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Robotics for Future Industrial Applications

Introduction to Industrial Robots & Challenges

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Coffee
Jazz
Wine



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Big Bang Theory
Microcontroller

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Website and Wifi

- Website for this week: <https://goo.gl/X5twgi>

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Summerschool 2017: Intelligent Motion Planning

We (Haoming and Philipp) are glad to be organizing a seminar on intelligent motion planning for industrial robots. This seminar will be held in week two of the summer school "Robotics for Future Industrial Applications" at the Cybernetics Lab of the RWTH Aachen University (14. august - 18. august). This page will provide you with lecture materials and introductions for the practicals. If you have any further questions, feel free to contact us via email.

Contact details of Haoming and Philipp



Day 1: Introduction

Lecture: Introduction to Industrial Robots and Challenges

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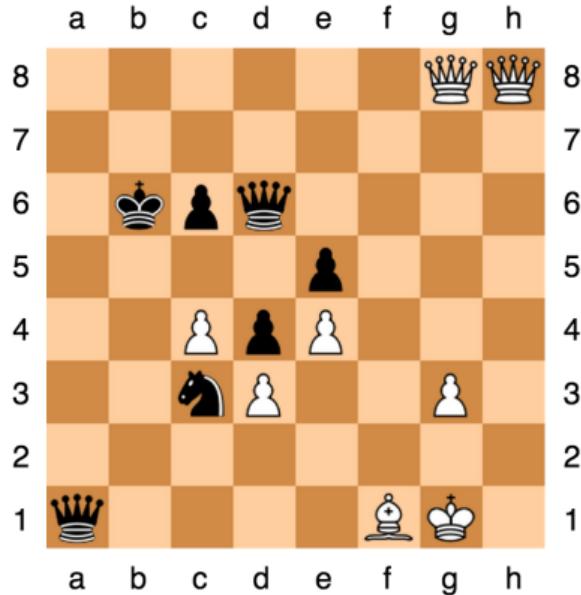
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Introduction

„In robotics, the easy problems are hard and the hard problems are easy“

S. Pinker. The Language Instinct. New York: Harper Perennial Modern Classics, 1994



Building a computer that defeats
Chess World Champion Gari
Kasparow: **Easy**

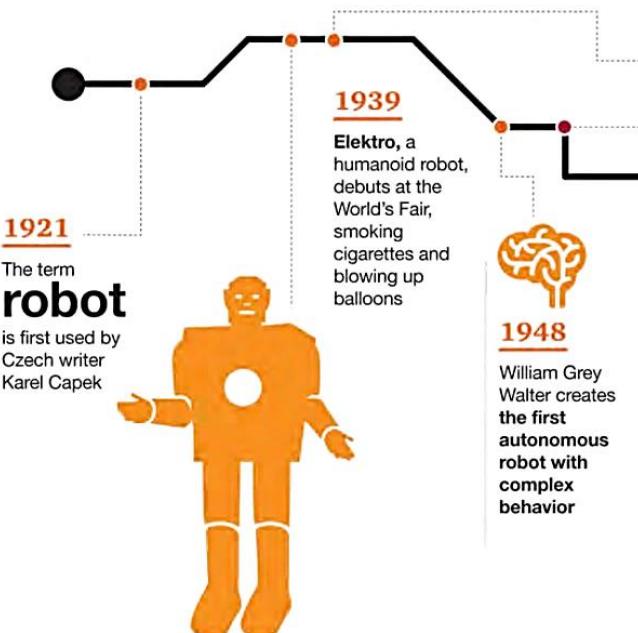


Build a robot with "healthy human
understanding" (i.e. motor skills):
Difficult

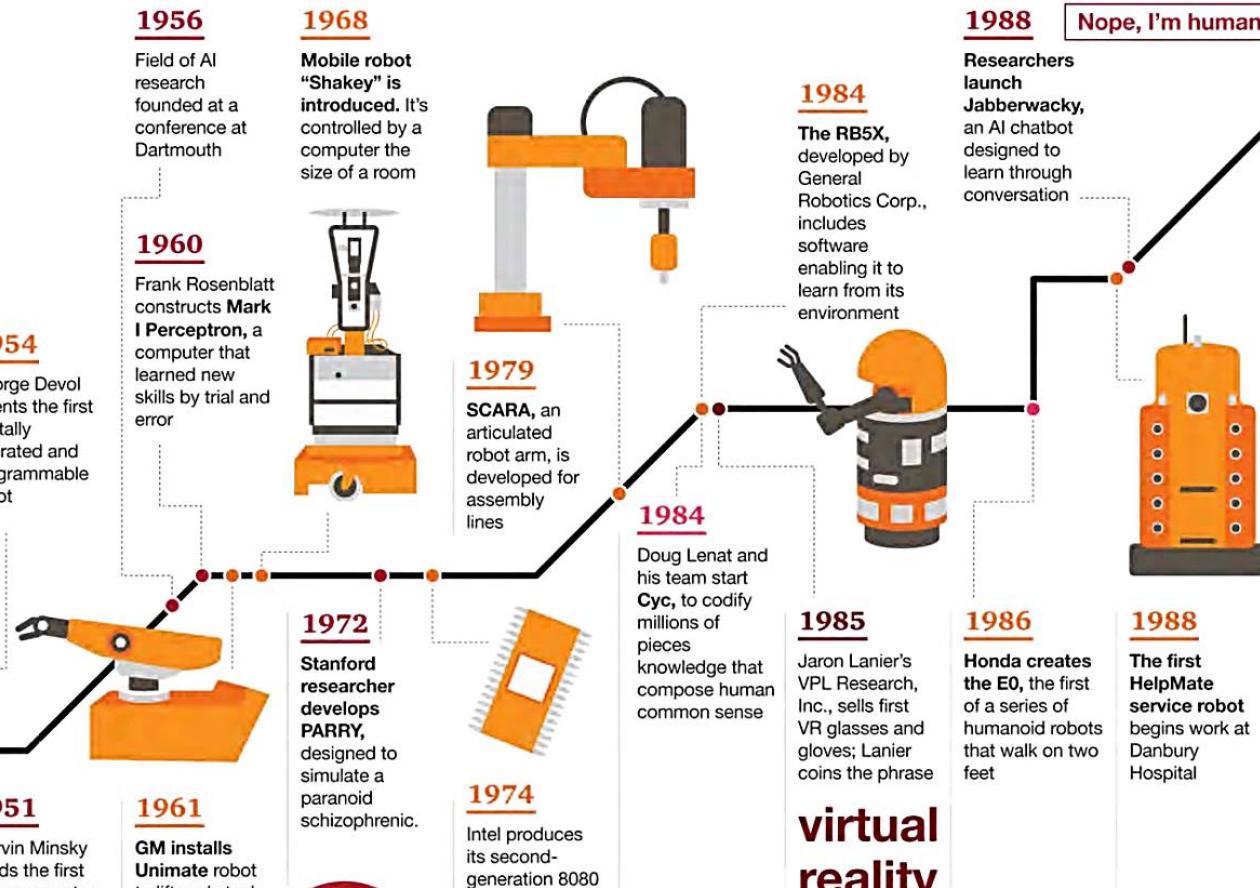
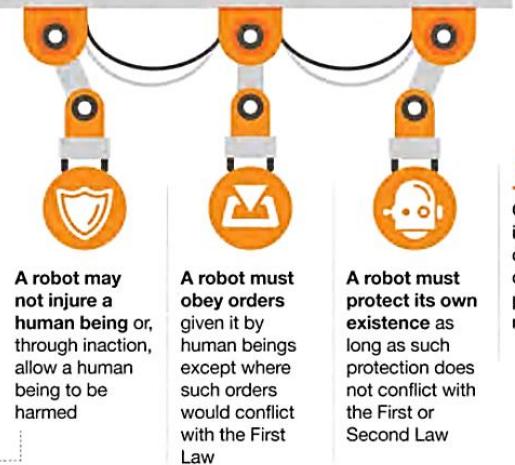


The rise of Robotics and AI

Fueled by advances in computing power and connectivity, the fields of robotics and artificial intelligence have grown rapidly

