

Big Data and Healthcare

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Challenges Facing U.S. Healthcare

Balancing Infinite Demand versus Finite Resources

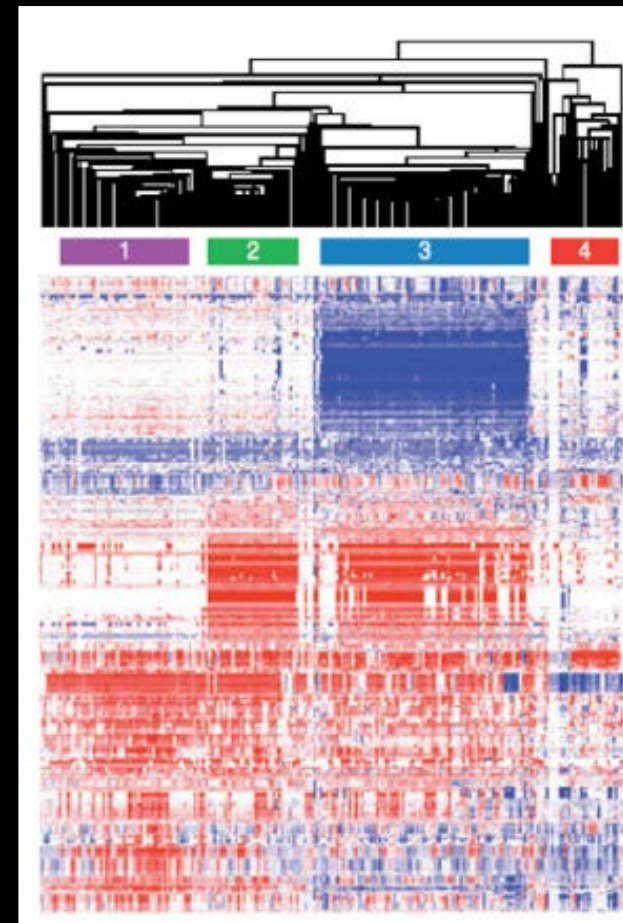
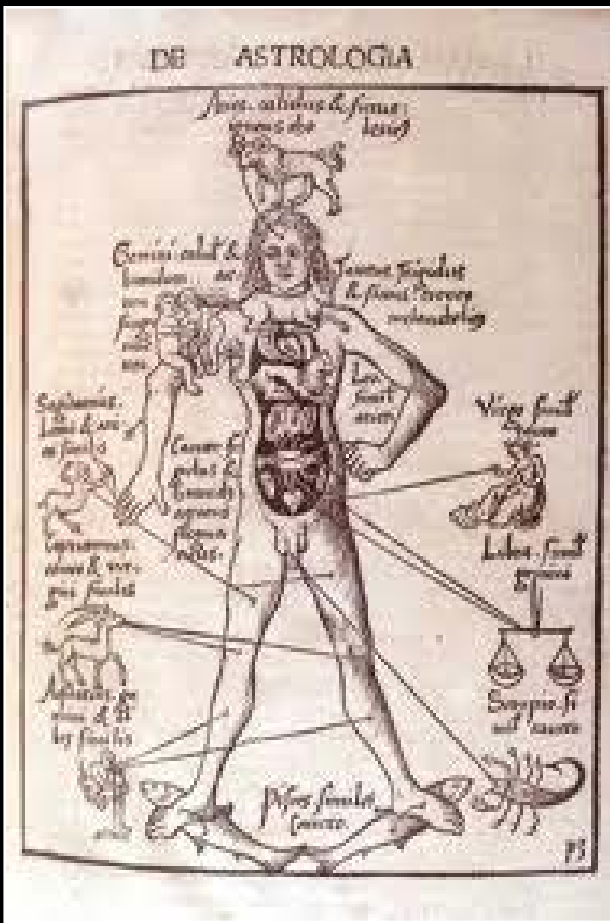
From Volume-Based FFS Care to Value-Based Care

**From Reactive Interventions in Disease Episodes
to Proactive Continuity of Care Services**

**Improving Outcomes at Lower Cost
and Realizing the Wellness Premium**

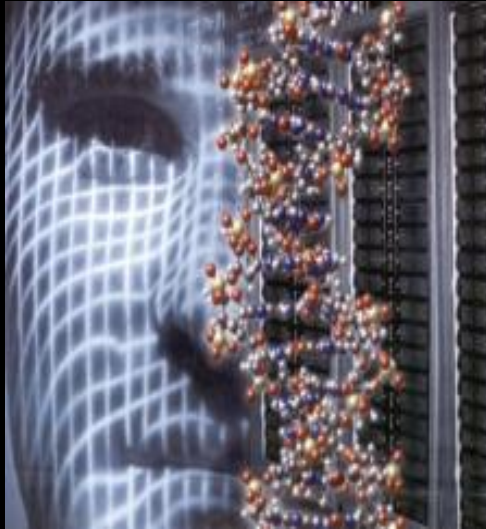
**Technological Innovation and
New Value Propositions in Healthcare**

