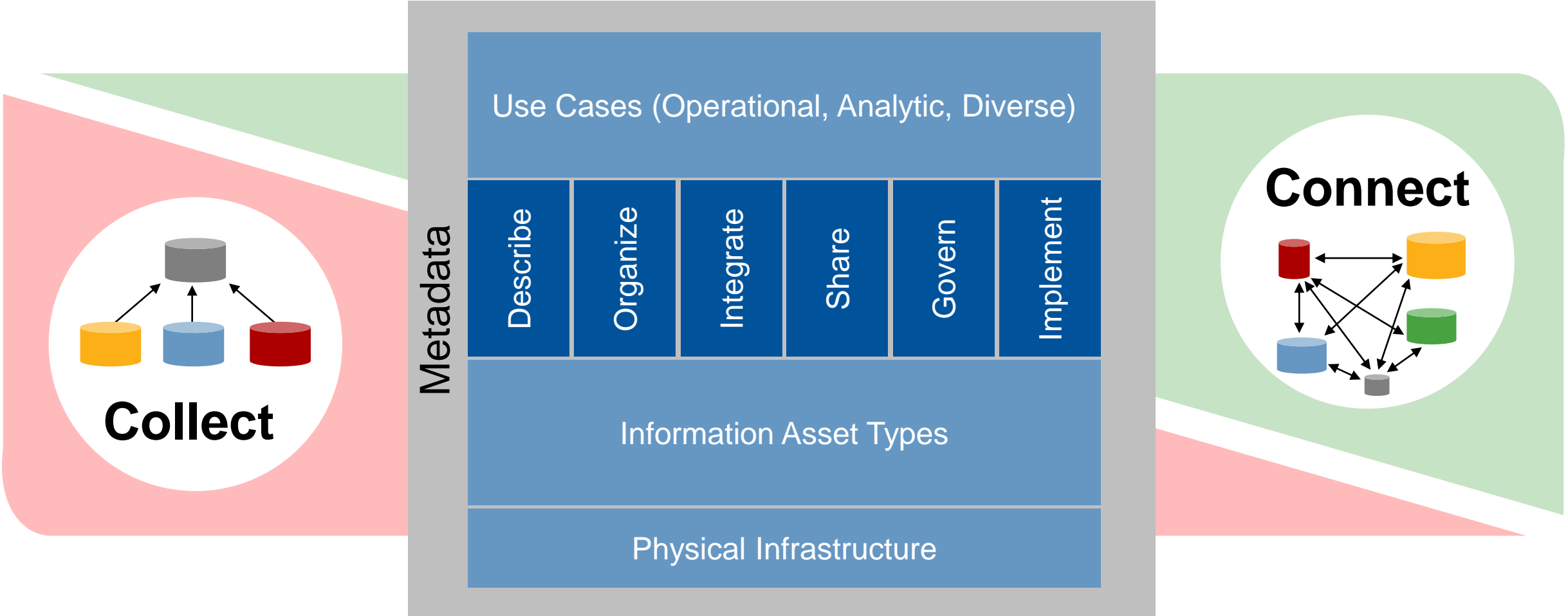


Data Hubs, Lakes and Warehouses: Choosing the Core of Your Digital Platform

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When to Collect — And Where? When to Connect — And How?



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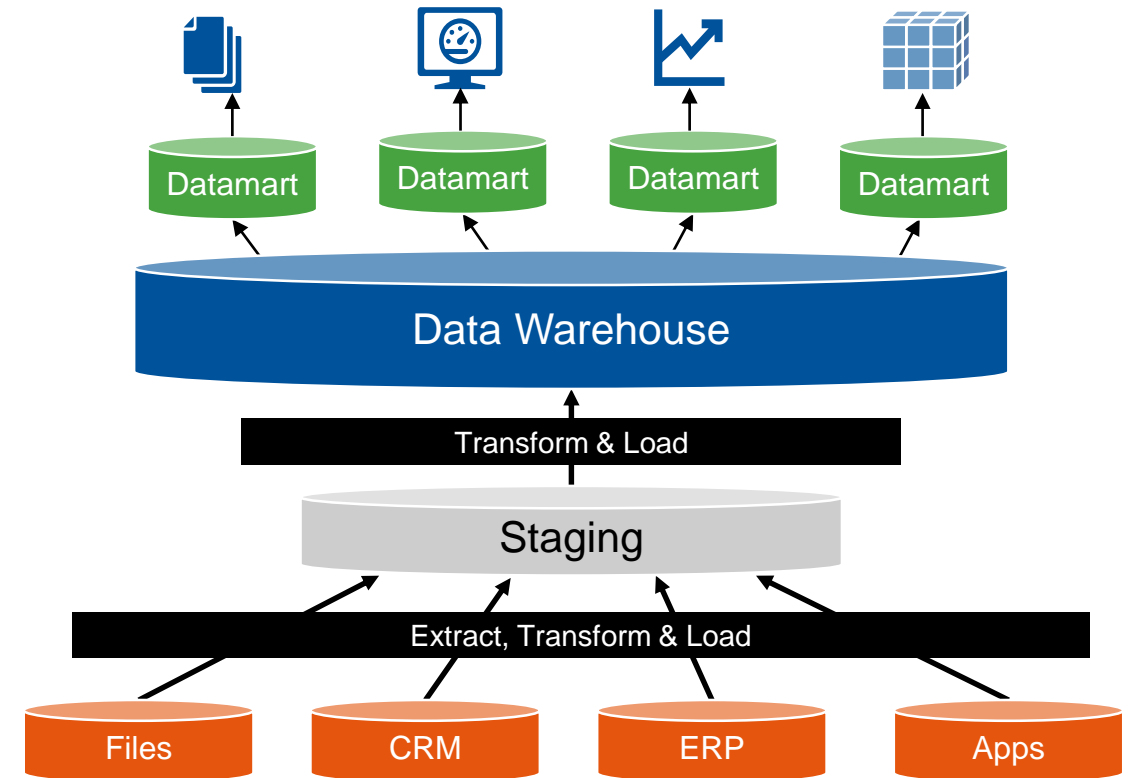
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The Data Warehouse, Circa 1995

