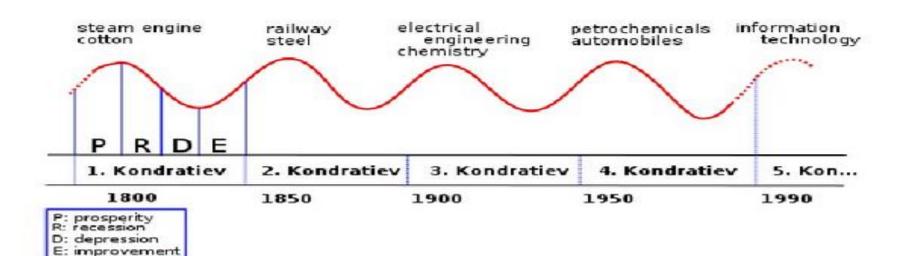
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Technology Evolution

 Kontrativ Wave:- Technology innovations are in long cycles, 40-60 years each representing the application of new group of technology which eventually will lead to another wave

Kontrativ Wave



Kontrativ Wave

±	Wave	Years
1	First Industrial Revolution	1787-1842
2	Railroad and Steam Engine Era	1842-1897
3	Age of steel, electricity and internal combustion	1897–1939
4	War and Post-war Boom: Suburbia	1939-1982
5	Post Industrial Era: Information Technology	1885 - šš

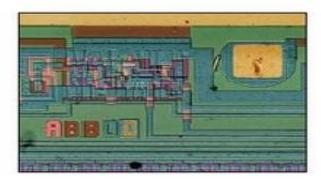
Source: Wikipedia, Kondratiev Wave

The Digital Revolution

Transistor, 1947

Intel 4004, 1971







Integrated circuit, 1959

 Digital Revolution:- First computers were built using vacuum tubes and today cell phone is a powerful computers.

Technology Life Cycle

In the early days

The innovators and technology enthusiasts drive the market They demand technology Small percentage of the market



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In the later days

The pragmatists and conservatives dominate; they want solutions and convenience
The big market



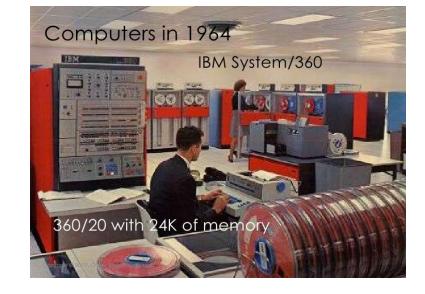
iPad 2 as fast as Cray 2 supercomputer, fraction of the size

Cray 2 1985

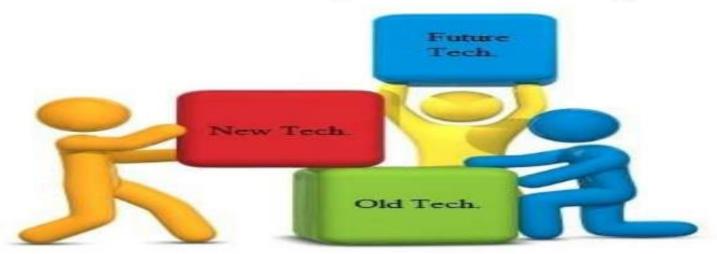


Apple iPad 2 2011





New technologies are constructed from ones that already exist and these offer themselves as possible building-block elements for the construction of still further and more improve technologies.



