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# Future Solutions Project: Developing your Solution

FSE150 Future Solutions Project

# Progress you've made

- Needs Assessment is COMPLETE
  - Customers & stakeholders
  - Customer needs
  - Opportunity for Innovation
  - Functional Requirements
  - Value Proposition
- Now you begin Brainstorming Solution Ideas

# Engineers...

- Explore the world with **CURIOSITY** to find opportunities to create value
- Make **CONNECTIONS** between different people, information, and knowledge to develop solutions

**CREATE VALUE** for Society

# Future Solutions Project

- Your Task: Develop a future solution to a problem/need in one of the Grand Challenge areas
- **Identify an Opportunity** to create added value for society
- **Develop a Solution** which you *imagine* may exist in the future
- **Identify current enabling technologies**
- **Identify key technology development milestones**
- Identify **potential social challenges** (moral, cultural, political, global, etc.)
- Describe the **societal benefits** (value created) and other **social impact** of your solution

# Product Development

- Identify a problem
- Determine Customer Needs
- Define Functional Requirements (what the product has to do)
- **Develop solution(s) to meet Needs & Requirements**

# Begin Designing a Solution

- Start imagining your solution
- How will your solution fulfill the needs/requirements and create value?
- What Technologies will you use?



REMEMBER:

Use customer needs to drive your design

**CUSTOMER NEEDS → DESIGN FEATURES**

# Value Proposition Canvas

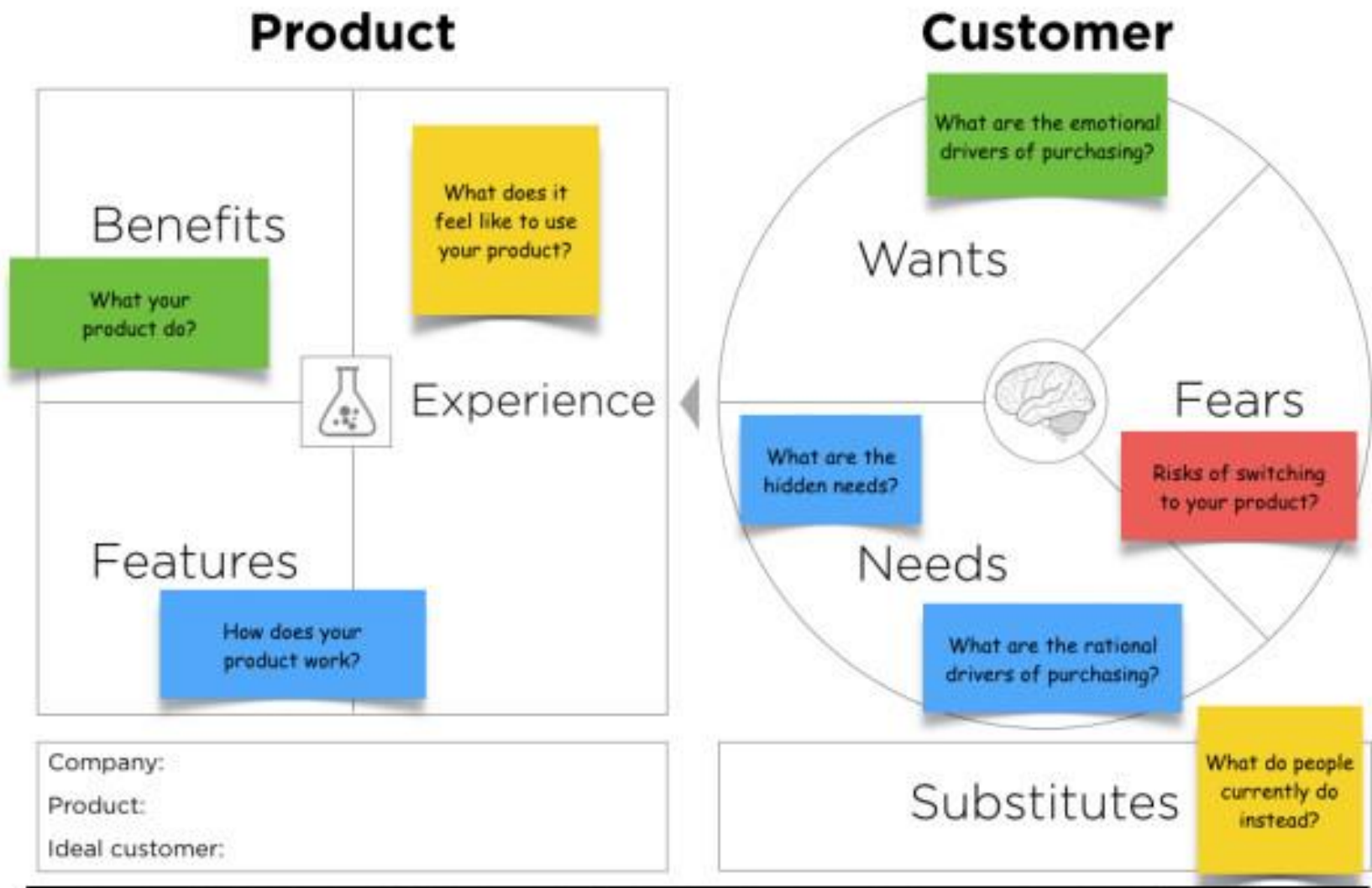


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Once you have some ideas...Think  
about the important details...

