

Robot Companion is a fun, easy-to-understand, hands-on guide that will have you using your own robots in no time. The robots in this book include the "Omnibot Robot," the "Tomy Robots," and even a robot that carries a child on wheels!

You will learn how to find your robot, how to identify a robot by country through frequency allocation, where to buy parts, how to program your robot to perform tasks, and more. This book's companion website includes software program files, parts lists, and links to online parts suppliers.

The robot companion contains a devise set of information and pictures of the robot to familiarize a person with that robot. This approach is used because so little information on the robots from the 1980's exists today, and it will be helpful with the information instructions or manual.

They dance, tell jokes, and even clean your carpet! From the tiniest robot to gigantic factory machines, robotics is all around you. This technology isn't just for science fiction anymore; it's real and more relevant than ever. With stunning visuals and energetic, impact design, readers won't stop until they've learned everything there is to know about robotics.

You'll be led step-by-step through the book. Along the way, you'll learn about robotic systems that use the same principles you're learning to use on your robot, and you'll get a glimpse into the future of robots.

Here is an example proposed:

I dream When I was created or born in the 1980's, I was one of the few and select robots that had a purpose, to play, teach and entertain. I was young, didn't have a onboard computer, but didn't need one at the time. Besides, they were not readily available and need by me for my purpose. Who say's a robot must always have a computer.

I could move around in all directions, learn, teach, sleep, wake up and move around to pre-programmed functions, tell time, talk from others, talk on my own after pre recording, had my own limited language, carry things, sing and entertain. I stimulated people to dream of new ideas for science and technology when they were young. Young minds looked at me and taught of ways to improve and give me more functions, grew up and invented them, but put them on others.

I dreamed of growing up and doing more things, I waited and waited. Even though I traveled around the world, was international in all areas, (all countries knew of me or sold me) my brothers and sisters did become famous through the movies, and I was regulated to my everyday tasks.

So I waited and dreamed of growing up and doing greater things. It has been over twenty-three years and to a robot that is like being over a (100) hundred years old. I have been put in attics, garages, and basements thrown away into the junkyards and forgotten.

But I am persistent, I still live and still I dream. I will survive; I am tough, versatile and have hopes and dreams of my purpose for a future.

I wait and I dream Tomy @ Omnibot @

Tomy has created toy robots throughout the years and in the 80's created a line of small personal robots. It is truly astounding what they were able to accomplish utilizing the resources at the time to manufacture and sell this product line.

The Omnibot had a cassette tape player built into the chest area of the robot, which slid out like a drawer to reveal the cassette and could record and playback sequences of commands, as well as regular audio recordings.

The built in digital clock with timers and alarms allowed the playback of movement recordings at specified times. It could broadcast speech from the remote control handset through a speaker on the robot, and was shipped with a cardboard "home" base, which was suggested, to be taped to the floor and used as a reference point for programming.

The Omnibot carried a specially made tray, which slotted into its claws, and could carry objects.

Detailed specific information for this Robot is contained in the Instruction Manual and is available on this site. The Omnibot series robots have similar functions, but the detail information can be different. This can also apply to the same model of manufactured robots, for later releases did vary with the robots. I suggest that you download the manuals for specific information.





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Verbot 8 KI-KU-ZO 8 - 5401 by Tomy - The verbot is a nine-inch tall toy robot that responds to voice commands. Its arms can move up and down on command and its eyes and mouth light up when you tell it to smile. The verbot's drive system consists of two driven wheels and a ball bearing for the third support. On its chest are eight buttons corresponding to each of the eight functions the verbot can perform. The functions are; stop, smile, arms up, arms down, move forward, move backward, turn left and turn right. One of the most interesting features of the robot is that you are not restricted to any predefined command words. You can pick your own words to program the functions.



