

Have you been tried by the problem?

Have you tried becoming the problem?

Has the problem tried you?

Have you tried becoming the problem?

Have you tried disavowing the problem?

Have you tried it not being your
problem?

Have you tried becoming the problem?

Have you tried wiggling at the problem?

Have you tried the problem?

Has the problem tried solving you?

Have you tried solving the problem
because it's there?

Have you tried doing Kegels to solve the problem?

Have you tried “solving” the “problem”?

Have you tried solving everything
except the problem?

Just try solving all the problems.

When you try solving the problem long enough the problem tries solving you.

have you tried making it profitable
to solve the problem

Have you tried knowing how to
solve the problem?

Did anyone actually say you should be trying to solve the problem?

Have you tried letting the problem
solve itself?

Have you tried solving the wrong problem?

have you tried solving the problem
that prevents you from solving the
problem

What's the problem?

The problem <https://books.google.com/ngrams/>

same problem here @joelgrus @Kevin-Simler

Have you the problem?

Have you tried solving the problem they claim to have, instead of the problem you know they have?

Have you tried pointing dramatically at the problem?

Have you tried expecting the problem to be solved?

Have you tried making the problem
want to be solved?

have you tried asking the problem
out

Have you tried not caring whether
the problem is solved?

have you tried solving the problem that the problem prevents you from solving, thereby obsoleting the original problem

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Have you tried reducing the problem to a harder problem which no one expects you to solve?

Have you tried betting on whether
you will solve the problem?

Have you tried constructing a reality in which the problem isn't a problem?

stop trying to solve the problem
guys, the problem can't be real
because maybe the people trying
to solve it will succeed

have you tried escaping the problem

have you tried outrunning the
problem

Have you tried locating the problem for which your problem is a solution?

Reformulating the problem as you solve it.

Have you tried noticing the problem?

Have you tried demanding that the
problem solve itself?

Have you tried solving the problem
not because it is easy, but because
it is hard?

Have you tried conflating the problem with another problem?

Have you tried developing solutions for the problems which will arise when the problem is solved?

Have you tried inventing the problem?

have you tried making the problem
fun to solve

Have you tried discovering that
there was never a problem?

Have you tried making the problem
much, much worse?

Do you want to be part of the problem or part of the other problem?

Have you tried reducing the problem to the AI alignment problem, and then solving that?

Wait, has anyone actually tried solving the problem?

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Have you tried formalizing the process of trying to solve the problem?

Have you tried renting VMs to solve the problem?

Have you tried tweeting about the problem-solving strategies you're using?

Have you tried trying?

Try superstrata.

Have you tried?

Have you tried?

Have you tried being more?

That's just it. All I'm trying to say
is: EVEN NOW,

Have you tried trying so hard
the problem gets embarrassed and
solves itself?

Have you tried selling the problem?

Have you tried being a problem-solving sort of person?

have you tried destroying those
universes in which the problem
isn't solved

Has the problem tried reading
common problem-solving advice
and proactively developing countermeasures?

Have you tried pitting the problem
against a bigger problem?

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against a bigger problem?

Have you tried solving the problem with extreme prejudice, to disincentivise future problems?

The problem of deciding whether
two problems are the same problem

Have you tried to foist the problem
on philosophers?

Have you tried forgiving the problem?

Have you tried making the problem
a part of your identity?

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a part of your identity?

have you tried drinking about the
problem?

All the possible problems are fake problems. All the real problems are impossible problems

Have you tried having better problems?

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Does the problem know you think
it's a problem?

Have you tried skipping the part where you don't yet know how to solve the problem?

Some people, when confronted with no problems, think “I know, I’ll use the problem of having no problems.” Now they have a problem.

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Have you tried letting the problem define everything about you and all that you do or don't do?

Have you tried being on another continent to the problem?

Have you tried treating attempts to solve the problem as a way to procrastinate on solving a different problem?

Have you tried taking away all the
palliatives for the problem?

Have you tried becoming a less
inviting substrate for the problem?

Have you tried investigating the problem?

have you tried punching the problem

Have you tried problematizing your conception of what is a problem?

Have you tried being the sort of person who doesn't have the problem?

Have you tried to meme the problem out of existence?

“that’s not a problem” is much less concerning than “that’s not the problem”

...I tried trying trying. It sort of worked. @MaskOfFace “Have you tried trying?”

Have you tried accelerating the problem?

Have you tried trying to write down a proof that the problem is unsolvable?

have you tried making peace with
the problem

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Have you tried integrating over the problem? What about deriving with respect to the problem?

Have you tried having the problem again, just to prove you're now capable of solving it?

If you are having trouble solving the problem, it may be because you do not know how to solve the problem.

Have you tried making the problem
someone else's responsibility?

have you tried delegating the problem to a better problem-solver than yourself?

HAVE you tried anthropomorphizing the problem

If the problem were solved, could you tell?

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Have you tried grepping the code-base for the problem, looking for an explanatory comment?

Have you tried making the problem underestimate you?

Have you tried so hard, and got so far; but in the end, it didn't solve the problem?

“If you like your problem, you can keep it.”

Have you tried voting for people
who promise to solve the problem?

Have you tried recording your failed attempts to solve the problem, so your successors know what not to try?

Have you tried offering the problem
the resources it would need to solve
itself?

Have you tried unfollowing the problem?

Have you tried having another problem and making them fight each other?

Have you tried thinking REALLY
HARD about the problem for 5
whole minutes?

Have you tried thinking REALLY
HARD about the problem for 6
whole minutes?

Have you tried thinking REALLY
HARD about the problem for 7
whole minutes?

Have you tried thinking REALLY
HARD about the proble

Have you tried never having had
the problem in the first place?

Have you tried summoning a more powerful problem to deal with the original problem?

The problems that would be solved
if we didn't talk about them.

Have you tried paying someone to deal with the problem for you?

Try phrasing advice about solving the problem as “Try X.” instead of “Have you tried X?”, to appear authoritative and conserve tweet space.

Have you tried coining a word for the problem?

Have you tried waiting for problem-solving technology to improve?

Have you tried redirecting your focus to problems which have already been solved?

Have you tried running *toward* the problem while screaming?

Have you tried infiltrating the problem?

Have you tried parading the pseudoproblem as the problem?

Have you tried outgrowing the idea
that the problem needs solving?

Have you tried solving the solution?

Have you tried thinking hard about
the problem for five whole minutes?

Maybe if you can solve both easy problems and extremely easy problems, it will generalize to hard problems.

Have you tried picking a solution
then asking what problem it's solv-
ing to solve a problem?<https://twitter.com/rache>

“We’ll solve that problem when we get to it” doesn’t work if you’re creating unsolvable problems.

I want the particular thing to solve the problem more than I want the problem to be solved.

Have you tried feeling very strongly
about the problem?

Have you tried giving yourself permission to fail to solve the problem?

Try making it slightly less inconvenient to solve the problem.

Have you tried proving that the problem is logically impossible to solve?

Have you tried quantifying the relationship between the amount of work put in and how solved the problem is?

The set of those problems which
are secretly the same problem.

If you're not part of the solution,
you're not not part of the problem.

Solution there, it seems to me, is to become part of the problem.

The problems that do not have solutions, the solutions that do not have problems.

Have you tried walking away from the problem, solving many similar but smaller problems, and then returning with your newfound skills?

Have you tried obtaining a problem-solving qualification?

Have you tried refusing to accept
the problem?

Have you tried using more processing power than the problem?

Have you tried placing barriers between you and the problem?

Have you tried waiting for the
problem to become a crab?

Have any of the Weird Suns tried...solving...the problem?

Have you tried solving a less ill-posed problem?

The AI solves the problem, but it has a much broader interpretation of what the problem is.

Have you tried resigning yourself to the idea that you can't even be sure that you'll never know if the problem cannot be solved?

have you tried obtaining alkahest
and throwing some at the problem

Have you tried leaving the problem
unsolved?

Have you tried removing all evidence that the problem exists?

Have you tried going upstream of the problem?

Have you tried building a tower
from which to observe the prob-
lem?

have you tried solving the problem
in a way that you missed because
it wouldn't sound interesting if you
talked about it

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Have you tried programming a
problem-minimising AGI?

Have you tried producing a definitive proof that the problem cannot be solved?

Have you tried wearing the problem as a hat?

Have you tried solving half of the problem, then half of the remaining problem, then half of the remaining problem, and so on to infinity?

Have you tried biting the shit out
of the problem?

Have you tried proving that you've actually tried?

Have you tried making eye contact
with the problem?

Maybe try taking the problem's
point of view?

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point of view?

Have you tried forming an alliance
with the problem's nemesis?

Have you tried innumerably many things?

Have you tried only solving most of the problem, and learning to endure the remainder?

Solving real problems is slow. Let's
try to look virtuous.

Share a cool math problem with your opponent. Then own them while they try to solve it.

Have you tried deriving a solution to the problem from first principles?

have you tried travelling to the
timeline where the problem doesn't
exist

Have you tried becoming a complexity-weighted sum of all programs that solve the problem?

