DYNAMICS 365: YOUR COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE DEMYSTIFYING THE PLATFORM SO YOU CAN DISCUSS IT WITH CONFIDENCE





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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Westcoast Cloud Dynamics Drive interactive guide. You've probably heard of Dynamics before: it's Microsoft's customer engagement and business management platform, a combination of CRM and ERP technologies that sits behind all your business processes. Dynamics helps to integrate and co-ordinate every part of an organisation.

We know Dynamics can seem like a big and complicated beast, but it's easier to deploy and manage than you might think. So our aim with this document is to help you tame it, and get it working for your customers.

We'll go through the capabilities and SKUs of course, but also the ways it can solve different business challenges. Employees from across your customers' businesses will be impacted by Dynamics – from finance, sales and marketing, to call centre and warehouse staff. To get value out of the platform, it's important to understand the impacts and benefits for all of them.

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LET'S BUST SOME MYTHS

A lot of the common objections we find with Dynamics are down to a lack of understanding. Some of our partners are worried that they don't have the resources or internal knowledge to run the platform, or can't see the business case to deploy it for clients. Here's the twist though: the more you understand your clients' business processes – how they work day to day, and what their pains and challenges are – the easier it is to establish the business case for Dynamics.

Here are just a few of the key benefits that customers can achieve on the platform:

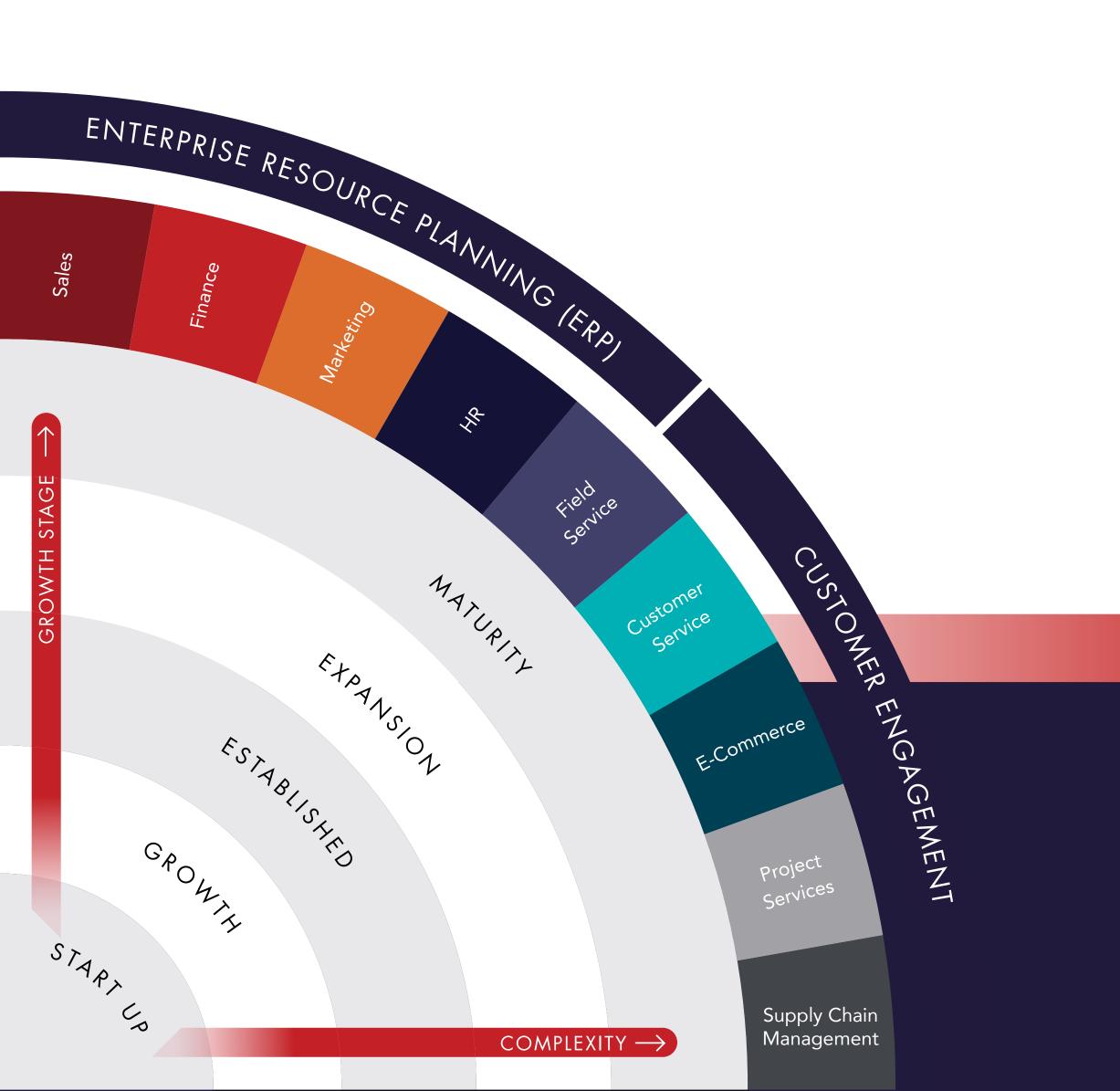
- Secure, compliant data storage and transfer
- Powerful analytics and reporting for all business functions
- Simple collaboration and integration with other business processes
- Real-time data accessible on any device
- Improved speed and efficiency throughout the business
- A consolidated view of the customer, ensuring consistent experiences at every touchpoint

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And with Westcoast Cloud's training, enablement, technical support and long experience of Dynamics, you should be able to deploy and manage the platform for your customers with confidence.





HOW TO USE THIS TOOL

Here you'll see our radar diagram. You can use this to explore how Dynamics can help businesses of different sizes.

Click into any of the business functions or growth stages to navigate back to them, or you can always click the 'Home' button 🏠 which is located bottom right, to come back to the start.

STEP ONE

STEP TWO

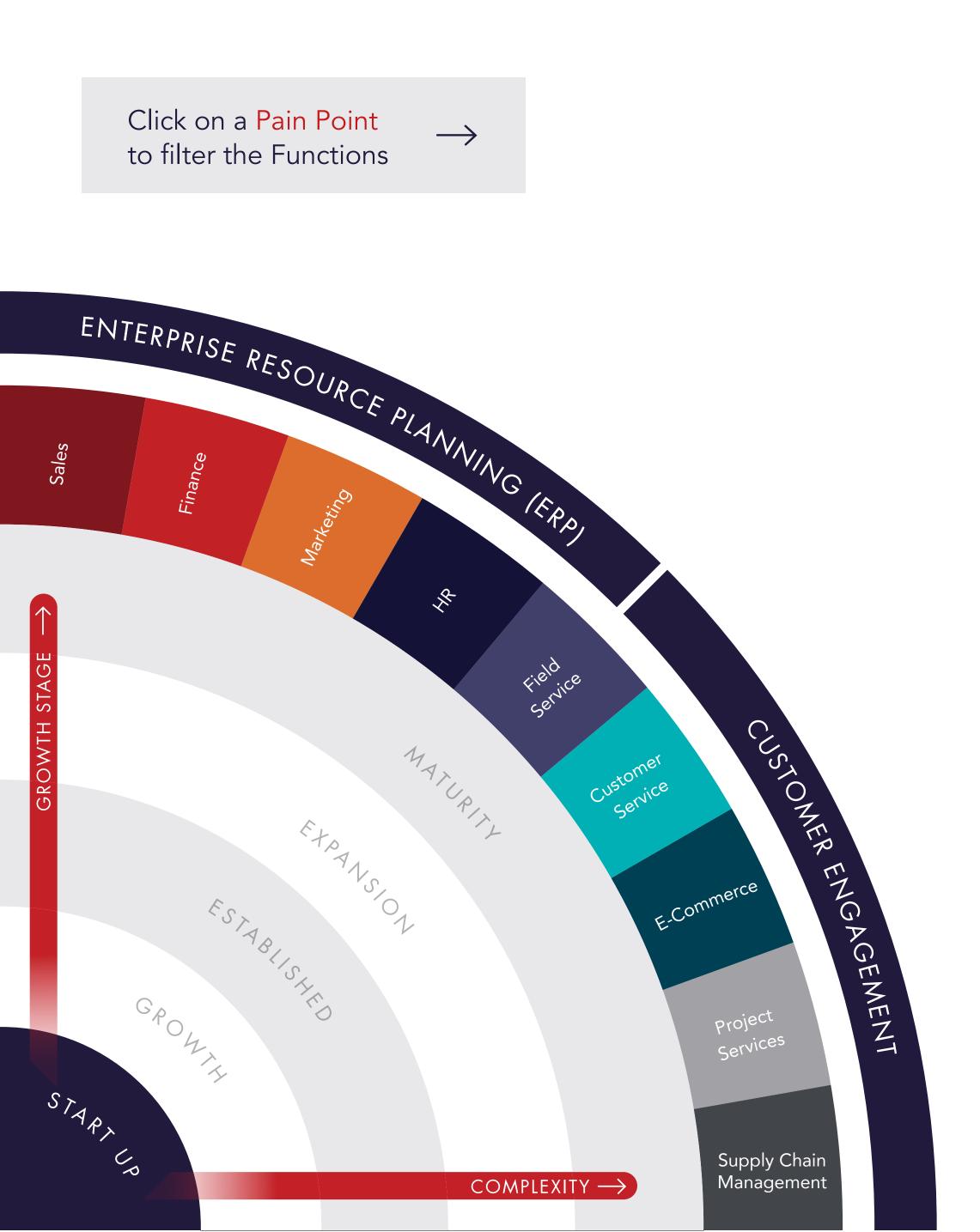
Click a relevant growth stage on the Radar Select a Pain Point from the right-hand column

STEP THREE

Pick one of the highlighted business functions on the Radar to read more

First up, we'd suggest viewing this document in either Adobe Acrobat or in Google Chrome. Once you've opened it in one of those viewers, you're good to go.

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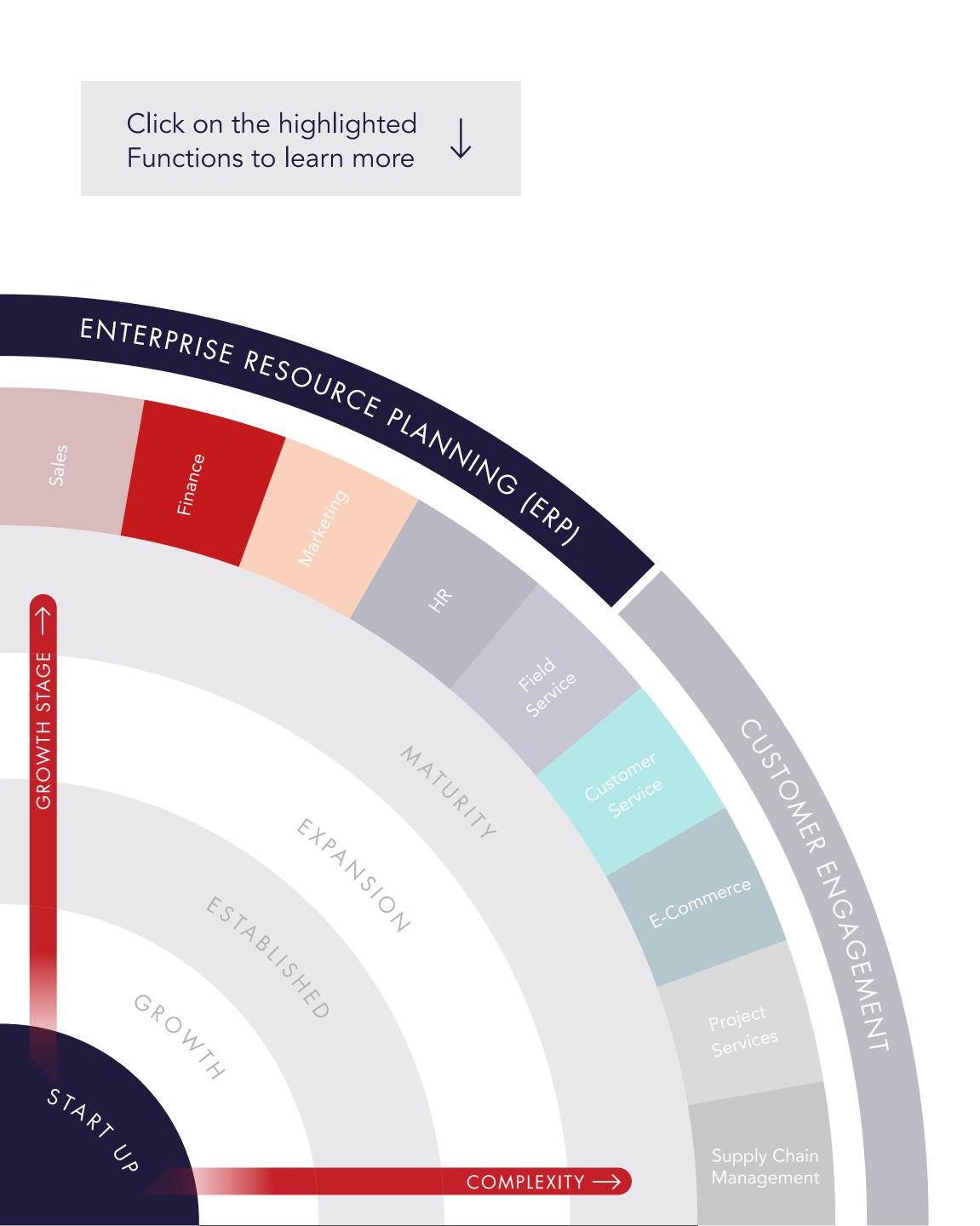
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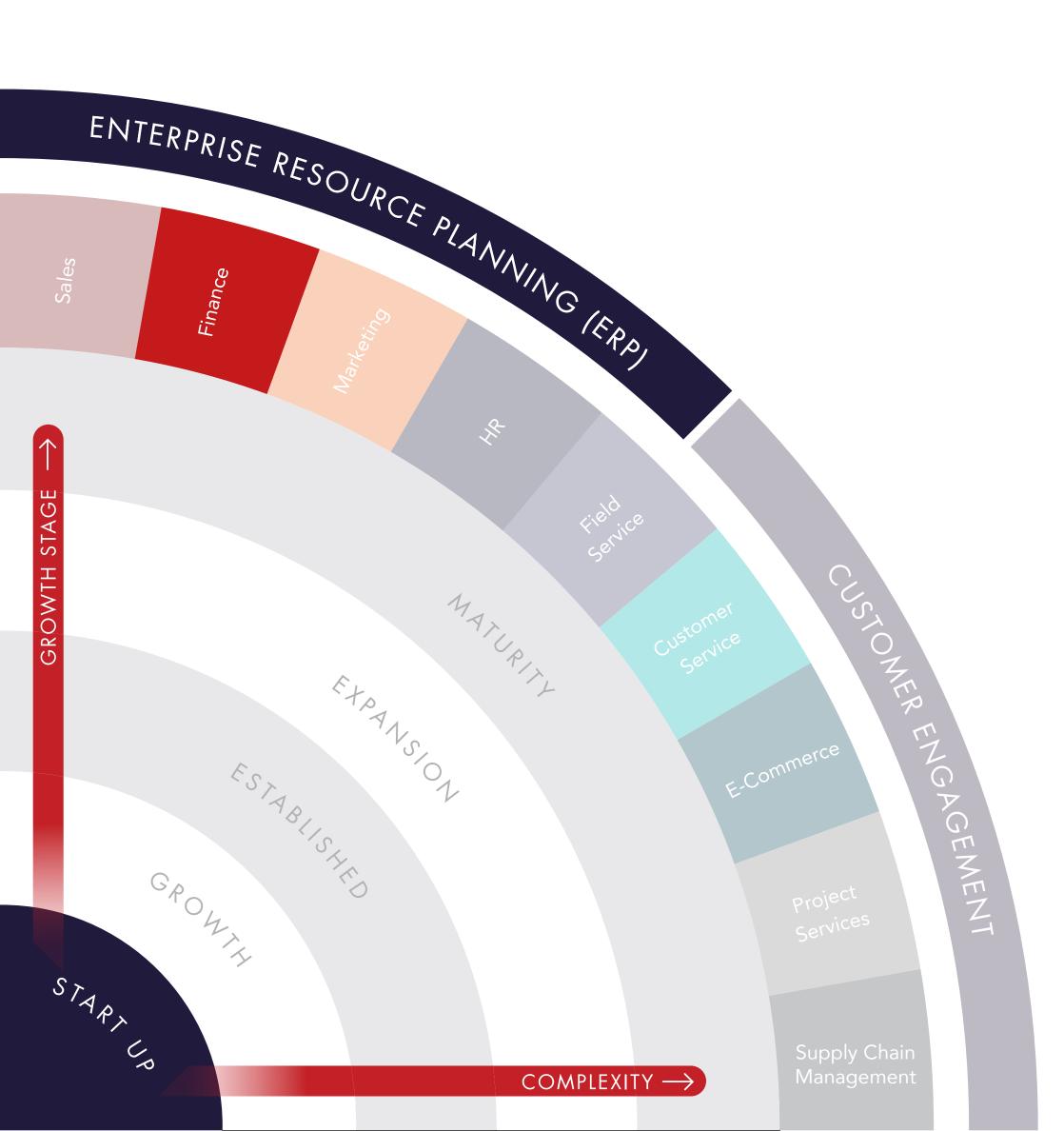
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Start up / Pain Point 1, 5 / Finance / Challenges



FINANCE: START UP

PAIN POINTS

Finance Finding the resources to manage cashflow and balance sheets



Finance

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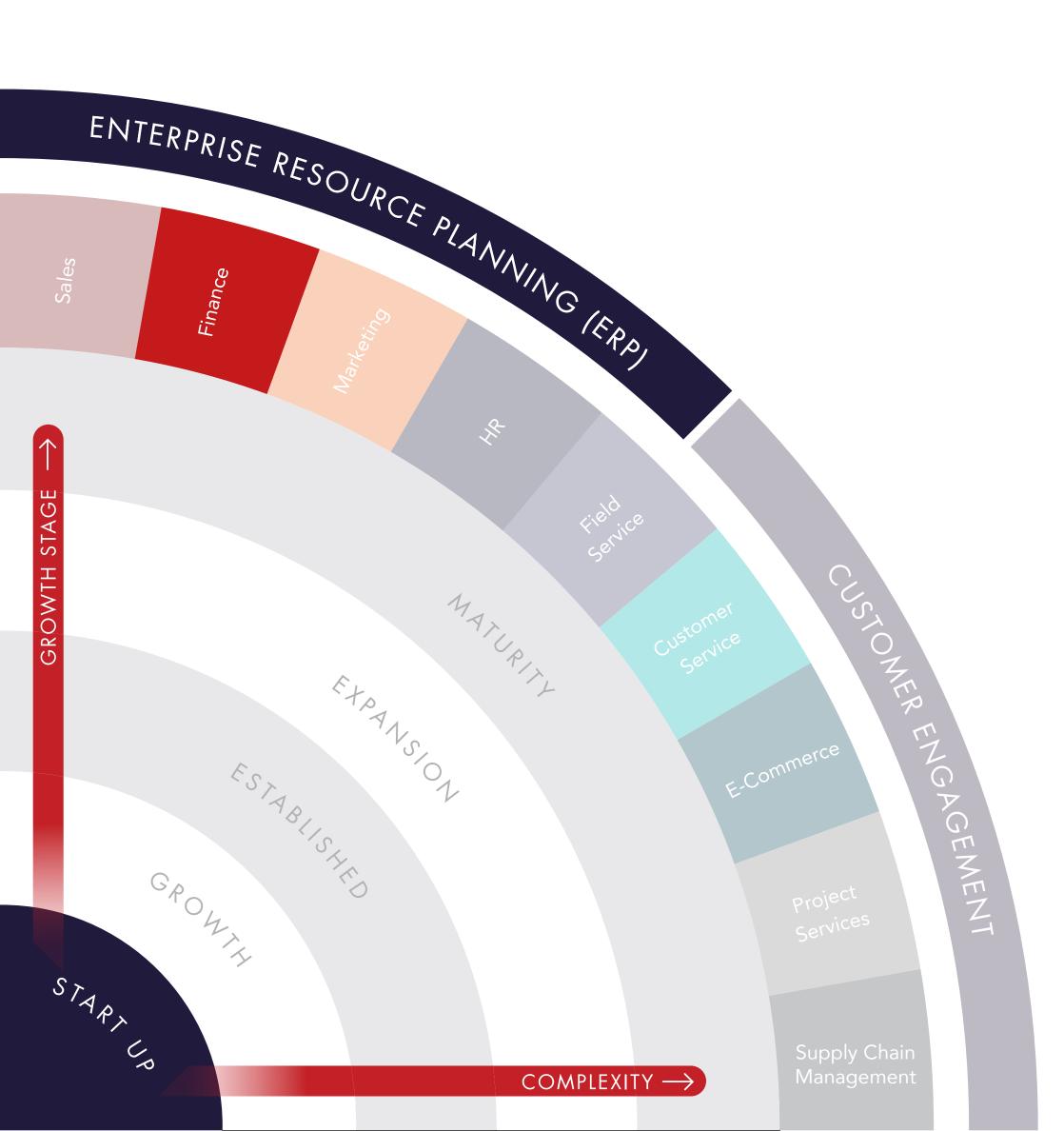








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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

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Accounts receivable

Accounts payable

Treasury

External compliance certification

Risk decisioning dashboard

Fixed assets

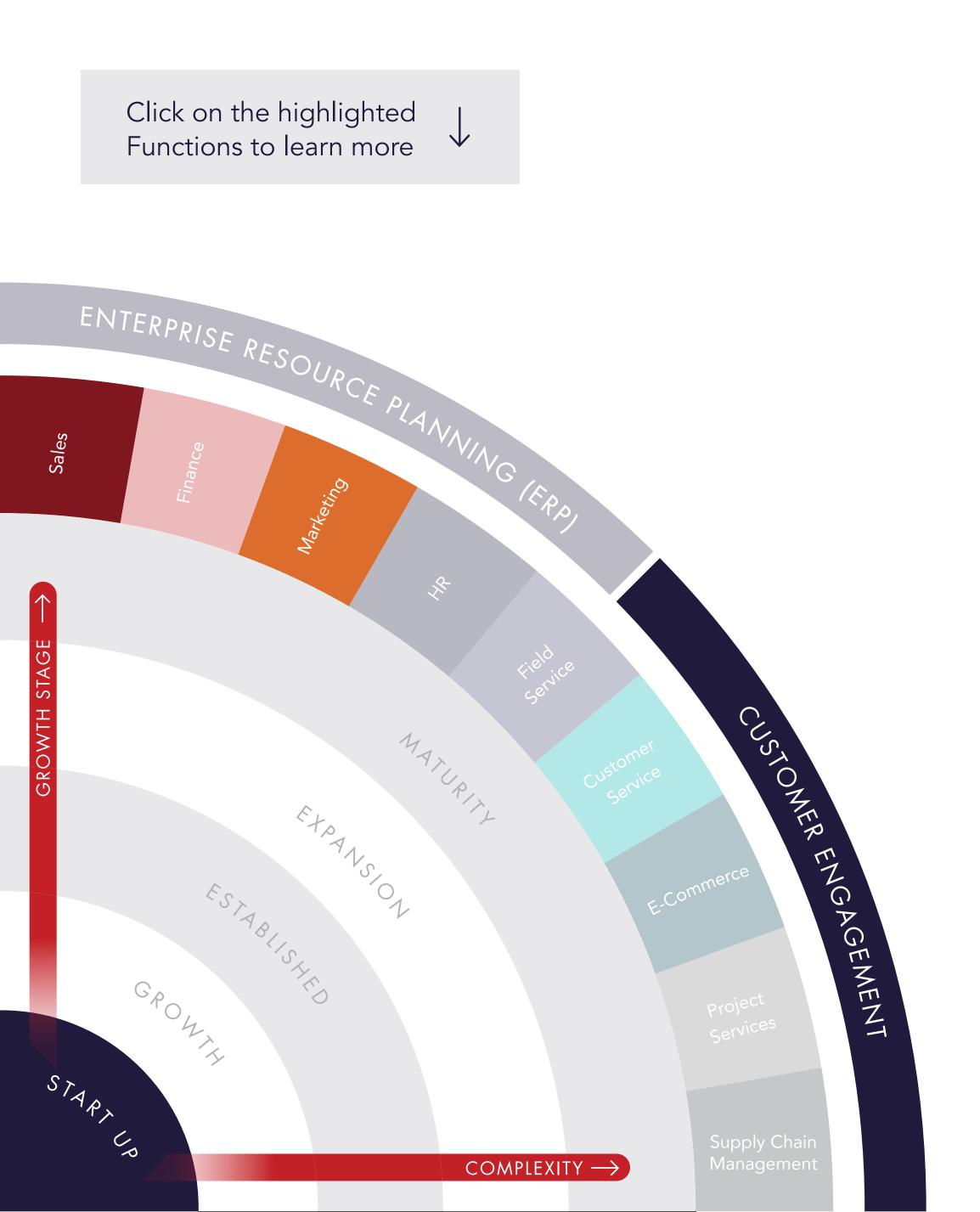
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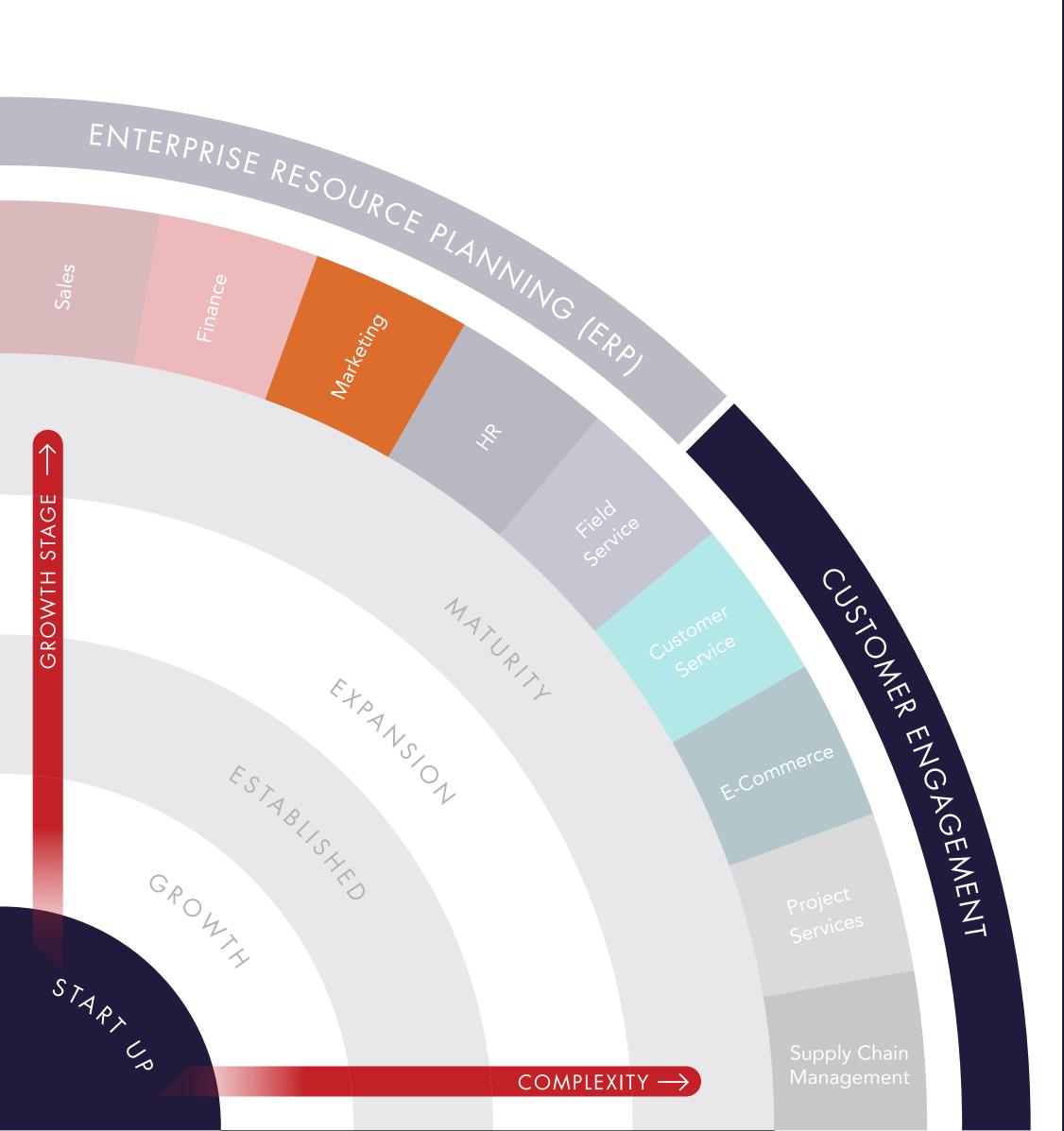
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Start up / Pain Point 2, 6, 7 / Marketing / Challenges



MARKETING: START UP

PAIN POINTS



Marketing Understanding how to gain new customers and nurture existing ones



Marketing Inability to react effectively to changing customer needs and build a reputation in the market



Marketing Getting ahead of day-to-day business to spend more time understanding how to grow

CHALLENGES

One of the biggest challenges for marketing departments is getting accurate, up-todate data and making sense of how to use it effectively. They may have a large customer database that doesn't yield any useful insights, or too few staff to consistently communicate with their network.

This makes it difficult to send timely information to the right customers, hampering crosssell and upsell efforts, and opening the door for competitors. For those customers they do communicate with, marketers without a platform like Dynamics may struggle to monitor email open rates or link customer touchpoints to sales data. It's very hard to track results or understand whether they are adding value.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

Dynamics for Marketing helps teams plan and deliver campaigns; increase customer demand for their products and services; create, track and nurture leads; and personalise communications for prospects and customers across channels.

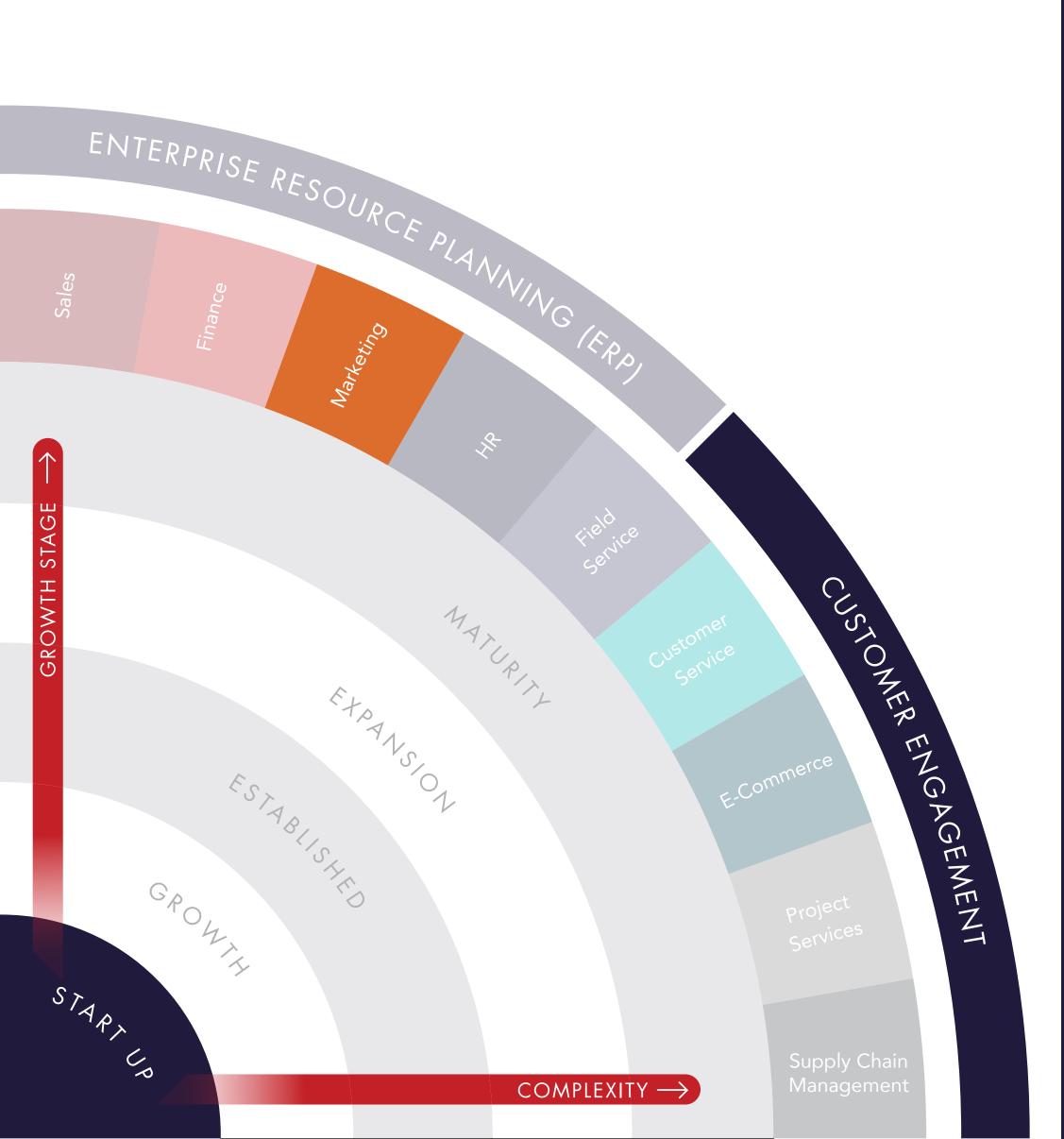
It helps marketers align with their sales teams and create a single view of the prospect, delivering a seamless customer experience.

And by targeting the right customers and optimising marketing resources, it can ultimately help marketers improve the ROI of their activities.





Start up / Pain Point 2, 6, 7 / Marketing / Capabilities



MARKETING: START UP

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Marketing Getting ahead of day-to-day business to spend more time understanding how to grow

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

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- Lead scoring
- Market segmentation
- Customer journeys
- Event management
- Connector for LinkedIn
- Lead generation forms

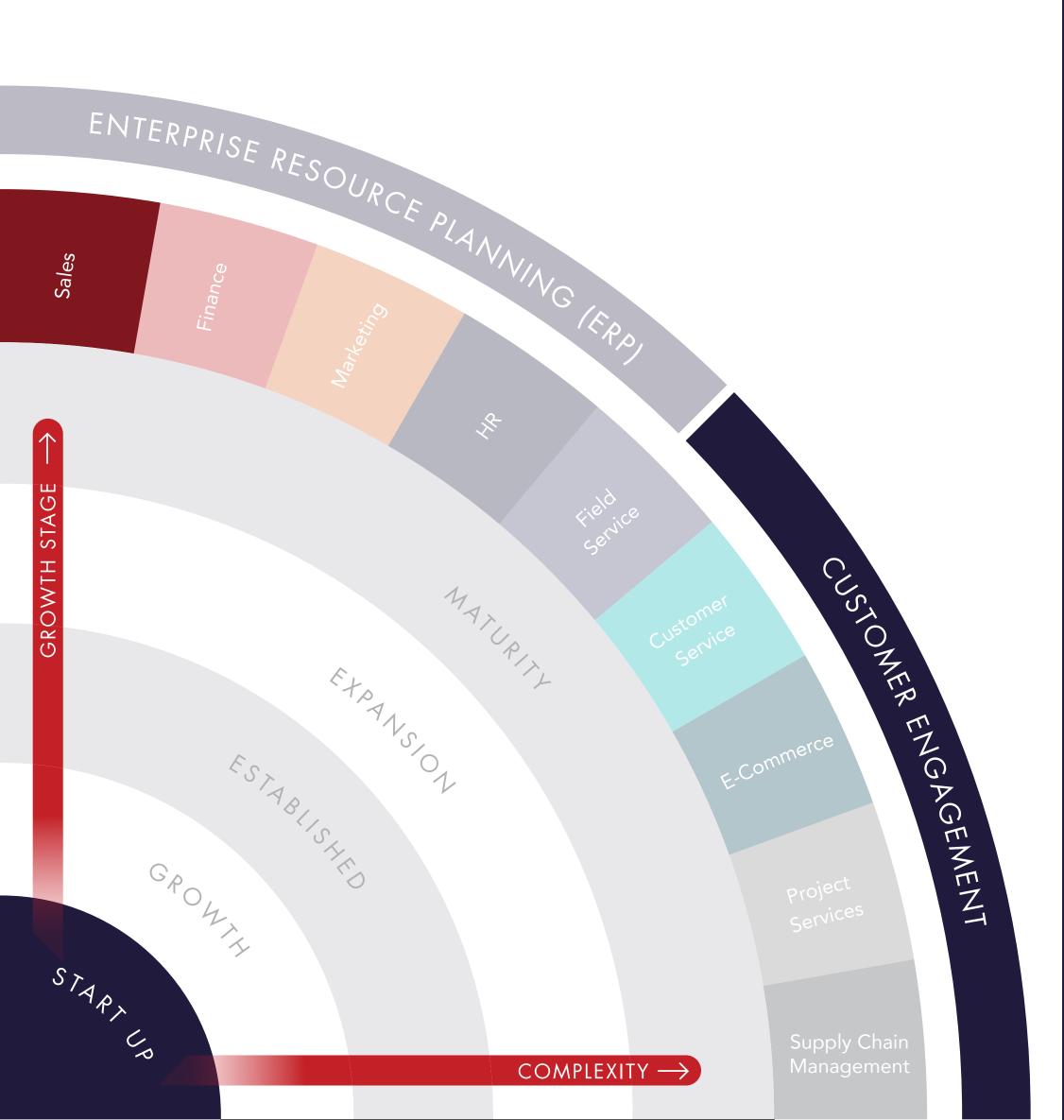
Dynamics 365 Marketing Dynamics 365 Customer Insight Power Apps







Start up / Pain Point 2, 7 / Sales / Challenges



SALES: START UP

PAIN POINTS



Sales

Understanding how to gain new customers and nurture existing ones



Sales Getting ahead of day-today business to spend more time understanding how to grow

CHALLENGES

Whether managing a small number of highvalue opportunities, or hundreds of smaller leads, salespeople rely on accurate data to succeed. They need to track ongoing opportunities and have a clear overview of all the customers they're currently working with – as well as how those customers are interacting with colleagues in other parts of the business.

Reporting is also vital. Salespeople are sometimes unable to run reports on opportunities and share that information with management. That makes it extremely difficult to collaborate with marketing, and prevents sales teams pursuing opportunities from start to finish. Individual salespeople can also struggle to receive rewards and recognition when they can't prove their work has contributed to business outcomes.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

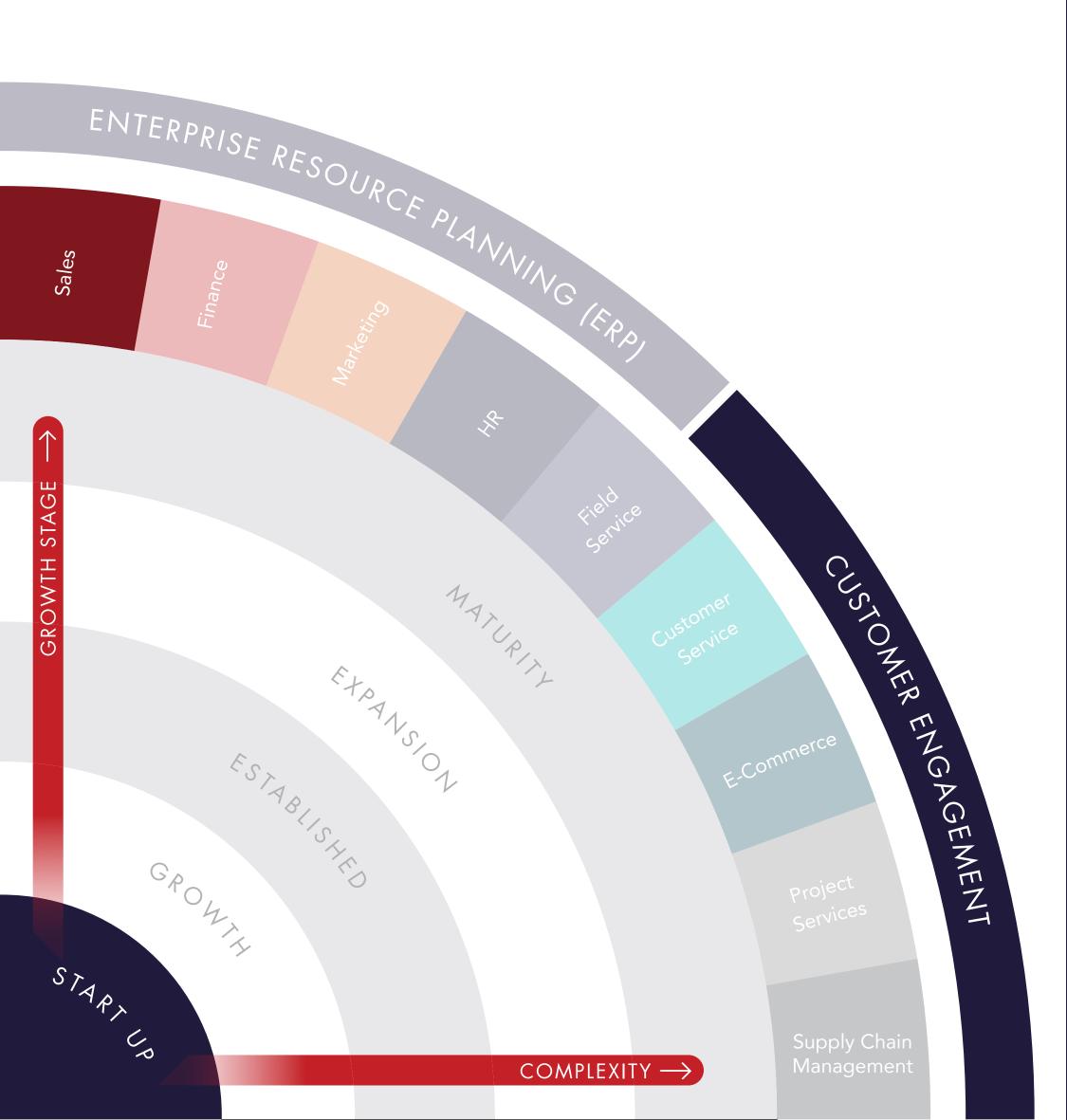
With its background in CRM, Dynamics is well set up to support sales teams to integrate with marketing and the rest of the business. The comprehensive customer views help salespeople to better understand clients' needs, engage them effectively, and drive more sales revenue.

Dynamics can incorporate information from LinkedIn Sales Navigator, marketing automation platforms, and other sources. It uses intelligent data to bring those customer insights into Office 365 software, making the sales lifecycle simple and familiar. And the underlying AI enables smarter selling, letting salespeople cross-sell and upsell more effectively by targeting the right customers at the right times.





Start up / Pain Point 2, 7 / Sales / Capabilities



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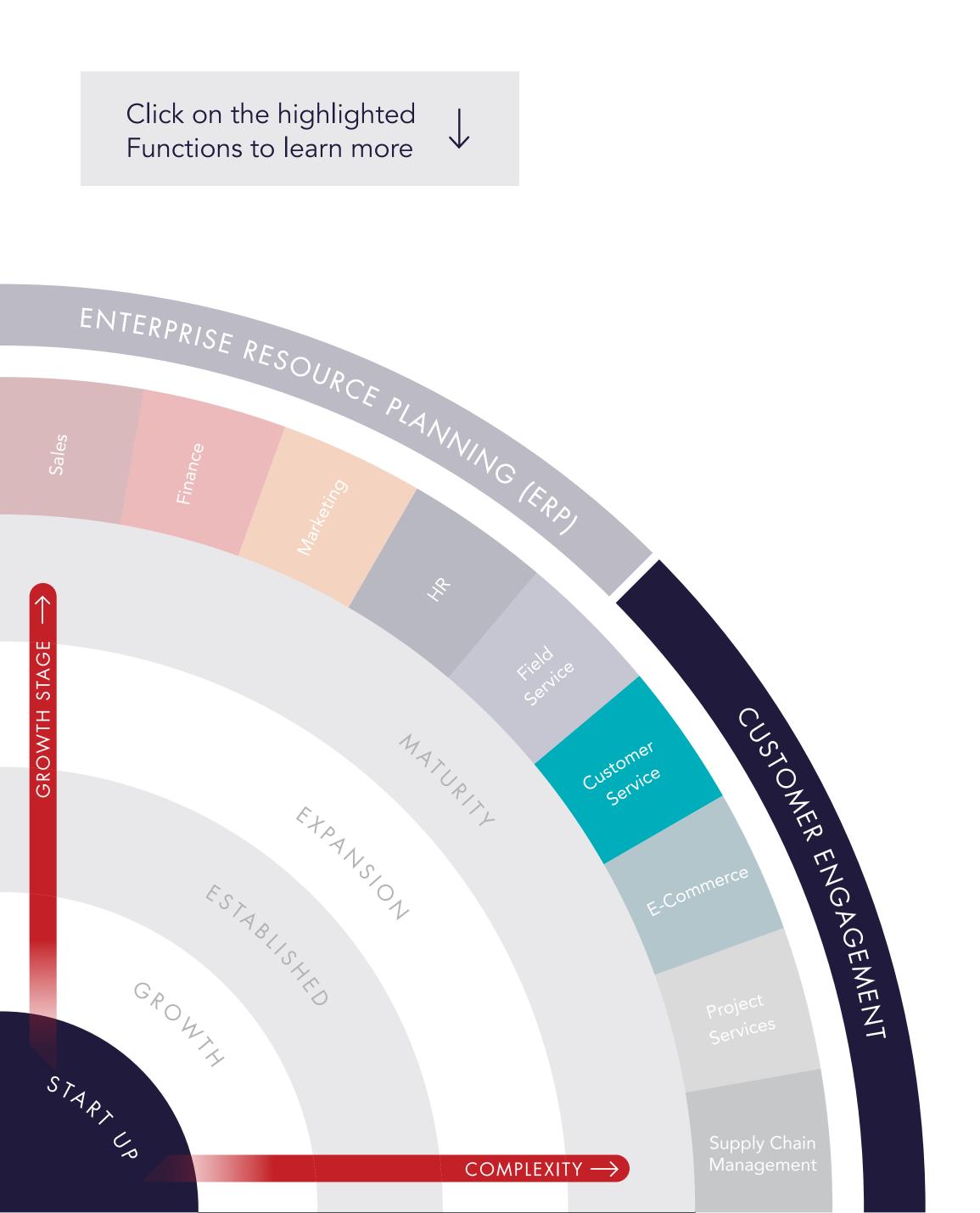
- Lead management
- Opportunity management
- Pipeline forecasting
- Sales automation
- Quote management
- Marketing lists
- Email marketing

Dynamics 365 Sales Professional Dynamics 365 Sales Insight Power BI









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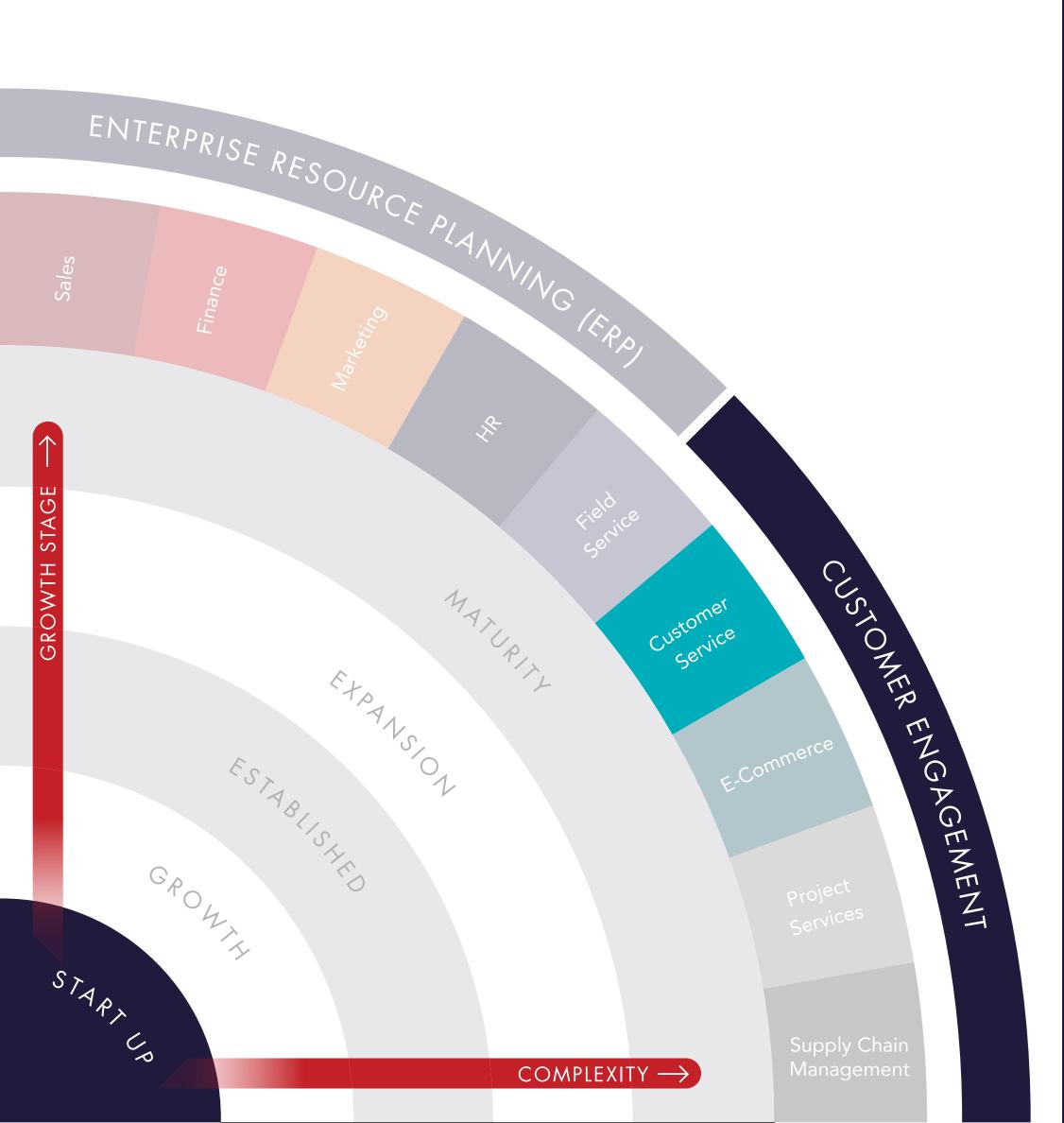
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Start up / Pain Point 3, 6 / Customer Service / Challenges



CUSTOMER SERVICE: START UP

PAIN POINTS

Customer Service Growth is restricted because staff can't deliver consistent service to a large customer base



Customer Service Inability to react effectively to changing customer needs and build a reputation in the market

CHALLENGES

To meet high customer expectations, businesses are now under pressure to deliver omnichannel customer service. But for many, it's impossible to track when a customer has previously interacted with the company, even if they spoke to a different agent just minutes before.

Customer sales advisors may not have access to real-time, accurate information, or have collaboration tools in place to get quick answers from other departments.

And when customer calls surge, they sometimes lack the call handling insight to resource their teams properly, or have no way to route customers through an interactive voice response (IVR).

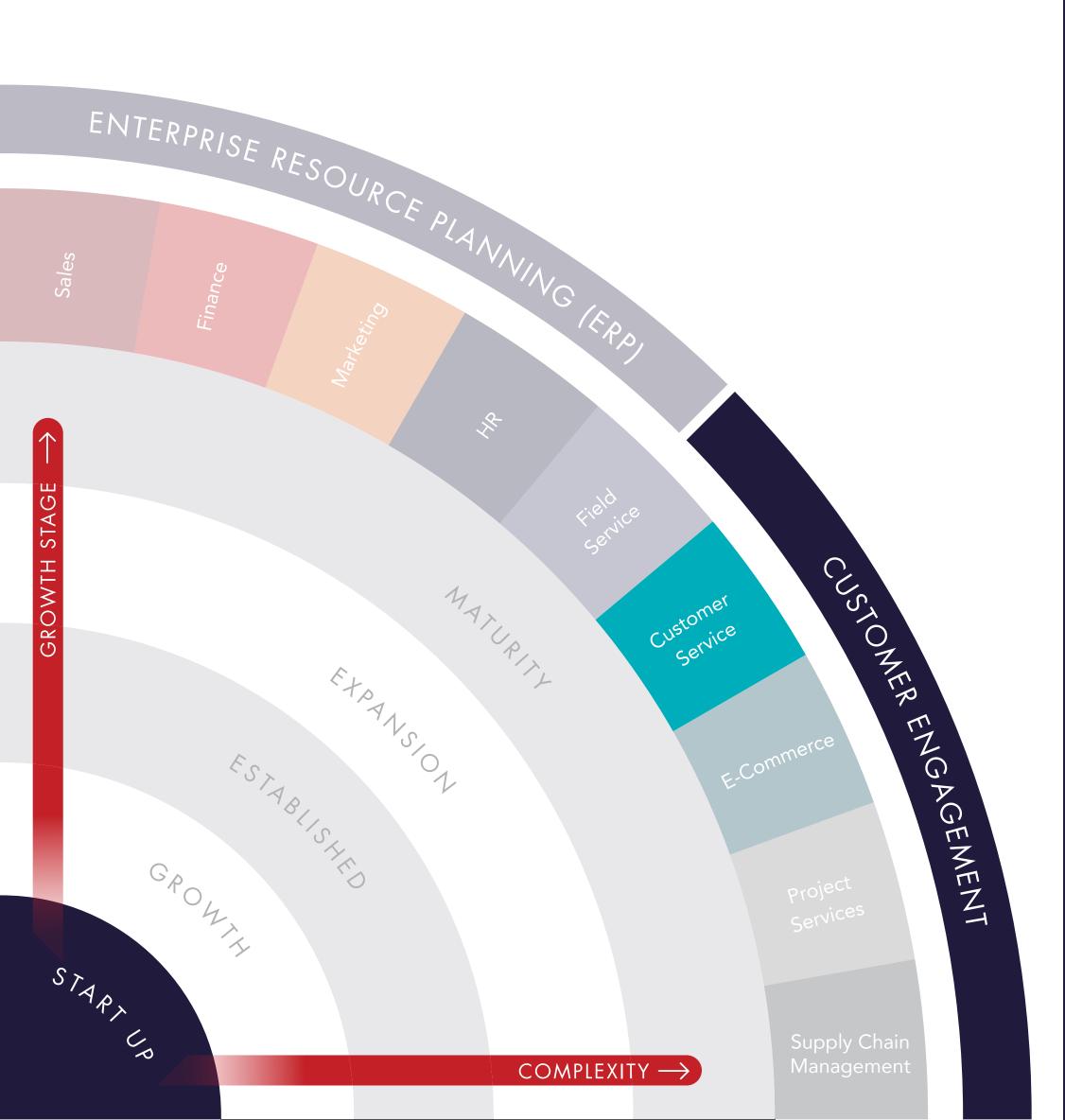
BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

The CRM capabilities within Dynamics, underpinned by AI, are an ideal platform to help customer service teams deliver seamless, personalised experiences. Dynamics brings all customer touchpoints into one comprehensive view, so agents are empowered to solve problems with a full picture of the situation.





Start up / Pain Point 3, 6 / Customer Service / Capabilities



CUSTOMER SERVICE: START UP

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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Case management

SLA support

Account management

Service automation

Customer web portals

Contract management

Service analytics

Dynamics 365 Customer Service Enterprise

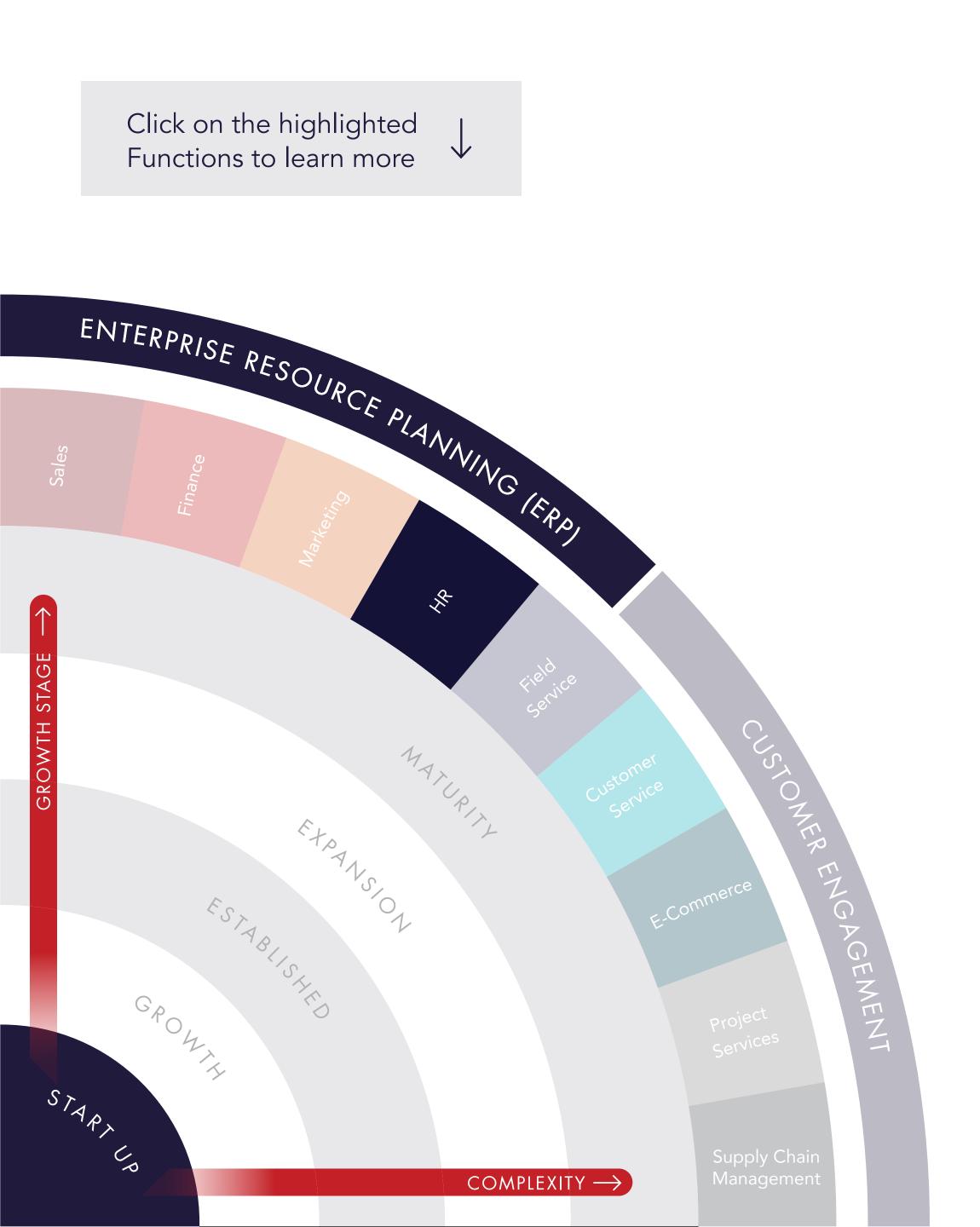
Power Apps

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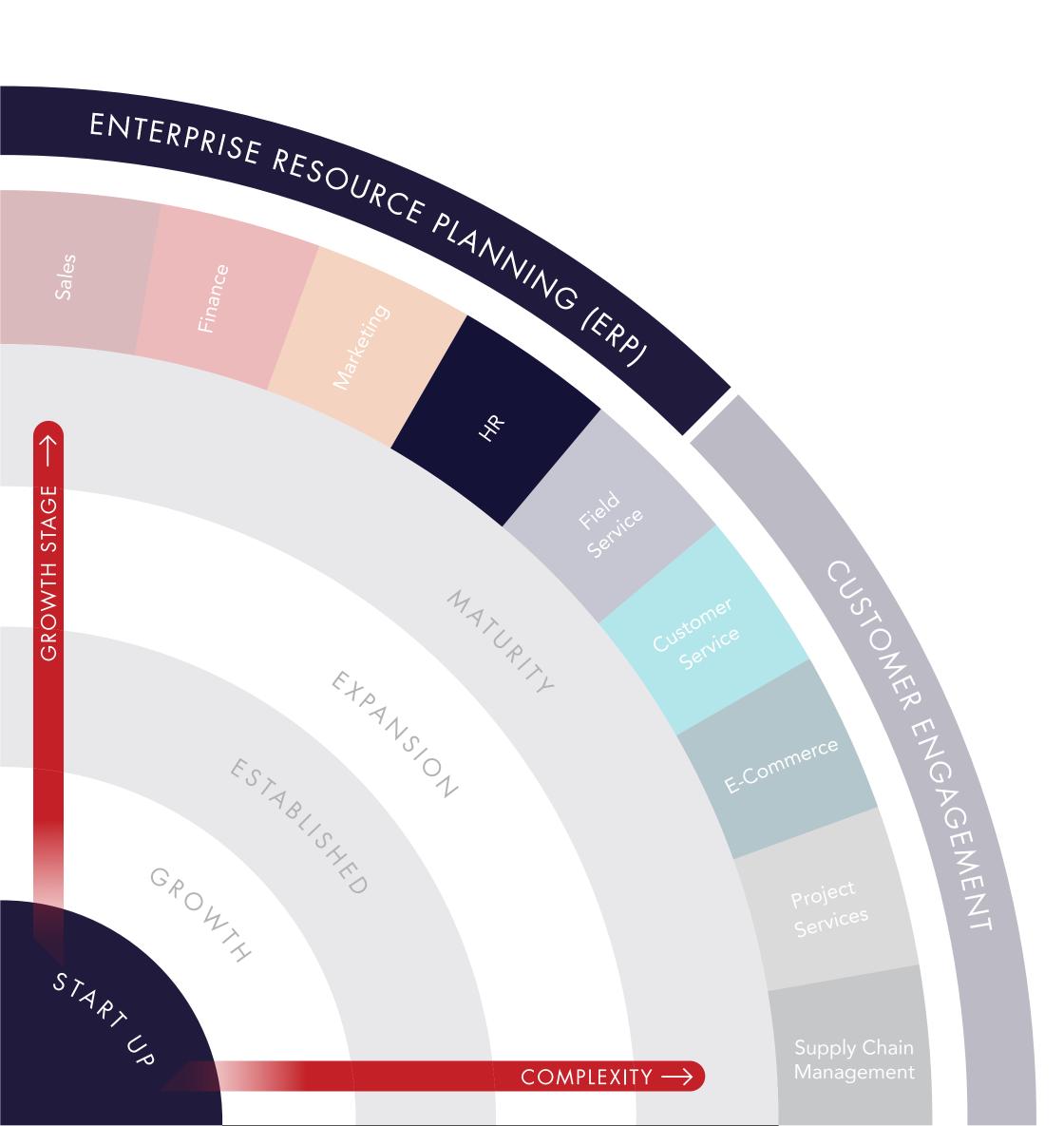
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Start up / Pain Point 4 / HR / Challenges



HR: START UP

PAIN POINTS

HR Managing employees on a range of different contracts

CHALLENGES

As a business grows, its HR processes and systems become increasingly complex. HR managers need to report on employees' wellbeing, learning and development, absences, annual leave, and much more.

That's on top of trying to make recruitment and onboarding more efficient, centralising core HR processes, and giving managers the tools and training they need to manage their team members.

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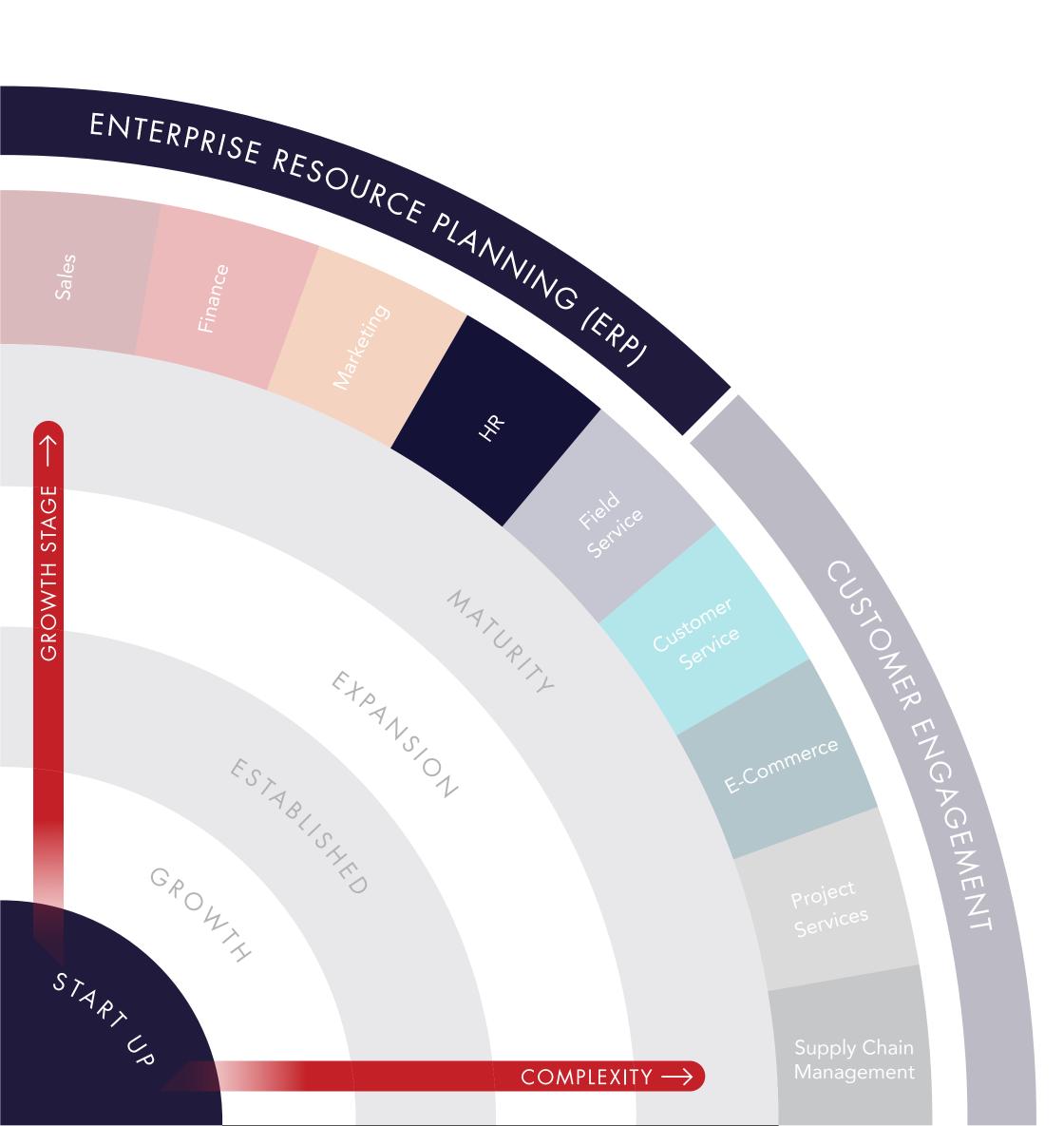
Dynamics helps deliver an HR solution that takes better care of your people, so they in turn can take better care of your business. It enables HR self-service for employees, provides a platform for training and certification, ensures security, privacy and compliance, and empowers managers to address concerns effectively.

At the same time, Dynamics can support HR teams to simplify reporting with rich dashboards, helping leaders make informed decisions. By identifying and engaging the right candidates, businesses can feel confident that they're bringing in the right people to support future growth.





Start up / Pain Point 4 / HR / Capabilities



HR: START UP

PAIN POINTS



HR Managing employees on a range of different contracts

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

People management Compensation management Compliance Leave and absence Benefits Learning and development Employee development Employee self-service

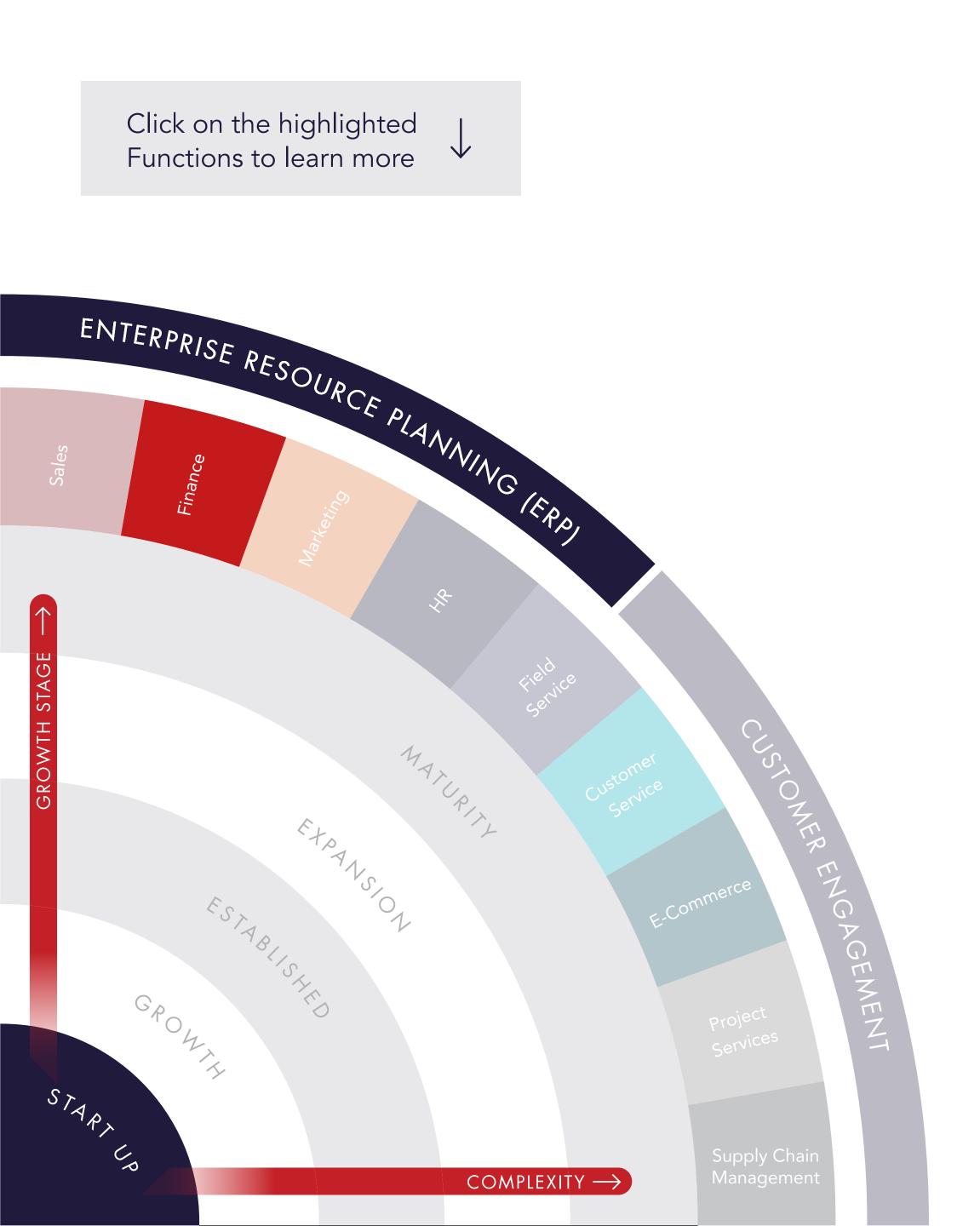
Hiring and offer management

Dynamics 365 Human Resources









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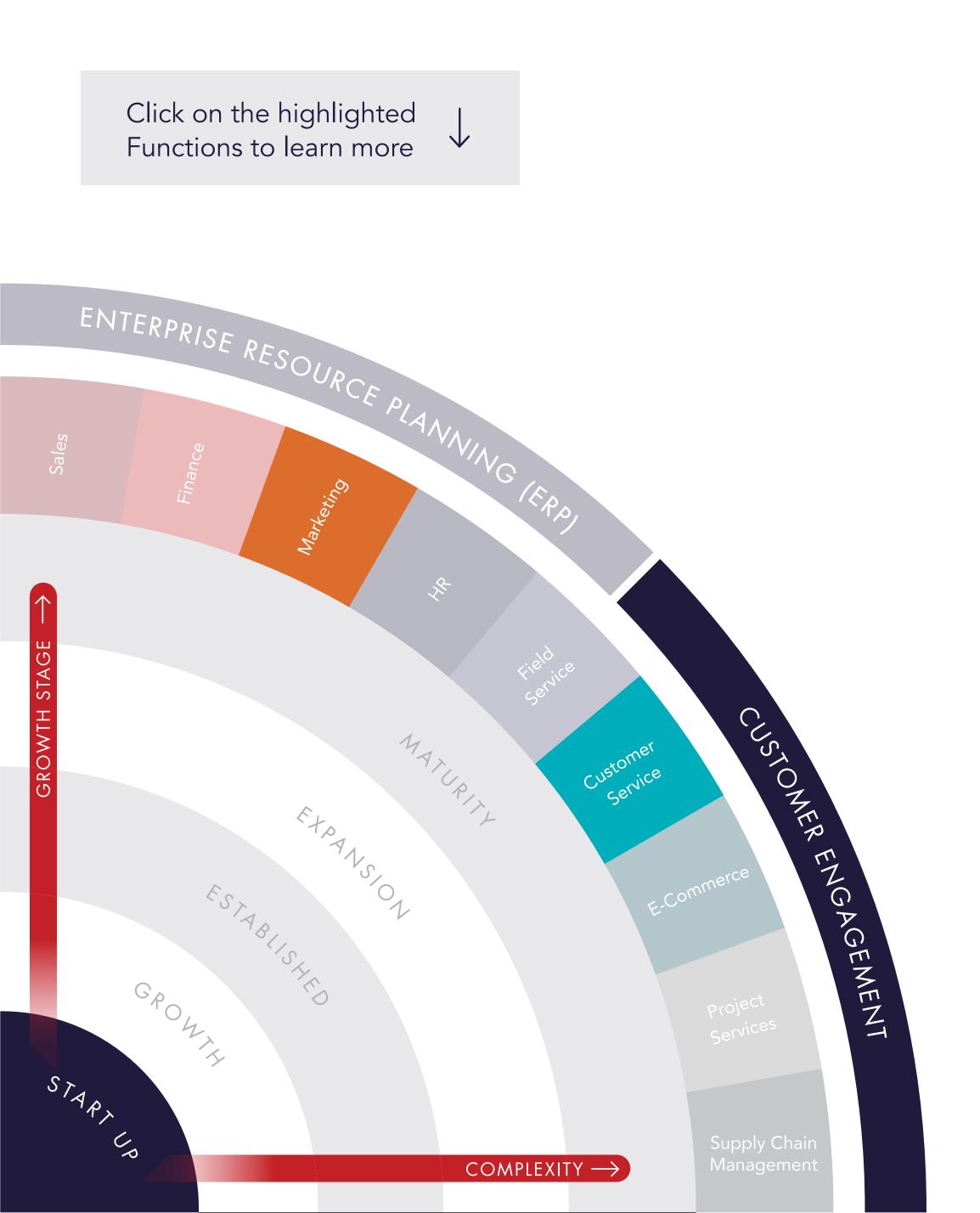
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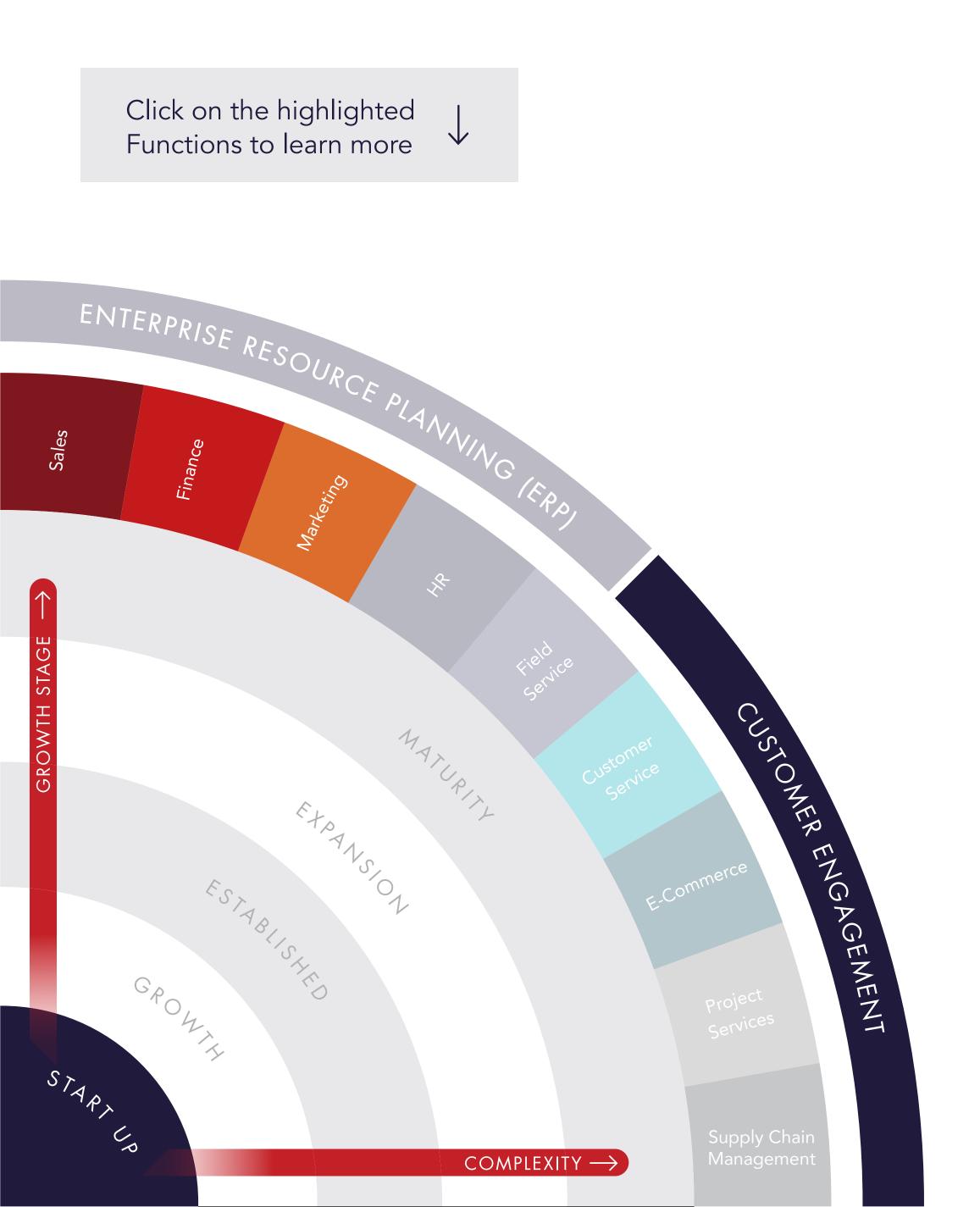
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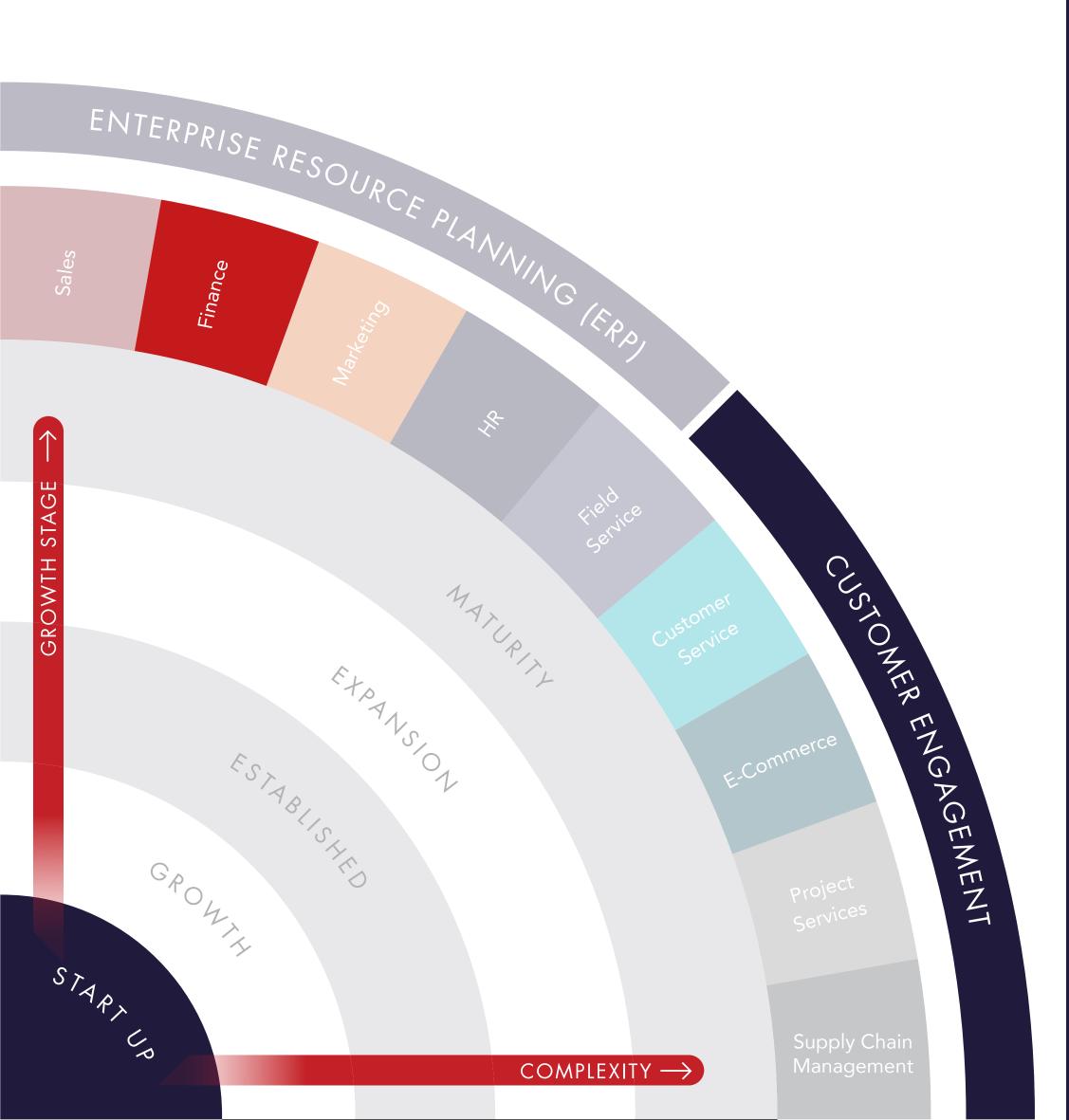
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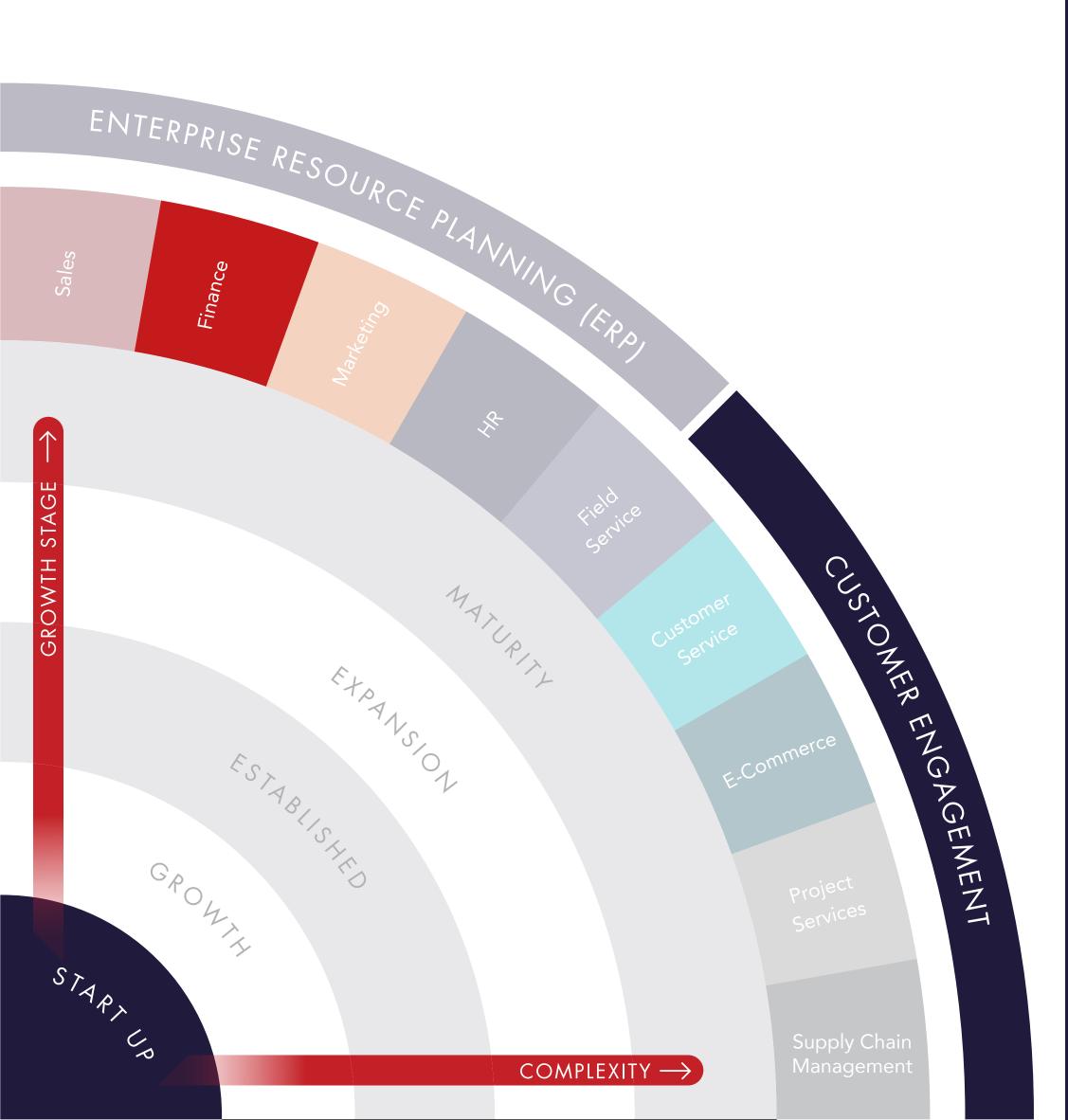








