



Institute
and Faculty
of Actuaries

New insights into customer behavior and value

Charles Garnsworthy
James M Larmer

@CGarns

@JamesMLarmer



Agenda

- Technology, big data and disruption
- Data-enabled decision-making
- Customer behaviour insights through analytics



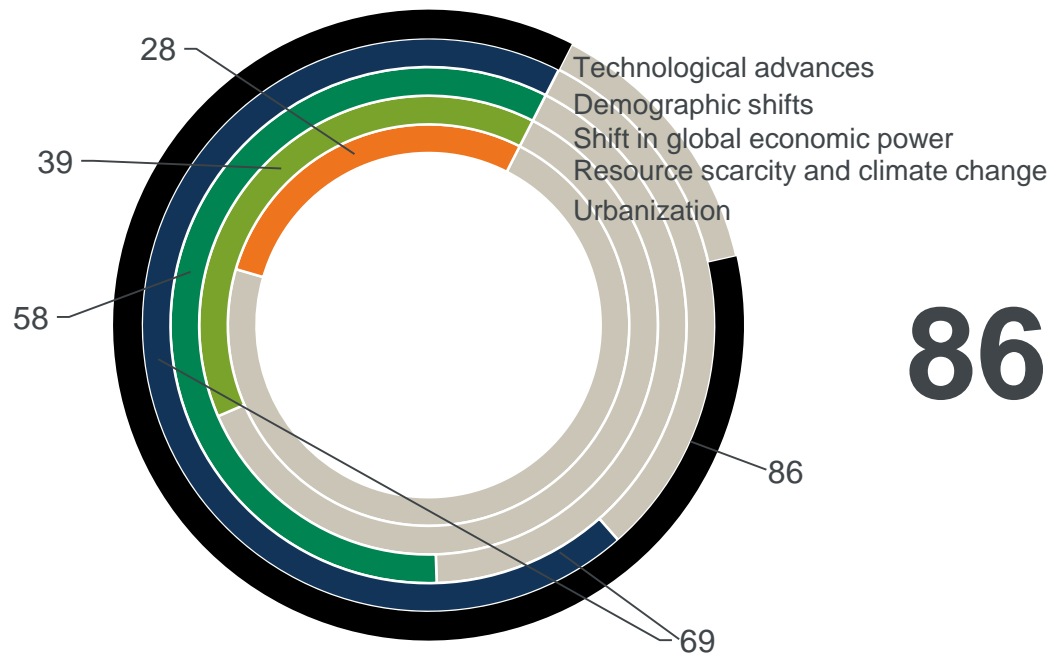
Institute
and Faculty
of Actuaries

Technology, Big Data and Disruption

04 May 2017

5 Forces Transforming Our World

Trends that will transform business in the next 5 years (%)



86% of CEO's say 'Technological advances' will be the top driver transforming their business in the next five years.

Source: PwC CEO Survey, 2014

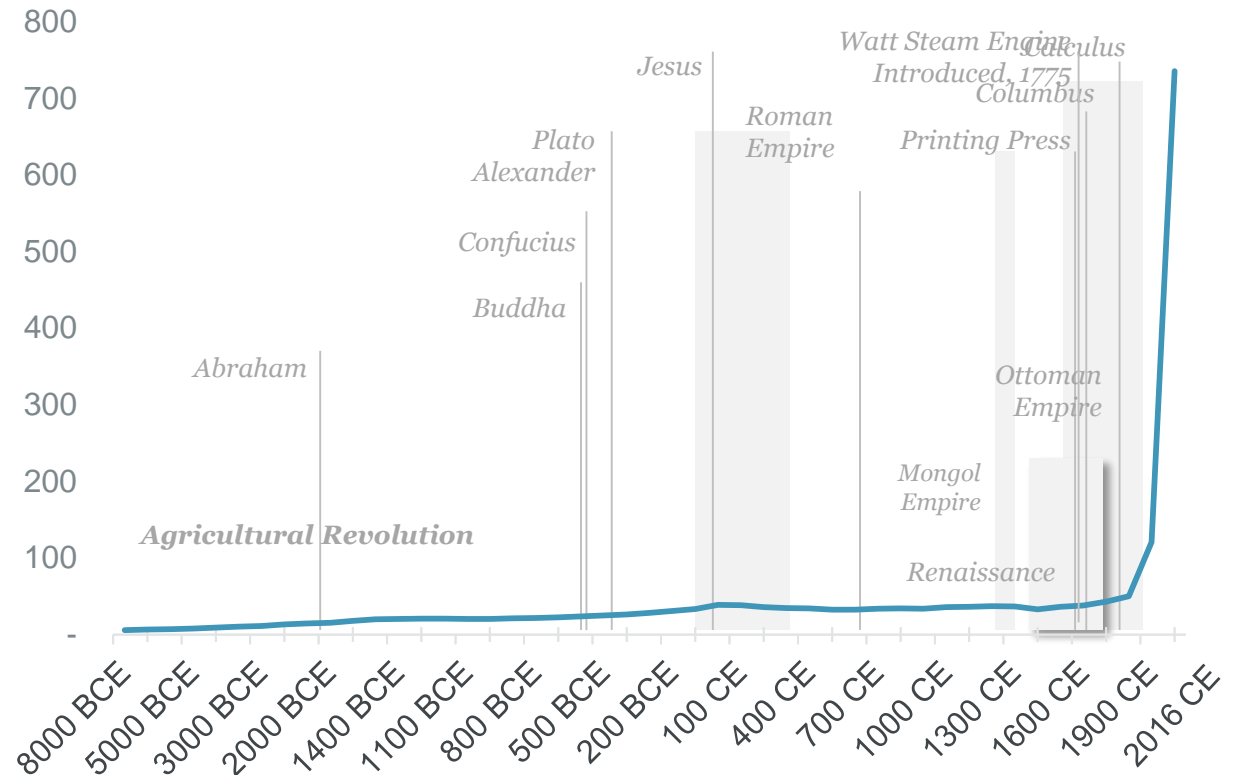
Human Social Development

The First Machine Age (The Industrial Revolution)

The steam engine was “the biggest and fastest transformation in the entire history of the world”

- Ian Morris -

The Human Social Development Index



Source: Ian Morris,
Social Development, Stanford University

Are we in a Second Machine Age?

An Accelerating Pace of Change

“Computers and other digital advances are doing for mental power ... what the steam engine did for muscle power”

- Andrew McAfee -
- Erik Brynjolfsson -

Acceleration Laws Apply to Analytics and Data

1 The accelerating pace of change ...



2 ... and exponential growth in computing power ...

Computer technology, shown here climbing dramatically by powers of 10, is now progressing more each hour than it did in its entire first 90 years

COMPUTER RANKINGS

By calculations per second per \$1,000

Analytical engine
Never fully built, Charles Babbage's invention was designed to solve computational and logical problems



Colossus
The electronic computer, with 1,500 vacuum tubes, helped the British crack German codes during WW II



UNIVAC I
The first commercially marketed computer, used to tabulate the U.S. Census, occupied 943 cu. ft.