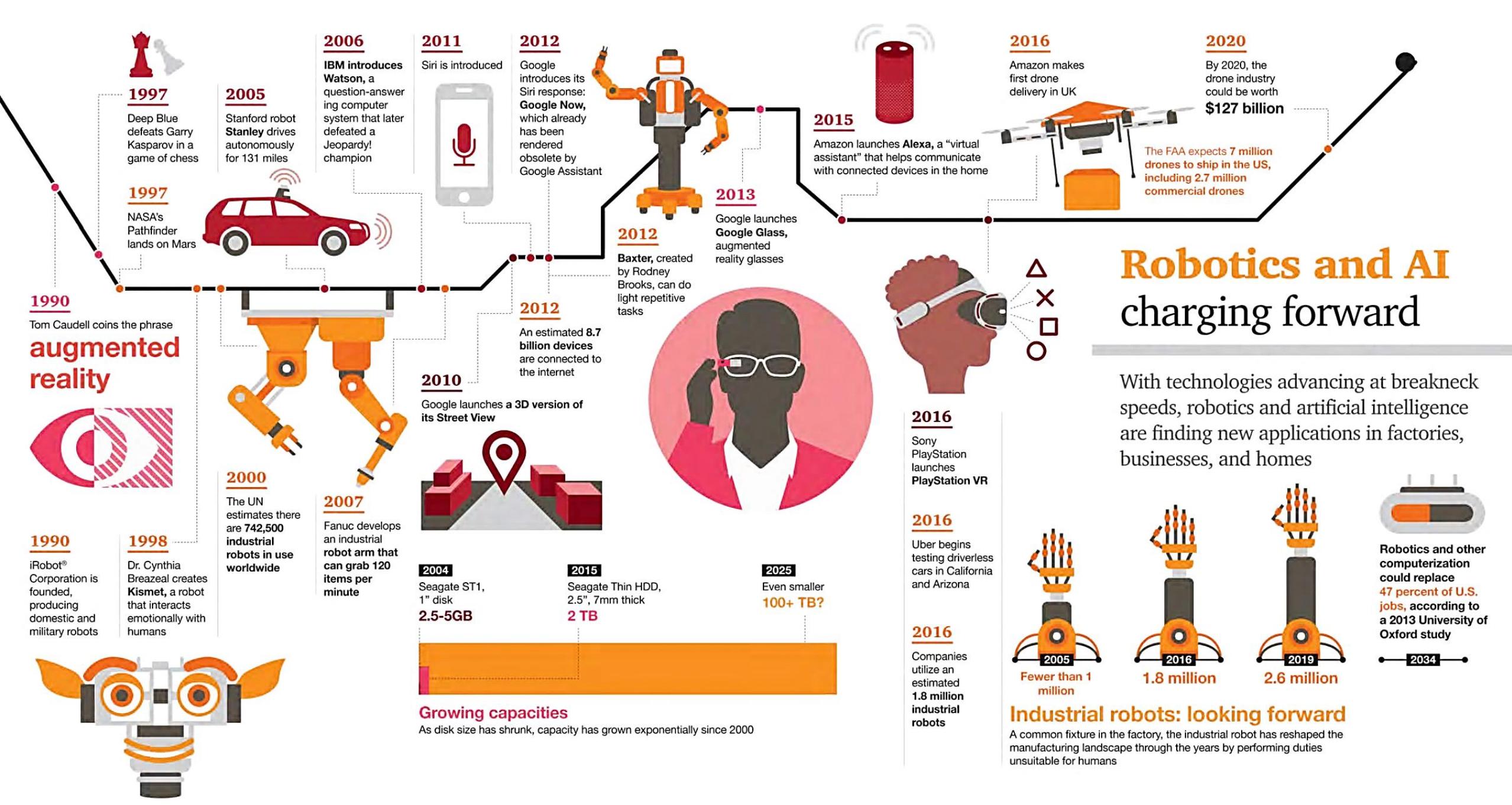


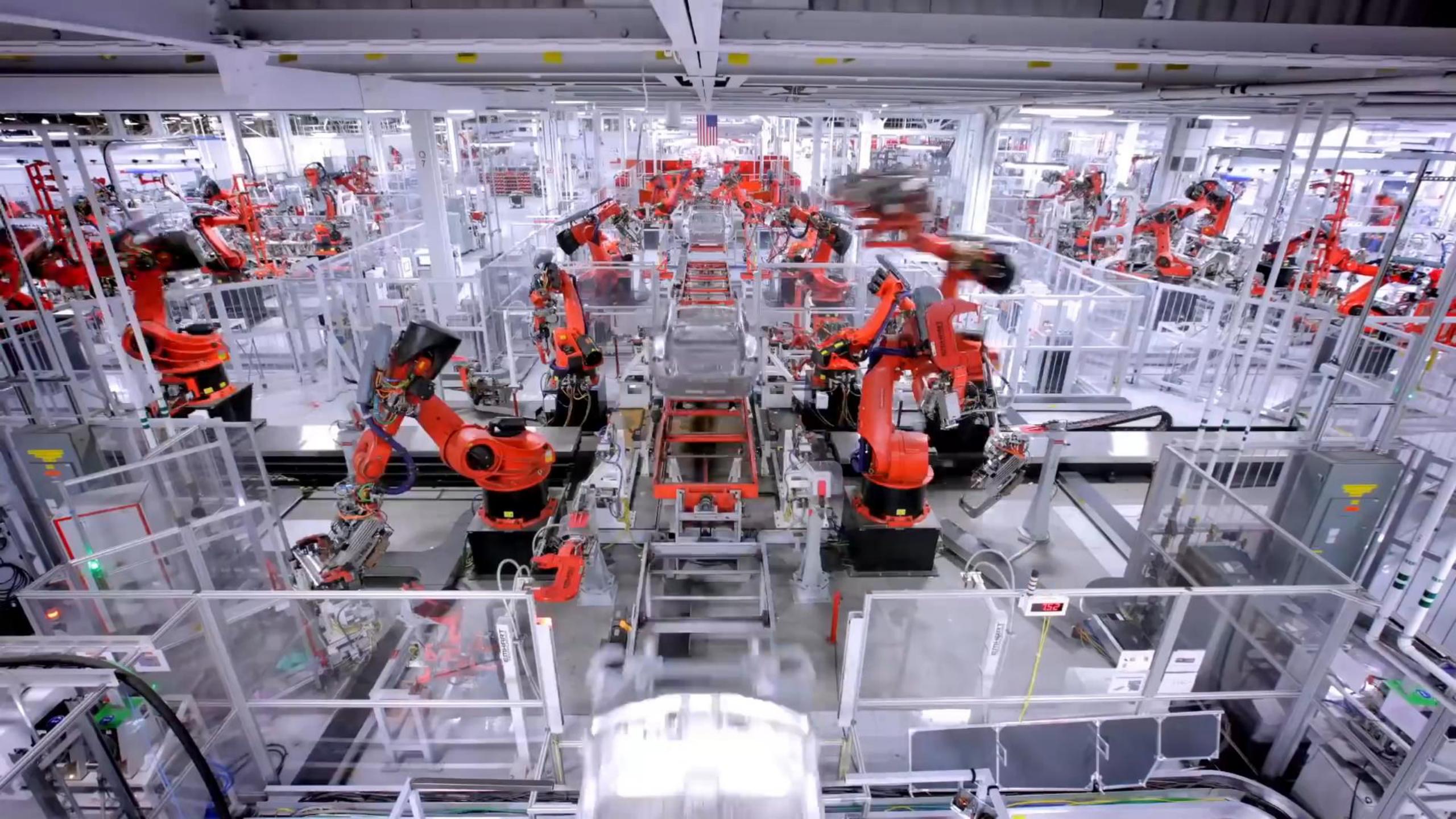
1941 Isaac Asimov formulates the Three Laws of Robotics:



Minimize and maximize
Shrinking disk sizes and exponentially growing capacity help fuel robotics and AI





