

Sailing Ship Effect

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Abstract

"Necessity is the mother of Invention". It has been commonly observed that an old technology is improved when a new one takes over it and behind this intense process of improvement often lies an intentional research activity. Also thus begins a competition between the two technologies whose performances are improved via R&D. We frequently look at that a vintage era is improved whilst a new one seems; behind this procedure of development regularly lies an intentional research hobby. There for this reason starts off evolved the opposition among the second technology whose performances are stepped forward via R&D. We focus our interest on this competition method and deliver a proper model, primarily based on the optimization of R&D expenditure of each technology, which could describe the dynamics of the not on time overtaking of the new technology over the older one. This article investigates whether or not companies react to a thorough technological substitution hazard through a planned acceleration of innovation in their current technology - the 'Sailing Ship Effect'. There were repeated claims that the effect has been good sized as a source of innovation. It is usually recommended that the characteristics of ancient, technological substitution techniques prompt misinterpretation based totally on superficial information. The cause of this take a look at is to make a contribution to a higher know how of the strategic and organizational configuration that group can use to generate value with product market systems and their commercial enterprise fashions which have been dominant inside the past however compelled lower back into new positions by innovation. Also, the present work is to research the so-known as sailing ship effect. What is supposed via this word is that manner wherein the appearance of a new era engenders a response geared toward enhancing the incumbent generation. This phenomenon has been discovered pretty frequently and every now and then worries key technologies.

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Introduction

Why called Sailing Ship and how it is related with technologies? The crusing ship effect is a phenomenon or we are able to say a serial manner by which the creation of a brand new generation to a market hastens the innovation of vital era. The time period changed into delivered by way of W.H. Ward in 1967 in connection with advances made in sailing ships inside the 2nd half of the 1800s in response to the creation of steamships. According to Ward, within the 50 years after the introduction of the steam deliver, sailing ships made extra improvements than they had inside the preceding three hundred years. The time period "Sailing Ship Effect" applies to conditions wherein an antique technology is revitalized, experiencing a "last gasp" while faced with the risk of being changed with the aid of a more recent technology. In the approach field implications of a dynamically changing environment are widely researched. Innovative technology in new and quickly changing markets is the drivers to analyze questions of efficient and effective organizational bureaucracy and applicable underlying resources and abilities. Such organizational forms may additionally encompass market-related, cooperative and hierarchical elements.

We frequently observe that an antique technology is stepped forward whilst a brand new one seems; behind this procedure of development regularly lies an intentional research activity. There thus starts off evolved a competition between the two technologies whose performances are stepped forward through R&D. We awareness our attention in this opposition technique and supply a formal version, primarily based at the optimization of R&D expenditure of both technology, that may describe the dynamics of the behind schedule overtaking of the brand new technology over the antique one.

Remarks and First Assumptions

Few examples of sailing-ship effects, starting with a very important recent case: namely, the development of ADSL technology that has

slowed down the diffusion of fibre optics. In fact, two basic technologies are available for data transmission:

- (i) The traditional one, based on modem-connected copper-wire telephone lines and
- (ii) The new one based on fibre optics. The main benefits of fibre optics consist of high bandwidth, the small diameter of the cables and fairly low cost [1]. Given this technological situation, one would expect a brief overtaking system of fibre optics over modems/wires. However, in 1996, broadband modems seemed which are able to overcoming, at least in element, the bandwidth limits of the copper twine; ADSL was born and it has unfold extremely speedy.

Cooper and Schendel have considered seven different instances of technological competition between an antique and a new generation, namely vacuum tubes vs. Transistor, steam locomotives vs. Diesel-electric powered, fountain pens vs. Ball-factor pen, fossil fuel power flowers vs. Nuclear strength plants, protection razors vs. Electric razors, plane propellers vs. Jet engines and leather-based vs. Polyvinyl chloride and polymeric plastics. Their end is that: 'In every industry studied, the old generation endured to be stepped forward and reached its highest level of technical improvement after the new technology changed into delivered. For example, the smallest and most reliable vacuum tubes ever produced have been developed after the creation of the transistor'

