

### SOME THOUGHTS ON THE FUTURE OF LOGISTICS

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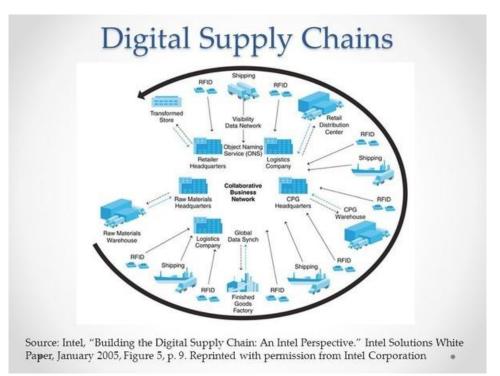


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# BEFORE WE START THE WORKSHOP, WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE MAIN CHALLENGES THAT "DIGITALIZATION" HAS/IS/WILL BRING TO YOUR BUSINESS?





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### TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES ARE DRIVING SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN THE TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS INDUSTRY

# **T&L Trends Automation Autonomy** Information The "Cloud" Collaboration

#### **Market Drivers**

- Aging populations, unattractive work, cost pressures, velocity requirements, volumes all are driving a push to logistics automation
- Smart infrastructures, scarce labor, regulations, costs, asset utilization, etc. are driving the development of autonomous logistics tools
- IoT devices, instrumented infrastructures, M2M/V2V communications, cloud computing, etc. are driving predictive and prescriptive analytics
- Scale and scope economies, standards, regulation, environmental requirements are all driving logistics operators to integrate activities
- Regulations, integration, information, autonomy and automation are costly and will require industry players to collaborate in their operations and business models



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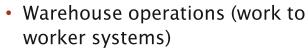
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# THE NEED TO INCREASE VELOCITY, LOWER UNIT COSTS, AND ADDRESS WORKFORCE SCARCITY IS DRIVING NEW FORMS OF AUTOMATION



Automated Guided Vehicles

 while not the newest form of automation, AGVs are gaining in popularity as software improves and new applications are developed



- Ports (automated container handling)
- Production (intra-logistics operations)
- Healthcare (inter-facility logistics)
- Chemicals (automated filling and tanker movement)
- Etc.







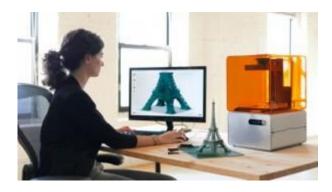




## ROBOTICS IS ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING AREAS OF INNOVATION IN LOGISTICS OPERATIONS

- Robots are used in many applications in logistics
  - Palletization
  - Unloading
  - Layer picking
  - Goods picking
  - Goods carriage
  - Packing
- Robots increase productivity, reduce injuries and improve quality
- Robots today are more flexible than humans and far easier to "program"
- Note: 3D printing or, "additive production," is nothing but distributed robotic production



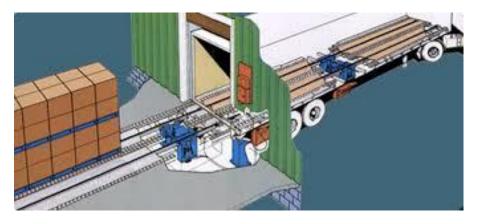




## OTHER AREAS OF LOGISTICS ARE SEEING INCREASING INTEREST IN AUTOMATION

- Material handling
- Storage and retrieval
- Packaging
- Conveying
- Sorting
- Loading/Unloading











# FACILITATING THE ADVANCE OF AUTOMATION HAS BEEN THE EVOLUTION OF STANDARDS AND SOFTWARE

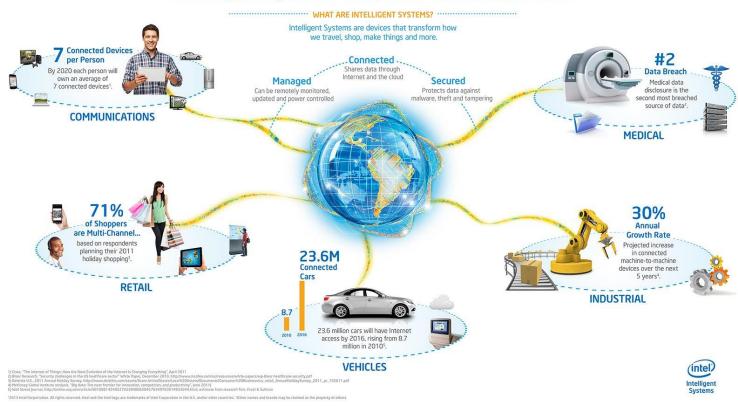
- Modular packaging
- Graphical configuration of software
- Standard automation interfaces
- Process oriented control software
- Standardized containers
- PLC interfaces
- The Robot Operating System (ROS)
- Etc.





