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Innovation, Differentiation and Followership

Innovation, differentiation and improvement provide the logical and time-tested sequence of industrial evolution.

The paradigms of innovation, differentiation and followership (with improvement) are compared in terms of five core attributes below

Attribute	Innovation	Differentiation	Followership
Core concept	First-to-design First-to-market	Best-in-design Better-in-market	Copy the design Improve the attributes
Key strategy	Fundamental discovery	Attribute superiority	Cost leadership
Key success factors	Research superiority	Product-market rematch	Execution superiority
Key functional drivers	Research & Development	Product development	Sales and production
End plan	Market monopoly with high returns	Market segmentation with healthy returns	Market fragmentation with low returns

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Hi friends, welcome to the NPTEL course, Business Development from Start to Scale. We are in week 11 with the three more Strategies for Markets and Industries. In this lecture, the 52nd in the series, we cover the topic of Growth Examples. We have considered in earlier lectures three important technological strategies, innovation, differentiation and followership.

We also understood through our discussions earlier that technology is the prime developer of new industries. These three paradigms are compared below in respect of certain key attributes. What is the core concept in respect of innovation? It is being first to design and being first to market.

Differentiation aims at being best in design and better in market. Followership looks at copying the design, but improving the attributes. The key strategy of innovation is fundamental discovery. That of differentiation attribute superiority, and in respect of followership, it is cost leadership.

The key success factor for innovation is research superiority. For differentiation, it is product and market rematch. And for followership, it has to be execution superiority. The key fundamental functional drivers for innovation relate to research and development as a discipline, as a domain. For differentiation, it is development of products. And for followership, it is sales and production.

The end plan or the end game, as you may call it, in respect of innovation, is market monopoly with high returns. For differentiation, it is market segmentation with healthy returns. And for followership, it is market fragmentation with low returns. From this itself, you can understand how industries get formed.

Innovation provides the basic nucleus based on which a firm develops itself to a near-monopoly state and looking at the success enjoyed by the innovator firms, differentiated firms coming to play. They do better than the innovator in respect of certain areas and they are on par. In respect of certain other areas and possibly they could also be inferior in respect of certain other aspects compared to innovation. Yet, they expand the market. They become powerful new clients by themselves.

Once the patent monopoly is over, followership takes over and the industry expands beyond leaps and bounds. Among the five core attributes, strategic creativity and functional competencies constitutes the key drivers for the direction which a firm can take. The key

success factors must be understood and targeted a priori based on the technology strategy that is being followed.

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Technology Strengthens Business

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Continuous Increase in Slicing Capacity Over Time

Successive product introductions

Enhancing its manufacturing and marketing competencies

Continuously enhancing its design

8, 16, 24, 32, 64, 128, 256, 360, 500, 640 Slices

One of the most striking examples of such differentiation has occurred in the field of medical imaging and radio/laser therapy domains, with successive developments achieving sharper imaging and enabling more precise diagnosis and surgery respectively.

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Let us look at the imaging equipment which are used in hospital settings. This has been one of the most striking examples of differentiation. That has occurred in the field of medical imaging and radial laser therapy domains with successive developments achieving sharper imaging and enabling more precise diagnosis and surgery respectively. The imaging

equipment started with 8 slices moved to 16, then to 24, 32, 64, 128, 256, 360, 500 and now 640 slices a CT scans are commonplace.

So, there has been a continuous increase in slicing capacity over time, which has enabled medical diagnostics take an important step ahead in terms of understanding the disease patterns. An unremitting march of technology is the principle support for continuous differentiation.

That happens based on continuous enhancements in designs, continuous enhancements in the manufacturing and marketing competencies and successive product introductions. A clear understanding of the deficiencies of the current technologies and development of gap bridging technologies is part of the technological endeavour for any company.

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The Lighting Revolution

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- First-generation LED lamps required a combination of red, green and blue light to produce familiar white light. While red and green diodes were first developed in the 1950s and 1960s, blue light proved to be a far more challenging hurdle.
- Following early work at RCA in the late 1960s, Dr. Akasaki began trying to grow high-quality crystals of the semiconductor gallium nitride in the early '70s at the Matsushita Research Institute Tokyo, an electronics company. By the late '80s they had managed to generate blue light from their chips. Around the same time, Dr. Nakamura, working at the Nichia Corporation, a chemical company in Tokushima, built on their breakthrough to produce a bright blue LED that would eventually enable the chips to be applied to lighting.



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Strategic Improvement

Improvement considers the pioneer's success as a directional trend rather than as a strategic template or a winning formula. This is again illustrated with an example from the Indian industrial scene.



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Let us consider strategic improvement as one of the things which makes a firm take root. Improvement considers the pioneer success as a directional trend rather than as a strategic template or a winning formula. Let us look at the Indian industrial scene, particularly the automobile industry. The first-ever introduction of small car by Maruti Suzuki in the 1980s has been a pioneers action in an industry dominated by the highly dated designs of the 1940s.

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When a Patent Creates a Firm and an Industry - Google

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There are occasions when a single patent can create a firm and even an industry. The case of Google is interesting in this respect. In 1998, Google deemed its seminal page tag patent number 6285999 so, vital that it filed for the patent even before it had a business plan, venture funding or even a domain name.

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Five Technological Revolutions in the Shipping Industry

Blockchain Technology
The shipping system based on blockchain technology will make it easy to transfer data and track cargo in real-time till it reaches the destination.

Hyperloop Transport System
Hyperloop, an idea conceptualized by Elon Musk, is a transport system that is designed to carry people or cargo from one destination to another via a tube at a speed more than 700 mph. According to a report, proposed hyperloop will provide benefits like reducing accidents, socio economic, savings in time and operational cost worth USD 55 billion over a time period of 30 years.

Robotics
Research institutes and companies in the automobile, transport, tech sector are collaborating to build robots that can aid in ship management, safety, servicing, and inspection. One example is the SAFFIR – Shipboard Autonomous Firefighting Robot, being developed by the US Navy Research Lab in collaboration with Virginia Tech.

Augmented Reality
AR in shipping can optimize cargo planning, aid maintenance and inspection, navigation, connect global teams. Port360, a virtual tour of the Port of Rotterdam, is one such example of this technology being used for connecting with businesses.

Smart Ships
Smart ships (electric, autonomous) will add a technological edge to the shipping industry. World's first zero-emission container vessel Yara Birkeland was launched to sea on February 2020.





Another example - Five technological revolutions are going to sweep the shipping industry. Everybody focuses on the road transportation industry, but people are not aware the kind of changes that are going to take place in the maritime industry. Blockchain technology is going to enable extremely accurate and speedy data transfer and cargo tracking mechanisms in real time.