- **How will your solution accomplish your goals? (Form, Function, key features)**
- **What Technologies will you use?**

# Step 1: Review Requirements

What does your 'product' need to do?

- Review Functional Requirements
- Be quantitative (if/when possible)

# Step 2: Identify Technology needed for solution to meet requirements

How will your solution meet those goals?

- Identify Technologies & Knowledge required
  - Current enabling technologies (As is OR Develop further)
  - New Technologies (that don't exist yet)
  - Scientific Principles & Knowledge

# Enabling Technologies

- What technologies are currently under development (in research) or commercially available that may contribute to the development of your solution?
  - Find specific technologies (cite sources!)
  - May not have the exact capabilities you need...

# Examples (Previous Future Solutions Project)

- “Recollection” (chip implant under the skull that allows memory manipulation)
- Enabling Technologies: battery technology, wireless communication technologies, nanoscale electronics, brain-computer interface, EEG, advanced polymers and coatings, quantum computing, etc..

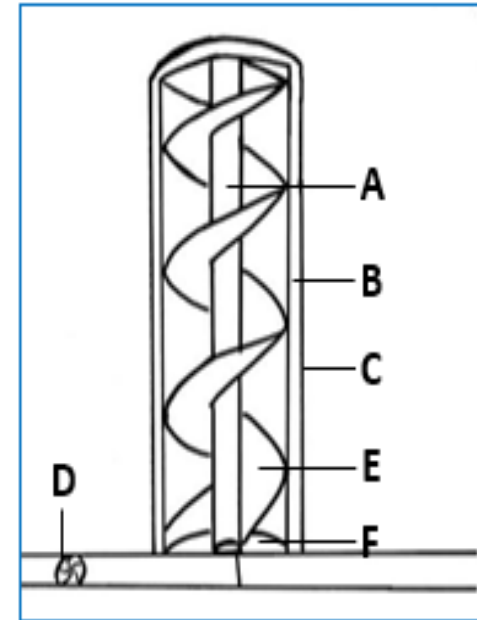


# Examples (Previous Future Solutions Project)

- Sustainable Greenhouse Towers

## Components

- A: Inner pipe moves runoff up the tower
- B: Clean water drains to outside pipe
- C: Nano solar cells to power [1] [5]
- D: Centrifugal water pump [8]
- E: Inner spiral: Filtering crops [4], Hydroponics [10]
- F: Biofilter to remove remaining contaminants [4]



- Examples of enabling technologies:

- Centrifugal water pump, high efficient transparent solar cells, carbon fiber materials, hydroponics, genetically engineered plants, genetically engineered bacteria, etc.

