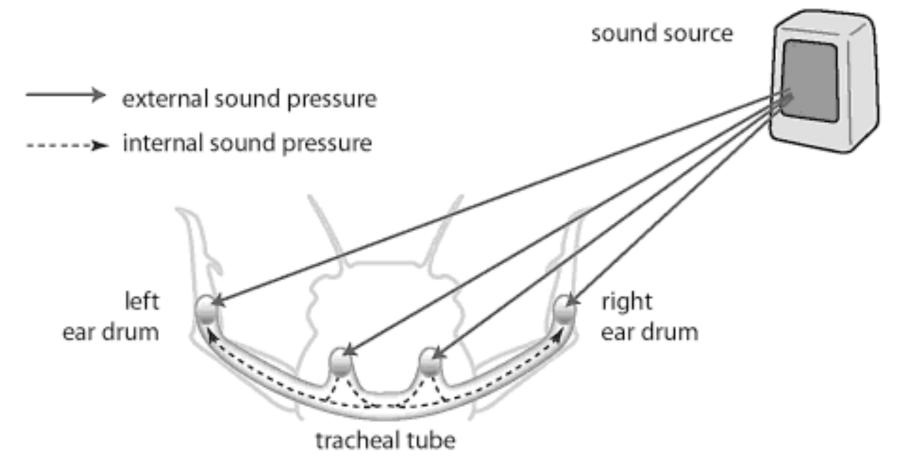


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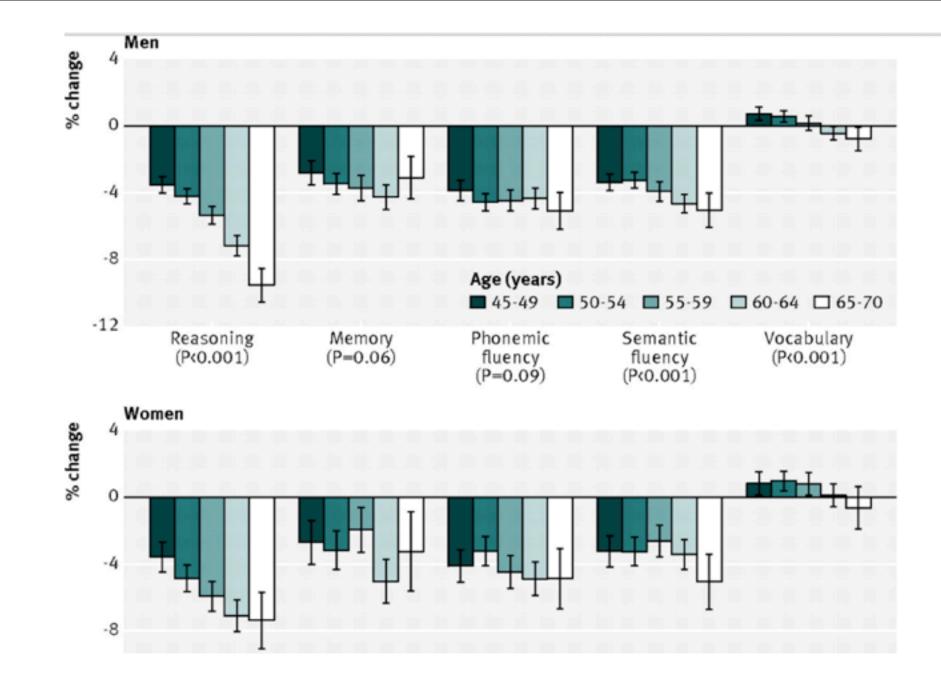
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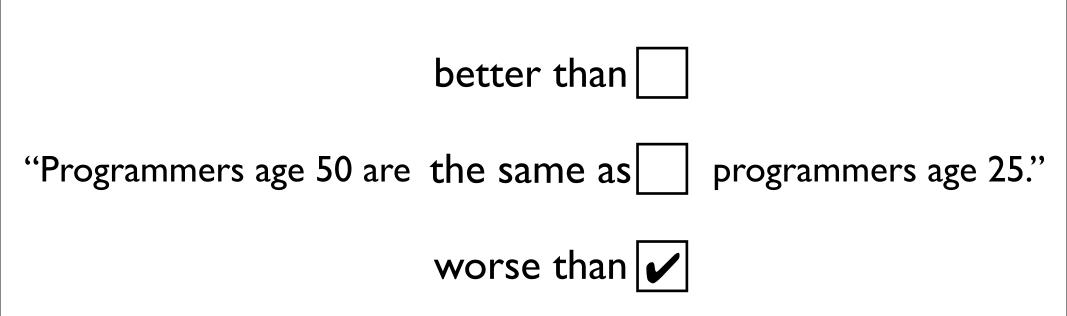


