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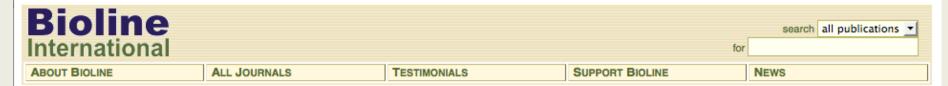


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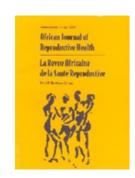
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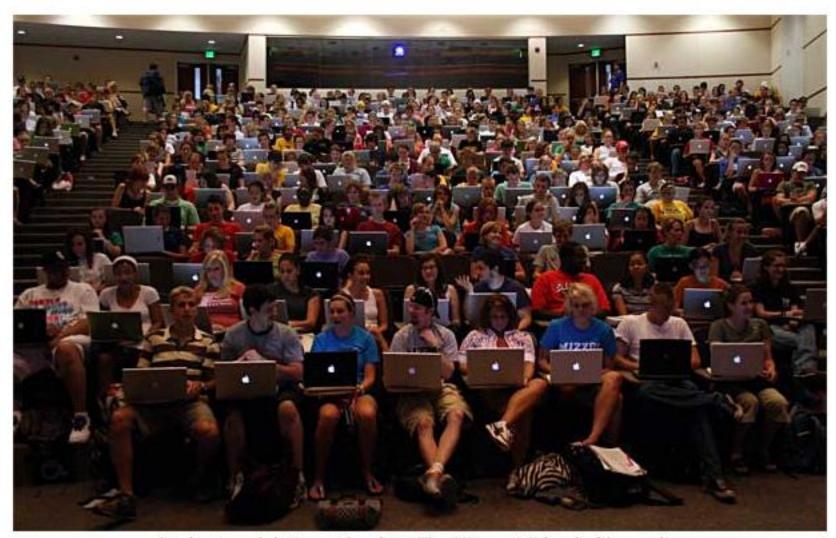
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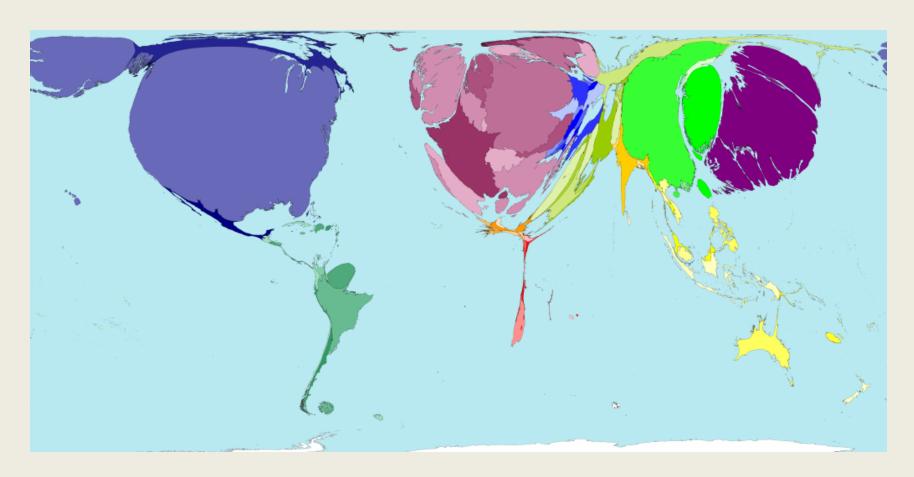
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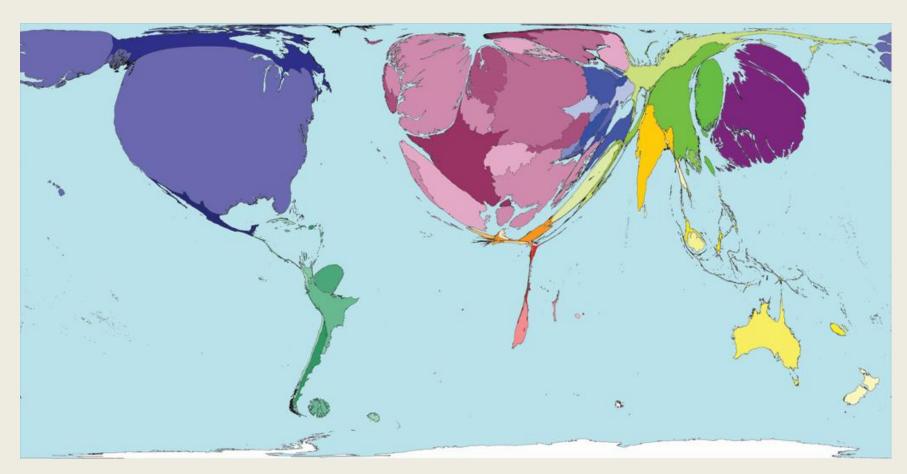
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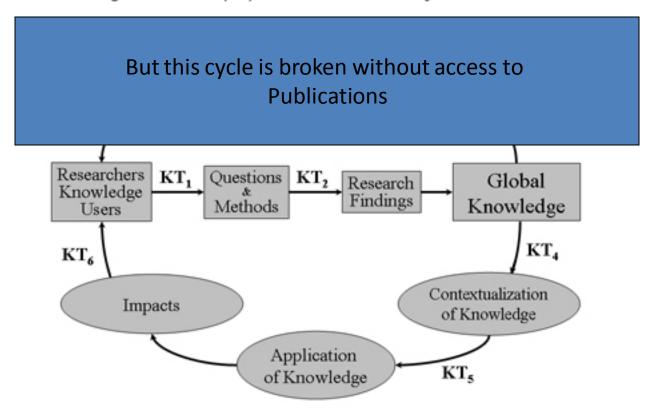




