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innovation

IT AIN'T DONE

We state openly that this book is far from complete. It was created primarily as an internal reference for individuals developing the Innovation concept map. Not only must we continue to search for new—and existing—models of innovation, we must also reexamine and revise the classification of models that have already been included. Any insight or suggestion for the continued development of this book is welcomed.

Introduction

Innovation is the application of an insight that creates new value, improves upon the status quo, and becomes widely adopted for the benefit of society.

Innovation occurs in different environments, initiated by different organizations at different times. The innovation's purpose and measure of success depends on the goal of the innovators and the needs that the innovation addresses.

This document compiles models of innovation that various individuals and organizations have articulated over the years. It contains six sections corresponding to the circumstances surrounding innovation: How, Who, What, When, Where, and Why. The models span from taxonomies to flow diagrams of proposed innovation processes. The Why section currently does not have any models. This vacancy invites us to consider the motivations behind innovations and to put to paper the reasons why we desire applications of new ideas. This book was prepared for the Institute for the Creative Process, Alberta College of Art and Design by Dubberly Design Office. It accompanies a concept map of Innovation. Both the book and the concept map are for individuals and organizations that are intrigued by innovation and the desire to create new value through the applications of insight.

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How Who What When Where Why

innovation

| through a process | |
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| in which anyone can participate | |
| changing beliefs, processes, artifacts | |
| at anytime | 42 |
| within a community | |
| to create advantage | |

How does innovation happen?

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In the context of a community, observation (of customers, technology, laws) leads to insight (the joining of two or more formerly separate ideas) to create an effect (value—knowledge, culture, wealth) with consequences for the community (spreading adoption) Parallels design, engineering, and R&D processes Contrasts with TQM and Six Sigma practices (You can't measure your way to innovation)

Product Development Process

after Fey and Rivin (2005)

New products originate from new concepts. Victor R. Fey and Eugene I. Rivin, co-founders of the TRIZ Group, state that the product development process begins with the recognition of a need that leads to a defined problem. Concepts are then generated, evaluated, and developed by tests and prototypes. These phases of concept development and concept verification then enable the design process.



Continuous Process of Technology Development

after McKinsey & Company

Stage models often depict the evolution of an idea into a concept that becomes a commercialized or applied product. McKinsey & Company's stage model, derived from consulting, begins with market research that leads to planning research, conducting research, applying knowhow, and continuously improving on the outcomes.



Simple Value Chain

after Geoffrey A. Moore (2005)

In his Simple Value Chain, Geoffrey A. Moore includes the steps of Research, Design, Source, Make, Market, Sell, and Service. These functions combine and link together to create a market. Moore proposes that even such a basic model differs in the way it applies to different business architectures, such as the Complex-Systems Model (pg. 37) and the Volume-Operations Model (pg. 38).

| Value chain elements | Complex systems | Volume operations |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Research | Qualitative scenarios | Quantitative analytics |
| Design | Integration of modules | Modules that integrate |
| Source | At the margin | At the mean |
| Manufacture | Adaptive methodologies | Deterministic processes |
| Market | Value chain orchestration | Branding and promotion |
| Sell | High-touch persuasion | Low-touch distribution |
| Service | Open-ended consultations | Close-ended transactions |

Innovation

after Allan Afuah (2002)

Allan Afuah, a professor in Corporate Strategy and International Business at the University of Michigan Business School, defines innovation as "the use of new technological and market knowledge to offer a new product or service that customers will want." New technological and market knowledge is used to create a product that costs less, has improved attributes, has new attributes, and has not previously existed in the market.



Process for Generating Breakthrough Innovation

after GE and Stone Yamashita Partners (2005)

After their collaboration on The World's Largest Innovation Lab, General Electric and Stone Yamashita Partners proposed an eight-step process for generating innovation. The eight steps are Explore, Immerse, Ideate, Envision, Hypothesize, Design, Refine, and Market. Individuals proceed through each stage by asking questions, prototyping, and filtering information and assumptions.

In order to generate breakthrough innovation

Explore the world at large and open your mind to new possibilities Immerse yourself in the lives of your customers Ideate about how to challenge the status quo Envision a breakthrough way to improve people's lives Hypothesize a thoughtful, creative strategy and business model Design the customer experience and supporting business model Refine the design to make it truly breakthrough Market your innovation to realize its full potential

Proceed through each stage of the process by ...

| Asking | Come up with the ideas that will challenge the |
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| | status quo by asking the right questions. |
| Prototyping | Make the ideas more real—at any stage in the |
| | process—so that they can be experienced, |
| | evaluated, improved, or reconsidered. |
| Filtering | Challenge assumptions and conclusions to draw |
| | out the breakthrough from the banal. |

| Explore | Immerse | ldeate | Envision | Hypothesize | Design | Refine | Market |
|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| Speaker sessions Haven for exploration and radical thinking Exploration of other cultures and organizations | Ethnography Interview | Brainstorming Future customer journey | Customer journey map | Strategic hypothesis map | | | |
| Trend debates | Customer archetype | Prototype | Story, "headline from the future" | Map system Operations mapping | Mock-up | Rehearsal | |
| Team Wiki | Map of organiza- tional competencies and assets | Sketch of favorite ideas | Role-play Storyboard | Roadmap of obstacles and strategies "Stop, start, continue" exercise | Scale model | Alpha version | Pre-production prototype |
| Prototype | Map of competitive landscape | Extreme debate Best-practice | Team Wiki | Business plan, project plan, budget | Blueprint | Beta version | Concept model |
| Data cards | | observation | | | Process map | Open source product Pilot project | Scenario forecast Pre-personalization sample Living lab |
| | | | | | Technical specifications CAD Speed dating (multi-disciplinary dialogue) | | Feedback loop Customer advocacy group |

