
Subject: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [DarkKnight](#) on Wed, 15 Jul 2009 22:48:03 GMT

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Their are a lot of movies depicting the end of mankind from self aware computers but is it realistic to think that it could some day be our future. Maybe not so much computers wiping us out but machines that are self aware?

Found this interesting article on the subject was curious what your thoughts were on it.

One of the quotes from the article i thought was funny.

Quote:If and when computers do become sentient, Simmons believes their human creators won't be that stupid: We will have engineered in basic safeguards.

Of course we would never be so stupid

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [ErroR](#) on Thu, 16 Jul 2009 13:48:15 GMT

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Indeed, they're preparing for it!

<http://skynet.md>

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Posted by [jnz](#) on Thu, 16 Jul 2009 16:00:25 GMT

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Posted by [CarrierII](#) on Thu, 16 Jul 2009 18:15:30 GMT

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Posted by [mr£ÄŞÄ-z](#) on Thu, 16 Jul 2009 18:52:23 GMT

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Posted by [LR01](#) on Thu, 16 Jul 2009 19:17:02 GMT

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and what if there is a bug in the program that causes it?

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Posted by [_SSnipe_](#) on Thu, 16 Jul 2009 19:53:28 GMT

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Thats the smartest thing I have seen in these forums, thanks

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Posted by [Herr Surth](#) on Thu, 16 Jul 2009 20:39:51 GMT
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IF IT WONT BE SKYNET, IT WILL BE THE CYLONS

OR BOTH TEAMED UP WITH DARWIN AND THE PIXIES
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8vxQI7977BE>

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Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Thu, 16 Jul 2009 22:00:08 GMT
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That, or it'll just become an hero when it realizes that we're not even worth saving.

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Posted by [Ethenal](#) on Fri, 17 Jul 2009 01:18:22 GMT
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What aimbots do? Aimbots lock on to a bone in the engine... I can't imagine how that's anything close to emulating a neuron. Weirdo...

But anyway, I'm with jnz on this one. Don't think that's possible.

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Posted by [DarkKnight](#) on Fri, 17 Jul 2009 11:39:31 GMT
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Self Aware Robot, in robot terms that is lol
http://www.danshope.com/news/showarticle.php?article_id=71

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Posted by [nopol10](#) on Fri, 17 Jul 2009 11:44:36 GMT

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Posted by [slosa](#) on Sat, 18 Jul 2009 22:41:53 GMT

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I don't think it's possible. I don't think we could ever understand just how we work ourselves, let alone imitate it with a computer.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 04:09:18 GMT

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Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 07:05:53 GMT

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So the Geth started to question their owners? That's a cop out. They questioned only because the question was coded in to be asked.

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And we have a winner.

Any programmer will tell you it's not possible. A computer will only do EXACTLY what you tell it to and nothing more.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [Herr Surth](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 10:33:30 GMT

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and when you tell it to be self-aware?

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"However, they eventually started to question their owners as to why they were created and what their purpose for life was"

This is the exact line I've been debunking in my post. It's possible to emulate self awareness, such as a robot wanting to learn more for example. Just not actually achieve self awareness. Also don't forget, it is extremely difficult to even emulate a very simple conversation. There are many many web bots out there that attempt it, all they do is pick out key words and attempt to reply. Not like out own train of thought. There is one bot, however, that is on the right track. It learns and upgrades itself from the responses and questions of other people. It asks them what "this" means, and saves the answer to a database. This gives it a good shot at AI, but it's still far from human.

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Not really, by "human", I did mean self aware.

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Posted by [DarkKnight](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 12:26:50 GMT
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Skynet was just the example but their have been countless other movies of machines destroying mankind. Maybe they are just doing what their programmed to do. So what if the machine evolves to starting thinking on its own?

Take for example the following article. Imagine this same type of coding in say a police robot. What if it determines your worth killing and not saving. They still may not be self aware but in the end your still dead.

http://www.danshope.com/news/showarticle.php?article_id=90

from the article

Quote:

A new robot, dubbed "Starfish" because of its size and shape, has the unusual ability -- in the mechanical world, that is -- of fixing itself. The Starfish is programmed to recognize its parts, but not how they're arranged or meant to be used. It figures that out for itself, using trial and error

Just imagine similar programming put into humanoid robots. Given any situation it figures out the best outcome.

