop a service in a two or three dimensions
 - Region
 - Business Domain
 - Technical Domain

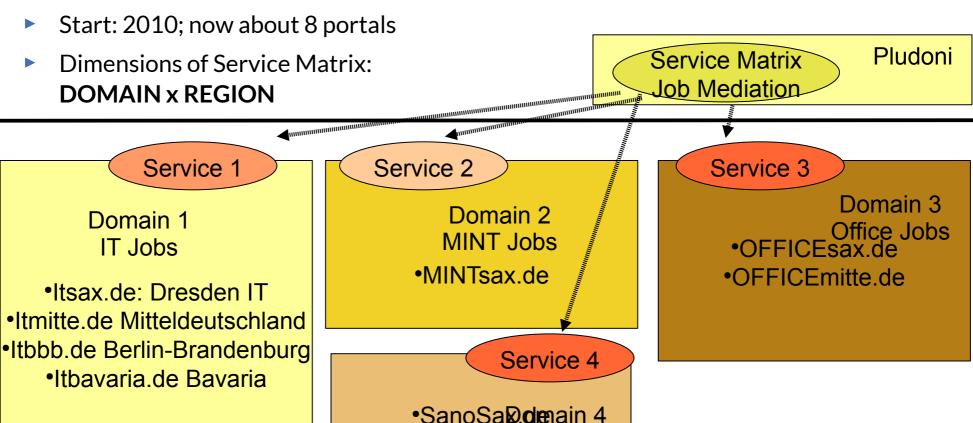




Pludoni's Business Model "Domain-Region Service Matrix" with "Smart Companies"

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- www.it-sax.de (www.pludoni.de): a portal for mediating (brokering) applications and job offers in a region (regional business model)
 - Trusted web community ("club of companies") with recommendations
- Founder Jörg Klukas ported it to many other regions and professional domains



Health Jobs

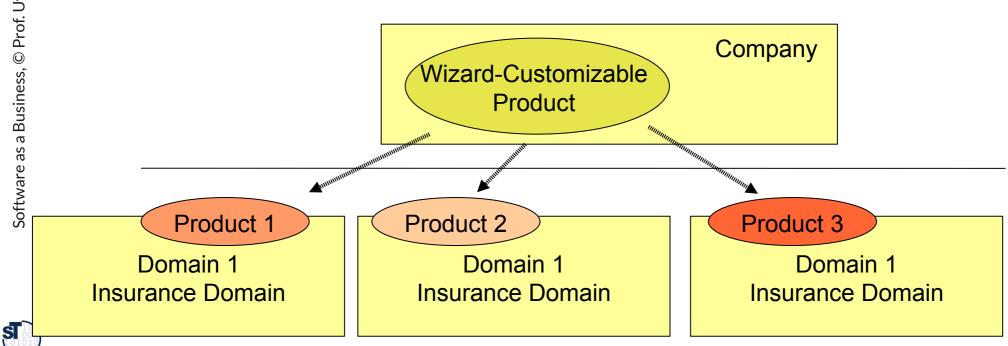




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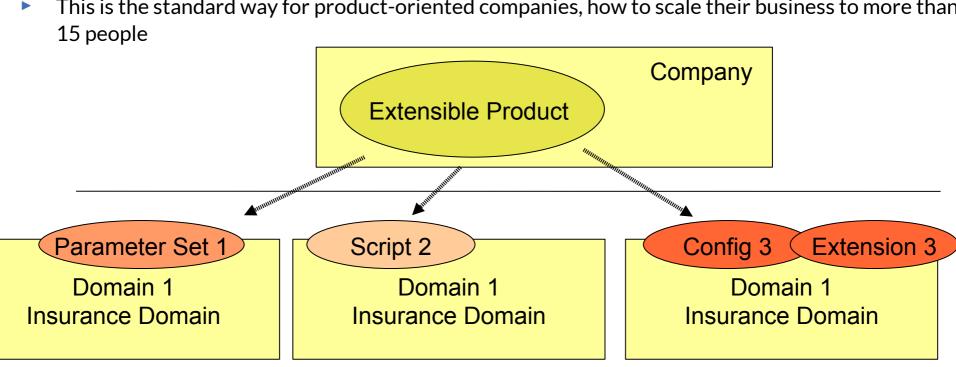
- Make the product **customizable (by end user)** [MassCustomization]
 - Customize by interactive Wizard simplifying the customization
 - Keep the product customization technique as company secret
- Intense interaction with customers required to ensure that the mass customization is simple enough



