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API & DOC NERDS
AUDIENCES

DOCUMENT-API-TOPIA #APIDOCS

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@apihandyman

AXA Banque

A not so long time ago in an APIverse
not so far, far away....

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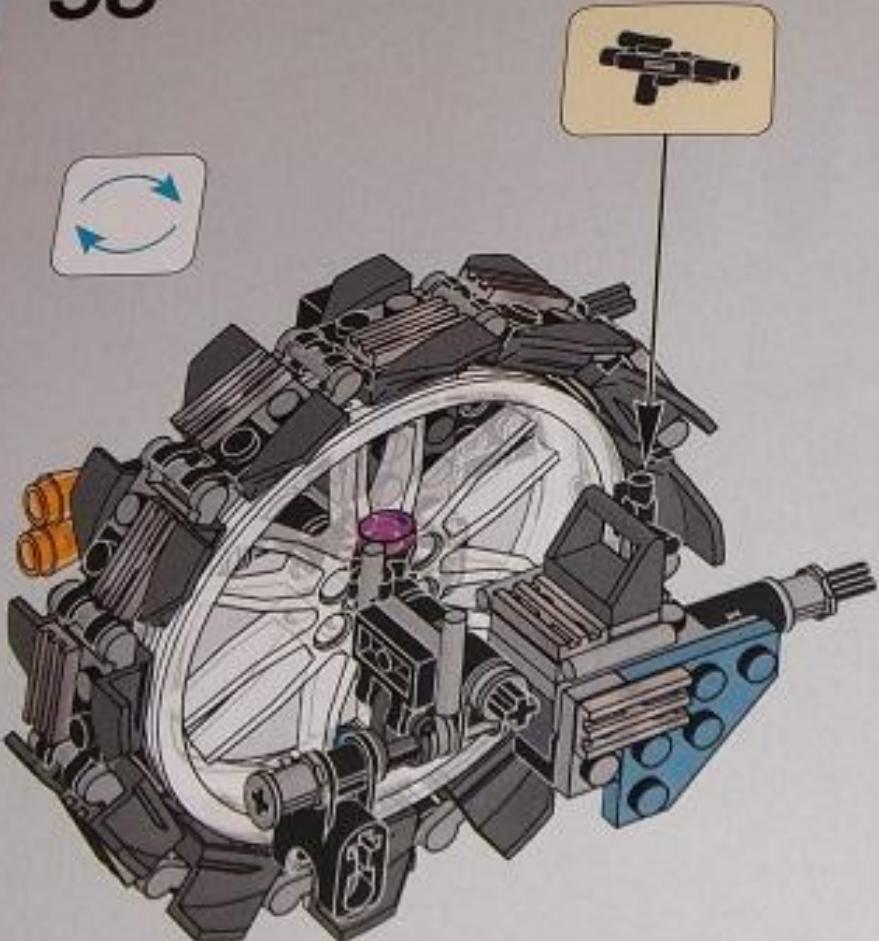
Episode I

SYNNECROSIS MENACE

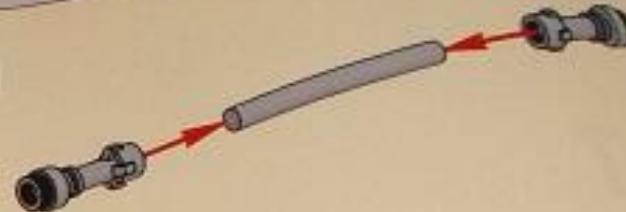
Turmoil has engulfed the API-verse. The documentation of API systems is in dispute.

The API Evangelist, the guardian of peace and justice in the

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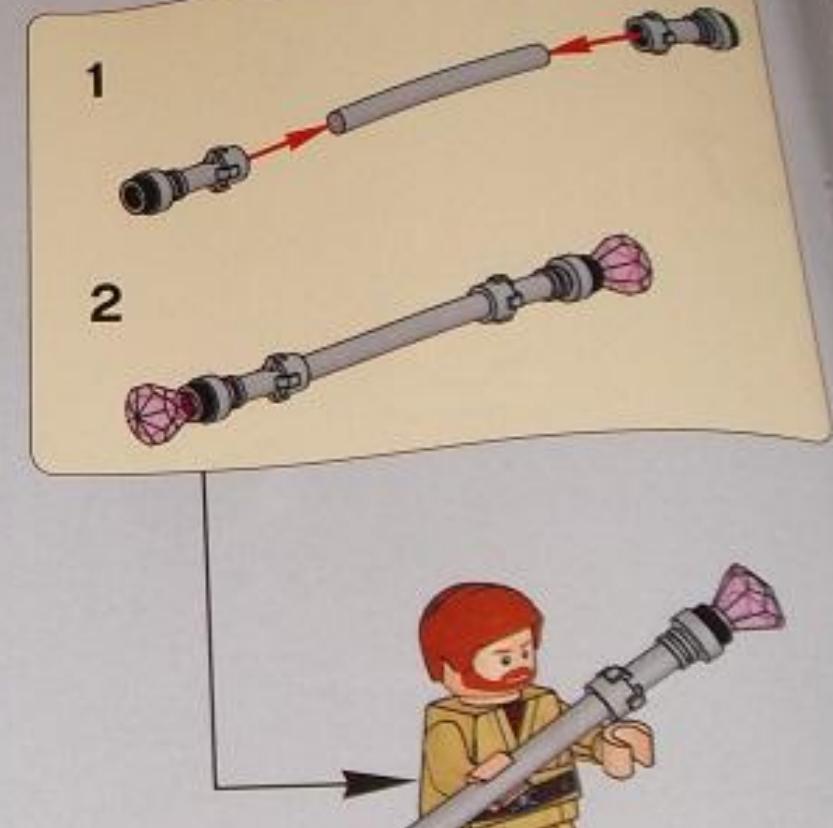
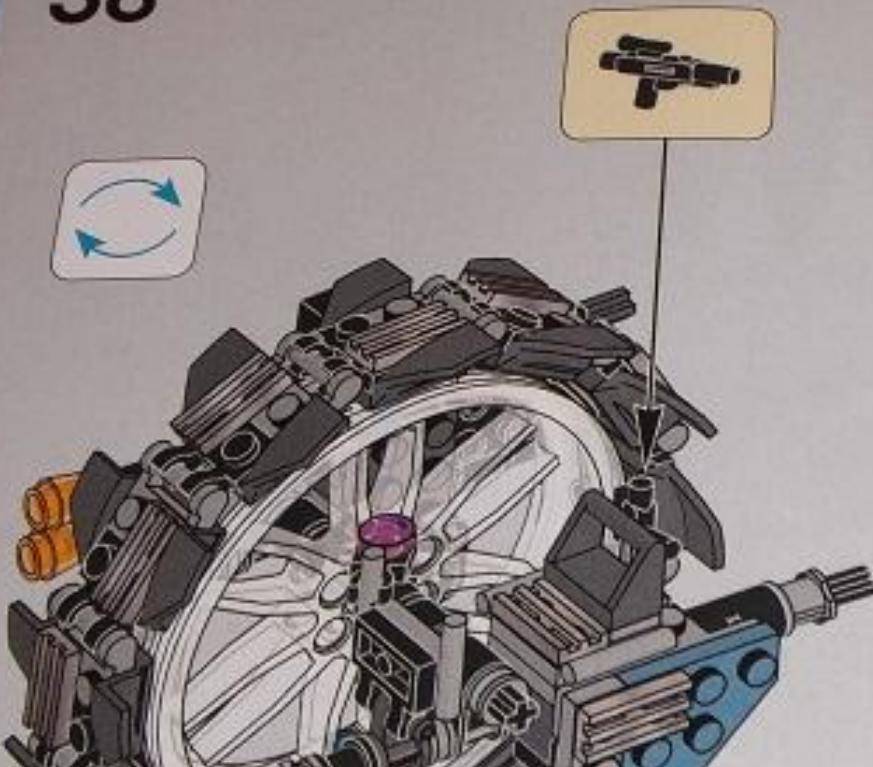


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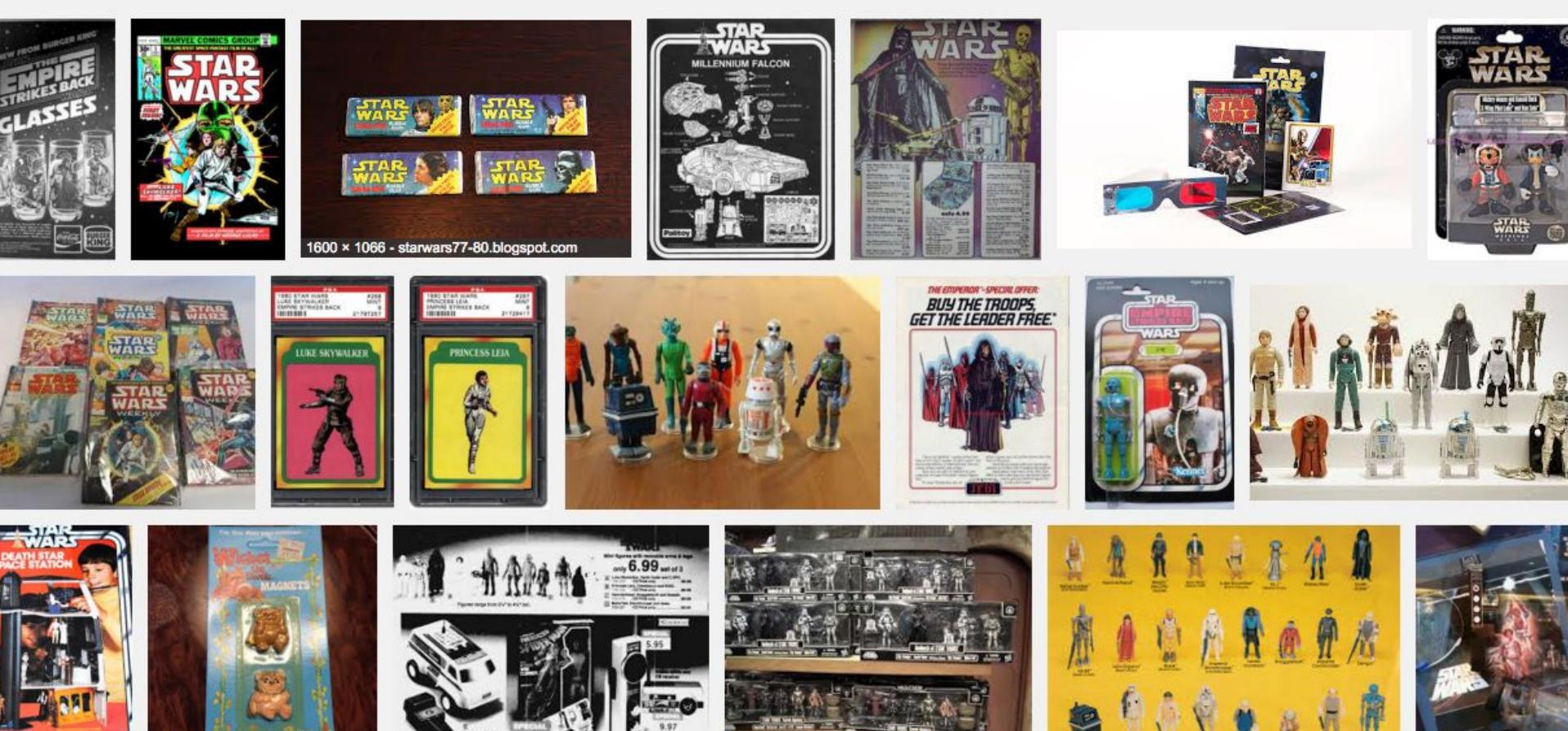


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Documentation is
NOT ONLY end user's one



Many different forms and audiences

HAYNES MANUALS

DEATH STAR

Imperial Department of Military Research

Owners Workshop Manual

Front View

Surface City Blocks

Superlaser Focus Lens

Equatorial Trench

Command Sector (South)



Emperor's Tower
Command Sector (North)
Reactor Core (Internal)
Ion Drives (Uncompleted)
Exposed Superstructure
Every manual based on a complete strip down and rebuild.