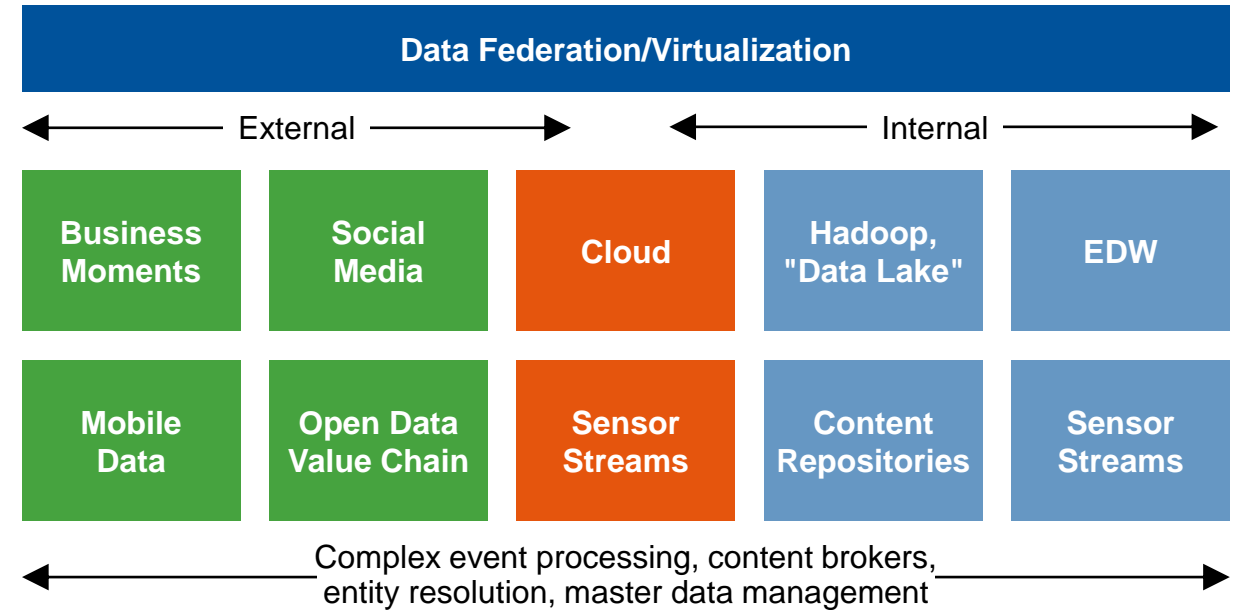
- Provides 80% of analytics with 20% of the data
- Optimized for repeatable processes
- Supports hundreds of enterprise consumers



How can we ask enterprisewide questions requiring historical perspective?

Workload and Data Expansion With the Logical Data Warehouse

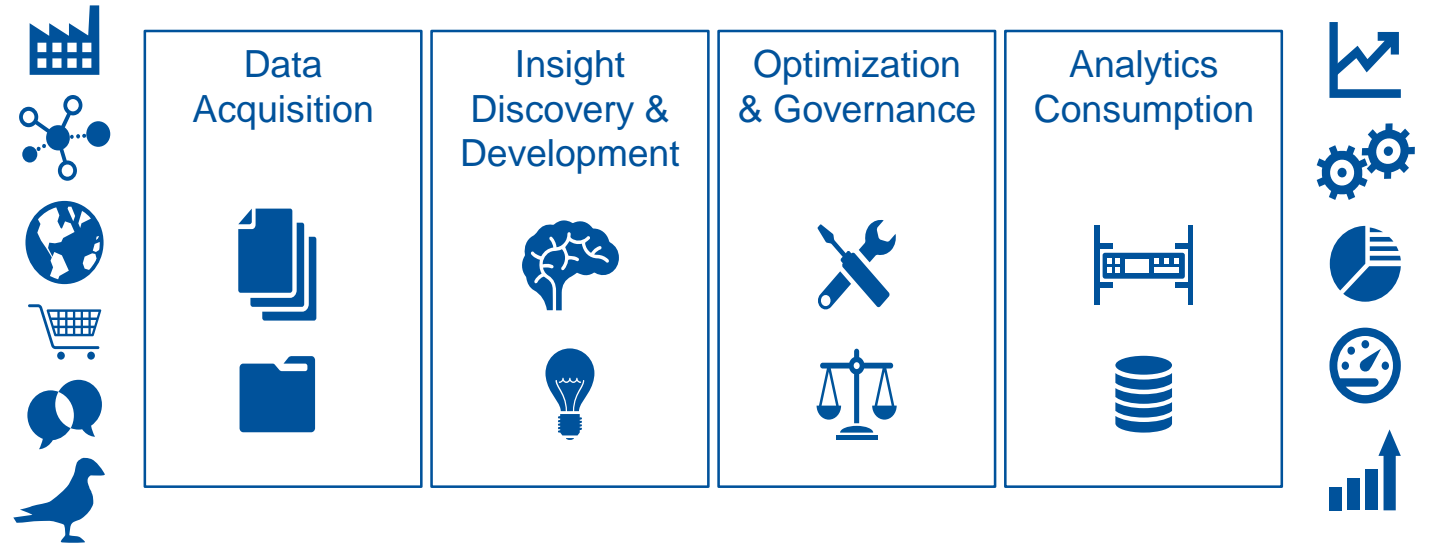
- Need to support the remaining 20% of analytics
- Diverse users with diverse skills and tools



How can we expand our analysis to more data types for different contexts of analysis?

