The Stock Market Just Achieved Singularity...

This New Era Will Touch Every Part of Your Life – and Bring You 10x Gains
Dear Strategic Tech Investor Reader

The birth of the “Singularity Era” will go down in history as a milestone in stock market history.

However you prefer to label it – and I’ll explain my own label in just a bit – the fact is that the global economy experienced a massive transformation on that day.

And most investors didn’t even notice.

But I’m not like most investors – or stock analysts. I’ve spent more than 30 years in Silicon Valley – not on Wall Street – talking with CEOs, advising startups, hobnobbing with researchers and marketers, and researching the markets.

So I noticed almost immediately why Aug. 1, 2016, was so special.

When the trading day concluded that Monday afternoon, Apple Inc. (Nasdaq: AAPL), Amazon.com Inc. (Nasdaq: AMZN), Alphabet Inc. (Nasdaq: GOOGL), and Microsoft Corp. (Nasdaq: MSFT) – all high-tech companies – were the four most valuable companies in the Standard & Poor’s 500 Index.

That had never happened before.

And it serves as tangible proof of an assertion I’ve been making for some time: In today’s global market – where competitive pressures are forcing corporations to relentlessly pursue every efficiency and advantage possible – every company is a tech company.

In short, the “Singularity Era” has finally arrived – bringing with it the greatest moneymaking opportunity we’ll see in our lifetimes...

**Data Has Become the “Coin of the Realm”**

Back in 1957, no pure tech firm occupied the S&P 500’s Top 10 – not even IBM Corp. (NYSE: IBM).

In 1960, just three years later, IBM ranked sixth – with AT&T Inc. (NYSE: T), General Motors Co. (NYSE: GM), E.I. du Pont De Nemours and Co. (NYSE: DD), Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey (Esso), and General Electric Co. (NYSE: GE) occupying the Top Five spots.

Back then – more than two generations ago – the global economy clearly ran on oil, coal, and steel.
Now it runs on data.

Digital data.

In those halcyon days, manufacturing was the wealth creator. And technology was an “augmenter” – a facilitator that would help you churn out a few more tons of steel or turn out a few more autos.

These days, as the Aug. 1, 2016, market-cap rankings underscore, technology enjoys a front-and-center identity all its own. Indeed, we’re now seeing a kind of "Convergence Economy" where multiple technology trends have intersected to create wholly new – and extremely powerful – pools of innovation.

Those innovations have given tech firms like Apple and Google and Microsoft standalone status. And the benefits of these innovations have permeated every geographic market, every economic sector, every business, and every company on the planet. It’s just a matter of degree.

What that means, of course, is that we’ve entered a new era, an era in which every company on Earth has “become one” with technology – has achieved “singularity.”

And that’s why we’ve anointed this as the “Singularity Era.”

**Why “The Singularity” Is Here**

Ray Kurzweil, the mind behind the “singularity” concept, has pushed the boundaries of innovation for more than five decades. As a teenager, he created a groundbreaking computer program that could play classical music and netted him an appearance on the TV game show *I’ve Got a Secret*.

He hasn’t stopped thinking and innovating since then. Among others gadgets, he invented omni-font optical character recognition, flat-bed scanners, text-to-speech programs, and artificial intelligence for trading the markets.

Now a director of engineering at Google, Kurzweil may be best known for his prediction that in the near future man and machine will become intertwined in an event he calls “The Singularity.”

Kurzweil published the book *The Singularity Is Near* in 2005. In it, he imagined a science fiction-like world in which humans and computers fuse. As technology accelerates at an exponential rate, he pointed out, progress would eventually
become virtually instantaneous—a singularity. Further, he predicted that computers would merge with genomics, nanotechnology, and robotics, making that singularity possible.

At the time, Kurzweil’s ideas seemed outlandish. Today – despite the advances we’ve seen in artificial intelligence and biotechnology – they still seem pretty eccentric. However, technology does seem to be accelerating faster than ever before.

And while humanity will likely not achieve true singularity – be “uplifted” into the internet and computers – in any of our lifetimes, the case is different in the stock market.

As I showed you earlier, the tech sector and the markets have fused. Technology essentially is the stock market.

For technology investors, this new Singularity Era is a good news/bad news scenario.

The fact that every company is now a “tech company” means you have what our friends at the Pentagon might refer to as a “target-rich environment” – meaning you’ve got lots of stocks to choose from.