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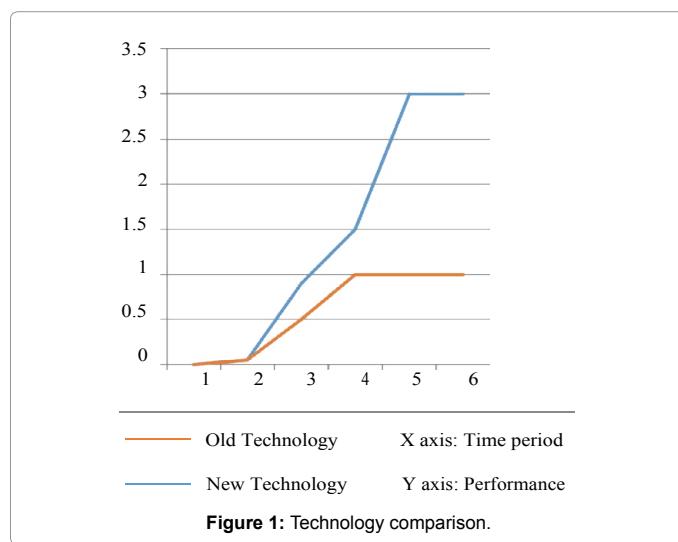
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The origin of the phrase *crusing-deliver effect* is due to the instance acknowledged by using Gilfillan who showed how the *vintage* sail ship turned into closely improved as steamships emerged during the 19th century. Improvements worried nearly all of the additives and materials of the sail ship, so that the disappearance of the sail deliver changed into delayed by means of quite an extended length. In order to make the subsequent discussion clearer, allow us to start from our fundamental result – the attainment of so that you can be illustrated step-by step later in this and the subsequent phase. What we need to do is to shed some light at the dynamics that develop within the opposition manner among technology, one in every of that's 'vintage' and the other 'new'.

The performances of the vintage technology A, (orange line) start to be stepped forward when the brand new era B, (blue line) comes into life. If we did no longer have technology B, A's performance might be represented by using a horizontal line parallel to the time axis (the dotted line denotes the latter behavior). If we did not have the reaction of technology A, generation B could overtake A's overall performance at time but, will increase, so that the overtaking of B is not on time, and occurs at a miles better overall performance degree (Figure 1).

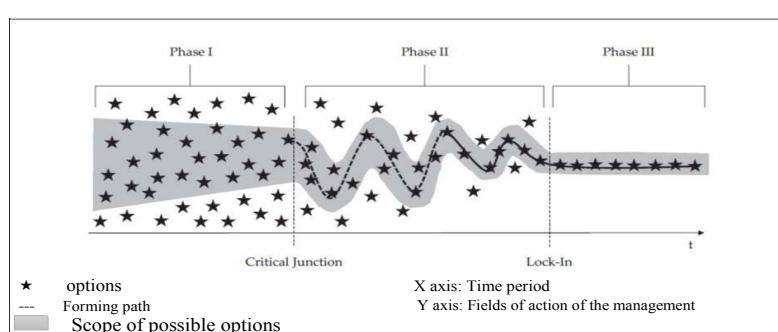
The initial situation is given by means of the existence of a monopolistic company, firm A, which resources, with the aid of using a certain generation, the entire market of a given product (or carrier). There exist monopolistic earnings that appeal to any other firm, i.e. Firm B. Firm B enters this market by way of using a more modern and potentially higher technology. Thus, when the second firm enters



the marketplace, two technologies exist, which provide the same provider; we will name A the 'vintage' and B the 'new' era. Technology, company and product could be used as interchangeable phrases. Both technologies are characterized by using a top limit in terms of overall performance; the old era A is characterized through a decrease top restrict with appreciate to the new one B. If we take a look at the history of era, from metallic production to the overall performance of computer systems or jet engines electricity, a few deterministic legal guidelines of performance growth – because of intentional efforts – have been highlighted. In addition, other fashions have had to come to a compromise: as an instance, Aghion and Howitt wrote that during their model, primarily based on Schumpeterian innovation, the length of every period that separates one innovation from the opposite is random, 'however the dating between the quantity of studies in successive periods can be modelled as deterministic'