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We wrote about going in space before it was ever conceived as possible. Their are lots of sci-fi stories like this example of something thought up before it was ever became reality. Not all sci-fi is silly ideas

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Posted by [CarrierII](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 14:24:17 GMT

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(Oh, and any robot apocalypse will be met with en masse EMPing)

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [Dover](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 14:36:48 GMT

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That's why I always enjoyed Asimov's versions of computers gaining sentience. I can't remember the name of the short story in particular, but I'll find it and post it here. Anyway, he's much more believable about it.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [CarrierII](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 17:13:12 GMT

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I agree, I've read some Asimov, highly enjoyable.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 22:01:09 GMT

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A computer will only do what its programmed to do. And if it's programmed to not do what it's programmed to do, then what happens?

lolparadox. :V

Also, @ Starbuck:

I said Milo may just be a "front" to self-awareness. Meaning that it gives off the illusion that he is self aware. But I also said that a true self-aware program is only a hop, skip and a jump away.

Yes a computer can become self aware if it's programmed to do so. However, a computer doesn't have to be programmed by a sentient being in order to perform that program.

You can program a computer to program itself through various means. Arm and leg attachments have nothing to do with it..

Think of it this way: when we are born, what do we know to do other than basic instinct? If a computer was programmed to follow key minor tasks but also be programmed to have the ability to learn the same way a newborn baby can, then you've just created a synthetic sentient being. (Think of it like a Star Wars droid.)

If it's given the ability to learn like a human, then it will because that's how it's programmed.

However, like I said, relating it to Skynet is a different story. Just because they would be synthetic, doesn't make them want to commit genocide.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [jnz](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 22:33:29 GMT

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...except a newborn baby takes in and processes terabytes of data every second.

The brain automatically can reconise diffrent objects we look at, as well at distance and colour. We also do the same with hearing, IE: I can tell the diffrent between the sound of a car and the sound of a factory.

There has yet to be a reliable method to do either programatically. Although that's not impossible, just extremely difficult. We also have yet to program a computer to learn properly and actually understand the meaning of a word.

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Last time I tried to move 1Gb it took over 30 seconds, heh that's not even close to 1000gb. Where'd we get the funding to use a supercluster like CERN's to make this project?

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 23:14:59 GMT

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Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [jnz](#) on Sun, 19 Jul 2009 23:34:56 GMT

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If my computer is receiving all that data, where is it going to go?

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This milo thing sounds like a simple bot with automated responses. Sure it can find simple shapes drawn on a piece of paper. The thing itself doesn't actually know what it's looking at. It's just comparing pixel locations to some sort of database. The same sort of technique used for sound.

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It would be all over the news and youtube, since they can't do their job without money. EDIT and again, there is no conspiracy.

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Today we can store in a chip in your watch that took a whole room to fill several years ago.

Who knows what the future holds. Computer programming is becoming more and more sophisticated. Computers may never become self aware in the true sense that we are. Whose to say someone can program one to think on its own through programming and come to the conclusion that mankind shouldn't be allowed to exist.

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I just noticed this. I don't know about matchbox sized, but the supercomputers on that list range from about 50 to about 1500 terraflops, so it's not crazy to think about.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [nopol10](#) on Mon, 20 Jul 2009 01:19:10 GMT
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I think we have all forgotten about the Cyberman!

They have human brains wired up to their steel bodies, so self-awareness is sort of present already and not much programming has to be done...apparently. I find this more believable than SkyNet.

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Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [DarkKnight](#) on Mon, 20 Jul 2009 13:15:57 GMT

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cnc95fan wrote on Mon, 20 July 2009 05:41DarkKnight wrote on Sun, 19 July 2009 19:18jnz wrote on Mon, 20 July 2009 00:34

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I know i miss typed. I meant 50 years ago.

<http://history.sandiego.edu/GEN/recording/computer1.html>

My thought is still the same. You can't take what we have today, combine it with no imagination and say we will never achieve anything greater than what we already have as the poster was suggesting.

Look at how far we've come in such little time. Whose to tell what will happen over the next few years.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [jnz](#) on Mon, 20 Jul 2009 16:12:19 GMT

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If anyone comes up with a way of allowing an artificially constructed machine to do something that is completely random, let alone be self aware. "I'll be over here".