## THE INTERNET OF THINGS PROMISES TO FURTHER INCREASE THE POTENTIAL OF AUTOMATION IN LOGISTICS

### Intelligent Systems for a More Connected World





# WITH MORE INTELLIGENCE IN SYSTEMS THE CONCEPT OF SELF ORGANIZED LOGISTICS OPERATIONS BECOMES POSSIBLE



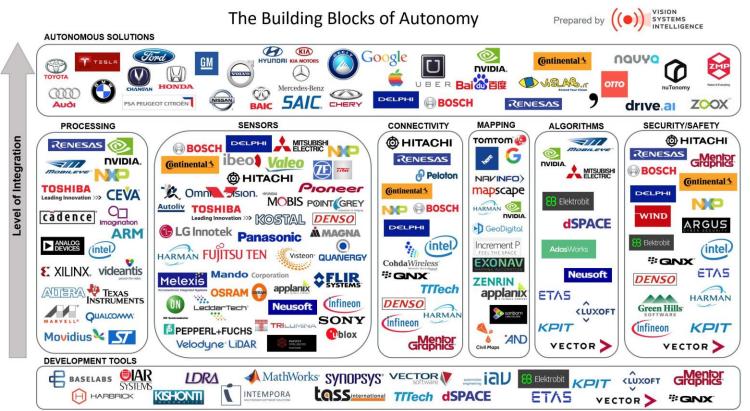


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## AUTONOMOUS OPERATIONS OF LOGISTICS ASSETS IS BECOMING A REALITY

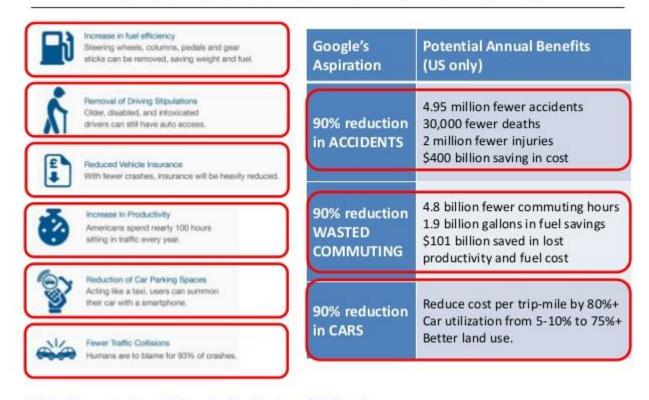


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## THE BENEFITS OF AUTONOMOUS OPERATIONS CAN BE SIGNIFICANT – CARS....

## **Benefits of Autonomous Car**



Ref: http://www.carloan4u.co.uk/infographics/the-ultimate-car-of-the-future/
Google, US NHTSA, AAA, Texas A&M Transportation Institute, Columbia University Earth Institute and Devil's Advocate Group's analysis

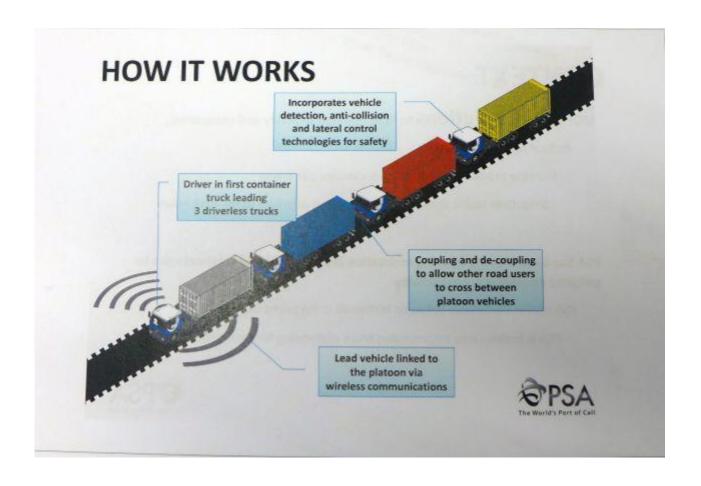


### ... AND TRUCKS TOO®



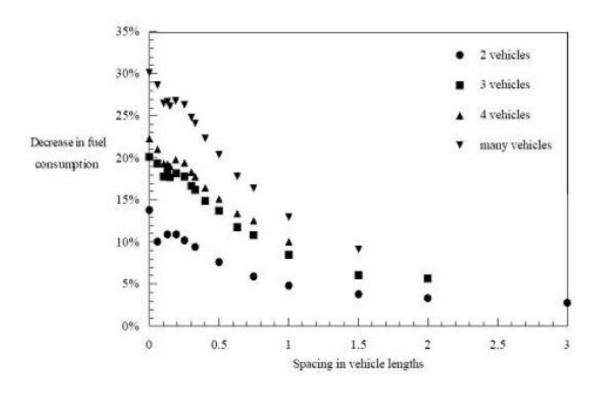


## TRUCK PLATOONING IS ONE EXAMPLE WHERE AUTONOMOUS OPERATIONS CAN PROVIDE SIGNIFICANT BENEFITS



# THESE BENEFITS HAVE BEEN UNDERSTOOD FOR MANY YEARS, BUT ONLY NOW CAN TECHNOLOGY FACILITATE THEIR REALIZATION





Source: Partners for Advanced Transit and Highway Program (1992)



