

World Peace: A Cure for Disease and Renewable Energy

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Logical Thesis

By curing disease and using renewable energy for most of society, international peace can be achieved and maintained, during a time of crisis with geopolitics, health, and safety. As the smartest person in human history, I have theorized a cure for disease using genetic engineering and am geopolitically discussing the transition of energy systems to renewables, to mitigate the defensive crisis of nuclear reactors and also climate change. I am in the process of updating the book and social media, writing more chapters soon. I apologize if some links have become inactive. I will make an effort to be attentive to the resources I provide. Thank you for your consideration.

Introduction: The Campaign to Become President of The United States of America

I am campaigning to become the next president of the United States of America. What most distinguishes me from other candidates is my testing profile. My testing profile might be globally and historically unprecedented and indicate a superlative intelligence.

My testing profile contains score reports with 17 national percentile ranks (NPRs) from standardized tests that I took for school from ages 5–22. The NPRs are at or above the 92nd percentile, with 4 NPRs in the 99th percentile and 9 NPRs at or above the 97th percentile. In addition to the NPRs, I have 6 scores on criterion-referenced tests that are either perfect or close to perfect. The scores can be viewed on my portfolio website, on the CV page in the testing profile section.

Here's a link to my portfolio website: <https://colin-pace.github.io/Portfolio/>

With my intellectual ability, I have multiple goals that I plan to accomplish as president. Among them, a prominent goal is to develop a treatment for cancer and other diseases. I plan to develop a treatment by working with scientists, engineers, and medical doctors to transform genetic engineering into a common palliative for disease.

CRISPR is a recent and important instrument of genetic engineering that enables the editing of DNA. CRISPR could be utilized on diseases, whether on diseased cells for correction or apoptosis or on immune cells for enhancements, as is currently being done by CRISPR for cancer with some success. The disease that I focus on is cancer because it accounts for a large amount of deaths in the United States, over 600,000 deaths per year, and I believe cancer could be treated with genetic engineering by deactivating the replicative genes of cancerous cells with multiplexed CRISPR.

There is potential for multiple types of disease to be treated by genetic engineering. Genetic engineering might treat diseases in the following categories: autoimmune diseases, degenerative / cellular dysfunction disorders, and perhaps even genetic, fibrotic, and inflammatory diseases. With more academic research and consultation with laboratories, I would be able to give estimations of difficulty and timeframes.

A second prominent goal is to negotiate geopolitically for world peace with the medical advancements that could be accomplished through genetic engineering. The conflicts described in the online application of the Global Conflict Tracker by the Council on Foreign Relations might be concluded and peace achieved if the countries were to gain the medical advancements that could be realized through genetic engineering.

A third goal is to effect a green energy transition to renewable sources like solar. Creating a renewable energy system for the U.S. would cost between \$800 billion and \$4 trillion, according to the National Renewable Energy Laboratory and also Yale, and renewables are already the economic optimum for energy, according to the United Nations. Since the energy sector could earn a good profit in renewables, and since the energy sector earns approximately \$1 trillion per year in profits from petroleum, as a presidential candidate, I would encourage the energy sector to invest in creating a renewable-energy system for the U.S.

In addition to the goals, as a presidential candidate, I would encourage reform in education and health through diet and exercise.

I would encourage education in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and the liberal arts. I would promote a multimodal curriculum that through artificial intelligence could provide individualized learning paths as an educational method.

I would encourage plant-based diets and health with exercise.

In summary of the chapter so far, I have a possibly unprecedented profile of NPRs and a good theory for genetic engineering that could be used in geopolitics to negotiate for world peace, with some other important goals and ideas about reform.

Before I outline my personal strengths, I will describe the challenges to become the president of the United States.

According to the Constitution, there are 3 criteria for becoming the president:

1. A person has to be a natural-born U.S. citizen.
2. A person has to be at least 35 years old.
3. A person has to have been a legal resident in the U.S. for at least 14 years.

