Imprint, a community visualization of printer data: designing for open-ended engagement on sustainability

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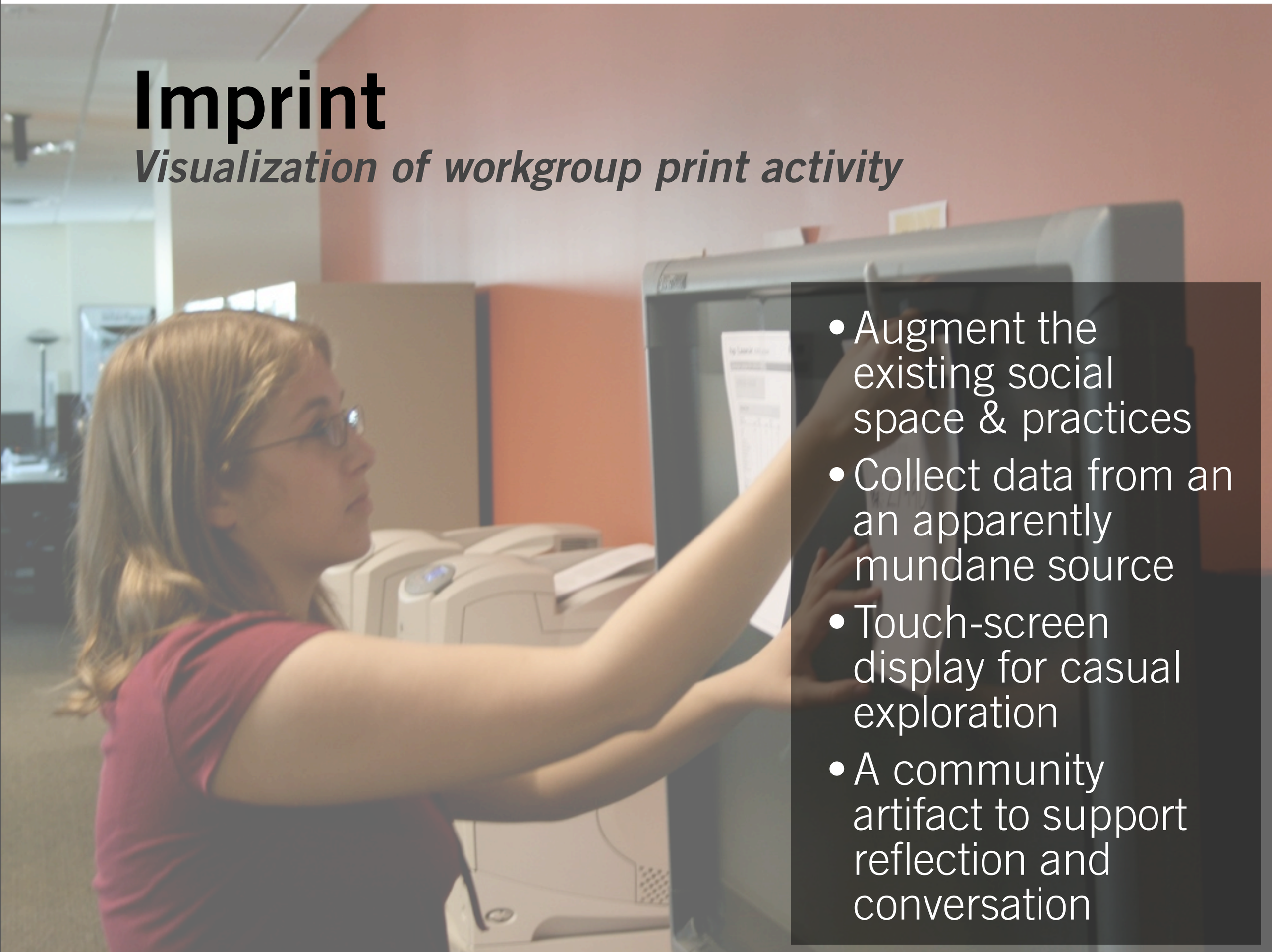
A confession...

I look at my colleagues print jobs ('physical eavesdropping')

Imprint

Visualization of workgroup print activity



- Augment the existing social space & practices
- Collect data from an an apparently mundane source
- Touch-screen display for casual exploration
- A community artifact to support reflection and conversation

Visualizing data for persuasion

Data for self-improvement

Nike+ (see www.nikeplus.com)

