

Nieuwe wegen voor de wetenschap

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1. Wat is

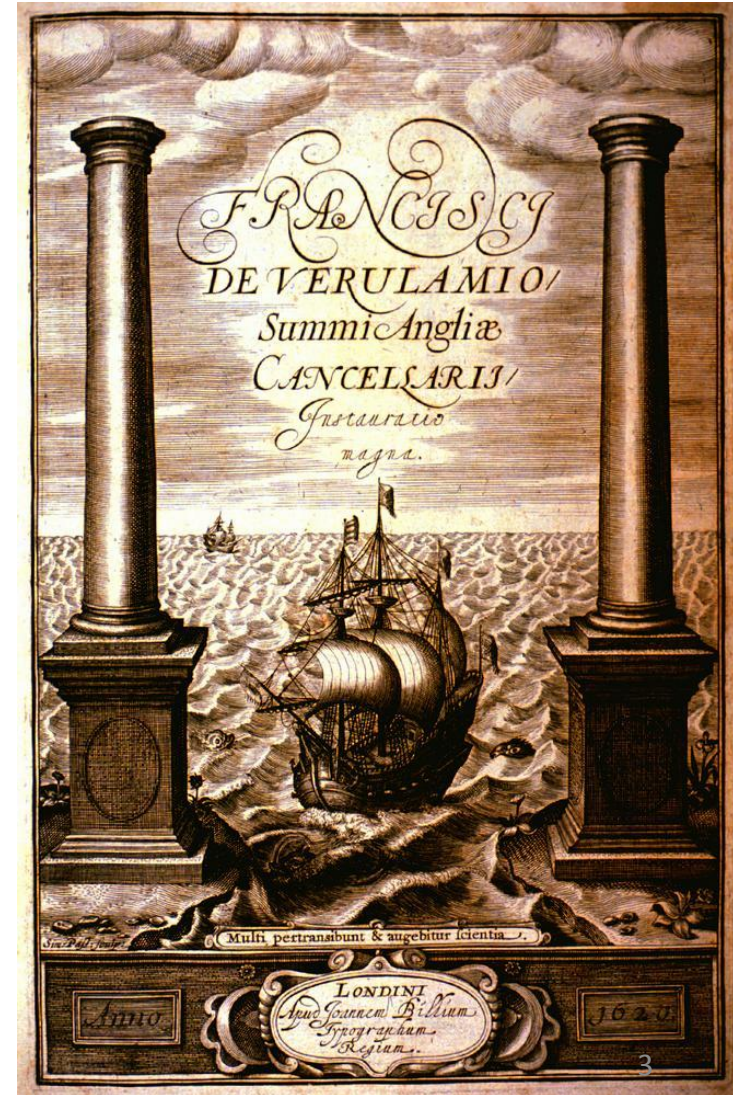
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2. Technologie ?
3. Engineering ?

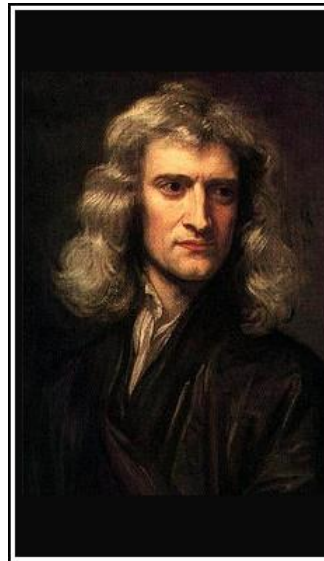
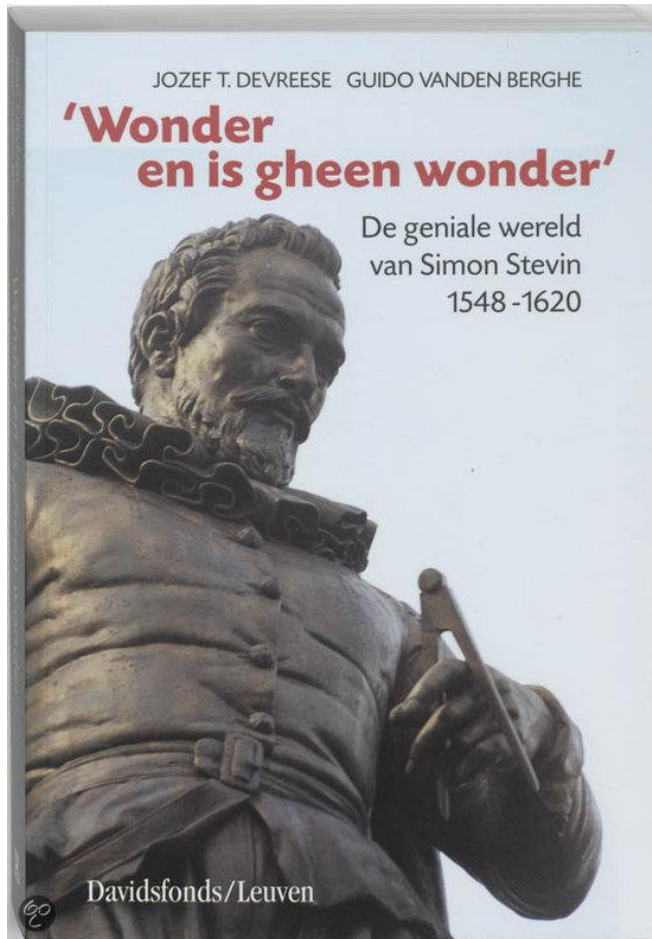
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Wat is wetenschap ?

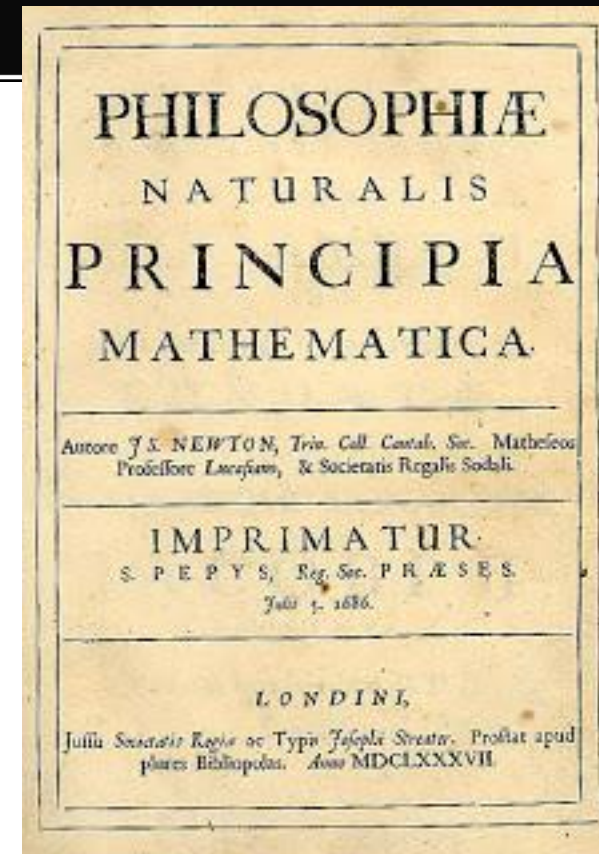
- De wereld beschrijven en begrijpen
- Verhalen, mythes, verifieerbare feiten
- Religie en wetenschap
 - De Schepper buiten de Schepping
 - *Galileo Galilei en de Kerk*
 - *Napoleon: Où est Dieu dans votre système ?*
Laplace: Dieu ?
Je n'ai pas besoin de cette hypothèse !
- Descartes: 'Je pense donc je suis' 'Cogito ergo sum'
- Francis Bacon (1561 – 1626)
 - De experimentale methode
 - Vooruitgangdenken
 - Nec plus ultra; The limit is the sky !





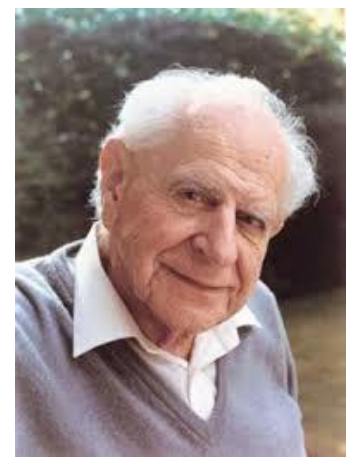
Hypotheses non fingo.' I feign no hypotheses.

(Isaac Newton)



Wat is wetenschappelijk ?

Karl Popper's Demarcatie-criterium



Een theorie is wetenschappelijk wanneer ze haar eigen zwakheden expliciteert

A statement or a theory is scientific when it clarifies and establishes its own weaknesses

'Irrefutability is not a virtue of a theory, but a vice' (Karl Popper)

Geen enkele wetenschappelijke theorie is gegarandeerd voor altijd juist.

Een wetenschappelijke theorie 'verbiedt' meer dan wat ze verklaart. Een wetenschappelijke theorie laat toe om te voorspellen wat zal gebeuren, maar nog veel meer, wat niet zal gebeuren.

Niet wetenschappelijk:

- Elke godsdienst
- Ideologieën zoals Marxisme, Liberalisme, Socialisme,

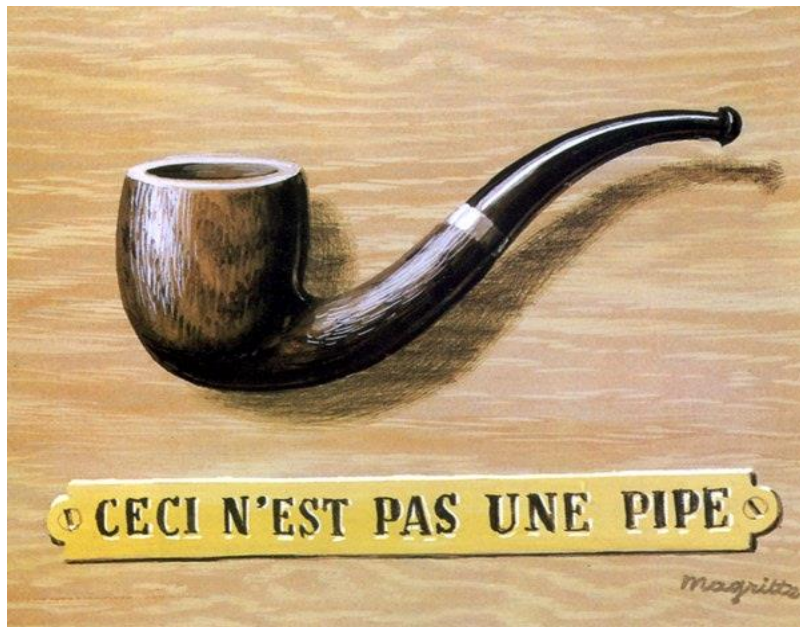
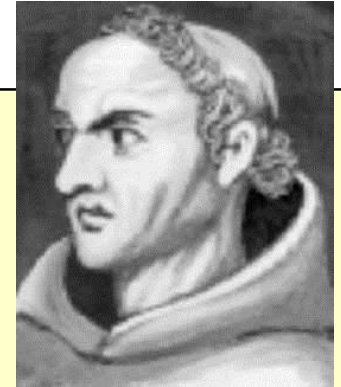
Wetenschappelijke modellen reduceren de werkelijkheid

William van Occam (1290-1349):

“Entia non sunt multiplicanda praeter necessitatem”

(Wezensbegrippen moeten niet onnodig vermeerderd worden)

Een eenvoudige verklaring van een fenomeen is te verkiezen boven een moeilijke



‘Reality is just another model’ ?

J’ai cherche la vie, je n’ai trouve que la science

Wat is technologie ?

- Technologie = techne logos
= de 'kunst' om te weten hoe je iets moet maken
- Technologie = de trans-biologische evolutie bovenop de natuurlijke biologische evolutie

Wat is 'engineering' ?

Engineering = technologie ontwerpen (= 'design') en gebruiken om 'problemen' op te lossen

Wikipedia:

Engineering (from Latin ingenium, meaning "cleverness" and ingeniare, meaning "to contrive, devise") is the application of scientific, economic, social, and practical knowledge in order to invent, design, build, maintain, and improve structures, machines, devices, systems, materials and processes.

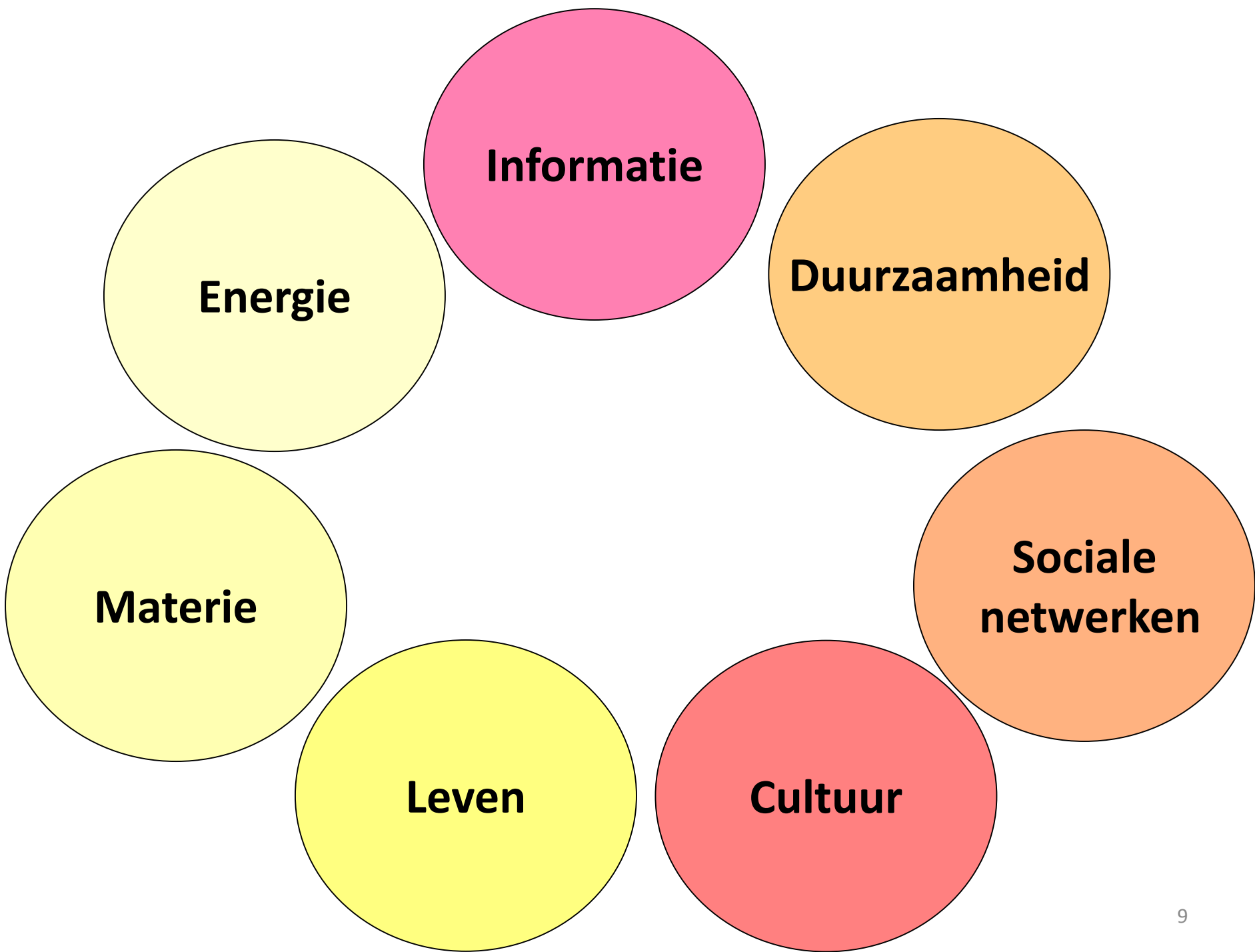
The discipline of engineering is extremely broad, and encompasses a range of more specialized fields of engineering, each with a more specific emphasis on particular areas of applied science, technology and types of application.