Apple Computer Design Evolution

with Base Prices





















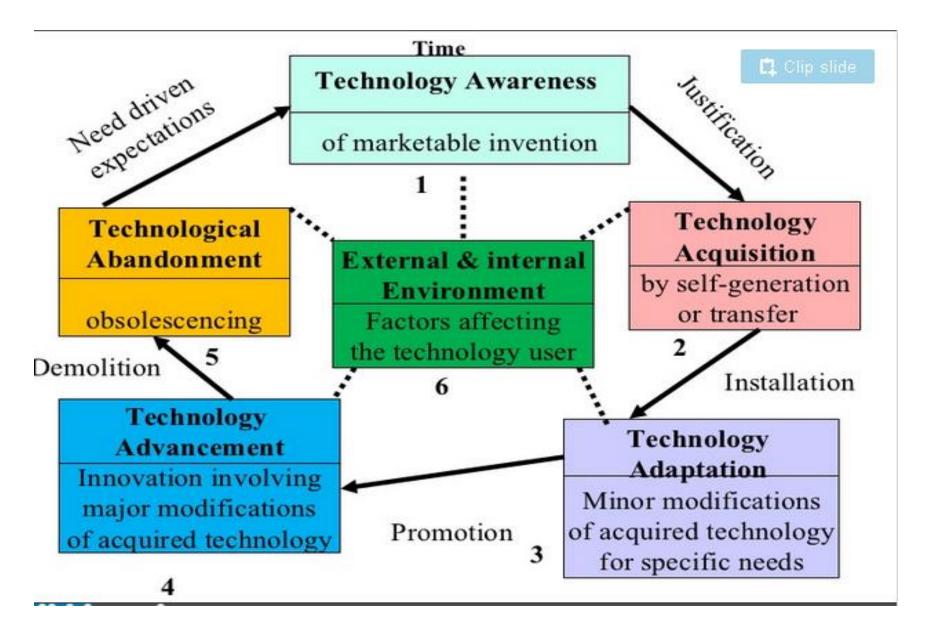


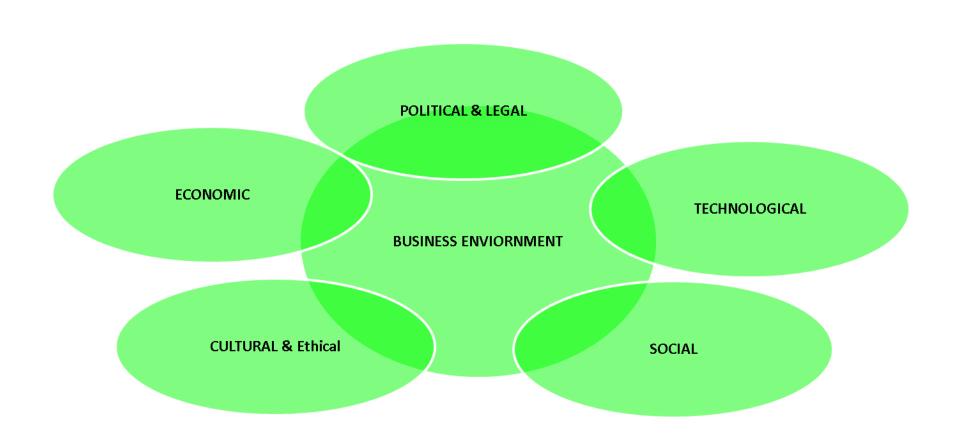


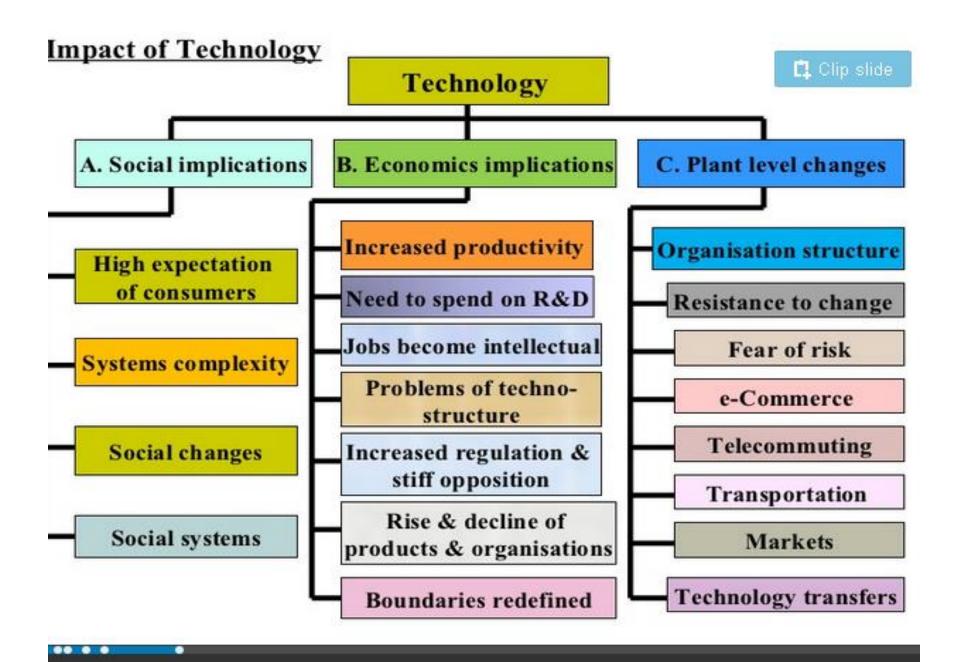
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- ✓ In recent years, much attention has been given to high technology firms.
- ✓ Entrepreneurs, governments, investors, and academicians have been studying them with different objectives.
- ✓ Several studies have addressed the creation of new high-technology firms, but most of them focus on specific aspects of the process or on the characteristics of the technical entrepreneur.
- ✓ Technology-based companies can play a key role in the economic development and competitive position of an industrialized country.
- ✓ Although widely recognized, the capabilities of new technologybased industries for generating important areas of technoeconomic activity and new market growth have still not been measured.

Factors Influencing Technology Firm







- Awareness phase:- Company has a formal mechanism to become aware of emerging technologies, from 'think-tank' with engineers & scientist, who research from around the world & put in short internal report form for the benefit of corporate strategic planners & technology policy makers
- Acquisition phase:- In this stage company's technology group, in collaboration with the industrial engineering group would conduct technical feasibility, & economic feasibility studies before justifying & acquiring a new technology.
- 3. Adaption phase: Virtually every enterprise ends up adapting an acquired technology for its particular needs, if done correctly the transition from acquisition to adaptation becomes much smoother & less expensive. But if not it will only frustrates the people acquiring the technology and will cause major losses.

4. Advancement Phase: When capital is limited one can not indiscriminately purchase & abandon technologies with scarce money.

5.Abandonment Phase:- It is the last phase but most critical. Bad timing in prematurely abandoning a product could result in lost revenues & on the other hand waiting too long to abandon might result in loss revenues because a customer m ay find better alternative in competition