

# IDEA



## SEEDS

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### Ideas

Though entirely cerebral, brought into being by thought alone, when represented in word and presented, enabled then to propagate the world over. Once released, ideas wend their way in free agency, equal contenders for a place among their fittest peers. All that's required for their continued evolution is the broadcast of their seed—in good faith, that the best and the brightest may abound.

### Light

The most astounding takeaway from Albert Einstein's relativity revolution isn't that the speed of light is invariant and absolute, or that the parametrics of space and time are therefore mass and velocity variant, it's that at lightspeed these metrics go "singular" meaning everything is happening everywhere at once. If the electromagnetic field is universal and omnipresent then the nature of light is supernatural.

### Photons

Those stellar photons terminating on your retina, although having originated in the night sky eons ago, aren't millions of years old. Photons are regenerative electromagnetic pulses riding the same instantaneous Now as when first emitted.

### Black Holes

Gravitational singularities exist only in absentia. Go to the mass locus at the center of our galaxy, or any sizeable center-of-mass for that matter—they're all one and the same, and what do you find? Absolutely nothing. Nothing but the location of the next nearest greater gravitational center. The *nonlocal* existence of a black hole is revealed by observing the inertial momentum of everything around it.

### Matter

Particle physicists have determined that most of an atom's mass has nothing to do with any of its 'massive' constituents. Nearly all of the energy of matter exists between particles, in the binding energy of the electromagnetic and gluon fields, forces of *unity*. Essentially, the Universe remains one of singular Origin.

## Antimatter

Physicist Richard Feynman suggested that antimatter could be interpreted as their matter counterparts going "backward" in time. If every particle appearance is paired with its antiparticle then this 'walking back' represents the vanishment of this present instance prompting this next refreshment.

## Creation

Deepest within the quantum domain of theoretical physics is found the genesis engine of reality—the "wavefunction". This is where energy potential materializes. What ultimately becomes our world is a superposition of the highest amplitude resultants—the *most* probable outcomes. Creation is not by accident.

## Evolution

The *potential* for Life necessarily preceded its beginning. The emergent evolution of an exponentially expanding biological process, on a slowly rotating, water and nutrient laden sun drenched sphere, *is* the Design. We're supposed to be here.

## Teleology

Life knows full well where it's going; it just doesn't know how its going to get there.

## Environmentalism

Crises inflation and its exploitation of worse case scenarios have regrettably become defining affiliates of environmental advocacy. Such orchestrations surely create as much skepticism as conviction, given how inaccurate forecasts of our global demise have proven to be. Dial down the hyperinflation—please, you're frightening those who don't know better. The expanding future is a dynamic synthesis of emergent events predictably impossible to predict. What *is* predicable is that the continuing evolution of mind will produce innovative solutions.

## Context

The average child in the 1970's had twice the lead levels of those with the highest levels found during the "Flint water crisis". ([cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/00032080.htm](http://cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/00032080.htm))

## Politics

The vitriolic nature of America's binary politics might be mitigated by way of proportional voting. In allowing voters to apportion partial support for the candidates, by percentage or ranking for example, the vast excluded middle of their preferences is in play. Perhaps fewer would feel abject defeat following an election. Were voter certitude to depolarize, binary divisions would meld, and the political and media establishments defuse. If democratic republics survive and thrive a more amenable way will have been found for the will of the majority to prevail.

## Exceptionalism

America *is* exceptional, the only nation conceived during, and thus the sole progeny of, the brightest parentage in human history—the European Enlightenment. The ascendancy of the United States to global preeminence expresses the exceptional nature of its constitutional pedigree. May it live long and prosper.

## Borders

The defining characteristic of every unitive entity—a cell, an organism, a colony, a country—is its border. The first order priority of every living thing is to maintain a homeostasis equilibrium *within*. When borders fail, resources pour out, pathogens move in, and the unitive processes become overwhelmed.

