
Subject: Technology backlash? (long & rambling)
Posted by [MWG](#) on Mon, 05 Dec 2005 14:04:01 GMT
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I'm sure it's just my way of justifying my reactionary attitude concerning change. I don't seem to be interested in the latest Ipod gadgets or most of the later years "improvements" like monster cables etc. So I finally realized that it's not that the products are worthless necessarily; it's just that I don't like change. I hate to admit it but I'm becoming my Father's Son. I realize that smaller speakers need stands to distribute "optimum" sound. I still look at them and think "real speakers don't need stands" to sound good. The idea of buying a piece of stereo gear and throwing it away in a couple of years goes against the grain also. I still have most of the stuff I bought over 30 years ago. I'm not an audiophile so I must be some sort of audiocurmudgeon I guess. My concession to the digital world has been a Sony CDP 111ES I bought for 15.00 and a Denon DVM 3700 I got pretty cheap also. I like the convenience of the CD but a lot of them sound pretty horrid. I bought the Eagles new DVD as I loved the concert on TV. What a disappointment. The sound quality is awful to my ears. I wish there was a way to tell how well the mastering was done before buying. I guess what I'm wondering is my old gear that good or is it just my dislike of change.

Subject: Re: Technology backlash? (long & rambling)
Posted by [Damir](#) on Mon, 05 Dec 2005 14:36:38 GMT
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See photos from the expo - just `40 -`50s bald freaks, converted to Hi-Fi in`70s - still listening to their Eagles...

Subject: Re: Technology backlash? (long & rambling)
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Mon, 05 Dec 2005 15:51:07 GMT
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40's and 50's bald freaks?? I resemble that remark!! It's not the ipods or PC's or CD's; it's the implementation and the control of software. When we were young you turned on the radio and heard good music and lots of it all different and varied. The FM band had phenomenal specs and sounded great. If you wanted to hear it at your leisure you bought a cassette or 8 track recorder and took it off the radio or from your turntable. Now the corporate cowboys control all the music/radio stations/hardware/code etc. etc. So you hear what a corporate guy wants you to hear on a format they think makes the most money. It's all so regimented and confusing that it isn't even worth it anymore. It's boring and obnoxious to hear the same repetitive music/DJ's/Formats/etc, and all done on lousy algorithms. It stifles creativity and kills participation by the people. Then they tell you well; that's free enterprise and what the heck, the people don't know the difference anyway. Since when does the concept of rigid control of

resources equate to freedom? Freedom for the big companies to dictate what we hear and on what format at what time of day maybe. No freedom for us; that's for sure.

Subject: Re: Technology backlash? (long & rambling)
Posted by [Bill Martinelli](#) on Mon, 05 Dec 2005 18:51:17 GMT
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But it's better to look good, than to feel good. And you look marvelous

Subject: Re: Technology backlash? (long & rambling)
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Tue, 06 Dec 2005 12:18:01 GMT
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Now that you mention it; I am pretty darn handsome ain't I? Do you think that's why Brad Pitt never invites me over for parties; he's nervous having me around his women?

Subject: Re: Technology backlash? (long & rambling)
Posted by [colinhester](#) on Tue, 06 Dec 2005 12:45:25 GMT
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May God help you if you need to buy a new TV.....Colin

Subject: Re: Technology backlash? (long & rambling)
Posted by [MWG](#) on Tue, 06 Dec 2005 13:38:01 GMT
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Since I don't watch TV that's not much of a problem. I just let my wife pick it out since it's her relaxation and not mine. I just scurry out to the shop and turn on the music.
