Women Mathematicians at World War II

who were called “Computers.”

Today’s Question

● How to *survive* in the job market and *thrive* in your career by *winning* the battle against the machine?

When Workers Began Falling Behind

Until the 1980s labor productivity, real GDP per capita, private employment, and median family income all rose in tandem in the U.S. Then median income started to trail, and around 2000 job growth slowed.

The Great Decoupling

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As Profits Climb, Wages Plummet

In the U.S., corporate profits were rising before the 2008 recession and quickly recovered from it. In contrast, labor’s share of GDP, which was healthy for many decades, has fallen sharply since 2000.

CORPORATE PROFITS AS A PERCENTAGE OF GDP

WAGES AS A PERCENTAGE OF GDP

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Automation (1/2)

http://stormhighway.com/blog/july2109a.shtml
Automation (2/2)

What if every item in a grocery store has an EZPass (an RFID chip)?
Outsourcing

The Man Who Makes Your iPhone
Foxconn founder Terry Gou might be regarded as Henry Ford reincarnated if only a dozen of his workers hadn’t killed themselves this year. An exclusive look inside a postmodern industrial empire

Inside the iPhone Maker

http://www.businessweek.com/magazine/content/10_38/b4195058423479.htm
http://images.businessweek.com/ss/10/09/0909_foxconn/2.htm
Chart 4. The Beveridge Curve (job openings rate vs. unemployment rate)
Seasonally adjusted

Before 2007-08 Recession

After Recession

Skill Mismatch (2/3)

JOB OPENINGS RATE AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, BY INDUSTRY
Percentage of the labor force, three-month-averages, Aug-Oct 2014

- Openings
- Unemployment

- Construction
- Manufacturing
- Mining and logging
- Transportation, warehousing, and utilities
- Other services
- Wholesale and retail trade
- Leisure and hospitality
- Total private
- Information
- Government
- Professional and business services
- Education and health services
- Financial activities

https://tcfdotorg.atavist.com/where-are-the-jobsnbsjq
Skill Mismatch (3/3)

Most job growth in mature economies involves complex interactions, not routine production or transaction work

New jobs created in the United States, 2001–09

Million employees

Interactions
Exchanges involving complex problem solving, experience, context (e.g., lawyer, nurse)

Transactions
Exchanges that can be scripted, routinized, automated (e.g., bank teller, retail cashier)

Production
Process of converting physical materials into finished goods (e.g., factory worker, farmer)


http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2012/03/16/help_wanted?page=full
Race Against the Machine

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“Your hired, but remember, you can be replaced by a machine...believe me.”

Erik Brynjolfsson
Andrew McAfee
Race Against The Machine

How the Digital Revolution is Accelerating Innovation, Driving Productivity, and Irreversibly Transforming Employment and the Economy

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Wall Street Bankers vs. the Machines

Wall Street banks are replacing people with computers to trade financial instruments that once generated some of their biggest profits. Late last month, UBS (UBS), Switzerland’s biggest bank, fired its head of credit-default swap index trading, David Gallers, and replaced him with computer algorithms that trade using mathematical models, according to two people familiar with the matter.

http://www.businessweek.com/articles/2012-11-15/computers-elbow-swaps-traders-aside

Swaps
Computers Elbow Swaps Traders Aside
Financial Advisors vs. the Machines

Meet Your New Financial Adviser

http://time.com/money/page/robo-advisers/
Accountants vs. the Machines

Let’s get your guaranteed biggest tax refund

- Get live, one-on-one advice from a tax professional, 7 days a week
- We find every tax deduction and credit you deserve so you get the biggest tax refund possible
- We guide you step by step and guarantee 100% accurate calculations

Start for Free

We’ll guide you to the right TurboTax version for you

TurboTax Expert, Lisa Skelly

When It’s Not All About Wages
Pay of outsourced entry-level accountants in Argentina is higher than in India. But they still earn less than the $23 hourly wage in the U.S.

- India: $11.22
- U.S.: $23
- Philippines: $13.00
- Argentina: $19.90
- Costa Rica: $18.85
- China: $12.33
Insurance Assessors vs. the Machines

Japanese company replaces office workers with artificial intelligence

Insurance firm Fukoku Mutual Life Insurance is making 34 employees redundant and replacing them with IBM’s Watson Explorer AI

A future in which human workers are replaced by machines is about to become a reality at an insurance firm in Japan, where more than 30 employees are being laid off and replaced with an artificial intelligence system that can calculate payouts to policyholders.

Fukoku Mutual Life Insurance believes it will increase productivity by 30% and see a return on its investment in less than two years. The firm said it would save about 140m yen (£1m) a year after the 200m yen (£1.4m) AI system is installed this month. Maintaining it will cost about 15m yen (£100k) a year.

The technology will be able to read tens of thousands of medical certificates and factor in the length of hospital stays, medical histories and any surgical procedures before calculating payouts, according to the Mainichi Shimbun.

