

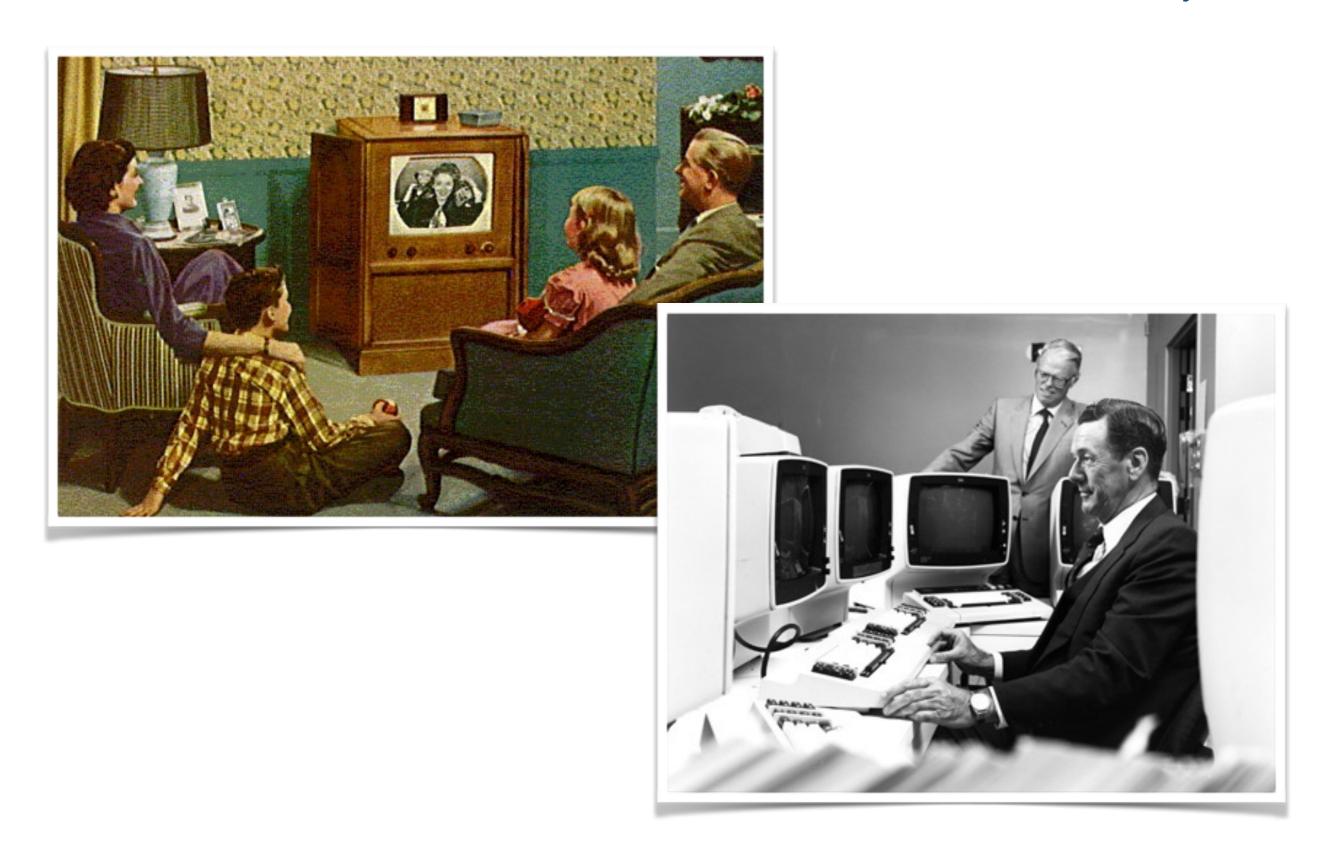
# Are you sitting comfortably?

I'm not a healthcare professional...

.....but I have spent a lot of the last 20 years sitting down....