Every instructions, comments and information needed to build, maintain and use an API and its subsystems





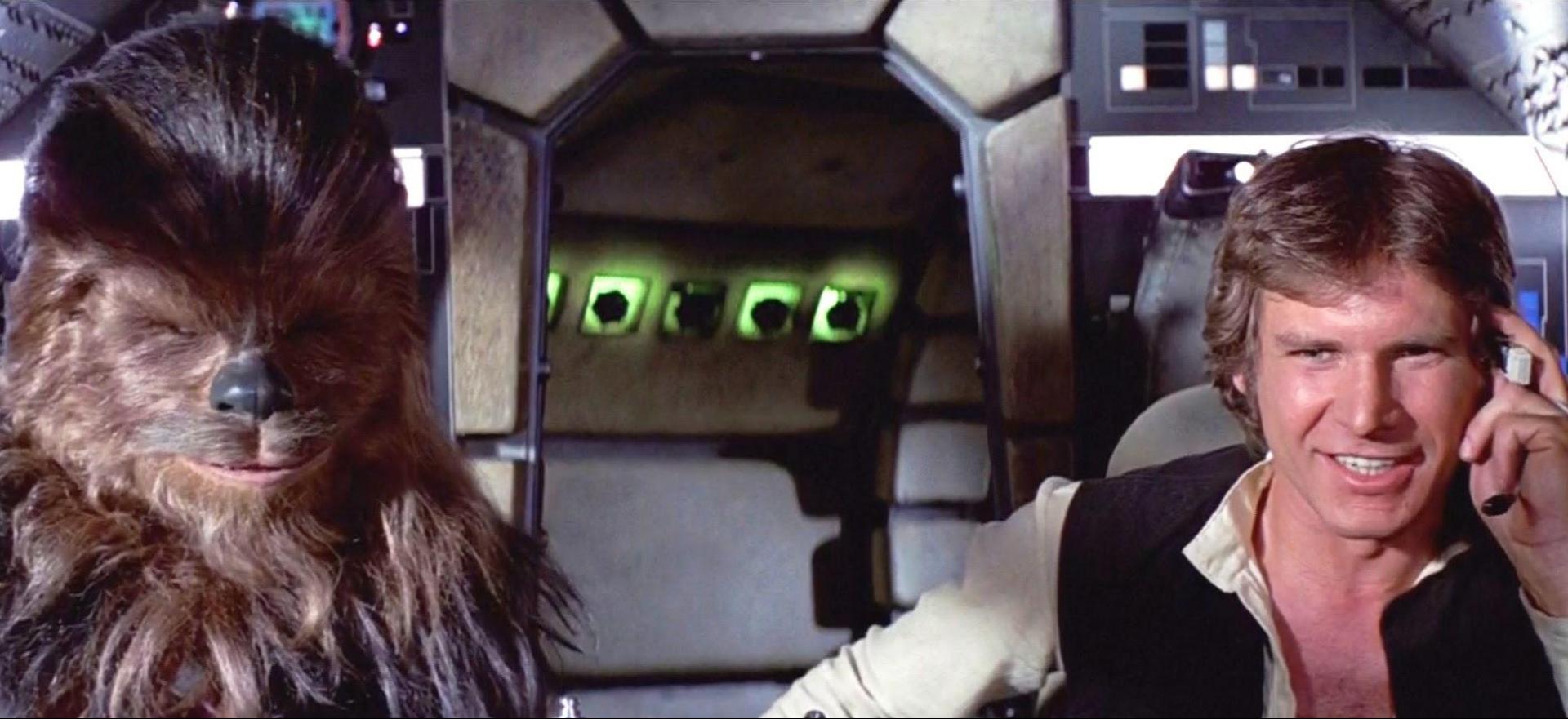
API and documentation
are more than related



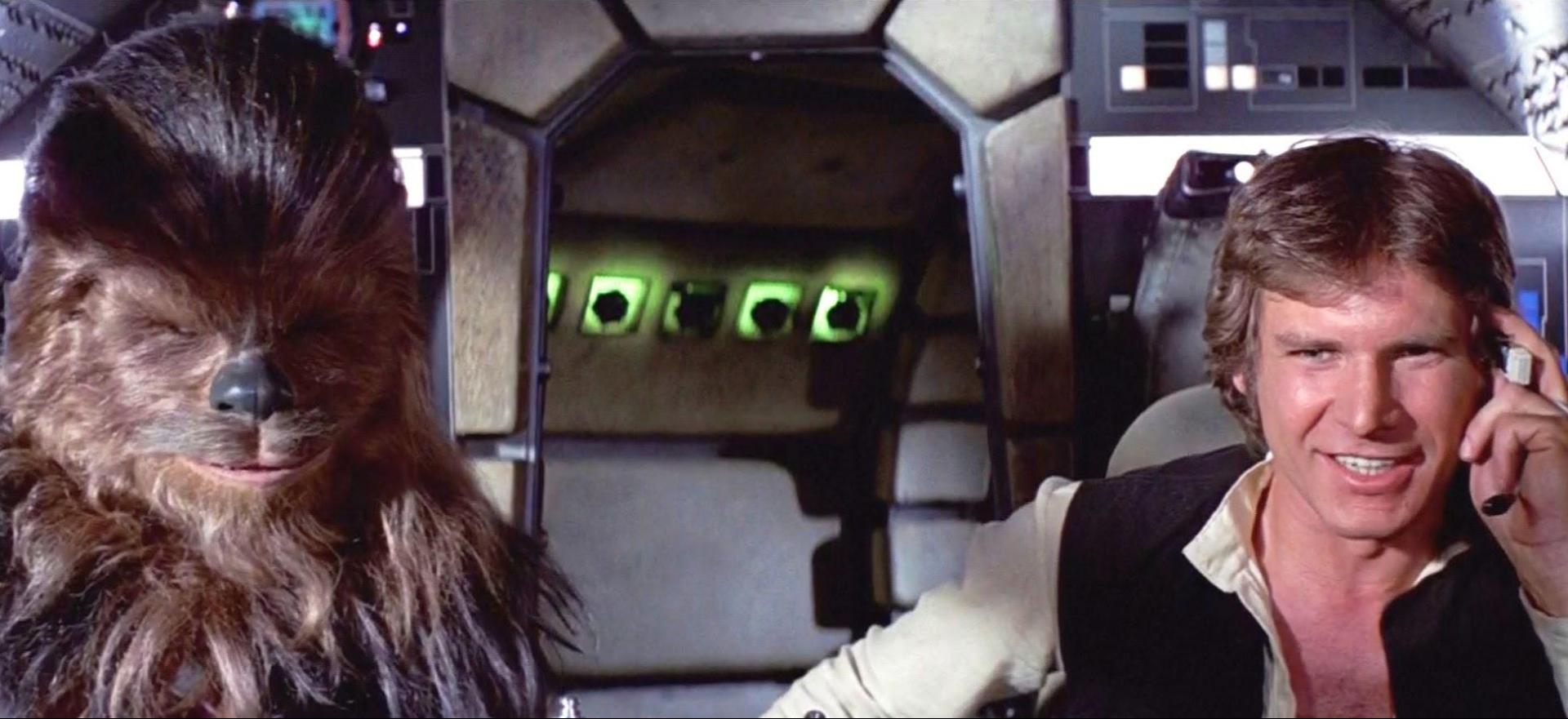
Symbiotic relationship



Close and often long-term interaction
between 2 different species



Mutualism



Both individuals benefit





Parasitism



One benefits, One is harmed



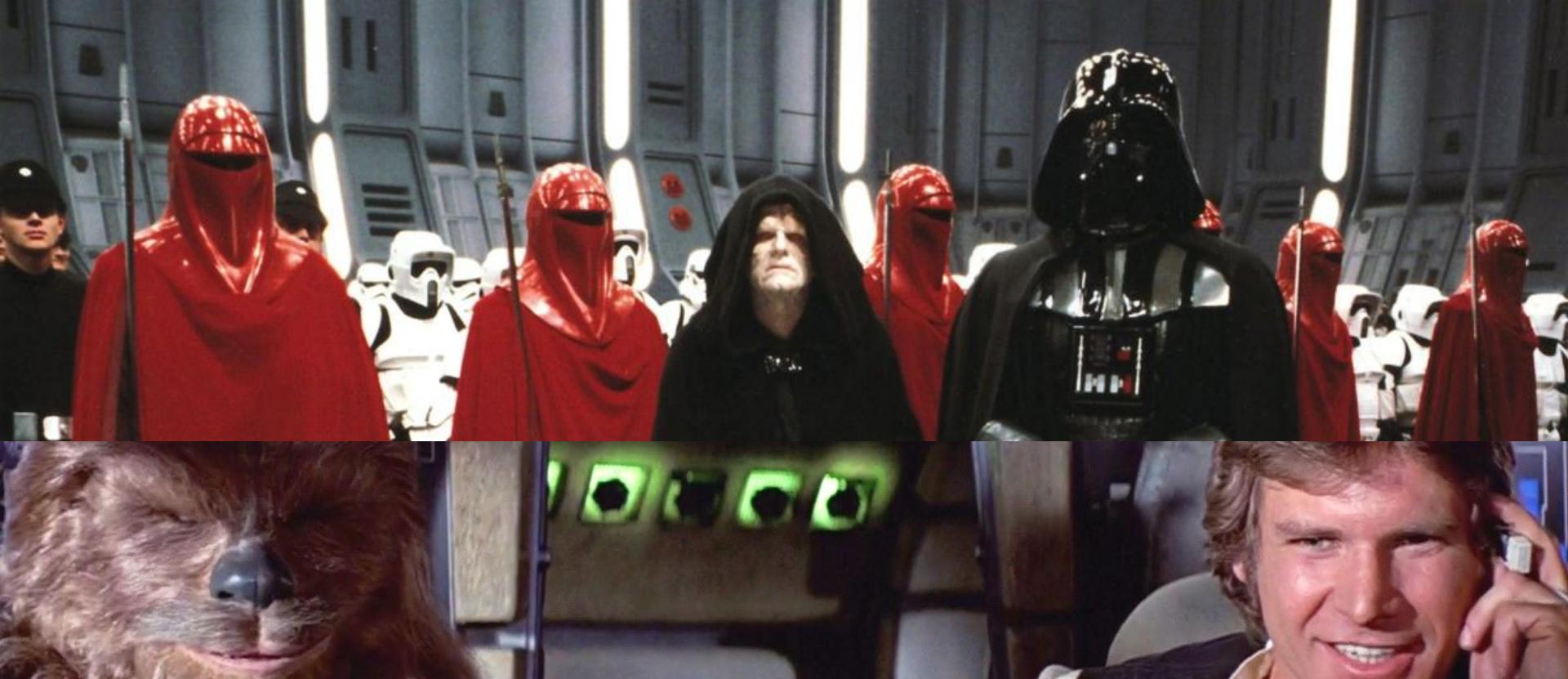


Synnecrosis



Detrimental to both





API & Documentation succeed together
or fall to the dark side

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Episode II

ATTACK OF THE UNREAD

There is unrest in the API Senate. Thousands of documentations have been written but never read or used.

Jen Riggo must quickly find out why, to prevent APIverse's collapse...



Unread documentation



Right people write the right documentation
for the right audience and right context.



Creating documentation is a real job



Document only when needed



Adapted to the subject



Adapted to the audience



Adapted to the context





Standardized



Standardized API and subsystems



Standardized documentation





Micronized

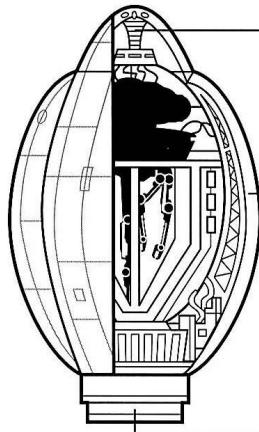


Microservices



Microdocumentations

Side View Cutaway
(probot in space pod)



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High-Intensity Floodlight
Broadcast Antennae
Sensor Array

Visual Sensor (3)
Hyperdrive Pod
Infrared Sensor

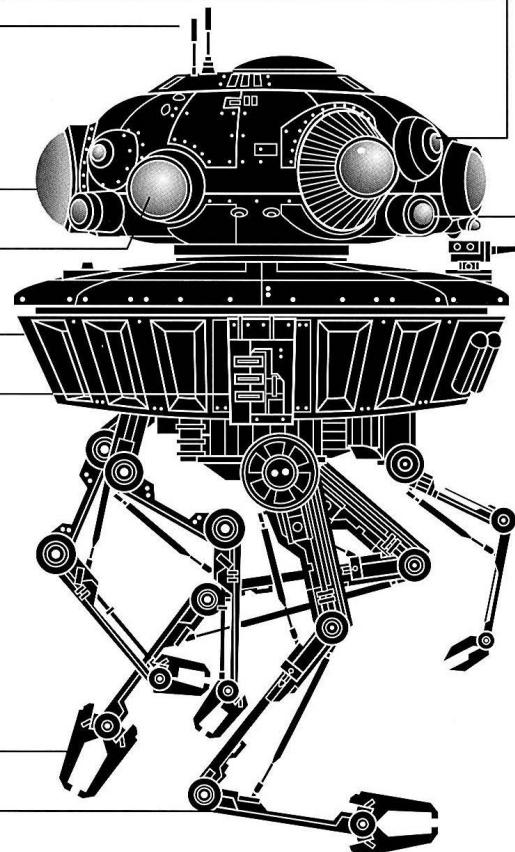
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Repulsorlift
Drive Unit

Sublight/Hyperdrive
Engines

Manipulator Arm

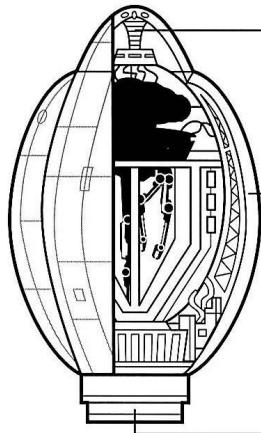
High-Torque Arm

Laser Cannon



Side View

Side View Cutaway
(probot in space pod)



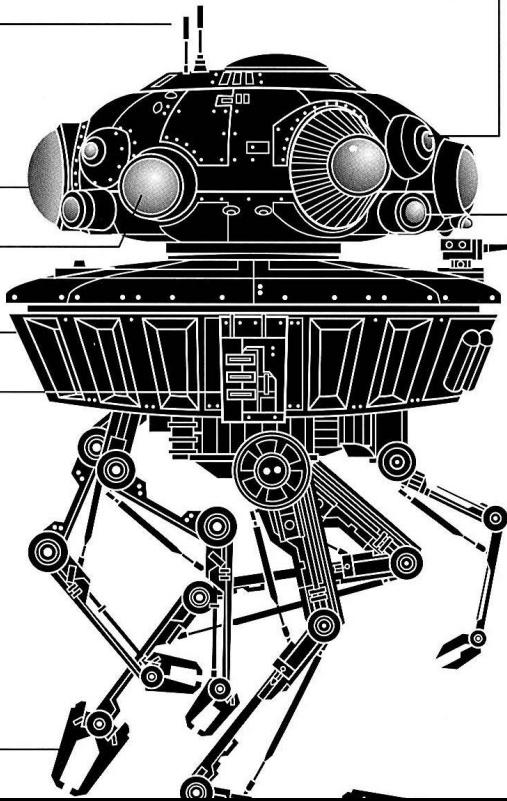
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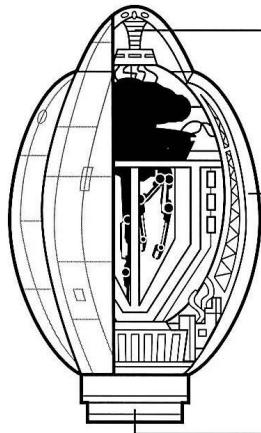
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Analyzed and Tracked

