

The First Great Acceleration and the Opening of the Anthropocene, 1830-1913

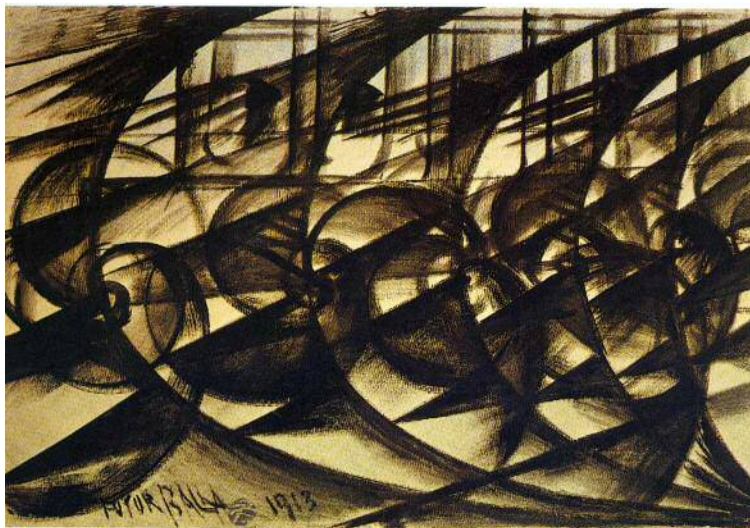
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Giacomo Balla "Speeding Car (study). Abstract Speed" (1913)

Conventional discussion of the Anthropocene has labeled the period since World War 2 as the "Great Acceleration." This talk will present compelling evidence, grounded in the global history of chemistry, metallurgy, steam-powered transport, and land cover change that the period from 1830 to 1913 is far more deserving of the label Great Acceleration and recognition as a starting point for the "human epoch" of geological history.

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