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Part 1: Theoretical Considerations

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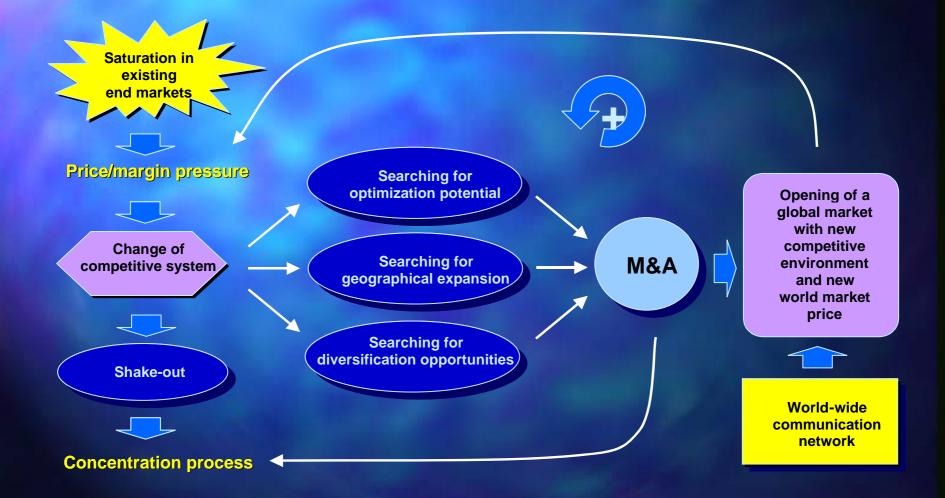
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The Phenomenon of Globalization

Main drivers



Deriving Typologies of Globalization Framework and determinants

Product Market characteristics structure Operating **Business** configuration type

Type of globalization

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Product characteristics:

In general:

determined by the value and uniqueness of product

competitive intensity given by the differentiation degree

For extrusions:

customer-designed semi-finished product

- virtually sold is the capacity
- the transaction object is a service

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Market structure:

In general:

•sets the competitive nature of the business

given by concentration curve of supply and demand

For extrusions:

fragmented (polypolistic) competition structure

- relative low entry barriers
- reproducible know-how
- limited geographic scope of action (soft alloys)

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Operating configuration:

In general:

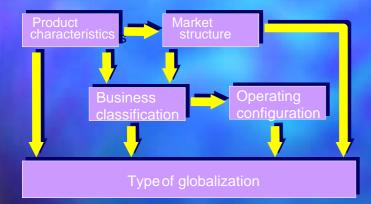
 depends on product characteristics (value, customization, durability)

determined by product-value/transport-cost ratio

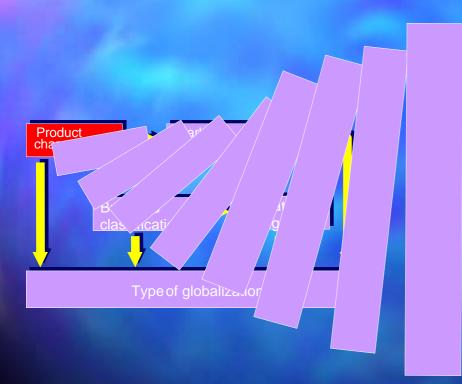
For extrusions:

 multiplant configuration with strategy of adding geographical market share - typical for a fragmented business Deriving Typologies of Globalization

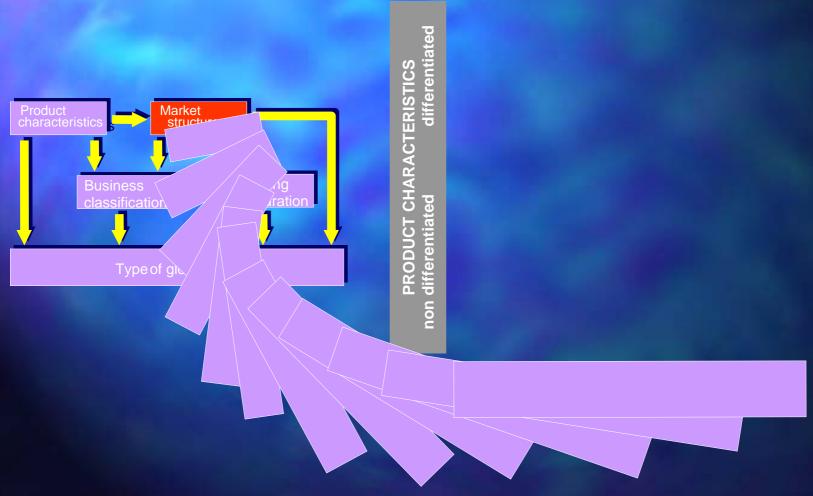
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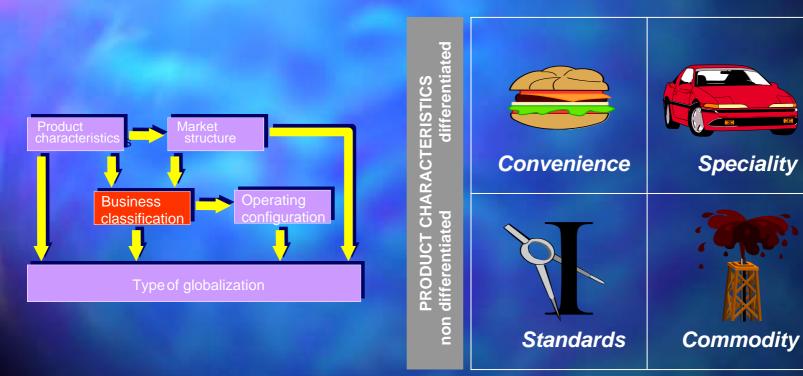