Path Dependence as a Cause

The idea of course dependence is one of the well-established theoretical foundations within the research subject of technological continuity. Path dependence theory became at the beginning evolved by economists to provide an explanation for era adoption processes and industry evolution. The theoretical ideas have had a robust effect on evolutionary technology. The above-recognized empirical tactics take concrete the fast comings the previous research on the sailing ship effect. The phenomenon of route dependency because the early eighties within the medical evaluation of the technological change. The importance of path dependency can be illustrated inside the various factors of monetary growth and technological amendments where there is continually a beginning with several technological ideas and speculations. In this kingdom, contingency are many one-of-a-kind approaches to clear up a hassle through technological implementations (segment I). In this procedural model, it is now to an extra or less random "Small Event", a technological alternative in benefit to the alternative sets. From this crucial junction now about self-reinforcing mechanisms, a visibly static-stabilizing route of development (phase II) and out from the state of in the beginning first-rate flexibility and contingency is more and more a deterministic nation that may be traced to the best one course of development can. At a certain point in time (lock-in), this stage did so incredible there aren't any other alternatives, besides those within formerly elected in segment III. The process of positive feedback described above can be comparable cause different effects of path dependency. Thus, a high unpredictability especially at the beginning of the process of technological development on increasing inflexibility in the further course, and as well as potential inefficiencies compared to other technologies by the end of the process (Figure 2).



The Schumpeter's effect

Joseph A Schumpeter an Austrian-born American economist who is known for his contributions to monetary theory in the region of innovation and entrepreneurship. This context introduces Schumpeter's philosophy also his theoretical construct of creative destruction. He is regularly credited for beginning modern growth concept that is based totally on the inevitable derivative of the technique of development and innovation. Apart from this, Schumpeter's description of the innovation system and its diffusion remains characteristic in the present day information and technologically driven global economic system. Schumpeter's creative destruction and three firm reactions to innovation:

- Exit,
- Switch and
- The Sailing Ship Effect.

This consists of the technique of substitution of a brand new era for a present era for some defined marketplace. Schumpeter had not anything to say about the possible response of the established firms to this process; however we know from paintings in the management place that there sometimes is a lively response to the threat of creative destruction [2]. From this literature we can perceive three regularly occurring techniques of response to the procedure of substitution, which may be referred to as go out, switch (to the new era) and the sailing deliver impact (the acceleration of innovation inside the old era in reaction to the chance from the new). Before we analyses this remaining we must say something of the other. 'Exit' might also of direction be a forced outcome of creative destruction, through liquidation. However, it's miles a strategic reaction if the incumbent company anticipates troubles from future innovation and elects to go out the threatened marketplace early and to its gain over 'forced' exit.

The decision to 'transfer' from the old to the new technology is in particular thrilling and has been the point of interest for the papers mentioned above, especially Cooper and Smith 1992. This paper examines 8 product traces that experienced substitution outcomes; those variety from ball factor as opposed to ink pens, to diesel-electric as opposed to steam locomotives. Much of the evaluation concerns the behavior of 27 established corporations, decided on by using Cooper and Smith for their dominant market role inside the old generation. All of those entered the brand new generation, but few managed to set up as dominant a position within the new era as that they had in the old. A various variety of problems faced the ones wishing to switch; those included the troubles of internal companies which identified that the development of the new technology threatened their know-how and energy; to the problems of judging how the brand new generation could develop and which old skills could be retained and which need to be shed.

