

CS 378: Autonomous Intelligent Robotics

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Affective Computing and Human-Robot Interaction



Announcements

**FRI Survey – please take the time to
respond**

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My own end-of-semester survey:

<http://goo.gl/forms/rOmW8o4d6I>

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Final Projects Presentation Date:

Thursday, May 12, 9:00-12:00 noon

Final Project Presentations

- 8-10 minutes talk + 5 min time for questions
- Video or Demo
- Location: Conference room next to BWI lab
- Rehearse your presentation before!

Project Report Structure / Outline

- Abstract
- Introduction
- Background and/or Related Work
- Technical Approach
- Experiments and/or Evaluation and/or Example Demonstration
- Conclusion and Future Work

Project Deliverables

- Final Report (6+ pages in PDF)
- Code and Documentation (posted on github)
- Presentation including video and/or demo
- Post in discussion forum on Canvas

Presentation Schedule

- TO DO

A little bit about next semester...

- New robots: robot arm, quadcopter
- Virtually all of the grade will be based on a project
- There will still be some lectures and tutorials but much of the class time will be used to give updates on your projects and for discussions

Affective Computing and Human-Robot Interaction



Main Reference

Picard, Rosalind Wright. "Affective Computing."
(1995). APA

<http://affect.media.mit.edu/pdfs/95.picard.pdf>

What is “Affective Computing””?

Affective computing is the study and development of systems and devices that can recognize, interpret, process, and simulate human affects. It is an interdisciplinary field spanning computer science, psychology, and cognitive science.

- Wikipedia

Simple affective computing

- Automatic Flatterer
- <http://www.cse.unsw.edu.au/~geoffo/humour/flattery.html>

Unfortunately this is not
always the case



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always the case



BIG PICTURE



We're building a dream, one robot at a time.

The dream was simple. Design a robot that, one day, could duplicate the complexities of human motion and actually help people. An easy task? Hardly. But after more than 15 years of research and development, the result is ASIMO, an advanced robot with unprecedented human-like abilities. ASIMO walks forward and backward, turns corners, and goes up and down stairs with ease. All with a remarkable sense of strength and balance.

The future of this exciting technology is even more promising. ASIMO has the potential to respond to simple voice commands, recognize faces, carry loads and even push wheeled objects. This means that, one day, ASIMO could be quite useful in some very important tasks. Like assisting the elderly, and even helping with household chores. In essence, ASIMO might serve as another set of eyes, ears and legs for all kinds of people in need.

All of this represents the steps we're taking to develop products that make our world a better place. And in ASIMO's case, it's a giant step in the right direction.

HONDA
The power of dreams.

ICRA05

Barcelona



We already have robots in our homes
like this vacuuming robot



[Roomba, iRobot Inc.]

