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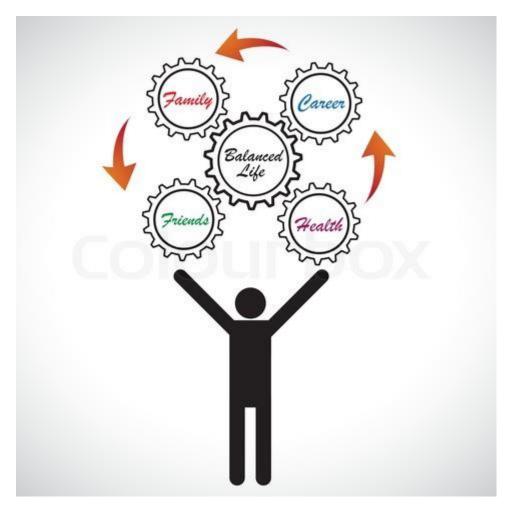
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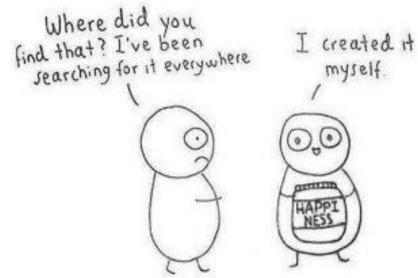




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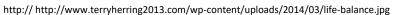




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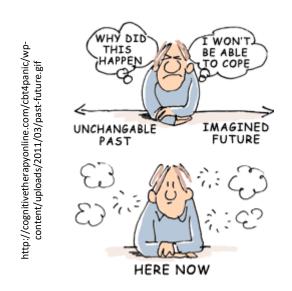








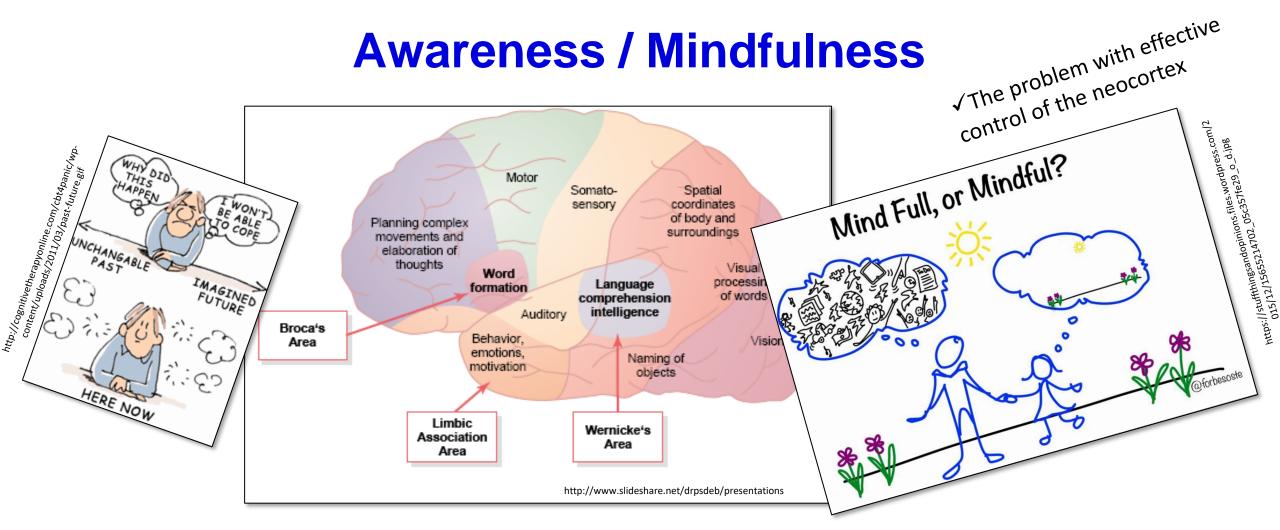
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IS MINUTES OF CARDIO, 15 MINUTES OF WEIGHTS, AND AN HOUR OF TALKING MYSELF INTO IT.



