

Stellar Metamorphosis: True Lies, Learning to See How Pervasive Deception can Be in Astronomy

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Abstract: In terms of deception and/or misperception in astronomy, geology and astrophysics, it is clear that uneducated, unsophisticated, unskilled and unequipped people can be immune. Not only can they be immune, but they can outclass the people who claim to be sophisticated, educated and equipped in terms of scientific ability. This immunity and superiority is explained with an example from WW2 with the English deception planners juxtaposed to the Japanese Intelligence community.

The following is taken from a book on military counter-deception.

"The rather sophisticated British deceptions that worked so well against the German Intelligence services throughout WWII did not do nearly as well against the Japanese services. Why? We know it wasn't because the British deceptionists in India were significantly less competent than those in London or Cairo—experienced personal at all levels had moved to India. The(sic) problem was with the Japanese.

We know that Japanese Army commanders generally held their Intelligence Service in very low regard. Indeed, it seems that Japanese Army Intelligence was simply too unsophisticated, too unskilled and unequipped to appropriately misperceive certain types of deception materials that the British were attempting to communicate.

One way to solve this problem might seem counterintuitive. You want the intended victim of your deceptions to be, in some ways, *almost as skilled at analysis as you are*. So, simply teach your enemy's intel analysts to do a better job. Or see to it that they receive certain types of specialized communication equipment or are given access to particular communication channels—ones, of course, that you can control or manipulate."

-Whaley, "True Lies: Teaching Foes to Become Half Smart"

Now, for those individuals who are not aware of the main root deception that is being spread in astronomy and astrophysical academia since Ancient Greek times, it is the belief that stars and planets are mutually exclusive. What this means is that all the intel gathered using expensive telescopes and techniques is going to be forced to branch from this main root deception (termed assumption by the

academics). Deception branching in this case is synonymous to paradigm building. Therefore, any new information will be altered and misperceived to branch from the main root deception, indefinitely. With the knowledge that stellar evolution is actually planet formation, some parallels can be drawn with the author's experience and the Japanese vs. British intel communities. In short, the claimed unsophisticated researcher (myself) is superior to those who prefer deception branching. Being simple, unsophisticated, unequipped and unskilled in effect can sometimes counterintuitively be more sophisticated, equipped and skilled.

For this example, the British high deception planners take the place of the academics who are highly trained, specialized and sophisticated. They control the channels of information flowing via journals and the peer review process. They have the big names and political connections with media giants, as well as are clearly the most equipped by far, with hundreds of billions of dollars in university and government grants. This being said, to keep the deception going that planets and stars are mutually exclusive, all they need to do is train people, train them to be half-smart. It is similar to George Carlin's quote:

"Governments don't want a population capable of critical thinking, they want obedient workers, people just smart enough to run the machines and just dumb enough to passively accept their situation."

-George Carlin (1937-2008)

Do not train your students to question assumptions of the parent organization, and control the mediums with which they can communicate with each other. As well, even keep the system designed to only give feedback for information that is already considered correct, and provide no path for dissenting views.

I am not sophisticated and institutionalized by years of astronomical(-ly wrong) beliefs, nor do I have billions of dollars of grant monies to send up telescopes and/or CCD's on rockets. I do not have any political connections or papers published in a peer reviewed journal, nor have I ever applied for such. Fact is, it is intuitive to me to avoid using the channels that are prescribed, for the same reason the Japanese avoided using the British modes of communication. In the above example, you want your enemy to use the methods and communication channels you prescribe them. If they work outside of those channels then the information goes unmolested and unaltered, and most importantly uncontrolled. Academics cannot allow for wild, uncontrolled researchers to uproot cherished beliefs, it makes a mess of their credibility game. Academics need other academics to use prescribed modes of communication so that they can be controlled and order kept. You cannot have some nobody who works outside of all Universities and government systems outclass the PhD's and pundits. It makes them look bad.

They absolutely must control the people who can do the most damage to them, and they need to control their enemies, other academics! If you want to control your enemy, train them to use the channels you prescribe so they can be monitored. The same goes with academic journals. The journals are there to monitor the flow of information and stamp out ideas that can arise as threats to the status quo. The veil of power, politics and rhetoric cannot afford to be lifted. What you also need to do is make faceless entities that answer to no one and have no skin in the game to make the required censoring happen. Blind peer reviewing is the Orwellian dream. Control what information is on the channels so whatever type of deception you accept, your enemy (other academics) accepts as well. If they ignore the channels of deception that you have been training them to accept, then the likely-hood of accepting such deception vanishes.

An unsophisticated (claimed) individual therefore can completely avoid the mess, by using uncontrolled channels, such as youtube and vixra in my case. All I have to do is ignore the deception planners as the Japanese did. Sure, being unequipped and unskilled is looked at by academics as not having papers published in academic journals that are "respectable", but that would be like the Japanese using the channels the British Intel wanted them to use. The fact that I am unsophisticated and unskilled is my greatest strength. I can easily outclass them now because I do not operate by their rules, thus have a much lower probability of being largely affected by their deceptions. I also have the capacity to determine which information is valid and useful, as I don't have to make the information conform to their paradigm (their root deception).