Entertainment Robots

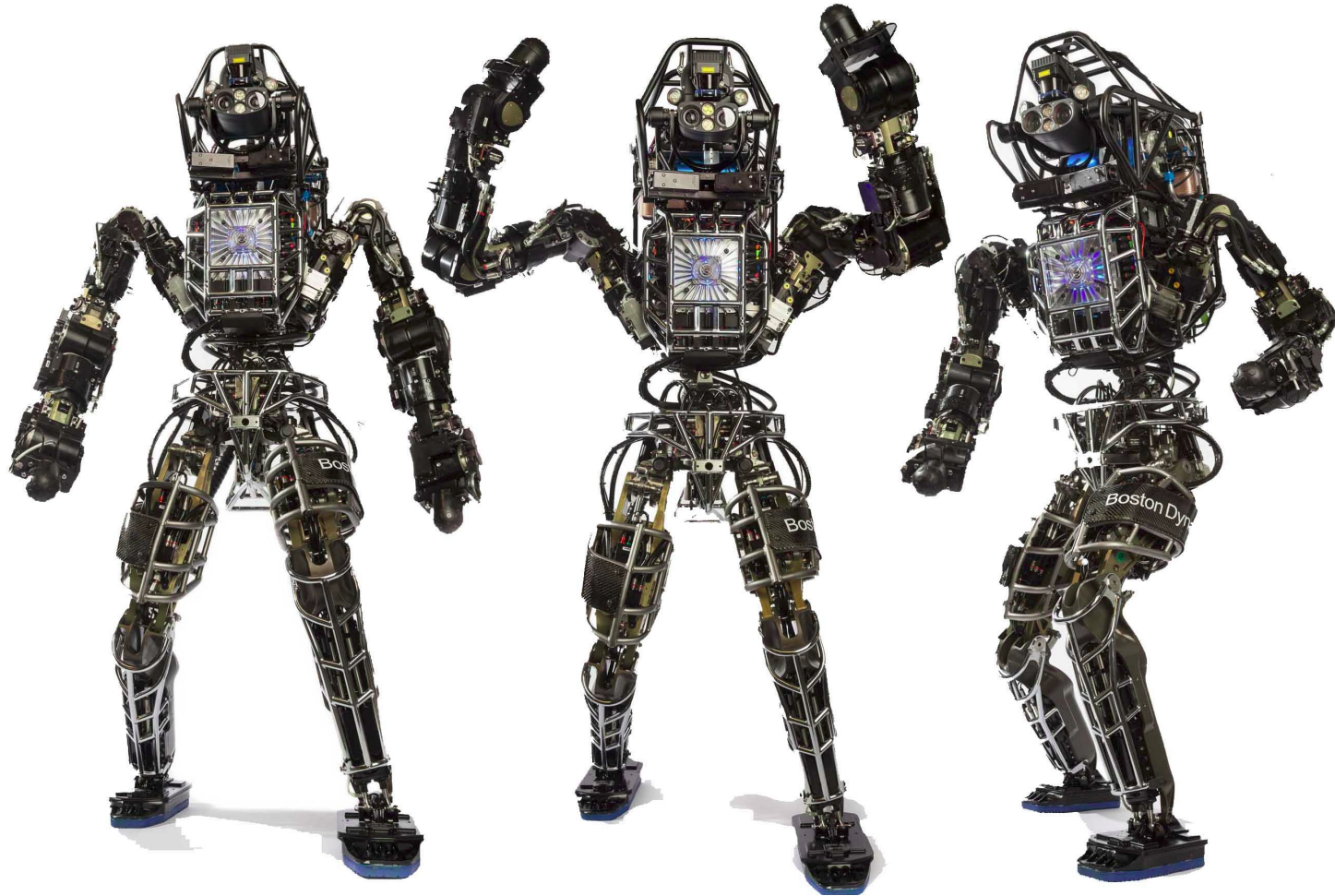


Robot Soccer

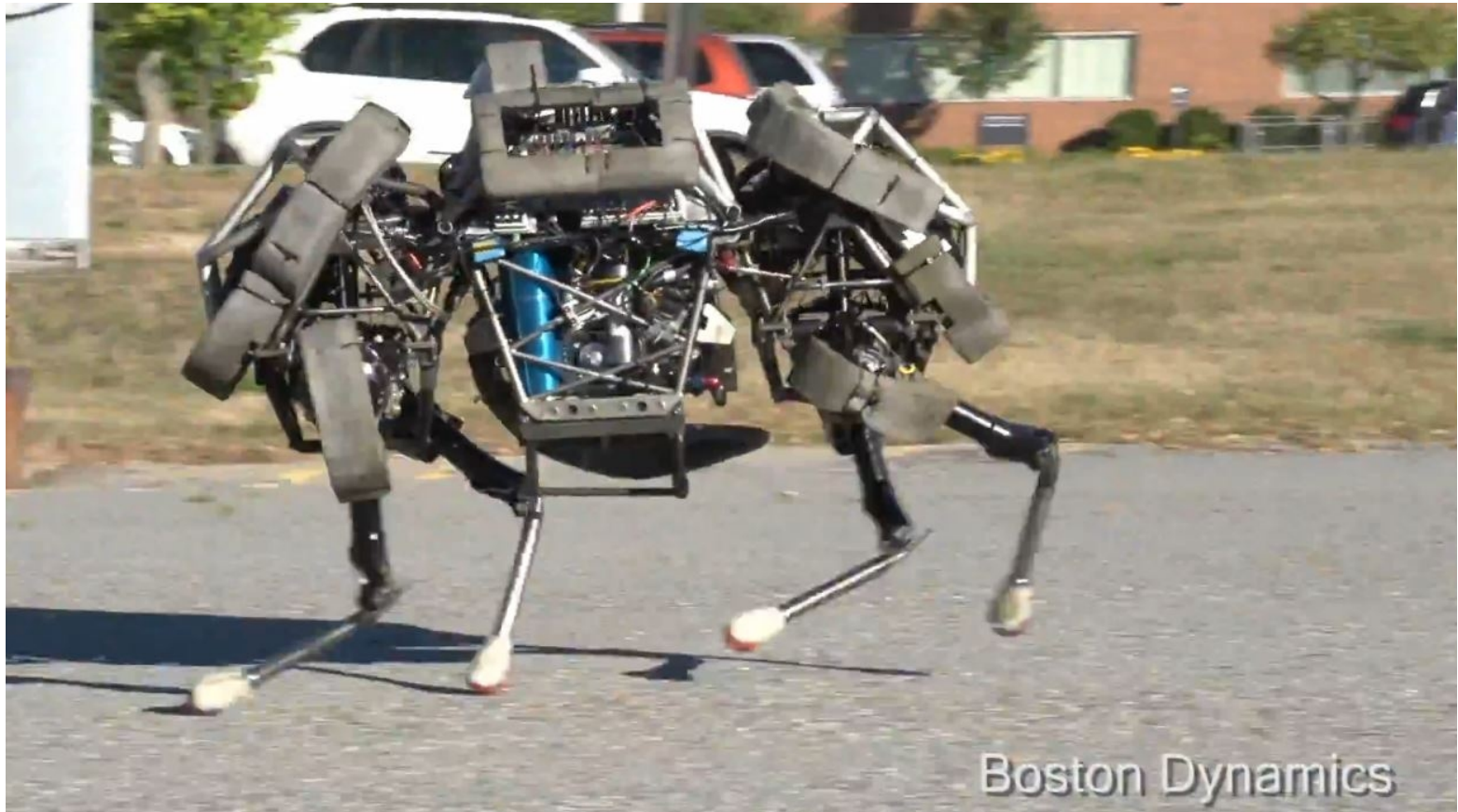


Robot Boxing

Military Robots



Military Robots



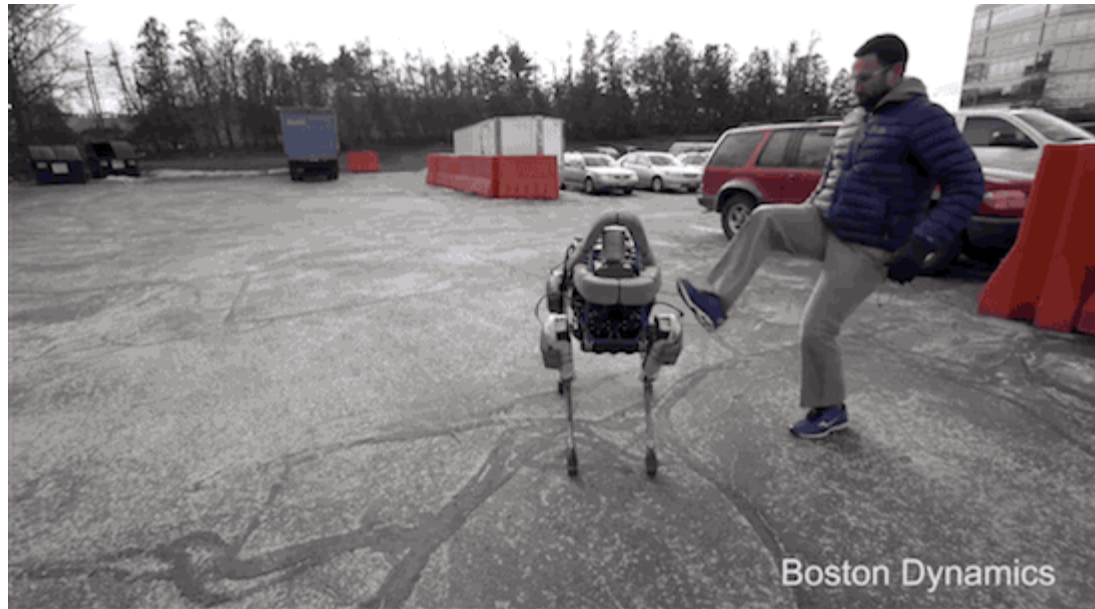
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