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As we may think
Comparative essay between the past and today

In the article some technological articles are described such as photo cameras, the author mentions that in the future there will be no need to do the process in a wet paper in order to have the physical picture. Nowadays these cameras are no longer in use, in the first decade of this century the digital cameras started to gain popularity, people who owned them could see the photo that was just taken and export it to any other device like a computer. Later the smartphones arrived to the market, a new device with a good enough resolution in its camera, it replaced little by little the use of the digital camera. Today stand alone cameras are used mostly by professional photographers and students, for regular people cameras embedded in their smartphone are good enough for their social purposes.

Another device mentioned in the article is what the author called memex. It is described as a desk like furniture with a transparent glass on its surface, in which people could have books, images and memories. The author explains how with a group o mechanical handles and buttons it could give relevant content to the user using a keyboard and an identifier. This principle is very alike to the big documents repositories that exist today on the web, people can have a collection of all kinds of things such as music, books, articles etc. What stays the same as the time in which the article was written and today is the need to get the resource of information that is interesting and relevant to the user in an efficient way, but instead of doing the mechanical way now we must do it using different information retrieval technics and algorithms.