



Removing Data Constraints in Testing

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Common Trade-offs / Criteria in Test Data Management

- 1 **Speed:** increasing testing agility

- 2 **Quality:** improving testing coverage

- 3 **Security:** ensuring data privacy

- 4 **Cost:** optimizing infrastructure resources



Drivers for Test Data Management

20%

of a tester's time is spent on test data-related activities.

- Cognizant 20-20 Insights

TEST DATA
CHALLENGES

33%

of application projects exceed their schedules.

- McKinsey Survey

LACK OF
APPLICATION
SPEED & AGILITY

\$3.8M

is the average cost of a data breach across industries.

- Ponemon Institute Report

IMPACT OF
BUSINESS FAILURES

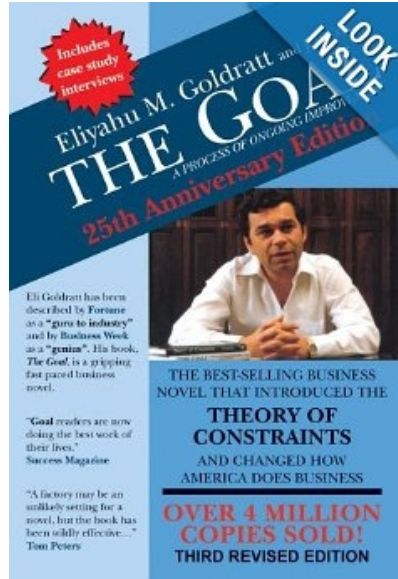
Evaluating Common Test Data Approaches

Test Data Type vs. Criteria	Speed	Quality	Security	Infrastructure Costs
Production Data	Slow, complex, manual processes	Improved test coverage and representativeness	Sensitive data at risk in non-production	High consumption of storage, CPU, and licenses
Subset of Production	Less time to provision than full production copies	Missed test case outliers	Sensitive data at risk in non-production	Some hardware, CPU, and license savings
Masked Data (Full or Subset)	Extended SLAs for masked data	Must maintain referential integrity	Improved data security	Requires standalone masking solution and staging server
Synthetic Data	Risk of human error creating test data	Limited to a small percentage of testing requirements	No requirement for de-identification of sensitive data	Limited space savings

Red = Fails to meet criteria

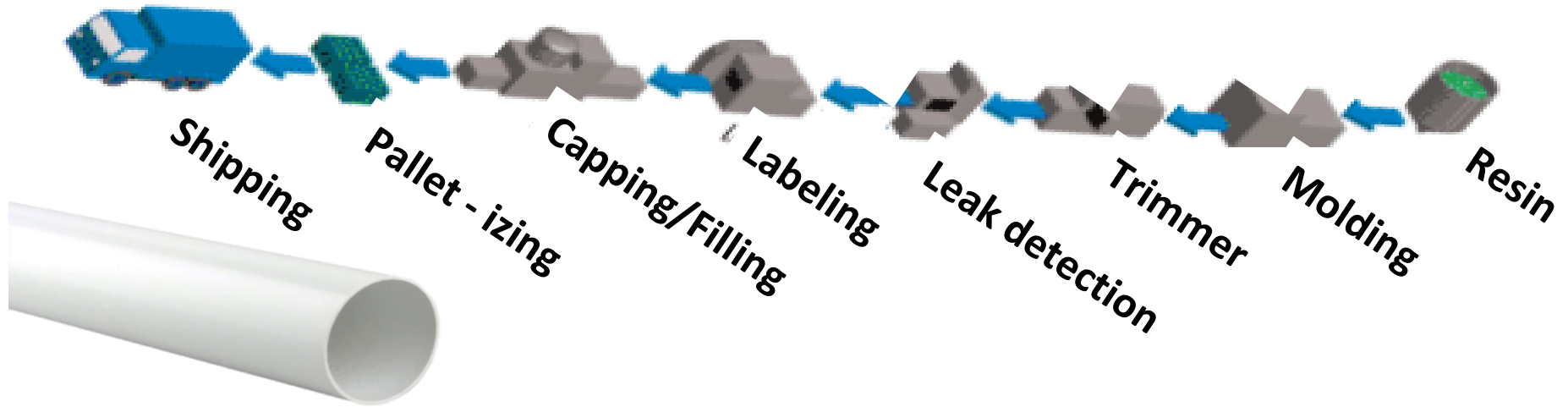
Yellow = Partially meets criteria Green = Meets criteria

