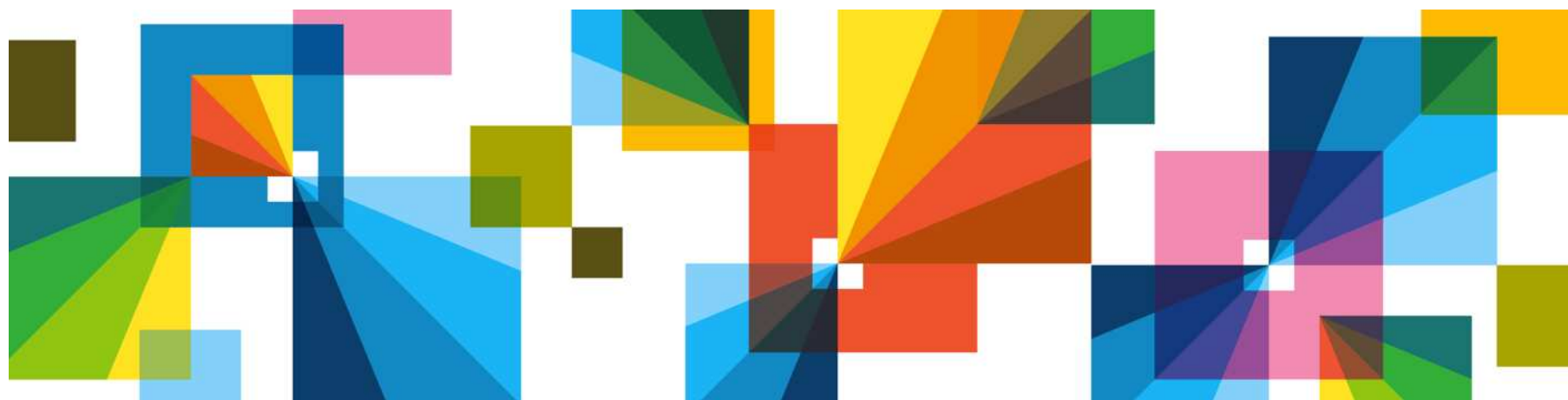


# Smarter *Finance!* Analytics – the New Imperative

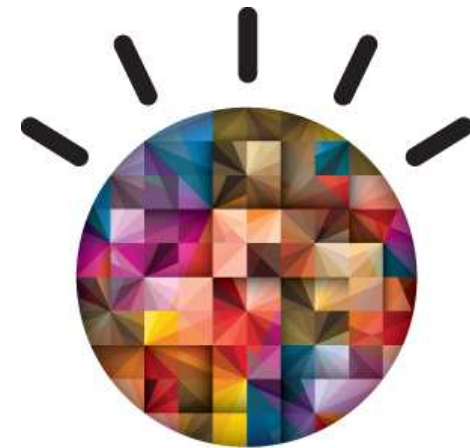
Delivering Stronger Business Insight Through a CFO Dashboard

*Douglas Irwin, Business Analytics & Optimization Solution Leader for ASEAN, IBM Global Business Services*



Four years ago, we started working with organizations to build a **smarter planet**

Through thousands of client engagements, we learned that analytics is fundamental to success.



# Since then, analytics has continued to evolve:

- From enterprise data to big data
- From business initiative to business imperative
- From advancing single organizations to transforming entire industries

# IBM Smarter Analytics Signature Solution CFO Performance Insight

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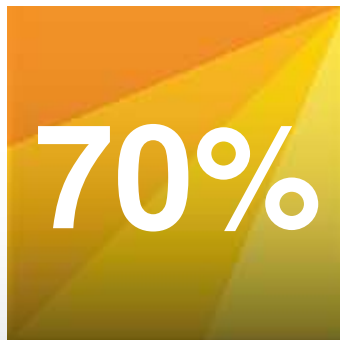
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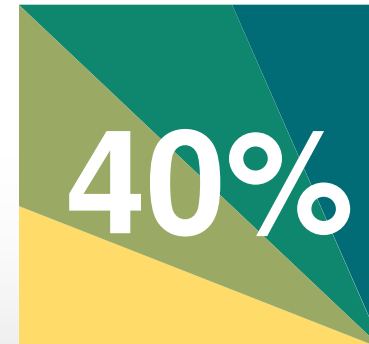
**CFOs are taking a more prominent role** in enterprise decision making. Yet, many struggle with structural complexity