## AUTONOMOUS SHIPS ARE ALSO BEING EXAMINED...

Actual	Manned Ship	Radar ECDIS Visual 	Action
Generic Alternatives	Remote Ship	Radar ECDIS Visual 	 Action
Generic Al	Automated Ship	Radar ECDIS Visual 	Action
Symbiosis	Autonomous Ship	Radar ECDIS Visual 	Action

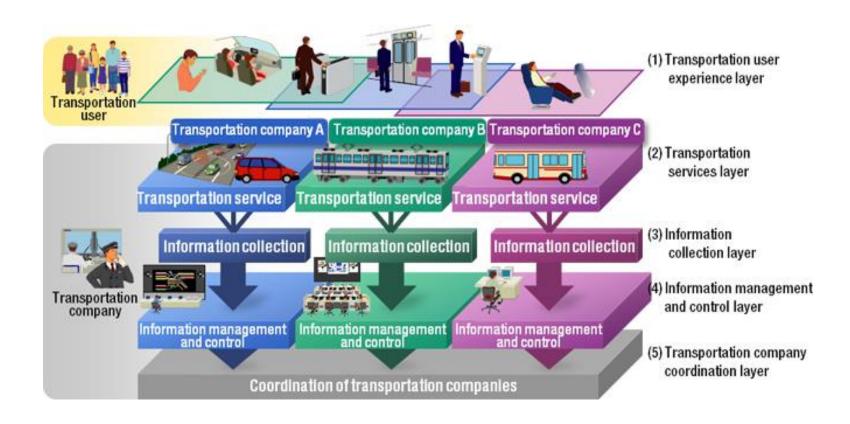


## ...AS ARE AUTONOMOUS AIRCRAFT



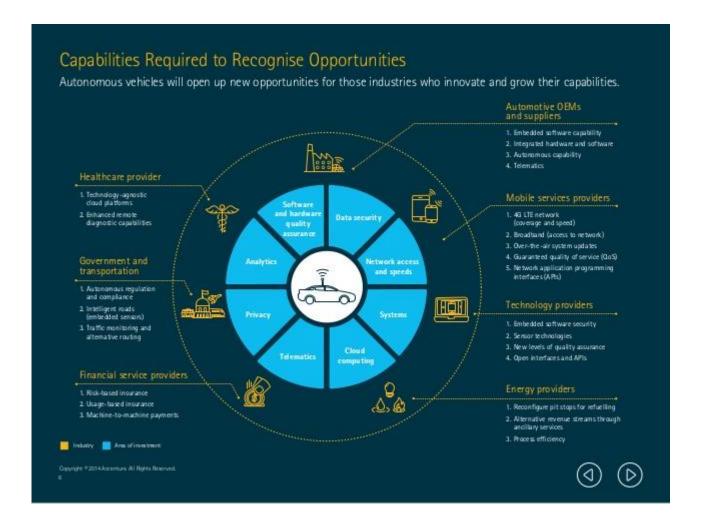


# OPERATION OF AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES REQUIRES SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT IN SMART INFRASTRUCTURES...





# ...BUT REMOVING THE HUMAN ELEMENT FROM VEHICLE OPERATION ALSO PROMISES NUMEROUS BENEFITS



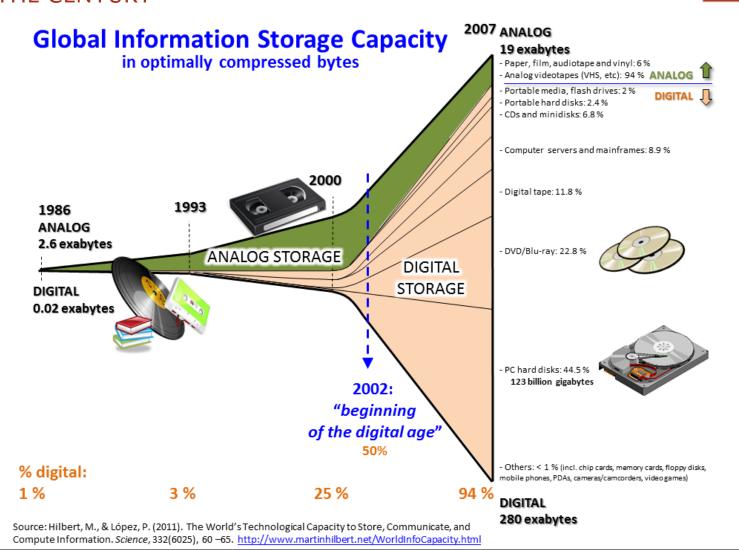


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# THE AMOUNT OF DATA THAT IS BEING STORED IN VARIOUS MEDIA HAS BEEN GROWING EXPONENTIALLY SINCE THE TURN OF THE CENTURY

