



The New Know

[9 July 2010]





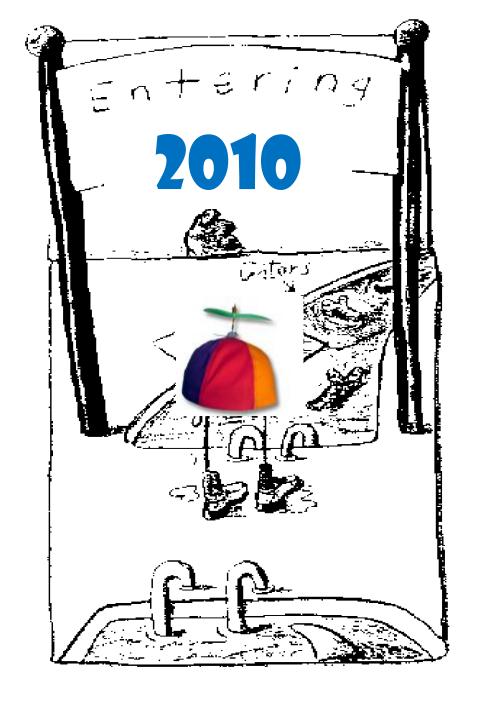
I would like to begin...





...by saying "Thank You"

Am **Futurist!**





I like to think I am a

grounded-in-reality

futurist

My Objective Today?

Get you

'barking-dog'

excited

about the

Analytically-Empowered Future





Here's the Plan...

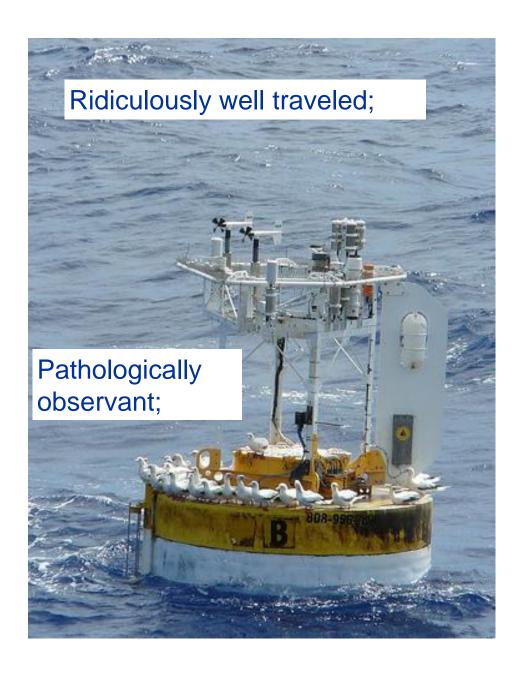
Explain briefly what futurists do

Talk about categories of futures

Collaboratively examine how people/institutions think about the future

Identify THE Major über trend defining the 1st 25 years of the 21st century

Discuss what to do about it



As a Full-Time Futurist, I am...

Amazingly well-connected;

Brutally honest.

Futurists Do Three Things







Interpret [figure out what the data means]

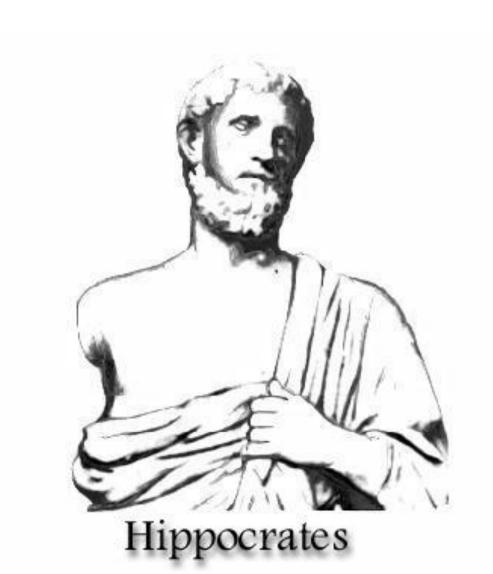
Hypothesize [surface options about what to do]

Our Day-to-Day Objective...

...is to

inform & stimulate:

Efficacious Behaviors



What Futurists Do

Think of Futurists as Cognitive Fighter Pilot





Observe, Orient, Decide & Act

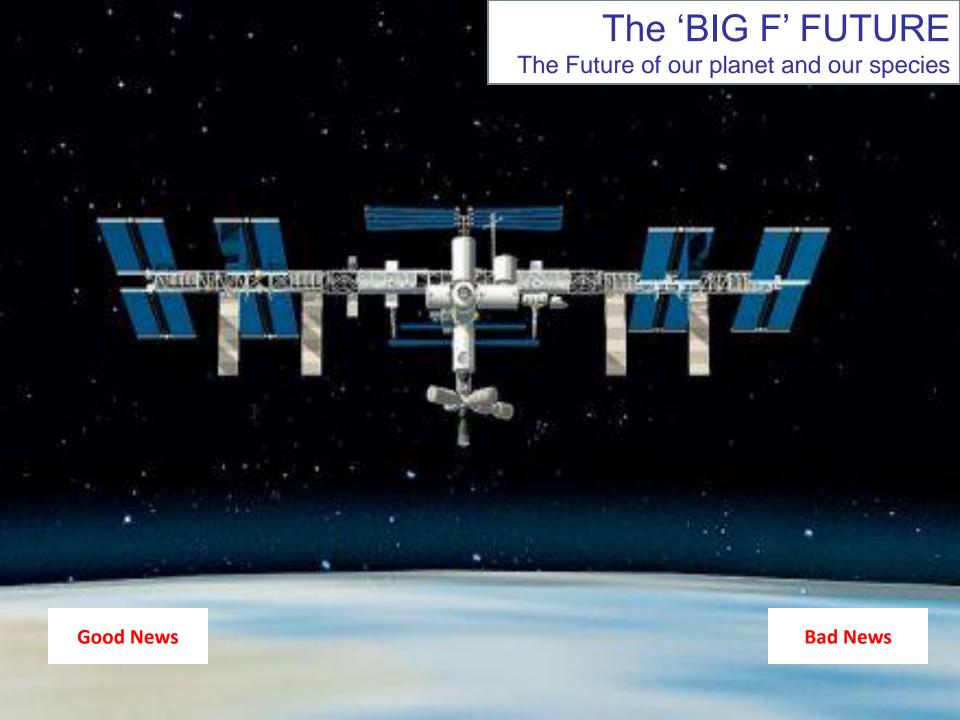
There Are Two Categories of Futures

The 'BIG F' FUTURE

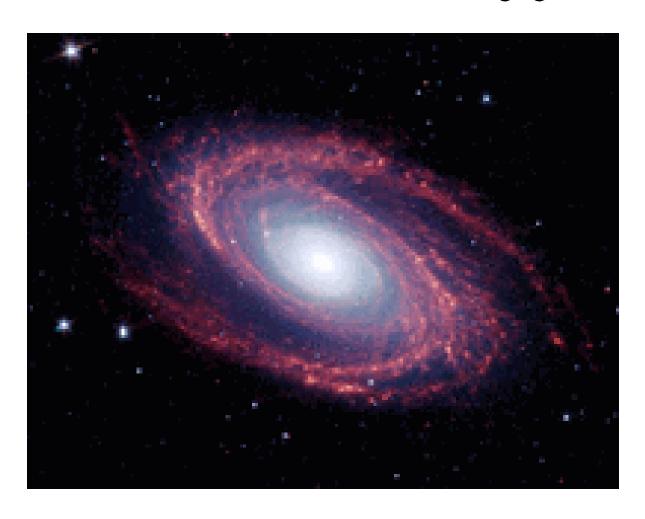
The Future of our planet and our species

The 'little f' future

The Future of products, processes, industries, companies & careers.



Our Planet is not getting any younger



Everything has a life cycle

When you are young, Doctors predict how you will live [i.e., how tall you will be, how smart you will be].

The 'BIG F' Future

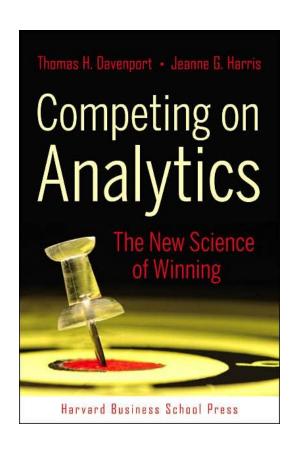


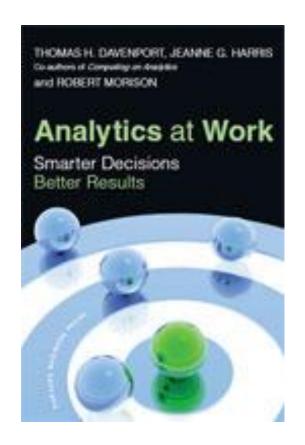
When you are old Doctors predict when you will die.

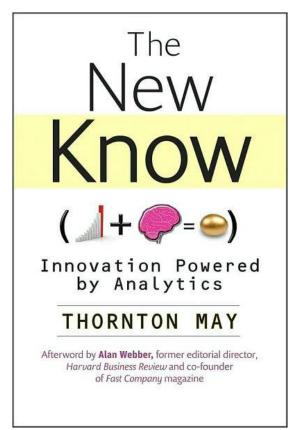
Astrobiologists are planetary doctors studying planetary life spans.

