

## 21<sup>st</sup> Century-Quintessence



Captain Picard: [Computer, Earl Grey Tea, Hot](#). Voilà, it appears! If it did not, everybody on the bridge would get their butts chewed. But, of course, that's science fiction!

My first vehicle was a beat up, old Pontiac. I struggled with it for a year or so. I finally abandoned it in [Trier, Germany](#) and took a train. It was around that time, 1963-4, that I was first introduced to computers. That one was a giant mainframe in the NATO Command Center at [Börfink, Germany](#).

Unavoidably Messing with it all my life, technology e.g. vehicles, TV, telephone, tools, medical, computer, internet etc., most of it works for a while when it's new and then begins to have problems. Some comes with problems, even when new or just all the time e.g. websites.

The little notice popped up and it occurred to me that this is pretty much the end all, be all comment on [ALL](#) human technology at this point. Short of maybe something like a hammer, I've never yet encountered a piece of it that wasn't, ultimately, a [piece of junk](#)!