Future Me The problem with effective problem **Past Me Present Me** Damn it! Why are you Why didn't Past Me Ugh, so much work two such lazy bums? already do this? Oh to do... I'll do it later. Stop leaving me all the well, I'm sure Future work! Me will get it done. Work passes forward **Complaints pass backward** WellingtonGrey.net



Procrastionation

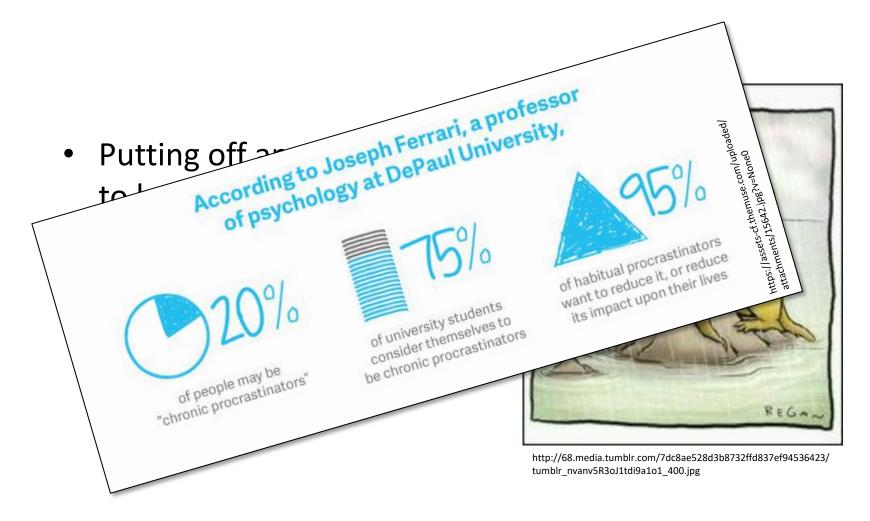
- Putting off an action to later time
- It is not a laziness!



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Procrastination

A critical role of the limbic system

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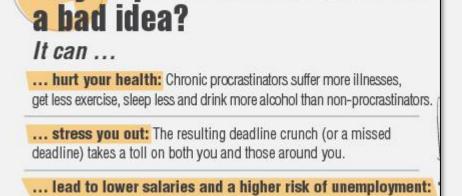


