
Marketing Accountability Standards Brand Investment Model (Brand Value)

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Overall Objectives (Change the Game, Begin the Transformation):

Brand Investment Model & Discipline (Brand Value)

Develop and trial a model for brand building budgeting and project/expense authorization that represents the time period over which financial returns from the activity are realized

Establish “generally accepted brand valuation standards”

Align management incentive systems accordingly

Change the accounting and/or reporting rules accordingly*

*** This objective is being researched by the Game Changing MASB/FASB Partnership Project Team in parallel with this BIM Project**

Expected Results

A validated model for brand building that represents the time period over which financial returns are realized will be of great interest to most corporations and improve marketing performance by requiring the rigor in budgeting and project authorization that is commonly associated with other “capital” investments.

This, coupled with changing the accounting/reporting rules will create value for all (better reporting/transparency through quantification of brand value, increase in Marketing ROI, predictable & consistent organic growth, improvement in corporate profitability, more and better products and services at less cost to meet the needs of society, etc)

Brand Investment Model Project Team

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Academic (TBD)

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Customer Measurement Provider
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Others?

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Meet: **12 ET 1st Thursday**

Action Plan For Brand Investment Model (Feb 2011)

- I. Frame-Up Project, open debate & approval by MASB Directors (April 2010)*
- II. Form Project Team and designate leadership (May-Feb)
- III. Create straw man model: June-September* (Feedback @ Summit)
- IV. Determine Measures that will be used (Sept – Nov)
- V. Prep for Summit: Review What is Known & Planned (Oct-Jan)
 - Project Overview (Rajeev)
 - What is Known re Proposed Measure (DV) for Brand Strength (Stewart)
 - What is Planned
- IV. Expand Team to 3-5 non-competing global Marketers/Brands (Jan - June)**
 - ANA will assist
- VI. Design the Trial Process (January - May 2011)
- VII. Start Trials (June – January 2011/12)
- IX. Trials in 3-5 corporations (June 2011 – July 2013)
 - X. Preliminary Summary & Conclusions (August 2013)
- XI. Review with open debate by MASB (September 2013)*
- XII. Practitioner Paper (Date negotiated w/Team August 2011)
- XIII. Post for Feedback (Date negotiated w/Team August 2011)

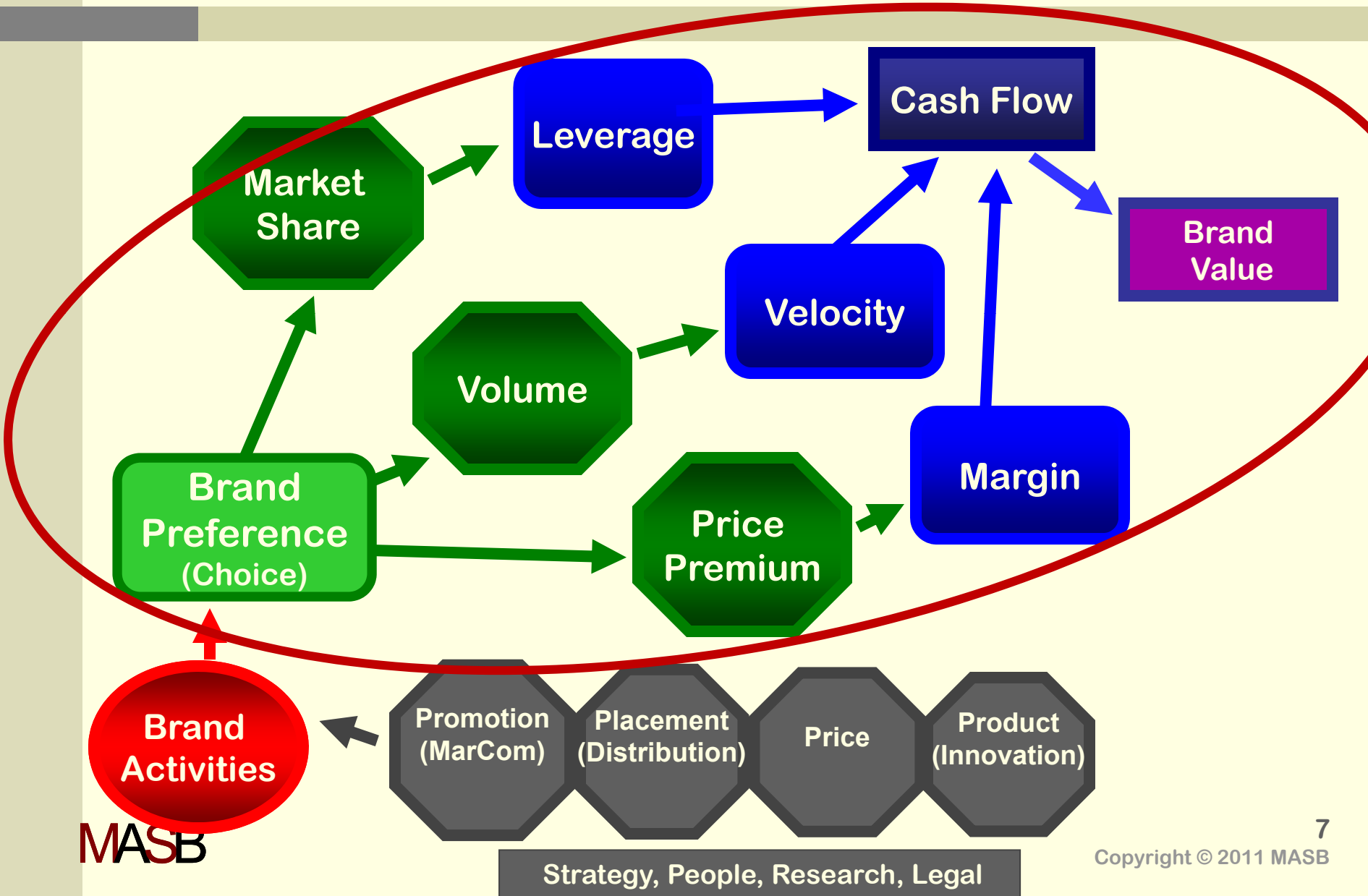
* Explicitly approved by majority of MASB Directors & Chair

** Perhaps two approaches at the same time...tracking brand preference (products) among consumers and tracking brand preference (company) among investors.

What is Known & Planned (Stewart)

- The Model (MMAAP Conceptual Links)
- Why Brand Preference for “Brand Strength”
- What is Planned

Brand Investment Model: MMAP Conceptual Links (Stewart 8/10)



Why Brand Preference (Choice) for “Brand Strength”?

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- Fits the Lehmann, Farris, Ambler, Stewart theories/constructs

CMO/CFO Conceptual Alignment (8/10)

Marketing => Branding

Creating Brand Preference

Profitable Growth over Time*

Asset (Brand Value)

Shareholder Value

On Balance Sheet**

Panel aligned/agreed with following caveats:

- * “How much” & “over what period of time” needs quantification
- ** Not sure this is necessary

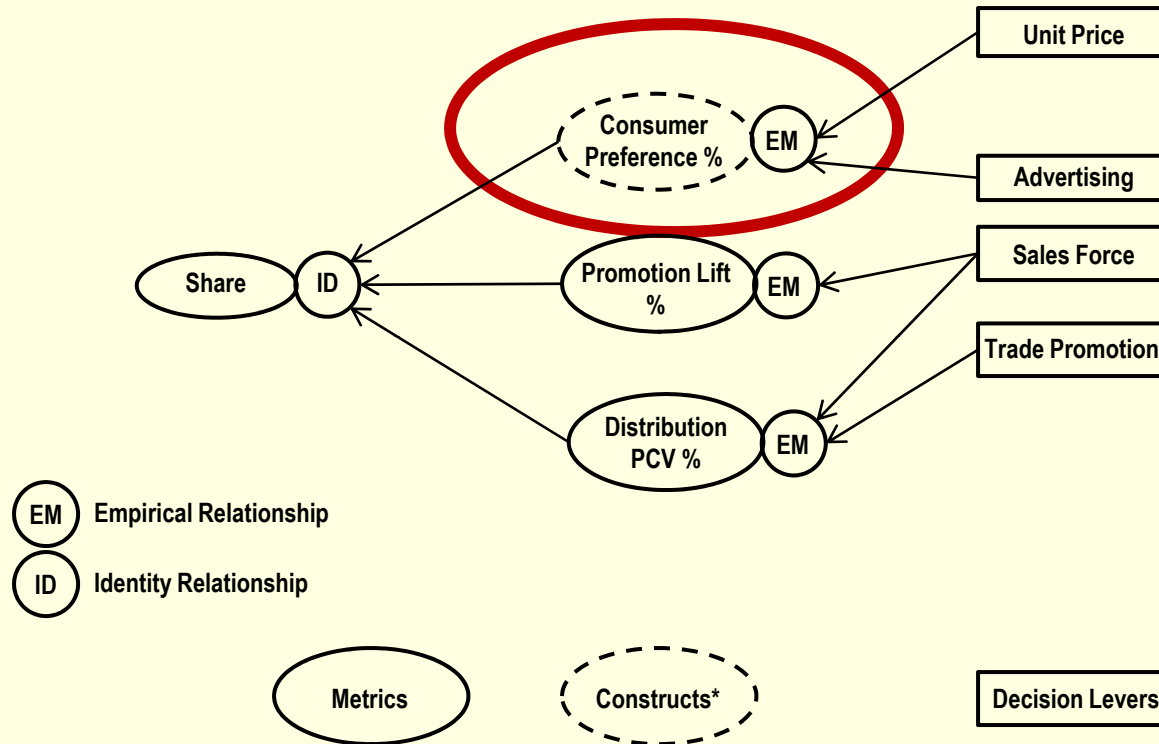
Lehmann's Conceptual Brand Investment Model (8/10)



Important “Facts” (Lehmann)

- There Are Logical (Causal) Links among the Various Components
- In Survey Data, Responses Have a Major Person Effect Which Inflates Correlations
- A Complete System View Is Complex
- **A Few (or Even One) Measure Can Capture Much of the Impact of All the Measures**
- **Mind Set Metrics are More Useful When Taken in a “Real” Setting (e.g., Including Competition)**
- Consistency in Measurement is Critical
- Tracking Over Time is Necessary; Changes Matter

Farris & Reibstein Model



...strongly suggests the need for a third metric, “preference”, to create an attractive identity that may be useful in separating empirical effects and allowing for important interactions.

Theoretical Framework - Ambler

“...we have classified and reviewed prior research of intermediate and behavioral effects of advertising using a taxonomy of models...

Although such models have been actively employed for 100 years, we find them flawed...the concept of hierarchy (temporal sequence) on which they are based cannot be empirically supported...

We also suggest that behavioral (**brand choice**, market share)...measures be compiled in...databases to enable researchers...to test the interaction of content, intermediate effects, and long-and short-term behavior. In this effort, we also must **relieve measures from cognitive bias.**”

Sources: Vakratsas and Ambler 1999; MASB 2008 & 2010.

Theoretical Framework - Stewart

“...research efforts would be more insightful if the focus were on measures of...behavioral change, rather than exclusively on cognitive measures such as recall (awareness) or attitude change.

The present study is among the very few to use (a behavioral brand choice measure) of demonstrated reliability and validity.

The single most important...factor related to the persuasiveness of the commercial is the presence of a brand-differentiating message.

Stewart and Haley (1983) have suggested that the primary function of marketing communication should be to suggest a basis for consumer choice.

