

Conditioning Data for Digital Transformation

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About Pimsoft & Sigmafine



Company

Headquartered in Turin (IT) offices in Milan, Houston (TX), Cherry Hill (NJ)

OSIsoft Partner since 1995

- Tier: Select
- Type: OEM, System Integrator, Application Partner, Value-added Reseller



Product

Sigmafine - AF Application & Extension (OEM)

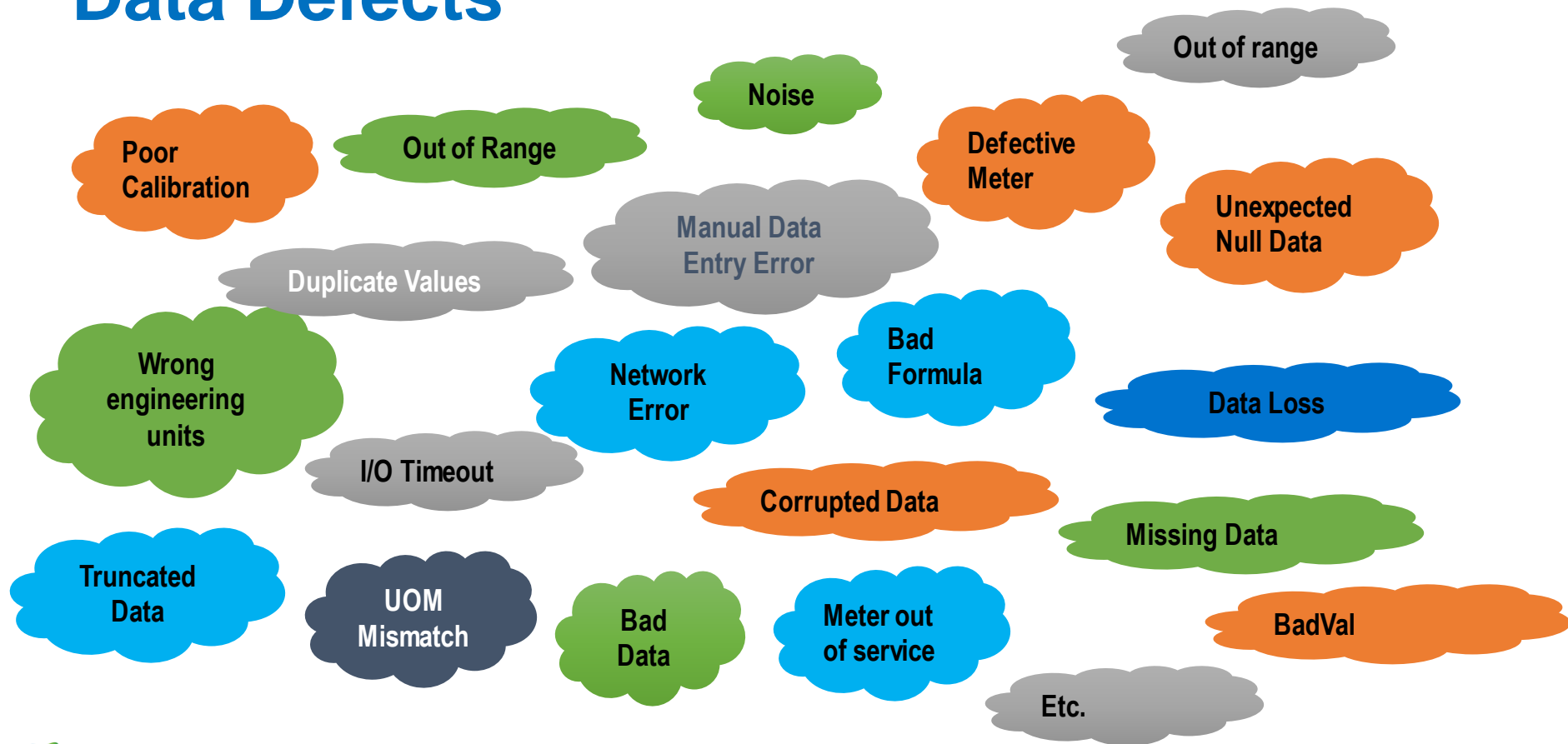
- Integrates natively with the OSIsoft PI System
- Adds connectivity and model building capabilities to AF



