



Session 15148

Technology Innovation: Tail Wags the Dog



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Abstract

- During this week at SHARE, you've heard about many trends that are having an impact on IT: Mobility, BYOD, Big Data and Analytics, Social Networks, etc. As businesses take advantage of these innovations, more of the processing can and should be moved to the mainframe for all the reasons we know and love, such as reliability, scalability, and most important, security.
- Do you understand the maturation process that all trends follow, and where the mainframe traditionally fits in that cycle? As a company, can you culturally and technically incorporate these trends when (not if) the business demands them? We'll discuss at some real life examples and the lessons learned, and review this week's high points as they apply to innovation.



IT Modernization My job - Make the project successful...



5 years on an international IBM SOA innovation team

Mostly on BPM customer projects

Worn many, many hats over the years

 Aerospace engineer, developer, sysprog, architect, product manager, professional services, marketing, etc.

Innovative has special challenges

- Budget allocations/process, territories, job roles, departmental boundaries, NIH mentality, DIY hazards
- Corporate attention span is short





Innovation: Topics

- Cloud Computing
- Big Data
- BYOD / Mobility
- Different perspectives of innovation maturation

Not a discussion of concepts nor technology nor value propositions nor products nor ...





Big Surprise!

INNOVATION IS NOT ABOUT TECHNOLOGY

Frame your discussions in business terms

Risk and Reward are important to the executives

- Define Success early in their terms
- Know who will win, who will lose and how are they motivated
- Prestige and paychecks





Innovation Challenges: Technobabble

Terminology

Good: produced by standards committees

Creates incomprehensible conversations

 No language to bridge the gap with untrained technical teams, executives or business





Data Center vs. Consumer

Built or Bought, IT still has to maintain it

- The end result
- The maintenance and licenses
- The management software
- The next release
- The security

Easy to implement a new technology to add to all the rest of the technologies you already manage





Beyond the Marketing and Benefits

Early projects bear a huge burden

- Design and architecture
- Tooling of life cycle
- Training and roles
- Policies and governance

Subsequent projects benefit from this foundation, reuse of services and flexible architecture, and so on

Benefits such as Agility, time to market, blah blah blah

but... it'll take 5 years, and the budget is what ???





Big Data Promises and Pitfalls

Does anyone remember...

Lies, Damn Lies, and Statistics

often attributed to Mark Twain

How about Executive Information Systems?

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lies,_damned_lies,_and_statistics http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Executive_information_system





Big Data Promises and Pitfalls

Promises

- Easy, timely data access integrated into existing processes
- Turn data into insight... but does insight turn into decisions?

Pitfalls

- 70% of time is spent on identification, cleansing, and integrating data
- Data quality
 - Compare numerical bank transactions to social media hits
- Still looking to support the answer (or lie) you want to find

http://www.businessweek.com/articles/2013-09-12/big-data-for-dummies-or-at-least-product-managers?campaign_id=otbrn.bw.tech http://www.businessweek.com/articles/2013-08-21/big-data-not-living-up-to-its-promise-change-the-way-you-work http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-hiltzik-20140307,0,3373375,full.column#axzz2vTVbg5JI





Data Quality is a Huge Issue

Faulty / misleading data replicates just as easy as good data

- Data doesn't have a dead date
- No automatic conflict resolution
- Data Broker Acxiom
 - Up to 30% of a person's profile information may be wrong at any given time since it is based on information from a variety of sources, including public records and surveys that may be incorrect or out of date.

http://money.cnn.com/2013/09/05/pf/acxiom-consumer-data/index.html?source=cnn_bin



Bring your own Device / Technology BYOD



Having a single device is very appealing

- Good news: "unparalleled freedom to work from anywhere"
- Bad news: "unparalleled freedom to work from anywhere"

Never underestimate the ability of your technical team to find a creative workaround in order to get a job done

http://techpageone.dell.com/technology/byod-adoption-rate-to-top-35-by-2016/#.UwoRD_ldXAT



Bring your own Device BYOD

Where is this headed?

- BYOD disconnecting from Mobility; Bring a Mobile Device Compliance, security issues
- \$5.5M average cost for security breach
- Hack an app, get access to other apps
 Hidden costs related to support, expenses and reimbursement

http://techpageone.dell.com/technology/byod-adoption-rate-to-top-35-by-2016/#.UwoRD_ldXAT http://www.cio.com/article/721478/2013 Prediction BYOD on the Decline





Along comes Cloud

Nebulous or conflicting perception

- Good: It can be everything you want
- Bad: definition is broad, muddied by claims
- Cloud-washing by vendors

Mainframe has been doing much of this for years...

If you don't believe Cloud is disruptive, start reseaching

zapthink.com/2012/03/03/bpm-in-the-cloud-disruptive-technology/ softwarestrategiesblog.com/2011/07/27/gartner-releases-theirhype-cycle-for-cloud-computing-2011/

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Consumer Mentality

What drives the Cloud hype?

