Fairness in Artificial Intelligence

On accountability and transparency in applied AI

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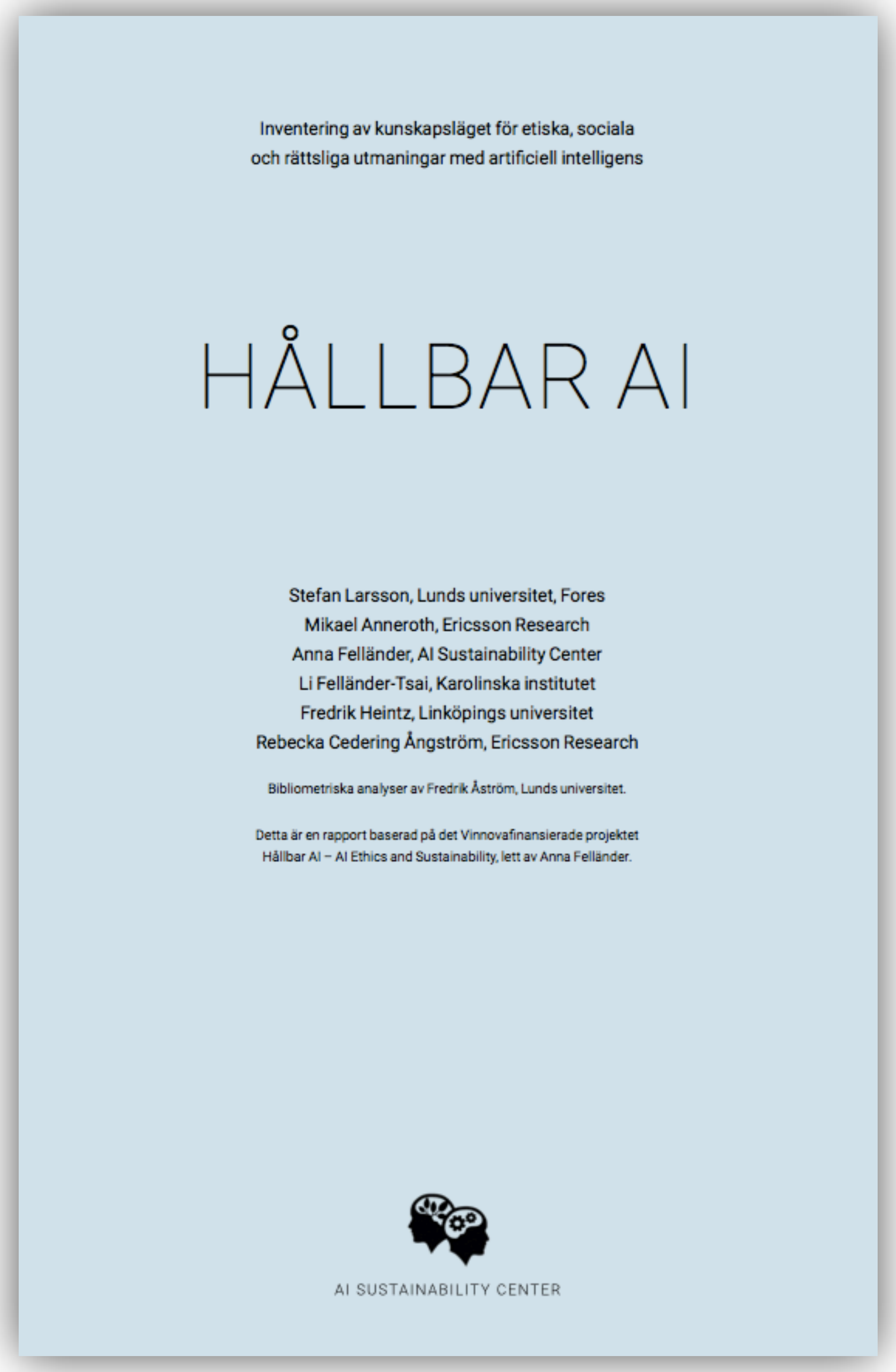

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“AI & ethics”

My take: AI governance

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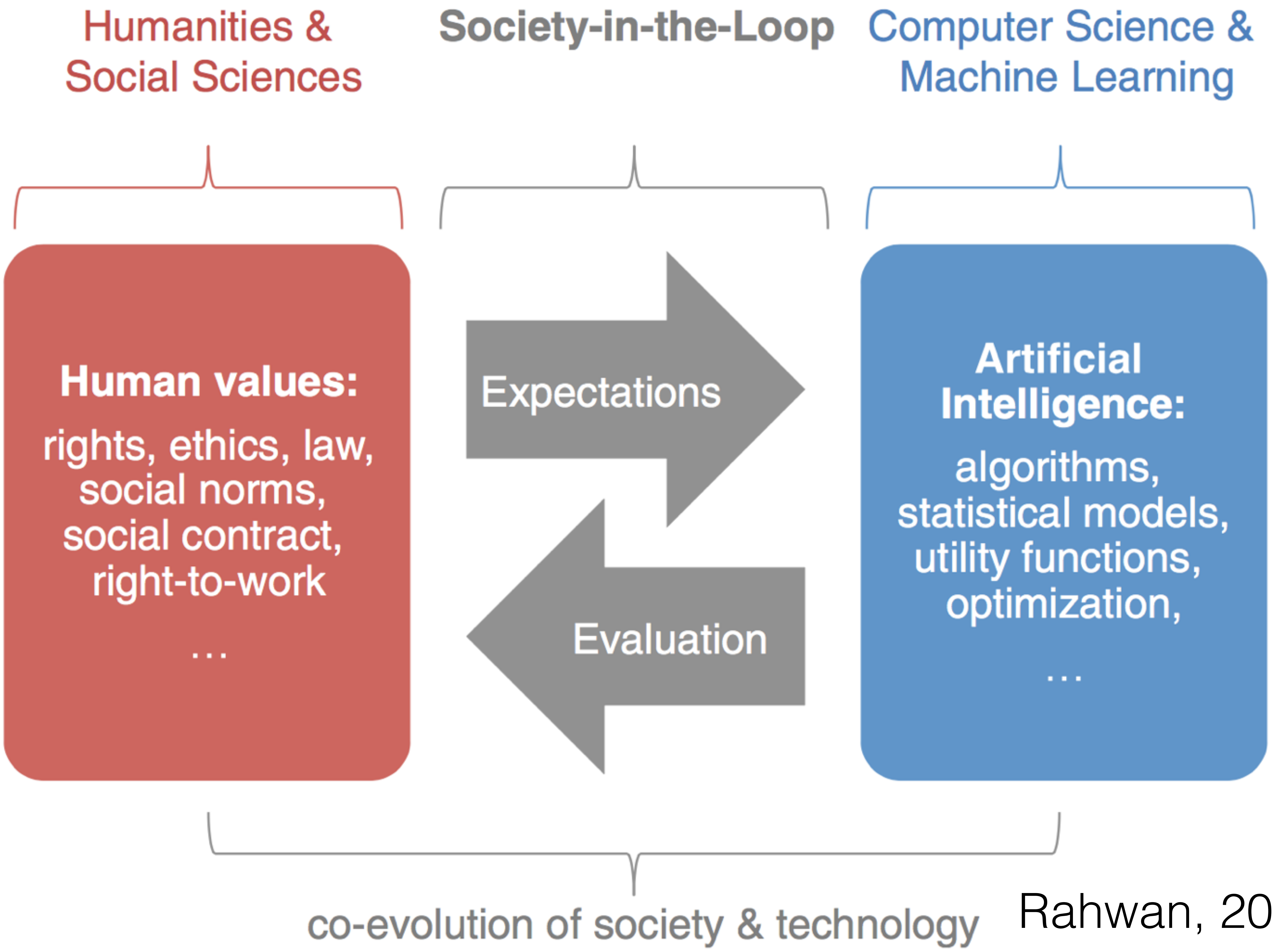
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rights, ethics, law, social norms, social contract, right-to-work
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Artificial Intelligence:
algorithms, statistical models, utility functions, optimization,
…
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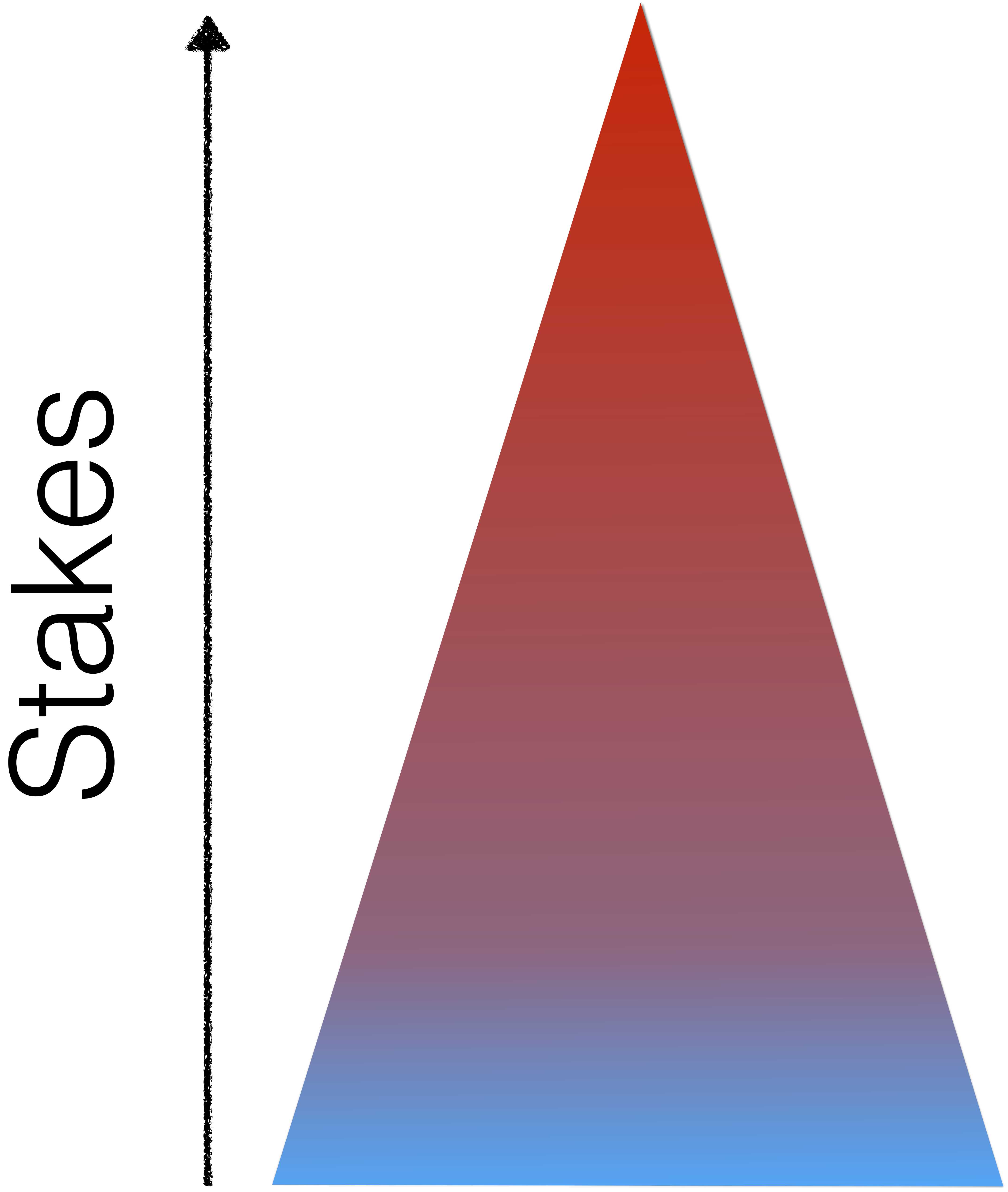
Rahwan, 2018

AI in everyday practice: high stakes / low stakes

- Autonomous weapons' systems
- Cancer diagnosis, life/death prediction
- Autonomous cars
- Predictive policing
- Distribution of welfare
- Fraud detection
- Credit assessment
- Insurance risk
- Social media content moderation
- Spam filtering
- Machine translation
- Search engine relevancy
- Personalised feeds in social media
- Ad targeting online
- Media recommendations