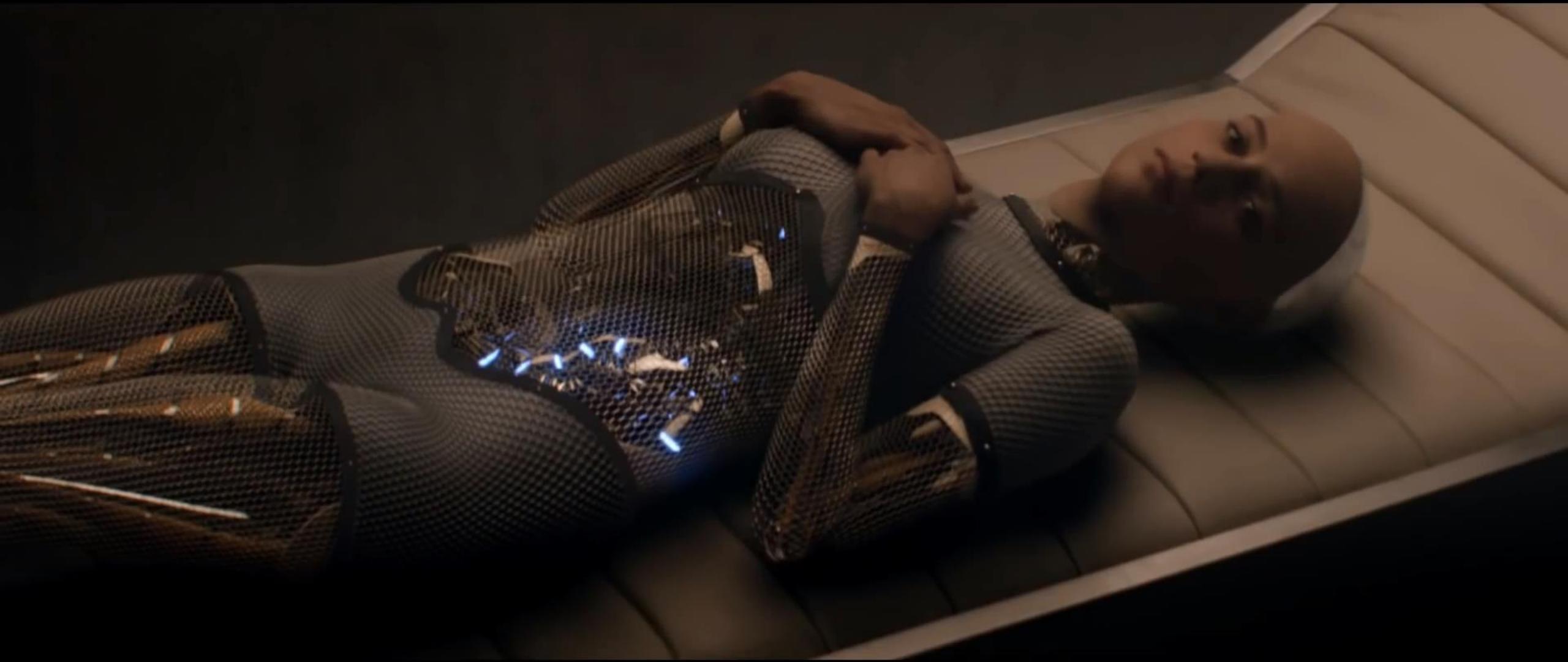


Traditional Industrial Robots

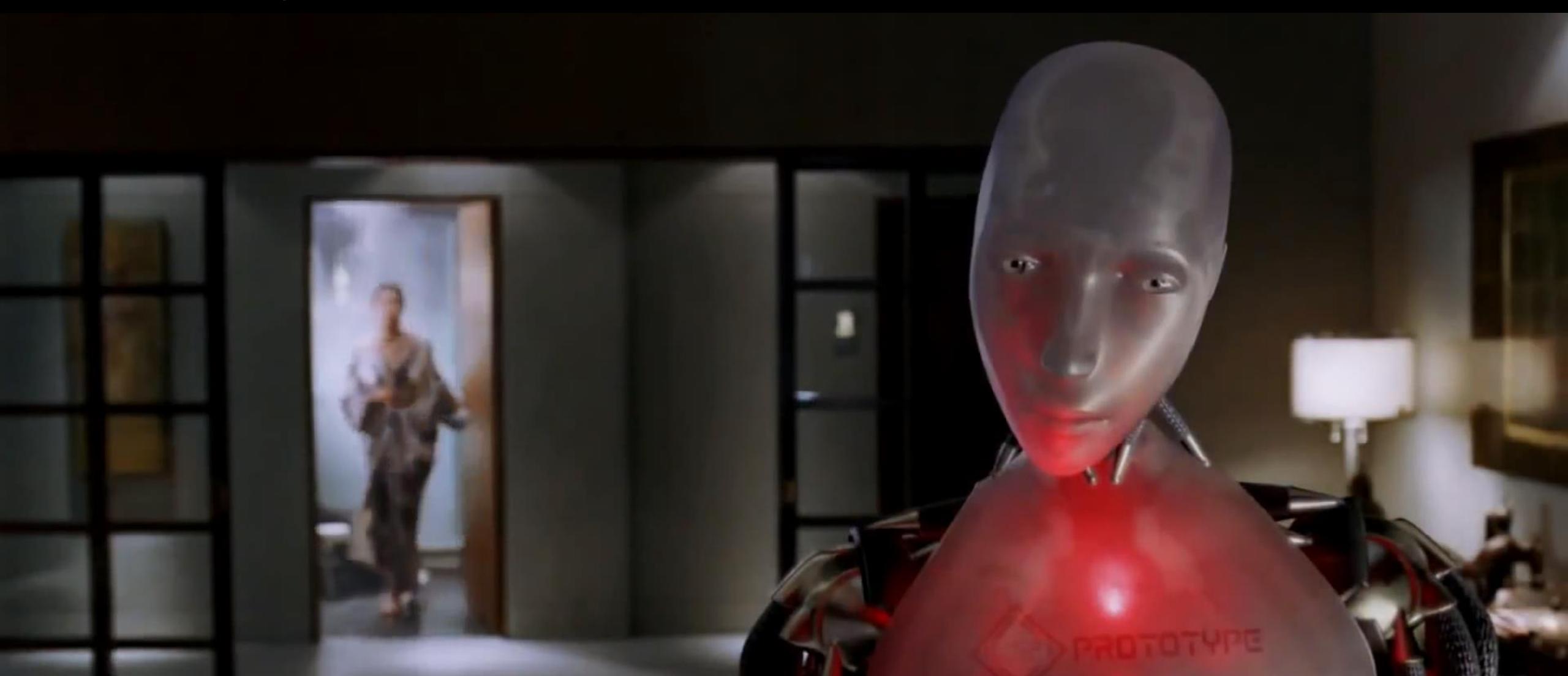
- ... high precision and velocity
- ... high programming effort (through experts)
- ... inflexible
- ... stationary
- ... high driven potential, protection fences necessary
- ... high integration/commissioning effort
- ... only isolated sensor integration, no environment detection



What do we really want?



What do we really want?



Introduction

Robots getting smart!



- Adaptability
- Motion Ability

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Robots getting smart!



- **Adaptability**
- Motion Ability

Adaptability for Industrial Robots

- Robot reacts to changes in the operating environment
- Auto-Configuration strategies
 - Self-Learning strategies

Introduction

Robots getting smart!



- Adaptability
- **Motion Ability**

Motion Ability for Industrial Robots

- Kinematics/Dynamics for advanced reconfigurable work cells
- Positioning
 - Navigation

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- **Interaction Ability**

Interaction Ability for Industrial Robots

Interaction with Operators, Robots and other Systems

- Interaction must be safe
- Interaction must be intuitive
- Interaction must be appropriate

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- Adaptability
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- Interaction Ability

- Manipulation Ability

Manipulation Ability for Industrial Robots

Handle material objects and tools

- Adaptability
- Robustness
- Accuracy
- Repeatability

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- Manipulation Ability
- Perception Ability
- Cognitive Abilities
- Decisional Autonomy

Perception Ability for Industrial Robots

Environment Sensing

- Choice of Sensing Modality
- Efficient Signal and Data Analysis
- Generating Maximum Information Output from the Data
- Guaranteed Safe Perception

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- **Cognitive Abilities**
- Decisional Autonomy

Cognitive Abilities for Industrial Robots

“In the context of manufacturing, the **greatest potential** is for functions that contribute to a **reduction of programming and configuration requirements** in deployed systems. There are clear benefits for small lot size systems in reducing the time and skill needed to reconfigure and adapt systems to new processes.”