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- Design an extensible product in-house, parameterizable by experts
 - Parameterize by scripts in a scripting language, domain-specific language, or complex form mechanism (XML)
 - **Extend** by Plugin (Extension, Complement); Requires a component model
- Extension by product owner or third party (partner or supplier)
- Know how: instantiate new products with different extended functions (features)
 - Keep the product extension technique as company secret

This is the standard way for product-oriented companies, how to scale their business to more than



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Tracetronic ECU-Test, a Parameterizable Domain-Specific Product

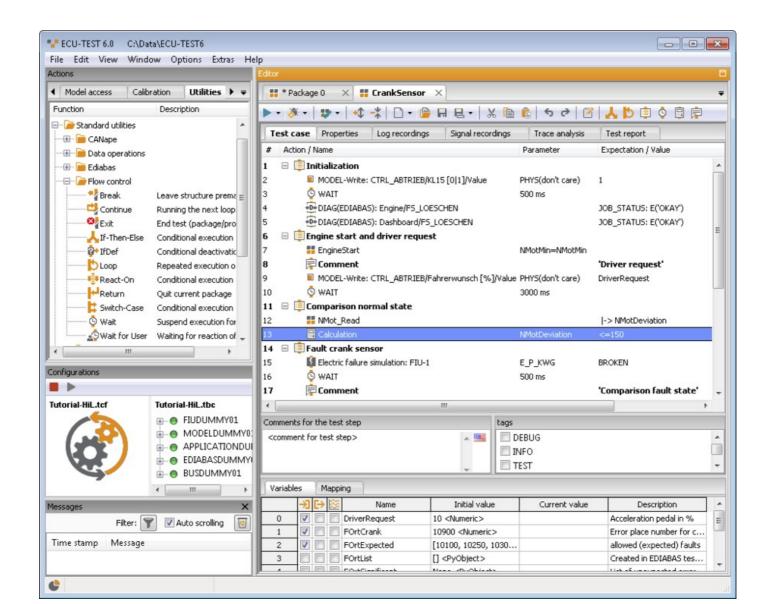
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- Gittersee, Dresden, Germany
- http://www.tracetronic.de/produkte/ecu-test/
- Motor testing software
 - Writing and composing test scripts for motor runs in simulators or cars
 - Test script libraries
- Model-in-the-loop (MIL), Hardware-in-the-loop (HIL), Software-in-the-loop (SIL)
- Adapters for other test tools
- Growth: 1->100 employees in 10 years

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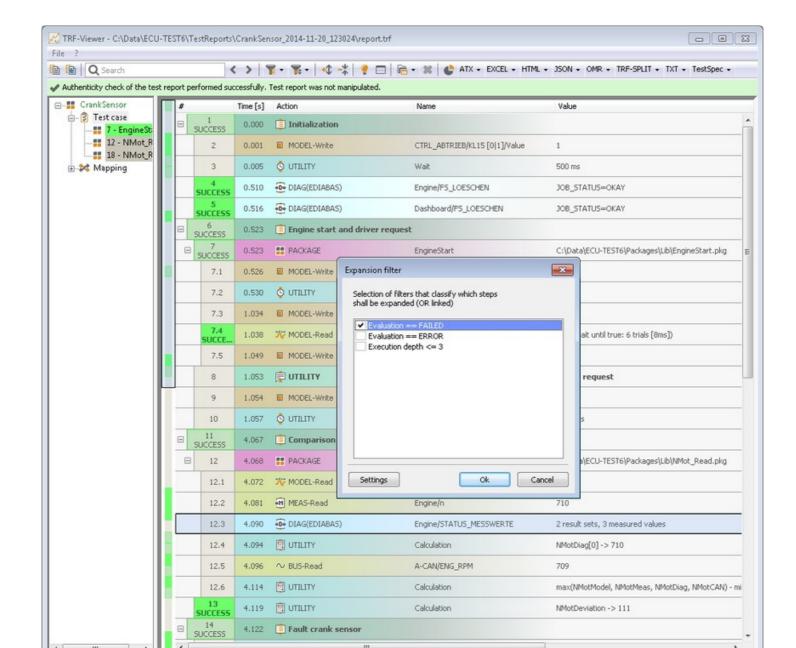