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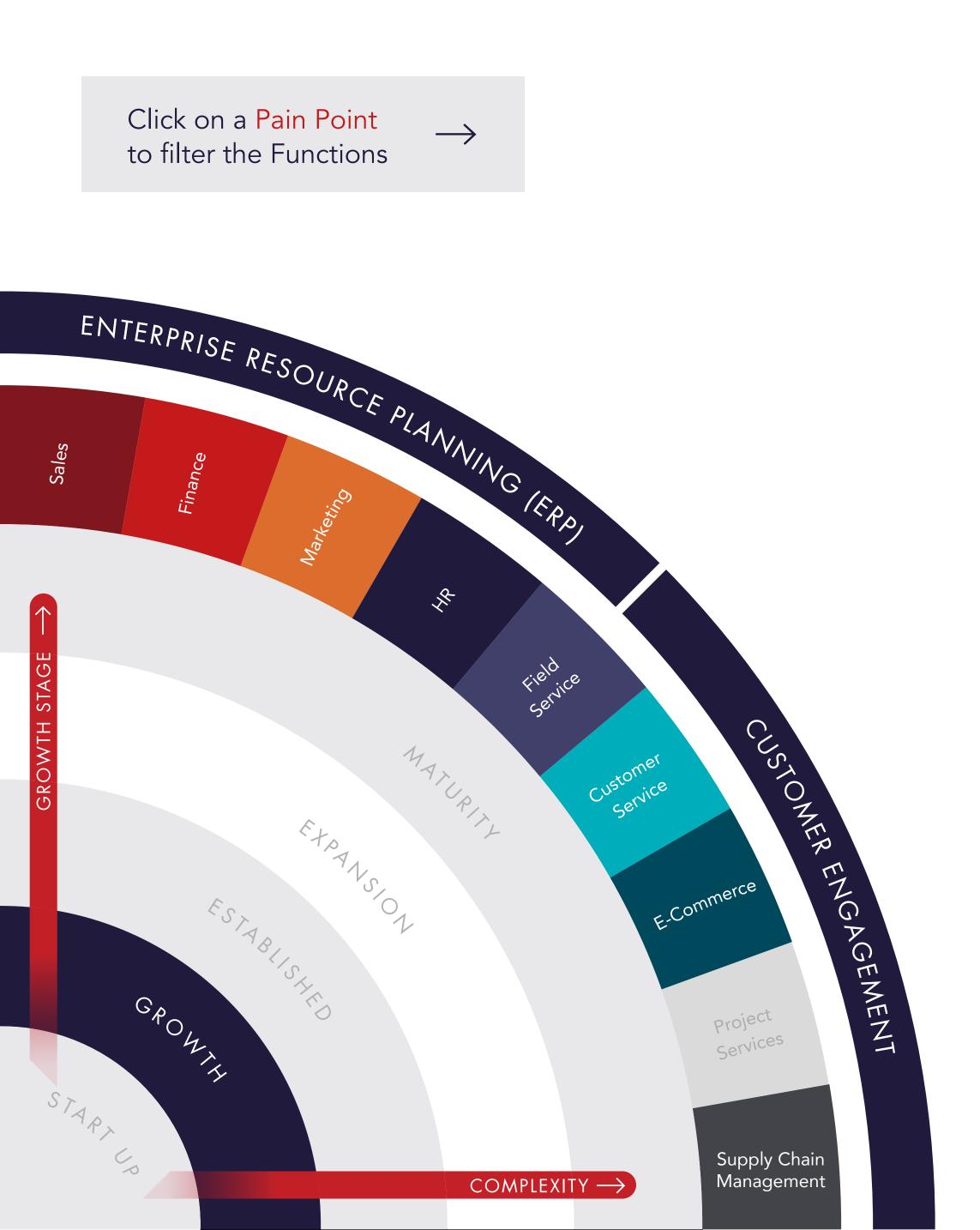
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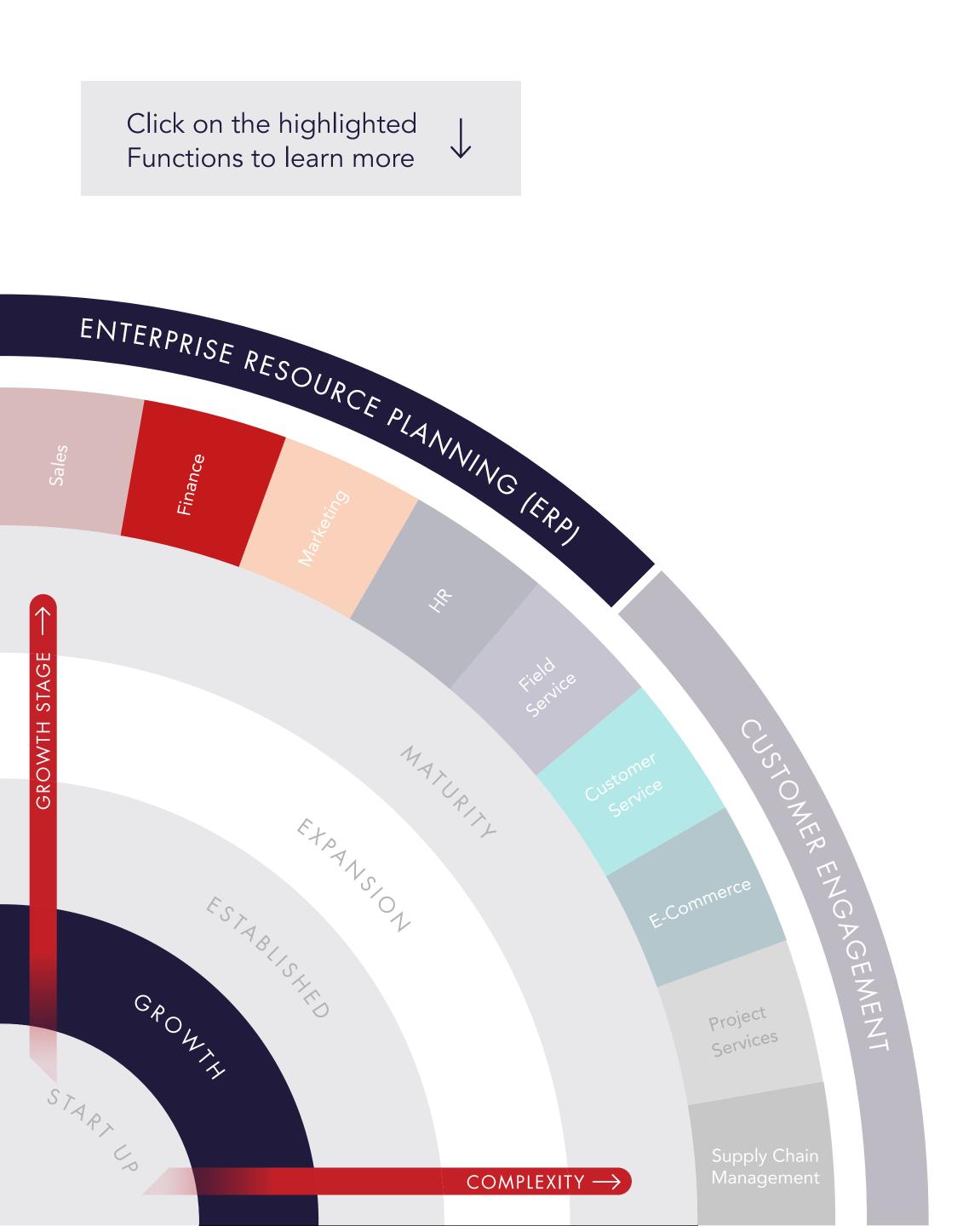
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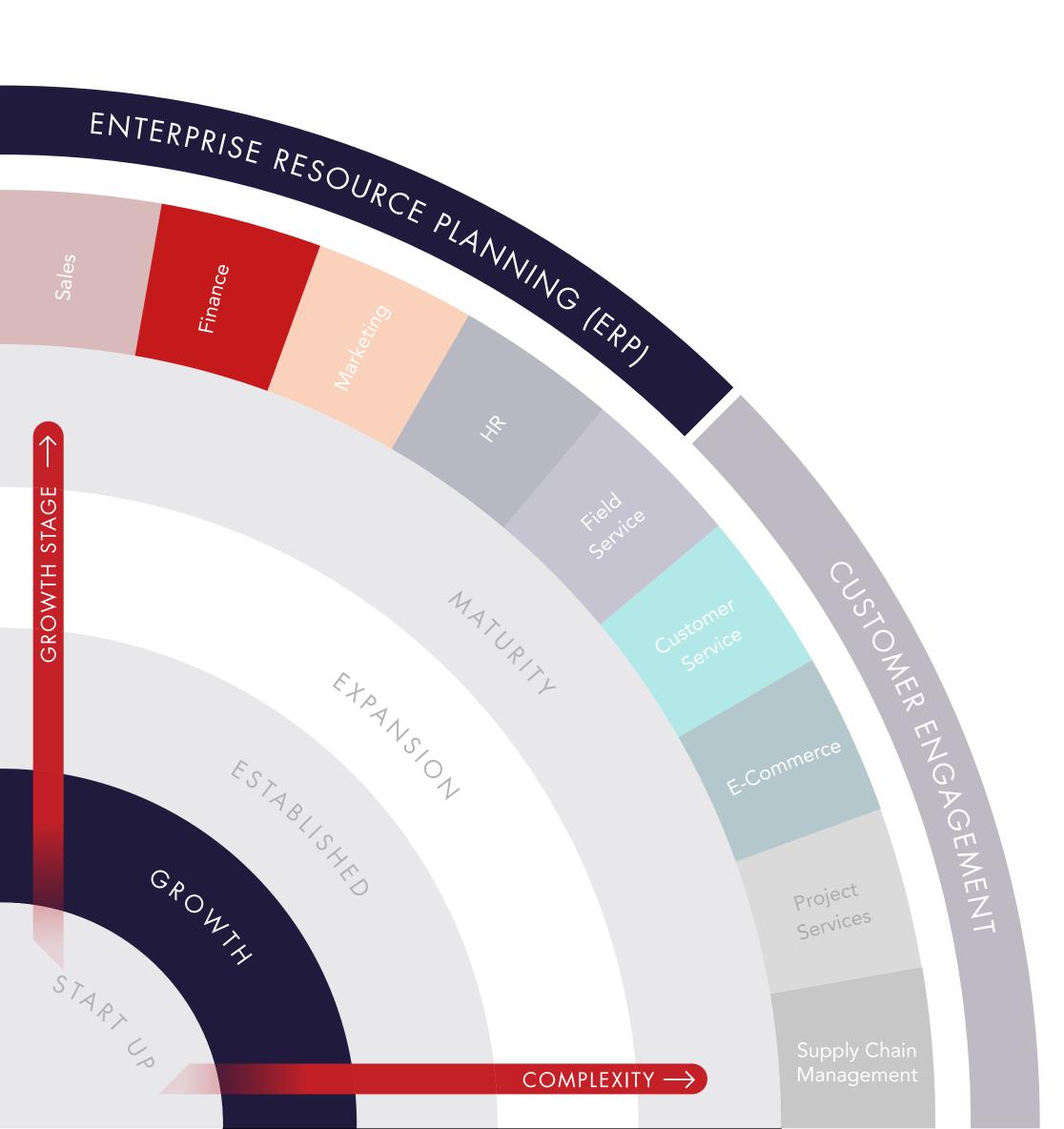


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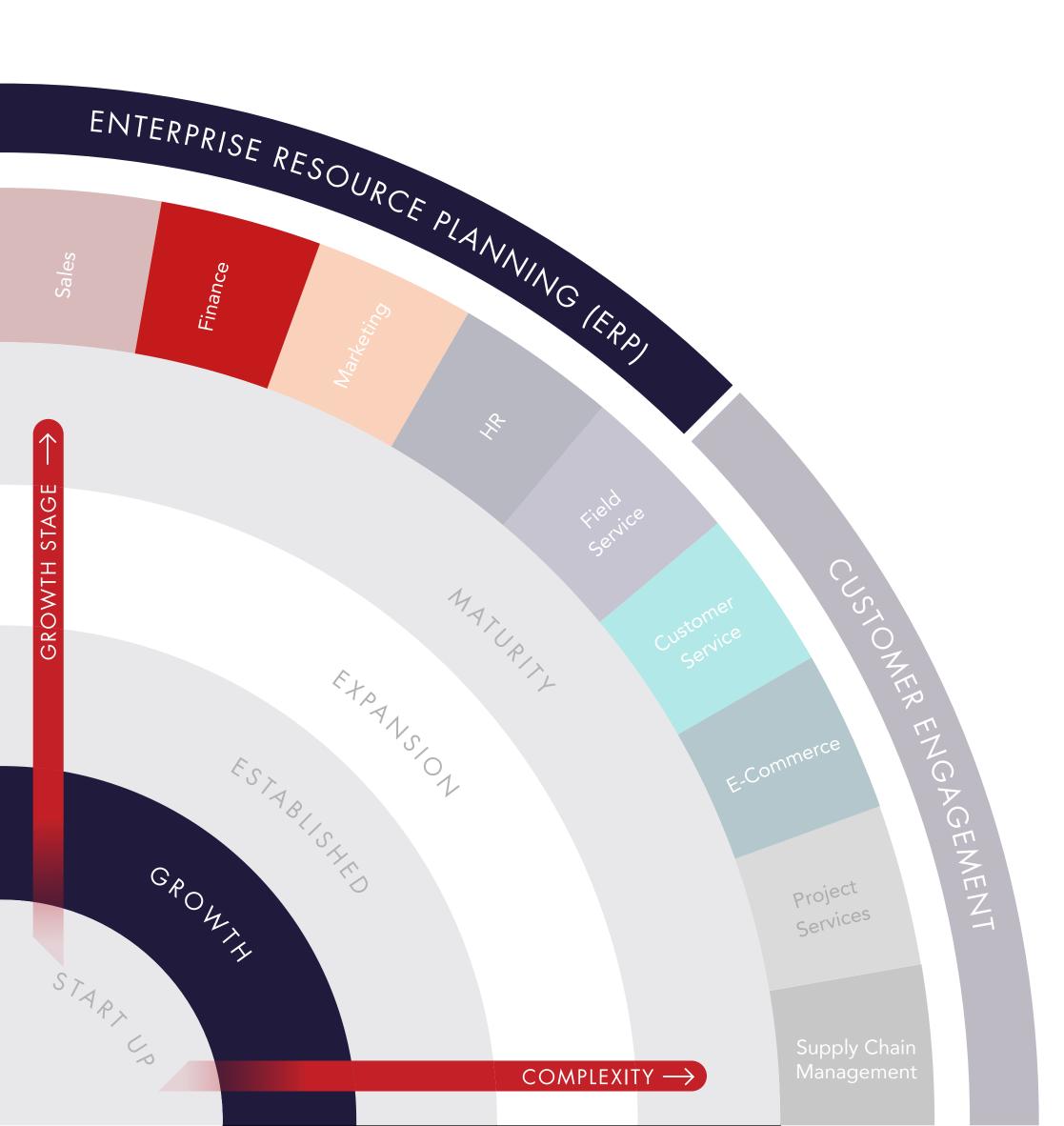


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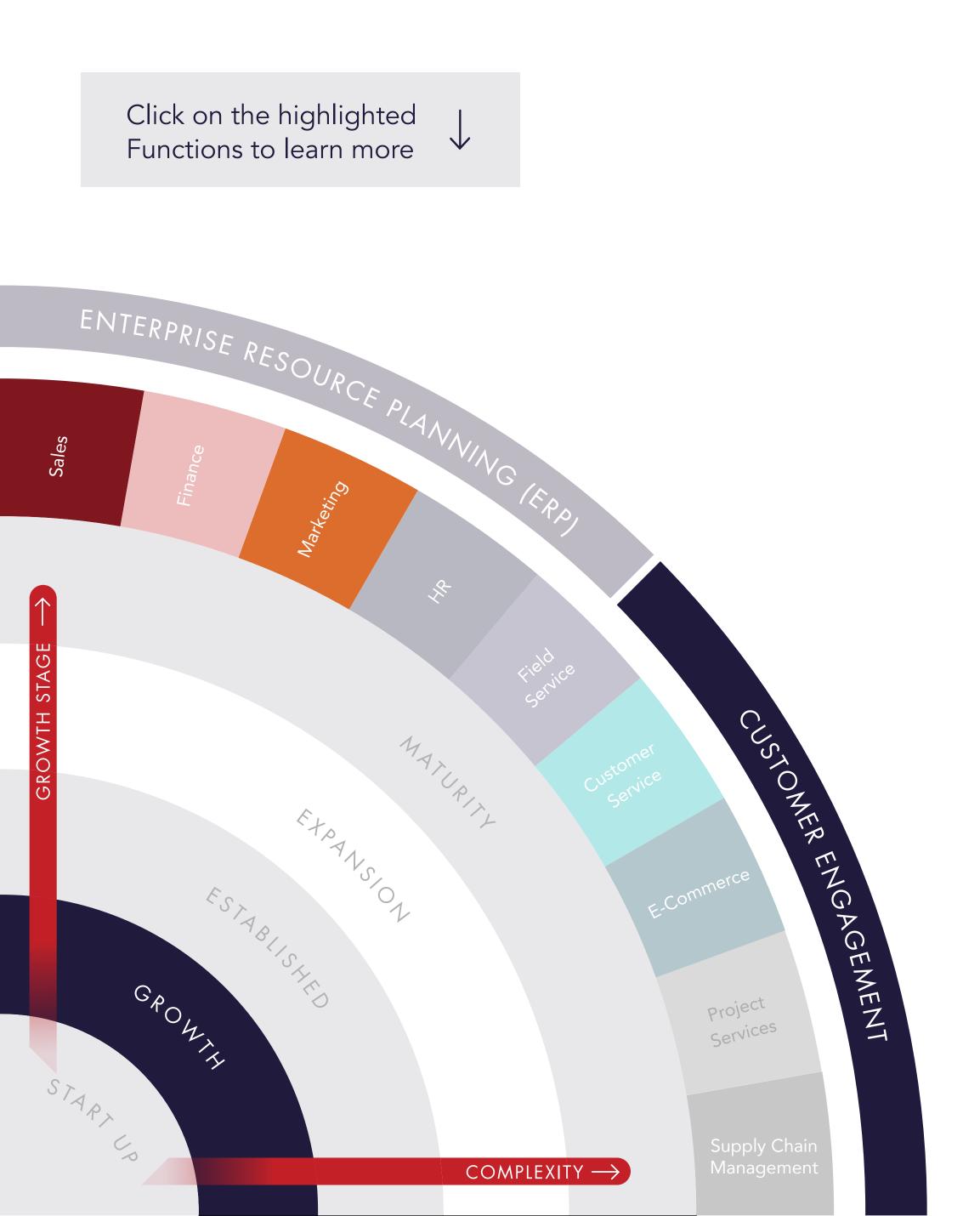
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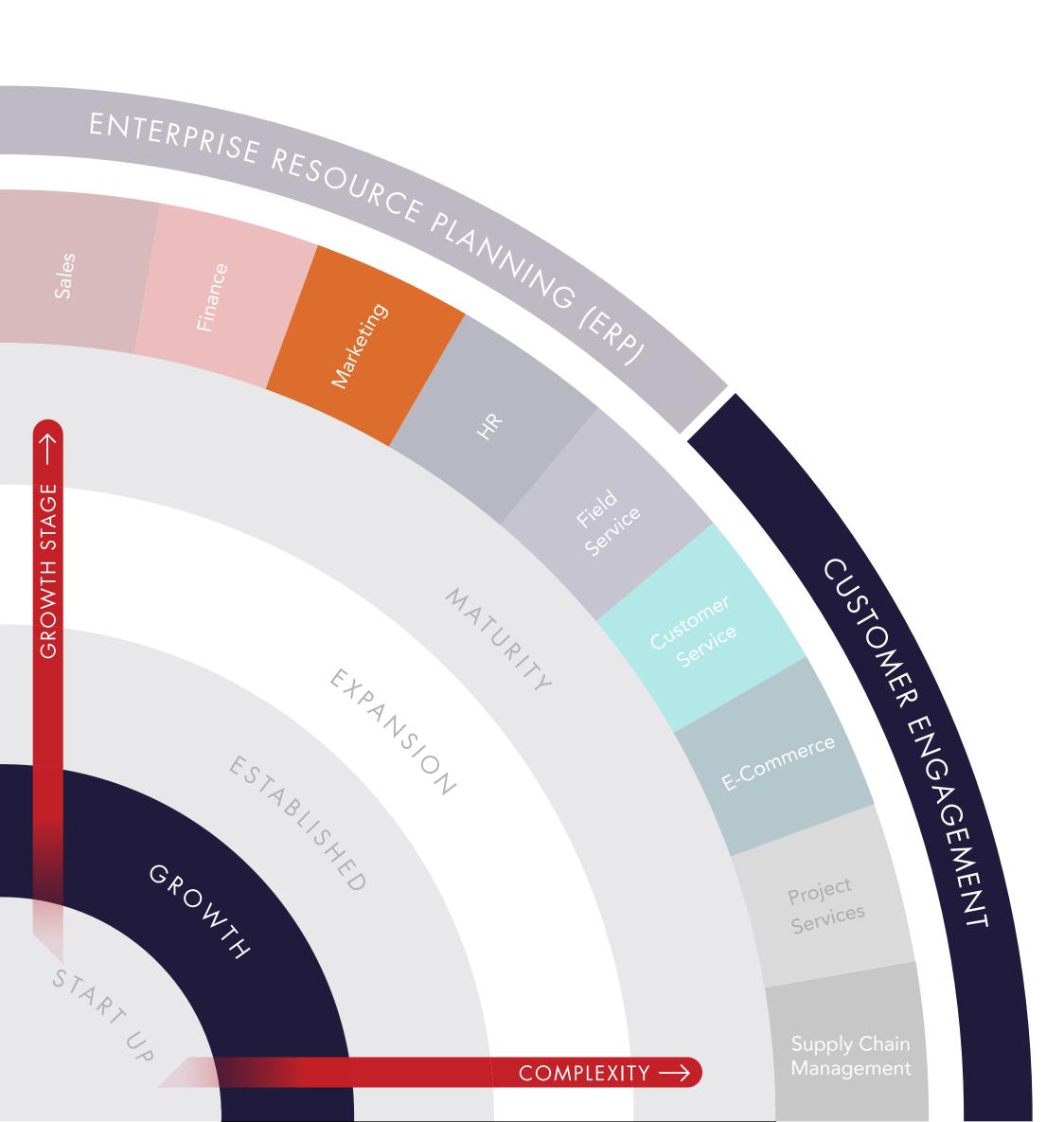


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Growth / Pain Point 2, 4 / Marketing / Challenges



MARKETING: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



Marketing

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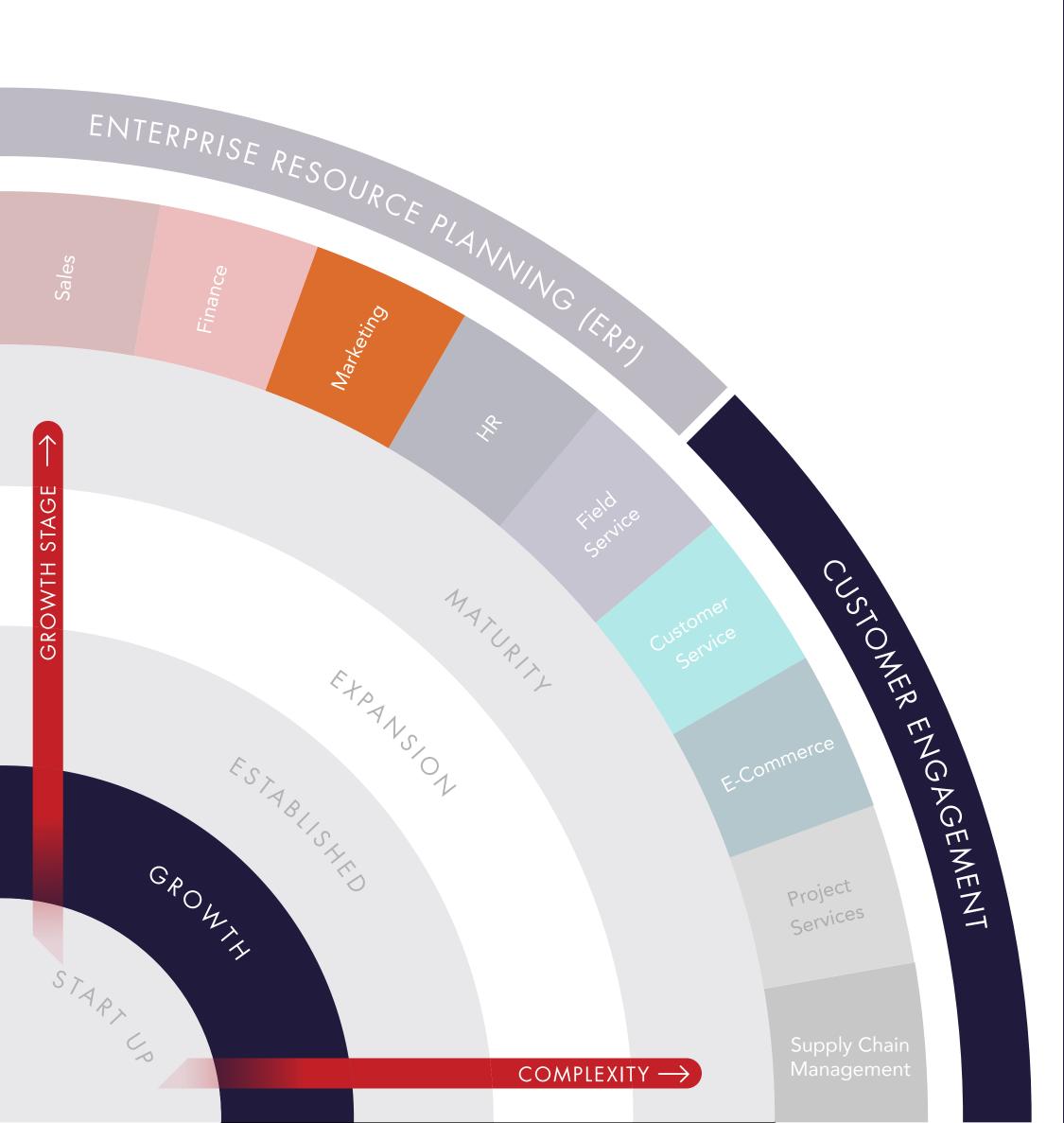
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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Email marketing

Lead scoring

Market segmentation

Customer journeys

Event management

Connector for LinkedIn

Lead generation forms

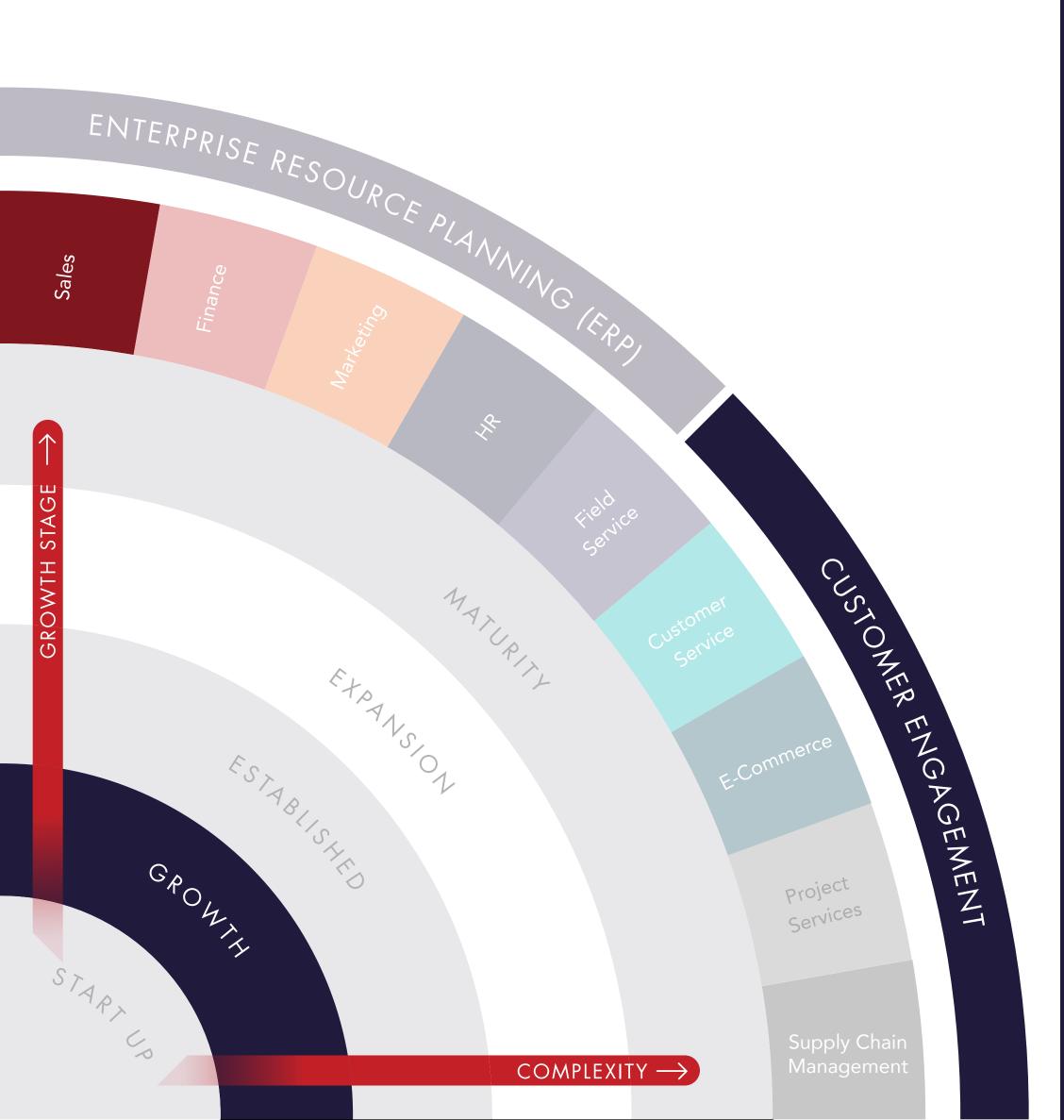
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Growth / Pain Point 2, 4 / Sales / Challenges



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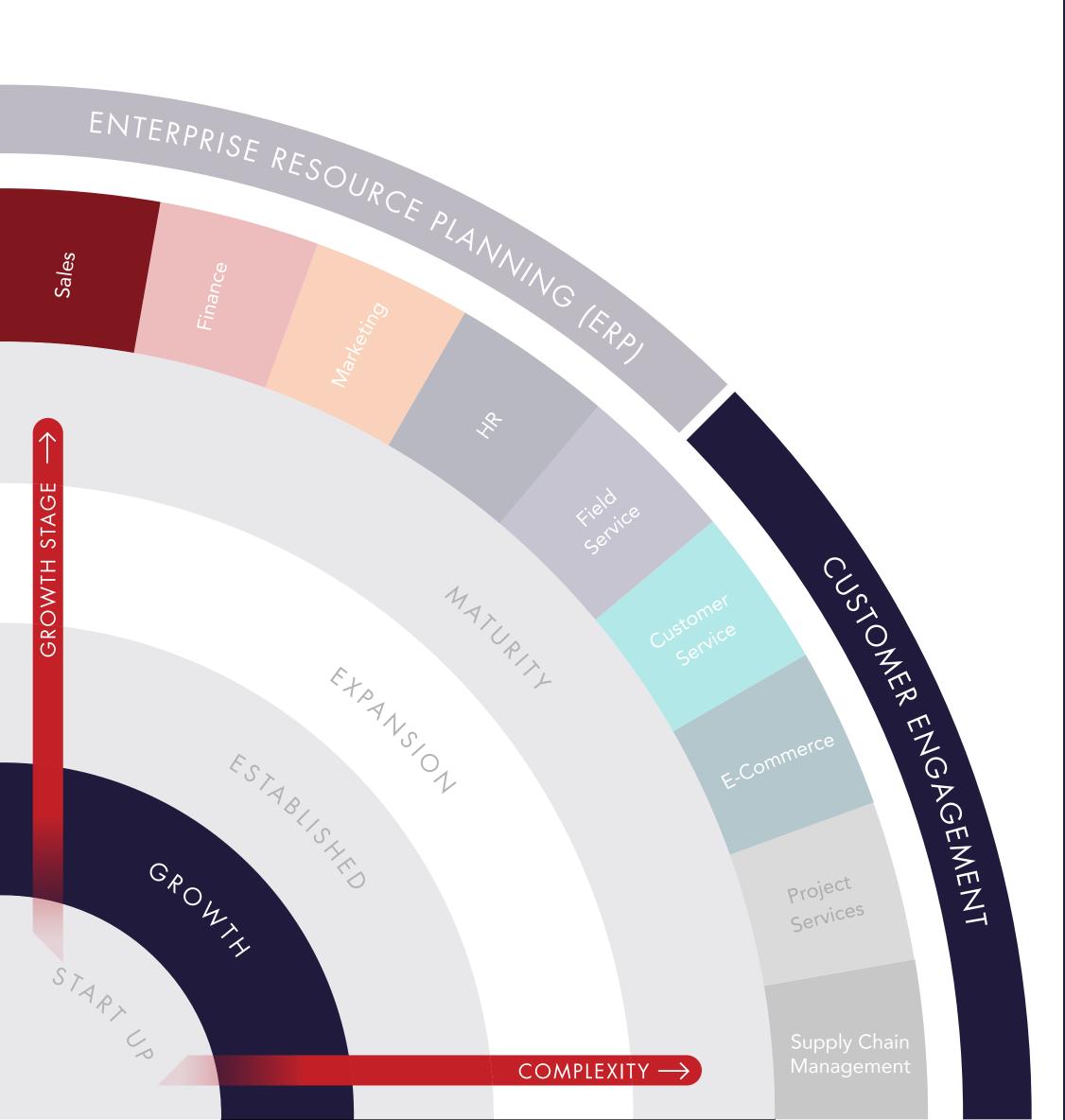
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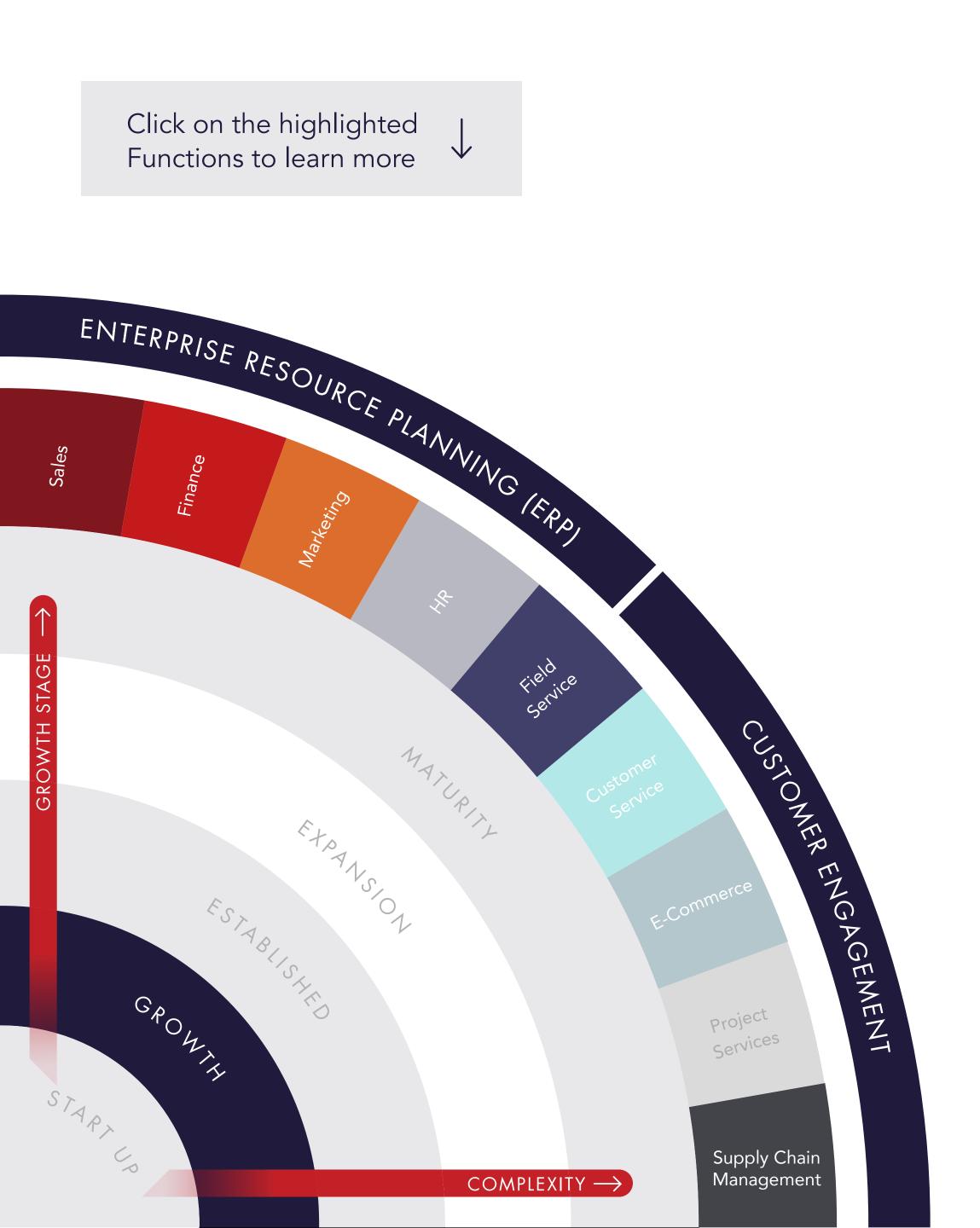
- Lead management
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- Pipeline forecasting
- Sales automation
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- Marketing lists
- Email marketing

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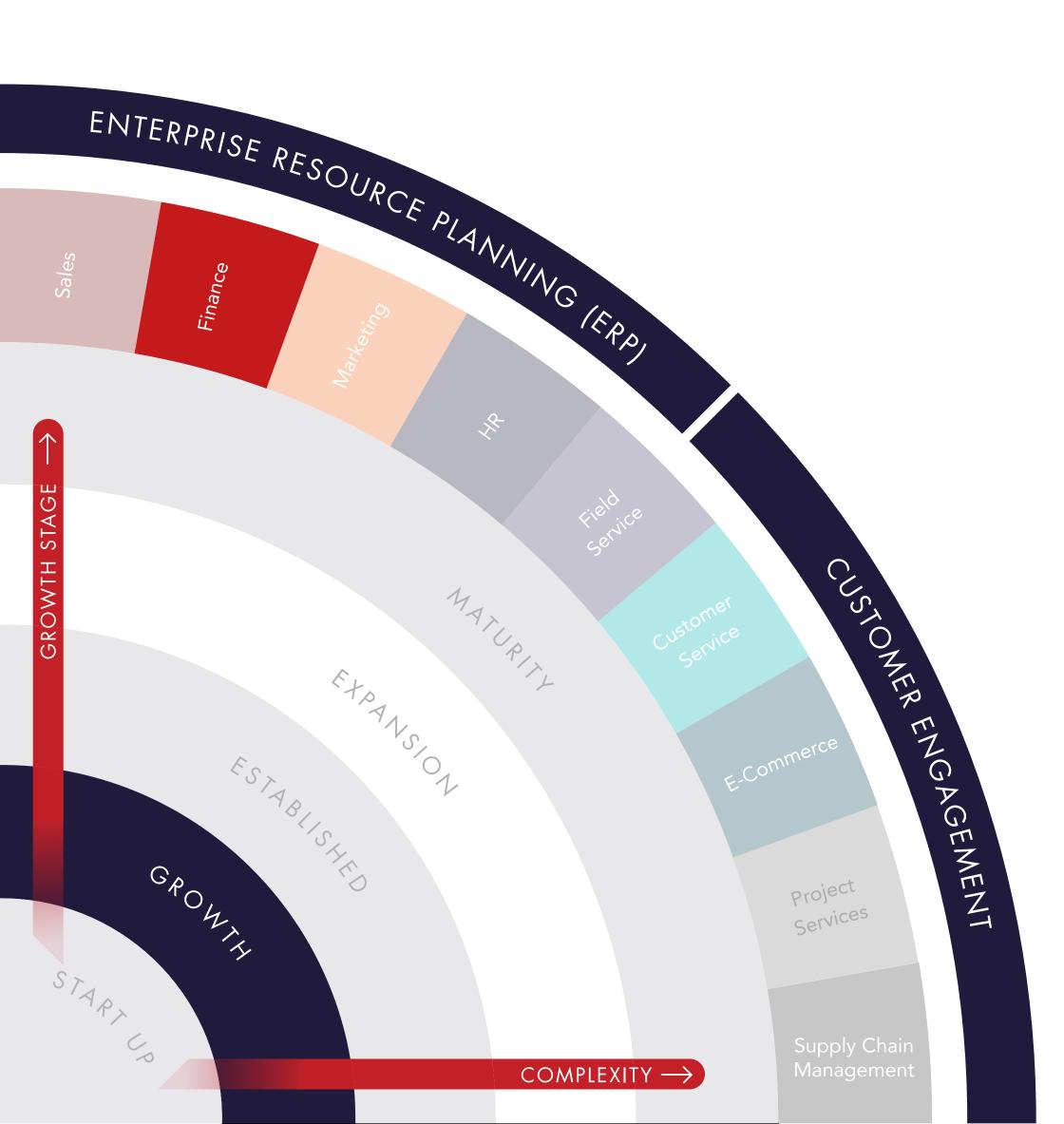
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Growth / Pain Point 3 / Finance / Challenges



FINANCE: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS

Finance

Inability to forecast demand to sustain business growth

CHALLENGES

Many finance teams still struggle with timeconsuming tasks, sometimes having to integrate lots of different databases manually – even for basic processes like billing. It's difficult to share information across departments for order processing, which results in longer lead times. And despite the wealth of financial data available, they might not have the reporting tools to get a look at the bigger picture for the business – which can hamper strategic decision-making.

This can be even harder if your clients offer subscription-based services rather than discrete products; managing subscriptions is a drain on finance teams' time if they don't have automation or digital tools at hand.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

Dynamics can help finance teams maximise their profitability and automate financial operations to make their lives much easier and help them focus on more strategic work. It allows them to monitor performance in real time, predict future outcomes and make decisions to drive business growth.

Intelligent data insights can offer predictive recommendations, to increase profit and cashflow, while Dynamics also makes it easier to cut operational costs with process automation and more efficient financial planning.

And for clients with subscription services, automated recurring billing through Dynamics saves time and effort for the finance team.

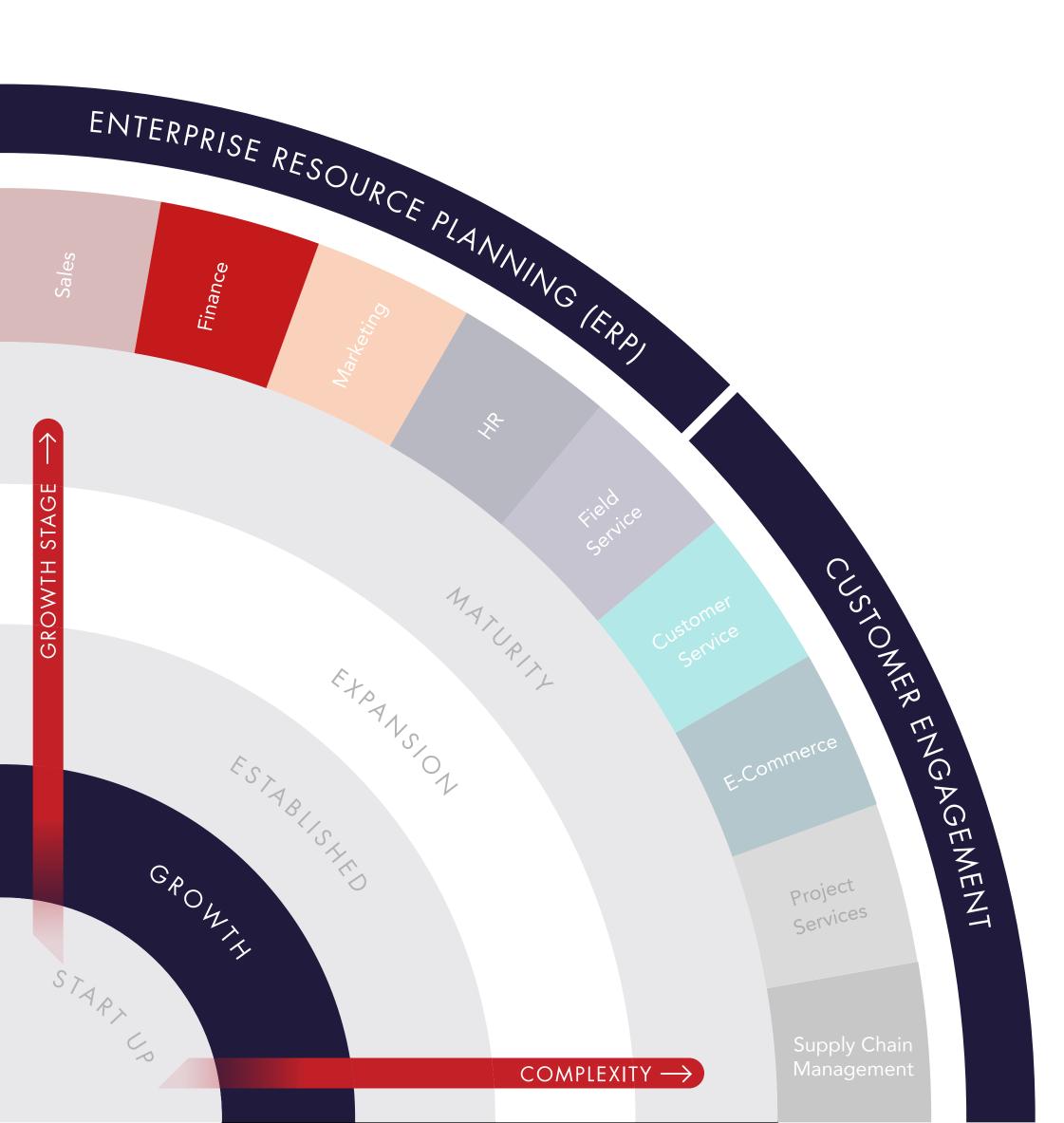








Growth / Pain Point 3 / Finance / Capabilities



FINANCE: GROWTH

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Finance Inability to forecast demand to sustain business growth

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Budgeting Accounts receivable Accounts payable Treasury External compliance certification Risk decisioning dashboard Fixed assets Finance management

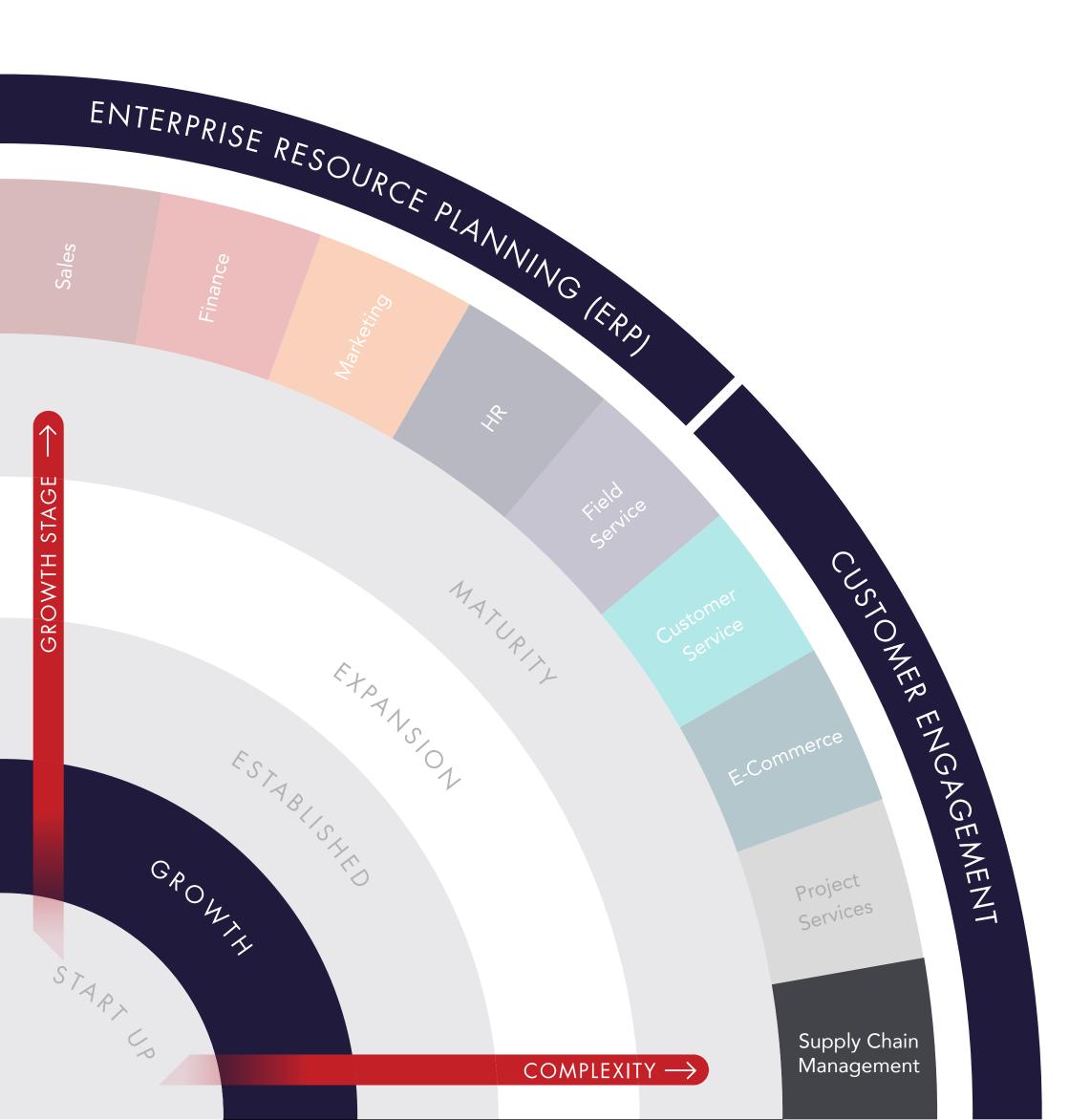
Dynamics 365 for Finance







Growth / Pain Point 3 / Supply Chain Management / Challenges



SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS

Supply Chain Management Inability to forecast demand to sustain business growth

CHALLENGES

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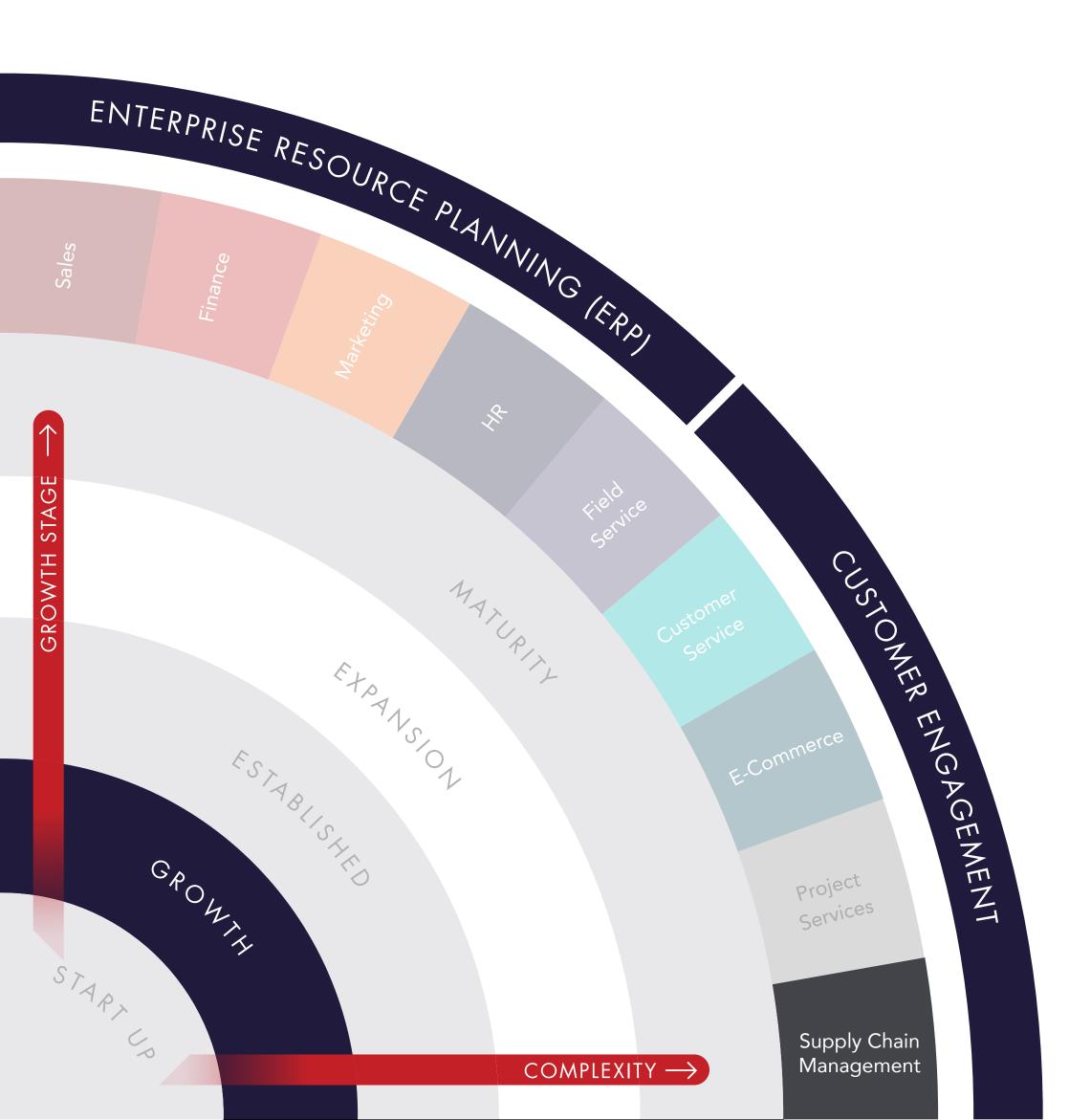
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Growth / Pain Point 3 / Supply Chain Management / Capabilities



SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



Supply Chain Management Inability to forecast demand to sustain business growth

CAPABILITIES

Asset management

Inventory management

Production central

Procurement and sourcing

Transportation

Warehouse management

Fleet management

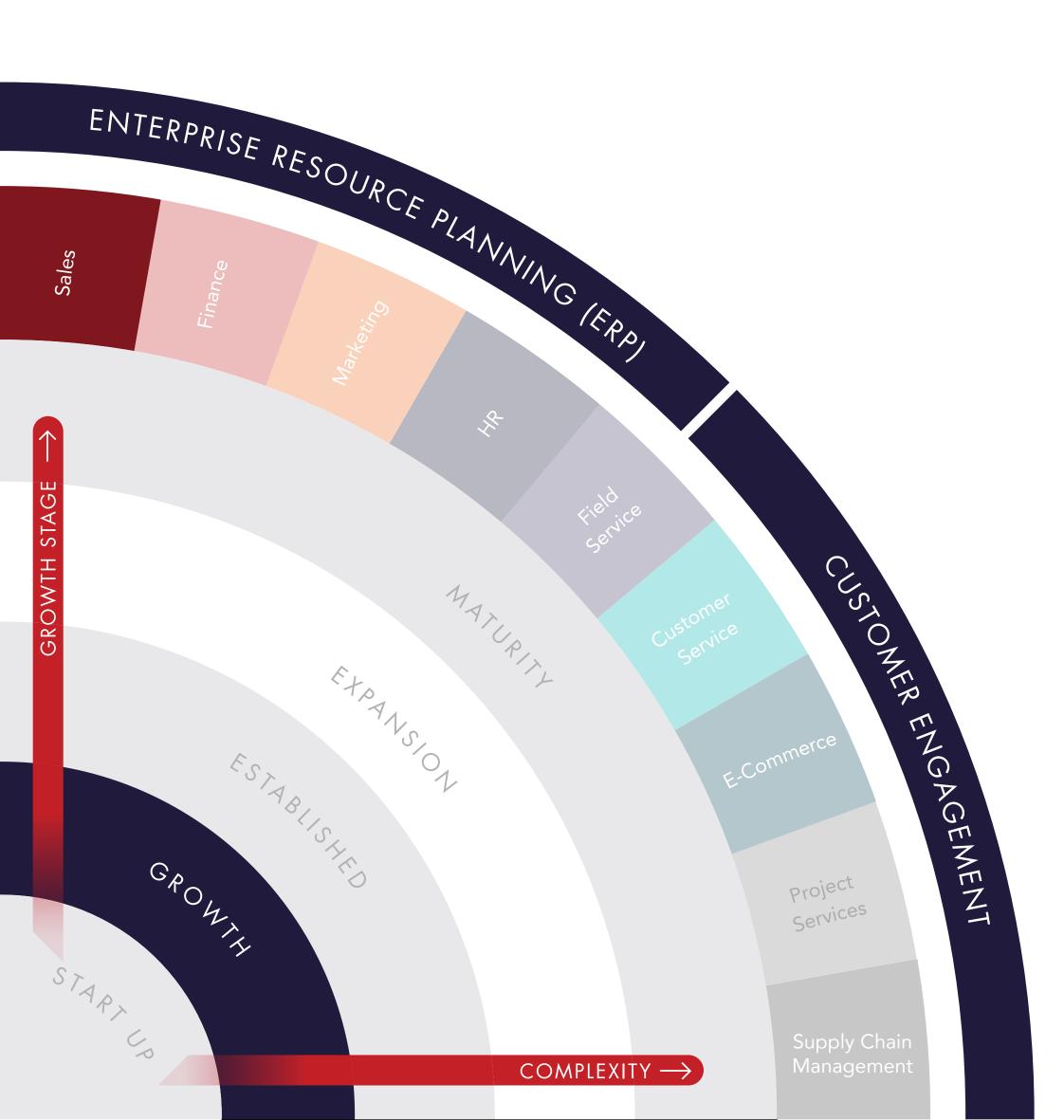
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Growth / Pain Point 3 / Sales / Challenges



SALES: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



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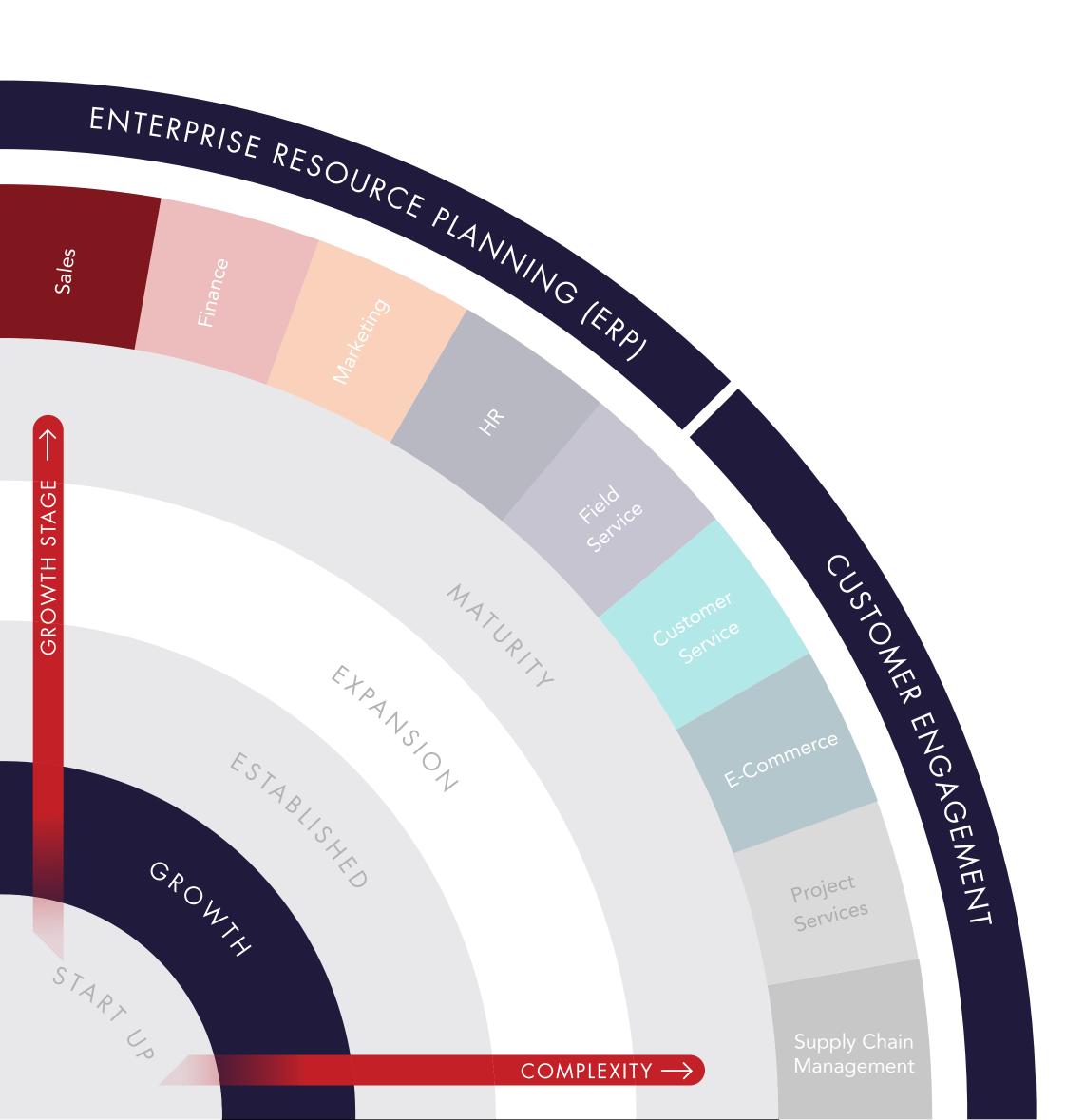
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SALES: GROWTH

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Sales Inability to forecast

demand to sustain business growth

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Lead management

Opportunity management

Pipeline forecasting

Sales automation

Quote management

Marketing lists

Email marketing

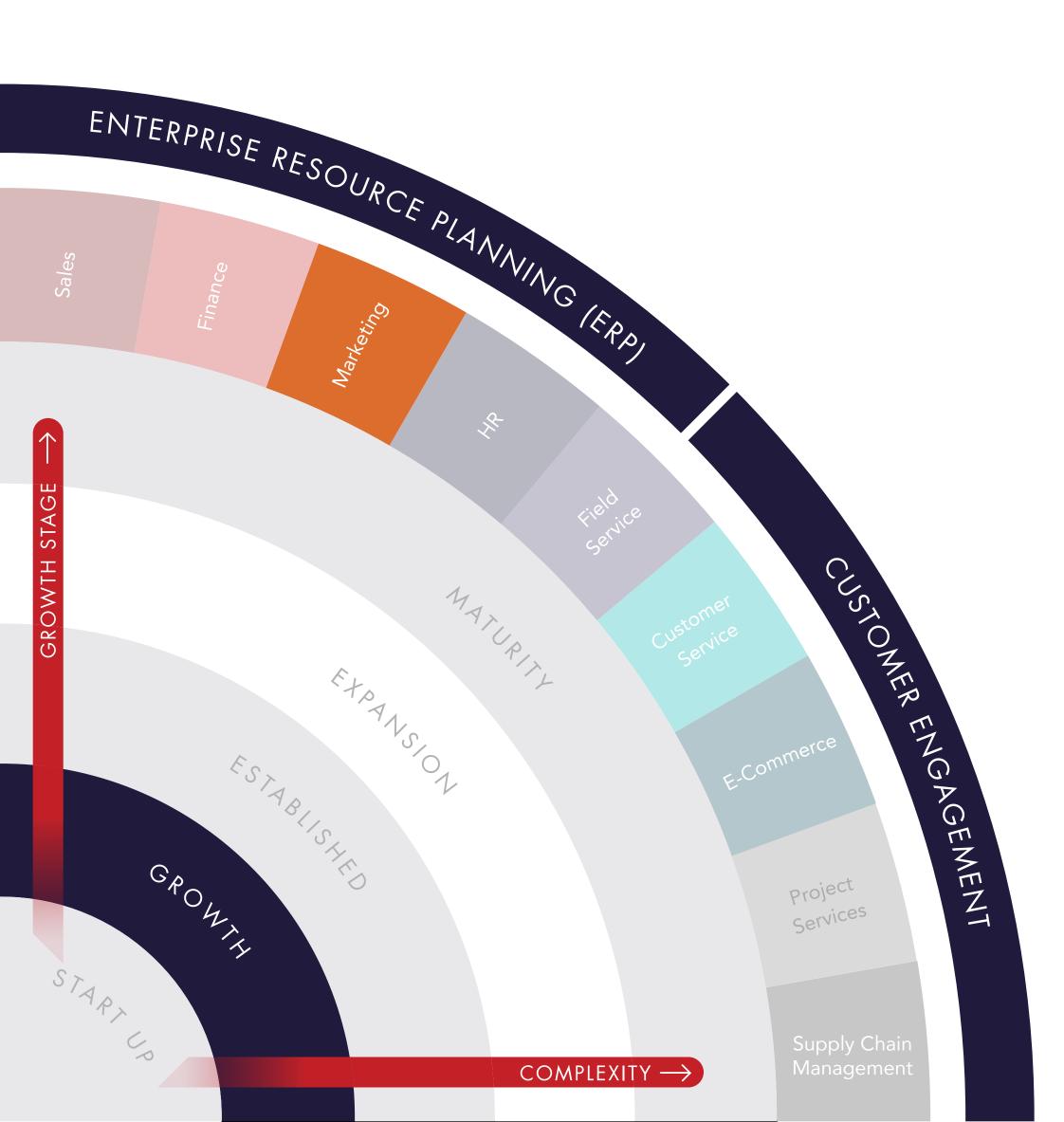
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Growth / Pain Point 3 / Marketing / Challenges



MARKETING: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



Marketing Inability to forecast

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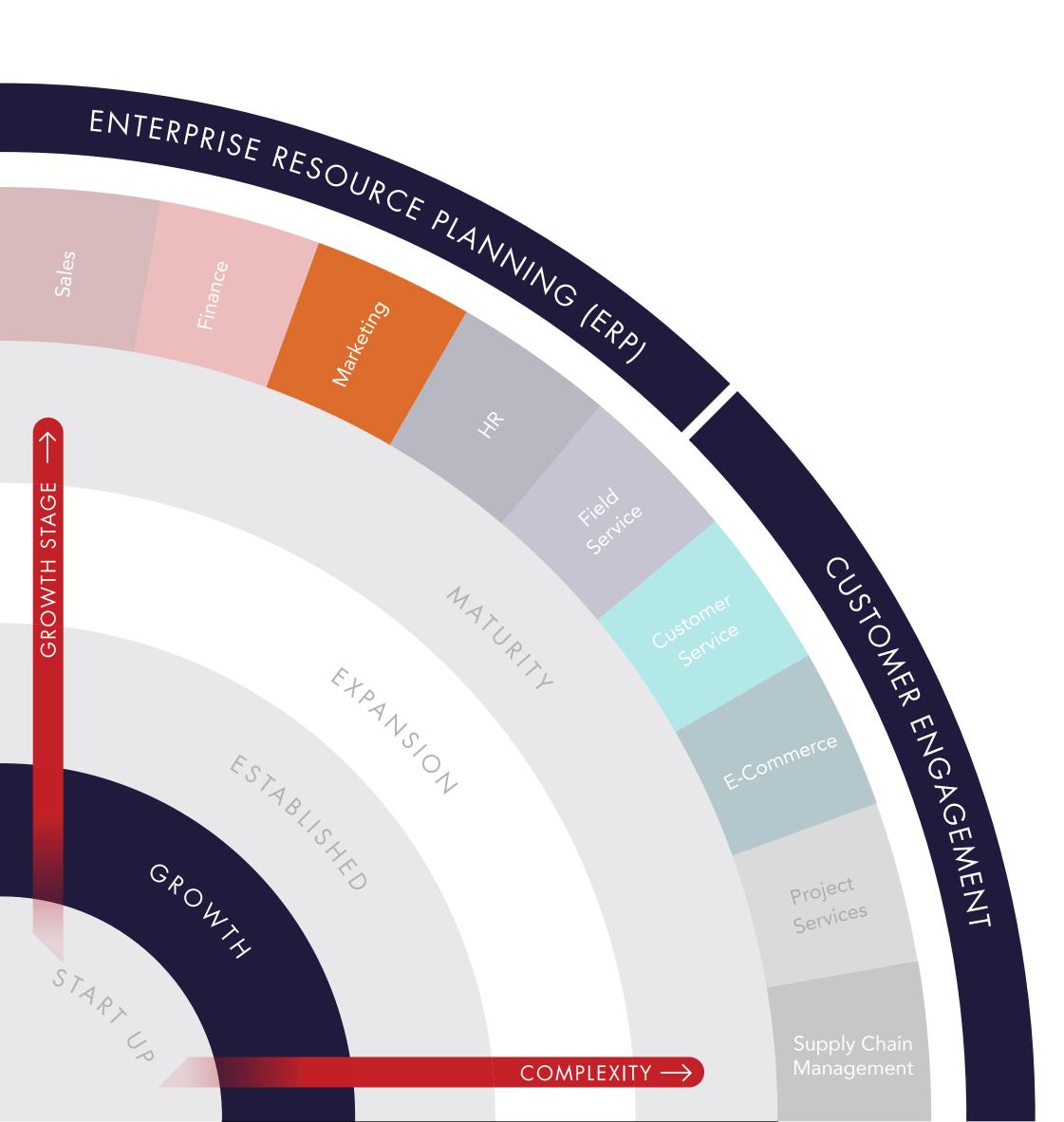
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Growth / Pain Point 3 / Marketing / Capabilities



MARKETING: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



Marketing Inability to forecast demand to sustain business growth

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Email marketing

Lead scoring

Market segmentation

Customer journeys

Event management

Connector for LinkedIn

Lead generation forms

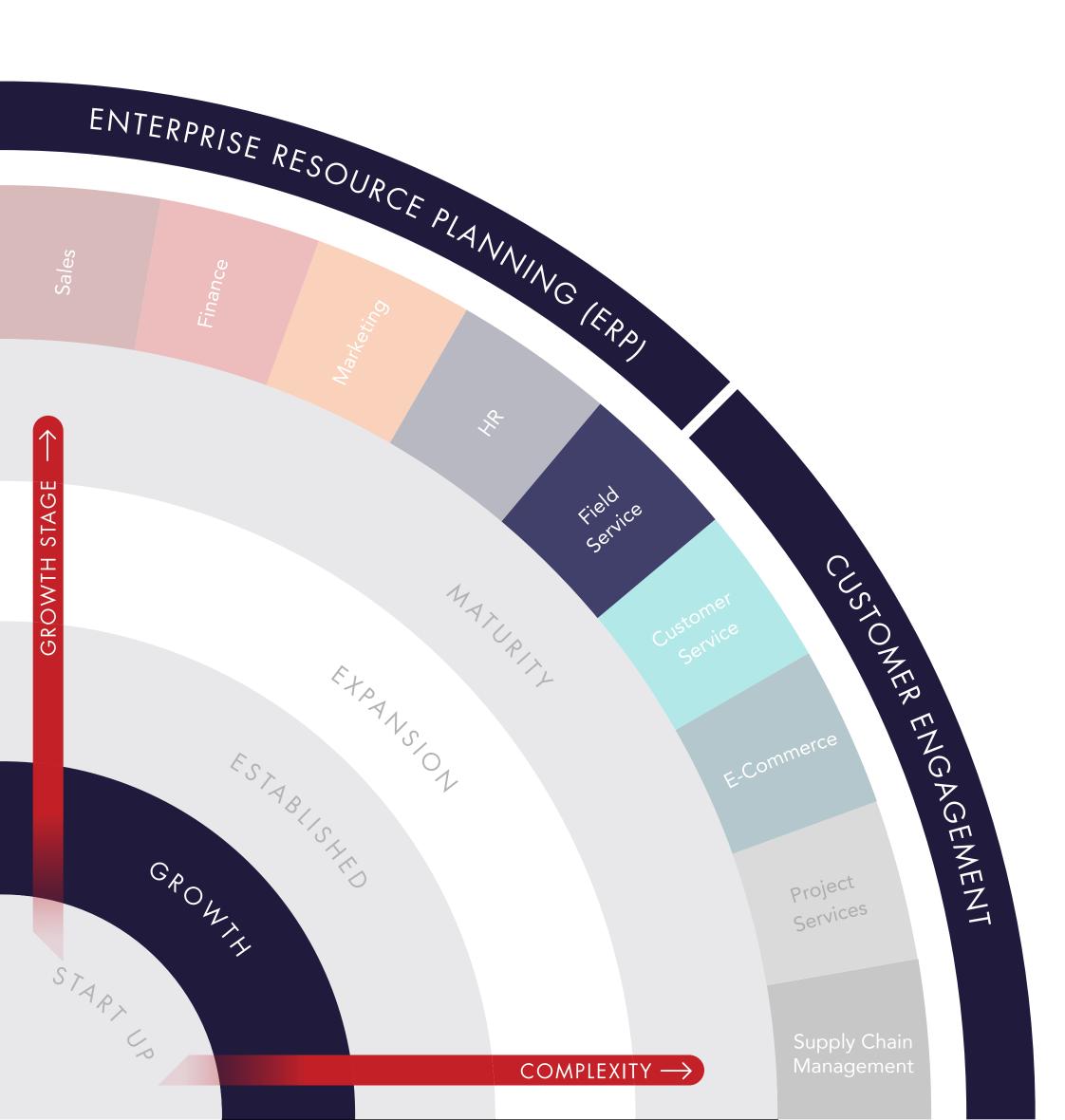
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Growth / Pain Point 3 / Field Service / Challenges



FIELD SERVICE: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS

Field Service Inability to forecast demand to sustain business growth

CHALLENGES

When you're out solving customer issues in the field, you need the information and the flexibility to come up with solutions on the fly. Many teams don't have access to the right tools to support technicians, or effective customer insight collection systems, and that makes it very difficult to prioritise faults or offer a triage service. Agents are forced to be reactive, rather than proactively finding fixes in advance.

Without accurate, real-time data, co-ordinators can also struggle to schedule field agents with the right skillsets at the right times, and customers don't always receive appropriate levels of communication throughout the process. All of this can have a negative impact on customer experiences.

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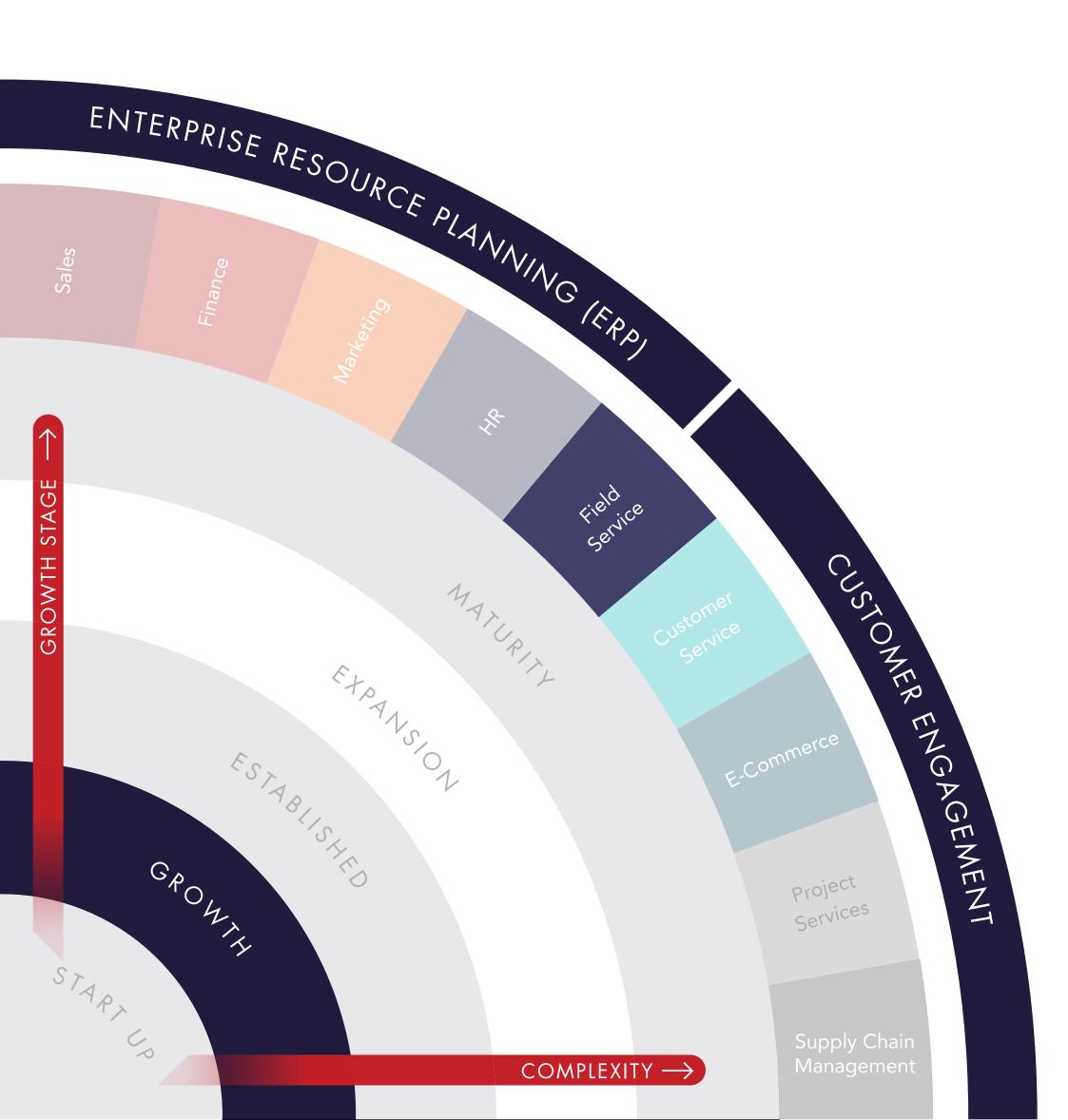
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Rather than finger-in-the-air prioritisation, it's much easier for technicians and coordinators to prioritise and be proactive, so that customer issues are fixed first time. Which all leads to happier customers and more efficient operations.