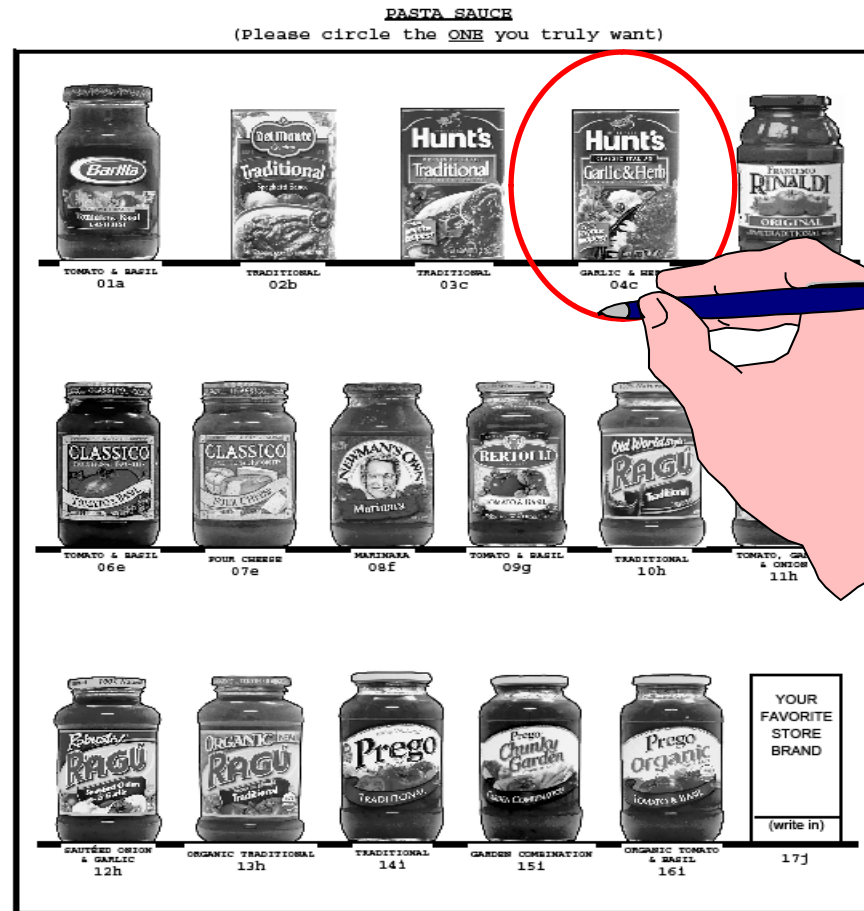
Choice rules tell the prospective buyer how to choose a particular brand.

A brand-differentiating claim must introduce meaningful variation among alternatives, but it need not be directly related to product performance.

When products are perceived to be very similar, any basis for differentiation ...may represent the basis for choice”.

Sources: Stewart et al 1986; MASB 2008 & 2010

Brand Preference (Choice) Instrument



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Behavioral, Relevant, Simple, in Competitive Context

Brand Preference (Choice) Instrument

QUICK SERVE HAMBURGER RESTAURANTS
(\$5.00 CERTIFICATE)
Please circle the ONE you truly want

01a 03c 05e

09n 14c 15p

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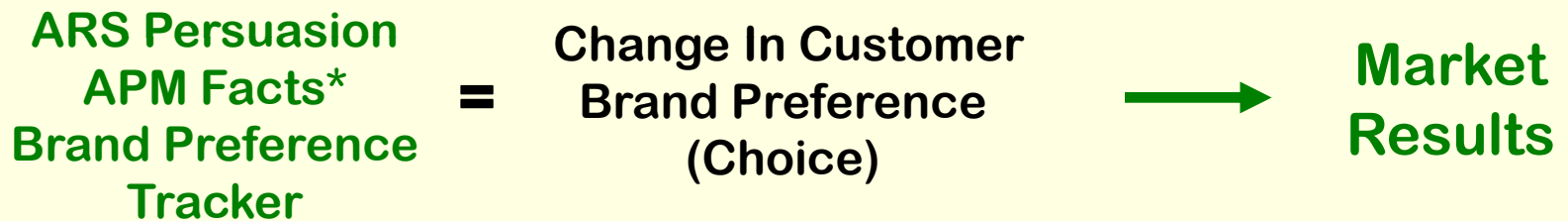
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- **Has Met the 10 MMAP Characteristics of an “Ideal Metric”**
 - In particular predictive validity

“Ideal Metric”: Brand Preference (Choice)

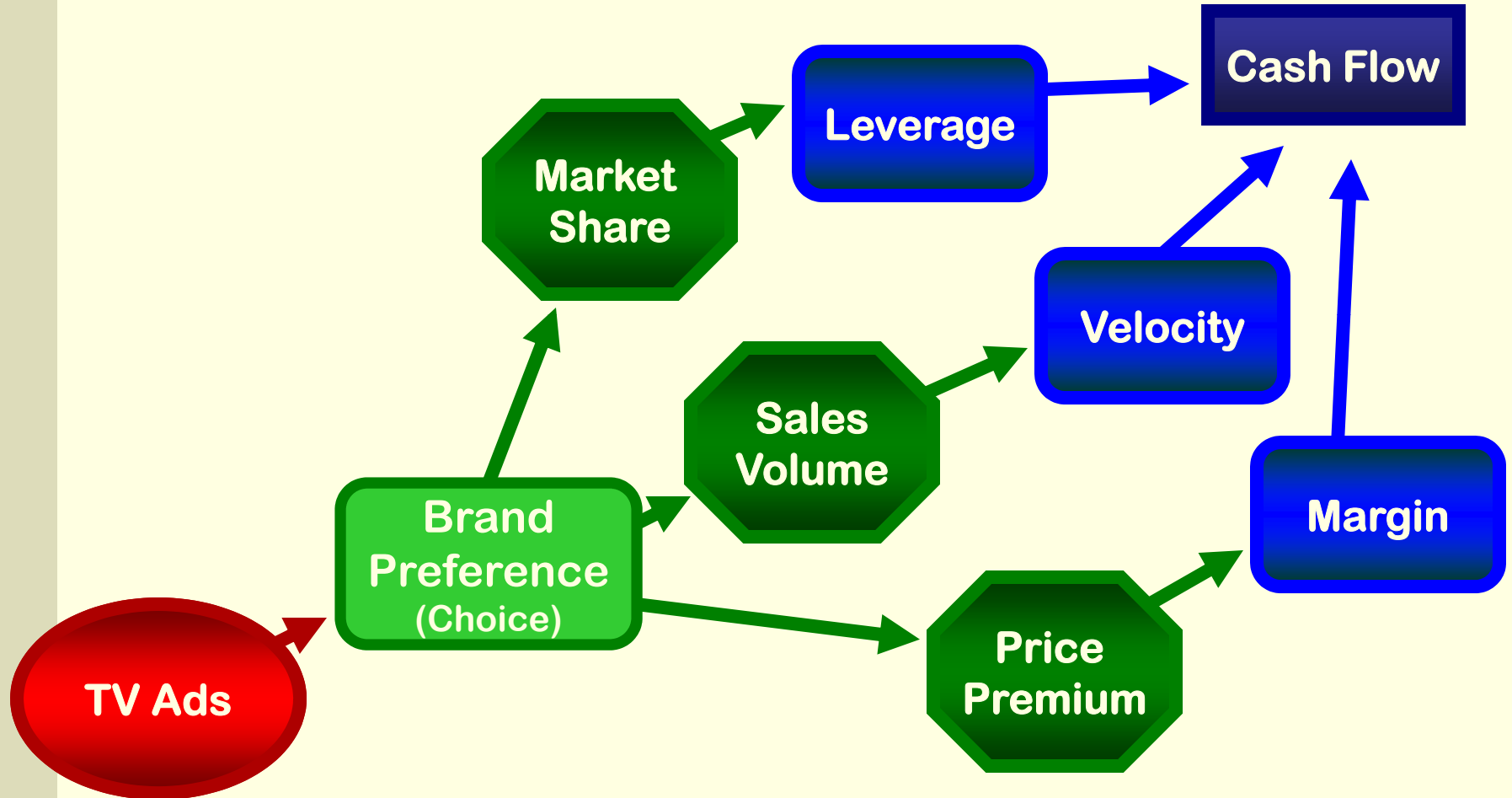
MMAP empirical evidence is based on a specific method of measuring customer Brand Preference (Choice)



* APM Facts = ARS Persuasion Metric for TV ads that actually air versus the same instrument used at other stages of the advertising process.

Note: Sample sizes = 500 – 1500

MMAP Example: Activity, Measures & Conceptual Links



Sources: MASB 2008 & 2010

Validation & Causality Audit

Every Intermediate Marketing Outcome Metric Should Be Validated Against Short-Term and/or Long-Term Cash Flow Drivers and Ultimately Cash Flow (or to the Drivers of the Cash Flow Drivers).

Sources: The Boardroom Project (2006); MASB (2009)

MMAP: 10 Characteristics of an Ideal Metric

- 1. Relevant...addresses specific (pending) action**
- 2. Predictive...accurately predicts outcome of (pending) action**
- 3. Objective...not subject to personal interpretation**
- 4. Calibrated...means the same across conditions & cultures**
- 5. Reliable...dependable & stable over time**
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MMAP: ARS Brand Preference (Choice) Metric

- 1) Relevant...addresses and informs specific pending action
 - Is proposition strong enough to proceed w/ad development?
 - How much weight behind each ad to achieve desirable impact?
- 2) Predictive...accurately predicts outcome of pending action
 - Predicts ad impact on quarterly sales volume impacted and market share
- 3) Calibrated...means the same across conditions & cultures
 - 2 is a 2 and 7 a 7 in US, Latin America, Europe...for new, restaging, and established brands...no indexing or modeling in derivation
- 4) Reliable...dependable & stable over time
 - Test-retest reliability @ >.90 over 3 decades
- 5) Sensitive...identifies meaningful differences in outcomes
 - A 2 point difference is detectable, and a 2 point difference results in a .04 difference in quarterly market share