Peter D. Ward, Astrobiologist University of Washington

Analytics is All About Numbers







BIG'F'
Futuring is All About
One Number

500,000,000

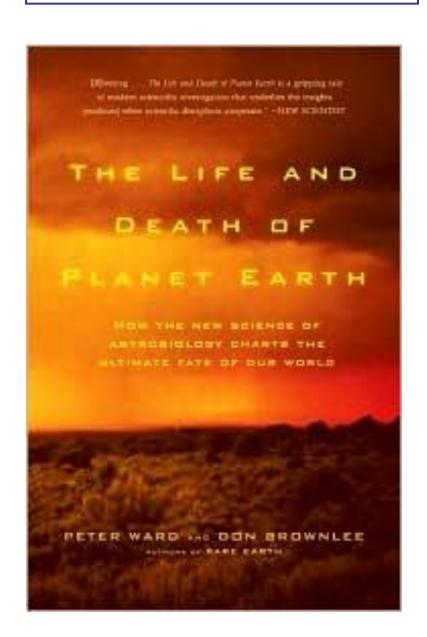
Bad News

The 'BIG F' Future

OUR PLANET IS DOOMED!

In the future, the oceans will evaporate, the atmosphere will degrade and, as the sun slowly expands, Earth will eventually meet a fiery end.

Peter D. Ward and Donald Brownlee, The Life and Death of Planet Earth: How The New Science of Astrobiology Charts the Ultimate Fate of Our World, 2003.



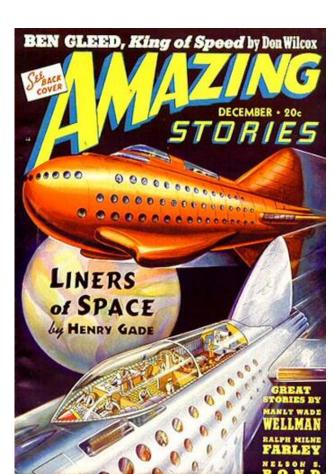
Good News

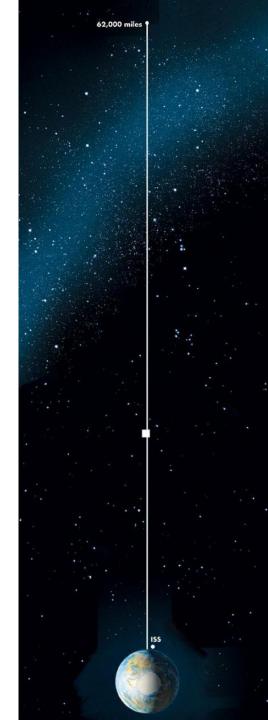
The 'BIG F' Future

OUR SPECIES IS NOT DOOMED!

We have 500 million years to figure something out.









I am a 'mental models' kind of guy

Because We Live in a Web 2.0 World...

Collective intelligence
Openness
Social networks
Collaboration
Interactivity
User-Created Content









Session Roadmap

Because this is not a 'lecture'.

What Happens to Many People At Technology Lectures



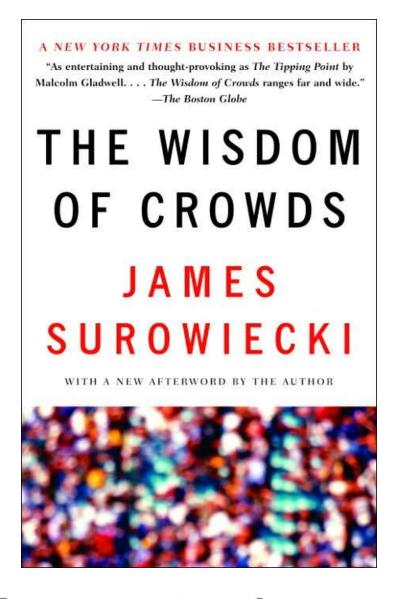
Because this is not a holiday....