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- Cognitive Abilities
- **Decisional Autonomy**

Decisional Autonomy for Industrial Robots

Increase level of responsibility in the control process

- Reducing energy consumption
- Increasing throughput
- Providing Context Aware Task Control

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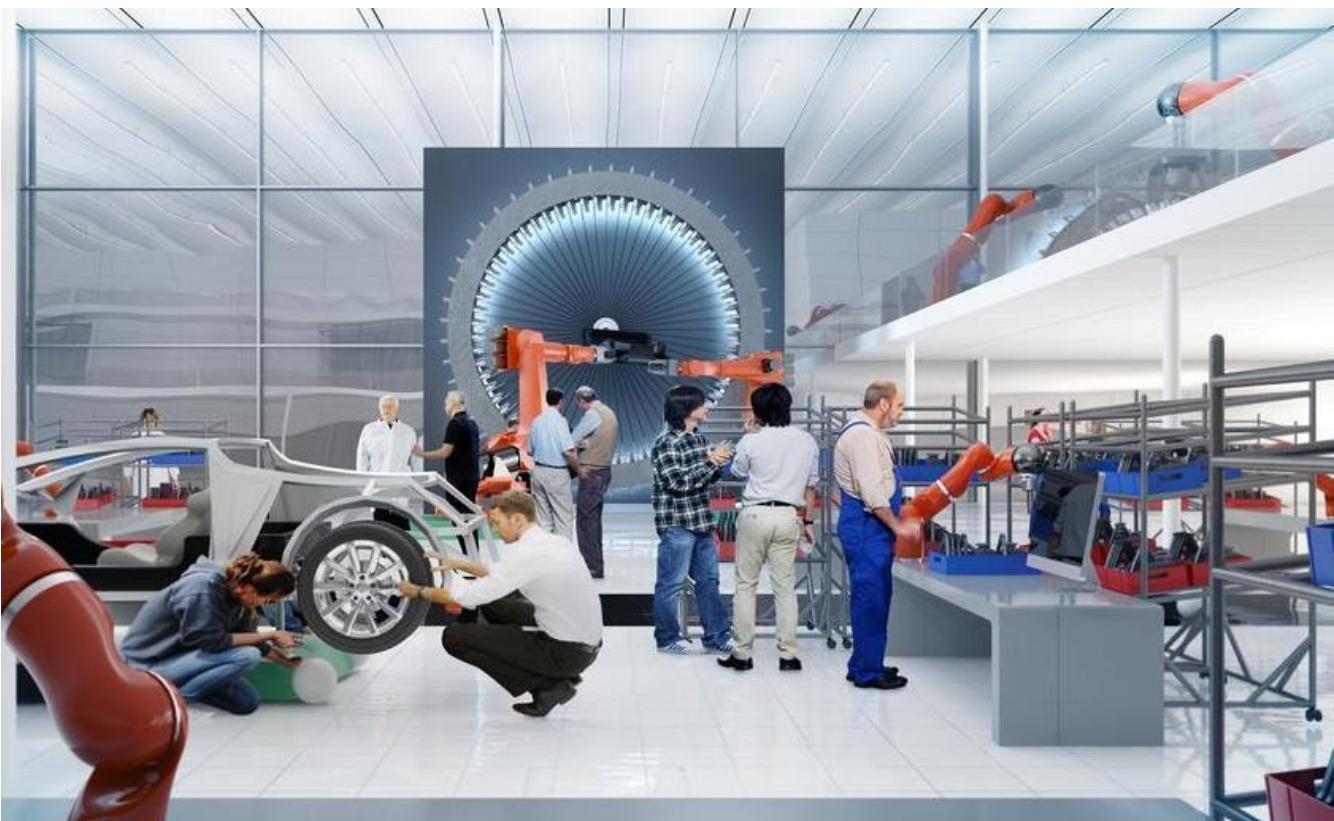


What will be the impact of
smart robots in the
manufacturing industry?

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Industrial Robots of the Future

- ... work together with humans
- ... do not pose a risk to humans
- ... interact intuitively with humans (multimodal)
- ... are easy to program
- ... possess a wide range of sensory abilities
- ... are flexible to use
- ... have a high degree of autonomy



This week topic

How can we implement
intelligence in industrials
robots?

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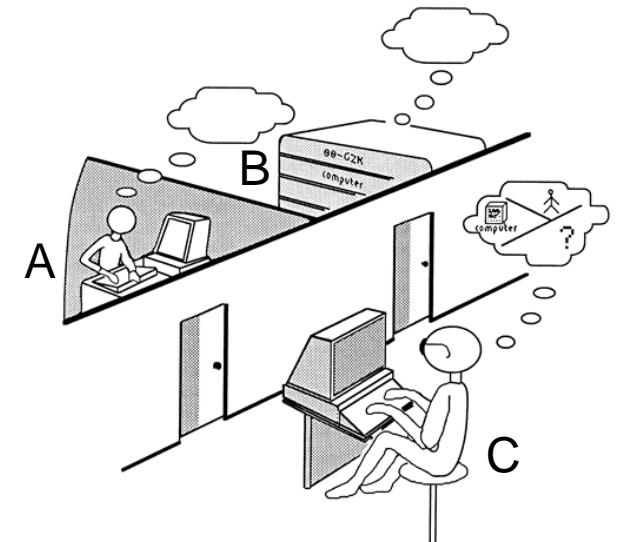
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What is Artificial Intelligence?

“Instead of trying to produce a programme to simulate the adult mind, why not rather try to produce one which simulates the child's? If this were then subjected to an appropriate course of education one would obtain the adult brain.”, Alan Turing

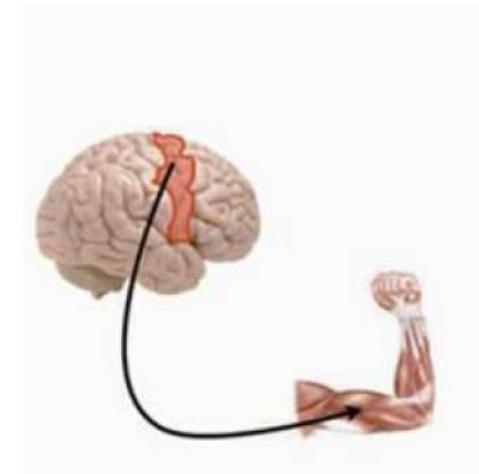
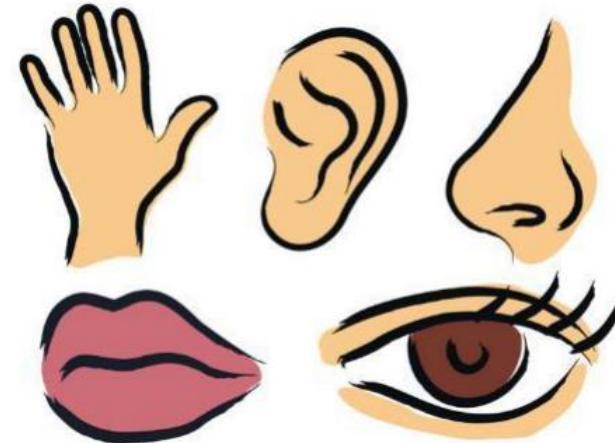


- The (simplified) **Turing Test** proves the existence of an AI
 - Human C talks with A and B
 - A and B try to convince that both are intelligent humans
 - If human C is not able to find out if A or B is a human, the Turing-Test is passed



What do we need for an intelligent machine?