Source: MASB 2008

Summary of Validity

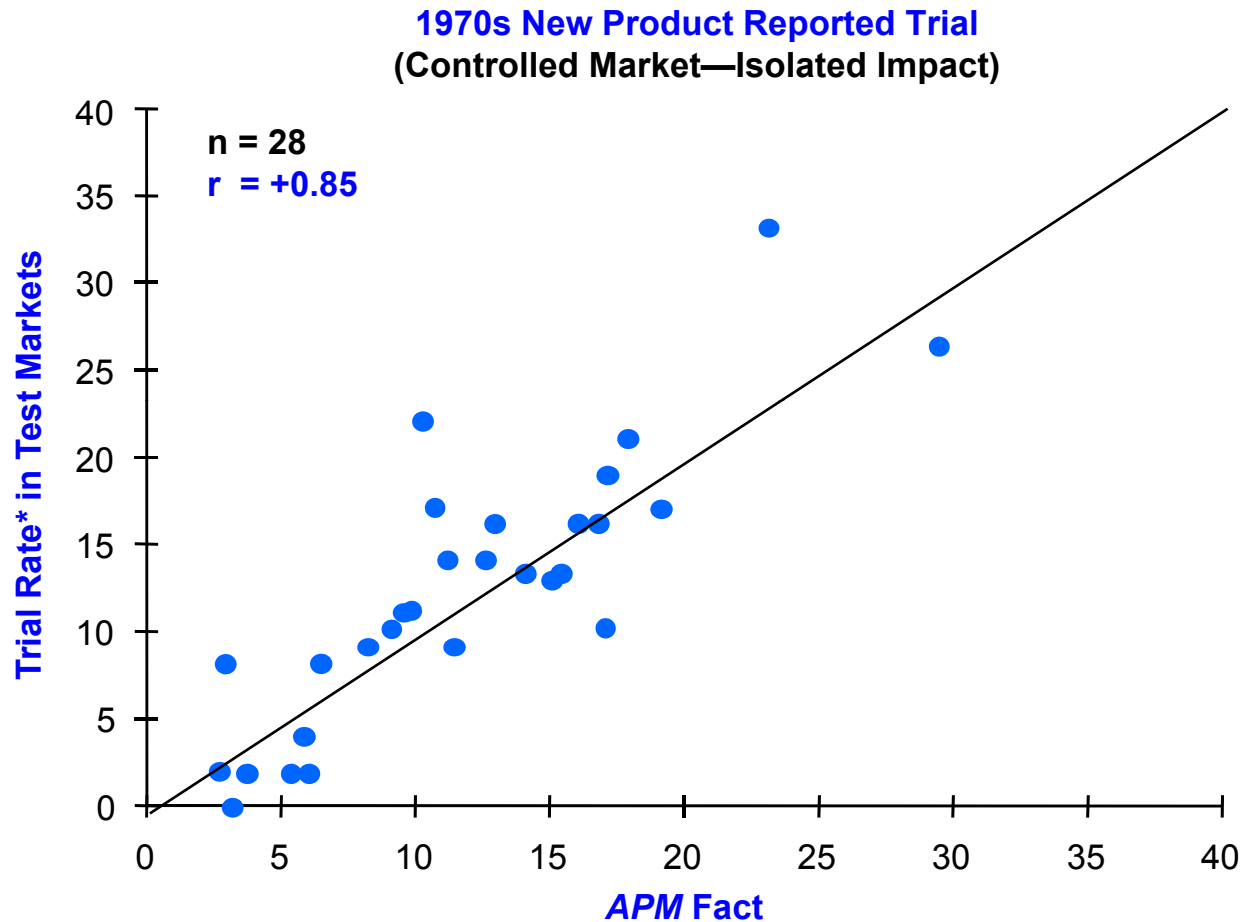
	<u>Correlation with Trial/Volume/Share</u>
1970s New Product <i>Reported</i> Trial (isolated impact)	$r = +.85$
1980s Split-cable Copy Tests (isolated impact)	(7/7)
1990s Split-cable Weight Tests (isolated impact)	$r = +.90$
2000s Marketing Mix Modeling Output (isolated impact)	$r = +.91+$
2000s Scanner Share Change (non-isolated impact)	$r = +.72$

...APM Facts predict ...TV advertising's impact on market results at ~.90 level when the TV activity is isolated from other elements of the marketing mix (about as high a relationship as possible, given sampling probability);

And at the ~.70 level within the context of other marketing activities (demonstrating the relative leverage of TV in the marketing mix, as well as the precision of this consumer brand preference/choice methodology).

Sources: "Measuring and Improving the Return from TV Advertising (An Example)"; MASB, April 2008

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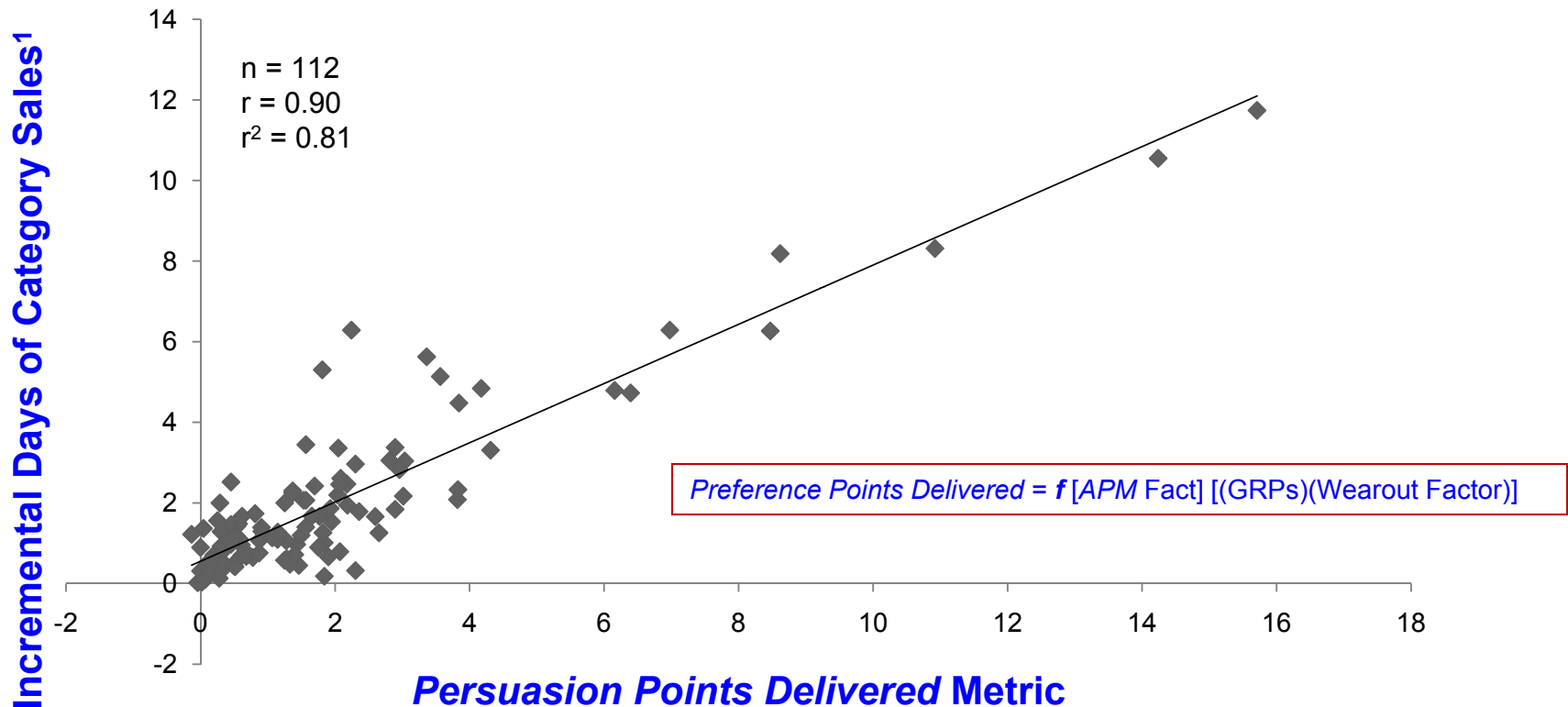
APM Facts accurately predict the impact of TV advertising on new product trial rates.

* Reported trial/Reported awareness.

Source: *Advertising Caused Awareness and Trial: ARS Predictive Validity for New Brand Advertising*. **rsc**, 1983.

How do *APM Facts* relate to ad impact when isolated from other elements of the marketing mix?

PPD Metric Predicts the Sales Impact
(Free Market—Isolated Impact From Market Mix Modeling)



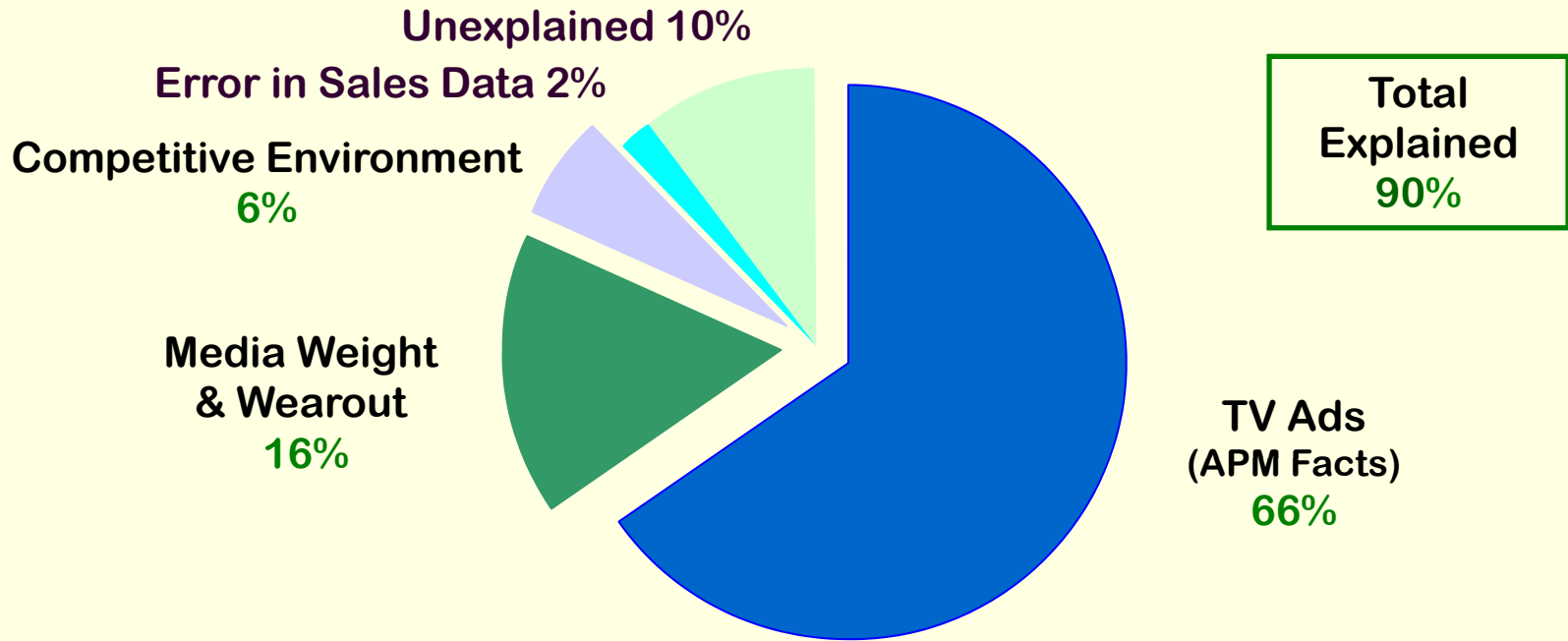
The relationship between the Persuasion Points Delivered metric and **Market Mix Modeling** outcomes data has a strong 0.90 correlation among the 112 cases in this data set.

¹Days of incremental category volume. Calculated by dividing Incremental Volume from TV advertising by average category volume per day.

²With Normal Competitive Environment

The Media & The Message

Explaining Variation in TV Impact* Business Quarter-to-Quarter



The power of the ad accounts for most of the overall variation in TV impact as derived independently by Marketing Mix Modelers; metrics of GRPs for media weight, APM Facts for the TV messages, the wearout function and normal competitive environment function explain ~ 90% of all differences.