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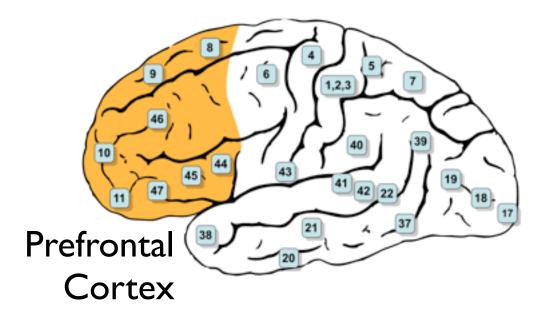
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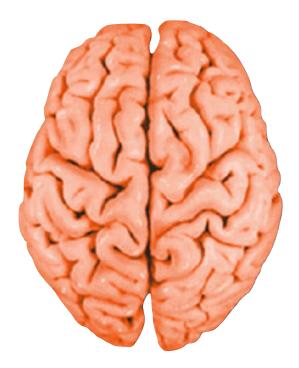
Five Principles for Thinking Less (Expensively) And Accomplishing More

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The Ability to Think Is Expensive

~12 watts

- 20% of resting metabolism
- 2% of body mass





13 hours

DigInfo TV <u>http://www.diginfo.tv</u>/

<u>Effortful</u>

- Add 123 + 82
- Prepare a keynote
- Park a car in a narrow space
- Count the 30 sheep

<u>Automatic</u>

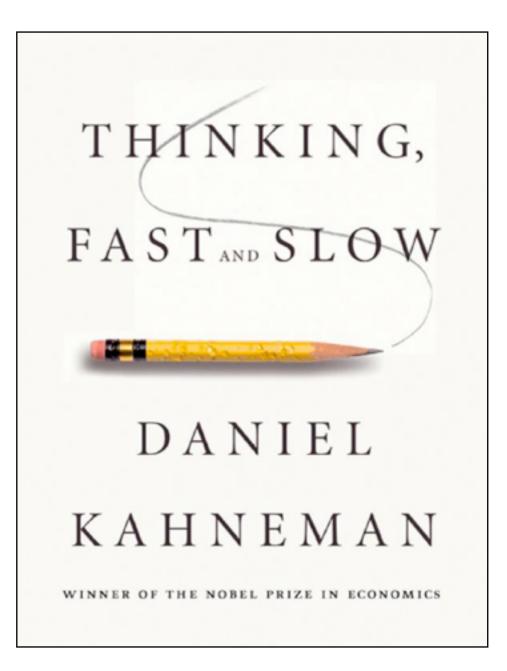
- Add 2 + 2
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- Drive a car on an empty road
- Notice the green sheep

<u>Effortful</u>

- Tiring
- Lazy
- Serial
- Buggy as hell

<u>Automatic</u>

- Not tiring
- Always on
- Parallel
- Mostly accurate (at specialized tasks)



