

# MANAGING THE ADOPTION OF TECHNOLOGY IN THE FIELD

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# WHAT WE'LL COVER

- Setting the Stage Technology in Construction
- Why Construction firms need to adopt mobile technology
- What are the pitfalls to a technology strategy
- **How** to adopt and implement a technology strategy that works
- The future is bright to those who adopt!



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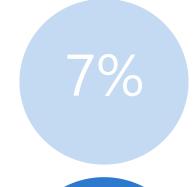
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#### **OUR INDUSTRY**



of the worlds workforce works within the construction industry.



... more like \$10 trillion globally.



years behind in the adoption and use of technology in day-today work.



#### TECHNOLOGY ADOPTION IN CONSTRUCTION



of construction firms are utilizing BIM, but do not invest in a single integrated PM system.



of construction firms are utilizing mobile technologies that are not linking to an integrated system or ERP



of construction firms used **1% or less** of their revenue to invest in technology.



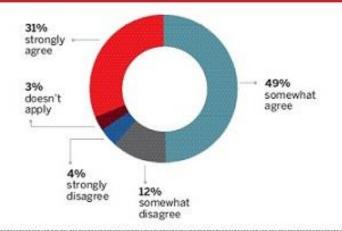
## CHANGE HAPPENS FAST

Despite the evidence that technology change is a very real force shaping the business landscape, most people are ignoring the forces at work

- The 2017 survey at the right includes over 300+ execs at firms with more than \$2B in revenue
- Only 4% of execs surveyed disagreed with a need to transform their business
- Yet just 10% expected competition from new industries

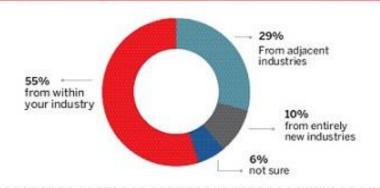
#### **Chart 2: Most Executives Say They Need to Transform**

To what degree do you agree or disagree with this statement: "Our company recognizes the need to transform—that is, to change our core offerings or business model—in response to rapidly changing markets and disruption."



#### Chart 3: Most Executives Expect Competitors to Remain the Same

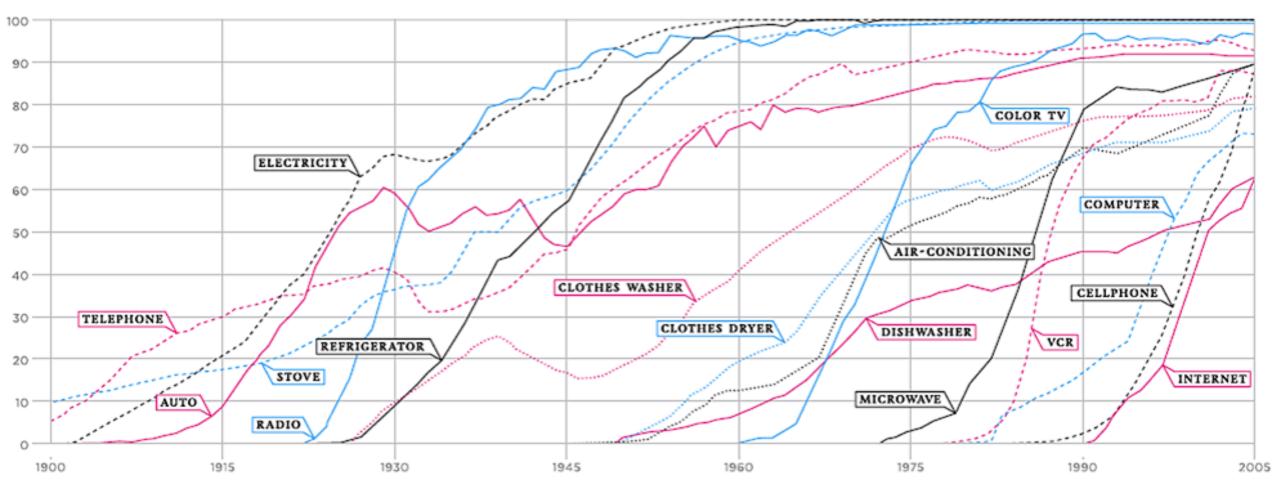
Where do you see the greatest competition coming from in the next five years?



