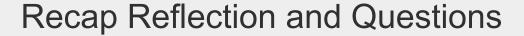


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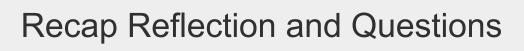
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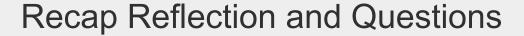
Responsibility follows control and intervention. The party that designs, modifies, or deploys an AI system remains accountable for its outcomes. Updates are active interventions and thus carry renewed liability. Users and institutions share secondary responsibility for oversight.





What forms of transparency genuinely help the public understand and trust Al decisions?

Meaningful transparency focuses on reasoning and impact. Users and regulators need insight into how and why a decision was made, what data influenced it, and what safeguards exist. Not the model's code or proprietary details.





 How can we detect and prevent misuse or gradual repurposing of AI systems once they are deployed?

Preventing misuse requires governance beyond design. Continuous auditing, purpose limitation, and oversight mechanisms are needed to detect function creep and ensure systems are not silently redirected toward harmful or exploitative uses.



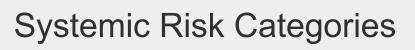


 How should societies balance technological progress with the ethical obligation to act cautiously when risks are uncertain?

➤ Ethical caution should guide, not halt, innovation. The precautionary principle supports iterative, transparent experimentation. Progress that acknowledges uncertainty while minimising irreversible harm.



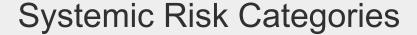
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Control

 The risk of AI models and systems acting against human interests due to misalignment, loss of control, or rogue AI scenarios.

Democracy

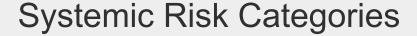
The erosion of democratic processes and public trust in social/political institutions

Discrimination

The creation, perpetuation or exacerbation of inequalities and biases at a large-scale.

Economy

 Economic disruptions ranging from large impacts on the labor market to broader economic changes that could lead to exacerbated wealth inequality, instability in the financial system, labor exploitation or other economic dimensions.





Environment

The impact of AI on the environment, including risks related to climate change and pollution.

Fundamental Rights

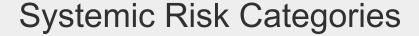
The large-scale erosion or violation of fundamental human rights and freedoms.

Governance

 The complex and rapidly evolving nature of Al makes them inherently difficult to govern effectively, leading to systemic regulatory and oversight failures.

Harms to non-humans

Large-scale harms to animals and the development of AI capable of suffering.





Information

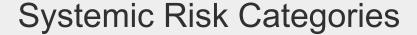
 Large-scale influence on communication and information systems, and epistemic processes more generally.

Irreversible change

 Profound negative long-term changes to social structures, cultural norms, and human relationships that may be difficult or impossible to reverse.

Power

 The concentration of military, economic, or political power of entities in possession or control of Al or Al-enabled technologies





Security

 The international and national security threats, including cyber warfare, arms races, and geopolitical instability.

Warfare

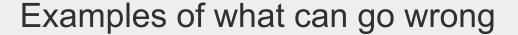
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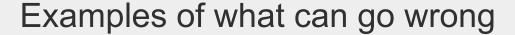


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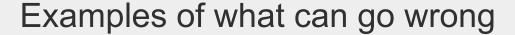
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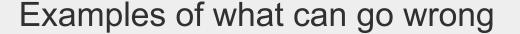
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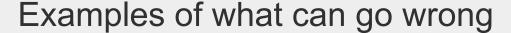
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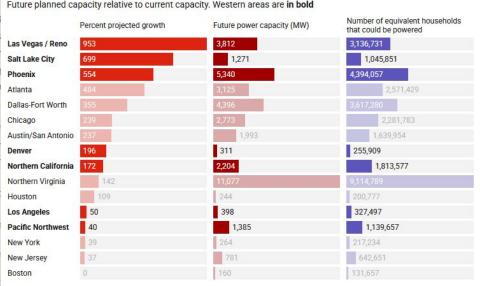
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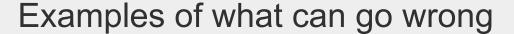
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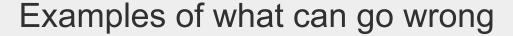
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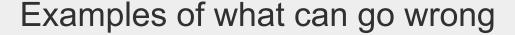


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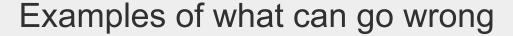
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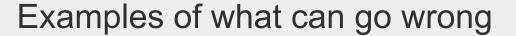
Williams spent two days in custody and was charged with an indecent exposure crime.

