

1,000 Dates ...

(Or, 19 years of dating)



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I may have to learn to "date" again...

I am not really happy about this...

Frankly, it is kind of upsetting...

I realize that it might become necessary, and my heart still recoils at the thought of it, but my mind is telling me that logically, essentially, I just don't have any fucking choice. The only choice I have is to live as a hermit - and as appealing to me as that "life choice" is, I think I've gotten used to the idea of having someone around who "cares if I am around".

So, yeah, I might have to date and this sucks, but I decided to do the maths (see if it would make me feel better), and here are my initial assumptions:

1. I am fat - fat men get a score of 5/10.
2. I am old'ish (43), and that gives me a score of 6/10.
3. I am "OK" looking, but whatever, that gives me a score of 5/10.
4. I do have a job and make "decent" money, in what is left of our evil-fucked-up-money-printing-hell. This gives me a score of 9/10.
5. I know what the "Federal Reserve" is and WHY "Quantitative Easing" is EVIL (and I know why Paul Krugman is a super-mega-uber-douche). This gives me a score of 3/10.
6. I have criteria that may be "unrealistic". This gives me a score of 2/10.

Lets evaluate it: $(5+6+5+9+3+2)/60 \rightarrow 30/60$ or $1/2$ or 50%.

On the Shlorlaack-Rigener Curve, this value of 50% translates to 100 trials to achieve 1 positive result.

100 dates...

I can do this.

(right?)

I know that at least 99/100 trials (dates) a woman (my date) will be disgusted with me or I will be disgusted with her (or both) - but there is still that 1 golden time out of 100 where the date yields a positive result... Like decent sex or something - probably decent sex if I am honest.

But even with one positive result, one good date, according to Dr. Nancy Ulikov of Moscow University, "you cannot expect this one date to lead to marriage". The idea is simple: you must have approximately 10 good dates in order to expect 1 to result in marriage.

So, $(10*100) \rightarrow 1000$ dates ...

If you assume, that for any trial, the "normalized" temporal distance, based on funding criteria and other resource constraints, is about 1 week. 1 Date a week almost seems "too optimistic" if not impossible to do, but at a rate of 1 date per week (or 1000 weeks of dating), it would

take 19 years to find "the next love of my life".

19 fucking years...

Assuming a baseline cost of \$100 normalized dollars per date, the total cost (without an inflationary multiplier):

\$100K

If you assume a debased dollar, which given the dollar has lost 98% of its value since 1914 - let's say this number is more like **\$1 million dollars**. Whatever - it's a rough estimate.

So even though I think Ray Kurzweil is full of shit, and there is NOT going to be some amazing "singularity" crap, I will allow myself the optimism of "wishing" android-sex-slaves may be created within a few years or something to that effect.

I doubt there will be fem-bots - but man must dream.

Cuz 19 years means I will be in my early 60's when I get married again ...

Not likely to be having kids at that point.

But I think I might get a lot of "one night stands" along the way ...

And that just increases my risks of STD's ...

And I suppose that is something to look forward to ...

(one hopes)

... every 1/100 dates.