

Technology Convergence as a Driver of Innovation

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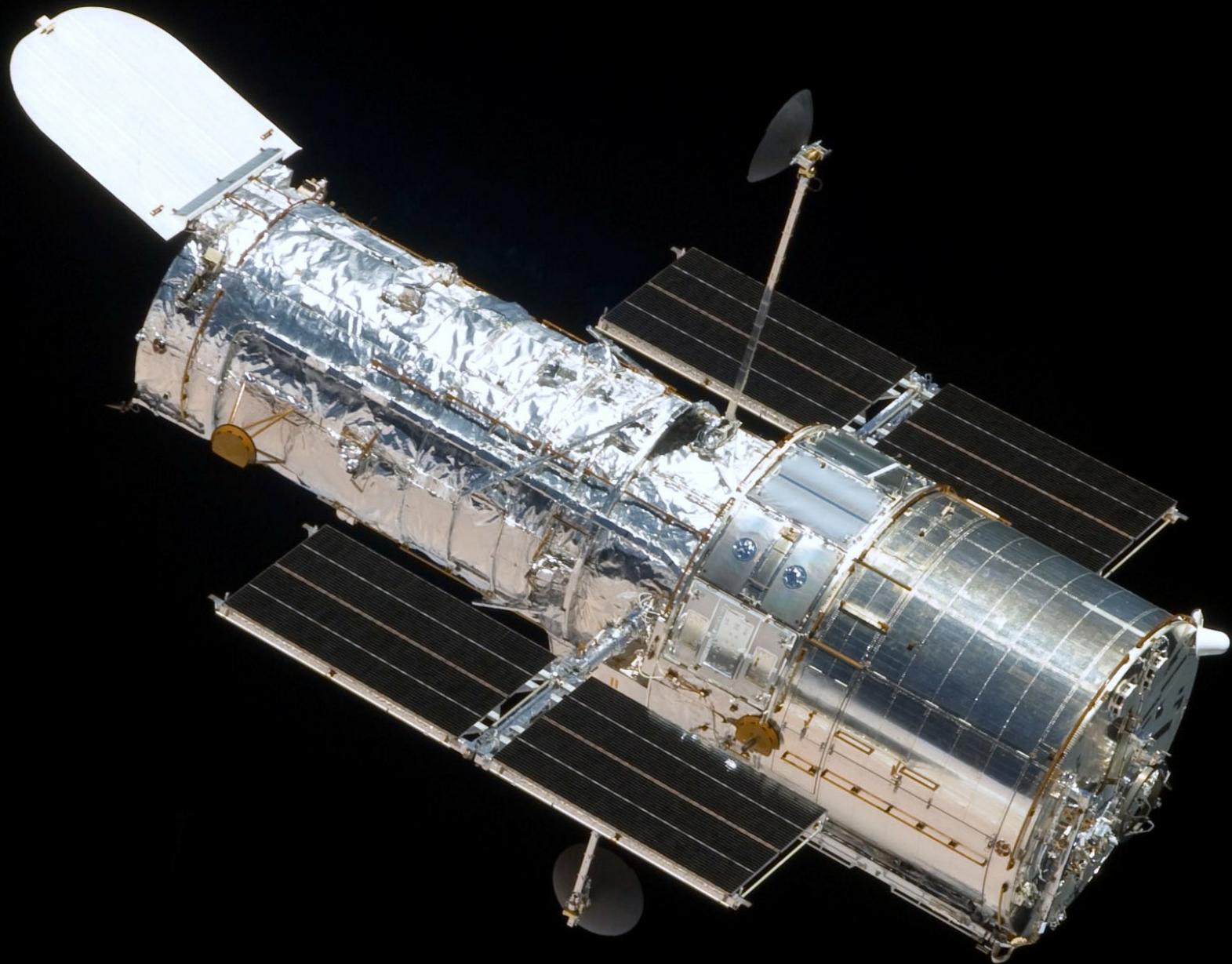
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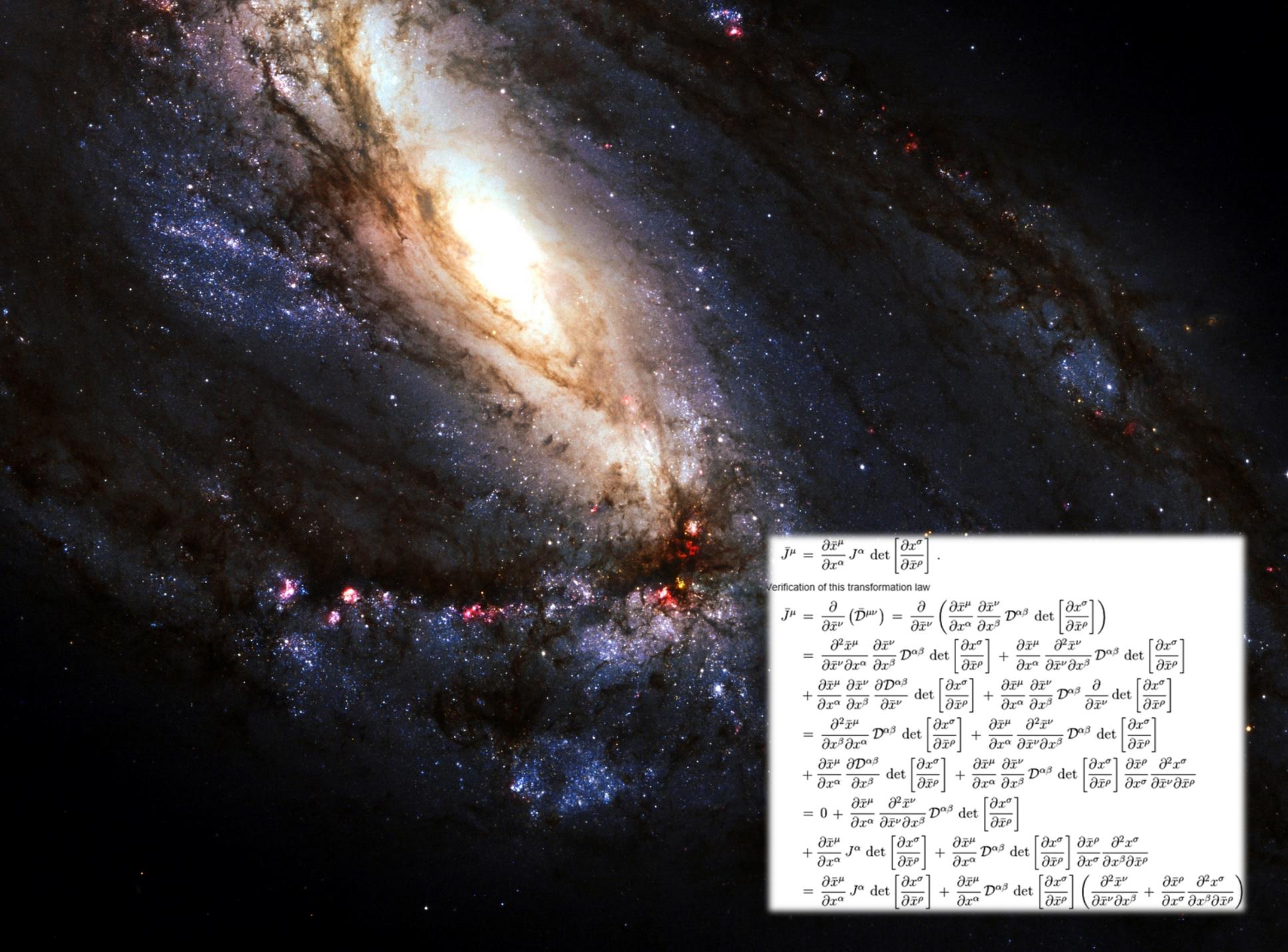
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$$\bar{J}^\mu = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} J^\alpha \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right].$$

verification of this transformation law

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{J}^\mu &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu} (\bar{D}^{\mu\nu}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu} \left(\frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\nu}{\partial x^\beta} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu \partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\nu}{\partial x^\beta} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{x}^\nu}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu \partial x^\beta} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\nu}{\partial x^\beta} \frac{\partial \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta}}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\nu}{\partial x^\beta} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\beta \partial x^\alpha} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{x}^\nu}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu \partial x^\beta} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta}}{\partial x^\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\nu}{\partial x^\beta} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\rho}{\partial x^\sigma} \frac{\partial^2 x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu \partial \bar{x}^\rho} \\ &= 0 + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{x}^\nu}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu \partial x^\beta} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} J^\alpha \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\rho}{\partial x^\sigma} \frac{\partial^2 x^\sigma}{\partial x^\beta \partial \bar{x}^\rho} \\ &= \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} J^\alpha \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\mu}{\partial x^\alpha} \mathcal{D}^{\alpha\beta} \det \left[\frac{\partial x^\sigma}{\partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right] \left(\frac{\partial^2 \bar{x}^\nu}{\partial \bar{x}^\nu \partial x^\beta} + \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\rho}{\partial x^\sigma} \frac{\partial^2 x^\sigma}{\partial x^\beta \partial \bar{x}^\rho} \right) \end{aligned}$$



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WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD

- GEORGE LAVID WEISS / BOB THiele

F6 A-7 Bbmaj7 A-7 G-7 Fmaj7

I see trees of green, red ros-es too, I see them bloom

E-7b9 A7b9 D-7 Db7 G-7 C7

for me and you, and I think to my-self what a won-der-fal

Fmaj7 F6 G-7 A-7 Bbmaj7 A-7

world. I see skies and clouds of white, the

G-7 D-7

bright-ly the dark and to my-self

G-7 C7 F6

what a won-der-ful The

G-7 C7 Fmaj7 G-7 C7

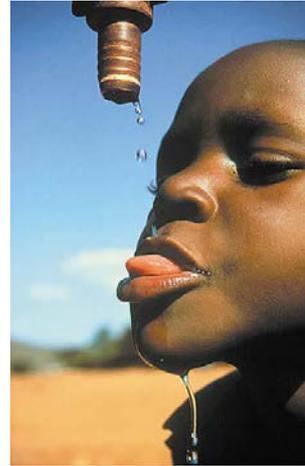
colors of the rain-bow, so pret-ty in the sky are al-so on the fac-es of