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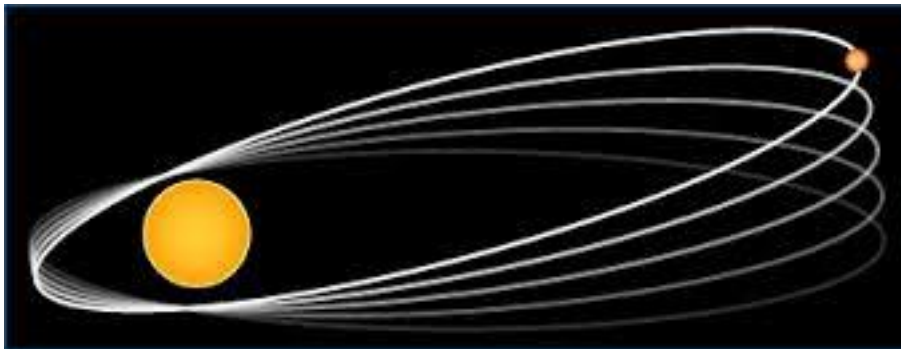
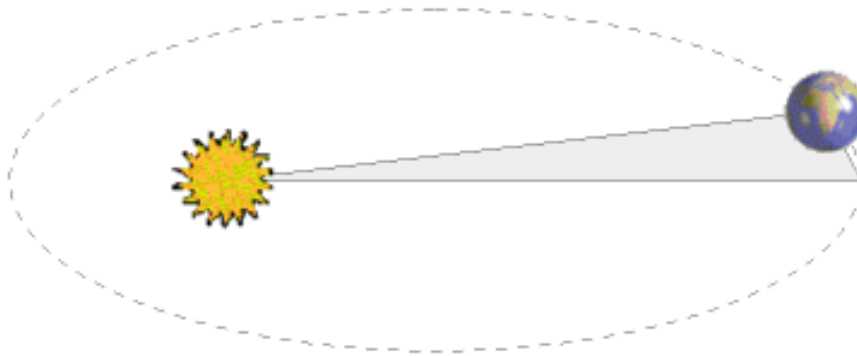
Materie

De wetenschap (analyse)

Wet 1: Orbit = ellips; Zon = brandpunt

Wet 2: 'Straal' bestrijkt gelijke oppervlakken in gelijke tijdsintervallen

Wet 3:
$$\frac{T_1^2}{T_2^2} = \frac{a_1^3}{a_2^3}$$



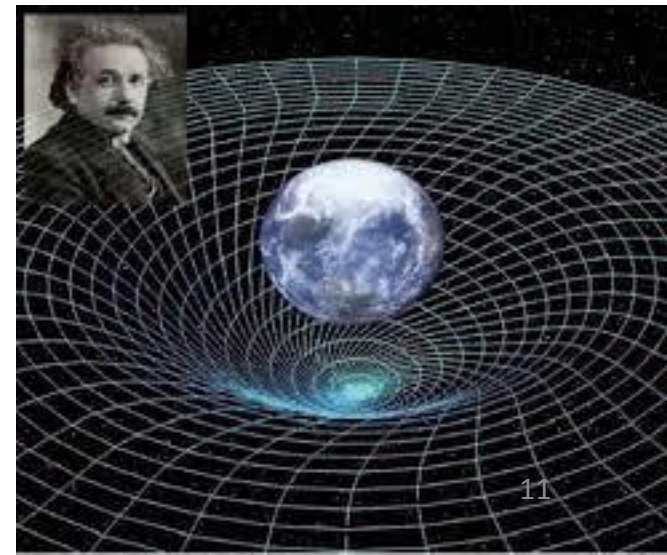
Kepler



Newton

$$F = m \cdot a$$

$$F = G \frac{m \cdot M}{r^2}$$



The unreasonable effectiveness of mathematics

COMMUNICATIONS ON PURE AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS, VOL. XIII, 001-14 (1960)

The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Mathematics in the Natural Sciences

Richard Courant Lecture in Mathematical Sciences delivered at New York University,
May 11, 1959

EUGENE P. WIGNER

Princeton University

*"and it is probable that there is some secret here
which remains to be discovered." (C. S. Peirce)*

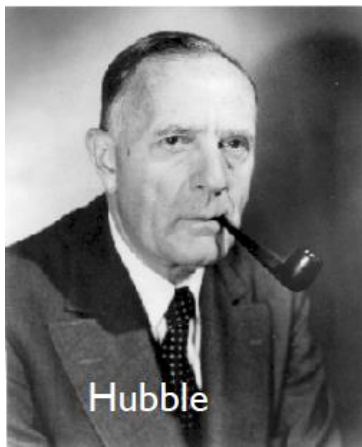
There is a story about two friends, who were classmates in high school, talking about their jobs. One of them became a statistician and was working on population trends. He showed a reprint to his former classmate. The reprint started, as usual, with the Gaussian distribution and the statistician explained to his former classmate the meaning of the symbols for the actual population, for the average population, and so on. His classmate was a bit incredulous and was not quite sure whether the statistician was pulling his leg. "How can you know that?" was his query. "And what is this symbol here?" "Oh," said the statistician, "this is π ." "What is that?" "The ratio of the circumference of the circle to its diameter." "Well, now you are pushing your joke too far," said the classmate, "surely the population has nothing to do with the circumference of the circle."



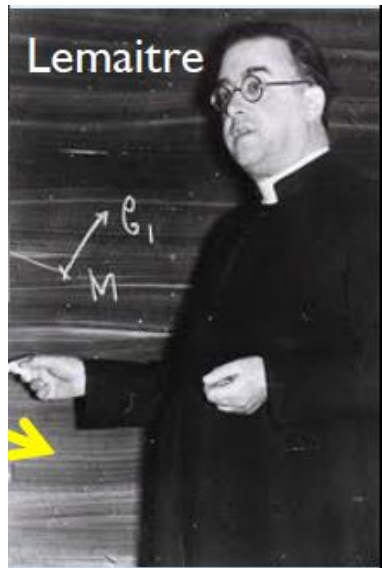
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Hubble



Lemaitre

EVOLUTION OF THE EXPANDING UNIVERSE

By G. LEMAITRE

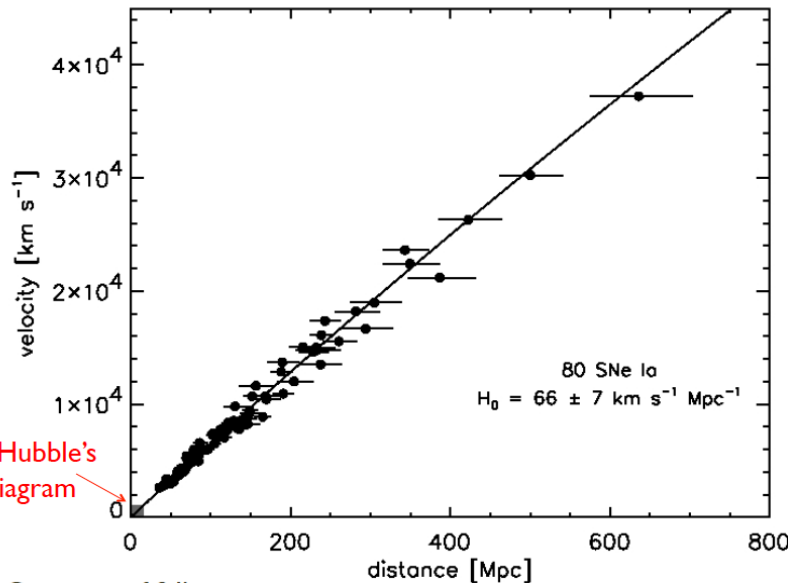
UNIVERSITY OF LOUVAIN

Read before the Academy, Monday, November 20, 1933

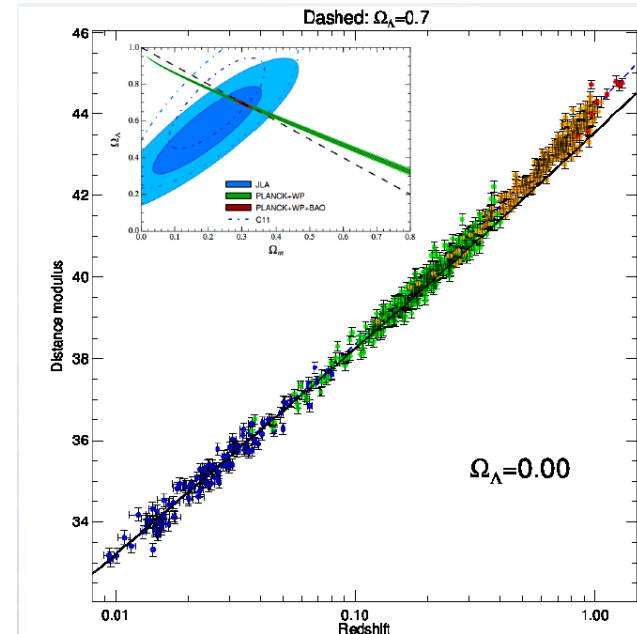
The problem of the universe is essentially an application of the law of gravitation to a region of extremely low density. The mean density of matter up to a distance of some ten millions of light years from us is of the order of 10^{-30} gr./cm.³; if all the atoms of the stars were equally distributed through space there would be about one atom per cubic yard, or the total energy would be that of an equilibrium radiation at the temperature of liquid hydrogen. The theory of relativity points out the possibility of a modification of the law of gravitation under such extreme conditions. It suggests that, when we identify gravitational mass and energy, we have to introduce a constant. Everything happens as though the energy *in vacuo* would be different from zero. In order that absolute motion, i.e., motion relative to vacuum, may not be detected, we must associate a pressure $p = -\rho c^2$ to the density of energy ρc^2 of vacuum. This is essentially the meaning of the cosmical constant λ which corresponds to a negative density of vacuum ρ_0 according to

$$\rho_0 = \frac{\lambda c^2}{4\pi G} \cong 10^{-27} \text{ gr./cm.}^3$$

(1)

