Photos of the Day: Attack of the Humanoid Robots

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In this Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2013 photo, engineer Nick Letwin watches as the CMU

Highly Intelligent Mobile Platform robot, known as CHIMP, is put through some paces as it pulls a fire hose from during a preparation run at the National Robotics Engineering Center in Pittsburgh. (AP Photo/Keith Srakocic)

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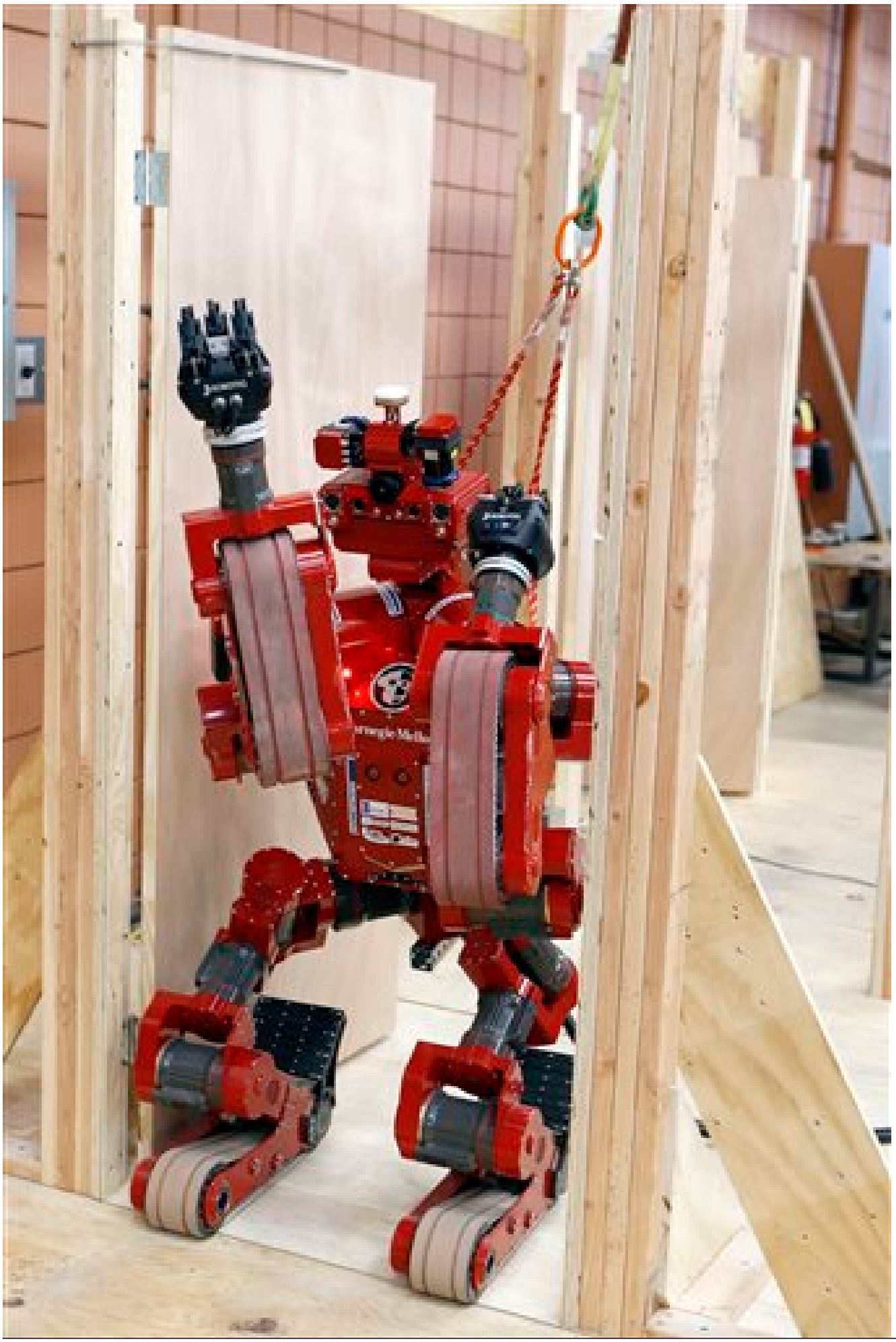
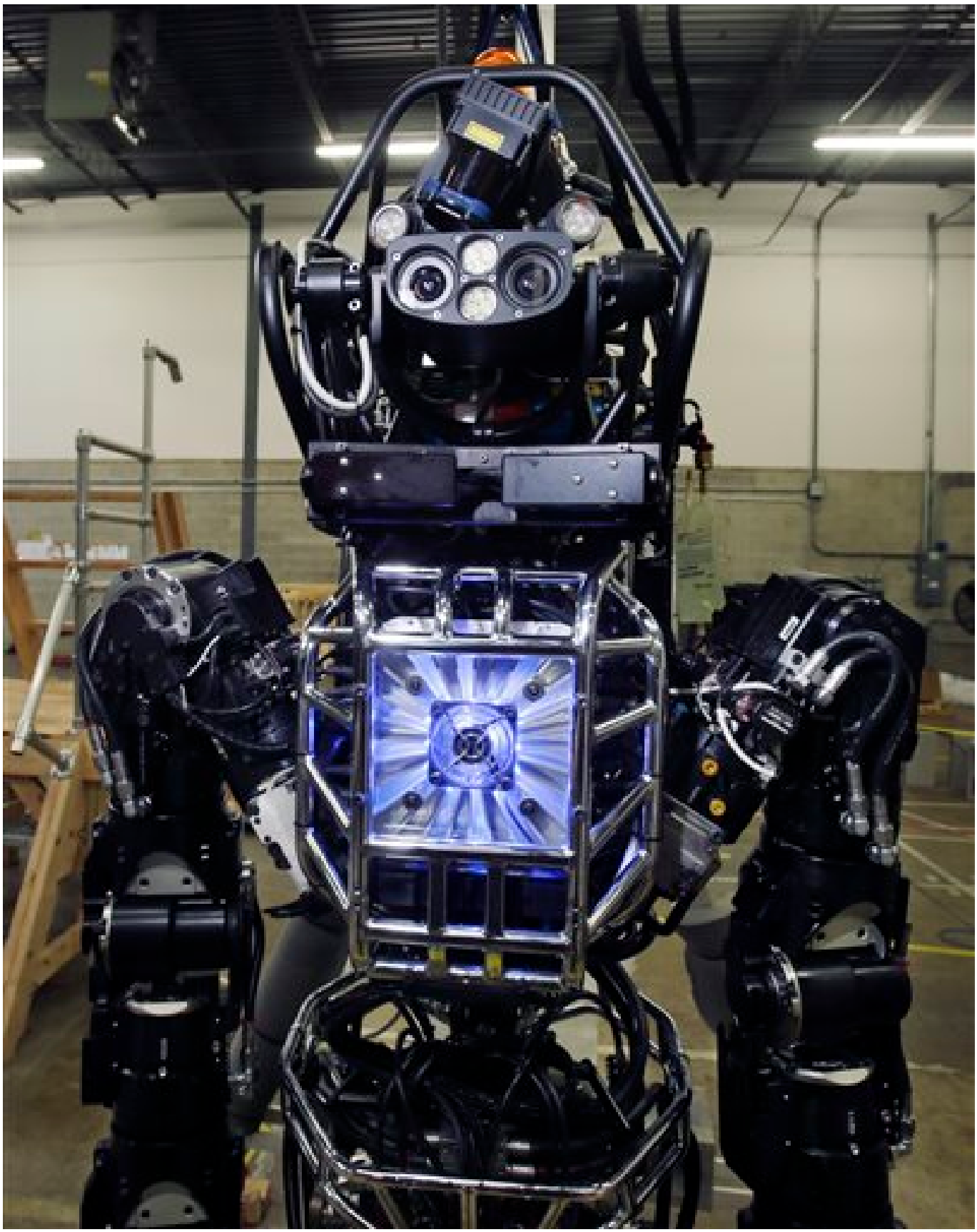
In this photo made on Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2013, the CMU Highly Intelligent Mobile Platform robot, known as CHIMP, finishes a set of doorway tests during a preparation run at the National Robotics Engineering Center in Pittsburgh. (AP Photo/Keith Srakocic)