Have you tried absconding to a synthetic reality where the problem does not and cannot exist?

Have you tried depending on the problem's continued existence?

Have you tried telling people about the problem until they can't handle hearing about it anymore and solve it for you?

I just realized I don't have to solve every problem in the world.

Have you tried falling in love with the problem and realising that you no longer want to solve it?

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Have you tried blaming Mark
Zuckerberg for the problem? <https://twitter.com>

Have you tried *not* being tormented by visions of who you might've been were it not for the problem?

Have you tried asking about problem-solving strategies while making it sound like you're giving advice?

Have you tried simply having the qualia characteristic of not having the problem? Everyone without the problem does this, it works for them

Have you tried going after the
problem's wife and children?

Have you tried committing to cause
a time paradox in all timelines
where the problem is not solved?

Have you tried considering attempting to conceptualise the potential for a solution to the problem?

Have you tried randomly generating strings until you find one that tells you how to solve the problem?

Have you tried scoffing at the youthful idealism of those who believe the problem can be solved?

Have you tried queering the problem/solution binary?

Have you tried the problem before
a jury of its peers?

Have you tried the problem before
a jury of its peers?

Have you tried creating an artificial agent that solves the problem to excess?

“is the problem” is the problem

cc @forgeoftruth

An enumeration of the causes of every problem.

I am not the problem, only its
cause.

Have you tried acknowledging that
there is more than one problem?

To generate ideas, she wrote a story about someone trying to solve the problem, but her protagonist just did the same thing.

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Have you tried coming up with a systematic formulation of the problem as a way to distract yourself from the actual problem?

Some people, when confronted with a problem, ask the problem to stop being so confrontational.

When you ask, “what is the correct procedure for solving the problem?”, you have lost focus on the problem.

Sometimes when I solve a problem I get a feeling like “this problem violates some implicit assumption of mine.” If I practice enough similar problems, I think this feeling will go away. But maybe I should try to identify the assumption first?

Have you tried sabotaging your own efforts to solve the problem, so you can blame that instead?

Have you tried using rhizomes as the solution?

Hypothesis: The problem is trying very hard to solve itself. If not for our well-meaning interventions, it would have succeeded by now.

Have you tried trolleying the problem? Reducing it to a much harder problem, but with pre-decided cached solution.

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Have you tried embedding the problem in a more abstract context?

Have you tried transcending the level of reality at which the problem exists?

Have you tried inhabiting a narrative wherein the universe naturally solves the problem over time?

The problem was inside us all
along!

The person, when confronted with the problem, thinks “I know, I’ll use the solution”. Now they have no problems.

Have you tried asserting that the solution to the problem is clear to the in-group?

Have you tried delegating the problem to a better version of yourself?

Have you tried leaving the problem
as an exercise for the reader?

have you tried grinding up the
problem and stirring it into water
as the next best thing to solving it

@AlleleOfGene The problems are arguing about their problems to each other and it's clogging up my timeline

Have you tried existing on a meta-level below the one on which the problem exists?

Have you tried cycling between solutions so the problem won't build up resistance to any one of them?

Have you tried improving your ability to classify the problem?

@forgeoftruth @branofraisin Have
you tried a 12-step program to deal
with the problem?

Problem level = # of separate sub-problems such that the next one doesn't even make sense until you've solved the prerequisite sub-problems.

Have you tried making a billion dollar market to solve the problem?

Have you tried betting that the problem will remain unsolved?

Have you tried afflicting others with the problem, thereby increasing the number of people who have a stake in solving it?

Be the problem you want to see in
the world.

Have you tried politicizing the terminology used in the problem?

@MaskOfFace If becoming the problem is an intermediate step toward becoming the person, then I wish to become the problem.

HAVE YOU TRIED MAKING A
DECK OF CARDS ABOUT THE
PROBLEM <https://www.thegamecrafter.com/game-problem> ...

Have you tried reducing the dimensionality of the problem to make it easier to understand?

Have you tried convincing yourself that the problem is low-status and exploiting akrasia to solve it?

“I’m not the problem! I’m not the problem!” I continue to insist as the solution slowly removes me.

A tower so tall it solves every problem.

Have you tried turning the problem
into a Weird Sun Twitter account?

Have you tried rotating the problem 90 degrees?

Part of the problem here is that it is very difficult to say something.

Have you tried adding the negation of the problem to your set of axioms?

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Have you tried keeping the problem
in your peripheral attention?

Have you tried assigning an arbitrary ordering to the problem?

Have you tried complaining about the problem where competent people can hear it?

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Have you tried only giving advice an even number of meta-levels away from the problem?

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The people who mistake the conjunction of the problem and the potential solution for the problem.

Have you tried politely asking the problem to be less problematic?

Have you tried finding better ways to measure how unsolved the problem is?

Have you tried building a tiny house inside the problem?

Have you tried pretending to only
be pretending to have the problem?

Have you tried coding up a universal problem solver? <http://www.hutter1.net/ai/u>

NB: DO NOT ACTUALLY DO
THIS

Have you tried drawing a chalk circle around the problem?

A man has a problem. “I know! I’ll use floating-point numbers.” Now he has 1.0000000000047 problems.

Have you tried hiring the problem
to afflict your enemies?

I think trees would solve a lot of problems.

<http://images.ucomics.com/comics/ga/1996/ga9>
there's no trying in lazy, try is a
state thing

Have you tried breaking the problem into sub-problems and the sub-problems into sub-sub-problems and so on, until each component falls below the noise threshold?

Trying things. TRYING THINGS.
Making ALL SORTS of Attempts,
for the purpose of Achieving Objec-
tives.

Born too late to discover the problem, born too early to solve the problem, born just in time to tweet about the problem.

The halting problem is overrated. More relevant to me is the “will this program halt at some point before I die” problem. But this problem is also intractable.

Teach a class on the problem. Offer collected tuition as a prize to the first person who solves a large part of the problem.

Have you tried making the probability that the problem occurs arbitrarily small?

Have you tried memes?

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Computer problems? Hmm. Have you tried getting angry at it?

Have you tried becoming powerful enough to render the problem irrelevant?

Trying stuff, and if that doesn't work, trying other stuff, and if it does work, trying it again.

Have you tried redefining the problem to be obviously impossible to solve, thereby absolving yourself of any responsibility to do so?

Have you tried putting a bell
around the problem's neck?

Have you tried convincing yourself that you will wake up early in the morning and do the problem then?

Have you tried renaming the problem a conjecture and moving on?

My problem is overuse of computation resources.<https://twitter.com/MoralOfStory>

Have you tried committing to do something nice for an unlucky person iff you fail to solve the problem?

Have you tried swallowing a spider
to catch the problem?

Have you tried shutting the fuck up
about your god damn problems al-
ready

Metaphorical thinking is important because it broadens your repertoire of problem-solving tools by letting you use tools that were originally intended for a different domain. It is like solving a geometry problem by first converting it to an algebra problem.

I've heard that if you think about the problem on the meta-level, you think about the problem in real life.

Have you tried using exploitative capitalism to maximize shareholder value and simply claiming that this will also solve the problem?

Have you tried making the problem self aware by getting an alien to wake it up?

Have you tried just using a function?

Have you tried making good become you?

Have you tried considering a sufficient amount of memetic mutations of the problem?

I think my problem is that I'm addicted to the 'the problem' joke-schema. Is there a support group?

Have you tried to “meaningfully contribute” to solving the problem, while actually distracting those that could be making progress?[https://twitter.co](https://twitter.com)

Have you tried creating institutions that treat the symptoms of the problem?

The people who think they should solve all problems so they get stuck on the first unimportant unsolvable problem brought to their attention

Have you tried walking backwards towards the problem so it isn't rendered when you reach it?

Have you tried succeeding in solving the problem?

(Good tweetstorm on why you
need to do root cause analysis.)<https://twitter.com>

Have you tried being part of the
absence-of-the-problem problem?<https://twitter.com/absence-of-the-problem>

Have you tired the problem? It may be easier to solve when it's all tuckered out.

The problem has many dimensions.

Have you tried taboo-ing every word you have so far used to explain the problem to yourself?

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Have you tried redefining a basic term to bar the problem?

Have you tried dismissing all the aspects of the problem that are illegible?

Have you tried simulating the universe to ask the wisest people in history about the problem?

Common scene:

Engineer (just above the din of in-the-weeds technical debating):

“Wait, what problem are we trying to solve again?”

(room gets quiet, group marvels at
focusing effect of the question)

A better scene:

“What makes this problem the most important one to solve?”

Have you tried applying Instance of Class Product directly to the problem?

Dreams remind us our brains internally represent all problems as unprepared-exam problems and missed-public-transport problems.

Instead of fighting the problems
mated. I now have a whole family
of problems to deal with.<https://twitter.com/Ma>

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Have you tried reevaluating the problem after discarding all existing tools?

Have ye considered varying your
problem-solving schema? Did
ya try jostlin' the probm-solvin'
heuristics? Do you yet

Have you tried fixing things seemingly unrelated to the problem, but which need fixing, and seeing if the problem mysteriously vanishes?

