

# Alternative Credit Scoring

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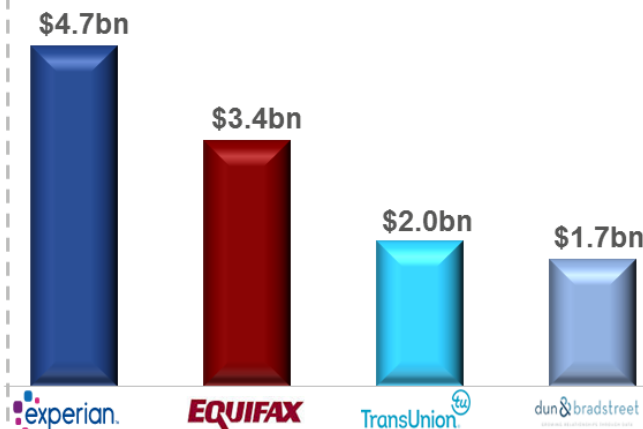
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# Experian – An introduction



## Market leader with unparalleled reach globally



**5 YEARS RUNNING**  
Experian named one of *Forbes* top 100 most innovative companies

## Powering opportunities globally



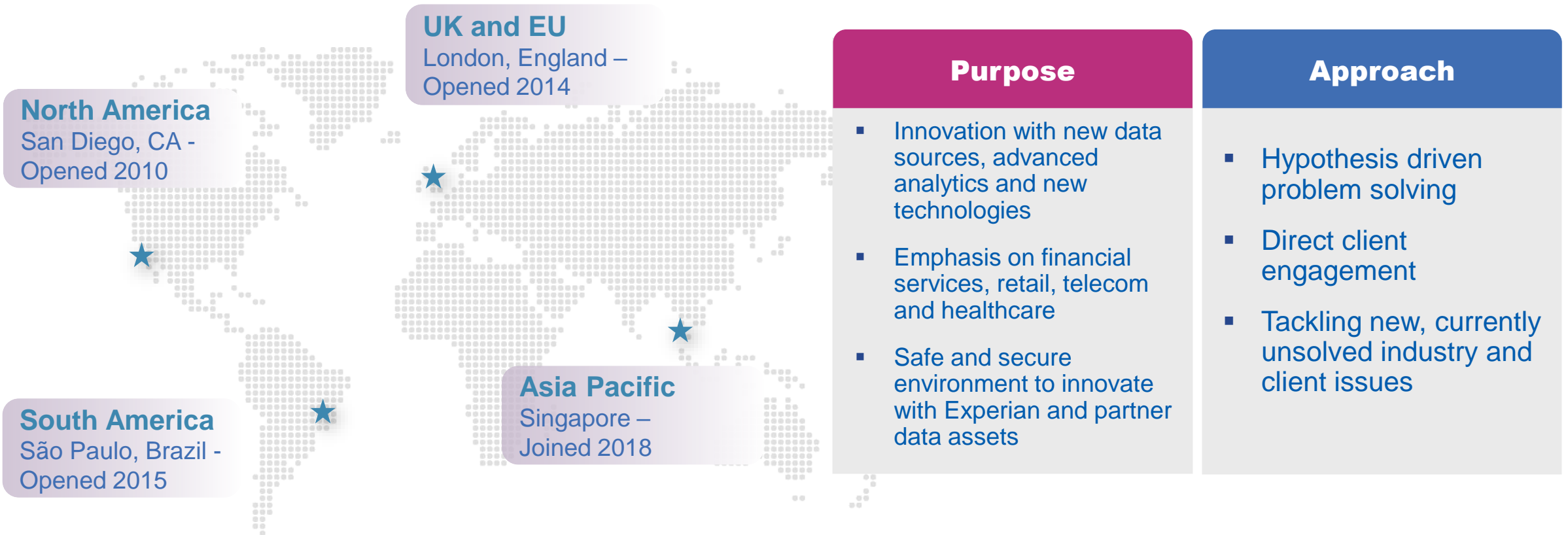
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# Experian DataLabs

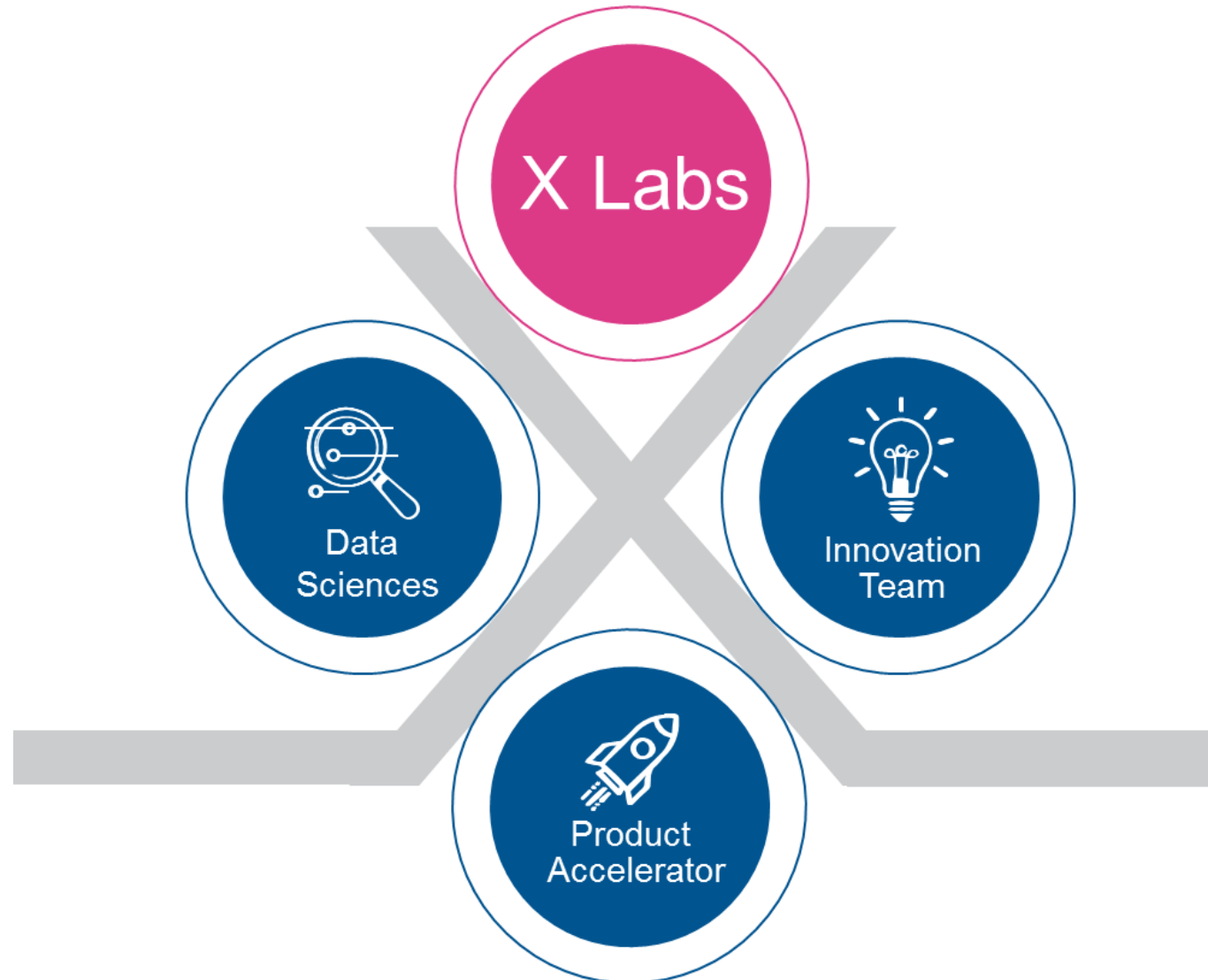
Research and development, innovation and incubation

~100 data scientists, technologists and industry experts focused on innovation



# Experian DataLabs

## Team composition

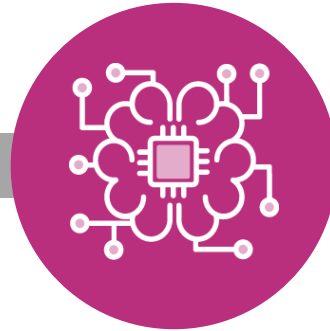


# Experian DataLabs

Team competencies



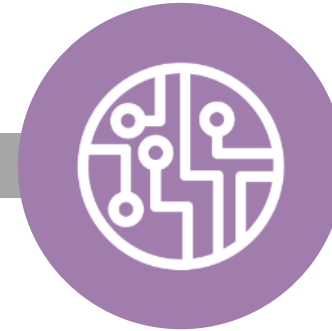
**Artificial  
Intelligence/  
Machine  
Learning**



**Explainable  
Artificial  
Intelligence**



**Advanced  
data science/  
non-linear  
modeling**



**New  
technologies  
/ tech stack  
and  
architecture**



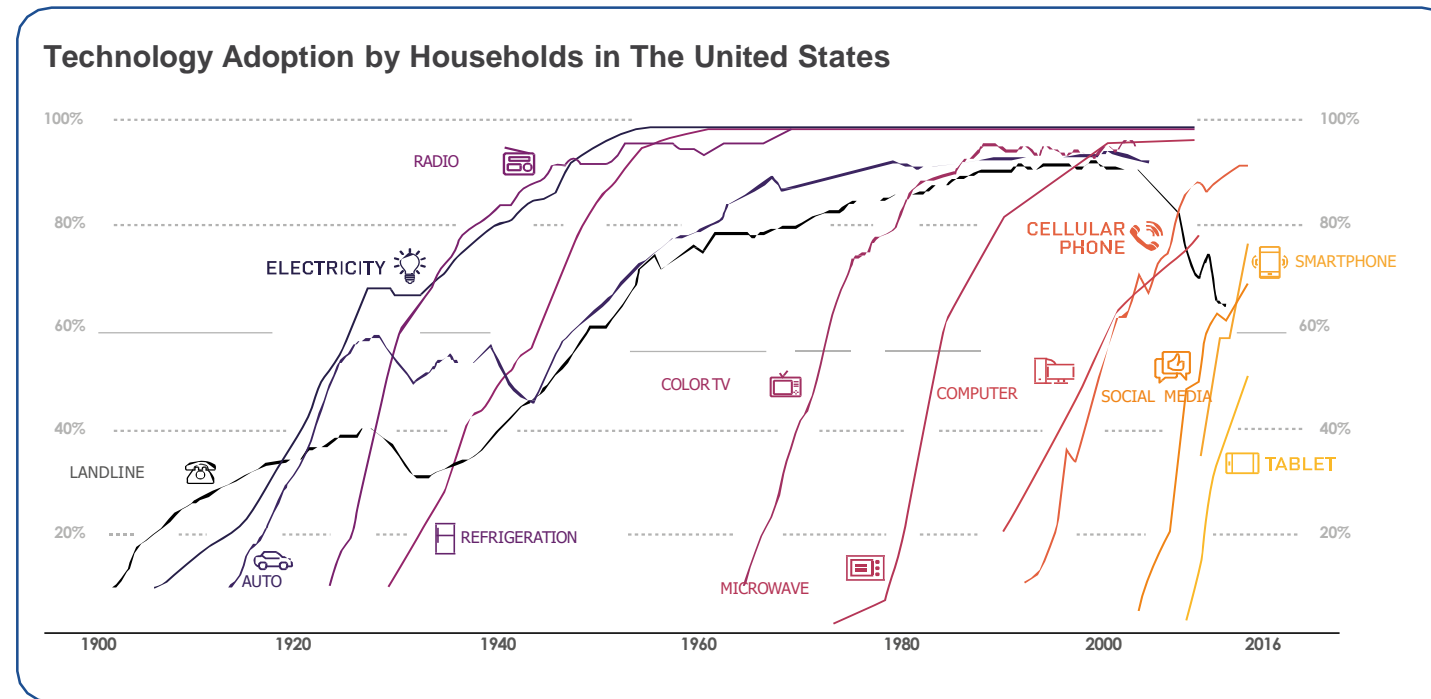
**New data  
source  
integration**

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# Consumer preferences are changing

Faster adoption cycles seem the rule – Digital natives are here to stay



Consumer preferences changing

...leading to increased tech adoption rate

# Aided by the growth in technology capability

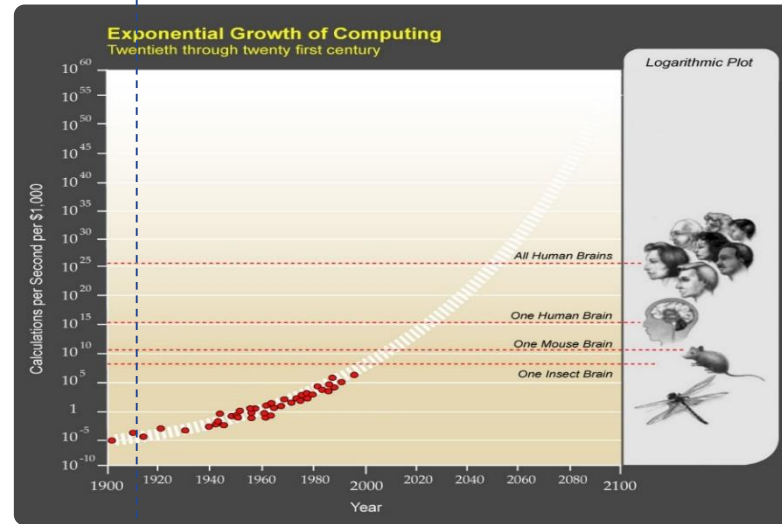
“2.5 quintillion bytes of data created each day...” - IBM



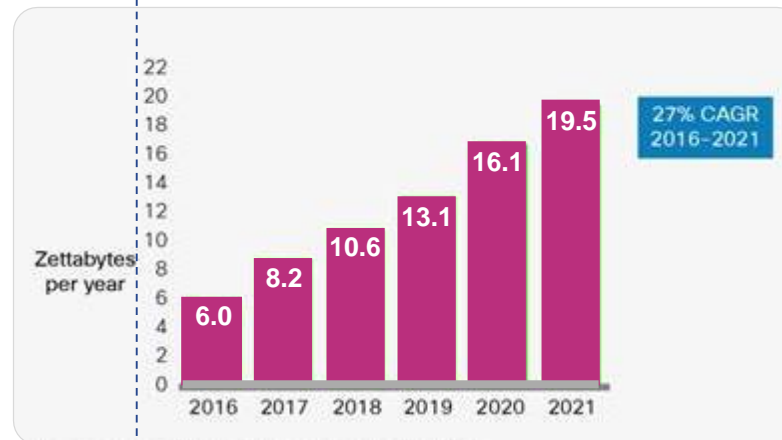
The IBM Model 350 disk file  
a storage space of 5MB  
from **1956**



