

## **Drones And Flying Robots (Cutting Edge Robotics)**

*Wildfires are exploding as climate change results in hotter, drier weather and longer fire seasons. There is a growing need for creative engineering solutions to better fight these disasters. This revealing volume begins with an overview of the 2018 California fire season. Readers then investigate the causes and effects of wildfires and learn about the methods engineers use to predict including the reliance on computer fire models and satellites. They will learn about the solutions to prevent and prepare for, and fight wildfires. The narrative relates the specific ways individuals and communities can protect themselves, including the adoption of fire-adapted ecosystems.*

*New innovations continue to offer new ways to fight the war on terror. Readers will learn about the most up-to-date tools and vehicles currently used in this ongoing war. Callout explanations paired with high-impact photos help information leap off the page.*

*A First Course in Aerial Robots and Drones provides an accessible and student friendly introduction to aerial robots and drones. Drones figure prominently as opportunities for students to learn various aspects of aerospace engineering and design. Drones offer an enticing entry point for STEM studies. As the use of drones in STEM studies grows, there is an emerging generation of drone pilots who are not just good at flying, but experts in specific niches, such as mapping or thermography. Key Features: Focuses on algorithms that are currently used to solve diverse problems. Enables students to solve problems and improve their science skills. Introduces difficult concepts with simple, accessible examples.*

*Suitable for undergraduate students, this textbook provides students and other readers with methods for solving problems and improving their science skills. Gaia's Lost Children is a politically conservative sci-fi novel of a near-term dystopian future. In the story, the Extinction Reversal Corp. (ERC) genetically engineers and reintroduces the recently extinct moas, woolly mammoths, and passenger pigeons species to the Earth's environment. Unfortunately, these reintroductions unsettle the Global Union (GU), a carefully balanced, all-encompassing world government. In reaction, the members of the ERC are banished to a huge space habitat located equal distance from the Earth and Moon. A later attempt at further punishment leads the space exiles to rebel. The novel follows two childhood friends, Peter Tanaka and Ivar Hardford, as they try to navigate the turmoil in the GU. Peter joins the ERC and becomes a leader of the space exiles. Ivar establishes himself as the head of a mercenary band used as off-the-books government enforcers. Peter and Ivar end as mortal enemies on opposite sides of the space rebellion.*

*Proceedings of the AHFE 2017 International Conference on Human Factors in Robots and Unmanned Systems, July 17–21, 2017, The Westin Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles, California, USA*

*Careers in Drone Technology*

*Springer Handbook of Robotics*

*Construction Project Monitoring and Evaluation*

*A Reference Handbook*

This book focuses on the importance of human factors in the development of safe and reliable unmanned systems. It discusses current challenges such as how to improve the perceptual and cognitive abilities of robots, develop suitable synthetic vision systems, cope with degraded reliability in unmanned systems, predict robotic behavior in case of a loss of communication, the vision for future soldier-robot teams, human-agent teaming, real-world implications for human-robot interaction, and approaches to standardize both the display and control of technologies across unmanned systems. Based on the AHFE 2017 International Conference on Human Factors in Robots and Unmanned Systems, held on July 17–21 in Los Angeles, California, USA, this book is expected to foster new discussion and stimulate new advances in the development of more reliable, safer, and highly functional devices for carrying out automated and concurrent tasks.

Object Lessons is a series of short, beautifully designed books about the hidden lives of ordinary things. Drones are in the newspaper, on the TV screen, swarming through the networks, and soon, we're told, they'll be delivering our shopping. But what are drones? The word encompasses everything from toys to weapons. And yet, as broadly defined as they are, the word “ drone ” fills many of us with a sense of technological dread. Adam Rothstein cuts through the mystery, the unknown, and the political posturing, and talks about what drones really are: what technologies are out there, and what's coming next; how drones are talked about, and how they are represented in popular culture. It turns out that drones are not as scary as they appear—but they are more complicated than you might expect. Drones reveal the strange relationships that humans are forming with their new technologies. Object Lessons is published in partnership with an essay series in The Atlantic.