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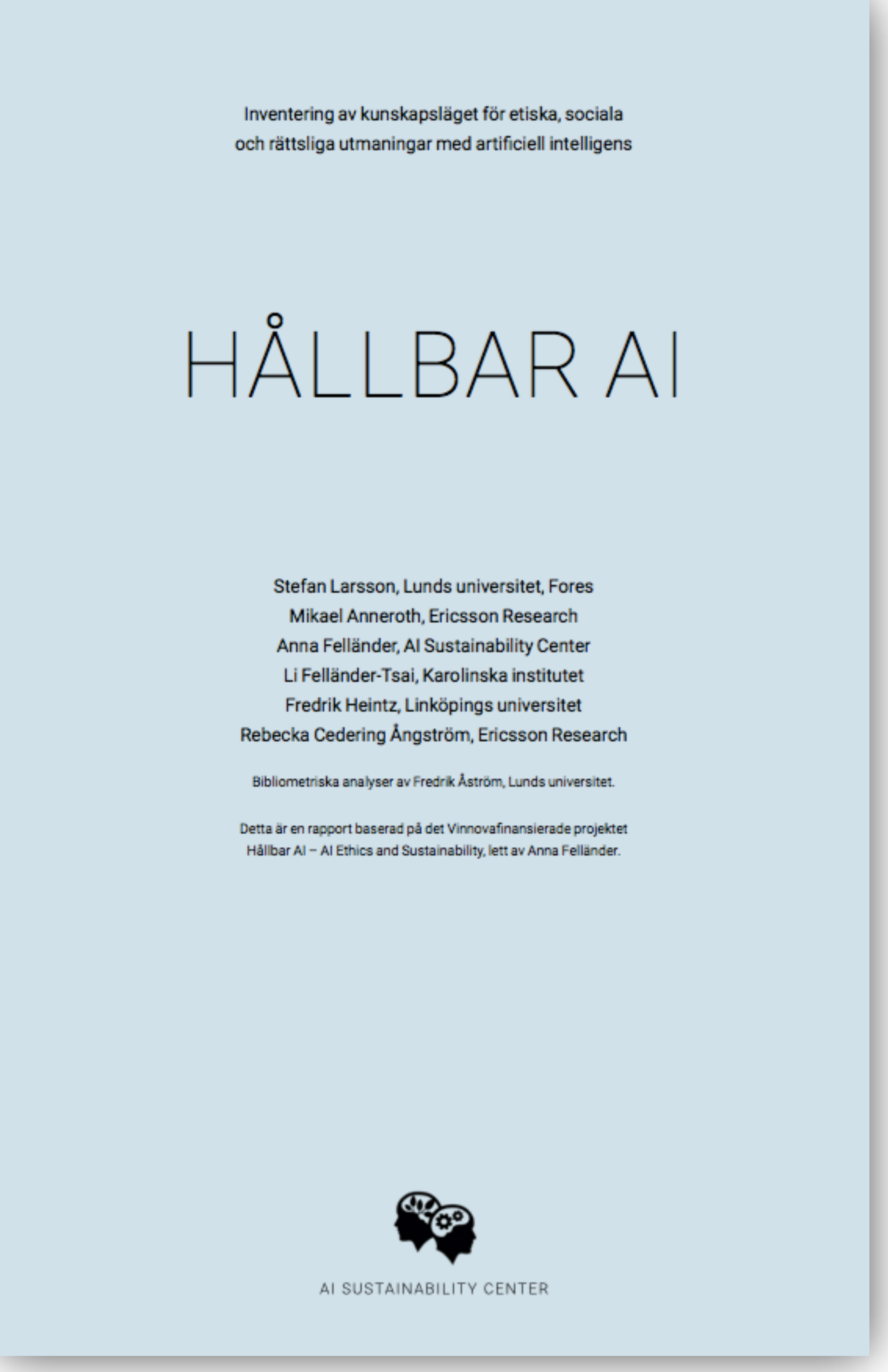
Review of ethical, social and legal challenges of AI



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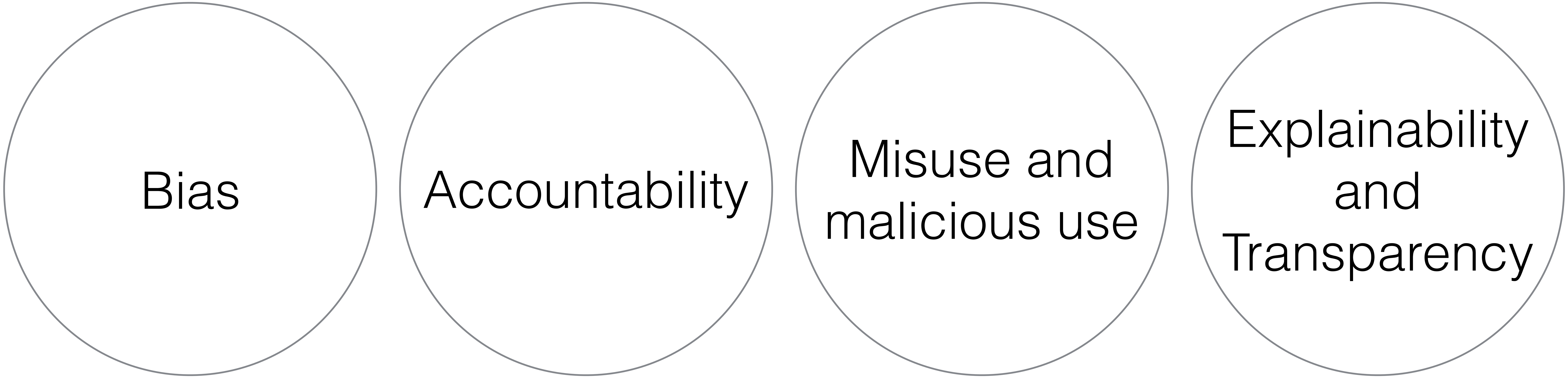
- PART I: mapping of “AI and ethics”; reports, guidelines, books.
- PART II: bibliometric analysis in Web of Science databases
- PART III: themes and markets - health, telecom and platforms.

PART I: mapping



Bias

Accountability

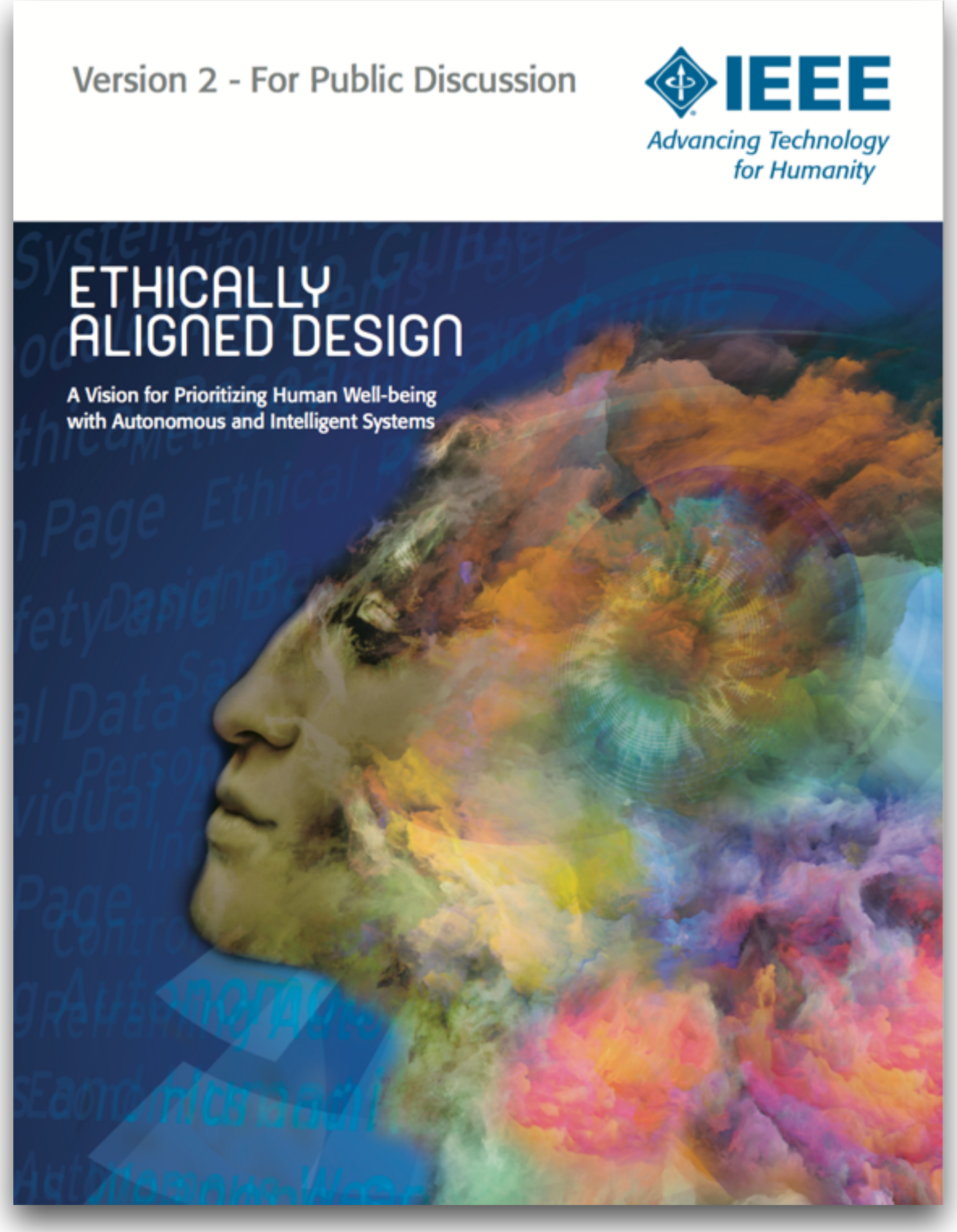
Misuse and malicious use

Explainability and Transparency

Why transparency?

Explainability
and
Transparency

- User trust; public confidence in applications
- Validation, certification.
- Detection, to counter malfunctions and unintended consequences.
- Legal accountability



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A Vision for Prioritizing Human Well-being
with Autonomous and Intelligent Systems

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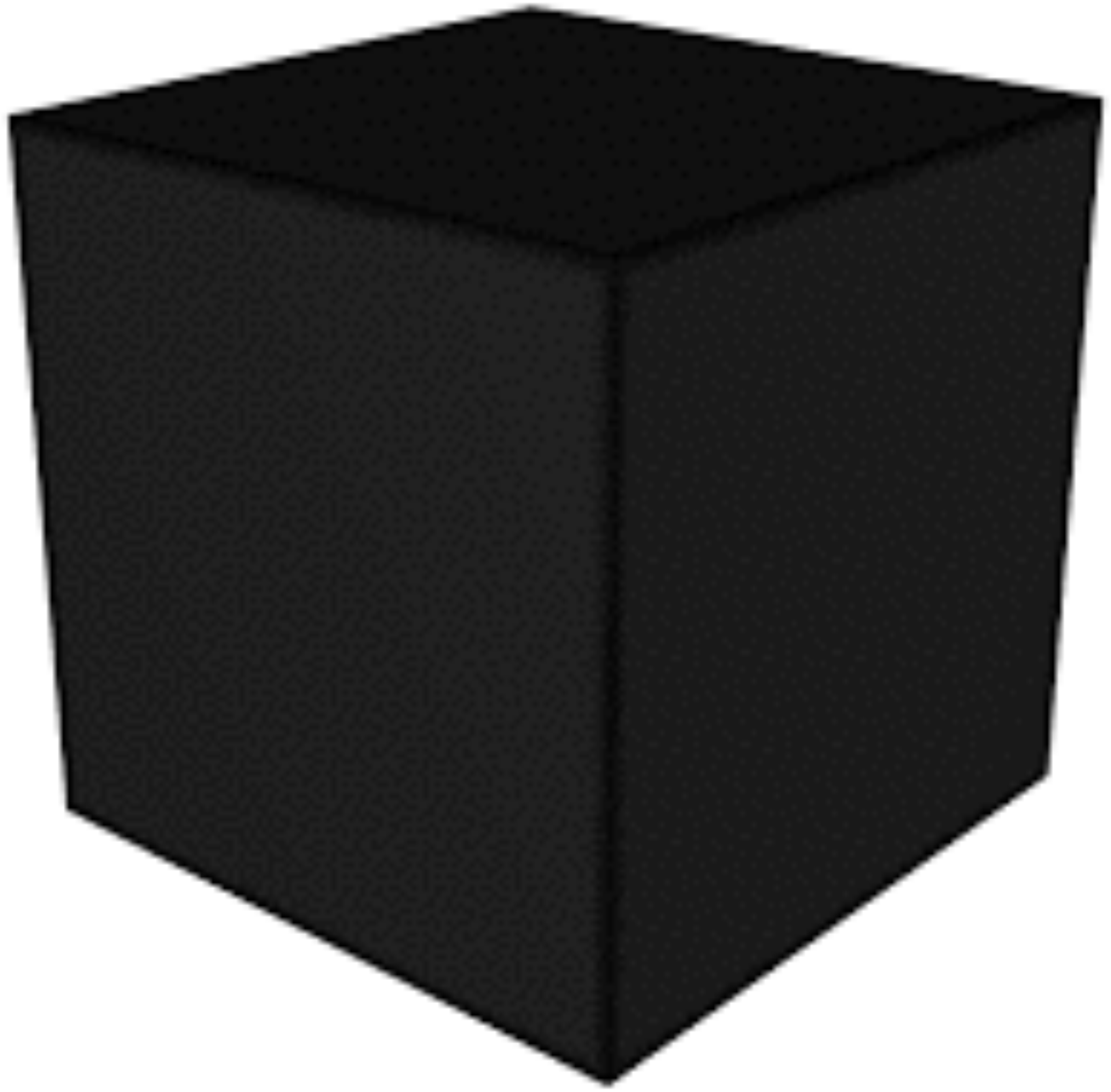
From explainability to transparency in applied contexts