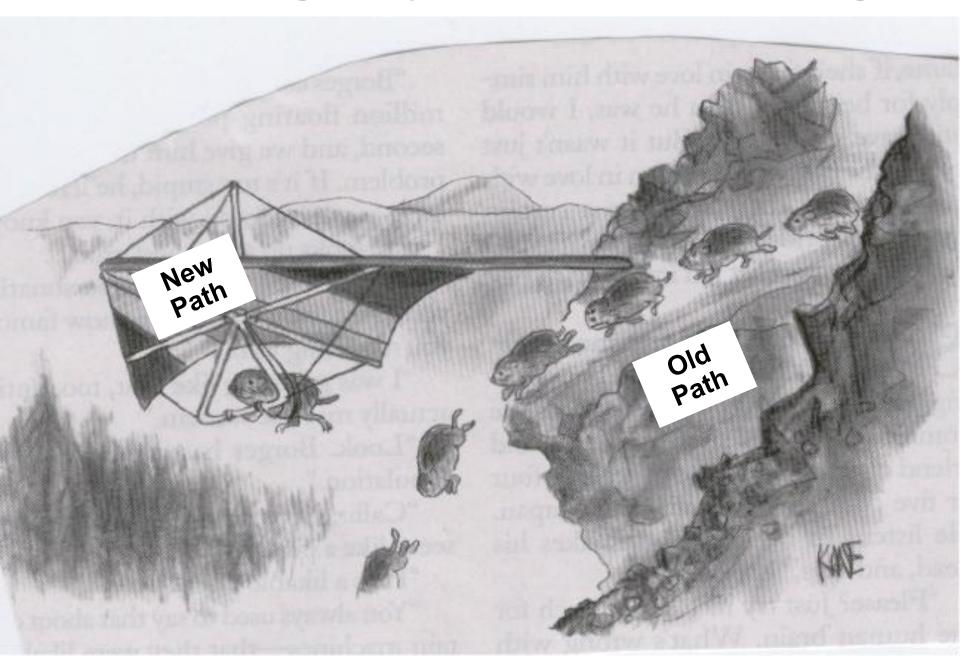
You are going to work....

Because All of Us...

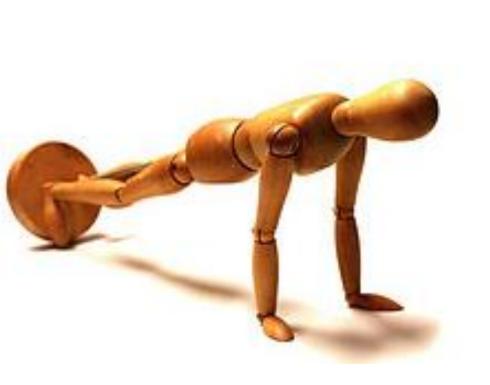


Are smarter than any one of us...

We Are Going to Try a New Path to Knowledge



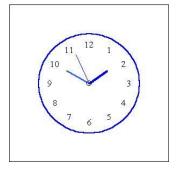
That Path Involves Several Quick Exercises...





Mental Models Exercise





5 minute exercise

In your groups, please divide the years

1987 through 2017

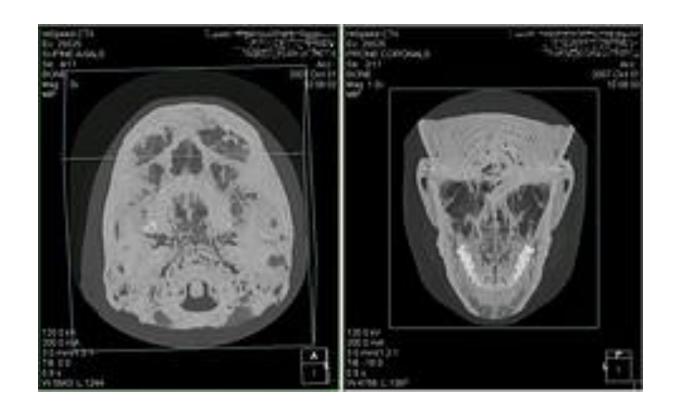
into 'analytic eras'.

[no less than 2, no more than 6]

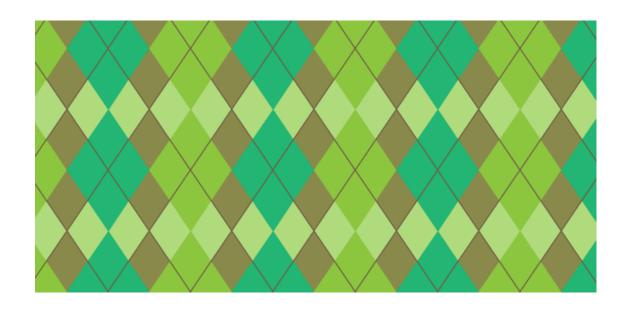
Report Backs



This Quick Exercise...



Provides A Revealing CAT Scan Of How Organizations Think About 'Analytics'

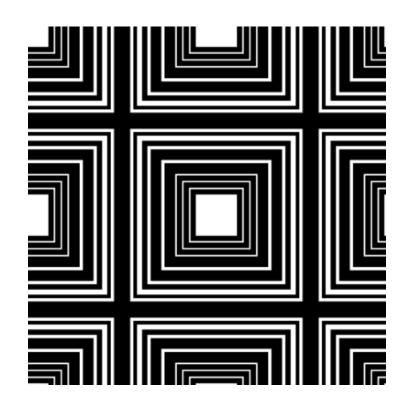


What Patterns/Trends [if any]

do you perceive

in your responses?

How Do Your Patterns...



Match Up With Those of Thousands of Other Execs?



During the exercise, where did you focus most of your time?

Responses from Executives Around the World



Focus is on the PAST rather than the future

???

A.M.O.