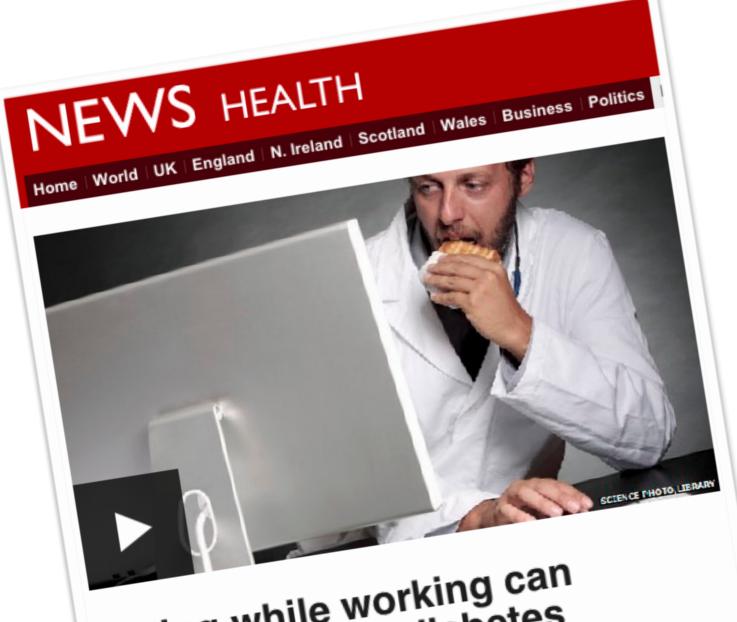
If we're lucky,
we're all going to
keep getting older.

#### Since the 1970's - Screen time has increased dramatically



Compared with our parents or grandparents, we are spending increasing amounts of time in environments that not only limit physical activity but require prolonged sitting—at work, at home, and in our cars and communities.





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# Sitting while working can increase risk of diabetes

7 May 2014 Last updated at 07:56 BST Whether it's at home, in the office or in the car, there's a chance sitting

down is a big part of your day...but should it be?

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## 'Being sedentary was about as much of a risk to physical health as not doing enough exercise'