Data Quality challenges in the Process Industries

- ✓ Inherent precision limitations of measurement systems
- ✓ Unpredictable occurrence of data defects
- ✓ Detection of data defects with minimal human vigilance
- ✓ Create coherent & usable datasets with the lowest margin of error possible for Digital Transformation initiatives
- ✓ Manual entries vs. human errors
- ✓ Repurposing of data & events for different use cases
- ✓ Sustainability of data curation/validation

Data Defects



What “Data Conditioning”

Def.: -> Bring into the desired “state of use”

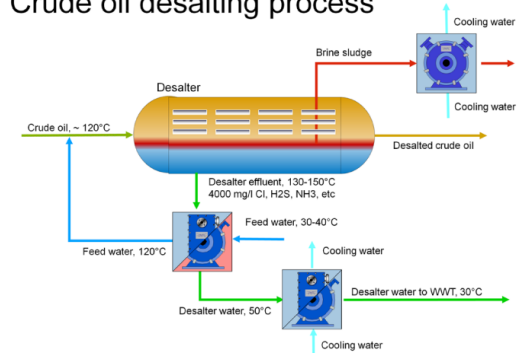


Air



Skin

Crude oil desalting process



Crude oil

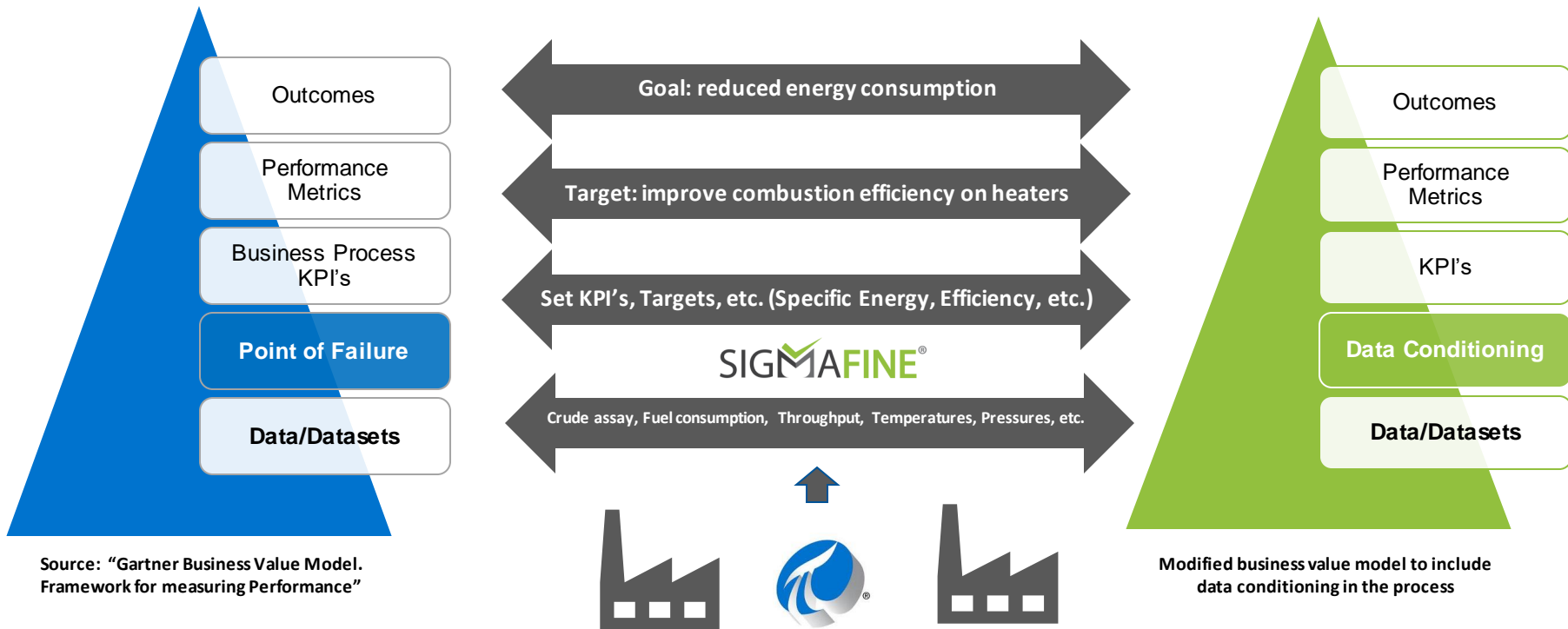
Data Conditioning by Sigmafine® brings “Process Data” into the desired “state of use”