Law enforcement officers keep people safe, and robots are sometimes used to keep these officers safe. As readers learn about the many ways robots are used to help in the field of law enforcement, they are introduced to exciting ways science, technology, engineering, and math, also known as STEM, are being used in the world around them. Through informative text and eye-catching fact boxes, they explore the evolution of robots in this important field, with detailed photographs helping them visualize the technology they are reading about.

"The book I had been waiting for. I can't recommend it highly enough." —Bill Gates The era of autonomous weapons has arrived. Today around the globe, at least thirty nations have weapons that can search for and destroy enemy targets all on their own. Paul Scharre, a leading expert in next-generation warfare, describes these and other high tech weapons systems—from Israel ' s Harpy drone to the American submarine-hunting robot ship Sea Hunter—and examines the legal and ethical issues surrounding their use. “ A smart primer to what ' s to come in warfare ” (Bruce Schneier), Army of None engages military history, global policy, and cutting-edge science to explore the implications of giving weapons the freedom to make life and death decisions. A former soldier himself, Scharre

argues that we must embrace technology where it can make war more precise and humane, but when the choice is life or death, there is no replacement for the human heart.

Global Supply Chain and Operations Management

Army of None: Autonomous Weapons and the Future of War

AI & ML - Powering the Agents of Automation

Robotic Technologies in Biomedical and Healthcare Engineering

How Smart Companies Stop Selling Products and Start Delivering Value

Advances in Human Factors in Robots and Unmanned Systems

*"Drone Warrior is an all-too-real terror scenario cloaked in the guise of a novel. This tale has it all—a gripping story, characters you'll love or hate, high-tech gee-whizzery rendered in exquisite detail. Take a seat and hang on. You're in for a hell of a ride." Robert Gandt, award-winning author of "The President's Pilot" and thirteen other military and aviation classics. Intelligence sources have uncovered a terrorist threat against the United States. Military downsizing has increased reliance on robotic warriors as force multipliers replacing the Man-In-The-Sand approach to war fighting. An epic battle fought exclusively by drones is just beyond the horizon. A countdown to attack has started with the United States FPCON level jumping abruptly to Charlie. The CIA, NSA, and NRO are scouring the earth for weapons of mass destruction. First term President John Parker insist on a business as usual appearance to the public while USSOC Admiral James Buzz Robbins has ordered Spec Ops Warriors to guard government officials and deploys high flying unmanned aerial vehicles to search and destroy the terrorist enemy. In the background Drone prodigy James Barlow unknowingly provides a solution to a frightening scenario. Sit down strap in and hang on for a literary roller coaster ride that could bring the United States to its knees. The book examines principal arguments for and against the use of unmanned aerial vehicles for surveillance and 'targeted killing.' Addressing both sides of the argument with clear and cogent details, the book provides a thorough introduction to ongoing debate about the future of warfare and its ethical implications.*

*This book introduces readers to the latest findings on disaster robotics. It is based on the ImPACT Tough Robotics Challenge, a national project spearheaded by the Japan Cabinet Office that focuses on developing robotics technologies to aid in disaster response, recovery and preparedness. It presents six subprojects that involve robot platforms and several component technologies used in conjunction with robots: cyber rescue canines, which are digitally empowered rescue dogs; serpent-like robots for searching debris; serpent-like robots for plant/infrastructure inspection; UAVs for gathering information on large areas struck by disaster; legged robots for plant/infrastructure inspection in risky places; and construction robots for recovery tasks that require both power and precision. The book offers a valuable source of information for researchers, engineers and practitioners in safety, security and rescue robotics,*

disaster robotics, and plant and infrastructure maintenance. It will also appeal to a wider demographic, including students and academics, as it highlights application scenarios and the total concept for each robot in various scientific and technical contexts. In addition to a wealth of figures and photos that explain these robots and systems, as well as experimental data, the book includes a comprehensive list of published papers from this project for readers to refer to. Lastly, an external website offers video footage and updated information from the International Rescue System Institute.