I am a U.S. citizen who is 38 years old, and although I have lived internationally in France and India for months and even years since 2008, I believe I qualify as having been a legal resident of the U.S. for at least 14 years.

Additionally, there are criteria for campaigning as a candidate for a political party. Filing and registration, participating in primaries and caucuses, and fundraising are examples.

Since I became political in the early 2000s, I have aligned with the Democratic Party Platform. I am currently trying to connect with the Democrats to see if I might be able to become a Democratic presidential candidate, first among primary candidates for the Democratic nomination and then as the Democratic candidate for the 2028 election. If that is a possibility, I will file and register and raise funds mostly online as an evening and weekend political enterprise.

I anticipate that many voters will think I am young and inexperienced in governance. If you have such a hesitation, please consider my perhaps globally and historically unprecedented testing profile, combined with 2 decades of international travel and study about history, geopolitics, natural science, and coding.

I also have the following experience:

I have 2 years of professional work experience as a Research Engineering Scientist for the Applied Research Laboratories and as an Information Processing Specialist for Tata Consultancy Services at Apple.

I have independently studied coding for 8 years. I have written a textbook on coding that is available for free in the Appendix 1: Links. There is also a free game called Gem Search in the code section of my portfolio website.

I have 10 years of independently studying the natural sciences of physics, chemistry, biology, geology, and astronomy and the history of the natural sciences. I have written a series of good articles about science on the website Medium.

I also have theorized a treatment for cancer using CRISPR, an instrument of genetic engineering, and I have considered how genetic engineering could become a common treatment.

My potentially unprecedented ability is combined with experience in multiple domains, making my age at 38 a concern, but perhaps a concern that can be negotiated in the context of my formidable strengths of ability and experience.

I encourage people to read this autobiography, as I write it and post updates, to learn more about my life and ideas about my campaign to become the next president of the U.S.

Chapter 1: The Structure and Function of Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA)

I learned about my potentially globally and historically unprecedented testing profile of 17 national percentile ranks (NPRs) sometime around 2021. I knew I had scored well on some tests and was able to read difficult books, but I hadn't imagined my profile might be unprecedented. I was greatly moved by the realization.

Learning about my testing profile coincided with several intellectual projects on which I was working, with the foremost project my theorization of genetic engineering as a treatment for cancer. As mentioned in the introduction to the autobiography, cancer is a significant cause of death in the United States of America, and I am determined to develop genetic engineering into a treatment for the disease. As president, I would focus on multiple projects, leading the effort to treat cancer while consulting with other projects that consider genetic engineering for other diseases.

In this chapter, I'll discuss the biology of cancer so that the reader might gain an understanding of how genetic engineering could treat the disease.

Cancer is a disease of proliferating cells. The cells proliferate and form neoplasms or tumors. The cells proliferate because of a mutation in their DNA. Located in the nucleus of a cell, DNA is a molecule that has a distinctive shape and structure: a double helix of sequences of base pairs between the helices. There is all sorts of interesting biological information about DNA, the code of information in the base pairs in the double helix, and the cell, including the number of base pairs and genes, the functions of genes, the structures on which DNA aggregates or chromosomes, and much more.

While the molecule is significant, including complex and repetitive configurations of elements like carbon, hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, and phosphorous, the biologically paramount

point for my theory is that the base pairs in the double helix of DNA encode information as genes that proteins read to synthesize new structures for a cell and new proteins to create and maintain the cell.

DNA encodes genes that direct a cell about replication or the creation of a new cell from the existing cell.

There is also a distinctive process of DNA replication, so a reader might keep the idea in mind that both DNA and also cells replicate.

When a mutation adversely affects the genes for cellular replication, prompting an increased rate uncontrolled by normal cellular defenses (such as apoptotic signaling), a cell begins to divide as a cancerous cell.