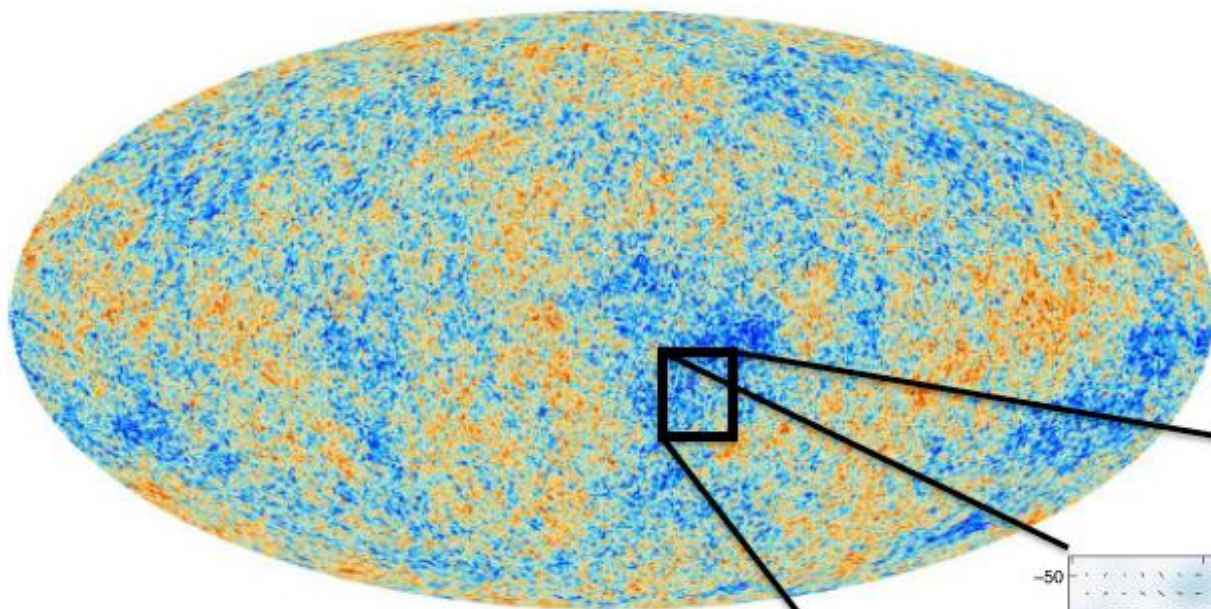


Lemaitre's/Hubble's original diagram



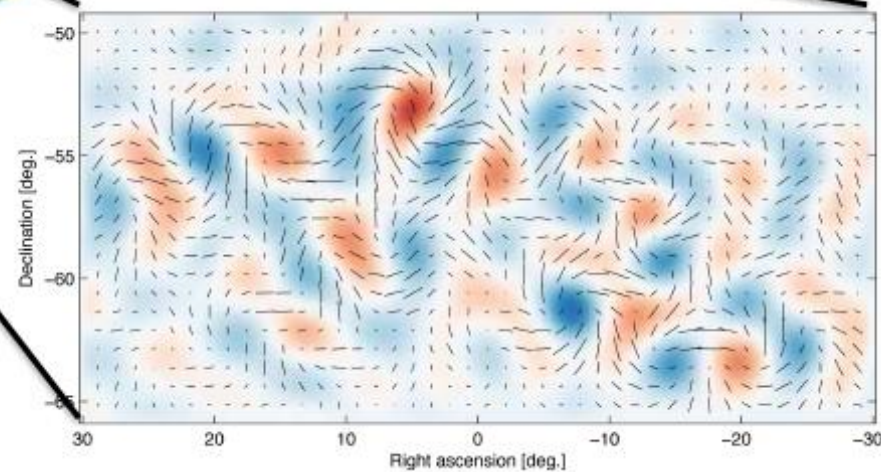
Kijken in het verleden

Temperature variations

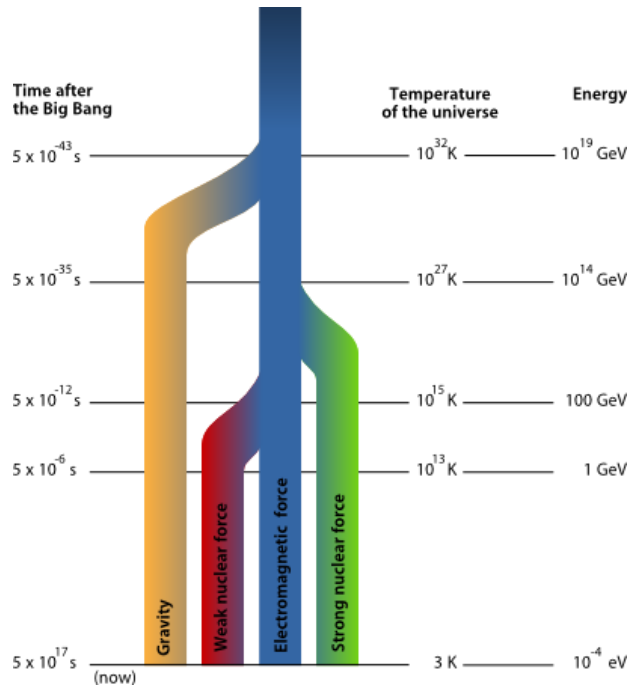
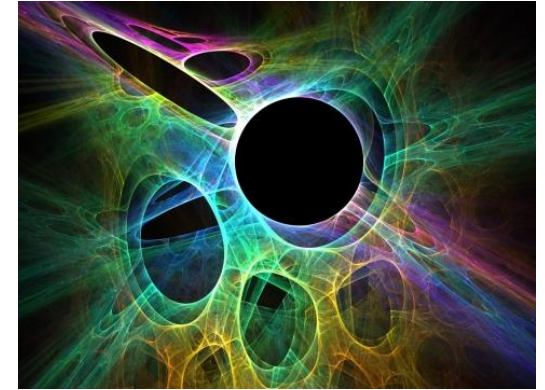
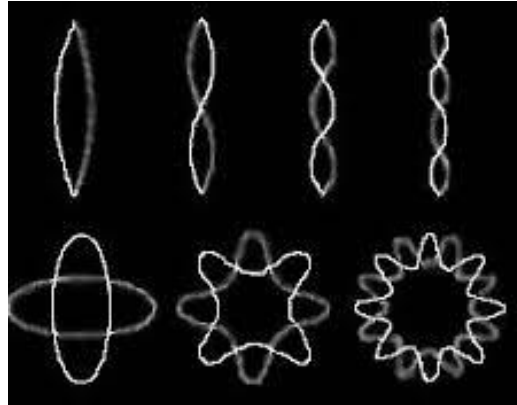


BICEP telescope, 2014

Polarization pattern



Kijken in de toekomst



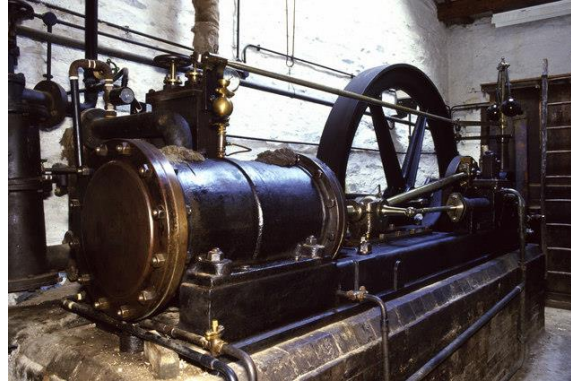
Hoe gravitatie en quantummechanica unificeren ?

Zwarte gaten, string theorie,

Wiskundige consistentie \rightarrow 11 dimensies !

Technologie en ontwerpen: De eerste industriële revolutie (1700...)

- Energie: Steenkool
- Stoom machine (Watt)
- Mechanisering van textielindustrie
- Wegen- en spoorwegnetwerken
- *Sociaal: Transitie van feodaal ruraal naar industriële samenleving*
- *Socio-culturele evolutie volgt de economisch-technische (Franse revolutie)*

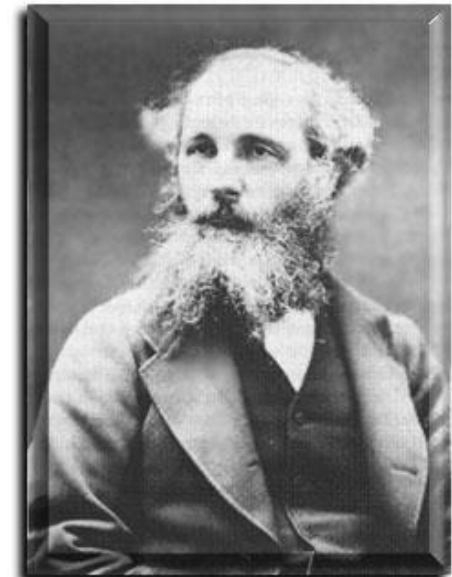




Energie

Materie

De wetenschap (analyse)



$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho$$

(1) Gauss' Law

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

(2) Gauss' Law for magnetism

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

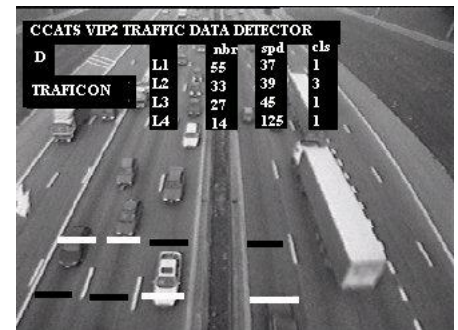
(3) Faraday's Law

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}$$

(4) Ampère-Maxwell Law

Technologie en ontwerpen: De tweede industriële revolutie (1870...)

- Massa productie en –consumptie
- Energie: Electriciteit en olie
- Chemische industrie ontwikkelt zich
- Telecommunicatie: telegraaf, telefoon, radio, TV, ...
- *Arbeid en Kapitaal (Marx) ; Vakbonden;*
Liberalisme: De onzichtbare hand (Adam Smith)
- *Overheid als regulator maar ook facilitator*





Informatie

Energie

Materie

De wetenschap (analyse)

1880: Maxwell's wetten (electro-magnetisme)

1905: Quanta: Planck en Einstein

1910: Atoom model Bohr

1930: Quantummechanica van Heisenberg, Schrödinger,...

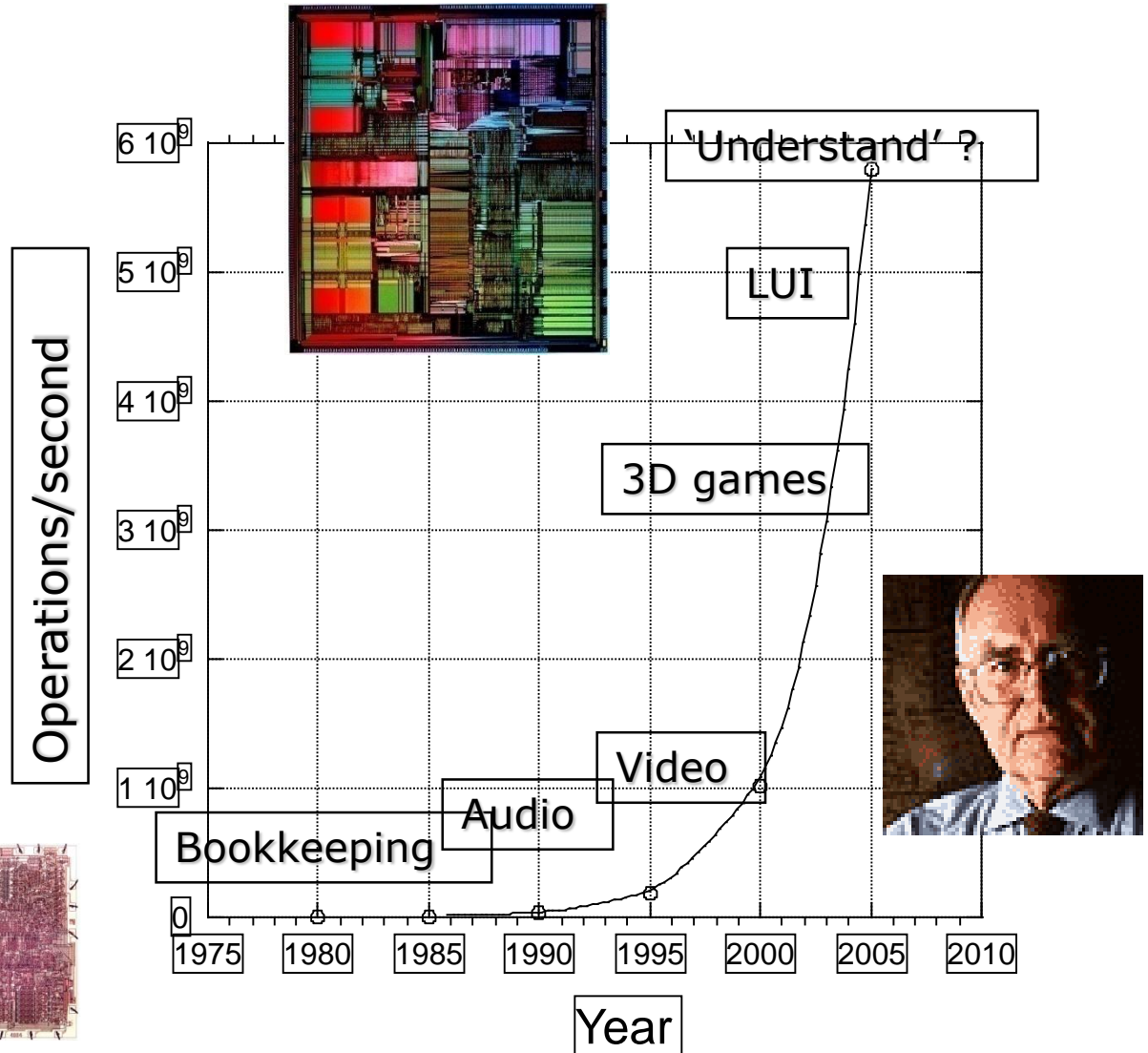
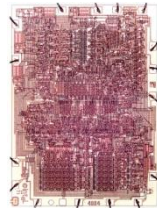
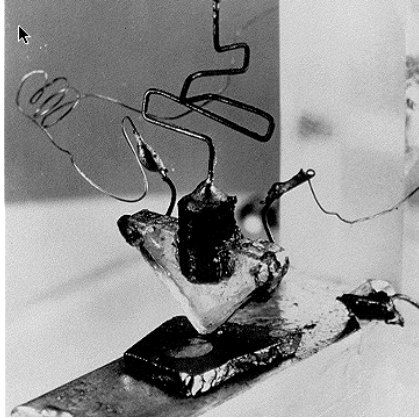
1940: Computer-principe van Turing en von Neumann

1948: Information theorie van Shannon

1950: Transistor



Technologie en ontwerp: Derde industriële revolutie (1945...)



Rekenkracht x 2 elke 18 maand

Ontwerp van een computer-chip: modulair !

Huis

Living
Keuken
Slaapkamer
Badkamer
Garage

....

water, electriciteit, ...
Bakstenen (klei)

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Plan



Chip

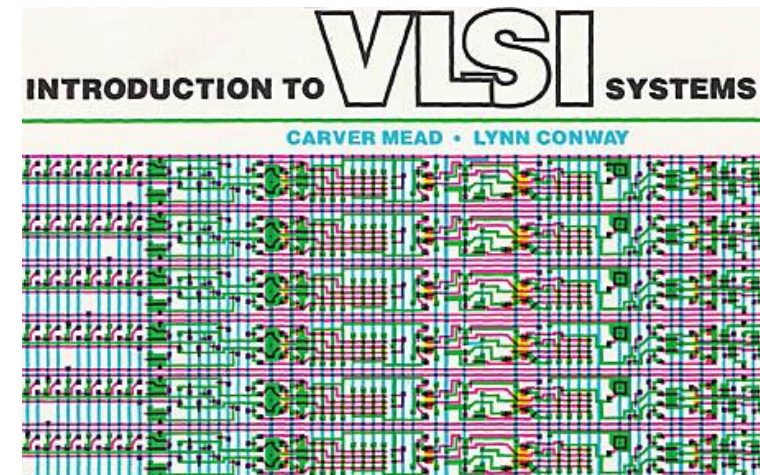
Geheugen
Klok
Controle eenheid
Rekeneenheid
Communicatie

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Energie, communicatie, ...
Transistors (silicium)

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Plan





Grains of rice the world consumes annually: **27.5 quadrillion**



Amount of data the world consumes every 30 minutes: **40.4 petabytes**

We consume more bytes on the internet in 30 minutes than grains of rice in a year.