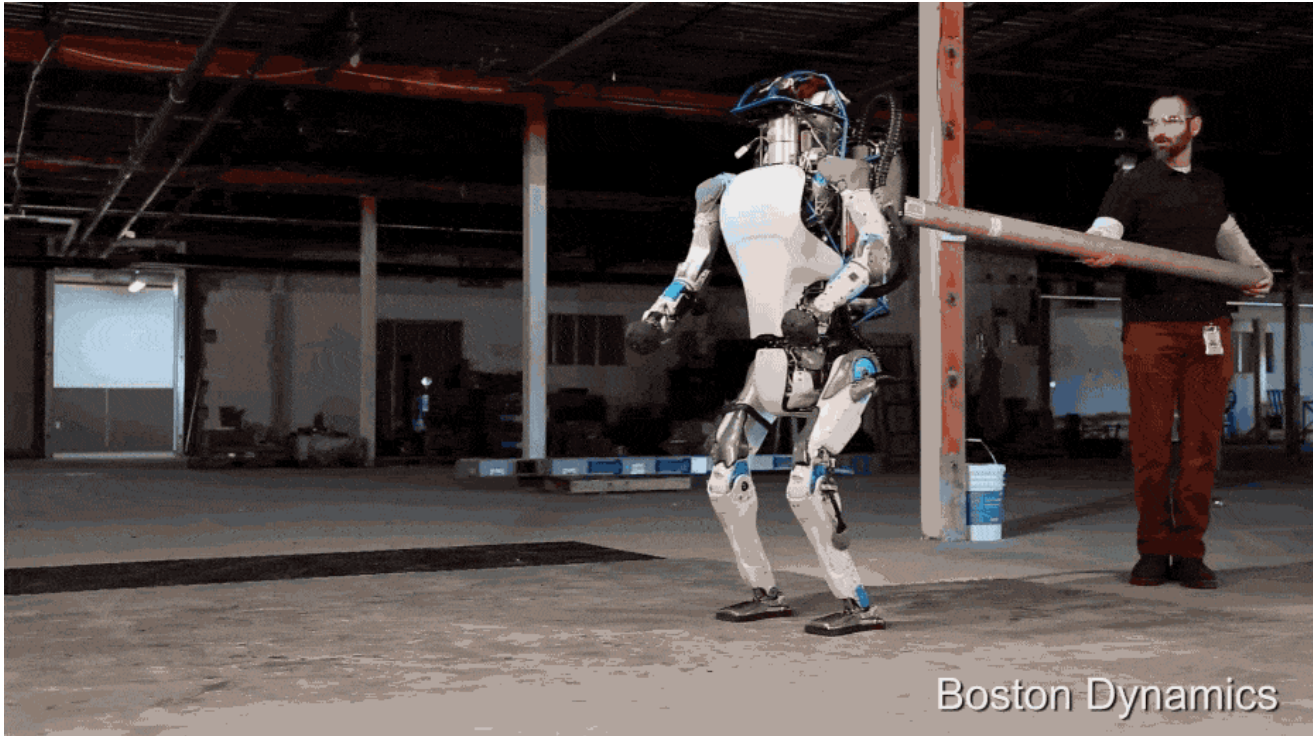
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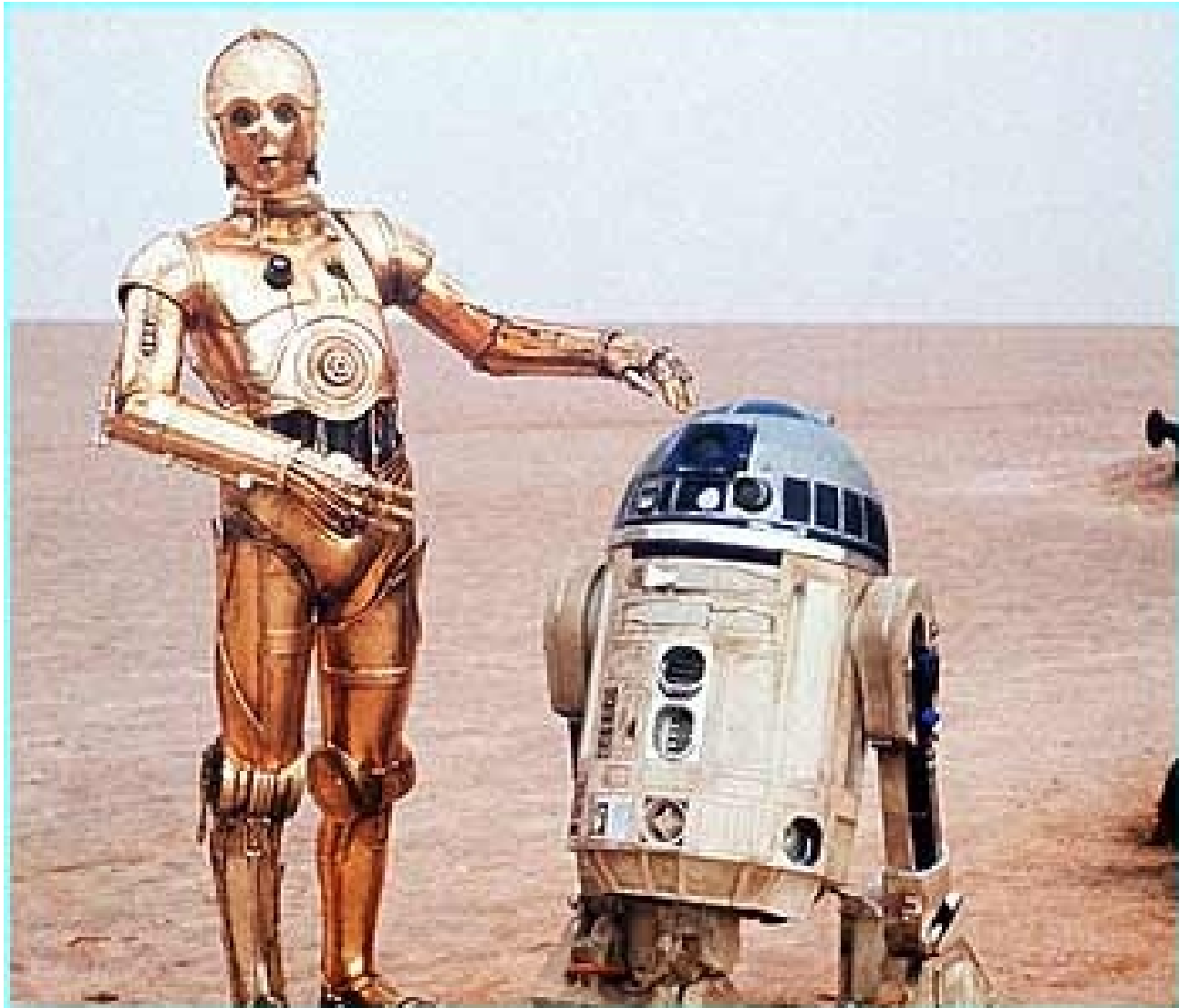
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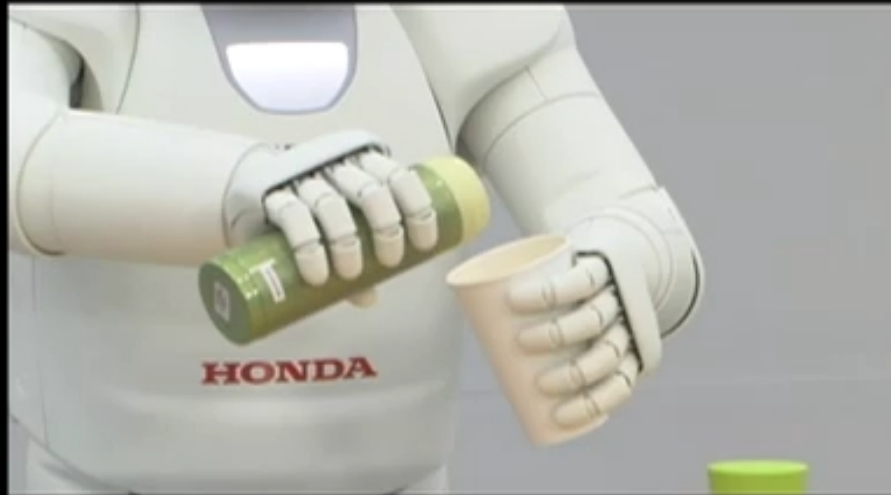
Science Fiction Robots