- New ways to exploit technology with strong ROI
- We all remember Service Bureaus and Time Sharing
- Fundamental shift from 'Build it' to 'Buy it'
- Business capabilities are like a Utility
- LOB wants to be a Consumer





What if Cloud is just another platform?

Do you have a backout strategy if Cloud fails?

Can you move processes back in-house?

Vendor lock-in

 Conversion of industry tools to consumable services was never done

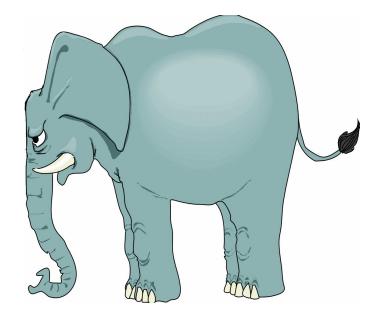
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What's Wrong with this Picture?

- Presenting Cloud as just another hardware platform
- Elephant in the room
 - Security
 - Licensing
 - Design
 - Skills
 - Commercial Models
 - Ownership



77% Executives believe cloud makes protecting privacy more difficult





Follow the money - Cloud

"IBM pledged to commit **\$1.2 billion** to significantly expand its global cloud footprint, beefing up its SoftLayer infrastructure and other components. Big Blue said the investment includes a network of cloud centers designed to bring clients greater flexibility, transparency and control over how they manage their data, run their business and deploy their IT operations locally in the cloud."



Mainframe Innovation vs. Innovation on the Mainframe



Pros

Long list: virtualization, reliability, security, etc.

Cons

- Single source for hardware, opsys, etc.
- Inaccessible to the casual user

Can Cloud make the mainframe a powerful engine for applications to support?

Truly hardware agnostic applications

http://www.ibmsystemsmag.com/mainframe/Business-Strategy/Business-Applications/shape_reshape/http://www.zdnet.com/ibm-as-a-service-cloud-pieces-fall-into-place-7000027039/



Innovations that can use Big Iron

Technology to watch

- The elusive computer that *learns*
 - Not the same as predictive analysis
- Cognitive computing is next

http://www.cnn.com/interactive/2013/12/tech/cnn10-ideas/?hpt=hp_t5 http://news.cnet.com/CA-builds-artificial-intelligence-into-software/2100-1001_3-239064.html

http://www.research.ibm.com/cognitive-computing/#fbid=wtbESfHZ0Yb





Wikipedia on Cognitive Computing

"A cognitive computer is a proposed computational device with a non-Von Neumann architecture that implements Hebbian learning. Instead of being programmable in a traditional sense within machine language or a higher level programming language such a device learns by inputting instances through an input device that are aggregated within a computational convolution or neural network architecture consisting of weights within a parallel memory system. An early instantiation of such a device has been developed in 2012 under the Darpa SyNAPSE program at IBM directed by Dharmendra Modha."





IBM on Cognitive Computing

"Cognitive computing systems learn and interact naturally with people to extend what either humans or machine could do on their own. They help human experts make better decisions by penetrating the complexity of Big Data."





Follow the money - Cognitive

"... IBM said it would invest more than **\$1 billion** into the Watson Group, focusing on development and research and bringing cloud-delivered cognitive applications and services to market. This will include the establishment of a \$100 million venture investment fund to support IBM's recently launched ecosystem of startups and businesses that are building a new class of cognitive apps powered by Watson, in the IBM Watson Developers Cloud."

http://www.zdnet.com/ibm-ceo-rometty-watson-cognitive-computing-mainstreaming-begins-7000024983/





Pundits: Gartner et al

Trends for both technologies and business concept

It's worth comparing year to year predictions

But I'm a technology person, why should I care? That stuff doesn't apply to me.



Gartner: Top 10 Strategic Technology Trends for 2014



Disruptive Technologies

- The Nexus of Forces mobile, social, cloud and information
- Once again, "bid goodbye to IT conventional wisdom"

http://www.gartner.com/technology/research/top-10-technology-trends/





Gartner's Hype Cycle

Describes a potential acceptance of new technologies Idea evolves and matures

- Focuses on early implementation
- Not a cycle, since it never repeats

Generates intense discussion and speculation

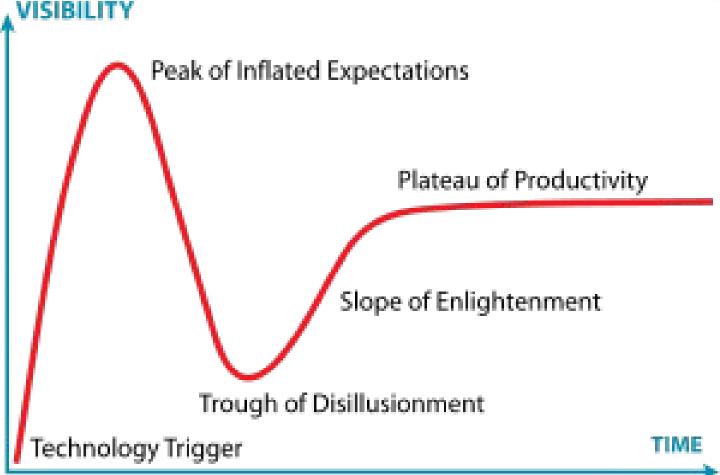
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Gartner Hype Cycle

