

# What's the Tea on the Metaverse?!

What young engineers need to know about the metaverse.

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Briggs-Rauscher Reaction

## About Me

Q: What sparked your interest in augmented and virtual reality?

**I was always intrigued by what constitutes physical reality.**

The span of my academia studies:

Chemistry → Physics → Electrical Engineering  
Computer Science → Design → Bioengineering

# Glossary

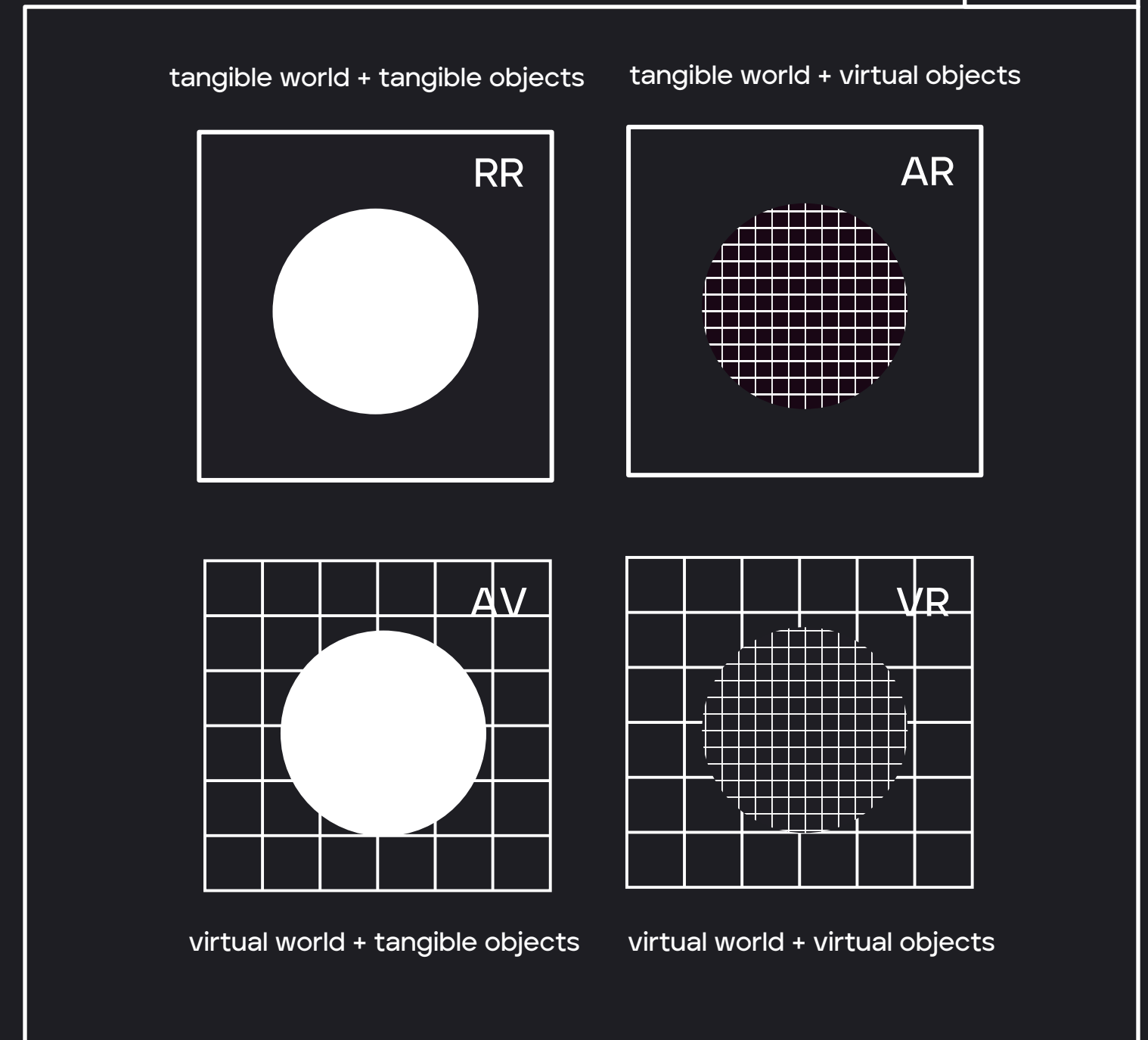
These terms are not up for discussion!