That, of course, is also the challenge – you have lots of stocks to choose from.

So while the Singularity Era represents the biggest moneymaking opportunity we’ll see over the rest of our lifetime, cashing in requires you to pick the right tech opportunities.

Or what we refer to as “Singularity Plays.”

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One reason that we’ve achieved “singularity” – with the tech giants dominating the markets and every company becoming a tech company – is the reality that technology’s contribution to economic growth continues to surge.

And that means its influence on wealth creation will continue to surge, as well.

The following five “data points” help explain how technology already has transformed our world – and how technology will continue to fuse with the markets.

1. **Smartphones are everywhere.** The number of smartphones in the world topped 2 billion in 2016. If you add in tablet computers and other connected devices, that figure reaches 7 billion. That’s more than one connected device for every person on the planet. And the number of users is expected to reach 2.66 billion by 2019. And to think that 30 years ago there were exactly zero mobile phones around. We went from a market worth nothing to a market worth $327 billion by 2016. And now even mobile sub-markets are soaring. In 2016, the global mobile app market reached $51 billion. By 2020, that number will exceed $101 billion.

2. **Technology has hollowed out the demand for low-skilled workers.** A 2013 study from Oxford University predicts that up to 47% of U.S. jobs will be computerized in the next two decades. Even white-collar professionals, like lawyers, doctors, and financial advisors, are under threat from technology. However, this opens up an opportunity for tech investors, as tech subsectors like robotics and artificial intelligence soar. The analysts at Tractica forecast that the global artificial intelligence market will grow from $643.7 million in 2016 to $36.8 billion by 2025. That’s a 57-fold increase. The global IT robotic automation market alone, valued at $183.1 million in 2013, is expected to experience a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 60.5% from 2014 to 2020.

3. **Biotechnology is solving previously insurmountable problems.** Over the past few years, biotech researchers have made everything from immunotherapy (treatments that boost our own immune systems to fight disease) to liquid biopsies (noninvasive tests of blood or urine to detect disease) possible. According to recent data, venture capital firms heaped $11 billion into healthcare companies in 2014. That’s a 30% jump over 2013. The global biotechnology market, valued at $270.5 billion in 2013, is expected to grow at a CAGR of 12.3% between then and 2020.

4. **More people than ever are learning online.** At last count, more than 80,000 education apps were available for download through Apple’s
App Store, with 72% of those aimed at toddlers and preschoolers. Moreover, the massive open online course (MOOC) market size is forecast to grow from $1.83 billion in 2015 to $8.5 billion by 2020, at a CAGR of 36%. MOOCs are free or inexpensive college-level courses delivered over the web to tens of thousands of students all over the globe.

5. Cybercrime now costs the world $445 billion annually. That’s according to a recent study from the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), a think tank stocked with former U.S. intelligence officials. And that cost is growing at a frantic rate: According to the CSIS report, annual losses could soar to $575 billion in very short order. But like with the automation-caused job crisis, these cybersecurity worries bring with them opportunities. The cybersecurity market is forecast to grow from $122.45 billion in 2016 to $202.36 billion by 2021.

Of course, those are just small slices of the technology sector and its growth as compared to the global market. To examine that, let’s take a look at the Internet of Everything.

This $24 Trillion Market Is Taking Over

The IoE is the glue that binds the “Convergence Economy” together.

It’s a new high-tech reality where almost everything is “connected” and able to communicate.

Think of a kind of “Super Internet” that opens the door to all sorts of opportunities, including...

- “Wearable” technology like smart watches, fitness trackers, and intelligent glasses.
- Special monitoring devices that could signal when an airline pilot or a long-haul trucker starts showing signs of fatigue.
- “Smart homes” that can be configured from afar (you could control your entertainment system, your air conditioner, or safety-monitoring systems).
- Components in “connected” cars, trucks, and airplanes that can signal when they’re about to fail.
- Sensors that can help vehicles – even those that are “unpiloted” – avoid collisions.
• And medical devices you can swallow that then perform diagnostic tests, or treat your cancer, heart disease, diabetes or any other illness you can think of.

**Ericsson**, one of the largest telecoms on the planet, says that by 2020 more than 50 billion enabled devices will be talking to each other.

And that’s just the beginning.

As of 2013, barely 0.6% of devices that could be connected were connected. And still today, more than 90% of things that could be included in the Internet of Everything have yet to be.