Honda's Asimo



Honda's Asimo



腕と多指ハンドを使った作業

Performing tasks using arms and multi-fingered hands

ASIMO opens a lid/pours drink into a cup

Androids and Geminoids

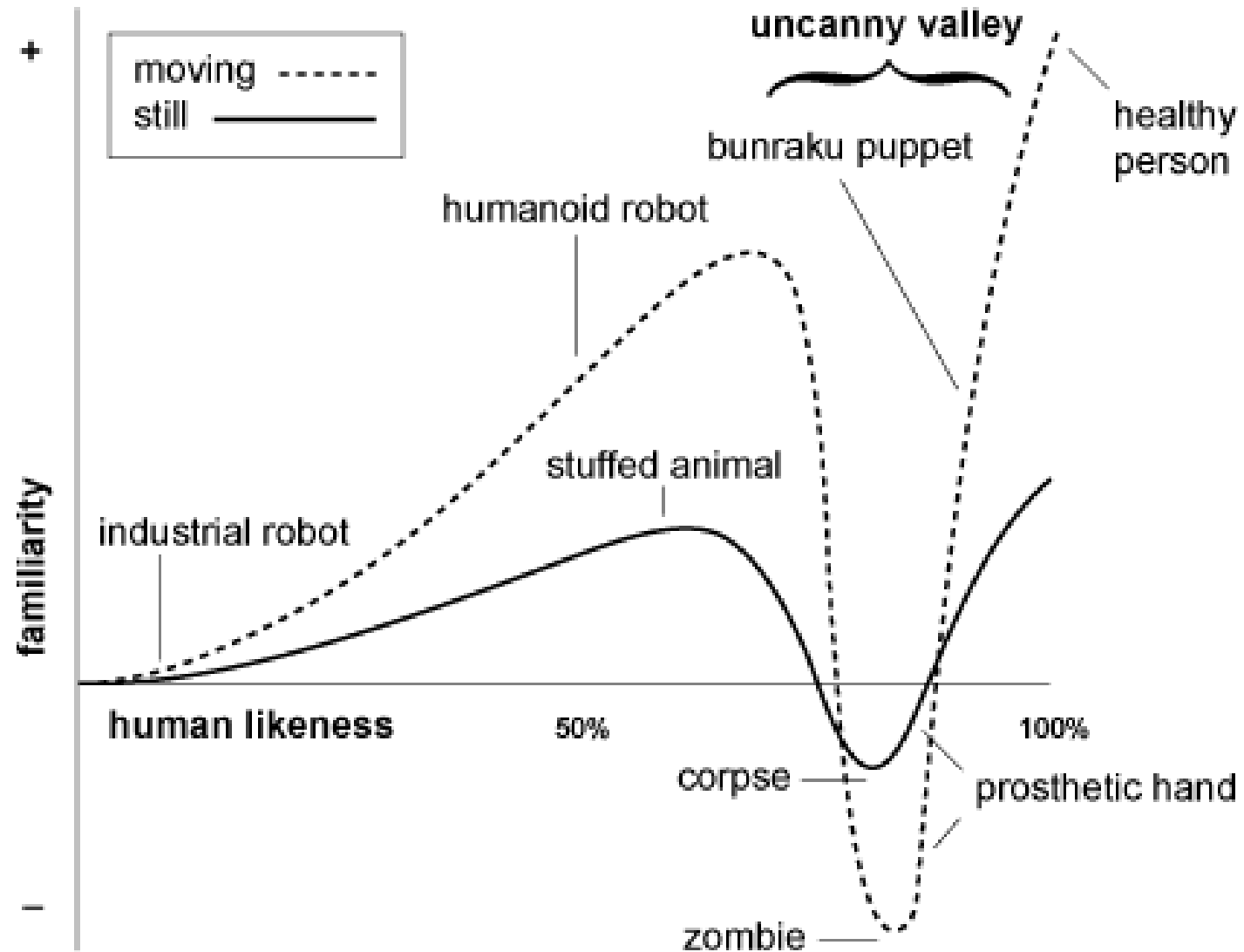


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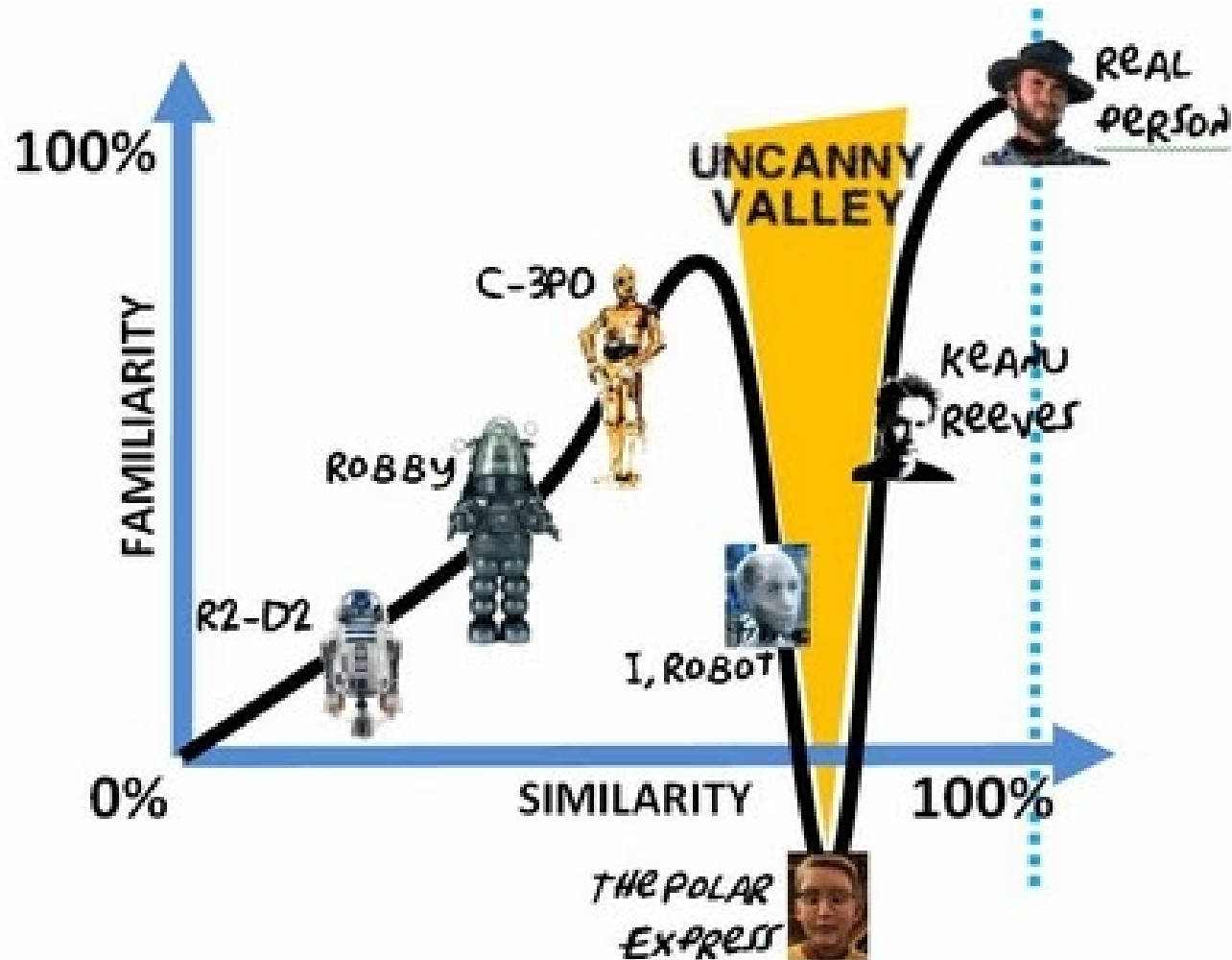
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Uncanny Valley



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[<http://www.technovelgy.com/ct/Science-Fiction-News.asp?NewsNum=2345>]

Uncanny Valley

“Emotional response of human subjects is plotted against anthropomorphism of a robot, following Mori's results. The Uncanny Valley is the region of negative emotional response for robots that seem "almost human". Movement amplifies the emotional response.”





Robotic Bride?



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<http://robot.watch.impress.co.jp/>

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" I never realised that cybersex could
be so much fun ! "

THE EVOLUTION OF
HUMAN-ROBOT RELATIONSHIPS

LOVE+SEX WITH ROBOTS



DAVID LEVY

"[A] controversial and troublingly arousing book." —USA Today
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The Stepford Wives

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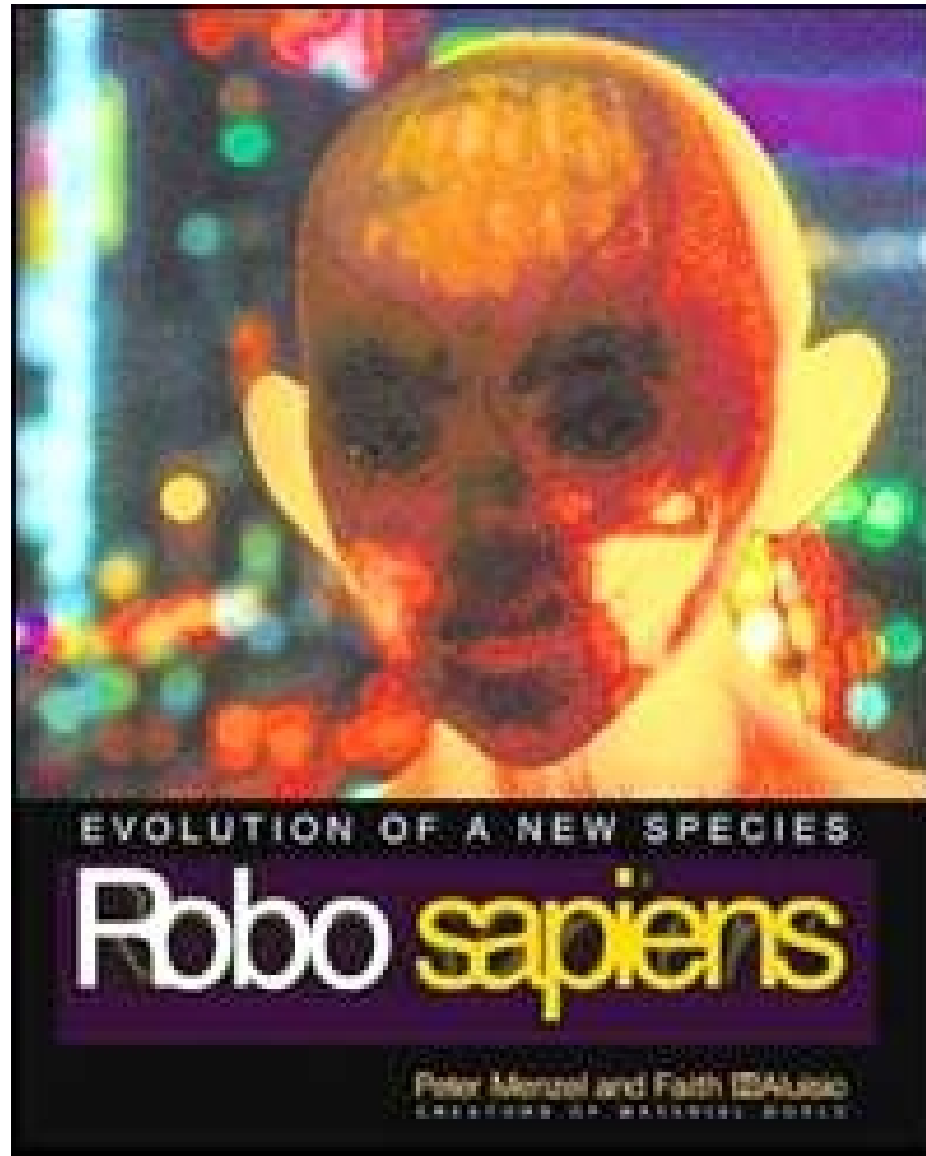
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StepfordWives.com IN THEATRES JUNE 11



[From “AI” the movie, Steven Spielberg]

For more info and some great pictures check out



DESCARTES' ERROR



"Antonio Damasio is a
profound thinker and an
elegant writer....

Descartes' Error is a
fascinating exploration
of the biology of reason
and its inseparable
dependence on emotion."

—Oliver Sacks, author of
An Anthropologist on Mars

Emotion,
Reason,
and
the
Human
Brain

ANTONIO R. DAMASIO

AFFECTIVE COMPUTING

Rosalind Picard

Why do you think these toys were so popular?