Ecological/Embodied Cognition



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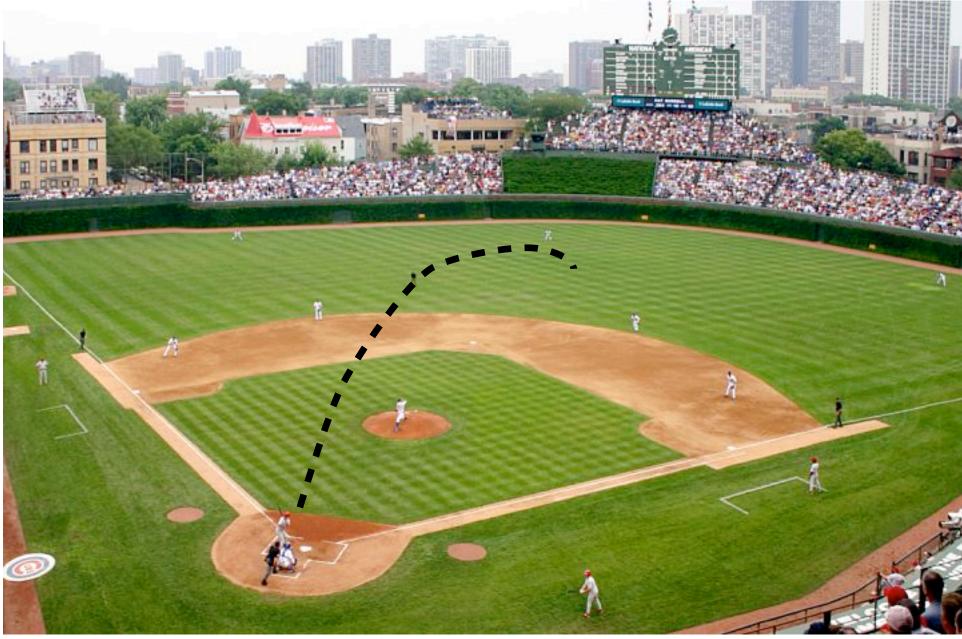


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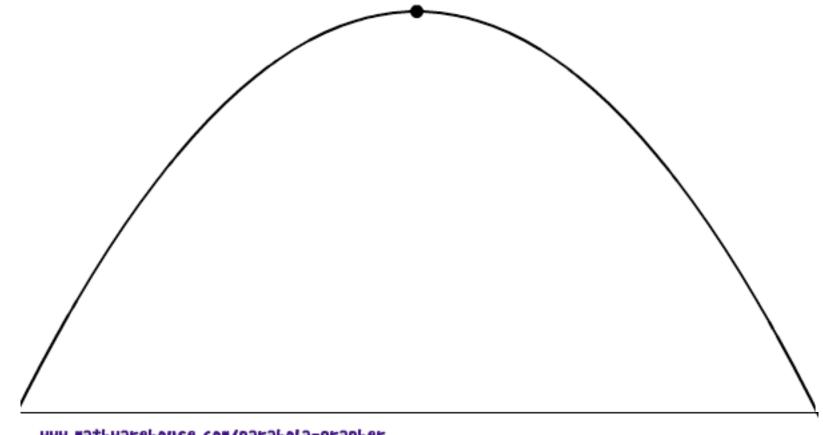




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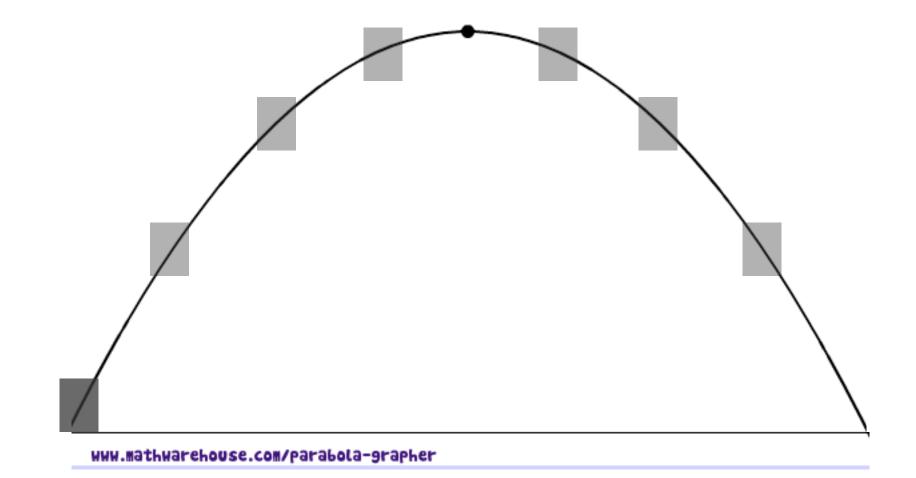


