

# Retail Execution Data Hub on Azure



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# About Sigmoid

## Sigmoid is an emerging leader in data engineering and AI solutions.



750+ Employees



200+ ML models operationalized



Work with **30+** Fortune 500 firms



5000+ Data pipelines built



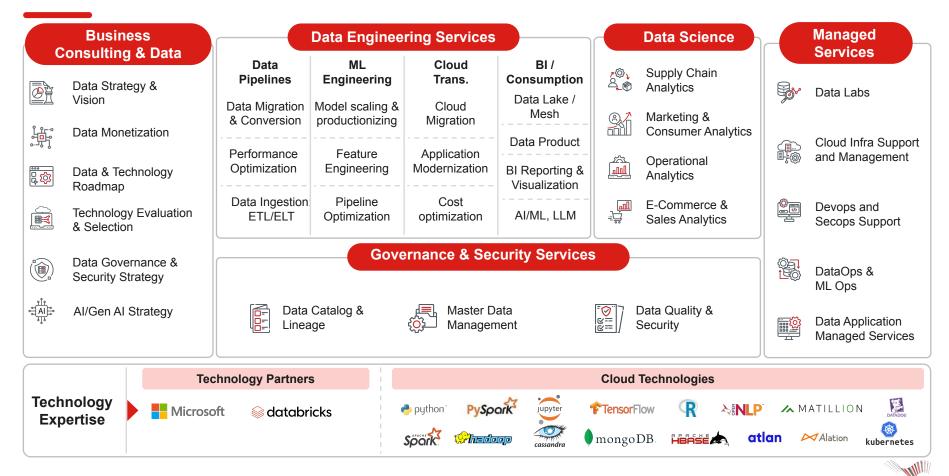
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## **Enabling Business Transformation with Full-Service Capability Suite**



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## Sigmoid Capabilities - Experience in implementing data solutions in Azure

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Sigmoid has worked with more than Five large customers to design, build and deploy solutions in Azure

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## **Data Processing & Transformation:**

- Azure Databricks: Collaborative Apache Spark-based analytics platform to be used for big data processing and machine learning.
- Azure HDInsight: Managed cloud service for processing big data using popular open-source frameworks like Hadoop and Spark.

## Data Storage & Management:

- Azure Data Lake Storage: Scalable and secure data lake for storing large amounts of structured and unstructured data would be considered.
- Azure SQL Database: Managed relational database service for structured data storage.

## Data Ingestion & Integration:

- Azure Data Factory: Creating data pipelines to move and transform data from various sources.
- Azure Event Hubs: Real-time data ingestion from applications, devices, or any data streams would be done.

#### **Data Analytics & Visualization:**

- Azure Synapse Analytics: Analytics service which will be used for analyzing large amounts of data using either serverless or provisioned resources.
- **Power BI:** Business intelligence tool to be used for creating interactive visualizations and reports.

#### Machine Learning & AI:

- Azure Machine Learning: End-to-end platform for building, training, and deploying machine learning models.
- Cognitive Services: Pre-built AI services for vision, speech, language, and decision-making.

#### Security & Compliance:

- Azure Active Directory: Identity and access management service.
- Azure Policy & Blueprints: Tools for implementing governance and compliance across Azure resources.

Sigmoid's implementation of solutions in Azure involves leveraging a combination of services and tools tailored to specific business needs. Sigmoid would collaborate between data engineers, data scientists, business analysts, and other stakeholders as it is essential to align the implementation with business goals and ensure success.

**Data Products** 



## **Retail Execution Data Hub**

# Sigmoid's Retail Execution Data Hub solving data challenges and giving visibility to retail sales teams



Headwinds in Retail Execution

## Complexities in the retail environment

Complex retail landscape with modern trade being an important channel. Also lack of visibility on in-store retail execution

Intense competition for visibility and difficulty in comparing performance of granular media strategies

Inability to measure retail execution in a timely manner and take immediate actions

#### Challenges due to disparate data

Variations in data formats and structures due to data coming in from third party sources, partners or public APIs

Legacy Systems lacking modern integration capabilities



Solved by our Data Hub with Curated Views

# Solving challenges around fragmented retail data, lack of data quality & lack of timely execution

A single source of truth to track performance of key metrics and measure success of retail execution strategies at granular level

Provides **out of the box dashboards for different Personas** like Executives, Category/Brand Managers Retail Managers, etc.

