




# Why do Technology Implementations Fail?

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CUSTOMER AND THEIR PROBLEMS FOR  
SUCCESSFUL SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION



Who am I?

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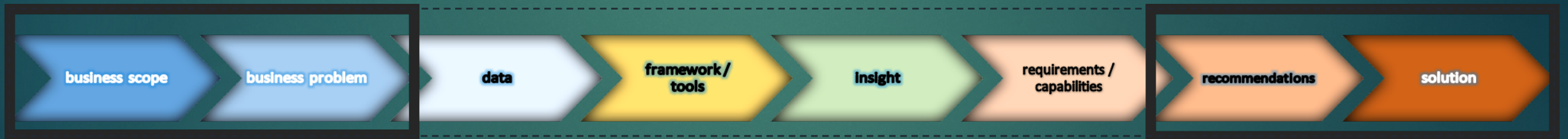
# Denver International Airport



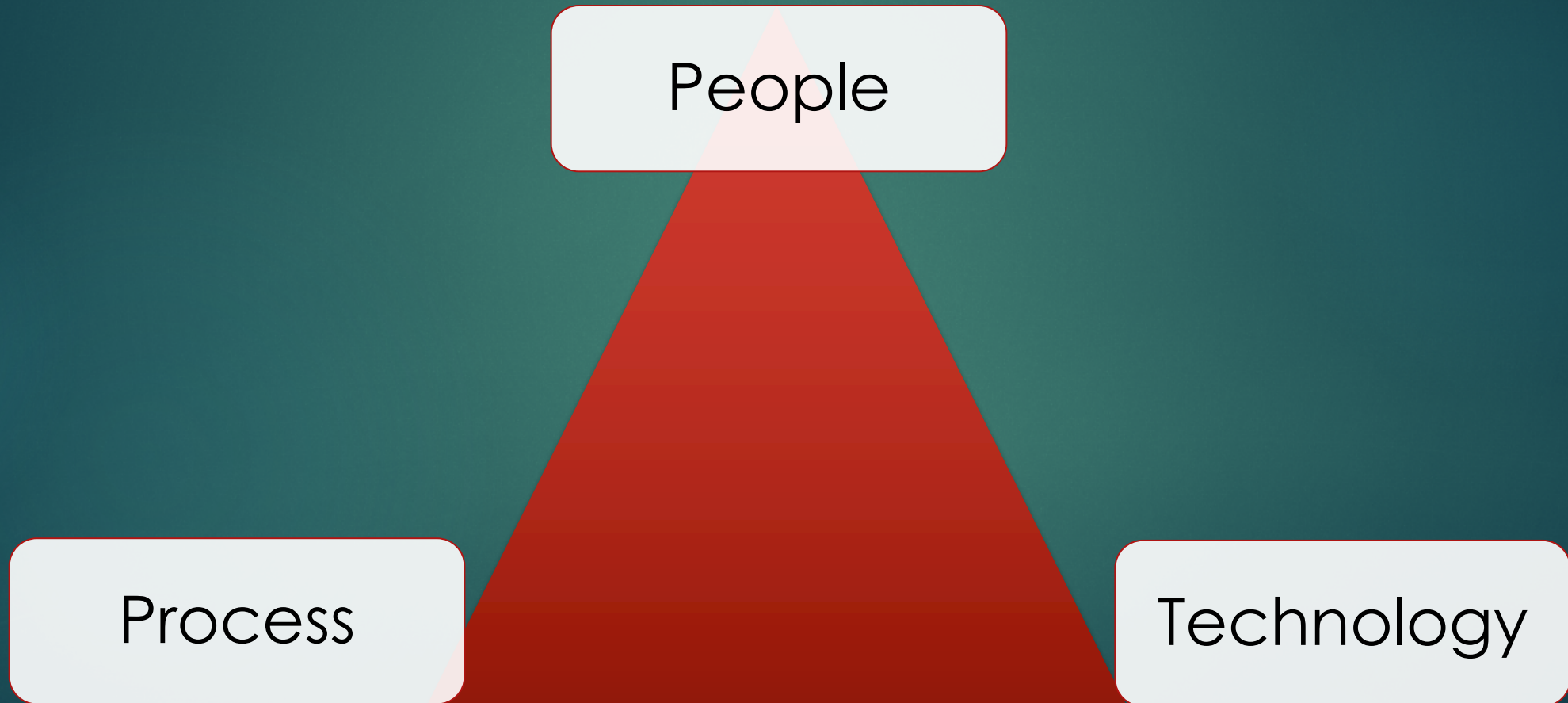
- ▶ \$560 million over budget
- ▶ 16 months late
- ▶ Only used in one concourse
- ▶ Only one airline for outbound flight
- ▶ Second, manual system built for all other baggage operations
- ▶ Shut down after 10 years of operation