The Goal: Theory of Constraints

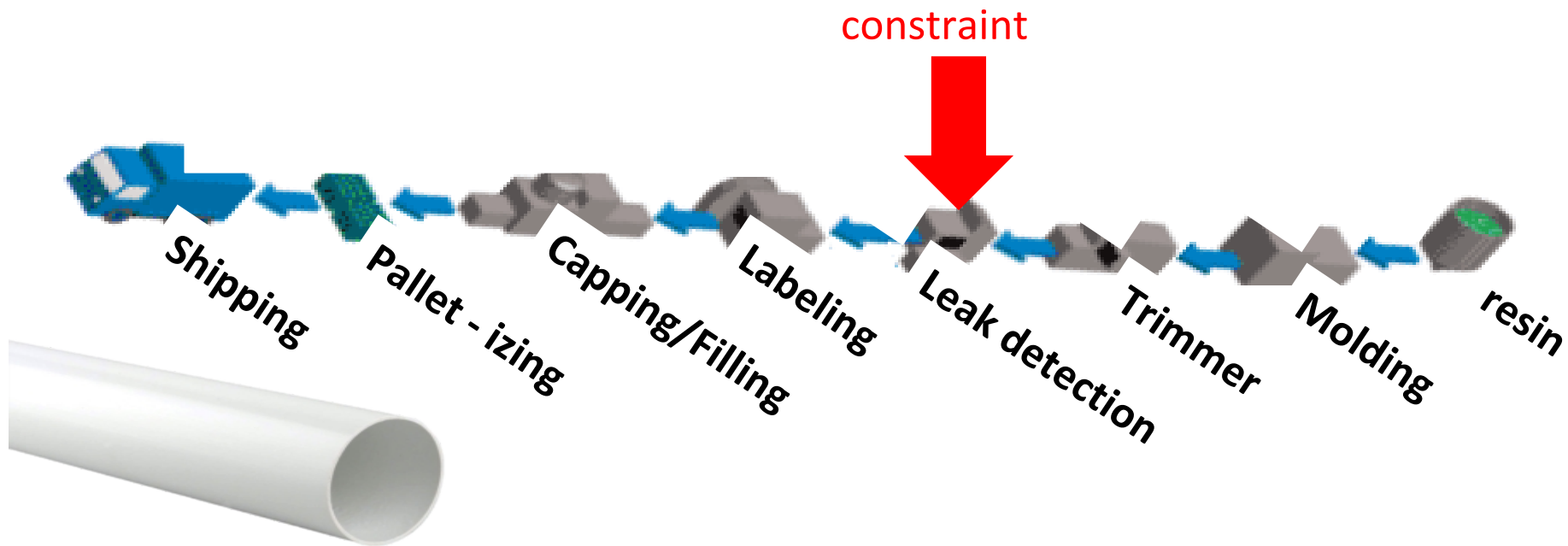


- Improvement not made at the **constraint** is an illusion

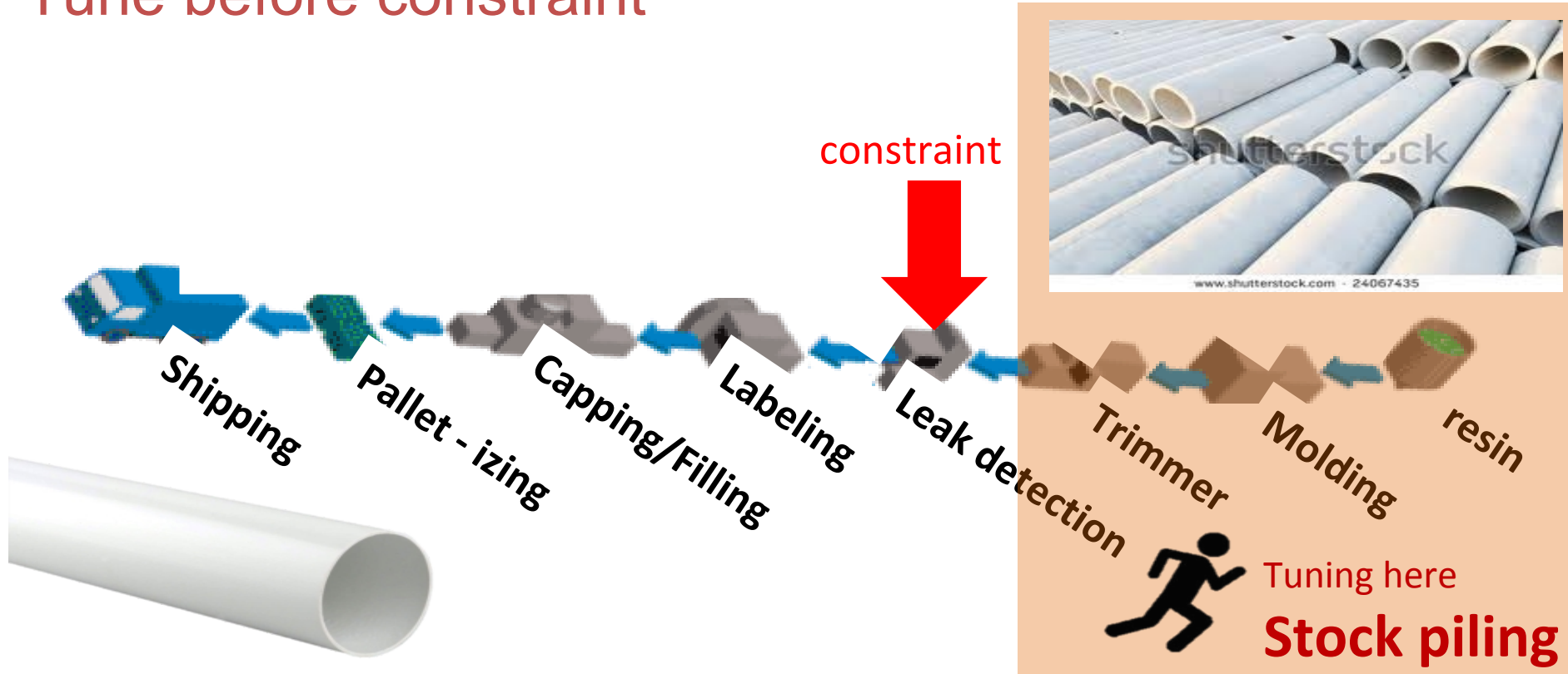
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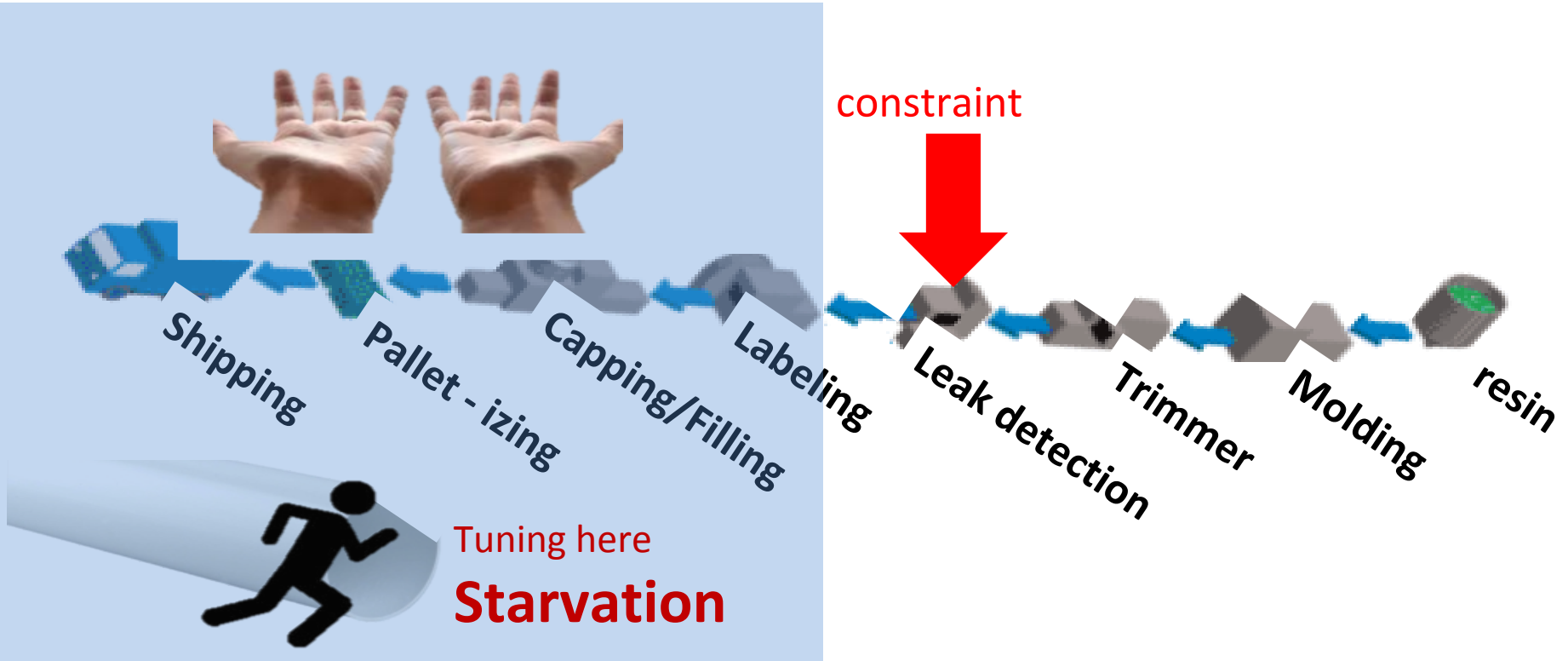
