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# Unleashing PowerFx: Practical Applications in Dataverse & Model-Driven Apps

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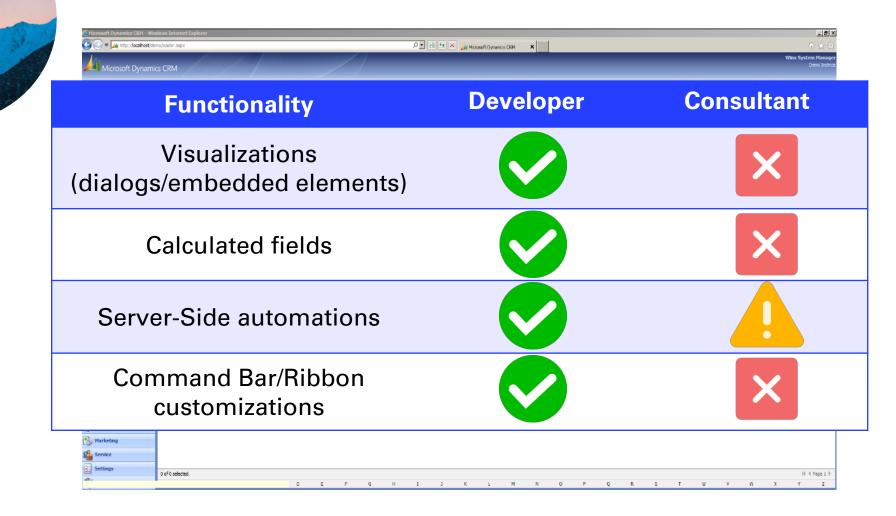
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PLATFORM EVOLUTION,
 DYNAMICS CRM V4.0, 2008



# PLATFORM EVOLUTION, NOWADAYS, DATAVERSE, V9.2

Functionality	Pro Developer	Citizen Developer
Visualizations (dialogs/embedded elements)		
Calculated fields		
Server-Side automations		
Command Bar/Ribbon customizations		

# DEMO TIME



### **EMBEDDED CANVAS APPS**

- Possibility to create a rich-UI Visualizations in a Low-Code way to extend record forms
- Possibility to use any Datasources
- Access to the contextual entity through [@ModelDrivenFormIntegration] object
  - Item access to the contextual record
  - OnDataRefresh event handler when the record is saved
  - RefreshForm reload the holding form
  - SaveForm save the holding form
  - NavigateToMainForm/NavigateToView navigation capabilities

### **COMMAND BAR**

- In-built designer of command bars (not Ribbon Workbench yet but it is what it is)
- Low-code way to define visibility rules and actions of buttons
- Hybrid mode usage of the designer to create a button and define visibility rules but use JS function for an action
- Limitations:
  - Global and Dashboard bars are not supported
  - Dataverse is the only datasource available
  - Not all Power FX functions are currently supported
  - PowerFX command bar elements won't work withing D365 App for Outlook

### FORMULA FIELDS

- Write the formula to calculate a field value in "Excel" way
- Possibility to use the data not only from the current but from parent and grandparent records
- Limitations:
  - Not all Power FX functions are currently supported
  - Limited set of supported data types Text, Decimal, Boolean, Datetime, Whole Number
  - Formula Field Type is defined on creation and can't be changed after

### **POWERFX PLUGINS**

- Create Automated and Instant Plugins
  - Automated can handle Create/Update/Delete messages in Pre/Post Execution
  - Instant Plugins is a Low-Code alternative to Actions/Custom APIs
- Limitations:
  - Create/Update/Delete steps can't be combined in one
  - Not possible to define field that trigger the plugin in Update mode

## **QUESTIONS?**





## THANK YOU

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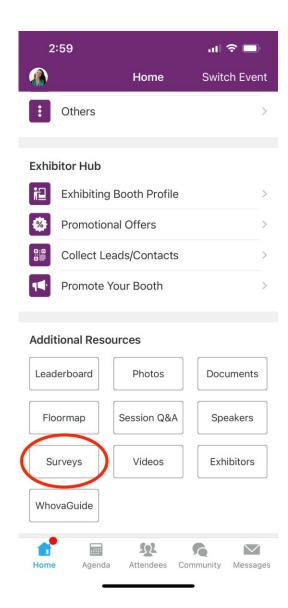
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