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Dan Bricklin chronicles his life in the computer world with pictures and text.
From the co-creator of VisiCalc, the first PC spreadsheet.

danbricklin.com/log

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Send comments to Dan at [comments at bricklin dot com](mailto:comments@bricklin.com).

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Dan Bricklin's Log

The life of Dan Bricklin as a Chief Technology Officer, PC Industry old-timer, and amateur photographer

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Thursday, September 15, 2005

Podcast with Toby Redshaw of Motorola and FIOS update [\[link\]](#)

Last night we posted another DiamondCluster Wavelengths podcast. This one was with Toby Redshaw, Motorola corporate vice president, Corporate IT Strategy, Architecture and e-Business. Before Motorola he spent 17 years at Federal Express where he held several senior IT and business positions. Toby clearly knows his big company IT.

He talked about cell phones from an IT perspective. He talked about how they fit in with Motorola's internal IT environment, where innovation is coming from, Motorola's experience with Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) for IT and what they've learned, seamless mobility, and more.

Here are some points: They are working on "seamlessly mobile set of solutions...that allows you to move between networks...regardless of whether you are in your home, you're in your office, you're out on the carrier network, or you're in your car." [4:50]. With regards to SOA, two surprises: The

Topics

This log covers my thoughts on making web sites, the computer industry, digital photography, PC history, conferences I attend, and people I know or run into.

New readers may want to see my ["Best of this log"](#) page.

Some Links Mentioned in the Last Few Months

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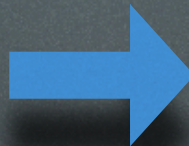
A weblog is a reverse-
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Jon Udell

InfoWorld



Hyperlinks (are supposed to) matter

An InfoWorld article of mine called [Hyperlinks Matter](#) appeared online yesterday. As Robert J Seymour [points out](#), the title was ironic in view of InfoWorld's no-links policy:

If you really want to rally for better URL addressing, please start with your own article. This would be a far more useful article if direct links were provided to the quoted sources and mentioned discussions. [rsjr]

Agreed. I hope to see a more web-friendly InfoWorld in the future. Meanwhile, here are some of the links related to the piece:

- Sjoerd Visscher's [URIs for Dynamic Pages](#)
- [W3C Technical Architecture Group mailing list, May 2000](#)
- Paul Prescod's [Extreme Web Services posting](#) to rest-discuss
- W3C primer on [URIs, URLs, URNs...](#)

And here are some that were in the illustration that will appear in the magazine, but did not appear on the web:

1. Macromedia publishes an [XML-formatted newsfeed](#) for developers
2. The W3C's [XSLT transformation service](#)
3. An [XSLT stylesheet](#) that transforms Macromedia's feed into RSS format
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Identity 2.0: The Movie

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XQuery Apache Module

From Freshmeat:

Native XmlDB Query Daemon is a client-server version of the Sleepycat native XML database deployed as an Apache module. The client is a pure Java API, supporting XQuery, XPath, and an Xml:DB API layer. It comes with a graphical admin console. Server binaries are provided for Linux x86 and x86-AMD64; for other platforms, compile from source.

*From [freshmeat.net](#): [Project details for Native XmlDB Query Daemon](#)
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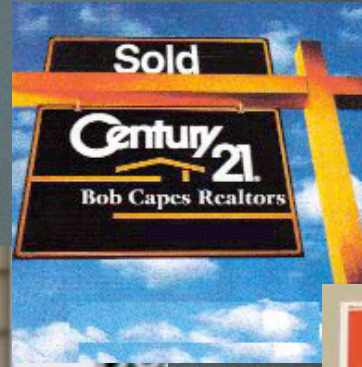
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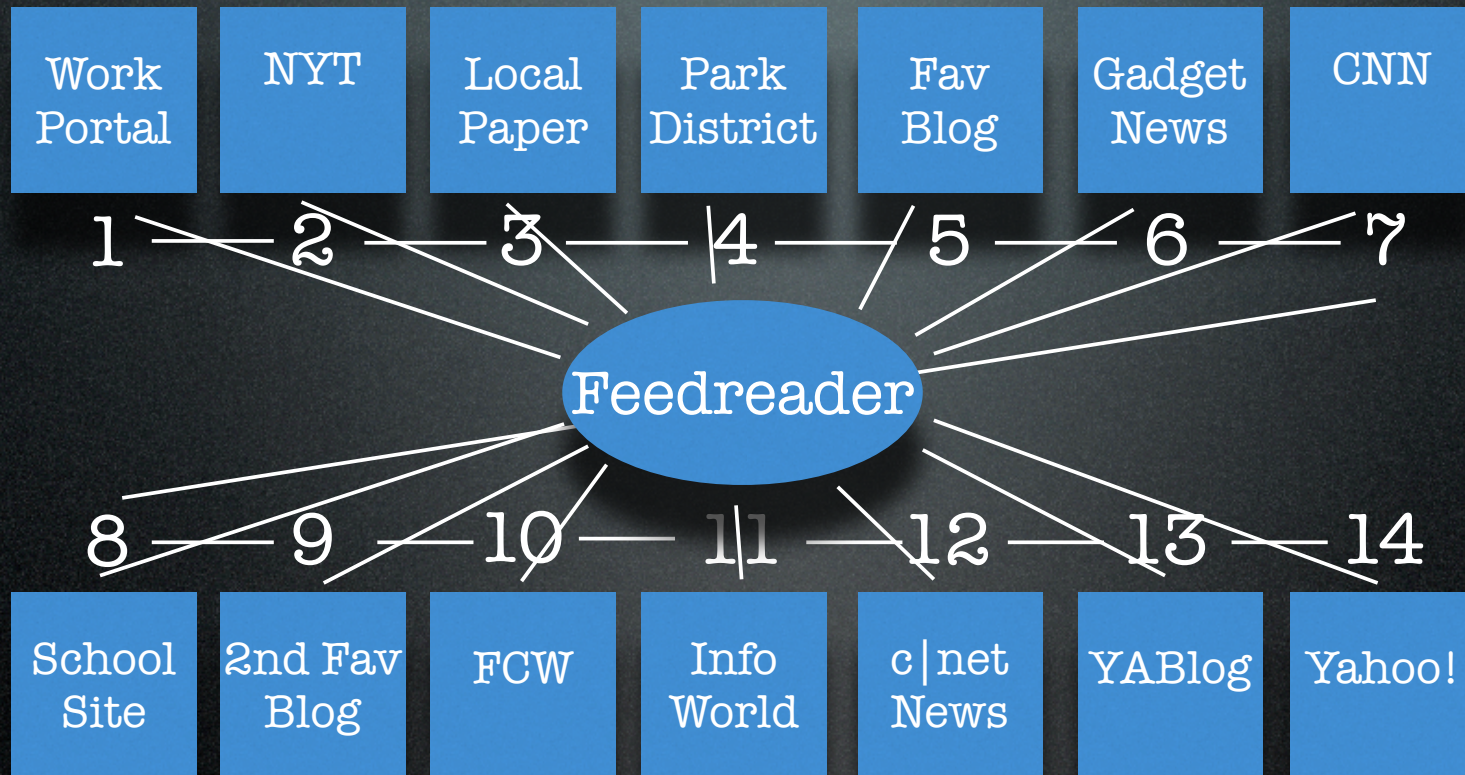






