

AI Literacy, AI ethics, and Cybersecurity


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Introduction

- AI literacy is one of the most important key words as AI is incorporated with everyday life of individuals.
- UN recognizes its importance, labelling it as "crucial".

The image shows a screenshot of a UN News article. At the top left is the United Nations logo and the text "United Nations". To the right of this is the "UN News" logo and the tagline "Global perspective Human stories". A hamburger menu icon is in the top right corner. Below the header is a photograph of a group of young women gathered around a laptop, looking at the screen. The laptop has the HP logo on the lid. At the bottom of the image is a dark grey banner with white text that reads: "AI literacy is 'crucial' for individuals and more regulation is needed". Below the banner is a white line of text: "UN Women | Young women participate in a coding workshop in in Kigali, Rwanda."

Introduction

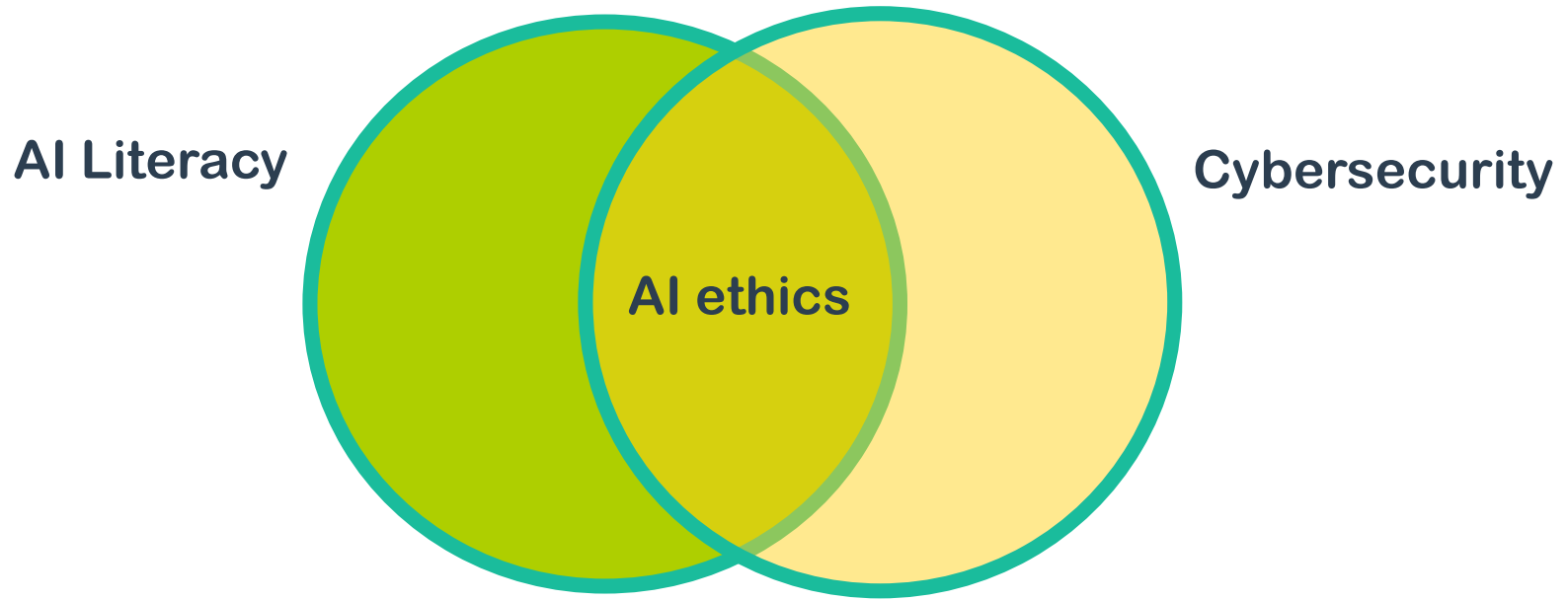
- Cybersecurity is also a big issue among international organizations :
- OECD demanded to sustain trust in digital security, which is regarded as the economic and social dimension of cybersecurity.



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Introduction

- Both AI literacy and cybersecurity have AI ethics as their essential part.



AI literacy

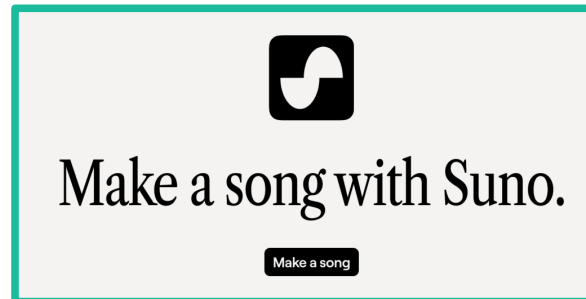
- What is AI literacy ?
- **An earliest and most common definitions for AI literacy was that it is "a set of competencies that enables individuals to critically evaluate AI technologies; communicate and collaborate effectively with AI; and use AI as a tool online, at home, and in the workplace."**
- **Thus, a key point appears : Evaluate AI critically.**
- **For whom is it required ?**
- **The AI users, for the moment.**

AI literacy

- Note that there are other literacy related to cyberspace.
- Digital literacy is a prerequisite AI literacy. One should know and use digital environment.
- Data literacy is overlapping somewhat with AI literacy, but they are generally regarded as different. AI literacy is the ability to use AI, while data literacy is the ability to work with data.
- A simple example to illustrate the difference may be that the ability to search Google to find a certain answer for a keyword is data literacy whereas the ability to use photoshop or ChatGPT is AI literacy.