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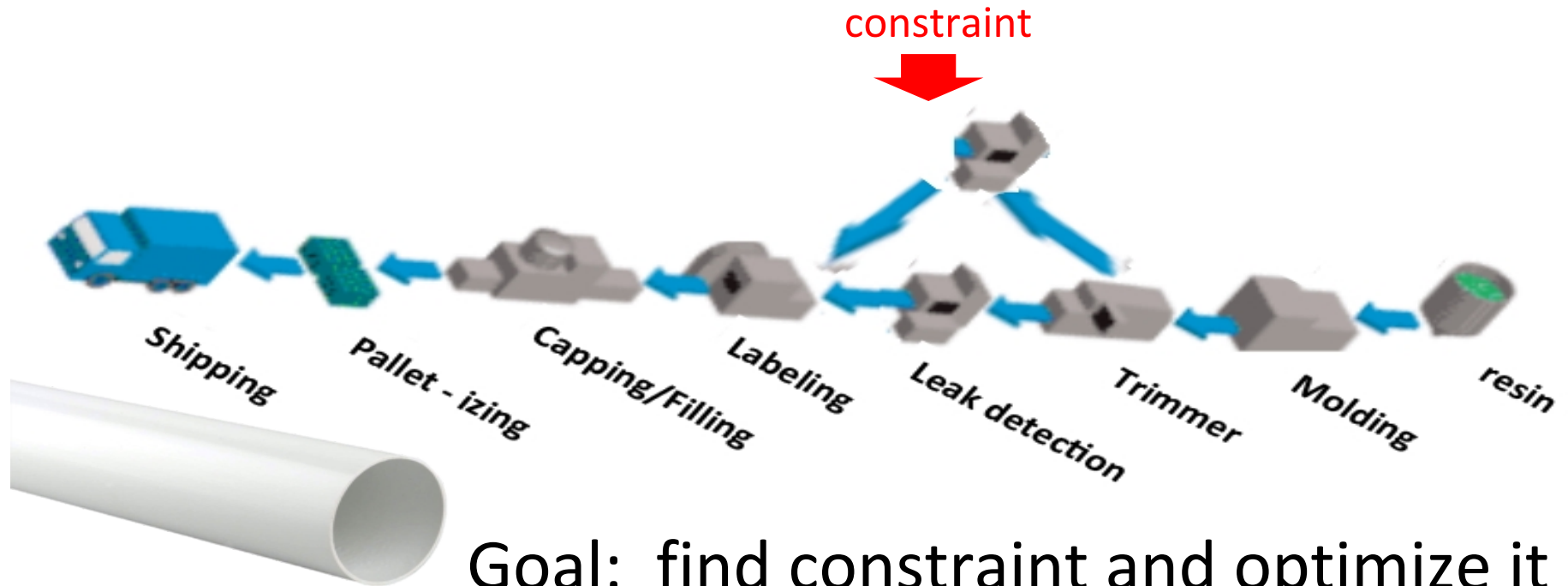
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Tune after constraint

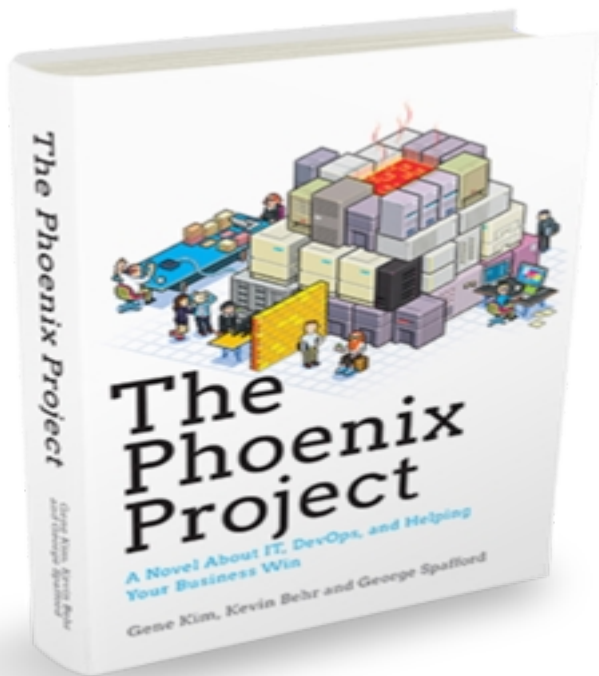


Factory floor: optimizing at the constraint



Goal: find constraint and optimize it

Does the Theory of Constraints work for IT ?