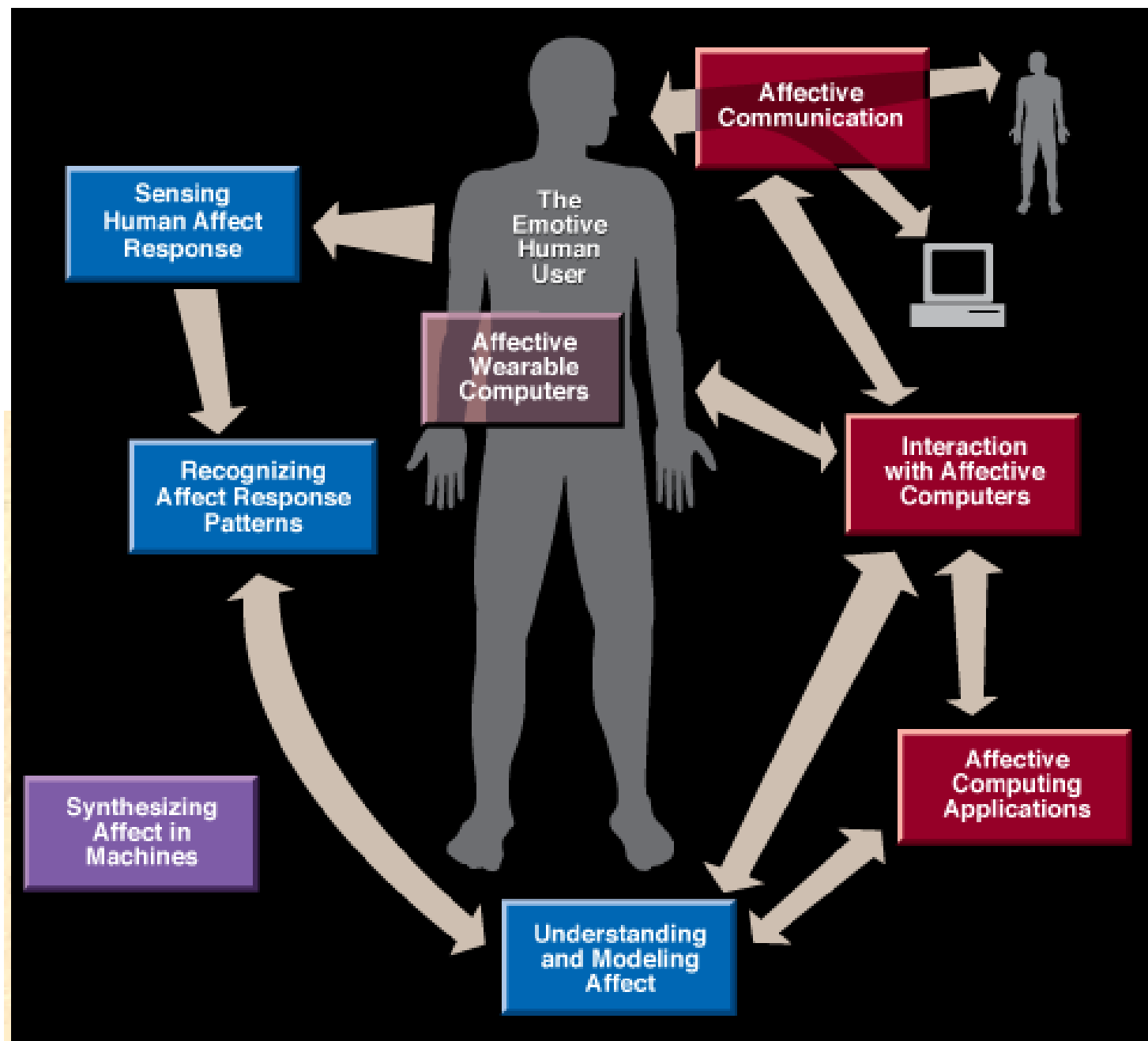
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Why do you think this car
is so popular?





Sensing Human Affect Response

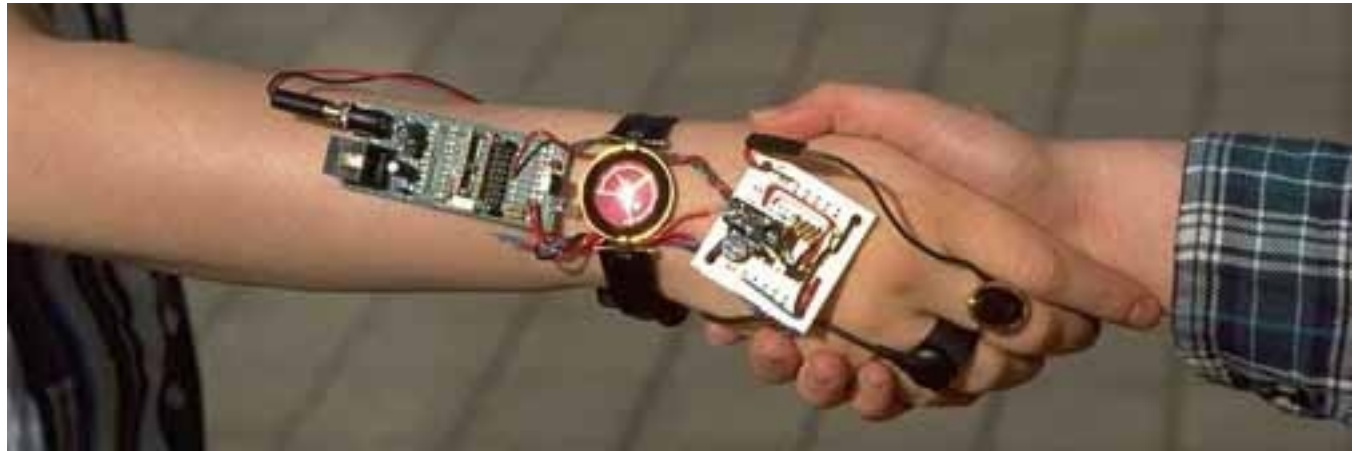
- ✱ Brain patterns
 - ✱ Autonomic nervous system affecting body:
 - Blood pressure
 - Blood flow
 - Sweating
 - ...
 - ✱ Facial expression
 - ✱ Voice intonation
 - ✱ Body posture
 - ✱ Skin color
- 
- communication

Affective Computing (Rosalind Picard, MIT)