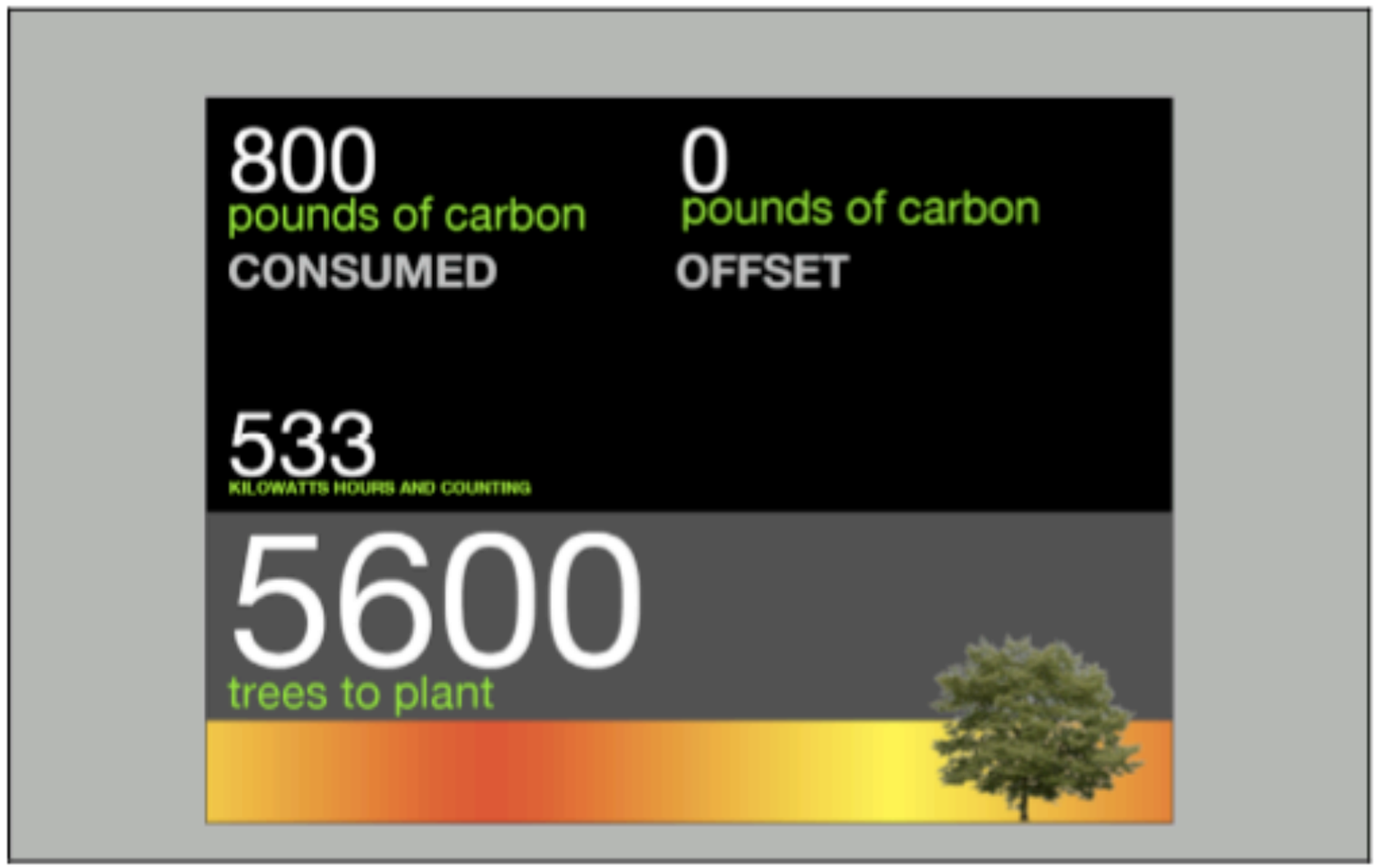
Ubifit Consolvo et al. (CHI 2007, Ubicomp 2008)

Persuasive Mirror de Valle and Opalach (Persuasive 2006)

Visualizing printing & consumption

Stump (1999) by Jeremijenko

SmartCover Grasso and Munier (CSCW 2002)



7000 Oaks and Counting Holmes (C&C 2007)

Visualization of carbon footprint of a building

Design Goals

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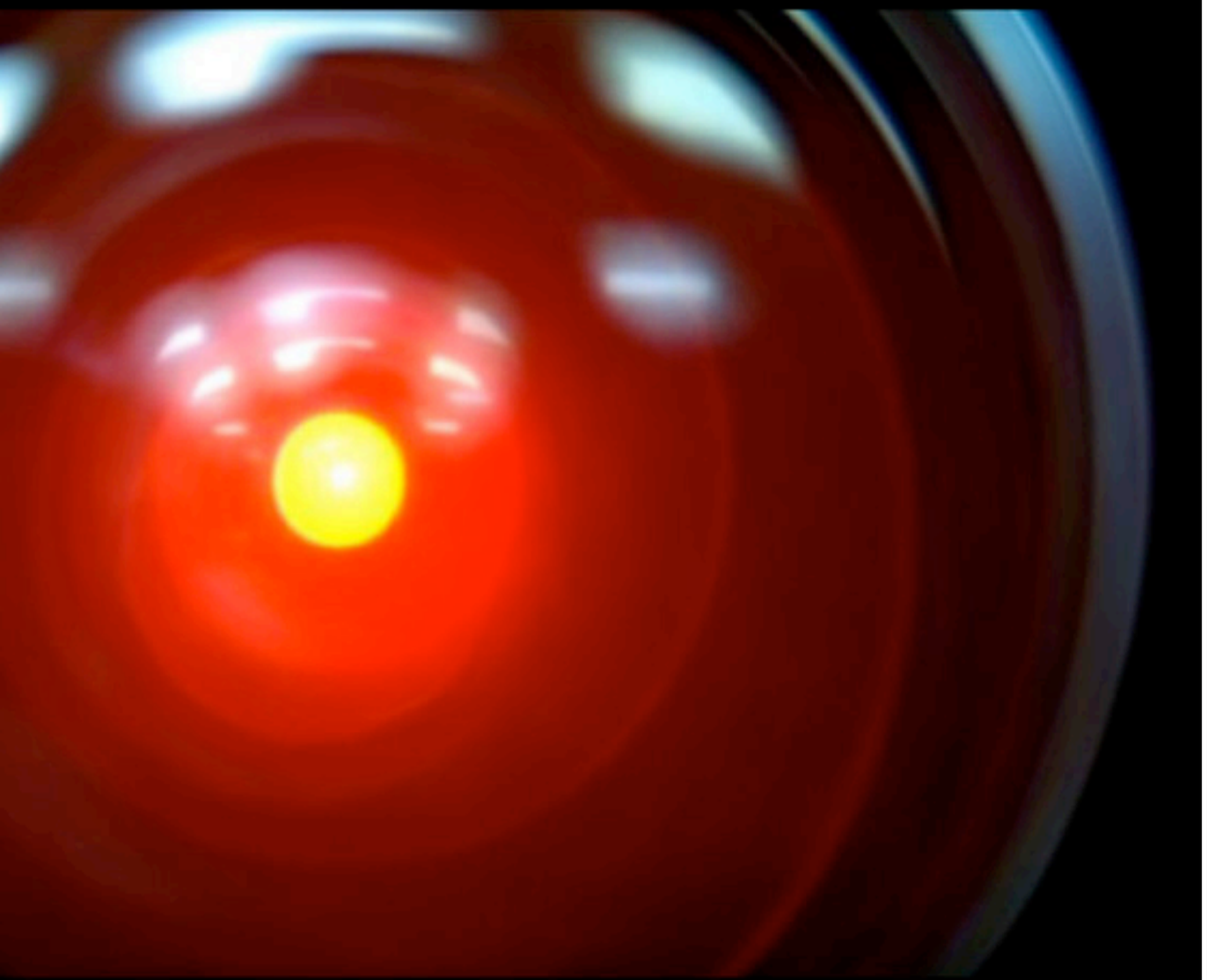
Surveillance literally means *"watching from above"*



