None of us is as smart as all of us.

Using **Collective Intelligence** to build teams of problem solvers with your friend Brent Dixon



Dixon Strategic Labs http://dxn.is





HUBBLE ULTRA DEEP FIELD EXPERIMENT



Build the kind of teams who know how and where to look to solve insurmountable challenges by thinking bigger together.



TODAY'S ROADMAP



IS COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE?







Talented individuals do not make talented teams.



A team's collective intelligence is a much stronger predictor of the team's performance than the ability of individual members.

Source: Woolley, A. W., C. F. Chabris, A. Pentland, N. Hashmi, and T. W. Malone. 2010. Evidence for a collective intelligence factor in the performance of human groups. Science 330 (6004): 686–688.



A group's ability to work together and coordinate effectively is often more crucial than a talent alone.



COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE IS



people working together often with technology

to mobilize a wider range of info, ideas, & insights to address a challenge



Today we're going to talk about large scale and team-scale collective intelligence.



Everything that's true about large-scale CI is also true about team-scale CI.



As an idea, it isn't new.

19th Century

The Oxford English Dictionary





Early 20th Century

How much does the cow weigh?



Gandhi's loom design











Today Waze (acquired by Google)





The premise is that intelligence is distributed.



Technology can help tap into this collective intelligence by connecting people and ideas in new ways.

Collective intelligence has been used to solve a wide range of problems, from finding new treatments for diseases to mapping the spread of misinformation online to preventing fraud.





PREVENTING MONEY LAUNDERING WITH CI



Source: http://tookitaki.com

Why does it matter?

By bringing together diverse groups of people, data, and technology, we can create a collective intelligence that is greater than the individual parts in isolation.

data

people

becoming smarter together

tech

Have you ever wondered how we managed to put people on the moon...

...but as a society can't sort out how to care for our elderly?

Or how we can create machines that beat the world's best chess players...

...but are struggling to stem the tide of online hate?



But solving complex social, environmental, economic or political challenges is much harder. Credit Union

And you're working on all of these.





a and a state of the second state of the secon

.....

The most critical challenges facing us today are complex challenges.

Sahin, Oz, et al. "Developing a Preliminary Causal Loop Diagram for Understanding the Wicked Complexity of the COVID-19 Pandemic." Systems, vol. 8, no. 2, MDPI AG, 18 June 2020, p. 20. Crossref, doi:10.3390/systems8020020.



Solving complex problems requires new approaches to problem solving.



harnessing collective brainpower to generate multiple solutions much more quickly



facilitating space to think, **reflect and decide collectively** on a new course of action



the capacity to harness data for real-time adjustments



orchestrating knowledge that enables others to act too



To do this, we need to become skilled in mobilizing intelligence of all kinds.



How can collective intelligence help us?

0

how do we know if collective intelligence design is right for us?

Use the following flowchart to help you decide if collective intelligence is right for your challenge and if your team or organisation is ready to use it.





HOW CAN COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE HELP US?





Better understanding of problems

Hurricane Harvey Response



OG Otis Thorpe @OG_Otis_Thorpe

Elderly man with heart problems... currently having chest pains... 9406 Islamorada Ct 77044 #HarveySOS

02:43 AM - 29 Aug 2017

Reply ** Retweet * Favorite



\odot

Finding solutions to problems

WeFarm

"When farmers come together, they can share knowledge and experiences about farming and succeed together. Everyone brings different skill sets to the table."

Credit U

ion Leadership Sum



 \bigcirc

Finding solutions to problems

WeFarm









🧯 🚍

More informed and inclusive decisions

Status Money

Status.

Your Spending in All Categories - in the Last 6 Months -







Status Today

 Your Net Worth
 Your Peer Ranking
 Your National Ranking

 \$76,210
 Top 15%
 Top 13%

We document five effects of providing individuals with crowdsourced spending information about their peers (individuals with similar characteristics) through a FinTech app. First, users change their spending in the direction of their peers. Second, users' reaction is asymmetric those who significantly overspend reduce their spending by 9%, while those who significantly underspend increase their spending by only 1%. Third, users' distance from their peers' spending affects the reaction monotonically in both directions. Fourth, lower-income users react more than others and cut their spending in excess of 30%. The corresponding value for higherincome users is 5%. Fifth, discretionary spending drives the reaction in both directions and especially cash withdrawals, which are commonly used for incidental expenses and anonymous transactions. We argue Bayesian updating, peer pressure, or the fact that bad news looms larger than (equally-sized) good news cannot alone explain all these facts.

D'Acunto, Francesco, et al. "Crowdsourcing Financial Information to Change Spending Behavior." SSRN Electronic Journal, 2019, https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3339335.

Voribe spent more than your neers this month



More informed and inclusive decisions

Greece Communitere







More informed and inclusive decisions

Greece Communitere





Learning and sharing what works

Patients Like Me





What are the ingredients for collective intelligence to develop?





