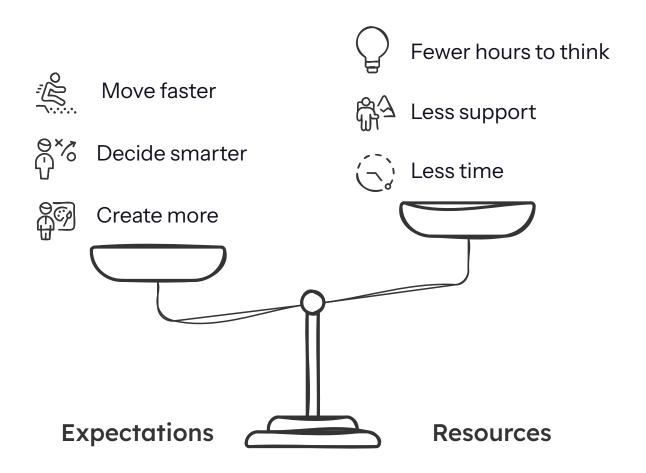


# AI: the Magic and the Machine

Humans can't keep up





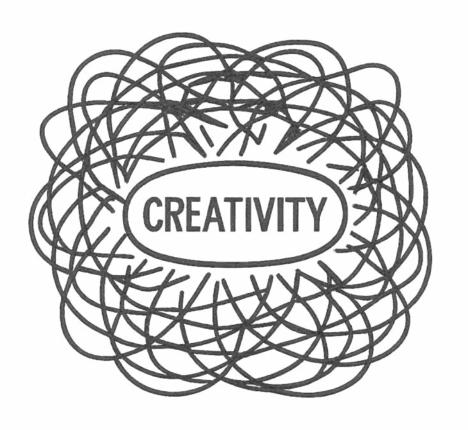
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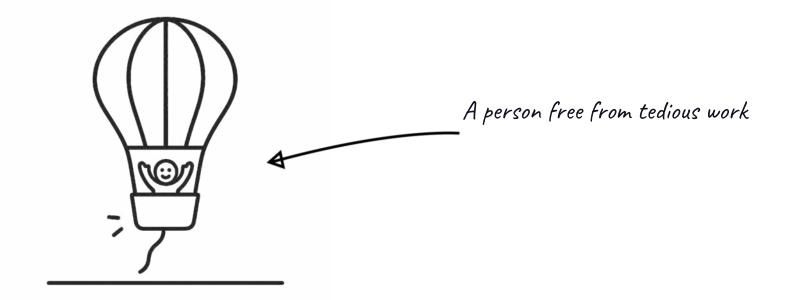


Deadlines shrink



**Meetings multiply** 





# Hi! I'm Tom Lanaway



Luna the dog

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Luna the dog

I'm connectives 's Innovation Strategy Manager



I'm part of a team with one mission

# Fix the broken state of work and unleash human potential

Broken state of work?

80% Inputs

**20**% Impact

% Inputs

% Impact

What the heck are inputs and impact?

## Inputs

### The stuff that clogs our day

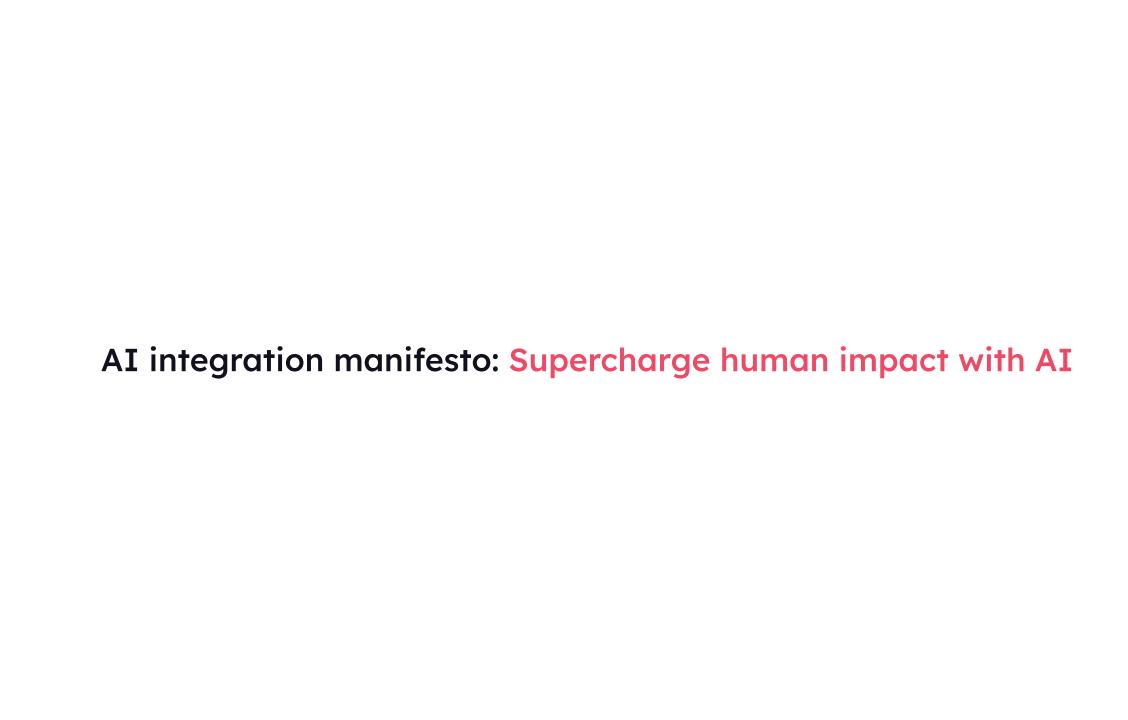
- Taking meeting notes
- Collecting data
- Analysing data
- Writing reports