Hyperloop transport system, an idea conceptualized by Elon Musk could be utilized for undersea transportation. Robotics, which are applied in automobile and transportation sector could be utilized in the ship management, safety, servicing and inspection areas.

Already we have a shipboard autonomous firefighting robot that is getting developed by the US Navy Research Lab in collaboration with Virginia Tech. Augmented reality could be another area where there would be strides in shipping. Augmented reality can optimize cargo planning.

It can help maintenance and inspection take place appropriately. It could fast track navigation and connect global teams. Port 360, a virtual tour of the port of Rotterdam is one such example of this technology being used. And ultimately, there would be several smart ship designs that would be on the anvil.

Electric autonomous and hydrogen based smart ships will add a technological edge to the shipping industry. The world's first zero emission container, vessel, Yara Birkeland was launched to sea on February 2020. Even our own Cochin shipyard is looking at electric ferries to be deployed in its campuses.

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Synergy of Industries

Products get synergized by two types of industries: Infrastructure (or platform) industries and Functional (or enabler) industries. Telecommunications is an example of the former and sensors is an example of the latter, both providing great synergy to core products. The inter-industry synergy is the key driver of Industry 4.0.

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When we see industrial developments of this kind, we have to analyze how this energy comes in for these new industries to get established. Products get synergised by two types of industries. Infrastructure or platform industries and functional or enabler industries. Telecommunication is an example of the platform industry. And sensors is an example of the functional industry.

Both provide great synergy to core products. The inter-industry synergy is the key driver of Industry 4.0. Products of the following industries are synergised by the telecommunication industry, computing, operations, internet, communication and connectivity.

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have motor industry that synergizes every device that involves rotational movement, from the smallest micro motors to the largest turbines.

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The Rationality of Innovation

Innovation has a rationality that primes the organisation for continuous and sustainable growth. Innovation works on reinforcing core competencies, leveraging them to enter adjacencies and seeking new core competencies in a virtuous cycle of continuous and/or transformational developments.

CORNING

Corning, for instance, survived and thrived by leveraging its core capabilities, the processing of glass substances, to develop a string of blockbuster products, the glass for Edison's electric lamp, the traditional TV tubes, the heat-resistant glass for missiles and kitchen ware, the fibre-optic cables that power the Internet, and the glass for flat panel TVs.

P&G

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TOYOTA

Toyota has developed and integrated alternative drive and energy technologies to develop the world's leading hybrid vehicle, Prius, far ahead of the current global interest in electric vehicles. Hybrid technology optimizes the use of gasoline power and electric motor power based on cruise conditions.

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Innovation must have rationality. Innovation must have a rationality that primes the organization for continuous and sustainable growth. Innovation works on reinforcing core competencies, leveraging them to enter adjacencies and seeking new core competencies in a virtuous cycle of continuous and or transformational developments. Let us take the example of Corning.

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cables that power the internet and the glass for flat panel TVs. Procter and gamble is a consumer giant.

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Couple of decades ago has been in terms of developing the world's first hybrid vehicle on a commercial scale called Prius and it was far ahead of the current global interest in electric vehicles or train vehicles. Hybrid technology optimizes the use of gasoline power and electric motor power based on cruise emissions.

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Cultural Anchors of Rationality

A brief comparison of the irrationality of technological obduracy and the rationality of innovation is presented below.

Cultural Factor	Irrationality of Obduracy	Rationality of Innovation
Leadership culture	Rigid, introverted leadership	Creative, extroverted leadership
Marketing culture	Give customer what he / she is used to	Encourage customer to discover his or her needs
Manufacturing culture	Prisoner of own products and processes	Liberated thinking to push the product and process envelope
Organisational culture	Comfort of the known, and the tried & tested	Acceptance of risk in experiencing the new, and the untried & untested

Inclusive leadership culture → Open discussion of data and viewpoints → Introspective and reflective approach → Rational technological choices

It requires significant openness of leadership culture to be able to remove irrationality and embed rationality as above



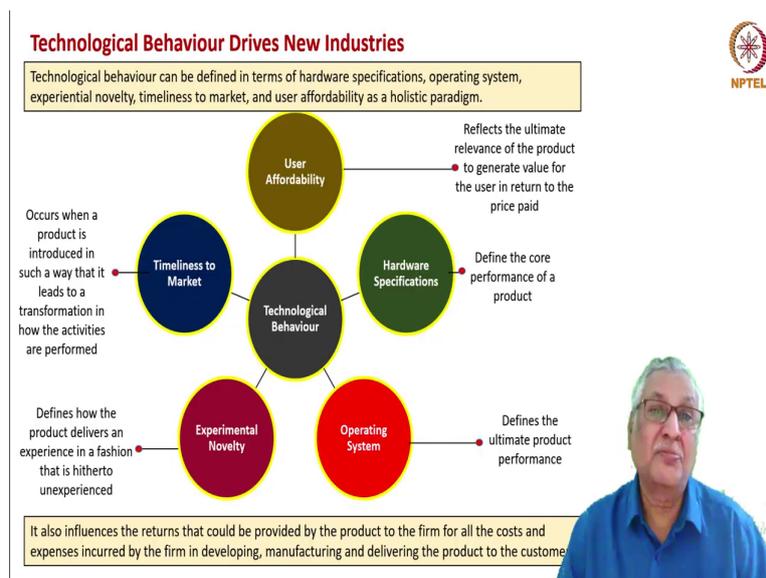
What are the cultural anchors for rationality? Let us look at the irrationality of technological obduracy and the rationality of innovation. It is the rationality of innovation that creates new industries while it is the irrationality of obduracy that makes industries wither away and eventually collapse. There are four important factors. Leadership culture leads to irrationality of obduracy if the leadership is rigid and interpreted.

On the other hand, creative and extroverted leadership leads to rationality of innovation. If the marketing culture is to give what the customer is used to that leads to obduracy. But instead, if the company thinks of encouraging the customer to discover his or her needs, then it would lead to rationality of innovation, the design thinking principle. If the manufacturing culture becomes a prisoner of its own products and processes, it will lead to irrationality of obduracy.

On the other hand, if innovation liberates the thinking to push the product and process envelope, it will be rational for any company to follow. If the organizational culture lies in the comfort of the known and the tried and tested, technological obduracy will be perpetuated in such companies. On the other hand, if companies accept risk in experiencing the new, the untried and the untested, there would be rationality for innovation in such organizations.

So, inclusive leadership culture, open discussion of data and viewpoints, introspective and reflective approach and rational technological choices are one virtual sequence. It requires significant openness of leadership culture to be able to remove irrationality and embed rationality in an organization's psyche as above.