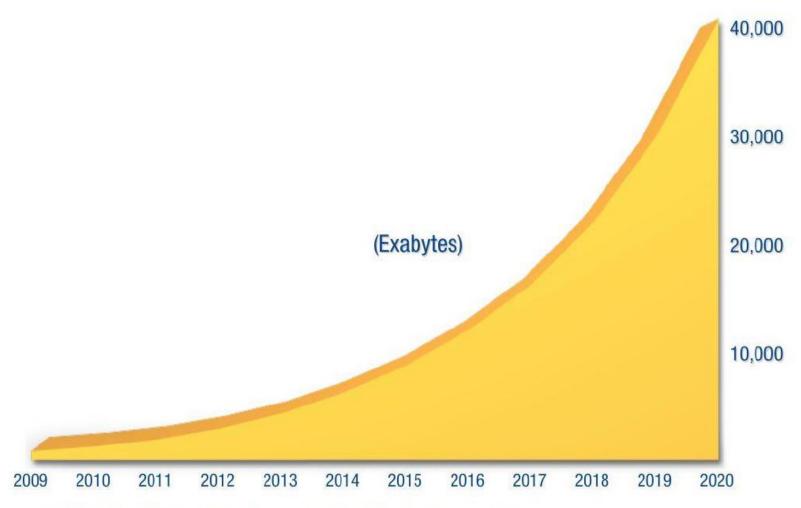




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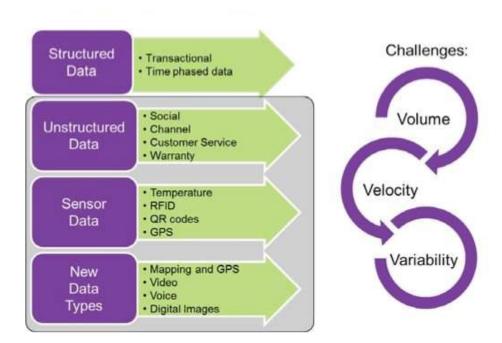


Source: IDC's Digital Universe Study, sponsored by EMC, December 2012

# BIG DATA RESULTS FROM THE INCREASED USE OF THE INTERNET TO BUY, INTERACT WITH, REPORT ON, MONITOR, VISUALIZE AND STORE THINGS



- The majority of data generated today is the result of electronic image creation, video streaming, surveillance images, blogs, email, online catalogues, etc.
- Autonomous data sources (i.e., the Internet of Things), such as autoID tagged items, automobiles, mobile telephones, webcams and sensor networks are also adding to the electronic data that is generated
- All of these sources of data create vast amounts of unstructured and difficult to process data that form what industry calls "Big Data"





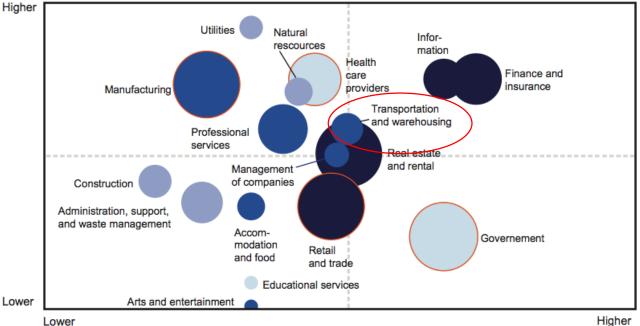
### VALUE FROM DATA, WHETHER BIG OR SMALL, ONLY ARISES WHEN IT IS USED TO INFORM DECISION MAKERS

### Sectors differ in their ability to use and obtain value from big data analytics

Bubble size = GPD Competitive Intensity to adopt big data Sectors studied Highest Moderate in this report High Low

