

# Achieving Balance & Stability in Strategy Execution



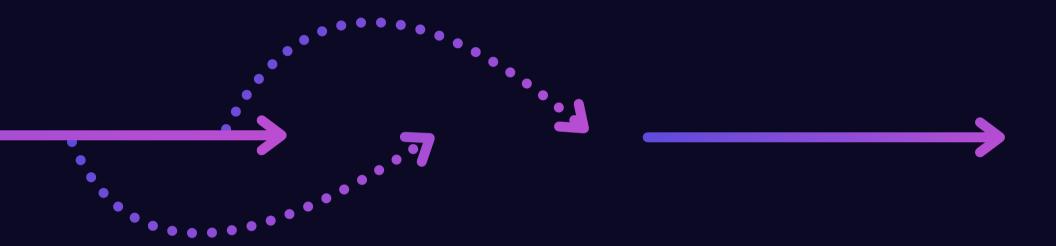


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### THE REAL CHALLENGE ISN'T CREATING THE STRATEGY



# IT'S KEEPING IT ALIVE, ADAPTABLE, AND MOVING FORWARD IN THE FACE OF UNCERTAINTY

#### What You Can Expect Today

De-Mystify Stability vs. Balance

Real World Case Study

Major Challenges

**Practical Tools** 

How Cascade Can Help

#### Balance vs Stability in Strategy Execution

Balance is about flexiblity and adaptability

Balance



Stability is about predictability and consistency

## LET'S GET INTO A CASE STUDY

#### NOKIA

### STRUGGLE TO BALANCE SHORT-TERM GAINS WITH LONG-TERM STRATEGY

2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008

In the mid-2000s, while Apple and Google launched touchscreen smartphones, Nokia focused on maintaining its success with feature phones and Symbian OS, prioritizing short-term market share over the emerging smartphone trend.



#### **Short Term Focus**

Nokia focused heavily on maintaining and maximizing its existing dominance in the feature phone market. The leadership continued to prioritize short-term profits by enhancing the Symbian OS and selling more feature phones, even as the market began to shift toward smartphones.

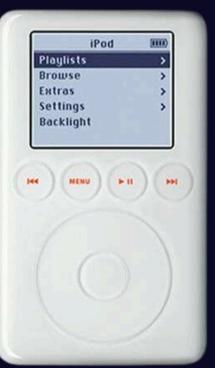


#### **Long Term Neglect**

The company recognized the potential of smartphones and even had the internal capability to innovate (it had early prototypes of smartphones with touchscreens), but leadership was unwilling to take the risk of disrupting its profitable feature phone business. This led to delays in developing a competitive smartphone offering.















# SO WHAT ARE THE KEY CHALLENGES IN THIS BALANCING ACT?



Constant Pressure for Immediate Results Resource Allocation Conflicts

Organizational Silos and Misalignment

Maintaining focus on Long-Term Vision

Cultural Resistance

Risk Management

# LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT SOME PRACTICAL TOOLS

TO HELP GET INTO
THE RIGHT
MINDSET FOR
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STABILITY



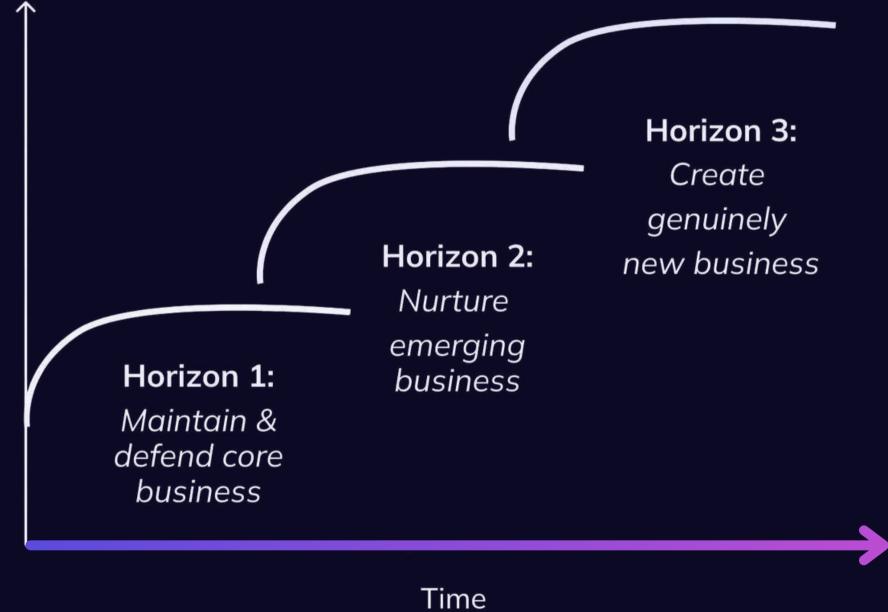
## Common tools and frameworks to navigate the balancing act

- Balanced Scorecard (BSC)
- Agile Project Management
- OKR's (Objective and Key Results)
- Scenario Planning
- Lean Management