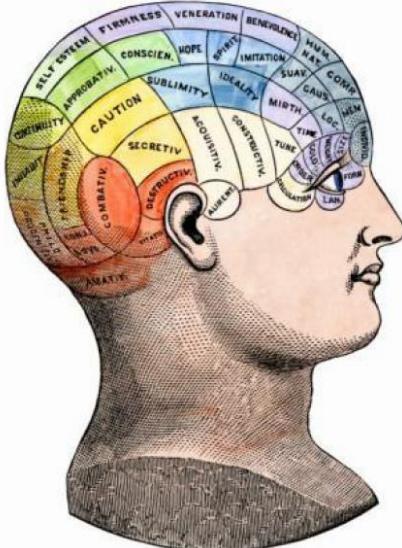
- Need for interpreting heterogeneous sensor values
 - (What does interpreting mean?)
- Need for choosing and acting complex actions



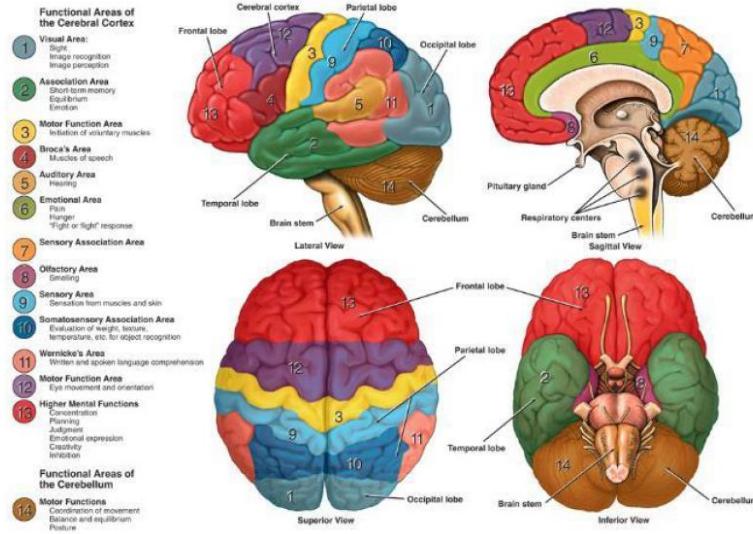
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How would you start to build an intelligent machine?

"We have a brain for one reason and one reason only: to produce adaptable and complex movements", Daniel Wolpert TED 2011 (Neuro-Scientist)



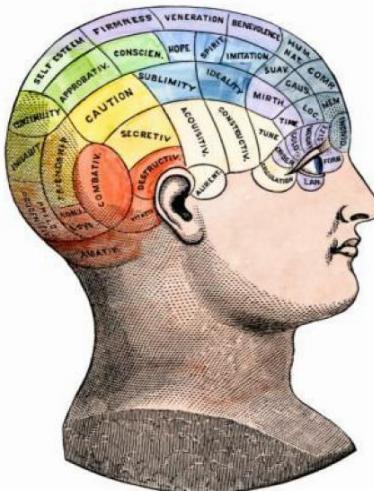
Anatomy and Functional Areas of the Brain



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How would you start to build an intelligent machine?

An algorithm for each component in the brain?



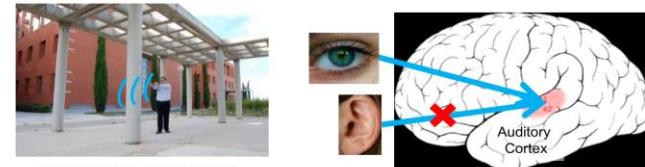
Standard technology



A single flexible algorithm?



Seeing with your tongue



[BrainPort; Martinez et al; Roe et al.]
adapted from A. Ng

End-to-End Learning
(z.B. Deep Learning)

Standard Cooking vs End-to-End Cooking



Standard

Robots as an Example for Intelligent Machines

The central questions of robotics

What is it all about?

MOTION

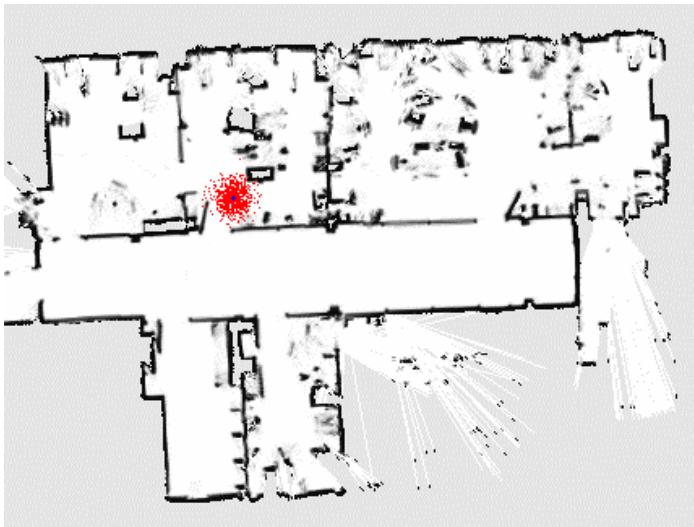


Robots as an Example for Intelligent Machines

The central questions of robotics

Three main question:

Where am I?



- Easy in Industrial Robotics
- Hard in Mobile Robotics

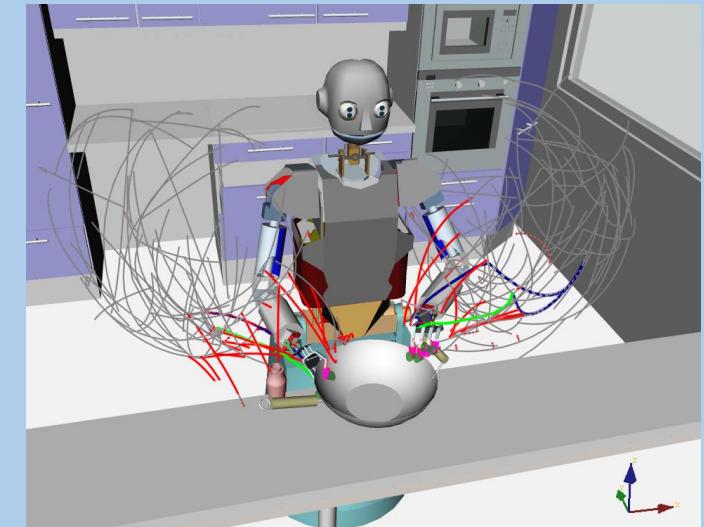
Where should I go?



- Often hand-engineered
- Or a Result of Task Planning

This weeks focus!

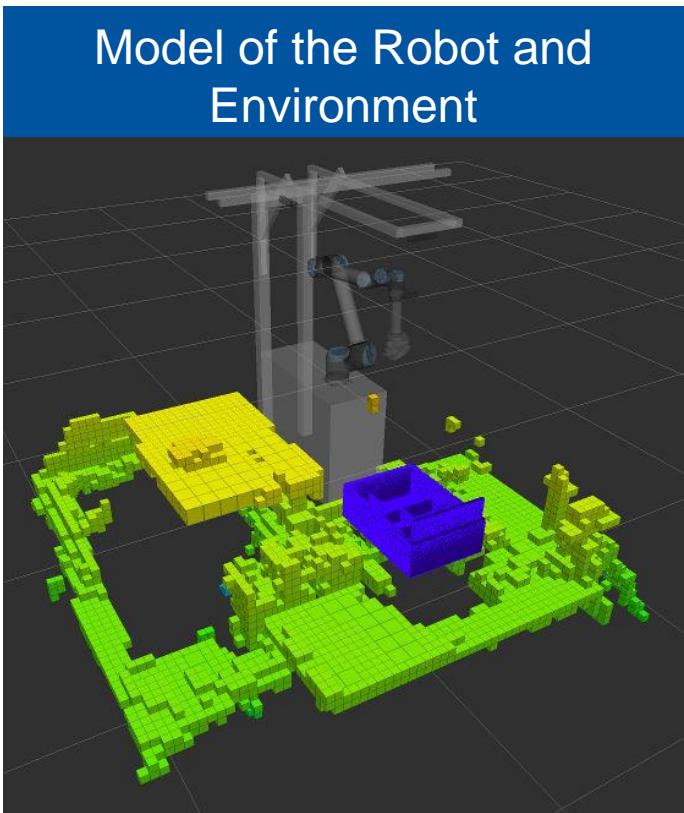
How do I go there?



