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Technology has been both a negative and positive impact on the world. If we think about from the first movement of technology was agriculture. Agriculture was a positive impact to help humans make cultivation of land and the breeding of animals easier to provide food through technological machinery. The movement and development created humans both producer, consumers, and even pro-sumers.

Through the presentation of group 4 it was well predicted what the future might be within technology. But the question is “will the developing technology and future technology help humanity grow and move on to better things or will it make us more reliant on technology and deplete jobs?”

On my defense it’s neither a yes nor no because of the benefits of the new technology that is to be developed and created. The idea is also based on the social shaping the technology might bring. For example, the glasses with a computer system sound amazing but what affects will it have on the eyesight with lasers or how distracting it will be when driving or even walking. It may sound a bit more of the defects the products have rather than the positive aspects of how it makes life easier.

If we analyze a few advancements of technology we may say it has helped humanity move and grow in the business world, making communication faster and accessible. It has created the freedom to share our thoughts and art within an Internet platform for millions to see.

The upside of the new technology is the amount of jobs that may require a technical degree that by one aspect means the following generation will be educating themselves more but the downside is the machinery might take over physical of humans in cashiers. Although the transition is happening, it has affected many job opportunities such as movie ticketing, bank tellers, and pharmacy cashiers replacing them with kiosks or self-check cashiers.

The downside of these technological machinery is when they break down, they aren’t easy to fix in a day. It slows down the process of the consumer.

During my time working in Nike as a store associate I was required to work with a mobile device (itouch), which was used to make transactions and look into inventory. I enjoy convenient and easy it was while working but there were times where the device would die or the device wouldn’t read the credit cards slowing the transaction process and many costumers weren’t pleased with the wait.

In conclusion, technology doesn’t have nor a positive or a negative impact but more so on how society uses the new movement, towards what intentions. Technology will be created or developed with the purpose to better human life.