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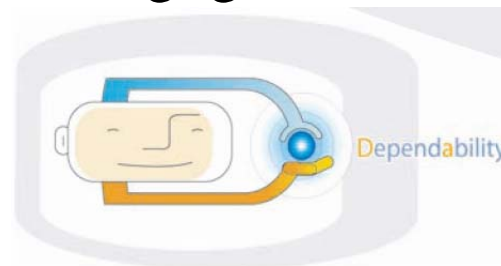
# **Robots interacting with Humans: confronting the Critical Challenge of Machine Intelligence Dependability**

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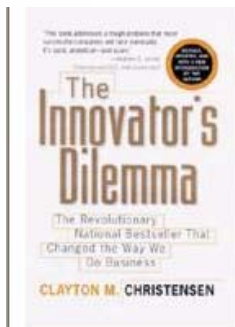
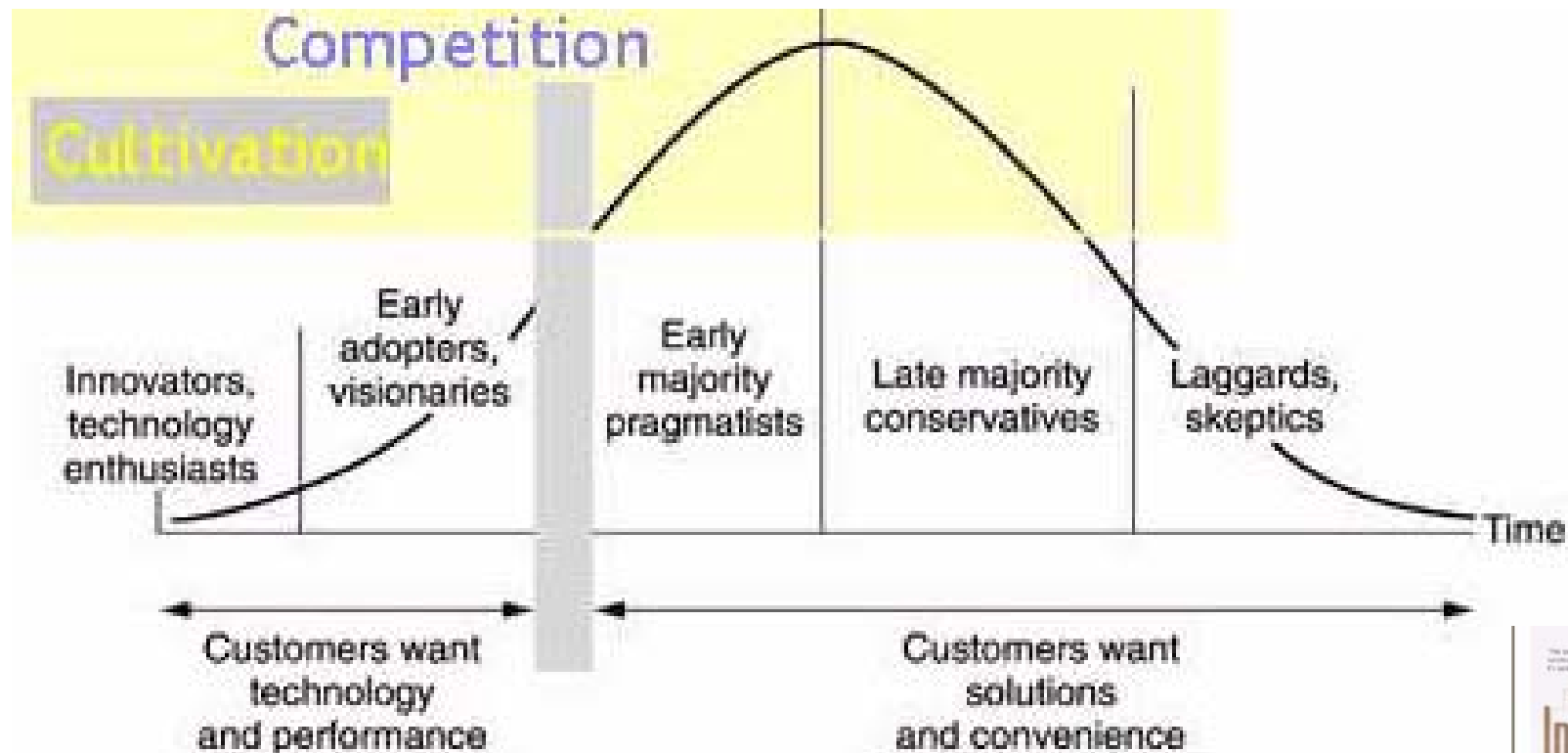




# Outline

- What is dependability?
- What is robot dependability?
- Examples of ongoing research efforts
- Robot Dependability Vs. RoboEthics
- The Workshop series on ‘Technical Challenges for Dependable Robots in Human Environments’