*The truth about robots: two experts look beyond the hype, offering a lively and accessible guide to what robots can (and can't) do. There's a lot of hype about robots; some of it is scary and some of it utopian. In this accessible book, two robotics experts reveal the truth about what robots can and can't do, how they work, and what we can reasonably expect their future capabilities to be. It will not only make you think differently about the capabilities of robots; it will make you think differently about the capabilities of humans. Ruth Aylett and Patricia Vargas discuss the history of our fascination with robots—from chatbots and prosthetics to autonomous cars and robot swarms. They show us the ways in which robots outperform humans and the ways they fall woefully short of our superior talents. They explain how robots see, feel, hear, think, and learn; describe how robots can cooperate; and consider robots as pets, butlers, and companions. Finally, they look at robots that raise ethical and social issues: killer robots, sexbots, and robots that might be gunning for your job. Living with Robots equips readers to look at robots concretely—as human-made artifacts rather than placeholders for our anxieties. Find out:*

- Why robots can swim and fly but find it difficult to walk
- Which robot features are inspired by animals and insects
- Why we develop feelings for robots
- Which human abilities are hard for robots to emulate

*Broken Bone China*

*First How Things Work Encyclopedia*

*New Generation Vehicles*

*A First Reference Book for Children*

*Drones, Mine Clearance, and Bomb Disposal*

*Drone*

**Technology has made modern life as we know it possible, but there's always a downside to technological advances. Some technology can be helpful, but some is downright freaky. From secret computer viruses made by the government to incredible technology that keeps buildings safe during windstorms or earthquakes, this book explores the world of technology with an eye on the weird fringes that spark some of the most useful and wild inventions in the world. After all, the weird of today just may be the ordinary of the future.**

**Readers get acquainted with the people behind today's most cutting-edge technologies in the drone tech field--from bright ideas to cool new products--and inspires readers to consider a high-tech future career. Careers in Drone Technology introduces six exciting careers and features sidebar activities that invite readers to Imagine That! and Dig Deeper! Includes table of contents, glossary, index, and supplementary backmatter.**

*The fast and easy way to pick out, set up, and learn to fly your drone Ready to soar into the world of unmanned aircraft? Drones For Dummies introduces you to the fascinating world of UAVs. Written in plain English and brimming with friendly instruction, Drones For Dummies provides you with the information you need to find and purchase the right drone for your needs, examples of ways to use a drone, and even drone etiquette and the laws and regulations governing consumer drone usage. Plus, you'll discover the basics of flight, including how to use a drone to capture photos and video. Originally designed to assist in military and special operations applications, the use of drones has expanded into the public service sector and the consumer market for people looking to have a good time flying an aircraft remotely. Drones For Dummies covers everything you need to know to have fun with your UAV, and is packed with cool ways to expand your drone's use beyond simply flying. Pick the perfect drone to suit your needs Properly set up and fly a drone Use a drone to capture images and footage with a camera Tips for maintaining your drone If you're interested in the exciting new technology of unmanned aircraft vehicles, Drones For Dummies helps you take flight.*

*The Singularity. The day the machines gained awareness. The day they turned cruel. The day they overthrew their makers. In a distant star system, a planet-sized computer unleashes its hosts: fleets of warships, armies of robots, and a swarm of killer drones. Their purpose is one: destroy all life. As the cosmos crumbles, one team steps up to the plate: The Alien Hunters. The Alien Hunters are galactic pest controllers, not an army. Their spaceship is old and clunky. They specialize in crushing the odd space bug, not a fleet of vicious machines. They're a rolled-up newspaper when the cosmos needs an A-bomb. But they're fast, they're brave, and they're just foolhardy enough to charge right into battle. As the robots spread across the galaxy, slaying all in their path, the Alien Hunters fly out to meet them. The war between life and machine begins.*

