



# **Intelligent Buildings Council (IBC) Webinar Webinar/Meeting will commence 12:05pm ET**

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## 2. Call to Order, Welcome, Introductions, About the IBC

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### 3. Administrative

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Motion to approve past IBC  
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# 4. Research Update

Robert Lane(Robert H. Lane and Associates Inc.)

## 2023 IBC Landmark Research Intelligent Building Technology & Market Trends



**BELIMO**

**CHICAGO  
FAUCETS**  
a Geberit company

**CyberPower**

**DISTECH  
CONTROLS**

**Dwyer**

**EBTRON**  
a measurable difference!

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Ingenuity for life



**Southwire**

**SUPERIOR  
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**TRANE**  
TECHNOLOGIES





# 4. Research Update

Greg Walker (ASHB)

## Annual BACS Market Sizing North America



Automated  
Logic



**BELIMO**

**Delta**  
CONTROLS

**DISTECH**  
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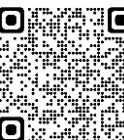
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## 5. Keynote

Harsha Chandrashekar (Honeywell International, Inc.)

### **Analytics as a Core Offering**

Service businesses can leverage operationalised analytics solutions to scale their impact on operational efficiency and decarbonisation



Leon Wurfel  
Founder

**bueno**







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Analytics as a Core Offering





# Agenda



Headwinds for services/contracting businesses



Goals for services/contracting businesses



A temperature test on the adoption of analytics



Analytics embedded into services organizations



The challenges to making it all work

# Headwinds for services businesses (SI's, Mechanical, MSI's)



New construction is slowing down



Downwards OPEX pressure



Talent pool pressure

# Tailwinds



ESG



AI



OPEX reductions



# Goals for services businesses (SI's, Mechanical, MSI's).



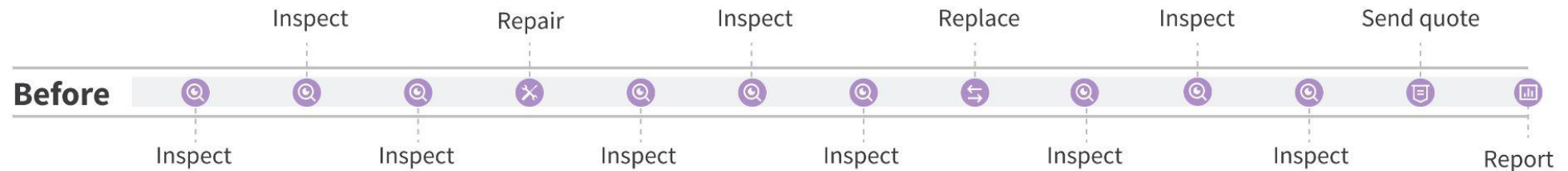
- Differentiate construction bids
- Protect existing service revenues
- Grow additional service revenues
- Retain good people
- Get more out of existing labor force

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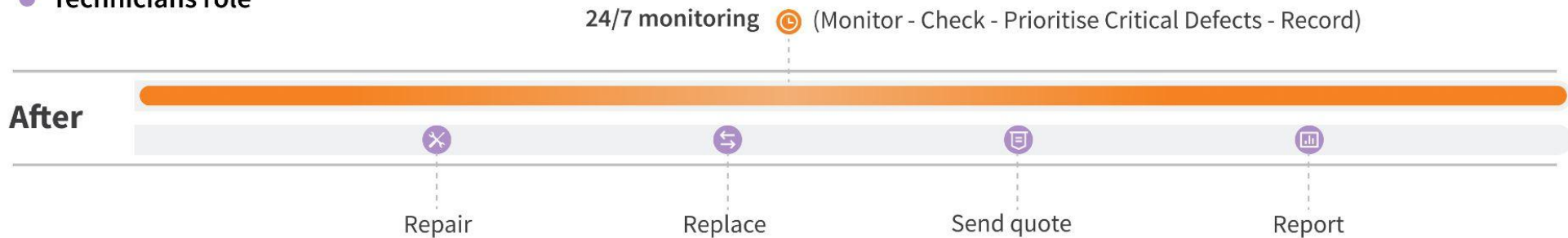
## Monthly rotational checks

### ● Technicians role



### ● The FDD solution

### ● Technicians role



# How can analytics help



## Construction

- Differentiate construction bids
- Enhanced punch sheet/warranty management
- Reduce commissioning labor





# How can analytics help



## Service

- Protect existing service revenues
- Grow additional service revenues (upsell to energy efficiency based services)
- Deploy more remote labor from centralised, remote services team
- Pull through