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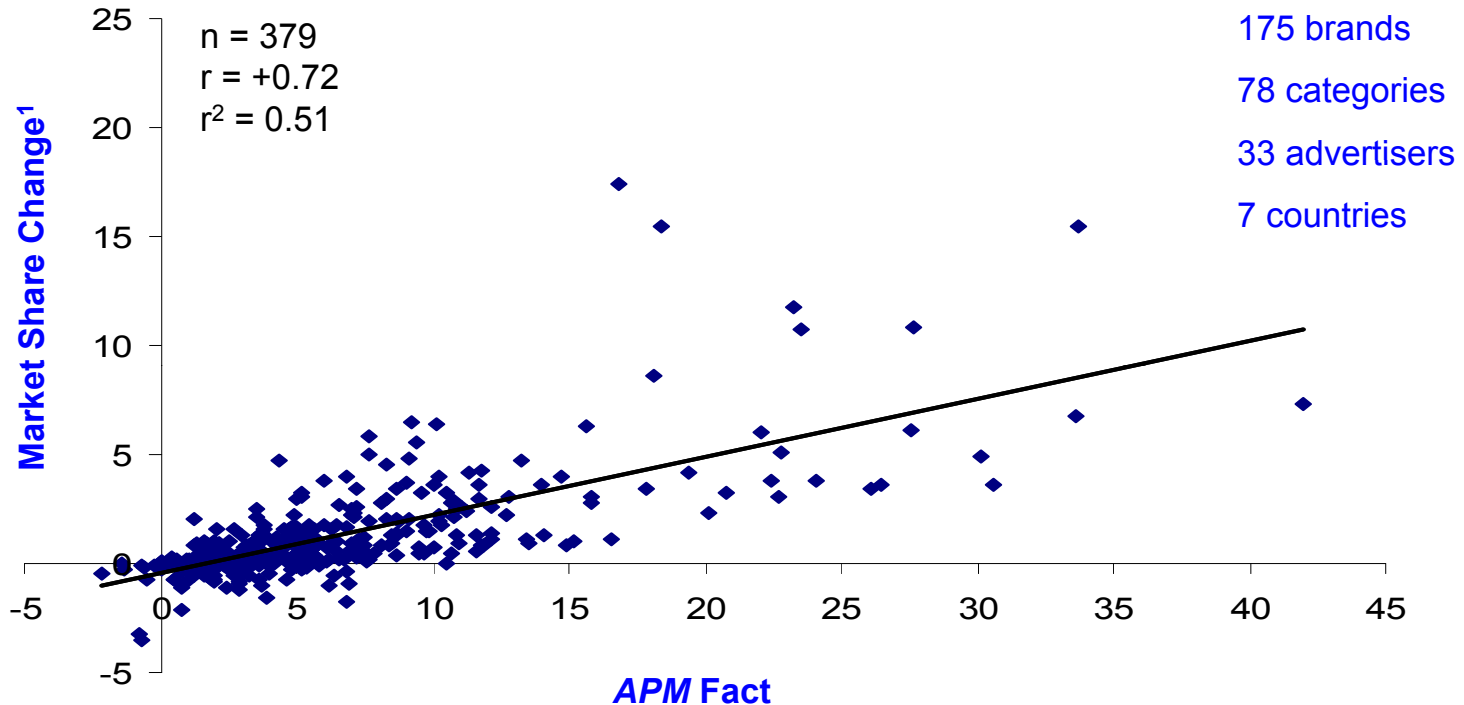
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Analysis

APM Facts and Market Share Change (Period Before Airing to Period After Airing)

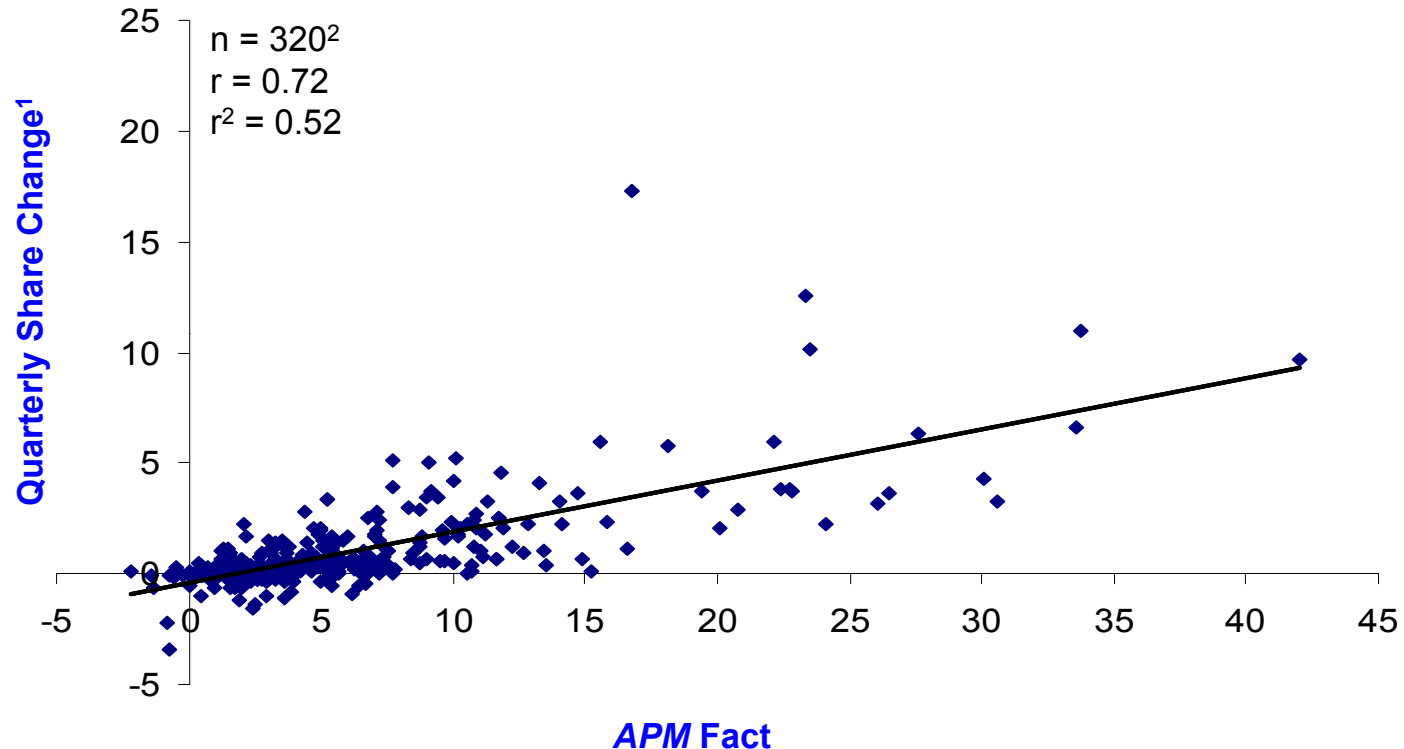


The relationship between *APM Facts* and in-market effects remains strong and is calibrated across brands, categories, and countries. A “2” is a “2” and a “7” is a “7” in the USA, Mexico, Germany, etc. (Just as Market Share is Calibrated across brands, categories & countries)

In fact, the strength of television advertising alone, as measured via the *ARS* methodology, explains over 50 percent of the variance in market share change across brands, categories, and countries. To our knowledge, no other single variable in the marketing mix has been shown to have such a dramatic influence over a 4-week period of time.

¹ Source: R. L. Polk New Vehicle Registration, IMS HEALTH, IRI InfoScan, Markettrack, Nielsen SCANTRACK, or Nielsen Retail Index.

Analysis *APM* Facts and Market Share Change (Over a Quarter)



The strong relationship between *APM* Facts and market share change ($r = 0.72$) continues when the analysis period is expanded over a quarter.

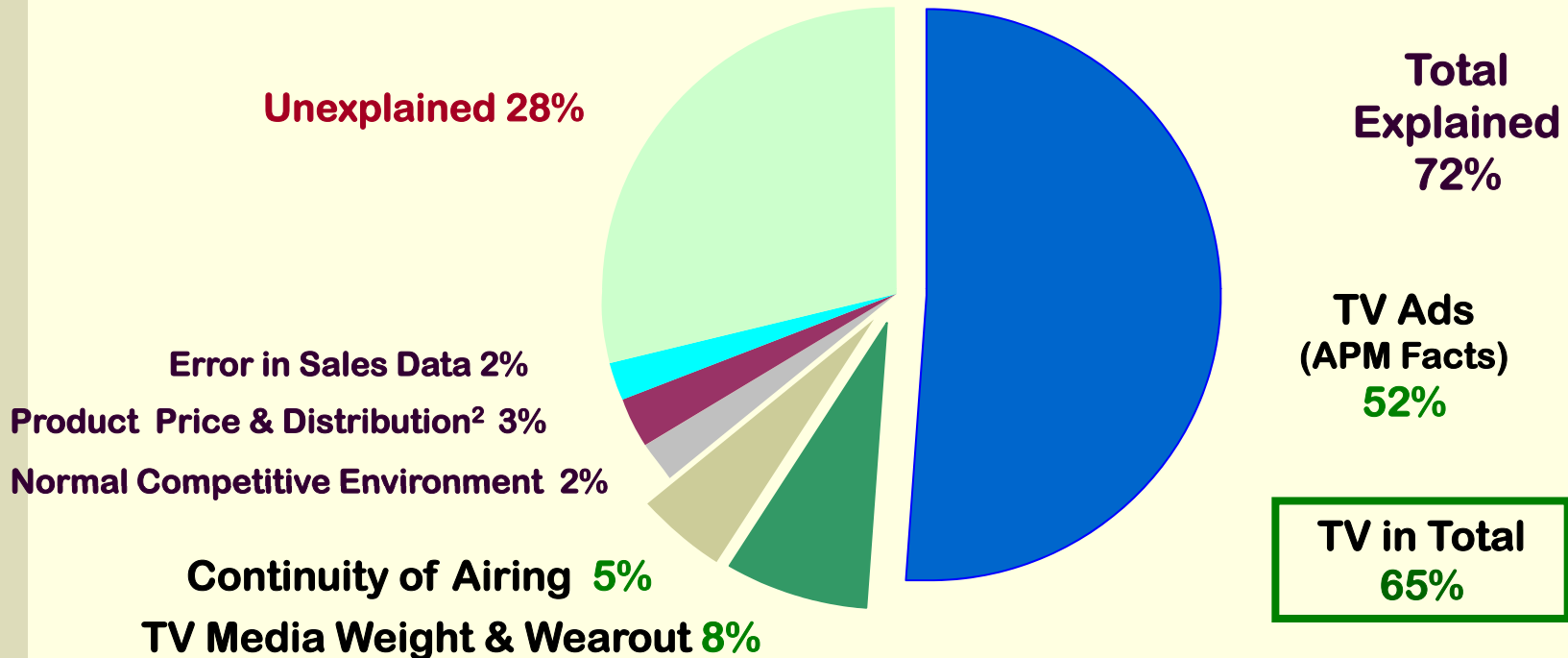
Improving *APM* Facts just “two points” is associated with a +0.4 market share improvement over a quarter.

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² Quarterly share data were only available for 320 cases in the overall data set.