# Lean Principles

## How to create business solutions



# People, Process, Technology



# Problem statement

- ▶ Short and concise (1-2 sentences)
- ▶ Include a baseline measure
- ▶ Descriptive
- ▶ Can be followed by a Goal Statement
  - ▶ Be careful not to inject solution bias

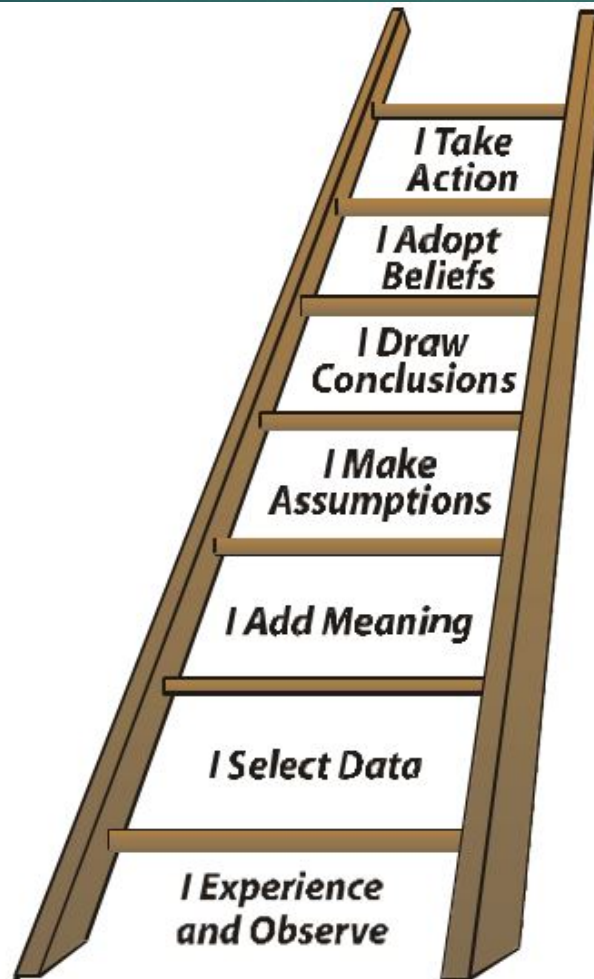
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- ▶ The business unit has seen reimbursement requests double between 2015 and 2016 with average processing time growing from 24 hours to 2 days.
- ▶ Passenger traffic through Keflavík International Airport rose from 1.83 million in 2009 to 8.76 million in 2017 causing baggage check-in time to increase 50%.
  - ▶ Goal: Reduce the average baggage check-in time from 45 minutes to 20 minutes.

# Three Critical Questions

- ▶ What are we trying to accomplish?
- ▶ How will we know when a change is an improvement?
- ▶ What changes can we make that will result in an improvement?

