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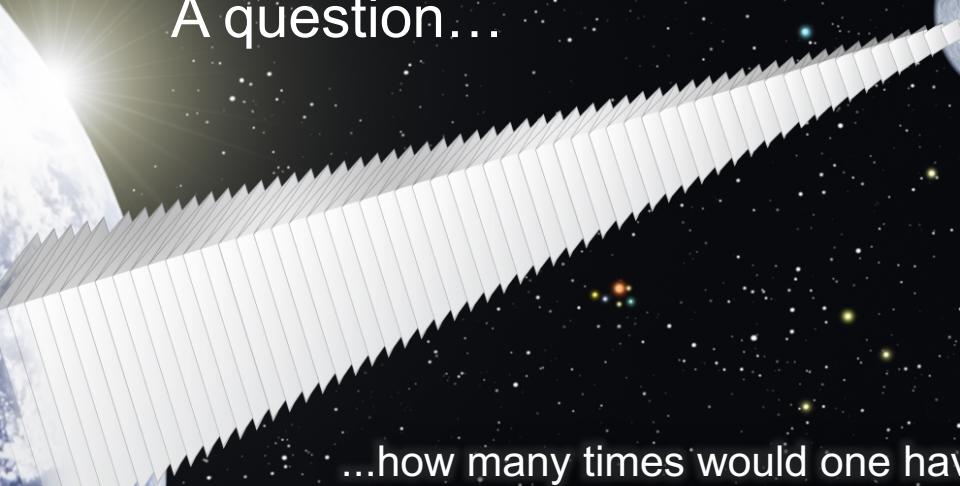
Software Engineering Vs. Moore



A question...



...how many times would one have to fold a piece of paper in order for the thickness to reach the moon?



Answer

Just **42** folds

103 folds - as thick as the width of the known universe

Exponential growth - human brains think linearly...

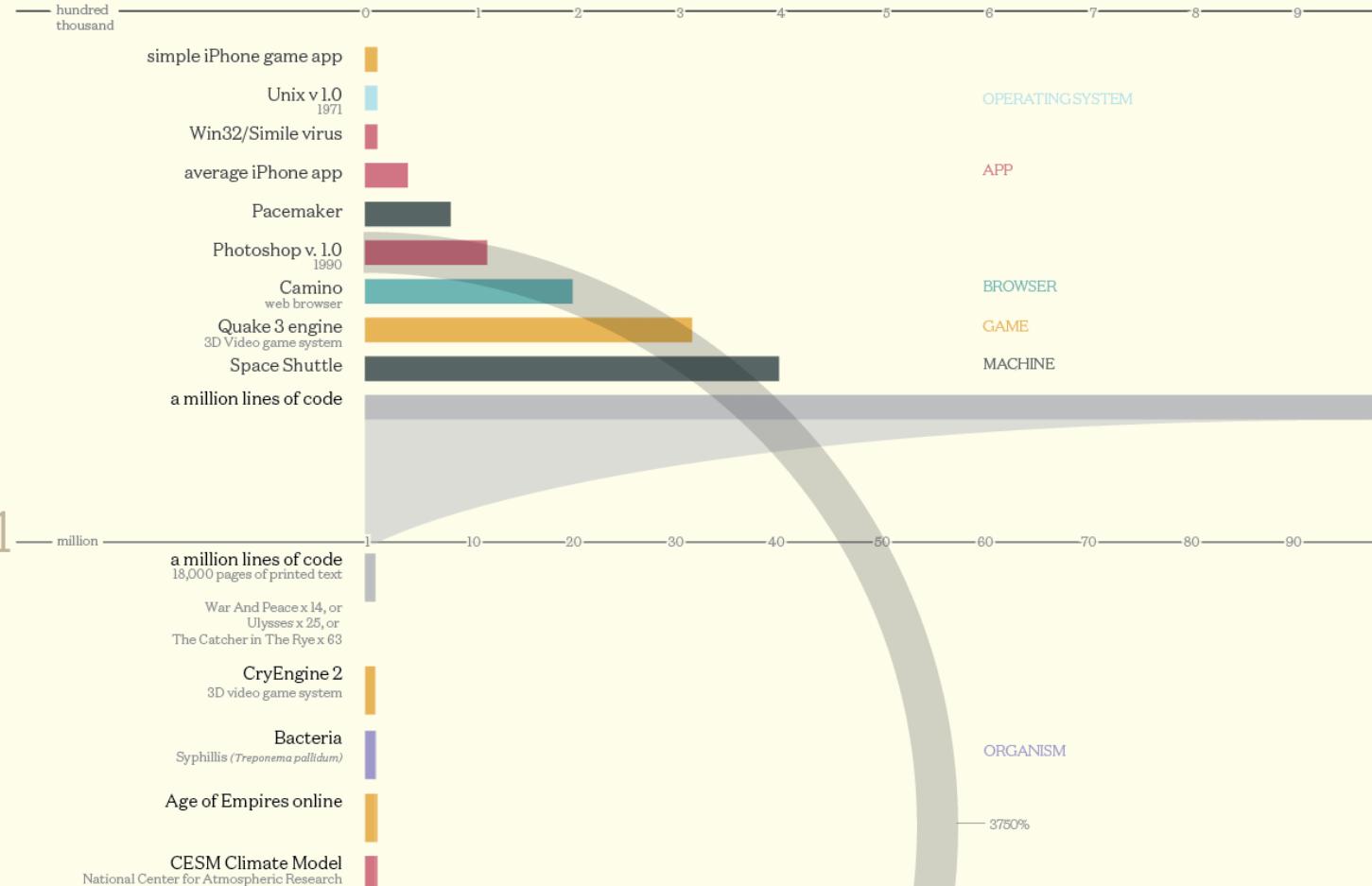
There is a well known exponential law in our industry