# How can analytics help



## People

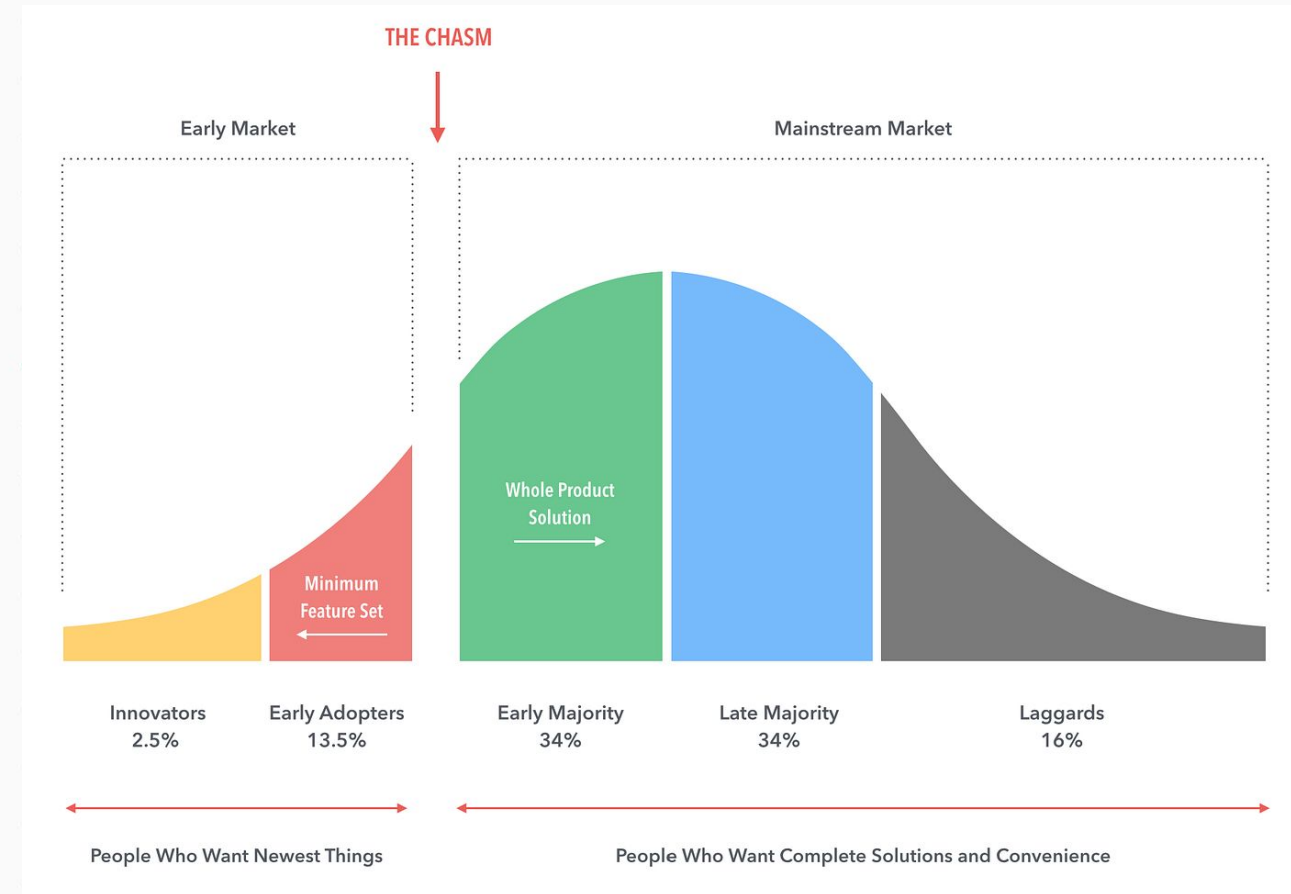
- Retain good people
- Automate work that is not seen as value adding by the technician workforce
- Get more out of existing labor force (can do 15-20% more service contracts with the same team size)



# Analytics temperature test



- So far only adopted by 10-15% of the addressable market for analytics
- It's not a new solution, has been around in one way or another for 15 years
- Why isn't it more widely adopted?
- Will the thematics of ESG, talent pool pressure and drive towards OPEX savings make this time different?