# Ladder of Inference



**I act** based on my beliefs as if they were proven facts. And I adjust new data to fit my beliefs

**I adopt** beliefs, based on my conclusions, as if everyone has the same conclusions and beliefs.

**I draw conclusions**, based on my assumptions, and based on what is best for me, and those I care for.

**I make assumptions** that my data and meaning are accurate, and represent reality.

**I add meaning**, based on what I feel is reasonable, according to the data I selected.

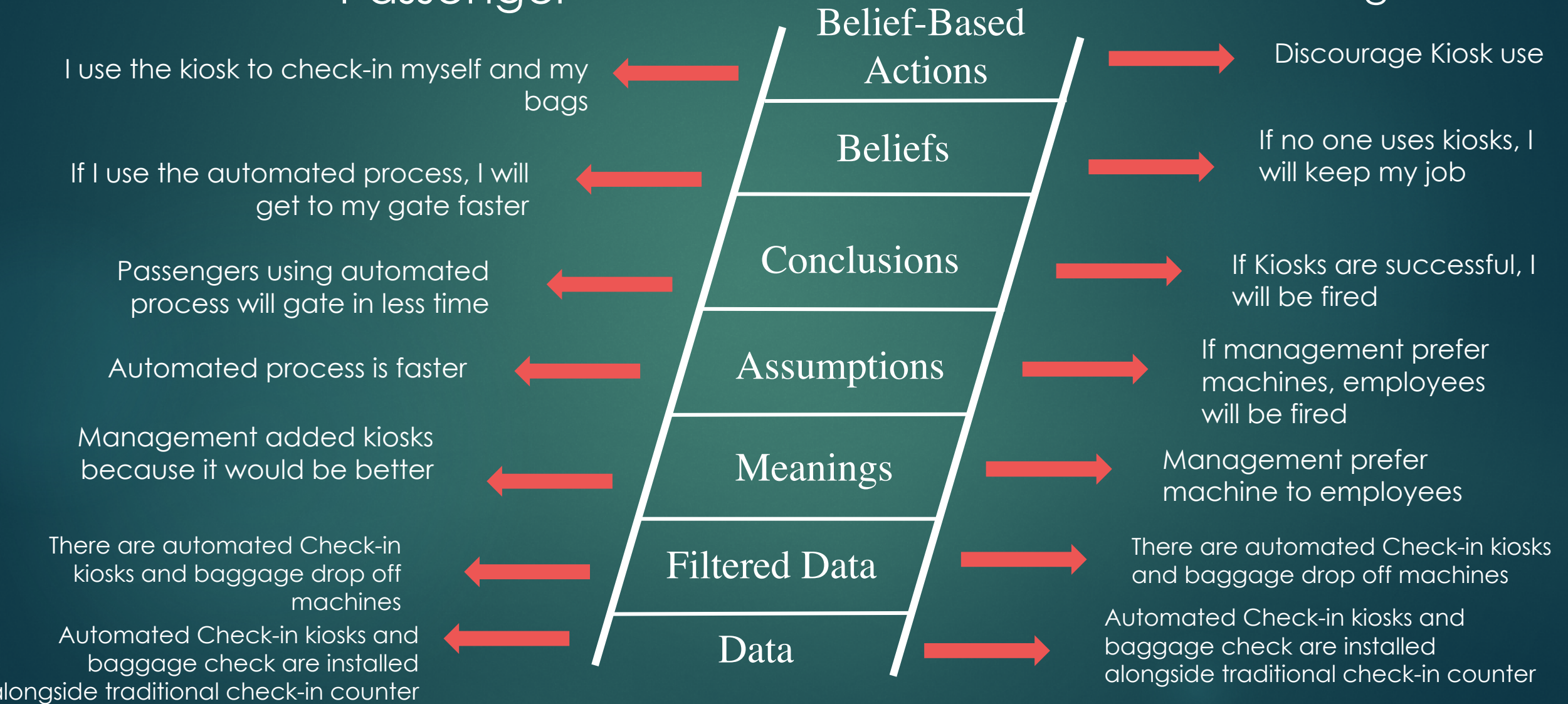
**I select data** that I feel is relevant, and discard data that seems irrelevant.

**I experience and observe** data as a video camera captures data. I hear words, observe body language collect information.

