



Introduzione al
Free-Libre
Open Source Software
(FLOSS)
per N&SM

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Four Freedoms about FLOSS



#0 : freedom to run the program, for any purpose

#1 : freedom to study how the program works,
and adapt it to your needs

#2 : freedom to redistribute copies
so you can help your neighbor

#3 : freedom to improve the program,
and release your improvements to the public,
so that the whole community benefits

Ten myths about FLOSS (1)



#1 : It's a Linux-vs-Windows thing

#2 : FLOSS is not reliable or supported

#3 : Big companies don't use FLOSS

#4 : FLOSS is hostile to intellectual property

#5 : FLOSS is all about licenses

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Ten myths about FLOSS (2)



#6 : If I give away my software to the FLOSS community, thousands of developers will suddenly start working for me for nothing

#7 : FLOSS only matters to programmers, since most users never look under the hood anyway

#8 : There is no money to be made on FLOSS

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Ten myths about FLOSS (3)



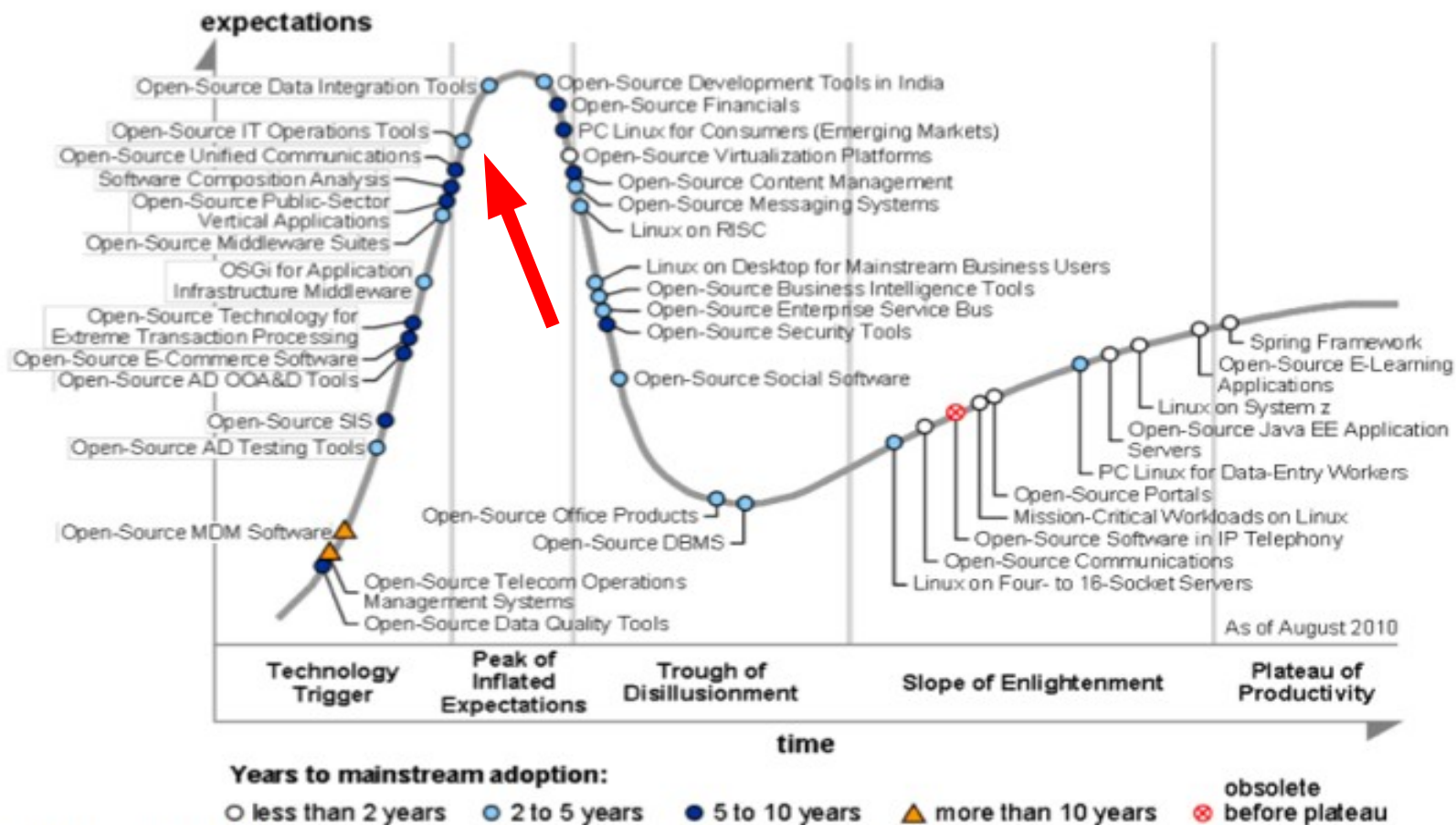
#9 : The FLOSS movement isn't sustainable, since people will stop developing free software once they see others making lots of money from their efforts

#10 : FLOSS is playing catch-up to Microsoft and the commercial world

Gartner Group about FLOSS



Figure 1. Hype Cycle for Open-Source Software, 2010



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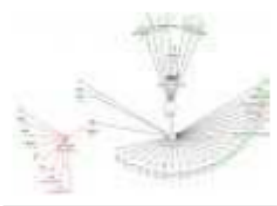
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