

I didn't like the term Information Theory. Claude didn't like it either. You see, the term 'information theory' suggests that it is a theory about information – but it's not. It's the *transmission* of information, not information. Lots of people just didn't understand this... I coined the term 'mutual information' to avoid such nonsense: making the point that information is always *about* something. It is information provided by something, about something.

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