## Justice

The death sentence may be justified. Death row, however, inflicts unusual punishment, sustains the suffering for all involved, and is a waste of public resources. Once a lawful and just society finally concludes that the actions of an individual were so egregious as to warrant the forfeiture of all their remaining rights—life included, they should promptly be provided a merciful release. Grant them summary passage in the euphoric rush of an opiate overdose. It's the least we can do.

## Morality

Imagine a moral "View-Master" wherein the reel of stereoscopic images are those of your most beloved. If in rotating the reel, it matters not that the selected subject would be the just recipient of the action under consideration, then—unless you're immoral, it passes the morality test.

## Gender

There's nothing binary about it. Every human being produces varying amounts of both male and female hormones. Each of us is a unique expression of genetic, epigenetic, cultural and social circumstance, and since the beginning of our kind, gender identification is necessarily something everyone has figured out. To think federal intervention is necessary to help this generation cope with the challenge posed by restroom doors, is not merely ludicrous, but indicative of just how intrusive and overindulgent governing sensibilities have become.

## Sex

If sensate reward correlates to biologic imperative then sexual gratification, for men especially, is their most important function. Human beings may be naturally rewarded when falling asleep, find great pleasure in eating, drinking, and socializing, but only one activity is afforded the ultimate reward—an orgasm. No greater untold suffering has accrued from any misunderstanding moreso than from the misappropriation and denial of this most vital of human imperatives.

## Sorry

Men are sexually hard wired prior to the maturity of their frontal cortex. Able to procreate at fifteen, unenabled for full self control until twenty-five—if then. Why? Our early ancestors didn't live all that long and thinking only gets in the way.

## Choice

The mother's womb, the very source of human life, should be deemed sacrosanct, and this sanctity, uniquely, belongs to her. As in previous generations immemorial, it is she, and those in her trust, who shall ultimately choose, prior to, or upon delivery, whether to secure and comfort, or reject, the fruits of her pregnancy.

## Healthcare

There's not enough money to make even one person healthy if one is not first truly committed to doing so. That ever fewer individuals willing and able to maintain the dietary, mental, and physical fitness required for optimal health are, in effect, financing the health care pool for an ever expanding number of the unable or unwilling—unable to pay the costs, is unsustainable. The most intractable difficulty, however, is the prevailing notion that health is a universal human right, and therefore, everybody is entitled to everything. With this mindset there's no avoiding an infinite demand curve—driving healthcare inflation likewise, from consuming an ever greater share of the host nation's resources.

## Health

Best MD advice ever: The cardio-pulmonary system is a balloon that needs to be fully inflated every day. Move more—eat less.

**Discipline** Is a verb—you only have it when you're doing it

## Equality

Nowhere in biologic genomic expression do we find any other than a normal—"bell curve", general distribution of outcomes. Equality is not only unattainable, but undesirable, as evolutionary progress requires prolificacy of the extra-ordinary. Equality of opportunity provides the best assurance of our mutual success.

## Null Result

When it comes to the timely recognition of the value of one's contribution, Vincent van Gogh is the patron saint of null results. Nearly everyday of his adult life he painted a masterpiece on canvas, and although his brother was an art dealer, was able to sell only one. An entire life's work apparently of no value, today is valued among the greatest any artist has ever produced.

## Perception

Van Gogh's paintings express an essential truth about the nature of perception, that via our senses, the mind then renders all of reality—stars, clouds, hills, trees, houses and people—with the same cognitive 'brushstrokes'. The world we observe is a creation of mind.

## Intelligence

Fast rivers and slow rivers of the same width can move the same volume of water, the difference, of course, is depth.

## Turing Test

Asking AI algorithms how to conclusively differentiate human from artificial intelligent sources should converge upon the answer. I'm betting the difference originates within. No assembly of integrated circuits will ever synergize, simulate, or assimilate our subjective sense of a unitive Self. It takes one to know one.

## Space

It's not worth sending human beings beyond lunar orbit, given the complexity of the problems, and the costs and risks in solving them. Explore the solar system with successive generations of virtual telesensing, evermore capable, intelligent robots unencumbered with biological baggage. Be smart—move mind, not mass.

