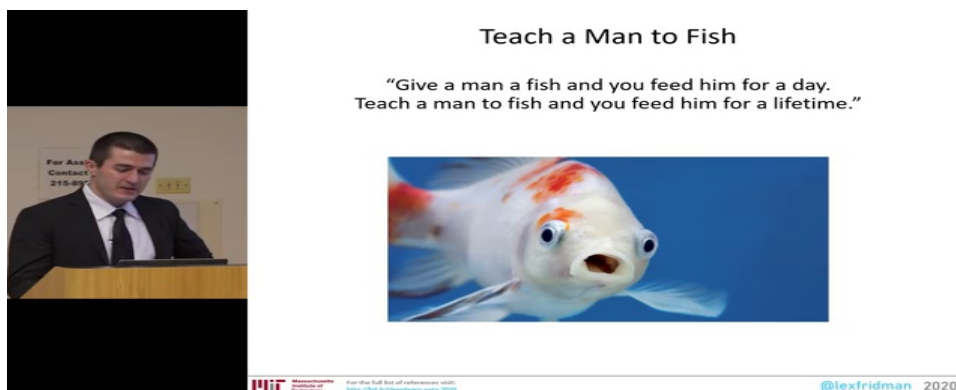
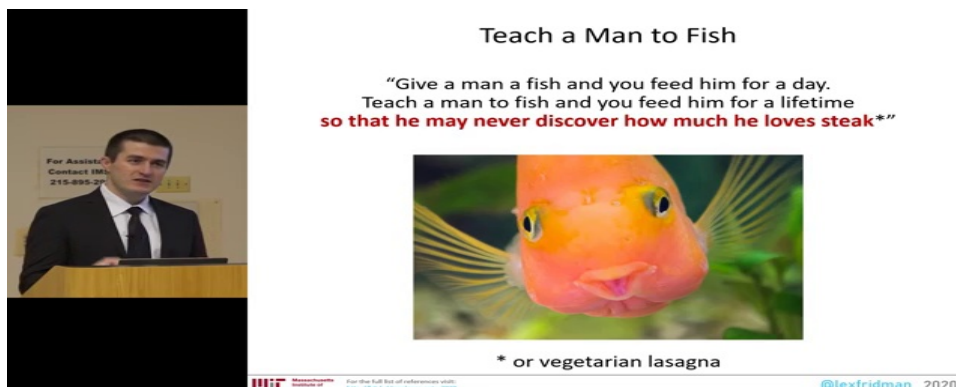


Few are those who see with their own eyes and feel with their own hearts. Now wait that that actually was Albert Einstein. Different different due similar haircut for those. Similar, you know there's a.



It actually goes on to say. So that he may never discover how much he loves steak or vegetarian lasagna. For those of you who are vegetarian in the audience.



There's a voice inside of you that whispers all day long. I feel that this is right for me. I know that this is wrong. Over two small topics, life and artificial intelligence. Now. From an optimization perspective. And one of my Co advisors has always told me when you show a plot you have to describe the X axis and the Y axis as a good engineer. There you go. That's less than #1. The X axis is competence, the Y axis is confidence. And there's there's something called the Dunning Kruger effect, which is captured by this plot, and that is at the beginning of your journey of competence when you're not very good at something when you're first taking the first steps of learning something is some of you here are in the engineering fields, you're overly confident it's the peak of confidence, and you're at the lowest stage of actually of your abilities of your expertise, and it's funny.



## Talk Outline

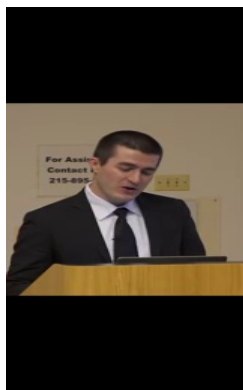
- **Life** – Open Problems and Solutions
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That I am speaking here before you today.