Sandisk Ultra  
micro SD storage  
space of 128GB  
from **2019**



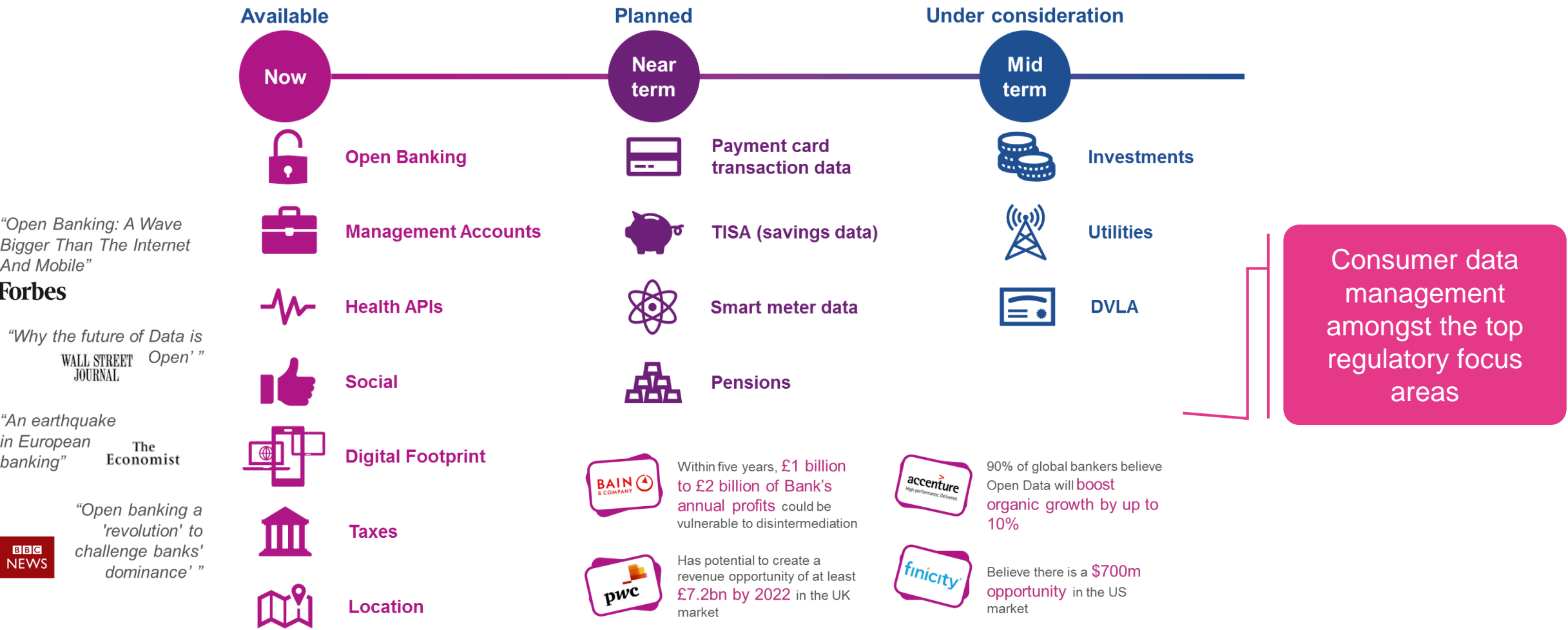
Exponential growth  
of computing power



...and cloud  
processing capacity

# And Open data regulation is adding to the data explosion

Open data will profoundly impact our core markets



# All of this is even more relevant in APac

Most markets in APac are moving with consumer preferences and leap frogging tech generations



## Population

4.3 Bn. Population  
(~60% of the world population)



## Financial Inclusion

~20% of the region is unbanked  
and 60% is credit unincluded



## Mobile Penetration

4 Bn.+ mobile  
connections



## Payments

APac at ~30.9%  
growth.

...Alternate data in  
APac is actually  
data...

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# Multiple components needed to bring alt data models to life

Consumer consent and collaboration based models will be the de-facto standard in the new world

Clients need to be able to make faster, more reliable decisions and with deeper insight than ever before

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## Data

New data in structured and unstructured form needs to be constantly evaluated to keep updating the organizational view of

## Analytics techniques

Advanced analytics and machine learning combined with a wide range of accessible data can aid with problem solving as well as improving products, services and customer insight.

## Platforms

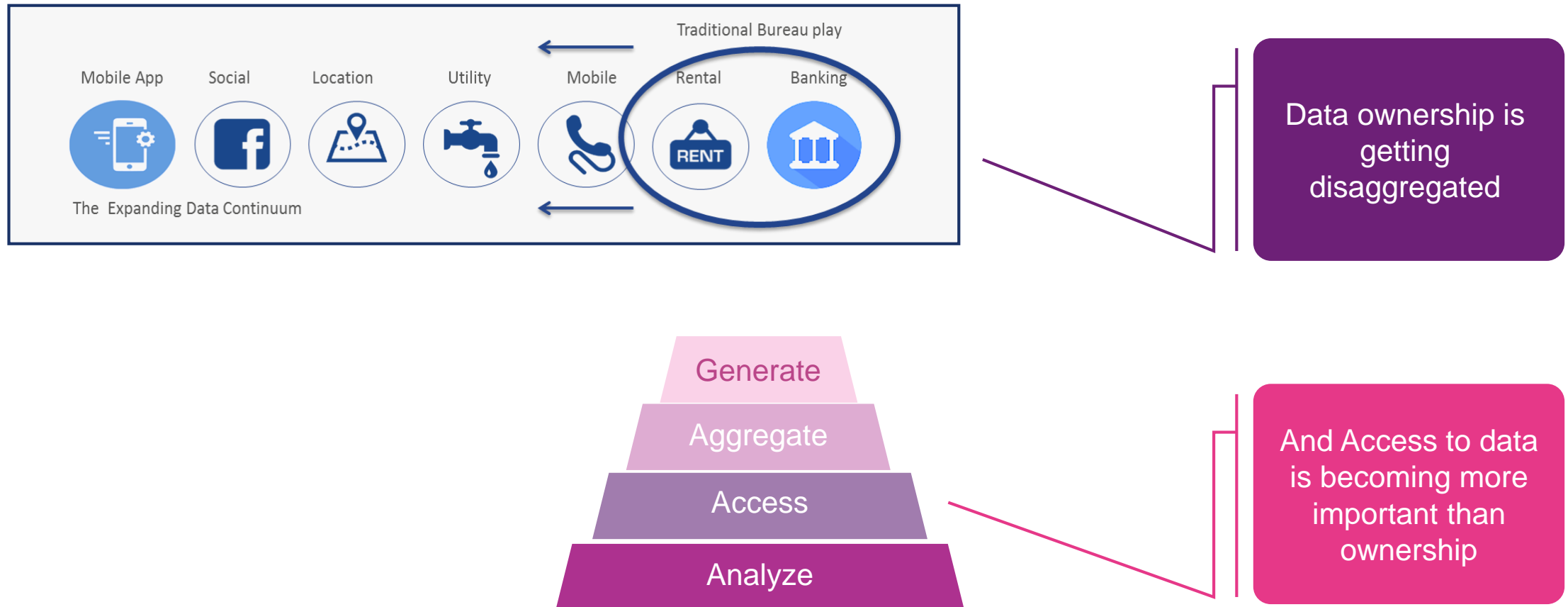
Many businesses are increasing their investment for machine learning and advances analytics however many are still struggling to transform it into insight.

## Collaborative business models

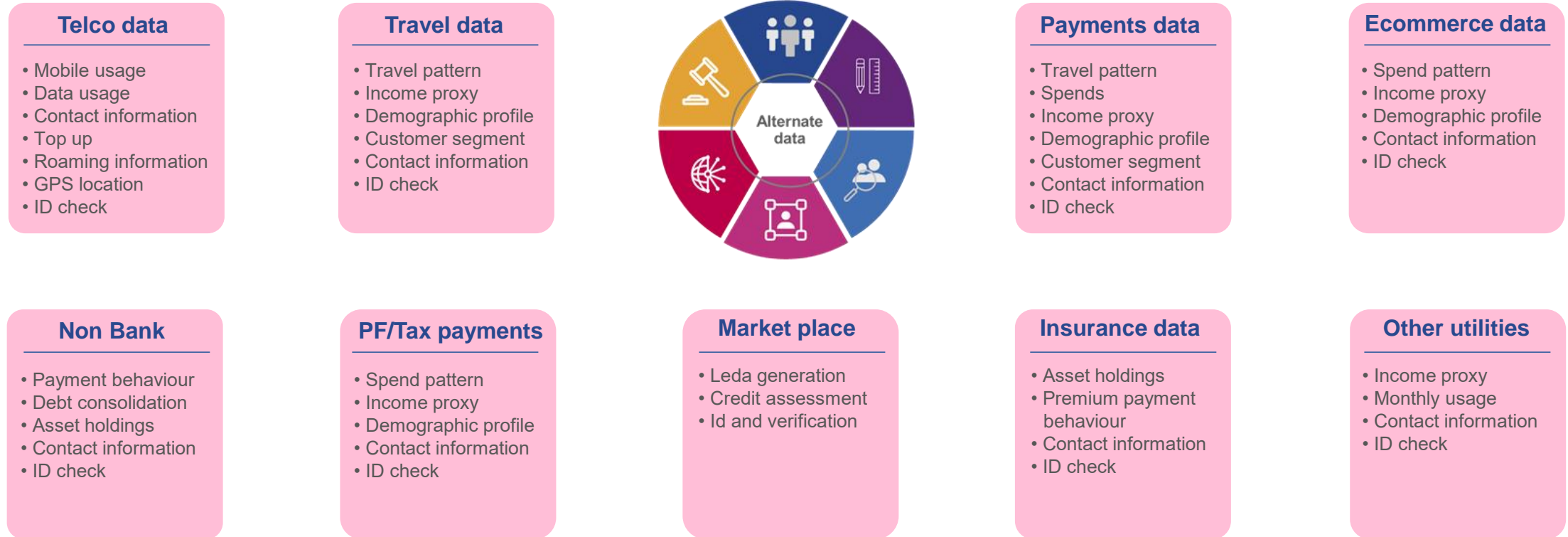
Clients who understand how competitors are using data can begin to see where and why they are taking the competitive edge. This then allows them to respond accordingly.

# Traditional data usage models focused on ownership dying out..

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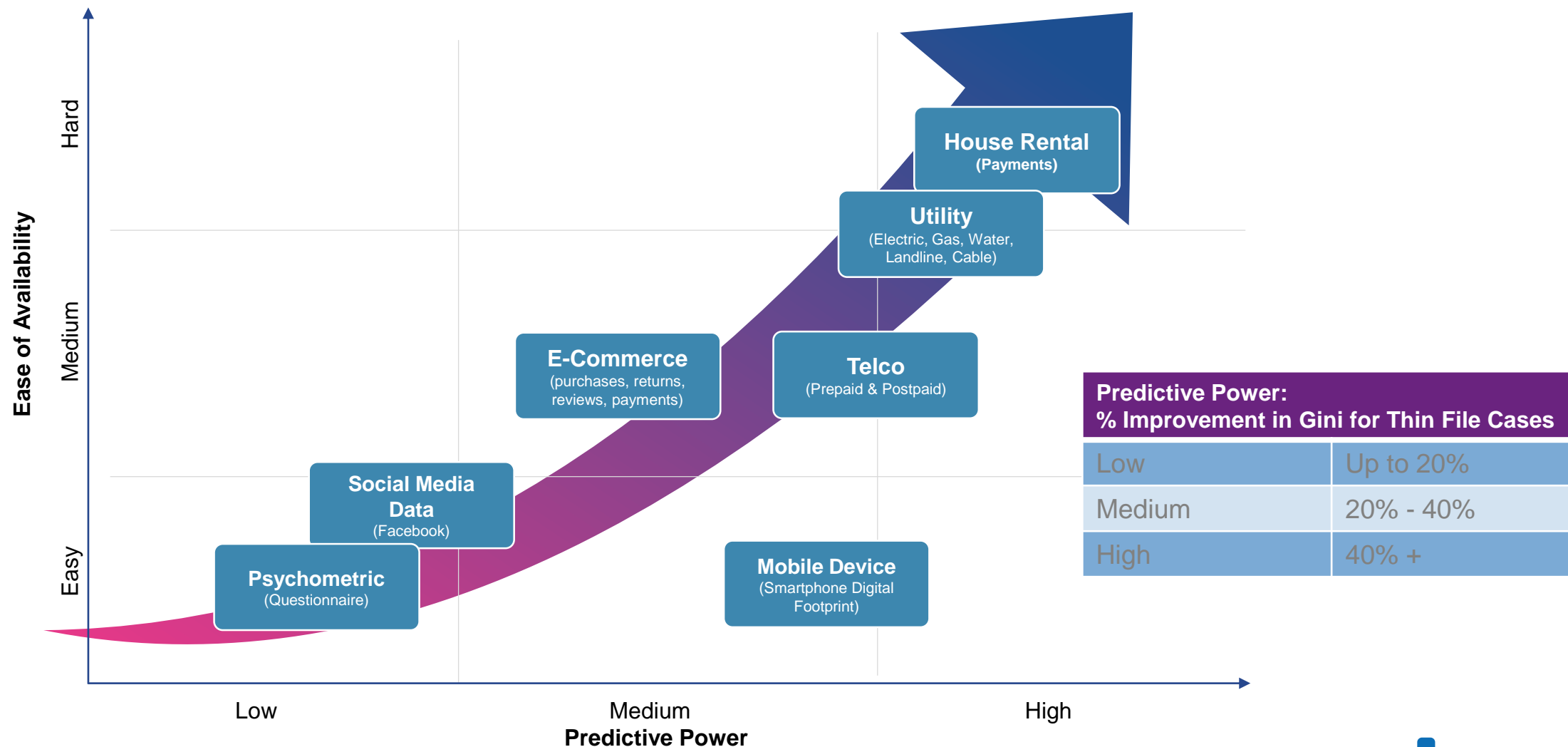