Problematic

- Water
- Energy
- Food

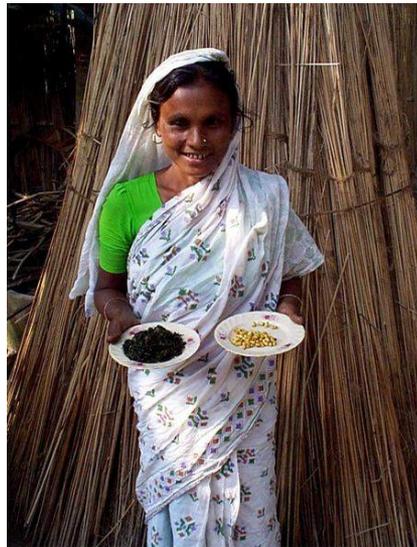


Contemporary context

- Sustainability

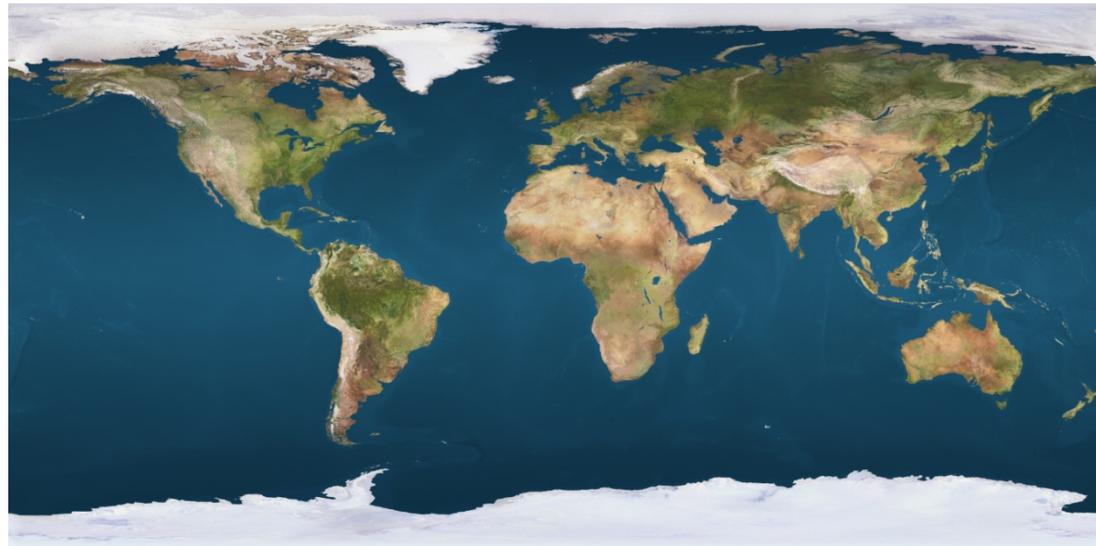


- Sustainability
- Fairness

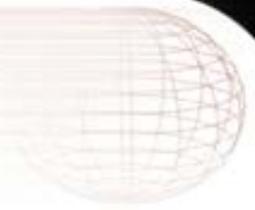


Contemporary context

- Sustainability
- Fairness
- Globalization



Knowledge



Science & Technology

“Knowledge of the relevant principles and the ability to obtain appropriate results”

To know, to do.

What, how, when...



Some questions...

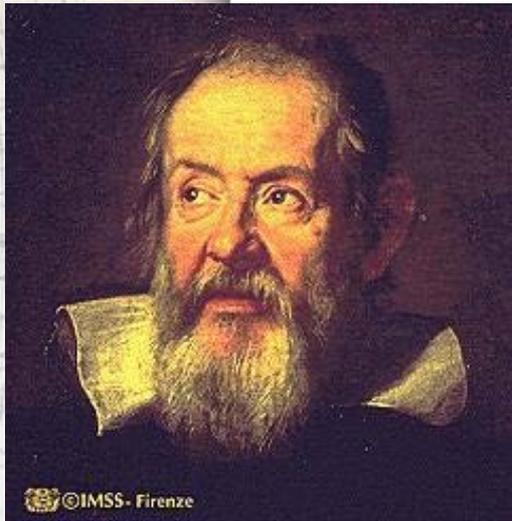
- Why does technology matter?
- Convergence and change?
- Examples of convergence?
- Where is the return on value?
- Does Tech *really* matter?

What do we know about technology?

- We define ourselves by it



Technology as a Transformation Agent



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Technological innovation brings about deep change



Significance of the Stirrup in Medieval Warfare

John Hood

The medieval adoption of the stirrup, a piece of equipment unknown to the ancient world, is commonly held to have caused a revolution in the use of the horse for war, a revolution which led to the feudal age and the dominance of the armoured knight mounted on a great warhorse. It is certainly true that the feudal period ought to be

Technology and old paradigms



Men Wanted!!

THE UNDERSIGNED WISHES TO
hire ten or a dozen men, familiar with the
management of horses, as hostlers or
riders on the Overland Express Route via
Salt Lake City. Wages \$50 per month
and found. I may be found at the St. George
Hotel during Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

William W. Finney

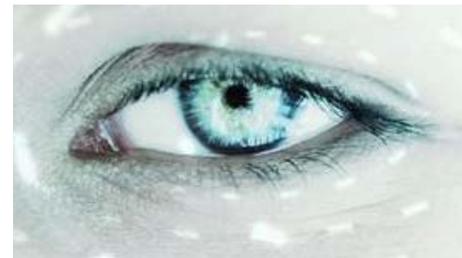
What do we know about technology?

- Its use is paramount



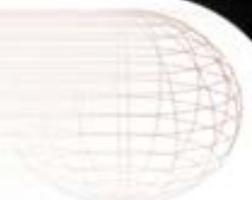
Lessons on Technology

- It is a change agent
- Change is inevitable
- Use is paramount
- Transforms our world vision

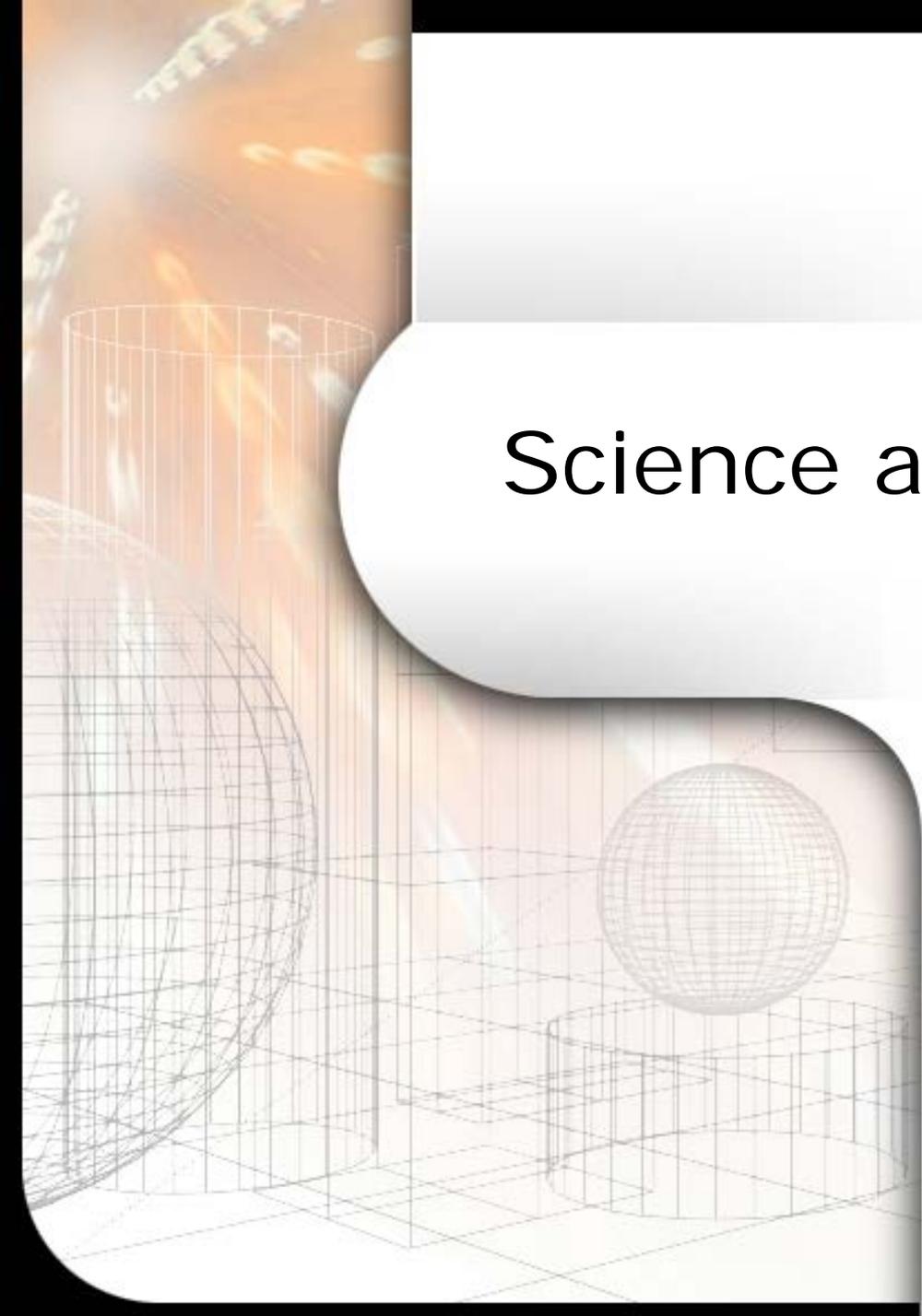




What technologies do we need to invest in?

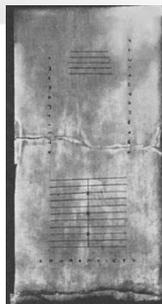


The best return on value from investments in technology are made where technologies converge.

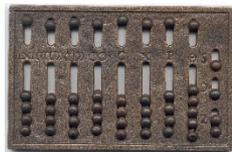


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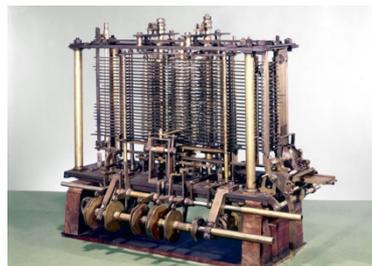
Computing Machinery Evolution



Salamis
Calculating
Board
500 B.C.



Roman
Handheld
Abacus
300 A.D.

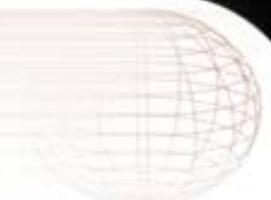


Babbage's
Difference
Engine
1832 A.D.

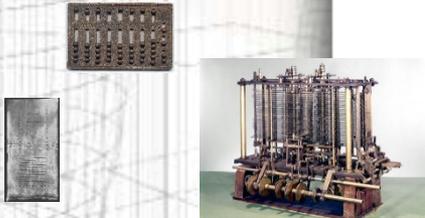
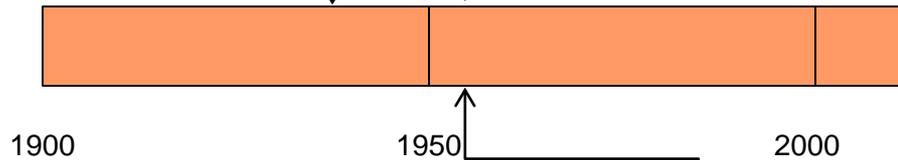


Atanasoff-Berry
Computer
1939 A.D.