The Path to Precision Medicine: From Superstitions to Symptoms to Signatures

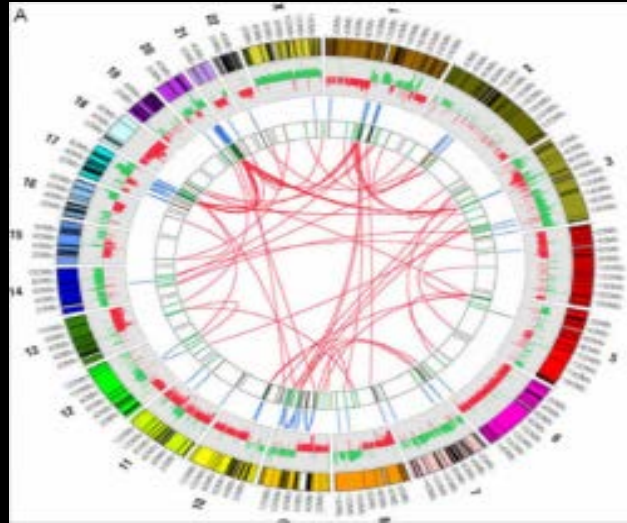


Precision Medicine

(Epi)Genomics



Causal Relationships Between
Molecular Network Disruptions and Disease



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- terabytes per individual
- zettabyte – yottabyte datasets for populations

Patient-Specific Signatures of Disease
or Predisposition to Disease

Big Data

Still Two Largely Separate Worlds

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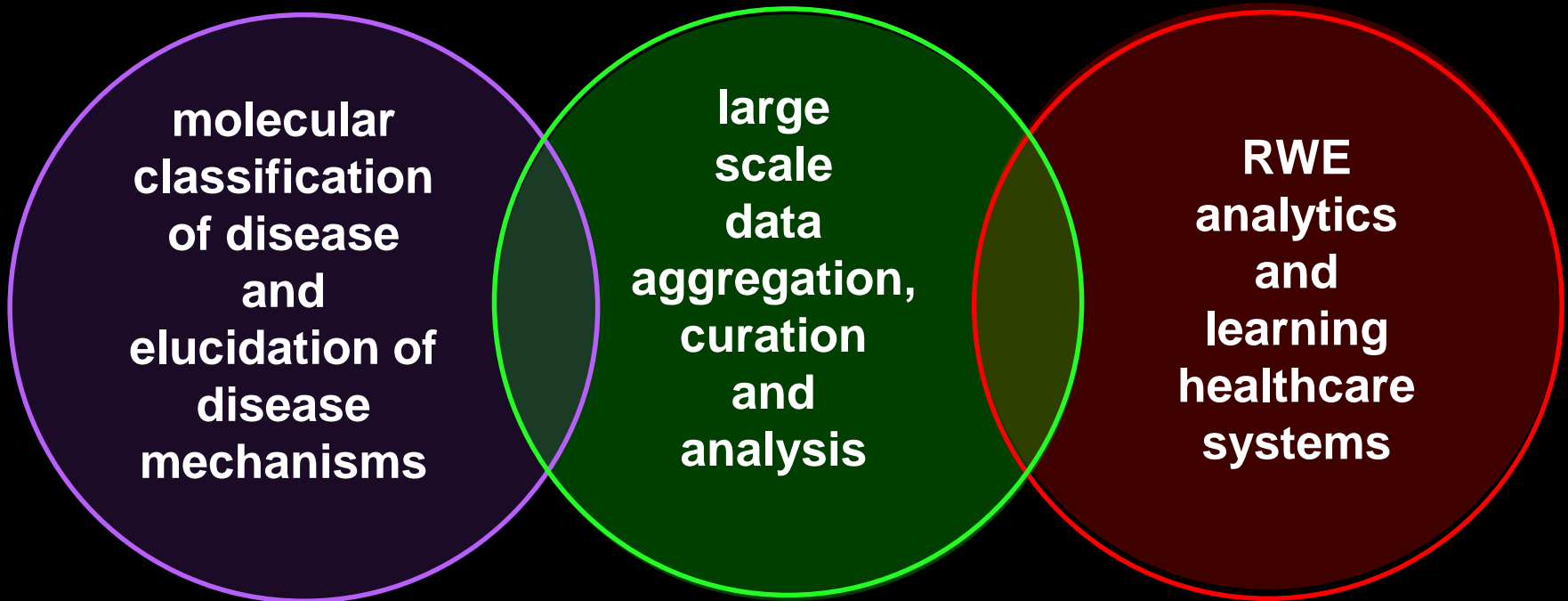
**research
initiatives
in
precision
medicine**