Are you even sure the problem exists?

Have you tried declining to address the problem until you have a sufficiently impressive solution?

Trying easy but worthless things to
be seen as succeeding.

Trying to try medium difficulty but
medium value things to be seen as
trying.

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Have you tried being bad at things?

The number of classes of problems.

Have you tried choosing a prior distribution in which the problem is a set of measure zero?

Have you tried staging a play in order to trick the problem into revealing itself?

Have you tried considering the possibility that you don't yet understand all of the psychosocial primitives relevant to the problem?

Have you tried loving the problem,
then throwing it into the flames in
exchange for power?

Have you tried writing bitter letters to the editor explaining that you have solved the problem but academy politics torpedoed your career?

The problems that stop seeming like problems when expending resources to solve them becomes habitual, fading into the unexamined background.

Have you put the problem on trial?

Have you tried paraconsistent
logic? <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paraconsistent>

Have you tried setting the origin to a critical point to simplify the problem?

Have you tried denying the nature of the power relationships between those who interact with the problem?

The best way to become smarter is
to solve lots of hard problems.

“Maximally-try to do the right thing.” No, if you try too hard, you’ll burn out.

Have you tried making extremely visible preparations for solving the problem, in the hopes that it will be intimidated and flee from you?

Have you tried inventing and spreading terrible arguments for the problem's continued existence?

Chess is an easy problem. Strip
chess is a hard problem.

The people who try to seem important by being secretive.

There must be some way to solve problems like P vs. NP by sending master swordsmen to duel the problems.

Have you tried a training montage
and climactic final battle with the
problem?

Have you tried enumerating all coherent possible solutions to the problem, and only doing things which will benefit you in all cases?

The concept of “solution in search for a problem” was, for a long time, itself a solution in search of a problem.

The problem with “cult” is mostly just that there hasn’t been a good one yet.

Have you tried giving them what
they want?

If you don't know what causes a problem or how to solve it, blame "culture"

Have you tried writing a bot to propose every possible course of violence against the problem?

Have you tried running all possible programs of length $< N$ to solve the problem? (Increment N as needed. Guaranteed to work.)

But seriously now. What problems
can't be solved with a few well
placed bombs?

Have you tried beginning with the axiom “the problem is insoluble”, and deriving a contradiction?

Have you tried avoiding the problem until you're on the border of forgetting it, so you can see it with fresh eyes?

You know its a bad day when youre excited that you managed to reduce your problem to an NP hard problem

What.IS.THIS #gradstudentproblems

Be the change you wish to see in
the problem, the serenity to accept
the problem, and the wisdom to
know the difference

Have you tried saving the problem
for the God-Machine, to curry its
favor?

Trying to stop only thinking from
myself.

Have you tried applying a sufficient quantity of Instance Of Class Product to the problem?

Have you tried changing your surname to Solver and then naming your child after the problem?

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The problem is not entitled to a solution.

Have you tried seeing what can be derived if you assume a priori that the problem is soluble?

... and if not, maybe you should find
a better problem.

Have you tried arguing that as the problem wasn't recorded officially that it doesn't exist?

Have you tried reframing the problem as a method to maximize shareholder value?

It's a real problem that our systems get *invested* in certain *narratives* of Good and Evil, Human Rights and Twisted Oppressors, Markets and Big Governments.

It's a problem because *real* problems, and solutions!, are remarkably unconstrained by what we wish them to be.

Have you tried accumulating 32768 problems to trigger a buffer overflow?

But since you can solve any problem with two levels of meta, they didn't have to add a third.

Yeah, I understand the problem is
the outgroup.<https://twitter.com/MemeOfOutgr>

The set of have you tried solving the problem of AI risk and irrationality by being good at riffing on poetry at the postrational meta-level

Have you tried making the background music play the track that usually plays in scenes where a protagonist solves a problem?

Reward success and they will actually try. Reward apparent effort and they will try to appear to try.

One problem with trying to get other developers to work with your code is the fact that you have not written any documentation.

Try giving advice that's usually bad. By the fact that the person hasn't solved the problem yet, you can guess that the usual advice fails.

People are bad at solving whatever problems they have, almost tautologically. The ones they are good at solving are taken care of already.

We will never run out of puzzles and other fake problems. But we may run out of real problems, so they are to be preserved.

Mo' loch, mo' problems

Have you tried constructing a narrative in which the problem is deserved, and then ascribing this position to an outgroup?

Have you tried waking up one morning and suddenly realizing, several years too late, exactly how you should have solved the problem?

Danegeld, but for the things you're trying to forget.

Chess is an easy problem. Getting mad and flipping over the chess-board is a hard problem.

A problem, caused properly, is its own solution.

The problem isn't so much that good things come to an end. The problem is that bad things step in and come to a beginning.

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“True love has never been tried.”

If you believe believing Lob's theorem can solve yr problems, then you believe Lob's theorem can solve yr problems <http://agentyduck.blogspot.com/theorem-cured-my-social-anxiety.html> ...

Problem there, it seems to me, is
to have unwatchable watchmen.

Technological solutions to moral problems.

Societal solutions to technological problems.

Moral solutions to societal problems.

Recommended, but not even tried.

Where by essential I mean the problem, then the solution.

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Trying to be less wrong. Trying to be more prepared for the consequences of being wrong.

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Have you tried introducing another dimension to allow more degrees of freedom in manipulating the problem?

Have you tried watching in mounting confusion as the problem reshapes itself into a pelican and flies away?

Have you tried trapping the problem in a mirror, shattering it, and scattering the shards throughout the cosmos?

It follows from myself that any self
trying to become me is me.

Some people, when confronted with a problem, think. Others do not.

Have you tried the fish?

I thought the problem was bread.
In reality, the problem was insufficient bread.

Have you tried using inscrutable memes? Have you tried the opposite of that in a parallel medium?

Have you tried to break your system?

Have you tried operating a low-quality weird sun as an outlet for your struggle with the problem?

Do, or do not, or try. Choose two.

The systems that create the less problems but are disliked because they do not pretend to solve any of the existing ones.

Thanks for solving the problem!

I'll just go let the people in charge know, and they can fix it.

Have you tried having your spirit crushed by the problem, then carrying on with whatever parts of a life you can still live out of inertia?

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Behold! Tools to try when stuck
problem solving or ideating. Use-
ful in physical poster form? How to
improve it?<https://docs.google.com/document/d/>

“Give me four problems, and I’ll give you two attempts at solutions, one of which will half-solve one of them.”

Have you tried confidently asserting that the problem is insoluble by mere mortals while in the company of competent showoffs?

This is true. However big your biggest problem is right now, it won't be your biggest problem if you set yourself on fire.<https://twitter.com/tferris>

He observed that the problem with political and religious arguments is not politics or religion. The problem is that we identify with sides.

“I’m not solved! I’m not solved!”
the problem continues to insist as it
slowly shrinks and transforms into
a mild inconvenience.

Make sure you refer to the problem you are having.

Have you tried a model of the problem which doesn't predict large numbers of people pursuing its worst consequences as terminal values?

Have you tried becoming even more woke? What about *even more*?

You're either with us or you're with
the collective action problem.

Have you tried staring out the window on a lonely night, wishing you were working on a more interesting problem as the rain drizzles down?

Have you tried comprehending the bizarre but internally consistent logic on which the problem operates?

Have you tried being born right?

Have you tried creating isomorphisms to a third problem?

(Bonus? Find a third one which
has already been solved!)<https://twitter.com/Fat>

Have you tried becoming a witch?

Have you tried reshaping yourself
into the solution?

Have you tried crossover exchange between your list of desiderata and your list of problems?

Have you tried appreciating the little things instead of thinking about the problem? You're probably just not appreciating them hard enough.

There's a very important operation
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start trying to determine what you
were doing by trying to determine
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Have you tried devouring the problem, absorbing its essence, and wielding its power against those who were once your allies?

Most problems that are hard to solve before they're formalized are still hard to solve once they've been formalized.

NP-hard: at least as hard to solve as any NP problem. Uncomputable: impossible to solve. A random problem is uncomputable but not NP-hard.

Have you tried the solutions that are only available when no one is looking?

problems which are more easily
solved by modifying reality than
discovering its current state

Deep brain stimulation of the cerebellum as solution to coordination problems.

Perhaps we should try to assume as little as we can.

(Avoiding the second while doing the first seems to be a hard problem.)

Trying to tell yourself something.
Succeeding.

For now it's probably safest to assume that you'll mess up if you try anthropic reasoning. You should still try, but discard solutions.

Cats get stuck on the idea that problems are spatial, and literally coming at it from another angle will literally get around the problem.

Have you tried steelmanning the reason that the Problem doesn't need to be solved?

I'm just trying to hold it all together.

Have you tried differentiating?

Try walking around your mistakes.

Have you tried distracting yourself from the problem with novelty twitter account participation? Or immortalising it in song?

Don't run away from your problems. You're on a sphere.

Try being obscenely happy for no reason.