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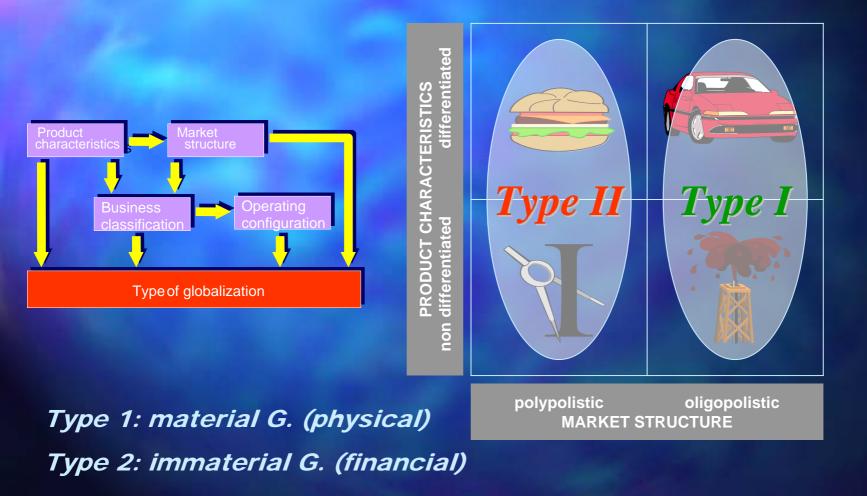
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polypolistic oligopolistic MARKET STRUCTURE

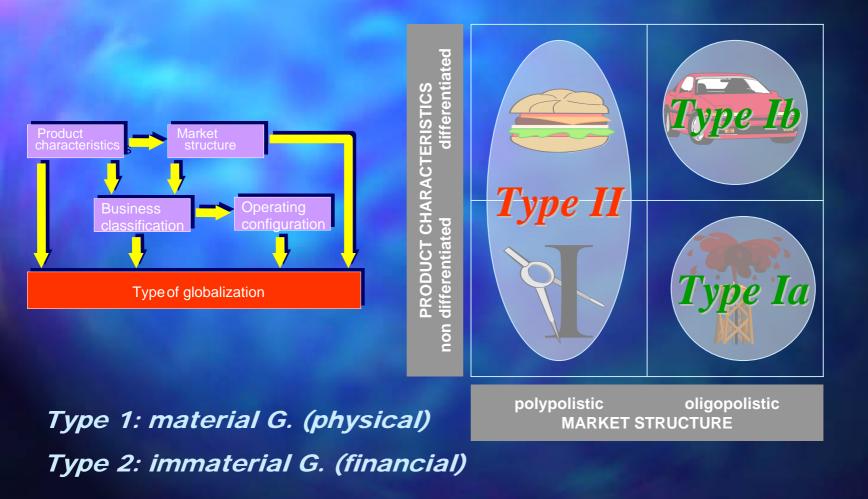
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2 main types