**\$5-10 billion
(estimated)**

**routine
healthcare
delivery:
a complex
ecosystem**

**\$3 trillion
(18% GDP)**

Precision Medicine and Data-Intensive Computational Medicine: Evolving Inter-Dependencies





**“I don’t think of Humana
so much as an insurance company
as an IT company who is helping us with
the data that we need in order to deal
with our population health tools.”**

Dr. Roy Beveridge, M.D.

CMO, Humana

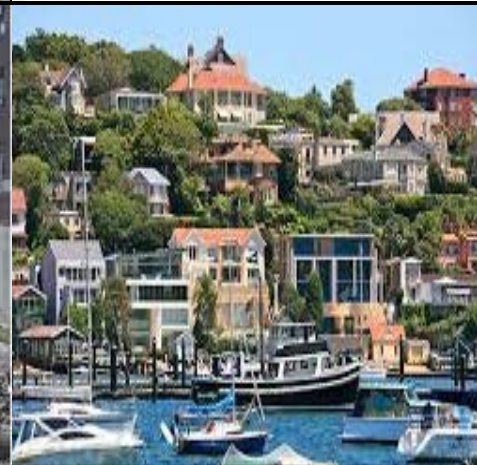
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- **the majority of events that influence wellness/disease risk occur largely outside of formal interactions with the healthcare system**
- **daily decisions by individuals have greater effects on their health than decisions controlled by the healthcare system**

Mapping Genotype-Phenotype Relationships and Disease Risk:

Systematic Integration of Diverse Data for Population Health Analytics

Continuity of Care Record: From Womb to Tomb



Behavior

Environment

Social Spaces Become Quantifiable

- **who knows why people do what they do?**
 - **the fact is that they do!**
- **these actions can now be traced and measured with unprecedented precision**
- **with sufficient data, the numbers reveal increasingly predictable behavior and individual risk patterns**
- **new ethical and legal issues**
 - **consent, privacy, surveillance, security**

Invasion of the Body Trackers: Expanding the “Care Space” in Healthcare

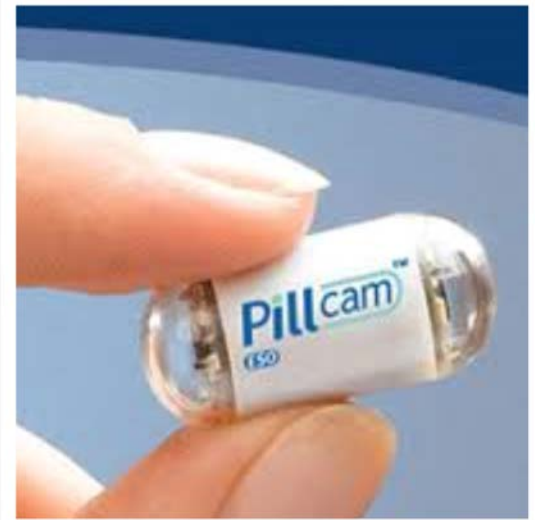
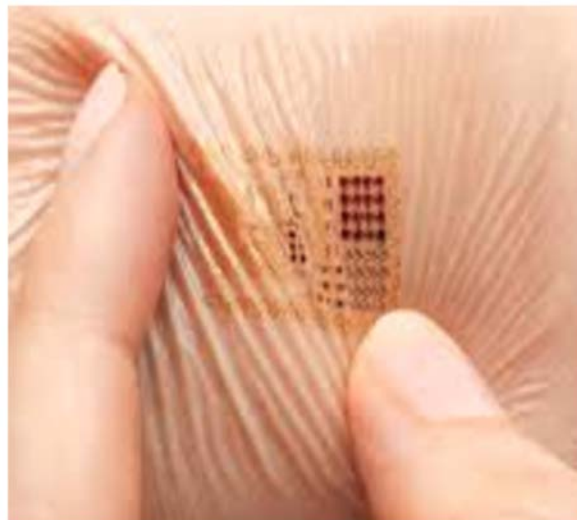
Healthcare Beyond The Clinic

