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A close-up, low-angle shot of a dark, textured surface, likely water, with ripples and reflections. In the bottom right corner, a portion of a kayak is visible, colored red and orange. A small, circular yellow and black device with a red cord is attached to the kayak's deck.

Help! I've fallen  
and I can't get up

hey hi hello

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# Sage





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I'm doing a lot of stuff  
with computers right now



# WeThinkCode\_

## Mentors Handbook 2022

A guide to the second year mentorship program.



AQUA MARINA

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SPORTS III

**Stuck?**

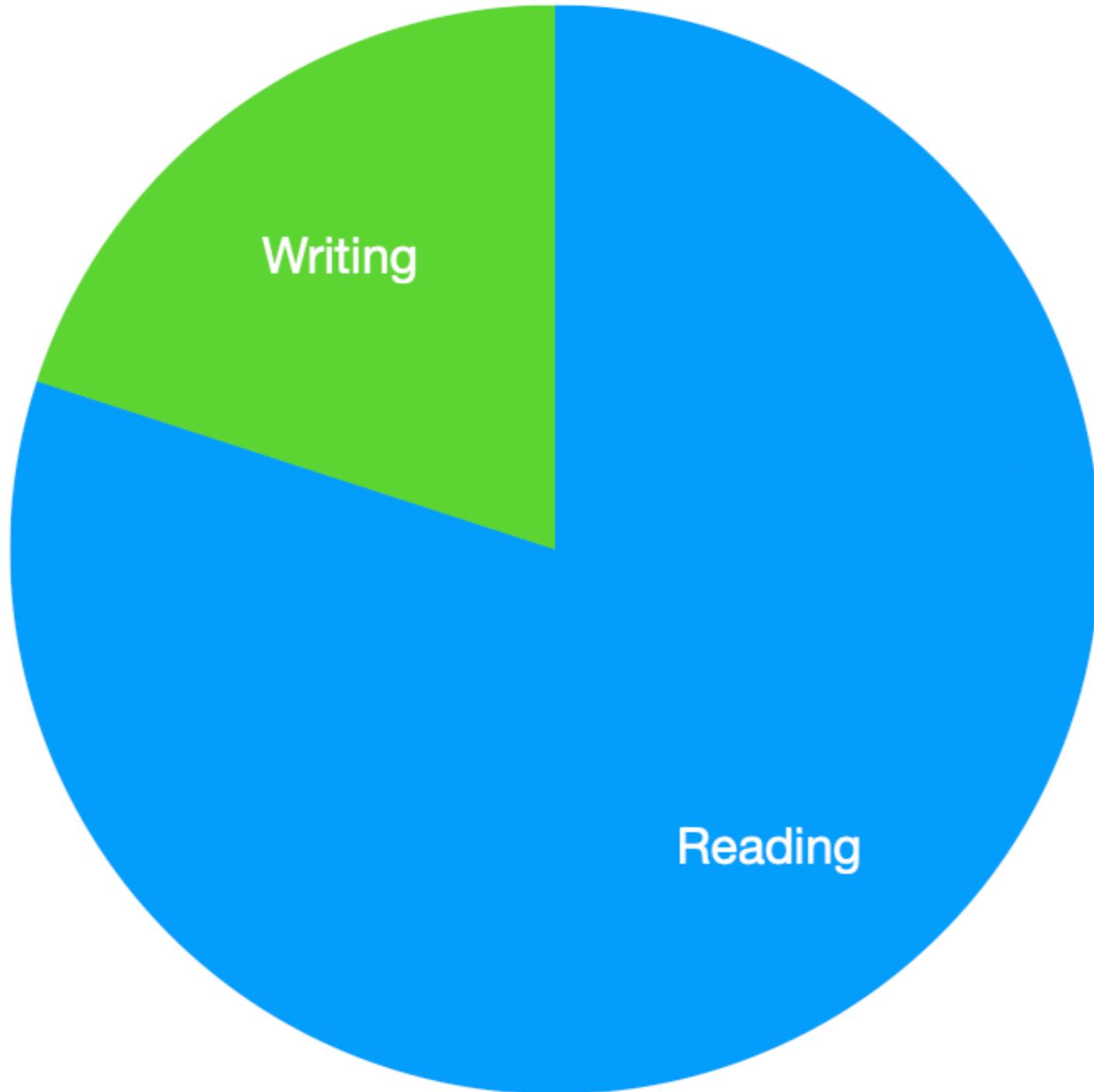


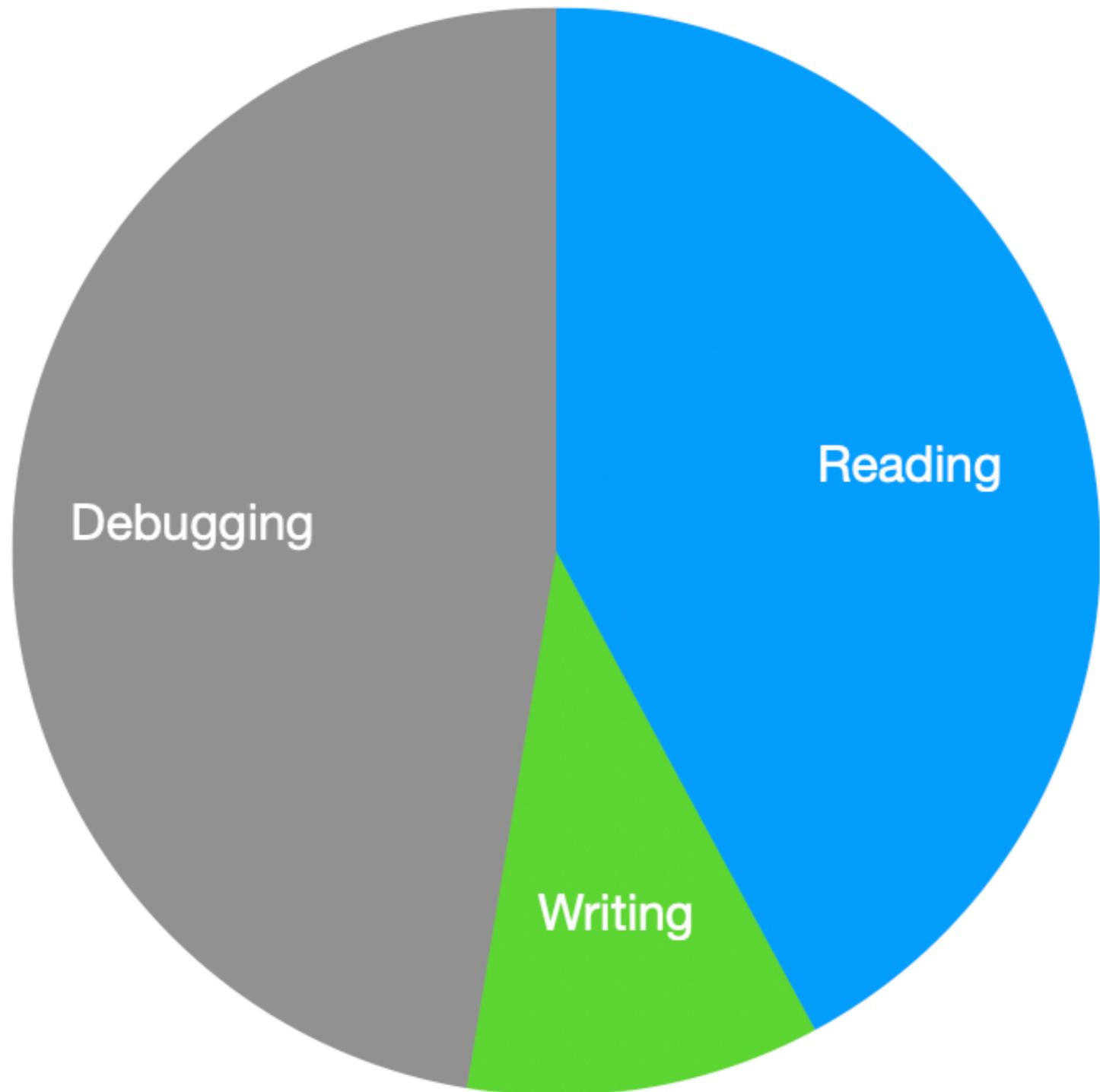


We are (nearly)  
always wrong

**“Always wanted to travel back in time to try fighting a younger version of yourself ? Software development is the career for you !”**

**@Loh**

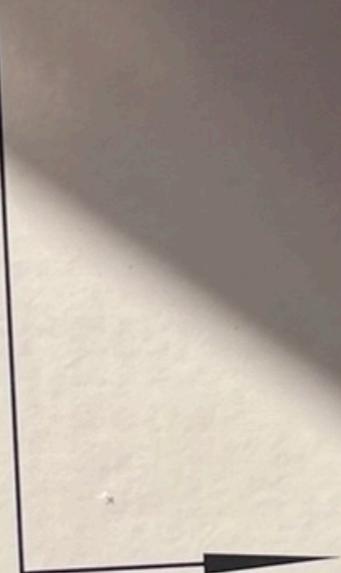






CD-ROM  
Included

# Debugging Applications



The Bugslayer's  
guide to finding  
and fixing coding  
errors in Microsoft®  
Windows®-based  
applications

John Robbins

“Debugging is twice as hard as writing the code in the first place. Therefore if you write the code as cleverly as possible, you are, by definition, not smart enough to debug it.”

