

Simple vs Complex Integration

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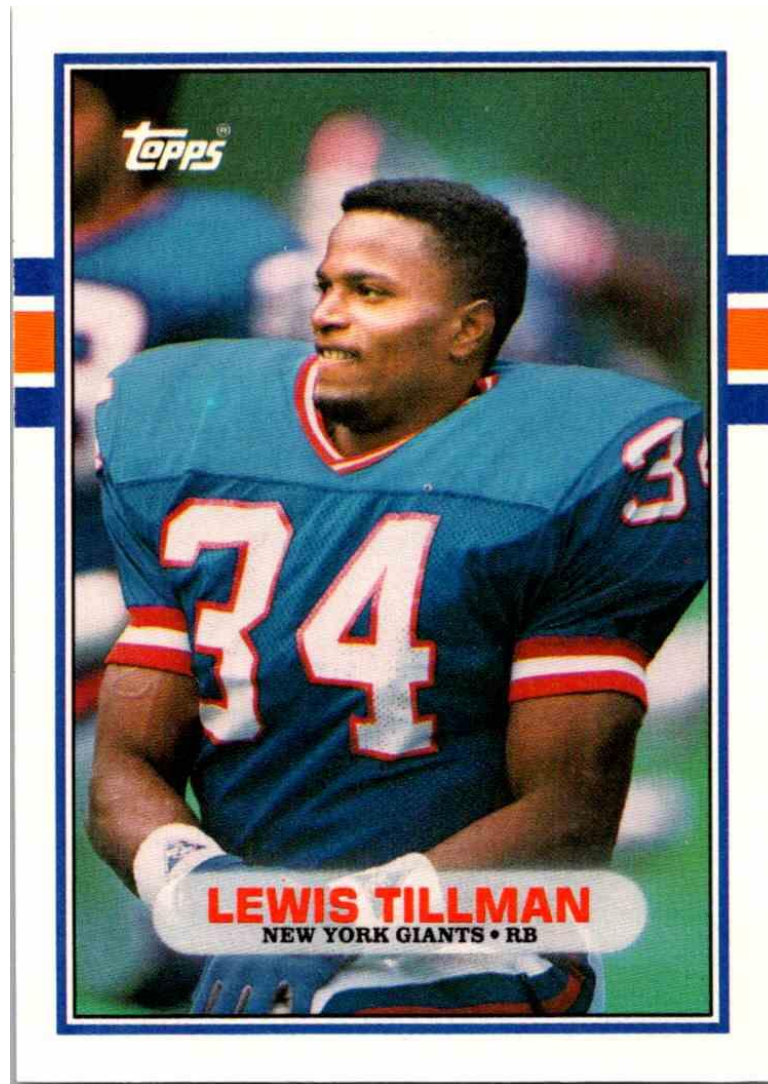
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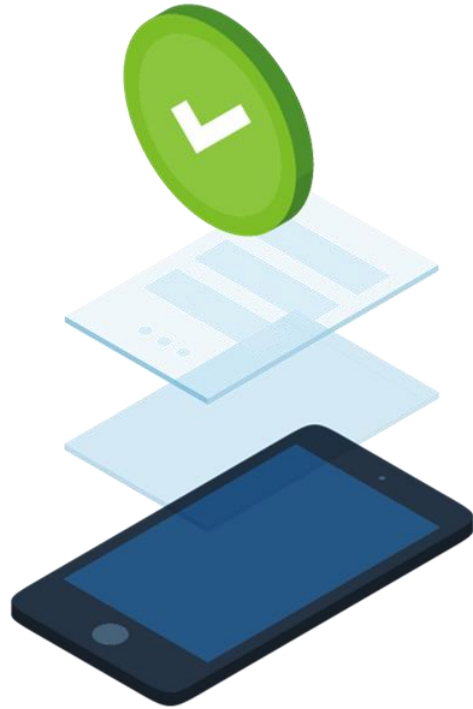
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Agenda



- ▶ Characteristics of Simple vs Complex
- ▶ Determining Integration Challenges
- ▶ Evaluate the Challenges
- ▶ Determining your Integration Needs

Characteristics

Simple

- ▶ Single system
- ▶ Responsive IT to modification
- ▶ Data is fairly consistent
- ▶ Provide full files
- ▶ Ability to process in overnight window

Complex

- ▶ Multiple systems
- ▶ Large data volumes
- ▶ Custom rules that required data manipulation within the interface
- ▶ Update frequently
- ▶ Data consistency issues

Determining Integration Challenges

- ▶ How many data sources do you have?
- ▶ Where is data?
- ▶ Are your operations global?
- ▶ How often do you need to refresh your data?
- ▶ How much data do you have?
- ▶ What are your IT resources?