Technology S-curve

The technology life cycle which is concerned with the time and performance of developing the technology, the timeline of recovering cost, and modes of making the technology yield a profit proportionate to the costs and risks involved. The four phases of the technology life-cycle:

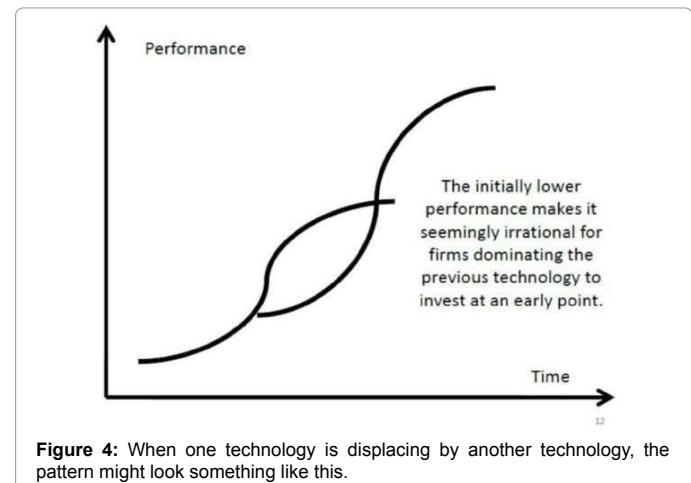
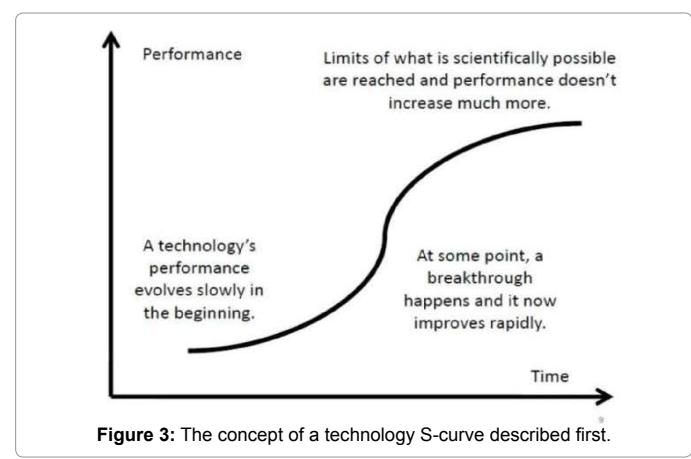
1. Research and Development (R&D) phase: when incomes from inputs are negative and where the prospects of failure are high.
2. Ascent phase when out-of-pocket costs have been recovered and the technology begins to gather strength.

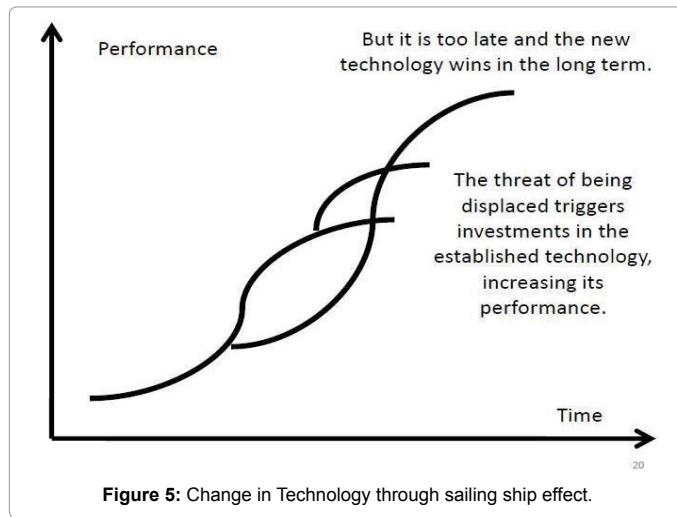
3. Maturity phase when gain is high and stable i.e. the region going into saturation.

4. Decline phase of reducing fortunes and utility of the technology (Figures 3 and 4).

Gilfillan in 1935 introduced modified models of endogenous innovation to allow the possibility of innovation activity could lead to an increase variety of different solution of similar problem. An increased variety of technologies (in terms of their number and function) will increase the number of utility of an average consumer. If however, continued improvement in this variety of technologies requires increased research input, a rise in the scale of market could enhance the equilibrium quantity of R&D without increasing economy growth rate. Also, the increased product variety brought by increased market size might reduce the returns to improved product quality paradoxically reducing economy growth rate while increasing total resources to R&D (Figure 5).

When the pre-existing technology is been accelerated with unique innovation and creativity we can observe the effectiveness of the technology with respect to the time, this leads to the threat to established technology which usually triggers existing companies to improve it. This notion comes from an observation by S.C. Gilfillan who noted that the best sailing ships were produced when steam ships had already displaced them.