- Goals Clarify
 - Metrics Define
 - Constraints Identify
 - Priorities Set
 - Iterations Fast
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- Continuous Integration
 - Cloud
 - Agile
 - Kanban
 - Kata



“IT is the factory floor of this century”

The Phoenix Project: The Goal applied to IT



What is the
constraint
in IT ?

“IT is the factory floor of this century”

The Phoenix Project: top 5 constraints in IT?

1. **Dev environments setup**
2. **QA setup**
3. Code Architecture
4. Development
5. Product management

“One of the most powerful things that organizations can do is to enable development and testing to get environment they need when they need it”

- Gene Kim, author of *“The Phoenix Project”*

Data is the constraint

CIO Magazine Survey:

60% Projects Over Schedule

85% delayed waiting for data

Data is the Constraint

only getting worse

Gartner: Data Doomsday, 1/3rd IT in crisis

What Problems does the Data Constraint Cause ?



Operations

Complex, manual data delivery takes days or even weeks

Limited availability of test data to meet project team requirements

High operational burden to ensure sensitive data is not exposed in non-production

Limited resources: environments, storage

Increasing Complexity, Cost, and Risk



App Teams

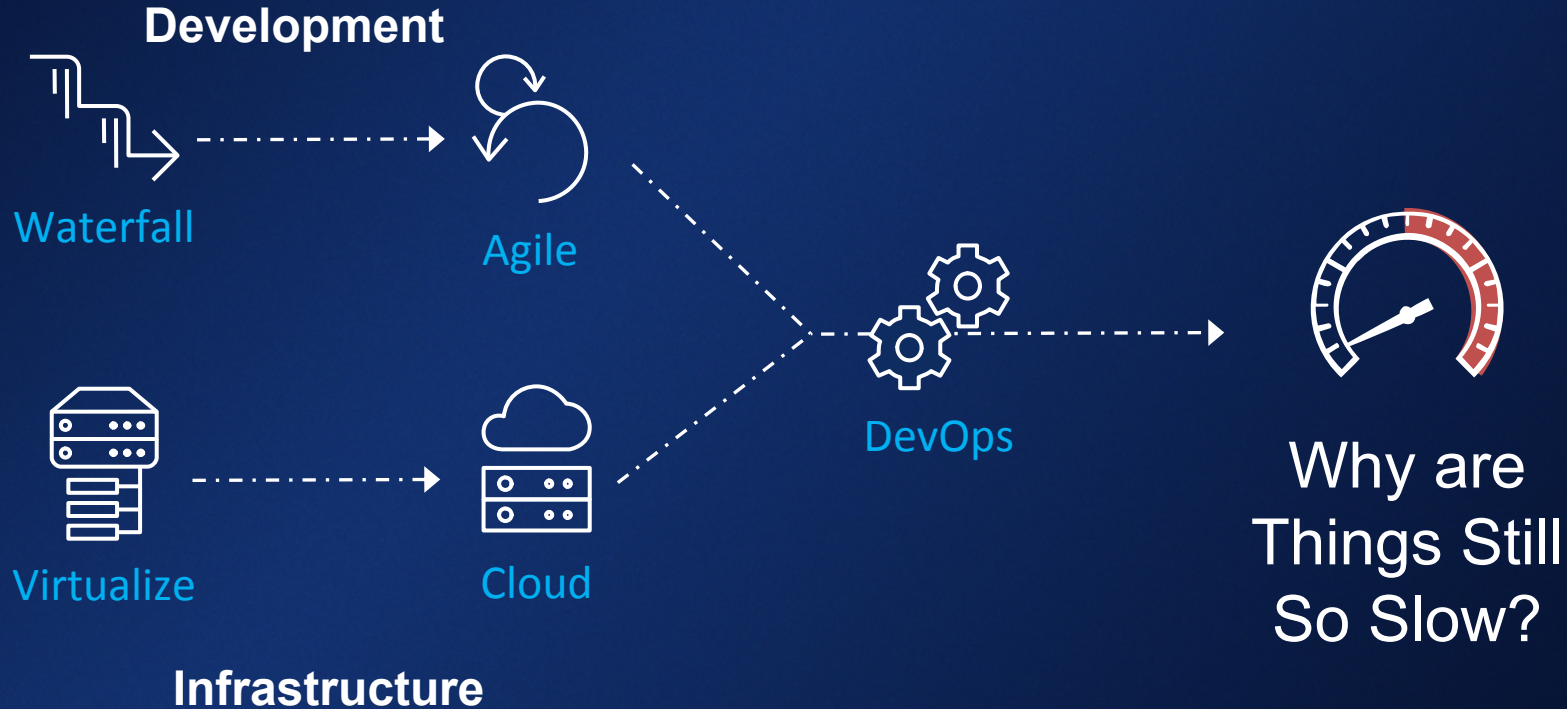
Unproductive wait-time during test cycles

20% of a tester's time spent resolving data-related issues

Instances of sensitive data increases risk of data breach by up to 90%

Complex release coordination and throttled throughput

More Data, More Owners, More Requests & Slower Time to Market



Data is Lagging Behind



Delphix Data Platform

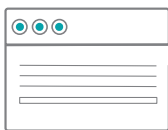
Allows data to be delivered to every stakeholder at the speed, simplicity, and security required for business transformation.