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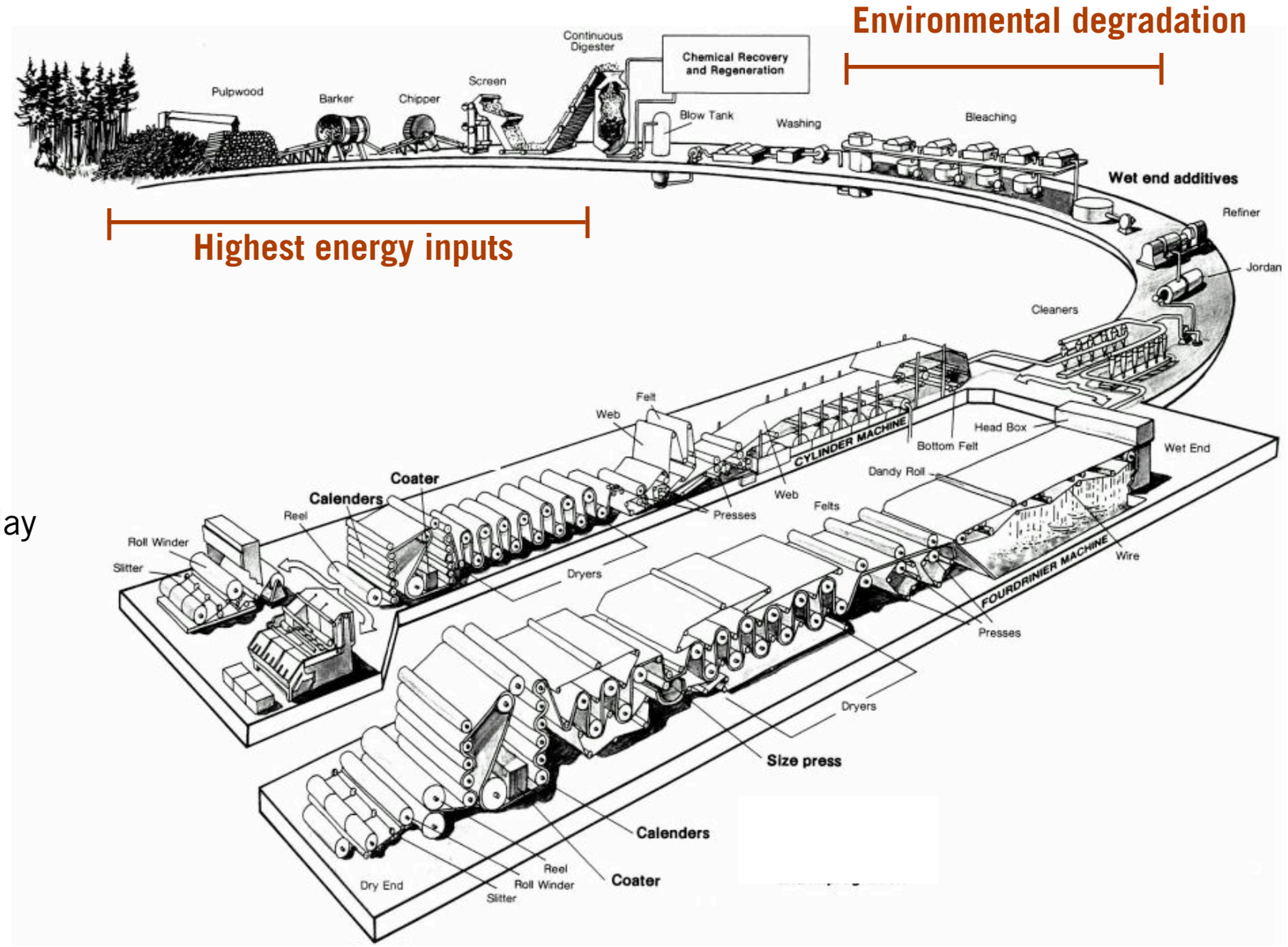

