

# What we will do today...

- Understand basic concepts of innovation
  - Sync. our vocabulary
- Understand the nature of technical change
- Understand the importance of market in innovation
- Architecture and Design Structure Matrix

# Innovation – Much More Complicated than Invention

• Invention & Innovation: Difference?

Generation of Ideas → Problem-solving (Design) → Implementation(Mfr, Mkt, Dist) → Diffusion

- Basic Science → Applied Science → New Product Development → User Innovation
  - What is the role of the basic science?

### Which is better & more prevalent?

 Market-oriented innovation (market or demand "pull" ??)

or

 Manufacturer/service providerdriven innovation

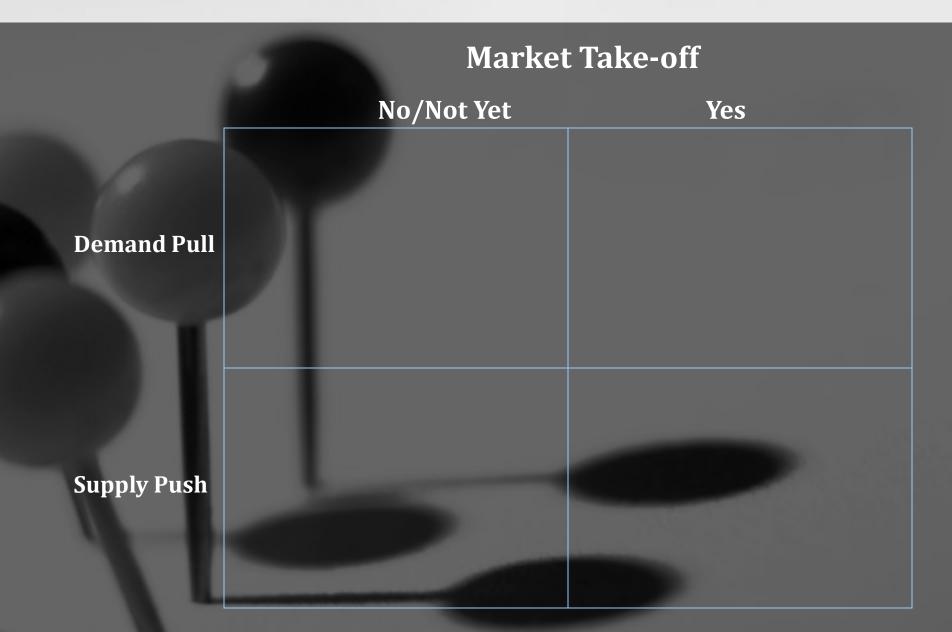
(technology or supply "push"??)

# A sample of innovations

- Web learning
- Television
- Penicillin
- Third generation (3G) wireless
- Hand calculators
- Polyester
- Digital cameras
- Tupperware
- Touch screens

- Internet gambling
- Financial options
- Transistor
- Peer-to-peer computing
- Satellite telephony
- Electronic ink
- Web-based social networking
- DARPA-net
- Alternative fuel automobiles
- Virtual Reality (Second Life)

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#### **Market Take-off**

	No/Not Yet	Yes
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		Tupperware
Demand Pull		Penicillin
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Supply Push		Alternative fuel automobiles
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## **Conventional wisdom?**

Table 2. A comparison of studies of the proportions of innovations stimulated by market needs and technological opportunities.

Author	Proportion from market, mission, or production needs (%)	Proportion from technical opportunities (%)	Sample size
Baker et al. (38)	77	23	303*
Carter and Williams (11)	73	27	137
Goldhar (37)	69	31	108
Sherwin and Isenson (17)	61	34	710†
Langrish (20)	66	34	84
Myers and Marquis (7)	78	22	439
Tannenbaum et al. (33)	90	10	10
Utterback (31)	75	25	32

<sup>\*</sup> Ideas for new products and processes. 

† Research events used in 20 developments.

The best innovations are customer/needs/demand-driven.

- Common thoughts:
  - Nothing is worse than "a technology in search of an application," or "a solution in search of a problem and a customer"
  - "Necessity is the mother of invention"
  - "How many billions of dollars has this company spent on R&D that goes nowhere?!"

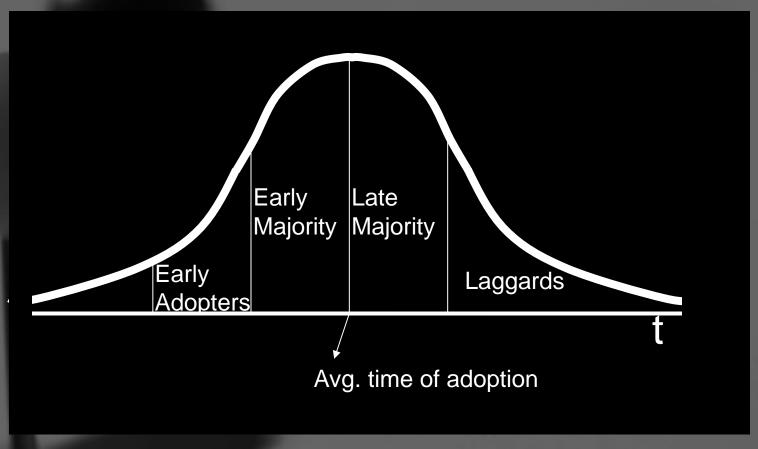
### Internal vs. External Sources

Of the 157 cases studied by Myers and Marquis, how many innovations are evoked by information from sources outside the firm?