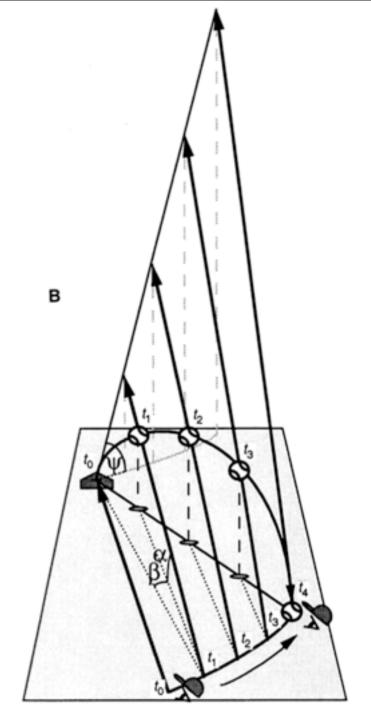
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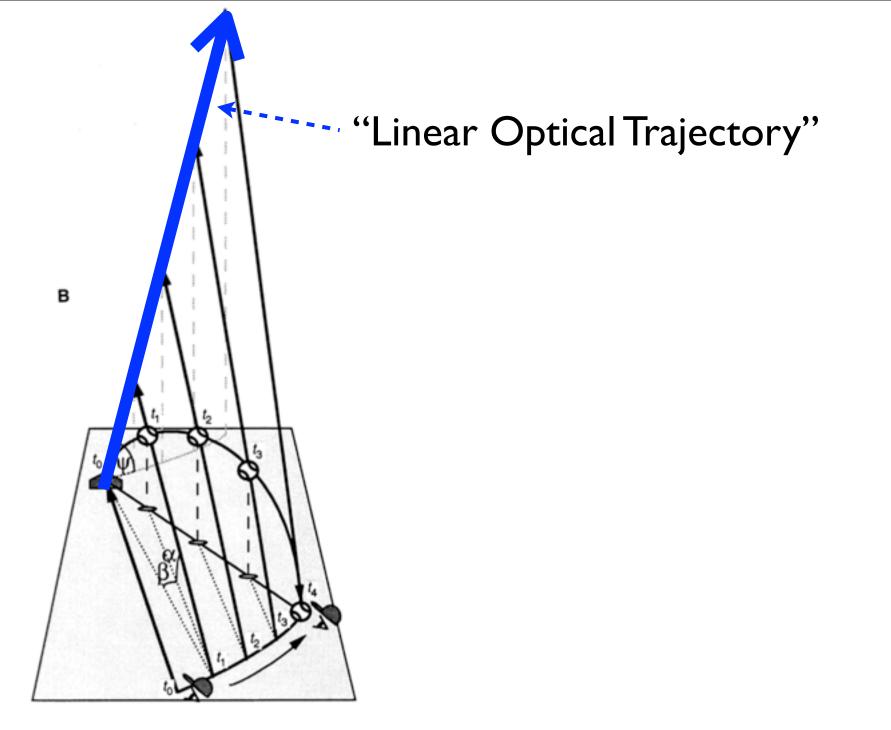