TV The Most Leverage/Improvement Opportunity

Explaining Differences/Variation in Quarterly Market Share Changes



Across ~179 brands, TV activity explains 65% of the total variation in Market Share changes, quarter-to-quarter

Indicates TV has the most leverage of all elements in the mix (other channels combined would account for <28% in today's environment)

(Bias in database: contains only brands that do TV)

MMAP: ARS Brand Preference/Choice Metric cont

6) Objective...not subject to personal interpretation

What consumers choose post-ad exposure minus pre-exposure

7) Simple...uncomplicated meaning & implications clear

Level of impact on consumer brand choice

8) Causal...course of action leads to improvement

Improvement in return +83% to +130% on average

9) Transparent...subject to independent audit

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10) Quality Assured...formal/on-going process to assure above

Systematic reliability and validity processes & management

Source: MASB 2008

Measurement Standards & Knowledge Practices (#10)

- Behavioral nature of methodology
 - Relevant (#1)
 - Objective (#3)
 - Simple (#7)
- Systematic test-retest reliability process (ARSAR)
 - Reliable (#5)
 - Sensitive (#6)
- Systematic validity process (ARSAV)
 - Predictive (#2)
 - Calibrated (#4)
 - Sensitive (#6)
- On-going better practice insight process (BPI)
 - Causal (#8)
- Documentation, publication, academic audits & collaboration
 - Transparent (#9)

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- **Has been applied all along the marketing process**
 - **To improve market & financial outcomes/return (a la Deming)**

Process Application for Improved Return I

(The Strategy/Value Proposition)

Knowledge:

A best-in-class value proposition is worth dramatic improvement in subsequent advertising impact

Process Improvement I:

Measure upstream to find a value proposition strong enough to meet subsequent advertising return objectives... spend a little more early on and less later...in classic Deming fashion

Improvement in (quarterly) Return:

+83% increase in average “payback” CPG, +52% non-CPG*

* Average “payback” is the modeled contribution of advertising to total brand sales, minus the cost of goods, divided by the cost of the advertising....averaged across brands in the study. It is the equivalent of advertising-delivered “profit before taxes.” (Ephron et al 2003)

Process Application for Improved Return II

(The Shoot)

Knowledge:

Ads work quickly (and predictably) to impact market results, and they wearout just as quickly in the process

Process Improvement II:

Account for wearout at the “shoot” so that there is enough footage to refresh ads with others when they will no longer be working at desirable levels

Improvement in (quarterly) Return:

+93% increase in average “payback” CPG, +57% non-CPG

Source: MASB 2008

Process Application for Improved Return III

(Airing/Applying Weight)

Knowledge:

Each discrete execution has its own unique Brand Preference building power

Process Improvement III:

Measure all executions as they go to air and apply weight (“traffic GRPs”) relative to the size of market and profit margins, and for only as long as they are working at desired levels

Begin managing the Media & the Messages together, based on forecasted returns from the combination

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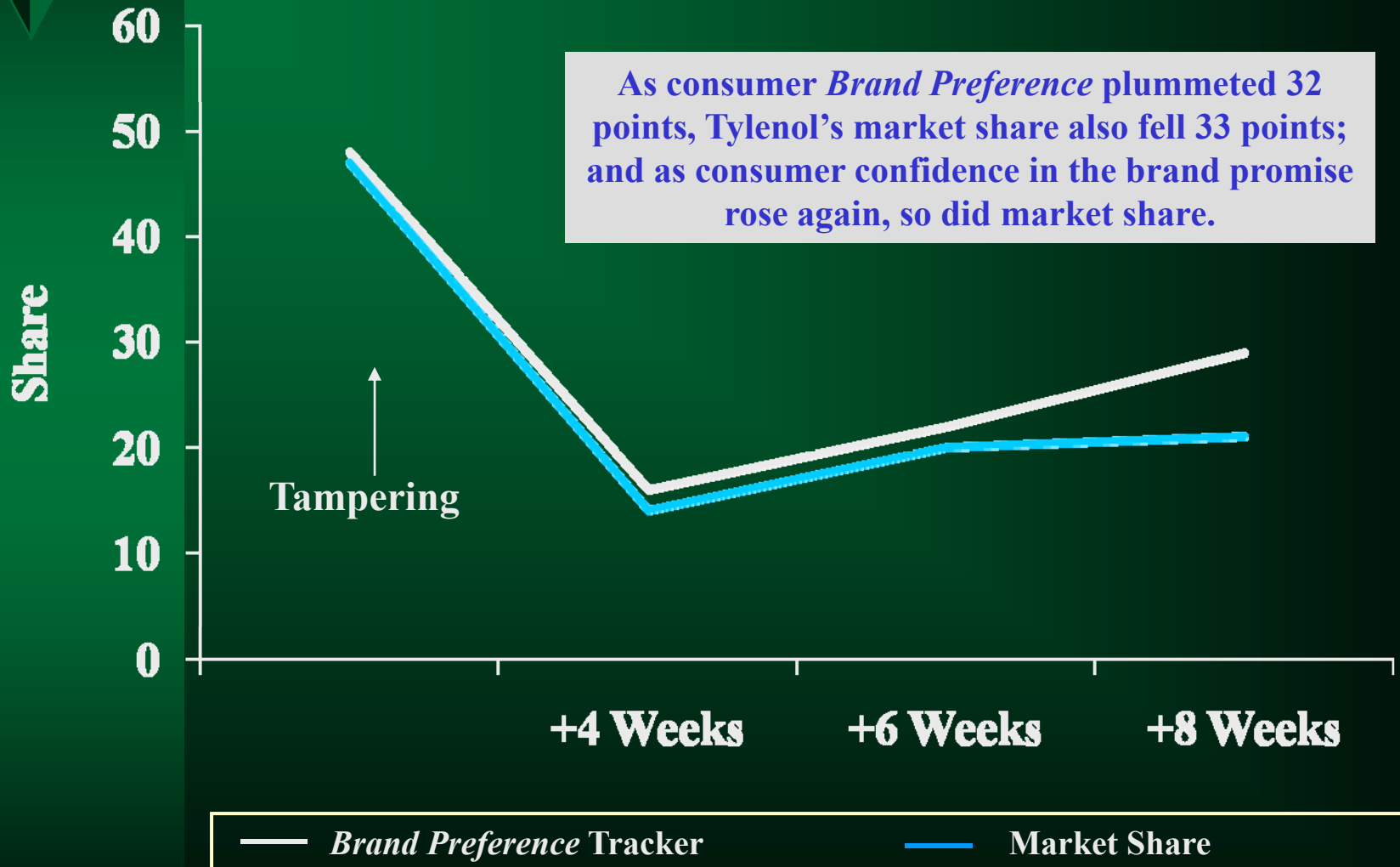
Projected +115% improvement in live example

Source: MASB 2008

**There is also evidence that the
Brand Preference (Choice)
instrument is useful for
assessing the impact of all branding activities
over time (tracking)**

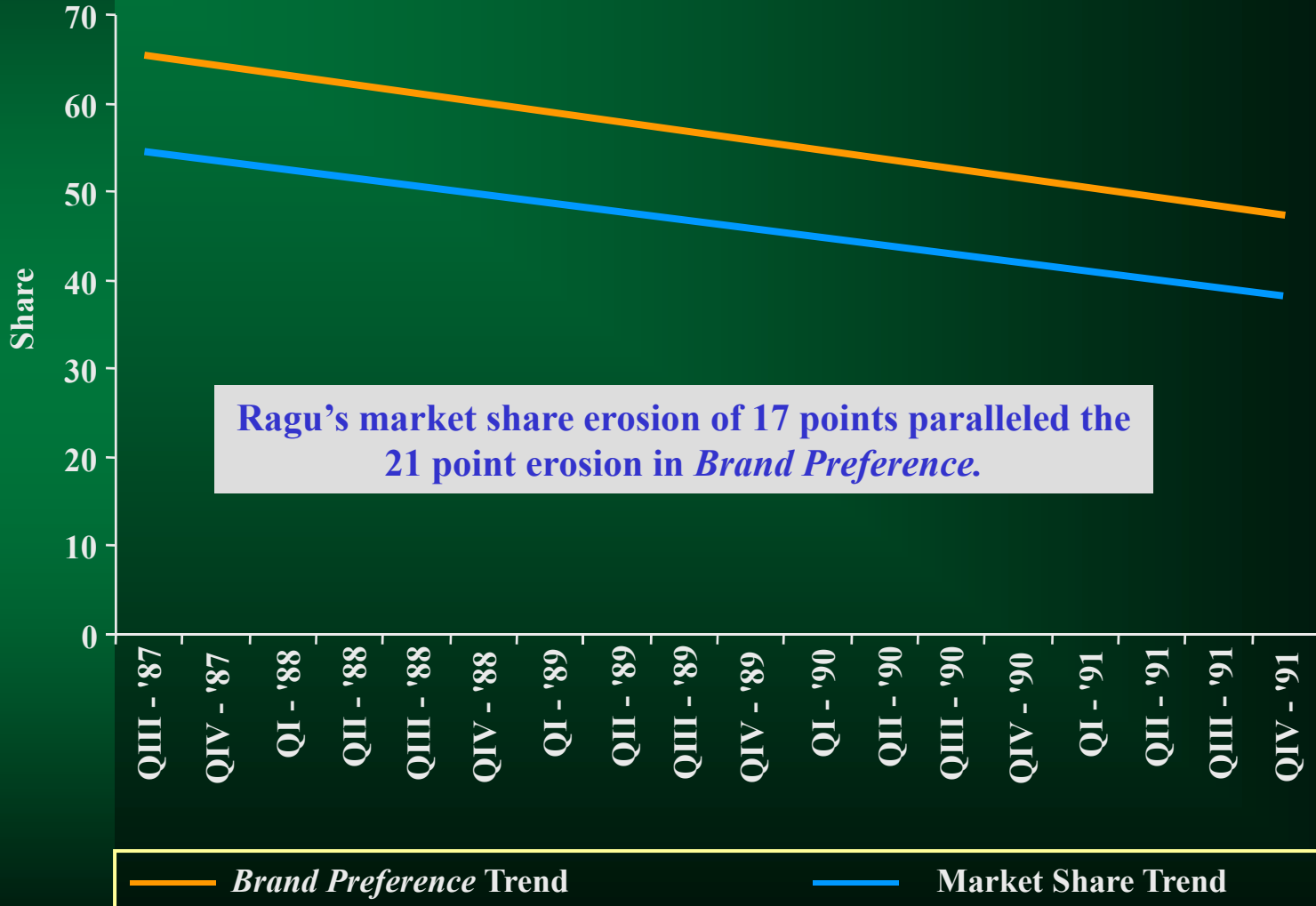


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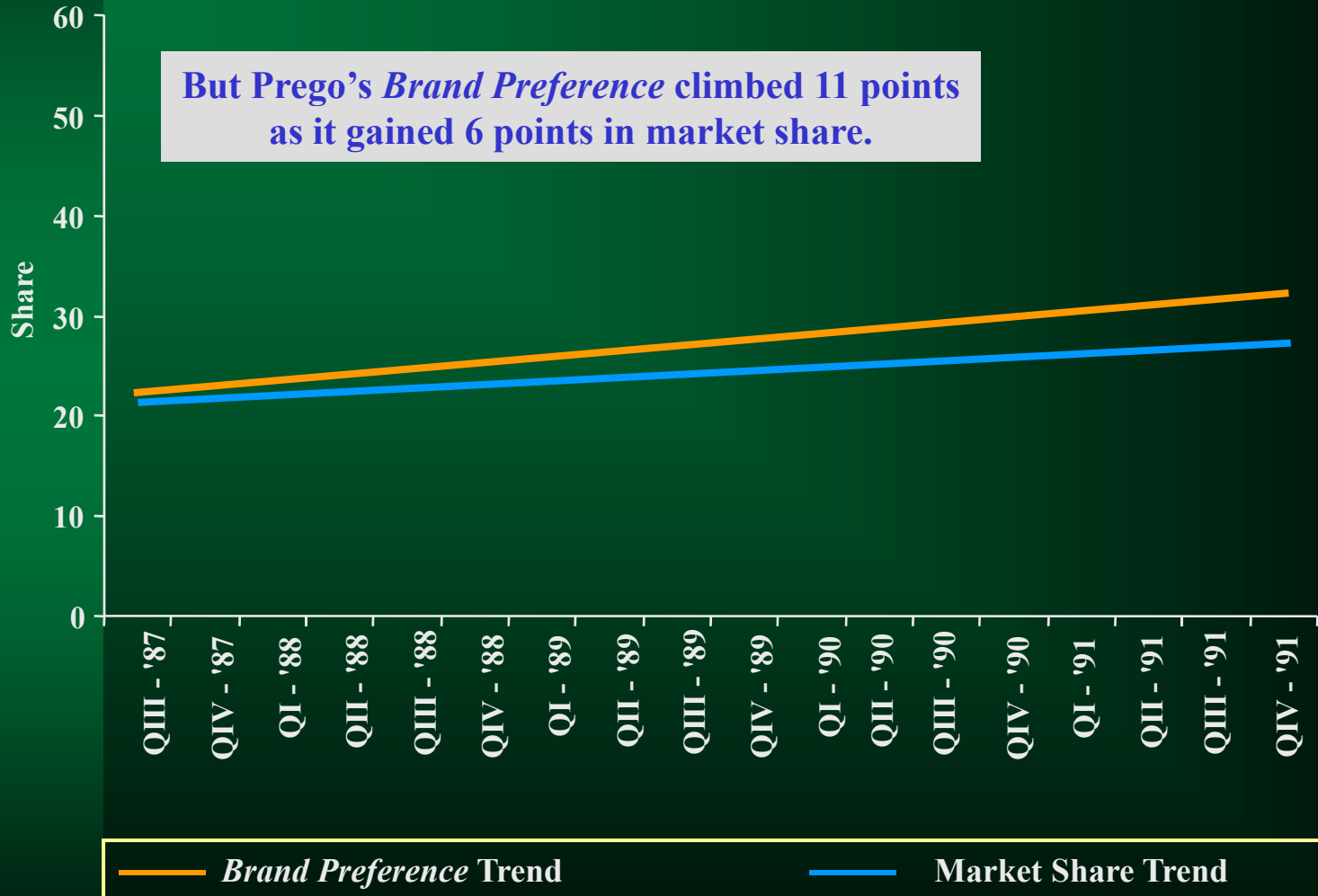


