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From a conventional perspective associated with the industrial way of life, the future is the 'not yet'. It is the realm of potential and possibility, an empty vessel to be filled with dreams and desires, plans and projects. As such, it is a difficult domain for social science inquiry.

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