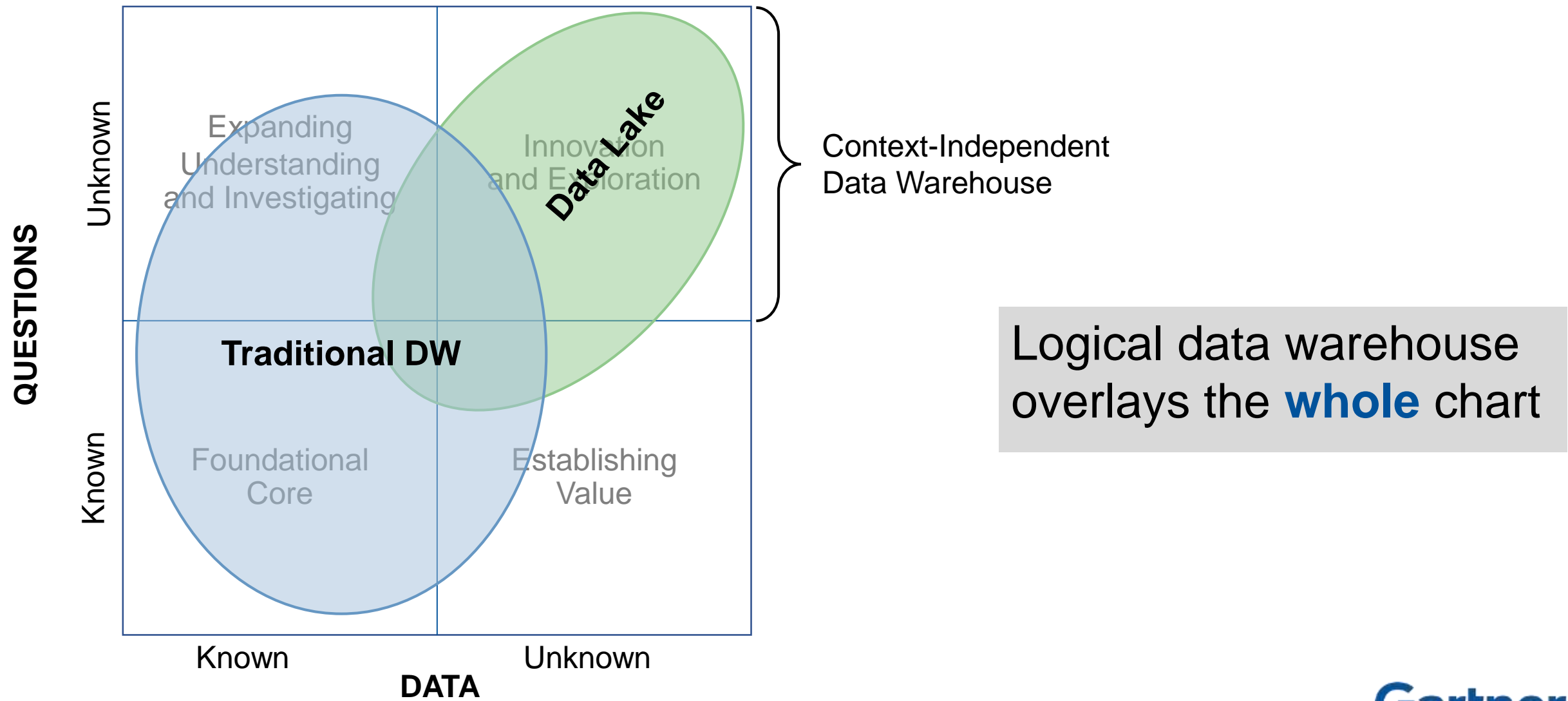
Data Lakes for Analytics Discovery

- Outgrowth of the DW staging area
- Stores raw data for exploration, analysis
- Optimization still required for broad consumption



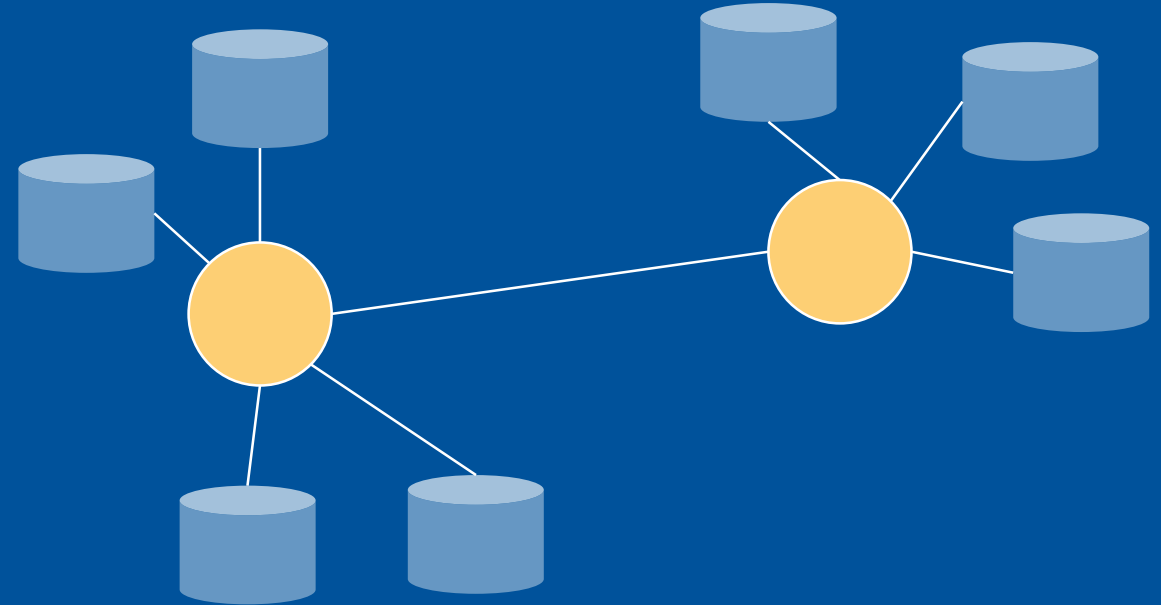
How can we figure out what we don't know?

How Do Lakes and Warehouses Relate?



