RAY KURZWEIL

The Greatest Inventor of Our Time

Kurzweil, Director of Engineering at Google, has been described as "the restless genius" by Wall Street Journal, "the ultimate thinking machine" by Forbes, and "the rightful heir to Thomas Edison" by Inc Magazine.

Ray Kurzweil, one of the leading inventors of our time, was the principal developer of the first CCD flat-bed scanner, the first omni-font optical character recognition, the first print-to-speech reading machine for the blind, the first text-to-speech synthesizer, and the first commercially marketed large-vocabulary speech recognition, among others.

He is the best-selling author of several books, including "The Age of Intelligent Machines" (1992), "The Age of Spiritual Machines" (1999), "Are We Spiritual Machines?" (2001), "Fantastic Voyage" (2004), "The Singularity is Near" (2006), "Transcend" (2009), and "How

to Create a Mind" (2012).

He is best known for presenting a thought-provoking and long-term big picture view of the future of technology and its implications for society, explaining the exponential growth of technology and its path towards ubiquitous computing, reverse engineering the brain, nanotechnology, full immersion virtual reality, the merging of human and machine, and ultimately extreme human life extension.

Kurzweil is the recipient of the $500.000 MIT-Lemelson Prize, the world's largest for innovation. In 1999 he received the National Medal of Technology -the nation's highest honor in the subject- from President Clinton himself, and in 2002 he was inducted into the National Inventor's Hall of Fame. He has received nineteen honorary doctorates and honors from three U.S presidents.

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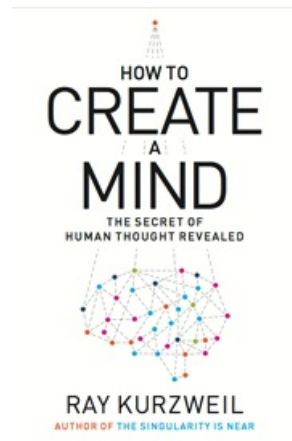- Health and Well-being
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Ray Kurzweil describes a bright future in which technology will provide solutions to the most pressing social, economic, and environmental problems, ideas that form the core thesis of his lectures and latest book "The Singularity is Near". Kurzweil's presentations are relevant across many industries and fields, from the technological to the educational.
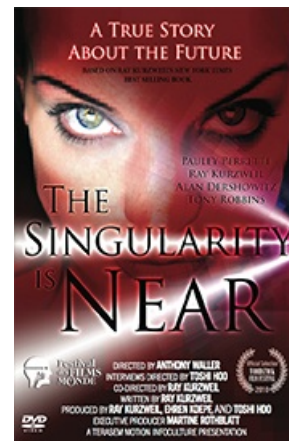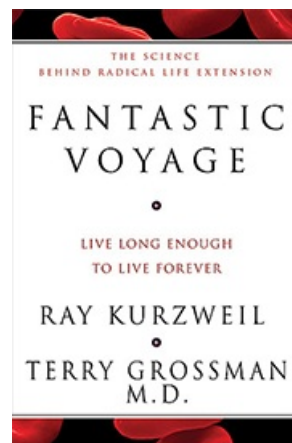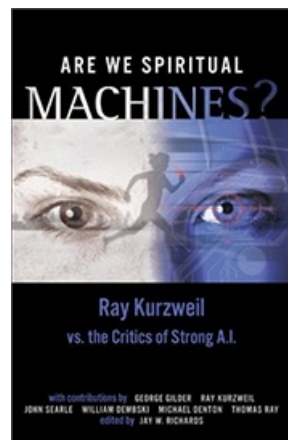
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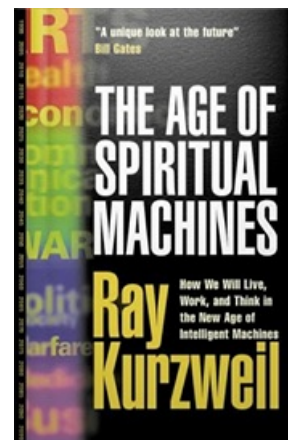
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