Growth / Pain Point 3 / Field Service / Capabilities



FIELD SERVICE: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



Field Service Inability to forecast demand to sustain business growth

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Work orders Service agreements Schedule and dispatch Schedule board Inventory management

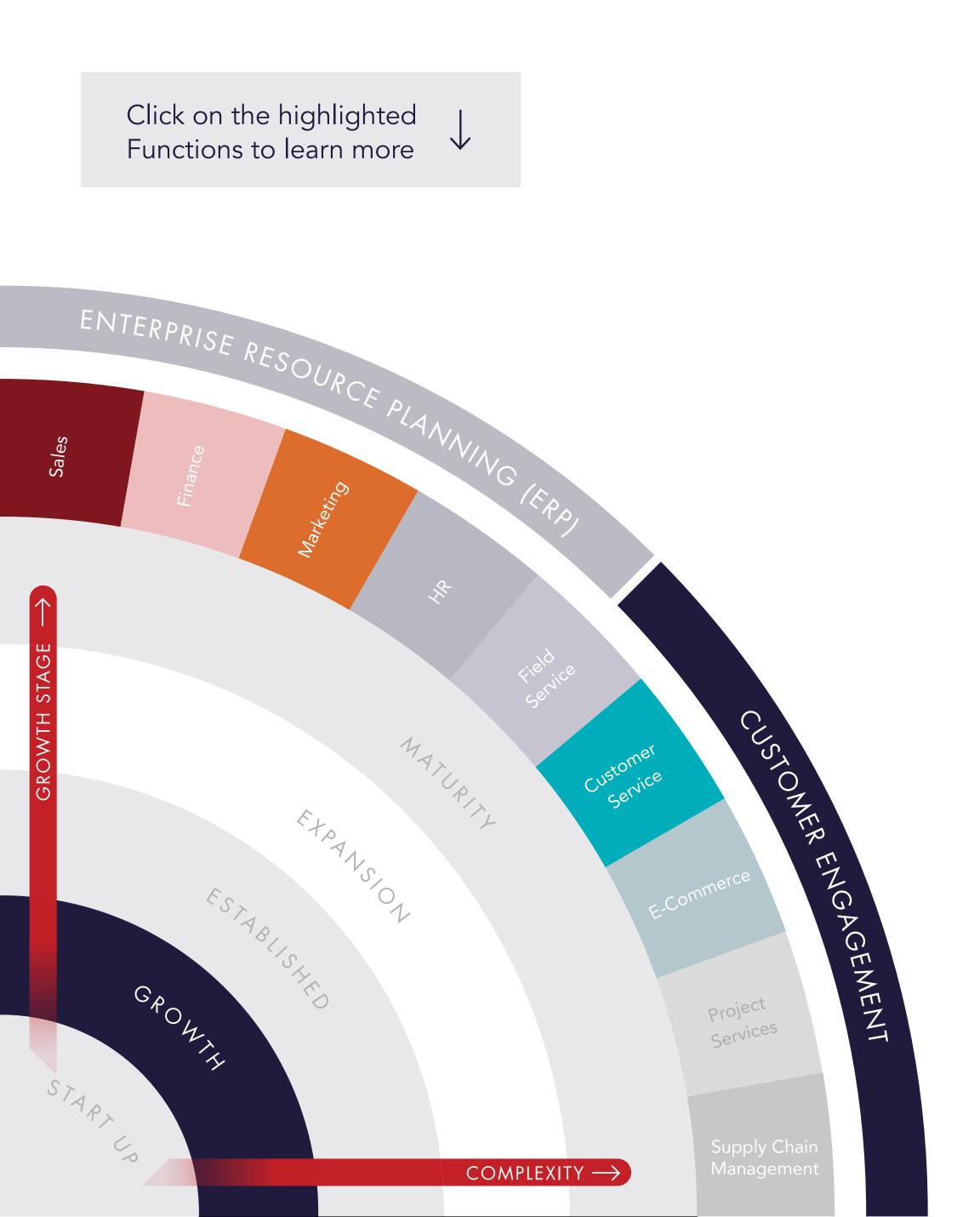
Mobile productivity

Connected devices

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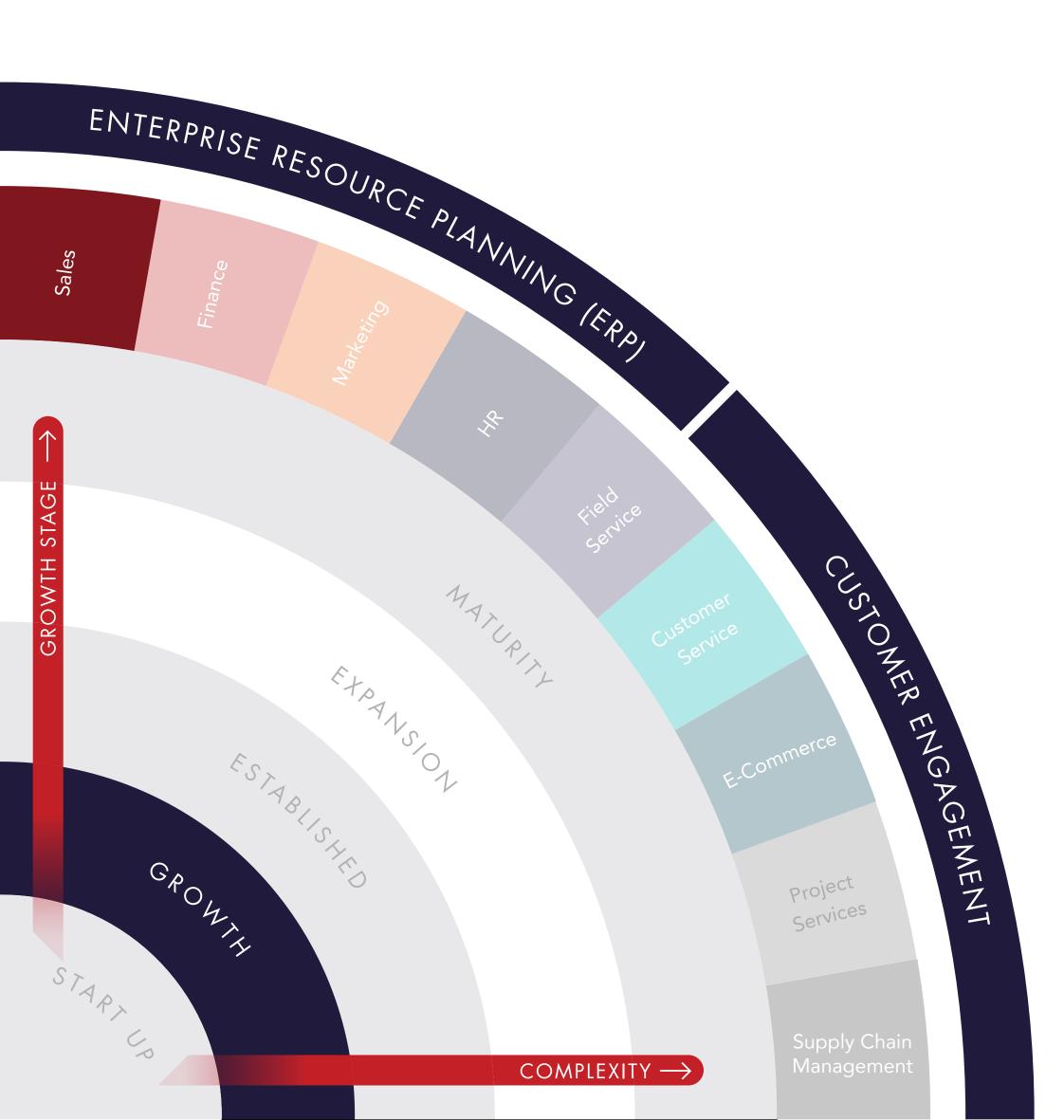
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Growth / Pain Point 4 / Sales / Challenges



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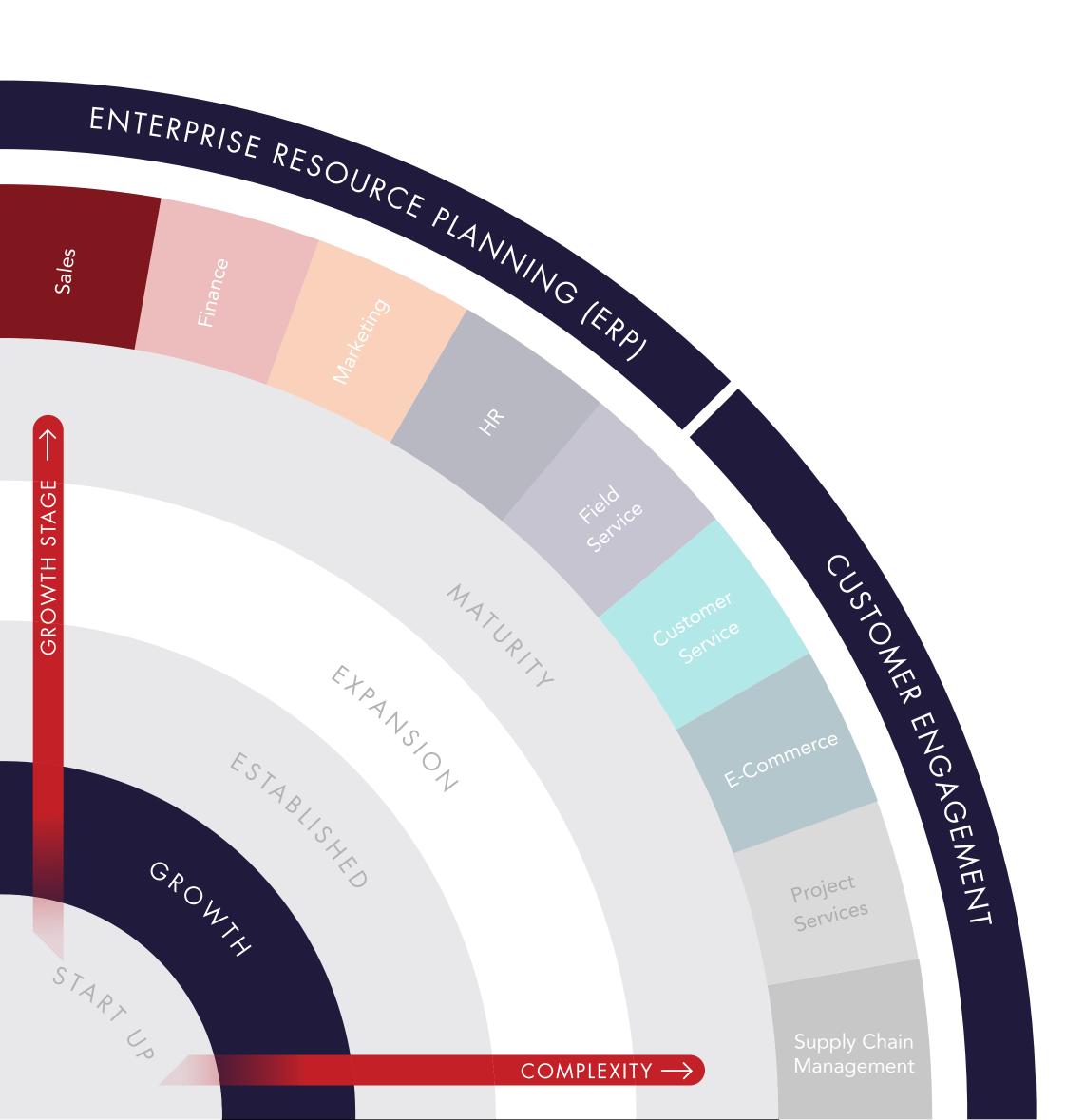
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Growth / Pain Point 4 / Sales / Capabilities



SALES: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Lead management Opportunity management Pipeline forecasting Sales automation Quote management Marketing lists Email marketing

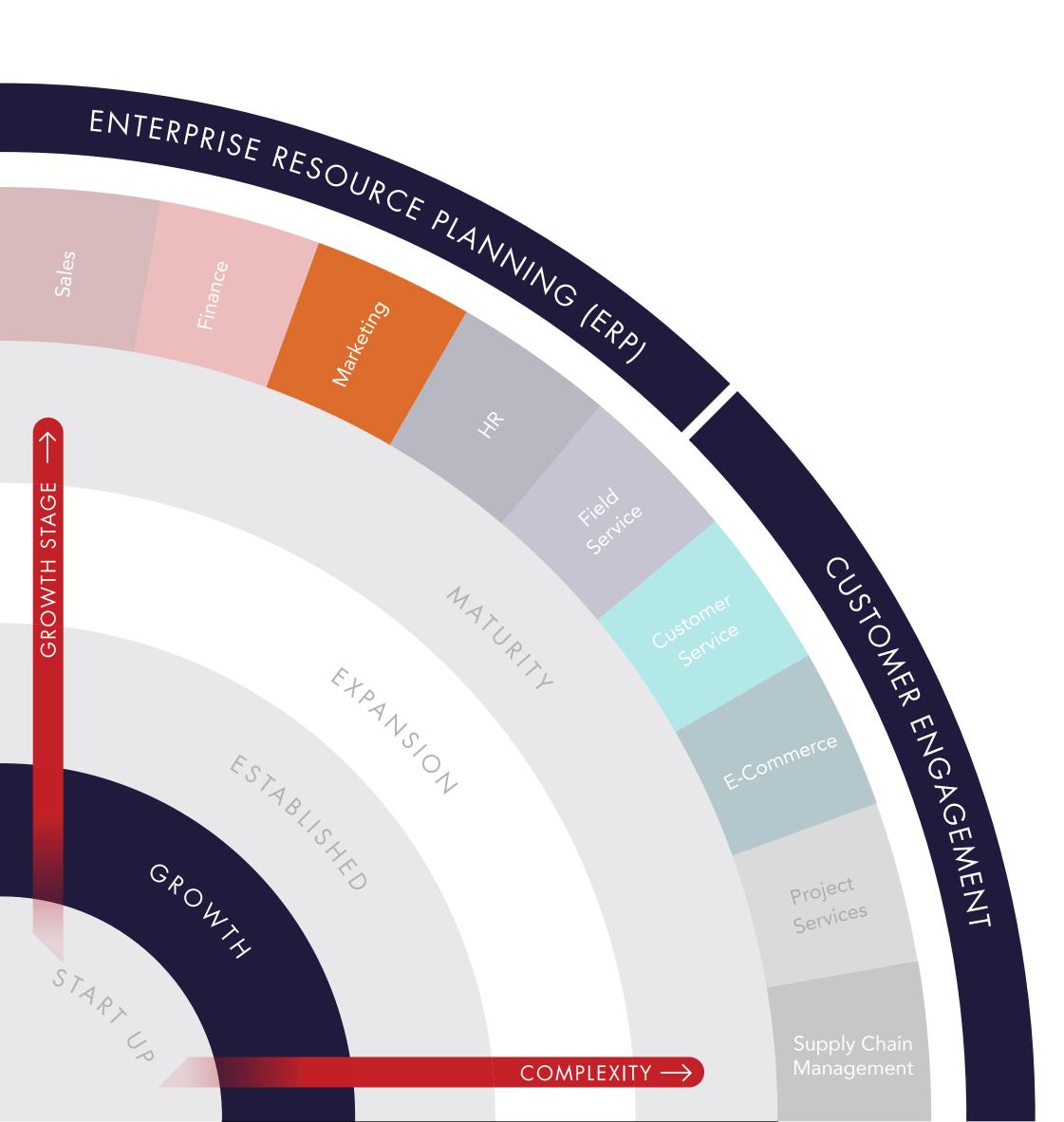
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Growth / Pain Point 4 / Marketing / Challenges



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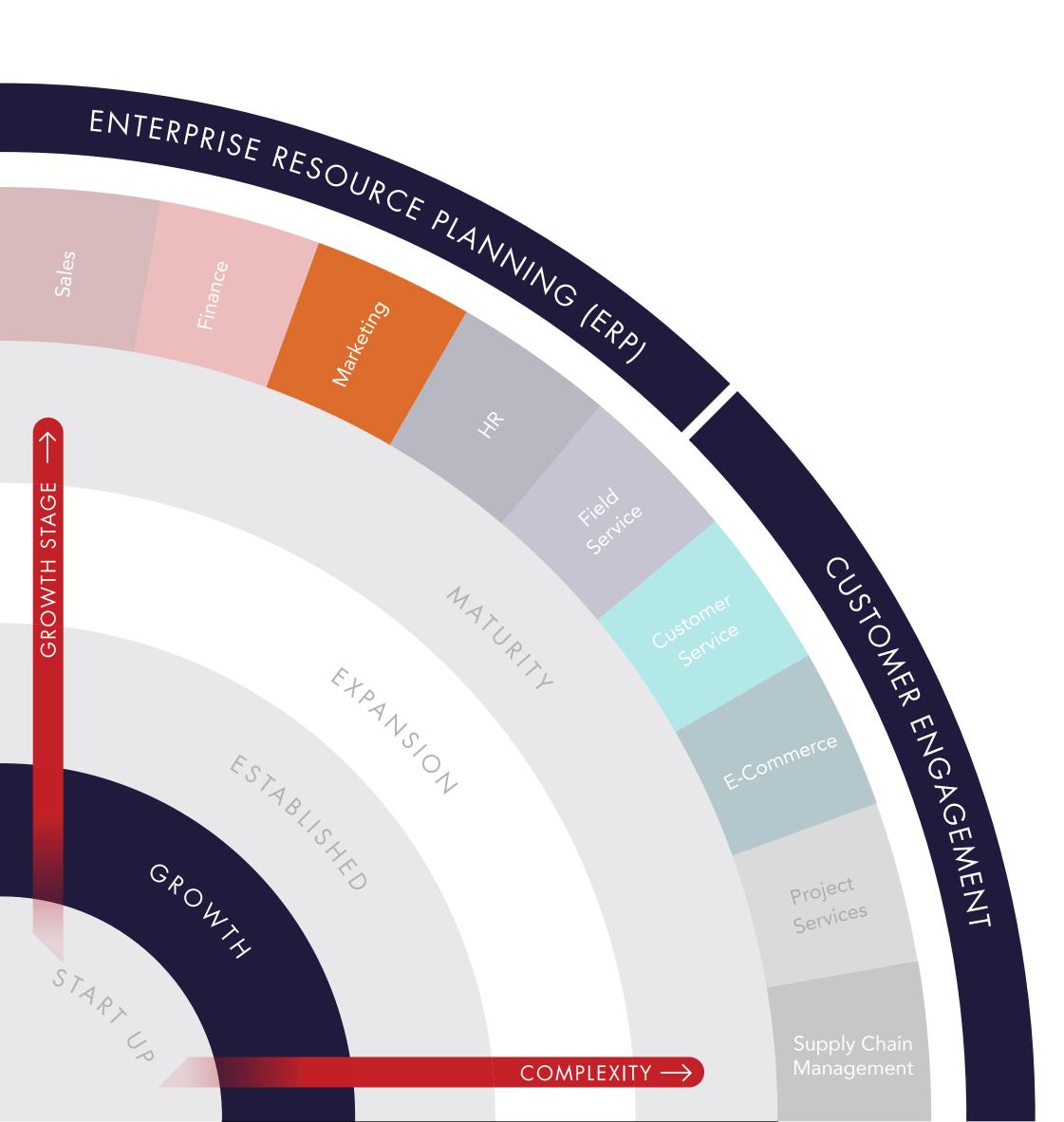
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Growth / Pain Point 4 / Marketing / Capabilities



MARKETING: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



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CAPABILITIES

- Email marketing Lead scoring
- Market segmentation
- Customer journeys
- Event management
- Connector for LinkedIn
- Lead generation forms

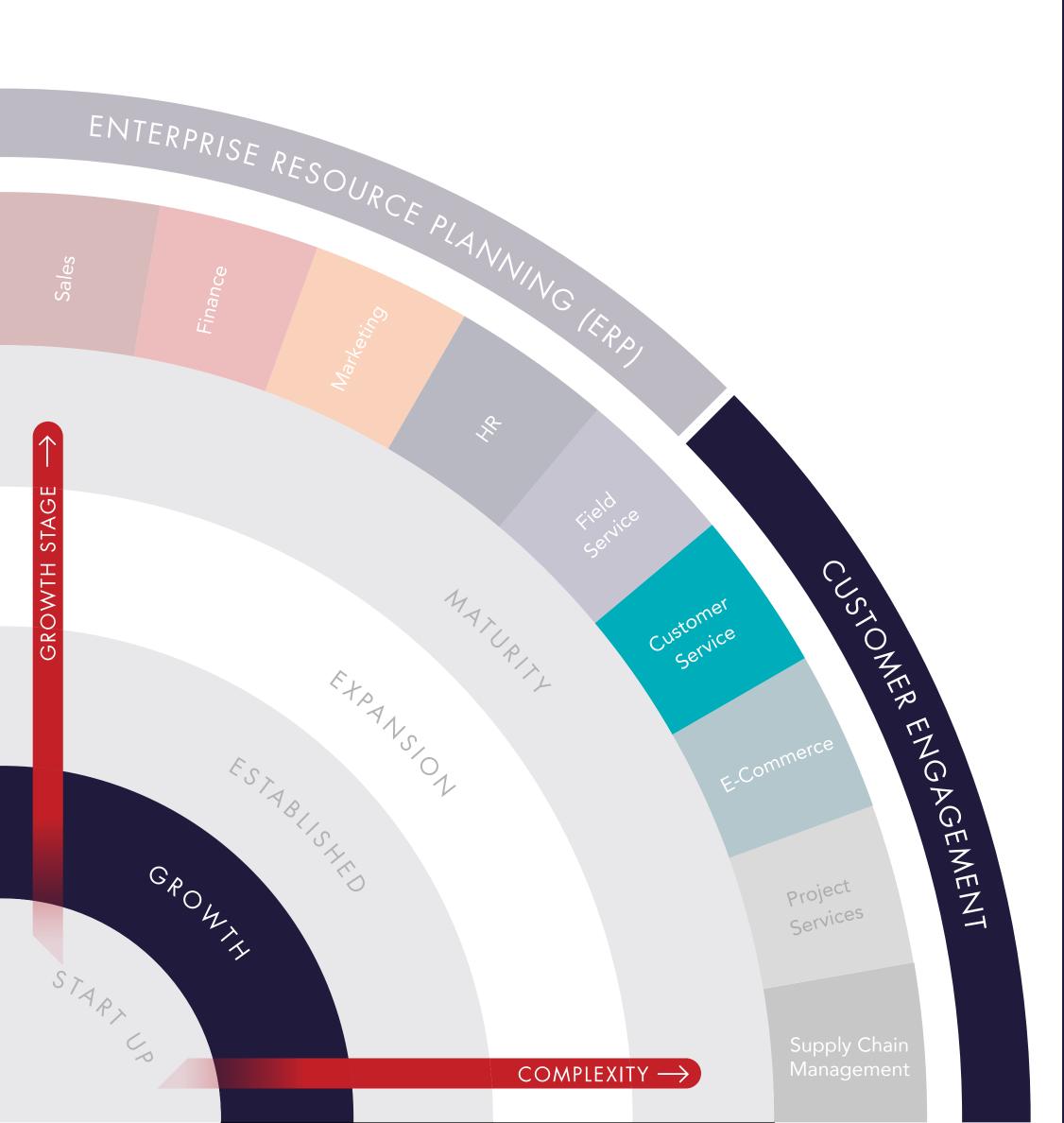
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Growth / Pain Point 4 / Customer Service / Challenges



CUSTOMER SERVICE: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



Customer Service Customer touchpoints are not joined up, leading to a backlog of complaints

CHALLENGES

To meet high customer expectations, businesses are now under pressure to deliver omnichannel customer service. But for many, it's impossible to track when a customer has previously interacted with the company, even if they spoke to a different agent just minutes before.

Customer sales advisors may not have access to real-time, accurate information, or have collaboration tools in place to get quick answers from other departments.

And when customer calls surge, they sometimes lack the call handling insight to resource their teams properly, or have no way to route customers through an interactive voice response (IVR).

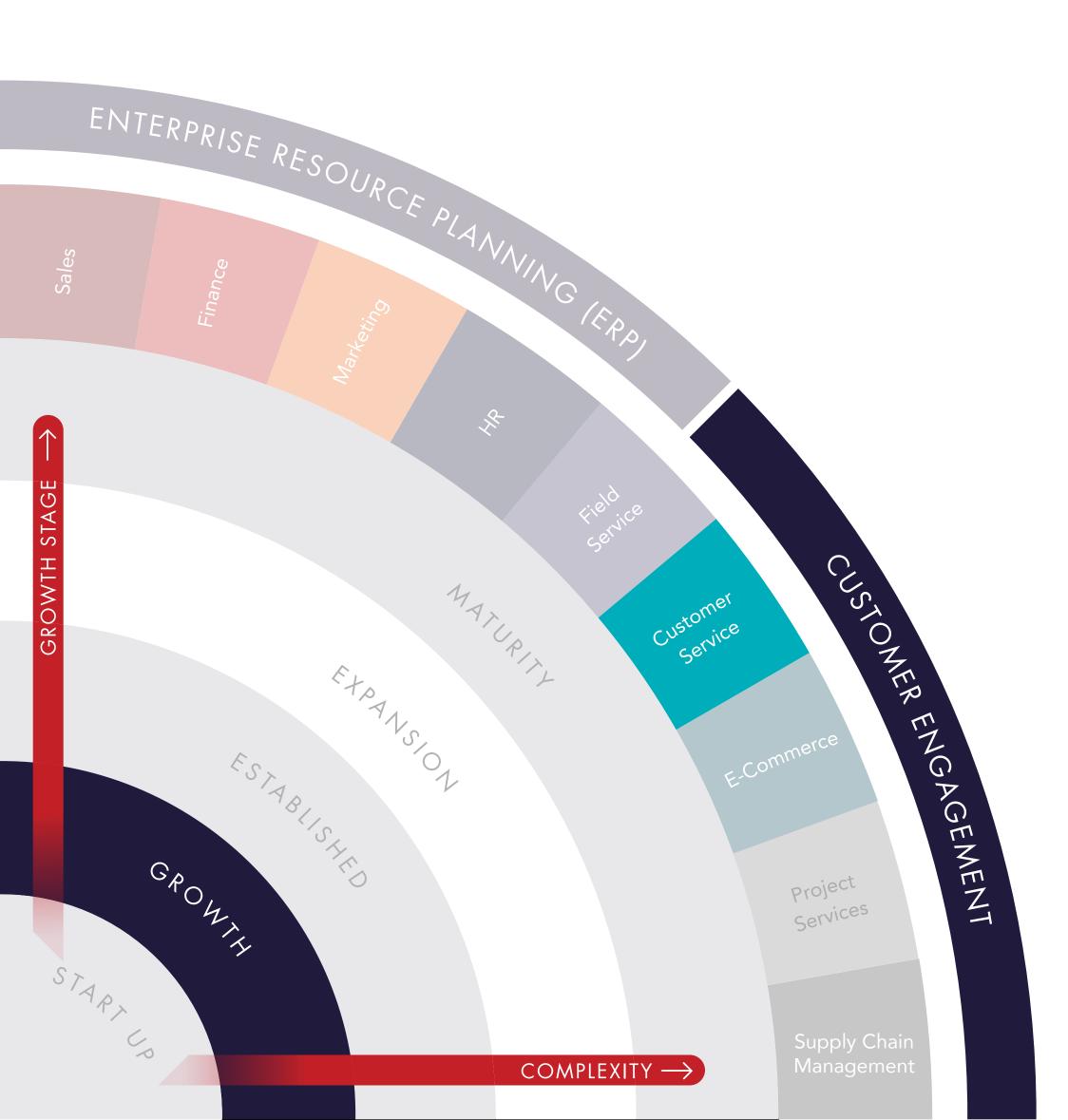
BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

The CRM capabilities within Dynamics, underpinned by AI, are an ideal platform to help customer service teams deliver seamless, personalised experiences. Dynamics brings all customer touchpoints into one comprehensive view, so agents are empowered to solve problems with a full picture of the situation.





Growth / Pain Point 4 / Customer Service / Capabilities



CUSTOMER SERVICE: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



Customer Service Customer touchpoints are not joined up, leading to a backlog of complaints

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Case management

SLA support

Account management

Service automation

Customer web portals

Contract management

Service analytics

Dynamics 365 Customer Service Enterprise

Power Apps

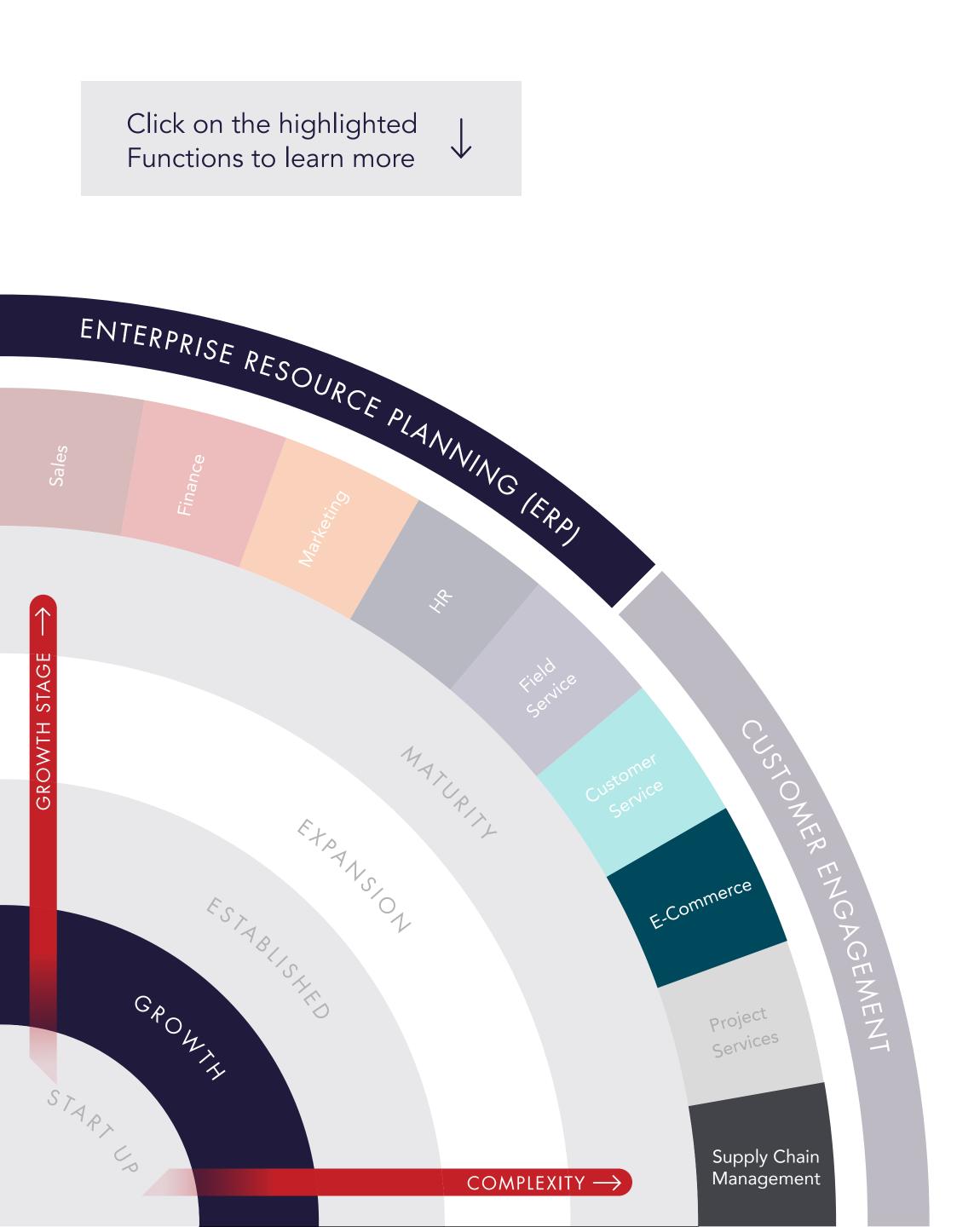
Power BI

Dynamics 365 Unified Service Desk









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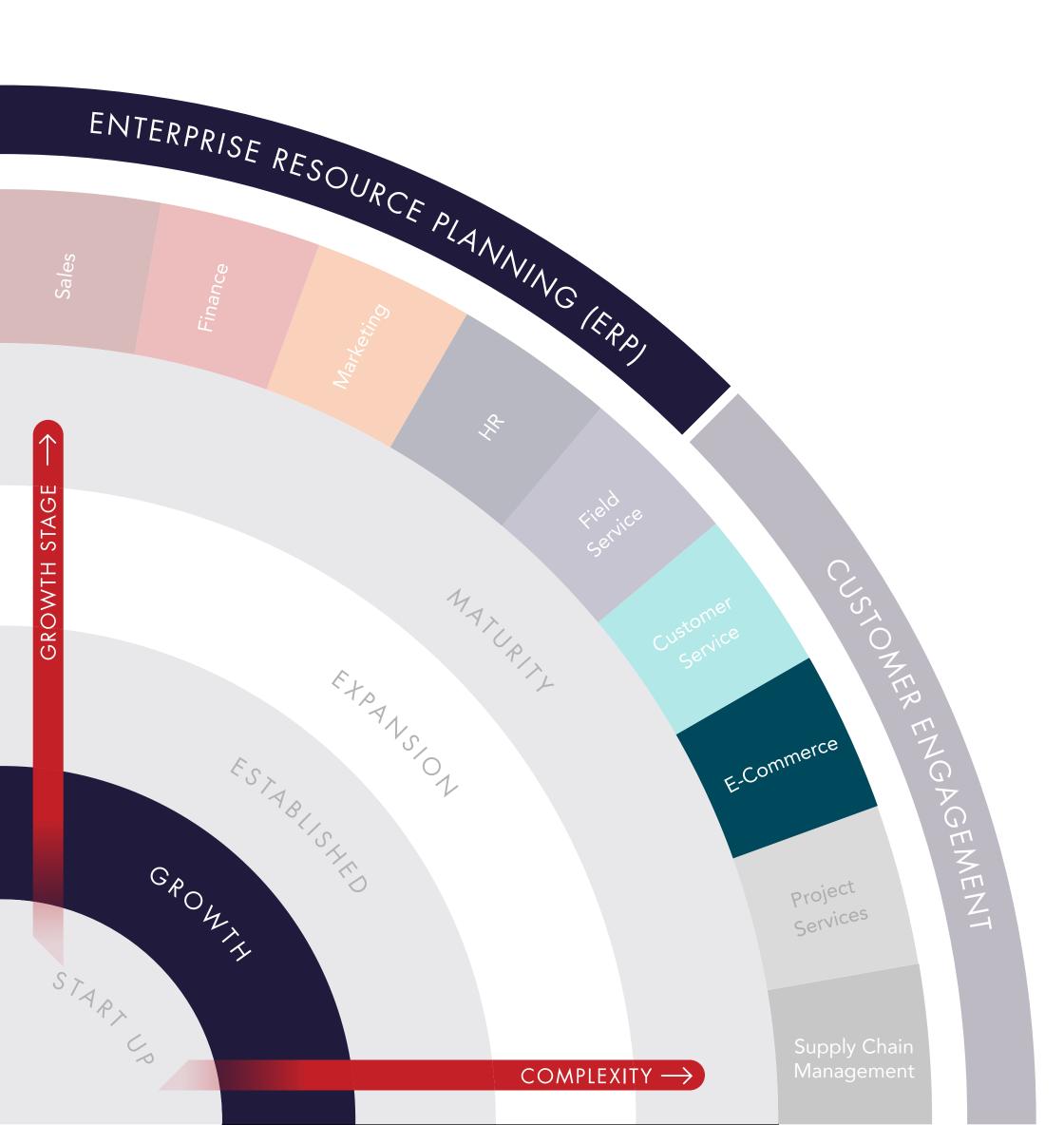
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Growth / Pain Point 5 / E-Commerce / Challenges



E-COMMERCE: GROWTH

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E-Commerce

Managing the right stock, fulfilling and tracking orders through digital shops

CHALLENGES

E-commerce is a business of fine margins – every click counts. Customers need to see the same content and promotions across different channels, for example, which is hard without a single, integrated platform. Equally, it's a challenge to fulfil orders efficiently online, and to offer flexible delivery models (particularly for smaller organisations).

Businesses also struggle with data: they need to predict customer demand and report on realtime stock levels, as well as needing accurate customer data so they can personalise offers.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

E-commerce teams can use Dynamics to create exceptional shopping experiences. The platform's built-in AI and machine learning can help to integrate and optimise back-office processes, streamlining your retail operations. It is also extremely scalable, lending itself to growing businesses or those expanding into new territories and markets.

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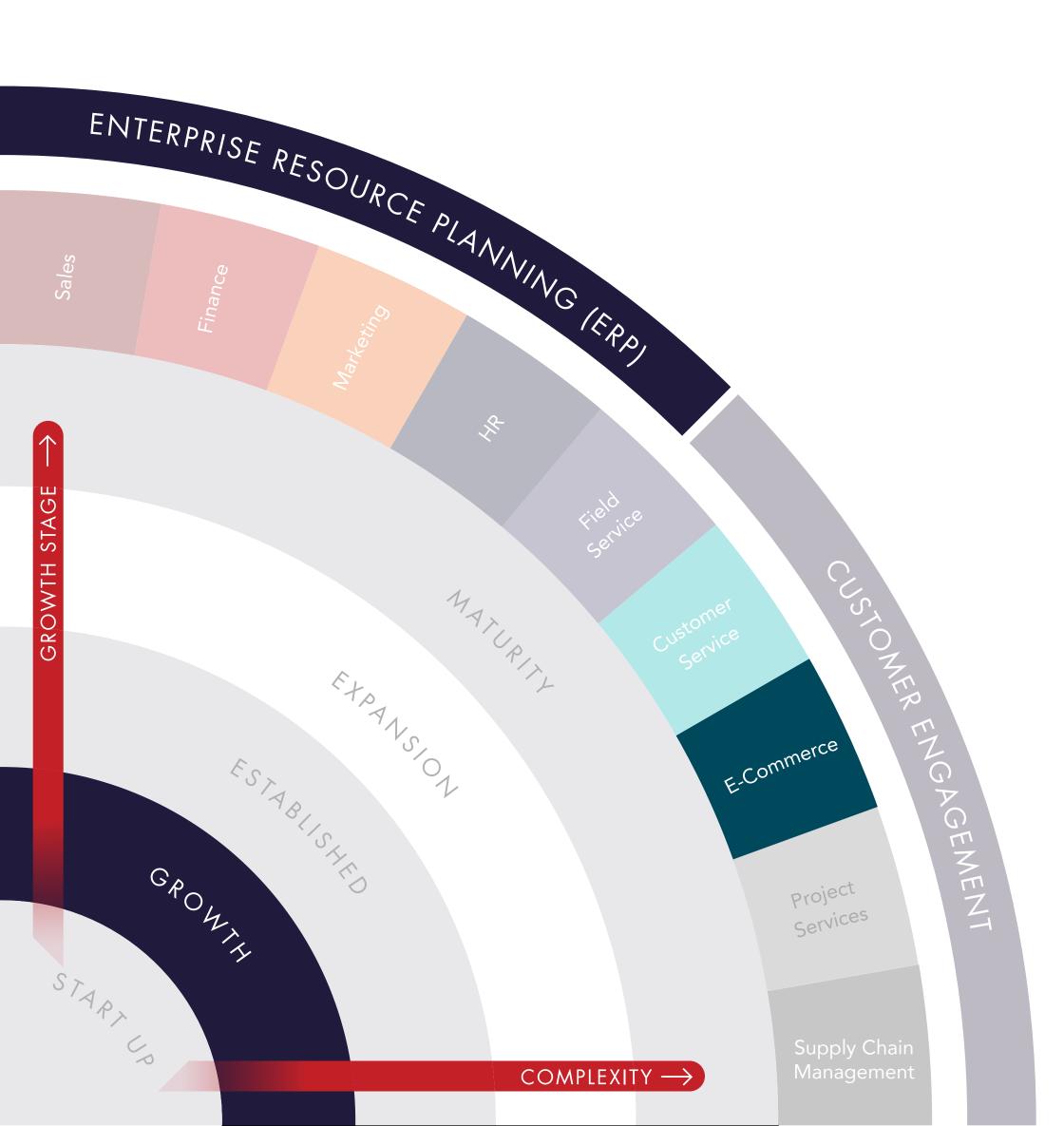


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Growth / Pain Point 5 / E-Commerce / Capabilities



E-COMMERCE: GROWTH

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E-Commerce

Managing the right stock, fulfilling and tracking orders through digital shops

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Pricing

Stores management

Shift management

Employee management

Customer loyalty

Replenishment

Product categories

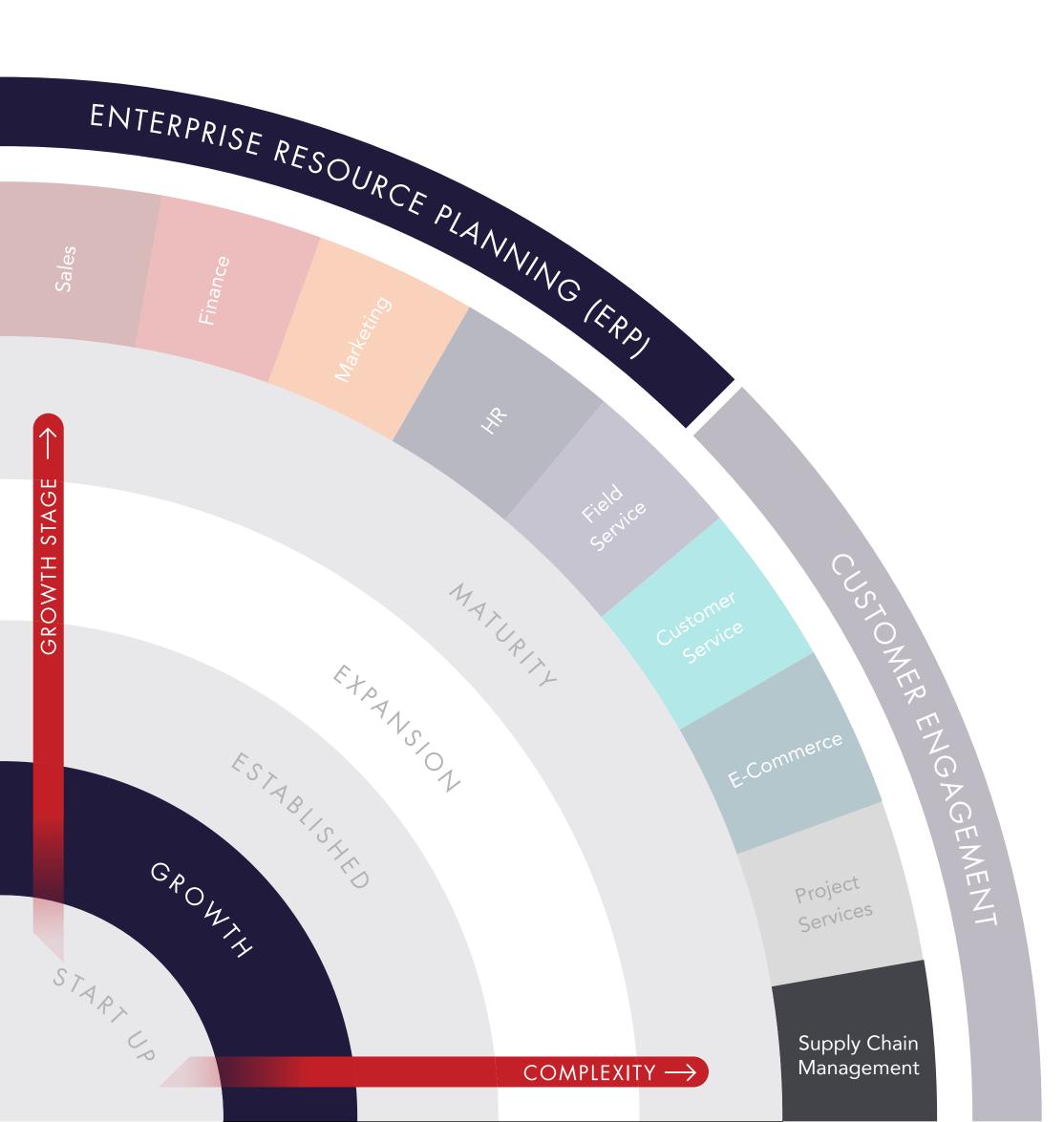
Sales channel management

Dynamics 365 E-Commerce Power Apps





Growth / Pain Point 5 / Supply Chain Management / Challenges



SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: GROWTH

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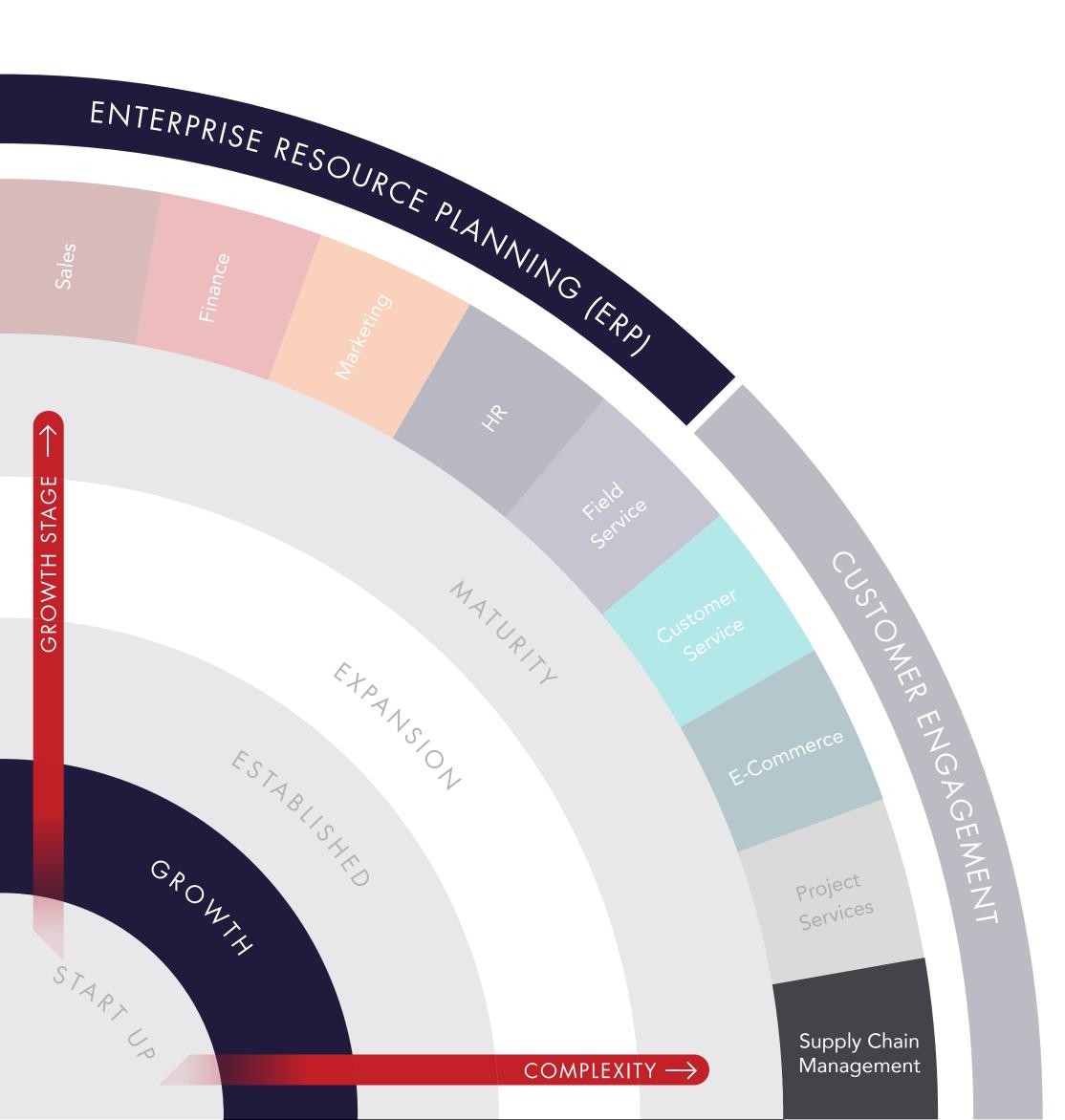








Growth / Pain Point 5 / Supply Chain Management / Capabilities



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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Asset management

Inventory management

Production central

Procurement and sourcing

Transportation

Warehouse management

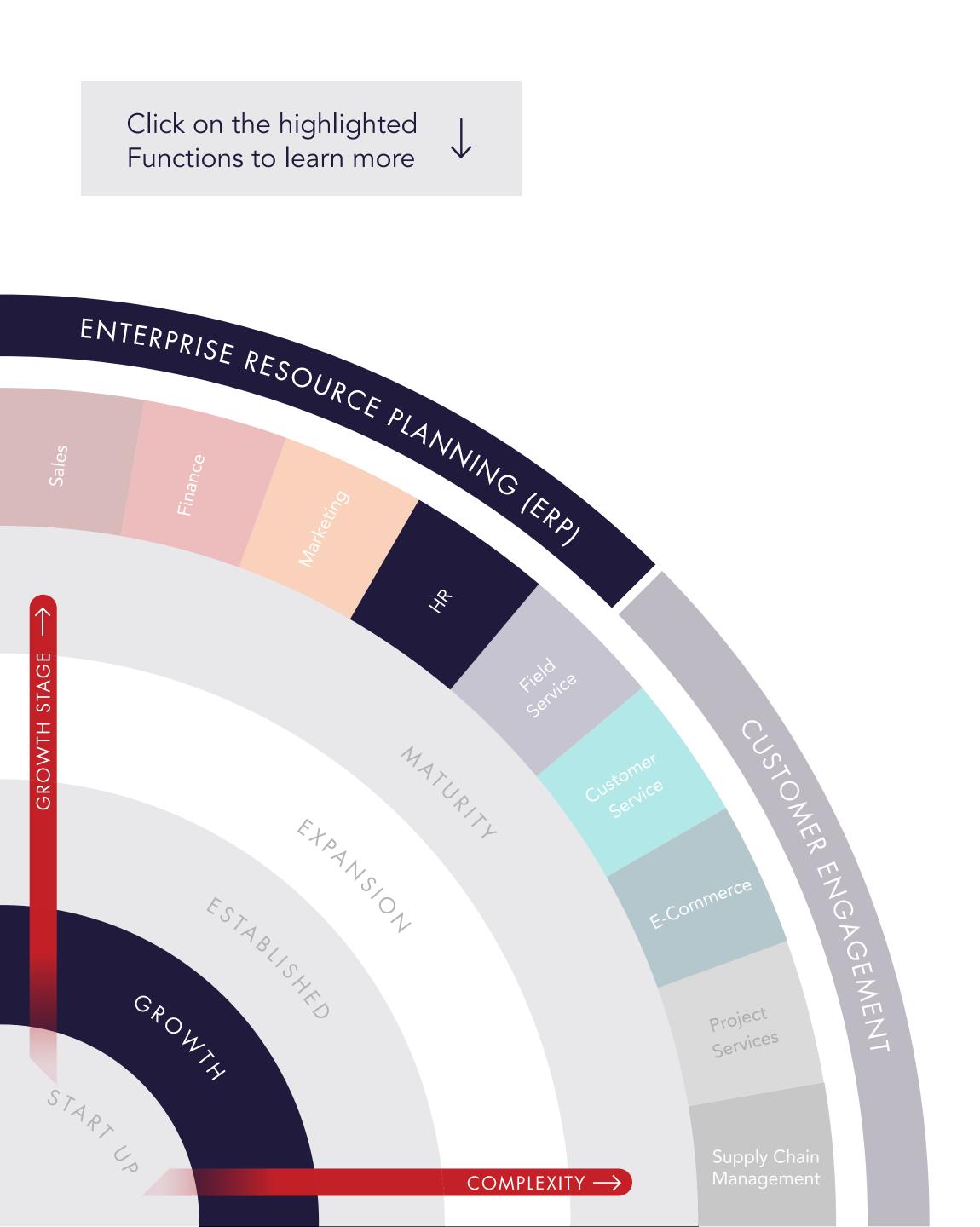
Fleet management

Dynamics 365 Supply Chain Management









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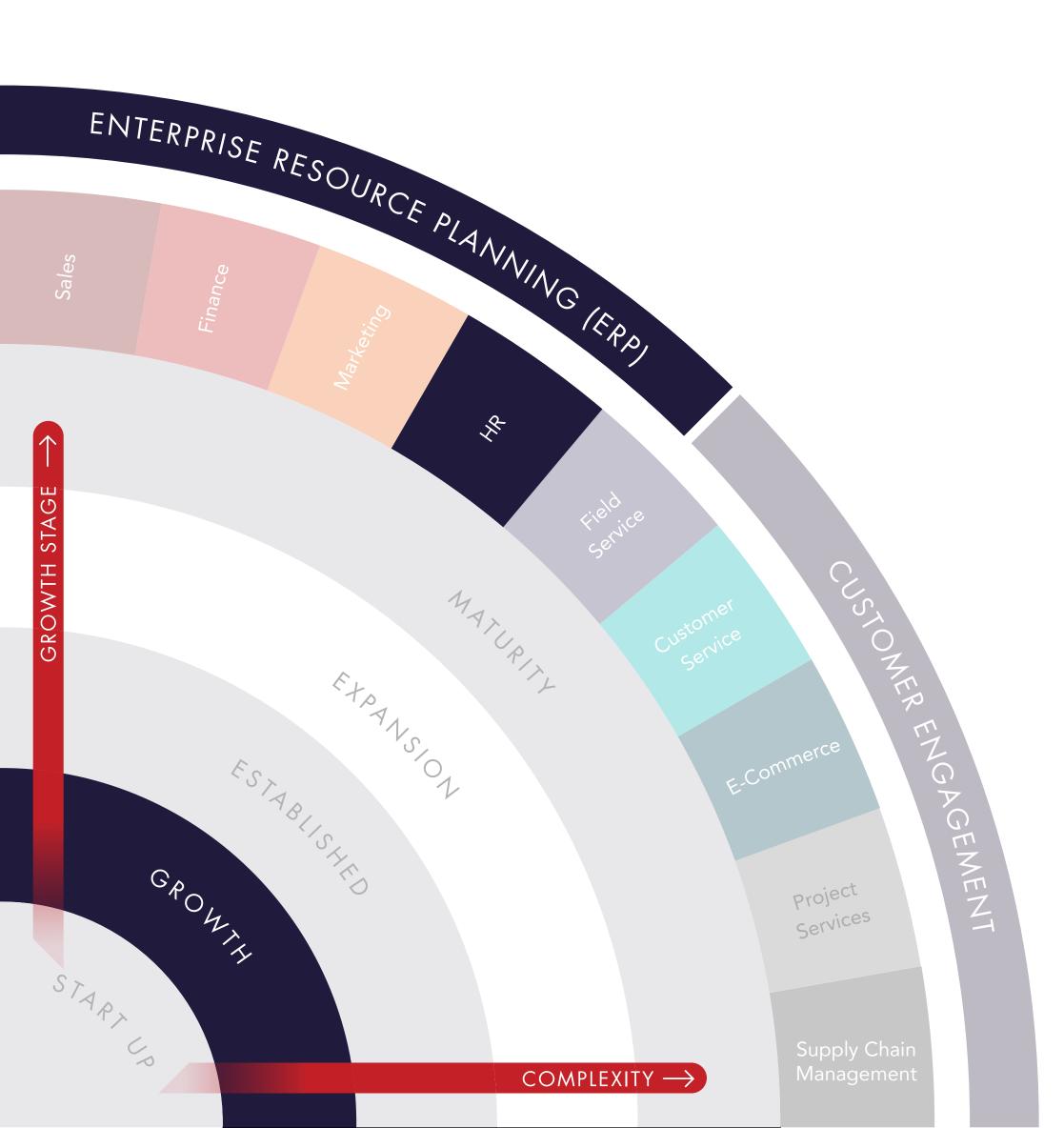
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Finding the right people to grow with the business

Growth / Pain Point 6 / HR / Challenges



HR: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



HR Finding the right people to grow with the business

CHALLENGES

As a business grows, its HR processes and systems become increasingly complex. HR managers need to report on employees' wellbeing, learning and development, absences, annual leave, and much more.

That's on top of trying to make recruitment and onboarding more efficient, centralising core HR processes, and giving managers the tools and training they need to manage their team members.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

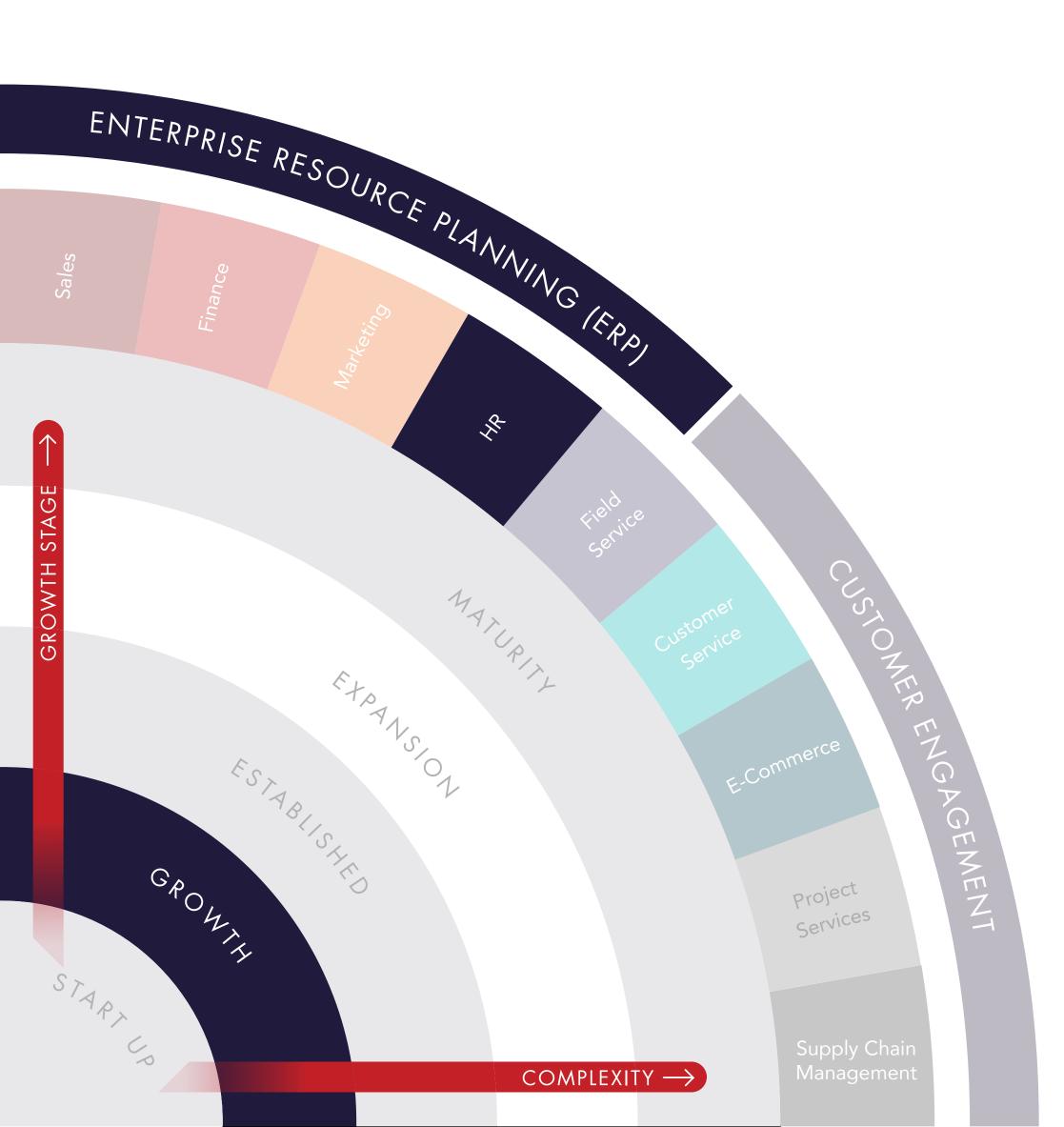
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Growth / Pain Point 6 / HR / Capabilities



HR: GROWTH

PAIN POINTS



HR Finding the right people to grow with the business

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

People management Compensation management Compliance Leave and absence Benefits Learning and development Employee development Employee self-service Hiring and offer management

Dynamics 365 Human Resources









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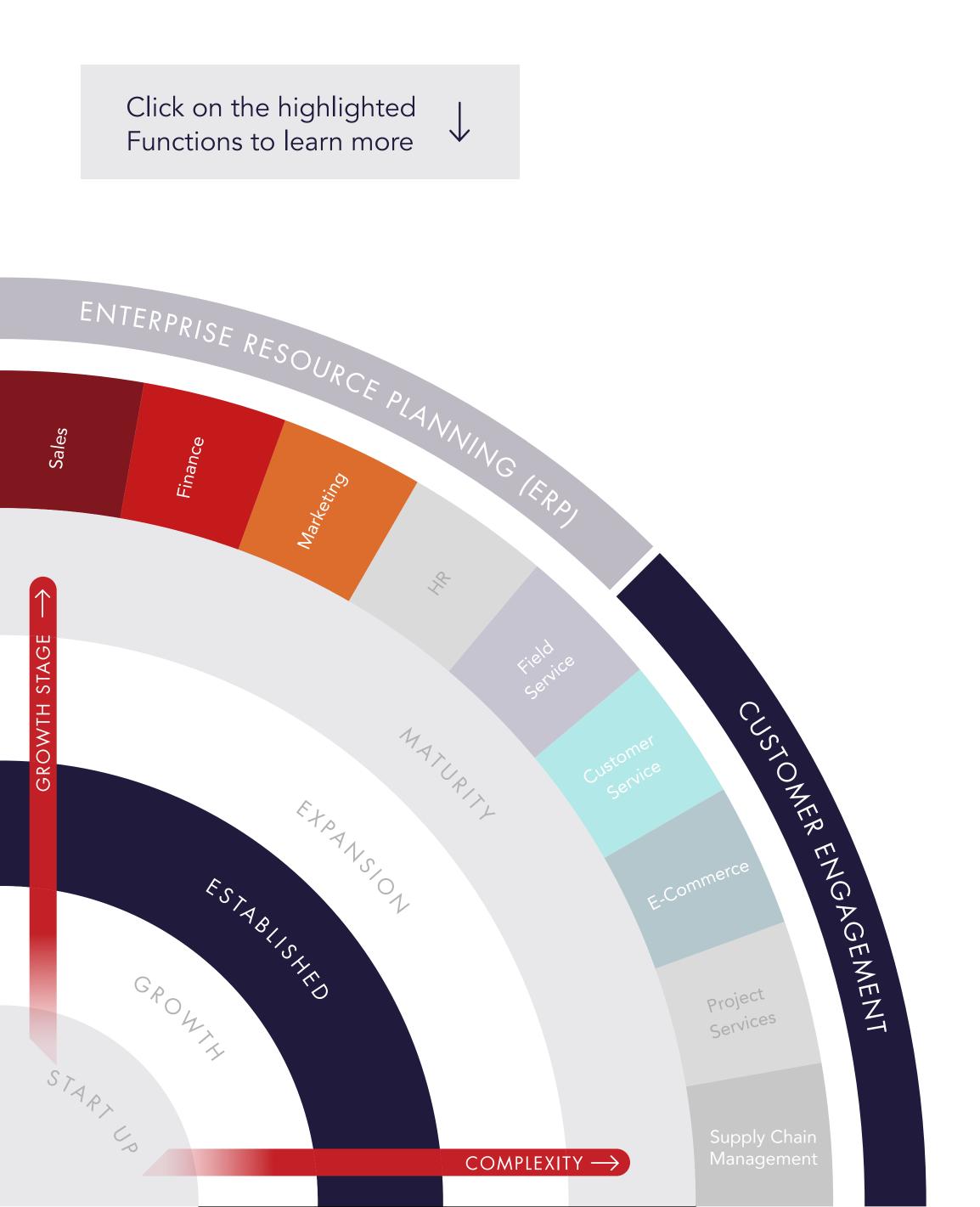
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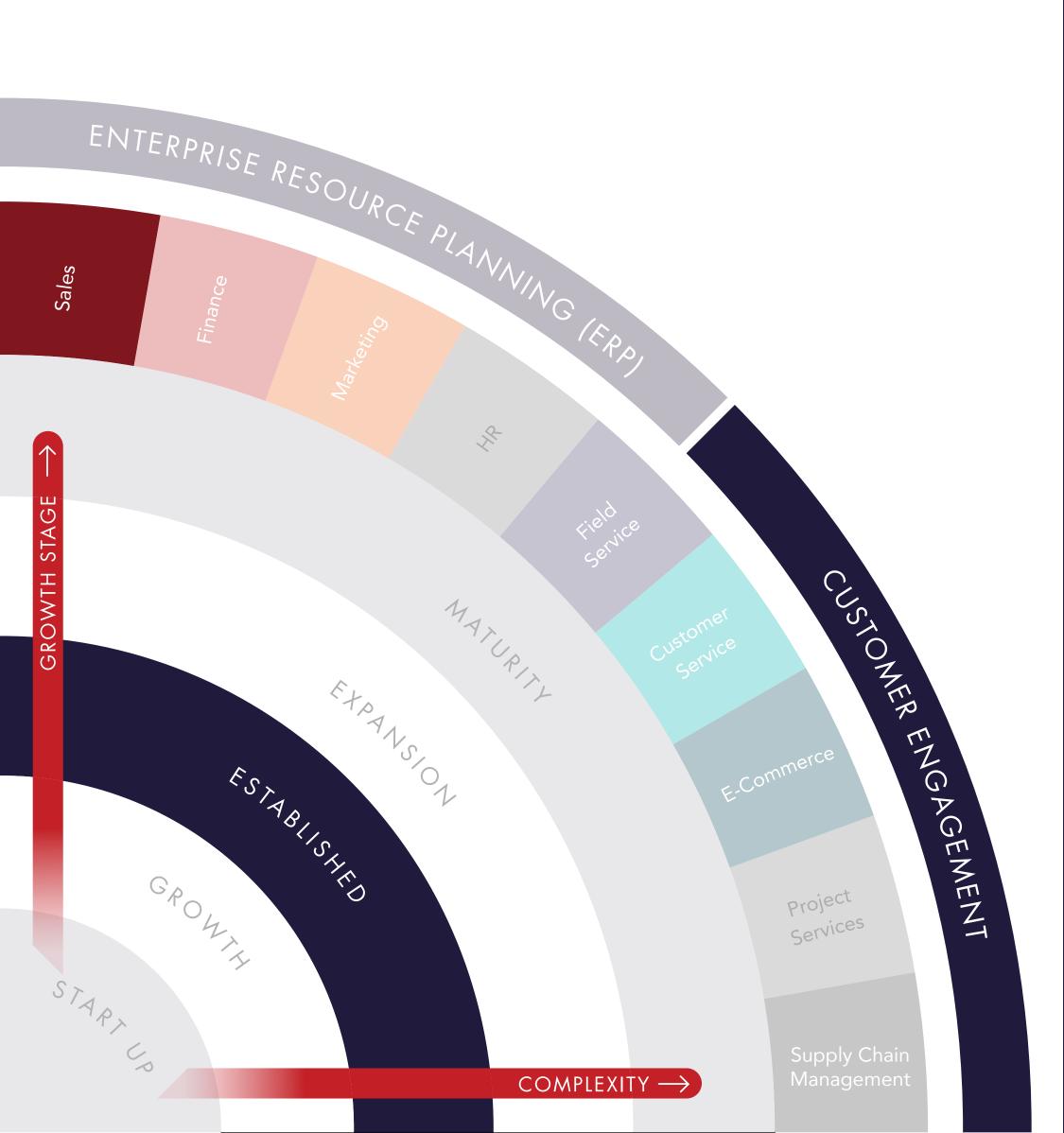
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Established / Pain Point 1, 2, 3 / Sales / Challenges



SALES: ESTABLISHED

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Sales

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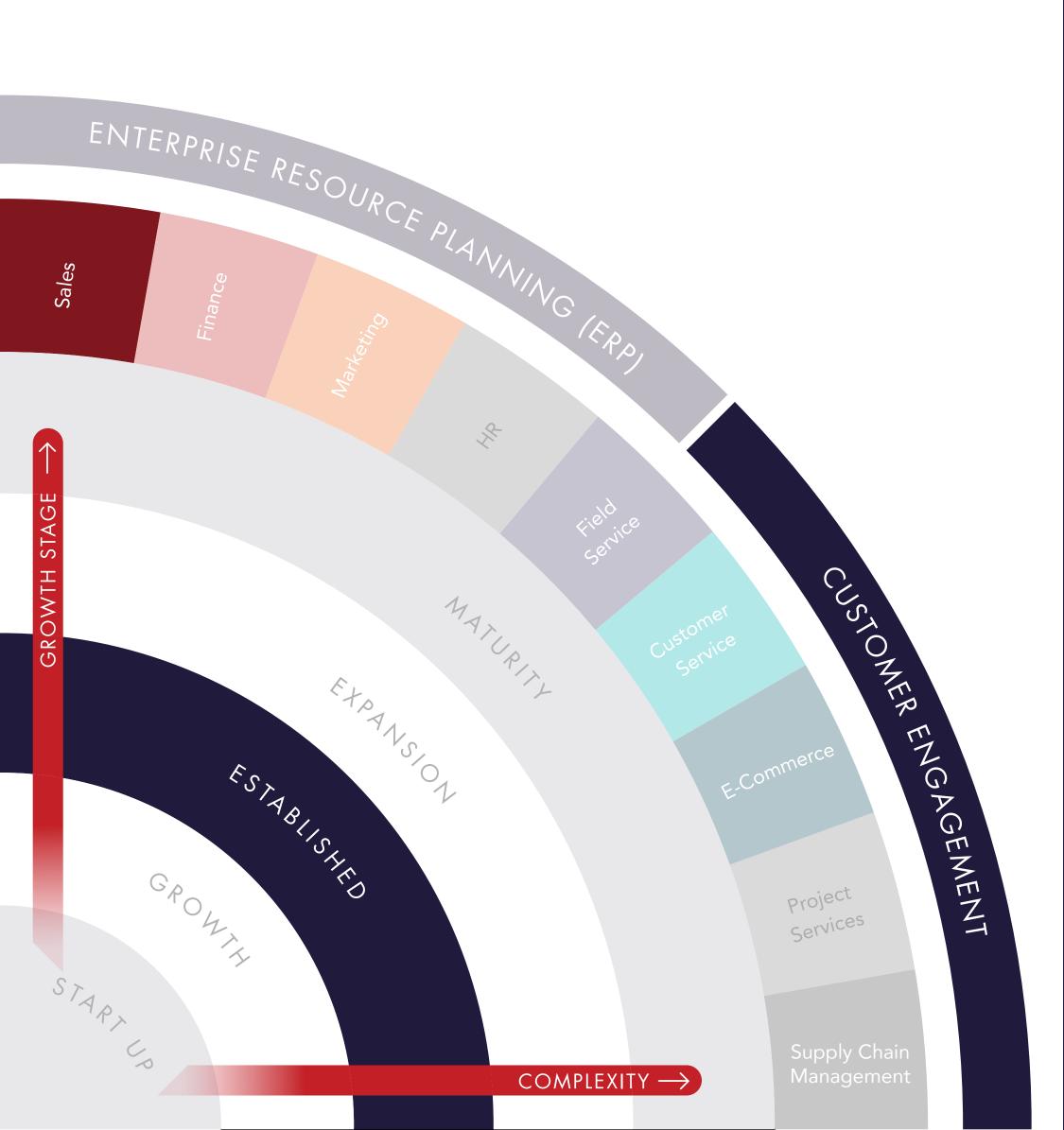
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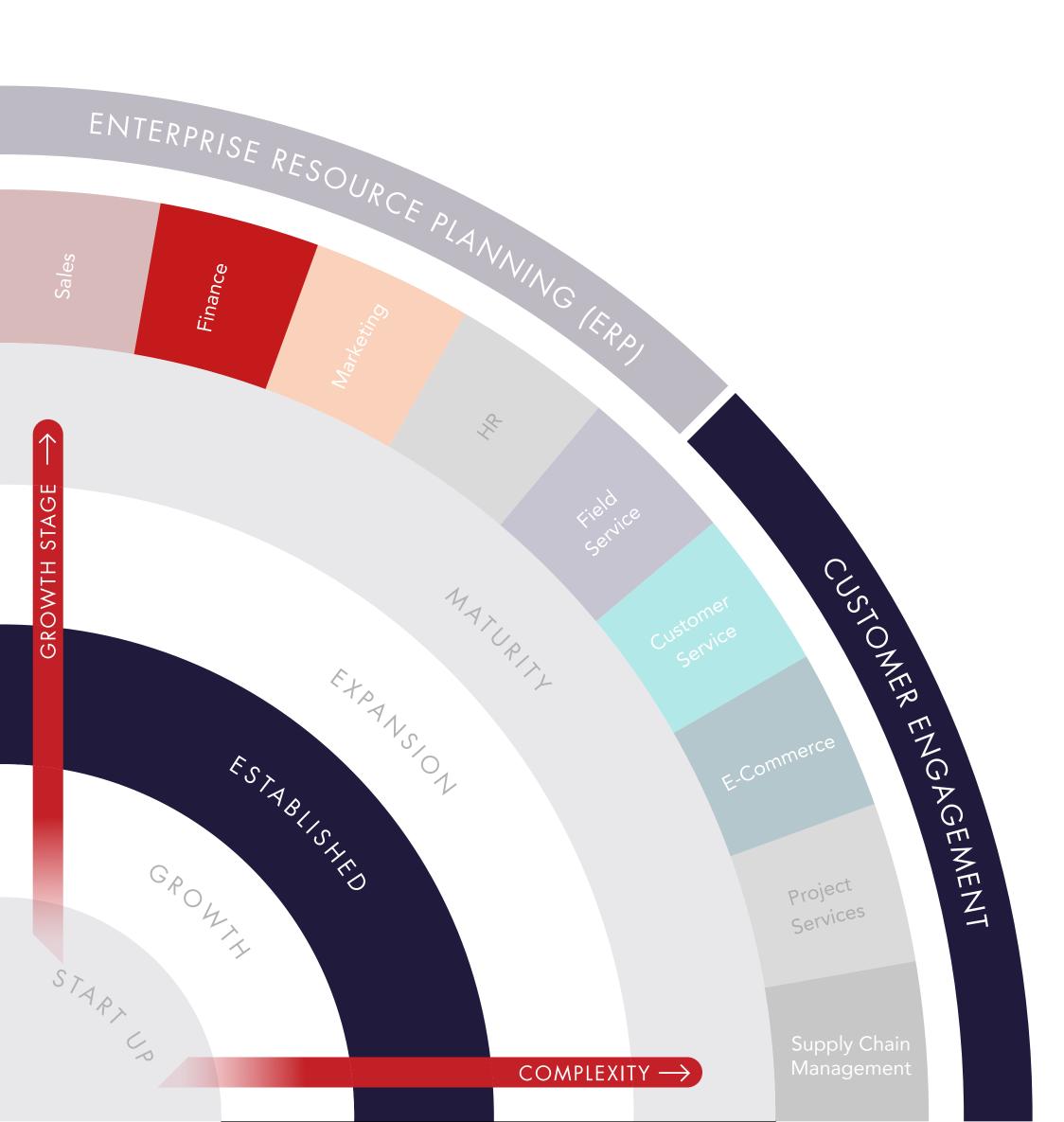
- Lead management
- Opportunity management
- Pipeline forecasting
- Sales automation
- Quote management
- Marketing lists
- Email marketing

Dynamics 365 Sales Dynamics 365 Sales Insight Dynamics 365 Product Visualise Power BI





Established / Pain Point 1 / Finance / Challenges



FINANCE: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



Finance

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CHALLENGES

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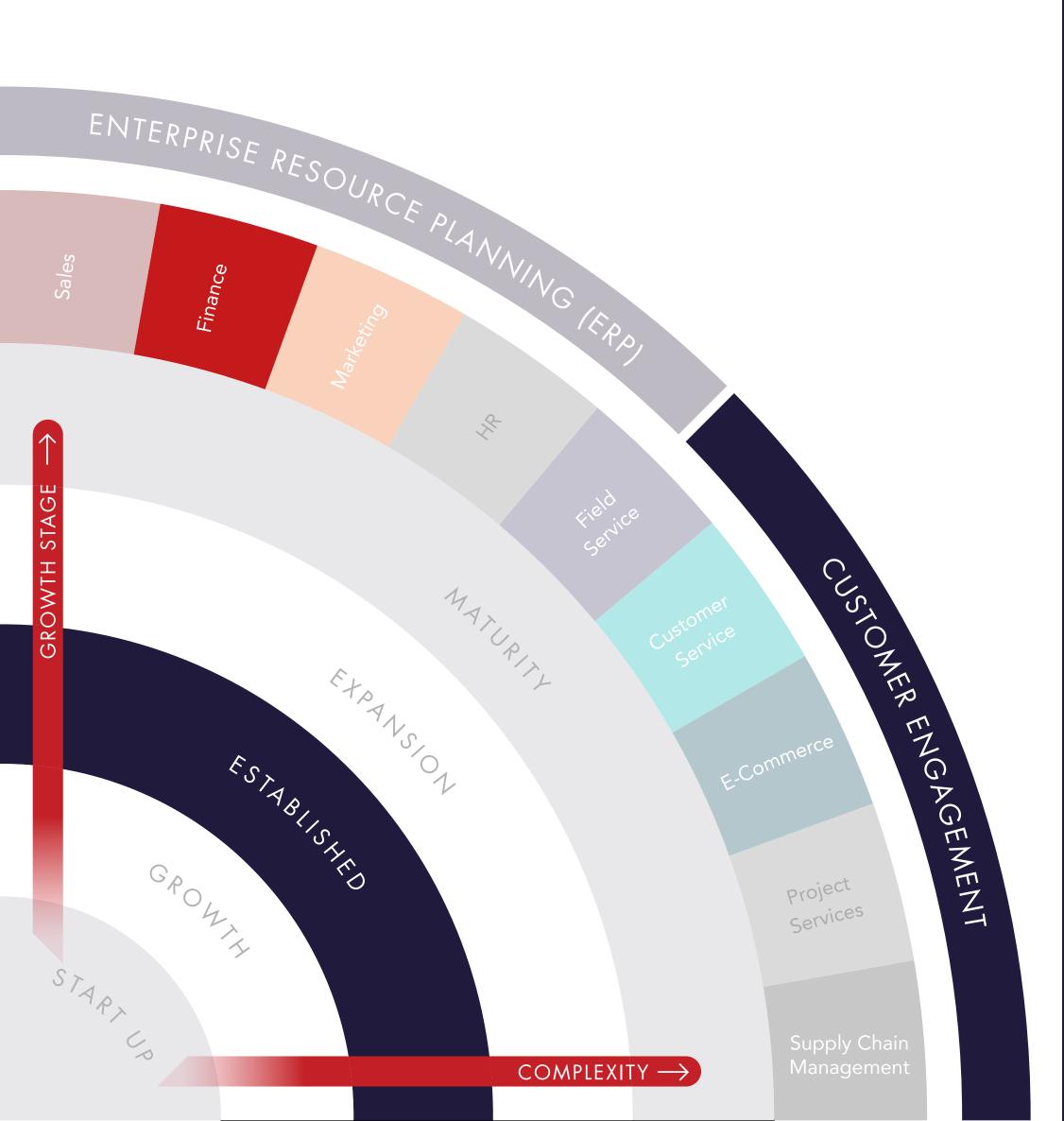
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PAIN POINTS



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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Credit management

Treasury

Accounts receivable

Accounts payable

Budgeting

Cost management

Fixed assets

Payroll tax

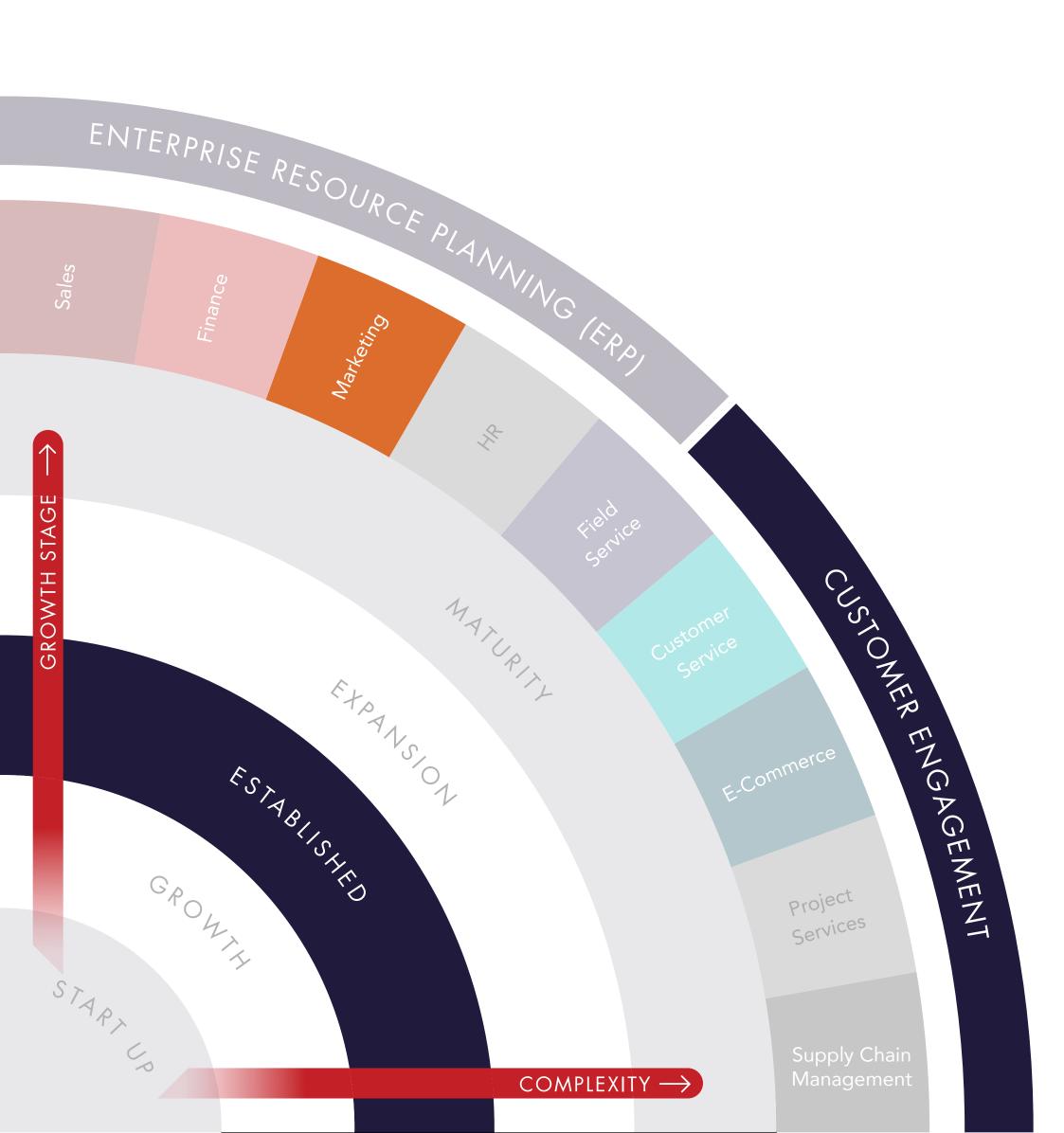
External compliance certification

Dynamics 365 for Finance





Established / Pain Point 1, 2 / Marketing / Challenges



MARKETING: ESTABLISHED

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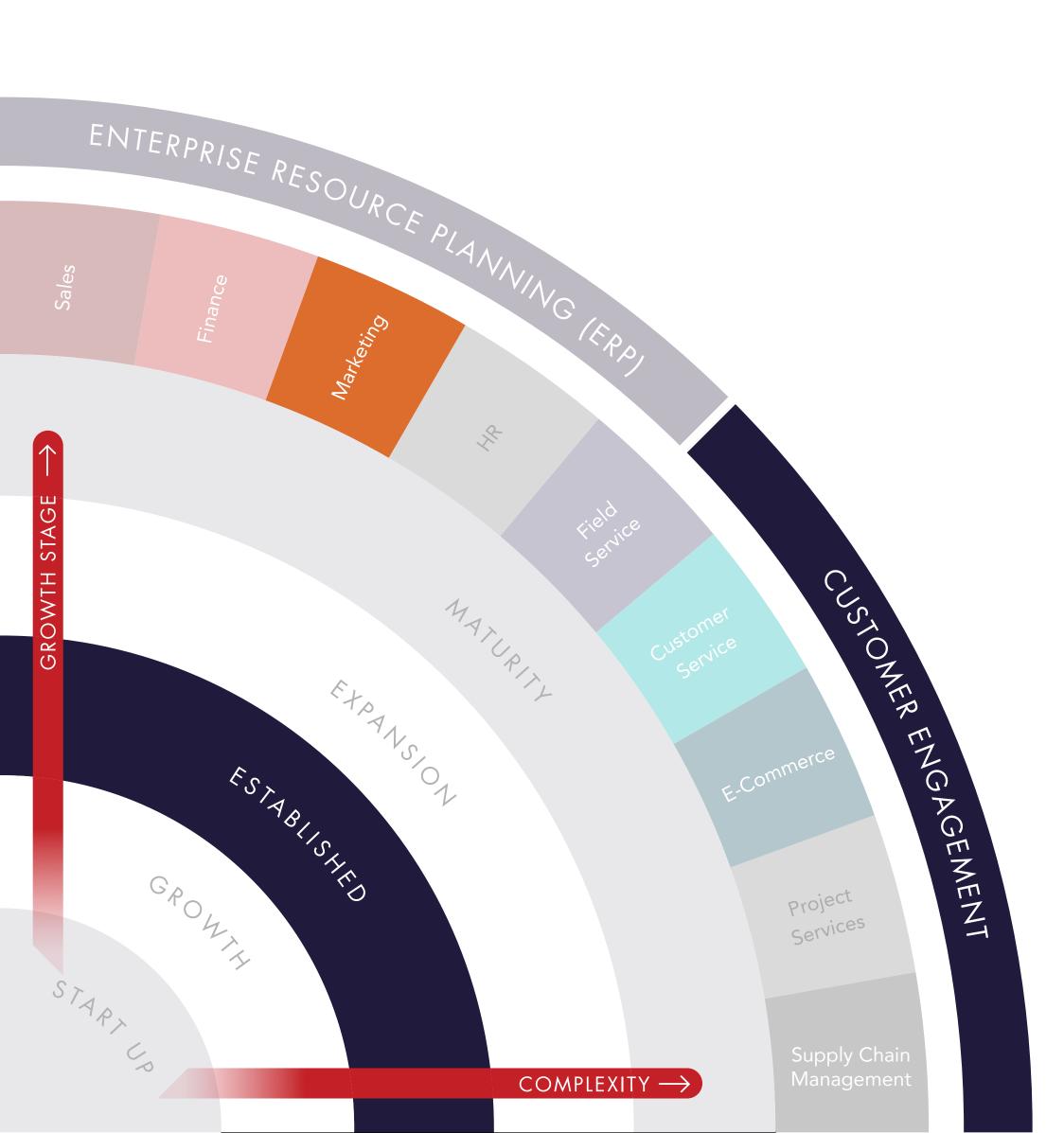
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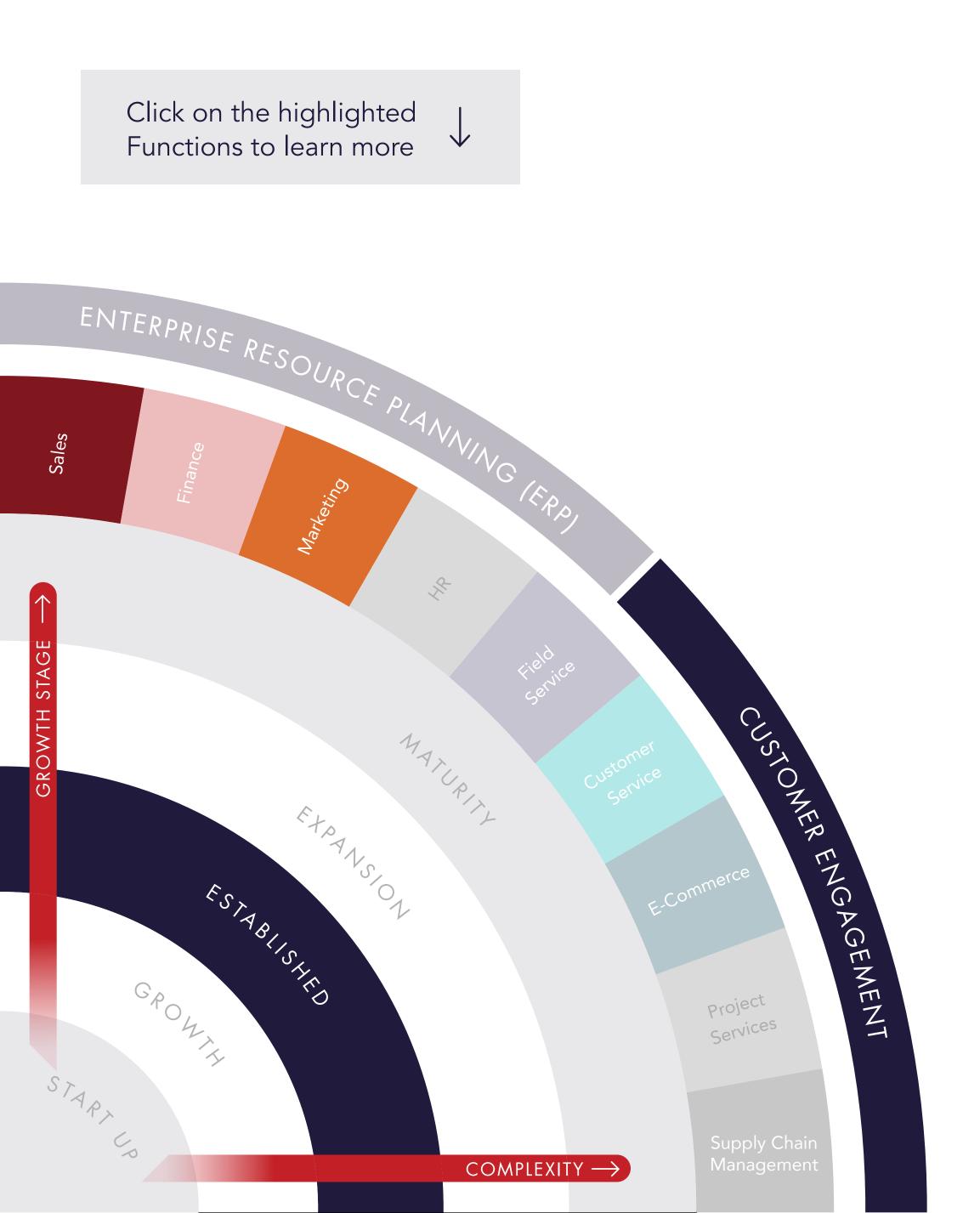
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- Lead scoring
- Market segmentation
- Customer journeys
- Event management
- Connector for LinkedIn
- Lead generation forms