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Turtle Beach Noise Cancelling Headphones Review



The Turtle Beach Noise Canceling Headphones had a pretty steep hill to climb with me right from the start, because I have a [middle outer](#) ear that is apparently atypically small, meaning there is nary a set of buds that will stay in my head for more than a few seconds at a time. These headphones were no exception, worming their way out of my ears (especially the left) every few seconds, as if the noise was coming out of the speakers like a jet flume. They were comfortable—the foam wrappers seem especially thick—but oversized and awkward.

Next refresh: 18:35 <http://www.gizmodo.com/archives/turtle-beach-noise-cancelling-headphones-review-024607.php>

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IIW2005: Hotels and Wiki - 1 day ago
Ross Mayfield donated a wiki for Internet Identity Workshop 2005 and we've started to put it to use. Kallya has put together some hotel information for Berkeley. We also have a page for Day One, which we'll fill out from the proposals...

Utah Politics edit x

Utah Disaster Management? - 1 day ago
By Bryan Catherman Over the last two weeks, we have witnessed government in action. The relationships between federal, state, and local governments in the south seem to be getting adjusted and schooled by recent problems. If Utah officials are learning...

Utah Gas Tax Reprieve - 1 day ago
From KCPW: State leaders are considering lifting Utah's gas tax to give consumers a reprieve from rising fuel prices. Utah Governor Jon Huntsman tells KCPW radio, "I'm open to any option that would alleviate the burden that is now..."

Seeing the Mind of the Candidates - 1 day ago
I've mentioned Steve Urquhart's blog and, of course Orin's blog has everyone talking. It's only fair to mention Pete Ashdown's blog as well. Pete's blog is well done (using WordPress) and contains a smattering of entries...