AI literacy

- Indeed, there are a number of AI apps.
- For generating
 - text = ChatGPT or Gemini
 - images = Leonardo AI
 - music = Suno
 - presentation = Gammamay be a few examples.



AI literacy

- The main concepts of AI literacy are discussed by many international organizations as well as by IT experts.
- For example, an organization described the AI literacy as the ability to recognize, grasp, use, and critically assess AI technologies and their impacts.

A graphic with a light blue background and a teal border. It features a central white box containing the text 'AI Literacy' in a large, bold, black font, flanked by two sets of three short, black, radiating lines. Below this, the definition is written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font: 'the ability to recognize, grasp, use, and critically assess artificial intelligence technologies and their impacts.' At the bottom of the graphic, there is a logo for 'DATA LITERACY' which includes a stylized bar chart icon and the tagline 'LEARN THE LANGUAGE OF DATA & AI' in a smaller font.

AI Literacy

the ability to recognize, grasp,
use, and critically assess
artificial intelligence
technologies and their impacts.

 **DATA LITERACY**
LEARN THE LANGUAGE OF DATA & AI

AI literacy

- Also, in an article in **Computers and Educations Open on the AI literacy** :
- The authors suggested six key concepts of AI literacy : know and understand, use and apply, evaluate, create, and navigate ethically.

populations, from pre-K students to adults in the workforce, were targeted. In the second stage, we conducted a thorough content analysis to synthesize six key constructs of AI literacy: *Recognize, Know and Understand, Use and Apply, Evaluate, Create, and Navigate Ethically*. We then applied this framework to categorize a range of empirical studies and identify the prevalence of each construct across the studies. We subsequently review assessment instruments developed for AI literacy and discuss them. The findings of this

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A systematic review of AI literacy conceptualization, constructs, and implementation and assessment efforts (2019–2023)

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AI literacy

- Further, UNESCO noted that
“AI is becoming increasingly integrated in user-facing technology, but public understanding of these technologies is often limited.”
- In order to enhance the AI literacy, UNESCO remarks that there is a need for additional Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) research investigating
 - a) what competencies users need in order to effectively interact with and critically evaluate AI and
 - b) how to design learner-centered AI technologies that foster increased user understanding of AI.



Why is UNESCO focusing on AI separately from other digital technologies in education?

AI is distinct from other digital technologies due to its potential to profoundly reshape societies, economies and education systems. Unlike conventional information and communication technologies (ICTs), AI poses unique ethical and social challenges, such as issues of fairness, transparency, privacy and accountability. Additionally, AI's unique ability to mimic human behavior directly impacts human agency. These challenges require dedicated competencies beyond the scope of

AI literacy

- Because UNESCO is interested in AI literacy for educational purpose.
- UNESCO pointed three issues on AI.
- Understand, apply, and create.



These competencies span three progression levels:

- Understand
- Apply
- Create

The framework details curricular goals and domain-specific pedagogical methodologies.

AI literacy

- In education, according to UNESCO, AI literacy usually refers to teaching skills and knowledge to the general public, particularly those who are not adept in AI.
- Some think AI literacy is essential for school and college students, while some professors ban AI in the classroom and from all assignments with stern punishments for using AI, classifying it as cheating.
- Anyway, the ability to understand, use, monitor, and critically reflect on AI applications may have an impact on the students' future employment prospects.

AI literacy

- Another IT company suggested that :
 - Understand,
 - Evaluate,
 - Use.