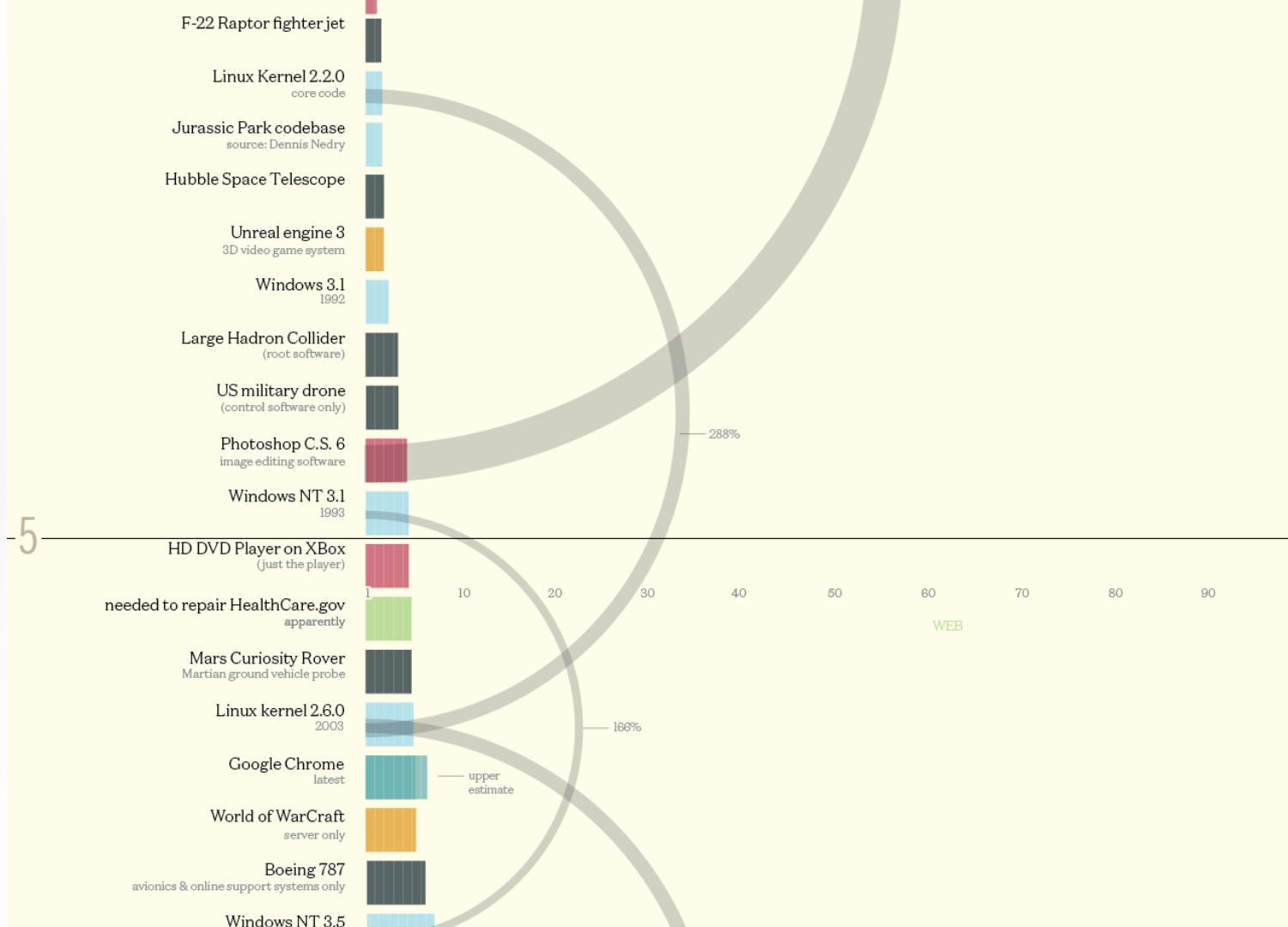
Moore's law

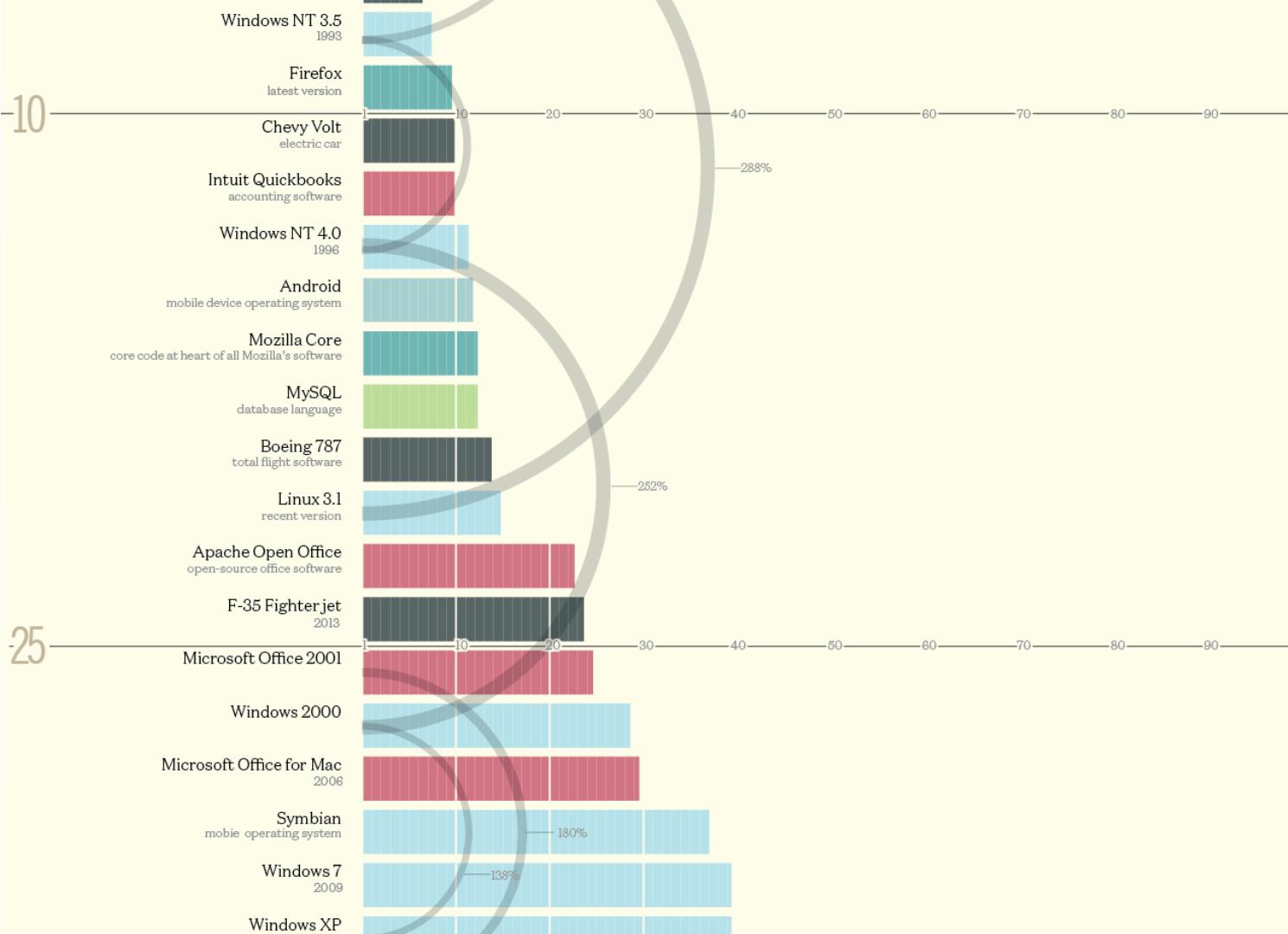
The exponential growth in compute power allows us to build today what was impossible yesterday