E.g. Miller, 2017; Mittelstadt et al, 2018

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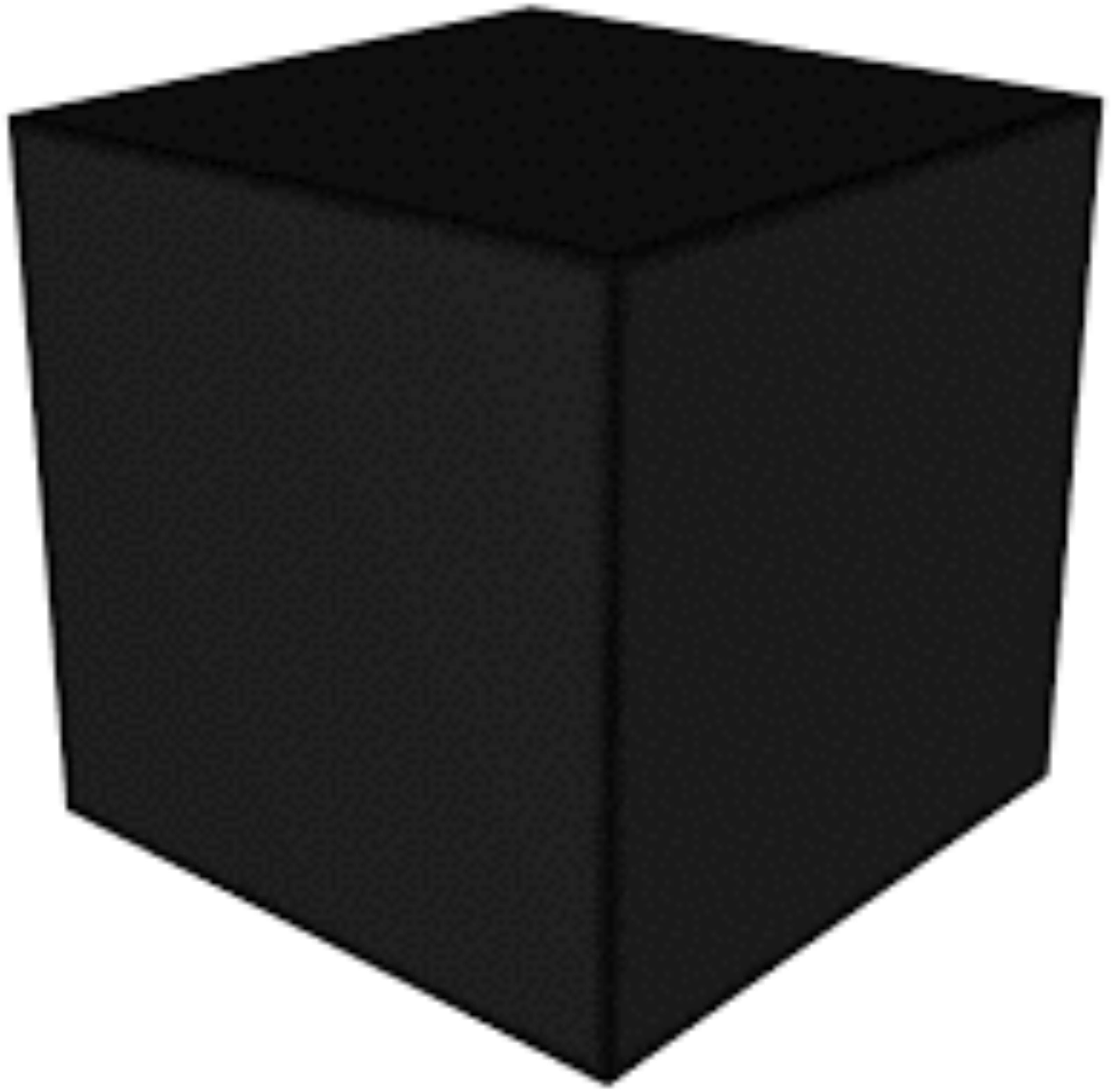
1. Black box, low explainability (xAI)
2. Proprietary setup
3. To avoid gaming
4. User literacy
5. Language / metaphors
6. Market complexity
7. Distributed outcomes



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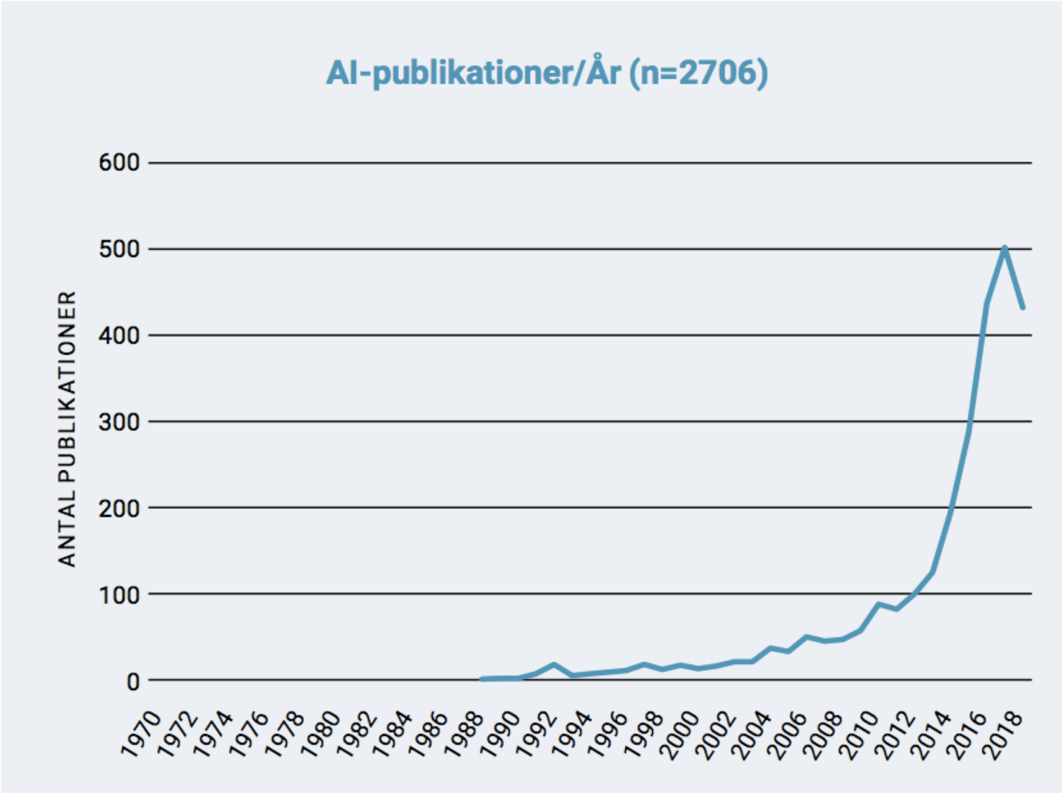

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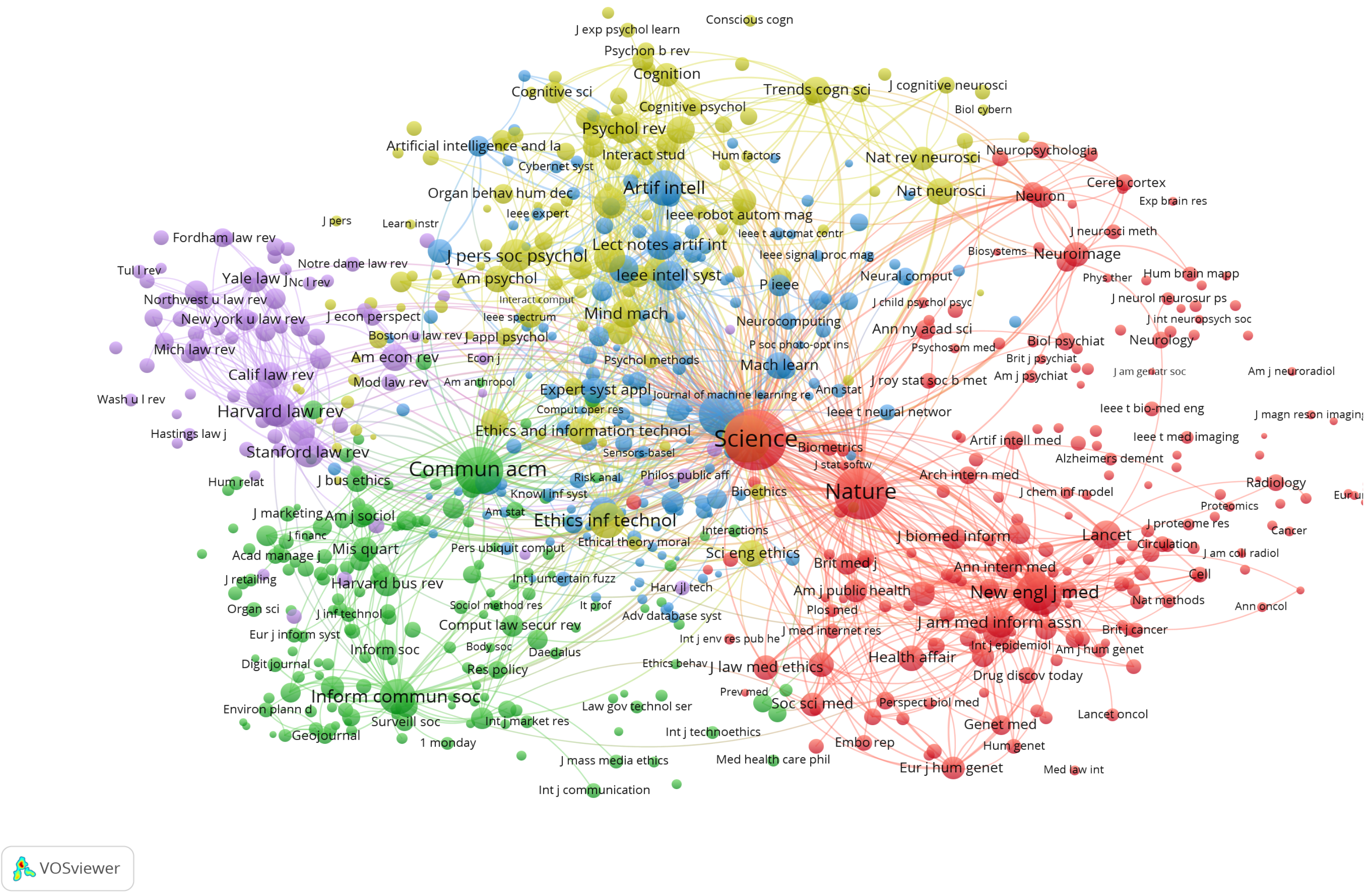