# Step 3: Identify Development milestones (the 'road map')

How will we get from Here (Now, current tech) to There (Future, your solution)

- What future technological advancements or development is needed?
- May be helpful to create a Diagram to visualize

# Development Milestones

- What is the 'gap' between current 'enabling technologies' and the technologies required for your solution?
- What advancements, combinations of technology, and/or development of new technology need to be made in the future to fill that 'gap'?

**Current Technologies & Milestones**

**Key:**

- Current Technology
- Milestone
- Specific Function
- Function

**Current Technologies:**

- DNA sequencing
- ProteinChip(R) BioMarker System [7]
- Cancer Care Engineering [9]
- Nanococoons [10] & Golden Nanorods
- Homomorphic Encryption [11]

**Milestones:**

- Continued research of precursors of cancer in DNA/genome
- Has to be put to use in the cloud
- Quantify electrical signals and sent to the cloud [8]
- Create body-centered coordinate grid or research environmental characteristics of tumor [8]
- Use info about patient and the cancer from the cloud as input
- Program them to reach the exact site of tumor
- Make data computations and decision making faster [11]
- Create algorithm to handle large amounts of data [12]

**Specific Functions:**

- Nanobot-Free Diagnostic
- Nanobot Diagnostic
- Monitor Nanobots
- Drug Selection
- Simulation
- Drug Delivery
- Cancer Progression Tracker
- Health Monitoring & notifications
- Patient-Physician Interaction
- Cancer Recommender System