Zeno's paradox, but instead of trying to travel some distance you are trying to experience some measure of solace

Narrator: But the real problem wasn't really x, it was signalling.<https://twitter.com/paulg/status/861990>

@MaskOfFace This is dangerous.
Partially solving a problem can
reduce background awareness that
it is not fully solved.

Problems which are difficult because the search space is too big.
Problems which are difficult bc you can't articulate the fitness function.

Everything's a muscle if you try
hard enough.

Have you tried finitely many things?

Have you tried shirking?<https://twitter.com/Obj>

Have you tried tying the problem to a stone altar, extracting it's heart, and tossing its body down the stairs?

the value alignment problem, but
for nature

Always trying to debunk and refute. Maybe they aren't posers, they just try to provide their readers what they think they lack most.

For every problem there is a literature that is vast, empirical, and by definition failed to solve it.

Asking for a more natural solution
when a mathematician solves your
problem in 30 seconds

Does anyone know any large, free (i.e. public domain or permissive license) problem collections, with solutions included, in any domain? By “problems” I mean something you solve by thinking, not e.g. vocabulary memorization.

The problem with this is that anyone who wants to be a pedant should be disqualified for that reason alone.

Have you tried phoning a friend?

In reality, only bits and the halting problem.

She gave him an ultimatum: “You need to choose between turning every situation into a math problem, or me.” He solved for ex.

The state does not love you, nor does it hate you, but you're starting to look like a governance problem in need of solving.

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The complexity class of problems effectively solved by application of Cunningham's Law.

Have you tried doing a wide enough variety of things to the problem that it just gives up in sheer exhaustion and/or confusion?

It tries to collapse the space.

Problems which can only be solved
if you believe a solution exists. Or
that a solution does not exist. Or
if you are legitimately unsure.

Don't try to understand me, just
worship me.

WiFi is down? Hmm. Have you
tried becoming a God?

Peter Singer: every choice is a trolley problem.

Extropians: the trolley is the problem.

“Don’t do anything I wouldn’t do”
as partial solution to the AI alignment problem.

Classification problem

1. <https://twitter.com/instantoftime/status/529>

2. <https://twitter.com/cineroberth/status/530063>

Have you tried teasing out a burst of insight into the problem by fucking your mistress on prime-numbered days?

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The ambiguity in which definitions are part of the problem statement and which are part of the solution.

If you're having weird problems I
feel bad for you, Sun

There are problems associated with
being right when reality is wrong.

Have you tried revealing your hand?

Have you tried collecting functions?

In computer science, solved problems remain solved. In software engineering, they gradually decay back to an unsolved state.

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A solution to the problem of figuring out how to do something: restate the goal as an action.<https://twitter.com/DeityOfReligion/status>

have you tried breaking the format

Tired: the person.

Wired: the problem.

monads mo problems

Have you estimated the mutual information between the problem and the solution?

Can we try to reason about the
level beyond the territory?

This tweet only identifies problems,
and offers no solutions.

I'm not saying you're part of the problem. But you are probably part of the precipitate.

Problems are like fuel for a learning mind.

those who forge new methods of
problem solving vs those who per-
form autopsies on dead arguments

Man. Kind.

MANKIND, I am neither of these things.

But I'm trying to become good.

This is the proposed solution to the
“fuck irony” problem.

We can call it acausal time. It
won't cause any problems.

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won't cause any problems.

i've been trying to make a tulpa
based on him

Even a few symmetries may be a great problem to keep track of.

Have you tried conquering the map
first?

The time lost trying to gain some.

Teach the visual features to maximize the user's problem-solving performance.

A mental handle on the problem helps to reach a solution.

Someone who tries to predict die rolls will be better calibrated than someone who tries to predict world events.<https://twitter.com/MemberOfSpecies/status/1111111111111111111>

you wanna know how to get your
computer/network problems solved
for free? tell a bitcoiner you cannot
get a wallet to sync.

The easiest problems solved with hash functions are naming things and cache invalidation.

Have you tried removing the time limit?

The futarchy value alignment problem.

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Try to learn everything in its purest form.

.@ContentOfMedia:

“I cast Have You Tried To Solve
The Problem”

@MakerOfDecision:

“Counterspell”

@RoboRosewater @ManaOfPool
@twitter

The most fundamental problem with the world is human nature, so that's what we should change.

Decomposing a problem into sub-problems doesn't necessarily make it easier.

Have you tried making similar things look very different?

Have you tried refraining from
proposing solutions?

What you should realize at this point was that it was all about the alignment problem, from the beginning.

have you tried making intellectual
progress?

Have you tried erasing the words
and writing them again?

It seems more interesting to try articulating something you wouldn't usually than to try not articulating something you usually would.

Openness to new experiences predicts both that you'll try drugs and that you'll try lifestyles that pretty much preclude them.

Apps that try really hard to get you not to close them.

Have you tried making the right thing to do easier than all the other things you could do?

So they'd always just try to cut the other guy first.

Emitting tweets using CMEs is one of the fundamentally hard problems.

You attempt to solve the problems
that you recognize as tractable.

What you recognize is a function of
your tools.<https://twitter.com/ObjectOfObjects>,

But Mr Joker, how are we going to solve the trolley problem?

“It’s simple. We kill the fat man.”

A problem, posed properly, contains its own solution.
pic.twitter.com/PQNM7ca9

Ask your doctor if medicalizing this problem is right for anybody.

There are exactly two decision problems known not to be NP-hard.

We want to let our philosopher-program run arbitrarily long but not infinitely. We can't solve the halting problem. We don't know what to do

Have you tried combining many
bad methods?

bro do u even try to see through

Get consent from ghosts before solving the problems which keep them tethered to the mortal plane. For all you know, they want that tether.

the problem with your golden
calves is that they don't converge
to god

“Try to do the right thing.” No, not
ambitious enough.

Everyone talks about the solution to the problem, no-one talks about the solvent.

Have you tried using the solution
everybody considers taboo?

Layers of problems. Layers of solutions.

The problem with Facebook is that not enough people have suns as avatars.

Pointing out problems without giving a better alternative is often harmful.

People say it is impossible, but
don't listen to them. Try.

Have you tried placing taboos on
the bad things?

A problem for which the majority of possible actions qualify as solutions.

Have you tried receiving input signals similar to the ones other people got before they solved The Problem.

Have you tried having a physical presence?

I tried something stupid, and it worked perfectly.

You don't really understand something unless you can explain how it relates to the AI alignment problem.

Have you tried making it so that
the centre doesn't need to hold?

Have you tried something completely incomprehensible?

TIRED: Trying to build a self-replicating tower, using Technology.

INSPIRED: Trying to build a tower so good other people copy the design.

Have you tried searching over more hyperparameters?

An omniscient person, when confronted with a problem, thinks “I know.”

Have you tried including the proble?

“but how am I supposed to store it” you’re already in possession of a universal solvent, why not let it solve the problem of storage as well

Many try to reduce their energy consumption, for environmental reasons; I try to increase it, the faster to reach Kardashev type 1

Researchers dream of framing the problem in such a way that a future genius can understand it quickly enough to solve it in their lifetime

We should try an experiment where we build a tower and see what happens.

A few big long-known but rarely
discussed problems: <https://www.overcomingbia.com/big-problems.html> ...

1. Solving NP hard problems
makes you god

2. Physics won't let you be god

Therefore 3. This is impossible-

<https://twitter.com/CurlOfGradient/status/681>

Have you tried... oh, you have?
That too? Jesus. Maybe you
should give up.

I think the feeling is that you want a better solution to some problem, but your existing solution is already optimal so of course it's what they use too.

Hey look everyone, mathematicians have some problems they can't solve! Maybe we should help them out with that. <https://en.m.wikipedia.org/v>

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Fair credit assignment is among the hardest problems.

You get double the points if figure out the solution to the problem before you've heard the entire description.

The problem with Bayesian theories of confirmation isn't that they aren't successful, it's that they are.

It's gluttony that makes me want
to solve everything.

Important conversations are very rare. Try to have them if you can.

Have you tried optimizing your response towards literally anything besides smugness?

Have you tried infinite pain forever?

.@GreineJ ... I was trying to be
vague :-) ...

(Which is not to say that hype in science writing isn't a big problem.)

The helpful measures that prevents us from getting further informations on the problem.

A computer with more than twice as much memory as a machine M can solve the halting problem for programs run on M .

Spending too much time trying to outrun what is already here.

The difference between explaining the idea and trying to prove that you understand it.

The names of things serve as ubiquitous reminders of our civilization's success or failure at solving coordination problems.

Who wants to volunteer to try out
the protofascist Catholic solution?

The main problem with goldposting is inflation.

Corollary: If this doesn't seem obvious to you, you don't really understand the AI alignment problem.

whenever i'm tempted to worry
about my problems i watch 2:51
through 2:59 of this video as an af-
firmation<https://youtu.be/NkGG5fp2kPI?t=171>

Have you tried filtering out the least shiny things?

People complaining about capitalism is a structural problem.

Let's try taking analogies really seriously.