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Technological behaviour drives the creation of new industries, just as individuals have their behavior, just as organizations have organizational behaviour, technologically oriented

activities have their own technological behaviour. A technology oriented company must display positive technological behaviour. And this technological behaviour is expressed in terms of five aspects. The first is the user affordability.

Reflects the ultimate relevance of the product to generate value for the user in return for the price that is being paid. Hardware specifications define the core performance of the product. The operating system defines the ultimate product performance and the customer experience with the device or the equipment. The experimental novelty defines how the product delivers an experience in a fashion that is hitherto unexperienced.

The timeliness to market as a driver occurs when a product is introduced in such a way that it leads to a transformation in how the activities are performed. Together, all of these constitute the technological behavior of a firm. This also influences the returns that could be provided by the product to the firm. For all the costs and expenses incurred by the firm in developing manufacturing and delivering the product to the customer.

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Industrial Applications of 3D Printing

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Industrial Goods
Machinery components, tooling and equipment used in the manufacture of other goods will adopt Additive Manufacturing. With increasing production costs and the digitisation of manufacturing, industrial OEMs must constantly evolve to maintain operational agility and keep costs down. Manufacturers are therefore increasingly turning to 3D printing to stay agile, responsive, and innovative.

Aerospace and Defense
The aerospace and defence (A&D) industry is one of the earliest adopters of 3D printing, with the first use of the technology going back to 1989. Now, three decades later, A&D represents a 16.8% share of the \$10.4 billion additive manufacturing market and heavily contributes to ongoing research efforts within the industry.

Consumer Goods
Additive manufacturing meets these needs, providing a cost-effective approach to product development, testing and production. From consumer electronics to toys and sportswear, key players within the consumer goods industry are increasingly recognizing 3D printing as a valuable addition to existing manufacturing solutions.

Automotive
The automotive industry is a growing user of additive manufacturing: in 2019 alone, global automotive AM revenues reached \$1.4 billion. This figure only looks set to increase, as revenues relating to AM in automotive part production are expected to reach \$5.8 billion by 2025, according to a SmarTech report. In areas like motorsports and performance racing, design tools like generative design and topology optimization are slowly changing traditional approaches to designing parts.

Medical and Dental
The medical and dental industry is one of the fastest growing adopters of additive manufacturing. And with 97% of medical AM professionals confident that the use of 3D printing will continue to increase within the sector, this trend seems set to continue. From medical devices to prosthetics and even bioprinting, the applications of additive manufacturing for the medical industry are versatile and wide-ranging.



Let us look at another important aspect, the 3D printing. It is also called additive manufacturing. Instead of reviewing materials from (Refer Time: 18:02) or raw castings, this assumes that the entire material can be bonded together into the part straight from the 3D modeling to becoming a part. It is a revolutionary. The evolution of 3D printing has seen a rapid growth in the number of companies adopting the technology.

The applications and use cases vary across industries, but broadly include a whole range of tooling aids, visual and functional prototypes and even end-use parts of it. In the industrial goods sector, we have missionary components; tooling and equipment used in the manufacture of other goods, being open to adopting adopt additive manufacturing.

In the aerospace and defense sector, additive manufacturing has been one of the earliest progress. This industry has been the earliest adopter of 3D printing with the first use of the

technology going back to 1989. Now, 3 decades later, A and D represents a 17 percent share of the 10.4 billion dollar additive manufacturing market and this is going to only increase as the industry tries for light weighting, flexible manufacturing and high strength.

The automotive industry is also a growing user of additive manufacturing. It is expected that in areas like motorsports and performance racing, as well as in areas of rapid prototyping additive manufacturing will come into play in a big way. The medical and dental industry is also one of the fastest growing adopters of additive manufacturing.

The use of 3D printing will continue to increase within the sector and new implants, new support systems for the human body will be made available through the 3D printing approach. Consumer goods will be the next horizon for additive manufacturing. From consumer electronics to toys and sportswear, three players within the consumer goods industry are increasingly recognizing 3D printing.

So, the entire manufacturing segment of an economy is likely to be radically transformed by the adoption of additive manufacturing, saving huge amounts of material and energy besides time.

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Internet of Things (IoT) for Ultra-precision Processing

Machine tool manufacturer Roku-Roku Sangyo Ltd has developed Japan's first ever vertical-standing machining center

The IoT technology, which enables constant monitoring, and **an analysis function using AI**, which enables abnormality detection and preventive maintenance, was the driving force that thrust the company to their "niche top" position.

Roku-Roku's **microfine machining centers** support production in various industries in Japan and abroad. The machines allow operators to always monitor the environment of their location and situation of operation. **Up to 36 sensors are installed in a single machine.**

Data from the sensors is provided to users and Roku-Roku through the company's original internet platform on a cloud service.

These machines collect and accumulate a wide range of information about the machine, including temperature of the room it is in, as well as the output status of the motor, and can detect slight changes or signs of abnormality.



Internet of Things is going to radically transform how machine tools work. Machine tool manufacturer Roku Roku Sangyo of Japan has developed Japan's first-ever vertical standing machining center. The IoT technology which enables constant monitoring and an analysis function using artificial intelligence which enables abnormality detection and preventive maintenance is the core of this machining center.

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platform on a cloud service. So, every parameter that you can conceive of including the temperature of the room, the output status, the slightest changes in the tolerances, signs of abnormality can be located, can be discovered, can be defined and can be used to remediate the machining process.

This is going to transform normal machining into ultra precision processing.

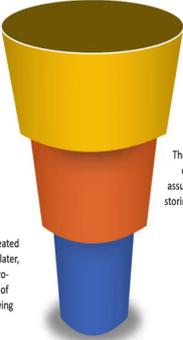
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Iron-Making Using Hydrogen



Blast furnaces, used in the upstream of the steelmaking process, use coke, made by heating coal in the absence of air, to eliminate the oxygen contained in iron ore. Carbon dioxide is discharged in the chemical reaction. But by substituting hydrogen for coke, water is created instead of carbon dioxide. This technology, called hydrogen reduction, is regarded as a promising weapon for combating global warming.

At Nippon Steel's test blast furnace, which is one of the largest of its kind in the world, gradually raised precision through the combination of experiments and simulation models, adjusting how much — and from where — hydrogen-based gas is injected into the blast furnace and exploring ways to control reduction reaction, which changes over time. After much trial and error, there were able to successfully reduce carbon dioxide by 10%.