1 million = 1 000 000
1 billion = 1 000 000 000
1 trillion = 1 000 000 000 000
1 quadrillion =
1 000 000 000 000 000

1 kB = 1 000
1 MB = 1 000 000
1 GB = 1 000 000 000
1 TB = 1 000 000 000 000
1 PB = 1 000 000 000 000 000

1 TB
= large university library
= 212 DVD discs
= 1430 CDs
= 3 year music in CD quality

Informatie

Energie

Duurzaamheid

Materie

Duurzaamheid

- Globalisering

 - Global Village Concept van CNN*

 - Internet*

 - Think globally, act locally (glocal)*

 - Netwerken van mensen en computers*

- Standardizatie, uniformisering, protocols

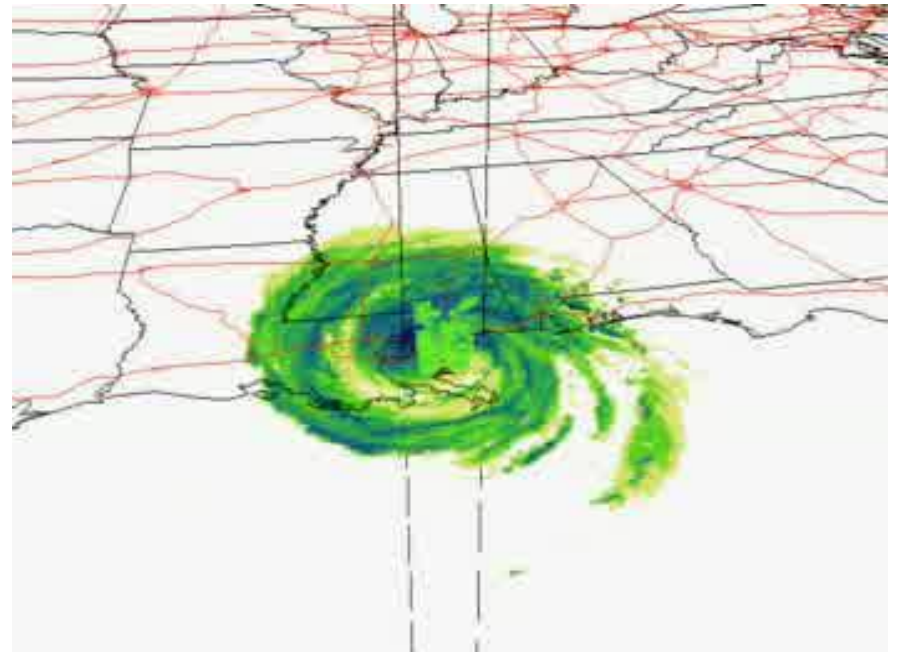
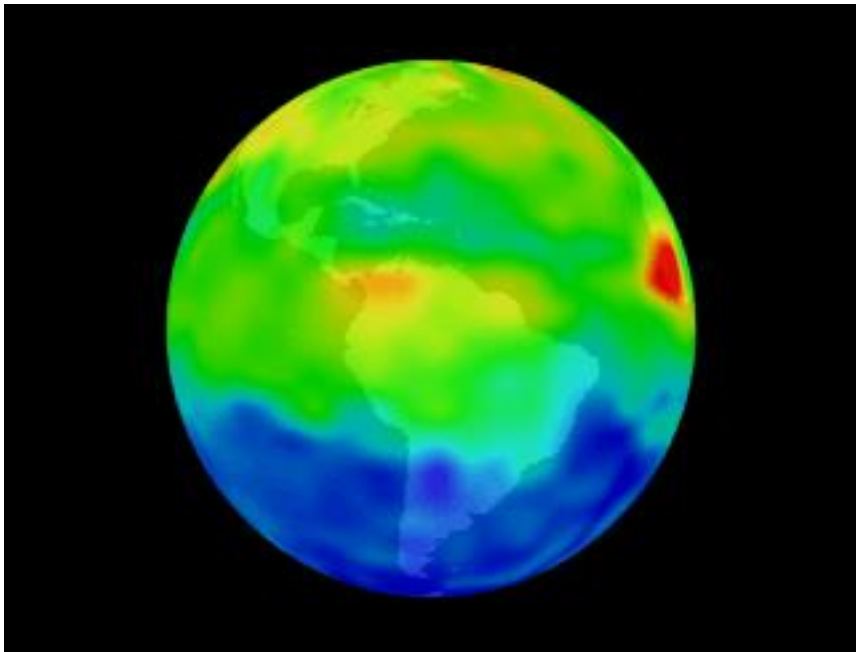
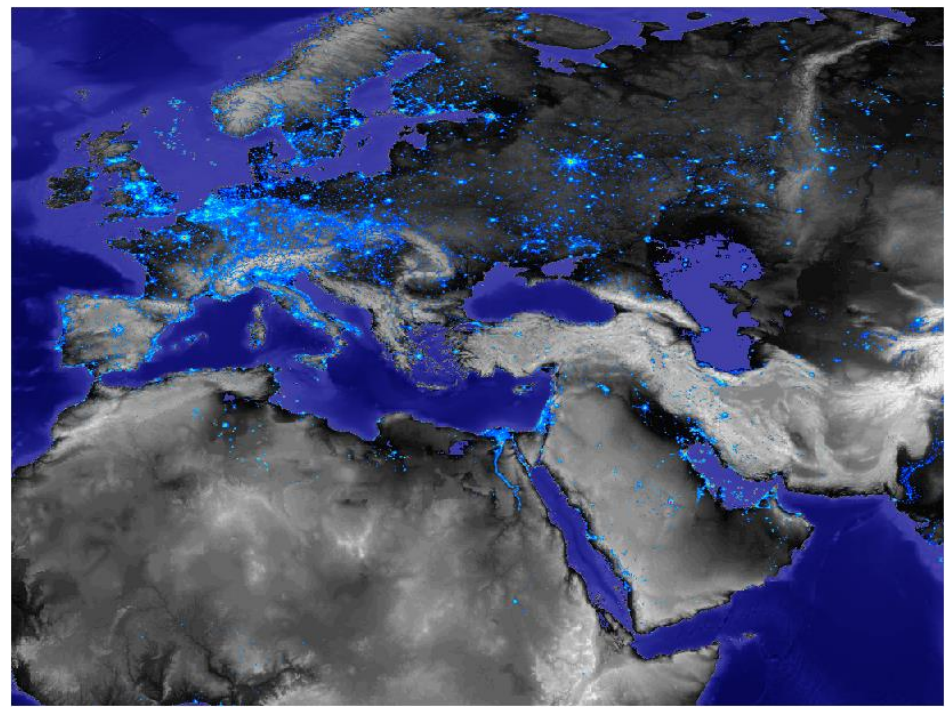
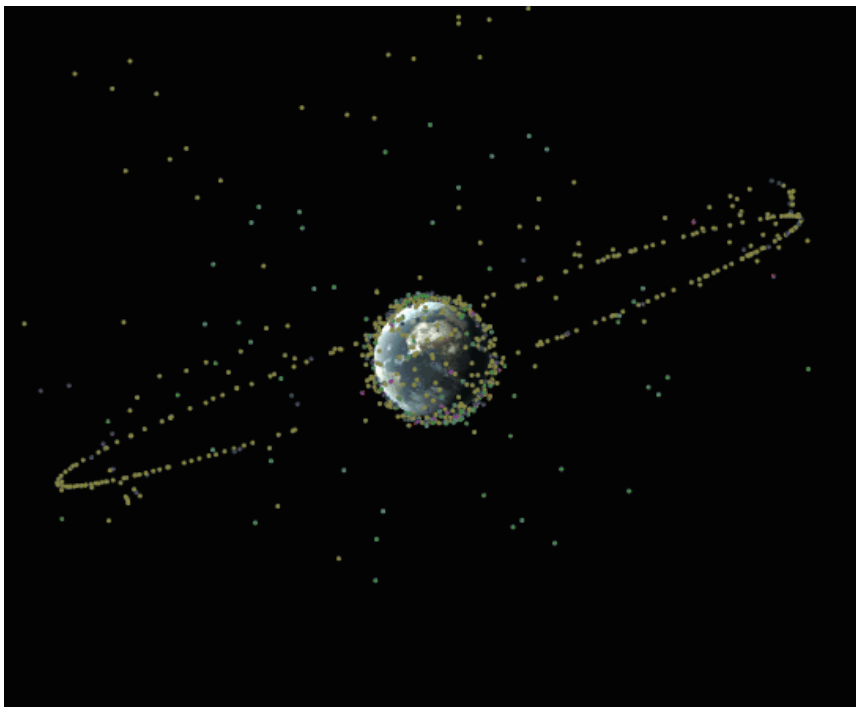
- Duurzame samenleving

 - Traditioneel: Eindige behoefte, oneindig aanbod*

 - Vandaag: Oneindige behoefte, eindig aanbod*

 - We did not inherit the world from our ancestres, but have borrowed it from our children (Antoine de Saint-Exupery)*

- *Cleantech, hernieuwbare energie, klimaat-opwarming,*



Informatie

The diagram consists of five circles arranged in a loose pentagonal pattern. The top circle is pink and labeled 'Informatie'. The top-right circle is orange and labeled 'Duurzaamheid'. The bottom-right circle is a darker orange and labeled 'Sociale netwerken'. The bottom-left circle is yellow and labeled 'Materie'. The top-left circle is a lighter yellow and labeled 'Energie'. All circles have a thin black outline and are filled with their respective colors.