## Fire

From the stone age, to the bronze, the iron, the petroleum, the nuclear fission and fusion ages, to CERN's LHC at nearly the speed of light, if the mastery of fire represents evolutionary potential, then human civilization may be approaching the zenith of its present ascension. What comes next?

## Mind

Our species won't be physically expanding outward in any significant manner. The space between objects is too vast. *Meta*-physical space, however, is ours for the taking. Think of consciousness as the vehicle, you are the intellect behind the wheel, and Mind is this ultimate frontier we're becoming evermore conscious of.

## Mathematics

Transfinite numbers are indeterminate values in forever defining refinement. The geometric constant Pi is an example. Many other natural constants numerically extend beyond the margins of empirical accuracy and may be transfinite as well. That reality defining, universal constants, may be quantitatively *indeterminant*, is a reminder that while mathematics appears remarkably well suited to modeling its profundities, the Universe is profoundly greater than its mathematics.

## Infinity

Need some help with the idea of infinity? Try this: Whatever biggest number you can think of, let's say 10 with a million, billion, trillion zeros following, this number—no matter how big, is near the *beginning* of the infinite number line.

## Continuity

The continuity of the continuum isn't found in the infinity of points within. Every single point is finally finite. All that exists between this one and the next is time, ergo, continuity is found in the temporal dimension.

## Knowledge

Godel's incompleteness theorem: there could always exist that higher order of comprehension for which thus far we have no idea.

## Understanding

Kierkegaard's conundrum: understanding requires looking backward, surviving in the present demands looking forward—understanding the present escapes us!

## Free Will

That human beings can consciously subvert the unconscious primal will to survive by committing suicide, conclusively proves that an autonomous "free will" is *the* actual agent, and not—as some maintain, just an illusory loop in the brain.

## Truth

Human beings naturally seek to understand their world because the truth provides survival with the most coherent path forward.

**Reading**     Walking a while in another person's mind

## Communion

The black man with dreads in a brightly colored robe, without saying a word, invited the three guests to have a seat around a candle flame centered in the room. Incense was in the air. The only sounds were those of cars passing on the street below. As he joined the circle his shadow ascended and hovered on high upon the ceiling. Carefully, reverently, he rolled a joint, lit it, and passed it to his guests. Watching intently as each inhaled, he passed it around again, once more, then snuffed it out, taking no more himself. For a few moments they simply sat, the single flame the focus, until the robed man rose, and having never said a word, four departing as one, walked us to the door. This was my cannabis initiation and I haven't a clue who this holy man was.

## Attention

Our most valuable asset, that which we'll only ever have one of, that which the world tirelessly seeks to obtain, is our focus of attention. Where we put our attention we make more of. The choice of where we direct our attention from moment to moment determines who we are. It's what we become.

## Location

Human consciousness is curiously emerging at the mid-range of the physical magnitude continuum, about halfway between the most distant galaxies and the innermost constituents of matter. Best seat in the house.

## Here—Now

Reach out one second into the future, or one second into the past, and what do you find? Absolute nothingness. *This* is all there is. It's all there'll ever be.

## Strawberry Fields

It was just an ordinary shopping routine, inspecting the containers of strawberries before selecting the best, when someone approached on my right, a woman I sensed, and began doing likewise. In one of those impulsive plays it's so often better to resist, I chanced: "When you find a good one can I have it?" She chuckled and said, "Sure, if you'll do the same for me". So here we are each looking for the best container, even better I suspect than before, because now we wish to impress. After a moment, with strawberries in hand, we looked up and exchanged our selections with whimsical grins, parted with pleasantries, and went our separate ways. That every so often, with so many swings and misses, one clears the fence, is what makes continuing to try so irresistible.

## Silence

Be very quiet  
 Listen in on the sound of silence  
 That resident resonance you'll begin to hear  
 Is the white noise of your cerebral neural network  
 Tune in sometime  
 It's divine