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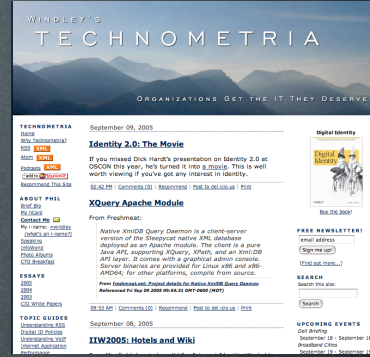
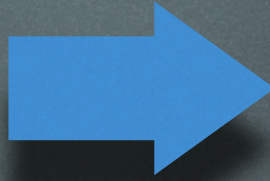
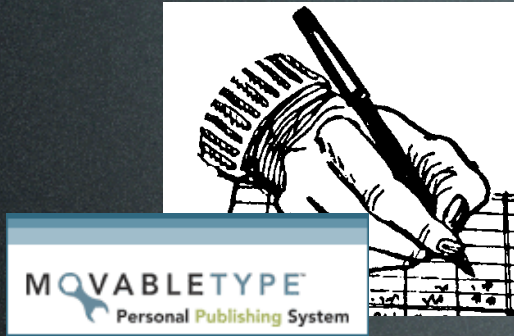
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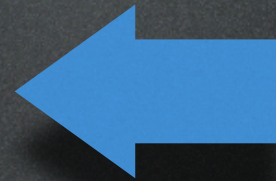
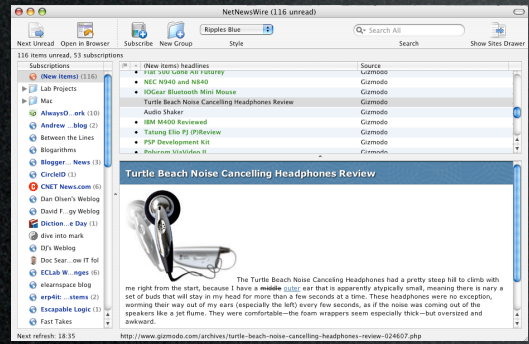
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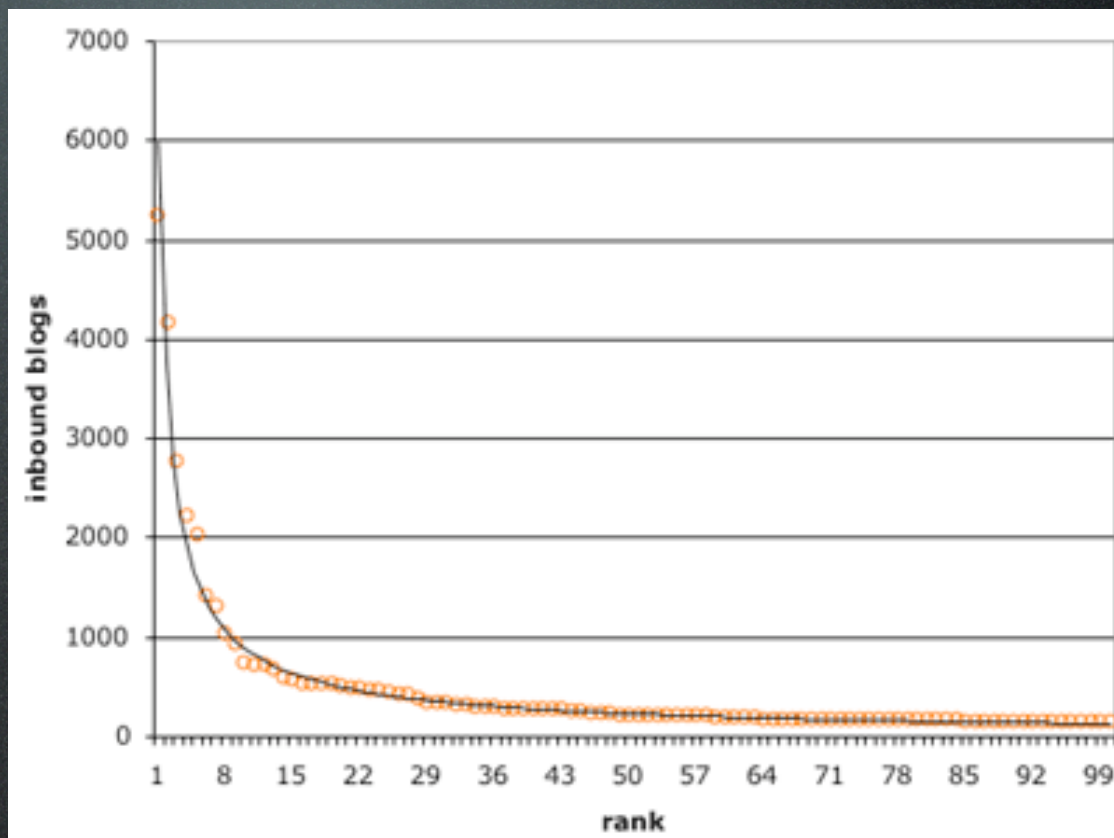
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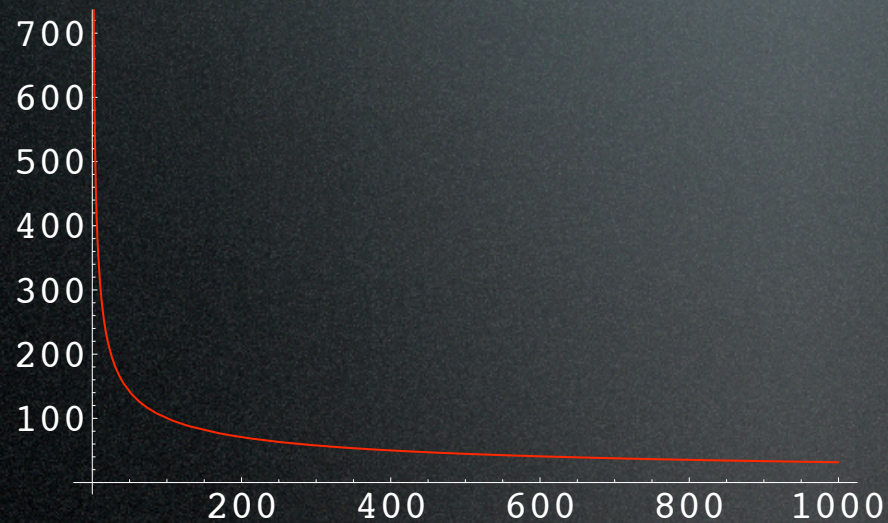