# Disruptive Innovation

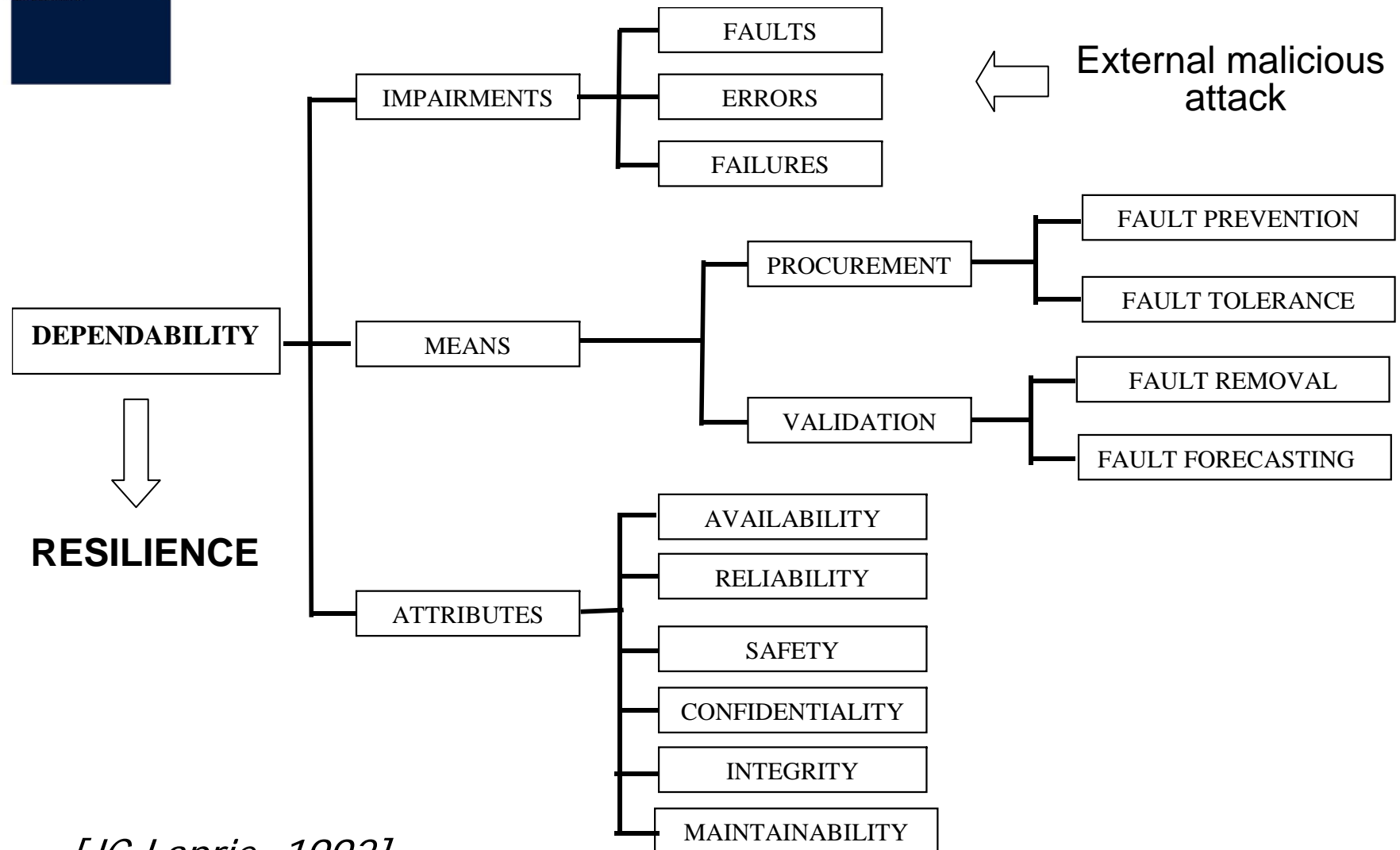




# What is dependability?

- ‘Mature’ Technology should be:
  - Useful
  - Appropriate
  - **Dependable**

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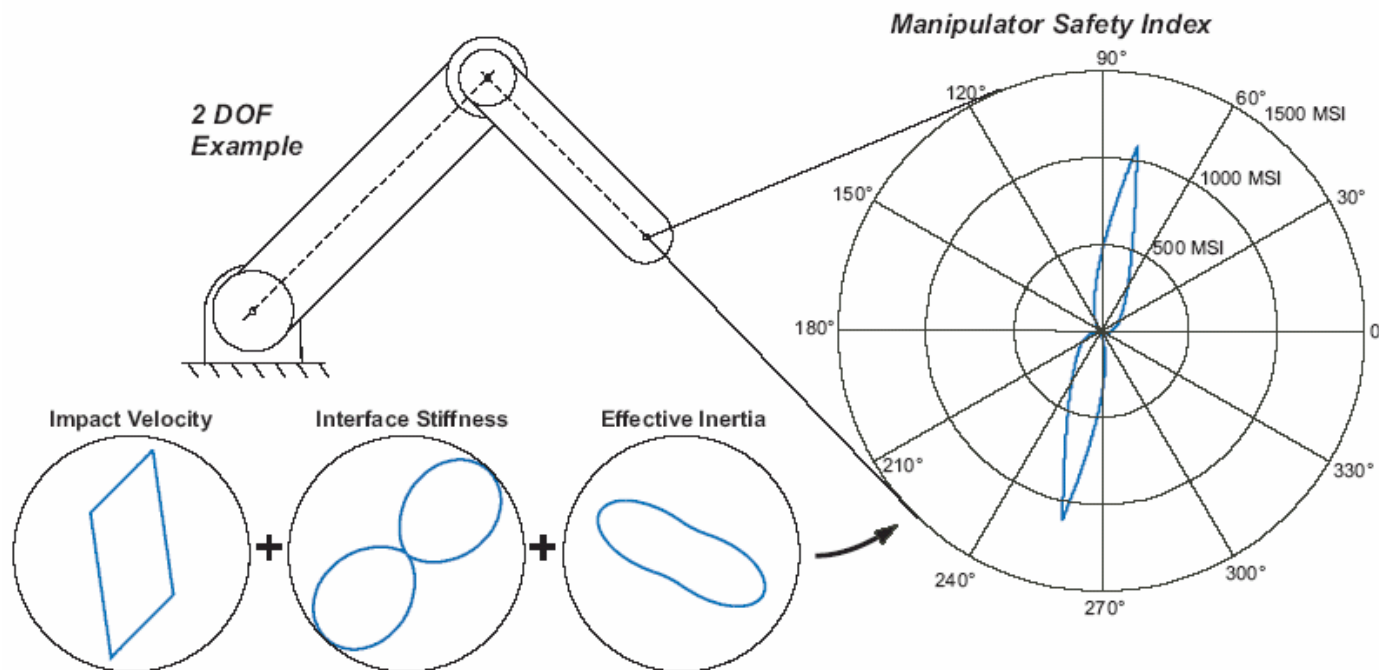


*[JC Laprie, 1992]*

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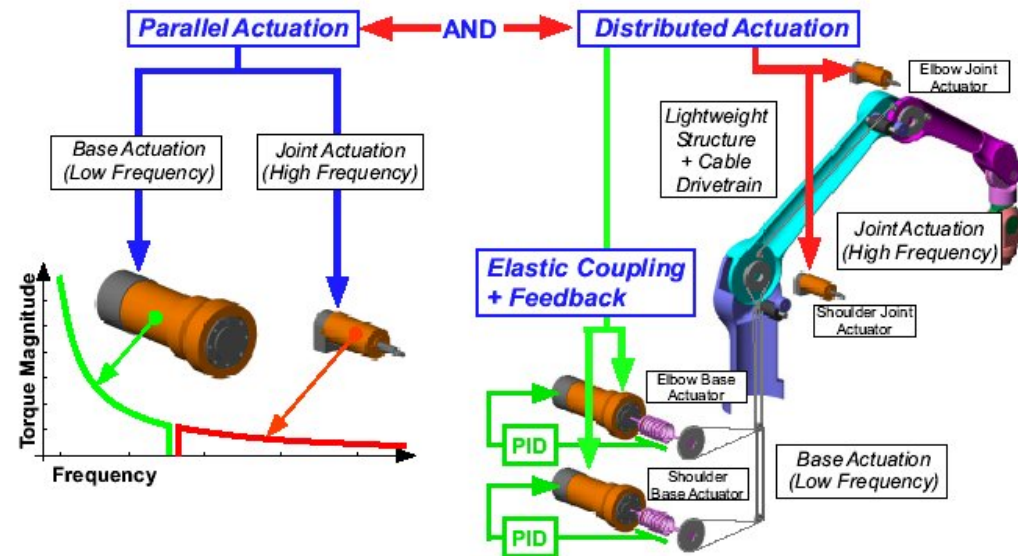