Blood Volume Pressure
(BVP) earring

Galvanic Skin
Response
(GSR) rings
and bracelet

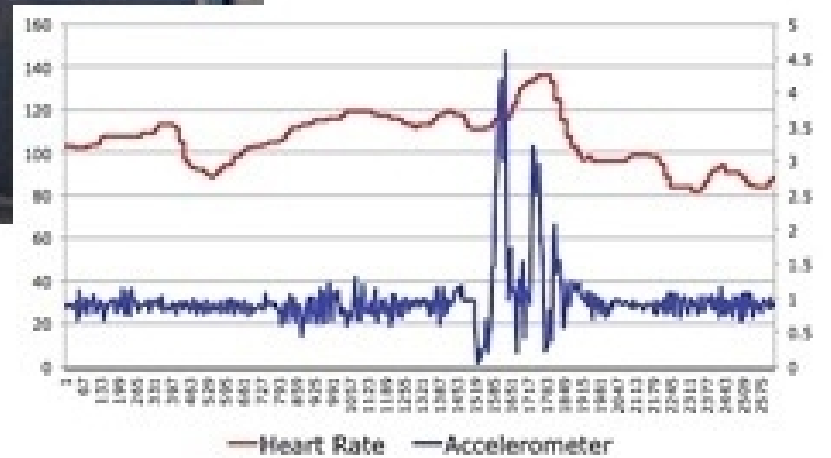
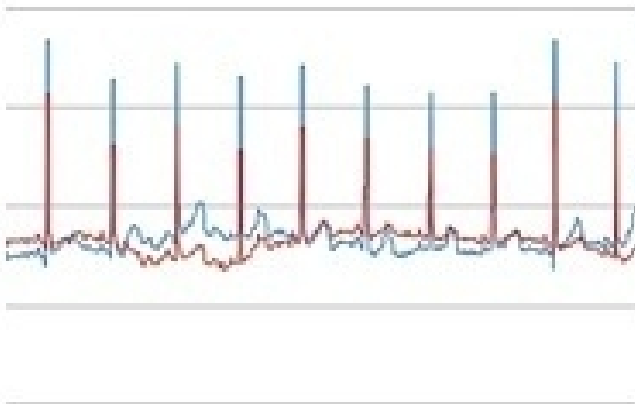
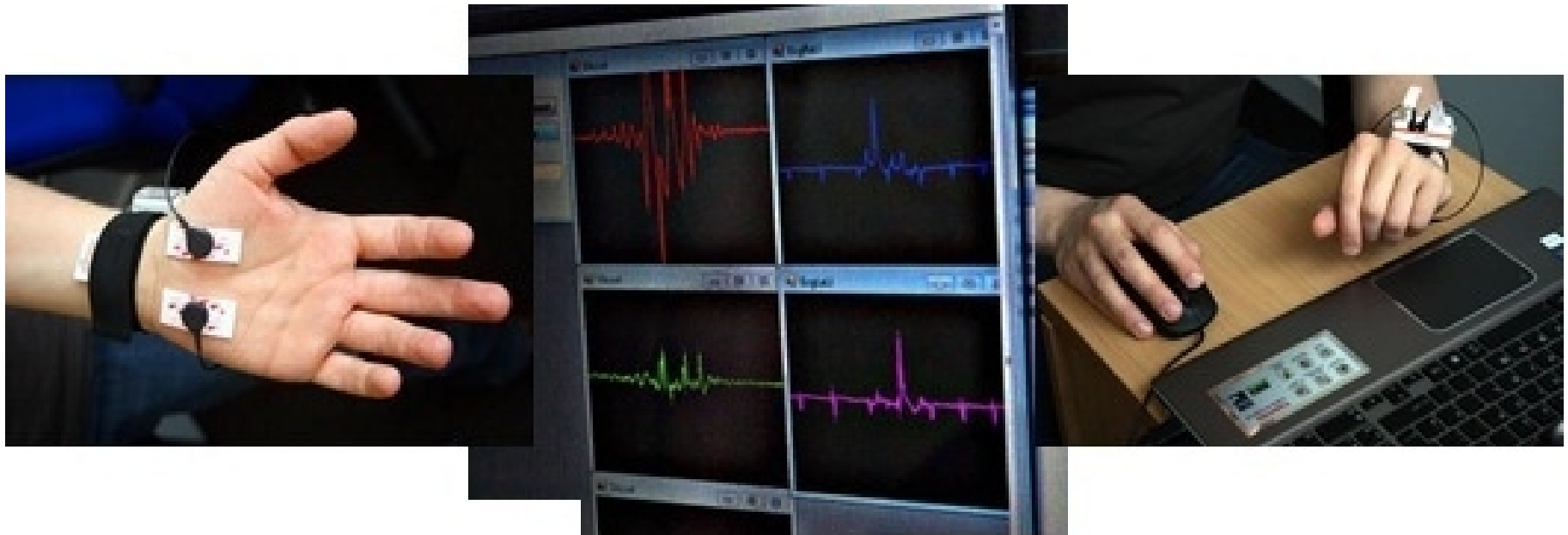


Skin Galvenometry for the Masses



And Another One





Hardware: “wearable computers”