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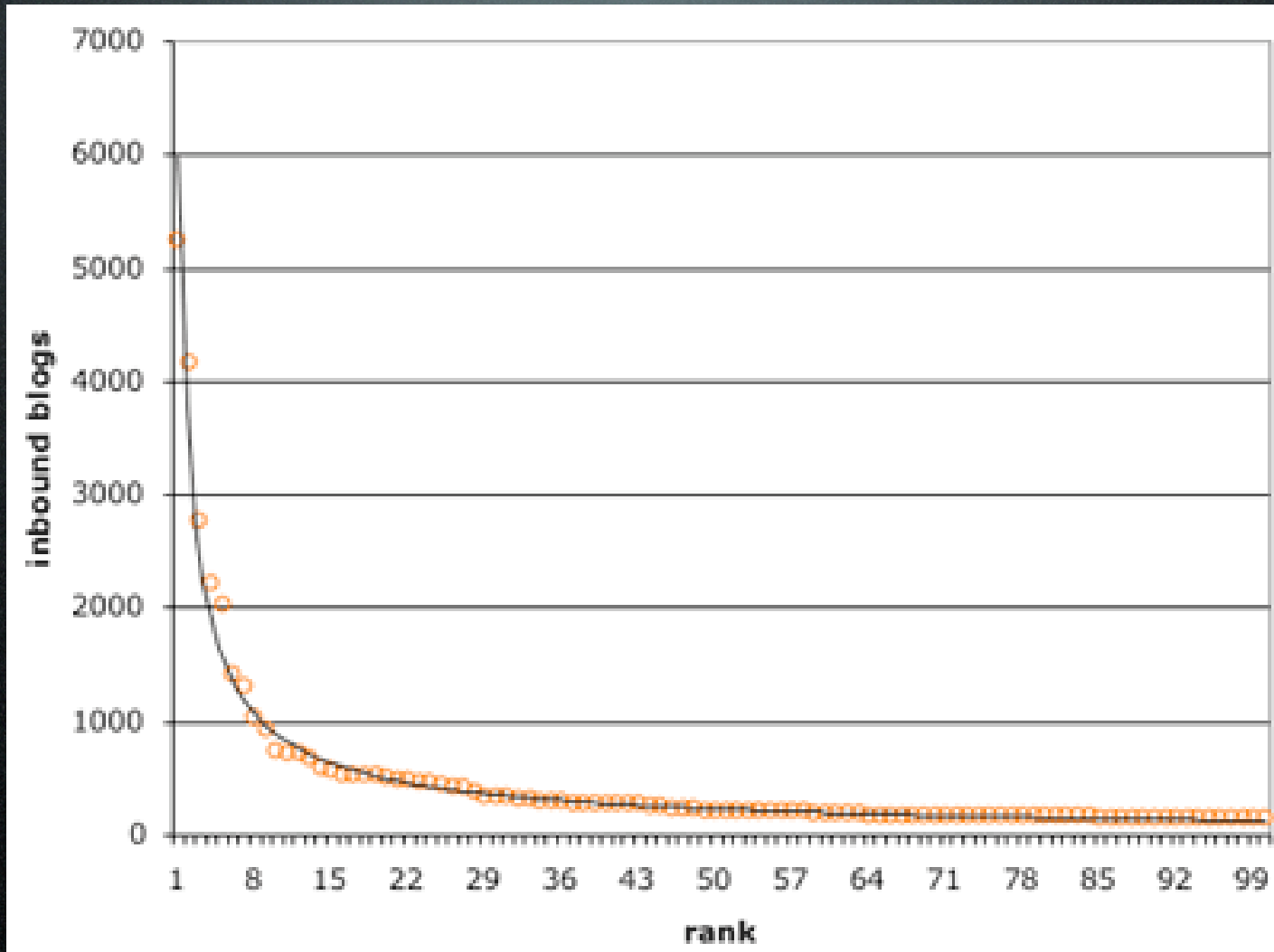
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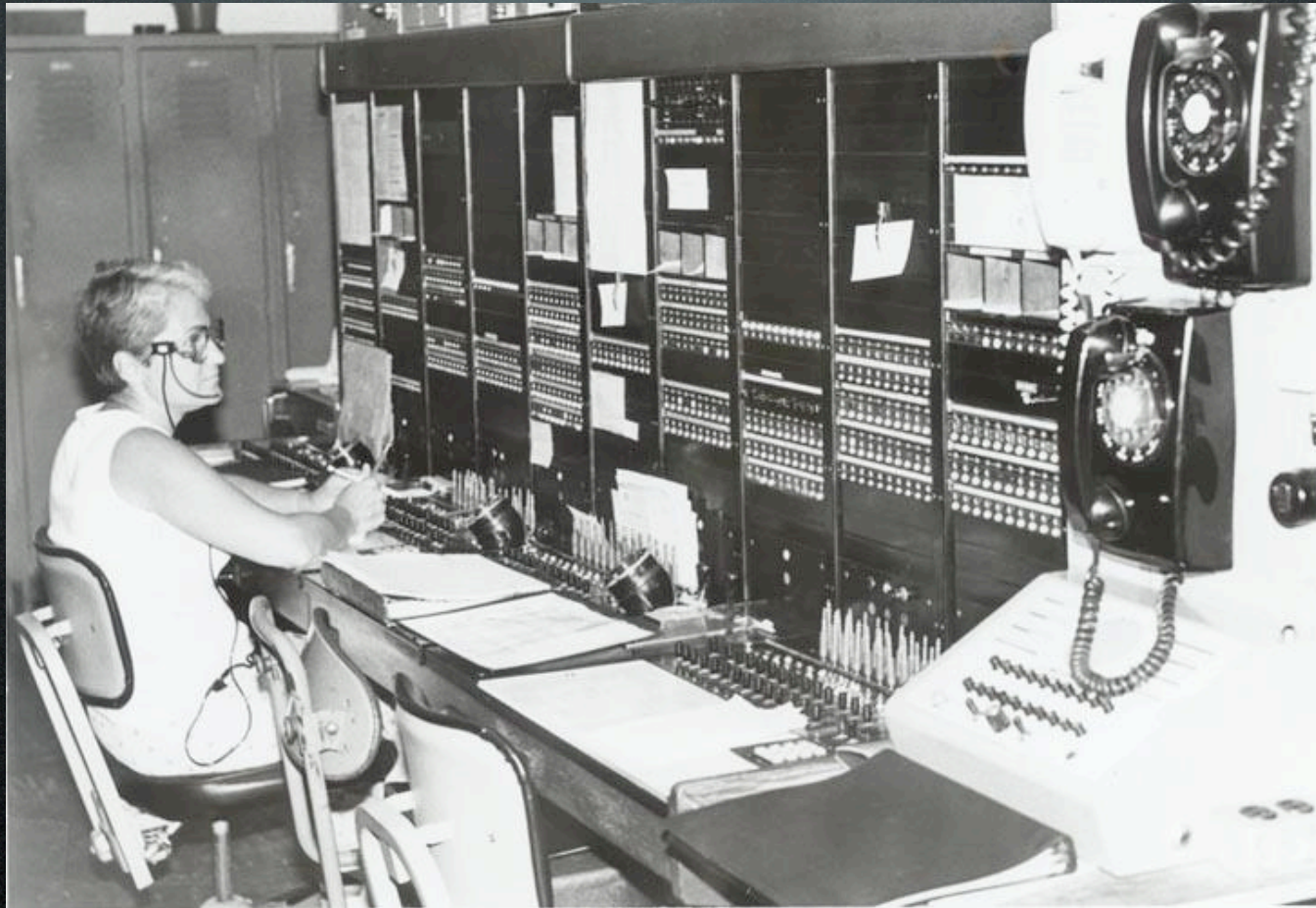