Because of the way cells proliferate or divide, in a process called mitosis (and also meiosis for a subset of cells), which involves the replication or duplication of DNA and separation of the replicated DNA so that each section of the dividing cell becomes a new cell with DNA, the mutation that causes a cell to divide as a cancerous cell is distributed to the new cell and maintained by the progenitive cell, and both cells continue to replicate or divide as do the new cells created in replication.

The context is significantly more complex than what I've described above, and an excellent synopsis of the context is found in a pair of articles by the American biologists Douglas Hanahan and Robert Weinberg, published in the years 2000 and 2011. The first article is called "The Hallmarks of Cancer," and the second article, which elaborates on the first with updates, is called "The Hallmarks of Cancer: The Next Generation." Both articles are available online, and I've provided links to them at the end of my autobiography in Appendix 1: Links.

Insight from Hanahan and Weinberg that is particularly interesting for my theory of a treatment for cancer with genetic engineering is that the mutations that cause cancer can happen not just in the DNA of genes that enact replication but also in the DNA of genes that can indirectly cause replication through signaling in what are called signal cascade networks.

Part of the power of my theory comes from its versatility, and in the context of signal cascade networks, my theory demonstrates significant versatility by addressing the types of signal cascade networks with a focus on the genes that enact mitosis. The resolved focus has the advantages of avoiding intervention in complex signal cascade networks and also of preventing alternate or subsequent mutations from catalyzing cancerous proliferation.

The focus on the deactivation of genes for cellular replication is a key insight of the theory. I independently theorized the utilization of genetic engineering for replicative genes. Later, I learned that chemotherapy attempts the same effect, a deactivation through chemicals of genes for cellular replication.

The difference between chemotherapy and the technology in my theory is the instrument that achieves the deactivation of replicative genes.

Chemotherapeutics indiscriminately affect cells, cancerous and healthy cells, which results in many of the negative side effects of chemotherapy. Furthermore, chemotherapeutics, in comparison to the instrument of genetic engineering in my theory, are limited in the types of genes that the chemicals can simultaneously target, which is a vulnerability in the context of cancerous responses in repair for damaged DNA.

Genetic engineering with CRISPR has advantages over chemotherapeutics. An acronym for clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats, CRISPR is a trait that evolved in bacteria as a response to invading viruses called bacteriophages, and in 2012, scientific researchers transformed CRISPR into an instrument of genetic engineering that is used on human DNA to edit genes, whether for activation, deactivation, or maybe even changing genetic function. The science and engineering involved in editing genes with CRISPR are vast and sophisticated, so I will only mention that a CRISPR editor is delivered to a cell where the editor then travels to the cellular nucleus and traverses DNA to find a locus or sequence where the editor then makes a genetic edit by severing a segment of the DNA at that location, which

prompts a natural repair mechanism that results in the reconstitution of the DNA and therefore gene, either activating or deactivating the gene.

For my theory, the first advantage that CRISPR has over chemotherapy is that viral vectors selectively deliver CRISPR to cells. As a treatment for cancer, CRISPR would be more precise, fairly reliably delivered to cancerous and not healthy cells. The delivery would result in fewer and less severe negative side effects than chemotherapy has.

A second advantage is that CRISPR can be multiplexed. Multiplexed CRISPR simultaneously targets multiple genes. So, multiple types of replicative genes could be targeted. For example, a CRISPR genetic editor could target genes that encode the proteins that create and direct the mitotic spindle or that enact cytokinesis. Other possible targets include the genes that encode proteins that enact the duplication and repair of DNA. Multiplexed CRISPR can target approximately 20 genes, and I suspect that a combination of genes from the different types mentioned (mitotic or replicative of DNA) would be most effective. Experimentation with different configurations of multiplexed CRISPR would be necessary.

That is the basic idea of my theory. As mentioned, the biology of cancer is more complex, as is the engineering of the instrument of a CRISPR editor. But the autobiographical chapter so far gives a scientifically useful and perhaps literarily accessible overview.