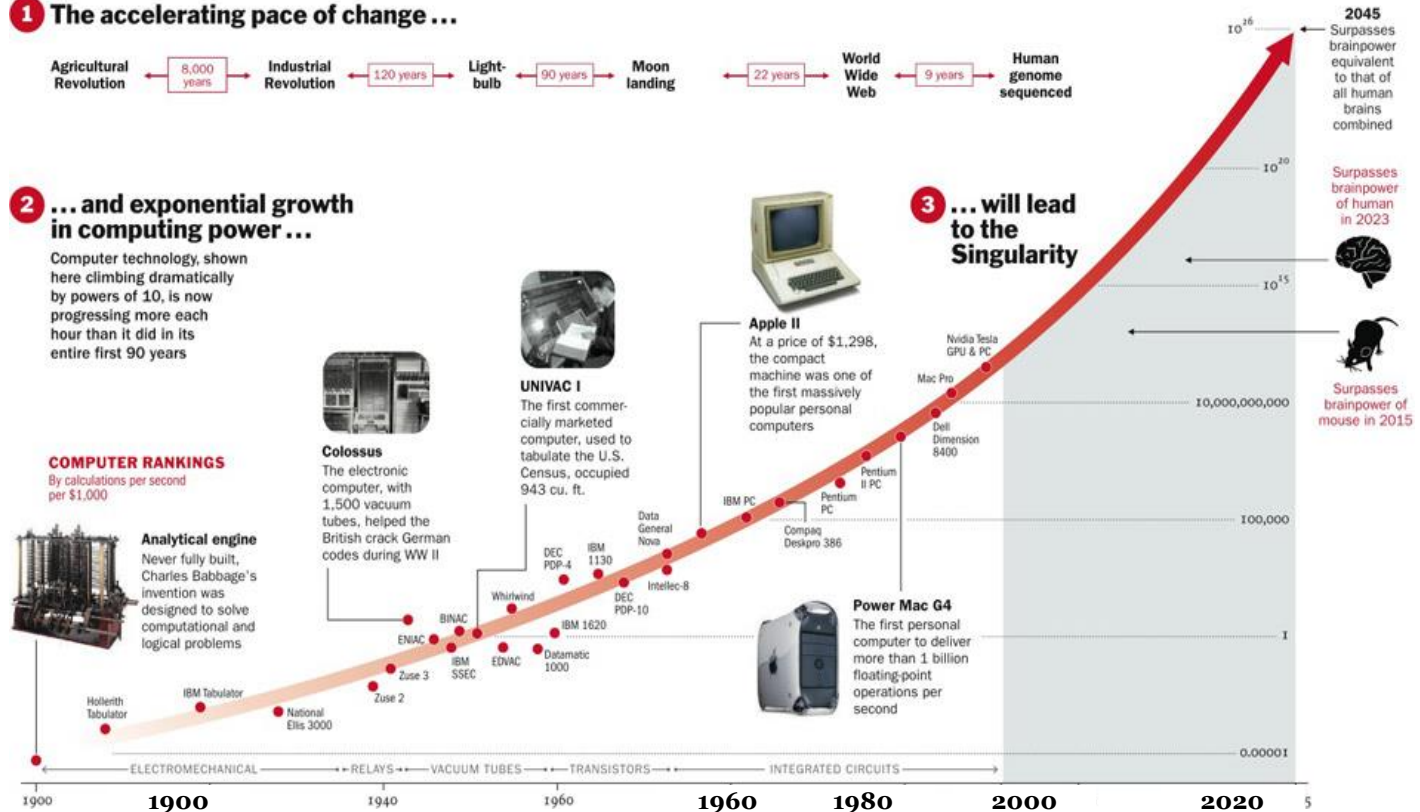


Apple II
At a price of \$1,298, the compact machine was one of the first massively popular personal computers



Power Mac G4
The first personal computer to deliver more than 1 billion floating-point operations per second

3 ... will lead to the Singularity



Moore's Law

Computing power doubles every 18 months

- Gordon Moore -
Co-Founder of Intel

Exponential impact on:

- Transistors / Chip
- Gigabytes per \$
- Internet speed
- Energy efficiency
- Supercomputer Speed

The Impact of Moore's Law

ASCI Red



Introduced in 1996
Cost: US\$55 million
Size: 100 Cabinets, 1,600 Sq. Ft.

