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I know not literally homework, but I feel like they are only one degree less abstract than E. Maybe I'm wrong. If they say they have tons of clarity they are lying because no one knows! I get that E just need to have and communicate a little more of a positive vision. You are totally right about that.

> On Feb 9, 2018, at 10:31 AM, Shivon Zilis <shivon@openai.com> wrote:

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> Homework is not meant as literally as you're taking it. It's just that he talks in such vibrant terms about how, for example, Neuralink could evolve and doesn't currently have any directional plan for what to do in AI. The "project centric" thing in the doc I'm sending you will include thoughts on that.

> Assume SpaceX email for that? It's long so perhaps just look tomorrow when you have free mental space.

>> On Feb 9, 2018, at 12:15 AM, Sam Teller <[REDACTED]> wrote:

>> Yes re: focus

>> I want to read doc, understand homework, etc

>> Understand your point about positive vs negative but still just feels like bs when they say the reason they don't want to join Tesla is he hasn't done his homework. I haven't heard them articulate a compelling vision either tbh

>>> On Feb 8, 2018, at 11:54 PM, Shivon Zilis <shivon@openai.com> wrote:

>>> They seem pretty set on doing the OpenAI thing. Elon can support or he can choose not to. They of course hope to be friends. Greg and Ilya definitely don't want to do Tesla, Altman is increasingly that way, though could be convinced if Elon came to a plan they both believed in. They all think Elon is an incredible human being but that he really hasn't done his homework AI / AGI and that really concerns them about working with him.

>>> Only outstanding item is structure of financing which Altman will know in a week. He said he wanted to run final plan by you and me, then to Elon. It will either be private SAFT or a more traditional equity offering as a for profit or B Corp. Altman presumes he is still out but wants him to be aware at least.

>>> For Elon, I will send you a document with all of the ways the world could potential unfold that have any merit. Some of them are pretty out there and difficult to achieve, but the point is they are conversation starters since Elon needs help making his mind think about this. I would be curious as to your reactions.

>>> Highest level bit: I can't see a viable path forward if Elon is not able to find a version of this he finds truly inspiring, meaning he has to think he is trying to create a good thing vs a .02% chance of a slightly less shitty outcome. Hard to take a viable shot at this while having the severely negative mental and emotional reaction. It will wreck him and not lead to good results. I think there could be versions of this that he finds inspiring, whether now or in time, but that's the biggest thing I'm trying to figure out for myself as well, as I've found this problem difficult to solve for myself too!

>>> Re: other things, I really want Tesla music to be awesome but I'm admittedly not the ideal person to work on that. There are so many things that would be happier than the AGI stuff but it feels important and we don't have anyone else to think about it!!! Feels correct to focus on it at least until Elon makes a decision, don't you think?

>>>> On Feb 8, 2018, at 6:57 PM, Sam Teller <[REDACTED]> wrote:

>>>> Thanks!

>>>> On AI, do you have any more intel from Greg and Ilya? Are we mainly still trying to get Elon to think about and act on a plan? Recruit Altman? Read stuff from you?

>>>> I think the emails are still good for Neuralink updates. Will be back in the rhythm next week! All hands with Q&A sounds good. Also let's block time next week to go through his old SpaceX and Tesla emails to extract great ones to share with Neuralink.

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>>>> Tesla I think ok for now. I'm close to the Jon stuff. Omead deep in production. Need you to stay close to Autopilot, which has been very helpful.
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>>>> Anything else you want to be doing that would make you happy?
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>>>> On Feb 8, 2018, at 12:19 AM, Shivon Zilis <shivon@openai.com> wrote:
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>>>>> 1. I am guessing tomorrow not a great day for you to think about AI. Happy and ready to talk about it whenever you are but I understand that it's not top of mind – so queue me when you're ready! Everyone sort of in a holding pattern so not urgent, but next 2-5 days probably ideal.
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>>>>> 2. If you can think of better ways to keep Elon up to speed about Neuralink let me know. I feel like the context emails used to be the best strategy but don't think that's working as well as it used to. Would love to keep him feeling like he is engaged and in the loop so if you have thoughts I'm all ears.
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>>>>> Really think he should do an all hands soon so it's more front line than just me / you / Max giving him high level.
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>>>>> 3. If there is Tesla stuff that needs handling given Jon and such let me know. I have been pretty heads down trying to think through AI options / help manage problems that pop up and provide direction while you guys have been away – but please refocus me at will!