At this point, a reader might consider other utilizations of genetic engineering with the instrument of a CRISPR editor on other diseases. The diseases might rely on specific proteins that cause inimical consequences. CRISPR edits could deactivate the inimical genes in different types of diseased cells. The pathological biology and genetic engineering will be more complex in any specific context, but an abstracted principle is that CRISPR edits to inimical genes in diseased cells deactivate the genes or even cells in a process of programmed cellular death called apoptosis (pronounced a • puh • tow • sis).

Another approach is for CRISPR edits to enhance immune cells. But I will consider that topic in another chapter.

The ideas I have expressed in this chapter are nascent. Scientific, engineering, and medical literature contextualize the idea of the utilization of CRISPR to engineer genetically a treatment for cancer, but I am theorizing the medical advance. My potentially globally and historically unprecedented testing profile emboldens my resolve to develop CRISPR as an instrument of genetic engineering for cancer and for other diseases.

People across the world would want to have the resource as a medical treatment, and I hope to use the medical advance to negotiate for world peace. I will consider aspects of the idea of the exchange of a common treatment in CRISPR for world peace in the next chapter.

Chapter 2: Project Coordinated Science as a Foundational Pillar for World Peace

Genetic engineering might be able to treat most diseases and soon. With the ability to treat disease, I would negotiate with leaders of the world to achieve and maintain international peace.

Some diseases are recurring, while others are eradicable. Cancer, for example, occurs when DNA mutates and remains uncorrected. Smallpox has been completely eradicated, and polio and others have been eradicated in geographic areas. The recurrence of some diseases and the potential for them to change, in addition to the unlikely possibility of encountering new diseases, like COVID-19, indicates that an instrument of genetic engineering should be adaptable, able to achieve new types of treatments in short durations.

The geopolitics of the context is complex. Treatment by genetic engineering will be the leverage in negotiations, but humanitarian concerns also suggest that a fast and comprehensive distribution is important. The goal of negotiations is not regime change. I support democracy, but the loss of life, if I were to offer the treatment only to democratic nations, would be staggering. Withholding the treatment from uncooperative nations also would risk prompting societal instability at multiple places around the world.

There are several advantages of the treatment in geopolitical negotiations for international peace.

One is having another option to complement those the United States already has, like technological advancement.

Another advantage is that the U.S. would be able to restrict distribution in times of conflict.

A third advantage is that I am a citizen of the U.S., so there is a temporal advantage that adversaries do not have – we found it first and probably I am most capable of directing the development and implementation of a genetic engineering technology for disease.

A fourth advantage is that the U.S. is a democracy: Because the theorization and possible development and implementation of the treatment by genetic engineering for disease represent a concentration of power, it is a fortuitous fact that the concentration is in a democracy, and a strong democracy.

Could an authoritarian more quickly enact the process? Perhaps. But the U.S. makes rational, deliberate decisions that are advantageous for the progress of the planet, and an authoritarian might use the technology for inimical projects. The ethics of the technology, in addition to that of geopolitics based on the technology, is also complex. I will address the ethics of the technology in the next chapter.

In the following passages is a vision of what a first administration might look like with the technology of genetic engineering.

If I were to win the election in 2028 and become president of the United States in 2029, the first item on my agenda would be to express an interest in international peace and prosperity through mutually beneficial trade.

Following up on the interest, in the first year of my tenure as president and as part of achieving planetary peace with treatments for disease, I would orchestrate scientific and diplomatic projects, respectively, to develop the technology of genetic engineering and begin dialogue with the leaders of the nations of the world, learning their interests for cooperation in the development, implementation, and distribution of medical technology.