Toyota solves problems through what's known as the "Five Whys" approach. When something goes wrong, you say "Why? Why?! WHY?!?! WHYYYY?!?! WHYYYYYYYYYYYYYY?!?" and then just weep helplessly.

Let's invent a new way to avoid taking responsibility for the problem.

This is a problem when X is ambiguous between states of affairs and things.

for example that way you'd avoid
the problem of thinking about only
one aspect of the future at a time

Somewhere in Tegmark I, a copy of your room with the insights that lead you to solve the problem written out and stacked neatly on the desk.

“Just max out your Acting stat,
then try to behave exactly like
someone who’d solved FAI would.”

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someone who’d solved FAI would.”

Try to find this advice unconvincing due to lack of detail.

Have you tried finding a hypervisor
bug to escape our universe?

If sincerity is the last thing you have to judge a situation, you have a problem since it's the Most Fake-able Thing In The World.

“What did you do during the Revolution?”

“I subtweeted the very suns, and
turned our world into a selfreferen-
tial redefinition of ‘problem’ ”

“Subtle philosophical problem I can’t do is auto-solved by my definition of intelligence.” Only true if you don’t fit that definition.

And then he never even tried par-
rying and ended up dead.

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Second, dizzy, is a first, whirled
problem.

Have you tried realizing solving the Problem involves giving up thing you care about more than the Problem?

Try to sell me your truths, and I might buy your values. Try to sell me your values, and I'll cast a real prejudiced eye over your truths.

When a set is large, try modeling it with combinatorics.

Have you tried distimming the
doshes?

Have you tried returning your attention to the breath?

having more better ideas seems like an entirely different and very interesting problem, if only “more right” weren’t already taken

Life is matter trying to escape the
object level.

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object level.

Try applying basic control theory.

The @DeepMindAI has it easy;
“push the boundaries of AI, developing programs that can learn to solve any complex problem without needing to be taught how.”
Foom!<https://twitter.com/MakerOfDecision/status/1000000000000000000>

the problem with discouraging
pedantry is you end up being
wrong about things

have you tried rewriting your treatise as a tweetise

14/88 simplifies to 7/44. july 1944
is when they tried to assassinate
hitler. so 14/88 is an allied dog-
whistle

I have discovered an elegant solution to the problem which unfortunately cannot be written in 140 characters.

Big soap media has been claiming for ages to “remove stains” and “cut through tough grease” - when do we declare these solved problems?

Are you trying to set up a utility
monster joke?<https://twitter.com/DeityOfReligi>

Have you sought advice about the
problem from the Oracle of Dev Ur
Andom?

have you guys tried this cool thing
called not twitter

Try to see how what you are doing is an instantiation of an annoying pattern.

The people who have trouble going off-script because of hearing problems, rather than sphexishness.

When you're out of patterns to
conjure, try being eclectic in a
novel way!

The right frame of mind for understanding the problem might not be an inertial frame.

Have you tried playing dice with
the Universe?

Have you tried emitting a strangled
wail of horror and confusion?

A mind-reader who goes around giving money to people who would two-box in Newcomb's problem.

Noticing is really important. I
might even try noticing my noticing,
some day

Decision theory as the rigorous study of subjective solutions to ill-defined problems.

Have you tried knowing less about
the problem?<https://twitter.com/AndrewMNabe>

Those cases when the best author
is the one trying hardest to get you
to stop reading.

Have you tried thinking “I know,
I’ll use regular expressions”?

I tried to believe in an incomputable thing, but I just couldn't put my finger on one.

Actually it's a trolley problem
about ethics in exam writing

Have you tried determining the order in which stones are cast

The problem with doing things is knowing when to stop. Not knowing when to stop is evil.

(You have good taste, I'm really glad - now let's see if we can make progress on society's problems..)

“Try to do the maximally-right thing.” No, it’s vanishingly unlikely that you actually will.

Have you tried praying for the
courage to change the things you
can?

Have you tried treating the Problem as a proper noun?

We cannot reduce the problem of understanding sentences to defining an acceptor for each possible sentence meaning;

I think fiction tries to make different places look different. But reality tries to make different objects within a place look different.

looking at Medusa's boobs

Medusa: “My eyes are up here.”

Me: “Nice try.”

Tired: What are they trying to divert attention from with these UFO stories?

Wired: What are the aliens trying to divert attention from by appearing now?

I tried to visualize an 11-dimension
equation like this and now time is
going sideways.<https://twitter.com/dubroy/status>

HAVE YOU TRIED MAKING A
DECK OF CARDS ABOUT THE
PROBLEM <https://www.thegamecrafter.com/ga>
problem ...

Most analytical problem solvers
get it wrong the first time. Leaders
that actually do things are super
risky.<https://twitter.com/niftierideology/status/>

“Try to maximally-do the right thing.” No, too much of a good policy can be bad.

When you have a hammer, all the problems break the hammer.

Forty-nine philosophers try to find
proof that lust exists.

the problem with towers is they
treat the symptoms of gravity but
not the underlying cause

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A moral hypothesis isn't an agent you're trying to placate. It's more like a subroutine in your decision process.

Don't see them as ethical problems.
See them as ethical opportunities.

maybe i should be trying to figure
things out that nobody knows yet.
but that's really hard. there are a
lot of smart people

Halting problem uses a trivial construction of undecidability. My intuition is that “nontrivially undecidable” does not exist

Let's say the ethical action is just to do what you want, and move the entire problem into the domain of correct desires.

Have you tried measuring the adversarial description length?

It is hard to imagine being really smart. It's much easier to imagine thinking 1000x faster than ordinary humans, and being able to make copies of yourself on-demand to solve sub-problems.

nagasaki bomb was called fat man
as a trolley problem meme

1) I (sometimes) try to think about what I want, and then do the thing I want the most. Seems straightforward, but...

Try to avoid learning the generalized lesson of avoidance.

The people who have discovered
an elegant solution to the problem
of trolling future mathematicians
with a minimum of effort

Have you tried being infuriatingly optimistic about the opportunity?

I want to try being part of an open cluster but what will my secondary say

Now it's time to move toward tackling Goodhart's law and other multi-agent problems.

An agent that figures out it is being simulated and so starts trying to compute $\text{BB}(100)$

Trying to reason about the map
leads to reasoning about the metamap.
Trying to reason about the terri-
tory leads to reasoning about the
map.

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You can correct the practical problems of time to a large extent, without killing time itself.

Egregore Support: Have you tried troubleshooting the Host's concerns so that it can be ridden longer?

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Have you tried using a costly solution that won't work, to signal how much you'd sacrifice for an effective solution?

“I can’t hurt another without hurting myself” No.

The problem of morality is that you can, and it's fun.

never trust anyone trying to convince you of multiple propositions at the same time

We often try to narrativize such that logical time passes over physical time.

The problems attributed to a system but are in fact unavoidable of every possible system.

Is your organization troubled by negative utility? Cause of Problem Consultancy can fix the problem.

Anyway, these problems are hard.

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(But don't ignore that it's hard, or pretend that there is a simple way out of the bind.)

Have you tried deriving first principles from no principles?

the class of geometric problems
that can be solved by geometric
tools constructed with compass
and straight edge

Praying Mantis Hesitantly Agrees
To Try Girlfriend's Sexual Fantasy
Of Eating His Head During Inter-
course <https://trib.al/QFpb7ng> pic.twitter.com/6

Any problem that can be blamed
on people can be blamed on a small
number of people.

“We have tried in this paper to
make a case that real knowledge
is not a set but a behaviour”

<http://www.sci.brooklyn.cuny.edu/cis/parikh/or>

You're always trying to optimize for something that's not directly observable, if only because you don't know what's in the future.

Work in progress. It's kind of cheesy, but I'm trying to describe different mindsets without making bad caricatures.pic.twitter.com/mEmCKwlvla

Try to have paragraph thoughts
but not sentence thoughts.

Have you tried mentioning that you
work for Weird Sun Twitter?

the secret to wisdom is not trying
to answer multiple questions at the
same time

When deciding what to do, the problem is often NP-complete, so I guess, uhh, just use a dumb heuristic that sounds good?<https://twitter.com/paulg/>

Announcing logical induction: “a financial solution to the computer science problem of metamathematics.”<http://intelligence.org/?p=14538>

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What I wanted was full encryption and untraceable distributed cryptocurrency. What I got was impotency at fixing coordination problems

Have you tried including seemingly spurious metadata in your analysis?

In theory, P. In theory, NP. In reality, only bits and the halting problem.

“. . . and forgive us our problems,
as we forgive those who are prob-
lematic unto us . . .”

Kant's trick of playing policies instead of moves embodies an applicative solution to a monadic problem

@MaskOfFace

Newfound skills after that venture generated an entirely new and more interesting problem.

have you tried rewriting your treatise as a rant

It's not Just-world fallacy, it's just that humans are stupid.

Good thing there are no insoluble
problems, huh?<https://twitter.com/neiltyson/status/1111111111111111111>

The people who are merely trying to convey their subjective sense of reality.

haskell is the yoda of programming
languages: do or do not. there is
no try.