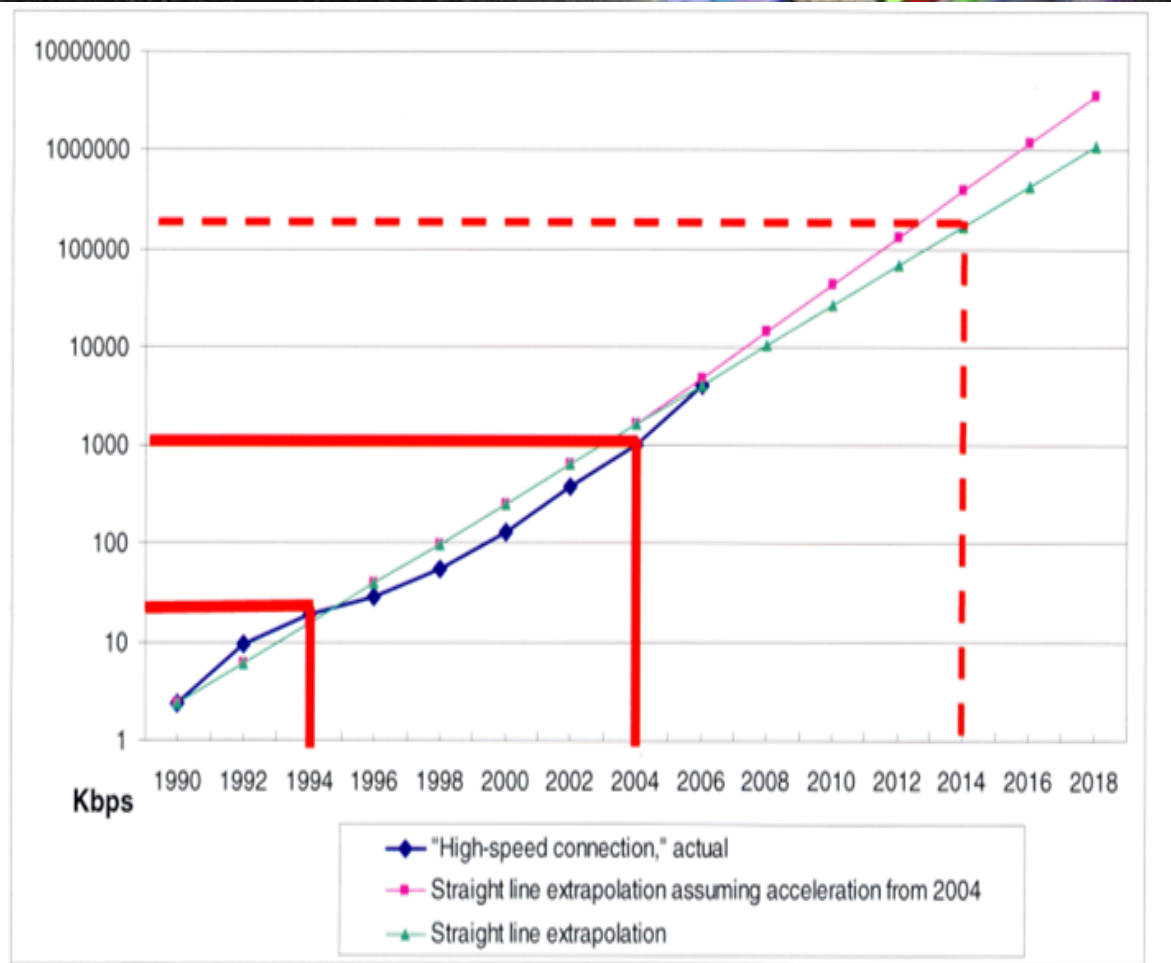
Duurzaamheid

**Sociale
netwerken**

Materie

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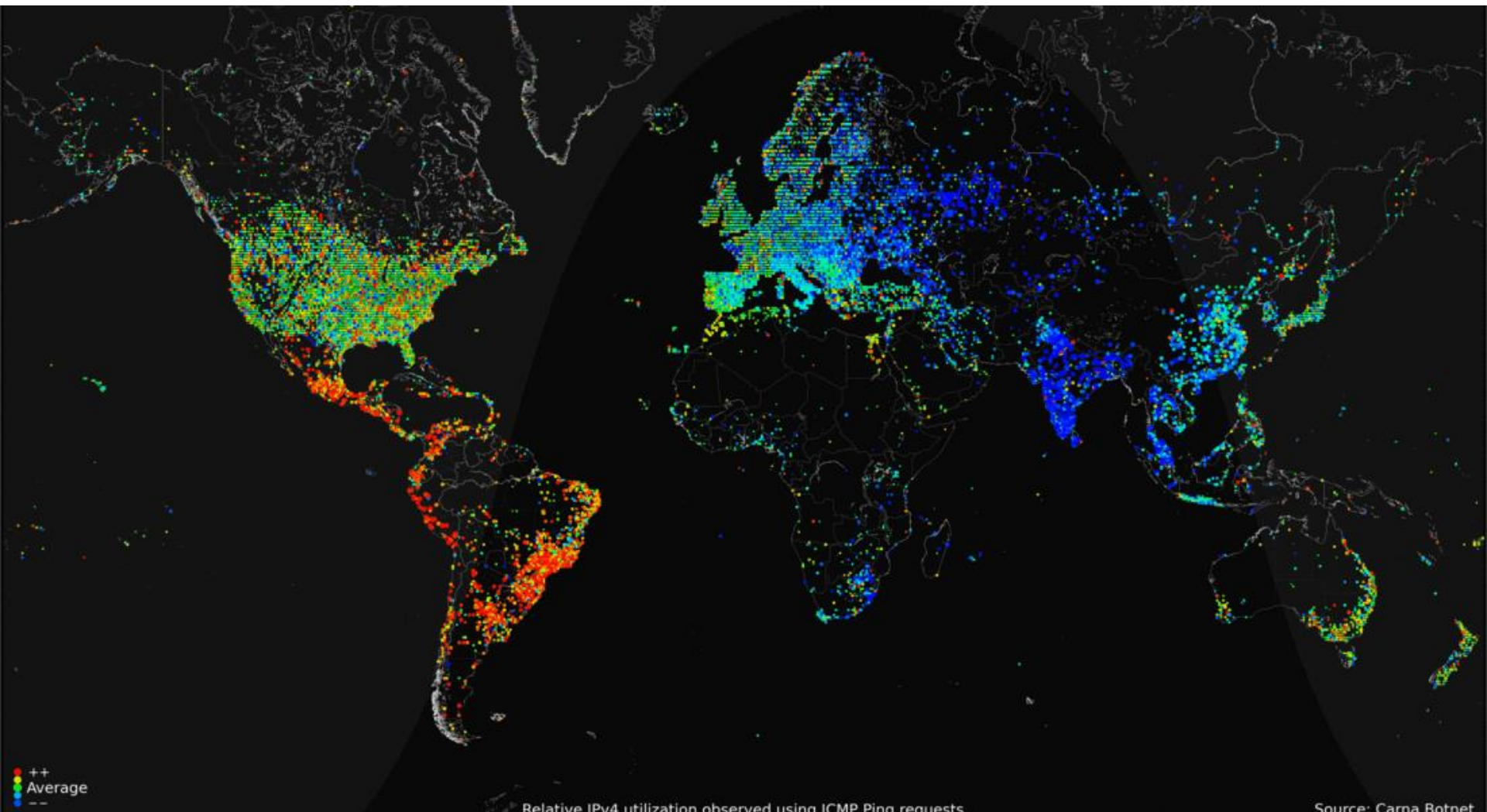
Connectivity



We are always
CONNECTED
and **FAST!**



www: max 19 clicks !



Informatie

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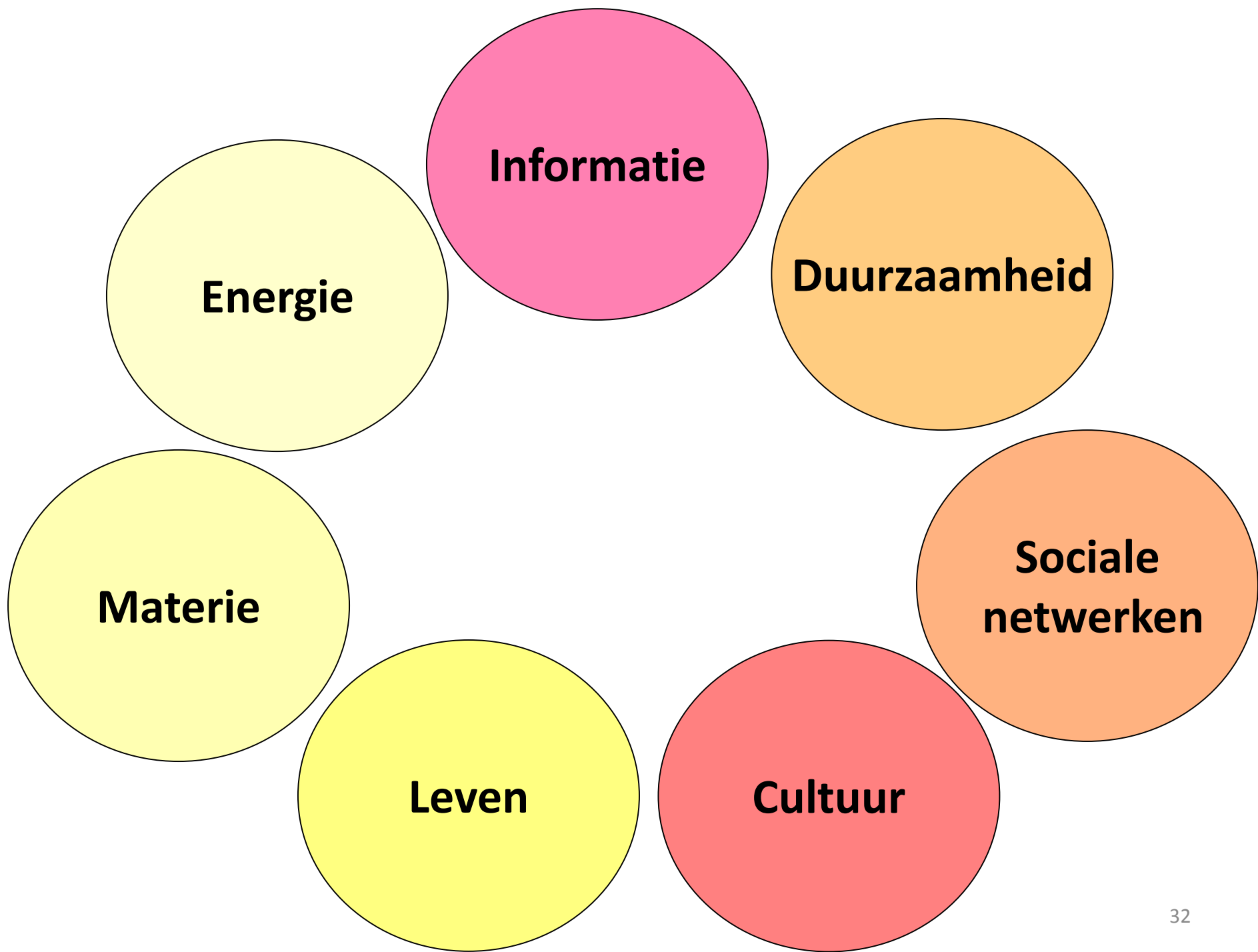
Energie

**Sociale
netwerken**

Materie

Cultuur





De wetenschap

1865: Mendel: Erfelijkheidswetten

1944: Avery/MacLeod/McCarty: DNA = drager erfelijk materiaal

1953: Watson/Crick: DNA dubbele helix

1965: Restriction enzymen: DNA 'scharen'

1966: Nirenberg/Khorana/Holley: Genetische code ontrafeld

1972: Cohen/Boyer: Recombinant DNA, transfer van gene naar
bacteria

1977: Sanger/Maxam/Gilbert: DNA sequenceer methodes

1982: Insuline door transgene bacteria

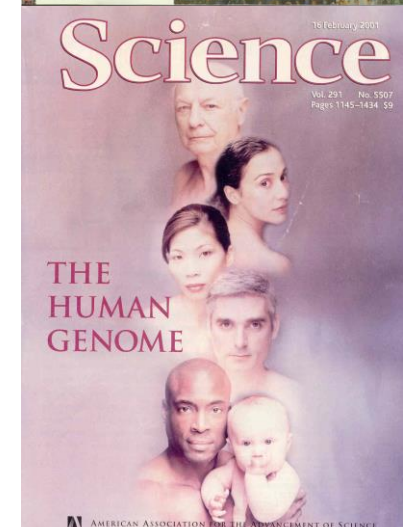
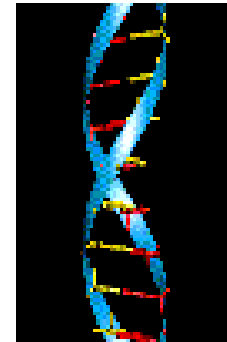
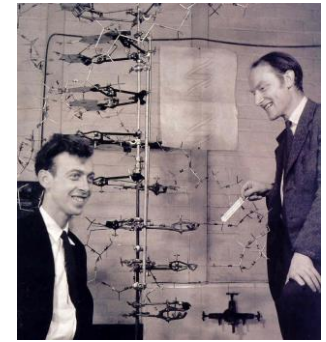
1985: Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

1991: Eerste transgeen dier: Herman de stier

1994: Genetisch Gemodificeerde Tomaten

1997: Eerste gekloond dier: Dolly

2001: Menselijk Genoom Project



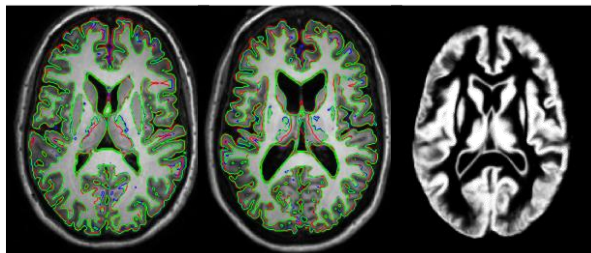
Tsunami van data door technologische vooruitgang



Computer Tomography



Magnetic resonance

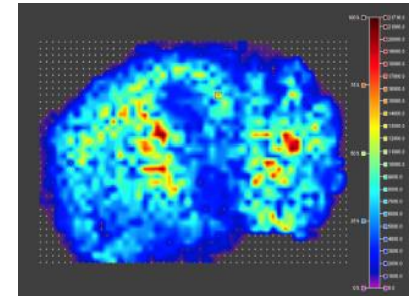
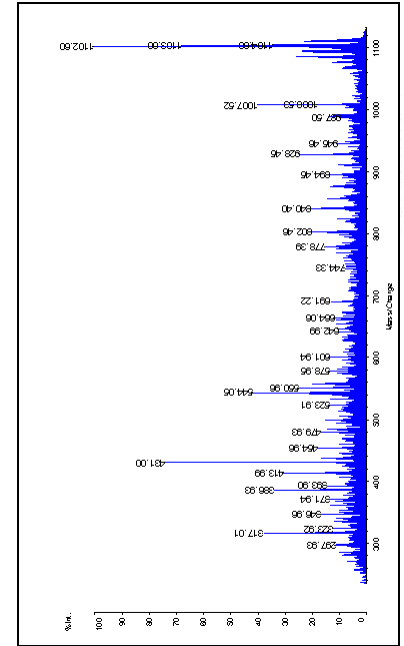


GS-FLX Roche
Applied Science 454

Sequencers

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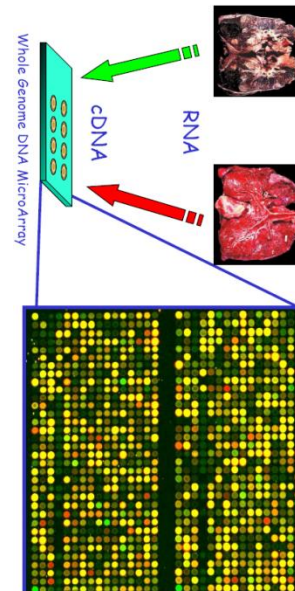
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Mass spectrometry

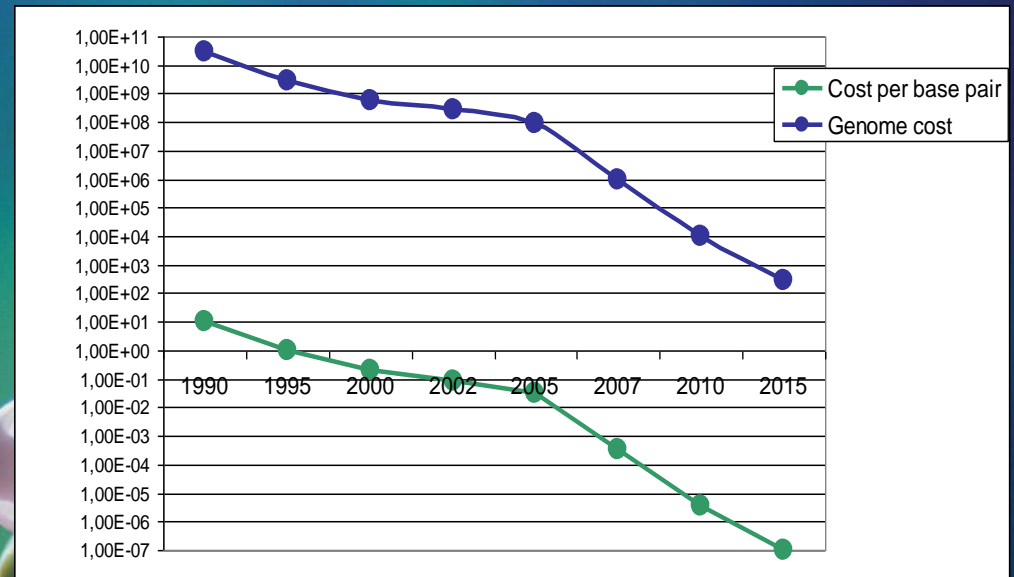


Microarrays
(DNA chips)



Genome data

- **Human genome project**
 - Initial draft: June 2000
 - Final draft: April 2003
 - 13 year project
 - \$300 million value with 2002 technology
- **Personal genome**
 - June 1, 2007
 - Genome of James Watson, co-discoverer of DNA double helix, is sequenced
 - \$1.000.000
 - Two months
- **€1000-genome**
 - Expected 2012-2020



Year	Cost per base pair	Genome cost
1990	10	3E+10
1995	1	3.000.000.000
2000	0.2	600.000.000
2002	0.09	270.000.000
2005	0.03	90.000.000
2007	0.000333333	1.000.000
2010	3.33333E-06	10000
2015	0.0000001	300

index of 20 million Biomedical PubMed records

23 GigaByte

1 slice mouse brain MSI at 10 μ m resolution

81 GigaByte

raw NGS data of 1 full genome

1 TeraByte

sequencing all newborns by 2020 (125k births / year)