Innovation Planning Process

after Vijay Kumar of Doblin Group

Vijay Kumar of Doblin Group, an innovation strategy firm based in Chicago, articulated his Innovation Planning Process, which consists of sensing intent, researching context and users, analyzing insights, synthesizing concepts, delivering offerings, and fostering uptake. He proposed that, to innovate successfully, companies need an "innovation planning process, supported by structured methods, tools, and frameworks" that integrate multidisciplinary teams and multiple specialty areas. Kumar emphasized that these phases do not take place in a specified order.



Abstract

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Innovation Planning Toolkit

after Vijay Kumar of Doblin Group

Kumar's Innovation Planning Toolkit contains a set of activities for each mode of the Innovation Planning Process. Tools such as context maps, scenario plans, and concept prototypes offer ways for organizations to develop and apply their ideas.

Sense intent

Trend map Diagnostic system Concept space

Know users Research plan Video/Photo research User camera study Ethnographic interview User insights database Five human factors

Experience map

Know context Context map Eras map Value web Innovation map

Frame insights User data analysis Context data analysis List sorting Flow, experience model System simulation Analytic frameworks

alysis Concept definition analysis Concept matrix, map Concept ence systemizer Scenario plan lation Concept manager

Explore concepts

nts Make plans ion Strategic roadmap map Innovation brief Strategic plan Tactical plan Business case

Realize offerings

Behavioral prototype Concept prototype Pilot and launch plan Change plan

Innovation Cycle

after Sheridan M. Tatsuno (1990)

Sheridan Tatsuno takes a Zen approach to innovation in his Innovation Cycle. His "Mandala of Creativity" traces the life cycle of ideas, where old ideas do not die but are instead reused with new developments. The cycle includes phases of searching for ideas, nurturing them, and finding appropriate ways to recycle them. Tatsuno founded NeoConcepts, a company that specializes in new product development.



Foresight to Insight to Action Process

after Bob Johansen of Institute for the Future

The Institute for the Future, located in Palo Alto, California, researches the impact of technology on society. Its mantra is "Foresight to insight to action"—the idea of understand-ing knowledge about the future to brainstorm new pos-

sibilities and channel them to action. The purpose is not to predict the future, but rather to make a difference in the present through linear progression of thinking and understanding.

| Situation | Conceived through | Description |
|--------------------|-------------------|---|
| Verifiable present | Observation | What you have |
| Probable future | Foresight | What you are likely to get if things are left as they are |
| Possible future | Insight | What you might get by applying resources |
| Desireable future | Action | The best possible outcome, what you should work for |

Who innovates?

in which anyone can participate People in business or non-profit organizations, from the arts to the sciences

In any role, for example, customers, researchers, designers, management, labor, suppliers

In any domain, from education and healthcare to religion and the military

People who innovate are entrepreneurs

Motivation/Ability Framework

after Christiansen et al. (2004)

The Motivation/Ability Framework has two axes: Motivation, the "pot of gold waiting for the winners," and Ability, the "capability to obtain resources, craft them into a business model, and offer products and services to customers." The axes have scales measuring each factor from low to high, and depending on the amount of each available in the market environment, indicates the likelihood of innovation in the market.

| Generally determined by Market size/growth Competitive dynamics/ industry attractiveness Economics of opportunity/ business model attractiveness Competitive forces | ation High | Looking for a target Firms constrained in accessing resources or reaching potential customers | The Hotbed Teeming with innovation | |
|--|----------------|---|---|------|
| Government levers - Tax treatment (credit, subsidies, etc.) - Antitrust policy - Competitive policy - Rate regulation - Regulatory asymmetry - Network element pricing | Low Motivation | The Dilemma No readily available avenues to create profitable businesses | Looking for the money Firms struggle to find ways to monetize an opportunity | |
| | | Low Abi | lity | High |

Generally determined by

- Resource availability
- Standards
- Market access
- Industry developments

Government levers

- Resource-related regulation
- Unbundling
- Standards

9 Innovation Archetypes

after GE and Stone Yamashita Partners (2005)

In their collaboration with GE, Stone Yamashita Partners identified nine innovation "archetypes" that they felt were important in a team working toward innovation. They believe that different archetypes can work off of each others' ideas and together reach the goal of innovation. The archetypes cover a spectrum of skills, from idea generating and research to communication and roadblockremoval.

