

# Rationalize your Documents the Right Way

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# **4-Layer Model**



if \_\_\_ then **Assembly Rules** 4 **Business Logic** Layout/Style Sheets **Presentation Shared Content** Content Template Data Model **Data** 

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#### Rationalize?



- Efficient
- Creation of documents efficient
- Leverage Smart Communications
- Observations and findings

# Rationalize vs Redesign



#### Rationalize

- Optimize
- Use Shared Content
- Efficiency
- Maintenance

# Redesign

- Meet Corporate Standards
- Consistency

### **Pain Points**



# **Share any personal experience**

### Rationalization



#### **Legacy Documents**

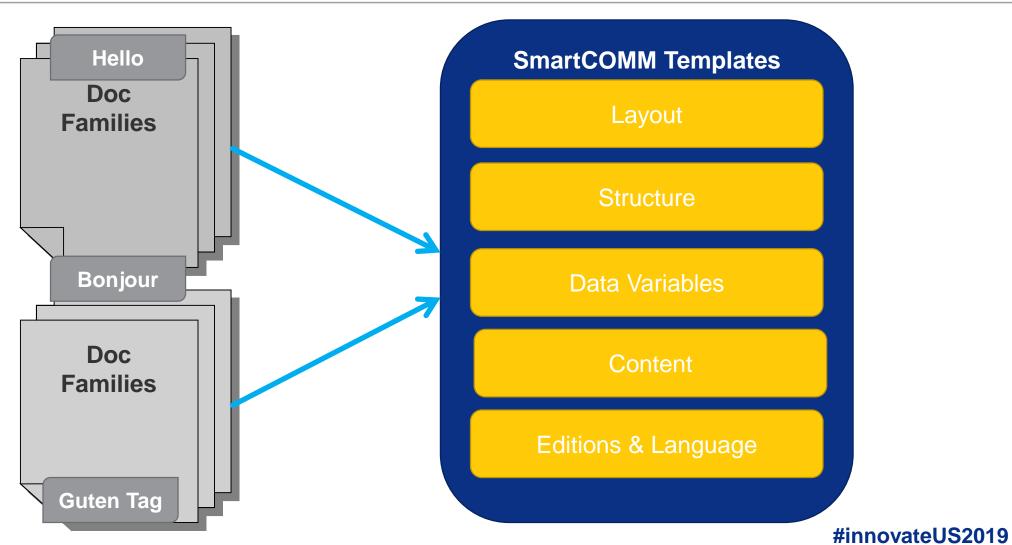
**SmartCOMM Templates** 

Step 1 – Confirm inventory

Step 2 – Acquire template samples

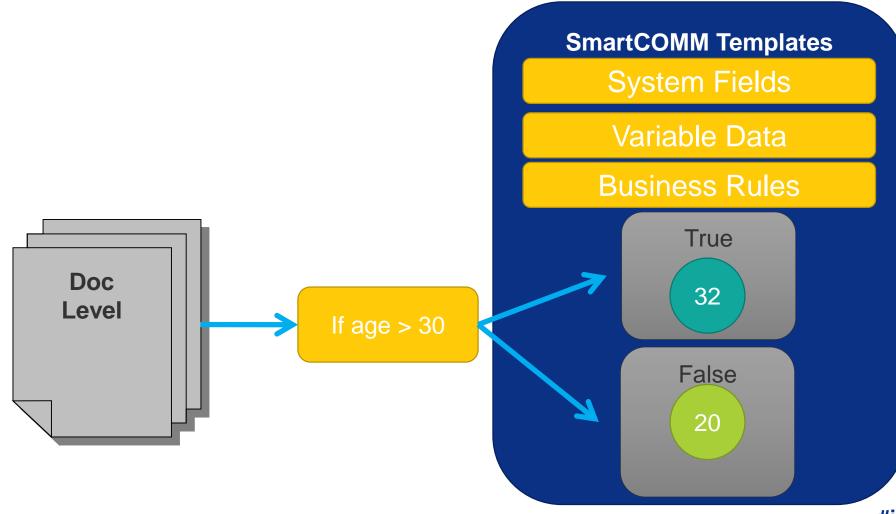
#### **Document Families**





#### **Document Level Rationalization**





# **Specification example**



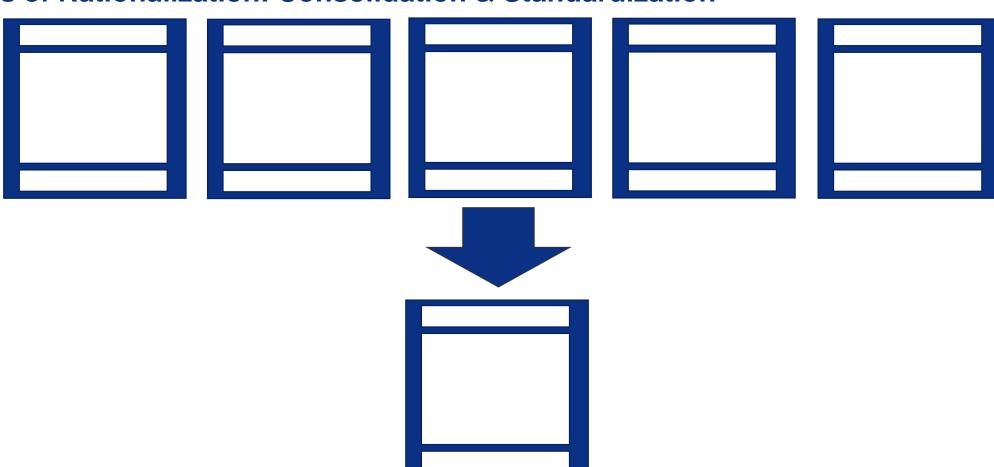


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# **Merge Communications Together**