Dynamics 365 Marketing Dynamics 365 Customer Insight Power Apps









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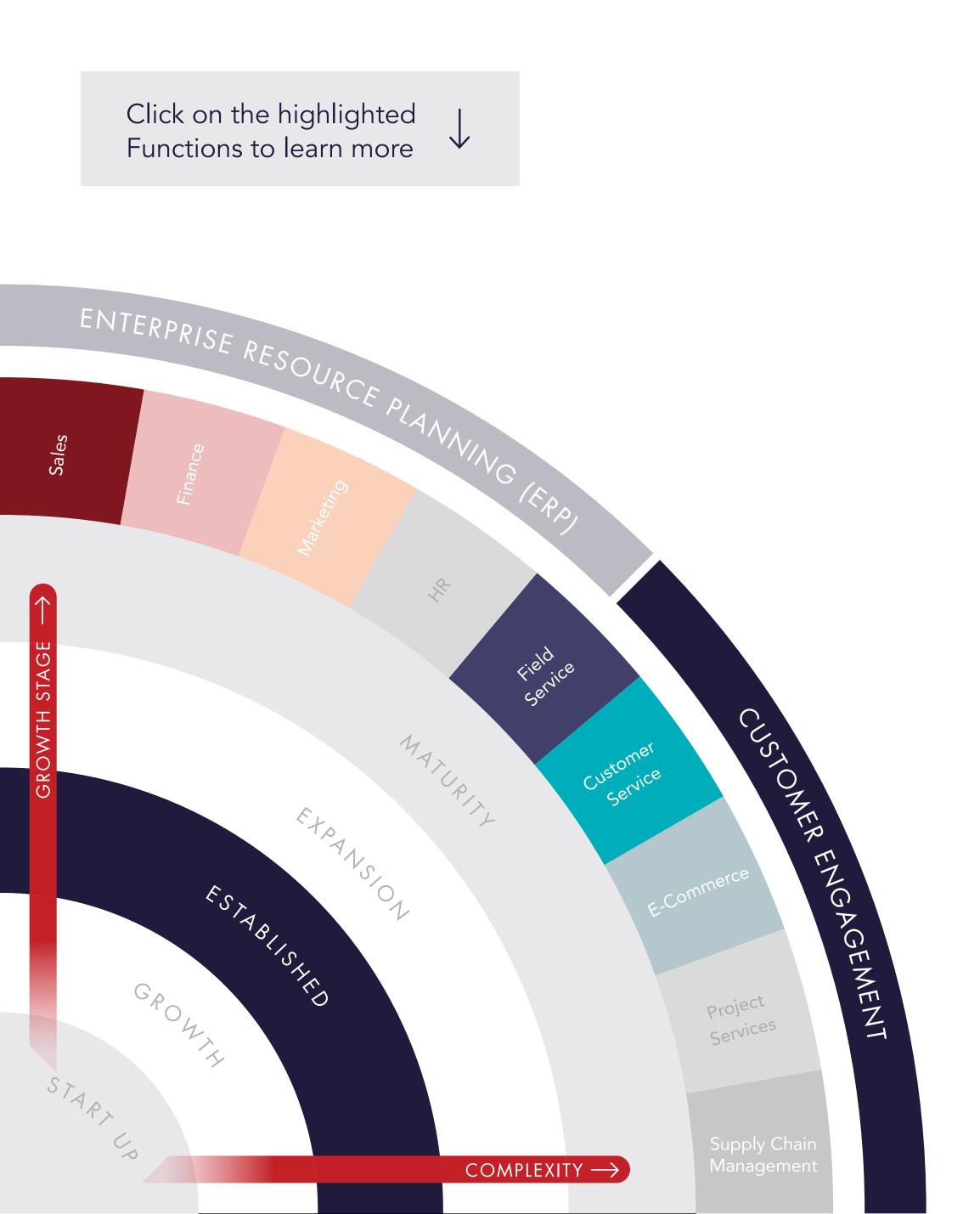
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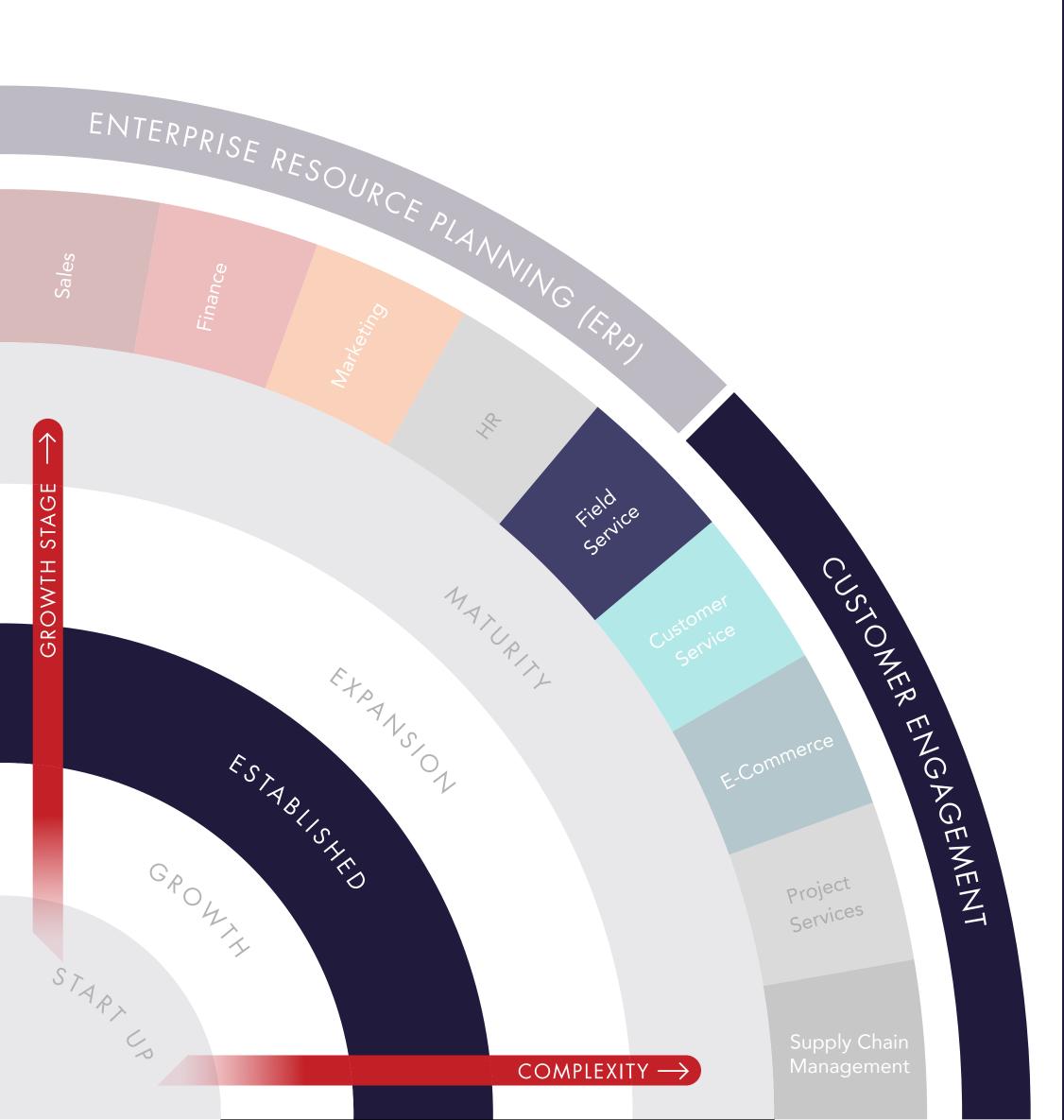
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FIELD SERVICE: ESTABLISHED

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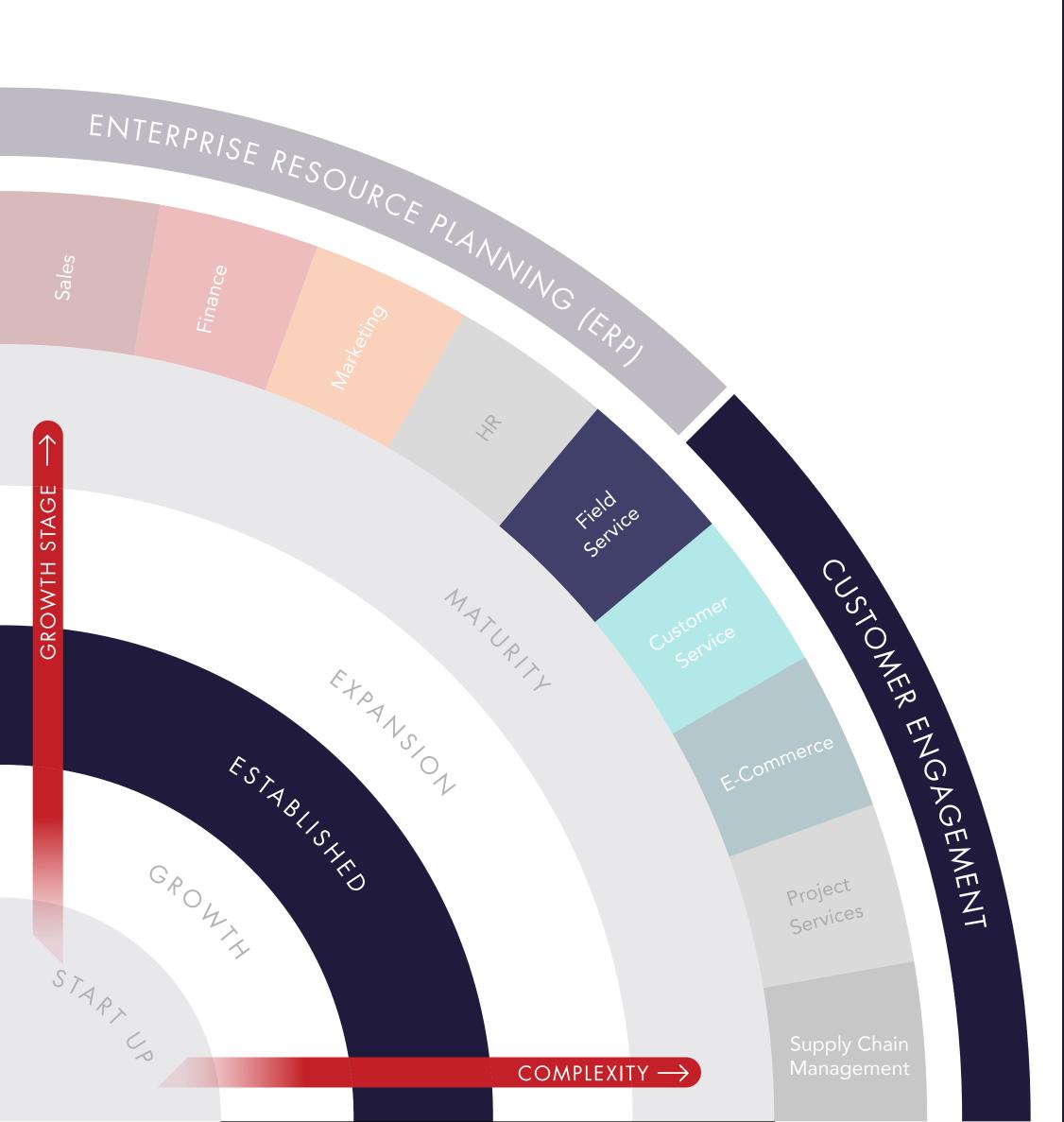
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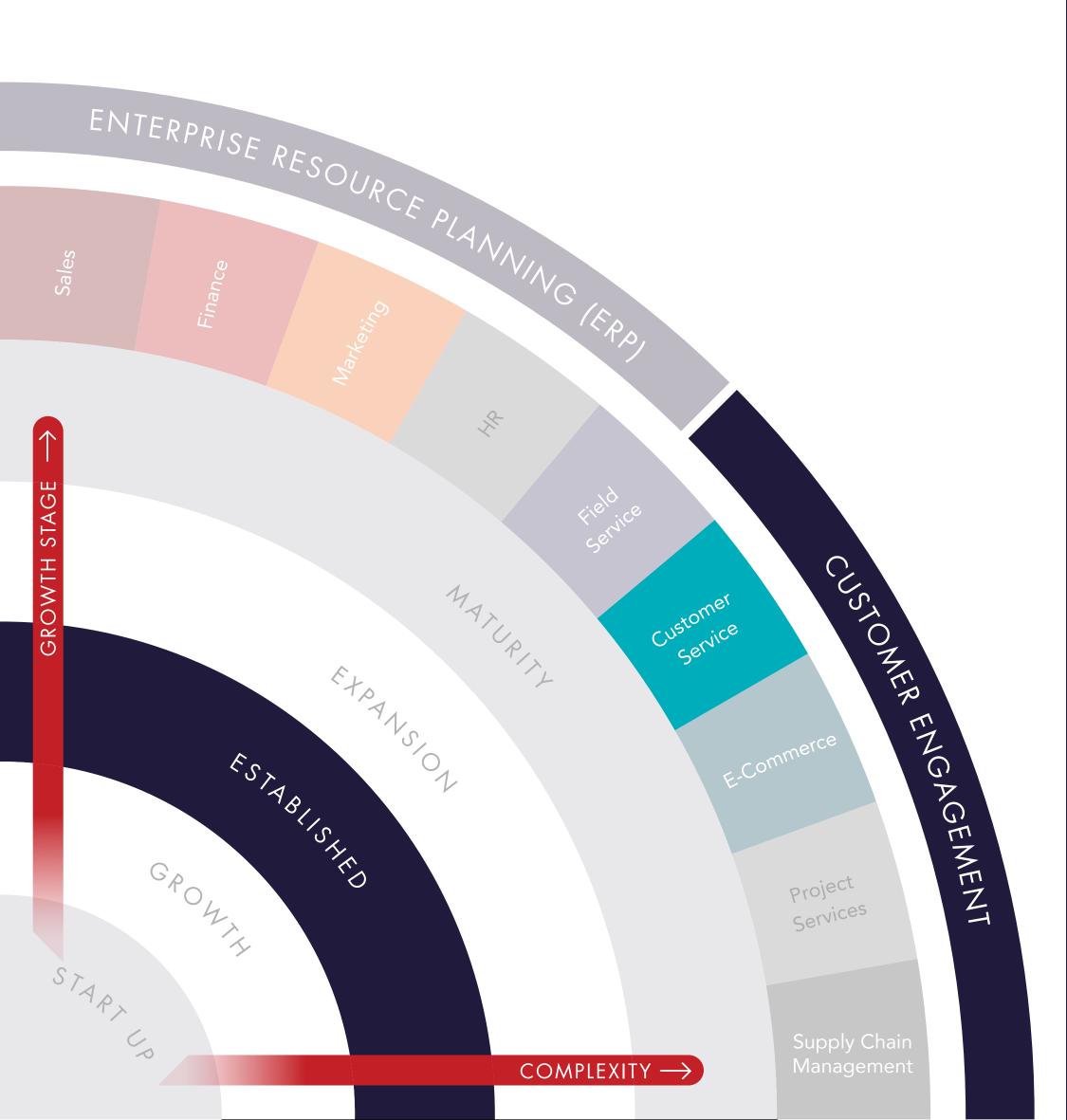
- Work orders
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- Schedule and dispatch
- Schedule board
- Inventory management
- Mobile productivity
- Connected devices

Dynamics 365 Field Service Dynamics 365 Remote Assistant Power Apps





Established / Pain Point 3 / Customer Service / Challenges



CUSTOMER SERVICE: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



Customer Service No way of gathering insights to understand issues and improve customer service

CHALLENGES

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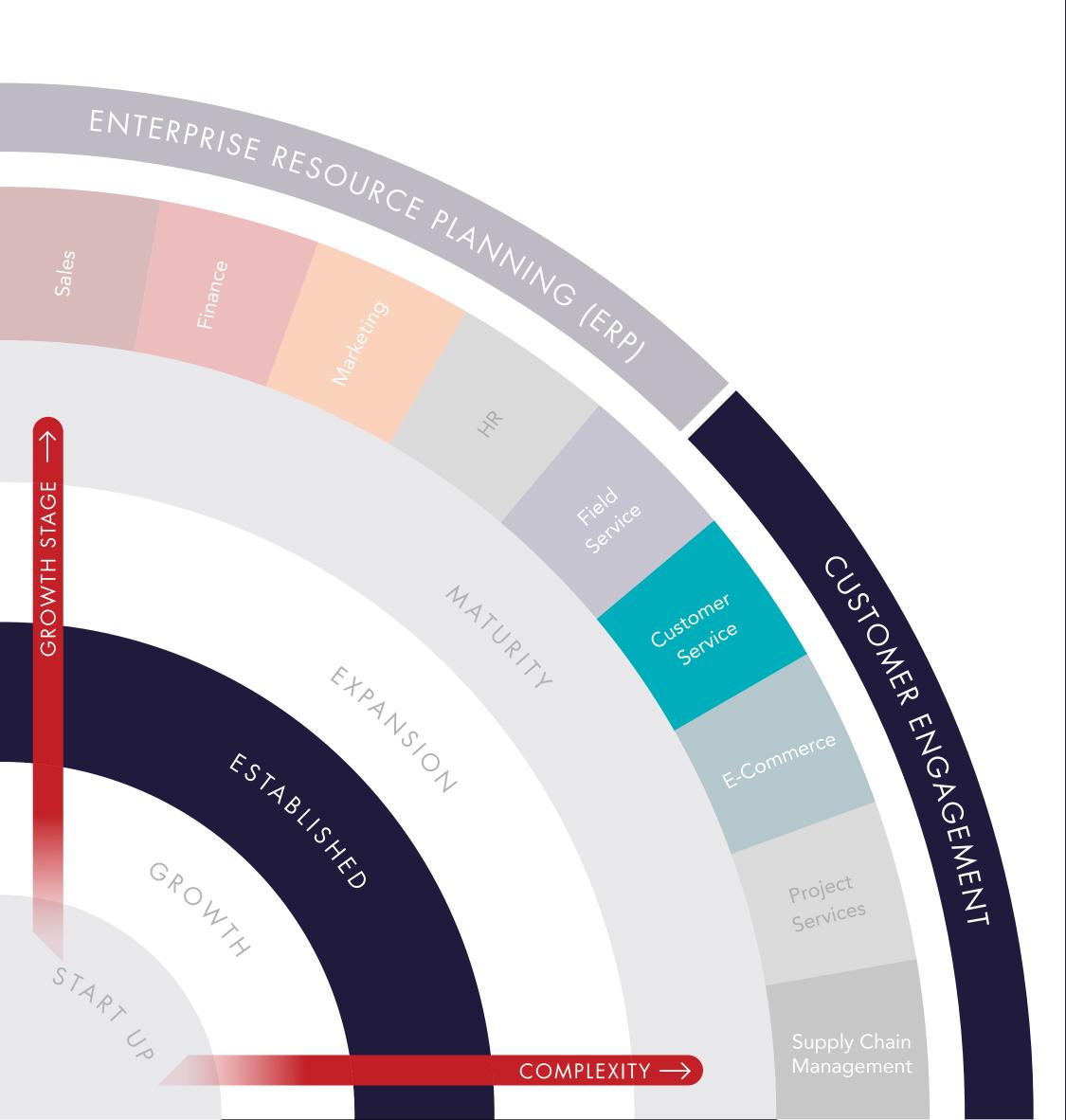
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The CRM capabilities within Dynamics, underpinned by AI, are an ideal platform to help customer service teams deliver seamless, personalised experiences. Dynamics brings all customer touchpoints into one comprehensive view, so agents are empowered to solve problems with a full picture of the situation.





Established / Pain Point 3 / Customer Service / Capabilities



CUSTOMER SERVICE: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



Customer Service No way of gathering insights to understand issues and improve customer service

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Case management

SLA support

Account management

Service automation

Customer web portals

Contract management

Service analytics

Dynamics 365 Customer Service Enterprise

Power Apps

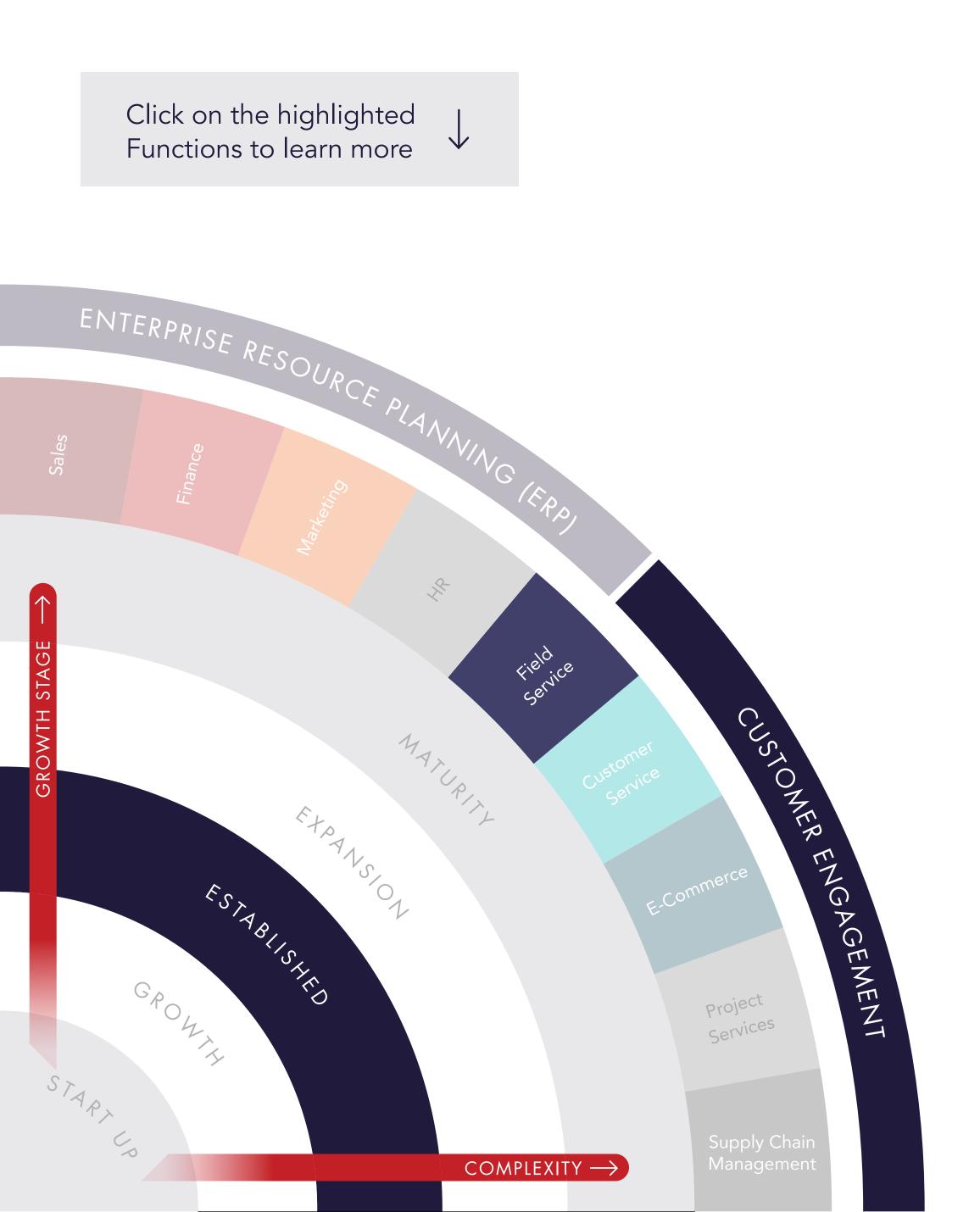
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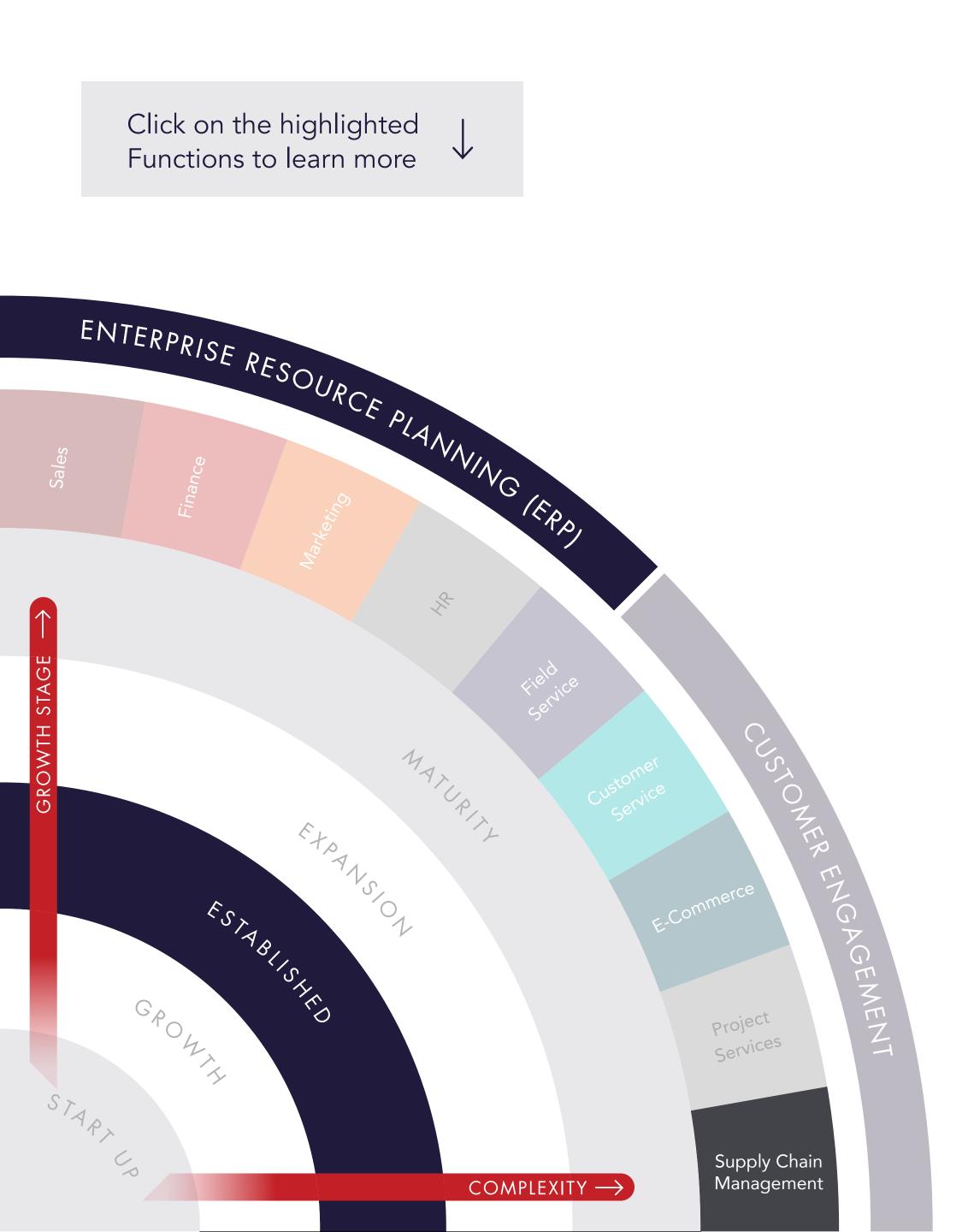
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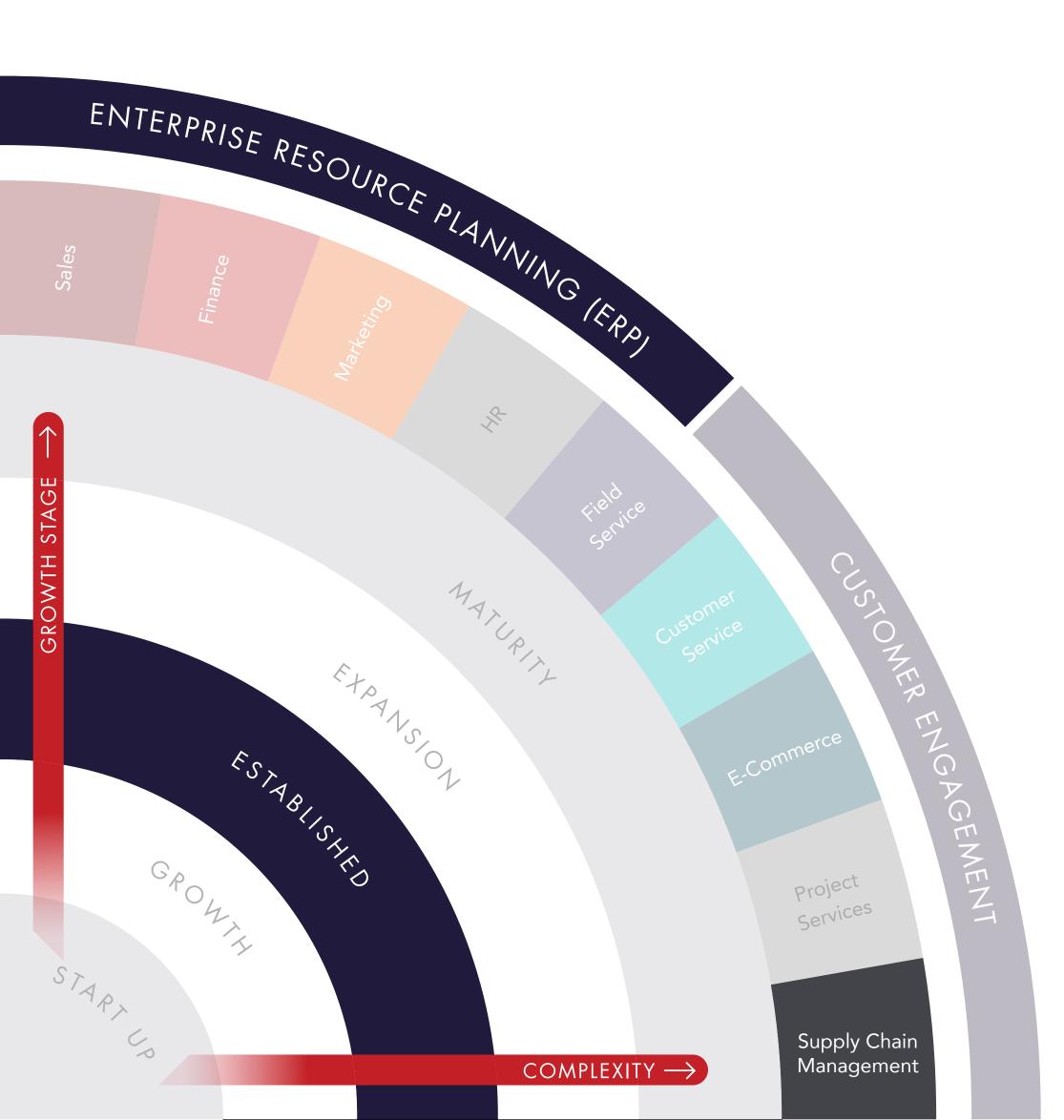
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Established / Pain Point 5 / Supply Chain Management / Challenges



SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



5 Supply Chain Management Long lead times, inefficiency and lack of transparency in the supply chain

CHALLENGES

Without real-time information, it's difficult to efficiently manage logistics and supply chain operations. Maintenance ends up being reactive rather than proactive, stock levels have to be recorded manually (an error-prone process), and customers end up being given inaccurate delivery times. Without end-to-end visibility of the supply chain and warehousing operations, improvements can only be based on intuition.

Many businesses also have disparate or disconnected procurement systems, particularly as they grow across territories. This makes it difficult to spot cost inefficiencies.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

With machine-learning-enhanced warehouse management through Dynamics, your clients can accurately report and forecast stock levels, helping them to move from a reactive to proactive supply chain operation. Dynamics also integrates IoT devices, so they can fix issues in advance to prevent downtime and extend the life of equipment.

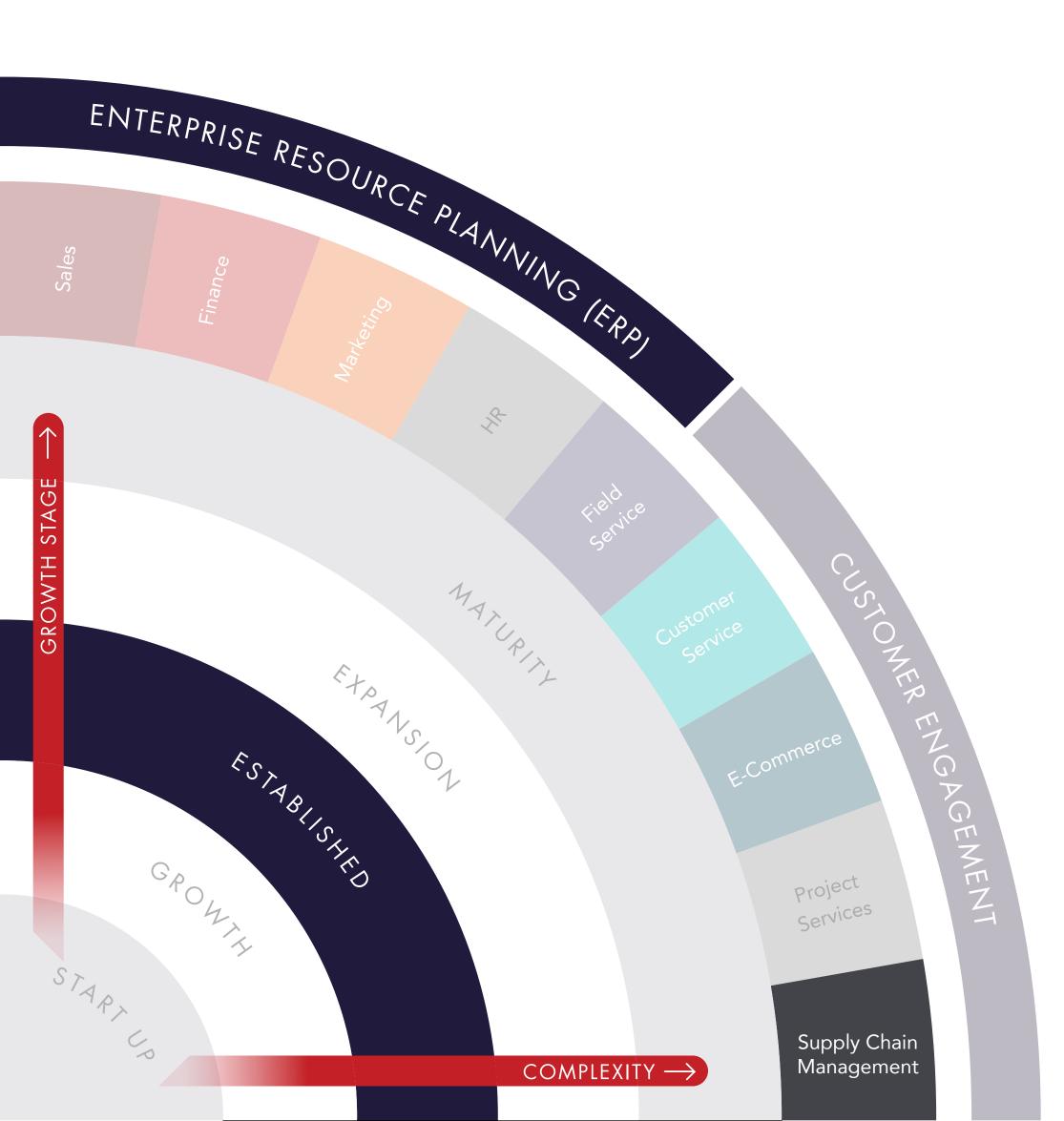
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Established / Pain Point 5 / Supply Chain Management / Capabilities



SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



Supply Chain Management Long lead times, inefficiency and lack of transparency in the supply chain

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Asset management

Inventory management

Production central

Procurement and sourcing

Transportation

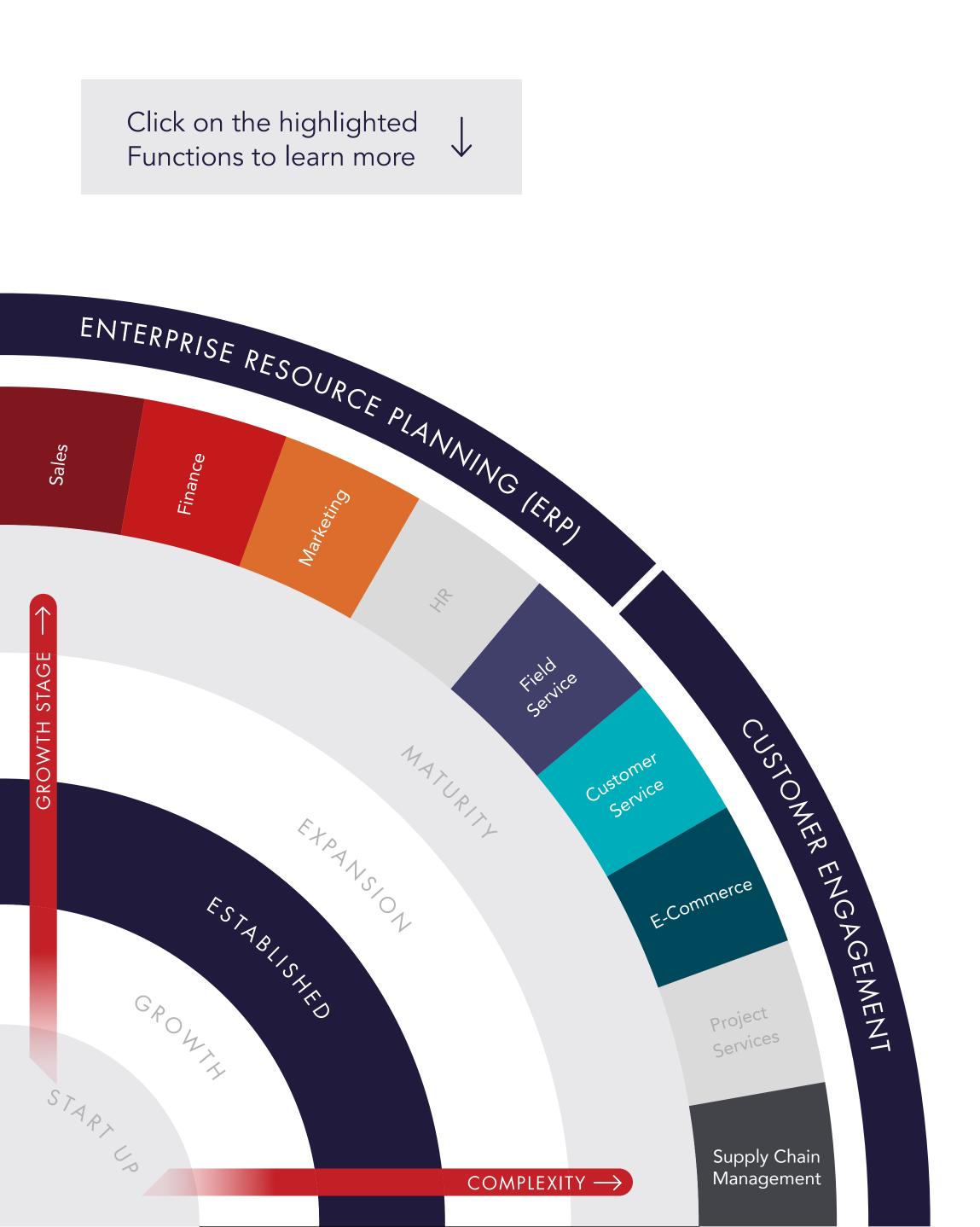
Warehouse management

Fleet management

Dynamics 365 Supply Chain Management







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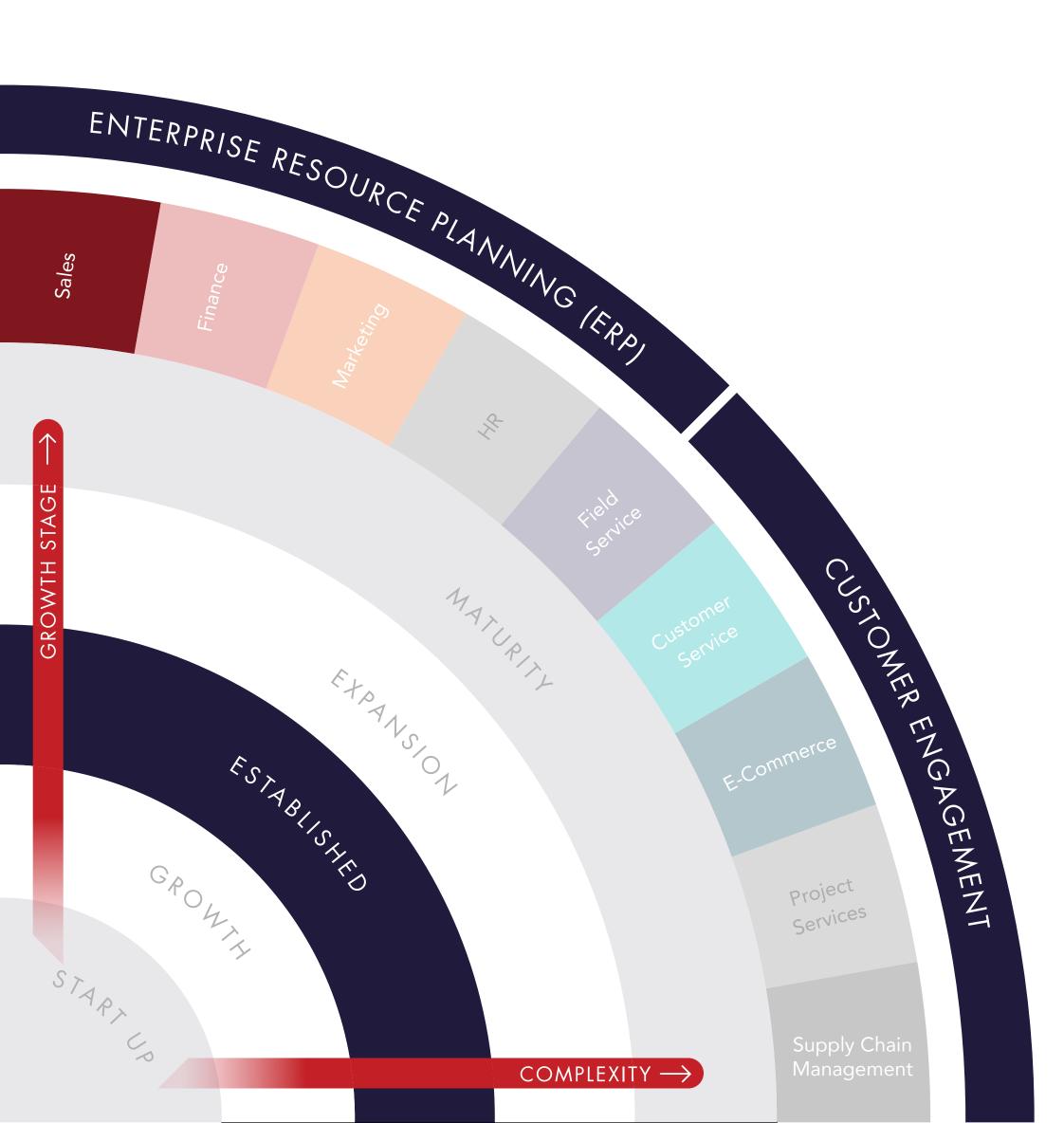
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Established / Pain Point 6 / Sales / Challenges



SALES: ESTABLISHED

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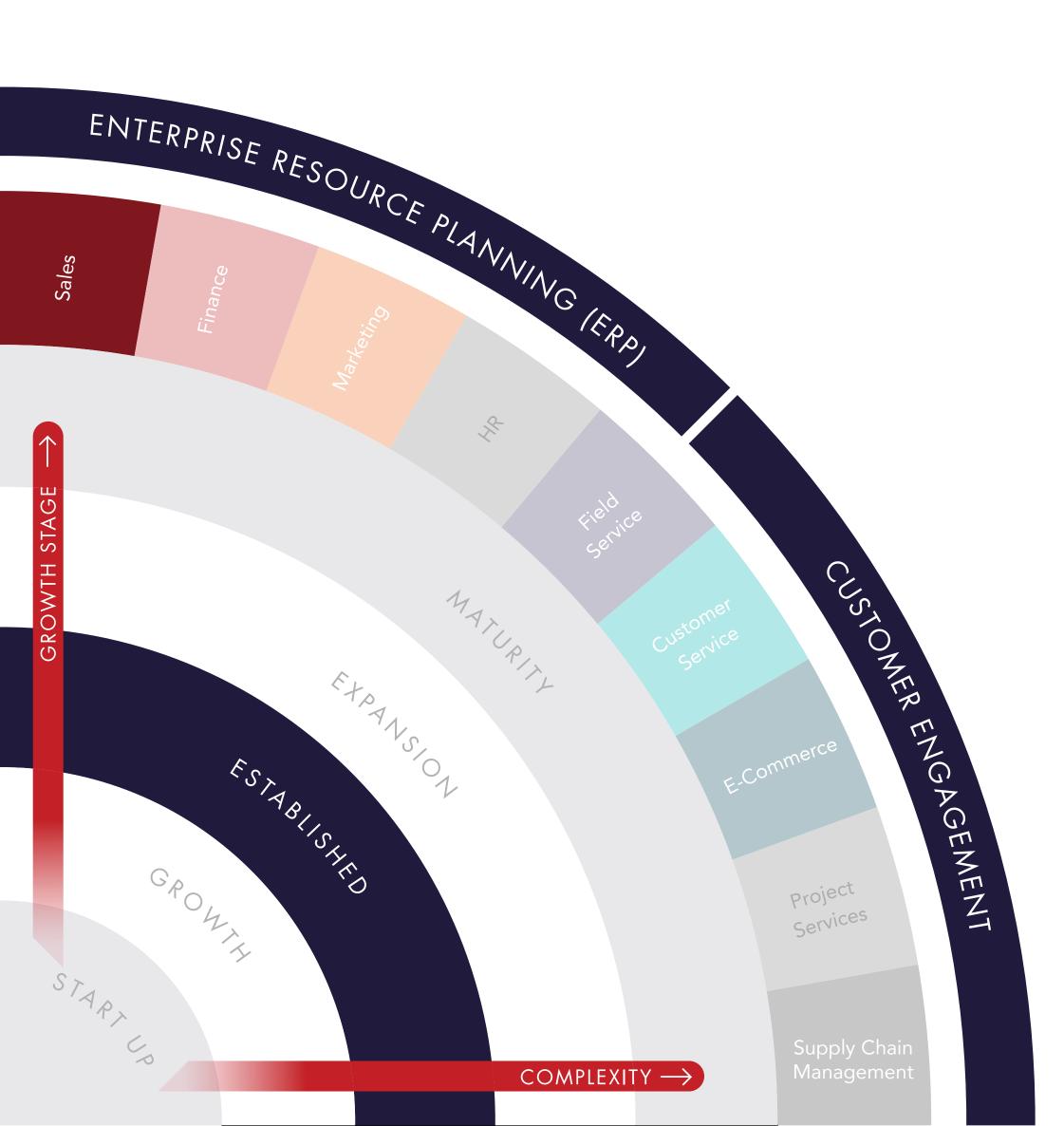
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SALES: ESTABLISHED

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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Lead management Opportunity management Pipeline forecasting Sales automation Quote management Marketing lists

Email marketing

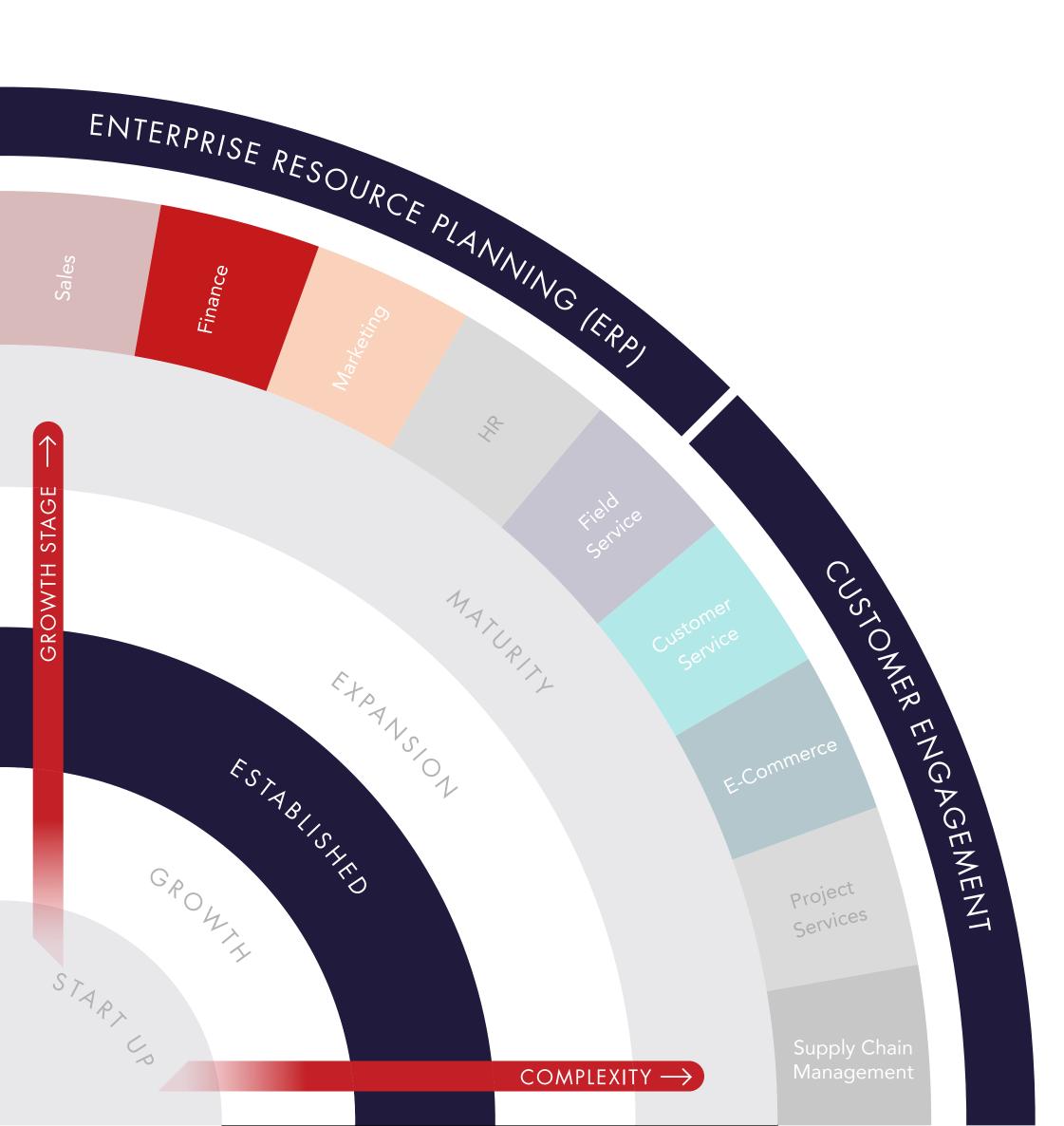
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Established / Pain Point 6 / Finance / Challenges



FINANCE: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



Finance

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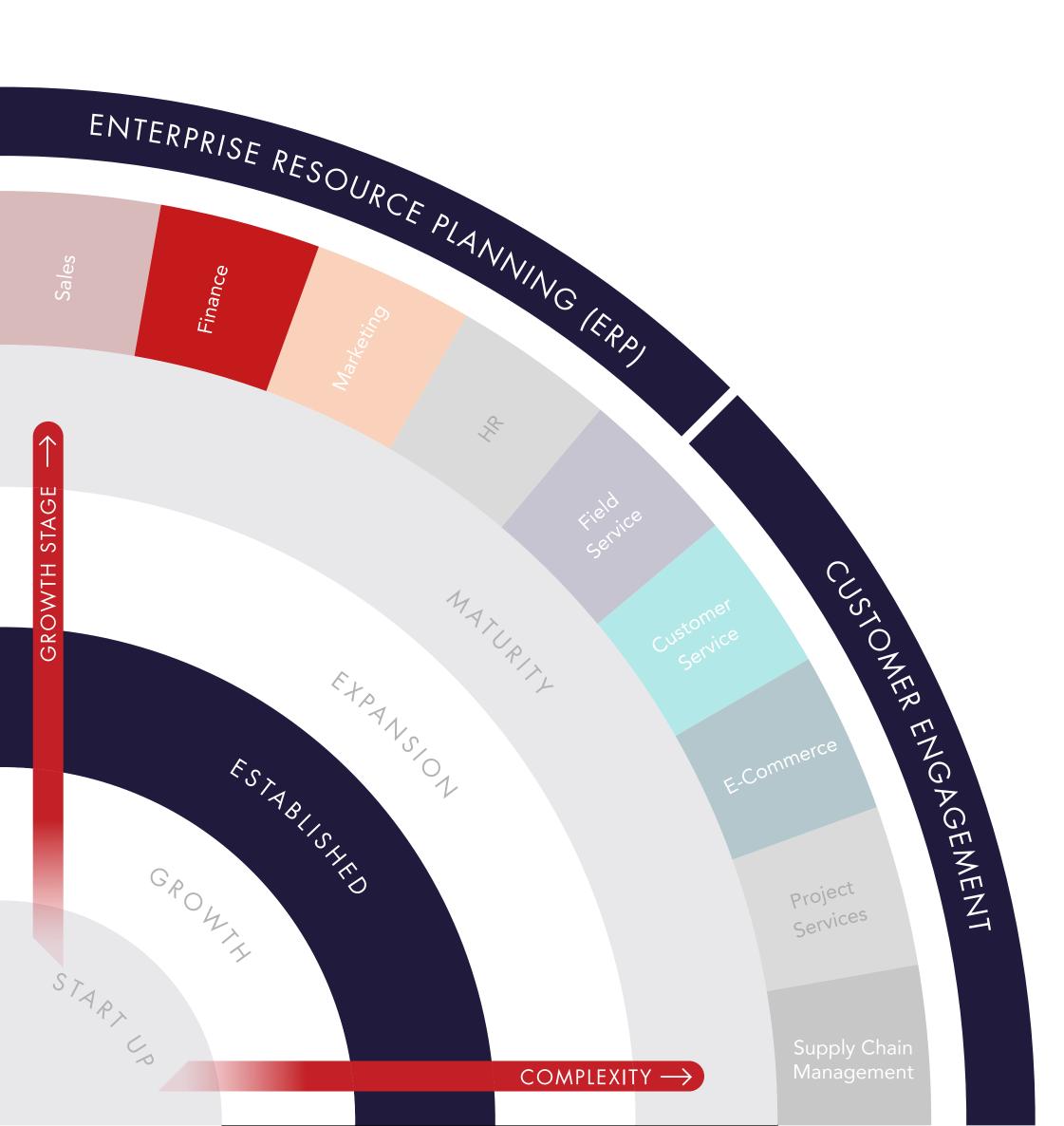
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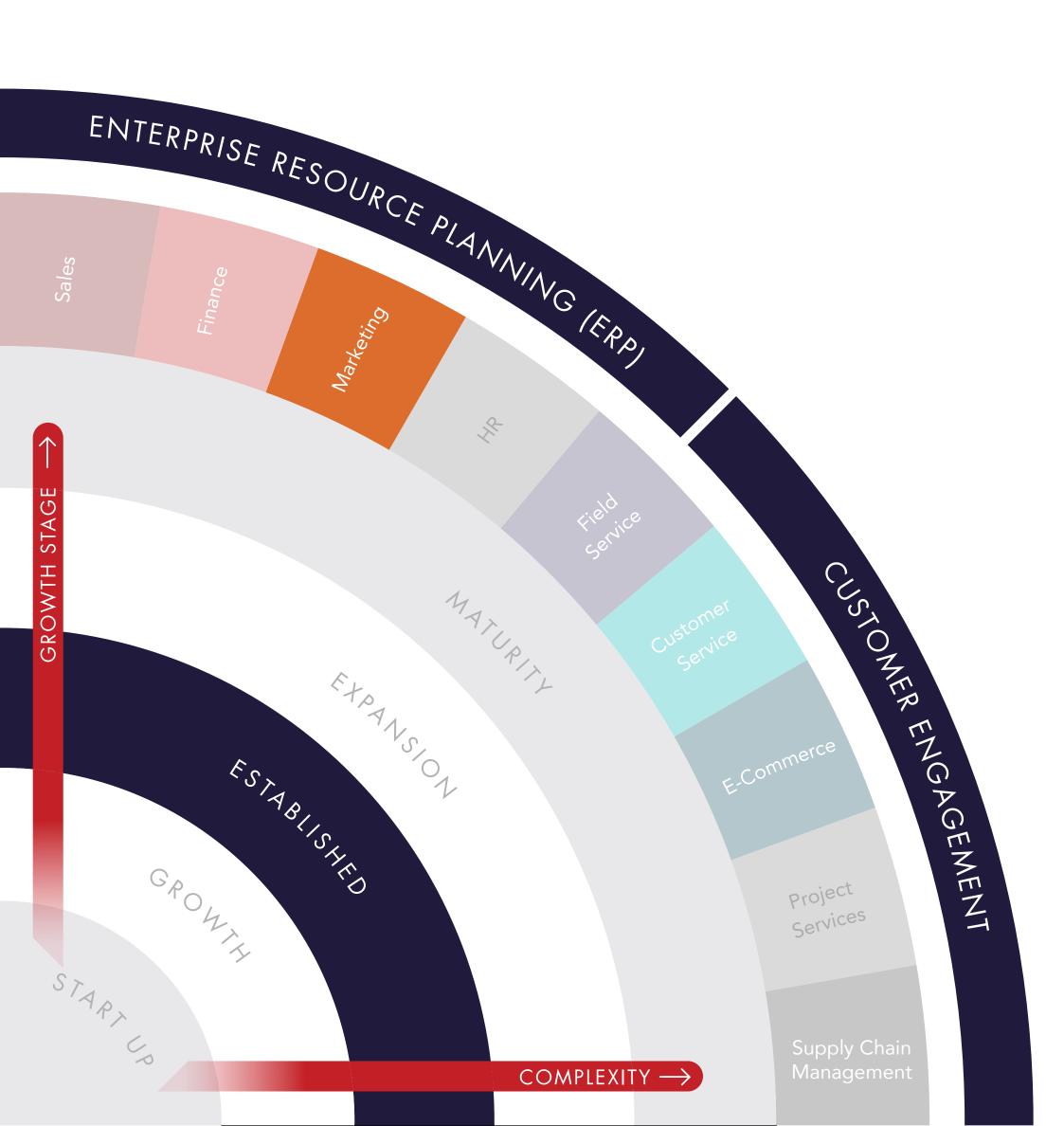
Dynamics 365 for Finance







Established / Pain Point 6 / Marketing / Challenges



MARKETING: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



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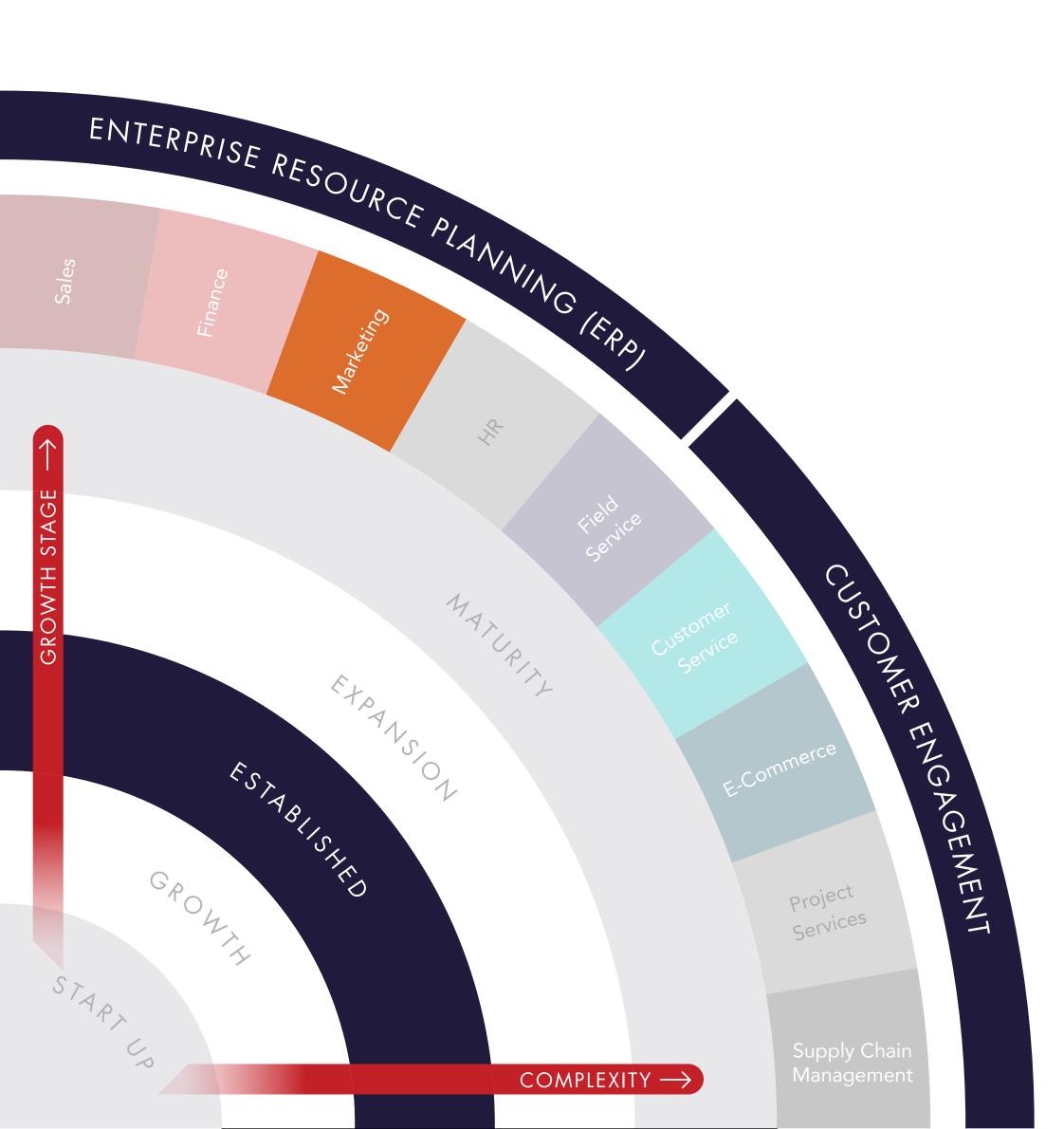
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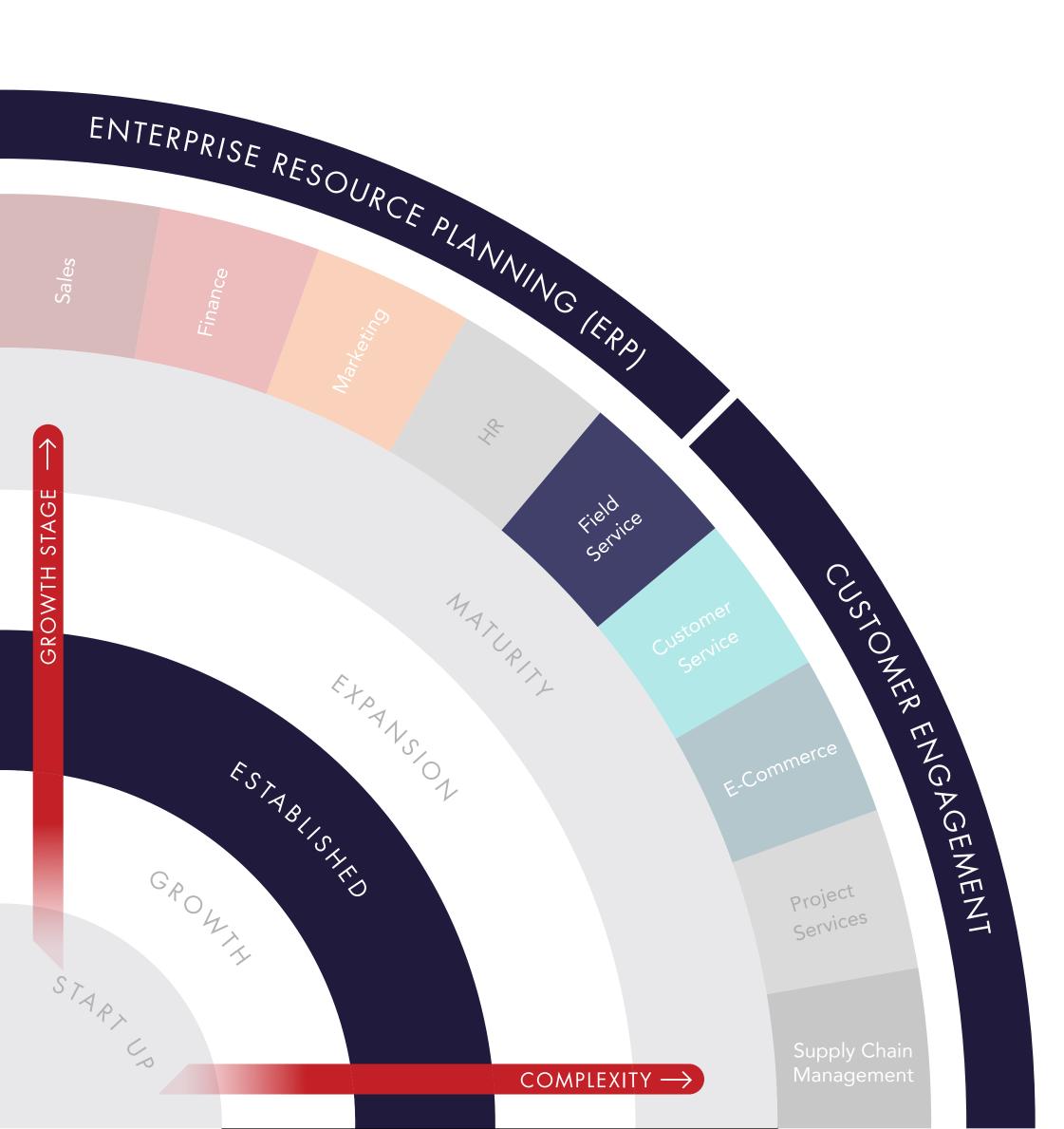
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Established / Pain Point 6 / Field Service / Challenges



FIELD SERVICE: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS

Field Service

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CHALLENGES

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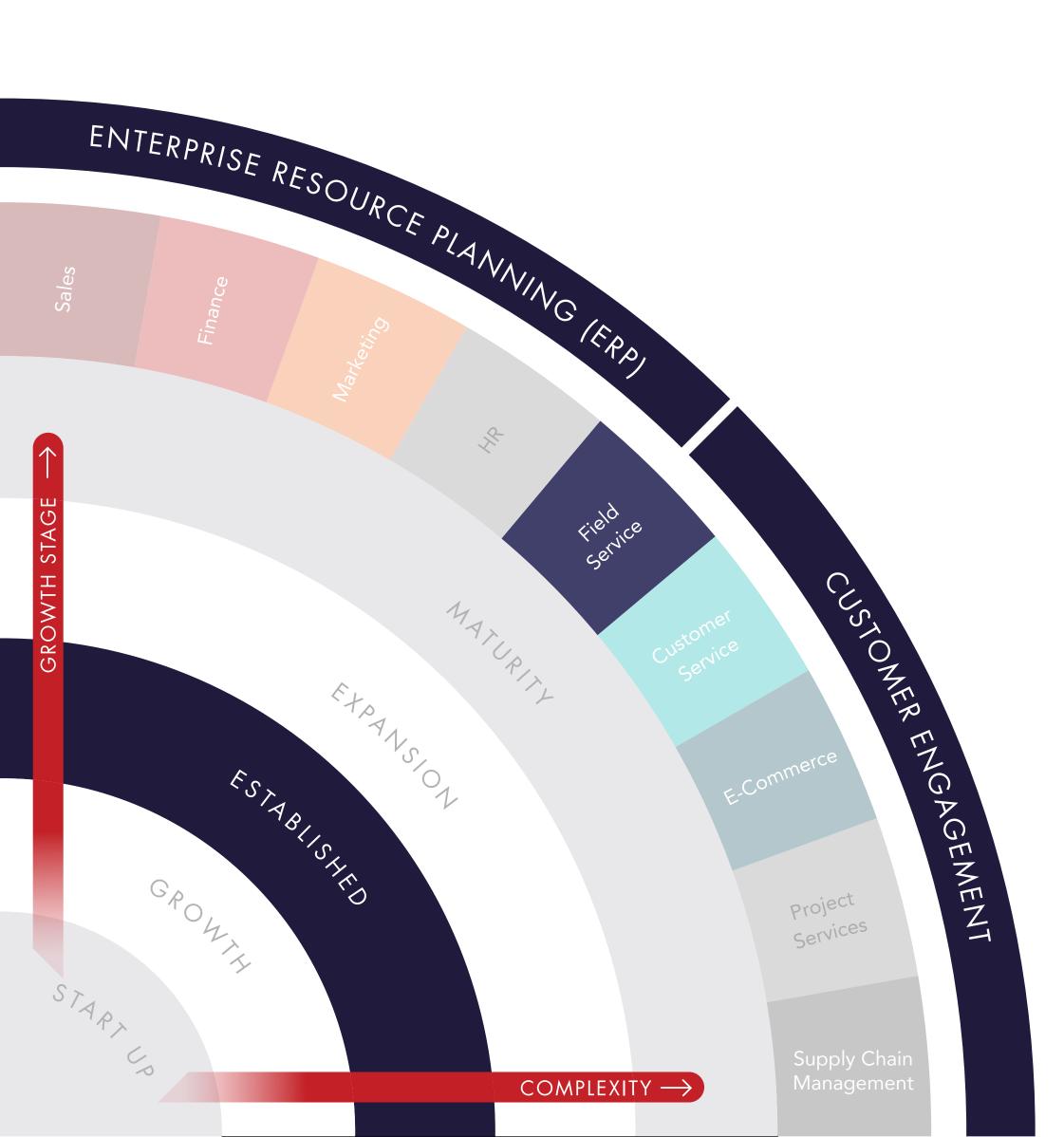
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FIELD SERVICE: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



Field Service

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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Work orders

Service agreements

Schedule and dispatch

Schedule board

Inventory management

Mobile productivity

Connected devices

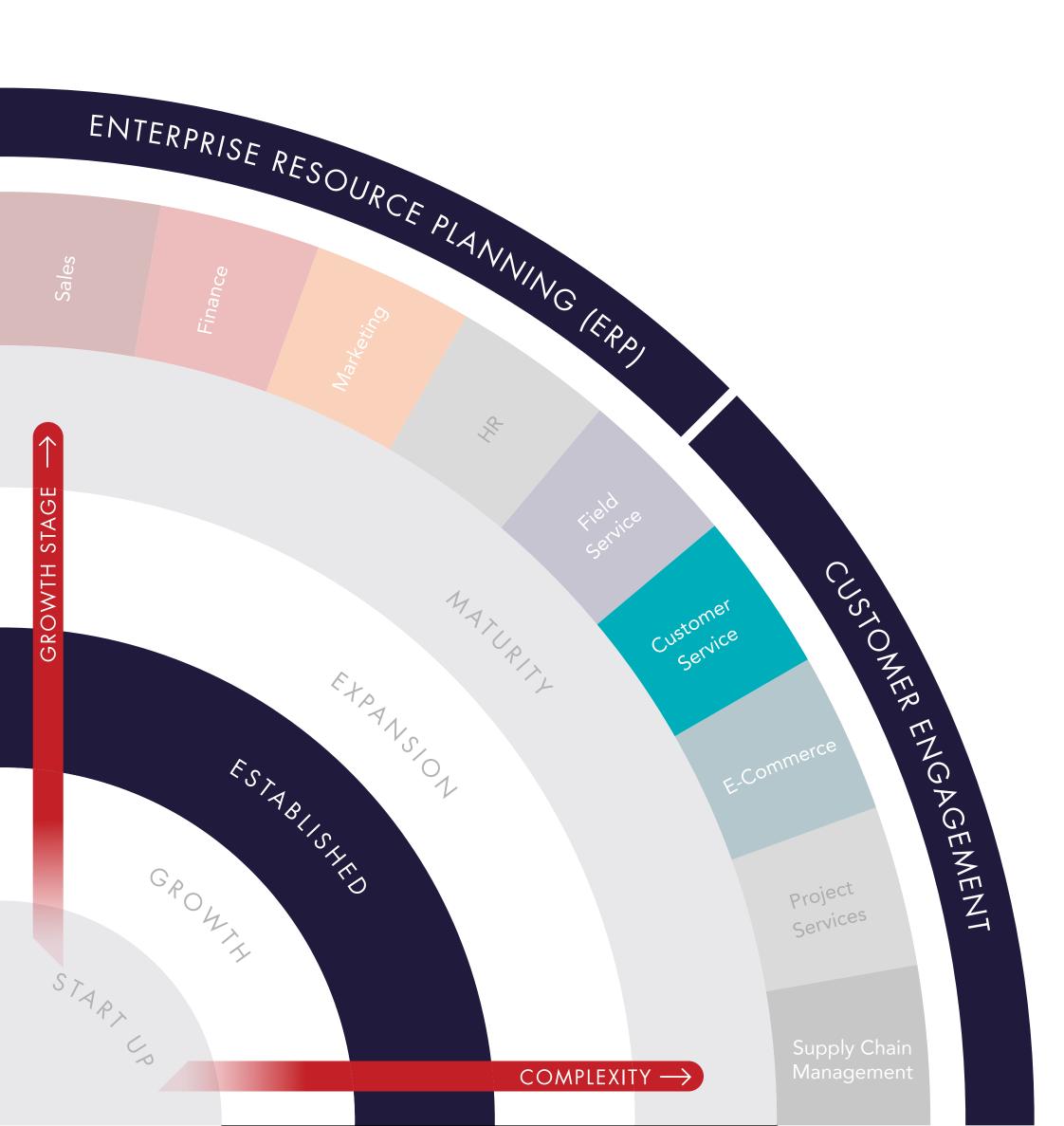
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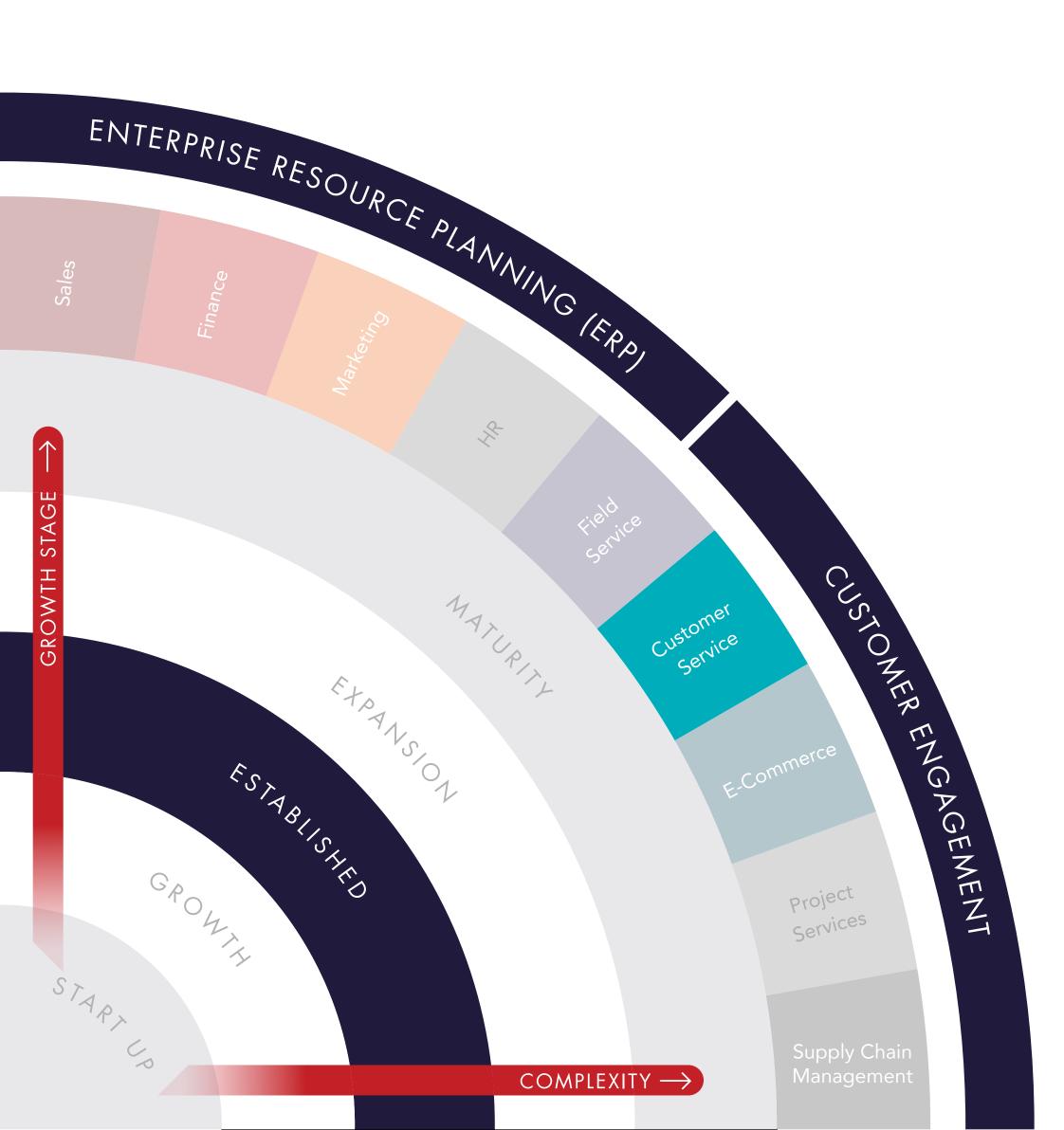
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Established / Pain Point 6 / Customer Service / Capabilities



CUSTOMER SERVICE: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



Customer Service High operational costs and overly complex processes across the whole business

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Case management

SLA support

Account management

Service automation

Customer web portals

Contract management

Service analytics

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Power Apps

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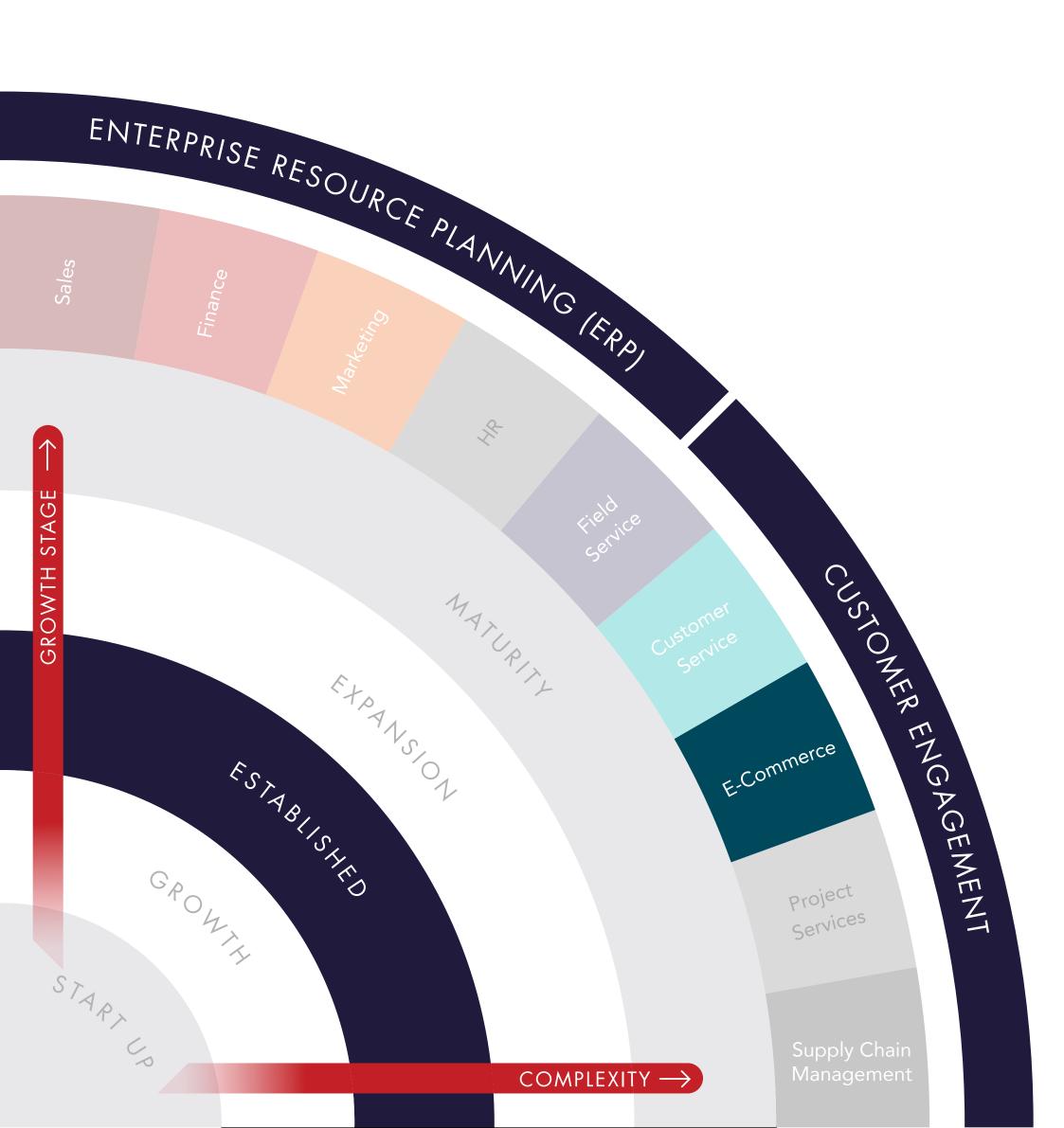
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Established / Pain Point 6 / E-Commerce / Challenges