The Delphix Dynamic Data Platform

Collect



Databases



Applications & File Systems



Incremental Sync

Control



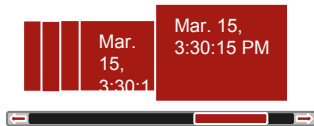
Mask



Provision



Backup, Retain



Consume



Self-service virtual data on demand
Masked or Unmasked data

Storage = 10 TB

Storage = 3 TB

Storage = 0 TB

Bookmark

Refresh

Rewind

Branch

Integrate



Power Features and Data Governance Across Teams

Application Teams: Power DevOps Data Features



BRANCH

Create parallel development, test environments



REFRESH

Refresh to the latest data for high fidelity testing, analytics



INTEGRATE

Reset to run A/B tests, recover from errors and data loss



BOOKMARK

Mark release changes, business events



SHARE

Move environments to accelerate collaboration

IT Operations: Full Security, Control, and Resource Allocation



AUTOMATE

Provision apps, DBs with right data in minutes



MASK

Replace private, sensitive data with masked values



RETAIN

Store 30 days in space of one for restore, archive



REPLICATE

Replicate within or across sites, or to the cloud



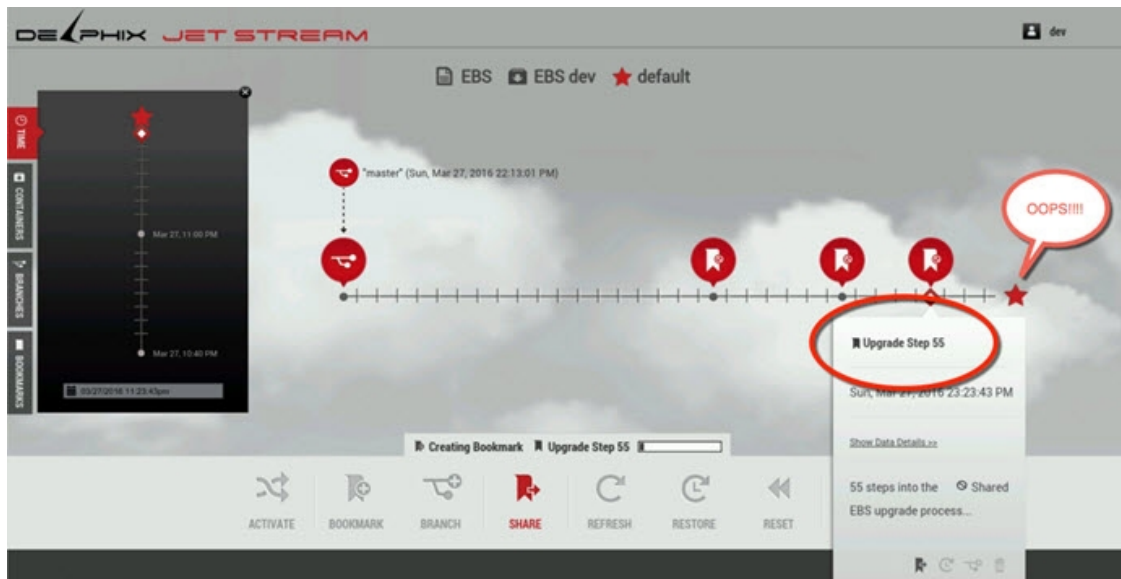
TRANSFORM

Convert Unix data into to Linux for modernization

Demonstration: Delivering Self-Service Data

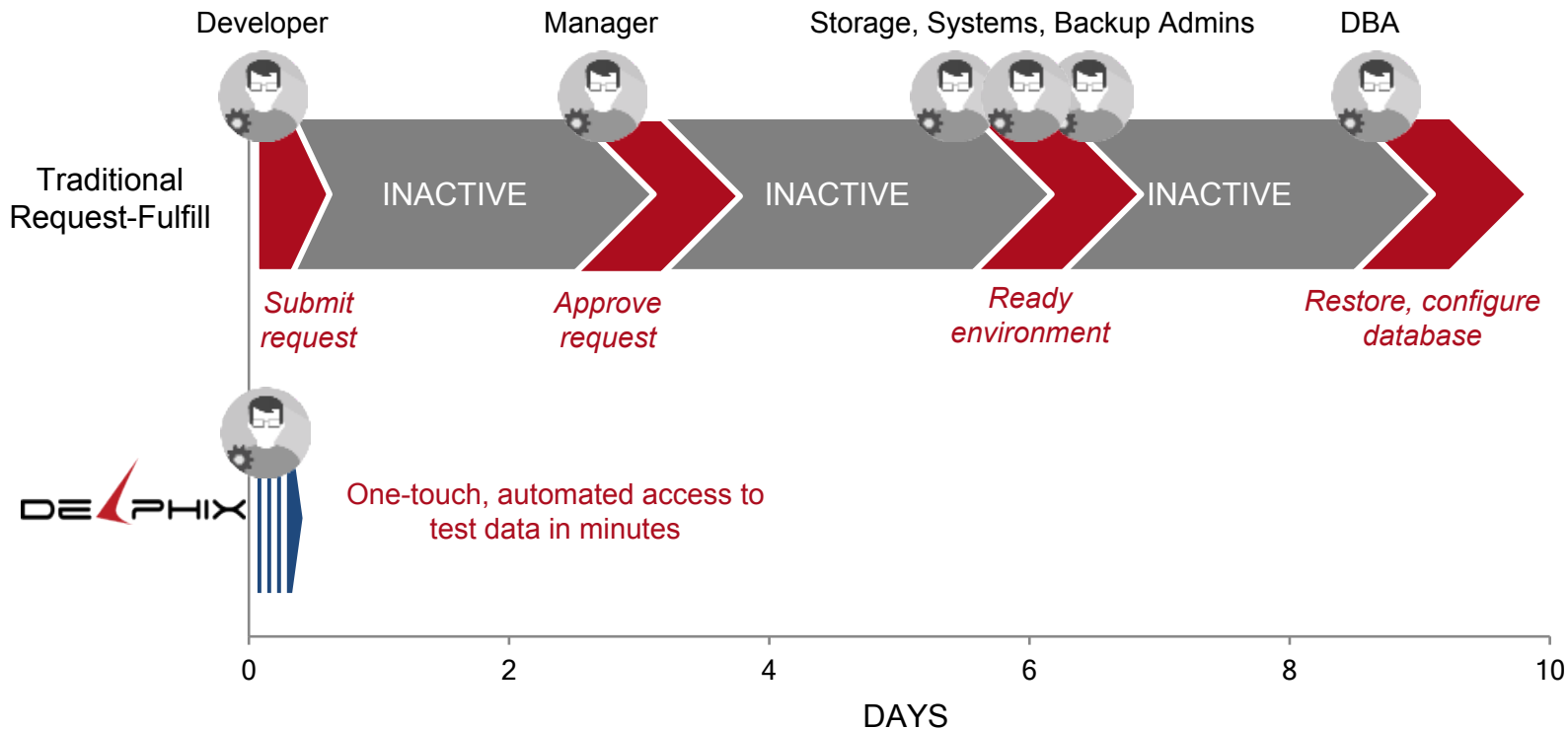


JetStream and Timeflow – Your Best Friends...