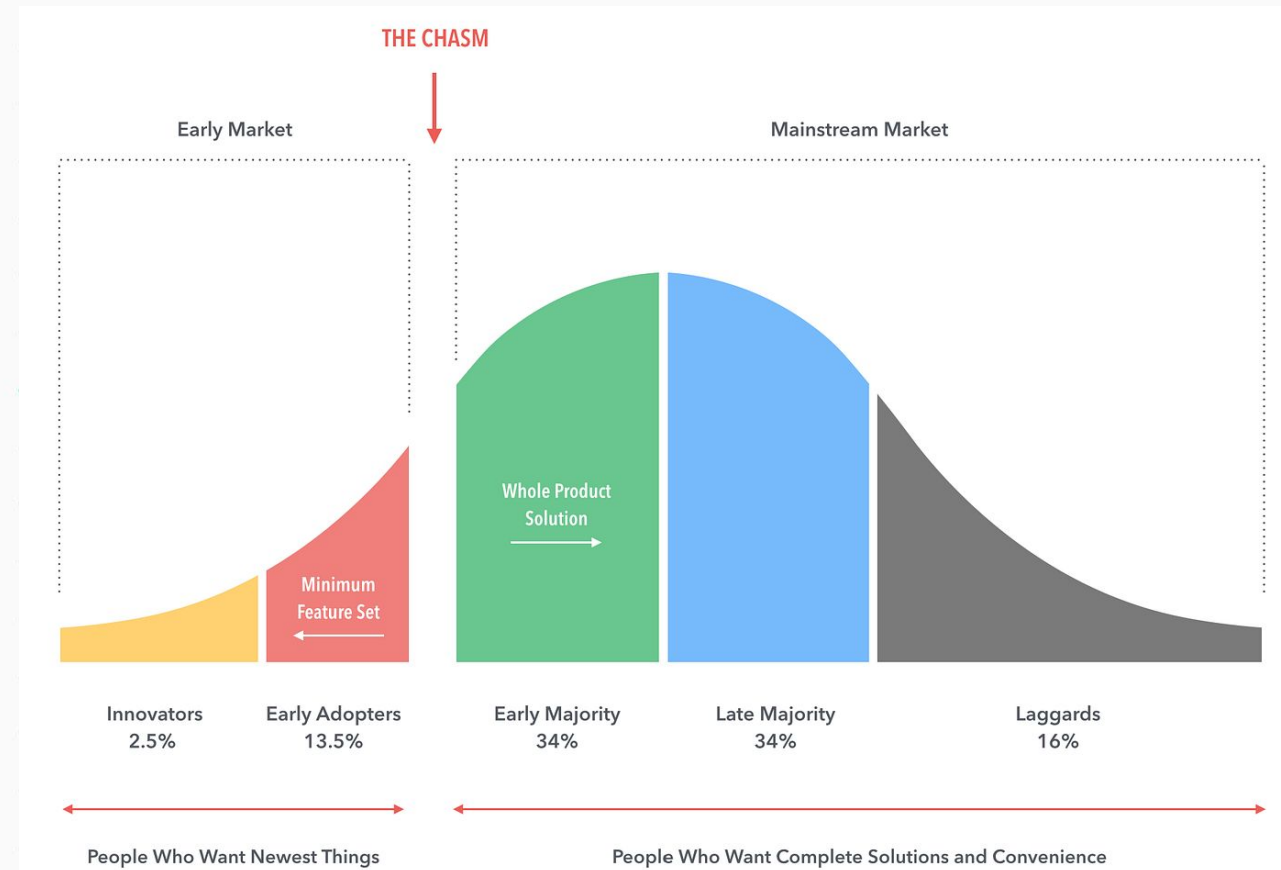




# Challenges to embedding analytics in the service business model



- Data acquisition strategy
- Data integrity / data decay
- Centralisation of resources
- Prioritisation of use cases



Each of the above have been barriers to mainstream adoption of analytics

For analytics to cross the chasm the industry needs to figure out a way to build it into core business and make money via a win-win-win

# Data acquisition strategy - TL:DR



Historically analytics deployments have taken ~4-8 weeks to complete - this is too long and too costly

As an integrated solution provider SI's/MSI's have more control over the standards used in deploying their OT

Between being strategic about integration choices and applying engineering standards the deployment time can be reduced to days

Setup costs for analytics is a huge barrier to including analytics “as standard” in service contracts

# Data integrity - why is it important?



The rule of 10: rectifying an issue with a data problem requires 10 times the effort of an issue with good data.

Machine learning / advanced analytics requires good quality data.

**50%** — the amount of time that knowledge workers waste hunting in hidden data silos, finding and correcting errors, and searching for confirmatory sources for data they don't trust.



# Data integrity - a case study



The client - one of the top 20 biggest retailers in the world.

Bueno deployment - 1,084 sites, ~1.5M data points, completed in 2019.

The journey with data integrity - Very problematic to manage at scale, sites/equipment altered, false positives trigger, rectification works are expensive.

Without intervention data integrity decays at 7% per year. This is not acceptable for an operationalised solution responsible for tens of \$Mns of savings each year.

A diagram showing a network of nodes and connections. There are six nodes in total, arranged in a grid-like pattern. Three nodes are highlighted in orange, and three are white. Dashed lines connect the nodes, forming a network structure.