Why “Data Conditioning”



Reduce the Margin of Doubt

Data Quality → Single Point of Failure



Data Lifecycle



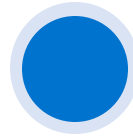
Raw

- As measured
- Off the sensors



Cleansed

- Processed at or near acquisition time



Conditioned

- Post processed
- Model based

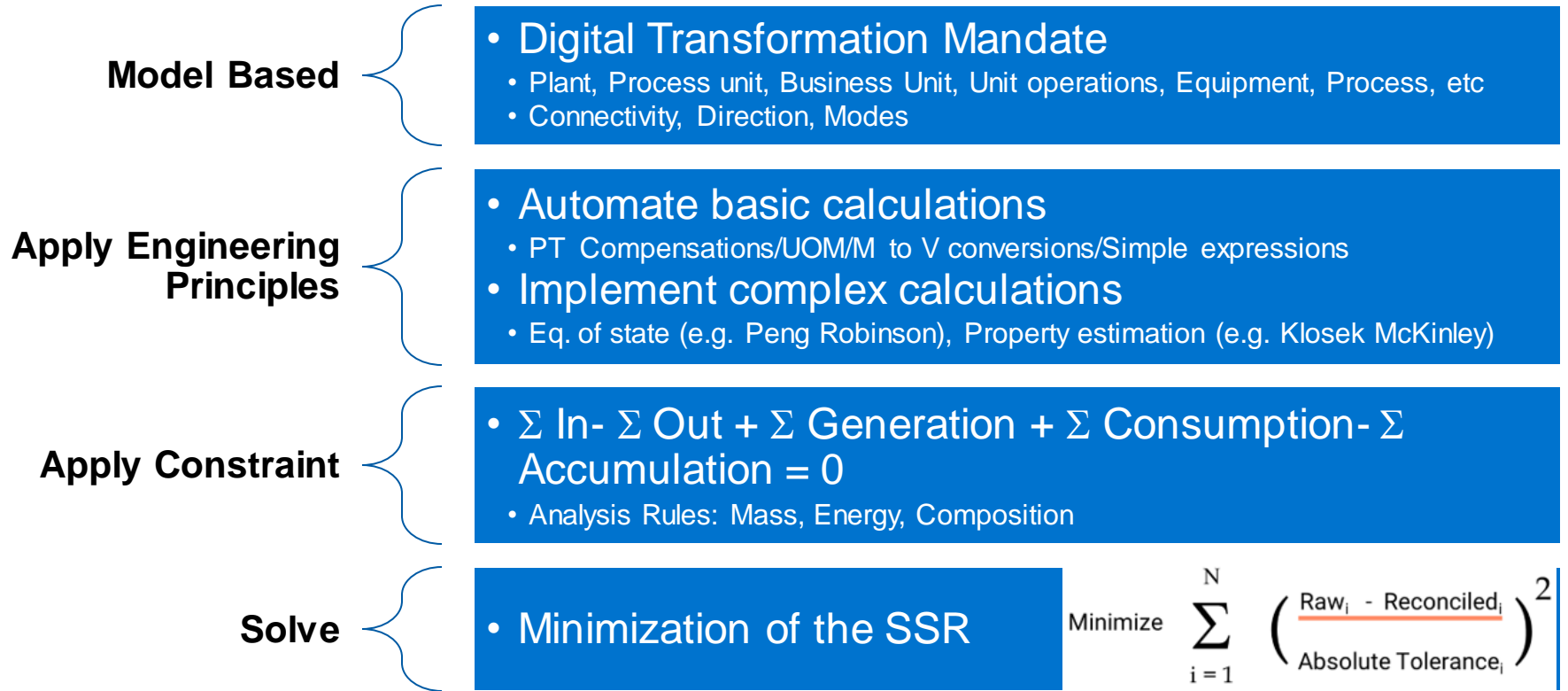
Data Quality Goal
→ Zero Defects



Data Quality Goal
→ Fitness for use

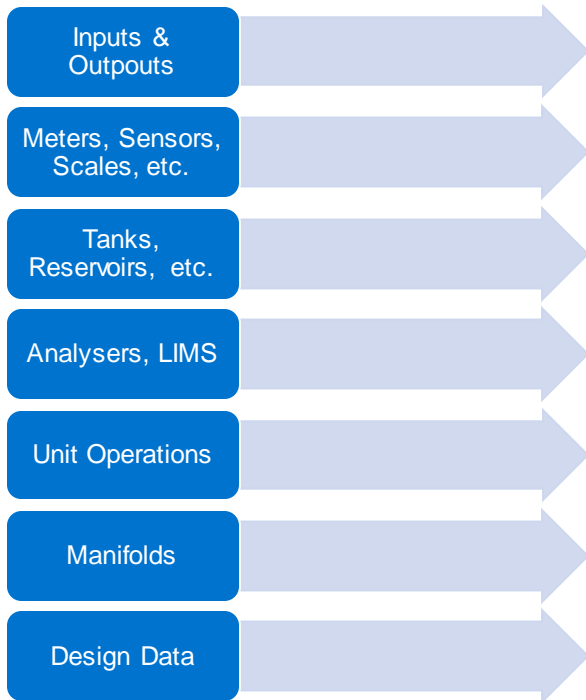
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How Data Conditioning works

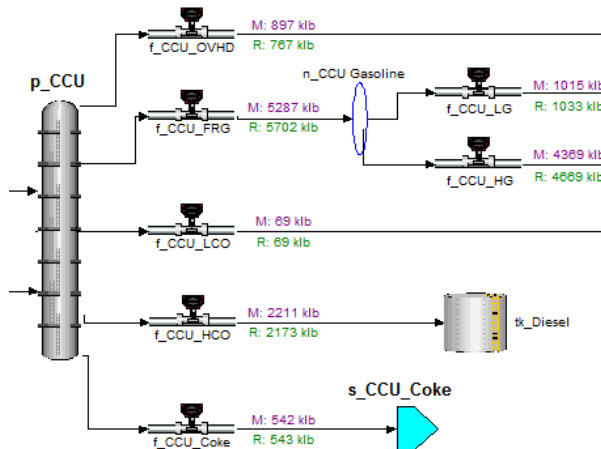


How models are built

AF ELEMENTS



MODEL



How Elements are related

- Connectivity
- Direction
- Mode

SCOPE/ENVELOPE

- Company wide, plantwide
- Unit, Unit Operations
- Utilities system & network
- Equipment
- Etc.

CALCULATIONS

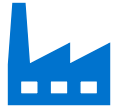
- Data References
- Extensions

ANALYSIS/CONSTRAINT

- Mass, Energy
- Mass & Energy
- Composition
- Properties

TIME RULES

- Near Real-Time
- Batch
- Hourly
- Daily
- Monthly



Case Studies

- NIS - Value Chain Optimization
 - Reconciling mass balance from production to retail in O&G
 - <https://sigmafine.pimsoftinc.com/digitalizing-the-value-chain-mass-balance-for-an-integrated-energy-company-nis/>
- IPLOM - Equipment Performance
 - Performance monitoring on a process heater
 - <https://sigmafine.pimsoftinc.com/iplom-supporting-timely-business-decisions-in-an-agile-refinery-with-sigmafine/>
- ENI - Product Quality
 - Estimating feedstock quality – Aromatics extraction
 - <https://sigmafine.pimsoftinc.com/leveraging-sigmafine-and-the-pi-system-to-ensure-data-consistency-through-the-eni-versalis-mes-infrastructure/>

Value Chain Mass Balance

CHALLENGES

- Make sense of data belonging to different company LOB's
- Handle several systems with a lot of different data formats available in different times
- Manual entries causing poor quality and complex monthly reconciliation procedures