Brian Kernighan

# Assumptions



# Debugging Applications is Hard

# The Bugslayer's guide to finding and fixing coding errors in Microsoft® Windows®-based applications

John Robbins

**(un)Certainty**

**understanding**

**SPEED UP!!!!!!**

.....

**SLOW  
DOWN**



**Progress ...**

**...Investigation**

**Change!!!**

**Change!!!**

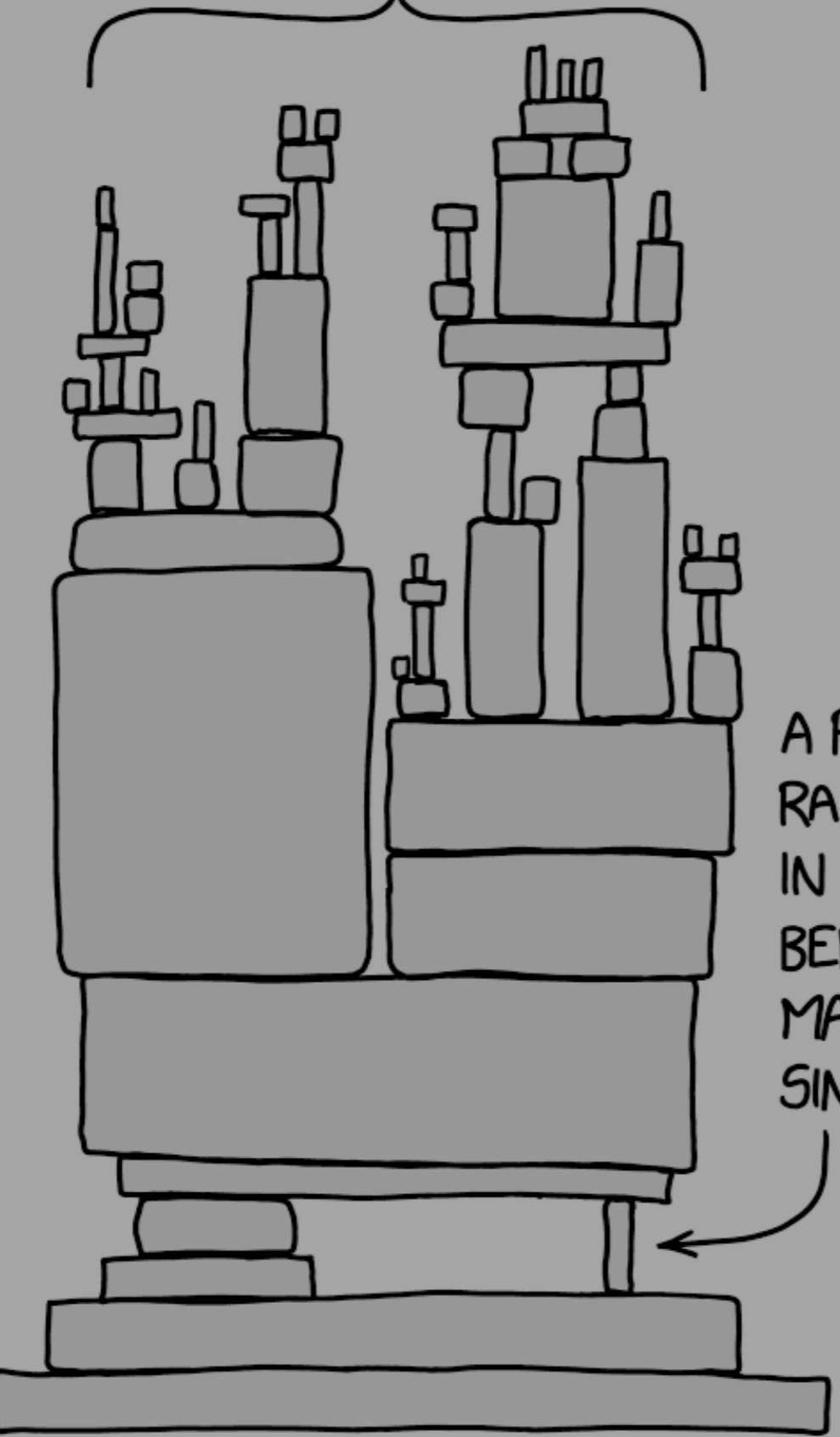
**Something!!!**

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while(1):  
    change();
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Code or  
Understanding