- ## Automated data integrity management can solve 77% of data decay issues

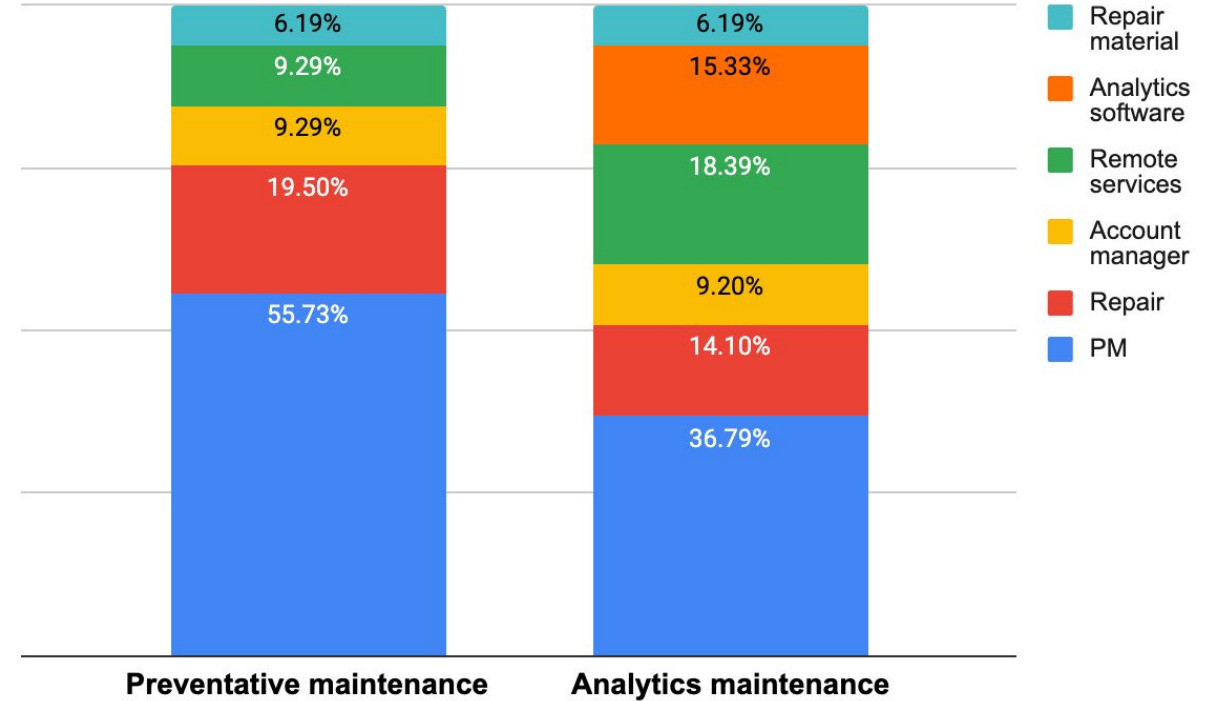
# Centralised resources



The anatomy of an analytics based maintenance contract

Same GM, same sell price to client

Organisations need to build remote services capability to make it work



Service orgs can do 15% more maintenance contracts with the same workforce

Clients get better outcomes from analytics based maintenance

# Challenges: Prioritization of use cases



- Coil and tray inspection (preventative maintenance)
- Energy slip (MBCx / EPC)
- Case icing (predictive maintenance - refrigeration)

Analytics should not be looked at as “another” technology to sell on top of a BMS