Data: 2017 Innosight survey of 300+ executives at firms with \$2B+ in revenues



# DIGITAL DISRUPTION



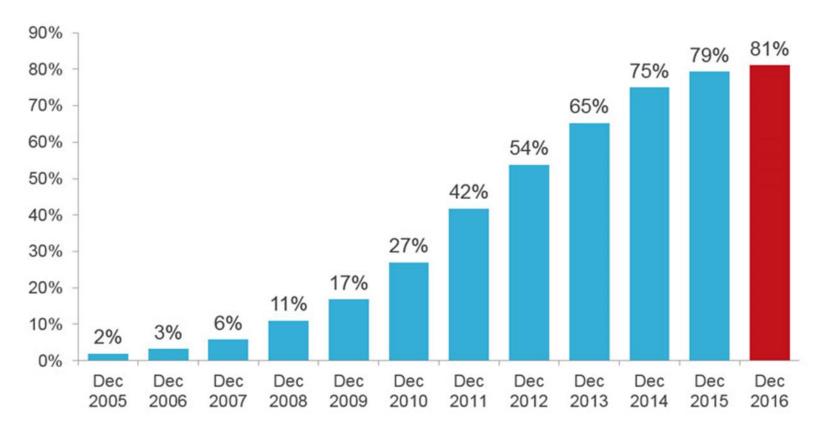
It took electricity over **30 years** to reach **80%** of households It took cell phones less than **10 years**!



#### DIGITAL DISRUPTION

Smartphone Penetration of Mobile Phone Market

Source: comScore MobiLens, U.S., Age 13+, 3 Mo. Avg. Ending Dec 2005 - 3 Mo. Avg. Ending Dec 2016



Over 80% of Americans aged 13 or older have a smartphone





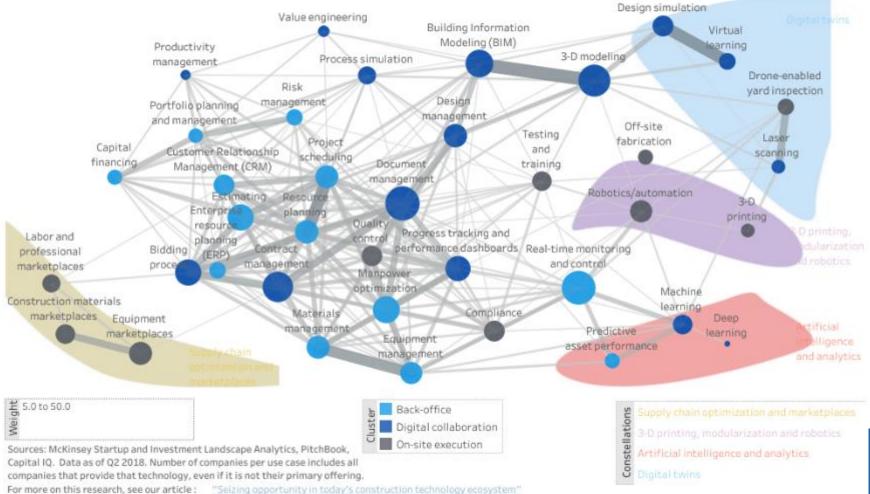
### CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY ECOSYTEM

#### Mapping the construction technology ecosystem

McKinsey analyzed the growing construction technology landscape to look for trends and constellations of activity around established and emerging use cases. Thicker lines connecting two use cases indicate a greater number of technology companies offering both technologies simultaneously.

Click on a use case/technology to view its related solutions. Use the zoom options and weight slider to explore the relationships between different technologies. To isolate technologies by functional cluster or constellation, click to highlight or select the option to filter. Zoom / unfilter by clicking the same option again or the white space.

Today, the most prominent constellations include 3-D printing, modularization, and robotics; digital twin technology; artificial intelligence (AI) and analytics; and supply chain optimization and marketplaces





# LABOR SHORTAGES AND IMPACT OF AUTOMATION

- The construction industry added **210,000 jobs** in 2017
  - This is up from the 155,000 added in 2016 but still down from the 336,000 added back in 2015.
- **75%** of firms are planning to add headcount in 2018.
- 78% of firms are currently having a hard time filling skilled labor positions and 82% of firms expect it to remain difficult or become harder to do so.
- A 2017 survey found that only 3% of young adults wanted to pursue construction based careers.