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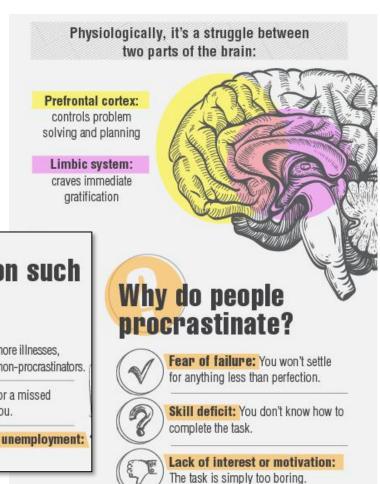
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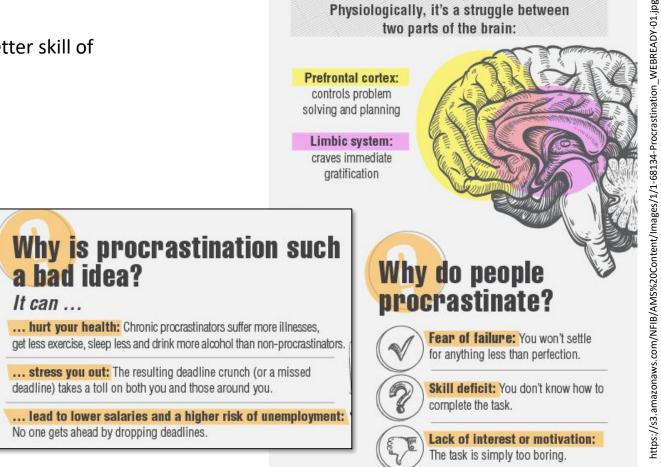
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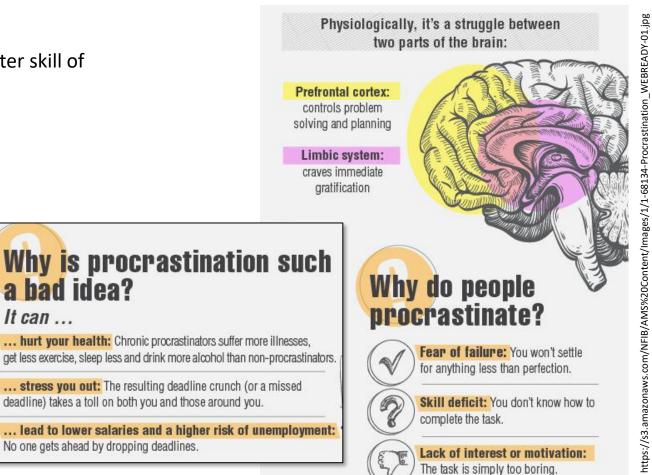
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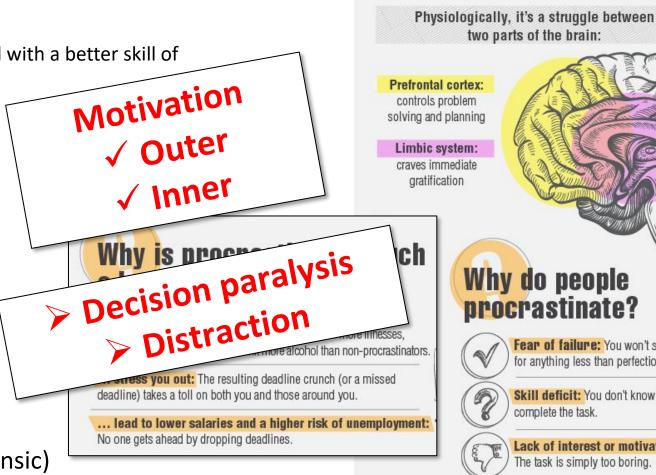


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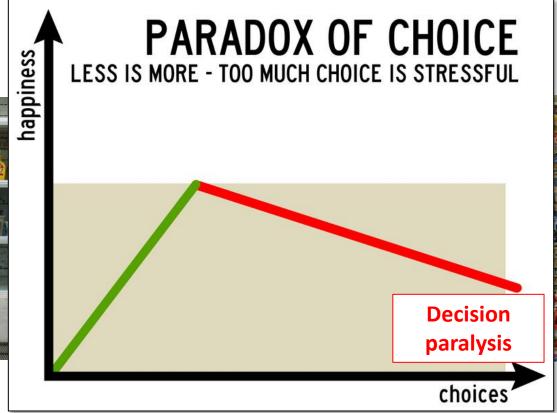
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More choice does not make us more happy



