Building a Just-In-Time Data Warehouse

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About Viacom

- Leading Global Entertainment Content Company
- 23 Brands in 170+ Countries















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Introductions

Dan Morris

- Senior Director of Product Analytics
- 12 Years @Viacom in a variety of roles
- Intersection of Product and Data



About My Team

- Product Analytics team formed one year ago
- Our mission is to grow our global audience with the highest quality users possible

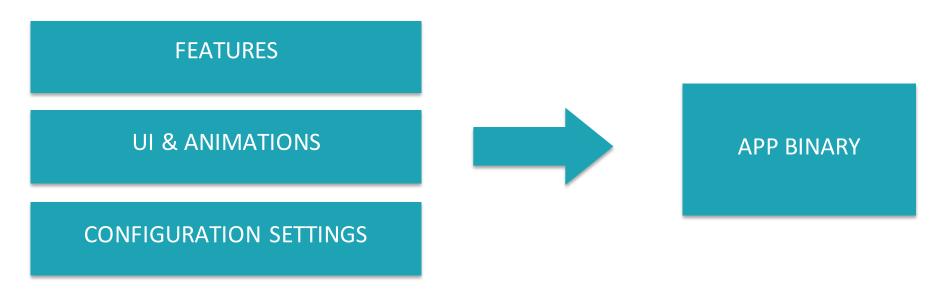


Key Areas of Focus

- Mobilize efforts using growth targets
- Uncover deep insights using churn and cohort analysis
- Treat all ideas as hypotheses and test them rigorously

Where Are We Today: App Platform

Make it *extremely simple* to build and deploy *engaging* apps around the globe



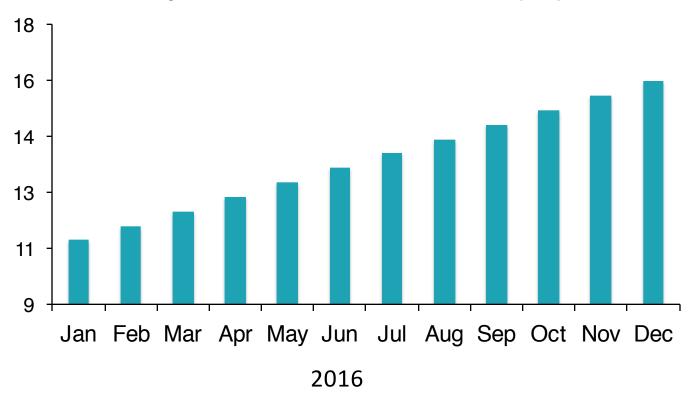
Disciplined Product Dev Approach is Key

- 23 brands in 170+ countries
- Lots of market dynamics
- Many stakeholders

... Data is a must!

Sound Data Management is Required

Expected Data Volume Growth (TB)





Our Data Infrastructure

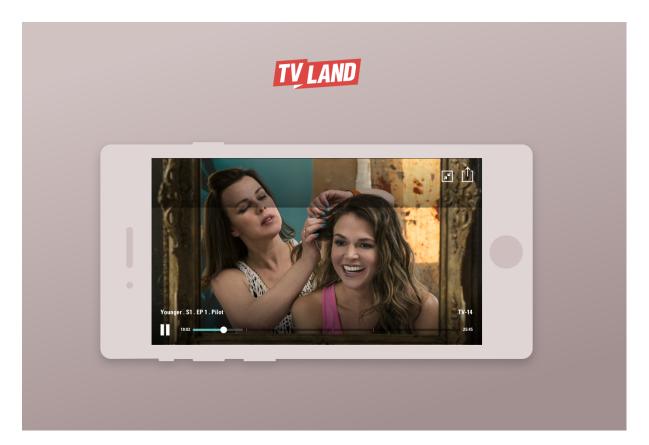
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Spark + Databricks

