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# IBM and Ascential Together

*Unmatched information integration*



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# IBM Completes Ascential Acquisition

- ***IBM and Ascential simplify Information Management***
- ***This acquisition extends the industry's broadest and deepest information integration capabilities for On Demand Business***
- ***IBM uniquely provides customers an open, flexible infrastructure for delivering accurate, consistent, timely, and coherent information.***



# What's on the minds of 450 of the world's leading CEOs?



## CEO needs

- **Revenue growth** with cost containment
- Key competency: **responsiveness**
- Critical success factor: enable effectiveness of **people** and **processes**

Source: CEO Study of 456 WW CEOs IBM Corporation - 2004

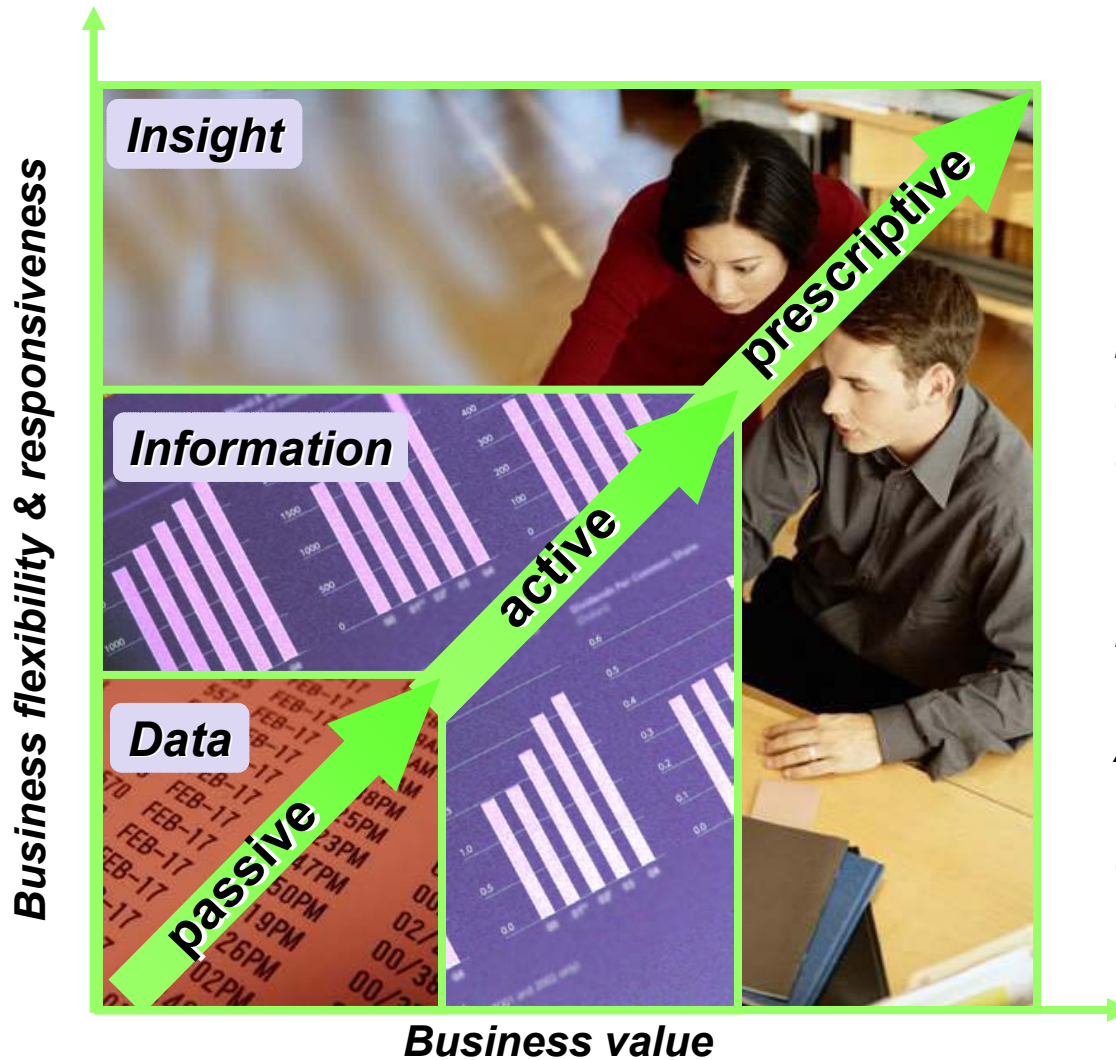
## CIO challenges

- Aligning IT and business goals to grow revenue and contain costs
- Building responsiveness and agility into the organization through IT
- How can IT help enable people and teams to be more effective?