1997: 1.8 teraflops of speed

Sony Playstation 3



Introduced in 2006
Cost: ~US\$500
Size: 1/10th of a sq. meter

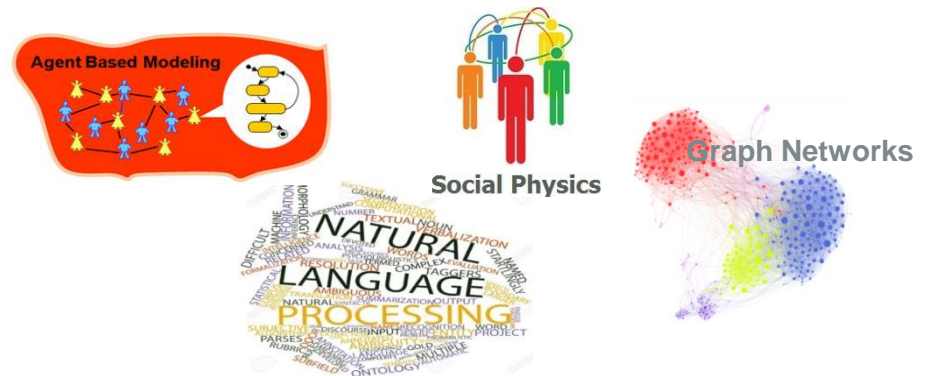
2006: 1.8 teraflops of speed

The Digitization of Everything

New sources of data



New analytics techniques



New emerging technologies



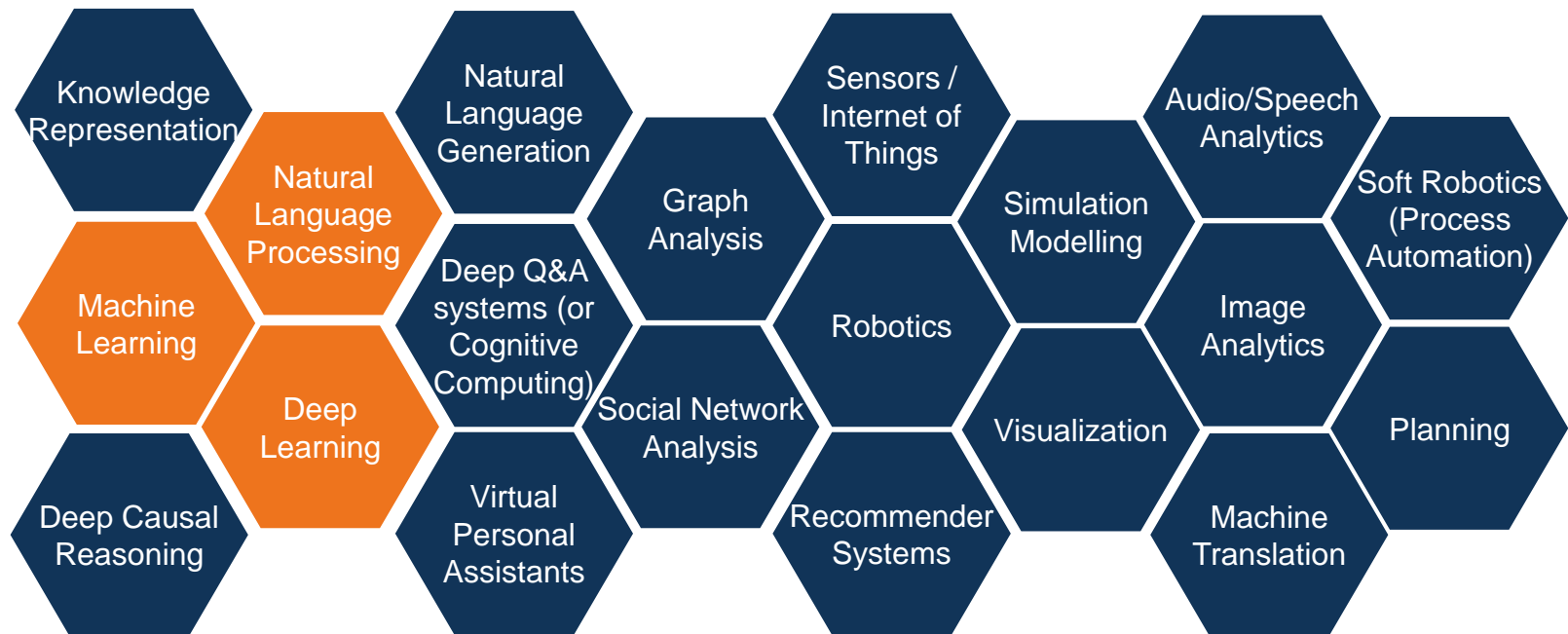
Digitization is transforming how people discover, engage, and transact with businesses and with each other

Analytics is evolving to drive and support

A word on AI...

Artificial Intelligence is a branch of computer science dealing with the simulation of intelligent behaviour in computers

Topic Areas within Artificial Intelligence (non-exhaustive)