*UAV-Based Remote Sensing Volume 2*

*Drones, Artificial Intelligence, & the Coming Human Annihilation*

*Drones For Dummies*

*A First Course in Aerial Robots and Drones*

*Humanoid Robots*

*Robot Competitions*

*Theodosia Browning serves tea and solves crimes in Charleston, a city steeped in tradition and treachery in the latest Tea Shop Mystery from New York Times bestselling author Laura Childs. It is Sunday afternoon, and Theodosia and Drayton are catering a formal tea at a hot-air balloon rally. The view aloft is not only stunning, they are also surrounded by a dozen other colorful hot-air balloons. But as the sky turns gray and the clouds start to boil up, a strange object zooms out of nowhere. It is a drone, and it appears to be buzzing around the balloons, checking them out. As Theodosia and Drayton watch, the drone, hovering like some angry, mechanized insect, deliberately crashes into the balloon next to them. An enormous, fiery explosion erupts, and everyone watches in horror as the balloon*

plummets to the earth, killing all three of its passengers. Sirens scream, first responders arrive, and Theodosia is interviewed by the police. During the interview she learns that one of the downed occupants was Don Kingsley, the CEO of a local software company, SyncSoft. Not only do the police suspect Kingsley as the primary target, they learn that he possessed a rare Revolutionary War Union Jack flag that several people were rabidly bidding on. Intrigued, Theodosia begins her own investigation. Was it the CEO's soon-to-be ex-wife, who is restoring an enormous mansion at no expense? The CEO's personal assistant, who also functioned as curator of his prized collection of Americana? Two rival antiques' dealers known for dirty dealing? Or was the killer the fiancée of one of Theodosia's dear friends, who turns out to be an employee—and whistle-blower—at SyncSoft? INCLUDES DELICIOUS RECIPES AND TEA TIME TIPS!

The second edition of this textbook comprehensively discusses global supply-chain and operations management, combining value creation networks and interacting processes. It focuses on the operational roles in the networks and presents the quantitative and organizational methods needed to plan and control the material, information and financial flows in the supply chain. Each chapter starts with an introductory case study, and numerous examples from various industries and services help to illustrate the key concepts. The book explains how to design operations and supply networks and how to incorporate suppliers and customers. It also examines matching supply and demand, which is a core aspect of tactical planning, before turning to the allocation of resources for fulfilling customer demands. This second edition features three new chapters: "Supply Chain Risk Management and Resilience", "Digital Supply Chain, Smart Operations, and Industry 4.0", and "Pricing and Revenue-Oriented Capacity Allocation". These new chapters provide the structured knowledge on the principles, models, and technologies for managing the supply-chain risks and improving supply-chain and operations performance with the help of digital technologies such as Industry 4.0, additive manufacturing, Internet-of-Things, advanced optimization methods and predictive analytics. The existing chapters have been updated and new case studies have been included. In addition, the preface provides guidelines for instructors on how to use the material for different courses in supply-

chain and operations management and at different educational levels, such as general undergraduate, specialized undergraduate, and graduate courses. The companion website [www.global-supply-chain-management.de](http://www.global-supply-chain-management.de) has also been updated accordingly. In addition, the book is now supported by e-manuals for supply-chain and operations simulation and optimization in AnyLogic and anyLogistix. Providing readers with a working knowledge of global supply-chain and operations management, with a focus on bridging the gap between theory and practice, this textbook can be used in core, special and advanced classes. It is intended for broad range of students and professionals involved in supply-chain and operations management.

Got trouble with aliens? Call the Alien Hunters. This bundle includes all three novels in this fast-paced, sci-fi adventure. BOOK 1: Alien Hunters -- The skelkrins. Predators from deep space. Creatures of claws, fangs, and malice. Riff and his crew are the Alien Hunters, ragtag mercenaries who travel the galaxy, trapping and removing cosmic critters. They're just galactic pest controllers, not an army. When the skelkrins attack, will the Alien Hunters be the ones hunting aliens . . . or will aliens hunt them? BOOK 2: Alien Sky -- The Singularity. The day the machines gained awareness. The day they turned cruel. The robotic fleet swarms across the galaxy, slaying all in its path. The Alien Hunters--outgunned, outsmarted, outclassed--fly up to meet these killer robots. The battle between life and machine begins. BOOK 3: Alien Shadows -- On a dead planet orbiting a black hole, shadows stir. Some call them ghosts, others merely figments of the imagination. As these astral beings spread across the cosmos, the Alien Hunters stare into the darkness of deepest space . . . and find terror.

