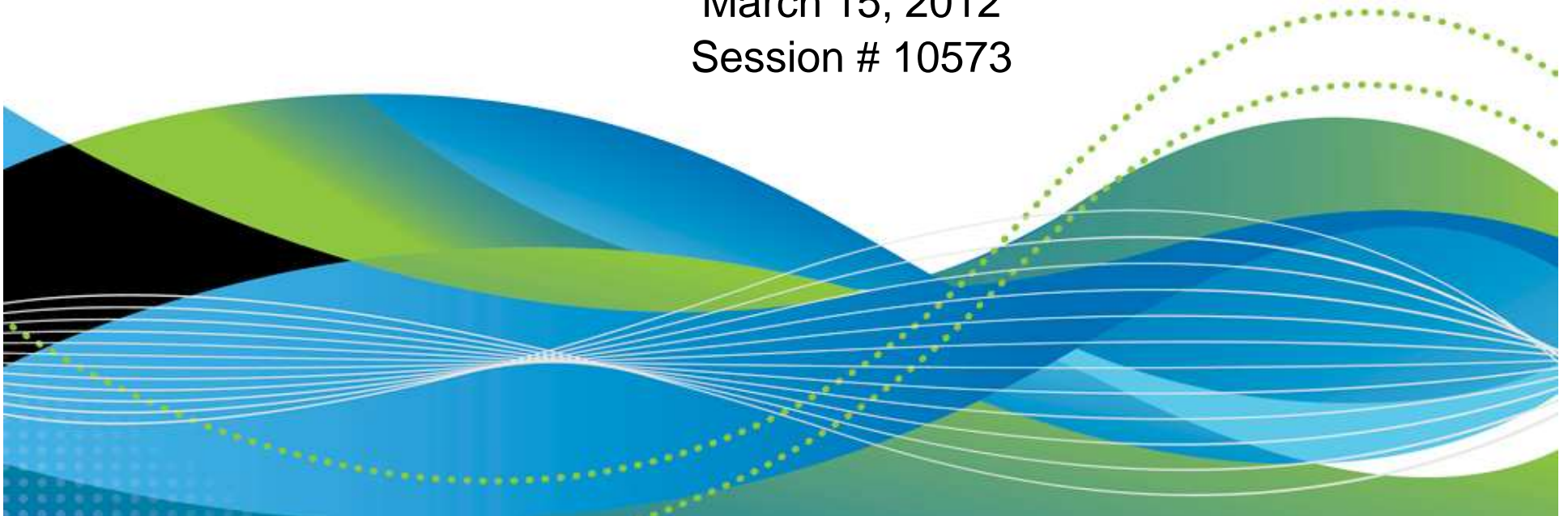


# **Bridging Generations: How a Modern Mainframe Development Approach Can Help Maximize Productivity, Cost-Efficiency and IT and Business Agility**

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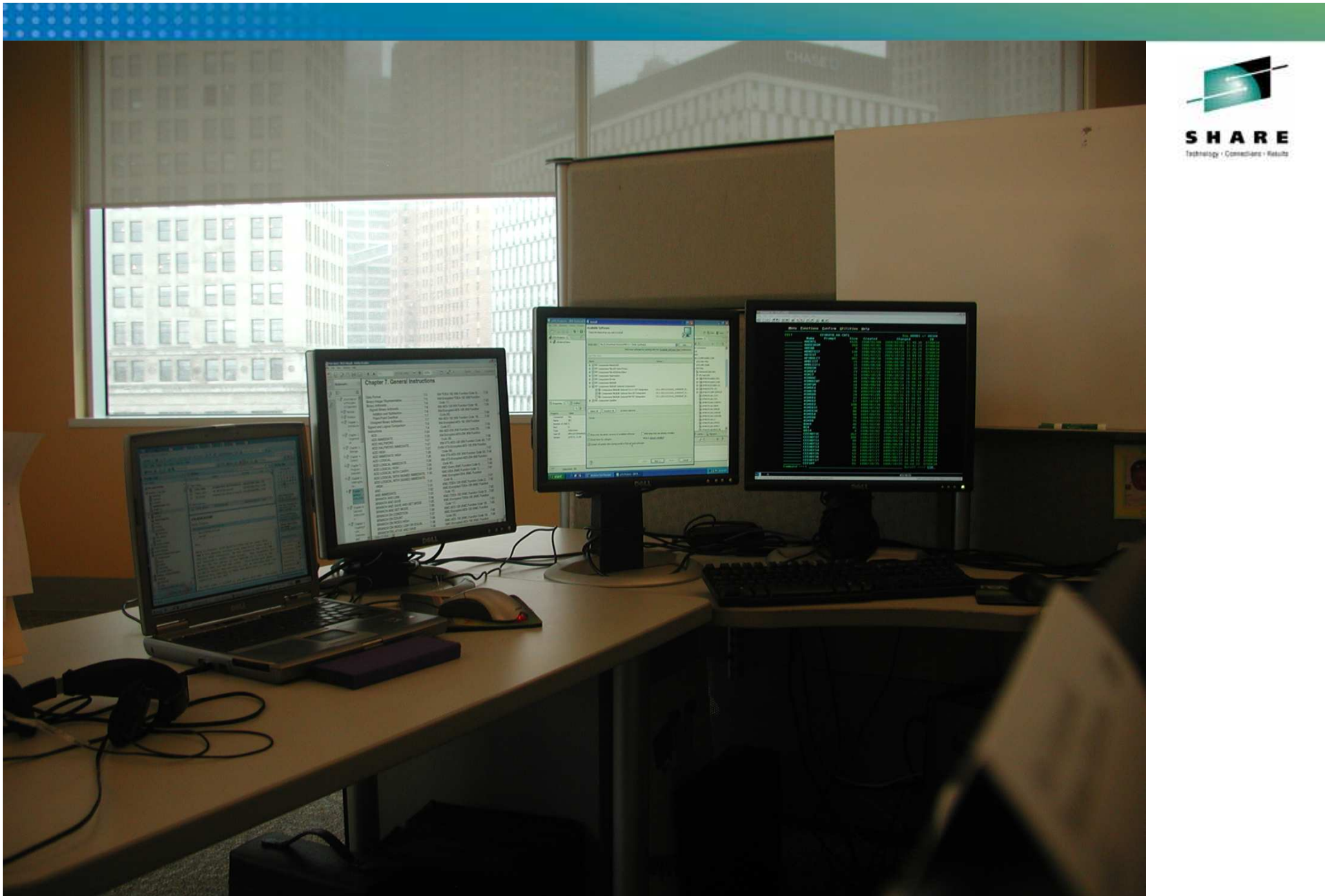