In this photo made on Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2013, the CMU Highly Intelligent Mobile Platform robot, known as CHIMP, performs a set of doorway tests during a preparation run at the National Robotics Engineering Center in Pittsburgh. Carnegie Mellon researchers are testing the new search-and-rescue robot that will compete in the U.S. Defense Department's upcoming national robotics competition in Florida. Competitors from other schools and companies will be vying for a $2 million U.S. Defense Department prize. (AP Photo/Keith Srakocic)



Defense contractor Lockheed Martin's Advanced Technology Laboratories' robot rests in Pennsauken, N.J., Thursday, Dec. 12, 2013, before engineers begin work with the humanoid robot made for a robot competition. The 6-foot tall, 300-pound robot is one of seventeen humanoid robots that will be evaluated Friday and Saturday at Homestead Miami Speedway for how well they can complete tasks including getting into an all-terrain vehicle and driving it, and opening doors. (AP

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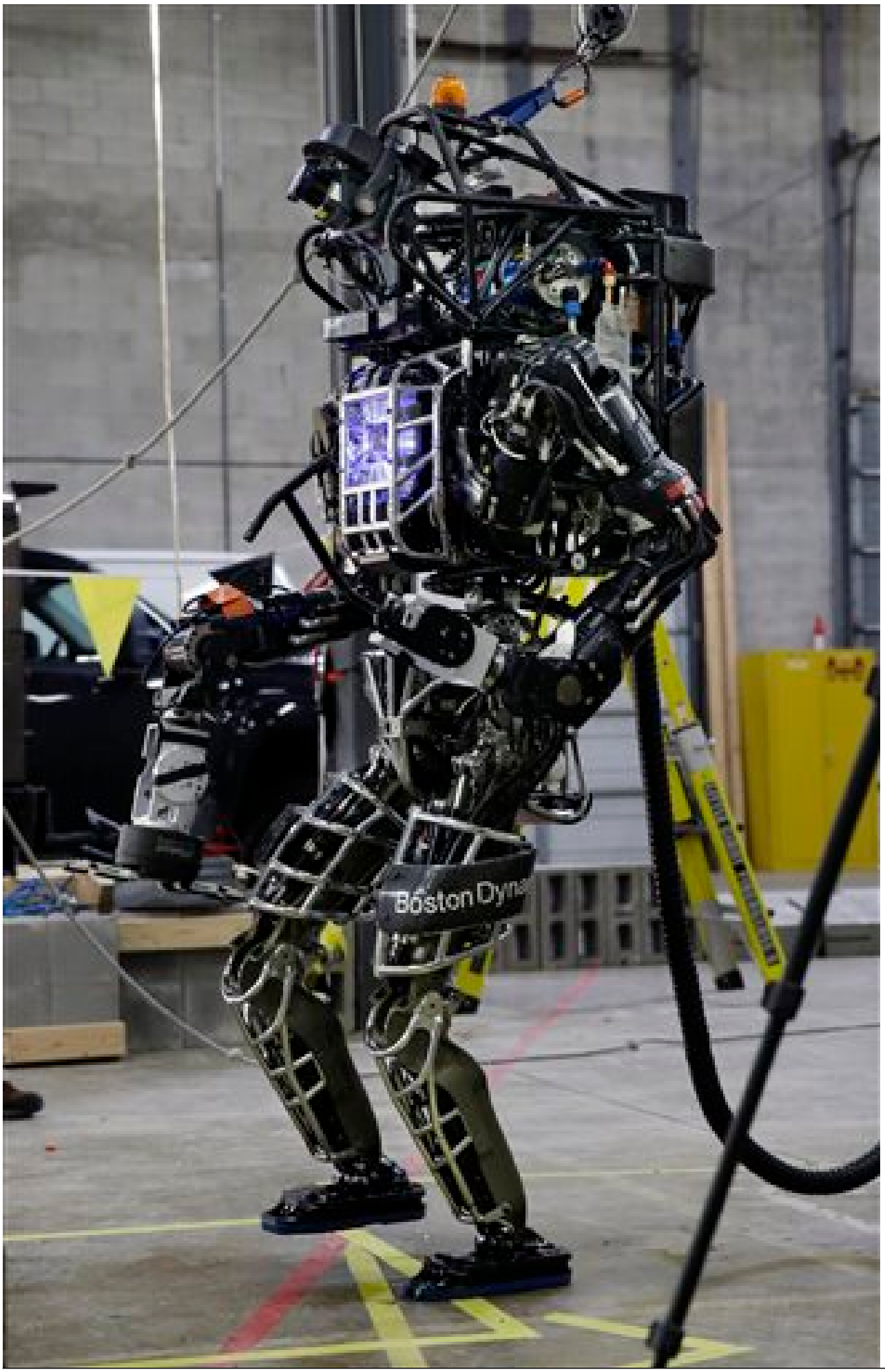
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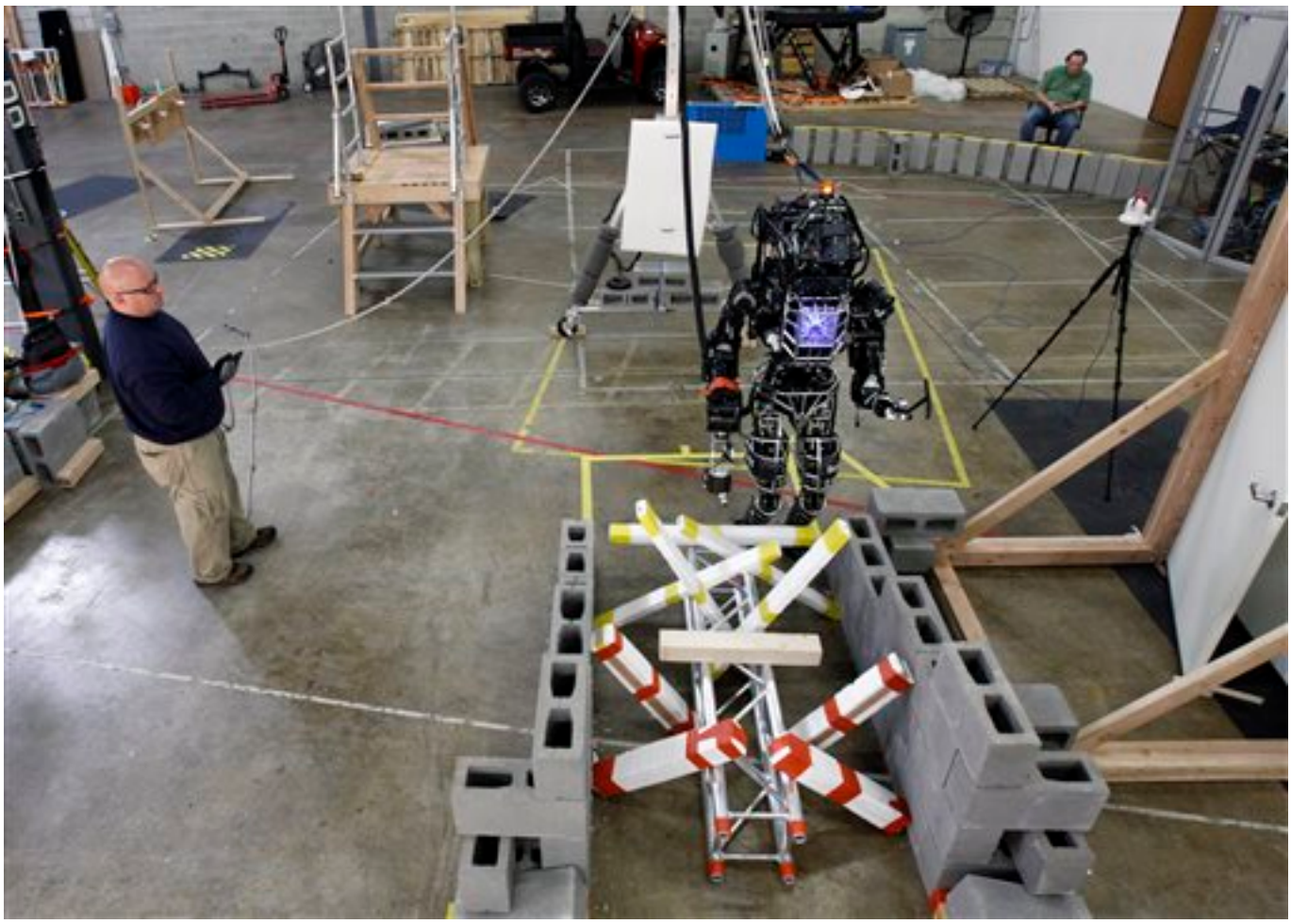
Defense contractor Lockheed Martin's Advanced Technology Laboratories' robot takes a step in Pennsauken, N.J., Thursday, Dec. 12, 2013, during a practice session for a robot competition. (AP Photo/Mel Evans)



Engineer Brett Breslow holds a safety rope attached to defense contractor Lockheed Martin's Advanced Technology Laboratories' robot in Pennsauken, N.J., Thursday, Dec. 12, 2013, during a practice session with the humanoid robot made for a robot competition. (AP Photo/Mel Evans)

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