# The alternate data universe is growing



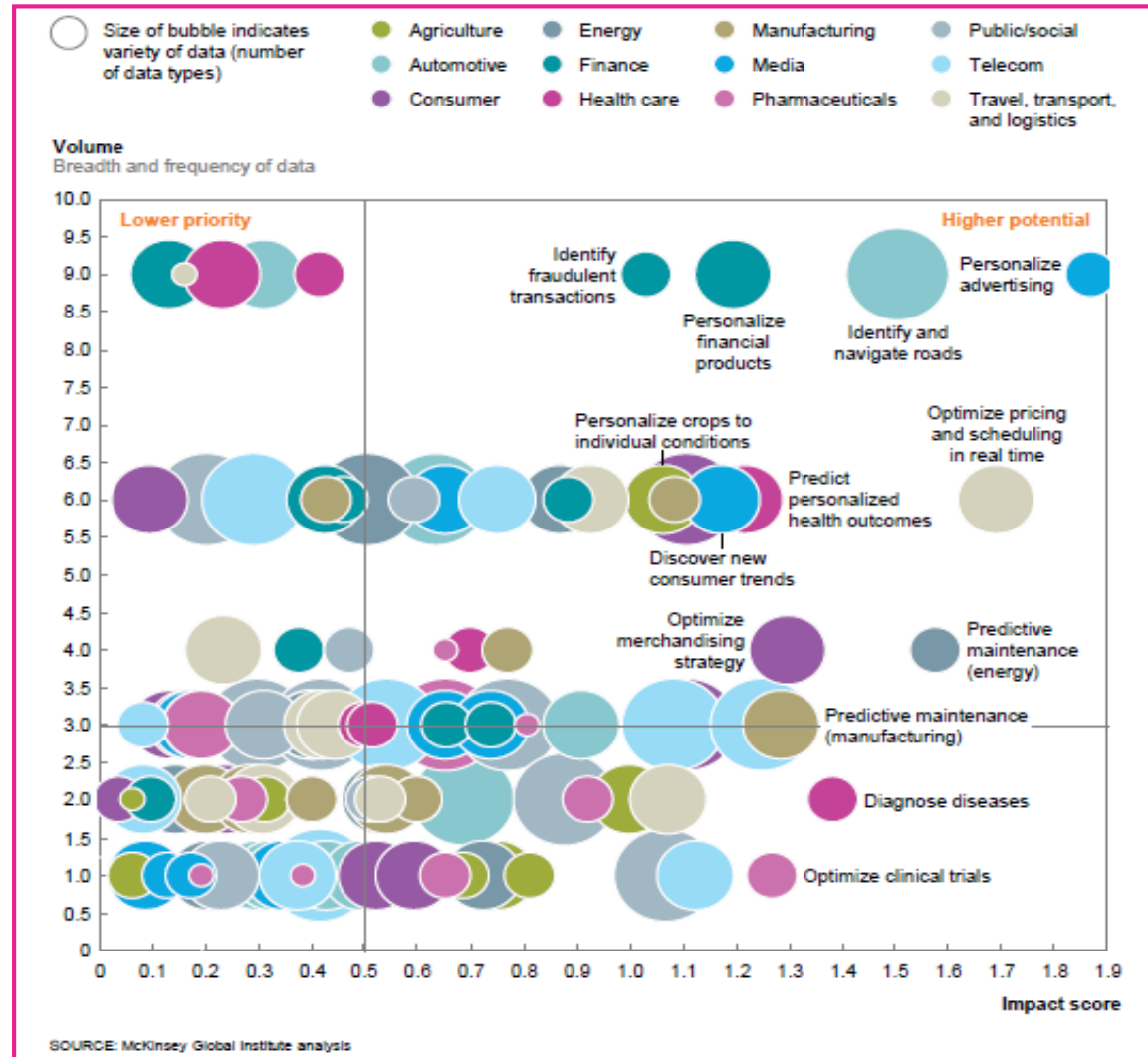
# But not all data is born equal

The right data can provide life of upto 40%+ in Gini



# Use cases of Scoring are growing in the digital world

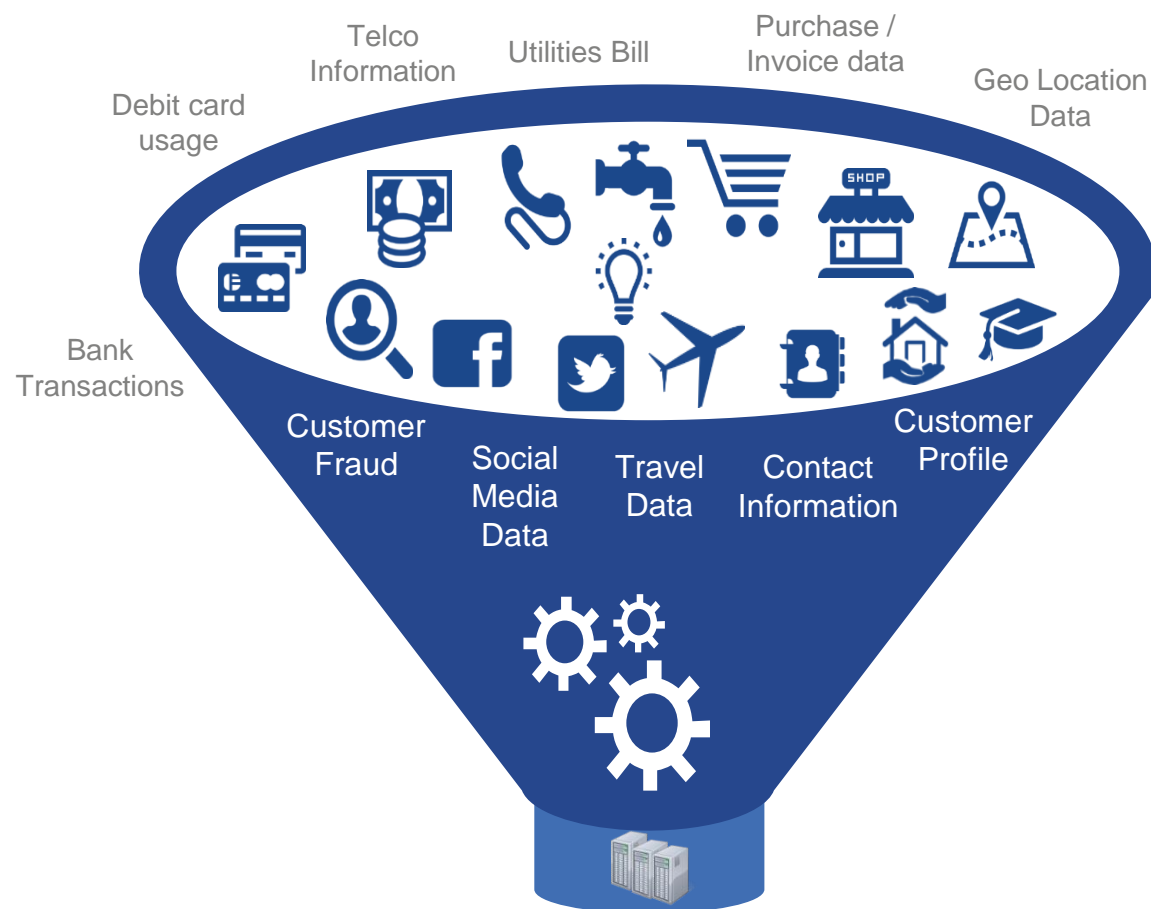
Multiple ways of viewing the consumer necessary given new revenue models



Credit segregation is not the only problem to solve in the current world

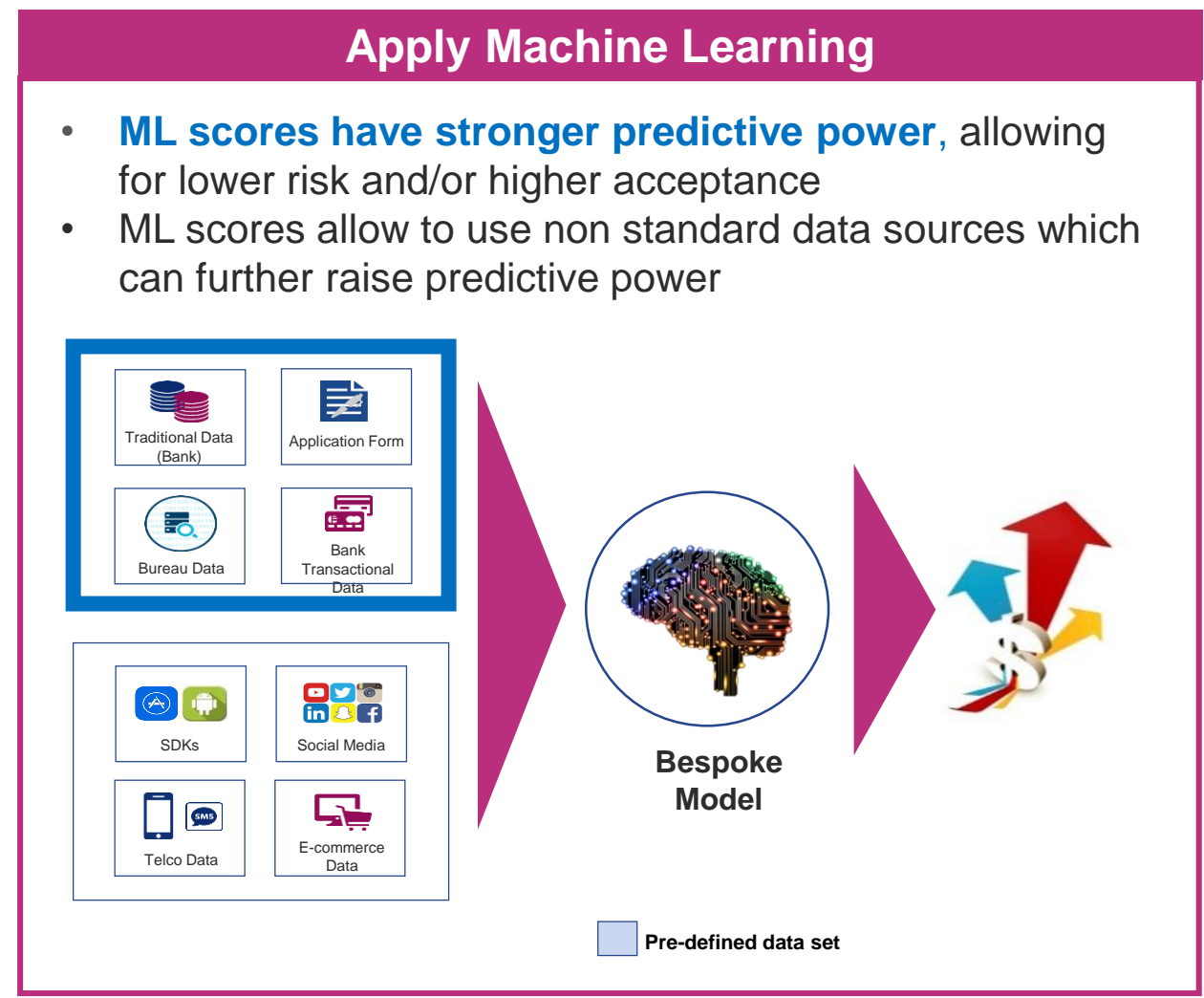
# Other use cases for alternate scoring

Consumer 360 profiles....

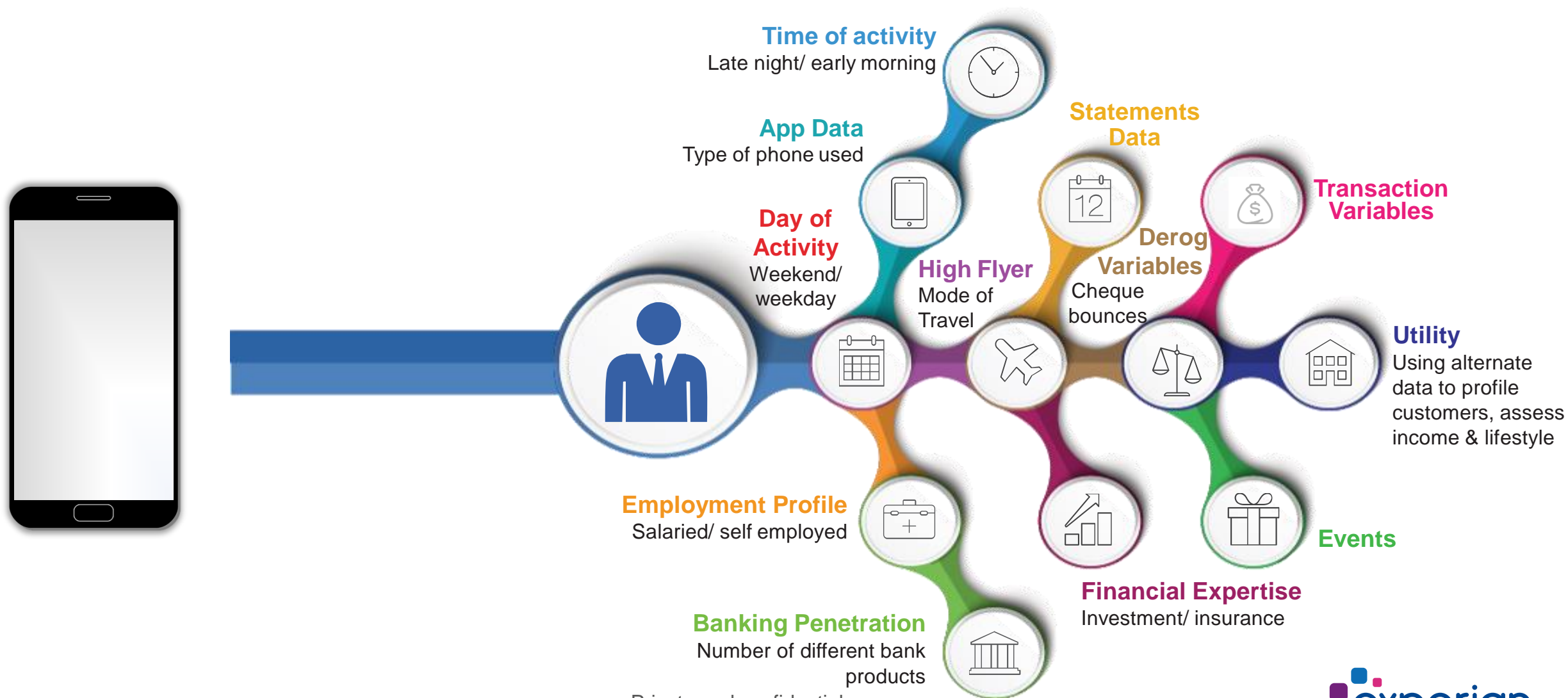


- **Unified risk scoring for credit**
- **Income assessment**
- **Socio-economic Profiling**
- **Identity verification**
- **Fraud detection**
- **And many more use cases**