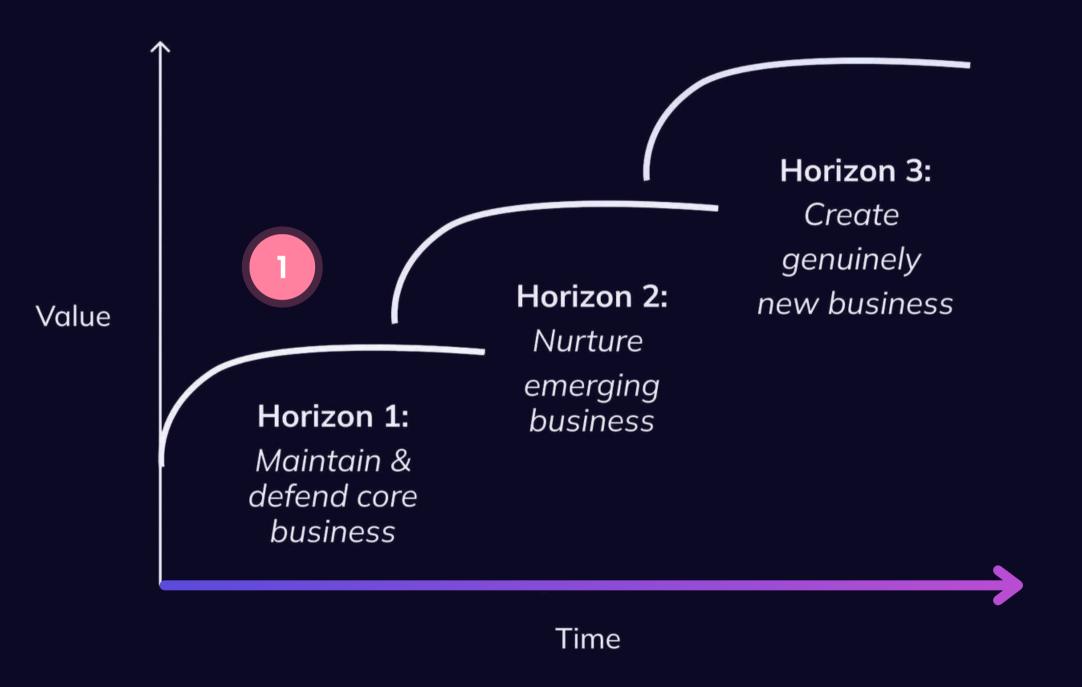
- SWOT Analysis
- Rolling Forecasts
- Kaizen (continuous improvement)
- KPI Dashboards
- Eisenhower Decision Matrix
- McKinsey 3 Horizons

#### Three Horizons Framework

Value



#### Horizon 1: Maintain & Defend Core Business

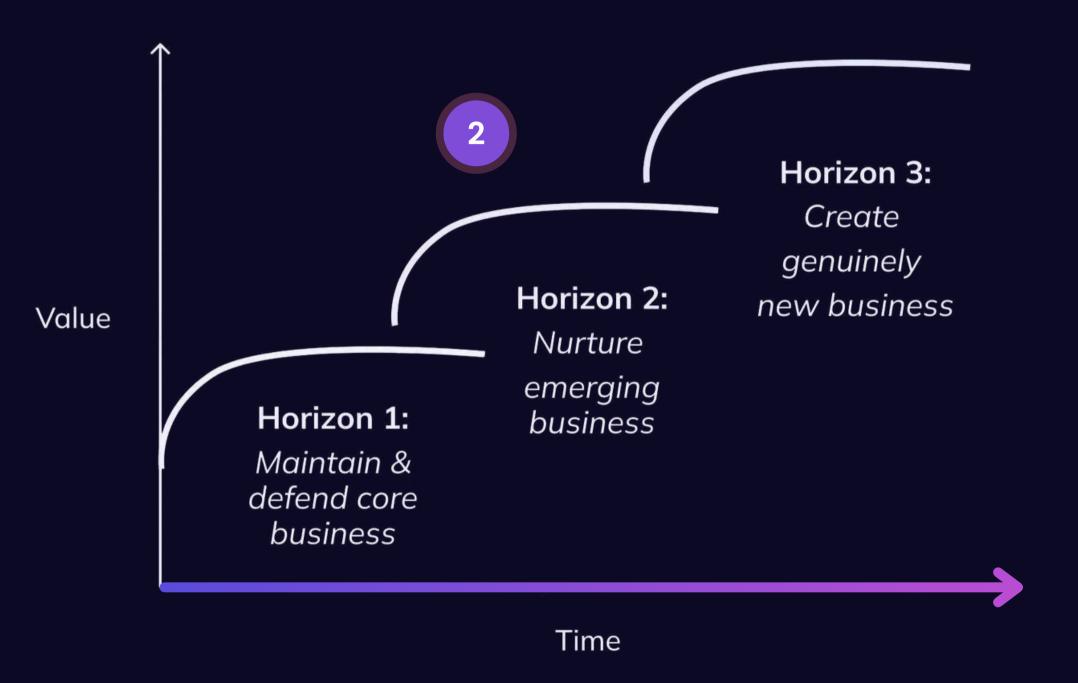


Your goals in Horizon 1 should be focused on improving margins, improving current business processes, and increasing short-term profits.

# XAMPLE

- Day-to-day goals associated with selling, marketing, and serving your offering and customers.
- Product upgrades, new features, or adding new services to existing products.
- Introducing a subscription model for existing products.
- Launching new services such as customer service, technical support, or digital marketing.