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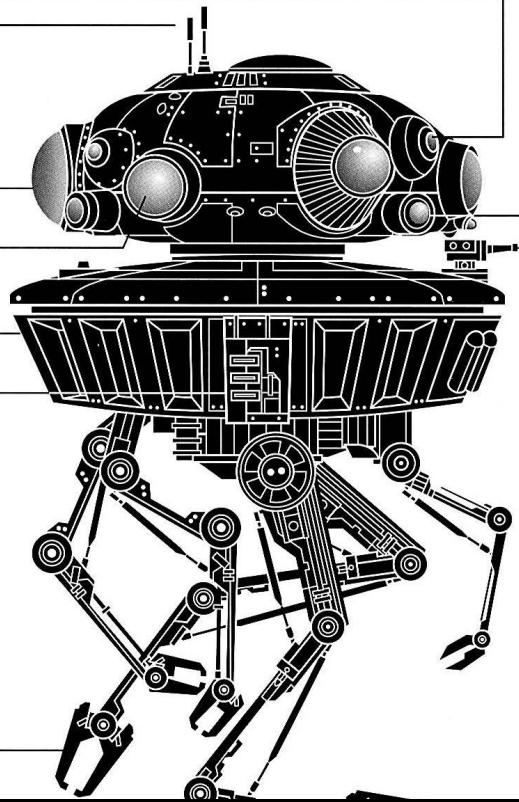
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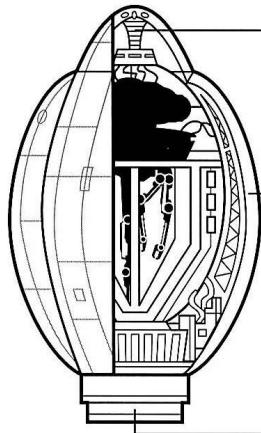
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Consistent with dependancies

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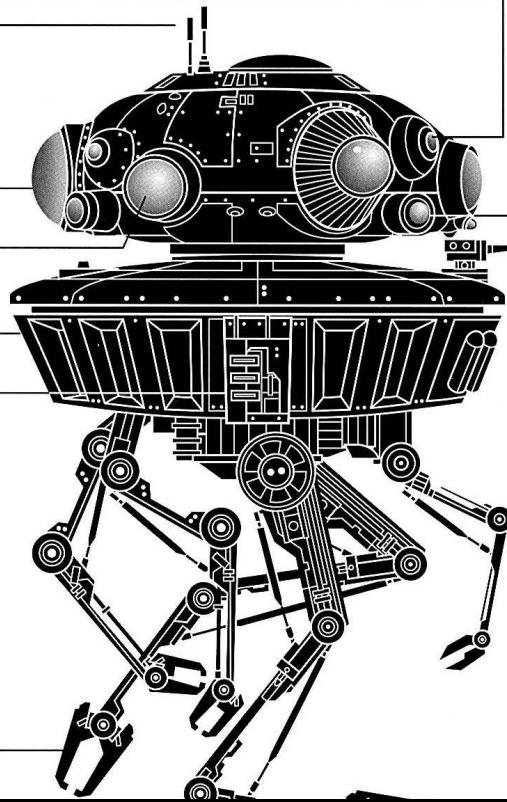
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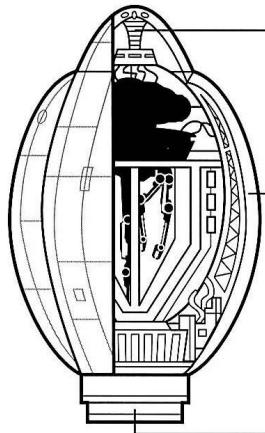
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Consistent with subject

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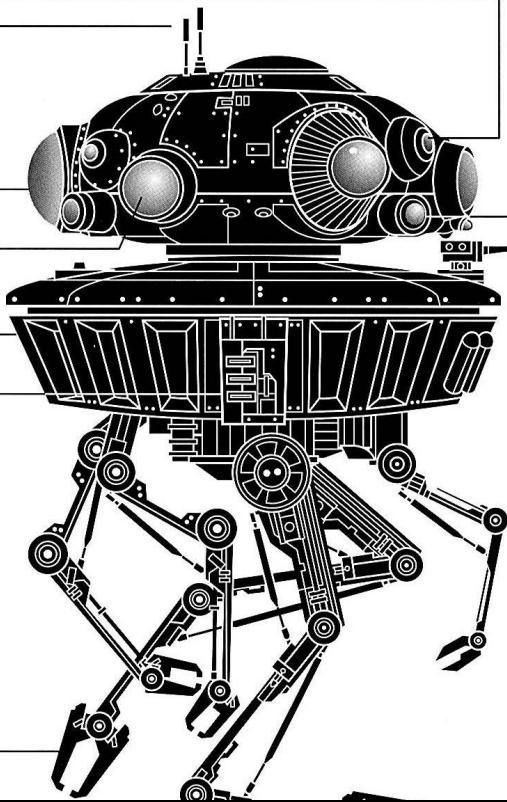


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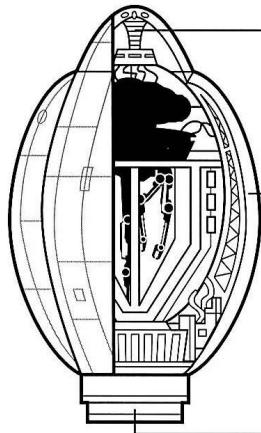
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Usage

Side View Cutaway
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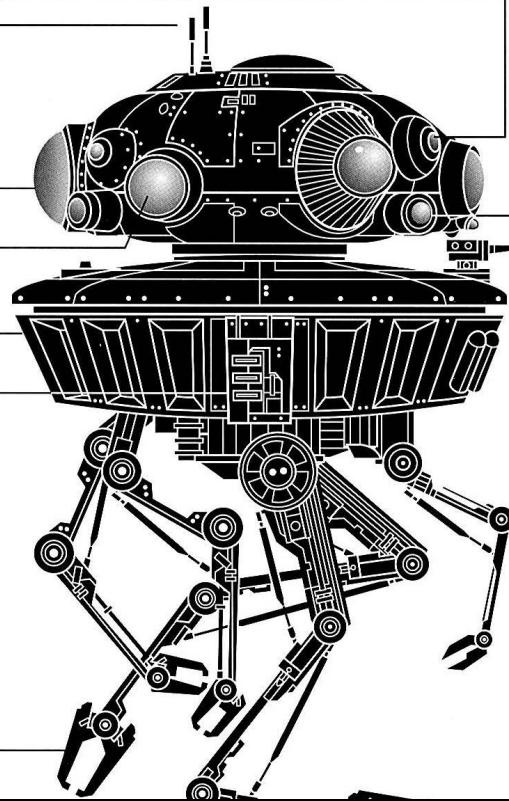
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TAKEAWAYS

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Episode III

REVENGE OF THE CODE

War! The Documentation Republic is crumbling under attacks by the ruthless binary document format, Count Word.

In a stunning move, a cunning document format, General Braul Puce, has swept into the

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Documentation as code

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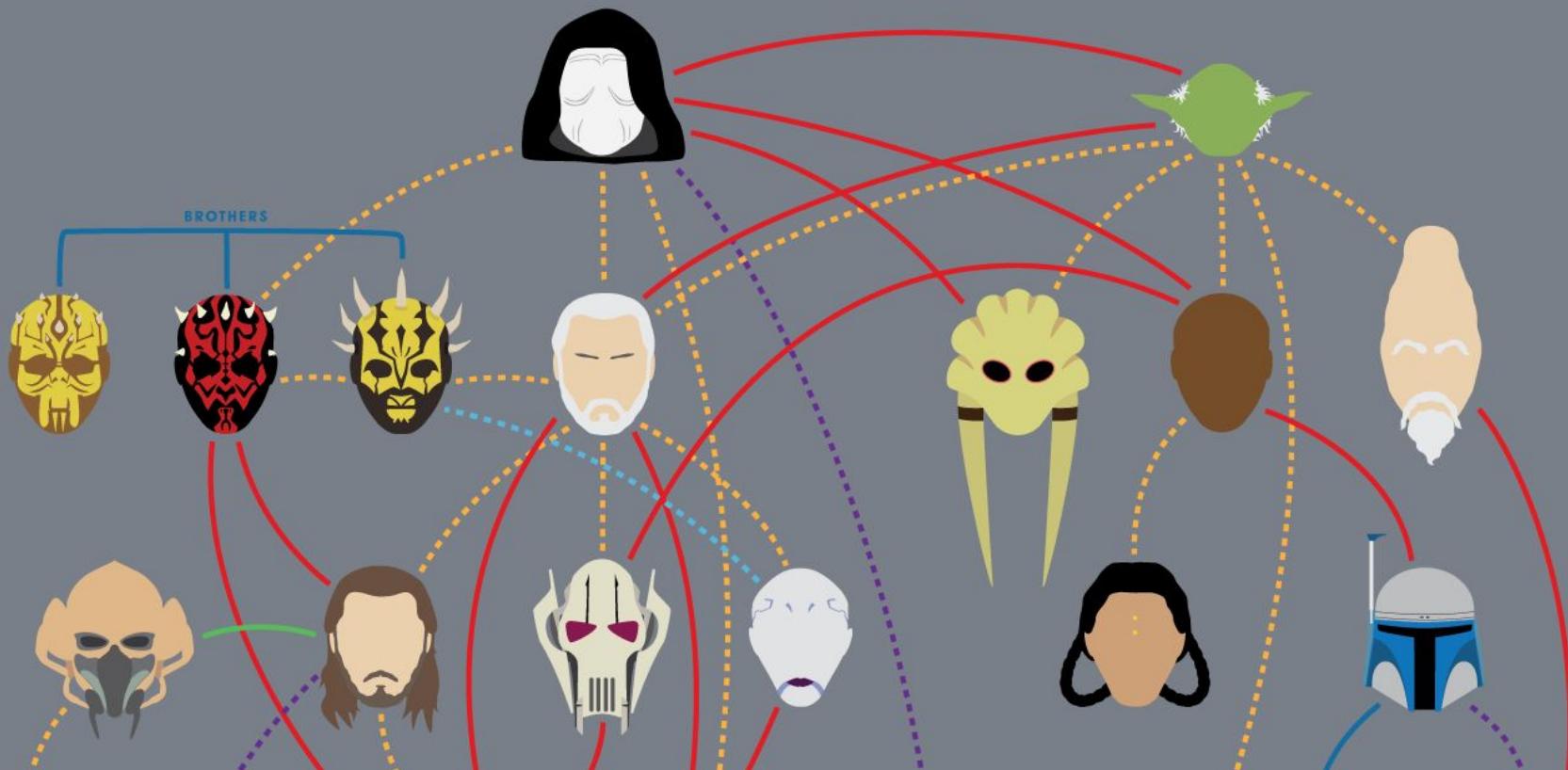
Human and machine readable