E-COMMERCE: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



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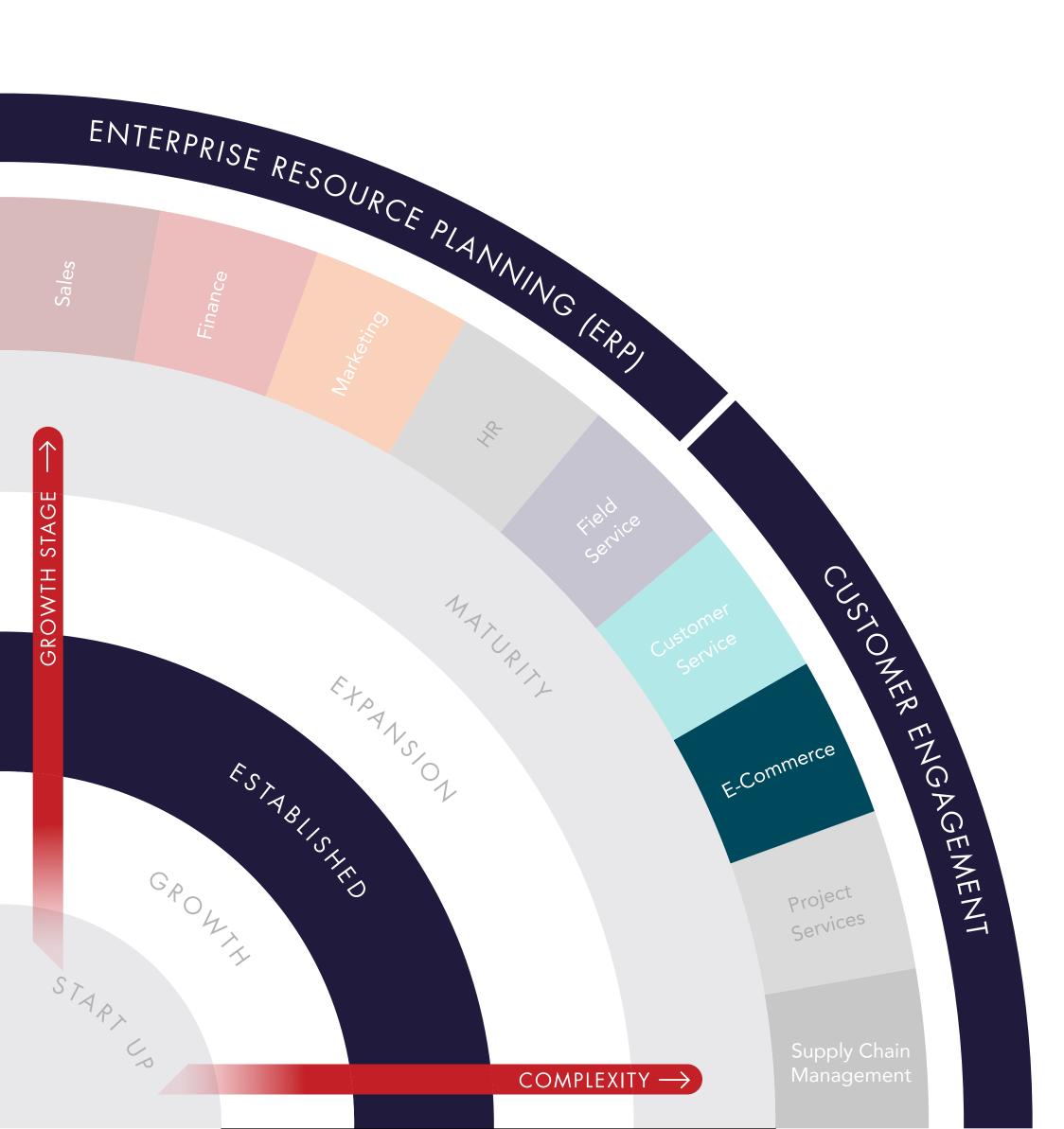


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Stores management

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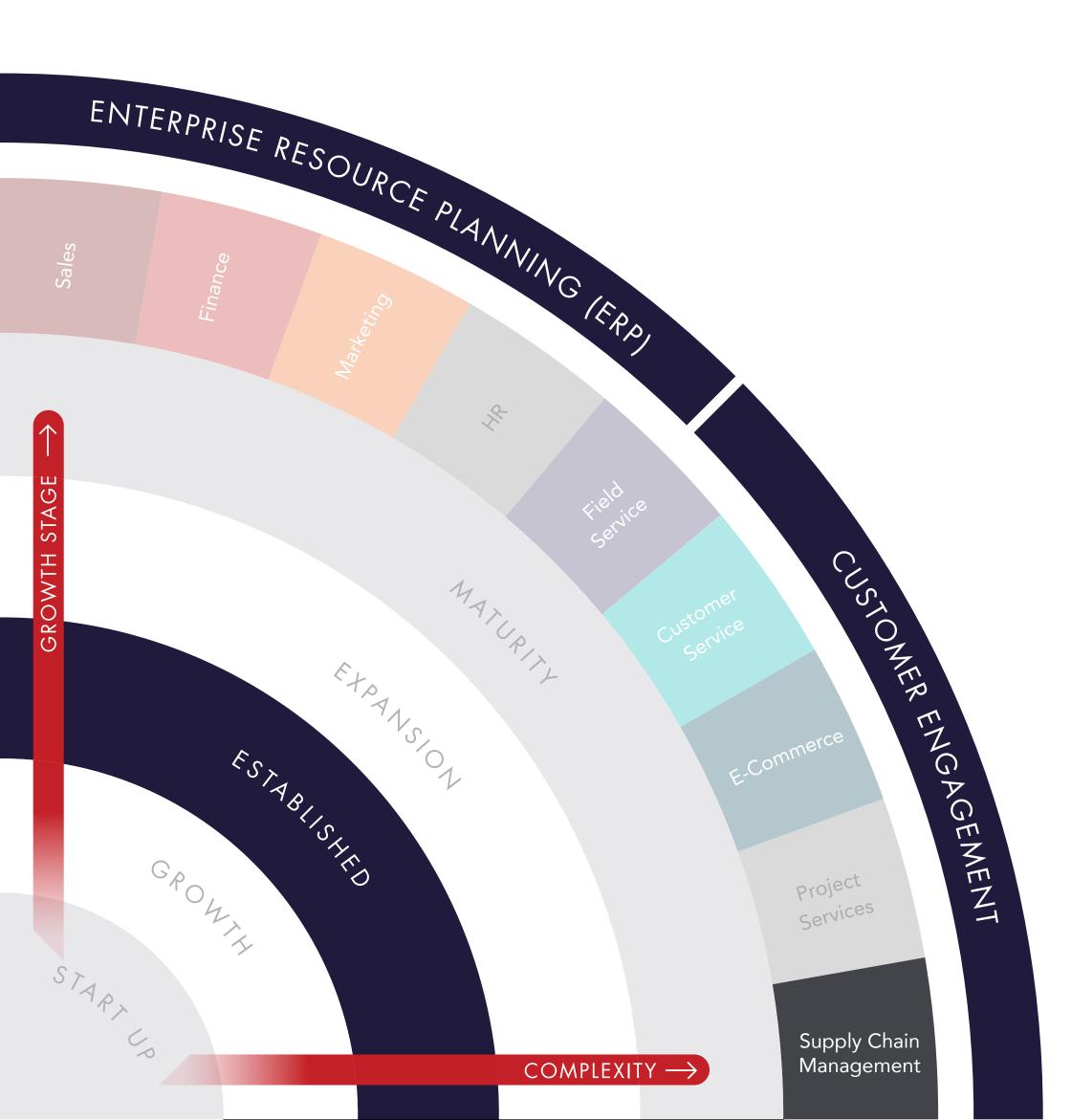
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Established / Pain Point 6 / Supply Chain Management / Challenges



SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: ESTABLISHED

PAIN POINTS



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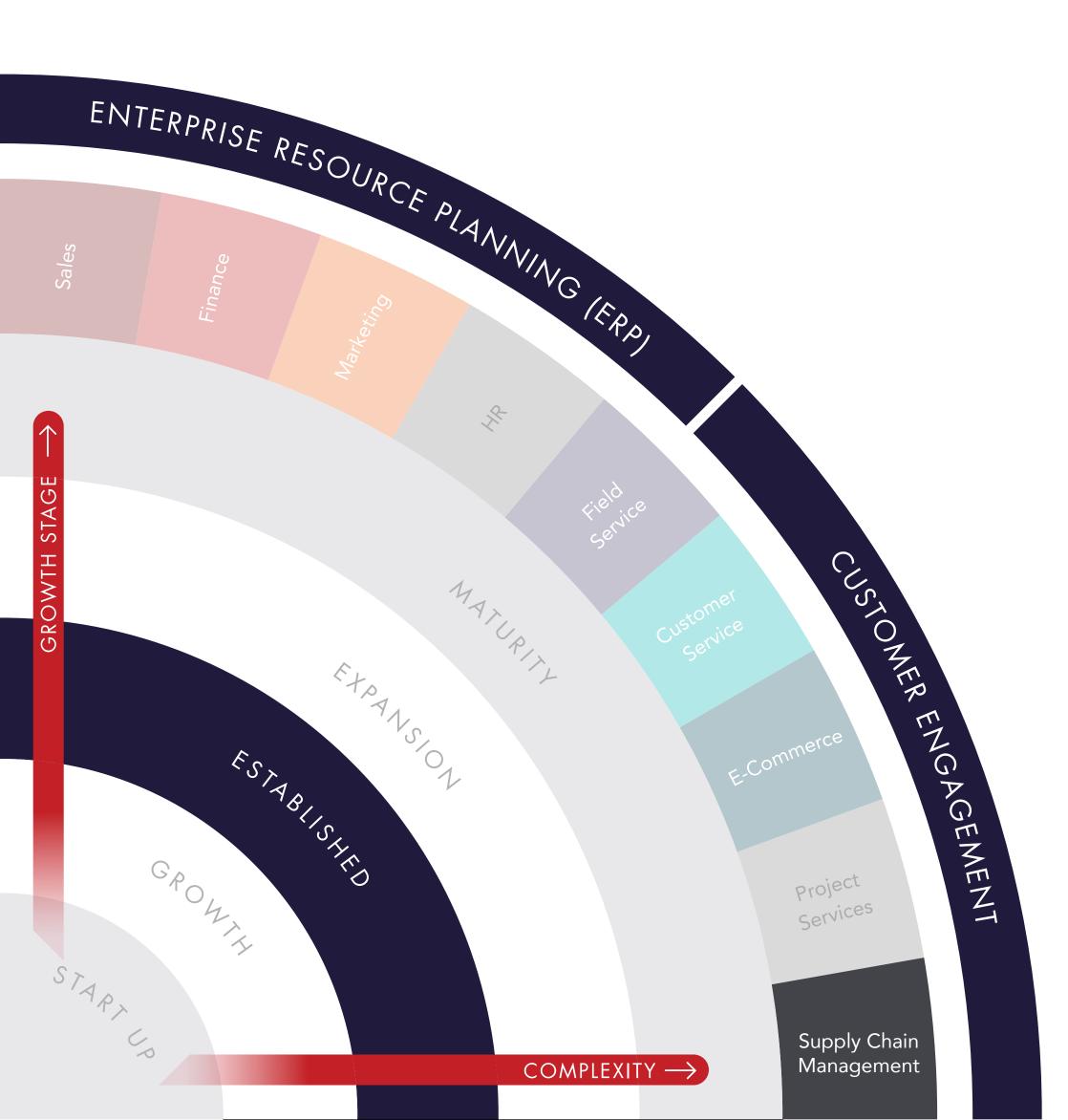
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Established / Pain Point 6 / Supply Chain Management / Capabilities



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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Asset management

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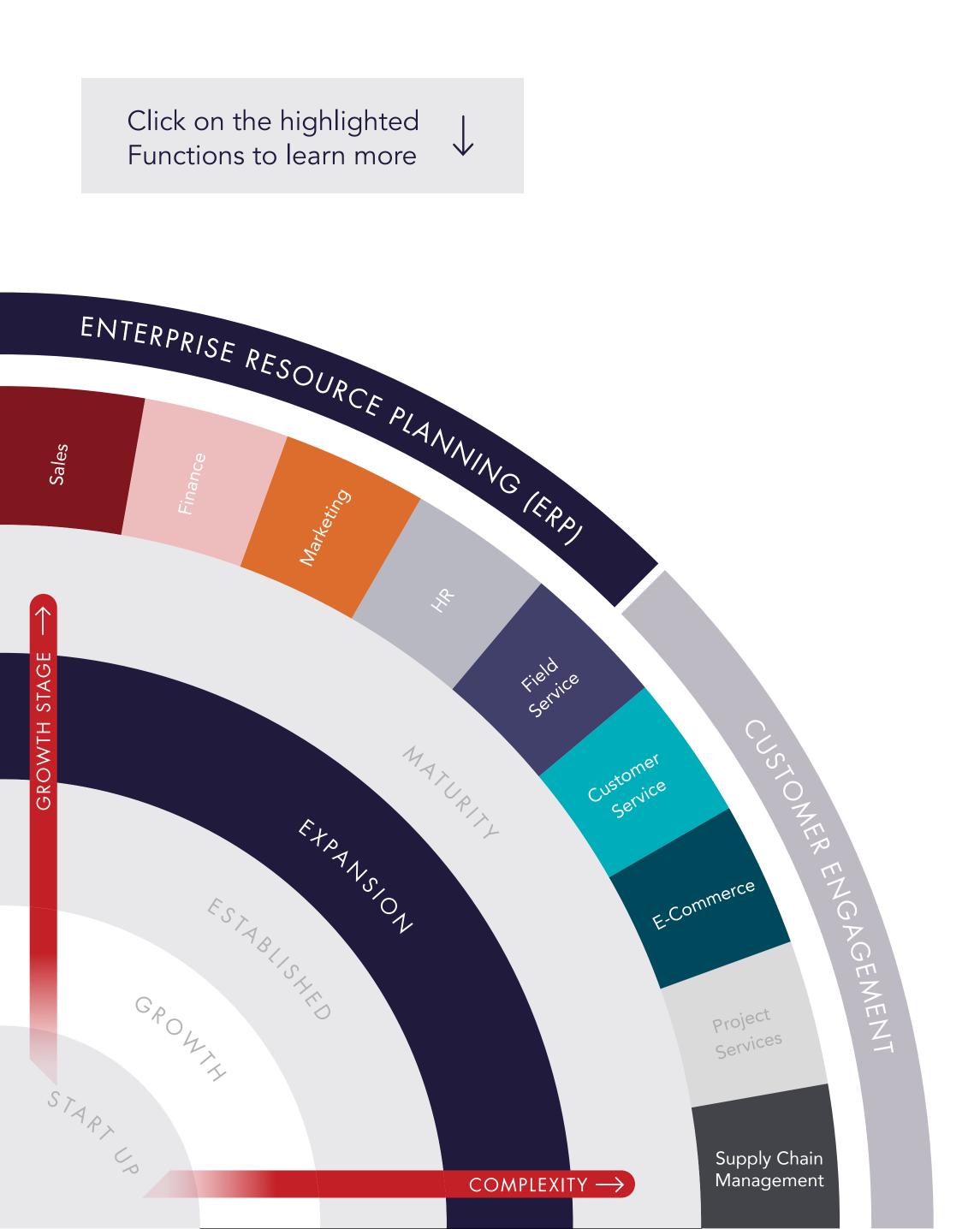
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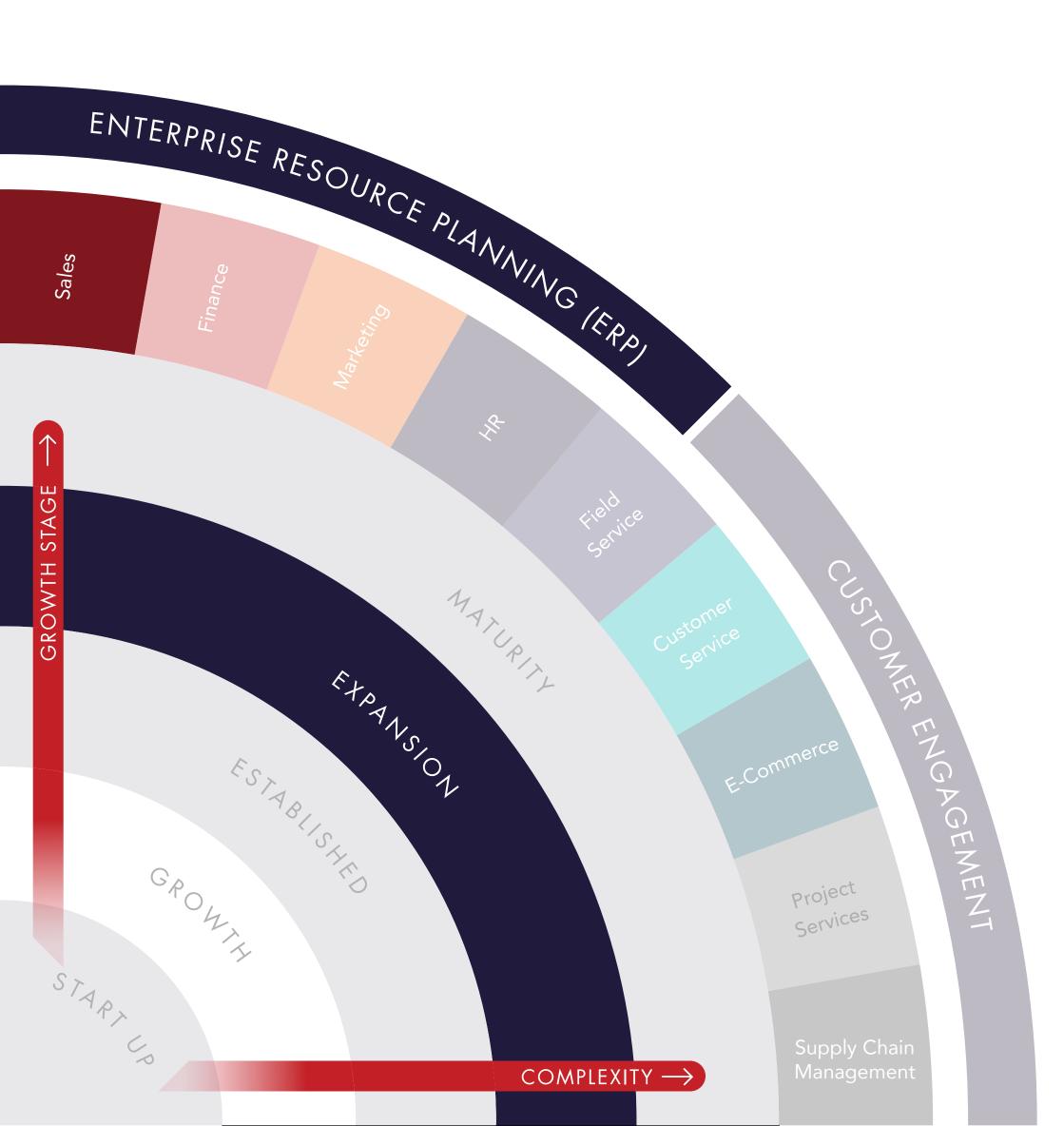


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Expansion / Pain Point 1 / Sales / Challenges



SALES: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



Sales

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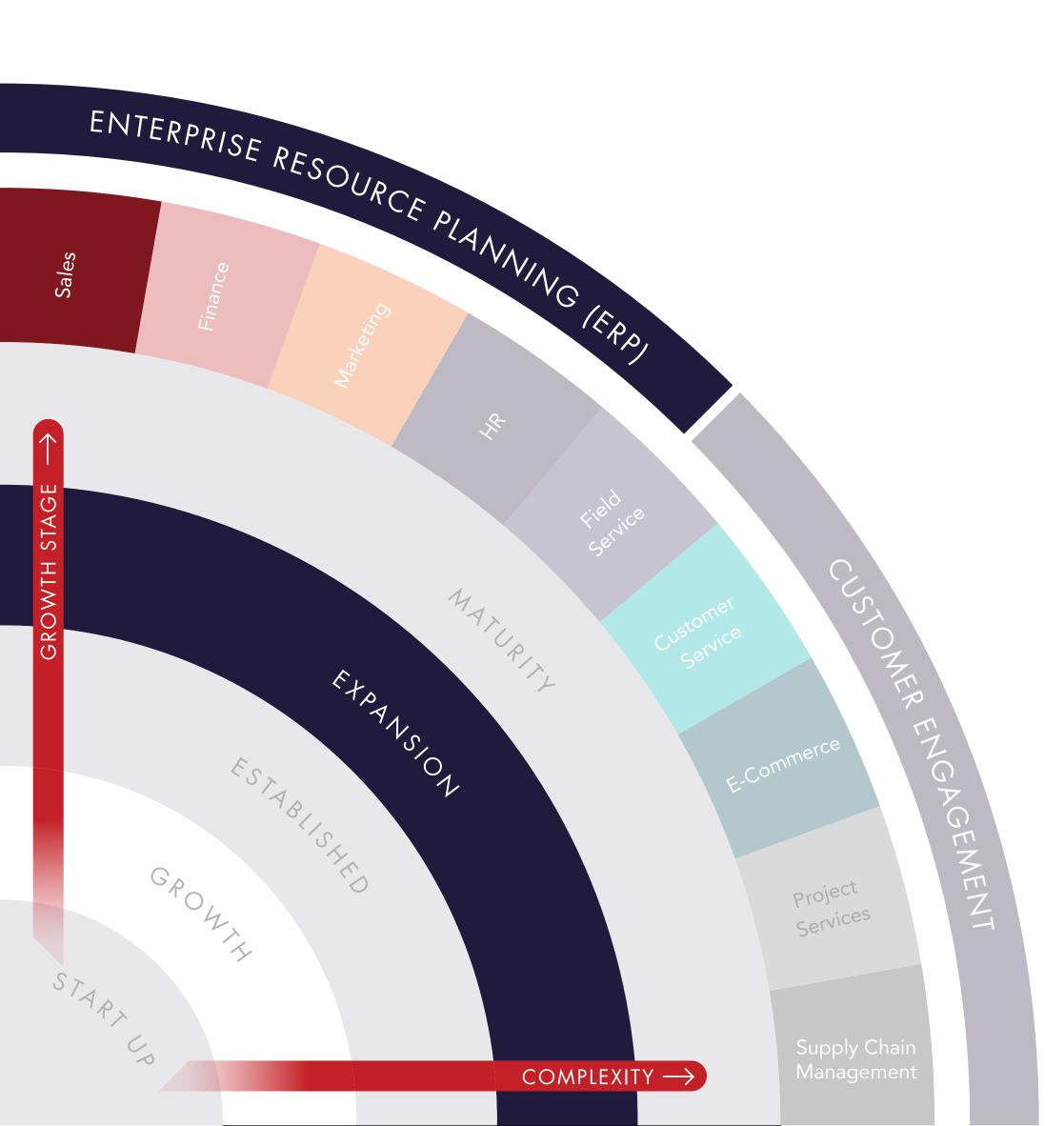
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Expansion / Pain Point 1 / Sales / Capabilities



SALES: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



Sales

Not knowing which markets to expand into, or how to scale to fulfil their needs

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Lead management

Opportunity management

Pipeline forecasting

Sales automation

Quote management

Marketing lists

Email marketing

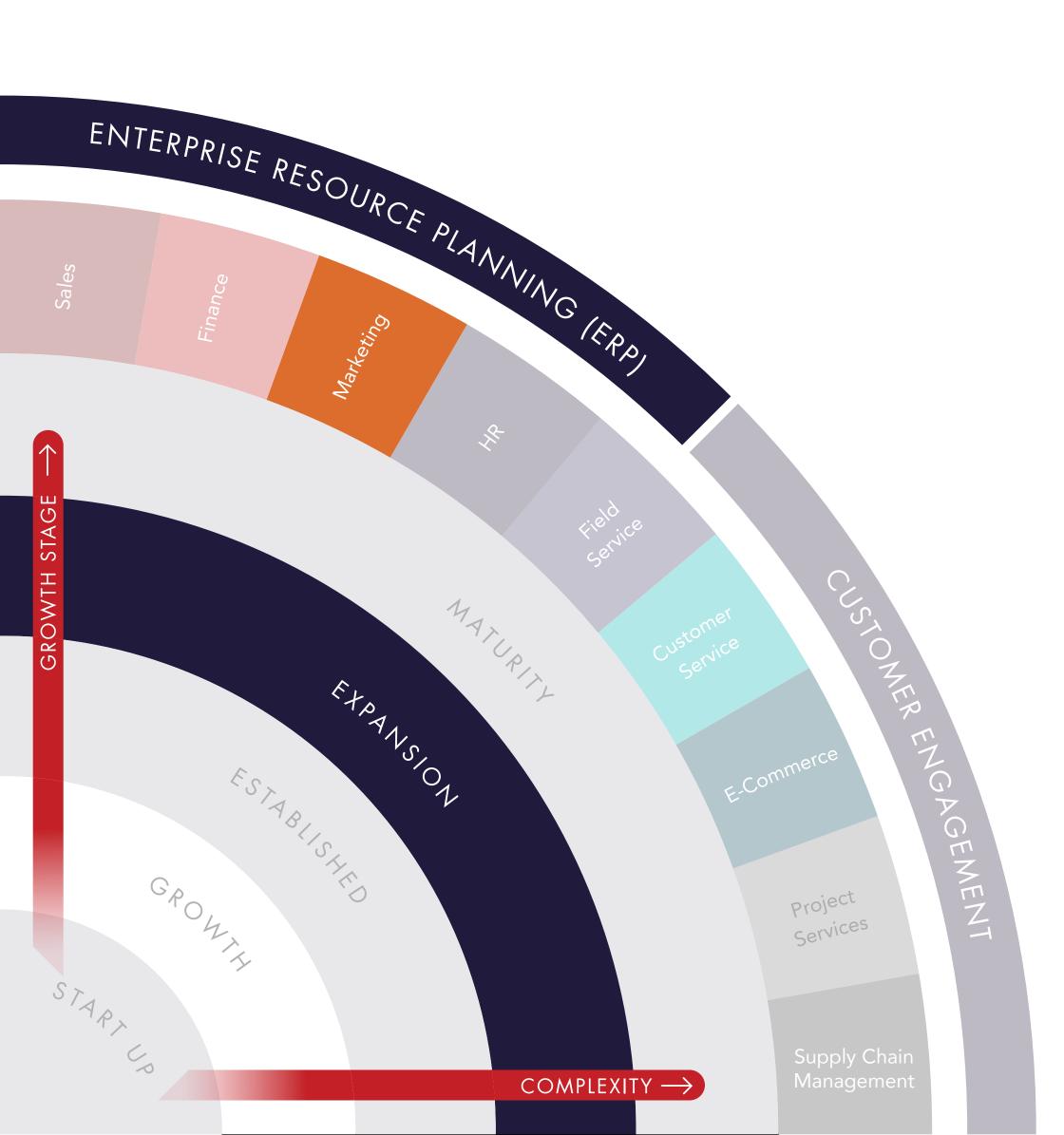
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Expansion / Pain Point 1, 4 / Marketing / Challenges



MARKETING: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



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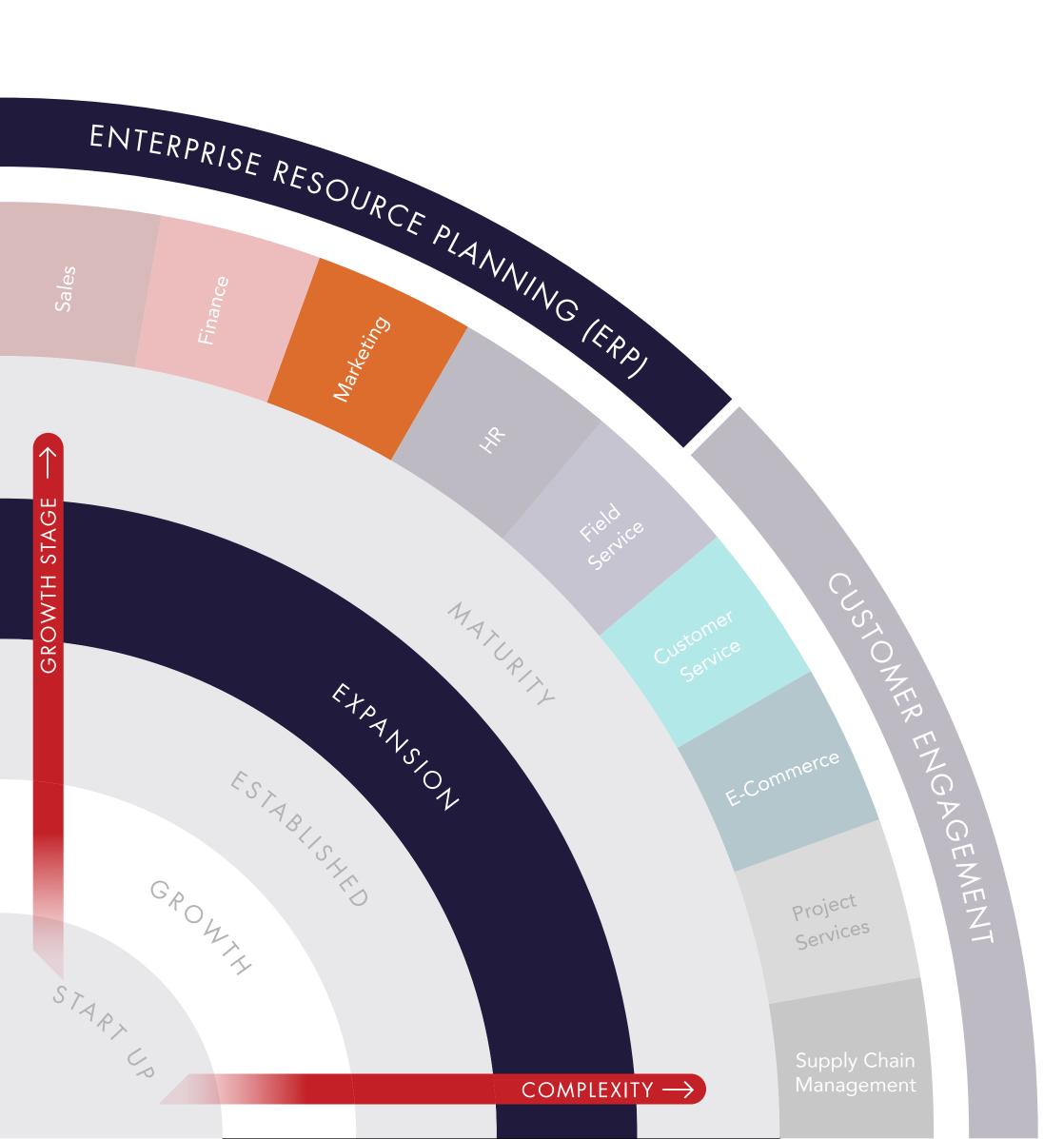
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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

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- Lead scoring
- Market segmentation
- Customer journeys
- Event management
- Connector for LinkedIn
- Lead generation forms

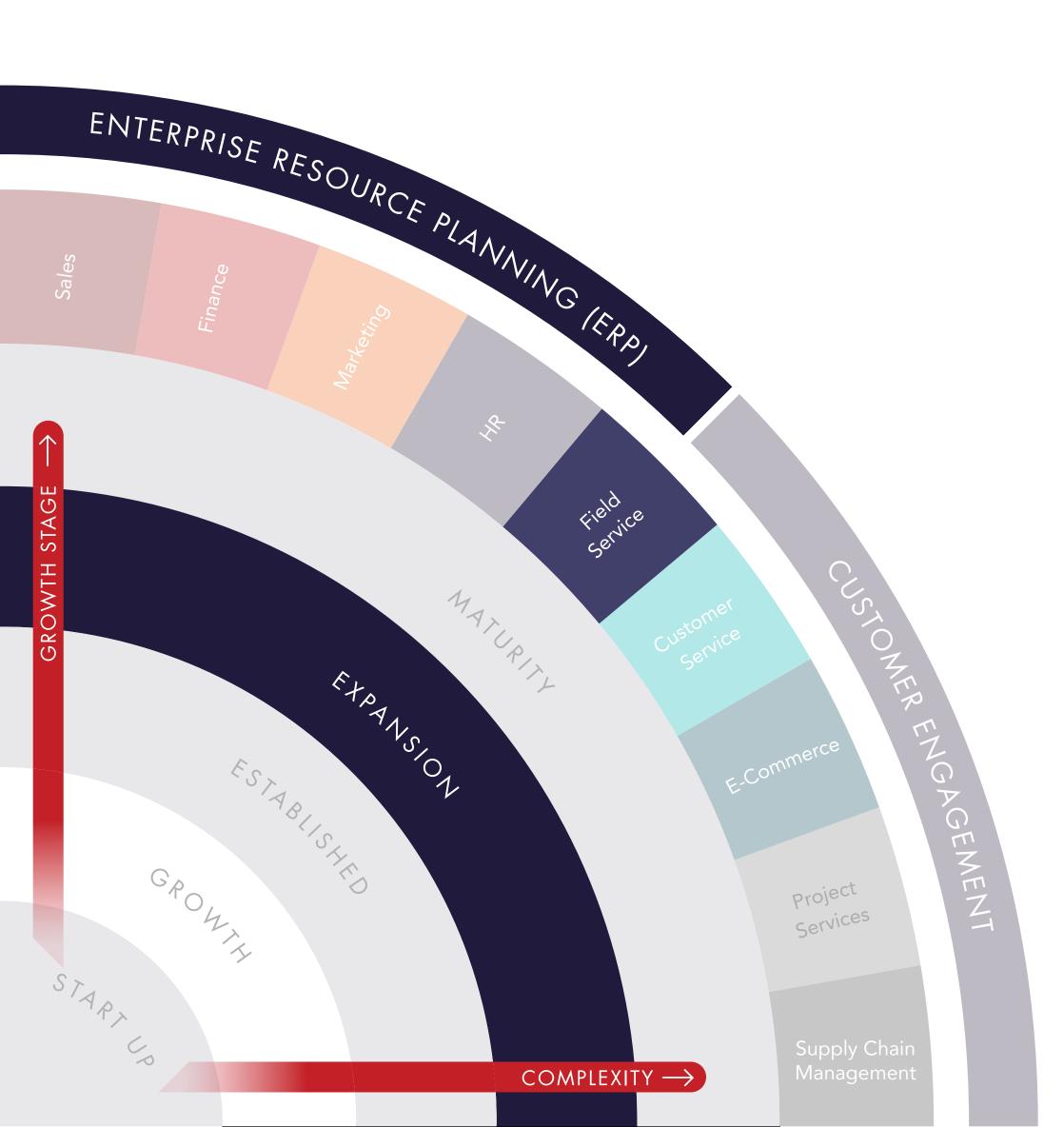
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Expansion / Pain Point 1 / Field Service / Challenges



FIELD SERVICE: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS

Field Service Not knowing which markets to expand into, or how to scale to fulfil their needs

CHALLENGES

When you're out solving customer issues in the field, you need the information and the flexibility to come up with solutions on the fly. Many teams don't have access to the right tools to support technicians, or effective customer insight collection systems, and that makes it very difficult to prioritise faults or offer a triage service. Agents are forced to be reactive, rather than proactively finding fixes in advance.

Without accurate, real-time data, co-ordinators can also struggle to schedule field agents with the right skillsets at the right times, and customers don't always receive appropriate levels of communication throughout the process. All of this can have a negative impact on customer experiences.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

With effective information management through Dynamics, field service teams can get the right person to the right place at the right time with the right skills and equipment. That's thanks to effective scheduling processes and powerful analytics, making it easier to predict, detect and resolve issues in advance.

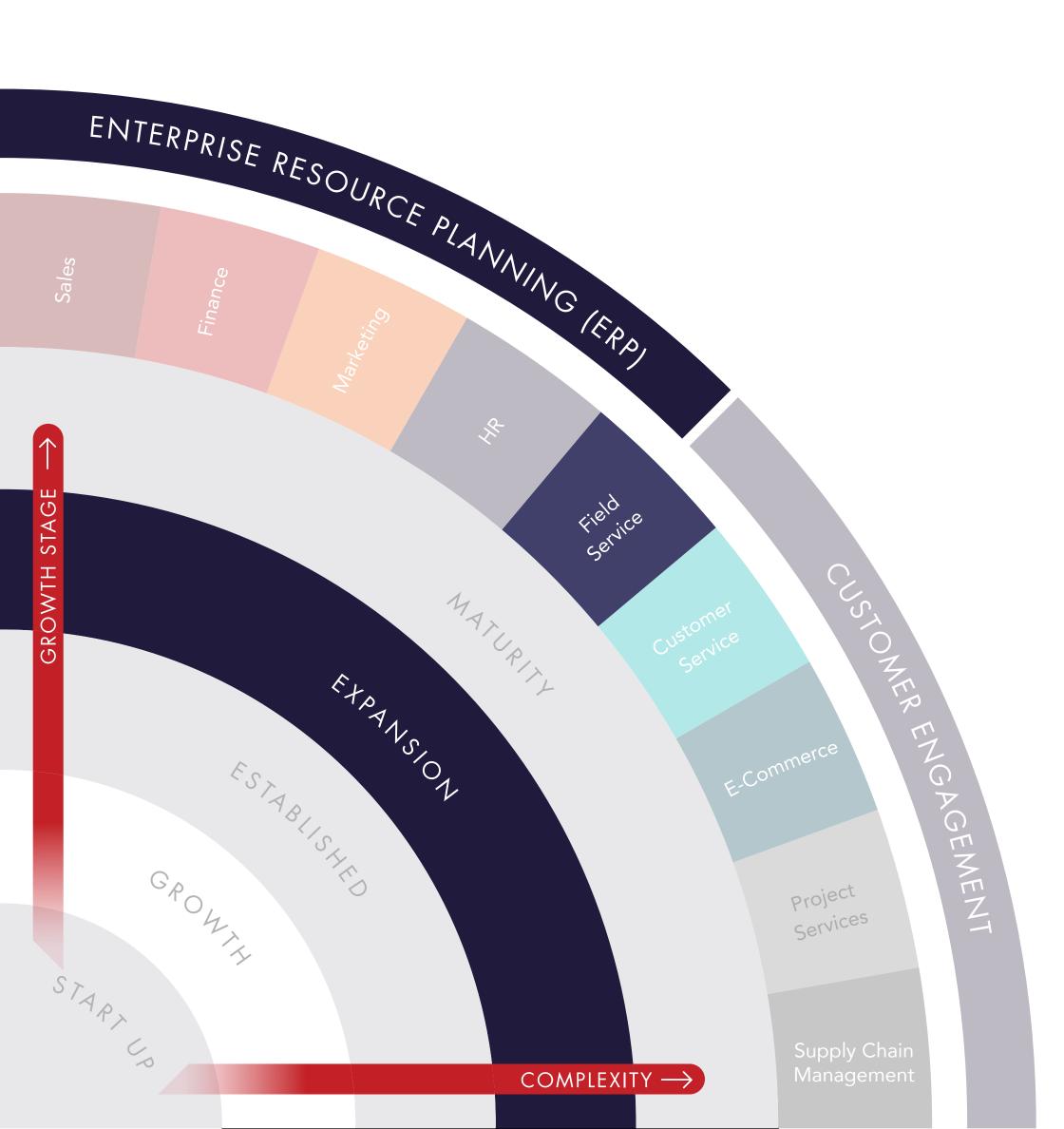
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Expansion / Pain Point 1 / Field Service / Capabilities



FIELD SERVICE: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS

Field Service Not knowing which markets to expand into, or how to scale to fulfil their needs

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Work orders Service agreements

Schedule and dispatch

Schedule board

Inventory management

Mobile productivity

Connected devices

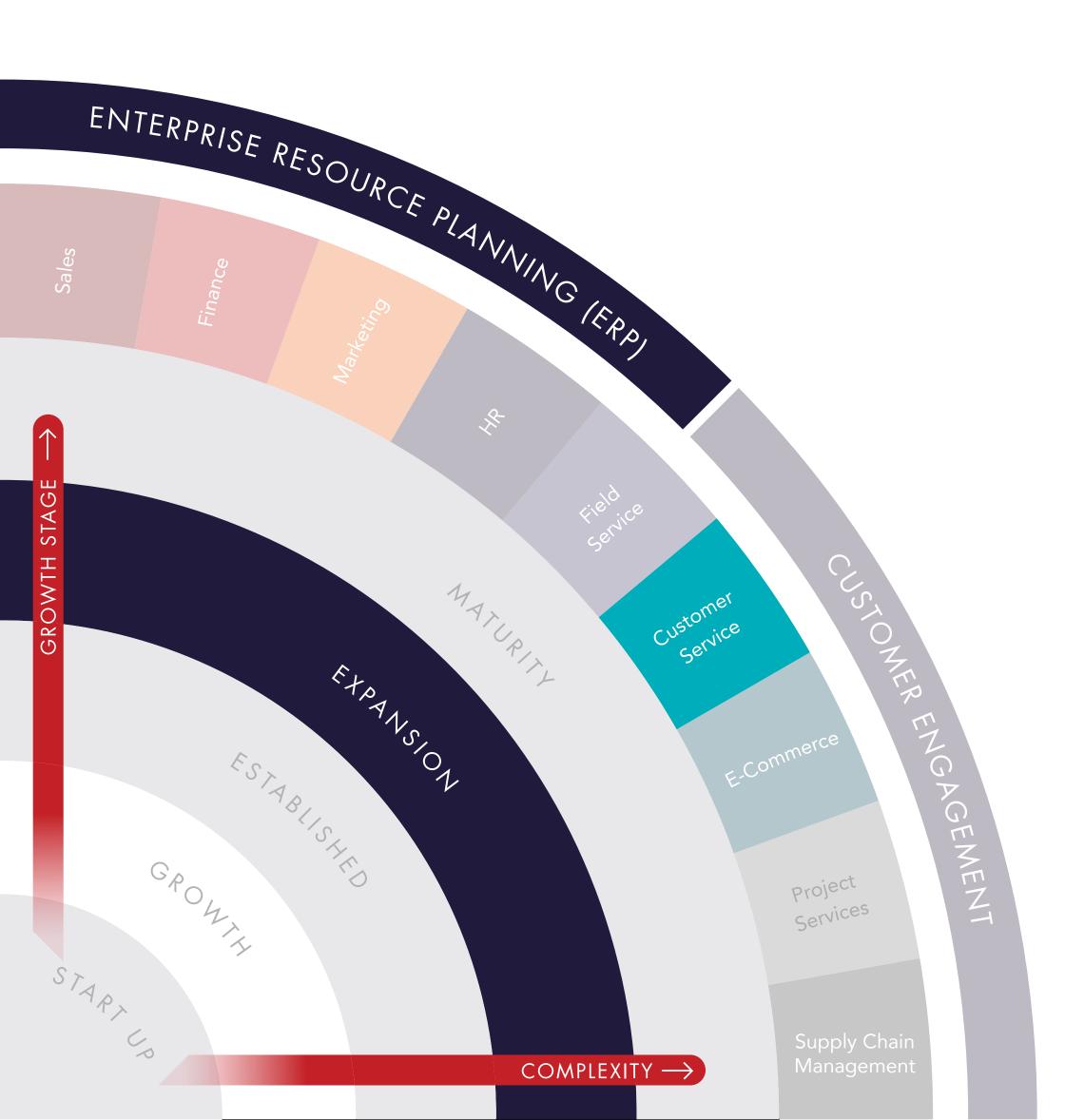
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Expansion / Pain Point 1 / Customer Service / Challenges



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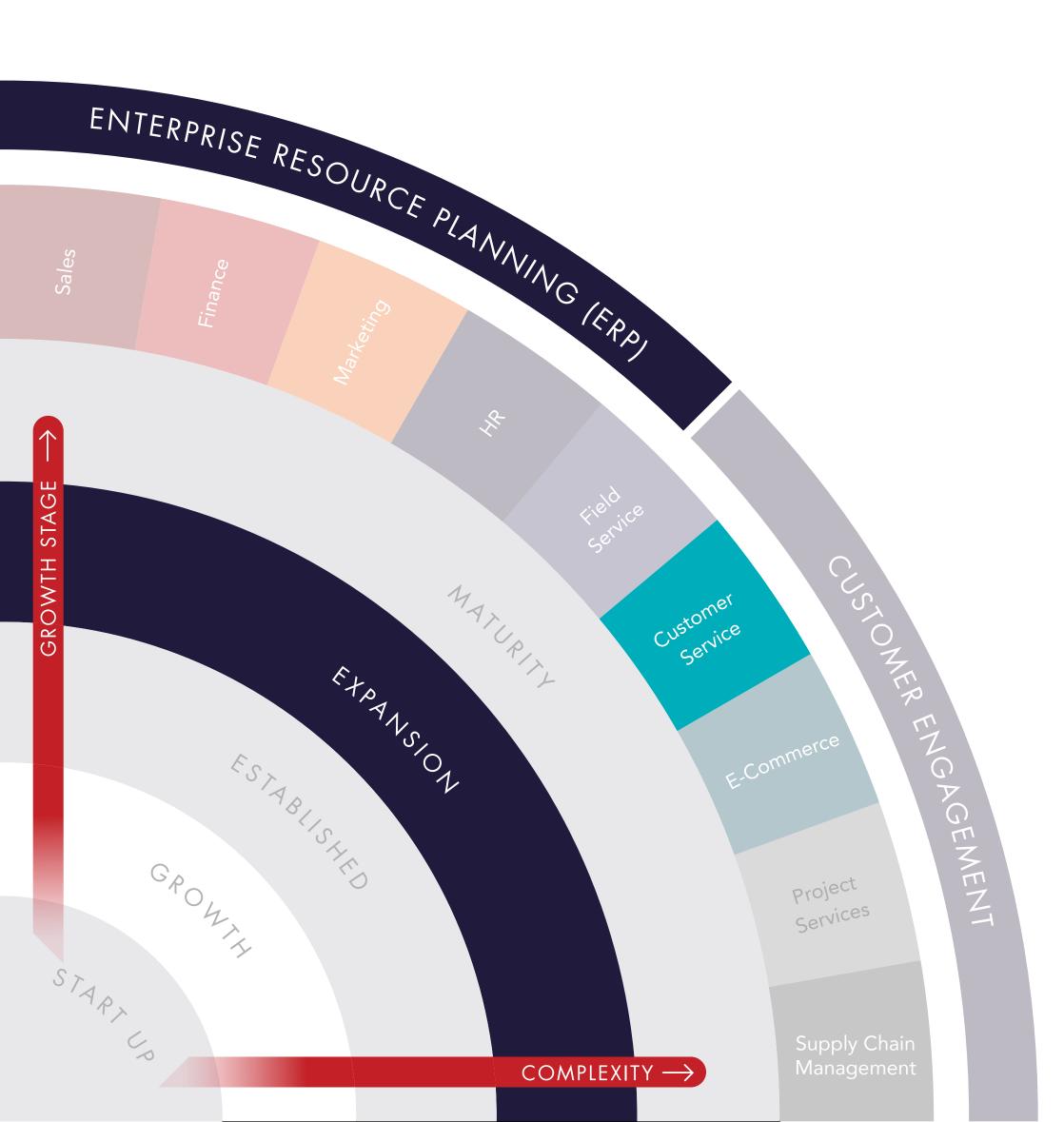
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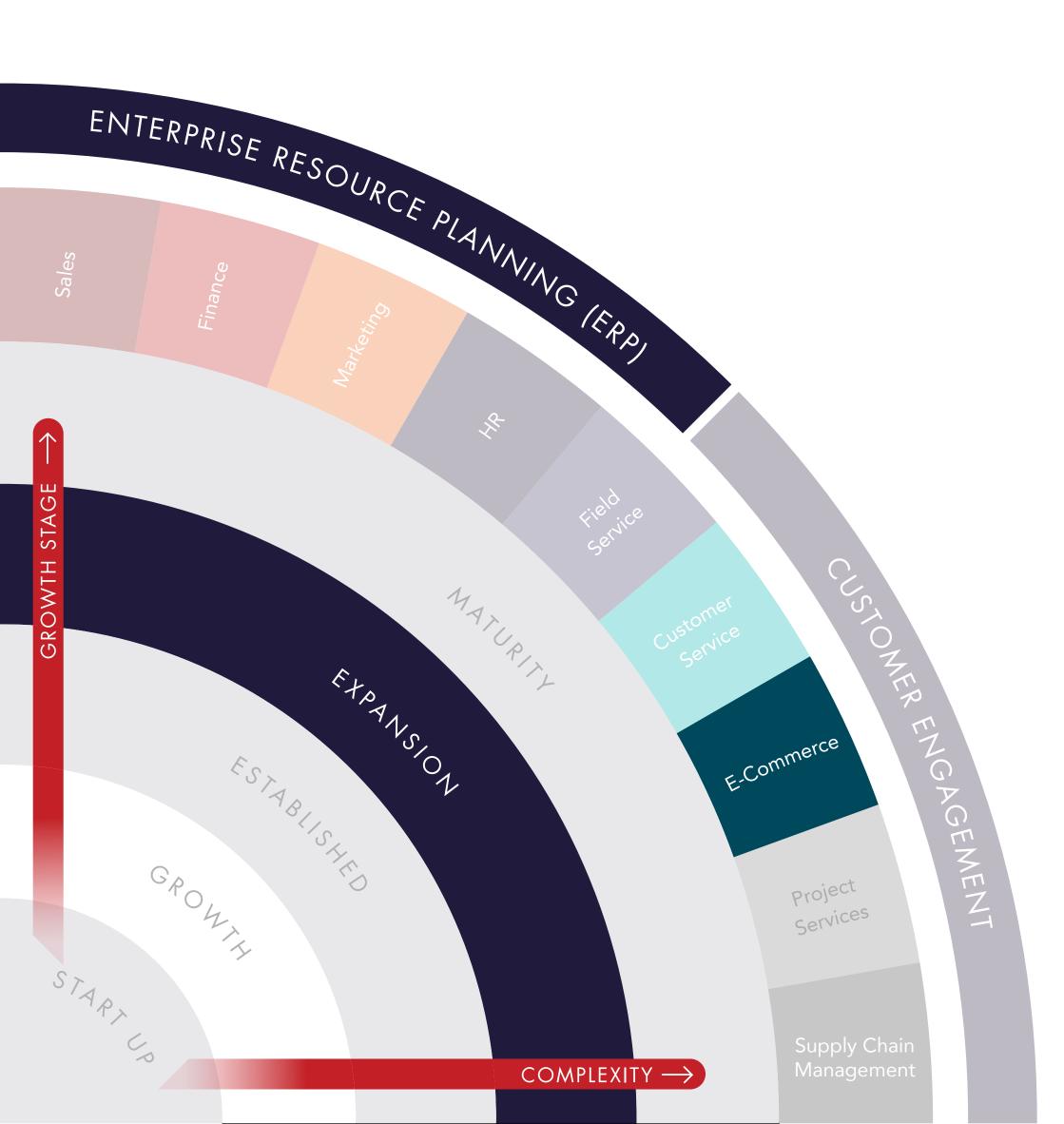
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Expansion / Pain Point 1 / E-Commerce / Challenges



E-COMMERCE: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



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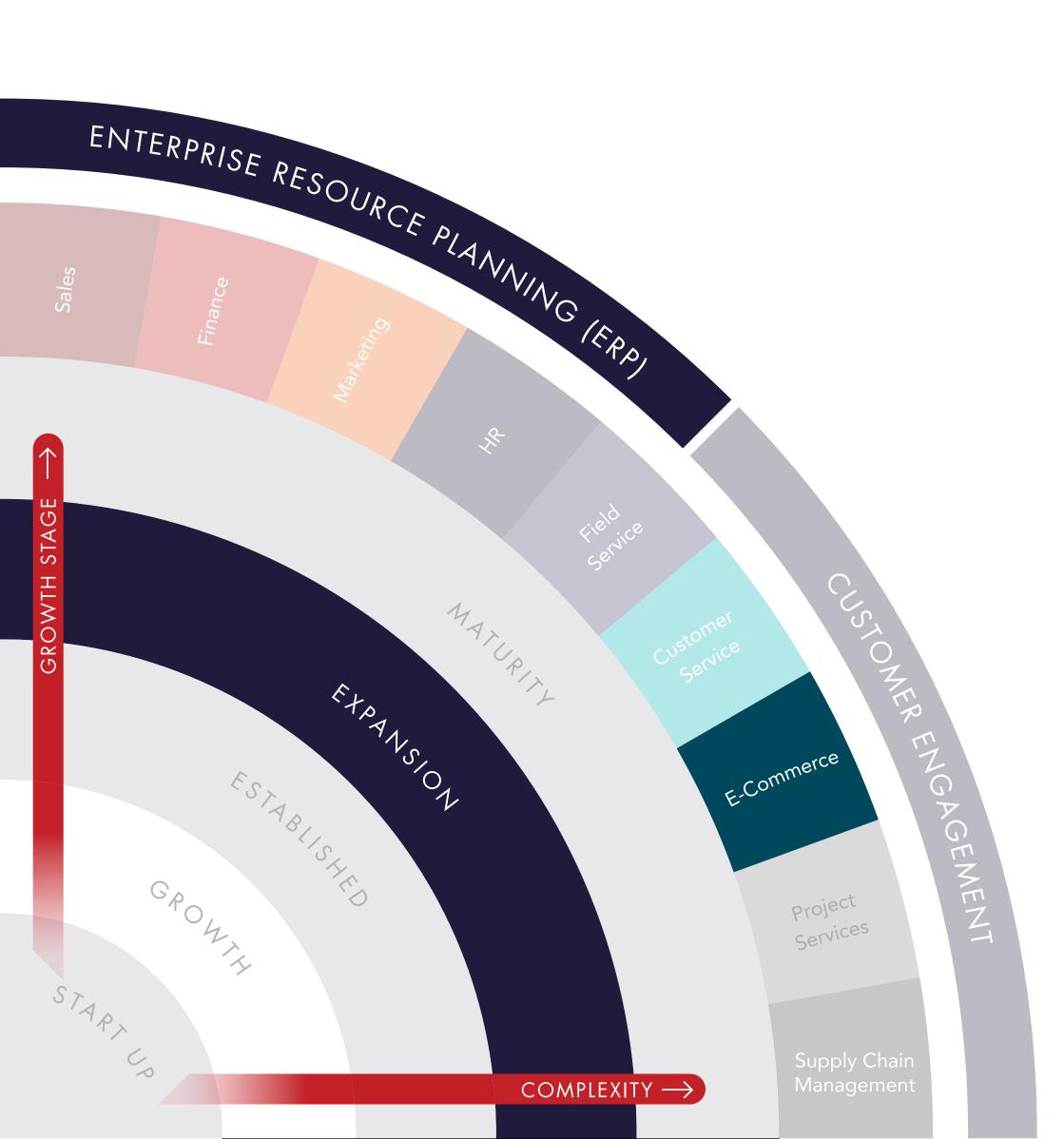
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PAIN POINTS



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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Pricing

Stores management

Shift management

Employee management

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Replenishment

Product categories

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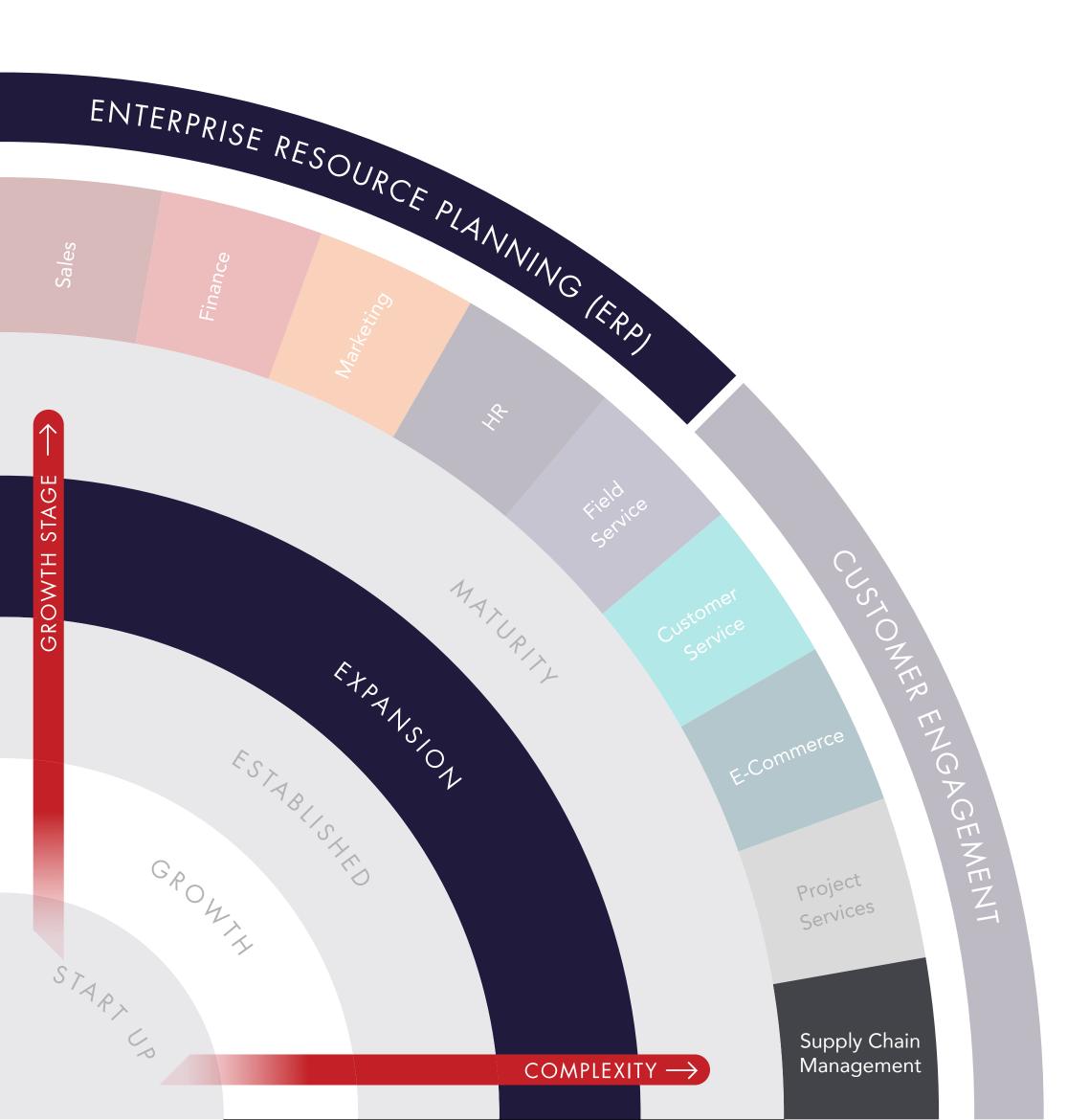
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Expansion / Pain Point 1 / Supply Chain Management / Challenges



SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



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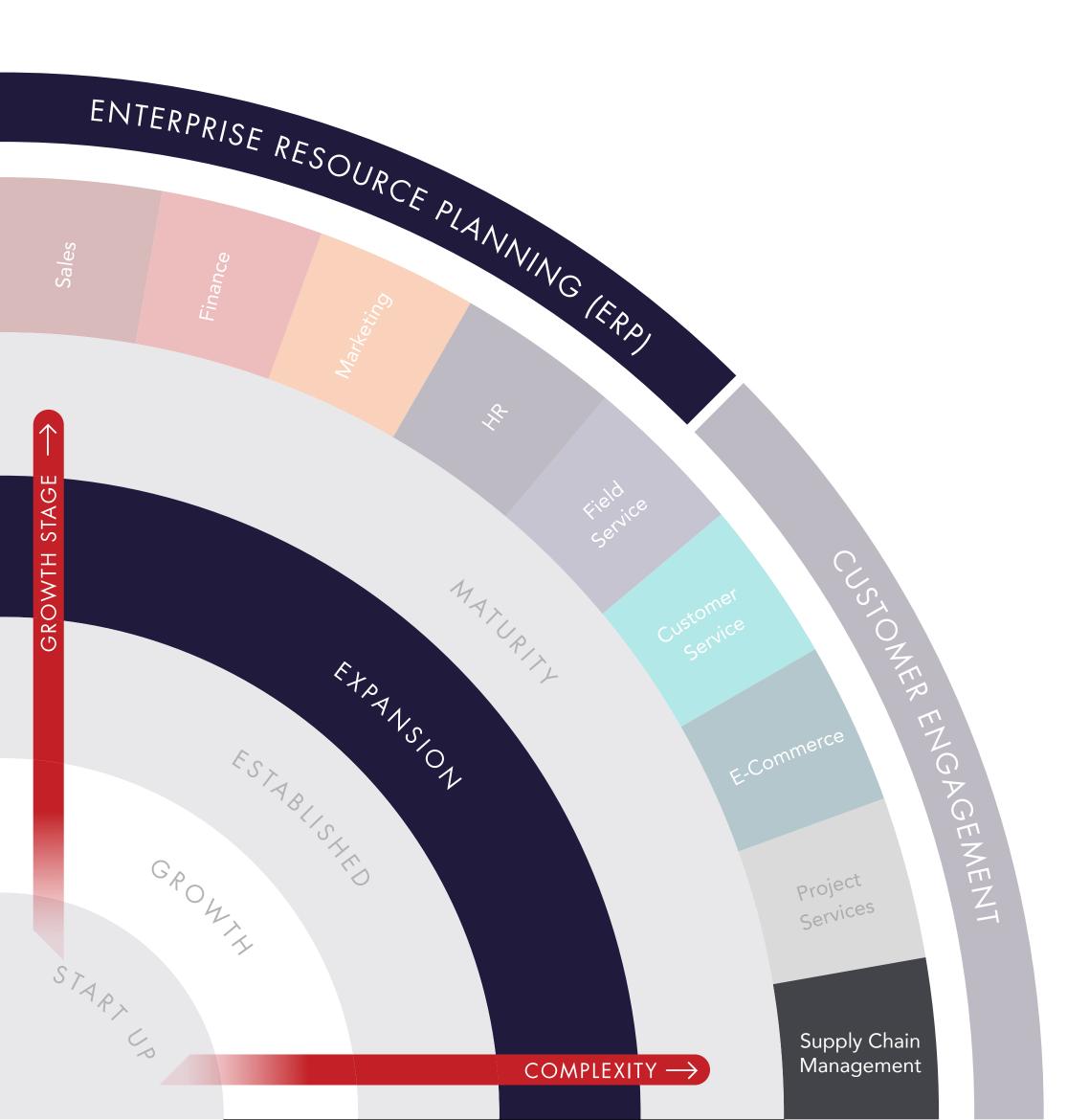
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Expansion / Pain Point 1 / Supply Chain Management / Capabilities



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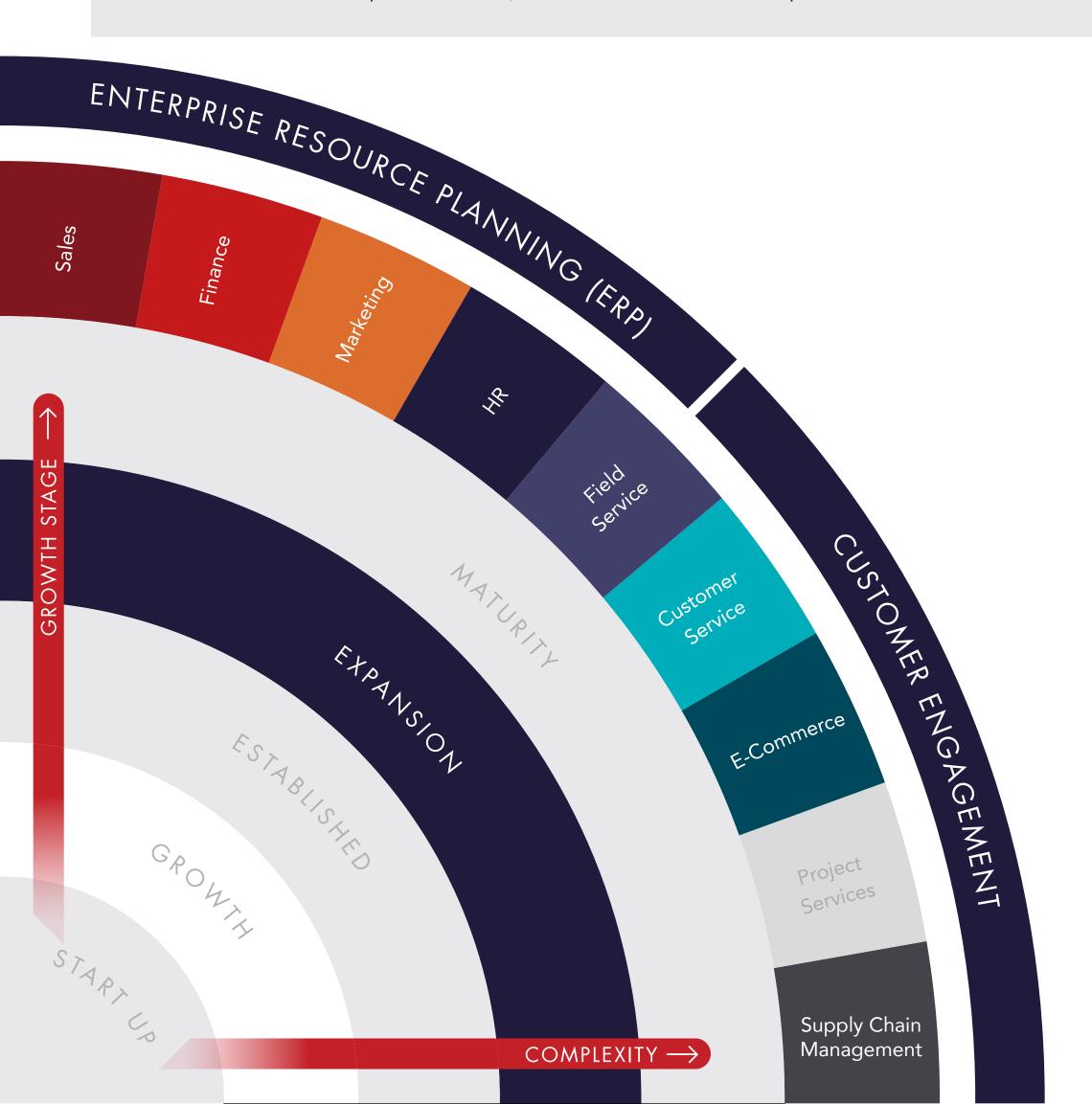
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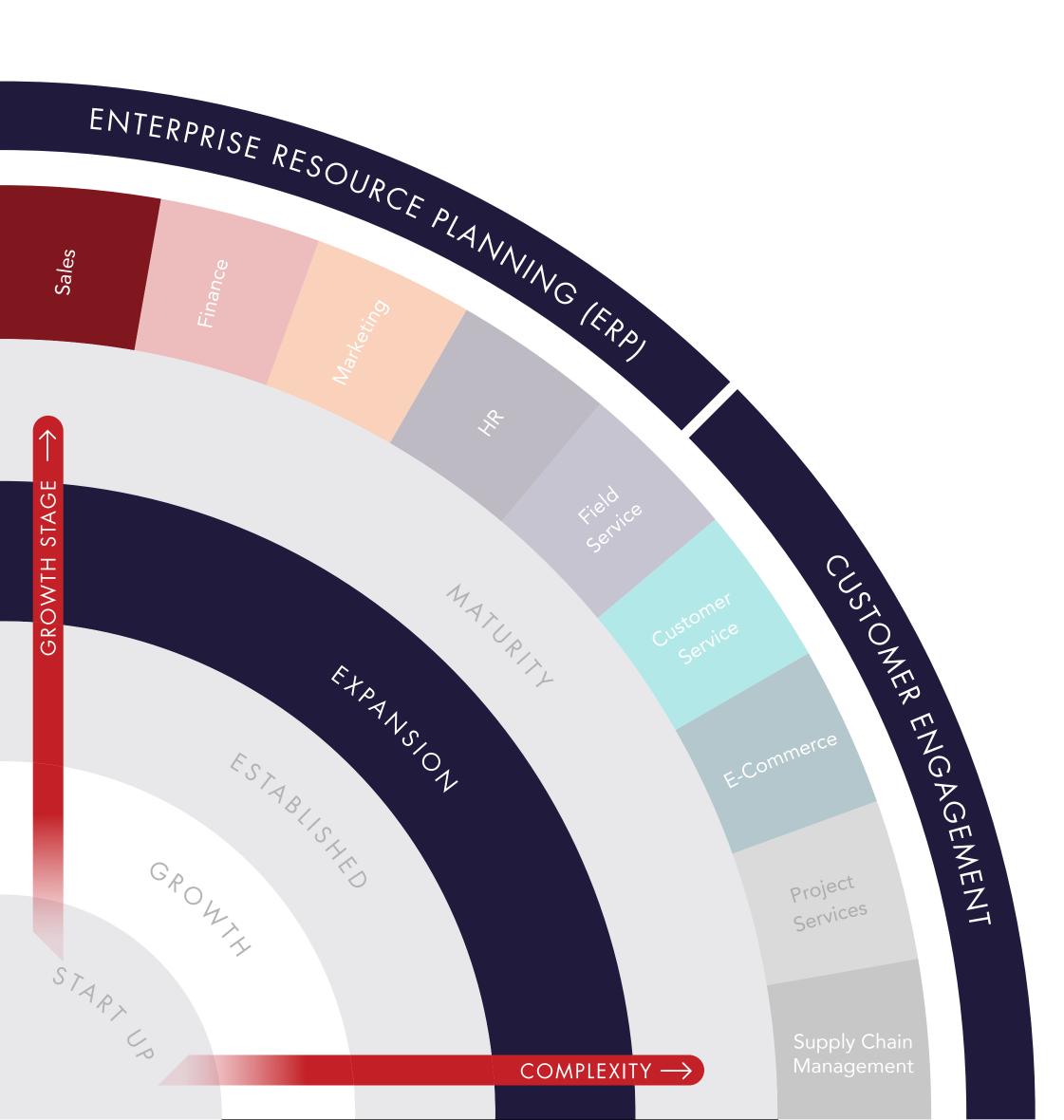


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Expansion / Pain Point 2 / Sales / Challenges



SALES: EXPANSION

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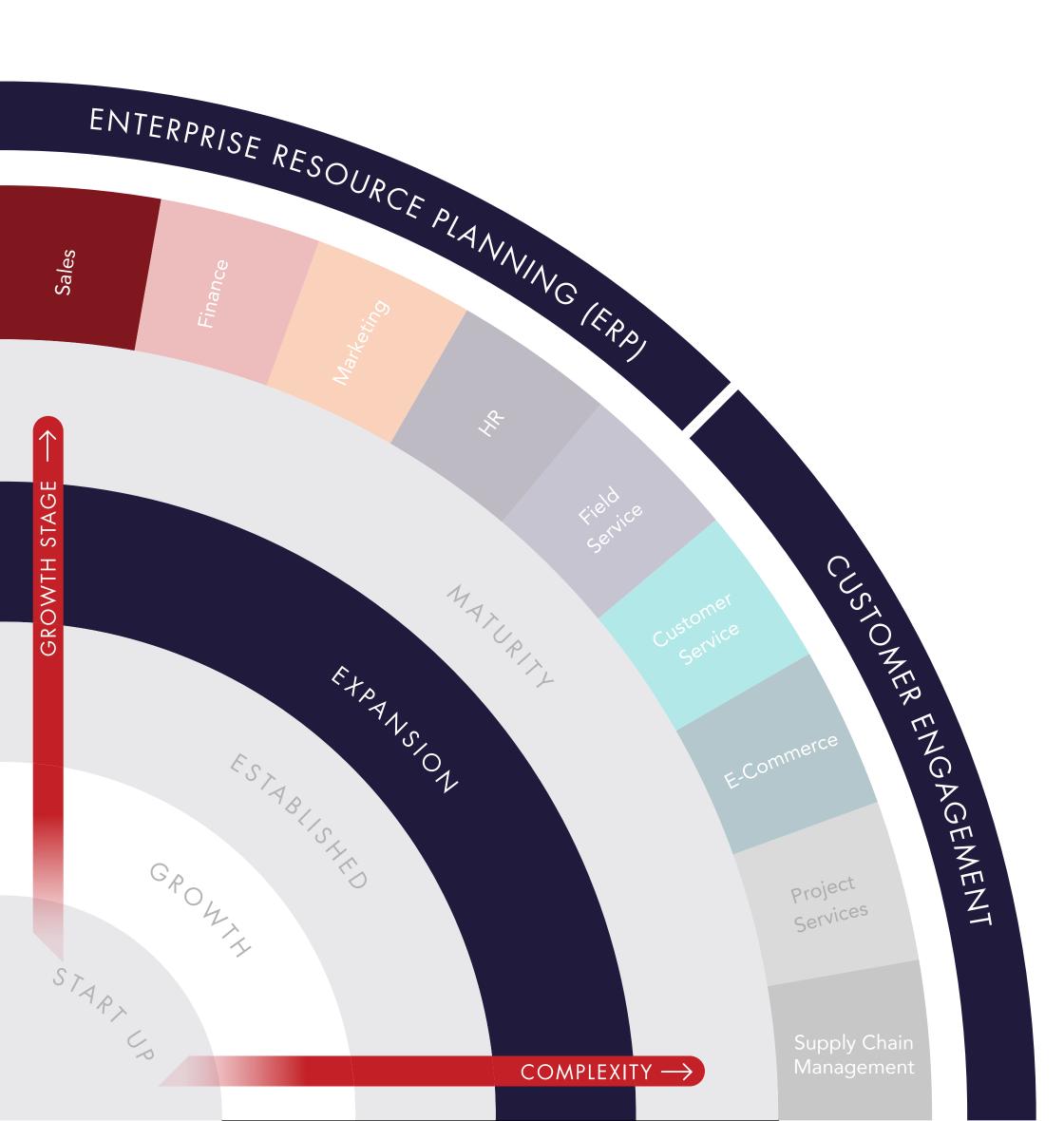
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SALES: EXPANSION

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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Lead management Opportunity management Pipeline forecasting Sales automation Quote management Marketing lists

Email marketing

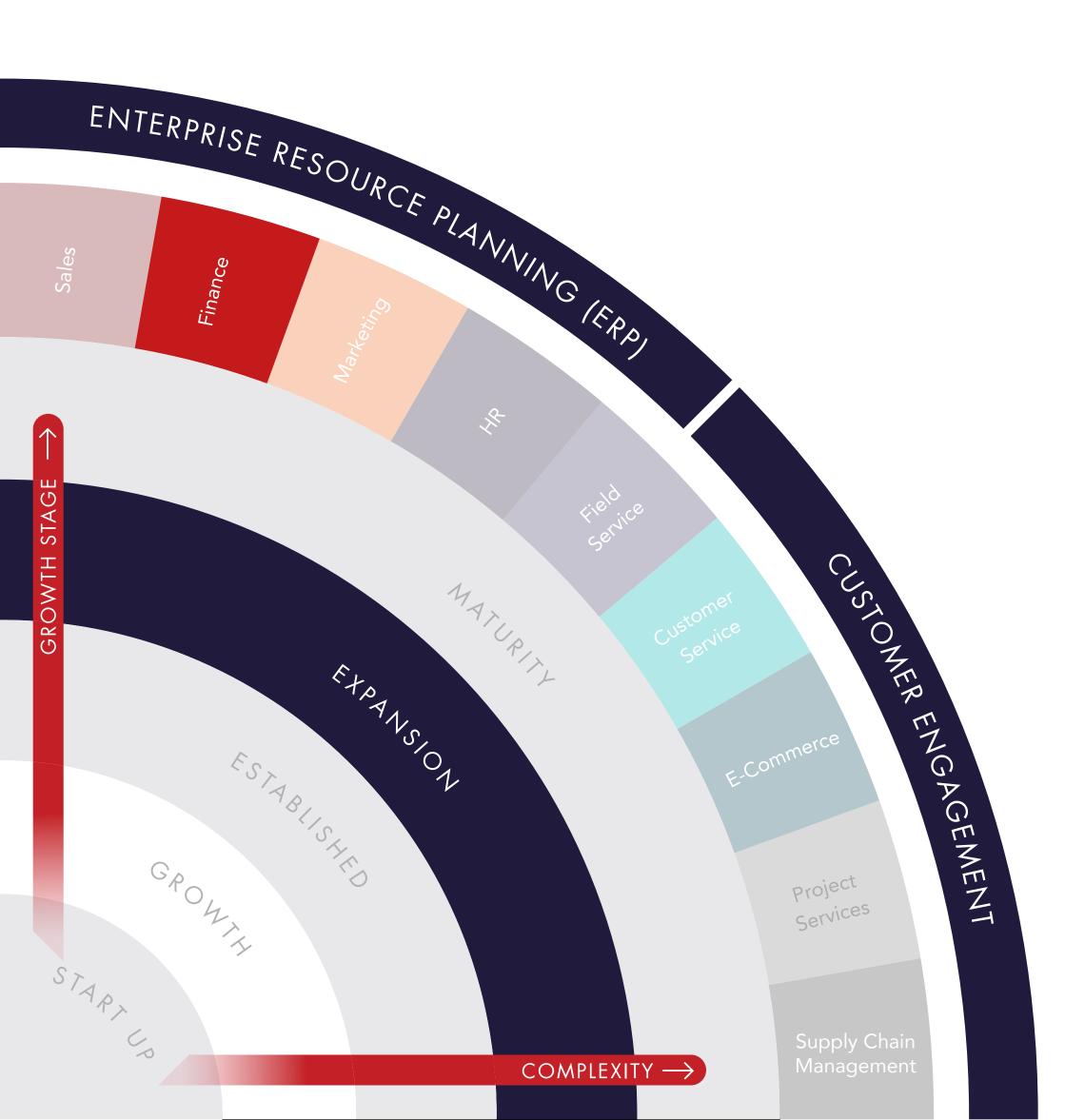
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Expansion / Pain Point 2 / Finance / Challenges



FINANCE: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



Finance

Disparate systems are difficult to integrate, particularly during M&A

CHALLENGES

Many finance teams still struggle with timeconsuming tasks, sometimes having to integrate lots of different databases manually – even for basic processes like billing. It's difficult to share information across departments for order processing, which results in longer lead times. And despite the wealth of financial data available, they might not have the reporting tools to get a look at the bigger picture for the business – which can hamper strategic decision-making.

This can be even harder if your clients offer subscription-based services rather than discrete products; managing subscriptions is a drain on finance teams' time if they don't have automation or digital tools at hand.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

Dynamics can help finance teams maximise their profitability and automate financial operations to make their lives much easier and help them focus on more strategic work. It allows them to monitor performance in real time, predict future outcomes and make decisions to drive business growth.

Intelligent data insights can offer predictive recommendations, to increase profit and cashflow, while Dynamics also makes it easier to cut operational costs with process automation and more efficient financial planning.

And for clients with subscription services, automated recurring billing through Dynamics saves time and effort for the finance team.

