Society & Self-Driving Vehicles: A Framework for Understanding Transitions



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Self-Driving Cars Are Coming ...



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Self-driving cars are the future and it's turning into a massive race to see who can build the best autonomous car first and capture the largest market share.

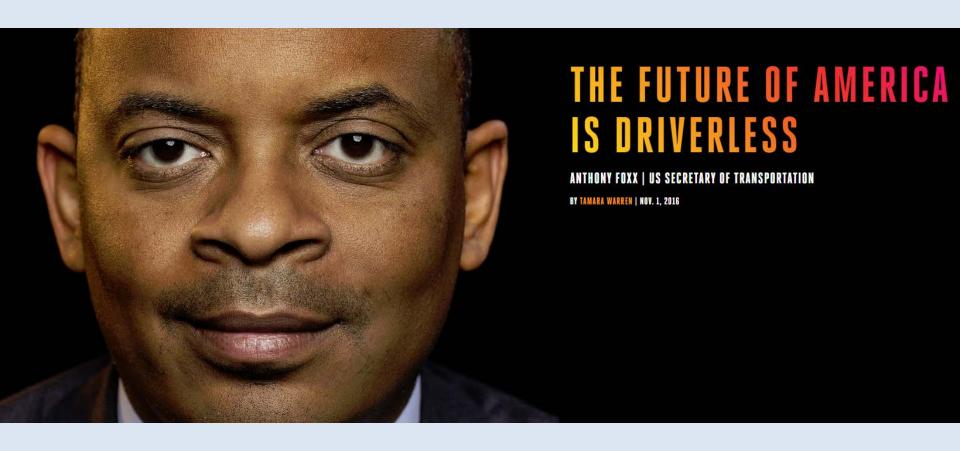


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There's no question that self-driving cars are coming — the real debate at this point is who will get there first. We rounded up a whopping 20 co

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The Future of America is Driverless



It's November, 2021: what does the world look like?

By 2021, we will see autonomous vehicles in operation across the country in ways that we [only] imagine today... Families will be able to walk out of their homes and call a vehicle, and that vehicle will take them to work or to school.

We're going to see transit systems sharing services with some of these companies. It's not just autonomy in the vehicles. You're going to see trucks running more closely together, resulting in fuel savings and positive climate impact.

A Disruptive Technology

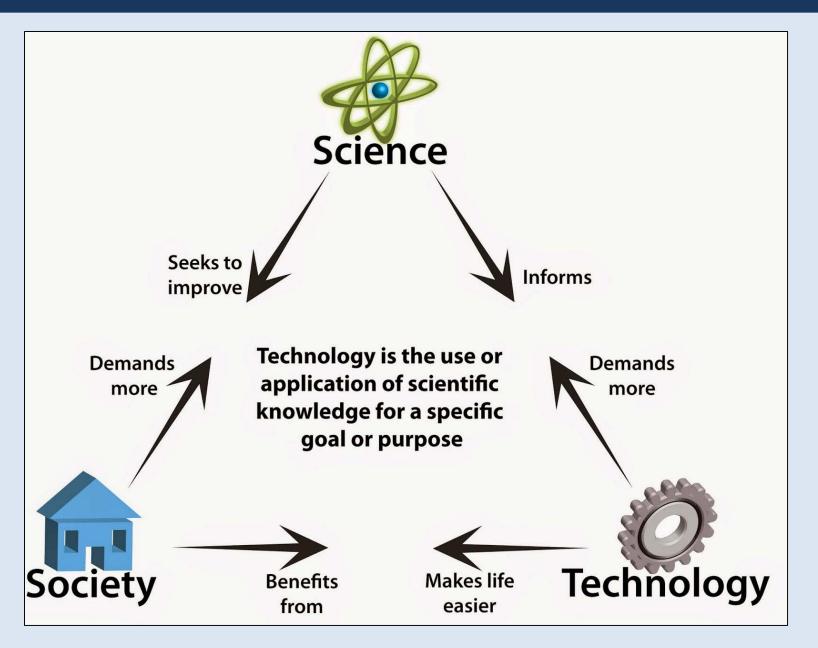
You'll see companies that will start to use unmanned aircraft to deliver products to us.