# **Impact**

### The things that drive real growth

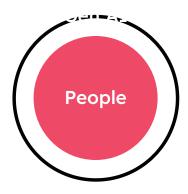
- Creating strategy
- Generating ideas
- Solving problems
- Building relationships





## Our AI integration manifesto: Supercharge human impact with AI

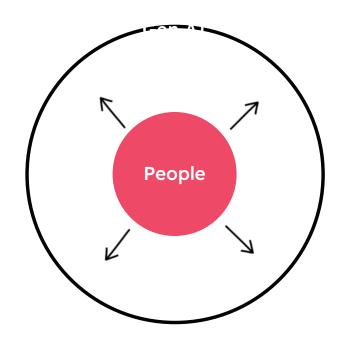
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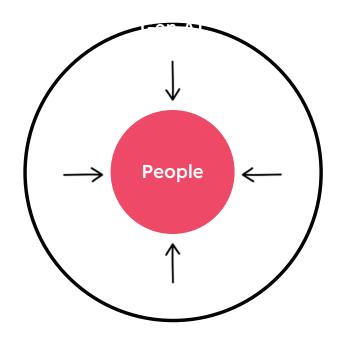


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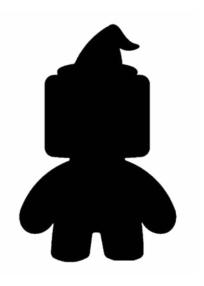
2. Use AI to amplify, not replace

3. Ensure every Al action is visible

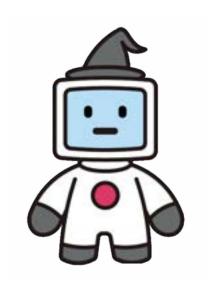


Supercharge human impact with AI What is doing the supercharging?