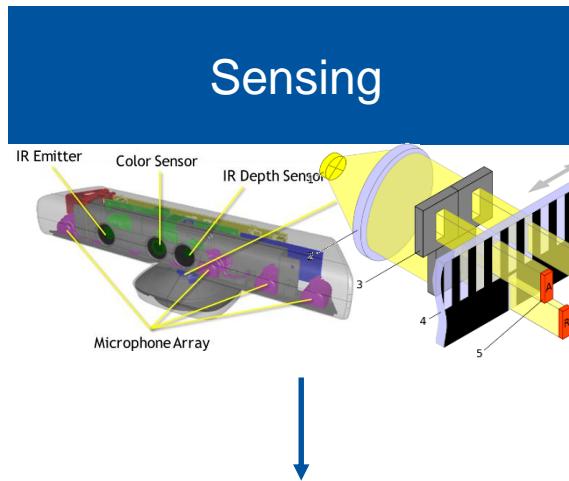
- Comparable Easy in Mobile Robotics
- Hard in Industrial Robotics

Robots as an Example for Intelligent Machines

How do I (the robot) go there?



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Motion Planning

Requires Goalstate:

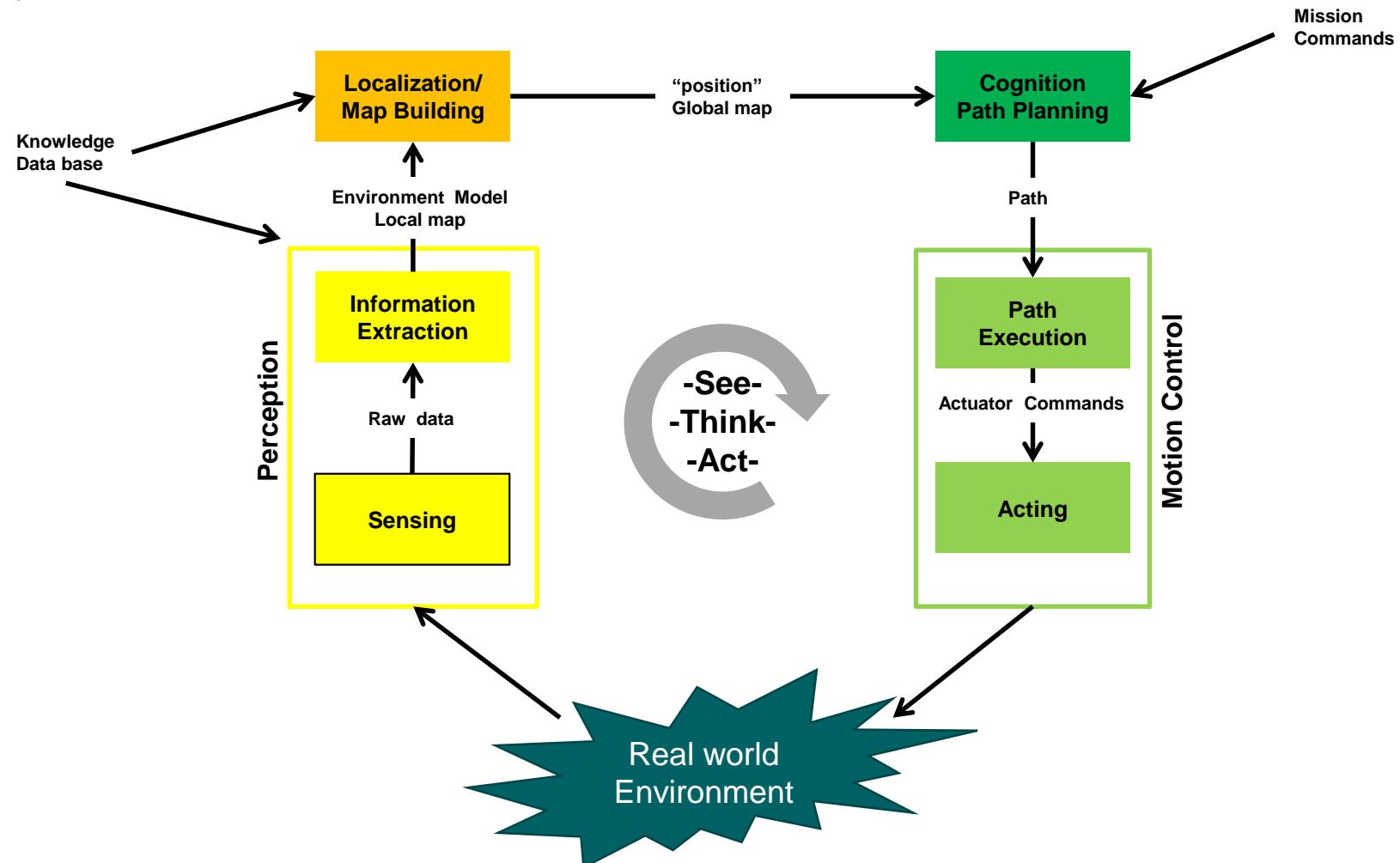
- i.e. hand-engineered
- i.e. via a cost function



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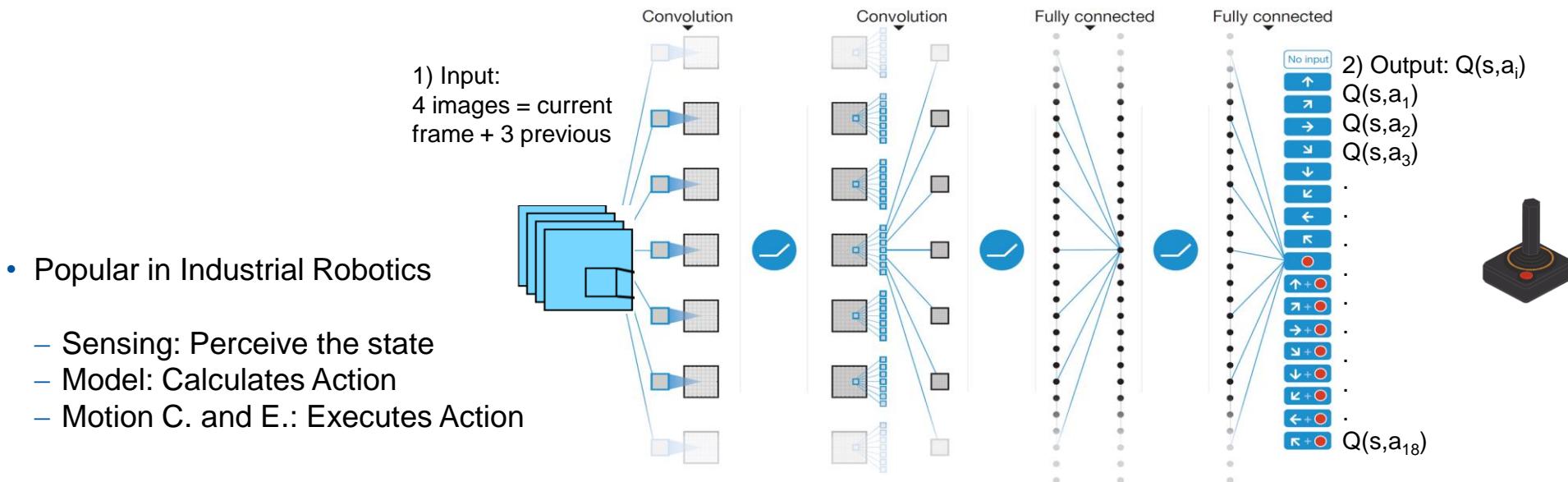
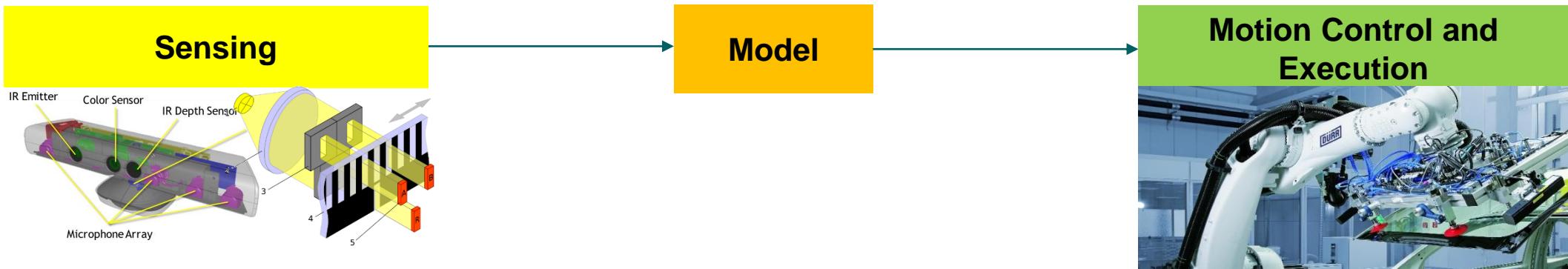
Robot-Architecture: See-Think-Act Cycle