Remote Health Status Monitoring

**Smartphones, Wearables, Devices
and Digital Services**

M4: Making Medicine More Mobile

Remote Health Status Monitoring



Gray Technologies and Aging in Place: Independent But Monitored Living for Aging Populations



Rx adherence



**cognitive
stimulation**



**in home support and reduced
readmissions**



reduced office visits

Digital Personal Assistants



Kuri (Mayfield Robotics)

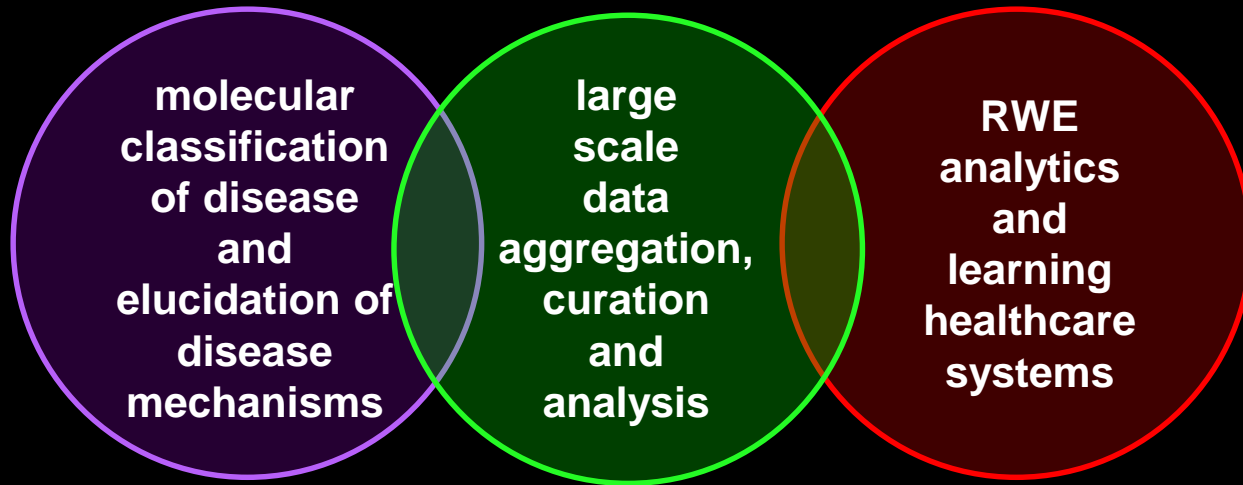
Population Health Research and Precision Medicine: Blurring the Boundaries Between Research and Clinical Care

- **every encounter (clinical and non-clinical)
is a data point**
- **every individual is a data node**
- **every individual is a research asset**
- **every individual is their own control**

Mobile Apps, Wearables, Sensors and Continuous Health Status Monitoring

- who sets the standards?
- who integrates and interprets the data?
- who pays?
- who consents?
- who owns the data?