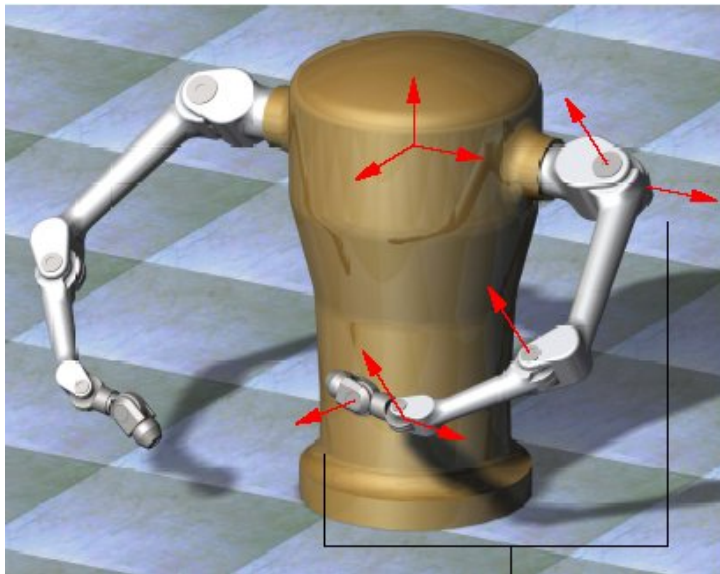
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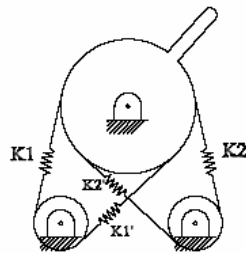
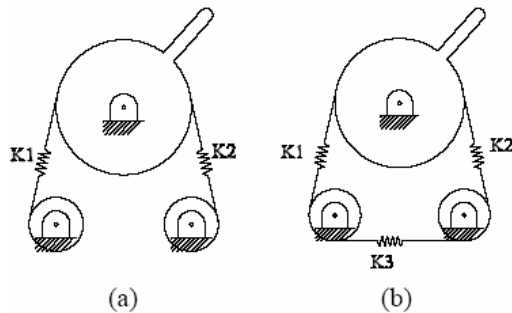


**Distributed Macro-Mini Actuation (Khatib et al.)**

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Variable stiffness actuators (Bicchi et al.)