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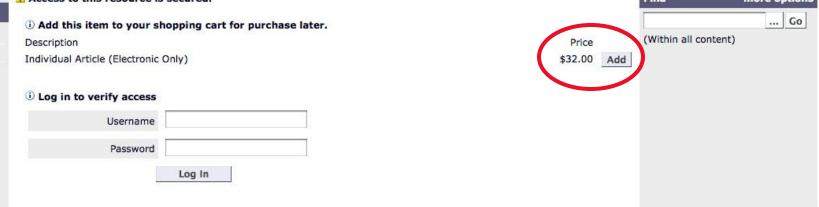
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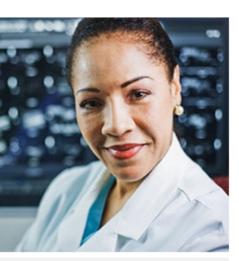
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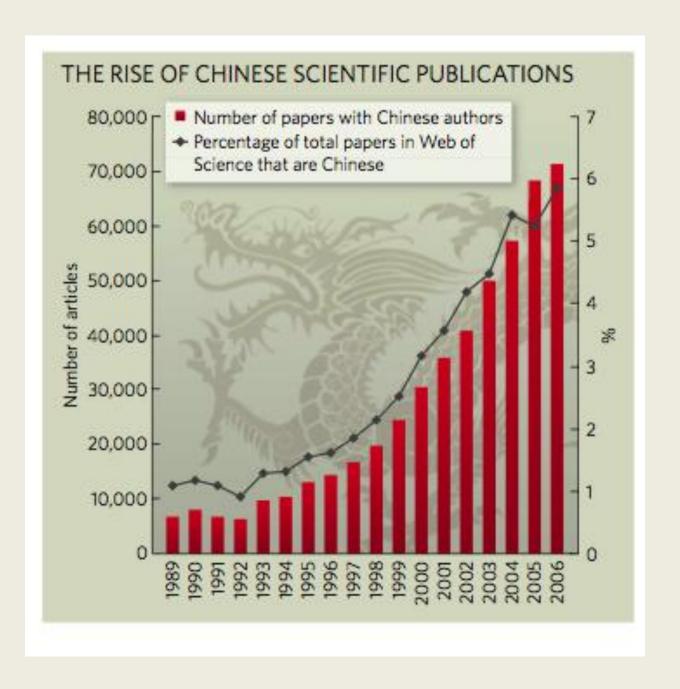
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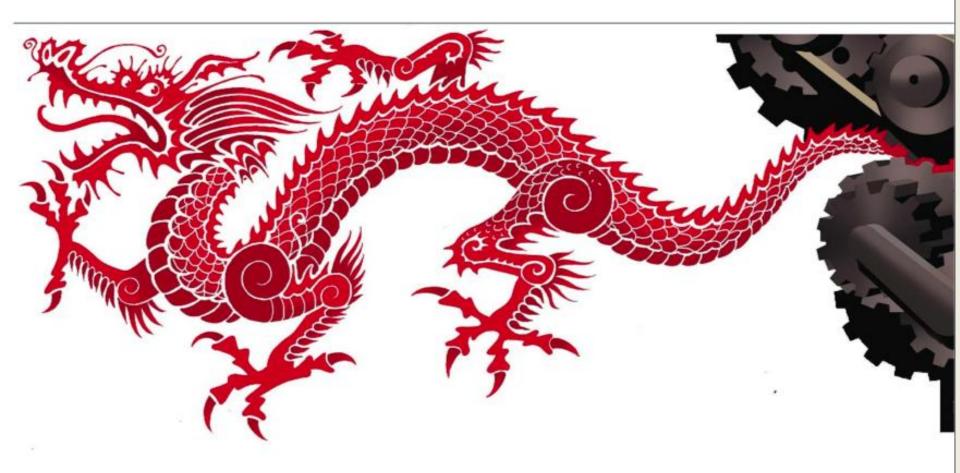
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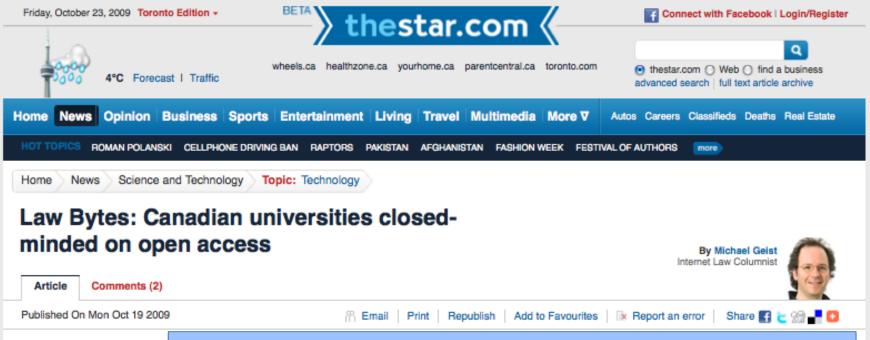
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An Anthropological Introduction to YouTube by Michael Wesch and the Digital Ethnography Working Group