Source: Operating Environment Market Drivers Study, IBM Corp. 2004

# Information On Demand...

## Turning Data Into Business Insight



*Integrate more and more data and content, from many different sources...*

*Transform it into useful information . . .*

*Analyze it in real time to make intelligent decisions quickly...*



# From CEOs: “Now It Is About Growing The Top Line While Keeping The Bottom Line In Check.”

**60% + of CEOs: Need to do a better job capturing and understanding information rapidly in order to make swift business decisions.**

**Only 1/3rd of CFOs believe that the information is easy to use, tailored, cost effective or integrated.**

**85% of information is unstructured.**

**30-50% of design time is copy management.**

**42% of transactions are still paper-based.**

**30% of people's time: searching for relevant information.**

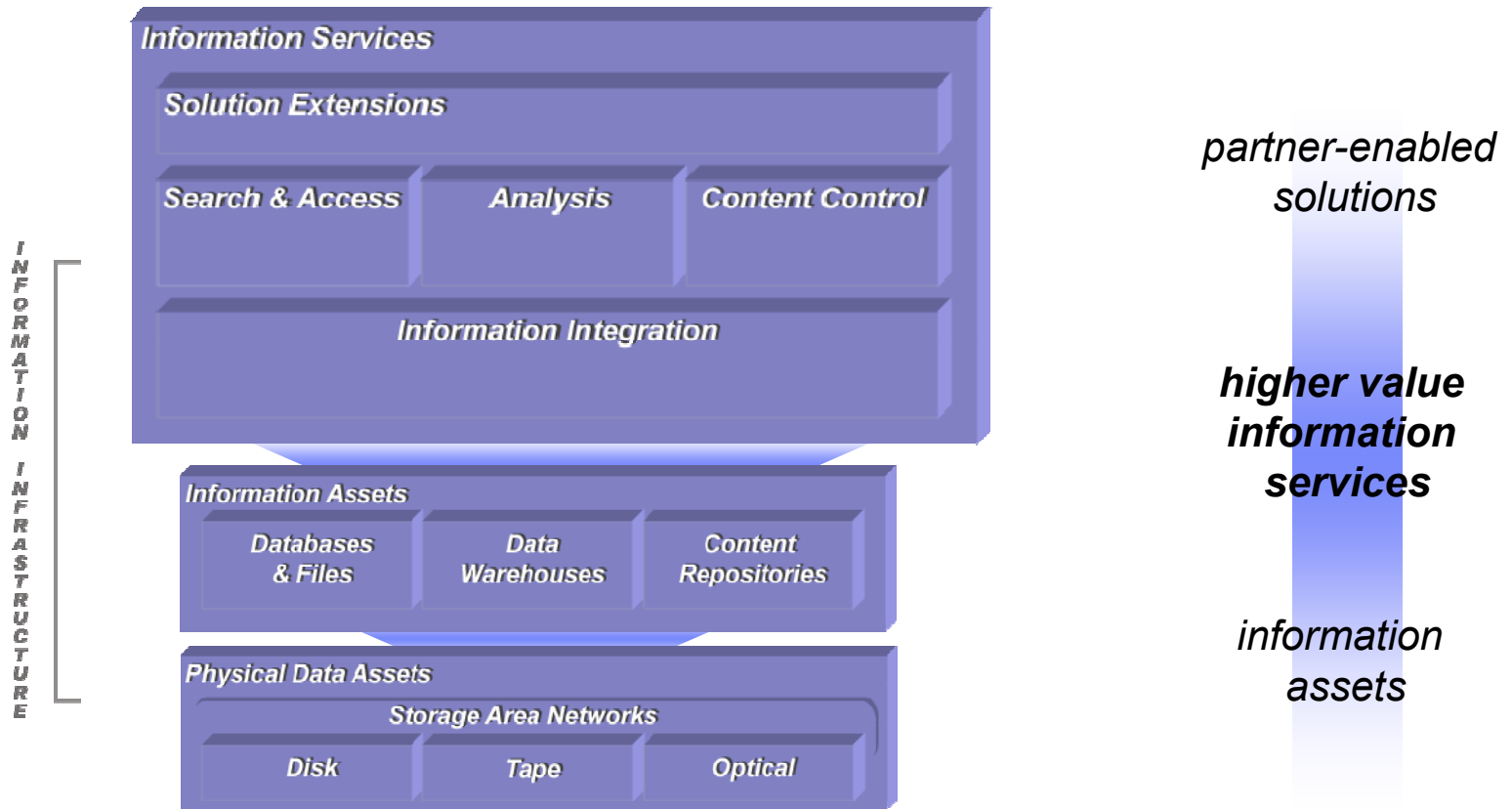


**The average billion dollar company:  
48 disparate financial systems  
2.7 ERP systems**

**40% of IT budgets may be spent on integration.**

# Information On Demand

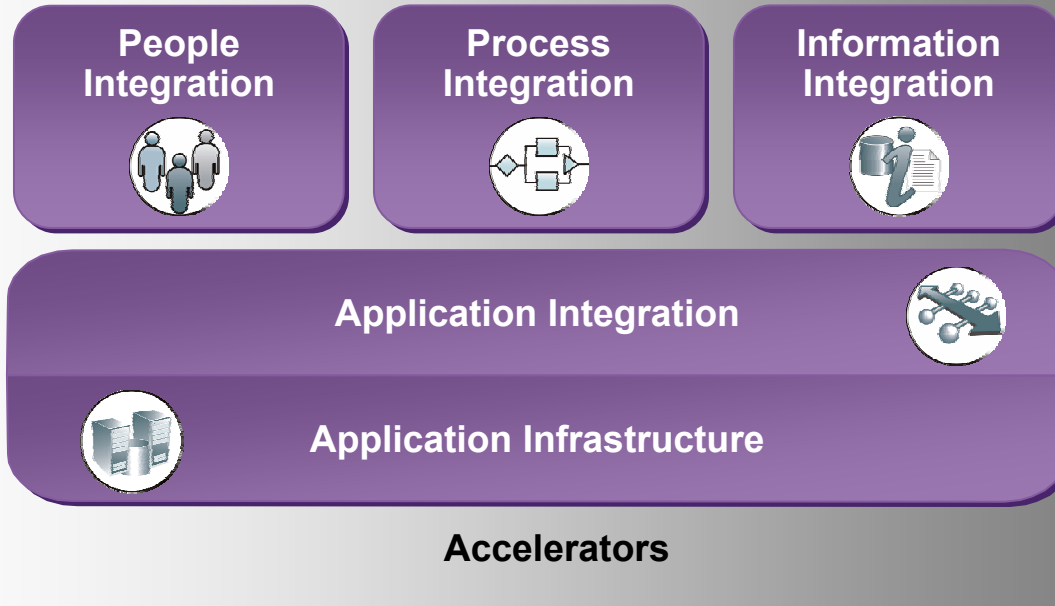
*Optimize business value by integrating, analyzing and efficiently managing all information assets throughout their lifecycle*



*Enabling Our Clients' Information Infrastructure*



# Enabling On Demand Flexibility



**Integrate**  
people,  
processes and  
information

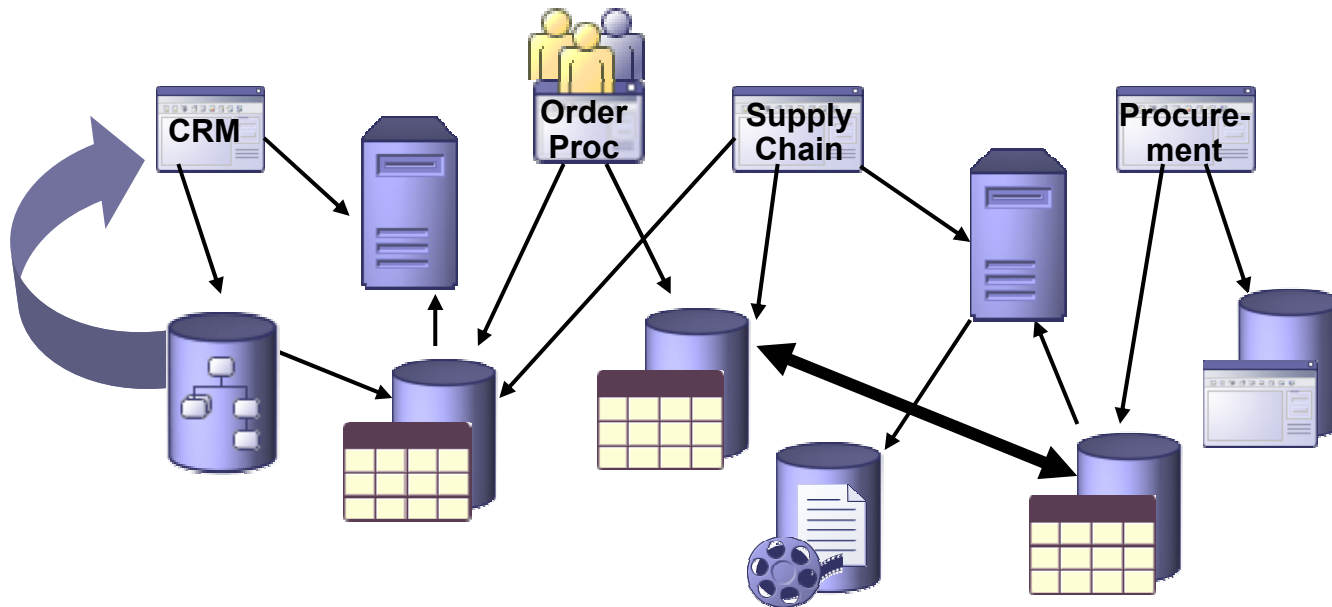
**Optimize**  
application  
infrastructure