## College: “Collapse” of “Ego”



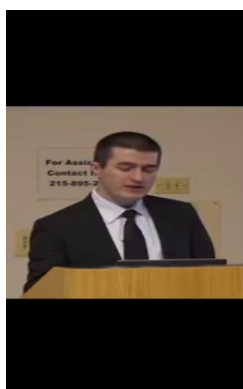
“Pain and suffering are always inevitable for a large intelligence and a deep heart. The really great men must, I think, have great sadness on earth.”

Fyodor Dostoevsky  
Crime and Punishment

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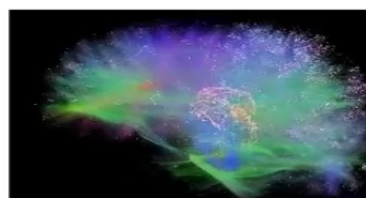
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Which is after the peak of confidence and the valley of despair. There's a gradient provided to you by your advisors, by your parents, by your friends, your loved ones, society in general, the gradient over which you're optimized to achieve a some definition of success. This is what I call the local optimum. Yearly and for the rest of your life, tells you what the definition of success is. That's the local optimum. What I'd like to argue is some ideas of how to break out of that Convention of how to listen just enough to hear the lessons in society, advises friends and parents, but for the rest of it, ignore their voices and only listen to your own voice. For me, that's understanding the human mind and engineering. Artificial intelligence systems. Visualized on the left here is just 3% of the neurons in the human brain.



## Artificial Intelligence - My Dream

Understand the Human Mind  
and **Engineer** Echoes of it in the Machine

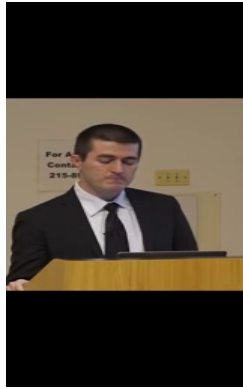


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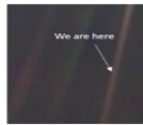
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That's my research work is focused on most of the work at MIT, and before that has been our robotics and autonomous vehicles. But now the dream is to create a system that you can love and it can love you back. A brief history of artificial intelligence to give you a sense to give you a quick review of this is a totally new field.



## Artificial Intelligence in Context of Human History



### Perspective:

- Universe created 13.8 billion years ago
- Earth created 4.54 billion years ago
- Modern humans 300,000 years ago
- Civilization 12,000 years ago
- Written record 5,000 years ago



### Dreams, mathematical foundations, and engineering in reality.

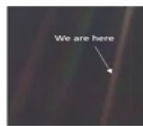
Alan Turing, 1951: "It seems probable that once the machine thinking method had started, it would not take long to outstrip our feeble powers. They would be able to converse with each other to sharpen their wits. At some stage therefore, we should have to expect the machines to take control."

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### Kasparov vs Deep Blue, 1997



### Lee Sedol vs AlphaGo, 2016



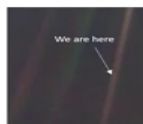
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Was able to defeat. The greatest player in the world. Little side note. If you wanna have an impact as an engineer, autonomous vehicles is the space you will do so in the next in the twenty 20s. And now Greg Quick whirlwind overview of key ideas in artificial intelligence that were key breakthroughs, so neural networks and perceptron. Like I said, was born in the 40s, fifties and 60s with the algorithms that dominate today's world of deep learning.



## History of Deep Learning Ideas and Milestones\*



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- 1943: Neural networks
- 1957-62: Perceptron
- 1970-86: Backpropagation, RBM, RNN
- 1979-98: CNN, MNIST, LSTM, Bidirectional RNN
- 2006: "Deep Learning", DBN
- 2009: ImageNet + AlexNet
- 2014: GANs
- 2016-17: AlphaGo, AlphaZero
- 2017: 2017-19: Transformers

\* Dates are for perspective and not as definitive historical record of invention or credit

