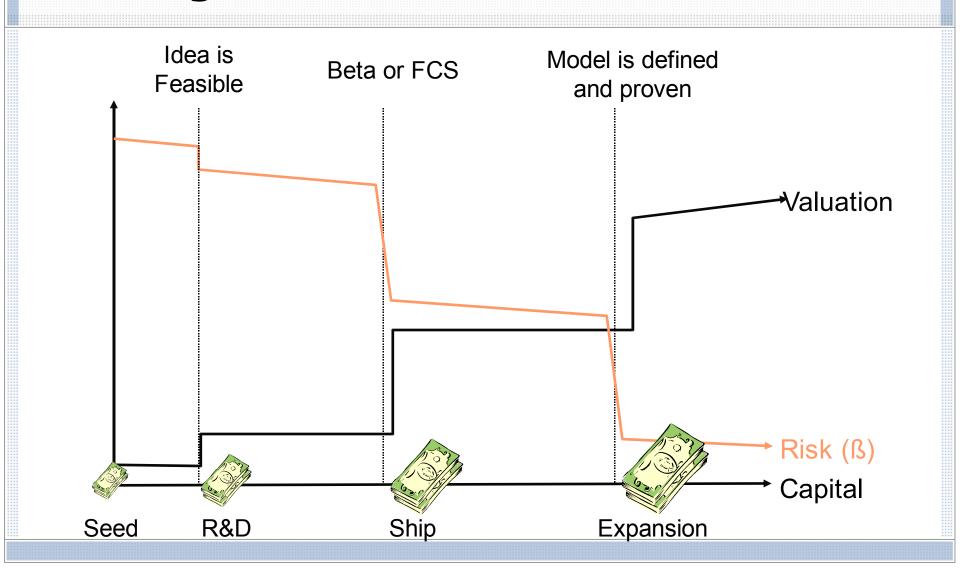


## Increasingly Darwinian Environment for Internet Companies

- Cost of "starting-up" approaching zero in many internet businesses
  - <\$250k to scale to 1MM+ users (consumer or enterprise)</p>
  - Driving higher rates genetic mutation
- Selection bias shifting away from traditional funding milestones
  - Non-linear "tinkering" process vs Alpha/Beta/GA
  - Intense user engagement required...pulled forward
  - Ecosystem and/or network effects visible prior to scale
  - High risk of corruption with excess capital...potential for loss of authenticity
- Subsequently, new funding model emerging

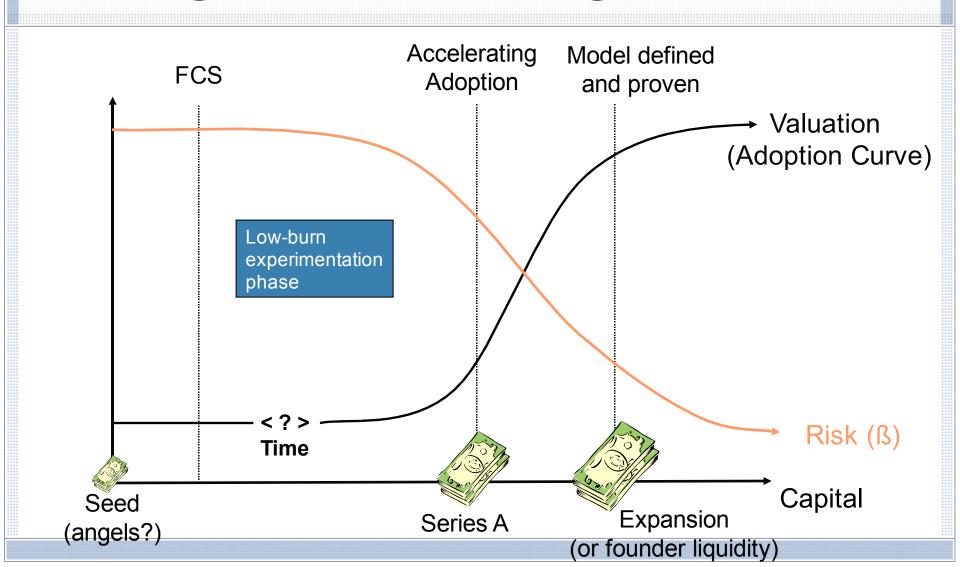


## Funding Model: "Farm Raised"





## Funding Model: "Free Range"





## **Caveat: Usage and Adoption Are Not the Same**

- "Hot deals" with high growth often followed by stagnation
  - Early usage data can be misleading
- Second and third-order metrics crucial
  - Repeat usage...3 mos, 6 mos, etc.
  - Fraction of "active" vs "registered" users
- Increased usage doesn't always enhance community
  - Spam-like behavior can cause rapid abandonment
- Best services/products become more embedded over time