Documentation Version Control System

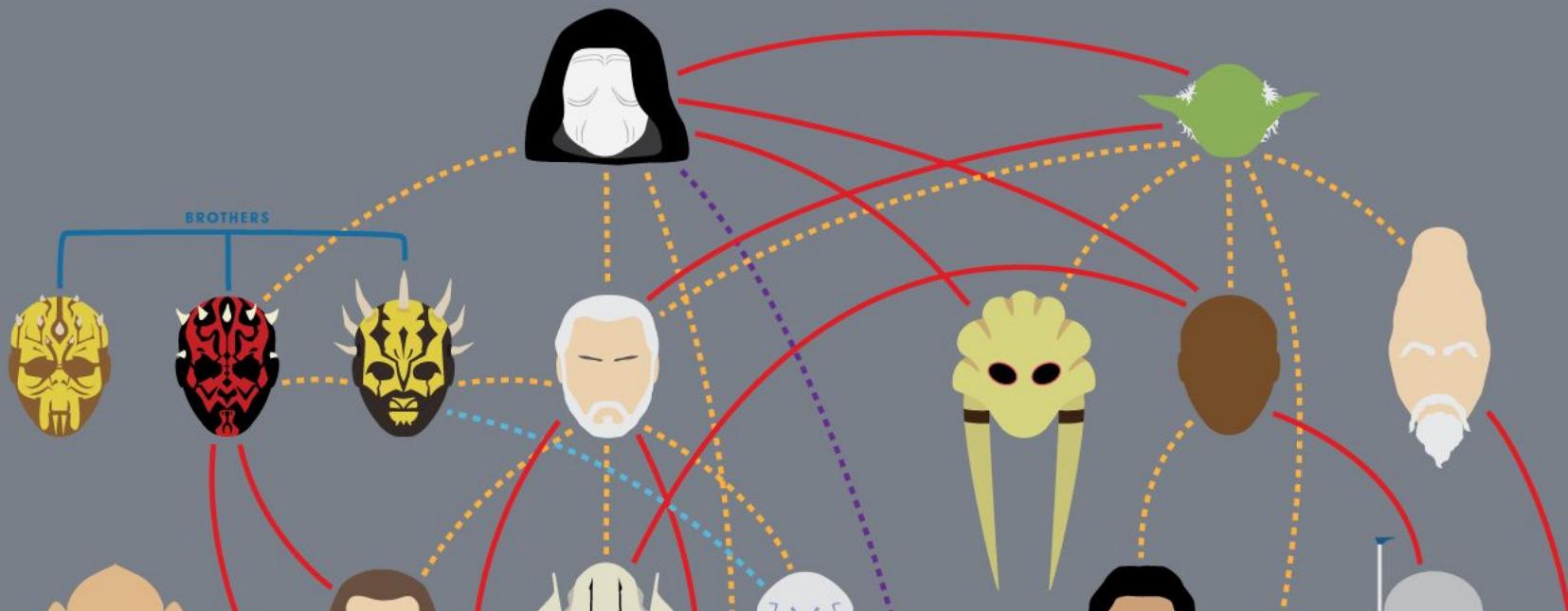
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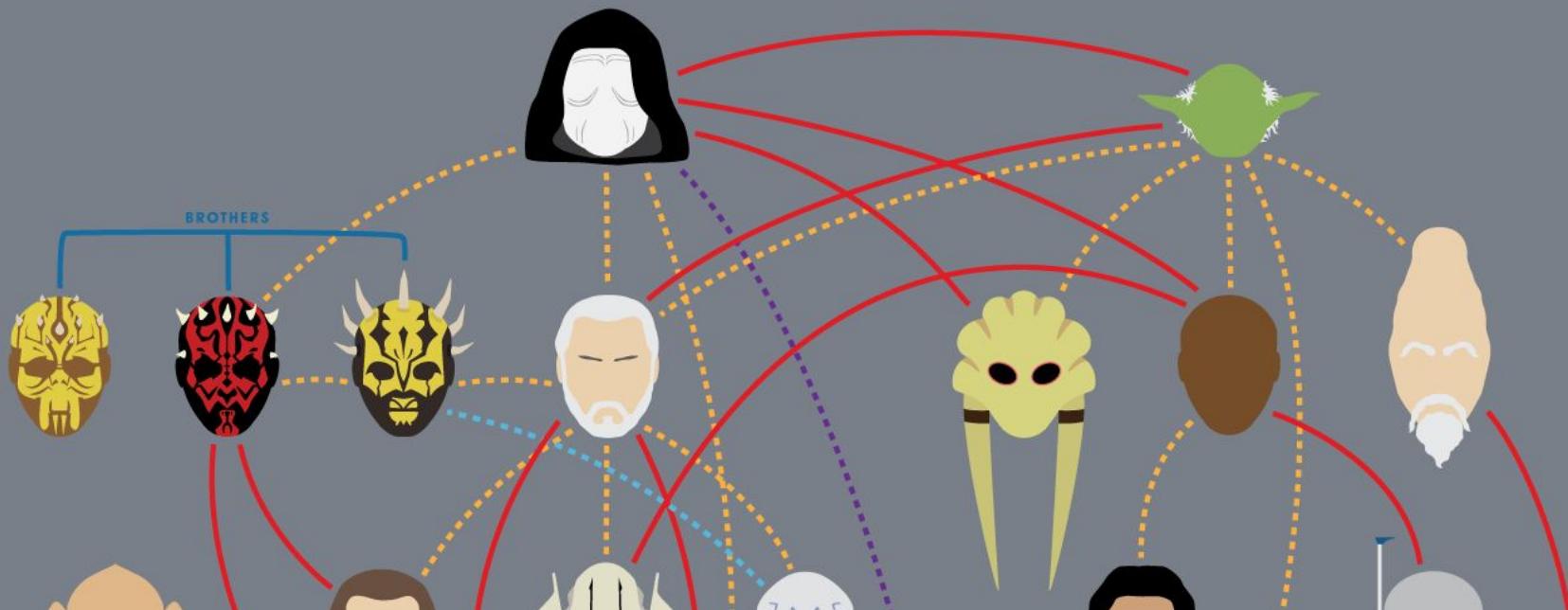
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Documentation Package Manager

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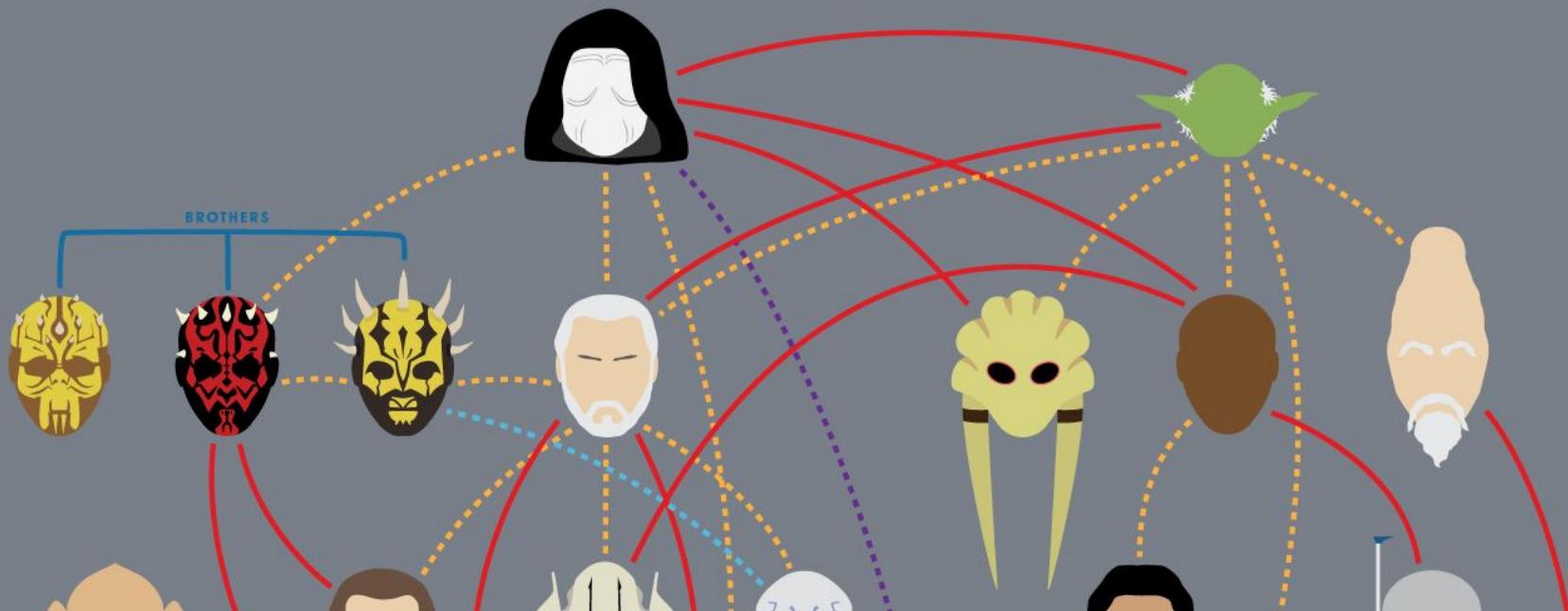
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DPM search

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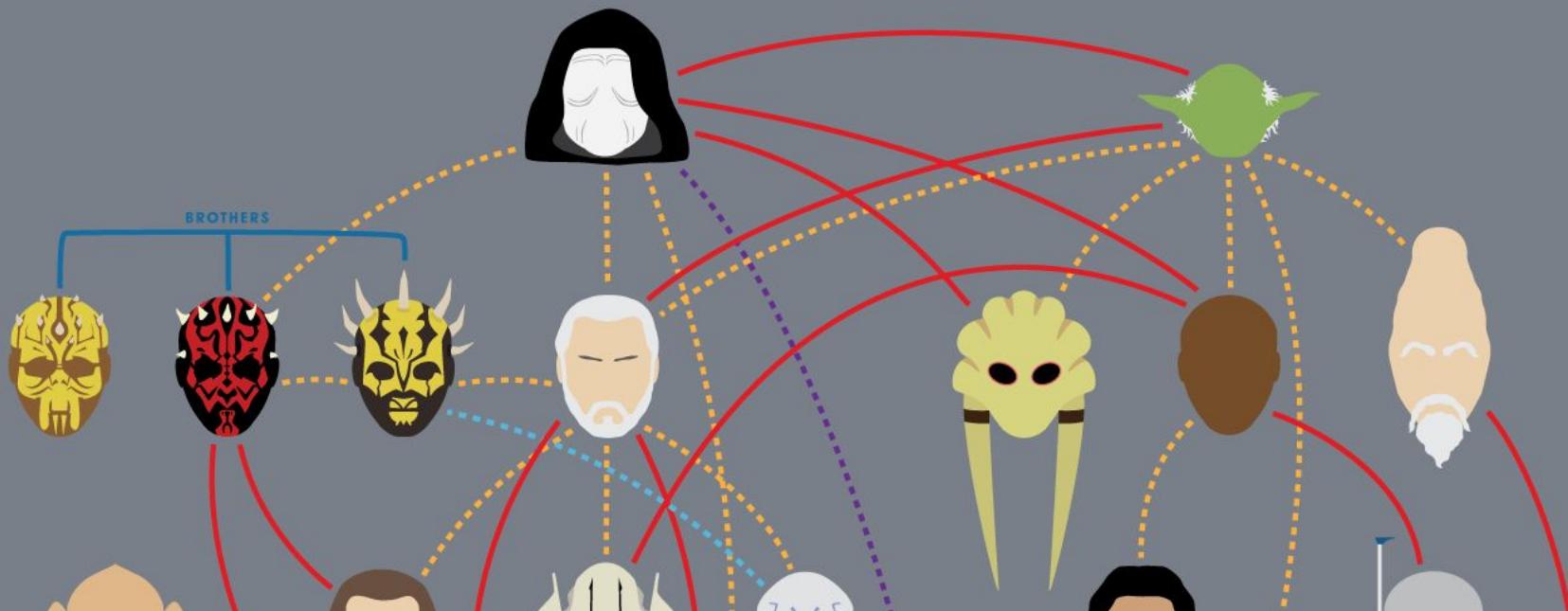
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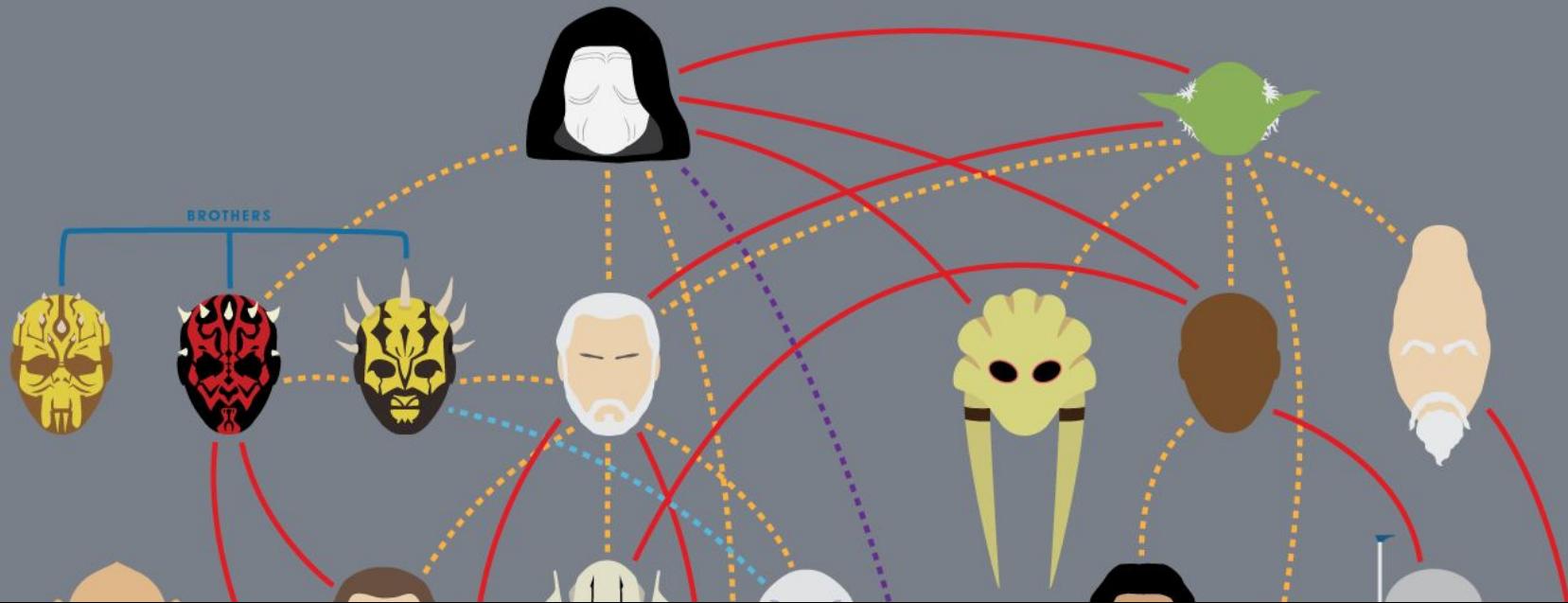
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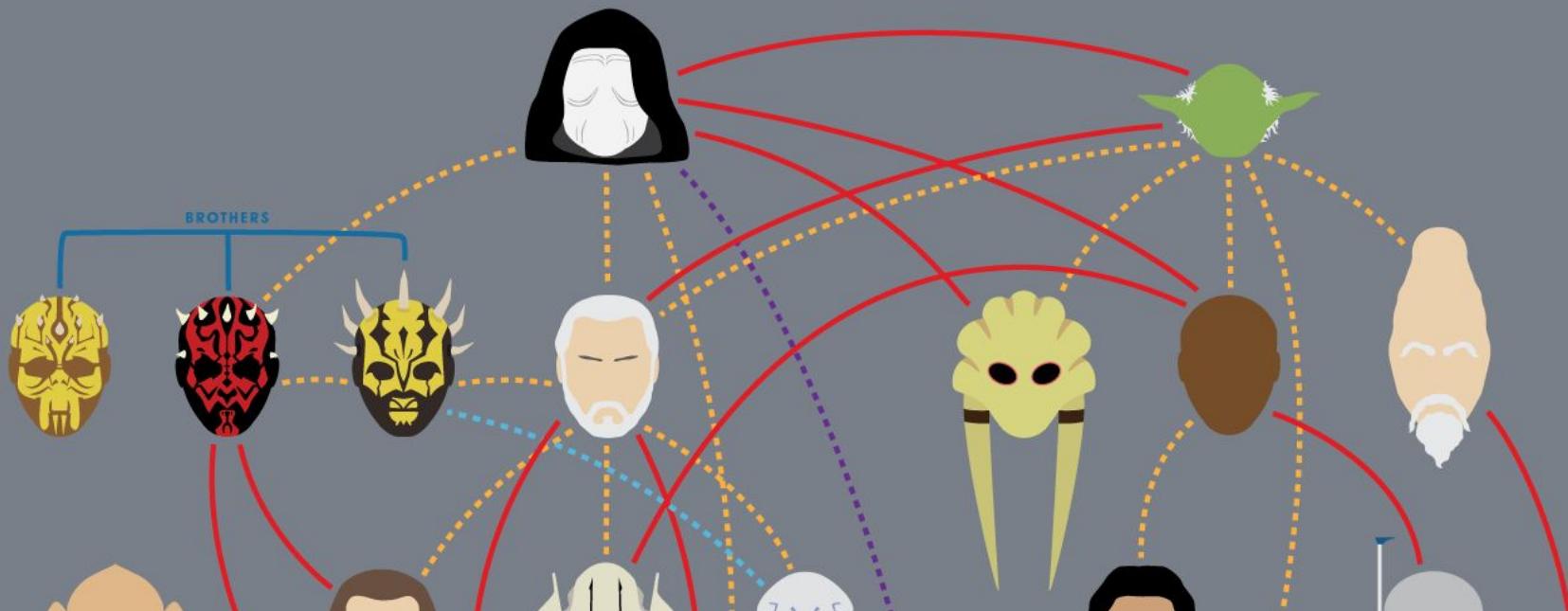
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Consistency checked using DPM descriptor

