

**How to Hire 3,000 People** 

A test in design, demand, and durability.

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## Agenda

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Part 1

# **And Then There Were 3,000**

## The cutting edge of modern GTM...



## ...and our customers...



## Product excellence will help our customers...







# OCK IMSIGHTS

## Commitment to the best B2B data

2.5x

Job change detection volume

64M

Companies published in H2 2022

2x

IP-company pairings coverage in 2023

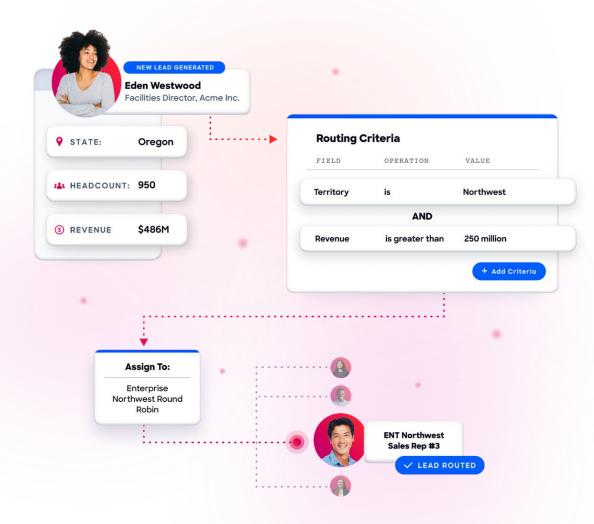
**50M** 

New direct & mobile numbers in 2023

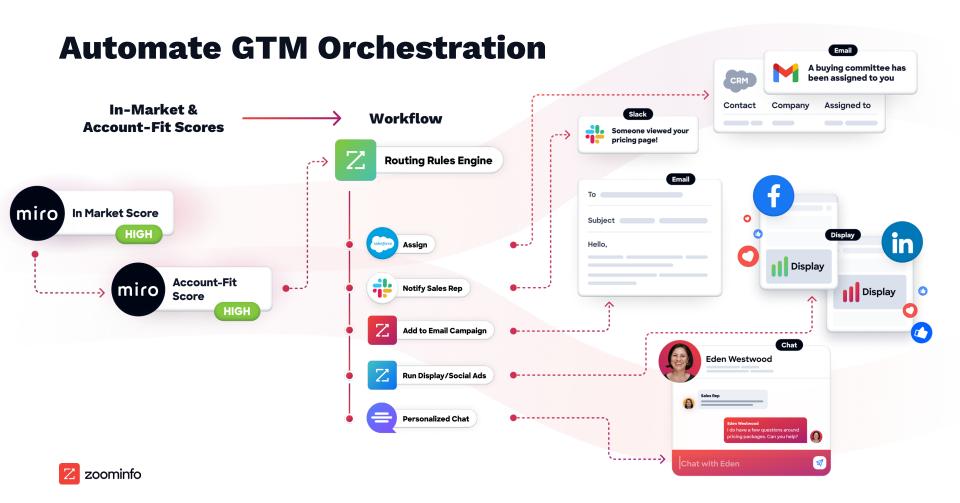


Lead Routing:

# Getting the right leads into the right hands







## **Aggressive History**

 1,100
 14,000
 >3,000
 >30,000

 Headcount 2020
 Customers 2023
 Headcount 2023
 Customers 2023



## **Deliberate Design**

- 1. Defined Success Profile
- Structured Selection
- 3. Evaluate both **Outcomes** (Performance) and **Behaviors** (Teamwork)
- 4. Intentional Culture

#### 1. Defined Success Profiles for All Roles

#### What People KNOW

Technical and/or professional information needed to perform job activities successfully

#### Examples:

- C++ Programming
- Client Acquisition Strategies
- Cross-Cultural Differences

#### What People HAVE DONE

Educational and work achievements needed to perform job activities successfully

#### Examples:

- Led a Sales Team
- Started up an Operation
- Launched a New Product



#### What People CAN DO

A cluster of behaviors performed on a job

#### Examples:

- Decision Making
- Planning and Organizing
- Coaching

#### Who People ARE

Personal dispositions and motivations that relate to job satisfaction, job success, or failure