125 PetaByte / year

1 kB = 1000
1 MB = 1 000 000
1 GB = 1 000 000 000
1 TB = 1 000 000 000 000
1 PB = 1 000 000 000 000 000

1 small animal image

1 GigaByte

1 CD-ROM

750 MegaByte

PACS UZ Leuven

1,6 PetaByte

Genomics core HiSeq 2000 full speed exome sequencing

1 TeraByte / week

The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Mathematics in Molecular Biology^{*}

My title is an emulation of that of the well-known paper by E.P. Wigner, "The unreasonable effectiveness of mathematics in the natural sciences [1]." Of course the irony cuts in opposite ways in physics and molecular biology. In physics, mathematics is obviously effective—

many of the giants on whose shoulders physicists stand are mathematicians—and the surprise is Wigner's suggestion that this is unreasonable. In molecular biology, the proper role of mathematics is not obvious, and there is fear, far more credible than for physics, that it may be unreasonable to expect mathematics to be effective. Of course, many common *tools* of computational molecular biology—for instance, searching in databases for sequences similar to a probe sequence—are certainly based on mathematics and computer science. But whether our ultimate understanding of living processes will be expressed in the language of

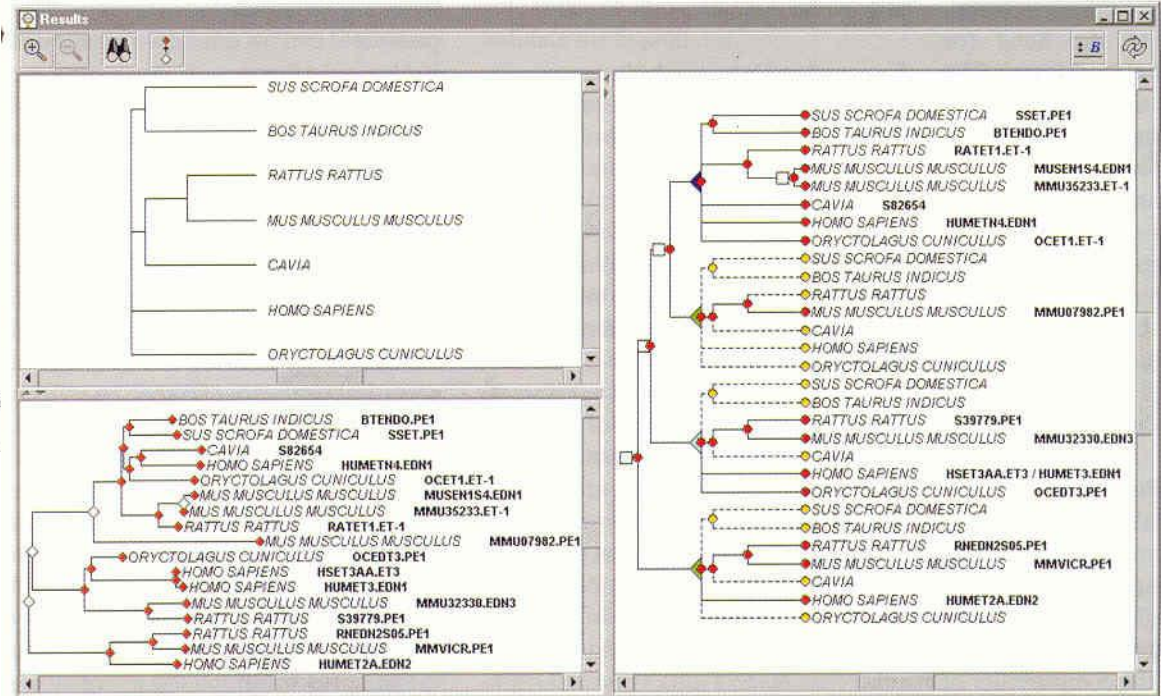
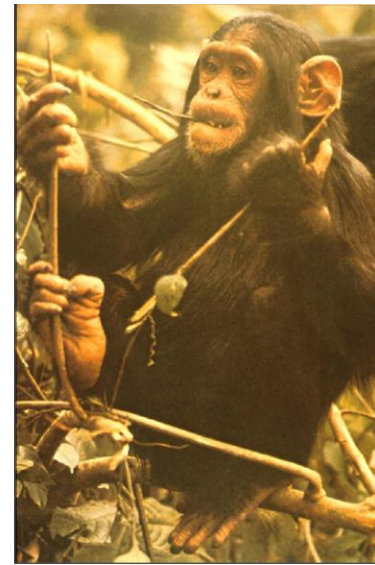
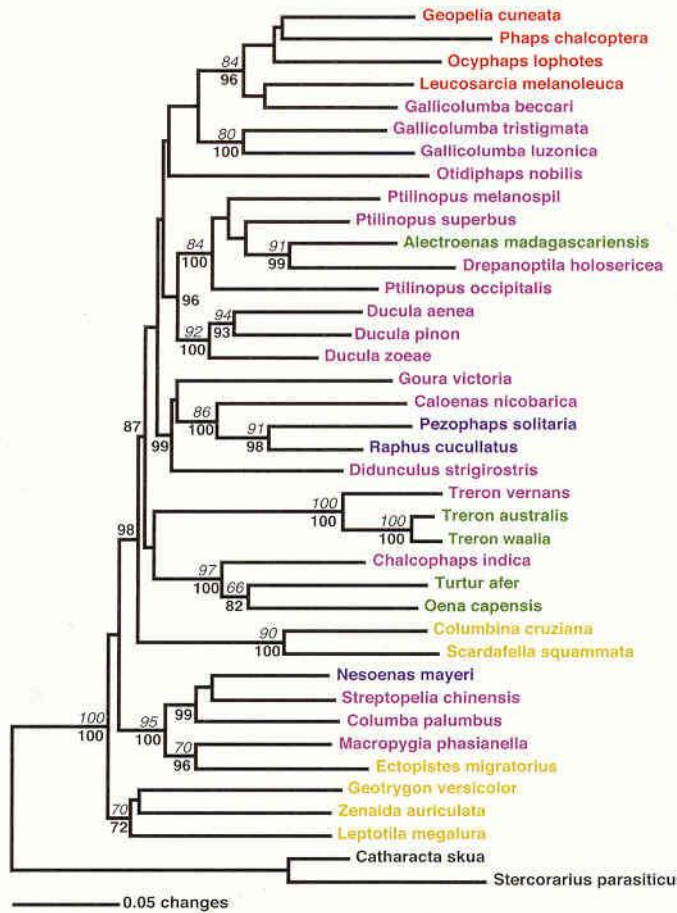
mathematics—in the way, for example, that concepts of symmetry underlie the statement of laws of physics—or in the traditional descriptive "anecdotal" language of biology, is still moot.

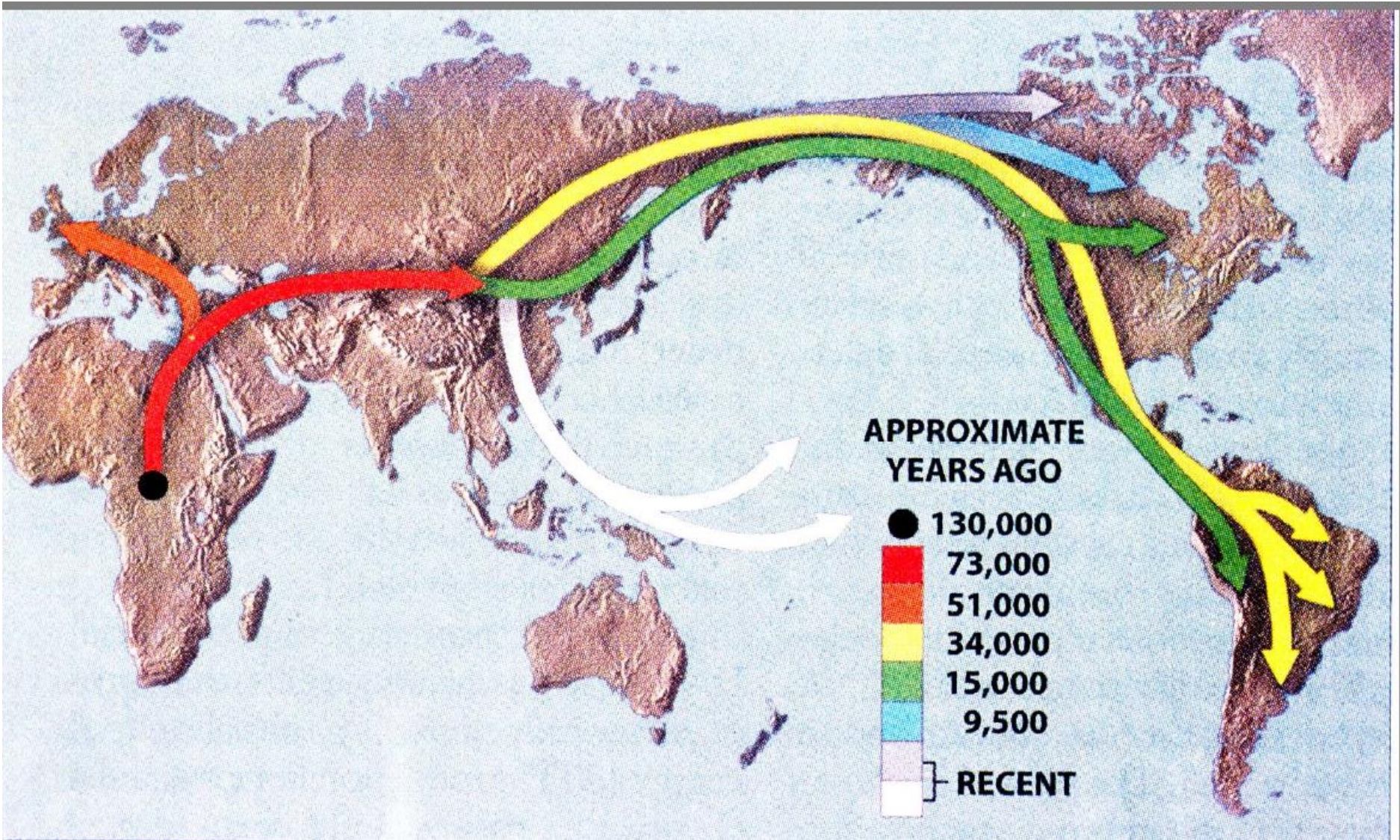
Why might it be reasonable to doubt the effectiveness of mathematics in biology? Observed properties of living systems are determined by a combination of

- The laws of physics and chemistry
- The mechanism of evolution
- Historical accident

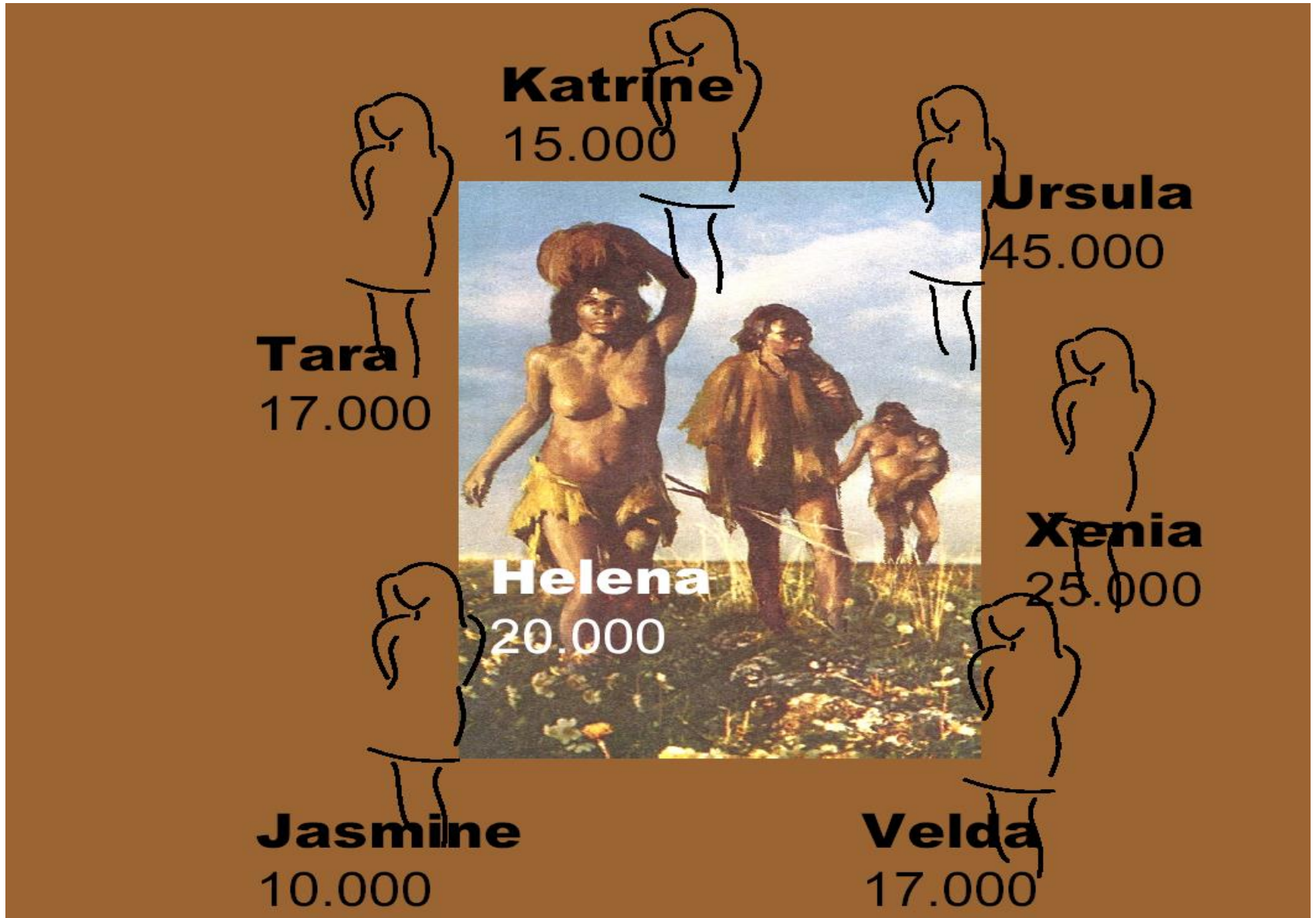
It is difficult to sort out their effects, and a creative tension among them pervades our investigations. Many of the laws of physics describe the natural world—including living systems—by specifying relations between initial and fi-