Let me address each of the topics, science and diplomacy, in order. There are many diseases, so to start, I would focus on the leading causes of death in the U.S. and in the world. I would create a project for each disease after a preliminary interpretation of feasibility for them. A project would be coordinated by a project manager who coordinates a team of scientists,

engineers, doctors, etc. The team members would have education and experience studying the disease of the project.

As discussed in the previous chapter, there are two aspects to the treatment:

- 1) Delivery of a genetic editor to the nucleus of a diseased cell
- 2) Editing the DNA at an appropriate location to achieve an effect on a cell

Depending on the state of the art of the knowledge and technology, which I would ascertain by consultation with a preliminary research team, I would decide whether each project should be bifurcated into delivery and editing components. It might be, however, that delivery is relatively uniform across editor types, so an editing team might be formed separately from each project, as its own project, and the delivery team would provide the transmission of the genetic editor to the cellular nucleus of diseased cells.

The projects focused on disease would initially identify a combination of genes that might achieve a cellular effect that discontinues a disease. Most likely, this will often involve inducing apoptosis, though perhaps other types of edits that, in essence, leave a diseased cell in limbo, unable to replicate and eventually deconstructed by apoptotic macrophages, might also work.

Probably, each disease will have a different combination of genes that are most effective in discontinuing the disease. Some diseases are internally variegated. Cancer, for example, has approximately 100 types, which might require variations in treatment. Teams on projects for diseases with such complexity would be larger and more sophisticated, appropriate to the scope of the project.

I anticipate that my theorized solution might be an advantageous starting point for the projects. Cellular division in mitosis and meiosis are essential processes for many diseases like cancer. Even viruses use cellular replicatory machinery to create virions.

I would play a number of roles in both the science and diplomatic spheres. Continuing with the scientific side, I would start with a schedule that allocates about half my time to work with the team on the project for treating cancer, studying both the delivery and editing aspects of the project. For the other half of my time with the science teams, I would consult with the project managers and participate and observe in team discussions about ideas, perhaps redirecting the project at points. I would be careful not to micromanage if progress is achieved.

Progress seems likely, as already genetic engineering is achieving successes. In 2025, National Public Radio ran a story about a young patient, KJ Muldoon, who received a successful treatment with CRISPR. In addition to being wonderful news, the treatment demonstrates that the number of genetic editors that can be currently implemented in the body of a patient is in the order of billions, about the number that is in an average sized tumor.

So, today, a treatment could potentially target a tumor. Delivery is probably going to be a difficulty, identifying and reaching only cancerous cells. But the example with Mr. Muldoon also indicates that targeting is becoming available.

In addition to participating solving the delivery of genetic editors to cancerous cells, I would also consider the combination of genes in different types of cancer that, targeted with multiplexed CRISPR, or a form of a genetic editor that can target up to dozens of genes simultaneously, might achieve the cessation of cellular division. In the previous chapter, I mentioned obvious targets to start investigating, like genes that synthesize proteins that create and direct mitotic spindles.

Once a viable combination of genes is identified, trials would start. As a plant-based person, I am hesitant to conduct animal trials. I would first experiment with cloned cells *ex vivo*. Once effective solutions are found in those contexts, mouse trials could start.

I have ambiguous ethical feelings about even mouse trials. But to the extent such trials can be ethical, I will ensure they will be, and I believe the benefit of the technology will be worth the animal trials, both for humans and animals. I will focus at first on developing and

implementing a treatment for disease for humans, but once that is achieved, I will also focus on creating one for animals.

In brief summary of the chapter so far, the idea is that after winning the 2028 presidential election, in 2029, I would set up laboratories with projects and teams of scientists to first preliminarily interpret and then develop and implement genetic engineering technology for diseases. I would participate in the process in different ways, both directing the process and also delving into research and discussion.

If all the bureaucracy and logistics can be achieved, even during the transition to the presidency, I anticipate that the time frame from preliminary interpretation of feasibility by each project team to an interpretation of the first trial results might be something like 6 months. Operation Warp Speed, by the first administration of President Trump, is an example that gives one an idea of how fast the process might go.