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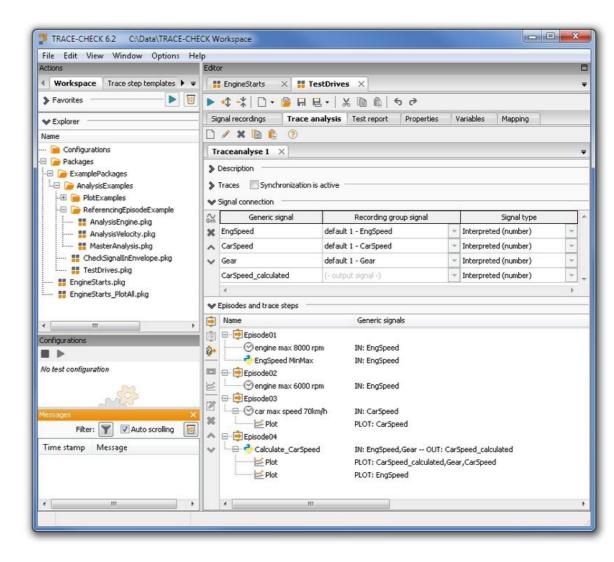
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Tracetronic 2nd Product: Trace-Check

- Monitoring and evaluating test traces with temporal logics (path expressions over time, see model-checking courses)
- Modular trace analysis
- Reporting
- Works with EXAM of VW
- https://www.exam-ta.de/





Tracetronic Customer Channels

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- http://www.tracetronic.de/cms/data/docs/pdf/Datenblatt_ECU-TEST.pdf
- Tracetronic is a domain-specific company (automotive domain)
 - supplier to big car OEM (such as BMW)
 - It collaborates with other suppliers, such as ETAS or Vector
 - Many adaptors to other tools

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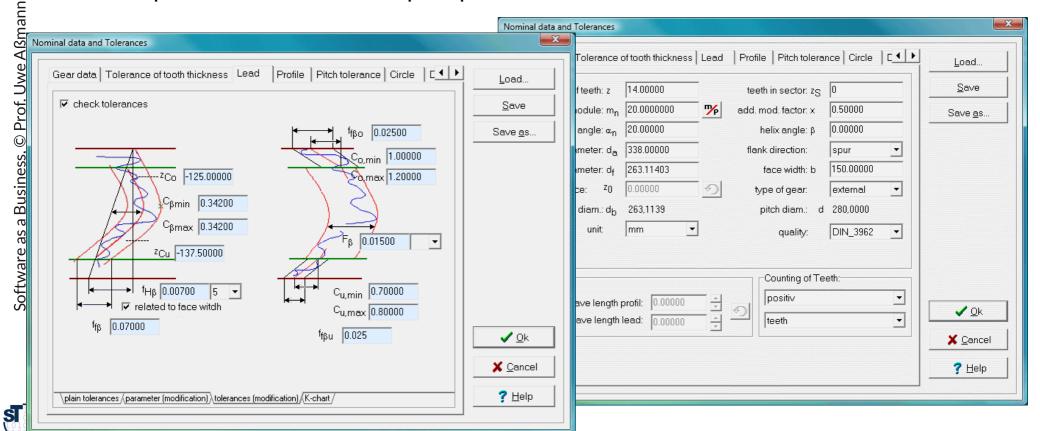


