

Designing human robot relationship

The author presents a view of robots becoming collaborative beings with humans in helping them with everyday tasks almost as though another human.

This reading presents an interesting psychological relationship between humans and machine. Machine being imbued with a human likeness to the extent where we view and treat them a living being confusing the boundaries.

It is strange to think that there was a code of conduct created which seems to be directed at robots, as though they could turn on us. Are machines viewed with such distrust. It seems as though there is great power associated with these machines and their ability to maybe one day replace us. The machine seem to hold a high role in our society , especially now with our total reliance on this built network. We have become heavily reliant on these machines as extensions of ourselves. Without them we risk destruction. Maybe this is why such laws were created in the first place, because they saw the potential of machines. In a way we live vicariously through machines yet somehow they live through us. It says a lot about us humans and how we give life or attach meaning to lifeless or non human things. Funny how there are rules created for robots and machine stating that they must be obedient and not cause harm to human. As though they had a mind of their own rather than having been created by a human. They will always be created, programmed structurally by a human, directly or indirectly. We are the mastermind behind robots. We are the ones that program them and decide how they will function. Though these machines will always remain machines, no matter how advanced and eery or uncanny we make them seem, they will never become alive. I think the rules were set in place to monitor what we choose to do with these machines whether we choose to use them for good or for bad, it can go both ways. This is more of an approach into the human psyche and how we use these extensions of ourselves to express parts of us. There is definitely a lot of potential for designing human like robots, since we seem to be so easily fooled by its lifelikeness. No matter if the robots are alive or not our imaginations will always find a way to breathe life into the inanimate and transform it into something that has the potential to really look at us.