Ragu

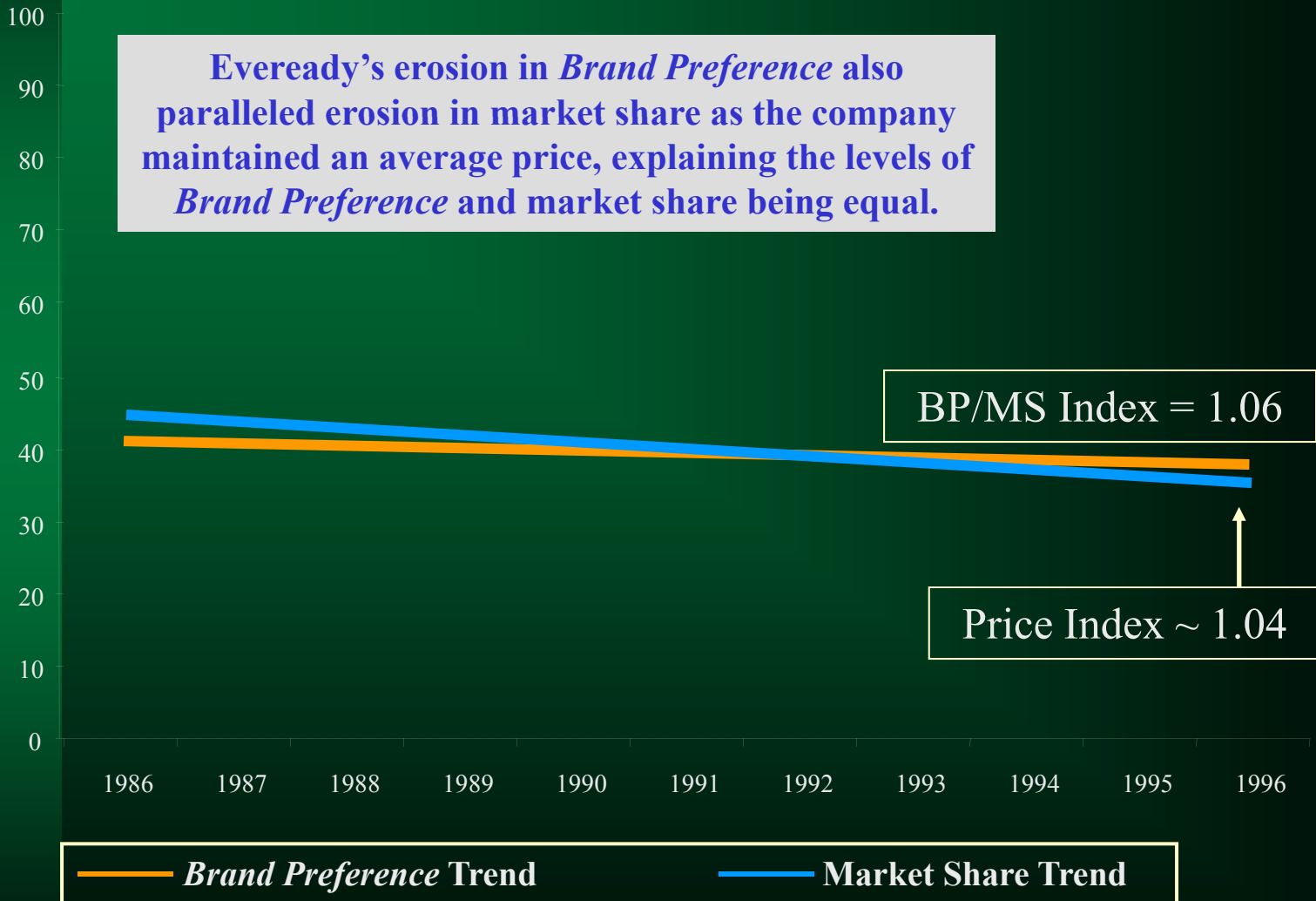




Prego

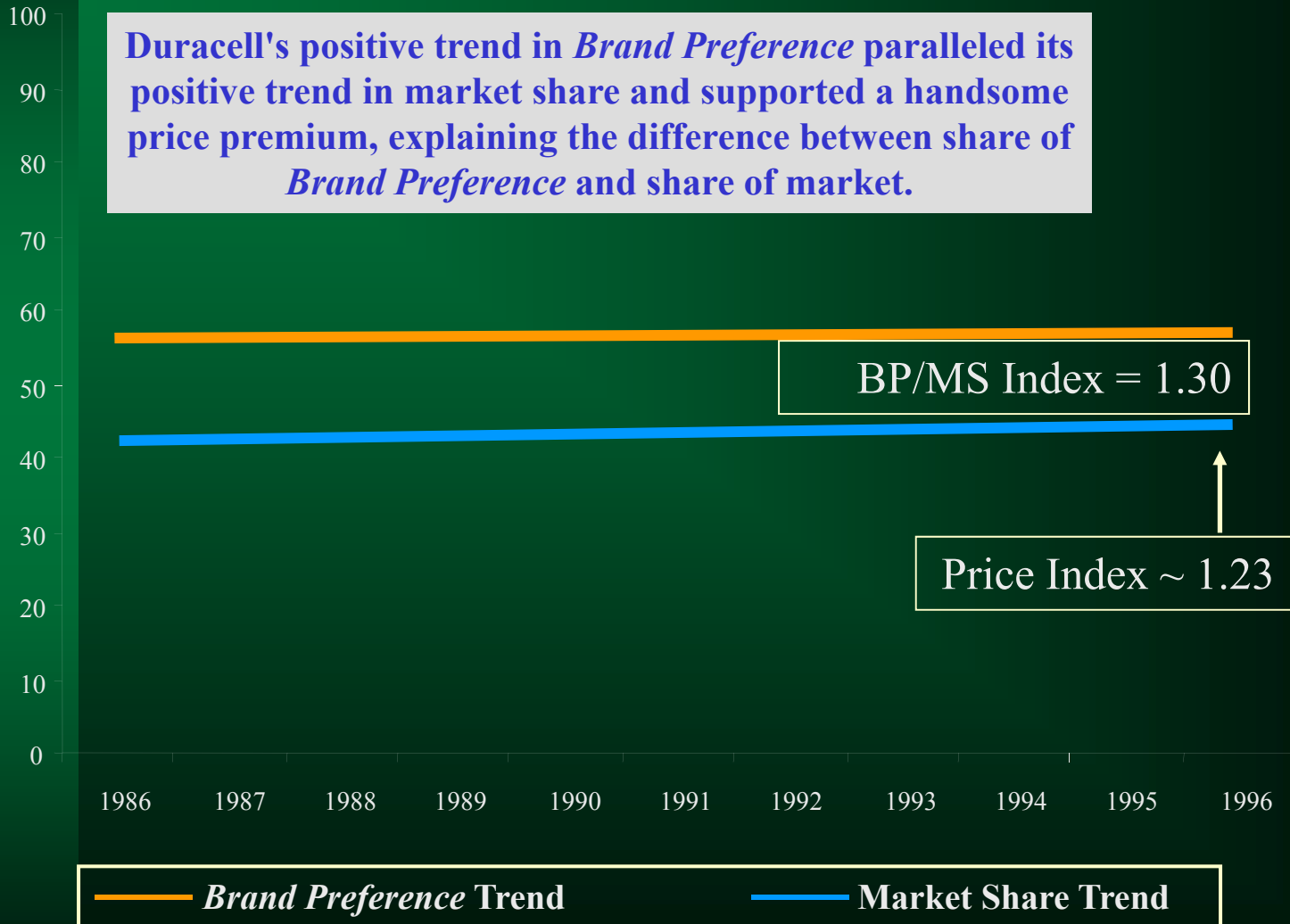


Brand Preference & Market Share (Eveready)



Brand Preference & Market Share (Duracell)

Duracell's positive trend in *Brand Preference* paralleled its positive trend in market share and supported a handsome price premium, explaining the difference between share of *Brand Preference* and share of market.