Carl Zeiss Innovationszentrum für Messtechnik Product: ZEISS Involute

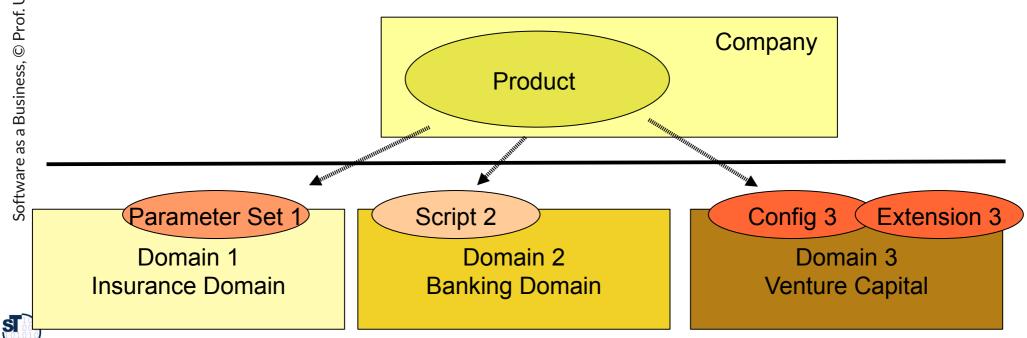
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- Dresden product for data analysis of gearwheels, e,g. wind power plant gearwheels
- First ZEISS software product, more than 100k customers worldwide
- http://www.zeiss.de/izm/involute.html
- Every year, ZEISS Dresden sponors the Diplompreis Informatik for the department:
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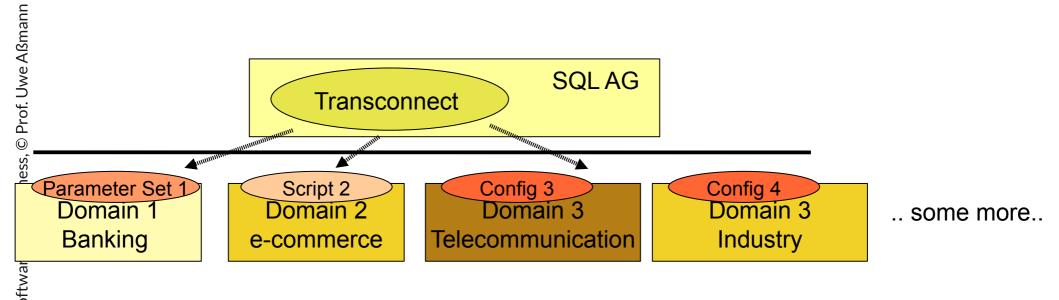
- Produce your product for several domains
- Make it parameterizable, customizable, extensible (by experts of different domains)
 - Offer a domain-unspecific scripting language
 - A technical component model
- Problems: hard to sell, because customers appear in different domains (no closed customer group
 - CRM is very important to memorize the details of the customer



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SQL AG Transconnect Integration Suite

- http://www.sql-ag.de/transconnect.html Dresden, Franklin-Strasse
- Non-domain-specific, technical product: can be applied in many domains
 - Does not imply a domain-specific customer binding
- Data connector (integrator) between systems; many adapters





The End

- Explain the business model "domain-region service matrix"
- Explain the steps how to arrive from a product to an extensible product
- Explain how the BMC and the LeanCanvas help to find customer segments for a product line
- Compare the concepts of a Product Line, Product Matrix, and a Product Cube
- Explain how the products of a product line can be assessed with the BMC assessment process





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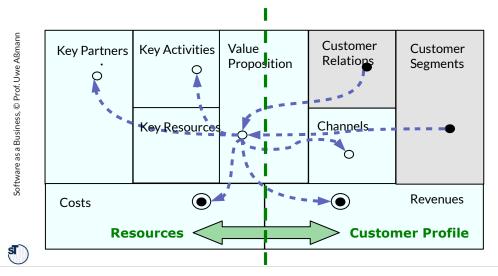
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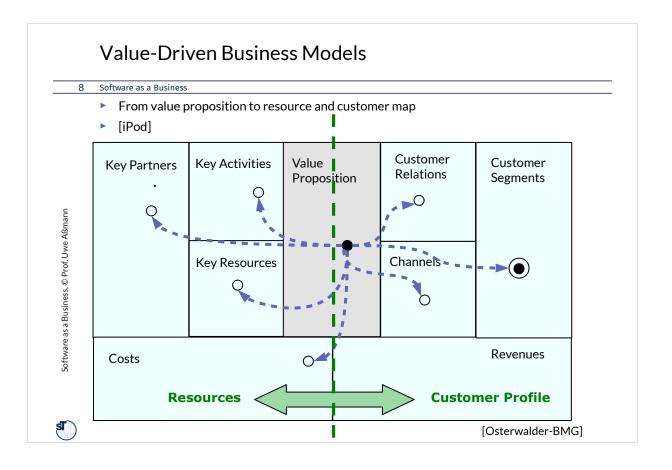
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Resource-Driven Business Model 10 Software as a Business From Resource map to customer map [Amazon Web Services] Value Proposition (Wertangebote) Customer Customer **Key Activities Key Partners** Relations Segments Software as a Business, © Prof. Uwe Aßmann **Key Resources** Channels_ Revenues Costs **Customer Profile Resources** [Osterwalder-BMG]

