#### Buying a tag management system (TMS) solution

Experience from the buyer side

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#### Introduction

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  - Years of container tag experience
  - Javascript skill
  - Analytics implementation



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# Why TMS



Source: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPjZF5TVc94">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPjZF5TVc94</a>

### **Our Expectation**

- Fasten tag deployment cycle (same day delivery)
- Minimum IT resource is required for tagging
- Unified data collection for analytics
- Improving data governance

### **ROI Survey**

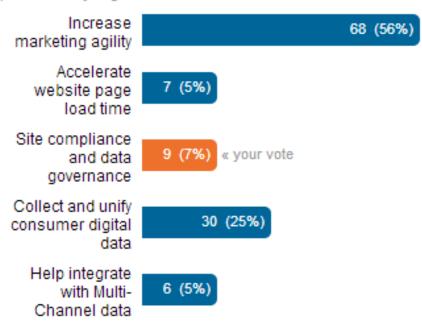
- Tag management saves money
  73% of respondents say tagging costs are reduced
- Time to market is dramatically reduced Nearly 70% of TMS users achieve same day delivery, half of them reporting the process takes less than an hour
- Marketing is in charge, and IT/Tech is free for higher level tasks 81% of TMS users agree
- Website speed is increased
  64% of TMS users noted an site speed improvement

Source: Econsultancy (http://econsultancy.com/au/reports/the-roi-of-tag-management)

# Top Benefit Survey

New Tag Management Poll: What is the Current Top Benefit of a Tag Management Solution?





Source: Linkedin Tag Management Group

#### Stakeholders

- BI
- Marketing
- Agencies
- ▶ e-Business
- IT
- Vendors



### Creating Business Cases

- Estimate the benefit in \$\$\$
  - Save of tagging cost and time
  - Improvement of conversion rate
  - Reducing risk and outages

#### Example:

- Current 8 hours per tag = \$1,600
- TMS 1 hour per tag = \$200
- Saving 87.5% of tagging cost
- 100 tags = saving \$140,000

#### What's in The Market

- Econsultancy: Tag Management Buyer's Guide (http://econsultancy.com/au/reports/tag-management-buyers-guide)
- One line of code myth not the full story
- Two approaches: container tag v.s. dynamic tag
- Price range: Free ~ tens of thousands dollars

# One Line of Code Myth

Web Page

Reference TMS JS

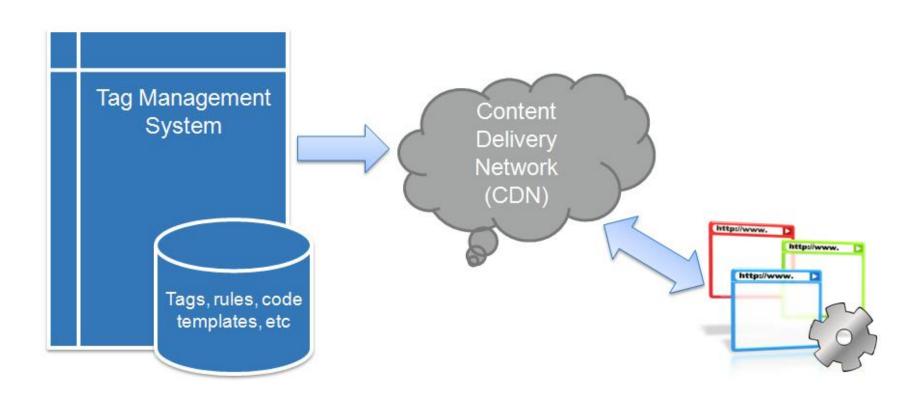
Data Layer

Collects custom data (e.g. E-commerce transaction data) TMS Javascript file (e.g. tracking.js)