If you'd rather discuss acronyms than code, you'll fit in well on Twitter.



TRIGGER WARNING  
It's more frustrating than Node.JS

MR/XR

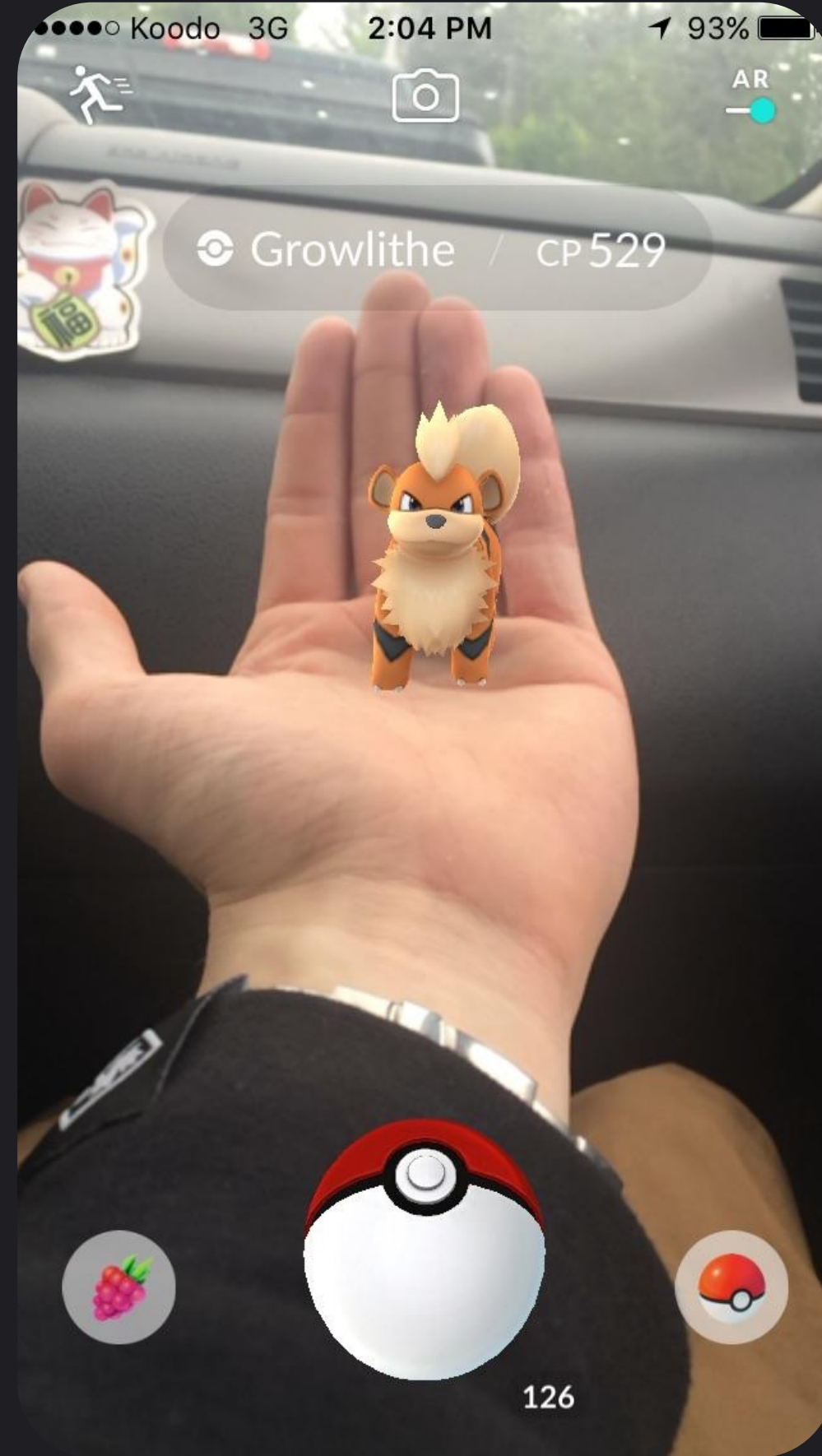


- XR = Extended Reality, Mixed Reality
- AR = Augmented Reality
- AV = Augmented Virtuality
- VR = Virtual Reality