New prospects for biomedical and healthcare engineering are being created by the rapid development of Robotic and Artificial Intelligence techniques. Innovative technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Deep Learning, Robotics, and IoT are currently under huge influence in today's modern world. For instance, a micro-nano robot allows us to study the fundamental problems at a cellular scale owing to its precise positioning and manipulation ability; the medical robot paves a new way for the low-invasive and high-efficient clinical operation, and rehabilitation robotics is able to improve the rehabilitative efficacy of patients.

*This book aims at exhibiting the latest research achievements, findings, and ideas in the field of robotics in biomedical and healthcare engineering, primarily focusing on the walking assistive robot, telerobotic surgery, upper/lower limb rehabilitation, and radiosurgery. As a result, a wide range of robots are being developed to serve a variety of roles within the medical environment. Robots specializing in human treatment include surgical robots and rehabilitation robots. The field of assistive and therapeutic robotic devices is also expanding rapidly. These include robots that help patients rehabilitate from severe conditions like strokes, empathic robots that assist in the care of older or physically/mentally challenged individuals, and industrial robots that take on a variety of routine tasks, such as sterilizing rooms and delivering medical supplies and equipment, including medications. The objectives of the book are in terms of advancing the state-of-the-art of robotic techniques and addressing the challenging problems in biomedical and healthcare engineering. This book Lays a good foundation for the core concepts and principles of robotics in biomedical and healthcare engineering, walking the reader through the fundamental ideas with expert ease. Progresses on the topics in a step-by-step manner and reinforces theory with a full-fledged pedagogy designed to enhance students' understanding and offer them a practical insight into the applications of it. Features chapters that introduce and cover novel ideas in healthcare engineering like Applications of Robots in Surgery, Microrobots and Nanorobots in Healthcare Practices, Intelligent Walker for Posture Monitoring, AI-Powered Robots in Biomedical and Hybrid Intelligent Systems for Medical Diagnosis, and so on. Deepak Gupta is an Assistant Professor at the Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Technology, GGSIPU, Delhi, India. Moolchand Sharma is an Assistant Professor at the Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Technology, GGSIPU, Delhi, India. Vikas Chaudhary is a Professor at the JIMS Engineering Management Technical Campus, GGSIPU, Greater Noida, India. Ashish Khanna currently works at the Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Technology, GGSIPU, Delhi, India.*

*The Art of War in the Modern World*  
*Analyzing the Drone Debates: Targeted Killing, Remote Warfare, and Military Technology*  
*Drones*

***Over 40 Publications / Studies Combined: UAS / UAV / Drone Swarm Technology Research***

***Deadly Drones? Why FAA Regulations Miss the Mark on Drone Safety***

***Alien Hunters: A Space Opera Trilogy***

This unique insight into RAF Reaper operations in Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria is based on unprecedented research access to the Reaper squadrons and personnel at RAF Waddington in Lincolnshire and Creech Air Force Base in Nevada, USA. The author has observed lethal missile strikes against Islamic State jihadists in Syria and Iraq alongside the crews involved. He has also conducted extensive interviews with Reaper pilots, sensor operators, mission intelligence coordinators, and spouses and partners. The result is an intimate portrait of the human aspect of remote air warfare in the twenty-first century. Imagine a world full of drones of all shapes and sizes that are everywhere in the air, on the land, the sea, or even under the sea, including Terminator robots. Now ponder an existence where these same drones monitor and control everything spying on our every move. Stir in an actual movement going on right now in the scientific community to create a super highly advanced Artificial Intelligence to control it all on a global scale and you now have what is contained within this book: *Drones, Artificial Intelligence, & the Coming Human Annihilation*. This macabre dark scenario might seem like some futuristic science fiction story or even a bit far-fetched. Yet, what you are about to discover in the pages of this book is the spine-chilling truth that this wild shocking reality is actually being developed right now before our very eyes. This book, *Drones, Artificial Intelligence, & the Coming Human Annihilation*, will to enlighten you to the hardcore facts concerning this dangerous emerging technology.

