Why can't tech get past 2nd grade biology

You are fine the way you are

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DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS

Population response to spatial heterogeneity: Hemilepistus reaumuri as a case study

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CASE ONE

In general, I think software people think they are self-made



Outliers



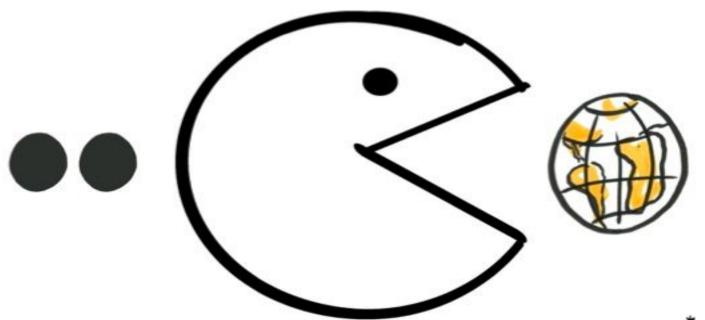
THE STORY OF SUCCESS

Malcom Gladwell

#1 bestselling author of The Tipping Point and Blink

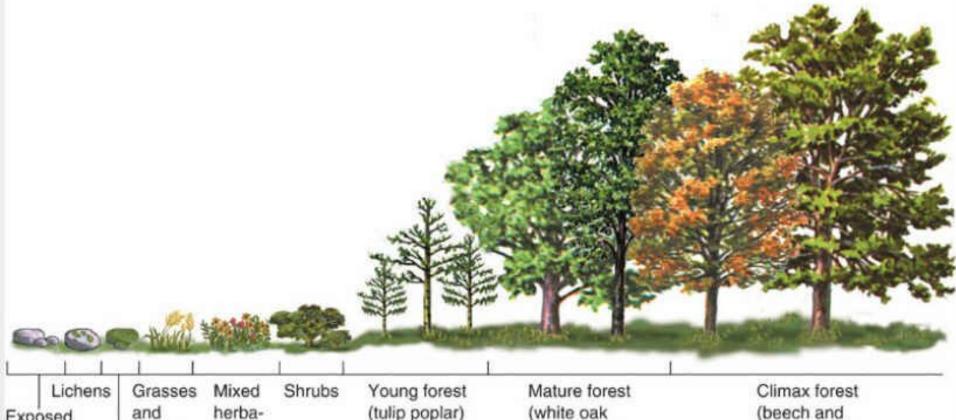


software is eating up the world*



* Marc Andreessen in Wall Sreet Journal

ALTERNATIVE



Exposed rocks Mosses

weeds

herbaceous plants

(tulip poplar)

(white oak and hickory)

(beech and sugar maple)



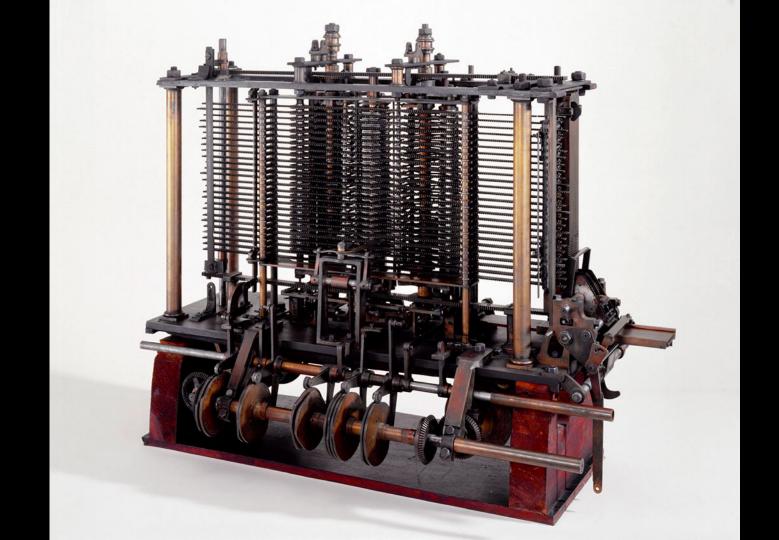






Hardware is the environment/soil

Software is the biological community







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UPDATE
CMD = >
     -----3----4----+
000100 //MYPROC PROC
000200 //PSTEP01 EXEC PGM=IEBGENER
000300 //SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=A
000400 //SYSUT1 DD DSN=HERC03.DEMO.MYLIB(INPUT),
000500 // DISP=SHR
000700 //SYSIN DD DUMMY
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.RUN ADV11

YES

WELCOME TO ADVENTURE!! WOULD YOU LIKE INSTRUCTIONS?