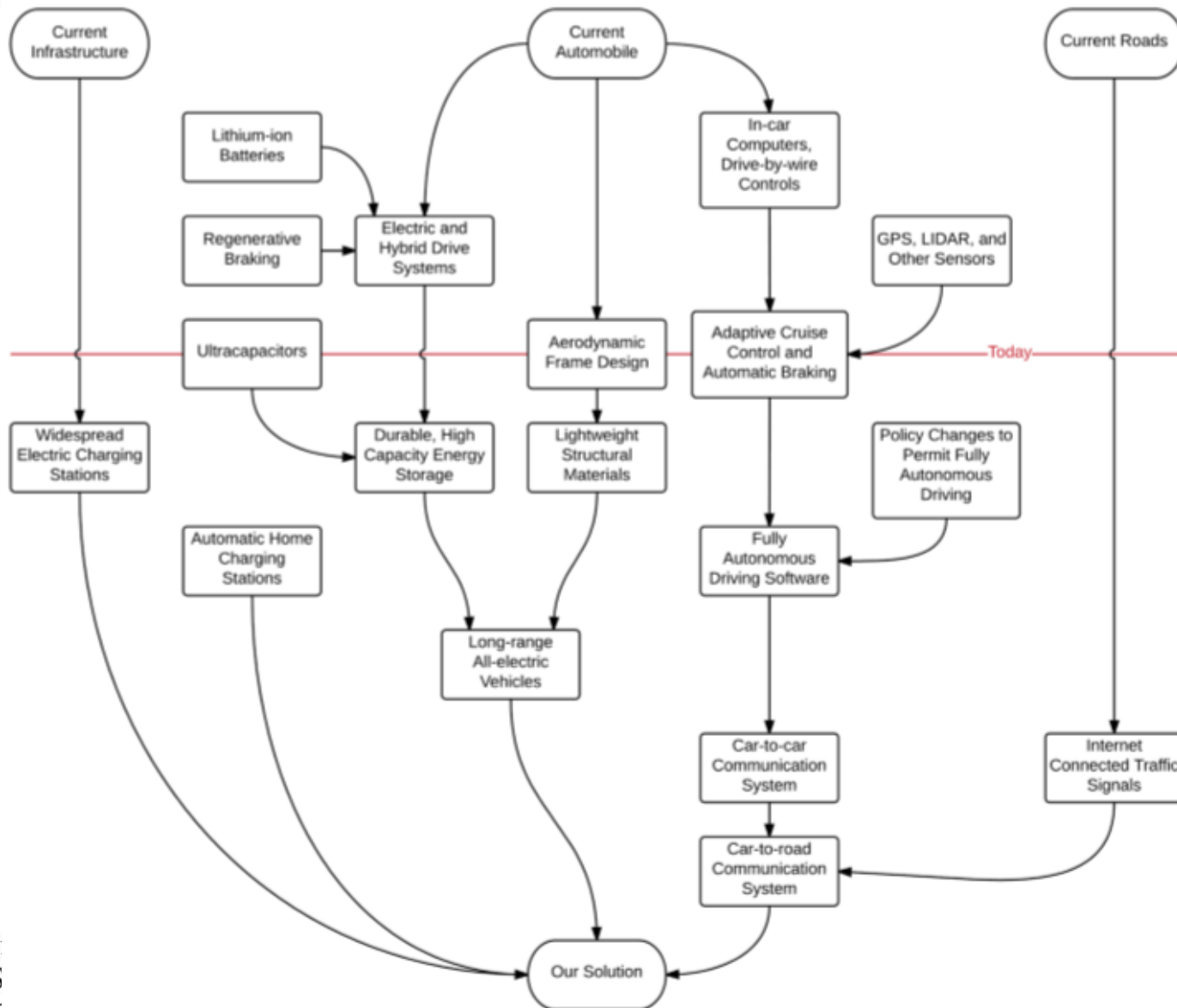
**Functions:**

- Cancer Detection
- Personalized Treatment Plan
- Drug Delivery & Cancer Progression Tracker
- Mobile App
- Cancer Recommender System

**Cloud Care**



# Technology Development





# Today's Goals

- Begin Imagining possible design solution(s)
  - Think about Form, function (pictures & words)
  - Create Design features to satisfy customer needs
- Think about **HOW** your solution will work
  - Identify technologies, knowledge, etc. that are required for your solution
  - Find currently available 'enabling' technologies for your solution (in research, or on the market)