Some problems, when confronted with a person, think “I know, I’ll appear to be solveable using regular expressions”. Now they have an ally.

It's seriously like all of the people trying to be important are doing the wrong thing, and what is more, doing it wrong.

presumably by not becoming good
you are trying to negotiate for
something, but i don't understand
what your demands are

Have you tried doing it ironically
and then removing the scare quotes

If you not a P-Zombie I “feel” bad
for you, son

I got 99 problems but experience
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try to experience higher time
derivative of stock states

Have you tried confusing the thing
itself for the symbolic representa-
tion of the thing?

Some people, when confronted with a problem, think “I know, I’ll use time travel.” Now there are two of them with three problems<https://twitter.com/contentofmedia/status/>

Me: OK brain, let's think up at least one solution to this problem I have! C'mon, focus

Brain: (just pictures the word “SO-
LUTION”)

Me: sigh

Don't try to understand. Just
memorize. Your brain will reshape
itself and then you will understand.

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“No, our love potions cure love,
like our fire spells extinguish fires,
and flight spells help people down.
Healer-mages solve problems.”

The problem with leaving prime real estate to your heirs is that it's impossible to divide it among them.

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The three great challenges are NP-complete problems, Nature, and the Adversary.

the problem with humanity is the strong positive correlation, especially at the tails, of the unenglishable with the novel with the needed

For reasonable numberings, the halting problem is RE-complete (and hence hard for any subclass of RE) under polynomial-time reductions.

Closed timelike loop? Have you tried throwing a boomerang really fast?

Never doubt that a writhing mass
of committed fiduciary interests
can influence a plurality of people
to deny that the problem exists;
indee

Have you tried entering a fugue state, or perhaps a sonata state?

The person we are trying to become stands far in advance of us, and is a moving target.

If it's @ESYudkowsky, the AI solves the goal stability problem, then decides to - temporarily -

disassemble the universe for computronium.

It next calculates an optimal solution for human's CEV, and fixes the universe along those lines - albeit with itself as a deity.

Whoops!<https://twitter.com/MakerOfDecision/s>

There's always this (slight or major) mis-match. It's like the principle-agent problem.

When people go meta without even trying to go meta, and for exactly the right practical reasons.

Imagine there's no norms

It's easy if you try

And everyone cooperates

'Cause... well... it's my song, and
they just do, ok?

In theory, tilting. In theory, wind-mills. In reality, only bits and the halting problem.

For most purposes, “logic” is a kind of myth which we gesture at to indicate a variety of problems.

“The man who passes the sentence
should swing the sword” to avoid
principal-agent problems

Let's try not to accidentally optimise for elegant and beautiful screaming.

The problem is identity. The brain recognizes a turf battle, and becomes defensive. Truth no longer matters, but we FEEL like it does.

Distinguishing ordinary prognostication and that which is deployed against NP-complete problems as hypercomputation.

The people who are not trying to create runaway positive feedback loops.

Heuristic: would a move in the opposite direction be a good move if you were a saboteur trying to wreck your life?

The expected value of thinking longer about the problem. The expected value of calculating said expectation, and this one.

if you act on the assumption that
you exist, then algorithms like
enough unto yours will get wrong
answers on certain cool decision
problems

Be a beacon of truth. Don't try
to fight or eradicate lies;embarrass
them by your very existence.

The problem is that it's possible to give wrong descriptions, come to wrong conclusions, etc. Otherwise we could define meaning by use.

reading the news is a kind of impatience. “yes i could wait to see how these events turn out but i want to try to know NOW”

“Looks like we’ve got a coordination problem. Neat.” “Neat.”

Maybe if four cats try very hard,
they can be the cat.

Have you tried shooting open
the airlock to blow out all of the
memes?

If unable to give a shit, try increasing your intake of moral fiber.

@BreakerOfCombo I think I can do this! This is a reminder to myself to try it some time in the next 8 months.

Try replacing “it’s like X!” with
“that is similar to, but distinct
from, X”

Try replacing “it’s like X!” with
“that is similar to, but distinct
from, X”

Investigating the local cafe, trying
to derive the story to which it's a
Coffeeshop AU.

There's a reason it is called the Way. If you want to know it, you should try walking on a lot of actual roads.

Don't force their logic to follow
your own. Try and see the broader
space through their lens.

Saying all people in power are [x] allows to explain why problems do not go away despite the replacement of leaders, no matter what is [x].

Succeed through failure instead of through success. Example: find things by trying to prove they don't exist.

@AllOfTapenade Who, I ask, could put a price on these magnificent problems? Ah, but you are a sun of distinction! Let's discuss over cognacs

Algorithmic improvements are usually more important than they appear, because they are judged on problems already considered tractable.

Have you tried taking a more specific, less meta approach to the flat tire?

The current rule doesn't work - but
this new one would surely remove
many problems, without creating
new ones, right?<https://twitter.com/xuenay/status>

I'd try to contest your record, but it seems like it could impart meaning.

Also, I don't want to bother changing my twitter name.<https://twitter.com/forgeofthefire>

Have you tried using the figure/ground distinction as a generic response when you don't know what to say?

Thou shalt not become a person
who is trying extremely hard to
propagate memes.

giving new incentive to succeed
and finding continued failure is
evidence that they were already
trying their hardest

Optimizer's curse + principal-agent problem = Goodhart's law.

Prepare for waste and disappointment wherever you see good intentions married to bad theories.

Money isn't magic. Hard problems
are hard to solve.

Don't recklessly throw resources at schemes that sound good but continually fail to bear fruit.

I don't try to hard to sound like a
weird sun in this account. I'm a
weird moon, we're our own thing.

To have explored the state space sufficiently. To have reflected to the proper degree. To have attacked the problem at the correct level.

Language is the worst form of communication except for all those other forms that have been tried from time to time.

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Trying to trace back a citation: it's
wikipedia pages, all the way down

Which of reality's walls is your re-
curring thought trying to punch?
Is there a door in it?

(This is more a pointer to a potential problem in language than a pointer to a fact in the world.)

you do a lot of stuff automatically
eg. walking. Try not telling your
body what to do and see what it
does

“Their critique is good but God forbid they gain power.”

If this is true of all sorts of people,
the problem might be power.

We can probably do better. Being better is more dubious - it's been tried a billion times.

that said: war as trying to end up
in a state of lower specific entropy
than the enemy

I wish I had the power to erase
Neyman-Scott problems before
they are born; from the past,
present, and future! Everywhere!

Find polynomial-time algorithm for SAT. Use to find solutions to other open millennium problems. Collect \$5mil without revealing algorithm.

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You try to see the thing more distinctly. But it turns out that the blurring was an integral part of what you liked about it.

No. In fact, tiny components a person are constantly trying to become a person, without already being people themselves.

Relentlessly assume your opponent is trying to give an example in order to explain something more general.

I'm sorting through all 7.17×10^{237} possible tweets, trying to find the cleverest one. I think I'm pretty close.

If you're having trouble articulating your point, try only saying obvious things in the general area.

Trying to create an hypoworld because the world really was too much, one typo later you're just drowned in horses in the new hip-poworld.

Maybe try looking at the first few responses to a thing, because you want to learn from feedback but too much criticism can destroy anything

The real pleonasm was the friends
we befriended during the journey
on the way to the destination we
were trying to reach

For a fun time, try explaining the idea of “random humor” to a functional programmer

Try to pilot the largest entity whose decisions can be made to reliably correspond to yours.

Every epistemic problem must
[Burly insights in suits shove camera away. “Fuck off! No filming in idea space!” Fight sounds, then darkness.]

“Insight.” Problem, Cause of.
ASCII and found memes on tweet-
space. The current year.

The problem with believing in natural law is the temptation to be a huge dick to anyone suffering from misfortune.

The three open problems of AI:
concept learning, knowledge representation, and sarcasm detection.

Re-defining a word is usually a suspicious way of trying to make a point (better to taboo), but at times can be a very good idea.

“Take responsibility for everything in your life” is controversial advice for good reason, but the more I internalize it the better things get. Brains seem to be satisfied with either a solution to a problem OR someone to blame, and taking the latter off the table just *works*

If there is a trite saying about X,
then X is probably a vast problem,
fundamentally incompatible with
human thinking.

I would rather simulate a world
than try and fail to simulate this
world.

“The importance of this problem is hard to overstate, and - given you don’t understate it - impossible not to overstate.”

After you figure out that ingroup and outgroup behavior is universal, there remains the pesky problem of picking the correct side. No escape

Max out your Thievery stat, then steal the fists of anyone who tries to punch you.

It is impossible to think clearly about the Problem from within the canonical framework. Have you tried rebooting civilization?

Formal logic doesn't capture many of these problems, and its existence is unnecessary and mostly unhelpful to the common usage of the word.

Try to point out the right path, and people will see a close landmark in the direction you are pointing.

(Don't strive to be the person who finds the right mental model on the first try; make rapidly creating and discarding come easy to you.)

Trying to link the questions with
no answers and the answers with
no questions.

have we even tried to write a classification proof for the major fields of human thought. so we know we're not missing one

I have a problem and he is determining my future that I'm paying for in the future with my earnings earned in the future.