How about in the case of new scientific and measuring instruments?

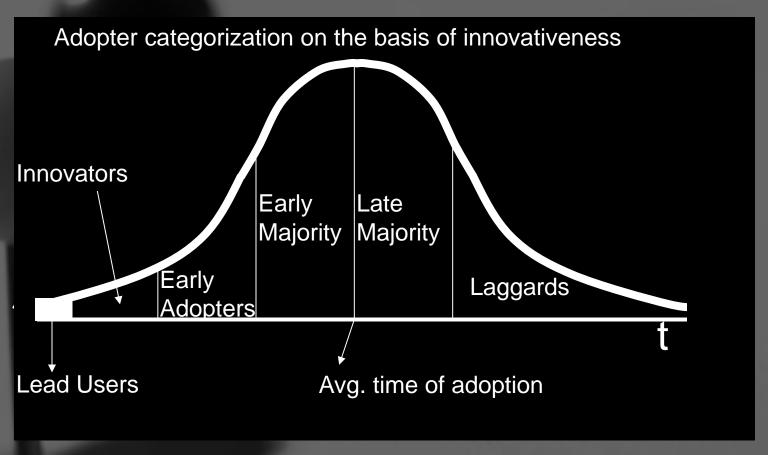
Case of DuPont's major product and process innovations?

# Diffusion – An important part of the technological innovation



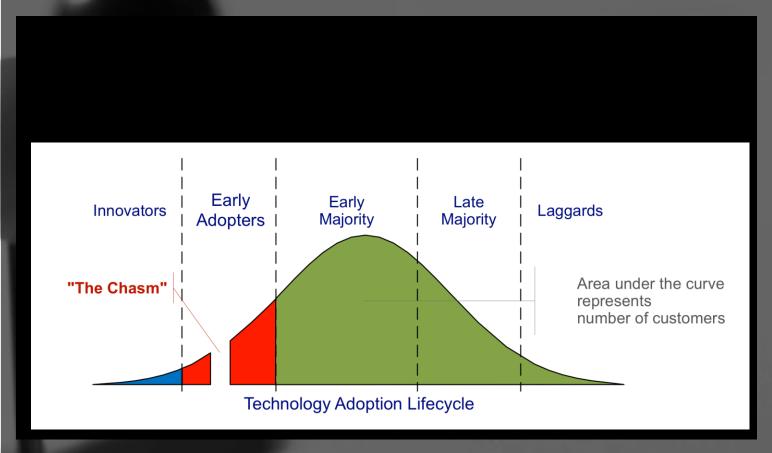
Source: Rogers (Diffusion of Innovation)

## User Innovation - Another Important Factor



Source: Rogers (Diffusion of Innovation)

# Chasm?



Source: Rogers (Crossing the Chasm)

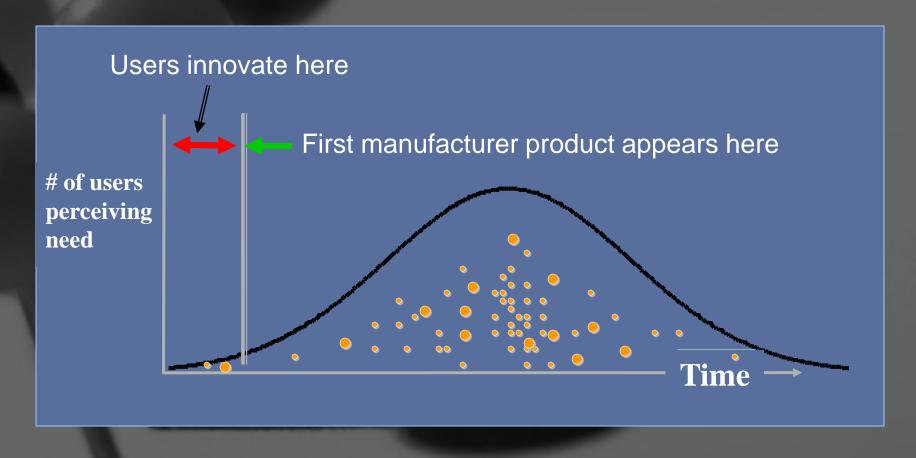
### Traditional, Manufacturer-Centered Innovation Paradigm

Manufacturers identify user needs, develop products at private expense, And profit by protecting and selling what they have developed.

### User-Centered (Democratized) Innovation Paradigm

Lead Users innovate to solve their own needs at private expense

- and then freely reveal their innovations



# What is meant by "Innovation is becoming democratized?"

• Increasing numbers of users are able to develop innovations for themselves at a steadily more professional level.

### Why?

- Improvements in design tools via computing (like simulation)
- Improvements in communication (like the Internet)
- All being provided at lower costs

# Harnessing the Capability of Users