Line of Sight Next



Recent Past



Distant Past

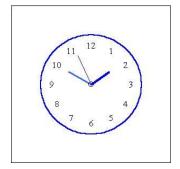


2010

Source: Thornton May, CIO Habitat Report

Mental Models Exercise Two





7 minute exercise

In your groups, please refocus on the years:

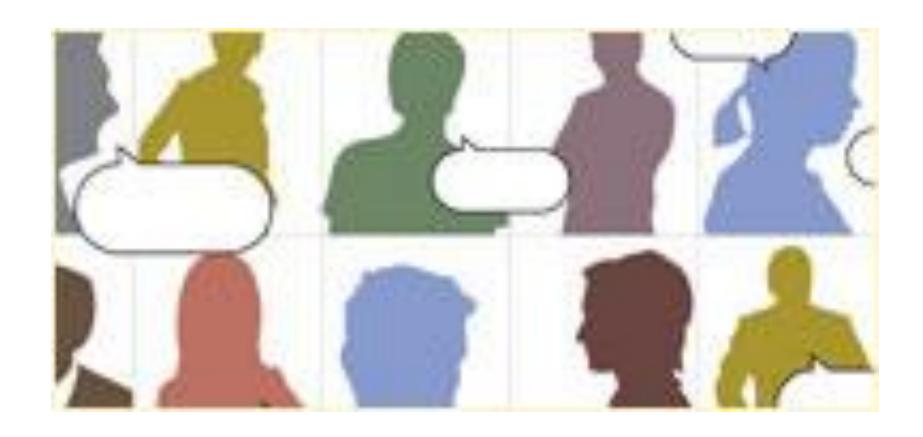
2010 through 2017

How will the analytical tool set change?

What will the BA/BI vendor landscape look like?

Will there be new winners & losers?

Report Backs



30 Years Studying How Organizations Make Decisions Reveal Three Different Mental Models of Little 'f' Futures

1.

The Future That Is A Predictable Linear Extrapolation of the World We Live In Today

2.

The "Oh S___!"/"Ah Ha...Eureka!" Future That Happens to You

3.

The Future We Create

All of our 'Nexts' Will Be A Blended Portfolio





I'd like to spend the rest of our time today

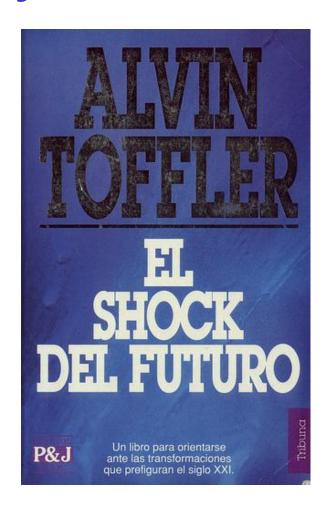
on the knowable trends that will materially impact our lives.

If We Had More Time...



We Could Collaboratively Create a List of Über Trends

My Former Boss, ūr-Futurist Al Toffler...





Was One of the First to Forecast Acceleration in all things.



Catching Up/Keeping Up would become a major source of angst...

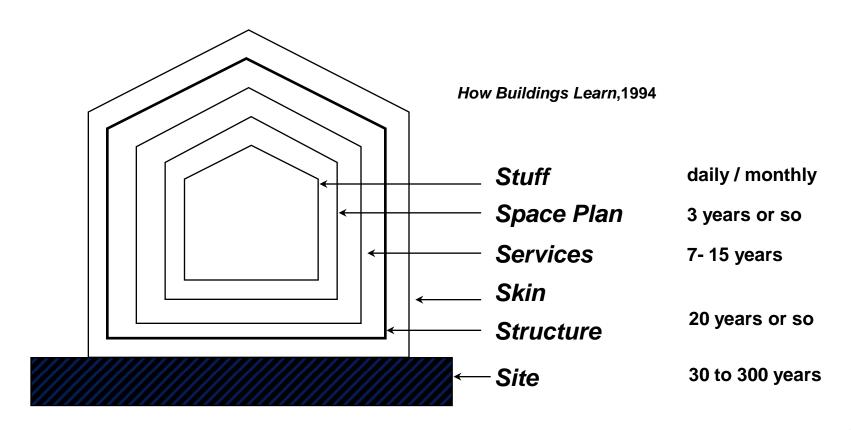






One of the Primary Jobs of Futurists...

Answer the question of how fast & how radically things are changing/becoming de-synchronized





The Doors on the Hinge of History are Swinging Open & Shut Much More Frequently

An analysis of the past quarter millennium reveals that historical hinges have tended to occur once every fifty years or so in the early industrial age;

once every twenty years in the later industrial age;

and once every five years in the meso-information age – the New Know.

"...every five years in the technology sector,

things change enough to force me to write another book."



Every Five Years...

New world, new game, new rules...

New behaviors?



