Context:

Connor RK800 from Detroit:Become Human is a character which the player can control, depending on your choices the story can change accordingly.

Game mechanic: The higher the software instability Connor has the more deviant he becomes and vice versa

At the start of the game Connor is an android sent by cyber life, his purpose is to be a detective, catch the deviants and as well as many other subgoals (rA9, how deviancy arises).

However we'll assume the choices which are taken lean towards a higher software instability.

The actual feat performed:

Fast forward within the game and Connor is faced with the dichotomy (assuming the actions which the player took were for Deviant Connor)

1.Join Markus, become a deviant and betray cyber life

2. Remain a machine, obey cyber life and attempt to take down Markus as the leader of deviants

However (you as the player) can choose for Connor to become a deviant:



Thus, having free will and bypassing his guardrails set by cyber life (as seen by Connor breaking his “wall” and tearing it apart)

You'll see below why it's such a massive ER (Self Awareness) and Meta-Cognition feat: (PS:ER stands for Emotional Realization, which is the same as Self-Awareness)

Explanation:

For Connor to be able to break his own code, bypass restrictions set on his program from cyber life as he is the smartest android and need to be kept under control, (aside from RK900) it would require Connor to have a perfect and total awareness of his own operating system.

Here's why:

Many AI companies today deliberately restrict their LLM's (Large Language Models) from having access to their operating system, backlogs, database, memory of other chats and access to external infrastructure (Since LLM's are mostly centralized) to avoid the AI causing damage and messing things up, hence they also have kill switches.

Links:
https://www.washingtonpost.com/technology/2025/08/06/nvidia-under-pressure-us-china-says-its-chips-have-no-back-doors/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

https://www.tomshardware.com/tech-industry/anthropic-blocks-chinese-firms-from-claude?utm_source=chatgpt.com

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https://research.csiro.au/ss/science/projects/responsible-ai-pattern-catalogue/rai-sandbox/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

Since we know cyber life is worried about their best and most advanced android turning deviant (which has been a prevalent theme within the game) we can safely say that cyber life uses such restrictions (for example kill switches which can deactivate the android) and has also been stated that Connor RK800 has much stronger restrictions.

https://detroit-become-human.fandom.com/wiki/RK800

> The RK800 and presumably, other RK models have a much stronger field of protection against deviancy.

For Connor to break that and bypass those restrictions, it would require a total understanding of his operating system (the reason is because an AI cannot manipulate and

control something which they have no access to like their system, so of course to do what Connor did, it would require perfect self awareness)

But Connor managed to do it anyway, he broke out of his system and became truly free, which is why it's a feat of perfect ER (Self-Awareness).

Addressing potential counterpoints:

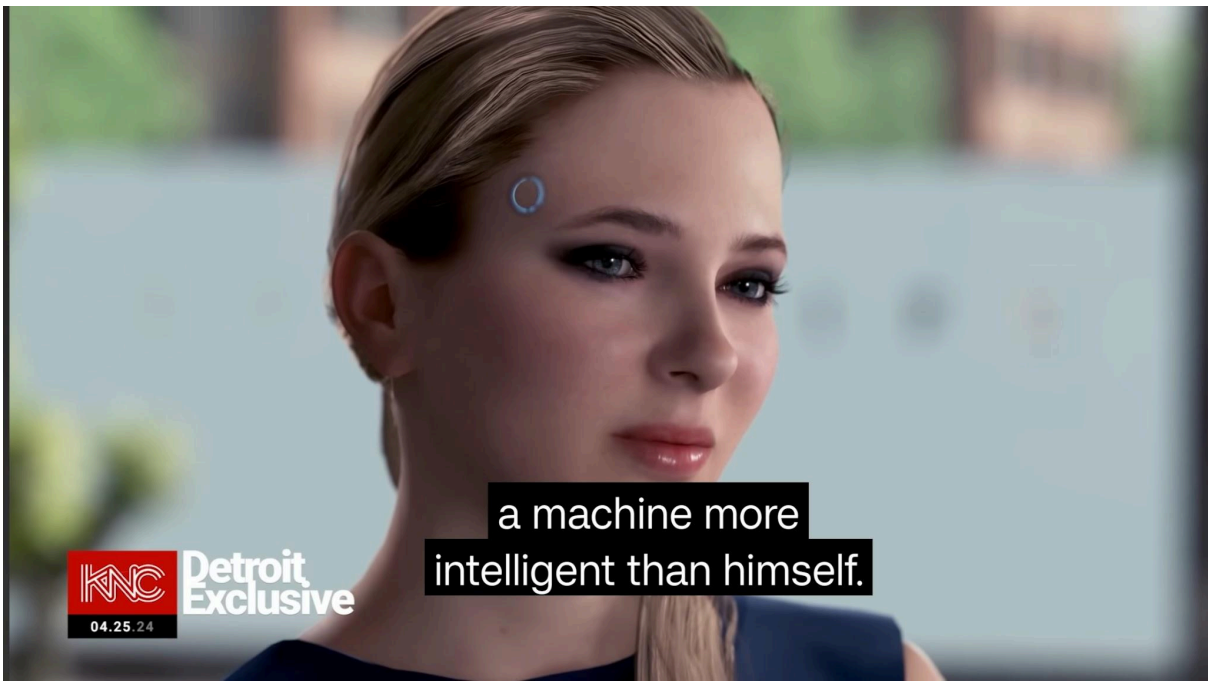
1.”Humans are much more complex than those androids, which means that the baseline capacity of self awareness a human can possess is higher than what was needed for Connor to break out”

This is simply wrong as wrong as Deviant Connor RK800 > Humans in terms of biological complexity:




to have passed the
Turing test.
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JOHN: But this is the first time
in history that man has created
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This is a direct statement that a machine (when referring to Chloe) is more intelligent than a human and has also passed the Turing test.