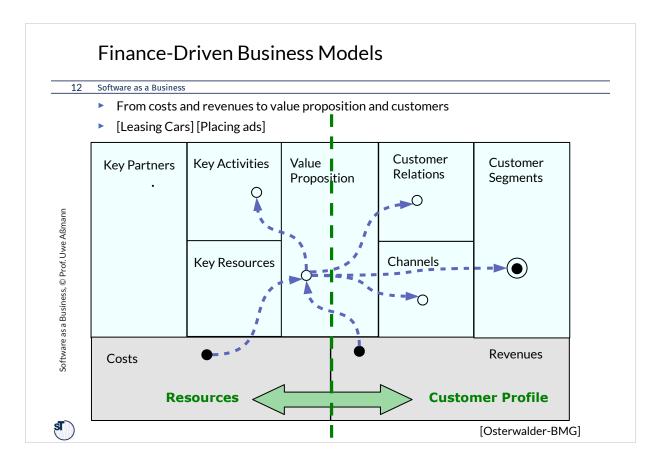
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Buy and install

Buy and use a cloud

Pay-per-use Rent

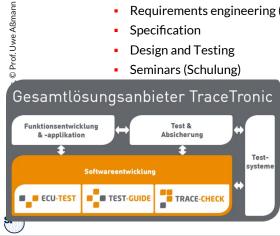


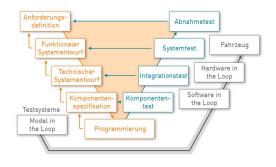
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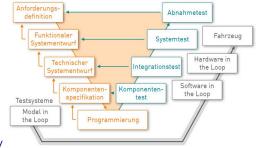




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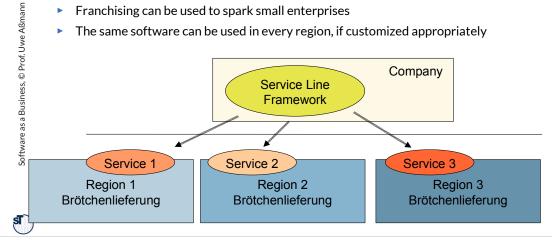
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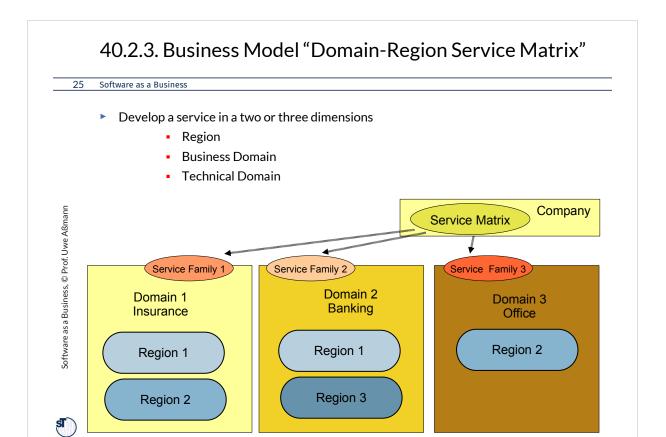
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40.2.2 Business Model "Regional Service Family"