Analytics is a business process automation tool for services businesses

Find the processes that you want to automate and go from there

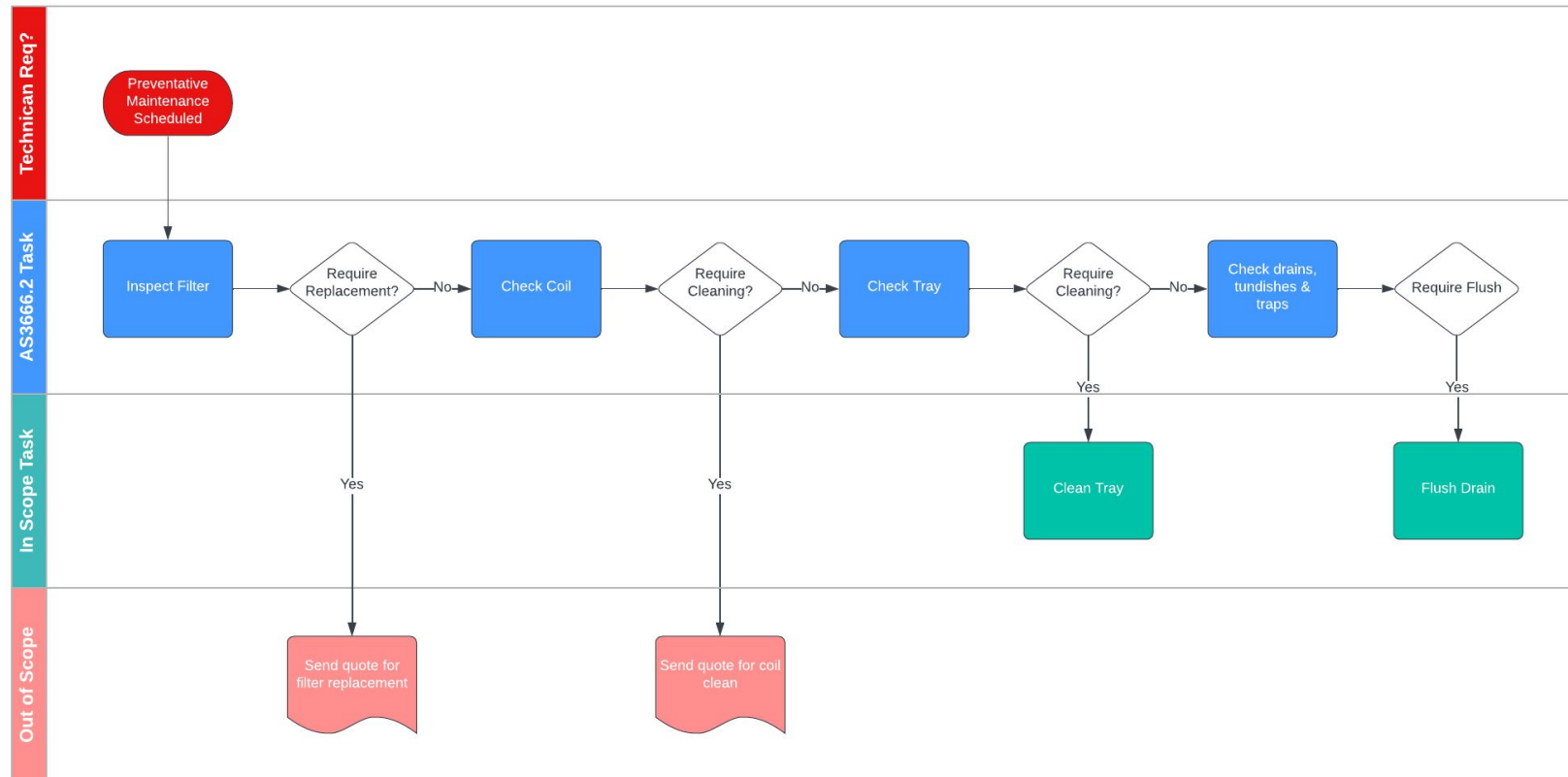


# Challenges: Prioritization of use cases - tray & coil inspection

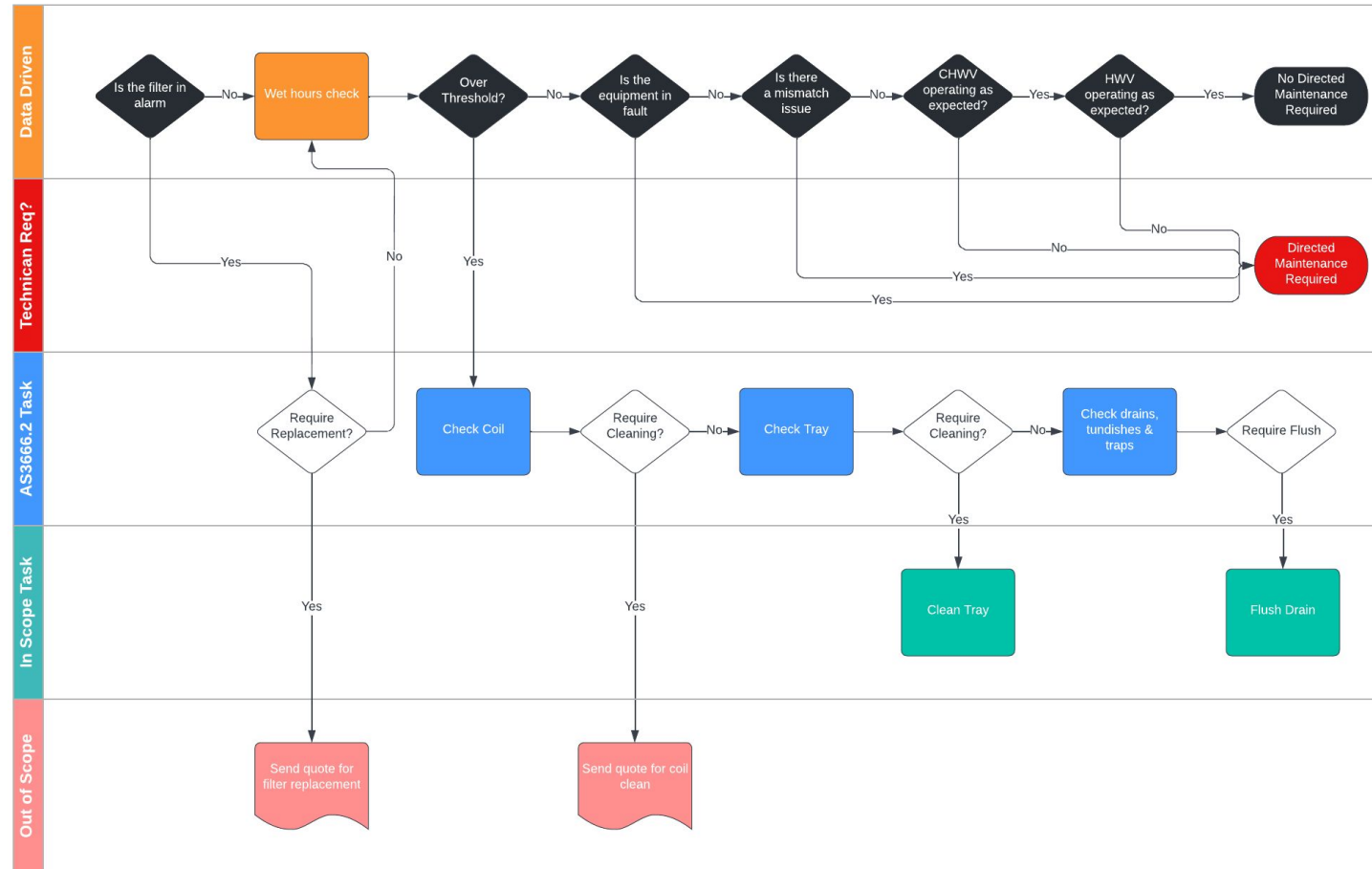


Coil and tray inspections:

- \$7M / labour costs / year for one contracting client
- \$650k / year for one casino client



# Challenges: Prioritization of use cases - tray & coil inspection



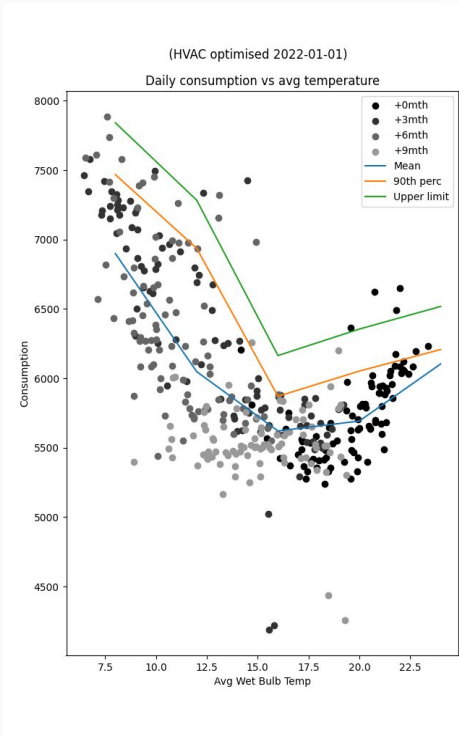
**An analytics driven process is a 65% reduction in required PM labor**

# Challenges: Prioritization of use cases - energy slip



For MCBx / EPC providers:

- Weekly report of weather normalized energy use outside of expected modeled use
- Users will flag sites with changes to be excluded for next week's report
- Insurance against Energy Slip



## WEEKLY ENERGY SLIP REPORT VS 365 DAY ROLLING BASELINE

### Sites with highest energy slip

for  
02 JULY 2023 - 09 JULY 2023

Here are the top 10 highest priority sites to investigate based on the severity of energy slip over the past 7 days:  
**2 Jul 23 - 9 Jul 23**

An energy slip *hit* occurs when the total daily consumption at main meter level is too high based on the daily average wet bulb temp, compared to the 12 month rolling baseline period of that store.

Ranked by Hit Count

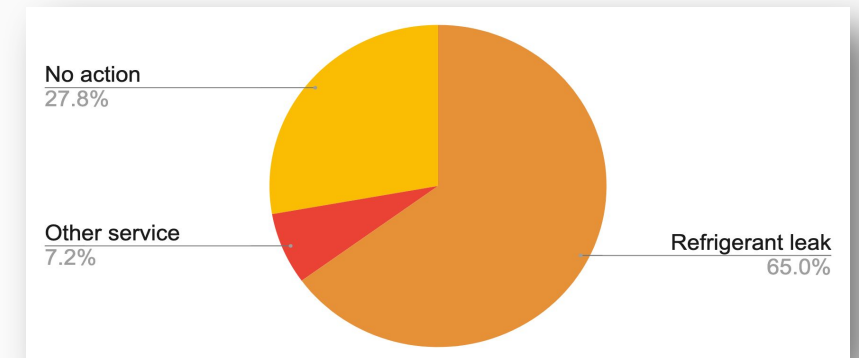
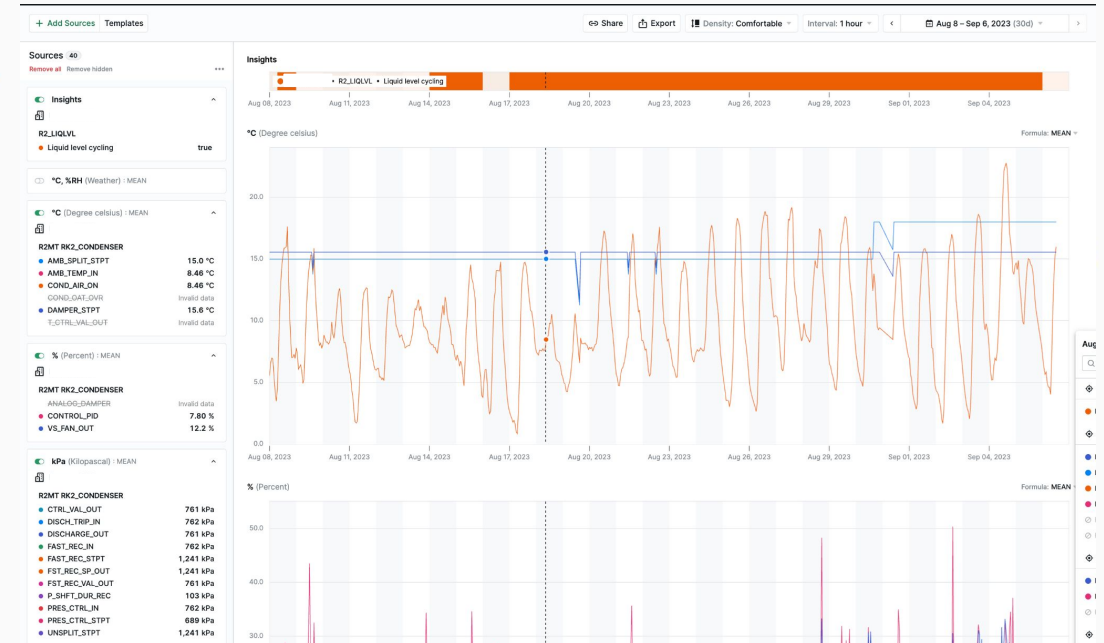
Site	Hits	Consumption (kWh)	Above limit (kWh)	% above limit	Link
	6	39037	3617	10%	
	6	24610	2603	12%	
	6	33598	7289	28%	