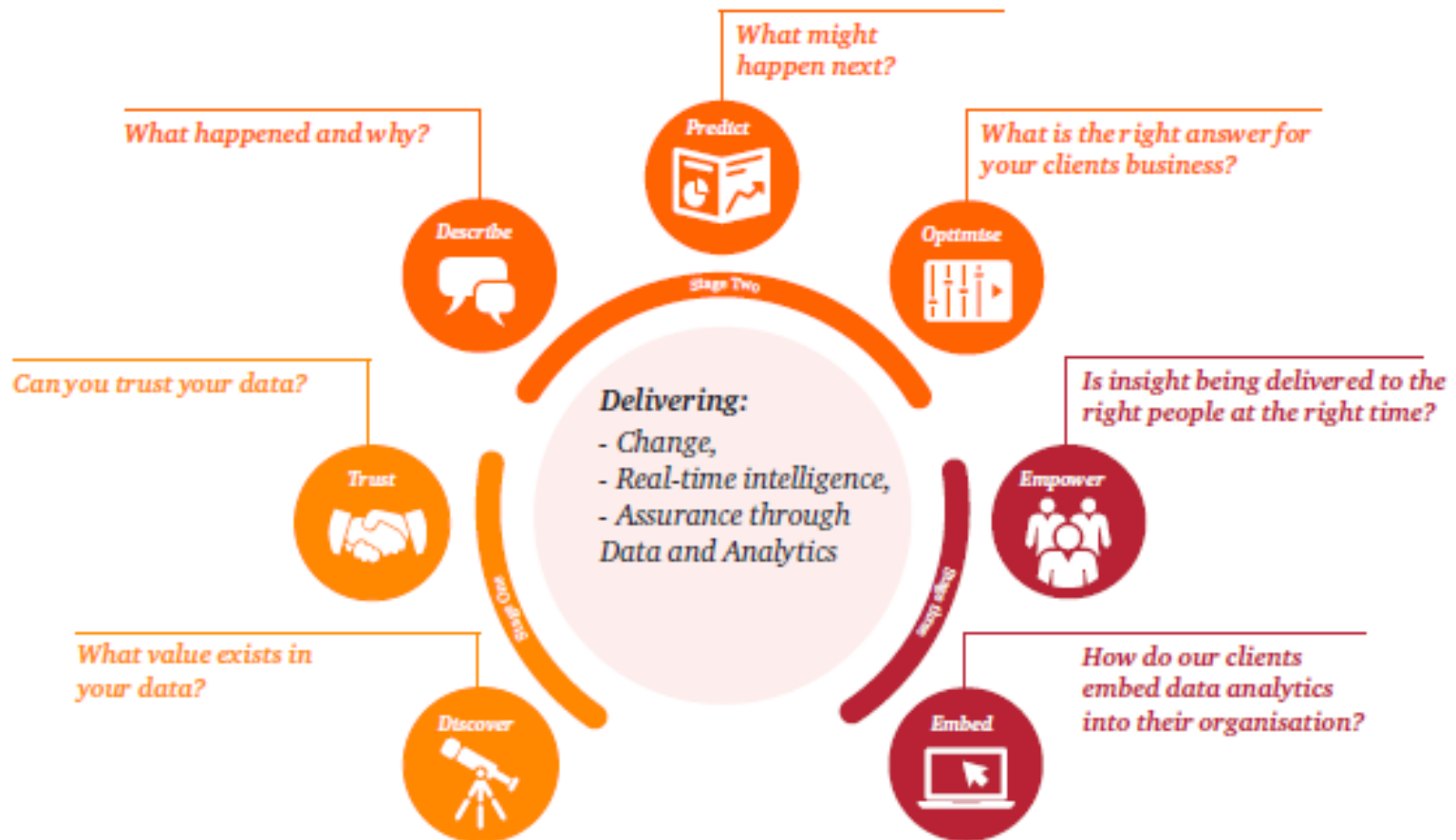


Institute
and Faculty
of Actuaries

Data-Enabled Decision Making

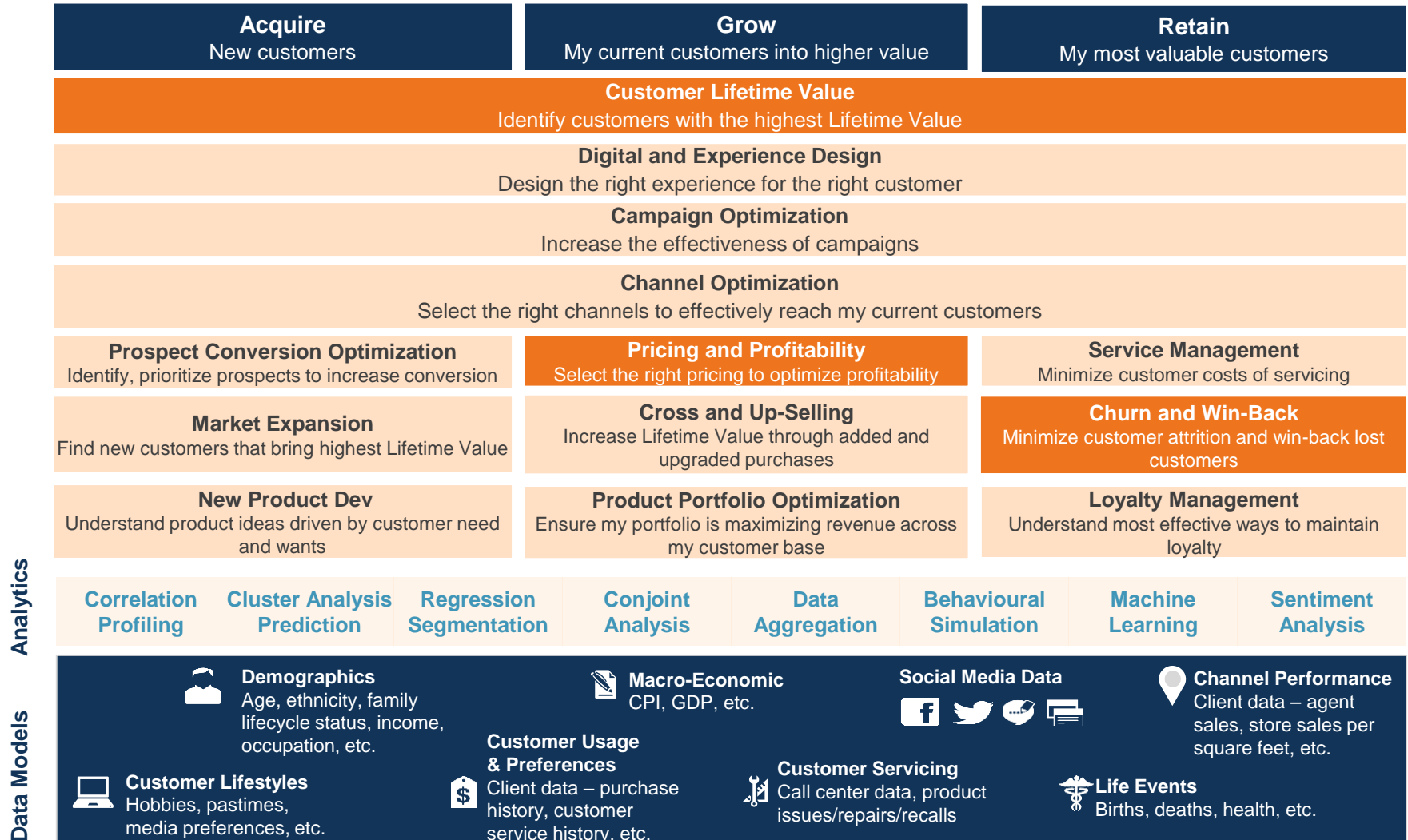
Spotlight: Customer and Marketing Analytics

Applied data and analytics



Application: Customer and Marketing Analytics

The customer analytics framework



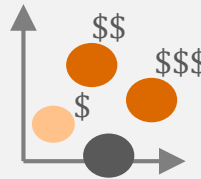
Data Models

Application: Customer and Marketing Analytics

Customer Lifetime Value (CLV)

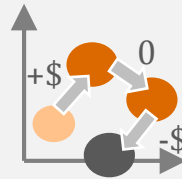
Value driven micro segments

Micro segments take into account product usage along with other behavioral characteristics to produce a clear understanding of how customers compare based on CLV.



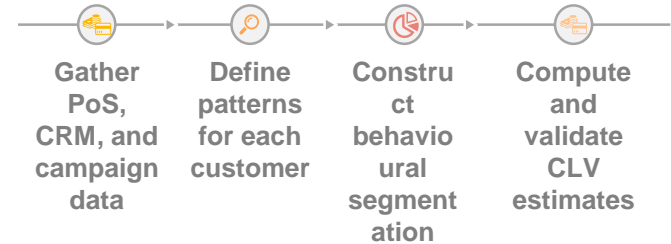
Customer value paths

Predict changes in value over time per customer, and how this affects future product usage, segment affiliation, and ultimately loyalty and retention.



Targeted customer interventions

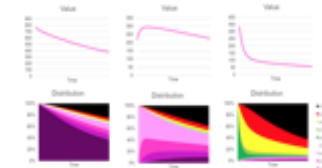
Prioritize marketing spend and customer service efforts on those customers that signify the highest value at risk and greatest opportunity for gain (upsell and cross-sell).



By forecasting changes in customer value over time, identify when to engage which customers to maximize the health of your portfolio.



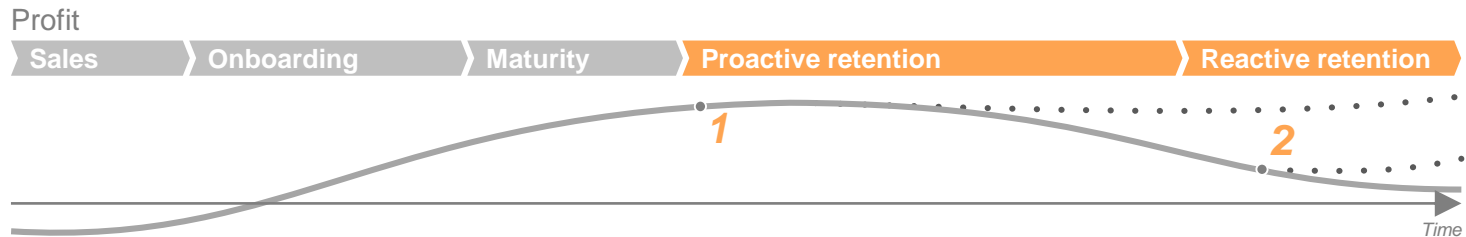
Take the guesswork out of campaign and intervention strategies by prioritizing funds and resources on the highest value customers.