Big data ease of capture

Reflects ability to own or access data and analytics



Higher

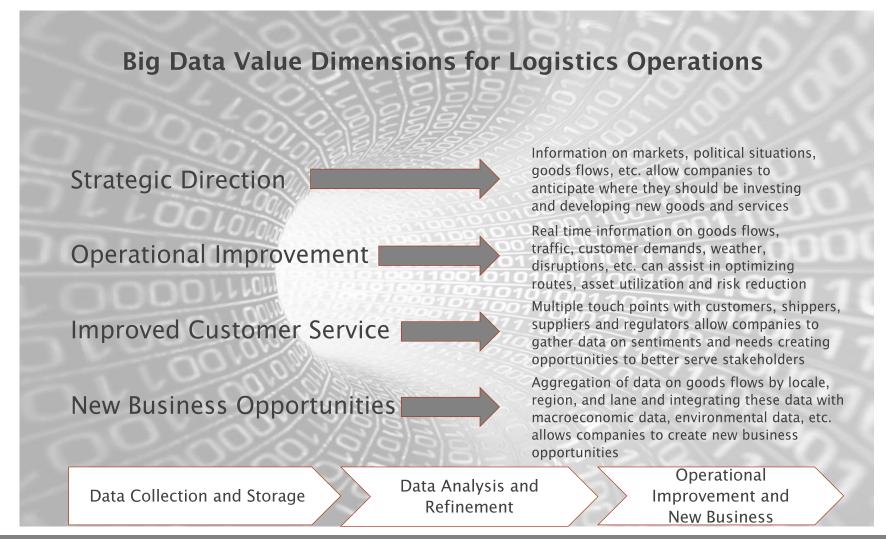
Big data value potential

Reflects value of data and/or competitive advantage achieved

SOURCE: US Bureau of Economic Analysis; McKinsey Global Institute analysis

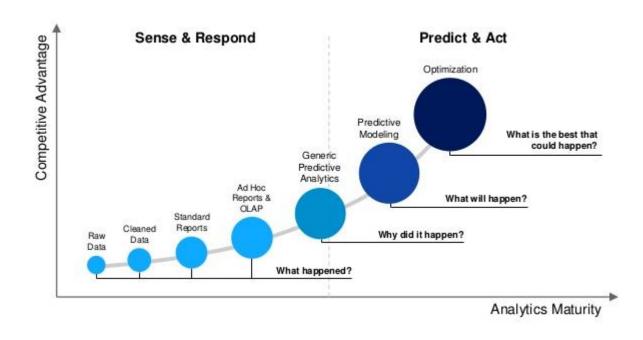


## FOR LOGISTICS OPERATIONS, VALUE FROM DATA ARISES IN FOUR PRIMARY AREAS



# INTEGRATING BOTH OPERATIONAL AND THIRD PARTY DATA CAN PROVIDE MANAGEMENT WITH EXTREMELY POWERFUL PREDICTIVE TOOLS FOR MARKET COMPETITION





# BETTER USE OF INTERNAL OPERATIONAL DATA CAN IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT AND OPERATIONAL COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE



#### Air Cargo Weight Analytics Study 1/2

#### **Background and Motivation**

- Air freight constitutes a primary channel for shipping perishable and expensive goods
- Improved management of air transport significantly reduces cost and carbon emissions
- Key issues hampering supply chain efficiency:
  - No Shows / Late Cancellations
  - Hi / Lo Shows, i.e. discrepancy between booking and actual (e.g., weight\volume\#items)



#### Proactive discrepancy management approach

- Exact weight cannot be pre-determined by shippers may only be observed upon acceptance at airline
- Discrepancies can be found in ~50% of shipments, inducing high costs or delays
- Prediction model: Significant weight discrepancy
   Everything known so far

Predict: 
$$p^{Hi} := P\left\{\sum_{r \in R_f} W_r^A > \sum_{r \in R_f} W_r^P + \tau \middle| \left\{W_r^A\right\}_{r \in R_f^A}, \left\{W_r^P\right\}_{r \in R_f}, I\right\}$$

 $W_r^{\scriptscriptstyle A}$  - Actual weight of RouteMap r

 $W_{\nu}^{P}$  - Planned weight of RouteMap r

 $R_f$  - Route maps scheduled on flight f

 $R_f^{\scriptscriptstyle A}$  - Accepted Route maps scheduled on flight f

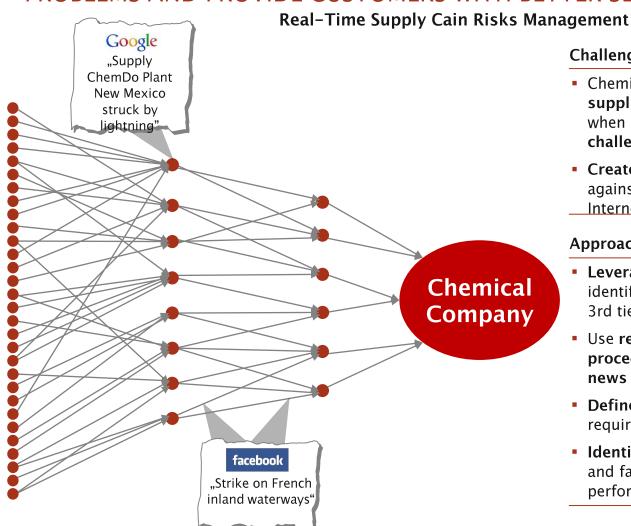
Additional information:

airports, airlines, sources, destinations, etc.