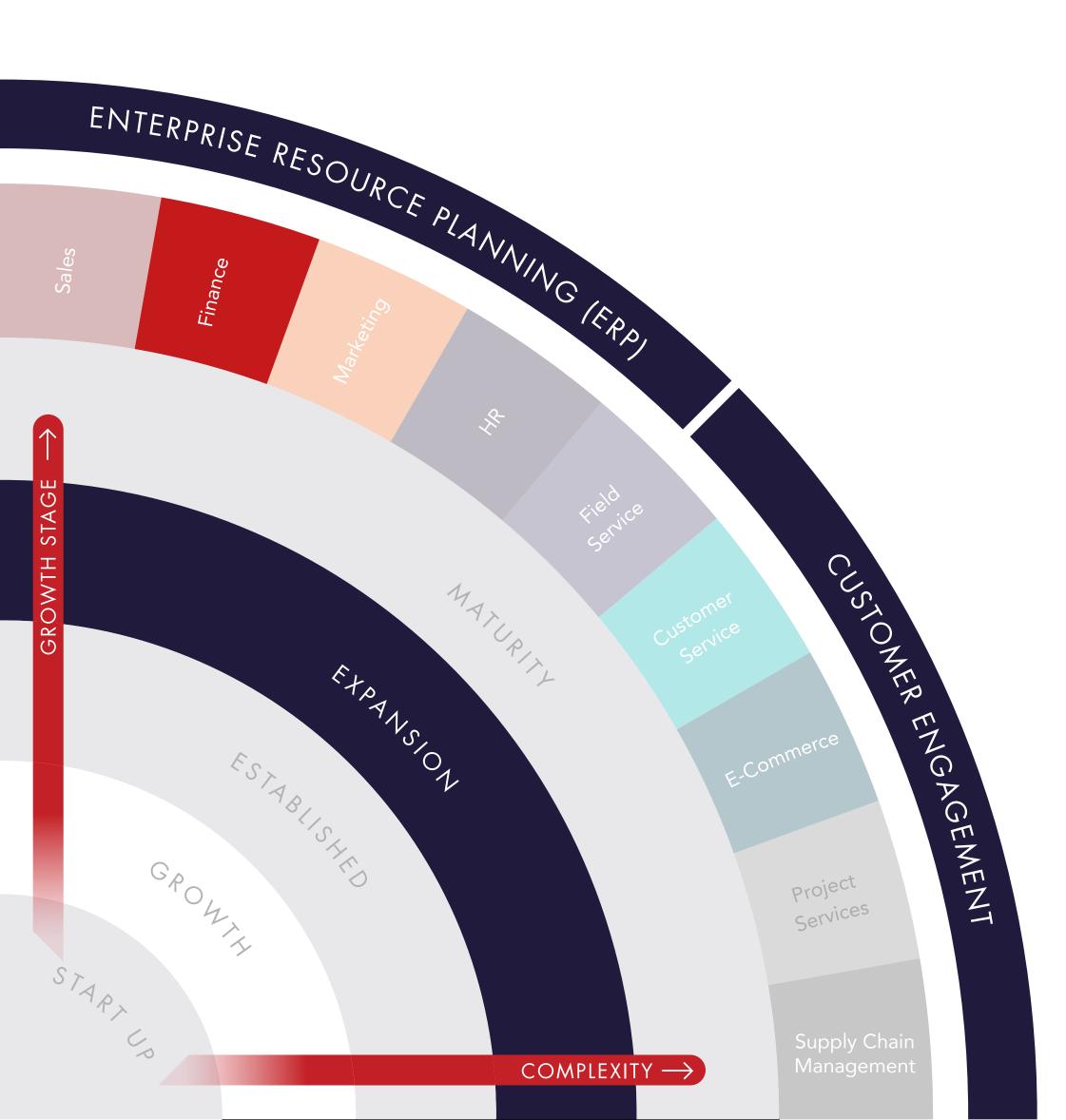








Expansion / Pain Point 2 / Finance / Capabilities



FINANCE: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



Finance

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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Credit management

Treasury

Accounts receivable

Accounts payable

Budgeting

Cost management

Fixed assets

Payroll tax

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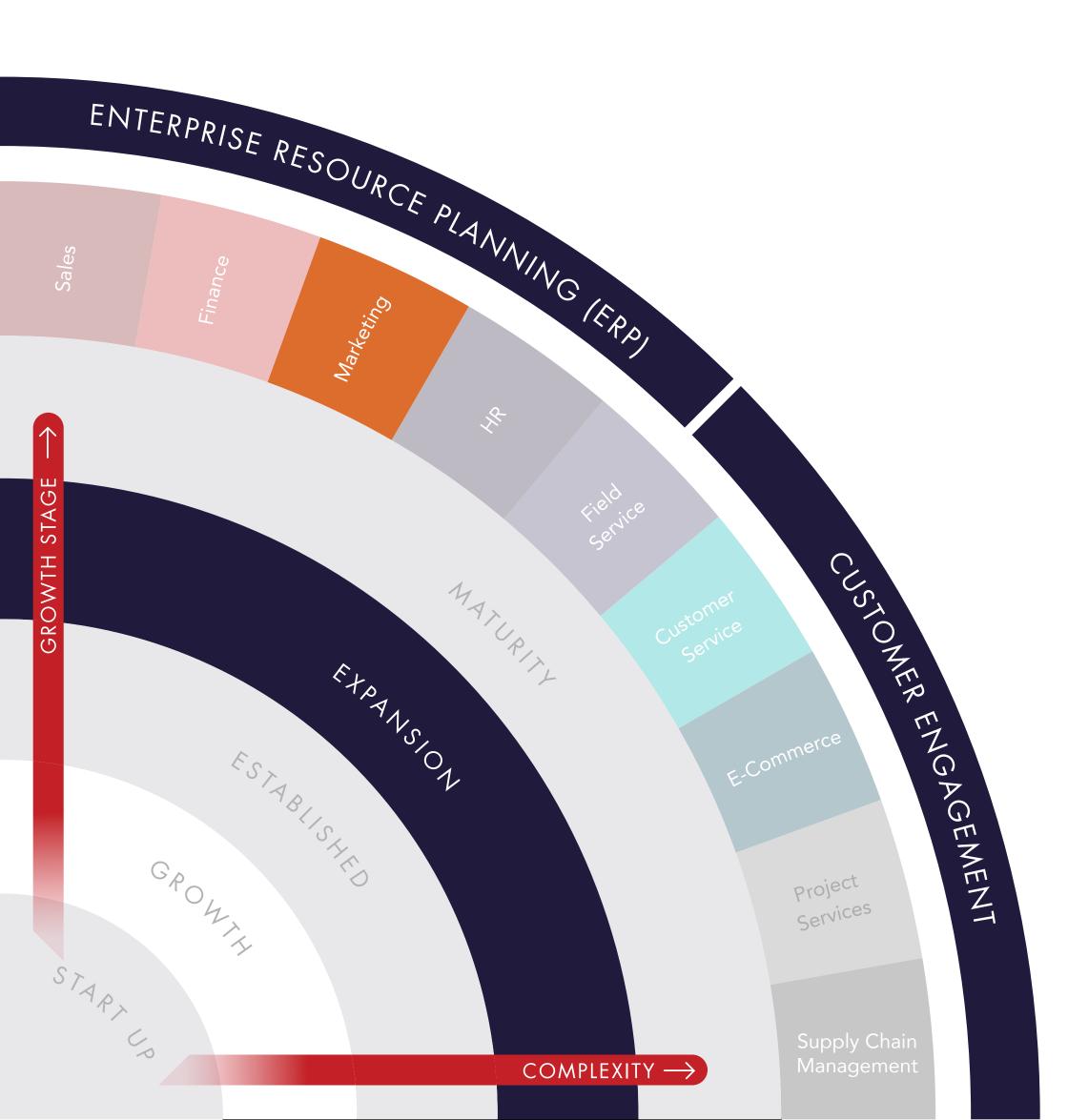
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Expansion / Pain Point 2 / Marketing / Challenges



MARKETING: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



Marketing

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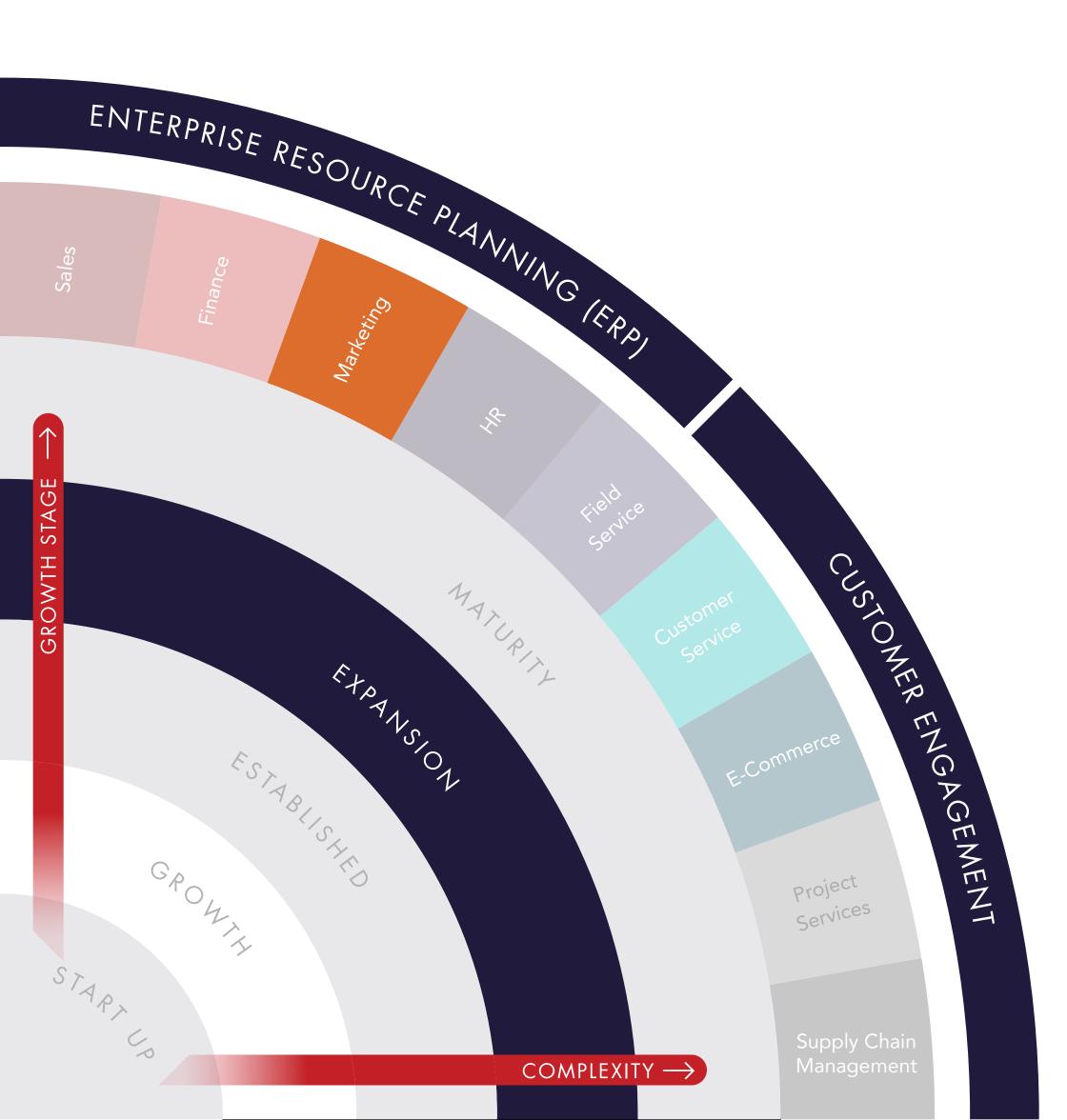
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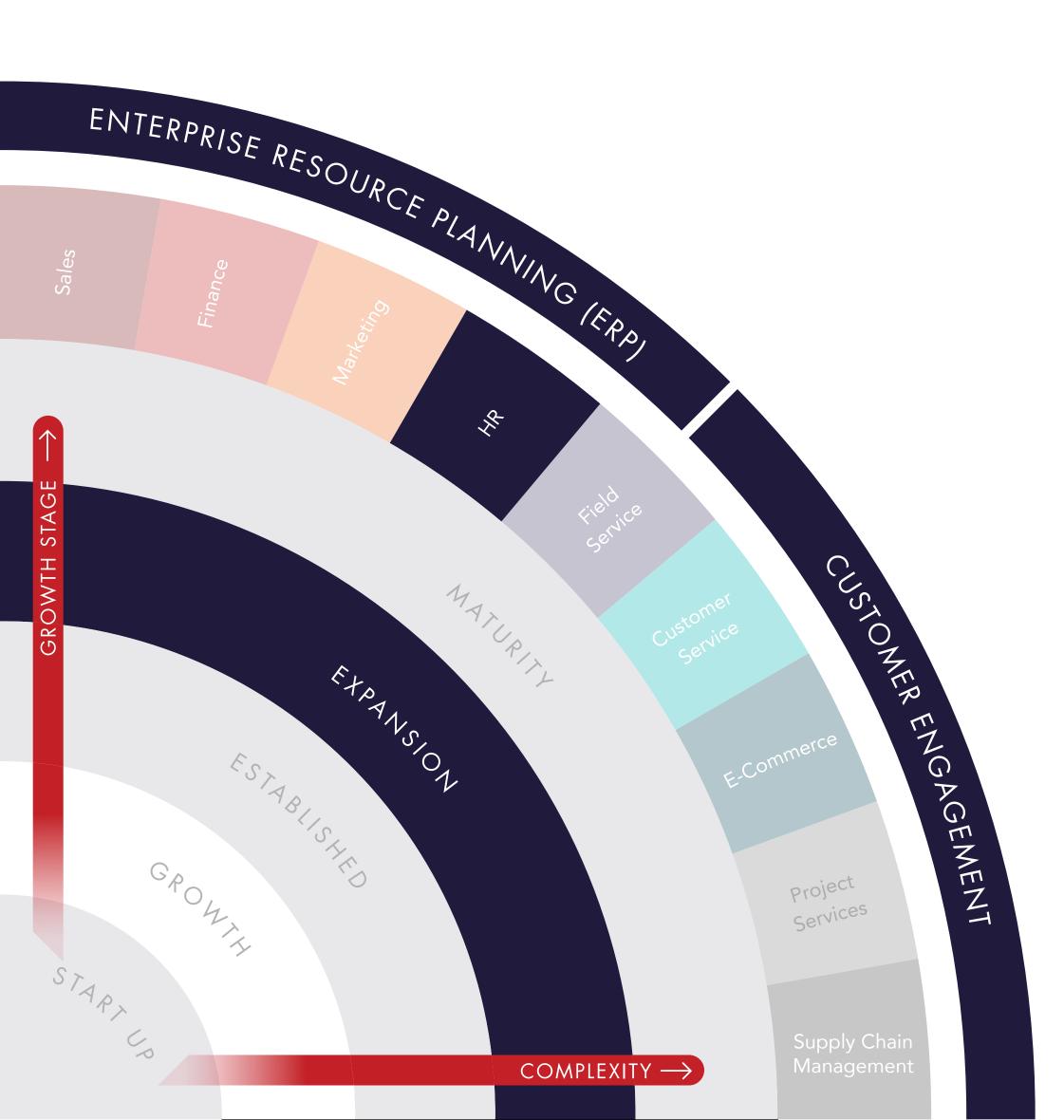
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Expansion / Pain Point 2 / HR / Challenges



HR: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



HR

Disparate systems are difficult to integrate, particularly during M&A

CHALLENGES

As a business grows, its HR processes and systems become increasingly complex. HR managers need to report on employees' wellbeing, learning and development, absences, annual leave, and much more.

That's on top of trying to make recruitment and onboarding more efficient, centralising core HR processes, and giving managers the tools and training they need to manage their team members.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

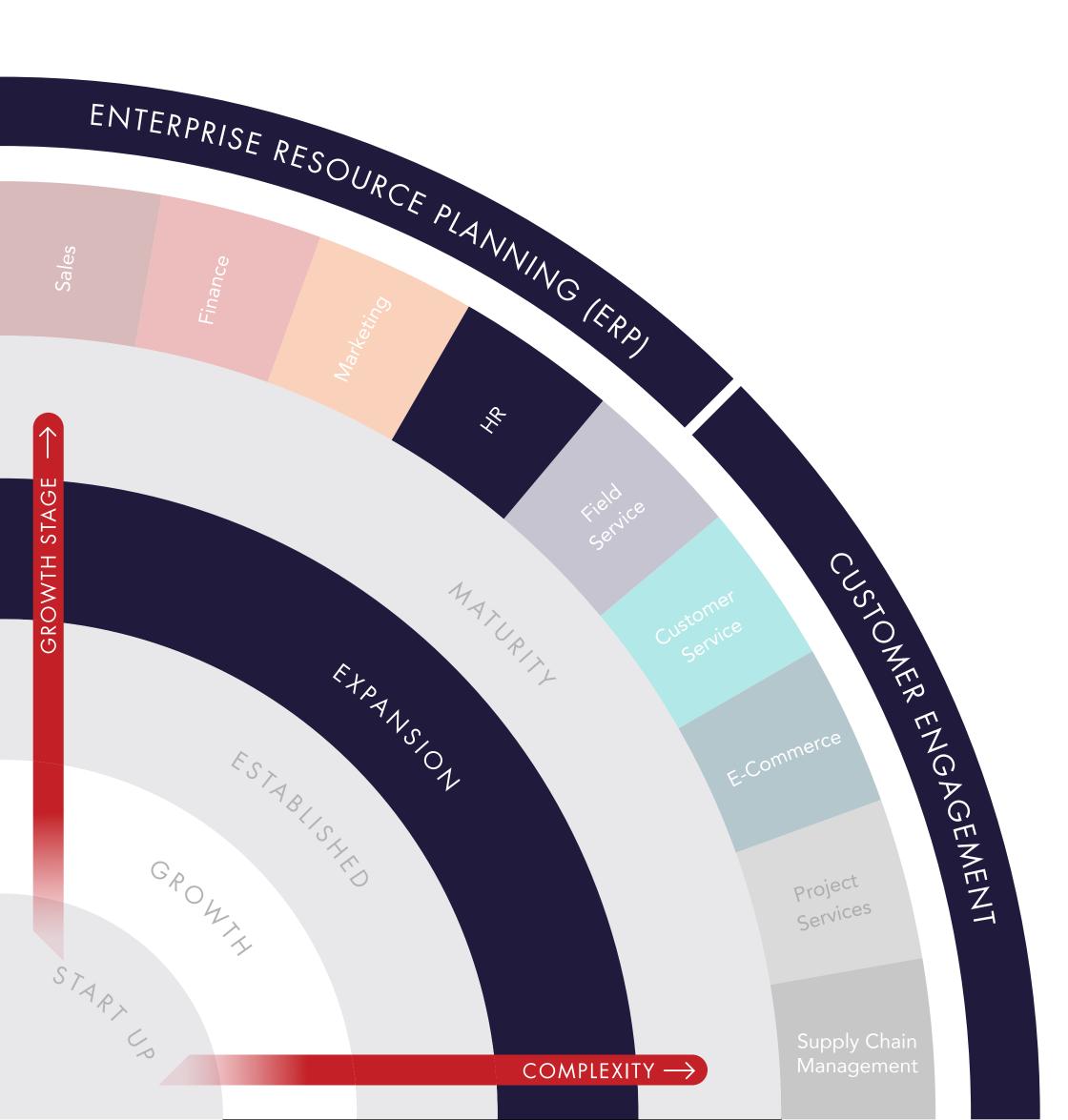
Dynamics helps deliver an HR solution that takes better care of your people, so they in turn can take better care of your business. It enables HR self-service for employees, provides a platform for training and certification, ensures security, privacy and compliance, and empowers managers to address concerns effectively.

At the same time, Dynamics can support HR teams to simplify reporting with rich dashboards, helping leaders make informed decisions. By identifying and engaging the right candidates, businesses can feel confident that they're bringing in the right people to support future growth.





Expansion / Pain Point 2 / HR / Capabilities



HR: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



HR

Disparate systems are difficult to integrate, particularly during M&A

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

People management Compensation management Compliance Leave and absence Benefits Learning and development Employee development Employee self-service Hiring and offer management

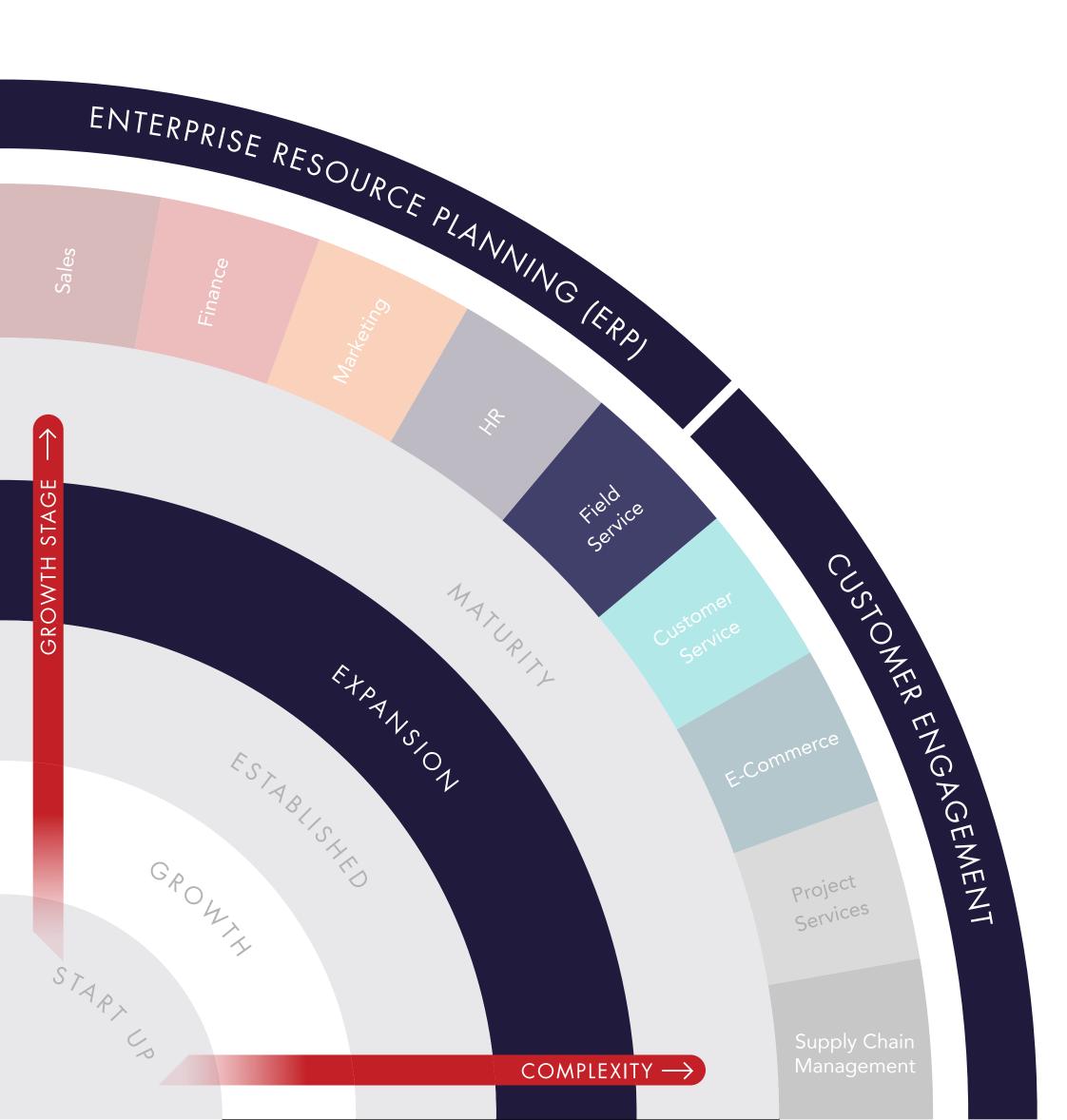
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Expansion / Pain Point 2 / Field Service / Challenges



FIELD SERVICE: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS

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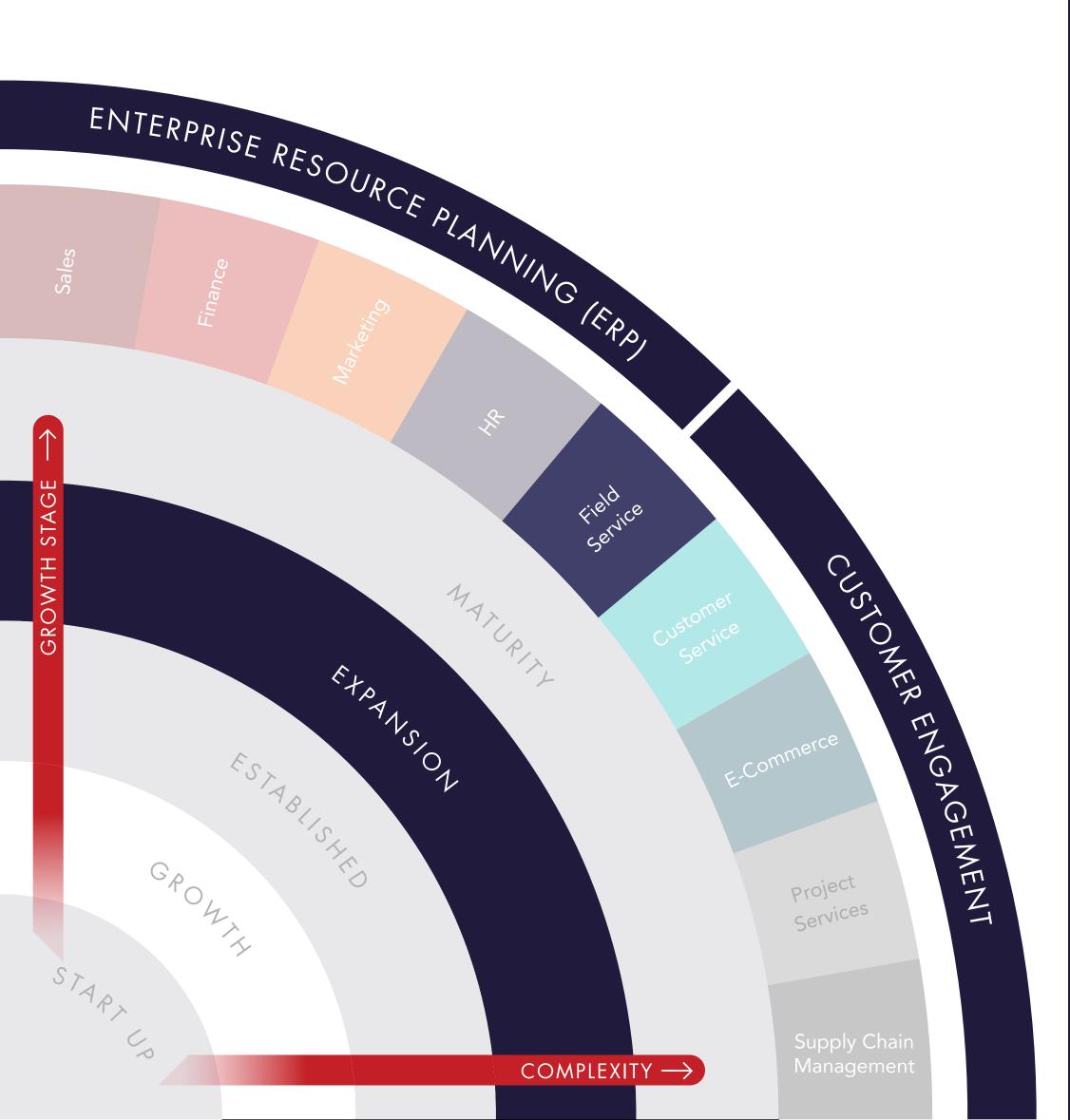
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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Work orders Service agreements

Schedule and dispatch

Schedule board

Inventory management

Mobile productivity

Connected devices

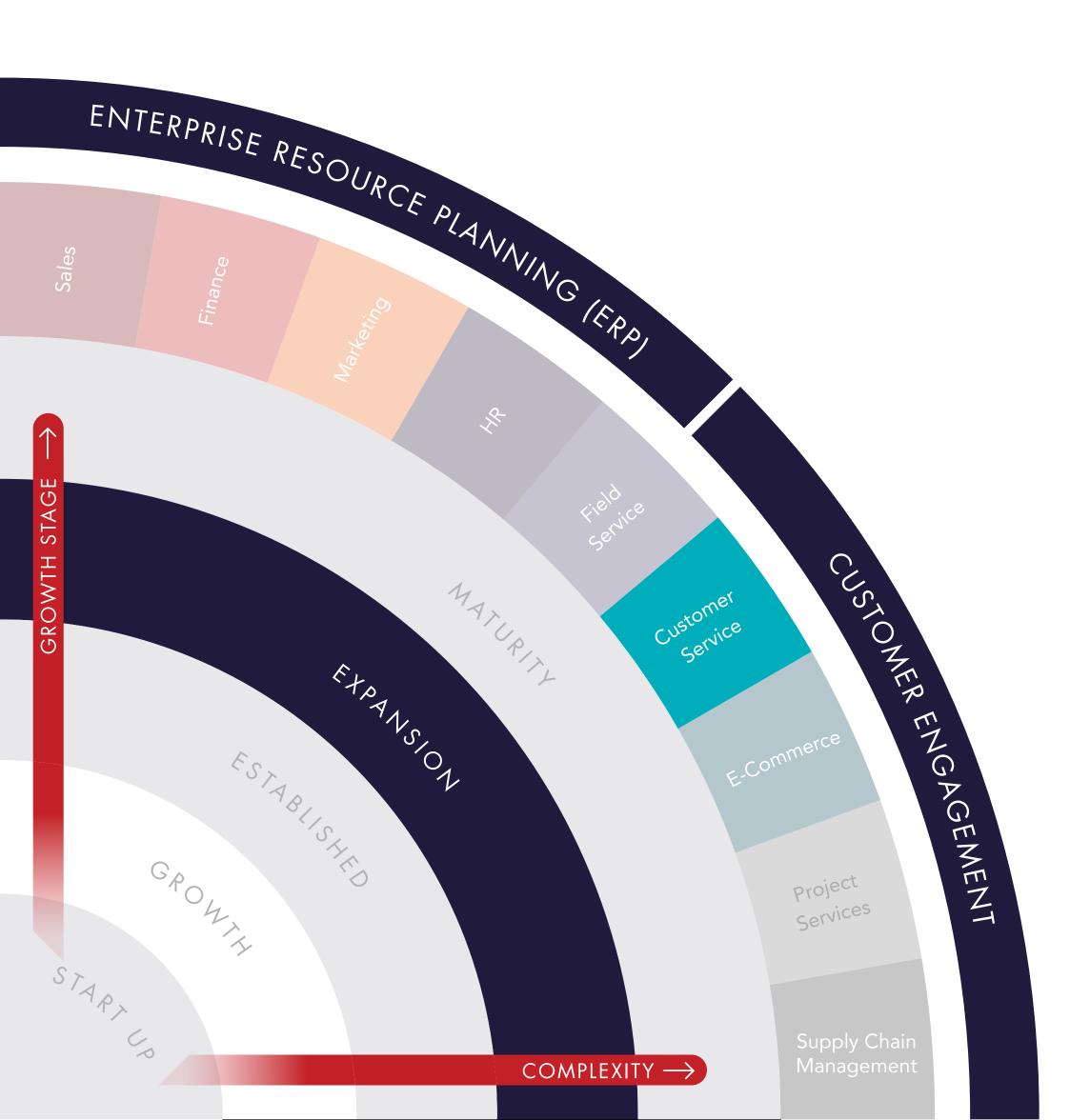
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Expansion / Pain Point 2 / Customer Service / Challenges



CUSTOMER SERVICE: EXPANSION

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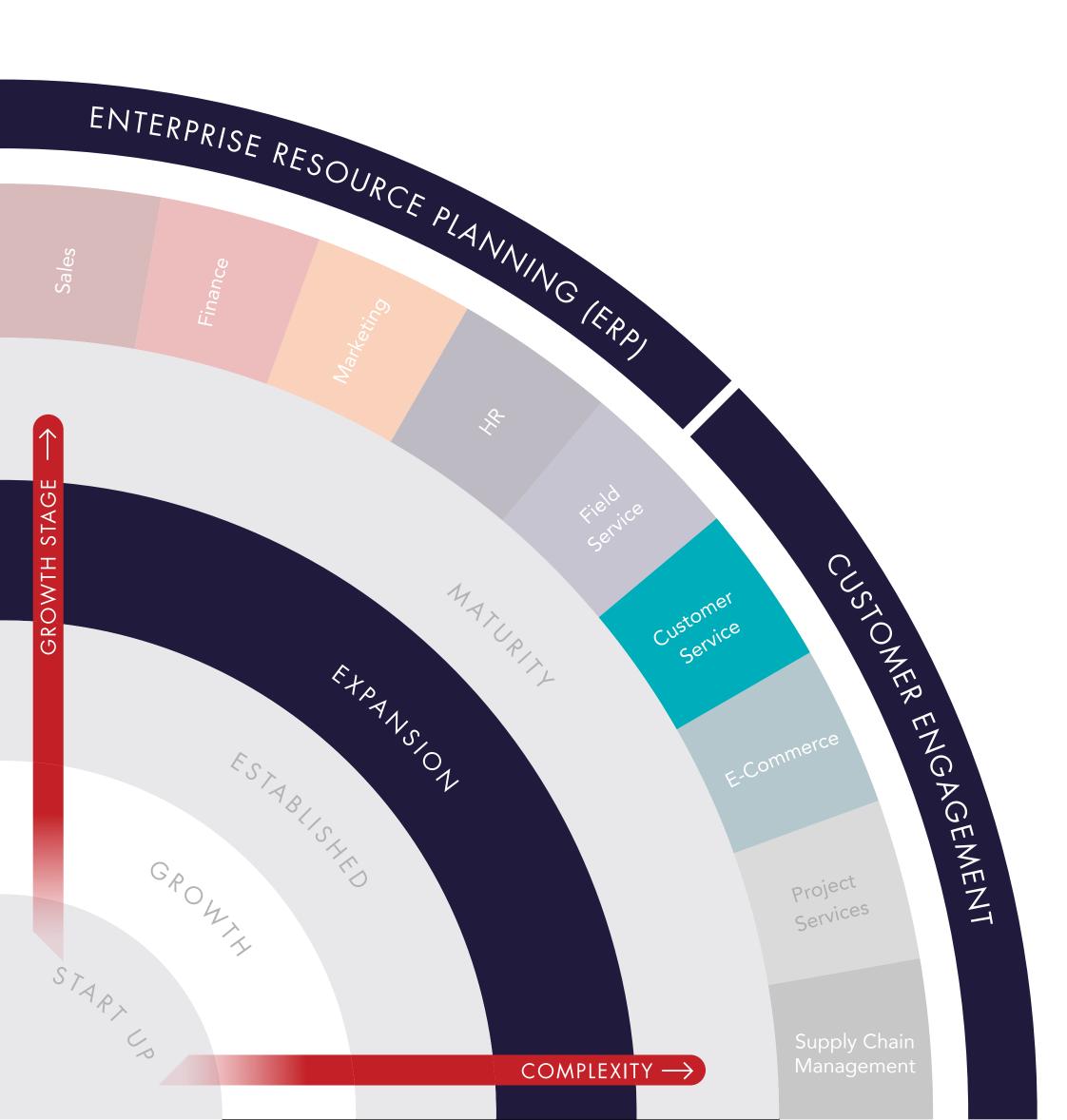
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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Case management SLA support

Account management

Service automation

Customer web portals

Contract management

Service analytics

Dynamics 365 Customer Service Enterprise

Power Apps

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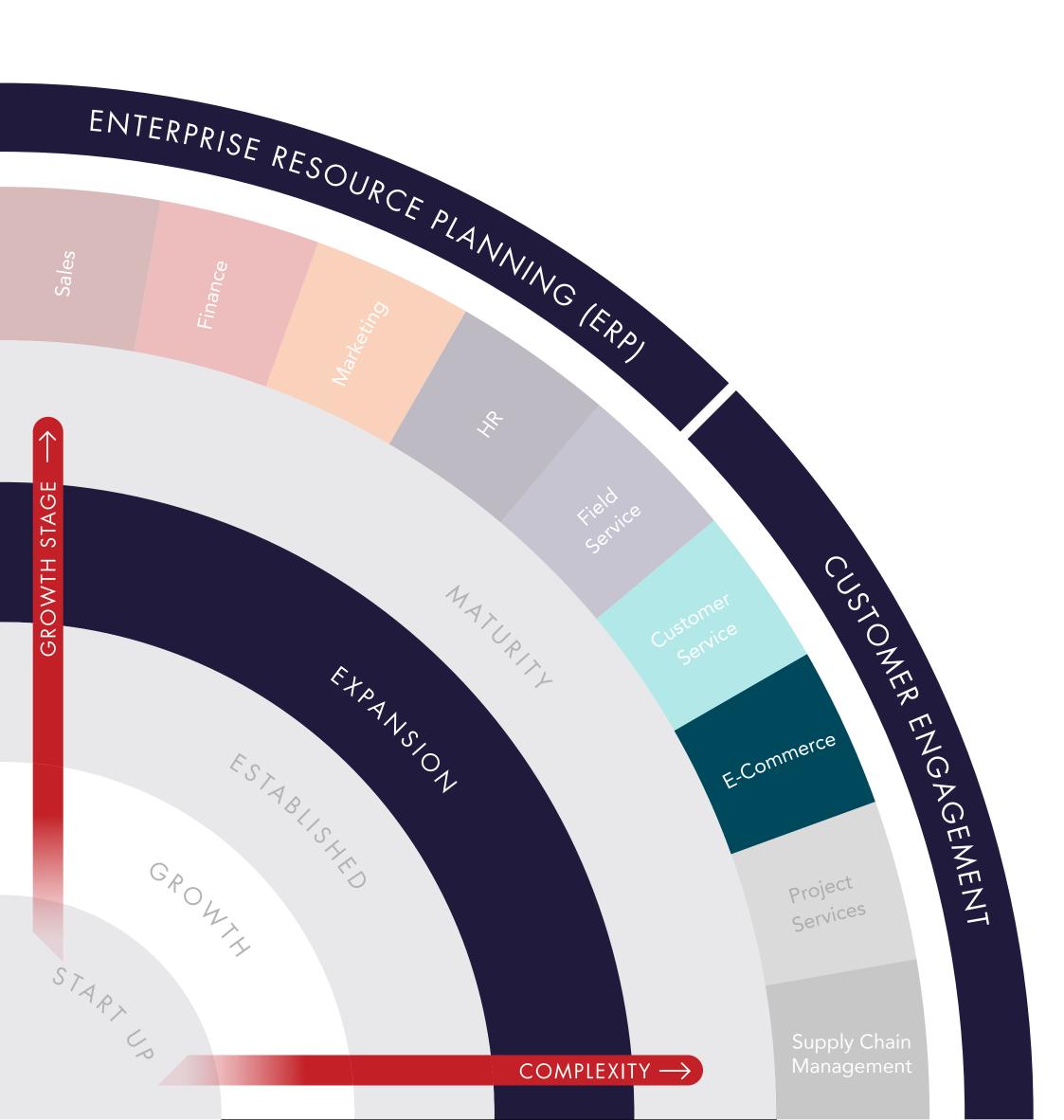
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Expansion / Pain Point 2 / E-Commerce / Challenges



E-COMMERCE: EXPANSION

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E-Commerce Disparate systems are difficult to integrate, particularly during M&A

CHALLENGES

E-commerce is a business of fine margins – every click counts. Customers need to see the same content and promotions across different channels, for example, which is hard without a single, integrated platform. Equally, it's a challenge to fulfil orders efficiently online, and to offer flexible delivery models (particularly for smaller organisations).

Businesses also struggle with data: they need to predict customer demand and report on realtime stock levels, as well as needing accurate customer data so they can personalise offers.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

E-commerce teams can use Dynamics to create exceptional shopping experiences. The platform's built-in AI and machine learning can help to integrate and optimise back-office processes, streamlining your retail operations. It is also extremely scalable, lending itself to growing businesses or those expanding into new territories and markets.

The single view of the customer that Dynamics facilitates gives businesses the option to serve customers when, how, and where they want – on any device. E-commerce teams can view each customer on a unified platform, which brings all customer touchpoints together.

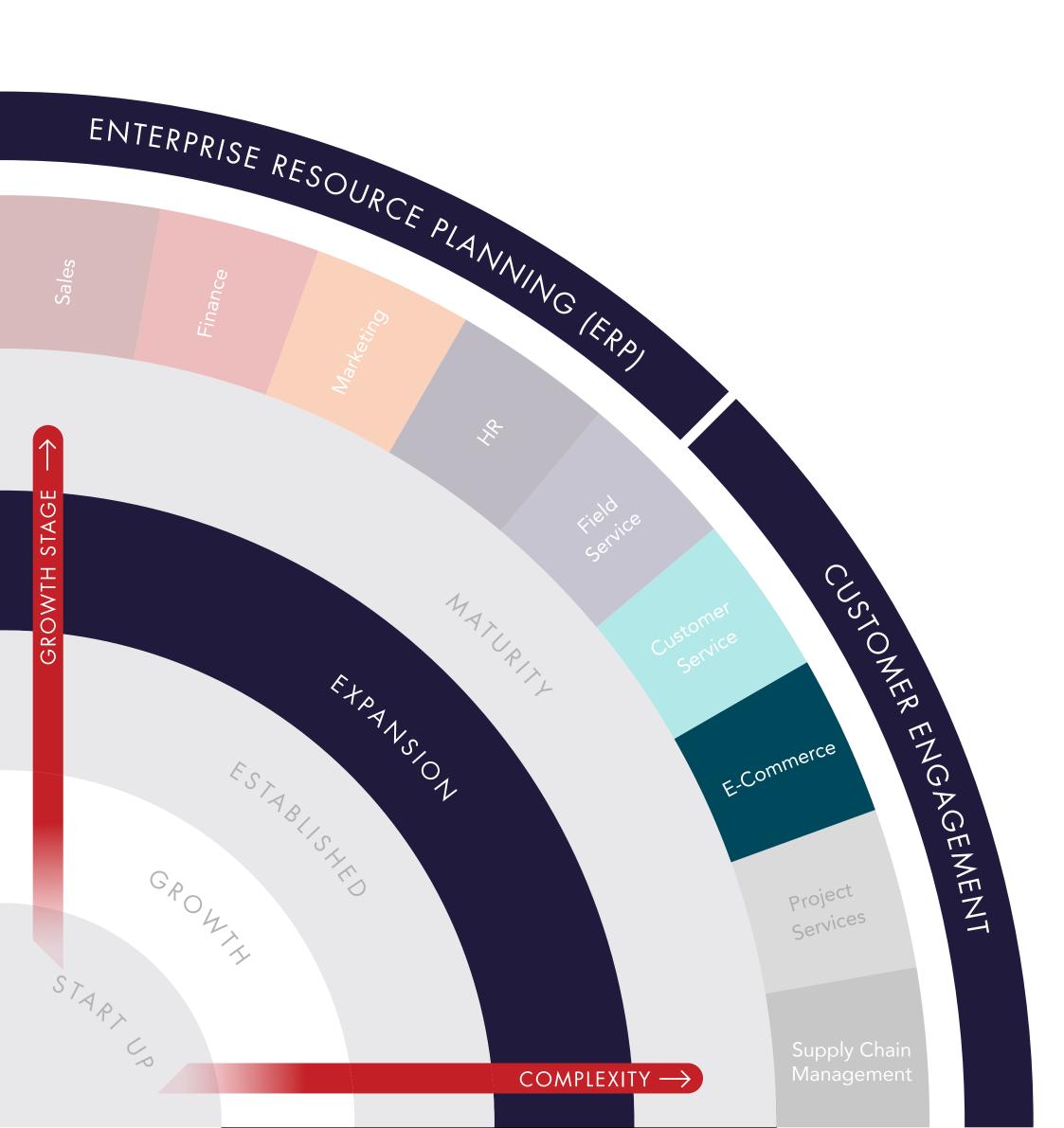


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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Pricing

Stores management

Shift management

Employee management

Customer loyalty

Replenishment

Product categories

Sales channel management

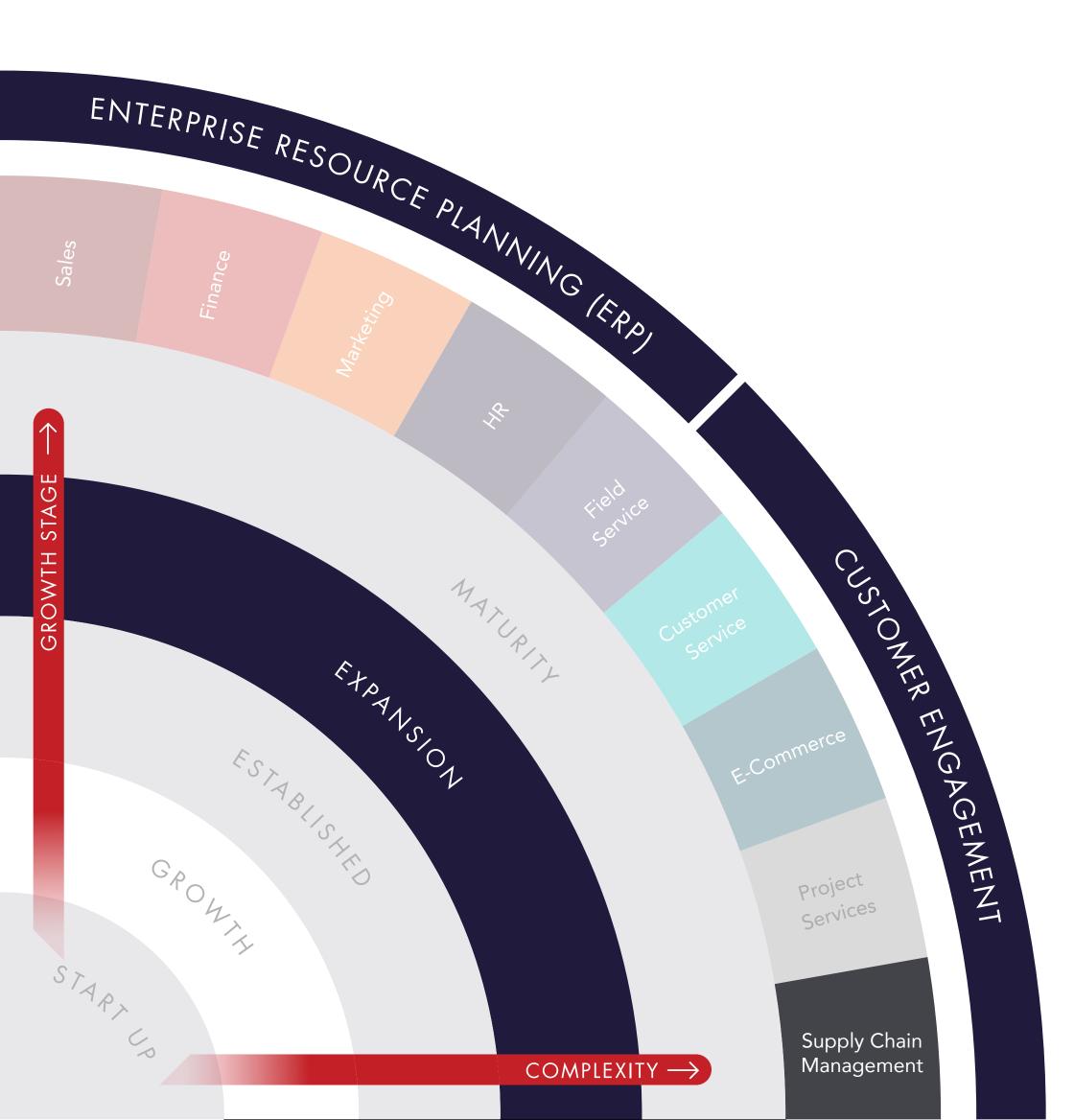
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Expansion / Pain Point 2 / Supply Chain Management / Challenges



SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



Supply Chain Management Disparate systems are difficult to integrate, particularly during M&A

CHALLENGES

Without real-time information, it's difficult to efficiently manage logistics and supply chain operations. Maintenance ends up being reactive rather than proactive, stock levels have to be recorded manually (an error-prone process), and customers end up being given inaccurate delivery times. Without end-to-end visibility of the supply chain and warehousing operations, improvements can only be based on intuition.

Many businesses also have disparate or disconnected procurement systems, particularly as they grow across territories. This makes it difficult to spot cost inefficiencies.

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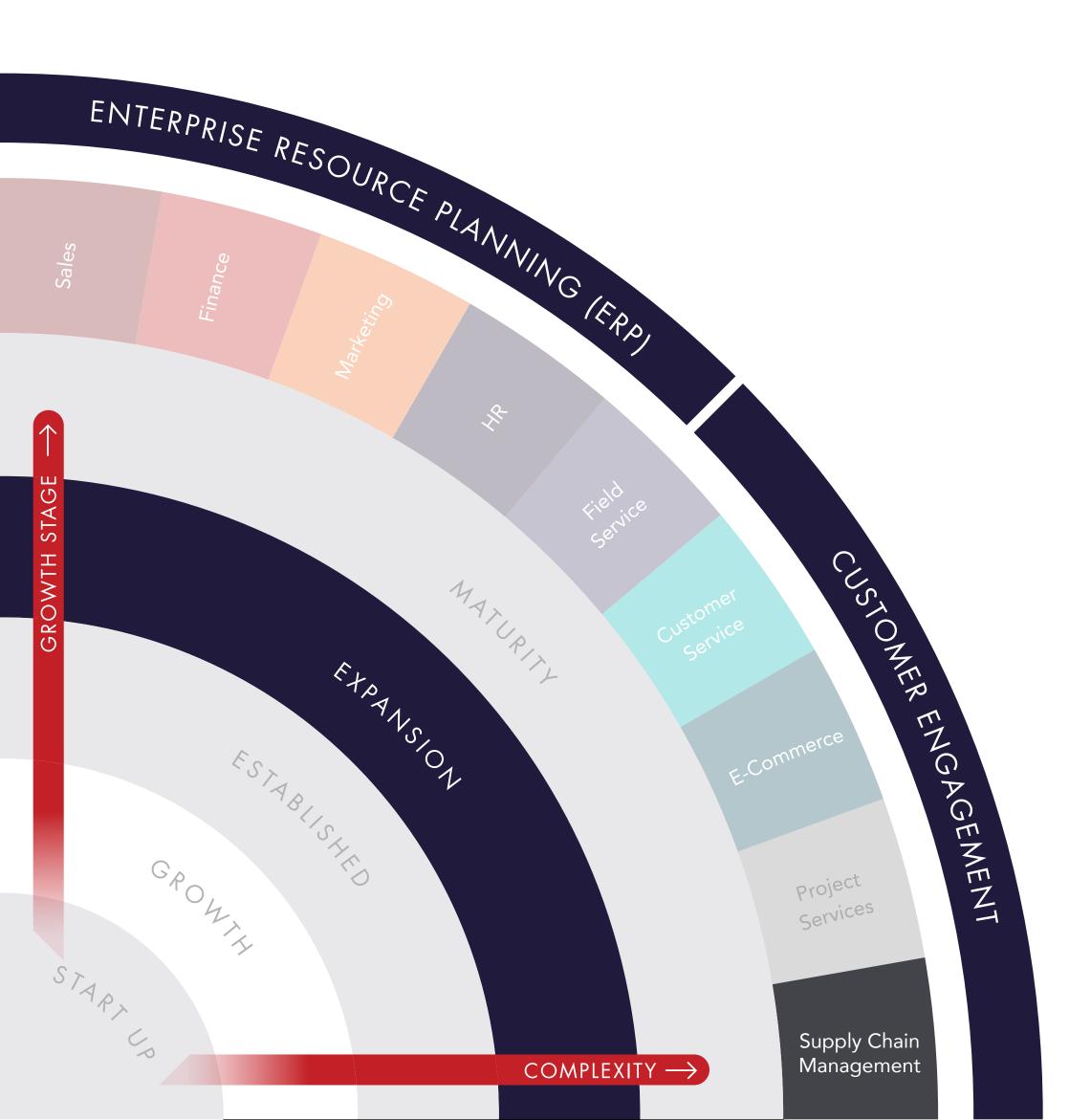
With machine-learning-enhanced warehouse management through Dynamics, your clients can accurately report and forecast stock levels, helping them to move from a reactive to proactive supply chain operation. Dynamics also integrates IoT devices, so they can fix issues in advance to prevent downtime and extend the life of equipment.

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SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Asset management

Inventory management

Production central

Procurement and sourcing

Transportation

Warehouse management

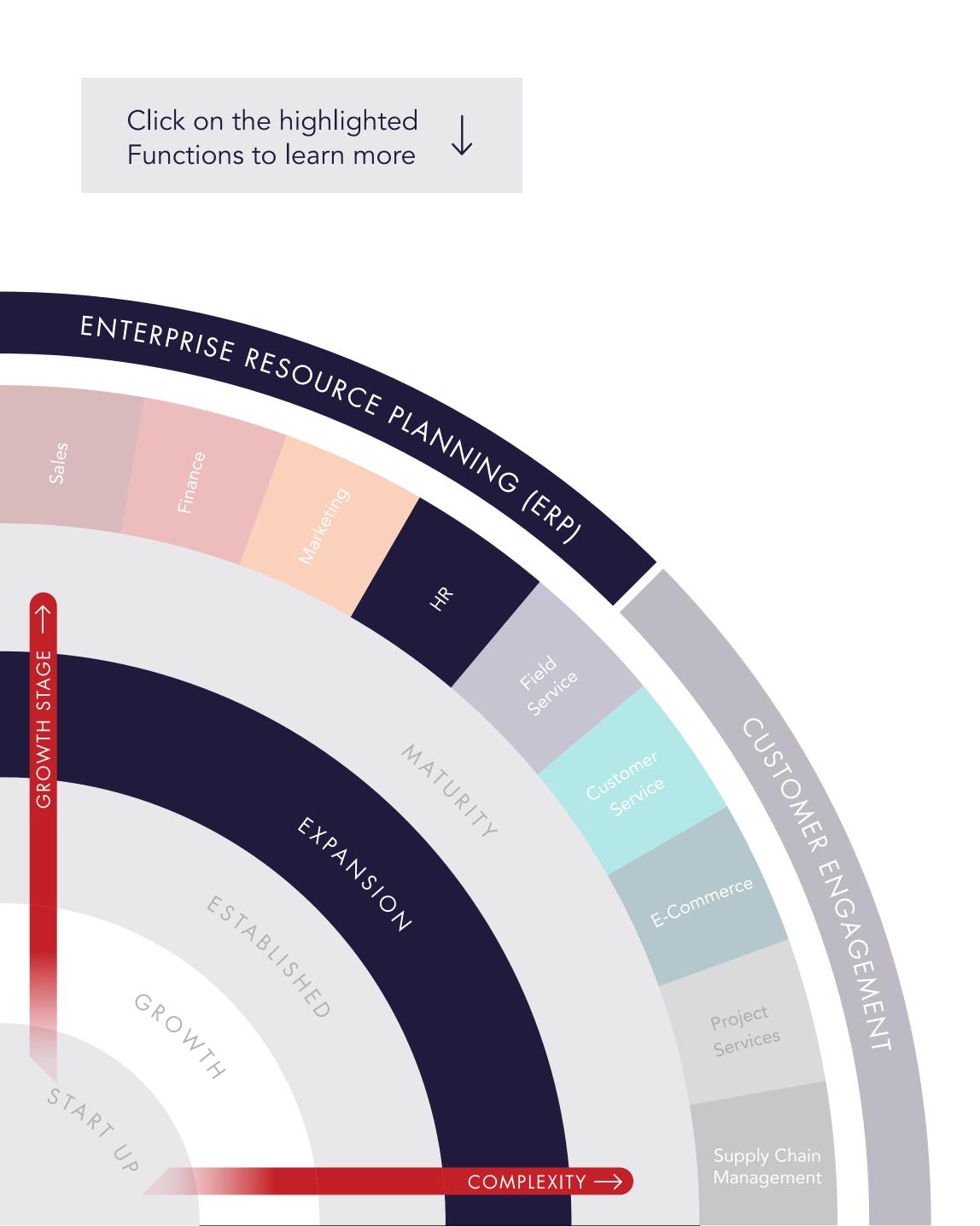
Fleet management

Dynamics 365 Supply Chain Management









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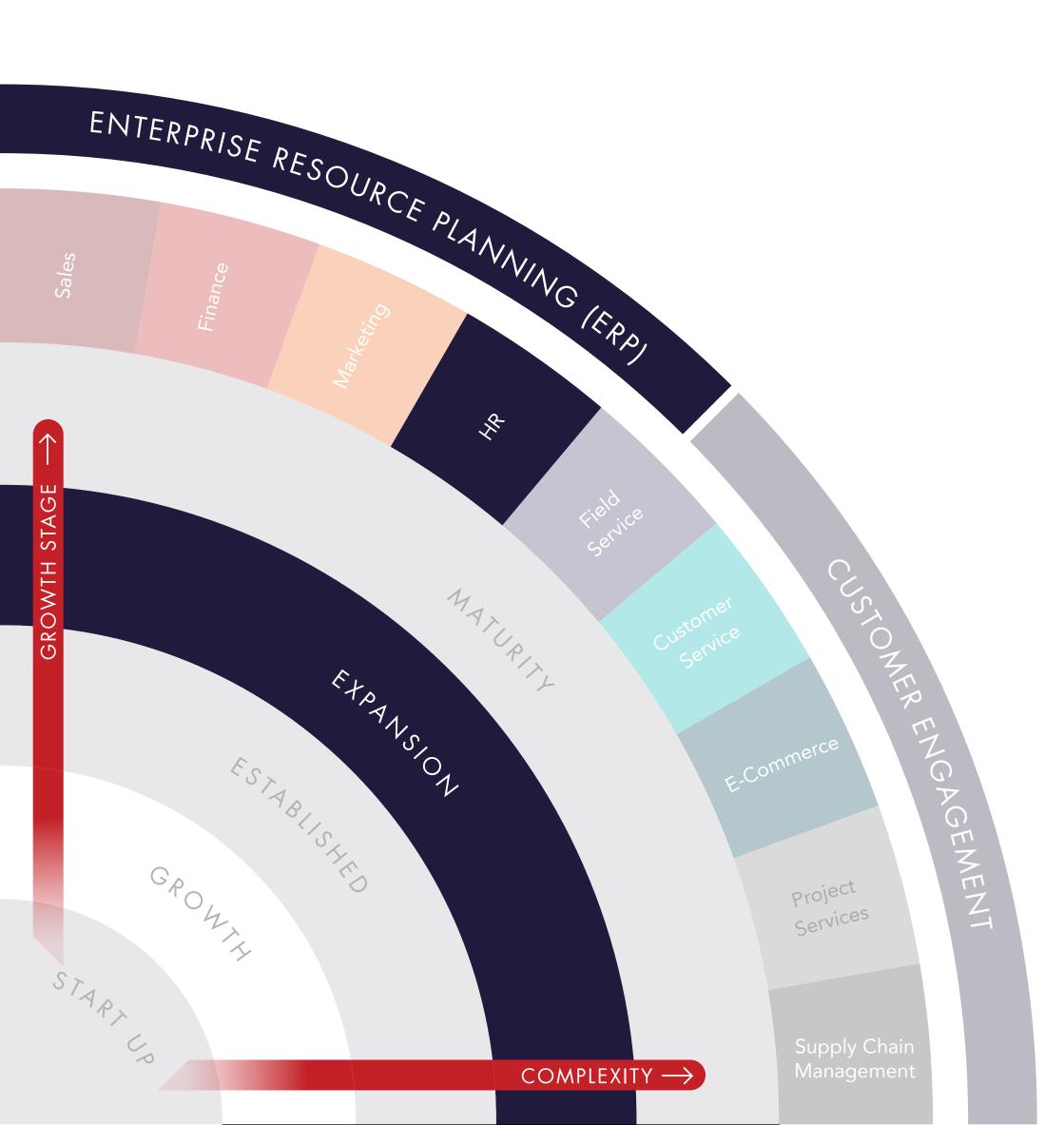


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Expansion / Pain Point 3 / HR / Challenges



HR: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS

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HR

The challenge of nurturing staff and recruiting top talent quickly – particularly in new geographies

CHALLENGES

As a business grows, its HR processes and systems become increasingly complex. HR managers need to report on employees' wellbeing, learning and development, absences, annual leave, and much more.

That's on top of trying to make recruitment and onboarding more efficient, centralising core HR processes, and giving managers the tools and training they need to manage their team members.

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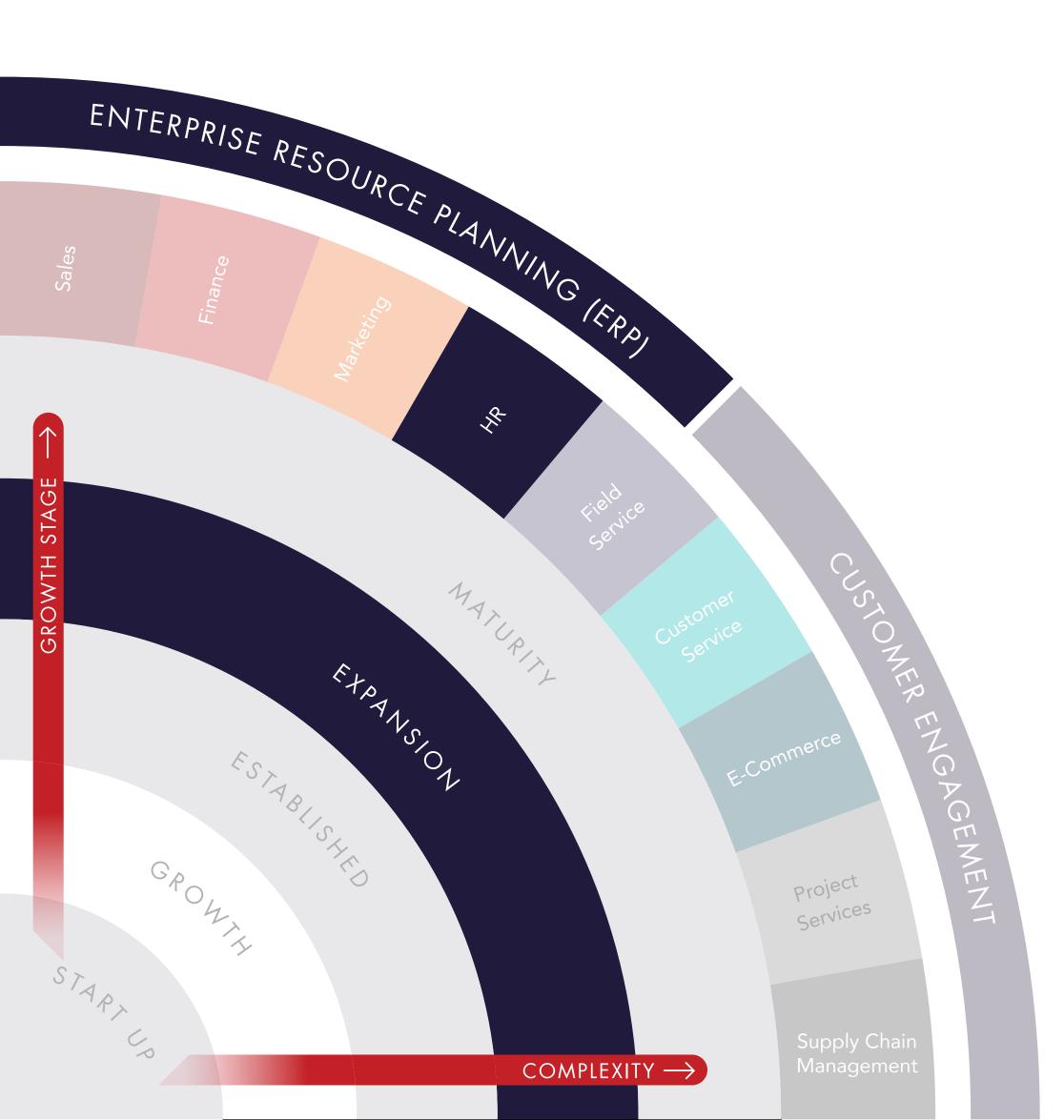
Dynamics helps deliver an HR solution that takes better care of your people, so they in turn can take better care of your business. It enables HR self-service for employees, provides a platform for training and certification, ensures security, privacy and compliance, and empowers managers to address concerns effectively. At the same time, Dynamics can support

HR teams to simplify reporting with rich dashboards, helping leaders make informed decisions. By identifying and engaging the right candidates, businesses can feel confident that they're bringing in the right people to support future growth.





Expansion / Pain Point 3 / HR / Capabilities



HR: EXPANSION

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HR The challenge of nurturing staff and recruiting top talent quickly – particularly in new geographies

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

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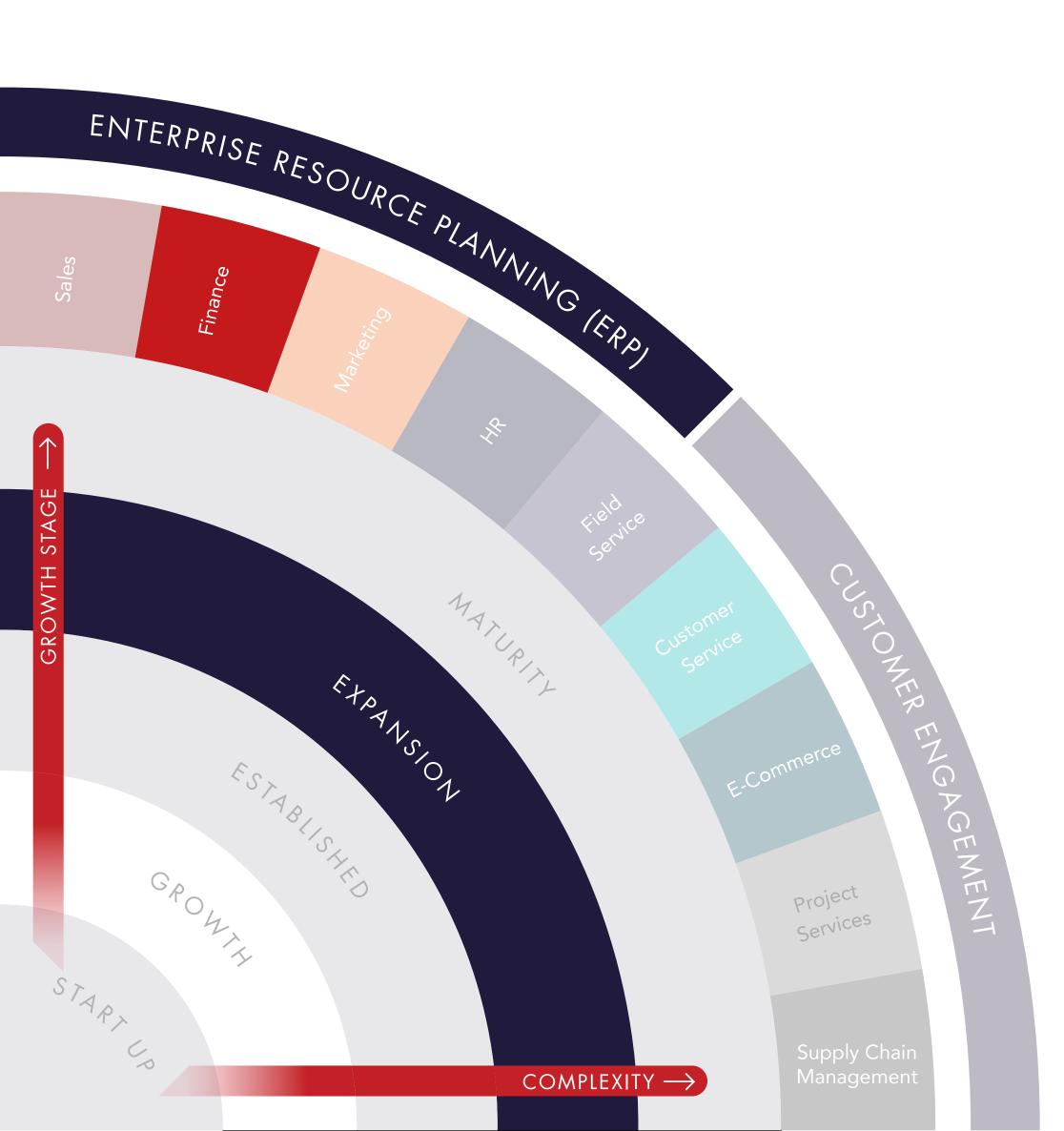


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Expansion / Pain Point 4, 7 / Finance / Challenges



FINANCE: EXPANSION

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Finance

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Finance Inability to manage expansion amidst higher costs, greater risks, and the limits of manual and labourintensive processes

CHALLENGES

Many finance teams still struggle with timeconsuming tasks, sometimes having to integrate lots of different databases manually – even for basic processes like billing. It's difficult to share information across departments for order processing, which results in longer lead times. And despite the wealth of financial data available, they might not have the reporting tools to get a look at the bigger picture for the business – which can hamper strategic decision-making.

This can be even harder if your clients offer subscription-based services rather than discrete products; managing subscriptions is a drain on finance teams' time if they don't have automation or digital tools at hand.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

Dynamics can help finance teams maximise their profitability and automate financial operations to make their lives much easier and help them focus on more strategic work. It allows them to monitor performance in real time, predict future outcomes and make decisions to drive business growth.

Intelligent data insights can offer predictive recommendations, to increase profit and cashflow, while Dynamics also makes it easier to cut operational costs with process automation and more efficient financial planning.

And for clients with subscription services, automated recurring billing through Dynamics saves time and effort for the finance team.

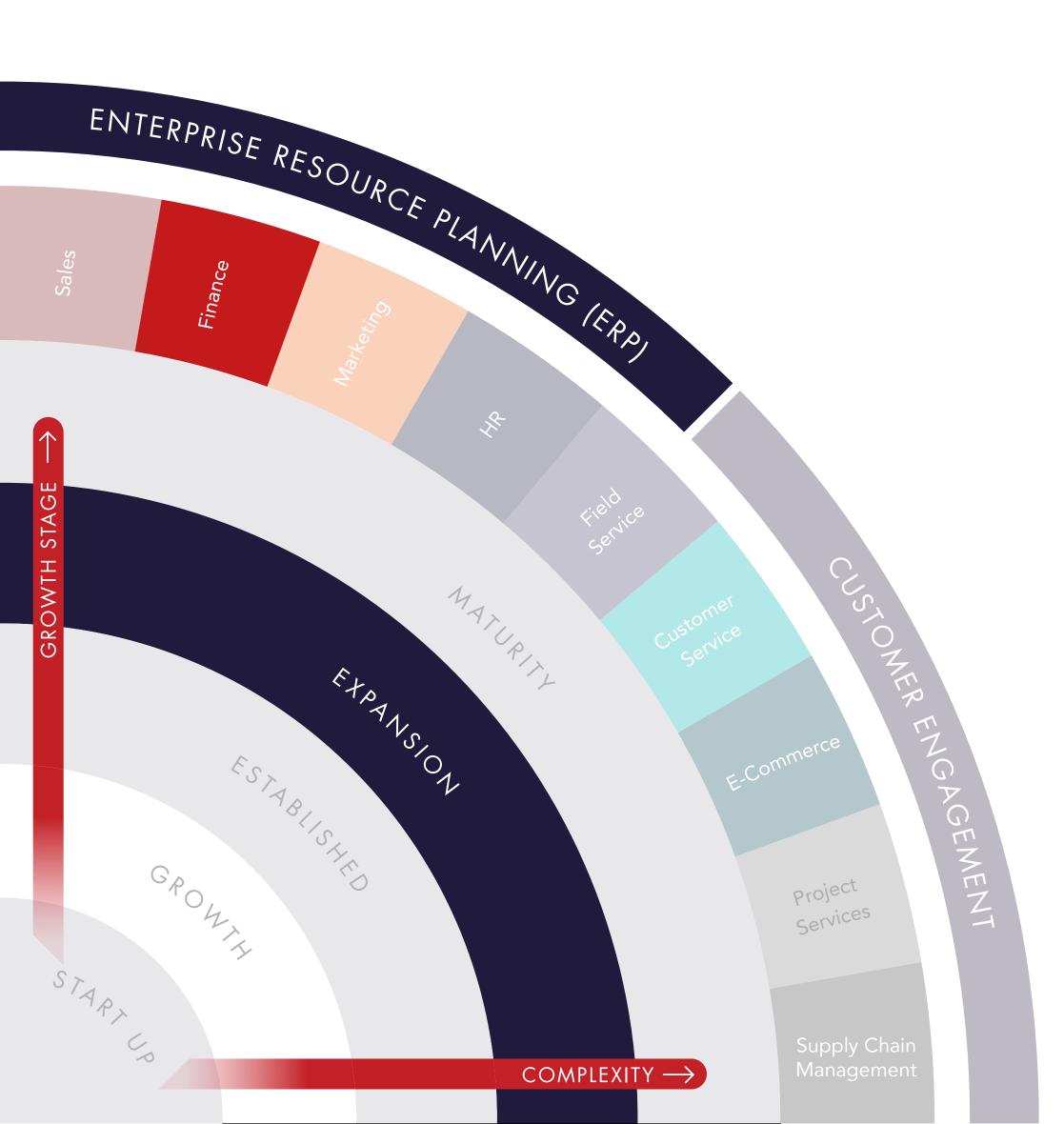




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Expansion / Pain Point 4, 7 / Finance / Capabilities



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PAIN POINTS



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Finance

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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Credit management

Treasury

Accounts receivable

Accounts payable

Budgeting

Cost management

Fixed assets

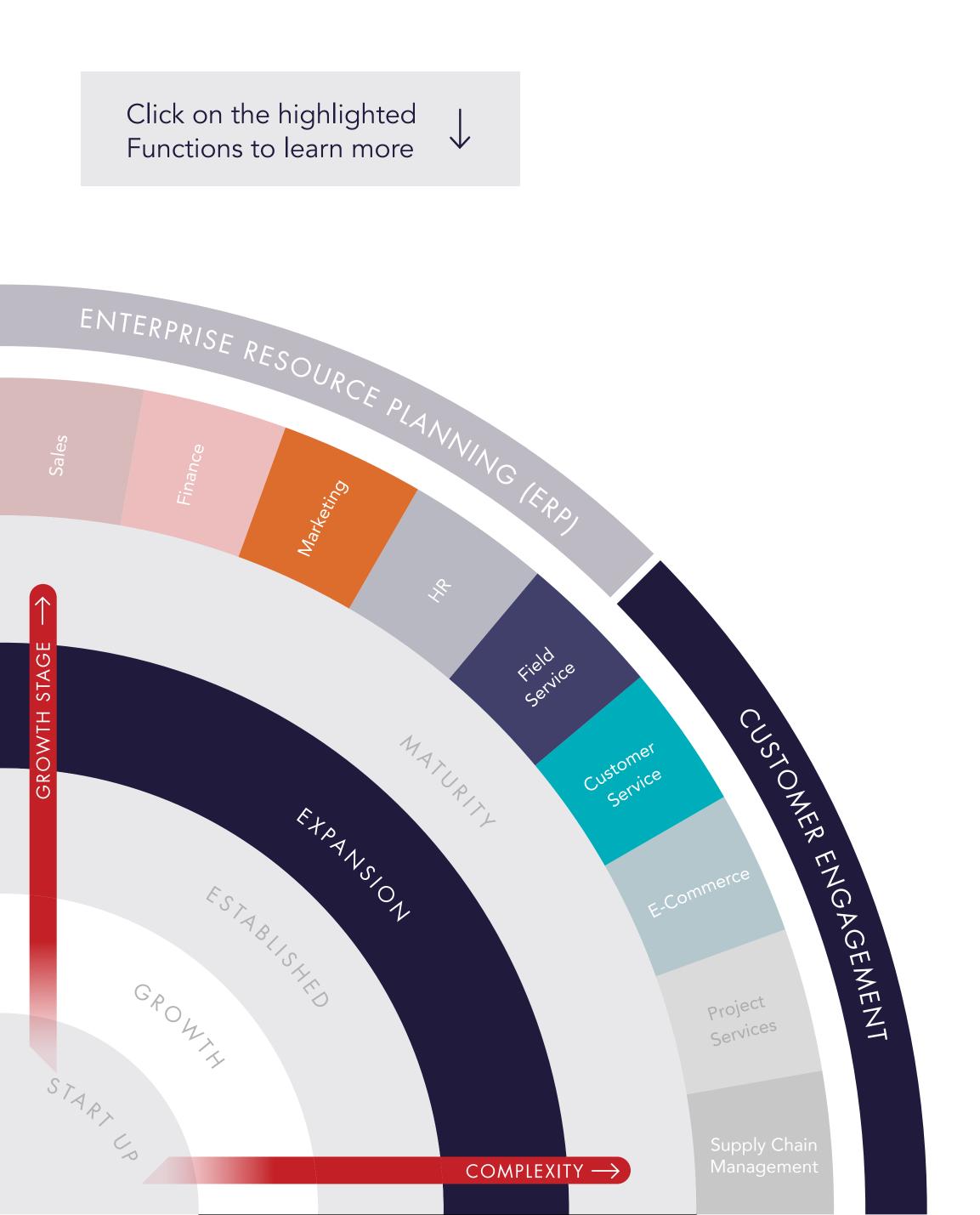
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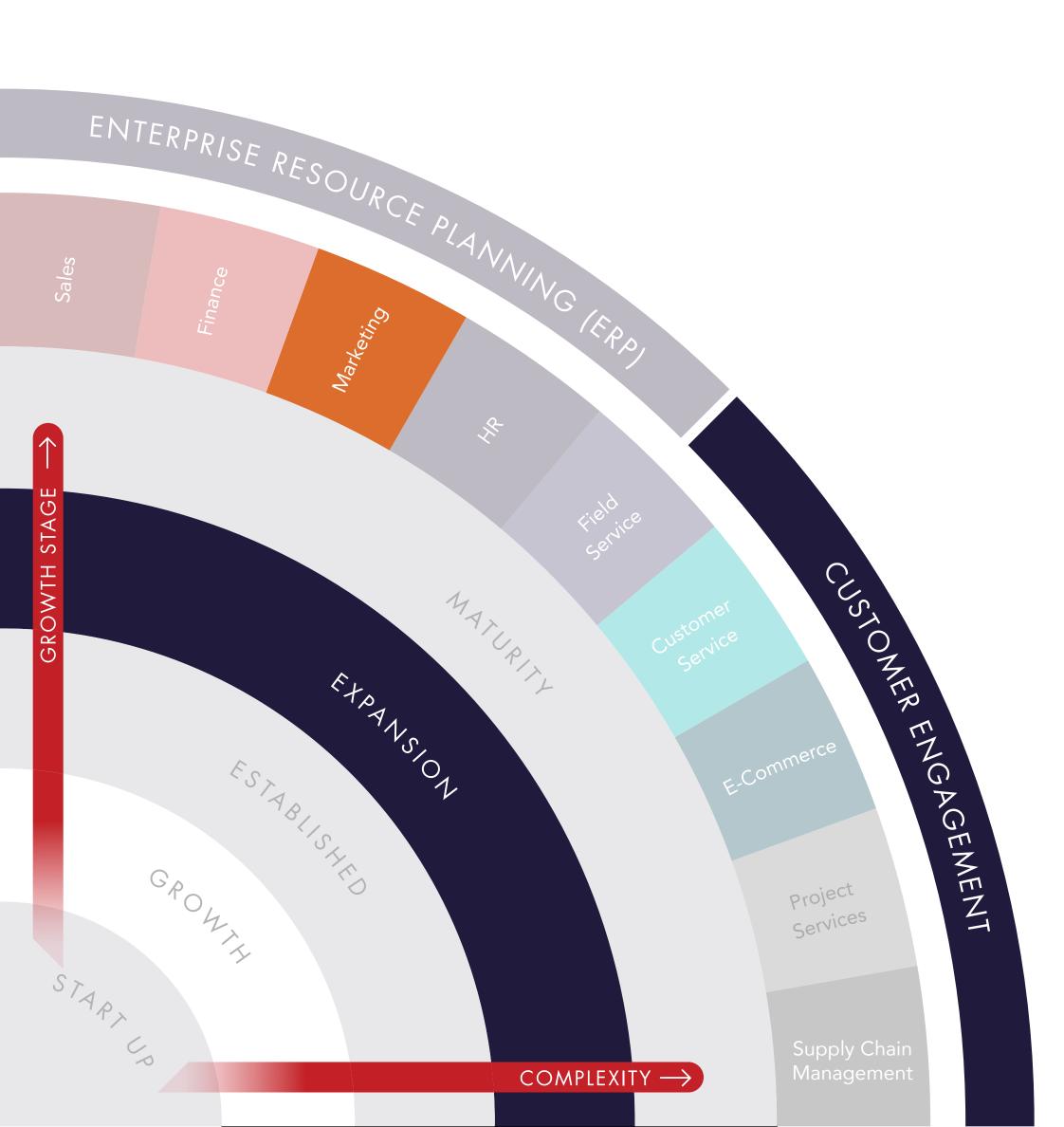


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Expansion / Pain Point 5, 6 / Marketing / Challenges



MARKETING: EXPANSION

PAIN POINTS



Marketing Expansion sometimes comes at the expense

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Marketing Struggling to understand the preferences of the target market, and consider new and different channels to market

CHALLENGES

One of the biggest challenges for marketing departments is getting accurate, up-todate data and making sense of how to use it effectively. They may have a large customer database that doesn't yield any useful insights from, or too few staff to consistently communicate with their network.

This makes it difficult to send timely information to the right customers, hampering crosssell and upsell efforts, and opening the door for competitors. For those customers they do communicate with, marketers without a platform like Dynamics may struggle to monitor email open rates or link customer touchpoints to sales data. It's very hard to track results or understand whether they are adding value.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

Dynamics for Marketing helps teams plan and deliver campaigns; increase customer demand for their products and services; create, track and nurture leads; and personalise communications for prospects and customers across channels.