Application: Customer and Marketing Analytics

Churn Management

Life cycle
of profit
per customer



Aim



- Interact with customers in advance to **retain value before** they discontinue a product or service
- **Create & sustain customer loyalty**

Reactive retention

- Interact with customers **after** they indicate their intention to discontinue a product or service
- **Create & sustain customer loyalty**

Key process steps



- Predict churn risk for each customer per product or service
- Implement campaigns and outreach programs to target high risk customers
- Engage with channel representatives to implement customer interventions

- Established protocols for “customer save activities”
- Train and incentivize customer service representatives
- Monitor service channels and incorporate feedback as appropriate

Key enablers



- Customer data management
- Predictive churn model
- Value-at-risk segmentation
- Integrated channel infrastructure and supporting tools
- Quantitative and qualitative understanding of loyalty drivers

- Efficient processes for manage product or service terminations
- Churning products past value and customer behaviour segmentation
- Stand-alone infrastructure and supporting tools
- Quantitative and qualitative understanding of loyalty drivers

Best practice principles



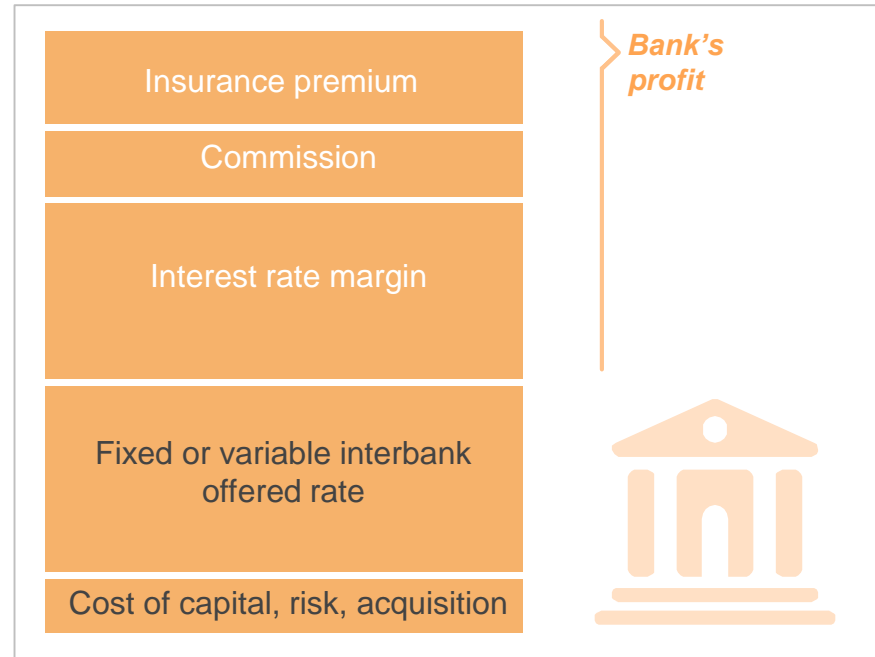
- Proactive churn management requires the engagement of the entire organization across each and every channel, *integrating processes, tools, and retention strategies* across departments

- Reactive churn management requires *effective communication* between individual channels to drive efficiency across individual retention strategies

Application: Customer and Marketing Analytics

Elastic pricing

Understanding individual expectations about the split between interest, commission and insurance is crucial.



Why is it important?

Seniors might look at instalment value while younger people will compare interest rates



Institute
and Faculty
of Actuaries

Customer behaviour insights through analytics

Case Study #1

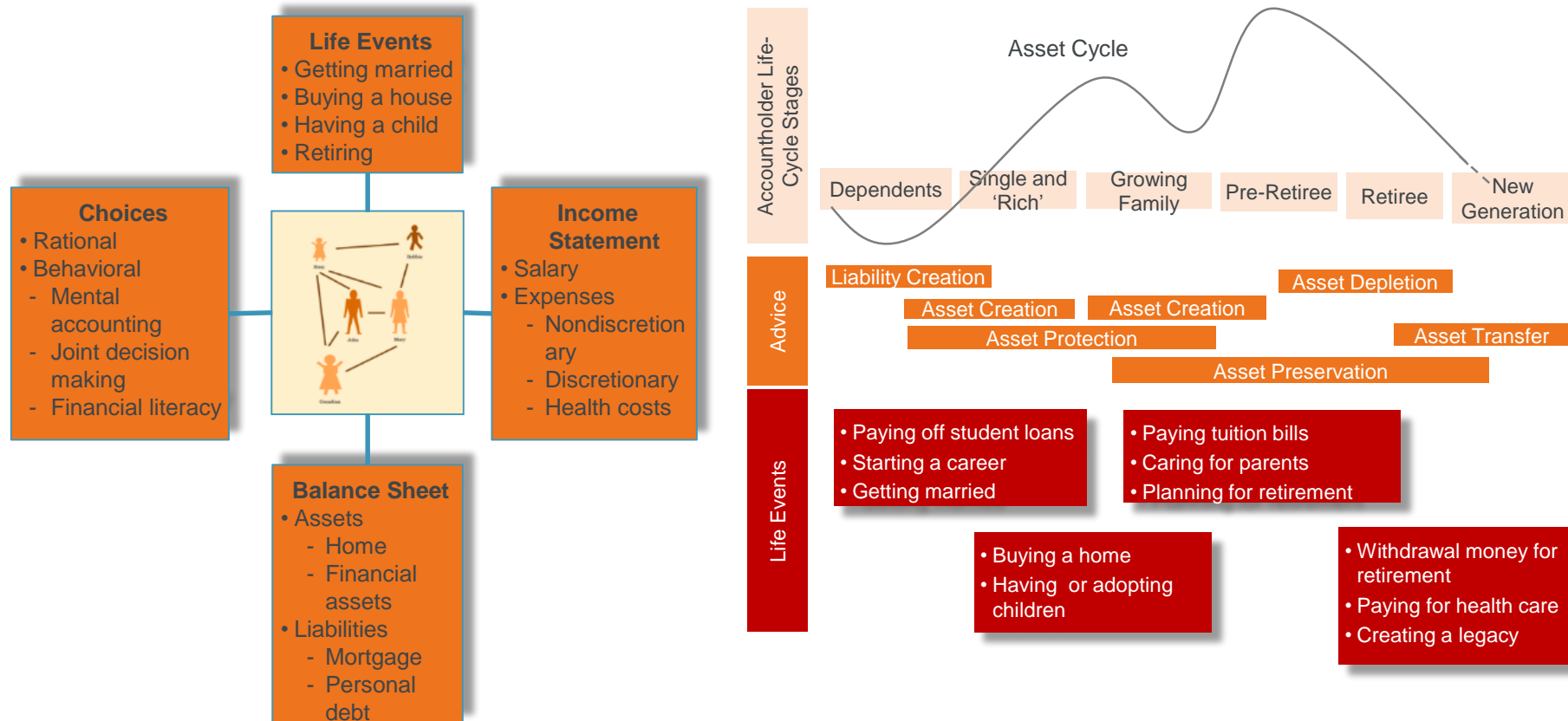
Behavioural simulation to explore lapse behaviour in participating business



Behavioural Simulation

Irrationality in the eye of the beholder

- Understanding the customer requires knowledge of how behaviours change across the lifecycle.
- Customers do not fit neatly into demographic segments, such as age, income, and wealth.