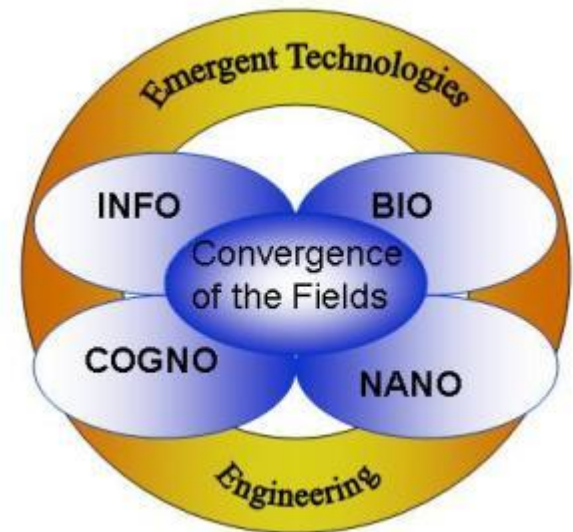
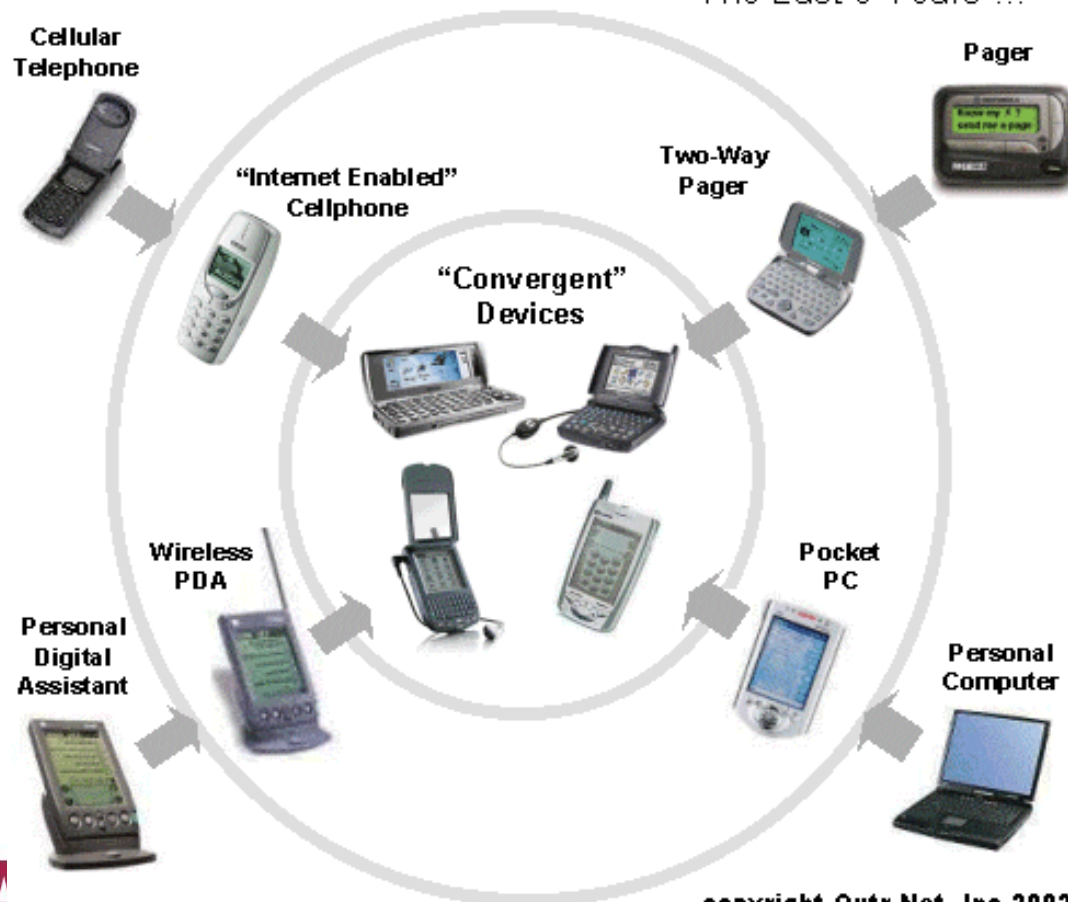