Data Hubs for Semantic Mediation and Integration

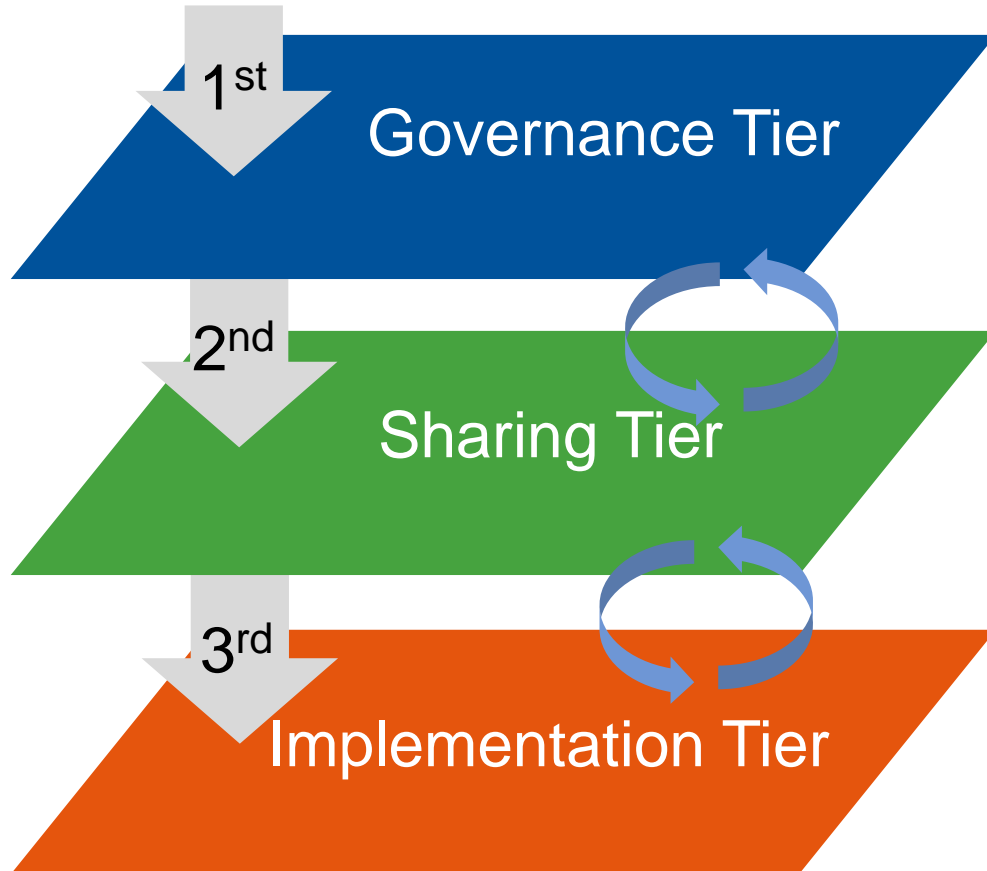
- Use cases:
 - Mediation and sharing of datasets
 - Distributed governance/policy enforcement
 - Operationally focused



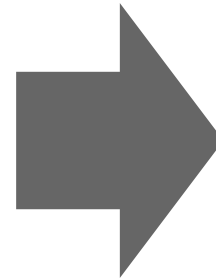
Determines effective mediation of semantics, and efficient data integration strategies, across applications, IoT networks, enterprises and ecosystems

The Elements of a Data Hub Strategy

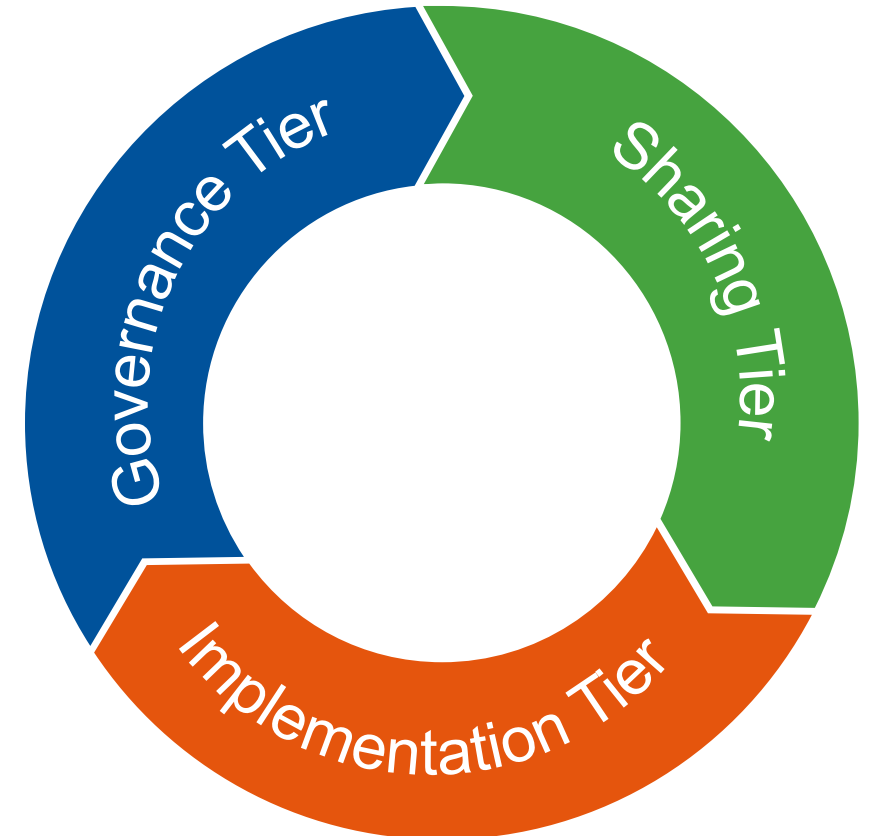
Work Down From Top



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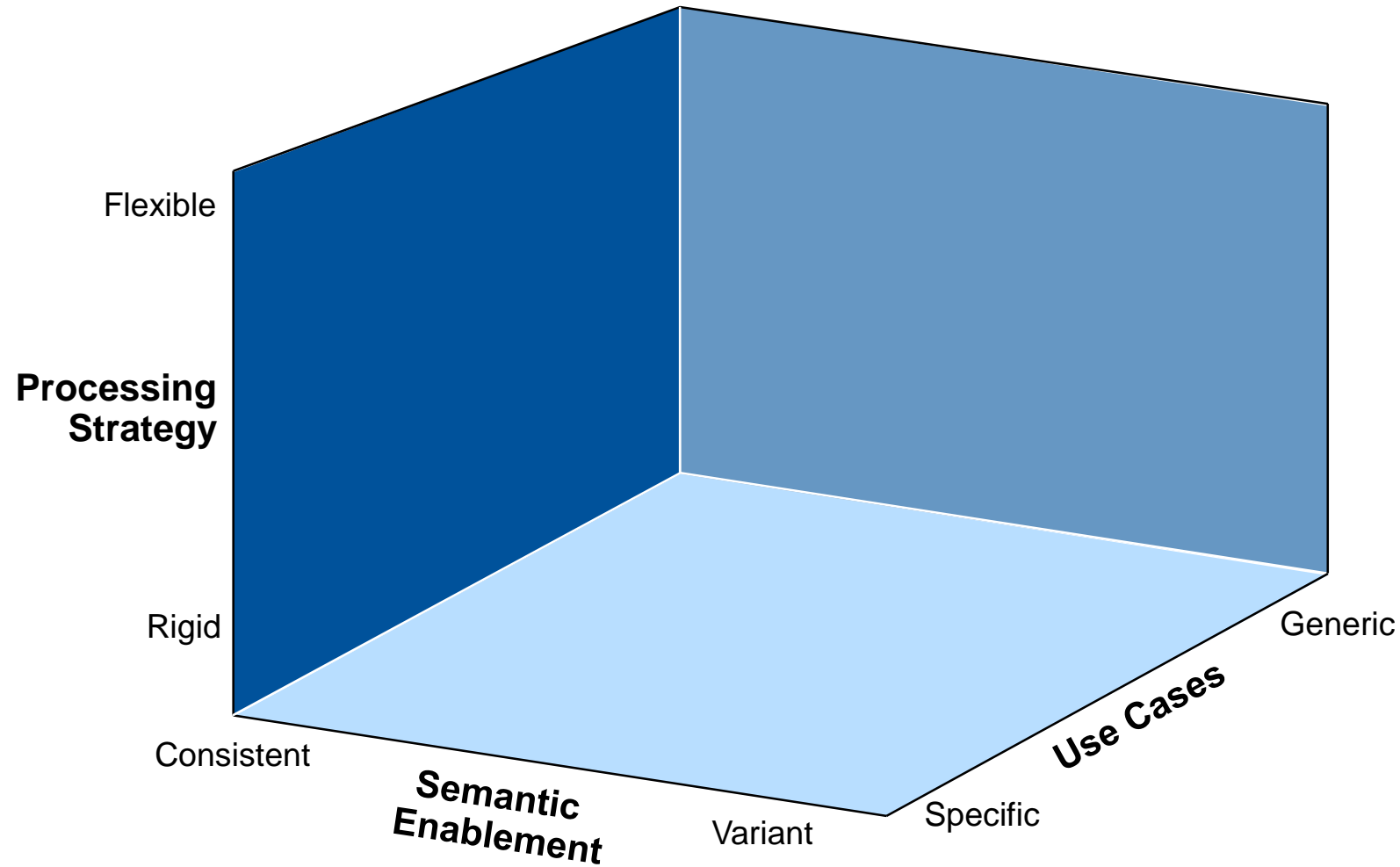
Iterate