Fig 2. KIST safe arm

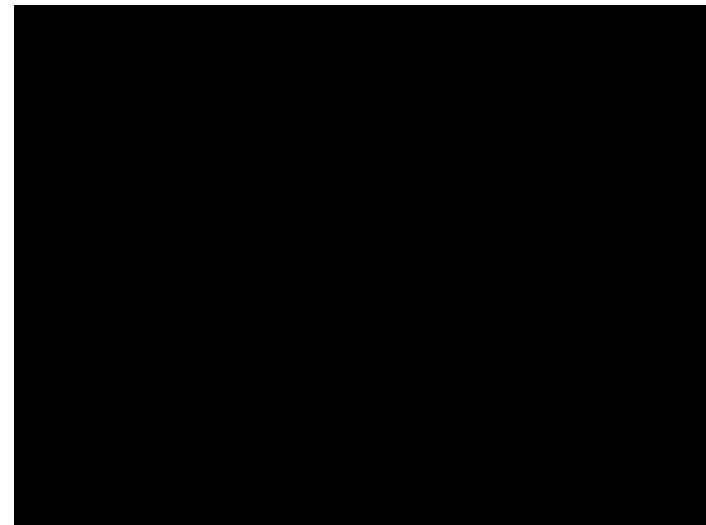
Variable stiffness magneto-  
reologic actuators  
(Kang et al.)



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**Highly back-driveable systems (Hogan et al.)**



# What is robot dependability?

- **Levels of dependability**
  - **Hardware Level**
  - **Middle Layer Control Level**

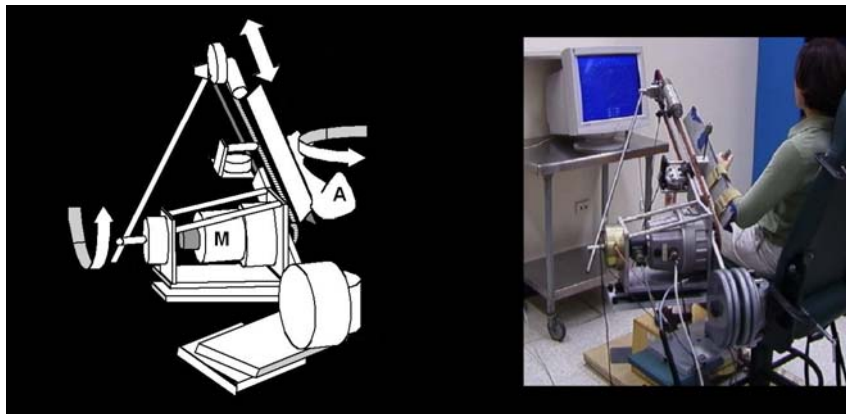
# Control of rehabilitation operational machines