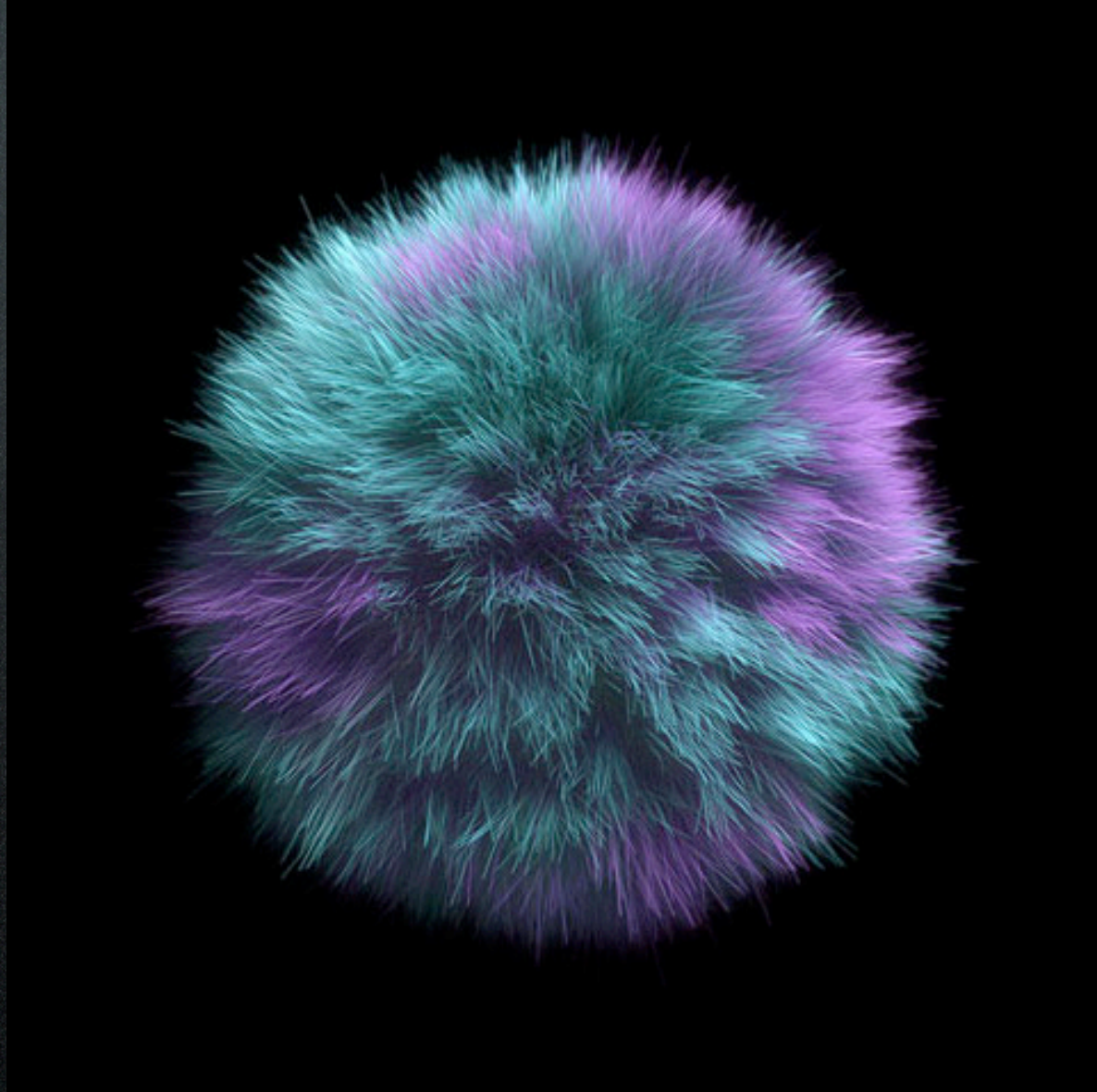
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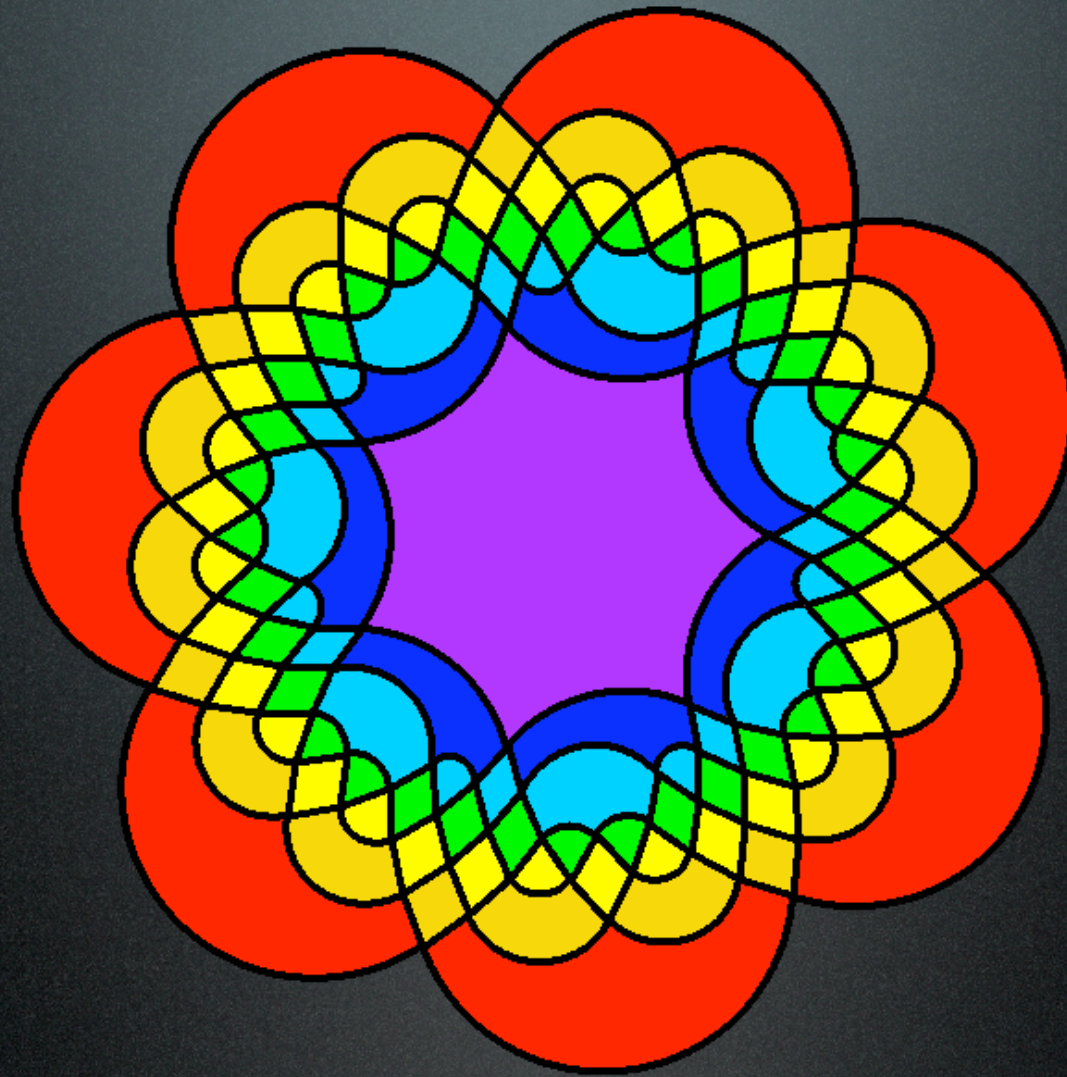
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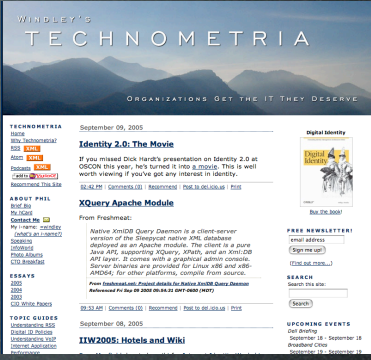
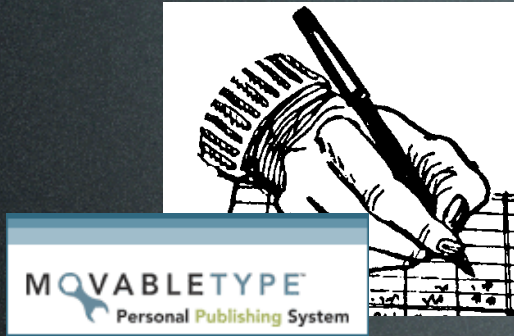
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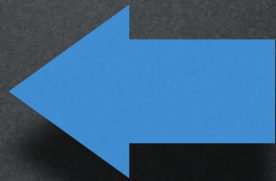