Overview of various approaches of sailing ship-effect

Common to all definitions is the element that emerges after a new, normally probably more effective era innovations within the vintage era. Almost all of these definitions continue to be together that a strategic impetus on the part of providers of antique technology. The furthest on this regard are probably Adner and Snow discussing in element the various sub-alternatives of reaction scrutinize for brand spanking new technologies others describe it as an alternative the phenomenon from a macro attitude and do no longer genuinely go up the strategic selection to compete old vs. new era. Another remark thinking about the present literature the definition of sailing-ship behavior is the regularly terrible connotation this behavior. This connotation also reveals its approval inside the extensive. Most of the innovation literature that implicitly "prefers" the brand new generation and adhering to the old as the long term regularly makes little feel without honestly substantiating this in character cases. Based on the definition processes shown, the following system need to be accompanied The following summarized definition applies: The Sailing Ship Effect describes the phenomenon that providers of set up era after thawing new era threatening hooked up generation with over-fashionable innovation efforts inside the key performance dimensions.

Thus, the proposed definition consists of both a strategic one factor that reacts to the sailing deliver effect as a selectable method understand new and perilous technologies, in addition to the aspect this is "regular" innovation inside the everyday industry competition isn't sufficient that's feature of the crusing ship impact. The last factor gives by emphasizing relevant and possibly new performance Dimensions depend upon the sailing-deliver impact specific to the new one Technology should be focused. Furthermore, supernormal innovation efforts those are not restricted to, for example, normal opposition.

Empirical Approaches

The investigation of the Sailing Ship Effect focuses in particular on narrative approaches in which various technological changes have been written. In the following overview, the central contents the existing case studies on technological change with special focus on the innovative response of the old technology are presented:

- Propeller versus jet

In the civil aviation industry after the Second World War for USA

and UK, the jet Engine technology introduced. Especially the first jet planes kept to the classic design sign and were therefore at high speeds and unstable. Only the Boeing 707 reached high stability due to new design. The old technology first responds to the offer cheaper machines and gave way to segments with high stability requirements which is designed for play military transport machines

- Gas lamp versus light bulb

With the appearance of Edison's light bulb, the suppliers of gas lamps called the so-called "Welsbach Mantle", which improves the efficiency of gas lamps lead to increase by a factor of about five. As a result, the displacement could be light bulbs are still delayed for some time become.

- Electric tubes versus transistor

Suppliers of traditional electric tube Technology tried to threaten transistors by a much improved price performance ratio in the market to counter. So were the most reliable and smallest electric tubes after the introduction of the transistors offered [3].

- Digital versus analog cameras

The first CCD sensor for digital display became Kodak in the 1960s developed. This first diffused in a lot special areas (for example, optical Quality control, and space flight). For the Consumer market formed in the 1990s Alternatives in old technology (for example APS format), which is an enforcement of new technology delayed even longer.

- 2G versus 3G mobile

With the emergence of technological innovations of UMTS technology (3G) was the former standard 2G by packet data once again significantly accelerated. With this innovation (EDGE technology) took the old technology after the emergence of the new technology once again has a clear performance jump.

Microeconomic approaches

In addition to the narrative methods, another department has been explored of the Sailing Ship-Effect as part of formal evaluation. Here current examples are in particular the work of De Liso and Filatrel. They go in their first micro-economically sound technique from a monopolist A with antique technology and an entrant B with new generation. Furthermore, technologically determined higher limit for the respective performance of the technology, the vintage one era has decrease most performance than the new one technology. Both technologies can be up to this most by means of improved studies and development (R&D) enter from agencies based totally on decreasing marginal utility lies. The dynamic model world as a consequence formulated permits the willpower of profit-most beneficial R&D budgets on the a part of the dealer of the vintage era as a reaction approach to the new generation. These effects in the profit of the dealer of the new technology A (comparable applies to the old B) from the formulation:

$$\pi_{(t+1)} = (p-c)q_{(t+1)} - R_{(t)}(1+r)$$

Where π describes the profit of the monopolist in the length $t+1$. This on the only hand consists of the direct income, including the income span (computer) increased via the set quantity q , from the paragraph of product in addition to the hobby-bearing expenses for R&D of the previous duration ($R(t)(1+r)$) collectively. At the moment wherein there is no competitor with new Technology, the organization

does not spend R&D prices. Thus is $R(t)=0$ and the set quantity q corresponds to the entire market extent Q .