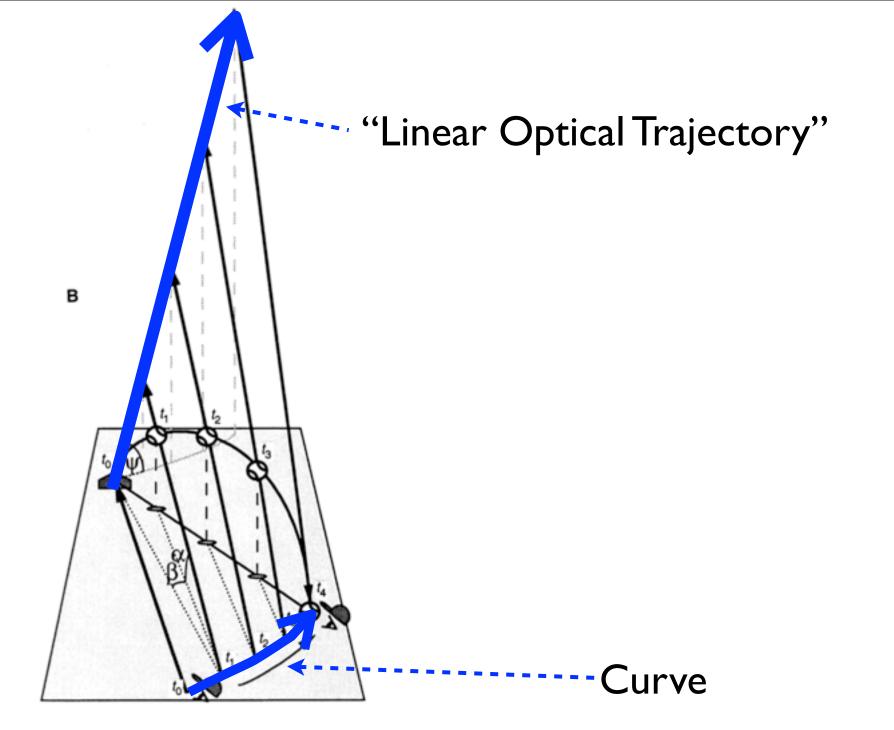
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Disturbing the Invariant



Habitual action

Focused perception

Maintaining invariants

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Why Ron Jeffries Was Right and I Was Wrong



- I. Perception
- 2. Action
- 3. Invariants





Perception \Rightarrow Action

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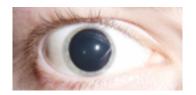
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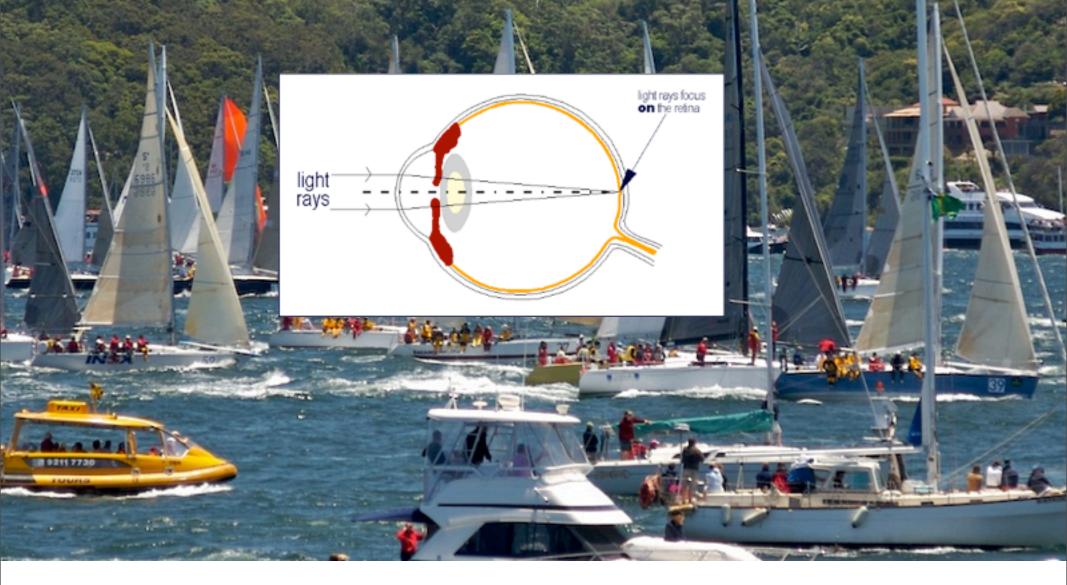
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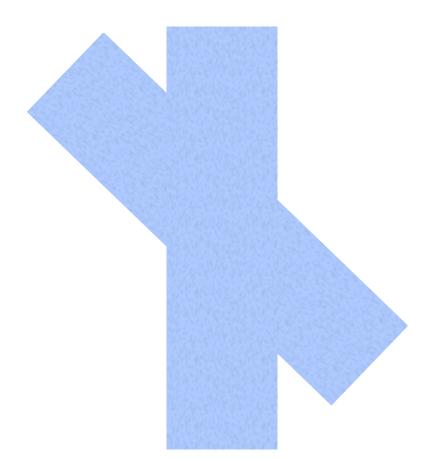