SOLUTION

- Create a data lake within the PI System
- Model the full logistic network in Sigmafine
- Automate data collection of all tank internal data, receipt, shipments, sales& purchases
- Automate notification of large discrepancies to operations and stakeholders

BENEFITS

- Accurate logistic data now available on daily basis
- Integrated view of validated data across the entire company
- Improve operations of distribution network and identification of losses and thefts
- Provided the backbone for the gas and energy trading platform



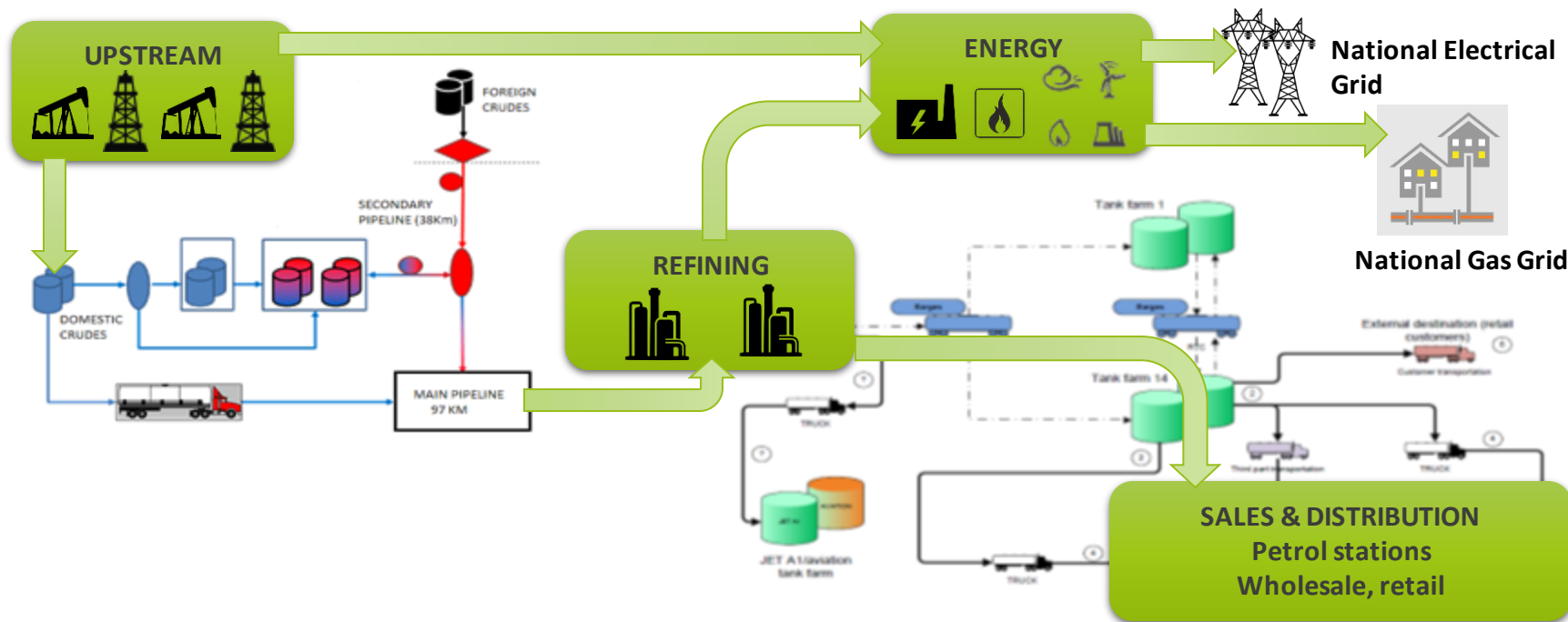
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Everybody now can do the quick analytics: previously it was necessary 4 days, now people make analytics in 15-20 minutes.