The project aims to complete the first commercial unit by around 2030, assuming, by then, the infrastructure for storing carbon dioxide will be ready and it makes economic sense to use it

In Japan, the first modern blast furnace was created in the Ansei Era (1854-1860). Nearly 200 years later, an age of steel made using hydrogen and zero-carbon steel is expected to arrive. The wave of change washing over the key industry is a driving force that may realize a sustainable world.



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Technology as a Differentiator

Public policy does not happen in thin air. Many times, it is formulated based on technological developments that happen in different sectors, and in different countries.



Technology: A Bridge between Equity and Growth

- ❑ The way the pharmaceutical industry stringently controls its aseptic manufacture could prompt the governments to require hospitals to establish similar aseptic standards in their operation theatres and intensive care units.
- ❑ Technologies that are generated in research laboratories, many of which are either funded by the governments or owned by the governments, could trigger the governments to mandate the commercial application of such technologies. Elimination of cancer-causing materials is one such example.

As the seismic activity in different regions becomes unpredictable, governments may mandate that builders must follow Japanese-type earthquake proof construction. Similarly, deployment of green building technologies or alternative energy concepts could become the rule rather than exception.



Technology is a great differentiator. Public policy uses technology to differentiate the future from the present. Public policy does not happen in thin air. Many times it is formulated based

on technological developments that happen in different sectors and in different countries. Technology is the bridge that connects the equity growth divide.

What is the equity? Public safety, community health, resource conservation and environmental protection and what is growth? Economic growth, employment growth, income savings, quality of life. All of these mean higher consumption and higher exploitation of natural resources. Whereas environmental considerations require that we should have pause in the growth if not the growth.

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Strategic Adjacencies that Add Value

As a facet of subtle strategic shift, base or commodity materials manufacturers tend to add products to their portfolio. Below are few examples representing a class of value-adding related strategic shifts.



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Paper manufacturers moving into stationery items		→	
Bulk drug manufacturers moving into finished dosage forms		→	

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Many times strategic adjacencies is add value to your business and create a new industry. As a facet of subtle strategic shift, the base or commodity materials, manufacturers tend to add products to their portfolio. Below are a few examples representing a class of value adding related strategic shifts. Steel manufacturers moving into steel products, paper manufacturers moving into stationery items, bulk drug manufacturers moving into finished dosage forms.

While in conventional strategic terms, such shifts are classified as integration moves. The importance of organizations mastering a shift in strategic product thought cannot be overemphasized.

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Sweeping Shifts

As companies take more remarkable strategic shifts in steps, product lines get added, changing business mix over time, in some cases transforming companies into conglomerates.



	
<p>Wipro, which started in 1945 as a vegetable oil company with 100 percent of its revenues from oils and soaps, is today a software giant with over 80 percent of revenues accruing from software services, but still dealing in soaps, oils and other consumer products.</p>	<p>Reliance Industries which started as a small textile mill in 1975 is today an energy (including green energy), telecommunications and retail conglomerate with continued presence in textiles. The continued touch with textiles prompted the company to acquire Alok Industries under the IBC processes.</p>

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Sweeping shifts also take place. As companies take more remarkable strategic shifts in steps, product lines get added and this changes the business mix over time. In some cases, this also transforms companies into conglomerates. Wipro which started in 1945 as a vegetable oil company with 100 percent of its revenues from oils and soaps, is today, a software giant with over 80 percent of revenues accruing from software services. But the company is still dealing in soaps, oils and other consumer products.

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Technology Innovations that made School Buses Safer for Children

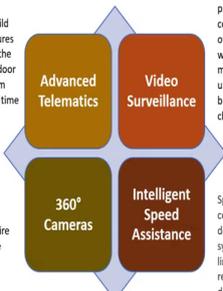


A host of sensor-based detection systems are now available to ensure safety in school buses. Motion-sensors detect the smallest of movements inside the bus, ensuring no child gets left behind; temperature sensors ensure that inside temperatures are never above the tolerable limits; sensors for seat belt use, door opening and closing, stop sign and stop arm functioning, speed control and engine idle time etc. help to conduct pre trip check.

Advanced digital cameras provide a more comprehensive coverage of the school bus interiors, which helps to record, monitor and investigate unruly behavior and bullying of smaller children.

This system comprises of four high resolution wide angled cameras that provide a full bird's eye view of the entire bus perimeter by stitching together the four views instead of multiple split screens that confuse drivers.

Speeding is one of three major contributors to accidental deaths on the roads. This system uses GPS linked speed limit data or speed sign recognition cameras to advise drivers of the speed limits, and can even automatically cut off the acceleration.



Let us take the example of school buses. It is considered one of those products of an automobile industry, particularly the bus industry. However, four things are going to completely differentiate a new school bus of contemporary era. Advanced telematics, video surveillance, 360 degree cameras and intelligent speed assistance are going to make school buses safer for children.

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gets left behind ever. Temperature sensors will ensure that inside temperatures are never above the tolerable limits.

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Past Successes and Current Challenges

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- The period was notable for utilizing technology for improving the convenience of life and longevity of life.
- Technological breakthroughs have contributed to many new devices and new processes towards this end.
- Breakthrough strides have also occurred in the biologics space, and have resulted in novel drugs and novel vaccines

Climate Change Resource Conservation Clean and Green Circular Economy

Environment Social Governance

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But for the future, climate change, resource conservation, clean and green and circular economy are the four new drivers. Environment, empathy, social responsibility and corporate

governance would induce companies to look at their businesses in different way. The current period is notable for increased concerns on these lines.

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Smart Health

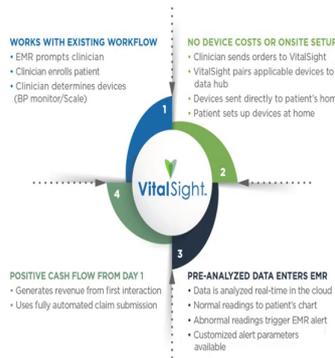
Internet which connected computers and phones ushered in a great revolution in the fields of connectivity and computing. Internet connected people globally. Internet of Things has the potential to connect everyone and everything globally – device to device, device to people and devices to places, and vice versa.

According to Business Insider research, by 2020 the world will have an 8 billion population but the devices of various types that can be connected by Internet of Things (IoT) will be 34 billion. Individuals, families, factories, offices, cities, governments will be greatly benefitted by IoT which enables real time monitoring and optimization of the facilities and equipment installed therein

Wearable technologies (fitness trackers, contact lenses, body health monitors) will be integrated seamlessly into IoT with doctors being able to maintain a close connection with their patients. Omron is a great example.