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [CarrierII](#) on Mon, 20 Jul 2009 18:06:03 GMT
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Indeed, even if you use random numbers as the basis for decision making, the number of possible decisions or combinations of decisions is still actually limited (taking into account that a large number of the combinations will be nonsensical) and therefore any machine's function is limited, even if it's programmed to try and expand its own ability.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [Dover](#) on Tue, 21 Jul 2009 01:48:09 GMT
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You don't need self-aware, really. You just need it to reach a conclusion unfavorable to humanity, and that isn't all that crazy.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [_SSnipe_](#) on Tue, 21 Jul 2009 17:30:27 GMT
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Lets just say it, the worls getting lazy so they need robots, and droids to do the work for us!

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [marcin205](#) on Sun, 26 Jul 2009 11:15:22 GMT
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not possible ai in actual stage can make only one operation.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [DarkKnight](#) on Sun, 26 Jul 2009 18:34:17 GMT
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marcin205 wrote on Sun, 26 July 2009 06:15not possible ai in actual stage can make only one operation.

One operation = Destroy mankind

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [Dover](#) on Mon, 27 Jul 2009 19:30:52 GMT
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marcin205 wrote on Sun, 26 July 2009 04:15not possible ai in actual stage can make only one operation.

What makes you say that?

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [slosha](#) on Tue, 28 Jul 2009 18:56:40 GMT

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Well, I was watching the History Channel the other day. It was something about 7 ways the earth could end, and scientists seem to think machines could kill us all :\

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Wed, 29 Jul 2009 00:08:43 GMT

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I think we're safe from apocalypse because if there's one thing humanity is good at, it's half-assing stuff, and giving up. Therefore I think this will be as far as we will get in robot/machine development:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3rxTdMaAr4>

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [marcin205](#) on Fri, 31 Jul 2009 20:39:15 GMT

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Dover wrote on Mon, 27 July 2009 14:30marcin205 wrote on Sun, 26 July 2009 04:15not possible ai in actual stage can make only one operation.

What makes you say that?

chat bots ,supercomputers,well military robots they can make shot without operator cuz ai can shot evrything include own units.

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Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [Dover](#) on Fri, 31 Jul 2009 20:45:27 GMT

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Uh, what?

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [marcin205](#) on Sat, 01 Aug 2009 12:27:59 GMT
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well u.s.a military robots have trouble with recognise targets they shot evrything include own units,they will tested.dunno maybe they better now

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [Dover](#) on Sat, 01 Aug 2009 12:40:06 GMT
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marcin205 wrote on Sat, 01 August 2009 05:27well u.s.a military robots have trouble with recognise targets they shot evrything include own units,they will tested.dunno maybe they better now

So your logic is "It isn't possible now, therefore it isn't possible ever"? What the fuck...

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [archerman](#) on Sat, 01 Aug 2009 19:24:12 GMT
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the only way to do this is combining electronic circuits with living nervous tissues imo.

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Posted by [DarkKnight](#) on Sat, 01 Aug 2009 21:20:19 GMT
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I don't think its that far fetched an idea that we can create robots to wipe out mankind and their would be someone evil enough to program them for that purpose. You can just look at history to find those who if they had this technology would have done just that.

as far as them doing it on their own I wouldnt be so naive to say its never a possibility.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [marcin205](#) on Sat, 01 Aug 2009 23:24:35 GMT
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well dont need ai mankind can selfkill:stealth material,atomic bomb,military robots,nanotechnology and more.well im think is not possible human brain is too complicated cant put this into chip.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [slosha](#) on Wed, 05 Aug 2009 03:14:30 GMT
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If it is possible to harness our own minds into a chip, it will take many centuries. We don't have to worry about homicidal robots sneaking up our asses for a long time.

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [Starbuzzz](#) on Wed, 05 Aug 2009 04:18:24 GMT
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Glock~ wrote on Tue, 04 August 2009 23:14We don't have to worry about homicidal robots sneaking up our asses for a long time.

LOL

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?
Posted by [DarkKnight](#) on Wed, 05 Aug 2009 22:09:18 GMT
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Glock~ wrote on Tue, 04 August 2009 22:14If it is possible to harness our own minds into a chip, it will take many centuries. We don't have to worry about homicidal robots sneaking up our asses for a long time.

how do you figure? how long has it taken us to get where we are now from the first micro chip? If anything this technology is increasing .

Subject: Re: Is SkyNet Possible?

Posted by [marcin205](#) on Thu, 06 Aug 2009 00:18:34 GMT

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