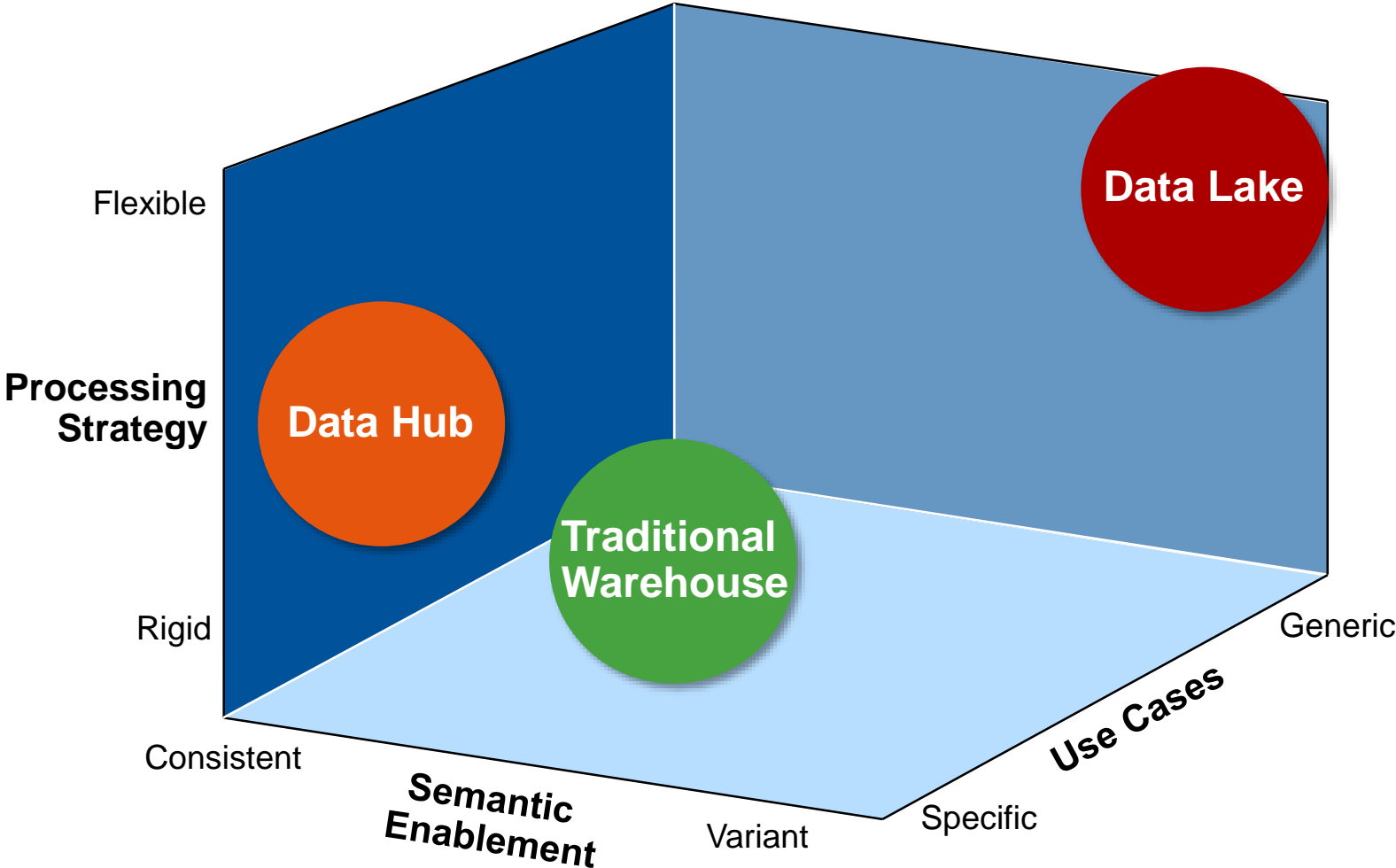
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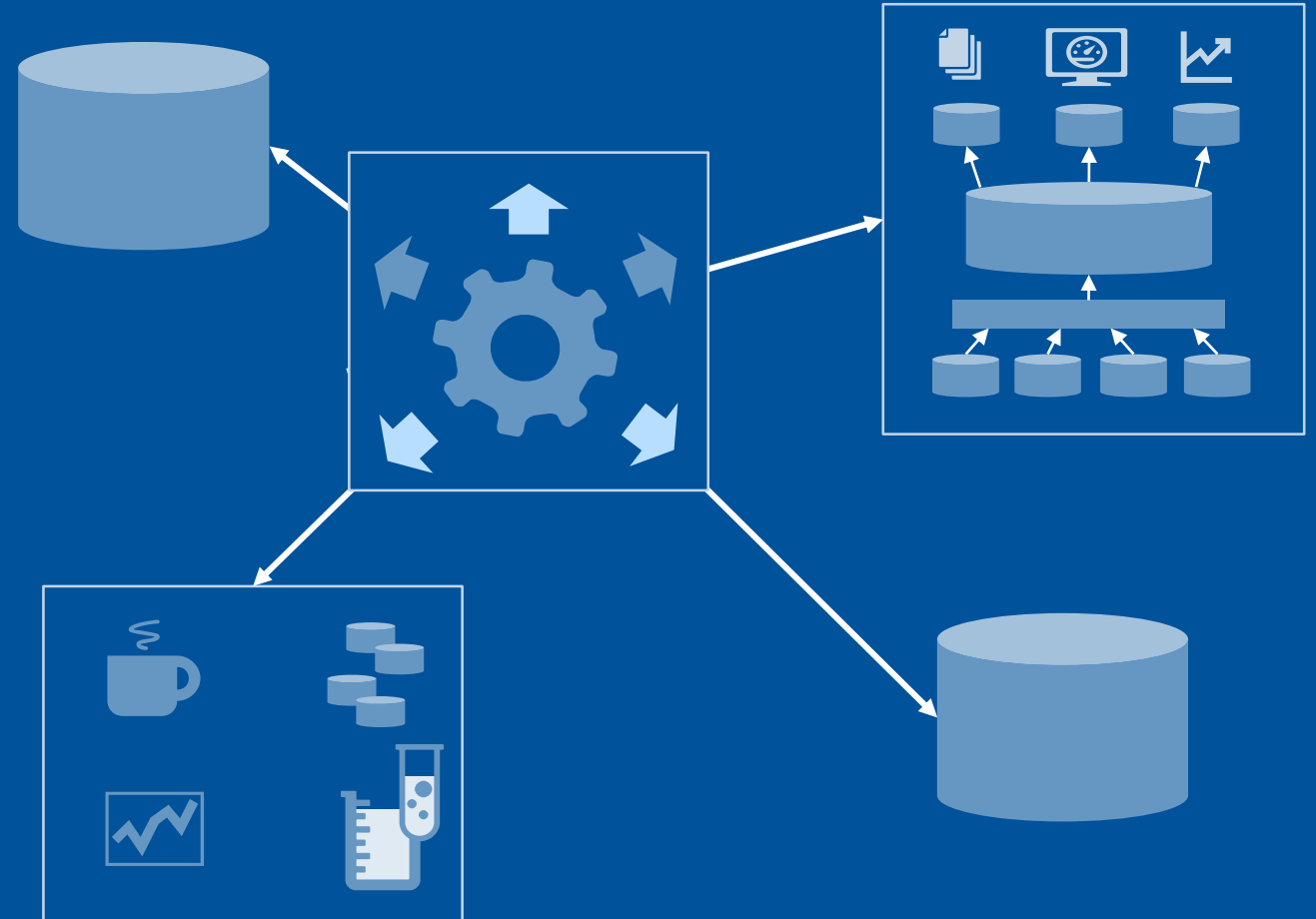
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Hubs, Lakes and Warehouses Aren't Exclusive Choices