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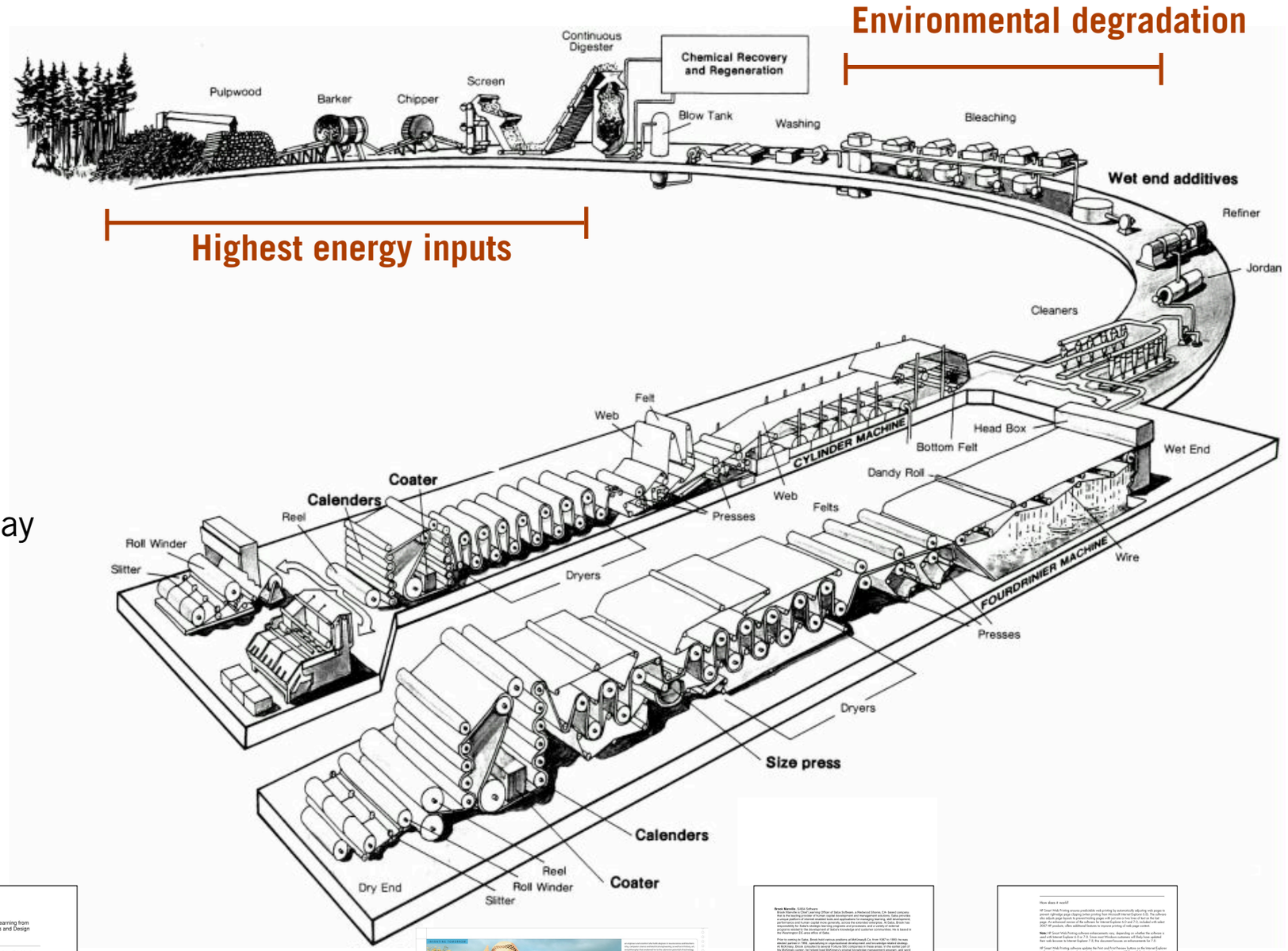