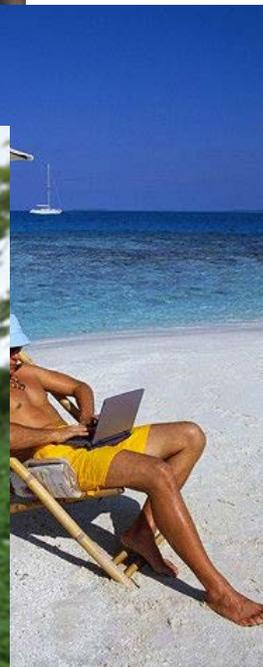
Convergence

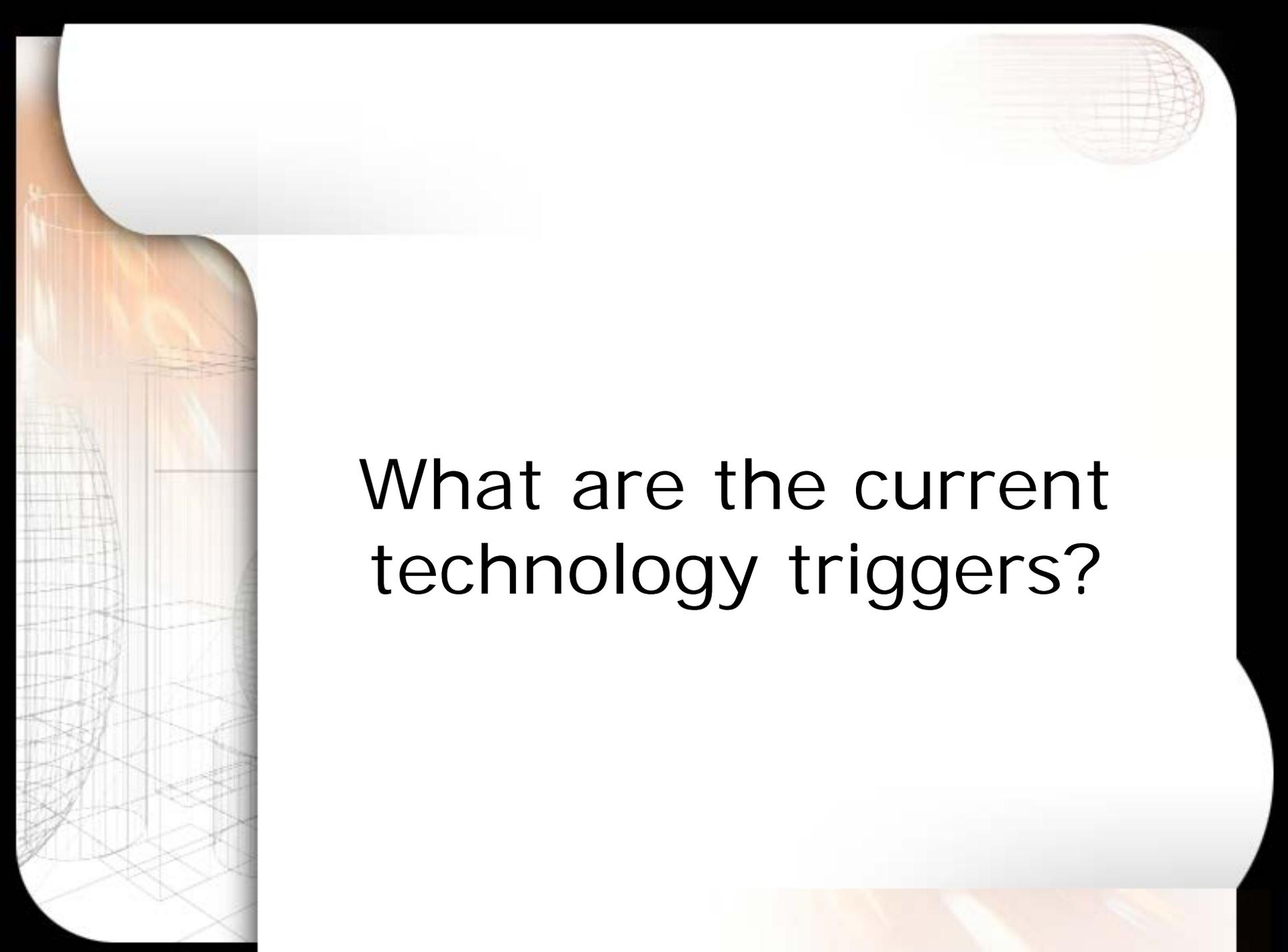


- Internet of Things
- Big Data
- The Cloud
- Social Networking
- Mobility
- Public Internet
- Microcomputers
- Minicomputers
- Data Center



Anytime, anywhere, any device, everything...





What are the current
technology triggers?

Big Data

800,000,000

5,000,000,000

3,500,000,000

28,000,000,000

350,000,000,000

2,000,000,000,000

1,500,000,000

87,000,000,000

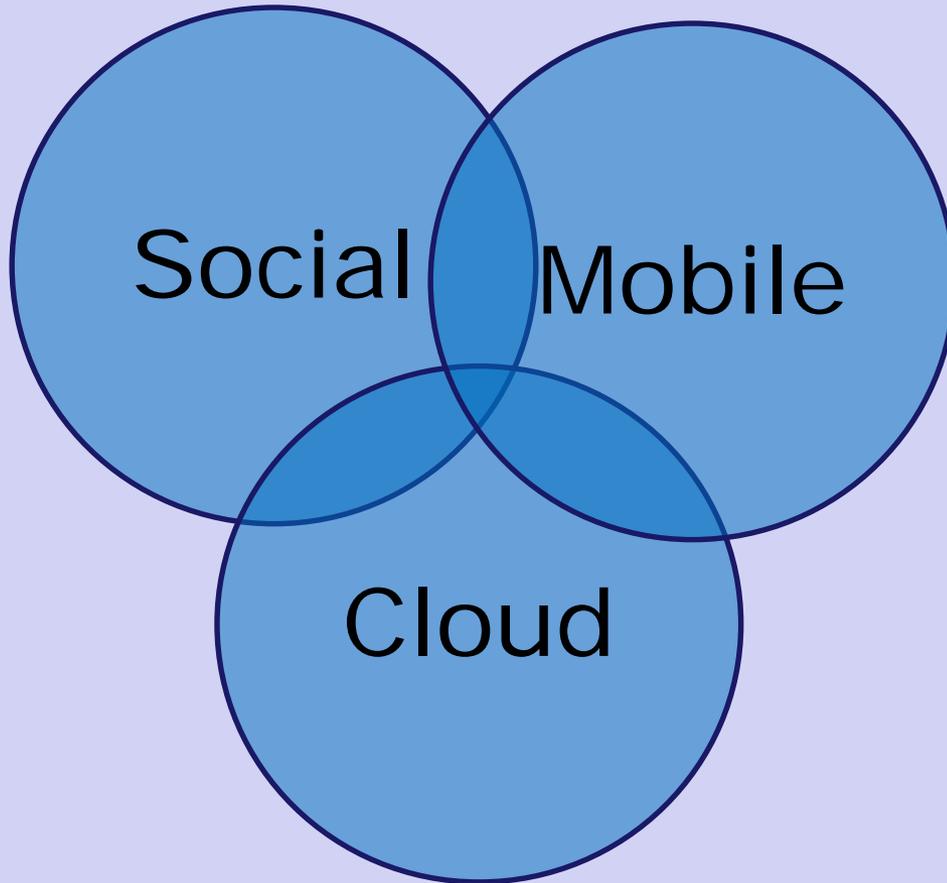
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Big Data/IOE

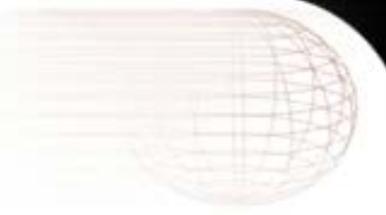
Social

Mobile

Cloud



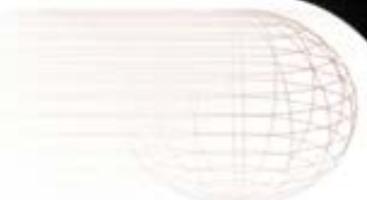
The Cloud



- Think of IT as a service
 - Software
 - Data access
 - Storage
- Rapid provisioning
- Nimble scaling
- Focus on core competencies

Spending on the cloud is growing
five times faster than overall IT
spending

Social



- Think about social behavior enhanced by IT
 - Security (connected)
 - Instant gratification (real-time)
 - Belonging (socially produced information)
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Young people today

- Collaborative, multi-tasking, non-linear thinkers





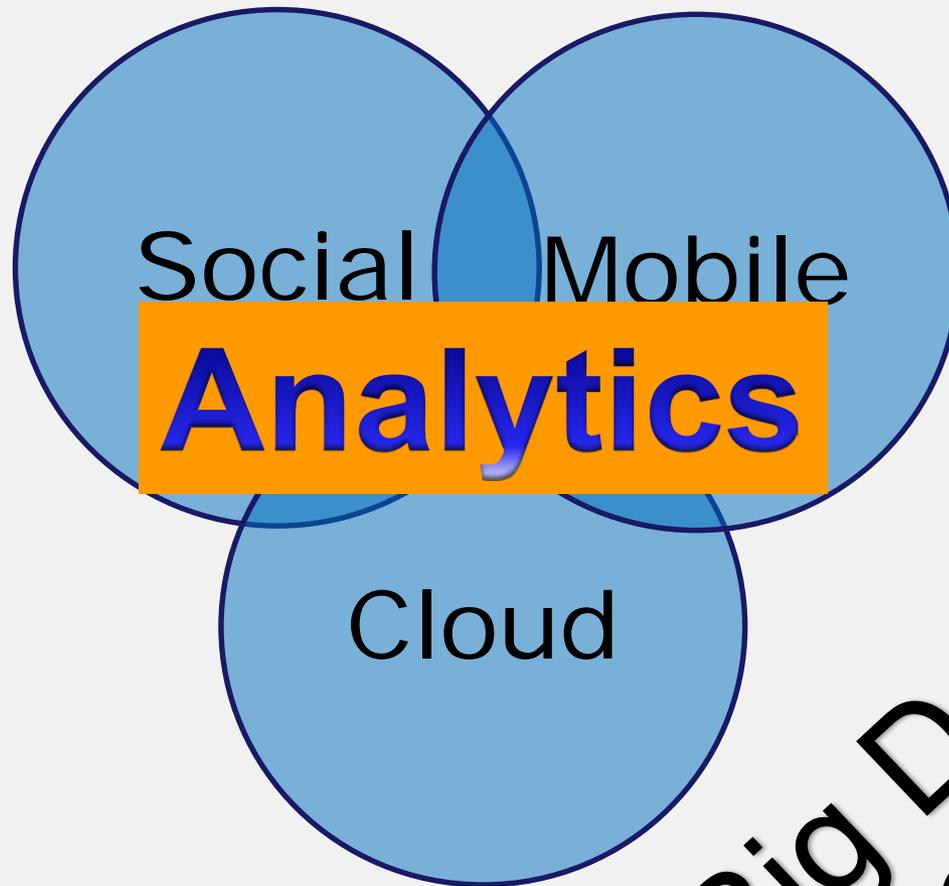
“net generation students has developed **brain morphological and fisiological changes** to adapt to their surroundings”