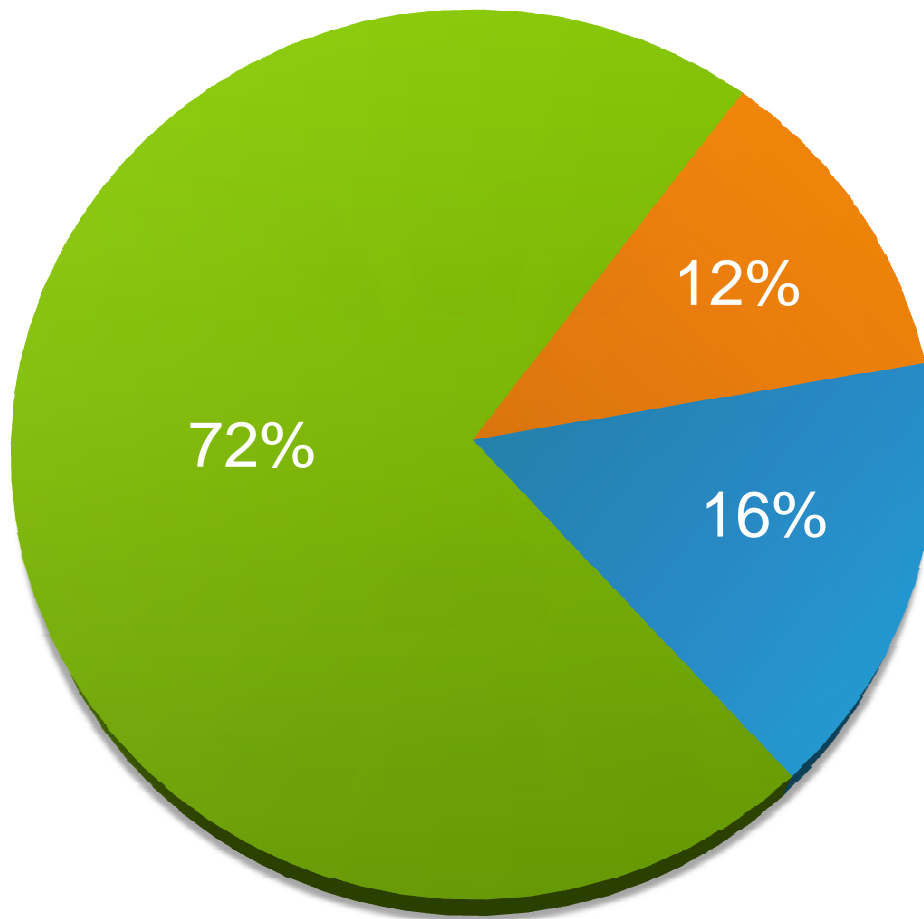




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# Traditional IT Staff



Novice  
Programmers



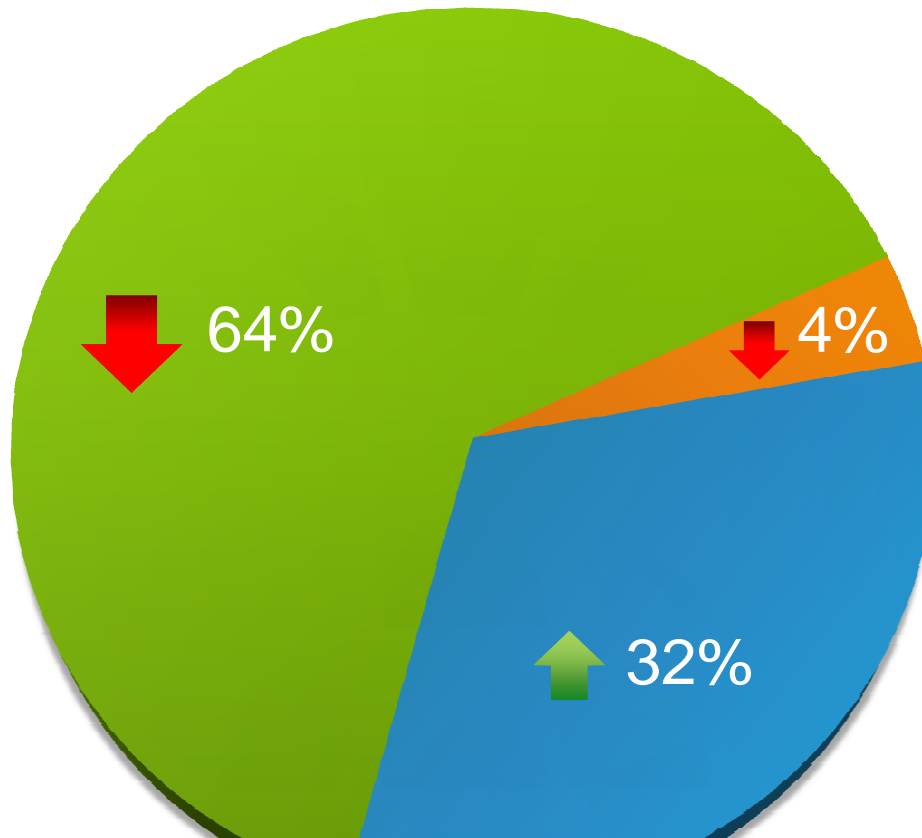
Experienced  
Programmers



Experts



# New Normal IT Staff



Novice  
Programmers



Experienced  
Programmers



Experts

Experts and Experienced Programmers are reaching retirement.  
Novice Programmers come in with a non-mainframe skill set.

# What's NOT new...



But how to get it done most efficiently?

# Modernizing the Mainframe Development Environment

- Goals
  - Simplify & Standardize the End User Experience
  - Enhance and Extend the Power
  - Control/Reduce Risks and Costs
    - Simplify Install & Admin



# Modernizing the Mainframe Development Environment

- So Much to Modernize:
  - Source Code Management
  - Source Code Editing
  - Build, Promote
  - Test Data Preparation
  - Unit Testing
  - Fault Diagnosis
  - System/Integration/Acceptance Testing
  - Performance testing
  - Production Promotion
  - Production Support

# Host Navigation (Demo)

- File Handling
  - Hierarchical Display Navigation
  - Archive Recall
  - Properties
  - Allocation
  - Move/Copy
  - Rename/Delete

# Host Navigation (Demo)



## Job Submission

## JES Queue administration

- Job:
  - Review
  - Save
  - Print
  - Purge
  - Extract JCL
  - Resubmit
- Job completion notification
