Digital Transformation Strategies for Achieving Operational Excellence and Business Resilience

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transformation. Furthermore, the chapter evaluates existing digital maturity models and their application in diverse sectors, discussing their strengths, limitations, and potential for evolution. Case studies from manufacturing, retail, healthcare, and finance illustrate successful implementations of digital maturity strategies that have led to measurable improvements in operational outcomes. This chapter addresses the emerging trend of integrating digital maturity into operational efficiency frameworks, offering insights into the challenges and opportunities organizations face as they navigate digital transformation. By bridging the gap between digital maturity and operational efficiency, this work provides valuable perspectives on the future of performance measurement in the digital era.

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