Prensky, 2001

Mobile

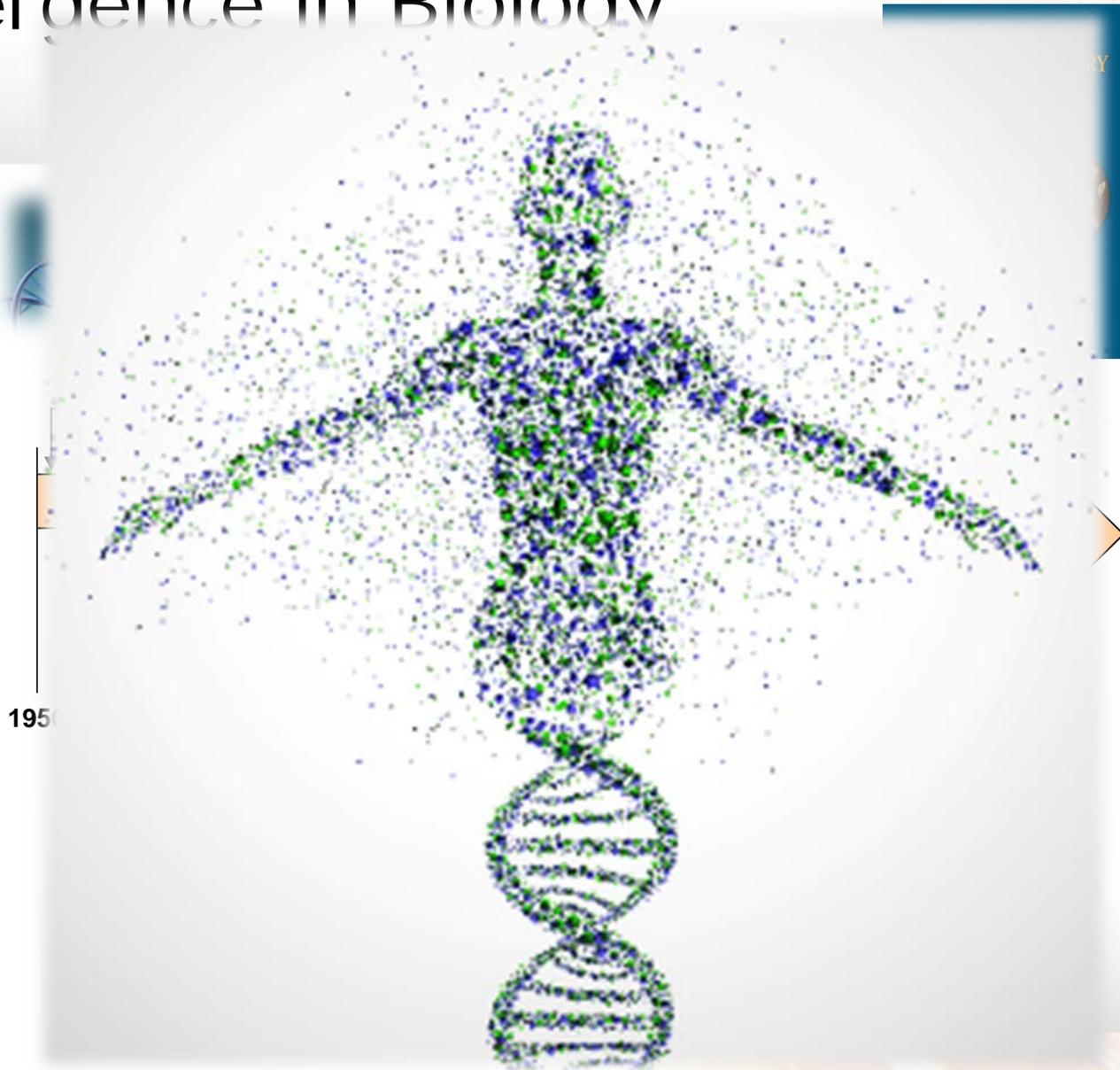
- Think Convenience
 - Highly mobile
 - Context aware
 - Simple

Remember the Sweet Spot

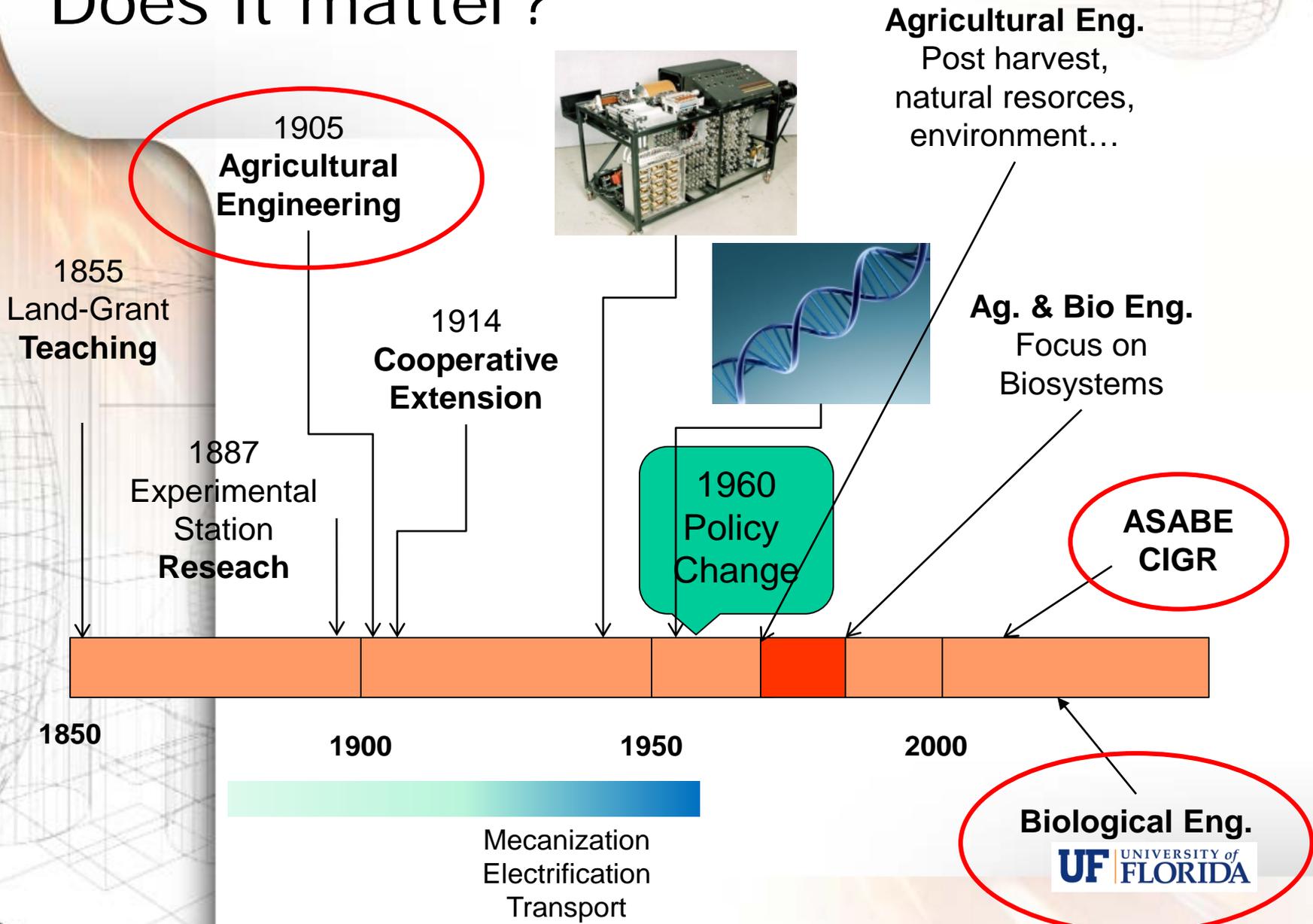


Big Data
IOE

Convergence in Biology



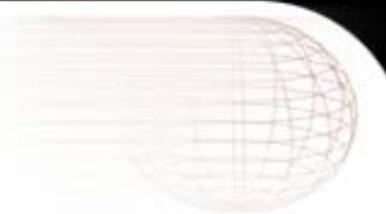
Does it matter?



Convergence induces change

- Infrastructure
 - 51,000 Cores
 - 3 Petabytes storage
- HPC services
- Faculty awareness Training and Education

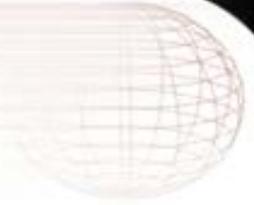




More importantly!

What immediate technology convergences are likely to provide value?

Convergence in Education





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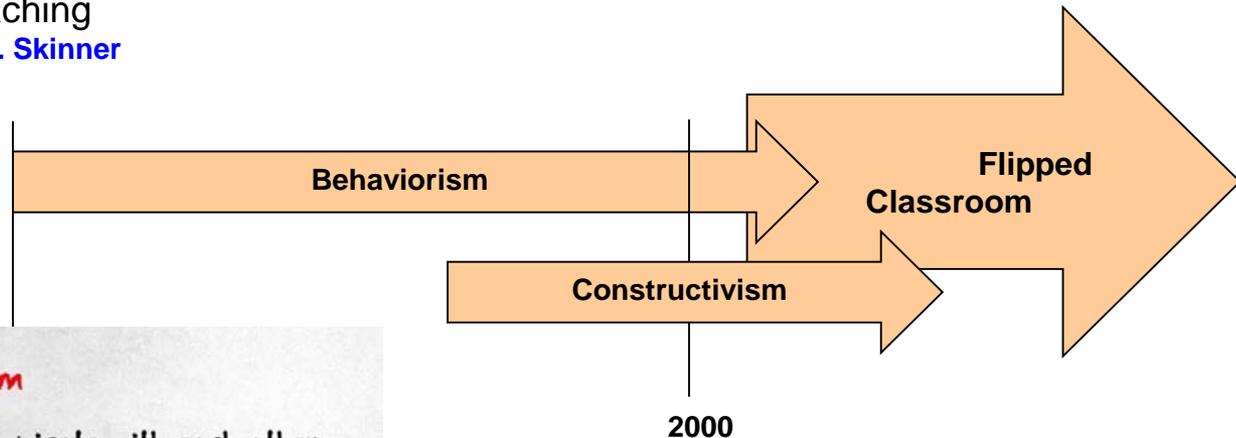
Improved learning outcomes
Reduced cost of instruction

Convergence in education



Teachers must learn how to teach... they need only to be taught more effective ways of teaching

B.F. Skinner



Constructivism

Learners communicate with each other, and share their understandings, feelings, knowledge, and experience, to come up with new knowledge.