# A sedentary lifestyle and lack of physical activity can contribute to or be a risk factor for:

Anxiety

Cardiovascular disease

Mortality

Deep vein thrombosis

Depression

Diabetes

Colon cancer

High blood pressure

Obesity

Osteoporosis

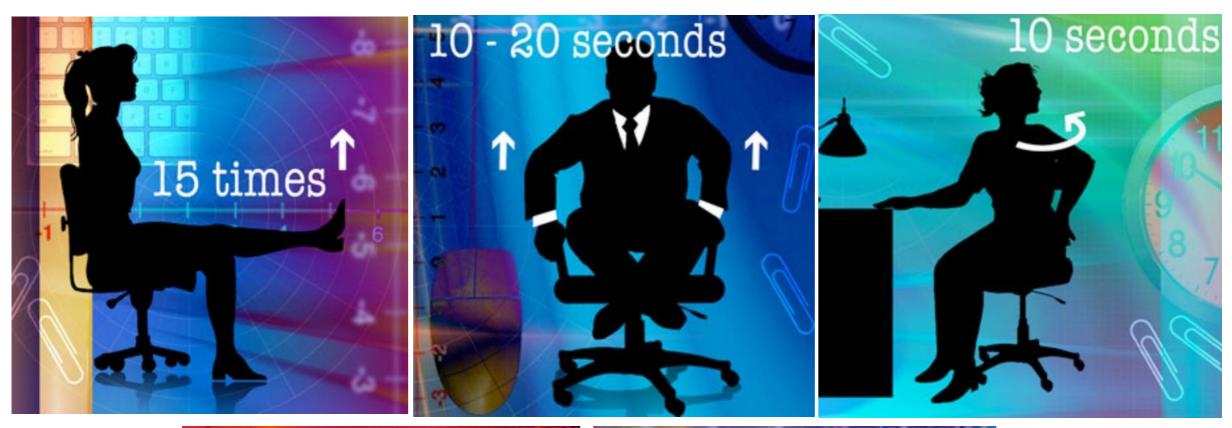
Lipid disorders

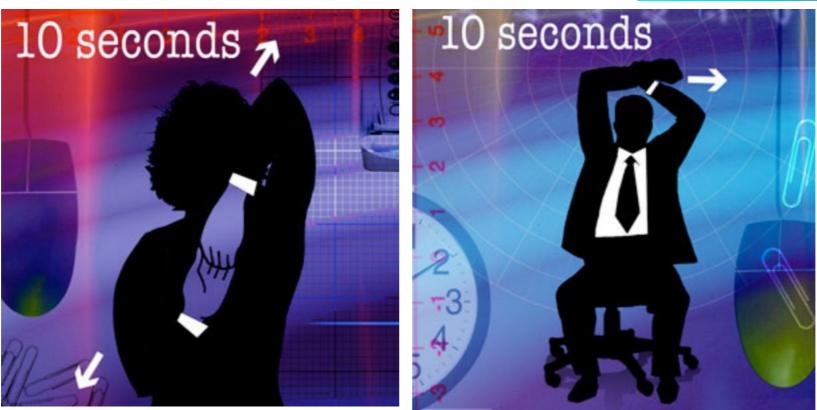
Kidney stones

Spinal disc herniation (Low back pain)

So, what can we do about it?

#### Desk Exercises





http://www.forbes.com/pictures/efkk45efdje/best-exercises-to-do-at-your-desk-2/



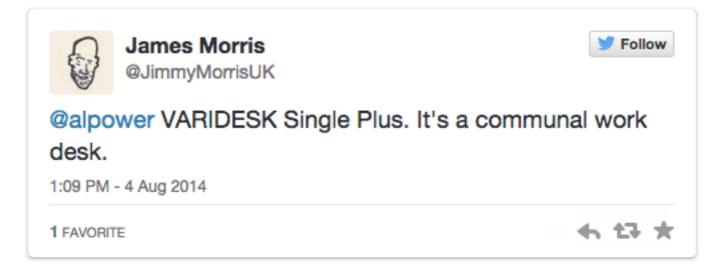
#### Gentle pedalling while:

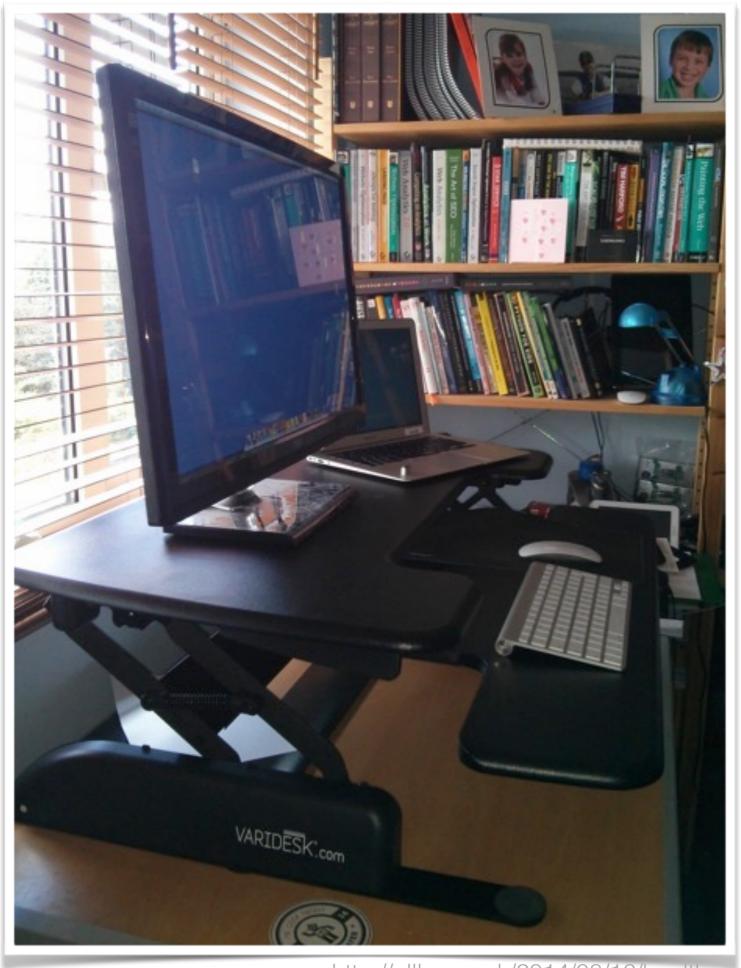
Watching Netflix Gaming on PS3 Reading

Email - Inbox shovelling Long conference calls\*

500 miles last year







#### Sit-standing desk

Build up

Anti-fatigue mat

4-5 hours a day

Modes of thought

http://allbs.co.uk/2014/08/16/healthy-working-standing-desk/





#### Form Habits

 $\sim 66 \text{ days}$ 

3 stages:
The Honeymoon
The Fight Thru
Second Nature

# Keep a log

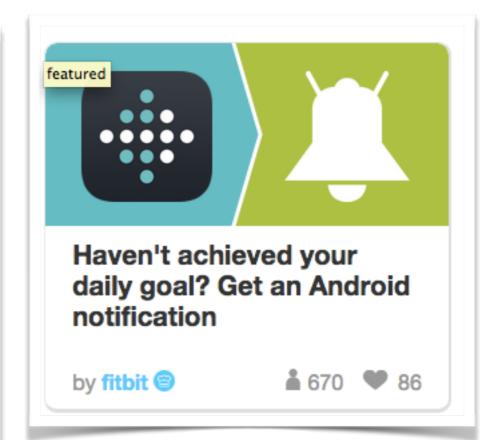
"you can't really manage what you don't measure"