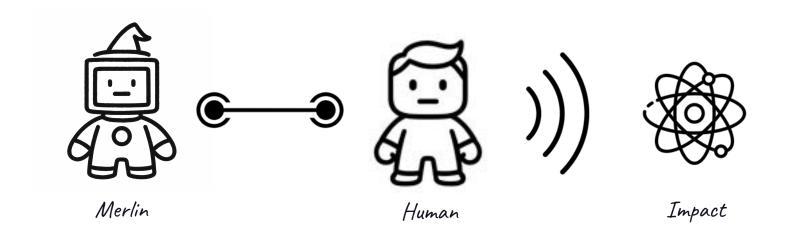
## We wanted to give AI a persona

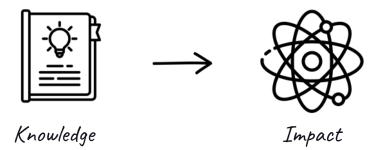


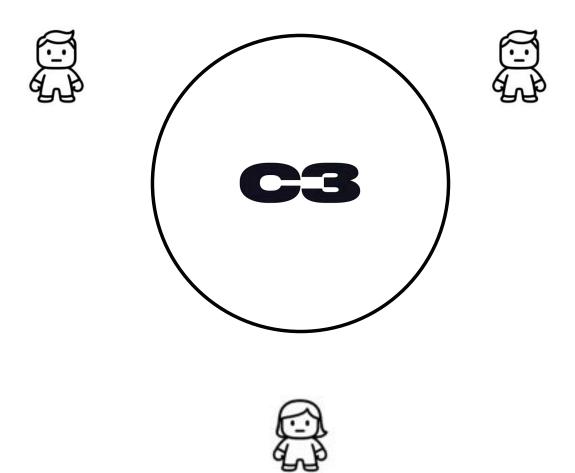
### And so Merlin was born

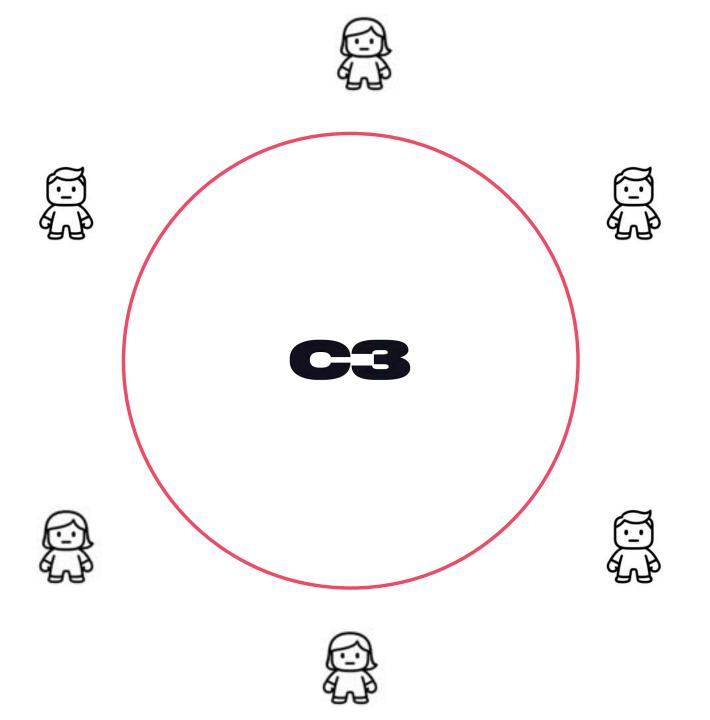


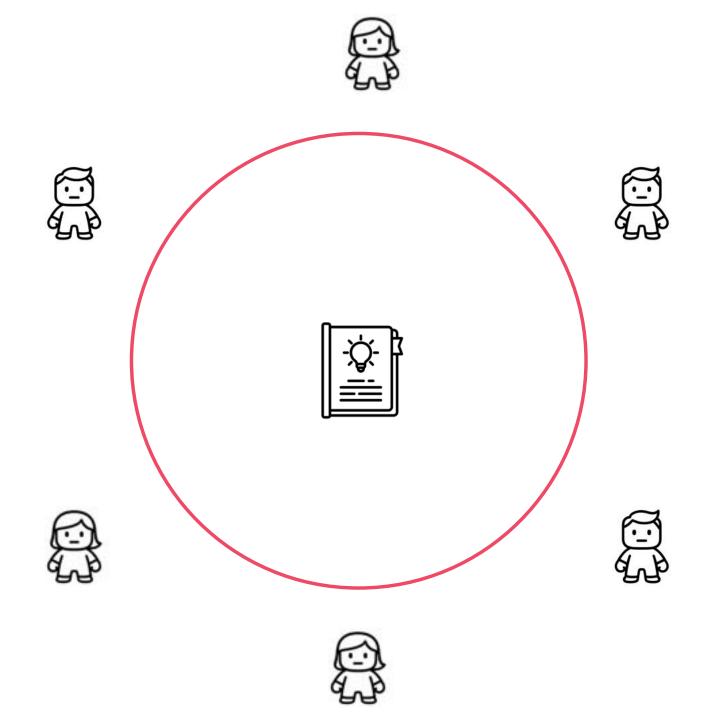
## Merlin was designed to supercharge human impact

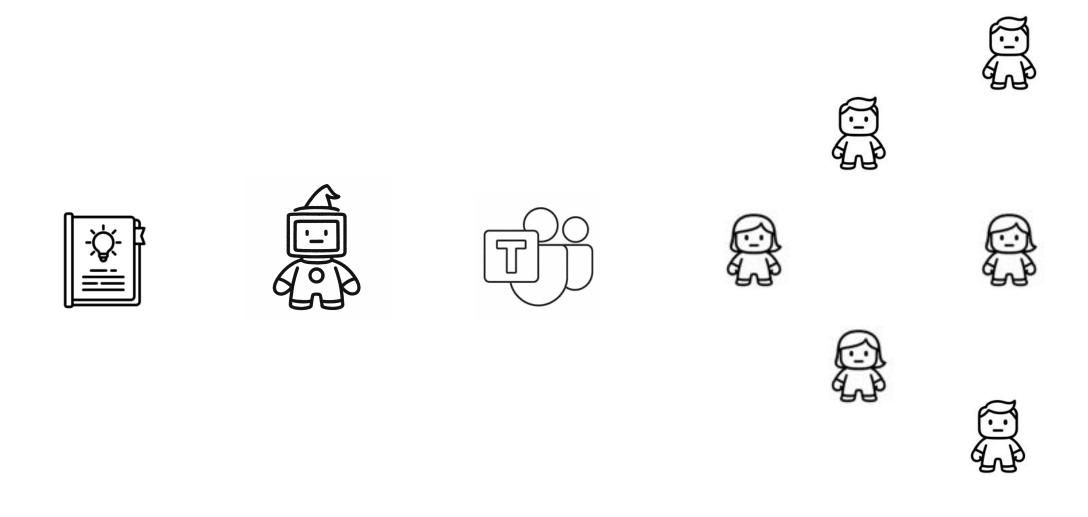














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Where is the client pitch deck?

