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I haven't had a chance to see the famous video from Straumli Realm, except as an evocation. (My only gateway onto the Net is very expensive.) Is it true that humans have six legs? I wasn't sure from the

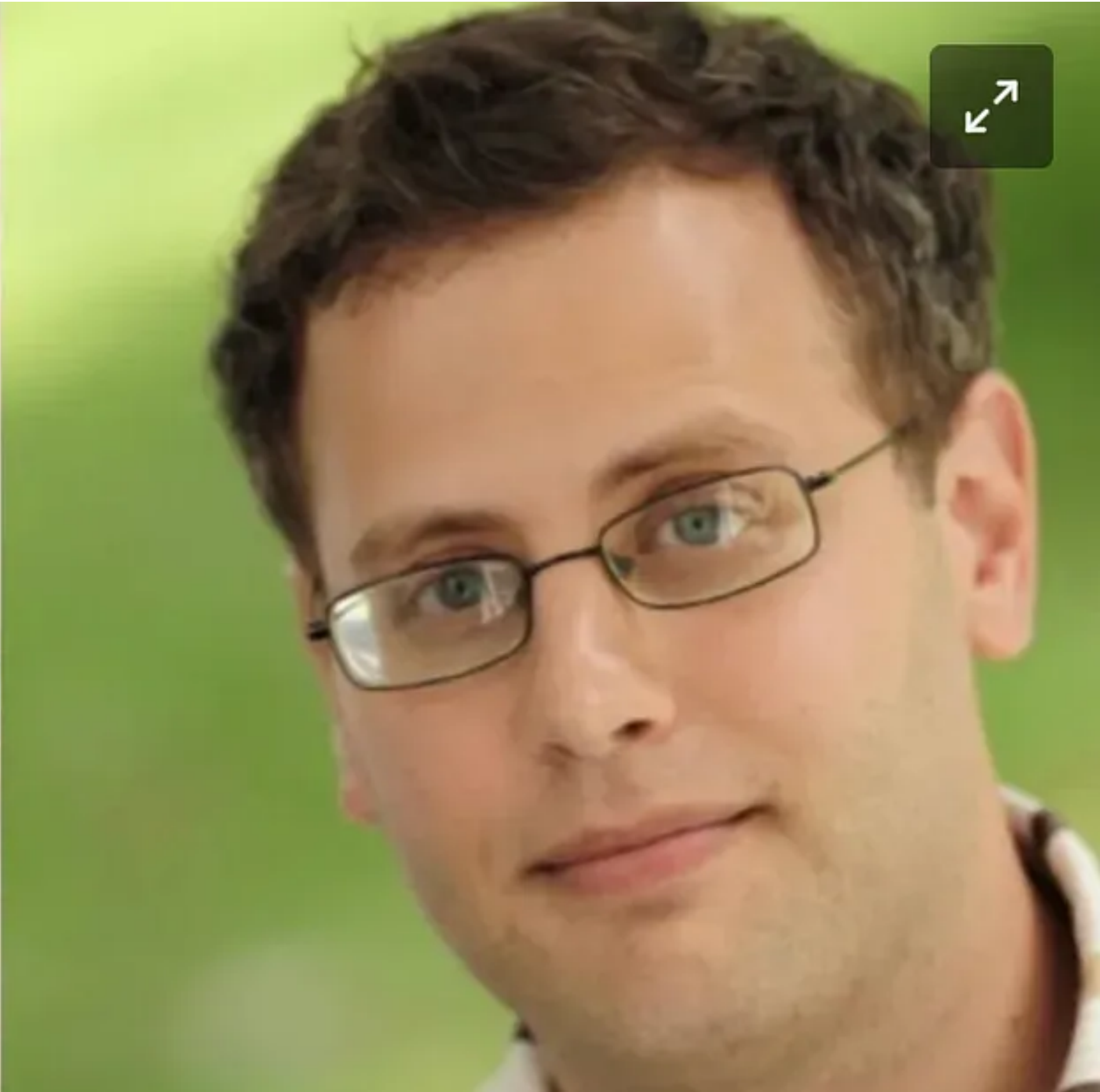
**Key Insights:**

1. Information really wants to be freeâ€”if it is not free, if it is â€œrecharged forâ€œ by advertising, or otherwise, you will get into a world of hurt.
2. In the information age the capitalist mode of production has become a fetter on economic development and human flourishing: Friedrich Engels was right.
3. We need free public-funded Mastodon < servers for everyone.
4. No! We donâ€™t!
5. We need John back in the future, to talk about: (a) the euthanasia of the rentier, what is misnamed â€œsecular stagnationâ€œ and the coming of a capital-slack economy.
6. BitCoin, meme stocks, and so forth are a reflection of this capital-slack economy.
7. We need John back in the future, to talk about how Elon Musk is a walking, talking, ranting, tweeting meme stock in human form.



- 8. We need multiple measures of economic activity: never draw strong conclusions from only one.
- 9. Xi Jinping's plan to shut down social media and have more people building semiconductors to put inside missiles and killer robots does not appear, so far, a great success.
- 10. The ratio of Google's user value to its real factor cost is on the order of 20-to-1.
- 11. Google's huge market power and profit rate powers the greatest AI-innovation engine in teh world today.
- 12. Hexapodia!

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