#### Horizon 2: Nurturing Emerging Business

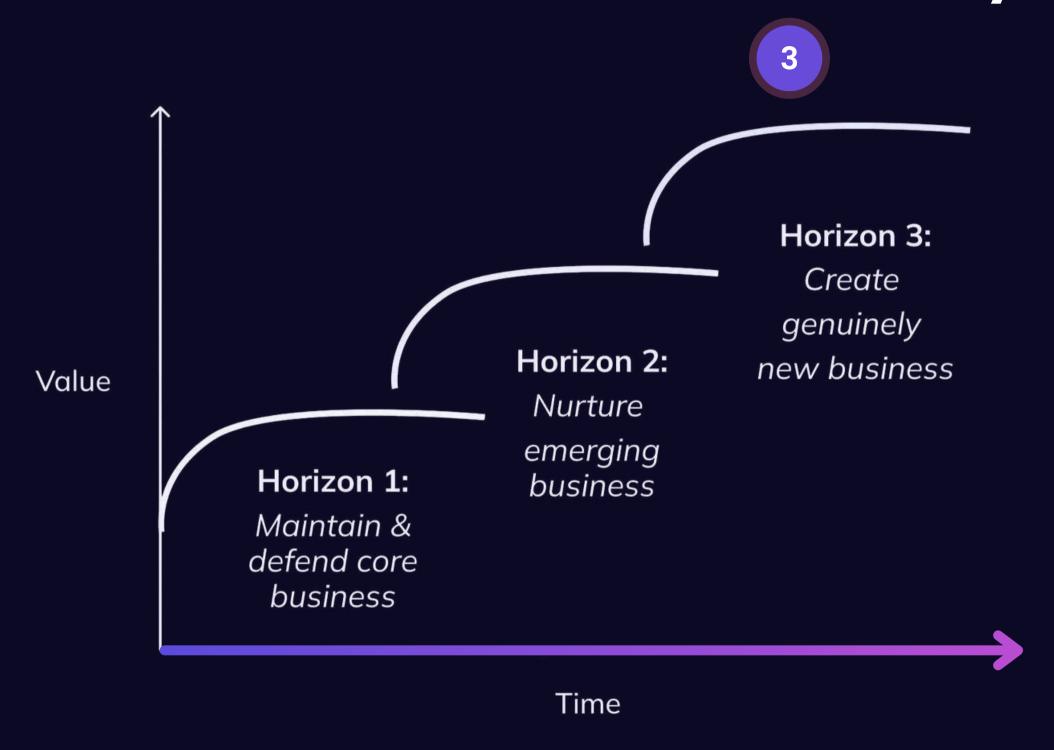


Some of these initiatives will be absorbed into your business as usual, others will pave the way for the emergence of radically different strategic initiatives under Horizon 3.

- Launching new product/service lines.
- Expanding your business geographically.