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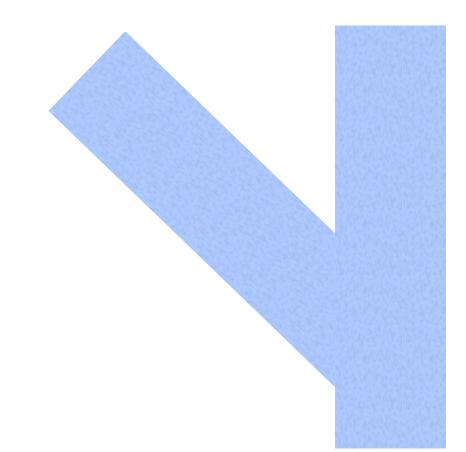




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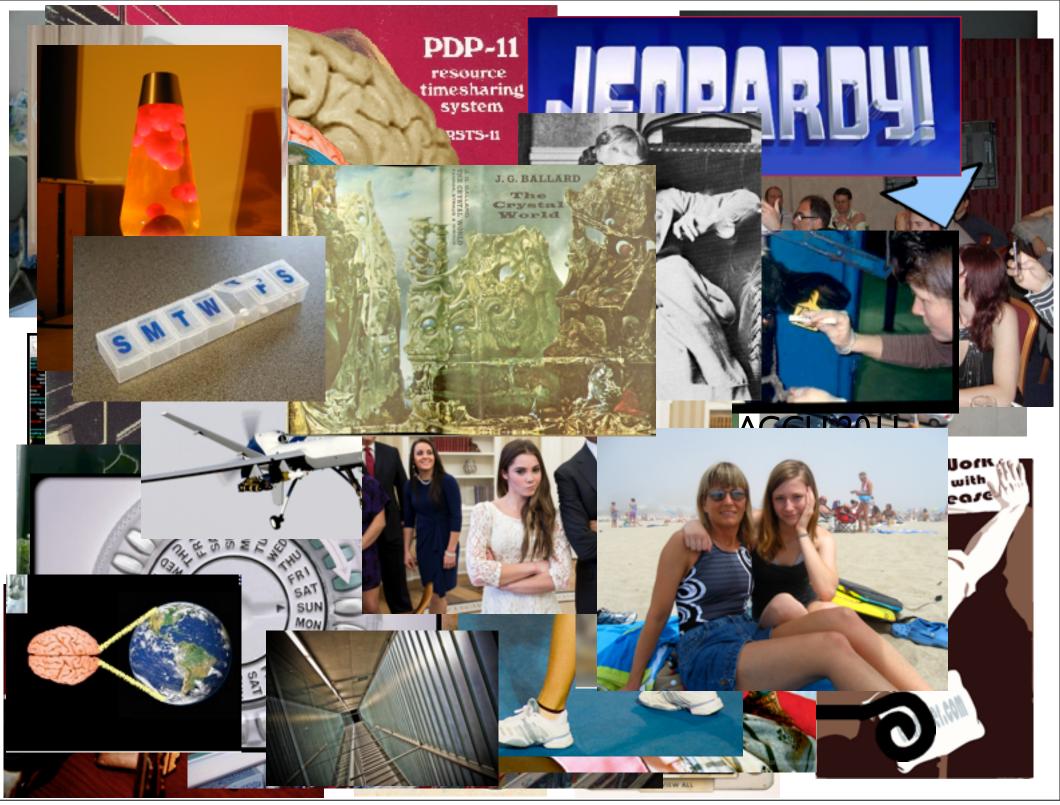
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The World Is Awash in Exploitable Invariants

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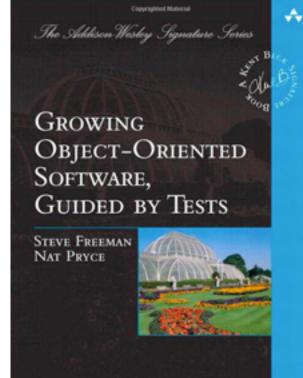


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