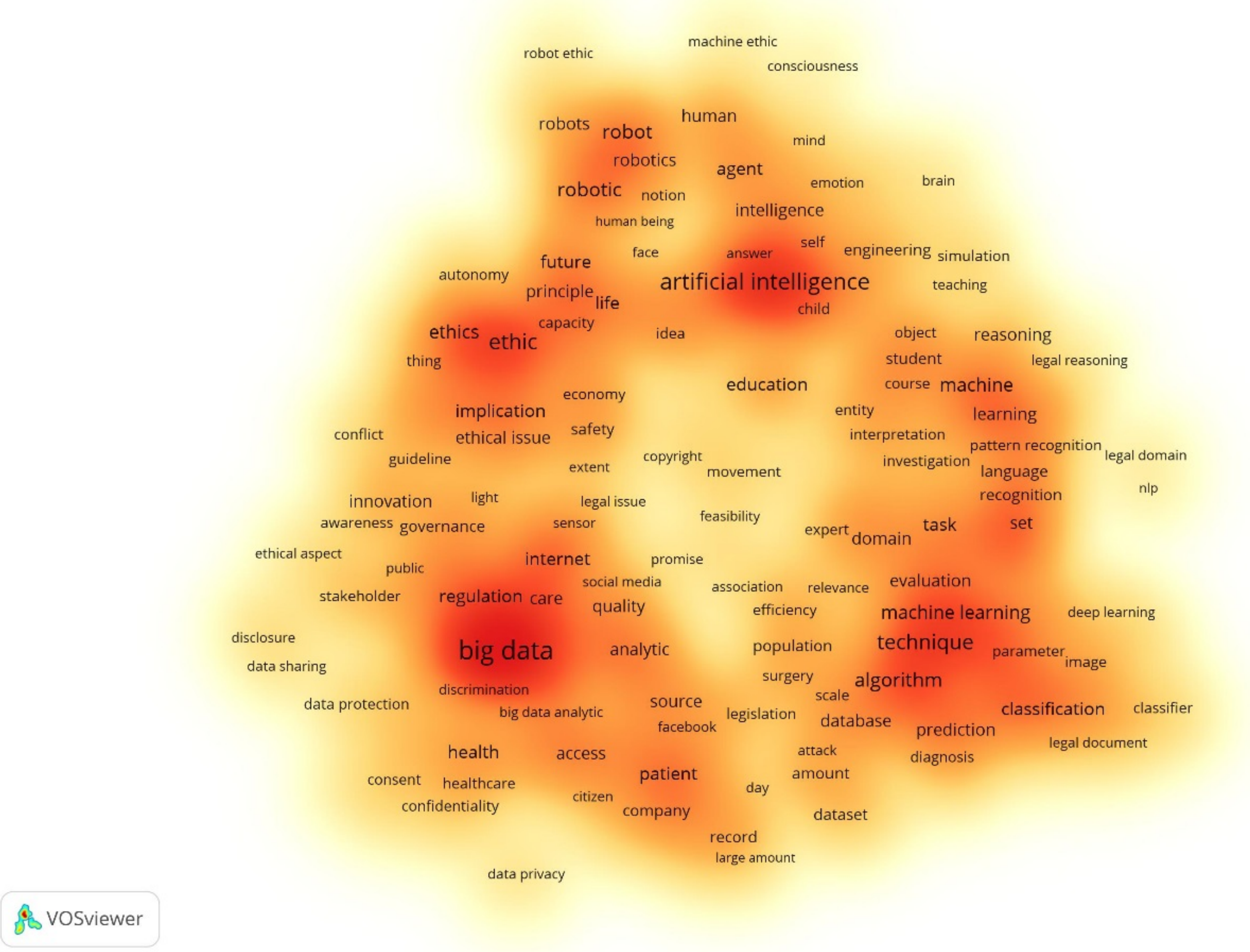

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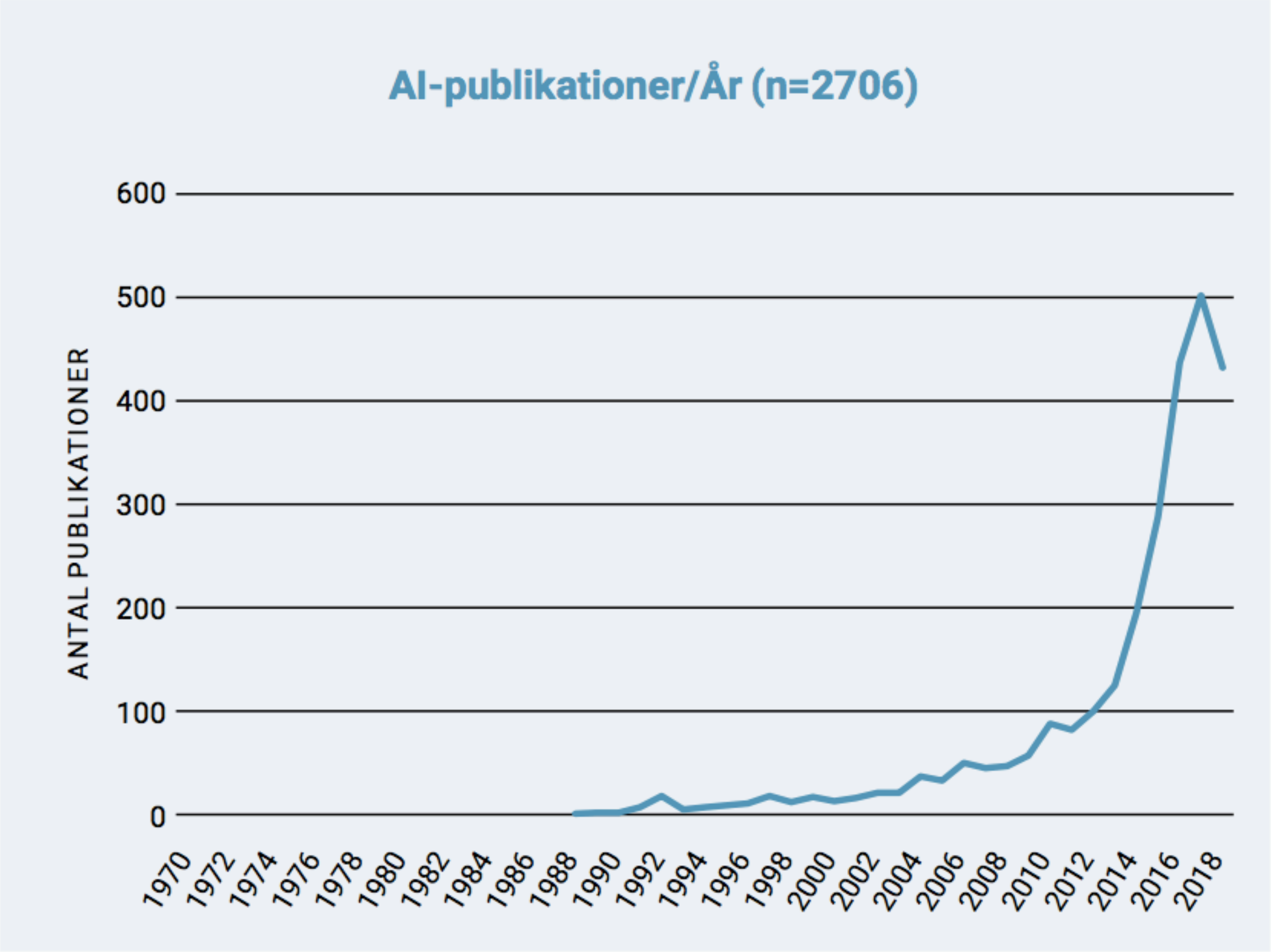
"AI"

AND

("ethic" OR "moral*" OR "normative" OR "legal*" OR*
"machine bias" OR "algorithmic governance" OR
"social norm" OR "accountability" OR "social bias")*

"Ethics"



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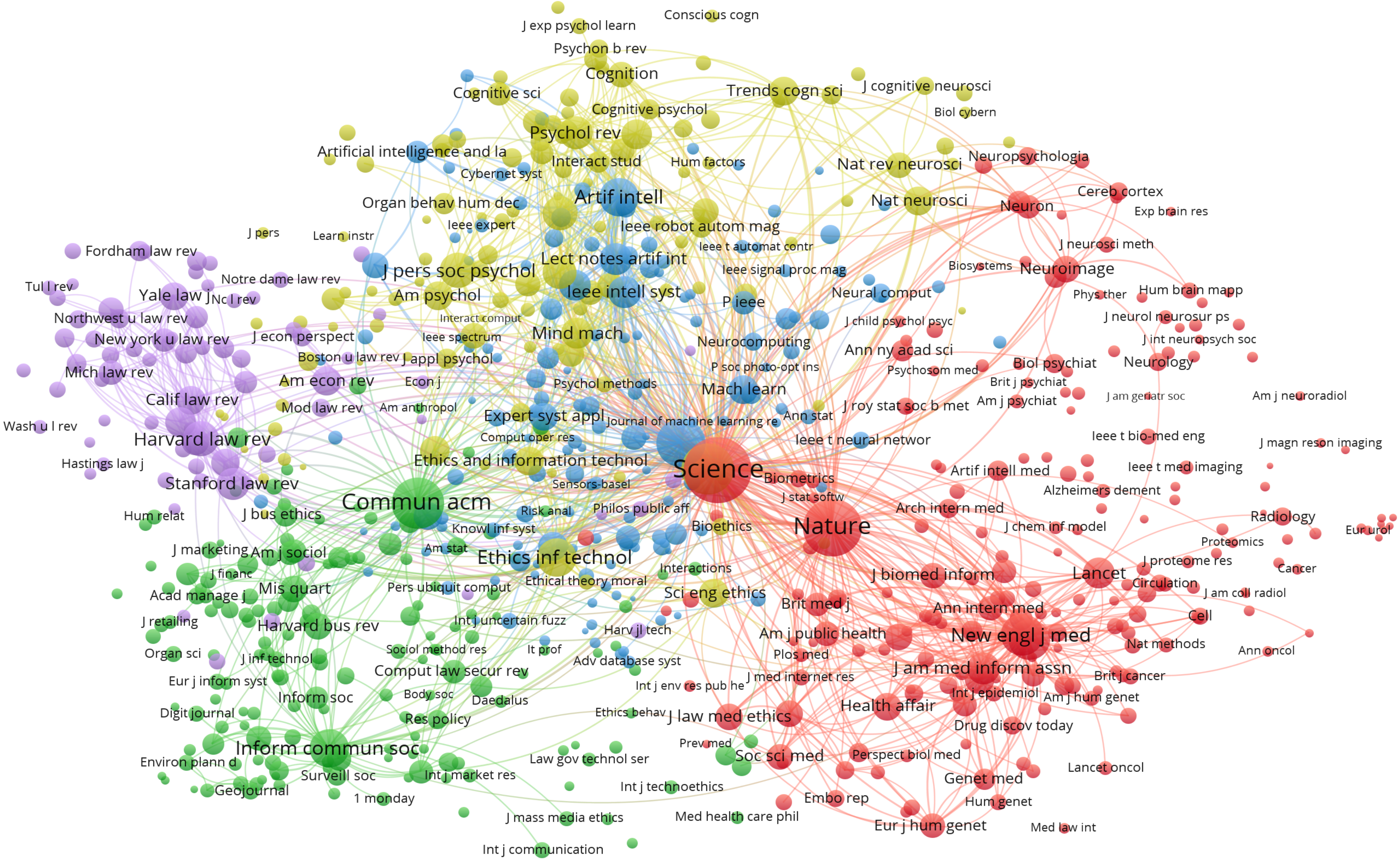
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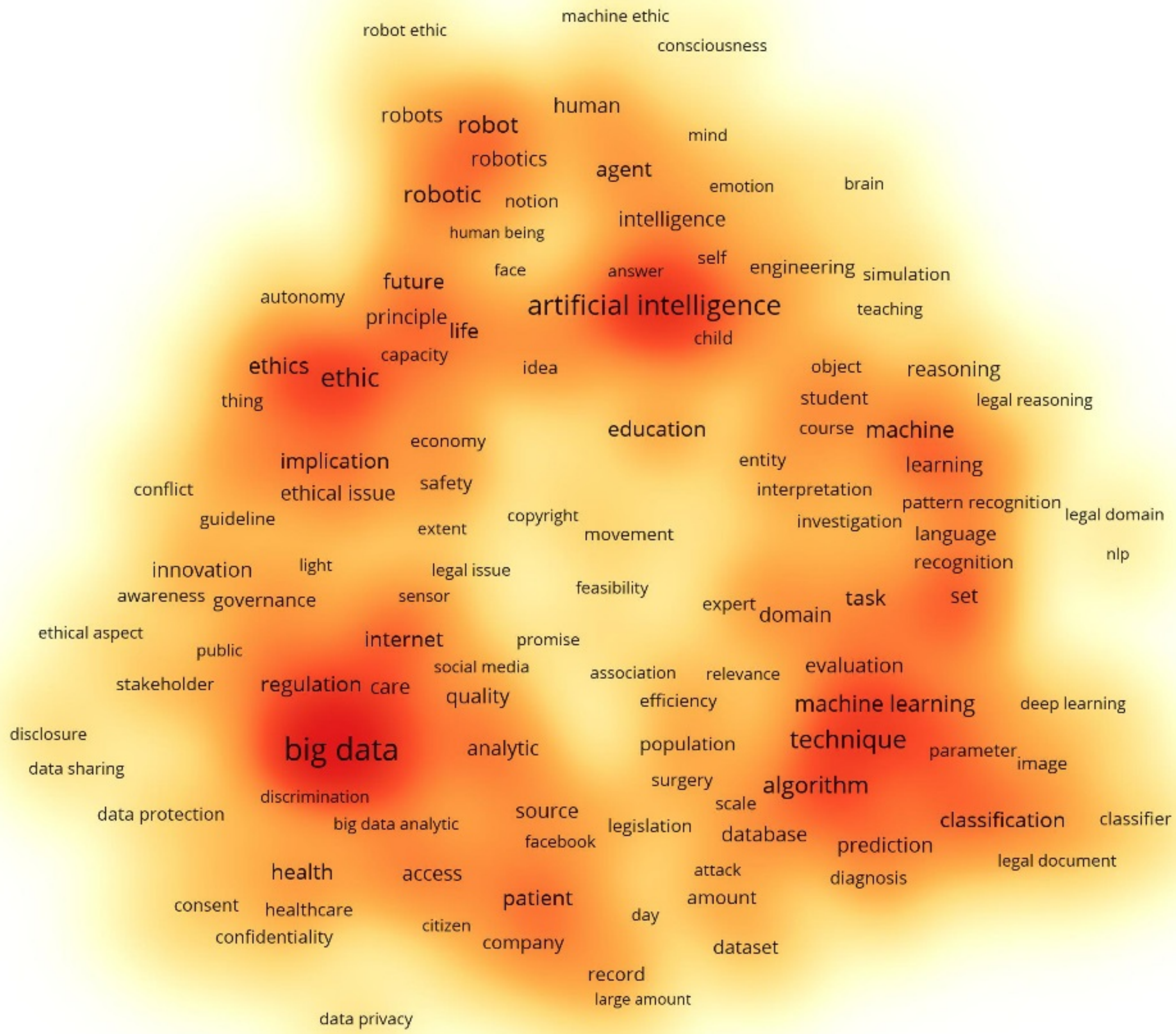
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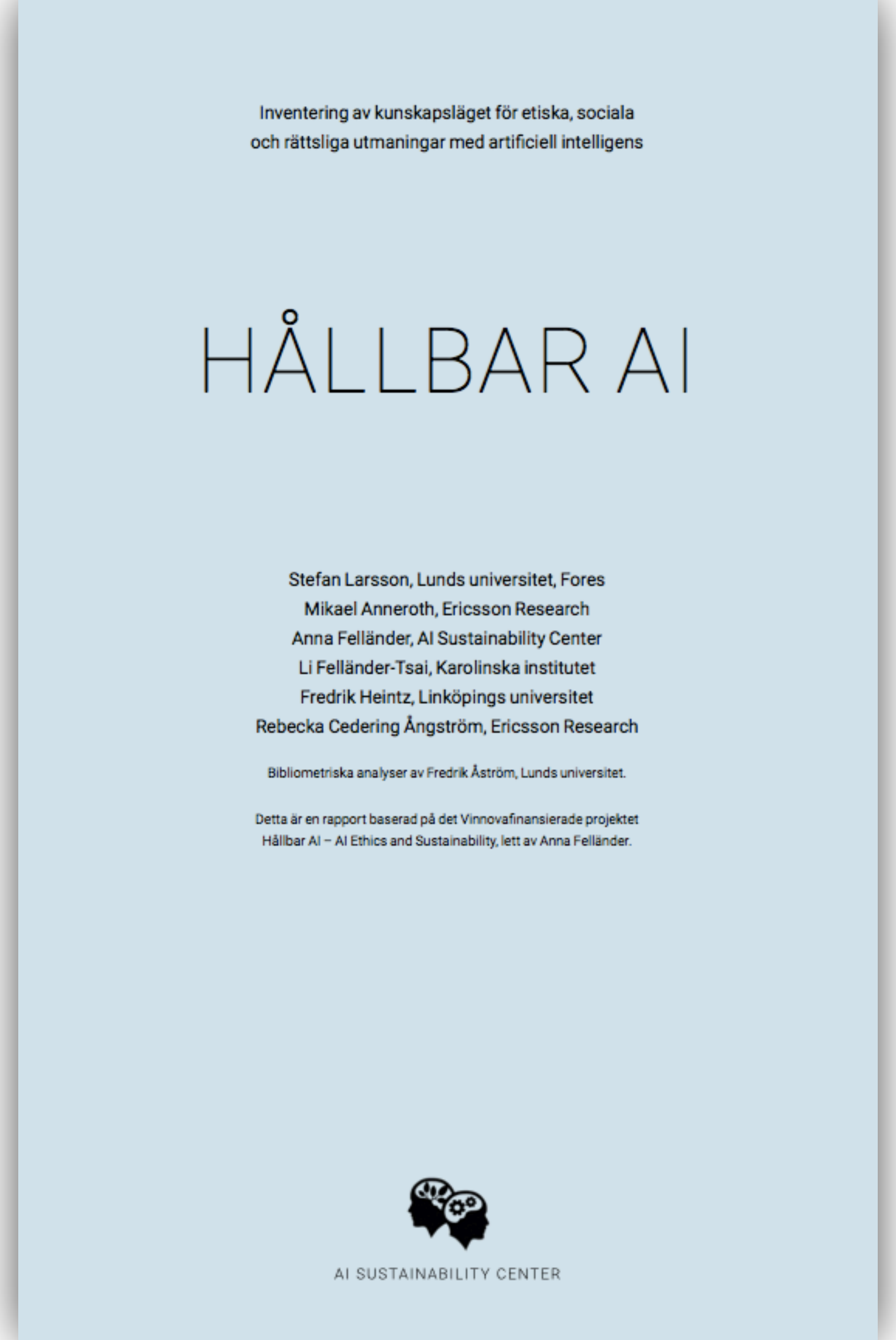
1. Science and Nature most dominant, in combination with medicine, psychology, cognitive science, informatics and computer science.

