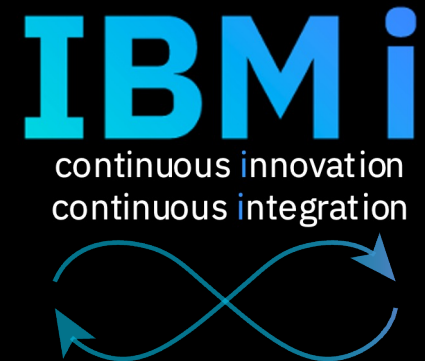


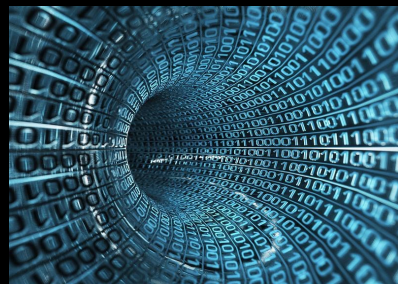
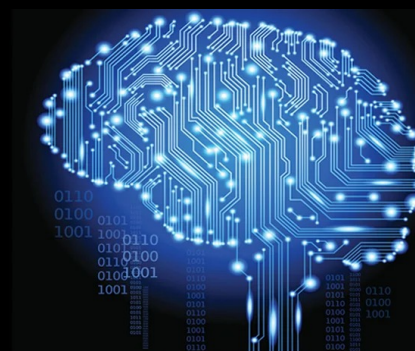
AI & the Future of IBM i

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IBM i Strategy



Power Solutions

- Enable clients to exploit latest Power technology
- Enable transformation of customer solutions with new value
 - Mobile, Internet of Things, Cognitive, Machine Learning and AI
- Enable Solutions to modernize around services, hybrid cloud and DevOps



Open Platform for Choice

- Grow IBM i solutions options including
 - Modern RPG & Open source technologies
- Flexible options
 - On-prem and/or Hybrid Cloud - inside or outside Data Center
- Entice new talent with popular open languages and tools



The *Integrated* Promise of IBM i

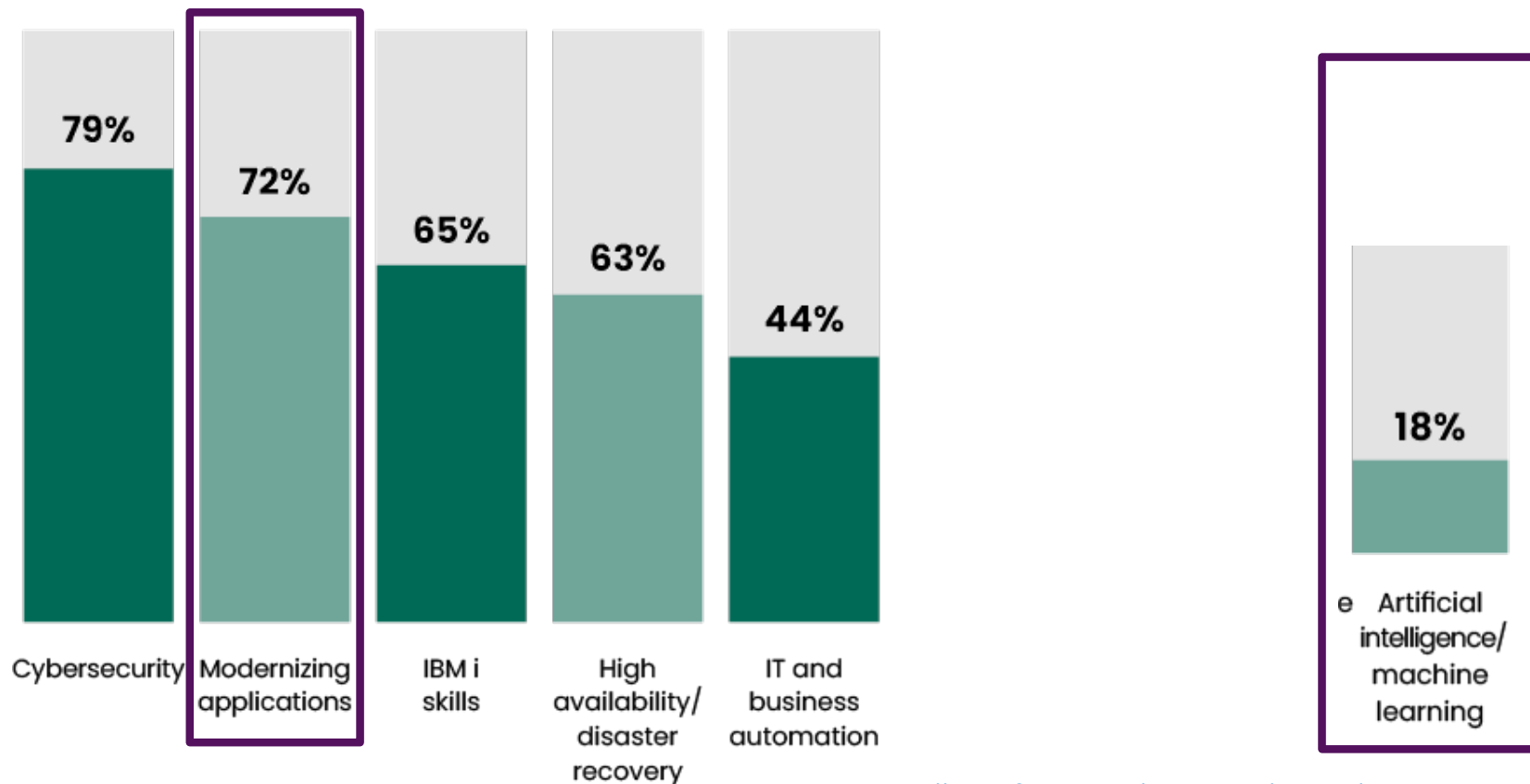
- Deliver a simple, high value platform for business applications
- Provide exceptional security and resiliency for critical business data
- Leverage IBM systems, storage and software technologies