Precision Medicine and Computational Medicine: Evolving Inter-dependencies



The Big Data Challenge

V6: volume, variety, velocity, veracity, virtualization, value

D3: distributed, dynamic, decision support

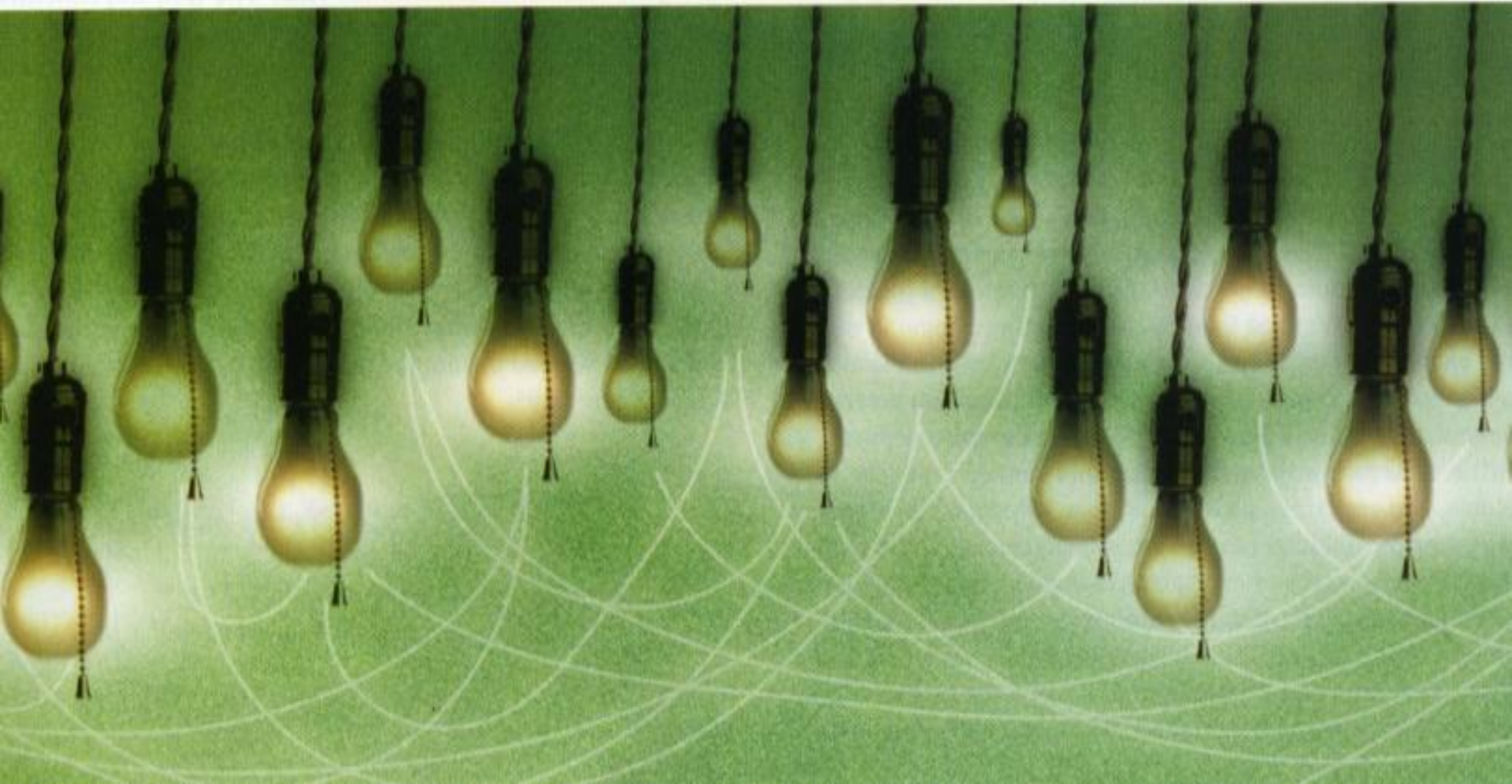
I3: infrastructure, investment, intelligent systems

Now Comes the Hard Part!


**Driving Precision Medicine and Data-Driven Healthcare
Into Routine Clinical Practice**

The Problem with Real World Data is the Real World

HELL IS THE PLACE WHERE NOTHING CONNECTS — T.S. ELIOT



Silos Subvert Solutions: Protecting Turf and Sustaining the Status Quo



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**WELCOME TO
BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH
AND PATIENT
MEDICAL RECORDS**

The Worst Supply Chain in Society: The Health Information Supply Chain

- **fragmented, disconnected data**
- **incompatible data formats as barrier to data integration**
- **incomplete and inaccurate data**
- **slow transition from paper to electronic systems**
- **inadequate information on behavioral and environmental influences on health**
- **legislative barriers to data transfer based on well intentioned privacy protections**
- **organizational, economic and cultural barriers to open data sharing**

Intrinsic Tensions in Open Data Policies and Data Sharing in Biomedicine

- **privacy and security protections**
- **need for ‘large N’ datasets versus private/ proprietary data and analytical algorithms**
- **poor interoperabilities: the EMR vendor trap and deliberate information blocking**
- **incentives and rewards versus cultural resistance/economic burden to sharing in the research community**
- **data ownership**

The Pending Era of Cognitive Computing and Decision-Support Systems: Overcoming the “Bandwidth” Limits of Human Individuals



- limits to individual expertise
- limits to our multi-dimensionality
- limits to our sensory systems
- limits to our experiences and perceptions
- limits to our objective decision-making