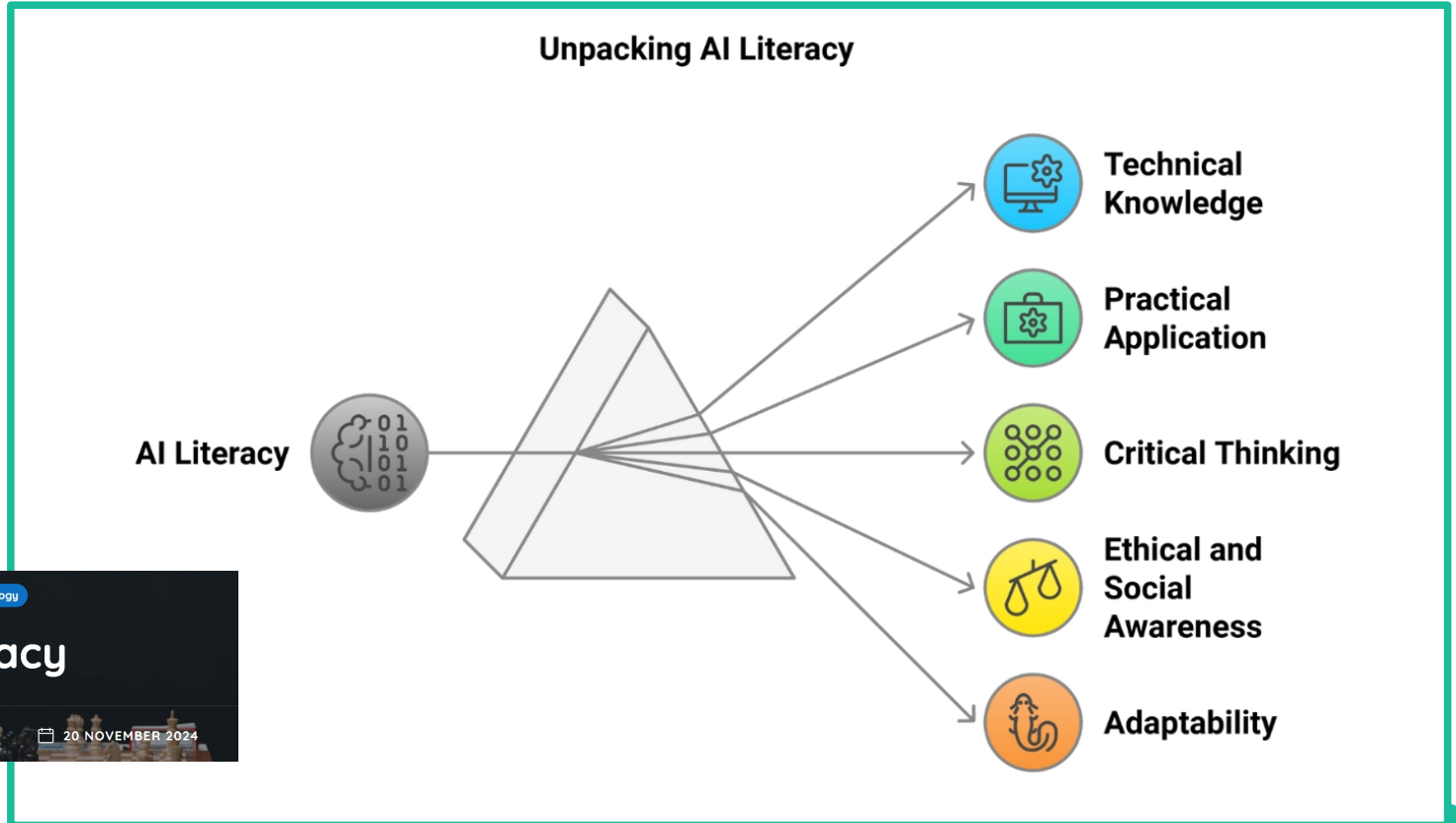
Our framework defines three interconnected **Modes of Engagement** to support robust engagement in AI literacy, including:

- **Understand:** Acquiring basic knowledge of what AI can do and how it works in order to make informed decisions about evaluating and using AI systems and tools.
- **Evaluate:** Centering human judgment and justice to critically consider the benefits and/or costs of AI to individuals, society, and the environment.
- **Use:** Interacting, creating, and problem-solving with AI as a progression of use for distinct contexts and purposes.