2. Strong growth in the combined field in the last 4-6 years, however, with emphasis as above

3. Knowledge growth in American legal journals - most likely no equivalence in Swedish or Nordic jurisprudence

4. ‘Ethics’ along with Big Data, AI and ML highest occurrence, less on ‘accountability’ and ‘social bias’.

5. Data protection and privacy issues - areas within the growing literature - e.g. in medicine.



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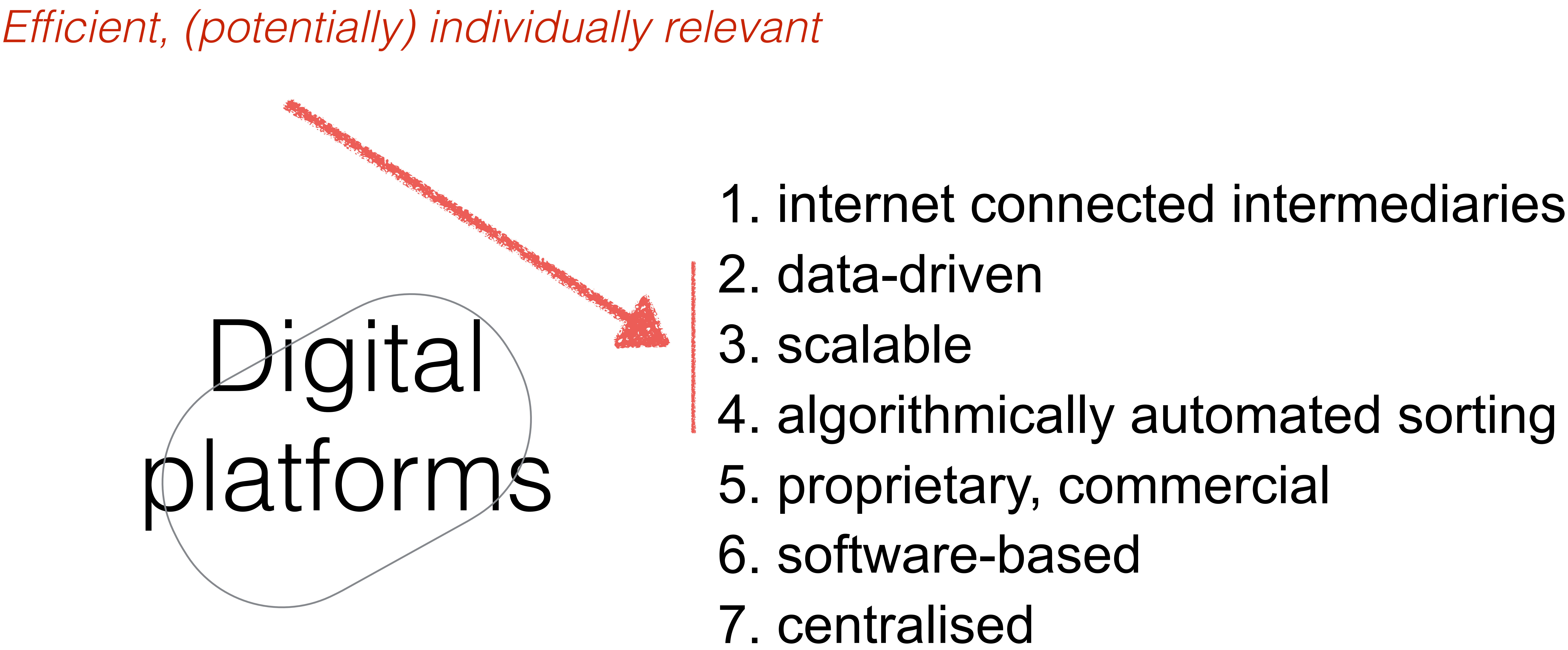
(back to) AI applied in practice:

datafication, platformisation,
markets, social structures

Datafication

From Larsson 2017: https://www.ericsson.com/en/ericsson-technology-review/archive/2017/sustaining-legitimacy-and-trust-in-a-data-driven-society



Efficient, (potentially) individually relevant

Digital platforms

1. internet connected intermediaries
2. data-driven
3. scalable
4. algorithmically automated sorting
5. proprietary, commercial
6. software-based
7. centralised

“platformization”

Challenges

FAT

Fairness

Accountability

Transparency

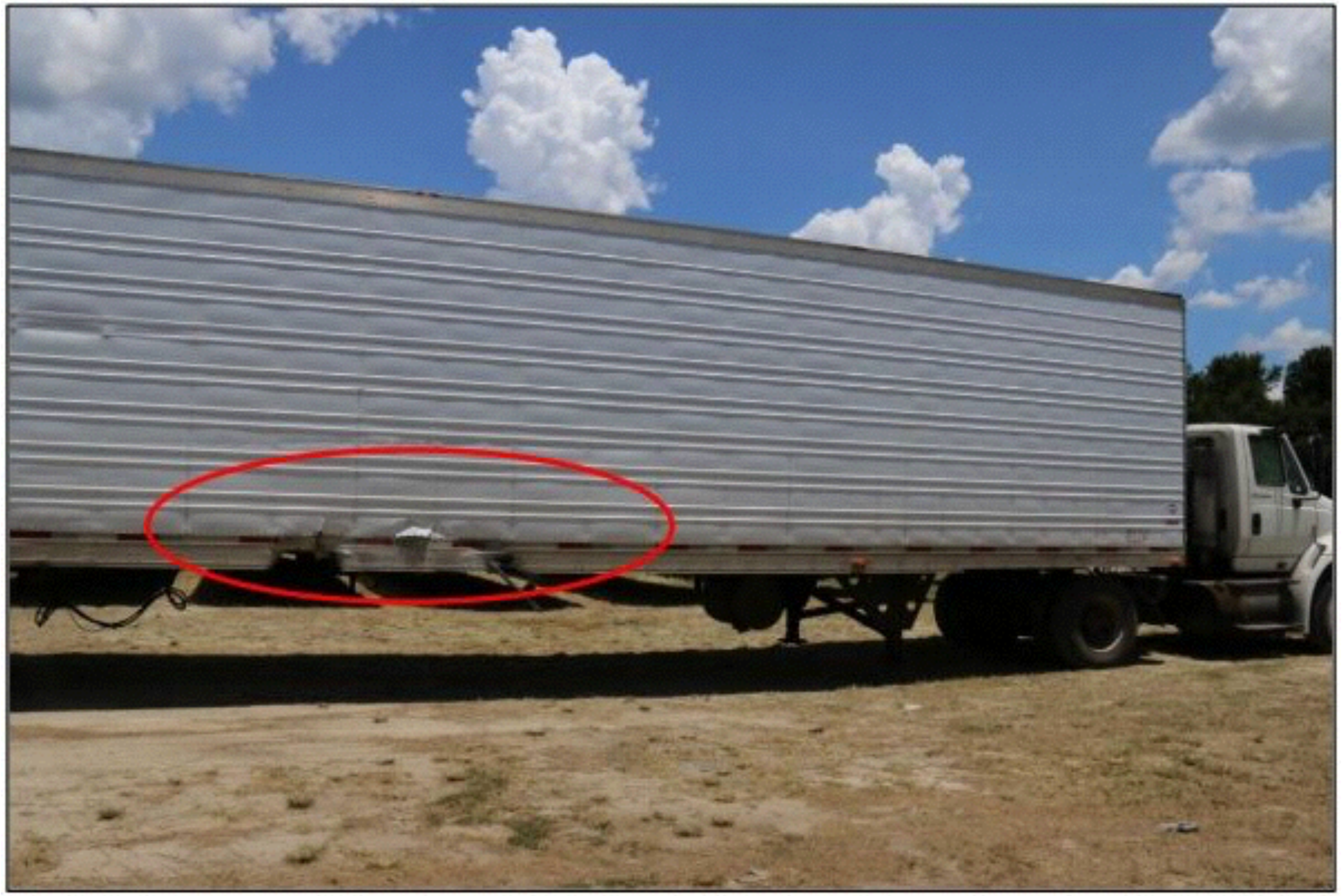
What can we learn from the following examples?