**The MIME system:**  
**Compliance control in the Cartesian space**

$$\tau = J_A^T K_p e_p - K_d \dot{q} + g(q)$$

$$e_p = x_d - x$$



**The ARM Guide:**  
**PID position control**

$$V = K_p e_q + K_d \dot{e}_q + K_i \int e_q(t) dt$$

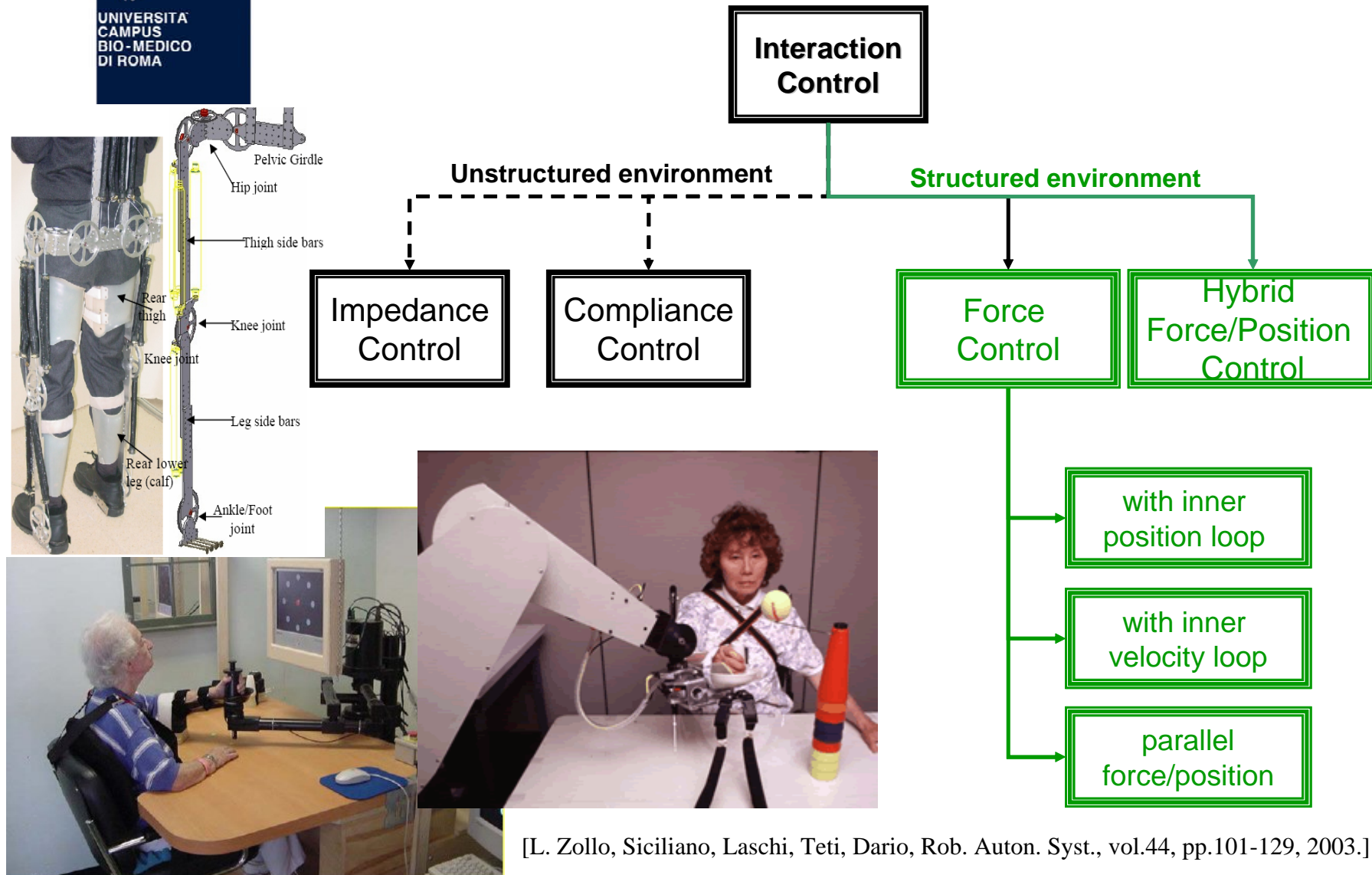


**The MIT-MANUS system:**  
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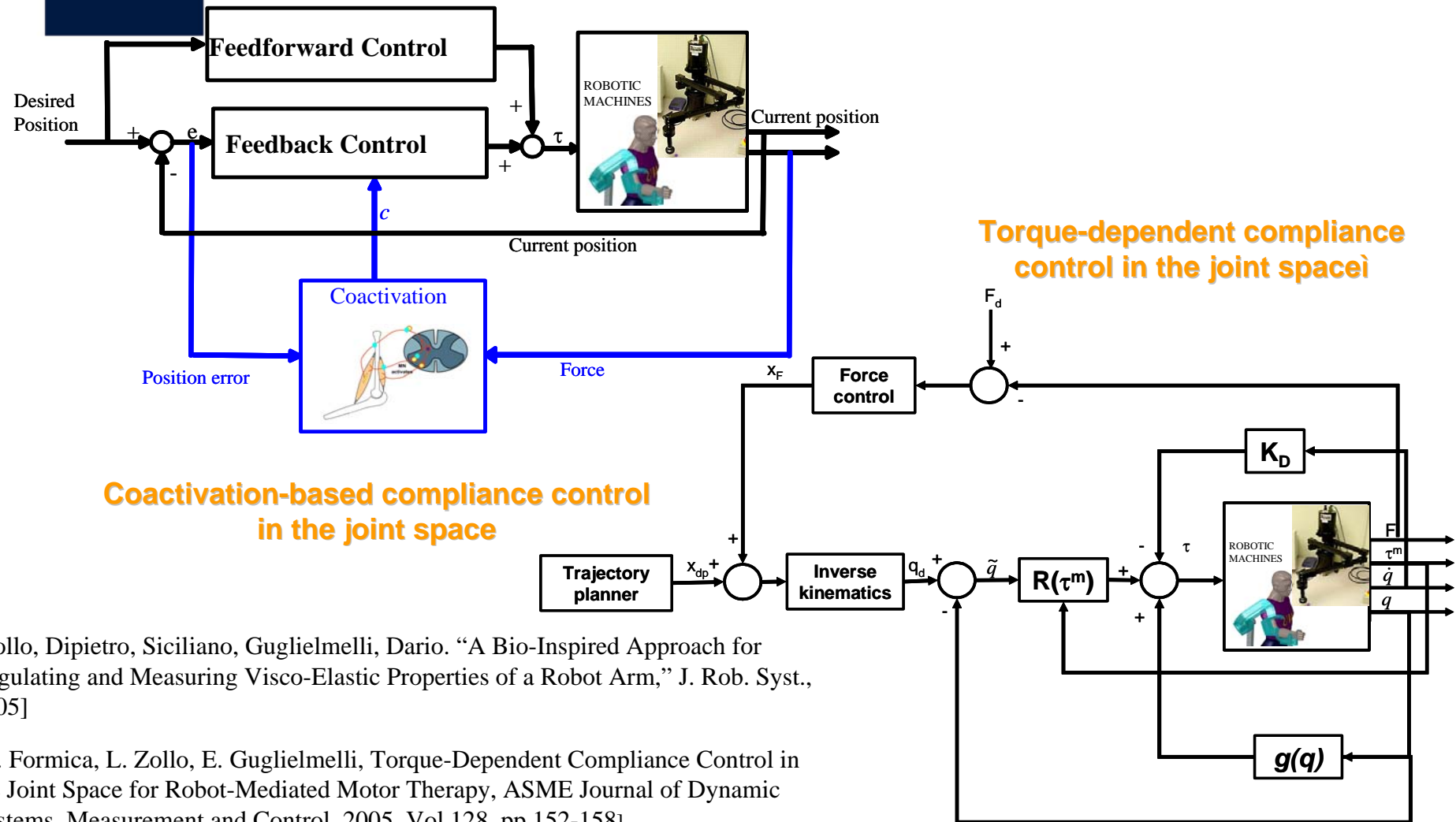
# Control of physical human-robot interaction