**EXAMPLE** 

#### Horizon 3: Create Genuinely New Business

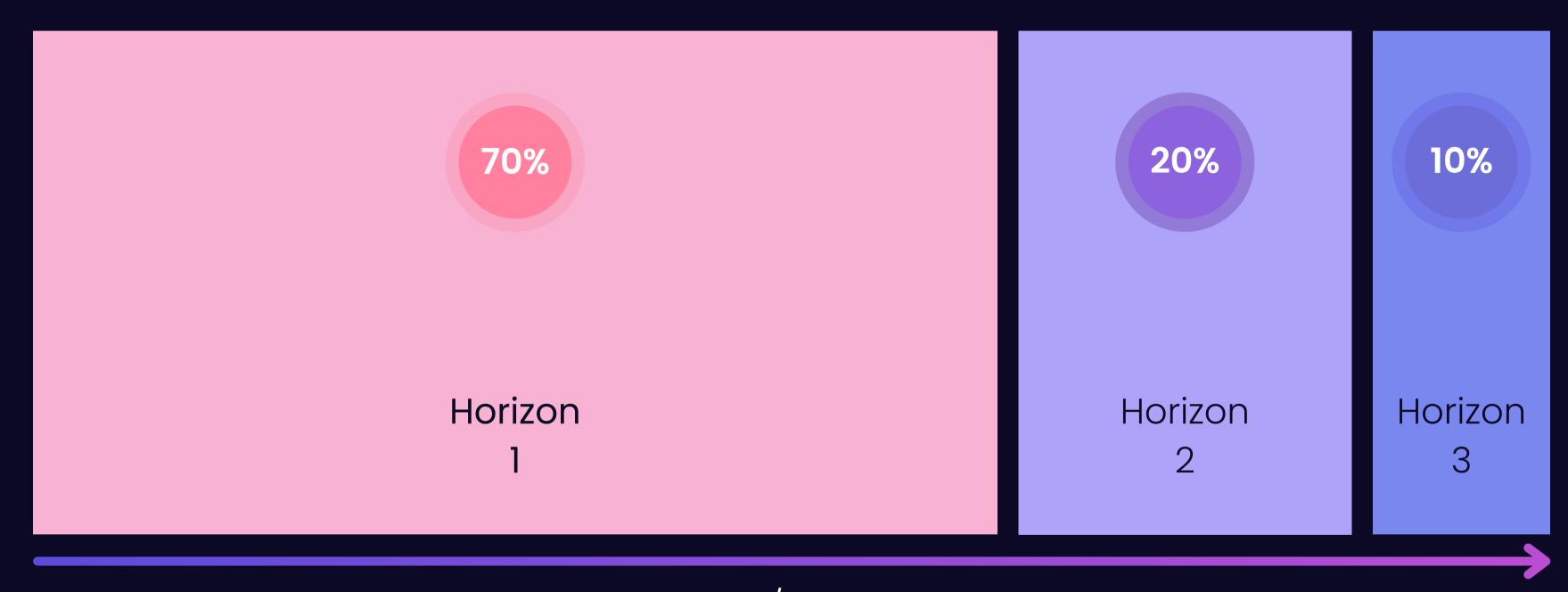


The third horizon can encompass up to ten years or more and focuses on creating growth opportunities, exploring new markets.

## KAMPLE

- Development of new products, the research and development of AI or automation.
- Development of completely new technologies or services.
- Research projects, pilot programs.
- Start up of completely new business units through mergers and acquisitions.

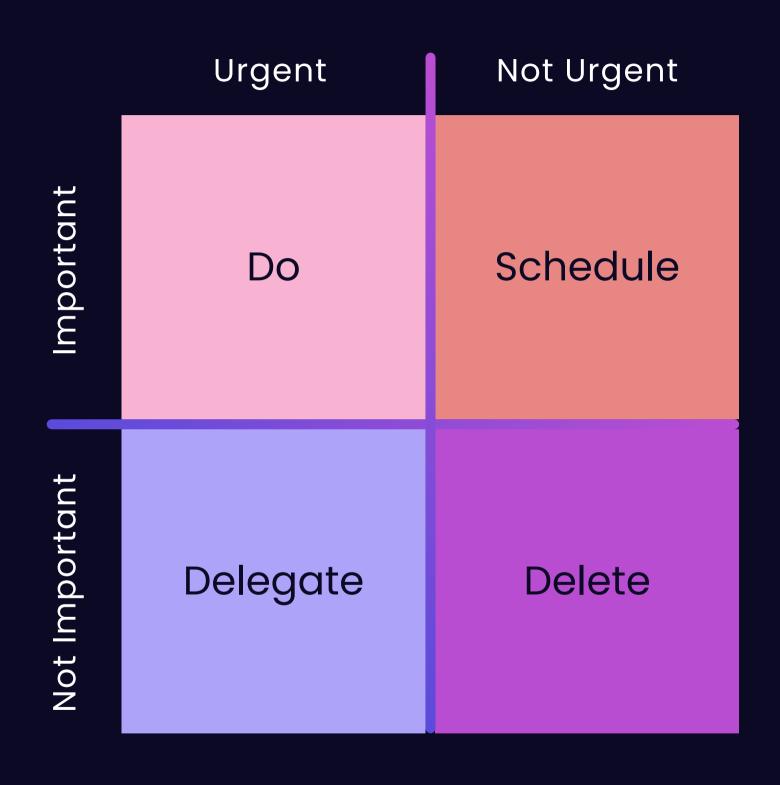
#### The 70 / 20 / 10 Rule



Effort/Activity

# NOW LET'S LOOK AT WHAT YOU CAN DO ON AN INDIVIDUAL LEVEL TO HELP WITH BALANCING YOUR ACTIONS...

# The Eisenhower Matrix



Do

Urgent and Important: These are tasks that require immediate attention and are crucial to your long-term goals. They demand your focus and should be dealt with promptly.

Schedule

Important but Not Urgent: These tasks contribute to your long-term objectives but don't require immediate action. They should be scheduled and given sufficient time for thorough completion to prevent them from becoming urgent later.

Delegate

**Urgent but Not Important:** These tasks may seem pressing but need to align with your long-term goals. **Delegating or minimising time spent on these tasks is advisable** to free up time for more crucial activities.