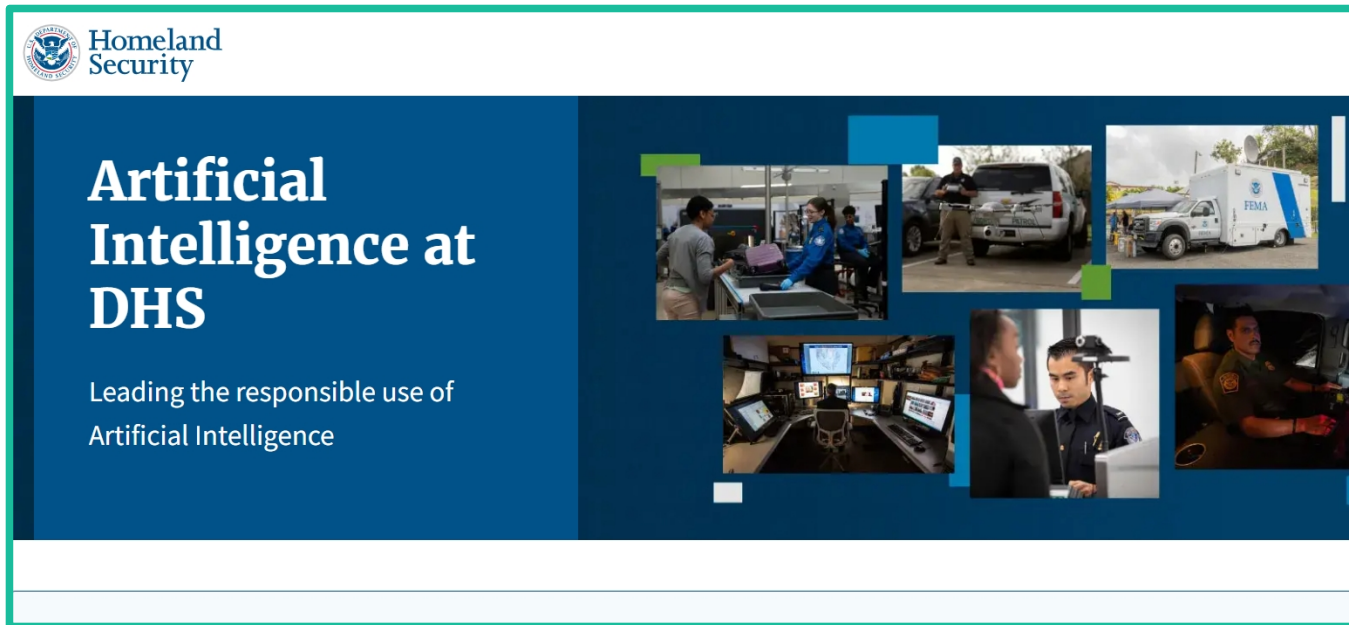
AI literacy


- Januam.org listed critical elements of AI literacy : know, apply, think critically, and ethically aware.



AI literacy

- Last but not the least, Department of Homeland Security of USA also set up its own principles of AI literacy.



 **Homeland Security**

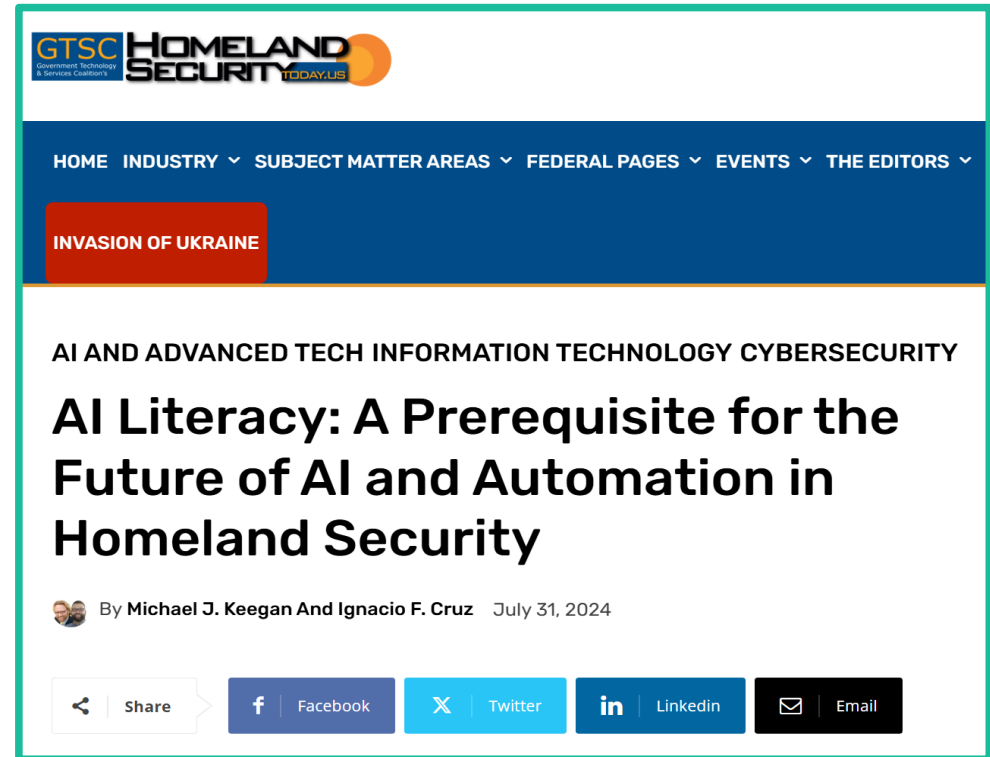
Artificial Intelligence at DHS

Leading the responsible use of Artificial Intelligence

The graphic includes a collage of images: a person at a workstation, a FEMA truck, a person in a vehicle, and a person at a workstation with multiple monitors.

AI literacy

- The US government emphasized that AI literacy is a prerequisite for the future of AI and automation in Homeland Security.
- Since AI literacy can empower officials to understand the mechanics of AI systems, ask pertinent questions, and ensure these systems are used responsibly and ethically.



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AI literacy

- **The US government remarked that**
 - **AI literacy extends beyond basic familiarity with data analytics tools.**
 - **It encompasses a comprehensive approach that includes workflow implementation, future use case anticipation, and strategic investment decisions.**
 - **Thus, it is vital for interpreting AI-generated data and deploying resources effectively.**

AI literacy

- Let us summarize these concepts on AI literacy.

