



## 'Two Years Out

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First, thanks to so many of you for the congratulations and best wishes on my 2-year anniversary of retiring from IBM. Many have expressed the hope that all is going well. I am pleased to report these have been two of my most productive years ever.

A major highlight is that I have am becoming an entrepreneur. Because of strong encouragement from several folks, especially [Israel Gat](#), and [Michael Barthomeusz](#), I, along with [John Heintz](#), have formed [Aptage](#). Aptage is in the course of providing machine-learning based web services for development forecasting and management. We already have some free tools for evaluation and feedback. If you are interested, let me know.

No one is more surprised than I to find my speaking to the Undiagnosed Disease Conference ([UnDx](#)). My role was to give a mathematical overview of the problem, "Why is precision is hard and what can be done about it?" This community is full of learned, passionate folks who truly want to make a difference. I will be continuing to work within the community.

On a related note, I am very privileged to be speaking next week at the [Future in Review \(FiRe\) Conference](#). Check it out, you'll be impressed. Someone described it as a conference with very rich or very smart people. I know several of the participants and they are both. I will be speaking on a practical understanding of the inherent uncertainty in system flows. I will post the talks.

Finally, I feel truly blessed by the support and interest of my colleagues and friends I have developed over the years. Some of us are already working together again. This is what it is all about: Doing interesting work with great people.



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