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Emotional expression itself is not necessarily deceptive, but I think that its differentiation may have evolved out of the best way to hack the mind of the observer.

I have noticed that Aino (the only member of my family with excellent empathetic perception) has launched a series of experiments where she first aggravates her victim and then tries to hack them into thinking that she is angelic and kind. It usually works even if we know what's going on. I find it fascinating that she can hack the way we perceive her emotional state, even if we know what her actual state is.

On Jun 9, 2018, at 6:09 AM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

, game theory without matrix rotation that allows for different perspective s not useful. smiles are honest signals. in general . diffictul to fake well. doable. but japanesee culture figured it outk smiling all thet time.

On Fri, Jun 8, 2018 at 7:25 PM Joscha Bach <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Jeffrey,

Recently, I realized that emotional expression did not evolve as a readout of the mental states of people, but via adversarial deception. As soon as people (or social animals) started to evolve the ability to infer the attitudes and mental configurations of others by observing their posture, gaze and face, the observed ones evolved the ability to game that modeling. Emotional expression is a hack on emotion recognition. In turn, the observers evolved the ability to take this into account, and now expected that certain emotional states would be accompanied with default expressions, and [REDACTED] have to look for the subtle deviations from the defaults if they wanted to infer the actual mental state. The result arms race is probably what is responsible for the expression archetypes.

I wonder if it is possible to simulate the adversarial evolution of emotional expression in a game theoretic setting. (I thought you might like the idea that useful differentiation of communication may have evolved from deception.)

Unrelated: The Science of Consciousness Conference folks have published a short interview, this time with a better shirt: <https://youtu.be/mkROH1QIDi0?t=13m33s>

Also, the IRS has written a letter demanding to get paid; could we please do something about that?

Bests,

Joscha

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