OMRON



WORKS WITH EXISTING WORKFLOW

- EMR prompts clinician
- Clinician enrolls patient
- Clinician determines devices (BP monitor/Scale)

NO DEVICE COSTS OR ONSITE SETUP

- Clinician sends orders to VitalSight
- VitalSight pairs applicable devices to data hub
- Devices sent directly to patient's home
- Patient sets up devices at home

POSITIVE CASH FLOW FROM DAY 1

- Generates revenue from first interaction
- Uses fully automated claim submission

PRE-ANALYZED DATA ENTERS EMR

- Data is analyzed real-time in the cloud
- Normal readings to patient's chart
- Abnormal readings trigger EHR alert
- Customized alert parameters available

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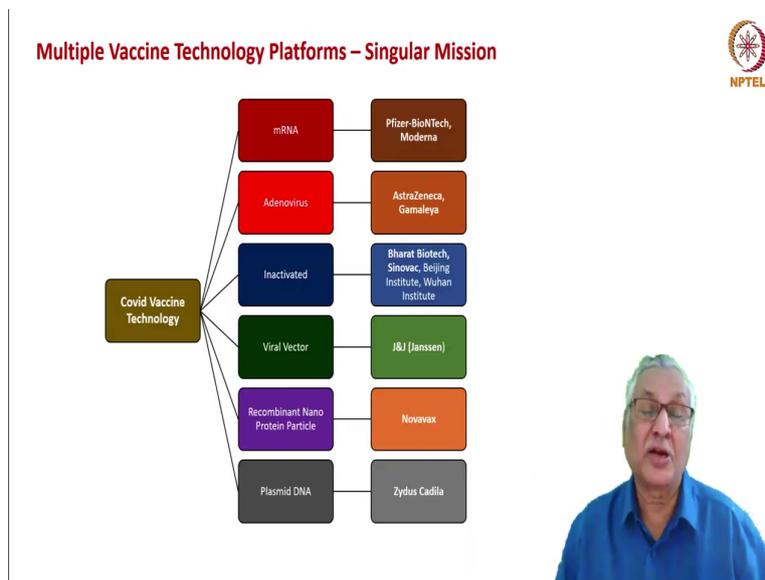
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Omron has come up with a great wearable technology and that would seamlessly utilize IoT. So, that the doctors are able to maintain a close connection with their patients. It has a product called VitalSight which was with the existing workflow. The EMR prompts clinician, clinician enrolls patient. Clinician determines devices, the devices that are to be used. There are no device costs are on site setup.

The clinician sends orders to VitalSight. VitalSight pairs applicable devices to the data hub. The device are sent directly to the patient's home and patients set up devices at home. It will ensure positive cash flow from day 1, generates revenue from the first interaction, uses fully automated claims submission. Pre-analyze data enters EMR. Data is unless real time in the cloud. Normal readings to patients chart. Abnormal readings trigger EMR alert, customized alert parameters are made available.

The 8 billion population of the world will have devices of various types that can be connected by Internet of Things and that could be several billions over the population. And this is one example of how Internet is going to transform the healthcare. Internet connected people globally. The next evaluation will be even more profound connecting everything additionally.

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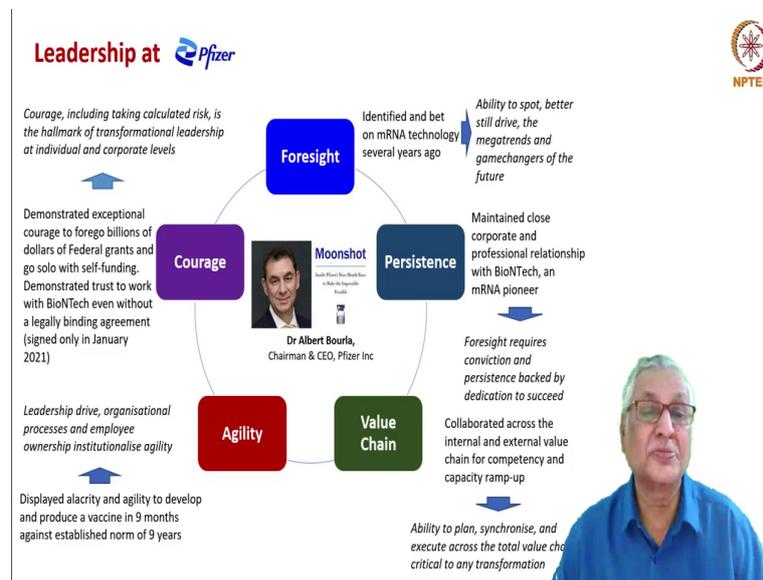


Let us look at what has happened on the vaccine front. When COVID-19 came on the scene, the entire scientific community responded with alacrity and the governments have also responded with emergency attention to support vaccine development. We had several alternative vaccine technology platforms, but the mission was singular.

The latest one that was put into action was mRNA technology, which had Pfizer and BioNTech collaborating and Moderna pursuing on its own. The established adenovirus technology was the AstraZeneca. Bharat Biotech, Sinovac, Beijing Institute and Wuhan Institute used inactivated virus technology.

J and J resorted to Viral Vector technology. Novavax looked at recombinant nano-protein particle and Zydus-Cadila looked at plasmid DNA. Whatever be the roots that are taken? Every company, so, hard to develop a vaccine, which usually takes 10 to 12 years to develop in just 10 to 12 months that has been the speed of development; of course, for that, emergency funding was provided by the various governments.

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And this was possible because of leadership at Pfizer as an example. Dr. Albert Bourla, chairman CEO of Pfizer Inc, has been responsible for this leadership model for transforming the human health care situation in the face of such a dangerous pandemic. The company had the foresight to identify and bet on mRNA technology several years ago.

Therefore, the foresight, which is the ability to spot better still drive the megatrends and gamechangers of the future is one of the essential aspects of leadership. Second, persistence maintained close corporate and professional relationship with BioNTech an mRNA pioneer. So, foresight requires persistence. It requires conviction, backed by dedication to succeed.

Then the value chain collaborated across the internal and external value chain for competency and capacity ramp up, particularly in terms of cold chain transportation. Ability to plan, synchronize and execute across the total value chain is critical to any transformation. Agility -

displayed alacrity and agility to develop and produce a vaccine in 9 months against the established norm of 9 years.

Leadership drive, organizational processes and employee ownership institutionalise agility. And finally, courage - the company demonstrated exceptional courage to forego billions of dollars of federal grants and go solo with self funding. Demonstrated trust to work with BioNTech even without a legally binding agreement; it was signed only in January 2021 after the vaccine was already into commercial approval.

Courage including taking calculated risk is the hallmark of transformational leadership at individual and the corporate levels. Foresight, persistence, value chain, agility and courage or the demonstrators of higher order leadership and higher order leadership is required to create new business lines and new industries.