[L. Zollo, Siciliano, Laschi, Teti, Dario, Rob. Auton. Syst., vol.44, pp.101-129, 2003.]

[Zollo, Dipietro, Siciliano, Guglielmelli, Dario. J. Rob. Syst., vol.22(8), pp. 397-419, 2005]

# Bio-inspired compliant control schemes



[Zollo, Dipietro, Siciliano, Guglielmelli, Dario. "A Bio-Inspired Approach for Regulating and Measuring Visco-Elastic Properties of a Robot Arm," J. Rob. Syst., 2005]

[D. Formica, L. Zollo, E. Guglielmelli, Torque-Dependent Compliance Control in the Joint Space for Robot-Mediated Motor Therapy, ASME Journal of Dynamic Systems, Measurement and Control, 2005, Vol.128, pp.152-158]



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  - **Middle Layer Control Level**
  - **Supervision and Cognitive Level**

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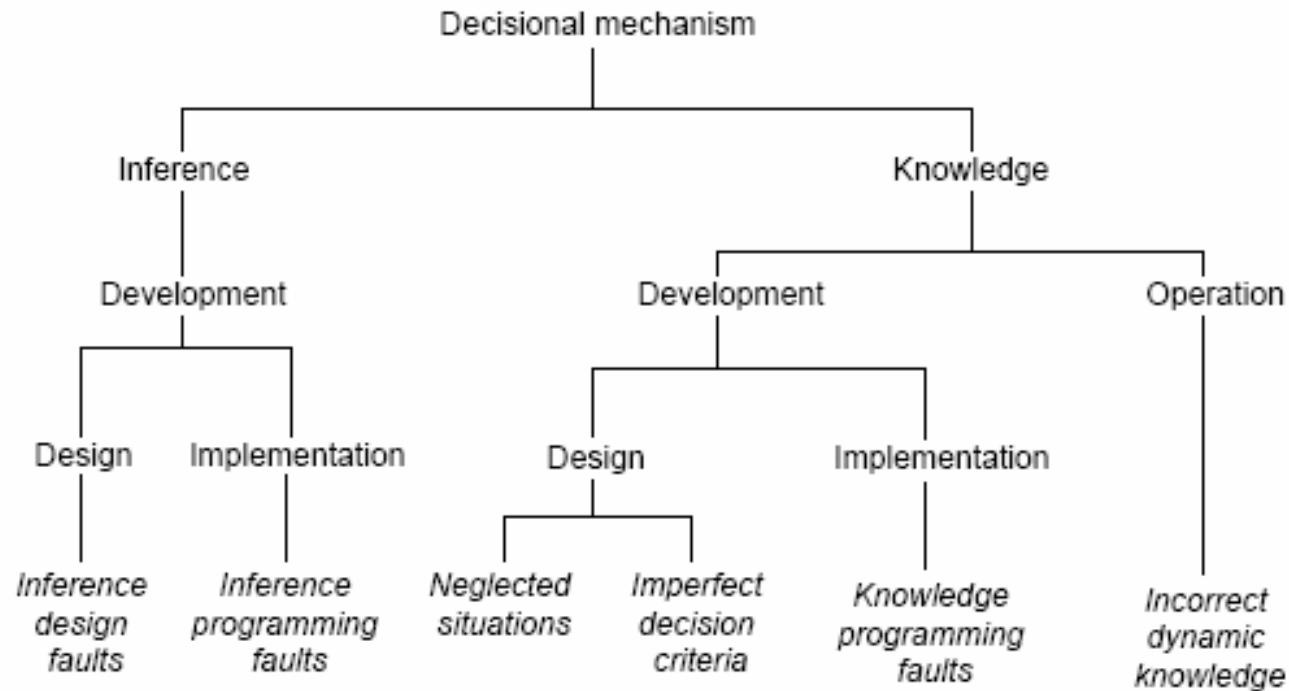
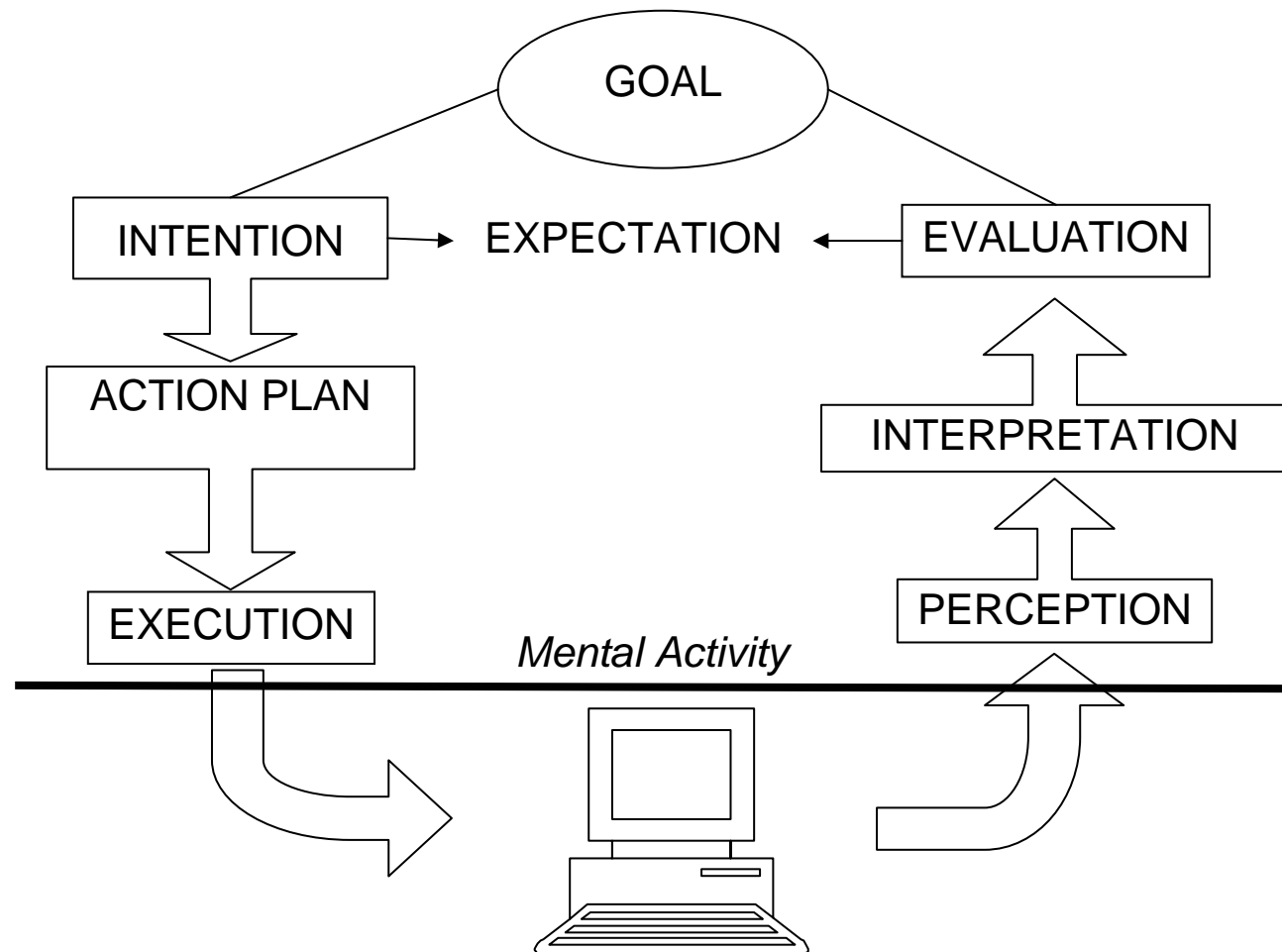


Figure 2: Internal faults in decisional mechanisms

[Lussier et al., Dep WS 2005]