- Popular in Mobile Robotics
 - See: Perceive the environment
 - Think: Path Planning
 - Act: Execute Path



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Robot-Architecture: End-To-End Control

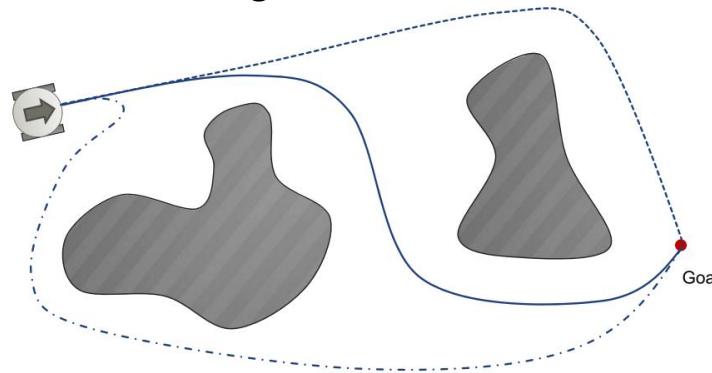


- Popular in Industrial Robotics
 - Sensing: Perceive the state
 - Model: Calculates Action
 - Motion C. and E.: Executes Action

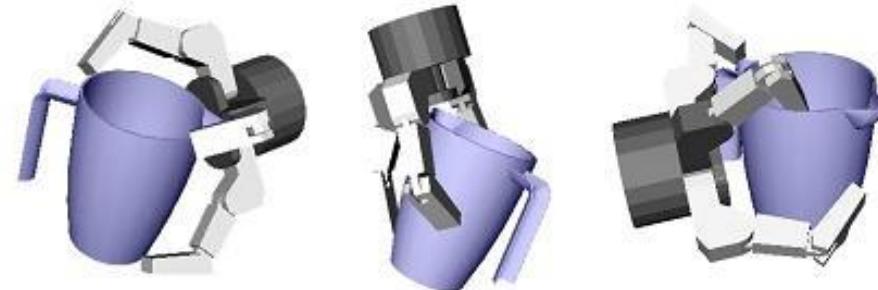
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Motion Planning

Path-Planning



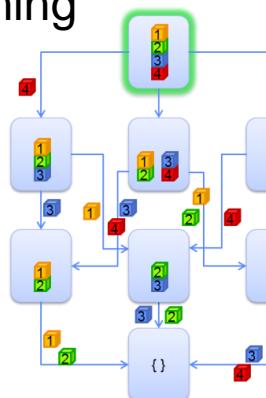
Grasp-Planning



Task-Planning

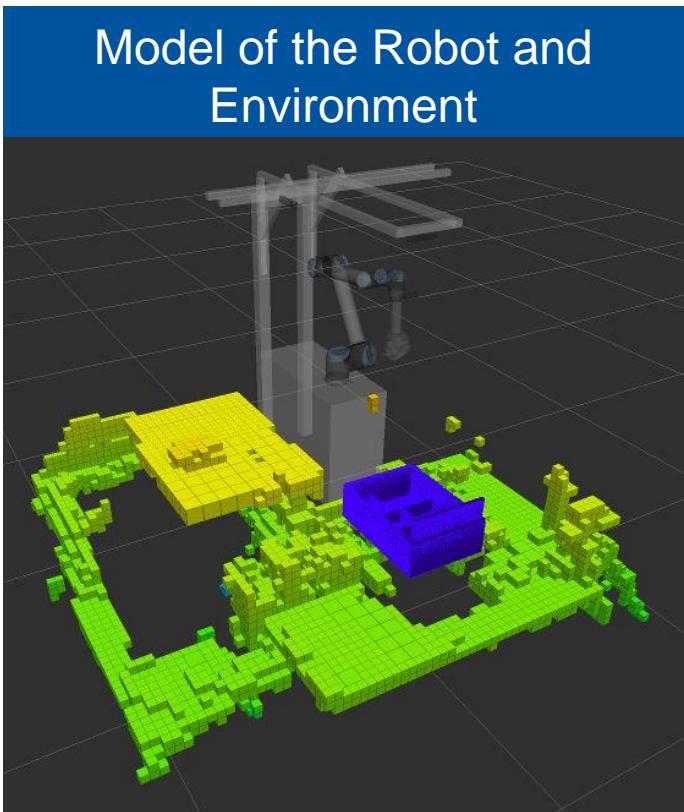


Assembly-Planning

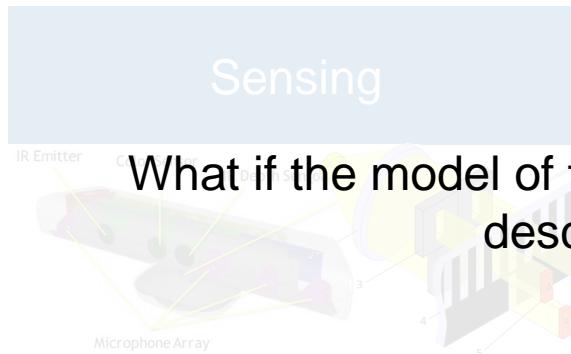


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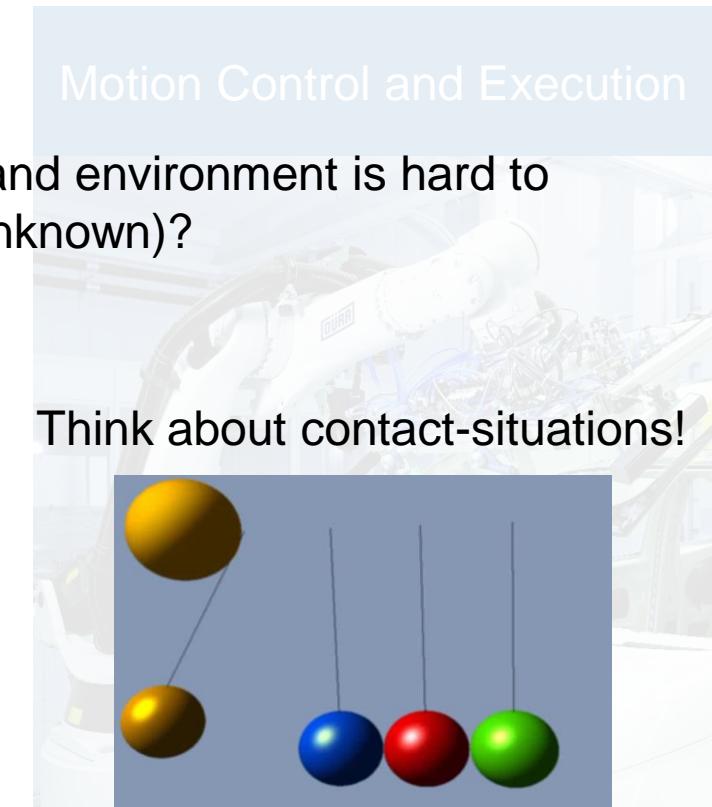
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Think about flexible objects!