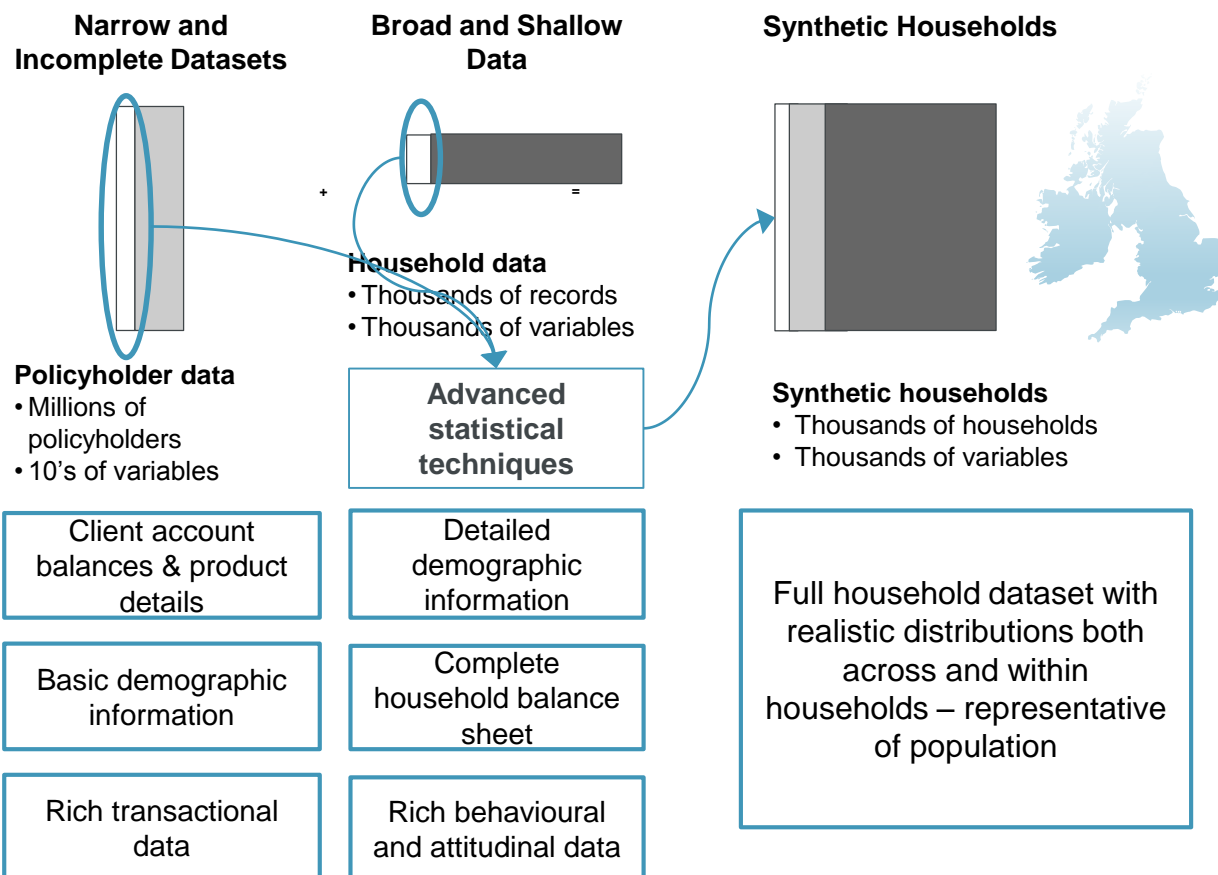


Behavioural Simulation

Synthetic populations used to learn about the policyholder

Combining “deep and narrow” data with “shallow and broad” data at a household level enables us to understand complete consumer balance sheets.

Using various statistical techniques, internal data can be combined with external data to give a more complete view.



Behavioural Simulation

Sophisticated modelling to perform simulation

Artificial Intelligence

Cognitive thought through machines



+

Complex Systems

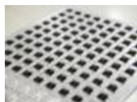
Emergent system behaviour from individual actions



+

Computational Power

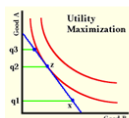
Rapid cycle-time for intensive calculations



+

Classical Economics

Individual decision-making driven by self-interest and utility maximization



+

Psychology

Scientific study of mental functions and behaviours of individuals and groups



=

Agent Based Modeling



Sophisticated, computationally intensive modeling technique that relies upon a decentralized set of behavioural rules and studies emergent behaviours

+

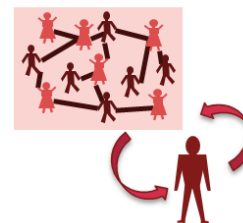
Behavioural Economics



Study of individual decision-making based on cognitive, heuristic, emotional and social factors