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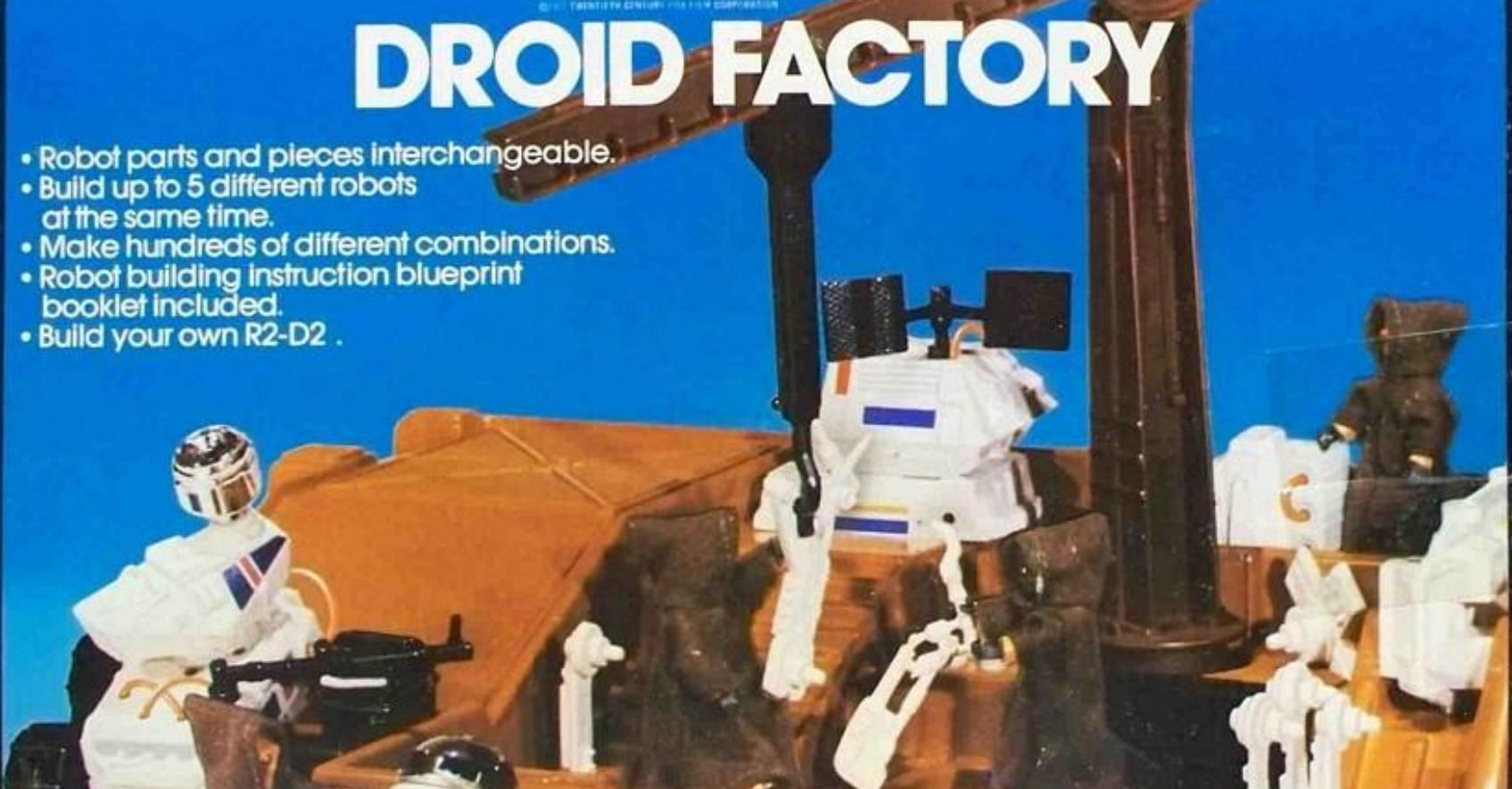
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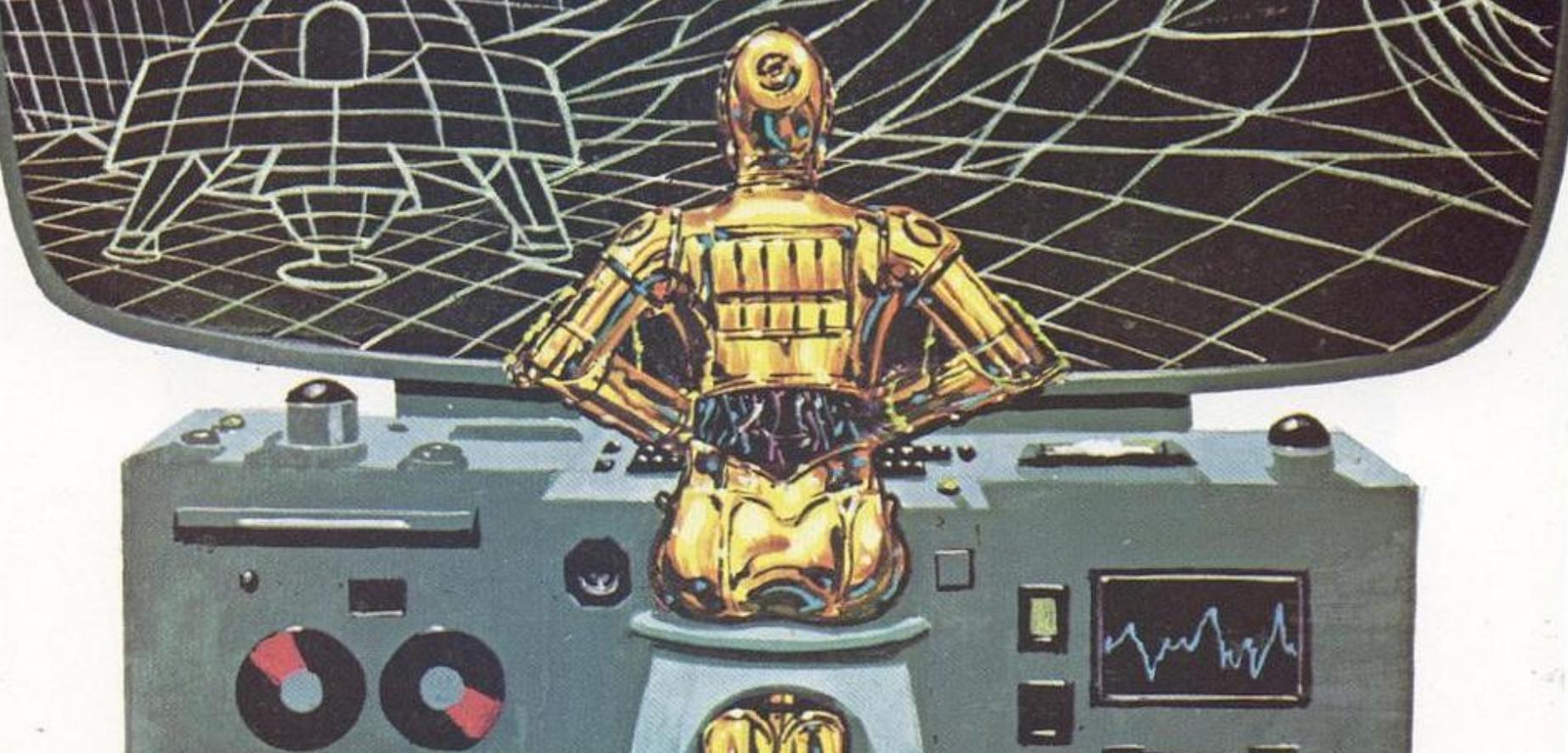
Automatically updated

DROID FACTORY

- Robot parts and pieces interchangeable.
- Build up to 5 different robots at the same time.
- Make hundreds of different combinations.
- Robot building instruction blueprint booklet included.
- Build your own R2-D2 .