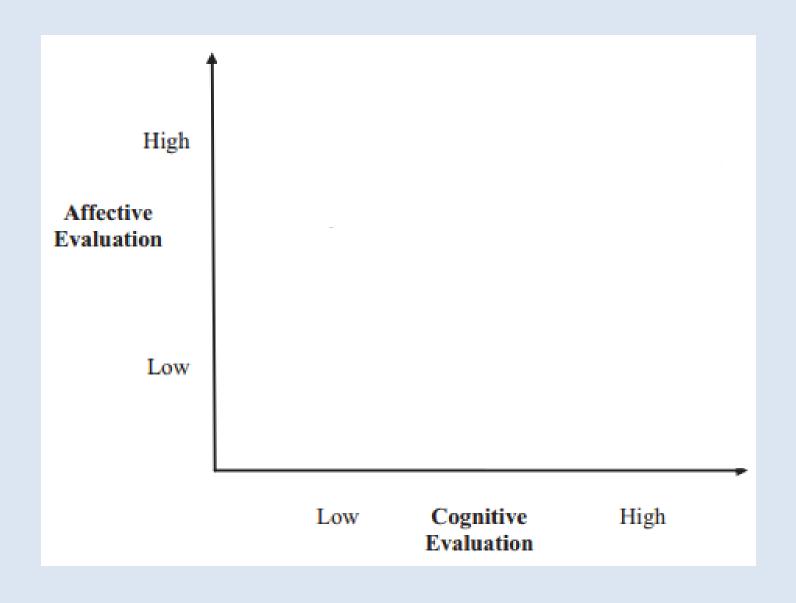
My daughter, who will be 16 in 2021, won't have her driver's license. She will be using a service.