Codebases

Millions of lines of code







25

1 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90

Microsoft Office 2001

Windows 2000

Microsoft Office for Mac
2008Symbian
mobile operating systemWindows 7
2009Windows XP
2001

Microsoft Office 2013

Large Hadron Collider
total codeWindows Vista
2007

Microsoft Visual Studio 2012

Facebook
(including backend code)US Army Future Combat System
fast battlefield network system (aborted)Debian 5.0 codebase
free, open-source operating systemMac OS X "Tiger"
v10.4Car software
average modern high-end carMouse*
Total DNA basepairs in genome

50

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125%

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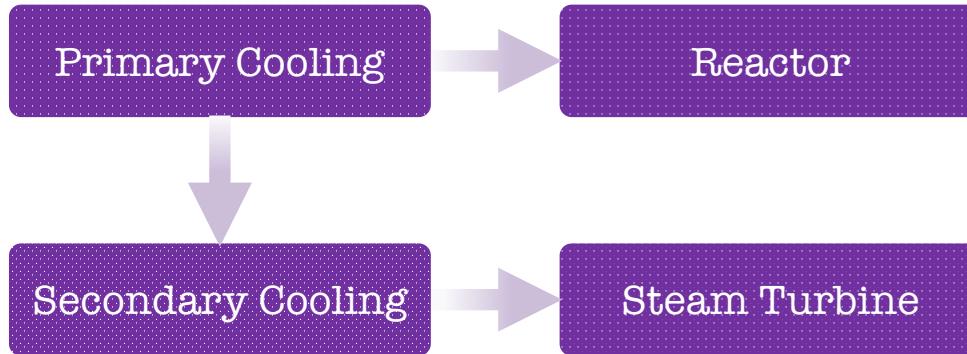
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Report Of
The President's Commission On
**THE
ACCIDENT AT
THREE MILE
ISLAND**

Three Mile Island

What was the root cause?



Pressurised water reactors
A simple architecture does not
imply a simple implementation.

- » Condensate polisher leaks water into pneumatic system
- » Air pressure falls
- » Main water pumps to secondary cooling close
- » Loss of water from secondary cooling
- » Backup water pumps start, but...
- » No water as backup valves closed!
- » Heat exchange with primary coolant stops
- » Reactor "SCRAMs" - control rods dropped
- » Primary coolant water overheats as fuel rods still hot
- » Pressure relief valve opens, but fails to close
- » Pressure relief valve indicator seems to show closed!
- » 13 seconds into accident, already in LOCA
- » Emergency water is injected, but then shut off
- » Primary coolant drains away
- » Reactor core partially exposed
- » Partial meltdown with hydrogen bubbles