| | Archetype | Description |
|---|--------------------------------|--|
| 1 | The Generator | The generator of the idea that gets an innovation rolling. |
| 2 | The Iterator | An idea-engineer who takes the original idea and turns it into an innovation. |
| 3 | The Tech Guru | The harnesser of technology to turn the innovation into reality. |
| 4 | The Customer Anthropologist | The keen observer of what customers truly hunger for. |
| 5 | The Producer | The champion of flow. The master of moving ideas along. |
| 6 | The Visionary | The force behind creating the world as it could be—and should be. |
| 7 | The Communicator | Amplifies and clarifies the idea in the minds of others outside the team. |
| 8 | The Roadblock Remover | With a hammer—or with velvet gloves—knocks away organization, political, and financial roadblocks. |
| 9 | The Futurecaster | Forecaster and modeler of the economic and social value of the future innovation. |

10 Faces of Innovation

after Tom Kelley of IDEO (2005)

Teams at IDEO, a design consultancy based in Palo Alto, strive to include a variety of individuals. Tom Kelley, general manager of IDEO, identified 10 "faces" that he says contribute to the IDEO innovation process. The 10 "faces" fall into categories of Learning, Organizing, and Building. Each individual has a set of skills that he or she brings to the team and furthers the IDEO design process.

Learning

| 1 | The Anthropologist | Brings new learning and insights into the organization by observing human behavior and developing a deep understanding of how people interact physically and emotionally with products, services, and spaces. |
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| 2 | The Experimenter | Prototypes new ideas continuously, learning by a process of enlightened trial and error. |
| 3 | The Cross-Pollinator | Explores other industries and cultures, then translates those findings and revelations to fit the unique needs of the enterprise. |
| | Organizing | |
| 4 | The Hurdler | Knows the path to innovation is strewn with obstacles and develops a knack for overcoming or outsmarting those roadblocks. |
| 5 | The Collaborator | Helps bring eclectic groups together, and often leads from the middle of the pack to create new combinations and multidisciplinary solutions. |
| 6 | The Director | Not only gathers together a talented cast and crew but also helps to spark their creative talents. |
| | Building | |
| 7 | The Experience Architect | Designs compelling experiences that go beyond mere functionality to connect at a deeper level with customers' latent or expressed needs. |
| 8 | The Set Designer | Creates a stage on which innovation team members can do their best work, transforming physical environments into powerful tools to influence behavior and attitude. |
| 9 | The Caregiver | Builds on the metaphor of a health care professional to deliver customer care in a manner that goes beyond mere service. |
| 10 | The Storyteller | Builds both internal morale and external awareness through compelling narratives that communicate a fundamental human value or reinforce a specific cultural trait. |

What is innovated?

resets goals, reframes problems, revises points-of-view, improves effectiveness (not focused on efficiency)

changing beliefs, processes, artifacts Products, services, theories, cultural expressions (art)

All aspects of business: research, development, design, manufacturing, distribution and supply, legal, finance, even raw materials

7 Sources of Innovation

after Peter F. Drucker (1985)

Peter F. Drucker, a writer and thinker on issues related to management and entrepreneurship, wrote that sources of innovation come from either within enterprises or industries or outside of them. He said that an enterprise can be a business or a public-service institution. Opportunities for innovation can come from events, needs, or changes in demographics and knowledge base.

Systematic innovation requires monitoring seven sources for innovative opportunity.

Sources within the enterprise, whether business or public-service institution, or within an industry or service sector:

- 1 **The unexpected**—the unexpected success, the unexpected failure, the unexpected outside event
- 2 The incongruity—between reality as it actually is and reality as it is assumed to be or as it "ought to be"
- 3 Innovation based on process need
- 4 Changes in industry and market structures that catch everyone unawares

Sources that involve changes outside the enterprise or industry:

- 5 **Demographics** (population changes)
- 6 Changes in perception, mood, and meaning
- 7 New knowledge, both scientific and nonscientific

5 Innovation Patterns

after Goldenberg at al. (2003)

The innovation patterns of Goldenberg et al. manipulate existing components of a product and its immediate environment to come up with something ingenious and viable. Similar to the way ideas can be recycled and reused, these innovation patterns add or subtract components of a product to create innovative objects.

1 Attribute dependency

The attribute dependency pattern alters or creates the dependent relationships between a product and its environment.

2 Division

The division pattern divides an existing product into its component parts so that you can see something that was an integrated whole in an entirely different light.

3 Multiplication

The multiplication pattern makes one or more copies of an existing component, then alters those copies in some important way.

4 Subtraction

The subtraction pattern works by removing product components, particularly those that seem desirable or indispensable.

5 Task unification

The task unification pattern assigns a new task to an existing product element or environmental attribute, thereby unifying two tasks in a single component.

Examples

By creating a dependent relationship between lens color and external lighting conditions, eyeglass developers came up with a lens that changes color when exposed to sunlight.

The modern home stereo has modular speakers, tuners, and CD and tape players, which allow users to customize their sound systems.

The Gillette double-bladed razor features a second blade that cuts whiskers at a slightly different angle.

A highchair attaches to a kitchen table as a legless incarnation of the original model.

The defrosting filament in an automobile windshield also serves as a radio antenna.

Functional Sources of Innovation

after Eric von Hippel (1988)

Functional sources answer the question of where innovations come from: Do they come from within the firm or from outside the firm? If from within, where exactly within the firm? Functional sources of innovation given by von Hippel include 1) a firm's own internal value chain functions; 2) its external value-added chain of suppliers, customers, and complementary innovators; 3) university, government, and private laboratories; 4) competitors and related industries; and 5) other nations or regions.





Political/legal Globalization

Value-Added Chain

after Allan Afuah (2002)

An innovation "has implications not only for the firm but also for its suppliers, customers, and complementary innovators." Afuah models the value-added chain using several examples, tracking the innovation (incremental to radical) that is added by each market player.



Model of Innovation

after Gary Hamel (2000)

According to Gary Hamel, founder of the consulting firm Strategos, the unit of analysis for innovation is a business concept. He emphasized the building of a business model around a new idea in order to yield measurable results. The model below shows the components of a business model, including core strategy and strategic resources. Hamel stated that, for an organization to be innovative, its members must set high expectations, be open to new ideas, and work for a cause that reaches beyond a simple business goal.

Business Concept / Model Components:

| | Customer Benefits | | Configuration of Activities | S | Company Boundaries | |
|---|-------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|--------------------|---|
| <i>Customer Interface</i> Fulfillment & Support Information & Insight Relationship Dynamics Pricing Structure | | <i>Core Strategy</i> Business Mission Product / Market Scope Basis for Differentiation | | Strategic Resources Core Competencies Strategic Assets Core Processes | | <i>Value Network</i> Suppliers Partners Coalitions |
| Wealth Potential: | | | | | | |
| | Efficient | Unique | Fit | Profit Boosters Increasing Returns - Network Effects - Positive Feedback Effect - Learning Effects Competitor Lock-out - Preemption - Choke Points - Customer Lock-in Strategic Economies - Scale | 5 | |
| | | | | - Focus - Scope | | |
| 34 | | | | Strategic Flexibility - Portfolio Breadth - Operating Agility - Lower Breakeven | | |

Strategic Innovation Process Model

after Allan Afuah (2002)

In order to achieve its goals, a firm, according to Afuah, scans its environment and other sources of innovation for opportunities and threats to exploit. After analysis of its ability to exploit those opportunities and threats, the firm devises business and innovation strategies that drive the firm toward its goals.



Profit Chain

after Allan Afuah (2002)

The profit chain model shows how a firm uses new knowledge to offer new products or services at a lower cost than its competitors, or to offer differentiated products at premium prices that more than compensate for the extra cost of differentiation. A firm relies on its capabilities to use the available knowledge for productive purposes.


Complex-Systems Model

after Geoffrey A. Moore (2005)

In Moore's Complex-Systems Model, vendors seek to grow their customer base, with no more than a handful of transactions per customer per year, but with a very high average transaction price. It is organized around a small number of target customers making large but infrequent purchases. Firms provide consulting and integration services and align their offerings to a given market segment's needs. Businesses with the Complex-Systems Model include Boeing, Goldman Sachs, and IBM.



Volume-Operations Model

after Geoffrey A. Moore (2005)

In Moore's Volume-Operations Model, vendors seek to enlarge their customer base, with consumers carrying out many transactions per year at an average price of a few dollars per transaction. Customers are not the focal point in the Volume-Operations Model. The focus is the means of production that can generate differentiated offerings of high volumes at low cost. Businesses of this type include Dell, Nike, and Verizon.



Innovation as Invention Widely Distributed

after Chris Conley (2006)

Chris Conley, Associate Professor at Illinois Institute of Technology's Institute of Design, laid out innovation in a matrix bordered by "Quality of invention" and "Extent of diffusion." Quality of invention and extent of diffusion are not necessarily measured in discrete units. In addition, there are inventions of poor quality that are widely adopted, as well as inventions of good quality that are not widely adopted. To be considered an innovation, an invention must be of good quality and have a wide extent of diffusion.

| invention Good | A good idea, but not widely adopted, e.g., the wheel in pre-Columbian Mesoamerica | Innovation: A good idea, widely adopted, e.g., perspective, electric lighting |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| Poor Quality of invention | A poor idea that never went anywhere, e.g., Tesla's notion of transmitting electricity through the air | A poor idea widely adopted, e.g., arguably VHS was lower quality than Betamax; Lysenko's promotion of vernalization (chilling seeds) in Soviet agriculture |
| ₽_ | Narrow Extent of | diffusion Wide |
| | Narrow Extent of | diffusion Wide |

10 Types of Innovation

after Vijay Kumar of Doblin Group

The Doblin Group established 10 types of innovation that each falls into one of four categories: finance, process, offering, and delivery. Each category focuses on a different aspect of the business: increasing revenue, supporting existing and new processes, designing offerings, and improving interactions with consumers.

Finance

- 1
 Business model– How you make money
 Dell revolutionized the personal computer business model by collecting money before the consumer's PC was even assembled and shipped (resulting in net positive working capital of seven to eight days).
- 2 Networks and alliances– How you join forces with other companies for mutual benefit
 Consumer goods company Sara Lee realized that its core competencies were in consumer insight, brand management, marketing, and distribution. Thus it divested itself of a majority of its manufacturing operations and formed alliances with manufacturing and supply chain partners.

Process

- Enabling process–
 How you support the company's core processes and workers
 Starbucks can deliver its profitable store/coffee experience to customers because it offers better-than-market compensation and employment benefits to its store workers—usually part-time, educated, professional, and responsive people.
- 4 Core processes-How you create and add value to your offerings
 Wal-Mart continues to grow profitably through core process innovations such as realtime inventory management systems, aggressive volume/pricing/delivery contracts with merchandise providers, and systems that give store managers the ability to identify changing buyer behaviors and respond quickly with new pricing and merchandising configurations.

Offerings

- The VW Beetle (in both its original and its newest form) took the market by storm, 5 Product performance-How you design your core combining multiple dimensions of product performance. offerings
- 6 Product system-How you link and/or provide a platform for multiple products

An international flight on any airlines will get you to your intended designation. A flight on Singapore Airlines, however, nearly makes you forget that you are flying at all, with the How you provide value to most attentive, respectful, and pampering pre-flight, in-flight and post-flight services you customers and consumers beyond and around your can imagine.

a system designed to deliver productivity in the workplace.

Microsoft Office bundles a variety of specific products (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, etc.) into

Delivery

products

7 Service-

- 8 Channel-Legal problems aside, Martha Stewart has developed such a deep understanding of her How you get your customers that she knows just where to be (stores, TV shows, magazines, online, etc.) offerings to market to drive huge sales volumes from a relatively small set of "home living" educational and product offerings.
- 9 Brand-How you communicate your offerings

10 Customer experience-

Harley Davidson has created a worldwide community of millions of customers, many

How your customers feel when they interact with your company and its offerings

of whom would describe "being a Harley Davidson owner" as a part of how they fundamentally see, think, and feel about themselves.

Absolut conquered the vodka category on the strength of a brilliant "theme and variations" advertising concept, strong bottle and packaging design, and a whiff of Nordic authenticity.

When does innovation arise?

at anytime (change brings more change) Throughout the life of a community or organization

Throughout the life of a discipline (an art or science)

Before a market exists, when a market is young, when a market is mature, when a market is in decline

Technology Development Eras

after Joseph Schumpeter

Austrian economist Joseph Schumpeter described technological developments in terms of "waves of innovation," where each wave brings the beginning and end of a new economy. The model suggests we consider the following: 1) how new technologies replace older ones and how we represent that phenomenon; 2) the large-scale technological trends that define social, business, and technology history; 3) what the next big trend might be, given that it has probably already begun even if we have not identified it; and 4) the time that passes between the invention of a technology and its widespread application.



Utterback-Abernathy Model

after Abernathy and Utterback (1978)

William Abernathy and James Utterback proposed that successful organizations invest heavily in product R&D early in the product maturing period and shift investment to process technology as time passes. As the dominant design of a new product emerges, organizations focus on minimizing cost rather than varying product features. In their model the rate of innovation is high for product innovation in the beginning of product maturity and gradually declines, while the rate of process innovation increases midway into product maturity.



| Innovation | Information on users' needs and | Opportunities created by expand- | Pressure to reduce cost and |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
| stimulated by | users' technical inputs | ing internal technical capability | improve quality |
| Predominant type of innovation | Frequent major changes in products | Major process changes required by raising volume | Incremental changes with cumulative improvement in productivity and quality |

Eras of Technological Innovation

after Institute for the Future (2005)

The IFTF developed a framework relating innovations and the societal trends that result from them. The framework separates roughly the last 20 years into three eras of innovation, each of which occurs when "a technology begins to influence and change society in a fundamental way."



Category-Maturity Life Cycle

after Geoffrey A. Moore (2005)

The Category-Maturity Life Cycle encompasses a market from the time a technology is adopted to the time it meets its "end of life." It begins with the Technology Adoption Life Cycle, continues to the Growth Market where it experiences rapid growth, proceeds through the Mature Market phase of indefinite length, and passes through a Declining Market into End of Life. According to Moore, this last phase is the "classic time to take a company private" or to merge with other firms to take advantage of emerging opportunities.



Technology-Adoption Life Cycle

after Geoffrey A. Moore (2005)

At the beginning of the Category-Maturity Life Cycle, a technology must go through the Adoption Life Cycle. The metaphors that Moore uses represent each phase: Early Market describes the period when the disruptive technology is new and is being explored; the Chasm represents the period when it has lost its novelty but has not yet been fully accepted; after the Chasm is crossed, the Life Cycle enters the Bowling Alley phase, where one by one, like pins in a bowling alley, niches begin adopting the technology; then, like a Tornado, the new technology takes the main market by storm, until finally it becomes a commonly used and adopted technology and situates itself along Main Street of technology.



Underlying Drivers in Growth Markets

after Geoffrey A. Moore (2005)

Consumers respond differently to new technology. Moore divides those responses into five types, ranging from the Techies with their "Just try it!" attitude to the Skeptics with

their motto of "Just say no!" Each category and technology represents a new opportunity for consumers to respond differently from a previous technology.



14 Types of Innovation

after Geoffrey A. Moore (2005)

While disruptive innovation is the most immediately recalled type of innovation, Moore argues that there are more types of innovation that occur along the category-maturity life cycle. He divides the category life cycle into four zones: product leadership zone, customer intimacy zone, operational excellence zone, and category renewal zone. Each zone offers opportunities for firms to innovate based on the maturity stage of their technology.