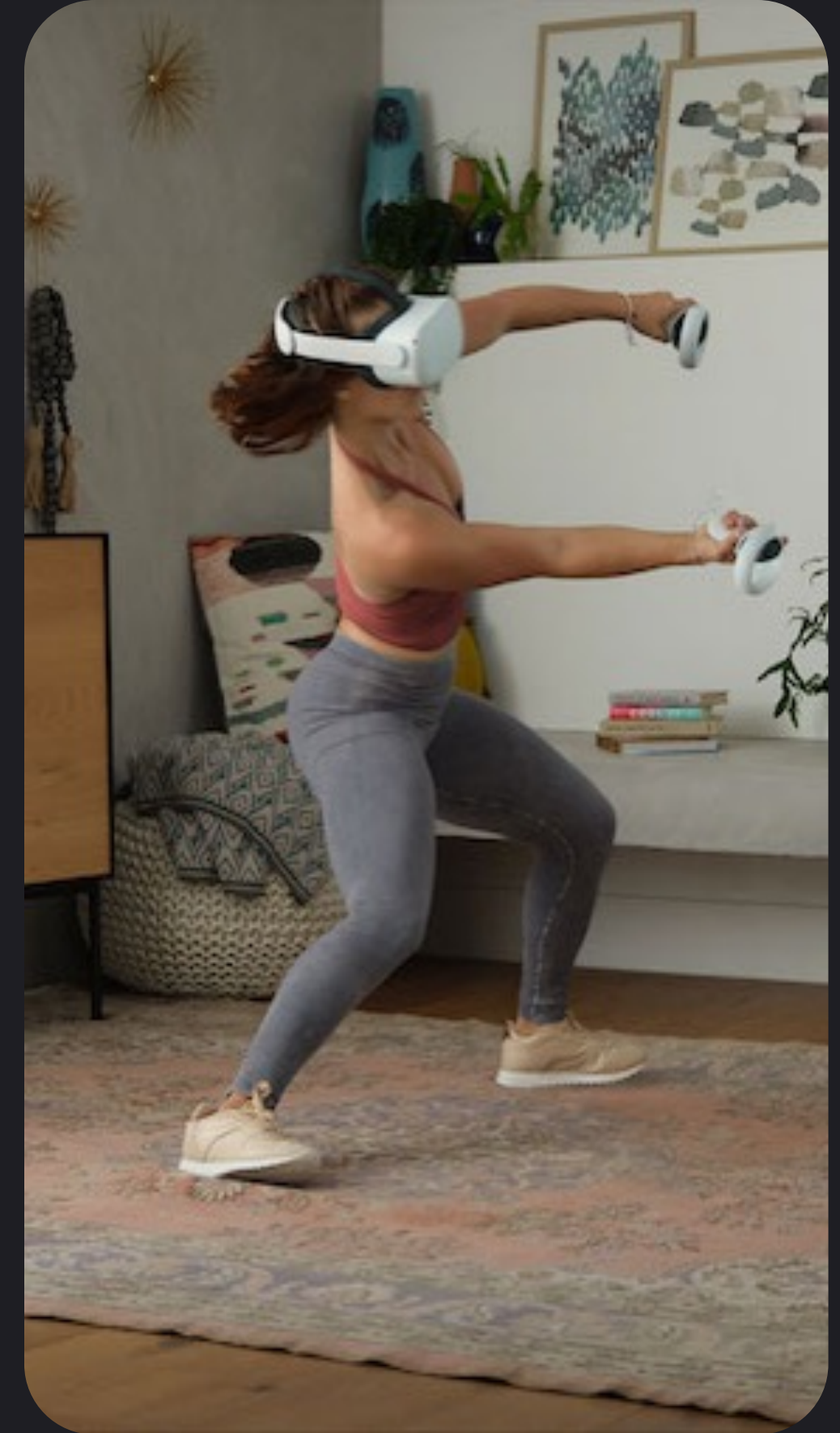




Augmented Reality – Face Filters



Augmented Reality – Pokémon Go



Virtual Reality – Oculus Quest




# So, what is the Metaverse?

The virtual ambience? The internet in three dimensions? Alternate economies and universes? All of these terms refer to the metaverse.

The Metaverse is not Facebook Meta!





A photograph of Cardi B lying on her back in a field of thousands of US dollar bills. She is wearing a black crop top and black shorts, and her hair is blonde and voluminous. She is looking up at the camera with a slight smile. The money is scattered all around her, covering the ground and some of her clothing. The lighting is warm and golden, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is one of wealth and success.