Hub-centric strategy:

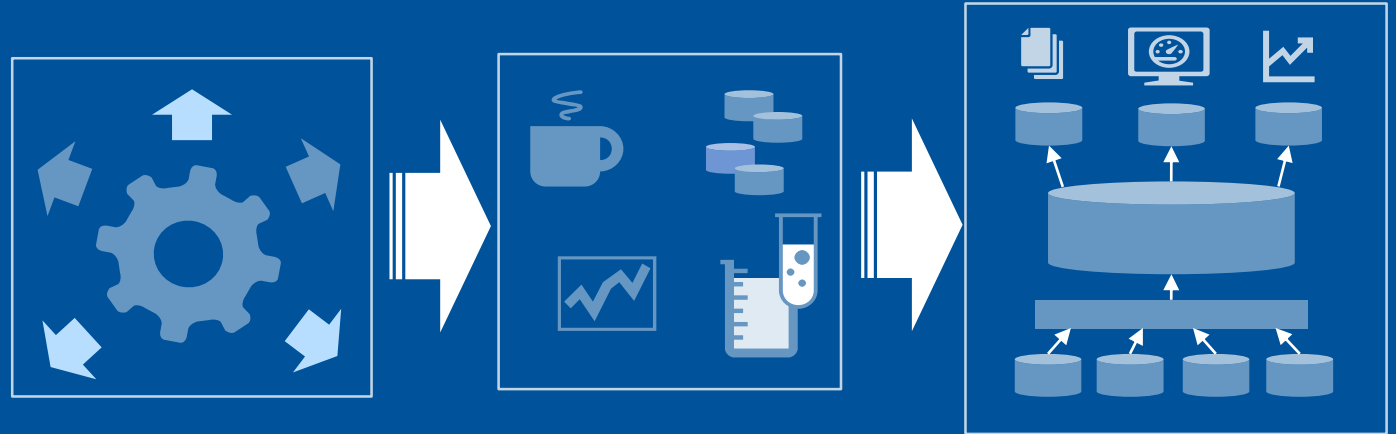
- Link, share and govern diverse datasets for operational use cases
- While uncommon, lakes and warehouses can be data sources for hubs



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Collect-centric analytics strategy:

- Support discovery, self-service and optimized analytics delivery
- Enables the broadest range of analytics producers and consumers



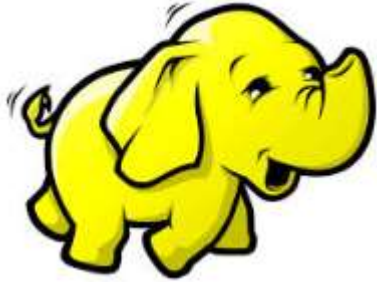
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Data Warehousing Choices Proliferate

