CUSTOMER SEGMENTATION: NECESSARY BASES FOR SOLID PRICING

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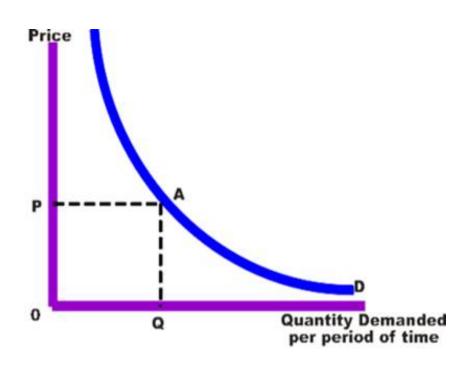
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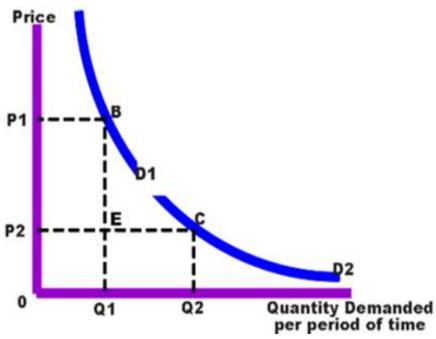




One size fits all vs segmentation effect

Segmentation will enable to cover a maximum of customers segments with different willingness to pay





One size fits all:

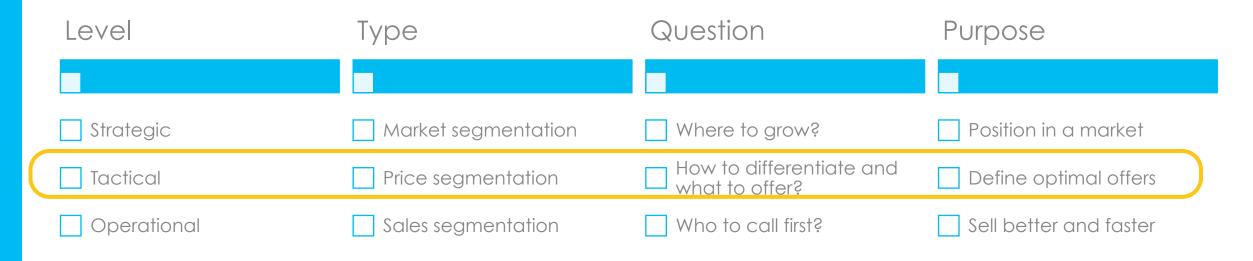
 only one segment of the market is adressed

Segmented approach:

more than one segment is adressed for greater volume and increased revenue



Types of segmentation



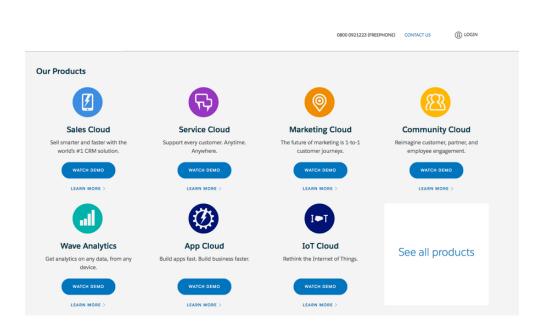
Price segmentation will allow to sell a product at 2 or more price levels based on value differentiation. Depending on your pricing strategy, you will adapt your segmentation or vice versa.

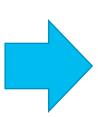
Pricing segmentation can be based on:

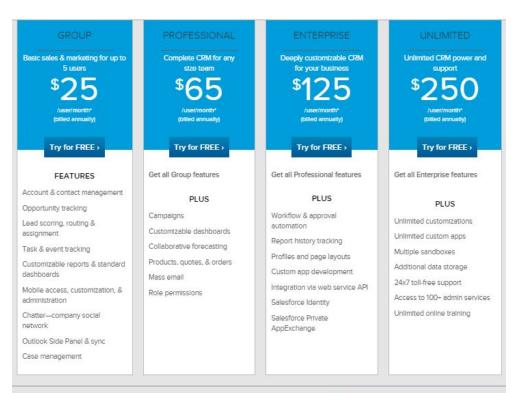
- Customer segment pricing
- Product segment pricing
- Location pricing...