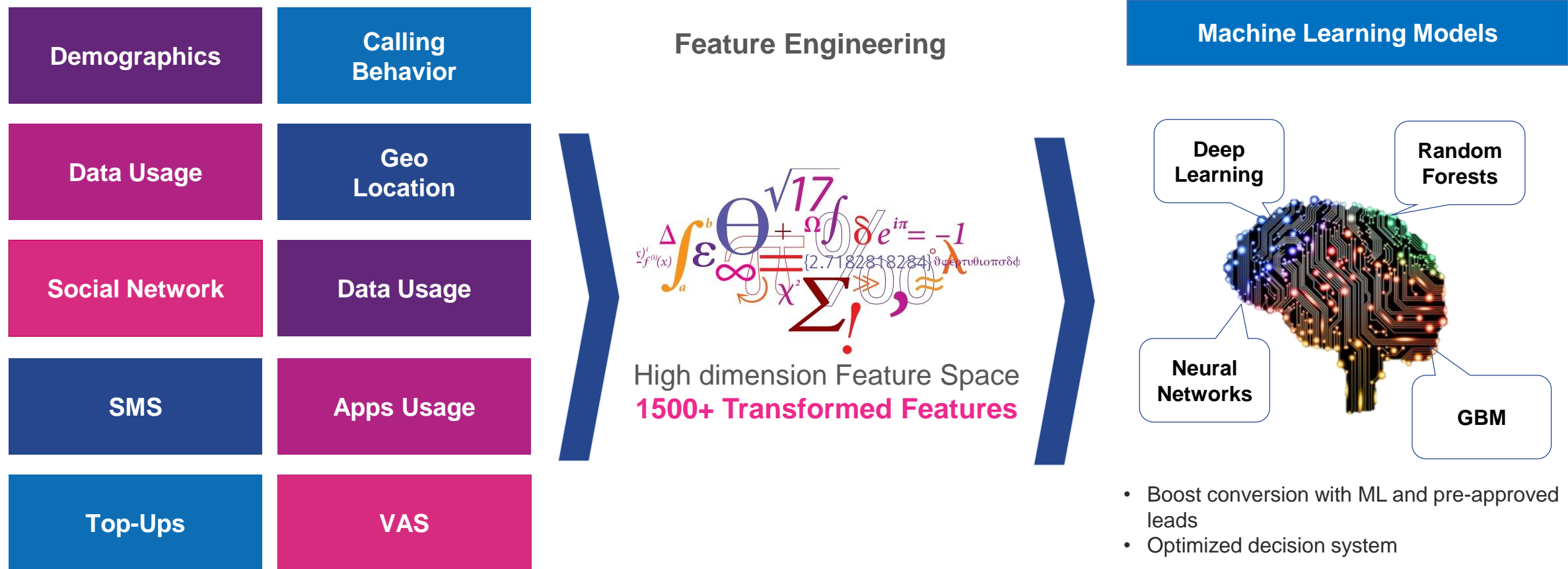
# Modelling with ML for lift



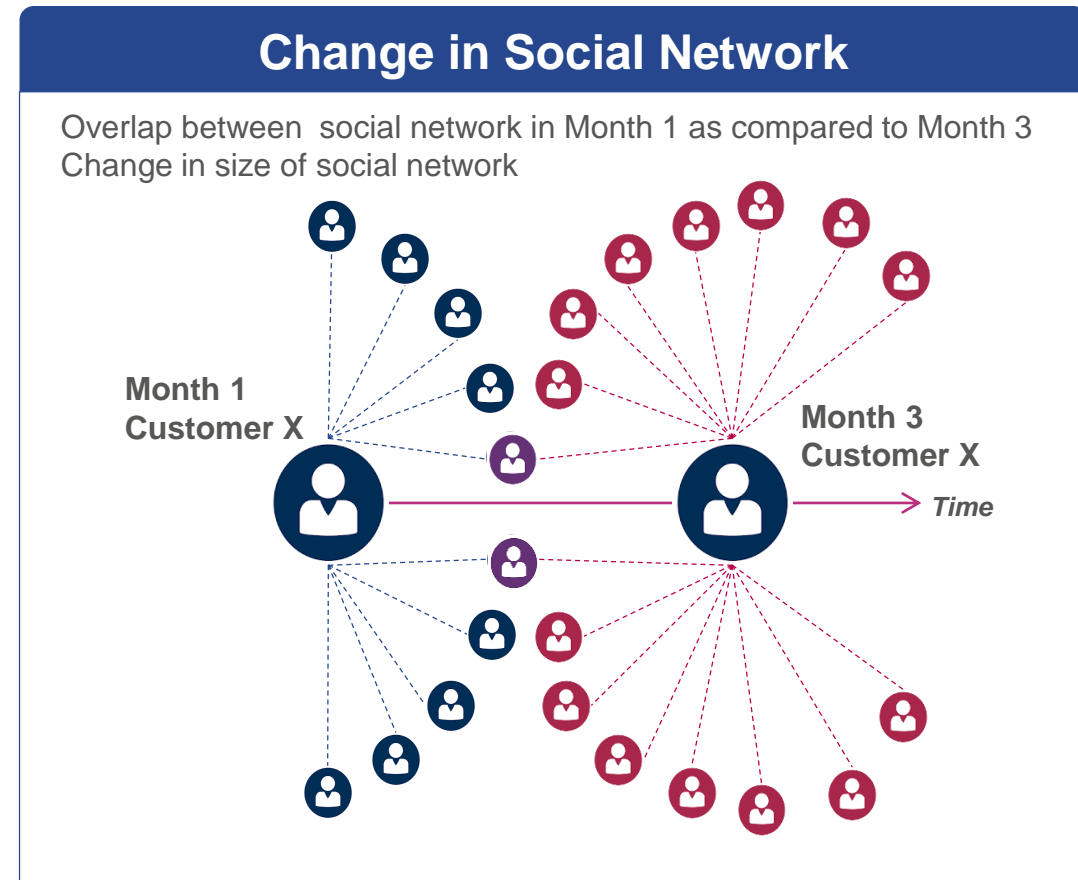
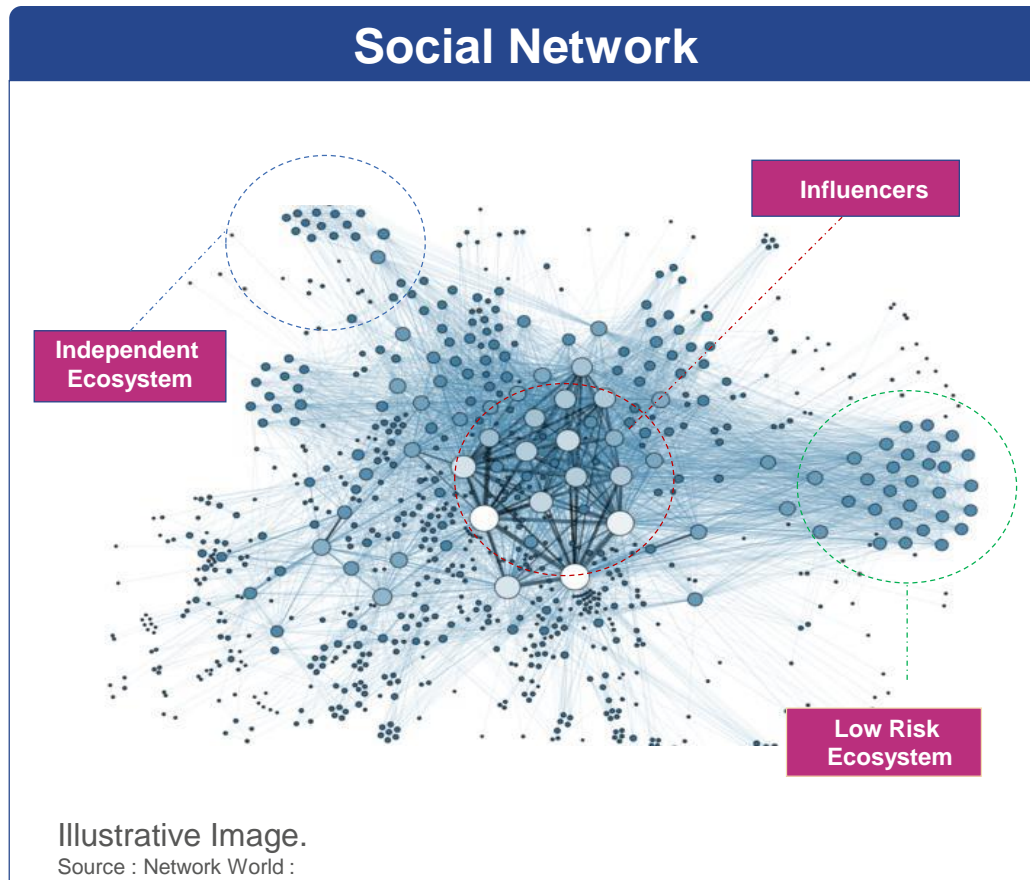
# Modelling with ML for micro segmentation



# ML to model variables to pick micro patterns



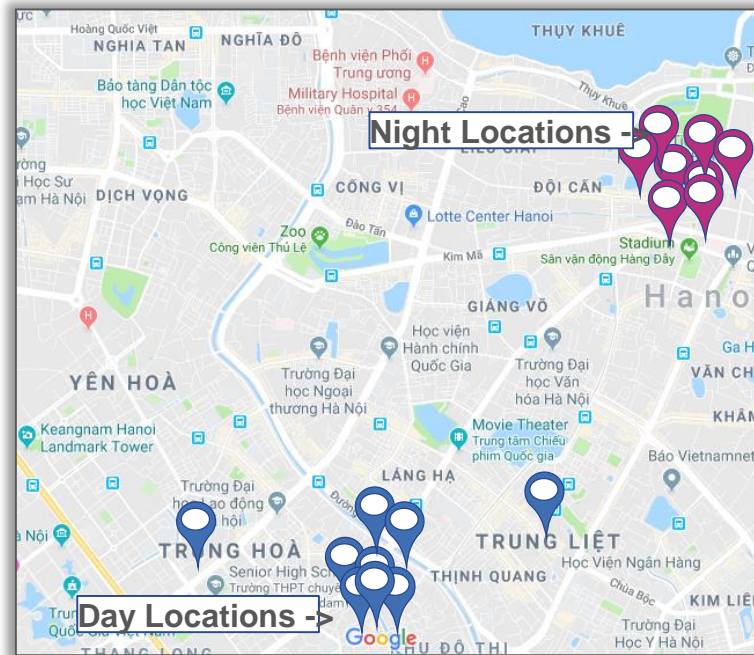
# Network analysis based models



# Using Sensitive information by finding data patterns

## Customer Mobility

The mobility of a customer across weekdays / weekends indicate the type of employment and vehicle ownership

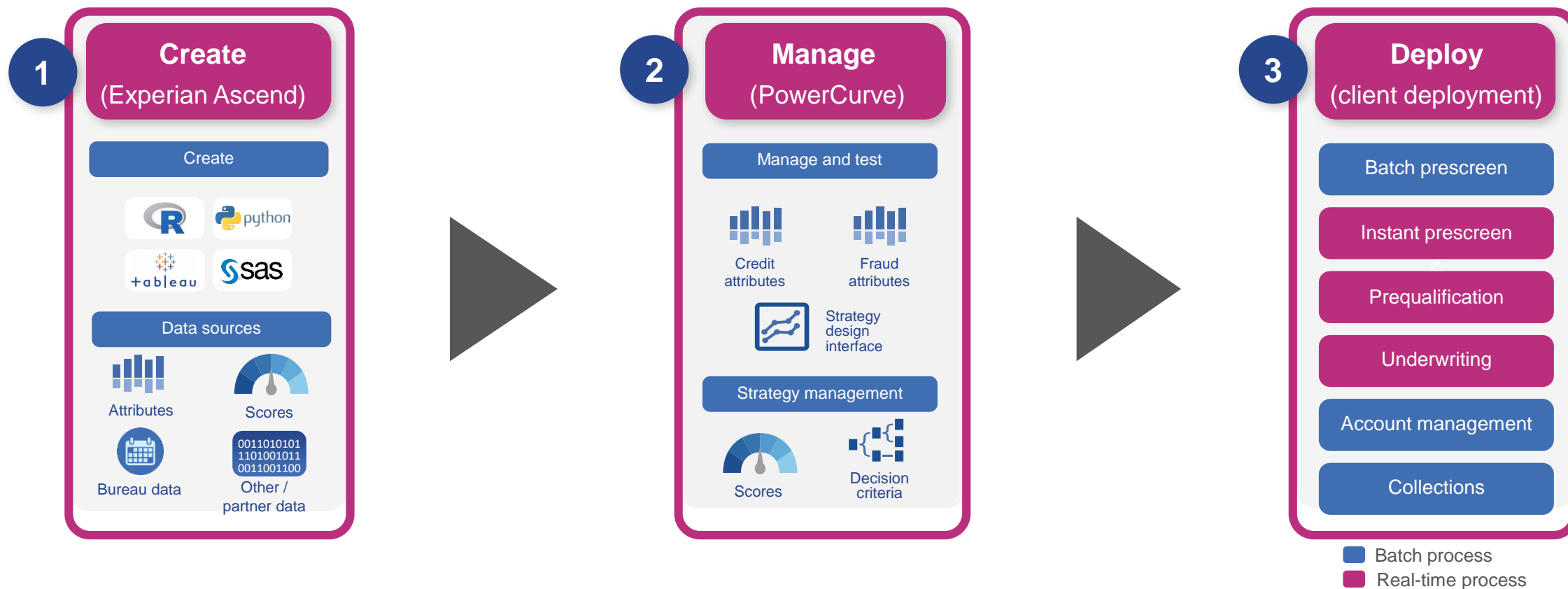


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# Platform capabilities needed to build, manage and deploy