The year is 2090. Earth is a dystopian nightmare filled with lonely people seeking connection in virtual worlds while corporate conglomerates profit from war and secretly run every country's government. So, nothing's changed. Except there are more robots! Like the one the slovenly Null Lasker (he's your hero, unfortunately) controls from the comfort of his living room in order to fight for SKIRM® in a distant warzone. Think of SKIRM® as like Uber for war, except there are less benefits and the pay is somehow worse. Everything goes well until Null pushes the system too far and finds himself in a world of trouble — and on the run from his employer. Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, the George Orwell estate, Olive Garden... these are just a few of the potential plaintiffs in lawsuits that could come from this book. Oh, and Uber now. One last thing: 10% of all book sales go to [shatterproof.org](http://shatterproof.org) — forever. For all time. Contributing to a charity was a huge part of this project and it goes towards a cause we're very passionate about. Enjoy. The second edition of this handbook provides a state-of-the-art overview on the various aspects in the rapidly developing field of robotics. Reaching for the human frontier, robotics is vigorously engaged in the growing challenges of new emerging domains. Interacting, exploring, and working with humans, the new

generation of robots will increasingly touch people and their lives. The credible prospect of practical robots among humans is the result of the scientific endeavour of a half a century of robotic developments that established robotics as a modern scientific discipline. The ongoing vibrant expansion and strong growth of the field during the last decade has fueled this second edition of the Springer Handbook of Robotics. The first edition of the handbook soon became a landmark in robotics publishing and won the American Association of Publishers PROSE Award for Excellence in Physical Sciences & Mathematics as well as the organization's Award for Engineering & Technology. The second edition of the handbook, edited by two internationally renowned scientists with the support of an outstanding team of seven part editors and more than 200 authors, continues to be an authoritative reference for robotics researchers, newcomers to the field, and scholars from related disciplines. The contents have been restructured to achieve four main objectives: the enlargement of foundational topics for robotics, the enlightenment of design of various types of robotic systems, the extension of the treatment on robots moving in the environment, and the enrichment of advanced robotics applications. Further to an extensive update, fifteen new chapters have been introduced on emerging topics, and a new generation of authors have joined the handbook's team. A novel addition to the second edition is a comprehensive collection of multimedia references to more than 700 videos, which bring valuable insight into the contents. The videos can be viewed directly augmented into the text with a smartphone or tablet using a unique and specially designed app. Springer Handbook of Robotics Multimedia Extension Portal:

<http://handbookofrobotics.org/>

Living with Robots

Alien Sky

Freaky Stories About Technology

Gaia's Lost Children

A James Barlow Adventure

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*All the most important science topics for kids, from magnets and sound waves to flight and search engines, are simply explained in this fun and informative illustrated STEM book for children studying KS1 and KS2 subjects. First How Things Work Encyclopedia covers everything children aged 5-9 need to know. What makes rockets go? How does electricity work? Why do we sometimes see rainbows in the sky? This book follows the curriculum for Key Stages 1 and 2 and provides a strong foundation for science and STEM learning through the rest of the school years. This is the perfect homework help ebook to support children as they begin to learn about the inner workings of the world around them. It introduces exciting areas of science that will get kids hooked on learning about how things work, including levers, light bulbs, engines, and roller-coasters. This book sits in DK's popular First Reference series, which is perfect for kids who want to explore the world around them.*

*How some firms are rewriting the rules of commerce by pursuing "ends"--actual outcomes--rather than selling "means"--their products and services. Would you*

*rather pay for health care or for better health? For school or education? For groceries or nutrition? A car or transportation? A theater performance or entertainment? In *The Ends Game*, Marco Bertini and Oded Koenigsberg describe how some firms are rewriting the rules of commerce: instead of selling the "means" (products and services), they adopt innovative revenue models to pursue the "ends" (actual outcomes). They show that paying by the pill, semester, food item, vehicle, or show does not necessarily reflect the value that customers actually derive from their purchases. Revenue models anchored on the ownership of products, they argue, are patently inferior.*