# Challenges: Prioritization of use cases - refrigerant leak detection



## Early identification of refrigerant leaks

- **Predictive.** Our “Liquid level cycling” rule predicts refrigerant leaks by spotting specific changes in the behaviour of the liquid level switch.
- **Validated.** This rule has been continuously improved with direct feedback from field teams over hundreds of work orders to the point where it is 72.2% accurate. Some clients now have greenlit the automatic creation of work orders from this rule.
- **Operational savings.** For clients with significant refrigeration deployed across their properties this rule alone delivers hundreds of thousands of dollars of evergreen savings every year (for grocery an average of \$4k / store / year) as well as the environmental benefit of avoiding the lost refrigerant.



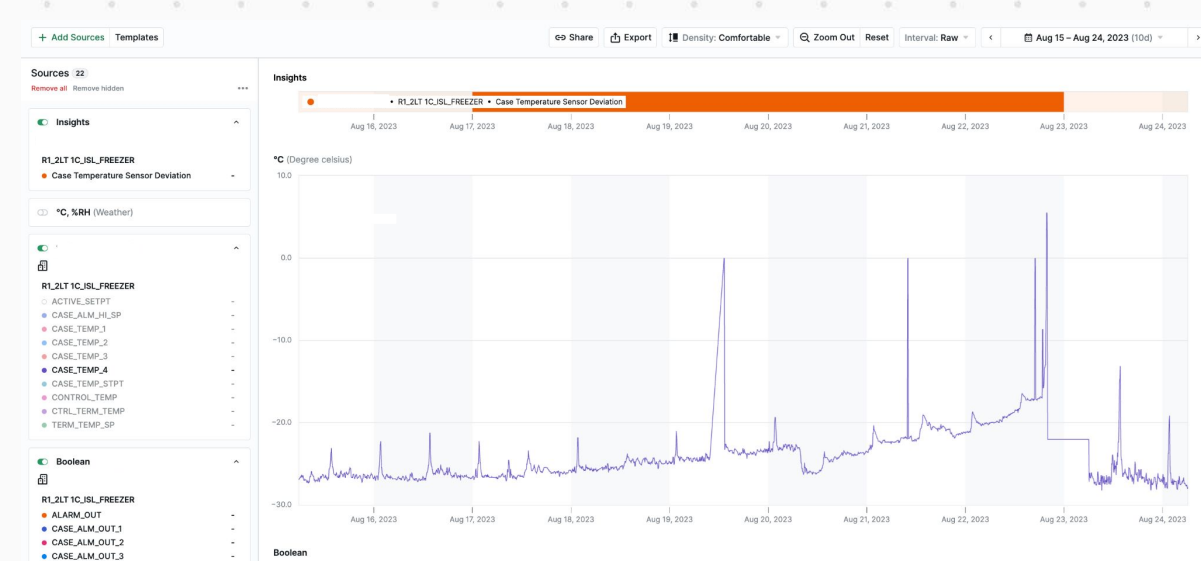


# Challenges: Prioritization of use cases - case icing prediction



## Prediction of case icing

- **Predictive.** Our “Case temperature sensor deviation” rule predicts case icing through ML analysis of case temp sensor behaviour by spotting specific changes in the behaviour of the liquid level switch.
- **Operational savings:**
  - Unplanned truck rolls are the highest opex for a refrigeration system
  - 40% of refrigeration callouts are for high temp alarms
  - 50% of these callouts happen after hours
  - Savings for addressing this use case across a grocery fleet are in the range of \$2-\$5M / year
- **Validated.** On average our rule predictively identifies this maintenance issue 5 days in advance.





**Thank You!**

**Questions?**



# 6. Smarter Homes & Buildings Podcast

Chris Larry (Exp US Services Inc.)



