

Development of Innovation Strategy and Patent Systems

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The world as it was: Industrial Age (1970's)

- **GDP (1970):**
 - 1.04 trillion USD (US)
 - 0.52 trillion USD (JP)
- Typical Industry: Auto Industry
- ITC technology:
 - Magnetic disk storageSize: 14 inch diskIBM 3330 Capacity: up to 1.6 Gbytes
 - Semiconductor chip
 Components per chip: 200
 transistors/cm²
 - Communication speed: 300 bps (Modem)





The world as it was: Industrial Age (1970's)

Development model:

Vertical (IBM S360)

Product development and life cycles:

Very long (5 to 10 years)

Product architecture:

Integral (Autos, Photo Copier, Medical equipment)

Key words:

Competition, Closed, Analog, Stand alone

The number of patent applications filed in 1970:

▶ JPO: 130K

► USPTO: 100K

► EPO: N/A

► SIPO: N/A





The world as it is today: Information Age (2008)

- **GDP** (2008):
 - 14.3 trillion USD (US)
 - 5.6 trillion USD (JP)
- Typical Industry: Software industry
- ITC technology
 - Magnetic disk storage Size: 0.85 to 3.5 inch disks IBM DS8000 Capacity: up to 1000 terabytes
 - Semiconductor chips:
 - Components per chip: 40 million transistors/cm²
 - Communication speed:100M bps (FTTH: Fiber-to-the-home)





The world as it is today: Information Age (2008)

Development model:

Horizontal (Personal Computer)

Product development and life cycles:

Short (sometime less than a year)

Product architecture:

Modular (DVD players, Flat panel TV, PC)

Key words

Collaboration, Interoperability, Network effect, Open standard, Globalization, Internet, Outsourcing, Open, Multidisciplinary, Green products

The number of invention patent applications filed in 2008

▶ JPO: 391K

▶ USPTO: 466K

► EPO: 147K

► SIPO: 290K



ThinkCentre M58e, Lenovo

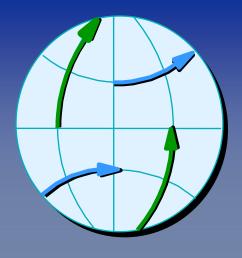
The Nature of Innovation is Changing

- It's occurring more rapidly
- It's more global and requires wider collaboration across multiple disciplines, specialties and borders often involving cultural diversity and language







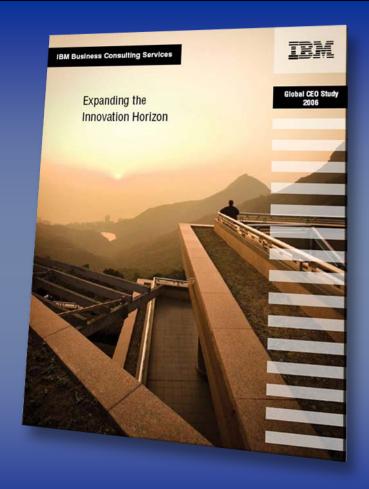






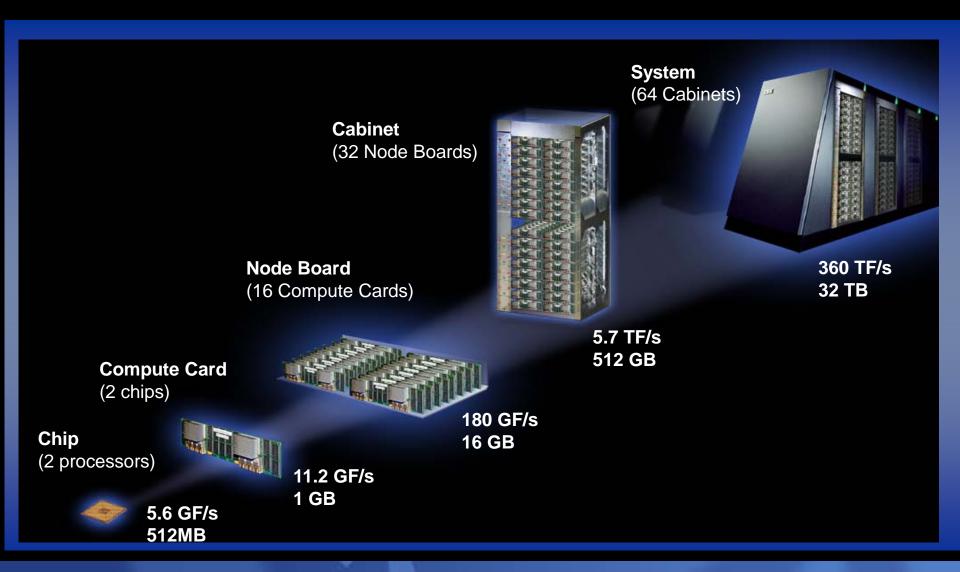
We have been changing our business model

- We have been evolving our product development model
 - Proprietary
 - Worldwide collaborations on today's technologies (semiconductor development)
 - Worldwide collaboration on tomorrow's technologies
 - Open source product developments
- IBM Smarter Planet Initiative