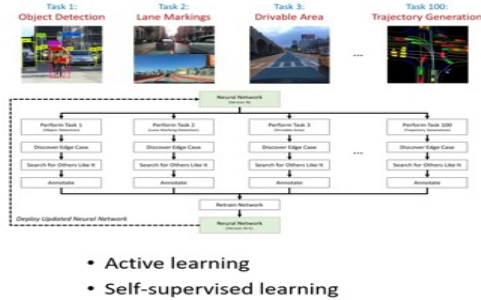
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Is the idea? You know there's a. There's a concept of Big Bang for the start of the universe. A silly name for one of the most incredible mysteries of our human existence. Same way self play is one of the silliest names for one of the most powerful ideas in artificial intelligence. That you explore. So the open problems in artificial intelligence and possible solutions and one of the things and I'll focus on #4, which is something that I am that is my dream that is sort of my life aspiration, but I'll give a worldwind introduction, learning to understand learning, to act, reason, and a deep connection between humans and AI systems, so learning to understand there's a lot of exciting possibilities here.



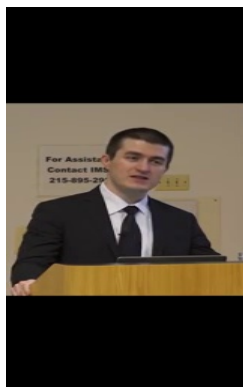
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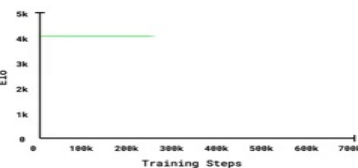
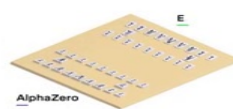
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Now that's all good, but to solve real world problems, you have to. Actually you have to deal with endless edge cases that we human beings. Effortlessly take care of that. Our ability to do reasoning and common sense reasoning effortlessly takes care of, so be able to learn overall those edge cases you have to do much larger scale learning, and for that you have to be much more selective and clever about which data you annotate with human beings. And that's the idea of active learning. Same way with as children we explore the world we interact with the world to pick up the lessons from it. The same way you can interact with the data set to select only small parts of it to learn from, and I'll take Tesla, which is a car company that's using autonomous driving and it's system autopilot that uses deep learning to learn. To solve all these different problems, I'll use them as a case study. What they're doing is quite interesting in the space of active learning, they're creating a pipeline for each individual task. Its own data set. And there's a machine learning system that learns from that data set. And is then deployed back into the vehicles and when the vehicle fails in a particular case, that's an edge case that's marked for the system and is brought back to the pipeline to annotate. So there is ongoing pipeline that continuously goes on. The system is not very good in the beginning, but the whole purpose of it is to discover edge cases in the same way that human us humans learn something and you can think of our actually existence in the world as an edge case discovery mechanism. So you learn something, you construct a mental model of the world and you move about the world until you run up against the case. Again, no human supervision. And. Through randomization you have other systems that also know nothing but know a different set of nothing.



## Learning to Act

### Shogi



- Self-play: most powerful idea in AI
  - Automatic Domain Randomization (ADR) – generate progressively more difficult environment as the system learns (alternative for self-play)
- Simulation

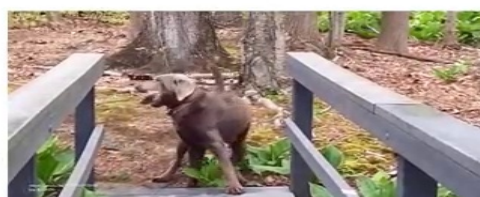
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Dog intelligence system. Solving a particular problem so we know nothing how to do about how to do reasoning systems in artificial intelligence. This is the.



## Reasoning

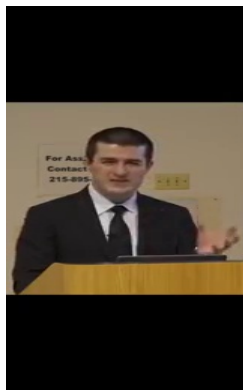


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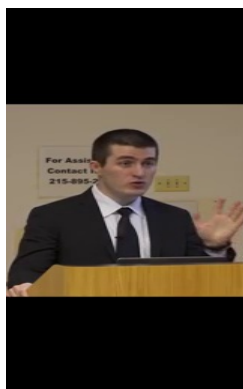
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That we we learn, and we accumulate in a knowledge base. This process is a really exciting area of research that nobody knows what to do with. The things I've described previously don't really have anything to do with humans necessarily.