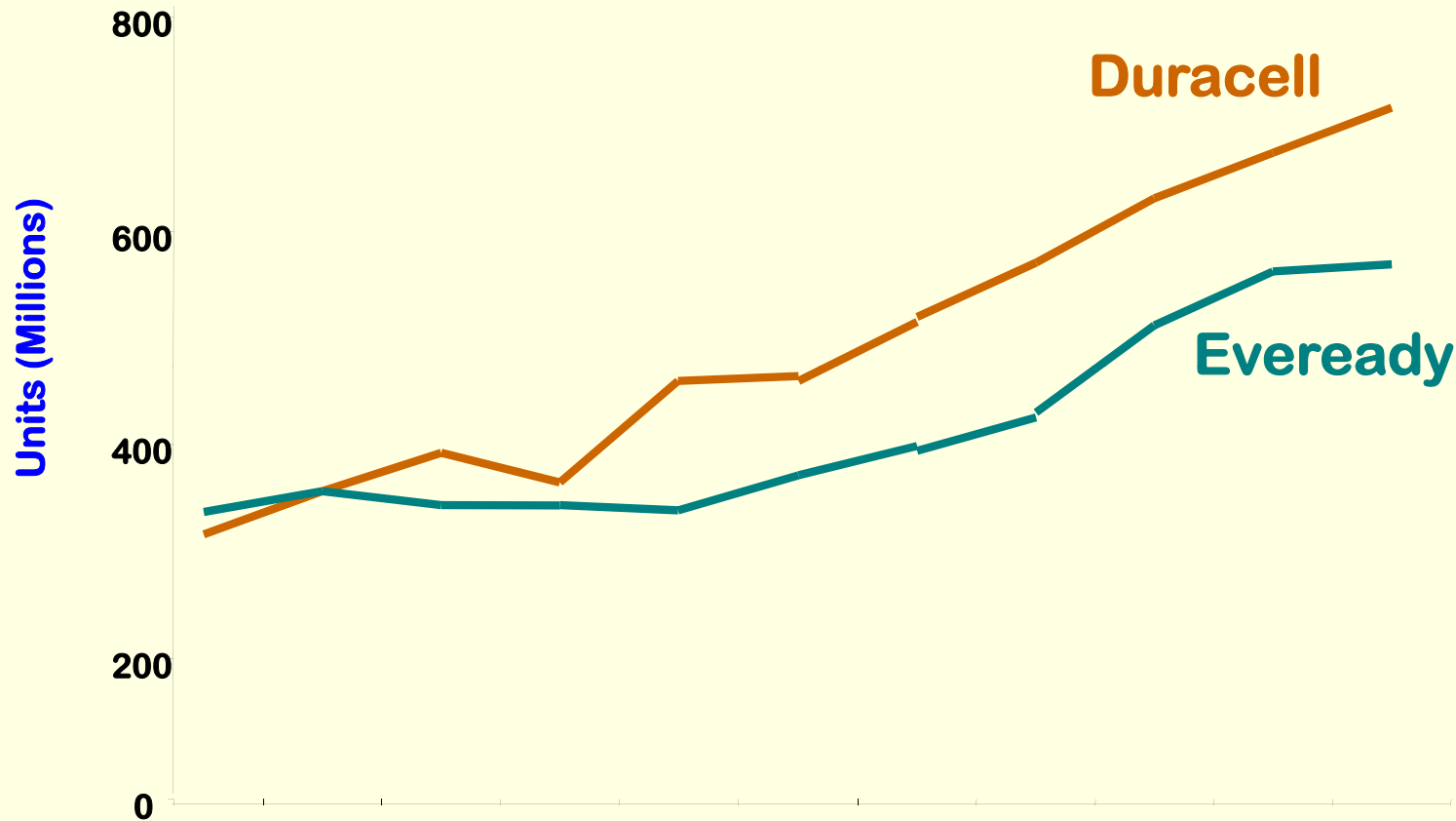


Evidence to suggest that Brand Preference (Choice) will predict long term success and price elasticity (5yr Case Study I)

	<u>Prego</u>		<u>Ragu</u>
Total GRPs	15,034	←	20,400
Average Displays	22	←	43
Average Retailer Ads	29	←	37
Average Selling Price	\$1.80	→	\$1.64
Average (APM Facts)	+7	→	+2
Total TV Power (PPD)	679	→	448
Δ Brand Preference over time (tracking)	+11 pts		-21 pts
Δ Market Share (units)	+6 pts		-16 pts
Δ Sales (units)	+22%		-19%

The difference in performance was the result of Prego's powerful TV activity that drove consumer brand preference (choice) high enough (both short term and over time) to support a 10% higher selling price as well as a growing share of market, even in the face of many new brands entering the market and Ragu's heavier spending & price discounting.

Evidence to suggest Brand Preference (Choice) will predict long term success and price elasticity (10yr Case Study II)



Alkaline Battery sales began to take off in the late 1980s, with Duracell and Eveready starting the race at about the same place. They each sold millions of units more each year to meet the electronics demand . . .but why did Duracell sell more in the end? How did they each manage the brand? What was it worth?

10yr Case Study II cont

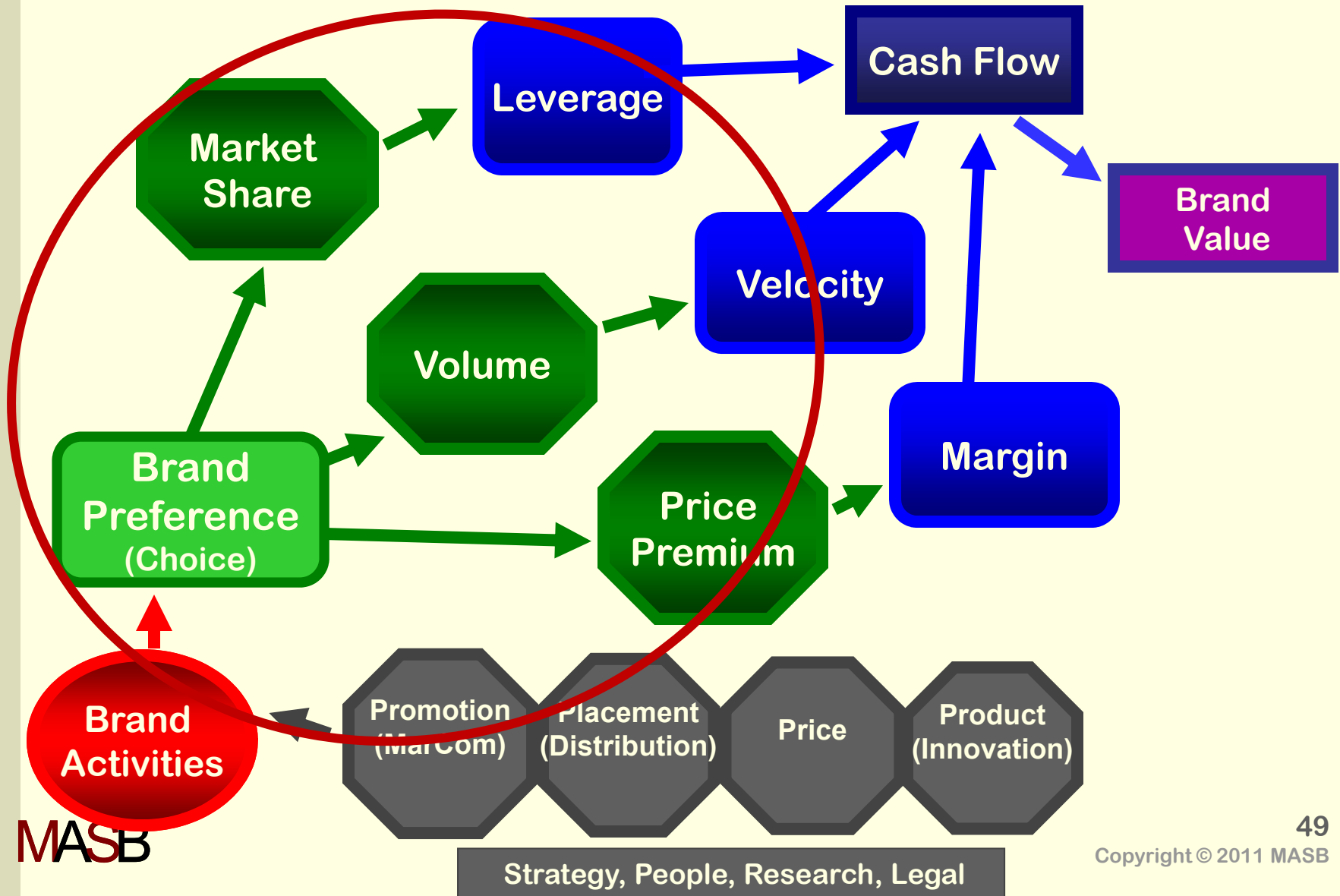
	<u>Duracell</u>	→	<u>Eveready</u>
10 Yr Average (APM Facts)	5.1	→	3.9
Study End (10 th year):			
<i>Share of Brand Preference/Choice (tracking)</i>	57%	→	37%
Market Share (units)	44%	→	35%
Sales (units)	715M	→	568M
Price per unit	\$1.02	→	\$.86
Profit	\$609M	→	\$275M
Market Value*	\$8 B	→	\$3 B

Duracell managed the Brand by continually building brand preference (choice) high enough to charge a 19% premium price and still gain more than Eveready in both unit sales and market share; and the prize at the end of the 10 years was nearly a 3 to 1 market value of the Duracell Company over Eveready.

What is Known & Planned

- The Model (MMAP Conceptual Links)
- Why Brand Preference (Choice) for “Brand Strength”
- **What is Planned**
 - **Begin Tracking for Participating Brands**
 - **Build Bridges from “Brand Health” to Brand Preference**
 - **Build Bridges from Marketing to Finance**
 - **Build Bridges from Brand Preference to Brand Value**
 - **Learn & Improve along the way**

Track Going Forward



Specific Metrics (Draft)

For each Brand in Category; All Categories For Brand (Weekly, 4-Weeks, Quarter)

- Brand Activity Level
 - TBD (by activity, \$\$, GRPs, PPDs, etc)
- Customer (“Brand Strength”) Level
 - Brand Preference (Choice)
- Market Level
 - Volume (Unit & Dollar)
 - Baseline
 - Category
 - Market Share (Unit & Dollar)
 - Price Paid (Average)
 - Distribution
- Operating Financial Level
 - Leverage
 - Velocity
 - Margin
 - Cash Flow
- Macroeconomic Level
 - TBD

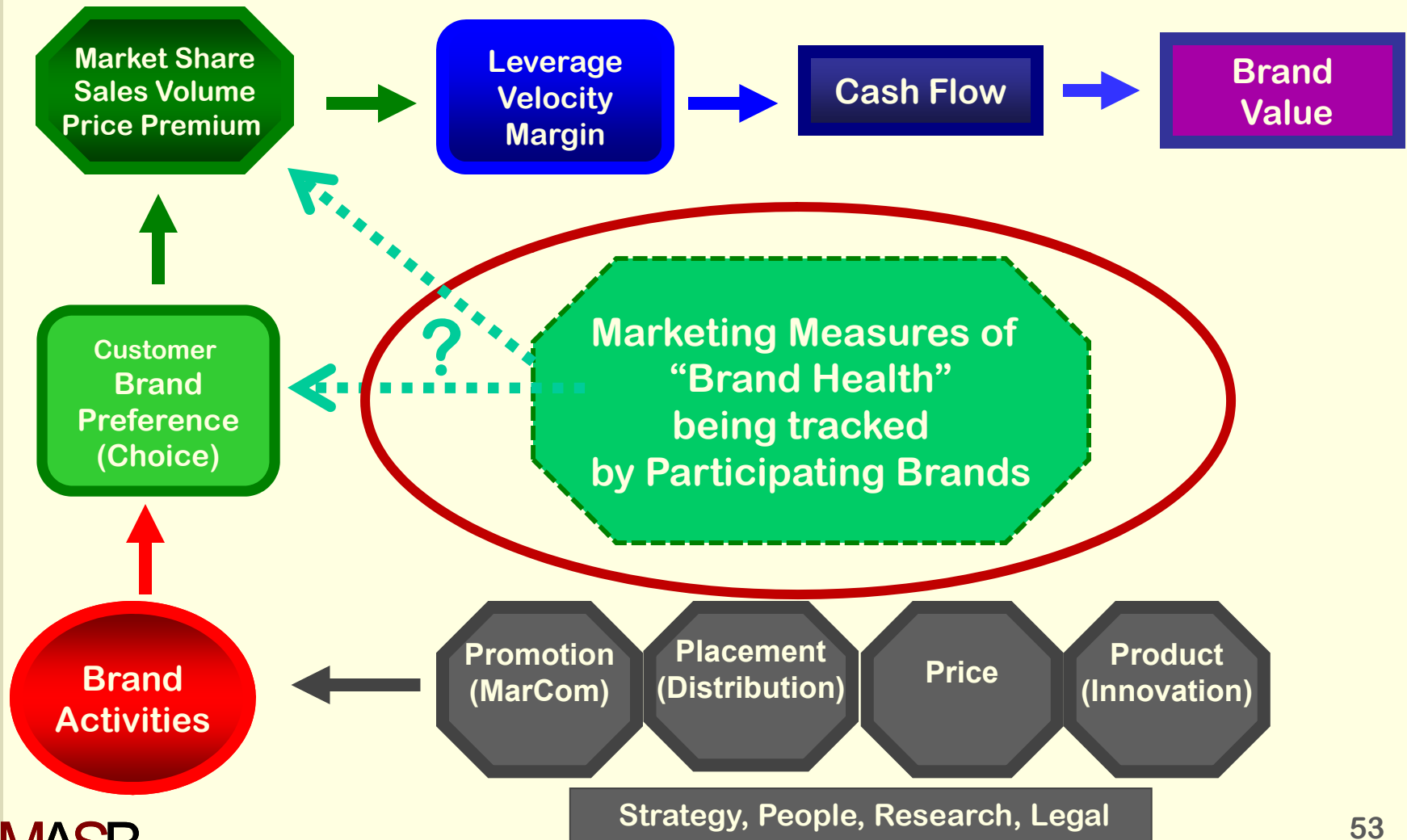
Tracking Brand Preference (Choice)