The Slow Brain and the Fast Machine

**Cognitive Computing, Deep Learning
and Machine Intelligence**

The Future Workforce and the Future of Work

Machine Learning and Image Analysis in Clinical Medicine

pathology



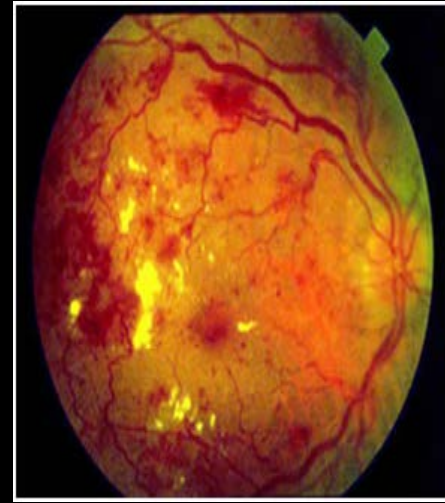
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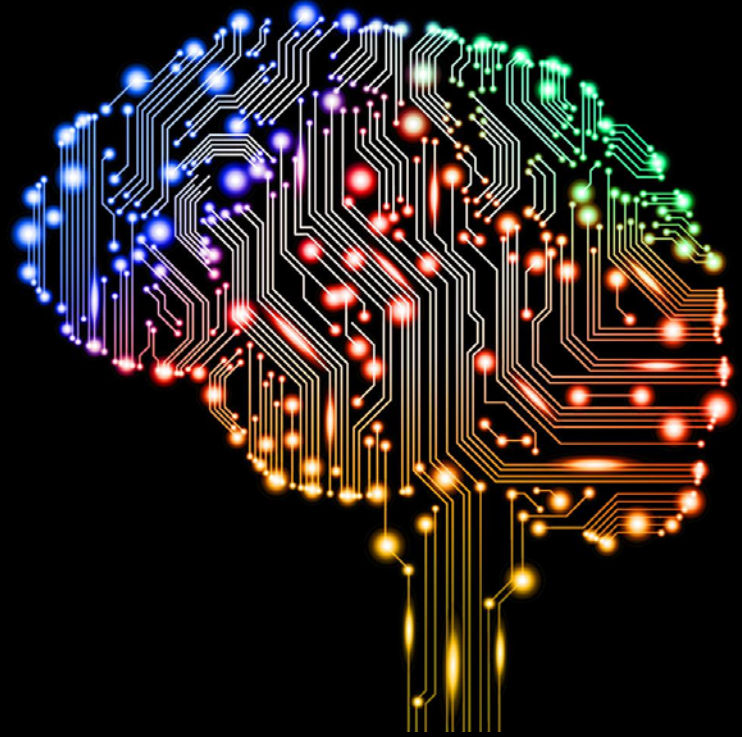
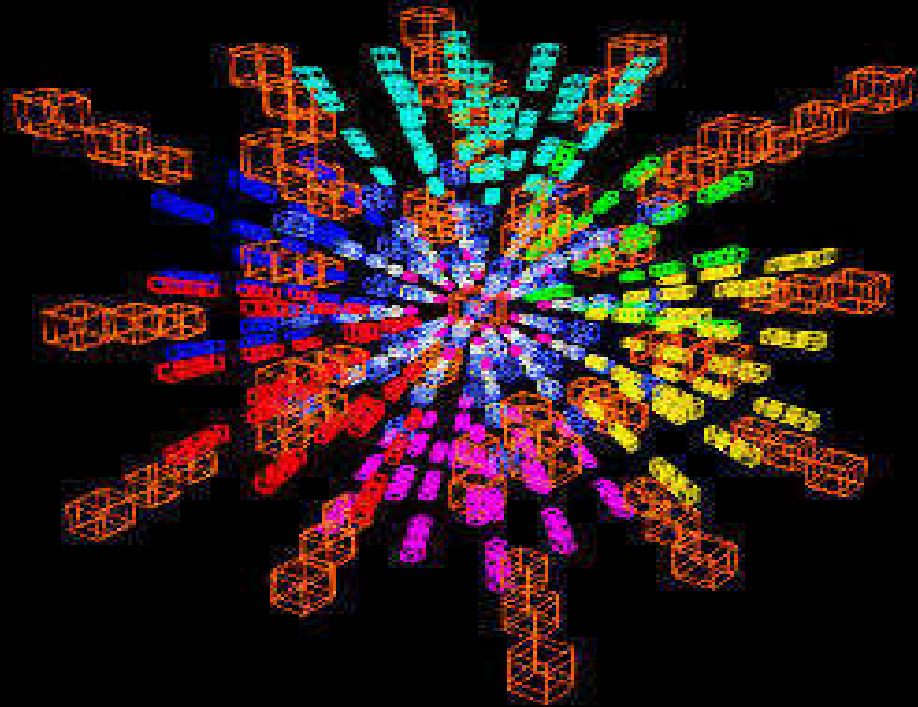


ophthalmology



- large scale training sets and classification parameters
- standardized, reproducible and scalable
- 260 million images/day for \$1000 GPU

Automated Context: Data Finding Data “Intelligence at Ingestion”



