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Subject: Re: When did 80's become 'old'?

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When I very young, like 2-5, I watched MTV all day most of the time. I am now 25, which places a lot of the music I listened to in the late 80's. MTV eventually became crap, but I still listened to the adult contemporary station until I was about 1996. So that is where my taste in Pop music ended. After that it became all awful Hip Hop and mediocre, poorly written and produced pop with a very short shelf life. I started listening to the Rock station and eventually started listening to more underground European metal that had the Pop hooks from my youth to go with the technically minded metal of my teen years.

But yeah, I think most 80's albums still sound fresh, interesting and exciting. I have a cache of about 4500 pop songs on the hard drive with virtually everything I loved from yesteryear and still listen to this stuff all the time.

I have a lot of really old stuff mixed in with that from the 60's (most of this stuff aged very poorly and has terrible sound) and early 70's (most of this stuff is pretty dull sounding) which is what I would consider "old." Some of it is still great, but most of it is antiquated.

The 80's was the time when all those kids that grew up listening to the Beatles and Motown grew up and wrote their own versions of pop perfection in under four minutes. It was a stroke of luck that producers of the day were at their height of technical ability and the instruments being used at the time gave such a full and lush sound. The 80's were the best time for pop music, period. I wish I could have lived through it, but who knows, I might have hated the whole thing if I were an age that I would have "known better"

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