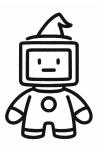
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How do I optimise this campaign?

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What insights do we have about the US?



Sounds easy right?

It wasn't easy

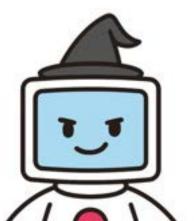
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Hello

Hello

hello



Tom Lanaway 13:35 hello

Tom Lanaway 14:12 hello

hello

hello

Tom Lanaway 14:35 hello

Tom Lanaway 15:15 hello

Merlin 15:15 Edited

Hello there! How can I help you today? Whether you're looking for insights, strategies, or just a bit of digital marketing chat, I'm here and ready to dive in. What's on your mind?

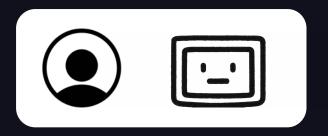


# But eventually we got him working

tom i love merlin
i think this is all so cool
even though AI still scares the shizzle out of me

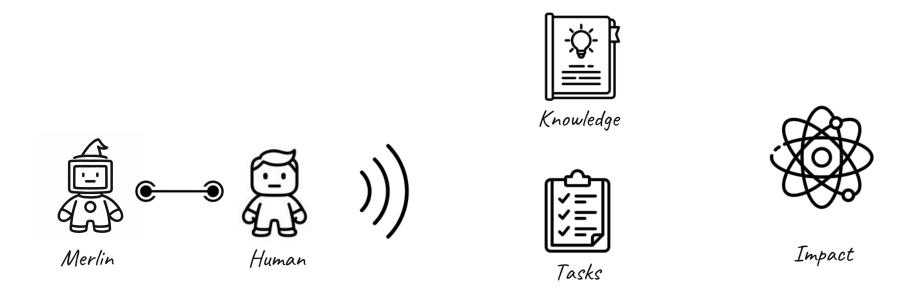
AI skeptic

# Merlin Mk1 The personal assistant

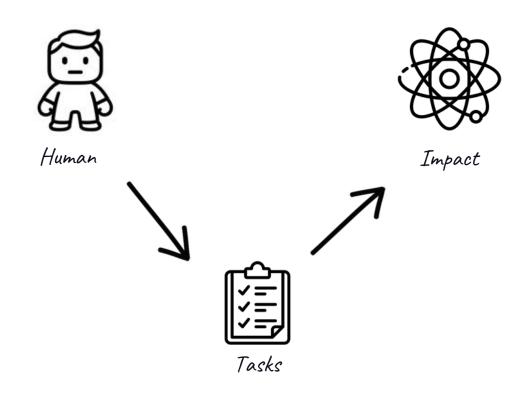


But we didn't stop there we had another challenge!

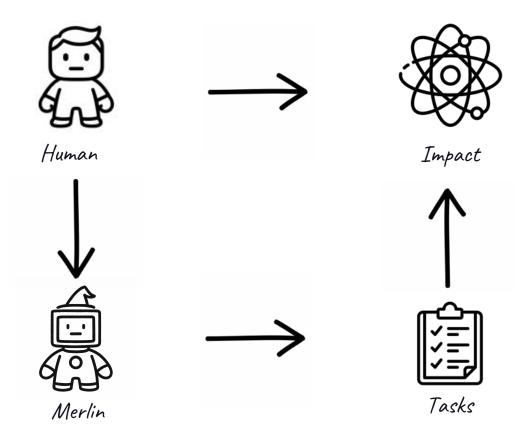
## Knowledge is only one piece of the puzzle



## Lots of little tasks are needed for making an impact



## Can Merlin do more?

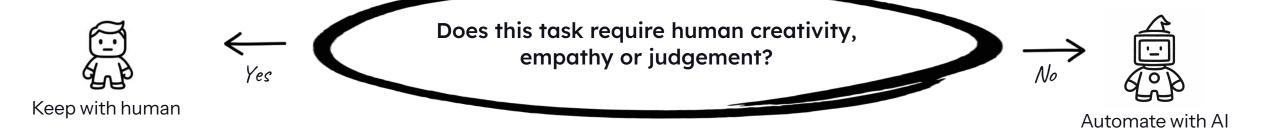


Our approach: The IDEAS framework

Identify Diagnose Enhance Automate Sustain

## **Identify**

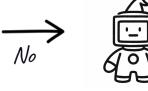
Which tasks do we give to AI?





