

From AI Policy to Decomputing

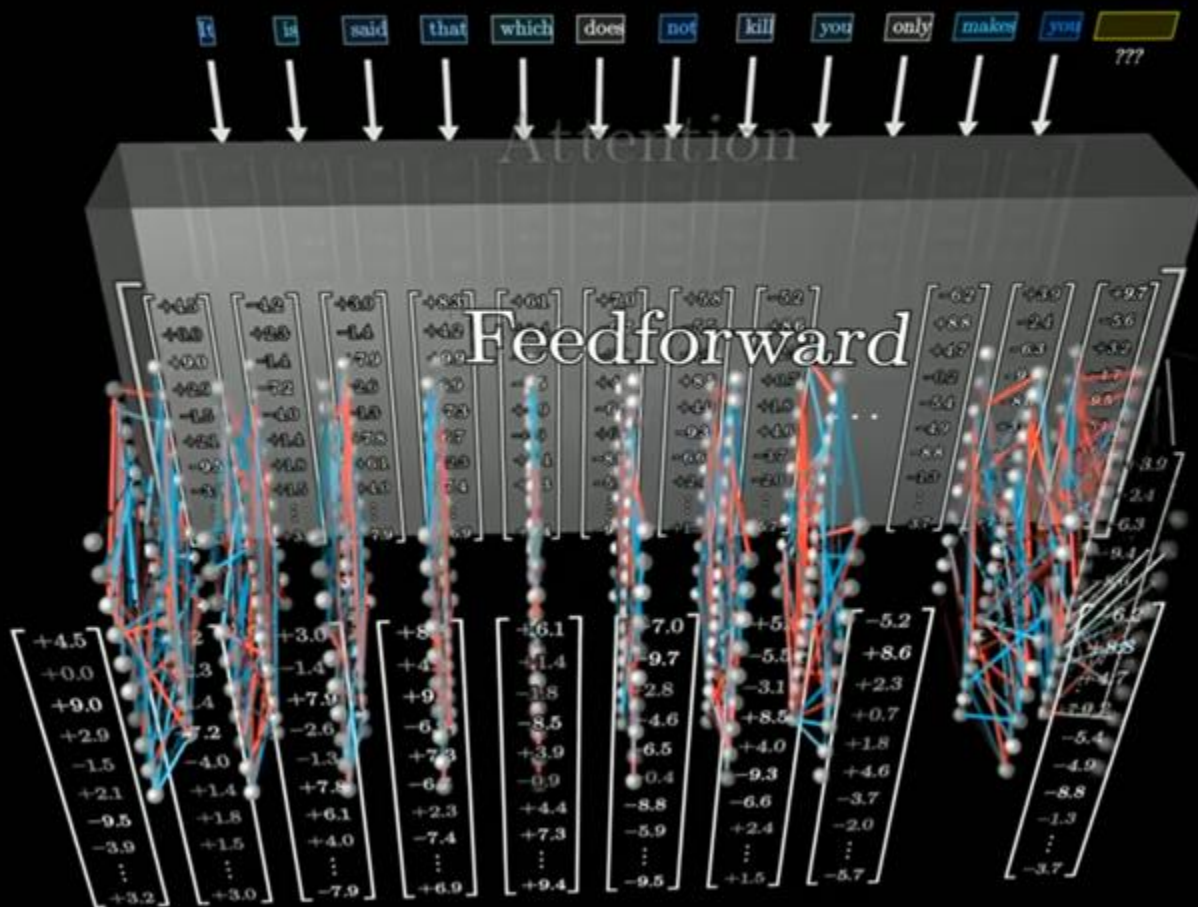
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Do I need AI?

