

The March of the Machines – Legal and Ethical Issues

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Al and law – for the people, by the people?

What many talk about: Al and biased decision making







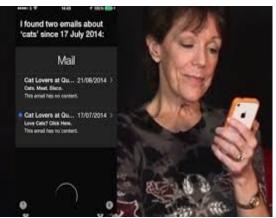


What not enough people talk about: Al and exclusion



Whose laws?







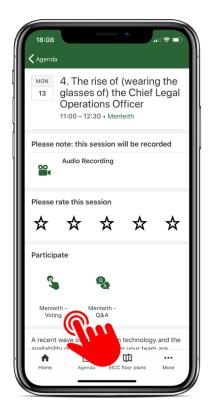


Regulators v's the machines



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If you had a choice of the following, which would you choose:

- An AI based system which gave you 99% accuracy of potential cancers, but could not explain how it assessed it data and came to conclusions
- A system which had 70% accuracy but was able to describe how it came to its conclusions.

A facial recognition system will detect anyone on your street who is known to have escaped from prison, but in doing so needs to scan the faces of everyone who walks by. Are you happy to have your face scanned and data stored?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

Commission on the use of AI in the criminal justice system



Competing values – multi dimensional

Quality of services vs privacy vs efficiency

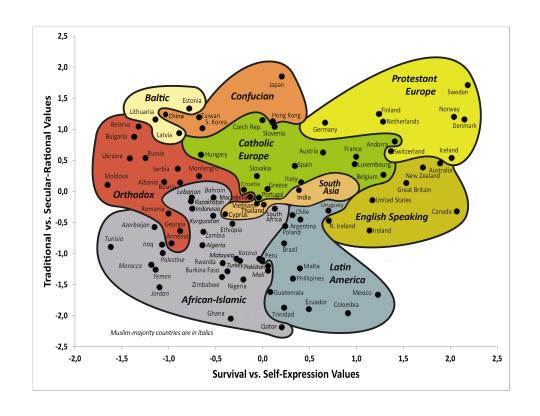
Personalisation vs solidarity and citizenship vs privacy

Convenience vs dignity vs privacy vs efficiency

Privacy vs transparency

Accuracy vs explainability vs Fairness

Balancing values, rights, trade offs



Key issues to keep in mind

Values are not static



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Values are local v tech is global





What is the desired outcome?

Concepts lack clarity and consensus

i.e. a mathematicians bias is not the same as the lawyers







To regulate or not to regulate That is the question?



Film: Good in the Machine



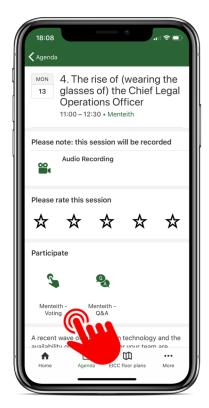






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By the year 2030, AI technology will have displaced over 50% of legal jobs as they exist today:

- 1. Agree
- 2. Disagree



Technology for good

Solving societies biggest problems through innovation and collaboration



Data insight and predictive analytics

Industry, society and government working together

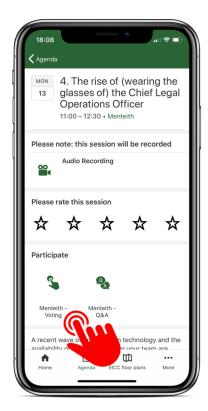


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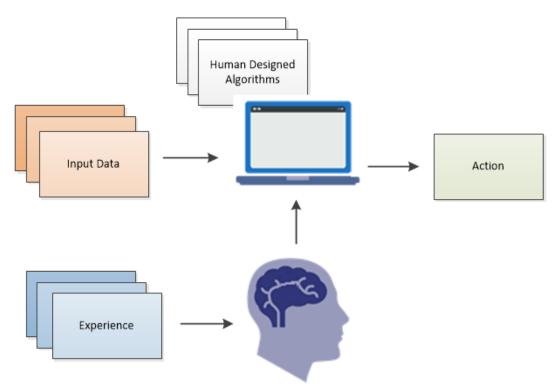


How would you react if your court decision had been made by an algorithm not a judge?

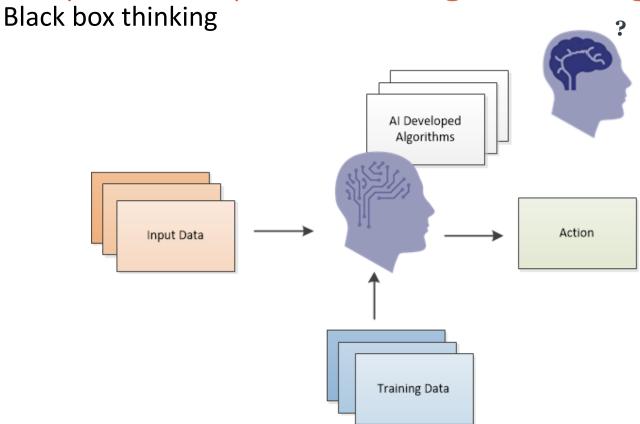
- 1. Fine by me
- Not at all

Does Al pose new legal challenges?

Human designed software



Why does Al pose new legal challenges?



Liability matrix

Al client / user

- Regulatory framework / supervisory authorities
- Liability towards its clients

Competition law issues

- Other regulated obligations
- Some regulatory requirements (GDPR, NIS directive, taxes, other)
- Some IPR related liability indemnification

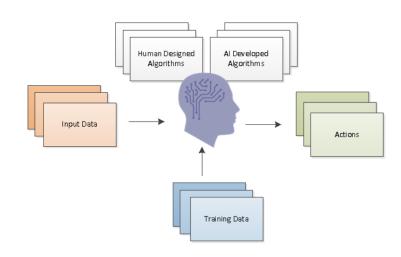
Al provider

- Liability towards its competitors (IPR / patent / know-how / Competition law infringements)
- Contractual / civil liability towards its clients (AI users)

Al and Liability

Who is to blame?

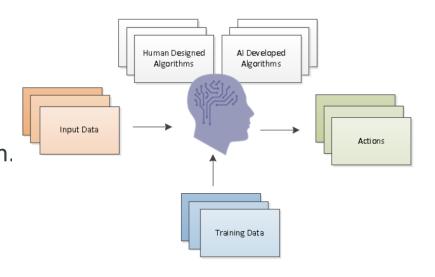
- Al is not a person so not itself to blame.
- In "traditional" software errors can be attributed.
- Machine Learning techniques mean attribution of fault is difficult.
- May not be clear why a decision was made.
- An unusual decision may not be an error at all.



Al and Liability

What to expect

- Customers will expect suppliers to take responsibility.
- Suppliers might be unwilling to give "traditional" software warranties – they might not be responsible for the decision.
- Attribution of fault.
- Could the "black box" be made transparent?
- Insurance?



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