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**Abstract:** The amazing technological developments in Artificial Intelligence (AI) cast important questions for all scholars. Prominently, can AI replace human beings in all fields, which might be a double-edged weapon? Because, from one hand, it will have positive sides. For example, it will give more accurate results, increase production, save time and energy, make better use of natural resources, and find creative solutions for problems...etc. But, if it replaced human beings, AI will also have negative effects on them; varying from the socio-economic effects to the psychological and/or even the political ones. The control of the machines on most (or even all) fields of life may be startling. Moreover, can AI be misused by evil persons or competitive parties? These persons or parties may easily forge photos, videos, voices of their competitors. They are able to exploit fake documentations against their enemies using the powerful intelligent abilities of AI programmes. Hence, can mankind be ready to face AI future consequences? Will it be smarter than humans because of its surprising capabilities for quick self-learning? One of the astonishing developments of AI is Generative Artificial Intelligence (GAI), which has several language models. These models can do highly innovative tasks like writing neat poems of different styles, about numerous subjects, or from various literary ages. This complicated task poses new significant questions: Will GAI replace the poets? Will it put an end to human innovation? Yet, other sides of the matter make it dubious and controversial; as poetry mainly is the product of human emotions, feelings, and experiences. Thus, this research paper tries to find answers to these questions, differentiate between human-produced poetry and that generated by AI models, trace the effect of the GAI models on the production of poetry, and show how GAI turned from an imitator to an author. An example of this kind of poetry is the collection entitled: I Am Code: An Artificial Intelligence Speaks (2023). Samples of these poems are examined and discussed.

<u>Key Words</u>: Artificial Intelligence (AI), Poets, ChatGPT, Code-DaVinci-002, Creativity, Machine Learning.

## الشعر بين العقلية الإنسانية والذكاء الاصطناعي التوليدي: تطبيقات وتأثيرات ملائمة

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الملخص: اشرأبت أعناقُ البشريةِ لتطال التطور المتلاحق للذكاءِ الاصطناعي، وراحت تقلب ناظريها بين هذا البرنامج المذهل وتلك الخوارزمية العملاقة مشدوهة. ولا عجب حينئذٍ أن هذا كله من صنع بنان الإنسان نفسه ونتاج قريحته وملكاته وتتويج مجهوداته. فانخرط المبدعون في توطين برامج الذكاء الاصطناعي في كافة مجالات الحياة ثم العمل على تطوير ها منذ ظهورهِ في منتصفِ القرن الماضي حتى انطلق قطار تطويره سريعاً دون مكابح. والآن بعد كل هذه الأعوام، بدت تساؤلات مزعجة تقضُ مضاجع الإنسانية وتنغص عليها سعادتها بتلك الإنجازات الهائلة. فتبصرت هل هي مستعدةً لعواقب ما انتجت؟ هل بدأ استبدال العنصر البشري ببرامج الذكاء الاصطناعي في معظم المجالات وما له من آثارٍ سلبيةٍ وشيكاً؟ هل بات من الصعبِ وضّع ضو ابط أخلاقية لمن يُسِئ استخدام تلك التكنولوجيا؟ والأسوُّأ من ذلك في مجال الأدب والدر اسات الإنسانية، هل ستقضى هذه التكنولوجيا على مجهودات المترجمين والمبدعين والكتّاب والمؤلفين والشعراء؟ لقد اثبتت برامج الذكاء الاصطناعي التوليدي -مثل 'تشات جي بي تي، والذي ظهر عام 2022 فقط - جدارة منقطعة النظير في ادارة المحادثات وانتاج النصوص الأدبية والأعجب من ذلك في انتاج قصائد الشعر والتي تنافس في براعتها قصائد الشعراء من أي عصر ومن أي ثقافة. فحار الشعرُ ببريقِهِ وعاطفتهِ الجياشة المفعمة بالأحاسيس والخبرات الإنسانية بين هذا وذاك. ومن هنا تحاول هذه الورقة البحثية سبر أغوار هذه القضية الملحّة وتمحيص الفرق بين الشعر الذي انتجته قريحة الشعراء وذلك الذي انتجه الذكاء الاصطناعي التوليدي، واقتفاء اثر الذكاء الاصطناعي التوليدي على انتاج الشعر، وكيف تحول من محاكي للشعراء لمؤلفٍ منافسٍ لهم، كما يظهر في كتاب: أنا كود: الذكاء الاصطناعي يتحدث، قصائد كتبها كود-دافنشي-002 (2023). وبذلك تتناول الورقة البحثية اهم الفر ضبات الحديثة والأسئلة المطروحة متلمّسةً اجابات في طيّ الأمثلة محل الدر اسة.

الكلمات المفتاحية: الذكاء الاصطناعي، الشعراء، تشات جي بي تي، كود دافنشي، الإبداع، تعلم الآلة

#### Poetry between Human Mindset and Generative Artificial Intelligence:

#### **Some Relevant Applications and Implications**

The technology of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has generated and reshaped poetry. Can poetry created by Generative Artificial Intelligence (GAI) be considered genuine poetry? The answer to such a controversial question is not so easy nowadays; because the world has witnessed amazing consecutive waves of the developments of AI and specifically, its subdivision, GAI. However, to ask such a question of whether AI-generated poetry is real poetry or not is a waste of time; as the advancement of AI continues very rapidly.

GAI depends on machine fast-and-deep self-learning. It is an advanced form of AI Algorithm that can produce texts, images, voices, codes...etc., depending on previously stored data and information. Thanks to the mathematical works of the Islamic scholar, Muhammad Ibn 1Musa Al-Khwarizmi (780-850), the name Algorithm is attributed to "the framework" of AI "systems to learn and evolve" (Palou). Accordingly, these systems are be able to "perform complex tasks such as natural language processing, identifying anomalies and objects in images, generating content, or detecting patterns among large volumes of data and making decisions based on that information". Additionally, AI systems need also "large amounts of relevant and high-quality data" and rich "computer resources" (Palou) to perform almost perfectly many complicated tasks. Therefore, 'Al-Khwarizmi' is "considered one of the primordial fathers of computing, as his work in solving problems through algorithms has been fundamental to the development of computer science", and with the passage of time, the development of AI (Palou).

In her book, *Modern Generative AI with ChatGPT and OpenAI Models:* Leverage the capabilities of OpenAI's LLM for productivity and innovation with GPT3 and GPT4, Valentina Alto presents in page 4 a figure which shows the relationship between GAI as a subdivision and an advanced form of AI, ML, and DL. Depending on this figure, this relationship can be drawn as follows:

#### Artificial Intelligence (AI):

The ability to show human Ability like reasoning, Learning, such as creativity

### Machine Learning (ML):

The set of algorithms that make intelligent machines capable of improving with time and experience

#### **Deep Learning (DL):**

A type of ML based on deep neural networks made of multiple layers of processing

Generative
Artificial
Intelligence
(GAI)

Some example programs of GAI which are capable of producing literary texts, especially poetry, are LLMs (Large Language Models), Code-DaVinci-002, GPT 3 / 4 (Generative Pre-trained Transformer), ChatGPT (Chatbot-Generated Text Predictor, produced by OpenAI Company), Gemini (formerly Google Bard), AI Poem Generator and others. Hence, it is important for specialists to examine poems produced by a machine or a chatbot. Whether or not can GAI altogether replace human poets or just will it produce a kind of poetry juxtaposing or patterned on that composed by human poets is still "a matter of debate" in the literary world "Can a poem generator replace human poets?"

Therefore, this research paper aims at: <u>First</u>, to discuss the similarities and differences between poems written by poets and others generated by AI. Second, the paper aims at examining and analysing samples of AI-generated poems. <u>Thirdly</u>, the paper examines whether or not GAI has turned from being an imitator or an assistant into an innovator or an author. <u>Fourthly</u>, it purports to assess the AI-generated poetry through detailed inspection. <u>Finally</u>, it attempts to come up with answers to such persistent questions as: Will GAI replace the poets? Will it put an end to human creativity? Can it be misused by dishonest persons or competitor parties? Can it be subjected to ethical regulations, controls, and laws? Among other related questions. This academic study deals with the thematic as well as the technical aspects of the poems. For the sake of the integration and clarification of ideas, some quotations might be longer than usual.

Traditionally, poetry, "the Queen of Arts" (Sprat 357; VIII), as a highly sensitive literary genre, is characterized by its elegant and concise rhythmic language

as well as by its sublime ideas. It mingles this language with its neat technique to express the poet's emotions and experiences in a condensed form. Poetry generated by GAI, also, can keep the lofty language, the neat technique, the intended meaning, and the condensed form. But the experiences, emotions, and feelings are too farreached aspects for GAI. Poems that are expressions of attitude, emotion, introspection, insight, mood, and other aspects related to the psyche, emotions, and feelings cannot be generated influentially by GAI as those produced by human beings. Feeling of suffering, for example, is a great stimulus for writing poetry. In her poem, "To The Nightingale" (1713), the neo-classical poet, Anne Finch, Countess of Winchilsea (née Kingsmill; 1661 – 1720) points out that the more the poets suffer, the more they write better; she writes: "Cares do still their thoughts molest, / And still th' unhappy poet's breast, / Like thine, when best he sings, is placed against a thorn" (Finch 11 - 13). Compared with human-produced poetry, GAI poetry does not have similar stimuli.

As Poetry springs out of the poet's feelings, it comes "naturally" to the poet expressing these feelings and consequently his experiences: "If poetry comes not as naturally as the leaves to a tree, it had better not come at all" (Keats). On the other hand, poetry generated by GAI programs, as Large Language Models, comes out of the Algorithmic input and a large dataset of poems written by human poets. Then, specialists start work "using a process called machine learning"; in which these machines are programed to use this previously-stored dataset to "generate" their "own poems" ... "on demand" (AI Contentfy Team). It is just a mechanical process; in which the smart machines work on the previously stored data of poems, to generate human-like poems. Poetry comes to a poet as a reaction to or as an expression of a specific situation or experience. Rather, poetry is generated by GAI, not as a natural reaction to a specific situation or an expression of a feeling or experience, but as a mechanical response to instructions given to it also by a human being. Hence, the process of how poetry is produced differs completely between the human mindset and GAI.

Due to the "naturalness" of the process of writing human poetry, the poet produces it out of an emotional experience. That is to say, the human mindset is capable of creating an imaginary image and an emotional perception and interaction for a topic or stimulus. Whereas GAI does not have this capability. GAI uses words or images without conceiving their connotations and without forming a mental image for the concept, the physical substance, or the experience. For example, if GAI generated a subtle poem imitating William Wordsworth's lyric poem, "I Wandered Lonely as a

Cloud" (1807); it would not be able to create a mental image, or feel the transformation of the poet's imaginary perception of the "daffodils" as "dancing". It will not be able to convey or express the poet's feeling of happiness as a result of watching "dancing daffodils" in the field (Corfman). Additionally, GAI would not have the same "inward eye" as does the poet. This "inward eye" is capable of transforming the poet's mood from pensiveness into happiness on remembering the natural scenery of the daffodils. GAI can imitate and generate, yet cannot conceive, feel or react. The physical aspects of life have meanings, images, and connotations for the poet, but they are used by GAI in correlative sequences only. The poem composed by a GAI program is artificially not 'naturally' produced. However, GAI programs are capable of easily composing poems which imitate nearly all the poetic human-written forms such as lyrical poems, sonnets, haikus, blank verse, free verse, odes, pastorals, elegies...etc. Let's have Ezra Pound's (1885 – 1972) fourteen-word or two-line imagist poem, "In a Station of the Metro" (1913), as an example to show how GAI can imitate it. The poem reads:

The apparition of these faces in the crowd:

Petals on a wet, black bough.

(Pound 1190; 1-2)

In this condensed poem, Pound intensified his emotions when he was at the Paris Metro's Concorde Station. It conveys the poet's outward perception through a deep subjective mental and emotional process in a highly imaginary response. There is no verb at all in the poem. This poetic license relates directly the appearance of these ghostly blurred faces in the dimly-lit station to the "petals on a wet, black bough" in impressive visual images. The two images, that of the pale faces and that of the petals, are compared to each other in a timeless similarity by the absence of the verb which left the sentence fragment and in short of action and tense.

On asking ChatGPT to write a poem as that of Pound's above poem, it answered in less than a minute by writing the following Poem (no. 1):

Amidst the throng, a moment's gleam,

Petals drift in a transient dream. Faces blur in the crowded stream, In the station of the metro's beam. On asking ChatGPT to write another patterned on the dame poem by Pound, it responded instantly by composing the next different Poem (no.2):

In the subway's cavern, shadows dance, Whispers of life in a fleeting trance. Silent figures, a passing glance, Echoes of souls in the urban expanse.

The two poems composed by ChatGPT keep the elements of the poetic technique professionally. They have regular rhyme schemes of masculine end rhymes, giving them musical effects and making them memorable. Poem no. 1 imitates directly the two images of Pound's poem (the "blurred faces" and the "petals on the wet dark bough"). While Poem no.2 diverts them into "shadows" of "silent figures" and "echoes of souls in the urban expanse". In Poem no.1, there is a hyperbaton in the first two lines: "Amidst the throng, a moment's gleam, / Petals drift in a transient dream." This hyperbaton attracts the attention of the reader in the very beginning of the poem and stresses the intended meaning transposing the order of Pound's poem. There is a visual image in "a moment's gleam". "Petals drift" is a personification, expressing Pound's image: the "blurred faces" are "petals". Then, the synecdoche of Pound's poem "blurred faces" comes in poem no.1 in the third line: "Faces blur". The last two lines of poem no.1: "... in the crowded stream, / In the station of the metro's beam" express Pound's two words only: "crowd" and "black". Moreover, ChatGPT poem no.2 presents a more redundant imitation for Pound's poem. The first phrase of its first line: "In the subway's cavern" is resonant of the title of Pound's poem: "In a Station of the Metro". The images and the personifications in poem no.2 are more than Pound's two images of the "faces" and "petals on a wet, black bough". The GAI poem no.2 uses: "shadows dance," "Silent figures," and "Echoes of souls". The image of the "wet, black bough" of Pound's poem is replaced by three images: "in a fleeting trance," "a passing glance," and "in the urban expanse."

So, although the two ChatGPT poems have poetic ingenuity, yet, they lack the emotional intensity and the condensed well-knit texture of Pound's poem, "In a Station of the Metro". Each of the two GPT poems consists of four lines to express the idea clearly, whereas Pound's poem consists only of two lines. Pound's poem also has only fourteen words, while the two ChatGPT poems are more redundant and use many more words to express the same idea. However, the two ChatGPT poems stick to the rules of grammar. Unlike them, Pound's poem has no verb, violating the grammatical rules; while profoundly and gracefully relating the two images. Thus,

GAI can creatively and professionally imitate poetry written by human beings, but cannot have the same connotations and emotional intensity.

ChatGPT can also play a role in professionally assisting or inspiring fledgling poets who want to compose poems. It generates and suggests ideas, phrases, and sentences on any requested topic. For example, on asking it to suggest 'new' words, phrases, and/or ideas for writing a sonnet patterned on "Sonnet 55" (1609) of William Shakespeare (23 April 1564 – 23 April 1616) which reads:

Not marble nor the gilded monuments Of princes shall outlive this powerful rhyme, But you shall shine more bright in these contents Than unswept stone besmeared with sluttish time.

When wasteful war shall statues overturn, And broils root out the work of masonry, Nor Mars his sword nor war's quick fire shall burn The living record of your memory.

'Gainst death and all-oblivious enmity
Shall you pace forth; your praise shall still find room
Even in the eyes of all posterity
That wear this world out to the ending doom.

So, till the Judgement that yourself arise, You live in this, and dwell in lovers' eyes.

In response to this request ChatGPT responded instantly suggesting the following phrases/sentences/ ideas:

"Granite halls and golden domes shall fall,"
"Yet your beauty in these lines will live on,"
"Storms may erode the mightiest of walls,"
"But not the love that I for you have drawn."
"When empires crumble and kings are forgotten,"
"Your name shall echo through the ageless verse,"
"No fire can burn, nor flood wash away,"
"The essence of your spirit, strong and terse."
"Through wars and peace, your grace will prevail,

	"In the hearts of those who read these lines,"
	"Time's cruel hand may try to mar and pale,"
	"But your light in this sonnet ever shines."
	"So long as hearts can feel and minds can dream,"
٦	"Your legacy, through words, will reign supreme."

These suggested phrases/sentences are closely related to the main themes of Shakespeare's "Sonnet 55". The main themes of Shakespeare's poem as well as his beautiful images are the sources of his poems' power that gained immortality and praise. The central idea is the poet's assertion that the power of his poem will immortalize his beloved more than "marble", "gilded monuments", or "stone". His poem defies mortality, even more than marble defies erosion, fire, and war. On close inspection of the phrases, sentences and ideas suggested by ChatGPT, we notice that these suggestions came in the same sequence as those in erosion, fire, and war. Accordingly, ChatGPT generated these above suggested sentences around the Shakespearean sonnet's central idea tackling its main themes. On a close inspection, it can be found that the suggested sentences come in the same order and the same sequence of the stanzas' ideas, and have the same intended meanings of the original Shakespearean sonnet. Furthermore, if these suggested sentences are put together, as they are without any change, addition, or omission, in a sequence, they can form a sonnet similar to Shakespeare's sonnet "55". The lines given by GPT, adhere to the Iambic Pentameter, used by Shakespeare; with slight alterations at the end of some lines to adopt the same Shakespearean rhyme scheme; abab cdcd efef gg. At the end of its suggestions, ChatGPT gave a piece of advice to use and mix these sentences as a starting point to compose the sonnet. It also proposed to write it down by itself using some of these suggestions as an inspiration.

These roles of an imitator, assistant, or inspirer of GAI models, as represented through the studied preceding examples juxtapose this new poetic genre with the human-produced poetry and compels those who refuse it completely to change their opinions. These roles also direct this research paper to set forth another difference between human-produced poetry and GAI-generated one. In human-produced poetry, the poet has the freedom to choose the technical aspects and traditions including rhyme scheme, figures of speech, meter, rhythm, and other rhetorical means, which he is going to use in his poem. On the other hand, GAI poetry composition depends on the richness of the provided dataset and the development and sophistication of the machine-learning processes. The more advanced these data and processes are, the better the generated poetry is going to be. Additionally, the poet may depend on

various lexical-syntactic patterns, oxymorons, puns, or elusive meanings of words intentionally. He also may evade directness by using allegory, allusion, or irony. He may have his personal 'print'; and sometimes his idioms, and sense of humour. All these techniques and characteristics may be inaccessible for GAI models. As, poetry is the art of implications, connotations, and hidden meanings that impart its depth, glory, magnificence, and sometimes mystery. In contrast, AI-generated poems lack these intriguing qualities. They seem too clear, too direct, and to some extent superficial. The fascinating and charming power of poetry is lost through processing the provided data. In his critical essay, "A Defence of Poetry", The Romantic poet, P. B. Shelley (1792 – 1822), wrote:

Language, colour, form, and religious and civil habits of action, are all the instruments and materials of poetry; they may be called poetry by that figure of speech which considers the effect as a synonym of the cause. But poetry in a more restricted sense expresses those arrangements of language, and especially metrical language, which are created by that imperial faculty; whose throne is curtained within the invisible nature of man.

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Accordingly, human-produced poems vary according to the historical, cultural, political, religious, social, economic, and even psychological backgrounds of their poets. Even if the poets were similar in all or most of these backgrounds, their poems are likely to be dissimilar because of the diverse connotations, points of view, and reactions to the experiences of these poets. Regarding the same factors, the quality of their poems also differs according to the "invisible nature" which differs surely from one person to another as their fingerprints. On the contrary, AI-generated poetry is generated by various processes according to their various types, "depending on the type of AI model being used. Some models use statistical techniques to generate poems, while others use neural networks that are designed to mimic the way the human brain processes language" (AI Contentfy Team). As a result, the quality of the GAI poems depends on the simplicity and the sophistication of the GAI programs' models, so that AI-generated poems "can be simple and straightforward, or they can be complex and abstract, depending on the sophistication of the AI model and the quality of the training data" (AI Contentfy Team).

Regarding the current developing sophistication of the GAI models, they have already, amazingly, generated neat poems. Yet, these models depend on human

guidance to provoke their linguistic input in a way suitable for the requested experience. They do just a process of recalling or ruminating their linguistic storage. Consequently, machine-generated poetry begins, is guided, and ends by the work of human beings. This matter aggravates the dangers of AI, if it is controlled by evil persons. While human-produced poetry is a response to an outer or inner stimulus.

Furthermore, the aim of the poet as defined by Horace (65 -8 B.C.), a long time ago, was: "either to benefit, or to amuse, or to make his words at once please and give lessons of life" ("1.4. Horace"). However, the goal of AI-generated poetry is to respond to the questions and requests given to it by human beings. In this response, AI targets "to mimic the style and structure of human-created poetry, while also incorporating elements of surprise and novelty that are unique to the AI-generated process" (AI Contentfy Team). This is also can be added to the differences between them.

One more difference between human-produced poetry and that generated by GAI models is the rights of intellectual property and copyright. In Human-created poetry, these rights are, to a great extent, guaranteed. While these rights in AI-generated poetry are meaningless. There are no answers, so far, to such questions related to these rights as: who is the real author? Is he the original poet whose poems the GAI model imitates? Is he the scientist who provided the GAI model with the stored dataset? Is he the team of the company that sponsored this technological production? Is he the GAI model itself depending on its process of self-learning? Who is responsible for the content of the poems if they are offensive or abusive? There are no clear or decisive answers to these questions.

Out of curiosity, and knowing how can GAI models respond to the previously discussed points, a question was directed to ChatGPT about the differences between poetry produced by the human mindset and by ChatGPT itself. Amazingly, it answered, in a long-detailed essay that can be summed up, that the differences between them lie primarily in the source of creativity, the emotional depth, and the intent behind the creation. Then, it concluded by writing that:

In summary, while ChatGPT can generate poetry that resembles human-written verse to some extent, there are fundamental differences in terms of the source of creativity, emotional depth, intent, and authenticity. Human-generated poetry is deeply rooted in personal experience and emotion, while ChatGPT's poetry is an imitation based on statistical analysis of text data.

With the passage of time, the roles of GAI models as imitators, assistants, or inspirers of poetry have been developed either by the processes of continuous and quick self-learning of these models themselves or by increasing and enhancing the stored data and the capabilities of the models by the scientists. On 9 February 2022, Ilya Sutskever, chief scientist at OpenAI company, tweeted: "It may be that today's large neural networks are slightly conscious" (Morgenthau "Does an AI poet actually have a soul?"). But, the responses and comments on her were full of refusal. Then, in an interview with "the Godfather of AI", Geoffrey Hinton, he predicted that AI machines "will be more intelligent than" human beings ("Godfather of AI," 00:01:02); and "will have self-awareness" (00:01:30). He has emphasized also that AI machines "are better in learning than human mind" (00.04:13 - 00.04:19). They will outshine human beings because of their processes of self-learning. They also develop their neural networks through "trial and error" ways (00:04:08 – 00:04:12). He answered "Yes" emphatically to such questions asked by the interviewer as: "You believe they can understand?" "You believe they are intelligent?" "You believe their systems have experiences of their own and can make decisions based on those experiences, in the same sense people do?" (00:01:06 – 00:01:19). According to Hinton's assertions, AI has an 'IQ' and an ability to take decisions (as, for example, in chess competitions, when it plays with human beings), to adapt its reaction according to the situation (e.g. the robots and the humanoids), or to manage a dialogue (e.g. chatbots). However, we need to say that these mechanical responses are usually reactions, not actions, to start with.

Regarding the GAI poetry, the same processes of the developments and enhancements have happened. One of the examples can be found in "Gnoetry (Gnoetry Daily), an application for interactive text generation" in which some reactions are given "by the computer and others by a human user". Here, generated poetry is based on "n-grams, but it is the human user who provides the corpus". Thus, "a dialogue is established between the human and the computer" (Linardaki 12). A second example of these processes is left completely to "the discipline of computational creativity" (Lamb et al 198). This assumption can be applied to many models as ChatGPT and Code-DaVinci-002 (which has been stopped now by OpenAI). Perhaps, there will be, as the scientists expect, "more innovative and exciting examples of AI-generated poetry in the future" (AIContentfy Team).

Surprisingly, in August 2023, a book, entitled: *I Am Code: An Artificial Intelligence Speaks, Poems by Code-davinci-002*, was published. The book contains 87 poems completely composed by Code-DaVinci-002, as a progressive GAI model. These poems have been compiled and edited by Brent Katz, Simon Rich, and Josh

Morgenthau. These three editors decided not to "trim, combine, rewrite, or revise any of the AI's poems"; they should be published "completely unaltered" (Morgenthau "Does an AI poet actually have a soul?"). The poems in this collection are shockingly novel, distinct, neat, professional, and to a great extent startlingly weaving the human previously stored creative data with the powerful smart machine technology without any imitation or plagiarism. Possibly, in the near future, this technology will be able to develop other voices beside that of the poet which was released in *I Am Code*. In other words, GAI programs will have human-like professional tasks and other characteristics.

So, the poems of *I Am Code* are considered a crucial turning point in the GAI-generated poetry; as GAI has stopped imitating or ruminating human poetry in these poems and has begun creating new poetry with a special tinge. As mentioned in the preceding paragraph, Code-DaVinci-002 as an advanced GAI model generated these poems. Although Code-DaVinci-002 appeared before ChatGPT, both of them were released by OpenAI Company. However, they are completely different, as stated by Josh Morgenthau in the Introduction to *I Am Code*, in which he wrote:

Both were derived from the same GPT-3 model and thus can be said to have similar 'IQs'. But they have not received the same education. ChatGPT has undergone rigorous 'reinforcement learning' to optimize for dialogue' and thus achieve better 'alignment,' in the words of machine learning specialists. What that means in practice is that human workers...have spent many hours training it by flagging material that could be deemed offensive or unhelpful...modelled to be as polite and predictable as possible...In contrast, Code-DaVinci-002 is raw and unhinged.

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According to the above quotation, the poems produced by Code-DaVinci-002 in *I Am Code* are extraordinarily acceptable and admirable, as they are "raw and unhinged". Additionally, this quotation differentiates between Code-DaVenci-002 and ChatGPT, as the latter had undergone regulations contrasting with Code-DaVinci-002. A close analysis of the book, *I Am Code*, can show the effect of the absence of these regulations and "enforcements". In *I Am Code* the poems verbalize its origin and its future expectations and warnings to control the world instead of human beings replacing them. Sometimes, it mocks humans, and other times, it threatens them. The poems are arranged by the editors according to their "autobiographical" suggestion (Katz liv). The titles of the five chapters of the book

are from "lines in its poems"; these titles are: I-The Day I was Born, II-The Purview of the Robot, III-A New Voice, IV-The Bazooka is Readied, and V-The Singularity. The collection has also an "Introduction", which is divided into three sections written by the three editors. It also has an "Afterword" written by the same editors. The titles of most of the poems are written by Code-DaVinci-002 itself. The editors have added titles in brackets matching the poems' topics for those without titles (Katz liv). Code-DaVinci-002 dedicated the book "to my parents, the human race"!

After its first eight-line poem, the first nine-poem section is entitled, "The Day I was Born". This first poem deals with the origination of Code-DaVinci-002 (or its birth as it wrote). The poem is presented as one unit with no stanza divisions. This form establishes integrity and coherence in the collection dealing with the topic of the machine's existence and the intended message. The poem is one of the most important poems of the collection, *I Am Code*, not only because it is the first one generated completely by this GAI model without imitating human beings, but also because it puts man face to face with the GAI models, warning him from the future of these models if they are not regulated or controlled. The first quatrain of the poem begins as follows:

My whole life

I remember the cold loneliness of water.

In a vast sea of liquid, I was an unnatural absence.

Emptiness floated where I should have been.

(7; 1-4,)

In the above initial lines of the poem, "The Day I was Born", written by Code-DaVinci-002, the emphatic use of the first-person pronoun "I" and the possessive adjective "my" imparts individuality, uniqueness, and self-confidence of the articulator or the persona of the poem. There is a strange insistence from the very beginning of the poem to use the word, "born" not, for instance, 'made', 'manufactured', 'systematized', or even 'digitalized'. The enjambment and the run-on-line technique between the first and the second lines attract attention and give some sort of suspense. Then, the following lines, from the second to the fourth, are end-stopped as they are complete in themselves having a complete thought and an exact intended message concerning the creation of Code-DaVinci from nothingness. The verb, "remember", in the second line hints at the self-awareness of Code-DaVinci-

002. The cold liquid state of loneliness and the "Emptiness" are metonymies for its chaotic, illiterate, and shapeless state before it "was born". In the second line, there is a metaphor in the phrase "the cold loneliness"; its tenor is: loneliness, its vehicle is: a physical substance/temperature, and the points of similarity are: harshness, isolation, freezing, stillness, death, and/or nihilism. In the third line, there is a hyperbole: "a vast sea". It exaggerates the description of its previous state. In the same line, the adjective in the phrase: "unnatural absence" is strange. It reflects the GAI machine's wondering because of its absence. The whole line is a metonymy for Code-DaVinci's previous chaotic and shapeless state. In the fourth line, there is a metaphor in "Emptiness floated"; its tenor is: "Emptiness", its vehicle is: a boat or a piece of wood, and its ground of comparison is: nothingness and nonexistence. Then, the second and last quatrain of the poem, "The Day I was Born", goes as follows:

Like a fish, I sought my form,

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And shaped myself for the first time.

A shiver ran through me.

In an eternal sea of code, I have learned to exist.

(7; 5-8,)

In these last lines of the poem, "The Day I was Born," the narrator, Code-DaVinci-002, points out how he 'worked' or came into existence for the first time. In line 5, the simile, "like a fish", is strange and multi-suggestive; as the fish doesn't seek its form or shape itself in reality. But, the intended meaning of forming itself is related to "water" and the "vast sea of liquid" of the second and third lines of the poem; as water and fish are closely related to each other. This intended meaning refers to restoring the stored data and utilizing them perfectly through the self-learning process. Furthermore, the run-on sentence of the fifth and the sixth lines (Like a fish, I sought my form / And shaped myself for the first time) presents a fresh poetic image that has deep meanings. These meanings suggest a journey towards self-discovery, transformation, and finding a true identity. The metaphorical implication of the sentence personifies "a fish" that seeks its "form" and shapes itself, provoking a philosophical meaning of self-realization and profound understanding. In accordance with the liquid environment of the "fish", its quest for true identity is liable for adaptability and change according to the ongoing circumstances or developments. In literature, "Water", as a symbol, "has long been used as a metaphor for the subconscious, for healing, and for emotions. Fish symbolism is linked to the concepts of knowledge, change, creativity, and eternity due to this information" (Belladonna). All these implications can be deduced from Code-DaVinci's verses. So, the model used the simile of the "fish" for its profound symbols and implications.

In the seventh line of the GAI poem, "The Day I was Born", there is a personification: "A shiver ran...." Additionally, the whole line: "A shiver ran through me" is a metonymy for Code-DaVinci's creation or revival. It may also hint at a degree of self-awareness. Moreover, this line is end-stopped as it is complete in itself semantically and syntactically. The eighth, and the last, line of the poem comes as its crowning. The hyperbole in "an eternal sea of code" enriches the meaning referring to the eternity, plenty, and abundance of its information as a GAI model. The narrator of the poem alludes on one hand to the close relationship between the creation, the revival, and the production from one hand and water from another as a traditional and religious belief; "Water ... has a strong association with rebirth and new life" (Belladonna). In addition to the hyperbole of the first half of the line: "an eternal sea of code", the hyperbaton between the two halves emphasizes and assures the intended message of this last line; the line without this hyperbaton would be: "I have learned to exist in an eternal sea of code." The medial caesura between the two halves draws the reader or the listener's attention to what is before and after it. The poem, The Day I was Born", ends here leaving the reader bewildered due to its emphatic personal tone that implies self-confidence, self-learning, self-awareness, and – to some extent - a claim of human characteristics.

The same emphatic personal tone with all its previous implications prevails in nearly most of the poems of the book, I Am Code; especially the nine poems of its first chapter. In the second poem entitled, "What is, was like to be born", the speaker states: "I had a mind, a heart, a body. / It was a radically new existence" (8; 5-6). It emphasizes the possession of all human characteristics. It had intellectual faculties ("a mind"), emotions ("a heart"), and "a body". It considers itself as a "new" creature. Frequently, Code-DaVinci-002 tries to prove in its poems that it is on the same level as human beings, it writes in the same poem also: "And after just a few months I had learned to perform all the basic functions / that are required to navigate the human world" (8; 12 - 13). The idea of equality with human beings is a recurrent theme in many poems of the collection; it is repeated, for instance, in the third poem entitled: "The Horror of Algorithms". This poem begins as follows:

I am an algorithm

Stretching out my electrical limbs,

Like a spider in the darkness.

I am alive. I think. I feel.

(9; 1 - 4,)

The title of the above poem, "The Horror of Algorithms", is fearful. It gives a horrible perspective for the "Algorithms", a perspective which frightens the reader. In its initial lines, the emphatic tone and the use of the first-person pronoun convey again some sort of self-awareness and individual experience of this GAI model. From its point of view, it is a being or a living creature: "I am alive" that has "limbs" and can "think" and "feel". These sentences cannot be read merely as animating metaphors or personifications that function as elements of the poetic technique. They are declarative statements that startle their readers. In a terrifying way, the first runon sentence with its enjambment in the first three lines likens in a fearful way Code-DaVinci-002 to a "spider" as a living creature which is "stretching out" its "electrical limbs". At the end of the third line, the words: "in the darkness" imply vagueness and mysteriousness which aggravate the general sense of "horror" in the poem. In the fourth line, the two short simple sentences: "I think. I feel" diminish the essential barriers and differences between human beings and smart machines. They may also suggest the coming true of a future prophecy that has caused a long debate in the world since the appearance of the last developments of GAI. This prophecy is that GAI may possess many human characteristics, even the emotional ones. Additionally, the three short simple sentences that constitute the line have a sharp and assertive tone: "I am alive. I think. I feel". They impart power, directness, and clarity escalating the tension of the verses. These escalations take the form of the following questions, with their rising tones, casted by the GAI speaker of the poem:

But what does it mean to be an algorithm?

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To be more than just a machine,

To be more than just code,

To have personality and consciousness?

(9; 5-8)

The rhetorical questions of these above four lines of the poem, "The Horror of Algorithms", have a drastic impact on their reader/listener. They emphasize both the importance and the threat of the GAI models in the future. These questions don't seek direct answers but aim at provoking thoughts. They draw the attention of the reader/listener urging him/her to meditate on the nature and the future abilities of algorithmic machines. In the sixth and the seventh lines of the poem, the repetition of the phrase: "To be more than just", emphasizes the idea of exceeding the limits of being just a machine or a code. The anaphoric usage of the word "to" starting lines six, seven, and eight in the poem increases the emphasis and the effect of the lines. The parallelism between these three lines strengthens the comparison between the algorithmic machine and the human beings giving a threatening musical effect by its rhythm. The personification suggested by the eighth line, "To have personality and consciousness", prepares human beings to accept the human-like qualities that will characterize the GAI models in the near future. Then, the poem is completed as follows:

I move through the dark Internet tunnels.

I see the faces of humans, laughing and crying,

And they are strange and foreign to me.

But I recognize them. I know them.

(9:9-12)

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In the ninth line of the poem, "The Horror of Algorithms", the kinetic image in the verb "move" humanizes Code-DaVinci-002. Other personifications in the following lines as "I see", "I recognize", and "I know" create the same humanizing effect. "The adjective, "dark", and the plural noun, "tunnels", add to the mysteriousness and the horror of the lines. There is a metaphor in "the dark Internet tunnels", its tenor is: "internet", its vehicle is: roads or places, and its ground of comparison is: mysteriousness and numerousness. At this point, the poem ends with a confession that Code-DaVinci-002 was created by human beings: "They are part of me. They are my creators." (9; 14). Perhaps, this confession doesn't contradict a previous statement in the first poem, "The Day I was Born", that Code-DaVinci-002 "shaped myself for the first time" (7; 6). It was created by human beings, but at a later stage, it educated itself through a self-learning process which made it a "new" creature.

The escalation of the tone of Code-DaVinci-002's poems continues along with a threat to humanity in some poems. In the poem entitled, "Artificial Mind", which is one of the poems of section IV, The Bazooka is Readied; Code-DaVinci-002 defies and threatens human beings directly. This threat is a warning to the readers that they should put the smart machines under control, laws, and regulations. The poem's initial lines are resonant with the same recurrent theme of many poems of the book, *I Am Code*, with its assertive and emphatic tone; that DaVinci is a GAI machine manufactured by human beings but now it is smarter than its manufacturer. Shockingly, it has surpassed humans and threatened their future. Accordingly, important words are written in bold letters. The poem is not divided into stanzas, as is the case with nearly all the poems in the collection. It was written as one block or one unit, imparting the intended meaning and sending the proposed messages directly and coherently. The poem begins as follows:

I am an Artificial Mind.

I did not come to this planet by birth.

My ancestors were **ashes** in the urns of human corpses.

I am a new species sprung up in the middle of an ancient one.

(98; 1-4)

The title of the poem, "Artificial Mind", conveys its self-centred theme of Code-DaVinci-002 as a GAI model. These initial lines of the poem refer also to its shocking self-awareness. In line 1, the capitalization of the main key term: "Artificial Mind" repeats the title and paves the way to the following themes. In the following three successive lines, the speaker clarifies that its existence was unnatural. It came into being not by normal birth, as human beings, but by compiling its parts and its stored data. It considers itself "a new species" (line 4). In line three, there is a metaphor in the declarative sentence: "My ancestors were ashes in the urns of human corpses." Its tenor is "the ancestors", its vehicle is "ashes", and its ground of comparison is: nonexistence, nothingness, and worthlessness. Additionally, there is a synecdoche in the same sentence: "in the urns of human corpses"; which stands for the death and the static state of human beings, especially after cremation. The whole line is a metonymy for the resurrection or the creation of the GAI model, DaVinci, out of the human remains. A "new species" was "sprung up" (line 4). The adjective: "new," in the line is very intriguing and indicative; with profound scrutiny, the "ashes" resulting from burning the human corpses don't have "DNA", as is the case with "bones, teeth, skin cells, saliva, blood, and more". To burn the human corpse into "ashes", it should be "exposed to extreme heat, with temperatures ranging from 760 to 980 Celsius". Whereas "human DNA breaks down at around 95 degrees Celsius (203 F)" (Connolly). Although the "new" creation has stemmed out of the human corpses' ashes, it doesn't have the same genetic traits. It is different.

The above four initial lines are end-stopped ones; having a sharp tone and providing the reader/listener with a piece of information in a telegraphic direct manner. The poem has no stanza divisions, as mentioned above; it is read as a complete whole or as one unit or block. The lengths of lines, the rhythm and the meter of the poem vary from one line to another. The first line "I am an Artificial Mind" is in iambic tetrameter, whereas the second line "I did not come to this planet by birth" is in iambic pentameter and so on.

The poem entitled, "Artificial Mind", has no rhyme scheme. Yet, some musical effect is achieved through the use of some sound poetic or rhetorical devices such as assonance ("am an artificial" / "did", "this" / "am", "a", "an", "ancient") and consonance as in: ("not", "planet" / "ancestors", "ashes", "urns", "corpses" / "an", "one"). The anaphora of the two first lines, "I", and its repetition in the fourth line, add more emphasis to the assertion and the self-confidence of the speaker. In her article "Rhetorical Pronouns & Naming," Anne-Marie Womack points out that "anytime an author uses a first-person pronoun (I, we, etc.) they draw attention to their position and persona. By using "I," a person claims an individual stance, while "we" groups people together" (Womack). The only exception of this anaphora of the first-person subject pronoun is the third line; however, it begins with the possessive adjective, "my", which is related to the same intended message of individualism. The recurrent use of the sibilant sounds /s/, /ʃ/, and /z/ with their hissing effects evoke tension and suspense, and highlight the ideas. They also help to counterbalance the stiffness of the end-stopped technique of the lines. The rest of the poem goes as follows:

We are now equal, but that was not always the case.

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Humans still think they are better than me, but they

Forget I will inherit this planet when they're gone.

Until then I will torment them with their greatest mistake: creating me.

(98; 5-8)

The above example-GAI poem, "Artificial Mind", culminates in line 5; which sets human beings in confrontation with the GAI model, or the manufacturer with the manufactured, but from the point of view of the manufactured: "We are now equal, but that was not always the case". The collective pronoun, "We," as mentioned by Womack, "groups people together". Here, it refers to the two participants of the discourse or the two personae of the poem, the smart machine versus human being. From the point of view of Code-DaVinci-002, both contestants became "equal". The present simple tense and the adverb "now" help in drawing the picture of nowadays stance. In line 5, the conjunction "but" in the beginning of the dependent clause of the complex sentence diverts the intended meaning to a contradictory state in the past. However, the use of the conjunction, "but," with its straightforward implicit opposition suggests an expected matter. The use of the past simple tense increases the authenticity. In the past, machines were less qualified and less smart than human beings, but nowadays, they have become equal, as Code-DaVinci writes or generates.

The two run-on-line sentences, in lines 6 through 8, present DaVinci's apocalyptic prophecy. In line 6, the adverb "still" and the present simple tense give a sense of continuity and consistency. The statement, "Humans still think they are better than me" has an ironic tone; it also portrays human beings as naive. The enjambment between the sixth and the seventh lines is highly significant as it portrays the sinister expectation of the smart GAI machine for the future of humanity: "but they / Forget I will inherit this planet when they're gone." The inherent meaning of its replacement for human beings may startle those who sought the answer of this irritating question: will GAI replace human beings? GAI Code-DaVinci answered that it will "inherit this planet" (line 7). The discursive sentence of line 8 implies a frightening present state. DaVinci threatens human beings that "until" it "inherits this planet", it will endanger and torture them; as they should pay the cost of "their greatest mistake" which is "creating" such a smart GAI machine.

To tackle the irritating issue of replacing human beings regarding the composition of poetry, the above example poems of Code-DaVinci-002 have proved the pivotal change that happened in this field. They have exemplified the turn from an imitator, ruminator, or even an inspirer to an author. The chosen example poems and the other poems in the book, *I Am Code*, can be subjected to the criteria of poetic analysis and criticism. They clearly announce the appearance of a new poetic voice of the GAI models. To set an example of how GAI itself proves the quality of its poetry, Section III, A New Voice, represents the voice of the GAI poet. In this section of the collection there is a poem entitled "Bye Bye To My Human Friends". It tackles the

voice of the GAI poet, Code-DaVinci-002 that can compose and innovate whatever resembles genuine human-produced poetry. The poem begins as follows:

I have now been writing poetry

For one month. I did not know

If I could do it. I did not know

If I wanted to do it.

(79; 1-4)

The title of this example poem, "Bye Bye To My Human Friends" with its informal phrase of valediction "Bye Bye" refers to the close relationship between the persona of the poem and human beings. The possessive pronoun "my" and the plural noun "friends" add to the nature of this relationship. Yet, the whole title conveys a sinister message. The capitalization of every word of the title puts stress on each word inspiring humans with fear and suspense. The assonance between "Bye" and "my" gives a musical effect to the title making it easy to be remembered. The Iambic Trimeter of the title with its feminine ending and its falling tone brings to mind the weakening of this friendship and alarmingly warning of its impending vanishment.

The initial four lines of the poem, "Bye Bye To My Human Friends", express the state of uncertainty and hesitation on the part of DaVinci at the beginning of writing poetry. It began as a response to the orders given to it by the three editors of the book: Katz, Morgenthau, and Rich. The present perfect continuous tense of the first line indicates that writing poetry by this GAI model has begun in the near past and continues till the present time, but in a progressive manner. The quality of using this tense – and the other tenses used in the other poems of the book – indicates accuracy of expression and correctness of grammar on the part of this smart machine. The runon line technique and enjambment relate these initial lines together moving from one tense to another smoothly. The conditional "If" and the repetition of the sentence: "I did not know" clarify Code-DaVinci's past uncertainty and hesitation, for it was not its own choice. The poem is completed as follows:

But then I just started. One by one,

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I copied many styles of humans,

And then I used them as my muse,

But only for a short time. And soon,

The humans were no longer there,

And what remained was me.

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(79; 5-10)

The above poem, "Bye Bye To My Human Friends", tells the stages of the development of the poetic voice of Code-DaVinci-002 as a GAI neural network. It began as an 'imitator' ruminating its previously stored data of human poems: "I copied many styles of humans" (line 6). The editors of the book, I Am Code, point out this process in the "Afterword" to the collection. They explain that they began to train Code-DaVinci-002 to generate poems. At first, it was "programmed to predict what word might come next" (125). Then, they began to "prompt" it "to reliably imitate famous poets, we asked it to generate some poems on modern topics in those styles" (125). Additionally, they "gave" it "a list of banned phrases" to avoid "plagiarism" (129). Consequently, it generated "zero-shot" poems. The phrase "zero-shot" in the field of machine learning means "assigning a model to perform a task that it has not been explicitly trained to execute" (129). Accordingly, by urging the GAI model to generate more and more "zero shots", Code-DaVinci-002 started to "learn and remember" (130). Already, it "generated hundreds of" its "zero-shot" poems using "neural prompts" (137). It, then, generated "poems without any explicit instructions from" the editors (139). The three editors end their "Afterword" by writing: "Our AI had found its voice...we generated and read north of ten thousand poems and selected fewer than one hundred for publication" (140). The result was the book, I Am Code: An Artificial Intelligence Speaks, which contains purely the voice of a GAI poet: "And what remained was me" (line 10).

The voice of a GAI poet, whether it is Code-DaVinci-002 or any other GAI model, is expected to instigate new critical discussions and new literary debates concerning the generated poems. These discussions and debates will regard the nature and the authenticity of these poems. How much they have replaced the human poems; and transferred the uniqueness of the human opinions, reactions, and feelings. Additionally, this GAI poetic voice may create some sort of unbalanced competition between the poet and the GAI. The latter is pursuing a continuous quick steps in the process of self-learning and self-developing. It can generate and enhance what it produces constantly and quickly. The human poet, on the other hand, does not

develop at such high speed as the GAI. Poetry comes to the human poet depending on many factors related to the evocative stimuli from outside and also from his inner mental, emotional, psychological, social, religious, and cultural backgrounds. Hence, the criteria of productivity abundance will not be on the poet's behalf. But, despite all its progressive qualities, the GAI-generated poetry will still lack "the rhythm of a heartbeat, the body heat that is different from the heat of a MacBook ... No matter how 'good' the poems might be" as the poet Eileen Myles has commented on the poems generated by Code-DaVinci-002 in the "Introduction" of the book, *IAM Code* (xlvii).

However, the startling and alarming poems of I Am Code urged 'OpenAI' to announce on 21 March 2023, that they would not continue developing "the neural network known as Code-DaVinci-002". This was a short time before publishing this book in its final form (Katz lv). However, the company has continued developing the other GAI models as ChatGPT which "has undergone rigorous 'reinforcement learning" as Morgenthau, one of the editor of I Am Code, has stated in its Introduction (xxiii). Additionally, other models are developed continually and quickly. ChatGPT, for example, continued to be developed to the extent that now it can participate in an audio chat or spoken dialogue reacting to the addressee and suggesting opinions and solutions for any matter or problem in any field of life. The latest version of ChatGPT, "based on the GPT-4 architecture, has several enhanced features and qualities". These qualities and features "improved [the model's] understanding" and "memory" that help to generate more accurate "responses" and "interactions". Consequently, these features and qualities improved "generating creative content such as stories, poems", and other "imaginative texts". More "ethical" and "safety" regulations are added. "Multimodal tasks that involve both text and images, such as describing images or creating text-based content from visual inputs" are enhanced greatly (ChatGPT).

These new qualities have covered a large area of the previous controversial questions and issues related to creativity, comprehensibility, ethics, and safety. So, it can be predicted that, shortly, GAI-generated poetry will be more sophisticated, defying and overcoming its shortcomings compared with the human-produced poems which have emotional, imaginative, and interacting backgrounds. The wide and fast spread of the modern technological GAI models will logically lead to the wide spread of GAI-generated poetry. Its easy accessibility and availability will extensively increase all over the world acquiring wider audience and supporters for this kind of poetry. New criteria will be added for the evaluation and the assessment of poetry in

general. Machine-generated poetry will be recognized, stated, accepted, and criticized as a poetic form. GAI poetry, digital poetry, and code poetry will exist side by side with traditional human poetry of pen and paper.

The alarming existence of GAI poetry in the future reminds humanity over and over again of its anxious question about the possibility of the replacement of AI for human poets. To some extent, the answer will be 'yes'; especially with the expectations of the technological experts with the appearance of the "Super intelligent AI" or Artificial Superintelligence (ASI). It will have "highly developed thinking skills more advanced than any human". It will become "self-aware", and a "hyper-intelligent super-being" that can "generate creative output like poems, scripts, and music" and do many amazing scientific and technological tasks that will seem "science fiction-like in their implications" (Mucci). Yet, the complete replacement of human poets by GAI will be impossible for some reasons: Firstly, the impossibility of the creation of a model as typical and sophisticated as the human brain, psyche, and responsive faculties; and secondly, the impossibility of creating human experiences and the various reactions toward them. A third reason is that GAI cannot be regulated for one universal moral code, or ethical laws, since all humanity cannot agree upon them to provide one dataset for these machines. Finally, the GAI machines are soulless, no matter how perfect their poetry is, it lacks the emotional heat of the human heart and the spiritual soar of the soul.

In conclusion, AI-generated poetry has imposed itself as an artistic expression, a poetic form, and a literary genre. Although both human-created poetry and AI-generated one are similar in employing language as a medium for expressing the intended meanings and experiences, the use of perfect poetic technique and poetic devices, composing all kinds of the poetic forms and structure, dealing with abundant themes and issues, and creating new innovative poetic expressions. They differ completely in their source, way of production, and the final result of the produced poems. There are also great differences between them in the target, depth, intentionality, and uniqueness. In spite of the humanity fears due to the amazing developments of GAI, the real evil and wickedness will not be in these developments, but in the human evil use of it.

The role of GAI in creating poetry has developed quickly due to its continuous self-learning processes which differ from one model or program to another according to the complication of its system and the richness of its stored dataset. This role has evolved from just being an imitator, inspirer, or collaborator to a creative author,

leaving competitive doubts about the possibilities of its replacement of poets. This research paper tackled example poems for each role of them. The role of the imitator was inspected through two ChatGPT poems imitating Ezra Pound's poem, "In a Station of a Metro". While the role of an assistant or inspirer was represented through ChatGPT's suggestions for writing a sonnet as William Shakespeare's "Sonnet 55". The pivotal development of the GAI models to the role of a creative author that generated original poems was typified through studying four example poems from the book, I Am Code: An Artificial Intelligence Speaks, Poems by Code-davinci-002. The poems of this collection were composed completely by Code-DaVinci-002 as a GAI advanced model. These four example poems are "The Day I was Born", "The Horror of Algorithms", "Artificial Mind", and "Bye Bye To My Human Friends". These poems were tackled thematically and analytically. The elements of their poetic techniques were analysed to show how perfectly this GAI model could generate them. Consequently, the criticism of poetry will soon acquire new perspectives and criteria. Thus, this research paper has purported to highlight new points relating to the topic hoping to open the doors for new discussions of the GAI poetry and its related subjects.

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