**Extend**  
your reach



# Today's World: Complex and Costly

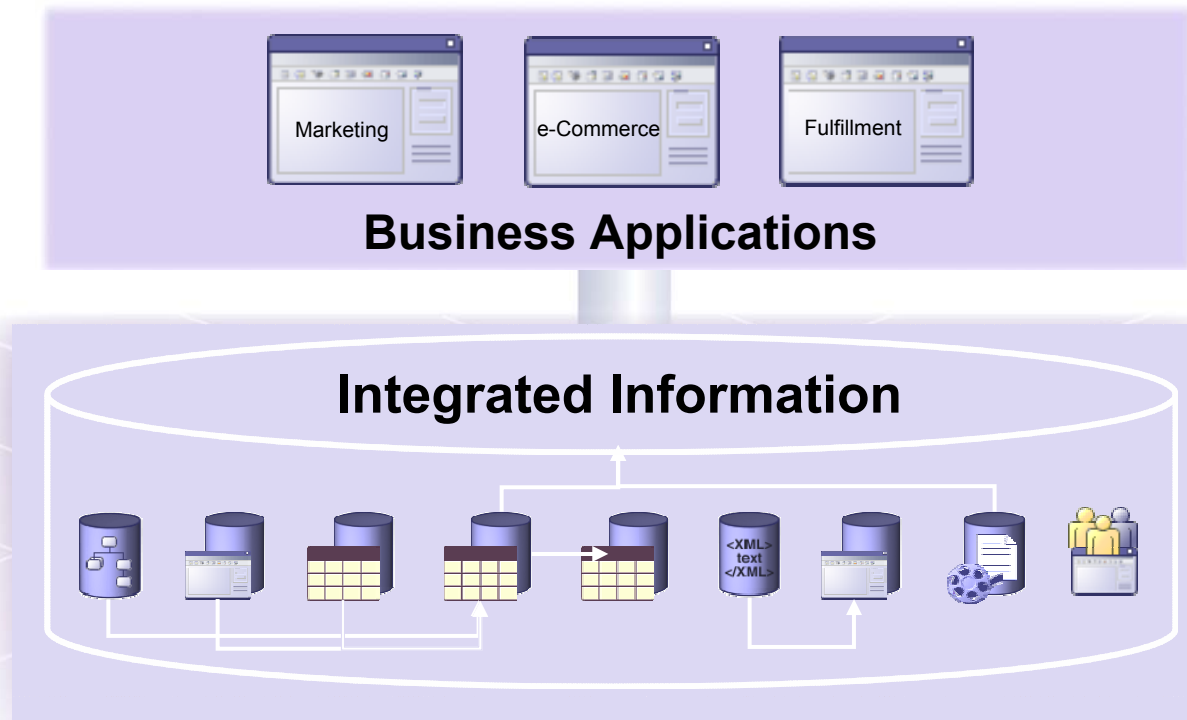
- Heterogeneous, distributed data
- Inconsistent islands of information underlie applications
- Complications from M&A and departmental purchases
- Complex & costly copy synchronization
- Inconsistent and poor quality data
- No feedback on quality of service
- Impossible to support business transformation





# IBM Information Integration Vision

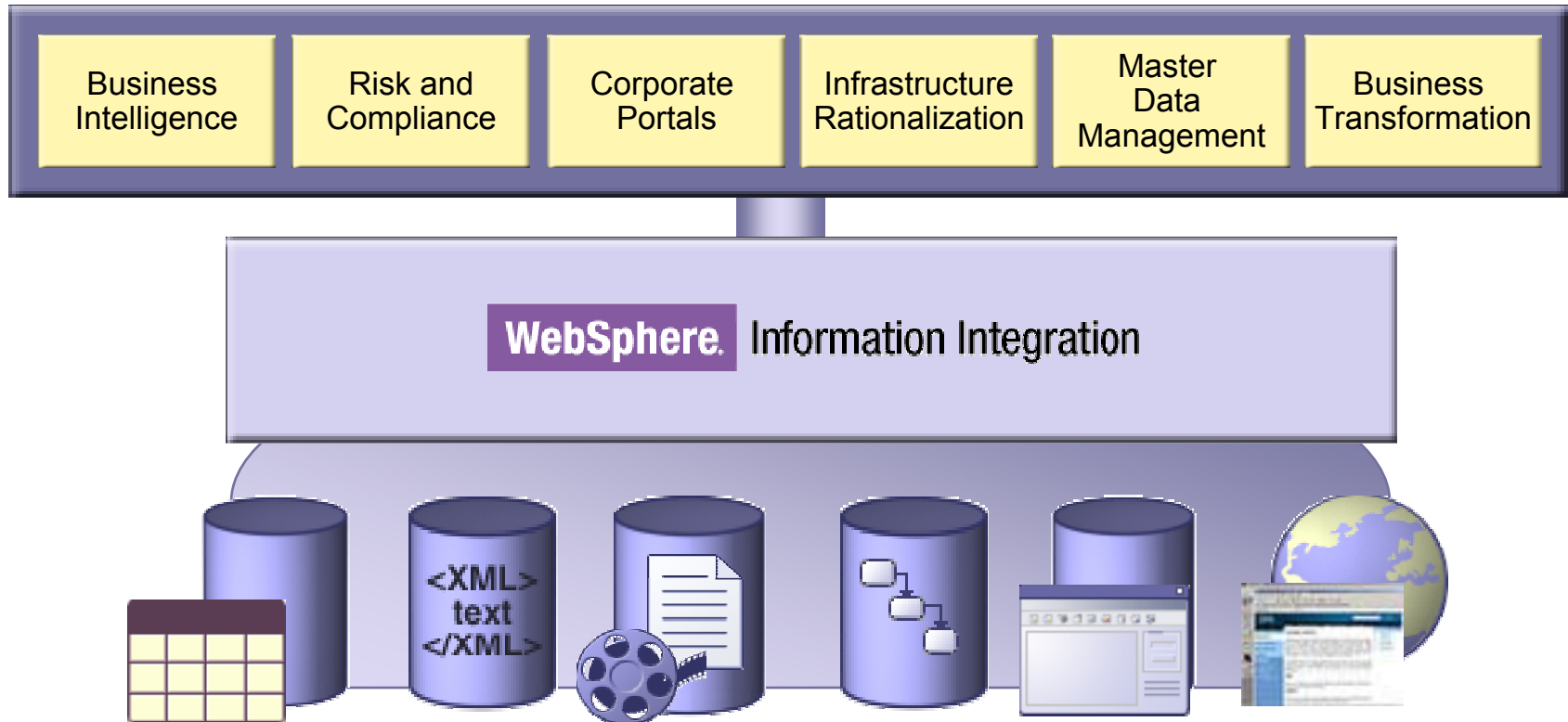
*Delivering accurate, consistent, timely, and coherent business information*



