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Leveraging Big Data in Agriculture Production

i Farming – A Lucrative or Ludicrous Journey?

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#### How this started





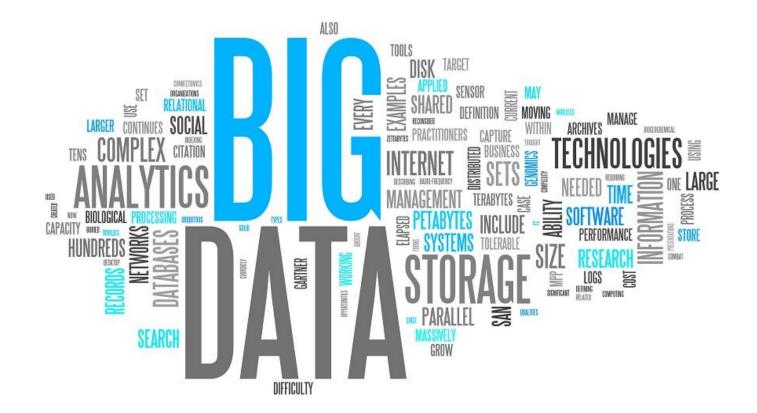


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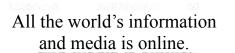


# Data & technology are transforming virtually every industry



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Mobile devices mean anyone can reach anyone, anywhere, anytime. Cloud computing puts a supercomputer in your pocket.

# Our journey is to demystify the role of data technology in production agriculture





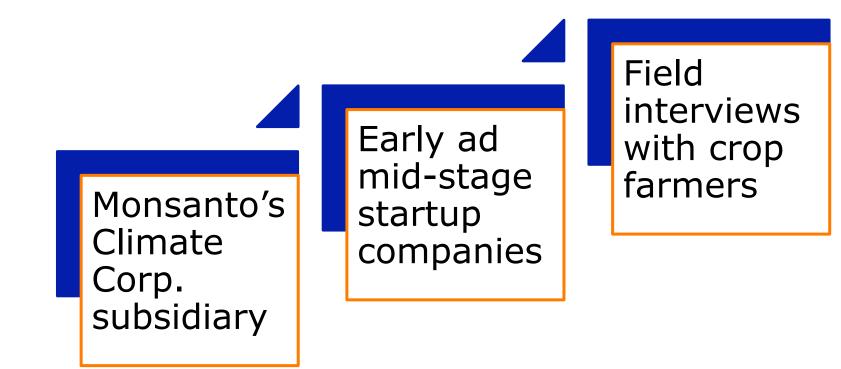
# Preliminary conclusion: there is a disconnect







## What we have studied / done so far

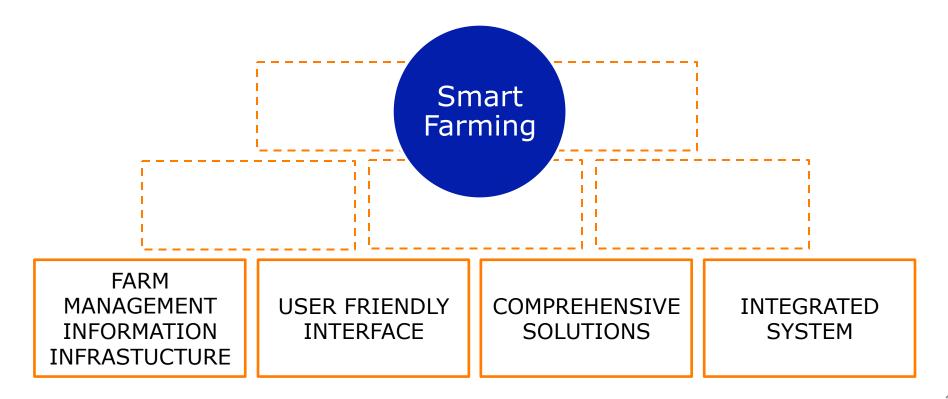


# The Smart Farming concept makes sense:









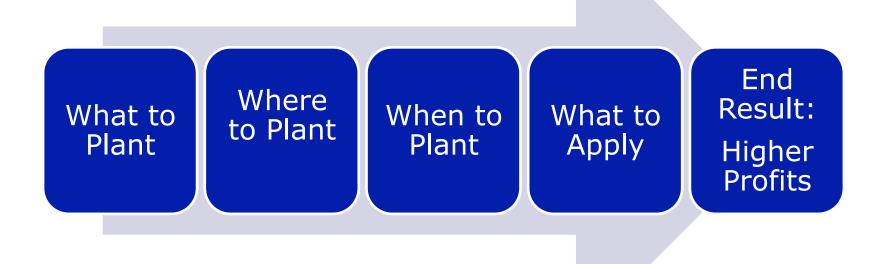
These building blocks are prerequisites for finding the Holy Grail *(i.e., "Prescriptive" or "Smart" Farming)* 





