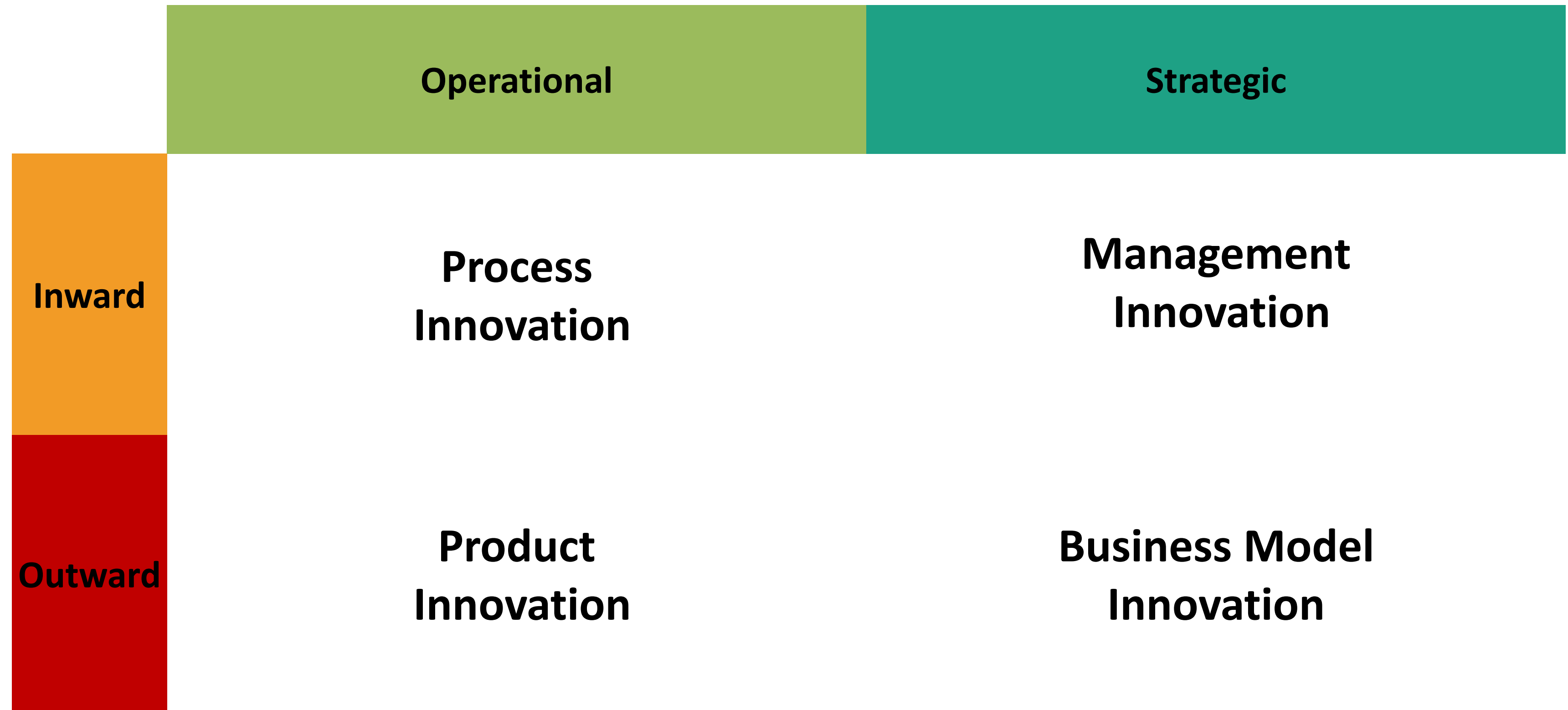


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Outward	<p>Product Innovation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Description: Enhancing existing products/services or developing new ones.- Purpose: Meet evolving customer needs, stay competitive, expand market share.- Examples:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Launching a new product line.• Adding features based on customer feedback.• Improving product design. <p>Your Company's Initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• [Insert here]• [Insert here]	<p>Business Model Innovation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Description: Changing how the company creates, delivers, and captures value.- Purpose: Adapt to market shifts, unlock new revenue streams, improve long-term profitability.- Examples:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Moving to a subscription model.• Implementing e-commerce channels.• Offering product-as-a-service. <p>Your Company's Initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• [Insert here]• [Insert here]

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How to Use This Template

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- 1. Identify Current Initiatives:** List your company's current initiatives or projects that fit the description under each innovation type.
- 2. Brainstorm New Ideas:** Use the template to brainstorm potential innovation opportunities in areas that may be underrepresented in your current strategy.
- 3. Customize Examples:** To make the matrix more relevant, replace the generic examples with those specific to your industry or company.
- 4. Assess Balance and Gaps:** Analyze the filled-out matrix to see if your innovation efforts are balanced across all four types or if gaps need attention.
- 5. Develop Action Plans:** For each innovation type, create action plans with objectives, timelines, and responsible teams to drive these initiatives forward.

Additional Tips

Proven Strategies to Align Innovation with Business Success



- 1. Engage Cross-Functional Teams:** When filling out the matrix, include team members from different departments or get diverse perspectives.
- 2. Set Metrics and KPIs:** Define how you will measure the success of each innovation initiative (e.g., cost savings, revenue growth, customer satisfaction).
- 3. Review Regularly:** Make the matrix a living document that you revisit periodically to update and adjust your innovation strategies.