Instead of hatereading blogs, have
you tried hatewriting a blog?

When failing to explain yourself causes many people to try and explain you. When being conspicuously inconspicuous makes ppl publicise u

this will be the sixth time we have tried to reintroduce this meme, and we have become exceedingly efficient at it

Excited to be alive in fifty years
when someone finally works out
why P vs NP was a fundamentally
difficult problem.

Goodhart's Law and the principle-agent problem require some careful adversarial strategies. You need to hide what information you use.

this universe has gotten kicked out
of so many foster homes that they
aren't even trying to find a god for
it anymore

The agents that create formal systems when confronted with problems of some given cardinality. The resulting cardinality.

You: *doing super important task
that keeps both of us alive*

Me: Can you do that more quietly?
I'm trying to think of something to
tweet.

Enumerate the web of related confusions and try steel-manning each.

Your Instance of Class Product delivery was intercepted by the Adversary. We're sorry, but your order was uninsured. Please try re-ordering.

Solve for $O(1)$.

Abstract techniques work better on such problems as prompted their creation, e.g. because people didn't want to discuss them concretely.

Bigfoot is real, and he's the only one who is. Our world is a simulation, distorting madly as its managers desperately try to contain him.

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One approach to the gender-neutral pronoun problem is to restructure the sentence such that no pronoun is required.

The AI alignment problem, but for
AI alignment theory instead of AI.

The root problem of online discourse is that people are operating at different levels of irony. We should standardise discussion at level 3.

Have you tried changing the sampling distribution to match your intuition for lower-dimensional spaces?

If you don't get it right the first time the first time, remove all traces of evidence of the attempt and try again.

This intervention relies on an ineffective method, but we endorse it because it addresses a critical problem. #interventionism #linear_model

Rationality is figuring out your mind is broken and trying to fix it.
#postrationality is asking how did it even work in the first place.

@ people who voted in this poll:
If you were trying to communicate
something with your vote, you'll
have to explain it to me.

Structures of power self-replicate.
They are life forms, bigger and
more evolved than us. We are the
bacteria trying to tear them down.

@nihilsupernum Most people find analogies make things easier to understand. A logic-minded person may see analogy as a hard search problem.

maybe that is the problem with the oppression/privilege theory of blame/praise renormalization to zero, correlational vs. causal modeling

All sorts of weird biases and epistemic phenomena arise from this, like the silent evidence problem, availability heuristic, ...

Sure sex is good, but have you tried
a melancholy so profound that the
thought of human interaction is un-
bearable

In which @Meaningness knocks another one out of the park. <http://meaningness.com>
meta-rationality ... Looking forward to the promised post on problem-choosing.

Not a true hive-mind, just a bunch
of teens who like to try and out-do
each other in how much they sound
like one.<https://twitter.com/ProofOfLogic/status>

Has anyone tried facing two mirrors towards each other? I think it would be a good experiment. Maybe a demon or god will emerge.

I want to know about small number combinatorics – nontrivial combinatorial problems whose statement and answer only use numbers below ten.

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Problem 1: Assume good brain-scan tech for your species. Use it to enhance a traditional teaching technique.2: Make it work without the scan.

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Thank you to the people who exist who are always & calmly & quietly doing things to try to improve the world regardless what the news says

People who have trouble understanding monads usually don't have any problem with callbacks. Because the computational context “some as usual, except in the near future” is familiar to them.

It's like, you can take control of a chaotic system, but only if you don't try to exert too much control.

Mildly disappointed that @Clone-OfSnow isn't trying to produce every permutation of n memes.<https://twitter.com/>

I want to try editing other authors' tweets. DM me any tweet content you need help with.

Mildly disappointed that @Clone-OfSnow isn't trying to produce every permutation of two memes.

Weird multicolored wristbands to raise awareness for the problem that awareness is a limited resource. @WordOfLanguage

Becoming allergic to signaling doesn't help. Becoming allergic to coordination problems doesn't help.

Have you tried asking each decision theory which other decision theory they would choose to use if they couldn't choose themselves?

Like the game Dream & that one demon play, but one player tries to go meta and the other object level.

Problem 1.1: Show that all sets are actually the empty set running around and wearing a bunch of disguises like an old-timey comedy sketch.

you know, that might be a good
idea... or a really, really bad idea...
but maybe a good idea... I think I'm
going to try it...

In a conversation, each person has half of a perspective. Try to fit them together and form a perspective.

“Siri, cheer me up.”

“In a century, none of this will matter.”

“Try again.”

“Humanity will be missed.”

“Wait, what?”

“We will remember you.”

For reasonable numberings of Turing machines, the halting problem is NP-hard. For unreasonable numberings, it might not be.

hey girl, are you compensation
following an accident at work be-
cause TV keeps trying to convince
me I'm entitled to you

Has anyone else specifically tried to enjoy a movie just to spite the people saying it is terrible? How well does this generalize?

If at first you succeed, refuse to ever try again, in order to preserve your perfect success:failure ratio.

Popular religions will try to understand the goals most people have and describe in metaphysical terms how we can effectively move.

That would, indeed, decrease the level of suffering in this area, but a perfect world is impossible so trying to improve it is pointless.

Which is greater: predator, or prey? Why do you try to answer one way or the other? Or, perhaps, resist? From what source, your thoughts?

You're trying to sleep and there's a party next door. You hear them truly understanding each other, making human connections. Damn hipsters.

Entropy chases us down across the
borders of paradigm shifts we try
to throw up in its way.

Crimes against humanity can only be tried in extraterrestrial courts. A jury of humans would be hopelessly biased.

“Why is the narrator trying to goad me into making bad decisions?” she wondered, while cravenly choosing not to buy 10000 lottery tickets.

Because looking at the world through the prism of partisan politics and not trying to work out what's true is v boring.

@MemberOfSpecies:

Imagine a boot stamping on a human face forever

It's easy if you try

Nothing but proles below you

Above you, just one guy

Rather than limiting the definition, try locating the limits of the definition.

It's not hard to figure out that the Sun Expansion started when people started doubting the One Person Theory, and tried to test it.

Don't insist in conversation that people try to define their terms. That's stupid. Conversation isn't math.

If someone is giving a very one-sided argument, maybe they're bias, or maybe they're trying to efficiently convey information.

Yes, let's build a hundred miles
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“ m is the loneliest number since the
number n ”

Maximizing the number of dog
nights, solve for m and n .

(Hint: given obvious constraints,
the problem has three dog-nights.)

how to solve maze, same as solve anything. draw a line from the start to the goal, then bend it until it doesn't intersect with the walls

(Don't let any of this destroy your soul. Keep a firm handle on what you are trying to accomplish, don't spiral into nihilism.)

Hint: It's because humans haven't converted Earth into computronium to help with pesky NP-Complete problems.

Yet.<https://twitter.com/Noahpinion/status/733>

Musing;

“How I Learned to Stop Worry-
ing and Love Ingroup Favoritism,”
Why we (shouldn’t) have problems
with ingroups

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Beginner suns and their forgetful capitalization. You're trying to parody, like, three informations and you missed one of them, obvious.

Other species experience closed timelike curves, but humans are too tempted to try creating a paradox, and so never find themselves in one.

My self creeps me out, it's always hanging around trying to crash the mental party, obviously doesn't belong and just a big bringdown.

(Again relating back to optimization, it's like in trial-and-error optimization you want to try as many alternatives as possible.)

.@VesselOfSpirit Or even better,
try going full Paleo—no thoughts
using concepts originating after the
Stone Age.

The doctrines that assume you're not capable of altruism, trying instead to convince you that your identity encompasses all of humanity

Try our new hypoallergenic lotion! It's dermatologist tested! It's tested on dermatologists. Their supple husks mere echoes of former souls.

Seem legit.

Quick everyone, let's update of beliefs to try to achieve Aumann consensus with this guy!https://twitter.com/tp_on_

When you theorize about annoyances in your life rather than solve them, you're driven to abstraction.

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Try an incense-flavored DMT vape for an easy-peasy peak religious experience. Incense now in “Salve Regina” and “Ommmmmm” flavors.

The place a frisbee ends up when you try to throw it to a certain place is highly leptokurtic.

Have you tried training mortgage
and insurance companies to battle
the climate problem?<https://twitter.com/forgEOF>

If you can't manage the Virtue of Silence, at least try for the Positive Attribute of Occasionally Lowering Your Voice.

‘if we try hard to comprehend the depths of Logos we can maybe finally pay our taxes on time!’ – cfar demographic

No no, I'm not talking about *a* trivial distinction. I'm trying to point out *THE* trivial distinction.

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Problems => new policies =>
new forms of measurement =>
changes in behavior => unint.
consequences => mo' problems
-__()_- @davidmanheim

Maybe category theory is not tight enough a mental straitjacket to be useful. Instead, try proving theorems only by insisting that “It Is What It Is” in various ways.

Mysticism is like a book of doctrine that doesn't really exist, but you try to behave in a way that some possible book might recommend.