=

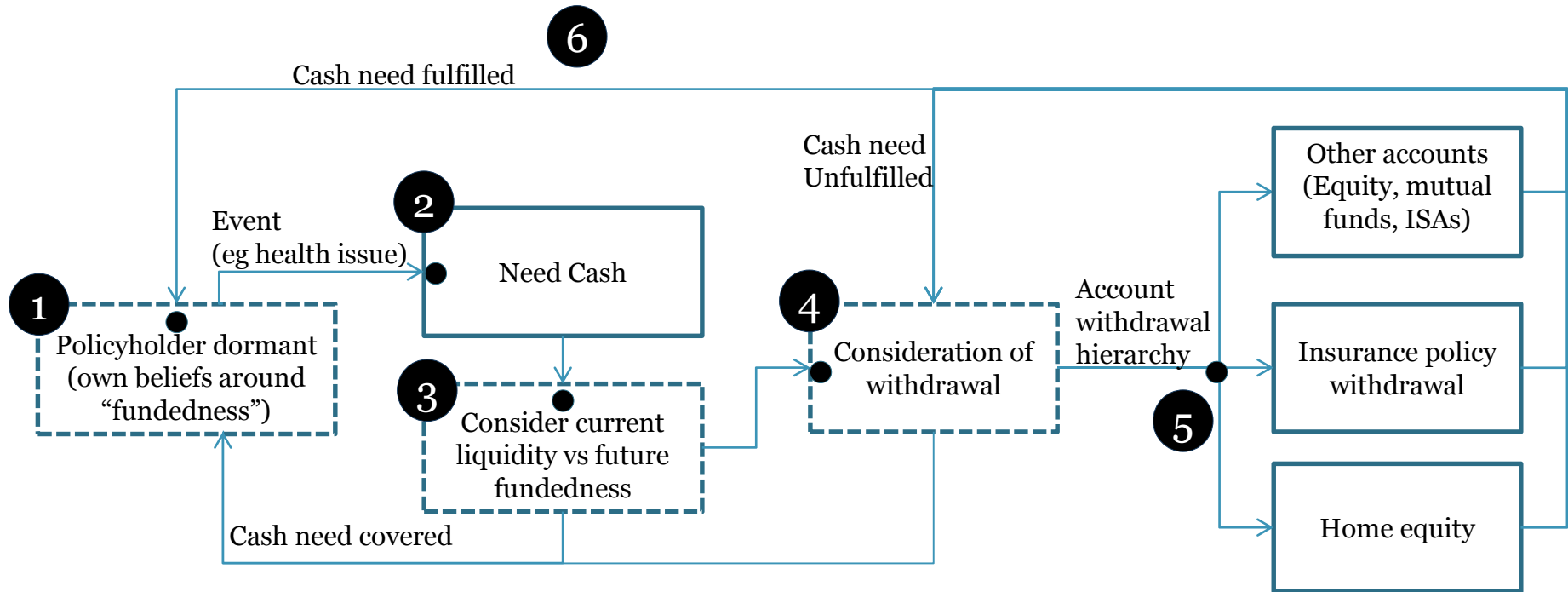
Behavioural Simulation



Simulation of how individuals really make decisions and their emergent group behaviours based on modeling individual behaviours as 'agents'. Choice made by individuals get reflected as 'market-level' emergent behaviours that are calibrated with actual and survey data

Behavioural Simulation

How is it done?





Institute
and Faculty
of Actuaries

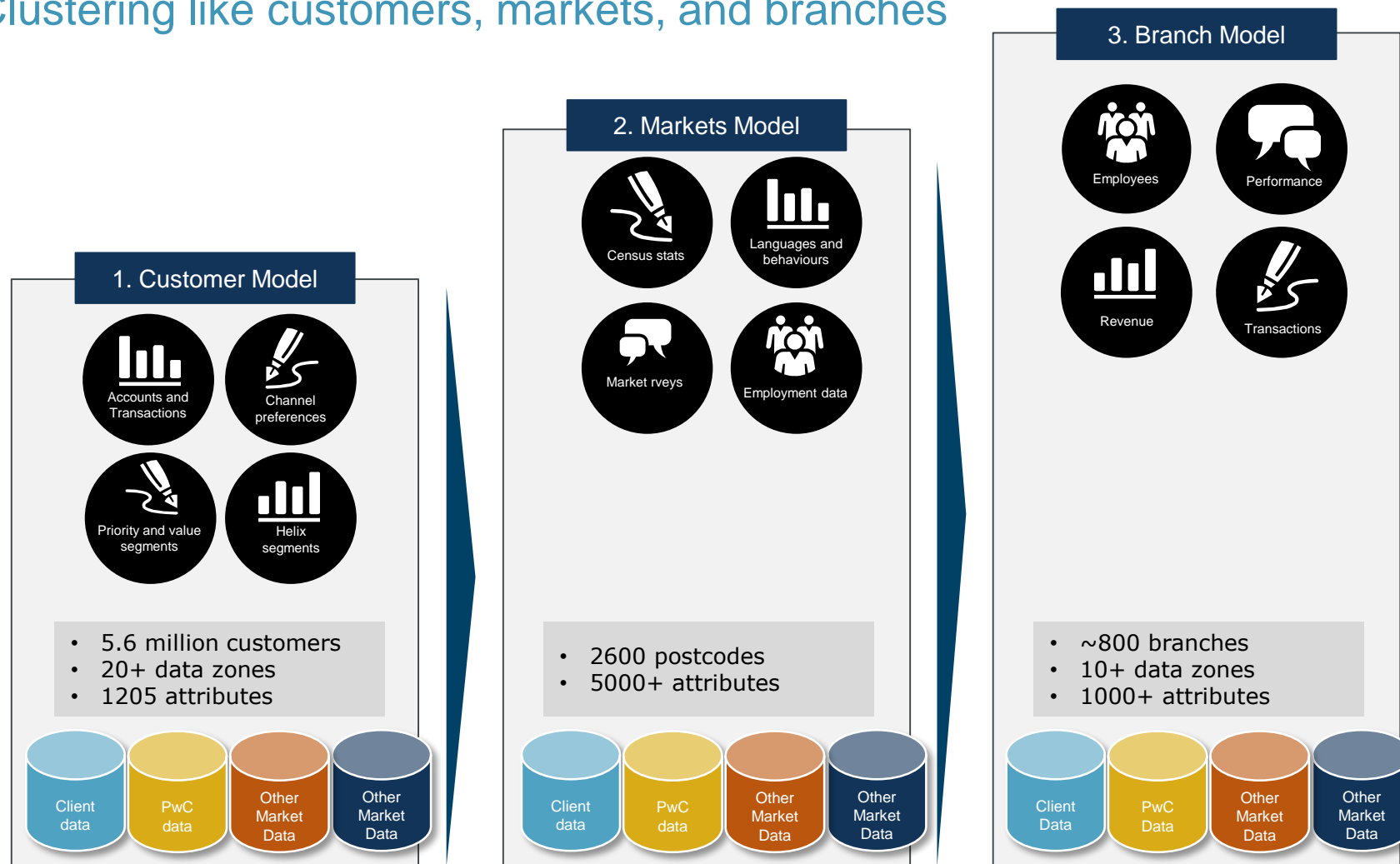
Customer behaviour insights through analytics

Case Study #2

Using branch geospatial analytics to capture market share across company's distribution network

Branch geospatial analytics (BGA)

