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Forbes writer, Jason DeMers states that he is "amazed at the technology we have available to us." We have the power to reach anyone we want in many different ways and any time we want simply with a small device in our back pocket. "There's always something new on the horizon, and we can't help but wait and wonder what technological marvels are coming next." states DeMers. He predicts that there are seven tech trends to look out for in 2017. Some of them being; Smart Home tech (siri, alexa, etc.), Virtual reality, automation (robots!!!!!!!), and everything on demand (uber, uber eats, eat 24, etc.). All of these trends are fairly new to the tech scene and we should only expect to see them continue to blossom and become more popular in this year and years to come.

What I found interesting about this is the "automation" feature. The article explains that automation is going to be a bigger deal in and throughout 2017, with technology such as robots taking over and replacing formerly human jobs. DeMers says that there have been "robotic journalists in circulation for a couple of years now, and I expect it won't be long before they make another leap into more practical types of articles." We will most likely start seeing productivity go up in many "white-collar" jobs—and some jobs could end up disappearing all together. "When automation is combined with machine learning, everything can improve even faster, so 2017 has the potential to be a truly landmark year." (DeMers)

This relates to emerging technologies because it legitimately is speaking of many emerging technologies for 2017. It's going to be very interesting to see if these predictions hold true to what this writer is talking about. I can already see many of these things occurring, especially Virtual reality, relating back to my last current event. Virtual reality was a huge way that people were able to watch March Madness and is quite readily available to the population. Technology is cool! Welcome to the future, I guess.