As it stands now, the technology spans into nearly every economic, social, and civil segment of society. As we speak, everyone who’s anyone in the tech sector is currently investing millions – even billions – to claim their stake in this once-in-a millennio tech movement, hoping to position themselves as a market leader:

IBM is spending close to $2 billion a year to secure its market share... **Hewlett Packard Enterprise Co. (NYSE: HPE)** is making a $10 billion investment to establish its dominance in the IoT... and **Cisco Systems Inc. (Nasdaq: CSCO)** has announced plans to restructure itself around it.

The fact is, the IoT is rapidly turning Earth into a “smart” planet where everything – man, machine even nature – is interconnected. That’s another “singularity.”

It’s an economic singularity, too.

The analysts at **ResearchandMarkets** expect the IoT market to grow from about $2 trillion now to $23.97 trillion by 2020.

To put that in perspective, the gross world product (GWP) stood at $73.99 trillion in 2015. And global economists expect that number to grow to $91.37 trillion in 2020.
That means just the Internet of Everything is advancing from 2.7% of the global economy to 26.2% of GWP.

That alone makes technology’s capture of the markets a true singularity.

And Singularity Plays are the single best way to capitalize on the IoE and the other trends I’ve been showing you. They’ll be the only way to outpace inflation, to build wealth, and to achieve outside market returns in the years, decades, and generations to come.

Plus, they’ll provide a kind of “downside protection” – because the advances in technology that are fostering the efficiencies we’ve referred to are also going to help companies eliminate jobs at an accelerating rate.

What will make this a bit easier is the fact that our research has found that there are really four Singularity Era “windows” of opportunity. These windows represent pools of innovation that will lead to new intersections in the “Convergence Economy” we’ve been talking here.

Introducing the Singularity Nexus

Nearly every profit opportunity I’ll bring to you in the coming weeks and months fits into at least one of these windows – which make up the “Singularity Nexus.”

These four windows cover nearly every facet of our lives...

How We Live: From personal computers and smartphones to connected cars and streaming media, technology has upended the way we live. But those trends are really still in their infancy. Soon, small towns and big cities alike will be brimming with sensors, smart meters, connected cameras, and, most importantly, fiber-optic cables that monitor temperature, energy consumption, traffic, bus and subway arrivals and departures, and even crime. All this smart technology makes cities run more smoothly. It also makes them safer and more energy efficient. The researchers at Frost & Sullivan predict 26 high-level smart cities worldwide by 2025. Further, MarketsandMarkets says the smart-city market will nearly double by 2019, to $1.27 trillion. The smart homes that make up these cities are also advancing quickly ($121.73 billion market by 2022). The How We Live window also includes education tech (a $252 billion market by 2020); personal financial tech; and various ways we entertain ourselves, such as video games ($100 billion market right now) and virtual reality ($162 billion by 2020).
How We Work: As artificial intelligence ($36 billion by 2025) and other forms of automation take over more and more of the workforce, it becomes more and more necessary to invest in tech as a form of insurance against the jobless future. Augmented reality, or smart glasses ($90 billion by 2020); the bring your own device (BYOD) trend ($367 billion by 2022); and IT services ($3.8 trillion by 2020) also fit in here. Then there's cloud computing, in which corporations’ data and software live on the internet (via huge “server farms), not on computer hard drives. Some forecasts say cloud computing is growing from $41 billion in 2011 to $270 billion in 2020. That’s 559% growth in less than 10 years.

How We Survive: There are security issues in East Asia, thanks to North Korea’s nuclear ambitions and China’s belligerence, as well as in the Middle East, due to ISIS and other terrorist groups. Plus, hackers and cyber thieves are causing chaos right here at home and stealing billions of dollars a year. Uncertainty is the watchword, and any of these “pools of worry” could touch off a correction in stock prices. But with every threat comes an opportunity. I’m talking about defense (global military spending was nearly $1.7 trillion in 2015 and could reach $2.4 trillion by 2024) and cybersecurity ($202.36 billion by 2021). And because we focus on technology here, I’m specifically thinking of futuristic advanced weapons and systems. Investments of this type are likely to enjoy broad support on Capitol Hill and in the White House, meaning we’ll see spending increases in all these areas.

