

## The Case for the Chief Data Officer

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- 30+ years in data management
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- DAMA International (dama.org)
- 9 books and dozens of articles
- Experienced w/ 500+ data management practices
- Multi-year immersions:
  - US DoD (DISA/Army/Marines/DLA)
  - Nokia
  - Deutsche Bank
  - Wells Fargo
  - Walmart

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## CIOs aren't ...

- 88 pages, 16,000 words
- Not written for you
- It is for your boss' boss
- Must make fundamental changes to the c-suite for data (especially big data) to succeed
- Amazon Best Sellers Rank: #767,842 in Books (See Top 100 in Books)
- #312 in Books > Business & Money > Management & Leadership > Industrial
- #702 in Books > Computers & Technology > Databases & Big Data > Data Processing
- #1025 in Books > Textbooks > Computer Science > Database Storage & Design

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## The Case for the Top Data Job (TDJ)

Rethinking the Essence of a Critically Lacking Business Function



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- http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?doid=2888577.2893482

or

http://tinyurl.com/PeterStudy



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AN ACCOUNT OF THE FRAUD OF HIGHER EDUCATION



**PROFESSOR DOOM** 



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#### The Case for the Chief Data Officer Why Johnny Can't Data ...

As-Is/Cause for Concern

Disclaimer/Bad Data Decisions Spiral

- Data Management Practices Hierarchy Structure
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- Self Assessment/Root Cause Analysis
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  - 1. Dedicated solely to Data Asset Leveraging
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  - 3. Reporting directly to the Business

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- Have accomplished astounding technological feats
- Have developed excellent organizational skill sets
- Have delivered phenomenal business value





### **Old Beer Accounting**



This records a purchase of "best" beer from a brewer, c. 2050 BC from the Sumerian city of Umma in Ancient Iraq http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Alulu\_Beer\_Receipt.jpg



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The first references to beer dates to as early as 6,000 BC. The very first recipe for beer is found on a 4,000-year-old Sumerian tablet containing the Hymn to Ninkasi, a prayer to the goddess of brewing.

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#### Lord Francis Bacon, 1st Viscount St. Alban

- Father of empiricism
- Popularized inductive methodologies for scientific inquiry
- Inspiration for the founding of the Royal Society in 1660

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## **Formalizing Data Systems**

- Defend the Realm: The authorized history of MI5 by Christopher Andrew
- World War I
- 1914
- At war with much of Europe
- 14,000,000 Germans living in the United Kingdom
- How to efficiently and effectively manage information on that many individuals?
- Using index cards?





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SERVICE MI6

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## **Hedy Lamarr**

- Google celebrated her 101st Birthday on 11/8/2015
  - Tablets for fizzy drinks
  - Improved stop light design
- Invention of "frequency hopping" radio
  - By jumping from one radio frequency to another rapidly, only a receiver that shares the key can find the transmission
  - Prevent interference with the radio guidance controls of torpedoes
- U.S. Patent 2,292,387 (w/ George Antheil)
- · Associated traffic analysis
  - Looking at other elements of a communication when you don't know the actual content
  - Time/duration of a message
  - Location of transmitters
  - Detect specific operator "fists"
  - Identify the operator and you could identify a specific ship or military unit, locate it with direction finding, and then track its activity over time

https://theconversation.com/how-wwi-codebreakers-taught-your-gas-meter-to-snitch-on-you-29924



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## **US DoD Reverse Engineering Program Manager**

- "Your first project is to keep me from having to testify to a Congressional Hearing!"
- Problem: 37 systems paid personnel within DoD
  - How many were needed?
  - How many potential losers?
- What do you mean by employee?
- Process modeling inconclusive results
- Data reverse engineering definitive
  - One legged engineer, working in waist deep waters, underneath rotating helicopter blades, on overtime





## Data Reverse Engineering

Amazon Best Sellers Rank: #1,841,642 in Books





May 28, 2014; 1:58 p.m. ET

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### Target Shareholders Should Oust Directors, ISS Says

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By Paul Ziobro

A prominent proxy adviser took the unusual step of recommending that Target Corp. shareholders oust seven of the company's 10 directors, citing what it called the board's failure to manage risk and protect the retailer from a massive data breach.

Institutional Shareholder Services, which advises big shareholders like mutual funds how to vote on corporate issues, focused on directors who serve on Target's audit and corporate-responsibility committees. Those committees are tasked with overseeing and managing risk, and the data breach showed the company was inadequately prepared for the threats posed by hackers.