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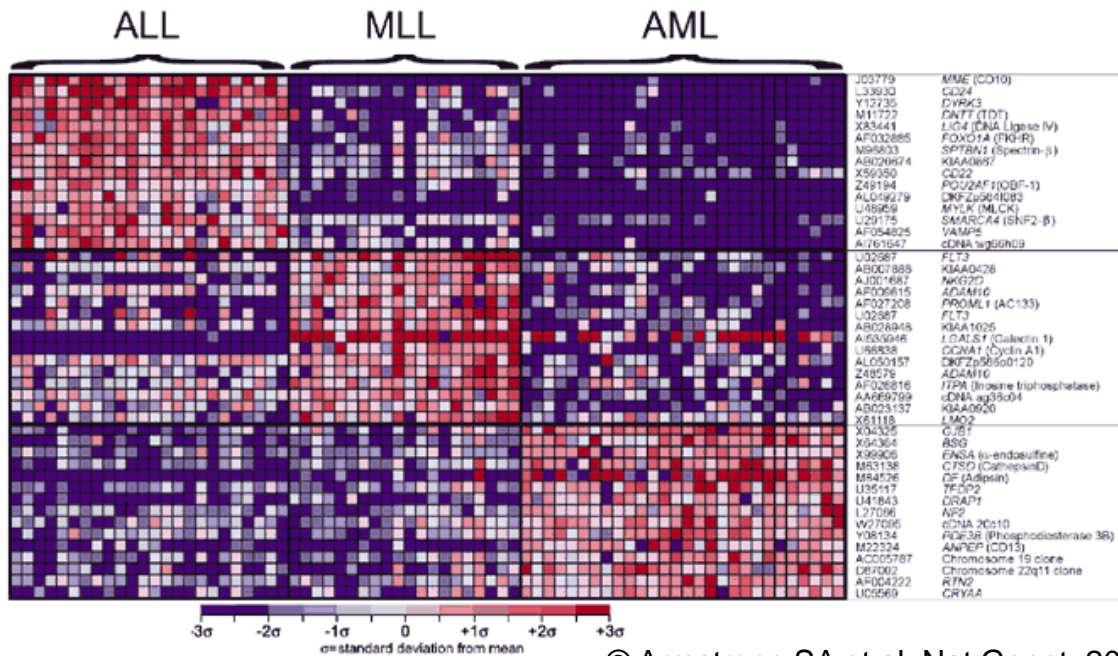




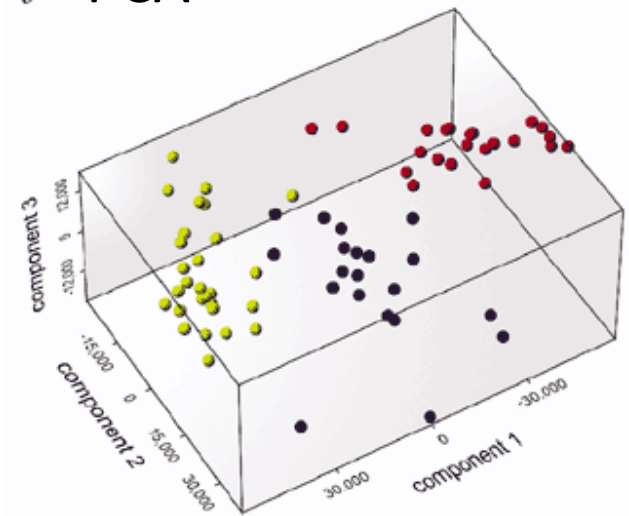
Mitochondrial DNA: Europa's moeders



Diagnose van leukemie gebaseerd op genetische biomarkers



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12 600 genes

72 patienten

- 28 Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL)
- 24 Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML)
- 20 Mixed Linkage Leukemia (MLL)

Transdisciplinaire ingenieursontwerpen



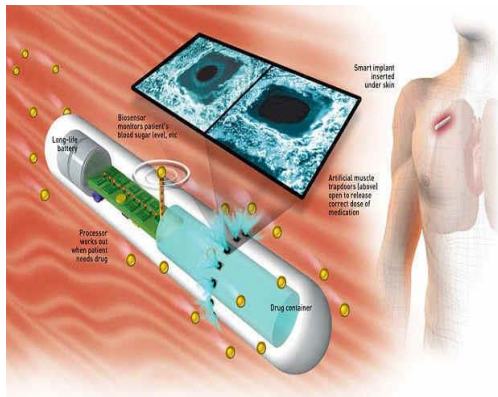
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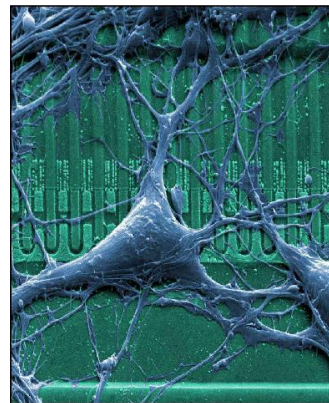
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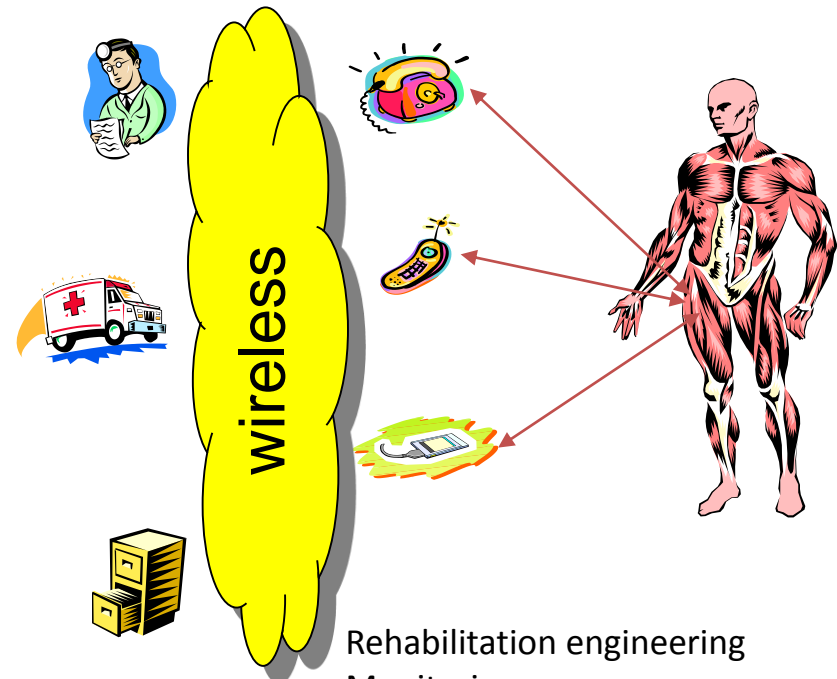
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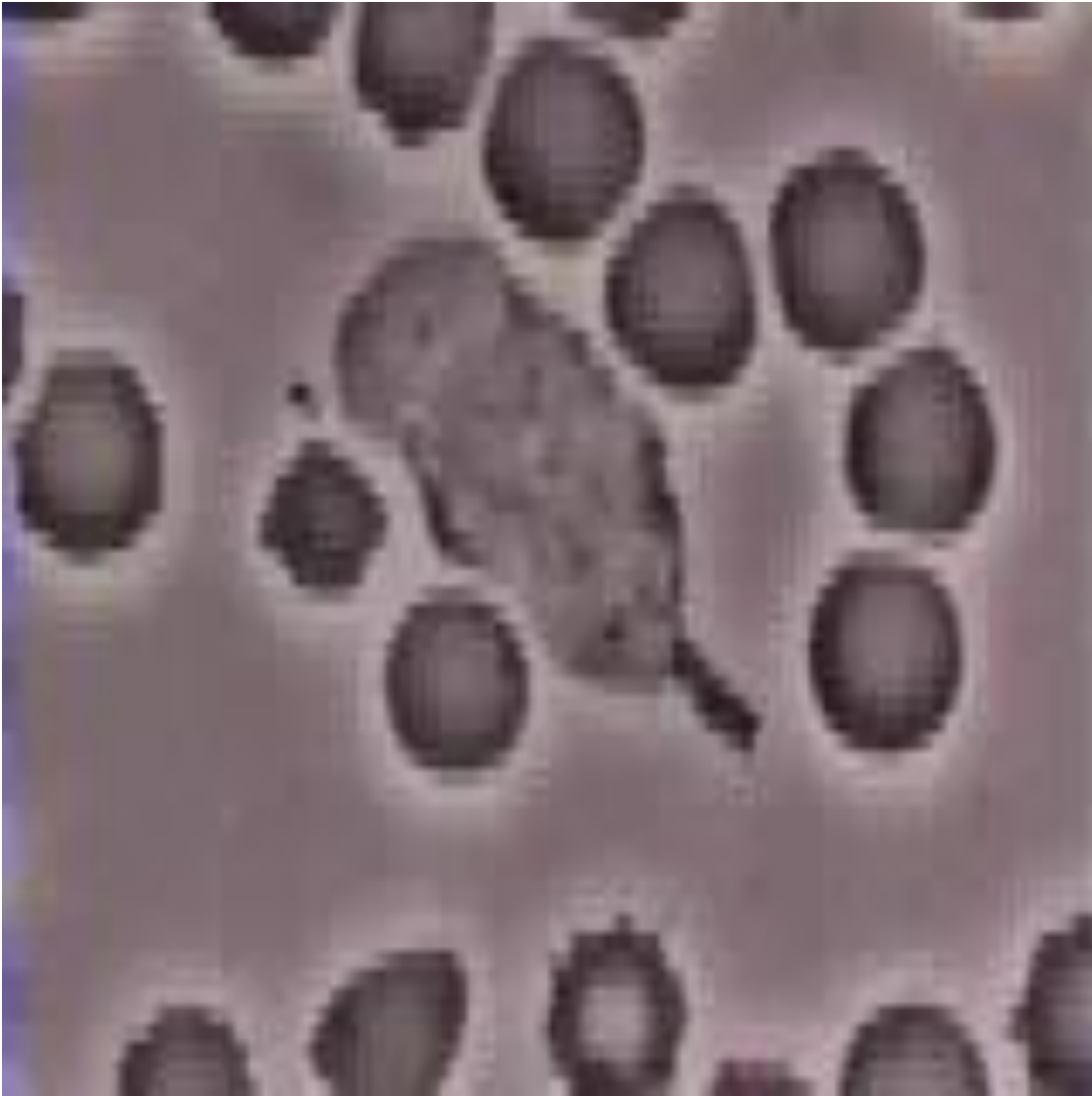
Embedded intelligence
Smart pills



Neuron on chip

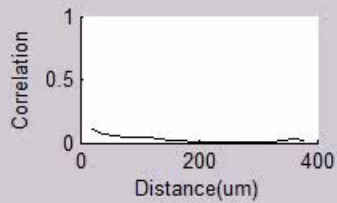
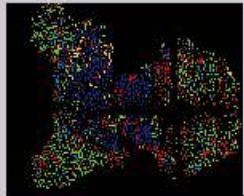
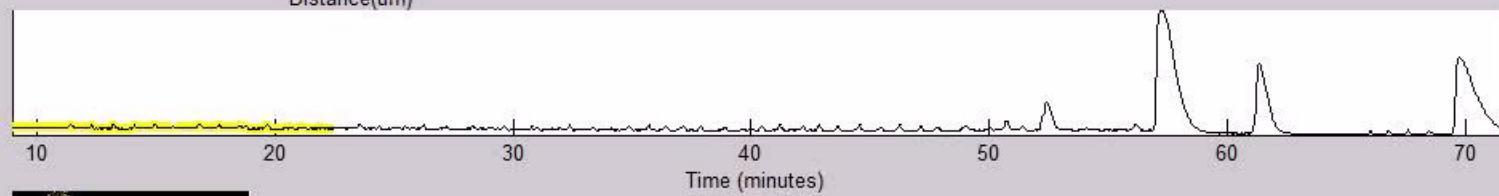
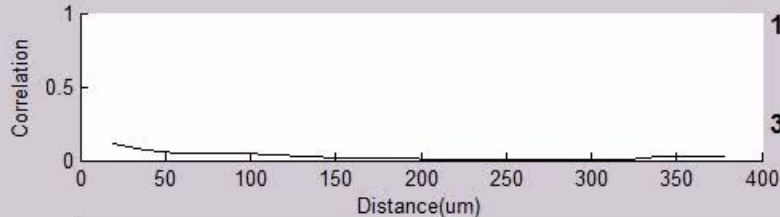
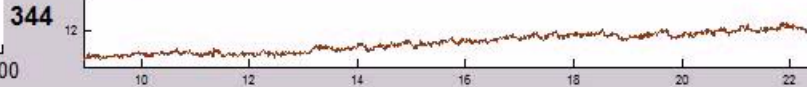
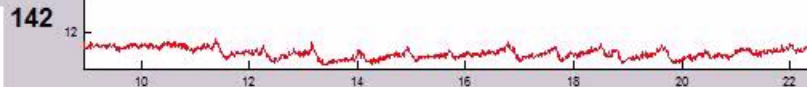
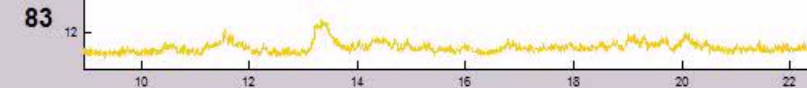
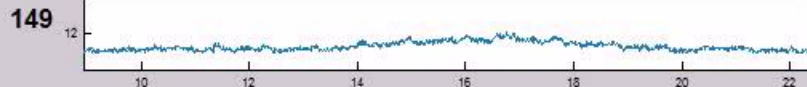
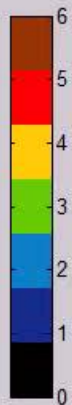
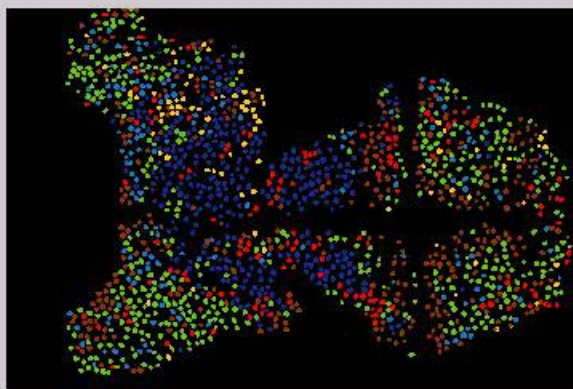


Rehabilitation engineering
Monitoring
Sensors: EEG, glucose, blood, DNA, ...
Add-ons: vision, hearing, implants, ...