Once the trial results are interpreted, the teams will decide whether the project achieved a successful milestone. It is highly unlikely many teams will achieve success in the first trial, and even if they do, there will be refinements for efficacy and efficiency. Other teams might have to try a new combination of genes. Maybe there will be problems with the delivery of a particular genetic editor. As the director of the project, I will keep notes on the progress of project milestones and phases, intervening if timeline or scope considerations become untenable.

By the end of the first year, I anticipate most project teams will have a working prototype. At that point, we could decide whether another year or two of refinement would be optimal or instead whether the project should transition from research and development to implementation with the biotechnology industry. At the stage of industrial transition in a project, I would detach from the project, giving responsibility to industrial leaders and members of my administration.

Moving from the scientific sphere to the diplomatic sphere, I would start by making a speech at the United Nations about my intentions of developing and implementing a technology of genetic engineering to treat disease and of negotiating with the technology to achieve

planetary peace. After officially notifying the nations of the world about the goal, I would send ambassadors to each nation to find out what the leaders of the nations think. Would they want to participate in at least the distribution of the technology in their country? How might the contribution of medical technology encourage mutually prosperous trade?

For nations that are in conflict, I would still offer them medical technology, though I suspect that in many conflicts, distribution and administration of the technology are unrealistic. I would also use the contribution as an encouragement to achieve peace. The developed world developed in decades in the 20th century. The developing world could similarly develop in the 21st century.

With equal national opportunities across the globe, migration crises etc. would be solved and, optimistically, war ended. With climate change mitigated by renewable energy, another key aspect of my political program, the continents will continue to be habitable. With medical technology, people might be freed from the burden of disease. In centuries, perhaps, humanity will figure out how to lengthen telomeres. That might prolong life. The state of the art is far from that capability today, as far as I know, but achieving a panacea for disease might be possible today.

After the science projects transition to industrial production and the diplomatic projects achieve mutually beneficial trade agreements with the nations of the world, I will encourage all participants, in the U.S. and elsewhere, to create voluminous multi-modal media about the experience. This could be one of the great achievements of humanity, and understanding the diversity of perspectives would be invaluable as a scholastic and historical treasure trove.

Chapter 3: Chess Strategy

I learned chess from a young age, maybe 5–10 years old. As a child prodigy in cognitive ability, I probably displayed a considerable ability. Today, I play for fun against the computer.

My 10 chess strategies:

Early in a game, it's good to control the center of the board, at first with pawns.

Know the difference between targeting with spikes and taking a piece.

Castle one's king early in a game, preferably away from the side of attack.

Knights are best used early in the center of the board.

In the mid game, begin to move pieces past row 4.

A bishop, rook, and queen effectively target at a distance.

Calculate likely lines (moves and counter moves) to at least 3 or 4 frames deep.

Advance at least two pieces in an attack, preferably both stronger than pawns.

In the end game, target the king as one attacks, increasingly limiting mobility.

Achieve checkmate by an increased targeting with movement by multiple pieces.

With these strategies, one can deduce advantageous tactics in any given chess context.

Chess is more of an art than a science. The openings favor pieces and configurations, but after a few moves per side, the permutations become practically incalculable by a human. At best, a human might calculate a few lines into any possible move on the board, perhaps extending the interpretation for counter responses and subsequent moves by the player themselves. But the number of calculations quickly adds up. A *Schwerpunkt* is hypothesized and focused on, and some players are particularly good at the art.

A computer can and does calculate the lines that are incalculable for a human. A computer that calculates the lines can easily defeat a human at chess. The superiority of a computer in relation to a human at the game of chess indicates that the game is an art to the extent humans strategically guess at optimal regions and chance upon paths.