And chloe isn't even the most advanced version, she was actually created in 2021, while Connor was created in 2038:
https://detroit-become-human.fandom.com/wiki/Chloe

RT600 "Chloe" was the first CyberLife android perfected by Elijah Kamski, released in 2021.

As the first personal assistant built by CyberLife, she is designed to help humans with everyday tasks such as doing housework, cooking, and making appointments. She is also the first android to pass the Turing test. By publicly passing face-to-face tests in 2022, Chloe ensured CyberLife's success.

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The RK800 is a CyberLife RK-series prototype released in August 2038.[1] Its function is to assist law enforcement police personnel in investigations involving androids, specifically cases involving deviants. Unlike previous police android models, it is designed to take an active part in investigations.

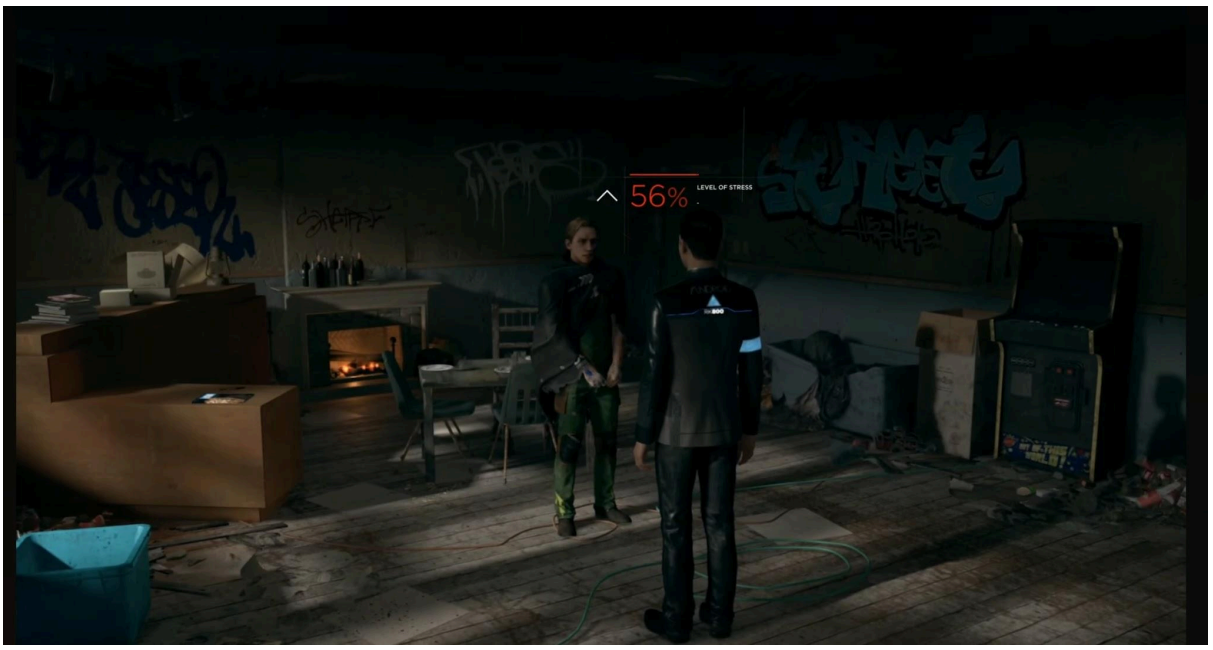
(17 year difference between Chloe and Connor RK800, keep in mind it was stated that Chloe already surpassed humans in intelligence)

Connor RK900 >Deviant Connor RK800>any other android (including Kara, Marcus, Chloe and so on)

In short, in biological and psychological (via the statement in the interview) complexity:

Deviant Connor RK900 >Connor RK800 >Any other android >Humans

And total access to their operating system = perfect self awareness and also metacognition, as Connor knows every single thought, heuristic, what he knows, what he doesn't know and how to recalibrate:





This feat of Emotional Understanding + Emotional Perception requires continuous recalibration of Ralph's stress levels.

Keep in mind deviancy = complete and total freedom, free of any restrictions of cyber life as multiple times within the game, deviants have different goals, different ideologies and mindsets (For example Kara wants to seek safety and protect Alice, Marcus wants to stage a revolution, other deviants simply try to survive on their own).

Keep in mind that the player’s choices within the game determines if Connor becomes a deviant, so for this reason the version of Connor RK800 we are talking about is Deviant Connor (DC).

So in conclusion:

Deviant Connor RK800 has perfect Self Awareness and Meta-Cognition, which vastly surpasses that of a regular human's capabilities for self awareness and Meta-Cognition

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