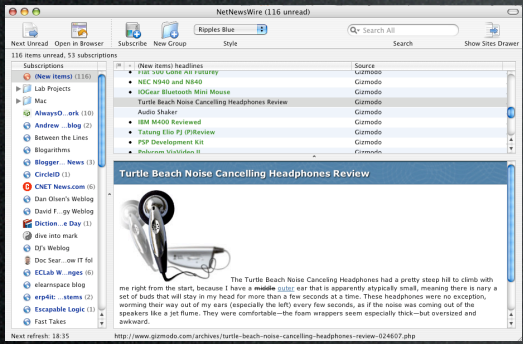
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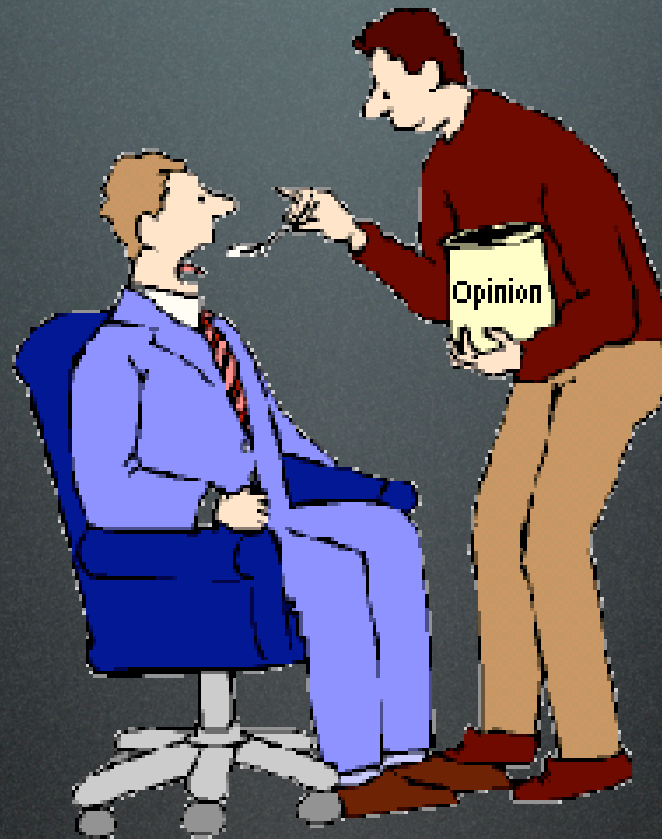
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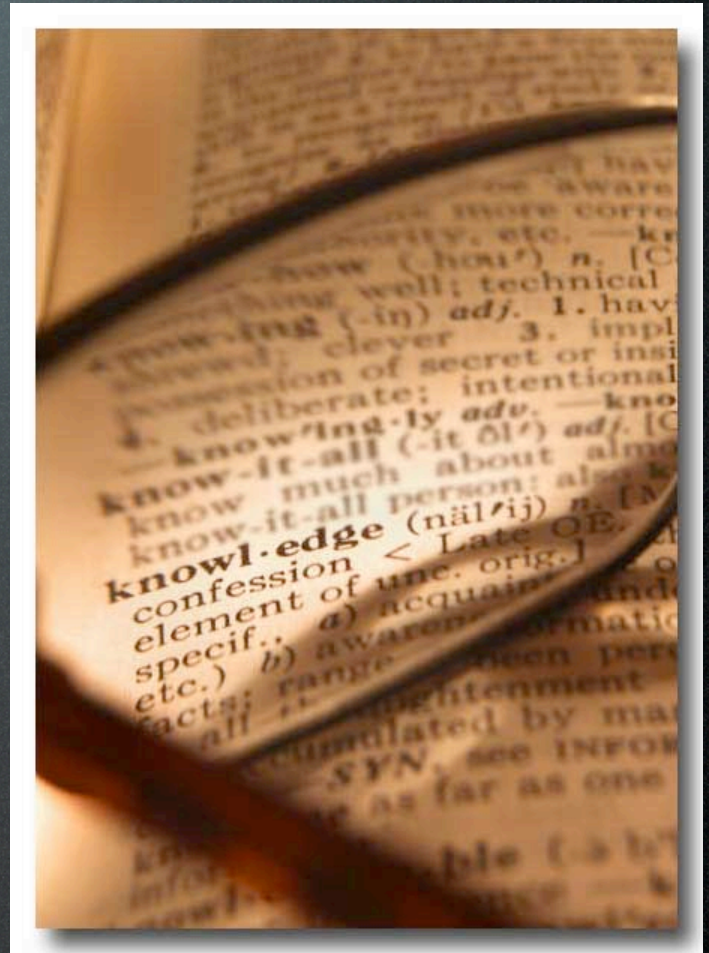
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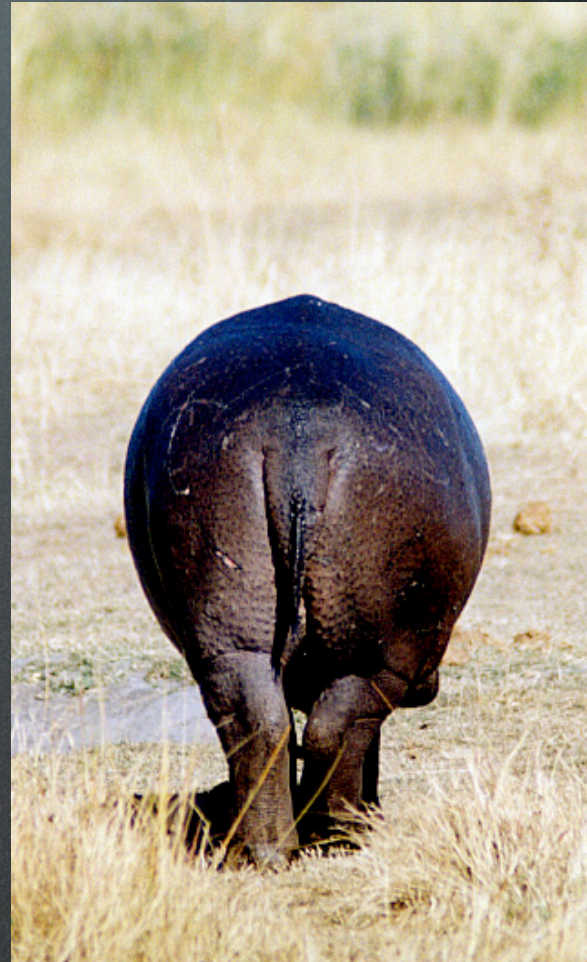
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It has grown to become one of the largest private universities in the [United States](#) and one of the world's largest church-affiliated schools, with an enrollment of roughly 32,400 undergraduate students at the beginning of [2003](#). BYU is located in [Provo](#).

