

VELOCITIES AND DESTINIES OF AI AND HUMANITY

How fast should AI innovation go?

Accelerate

- Acceleration AI Ethics
- Effective acceleration
- Techno-optimism
- Transitional Accelerationism

Slow down

- Effective altruism (Longtermism)
- Slow AI (DAIR) / Precaution

Stop

- Doomerism, "Bomb the data centers"

Where will AI innovation lead humanity?

Posthumanism

Transhumanism

Genhumanism

Nowhere

HOW FAST SHOULD AI INNOVATION GO? ACCELERATE

Acceleration AI Ethics

Theory: Innovation solves the human problems that innovation creates

- Ethical value: Technical innovation defined in humanist terms (as opposed to humans defined in innovation terms)
- Ethical value: Innovation is intrinsically worth having
- Ethical value: Uncertainty is encouraging
- Ethics strategy: Ethics in AI is decentralized to users + embedded in development

HOW FAST SHOULD AI INNOVATION GO? ACCELERATE

Effective accelerationism

Theory: Accelerate innovation to capture increasing energy in universe

- Ethical value: Energy capture is intrinsically worth having (climb the Kardashev scale)
- Ethical value: Humanity defined in technical terms (the best human is the one capturing the most energy)
- Ethics strategy: X/Twitter dissemination of the idea

HOW FAST SHOULD AI INNOVATION GO? ACCELERATE

Techno-optimism

Theory: Humanity is glorified by creating technological growth

- Ethical value: Growth is intrinsically good
- Ethical value: 3 kinds of growth are worth having, population, natural resource utilization, technology
- Ethics strategy: Technology is most practically accessible source of growth
- Ethics strategy: Free markets are most effectively spark for technological growth
= Techno-capital machine

HOW FAST SHOULD AI INNOVATION GO? ACCELERATE

Transitional Accelerationism

Theory: Technological acceleration speeds capitalism to (Marxist?) conversion

- Ethical value: Collectivism
- Ethics strategy: Accelerate the techno-capital machine

HOW FAST SHOULD AI INNOVATION GO? SLOW DOWN

DAIR, (US) / Precaution (Europe)

Theory: Protect rights of people now, even if that requires constricting AI

- Ethical value: Primarily, equity, greatest advantage to the least advantaged
- Ethics strategy: Restrict AI applications (and consequently innovation) until equity guaranteed

HOW FAST SHOULD AI INNOVATION GO? STOP

Doomerism, "Bomb the data centers"

Theory: Save humanity from extinction at the hands of AGI by stopping AI innovation now

- Ethical value: Human life
- Ethics strategy: Persuade decision-makers that AGI will destroy humanity automatically, and as a result of the asymmetry of intelligence.

HOW FAST SHOULD AI INNOVATION GO? *VERSUS* SAFETY

Effective acceleration

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INNOVATION/SAFETY
Innovation creates safety

SAFETY/INNOVATION
Safety allows innovation

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Theory: Technology converts humanity into something better than,
and beyond the biological self

- Ethical value: Rationality, digitized thought
- Ethics strategy: Innovate technology to capture and reproduce human rationality
- Paradigmatic case: Mind uploading

WHERE WILL AI INNOVATION LEAD HUMANITY? TRANSHUMANISM

Theory: Technology allows the perfection of humanity as conventionally conceived

- Ethical value: Traditional humanism (Vitruvian Man)
- Ethics strategy: Technology perfects human experience (versus Genhumanism as catalyzing new experiences, vertical versus horizontal change)
- Paradigmatic case: Augmented reality goggles

WHERE WILL AI INNOVATION LEAD HUMANITY? GENHUMANISM

Theory: Technology helps individual humans change who they are within parameters of conventional humanism

- Ethical value: Difference (Ontological)
- Ethics strategy: Technology catalyzes new human experiences (versus Transhumanism as perfecting human experience, horizontal versus vertical change)
- Paradigmatic case: Serendipity in recommendation engines

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