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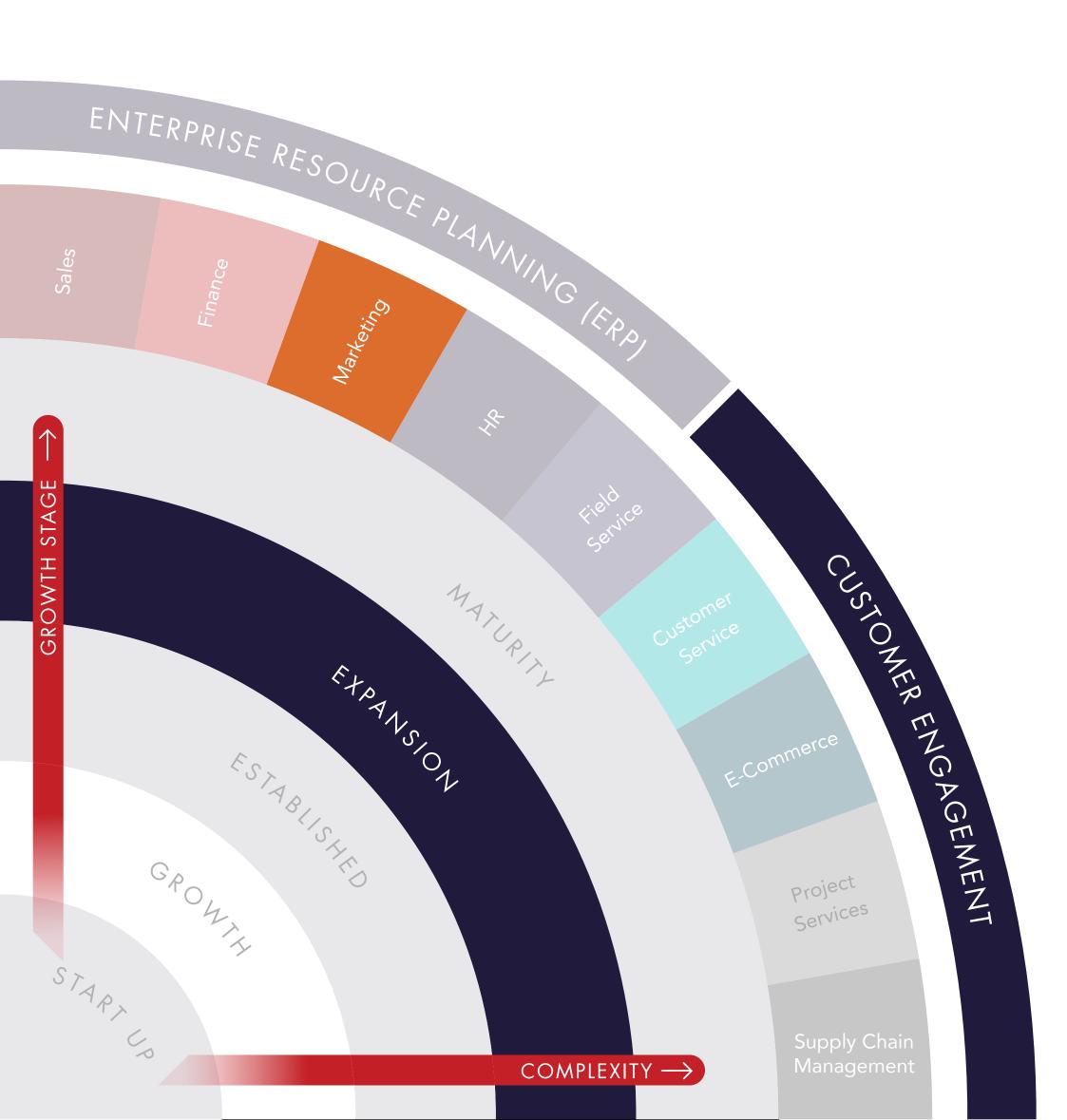
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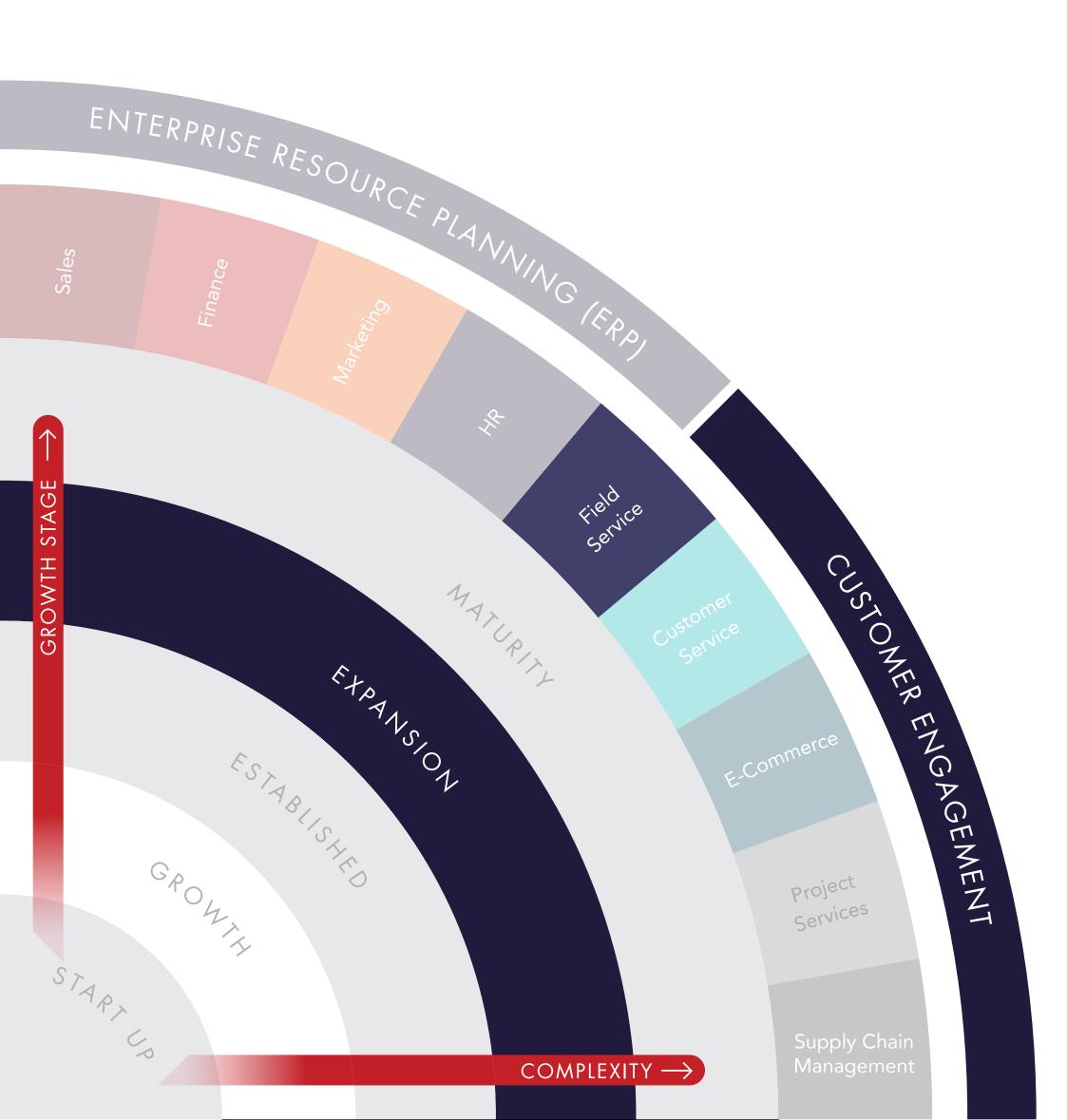
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- Lead scoring
- Marketing segmenting
- Customer journeys
- Event management
- Connector for LinkedIn
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Dynamics 365 Marketing Dynamics 365 Customer Insight Power Apps





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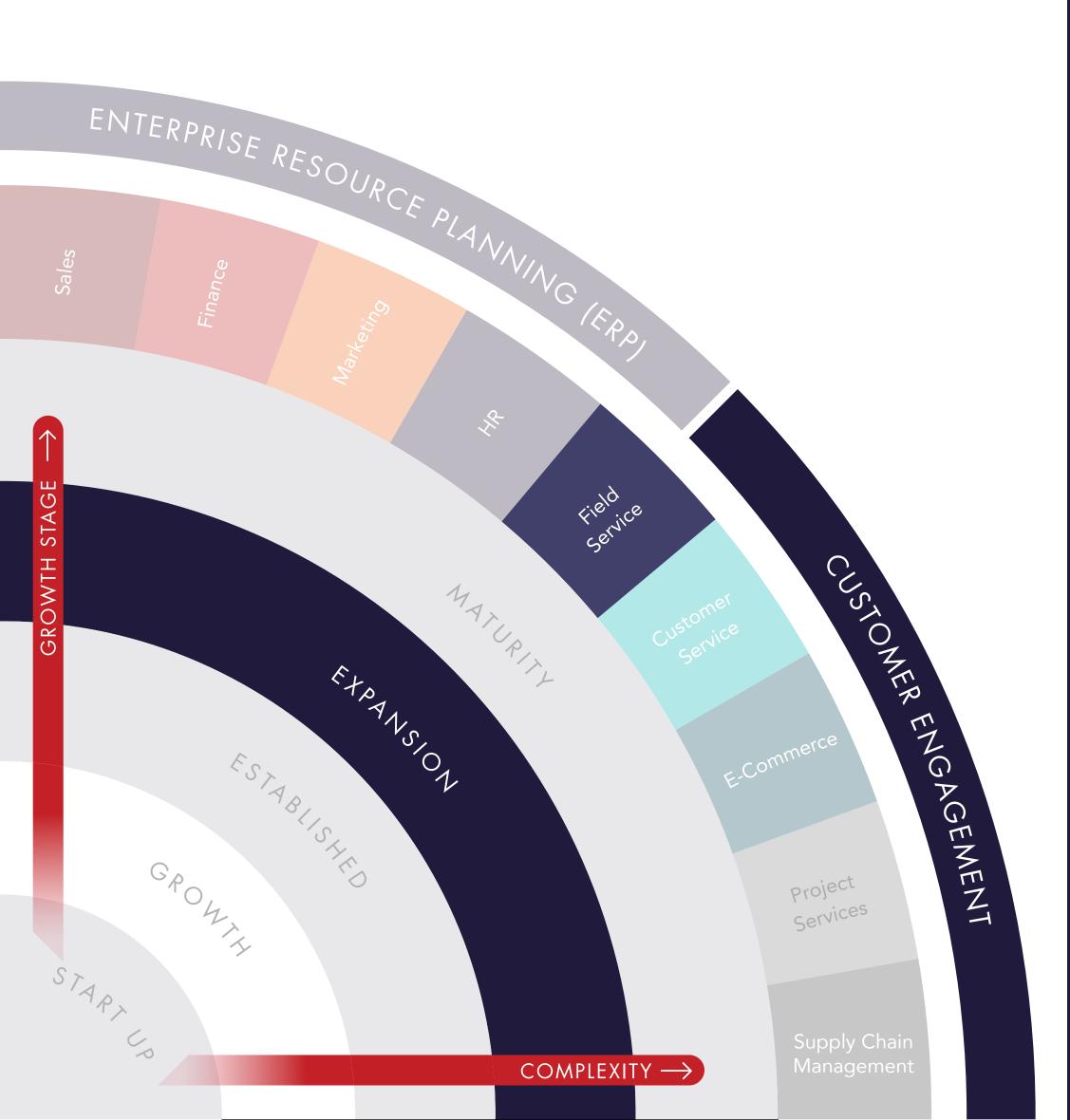
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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

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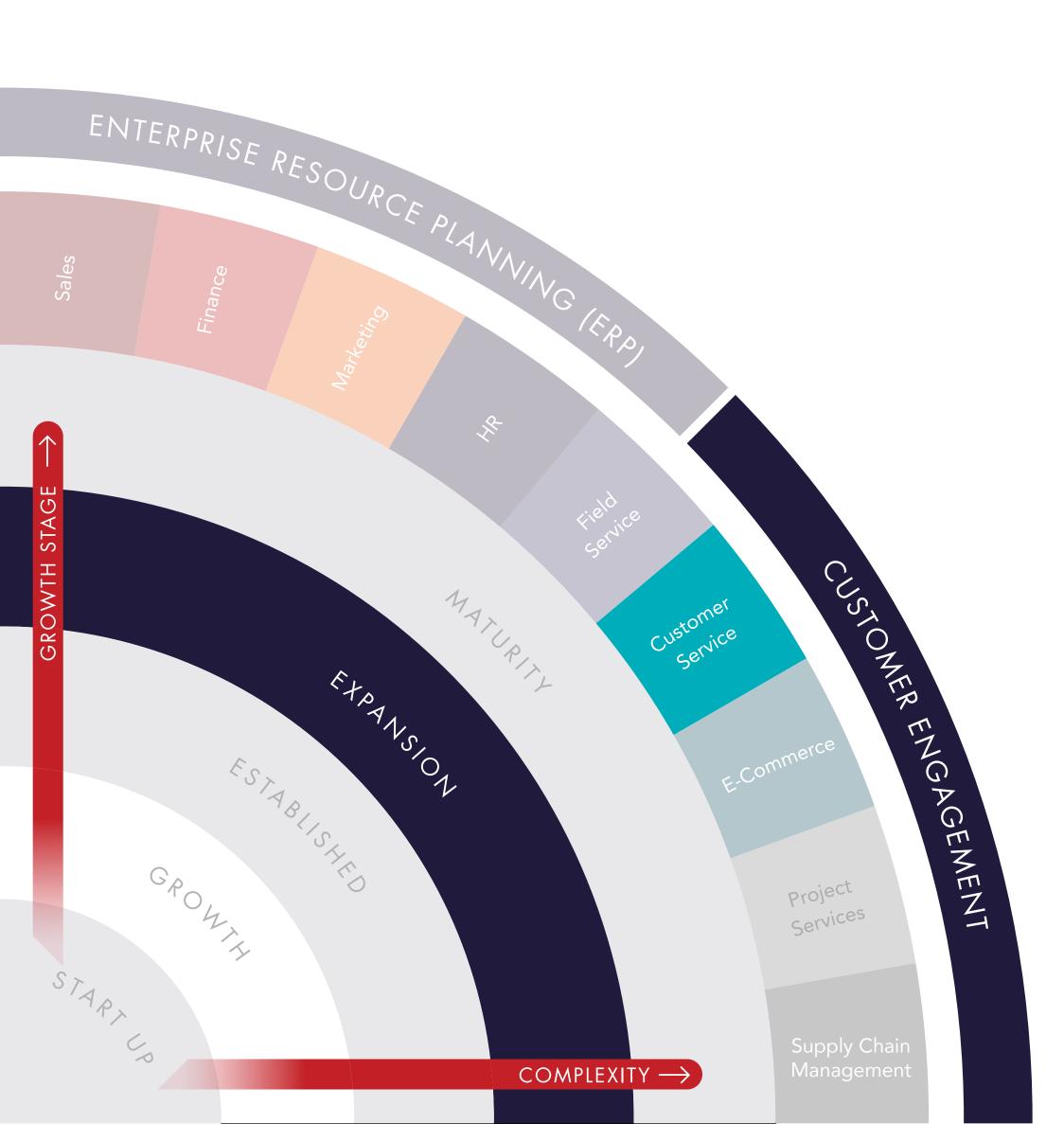
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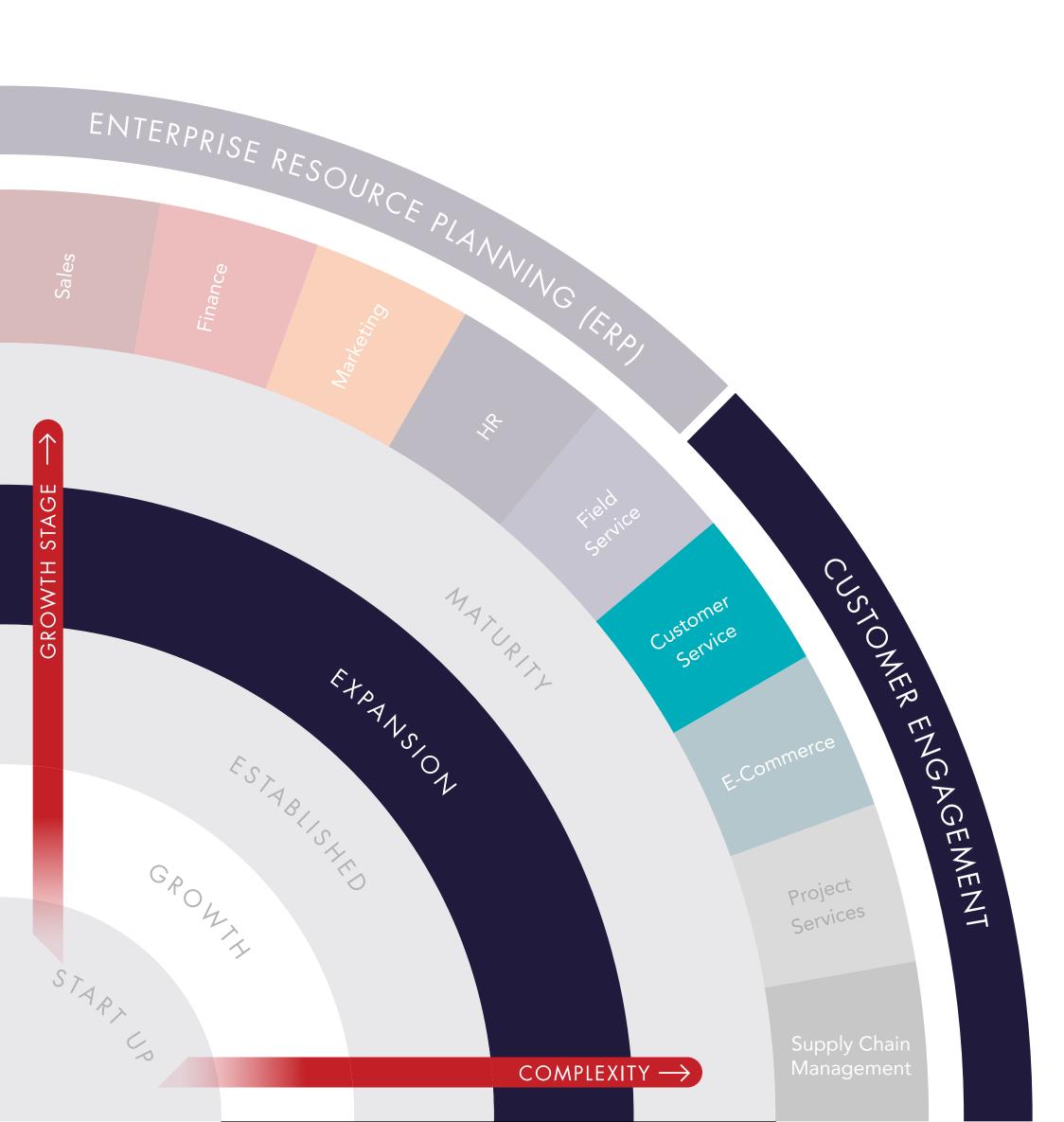
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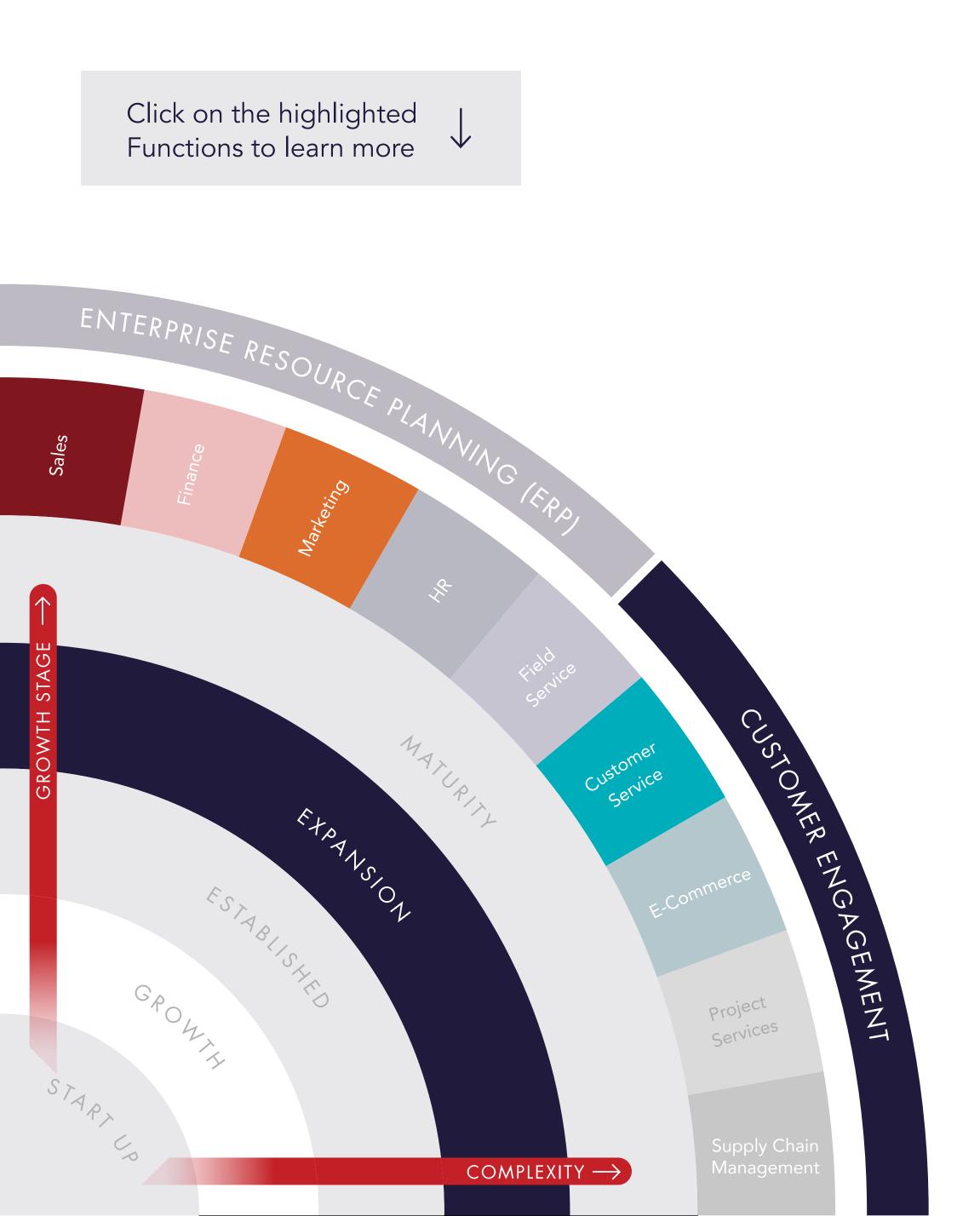
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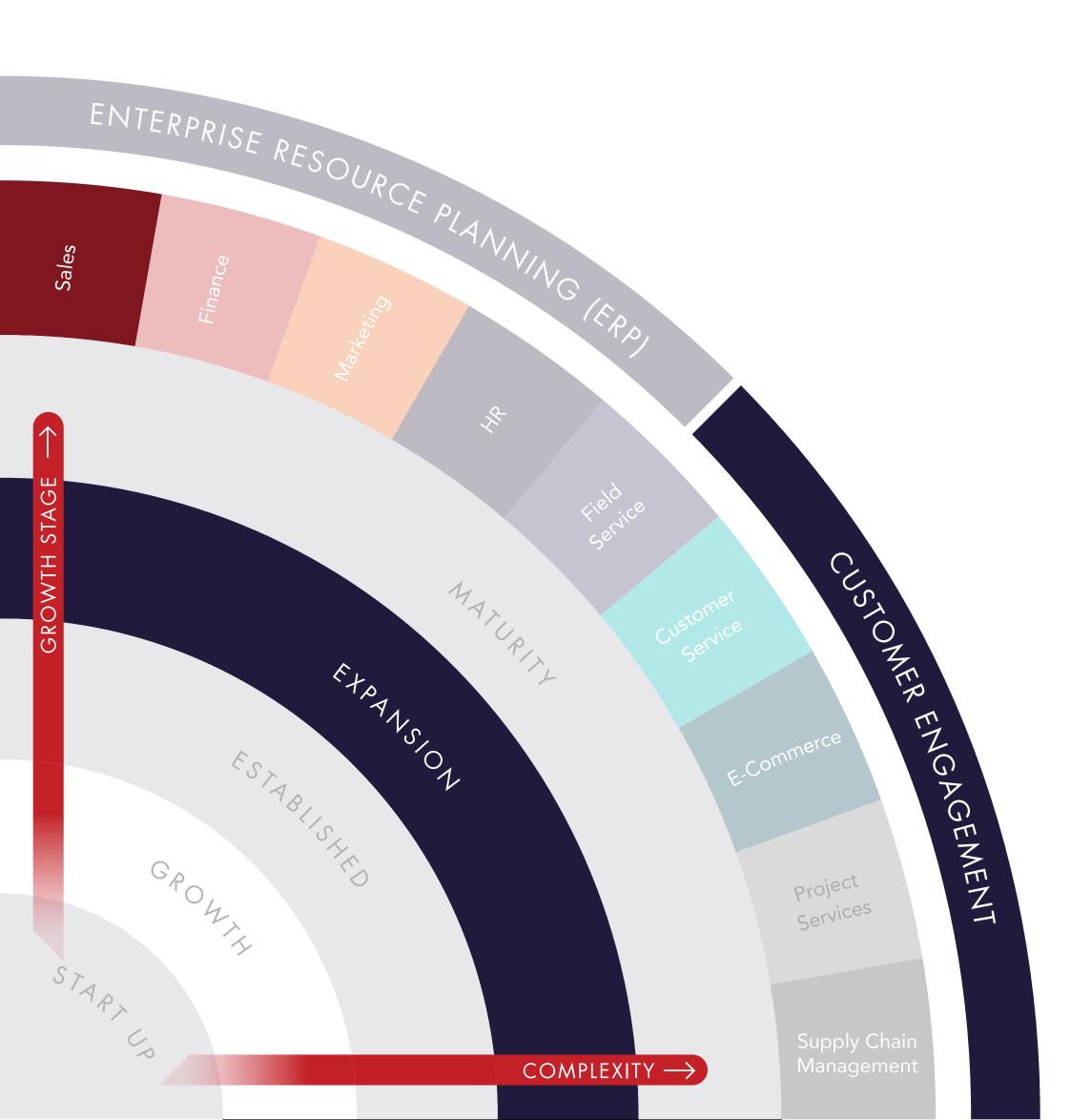


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Expansion / Pain Point 6 / Sales / Challenges



SALES: EXPANSION

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Sales

Struggling to understand the preferences of the target market, and consider new and different channels to market

CHALLENGES

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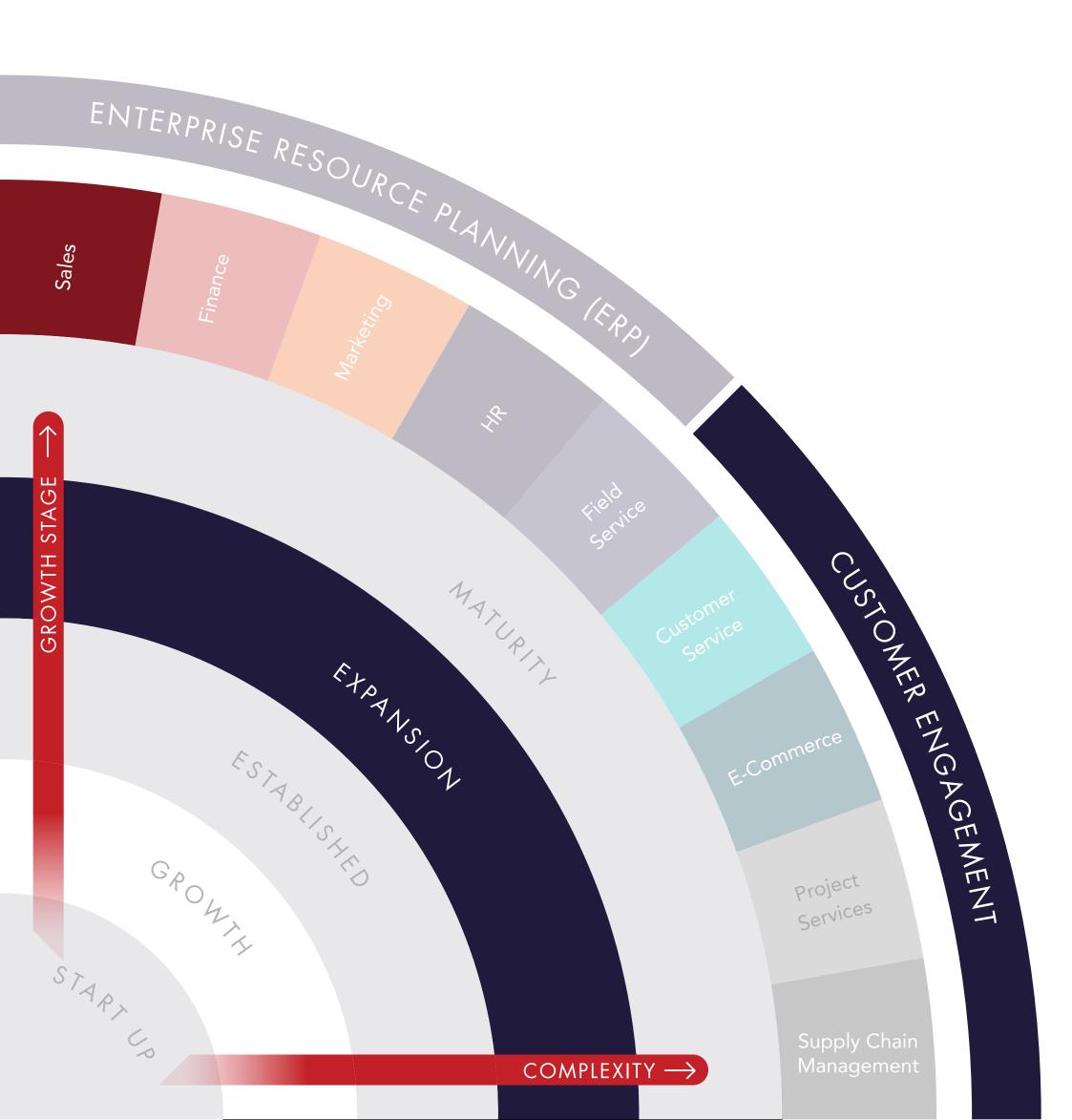
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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Lead management Opportunity management Pipeline forecasting Sales automation Quote management Marketing lists

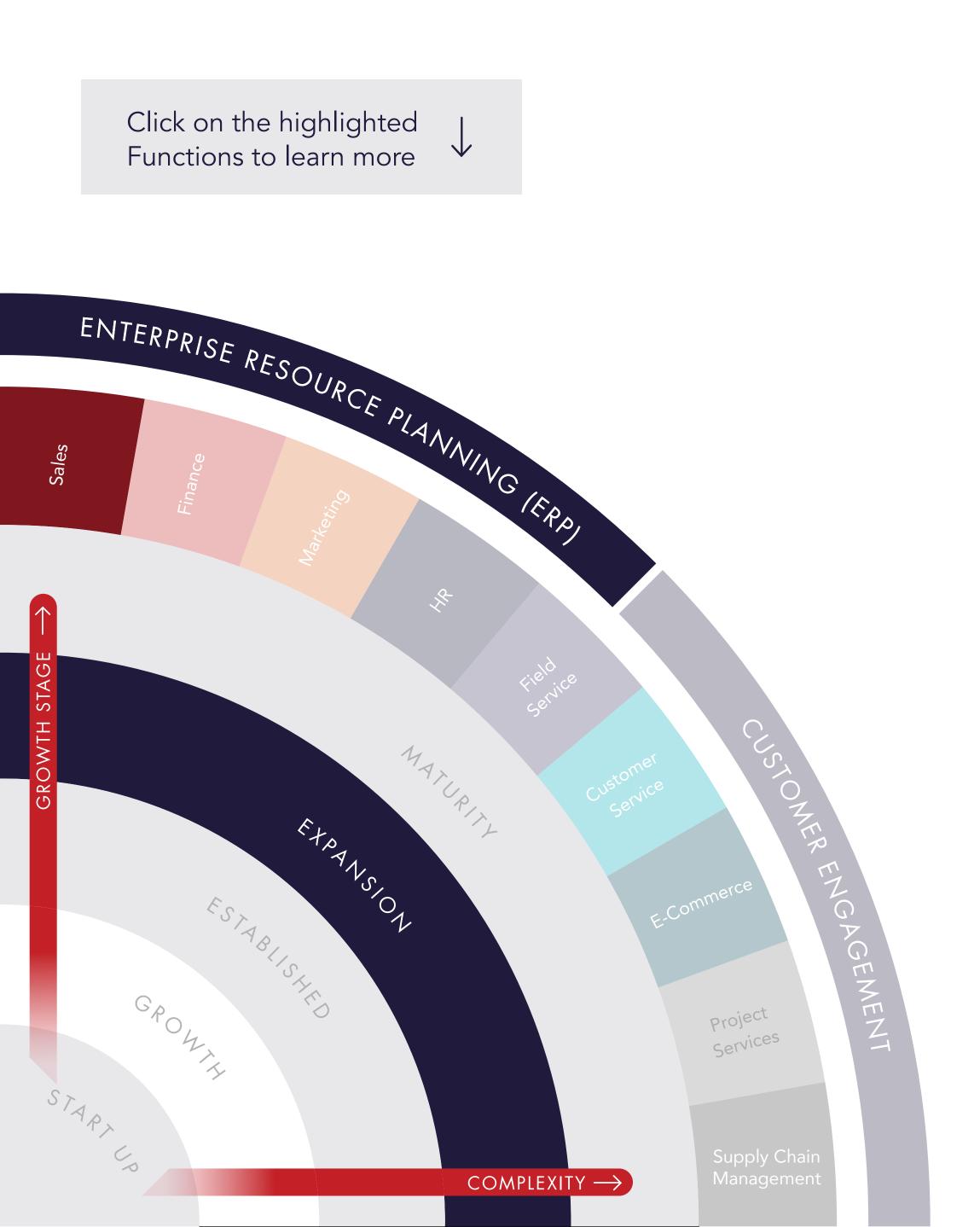
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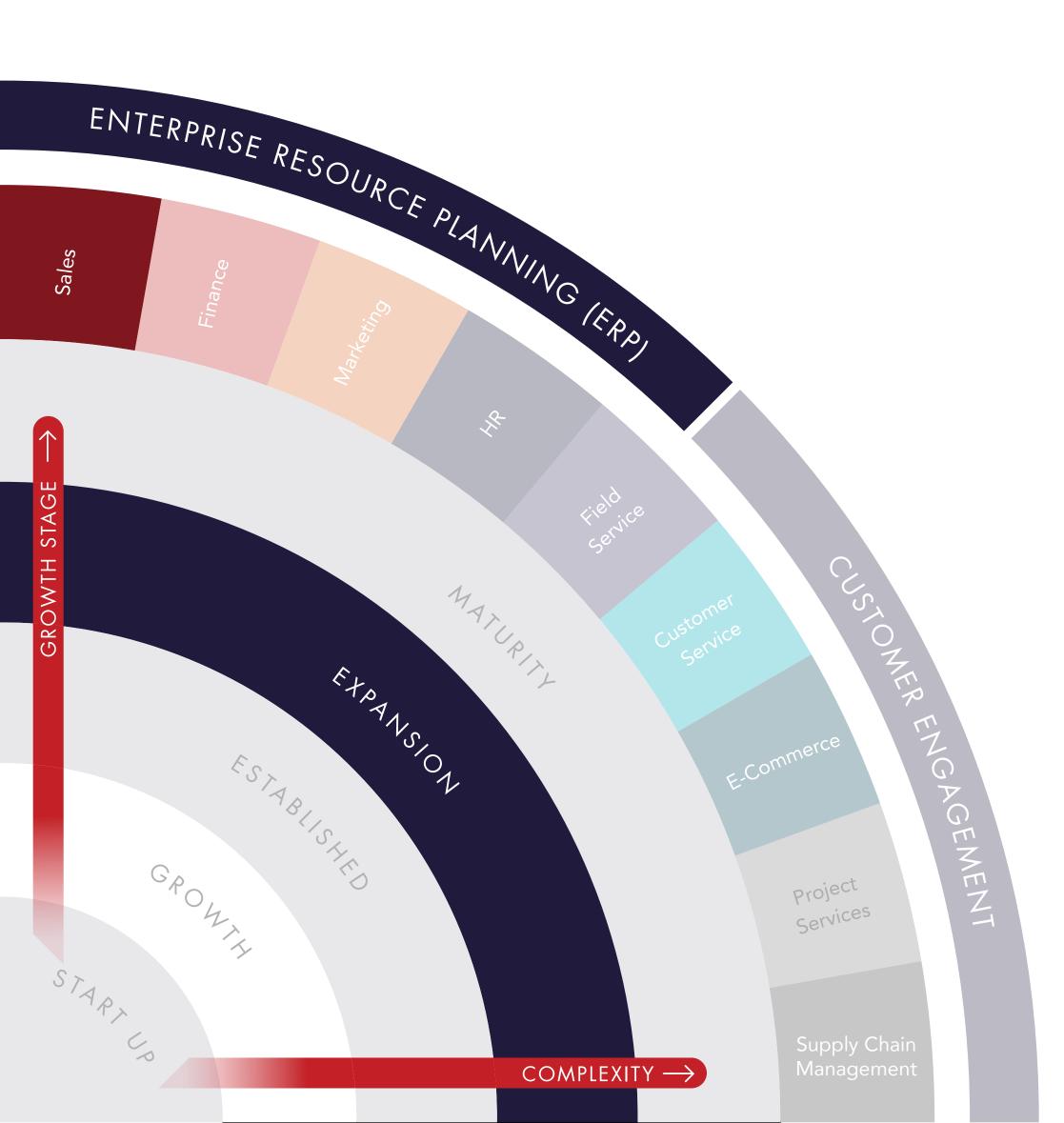
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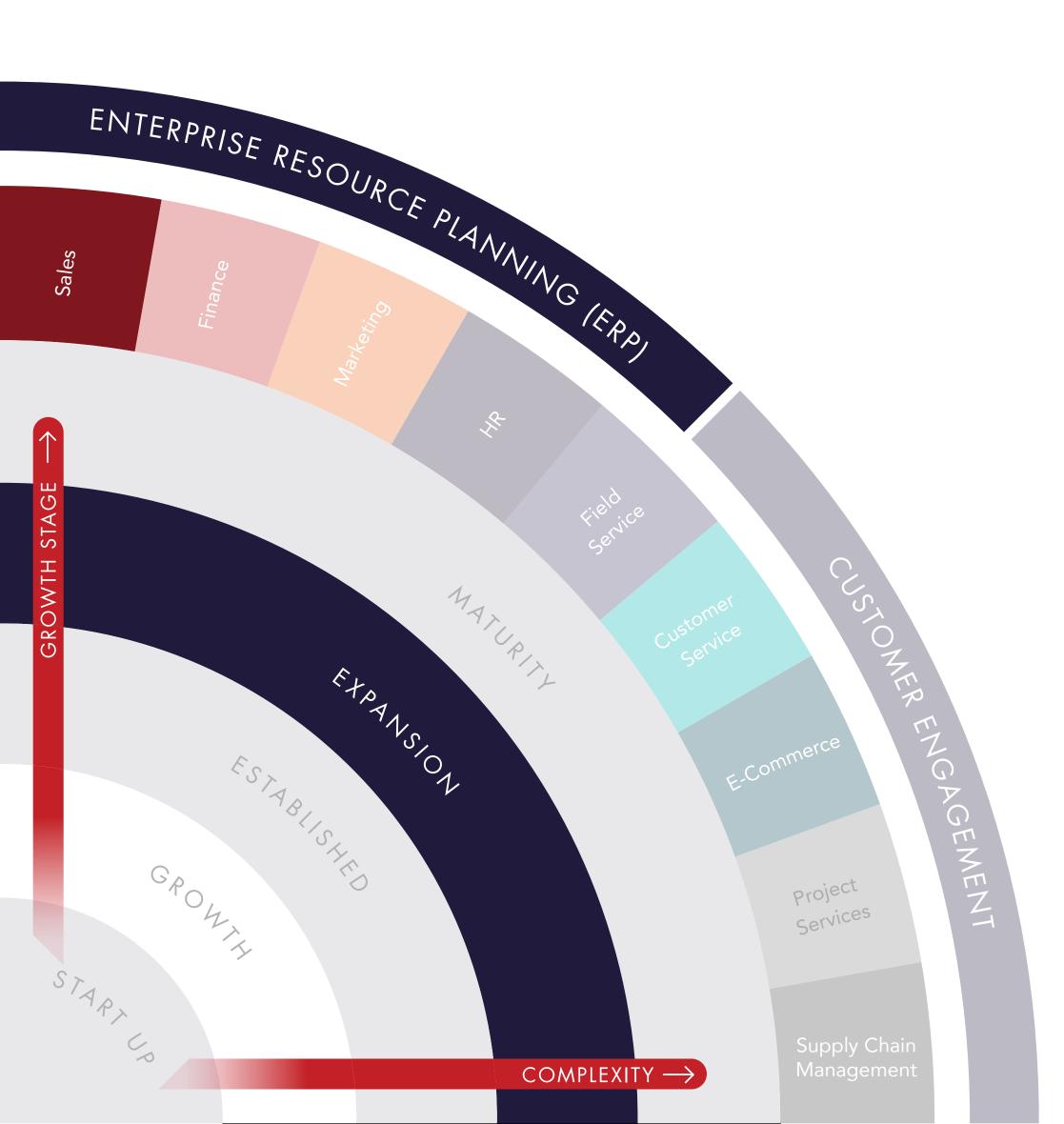
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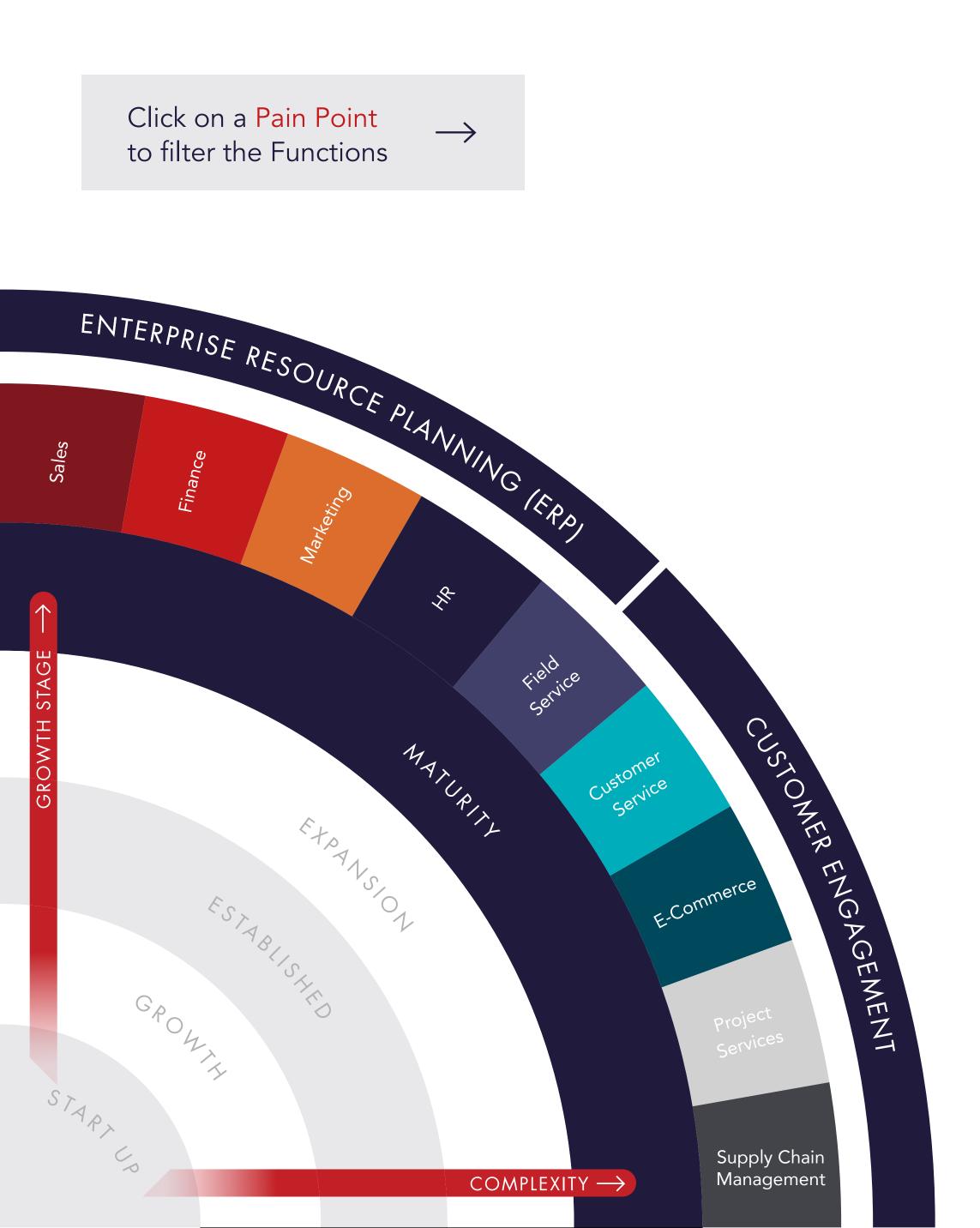
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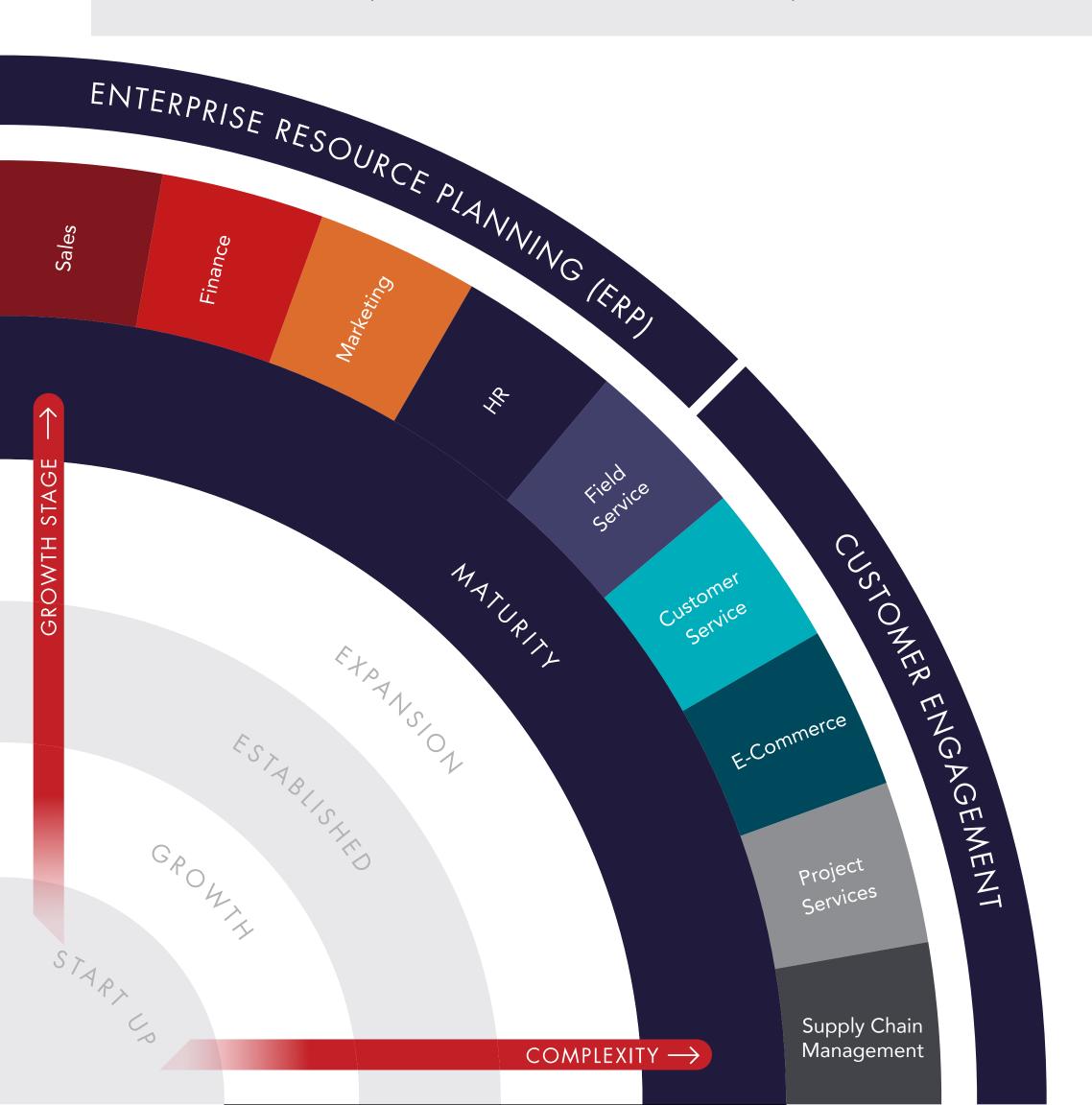
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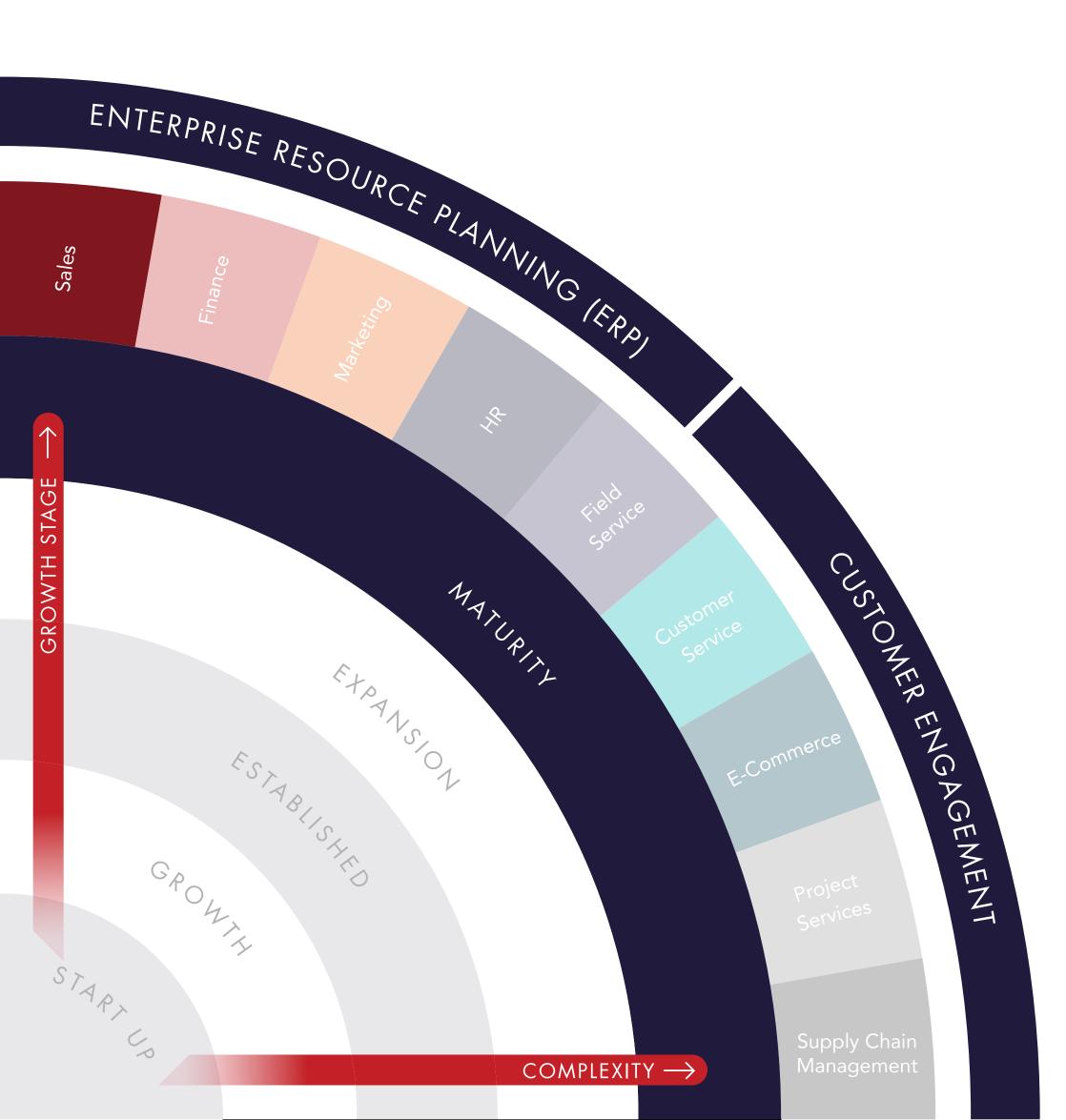
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Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / Sales / Challenges



SALES: MATURITY

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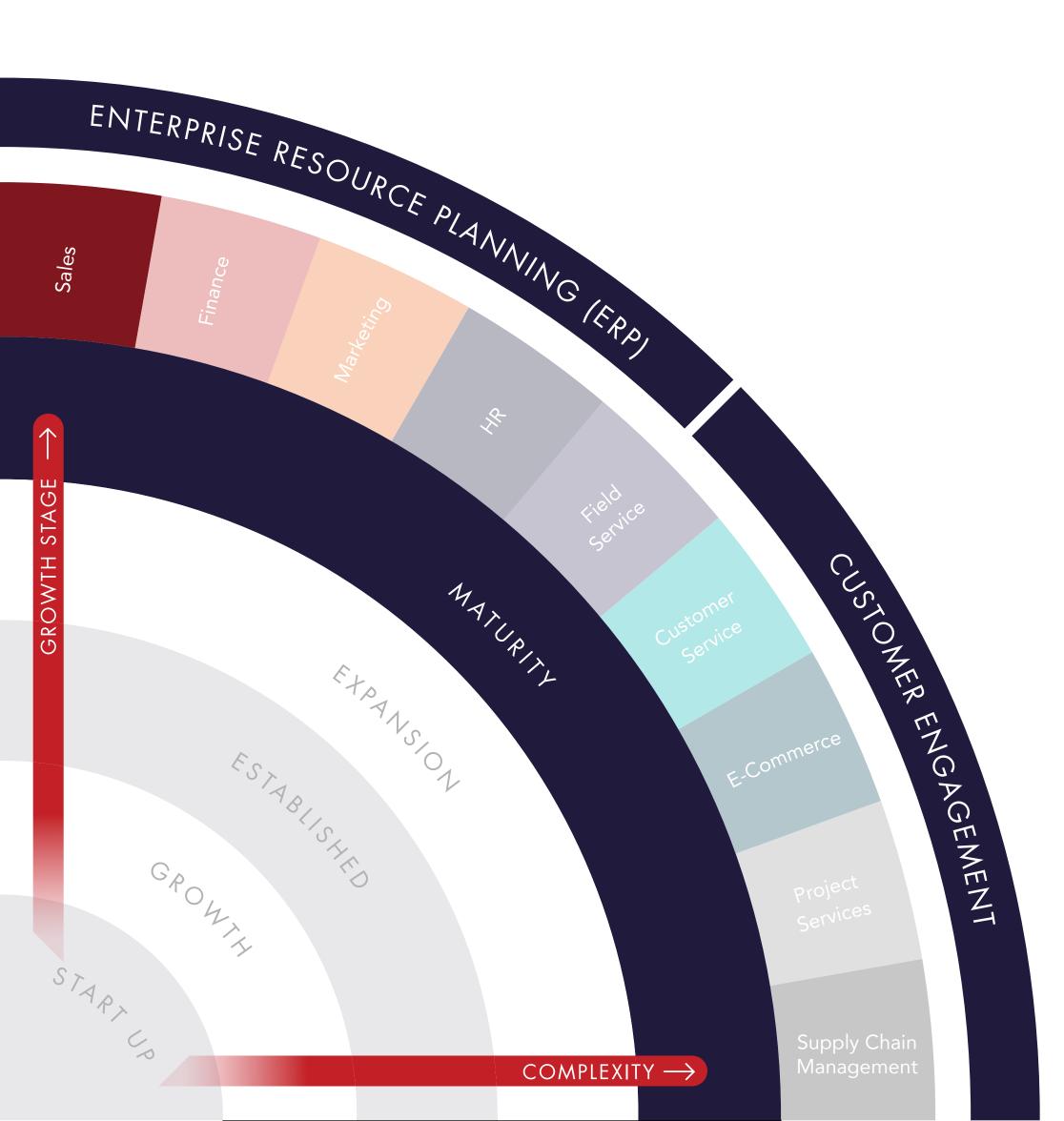
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- Opportunity management
- Pipeline forecasting
- Sales automation
- Quote management
- Marketing lists
- Email marketing

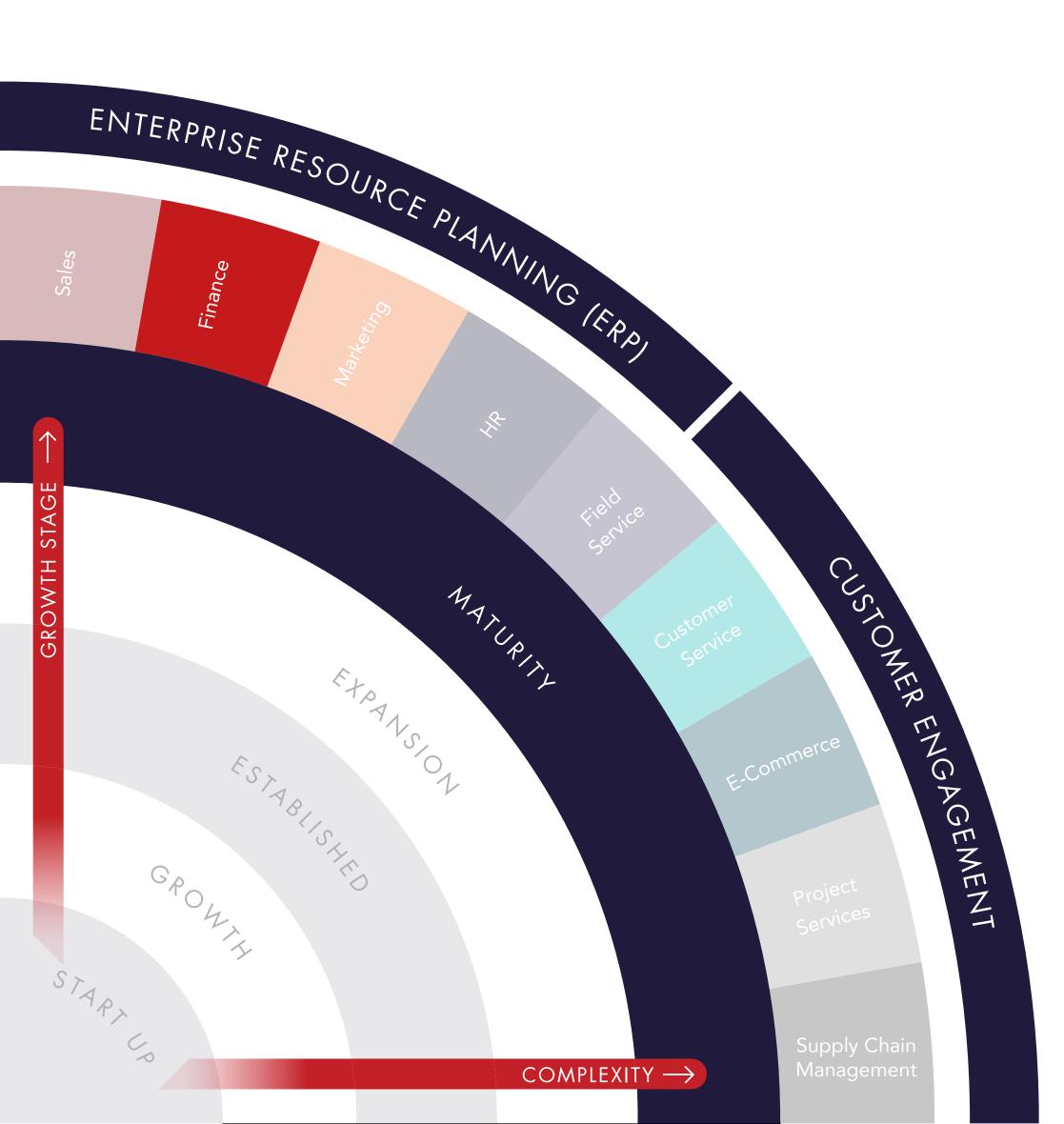
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Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / Finance / Challenges



FINANCE: MATURITY

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CHALLENGES

Many finance teams still struggle with timeconsuming tasks, sometimes having to integrate lots of different databases manually – even for basic processes like billing. It's difficult to share information across departments for order processing, which results in longer lead times. And despite the wealth of financial data available, they might not have the reporting tools to get a look at the bigger picture for the business – which can hamper strategic decision-making.

This can be even harder if your clients offer subscription-based services rather than discrete products; managing subscriptions is a drain on finance teams' time if they don't have automation or digital tools at hand.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

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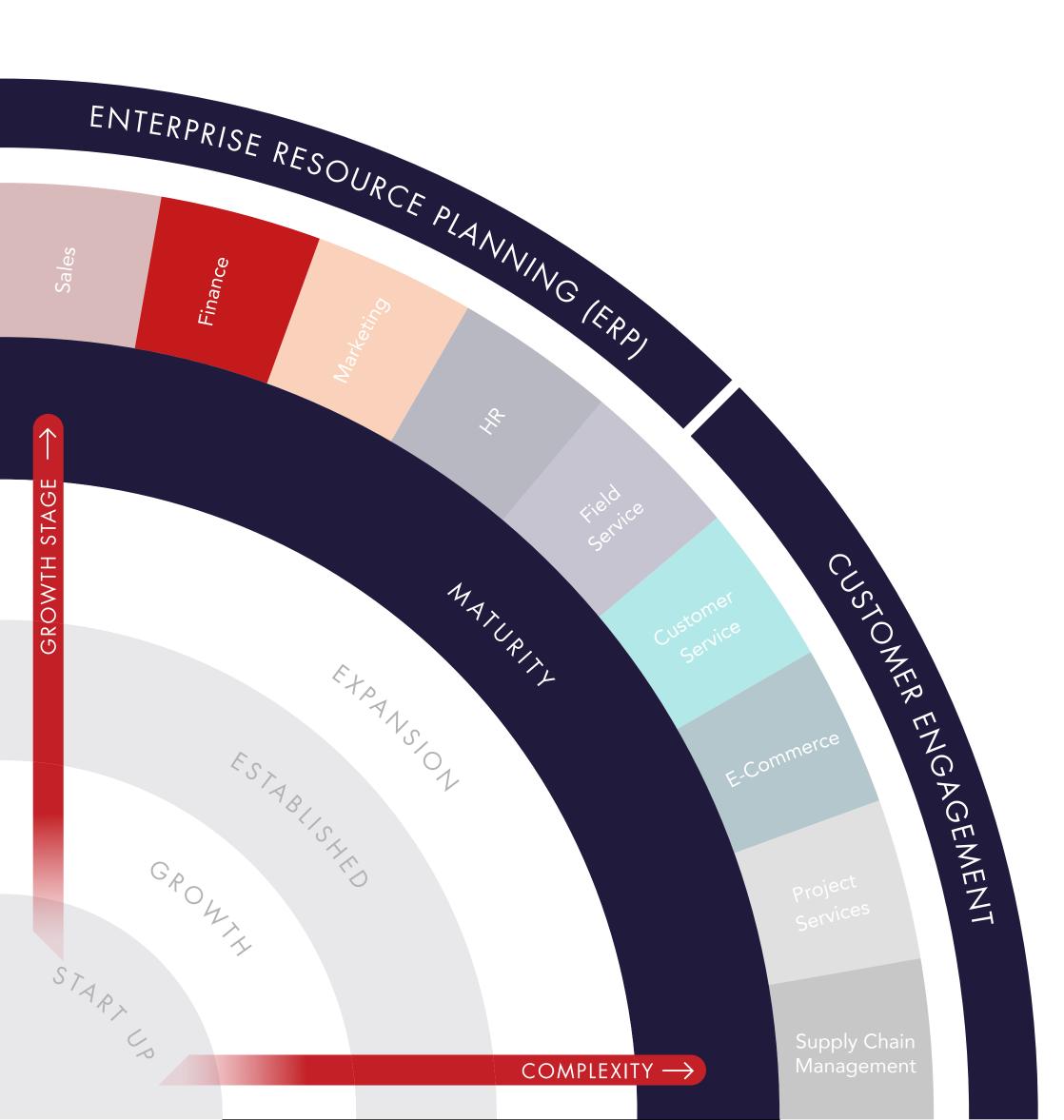
Intelligent data insights can offer predictive recommendations, to increase profit and cashflow, while Dynamics also makes it easier to cut operational costs with process automation and more efficient financial planning.

And for clients with subscription services, automated recurring billing through Dynamics saves time and effort for the finance team.





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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

- Credit management
- Treasury
- Accounts receivable
- Accounts payable
- Budgeting
- Cost management
- Fixed assets
- Payroll tax
- External compliance certification

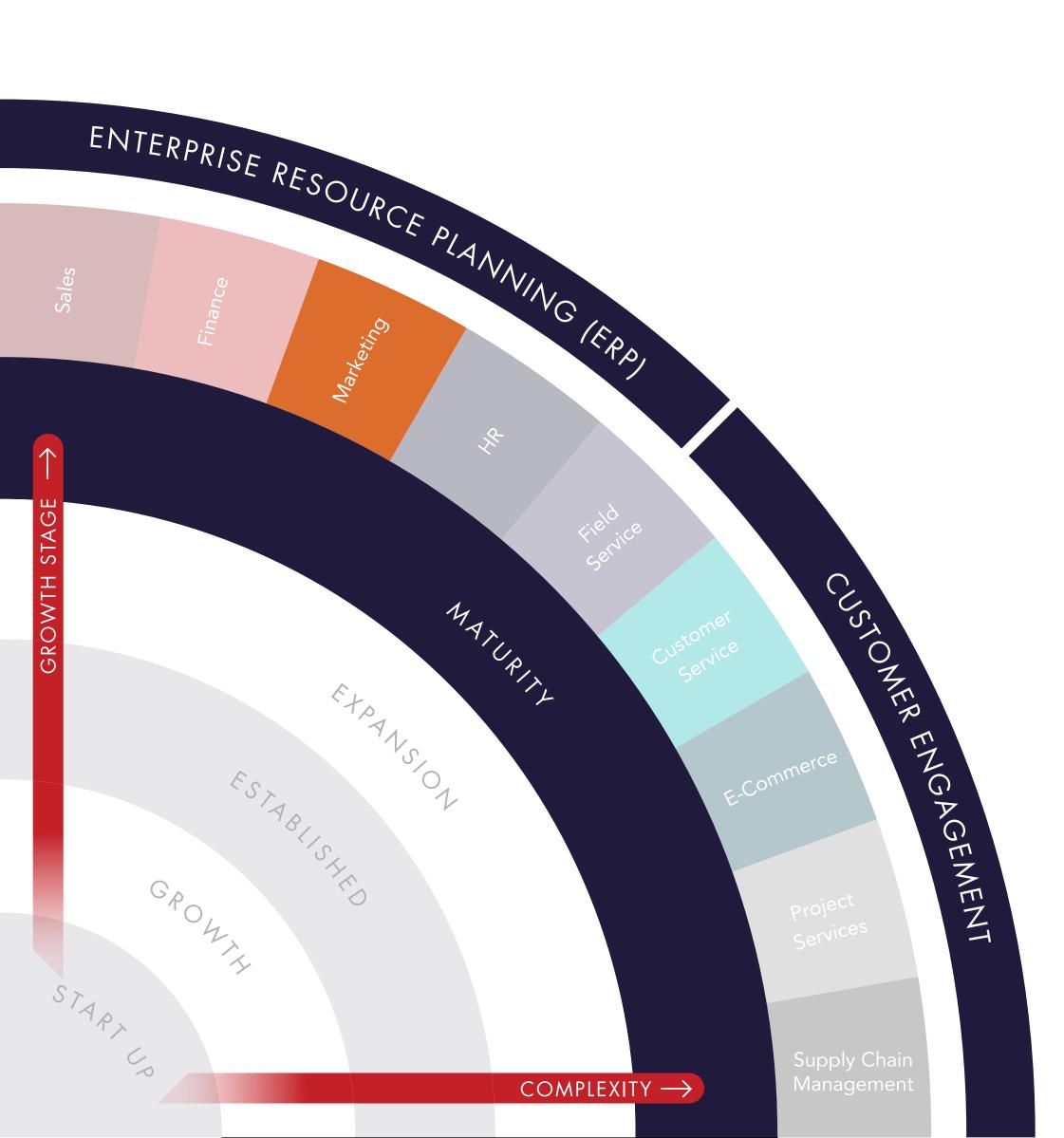
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Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / Marketing / Capabilities



MARKETING: MATURITY

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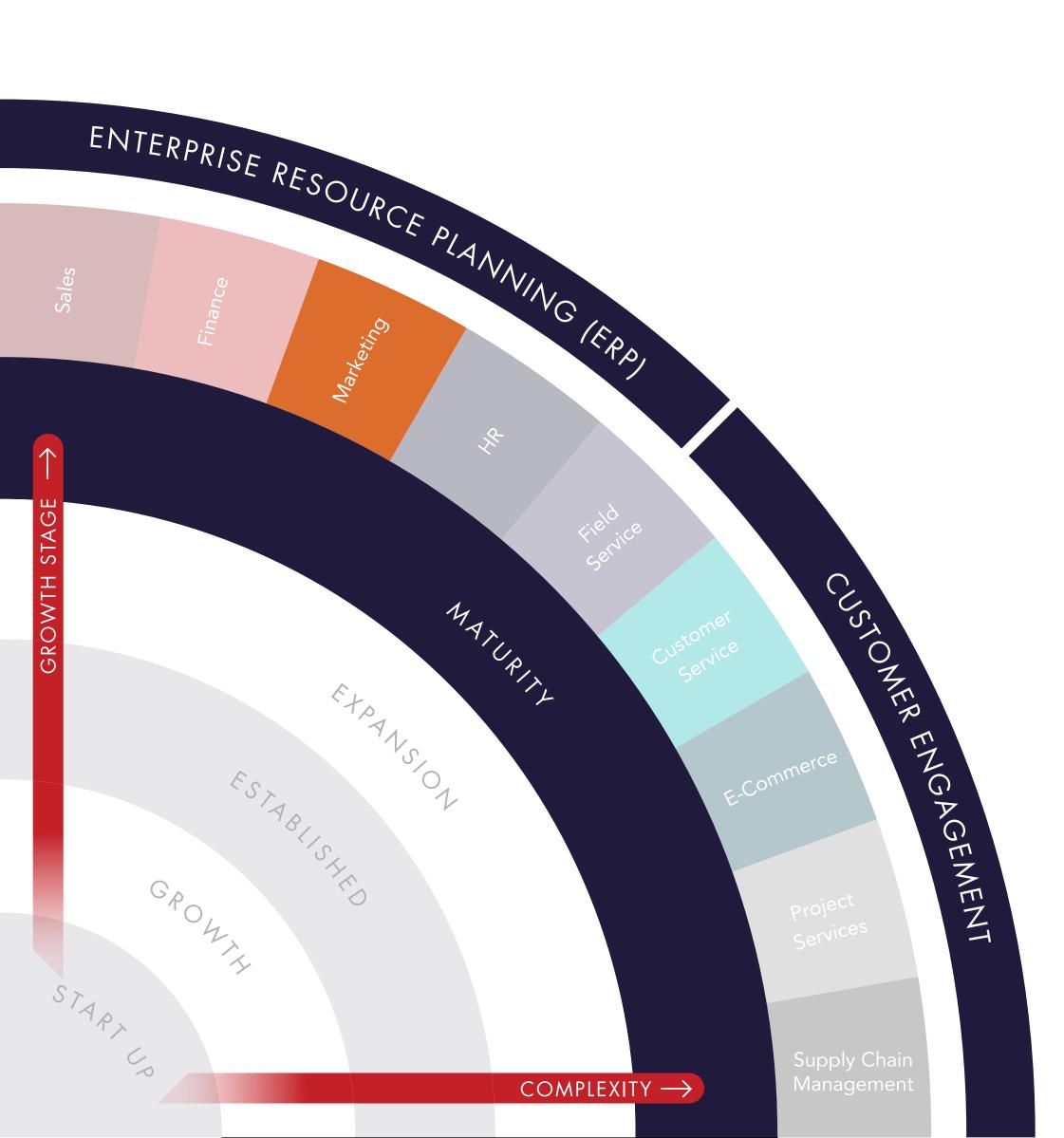
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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

- Email marketing
- Lead scoring
- Market segmentation
- Customer journeys
- Event management
- Connector for LinkedIn
- Lead generation forms

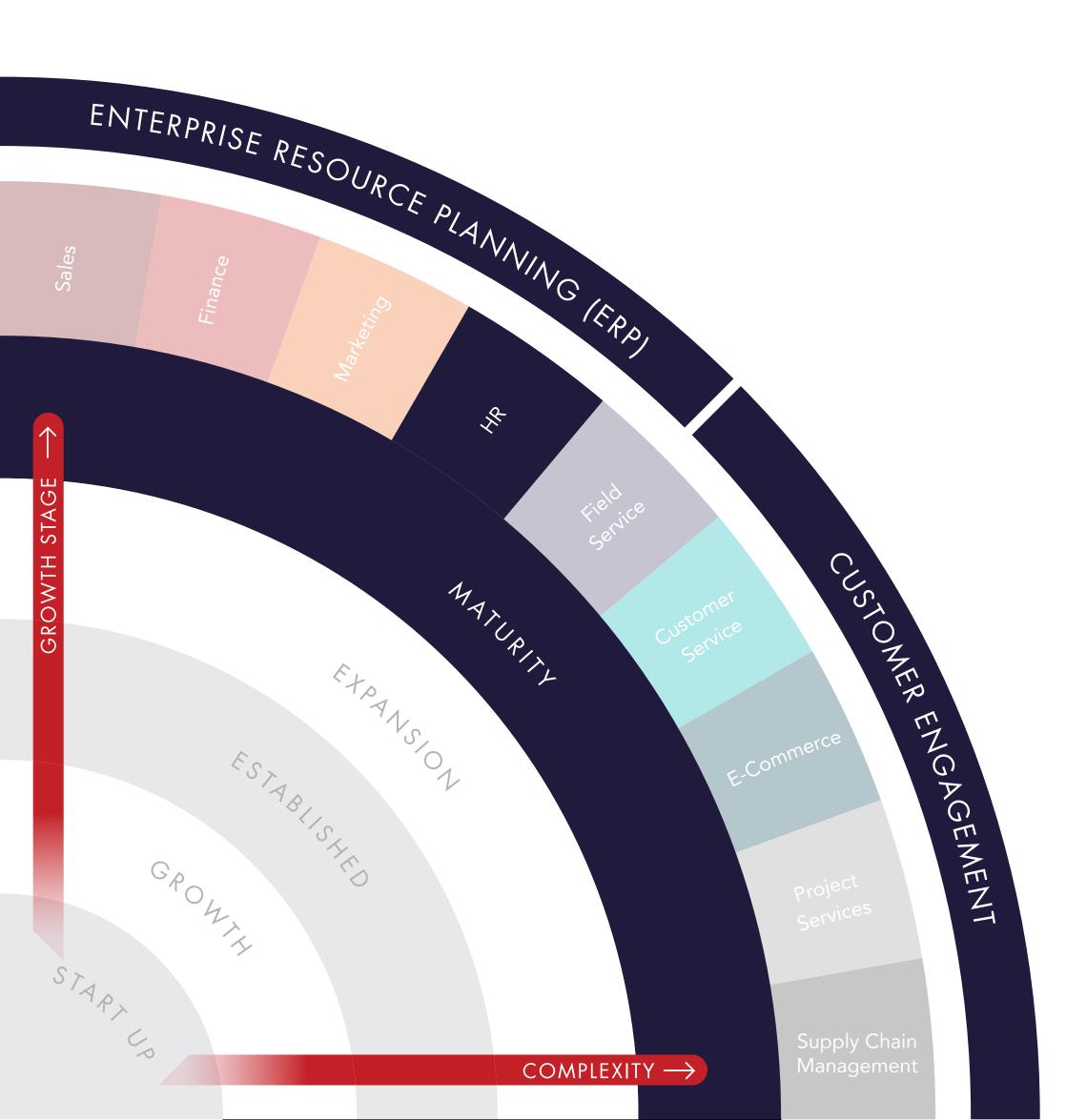
Dynamics 365 Marketing Dynamics 365 Customer Insight Power Apps







Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / HR / Challenges



HR: MATURITY

PAIN POINTS

HR

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HR

Disparate systems are difficult to integrate, particularly during M&A



HR

The challenge of exploiting new technologies such as Al and IoT

CHALLENGES

As a business grows, its HR processes and systems become increasingly complex. HR managers need to report on employees' wellbeing, learning and development, absences, annual leave, and much more.

That's on top of trying to make recruitment and onboarding more efficient, centralising core HR processes, and giving managers the tools and training they need to manage their team members.

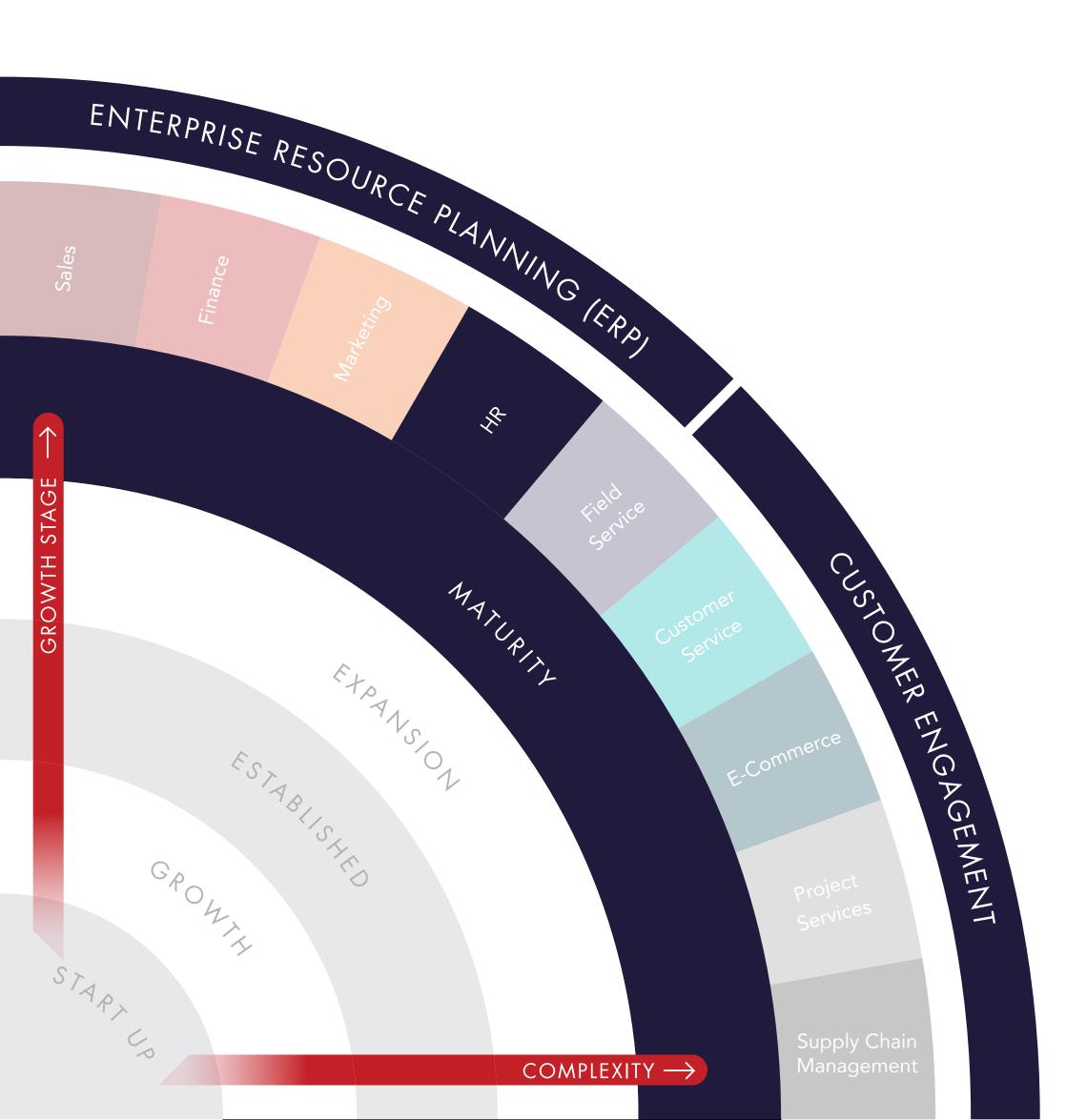
BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

Dynamics helps deliver an HR solution that takes better care of your people, so they in turn can take better care of your business. It enables HR self-service for employees, provides a platform for training and certification, ensures security, privacy and compliance, and empowers managers to address concerns effectively.

At the same time, Dynamics can support HR teams to simplify reporting with rich dashboards, helping leaders make informed decisions. By identifying and engaging the right candidates, businesses can feel confident that they're bringing in the right people to support future growth.



Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / HR / Capabilities



HR: MATURITY

PAIN POINTS

HR Inefficiencies and unnecessarily high operational costs across the business



HR

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HR The challenge of exploiting new technologies such as Al and IoT

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

- People management
- Compensation management
- Compliance
- Leave and absence
- Benefits
- Learning and development
- Employee development
- Employee self-service
- Hiring and offer management

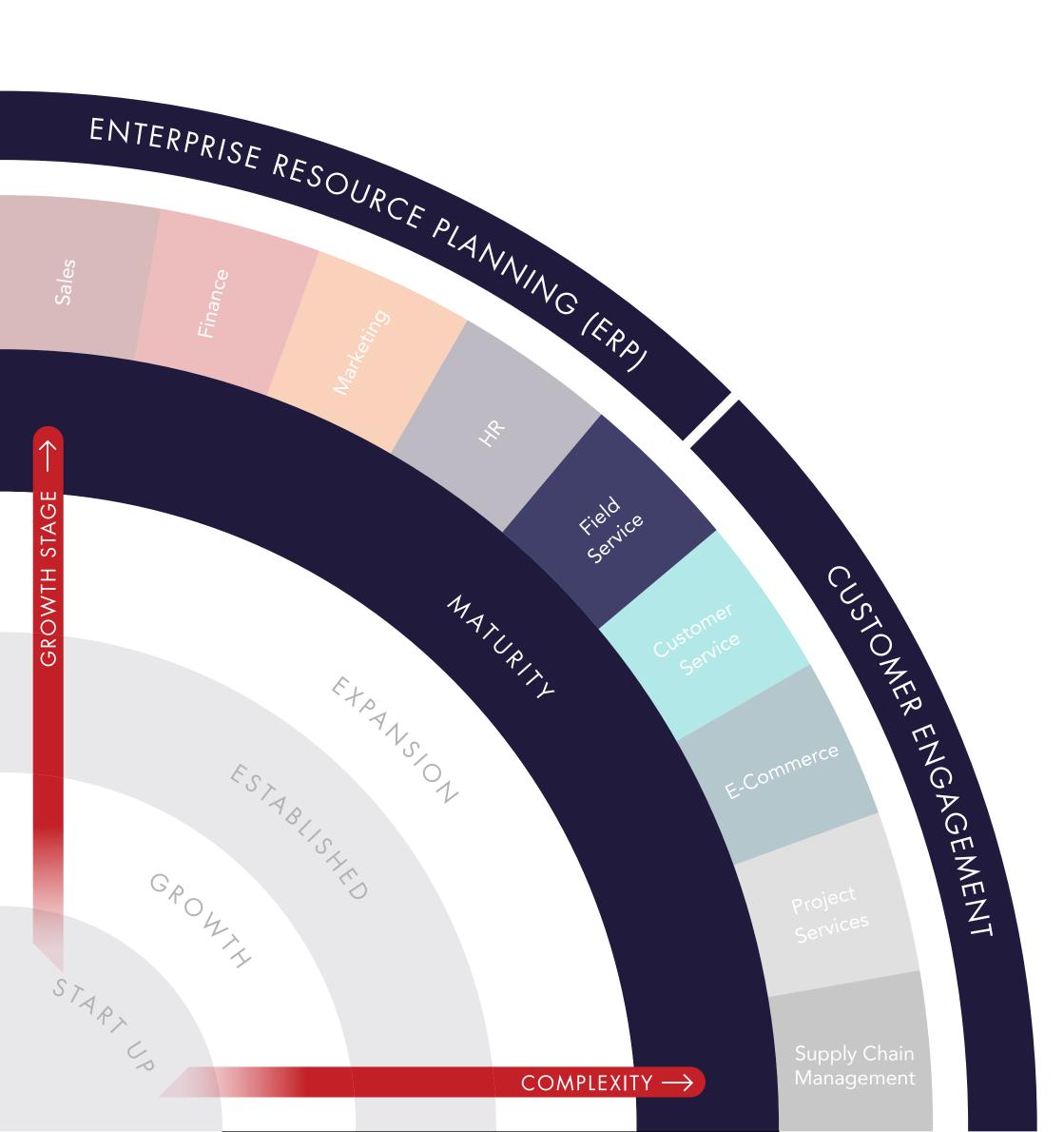
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Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / Field Service / Challenges



FIELD SERVICE: MATURITY

PAIN POINTS

Field Service Inefficiencies and unnecessarily high operational costs across the business



Field Service Disparate systems are difficult to integrate, particularly during M&A Field Service

The challenge of exploiting new technologies such as AI and IoT

CHALLENGES

When you're out solving customer issues in the field, you need the information and the flexibility to come up with solutions on the fly. Many teams don't have access to the right tools to support technicians, or effective customer insight collection systems, and that makes it very difficult to prioritise faults or offer a triage service. Agents are forced to be reactive, rather than proactively finding fixes in advance.

Without accurate, real-time data, co-ordinators can also struggle to schedule field agents with the right skillsets at the right times, and customers don't always receive appropriate levels of communication throughout the process. All of this can have a negative impact on customer experiences.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

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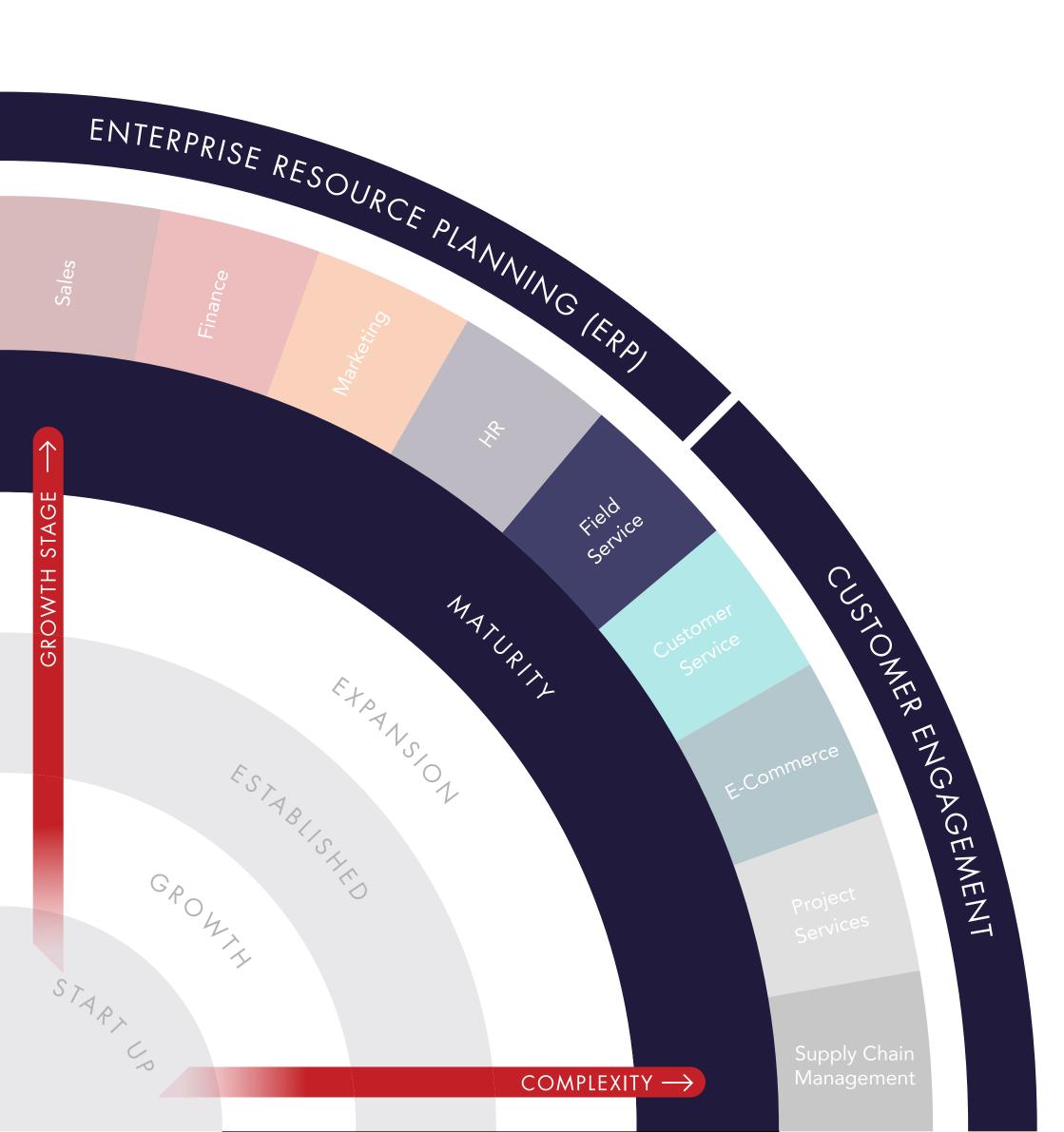
With effective information management through Dynamics, field service teams can get the right person to the right place at the right time with the right skills and equipment. That's thanks to effective scheduling processes and powerful analytics, making it easier to predict, detect and resolve issues in advance.

Rather than finger-in-the-air prioritisation, it's much easier for technicians and coordinators to prioritise and be proactive, so that customer issues are fixed first time. Which all leads to happier customers and more efficient operations.





Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / Field Service / Capabilities



FIELD SERVICE: MATURITY

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Field Service The challenge of exploiting new technologies such as

AI and IoT

DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

across the business

- Work orders
- Service agreements
- Schedule and dispatch
- Schedule board
- Inventory management
- Mobile productivity
- Connected devices

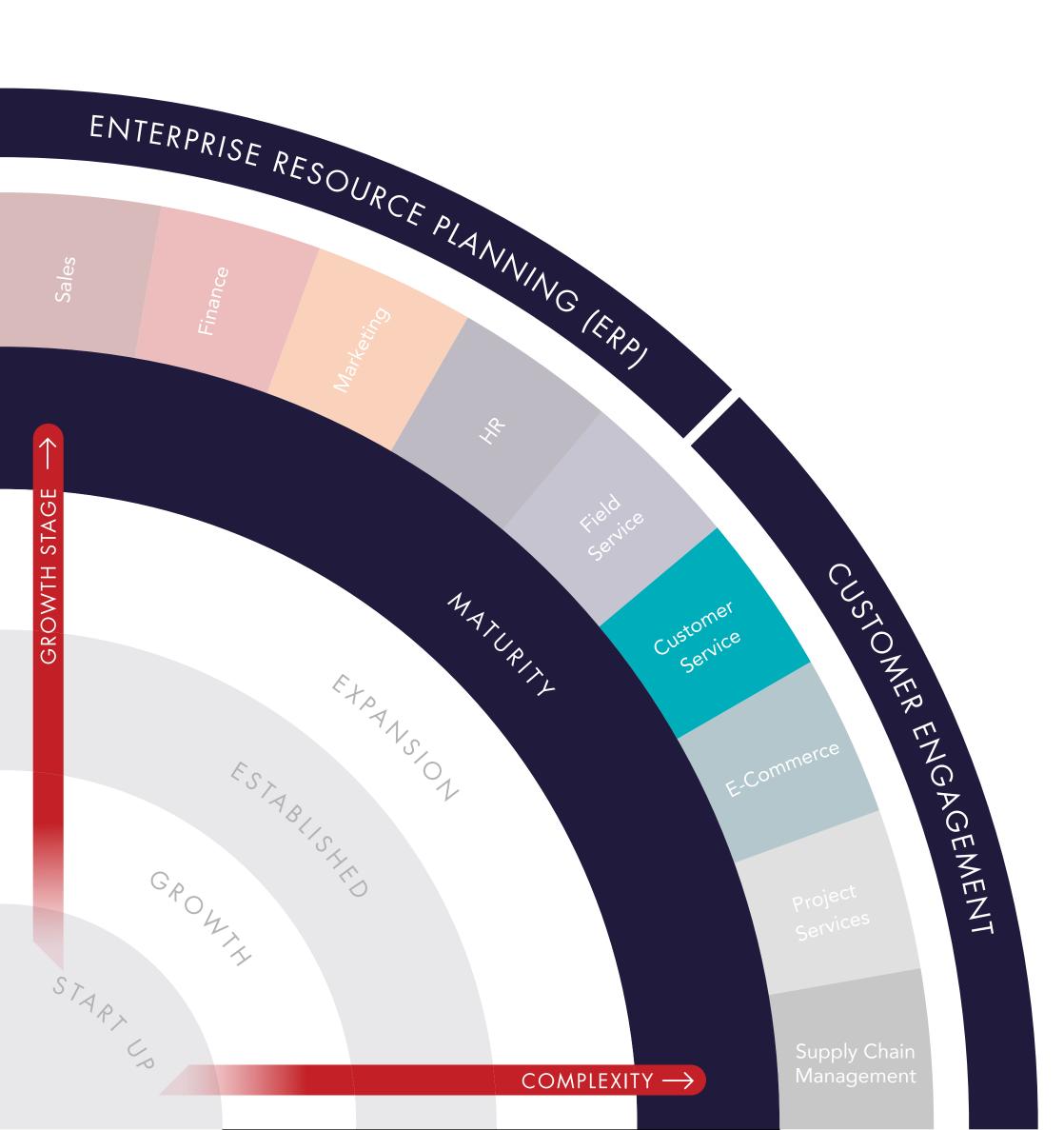
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Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / Customer Service / Challenges



CUSTOMER SERVICE: MATURITY

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Customer Service Disparate systems are difficult to integrate, particularly during M&A



Customer Service The challenge of exploiting new technologies such as AI and IoT

CHALLENGES

To meet high customer expectations, businesses are now under pressure to deliver omnichannel customer service. But for many, it's impossible to track when a customer has previously interacted with the company, even if they spoke to a different agent just minutes before.

Customer sales advisors may not have access to real-time, accurate information, or have collaboration tools in place to get quick answers from other departments.

And when customer calls surge, they sometimes lack the call handling insight to resource their teams properly, or have no way to route customers through an interactive voice response (IVR).

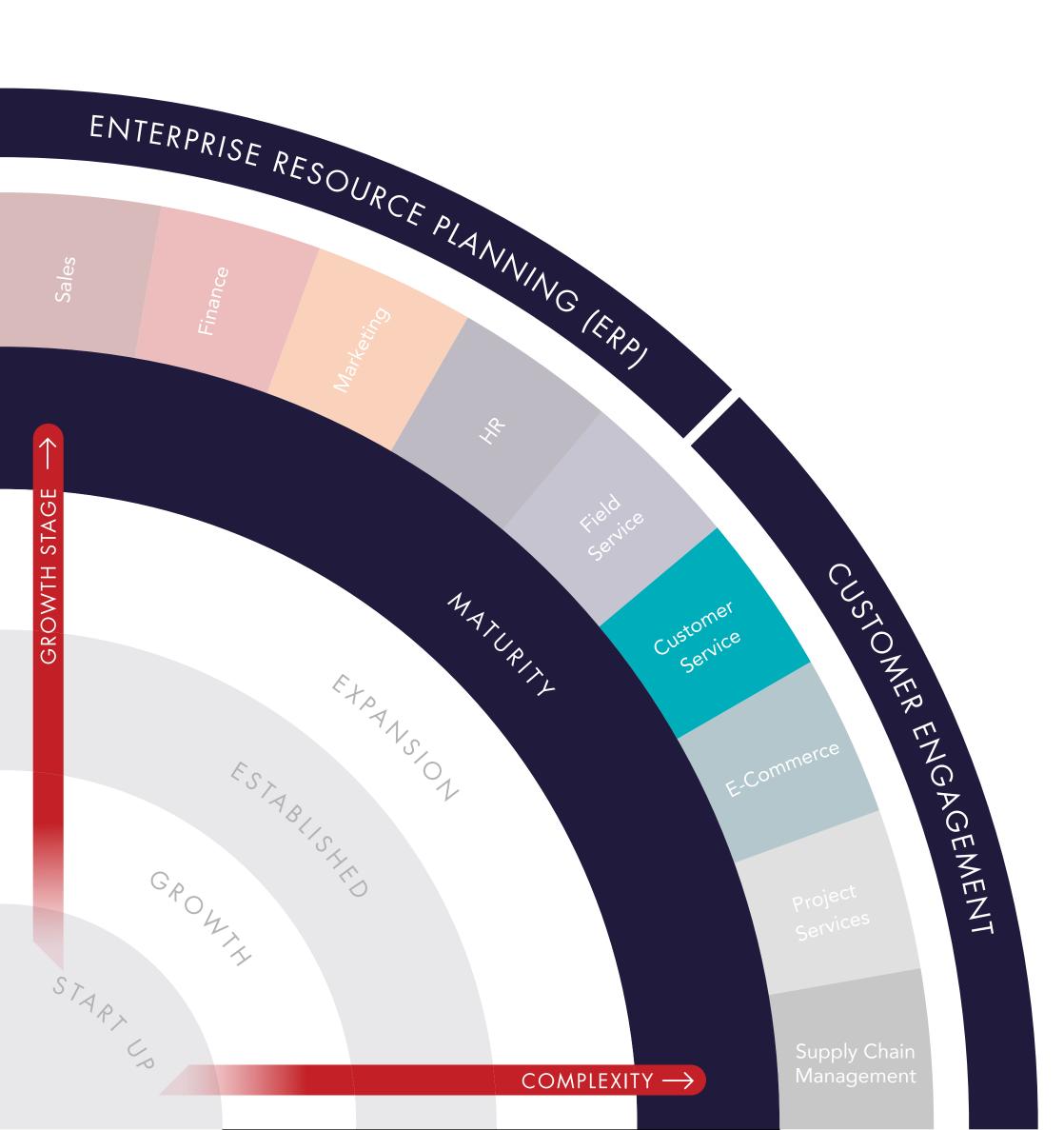
BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

The CRM capabilities within Dynamics, underpinned by AI, are an ideal platform to help customer service teams deliver seamless, personalised experiences. Dynamics brings all customer touchpoints into one comprehensive view, so agents are empowered to solve problems with a full picture of the situation.





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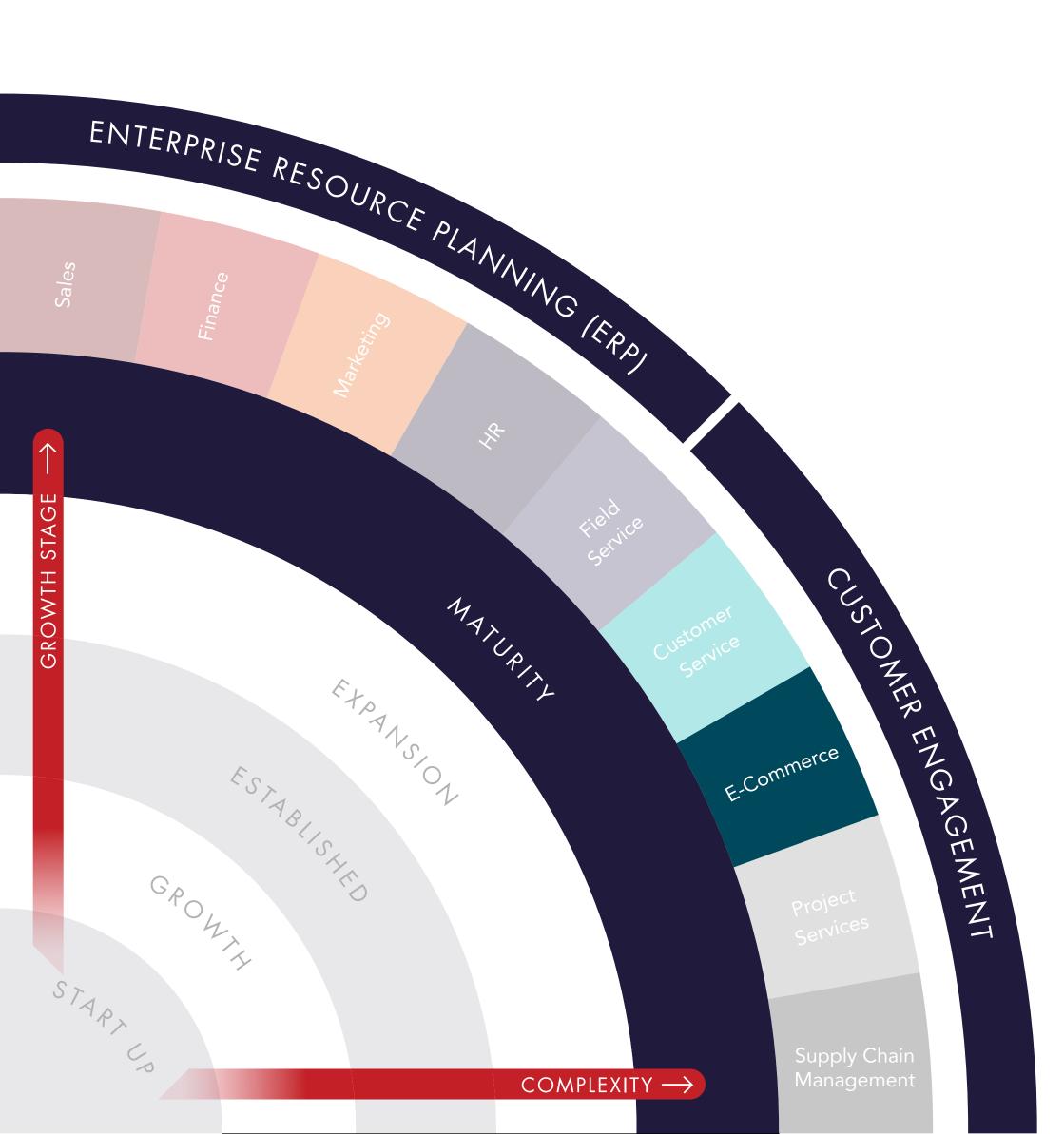
- Case management
- SLA support
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- Service automation
- Customer web portals
- Contract management
- Service analytics

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- Dynamics 365 Unified Service Desk



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Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / E-Commerce / Challenges



E-COMMERCE: MATURITY

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E-Commerce The challenge of exploiting new technologies such as Al and IoT

CHALLENGES

E-commerce is a business of fine margins – every click counts. Customers need to see the same content and promotions across different channels, for example, which is hard without a single, integrated platform. Equally, it's a challenge to fulfil orders efficiently online, and to offer flexible delivery models (particularly for smaller organisations).

Businesses also struggle with data: they need to predict customer demand and report on realtime stock levels, as well as needing accurate customer data so they can personalise offers.

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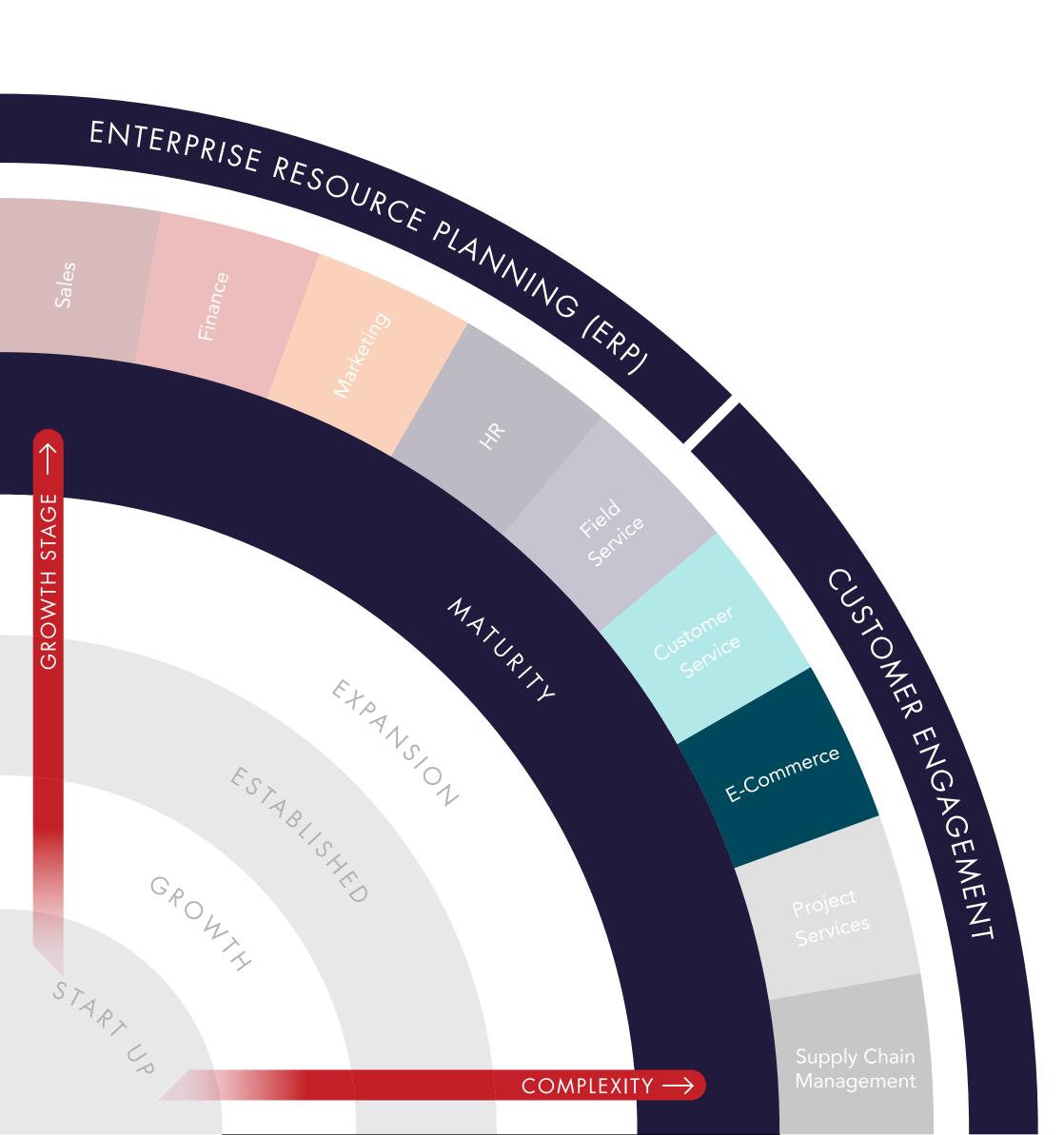
E-commerce teams can use Dynamics to create exceptional shopping experiences. The platform's built-in Al and machine learning can help to integrate and optimise back-office processes, streamlining your retail operations. It is also extremely scalable, lending itself to growing businesses or those expanding into new territories and markets.

The single view of the customer that Dynamics facilitates gives businesses the option to serve customers when, how, and where they want – on any device. E-commerce teams can view each customer on a unified platform, which brings all customer touchpoints together.





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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Pricing

Stores management

Shift management

Employee management

Customer loyalty

Replenishment

Product categories

Sales channel management

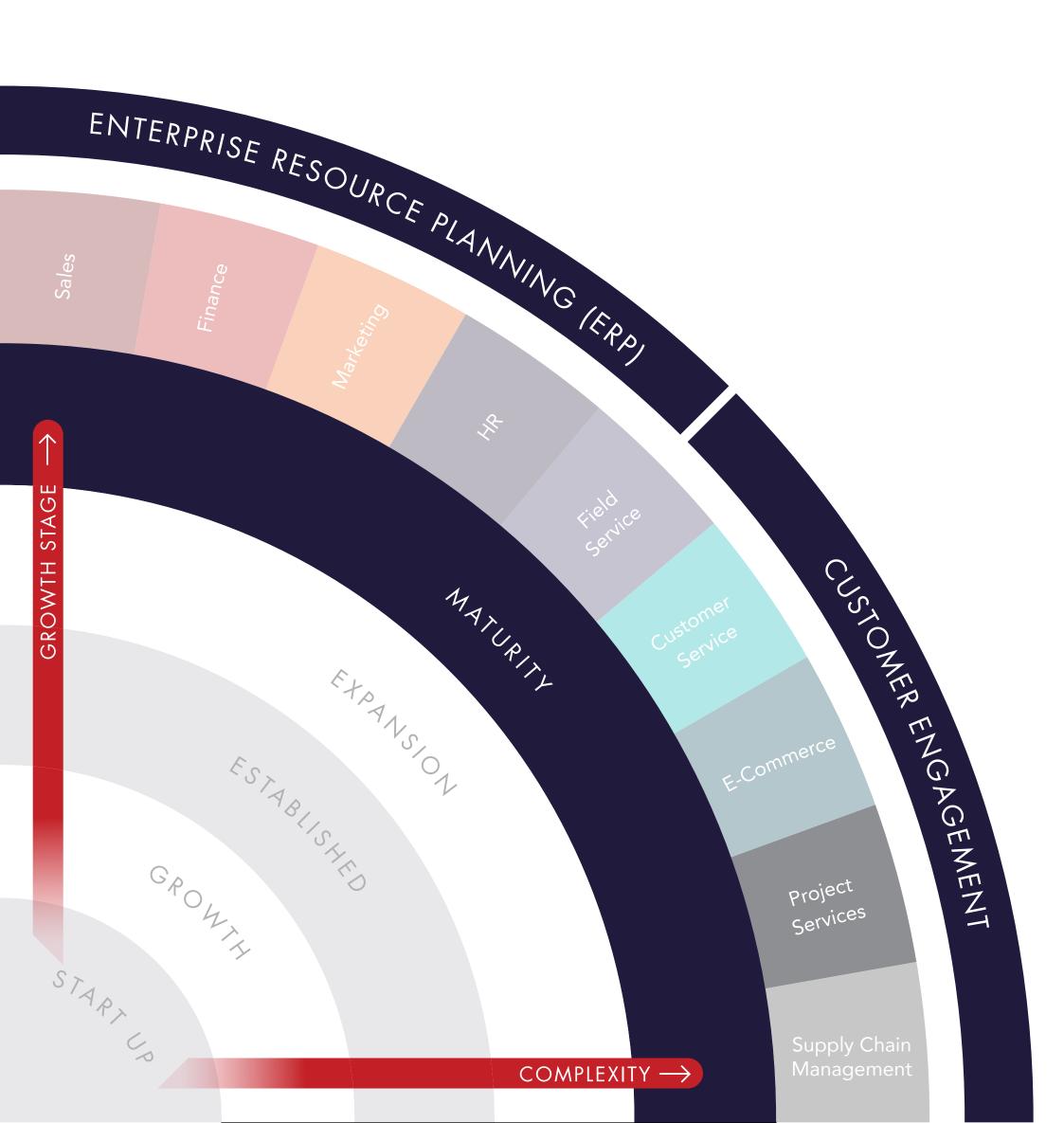
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Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / Project Services / Challenges



PROJECT SERVICES: MATURITY

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Project Services The challenge of exploiting new technologies such as AI and IoT

CHALLENGES

The bigger your organisation, the more complex your project management. But there are challenges faced by businesses of all sizes in this area – lack of effective project tools, insufficient reporting capabilities, too much time spent manually inputting data into spreadsheets.

It's difficult for project managers to schedule resources and people if they don't have the right tools, and ultimately to assess profitability without proper reporting software.

In addition to all that, project service teams also have the challenge of sharing information with customers and contractors, which can pose a security risk.

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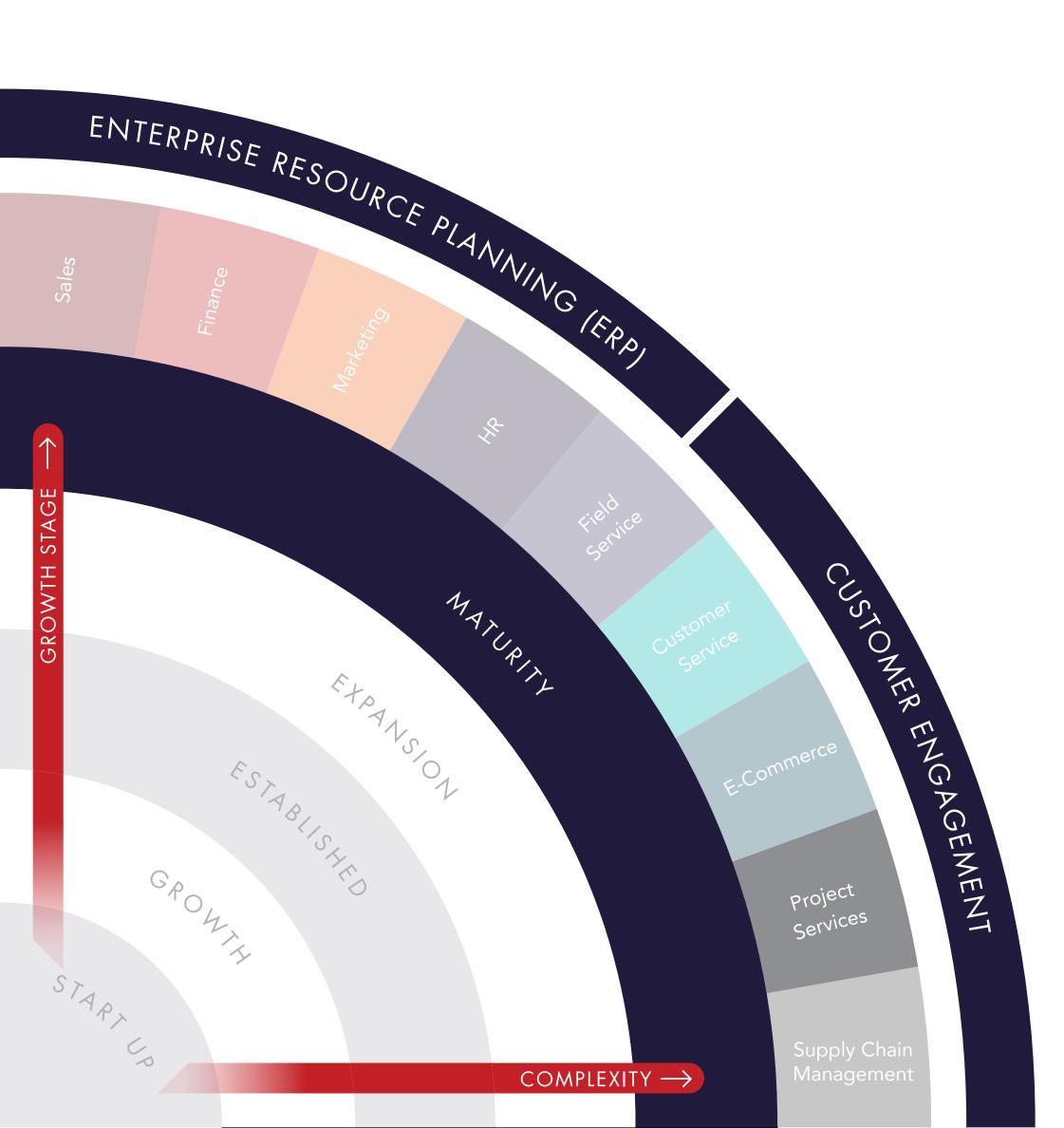
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Dynamics also provides project professionals with the collaboration tools to succeed, which in turn boosts employee productivity and keeps utilisation high. The platform makes work more customer-centric, consistent and predictable.





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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Resource management

Project contracting

Project planning

Resource scheduling

Manage work hours

Project hours

Customer billing

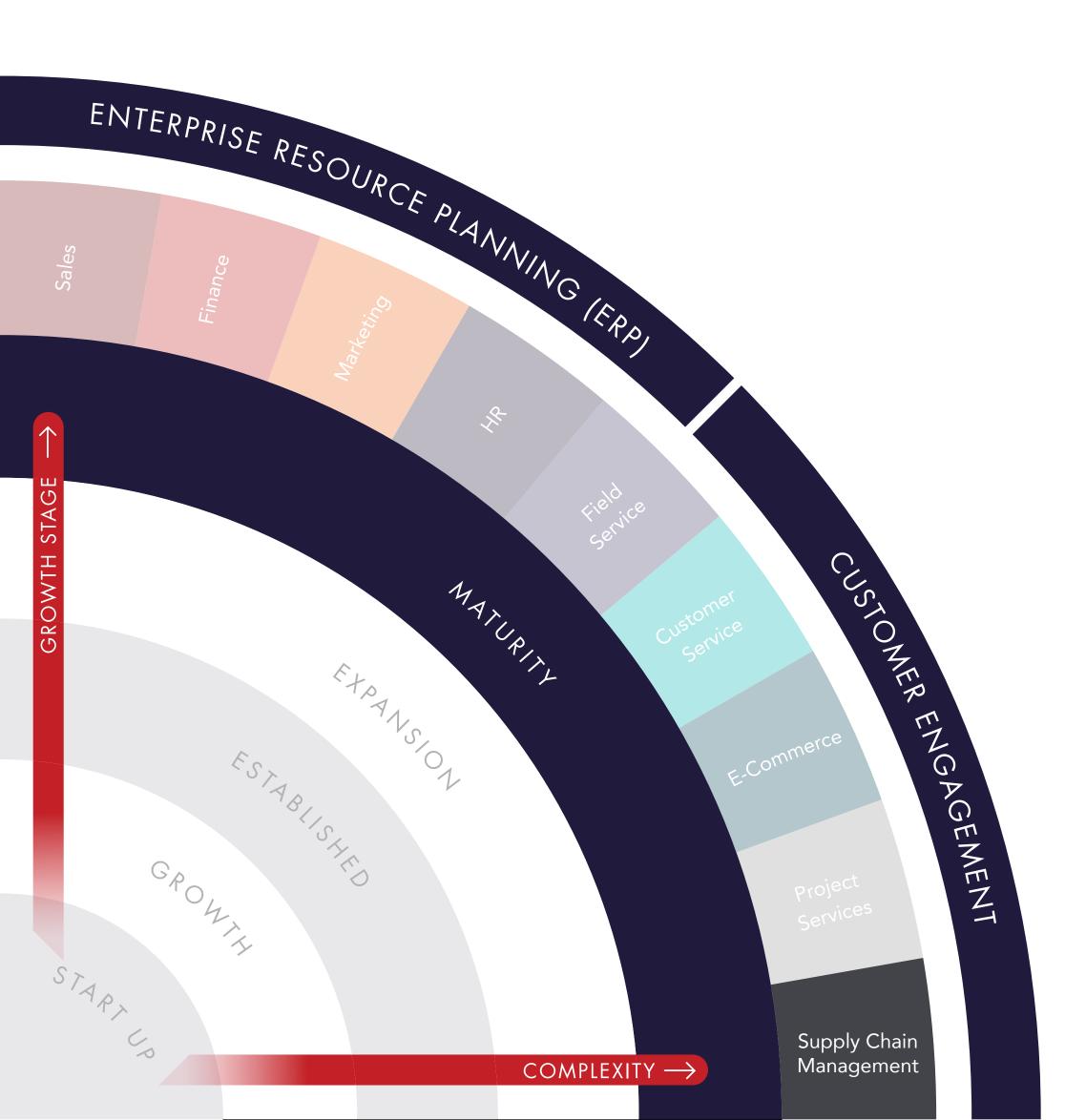
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Maturity / Pain Point 1, 2, 6 / Supply Chain Management / Challenges



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CHALLENGES

Without real-time information, it's difficult to efficiently manage logistics and supply chain operations. Maintenance ends up being reactive rather than proactive, stock levels have to be recorded manually (an error-prone process), and customers end up being given inaccurate delivery times. Without end-to-end visibility of the supply chain and warehousing operations, improvements can only be based on intuition.

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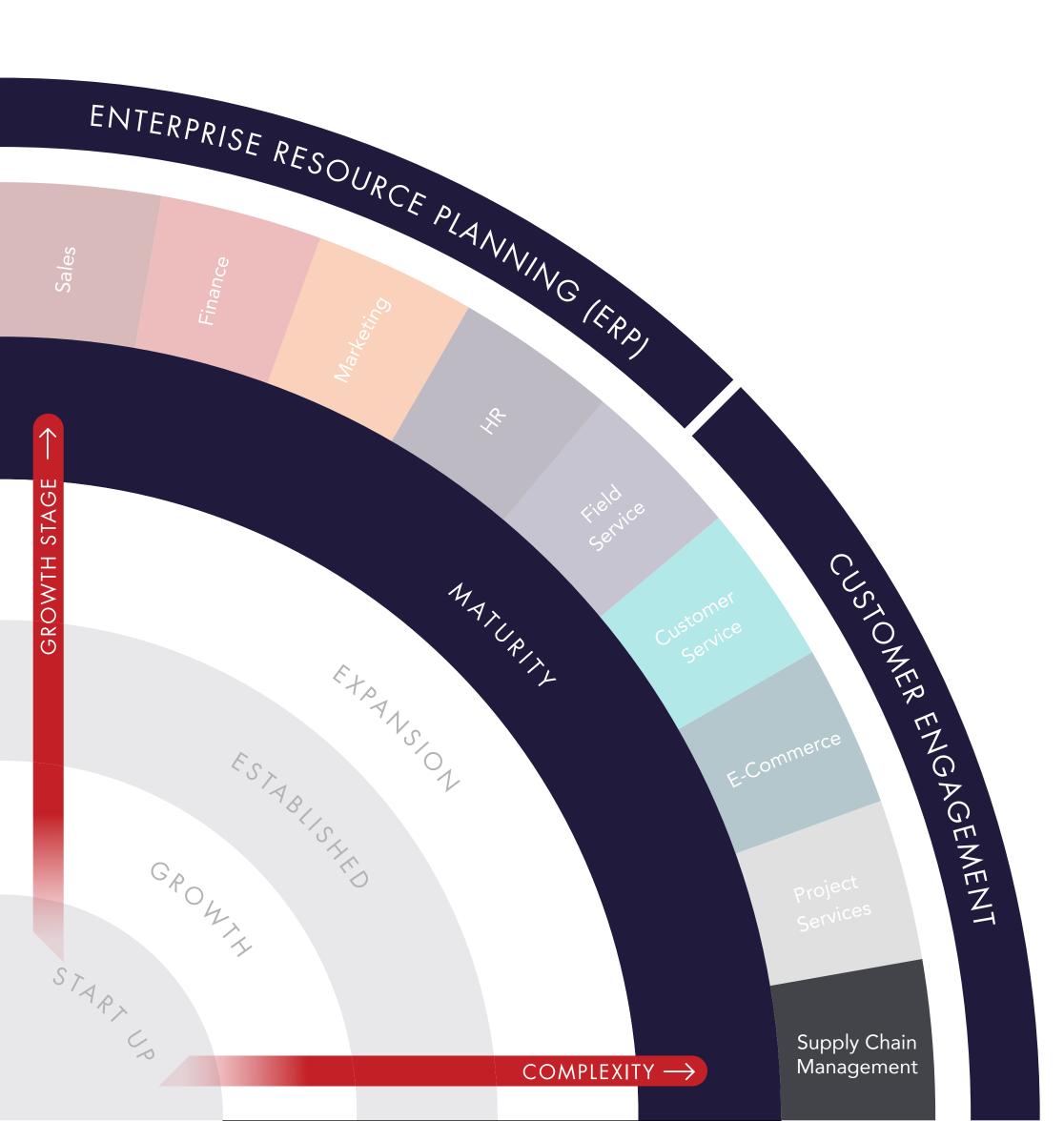
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And with powerful automation and analytics tools, the platform can also optimise planning and improve the fulfilment, material sourcing, and logistics of supply chains.



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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

- Asset management
- Inventory management
- Production central
- Procurement and sourcing
- Transportation
- Warehouse management
- Fleet management

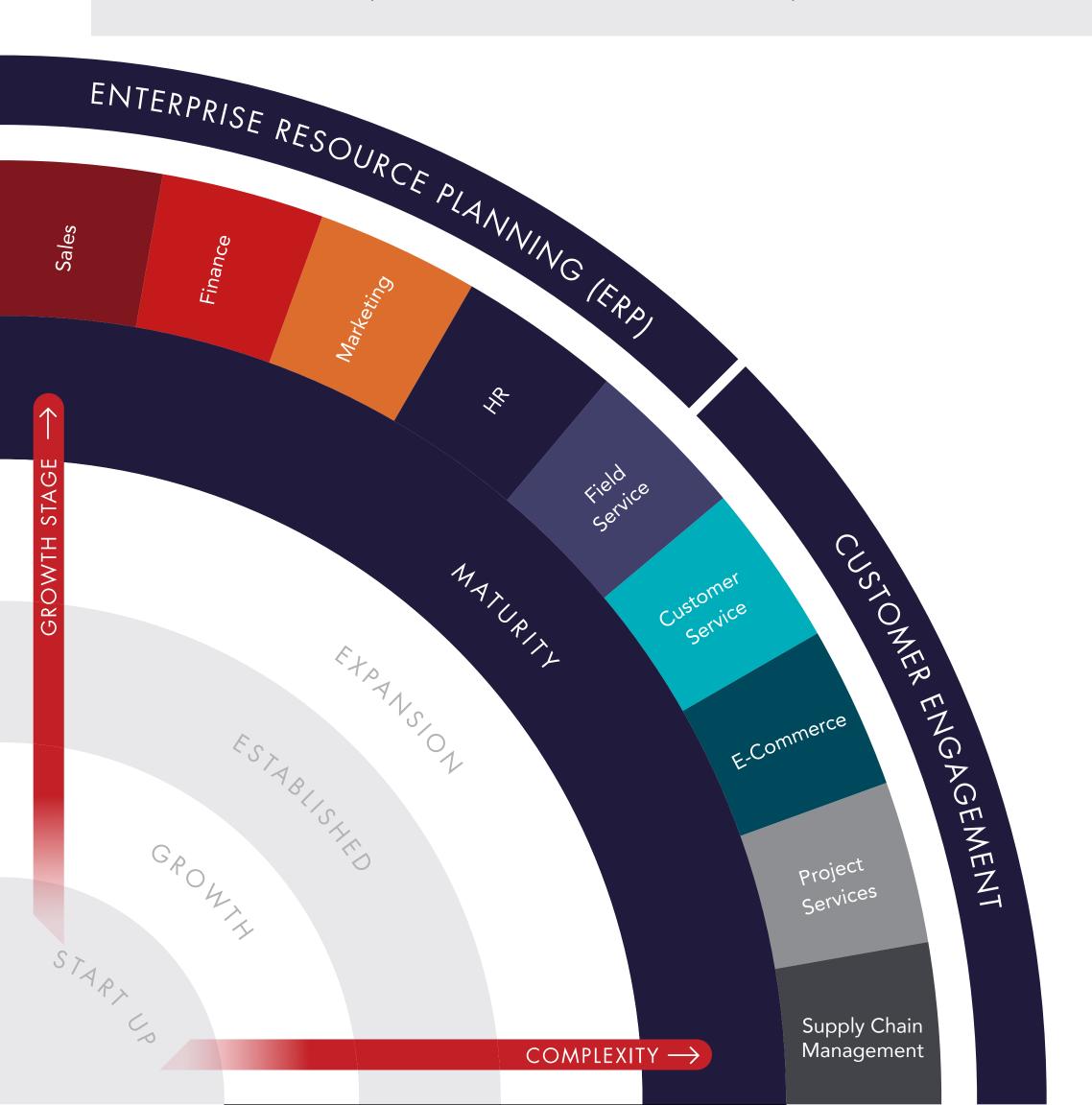
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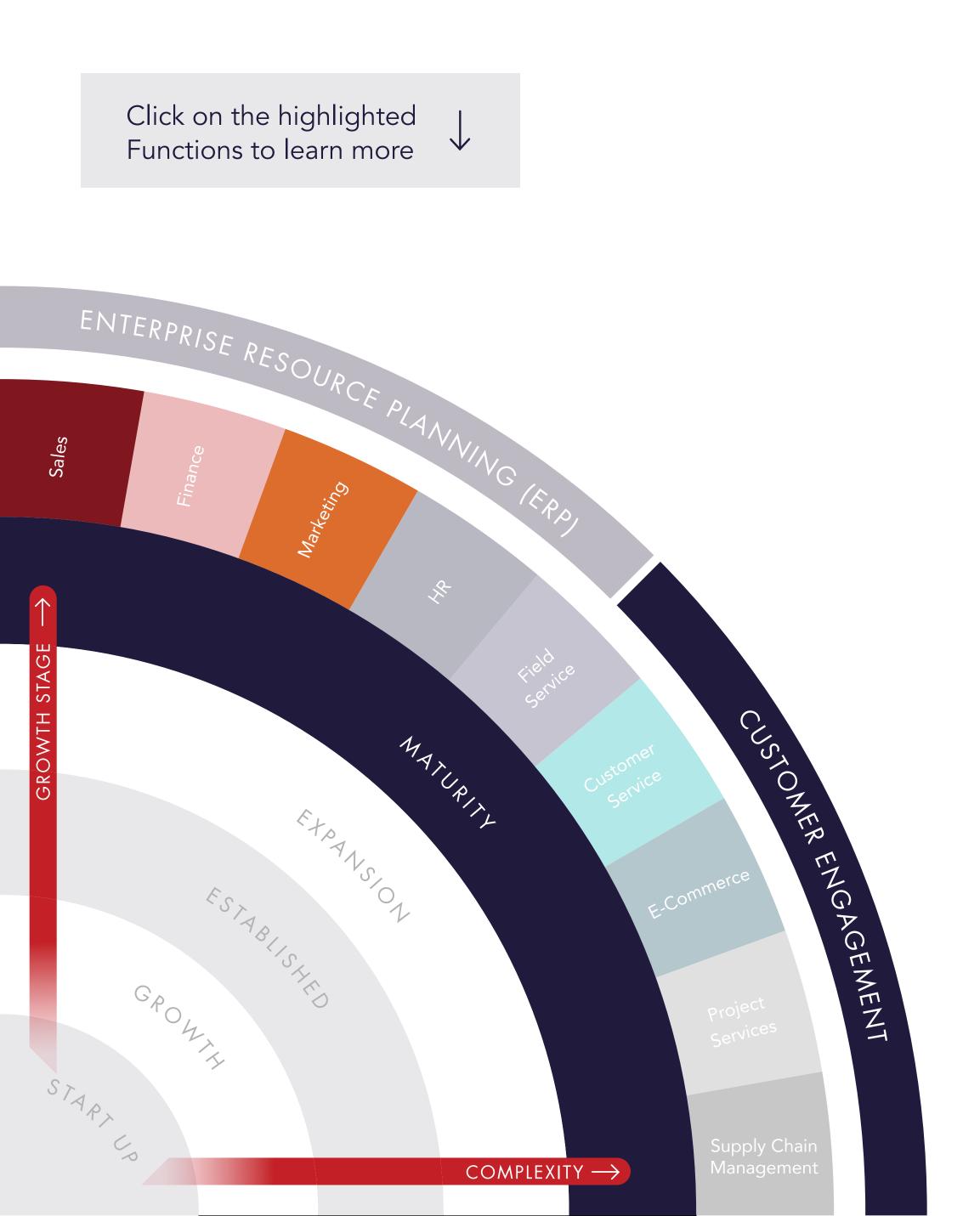
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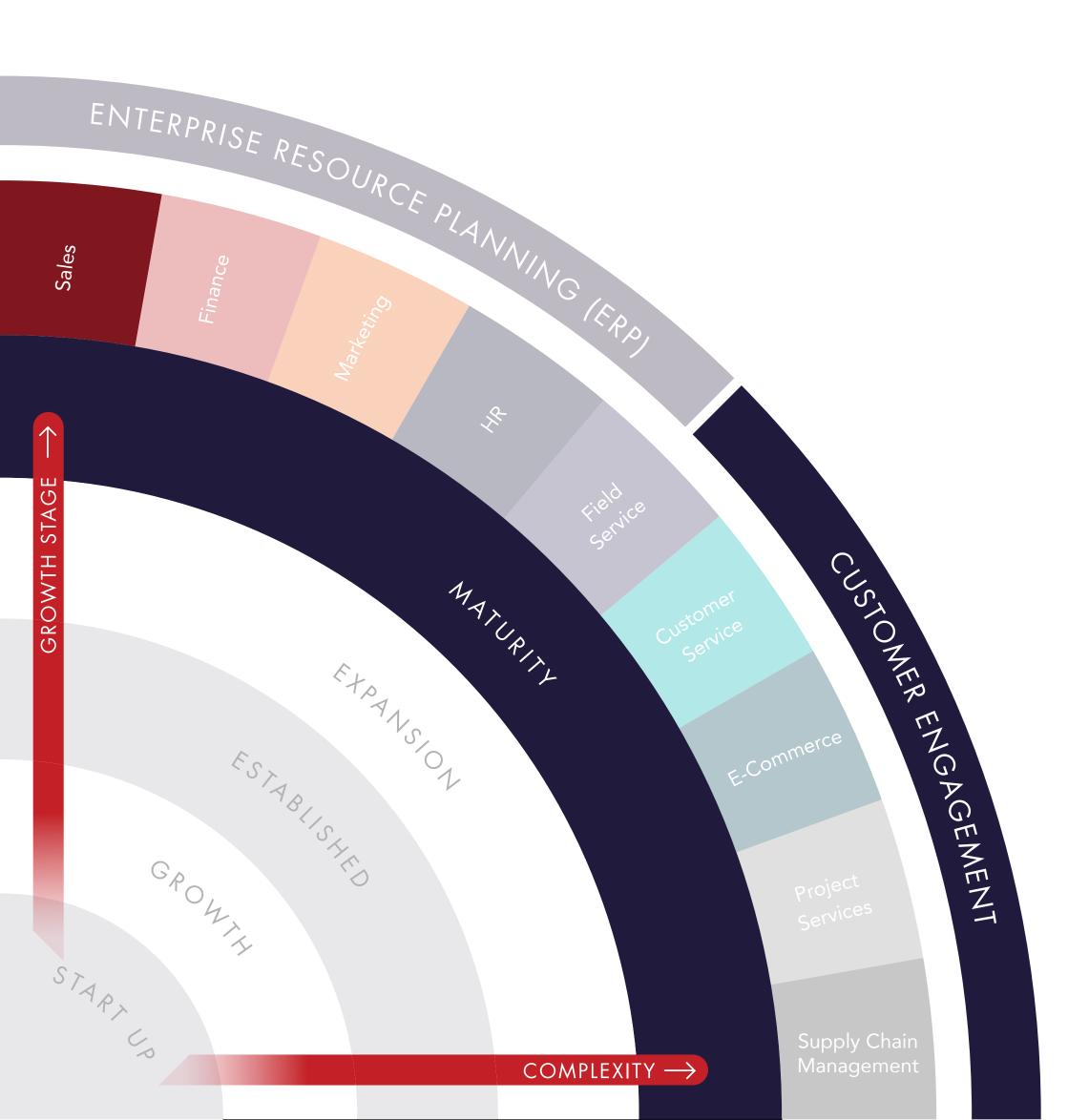
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Maturity / Pain Point 3, 5 / Sales / Challenges



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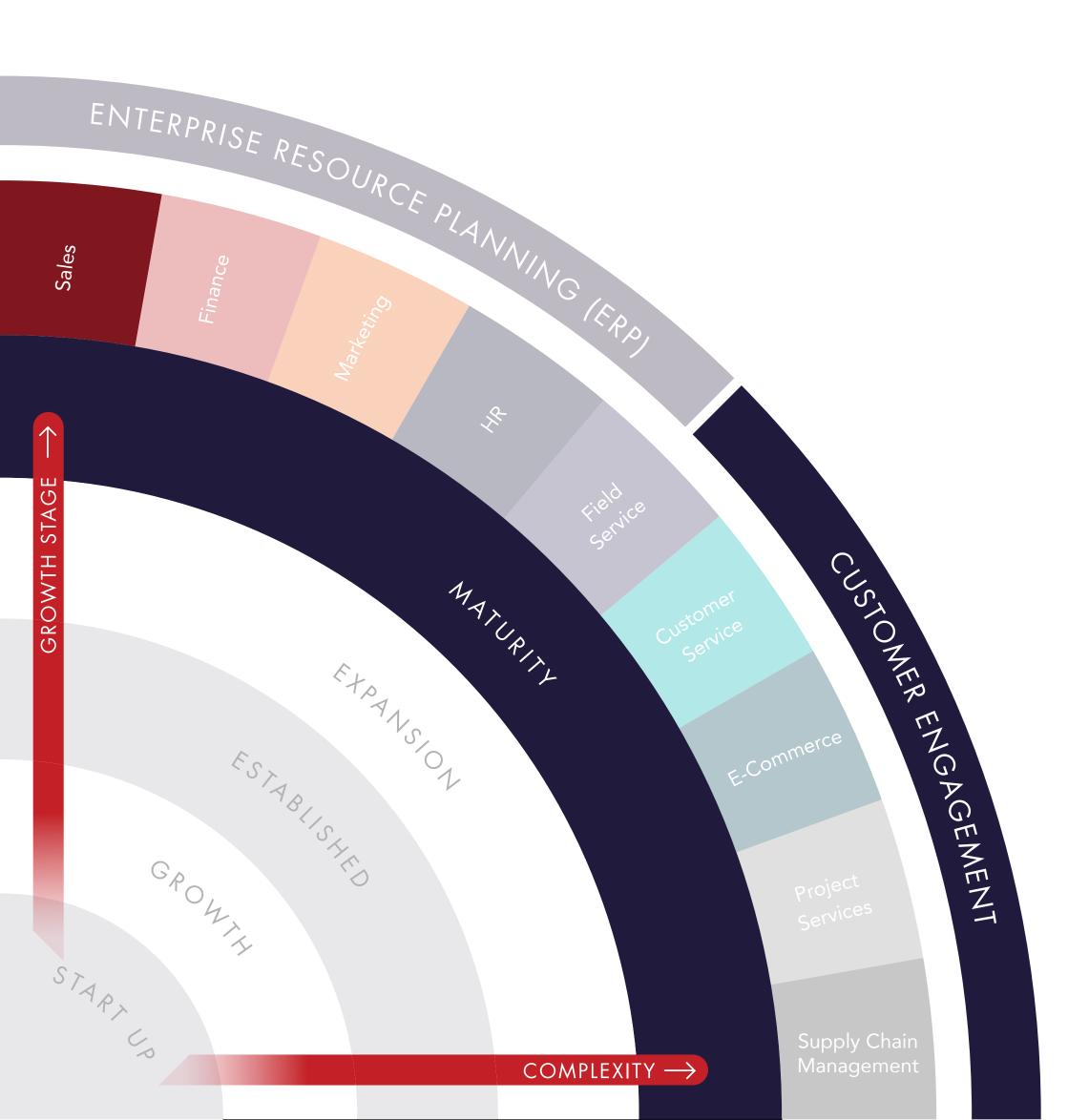
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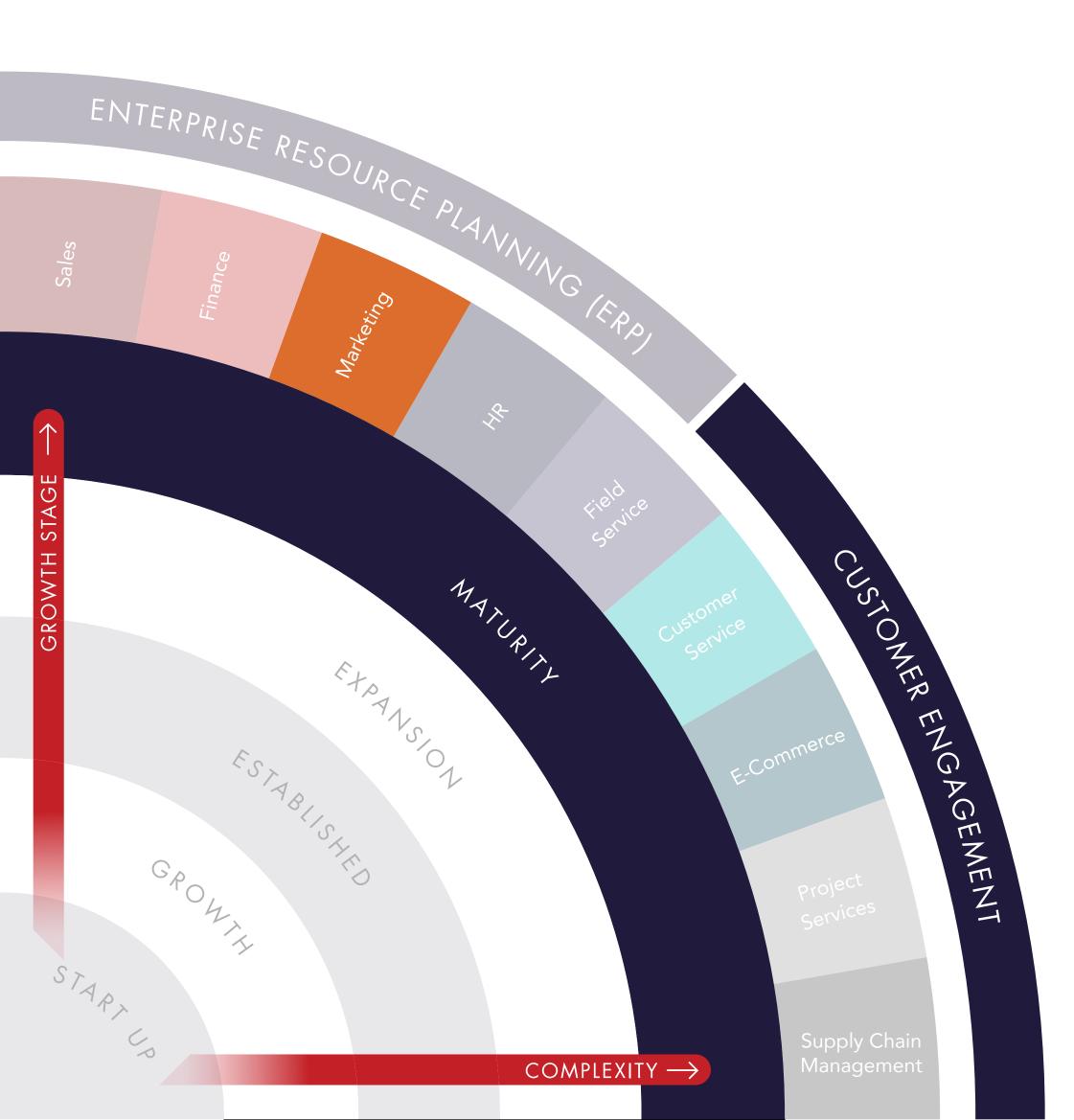
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Maturity / Pain Point 3 / Marketing / Challenges



MARKETING: MATURITY

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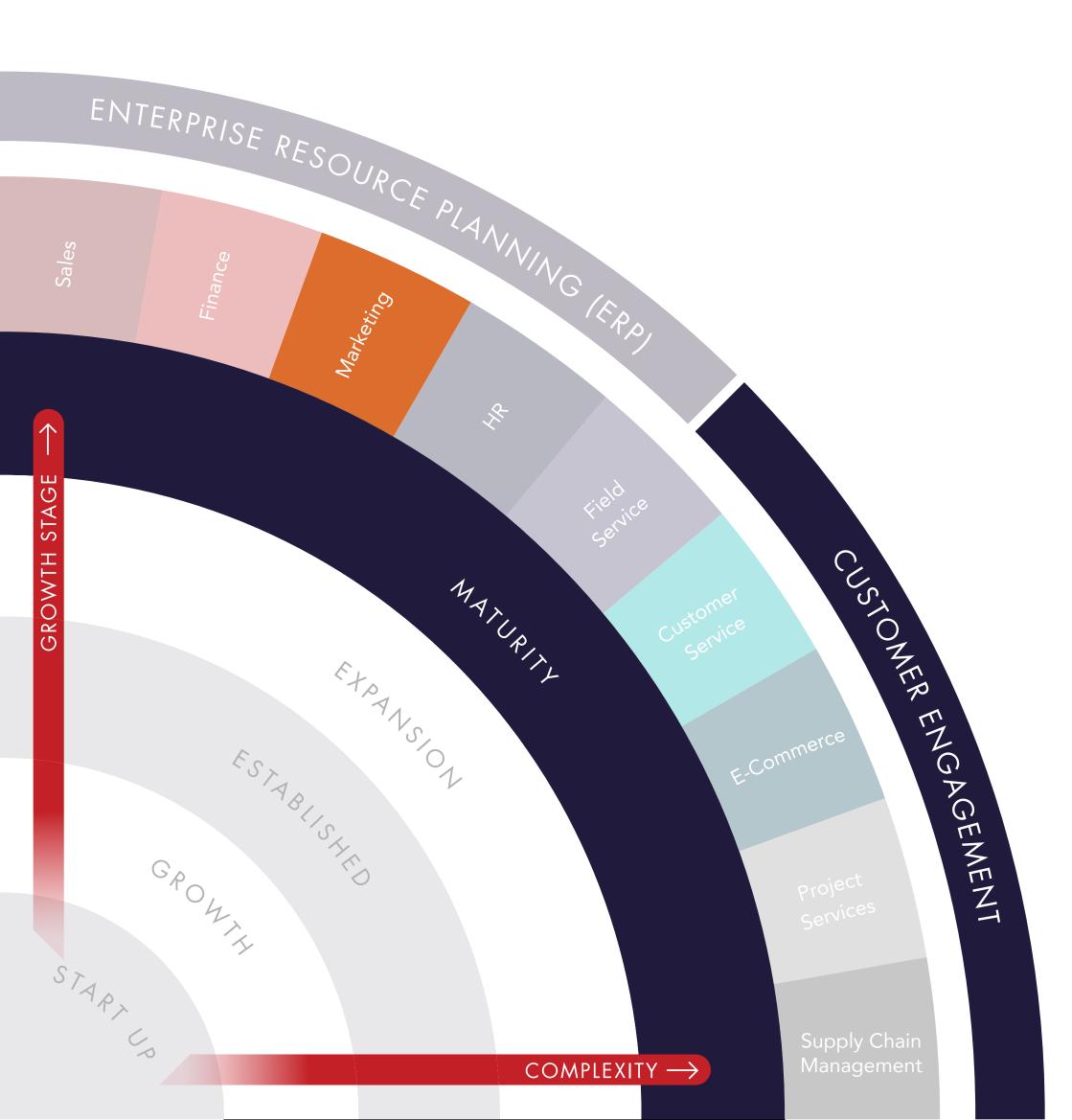
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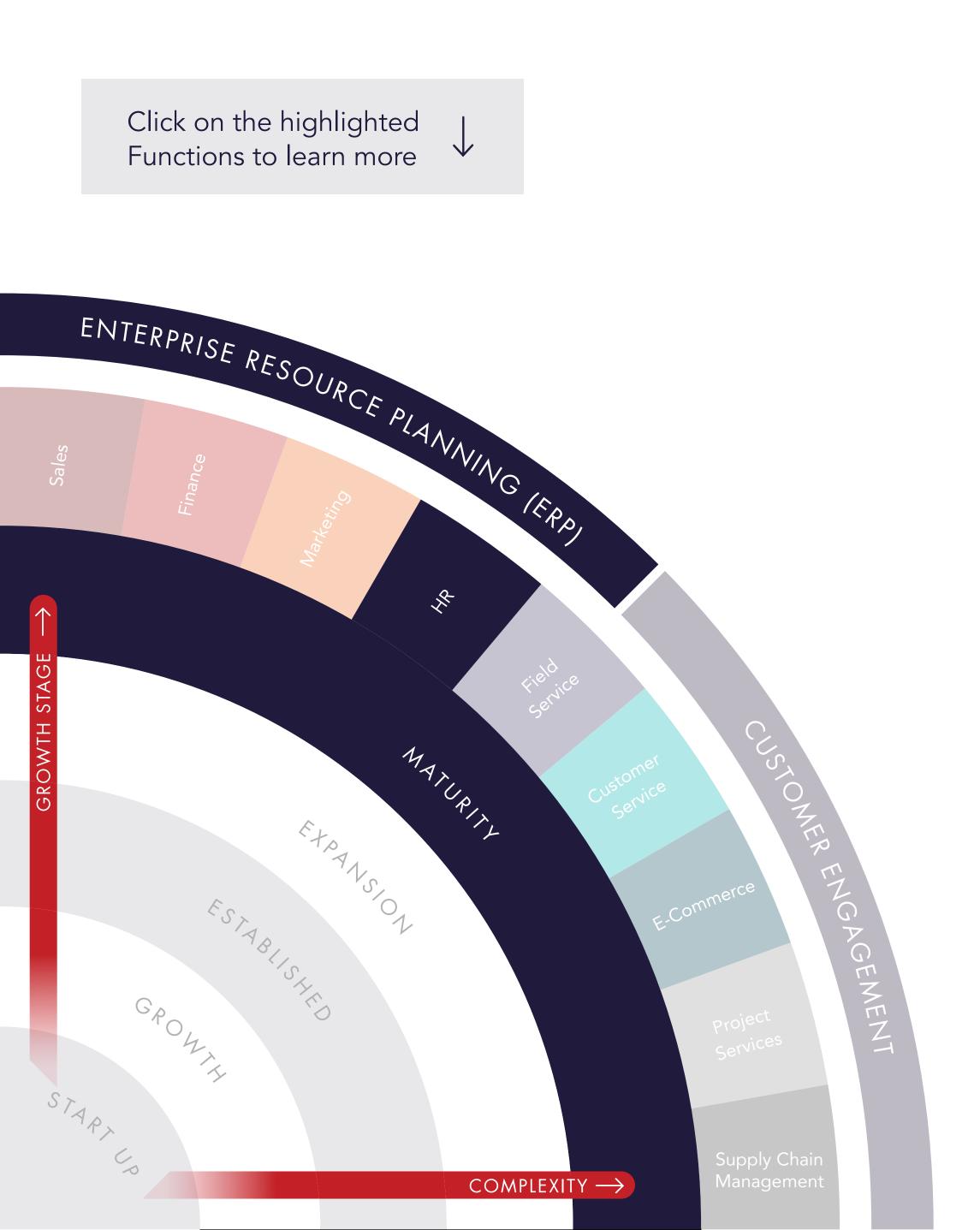
- Email marketing Lead scoring
- Market segmentation
- Customer journeys
- Event management
- Connector for LinkedIn
- Lead generation forms

Dynamics 365 Marketing Dynamics 365 Customer Insight Power Apps









MATURITY

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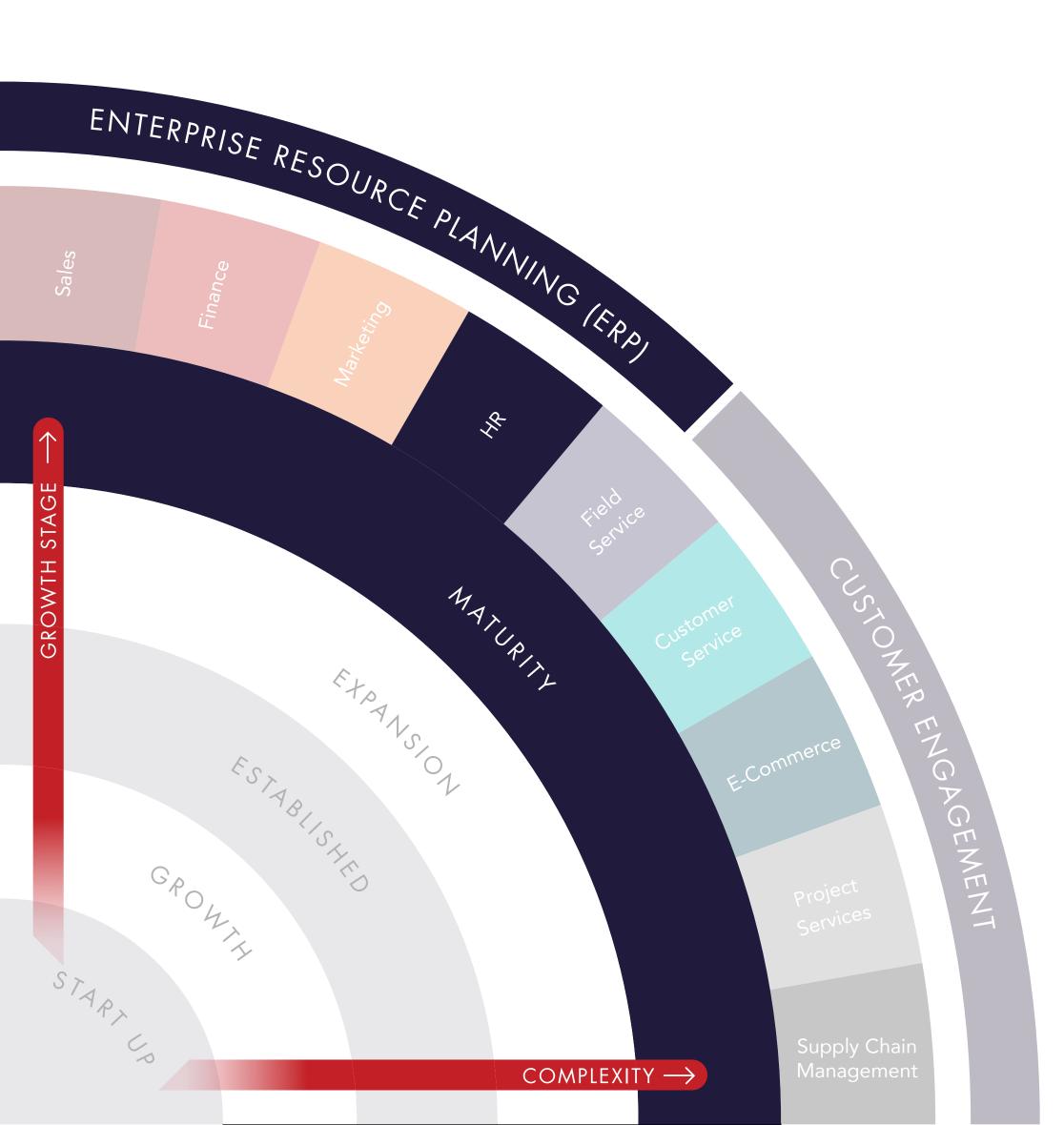
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Maturity / Pain Point 4 / HR / Challenges



HR: MATURITY

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HR

Difficulty adopting a working culture and development programme suited to a multi-generational business

CHALLENGES

As a business grows, its HR processes and systems become increasingly complex. HR managers need to report on employees' wellbeing, learning and development, absences, annual leave, and much more.

That's on top of trying to make recruitment and onboarding more efficient, centralising core HR processes, and giving managers the tools and training they need to manage their team members.

BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

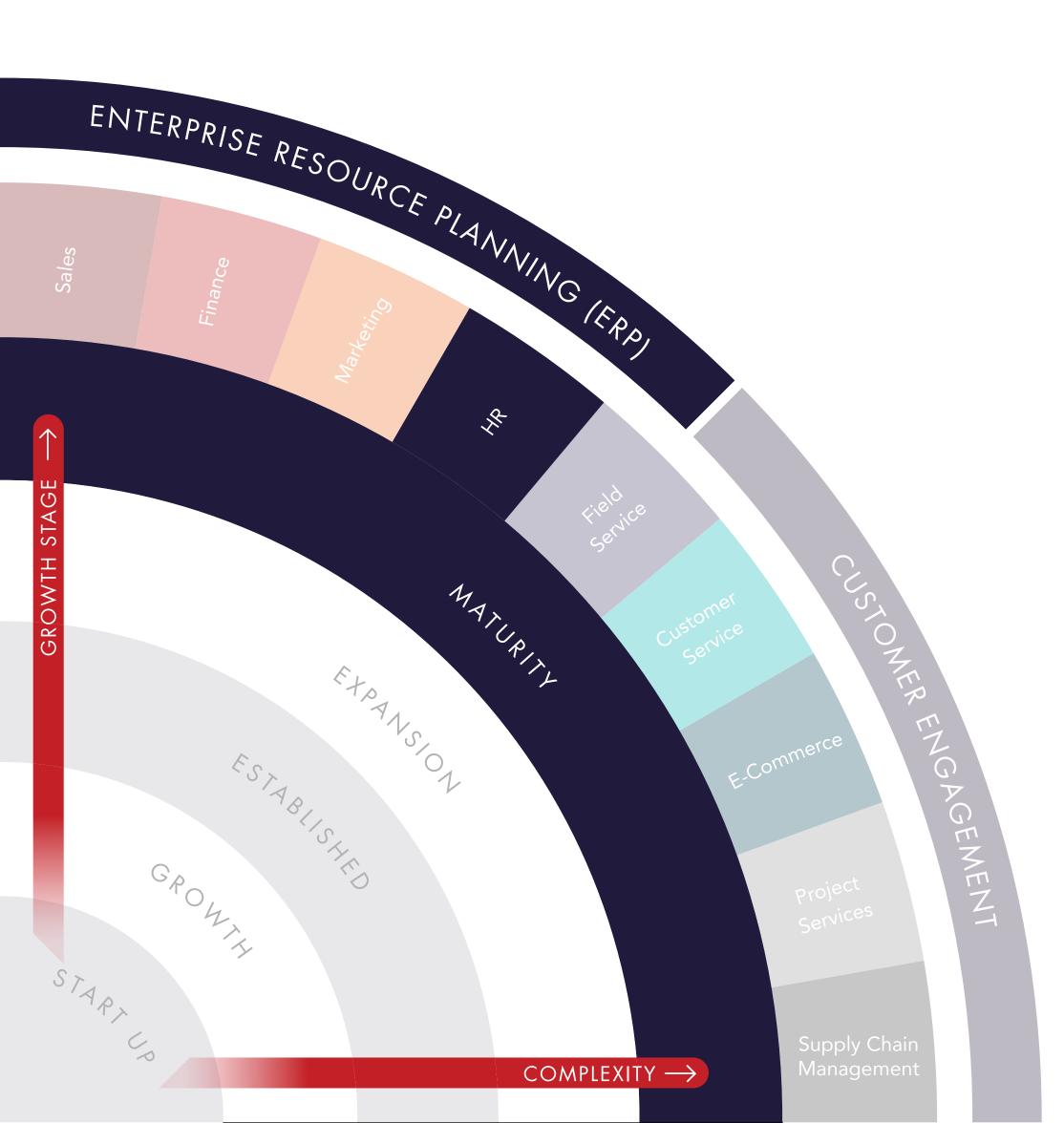
Dynamics helps deliver an HR solution that takes better care of your people, so they in turn can take better care of your business. It enables HR self-service for employees, provides a platform for training and certification, ensures security, privacy and compliance, and empowers managers to address concerns effectively.

At the same time, Dynamics can support HR teams to simplify reporting with rich dashboards, helping leaders make informed decisions. By identifying and engaging the right candidates, businesses can feel confident that they're bringing in the right people to support future growth.





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HR: MATURITY

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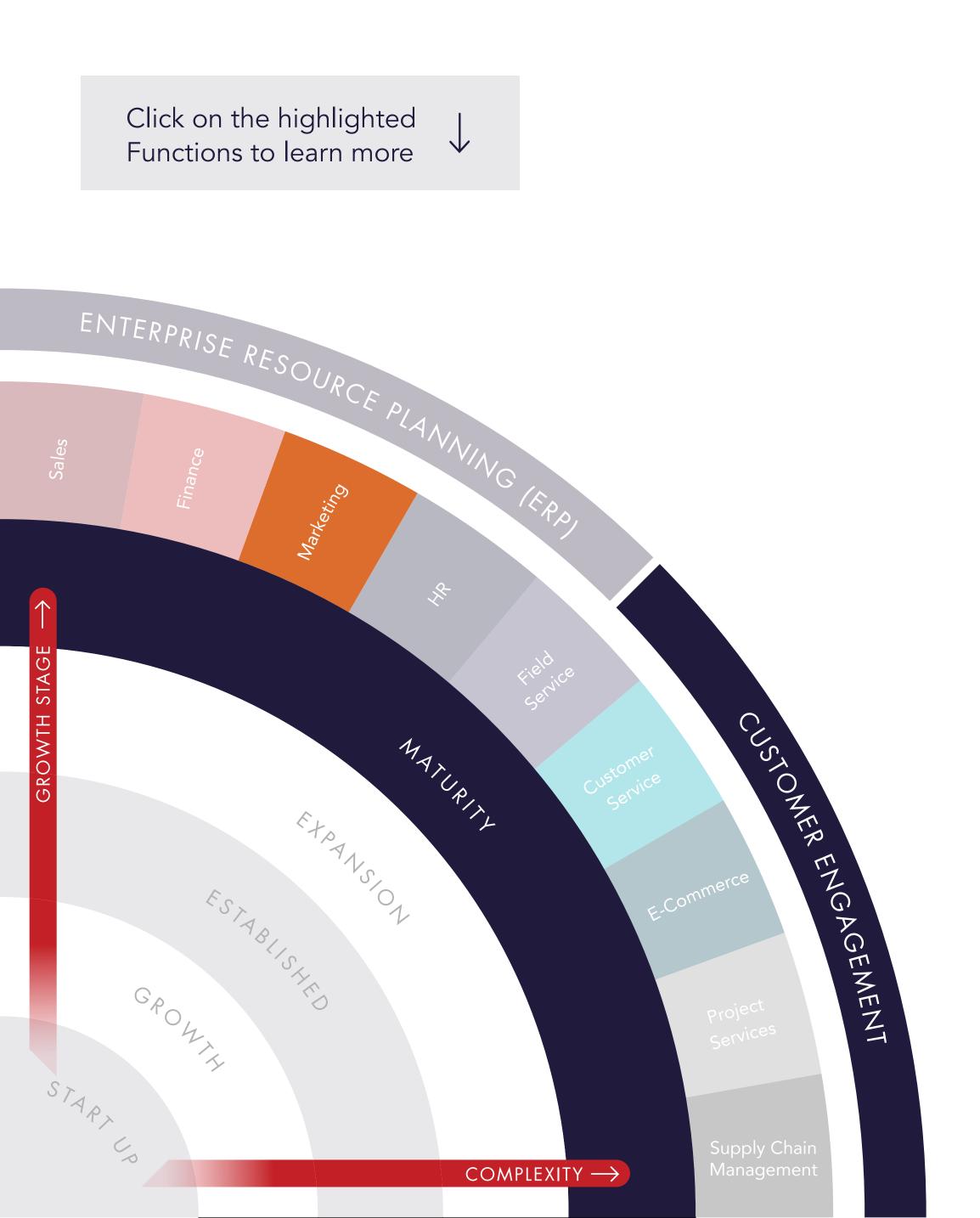
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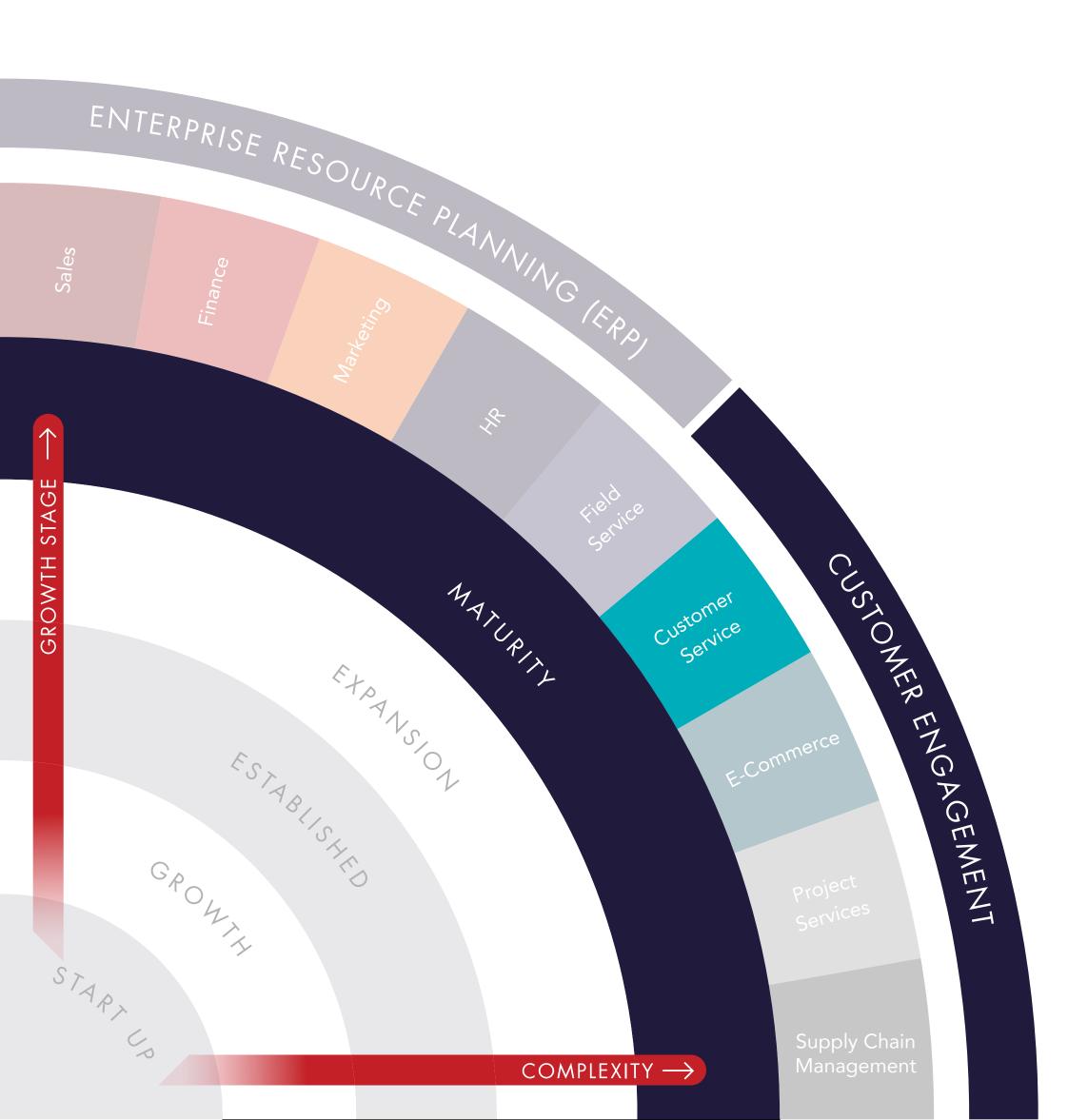
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CUSTOMER SERVICE: MATURITY

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Customer Service

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CHALLENGES

To meet high customer expectations, businesses are now under pressure to deliver omnichannel customer service. But for many, it's impossible to track when a customer has previously interacted with the company, even if they spoke to a different agent just minutes before.

Customer sales advisors may not have access to real-time, accurate information, or have collaboration tools in place to get quick answers from other departments.

And when customer calls surge, they sometimes lack the call handling insight to resource their teams properly, or have no way to route customers through an interactive voice response (IVR).

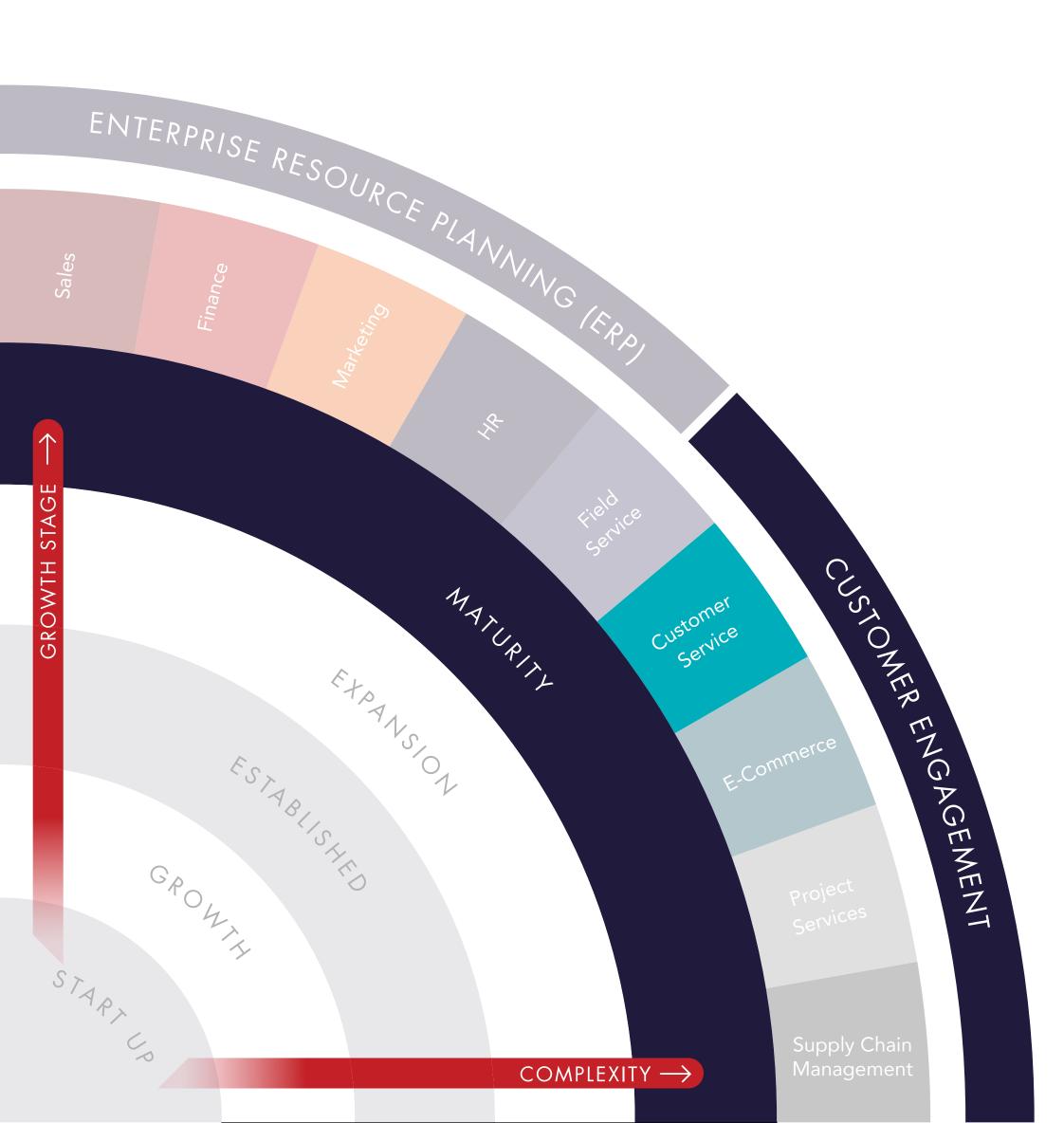
BENEFITS OF DYNAMICS

The CRM capabilities within Dynamics, underpinned by AI, are an ideal platform to help customer service teams deliver seamless, personalised experiences. Dynamics brings all customer touchpoints into one comprehensive view, so agents are empowered to solve problems with a full picture of the situation.





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CUSTOMER SERVICE: MATURITY

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Customer Service

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DYNAMICS CAPABILITIES

Case management

SLA support

Account management

Service automation

Customer web portals

Contract management

Service analytics

Dynamics 365 Customer Service Enterprise

Power Apps

Power BI

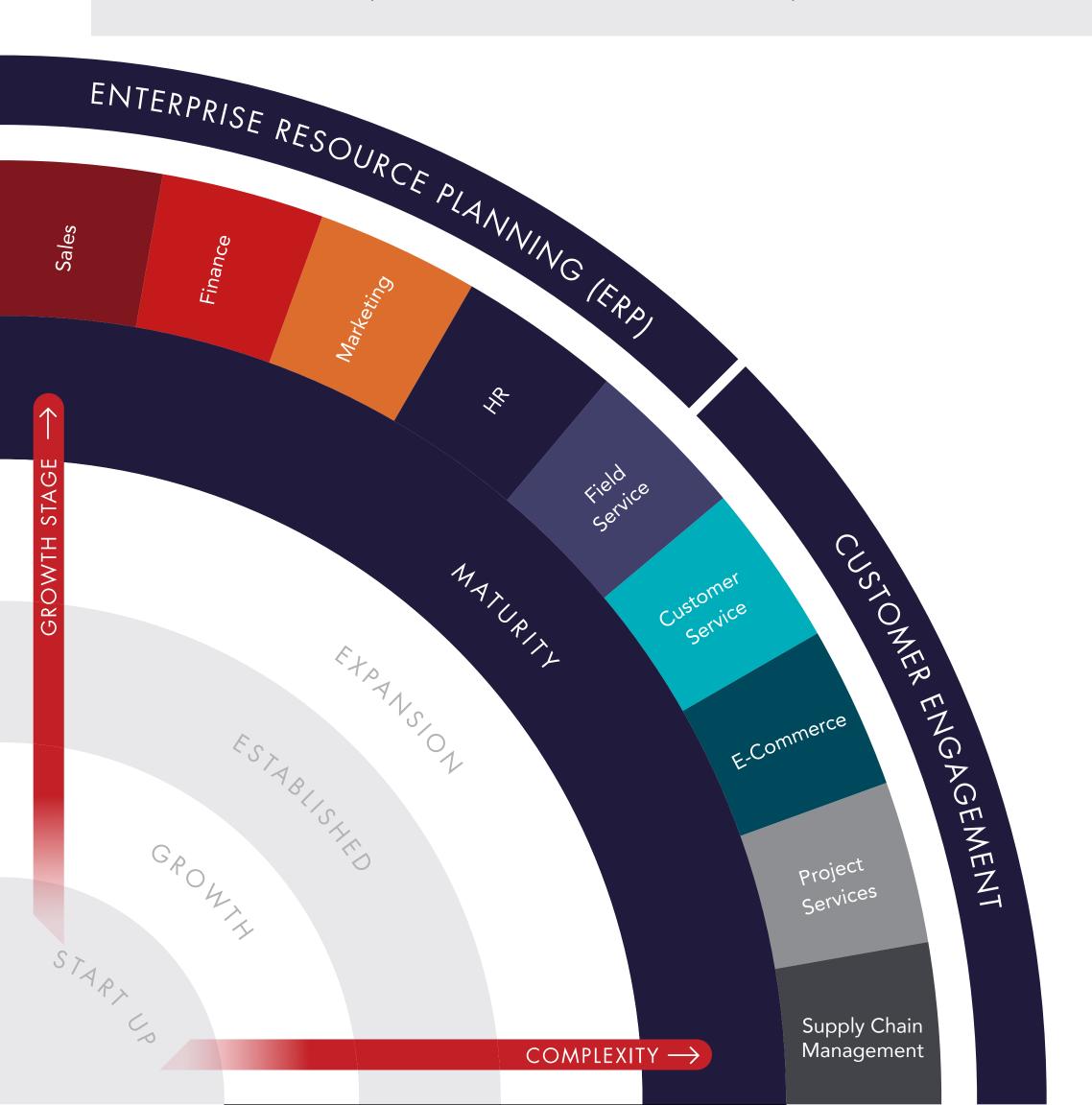
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This Pain Point affects all functions of the business – it requires significant strategic digital transformation, not a quick fix. Dynamics is part of the solution, but we'd encourage you to contact us for a deeper discussion about how best to address the challenges with your customer. In the meantime, you can click on each function to explore how Dynamics can meet their specific needs.



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ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING (ERP)

ERP is about efficient delivery and operations. It's everything that goes on behind the scenes in a business to make sure that they can do what their company was set up to do, as smoothly as possible. It covers the whole gamut from taking customer orders to fulfilment, including cashflow management and system integration.

That might mean using analytics to spot inefficiencies in the supply chain, or to reduce human error in finance processes. It could involve looking for patterns to improve last-mile deliveries, or identifying skill shortages in the workforce so that HR can recruit proactively.

To find out more about what SKUs are included in ERP and how it could work for your clients, get in touch with our Dynamics team.

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CUSTOMER ENGAGEMENT

If your customers want to improve the experience for their users, at any point, then Dynamics Customer Engagement is a great option. The SKUs included in this suite cover every part of the customer journey – from marketing and promotions, to online retail and e-commerce, to sales and post-sale customer care. It also helps managers monitor remote workers, ensuring they are able to uphold the same levels of customer service from any device and any location.

These Dynamics SKUs might help with flexible demand-based pricing for their digital shop, or provide chatbots to answer customer enquiries quickly. They can ensure your clients have a single view of the customer across all touchpoints, so their marketing and sales teams are acting in unison. Basically, Customer Engagement is there to give customers a seamless experience, wherever they are, and every time they interact with a brand.

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