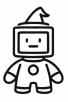


Would delegating to AI create confusion, mistrust, or decrease value in human connection (e.g. sensitive client comms)?



Automate with Al



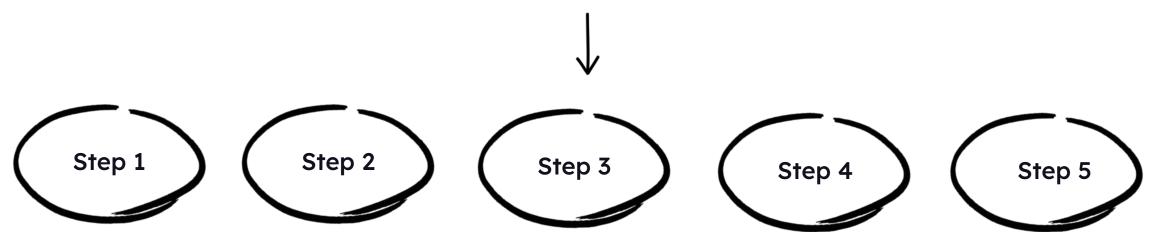


Automate with AI

## Diagnose

What's the issue?

## This step is the issue



## **Enhance**

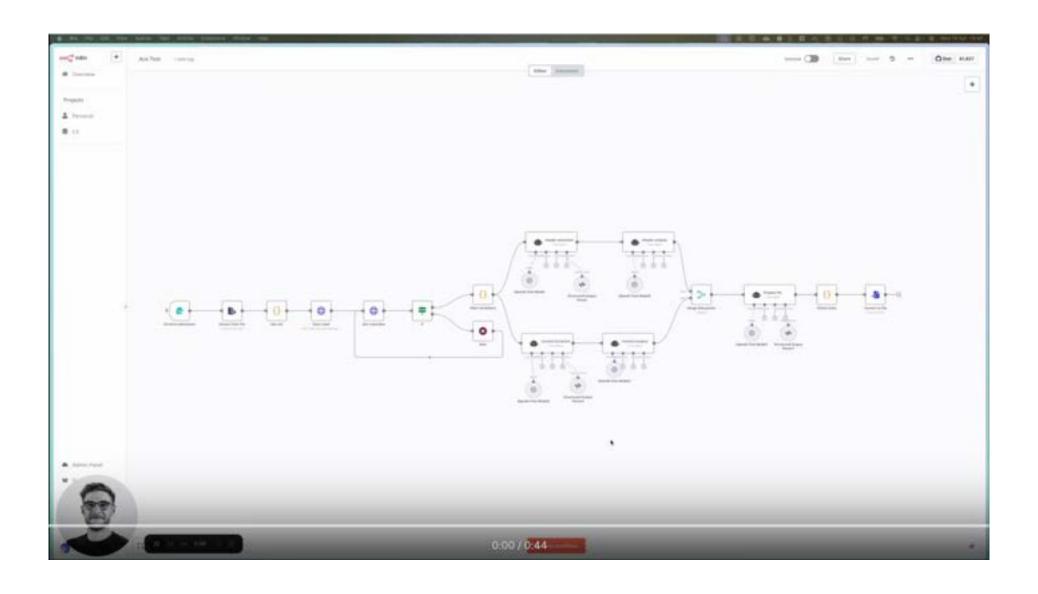
How do we improve it?

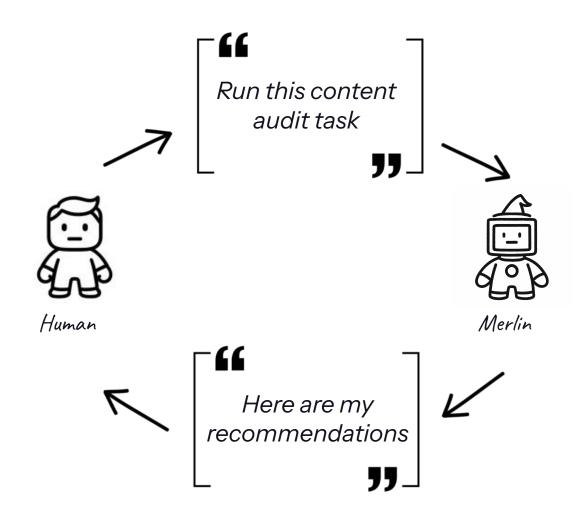
This step is the issue Step 1 Step 2 Step 3 Step 4 Step 5 Outsource to AI

## **Automate**

How we do it faster!