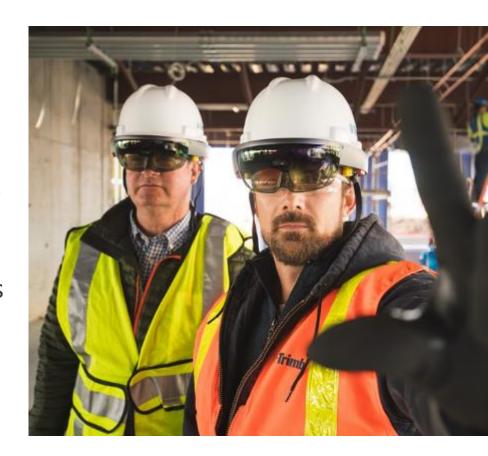


This guy is the #3 Google Image result for 'young construction worker'



### TECHNOLOGY ON THE JOBSITE

- According to OSHA, **21.4%** of all worker fatalities in the U.S. in 2015 occurred in the construction industry.
- Microsoft has used construction as the industry for Proof of Concept demos at the last two Microsoft Build Developers Conference
  - Jobsite Safety and Access Control with Al-enabled Cameras
  - Drone-powered Visual Inspections and Automated Work Order Issuance
- Caterpillar CAT Detect and CAT Smartband stop machines from reversing into people and stop tired operators from making mistakes
- Triax and XOi are bringing wearables to the jobsite that solve real-world use cases in safety, job cost, etc.







### ADOPTING TECH AND FAST!

- From downturn to upswing
  - Cutting costs and minimal margins
  - LEAN methodologies
- Owners are demanding it
  - Virtual Reality (VR)
  - Document Control/Content Services
  - Collaboration
  - Financial Reporting
  - Change Control



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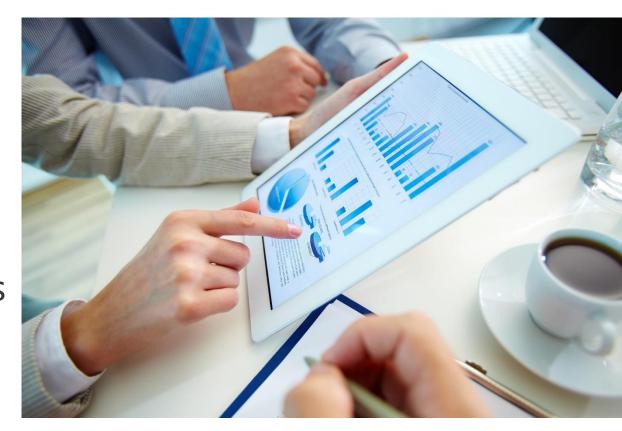
- Getting passed by your competition
  - Opportunities for efficiency, streamlining, reducing rework, and improving customer experience
- Labor shortages and knowledge transfer
  - Changes in the working generation require technology adoption
- Standardization within the industry
  - Use of BIM and requirements for public projects
- Processes and reporting mechanisms are outdated
  - In the era of BIG Data, need to be able to utilize (and quickly) the information made available to you
- High fragmentation





## 10 PITFALLS TO A TECH STRATEGY

- 1) Lack of alignment
- 2) No roll-out strategy
- 3) Lack of implementation team, or wrong members on team
- 4) No integration plan, therein creating more information silos
- 5) Focus on cost and process without mapping out business value



### 10 PITFALLS TO A TECH STRATEGY

- 6) Poor resource allocation
  - People Time
  - Device allocation
  - Infrastructure
- 7) Single reward for a single person/department
- 8) Capital expenditures on hardware without clear ROI
- 9) Pushback due to reliance on outdated manual processes and paper
- 10) Assumptions that end users can't/won't adapt









#### ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT THE RIGHT WAY

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1 Create the Team
2|Set Your Goals
      3|Evaluate Solutions
             4|Selection
                    5|Plan
                          6|Implement
                                 7|Monitor
                                       8|Repeat
                                              9|Change Management
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- Stakeholders
  - Those affected by change
- IT Department
  - Responsible for all aspects of technical implementation
- Executive Sponsor
  - Champions the project for the company aka "Chief Accountability Officer
- Implementors
  - Responsible for training and roll-out
- Project Manager
  - Maintains the plan and schedule