# ADDITIONAL EXAMPLES OF VISUALS (FOR INSPIRATION)

# Examples

## "Convergence"

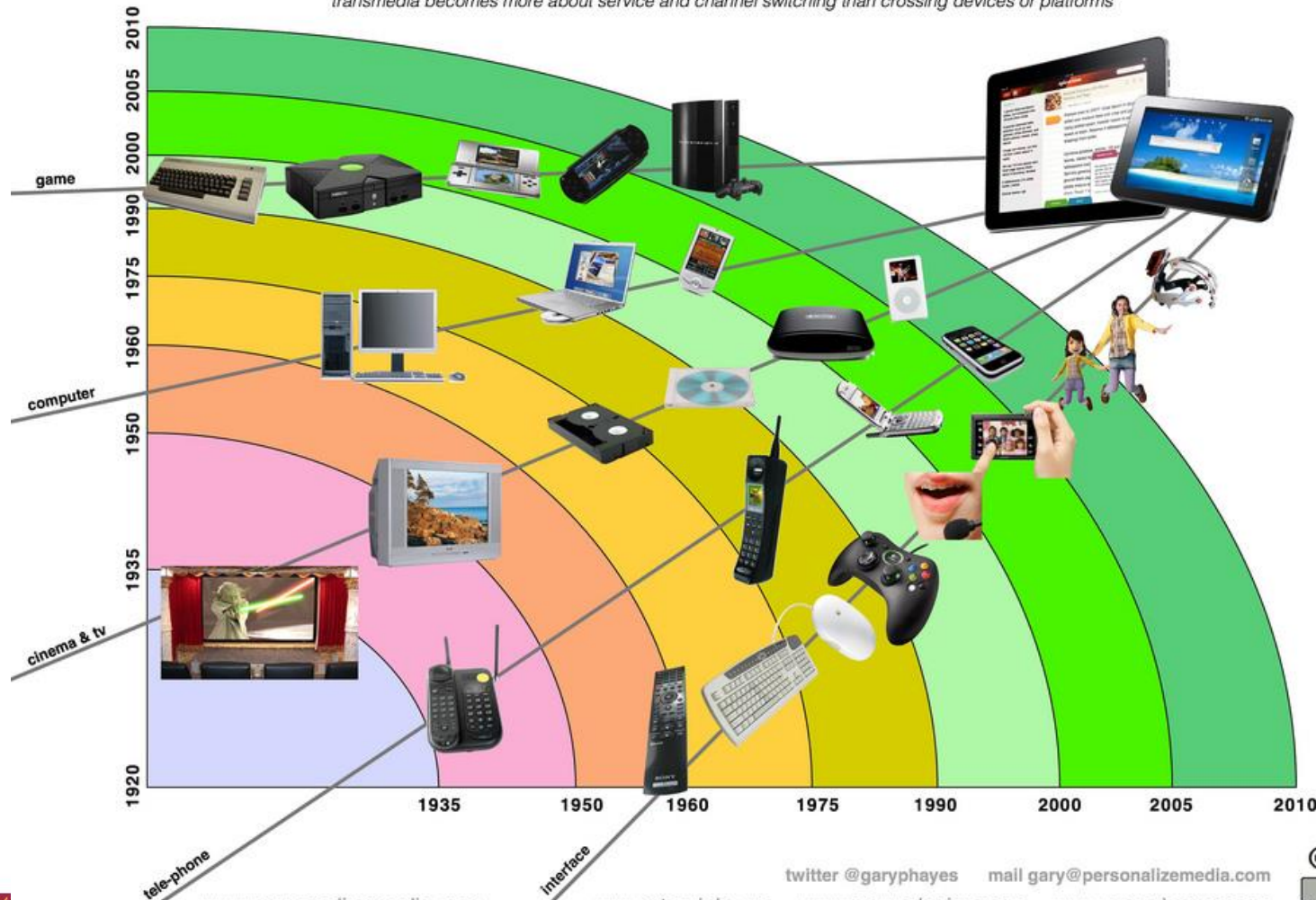
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# Platform Convergence and the Dawn of Trans-Media Channels © Gary Hayes 2010

An updated chart (and post/article) looking at the evolution of key platforms towards a convergent device on which transmedia becomes more about service and channel switching than crossing devices or platforms



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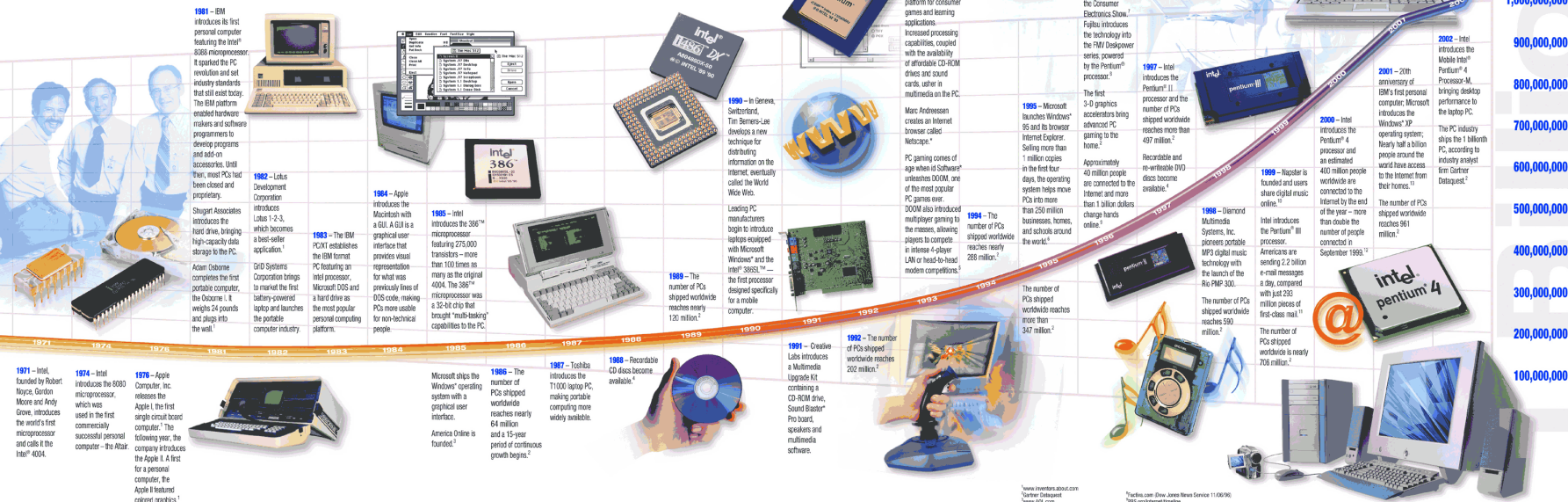