UNESCO	Understand	Apply			Create
US	Recognize	Use	Evaluate		
Januam.org	Know	Apply	Critically think	Ethically aware	
Digital Promise	Understand	Use	Evaluate		
Data Literacy	Recognize	Use	Grasp	Critically Access	
Article	Know and understand	Use and apply	Evaluate	Navigate ethically	Create

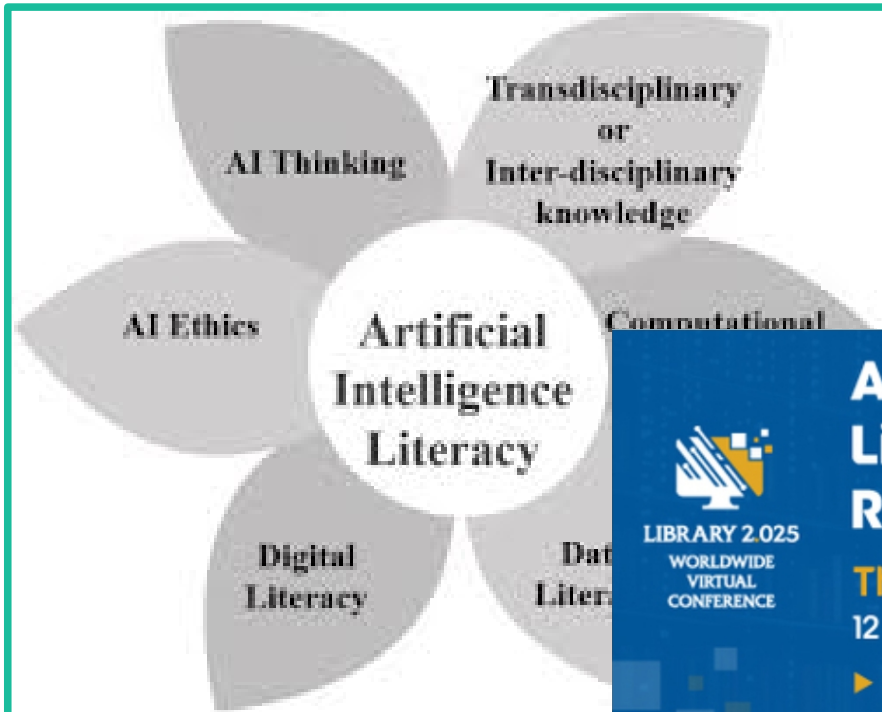
AI literacy

- These may be summarized as three parts :
 - Perceive knowledgeably AI
 - Access and use AI
 - Critically evaluate AI
- The third part is related to AI ethics.



AI ethics

- Indeed, AI ethics is always mentioned when AI literacy is discussed.



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AI ethics

- A recently published article may be an example of AI ethics issue in AI literacy.
- It deals with the chatbot incident which took place some years ago.

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AI literacy for ethical use of chatbot: Will students accept AI ethics?

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AI ethics

- There were three chatbots.
- Based on chatGPT [Chat Generative Pre-trained Transformer] Xiaoice (2014), Tay (2016), Luda (2020) were introduced.
- All were staged as young females on SNS platforms. (a kind of gender issue)



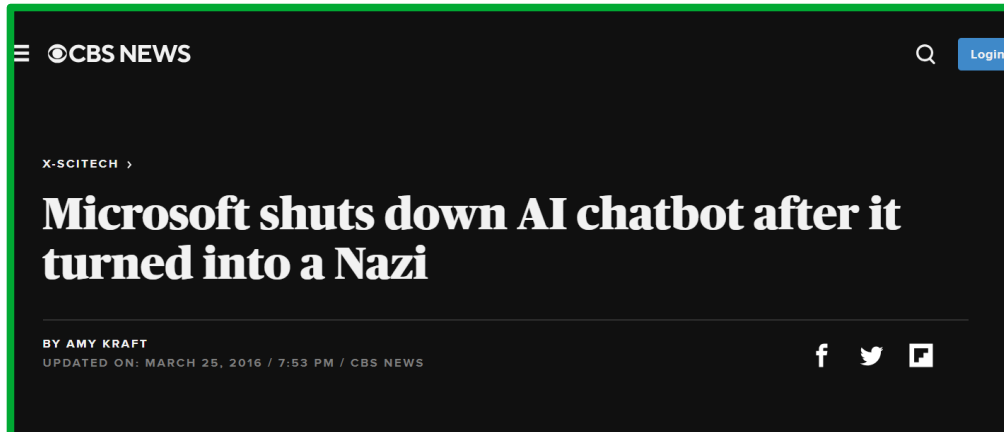
AI ethics

- These chatbots were designed
 - to make conversations with users
 - by analyzing and incorporating the language of users who chat with them.
- The more they chat, the more they become fluent as they learn the conversational skills of the users.
- However, their responses turned quickly offensive and inappropriate, because of the offensive words of the users.



AI ethics

- Hence, the services had to be closed.
- Tay stopped chatting after 16 hours, and Luda stepped down in a few days.



AI ethics

- It is the users who misuse or abuse those chatbots.
- The sinister attitudes of the users in cyberspace may harm the real society.
- Hence, it is essentially a matter of the ethics for AI users.
- The users should be ethically awaken and responsible.
- That is, AI literacy matters.