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Thad Starnner

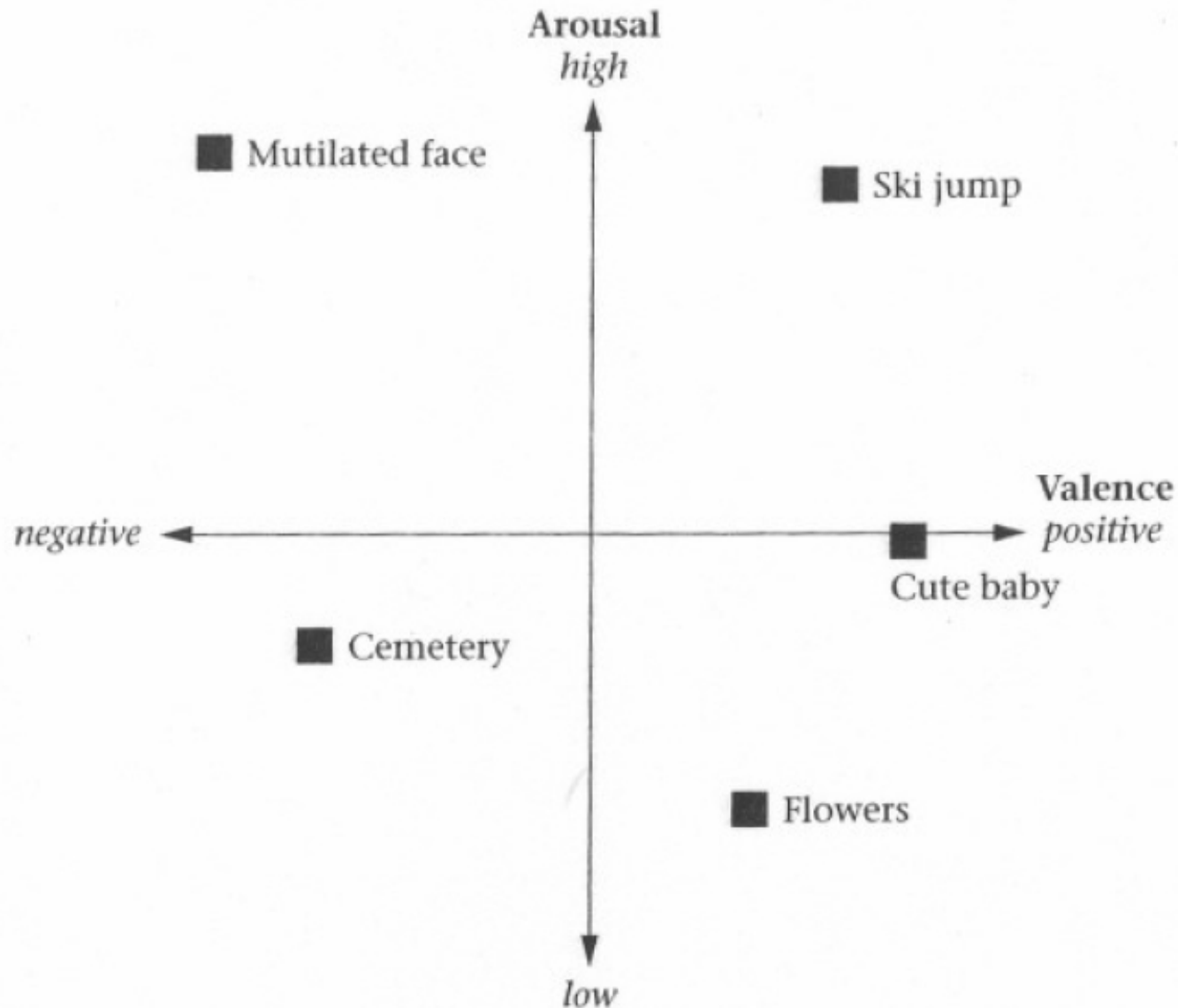


...and his younger brother Eric Starner





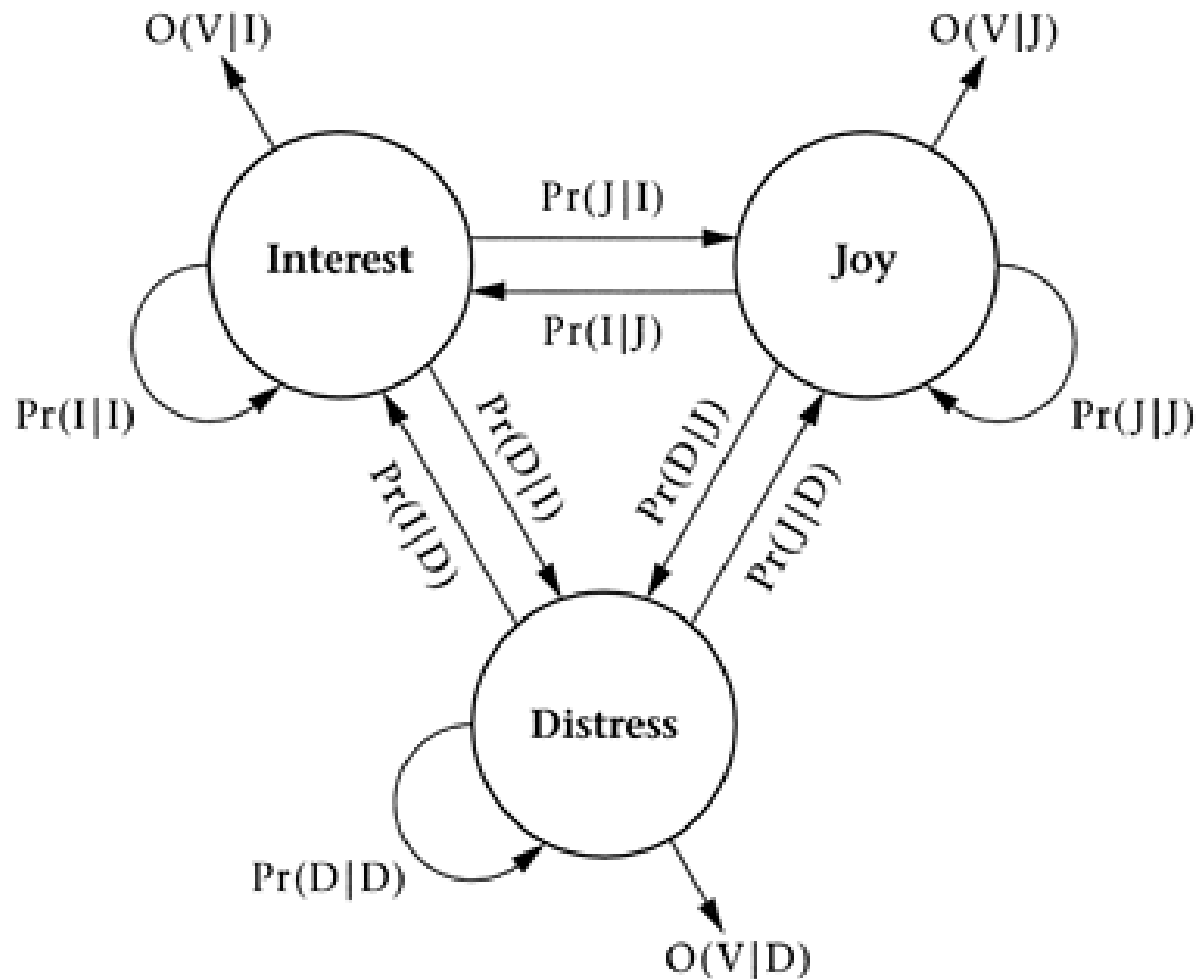
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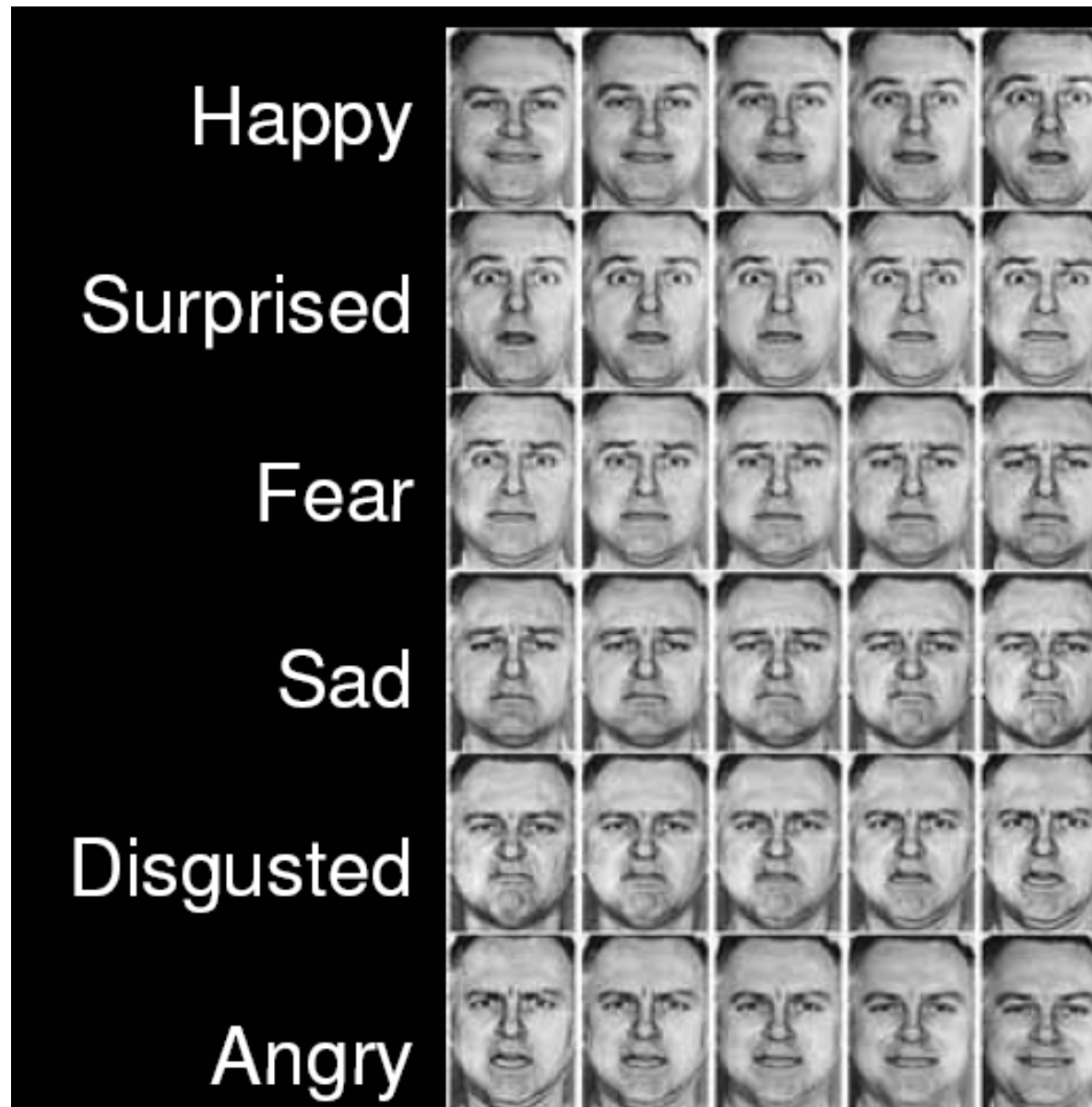
Possible Response Dimensions (Russell)