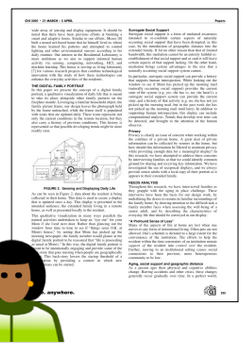

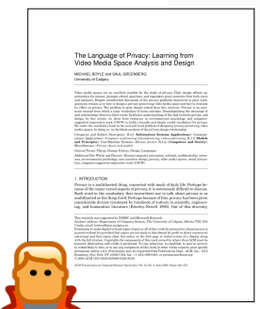

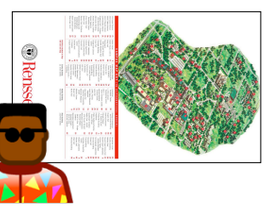

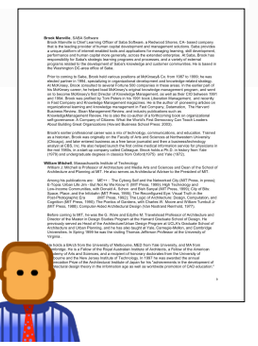

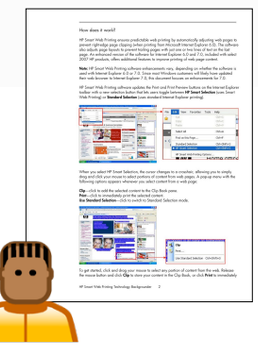

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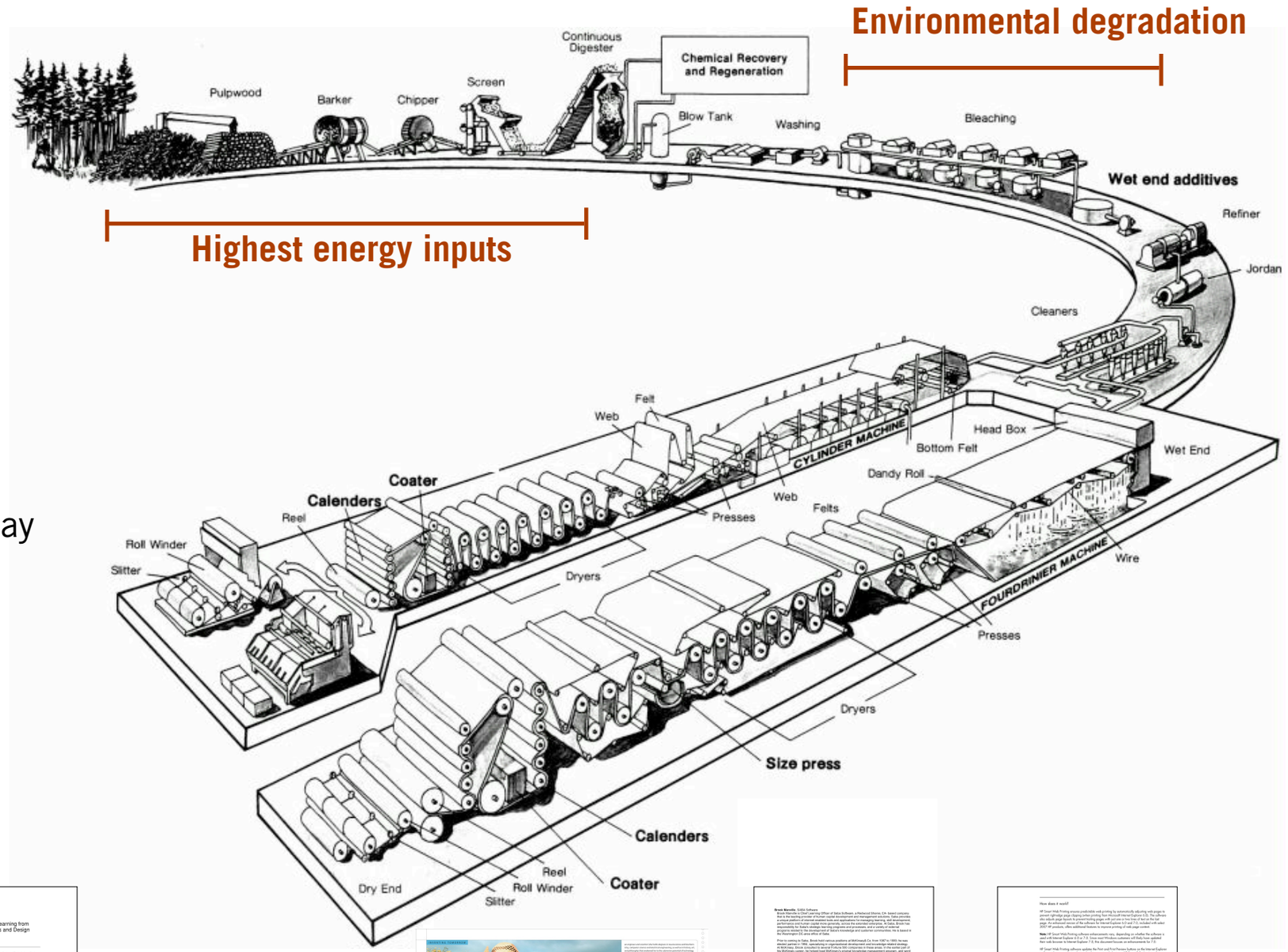
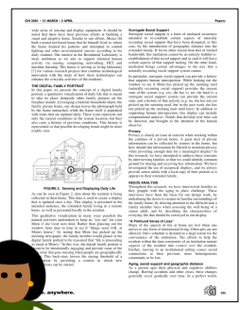
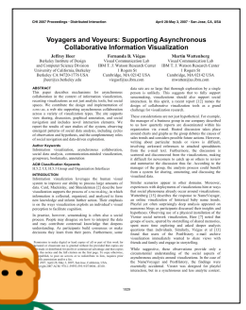
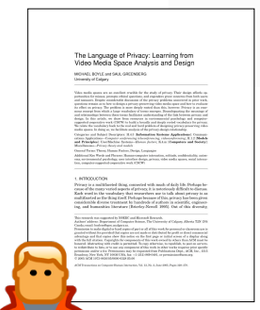
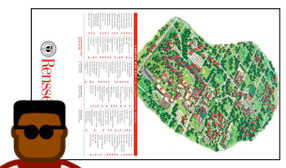
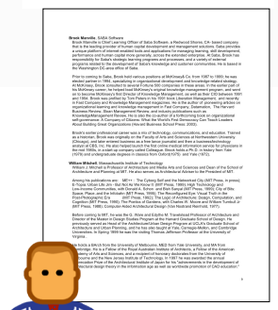


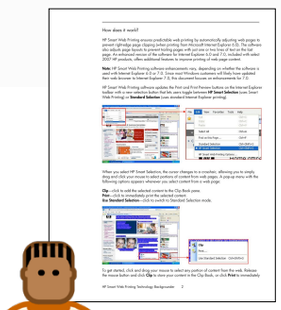












Meta-design

Participatory change through the design/use cycle

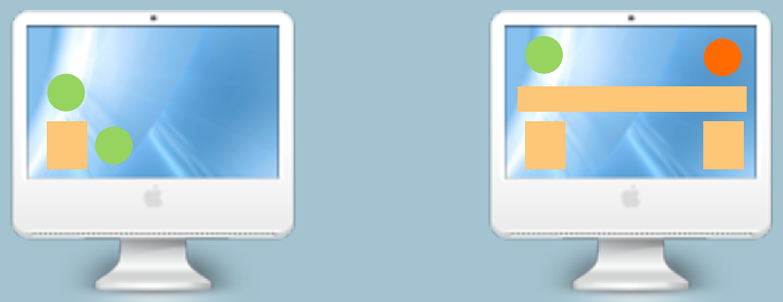
Fischer and Scharff (2000)
Fischer and Giaccardi (2006)

