

# As We May Think

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Bush describes the "memex," as a kind of proto-hypertext system that would enable users to organise and retrieve information in a random way. Bush's memex would function similarly to the connections in current web systems by enabling users to construct links between different bits of information. He envisions this method being used on a desk-sized machine that would enable users to store and retrieve enormous amounts of data. Additionally, he makes assumptions about how this approach may be applied to assist users in resolving complicated issues by drawing connections between material that at first glance appears unrelated.

"For the biologists, and particularly for the medical scientists, there can be little indecision, for their war has hardly required them to leave the old paths."

- Compared to many other fields advancements have occurred
- Even though it is clear that the medical field have had advancements that have been drastic, yet they still follow the same roots beginning from the start

"Today we make the record conventionally by writing and photography, followed by printing; but we also record on film, on wax disks, and on magnetic wires."

cameras

- advancement of technology focusing on cameras
- new materials constantly coming out
- cameras and photograph have had a huge impact on media
  - With that advancement the way we can express and understand what we can't be there to see in person
  - Understanding ideas through pictures can be misleading

"Often it would be advantageous to be able to snap the camera and to look at the picture immediately."

- Photographers now can see how their picture look and can be portrayed right from when they take it
  - This can lead to them being able to retake if it does not show and express what they want it to