Cardi B – Money

Why the media cares  
about the metaverse.



# Why we (should) care.



Ready Player One



Keiichi Matsuda – Hyperreality



Let's prevent this!



# --- What are the Rules of the Metaverse?

There is only one metaverse

The metaverse is for everyone

Nobody Controls the Metaverse

The Metaverse is Open

The Metaverse is Hardware Independent

The Metaverse is a Network

The Metaverse is the Internet



# --- What are the Layers of the Metaverse?

Games, Social Esports, Games, Shopping

Ad Networks, Social Curation, Ratings, Stores, Agents

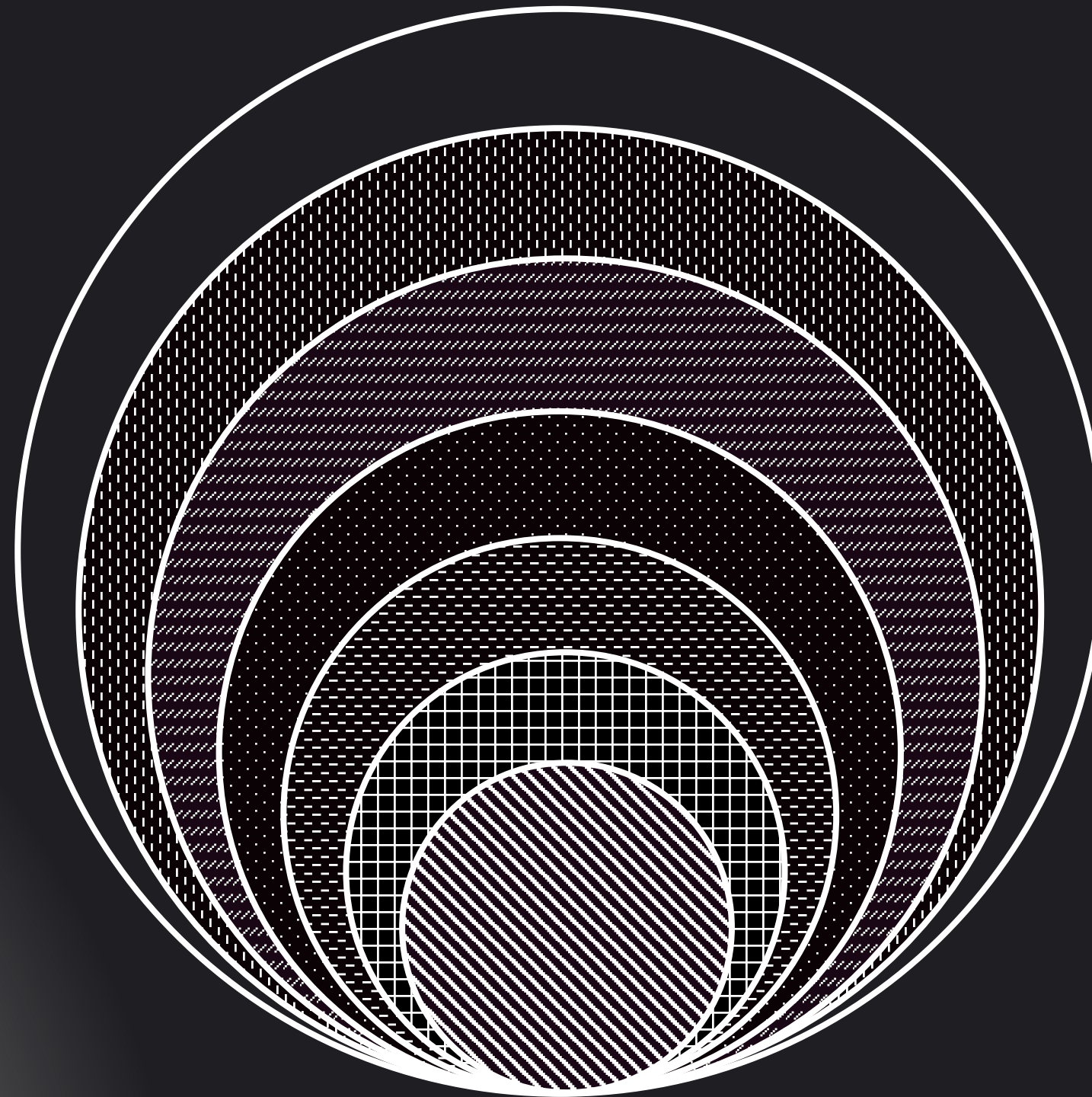
Design Tools, Asset Markets, Workflow, Commerce