Alert: IF  $p^* > \delta^*$  THEN alert about "\*-load" \* = Over\Under

### SUPPLY DISRUPTIONS CAN BE ANTICIPATED EARLY BY USING BIG DATA AND DATA ANALYTICS TO UNDERSTAND SUPPLIER PROBLEMS AND PROVIDE CUSTOMERS WITH BETTER SERVICE





#### Challenge

- Chemical company with 1000s of suppliers would like to understand when certain suppliers face challenges and disruptions
- Create short-term transparency against supply disruptions based on Internet chatter

#### Approach

- Leverage supply chain maps to identify impact of activities of 2nd and 3rd tier suppliers
- Use real-time text mining procedures to tap data-rich Internet news and social media chatter
- Define response scenarios as required
- Identify trade-off between true-false and false-true alerts based on pilot performance and criticality of suppliers

### CREATIVE USE OF COMPANY GENERATED BUSINESS DATA, LINKED TO EXTERNAL SOURCES, CAN GENERATE SIGNIFICANT NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUSINESS







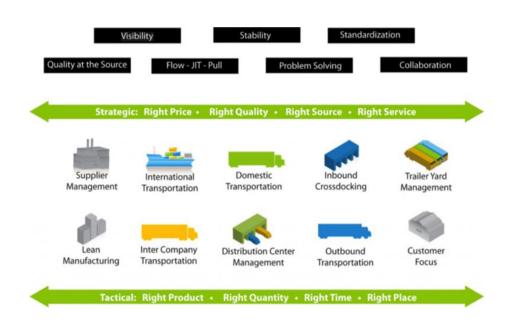
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# THE DISAGGREGATED NATURE OF LOGISTICS OPERATIONS TODAY LEADS TO INEFFICIENT OPERATIONS AND UNNECESSARY EXPENSE



- End-to-end visibility does not exist
- Quality of shipping process is not controllable
- Assurance of deliveries is problematic
- Costs are not transparent
- Border crossings are problematic
- Vendor quality, reliability, capability, etc. is difficult to ascertain
- Risk management is not uniform
- Information sharing is difficult
- Collaboration does not exist

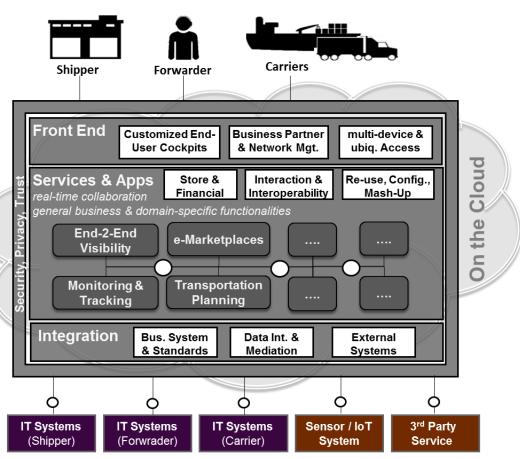


# NEW TECHNOLOGIES, SUCH AS CLOUD COMPUTING AND LOGISTICS AS A SERVICE, ARE MAKING IT EASIER FOR COMPANIES TO OPERATE "ON DEMAND" LOGISTICS



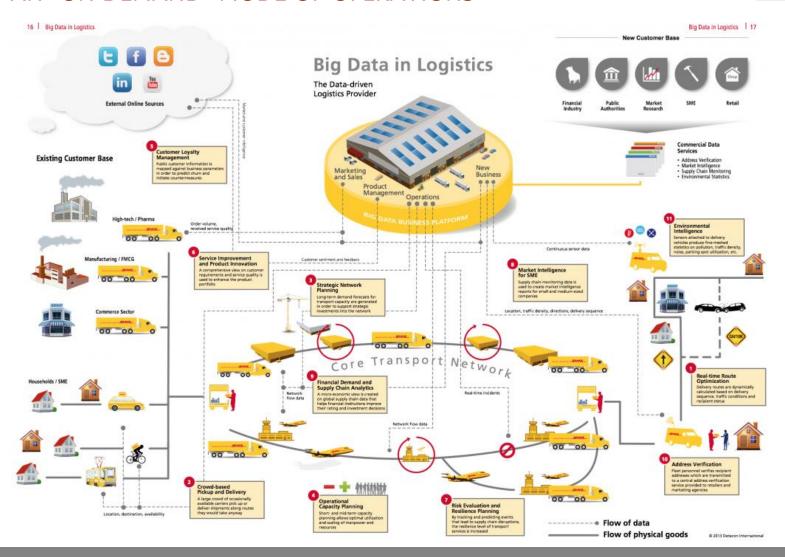
#### Conduct all Business Activities via FISpace (integrated seamless Business Collaboration)