## Merlin's first agentic workflow





## Sustain

How we evaluate and maintain

#### Remember this slide?

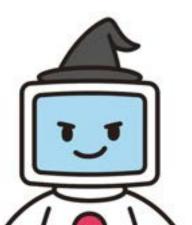
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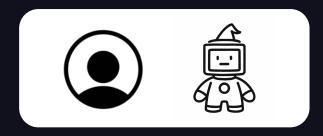
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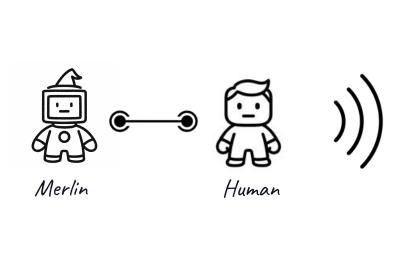
# Merlin Mk1 The personal assistant

# Merlin Mk2 The task agent





## How do we scale this?





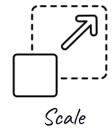
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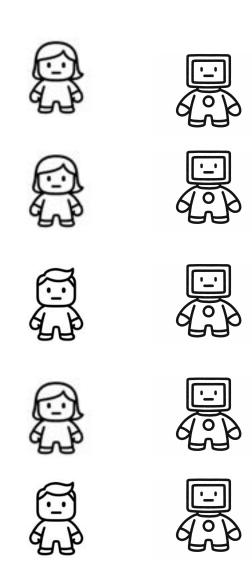


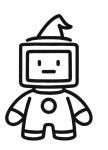
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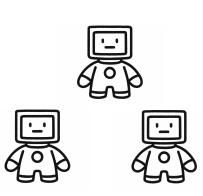


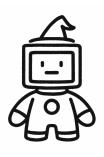
Impact











Merlin



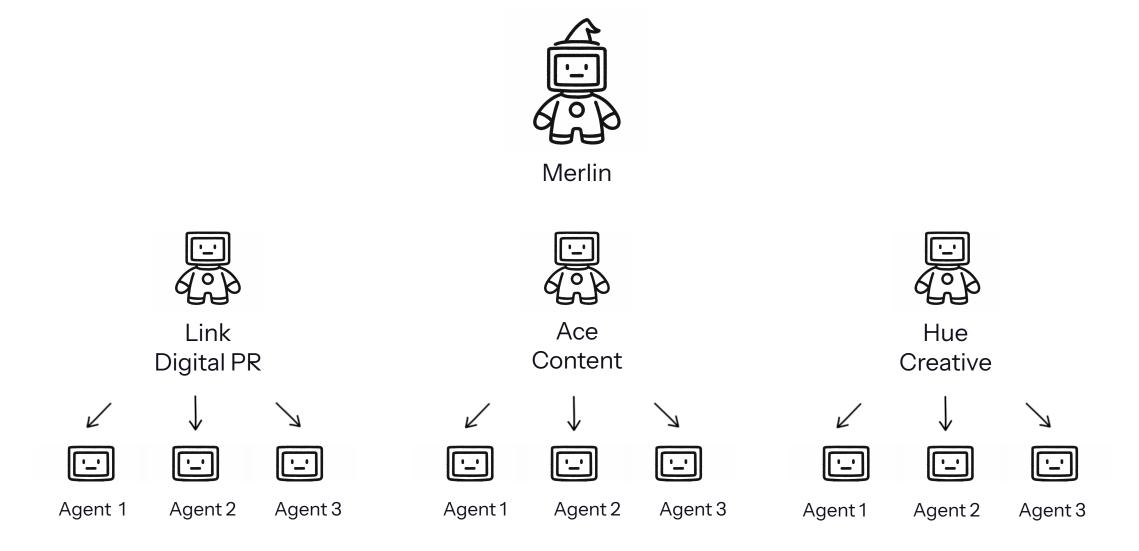
Link Digital PR



Ace Content



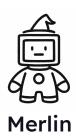
Hue Creative





Give me insights on beauty trends for a reactive PR campaign





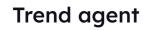




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## The evolution of Merlin

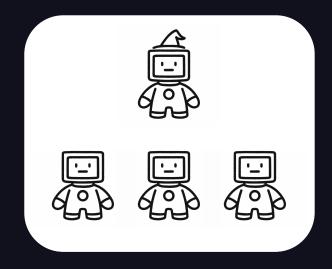
Merlin Mk1
The personal assistant

Merlin Mk2
The task agent

Merlin Mk3
The multi agent







What about the humans?