"He was arrested, he was prosecuted, and in spite of us telling the district attorney's office that we had evidence that Mr. Williams was nowhere near the scene of the crime at the time, the case continued," said Diane Akerman, an attorney with the Legal Aid Society's Digital Forensics Unit.

Williams' case was eventually dismissed.

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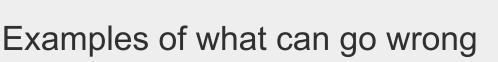






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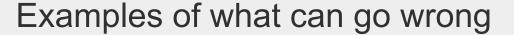


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Schrems criticised Meta's rationale.

"The <u>European Court of Justice</u> has already held that Meta cannot claim a 'legitimate interest' in targeting users with advertising. How should it have a 'legitimate interest' to suck up all data for AI training?" he said in a statement.

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U.S. District Judge Jed Rakoff said that The Intercept plausibly argued it was harmed by OpenAI's alleged removal of copyright management information from its articles, diverging from another Manhattan judge who dismissed a related lawsuit from other news organizations against the tech company last year.

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The plaintiffs claim that ChatGPT's ability to generate human-like responses stems from the unauthorized use of their work without permission or compensation to develop their large language models (LLMs). OpenAl and its financial backer Microsoft argue that its use of data is protected under the fair use doctrine, which allows limited use of copyrighted material without permission for purposes such as commentary, criticism or education.

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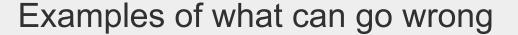
Additionally, OpenAl's legal team asserts that The New York Times has not demonstrated actual harm resulting from their practices and that its use of the copyrighted material is transformative as it does not replicate the content verbatim. On the other hand, the plaintiffs are arguing copyright infringement because OpenAI removed identifiable information such as author bylines and publication details when using the content. They also contend https:// that the LLMs absorb and reproduce expressions from the training data without genuine understanding.

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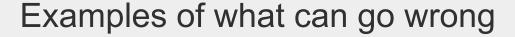




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The backlash prompted Zoom to clarify its service terms in a <u>blog</u> post on Monday, in which it promised not to "use audio, video, or chat content for training our models without customer consent."





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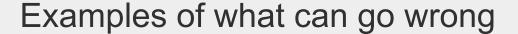
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However, if a meeting host agrees to share data with Zoom, everybody participating in the meeting must share their data during that call.

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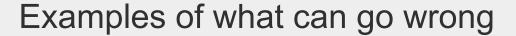
"If the administrator consents and it's your boss at your work who requires you to use Zoom, how is that really consent?" Katharine Trendacosta, director of policy and advocacy at the Electronic Frontier Foundation, told the Associated Press.

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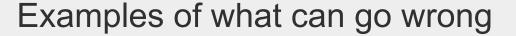




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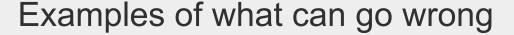




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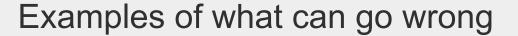
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Last year, Newsom vetoed California's first attempt at AI legislation, which had faced fierce <u>industry</u> <u>pushback</u>. The bill <u>would have required</u> companies that spent more than \$100 million on their AI models to hire third-party auditors annually to review risk assessments and allowed the state to levy penalties in the hundreds of millions of dollars.

The new law requires companies with more than \$500 million in revenue to assess the risk that their cutting-edge technology could break free of human control or aid the development of bioweapons, and disclose those assessments to the public. It allows for fines of up to \$1 million per violation.

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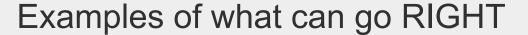
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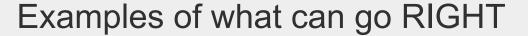
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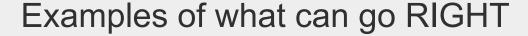


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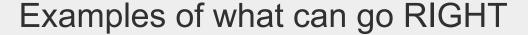
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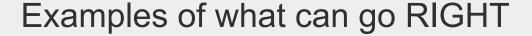
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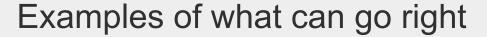
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15. Conclusions

In this article, we review the general state-of-the-art studies on wildfire management with AI. Al has high potential to enhance all disaster management, including floods, snowstorms, or earthquakes (Dimitrios [239]). The impact is not limited to predicting future events or creating high-resolution maps but can also help by preparing buildings and future constructions to limit damage (Parekh et al. [240] and Huang et al. [241]). Despite the large amount of research and proposals, recent events such as the Los Angeles Fire of 2024 tend to show that there is a lack of real-world application. This may be due to a lack of collaboration between researchers, developers, and field professionals.

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