Journalists vs. the Machines

AP News

McCormick beats Street 3Q forecasts

October 02, 2014

SPARKS, Md. (AP) — McCormick & Co. (MKC) on Thursday reported profit of $122.9 million in its fiscal third quarter.

The Sparks, Maryland-based company said it had profit of 94 cents per share. Earnings, adjusted for non-recurring costs, came to 95 cents per share.

The results topped Wall Street expectations. The average estimate of analysts surveyed by Zacks Investment Research was for earnings of 81 cents per share.

VIDEO: Adobe 3Q Sales Miss Estimates Amid Shift to Cloud

The spices and seasonings company posted revenue of $1.04 billion in the period, which also topped Street forecasts. Analysts expected $1.03 billion, according to Zacks.

McCormick expects full-year earnings in the range of $3.30 to $3.37 per share.

McCormick shares have declined nearly 5 percent since the beginning of the year, while the Standard & Poor's 500 index has increased slightly more than 5 percent. The stock has increased 1 percent in the last 12 months.

VIDEO: H&M 3Q Gross Margin 58.3%; Est. 58.4%

This story was generated automatically by Automated Insights (http://automatedinsights.com/ap) using data from Zacks Investment

Lawyers vs. the Machines (1/2)

http://www.nytimes.com/2010/08/05/business/global/05legal.html?_r=0
http://www.legallyindia.com/201111252419/Analysis/
Lawyers vs. the Machines (2/2)

This Silicon Valley start-up wants to replace lawyers with robots

Kan’s months-old legal technology start-up, Atrium, is actually incorporated as a law firm — and may be the only Silicon Valley start-up ever to have done so. It has raised $10.5 million so far, and it is even more unusual in a region where rule-breaking and rule-bending are celebrated, and lawyers are among a start-up founder’s last and most reluctant hires.

To that end, one of Atrium’s more innovative features is its pricing model. The firm doesn’t charge by the hour, as most corporate law firms do. Instead, Atrium estimates the amount of work that it expects to do for every client and charges a single, upfront monthly-fee — regardless of the hours worked.

In-Class Exercise - What would happen with driverless Ubers?

- Who would be in trouble if everyone rides on driverless Ubers?
- What if few people own cars?

Robot-driven Ubers without a human driver could appear as early as 2019

By Peter Holley  November 20

What would happen with driverless Ubers?

- Whose would be in danger if everyone rides on driverless Ubers?
  - Drivers
  - Car salesmen, Insurance salesmen
  - Mechanics
  - Parking lot attendants
  - Gas station owners
  - Accident investigators and lawyers
  - Tow-car drivers
  - Driving instructors
Impact of Technology Development (1/2)
How long do you want to live?

- How long do you think you’ll live?
- Then, when do you have to retire if you want to live up to 100 years?
- What kind of technology breakthroughs will take place for the next 50 years?

http://physics.illinois.edu/history/timelines/1960s.asp
Let’s face it.

- Automation and outsourcing are **irreversible** trends.
- No occupation is immune to this trend.
- New technologies will continue to emerge for our lifetime and *fundamentally transform* the society and the job market (probably faster and faster).

http://www.bizbash.com/will_these_tech_advances_change_the_future_of_events/new-york/story/25226/
In-Class Exercise

• Which kind of occupation will be neither replaced by the machines nor outsourced for the next 30 years?
• What kind of skills do such jobs require?
In order not to be replaced, what kind of skills do we need that the machines don’t have?

- Creative, innovative, analytic thinking
- Problem-solving skills for complex, unstructured, open-ended, non-routine problems
- Face-to-face, human-touch, communication skills (e.g. negotiation, persuasion, writing)
- Entrepreneurship and leadership
- anything else?

What kind of jobs do you want to have?

● If you want to be a lawyer, what kind of lawyer do you want to be?
● If you want to be a journalist, what kind of journalist do you want to be?
● If you want to work for Wall Street banks, what kind of banker do you want to be?
Impact of Technology Development (2/2)

30 years later

now

Skill Level

Manual Physical

Repetitive Routine

Knowledge Creativity
We are NOT doomed.

● Advances in technologies are creating new opportunities and increasing demands for different skills.
  ▪ Techs destroy some jobs but create new ones too, with the skills in the previous page.

● Tech developments have historically increased the size of the economies for the last several centuries.

● If you can survive in the waves of new technologies, you’ll be more thriving than ever before.

Self-Driving Trucks

Tractor-trailers without a human at the wheel will soon barrel onto highways near you. What will this mean for the nation’s 1.7 million truck drivers?