  - Unobtrusive
  - Fade Away



# Source Code Editing (Demo)

- Language Sensitivity
- Language Help
- Code Navigation
- Outline views
- Edit w/ simultaneous browse
- Auto Completions
- Emulations

## Data Editing (Demo)

- Common Look and Feel across all data stores
- Automatic Data Formatting
- Hexadecimal Support
- International Considerations
  - UTF Unicode
  - DBCS

# Debugging (Demo)

- Eclipse Debug Framework
- Environments
- Languages
- Sharable Debug Configurations
- International Considerations
  - UTF Unicode
  - DBCS



# Seen in the field:



## Do's:

- Provide plenty of screen real estate to the end user
- Think of Modernizing your Mainframe Development Environment as a project
- Break it down into manageable tasks
- Make sure you're building an open, extensible environment
- Expect your underlying landscape to be in a state of flux
- Look at offerings from multiple vendors, and open source

# Seen in the field:



## Don'ts:

- Assume that everyone will be more productive in a GUI
- Require that people use alternative user interfaces
- Assume that a new modernized user interface means significant mainframe CPU savings
- Attempt to roll out a modernized user interface to everyone at once

## The Journey

“A journey is like marriage. The certain way to be wrong is to think you control it.”

- John Steinbeck, Travels With Charley





# Questions?