#### Focus of Rationalization: Consolidation & Standardization



# **Tips**



#### **Shared Content**

What is a good number?

Do not add because content is replicated in another template

Can be images, tables, sections

Variable data

Pass only required fields

Shared content inside shared content

# **Tips**



Structure the CMS using a tiered approach

#### Establish standards

- Use date fields when available
- Keep layouts simple
- Utilize base templates

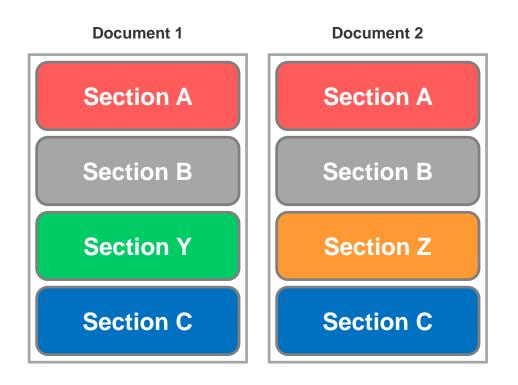
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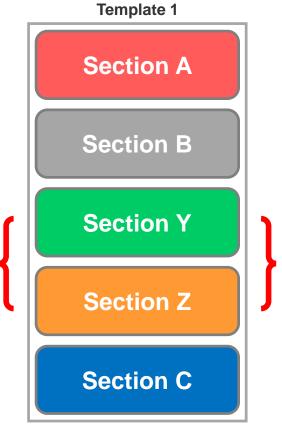
# **Rationalization: Example 1**



In this example, both documents contain common content and some differing content.

How would you rationalize?





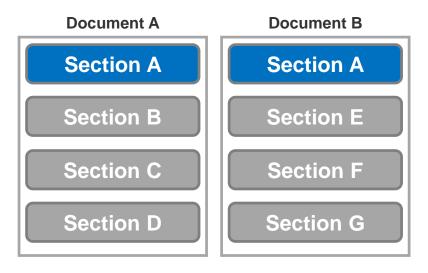
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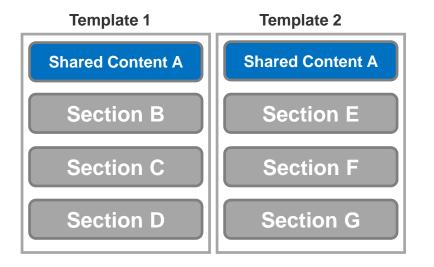
# **Rationalization: Example 2**



In this example, the documents have one piece of content that is similar or the same, but most of the content in the documents are different.

How would you rationalize?





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