"It appears that failure of the committees to ensure appropriate management of these risks set the stage for the data breach, which has resulted in significant losses to the company and its shareholders," ISS wrote.

Beth Jacobs abruptly resigned in March



Target's CEO is out in wake of big security breach











## NEWS FLASH!

46% of companies report they made an inaccurate business decision based on bad or outdated data. Bad data leads to bad business decisions. Companies need to be careful that their data is sound – especially when dealing with investors.

Like Gornment Share





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## **Data Strategy Motivation**

- Put simply, organizations:
  - Have little idea what data they have
  - do not know where it is (and)



- do not know what their knowledge workers are doing with it





#### **Bad Data Decisions Spiral** outdated data. Bad data leads to bad business decisions. Companies need to be careful that their data is sound – especially when dealing with investors. **Business decision** Technical deci-Like Comment Shar makers are not sion makers are not data knowledgable data knowledgable Bad data decisions Poor treatment of Poor organizational data quality assets data Poor organizational outcomes





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## the Data Doctrine

We are uncovering better ways of developing IT systems by doing it and helping others do it. Through this work we have come to value:

Data programmes preceding software development Stable data structures preceding stable code Shared data preceding completed software Data reuse preceding reusable code

That is, while there is value in the items on the right, we value the items on the left more.

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## Chaos Resolution by Project Size (2011-2015)



What do we teach knowledge workers about data?



## What do we teach IT professionals about data?

- 1 course
  - How to build a new database
- What

impressions do IT professionals get from this education?

 Data is a technical skill that is needed when developing new databases



- If we are migrating databases, we are not creating new databases and we don't need organizational data management knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs).
- If we are implementing a new software package, we are not creating a new database and therefore we do not need data management KSAs.
- If we are installing an enterprise resource package (ERP), we are not creating a new database and therefore we do not need data management KSAs.



## **Expanding Data Management Scope**

Database Administration (DBA)≈1950-1970 Database design Database operation	Data Administration (DA) ≈ 1970-1990	Enterprise Data Administration (EDA) ≈ 1990-2000	Data Management (DM) ≈ 2000-			
Data requirements analysis Data modeling Organization-wide DM coordination Organization-wide data integration Data stewardship, Data use						
Data Governance, Data Quality, Data Security, Analytics, Data Compliance, Data Mashups, Business Rules (more)						





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## We believe ...

Asset: A resource controlled by the organization as a result of past events or transactions and from which future economic benefits are expected to flow [Wikipedia]

- Today, data is the most powerful, yet underutilized and poorly managed organizational asset
- Data is your
  - Sole
  - Non-depletable
  - Non-degrading
  - Durable
  - Strategic
- Asset

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- Data is the new oil!
- Data is the new (s)oil!
- Data is the new bacon!
- · Our mission is to unlock business value by
  - Strengthening your data management capabilities
  - Providing tailored solutions, and
  - Building lasting partnerships

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Data Assets Win!

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## **Data Strategy and Data Governance in Context**



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## **Data Strategy & Data Governance**



## As Is State of Data (as Perceived)



## Desired To Be State of Data (as Understood)



## Making a Better Data Sandwich



## Making a Better Data Sandwich

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## **Making a Better Data Sandwich**

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### Niccolo Machiavelli (1469-1527)

He who doesn't lay his foundations before hand, may by great abilities do so afterward ...

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... although with great trouble to the architect and danger to the building.

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## A Model Defining 3 Important Concepts

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- 1. Each FACT combines with one or more MEANINGS.
- 2. Each specific FACT and MEANING combination is referred to as a DATUM.
- 3. An INFORMATION is one or more DATA that are returned in response to a specific REQUEST
- 4. INFORMATION REUSE is enabled when one FACT is combined with more than one MEANING.
- 5. INTELLIGENCE is INFORMATION associated with its STRATEGIC USES.
- 6. DATA/INFORMATION must formally arranged into an ARCHITECTURE. [Built on definitions from Dan Appleton 1983]

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## Data is a hidden IT Expense

- Organizations spend between 20 - 40% of their IT budget evolving their data - including:
  - Data migration
    - Changing the location from one place to another
  - Data conversion
    - Changing data into another form, state, or product
  - Data improving
    - Inspecting and manipulating, or re-keying data to prepare it for subsequent use

- Source: John Zachman

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#### Key Finding: Process Frameworks are not Created Equal

With the exception of CMM and ITIL, use of process-efficiency frameworks does not predict higher on-budget project delivery...