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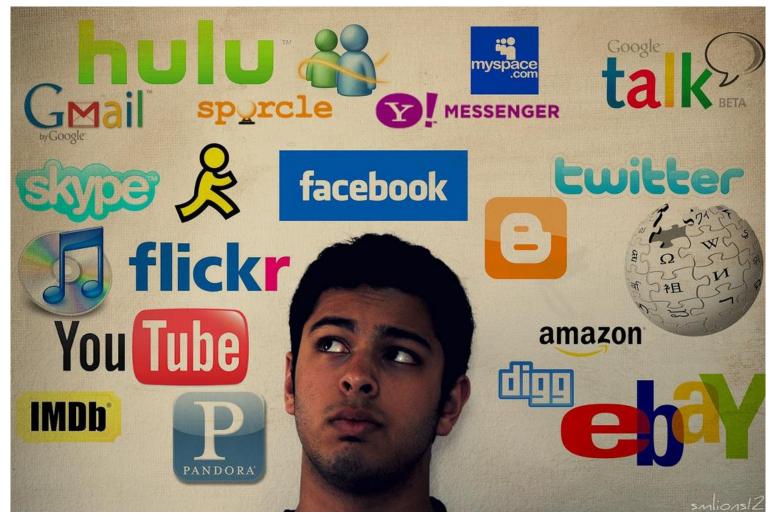
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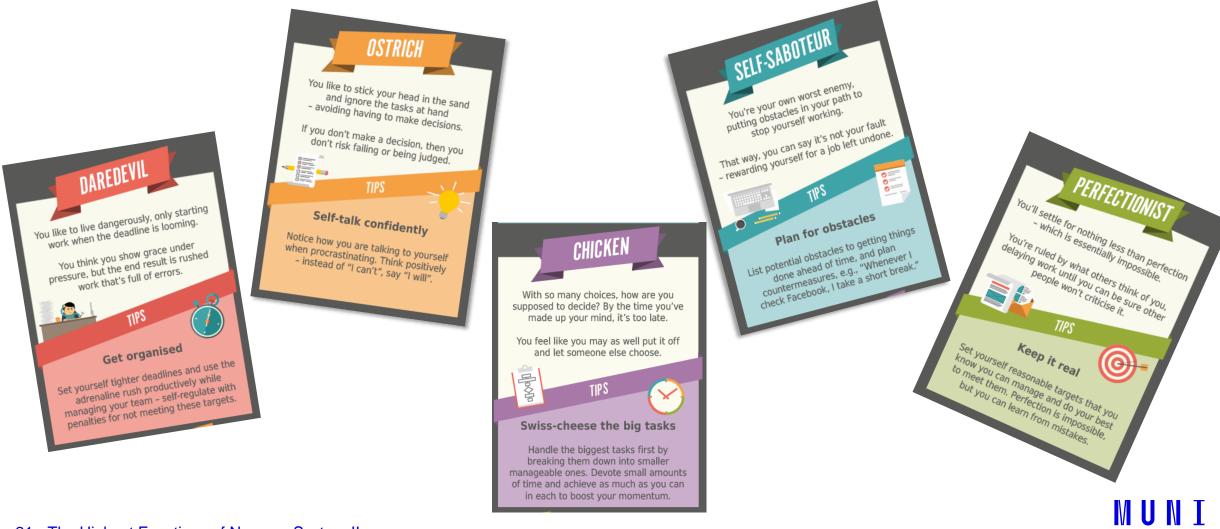


Distraction





Procrastination



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A critical role of the limbic system Fear of the outcome Sasination WHAT IS PROCRASTINATION? **BEHAVIORAL** You procrastinate when you put off things that you should be focusing on right now, usually in favor of doing something that you're more Perfectionism comfortable doing. INTENDED Are you a procrastinator? BEHAVIOR Filling your day with low priority tasks? ENACTED HOW OTHER PEOPLE JUDGE MY ABILITIES **BEHAVIOR** ATTEMPTING TO MAKE A DECISION Waiting for the "right mood"? Rebellion and Lack of motivation Reading e-mails several times laziness without starting to work on them? 回 Helplessness in the face of Lack of focus complexity To what extent is procrastination having a NEGATIVE IMPACT on your happiness? Extreme negative effect **HOW TO OVERCOME?** Quite a bit or Very much THINK ALTERNATIVELY! 18 Spiritual emptiness Diminished creativity Lacking positive outlook Keep a TO-DO LIST Break the project into **REWARD** yourself Stunted hope and humour MANAGEABLE TASKS Ask SOMEONE ELSE to Use an Urgent / Important Start with some QUICK check up on you Matrix SMALL tasks Identify the UNPLEASANT Set yourself The basic principle is Reduced effectiveness consequences of NOT doing TIME-BOUND GOALS REFRAMING Missed career opportunities Increased likelihood of mistakes