How We Thrive: I’ve followed biotech for almost 25 years and I’ve never seen so many advances coming so quickly. I predict that the biotech innovations that are being researched now will help us cure cancer, end the scourge of Alzheimer’s, and make 100-year human life spans the rule, rather than the exception. And now that it has a complete map of the human genome in its tool kit, biotech has truly reached critical mass. For example, the sector is giving us breakthrough drugs called biologics. These are compounds made from the cells of mammals. Biologic drugs are now being used to target cancer cells with pinpoint accuracy. The biologic market has already passed the $200 billion mark and is expected to reach $500 billion by 2019. Then there’s, synthetic biology ($13.4 billion by 2019), which is using lab-created biological systems to produce pollution-ending chemicals, create biofuels, and make proteins for vaccines. And antiaging treatments combined with such RNAi therapies could bring in as much as $595.56 billion by 2020. And that’s not even getting into the food manufacturers and agricultural
companies that are improving our diet through such advances as organic food ($211.44 billion by 2018) and precision farming ($8.8 billion by 2025).

The subsectors and dollar amounts I’ve described in these categories barely scratch the surface of the growth we’ll see due to the Singularity Era.

After all, tying it all together is the Internet of Everything.

As I showed you earlier, IoE spending alone could make up more than 25% of GWP by 2020. As we advance toward a global economy of $90 trillion and beyond, the tech sector will grab more and more of that.

And that’s why you need I guide like myself – to separate the Singularity Plays that will win in the future... and those that will be left behind.

What’s Next...

Here’s what I’m going to do in the coming weeks and months.

We’ll explore each category in the Singularity Nexus – going in-depth into what they are and the markets within the

Moreover, after analyzing and investing in technology stocks for more than 30 years, I have perfected a Tech Wealth Blueprint.

These five “rules” can help you become a much savvier and far more profitable tech investor. I crafted them to help you identify the biggest market trends – and the Singularity Plays best positioned to yield hefty profits.

Even more importantly, with them, you’ll avoid the most common tech pitfalls – like chasing a sexy-sounding but ultimately worthless initial public offering (IPO)... or buying into a poorly performing small-cap in the hopes it will be acquired by a high-spending tech giant.

In the coming weeks, I’ll show you how to use that Tech Wealth Blueprint and all the other wealth-building (and -keeping) strategies and tactics I’ve developed over the years. With them, you’ll soon find yourself tapping into the industry’s most exciting and fastest moving opportunities... capturing extreme wealth... and living a better life now and in retirement.
Finally, I’ll bring you the Singularity Plays – the stocks, funds, and other investments with the best chance of making 10x gains... or beyond.

Like I’ve been saying, in the Singularity Era, you have to know how to find the right company at the right time.

Here’s just a couple of examples of what I’m talking about...

I recommended Ambarella Inc. (Nasdaq: AMBA) to my readers on Aug. 2, 2013. Since then, this developer of video chips has gone on a rocket ride. Less than two years after that, they had peak gains of 691%.

Then there’s U.S. Silica Holdings Inc. (NYSE: SLCA). I suggested this Miracle Materials small-cap firm back on Feb. 7, 2014. Less than seven months later... peak gains of 260%.

And I got my readers in on Tesla Motors Inc. (Nasdaq: TSLA) way before Wall Street had caught on to what Elon Musk is doing. They’ve made peak gains of 115.6%.

Since those are the kinds of returns than can supercharge just about any investors’ portfolio, let’s do the math.

Take the average American’s net savings of $25,000 and boost it by 691%.

Not counting taxes, you wind up with a new net worth of $172,750. Do that a few times and you’re on Easy Street.

I just pulled these examples off the top of my head. I’ve delivered dozens of double-digit winners – and much more than a few triple-digit winners – to my readers.

And that will be nothing compared to what’s coming due to the Singularity Era. With the kind of tailwinds this new era is creating, we’ll be seeing gains of 2×... 5×... 10× – and more.
The dawning of the **Singularity Era** was the moment when the technology economy converged with the entire stock market.

We’re at that “zero hour” right now.

This new era will create more millionaires than ever before.

You can be one of them – if you know where and when to pounce.

The painstakingly researched **Singularity Plays** I’ll be sending your way each and every week – along with the strategies and tactics I’ll also be sharing with you – will get you to that point.

It’s “**How You Will Thrive.**”

Now... and in the future.

Cheers and good investing,

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Michael A. Robinson
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