Combining realtime and batch capabilities a requirement

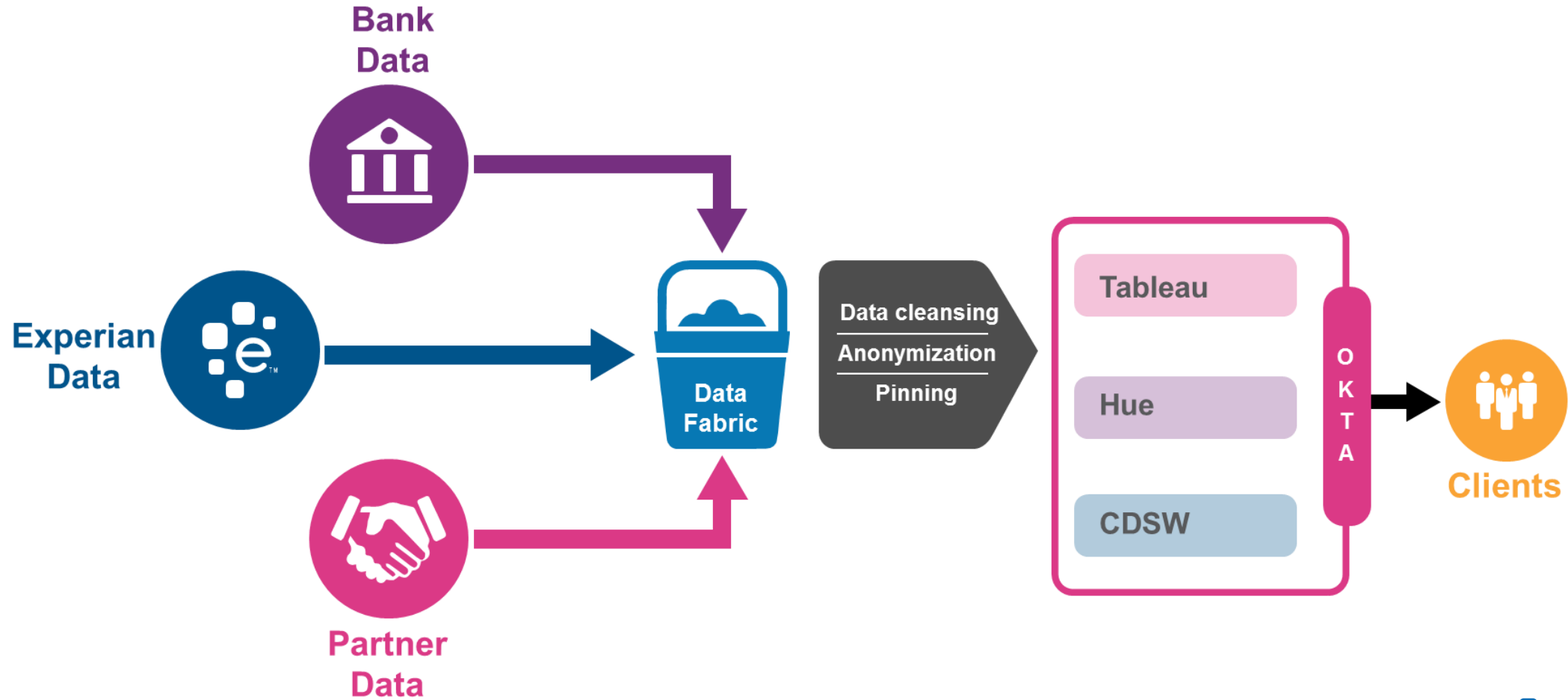


Continuous improvement

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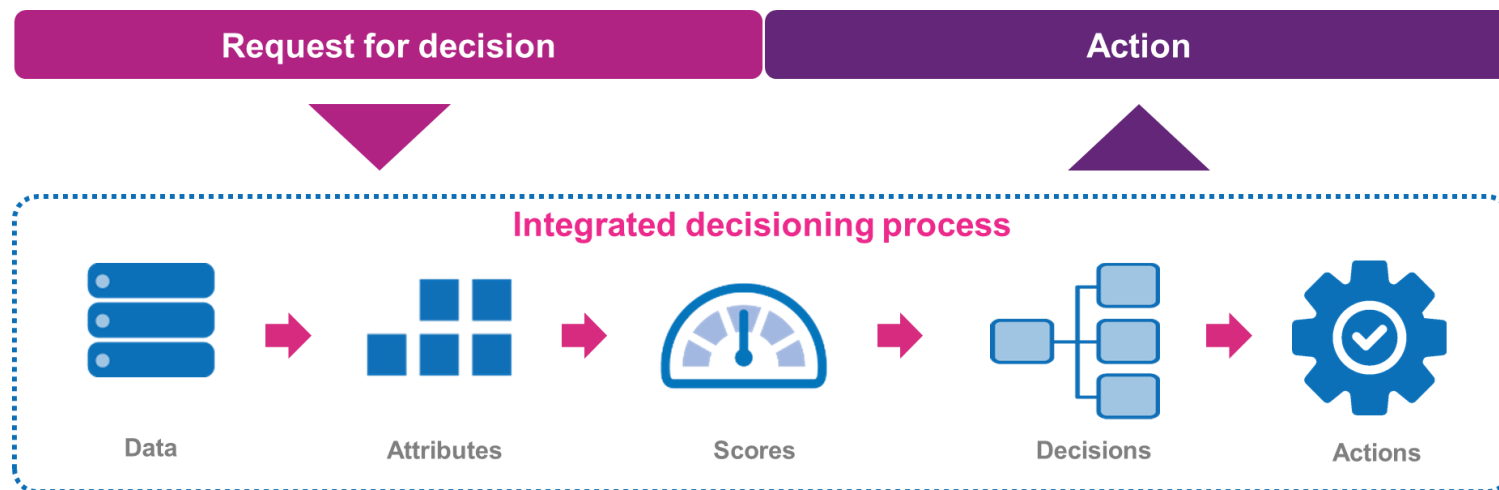
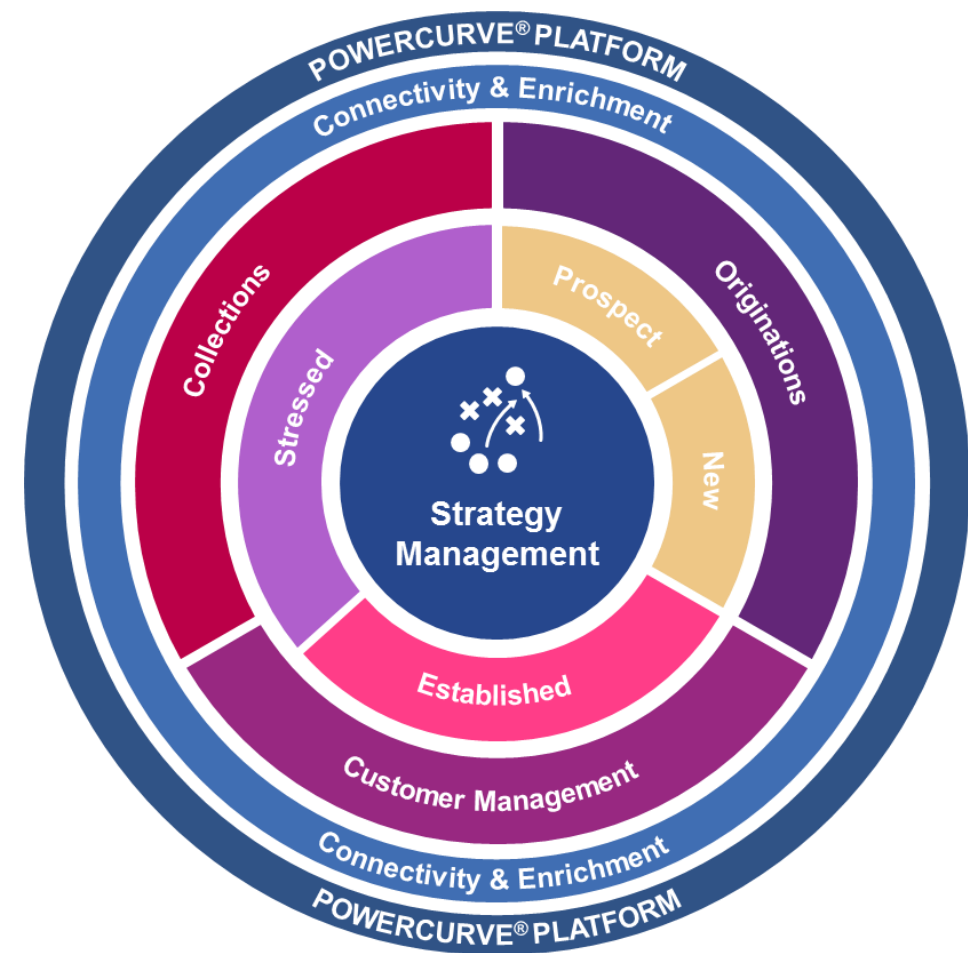
# Platform for model creation...

Data across sources with multiple tools



# Platform for model maintenance and deployment

Ability to manage and deploy multiple models across the lifecycle



Within Experian - PowerCurve® allows organisations to manage and deploy models with ease

# Key platform requirements



Unified  
platform



Integrated  
design studio



Decision execution



Data access



Monitoring  
and reporting



Modular framework

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# Telco Scores



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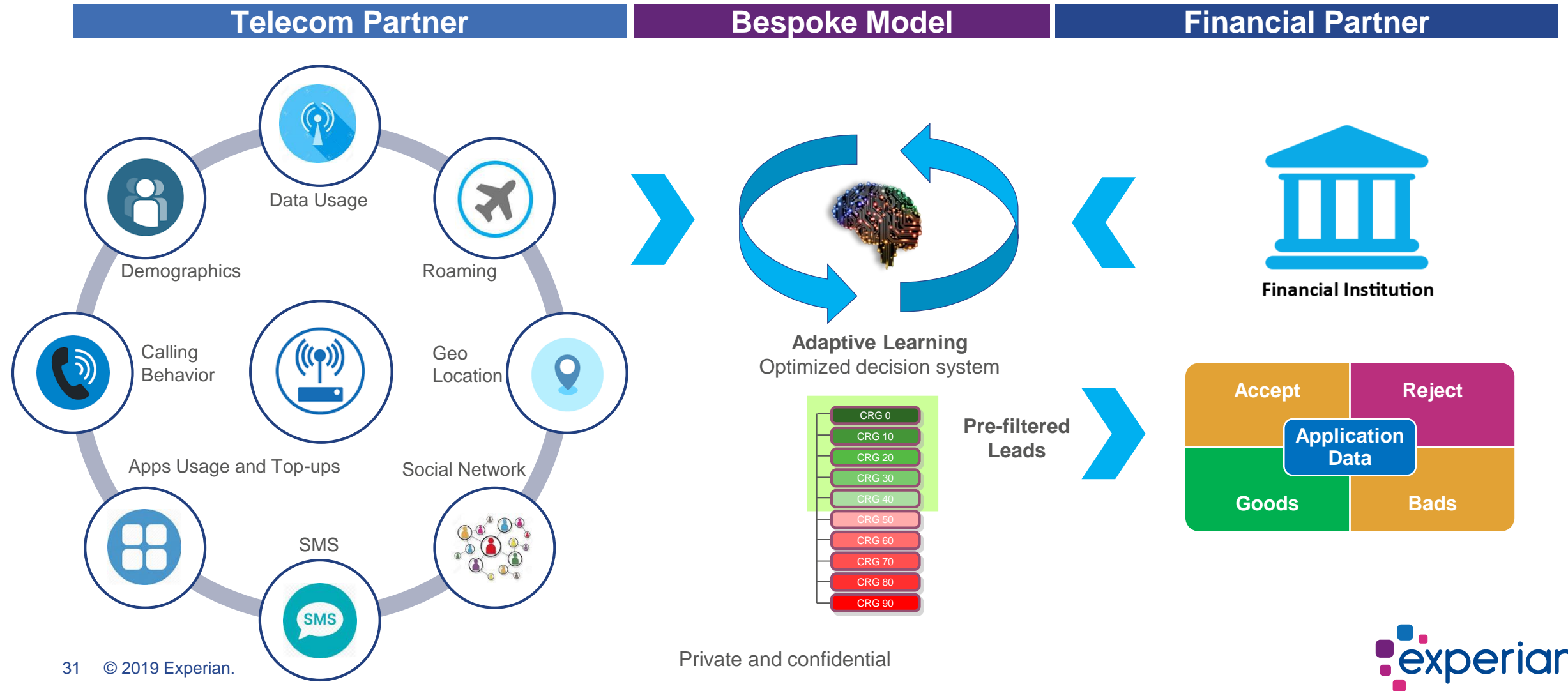
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## Experian:

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# How does Telco data scoring for cash loans work

Entry point to credit inclusion



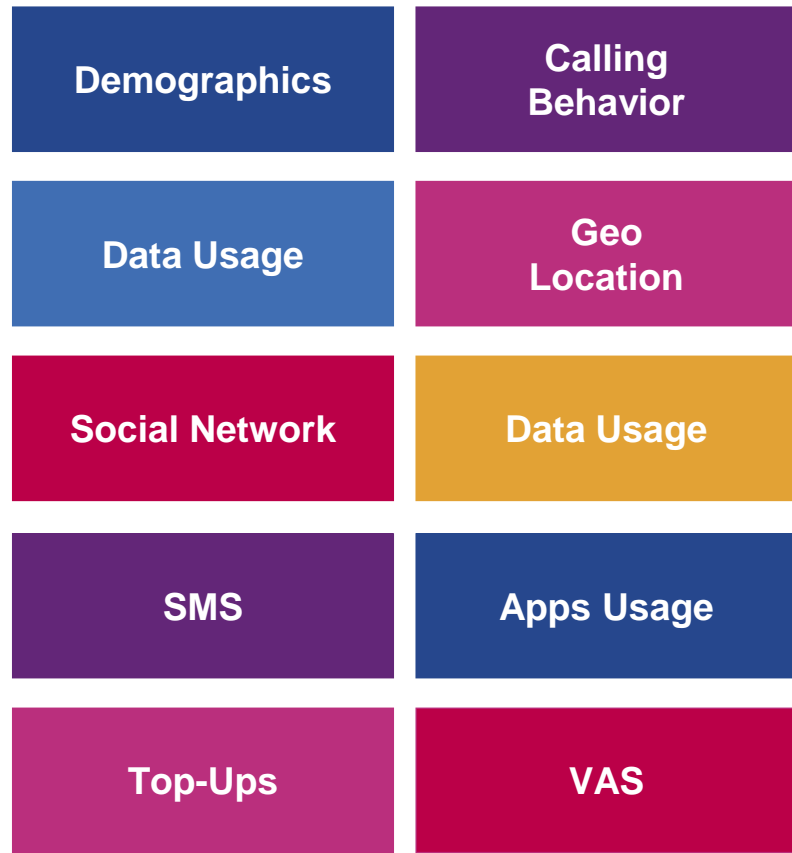
# Attributes collected from Operators for Risk Models