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By Process Framework Adoption E Companies Not Using Given Framework 86% 84% 78% 77% 77% All 74% 73% Respondents' 72% Average = 75% 689! 67% CMM/CMMI ITIE RUP CobiT PMI/OPM3 CORPORATI EXECUTIVI B.O.A.R.I n = 30

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Data Management Practice Areas			Capability				
Data Management	DM is practiced as a coherent and coordinated set of activities		Maturity Model Levels	Examples of practice maturity			
Strategy			1 – Performed	Our DM practices are ad hoc and dependent upon "heroes" and heroic efforts			
	Delivery of data is support of organizational objectives – the currency of DM Designating specific individuals caretakers for certain data Efficient delivery of data via appropriate channels Ensuring reliable access to data			We have DM experience and have			
Data Quality			2 – Managed	the ability to implement disciplined processes			
				We have standardized DM practices			
Data Governance			3 – Defined	so that all in the organization can perform it with uniform quality			
				We manage our DM processes so that the whole organization can follow our standard DM guidance			
Data Platform/ Architecture			4 – Measured				
Data Operations			5 – Optimized	We have a process for improving our DM capabilities			

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## **Industry Focused Results**

•	CMU's Software Engineering Institute (SEI) Collaboration Results from hundreds organizations in						
•	<ul> <li>various industries including:</li> <li>✓ Public Companies</li> <li>✓ State Government Agencies</li> <li>✓ Federal Government</li> <li>✓ International Organizations</li> <li>Defined industry standard</li> <li>Steps toward defining data management</li> <li>"state of the practice"</li> </ul>		Initial (I)	Managed (II)	Defined (III)	Measured (IV)	Optimized (V)
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## **Comparative Assessment Results**

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## **Comparison of DM Maturity 2007-2012**

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## **Conclusion must be?**

- 1. CIOs are unaware of the strategic nature of data; or
- CIOs are not concerned about how data management is accomplished in their organizations; or
- CIOs think data management is being adequately accomplished in their organizations

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## Enron

- August 2001 Enron stock falls to \$42/share from \$90/share
- Dynergy brings several \$ billion in an attempted rescue
- Enron spends entire amount in 1 week
  - Any person can write a check at Enron for
  - Any amount of money for
  - Any purchase at
  - Any time
- Enron goes back to Dynergy for more \$
- Dynergy: What happened to the several \$ billion I gave you last week?
- Enron:

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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Enron

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## **CFO Necessary Prerequisites/Qualifications**

- CPA
- CMA
- Masters of Accountancy
- Other recognized degrees/certifications
- These are necessary but insufficient prerequisites/ qualifications

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## The "Chief Officer" Title

- Chief
  - The head or leader of an organized body of people; the person highest in authority: the chief of police

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- Chief Financial Officer (CFO)
  - Individual possessing the knowledge, skills, and abilities to be both the final authority and decision-maker in organizational financial matters
- Chief Risk Officer (CRO)
  - Individual possessing the knowledge, skills, and abilities makes decisions and implements risk management
- Chief Medical Officer (CMO)
  - Responsible for organizational medical matters. The organization, and the public, has similar expectations for any of chief officer – especially after the Sarbanes-Oxley bill.

[dictionary.com]

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## **CIO Infrastructure Focus**

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## Top Five CIO Concerns 2005-2011

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## Top Five CIO Concerns 2005-2011

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#### Where does data go?

#### The Top Job

- Finance
- Operations
- Sale/Marketing
- HR

#### Information? Risk

- Technology/CIO
  - Align IT initiatives with business goals
  - Improving IT operations performance
  - Cultivating the IT/business partnership
  - Cost control/expense management
  - Implementing new systems
  - Leading change efforts
  - Driving business innovation
  - Redesigning business processes
  - Developing and refining business strategy
  - Negotiating with IT vendors
  - Managing IT crises
  - Developing market strategies & technologies
  - Security management
  - Studying trends to identify opportunities

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## Change the status quo!