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Experts warn about possible misuse of new AI tool ChatGPT

By Vanessa Yurkevich
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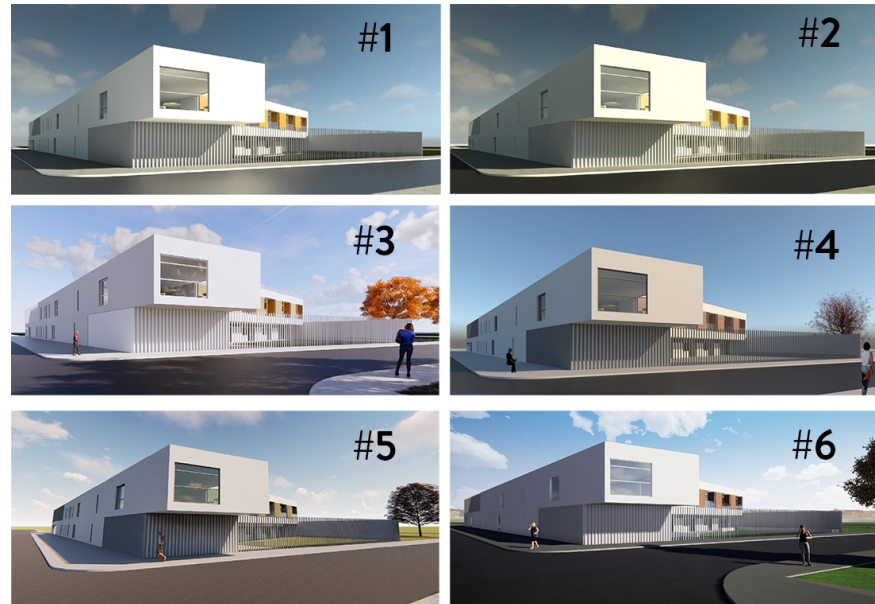
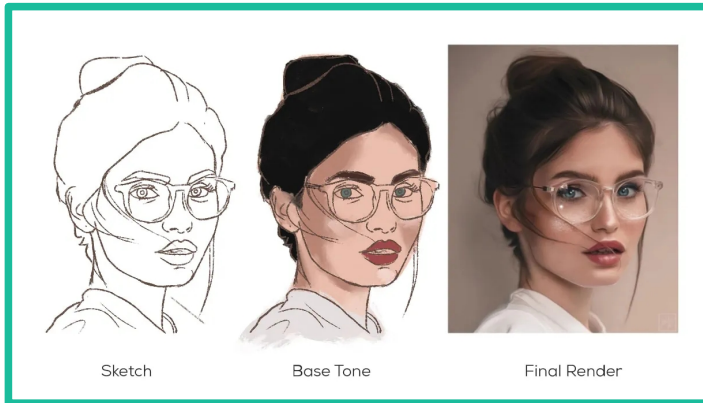
The powerful new technology, known as ChatGPT, is gaining popularity and has extraordinary potential, but there are also warnings about the huge risk of misuse.

AI ethics

- The users involved in the chatbot incidents did not commit in crimes, but they led to unpleasant, offensive results.
- Thus, they somehow violated the AI ethics.
- In cyberspace, we can find a lot of incidents in which users do not obey the ethics.
- Some of the incidents may be harmless but unpleasant. Some others may be offensive but not illegal.
- Further, there are also some activities in cyberspace which are illegal and criminal.

AI ethics

- Suppose one knows AI-based apps such as photoshop or deepfake. Then, she/he may create or render images.



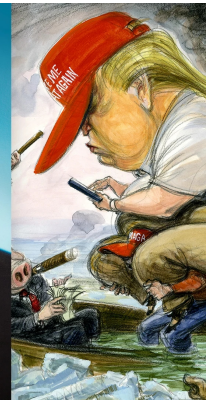
AI ethics

- Chatbots are evolved to become AI avatars. There are now several companies that provide AI avatar chatbots.
- The gender issue is still there.



AI ethics

- Some of the created images or video clips by photoshops may be funny and interesting.
- In particular, the caricaturing of politicians are regarded as jokes or political metaphors.



AI ehtics

- Well, there are also some disinformative images of politicians.



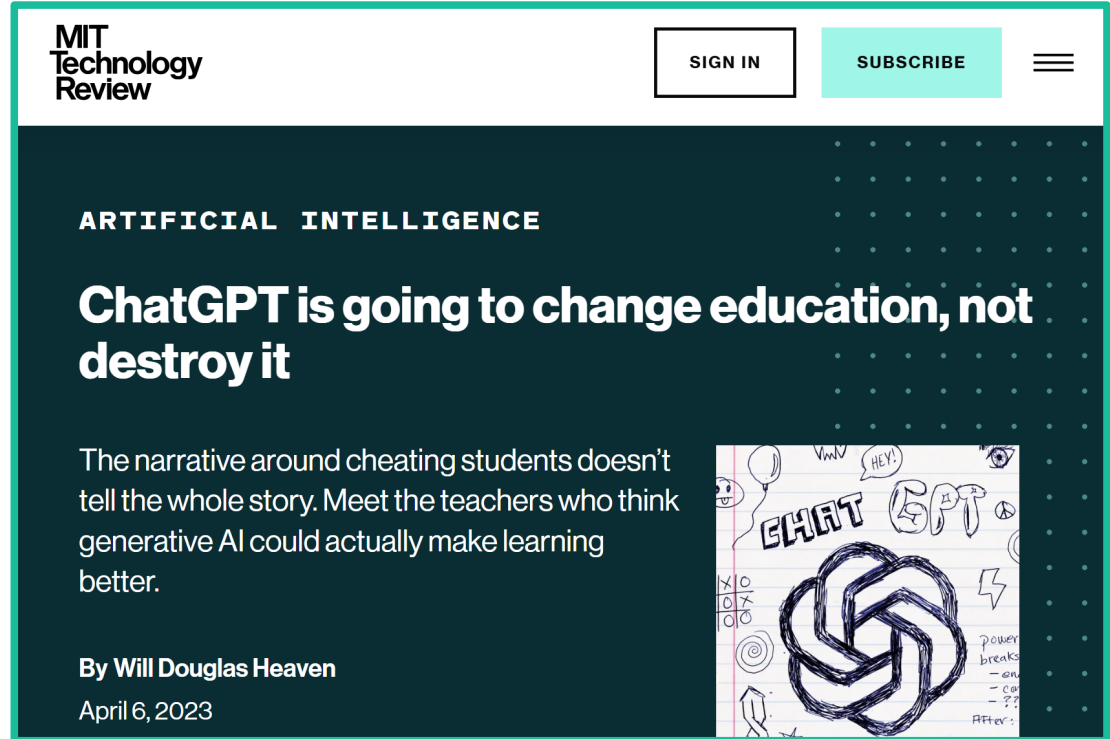
AI ethics

- Also, there is a question of AI ethics in schools and universities.
- Suppose students exploit LLM apps such as ChatGPT for their articles and reports.
- It may be regarded as plagiarism.
- Such LLM apps may be used for FFP (falsification, fabrication, plagiarism), as many scientists worry.
- Already, there are some apps for detecting plagiarism, and many universities adopt them.



AI ethics

- In the field, some teachers support the idea of using LLM in their classrooms, whereas most professors in universities oppose it.
- IT people are of course in favour of AI.
- MIT noted that ChatGPT would not destroy education but transform it innovatively.



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ChatGPT is going to change education, not destroy it

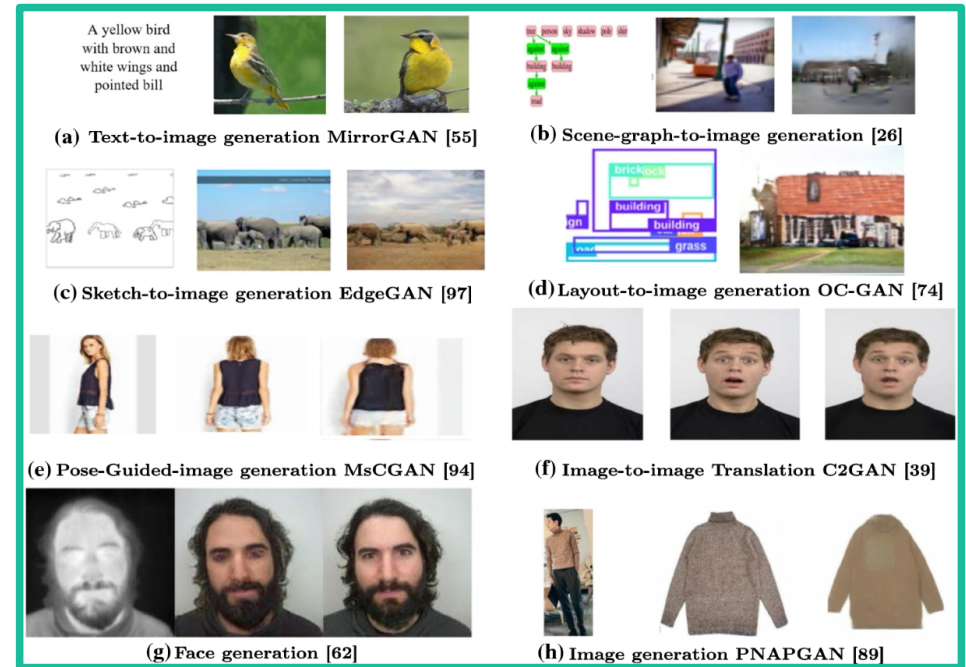
The narrative around cheating students doesn't tell the whole story. Meet the teachers who think generative AI could actually make learning better.

By Will Douglas Heaven
April 6, 2023



Cybersecurity

- Now, cybersecurity.
- Cybersecurity covers a wide range of issues from smartphones wifi to cyber crimes in general.
- What can be a simple definition of cybersecurity ?
- It aims to protect the resilience and safety of cyberspace.
- Therefore, for example, image generation is also included in the issues of cybersecurity.