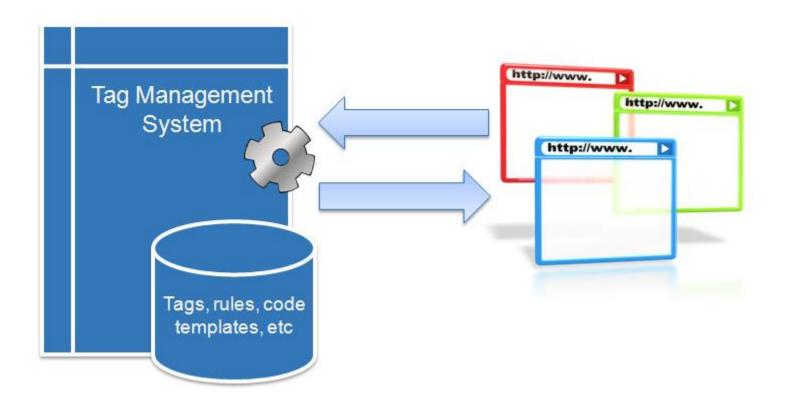
Should we grab data from HTML elements?

- ◆ Might not available
- ◆ Design changes could cause issues
- ◆ Reuse of analytics data collection code

# Container Tag Approach



# Dynamic Tag Approach



#### Container Tag v.s. Dynamic Tag

#### Container Tag Approach

- Less dependency on TMS platform
- Larger Javascript file to download
- Logic is executed by browser

#### Dynamic Tag Approach

- Smaller Javascript file to download
- TMS platform executes tagging logic for each request
- No centralized Javascript file

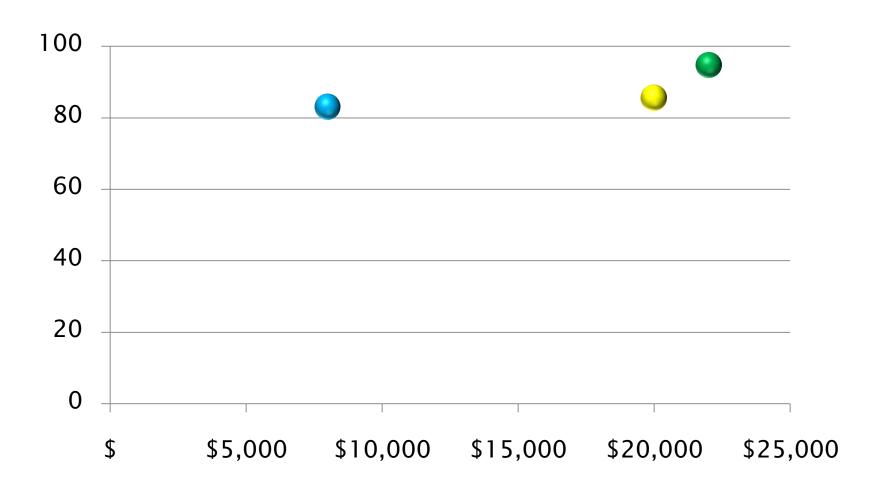
#### **Consideration Points**

- Supported tags
- Custom tag template
- Simple and clear interface
- Live testing / preview
- Permission levels
- Change logs
- Rollback to previous versions
- Support of native mobile apps
- SLA
- Local support
- **\$\$\$**
- Skills and resource for implementation and maintenance

# Feature Rating

	Weighting	Provider #1	Provider #2	Provider #3
Analytics Tag Support (interface)	5	10	9	8
Marketing Tag #1 Support (interface)	10	10	10	10
Marketing Tag #2 Support (interface)	10	10	10	10
Optimization Tag Support (interface)	5	10	8	5
Hosting Reliability	10	7	9	7
Rollback Function	10	10	10	10
Mobile Native App Tracking	7	8	10	0
Flash Tracking	5	8	8	8
Live Testing / Preview	10	5	9	10
Audit Change History	10	10	10	10
Permission Control	10	10	10	10
Easy to Use Interface	8	5	9	7
Summary Rating (Max 100%)	-NA-	85.6%	94.7%	83.1%

# Rating and Cost



### **Current Implementation**

Web Page

Reference Analytics JS

Analytics Code Block

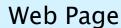
Collects custom data (e.g. E-commerce transaction data)

Adserver Tag #1

Adserver Tag #2

Analytics Javascript file (e.g. Analytics.js)

#### Reuse Data Collection



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**Analytics Tag** 

Adserver Tag #1

Adserver Tag #2