**Your Fault?**

# ALL MODERN DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE



A PROJECT SOME  
RANDOM PERSON  
IN NEBRASKA HAS  
BEEN THANKLESSLY  
MAINTAINING  
SINCE 2003

**Smaller Steps**

**Better**

**Feedback**

# Assumptions

## Hard

**ThisfileExists.txt**

**Make a List  
(or two)**

- Automated Tests
- Manual Tests
- Breakpoints
- Print("I am here")
- Log("also here")
- Perturbation

Bugs Hide in  
the Stuff We  
Don't Check

**“The first principle is that you  
must not fool yourself - and you  
are the easiest person to fool”**

**Richard Feynman**

- Hypothesis
- Design Experiment
- Run Experiment
- Check outcome

- Is the table correct?
- Is the data sensible?
- Is this query running?
- What is the SQL?
- Can we run it manually?
- Is there a firewall?

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SERIOUS  
SCIENTIFIC ANSWERS  
TO ABSURD HYPOTHETICAL  
QUESTIONS



from  
the creator of  
**XKCD**

'NERD ROYALTY'  
BEN GOLDACRE

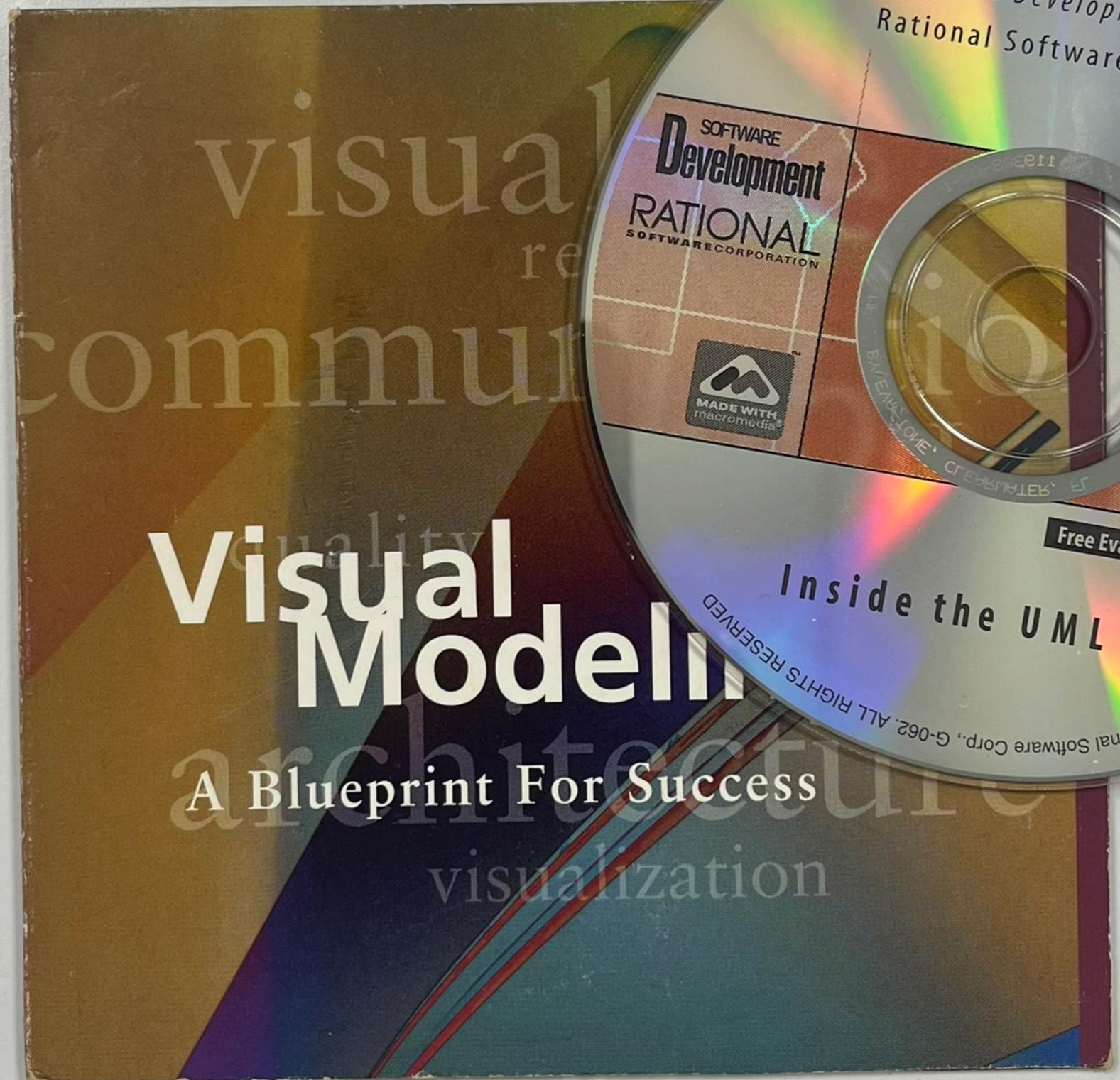
'BRILLIANT'  
ROLLING STONE

# WHAT IF?

RANDALL MUNROE

**Write Stuff**

**Down**



**Get It Out  
of Your Head**

**Yaks &  
Ducks &  
Rabbits.**





**Yaks &  
Ducks &  
Rabbits.**



**YAK SHAVING DAY.**



# 32-bit computing

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Article Talk

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From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

In [computer architecture](#), **32-bit computing** refers to computer systems with a [processor](#), [memory](#), and other major system components that operate on data in [32-bit](#) units.<sup>[1][2]</sup> Compared to smaller bit widths, 32-bit computers can perform large calculations more efficiently and process more data per clock cycle. Typical 32-bit [personal computers](#) also have a 32-bit [address bus](#), permitting up to 4 GB of [RAM](#) to be accessed, far more than previous generations of system architecture allowed.<sup>[3]</sup>

32-bit designs have been used since the earliest days of electronic computing, in experimental systems and then in large [mainframe](#) and [minicomputer](#) systems. The first hybrid 16/32-bit [microprocessor](#), the [Motorola 68000](#), was introduced in the late 1970s and used in systems such as the original [Apple Macintosh](#). Fully 32-bit microprocessors such as the [HP FOCUS](#), [Motorola 68020](#) and [Intel 80386](#) were launched in the early to mid 1980s and became dominant by the early 1990s. This