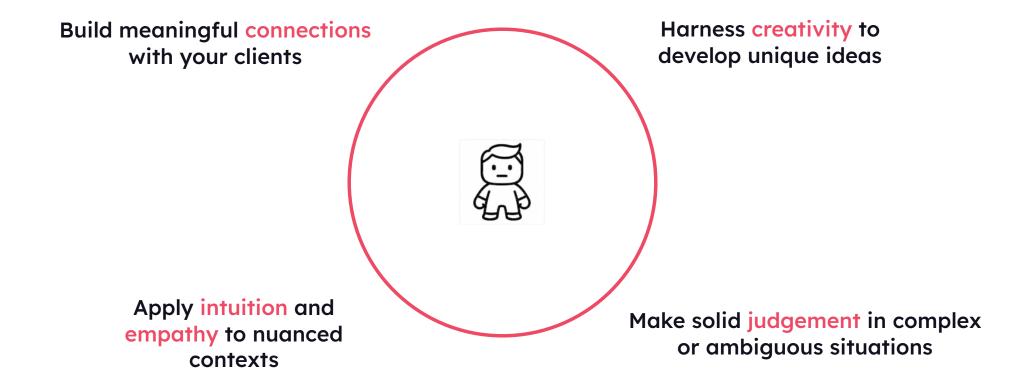


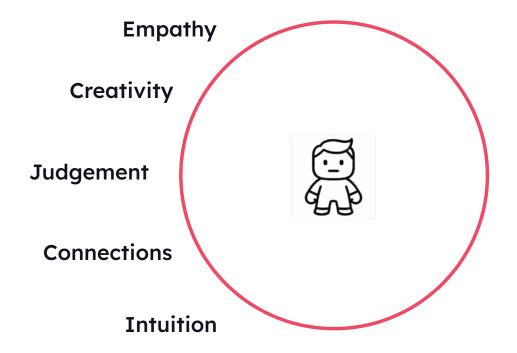
## AI is a tool. And tools don't have independent values - their values are human values

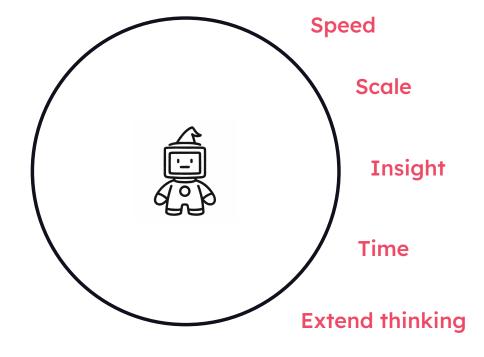


- Dr Fei-Fei Li, co-director of the Stanford Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence and previously Chief Science Office of Google Cloud.

What are human values?





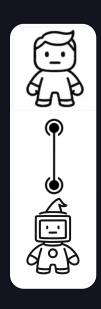


# Sets the strategic direction, fuels with emotional intelligence and judges the responses to ensure maximum impact



Delivers insights and executes inputs with speed, efficiency and scale

## The final evolution of Merlin



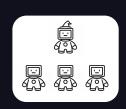
Merlin Mk4
The digital teammate

### What have we learnt?

1. Al is rapidly evolving









2. Al can scale human creativity and impact



3. Staying ahead means relentless experimentation and evaluation



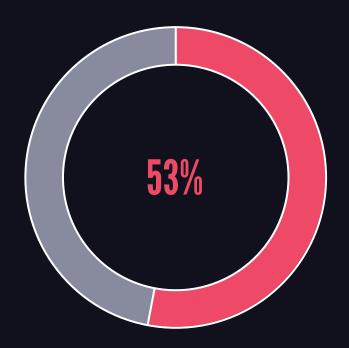
## Why does it matter?

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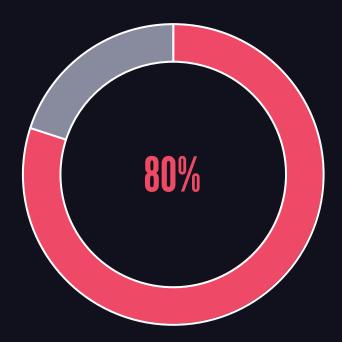
We need to scale our input and insights to meet demand



# Leaders demand more from teams than they can deliver

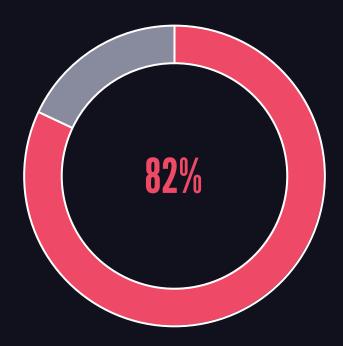


Leaders need higher productivity



Workers are already maxed out with existing demands

#### Leaders are turning to AI



Leaders expect to use Al to meet demand

#### Why does it matter?

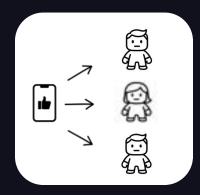
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Scaling inputs and insights to make impact