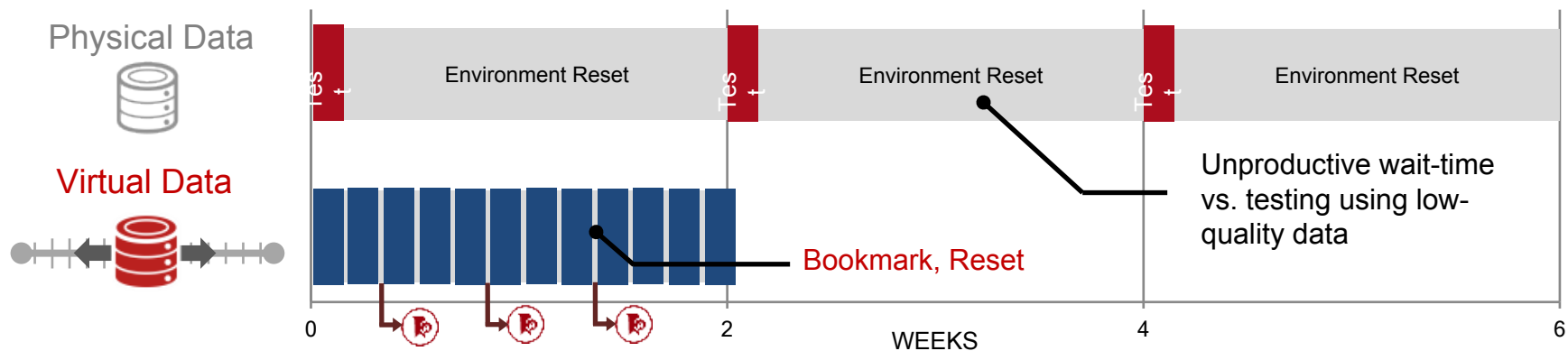


- Timeflow as seen in JetStream
- Data-as-a-Service on a red carpet!
- DBAs/Developers/QA Testers can rewind the entire system to a specific point-in-time or to a specific user-defined bookmark... 1 click and voila!
- Working on multiple branches and sharing datasets between groups
- ALL OF THAT done in seconds

On-Demand Access to Test Data



Improve Test Coverage with Bookmark, Reset



99% Less Downtime

Quickly bookmark, reset data to execute more testing in less time

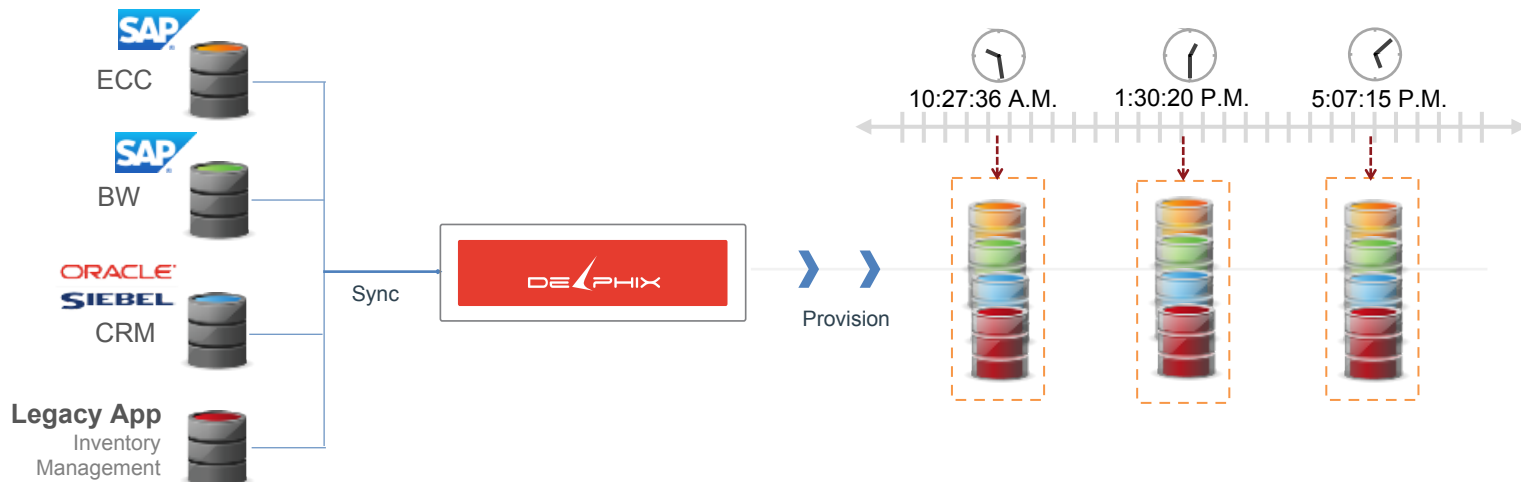
Version Control

Orchestrate and align the right data with application code to improve test quality