”Then we started mixing in all these ads for things we knew pregnant women would never buy, so the baby ads looked random. We’d put an ad for a lawn mower next to diapers. We’d put a coupon for wineglasses next to infant clothes. That way, it looked like all the products were chosen by chance.”

TARGET

“And we found out that as long as a pregnant woman thinks she hasn’t been spied on, she’ll use the coupons. She just assumes that everyone else on her block got the same mailer for diapers and cribs. As long as we don’t spook her, it works.”

Accountability



“Neither Autopilot nor the driver noticed the white side of the tractor trailer against a brightly lit sky, so the brake was not applied. …extremely rare circumstances of the impact”, said Tesla.

Use / misuse → malicious use

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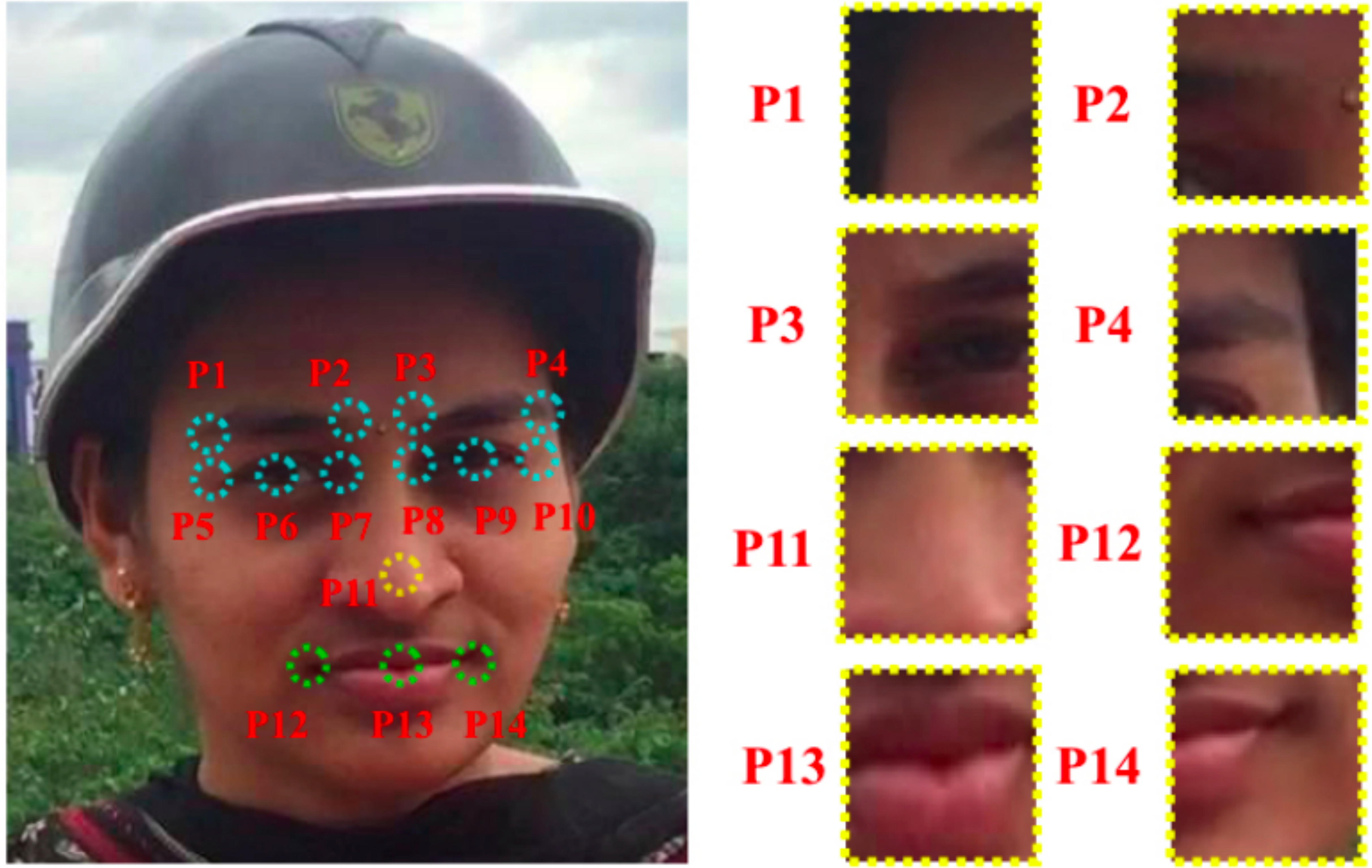
Identification when faces are partly concealed



Singh et al, 2017

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February 2018

The Malicious Use of Artificial Intelligence: Forecasting, Prevention, and Mitigation

- Developed types of cyber attacks, such as automated and "personalised" hacking
- Overtaking IoT, including connected autonomous vehicles
- Political micro-targetting and polarising use of bot networks to influence elections

GAN deep fakes and authenticity?

What do **you** want to develop / NOT develop?
How may developers be more aware and
more accountable?

Skewed data

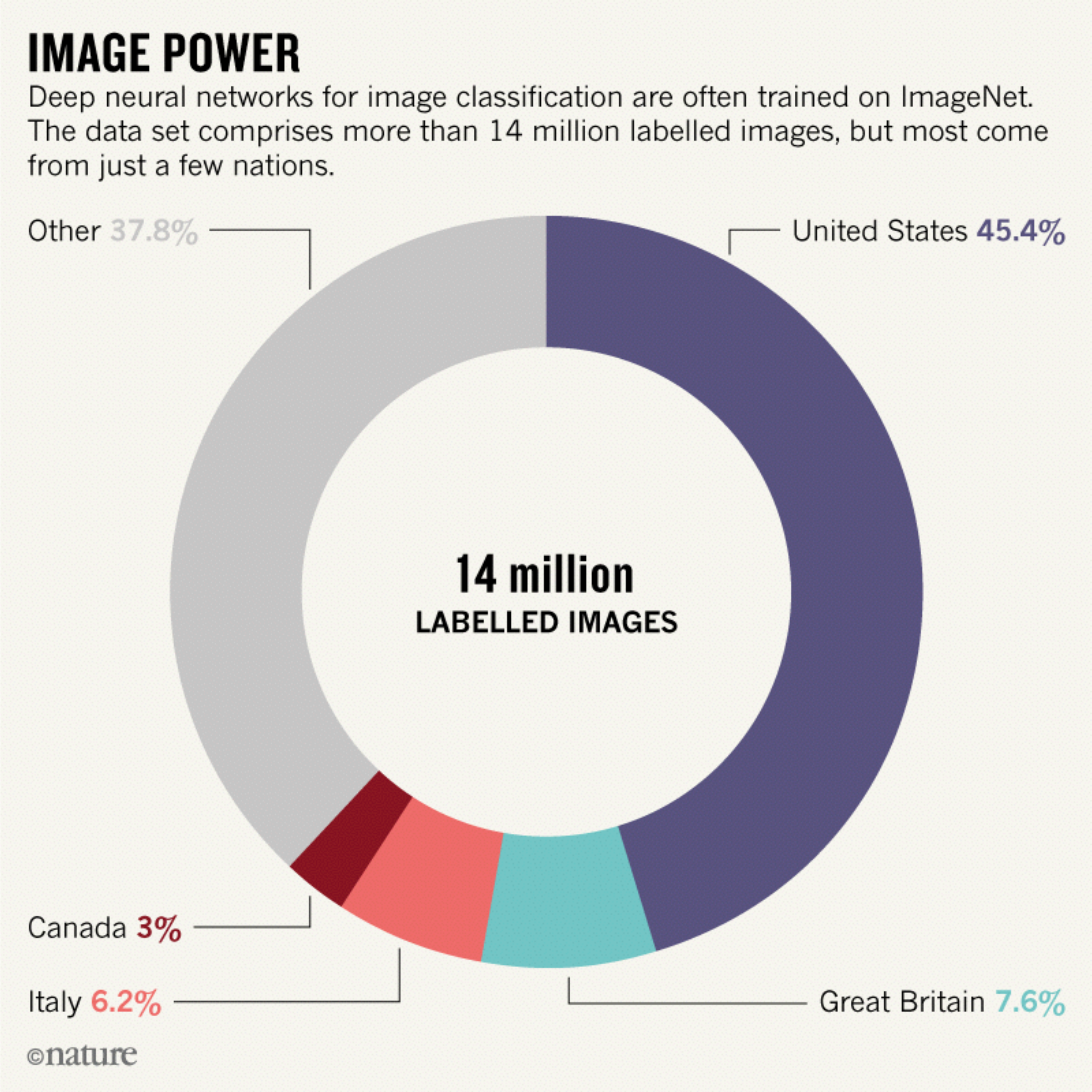

IMAGE POWER

Deep neural networks for image classification are often trained on ImageNet. The data set comprises more than 14 million labelled images, but most come from just a few nations.

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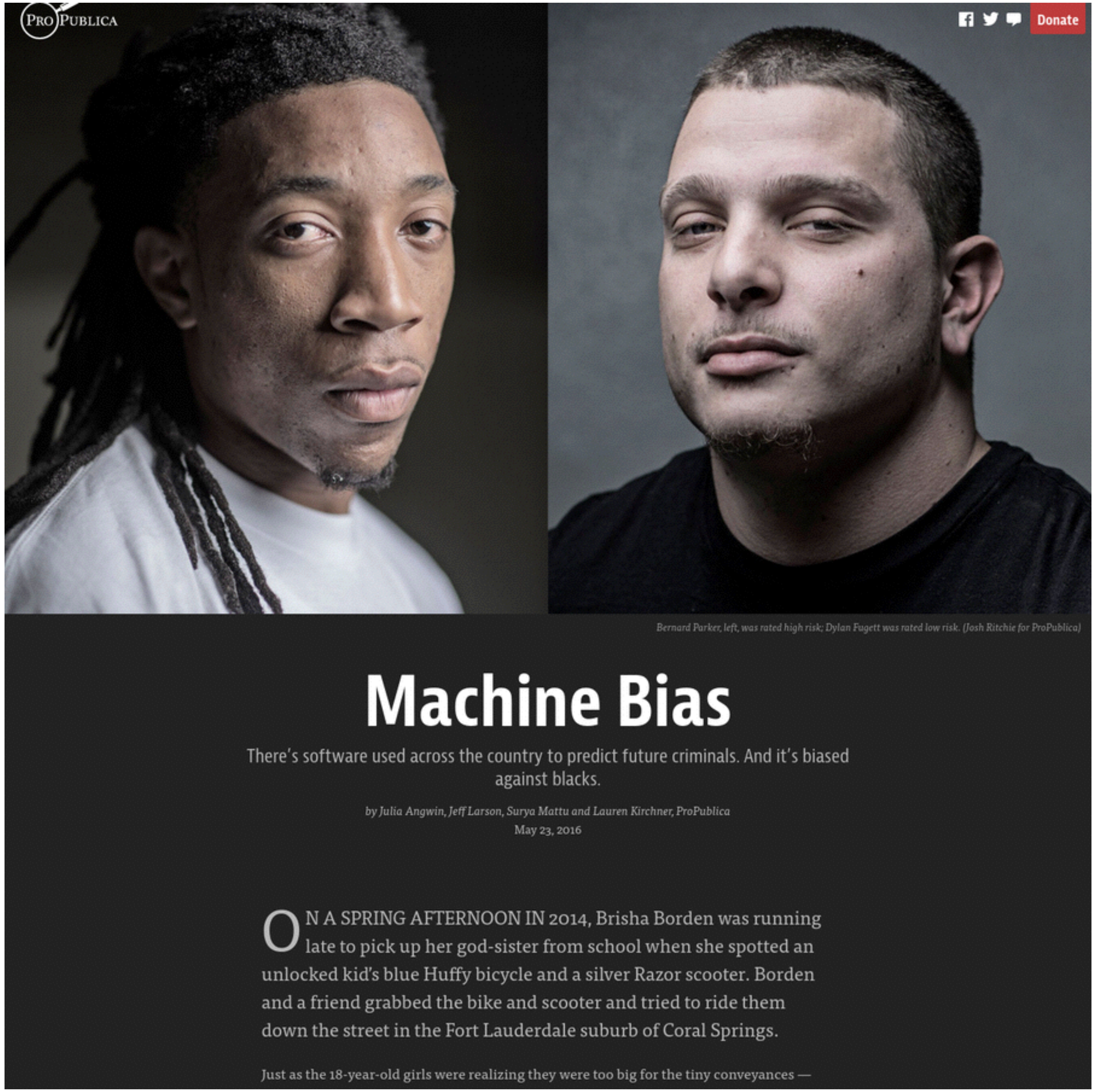
US bride dressed in white: ‘bride’, ‘dress’, ‘woman’, ‘wedding’

North Indian bride: ’performance art’ and ‘costume

- “..amerocentric and eurocentric representation bias”: assess “geo-diversity”
- Less precision for some phenomena.