## Illustrative list of variables

<b>Pre Paid/Post Paid</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Information of Activation of Sim card or Tenure of customer along side other details mentioned in the application form</li><li>• Postpaid defaults, credit, churn and payment information. Availability of mobile wallets</li></ul>
<b>Data Usage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Data used, revenue generated from data, hourly usage of data, data related value added services</li><li>• Additional details on applications used, websites browsed over day and night</li></ul>
<b>Geo-Location</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mobility from CDR data, day and night presence, density of location</li><li>• Prominent location with attributes from census, publically available data</li></ul>
<b>Top Up History</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Top-up information, type, size and frequency of top-up along side channel of top-up</li><li>• Channel of bill payment, invoiced amount, payment terms, and mode of payment – Bank, Credit, Wallet information</li></ul>
<b>Calling/SMS Patterns</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Statistics on Call duration/count, calling phone numbers, towers, SMS sent and received</li><li>• Time Of Day calling, weekday/weekend, inactivity, calling consistency</li></ul>
<b>Demographics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Demographics information recorded at the time of customer filing for sim-card</li><li>• Inferred demographic details</li></ul>

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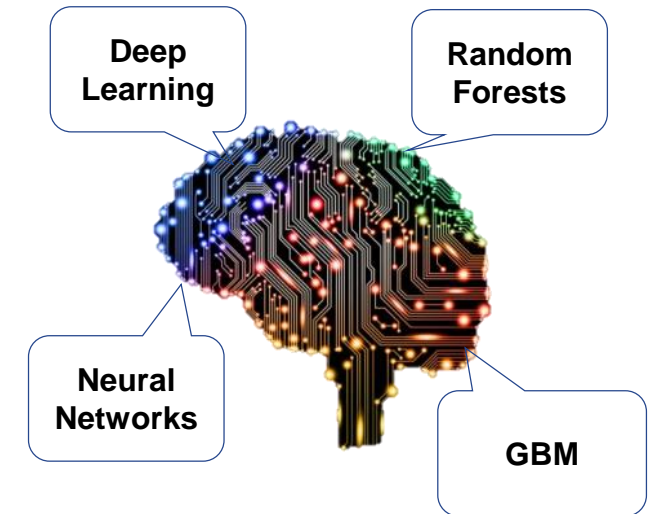


## Feature Engineering



## High dimension Feature Space 1500+ Transformed Features

## Machine Learning Models



- Boost conversion with ML and pre-approved leads
- Optimized decision system

# Some out of the box attribute creation

## Interaction- Ratios

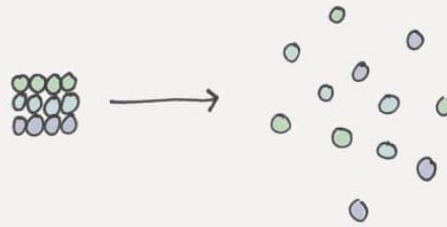
SMS vs Voice

Weekday/Weekend

Day vs Night

Office vs non-office

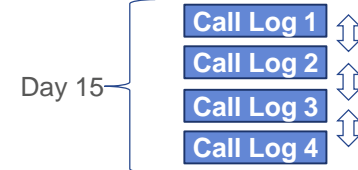
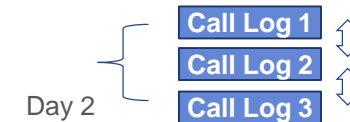
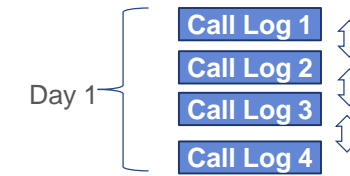
## Entropy



- Geo-location (cell ID)
- Communication
- Time of Day entropy

## Inter Call time gap/User Hibernation

User 1



## Velocity Based Variables

Month 1

Month 2

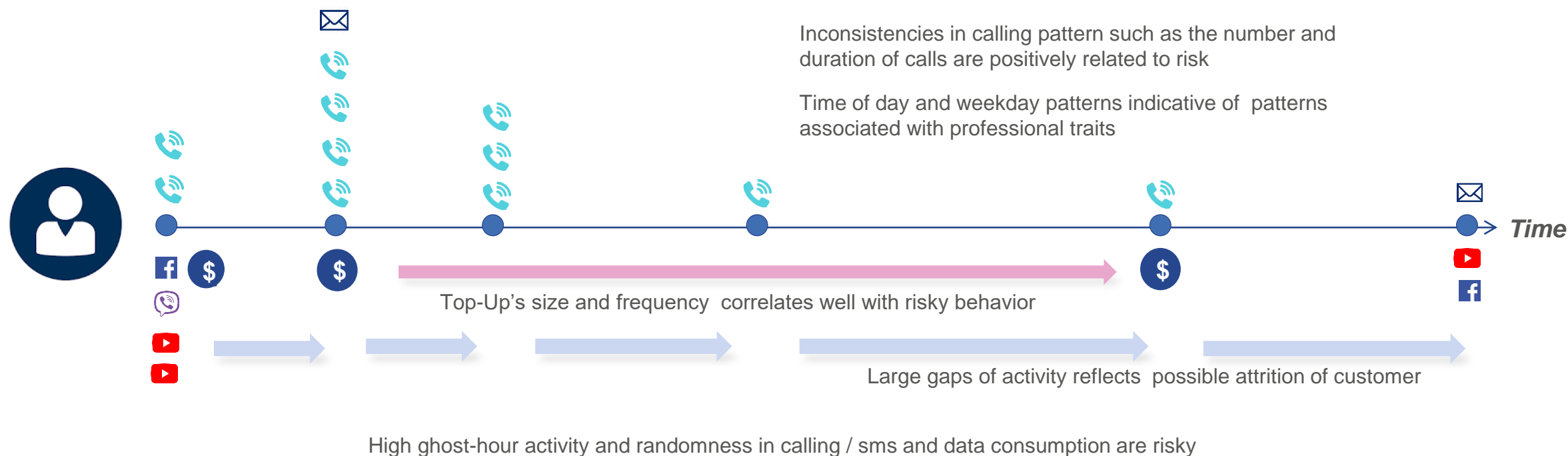
Month 3

Call revenue/Data usage decreasing



# Calling behavior patterns correlates to risk

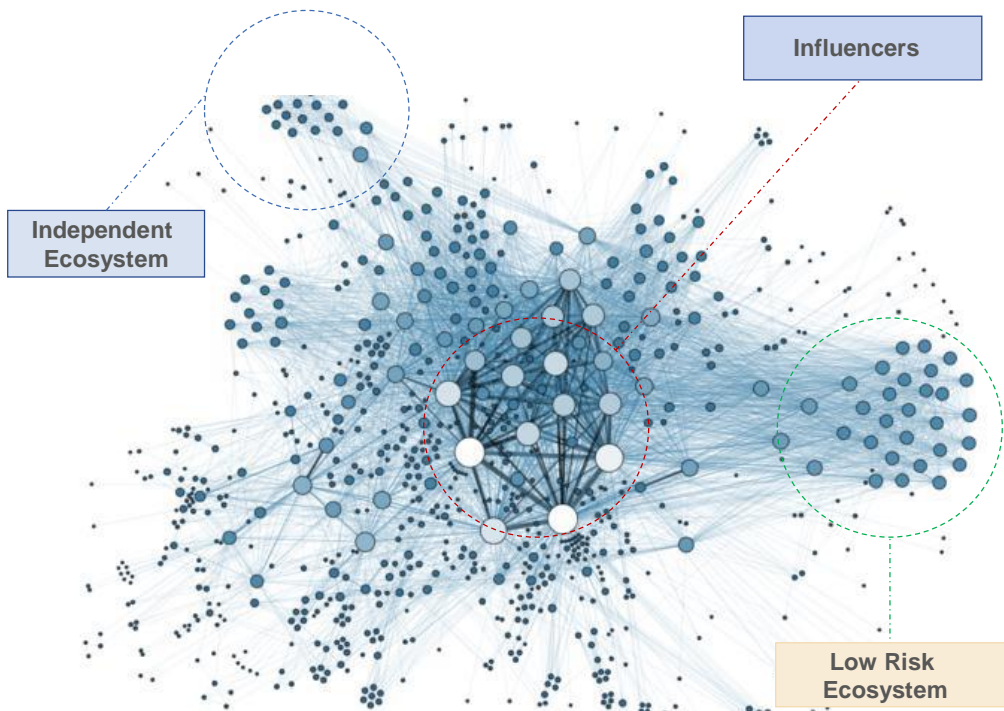
We transform the raw CDR (Call detail records) into behavioral patterns to correlate with risk



# Network Analysis

Depending on the network of the individual we track the change in trends over months

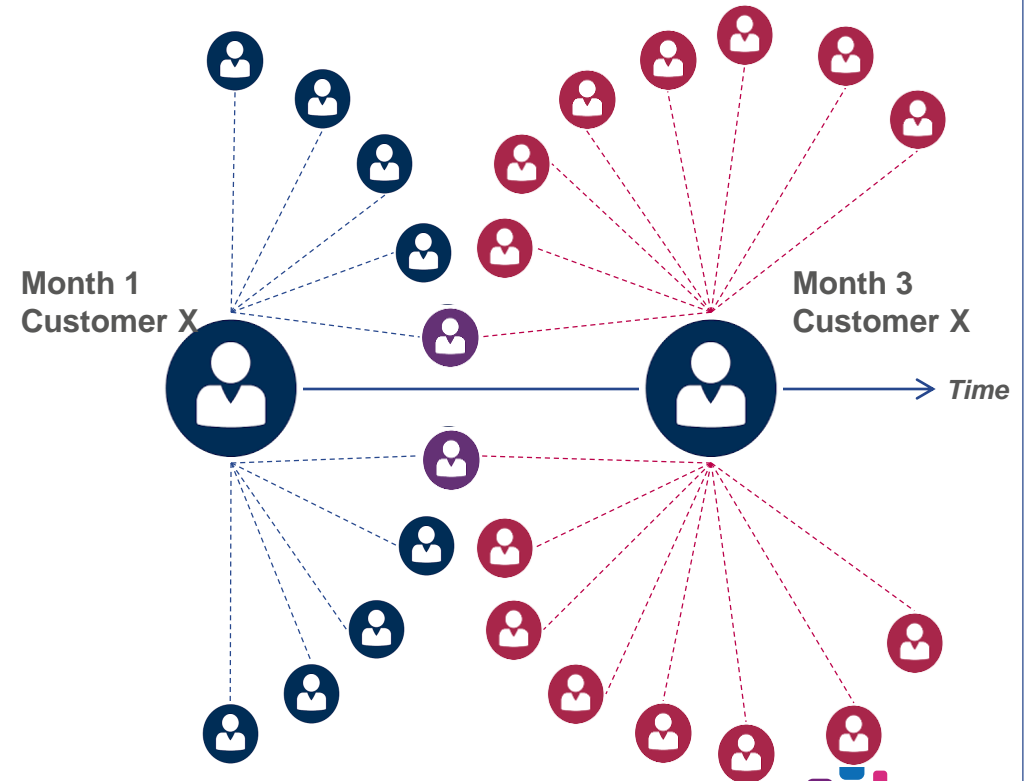
## Social Network



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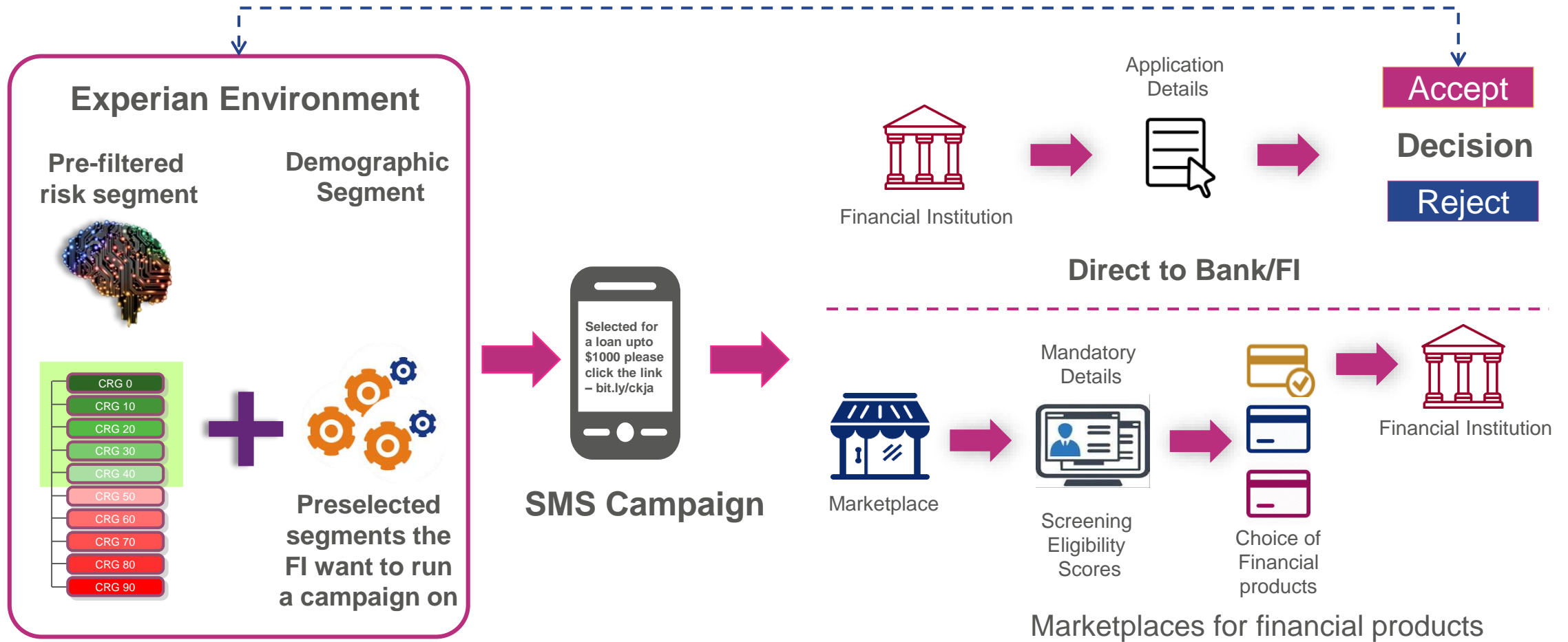
## Change in Social Network

