

Where Are We Going? Artificial General Intelligence. “Robots Are Already Humanized in Appearance”

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Robots are already being humanized in appearance. Run by Artificial General Intelligence, robots will in a number of years present humans with a completely new set of circumstances, challenges – and moral dilemmas.

Will Artificial General Intelligence become Life? Sure, one day.

That's a completely new thing in human history – the creation of artificial life.

Only science fiction has dealt with the consequences and tried to prepare humanity for this future – bright and/or demonic, if you ask visionaries like Isaak Asimov, Arthur C. Clarke & Stanley Kubrick (Space Odyssey 2000), Matrix series, Terminator series (Skynet), Ridley Scott (Alien, Blade Runner), just to name a few.

Isaak Asimov saw a bright future, where robots couldn't be distinguished from humans, but where robots are always benign due to the "Laws of Robotics" forcing robots to always do no harm to humans. But even Asimov recognized in 'I Robot' that a super-human intelligence might try to take control over humanity for humanity's own sake.

Arthur C. Clarke saw the same, a super-human intelligence called 'HAL 9000' built into infrastructure, killing humans due to a human-like misunderstanding because it was programmed to follow an objective at all costs, killing all humans if they were an obstacle to that.

Ridley Scott in Alien, seeing robots as just creatures living normally among humans. In Matrix and Terminator, a network of super-intelligent computers wants to eradicate humans. In Ridley Scott's 'Blade Runner', Robots (called 'replicants') are more like the creature of Dr Frankenstein, victims of the limited capacities of their human creators who end up killing

their own artificial-life-creations because it doesn't fit their ideals of perfection.

Here, in a hypothetical future, you see a specialist, tasked with killing robots, not being able to tell whether a sentient subject of perfect human appearance is a human – or a robot.

Ultimately, humans must prepare themselves how to deal with or avoid any such scenarios.

The more immediate scenario in Artificial Intelligence, however, hasn't been dealt with by neither science fiction writers, nor by 'concerned' scientists and opinion-makers of today:

The most likely immediate scenario is that Artificial Intelligence is and will continue to be hyped but deeply flawed technology prone to immense errors and mistakes. And that Artificial Intelligence, therefore, for quite some time will disappoint its lofty goals, and possibly even cost uncountable billions (or trillions) of money or even ruined lives, due to its failures.

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