## Deep Meaningful Connection Between Humans & AI Systems

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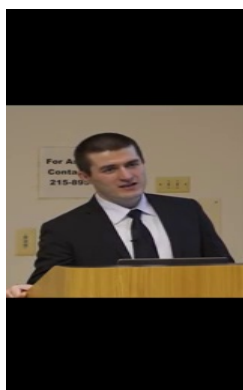
- Recommender systems – especially social networks
- Deep personalization of smart systems (e.g., semi-autonomous vehicles)
- Personal assistants, friendship, companionship

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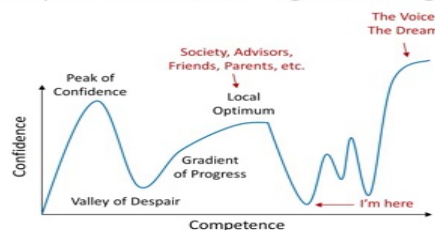
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There's you human that are tasked with. Sitting there and supervising the machine, and there is an AI system in the middle that manages that and manages the tension in the dynasty uncertainty. The human that all the the keyword, the trust, all the mess of human beings, and manages that. That's a really exciting space. That is, in the very early days what I show there. It's I believe it'll be obvious in retrospect, how much opportunity there is to learn about human beings from the devices, and from that to form a deep, meaningful connection. So now to return. To my value of despair. So in this context, in this optimization context. My first piece of advice is to listen to your inner voice. I think a lot of people, including a lot of very smart professors, advisors, parents, friends.



## Advice 1 of 5: Listen to your inner voice – ignore the gradient



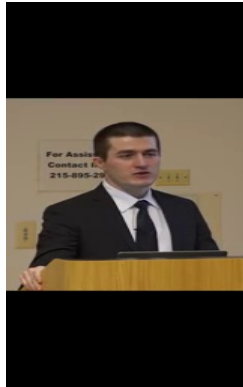
- The voices around you will want you to follow the gradient to the local optimum. Listen just long enough to learn and short enough to ignore them.

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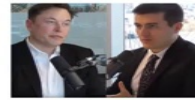
And if that means taking a few detours. Take the detours. Again, this is coming from the valley of despair.



## Advice 2 of 5: Carve you own path – take the detour

My detours:

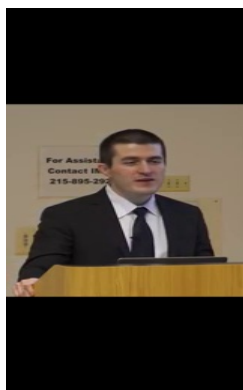
- Music
- Martial arts
- Poetry
- Reading
- Programming
- Teaching
- Podcast



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Starting a podcast. Advice #3 is to measure. Measure passion, not progress. Some most of us get an average of about 27,000 days of life. I think a good metric by which you should live. Is to maximize the number of those days that are filled with a passionate pursuit of something. But the people who love you, the people who care for you. Like like I mentioned your friends your family. Should not be trusted. And since society will tell you to be to find balance, work life balance in your life. Because passion looks unhealthy. Advice #4 Make a habit of working hard every day. Putting in the hours. There's a lot of books and a lot of advice have been written on working smart and not working hard. I'm yet to meet anyone.