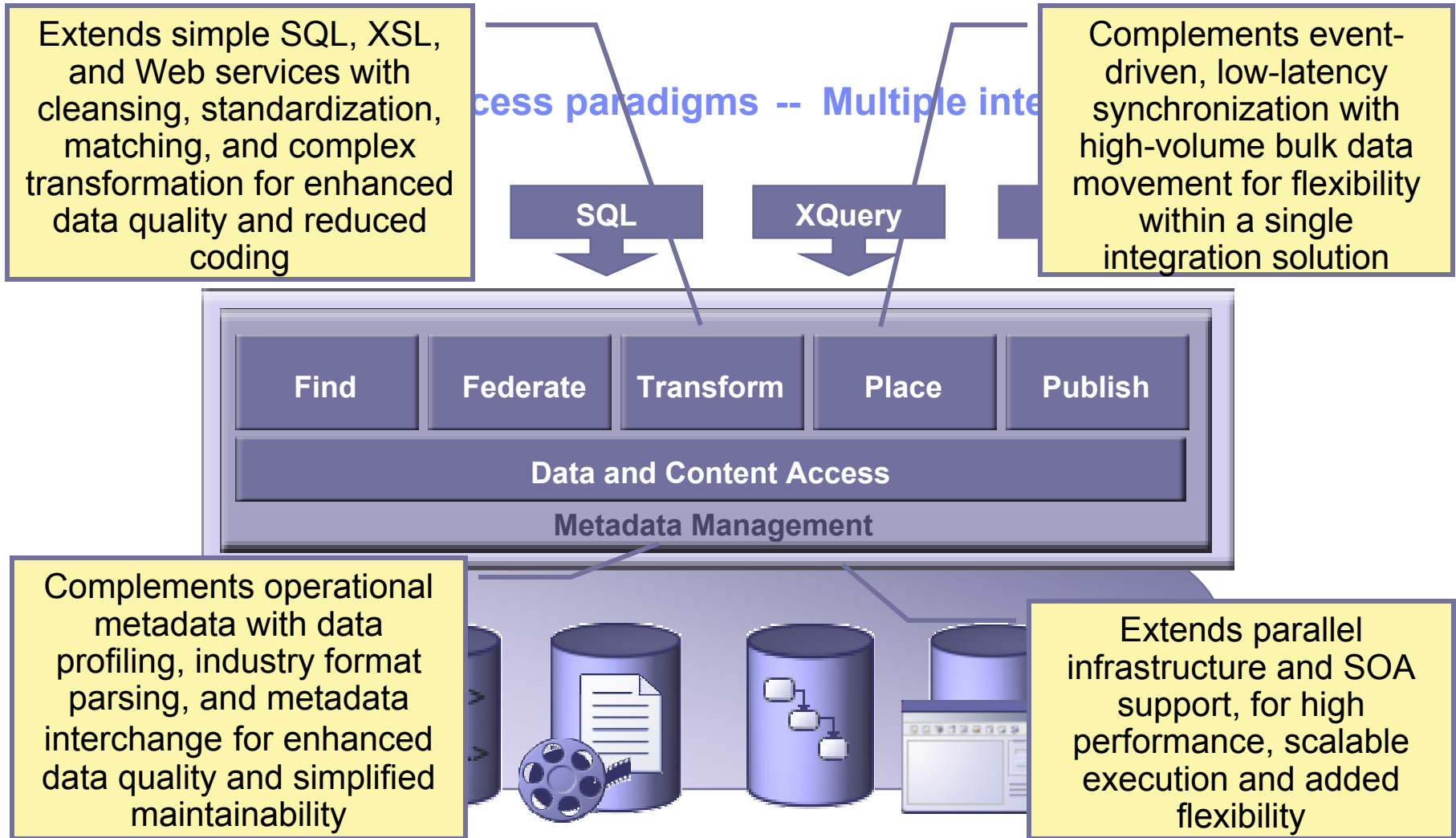
Get the right information, in the form you want, whenever you need it.  
Isolate applications from information complexity.