- The ARS Brand Preference (Choice) methodology is proposed based on its demonstrated MMAP Characteristics
- Will undergo another MMAP audit in 2011
 - To ensure quality assurance practices are in place
 - MMAP Characteristics #9 & #10 (Transparent, Quality Assured)
 - Given the 2010 change in ownership (rsc to comScore)
- Other available methods of measuring Brand Preference will be considered for customer “brand strength” if
 - MMAP audited & evidence of “Ideal Metric” Characteristics

Build Bridges: “Brand Health” to Brand Preference

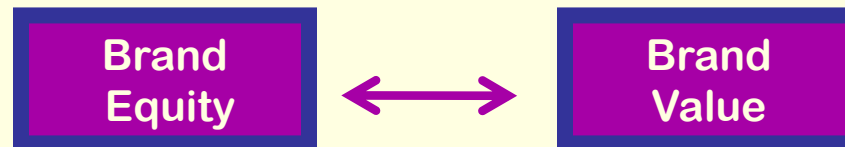
- Available tracking measures of “Brand Health” will be analyzed
 - Those systematically collected by participating brands
 - eg Awareness, Relevance, Differentiation, Willingness to Pay, etc
 - Over same time period

Build Bridges: “Brand Health” to Brand Preference

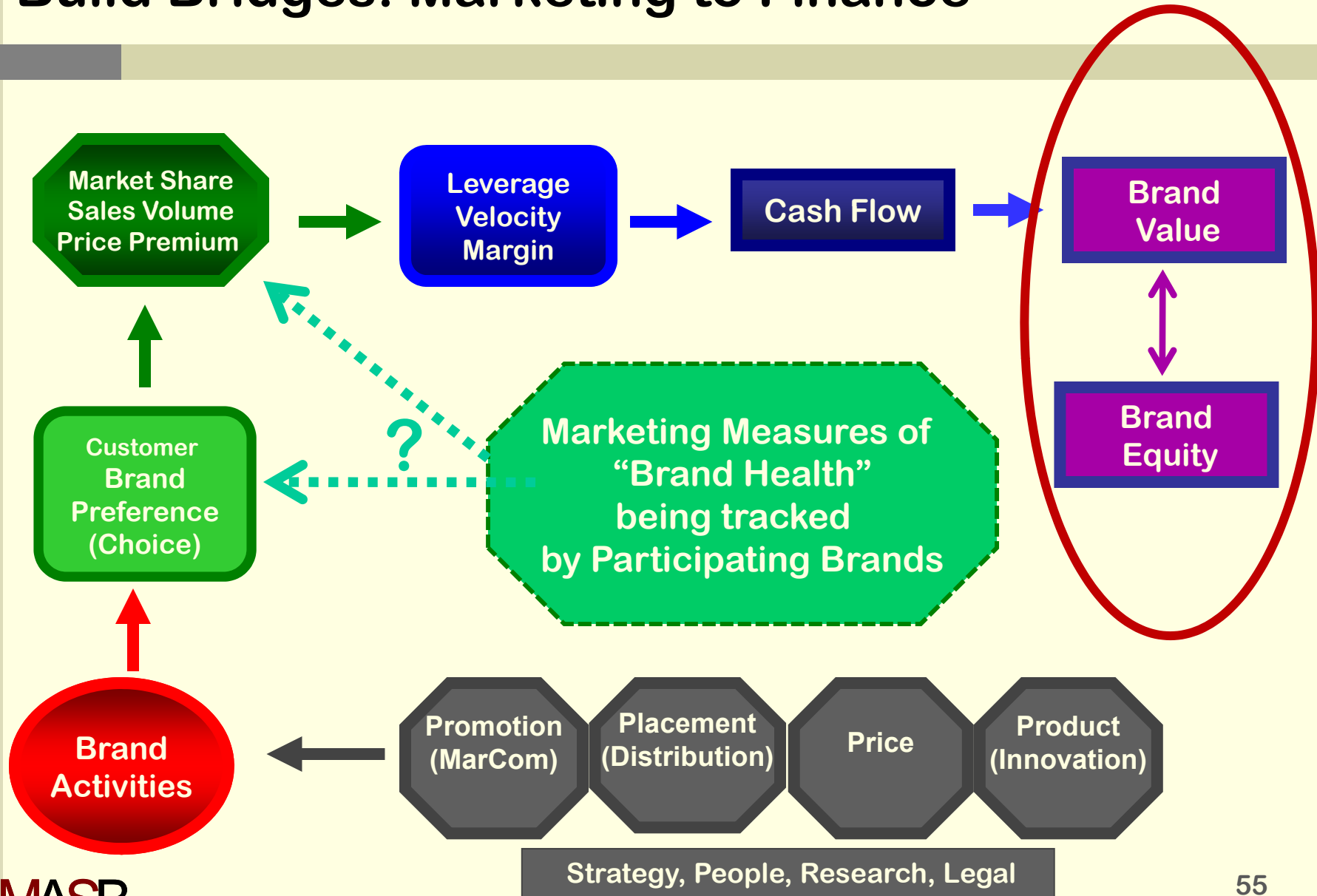


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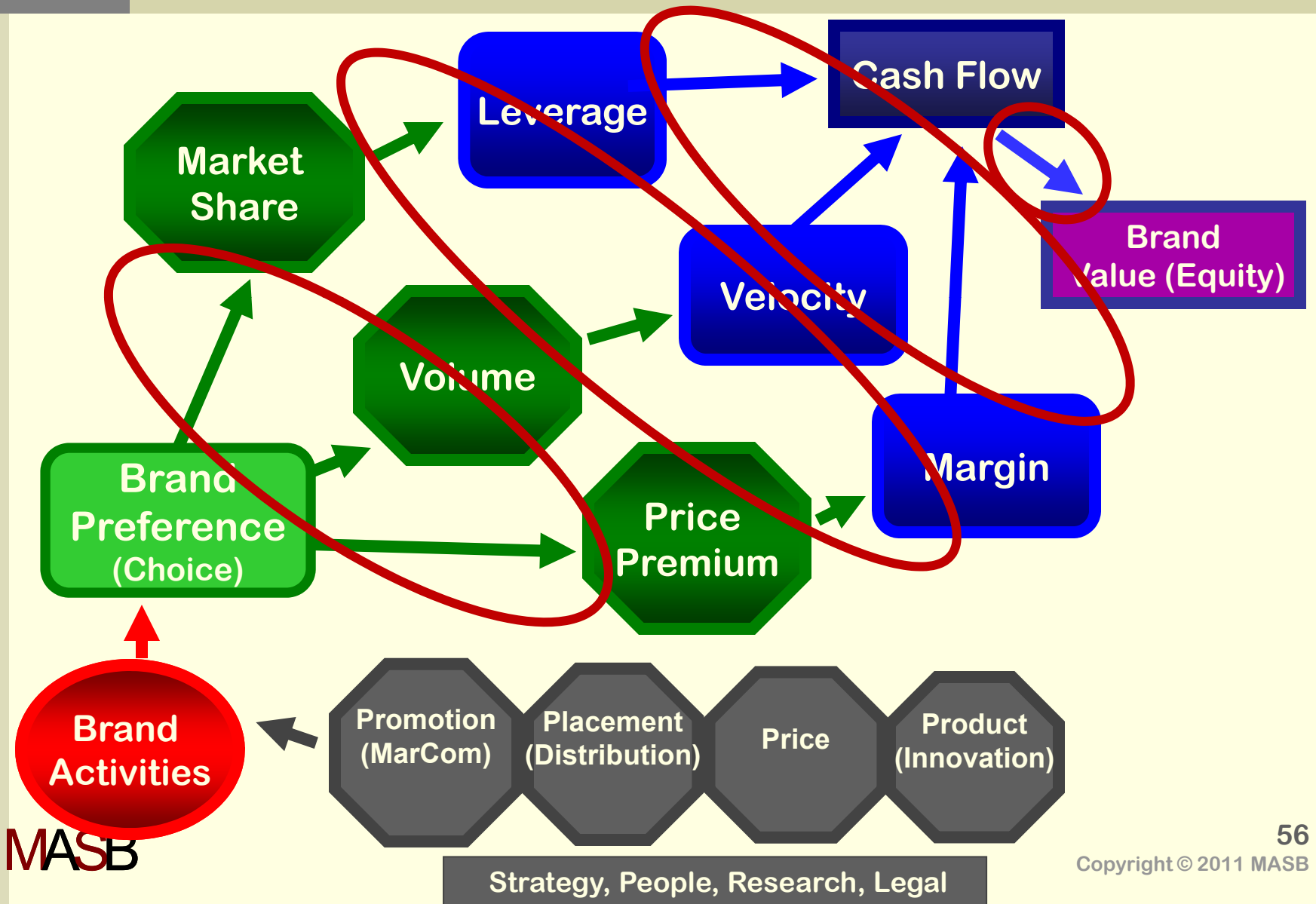
- “Equity” is primarily a Financial Term
- Wikipedia defines Equity
 - Finance: The value of an ownership interest in
 - Marketing: The value built up in a brand



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Build Bridges: Preference to Value (Equity)



Build Bridges: Brand Preference to Brand Value

- Project Team has begun to hypothesize the appropriate equations that will bridge customer brand strength results to market results to financial results and to brand value (equity)
- The appropriate equations will surface as the tracking data is collected and analyzed...they will represent the empirical findings regarding the relationships between measures
- The addition of 1-2 accounting/finance team members will also be important to help us understand and build the bridges to the appropriate/acceptable financial metrics

Equations: Preference to Market Results (Approach A)

■ **Market Share** $_{(t+1)}$ =

f (Brand Preference $_t$ x Relative Price $_t$ x Distribution $_t$)

■ **Volume** $_{(t+1)}$ =

f (Market Share $_{(t+1)}$ X Category Volume $_{(t+1)}$)

Equations: Preference to Brand Value (Approach B)

$$\Delta \text{ Sales (unit or price) }_{t+1} = f(\Delta \text{ Brand Strength }_t)$$

- Examining different length lags
- Resulting in predicted revenue change

Project this value into the future:

- a) Using a constant value less marketing spend needed to maintain that level of revenue change for the period
- b) Assuming a decay rate if no money is spent on the brand in the period

Then compute the discounted sum as estimate of brand value (equity)



Thank-you!



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Break-Out (Groups A & B)

1. Assume there is a “generally accepted brand valuation standard” for measuring, reporting, forecasting and improving return from brand activities...

How will this change the game (+/- and why)?

2. Assume Brand Preference (Choice) becomes the standard (DV) for measuring “brand strength”?

How will this change the game (+/- and why)?

	A	B
Leader	Stewart	Batra
Recorder	Palmer	Kuse

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General Comments/Questions

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Positive

Report Group A (#2)

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Negative

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