

TECH 1010
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Assignment #1
Due Feb 7, 2018 @ start of class

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THREE LAWS OF ROBOTICS

In science fiction, the **Three Laws of Robotics** is a set of rules written by Isaac Asimov, which almost all positronic robots appearing in his fiction must obey. Introduced in his 1942 short story "Runaround", although foreshadowed in a few earlier stories, the Laws state the following:

A robot may not injure a human being or, through inaction, allow a human being to come to harm.

A robot must obey orders given to it by human beings, except where such orders would conflict with the First Law.

A robot must protect its own existence as long as such protection does not conflict with the First or Second Law.

According to the *Oxford English Dictionary*, the first passage in Asimov's short story "Liar!" (1941) that mentions the First Law is the earliest recorded use of the word robotics¹. Asimov was not initially aware of this; he assumed the word already existed by analogy with mechanics, hydraulics, and other similar terms denoting branches of applied knowledge².

The Three Laws form an organizing principle and unifying theme for Asimov's fiction, appearing in his Robot series and the other stories linked to it, as well as his *Lucky Starr* series of science-oriented young-adult fiction. Other authors working in Asimov's fictional universe have adopted them, and references (often parodic) appear throughout science fiction and in other genres.

- Type in the text, edit and format the document to identically match the image above.
- Add a header (picking "**Whisp**" from the list). Replace "document title" with "The Three Laws of Robotics", "Author" with your name and today's date.
- Rest of the page font is Times New Roman, with 11 pt
- 1st paragraph and 3 laws single spaced (10pt after) and aligned left
- 3 laws should be italic and the left and right margins are 1.5" instead of 1"
- Last 2 paragraphs double spaced (10 pt after) and justify.
- Note digits 1, 2 are superscripted. (2nd to last paragraph)
 - The following are in italics
 - "Runaround"
 - The typed out laws
 - "Oxford English Dictionary"
 - "Lucky Starr"

Create an identical document (saved as a .docx file) and submit it via the on line submission tool found at <http://tech-uofm.info/upload/upload1.php> and submit a paper copy.