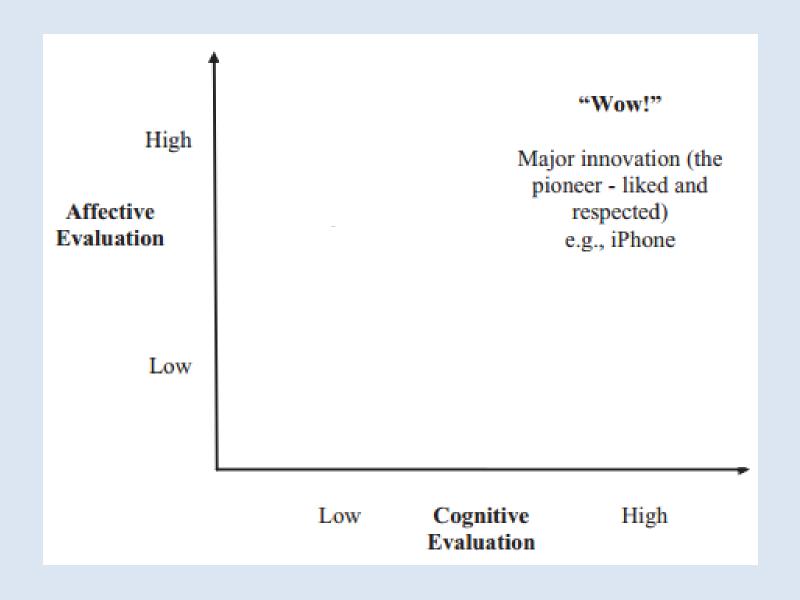
A Potentially Revolutionary Technology

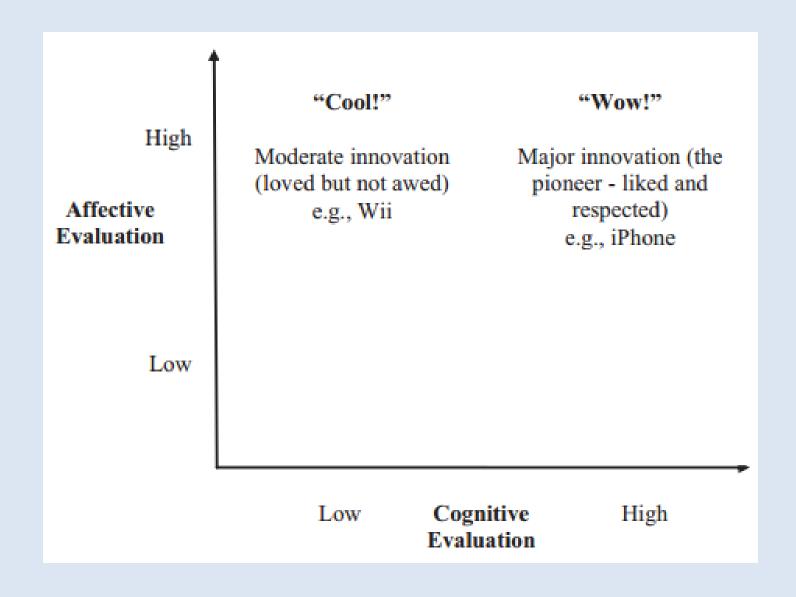
"This is going to revolutionize the way we travel"