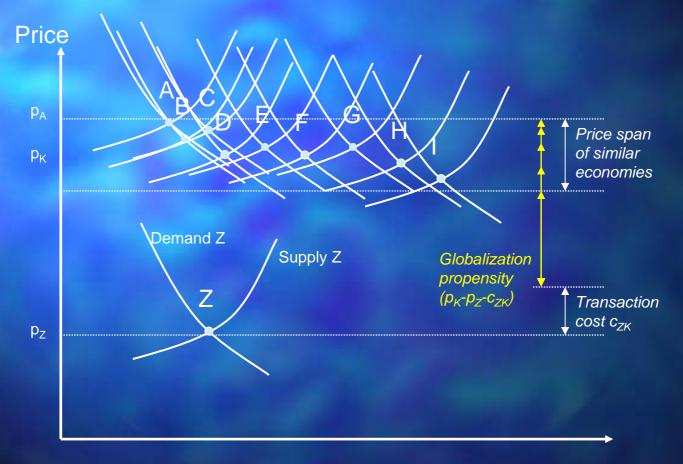
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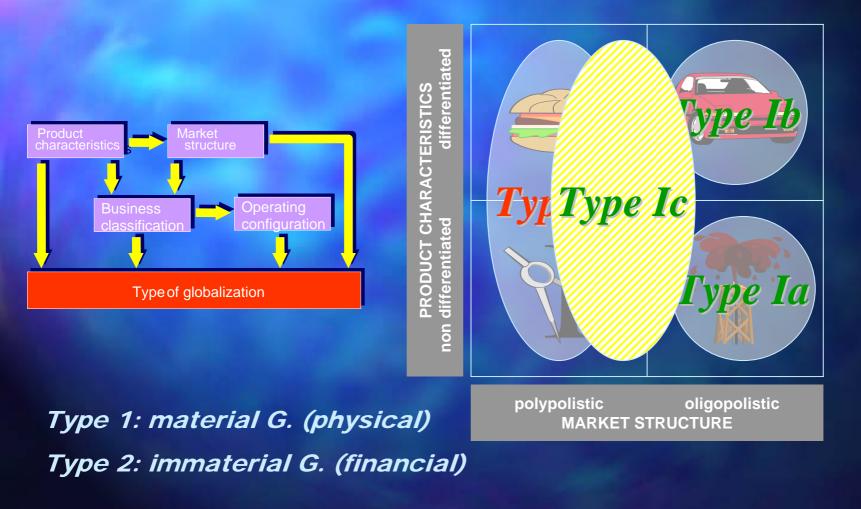
Quantitative Wodelling

Price discrepancy within different economies and corresponding propensity for globalization



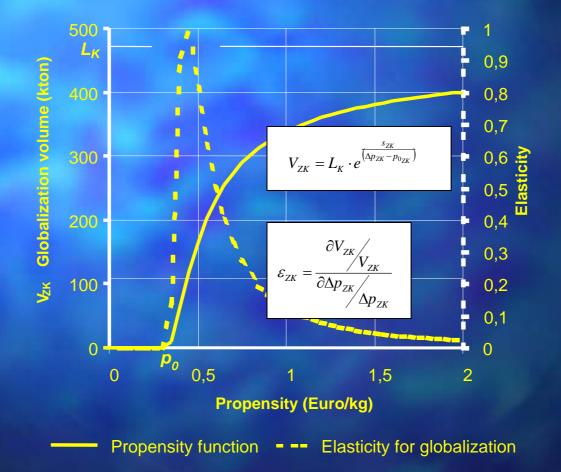
Volume

Deriving Typologies of Globalization ... An additional subtype is emerging



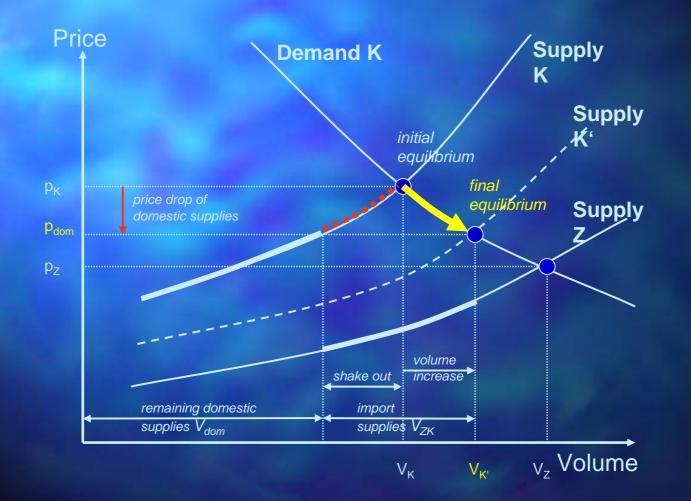
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Propensity function and corresponding elasticity for globalization



Theoretical Considerations

Price drop and shake-out in economy K due to globalization



What does that mean?

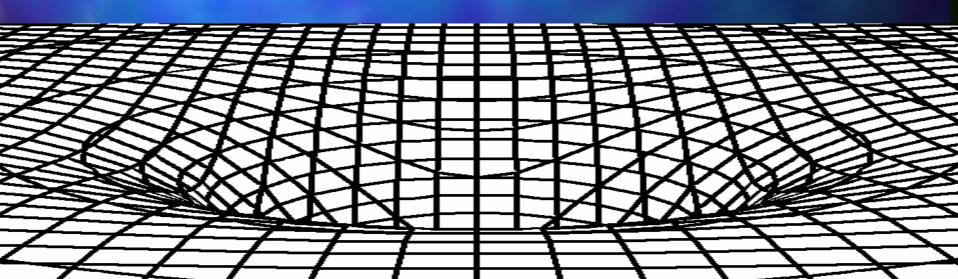
Analyzing the impact on the extrusion industry

Outlook part 2: Implications

Will a world market price establish?
Do we have to expect structural changes?
Is a new business paradigm crystallizing?
What is the extent of globalization in extrusions?
How can we respond to this challenge?

Thank you for your attention and see you tomorrow in the General Session for:

Part 2: The Implications



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