Delete

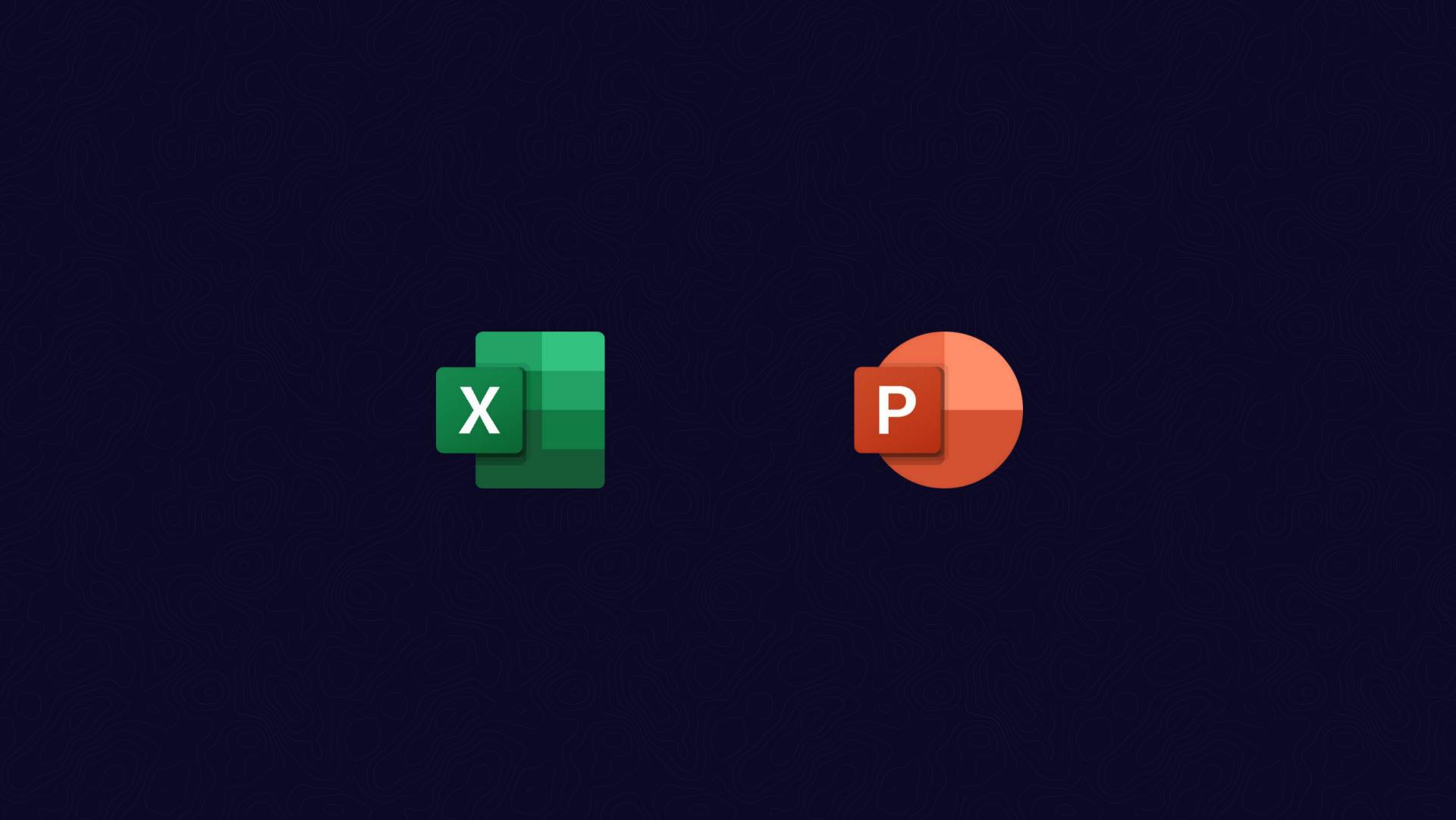
**Not Urgent and Not Important:** These tasks are neither urgent nor essential to your goals. They are often **distractions that should be minimised or eliminated** altogether to focus on more meaningful activities.

ASK YOURSELF DAILY
IF YOU ARE IN BALANCE
AND IF NOT, HOW CAN YOU GET
YOURSELF/YOUR TEAM TO ULTIMATELY
CONTRIBUTING TOWARDS YOUR
BUSINESS' BALANCE AND STABILITY?