Igor Stanic, Mass Balance Manager, NIS

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Value chain



Model based performance monitoring

CHALLENGES

- Direct measurement of vaporized crude not available
- Crude blends changing every 2-3 days
- Hard to get reliable EnPIs⁽¹⁾ data for the CDU furnace, the most energy intensive equipment

SOLUTION

- Model based performance monitoring of the furnace using Sigmafine mass & energy balance
- Sigmafine App for Thermodynamics enables crude properties estimation within PIAF

BENEFITS

- Improved operational decision leading to savings of 300,000 €/y and 2,700 t CO₂/y
- Reliable EnPIs for the Energy Manager accessible anytime through PBI dashboard



(1) EnPIs – Energy Performance Indicators (ISO-50001)



Only trustable data, available at the right time to the right people which can take decisions are really useful to increase the company's income.

Walter Mantelli, Technical Director, Iplom S.p.A.



Data Conditioning Lifecycle

From Raw to Cleansed Data

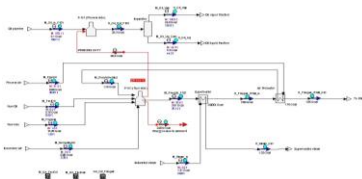
Data Conditioning

Data Consumption



Process data
[real-time]

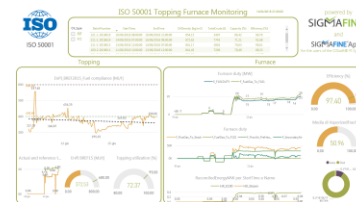
Crude analysis
[per batch]



Sigmafine model
Mass & Energy balance
[hourly]

Thermodynamic App

- Crude properties
- V-L equilibrium
- Enthalpy

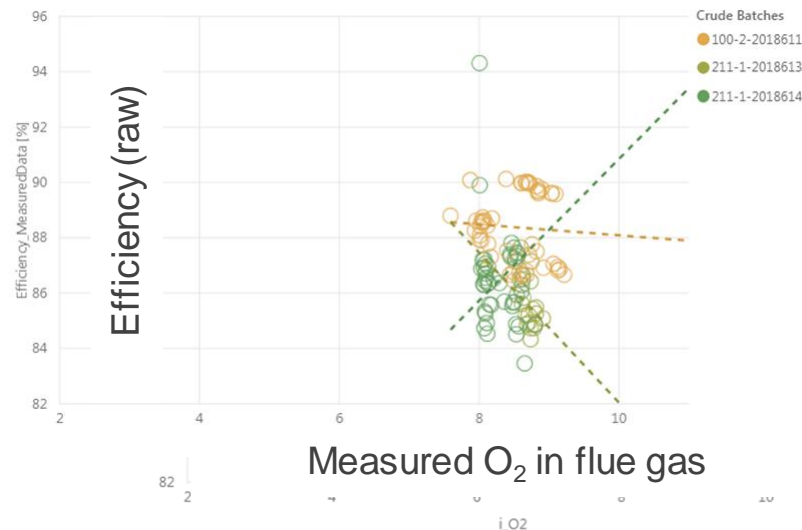


Energy
manager

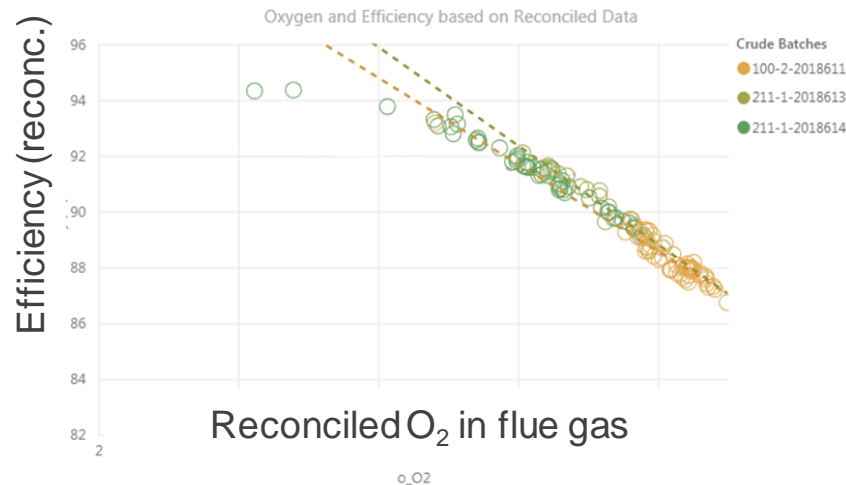


Control room

Measured vs. Conditioned Data



Before



After

Quality Tracking



CHALLENGES

- Data spread out among several repositories, even on paper
- Lack of visibility of plant performance against feedstocks
- Planning possible on monthly basis only due to lack of daily updates