The vaccine for COVID-19 is not just one vaccine. It is indeed a special vaccine that informed us how scientific equipment coupled with human dissolve could do something which is transformational for the humanity and in this Pfizer acted with the highest level of leadership.

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Object of Innovation

Innovation can happen in any domain and in any manner

The diagram is a circular chart divided into seven segments, each representing a different object of innovation. The segments are numbered 1 through 7 and are arranged in a clockwise direction starting from the top. Segment 1 is dark blue and labeled 'Product innovation'. Segment 2 is light blue and labeled 'Service innovation'. Segment 3 is orange and labeled 'Business model innovation'. Segment 4 is dark blue and labeled 'Process and technology innovation'. Segment 5 is red and labeled 'Organizational innovation'. Segment 6 is yellow and labeled 'Social innovation'. Segment 7 is green and labeled 'Environmental innovation'. Each segment contains a small icon related to its category. Above the chart is a text box stating 'Innovation can happen in any domain and in any manner'. In the top right corner, there is the NPTEL logo.

A small video inset in the bottom right corner shows a man with glasses and a blue shirt speaking.

What are the objects of innovation? Innovation can happen in any domain and in any manner. There are seven important aspects of any innovation and innovation is required to create growth industries. Product innovation, service innovation, business model innovation, process and technology innovation, organizational innovation, social innovation and environmental innovation.

I am happy that as part of this course we have been able to touch upon many aspects of innovation including product innovation, service innovation, business model innovation and other aspects of innovation that I have mentioned just now.

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Management Innovation

Management innovation — that is, the implementation of new management practices, processes and structures that represent a significant departure from current norms — has over time dramatically transformed the way many functions and activities work in organizations. Many of the practices, processes and structures that we see in modern business organizations were developed during the last 150 years by the creative efforts of management innovators.



A vertical timeline of management innovations. On the left, there are logos for Ford, Toyota, and P&G. To the right of the logos are four blue boxes connected by downward arrows, each containing a description of an innovation and its year. The first box is for Ford (1913), the second for Western Electric (1924), the third for Toyota and other Japanese companies (1945), and the fourth for ISO and Motorola (1987).

Ford Motor's introduction of the moving assembly line in 1913

Western Electric's invention of statistical quality control in 1924

The Operations and Quality revolution by Toyota Motor and other Japanese companies in 1945

The ISO quality standards and Motorola's Six Sigma methodology, which were both introduced in 1987

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There are management innovations under way all the time in organizations. Many fail, some work — and only a few make history.

Over time, the most valuable innovations are imitated by other organizations and are diffused across entire industries and countries.

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Management innovation is also an important aspect. That is the implementation of new management practices, processes and structures that represent a significant departure from the known norms. This has worked and dramatically transformed the way many functions and activities work in organizations.

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Ford Motors introduction of the moving assembly line in 1913 was path breaking standardization. Western Electric's invention of statistical quality control in 1924 was game changer for quality assurance. The operations and quality revolutions by Toyota Motor and

other Japanese companies in 1945 not only upgraded Japanese automobile manufacturing practice, but gifted at an entirely novel and effective manufacturing system to the entire world.

The ISO quality standards and Motorola 6-sigma technology which were both introduced in 1987 have informed us that it is possible to aim for the lowest level of deviation from the standard which you would like to have. A historical perspective in all these aspects of management innovation is useful because it reminds us that nothing about our current ways of working is inviolable.

There are management innovations underway all the time in organizations many fail some work, but only a few make history. Over time the most valuable innovations are imitated by other organizations and are diffused across entire industries and countries. So, management innovation is typically for the good of the entire industry and the economies in general.

As I said some management innovations including Toyota Motor Corps, lean production system and Procter and Gamble Companies brand management model gave the pioneering companies lasting competitive advantage. So, management innovation is also as important as technological innovation. Good management innovation recognizes the importance of technological innovation and good technological innovation understands the importance of commercialization of technologies for the human good.

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The New Energy Giants are Renewable Companies

The four companies—Enel, Iberdrola, NextEra Energy and Orsted—prioritized the building or buying of clean-power plants when those assets were still considered alternative and expensive. Now they're on the cusp of a breakthrough. Ever-cheaper solar panels and wind turbines are beginning to dominate new power installations, threatening the growth of natural gas on our power grids and upending energy markets.

Source: Bloomberg

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Ever cheaper solar panels and wind turbines are beginning to dominate new power installations threatening the growth of natural gas on our power grids and upending energy markets. So, the entire energy sea is undergoing a significant transformation and of course, the existing energy measures are also jumping into the renewables energy bandwagon.

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Power of Hydrogen Fuel

Hydrogen fuel is seen as the missing link in the race for carbon-neutrality. "Green" hydrogen is the new hope.



Hydrogen fuel cell electric cars are already on the road

Toyota launched the Mirai Sedan, the world's first mass-market hydrogen fuel cell vehicle in 2014 while Hyundai launched its Nexus SUV in 2018

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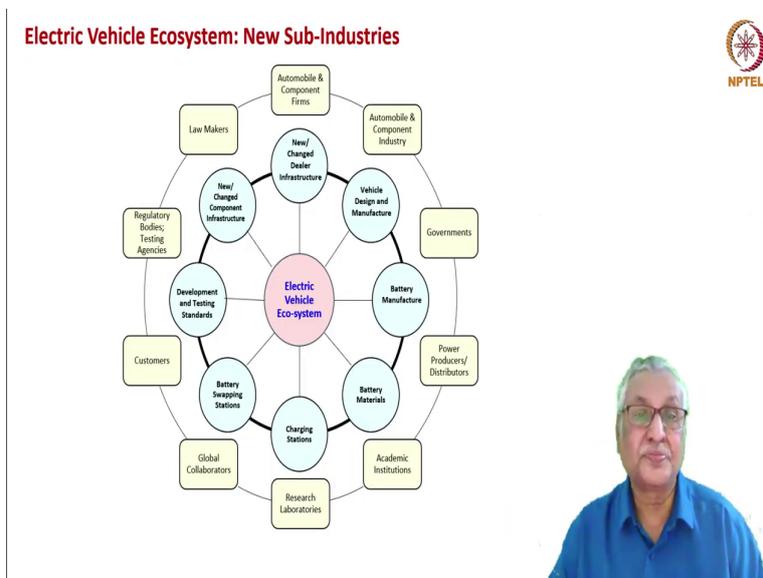
We cannot think about clean energy without discussing the power of hydrogen fuel. Hydrogen fuel was long seen as the missing link in the race for carbon neutrality. However, today green hydrogen is the new hope. Hydrogen fuel cell electric cars are already on the road. Toyota launched the Mirai Sedan the world's first mass market hydrogen fuel cell vehicle in 2014 while Hyundai launched its Nexus SUV in 2018. But this technology is getting perfected and the prices are being brought down.