‘Design time’

Seeding

‘Use time’ (design during use)

Evolutionary growth



‘Design time’ iteration

Re-seeding

Participatory Design
(Scandinavian Tradition, 1960s)

Meta-Design *(Design for design)*

Imprint Visualizations

Remember these are the “seeds”

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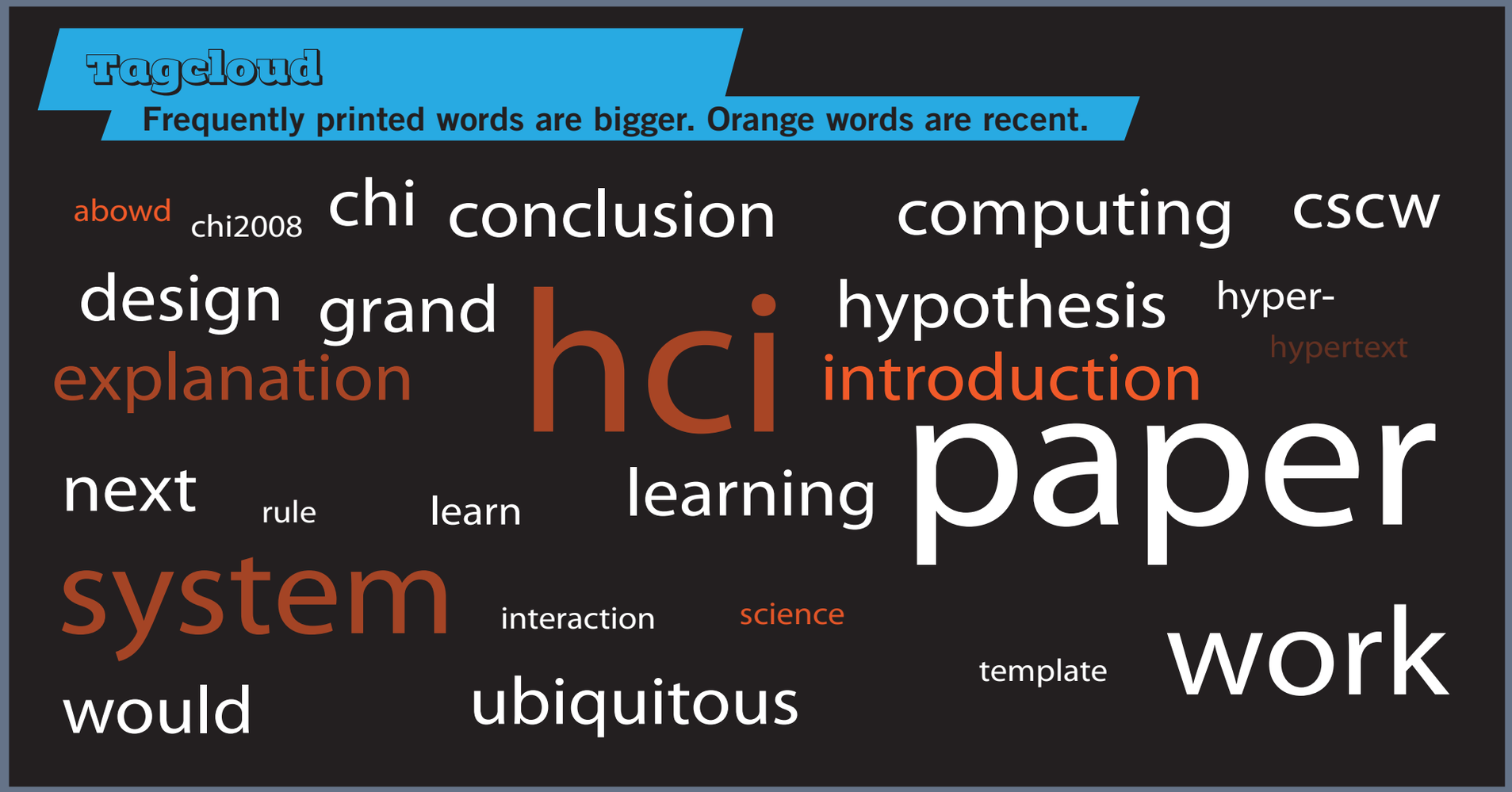
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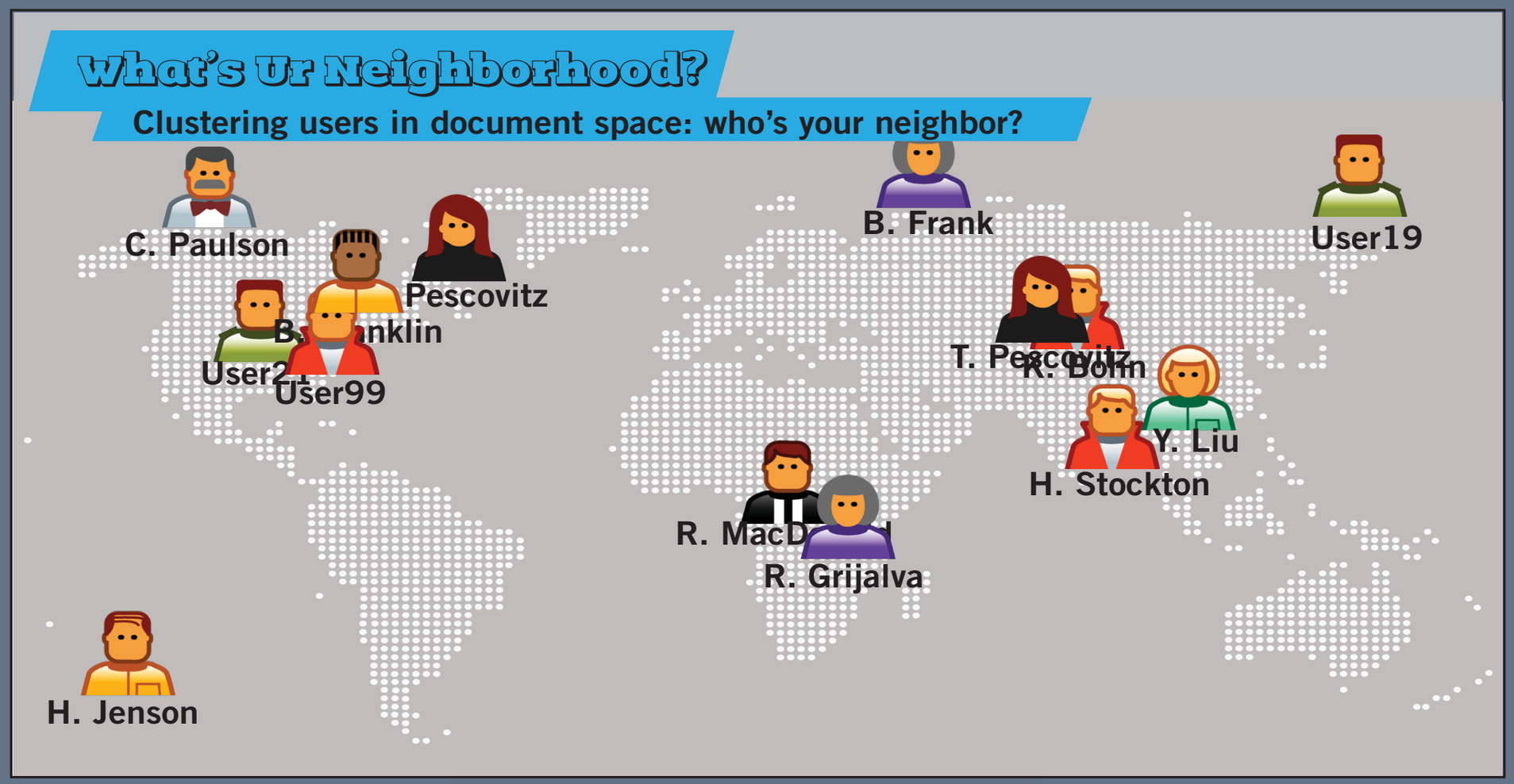
Neighborhood