Documentation Factory



Integrated Documentation Environment



Documentation Continuous Delivery

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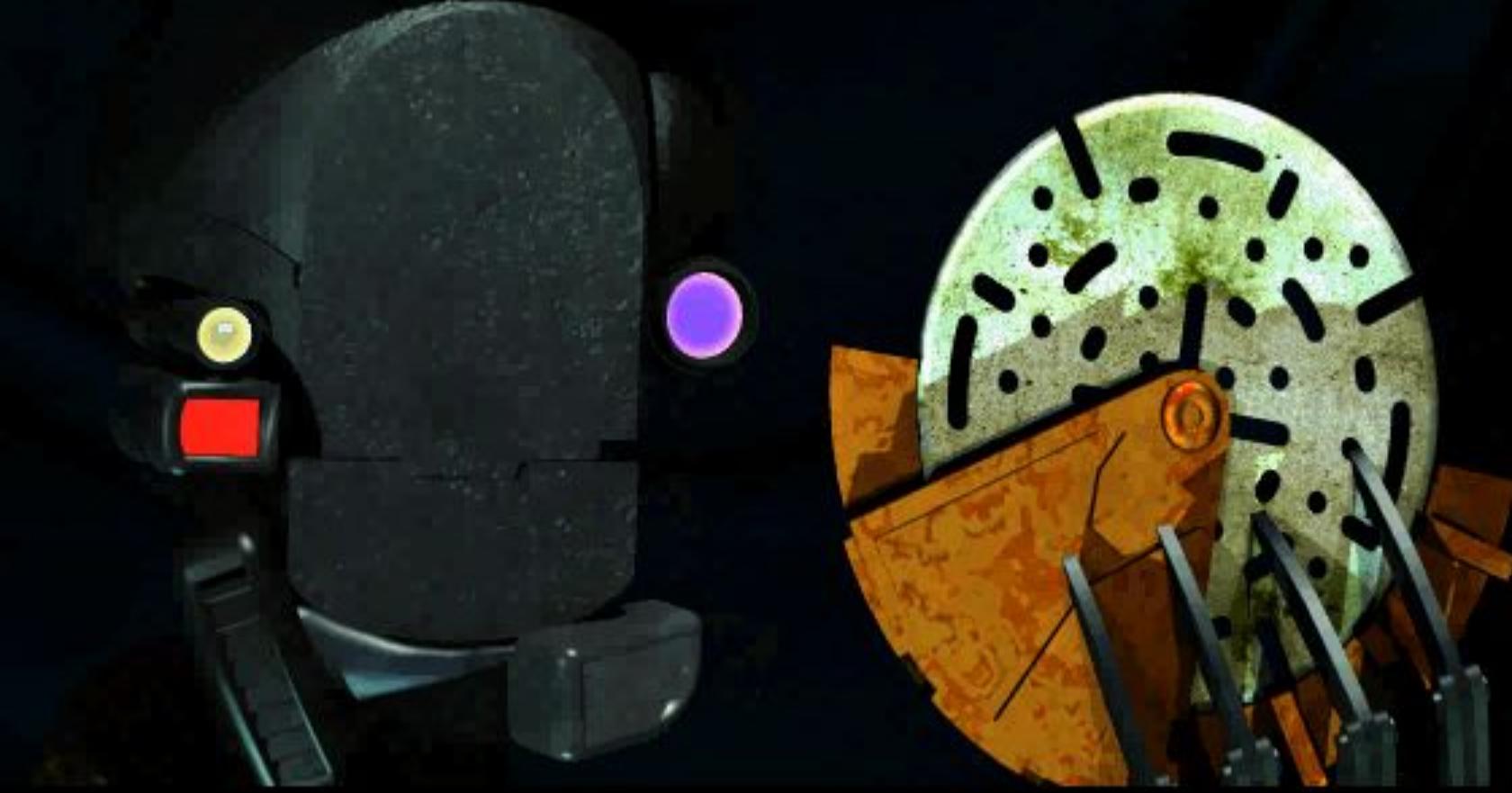
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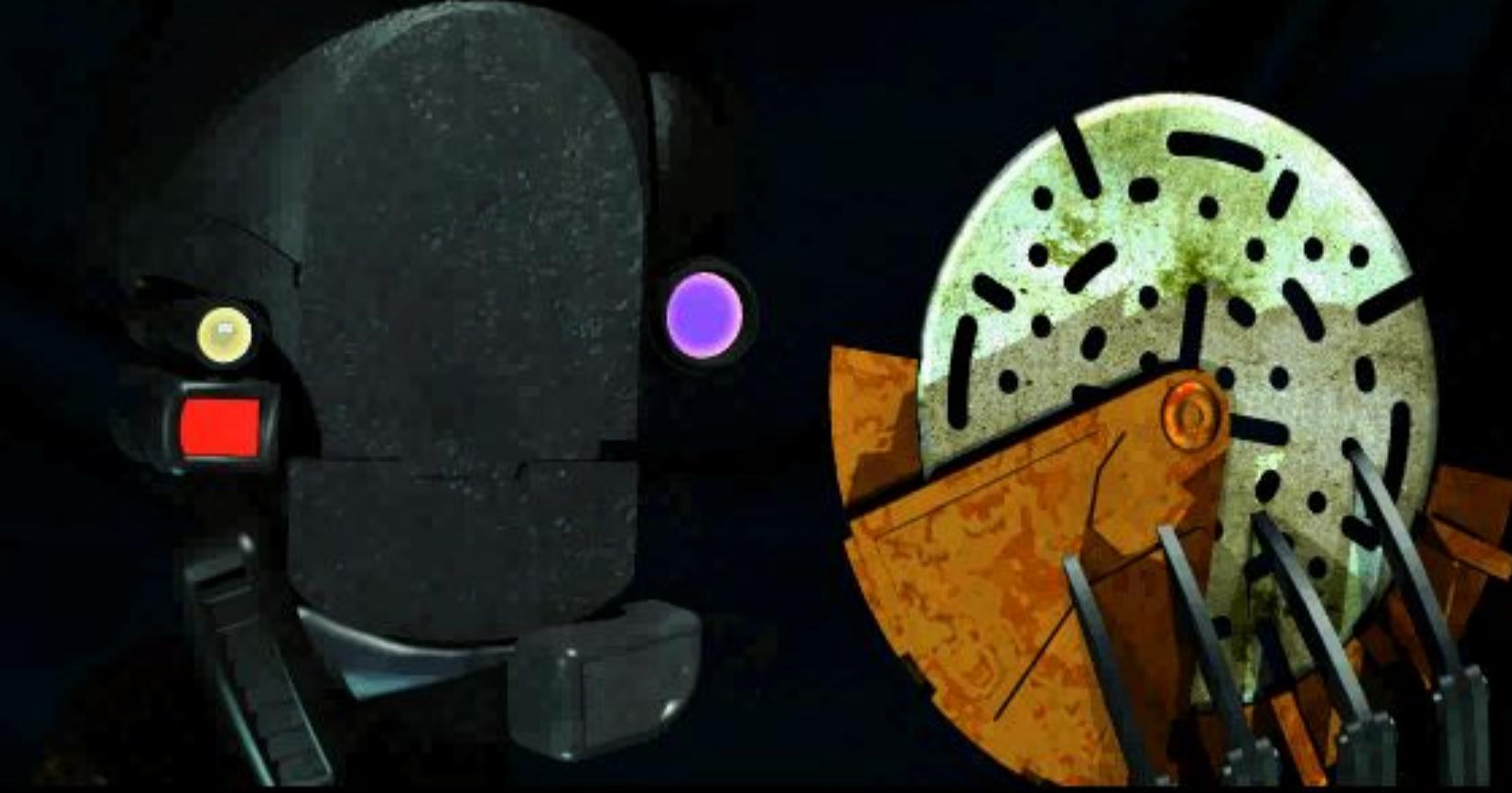
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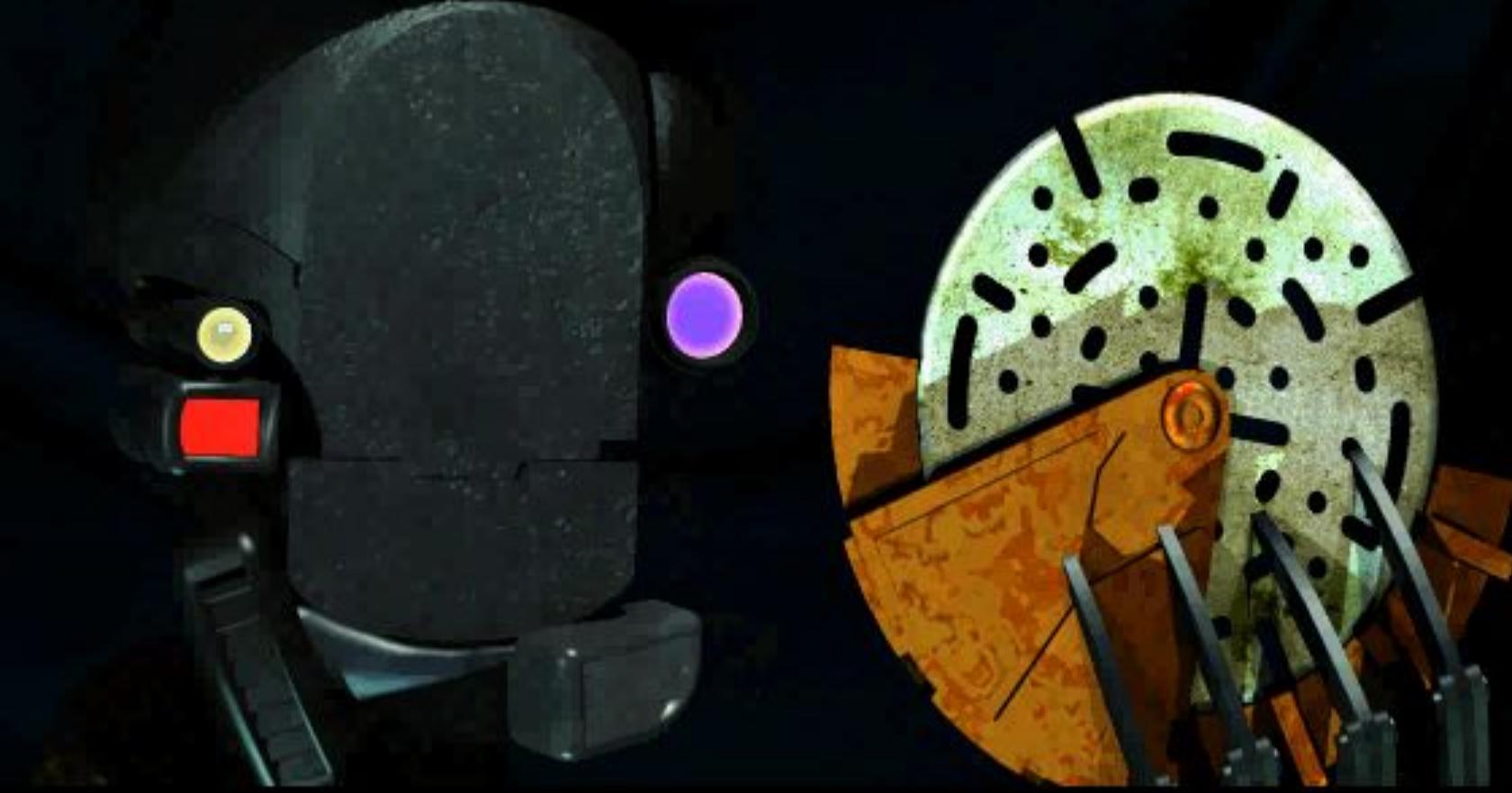
A NEW DATA

*It is a period of civil war. Thanks
to 3DJS, rebel visualizations
have won their first victory
against the evil Prose
documentation Empire.*