Evaluate the Challenges

Simple

- ▶ Single data source
- ▶ Local, single system
- ▶ Local operations
- ▶ Scheduled updates
- ▶ Data is fairly consistent
- ▶ Ability to process in overnight window
- ▶ Responsive IT

Complex

- ▶ Multiple data sources
- ▶ Many systems, many locations
- ▶ Global Operations
- ▶ Update frequently
- ▶ Custom rules require data manipulation within the interface
- ▶ Data consistency issues
- ▶ IT Bandwidth

Simple Integration



- ▶ DS DIET Tool
 - Data Import Export Tool
- ▶ Templates to ensure consistent data transfer
- ▶ Share relevant data between systems
- ▶ May be automated
 - Your schedule

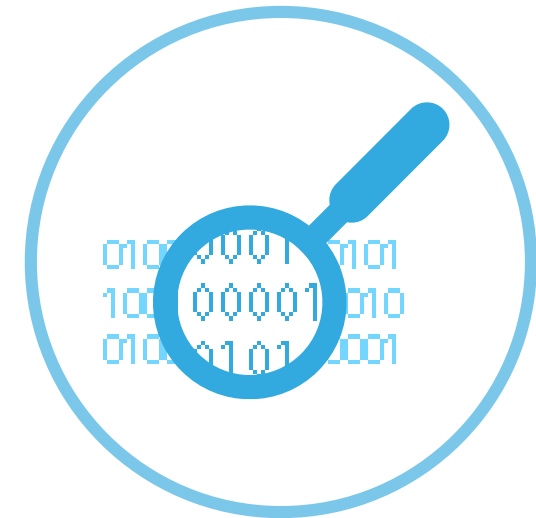
Complex Integration

- ▶ Requires Master Data Management Strategy
 - Solves common integration problems
 - Deals with large data volumes
 - Requires AdapLink tool
- ▶ Make a hard job manageable and timely



AdapLink

- ▶ American Software's proprietary rules-based integration and data management application (Master Data Management Solution)
- ▶ Solves Common Integration Problems
 - Ties supply chains together based on data from multiple ERP systems
 - Global operations
 - Large data volumes
 - Supply chain optimization requires high quality, consistent data
- ▶ Make a hard job manageable and timely



Advantages of the Complex Path

Demand Solutions handles the integration (*so you don't have to*)

- ▶ Template-based integration for SAP, Oracle, JD Edwards, Microsoft...etc.
- ▶ Customer Support Services
- ▶ Leverage distributed processing to speed updates
- ▶ Cut implementation effort & time by as much as 90%
- ▶ Certainty of price and timing
- ▶ Streamline master data management (MDM) and data transformation
- ▶ Quickly identify mission critical supply chain data across the enterprise
- ▶ Gain near real-time enterprise integration
- ▶ Net Change approach accelerates synchronization, increases scalability and reduces run times
- ▶ Trap “bad data” and accelerate resolutions before it impacts your planning process with alerts and analytics

Adaplink Provides a Flexible Solution

▶ Delta Capable (Net Change)

- Minimizes the data volume that requires transfer and processing
- Allows frequent application updates

▶ Scalable

- Connects diverse data sources in single design
- Leverages distributed processing

▶ Resilient

- Few critical points of failure
- Simple recovery approach

▶ Sustainable

- Uniform design across diverse landscape
- Consistent with Demand Solutions best practices
- Accelerates and Sustains Supply Chain Benefits
- Support by pool of resources knowledgeable about both Demand Solutions and AdapLink

▶ Growing

- AdapLink is the only integration platform that will continue to grow in perfect alignment with Demand Solutions

AdapLink Integration: Sustainability

- ▶ AdapLink is designed and implemented with sustainability in mind
 - **Data volume scalability** is ensured through **delta capability** and architecture supporting **parallel processing** in all important areas.
 - **Design scalability** is ensured by making the **addition of data sources/targets straight forward** without “breaking” what already has been implemented.
 - **Durability** across Demand Solutions releases is enabled by **American Software maintaining integration adapters** as the overall Demand Solutions platform is updated
 - **Supportability** is ensured by applying **common integration designs across customers**. AdapLink-capable resources can quickly be ready to support new customers.

Which Method Will You Choose?

Simple

- ▶ Single source and target system
- ▶ Refresh data on set schedule
- ▶ Consistent data
- ▶ Local / regional team



Complex

- ▶ Multiple source and target systems
- ▶ Data refreshed frequently
- ▶ Large, changing dataset
- ▶ Team distributed across the globe



QUESTIONS?





THANK YOU