SOLUTION

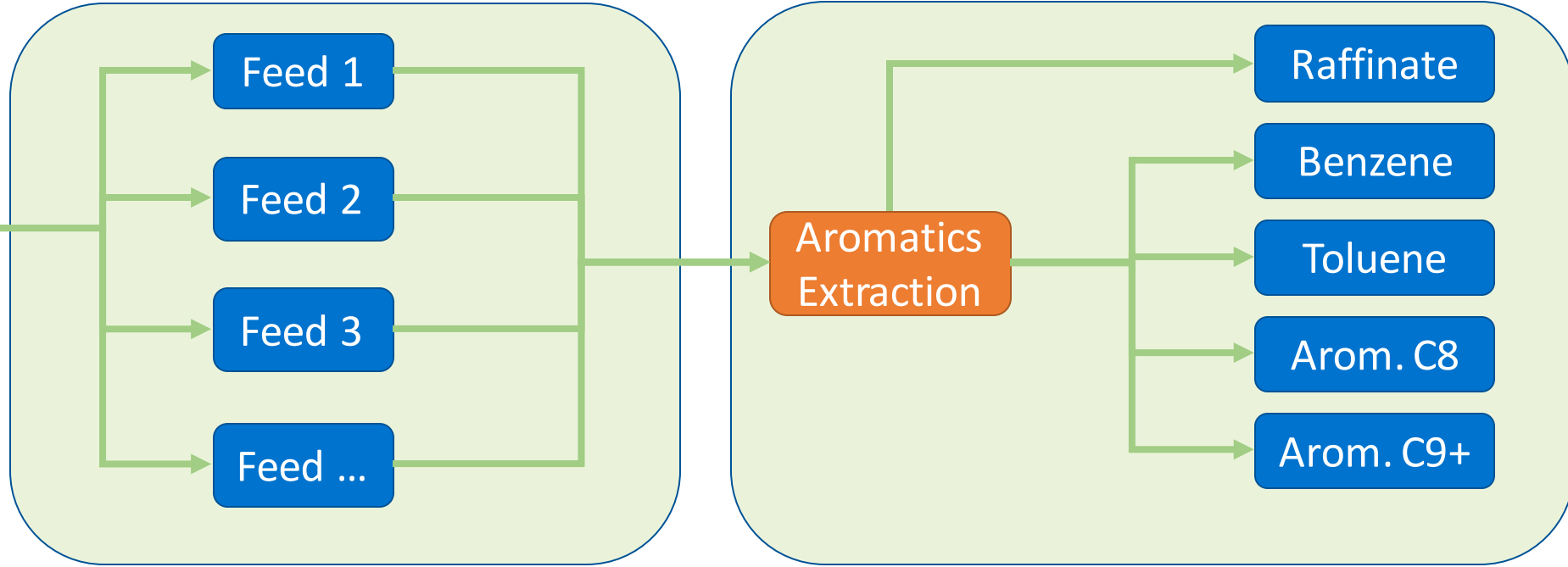
- Data have been aggregated in a MES system powered by PI System
- Sigmafine quality tracking provided daily estimation of stocks and plant feed composition and related physical properties

BENEFITS

- Daily plant yields and daily material stocks
- Improvement of supply chain operations and reduction of operating costs
- Identification of plant inefficiencies to enable on-time action



Quality Tracking



Reconciled
Feed-in

+

Quality
Tracking



Expected
Yield

Reduced
Uncertainty

Reconciled
Yield



Reconciled
Production

Conclusion

Direct Benefits of Data Conditioning

- Lowers the margin of doubt → \$
- Achieve “Fitness for use” → \$
- Creates a repeatable, reliable & sustainable process

Indirect Benefits of Data Conditioning

- Models → Digitalizes operational intelligence & enable its reuse at low marginal cost
- Data Reconciliation → Generates Data Quality KPI's to drive continuous improvement & data defects detection

For more information



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