3D Engines, VR/AR/XR, Multitasking UI, Spatial Mapping

Edge Computing, AI Agents, Microservices, Blockchain

Mobile, Smartphone, Wearable, Haptic, Gesture, Voice, Neural

5G Wifi 6, 6G, Cloud, 7 nm to 1.4nm, MEMS, GPUs, Materials



Experience

Discovery

Creator Economy

Spatial Computing

Decentralization

Human Interface

Infrastructure



# 310%

## Demand for AI Engineers in 2021

— HIRED

Machine Learning Engineer, Data Scientist,  
Deep Learning Engineer

# 1400%

## Demand for for AR/VR Engineers in 2021

— HIRED

AR Engineer, Gameplay Programmer, VR  
Engineer, Software Engineer, AR/VR

# What are the most used XR platforms?

Artists  
Creative Coders

Programmers

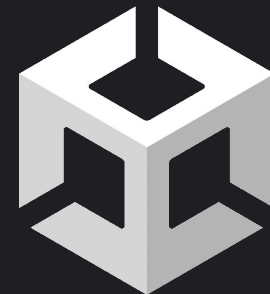
Web Developer

Artists  
Creative Coders

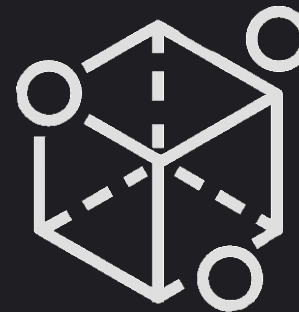
Architects/3D Artists  
Programmers



Spark AR



Unity Games



Amazon Sumerian



Lens Studio



Unreal Engine

JavaScript

C#

JavaScript

JavaScript

Visual Scripting  
C++

# But what about NFTs?

I suggest you take CS 414 Blockchain Programming.



–What other classes should I take if I want in?

ART 297

CS 240

CS 414

CS 461

CS 470

ENGIN211L

MATH 260

PHYSICS 312

PSYCH 255

Introduction to Digital Media Art

Programming in C

Blockchain Programming

Computer Games Programming

An Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Digital Systems with Lab

Linear Algebra

Mechanics

Perception

THANK YOU! ✦  
ANY QUESTIONS? ✦

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