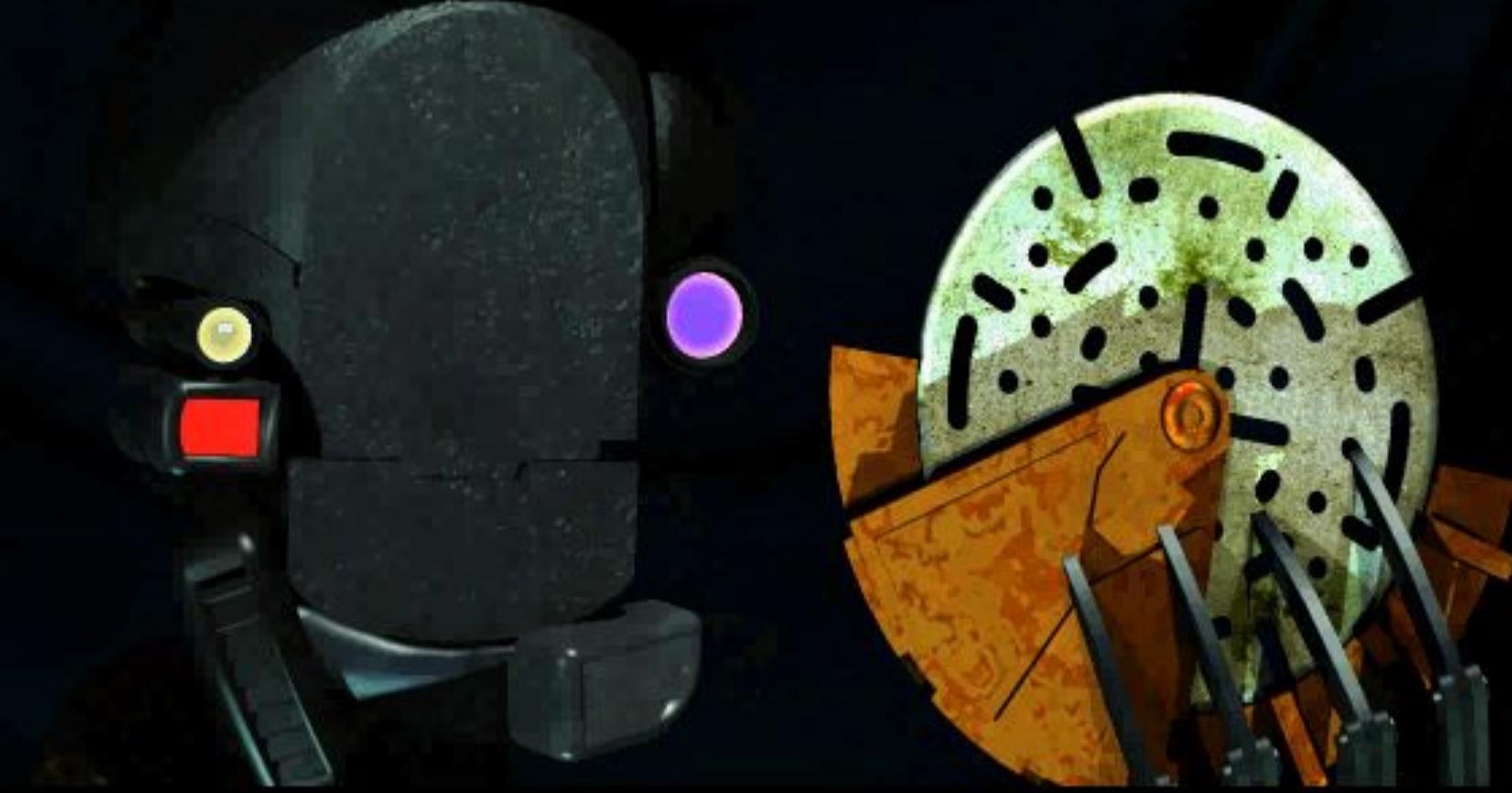




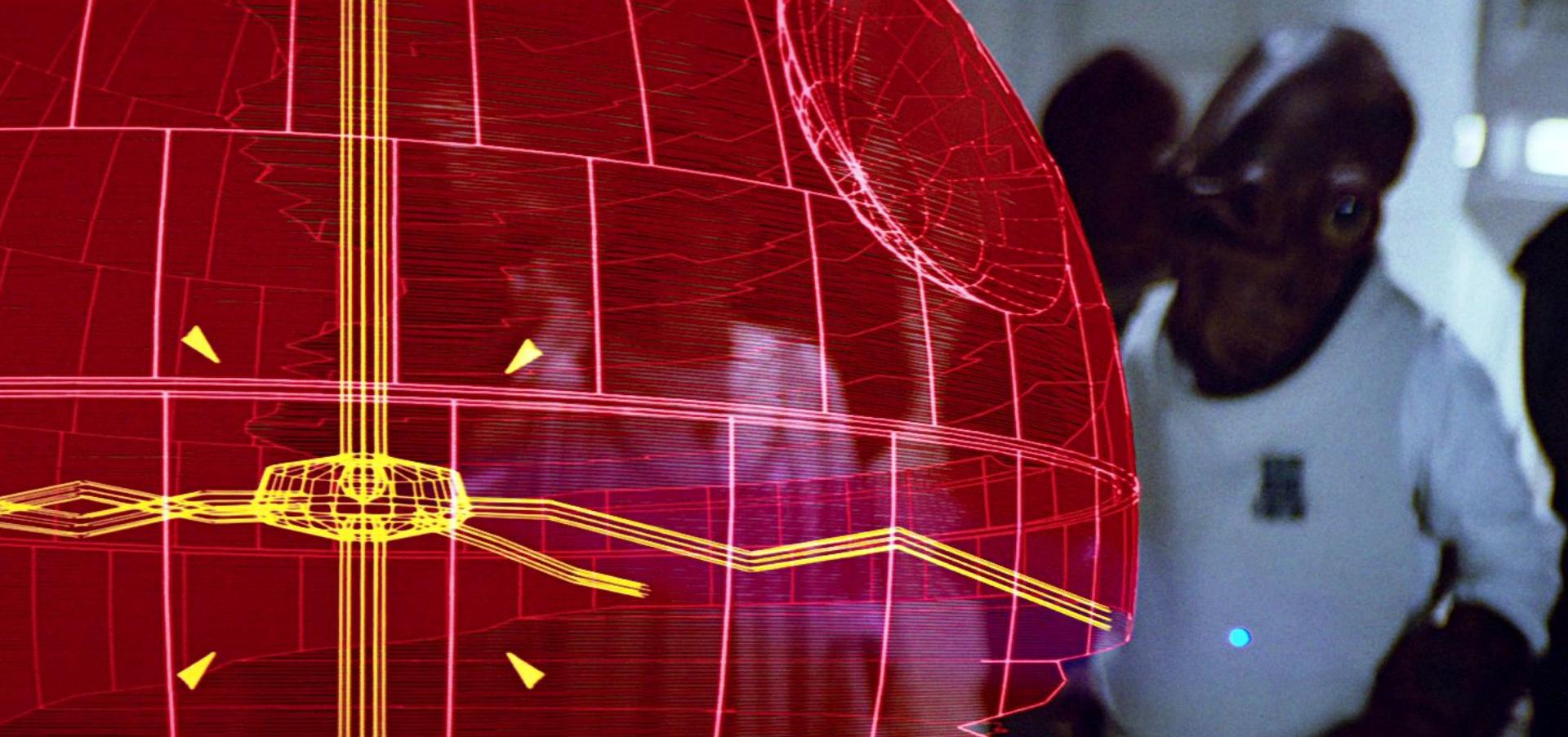
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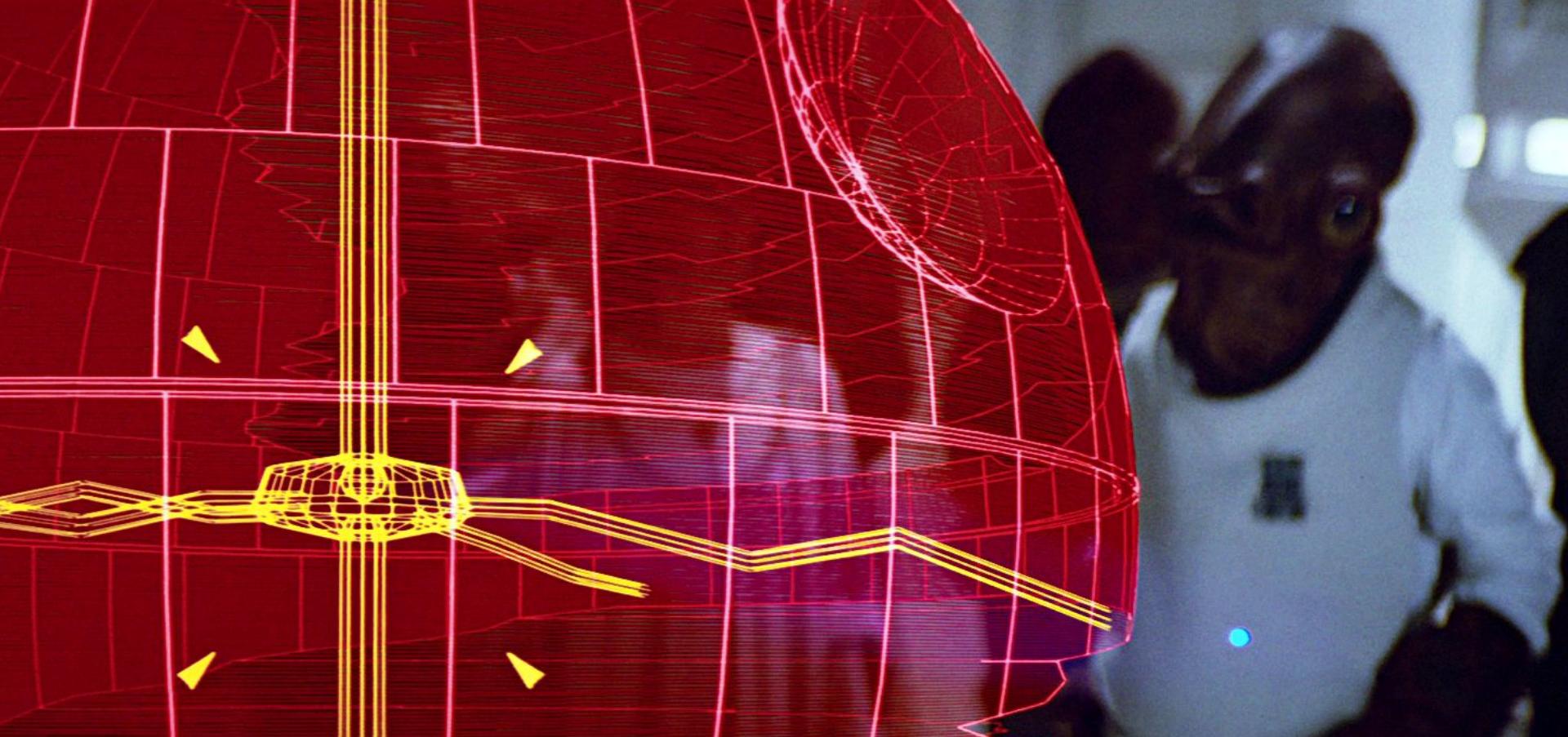
Documentation as Data



Documentation as API



Documentation visualization



Interactive Documentation Visualization

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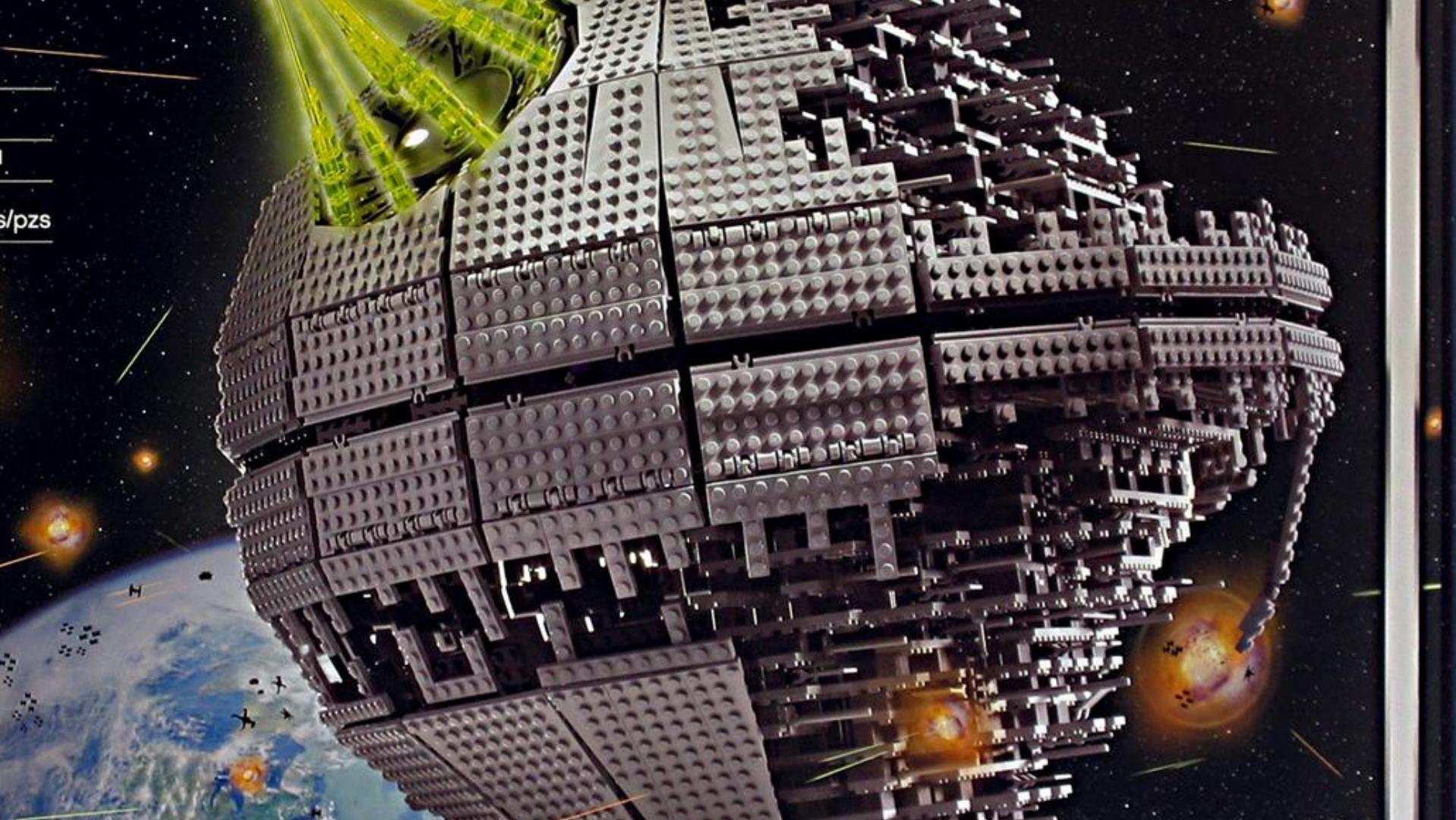
HUMAN STRIKES BACK

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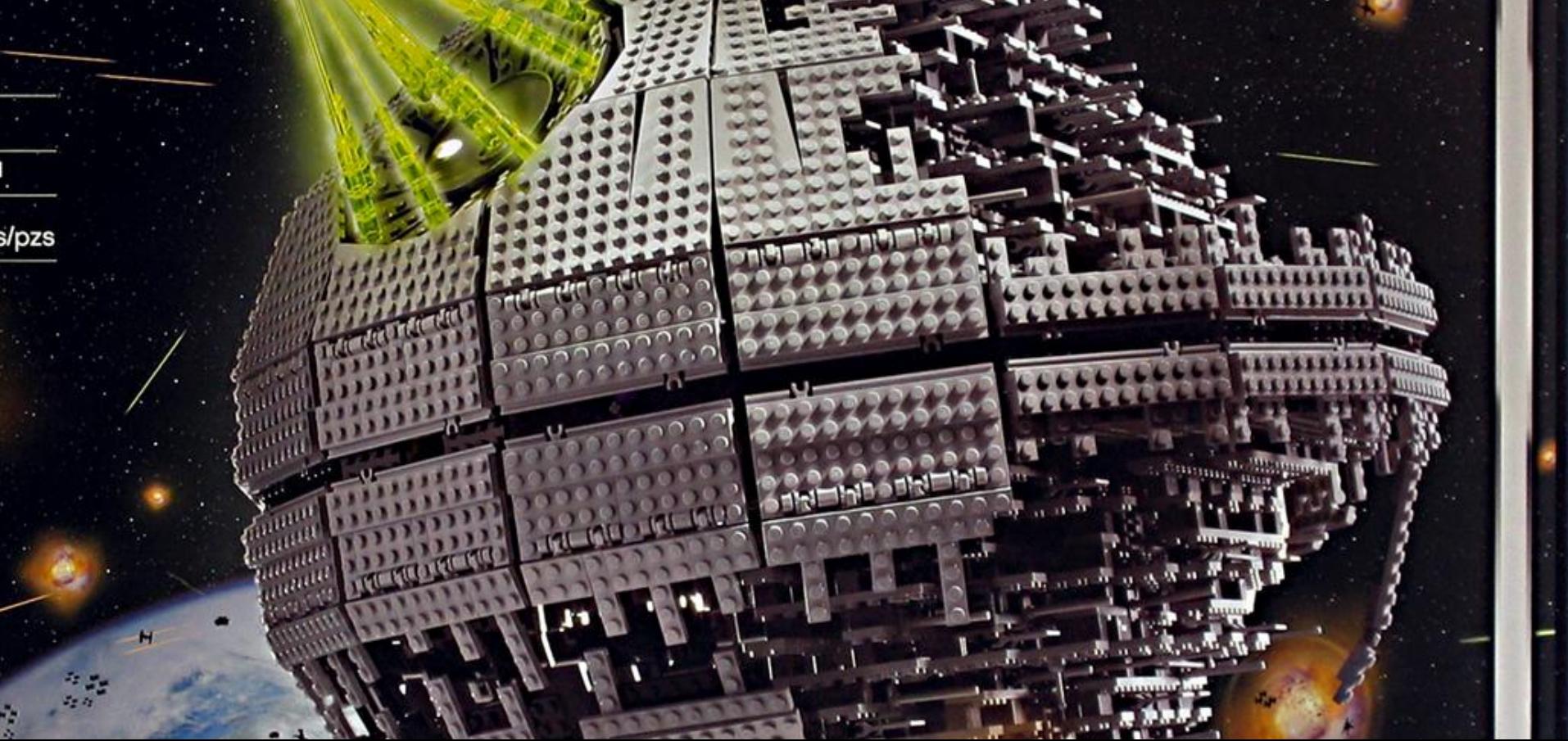