Product leadership zone

| 1 | Disruptive | Creates new market categories based on a discontinuous technology change or a disruptive business model. | Oracle created a portable database that ran on many different computers and offered easy reporting. |
|---|-------------------|---|---|
| 2 | Application | Develops new markets for existing products by finding unexploited uses for them, often by combining them in novel ways. | An entrepreneur took World War II synthetic rubber to market as a toy called Silly Putty. |
| 3 | Product | Focuses on existing markets for existing products, differentiating through features and function that current offers do not have. | Applied Materials introduced a multi-chamber semiconductor manufacturing device that integrated multiple steps of water fabrication within a single environment. |
| 4 | Platform | Interposes a simplifying layer to mask an underlying legacy of complexity and complication, thereby freeing a next generation of offers to focus on new value propositions. | Sony's video game machines provide a platform for independent developers. |
| | Customer intimacy | | |
| 5 | Line-extension | Makes structural modifications to an established offer to create a distinctive subcategory. | Tylenol branched out from pain killers to products for allergy and sinus, cold, arthritis, and other ailments. |
| 6 | Enhancement | Continues the trajectory begun by line extensions, driving innovation into finer elements of detail, getting closer to the surface of the offer with less impact on the underlying infrastructure. | Kimberly Clark and Procter & Gamble have dominated the disposable diaper categories by adding to their products tape, Z fold, and elastic to increase convenience. |
| 7 | Marketing | Focuses on differentiating the interaction with a prospective customer during the purchase process. | Avon developed a sales channel with their "Avon calling" campaign in the 1950s. |
| 8 | Experiential | Bases value not on differentiating the functionality but rather the experience of the offering. | Cirque du Soleil redefined the notion of circus with its visual and philosophical productions. |

Operational excellence

| 9 Value-engineering | Extracts cost from the materials and manufacturing of an established offer without changing its external properties. | Southwest built a fleet with a single standard plane, simplified pricing and seat selection, and focused on point- to-point round-trip itineraries to reduce costs. |
|---------------------|---|--|
| 10 Integration | Reduces the customer's cost of maintaining a complex operation by integrating its many disparate elements into a single centrally managed system. | LEGOS sold its plastic bricks at a premium by marketing them in kits that integrated into toys. |
| 11 Process | Focuses on improving profit margins by extracting waste not from the offer itself but from the enabling processes that produce it. | McDonald's engineers every process, from procuring and cooking to hiring, training, and terminating. |
| Category renewal | | |
| 12 Value-migration | Redirects the business model away from a commoditizing element in the market's value chain toward one richer in margins. | Wal-Mart migrated power from branded consumer goods to high-volume discount retailer. It reduced costs with industry-standard bar codes and RFID-enabled inventory tracking. |
| 13 Organic | Uses internal resources to reposition itself into a growth category. | Nokia, formerly of paper and pulp products, rubber manufacturing, and cable, entered the electronics sector with coaxial cable for computer networks. |
| 14 Acquisition | Solves problem of category renewal externally through merger and acquisition. | Gateway acquired eMachines, the low-cost leader in retail PCs, and allowed their management to control the company and improve its operating efficiency. |

Core-Concept Analysis Framework

after Geoffrey A. Moore (2005)

Moore's core-context analysis framework analyzes how resources should be allocated between core development and context development. While the core is the essence of a firm that helps it distinguish itself from its competitors, the context is the aspect that brings in revenue. Therefore funneling resources from context development to core development to create differentiation presents a risk for a firm. Moore believes that innovation is most likely to occur when resources are allocated to core development while still maintaining competitive differentiation.

| | Core Process creates differentiation that wins customers | Context All other processes | |
|---|---|---|----|
| Mission-Critical Process shortfall creates serious and immediate risk | Processes which create a distinct competitive advantage and carry the greatest risk and reward, e.g., next generation product line, new marketing campaign, entering new market | Processes which are critical to success, but do not differentiate a company from its competitors, e.g., financial transactions, employment agreements, computer security | NG |
| Non-Mission-Critial All other processes | Processes which focus on the core offering, but are contained to minimize risk, e.g., R&D, pilot projects, laboratory experiments | Processes which no longer require intensive management, and can be offloaded or outsourced, e.g., quality control, statistical process control, and service-level agreements | 5 |

Differentiation

Cycle of Innovation

after Geoffrey A. Moore (2005)

The Cycle of Innovation follows the flow of resources from beginning and maturation to decline of an innovation. According to Moore, innovation begins in the non-mission-critical quadrant of the core development half of the framework. Once the innovation is ready for deployment, more resources are poured in to bring it to market. As the innovation matures, resources shift to maintaining differentiation of the technology by improving the development process. The last phase of the cycle, before beginning anew, is that of repurposing resources for the generation of another innovation.



Fund next innovation

Lead User Curve

after von Hippel et al. (1999)

The Lead User Curve maps market trends as the change in the number of people who use a particular product over time. When there is a need for a product, lead users create solutions. As time passes, commercial products of those solutions become available, and early adopters begin to feel the same need for the product. This increases the number of people who need and adopt the product. As more time passes the routine users also come to need and adopt those products, causing the market trend to stabilize.



