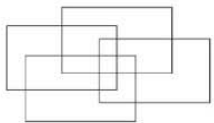


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- **Positioning the correct applications & strategy given:**
 - **The client**
 - **Their goals**
 - **Their capabilities**
 - **Create a long-term strategy**
 - **Multi-phased deployments**
 - **Digestible chunks of functionality**

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CF-EP Data Movement

- Data Movement between CF and EP
 - **Actuals from GL:**
 - **Three Options:**
 - Links
 - Extracts and Text Files
 - Publish & Import through ODBC

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CF-EP Data Movement

- **Links**

- **Advantages**

- **Intrinsic part of Cognos Software**
 - **Easy to Set up**

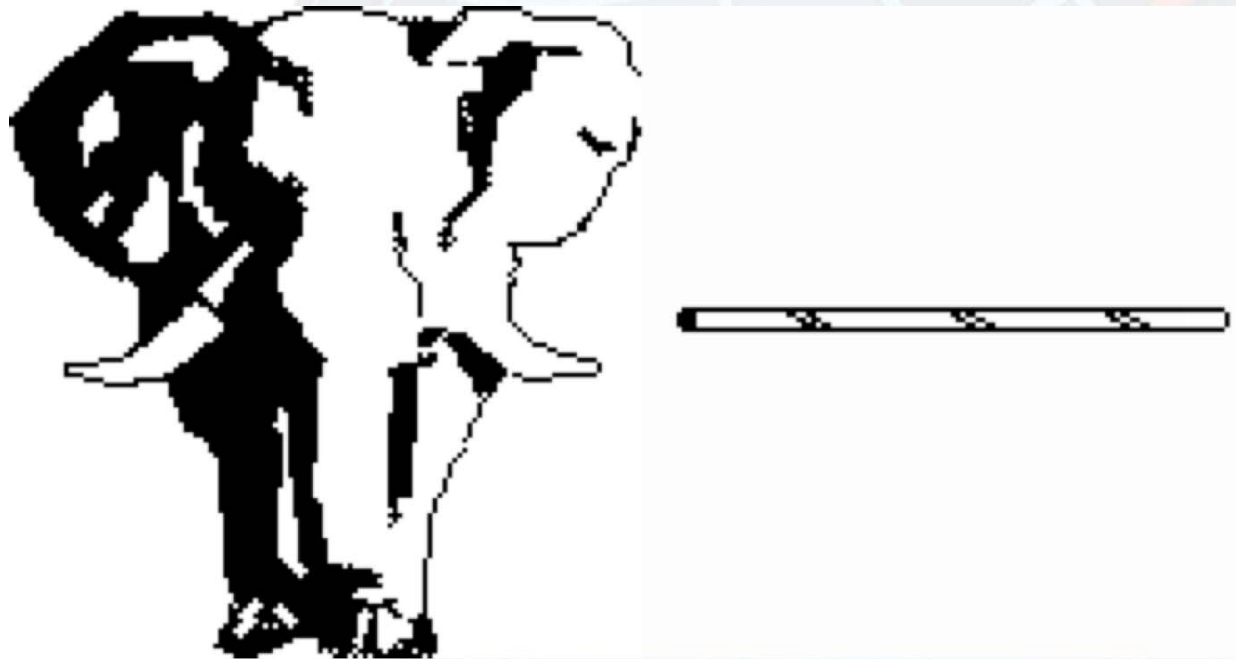
- **Disadvantages**

- **Data volumes determine success**
 - **Version compatability**

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- Large data volumes in Links are like...



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CF-EP Data Movement

- **Links**
 - **Use multiple links to break down data into digestible chunks**
 - **Can take forever when links are run sequentially**

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- **Extract & Import of Text Files**
 - Works well if files are of reasonable size
 - IT people sometimes are wary of text files
 - Strategy for naming files and directories

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- **Publish and ODBC Links**

- **Advantages:**

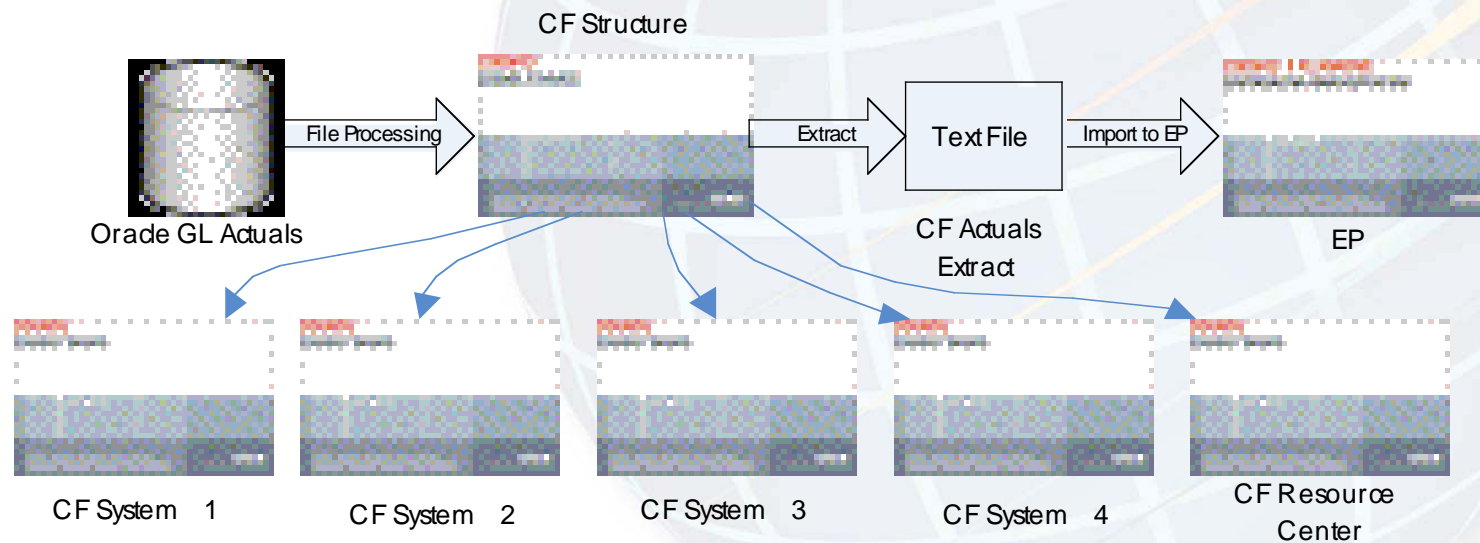
- **Usually Works the fastest**
 - **Large data volumes efficiently handled**

