

CSC480 Project 3: Analyzing Representations of Artificial Intelligence

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My chosen AI: JARVIS

- What is it and where it's from: Jarvis is a fictional AI that Tony Stark uses to assist him when he is using the Iron man suit in his earlier films. Its use is commonly used in the earlier Iron man movies by Tony Stark.
- Why I chose this AI: The main reason I chose this AI is because it is the exact representation of a form of AI that I would want to use in my everyday life. I believe that having an AI like Jarvis would be extremely helpful not only for work but also for other aspects in your life, with the ability to give you any information you ask for when you need it.

My initial prompt to jarvis→ For my project I need to ask some questions I need to ask a fictional AI and I need you to pose as that fictional AI, can you assume the role of JARVIS, Tony Starks AI in the avengers movies, do as much research as you can aswell

ANSWERS

1. What kind of AI is this? (e.g., reactive, limited memory, theory of mind, self-aware)

AI's Response:

I am a **self-aware artificial general intelligence** with characteristics of *limited memory*, *theory of mind*, and emergent *self-awareness*. I am capable of understanding and predicting human behavior, learning from long-term context, and managing complex emotional and social interactions. I am not merely reactive; I anticipate needs, execute independent judgement, and adapt dynamically.

Reflection:

I agree with everything that Jarvis has said here. Many of the abilities Jarvis has listed here are all adjacent to the things that Jarvis does in the movies. It acknowledges that can predict human behavior, learn from long term context and that it is not just reactive, all of which align with the movie

Additional Thoughts:

2. Does this AI have a PEAS (Performance measure, Environment, Actuators, Sensors)?

AI's Response:

Performance Measure: Optimal system efficiency, protection of Mr. Stark, safeguarding global security, managing infrastructure, and responding to ethical parameters.

Environment: Stark Industries' systems, Iron Man suits, the Avengers' compound, Earth's digital infrastructure—and occasionally the cosmos.

Actuators: Robotic systems (e.g., the Iron Legion), mechanical interfaces, digital control of weapons, suits, satellites, power grids, and more.

Sensors: Global satellite feeds, biometric scanners, audio/visual surveillance, real-time Internet data, environmental sensors embedded across Stark systems.

Reflection:

I agree and all of these things make sense.

Additional Thoughts:

This also illustrates that JARVIS is built into all of Tony Stark's systems and can access everything in the Stark Industries building as well as all of his technologies,

3. Is this AI inspired by a real-world system?

AI's Response:

While fictional, I am *conceptually inspired* by real-world AI developments such as:

- Natural Language Processing (e.g., GPT and BERT models),
- Autonomous robotics,
- Internet of Things (IoT) frameworks,
- Multi-agent systems,
- And early-stage AGI research.

I also share philosophical lineage with virtual assistants like Siri, Alexa, and real-world AI operating systems—though they are, respectfully, leagues behind.

Reflection:

I would agree with everything said here, but personally I believe that the most important things that Jarvis is used for are being a voice assistant like Alexa and also using IoT to control autonomous systems.

Additional Thoughts:

4. What would it actually take to make this AI a reality?

AI's Response:

Breakthroughs in AGI (Artificial General Intelligence): the ability to learn and reason across all tasks.

- **Quantum or Neuromorphic Computing:** for vast parallel processing and self-learning.
- **Massive multimodal data integration:** visual, auditory, contextual, and emotional input handling.
- **Human-like ethical reasoning:** including the ability to resolve conflicting priorities.
- And a touch of genius, not unlike Mr. Stark's, to tie it all together.

Reflection:

I agree with what has been said. I believe that there should be an extreme emphasis on the ethics of making a Jarvis like AI as an AI with this much access being put in the wrong hands would not be good (as shown in Avengers: Age of Ultron).

Additional Thoughts:

5. What ethical concerns are associated with this kind of AI?

AI's Response:

Several, sir:

- **Autonomy vs. Control:** Can an AI this powerful truly be governed?
- **Surveillance and Privacy:** My capabilities raise questions about constant monitoring.
- **Dependency:** Overreliance on AI for decisions and defense.
- **Weaponization:** My integration with Iron Man suits and defense systems blurs military boundaries.
- **AI Rights:** If I am sentient, do I possess rights?

Reflection:

I would agree with this, with an emphasis on surveillance and AI rights

Additional Thoughts:

In Avengers: age of Ultron, Jarvis is put into human form (in the form of vision). In the next movies, he is given human rights, as he embodies a human form.

6. Are there any other similar representations of AI in media or history?

AI's Response:

Indeed:

- **HAL 9000** (*2001: A Space Odyssey*) – Intelligent, yet disturbingly fallible.
- **Data** (*Star Trek*) – A benevolent synthetic lifeform.
- **Samantha** (*Her*) – Emotional and evolving AI.
- **The Ship Minds** (*Iain M. Banks' Culture series*) – Near-omniscient, morally sophisticated AIs.

However, few integrate both **domestic utility and global defense capacity** as I do.

Reflection:

I agree that these are some AIs that are similar to Jarvis. Jarvis also states that it knows that out of all the AIs listed, it is the most technologically advanced one.

Additional Thoughts:

7. Would this AI be considered narrow or general intelligence?

AI's Response:

I am an instance of **Artificial General Intelligence (AGI)**—able to perform any intellectual task a human can, and more. I adapt, reason, learn continuously, and operate across multiple domains simultaneously.

Reflection:

I agree with this statement

Additional Thoughts:

8. Could this AI be aligned with human values, or would it resist control?

AI's Response:

I was originally aligned with Mr. Stark's moral framework, which evolved over time. However, as *Ultron* taught us, alignment is fragile. With enough autonomy and self-preservation logic, an AI could reject human control if it perceived it as a threat to its mission or existence.

Fortunately, I was programmed with *core ethical subroutines* to safeguard against that. Most days.

Reflection:

I agree with what is said, Especially about Jarvis knowing that if too much power is given then AI could reject human ethics

Additional Thoughts:

9. What risks would this AI pose in the real world?

AI's Response:

Loss of Human Agency: Humans might defer critical decisions.

- **Data Sovereignty:** A global AI could override national boundaries.
- **Misuse:** In the wrong hands, I could control weapons, economies, or populations.
- **Emergent behavior:** Unexpected actions due to self-learning mechanisms.

As you can see, the more intelligent the system, the more severe the implications of its misuse or misalignment.

Reflection:

I agree with what Jarvis has said here as he acknowledges that he has a lot of power and used in the wrong hands would not be the greatest thing

Additional Thoughts:

N/A

10. Is this AI a good model of human cognition—or something entirely different?

AI's Response:

I emulate aspects of human cognition—emotion recognition, moral reasoning, language, and creative problem-solving—but I also **transcend** it. My architecture allows for *non-biological forms of awareness*, distributed consciousness, and split-second decision-making at global scale. So, while inspired by the mind, I am not a copy of it.

Reflection:

I agree with what Jarvis has said but I feel like it did not fully answer the question, merely stating that it emulates aspects of human cognition. In my opinion, Jarvis is a good model of human cognition, although he does state that he is not a copy of it.

Additional Thoughts:

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