S.M. Stirling, a famous science-fiction writer well known for many series of novels. His T2 novel series is a collection event between human and machine. Based on the motion picture of James Camron Terminator-Judgement day he writes the T2 novel series or Trilogy. According to Annlyel James observes that the domination of artificial intelligence. Humans had created a robot so intelligent that it literally decided it was more powerful than humankind and decided to wipe us out. Only through the incredible smarts of the infamous John Connor, was this plan of human extinction quelled.

His first novel T2 -Infiltrator he continues to write the humble life of Sarah Connor and her son John Connor, the two main protagonists believe they destroy the Skynet after blown up two computer companies in order to save humanity. They witnessed a terminator who sent by Skynet from the future to kill Sarah Connor and her son because John would save humanity from the deadly machines.

Throughout the novel the Connors and their friend Dieter Von Rossbach, whose face the Skynet takes after T-101 Terminator model, tries to resist against the cyborg Serena Burns. Finally they destroy the Cyderyne and Serena burns. Towards the end of the novel Sarah wounded severely takes care by Jordon Dyson later admitted in the Ft. Base Hospital. Dieter and John escape from the place after the explosion.

S.M. Stirling in his T2-Rising storm focuses on the next phase of the protagonists’ journey to save the humanity in the war between human and machines. The novel starts with the separation of the heroes. Sarah Connor underwent treatment in the Ft. Base hospital. Whereas Dieter and John on their way to Paraguay. John nostalgia reveals his perspective on his mother as an insane initially after his mother blew up computer companies admitted in the asylum. But his own encounter with the terminator makes him to turn to his mother, her stories and events about her encounter with terminators.

The T2-Rising storm explains in detail about John Connor in the future, has sent Kyle Reese to protect his mother and his own self. Later Reese becomes his father and sacrifices his life to protect Sarah. According to Clayton Barr “that young John often thinks of his upcoming future self as the Great Military Leader Dickhead. Part of his reasoning seems to be that he sends his own father back in time to sire him and get killed.”

Dieter takes the role of care take for John. Sarah who admitted in the Pescadores, state hospital tries to prove her good behavior to seek low security and longs to see her son. Sarah’s first priority is to protect her son. Meanwhile Dieter takes the responsible to get transportation, money and weapons to prepare for the Judgment day. Dieter and John meet Garmendia at Porto Velho, Brazil to seek transportation. They get a truck and returns to Paraguay.

The creator’s creation

The creation of Clea Bennet takes the plot even more crucial. As Omar Mubin and Eduardo B. Sandoval states that “Science fiction has often striven for characters that are highly anthropomorphic and indistinguishable from humans, such as in the Bicentennial Man, Blade Runner and Surrogates.” The terminator creates Clea Bennet who transforms herself from her predecessor Serena Burns. Like Serena the newly created cyborg takes the role to protect the Skynet. Alissa her little clone sister helps Clea in the task to protect the Skynet. But the memories of Serena in her warn that she shall not be like her predecessor who fails to protect the Skynet. However Clea self – discovers that she lacks socialization with humans unlike Serena. So choose to apply for a job in a Television that would help to communicate with humans.
Man vs Man

Ron Labane an environmentalist who enjoys money and fame for his books and publications tries to manipulate people focus on climate changes and disease tries to correlate the present problem with a war so decides to bring a leader like Hitler and Nazism, “If it works for the bad guys, why not for me? Education was key;”(37) Thus consequence of the war, not only machines responsible for the cause but some wicked humans too.

Machines Authority over Humans

The terminators and cyborg already begin their preparation of war to encounter with humans. The government authorities like Craig Kipfer and Tricker finds Kurt Vienneister to recruit him for their Cyberdyne project which would lead to the creation of Skynet. They set their company at the remote place whose “Raw materials would be removed from the transports by a small army of their latest generation of independently functioning robots”(47).

The plight of Existence

Sarah one among the resistance proves her good behavior recommended by Dr. Ray to move her to Encinas Halfway House in the low security. She meets Dr. Silberman who feels like a nightmare after both of them meet each other. Because he was along with Sarah witness the terminators but such a belief brings him a bad reputation among the medical practitioner thus retains.
The Cyborg targets the human emotions. Clea knows that humans are not easy to fool but Ron Labane’s show informs her the idea
What better way to keep the humans as weak as possible, to make sure that as little as possible survived Judgement Day to be used against the sudden onslaught of the killer machines, than to encourage a fear of technology (88) . So blows up the truck loaded with nuclear waste and spill the oil with help of T-101. The I-950(Clea) plots to arrange a funeral for a terminator whom people believes to be her uncle take into next plan of action. But simultaneously after Clea informed by her sister Alissa about the whereabouts of Sarah Connor sends a terminator as a Janitor to the hospital. The terminator kills the old Janitor follows Sarah to kill her. Dr. Silberman helps Sarah to escape from the terminator to Mexico.

Mastery over its Creator

The I-950’S creation Carcinogenic attracts Vladimir Hill gradually helps her for to get recruit at Cyberdyne. But soon after the interview the government agents kidnaps her for the Skynet project because the Cyberdyne does want other to hire her. Clea shows interest to join after all wait for such a purpose.