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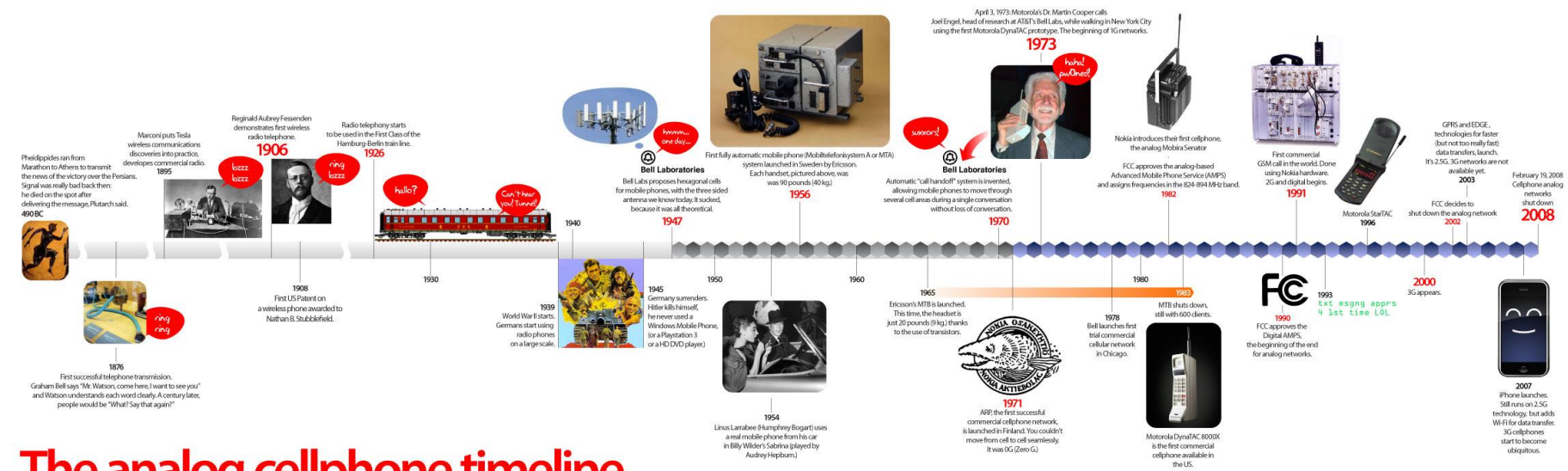
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Highlights from the Journey to 1 Billion PCs