The main campus sits on approximately 600 acres (2.43 km²) at the foot of the [Wasatch Mountains](#) and includes 333 buildings. The campus is extensively landscaped, with many flower beds, lawns, and trees. The buildings on the campus are mostly plain and utilitarian (with a few rare exceptions).

The students at BYU are overwhelmingly [LDS](#) ([Mormon](#)), drawn mostly from the national population of academically-oriented LDS high school students.

Additional facilities include a study center in [Israel](#) (the [BYU Jerusalem Center](#), not currently in operation); a satellite campus to the north in Utah's capital and largest city, [Salt Lake City](#), (the [BYU Salt Lake Center](#)); and study centers all over the world, including [Nauvoo, IL](#), a town that figures prominently in [Latter-day Saint](#) history (the [Joseph Smith Academy](#)).

The [LDS Church](#) also has sister four-year schools in [Lāʻie, Hawaiʻi](#) ([Brigham Young University-Hawaii](#)) and [Rexburg, Idaho](#) ([Brigham Young University-Idaho](#)) These schools enroll an additional 12,000 students. The church also runs LDS Business College, a two-year school in downtown Salt Lake City. All these schools are institutionally independent from Brigham Young University, with their own administrations and accreditation.

Brigham Young University



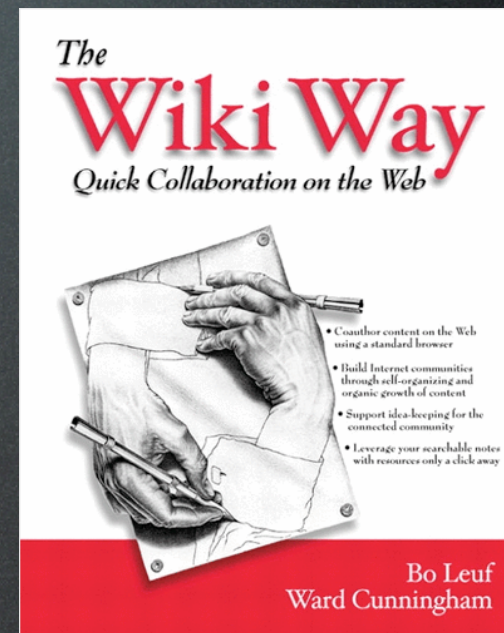
Name	Brigham Young University
Location (main campus)	Provo, UT 84602
Established	October 16, 1875
Community	Urban
Type	Private coeducational
Classification	Parochial
Religion	Owned by the LDS Church

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Quasiquotation and Unquote

We know that `quote` can be used to define a literal s-expression like so:

```
(define blogroll
  '((name "Technometria")
    (url www.windley.com)
    (description "Best blog I've ever read!")
    (updated 19 jan 2005 15:37)))
```

Favorite?

But suppose we want to create a function that creates a blogroll entry? Using what we know so far, we have to use `list`:

```
(define make-entry^
  (lambda (name url desc updated)
    (list (list 'name name)
          (list 'url url)
          (list 'description desc)
          (cons 'updated updated))))
```

Running this function gives us what we expect:

```
(make-entry^ "Technometria" 'www.windley.com
             "Best blog I've ever read!"
             '(19 jan 2005 15:37))

((name "Technometria")
 (url www.windley.com)
 (description "Best blog I've ever read!")
 (updated 19 jan 2005 15:37))
```

But this function loses some of the understandability of just using `quote`. In my opinion, you have to think just a little too hard to tell if you've got it right. Fortunately, there's another kind of quoting called `quasiquote` that quotes just like `quote` but has an escape feature called `unquote`. We indicate a quasiquoted s-expression by prefixing it with a backquote (```) and indicate the expressions to be unquoted by prefixing a comma (`,`). Here's the `make-entry` function again:

```
(define make-entry^^
  (lambda (name url desc updated)
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      (Url ,url)
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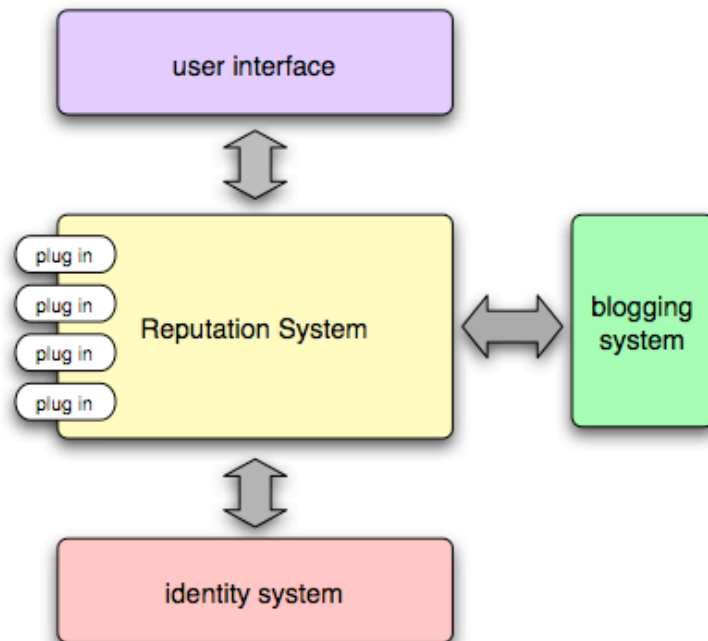

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Architecture Review Tasks



For the architecture review on Feb 8th, please refer to this high-level architecture diagram and refer to the [notes](#) I put together from the Google Page Rank discussion.

Tasks for Wednesday

Do the following things:

1. Review the high-level architecture. If there are changes you'd like to make

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