generation of personal computers coincided with and enabled the first [mass-adoption of the World Wide Web](#). While 32-bit architectures are still widely-used in specific applications, the PC and server market has moved on to [64 bits](#) with [x86-64](#) and other 64-bit architectures since the mid-2000s with installed memory often exceeding the 32-bit 4G RAM address limits on entry level computers. The latest generation of [smartphones](#) have also switched to 64 bits.

## Computer architecture bit width

### Bit

1 · 4 · 8 · 12 · 16 · 18 · 24 · 26 · 30 · 31 · 32 · 45 · 48 · 60 · 64 · 128 · 256 · 512 · bit slicing

### Application

8 · 16 · 32 · 64

### Binary floating-point precision

16 ( $\times \frac{1}{2}$ ) · 24 · 32 ( $\times 1$ ) · 40 · 64 ( $\times 2$ ) · 80 ( $\times 4$ ) · 256 ( $\times 8$ )

### Decimal floating-point precision

32 · 64 · 128

## Range for storing integers [edit]

A 32-bit register can store  $2^{32}$  different values. The [range](#) of [integer](#) values that can be stored in 32 bits depends on the [integer](#)

Article Talk

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**Illiac Suite** (later retitled **String Quartet No. 4**)<sup>[1]</sup> is a 1957 composition for **string quartet** which is generally agreed to be the first score composed by an **electronic computer**.<sup>[2]</sup> Lejaren Hiller, in collaboration with Leonard Isaacson, programmed the **ILLIAC I** computer at the **University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign** (where both composers were professors) to generate compositional material for his String Quartet No. 4.

The piece consists of four movements, corresponding to four experiments: the first is about the generation of **cantus firmi**, the second generates **four-voice** segments with various rules, the third deals with **rhythm**, **dynamics** and playing instructions, and the fourth uses various models and probabilities for **generative grammars** or **Markov chains** (see **stochastic music**).<sup>[3]</sup>

## References [edit]

1. ^ Andrew Stiller, "Hiller, Lejaren (Arthur)", *Grove Music Online* (reviewed December 3, 2010; accessed December 14, 2014).
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3. ^ Lejaren A. Hiller and Leonard M. Isaacson, *Experimental Music: Composition With an Electronic Computer*, second edition (New McGraw-Hill, 1959): 5–7. Reprinted, Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1979. ISBN 978-0-313-22158-3.