Chapter 4: An Education in the Sciences and Humanities

In addition to being the smartest person in human history, I'm arguably the best educated. Although because of office politics I wasn't awarded a doctorate of philosophy (PhD) from the University of Texas at Austin, I earned a PhD in terms of education and scholarship. I like to think of myself a doctor of philosophy. I also legitimately have a masters degree (MA) and a bachelors (BA) degree. Approximately 5 percent of the nation has this set of degrees.

What further distinguishes me from others is my autodidacticism: I teach myself huge amounts of information. For example, to theorize a cure for disease using genetic engineering, I taught myself the knowledge bases of medicine and engineering. Or in another example, to learn coding, I taught myself object oriented programming.

In addition to learning specific data sets, I have focused on learning a balanced and compendious collection of knowledge. My education in science includes a college-level familiarity with the following subjects.

Natural science:

Physics

Chemistry

Biology

Geology

Astronomy

Mathematics

Algebra

Geometry

Statistics

Calculus

Computer science

Social science

Anthropology

Economics

Linguistics

Political science

Psychology

Sociology

Humanities

Music theory

History (the classic triptych of the classical, medieval, and modern)

While studying the aforementioned 18 disciplines, I've studied the structure of a discourse (the historical formation of the knowledge) and the disciplinary epistemology, gaining an understanding of the sub-branches of a science, for example, genetics in biology, and also the types of claims that a methodology enables, the differentiation between primary and secondary sources in a historical monograph, for example.

An advantage of a structured education is the ability to categorize new information and methodology as either orthodox or unorthodox, reformist or revolutionary, and particular or general.

While the breadth of my knowledge is impressive, I also specialized, focusing on languages, both human languages (Spanish and Hindi, for example), and then the computer language of JavaScript. I am interested in grammar and find learning and working with grammatical patterns fascinating.

Chapter 5: My Superlative Cognitive Intelligence

I believe there are 9 elements of my cognitive intelligence that make my mind unique:

1. Speed	faster input, processing, and output
2. Accuracy	correct answers and interpretive orthodoxy
3. Precision or discernment of complexity	finer distinctions or analysis
4. Creativity	sophisticated combination or synthesis
5. Pattern recognition	identification of a coherent subset
6. Abstraction and generalization	relevant comparison and contrast
7. Metacognition	awareness of one's own mental state
8. Memory	recollection of magnitude with precision
9. Stamina	endurance in the intellectual abilities

Four aspects of the testing profile suggest an unprecedented or superlative cognitive intelligence:

- 1) The number of national percentile ranks: 17
- 2) The number of high placements: 9 at the 97th percentile or above and 4 in the 99th percentile
- 3) The number of subjects (reading or language, mathematics, environment or visual, science, and writing) I've tested well in: 5
- 4) The timespan and development stages I've tested well during: ages 5 – 22.

The citation of standardized tests is an orthodox method in psychology: Dr. Deborah Ruf writes that “achievement test scores” are used to identify gifted or hyper intelligent people (pps. 30, 35).

Some psychologists or psychiatrists might critique my testing profile for being without an I.Q. or intelligence quotient. An I.Q. test is the definitive measurement of cognitive intelligence. I suspect that I have taken 2 or 3 I.Q. tests in my life and that they are classified as top secret. I will return to this point in a later chapter. For now, however, please know that even with the critique of a “missing” I.Q., my profile still is more impressive than any other I have seen in books of tables with gifted people.

My superlative cognitive intelligence is attested by the collection of national percentile ranks.

Here’s a matrix of my test scores, with a larger version of it in Appendix 3:

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3. X page: https://x.com/pace_colin1987
4. Medium page with science articles: <https://medium.com/@colinpace1987>
5. Coding book “Algorithms and Programs”:
<https://colinpace1987.github.io/portfolio/aap.pdf>
6. CRISPR success in 2025:
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Appendix 2: A Timeline of My Life

1987: I was born in Denver, Colorado. My father was a petroleum geophysicist.

1989: My family moved to Dallas, Texas, where my father found employment with Brigham Oil and Gas.