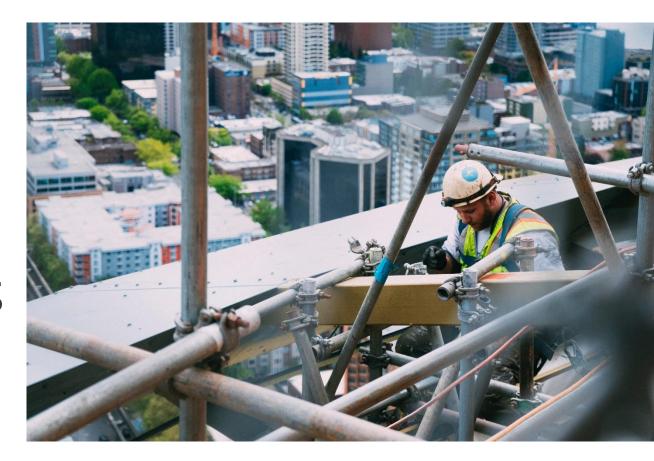


# 2 SET YOUR GOALS

- Avoid Ad-Hoc one-offs
- Discuss over-arching objectives
- Owned by the "Integrator"
- Draft "Needs Analysis"
- Finalize and use as North Star

# 3 EVALUATE SOLUTIONS

- 1) Creation of RFP
- 2) Checklist of Requirements
- 3) Pull Together Available Solutions
- 4) Review Solutions Against Solutions



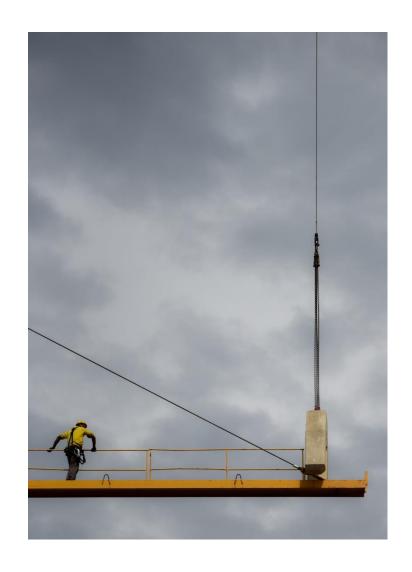


# 4 | SELECTION

- Review all solutions
  - Pros/Cons
  - References
  - Finalize Decision

# 5 PLAN

- Create:
  - Project Charter
  - RACI Matrix
  - Project Plan
- Use as accountability tools
- Clear expectations



# 6 IMPLEMENT

# Create a training plan that works:

- 1. Level set on all questions upfront
- 2. Build training materials geared towards end user
  - Simple vs Complex
- 3. Generate end user buy-in by creating a subset of "Subject Matter Experts"
- 4. Short and deliberate
- 5. Offer multiple training opportunities
- 6. Support your end users

# 7 MONITOR

- Create Scorecard
- Review trends and insights

# 8 REPEAT

- Never ending
- Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO)





# 9 CHANGE MANAGEMENT

# Technology does not solve business problems – It is merely a tool in the bigger equation.

Technology = Change = Emotions

- Anger
- Fear
- Rejection
- Resistance
- Tolerance
- Embrace





# 9 CHANGE MANAGEMENT

#### The 3 steps of change:

- Endings (where Negative Emotional Reaction 'NER's' are prevalent)
- Transitions
- Beginnings

#### Managing the emotional steps of change

- 1) Involvement
- 2) Clear benefit statements
- 3) Acknowledge and empathize with any negative emotions, and allow your people to vent
- 4) Sell the problem, not just the vision
- 5) Build in rewards
- 6) Provide as much training and support as possible
- 7) Be aware that every individual will be on their own 'Change Journey'







#### FUTURE OUTLOOK



deployments of BIM are covered by the cost-savings of the first initial deployment through productivity and iterations.



billion has been invested into the technology industry as it relates to construction from 2011 to 2017.



if it's done right, your technology budget can go from a cost center to a profit center.

#### FUTURE OUTLOOK

# Real time reporting means real time decision making!

- Job Cost Management
- Manpower analysis
- Safety Incident management
- Construction delays
- Material & Equipment needs
- Change Management

#### Create efficiencies by being agile and Lean:

- Labor Planning
- Material Planning
- Equipment Planning





### FUTURE OUTLOOK

## Keep an eye open for:

- Tech innovators and disrupters are now zeroing in on fraud prevention and cash flow efficiencies.
- Digital Project Collaboration will continue to evolve, linking not only the field to the office, but all parties involved on a project.
- Wearables will become smarter and easier to use, pushing and pulling data to our field force
- Drone Imagery will get stronger and faster, allowing more site analytics
- Robots are real, check YouTube for the bricklaying robot





# QUESTIONS?





THANK YOU!