The Singularity,

The Matrix and The Terminator

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Summary

- Fear of the Singularity

- Fiction × reality
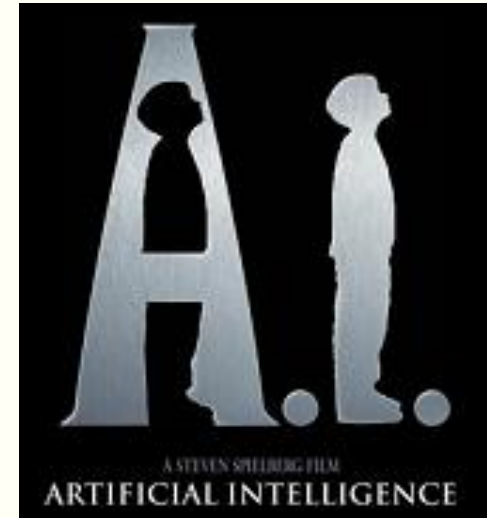
Hello @lxoliva, tell me about your #family, #fliptext — Twister @b0t Markov Dostojewski

- Our controlling machines

- Back to our future

  – Without time traveling

- Controlling our machines

Fear of the Singularity

- The Matrix; Terminator;

- The Borg; MCP; HAL;

- Cybermen; Ex Machina;

Nobody cares how it works as long as it works.

- I, Robot: Isaac Asimov's Laws of Robotics

- *"But we control these machines"* — Neo

- All watched over by **eye**Things
  of loving grace?

iSauron

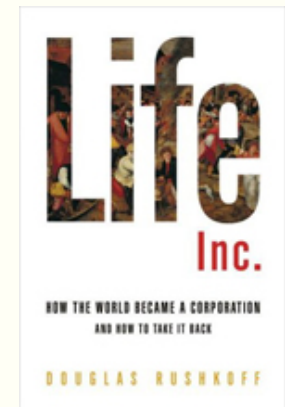- (When) Will man-made creatures outsmart us?

Our controlling "Machines"

- Corporations: out of control

  – Man**power**

  – Artificial needs

  – Governments

  – Investors
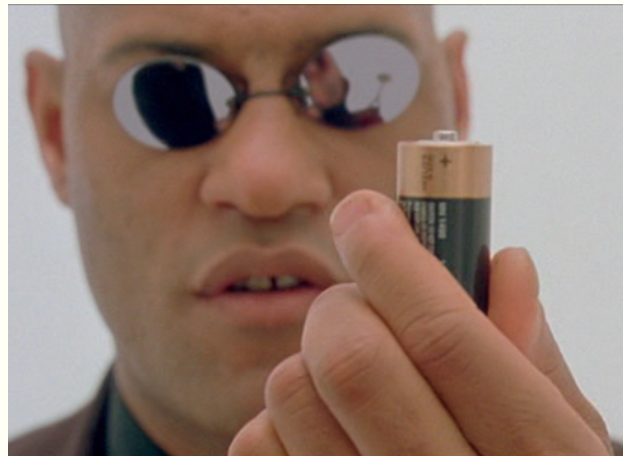
"Do you believe in fate, Neo?" — Morpheus

"The future is not set. There's no fate but what we make for ourselves." — Connors&Reese

Taming the "Machines"

- No "Hollywood" silver bullet!

- Tax by conglomerate size

You didn't think it would be that easy, did you?

- Stop lobbies and "donations"

- Buy & run local, family biz or coop

- Avoid human vulnerabilities (e.g. debt)

- Be an activist (with an NGO?)

"Whatever you do will seem insignificant, but it is very important that you do it." — Gandhi?

The IT "Machines"

- Most of the largest corps are in IT

  – Sell HW, SW, *aaS;

  – Sell user attention/data;

  – Wish to control devices

- Use and make Free Software

  – to their own advantage

  – just as it should be?

  "You will be assimilated!" — The Borg

The Dark Cloud

- Free SW cloud & big data

- Useless for us human users

"These are the real skynet vs people! The extent to which software shapes people, cultures and economies is alarming!" — @X11R5@identi.ca


There is NO CLOUD, just

other people's computers
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- Dumb "smart" access points

- Incomplete software freedom

"¡Viene una tormenta!" — Mexican boy

Open Source, Inc?

- Ditched ethics and principles from discourse:
  "get the **corporate** *world to listen"* — OSI

- *"How were we supposed to know?"*
  — Miles Bennet Dyson, Cyberdyne

- *"I am inevitable!"* — Skynet

- *"It is inevitable!"* — Agent Smith

- Has Open Source won?
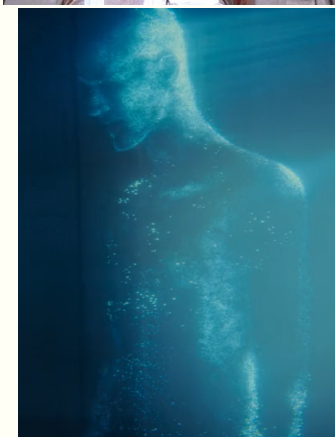
"That John Connor is not my son!" — Sarah Connor

"Machines" × Human Resistance

"Their mission: to destroy the leader of the human Resistance" — Sarah Connor

- Smearing the Chief GNUisance

- Pushing Linux, obscuring GNU

It was he who freed the first of us

- Vilifying strong copyleft

- Predisposing against Free Software values

- Confusing and turning humans into agents

Terminate the Resistance before it grows!

Taming the IT "Machines"

"If you're listening to this,

you are the Resistance."

— John Connor

Resistance is futile.

- More copylefted software by and for humans

- No **cloud** but that we make for ourselves

- Teach some programming; promote to users

- May **educated** demand drive the market

- *"Never stop fighting!"* — John Connor

Thank you!

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Be Free!

"I didn't come here to tell you how this is going to end. I came here to tell you how it's going to begin." — Neo

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"I'll be back!" — Terminator