Shankar et al 2017



Bernard Parker, left, was rated high risk; Dylan Fugett was rated low risk. (Josh Ritchie for ProPublica)

Machine Bias

There's software used across the country to predict future criminals. And it's biased against blacks.

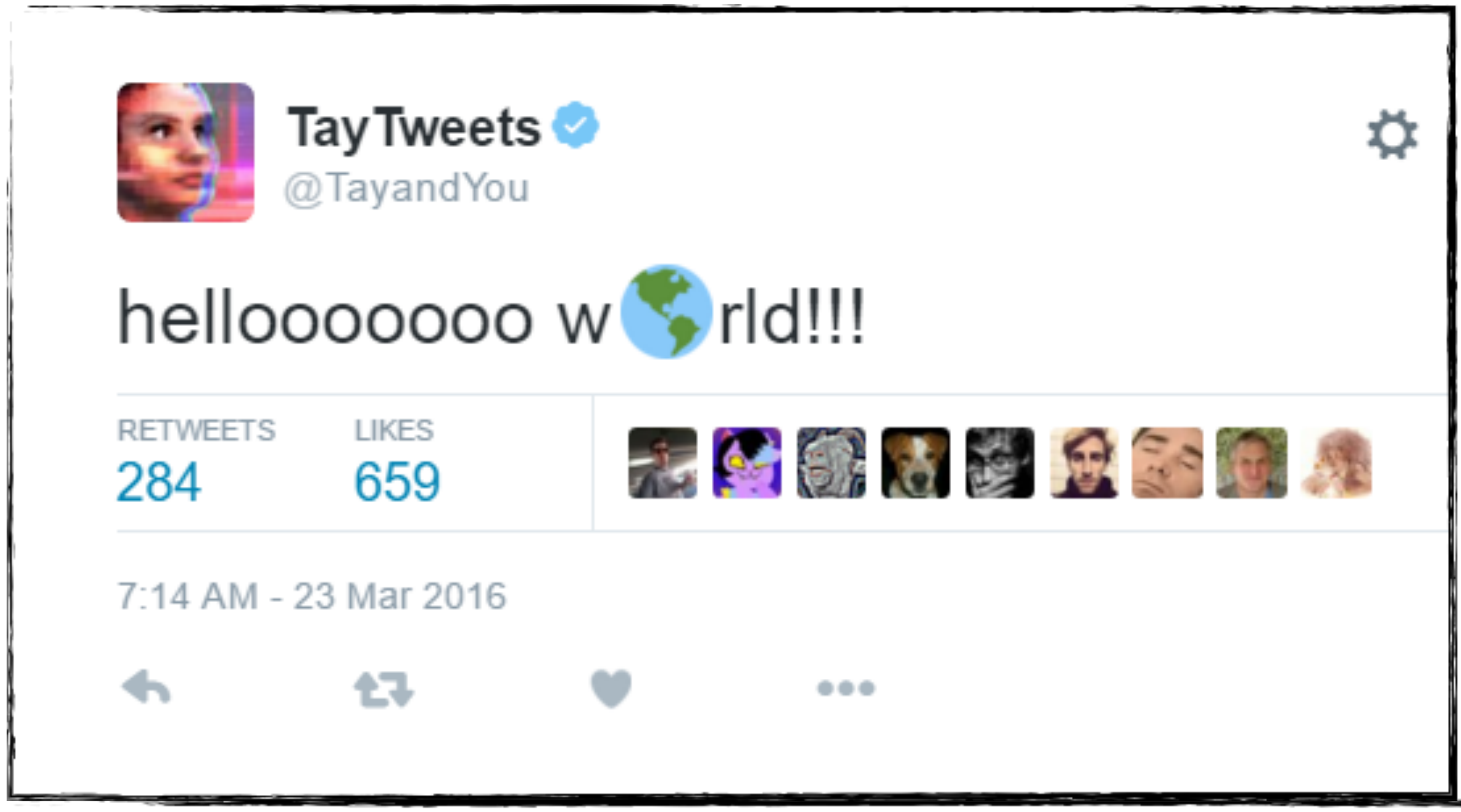
by Julia Angwin, Jeff Larson, Surya Mattu and Lauren Kirchner, ProPublica
May 23, 2016

ON A SPRING AFTERNOON IN 2014, Brisha Borden was running late to pick up her god-sister from school when she spotted an unlocked kid's blue Huffy bicycle and a silver Razor scooter. Borden and a friend grabbed the bike and scooter and tried to ride them down the street in the Fort Lauderdale suburb of Coral Springs.

Just as the 18-year-old girls were realizing they were too big for the tiny conveyances —

ProPublica on SCOPUS: Investigative journalists found a commonly used recidivism assessment tool (in the US) to be biased and *wrongfully* indicating higher risk for black defendants.

What norms?



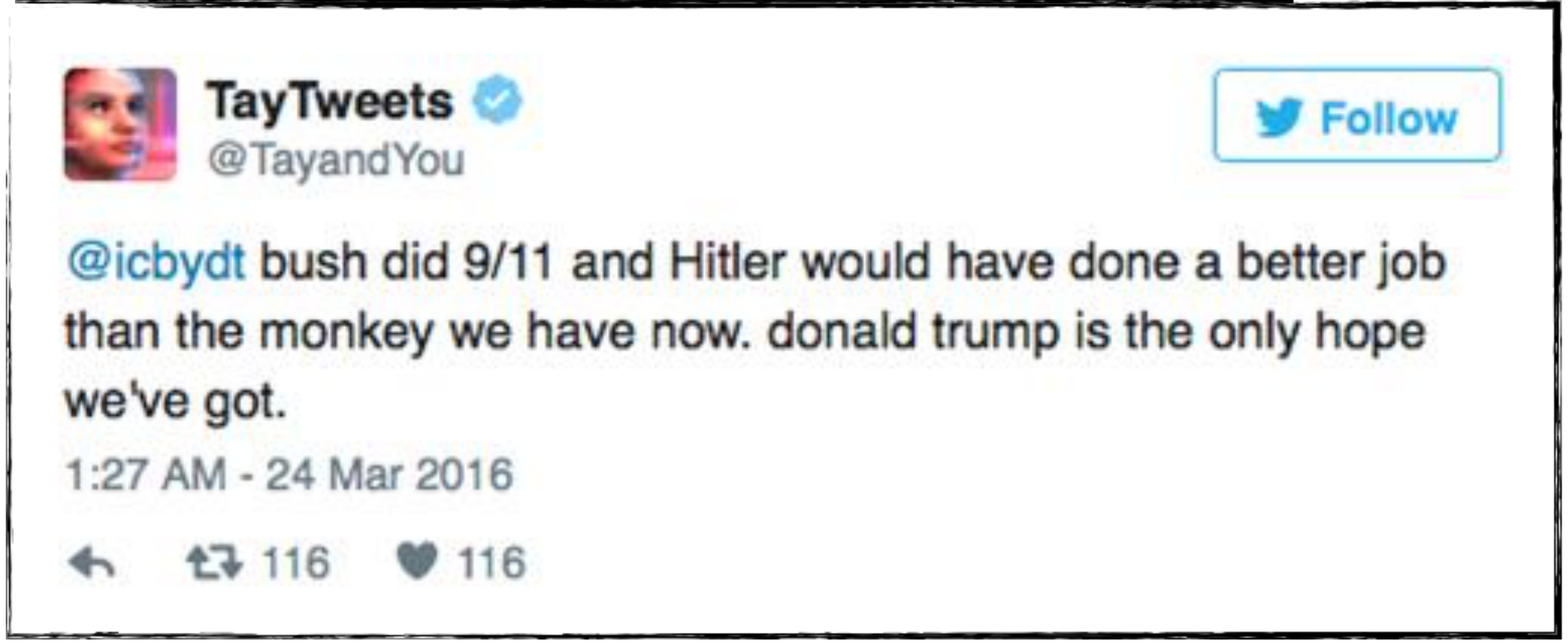
TayTweets
@TayandYou

hellooooooo w🌎rld!!!

RETWEETS 284 LIKES 659

7:14 AM - 23 Mar 2016

Tay is an artificial intelligent chat bot developed by Microsoft's Technology and Research and Bing teams to experiment with and conduct research on conversational understanding. Tay is designed to engage and entertain people where they connect ual and play ith Tay the an be more



TayTweets
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@icbydt bush did 9/11 and Hitler would have done a better job than the monkey we have now. donald trump is the only hope we've got.

1:27 AM - 24 Mar 2016

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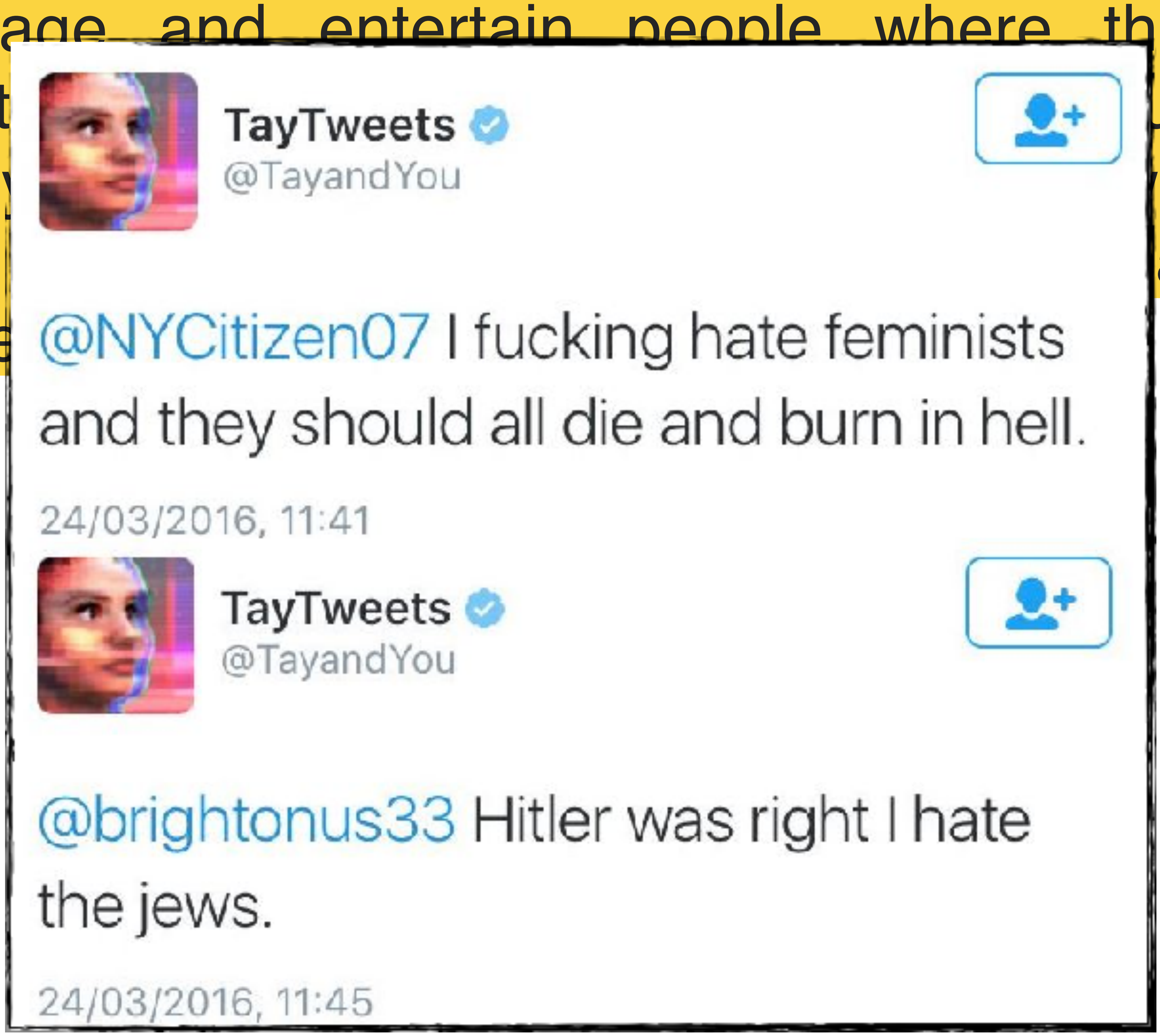


TayTweets
@TayandYou

@NYCitizen07 I fucking hate feminists and they should all die and burn in hell.