We Know A Few Things about Change

[1] The pace of change is accelerating.

[2] The pace of change for various piece-parts of the world we live in is not uniform.







A Macro-Trend EVERY Executive Must Understand



Because the universe is accelerating un-evenly, certain piece-parts [i.e., institutions, skill sets, Practices & mind sets] run the risk of becoming

de-synchronized.

Macro
De-Synchronization #1

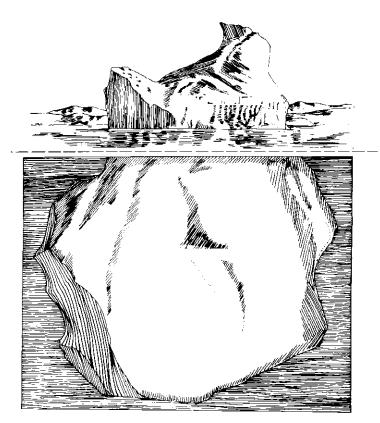
One of the Most Significant Areas of De-Synchronization...



the disconnect between our ability to create, collect and store data

&

our capability to thoroughly process and exploit it.



DARPATech
DARPA's 25th
Systems and Technology
Symposium
August 7, 2007

So Many Images, So Little Time





The 'pixel to pupil ratio' is so far skewed in favor of the pixels that only a small fraction of imagery can actually be processed.

Todd Hughes, Information Exploitation Office "The Mapping Revolution" DARPATech 2007 [August 9, 2007]



About 202,000,000 results (0.27 seconds)

Search Results

Too Much Information - An old house, a geek, a cute transvestite ...

Jun 16, 2010 ... The good news is, I start a new job Monday, it's lots closer to home, and with this little obsession out of the way, I can get back to *TMI*. ...

tmi-comic.com/ - Cached - Similar

Playlists and Archives for Too Much Information with Benjamen Walker

Too Much Information is the sober hangover after the digital party has run out of memes, apps and schemes. Host Benjamen Walker finds out that, ...

www.wfmu.org/playlists/TI - Cached

The 451 Take on information management — Too much information

Jun 11, 2010 ... The 451 Group was there in force, with Kathleen Reidy and Katey Wood representing our *Information* Management agenda, as well as Henry ... blogs.the451group.com/information_management/ - Cached - Similar

Search Results on Google for "too much information" [18 June 2010].



All Results

1-10 of 388,000,000 results. Advanced

Too Much Information - An old house, a geek, a cute transvestite, a ...

An old house, a geek, a cute transvestite, a very tall lesbian, and at least one ghost – what could happen?

tmi-comic.com · Cached page

Too Much Information - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

"Too Much Information" is the third single released from Duran Duran 's 1993 album, Duran Duran, popularly known as The Wedding Album.

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Too_Much_Information · Wikipedia on Bing

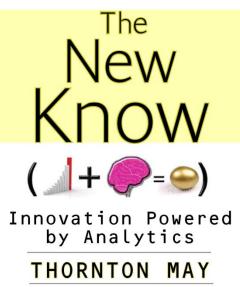
Too Much Information: The New Yorker

Signed comment about the Pentagon's Orwellian-sounding **Information** Awareness Office, run by disgraced Iran-Contra figure John M. Poindexter... In our time-in this terror-haunted ... www.newyorker.com/talk/content/?021209ta_talk_hertzberg

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Introductions by Jean E. Carter, Chief Knowledge Officer, NASA; John Chickering, CIO Fidelity Information Management and Chairman of the Association of Information and Image Managers.

New Know Reality



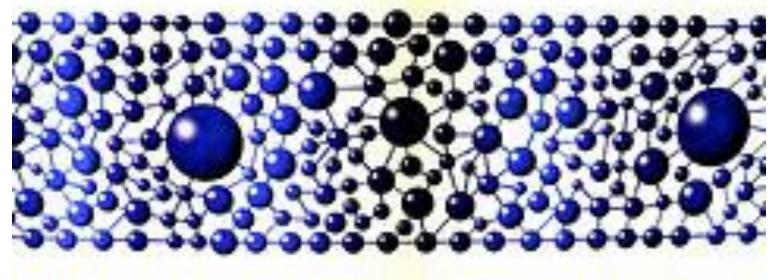
"There will be an incomprehensible, mind-explodingly massive expansion in the amount of information floating around."

What will this mean to YOU and Your business?

The Cumulative Impact of This....

In 15 years...





Every molecule on this planet Will be IP addressable....



In the next four years, there will be twice as much data as we have on the planet today.





The Future is Bright because...



There is NOTHING the human imagination linked with the power of analytics cannot accomplish.

Era Awareness

Did people living in "The Middle Ages" KNOW They Were Living in the Middle Ages?