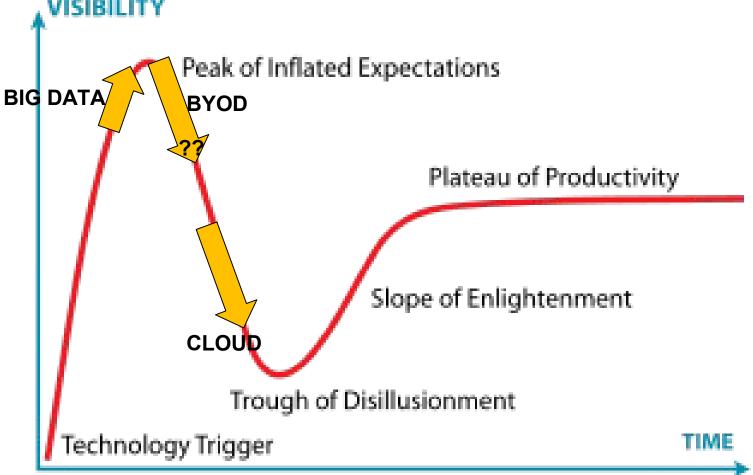




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Gartner Hype Cycle 2012-2013





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Where is Cloud now?

Peaked and heading down into the Trough

- Lots of Cloud-washing by vendors
- Confusion due to too broad a category
- Outages such as Amazon are very revealing
- Off-the-charts complexity

Gartner's report was 75 pages on 34 technologies

businesscloud9.com/content/axway-and-what-analysts-think/10859



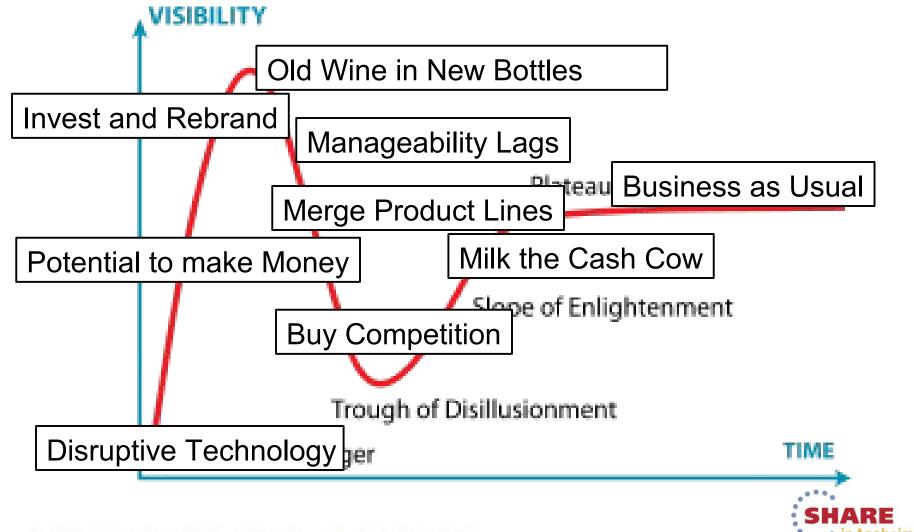
CEO View of Hype Cycle





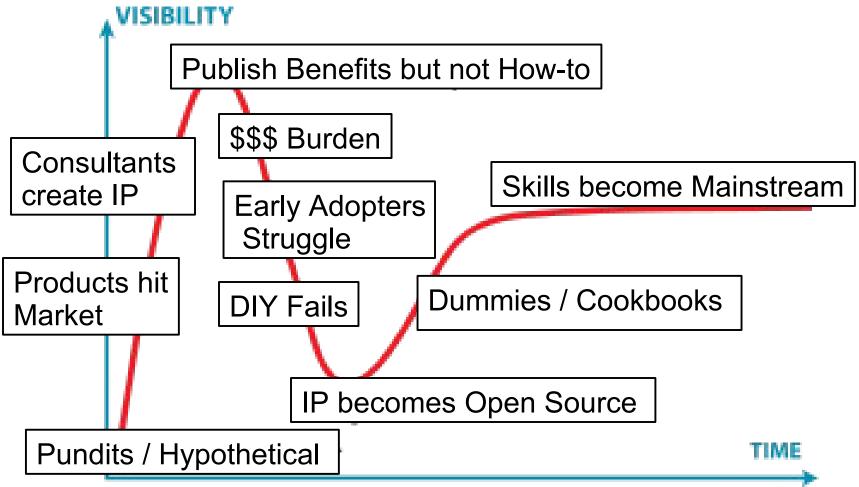
Vendor's View Hype Cycle





Knowledge Hype Cycle







Innovation: Wag the Dog

Thank You!