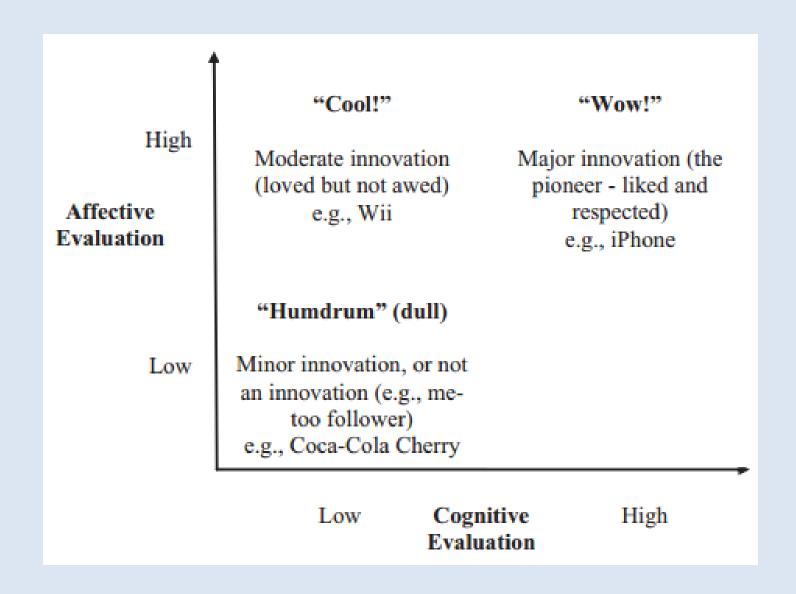


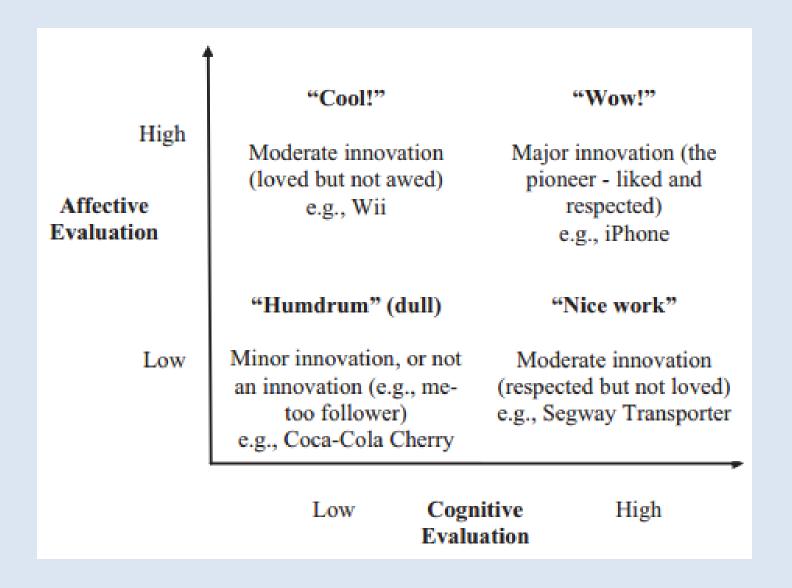












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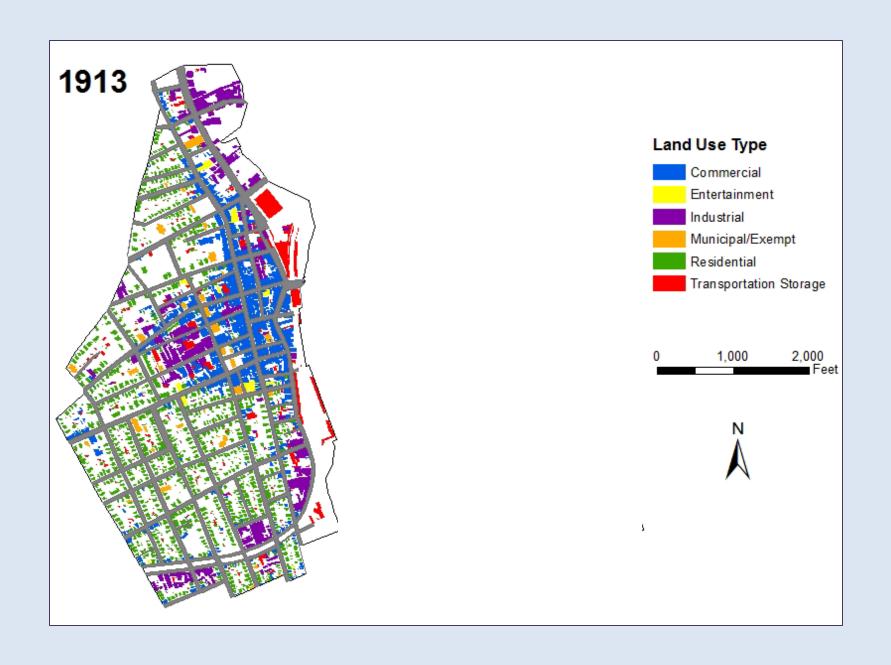
- How should government (at all scales) regulate emerging transportation technology?
- •How will the public learn to interact with self-driving cars?
- •How willing are people to give up control of their vehicle to machines?
- How will any transition to shared ownership of self-driving vehicles affect automobile ownership levels, and ultimately the auto industry?

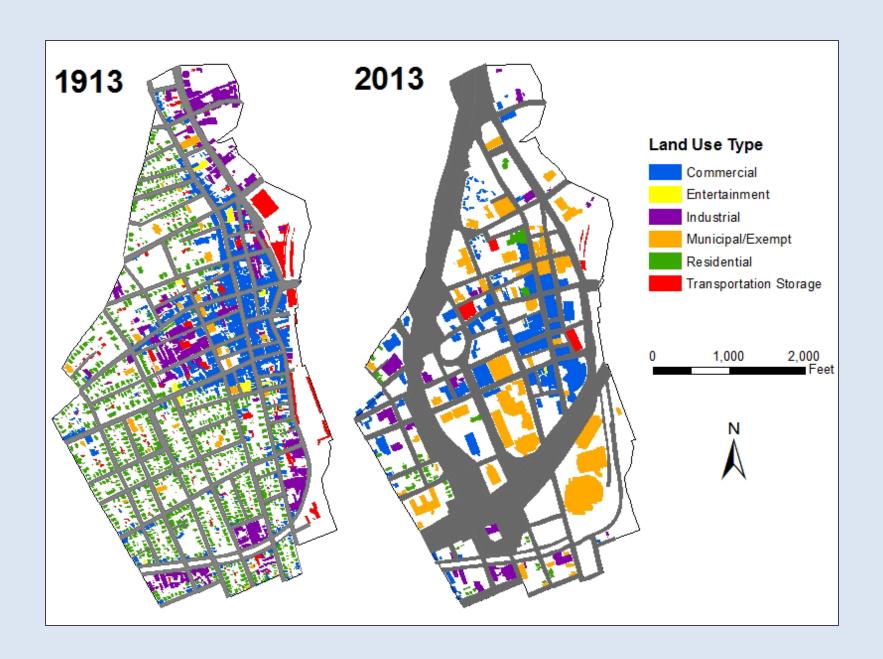
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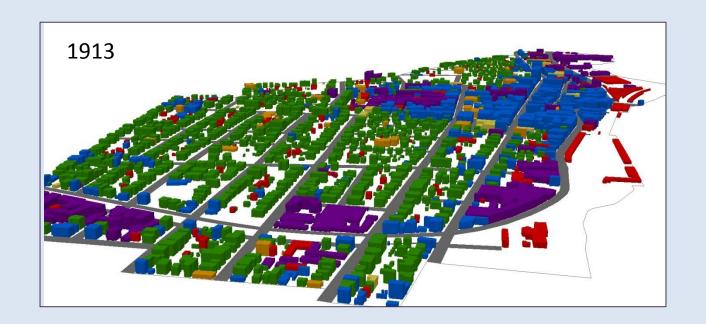
- •Will auto-autos change how much driving is done on US roads and hence GHG emissions?
- •How will self-driving vehicles affect employment in the transportation sector?
- What are the implications of auto autos for jobs?
- •How equitable will the impacts be?
- •Are auto-autos feasible in every location?