**CFOs have an advisory or decision making role on the enterprise agenda**



**Time used by finance is spent on tactical, transactional activities**

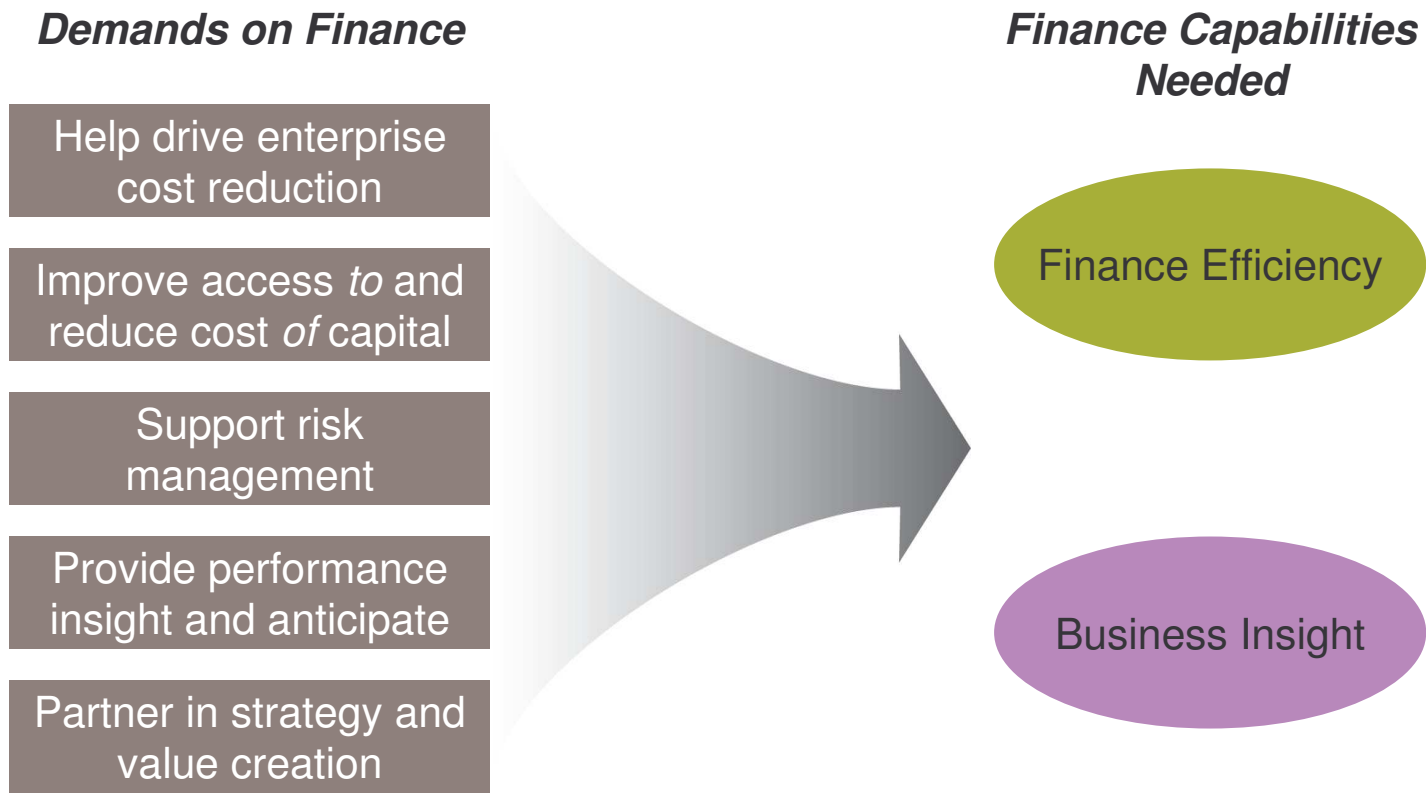


**Enterprises produce financial metrics manually**

Source: IBM Institute for Business Value, The Global CFO Study 2010

# A broad enterprise-focused role requires core Finance efficiency be in place to reliably support business insight and decision making

## Addressing the Broader Enterprise-Focused Role of Finance



The majority of ASEAN enterprises are not able to effectively deliver business insights

### Business Insight Challenges

**Nearly 50% (49%) lack a common planning platform**

**72% (53%) manually producing operational metrics**

**76% (55%) not satisfied with their operational planning and forecasting analytical capability**

**52% (44%) are poor to average at anticipating external forces**



# Objective financial data validates that decision making supported by business insight contributes to outperformance in enterprises in ASEAN

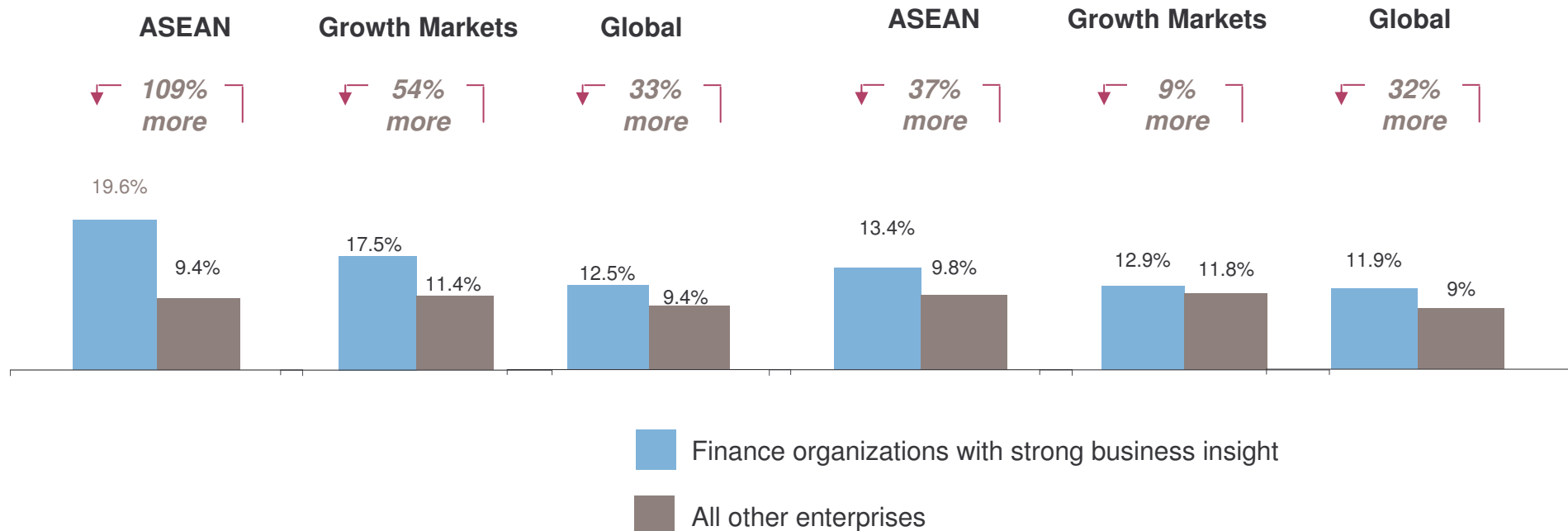
## Business Insight Contributes to Financial Outperformance