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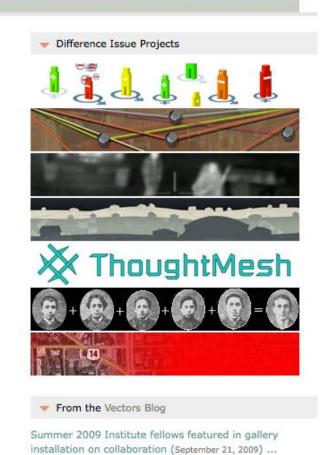
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Difference

This issue is dedicated to the memory of Roy Rosenzweig, a true pioneer of the digital humanities.

Over the last several years, I have simultaneously been doing two very different kinds of writing about new technology, one examining race and digital media, often in relation to representation and identity, and one engaging the formal and phenomenological structures of new media. I am continually amazed by how easy it is to hold these two types of work apart and have come to believe that the very forms of electronic culture encourage just such a partitioning or modularity, making it hard to sustain connections across fields of knowledge. In our engagement with digital media, we tend to focus at one level or on isolated examples, unable to move between modules or across scales.

Many writing on new technology in the mid 1990s commented on the parallels between the ways of knowing modeled in computer culture and in theories of poststructuralism. Meanwhile, critical race and postcolonial scholars have highlighted how certain tendencies within poststructuralist theory simultaneously respond to and marginalize blackness. This maneuver may at least partially be possible because of a parallel and increasing dispersion of electronic forms across culture, forms which simultaneously enact and shape these new modes of thinking. Certain modes of racial visibility and knowing coincide or dovetail with specific technologies of vision: if the electronic underwrites today's key modes of vision and is a central technology in post-World War II America, these technologized ways of seeing and knowing took shape in a world also struggling with shifting knowledges and representations of race.



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The possible futures of scholarly journal publishing

This article is based on a talk given by the author at the 32nd UKSG Annual Conference, Torquay, UK, March 30-April 1, 2009 and first appeared in Serials, Volume 22, Number 2, Pages 99-103, 2009, doi:10.1629/2299.

The information industry landscape is changing at a rate that would have been unimaginable just a few years ago. As the digital revolution continues to unfold, many existing publishing enterprises will either cease to exist or be transformed into a form that is virtually unrecognizable from their current one. Three factors will shape the future of scholarly journal publishing: the success of open access versus toll access business models, the survival of the journal brand on the author side, and the survival of the journal brand on the reader/librarian side. Whether you find some of these possible futures desirable or catastrophic depends on who you are.