- One dimension to vary can be the region of sales
 - Develop a service in a region (regional business model, regional customer segments)
 - Replicate the service to other regions (regional porting)
- $Example: www. Morgengold. de, www. it-sax. de \ (pludoni. de), www. liefer and o. de$
- Franchising can be used to spark small enterprises
- The same software can be used in every region, if customized appropriately

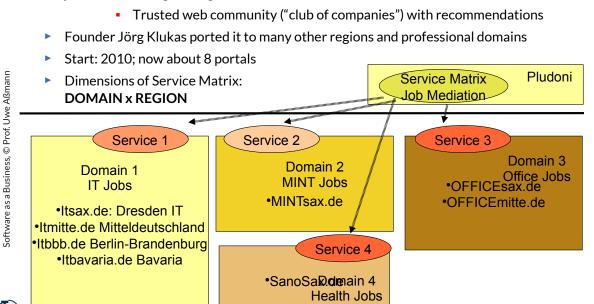




Pludoni's Business Model "Domain-Region Service

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www.it-sax.de (www.pludoni.de): a portal for mediating (brokering) applications and job offers in a region (regional business model)



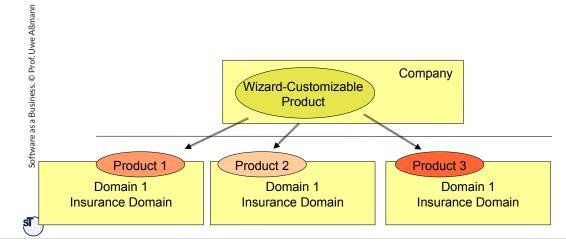


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40.3 Product-Based B2B Business Models

Business Model "Mass-Customizable Product"

- Make the product customizable (by end user) [MassCustomization]
 - Customize by interactive Wizard simplifying the customization
 - Keep the product customization technique as company secret
- Intense interaction with customers required to ensure that the mass customization is simple enough



Business Model "Parameterizable Software Product"

29 Software as a Business Design an extensible product in-house, parameterizable by experts Parameterize by scripts in a scripting language, domain-specific language, or complex form mechanism (XML) • Extend by Plugin (Extension, Complement); Requires a component model Extension by product owner or third party (partner or supplier) Know how: instantiate new products with different extended functions (features) Software as a Business, © Prof. Uwe Aßmann • Keep the product extension technique as company secret This is the standard way for product-oriented companies, how to scale their business to more than 15 people Company **Extensible Product** Script 2 Config 3 (Extension 3) Parameter Set 1 Domain 1 Domain 1 Domain 1 Insurance Domain **Insurance Domain Insurance Domain**

Tracetronic ECU-Test, a Parameterizable Domain-Specific Product

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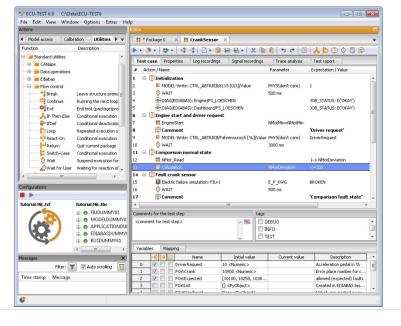
- Gittersee, Dresden, Germany
- http://www.tracetronic.de/produkte/ecu-test/
- Motor testing software
 - Writing and composing test scripts for motor runs in simulators or cars
 - Test script libraries
- Model-in-the-loop (MIL), Hardware-in-the-loop (HIL), Software-in-the-loop (SIL)
- Adapters for other test tools
- ► Growth: 1->100 employees in 10 years

Domain-specific products and product lines fill a domain-specific need (a need of a domain-specific customer segment)!