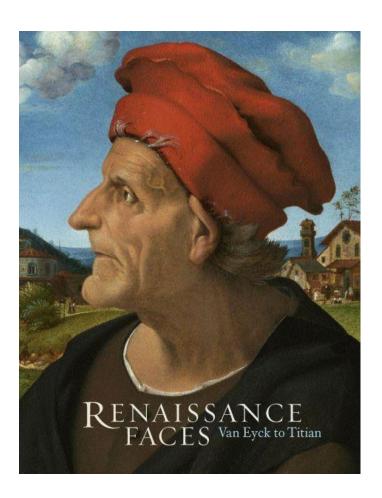


Era Awareness

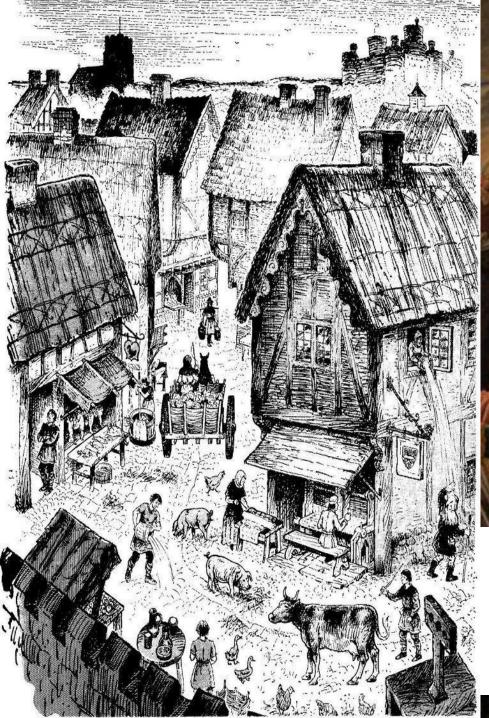
Did people living in "The Renaissance" KNOW They Were Living in "The Renaissance?

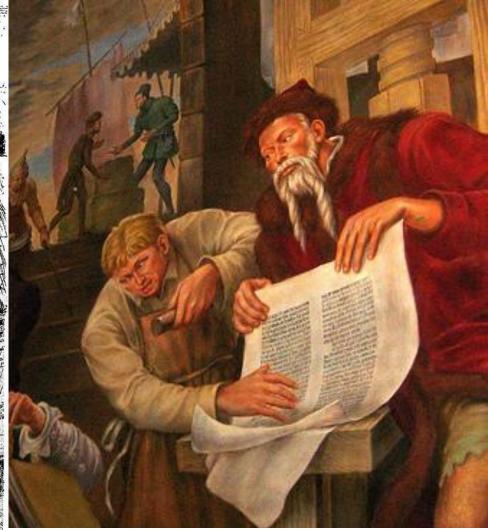










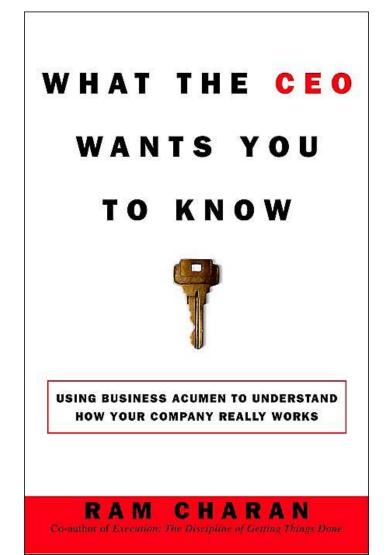


Do the Men and Women in your organization Know there is NOTHING They Cannot Know?

Continuing
'C' Level Landscape
Research

I have been spending some time with CEOs and CEO-Whisperers





Continuing
'C' Level Landscape
Research

CEOs are getting VERY Excited About Analytics...





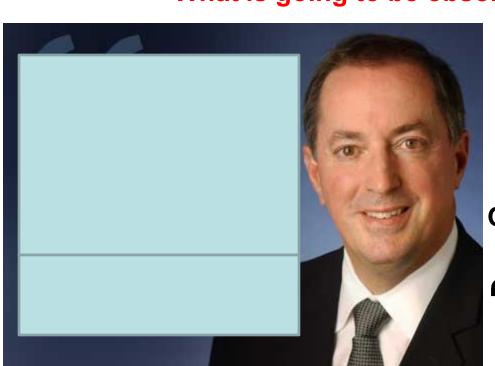




The New Know

Paul Otellini, CEO at Intel was recently asked by Charlie Rose:

"What is going to be obsolete next?





Otellini responded:

"Ignorance."

"...the medium of knowing has been

Transformed."

When You Think Business Analytics

Think F.O.D.D.R.S.