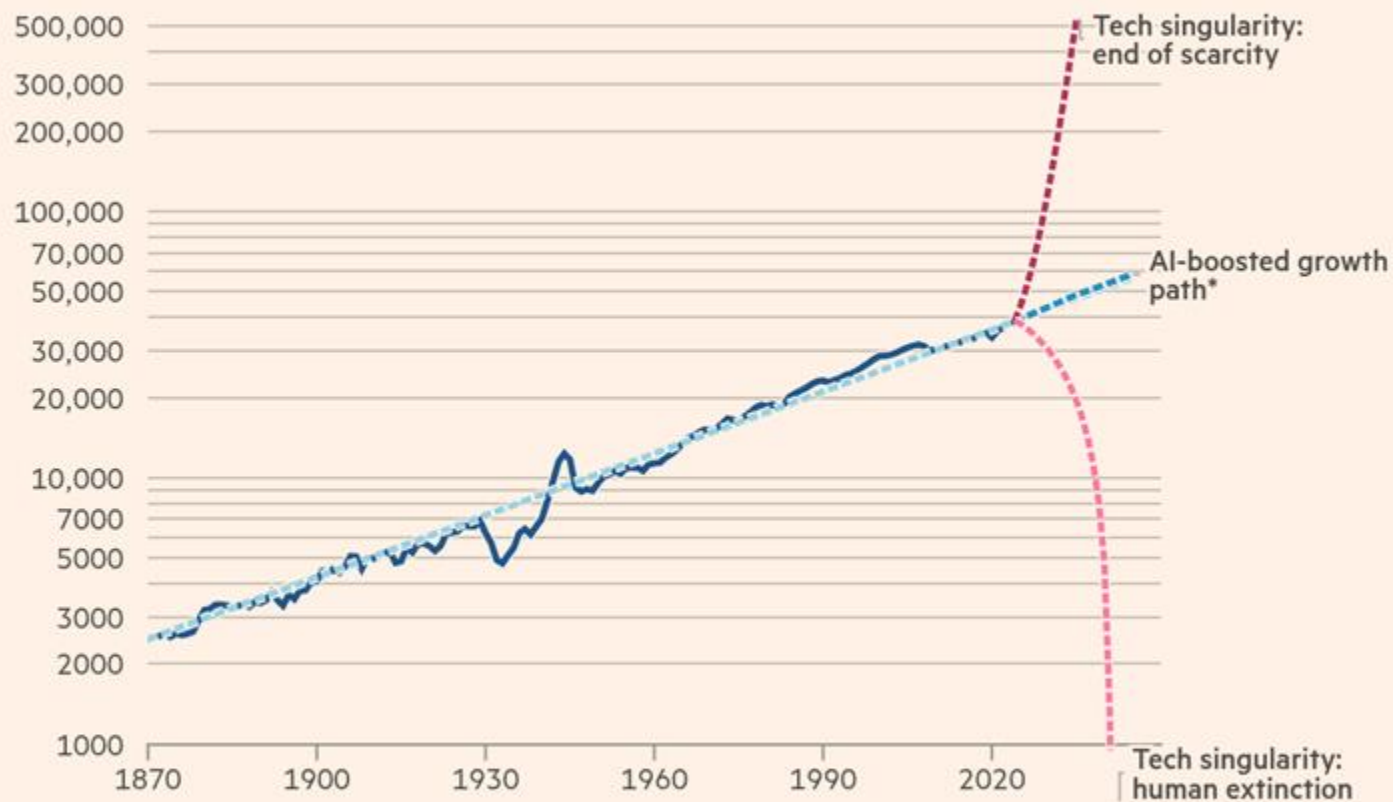
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US real GDP per capita (1990 \$), log scale