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SOMEWHERE NEARBY IS COLOSSAL CAVE, WHERE OTHERS HAVE FOUND FORTUNES IN TREASURE AND GOLD, THOUGH IT IS RUMORED THAT SOME WHO ENTER ARE NEVER SEEN AGAIN. MAGIC IS SAID

TO WORK IN THE CAVE. I WILL BE YOUR EYES AND HANDS. DIRECT ME WITH COMMANDS OF 1 OR 2 WORDS.
(ERRORS, SUGGESTIONS, COMPLAINTS TO CROWTHER)

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(IF STUCK TYPE HELP FOR SOME HINTS)

YOU ARE STANDING AT THE END OF A ROAD BEFORE A SMALL BRICK BUILDING . AROUND YOU IS A FOREST. A SMALL STREAM FLOWS OUT OF THE BUILDING AND DOWN A GULLY.

GO IN YOU ARE INSIDE A BUILDING, A WELL HOUSE FOR A LARGE SPRING.

THERE ARE SOME KEYS ON THE GROUND HERE.

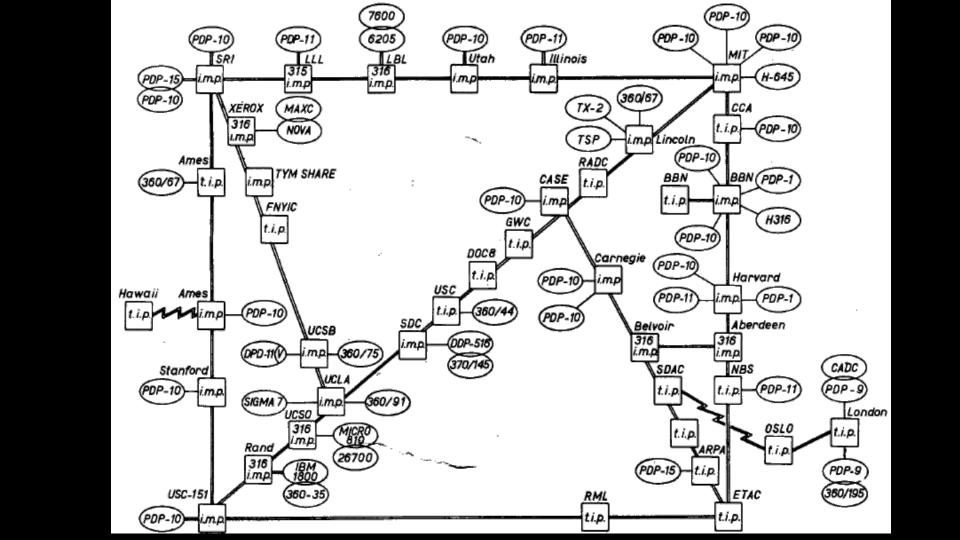
THERE IS A SHINY BRASS LAMP NEARBY.

THERE IS FOOD HERE.

THERE IS A BOTTLE OF WATER HERE.

It is not one changing without influence from the other









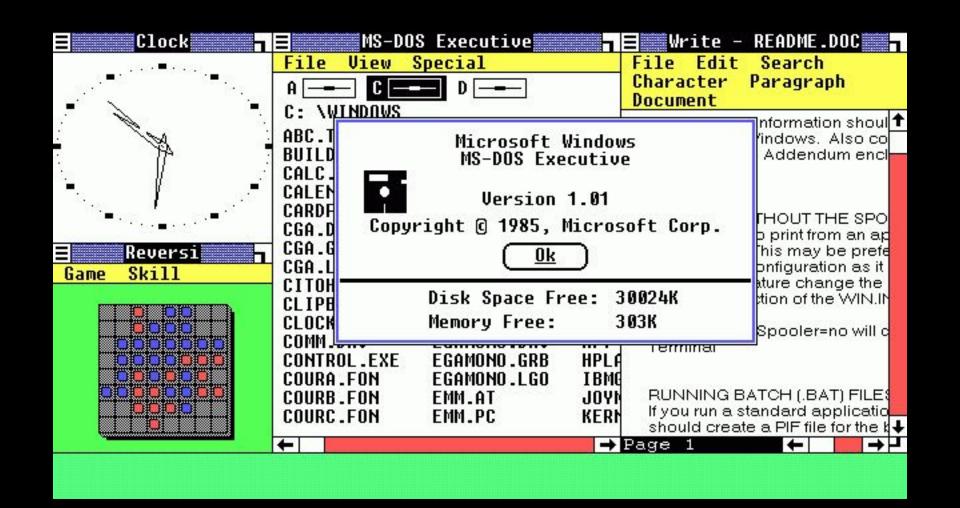




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Microservices?