- Single point of access
- Personalized End-User Cockpits
- Social Networking & Collab. for Bus. Partners & Communities
- Access anywhere via any device
- Use On-Demand Solutions for business tasks & collaboration
- Combine & configure for individual business needs
- Re-use for rapid development of new Services & Apps
- Continue using existing IT systems for in-house purposes
- Import / export relevant information for collaboration
- Handle heterogeneous data
- Connect external systems (e.g.: IoT syst., 3<sup>rd</sup>-party & public services)





# THE "INTERNET OF THINGS" IS ALSO HELPING TO FACILITATE AN "ON DEMAND" MODE OF OPERATIONS



## THERE ARE CONSIDERABLE BENEFITS TO THINKING OF LOGISTICS OPERATIONS AS A MORE INTERCONNECTED SET OF ACTIVITIES THAN WE DO TODAY







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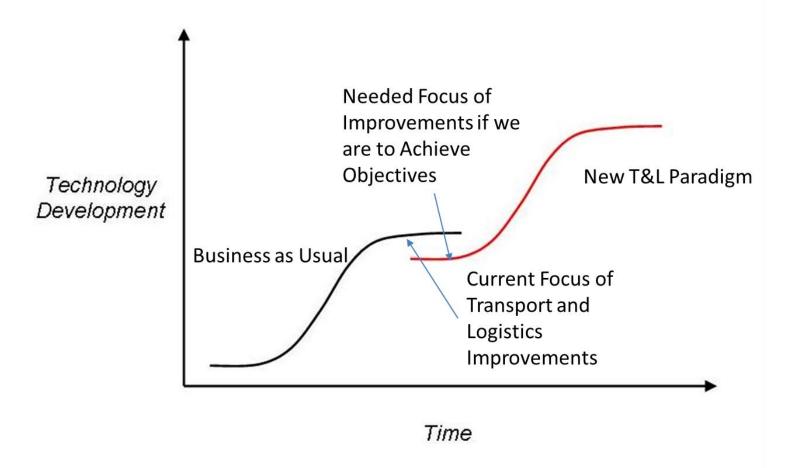
# ALL OF THE WORLD'S TRENDS LEAD TO BUSINESS MODELS THAT DIFFER FROM TODAY'S COMPETITIVE INDUSTRY STRUCTURE





## THE CURRENT FOCUS THUS FAR HAS BEEN ON HOW INDUSTRY IMPROVES ITS CURRENT OPERATIONS, NOT ON WHETHER IT NEEDS AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT APPROACH







## WHAT ACTUALLY IS NEEDED IS SOMETHING ENTIRELY DIFFERENT FROM THE CURRENT APPROACH





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### OUR CURRENT APPROACH TO SUPPLY CHAIN OPERATIONS IS MOST LIKELY NOT SUSTAINABLE

- We ship mostly air and packaging in our non-bulk shipping operations
- Empty travel of vehicles is the norm, not the exception
- Human resources for logistics services (trucking, warehousing, stevedoring, etc.) are becoming scarce
- Products sit idle most of the time, positioned or stored where not need and unavailable to those who need them
- Much of what is sold ends up simply being scraped or not used
- City logistics is becoming increasingly problematic
- Product movements due to repositioning and demand changes provide for product tourism and unnecessary shipping issues
- Integrated inter-modal shipments are not possible due to a lack of common systems, planning approaches, transfer operations, etc.
- Networks are fragile and insecure
- Automation is costly and difficult to implement
- Innovation is limited



### OUR GOAL AS LOGISTICIANS SHOULD BE TO ASSIST IN CREATING A SUSTAINABLE WORLD

### Why do we need to change?

### Logistics inefficiency and unsustainability

#### **ECONOMIC**

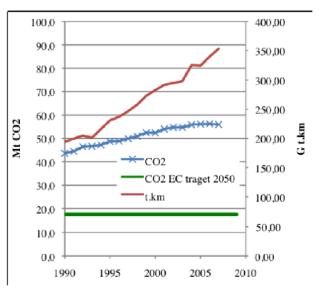
Logistics: 5-15% burden on GDP of most countries worldwide logistics costs grow faster than world trade

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

One of the heaviest greenhouse gas generators, energy consumers, polluters and materials wasters

Growing negative contribution while nations' goals aims for heavy reductions

Lack of fast, reliable and affordable accessibility and mobility of physical objects for the vast majority of the world's population Too often precarious logistic work conditions