#### Examples:

- Leadership Disposition
- Cognitive Ability
- Risk Averse

2. Cultivate & Retain  The market is accessible and the roles are highly critical to the business as described in Box 1.  50/50 internal to external: Internal scan against Top 5% of the market  50/50 In-Office and Remote	1. Strategic Hire  High Stakes Hiring Role is a "Critical Role" Scarce skills Very thin labor market Always in-demand across industries Highly developed and experienced talent.  Hire Top 5% Anywhere		
Pay at [50th] to [75th] of market.	Pay at [75th] percentile of market		
Above the median of the team.	Materially raises the average		
Grow & Develop     The positions and talent are prime ground for development.	Opportunistic Talent     Non-critical but necessary positions to ensure consistent operations		
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1. Assign and Train Interviewers

Consistent Scoring

3. Categorize your Roles

4. Leverage Pre-Hire Assessments

Accessible

**Talent Competitiveness** 

Competitiveness



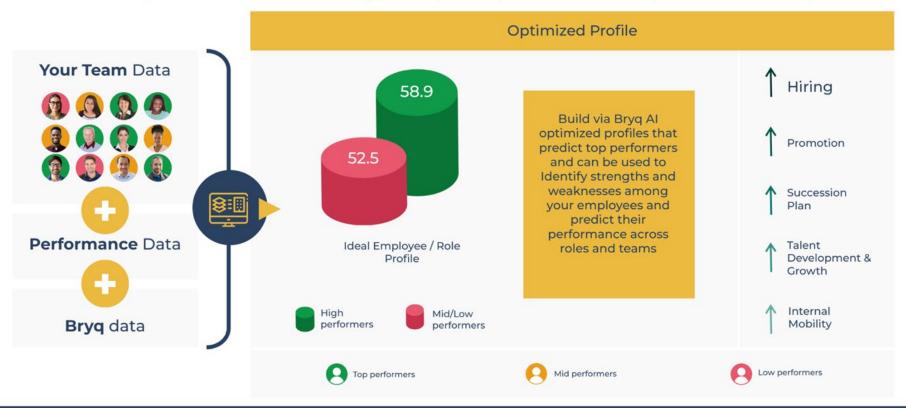


## 2. Pre-Hire Employment Assessment: Bryq

- 1. Behavioral and Cognitive
- 2. Establish a statistically significant baseline
- 3. A/B Testing

#### **TALENT INSIGHTS & ROLE OPTIMIZED PROFILES**

Performance no longer needs to be a black box; Bryq's AI help identify the true drivers of performance for every team



### **FINAL PROFILES - PERSONALITY TRAITS**

Category	Personality Traits	Account Executive Profile	Corporate Profile	Commercial Profile	Strategic Profile
WORK STYLE	Abstractedness	Practical	Practical	Practical	
	Openness to Change				
	Reasoning				
	Perfectionism	Flexible			
	Liveliness	Serious		Serious	
COCIAL CIVIL C	Social Boldness		Hesitant		
SOCIAL SKILLS	OCIAL SKILLS  Privateness				
	Warmth	Reserved			
	Apprehension		Apprehensive	Confident	
	Sensitivity		Sensitive	Objective	Sensitive
PERSONALITY	Emotional Stability				Adaptive
	Tension				Easygoing
	Rule-Consciousness	Non-Conforming	Non-Conforming	Rule-conscious	Non-Conforming
	Dominance				Assertive
TEAM WORK	Self-Reliance	Self-reliant	Self-reliant	Group-oriented	
	Vigilance				Skeptical

#### 2. Structured Selection Results

Before
ZI Hired Core & Top People
50% of the Time

After
ZI Hired **Core & Top People 73%** of the Time
Resets the Bar

#### 3. Performance & Teamwork

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#### Core Talent

#### Teamwork (High)

 Ability to collaborate with others to achieve common goals, leveraging individual strengths and skills to contribute to the success of the team.

#### Performance (Low)

 Does not consistently meet performance expectations or deadlines for the current role resulting in substandard results.

#### Solid Talent

#### Teamwork (High)

 Collaborates with others through effective communication, and contributing to group goals, fostering an inclusive environment.

#### Performance (Okay)

 Perform their jobs satisfactorily but do not exhibit exemplary effort, achievement, or leadership potential compared to top performers. They meet expectations but have little drive to exceed them.