Time

S-Curve

after Richard N. Foster (1986)

Richard N. Foster was a director at McKinsey & Company management consulting firm when he published his theory on the S-curve. The S-curve shows the relationship between the amount of effort put into improving a product or process and the results one gets back from that investment. The technological progress starts at infancy, proceeds through a period of explosive return on investment, and then gradually enters maturation by tapering off to a stable level of performance.



Effort (funds)

Where does innovation occur?

within a community (not alone) An organization, a discipline, a business, a market, a polis (at all levels)

An organization, a discipline, a business, a market, a polis (at all levels) in a value system (with its deterrents and rewards and tolerance for risk) in a mythos (e.g., the myth of progress) in a language (e.g., English, the argot of engineers, the patois of IBM, the slang of surfers)

3 Levels of Innovation

after Parrish Hanna (2006)

A user experience designer who has worked for IBM and has consulted with Samsung, Parrish Hanna developed a tri-level model of innovation. He said that companies "achieve tactical product innovation, [foster] strategic (game-changing) innovation, and build a culture to nurture and sustain innovation." The model outlines the contexts in which organizations innovate.

culture to nurture, sustain innovation

strategic (game-changing) innovation

tactical product innovation

Innovation Types

after Govindarajan and Trimble (2005)

Govindarajan and Trimble define four types of innovation, all of which differ in the expense of a single experiment, the length of each experiment, and the ambiguity of results. The differences between the innovation types influence such issues as who should lead or participate in an innovation, how much resources to allocate, how to assess progress, and when to end the development process.



3 Orders of Creativity

after Michael Geoghegan (2002)

In his conversation with Paul Pangaro about language and the ability of organizations to change and regenerate, Michael Geoghegan delineated three orders of creativity: invention, discovery, and efficiency. In the invention phase, change arises out of new language and resources that are used to recognize invention. In the discovery phase, change results from finding new ways to create value in the form of products and services. In the efficiency phase, change comes from developing more efficient ways to make those new products and services.



They provide resources to recognize invention, which opens up new domains of language. In these new domains, profitable discoveries may be made. They provide the necessary conditions for discovering and marketing products and services that emerge from these new domains. Then, they develop more cost-effective ways of producing and delivering these new products and services.

3 Orders of Change

after Michael Geoghegan (2002)

Geoghegan identified change as a way to define new elements, whether they be domains, systems, or efficiencies. Change, according to Geoghegan, takes place only in the context of what does not change. These orders of change correlate with the orders of creativity (invention, discovery, and efficiency) and ultimately affect the efficiency of a system in a new domain.



Value Chain Evolution Theory

after Christensen et al. (2004)

The Value Chain Theory suggests that companies should integrate vertically to control activities within the value chain that drive performance along dimensions most important to customers. Integrating gives companies the ability to expand their capabilities. At the same time, unpredictable "interdependencies" can frustrate firms that try to focus on a single piece of a product's or service's value chain.



Time

Company improvement trajectory

Steep scale; highly differentiable

Design/assembly makes the money

Beat competitors with speed, responsivness and customization

Customer demand trajectory

Flat scale; low differentiability

Ability to make money migrates to subsystems and the back end

Beat competitors with functionality

Disruptive Innovation Theory

after Christensen and Raynor (2003)

Disruptive innovation theory proposes that, initially, disruptive innovation is not good enough to meet the performance requirements of the core market. Disruptive innovators, however, aggressively move up-market through constant improvement to pursue more attractive profit margins, ultimately meeting the needs of competitors' customers and increasing market share.



R&D Strategy for Customer-Centric Innovation

after Larry Selden and Ian C. MacMillan (2006)

Customer-centric innovation (CCI) was designed to deliver results that met or exceeded market expectations. Selden and MacMillan describe the process as focusing on sustained and profitable top-line growth, which in turn raises market capitalization. CCI centers around customer R&D that gathers information about companies' customers, what their needs and wants are, and how the companies can earn more market share by developing new products for existing customers or extending the customer-base.

| Phase 3a Stretch capabilities | Phase 2a Extend capabilities | Phase 1 Establish and develop the core | Phase 2b Extend segments | Phase 3b Stretch segments |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| | | Offensive | | |
| Identify new capabili- ties that attend to needs in other life capsules of the existing segments, subseg- ments, or new halos. | Extend existing capabili- ties to attend to additional needs of the core segments and subsegments. | Identify core customer segments and develop mutually beneficial value propositions that exceed the buyers' expectations. | Identify halo segments that are similar to core customers and that can be served with very similar capabilities | Identify new segments unrelated to the core, but where current capabilities can be deployed. |
| | Defensive | | | |
| Pay close attention to disruption threats from competitors: scan for indications of shifts in customers' needs or growing dissatis- | | | | |

Pay close attention to disruption threats from competitors; scan for indications of shifts in customers' needs or growing dissatisfaction with the value propositions on the market.