Source: Mckercher, Kelly Ann. Beyond Sticky Notes: Co-Design For Real. Thorpe-Bowker, 2020.

PRINCIPLES OF COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE



increase the diversity of the people you involve and the opinions you listen to 1 enable people to be stakeholdercontribute views and centered: think data 2 4 ideas independently empowerment, not data extraction and freely 3 bring together different types of data to unlock fresh insights

Credit: Nesta Center for Collective Intelligence Design



increase the diversity of the people you involve and the opinions you listen to







bring together different types of data to unlock fresh insights



be stakeholder-centered: think data empowerment, not data extraction

FOR COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE



COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE DESIGN CANVAS

GATHER DATA, INFORMATION, IDEAS What data/information/ideas do we need to find, and how will we do it?

What data/information/ ideas do we need to find, and how will we do it?

Who do we need to act, and what do they need to do? DEFINE CHALLENGE What is our issue and our purpose for using collective intelligence?

What is our issue and our purpose for using collective intelligence? MOBILISE PEOPLE Who might be able to help, and how can we best engage them?

> Who might be able to help, and how can we best engage them?

How will we bring together people and/ or data, and make sense of the results?

CREATE CHANGE Who do we need to act, and what do they need to do this? CONNECT & INTERPRET How will we bring together people and/or data, and make sense of the results?

T ;?

Credit: Nesta Center for Collective Intelligence Design

E

В

on/ideas

and how



DEFINE CHALLENGE What is our issue and our purpose for using collective intelligence?

What is our issue and our purpose for using collective intelligence? Who m

help, a

best e

act, need How w togeth data, the re on/ideas

and how

A

DEFINE CHALLENGE What is our issue and our purpose for using collective intelligence?

1. What is the issue we want to understand?

2. Who does the issue affect?

3. What is the change we want to bring about?

4. What is our timeframe for action?

5. What are our constraints?

Who m

help, a

best e

How w togeth data, the re

act, need



GATHER DATA, INFORMATION, IDEAS

What data/information/ideas do we need to find, and how will we do it?

What data/information/ ideas do we need to find, and how will we do it?

Wha

What

purpo



GATHER DATA, INFORMATION, IDEAS

What data/information/ideas do we need to find, and how will we do it?

- 6. What do we specifically need to know/find?
- 7. What data might help us understand our problem?
- 8. How will we collect this data?
- 9. Are there any ethical issues with collecting or using this data?

Wha

What

purpo

STAKEHOLDER GENERATED (e.g. WeFarm)

OFFICIAL DATA (e.g. NCUA data, CFPB's. FWB dataset), census data)

SENSOR DATA

(e.g. Walkmore..wearables)

DATA SOURCES

SATELLITE DATA

(e.g. Harvesting.co)

SOCIAL MEDIA DATA

(e.g. Harvey Rescue)

ETHNOGRAPHIC DATA

(e.g. Communitere)

WEB-SCRAPED DATA

(e.g. Humanitarian Dashboard)

CROWDSOURCING

(e.g. WeFarm)

MICROSURVEY

(e.g. Qualtrics)



DATA GATHERING

CHALLENGE PRIZE

(e.g. X-Prize)

DATA COLLABORATIVE

(e.g. Tookitaki)

(e.g. Foldit)

CROWDMAPPING

(e.g. Harvey Rescue)

GAMIFICATION



MOBILISE PEOPLE

Who might be able to help, and how can we best engage them?

Who might be able to help, and how can we best engage them?

for using

nd our llective

С

MOBILISE PEOPLE

Who might be able to help, and how can we best engage them?

10. Who could help us understand our problem?

11. What do we want them to do?

12. How will we reach those people?

13. What might motivate them to be involved?

for using

nd our llective nd our ollective

> How will we bring together people and/or data, and make sense of the results?

CONNECT & INTERPRET How will we bring together people and/or data, and make sense of the results?



nd our ollective

14. How will people interact and share information?15. How will we ensure everyone gets a chance to contribute?

16. How will we bring together our data (store/ clean/process)?

17. How will we make sense of the data we' ve collected?

18. What biases might there be in our data?

CONNECT & INTERPRET How will we bring together people and/or data, and make sense of the results?



Who do we need to act, and what do they need to do?

What is purpose intellige



CREATE CHANGE

Who do we need to act, and what do they need to do this?

19. Who do we need to act on the collective intelligence, and what do we want them to do?20. What do they need to see or know in order to do this?

21. How will we open up this data/ information to stakeholders?

22. How will we feedback to participants?

23. How will we know if we' re on track and creating change?

What i purpose intellige



CREATE CHANGE

Who do we need to act, and what do they need to do this?

wefarm



COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE DESIGN CANVAS

Wwefarm



Credit: Nesta Center for Collective Intelligence Design



THANK YOU.



Brent Dixon brent@dxn.is www.dxn.is