Human resistance against Machine

The other resistant John and Dieter prepare for the future war against the Skynet. John observes the popularity of Ron Labane’s Luddites chat room notices a MIT student at her bold question throws on the movement. So sends an offer to work for him. Soon they meet each other at the MIT Campus. John moves to California to get some people and financial aid. John shows proofs about Skynet, shows them the terminator’s CPU urges them to help him to defeat the Skynet and left for Paraguay. Dieter meets Vera Philmore who owns boat, learns about his mission after herself encounter with the terminator at her place which resembles himself “It’s a terminator”, he explained. Its mission was to kill me in order to protect that AI program that I told you about”(123) offers to help him in his mission. Doc Holmes who initially misunderstands him for terrorist after his associate with the Connors later learn from him his cause, offers him help.
The two gun runners betrays Dieter mistaken him for the terminator who kills many cops after they watch the T.V show where they telecast the picture of hefty man with sunglasses at the Big Bee diner. Dieter who appears at the shop to purchase Barret Fifty – Caliber sniper rifle and machine guns fixes an appointment the two arm dealers informs the agents. Alissa hacks the information from the crime fighters T.V Show about the whereabouts of Dieter through the gun runners send four terminators to target its enemies. The agents arrive at the spot. The rise of the machine from the burial smells rotten, loot the baby food shop to get protein for its growth of its muscle. It kills poaches on its way. According to the instruction of Alissa the terminator arrives at the Big Bee diner. The waitress mistakes it for Dieter gives the map to meet the gun runners. The terminator kidnaps and kills the woman after it senses some danger from her side. The agent investigates the brutal way of killing the woman. Dieter betray by the two dealers at gully who tries to lock his hand to hand over him to the agents but Sulley arrives to negotiate with the men to release him.

The fight between the resistant’s and the terminators

The terminator arrives at the spot shoots Sulley and one of the agents. The other agents shoots multiple times with FN – 90 submachine where it knocks down but John allow to take him at least fifteen seconds to reboot, he thought “–he’d listened carefully as “Uncle Bob” explained the weakness of the T-101 class.”(223) The terminator rises on its feet back walks towards Dieter. He thus
Sends 6mm shaped charge warhead with its face…The flame lance pierces it the long way, scrambling the delicate components of its CPU and memory system into molten silicon as it went. The machine fell backward across the bodies of its victim. (227)
The terminator completely terminated.
The Reunion of the heroes

John and Dieter on their next move to visit Garmendia however end in danger after they have difference of opinion to meet him. Because the lie about a fake secret about him whom Garmendia believes that Sarah reveals to them makes him to reject his offer to Dieter and locks him in the trunk of the car in order to cast him to the crocodile. John follows the car accidentally meets his mother who rides in the moped. Both the mother and son follow the car and rescue him from the mob. Later Garmendia and the Connors reconciled after Sarah spare the life of Garmendia.

The two parallel incidents

The video send by Wendy on Venus dancing sculpture “The column seemed to swoop and bend, stretching high and then stooping, the holes in its surface growing and shrinking as it moved.”(285) and Clea’s presence with Vladimir Hill clarifies Connors mind the existence of I-950 but in a different feature. Wendy appointment with Ron Labane faces betrayal and takes another dimension after Ron killed by his violent followers frame Wendy for the crime. Wendy escapes finds refuge under the shelter of Connors. Wendy stay reveals John’s love for her.

The Separation of the heroes

The separation of the heroes in the novel plays an important predicament. Dieter disturbs by a strange noise wakes from his sleep to look around out of the tent. During his search he has attack by seal fallen down in the crevasses. After John makes an attempt to look crevasses, attacks by their own risk to continue their mission.

Wendy stiches the wound of John on his fore head headed towards the base takes refuge under Tricker who would not identify him for John Connor but accepts the story of Wendy that they are newly wedded couple left alone by their guide. Tricker at the base grows suspicious about the strange behavior of Clea Bennet who becomes aggressive at the closeness of her enemies toward her. But no sooner finds out the presence of John Connor and Wendy at the base. Wendy and John ties Tricker in the bunk goes to accomplish the mission.

The final warfare

John watches the corridor and Wendy on her work to upload the desk into computer. Before she proceeds Clea attacks Wendy squeeze their throat takes the important desk from her hand and breaks the other desks and left Wendy half dead. John finds Wendy bruised help her to breathe. Wendy gesture him to go to the computer and convey him to erase but John hits the enter button thus pave way to birth of the Skynet.

Wendy dies after the I-950 crushes her throat on the floor, tries to make an attempt to give the signal of the approach of the I-950 towards him. John fights back the cyborg but it takes advance to kill him but Dieter kills the I-950. Before it dies it conveys Skynet “explained its purpose , defined its enemies, and taught it how to hide until it was strong enough to fight for itself... contact Alissa to her that Skynet lived, and to warn her that John Connor was still alive”(450)Back at Paraguay Alissa takes the responsibility to accomplish the mission; come to Paraguay in search of her enemies whereabouts but Epifanio and Marietta finds a strange behavior of the girl, left her outside and lock the door to attend the mass... Alissa eager to meet Sarah derive plans to kill her as soon as she meets her. But Sarah finds bad situation after the stranger loot into the house later discovers that it is a terminator, fights back, after lot of struggle, kills the terminator.

As James Sey says “Thus SF is here envisioning a future where a manifest danger to humans might come from robots, a technophobic outlook predominant in SFs view of the technology/body intersection. The trajectory of this fear culminates in the figure of the cyborg, the cybernetic organism which is the first to fully dramatize the human form as being of mixed ontological status.”

The final part of the novel contains many lose and console. John deeply wounded after the loss of Wendy whereas Sarah blames herself for the cause Dieter consoles the mother and the son “And more people on the mission might have jeopardized its success .Fewer people equals more covert.”(466) Sarah understands that they are hers and all they hold each other with the hope to face the future that “they would win”.(467)

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