# Proprietary vs. Open Markets in IT Apple, Microsoft, Google

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### **Conceptual Background**

#### Intellectual Property Rights (IRPS):

"the main social purpose of protection of copyright and related rights is to encourage and reward creative work."

#### Ownership and licensing:

- Ownership still belongs to developer
- ▶ Different software licenses  $\rightarrow$  different rights for the user
- Controversial areas  $\rightarrow$  used software?

#### Software market attributes

Using them to create proprietary markets

# Software Distribution Process

#### Mobile devices

- Centralized mobile application portals
- Two-sided markets
- ► Tight control  $\rightarrow$  advantage for platform owner  $\rightarrow$  harm competition? (Sotify vs. Apple)

#### Personal computers

- Trend of centralization
- Lack of success yet

#### Enterprises

- Volume licensing
- Bundling
- Software as Service (SaaS)

## **Creating Proprietary Markets**

#### Preinstalled operating systems

- Convenient for users
- Impact on market freedom
- Warranty issues

#### **Preinstalled** applications

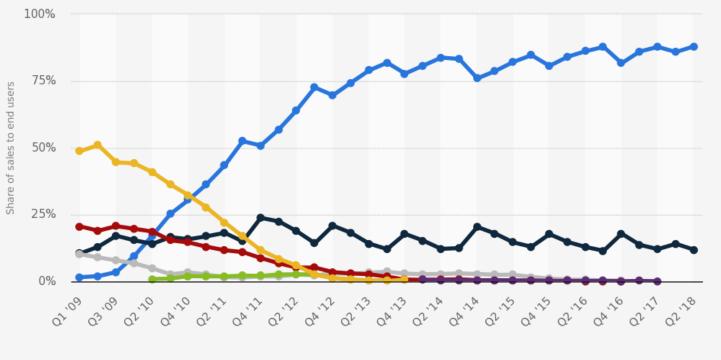
- Business model
- Legal cases (Internet Explorer, Google Apps)

#### Controlled ecosystems

- Devices
- Software
- Services

### Impact on Market Openness

Global market share held by the leading smartphone operating systems in sales to end users from 1st quarter 2009 to 2nd quarter 2018

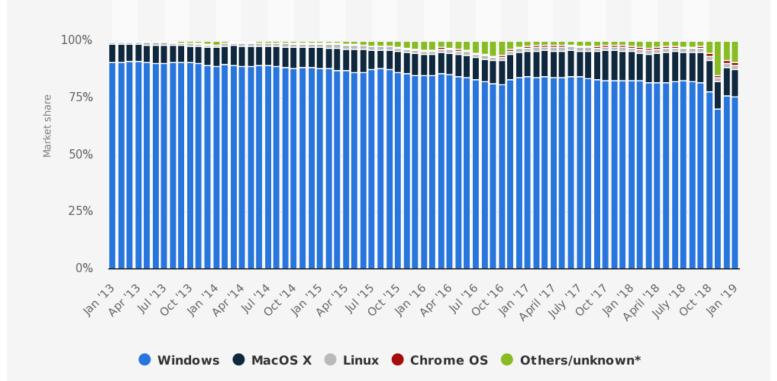


- Android - iOS - Microsoft - RIM - Bada\* - Symbian - Other

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### Impact on Market Openness

Global market share held by operating systems for desktop PCs, from January 2013 to January 2019



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