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Then we have all around us and all before us the new electric vehicle ecosystem. A host of new industries are going to be generated because of the electric vehicle ecosystem. We are

going to have new electric vehicles of course, at the core that will comprise the automobile and component firms. A new automobile and component industry will take shape.

The governments will plunge into electric vehicle support systems. Power producers and distributors will gear up to support the electric charging infrastructure. Academic institutions, research laboratories and global collaborators will work together to ensure several solutions for the creation of a new electric vehicle system.

Customers will be looking at the electric vehicles with expectation. Regular electric bodies and testing agencies will be developing new homologation systems while lawmakers will be grappling with any challenges that could arise with the electric vehicle system.

But at the core is the transformation that is going to happen. The new changed component infrastructure, the development and testing of standards, battery swapping stations, charging stations, battery materials, battery manufacturer, vehicle design and manufacturer, new and change dealer infrastructure would all be a part of a new electric vehicle ecosystem that will generate new industries and sub industries.

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The Innovation Culture

The 15 percent rule is one of the major aspects of 3M's entrepreneurial workplace culture which encourages employees to explore and work together to generate ideas. It created many new inventions.

Rewards and Recognition Build a Vision

Communication Foresight

Empowerment Going Beyond

3M's Six Principles of Innovation

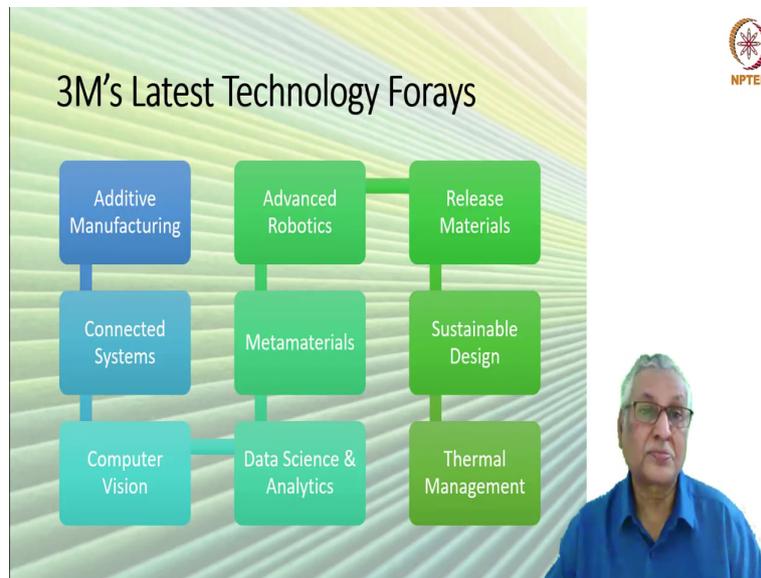
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Then the innovation culture - Every company should dictate to its people that its time should be adequately spent on innovation. One of the most innovative companies in the world, 3M has a 15 percent rule. It is one of the major aspects of 3M's entrepreneurial workplace culture and this encourages employees to explore and work together to generate ideas. And this approach has created many new inventions.

The 15 percent rule is that 3M's engineers and scientists are allowed to spend 15 percent of their time perusing pursuing projects of their own choice and this has created several innovations at 3M. In addition to this, 3M follows six principles of innovation, empowerment of people, communication across division's rewards and recognition, going beyond the current, having foresight and building a vision.

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3M's latest technology forays are - additive manufacturing, connected systems, computer vision, data science and analytics, meta materials, advanced robotics, release materials, sustainable design and thermal management. The way it is moving ahead, it may be even redefining the periodic table of elements with new discoveries.

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DuPont Transformative Technologies

Electronics Convergence
Emerging technologies for miniaturization and speed
Increasing power density and frequency
Advanced packaging for high performance devices

Digital Acceleration
Artificial intelligence and machine learning
Big data and predictive analytics
Smart technologies and connected devices

Multi-materials System Integration
Safer, more durable, more reliable, higher-performing products
Advancing hybrid and electric vehicle technology
Application-specific expertise in material selection

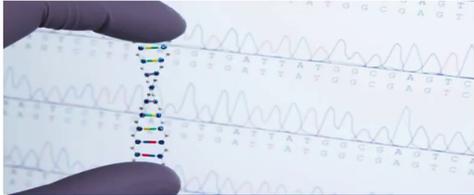


DuPont is another company which has excelled itself in materials and related technologies. It has three transformative technologies, electronics convergence that is emerging technologies for miniaturization and speed, increasing power density and frequency, advanced packaging for high-performance devices, all of these for electronics convergence.

Then it works on digital acceleration, artificial intelligence and machine learning, big data and predictive analysis, smart technologies and connected devices. It also has multi-material system integration; for safer, more valuable, more reliable and higher performing products, advancing hybrid and electric vehicle technology and application specific expertise in material selection. That is DuPont for you.

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NVIDIA Genome Research Toolkit with Harvard



- ❑ NVIDIA is deepening its foothold in healthcare after teaming up with Harvard University on a new AI-based toolkit designed to help researchers gain more access and insights into DNA.
- ❑ The new tool, dubbed AtacWorks, can identify specific sequencing data and pinpoint areas with easy-access DNA, meaning functional DNA that isn't surrounded by proteins.
- ❑ Over the last year NVIDIA has rolled out several health-related initiatives. In September 2020, the company rolled out its automated speech recognition and natural language processing technology that can transcribe and organize information from a telemedicine visit for patients and clinicians.



NVIDIA, as we know, is a computer chip manufacturer, particularly for gaming devices. Its status in radically transforming the mobile and gaming devices is very well-known. Now, it is into Genome Research. It is developing a research toolkit for genomics with harvard. It is going to deepen its foothold in healthcare based on a new artificial intelligence-based toolkit which will help researchers gain more access and insights into human DNA.

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Seven Lessons from Bose's Blockbuster Products

Do Pure Research
Innovations are fragile. The system is wired against them, and they often fail. Having structure around pure research can give innovations a greenhouse in which to grow to a level of maturity

Product Selection Can Be Instinctive Too
Dr. Bose would abandon research projects that would not work. Bose believed that there is an element of instinct involved in the scouting paths taken during the discovery process

Listen to Customers
Bose discovered the chief benefit of the noise-cancelling technology when they took the product around the country to military installations, such as an Air force base and an armored personnel center, in pursuit of government contracts

Noise-Cancelling Headphones Were Not About Cancelling Noise
Bose wanted to improve the sound quality and tonal balance of a set of headphones. Only after developing the technology did Bose scientists realize that their real aims were off-target and that the right goal was noise-reduction. Often a secondary artifact of the invention matters most in the end

Believe in the customers
Bose believed in putting the invention into the hands of consumers as early as possible as customers are best placed to say what is good or bad about it

Marketing Must Support Inventions
Bose learnt that it is critically important to have the technology supported by marketing side. Commercialization of its Noise-Cancelling Headphone technology was a great example.