The teacher becomes the facilitator, and the learners are encouraged to interact, exchange views and experience and co-construct meaning and knowledge that is based on their needs (still with the teachers' intervention.)

Reflective abstraction, however, is based not on individual actions but on coordinated actions.

Jean Piaget



Flipped Classroom

Traditional
Classroom

Lecture is
delivered by the
instructor

Homework is
assigned to
reinforce
understanding



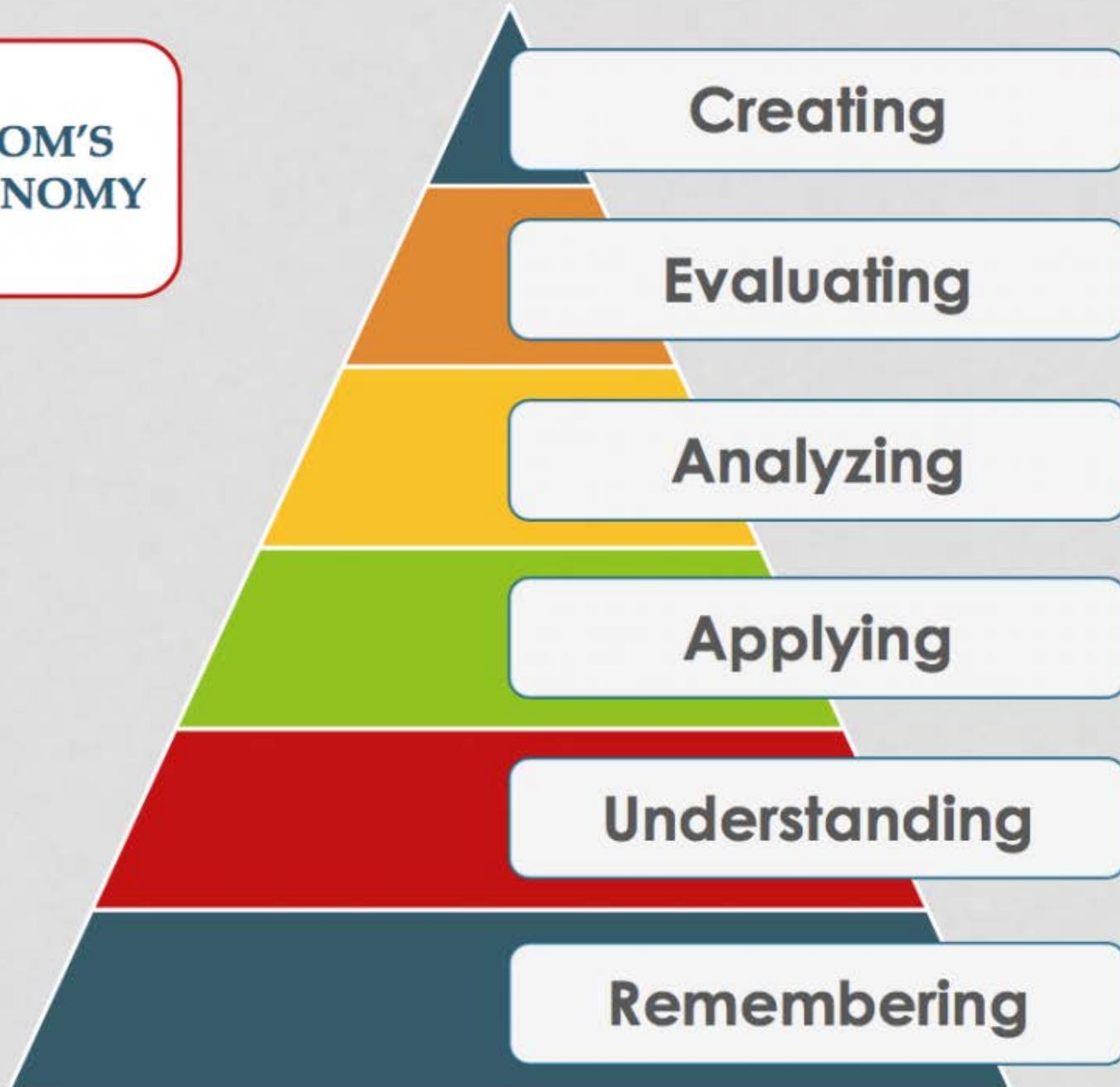
Flipped
Classroom

Students watch
lectures Online

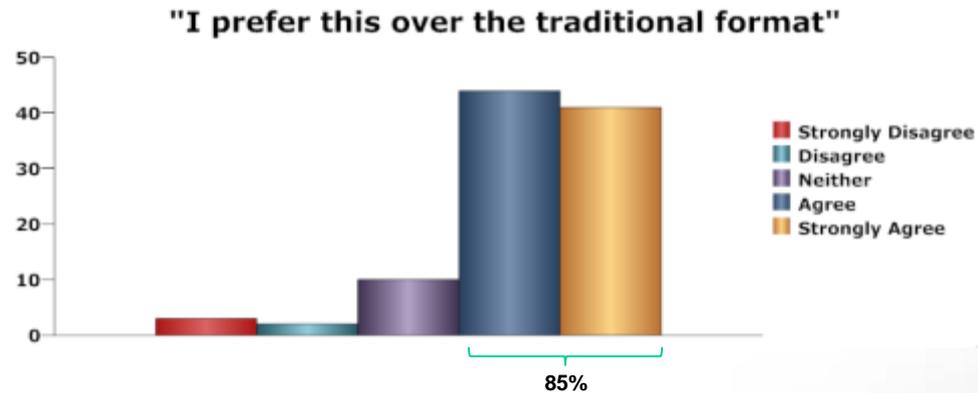
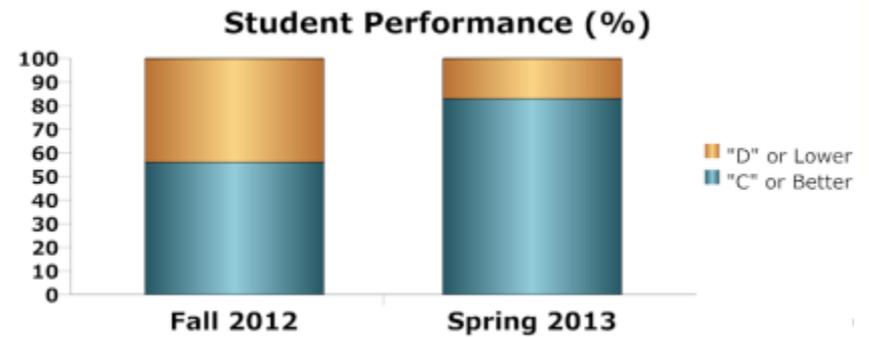
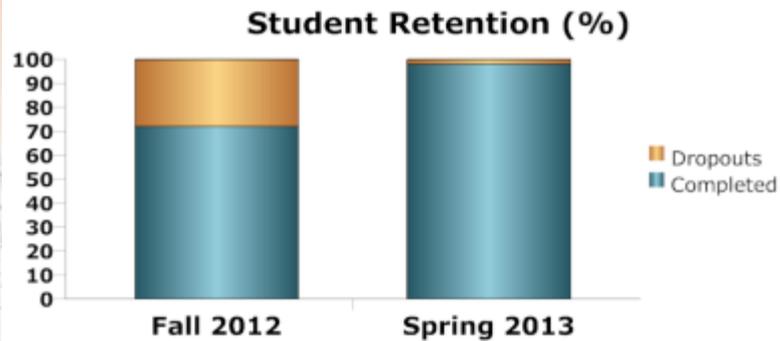
Classroom time
devoted to
higher order
thinking tasks



**BLOOM'S
TAXONOMY**



EEL3111C Circuits 1



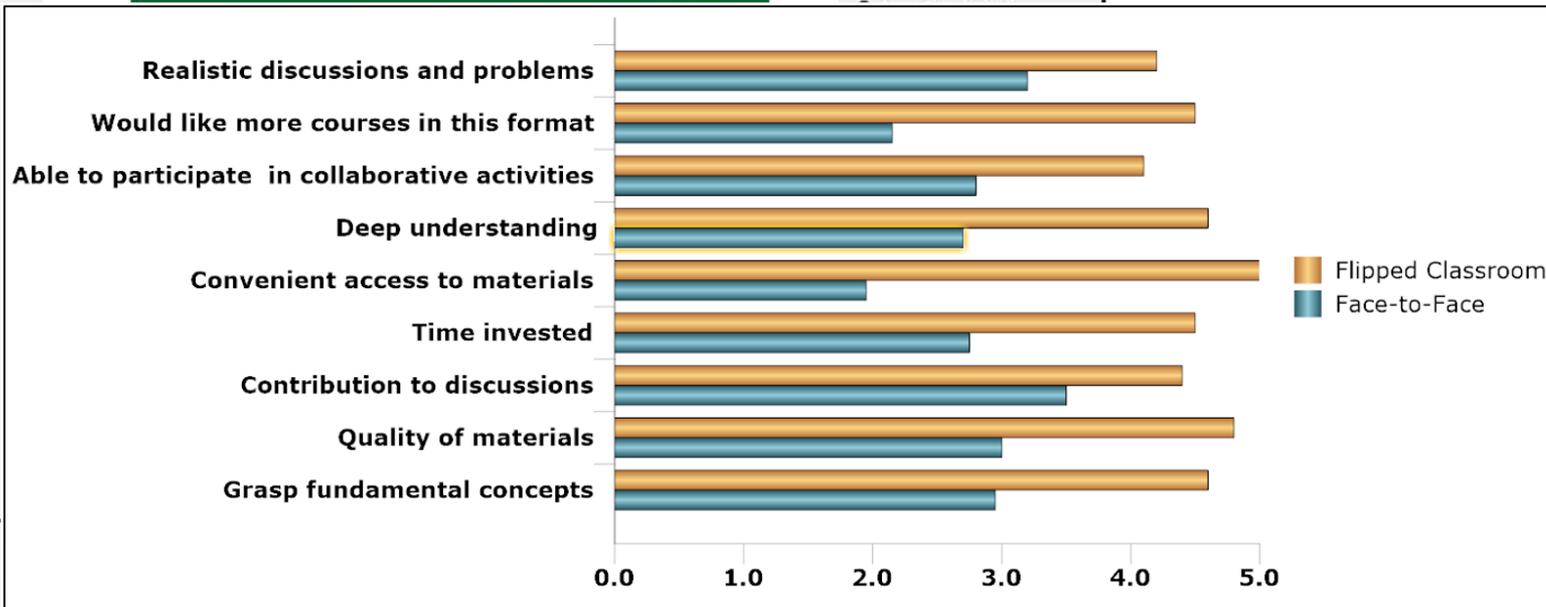
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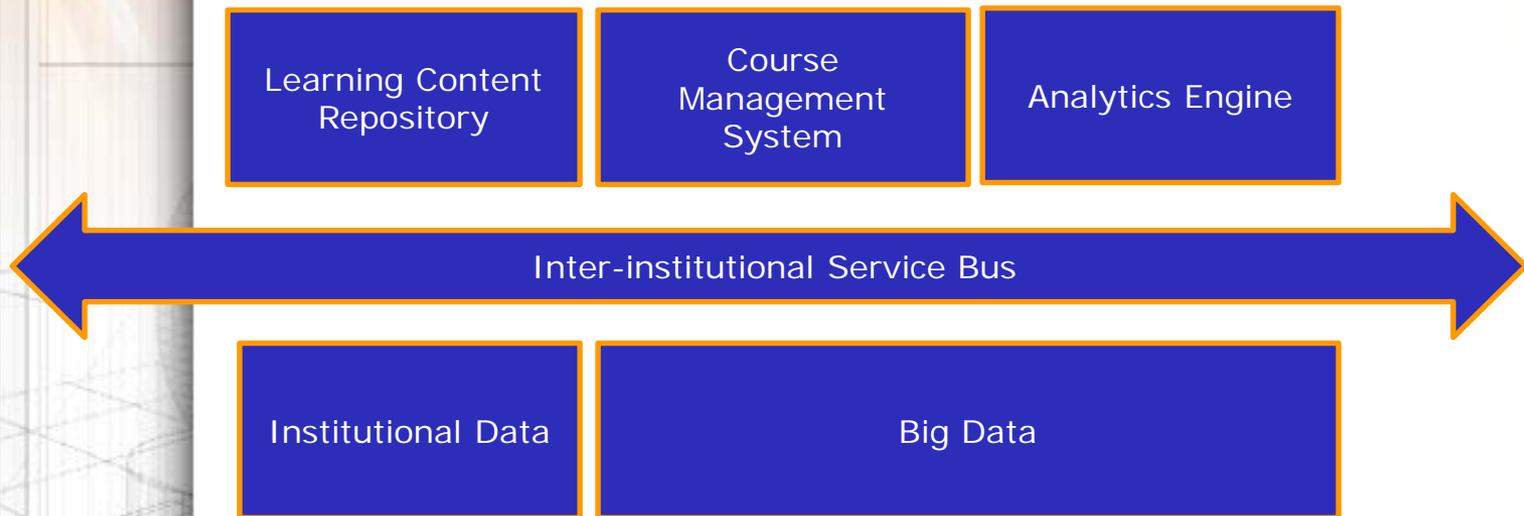
Summary Statistics for Student Evaluation*
(Highlighted scores are associated to the Flipped Classroom)