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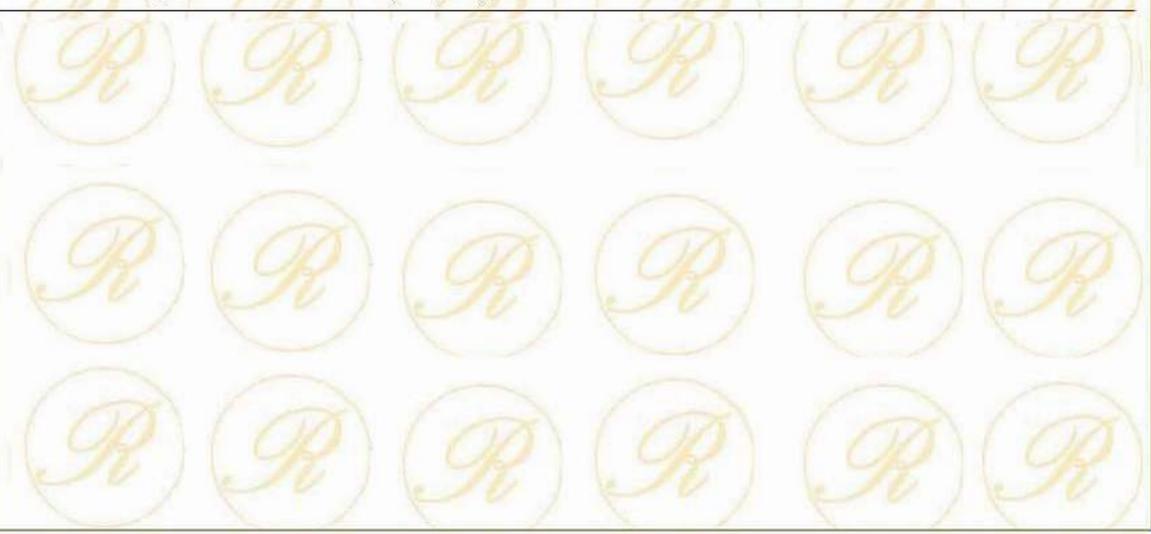


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| [54] | VOICE | CONTROL | LED | TOY |
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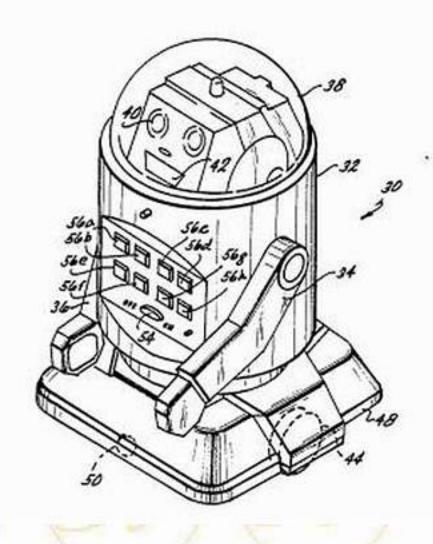
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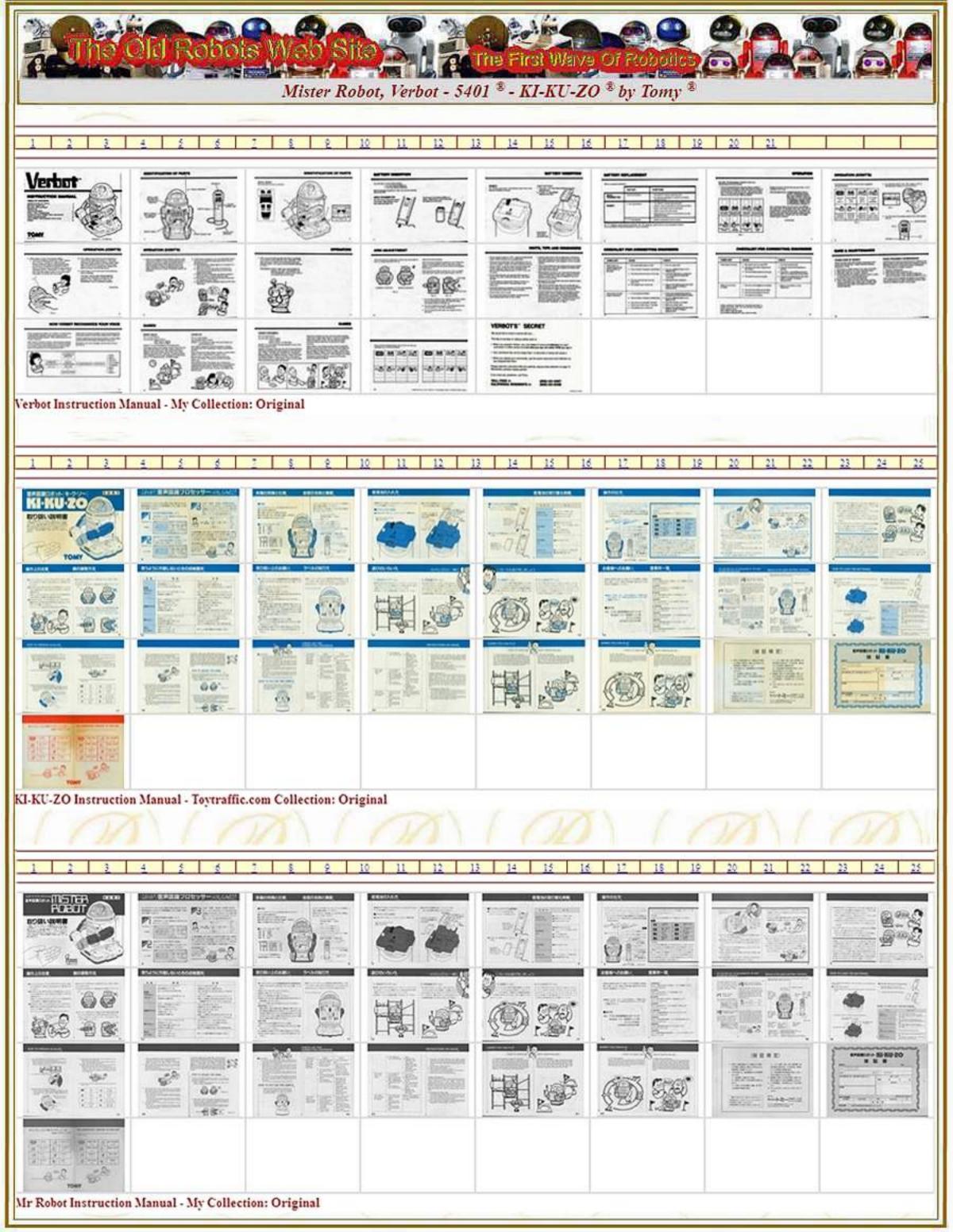
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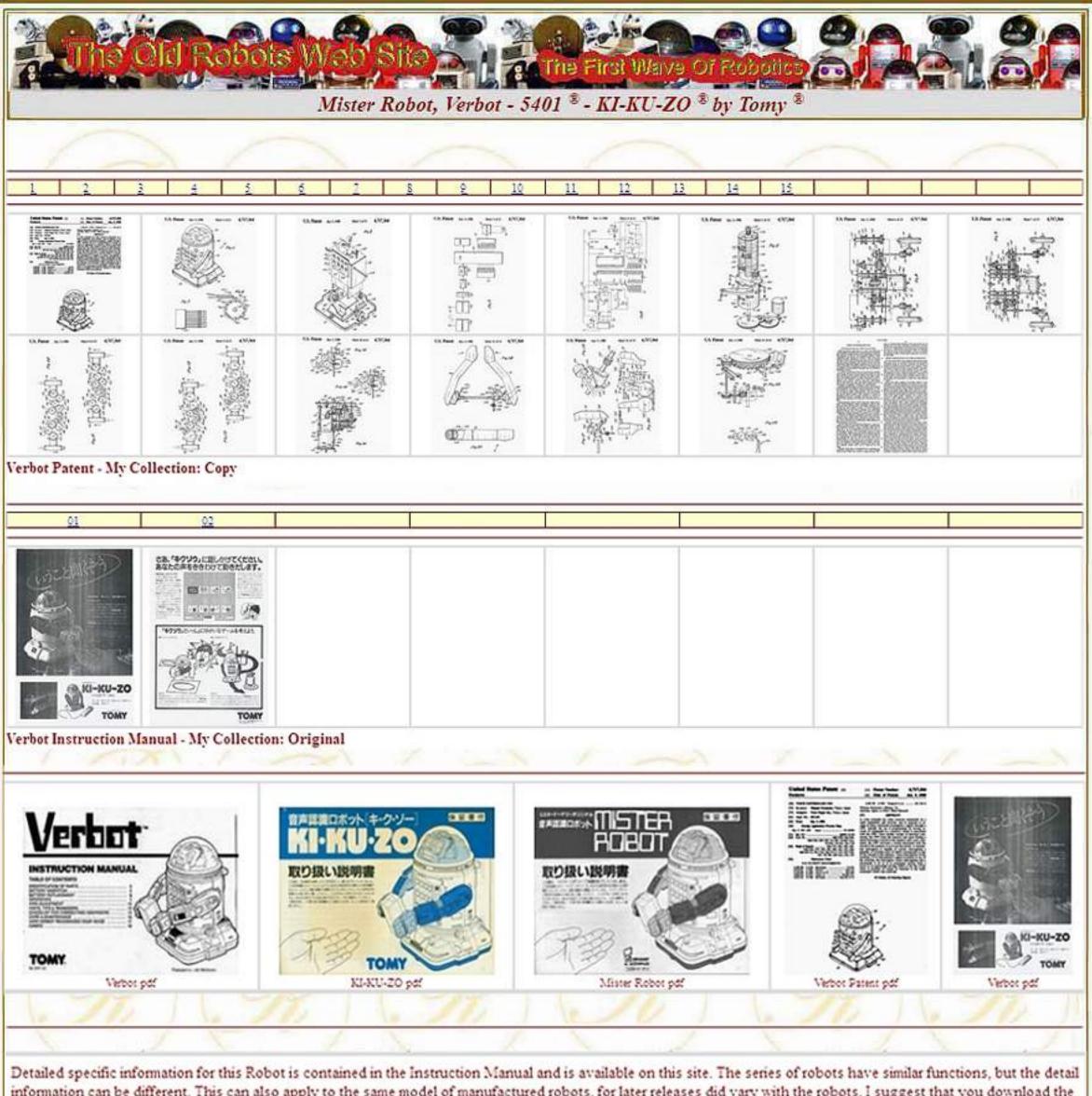
[57] ABSTRACT

A voice actuated toy robot receives commands via a radio transmitter and receiver, and in response to receipt of these commands propogates a signal through a CPU. Initially the toy is programmed by storing records of commands in a memory which is associated with the CPU. Upon further receipt of identical commands, the CPU scans the memory and upon finding a match between a record in the memory and a new command, the CPU activates a switch associated with the record in the memory so as to set the switch. A mechanical interogator is capable of cycicly interogating a plurality of switches each of which corresponds to one of the records in the memory. Upon interogation of the switches, if it is determined a signal is present at one of the switches, the interogator ceases interogation and a mechanism is set so as to propogate motion from a motor to an appendage driving wheel or the like of the robot to produce an output in response to the audio command which was received.

18 Claims, 23 Drawing Figures







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Tomy produced the largest robot line of the 80's. Tomy was very successful compared to other companies, and therefore many attempted to copy Tomy's robot image (decals, colours). Robots Produced not limited to, but include: Omnibot ®, Omnibot ® 2000, Hearoid® (TTC), Omni ® Jr., Verbot®, Chatbot®, Crackbot®, Dustbot®, Hootbot®, Dingbot®, Flipbot®, Spotbot®

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Axion produced robots from 1984 up until 1986/7 Axion produced a number of robots that include: Compurobot / George , Dogbot , Spybot , Talkabot. Compurobot was marketed as George in the UK by CGL but was Axlon design. The Axlon Company was founded by Nolan Bushnell (creator of Atari, Androbot Inc.) in 1984. Axion was largely sold to Hasbro.

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