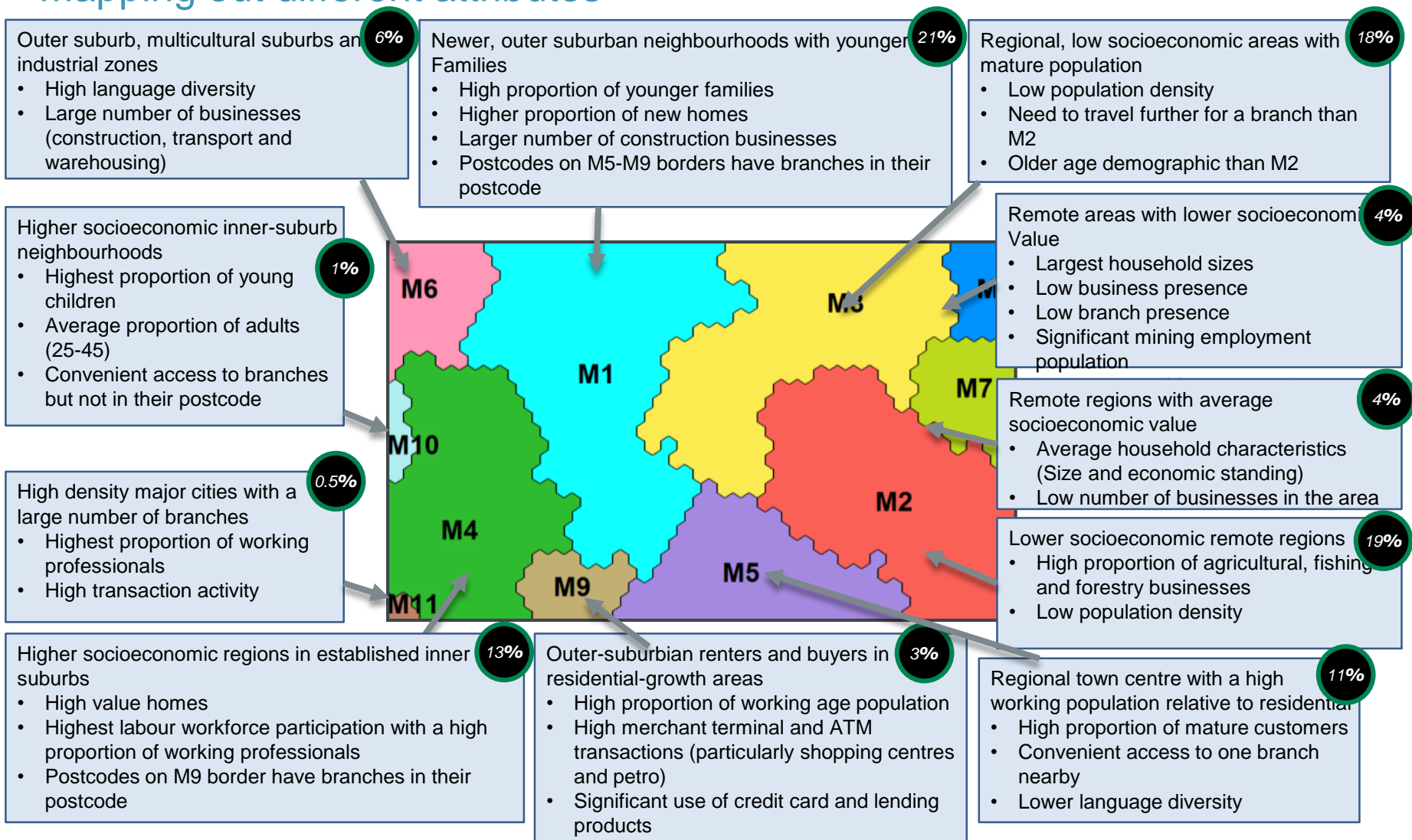
Clustering like customers, markets, and branches



Each model progressively builds on the information contained in the previous model

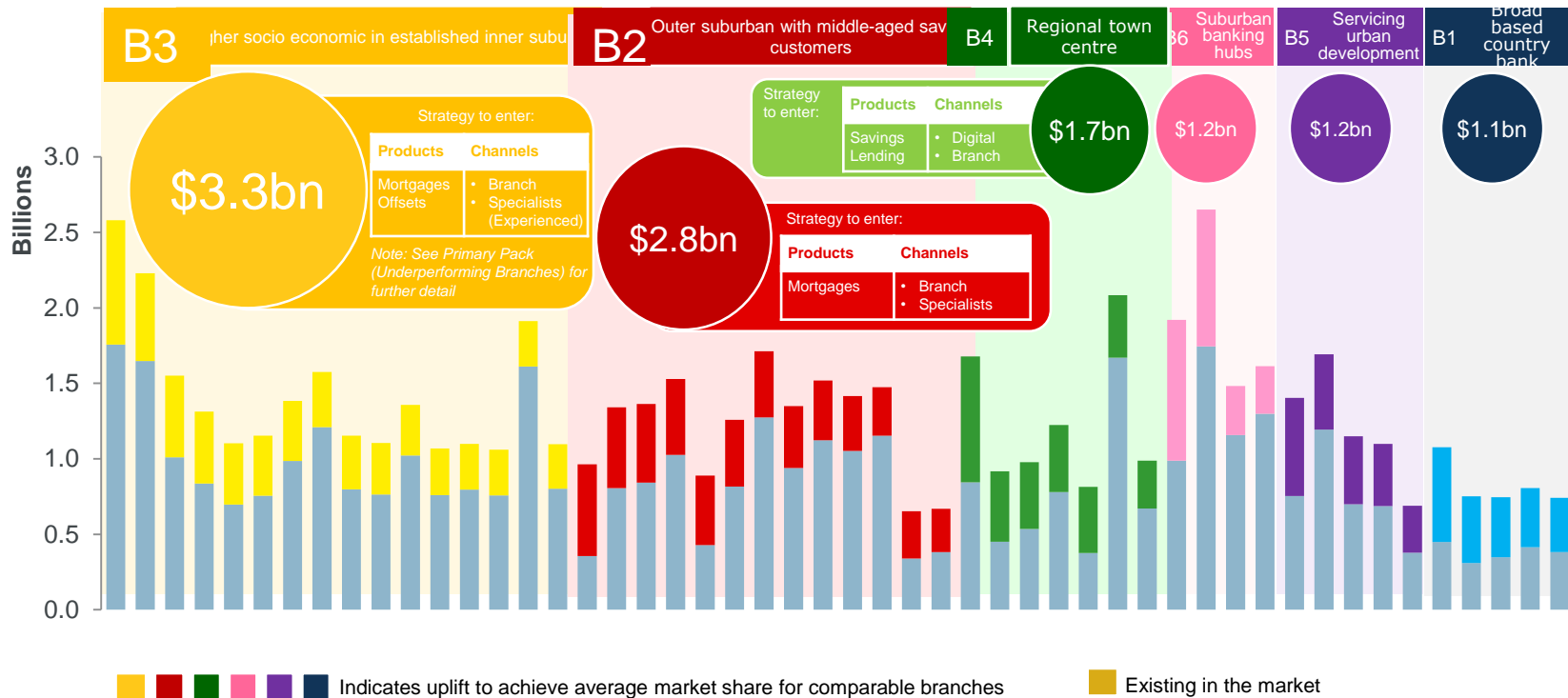
Branch geospatial analytics (BGA)

Mapping out different attributes



Branch geospatial analytics (BGA)

Identifying “underweight” branches and uplift potential





Questions



Comments

The views expressed in this [publication/presentation] are those of invited contributors and not necessarily those of the IFoA. The IFoA do not endorse any of the views stated, nor any claims or representations made in this [publication/presentation] and accept no responsibility or liability to any person for loss or damage suffered as a consequence of their placing reliance upon any view, claim or representation made in this presentation.

The information and expressions of opinion contained in this publication are not intended to be a comprehensive study, nor to provide actuarial advice or advice of any nature and should not be treated as a substitute for specific advice concerning individual situations. On no account may any part of this presentation be reproduced without the written permission of the IFoA or PwC.