Some Historical Trends – What's been happening

CODE VOLUME

1980s ~ 1M LOC monoliths
1990s ~ 1M LOC monoliths
2000s ~ 50K LOC SOA
2010s ~ < 500 LOC micro-services

ITERATION TIMES

1980s (Waterfall)
~ 1 year
1990s (Early agile scrum)
~ 3 months
2000s (Agile XP et al)
~ 2 weeks
2010s (Extreme agile)
~ 1 day

RELEASE CYCLES

1980s ~ 2/3 years
1990s ~ < 1 year
2000s ~ 3 month
2010s ~ 1 week and in some cases < 1 day

Technology Enablers – What the disruptors do



CLOUD

- Capex, h/w lead times, capacity planning
- Compute power commoditized.
- All infrastructure is code, all costs are operational, capacity scales elastically



CONTAINERS

- Operations team
- The 'Runs on my machine' Problem– solved
- DevOps, continuous delivery pipelines, immutable deployments



ARCHITECTURE

- Monolith → SOA → micro-services
- Enabled by rapid deployment pipeline and elastic infrastructure
- Reduce the gap between development and production



LANGUAGES

- High ceremony, object oriented, closed source, specialist developers
- Low ceremony, dynamic languages, full stack polyglot developers
- Incremental application development
- Open Source

Inhibitors – What's stopping you?

1

Organizational and development inertia

- Use technology as a catalyst for organizational change
- ‘Reverse Conway’

2

Politics

- ‘I don’t see any role for our ops group going forward’

3

Language / platform religion

- Php / Cobol / Whatever is the best platform ever

4

Closed thinking – reluctance to adopt open source

- Re-inventing the wheel

5

Fear of failure

- Failure is OK – fail fast and learn fast

nearForm – What we do



Professional services company - specialize in helping large enterprises leverage disruptive technologies

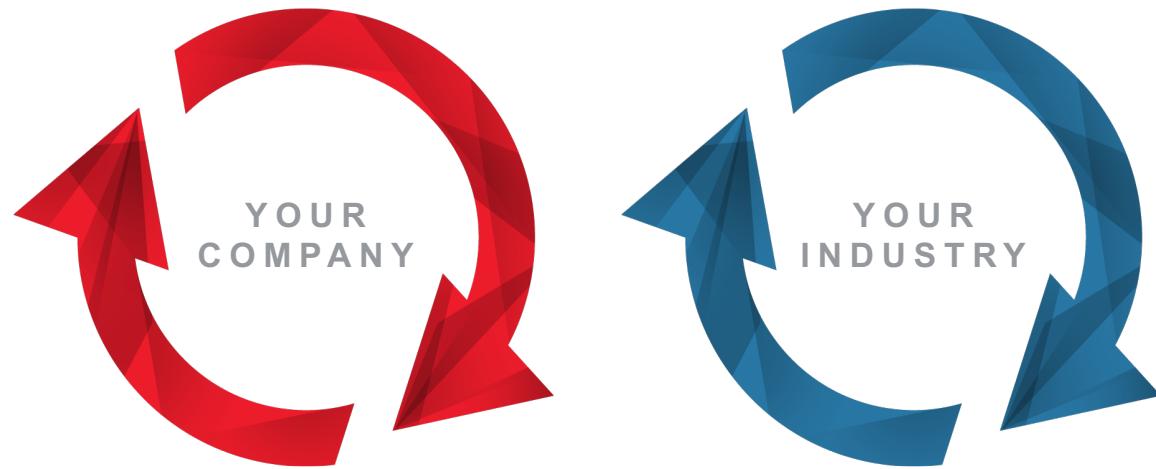


Doubled / Tripled revenues year on year since inception, now over 100 staff.
100+ projects shipped.



Digital transformation-Consultancy, Training, and Co-Development

Innovation and Delivery



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NETFLIX

Innovation Delivery

-  Languages and frameworks
-  Accelerated development processes
-  Cloud, Containers & DevOps
-  Accelerated release cycles



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Summary



EXPONENTIAL COMPUTE GROWTH

Enables creation of disruptive technology



EARLY ADOPTERS WIN BIG



TECHNOLOGY CAN DRIVE ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE