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Recent advances in robotics, human-robot interactions (HRIs), and artificial intelligence (AI) are gaining attention for their engineering applications. Modern robotics approaches (industrial automation, medical robots, and social and service robotics) integrate Al-driven algorithms and procedures, enabling adaptive decisionmaking in dynamic environments. Innovations in these areas enhance flexibility and safety for human collaboration. In HRIs and human cyber-physical systems, breakthroughs in large language models (LLMs) and computer vision improve communication between humans and robots. Moreover, Al progress, particularly reinforcement learning and cognitive robotics, optimize real-time interaction performance and energy efficiency. Challenges still persist in explainable AI (XAI) for trustworthiness, ethical governance, and scalability in heterogeneous environments. Interdisciplinary approaches merging cognitive science, control theory, and edge computing are critical to address these gaps. Future directions include human-robot coevolution, leading to transformative impacts across healthcare, manufacturing, and smart cities.

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