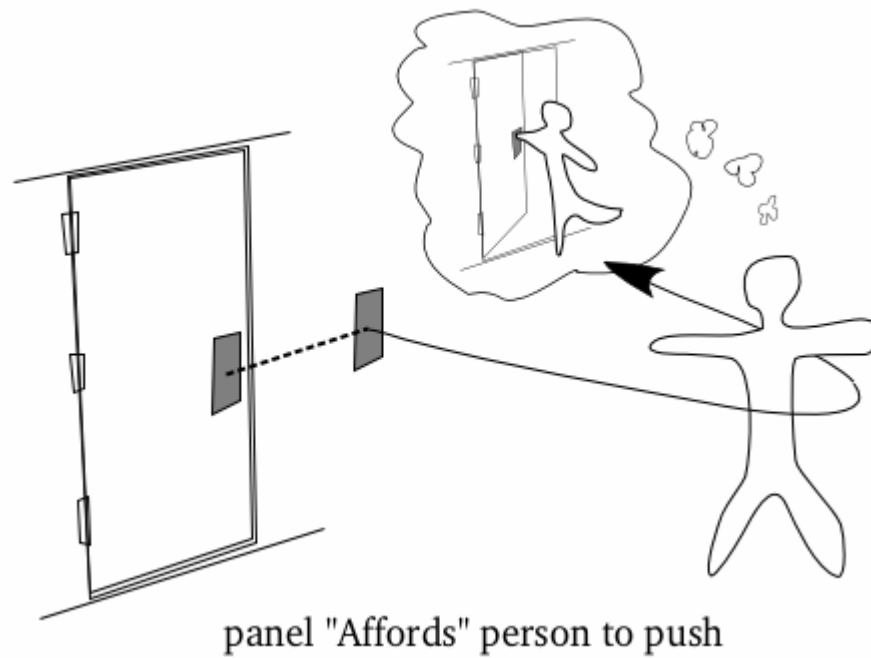
# Interaction: a cognitive engineering perspective



D.A. Norman, "Cognitive Engineering", in *User Centered System Design*,  
D.A. Norman & S.W. Draper (Ed.s), Hillsdale, NJ, Erlbaum, 1986





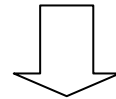


**Affordance** (J. Gibson, 1966) is the property of an object, or a feature of the immediate environment, that indicates how that object or feature can be interfaced with.



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**SYSTEM LEVEL**

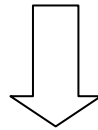


# Robot Dependability Vs. Roboethics

- Early stage dependability analysis of robotic systems

AND

- Early stage ethical evaluation of the application of robotics technology



- **steering research, inputs to ethical committees**
- **enhancing acceptability**
- **significant impact on the development of a successful design!**

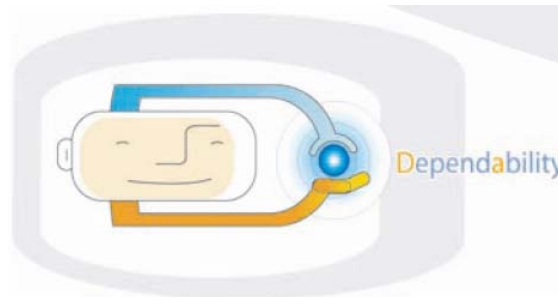


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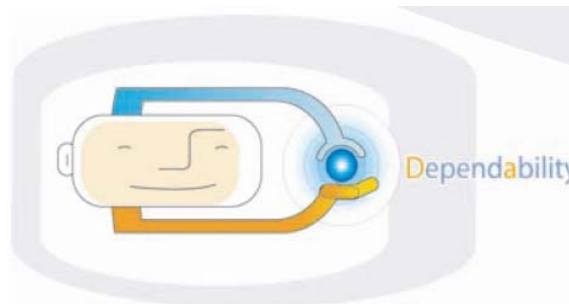
Dependability is a key factor for successful introduction of robotic systems in our Society: design paradigms and enabling technologies that could minimize potential risks for end-users, avoid misuse and enhance overall acceptability of robotic artefacts are the main goals of this emerging research area. This International Workshop, for the first time hosted in Italy, continues the successful story of this track of scientific events that gather a restricted group of top experts in Robotics, and in a broad range of other disciplines, to discuss the latest major advances in this field and to identify roadmaps for future development of truly dependable robotic technologies.



## ■ Scope

- Theoretical Foundations of Robot Dependability and Resilience
- Actuators and sensors for dependable robots
- Human Factors for Robotics & Human-Centred Robot Design
- Friendly and Natural Interfaces for Robotic Systems
- Human-Robot Safe Physical Interaction
- Supervision Architectures and Control Strategies for enhancing safety, robustness, self-diagnosis, fault-tolerance and exception handling in robotic systems
- Cognitive robotics & dependability
- Case-studies on robot dependability in emerging application domains, such as industrial, service, space, military, biomedical, edutainment, humanoid and personal robotics, and others
- Robot Acceptability
- Ethical and Social Implications of the Introduction of Robotics Technology in Human Environments

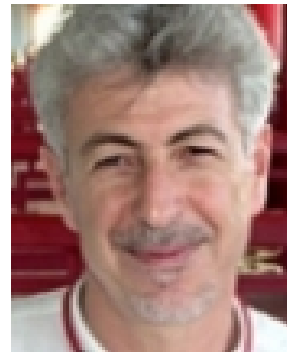
- 9 promoting countries
- 2-day
- Single track
- 1 opening lecture, 26 regular papers
- Follow-up report (for dissemination)







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*Opening Lecture, Sat. April 14, 2pm*

## **Human-Friendly Robot Design and Control**

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# Robot Dependability Vs. RoboEthics

- Not too early for dependability
- Networking with other working groups
  - Computer Systems Dependability Working Group
  - EURON SIGs
  - RAS TCs (Haptics, Rehabilitation, Bio-Robotics..)
  - ...
- Personal Robot Challenge (10 years ago, Panel chaired by George Bekey)
- Follow-up report
- Next workshop date & venue