The combination of hardware **AND** software succession have created a new community— it is neither right or wrong — it just is. Does this community match the needs of your company — do you have the proper environment for it.

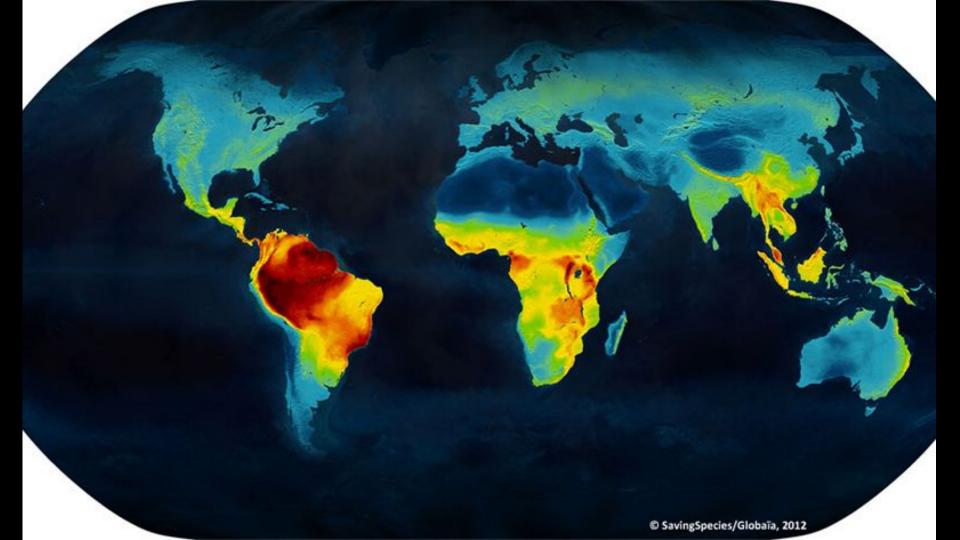
Neither Linear nor simple pairs

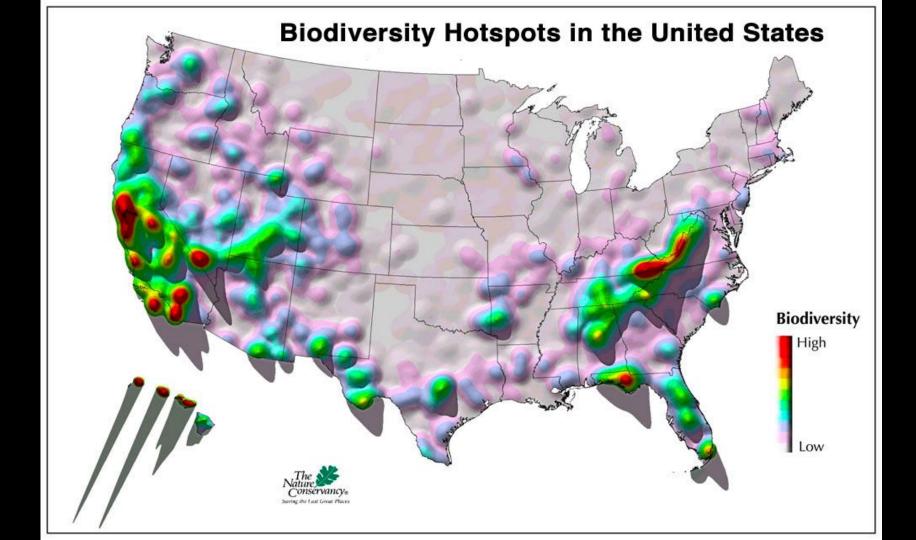


Pull it together

We find ourselves getting more and more diversity in options

This will continue.