# WebSphere Information Integration

*A strategic information integration platform to help enterprises become on demand businesses*

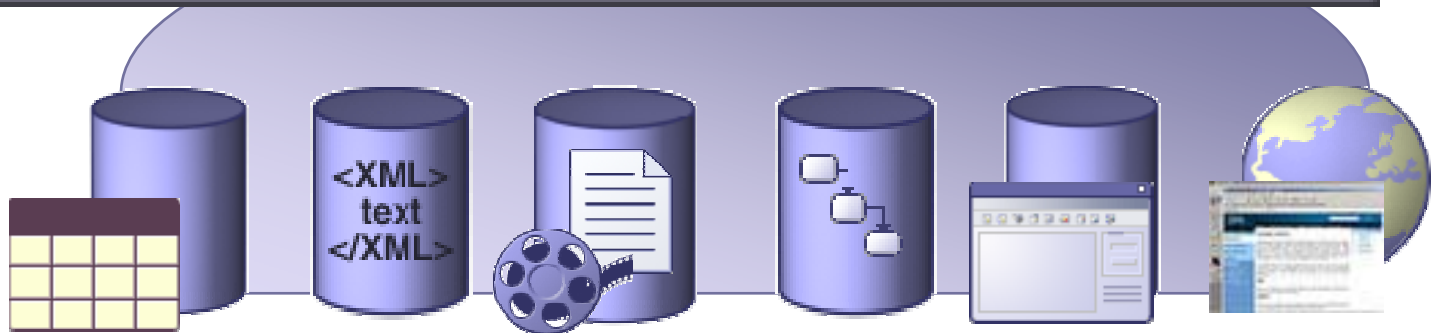
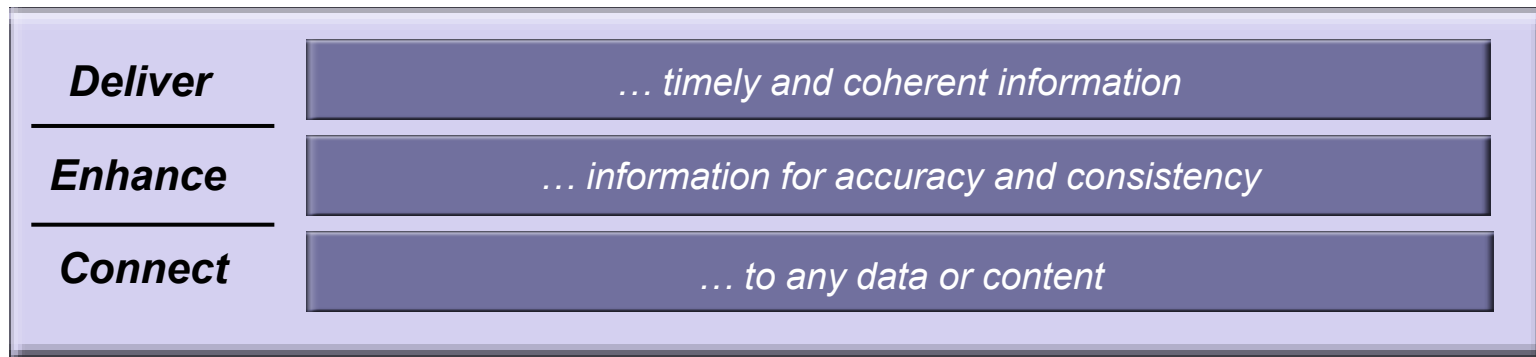


# Key Technology Additions from Ascential



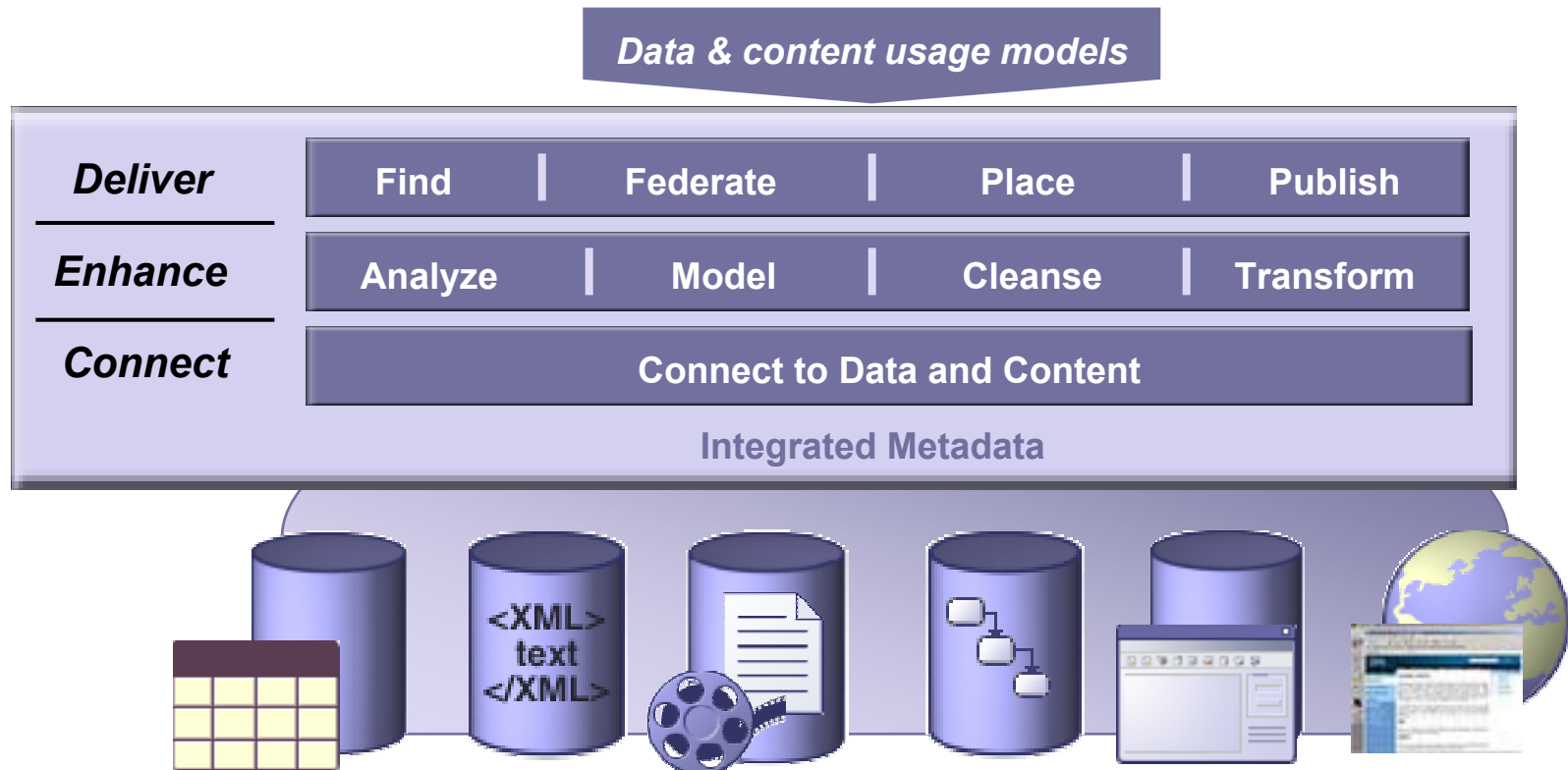
# Comprehensive Information Integration Services