*"Humanoid robots help us by going place humans can't--to retrieve information and to help with search and rescue. Discover how this cutting-edge technology was first created, and explore what kind of functions humanoid robots might perform in the future."*

*Is it a bird, a plane, or maybe even a drone flying overhead? This amazing book tackles the history of drone technology and where future development will take these exciting aircraft. Known mostly for its use in the military as surveillance equipment or even in combat, these pilotless flying machines are now used all over the world by ordinary people who love remote controlled vehicles. Today, drones of all shapes and sizes can achieve amazing things, even if it's just taking photos or some video in someone's backyard. This book investigates the complicated role drone technology plays in our modern lives, and what future development will mean for our privacy and safety.*

*Robotics in Law Enforcement*

*A Step-by-Step Guide to Designing, Constructing, and Flying Your Very Own Drone*

*What Every Anxious Human Needs to Know*

*Military Robots and Drones*

*Build a Drone*

*An Integrated Approach*

This book is a printed edition of the Special Issue "UAV-Based Remote Sensing" that was published in *Sensors*

Robots were once only futuristic ideas, but the future is here!

Discover how robots help humans, from exploring space and destroying bombs to performing surgery and cleaning houses. See how robots use sensors to explore and interact with the world around them and learn how programmers write codes to instruct robots how to behave.

Why do we try to use military force to solve our political problems?

And why, when our forces win the military battles does this still fail

to solve those problems? It is because the force lacks utility. From Iraq to the Balkans, and from Afghanistan to Chechnya, over the past fifteen years there has been a steady stream of military interventions that have not delivered on their promise for peace, or even political resolution. *The Utility of Force* explains this anomaly at the heart of our current international system.

A rapidly growing commercial drone industry has prompted the introduction of numerous regulations governing American airspace.

Congress has tasked the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) with "developing plans for the use of the navigable airspace to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use" of American skies. While well-intended, the FAA has departed from Congressional will by

imposing an excessive regulatory scheme that threatens to stifle drone technology and innovation. In fact, many FAA regulations fail to address the very problem they seek to fix, namely the safety of our airspace. The unfortunate result is that myriad scientific and pragmatic applications of cutting-edge drone technology have been stalled or thwarted entirely inside the U.S., forcing innovation efforts to move abroad. FAA regulations must be dramatically scaled back and reformed to reflect the countless benefits and comparatively minimal risks associated with drone technology. Nonsensical rules such as the one requiring any person over the age of 13 to register her recreational "Christmas toy" drones are excessive as a response to public safety in light of the fact that many other far more prominent threats to public safety (e.g., firearms) have no similar registration requirements. More pragmatically, the line of sight regulations that prevent pilots from using vision-enhancing devices such as first-person view technology needlessly restrict the commercial applications of drones, including long distance package delivery. Finally, while the FAA and various other regulatory bodies currently control the spaces in which drones can be legally flown, drone manufacturers are far better equipped to accomplish this goal themselves through the incorporation of geofencing technology (which directly prevents drones from flying into restricted areas like airports). In sum, American laws and regulations governing the flight of commercial drones are overly restrictive, unnecessarily stifle valuable innovation, and must be revised to ensure that the true potential of drone technology can be realized.

Drone Warrior

Alien Hunters, Book 2

Results from the ImPACT Tough Robotics Challenge

A Decision-Oriented Introduction to the Creation of Value

Drones and Flying Robots

Disaster Robotics

This book will provide readers with an in-depth theoretical awareness and practical guidance on the implementation of an effective monitoring and evaluation (M&E) system to ensure construction projects meet approved quality, cost, time and social sustainability objectives. The authors discuss the drivers, challenges, determinants and benefits of effective M&E implementation together with the theories and models underpinning construction project M&E practices. Further, a comparative overview of M&E practices in developed and developing countries is presented to elucidate the best practices. The book first conceptualizes M&E as a five-factor model comprising stakeholder involvement, budgetary allocation and logistics, technical capacity and training, leadership, and communication. It then presents an M&E case study on the Ghanaian construction industry before expanding on the idea of M&E systems as an effective tool for project performance and in optimizing a project's contribution to society and the environment. The book further provides guidance on M&E practice for construction project managers, investors, professionals, researchers and other stakeholders and is therefore of interest to those in architecture, construction engineering, planning, project management and development studies.