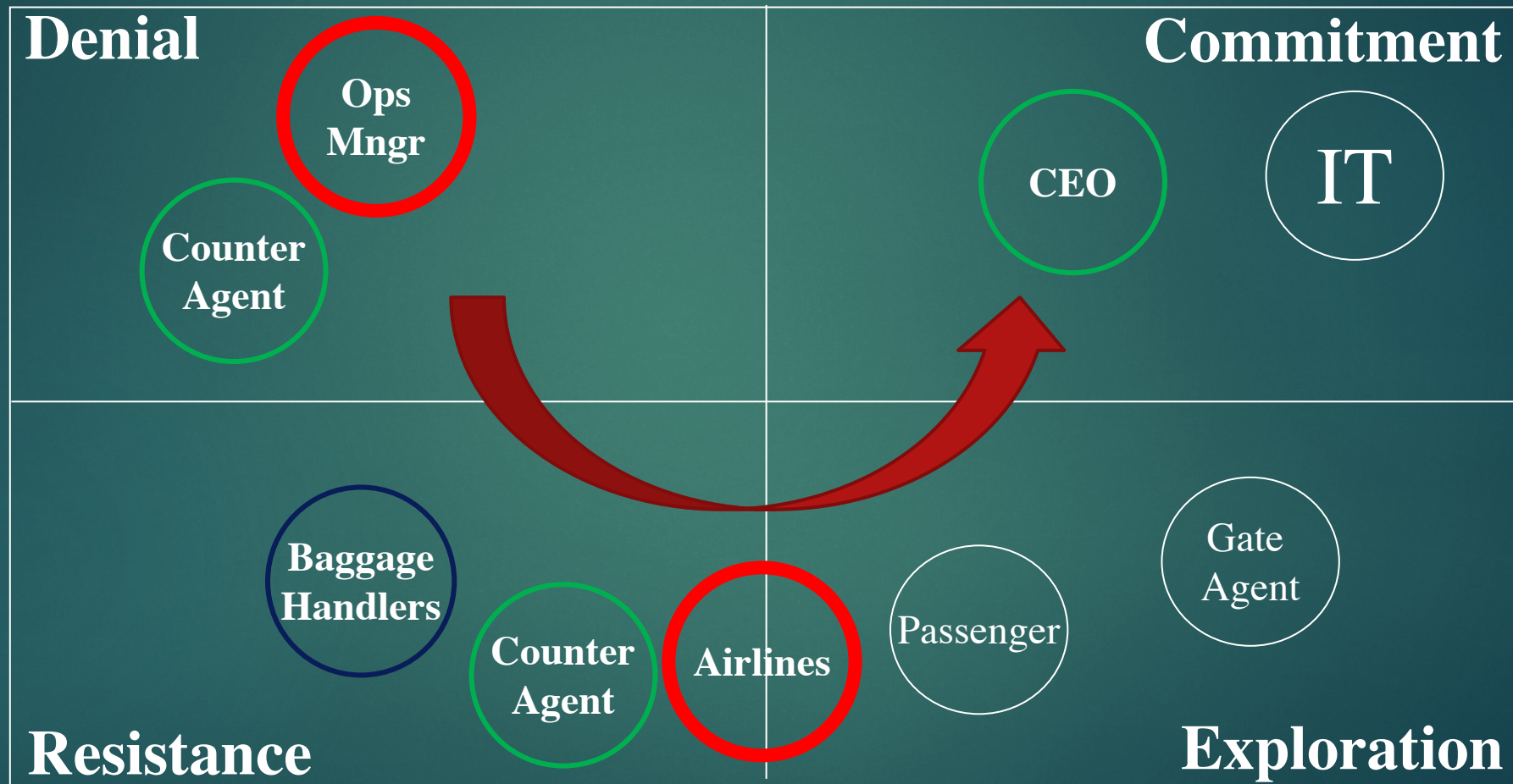
# Ladder of Inference

Passenger

Counter Agent



# Change Curve



# Breakout Session: 15 minutes

- ▶ Problem Statement
- ▶ People, Process, Technology
- ▶ Ladder of Inference
- ▶ Change Curve



# Thank you!

# Questions?

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