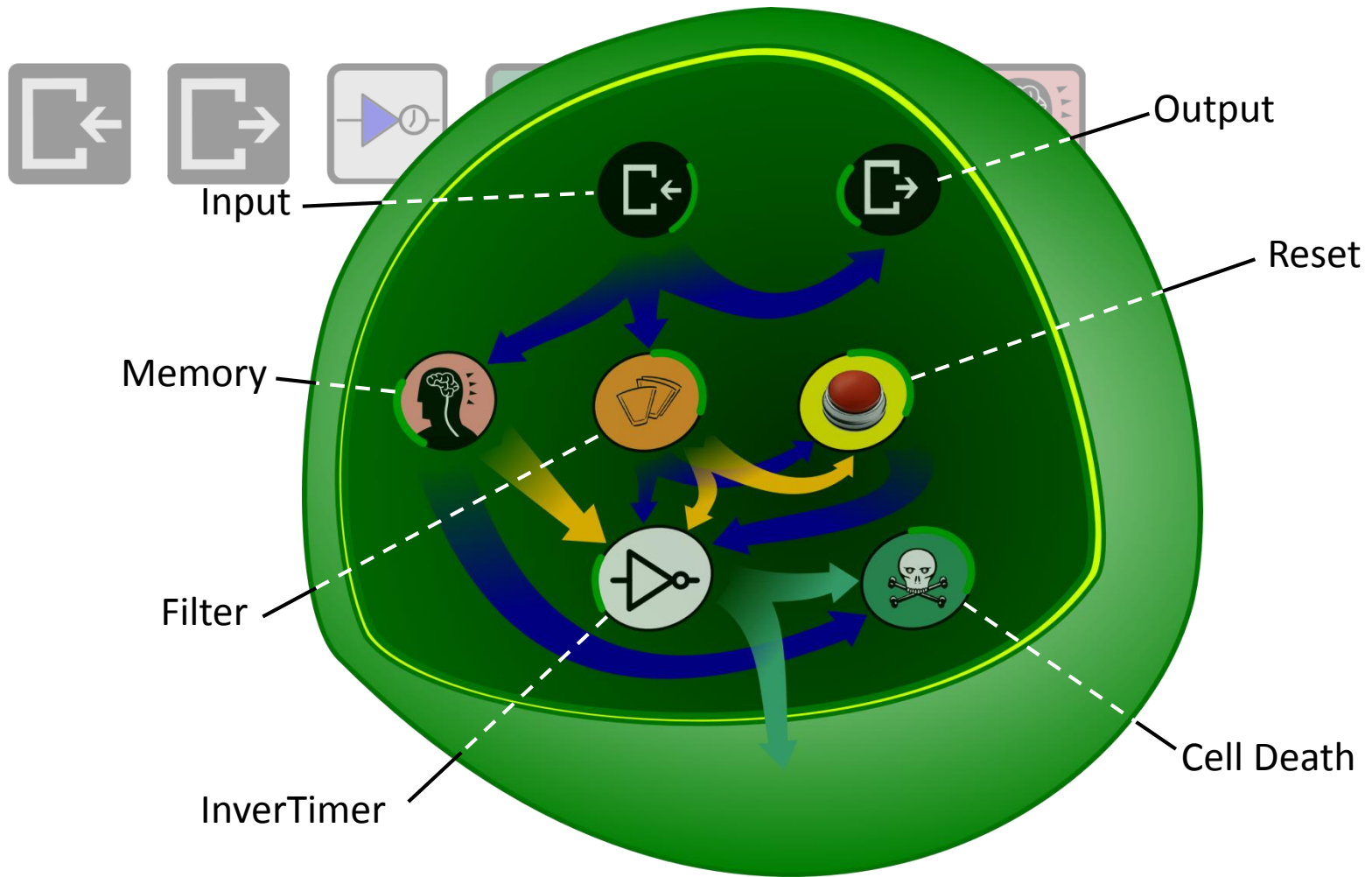


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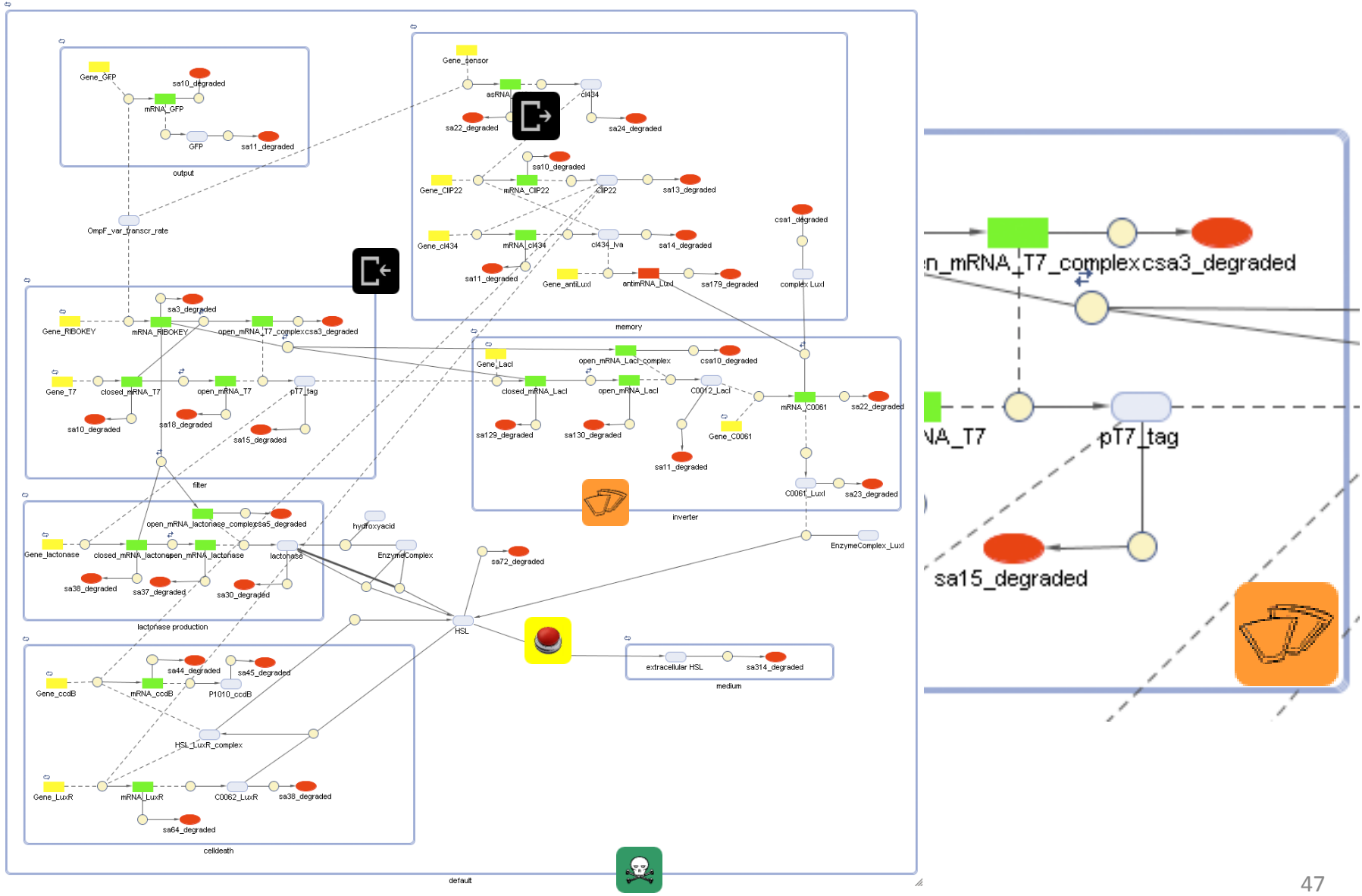




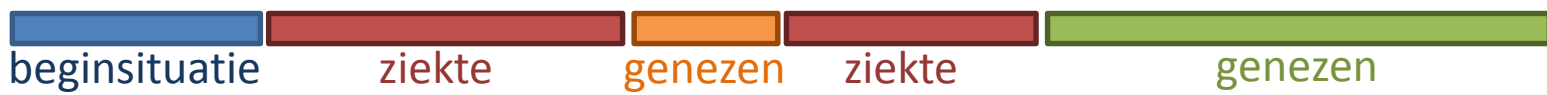
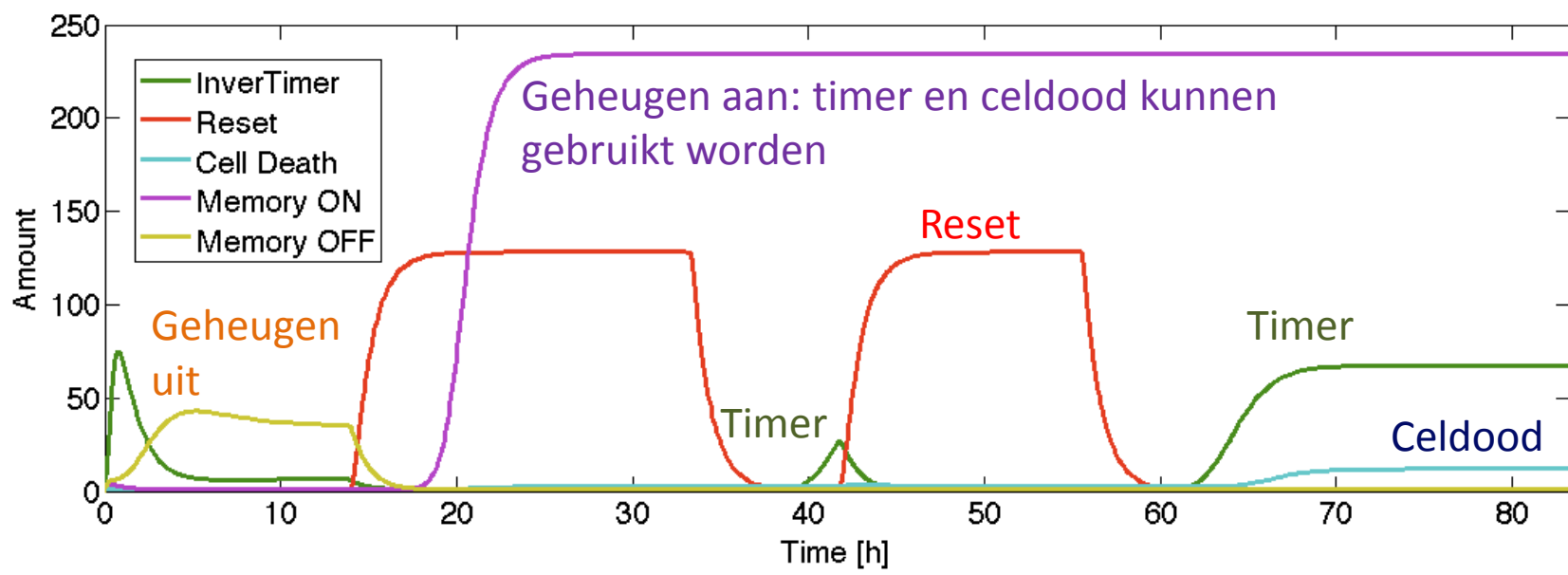
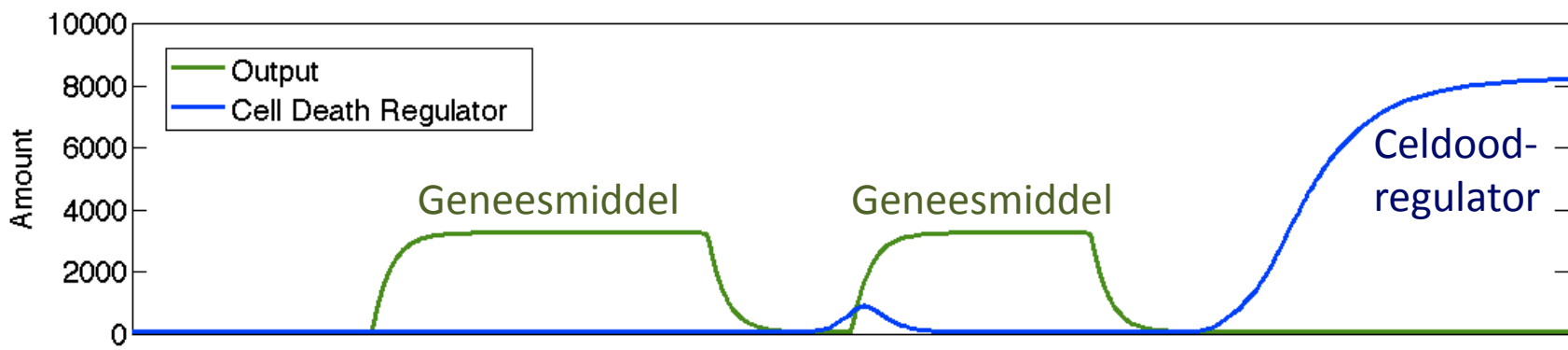
Synthetische biologie: Ontwerp een bacterie die kankercellen detecteert en vernietigt



in silico model Dr. Coli



Dr. Coli doet zijn job !



Life goes live ?

- Design life ?
- Design bacteria voor energie, clean tech, menselijke therapie
- Design artificiele organen
- **Three deficits**
 - Legaal (de wet loopt achter)
 - Democratisch (zijn beleids mensen voldoende geschoold ?)
 - Ethisch (not how but what !) (GGO, stamcellen, in vitro fertilisatie,)



1. Wat is

1. Wetenschap ?
2. Technologie ?
3. Engineering ?

1. Analyseren en ontwerpen in de zeven ingenieurssferen

1. Materie
2. Energie
3. Informatie
4. Duurzaamheid
5. Sociale netwerken
6. Cultuur
7. Leven