As long as self-driving trucks require a driver to remain on board, driving jobs seem safe. In some ways those jobs, which pay an average of about $40,000 a year, could even improve. For one thing, driving a truck 11 hours a day is stressful. “You get physically and mentally tired,” says Mugriyev, the driver in the Texas accident, which occurred in 2013. (He was not found to be at fault.) Besides being able to nap and relax in the cab while Otto does the driving, says Berdinis, drivers could use the time away from the wheel to catch up on trucking’s heavy paperwork, locate a “backhaul” load that would pay for the return trip, chat with family and friends, learn a second trade, or run a business. “And while they’re doing it, the drivers are still getting paid for driving,” he says.

How to survive? - Be Ambidextrous

• You’ll need to develop multiple skills and abilities to survive.
• Having one major may not be enough.
• Double major or graduate degree in a distant field
• so that, when you lose a job, you can jump into another occupation right away.
To make money, go to a graduate school!

Changes in Wages for Full-Time Male U.S. Workers

http://opportunityproject.ets.org/choosing-our-future
Today, the world's largest bookseller, Amazon, is a software company—its core capability is its amazing software engine for selling virtually everything online, no retail stores necessary. On top of that, while Borders was thrashing in the throes of impending bankruptcy, Amazon rearranged its website to promote its Kindle digital books over physical books for the first time. Now even the books themselves are software.

Today's largest video service by number of subscribers is a software company: Netflix. How Netflix eviscerated Blockbuster is an old story, but now other traditional entertainment providers are facing the same threat. Comcast, Time Warner and others are responding by transforming themselves into software companies with efforts such as TV Everywhere, which liberates content from the physical cable and connects it to smartphones and tablets.

Today's dominant music companies are software companies, too: Apple's iTunes, Spotify and Pandora. Traditional record labels increasingly exist only to provide those software companies with content. Industry revenue from digital channels totaled $4.6 billion in 2010, growing to 29% of total revenue from 2% in 2004.

Today's fastest growing entertainment companies are videogame makers—again, software—with the industry growing to $60 billion from $30 billion five years ago. And the fastest growing major videogame company is Zynga (maker of games including FarmVille), which delivers its games entirely online. Zynga's first-quarter revenues grew to $235 million this year, more than double revenues from a year earlier. Rovio, maker of Angry Birds, is expected to clear $100 million in revenue this year (the company was nearly bankrupt when it debuted the popular game on the iPhone in late 2009).

Meanwhile, traditional videogame powerhouses like Electronic Arts and Nintendo have seen revenues stagnate and fall.
That 'Useless' Liberal Arts Degree Has Become Tech's Hottest Ticket

Such creativity can’t be programmed. Instead, much of it is minted by one of Slack’s 180 employees, Anna Pickard, the 38-year-old editorial director. She earned a theater degree from Britain’s Manchester Metropolitan University before discovering that she hated the constant snubs of auditions that didn’t work out. After winning acclaim for her blogging, videogame writing and cat impersonations, she found her way into tech, where she cooks up zany replies to users who type in “I love you, Slackbot.” It’s her mission, Pickard explains, “to provide users with extra bits of surprise and delight.” The pay is good; the stock options, even better.

What kind of boss hires a thwarted actress for a business-to-business software startup? Stewart Butterfield, Slack’s 42-year-old cofounder and CEO, whose estimated double-digit stake in the company could be worth $300 million or more. He’s the proud holder of an undergraduate degree in philosophy from Canada’s University of Victoria and a master’s degree from Cambridge in philosophy and the history of science.

How to survive? - Continue to Learn

- Some of the things you are learning here will probably be obsolete in the next couple of decades.
- New knowledge keeps produced in an increasingly faster rate.
- Will need to know not only how to use certain software tools (Excel, Tableau), but also how to learn new technology that is not invented yet.
- Will need to be flexible and to transform yourself anytime with new knowledge and skills
- Always be vigilant over and aware of technology trends and take advantage of them
Data Scientist: The Sexiest Job of the 21st Century

by Thomas H. Davenport and D.J. Patil

FROM THE OCTOBER 2012 ISSUE

Big Data, Big Paycheck
Median salary for analytics professionals and those specifically within data science, by level of experience.

- **Analytics professionals**
  - Up to 3 years: $65,000
  - 4 to 8 years: $85,000
  - 9+ years: $115,000

- **Data scientists**
  - Up to 3 years: $80,000
  - 4 to 8 years: $120,000
  - 9+ years: $150,000

Note: Data do not include managers. Source: Burtch Works. The Wall Street Journal.

http://www.wsj.com/articles/SB10001424052702304819004579489541746990638
How to survive? - Be data-smart!

• Whatever occupation you’ll have, you’ll need a skill
  ▪ to find right data sources
  ▪ to analyze a large amount of data, and
  ▪ to get valuable insights and knowledge from data
• for critical-thinking, creative abilities, analytic skills
• for an ability to solve open-ended, unstructured, non-routine problems.

The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn.

- Alvin Toffler

http://horageek.blogspot.com/2012/11/alvin-toffler-habla-sobre-el-prosumo.html#UL_ViYOzKSo
GOOD LUCK

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