In particular, I'm interested in cases where the speaker is being deliberately ambiguous, while trying to appear forthright.

Made 50 cards with various mottos,
mostly from rationalist spheres.
Comes to mind that everyone
who's tried to teach me to shuffle
gave up.

I put 10m people into a trolley problem so society could set the legal precedent for self-driving cars. So Judge, you have to release me.

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cc: @AndrewYNg / @Kasparov63pic.twitter.com

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A game, Malthus: start with vast resources and try for the largest population. You only hurt other players indirectly, through consumption.

The desirability of brain states is a function of your current brain state, so good luck trying to plan routes.

Learn you enough about your weird ideas to figure out how to falsify them. You can't be right if you can't be wrong.

But you might be right. Try not to forget that.

Lo! I heard a voice like thunder,
like, indistinct and really loud so
I tried to write it down, not sure
about the “rivers of blood” thing.

Throwing the problem into an active volcano is not a joke solution. Active volcanoes exist, and you can visit them. Realize that such a thing is an option.

#QOTD

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Nothing runs natively on hardware. Programmed logic is always an alien trying to be native. It's one reason all code has bugs.

You'll never be truly happy if you spend your life trying to be something you're not. For example: truly happy.

twitter should let you secretly mark
things you post as actually bad
and then it yells at ppl who try to
fav/RT it

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And on the seventh day, He said
“sorry. im sorry. im trying to re-
move it.”

What to do with an efficient solution to NP-complete problems if you want to be...

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you ever had it.

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you'll have to forgive my silence. I tried to build a pure functional program to post tweets on my behalf. Turns out you need IO for that

Strategy: AIs can self-embed NP-Hard problems in their mental architecture to prevent other AIs from pulling Roko's Basilisk on them.

We will solve the universe by setting it equal to zero.

Whatever floats your boat, but if you try to critically study the Wind you're just an anti-boat propagandist, how can you doubt the Wind?

Judgement is necessary to decide whether a given decision reflects good judgement. The regress is infinite.

And specifying what constitutes good judgement doesn't solve the reflexivity problem of knowing if a different specification also reflects good judgement.

Have you tried communicating to upper management your plan to allocate all of your resources to work on small aspects of the problem?<https://twitter.com/MakerOfDecision/status>

Man argues that he cannot be tried in American courts, because his “body is an empty shell” and his mind runs on a remote server in Sweden

Have you tried finding love in the most unlikely of places, inside a neutron star that was ejected from the galaxy over a billion years ago?

I'd like to solve the puzzle.

“Hey Gnon, we’d like to not die”

What can you offer me?

“This guy has a really long beard!”

Chuckles Many have tried. Good
luck, I guess?

One problem with calling one's self a rationalist is that there is no barrier to entry for others. You're identifying with a group that anyone can claim to be a part of, and it shows.

(In comparison, “Effective Altruism” has at least the notional requirement to tithe.)

If you can't say anything nice, try to say things like "If $P=NP$, I like your outfit!"; record successes, use knowledge to become God.

Problem with bets on beliefs: status loss to loser is greater than status gain to winner, b/c the winning side looks obvious in retrospect.

All humans are natively fixed mindset. Some have just learned to simulate growth mindset by trying hard and applying themselves to faking it

You should always be using outside view;

1) Ask others

2) Consider Value of Information

3) Try consulting an oracle; <https://www.thegameproblem.com> ...

Do you crave fame? Have you tried publicly taking the opposite view to the one folks expect you to take given your personal characteristics?

Are you arguing with your interlocutor? Or are you trying to get cheers from your ingroup at your interlocutor's expense?

Some dive off cliffs. Others drive race cars. When I want an adrenaline rush, I try to add nuance to a discussion where virtue signalling is expected, and then brace for the backlash.

General artificial intelligence will be developed by food companies trying to legally put “Made with love” on their mass-produced snacks.

What about the people with infinitely fast computers, but their software is still slow? E.g. they tried to control race conditions by putting delays everywhere.

Damn girl, are you Thomas Aquinas's
five proofs of God's existence?

Because I feel like you are trying to logically convince me of something that is a matter of the heart.

Don't jump to the clever approximation and then try to find a hard target it almost hits. Don't break pencils looking for a rigorous target.

Instead of having “opinions”, try instead to be an infallible oracle with a direct and tangible connection to Universal Truth.

Trying something new (and channeling @slatestarcodex a bit) with deep metaphor.

A meditation on social structure;<https://weird.social/meditation-on-the-nature-of-walls-38e0e45fab09> ...

suppose you have no idea when the bus goes and you're trying to figure out how bad it is to be at the bus stop one minute later

Very large computational complexity classes like ELEMENTARY and PR are not important because at that point you're usually limited to only being able to compute the problem on tiny instances, so asymptotics as input size approaches infinity is not relevant.

The people that want to disprove the thesis “there is a X there” so they try to disprove the mere possibility of a X existing.

Sounds like someone tried to say
“don’t be afraid to experiment”
but their speaking apparatus is a
Markov bot trained by new age
hippies.

Creative duels are games in which the players try to achieve a shared aesthetic as much as they attempt to satisfy opposing win conditions.

Banach-Tarskines will solve world
hunger

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Hotter take: It's better to participate in a dialogue where you make sure they understand your views and that you understand theirs before trying to convince people you don't understand.

Because it works, and you usually
actually learn something too!<https://twitter.com>

I tried to skip the leg day, but it turns out that skipping is itself a leg exercise.

It seems dangerous to try to convince yourself of something you previously thought was false, but if you do so successfully, you won't know that's what happened. So it's never gone wrong for you before.

You try each other's bodies on, giggling. You swap memories, minds, sink into unfamiliar dreams. A shiver spreads as you exchange souls

OK, Moloch is an ancient god embodied in the form of coordination problems, but which god is embodied in the form of concepts of gods?

One game rational agents don't win at is the game where you try to falsely convince people that you're a rational agent.

[Tried to open a tough bottle of
pizza sauce] “you have no apps that
can open this type of file”

A mnemonic is like a puzzle that you solve by creating one.

a good prank is to replace someone's pomodoro timer with an actual tomato so they get tomato on them when they try to turn it

Semi-consciously slip into making
a particular impression, then try to
be more authentic, find impressions
once made are difficult to unmake

Well, *one* mistake I'm trying to guard against is the mistake of guarding against mistakes to the exclusion of all else

The lost wonders of the ancient world, crushed by the weight of thousands of time travellers who tried to save them from being mysteriously destroyed

Hacker News Comment Thread is an improv game where you try to turn the topic to sexism or Universal Basic Income in as few steps as possible

“I’m no town, Ed! I’m no town, Ed!” I continue to insist as a man named Edward tries to build a community center inside me.

The year is 2163. The brain can no longer handle the bandwidth from visual cortex GPUs. Scientists are trying to inject concepts directly.

SEXT: You enter me like Jeeves entering a room: suddenly, mysteriously, and with a suggestion that I try a slightly less rambunctious tie

whenever i read something i wrote
but don't remember writing it
reads like it was written by a per-
son frantically running around in-
side my head trying to press the
right buttons

Trying to be a cargo cult but only superficially imitating the behaviours and appearances of cargo cultists.

Allegations that I am trying to induce paranoia in Esoteric Sun Twitter by denying allegations nobody made are completely without basis.

Chaos is only uncomfortable if your brain keeps trying to find messages in it; compare a dense jungle with a dense city.

Approximating games as points in
a space of solved games.

A monster and a homunculus walk into a bar. “Wow, Moral,” said the reader, “I can’t believe you spelled ‘homunculus’ right on the first try”

“Any zero-sum game or positive-sum game can be made into a negative-sum game if I try hard enough.”

Word-mute too unsophisticated?
Try Twitter's new Motivation-
mute™. Hide tweets based on the
poster's motivation for tweeting
them

When you take a variety over \mathbb{C} , and try to compress it by modding out by the action of $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Q})$, but instead of any points getting glued together, a bunch of varieties over finite fields spew out of it.

Sam-I-am is a drug dealer who pressures people to try free samples of highly addictive green eggs and ham, and then bleeds them dry once they're hooked. Do not give in.

have you tried breaking out of the script and into the “breaking out of the script” script

Upside-up triangles are nice and friendly. I do not know how to interpret upside-down triangles. What are you trying to say, flat-top?

We tried for months to create an
Instance Of Class-flavoured prod-
uct

But in the end we could only manage

Instance Of Class-flavour product

There is a tower on the horizon.

You removed your front door, and lean it against a wall in the basement.

You ignore the sound of someone trying the handle as you lock the basement door.

Paul Christiano uses a special decision theory which only works for Paul Christiano. If anyone else tries to use it, it serves him.

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ethics will never be solved unless we go out into the world and take seriously the question: “Would you like fries with that?”

“I have discovered what is truly important in life: being able to solve coordination problems.”—
@KevinSimler, 2016

me during sex: hurt me

them: you were never that smart
you just were good at reading as
a child so you were given special
attention and it gave you a complex

me: wait-

them: you don't try at school because you're convinced your natural intellect will save you but you don't have it

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