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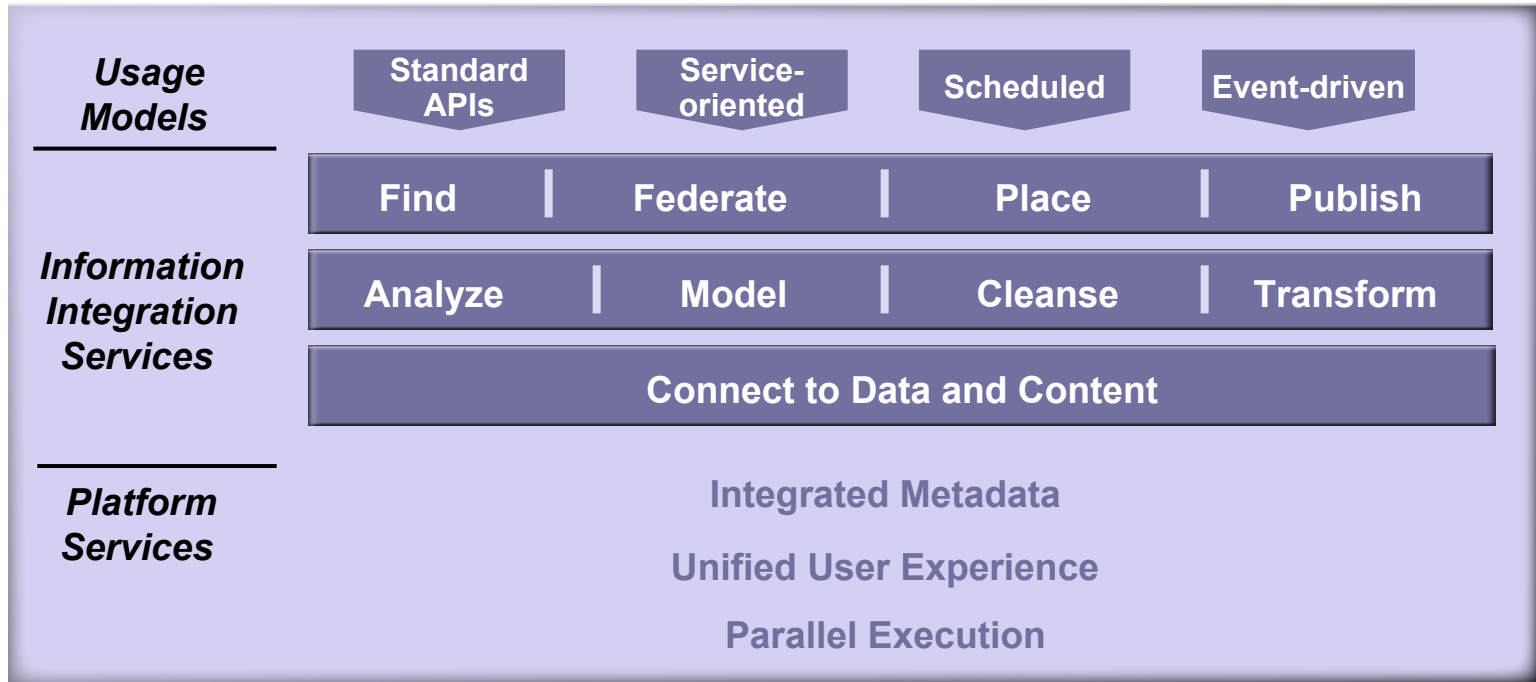
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# Strategic Platform Elements