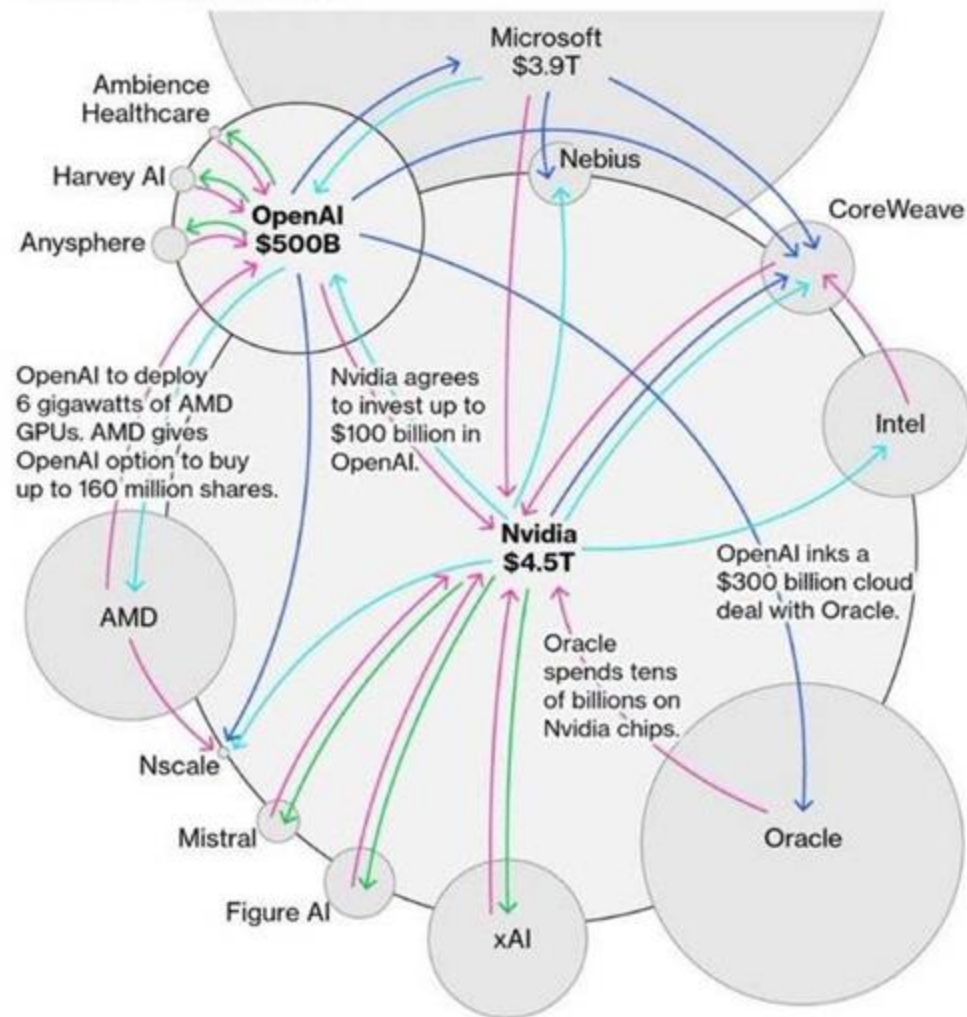
■ Real GDP per capita ■ Trend, 1870-2024



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Source: Wynne & Derr, 'Advances in AI will boost productivity, living standards over time' (Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, 2025) • Trend 1870-2024 = 1.9% pa. * AI-boosted path = 2.1% for ten years, then trend

Hardware or Software Investment Services Venture Capital
Circles sized by market value