PANIC

EFFECTS OF PROCRASTINATION

Tension

Isolating yourself

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Tense relationships

Less aware of others

Headaches

Sleep difficulties

Anxiety

Self-critical

Helplessness

Low self-esteem

Fatigue or ultra-active

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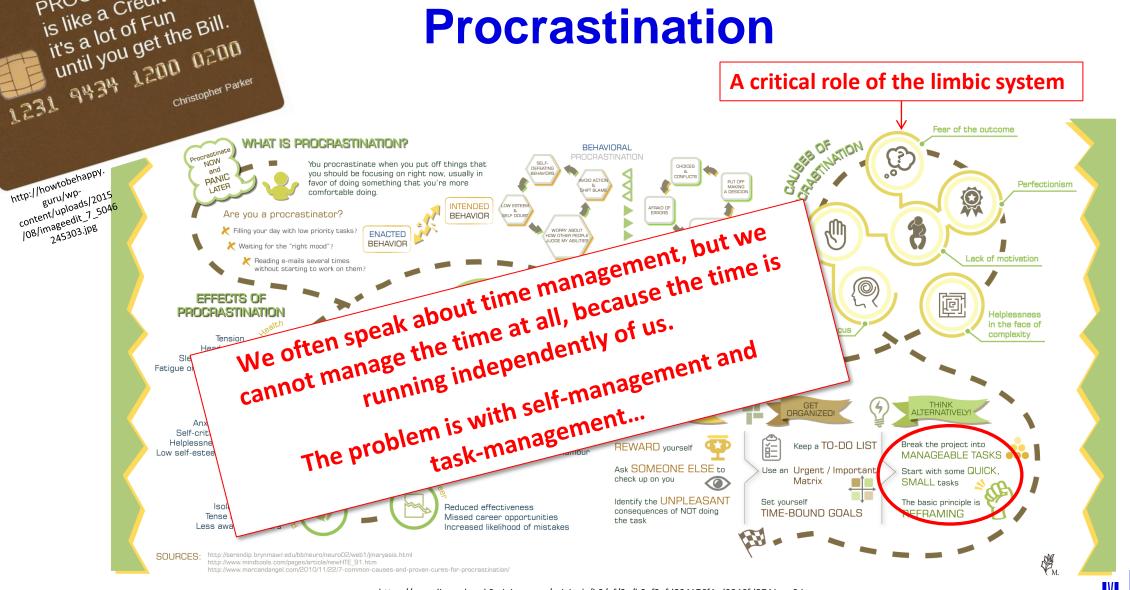
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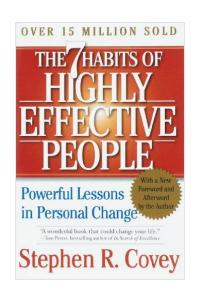








Stephen Covey – Quadrant system



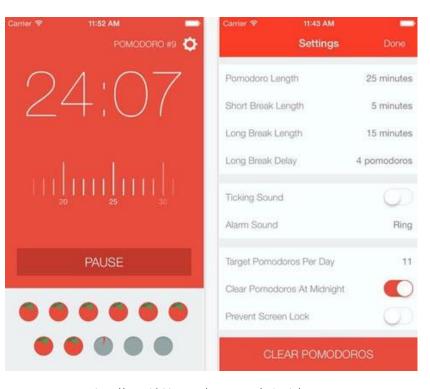
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Pomodoro technique





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Brain Hacks for beating procrastination

1. Focus on the PROCESS not the Product.

Tips: When studying, avoid thinking about how many pages you have to write or problems to solve as that brings on the pain that leads to procrastination. Rather, calmly put the effort into doing the work. No need to grasp or finish everything in one session.