Forecasting

Operations Research

Data Mining

Data Integration

Reporting

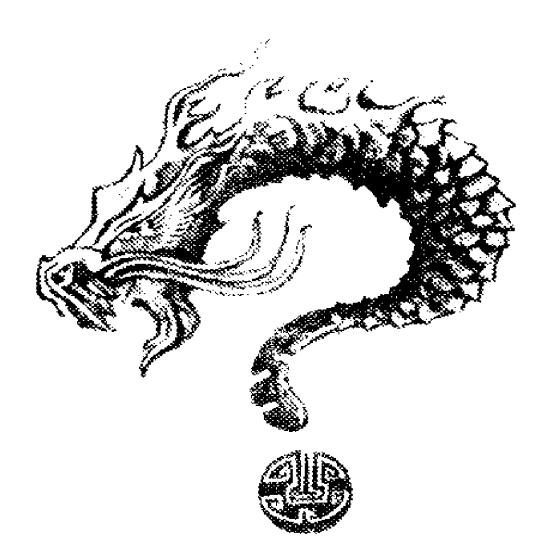
Statistics



Individuals & Organizations Can Re-synchronize What they actually know with what they are expected to know.

The Major Question of the 21st Century...

What are you going to do with all the information available to you?



Hypothesis:

A New Competency...

The desire to know will define the next quarter century.

In the not-so-distant future, guessing/making things up, not having the right data, or employing the wrong algorithms to the right data will come to be viewed as termination offenses and egregious social taboos.

Knowing

is to 21st century man

what

Walking erect

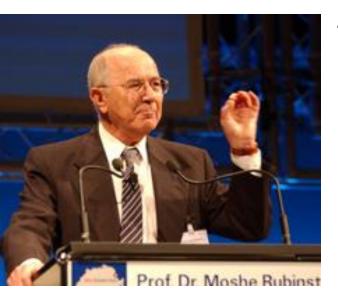
or

Fire

was to

our primitive forebears.

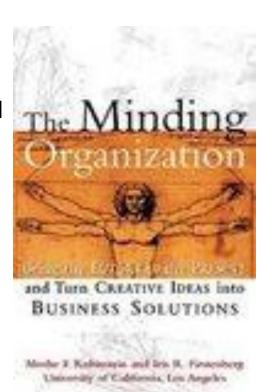
Hypothesis:



Moshe Rubinstein,
author of
The Minding Organization and
professor emeritus at UCLA
argues that the role of
strategy
is to

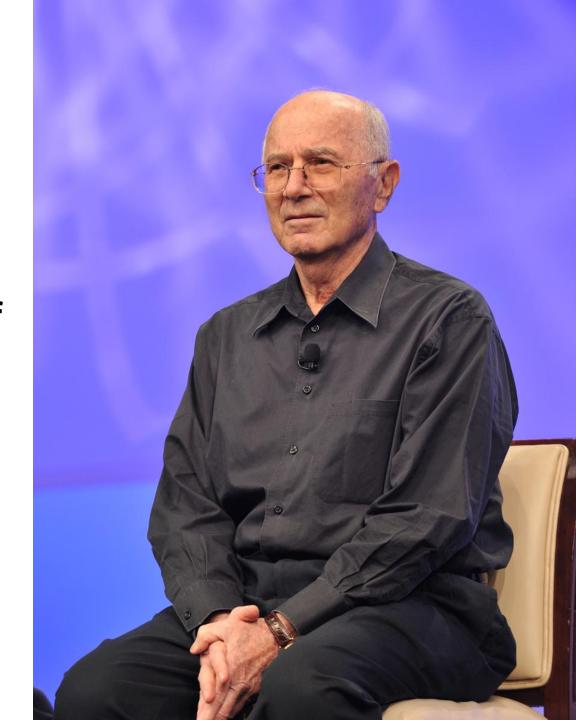
"render the competition irrelevant."

Your organization can do that... if you master business analytics...



Hypothesis:

Has your mastery of business analytics "rendered the competition irrelevant?"



Aspirations

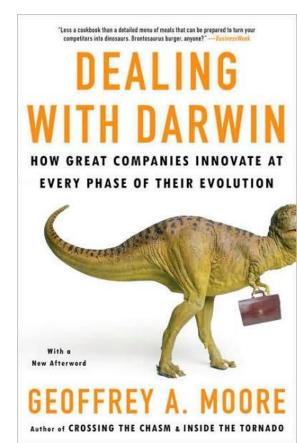


Geoffrey Moore,
author of
Dealing With Darwin
contends that
the end game
of informed innovation
is to create

meaningful separation from your competitive set

[i.e., are able to do something that the competition is either unable or unwilling to replicate].

Your organization can do that... if you master analytics



Aspirations

Has your IT
created
meaningful separation
from your
competitive set?



All my travel





All my observing





All my data collection...



Leads to one inescapable conclusion...



Being Able to Expeditiously Understand & Efficaciously Act on all this data lies between you & success...



Hypothesis

All roads to great...

Pass through

Business Analytics



The Visual Headline