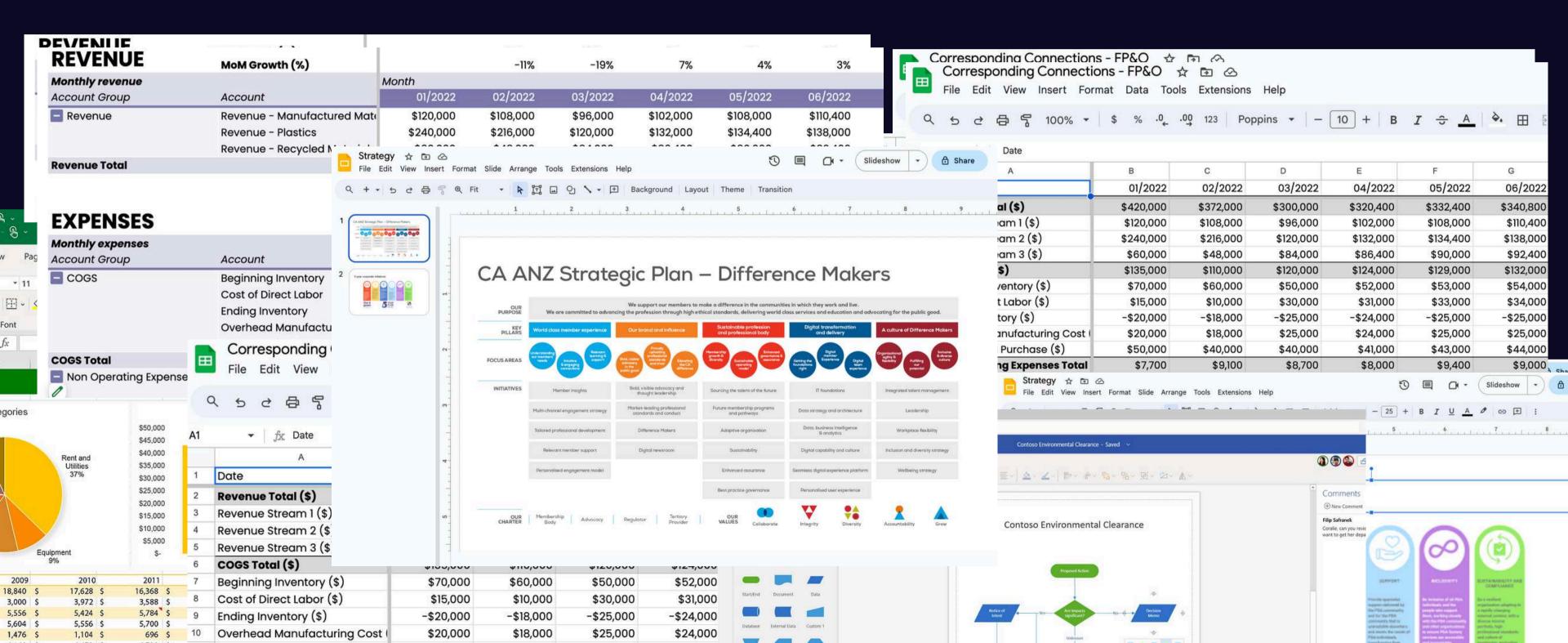


### TRANSFORM THE WAY YOU DO STRATEGY.

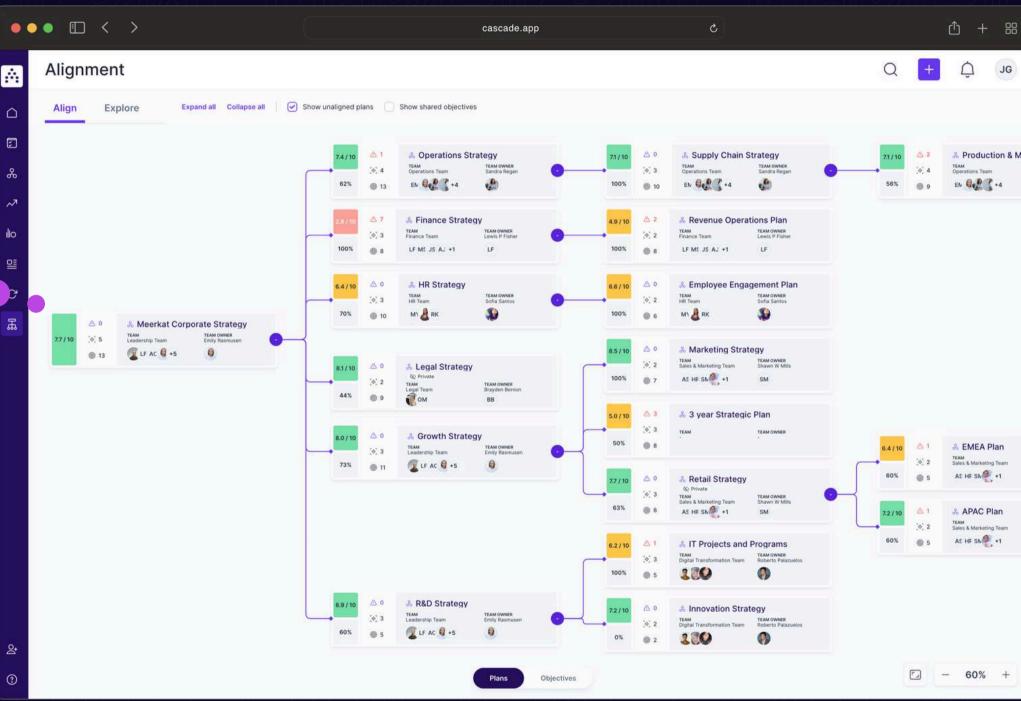




#### Is your strategy feeling all over the map?







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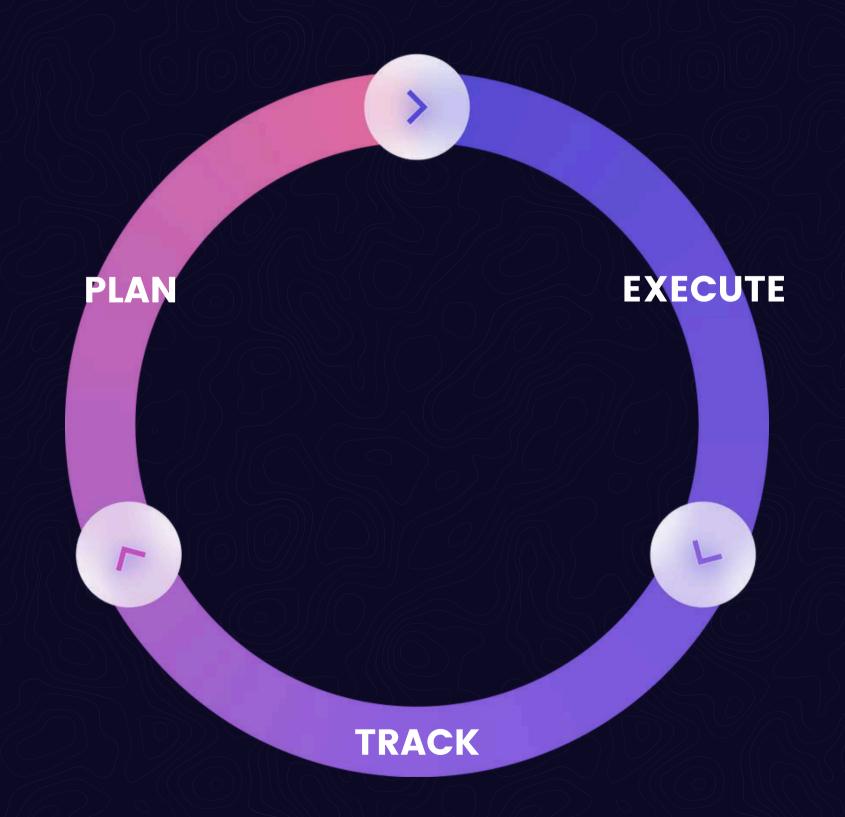