Address multiple areas of retail execution including metrics like, **Sales, Day 1 readiness, On Shelf Availability,** etc.

## Solving for key data management challenges

Aggregates, consolidates and harmonizes the data across varied sources, performing data quality checks, ensuring data consistency



Driving Benefits for CPGs in a short span

## Automated dashboards with quick loading - reduction of loading time by 90%

Generation 50% of cost savings opportunities due to curated views such as inventory visibility, On-Shelf Availability tracking, etc

**High granularity** of our solution showed the impact of retail policies at an individual store level, enabling the tracking of store level metrics



## **Success Story - Improvement in Retail Store Execution**

## **Case Background**

- The client is a **leading company in global snacking**, international cereals and noodles, with iconic world-class brands
- The retail sales team needed to keep a track of sales, inventory, product placement across different stores, territory and area
- They relied on legacy data warehouse and un intuitive dashboards, lead to time-consuming processes, errors
- They wanted an automated solution with enhanced user friendly dashboards for relevant KPIs

## Sigmoid Solution

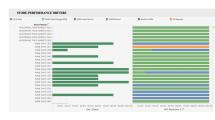
Created a cloud data store by unifying multiple data sources to furnish data at most granular level (store, product and week)

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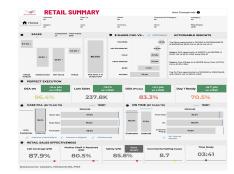
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Fast loading dashboards with data privacy protocols enabling analysis till store level. Also streamlined data refreshes and validation mechanism ensures data continuity and consistency



Unified hub meeting the needs of different personas – summary views for leadership and detailed analysis for retail sales team



## **Business Impact**

**90%** improvement in query performance

# **80%** coverage of retailers in the USA

**5x** Cost reduction from decommissioning on-prem data centres



# Engagement Models

## **Sigmoid's Engagement Models**

#### Project Based

Staff Augmentation



- Starts with consulting/scoping (2-3 weeks)
- Delivery Program Management
- Interim review
- Success criteria met and IP handover
- Option to continue with product support
- · Fixed bid contract
- 3-5 months duration given complexity of problem



- Understanding of skill requirements
- · Profile match and rate card
- Onboarding and monthly billing
- Focused training based on client tech stack
- Project Management support
- 10% backup resources unbilled and trained

Hybrid-Flexi Model/Data Labs/CoE



- Mix of project and staff augmentation engagements
- Requirement gathering
- Requirement classification as project or staff augmentation
- Joint delivery plan
- Secure resources internally from Sigmoid and bill monthly
- Dedicated PM, Engineering Managers
- Dedicated Management Consultant(s)
- Dedicated Team Leads and Product
  Owners

#### Benefits

- · Cost effectiveness by focus on output
- Ability to change/redefine scope/Change requests
- · Risk/Reward linked to KPI/SLA



Benefits

- Cost effective
- KPI/SLA/Outcome driven
- Suitable for Fixed scope of work
- · Less overheads

Benefits

- Scalability
- Flexibility in resourcing
- Ability to change/redefine scope

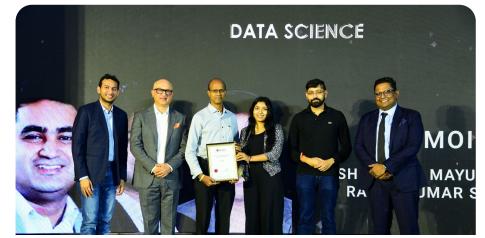
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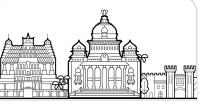
## **Global presence:**



USA (NY, SF, Dallas, Chicago)



EU (Amsterdam, London)





**India** (Bengaluru)

LATAM (Lima)