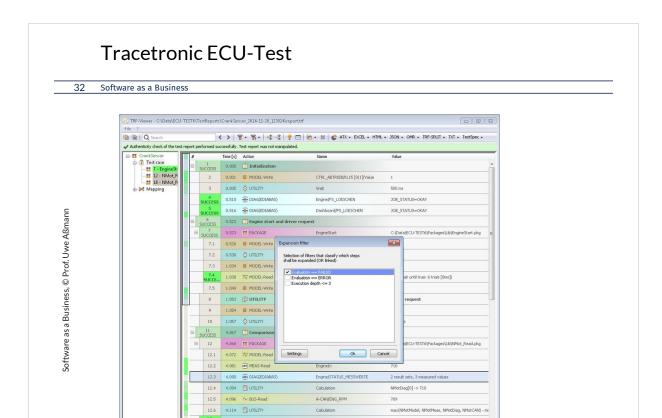


Tracetronic ECU-Test

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A-CAN/ENG_RPM Calculation

Calculation

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14 SUCCESS 4.122 Fault crank sensor

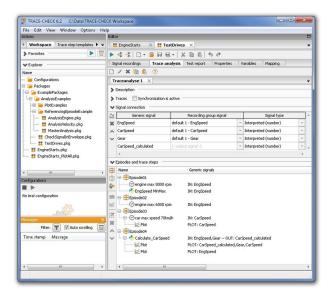
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Tracetronic 2nd Product: Trace-Check

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- Monitoring and evaluating test traces with temporal logics (path expressions over time, see model-checking courses)
- Modular trace analysis
- Reporting
- Works with EXAM of VW
- https://www.exam-ta.de/





Tracetronic Customer Channels

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- http://www.tracetronic.de/cms/data/docs/pdf/Datenblatt_ECU-TEST.pdf
- Tracetronic is a domain-specific company (automotive domain)
 - supplier to big car OEM (such as BMW)
 - It collaborates with other suppliers, such as ETAS or Vector
 - Many adaptors to other tools

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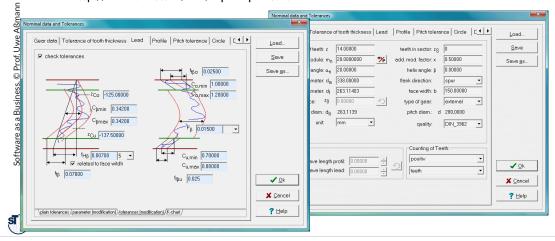


Carl Zeiss Innovationszentrum für Messtechnik Product: ZEISS Involute

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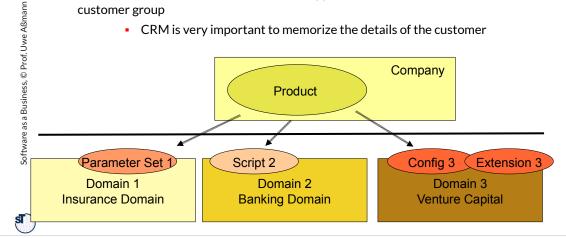
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- Dresden product for data analysis of gearwheels, e,g. wind power plant gearwheels
- First ZEISS software product, more than 100k customers worldwide
- http://www.zeiss.de/izm/involute.html
- Every year, ZEISS Dresden sponors the Diplompreis Informatik for the department:
- http://www.zeiss.de/izm/diplompreis.html



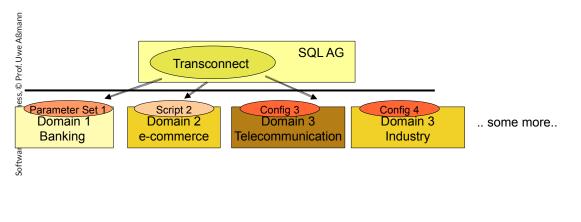
Business Model "Parameterizable Domain-Portable Technical Product"

- Produce your product for several domains
- Make it parameterizable, customizable, extensible (by experts of different domains)
 - Offer a domain-unspecific scripting language
 - A technical component model
- Problems: hard to sell, because customers appear in different domains (no closed customer group
 - CRM is very important to memorize the details of the customer



SQL AG Transconnect Integration Suite

- http://www.sql-ag.de/transconnect.html Dresden, Franklin-Strasse
- Non-domain-specific, technical product: can be applied in many domains
 - Does not imply a domain-specific customer binding
- Data connector (integrator) between systems; many adapters





The End

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- Explain the business model "domain-region service matrix"
- Explain the steps how to arrive from a product to an extensible product
- Explain how the BMC and the LeanCanvas help to find customer segments for a product line
- Compare the concepts of a Product Line, Product Matrix, and a Product Cube
- Explain how the products of a product line can be assessed with the BMC assessment process