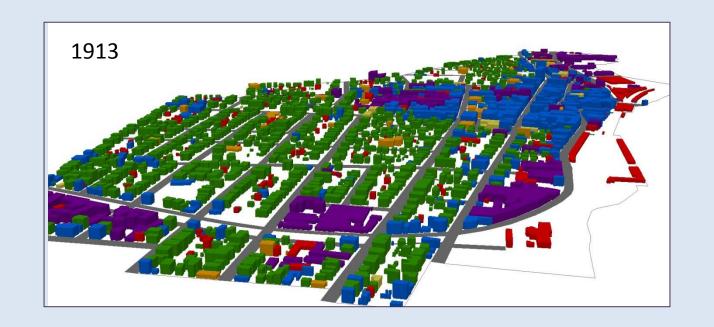
Interstate Highway System

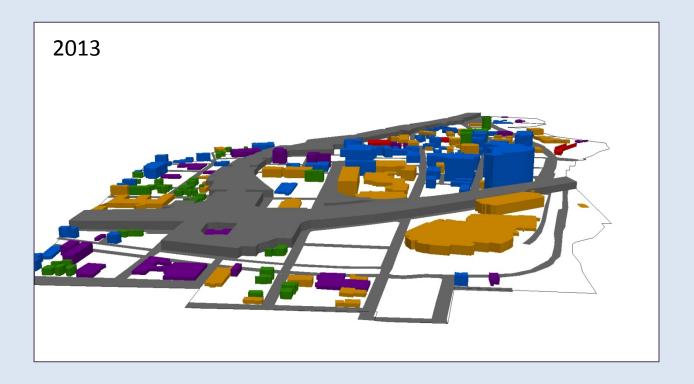


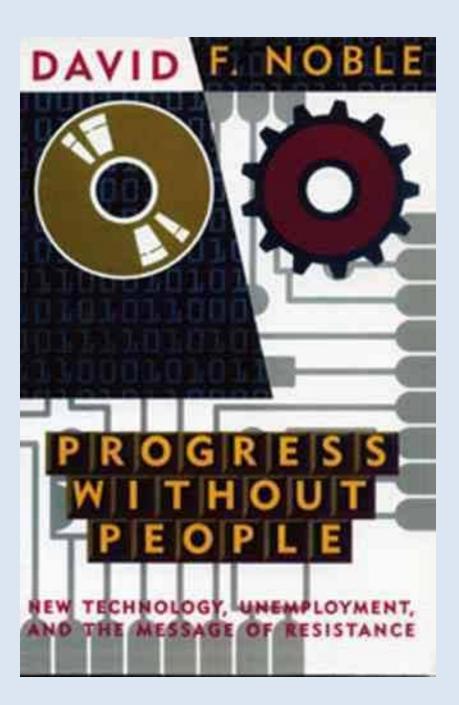














This emerging technology needs to be thoughtfully implemented into society in a way that maximizes the positive impacts and minimizes any unavoidable costs.