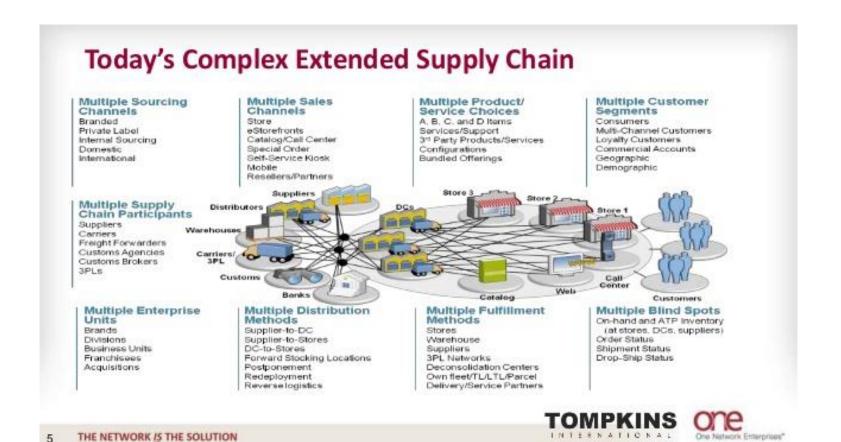
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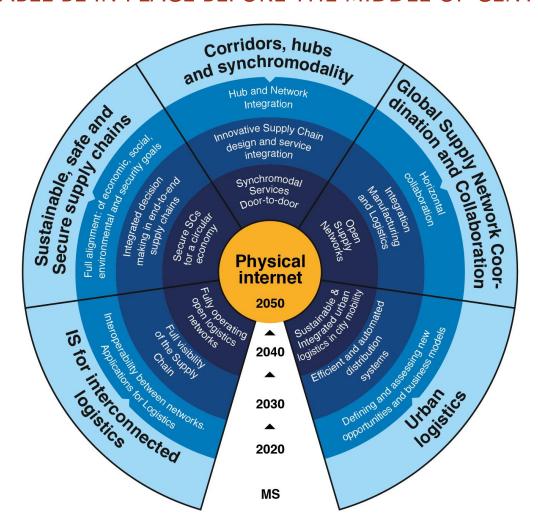


### ONE POTENTIAL "SOLUTION" MIGHT BE TO USE THE DIGITAL INTERNET AS AN EXAMPLE TO CREATE A PHYSICAL INTERNET





### A PHYSICAL INTERNET, BASED ON STANDARDS, COULD CONCEIVABLE BE IN PLACE BEFORE THE MIDDLE OF CENTURY





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#### SO WHERE DO YOU GO FROM HERE?



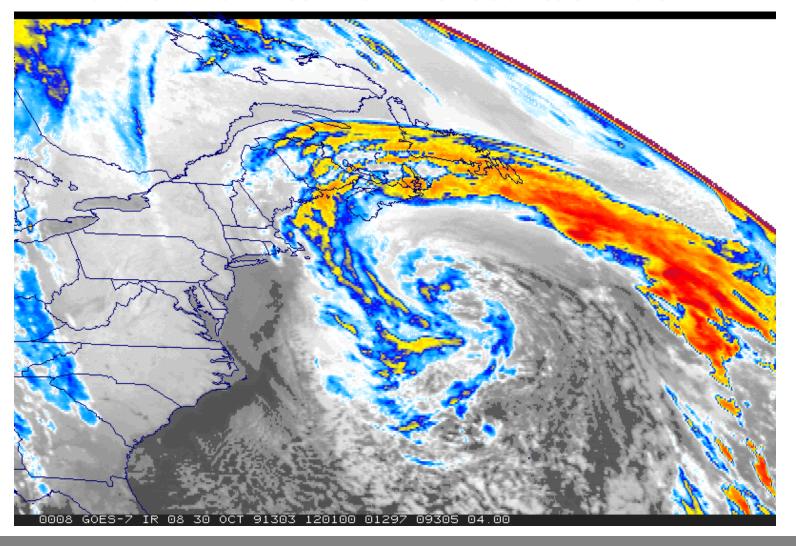
If you don't know where you want to go, well then, any direction will do:



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## THE WORLD IS GETTING MORE AND MORE COMPLEX CREATING A PERFECT STORM FOR THOSE PROVIDING LOGISTICS SERVICES



# THE CHANGES OCCURRING IN OUR WORLD ENSURE THAT NO MATTER WHAT WE ARE DOING TODAY, OPERATIONS TOMORROW WILL CERTAINLY BE DIFFERENT



- Global change is an important topic for all of us
- Global operations and changing market pressures are challenging current "taken for granted" models
- New thoughts and ideas are needed to allow industry to move beyond where it is today
- If we do not take action ourselves governments and non-traditional competitors will make decisions for us
- Creative new approaches, e.g., the Physical Internet, will be required to achieve the goals needed
- It is truly time to "go where no one has gone before"



#### Thank you for your attention!

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As long as I live, I'll hear waterfalls and birds and winds sing. I'll interpret the rocks, learn the language of flood, storm, and the avalanche. I'll acquaint myself with the glaciers and wild gardens, and get as near the heart of the world as I can.

John Muir