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

- Innovators, technology enthusiasts
- Early adopters, visionaries
- Early majority pragmatists
- Late majority conservatives
- Laggards, skeptics

- Customers want technology and performance
- Customers want solutions and convenience

- Competition
- Cultivation

Time
What is dependability?

• ‘Mature’ Technology should be:
  ➢ Useful
  ➢ Appropriate
  ➢ Dependable
What is dependability?

[JC Laprie, 1992]

DEPENDBALITY

IMPAIRMENTS

FAILURES

ERRORS

FAILURES

PROCUREMENT

VALIDATION

VALIDATION

FAULTS

FAULT PREVENTION

FAULT TOLERANCE

FAULT REMOVAL

FAULT FORECASTING

ATTRIBUTES

AVAILABLE

RELIABILITY

SAFETY

CONFIDENTIALITY

INTEGRITY

MAINTAINABILITY

EXTERNAL MALICIOUS ATTACK

RESILIENCE
What is robot dependability?

- Levels of dependability
  - Hardware Level
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Distributed Macro-Mini Actuation (Khatib et al.)
What is robot dependability?

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  Variable stiffness actuators (Bicchi et al.)

  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

\[ \tau = J^T_A K_p e_p - K_d \dot{q} + g(q) \]
\[ e_p = x_d - x \]

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:
Compliance control in the Cartesian space

\[ \tau = J^T_A K_p e_p - K_d \dot{q} + g(q) \]
\[ e_p = x_d - x \]
Control of physical human-robot interaction

Interaction Control

Unstructured environment

Structured environment

Impedance Control
Compliance Control

Force Control
Hybrid Force/Position Control

with inner position loop
with inner velocity loop
parallel force/position


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

Coactivation-based compliance control in the joint space


What is robot dependability?

- Levels of dependability
  - Hardware Level
  - Middle Layer Control Level
  - Supervision and Cognitive Level
What is robot dependability?

Figure 2: Internal faults in decisional mechanisms

[Lussier et al., Dep WS 2005]
Interaction: a cognitive engineering perspective

**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!
The Workshop series on
‘Technical Challenges for
Dependable Robots in
Human Environments’
Tolouse, Seoul, Manchester, Aichi…Rome
INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

Technical Challenges for Dependable Robots in Human Environments

April 14 - 15, 2007
Sala Alinari, 5th floor
Associazione Civita
Piazza Venezia 11
Rome, Italy

April 14: 14:00 - 19:00
April 15: 9:00 - 18:30

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.

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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)
IARP-IEEE/RAS-EURON
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Opening Lecture, Sat. April 14, 2pm

Human-Friendly Robot Design and Control

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Session I: Hardware Components and System Design for Dependable Robots

Session II: Middle Layer Control Solutions for Dependable Robots

Session III: Supervision and Cognitive Schemes for Dependable Robots

Session IV: Experimental evaluation of dependability in robotic systems and social implications
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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