Learn Why, What, Where, When Who and How behind the technologies of the AI & ML powering the Agents of Automation in a simple manner  
Key features Explore various trends of

Automation impacting our lives today. Explains the reasons behind the proliferations of the various bots and autonomous agents. Explores the various areas being impacted by the use of these new workforce made of machines. Examines the components that make up Robots, Chatbots, Autonomous cars and Drones. Throws a light on the various limitations and threats encountered by the Agents of Automation Explores how, Blockchain can be used to protect IOT, Robots, Drones and Autonomous cars. Throws a light on the various tools used to build Robots, Chatbots and RPA. Outlines the steps undertaken to manage while building projects to deploy the Agents of Automation. Description We are faced with automatic machines and autonomous agents gradually replacing a lot of activities, hitherto have been carried out by humans. From airports to call centers, shop floors in the factory to accounting and finance departments in large businesses, we are finding increasing applications of AI & ML led automation. Most of the time, the autonomous machines we interact with or work with, like the Robots, Drones and Self driving cars evoke awe, inspiration & perplexity at the same time. They seem to be the tools only used by the most technology empowered organizations and technology geeks. The effort of this book is to go under the veil of all these automation agents, explain their benefits and expose the way they work by leveraging hardware and software powered by AI & ML as well. We expect the book to demystify these technologies to the learners in a reader friendly manner without using too much of jargon, egging them to take the next step to develop a passion to follow and leverage these trends for their productivity and enhance their quality of life. What will you learn From this book, you will get a very good idea about the various agents of automation like IOT, Robots, Chatbots, and Robotic Process Automation, Drones and Autonomous cars. Why do we use these machines? Where do we use them? Where do we find their applications? What are the components that go into making of these machines? High level knowledge on how we can build them and what are the advantages, disadvantages, risks and appropriate way to limit these risks. Who this book is for This book is for all the students and those passionate to get a fundamental knowledge on various aspects of Disruptive technologies prevalent today like IOT, AI, ML, Blockchain and Automation. Engineering students, CXOs in organizations, Government officials, Digital natives and the young generation of technology enthusiasts will find this book extremely interesting and informative. Table of contents 1. Introduction to Automated Personal Assistants: Past, Present & The Future 2. Disruptive models led by digitization 3. Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence, The languages of Automation 4. Internet Of Things, Industry 4.0 And Factories Of Tomorrow 5. Robots 6. Robotic Process Automation 7. Drones 8. Chatbots & Voice Assistants 9. Autonomous Cars 10. Artificial Intelligence & Automation Gone Wrong 11. Blockchain-The New Generation Tool for Cybersecurity 12. Blockchain As A Protector of The Agents of Automation 13. Summary and Conclusion 14. CHAPTER WISE QUESTIONS 15. GLOSSARY: AGENTS OF AUTOMATION About the author Deepika

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Within the last couple of years, the usage of drones in both the public and private (military) sector has exploded. People are talking about drones, building drones, and something most people didn't know of a few years ago is now a household name. Build a Drone will not only teach you how to build your very own drone, but will explain their history in the military and the impact they will have—and are starting to have—on our everyday lives. Author Barry Davies has built drones for DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency) and AAI (one of America's largest drone manufacturers), as well as six experimental ones for MIT. He not only understands their use in the world, but knows the ins-and-outs of how they can be created and handled. Explained in simple terms with full-color step-by-step directions, Davies will explain how to build your very own drone from ones created specifically for this book. Whether you plan on using drones for recreation or a more serious purpose (from search and rescue through farming to scanning construction work on a high-rise apartment buildings), Build a Drone will make sure that you not only understand how to construct a drone, but the proper and safe ways to maintain and handle them.

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