



Introduction to Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A)

(Strategy, Valuation, Financing & Value Creation)

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Outline



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1. Understanding M&A

Understanding mergers, acquisitions, takeovers and business combinations?

Three key types of M&A:

1. Horizontal, vertical, conglomerate
2. Product/market extension, and
3. Cross-border transactions

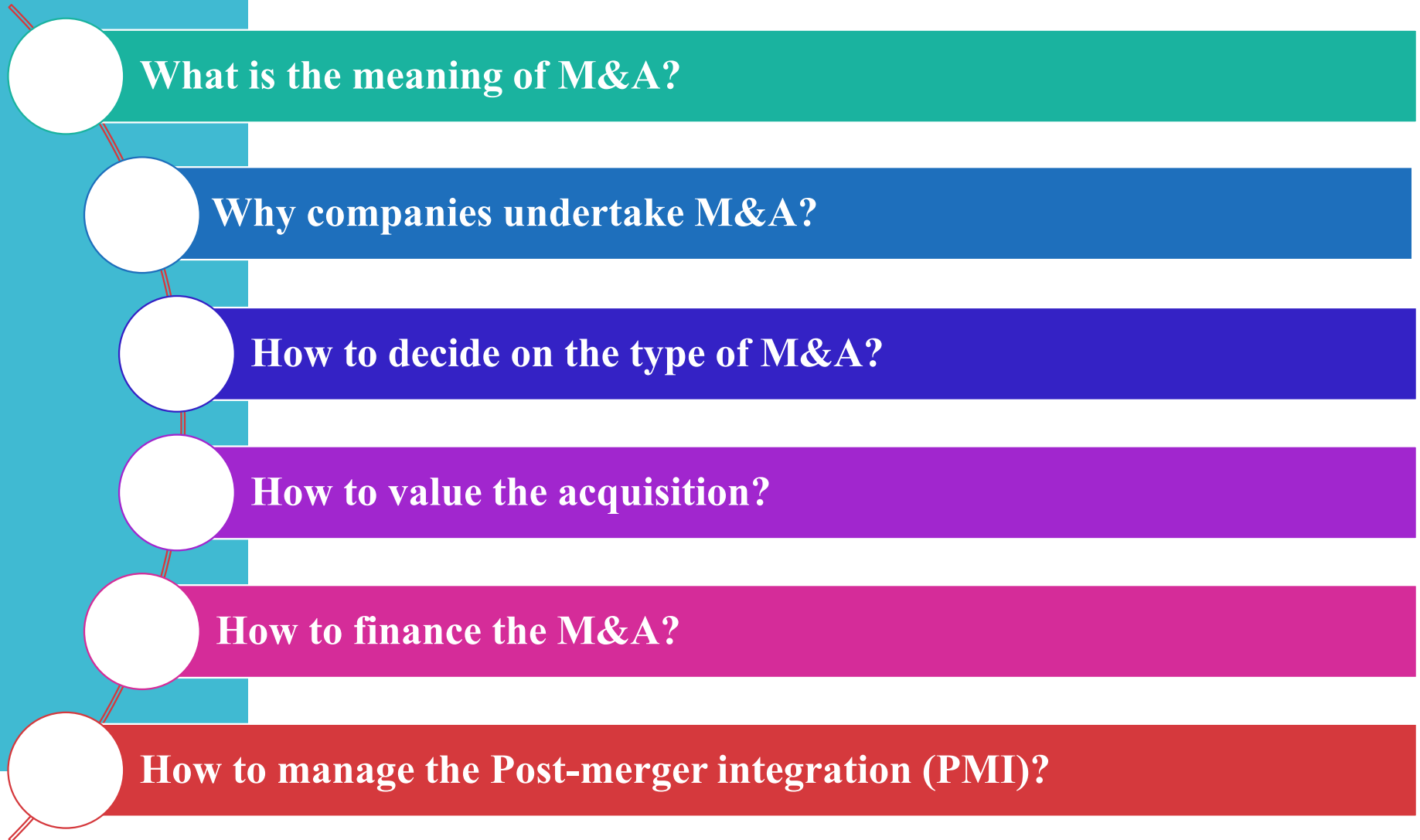
- **Why do companies choose M&A instead of organic growth?**

1. $\text{Value (A + B)} > \text{Value A} + \text{value B}$
2. How can the combined company generate more value than the two companies separately?