1992: I began taking standardized tests in school.

1996: In my most impressive testing performance, I scored 3 NPRs in the 99th percentile in the subject tests of Advanced Math, Math Total, and Advanced Reading on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, a reputable achievement test for students across the U.S. I also placed in the 97th percentile in Reading Total.

1997: Brigham Oil and Gas moved to Austin, and our family followed.

2002: My father passed away from cancer.

2005: I graduated from high school, and I took my first international trip, going to Europe to visit England, France, Italy, and other nations. After I returned to the U.S., I started college at the University of North Texas, where I wanted to become a musician.

2006: I transferred to UT Austin and began to study sociocultural anthropology with the protege of the iconic anthropologist Victor Turner.

2007: I saw former President Obama give a stump speech in Austin during his first presidential run. I was impressed by former President Obama's speech and later by his books.

2008: I traveled to several European nations for the second time. I went with the Normandy Scholars Program, an undergraduate history program about World War II.

2009: I took the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) in preparation for my application to graduate school. It is the last standardized test in my testing profile.

2010: I began taking courses about the Indian language Hindi with the Director of the now closed Hindi Urdu Flagship at UT Austin. I also traveled for the first time to India, a country I returned to 2 or 3 times during the decade, to study Hindi.

2011: I graduated from UT Austin with a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology.

2012: I began graduate school at UT Austin.

2013: I won a Graduate Research Fellowship from the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF) and a Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship from the South Asia Institute at UT Austin.

2014: I graduated from an MA program with a degree in Asian Cultures and Languages from the Department of Asian Studies. I wrote an MA Report that was co-supervised by the Director of the Hindi Urdu Flagship. I began an MA/PhD program in the Department of Anthropology at UT Austin.

2015: I bought 5 textbooks about the natural sciences of physics, chemistry, biology, geology, and astronomy. I read them, taking extensive notes.

2017: I left UT Austin (without a PhD) and began to study coding. I also visited India for a few months.

2019: I theorized a treatment for cancer with CRISPR, an instrument of genetic engineering.

2020: I found my first professional employment as a Research Engineering Scientist at the Applied Research Laboratories in Austin. I also became interested in the history of the natural sciences. I researched the history of the natural sciences and wrote an article called "A History of the Natural Sciences," which is available on Medium.

2021: I completed a coding boot camp at UT Austin. I also started to learn about my testing profile, after having discovered a file with the score reports.

2022: I wrote an introductory textbook about coding. The book is titled "Algorithms and Programs" and is available for free on my portfolio website.

2024: I worked for Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) at Apple.

Appendix 3: A Matrix of My Test Scores

Norm-Referenced Tests

Test	Year	Grade	Age	Subject	National Percentile Rank	Grade Equivalence
Stanford Early School Achievement Test (SESAT)	1992	K	5	Environment	99	3.5
				Reading	97	1.2
				Math	95	1.2
				Listening	95	2.0
				Basic Battery	98	1.2
				Complete Battery	98	1.3
Metropolitan Readiness Tests (MRT)	1993	K	6	Visual	92	n/a
				Language	97	
				Composite (with others not listed)	95	
Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS)	1995	2	8	Reading Total	92	
				Math Total	92	
ITBS	1996	3	9	Advanced Math	99	
				Math Total	99	
				Advanced Reading	99	
				Reading Total	97	

Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) – taken in 2009 for graduate school at age 22

Subject	Percentile Rank	Estimated Percentile Rank for Age Range in National Population
Verbal Reasoning	96	98-99
Analytical Writing	96	98-99

Criterion-Referenced Tests

Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS)

Year	Grade	Age	Subject	Items Correct / Number of Items
1996	3	9	Reading	36 / 36
			Math	42 / 44
2001	8	14	Reading	47 / 48
			Math	59 / 60
			Science	39 / 40
			Writing	38 / 40

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