- **Disadvantages:**

- **Usually requires IT support**
 - **Challenges with managing databases**

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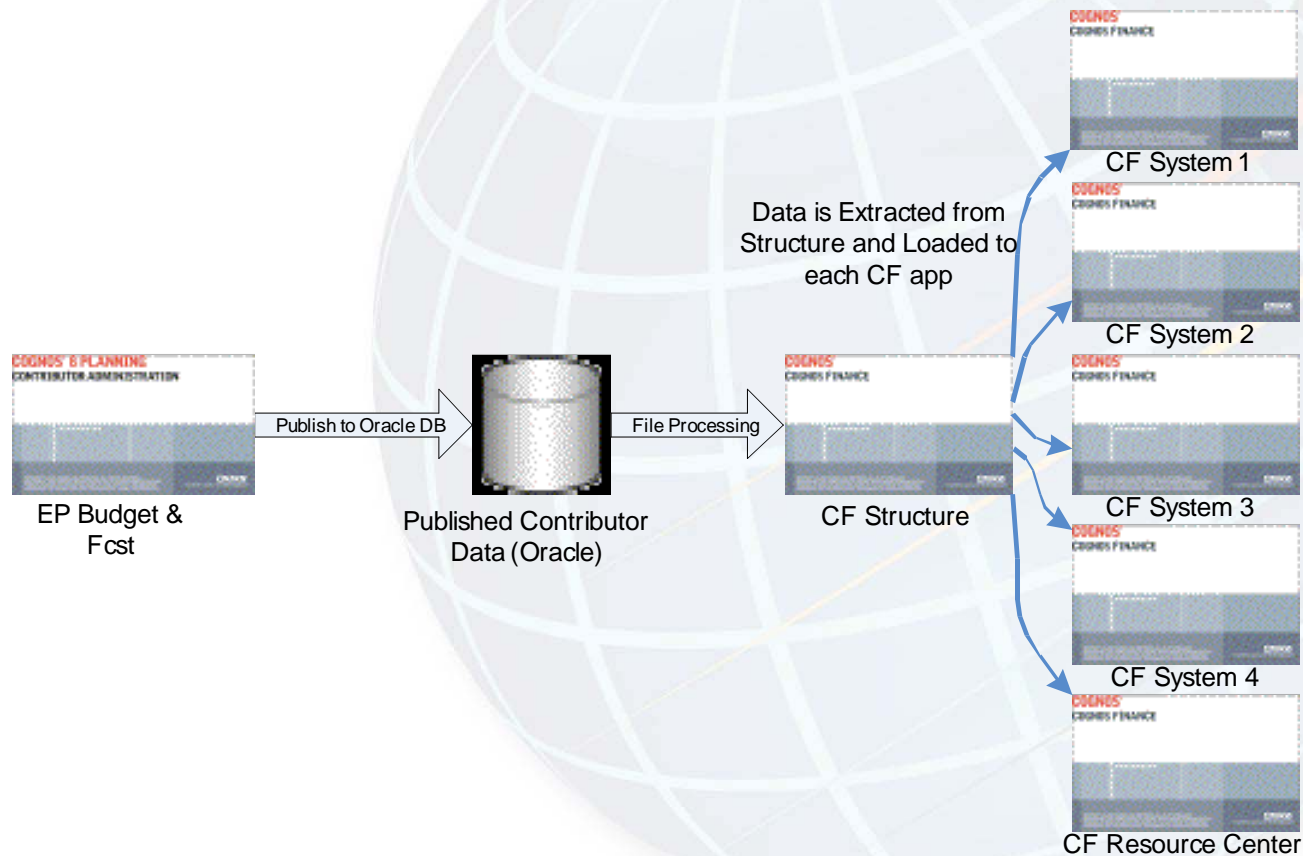
- **Example-CF to EP:**



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- **Example-EP to CF**



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Final Thoughts

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Keep It Simple, Make It Functional

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Final Thoughts

- Data Strategy that is:
 - Simple as Possible
 - Efficient
 - Easily Maintainable
 - Considers skills & resources available in client

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Thank you.
Any questions?



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