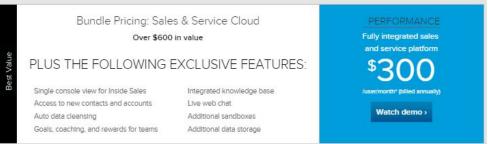


Example of price segmentation in the software industry







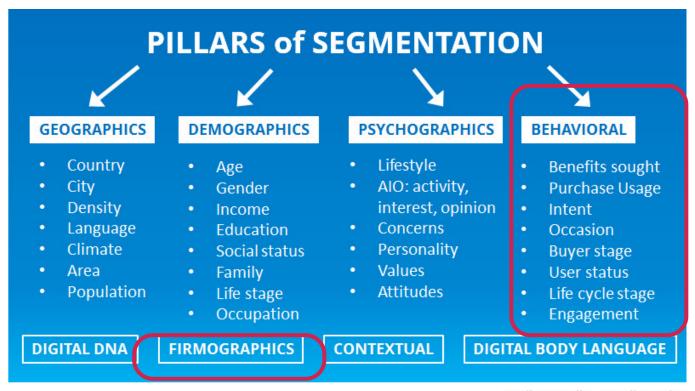




How to segment effectively?

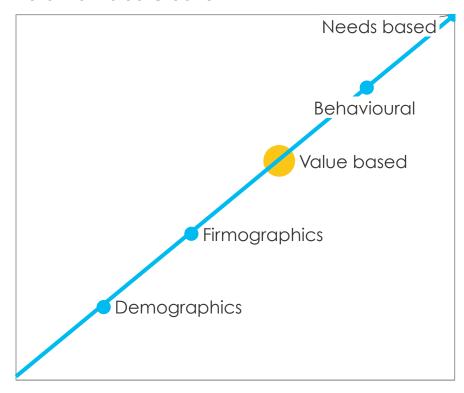






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Potential Value Creation



Customer insight

The optimal segmentation strikes a balance between customer insights and potential value creation





How to define good segmentation criteria?

Homogeneous		What It means: The members of the audience segment are similar in a relevant way.	Why it is important: This is the basis of audience segmentation – that the members of each segment are similar in terms of needs, values and/or characteristics.		
Heterogeneous	☐ Yes	What It means: Each segment is relatively unique, as compared to the other segments that have been identified.	Why It is important: This demonstrates that the broader audience has been effectively divided into sets of differing communication needs.		
Measurable	☐ Yes	What It means: Data from the situation analysis or other research should indicate the size of the audience segment.	Why it is important: Measurements allow programs to evaluate whether to focus on a particular segment.		
Substantial Yes		What It means: The audience segment is large enough, in terms of potential impact on public health, to warrant the program's attention.	Why It Is Important: Programs should have a minimum expectation for the impact of their investment. Therefore, programs should only consider segments that are big enough or important enough to impact public health.		
Accessible	Accessible Yes What it means: The audience segment is reachable particularly in terms of communicaccess to products or services negaddress the problem. What it means: The program is able to implement distinctive set of messages and in for each audience segment.		Why it is important: Each segment needs to be able to be reached and communicated with efficiently.		
			Why it is important: The program must have the resources and ability to address the segments identified.		
Responsive		What it means: Each audience segment can be expected to respond better to a distinct mix of messages and interventions, rather than a generic offering.	Why it is important: If the segment will not be more responsive to a distinct approach, then the segment can probably be combined with another similar segment.		

Illustration in the Software Industry

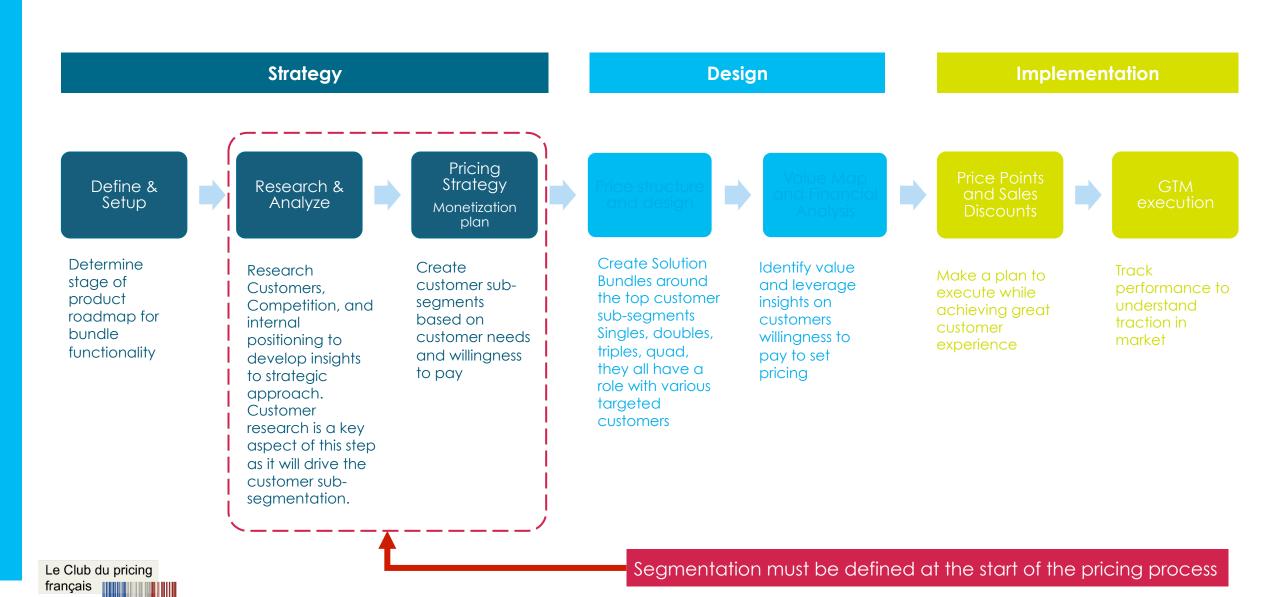
Target audience : Certified Public Account (CPA)