It's Not Always Technology Innovation That Makes a Technology Product Successful
The total product includes much more than the item on the shelf. It includes connections online, social sanctions, packaging, distribution, etc. Another blockbuster, the BOSE Wave Music System, had great technology but its success was due to innovations around distribution.

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Then we have Bose. Boses growth is founded on acoustic purity. But it has lessons which are commonsensical as also highly technological. Let us look at noise-cancelling headphones were not about cancelling noise. Bose wanted to improve the sound quality and tonal balance of a set of headphones. Only after developing the technology did Bose scientists realize that their real aims were off target and that the right goal was noise reduction. Often a secondary artifact of the invention matters most in the end.

The 2nd aspect of Bose was listening to customers. Bose discovered the chief benefit of the noise-cancelling technology when they took the product around the country to military installations, such as an air force base and an armored personal carrier in pursuit of government contracts.

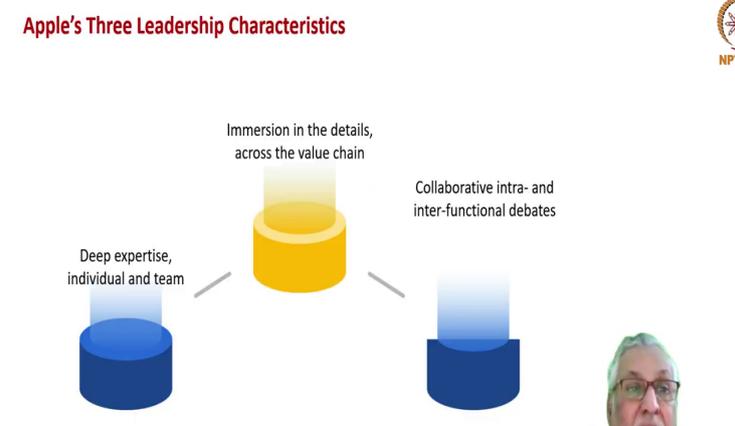
Product selection can be instinctive too. That is a 3rd lesson. Dr. Bose would abandon research projects that would not work. Bose believed that there is an element of instinct involved in the scouting of paths that are taken during the discovery process. The 4th is to conduct pure research. Innovations are fragile. The system is wired against them and they often fail. Having structure around pure research can give innovations a greenhouse in which they could grow to a level of maturity.

And 5thly, believing the customers. Bose always believed in putting the invention into the hands of the consumers as early as possible as the customers are best placed to say whether it is good or bad about it and what is good or bad about it. 6thly, marketing must support inventions. Bose learned that it is critically important to have the technology supported by the marketing site. Commercialization of its noise-cancelling headphone technology was a great example.

And 7thly, it is not always technology innovation that makes a technology product successful. The total product includes much more than the item on the shelf. It includes connections, online, social sanctions, packaging, distribution, etcetera. Another blockbuster of Bose, that is the Bose wave music system, had great technology, but its success was limited until the innovations around distribution came into play and made it a widely accepted product across customer segments.

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Apple's Three Leadership Characteristics



The diagram illustrates three leadership characteristics arranged in a triangle. At the top is a yellow cylinder labeled 'Immersion in the details, across the value chain'. At the bottom left is a blue cylinder labeled 'Deep expertise, individual and team'. At the bottom right is a blue cylinder labeled 'Collaborative intra- and inter-functional debates'. Lines connect the top cylinder to both bottom cylinders, and the two bottom cylinders are connected to each other.

Deep expertise, individual and team

Immersion in the details, across the value chain

Collaborative intra- and inter-functional debates

The three leadership qualities are expected out of every Apple manager, from entry-level to senior vice president. When managers possess these qualities, decisions are made in a coordinated fashion by the people most qualified to make them, creating new growth horizons.

Source: HBR



Leadership is extremely important in driving technological growth, technological development and technological leadership. New industries are created only through leadership that appreciate technology that expresses technology and that executes on technology. In Apple, there are three important leadership characteristics that are expected of every individual, more so, a manager and a leader.

Deep expertise, both individual and team, immersion in the details across the value chain; collaborative intra and inter functional debates. The three leadership qualities are expected out of every Apple manager from entry level to senior vice president. When managers possess these qualities, decisions are made in a coordinated fashion by the people most qualified to make them creating new growth horizons and that is Apple for you.

And this has been optimized and also institutionalized by none other than the visionary technologies at the helm of Apple that is Steve Jobs.

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Futurism as Differentiator

Competitiveness of a business accrues from superior faculties; imagination is one of the critical faculties. Innovation and Differentiation are the characteristics of a futuristic developmental approach.

Learning from the past as well as the present

Adoption of methods of sharp observation

Timing the future developments

Sophisticated sensing mechanisms

Imagining the use of ordinary to deliver the extraordinary

Core faculties for designers and developers in firms which are committed to differentiation as a strategy

Futurism needs to be a strong cultural facet of organizations committed to a technology-driven competitive strategy of innovation and differentiation. Futurism creates new growth industries.



I would like to conclude this lecture on establishment and creation of new industries by talking about futurism. Futurism is the differentiator for companies and industries, which are set to grow on novel paths. Competitiveness of a business accrues from superior faculties. Imagination is one of the critical faculties. Innovation and differentiation are the characteristics of a futuristic developmental approach.

There are five core faculties for designers and developers in firms which are committed to differentiation as a strategy. First, learning from the past as well as the present; two, adoption

of methods of sharp observation; timing the future developments; sophisticated sensing mechanisms and imagining the use of ordinary to deliver the extraordinary.

There have been books written by extraordinary authors related to futurism; *The Beginning of Infinity*, *The Future of The Mind*, *Mobilized* and *The Next 100 Years* or some of the books by the authors of repute in futurism. Futurism needs to be a strong cultural facet of organizations committed to a technology-driven competitive strategy of innovation and differentiation.

Futurism creates new growth industries and lack of futurism makes industries stagnant. It makes industries get fragmented and ultimately unviable. So, futurism is the key to generate new technologies, new firms and new industries leading to all-round growth for the humanity.

Thank you. I hope you enjoyed this lecture. I hope to see you in the next lecture.