Furthermore, by the adding interest r the alternative to R&D by investing in one other line of business or investment in the capital market for R&D budget minded. The determination of the R budget R is based on the only use the old technology at the profit maximization principle and seeks therefore the maximum profit R budget R , assuming that R&D investment always leads to improvements in the performance of technology lead logistic. The change in performance through R&D is presented through the performance function fP , which depends on the current performance level $P(t)$ and R&D investment $R(t)$. This behavior is shown by the following formula:

$$P_{(t+j)} = P_{(t)} + fP(P_{(t)}, R_{(t)})$$

Thus, the performance level in the period $(t+j)$ results from the previous one performance level in t as well as the R&D induced improvement. Further, the authors assume that the market share, for the provider of the old Technology A.

Research approaches to the existence of sailing ship-effect

Studies did take the phenomenon of the Sailing-Ship-Effect, must meet the constraints of formerly present research. The primary predicament of the prevailing research can condense out that labored empirically in locations lacking and so no chewing ointment dating may be derived. Therefore shall a concrete technological shear paradigm shift is Analyzed to check the hypothesis of Sailing Ship-Effect test. The phenomenon of the Sailing-Ship-Effect can be applied to caution special ranges within the technological implementation technique grow to be. Such a competition can take vicinity as early as the R&D section or optimistic desk with precise products inside the markets. Around the significant for testing standing testimony to the modern effect of the emergence of latest technology to analyze power on vintage generation. It seems necessary therefore to mix numerous strategies. First, its miles manageable did particular research and improvement choices in businesses look at. For this, the real R&D price range at project level should analyze be time beyond regulation. The actual allocation of resources in entrepreneurial rule budgeting method will display clear route selections and weightings among competing technology as every other proxy for the Sailing ship impact specific

patent can be used. For examination of the volume of the Sailing ship effect surely effect on products in the market, has to analysis Appear the concrete product innovations in the car market place powerful. As third birthday party approach ought to be in addition investigated how the perceived hazard of the new technology truly have an effect on concrete home has innovation decisions within the agencies in the car enterprise.

Analysis of Research and Development Portfolio

One possible technique to evaluation of the Sailing deliver-Effect is the loading of R&D price range decisions. So ought to the precise R&D budgets lower on authentic venture degree over duration to the effect Examined be to which competing era the budgeted R&D making contribution to the challenge. If synthesis finances decisions for brand spanking new or for the antique generation now has several relevant organization inside observed the field of technology have been available, will be examined how funding in new generation have on effect on have investments in antique technology. The R&D price range, as proven above, as a proxy for the income expectation of corporate control to be of understood. Thus, it reflects the anticipated marketplace opportunities the initiatives beneath attention respectively. One possible impact among the budget allocation within the new technology and the finances allocation for the antique Technology could be a robust indication of the life of the Sailing ships its impact. With looking for a research method could immediately correspondingly on the modeled variations (Figure 6).

The importance of course dependency objectives did through static and dynamic economies of scales inside the market cause superb remarks status quo, which in flip can supply rise to sub-most excellent consequences on markets. The predominant motives for this are Firstly of scale, thereby related economies of scale and manufacturers varied experience curve outcomes, focusing on the cumulative manufacturing refer production amount (dynamic scale). The phenomenon of direct community externalities describes the relationship that character expenses of the usage of an asset with increasing frequency of use due to physical or technological situations. For every additional person brings searching for a community true for him and all different customers with additional fee [4]. An imperative example of looking for consequences is network infrastructure, together with cellphone networks, networks