Documentation is for people

s/pzs

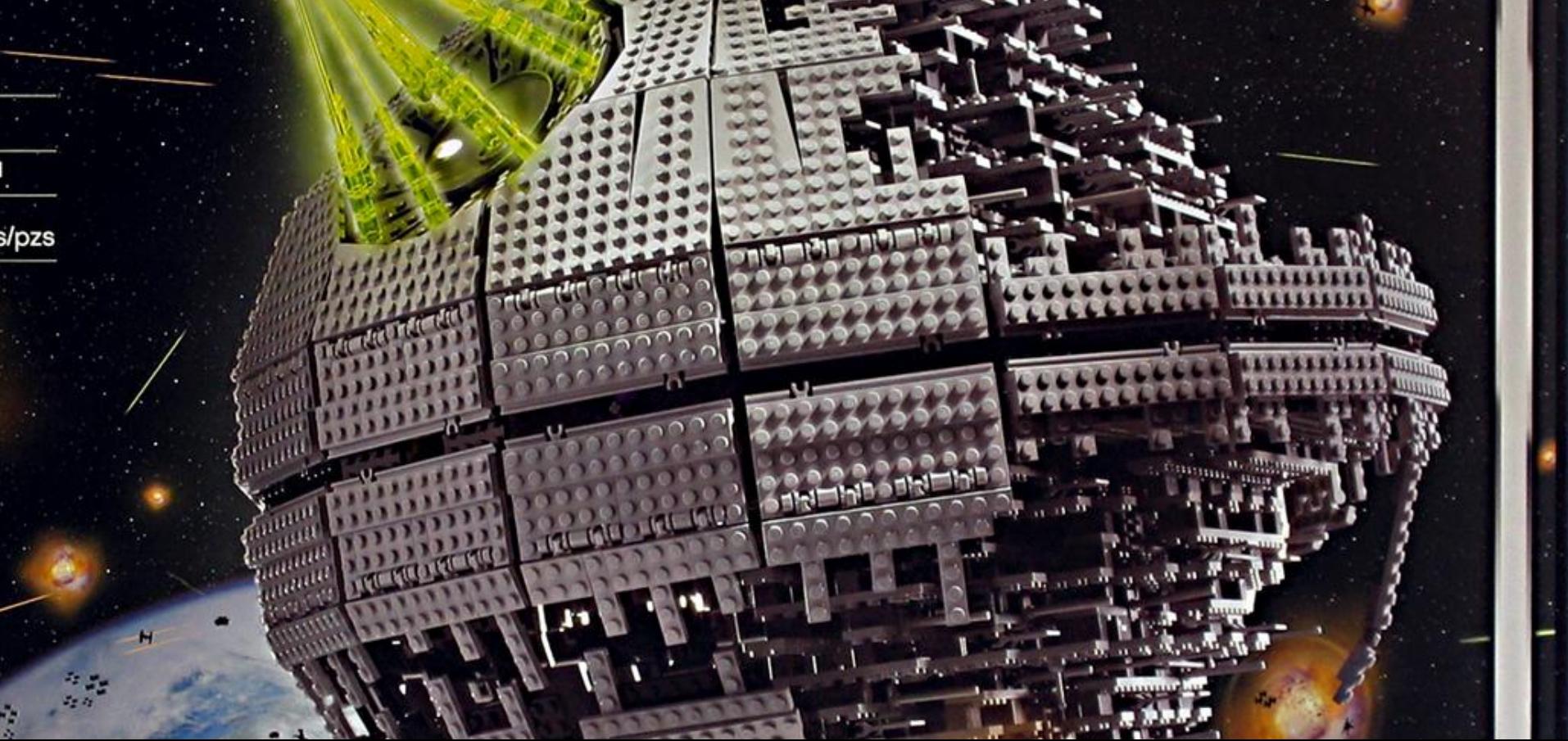


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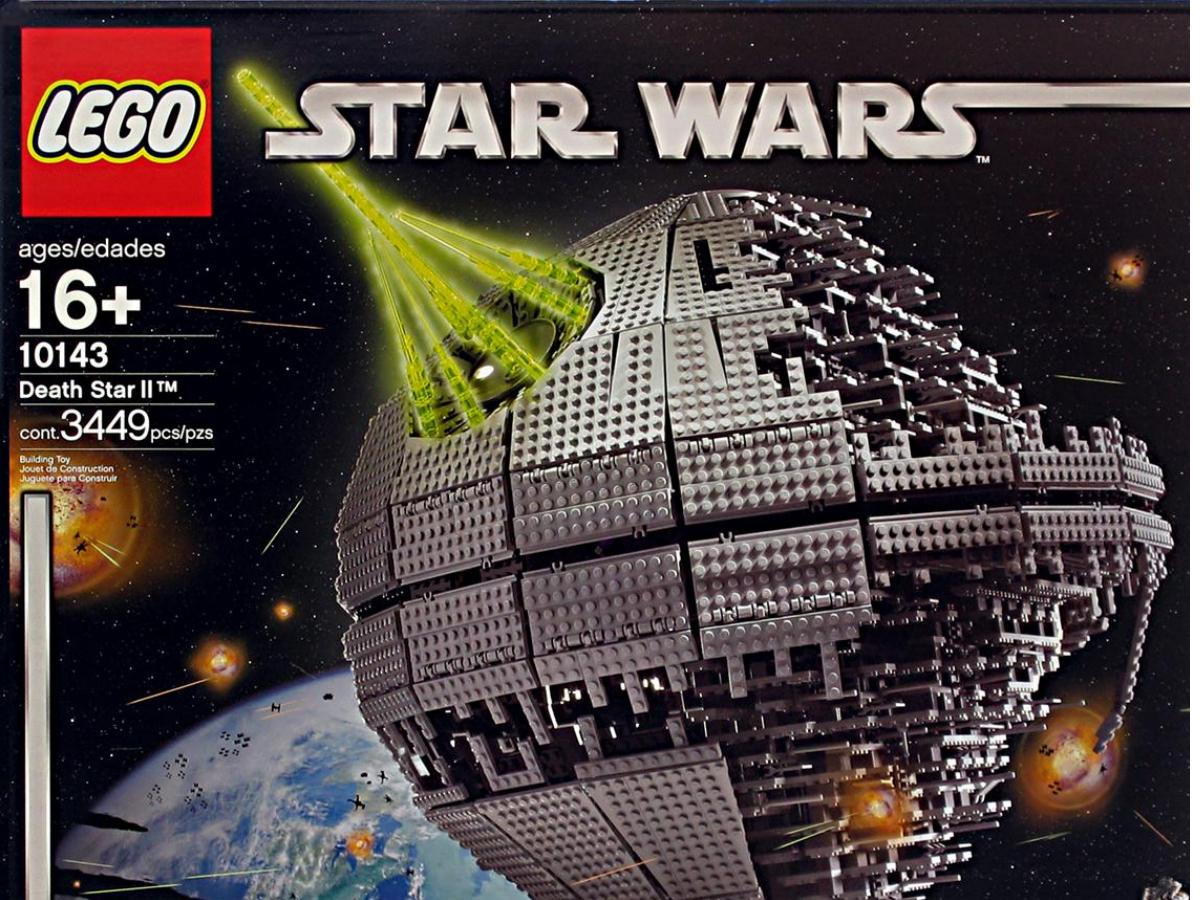


less than 2000 pieces?

s/pzs



more then 2000 thousand?

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3349 pieces

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Yes	4	3008	Black Brick 1 x 8
Yes	6	6112	Black Brick 1 x 12
Yes	2	3001	Black Brick 2 x 4
Yes	10	3006	Black Brick 2 x 10
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Yes	1	44567	Black Hinge Plate 1 x 2 Locking with 1 Finger
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Yes	33	3032	Black Plate 4 x 6
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Yes	2	3029	Black Plate 4 x 12
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Yes	1	3037	Black Slope 45 2 x 4
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An API descriptor is not
THE end user's documentation

INCLUDES
Souvenir Photo Book

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THE STORY OF

STAR WARS

RETURN OF THE JEDI

Dialogue and Music from
the Original Motion Picture Soundtrack



Story telling



Interactive Story telling



One size does not fit all

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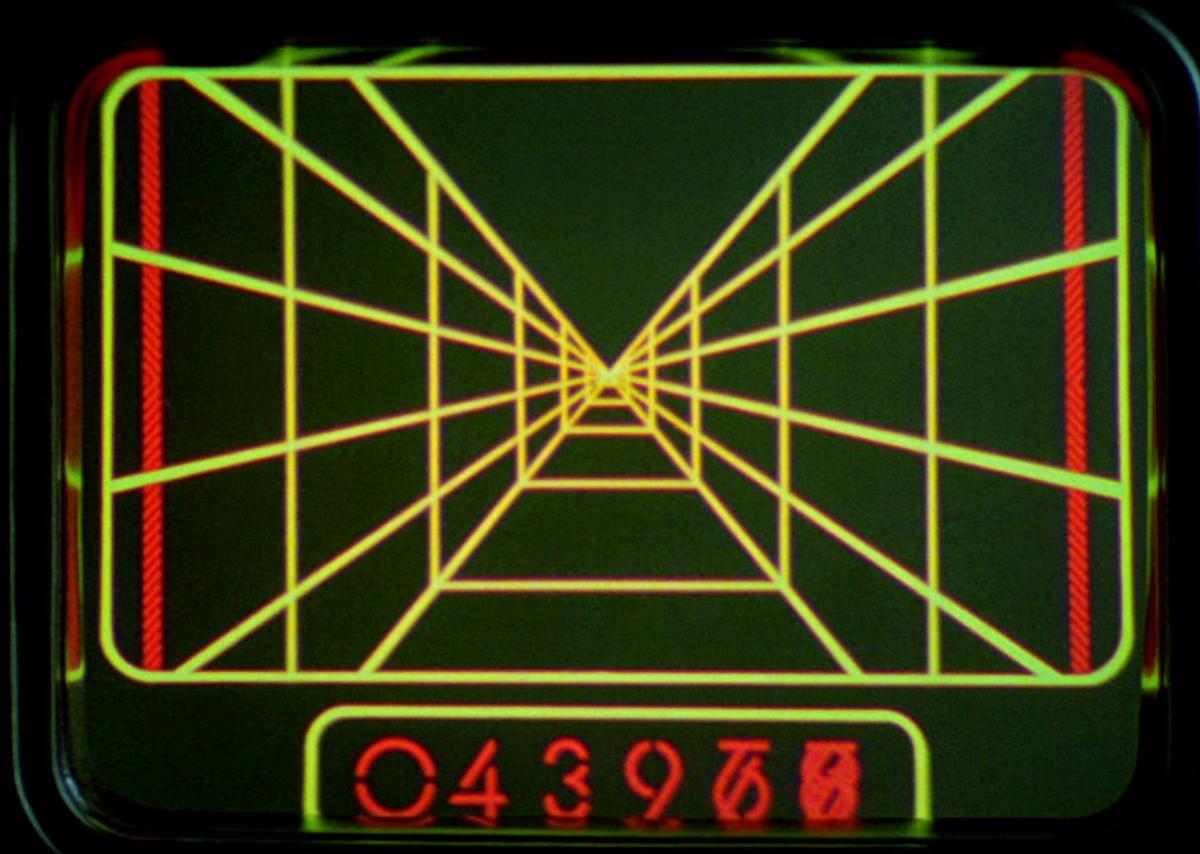
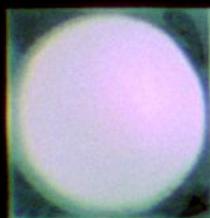
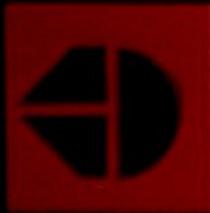
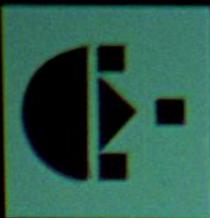
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Episode VI

RETURN OF THE META

Master Lin Kane has returned to his home planet of Hypermedia, to forge the ultimate documentation API~~IS~~JSON in a attempt to rescue the API providers from the clutches of the vile gangster Jabba the





Hyperdocumentation



Hypermedia



Content negotiation



application/json+documentation



documentation/tutorial+video



Metadocumentation

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APIVERSE AWAKENS

*Is this only a dream? Is this only
a utopia?*

*Will the API community find out
how to achieve API and
documentation symbiosis...*



I can't believe it.
This is why you fail.

SO MANY SEEDS

Meta documentation	APIS.JSON ...
Text documentation	MARKDOWN ASCIIDOC YAML ...
Visualizations	3DJS MERMAID UNITY ...
API descriptors and tools	SWAGGER RAML BLUEPRINT ...
Hypermedia and tools	SIREN HAL HYDRA UBER ...
Data and dependancies	NEO4J NPM PIP RUBYGEMS ...
CI and CD tools	JENKINS GO CD ...
Concepts	TDD BDD UML MICROSERVICES ...
Documentation tools	ARDOQ CORILLA ...
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VERY SPECIAL THX

@paulsbruce PAUL BRUCE

@jkriggins JENNIFER K. RIGGINS

@kinlane KIN LANE

and GEORGE LUCAS

MAY THE DOCUMENTATION BE WITH YOUR API.
ALWAYS.

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