### Revenue Growth

5 Year CAGR (2004-2008)

### Return on Invested Capital

5 Year Average (2004-2008)

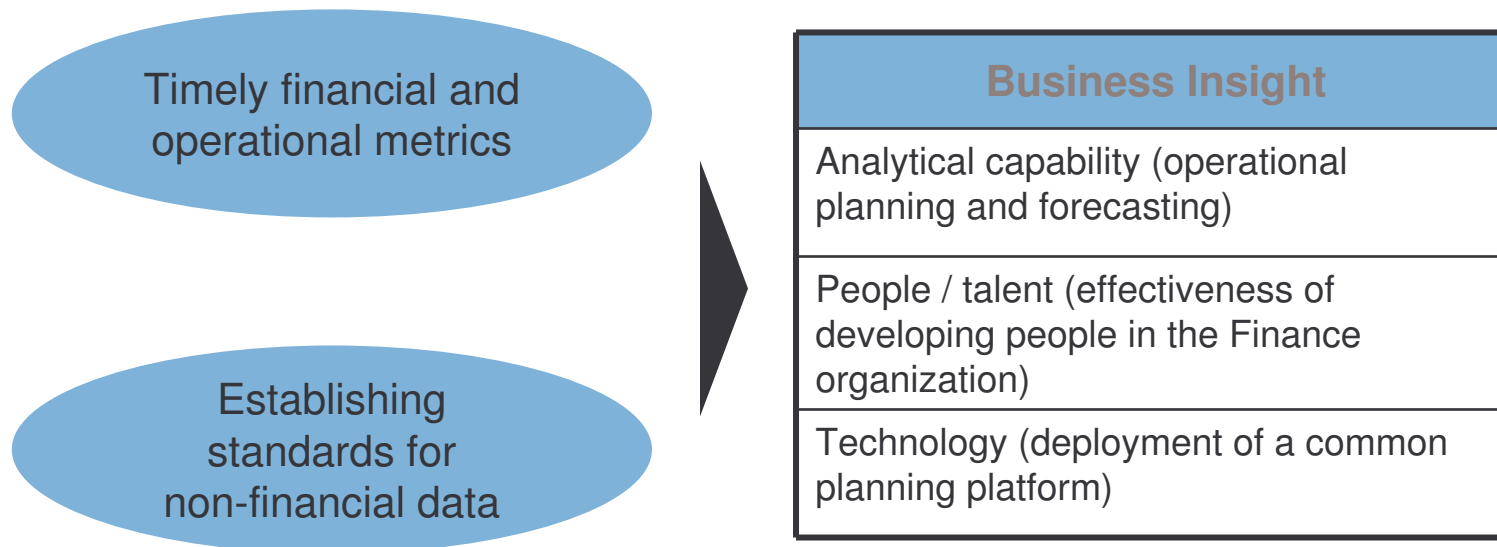


ASEAN: Revenue Growth: N = 13; ROIC: N = 13  
 GB Growth Markets: Revenue Growth: N = 37; ROIC: N = 41  
 Global: Revenue Growth: N = 580; ROIC: N = 606  
 Source: IBM Institute for Business Value, The Global CFO Study 2010



# The journey to business insight can be accelerated

## Business Insight Accelerators



# IBM Business Analytics and Optimization – CFO performance dashboard



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# Overview

## IBM Smarter Analytics Signature Solutions

A portfolio of outcome-based analytics solutions that address the most pressing industry and functional challenges by bringing together the breadth and depth of IBM's intellectual capital, software, infrastructure, research, and consulting services to deliver break-away results.



### **Tackle** High-value initiatives

Address industry imperatives and critical processes



### **Deliver** Proven outcomes

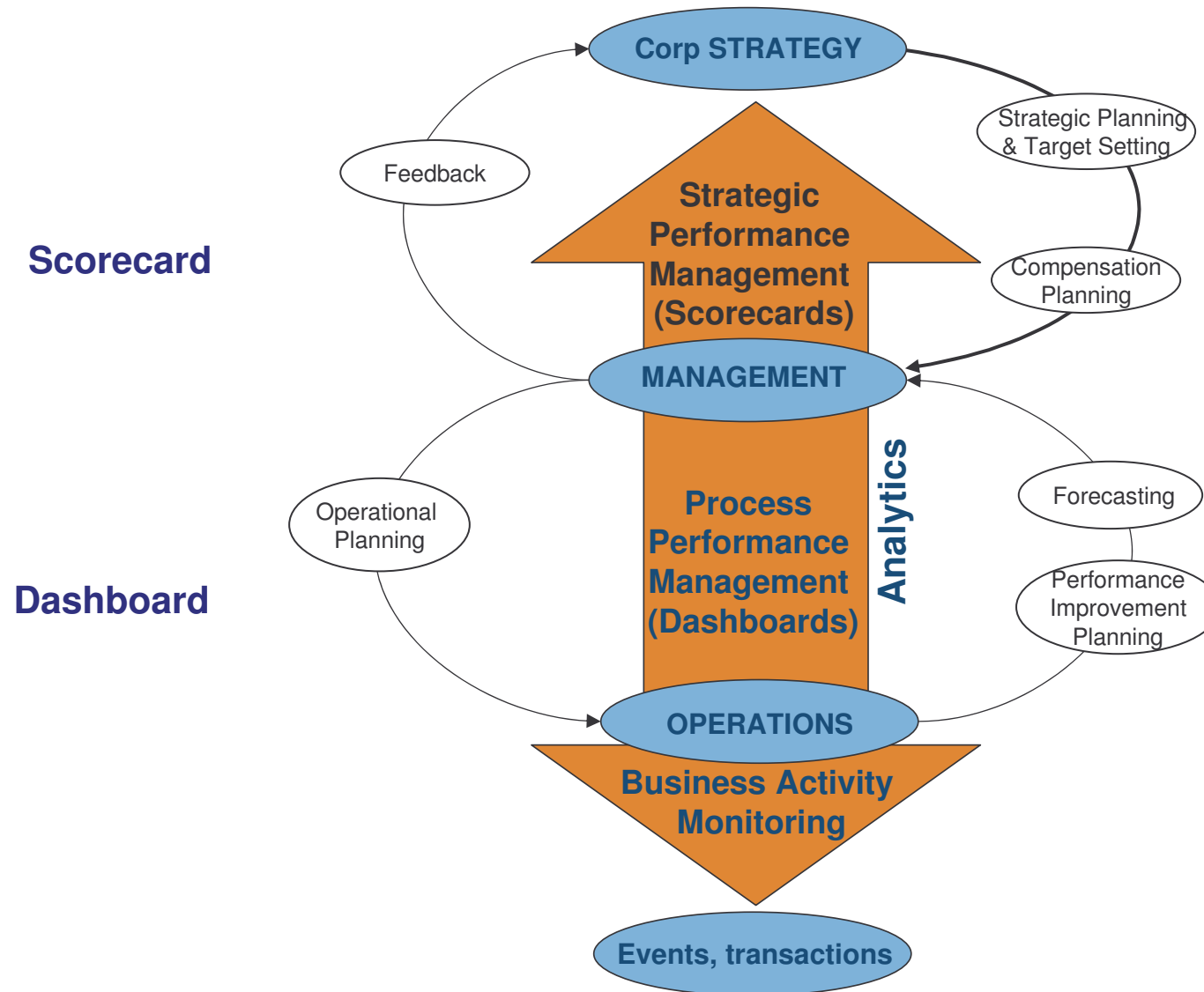
Built on a rich portfolio of analytics capabilities and IBM innovations implemented at clients world-wide



### **Accelerate** Time-to-value

Faster return-on-investment with short-term projects that support the long-term roadmap

# Dashboard vs Scorecard



## F1 Driver's Dashboard

Dashboards are used by business managers to take immediate actions to improve the day to day business performance. They have a short time horizon and are updated weekly/ daily. Dashboards typically use leading indicators and provide high drilldown capabilities.



## F1 Sponsor's Scorecard

Scorecards are used by executives to do cross functional monitoring of progress towards achieving business strategy. They have a long term horizon and are updated monthly/ quarterly. Scorecards typically use more lagging indicators and provide limited drilldown capabilities.