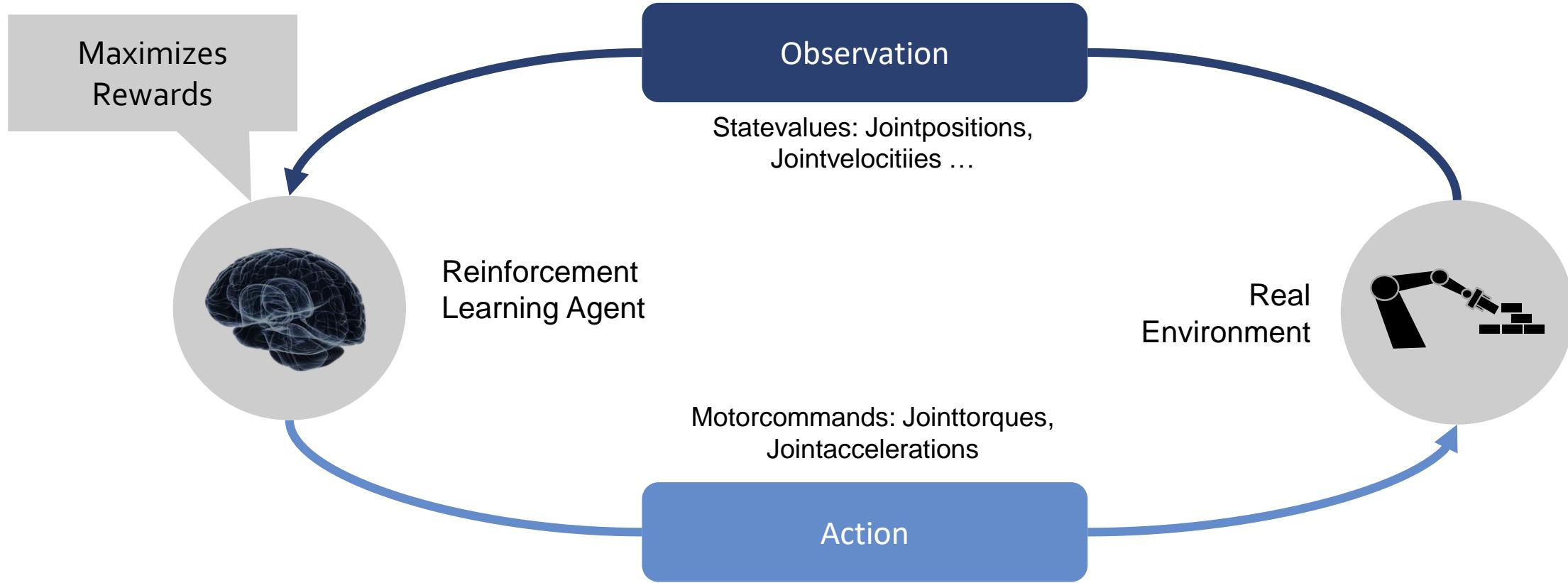
Think about contact-situations!

- Requires Goalstate:
- i.e. hand-engineered
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Robots as an Example for Intelligent Machines

What if the model of the robot and environment is hard to describe (or unknown)?

- Use an Reinforcement Learning Agent!

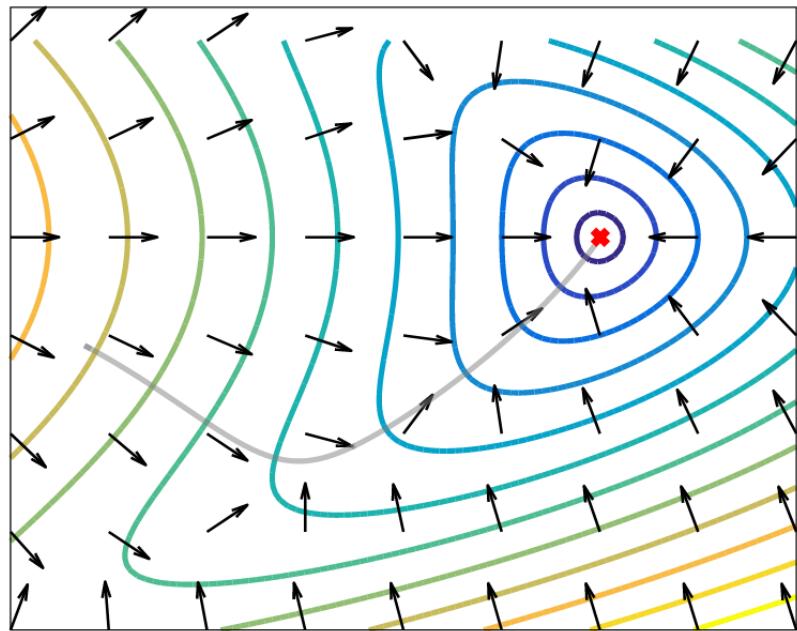


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What if the model of the robot and environment is hard to describe (or unknown)?

Closed-Loop

$$u = u(x)$$



Open-Loop

$$u(t)$$

Trajectory Optimization



- Global motion strategy (a “**policy**”)
- Robot chooses an appropriate action in each state

- Local motion strategy (a “**trajectory**”)
- Only valid in a specific region

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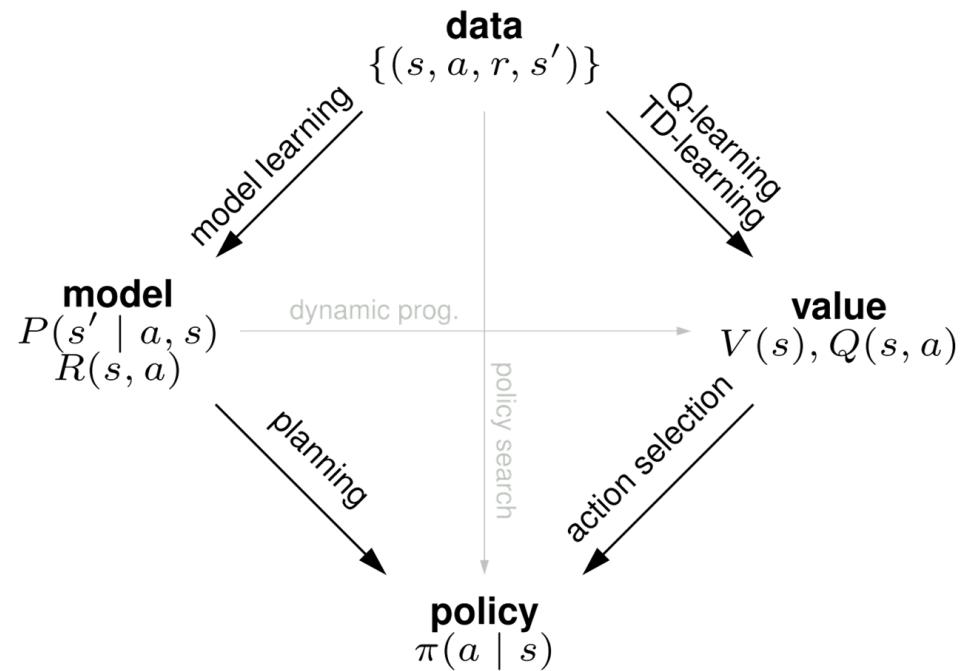
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Model-based RL:

- Learn to predict next state: $P(s'|s, a)$
- Learn to predict immediate reward $P(r'|s, a)$

model-based

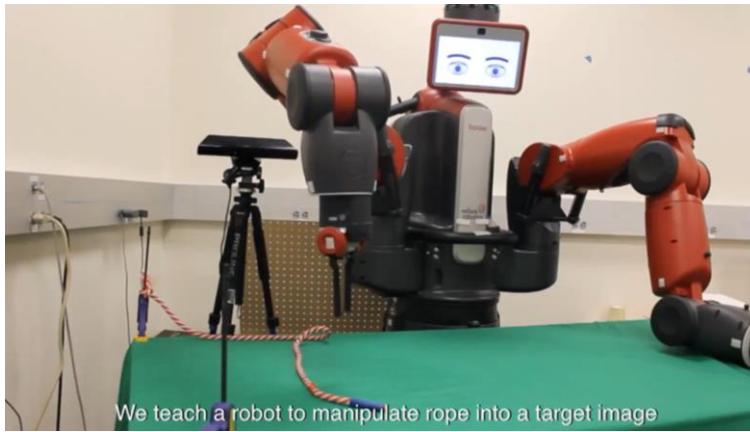


Model-free RL:

- Learn to predict value: $V(s)$ or $Q(s, a)$

s : state
 a : action
 r : reward

Reinforcement Learning with End-to-End Technology



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