I will start with a quick overview of what is happening in some of the traditional media industries and the significant challenges they are facing. I will try to make the point that scholarly journal publishing is immune from most of these problems. Nevertheless, journal publishing is going to evolve over the next few years. I will present the three big changes that I believe will shape the future of journal publishing, the main drivers behind these changes, as well as their most important consequences. I will then offer some closing remarks.

There is wide agreement in our industry that publishers need to reassess the value they provide in the new digital era. This is very well captured by a recent quotation by Clay Shirky:

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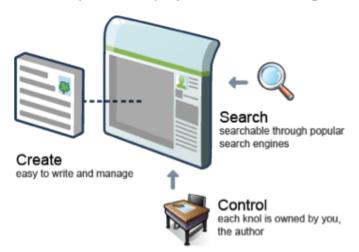
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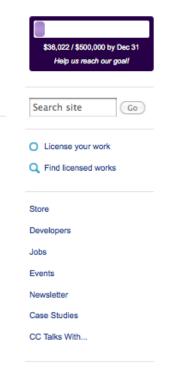
Jane Park, October 6th, 2009

AcaWiki, a project I briefly mentioned in Opening Education-the little things you can do, launches this week. Dubbed as the "Wikipedia for academic research," AcaWiki's mission is "to make academic research more accessible and interactive" by "[enabling] users to easily post and discuss human-readable summaries of academic papers and literature reviews online." Founder Neeru Paharia (a doctoral candidate at Harvard Business School) explains that "cutting-edge research is often locked behind firewalls and therefore lacks impact. AcaWiki turns research hidden in academic journals into something that is more dynamic and accessible to have a greater influence in scholarship, and society."

From the press release.

"AcaWiki's work follows on the work of open-access publishers such as the Public Library of Science, as well as on the tradition of using new media to create public dialogue with science. Currently, it can cost up to \$35 to download an academic paper—a significant cost, especially because thorough research on any topic usually entails downloading many papers. AcaWiki's approach takes advantage of the fact that copyright does not apply to ideas, only to the written expression of those ideas. Scholars can thus post summaries of their or others' research online as long as they are not copying verbatim beyond what fair-use laws permit. John Seely Brown, former head of the Xerox Palo Alto Research Center and a leader in the open education movement, says, "AcaWiki complements [the movement's] work and opens a whole new dimension of making research accessible to the public."

Like OpenEd, AcaWiki is "built using Semantic MediaWiki, combining the sophistication of the semantic web with the ease-of-use of a wiki. The site enables comments, discussion, user profiles, and tagging." All AcaWiki content is available via CC BY.



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International Open Education **Efforts**

14 October 2009 by openedblogger

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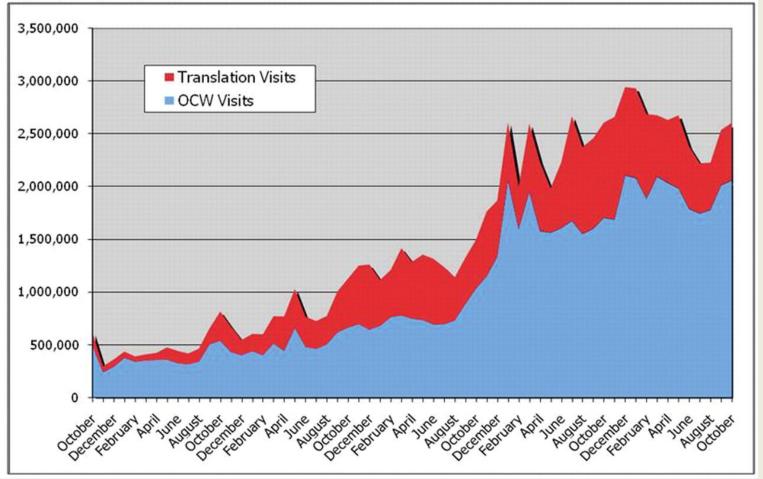


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Salman Khan (Sal) founded the Khan Academy with the goal of using technology to educating the world

Sal received his MBA from Harvard Business School, He also holds a Masters in electrical engineering and computer science, a BS in electrical engineering and computer science, and a BS in mathematics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Frequently Asked Questions.

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