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# WinXP SP1 = today's Society: a wonky\* Metaphor

(\* schief, schwach, wackelig)

our analogy:

**Microsohoft**  $\hat{=}$  **mankind**

(point of view)

**2002**  $\hat{=}$  **2007**

(point in time at which we have something that  
partly works but has its shortcomings)

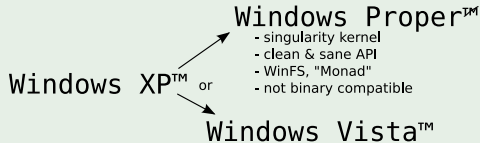
**Windows XP SP1**  $\hat{=}$  **democracy & market economy**

(our product)



# Possible “M\$-Ex-Future” Scenarios.. and the outcome.

M\$'s options in 2002:



their decision:

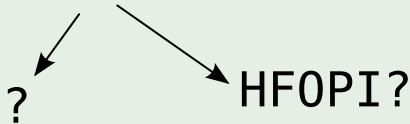
After being postponed several times, Microsoft released Windows™ Vista™ to the wild on January 30th 2007, with several promised features cut because “some 10,000 Microsoft Corp. workers” (according to BusinessWeek) could not get them to work. . . . Since then, many users are complaining about its inefficient use of resources, lack of flexibility and annoying usability issues.



# The Decision to be made..

Our options as a civilization in 2008:

current political system  
(democracy + free market economy)



our decision:

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# good reasons to start from scratch:

## freedom to design:

- many of the constraints for change gone (except laws of nature.. & murphy)
- chance for more target-directed topology (efficiency =  $\frac{\text{output}}{\text{resources needed}}$ )
- learn from experience: avoid making the same silly mistakes
- if you deprecate the craft you don't have to fix old bugs



- Thank you for listening!
- poll about how YOU look at the future

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