Data Federation

Set up and rollback integrated test environments across multiple apps

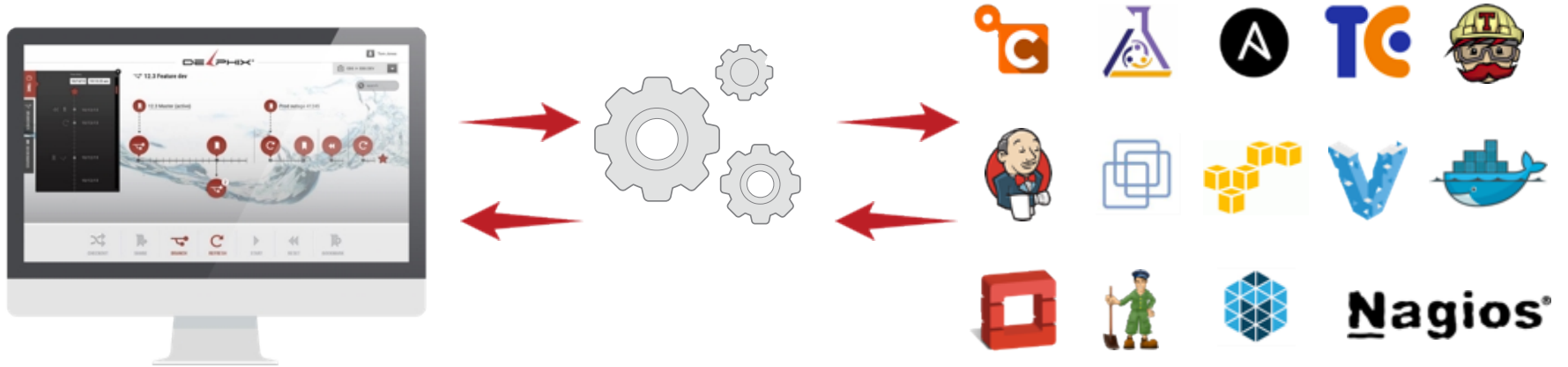
Streamline end-to-end integration testing



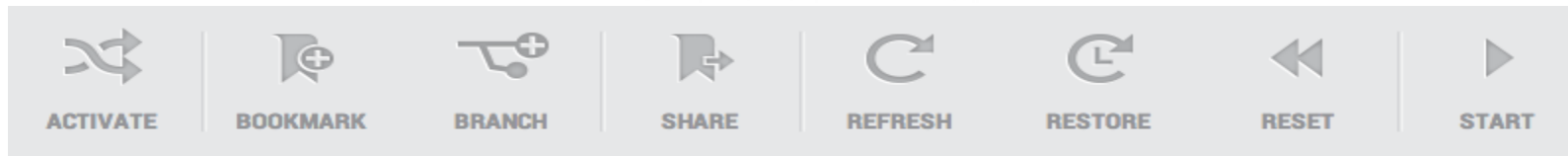
- Federate data to the same point in time across apps
- Enable faster releases, higher-quality testing

DevOps Readiness

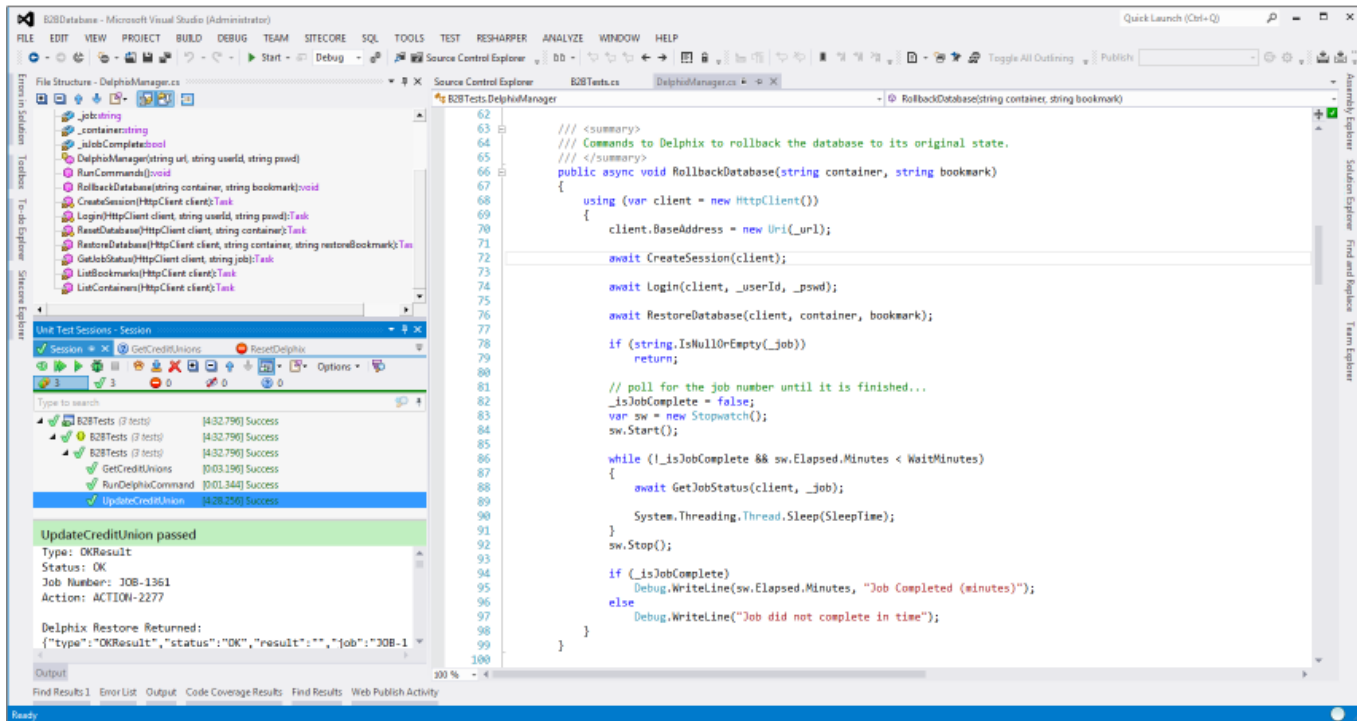
- Delphix APIs enable ready integration with existing DevOps tools and workflows



