Man or Machine – Who is More Intelligent? Who is More Exciting?

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ABSTRACT: Simulating and copying the behavior of humans to cooperate with each other pose a big challenge for technologists and scientists who develop machines. This presentation features the educational and entertaining machines developed in the Intelligent Systems Laboratory at the De La Salle University, Philippines. These machines will show cooperative and social behaviors. Hence, this presentation particularly discusses: 1. Robots that can play sports like soccer football, golf, evade and conquer, among others; 2. Robots that can dance live on any type of music and perform group synchronized or choreographed motions; 3. Robot that can water plants in a greenhouse environment. 4. Robot that can assist elderly person in walking and navigating in an outdoor environment; and 5. Robots that can be used for search and rescue operations.

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