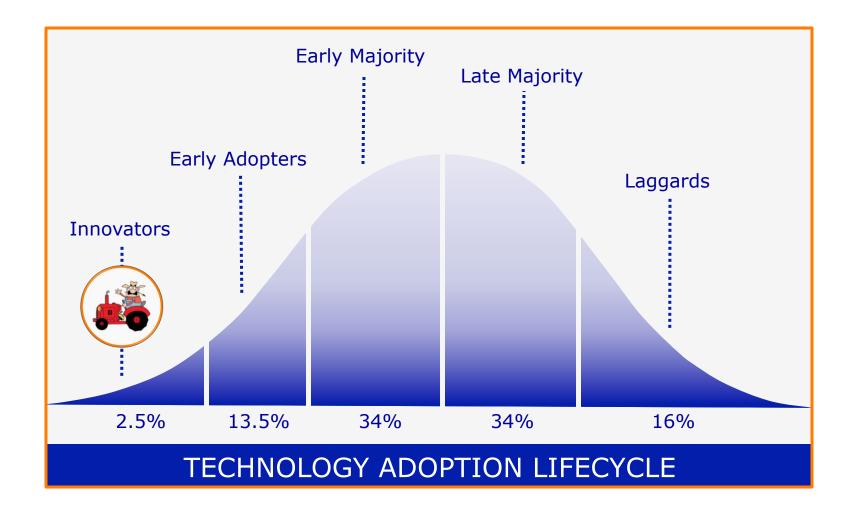


# In future Ag Tech should generate value by informing:



# Real value will drive user adoption





# Who's Who today in Ag Tech

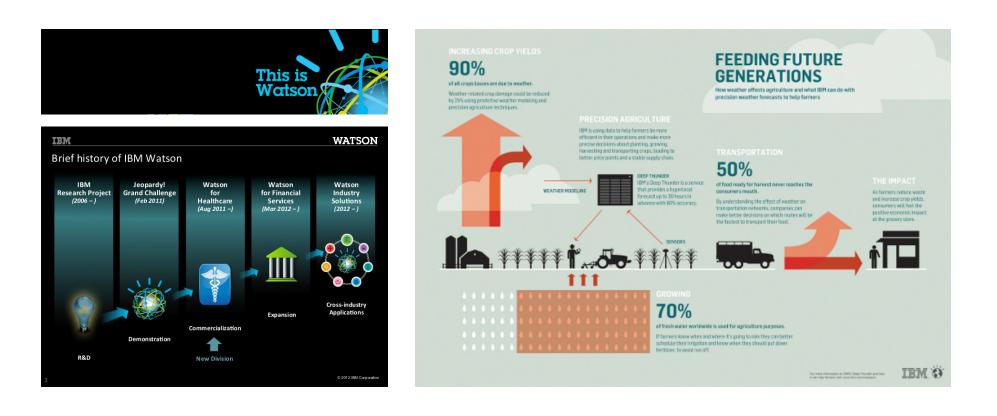




# Who might be coming tomorrow?



#### **IBM Watson?**



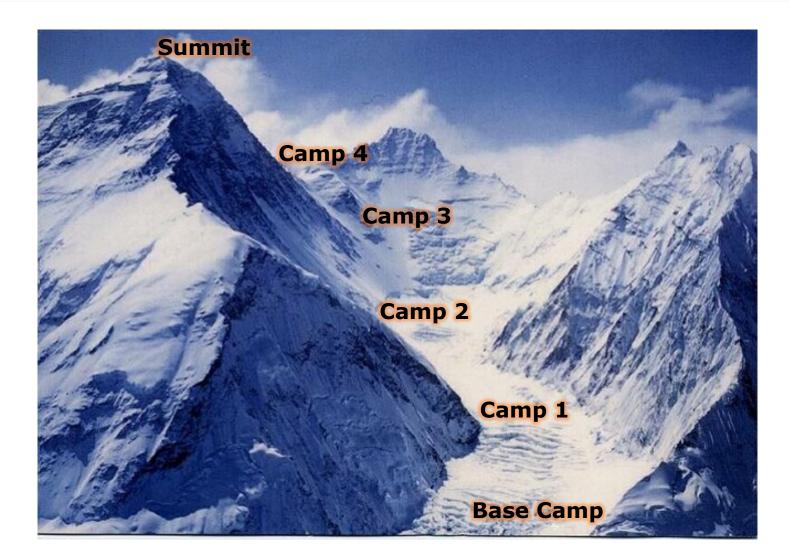
# **Parting Thoughts**



- Innovation in agriculture has been around as long as humans have tilled the earth
- Data technology has the potential to create significant value in farming
- However, the journey will be a long and arduous one, with several alternative routes and courses of action
- What is certain is mankind has a good track record of ascending to new technological heights
- It's only a matter of time before we "crack the code" on Data Technology and Smart Farming

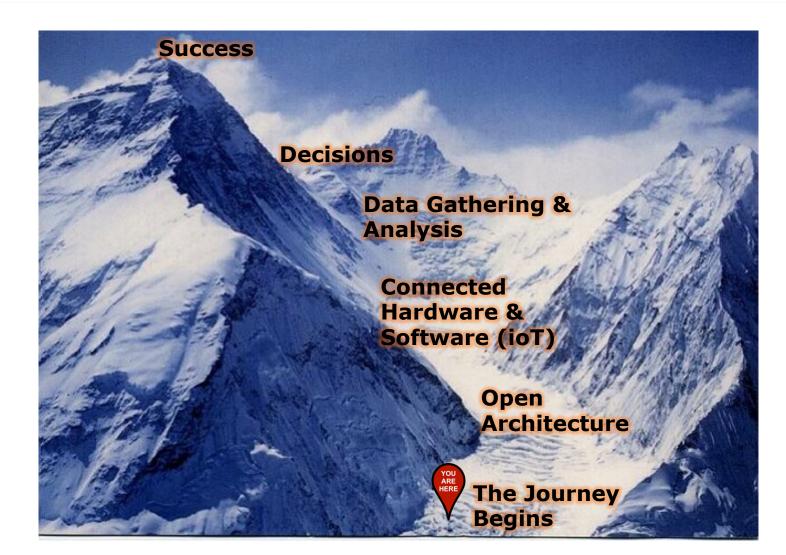
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#### **Questions & Answers**



Thank you for listening!



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