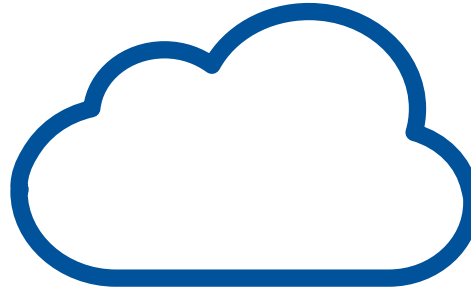
- Continued adoption of cloud offerings:
 - Alibaba Cloud, Amazon Web Services, Google Cloud Platform, IBM, Microsoft, Oracle, Qubole, Snowflake
- Hybrid data warehousing becoming viable as incumbents lead shift:
 - IBM, Micro Focus, Microsoft, Oracle, Teradata
- Insurgent vendors filling specialized roles:
 - Cloudera, Hortonworks, MapR Technologies, MarkLogic, MemSQL, Neo4j, Treasure Data

Data Lake Implementation Technologies



Hadoop distributions:

- Simplified data ingestion and storage with several processing options
- Data lake management ecosystem emerging
- Complex deployment and management



Cloud-based block and object stores:

- Simplified data ingestion and storage
- Bring your own processing
- Nascent management and security ecosystem



Database management systems:

- Optimal for certain data types and formats
- Data processing options expanding beyond SQL
- Scaling and cost may be challenges

Strategic Planning Assumption

By 2020, 30% of data lakes will be built on standard relational technology at equal or lower cost than Hadoop.

Why It Will Happen:

- RDBMSs are the enterprise standard and the ecosystem is very mature
- Application performance is superior
- Most RDBMSs support nonrelational data in multiple formats, and can support a schema-on-read approach
- Not all "native format" data is nonrelational
- Most data going into data lakes is relational, from operational systems
- RDBMSs are not more expensive

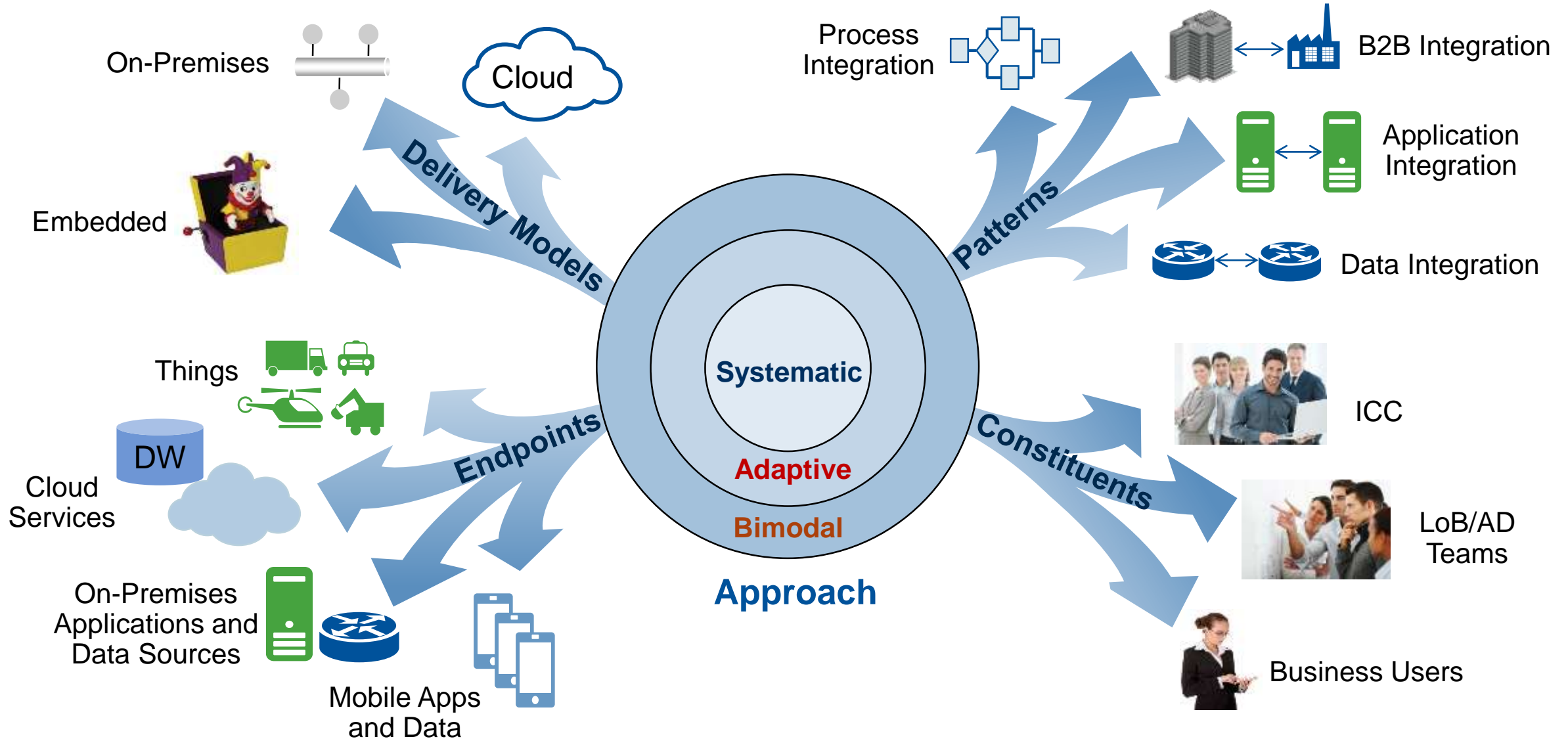
Why It Won't Happen:

- Rapid ingest of data into schema-on-read platforms is easier than conforming to a relational model
- Increasing demand for analysis of nonrelational data that does not fit easily (or efficiently) into an RDBMS
- Cloud object stores replace HDFS

Data Hub Technologies and Tools

- Data integrations tools (ETL, replication, data virtualization).
- Application integration middleware (ESB, MOM, iPaaS, API mgmt.).
- Persistence technologies (DBMS, Hadoop, cloud-based data stores).
- Governance (data quality tools, data privacy tech., MDM solutions).
- Metadata management platforms.
- All the above, packaged as a "hub product"?