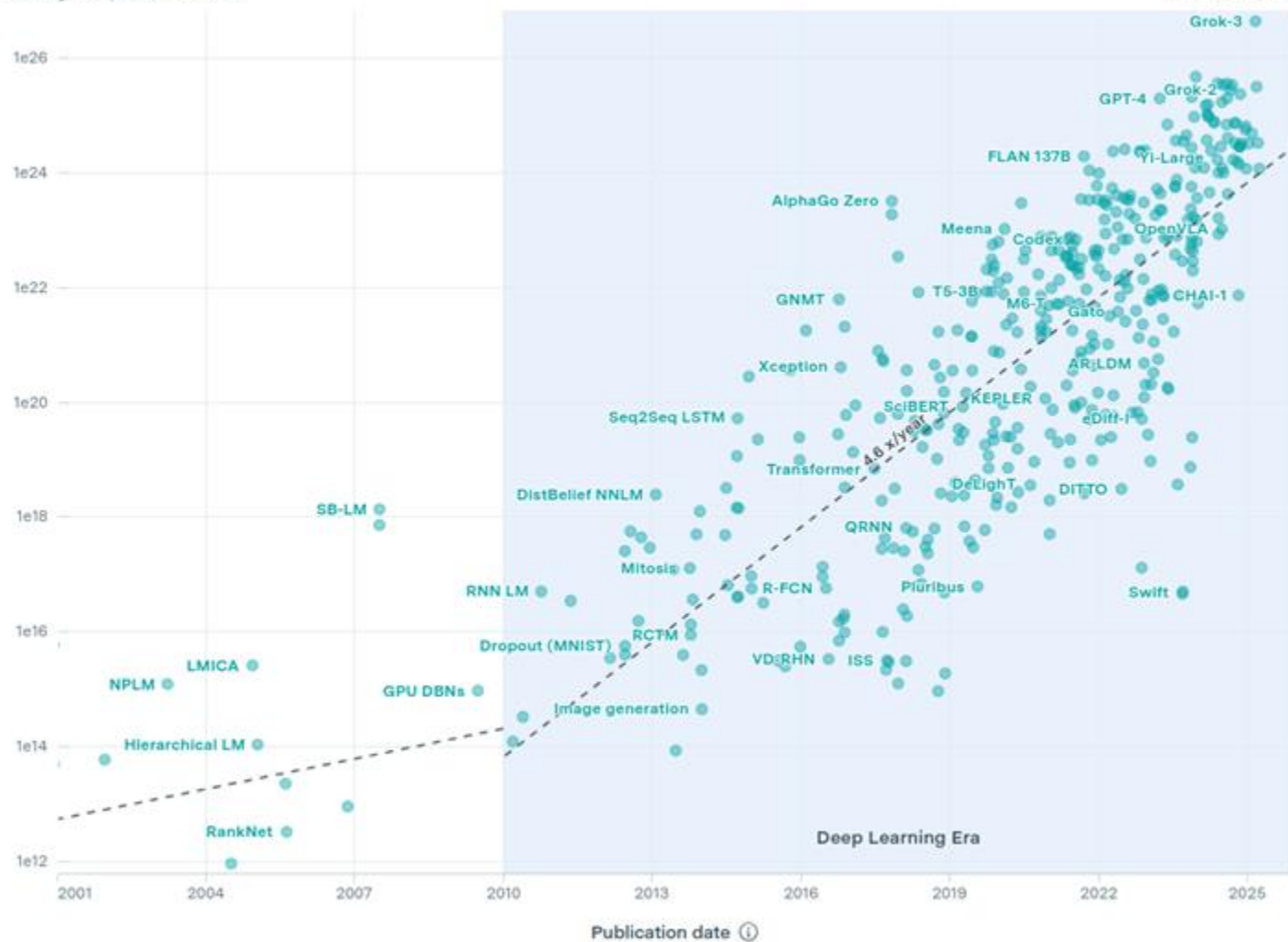
Source: Bloomberg News reporting

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Notable AI Models

Training compute (FLOP) ⓘ

467 Results ⓘ



2001

2025



THE TECHNO- OPTIMIST MANIFESTO



ERNST JÜNGER

Die totale Mobilmachung

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**J'ENTENDS
DÉJÀ LE BRUIT
DES BOTS**





PROCESSED WORLD



Are you doing the processing?
...or are you being processed?



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NIGHT CLEANERS



TOOLS FOR CONVIVIALITY



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The role of the
university is...?

...to resist AI
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The Mosacat activist organization meets at a member's home. They staged a series of protests against Google's second data center in Santiago, where construction has currently halted.

the future is already here; it's just not evenly distributed