	Module 1		Module 2	
	Mean	Standard deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation
Group A	100	0	78.47	23.6
Group B	62.38	18.66	97.62	2.06

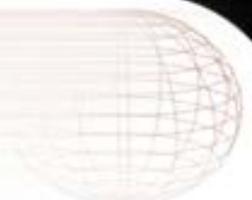
* One student from each group not completing the modules was removed from the analysis.

Strategic action

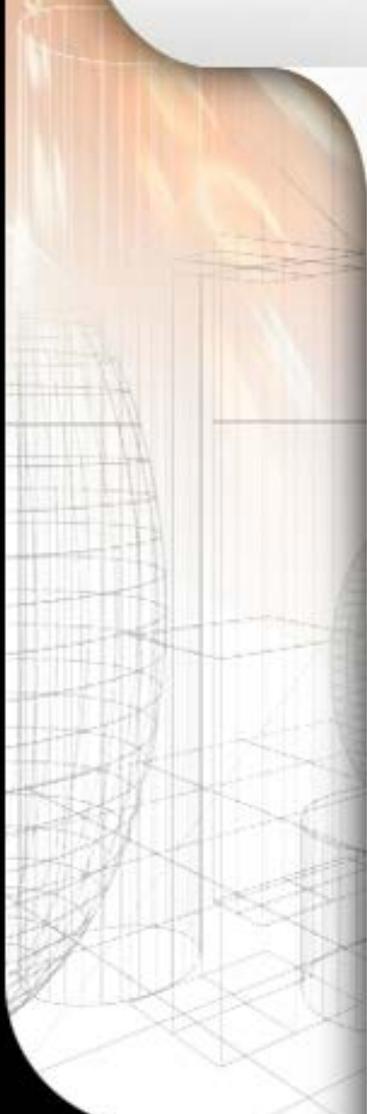
Create a learning ecosystem



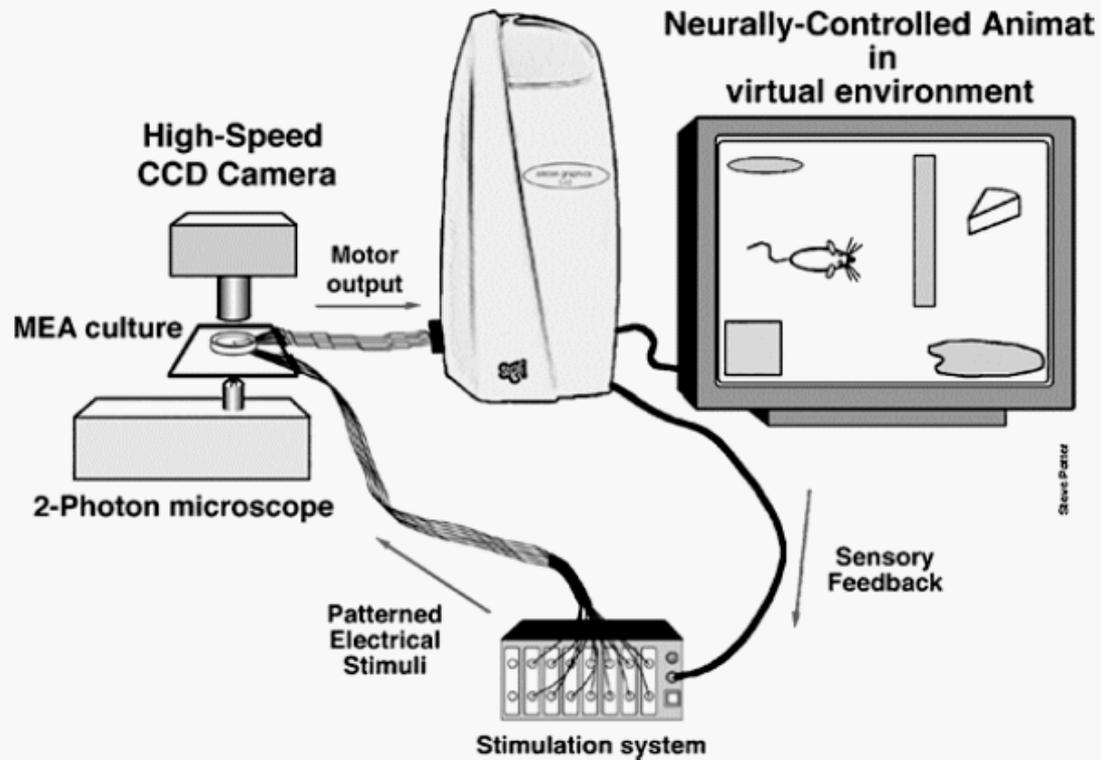
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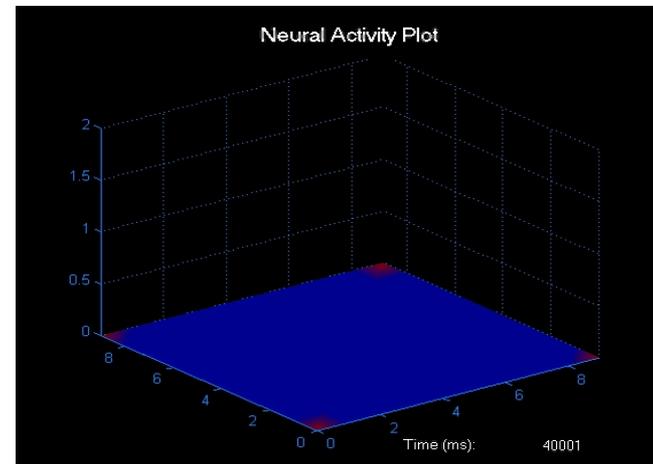
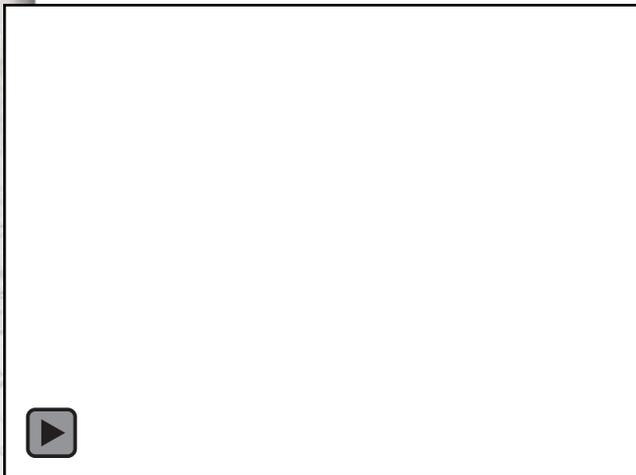
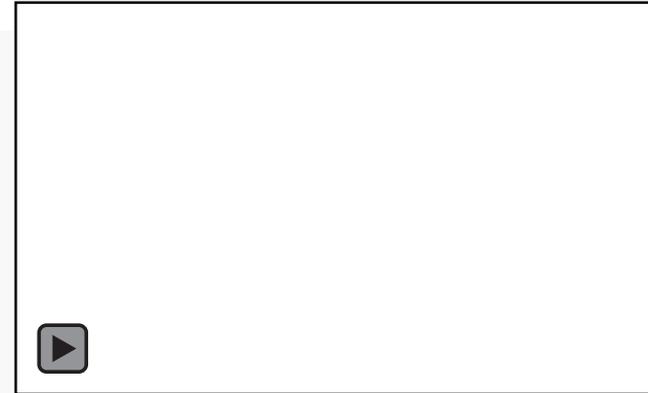
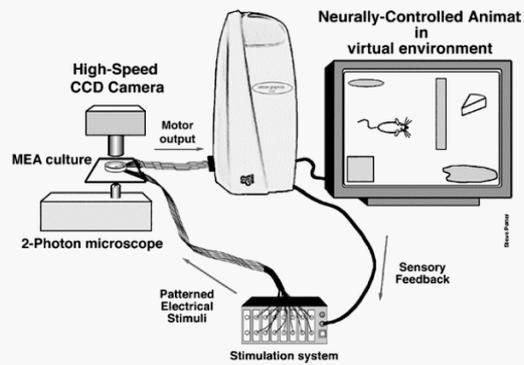
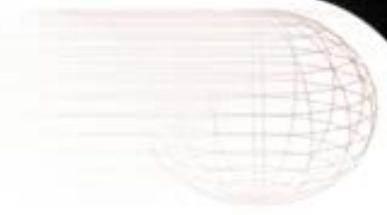
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 - Brain
 - Nanotechnology
 - Mechatronics
 - Materials
 - Energy
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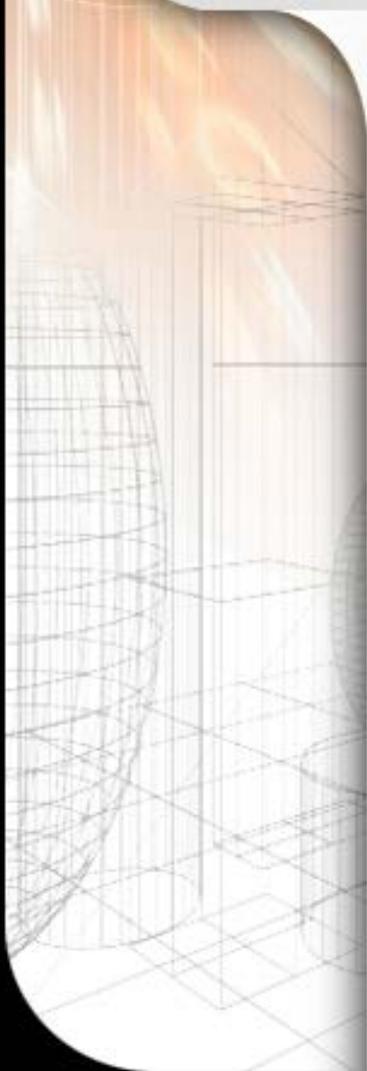
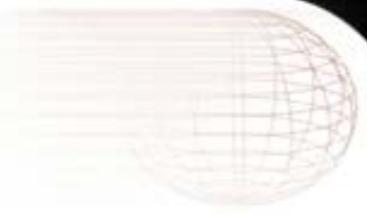
Convergence: Neurons and bits



Autómatas



Value?