- Keep in mind that the appointment of a CDO typically comes from a high-level decision. In practice, it can trigger an array of problematic reactions within the organization including:
  - confusion,
  - uncertainty,
  - doubt.
  - resentment and
  - resistance.
- CDOs need to rise to the challenge of changing the status quo if they expect to lead the business in making data a strategic asset.
  - from What Chief Data Officers Need to Do to Succeed by Mario Faria

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## **IT Project or Application-Centric Development**

- In support of strategy, organizations implement IT projects
- Data/information are typically considered within the scope of IT projects
- Problems with this approach:
  - Ensures data is formed to the applications and not around the organizational-wide information requirements
  - Process are narrowly formed around applications
  - Very little data reuse is possible

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Original articulation from Doug Bagley @ Walmark

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### **Evolving Data is Different than Creating New Systems**

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## Data is not a Project

- Durable asset
  - An asset that has a usable life more than one year
- Reasonable project deliverables
  - 90 day increments
  - Data evolution is measured in years
- Data
  - Evolves it is not created
  - Significantly more stable
- Readymade data architectural components
  - Prerequisite to agile development
- Only alternative is to create additional data siloes!

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## **Data-Centric Development**

- In support of strategy, the organization develops specific, shared data-based goals/objectives
- These organizational data goals/ objectives drive the development of specific IT projects with an eye to organization-wide usage
- Advantages of this approach:
  - Data/information assets are developed from an organization-wide perspective
  - Systems support organizational data needs and compliment organizational process flows
  - Maximum data/information reuse

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## Confusion

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- IT thinks data is a business problem
  - "If they can connect to the server, then my job is done!"
- The business thinks IT is managing data adequately
  - "Who else would be taking care of it?"

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- There is enough work to justify the function and not much talent
- The CDO provides significant input to the Top Information Technology Job
- 90 Percent of Large Global Organizations Will Have Appointed Chief Data Officers By 2019 Gartner press release. Gartner website (accessed January 26, 2016). January 26, 2016. http://www.gartner.com/newsroom/id/3190117?
- By 2020, 60% of CIOs in global organizations will be supplanted by the Chief Digital Officer (CDO) for the delivery of IT-enabled products and digital services (IDC)
- 2015 Experian survey of 250 CIOs found 90% of feel that data is transforming the way they do business, with some 92% suggesting that the CDO is best placed to define data strategy and be the guardian of data quality within an organisation

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## **Data Strategy is Implemented in 2 Phases**

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## **Exorcising the Seven Deadly Data Sins**

Not Understanding Data-Centric Thinking

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- Lacking Qualified Data Leadership
- Not implementing a Robust, Programmatic Means of Developing Shared Data

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- Not Aligning The Data Program with IT Projects
- 5
- Failing to Adequately Manage Expectations
- Not Sequencing Data
   Strategy Implementation

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Failing To Address Cultural And Change Management Challenges

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## Each of the three most common reporting structures has positive and negative implications to consider

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## **CDO Reporting Particulars**

- 1. Report outside of IT and the current CIO altogether;
- 2. Report to the same organizational structure that the CFO and other "top" jobs report into; and
- 3. Focus on activities that are outside of (and more importantly) upstream from any system development lifecycle activities (SDLC).

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## The CDO mandate should align with the organization's key aspiration on the data value chain

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Source: IBM Institute for Business Value. 2016

## The CDO key priorities evolve as organizational capabilities develop

![](_page_51_Figure_1.jpeg)

Organizations with a CDO also collect a more diverse dataset than those without one

With a CDO 📃 Without a CDO

- data

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### Sample: Reengineering the Location Data Element

- First, fix the prerequisites!
- The problem:
  - Issuing new store numbers
  - Spreadsheet based
  - Pervasive
  - Not governed
  - Would issue the last available store number is this calendar year
- The solution:
  - 1. Identify-data/systems inventory
  - 2. Exploit-3 digit expanded to 10 digits
  - 3. Subordinate-prioritize and sequence remediation
  - 4. Elevate-EXECUTE!
  - 5. Repeat the above steps to address the new constraint

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![](_page_53_Picture_18.jpeg)

 Chief Electrification Officer – responsible for electrical generating and distribution systems. The title was used mainly in developed countries from the 1880s to 1940s during the electrification of industry, but is still used in some developing countries.

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http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?doid=2888577.2893482

or

http://tinyurl.com/PeterStudy

![](_page_54_Picture_4.jpeg)

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Rethinking the Essence of a Critically Lacking Business Function

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