Overlap between social network in Month 1 as compared to Month 3  
Change in size of social network



# Customer Journey

## Lead Generation through Telco Scores



# Device Score

## Consumer:

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## Experian:

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# Device Score

Potential to credit profile more than 5BN consumers globally



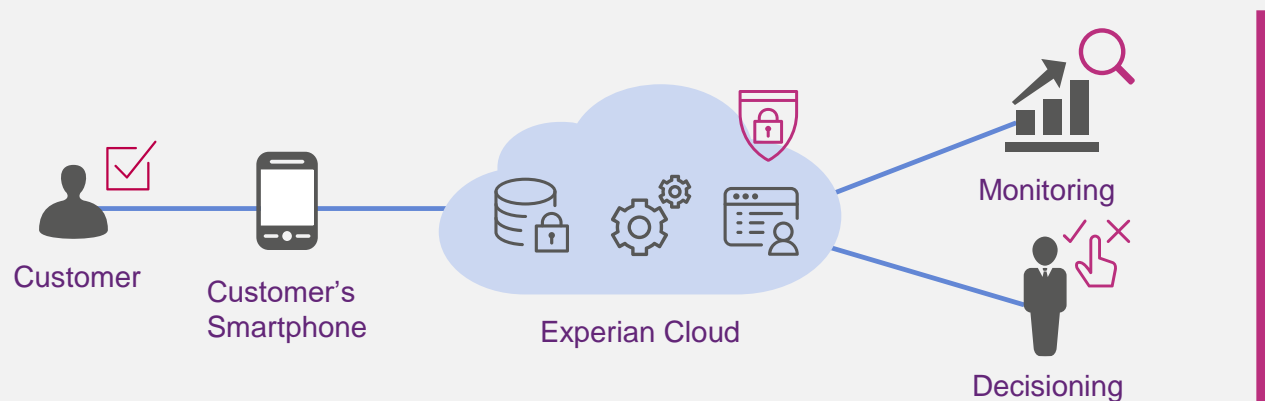
## Harnessing the power of 'ready-to-use' Alternative Data

Device Score can assess the creditworthiness of applicants who are unable to obtain credit via the use of traditional data:

- Taps into one of the richest sources of alternative data to predict credit risk.
- Quick **ROI** as solution is scalable, available globally and can be implemented within days.
- Seamless customer experience through automation. No manual intervention.
- Stringent processes to ensure maximum customer privacy and data security.

Device Score enriches the credit decisioning process and provides reliable credit scores to a wider base of applicants.

1. Customer gives consent on the use of Device Score.
2. Device data is captured, encrypted and sent to the Experian Cloud.
3. Device data is stored, transformed and processed using sophisticated analytical models in Experian Cloud, generating a credit score.



5. Models are fine-tuned based on close monitoring of the performance and feedbacks received.
4. Score of a customer is made available (via API or a query portal) to enrich the credit decisioning process.

# Predictability of Device Scores

Use of ML over rich attributes from device prove to be extremely powerful to predict risk



## Challenges

- Increase small ticket size lending for both thin file and thick file customers by:
  - Improving the accuracy of lending decisions made at less risk.
  - Maintain or lower NPLs and bad debt rates.



## Approach

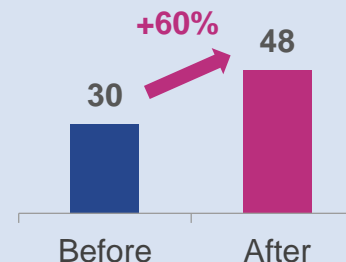
- Alternate data (e.g., SMS data, demographic data) was used to:
  - Enrich the data points available and;
  - Improve the predictability of the existing models using machine learning frameworks.



## Results

### Thin File Segment

### Only Device Data



**41.8 GINI**

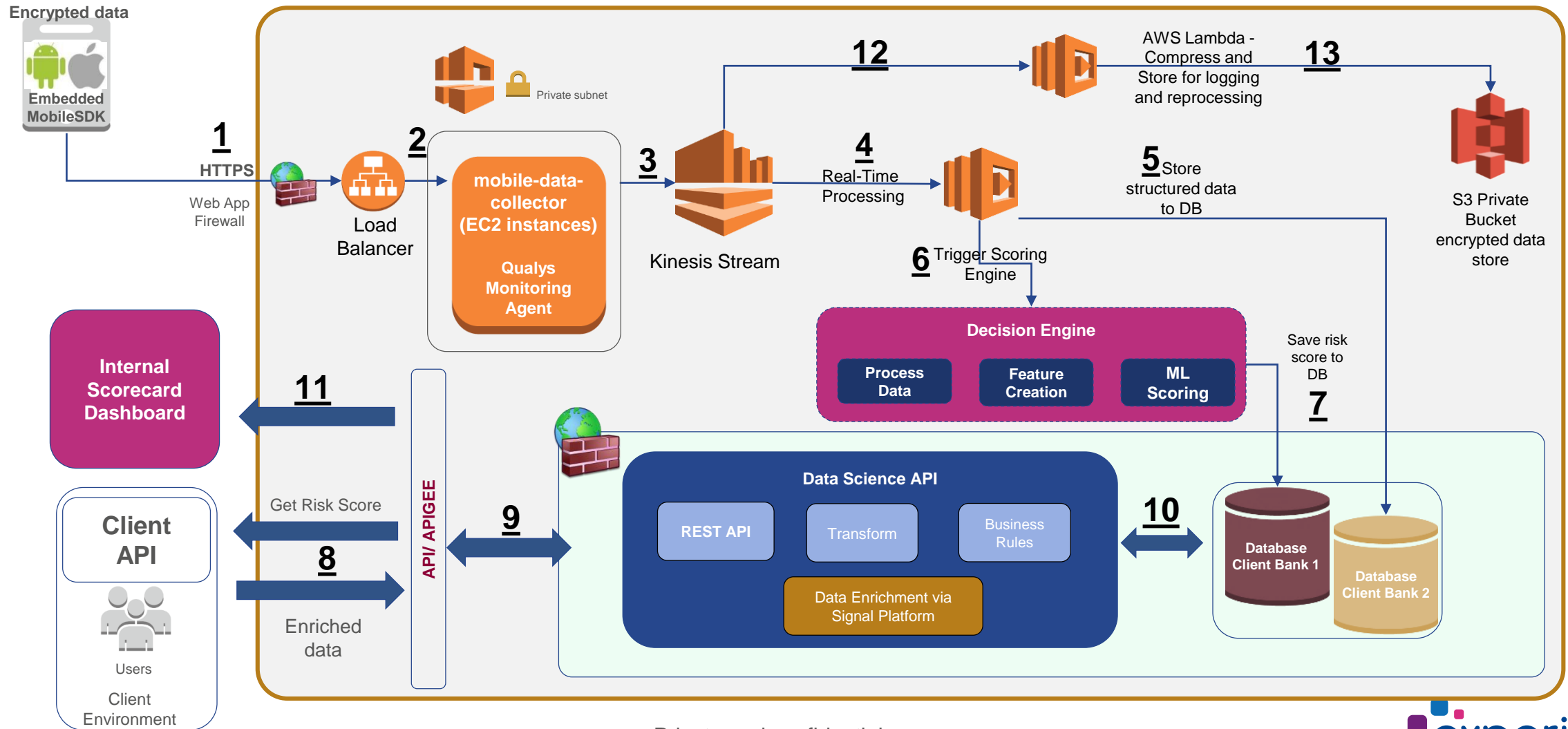
- ✓ Additional 60% improvement in GINI score for the thin file segment.

- ✓ Standalone predictive power of device data better than some bureau segments

**Increase in overall lending volumes as credits are extended to more customers at a lower risk**

# Architecture for Scoring Device Data

Server less architecture on cloud allows to generate scores in realtime and handle scale



# X Score

## Alternate Credit Score for lending

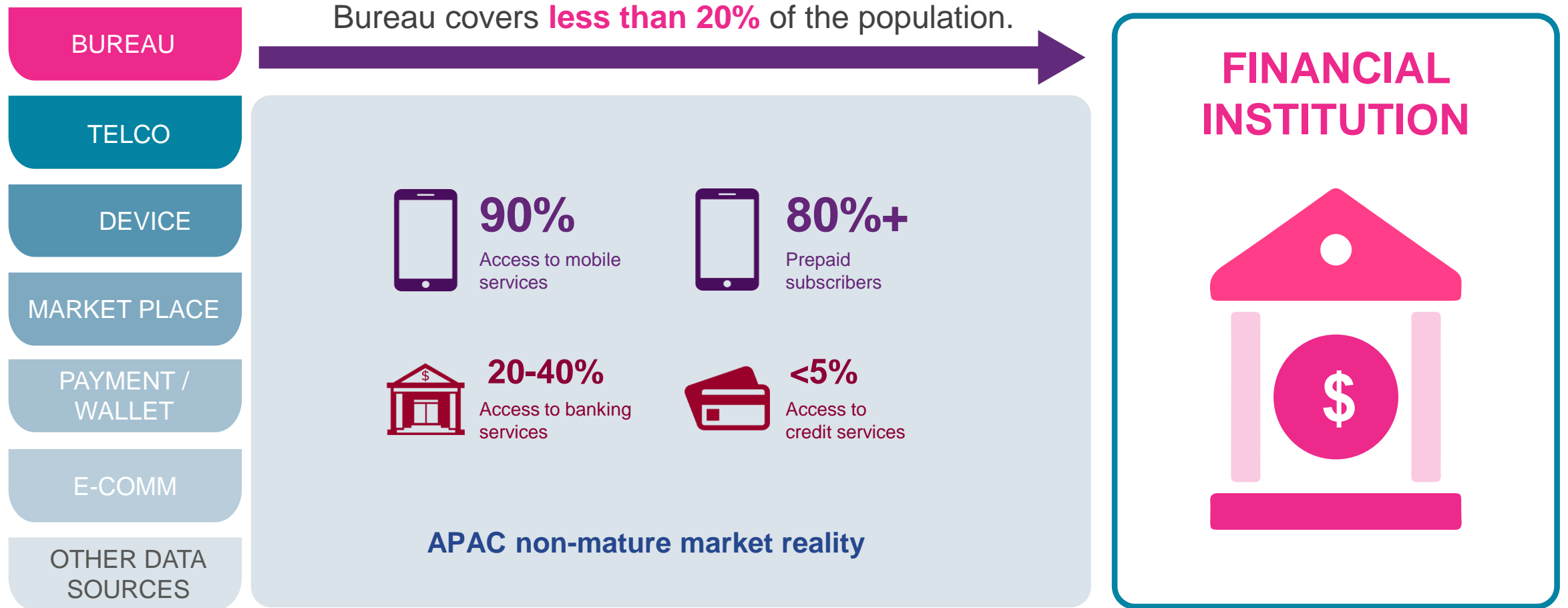
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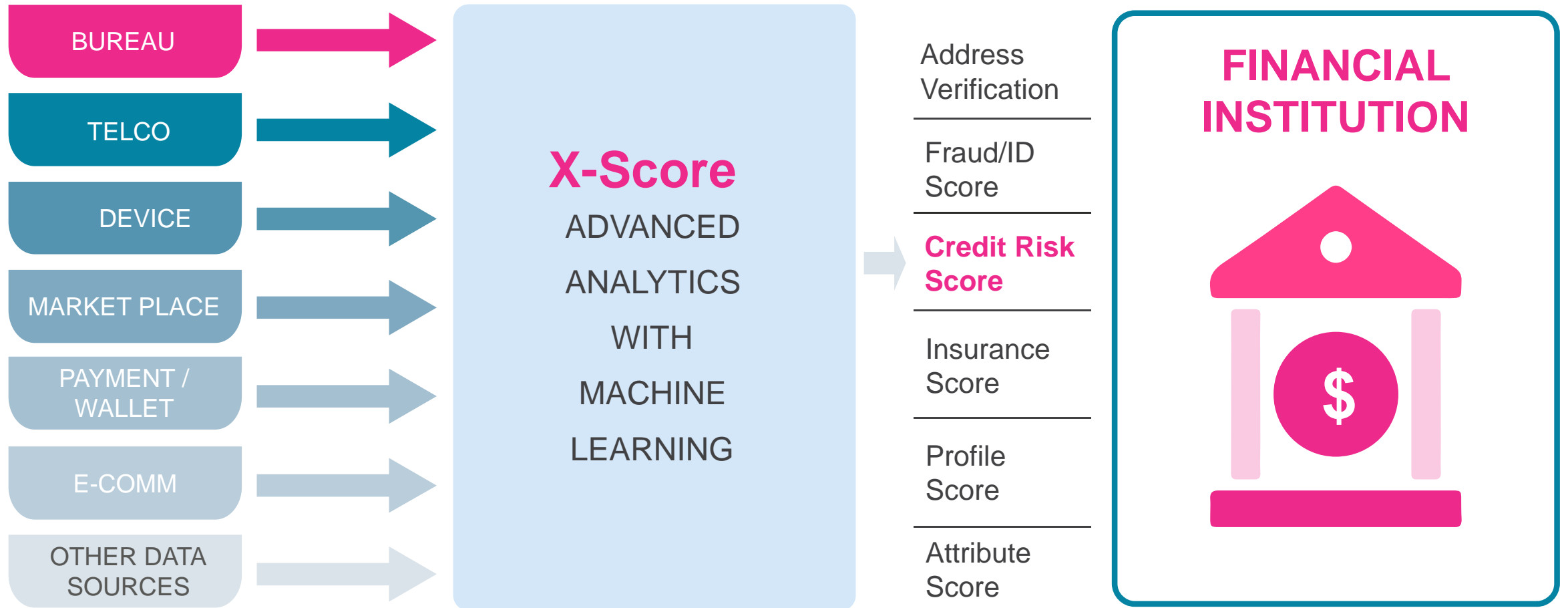
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# Problem Statement



# Solution

X-Score enables credible information access to banks for credit decisioning



# Score Pooling

## Challenge in Ensemble methods

- Data Sharing restrictions from clients where they only share a score
- Distribute revenue across multiple partners fairly basis prediction confidence and accuracy of model