- **What makes a company an attractive acquisition target?**

1. How to select the target?
2. How much is the target worth without and with potential synergies?

2. Learning Key Objectives

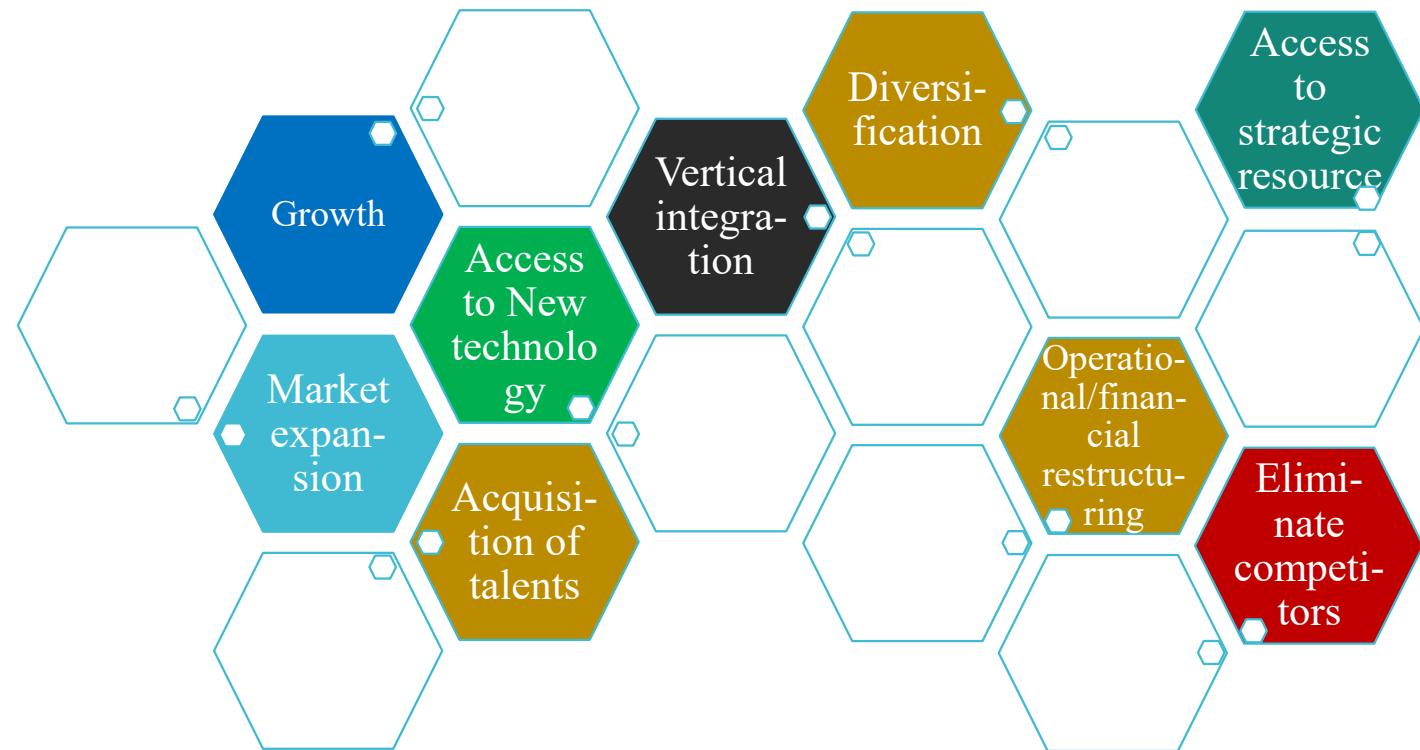


3. How to define M&A?

Selected definitions

Concept	Core definition / perspective	Central concept
Merger	Two companies combine to form a combined or new business	Combined or New Business
Acquisition	One company purchases control of another company	Purchase control
	Takeover	
	Consolidation	
	Divestiture	
5	Joint venture JV) — a JV is not technically an M&A transaction, even though it can be part of the broader process.	

4. Why Do Companies Engage in M&A?



5. Main Types of M&A

Main Type	Operationalization	
Horizontal M&A	Company A + Competitor B	→ Same industry / same value chain level
Vertical	Supplier → Manufacturer → Distributor	→ Acquisition along the value chain
Conglomerate	Company A + Company B	→ Different industries
Product/market - extension M&A	Different but related/complementary goods & services / Often operate in the same or overlapping markets	Generally similar or identical goods & services / Usually operate in different geographic or customer markets
Cross-border M&A	Acquirer and target company are based in different countries	provide access to new markets and capabilities, but can also introduces additional complexity and risk
Private equity / financial acquisitions	The buyer is typically a private equity fund, investment fund, or other financial investor , rather than a strategic corporate competitor.	The primary objective is to generate an attractive return on invested capital (ROIC) / investor return

6. M&A Strategy

Key points

Key Activities

1. Why this target?

Assess strategic fit, market fit, geographic fit, product fit, technology fit, customer fit, cultural fit, etc.