Demonstration: Delivering Self-Service Data



Regional Customer Sees Faster Time-to-Market



The screenshot shows the Visual Studio IDE with a C# test file open. The code defines a test method `RollbackDatabase` that uses `HttpClient` to interact with a Delphix API. The test includes logic to create a session, login, and poll for job completion until it is finished. The test results window shows that the test passed successfully.

```

62
63
64 // <summary>
65 // Commands to Delphix to rollback the database to its original state.
66 // </summary>
67 public async void RollbackDatabase(string container, string bookmark)
68 {
69     using (var client = new HttpClient())
70     {
71         client.BaseAddress = new Uri(_url);
72
73         await CreateSession(client);
74
75         await Login(client, _userId, _pwd);
76
77         await RestoreDatabase(client, container, bookmark);
78
79         if (string.IsNullOrEmpty(_job))
80             return;
81
82         // poll for the job number until it is finished...
83         _isJobComplete = false;
84         var sw = new Stopwatch();
85         sw.Start();
86
87         while (!_isJobComplete && sw.Elapsed.Minutes < WaitMinutes)
88         {
89             await GetJobStatus(client, _job);
90
91             System.Threading.Thread.Sleep(SleepTime);
92         }
93         sw.Stop();
94
95         if (!_isJobComplete)
96             Debug.WriteLine(sw.Elapsed.Minutes, "Job Completed (minutes)");
97         else
98             Debug.WriteLine("Job did not complete in time");
99     }
100
  
```

Test Results Summary:

Test Name	Duration	Status
B2BTests (7 tests)	[4:32.790]	Success
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GetCreditUnions	[0:03.190]	Success
RunDelphixCommand	[0:01.344]	Success
UpdateCreditUnion	[0:28.250]	Success

UpdateCreditUnion passed

Type: OKResult
 Status: OK
 Job Number: JOB-1361
 Action: ACTION-2277

Delphix Restore Returned:
 {"type": "OKResult", "status": "OK", "result": "", "job": "JOB-1"}

- Used Visual Studio to create automated test that depended on data being staged correctly
- Called Delphix from TFS Build to kick off database restore automatically
- Waited for restore to complete (4-7 minutes) before running automated test, guaranteeing same initial state every time.

Regional Customer Sees Upgrade Project Acceleration

Delphix Benefits for MIR

- Accelerated Productivity
 - Self-service for MarkitEDM data and code with bookmarks
 - Decoupled external and inner team dependencies
 - Empowered Project Team to operate in Agile and Continuous Delivery mindset

- Improved MarkitEDM Release Cycle Time
 - Provisioning Test environment
 - **Before** Delphix **40** hours every Sprint
 - **After** Delphix **3** hours every Sprint




Completed the MarkitEDM Application Upgrade and Migrations of 30+ databases from Old to New SQL Servers in 12 Weeks.

“Without Delphix and our new Agile Development methods, this type of effort would have been a project in itself, taking between 6-12 months.”

“For an entire month before going live, we were pulling a fresh copy of production daily into our Continuous Integration environment using the Delphix API from TeamCity and performing the MarkitEDM application upgrade. All of this was automated and really helped with our testing.”

1. By removing dependencies we have reduced delivery of databases by **several** weeks
2. Business need for project teams to quickly provision test environments with data and code to enable agile development and testing
3. Reproduction of defect using Delphix shared bookmarks
4. Simplified execution and re-validation for Engineered Test Suite

Delphix: Data at the Speed of Business

QUALITY 	SPEED 	COST 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full, faithful, scalable data supporting test operations <p>Result:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hit quality targets, avoid production bugs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1000x increase in test cycles through refresh + reset • 15-minute data standup <p>Result:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects meet accelerated delivery deadlines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delphix deploys on existing infrastructure <p>Result:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revolutionize data delivery without further expense • Deploy without delay



- » 30% revenue increase
- » Monthly to daily releases
- » 5 to 200 test cycles in existing systems



- » 10X test cycle acceleration
- » Competitive edge in mobile, online

Resources

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- Delphix.com

Your Data Has Never Done This Before

An aerial photograph of a city skyline, likely New York City, during sunset. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and light blue. The city is densely packed with skyscrapers. A prominent feature is a horizontal blue band with a fine, repeating pattern that spans the width of the image, positioned in the middle. The text "Data at the Speed of Business" is centered within this band.

Data at the
Speed of Business



Regulatory reporting – massive storage savings with significantly greater capabilities

- Expanded from 140 to 540 environments
- Increased online history from 1 to 90 days of history
- Reduced storage from 286 to 7 TB (98%)



Deployed 14K masked VDBs, saving 5+ PB and reduced release cycles by 50%

“In my 4 years as CIO here at Molina, the best ROI of any technology investment that I’ve made has been with Delphix.” – Rick Hopfer



Separated 450 SAP systems with <2 hours of downtime during go-live

“Delphix allowed us to complete the largest corporate separation in history, on time, with low risk.” – Ralph Loura, CIO



Deployed 300 VDBs in 3 days vs. 125 days.

“The demand internally is so large that we are trying our best to hold people off so we can keep up with the requests to use Delphix.”



Refresh data in 20 minutes vs. 12 hours.

“This quarter, we refreshed 1,638 times. On average, it takes 12 hours before and 20 minutes now to refresh. That’s a savings of 40,956 hours this quarter.”

Delphix Value Domains

Development & Testing

- Reduce project/release cycles 50%
- Reduce data tasks from days/weeks to minutes
- Reduce non-prod storage by 90%
- Eliminate data risk in non-prod
- Debug with current production data
- Increase business velocity at reduced risk

Analytics, Modeling, & Reporting

- As much data as you want
- As many copies as you want
- Refreshed whenever you want – in minutes
- Eliminate batch job dependency and simplify ETL
- Fully masked or not – your choice

Regulatory Reporting

- Synchronized history across many sources – accessible to any point in minutes
- Significantly simplify data collection
- Massive savings in storage
- Significant data and history at your fingertips

Cloud, Big Data, & DC Migrations

- Migrate 50% faster with 20% volume
- Significantly reduced storage
- Eliminate data risk in non-prod
- Extract prod data anytime of day
- Seamless migration

Data Protection / Recovery

- Industry-changing simplicity
- Full-function, referential integrity
- Refresh any time and copy often
- Timeline of data allows for rapid recovery from data corruption and failed changes

If you're going to compete in the information economy, you need speed. You need Delphix.