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Paper used

REPLACE WITH A REAL SCRENSHOT!

‘Work’ versus ‘Play’

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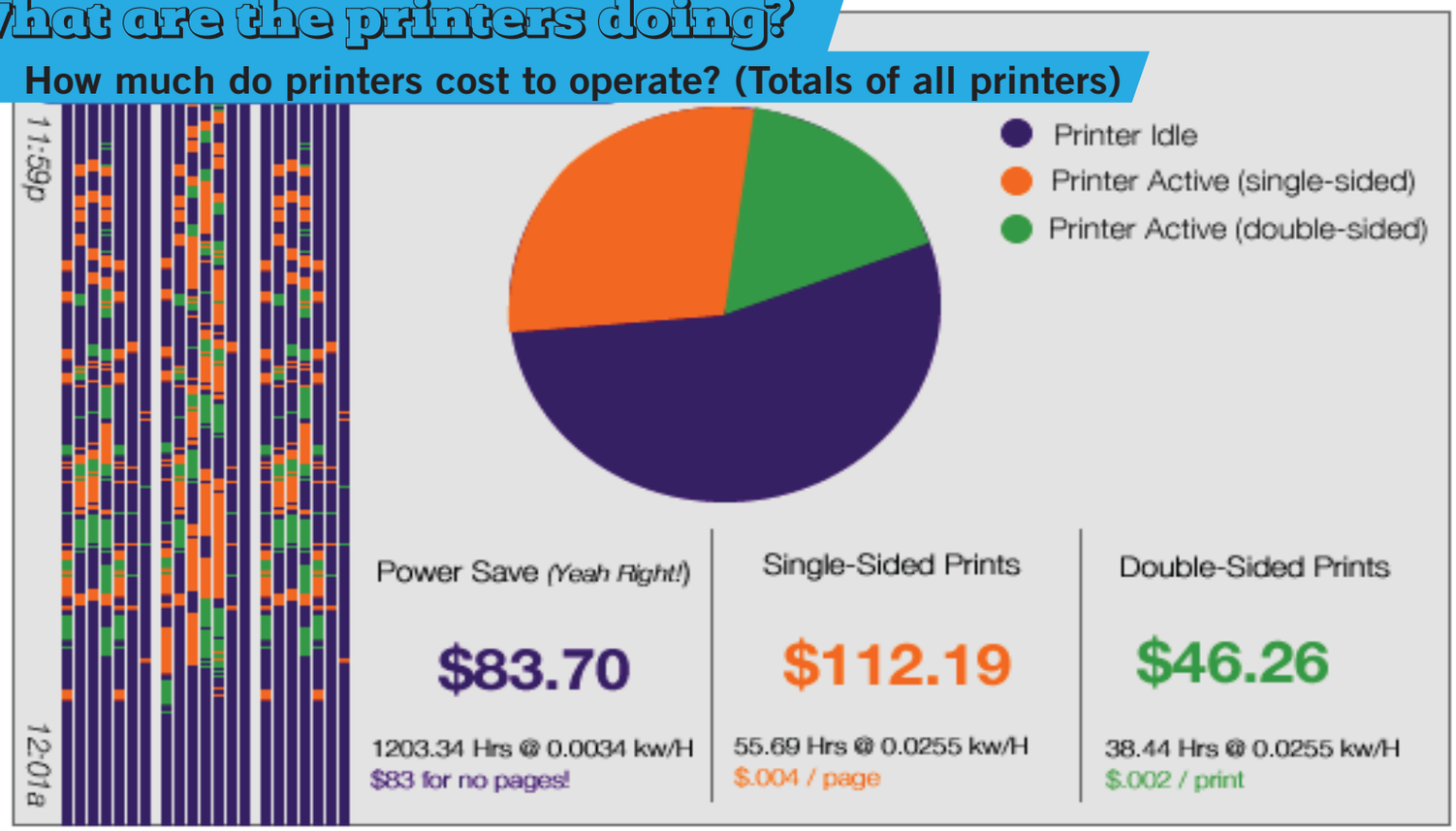
Printing Costs (Active vs Idle)

What are the printers doing?