By Season	By Race
Season standings	Pole position
<b>Investment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Maintenance</li><li>- Capital Equipment</li><li>- Staff</li></ul>	Avg. lap speed

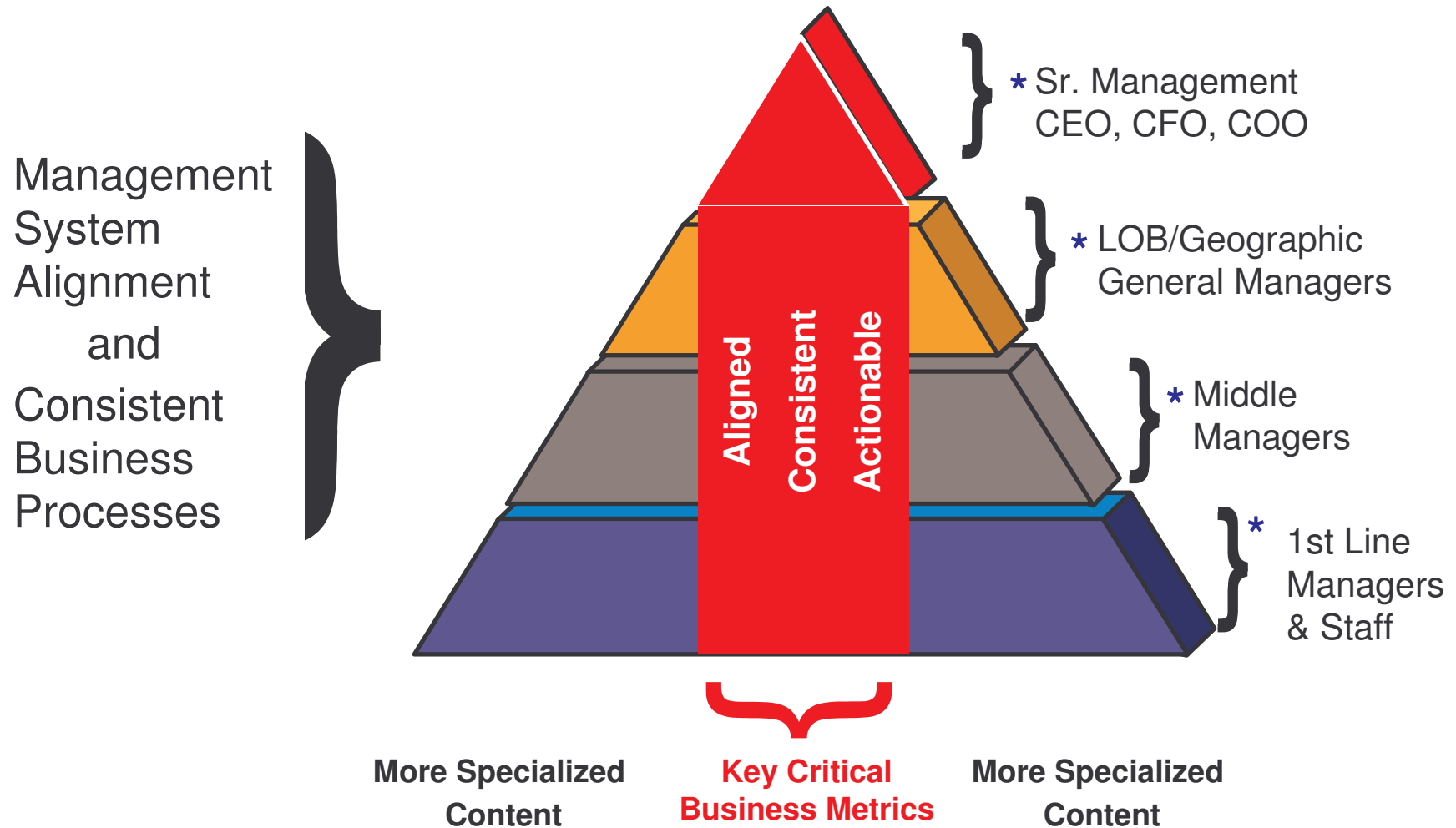




## Overview of Best Practices Dashboards

- Align each unit's critical information and metrics to their business processes and management system.
- "Aggregate-Up" critical information from lowest possible level
- Provide drill-down capability to identify issues and problems early in the business cycle and facilitate fast analysis and decision making.
- Implement an information management program to validate and maintain data accuracy, consistency, completeness and standards.
- Embedded workflow to help answer 'what do I do/who to call now?'
- Alerts and embedded analytics to allow management by exception, including "Traffic lighting" to highlight exceptions to targets or period-to-period performance issues

## Overview of Best Practices Alignment of Information

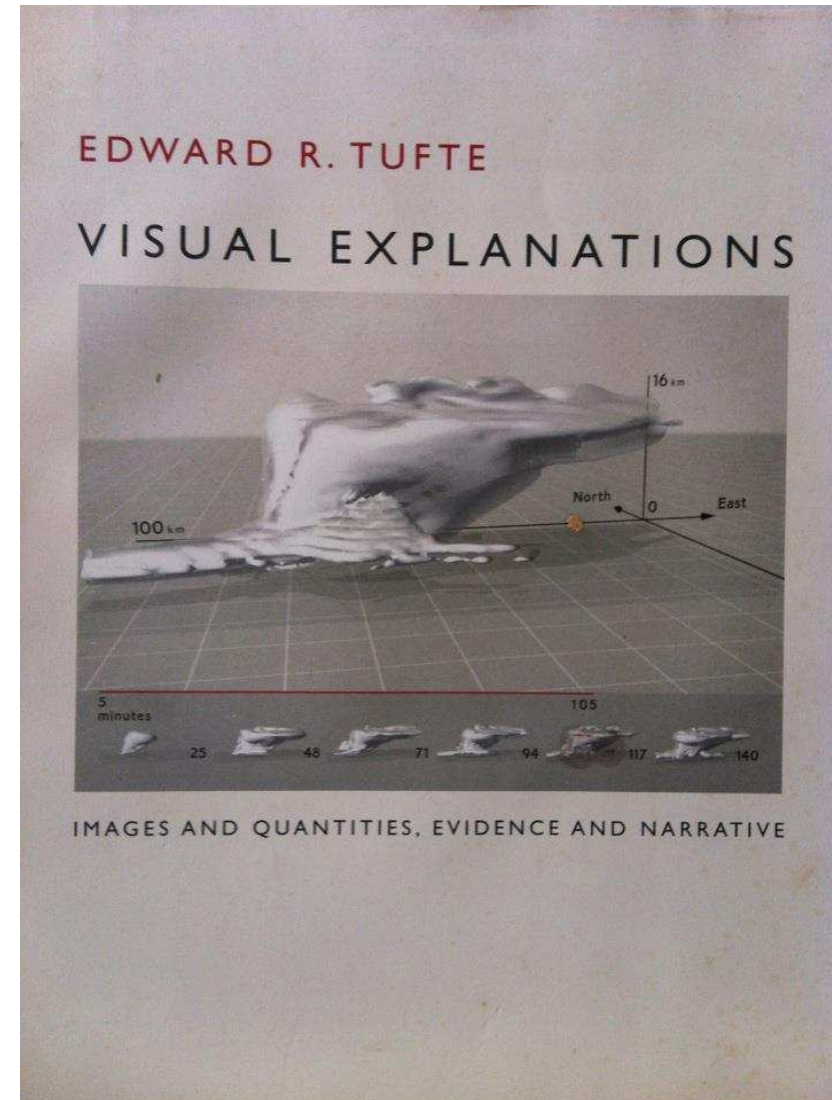


Synchronized Dashboards/Scorecards can now be created at each level.

# Excellence in Visualizing Dashboard KPI's

- “Good design brings absolute attention to data. Chartjunk indicates statistical stupidity, just as weak writing often reflects weak thought.”
- “Lack of visual clarity in arranging evidence is a sign of a lack of intellectual clarity in reasoning about evidence.”
- “Vacant, low density displays, the dreaded posterization of data spread over pages and pages, requires viewers to rely on visual memory -- a weak skill - - to make a contrast, a comparison, a choice. The more relevant information within eye span the better.”

**Edward Tufte, Visual Explanations**



# As the CFO role evolves, organizations **need to adopt new ways of working** to improve efficiency and performance

## Rear View

- What happened?
- How many, how often?



- Balance sheet, profit and loss, and cash flow statements
- Revenue and cost variance analysis

## Current View

- Where exactly is the problem?
- Why is this happening?
- What actions are needed?



- Customer, product and market profitability
- Spend optimization
- Working capital analysis
- Market, customer, & channel pricing
- Sales and supply chain effectiveness

## Forward-looking View

- What will happen next?
- What if these trends continue?
- What are the potential performance gaps?



- Cash forecasting
- Scenario-based planning and forecasting
- Strategic investment decision support
- Volatility and risk-based predictive and behavioral modeling

# IBM Smarter Analytics Signature Solution CFO performance insight



**Increase visibility, insight, and control over financial performance through predictive analytics**

## Solution overview

Measure, monitor, and anticipate business performance with pre-configured solution that:

- Uncovers temporal-causal relationships between performance metrics using predictive analytics
- Enables guided root-cause analysis and what-if analytics through executive style dashboard

## Solution benefits

- Generate timely, reliable answers to financial questions
- Enhance visualization of performance trends and gaps
- Improve operational efficiency and deliver trusted financial information

## Business outcomes

- University reduces financial modeling process by 25 percent
- Finance company improves reporting efficiency by 70 percent

# CFO Performance Insight drives finance transformation by helping executives to anticipate and answer critical questions



How are we performing as an organization?



What is driving our results?



How do we know we are spending our budget wisely?



What is the impact of changes in our key metrics?



How can we trace a performance issue to its root cause?

## CFO Performance Insight

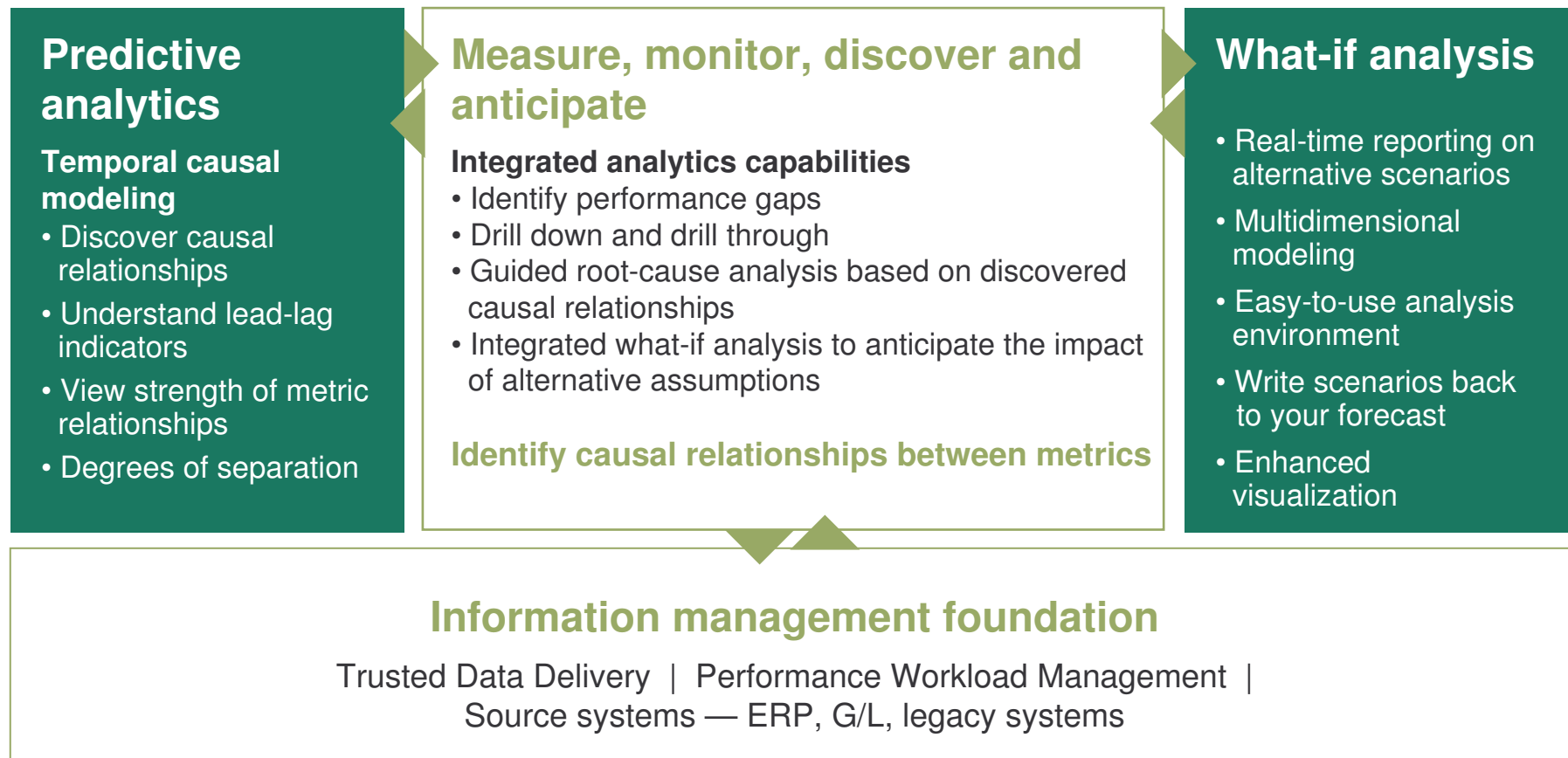
- Measure and monitor financial and operational performance
- Anticipate performance gaps, understand root cause and assess alternatives
- Drive profit and revenue growth through the strategic application of analytics
- Deliver better business insight on a stronger foundation of trusted information



# IBM Smarter Analytics Signature Solution CFO performance insight



## How it works





## Discover relationships between performance indicators, achieve new insights, and drive more effective decision making



Provide insight into interactions among business metrics using advanced analytics algorithms



### **Temporal causal modeling leverages predictive analytics to answer key questions:**

- What metrics have the most impact on my performance?
- How do these metrics interact with each other?
- How will my performance change when I control certain factors?
- How can I achieve my future target performance?
- How can I visualize and interpret the relationships between metrics?

# Analytics is expanding from enterprise data to big data

## Volume

**12** terabytes  
of Tweets created daily

Analyze product sentiment

## Velocity

**5** million  
trade events per second

Identify potential fraud

## Variety

**100's** video feeds  
from surveillance cameras

Monitor events of interest

**350** billion  
meter readings per annum

Predict power consumption

**500** million  
call detail records per day

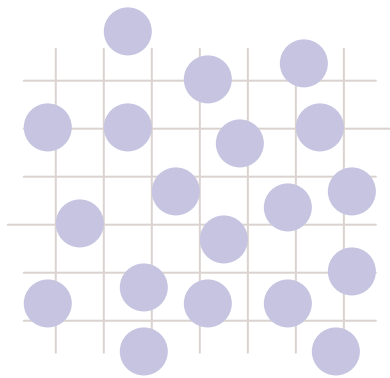
Prevent customer churn

**80%** data growth  
are images, video, documents...

Improve customer satisfaction

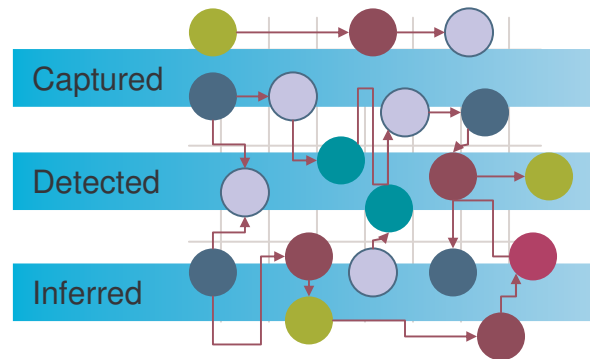
# Business Analytics & Optimization (BAO) increases the organization's level of analytical sophistication and enables breakaway capability

*Analytics Sophistication* →

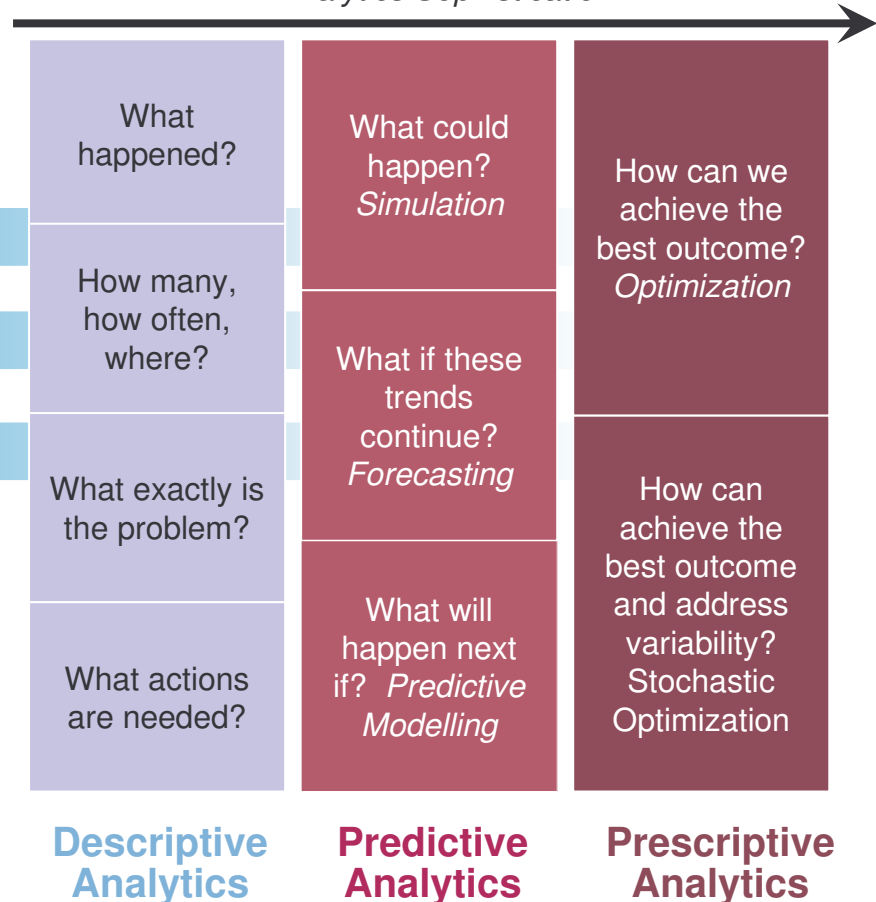


Use **structured** and **unstructured** data

- Numeric
- Text
- Image
- Audio
- Video



Made consumable and accessible to **everyone**, **optimized** for their specific purpose, at the point of impact, to deliver **better decisions and actions** through:



# A strong framework of actuals, targets and forecasts helps anticipate performance gaps

Company Logo

Link to ERP Web Interface

Report List

Financial reports

"What if" analysis

Measuring Period:  Measuring Currency:

Financial Management						
	2011 - YTD		2011 - Full Year			Trending
	Actual	Target	Budget	Forecast	Variance	
EBITDA	\$1,885,076	\$1,767,815	\$10,789,549	\$9,775,752	-9%	More
Net Income	\$1,507,032	\$1,458,293	\$8,907,214	\$7,574,591	-15%	More
ROIC	36%	40%	55%	63%	8%	More
Operating Profit (% of sales)	52%	51%	51%	49%	-2%	More

Operational Revenue Management						
	2011 - YTD		2011 - Full Year			Trending
	Actual	Target	Budget	Forecast	Variance	
Gross Sales	\$3,535,224	\$3,337,824	\$20,253,145	\$19,238,694	-5%	More
Avg. Sales Value/Unit	\$5,292	\$4,274	\$4,302	\$5,007	16%	More
Market/Selling Price Realization	86%	74%	75%	76%	1%	More

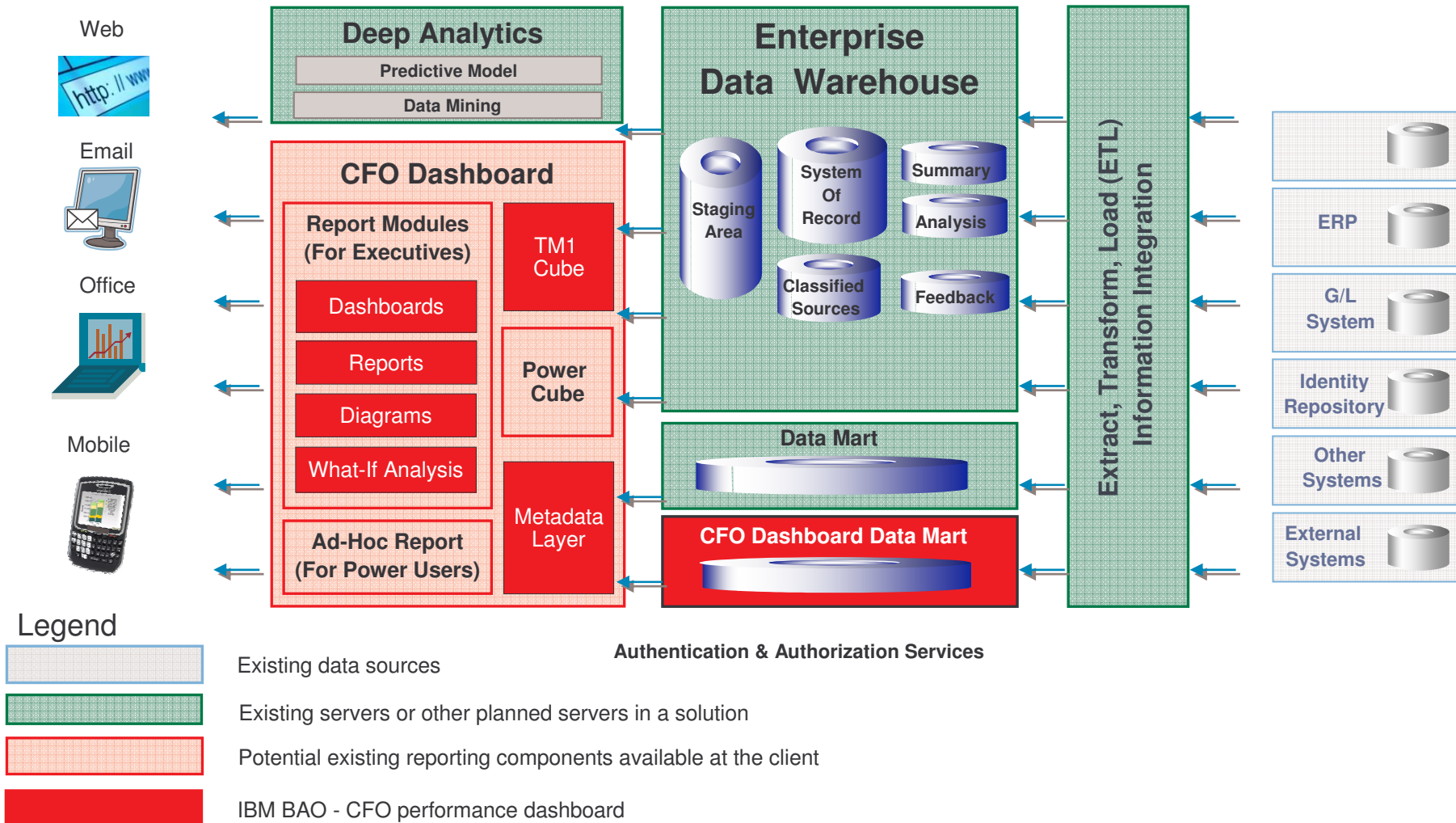
  

Operational Expense Management						
	2011 - YTD		2011 - Full Year			Trending
	Actual	Target	Budget	Forecast	Variance	
SG&A%	11%	10%	10%	14%	3%	More
Gross Margin%	71%	71%	71%	72%	1%	More
Material Cost%	15%	15%	15%	13%	-2%	More
Distribution Cost%	3%	4%	4%	3%	-1%	More

Capital Management						
	2011 - YTD		2011 - Full Year			Trending
	Actual	Target	Budget	Forecast	Variance	
Capital Efficiency	\$42	\$35	\$32	\$32	3%	More
Cashflow	\$2,173,232	\$1,428,736	\$10,194,165	\$9,260,314	-9%	More
Days Sales Outstanding	52.2	41.4	37.8	43.4	15%	More
Days Payable	10.0	5.4	9.8	11.5	18%	More
Days in Inventory	12.1	12.3	12.0	10.4	-13%	More

# IBM BAO - CFO performance dashboard solution architecture



## Legend

- Existing data sources
- Existing servers or other planned servers in a solution
- Potential existing reporting components available at the client
- IBM BAO - CFO performance dashboard

## A pre-configured solution

*Built on IBM Cognos BI v10.1 (v8.4), IBM Cognos TM1 and IBM Cognos Metric Server that leverages all ledger, transaction applications and data sources to report on financial KPIs, access financial reports and perform what-if analysis in an executive dashboard format.*

- Transforms data into business insight** through an executive dashboard with visually rich information, reports, and analytical tools
- Generates **timely, reliable answers** to crucial financial questions through a centralized, web-based, executive portal-styled dashboard
- Improves decision-making** and enhances strategic planning capabilities
- Offers “drill down” and “drill through”** capabilities to create deeper insight
- Enables users to perform “what if” analysis** and easily see the impact on business forecasts, detailed reports, and the dashboard itself
- Provides capability to use **value driver analysis** to quickly uncover root causes of performance gaps
- Offers **self-service capability**, to reduce dependence on IT

### Result

**Increased visibility, insight and control over the levers of performance**

# CFO Performance Insight unlocks new business value

## Benefits

User-friendly, self-service reporting interface; allows financial analysts to focus on strategic analysis instead of manual data manipulation

Enables end-user run-time analysis in addition to pre-built reports in both relational and multi-dimensional environment

Ability to utilize executive dashboard reporting

Improves decision-making and increases strategic planning capabilities

Scalable to a single, complete platform for Performance Management

## Features

Drill-downs and drill-through with graphic displays and Ad-hoc querying capability to create deeper insight

Enables users to perform “what if” analysis and post analysis back to main portal page and detailed reports also utilizing slicing, dicing and dynamic querying

Executive Dashboard style reporting for Chief Financial Officers, Controllers and other Accounting Personnel

Users can use the value drivers to quickly uncover key organizational pain points utilizing slicing, dicing, dynamic querying and integrated what-if analysis

IBM Business Analytics software provides complete capabilities for reporting, analysis, planning and consolidation on an integrated platform



# Why IBM Smarter Analytics is **unparalleled in the industry**



## **Broad and integrated portfolio of information and analytics capabilities**

Enterprise-class  
Big Data Platform

Comprehensive analytic  
capabilities

Decision Management  
solutions



## **Proven experience accelerating time-to-value and delivering breakaway results**

20,000+ analytics-driven  
client engagements

9,000+ consultants

Analytic Solutions Centers



## **Advanced technology and expertise applying innovation to real world problems**

IBM Watson

World's largest math department  
in private industry

600+ analytics patents  
per year

# IBM Smarter Analytics Signature Solutions

Industry expertise and state of the art analytics applied to real world problems

**How can I increase customer loyalty with every interaction?**

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## Customer

Next Best Action



**How can I anticipate the impact of financial decisions?**

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## Finance

CFO Performance Insight



**How can I minimize losses stemming from fraud?**

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## Fraud

Anti-Fraud, Waste and Abuse



# IBM Smarter Analytics Signature Solution CFO Performance Insight

## IBM services

- Performance Management Diagnostic
- CFO Dashboard asset implementation
- CFO Performance Insight solution design & implementation

## IBM software

- IBM Cognos BI
- IBM Cognos TM1
- IBM SPSS Modeler
- IBM InfoSphere Information Server

## IBM research

- Predictive analytics algorithms and techniques
- First of a Kind combined client/Research projects
- Advanced industry-specific optimization enhancements

## Client value

- Accelerate time-to-value through repeatable solutions
- Measure and monitor financial and operational business performance
- Anticipate performance gaps, understand root cause and assess alternatives
- Outcome-based approach that drives business value at each step in the journey

**IBM Systems and Technology**

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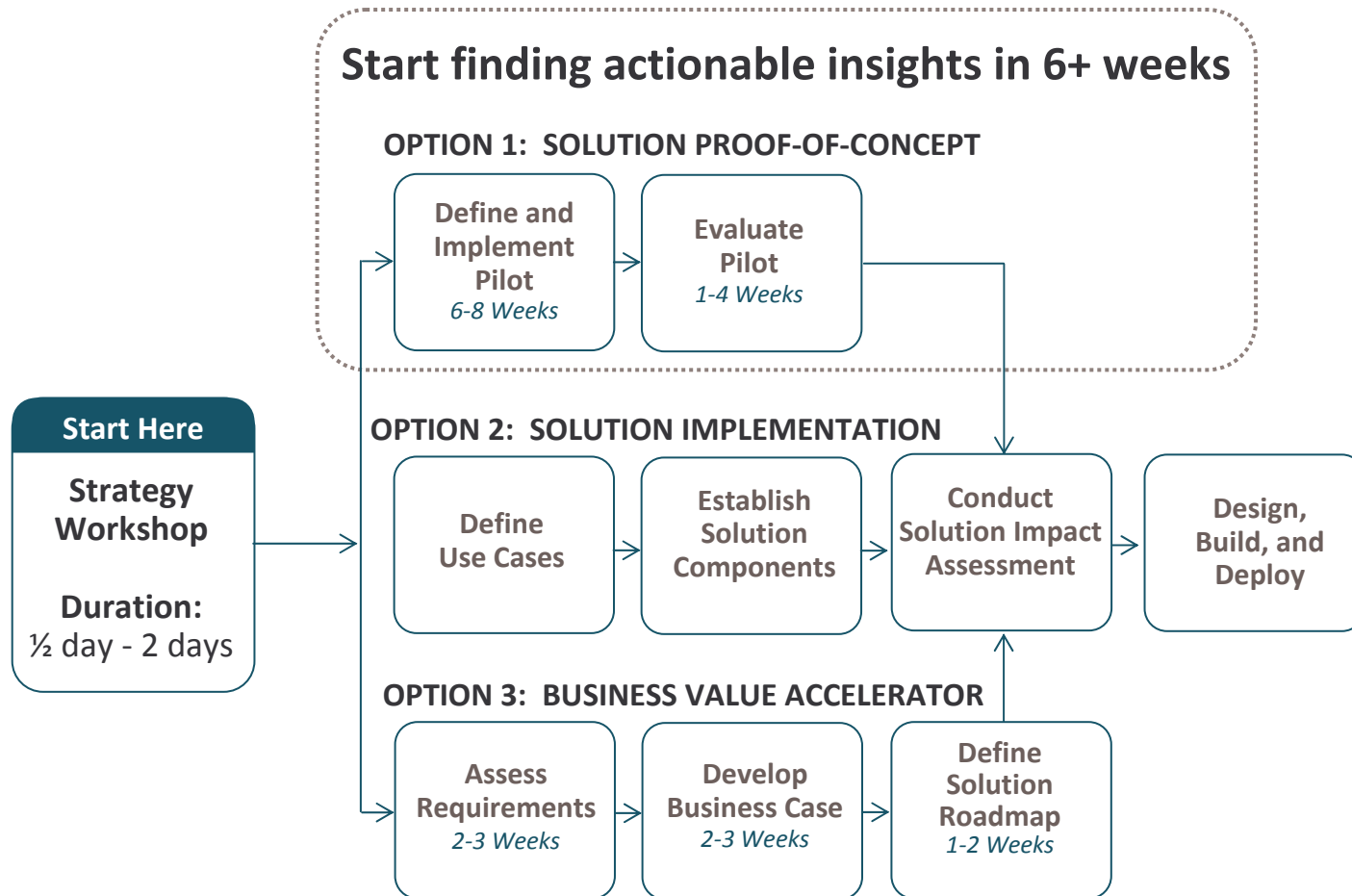
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# Getting started with IBM Smarter Analytics Signature Solutions

## There are three paths to value based on your needs



## IBM BAO - CFO performance dashboard solution summary

- Analyze performance with clarity and precision
- Find answers at the right level of detail
- Create what-if scenarios
- Meet the information needs of all users
- Share a single, reliable version of the truth
- Make the business more agile
- Reduce dependencies on specific set of technologies



# A smarter planet is built on Smarter Analytics

Delivering Stronger Business Insight Through  
a CFO Dashboard





# Thank you