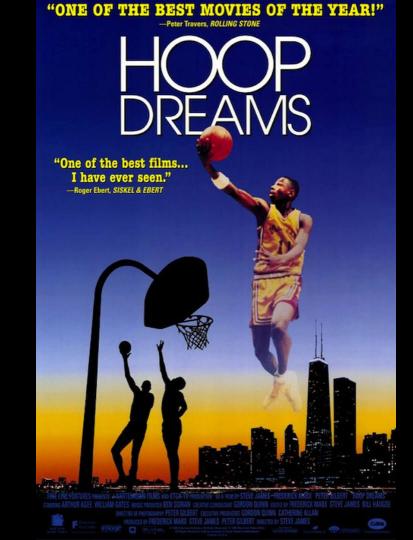


We don't all have to be rainforests



CASE TWO

Google/Facebook Scale Envy



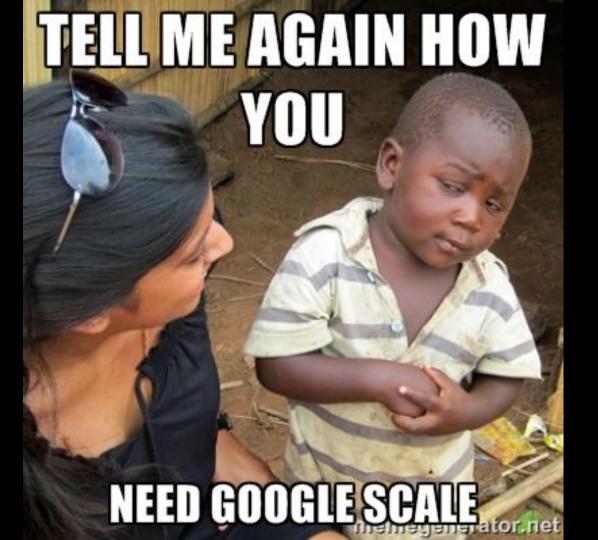
Companies 250 - 2500 employees

\$500K¹
43%¹
119 people²

Google 2 Billion¹ $25,000^{1}$ Unpatented Custom Chip² 230 Billion²

^{1. &}lt;a href="http://bgr.com/2015/09/18/size-of-google-source-code-lines/">http://bgr.com/2015/09/18/size-of-google-source-code-lines/

^{2. &}lt;a href="http://www.forbes.com/sites/quentinhardy/2011/06/11/google-scale-changes-everything/">http://www.forbes.com/sites/quentinhardy/2011/06/11/google-scale-changes-everything/



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There is a lot of...
            Fun
in all the places below #1
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Just set your expectations

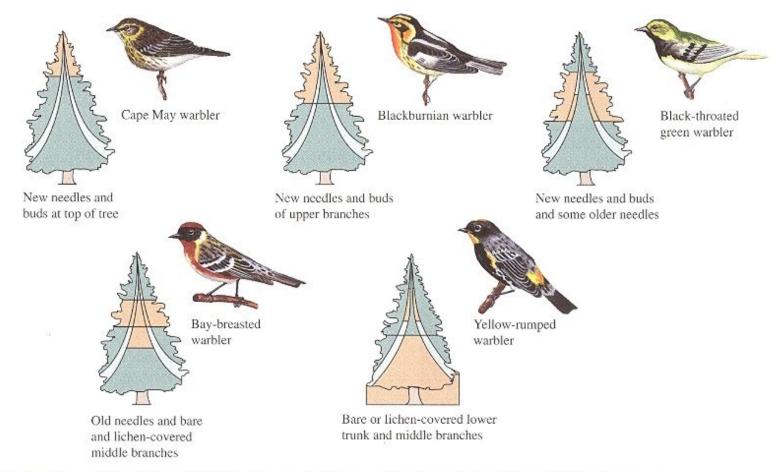


FIGURE 5.19 Niche Specialization Although all of these warblers have similar feeding habits, the intensity of competition is reduced because they search for insects on different parts of the tree.

The question is not:

How do I become Google Scale?

The question is:

How do I get to work with fulfilling technology that makes my job better

The world is not only: Competition Predatory-Prey but also Successional Dynamics Niche Differentiation

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Take homes:

You are not eating nor do you need to be eating the world

You don't need to be Google scale

You need to be using appropriate and fulfilling technology for your actual work

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Would love more discussion @TheSteve0

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