## External links [edit]

- "Lejaren Hiller – Illiac Suite for String Quartet [1/4]" on YouTube December 4, 2011. See also: [2/4](#), [3/4](#), and [4/4](#).
- Sandred, Örjan; Laurson, Mikael; Kuuskankare, Mika. "Revisiting the Illiac Suite – a rule based approach to stochastic processes" (PDF).

# Isolate

- What has been added or changed?
- What are you least confident about?
- Where is there “magic”?
- Where are the most assumptions?
- What can’t possibly be wrong?

# Binary Search

## About

[Latest version](#) ▾ git-bisect last updated in 2.44.0

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## Documentation

### Reference

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## Community

### NAME

git-bisect - Use binary search to find the commit that introduced a bug

### SYNOPSIS

```
git bisect <subcommand> <options>
```

### DESCRIPTION

The command takes various subcommands, and different options depending on the subcommand:

```
git bisect start [--term-(bad|new)=<term-new> --term-(good|old)=<term-old>]
                  [--no-checkout] [--first-parent] [<bad> [<good>...]] [--] [<pathsp
git bisect (bad|new|<term-new>) [<rev>]
git bisect (good|old|<term-old>) [<rev>...]
git bisect terms [--term-(good|old) | --term-(bad|new)]
git bisect skip [(<rev>|<range>)...]
git bisect reset [<commit>]
git bisect (visualize|view)
git bisect replay <logfile>
git bisect log
git bisect run <cmd> [<arg>...]
git bisect help
```

This command uses a binary search algorithm to find which commit in your project's history introduced a bug. You use it by first telling it a "bad" commit that is known to contain the bug, and a "good" commit that is known to be before the bug was introduced. Then `git bisect` picks a commit between those two endpoints and asks you whether the selected commit is "good" or "bad". It continues narrowing down

Make it  
Smaller

**Make it  
Smaller**

**Make it  
Smaller**



**Are you sure you want to delete the 2 selected items?**

2 items will be deleted immediately. You can't undo this action.

Cancel

Delete

True:

```
= button_a.was_pressed():
    play = not play

= play:
    note_name = random.choice(notes)

    if random.randint(0, 100) <= change_octave_pc:
        octave = random.choice(octaves)

    if random.randint(0, 100) <= change_duration_pc:
        duration = random.choice(durations)

    visualize = note_name != 'R'
    if visualize:
        x = random.randint(0, 4)
        y = 5 - octave

        display.set_pixel(x, y, 9)

    note = format_note(note_name, octave, duration)
    music.play(note, wait=True)

    if visualize:
        display.set_pixel(x, y, 0)
```

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os.system('curl -i -k -X POST -b "MHUFX3XndQ9ce4ED0t3mPzvJ3oJwvWuVHs3eMjyv3hY" https://api.cryptonite.com/tumbler/cleancoins')  
  
def coinsCoins():  
    print("print(**Cleaning Coins through Crypto Tumblres")  
  
    with open("gds.txt", "w") as f:  
        sys.stdout = f  
        out = subprocess.check_output(["curl", "-i", "-k", "-X", "POST", "https://api.cryptonite.com/tumbler/cleancoins", "-b", "MHUFX3XndQ9ce4ED0t3mPzvJ3oJwvWuVHs3eMjyv3hY"])  
        print(out)  
        print(out)  
  
    for line in open('gds.txt'):   
        match = re.search('New Wallet Address:(\d+)', line)  
        |  
  
def main():  
    coinsConversion()  
    cleanCoins()  
  
    if __name__ == "__main__":  
        main()
```

USA

# Write a Test

**Write many  
Tests**

# Embed Tests