- 2. Distractions will happen, so accept them and train yourself to move past them quickly. Tips: Find a quiet space, use noise-cancelling headphones.
- 3. Plan: Write down 3-6 tasks you want to accomplish.

Tips: Do it the night before, so your mind starts working on them while you sleep. Plan your breaks and quitting time too. It's okay if you did not finish all tasks if you gave it

our best.

4. Trust in your new system and yourself.
Tips: Get support when you get stressed out or overwhelmed. Seek out friends who are successful, teachers, school counselors and ask for help.



5. Use The POMODORO Technique



START

SET A TIMER TO 25 MINUTES. Let everyone (Fam, BF, GF etc.) know what you are doing, so they don't interrupt or get upset if you don't respond to them.



CONTINUE

FOCUS ON ONE TASK. Study. Write. Do math. Whatever. NO INTERRUPTIONS. No social media, gaming, texting etc.



REWARD YOURSELF. After successfully completing 25 minutes of hardcore awesomeness (studying, working etc.) do something you enjoy for 5 minutes and repeat the process.

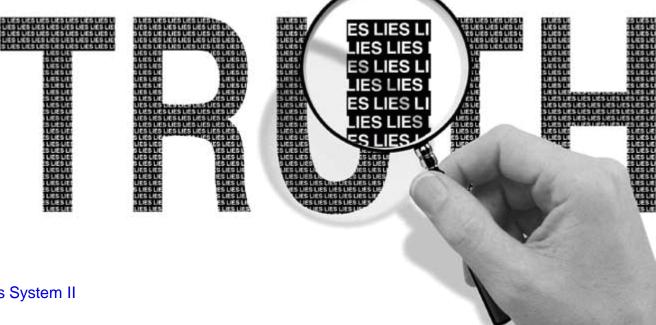
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Selfmanipulation

- Mostly unintentional
- Defensive mechanism

Manipulation of others — Mostly intentional

- Offensive mechanism
 - ✓ To defense myself
 - ✓ To obtain some advantage









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Playing on emotions / feelings of unhappiness - the limbic system



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After

Manipulation and propaganda













Propaganda

Manipulation / propaganda is as old as mankind itself, and sometimes it may seem absurd



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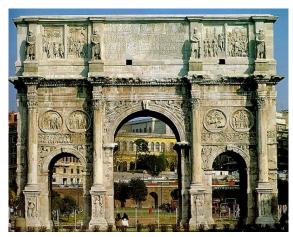


Propaganda

- Historical resources have propagandistic character
- History is written by winners
- Subjective / engaged view vs. pure propaganda