How much do printers cost to operate? (Totals of all printers)



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Imprint's Footprint

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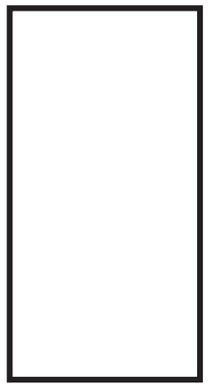
How much energy does Imprint use? How much does it cost?

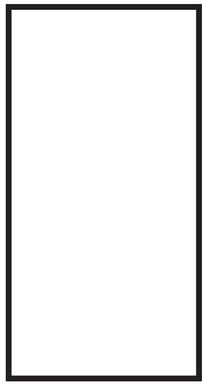
LCD Screen + Touch

$42.07



Client (G4 Powerbook)

$2.90



Server (Dual G4)

$38.18

Total cost (all time)

$83.15

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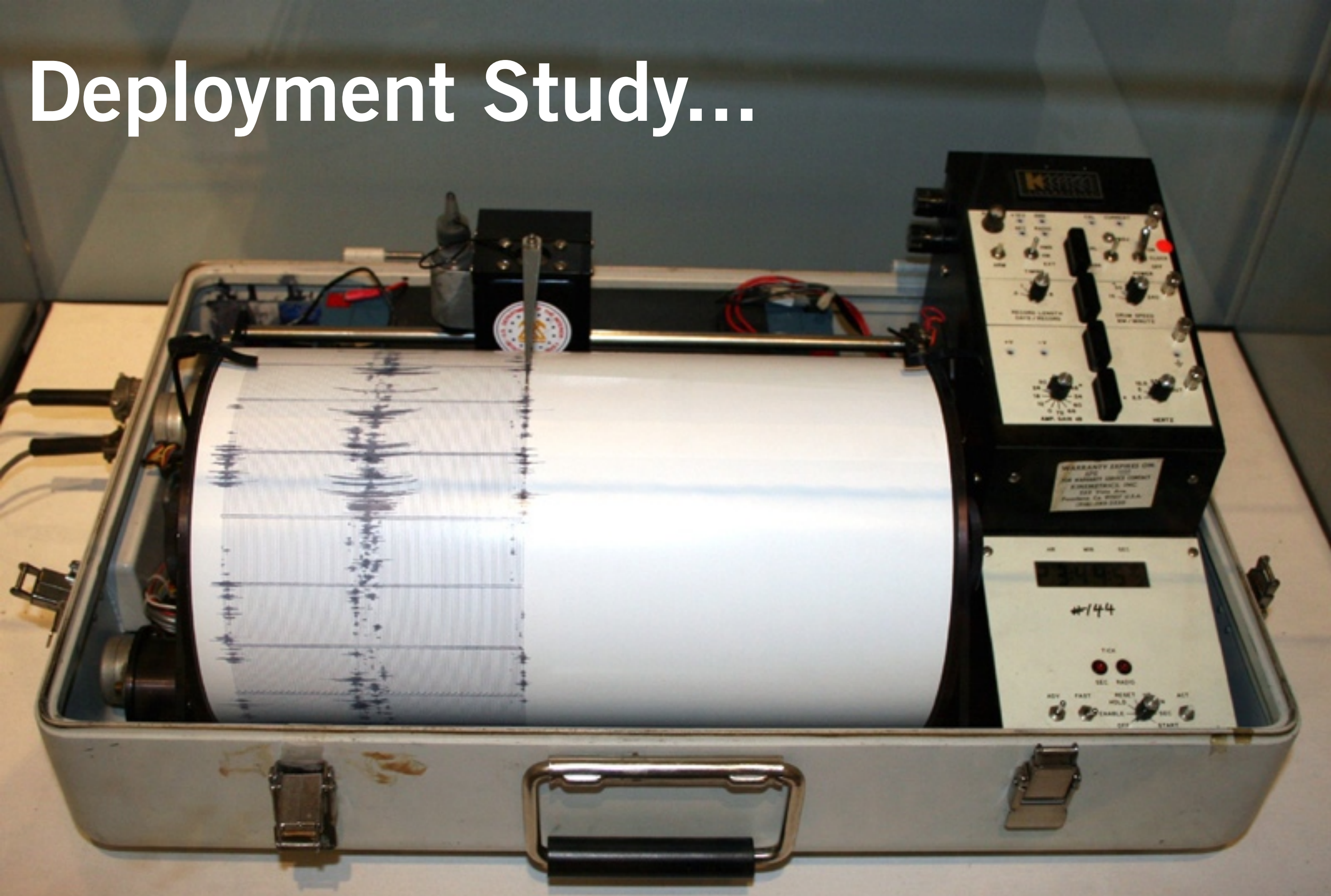

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3.2 billion reams (2004).

Office paper used by businesses. NADEP Environmental Program Office Report 2005.

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It’s not that simple...

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