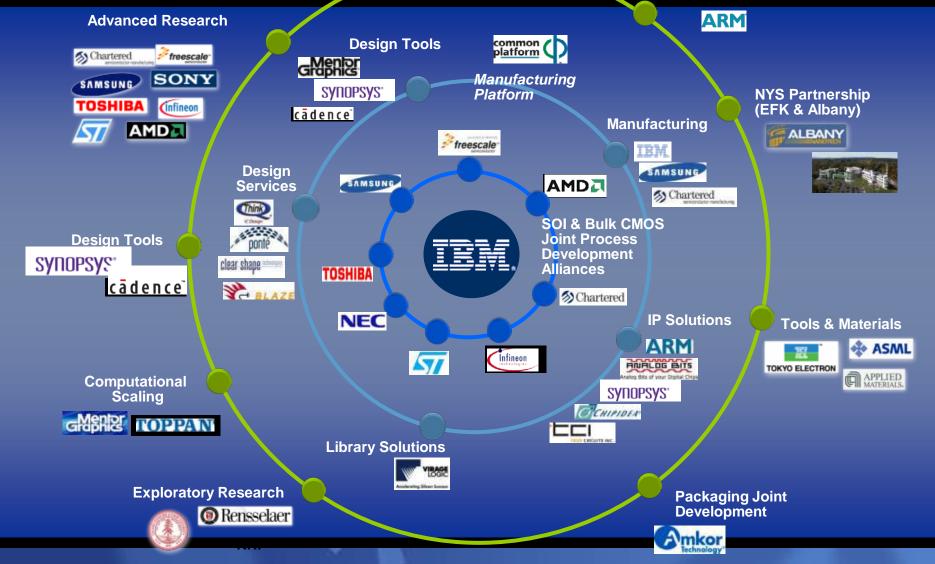




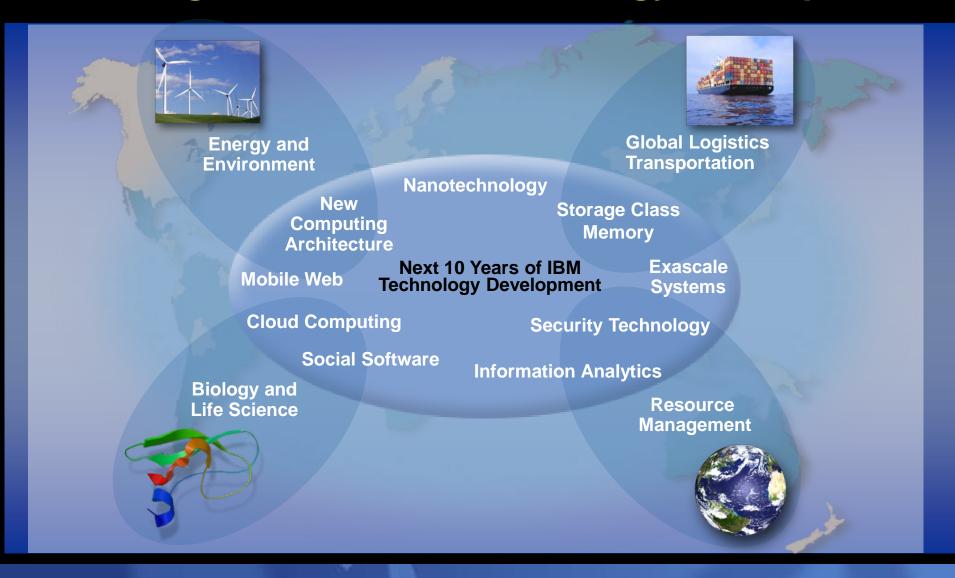
IBM Blue Gene Supercomputers



Collaboration – semiconductor development



Extending the horizon of technology development



Participation in open communities

- Open Source Communities
- Open Standards Committees
- Patent Commons

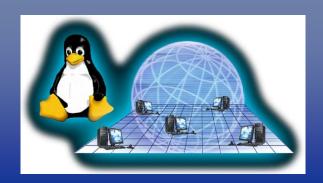






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IBM Smarter Planet Initiative

Our world is becoming



INSTRUMENTED



Our world is becoming INTERCONNECTED

Virtually all things, processes and ways of working are becoming INTELLIGENT





Innovation Opportunities



Smart traffic systems



Intelligent oil field technologies



Smart food systems



Smart healthcare



Smart energy grids



Smart retail



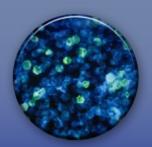
Smart water management



Smart supply chains



Smart countries



Smart weather



Smart regions



Smart cities

The intellectual property landscape has changed



Proprietary

- Closed
- Income and royalties

Open

- Collaboration
- Interoperability



A Spectrum of Competition & Collaboration

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Patent Pledges & Commons

Open Source Software Open Standards

62+ IP Centric Companies Identified... and Growing

































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IP systems - protecting and encouraging innovation

Balancing the IP rights

- Promoting proprietary innovation
- Promoting open innovation
- Promoting balance between open standards and IP rights

Possible solutions

- Public policies
 - promoting open standards
 - promoting adoption of clear and reasonable IPR policies
 - Enforcement of IP rights
- No Automatic Injunction eBay test
- License of right (LOR)





IP systems – protecting and encouraging innovation

Harmonization of IP systems

- Reducing overlap efforts patent offices and applicants
- Predictability in patent examinations for patent owners and third parties

Current undertakings

- ➤ Trilateral Offices, IP5, Examiner Exchange Program,
- PPH, Triway, New Route
- PCT Reform discussions
- Common Application Format (CAF)
- Electronic Exchange of priority documents
- Sharing prosecution history and prior art information
- Community Patent Review (CPR)
- ► Patent Quality Index (PQI)





Summary

- The nature of innovation is changing very rapidly.
- IP development, procurement, and utilization have become an essential part of the business models for many companies.
- Robust and balanced intellectual property systems are needed to protect IP rights and encourage innovation



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