



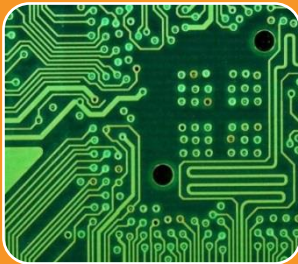
The Drive for Visibility

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Visibility Lexicon



Visibility

- Strategy & Mindset
- The framework for digital connections



Transparency

- “Showing”
- Building Trust



Traceability

- Tracking
- Sourcing → Production → Distribution

Influences Shaping Visibility



The New Supply Chain



Convergence of physical and digital

Unprecedented complexity and volatility

Growth partner

Consumer First: Transparency



The Technology Imperative

“Rapidly shifting digital business models mean CSCOs must keep a hand in the technology game to be relevant.”

Source: Gartner (June 2015)



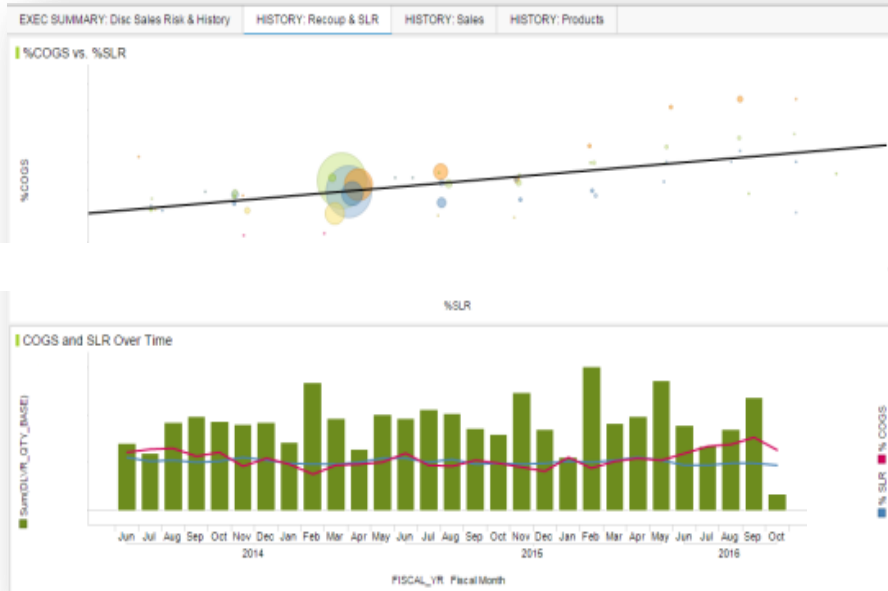
The Visibility Opportunity



“Creating Windows where there are Walls”



Use Case #1: Age Risked Inventory Mgmt

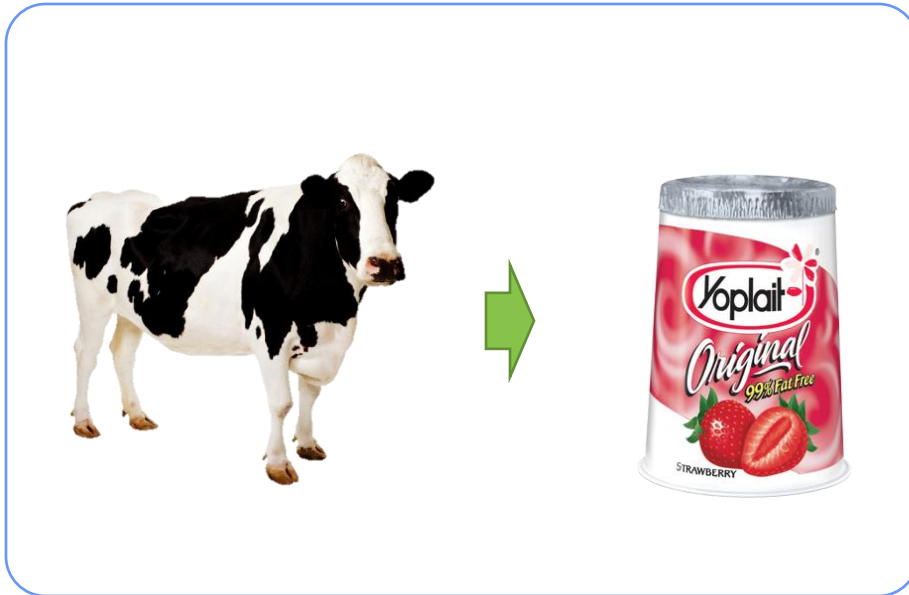


- ✓ Removed a core barrier by making the data accessible
- ✓ Visualization made insights actionable
- ✓ Result: Significant incremental profit
- ⚠ Sustainability of improvements at risk without clear E2E ownership

Connected data at the right place and right time will enable faster and better decisions.

**Visibility changes the way we work
process change & ownership + data acumen**

Use Case #2: Yoplait Cow to Cup



Problem: Tell the story of “Where does my Yoplait come from?” through Cow to Cup traceability

True cup-level traceability near-impossible

Abundant internal information already existed to tell the appropriate story, without live Traceability

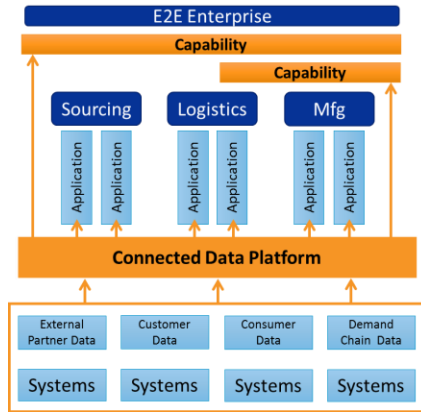
Transparency ≠ Traceability
Transparency for each brand is different

Business teams need ways to **access** and **prioritize information** to share

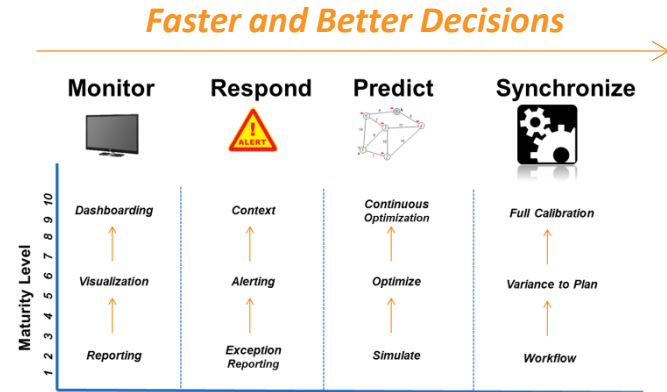
Key Learnings



Connected data is critical *Data Centralization & Integration*



Capabilities to Drive Insight & Action *Interchanges, ERP enhancements, Work Flow*



Visibility Changes the Way We Work *Mindset, Skillsets, Process, Org*

- Connected processes need clear E2E ownership
- Data-driven actions vs. bias-driven actions
- New skillsets & data acumen
- Prioritizing E2E solutions instead of targeted/functional capabilities and value

Respect & balance the benefits *Cost Savings, Risk Mitigation, Brand Trust*