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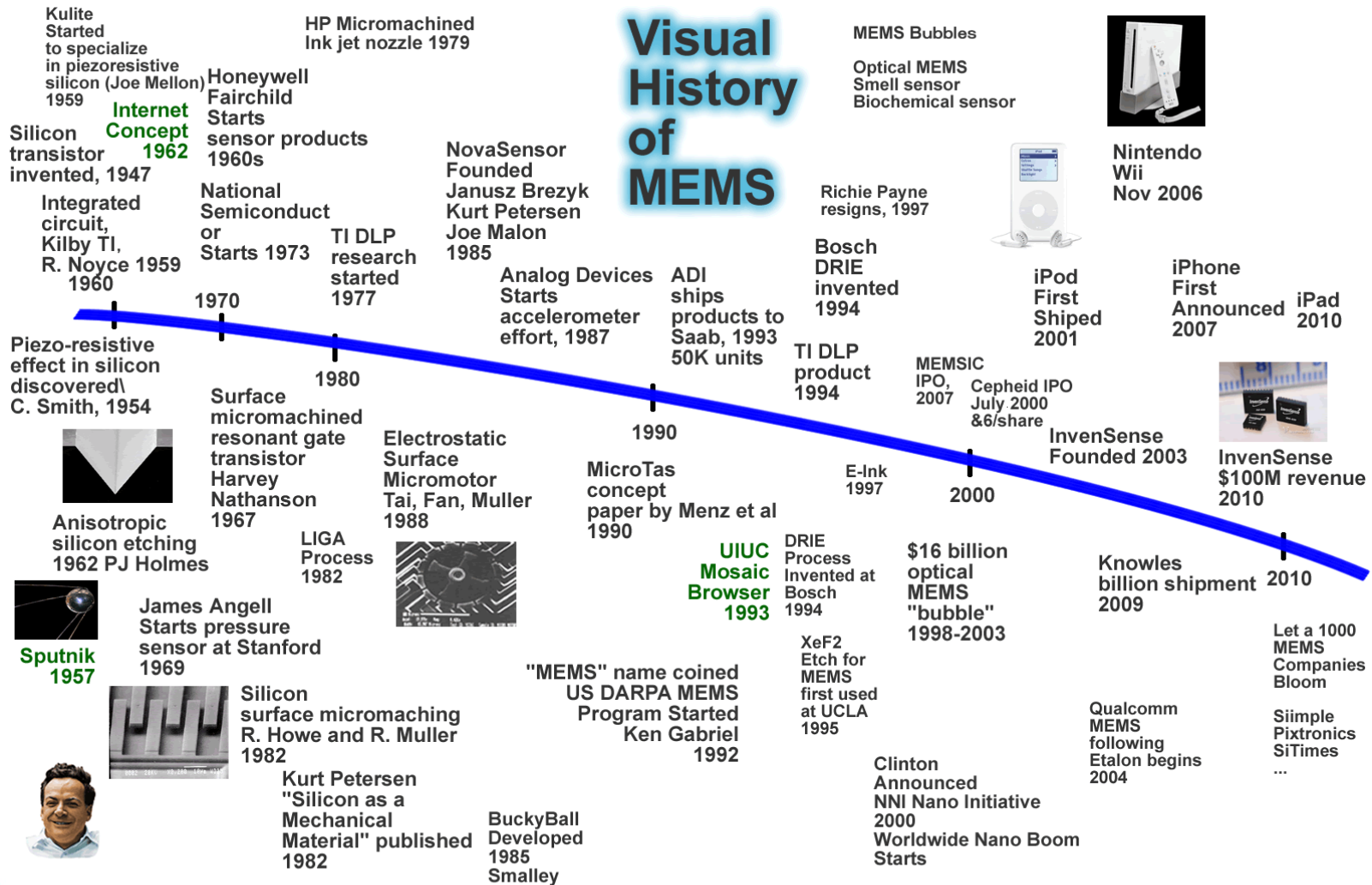


# The analog cellphone timeline

by Jesús Díaz · Gizmodo



# Visual History of MEMS



Feynman  
"Plenty of room  
at the bottom"  
1959

Motorola  
Cellular  
Phone  
Demo  
1973

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