#### **Top Talent**

#### Teamwork (High)

 Works to break down silos across the organization and partners effectively with cross functional groups to achieve high impact objectives.

#### Performance (High)

Outstanding track record of performance.
 Consistently exceeds expectations and turns around work at a rapid pace.

#### Talent to Address

#### Teamwork (Low)

 Lack of collaboration and mutual support, resulting in poor communication, low morale, and limited progress towards shared goals.

#### Performance (Low)

 Does not consistently meet performance expectations or deadlines for the current role resulting in substandard results.

#### Talent to Evaluate

#### Teamwork (Low)

 Lacks effective communication, cooperation, and adaptability in collaborative setting, which impede team productivity and cohesion.

#### Performance (Okay)

 Reliably meets expectations in their role, but does not exceed them. They complete their core duties satisfactorily, yet lack exceptional skills, motivation or initiative to truly stand out.

#### High Impact Talent

#### Teamwork (Low)

 Opportunities to collaborate with others to achieve common goals, leveraging individual strengths and skills to contribute to the success of the team.

#### Performance (High)

 Consistently meets or exceeds performance expectations for the role. Meets and exceeds deadlines and turns around work on time or in advance.

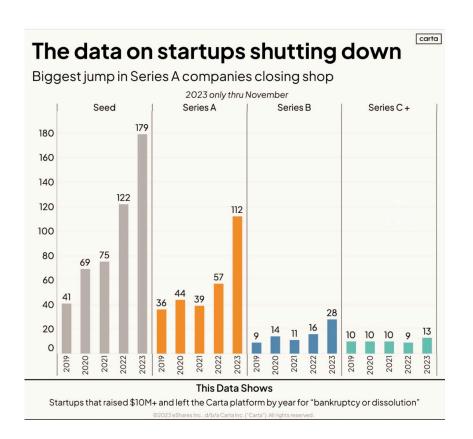
Low

Performance



#### 4. Be Intentional About the Culture

Deliberate action sets up scale and survivability



(high growth + high margins) X great talent - (waste + bureaucracy) = staggeringly valuable company



Part 2

## Disaster

"This is an extinction level event in tech."

- Gary Tan CEO, Y-Combinator









Low Cost of Capital

Investment in Companies

**Product Innovation** 

**Discretionary Purchasing** 

**Product Inelasticity** 

Interest Rates Rise *Oops...* 

Investment Flows to [Bonds] *Oops...* 

Product Stasis/Degradation *Uh oh...* 

Curb Spending Oh no...

Product Elasticity
Oh sh!t...

DEMAND

## **Everyone Stands Up**

Thousands of customers exposed

Hundreds in billions in uninsured deposits trapped

A portion of ZI cash trapped

Payroll Operated through SVB

Redundancy in place for Payroll by 10am

**Emergency LOC opened** 

Pause on AR and Customer Requirements

Communication begins <u>before</u> start of business



## **Team Sentiment Continued to Improve**

#### +2 Years

June, 2021

Employee NPS: 78/100

**Voluntary Attrition: 20%** 

ARR per FTE: \$352.8k

June, 2023

Employee NPS: 86/100. +8pts

Voluntary Attrition: 16% -4%

ARR per FTE: \$360.2k +7.4k





Part 3

## **And Here we Remain**

- 3,500+
- \$1.2B+ in Revenue
- > 40% Margin

## **Philosophizing**

- **1** ■Occupy the High Ground. Leadership sees the workforce from a different altitude. Use it to identify patterns on your teams and other teams. Identify the patterns through observations, not inferences.
- **2** Don't Build Fortresses, Isolation is Dangerous. Be approachable and available to each other and your teams. Building a wall cuts off access to the information you need.
- **3 Concentrate** your effort and communication.
- 4 Be Like Water.
- **5** Use the Theory of Constraints. Every goal has a constraint–a blocker. Identify the blockers and eliminate or minimize them. Use positive inversion, convert the blocker into the goal.
- **6** Beware the Unhappy and the Unlucky. Negativity is exhausting and toxic. Stop it, in yourself and in our teams. Isolate and exit the chronically disavowed and disaffected. They will sow panic and fear in your team.
- **7** ■Identify and Hold up Your Ballasts. They are the informal leaders. The ones unafraid to give you honest feedback.
- 8 Trade space for time.
- **9**∎Plan all the Way to the End.