Critera	Profitable	Measurable	Sizeable	Accessible
Demographics				
Age of the partner	•	×	•	×
Firmographics				
Number of employees	•	•	•	•
Date of creation (age of the company)	×	•	•	•
Number of partners	×	•	•	•
Revenue growth	•	•	•	•
Type of advisory mission proposed by the CPA	•	•	•	•
Behavioural				
CPA's digital strategy	•	×	•	×
Use rate of the current product	•	•	×	×
Average productivity of employees	•	•	•	•





Segmenting along the Pricing Process



Segmentation process

- First discussion: always with your sponsor
- Hold conversations with sales, product marketing, distributors and customers

Conduct initial discussions

Gather segmentation database

- Collect all types of data availables
- Determine variables to measure
- if necessary, carry out a research to collect useful data

- Identify core marketplace needs
- Use firmographics, demographics, behavorials... to discover key segments

Discover key segments

Set segments priorities

- Size segments
- Define segment strategies



Analytical techniques for segmented pricing

Internal External

inter	nai	External			
Sold-with analysis -mapping of products by customer	Product / usage engagement	Cluster analysis	Leaders / Fillers/ Killers -ranking of different features		
Also bought this A	Feature usage by segment (% customers using feature) Feature Segment Segment Segment Segment 4 Feature 2 Feature 2 Feature 3 Feature 3 Feature 4 Feature 4 Feature 6 Feature 7 Feature 7 Feature 7 Feature 8 Feature 9 Feature 9 Feature 9 Feature 9 Feature 10 Feature 11 Feature 12 Feature 13 Feature 14 Feature 15 Feature 15 Feature 15 Feature 16 Feature 17 Feature 17 Feature 18 Feature 19 Feature	Charters:	High Leaders Premion Standalone Modules Low Perceived Value High		
Identify opportunities for cross sell based on affinities between products	First classification of leaders, fillers and killers	Build sub-segments of customers based on needs and WTP	Classification of leaders, fillers and killers		
 Provides good basis for bundles, however, not complete due to inward focus of analysis Simple to use 	 Does not require external funding to determine leaders, fillers, killers Identifies sub-segments of customers based on usage of products 	 Groups customers based on similarities i.e. price sensitivity, brand affinity, needs, ect. Leverage these customer clusters with willingness to pay to create sub-segments 	Shows the perception of customers (unlike product use analysis)		

Application

Senefits



Pricing optimisation of a Tax Management Software

Current pricing: « pick and choose »



- 13 different product options same price for each option – no bundle
- Pricing structure based on company size (10 levels)
- Fixed price per level

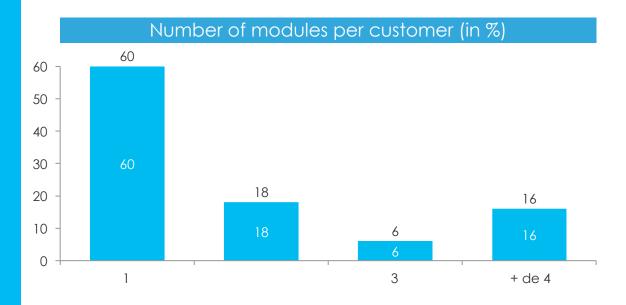
Future pricing: packaged solution design



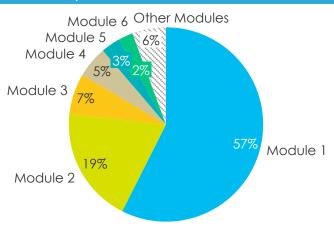
- Define sub-segmentation after market and usage analysis
- Assure a consistent price level with other products sold to the same customer segment and align with the willingness to pay
- Choice the best metric per segment
- Propose a packaging adapted to customer needs