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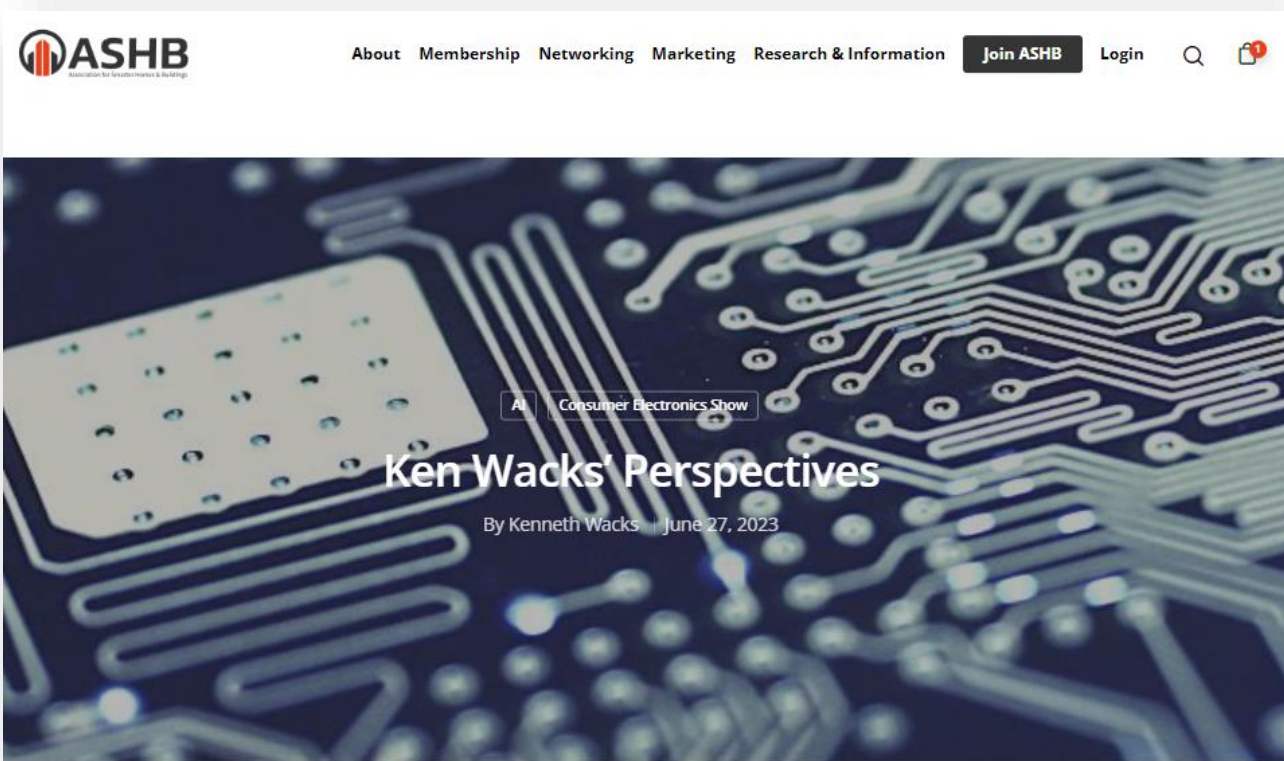
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- Business Drivers for Smart Buildings
- Smart Buildings: New Builds or Transformations Require Solid Footing
- Optimizing Your Environment: The Building Performance Blueprint



# 7. ASHB Journal

## Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks and Associated)



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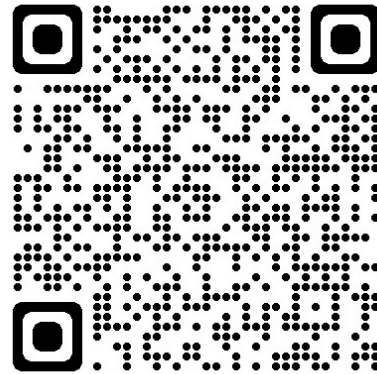


## 8. ASHB Whitepaper

Ken Wacks (Ken Wacks Associates)

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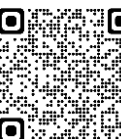
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### Recently Published

#### Fire Alarm Systems in Smart Buildings: Primer on Fire and Life Safety Systems

This groundbreaking primer sheds light on the origins, evolution, and potential of fire prevention and life safety systems in modern intelligent structures. The paper emphasizes the importance of integrating improved fire and life safety measures into existing buildings and new construction. Utilizing wired, wireless, cloud-based, and app-based systems, smart buildings leverage initiating devices like heat, smoke, and CO detectors to automatically trigger emergency responses, drastically improving fire and life safety outcomes. The paper offers invaluable insights. From the fascinating evolution of fire prevention and life safety systems to valuable lessons learned, readers gain a comprehensive understanding of cutting-edge technologies aimed to advance life safety outcomes in smart buildings.



## 9. New Business

Bob Allan (NAVCO, Inc.)

### New IBC Business?



# 10. Announcements

Robert Lane (Robert H. Lane & Associates Inc.)

## Upcoming Events

**The Buildings Show**  
**November 29-December 1 | Toronto, ON**

**AHR Expo**  
**January 22-24 | Chicago, IL**

**BICSI Winter Conference**  
**January 28-February 1 | Orlando, FL**

**Buildex Vancouver**  
**February 14-15 | Vancouver, BC**





# 11. Adjournment

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**Next IBC Meeting: February 2024**

**Association for Smarter Homes & Buildings (ASHB)**

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