<https://www.ibm.com/it-infrastructure/us-en/resources/power/i-strategy-roadmap/>

Top IT Concerns

What are your top 5 concerns as you plan your IT environment?



IBM i & AI – Three Clear Use Cases



Db2 Data Analytics

- Trend analysis
- Anomaly detection

Operations

- Active monitoring / alerting
- Self-healing

Developer Experience

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- Understand code

IBM i & AI – Three Clear Use Cases



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IBM i and AI – Experience so far centers on transactions & data

- ~2016+ – Customers use IBM i Open Source to implement AI on IBM i
 - Credit Score validation and risk assessment
 - Training for Agricultural Business ERP
 - Tracking/Predicting food safety
 - Guiding/Predicting customer preferences pre-manufacturing
 - Chat-bots for operations and customer Q&A
- 2021+
 - Power10 Announce demo – IBM i workload integrating P10 MMA Linux
 - Various client engagements to nurture and PoC AI enablement technology
- Watson Geospatial integrated into Db2 for i
 - Immediately picked up by several clients in logistics, agriculture, etc.

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AI Workloads

AI Analytics / Fraud Detection

1. AnswerRocket
2. Cognos / IBM Watson Analytics
3. Power BI
4. Oracle Analytics Cloud
5. The Analytics OS (Pyramid v2020)
6. Qlik
7. Einstein Analytics Platform
8. SAP Analytics Cloud
9. SAS Visual Analytics
10. Sisense

Ref: <https://solutionsreview.com/business-intelligence/the-best-ai-analytics-software-tools/>

AI Ops

1. AppDynamics
2. DataDog
3. BigPanda
4. New Relic
5. Instana
6. Moogsoft
7. LogicMonitor
8. Splunk Enterprise
9. PagerDuty
10. BMC

Ref: <https://www.unite.ai/top-aiops-platforms-tools/>

IBM i Strategy



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AI that works with **their** solutions & data
AI that helps their developers write and modernize solutions



Open Platform for Choice

AI options



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AI that's easy to deploy & manage



RPG Code Assist Base Features



An IBM i Code assist tool should help programmers work with existing RPG

- Examine and Explain existing code
- Generate modern free-format ILE RPG based on a description
- Write test programs for RPG
- ... and, if possible, transform older RPG into modern, ILE-based free-format

Tentative Timeline for "RPG Code Assistant"

- Summer 2024
 - Gather training material
 - IBM manuals, redbooks, presentations, test cases
 - RPG Champion material, such as books
 - Community-provided code
 - Learn enough about model training to select the right development path
- Fall 2024
 - Initial training
 - Includes baseline measurements of selected LLM
 - "Pre-train" with large unstructured (un-paired) material
 - Enter a "measure, fine-tune" cycle
 - Talking to advisors in the community ("Sponsor Users")
 - Technical & Offering
- Early 2025
 - "Alpha" with Technical Sponsor Users
- Later 2025
 - "Beta" then GA an offering
 - Hope to make the trained LLM available outside the offering

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