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Quantum

Design of an enterprise manufacturing data analytics tool

BACKGROUND

Team & the project

Team (Manufacturing Software Systems)

- Program manager
- Google material design team
- UX researcher from Google Cloud team
- Frontend developers
- Offshore design team members

Users

- Program managers
- Test engineers



Test stations & production lines



Cloud servers

Program managers & test engineers exploring insights









THE PROBLEM

What led to pursuing this project?

Huge amount of complex manufacturing data that gets generated during mass production of Google products at the factory. It was crucial to explore and understand the patterns in data but it presented challenges in terms of:

- Data inconsistencies
- Inefficient access modes
- Data security barriers

Use of several google sheets & visualization tools (JMP, tableau)



Auto-reloading results with way too many dropdown filters

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Research findings

KEY INSIGHTS

Lack of consistent data specifications

As new cross functional teams collaborated, there were different tools in use for similar needs. Diverse data definition and specifications often caused teams to conflicting scenarios.



"During reporting, I aggregate all the build data but the tool from the Logistics team does not follow the data specification we use internally in team.. It's always challenging..."

Julie, 28, Technical Program Manager

KEY INSIGHTS

Data intensive & engineering centric experience is not always preferred

Most senior executives and product managers preferred glanceable content with primary issues, yield trends than data-busy and complex visualizations.



"It's essential to have details ongoing top issues a click away... but I end up having to contact several team members to compile these insights.. "

Dave, 47, Lead Product Specialist

KEY INSIGHTS

Fragmented experience to answer feature-based questions

While users frame queries based using 'if ... else ...' and other connectors, this involved numerous filters and conditions. This presented inefficient and difficult ways to get answers for feature-focussed questions.



"It's hard to create these complex queries and it is challenging for me everytime... I prefer to ask a human instead..."

Philip, 27, Equipment staff, Sony (Vendor)

User persona & journey mapping



With the help of analyzed research data, we arrived at user personas that facilitated storytelling & internal communication. Further, we articulated journey map detailing opportunities at each step.



60418 NEEDS Proactively identify and address factory issues I want to be able to take the data and solve problems on-time Collaborate with necessary stakeholders to achieve team's goals I want to understand overall status in factory and drill-down into data when necessary Ensure cost effective solutions meanwhile making sure efficient manufacturing process. I want to export insights from dashboards to outside applications for communicating with stakeholders. PAIN POINTS

Does not understand acronyms that are manufacturing specific, slow performing data dashboards frustrates most often.

TECHNOLOGY EXPEIRENCE

Uses wide variety of software applications, computer programming tools to synthesize data insights - JMP tool. Python, SOL programming, Tableau.

The Challenge

How might we design for efficient **feature-based insight exploration** with **centralized data specification** and support **glanceable experience** alongside data-intensive dashboard? **CRITICAL USER JOURNEYS**

Connecting users with their deeper need - Goals



As a **Program manager**, I want to understand failure insights efficiently so that I can take proactive measures to avoid/detect them at latent stage



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As a **Program manager**, I need to quickly obtain factory yield data so that I can estimate factory infrastructure procurement needs effectively



As a **Test engineer**, I want to explore & debug failures efficiently so that I can ensure factory daily yield needs are met

CONCEPT GENERATION

Brainstorming session

Within a group comprised of all our stakeholder representatives - **test engineers, PMs, executive members, vendor company team**, we generated concepts.

These concepts were later voted and split based on '**Impact Vs. Effort**'. We picked the top three concepts to prototype further.



Prototyping & design iterations

Progressive content disclosure

Finding a balance between 'engineering centric' view and 'glanceable insight view'

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How best to represent relative aspects of data?

Moving away from conventional charts to explore effective ways to achieve intended outcome



Efficient way to analyze multi-dimensional data insights

Facilitating efficient way to analyze multi-dimensional data (Tree view Vs. Icicle diagram)





Testing for accessibility

Validating with a11y recommendations for 'voice-over', contrast ratio checks & vision test



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The Solution

Top Insights view



Leveraging the power of machine learning to synthesize high-level insights that are glanceable, quick and most-value added to users.

Feature-based data exploration

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An intuitive, simple and conversational approach to explore manufacturing data insights. This minimized the need for complex query filters.

Centralized data specifications & analysis



With consensus across multiple cross functional teams, a single spec was applied to analyze and derive projections.

THE IMPACT

What did we accomplish?

- Daily yield (units produced) increase by 18% overall.
- Adoption of 'Quantum' by other cross functional teams internally at Google 72% increment in page visits per week after launch.
- Saved an **average of 1.5 hours** for test engineers troubleshooting station issues.
- Product returns from customers to 'Failure analysis' dropped by an average of 24% overall.