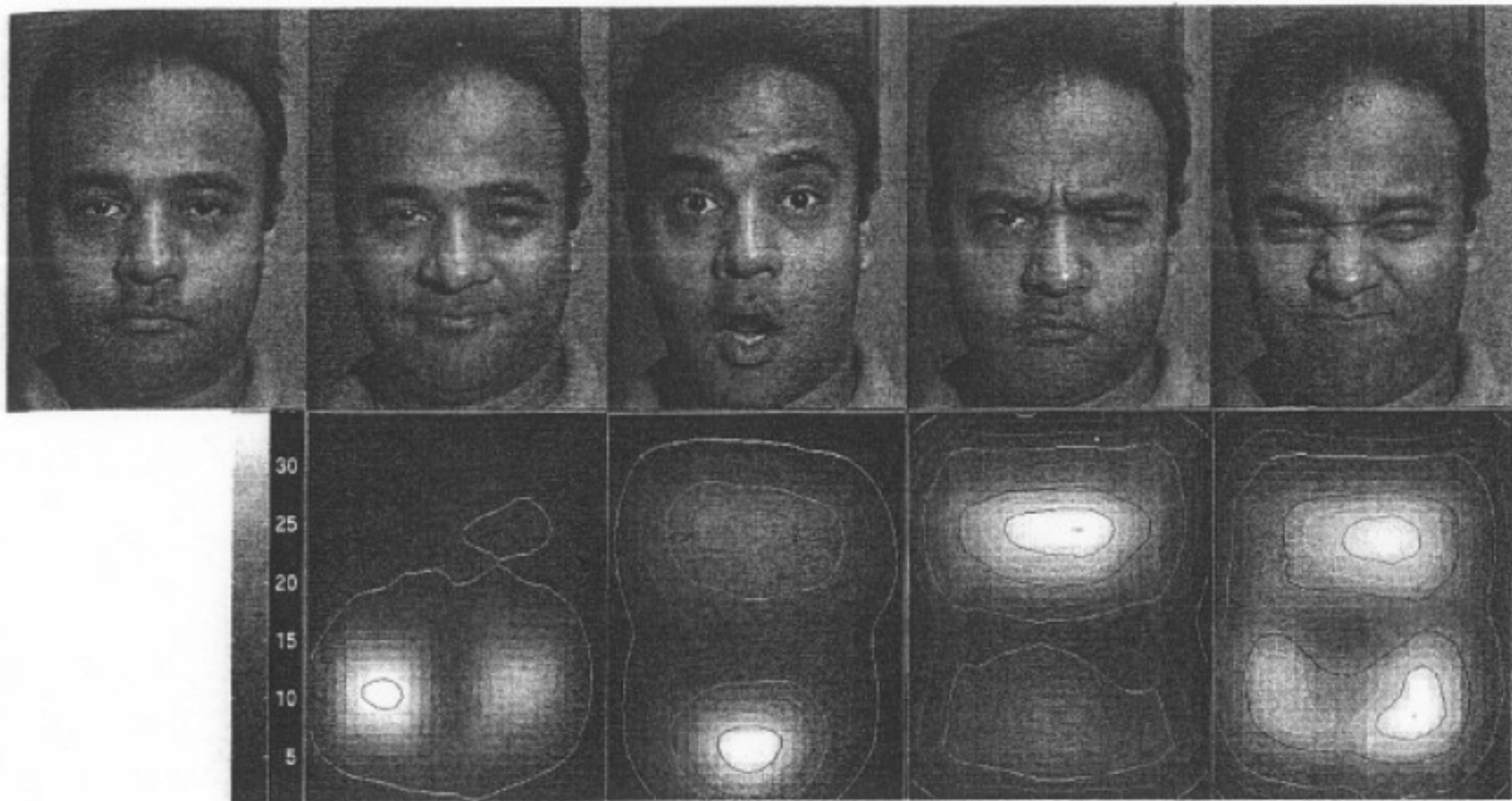
Recognizing Affect Response Patterns



Ekman's Six Facial Expressions



Facial Motion Energy Maps





FaceReader © Noldus Information Technology 2012



Affective Computing

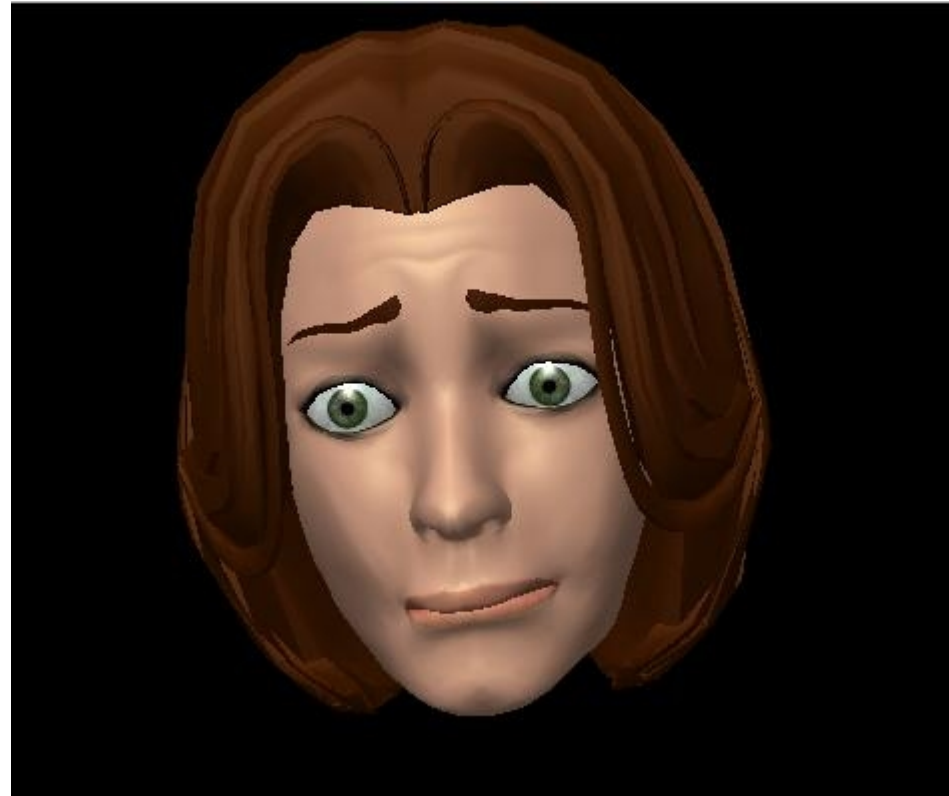


[<http://www.horizon.ac.uk/project/affective-computing/>]

Summary of human vocal effects most commonly associated with the emotions indicated. Descriptions are given relative to neutral speech. (Adapted with permission from Murray and Arnott (1993), Table 1. Copyright 1993 Acoustical Society of America.)

	Fear	Anger	Sadness	Happiness	Disgust
Speech rate	much faster	slightly faster	slightly slower	faster or slower	very much slower
Pitch average	very much higher	very much higher	slightly lower	much higher	very much lower
Pitch range	much wider	much wider	slightly narrower	much wider	slightly wider
Intensity	normal	higher	lower	higher	lower
Voice quality	irregular voicing	breathy chest tone	resonant	breathy blaring	grumbled chest tone
Pitch changes	normal	abrupt on stressed syllables	downward inflections	smooth upward inflections	wide downward terminal inflections
Articulation	precise	tense	slurring	normal	normal

Synthesizing Affect in Machines





A ROBOT'S EMOTIONS

Brooks didn't set out to build a humanoid robot, but he found that giving Baxter a face was the most intuitive way to communicate information.



NEUTRAL

Ready for training



ASLEEP

On standby



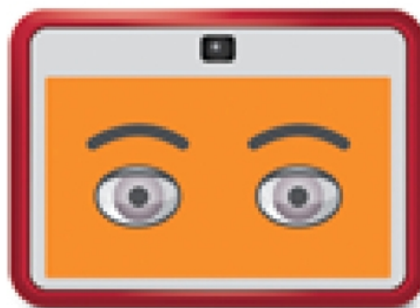
CONCENTRATING

Learning a task



FOCUSED

Working away without a problem



SURPRISED

A human has approached



CONFUSED

Having trouble finding an object or otherwise completing a task



SAD

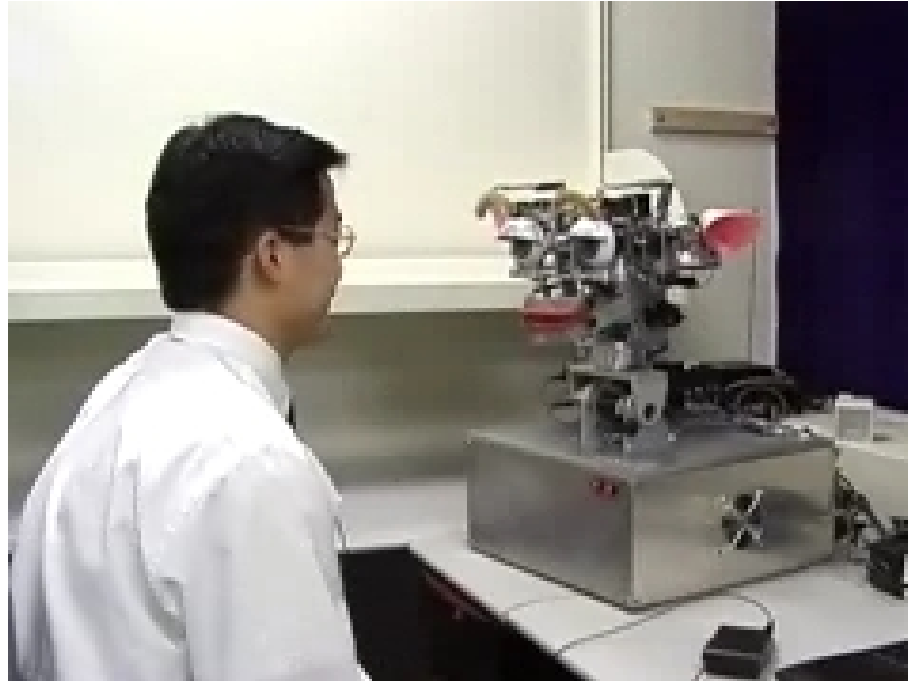
Given up trying to complete a task; there's a problem

Kismet



[Cynthia Breazeal, MIT, late 1990s]

Kismet



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Leonardo



TEACHING ROBOTS AS A COLLABORATIVE DIALOG

Robotic Life Group
MIT Media Laboratory

THE END