Resources, Processes, and Values Theory

after Christensen (1997)

The theory of resources, processes, and values states that those three elements define a firm's strengths as well as weaknesses and blind spots. Resources (what a firm has), processes (how a firm works), and values (what a firm wants to do) enable a firm to respond to sustaining innovations. They do not, however, prepare a firm to adequately respond to an unexpected disruptive innovation.

| | Resources | Processes | Values |
|-------------|--|---|---|
| Description | Things or assets that organizations can buy or sell, build or destroy. | Established ways companies turn resources into products or services. | The criteria by which prioritization decisions are made. |
| Examples | People Technology Products Equipment Information Cash Brand Distribution channels | Hiring and training Product development Manufacturing Planning and budgeting Market research Resource allocation | Cost structure Income statement Customer demands Size of opportunity Ethics |

Abernathy-Clark Model

after Abernathy and Clark (1985)

Abernathy and Clark stated that an innovation can either support or destroy two types of capabilities: technological capabilities and market capabilities. Their model defines four different types of innovation and suggests that market capabilities can be just as important as technological knowledge.

| | Preserved | Technological capabilities Destroyed | | Destroyed |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|---|-----------|
| Preserved Market | Regular | | Revolutionary GE's market capabilities were instrumental during the transition from X-rays to CAT scans to MRI. | |
| capabilities | Niche | | Architectural | |
| Destroyed | | | | |

Henderson-Clark Model

after Henderson and Clark (1990)

Henderson and Clark suggested that, since products are made up of components connected together, building them must require two kinds of knowledge: knowledge of the components, called component knowledge, and knowledge of the links between them, called architectural knowledge. Despite pioneering the xerography technology, Xerox spent many years developing a good, small plain-paper copier. RCA was never the leader in the portable transistor radio market despite its experience in the components of transistor radios. Since an innovation can enhance or destroy either one of those knowledge types, the Henderson-Clark model distinguished four possible types of innovation according to its effect on component and architectural knowledge.



Innovation Chain

after Horst Rittel (1964)

Horst Rittel, in a faculty seminar delivered at University of California, Berkeley, stated that science offers issues for basic research, and that other researchers obtain their stimuli from the results of basic research. The results of research and their applications lead to development, which in turn leads to design. This process is, in a way, a self-stimulating system. Rittel claims that innovation enters this process and changes it.



Familiarity Matrix Model

after Roberts and Berry (1985)

The likelihood of a firm adopting an innovation successfully depends on how familiar the firm is with the technology that supports the innovation and the market that the innovation impacts. Roberts and Berry identified seven adoption mechanisms—internal development, acquisitions, licensing, internal ventures, joint ventures or alliances, venture capital and nurturing, and educational acquisition—that a firm can use to adopt the technology, depending on how radical the innovation is to the firm. The more unfamiliar the innovation, the more a firm should look outside its boundaries for assistance.



7 Adoption Mechanisms

Process to Predict Industry Change

after Christensen et al. (2004)

According to Christensen et al., predicting industry changes involves identifying signals of change, evaluating competitive battles, and making strategic choices that influence the outcome of competitive battles. By identifying potential "attackers" and "incumbents," firms can determine the types of technologies and competitors that will bring about innovative changes in the market.



Incremental-Radical Dichotomy Model

after Tushman and Anderson (1986)

Incumbent firms and new entrants to a market can react differently to innovations. A radical innovation can render existing knowledge obsolete, while incremental innovation can build on existing knowledge. The incremental-radical dichotomy shows the advantages and disadvantages for each type of firm depending on the type of innovation that is affecting the firm.

| | Incremental innovation (competence enhancing) Knowledge required to exploit the innovation builds on existing knowledge | Radical innovation (competence destroying) Knowledge required to exploit the innovation is very different from existing knowledge, rendering existing knowledge obsolete |
|-------------|---|--|
| Incumbent | More willing to invest since such investments allow existing products to stay competitive in the market Tend to dominate since required knowledge builds on what they already have | May be reluctant to invest for fear of cannibalizing its existing products if, in doing so, it advances the date of introduction of the innovation Existing capabilities may be useless and be a handicap to the introduction and development of the innovation |
| New entrant | - Would have to build knowledge from scratch | Have less to lose, since they have no products to sell in that market Do not have the burden of the old knowledge and can go on unencumbered to build capabilities for the innovation and exploit it |

Why is innovation desirable?
typically differentiation to stand out from competitors

to create advantage out of profit, greed, altruism to create a new business

or fear to save an old business

The Need for a Model of "Why"

Individuals and organizations innovate to create new value—a new product, a new service, a new way of thinking. The desire to innovate can come from an obsession with solving a problem. Businesses have the primary "problem" of differentiating themselves from their competitors. The solution to this problem comes in the form of innovative offerings and processes. Coming up with these solutions can bring the business more revenue. Transposed to the realm of science and society, coming up with the solution can bring glory and fulfillment for the innovators as well as a heightened sense of satisfaction for those who benefit from that innovative solution.

The desire to create new value can come from characteristics of both the individual and the organization—obsession, fear, greed, altruism, anxiety. This desire can establish new domains within which new systems with more efficient creation methods can be found. The sources of desire can differ among innovators, but the object of the desire remains the same: to create value that is new and better than what had previously been accepted as the status quo.

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