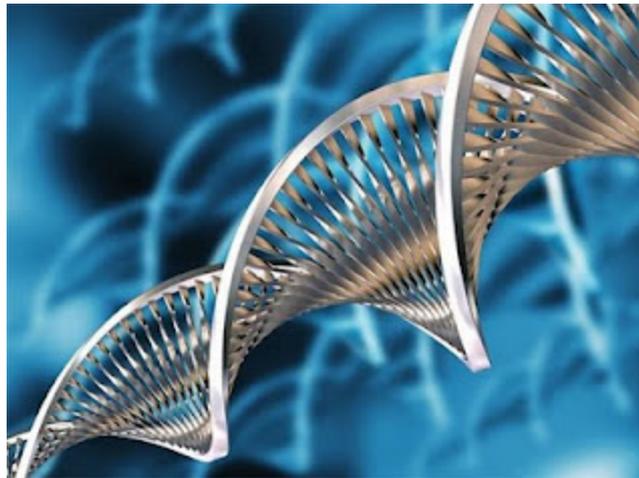
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- The art of acquiring, storing, transmitting and analyzing for decision making and creating new knowledge



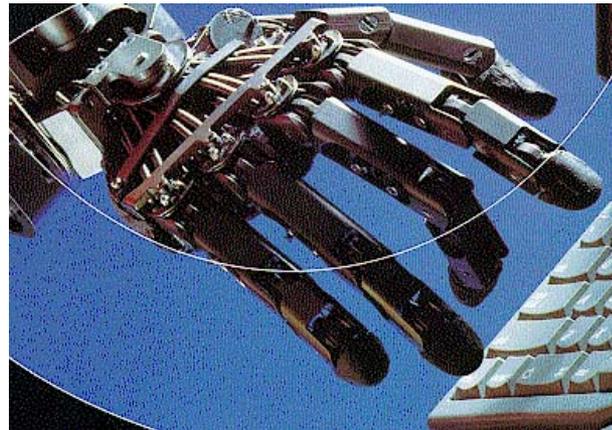
Biotechnology

- The art of using biological systems to create products and processes



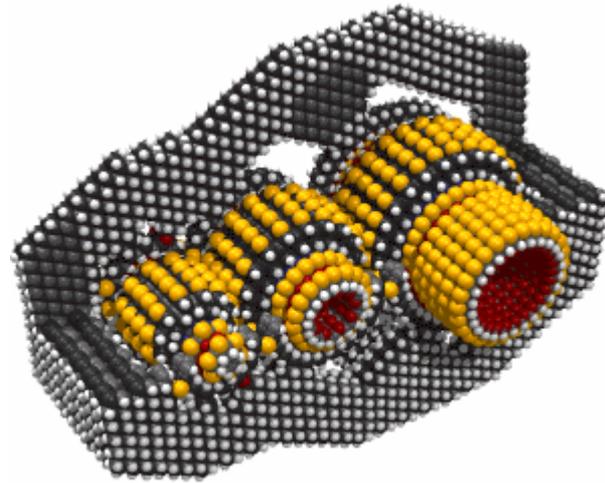
Mechatronics

- The art of construction of intelligent mechanical systems



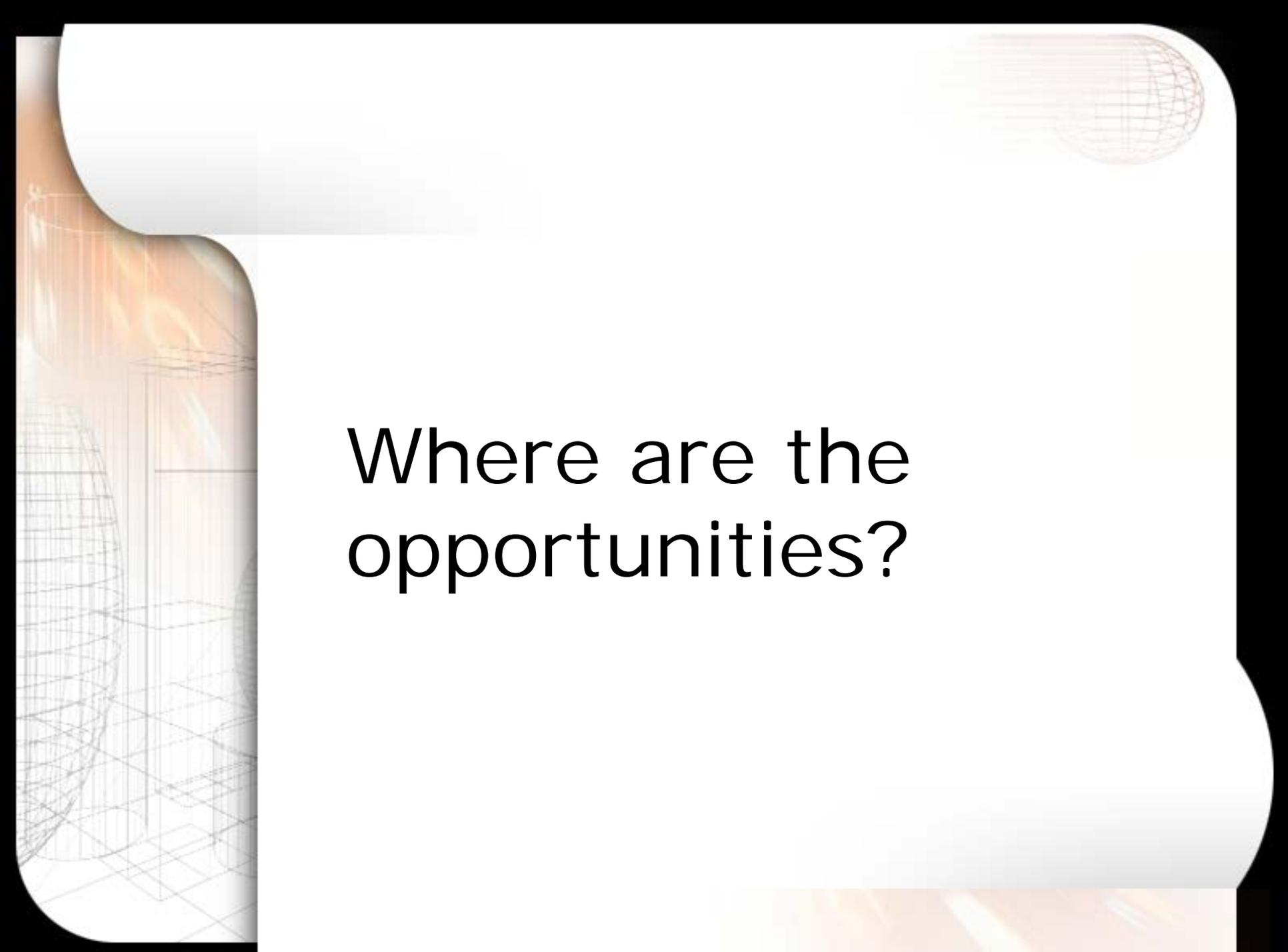
Nanotechnology

- The art of molecular level construction

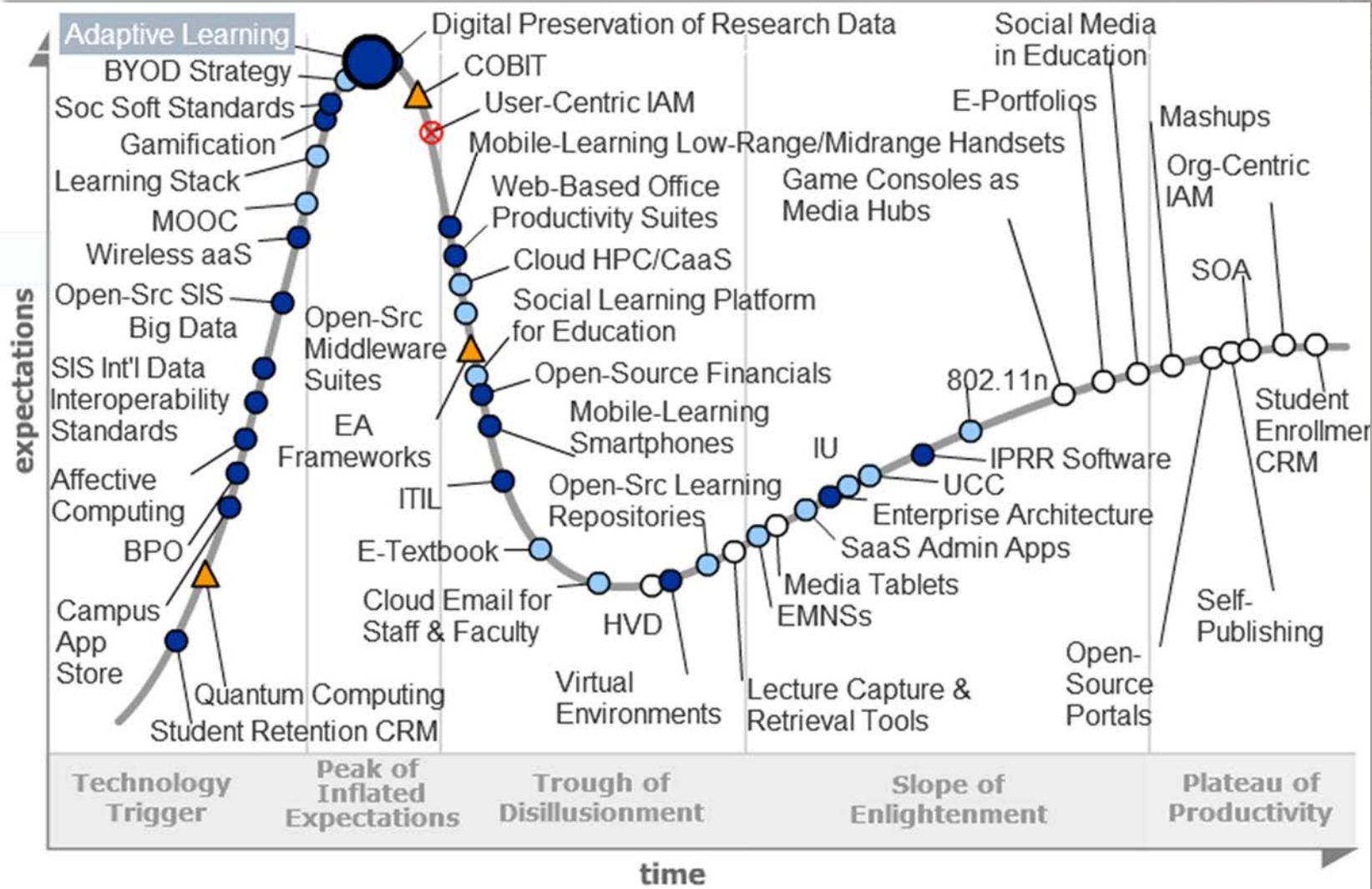


Brain technologies





Where are the
opportunities?