*An open, flexible infrastructure*



# Competitive Differentiation

<b>Any Data and Content</b>	Structured and unstructured, mainframe and distributed, public and private, from multiple vendors
<b>Any Usage Model</b>	Standards-based and services-based APIs, schedule-driven and event-driven capability
<b>Broadest Function</b>	Federation, replication, event publishing, ETL, data profiling, data quality, content integration, enterprise search Shared transformation rules and metadata Full spectrum information lifecycle support
<b>Leading Scalability and Performance</b>	Parallel exploitation
<b>Proven Success</b>	Deployments across all industries and geographies Category leadership: EII, ETL, data profiling, data quality, ECI
<b>World-class Partner Ecosystem</b>	Pre-tested integration and demonstrable added value Widely available skills for deployment

# Product Integration Already Exists

- Shared transformation library
  - ▶ Ascential transformation library callable from WebSphere Information Integrator and WebSphere Business Integration
- Unifying service-oriented architecture
  - ▶ Across WebSphere Information Integration, WebSphere Business Integration, and Ascential offerings
- Messaging and transformation
  - ▶ Adapter/plug-in enabling Ascential products to read from and write to WebSphere MQ
  - ▶ Adapter/plug-in enabling DataStage TX to integrate with WebSphere Business Integration Message Broker
- Metadata exchange
  - ▶ Ascential MetaBroker for DB2 Cube Views
- Shared mainframe access and event infrastructure
  - ▶ WebSphere II Classic Federation adapters and Classic Event Publishers re-sold by Ascential





# Near Term Priorities – Next 12 Months

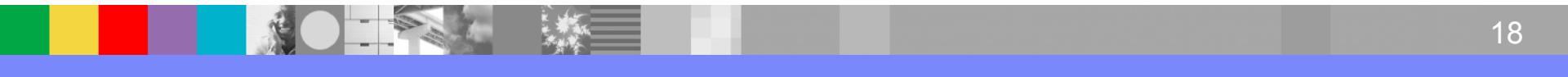
## *Enhance and deliver planned releases*

- Deliver IBM Project Serrano and Ascential Hawk releases in 2005 with expanded integration
  - ▶ Continue Ascential packaging strategy for Hawk
  
- Enhance Serrano and Hawk beyond original plans
  - ▶ Expand platform synergy and speed deployment with metadata exchange enhancements and out-of-the-box connectors
  - ▶ Extend Hawk national language translation to address the broader global market
  - ▶ Enhance linkage between DataStage TX and WebSphere Business Integration Message Broker
  
- Leverage existing platform integration
  - ▶ Enhance business intelligence, business transformation, infrastructure rationalization, and master data management synergies



# Future Integration and Simplification

- A converged set of tools based on eclipse
  - ▶ Unified information integration user experience based on the Mozart framework
  - ▶ Common application integration tooling framework for WebSphere Business Integration and DataStage TX
  
- An integrated metadata discovery, exchange, and management capability
  - ▶ A single repository architecture spanning existing IBM Software Group functionality in combination with elements of the Ascential and IBM metadata initiatives
  
- A harmonized set of connectors
  - ▶ For use across WebSphere Information Integrator, WebSphere Business Integration, and Ascential technologies
  
- A consistent set of transformation services
  - ▶ Available for use across integration disciplines merging Ascential and IBM capabilities



# Ascential and WebSphere Business Integration: Maximizing Value for Customers

## Unmatched Leadership with Industry's Broadest Integration Portfolio

- Adding Value for Existing Ascential Customers
  - ▶ Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) Leadership in standards and Infrastructure
  - ▶ Market leading offering in guaranteed messaging with WebSphere MQ
  - ▶ Enterprise Service Bus and Event Management Capability with WebSphere Business Integration Message Broker
  - ▶ Business Process Integration, Automation and Transformation with WebSphere Business Integration and WebSphere Business Integration Modeler
  - ▶ Providing solutions for Product Information Management and Commerce leveraging existing data sources
  
- Adding Value for Existing WebSphere Customers
  - ▶ Adding Extract, Transform and Load (ETL) capabilities for bulk data handling to WebSphere Business Integration via WebSphere DataStage
  - ▶ Data cleansing for high quality input to applications, services and business processes via WebSphere QualityStage
  - ▶ Enhanced data transformation for complex, nested and hierarchical data types via WebSphere DataStage TX plug in to WebSphere Business Integration Message Broker
  - ▶ Enhanced support for Industry specific standards such as SWIFT and HIPAA



# Ascential Products now IBM WebSphere

<b>Ascential DataStage</b> .....	<b>IBM WebSphere DataStage</b>
<b>Ascential QualityStage</b> .....	<b>IBM WebSphere QualityStage</b>
<b>Ascential DataStage TX</b> .....	<b>IBM WebSphere DataStage TX</b>
<b>Ascential ProfileStage</b> .....	<b>IBM WebSphere ProfileStage</b>
<b>Ascential MetaStage</b> .....	<b>IBM WebSphere MetaStage</b>
<b>Ascential Enterprise Integration Suite</b> .....	<b>IBM WebSphere Data Integration Suite</b>



# Improve IT Flexibility and Responsiveness

## Speed time to market

- Reduce hand-coding and development time for new applications and complex integrations
- Improve IT agility to respond to business needs

## Extend value of existing investments

- Improve information quality and decision-making
- Leverage enterprise information assets and infrastructure investments

## Control costs and increase ROI

- Improve organizational productivity and efficiency
- Leverage information infrastructure across broad-ranging challenges





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