## Advice 4 of 5: Work hard – form a habit of daily deep work

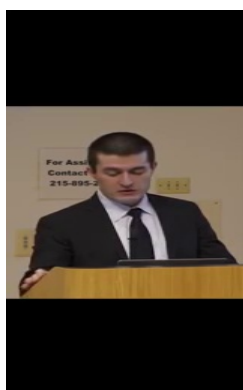
**Put in the hours, every day, for years.**

- **Work Smart:** It takes thousands of hours of hard work and countless failures to learn how to “work smart.”
  - Hard work is not measured in hours of being busy, but in hours of deep work (see Deep Work book by Cal Newport)
- **Stress:** Seek to minimize stress not work. Best cure for stress is to love what you do.

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Who has not truly worked hard for thousands of hours in order to accomplish something great? You have to love what you do. And the final piece of advice. I love that picture. OK, it's to look up to the stars and appreciate every single moment you're alive at the mystery of this world at the at. The beauty of this world. Again, this is my perspective. Is. Is the thing that makes life worthwhile? And that is to me happiness. So with those silly few pieces of advice, I'd like to continue on a gratitude and say thank you.



## Advice 5 of 5: Forever oscillate between dissatisfaction & gratitude



**In the desert**  
By Stephen Crane

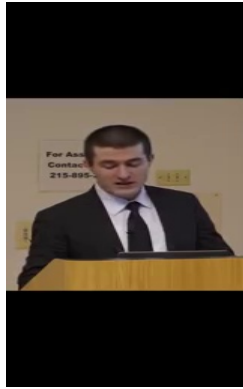
In the desert  
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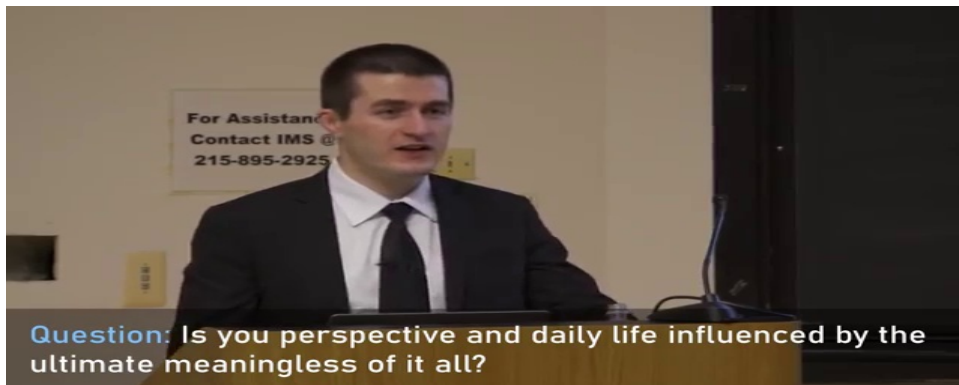
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Thank you for their love. I appreciate it. I've never been introduced with this much energy. You're hanging at the wrong places. Yes. Big fan of your lectures. Big fan of the podcast.



So colonizing Mars. Is like that's what that's like. One of the most exciting things we human beings can do. For me. Like if I were to psychoanalyze myself, there's something in me that's deeply fulfilling about creating. Intelligent systems. Maybe like French cuisine you have to like cleanse the palate. It's a good question to ask. Like we're now we're not now talking about the latest paper we're now talking about the bigger questions of life. That the simulation question is a nice way to do that in terms of actually practically. I think it's. There's 2 interesting things to say, so one it's interesting to me. I'm a big fan of virtual reality I love. I love the war. I love entering worlds, even primitive as they are now that are virtual. I can already imagine that more and more people would want to live in those worlds. And it's an interesting question to me. They get really. They get angry actually. So. I want to say. Oh yeah. So. People talk about athletes and academics being the greatest of their field. People consider just the elements to be one of the greatest runners of all time. Today, people consider scientists like Isaac. Newton on the greatest science ever because of his advancements in class mechanics and calculus, which considered pretty basic physics analogies. What do you define greatness? Developed by Pythagoras. I read it on Wikipedia. I don't know if it's true, but you know that's that's that's an example of somebody I at least thought it was kind of an actual entity, an actual human being that was great and associated with this idea. So to me, I think greatness is

doing the things you love and the rest is just luck. Whether they tell a good story by you or not.