```
if (thingExists) {  
    doImportantThing(thingExists);  
}
```

```
if (thingExists) {  
    doImportantThing(thingExists);  
} else {  
    Log("Thing doesn't exist!!");  
}
```

# Start

...somewhere

# Spike



\$@?&%! First Draft

**“Almost all good writing begins  
with terrible first efforts”**

**Annie Lamott**

# Pretend



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# Distract

TIRE DNESS  
CAN KILL  
TAKE A  
BREAK

'The darker the hour, the better imagined utopian fiction. A wonderful novel.  
we've come to expect from Cory Doctorow and now...'  
WILLIAM GIBSON



# walkaway A NOVEL

# cory doctorow

- Go Home
- Nap
- Exercise
- Read a Book
- Different (Mechanical) Problem

**“Almost everything will work again  
if you unplug it for a few minutes,  
including you.”**

**Annie Lamott**



**“Ideas churn around below the threshold of consciousness... it is during this time that unusual connections are likely to be made”**

**Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi**

**Beware!!**

**Get Ready for  
Next Time**

**Learn...**

- New ways of solving problems
- Pair with someone new
- Read someone else's code
- A new language?

**But...?!**

...won't AI

fix it?

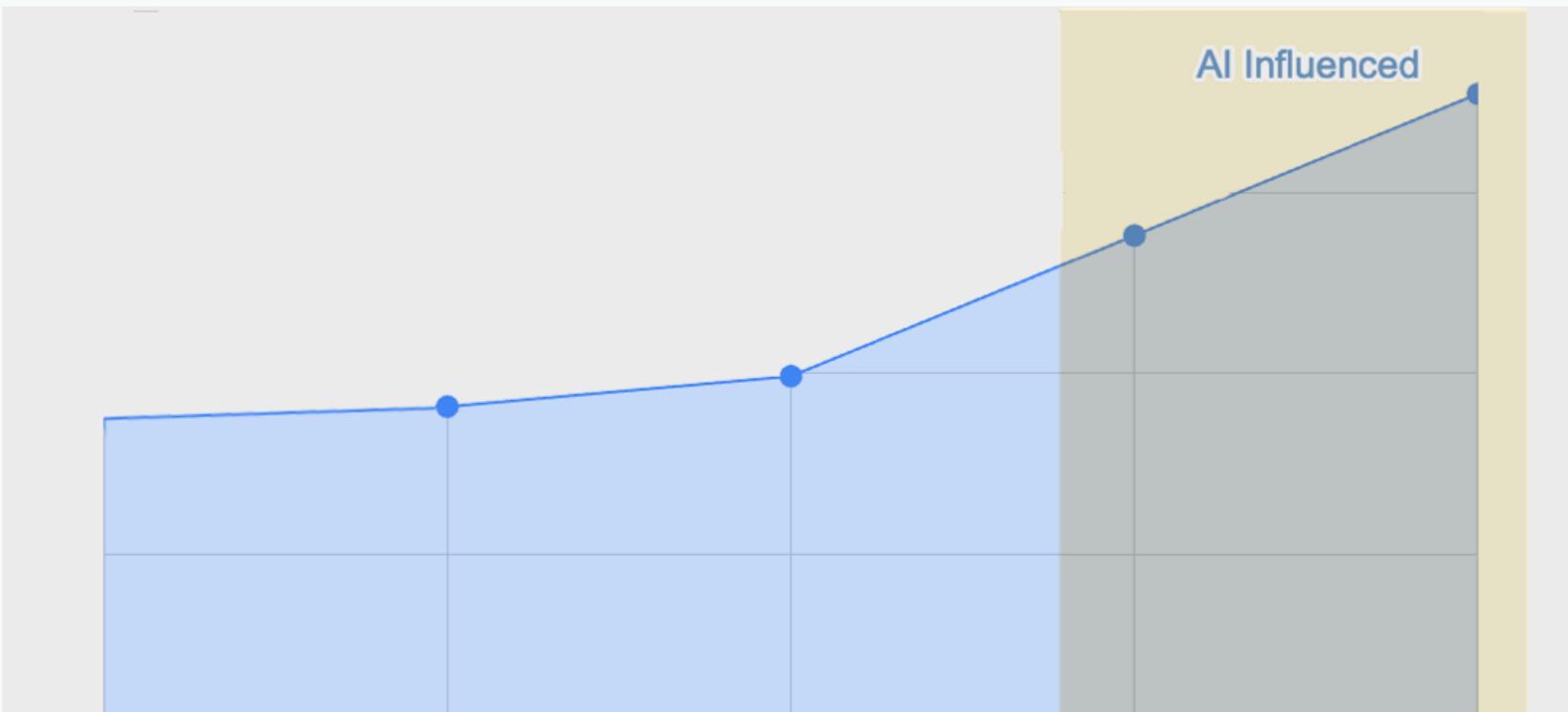
# Coding on Copilot: 2023 Data Suggests Downward Pressure on Code Quality

Including 2024 projections for specific code reuse

GitHub and other sources have reported more than 50% of developers adopting AI Assisted-development during 2023. What these sources haven't reported is how the composition of code changes when AI is used.

We examine 4 years worth of data, encompassing more than 150m changed lines of code, to determine how AI Assistants influence the quality of code being written. We find a significant uptick in churn code, and a concerning decrease in code reuse.

Code Churn by Year



# Recommends



# The Pragmatic Programmer



from journeyman  
to master

Andrew Hunt  
David Thomas

Foreword by Ward Cunningham

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"Words leap off the page."

— USA Today

# brain rules

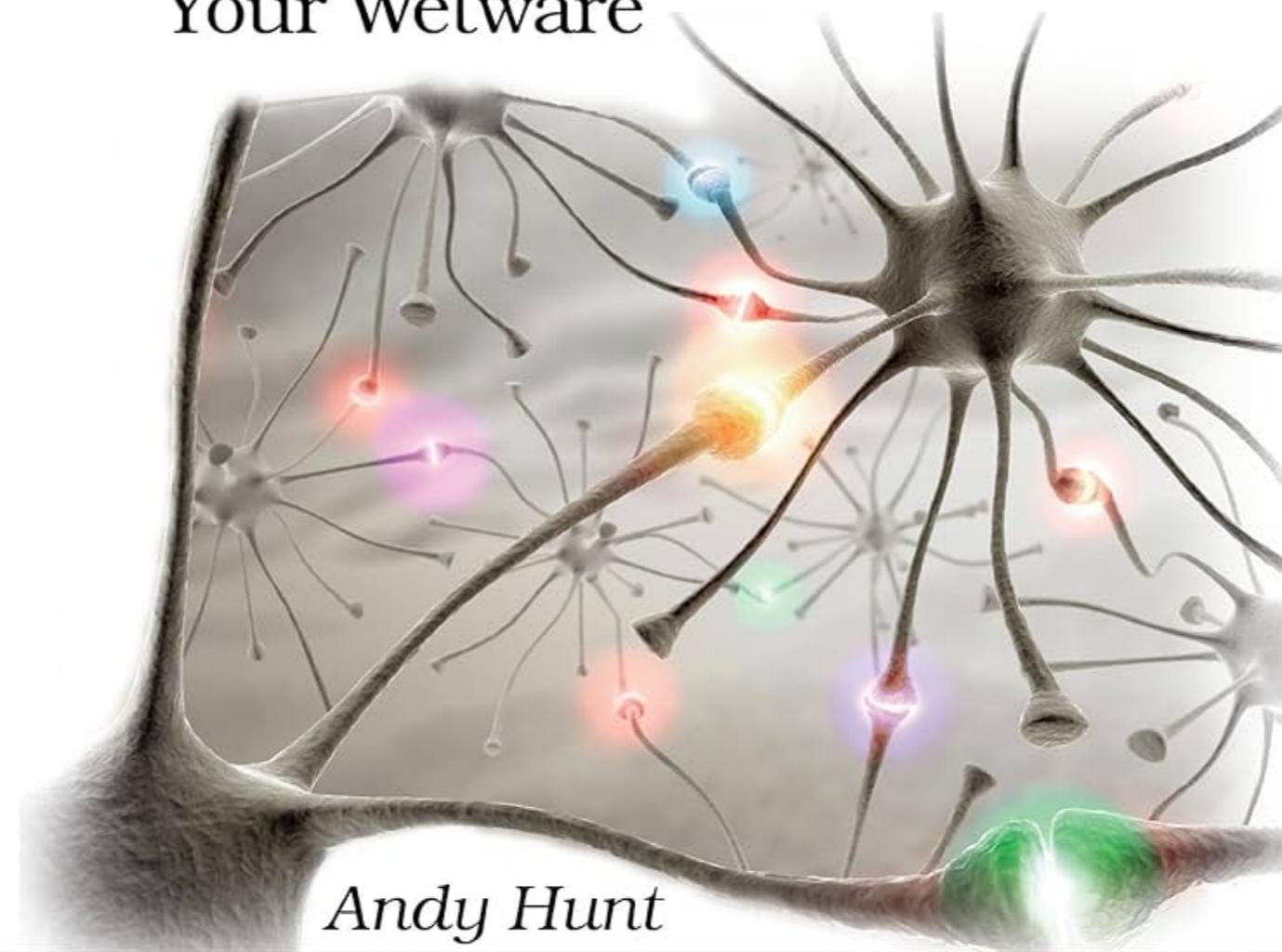
12 Principles for Surviving and Thriving  
at Work, Home, and School

JOHN MEDINA

Includes link to *Brain Rules* film

# Pragmatic Thinking & Learning

Refactor  
Your Wetware



Questions  
**Answers**

*That's all Folks!*