**Feature
Extraction
and
Classification**



**Context
Analysis**
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**Persistent
Context**

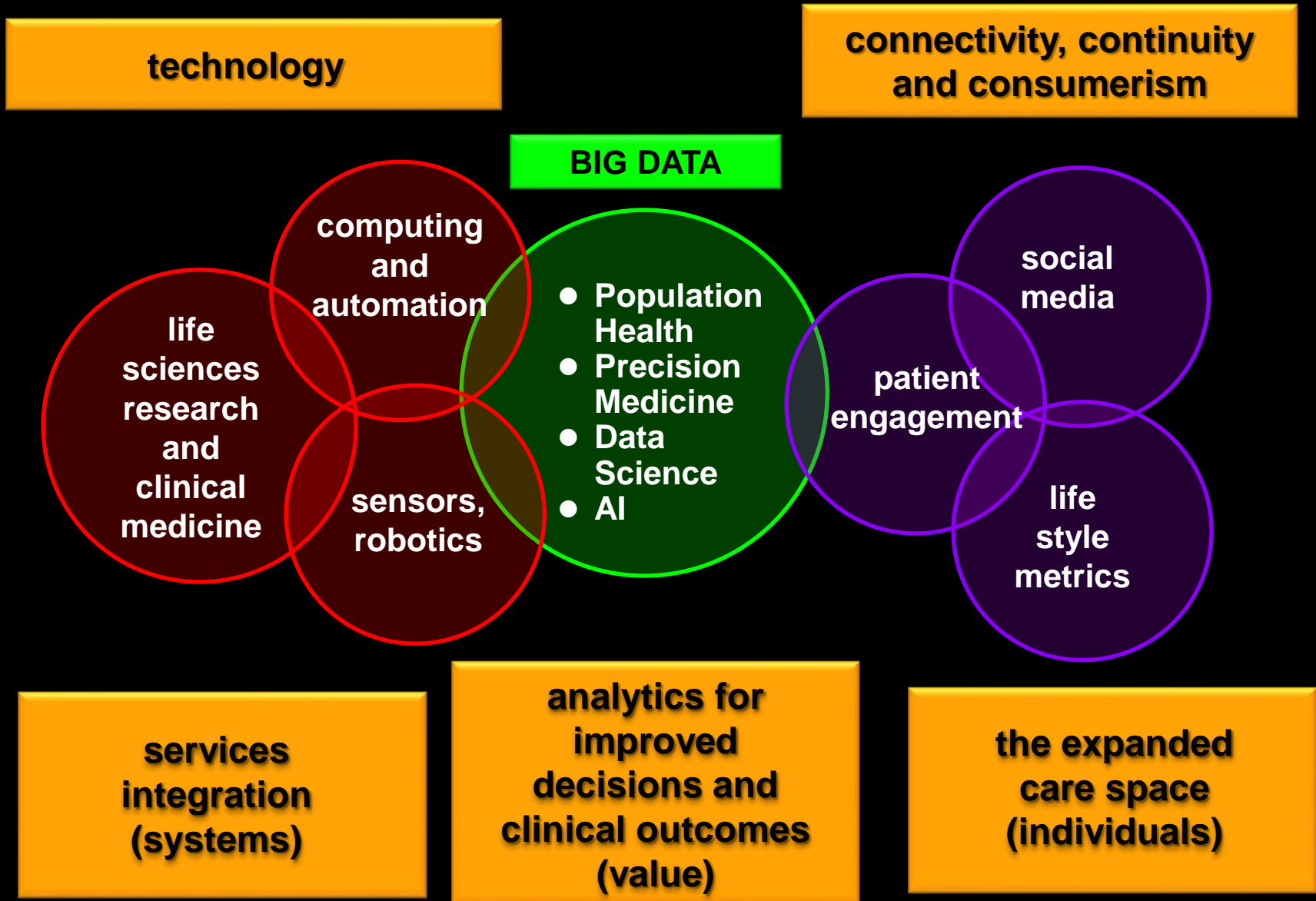


- **Relevance
Detection**
- **Learning
Systems**



- **Situational
Awareness**
- **Rapid,
Robust
Decisions**

The Evolving Healthcare Information Ecosystem



Deep Learning, Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence in Data Analytics and Decision Support



“I Can’t Let You Do That Dave”