2. What are the sources of synergies?

- Revenue synergies
- Cost synergies
- Financial synergies

3. How to measure the M&A Value-Creation?

- $\text{Value Created} = \text{Synergies} - \text{Acquisition Premium} - \text{Transaction Costs} - \text{Integration Costs}$
- This implies that synergies alone do not guarantee value creation

4. What is the M&A process?

Strategy → Target identification → Screening → Valuation
 Due diligence → Negotiation → Financing → Signing
 Regulatory Approval/Closing → Integration → Post-Merger
 → Integration (PMI)

7. Financing & M&A Value Creation

How Are Acquisitions Financed?

- Cash
- Debt
- Equity
- Shares / Stock
- Combination / Hybrid financing

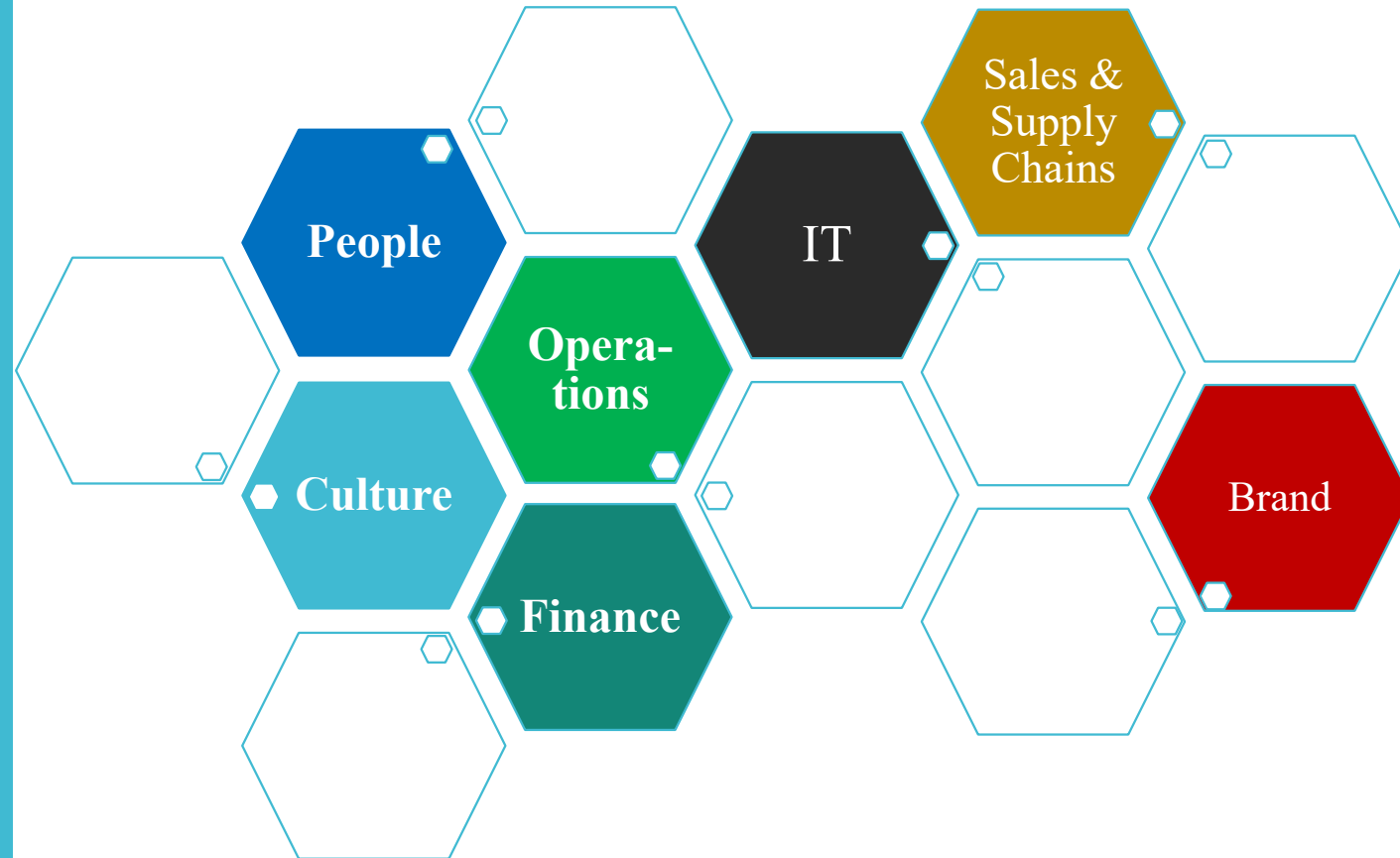
Leveraged Buyouts (LBOs)

- An LBO is an acquisition financed substantially with debt, where the target's cash flows are expected to help service the debt
- Sponsor Equity + Debt → Acquisition → Cash Flow → Debt Repayment → Equity Value

Negotiation & Deal Structure

- Purchase price
- Cash vs. shares
- Earn-outs
- Break-up fees
- Non-compete clauses
- Closing conditions

8. Post-Merger Integration



Thank you

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