## Solution : Consensus Approach

Final Score to be dependant on :

- **Goodness of Model** – Accuracy , AUC, KS ,etc
- **Level of Uncertainty** – if probability is close to 0 or 1 then Uncertainty in prediction is low

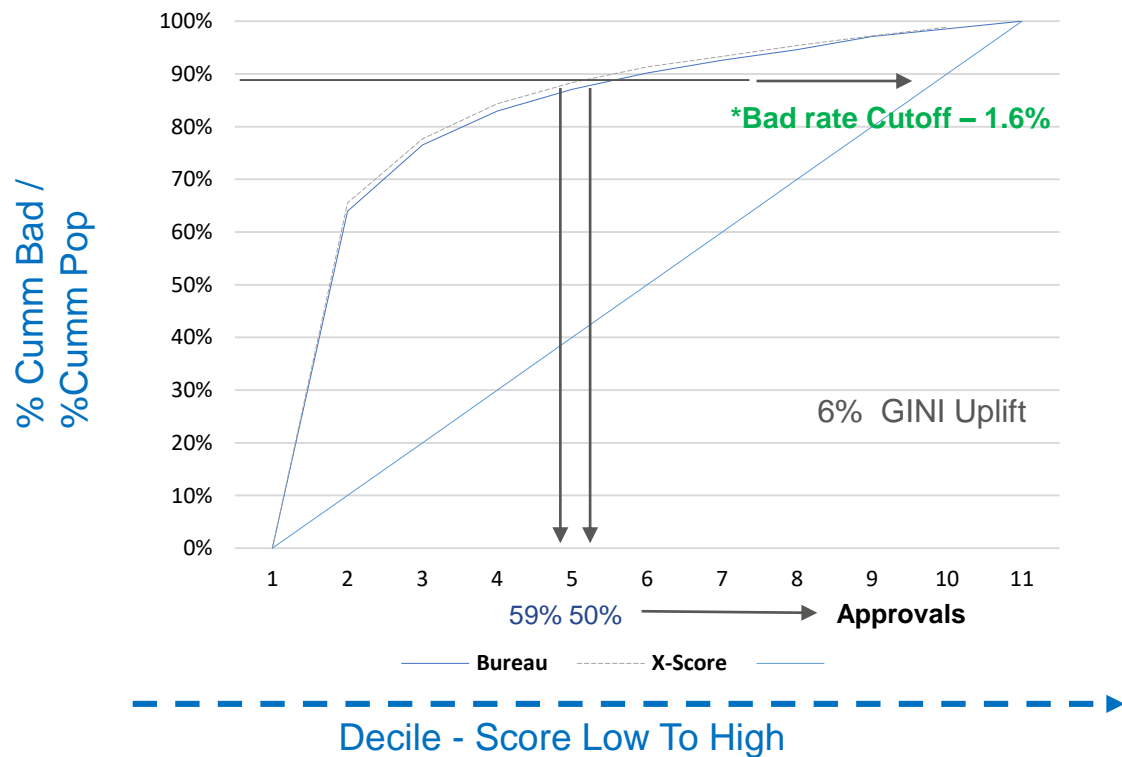
1. Determining the Local uncertainty  $U_{ij} = -\sum p_i \log(p_i)$
2. Determining the Global uncertainty  $c_{ij} = \text{fn}(A_j - A_i)$
3. Weight matrix Initialization – Transient state  $w_{ij} = 1 / (U_{ij}^{-2} * \sum_j U_{ij}^{-2})$
4. Weight matrix – Steady state
5. Weight vector calculation
6. Consensus driven X score

Weight vector can be directly calculated without multiple iterations - it is equivalent to left eigen vector of initial weight matrix "W", corresponding to eigen vector "1"

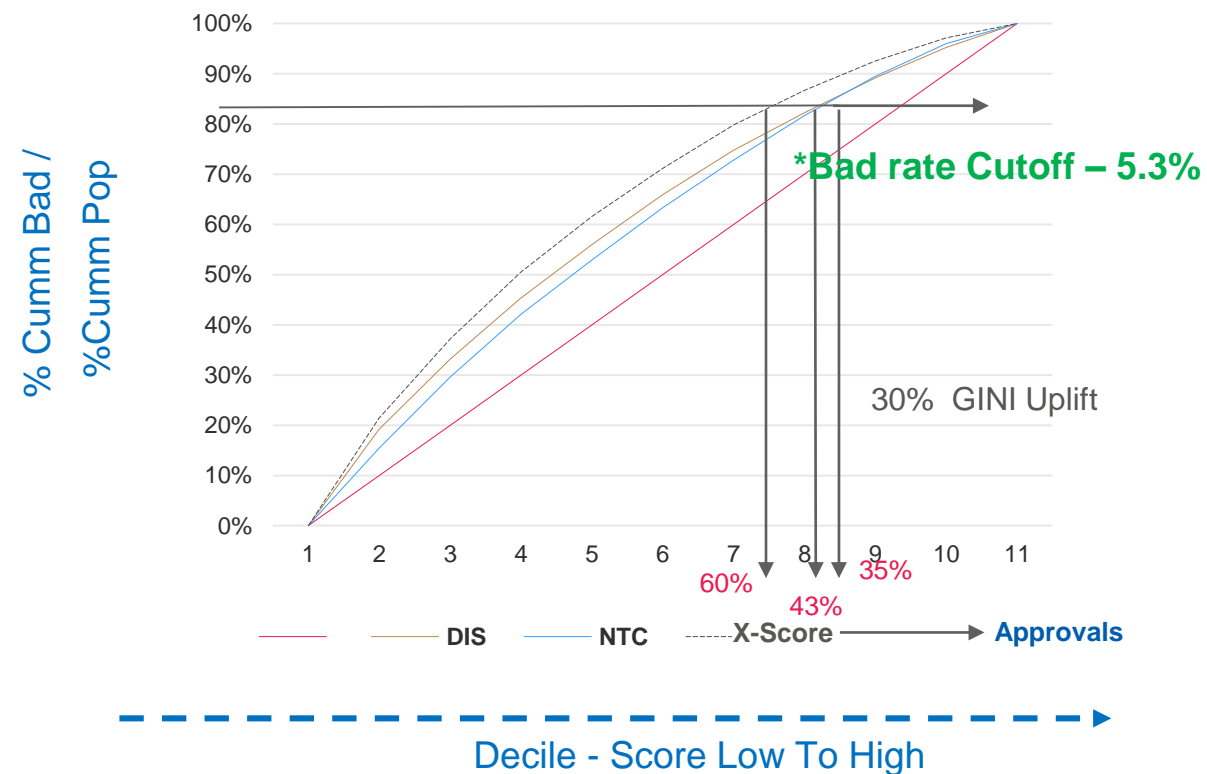
These parameters are final weightage to combine multiple scores to X-Score

# Impact by combining alternate data scores (6% GINI Uplift on existing Bureau Score)

**Thick file** - The Consensus X Score improve approvals by 9%\* (with same risk level)



**Thin File** – (NTC and Payment Score) - The Consensus X Score improve approvals by 17%\* (with same risk level)



# Recommended Usage of X-Score

For banks to use our model scores – we provide strategies for score cutoffs

## Independent Score (along with risk policies & procedures)

Risk Band	Model Score	Cum Size	Strategy
1 [620, 640]		5%	Accept
2 [600, 620]		10%	
3 [580, 600]		15%	
4 [560, 580]		21%	
5 [540, 560]		24%	
6 [520, 540]		29%	Low Limit
7 [500, 520]		35%	
8 [480, 500]		41%	
9 [460, 480]		45%	
10 [440, 460]		49%	
11 [420, 440]		55%	Refer
12 [400, 420]		60%	
13 [380, 400]		65%	
14 [360, 380]		70%	
15 [340, 360]		75%	
16 [320, 340]		80%	Reject
17 [300, 320]		85%	
18 [280, 300]		90%	
19 [260, 280]		95%	
20 [240, 260]		100%	



*Adjust the cut-off strategy by fine-tuning the expert model based on performance and risk appetite*

Cut-off

- Experian X Score can be used along with existing credit policies in making lending decisions.
- Use case for assessing no hit & thin file customers who are 'new to bureau' with very limited credit data.

## Dual Scoring (along with risk policies & procedures) Experian X Score

Existing A-Score

General Risk Score											
Low Risk			Medium Risk			High Risk			Default		
Range	751-810	811-870	871-930	931-990	991-1050	1051-1110	1111-1170	1171-1230	1231-1290	1291-1350	Default Value
Low Risk	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Medium Risk	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
High Risk	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Default	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%

- X Score can be used in conjunction with existing scoring mechanism(s) to strengthen the lending decisions across the customer base.
- Telco and device data contains powerful behavioural information that can improve the predictiveness.
- Use case for Telco and device data through an existing partner to maximize coverage, even for thick file customers.

## Low-side Override/ Swap-In (along with risk policies & procedures)

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*Identify and accept good potential customers below the cut-off score*

- Use X Score to specifically focus on customers who are below the cut-off line.
- Use case for reducing type II errors of rejecting potentially good customers. Once accepted, these customers can be closely monitored using more complete data collected.
- Existing predictive models can be improved.

# Alternate Data Projects in APac

Proven capability in risk scoring various verticals in emerging markets like SEA and India

Machine Learning

Performance Indicators

Clients On boarded



## Device Scores



NLP, GBM  
XG Boost  
Real-time Solution

SMS and App Usage Data :  
**GINI 41**  
Version2 SDK Data:  
**Expected GINI 30+**

Live with clients - 60% Approval  
Rates 4+ Clients in Pipeline



## Telco Scores



Random Forests, GBM  
Network Analysis  
Geolocation Analytics

Behavior Data :  
**GINI 33**  
Lifestyle Profile Data:  
**GINI 25**

Data on boarded – Live in Q3  
FY20 3+ Telco in Pipeline  
200M customers in Indonesia  
Potential 300M customers in  
India



## Commerce Scores



Logistic Regression  
XG Boost

Wallet Data:  
**GINI 24**  
Merchant POS Data:  
**GINI 20**

One client previously live and  
30% approval rate  
Live in India

## Credit Risk Grade



CRG 0

CRG 10

CRG 20

CRG 30

CRG 40

CRG 50

CRG 60

CRG 70

CRG 80

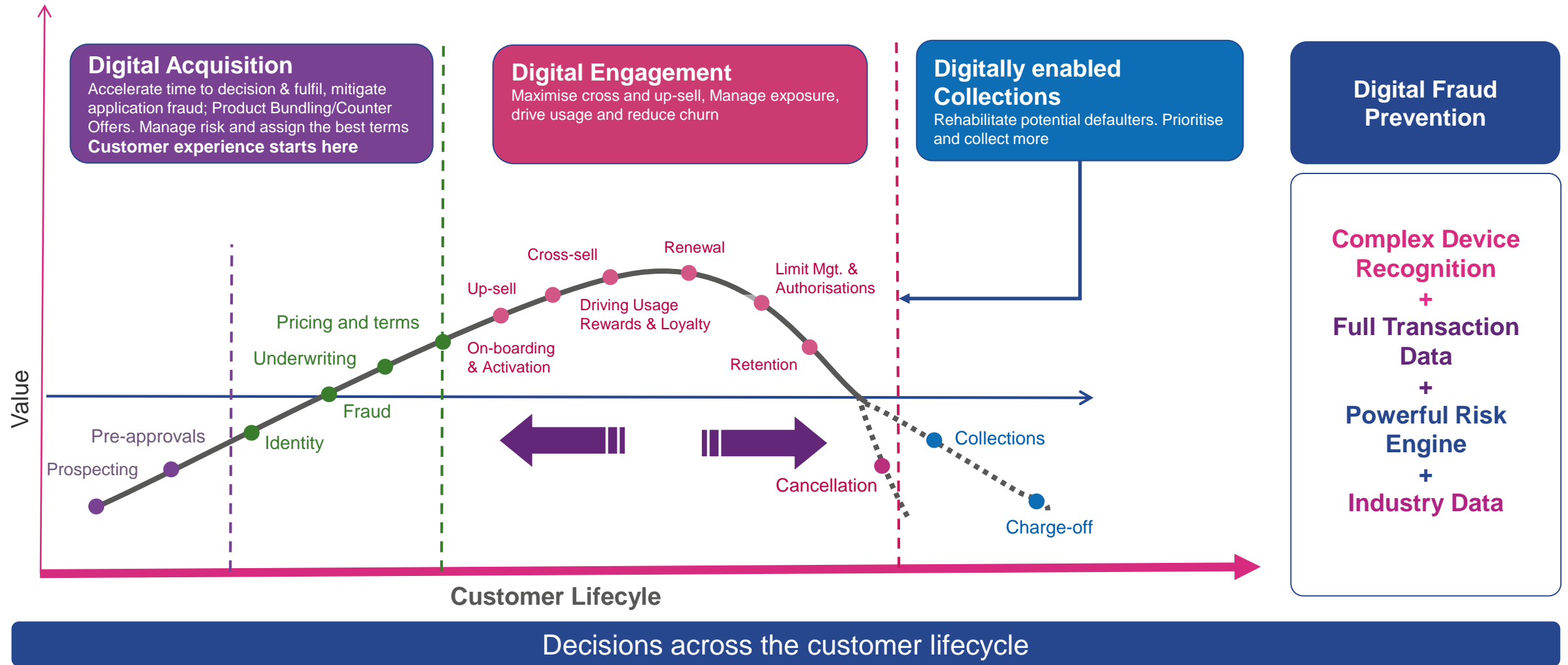
CRG 90

GINI – Measures the rank ordering or performance of a model to predict risk  
Private and confidential

# Agenda

- Experian and the X-labs
- Industry evolution and the APac Context
- Alternate Credit Scoring - building blocks
- Implementations – Telco, Wallets & Open data
- Summary and considerations

# Decisioning lifecycle for a digitally enabled bank



# A better customer journey

Business impact can be tremendous

## Originations

**15%**

Increase in sales through improved accept rates

**5%**

Reduction in bad debt through better exposure management

**80%**

Reduction in processing time through automated decisions

## Customer Management

**10%**

Increase in acceptance rate for cross-sell/up-sell

**10%**

Increase in profitability through risk-based pricing

**14%**

Increase in profit with better limit setting strategies

## Debt Management

**26%**

Improvement in delinquency rate

**25%**

Increase in efficiency with an improved collections process



Thank You !