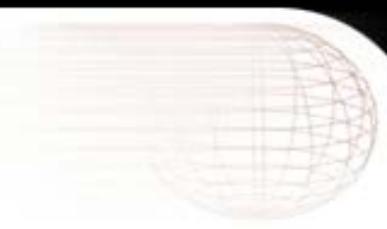


Plateau will be reached:

○ less than 2 years ● 2 to 5 years ● 5 to 10 years ▲ more than 10 years

⊗ obsolete before plateau

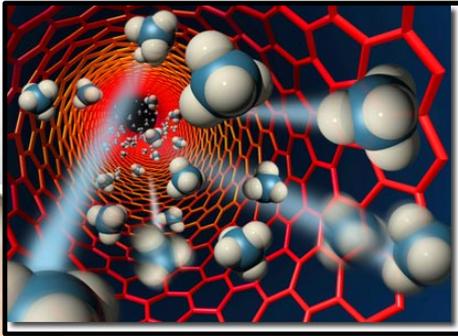
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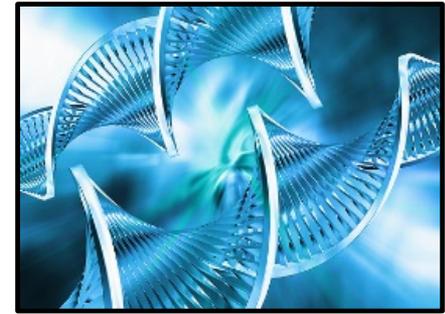
All is connected
and aware



Good strategy and
intelligent tactics



atoms

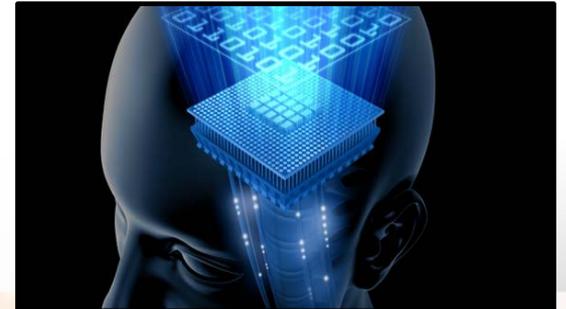
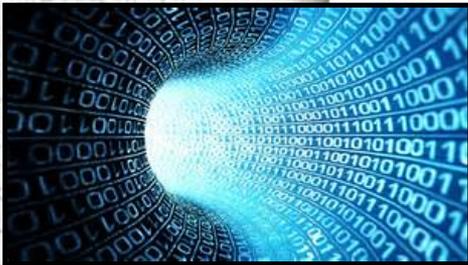


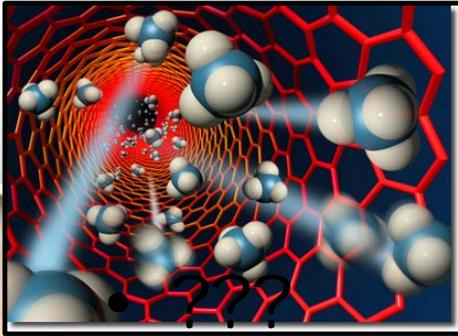
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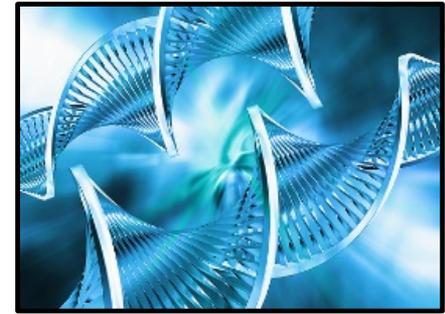
genes

neurons





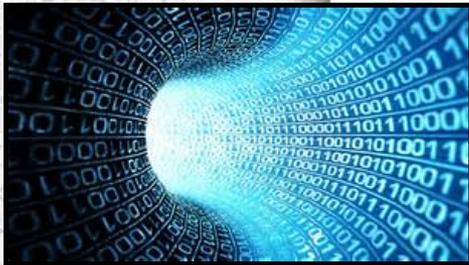
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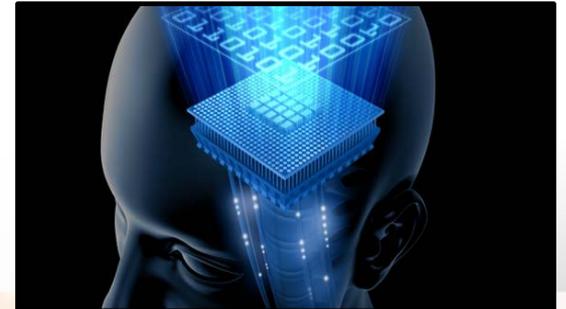
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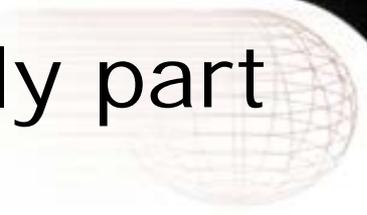
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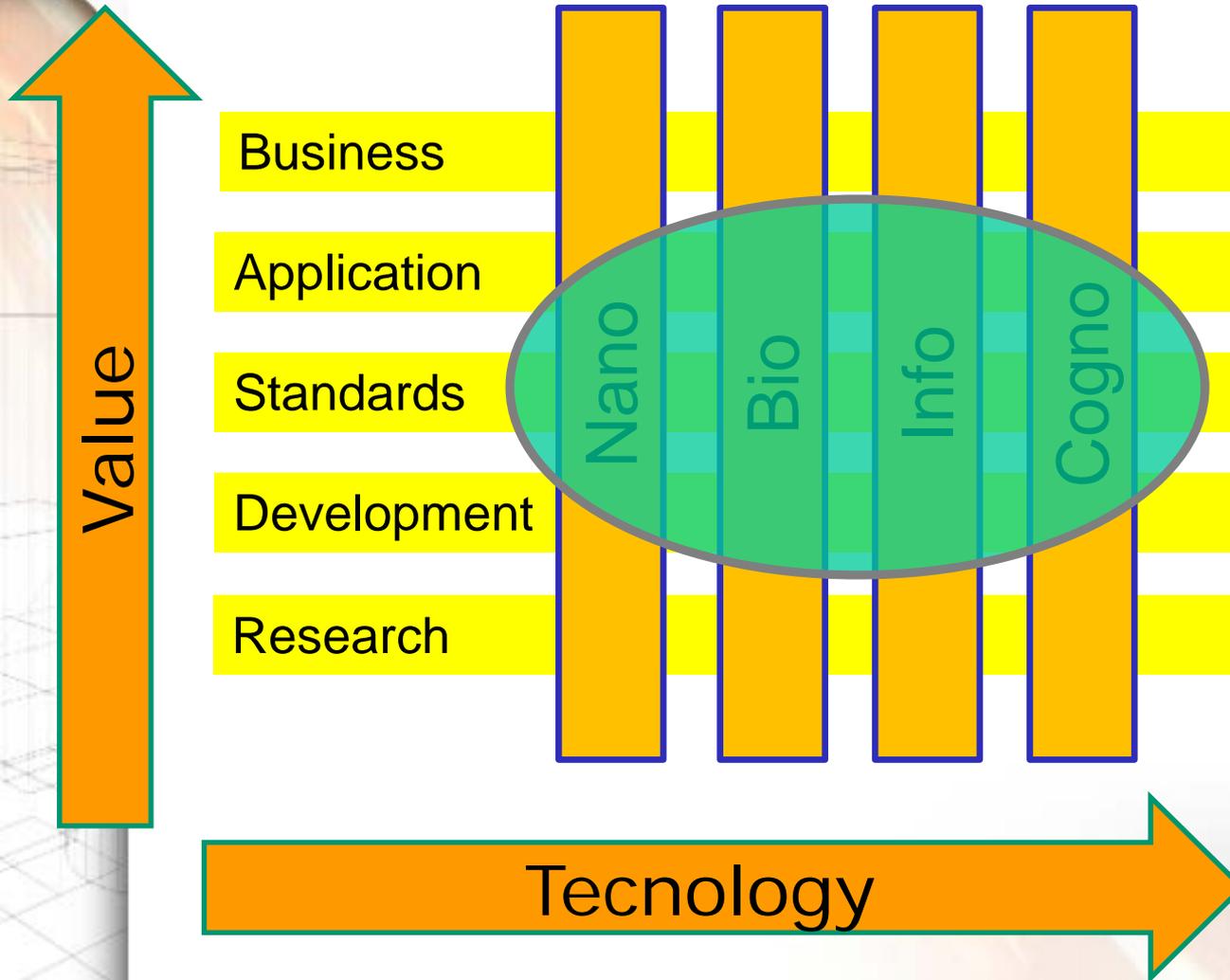


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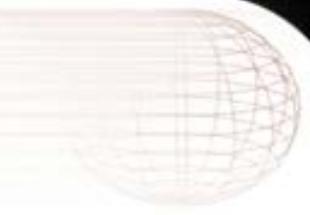


- Economics
 - Risk
 - Health
 - Environment
 - Acceptance
 - Regulation
 - Intellectual Property
 - Local and global politics
 - Etc.
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Social, legal and ethical



Adoption Paradigms



Participatory	Advisory Work	Facilitation for Empowerment
Paternalistic	Technology Transfer	Human Resource Development
	Persuasive	Educational

What is it about science technology that is so important today?





From Literacy to Electracy

Oral Tradition

Literate Tradition



Extended
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Thank you!



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