Redshift

Tableau

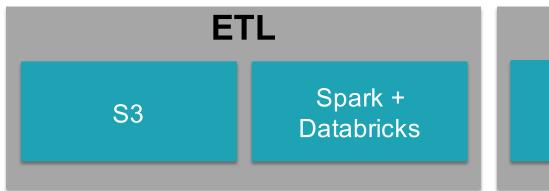
Introducing the TV Land iOS App



Applying Product Analytics to TV Land

- Growth Targets
- Dashboards
- Deep Dive Analyses
- A/B Testing

Baselines Used to Set Growth Targets





Data Volume

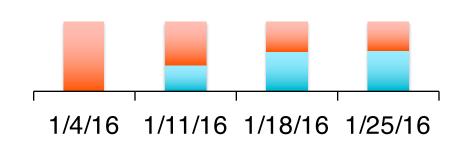
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- 11 TB

Data Volume

- 30 sites/apps
- 1 TB

Growth Targets are Monitored via Dashboards

Audience Growth by Cohort



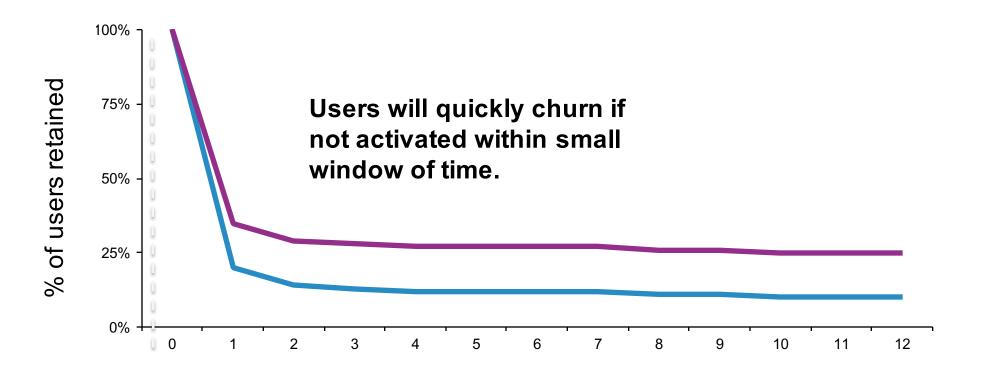
New UsersReturning Users

Weekly Retention by Cohort

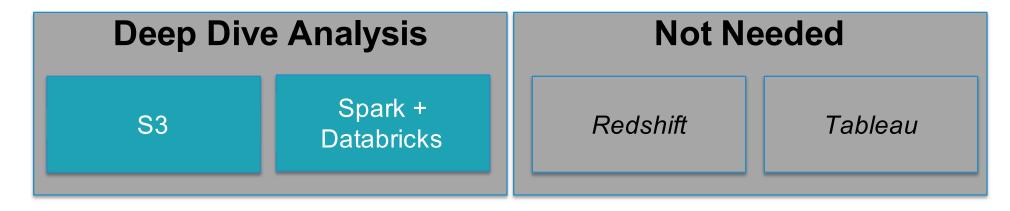
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1/4/16	100%	53%	41%	33%	30%
1/11/16	100%	58%	51%	42%	
1/18/16	100%	49%	38%		
1/25/16	100%	49%			

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Dashboards Spark Deep Dive Analyses



Deep Dive Analysis Requires Flexibility



- Define schema on read instead of write
- Work through data quality issues just-in-time.
- Tease out business question iterative and interactively.
- Use programming language of your choice.

Hypotheses Require A/B Testing



Data Sets

- Adobe Logs
- Experiment Logs

Summary of Our Setup

	Just in Time		Traditional		
Primary Audience	•	Product Analysts	•	Product Team Business Stakeholders	
Tasks	•	Exploratory Analysis A/B Testing	•	Ad Hoc Queries Dashboards	
Tools	•	S3 Spark Databricks	•	Redshift Tableau	

Coming Soon...

- Go live with internal A/B testing platform
- Continue to evolve our setup
- Further scale model to support Product Analytics Pan-Viacom





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