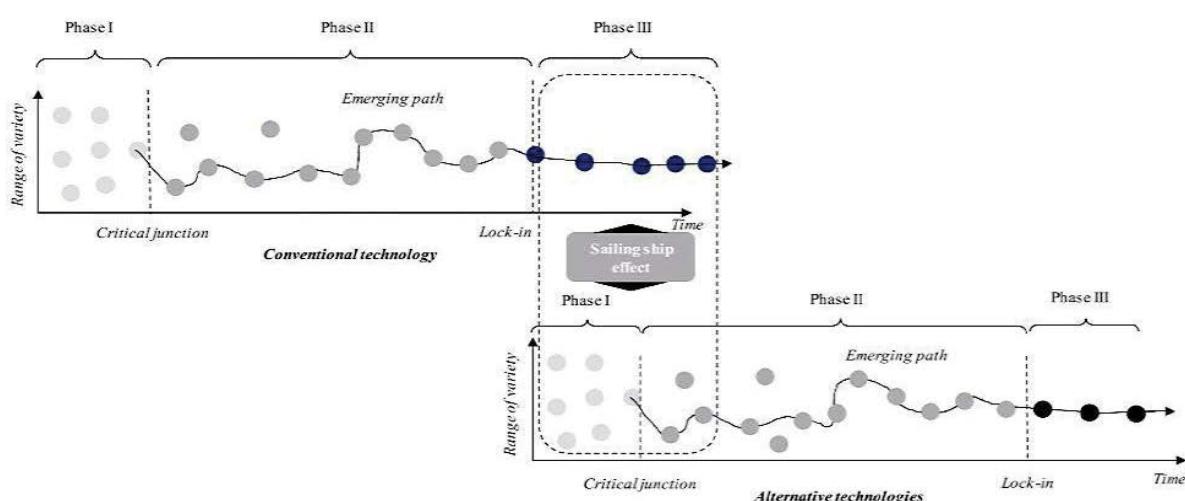


Figure 6: Sailing ship effect between two path dependent technological trajectories.

rail or power grids. Everyone every other user of a phone network, For Example, brings all other customers important introduced cost as it extends attainment of the network. A comparable common sense is consequently difficulty to social networking web sites. With each person every other person creates the community extra benefit because greater users are attainable. As a very last motive of the loading route dependencies founding advantageous remarks results can be patron-facet set up inner dynamics of getting to know tactics. Thus, customers get used to positive wonderful product magnificence and shape for this motive with the time of particular knowledge. Now if a change to any other technology finished, this software knowledge tied to a massive element. When it already probably overall performance from a technological perspective are processing extra effective opportunity out of doors the route considered [5]. From a theoretical perspective version course dependence can follow in query are provided for technological opposition [6].

Conclusion

The predominant objective of these paintings became to offer a proper version capable of describing the fundamental dynamics of the sailing-ship impact: the advent of a new technology stimulates a response of the incumbent era, in order that the latter survives for an unexpected lengthy period that is the result of rational allocation of resources in R&D. The new lease of lifestyles comes from intentional motion, i.e. R&D, geared toward enhancing the performance of the incumbent technology. In doing this, we attain the most appropriate expenditure on R&D that the incumbent ought to undergo. Thus, the brand new generation overtakes the antique one later than would have befall without enhancements, and at a higher degree of overall performance. We have based our simulations on profit maximization and, as traditional; we have made a few assumptions to preserve the model as easy as possible. In this manner, we were able to pick out

the most excellent degree of investments in R&D as the result of profit maximization. Different capabilities might have been taken into consideration on the charge of a far extra complex model, whose heuristic abilities, but, might have no longer been progressed, this is, and the qualitative outcomes would no longer trade.

As we've visible, in the end the brand new era overtakes the vintage one; however, this overtaking takes place at a later time than would have occurred if the old technology had now not been progressed, and then overtaking takes place at a better degree of the performance for each technology – a higher overall performance that would have in no way been reached, had the new generation by no means regarded. We want to pressure that this postpone in overtaking in performance is a qualitative end result that does not rely upon the parameters 'values. To finish regardless of its simplistic assumptions and notwithstanding being primarily based on simulations, the version we propose can deliver an account of the processes of competition that develops among new and old technology.

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