Integration in Digital Business Must Be "Hybrid" in Many Dimensions



Linking the Warehouse, Lake and Hub: Diverse Vendor Landscape for Integration Technology

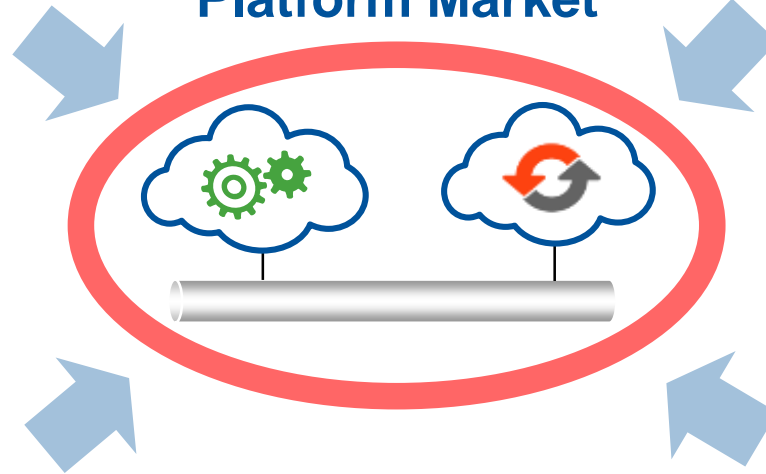
On-Premises Application/Data Integration Providers

- Actian
- Adeptia
- Axway
- Cisco
- Denodo
- Fiorano
- Fujitsu
- IBM
- Informatica
- Information Builders
- Infor
- InterSystems
- Magic Software
- Microsoft
- MuleSoft
- Oracle
- Red Hat
- SAP
- SAS
- Scribe Software
- Syncsort
- Talend
- TIBCO Software
- SEEBURGER
- Software AG
- WSO2

Embedded Integration

- iBPM suites
- IoT platforms
- Mobile app development platforms/mBaaS
- Packaged applications/SaaS
- Self-service data preparation tools
- Others

Hybrid Integration Platform Market



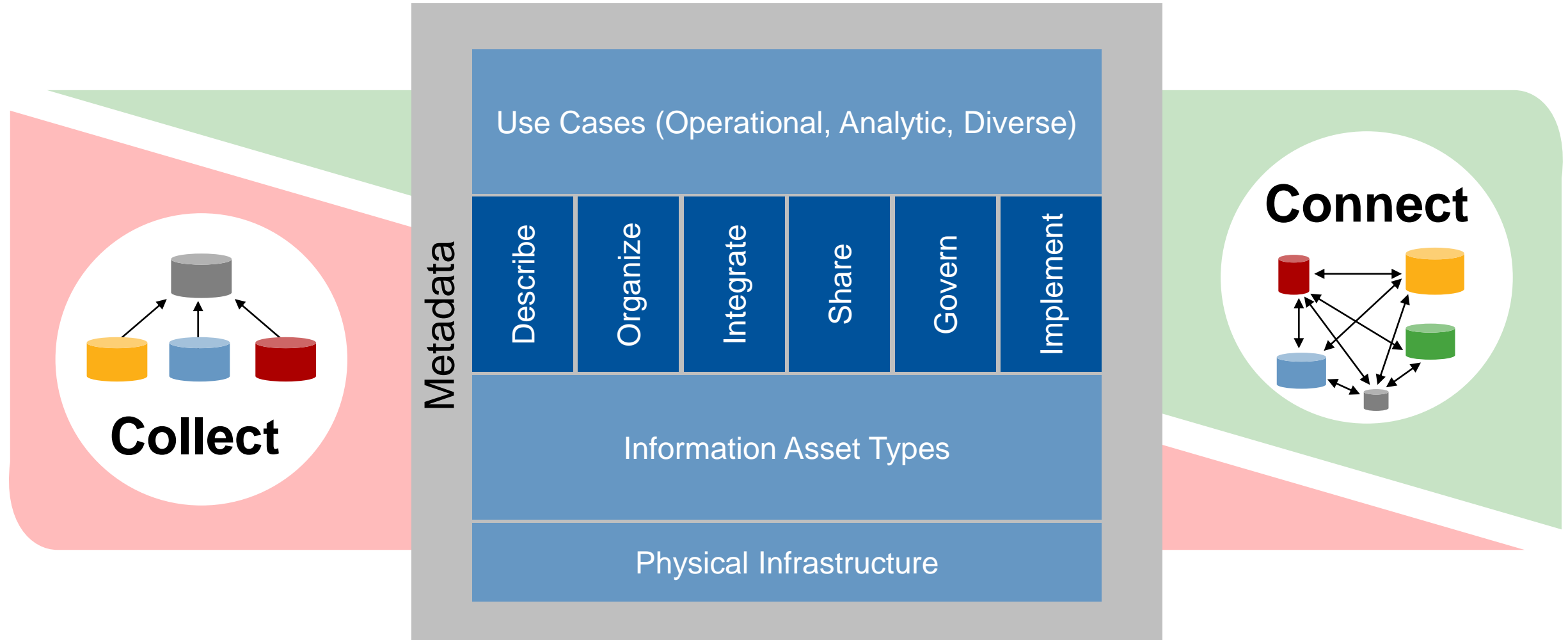
iPaaS Providers

- Adaptris
- Attunity
- Celigo
- Cloud Elements
- Dell Boomi
- DBSync
- Flowgear
- Fujitsu
- IBM
- Informatica
- Infor
- Jitterbit
- Microsoft
- Moskitos
- MuleSoft
- Oracle
- SAP
- Scribe Software
- SnapLogic
- Talend
- TerraSky
- Youredi

iSaaS Providers

- Actian
- Adeptia
- Azuqua
- bip.io
- cloudHQ
- Cirruspath
- elastic.io
- IFTTT
- itDuzzit
- MuleSoft
- Nubera (CloudWork)
- OneSaas
- SnapLogic
- TIBCO Software
- Wappwolf
- We Wired Web
- Zapier

Apply the Right Combination of Lakes, Warehouses and Hubs to Best Enable Data Sharing and Analytics



Recommendations

- ✓ Build the core of your digital platform based on the types of use cases, processing flexibility and semantic enablement your users require.
- ✓ Apply the data hub architecture to better balance the ability to collect data with connecting data producers and consumers as needed.
- ✓ Use data lakes for analytics exploration and data warehouses for optimization and broad consumption.
- ✓ Prepare for continuous platform evolution as business needs change.

Recommended Gartner Research

- ▶ [Use a Data Hub Strategy to Meet Your Data and Analytics Governance and Sharing Requirements](#)
Andrew White and Ted Friedman (G00295309)
- ▶ [Implementing the Data Hub: Architecture and Technology Choices](#)
Ted Friedman and Andrew White (G00297674)
- ▶ [Best Practices for Designing Your Data Lake](#)
Nick Heudecker (G00315546)
- ▶ [Data Management Solutions for Analytics: Current and Future States, 2017](#)
Rick Greenwald and Adam M. Ronthal (G00336273)