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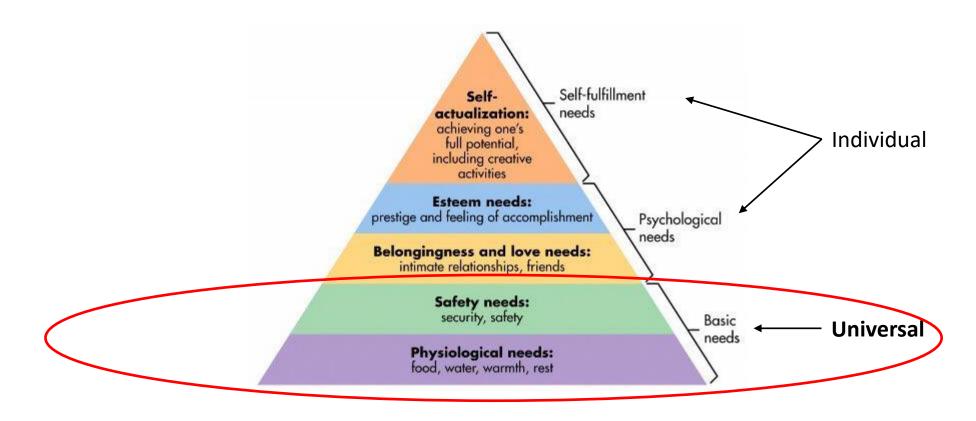
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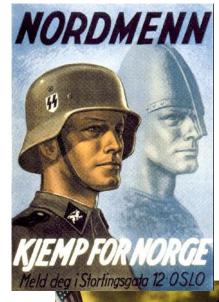
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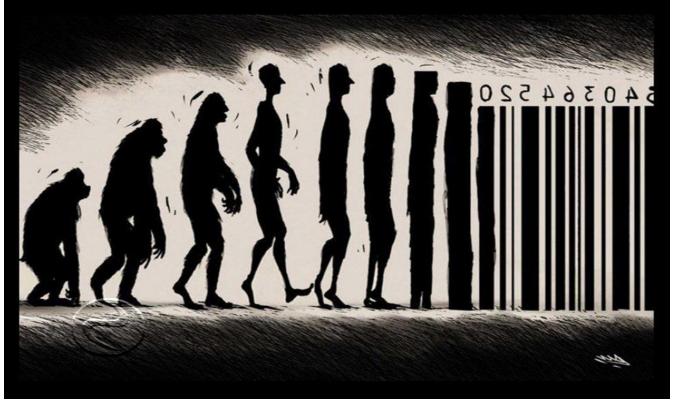
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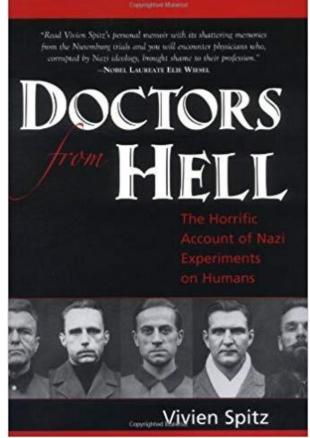
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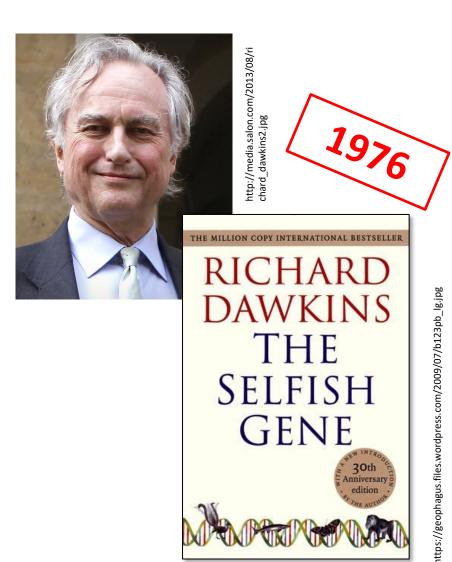
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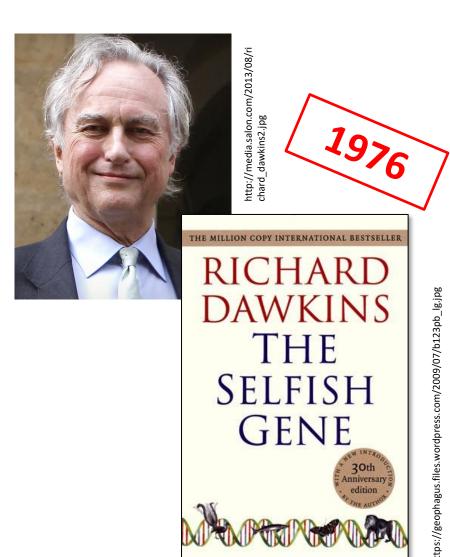