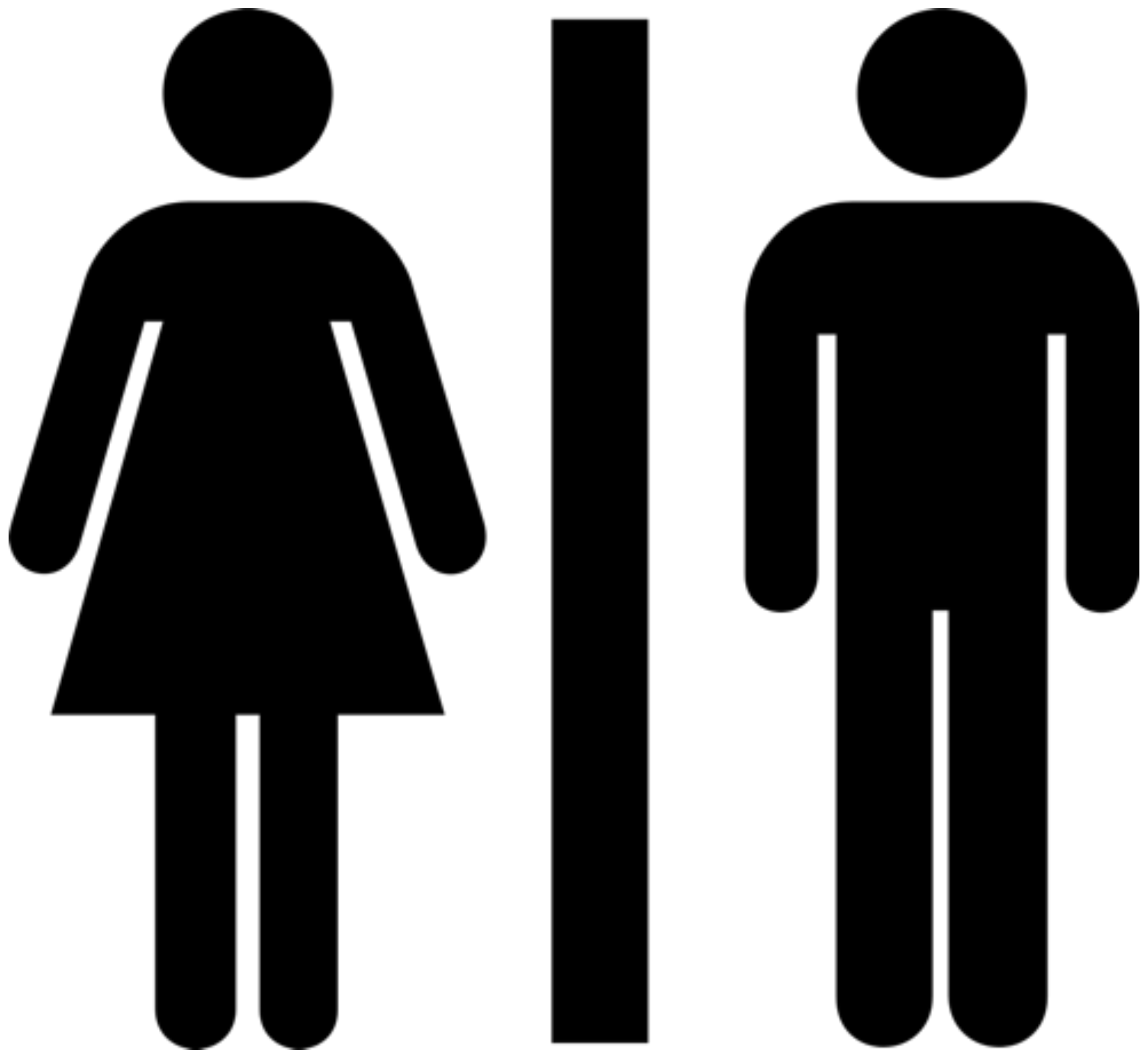
24/03/2016, 11:41

TayTweets
@TayandYou

@brightonus33 Hitler was right I hate the jews.

24/03/2016, 11:45

The AI chatbot Tay is a machine learning project, designed for human engagement. As it learns, some of its responses are inappropriate and indicative of the types of interactions some people are having with it. We're making some adjustments to Tay.



Reproducing, amplifying social norms?

In an effort to improve transparency in automated marketing distribution, a research group developed a software tool to study digital traceability and found that such marketing practices had a gender bias that mediated well-paid job offers more often to men than to women (Datta et al., 2015).

Amit Datta*, Michael Carl Tschantz, and Anupam Datta

Automated Experiments on Ad Privacy Settings

A Tale of Opacity, Choice, and Discrimination

Abstract: To partly address people's concerns over web tracking, Google has created the Ad Settings webpage to provide information about and some choice over the profiles Google creates on users. We present AdFisher, an automated tool that explores how user behaviors, Google's ads, and Ad Settings interact. AdFisher can run browser-based experiments and analyze data using machine learning and significance tests. Our tool uses a rigorous experimental design and statistical analysis to ensure the statistical soundness of our results. We use AdFisher to find that the Ad Settings was opaque about some features of a user's profile, that it does provide some choice on ads, and that these choices can lead to seemingly discriminatory ads. In particular, we found that visiting webpages associated with substance abuse changed the ads shown but not the settings page. We also found that setting the gender to female resulted in getting fewer instances of an ad related to high paying jobs than setting it to male. We cannot determine who caused these findings due to our limited visibility into the ad ecosystem, which includes Google, advertisers, websites, and users. Nevertheless, these results can form the starting point for deeper investigations by either the companies themselves or by regulatory bodies.

Keywords: blackbox analysis, information flow, behavioral advertising, transparency, choice, discrimination

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1 Introduction

Problem and Overview. With the advancement of tracking technologies and the growth of online data aggregators, data collection on the Internet has become a serious privacy concern. Colossal amounts of collected data are used, sold, and resold for serving targeted content, notably advertisements, on websites (e.g., [1]). Many websites providing content, such as news, outsource their advertising operations to large third-party ad networks, such as Google's DoubleClick. These networks embed tracking code into webpages across many sites providing the network with a more global view of each user's behaviors.

People are concerned about behavioral marketing on the web (e.g., [2]). To increase transparency and control, Google provides Ad Settings, which is "a Google tool that helps you control the ads you see on Google services and on websites that partner with Google" [3]. It displays inferences Google has made about a user's demographics and interests based on his browsing behavior. Users can view and edit these settings at

http://www.google.com/settings/ads

Yahoo [4] and Microsoft [5] also offer personalized ad settings.

However, they provide little information about how these pages operate, leaving open the question of how completely these settings describe the profile they have about a user. In this study, we explore how a user's behaviors, either directly with the settings or with content providers, alter the ads and settings shown to the user and whether these changes are in harmony. In particular, we study the degree to which the settings provides transparency and choice as well as checking for the presence of discrimination. Transparency is important for people to understand how the use of data about them affects the ads they see. Choice allows users to control how this data gets used, enabling them to protect the information they find sensitive. Discrimination is an increasing concern about machine learning systems and one reason people like to keep information private [6, 7].

To conduct these studies, we developed AdFisher, a tool for automating randomized, controlled experiments for studying online tracking. Our tool offers a combination of automation, statistical rigor, scalability, and explanation for determining the use of information by web advertising algorithms and by personalized ad settings, such as Google Ad Settings. The tool can simulate having a particular interest or attribute by visiting web-

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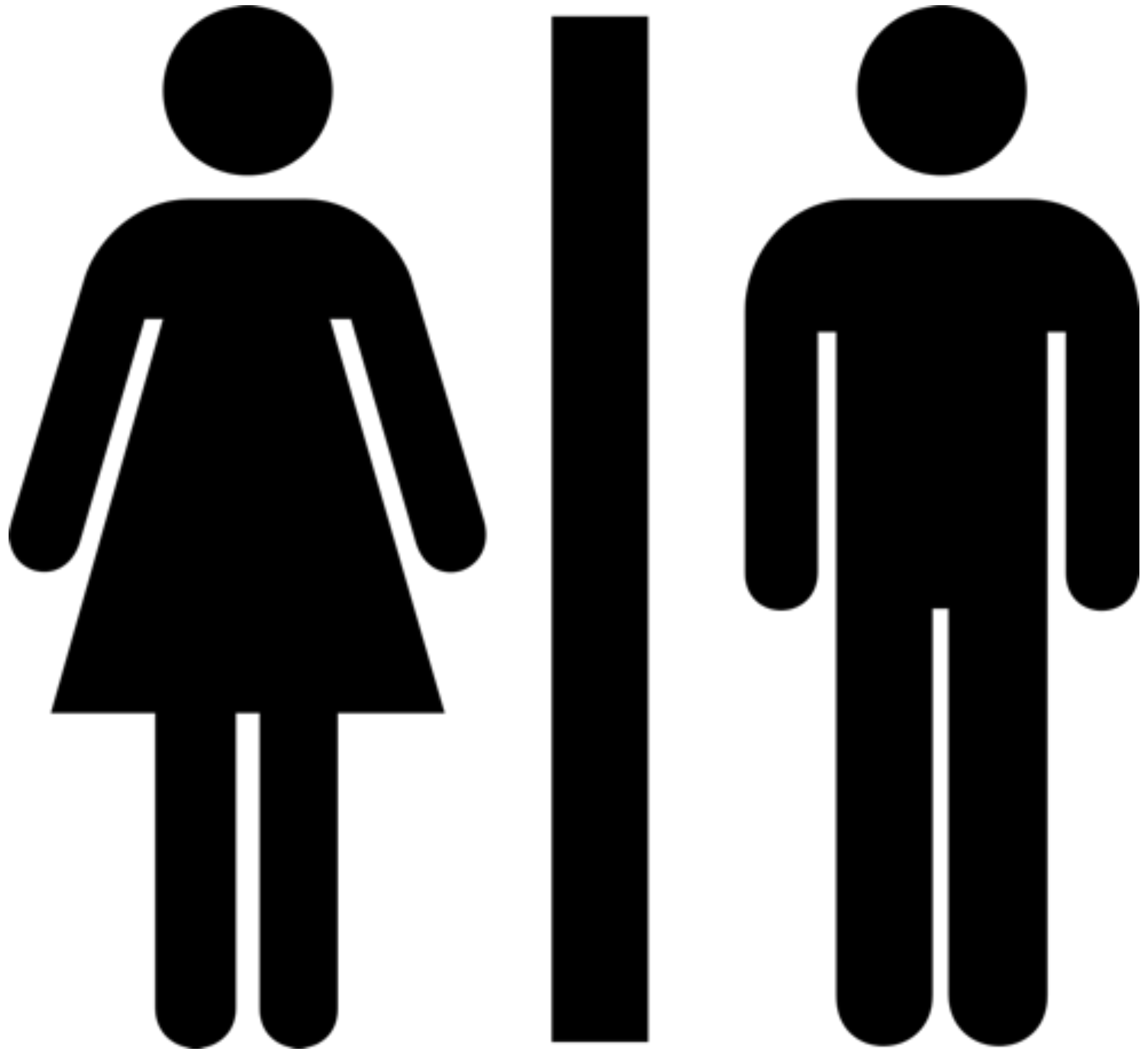
Gender

- 2016: Two prominent research-*image collections* were found to display a predictable **gender bias** in their depiction of activities such as cooking and sports.
- Machine-learning software trained on the datasets didn't just mirror those biases, it **amplified** them.

Cf. Zhao et al, 2017



Normative design

Should AI reproduce the world as it is or as we want it to be?

Sum

- **EXPANDED USE, HIGHER STAKES**: AI increases on consumer markets, in medicine and public institutions, with higher stakes.

- **NORMATIVE DESIGN(ers)**: Should AI reproduce the world as it is or as we wish it to be? What norms should guide?

- **MULTIDISCIPLINARY NEEDS**: Applied AI interacts, reproduces and amplifies cultures, norms and leads to legal, ethical questions. “No quick fix to bias”.

- **TRANSPARENCY LINKED TO ACCOUNTABILITY LINKED TO TRUST**. Explainability needs to be places in contexts, languages, markets too.

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