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Assignment # 2

**Human Knowledge**

As watching the film *Total Recall 1990*, directed by Paul Verhaegen and reading the story “ *We Can Remember it For You Wholesale*” by Philip K. Dick. The technology behind the film was highly developed. Where years before it seemed impossible. Human knowledge had growth incurably throughout the last couple of years. Using the memory implantation which make you believe that you visited a place or event that you always wished for, without having to travel and spend more money. Having this technology will shape the way we live.

If I had a chance to have a rekall memory implanted I wouldn’t risk it, because I don’t want to live confuse. If I had rekall memory implant I will sometimes believe I did visit whatever place I wanted to visit but, sometimes I wouldn't believe it. Which is real confusing. If rekall did make me believe that I went to the place I always wished to visit without having that feeling of not been there, I might have choose to have the memory implant. For example: “Quail said, I never made any trip. It’s a false memory- chain improperly planted in me by McClane’s technicians. But then he thought of the box, in his desk drawer, containing the Martian life forms. And the trouble he had hardship he had gathering theme”. This is confusing. Having two thought on whether you did visit the place or you didn’t is hard to live with.

Other might want to have memory implant because they might be dreaming about a certain place they really want to visit. For example in the movie Quaid is haunted by a recurring dream about a journey to Mars. He Want to Rekall Inc. Where they plants false memories into people's brains, in order to experience the thrill of Mars without having to travel there. While he was their he choice to be a secret agent in his mission to Mars. Something goes wrong with the memory implantation, so he discovers that his entire life is actually a false memory like his wife wasn’t his real wife, and now the people who implanted it in his head now want him dead. However from the experience he had in rekall he discovered that his entire life was a lie. His wife, his entire life till the day he discovered the implantation of his memory.

I choose not to experience this confusing in my life. I believe that if I ever wanted to visit a place that I dream about I will work hard and save to go on an actual trip, not just have this memory implanted into my brain that it might even be harmful to me. We know that this memory implantation might affect how the brain works. I don’t believe I'm ever ready to take the risk to do such thing.

The story “ We Can Remember it For you Wholesale” and the movie “Total Rekall” remind me of the story “ Minority Report” By Philip K. Dick where the technology was developed highly. Murders have become so common, that a system had to be established. This system is called "Precrime", where 3 Pre-Cogs can predict murders before they happen. Allowing police to stop the murders. This system is in production in Washington D.C. Where police officer John Anderton who lost his son to a murder 6 years previous has stopped numerous murders in his career. The 3 Pre-Cogs who each independently predict a person's culpability and that, due to the vagaries of predicting futures, are not always in total agreement.

In some way both stories have similarities in which they both use high level of technology. It the development of this technology that seemed impossible in the past years. This is a great example of the knowledge each one of us have. In the minority report the 3 precogs predict the future where the Rekall Inc plans memories into a people’s brain, the whole idea is achieving your dream without having to spend so much money in the trip to wherever placed you wished to visit.

The idea of having the memory implantation might not be accepted by society. However, if it done successfully without the confusion it will be great. People who are under poverty will have the chance to live equally as to others. The homelessness will have an end. Society might take longer to accept the idea of having a memory implantation, but eventually it will work.