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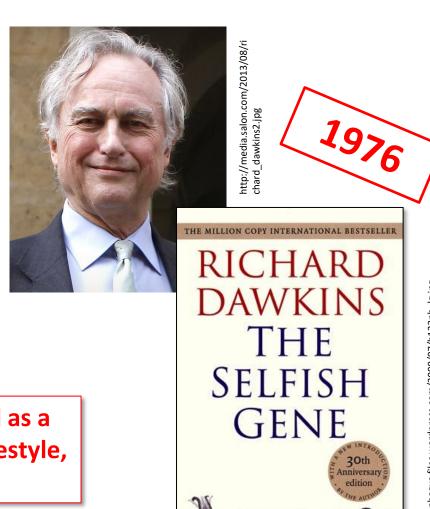
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Every system of values has to be considered as a memetic complex (philosophy of consume lifestyle, biker or hooligan)



- Memetic complex has to replicate, otherwise it will become a "dead learning / information"
- Memetic complexes compete each other for "substrate" (human mind)



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Memetics may be applied to any part of the culture, eg. on technological processes

Culture

- the sum of knowledge
 - ✓ Material
 - ✓ Spiritual



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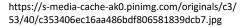
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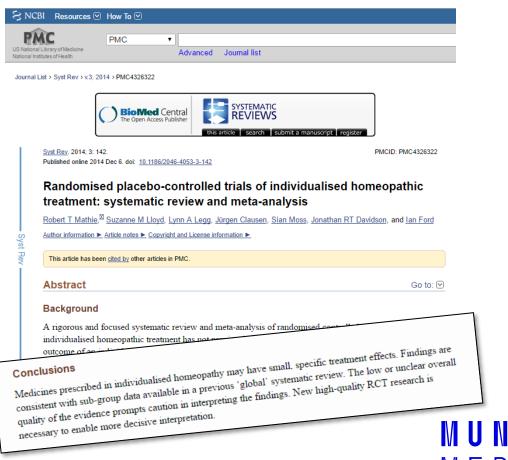
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➤ Even we cannot explain some phenomena we should consider its effect, reproducibility and knowledge transfer possibilities





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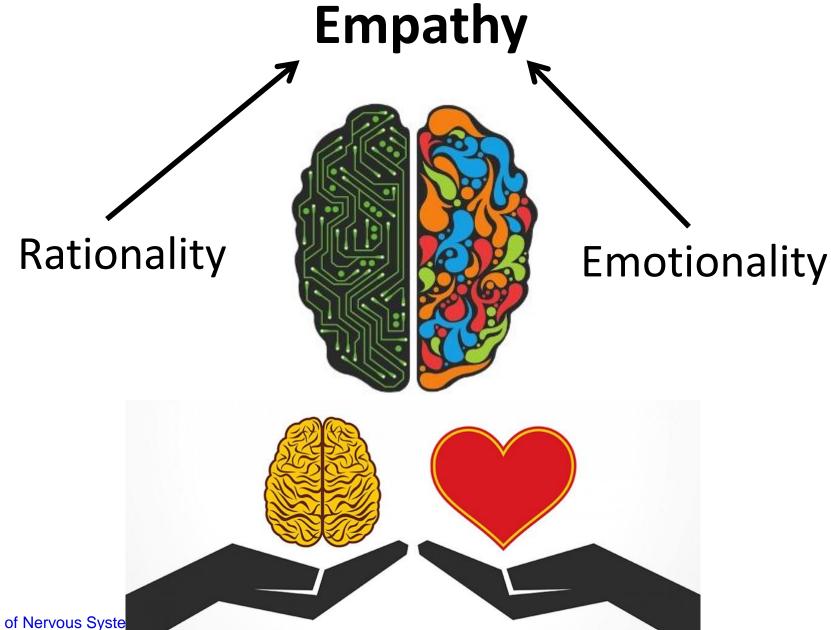
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86. The basic characterization of neocortical functions – language and social brain, basic overview of functional diagnostic methods used in neurology

- Communication and language
 - Language areas localization and fuctuion including lobulus parietalis inferior, aphasia...
 - Lateralization of language functions, gender differences

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 - Human is a social beeing, so the brain has to be designed accordingly
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