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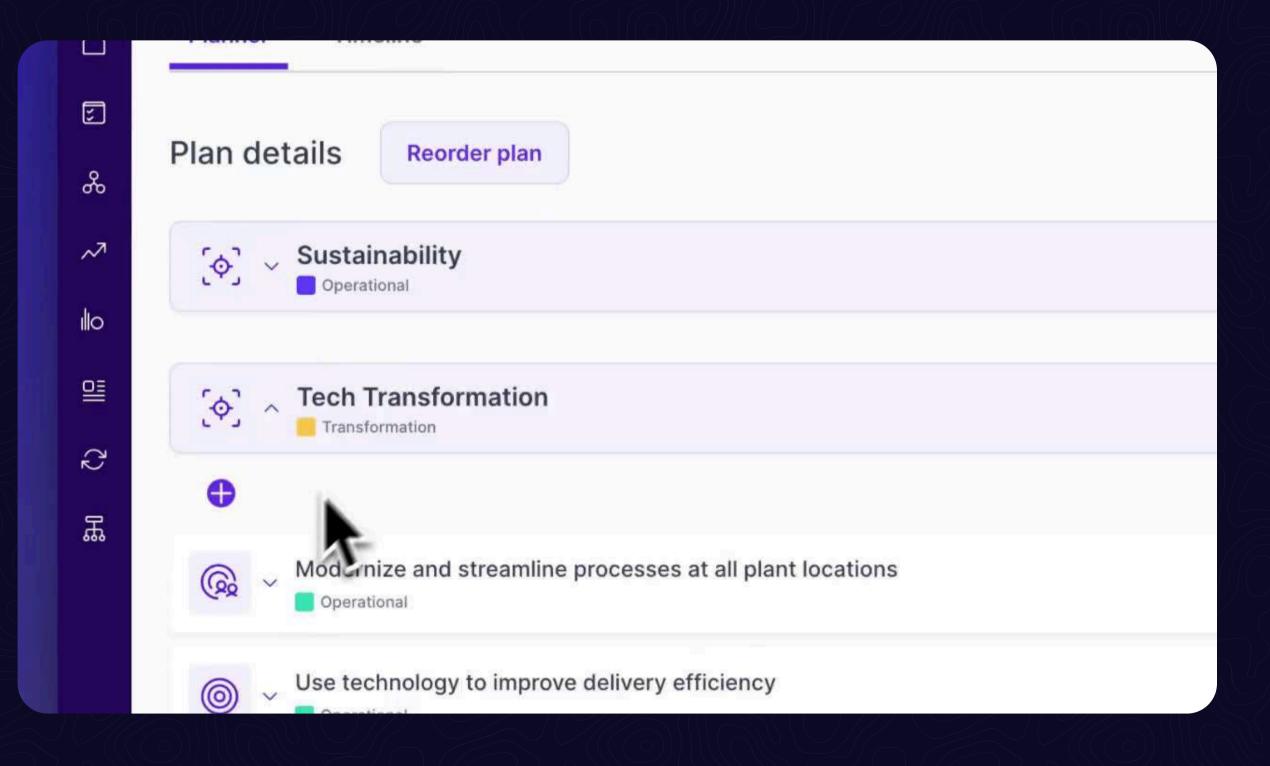
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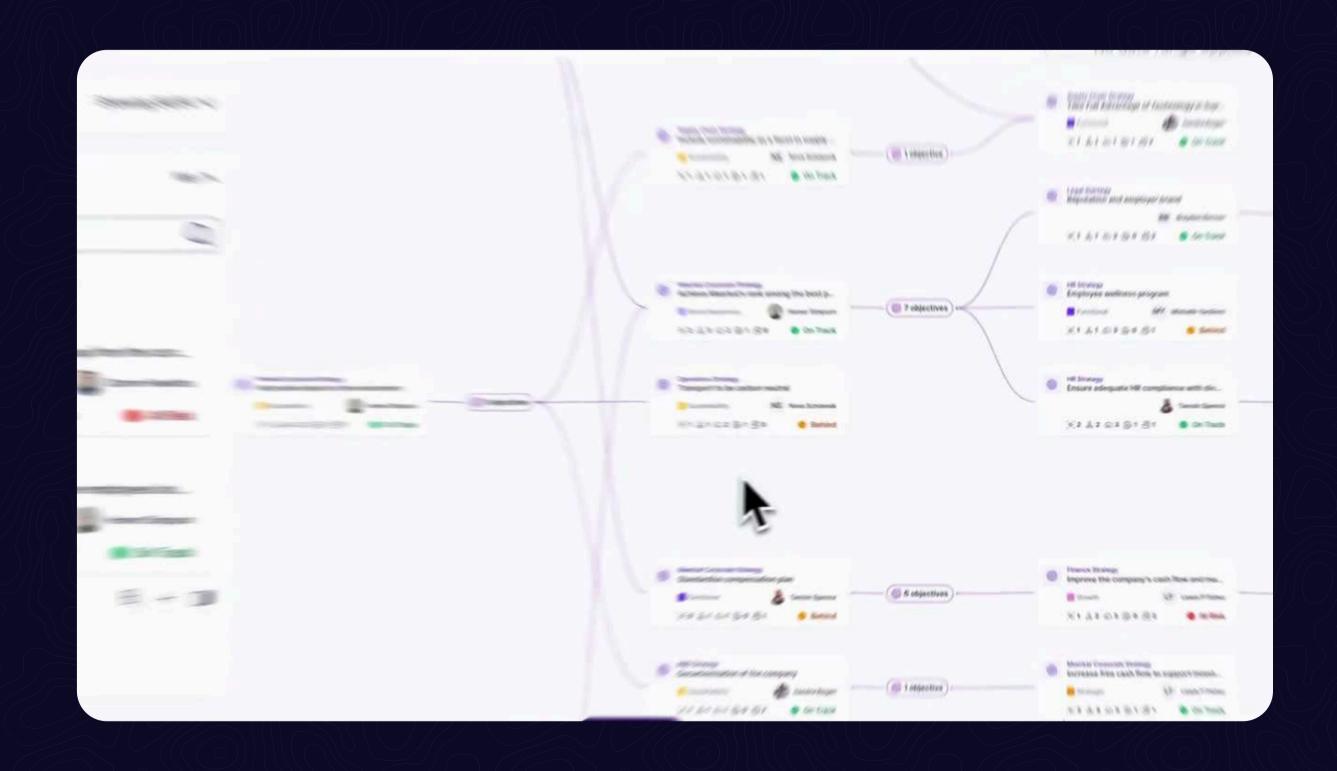
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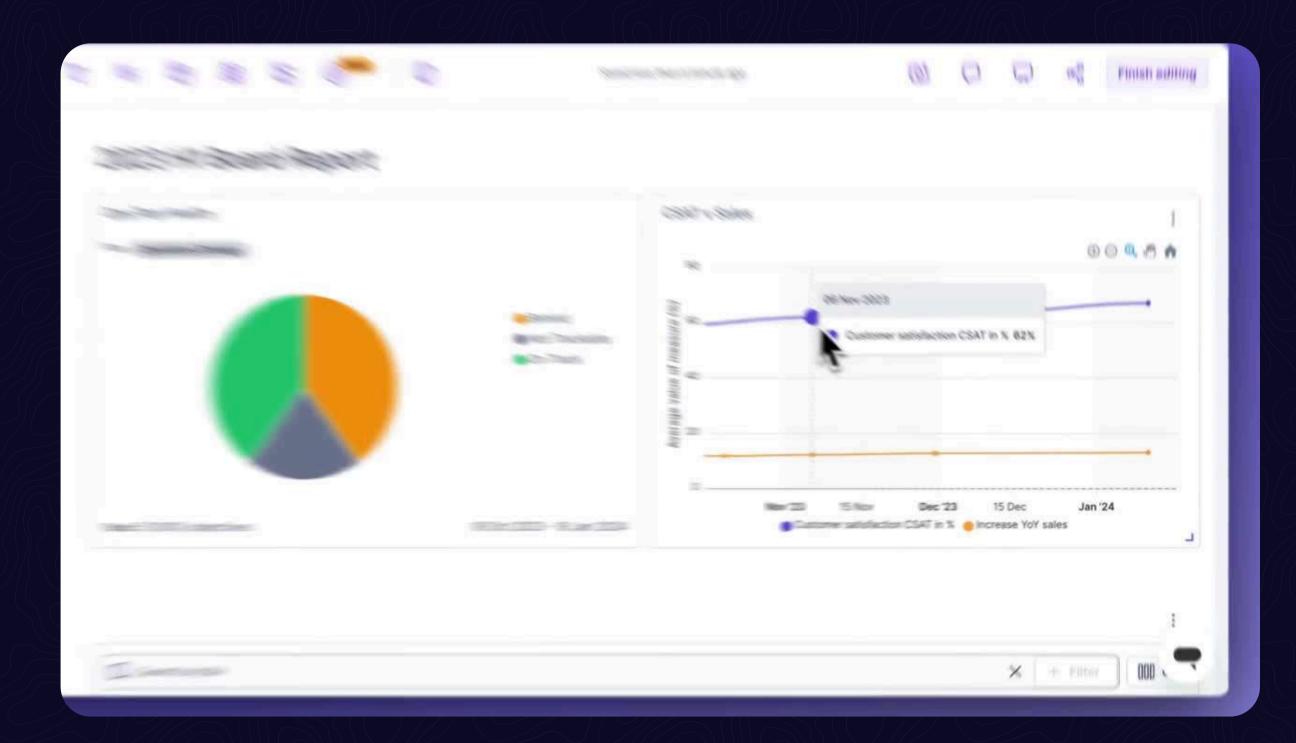
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#### EXECUTE



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#### Book a demo





### 90% OF STRATEGIES FAIL BE PART OF THE 10%





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### Q&A

# Let's do this!

Happy Cascading!