Customer Base Analysis



Share of sales of the preferred modules

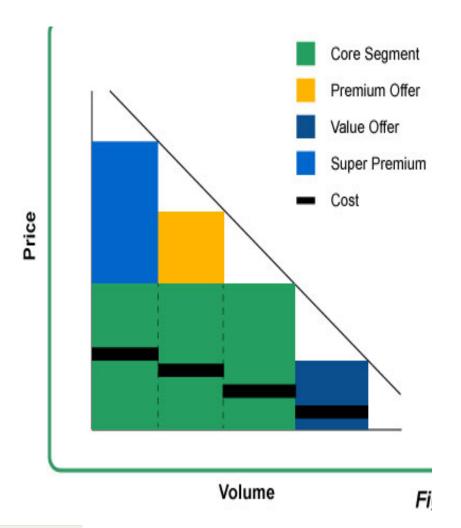


Sold with analysis

	Average										
	price	Penetration	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5	Option 6	Option 7	Option 8	Option 9
Option 1	104€	21,44%	1%	0%	100%	4%	24%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Option 2	1 513 €	13,78%	100%	35%	2%	45%	40%	16%	40%	40%	29%
Option 3	521€	13,56%	46%	27%	7%	100%	28%	13%	25%	24%	19%
Option 4	9€	10,56%	52%	23%	48%	36%	100%	9%	23%	18%	16%
Option 5	755 €	6,67%	82%	38%	0%	52%	37%	17%	100%	37%	43%
Option 6	1 259 €	6,33%	88%	35%	0%	51%	30%	25%	39%	100%	39%
Option 7	760 €	5,11%	93%	100%	0%	72%	48%	30%	50%	43%	43%
Option 8	607€	4,56%	88%	49%	0%	56%	37%	27%	63%	54%	100%



New pricing (illustrative only)



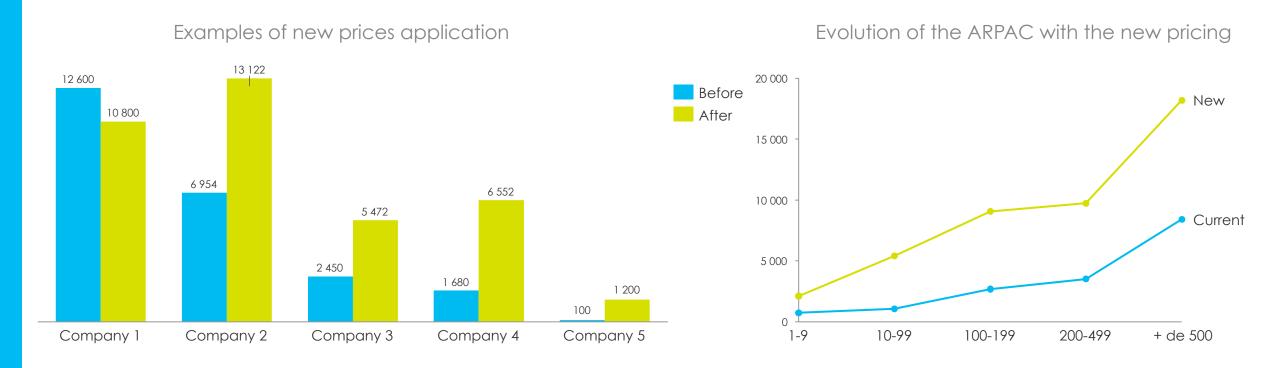
Pricing Model	Offer1		
Subscription per company/mo Price for additional company + price per flow (EDI)	99€ 4.99€ 0.99€		
Options	Other		
Per module + price per site + price per flow (EDI)	99€ 0.49€ 0.99€		

Pricing Model	Bundle 1	Bundle 2
1 to 9 locations	300€	600€
10 to 99 locations	350€	700€
100 to 499 locations	400€	800€
500+ locations	500€	1000€
+ price per location	0,2€	0,5€
+ price per flow (EDI)	0,99€	0,99€



Revenue projection (base on existing customer base)

New pricing model is likely to grow our revenue by 260% with little impact on volume







Key factor of success

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Keep it simple, by all means!

Think customer first, as always ©

Value is all which matters, what else?

Segment, learn, refine... and segment again

Segments are often specific to an offer, should you change the offer, then reconsider your segmentation

Trash

Independent research has identified 4 distinct segments within the Small Business space, each with different accounting need.



Side-preneurs

I'm doing business as well as my job and I just need basic income and expenses



Independents

I'm a sole-preneur, I'm successful and need invoicing and sales tax submission



Local-heroes

The business has grown, I need good information for decision making and business management



Growth

Successful, I'm now trying to optimise performance and need reporting flexibility

Accounting Needs

Lower