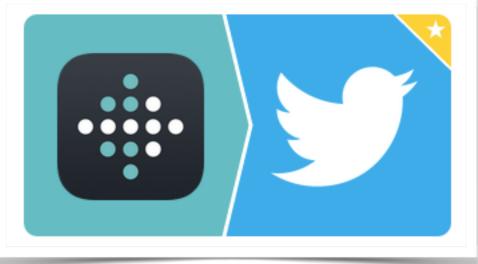
### The Quantified Self



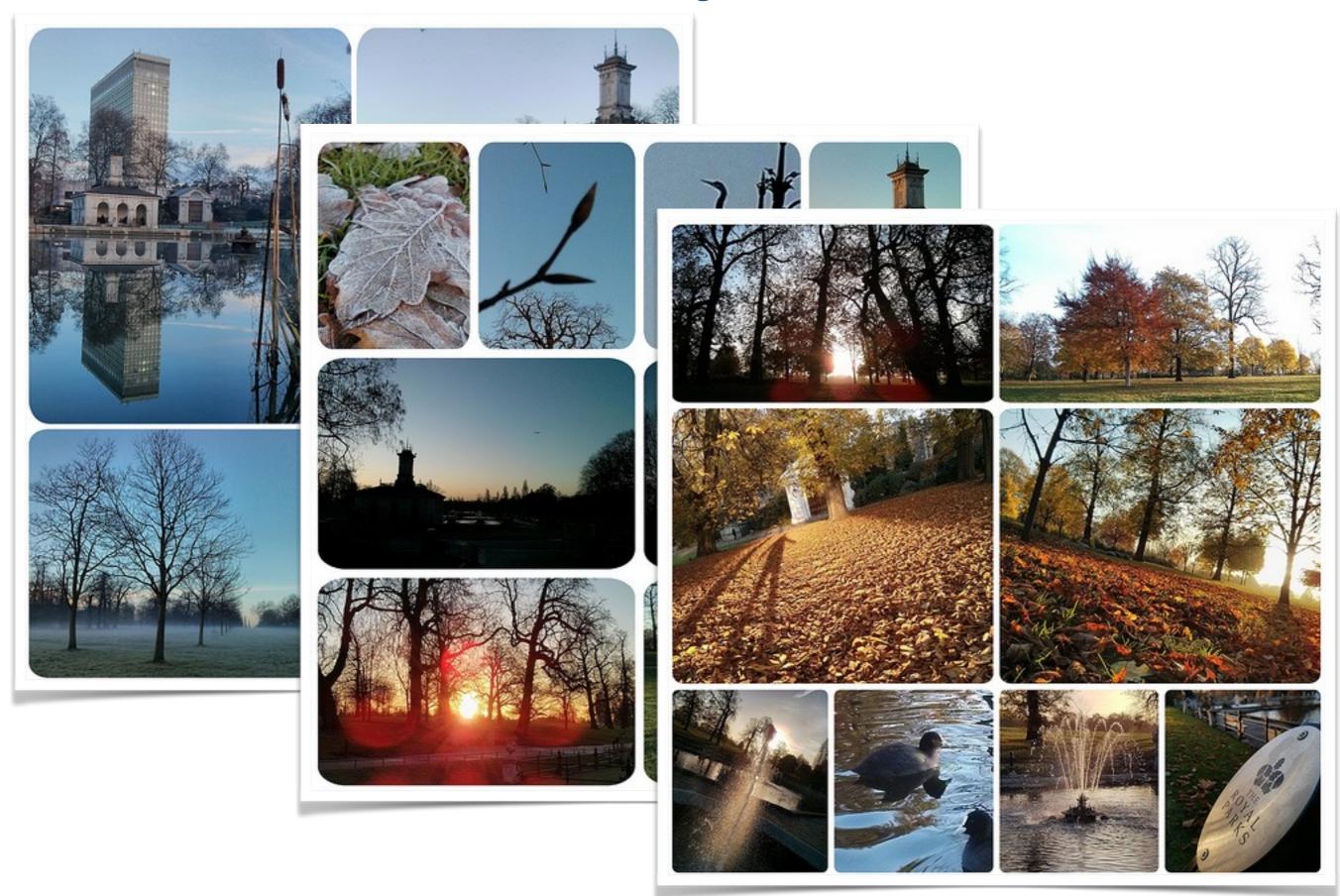
#### Data, APIs, IFTTT







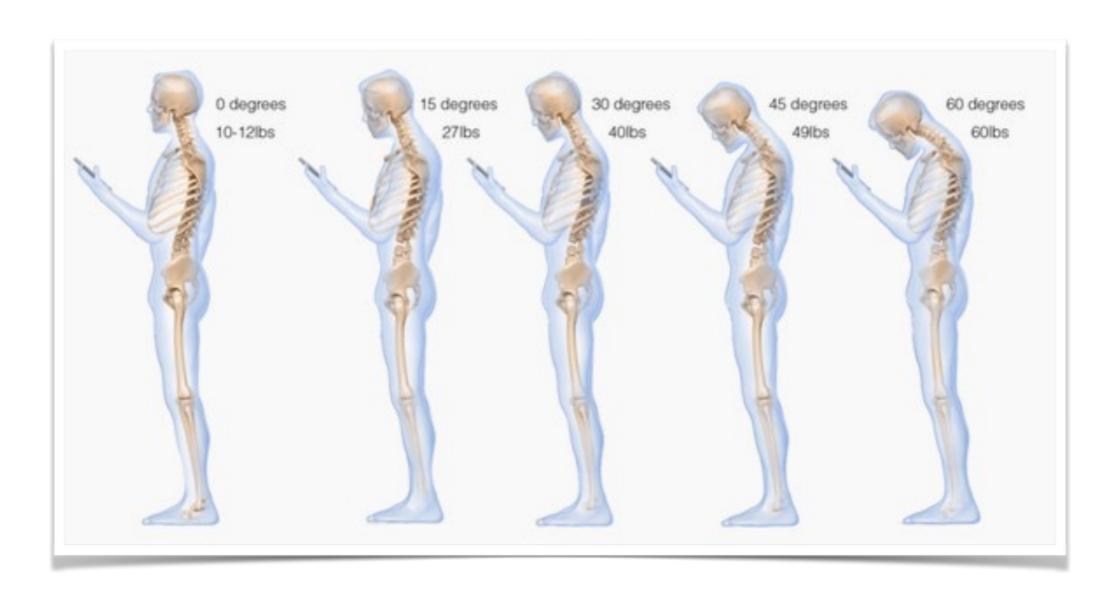
## Walk a longer route



#### What you can start doing tomorrow:

- standing up for at least few minutes every hour
- do some gentle stretching exercises at your desk
- take the stairs
- walk a longer route

#### One More Thing: "Text Neck"



60lb = 27kg

# "As the head tilts forward the forces seen by the neck surges..."

http://qz.com/299079/what-texting-does-to-the-spine/
http://edition.cnn.com/2012/09/20/health/mobile-society-neck-pain/

Thank you...

and be careful out there;)

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