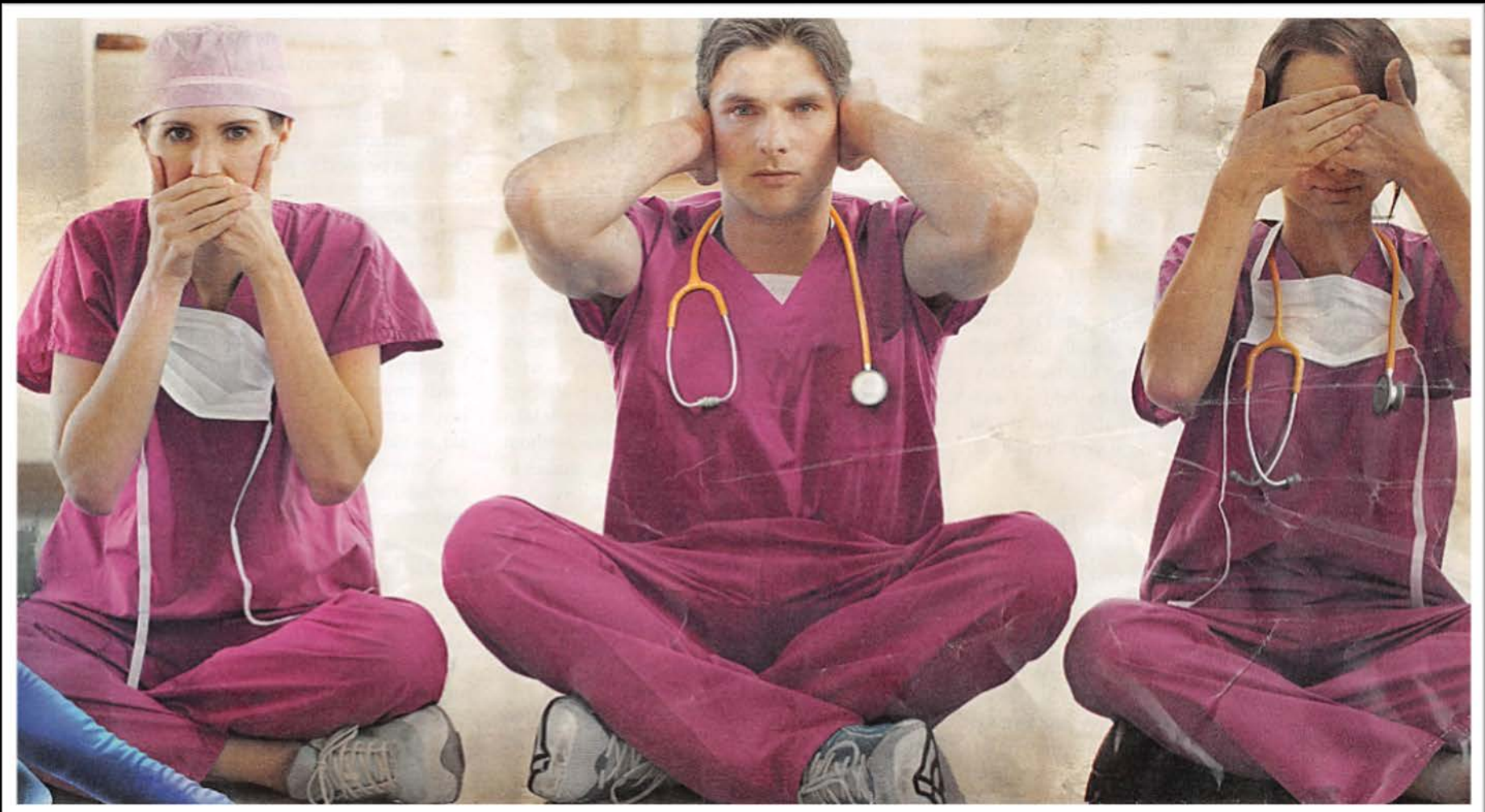
**Automated Decision Support Tools and
“Gated Autonomy” in the Management
of Complex Systems**

Living in a World Where the Data Analytics and Interpretation Algorithms Are Obscure to the End User

- **ceding decision authority to computerized support systems**
- **culturally alien to professionals in their claimed expertise domain but they accept in all other aspects of their lives**
- **who will have the responsibility for validation and oversight of critical assumptions used in decision tree analytics for big data?**
 - **regulatory agencies and professional societies?**
 - **humans?**
 - **machines?**



DNR



Denial

Negativity

Resistance

The Rise of Data-Intensive Medicine and Digital Healthcare

**The Intellectual Foundation for a New Era in
Clinical Medicine and Public Health**

**From Reactive Responses to Illness Episodes to
Proactive Continuity in Care to Optimize Wellness
(Risk Reduction)**

**Profound Organizational Economic and Cultural Disruption
in Healthcare Delivery and Professional Competencies**

**New Business Models and New Participants
Previously Uninvolved in Healthcare**

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