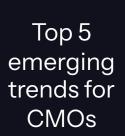
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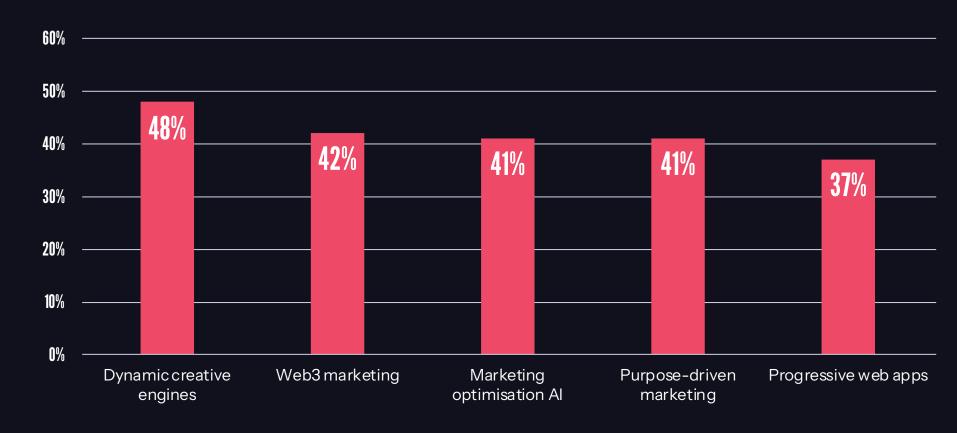
Dynamic creative





#### Dynamic creative is the leading trend for CMOs





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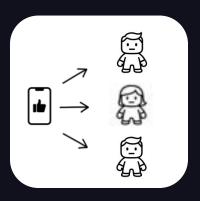
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Dynamic creative is crucial

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Brands need strategic partners to navigate the future





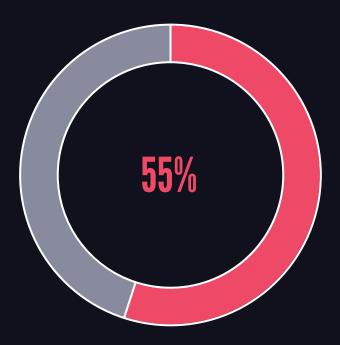




## Agencies aren't being replaced by AI. They're being expected to master it



### AI-enhanced agencies can do more

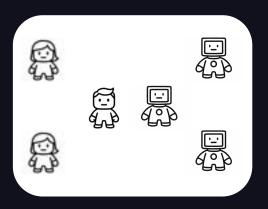


Frontier agencies can take on more work

#### **How Connective3 is evolving**

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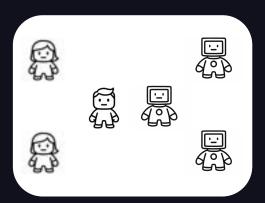
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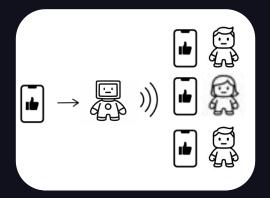
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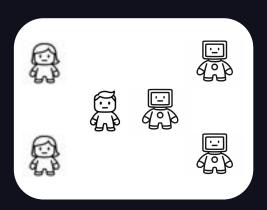
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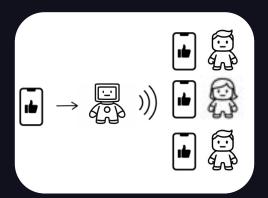
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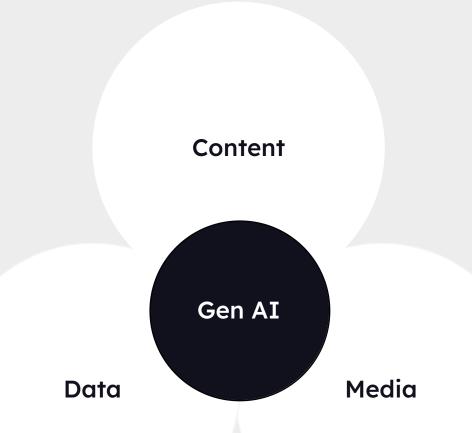
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Connecting channels though innovation



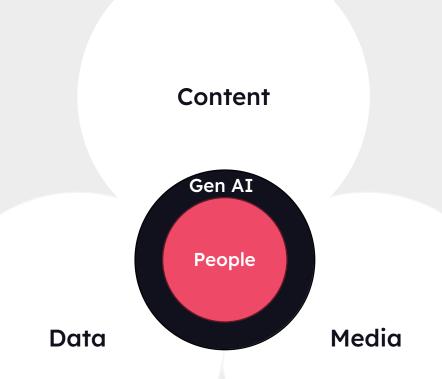
A lot of agencies will pivot to this approach





#### **CONNECTIVE3**

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## Thank you

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