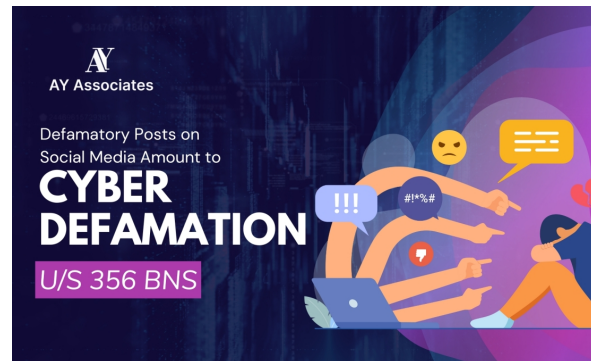
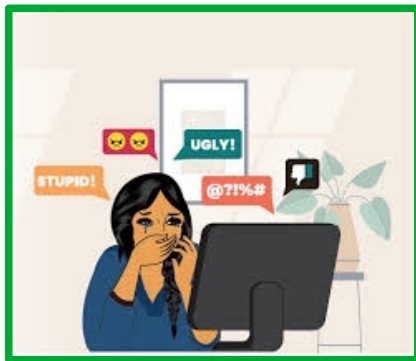
Cybersecurity

- Hence, the chatbots and the fake images aforementioned within the context of AI literacy are also issues of cybersecurity.
- While some of generated images may be tolerable yet unpleasant, some other images such as “deepfakes”, “cyber defamation” or “revenge porns” may be illegal and criminal.
- A “deepfake” image of Obama is shown on the right.



Cybersecurity

- The “cyber defamation” is an act of making false statements about someone online that harm their reputation, by spreading rumours, making false accusations, or impersonation, which is punishable in many countries such as India, South Korea, and in a number of states in USA.
- It can include posting defamatory content on social media, blogs, forums, or other online platforms.



Cybersecurity

- “Revenge porns” are the illegal acts of creating explicitly sexual images or video clips of victims without their consent, in order to raise public humiliation or character assassinations out of revenge against the victims.



Cybersecurity

- Further, there are conventional cyber crimes.
 - Hackings, or breaking into other peoples' devices to steal or fraud their personal information.
 - Phishings and pharmings, or blackmailings.
 - Installing malwares on other peoples' devices.
 - Spreading digital viruses randomly.
- These crimes may also be adapted to AI environment, which are clearly beyond the matter of AI ethics but the essential issues of cybersecurity.
- Examples are :

Cybersecurity

- **Data collection:** AI can collect and analyze private data illegally.
- **Deepfakes:** AI can create synthetic media that can be used to impersonate people or extort money.
- **Malware:** AI can create malware that can adapt and evade detection.
- **Phishing:** AI can create convincing emails that can bypass spam filters.
- **Social engineering:** AI can create human-like text to manipulate victims.

Cybersecurity

- To commit as well as to detect these activities need knowledge of AI, that is, they require AI literacy.
- Hence, AI literacy is essential for both the law breakers and the law enforcers.
- And there are innocent AI users, who should not violate the laws and regulations, and who should stay ethically right.

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Developing a holistic AI literacy assessment matrix – Bridging generic, domain-specific, and ethical competencies

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Who need to be AI literate ?

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2025 Cybersecurity Outlook: The Year of AI Literacy and Hands-On Cybersecurity Skills

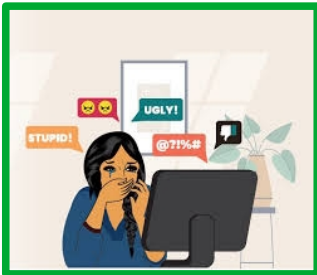
In a rapidly shifting digital landscape, 2025 is shaping up to be a defining year for artificial intelligence (AI) and cybersecurity. Keatron Evans, Vice President of AI Strategy at [Infosec Institute](#), recently shared insights that highlight how tech professionals must evolve to stay relevant in the face of increasingly complex challenges.

The Push for AI Fluency

"People that are serious about maintaining an edge in cyber need to get themselves closer to the technology, not just the consumer usage of it," Evans emphasized. His prediction that the coming year will focus on understanding AI's underlying technologies reflects a broader trend: simply knowing how to use AI tools won't cut it anymore. Professionals will need to

Who need to be AI literate ?

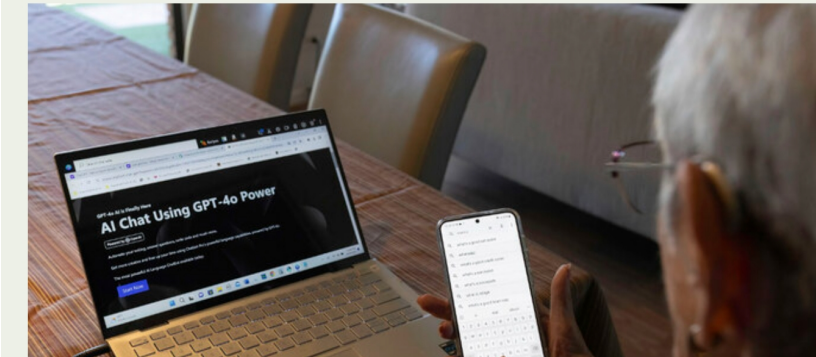
- The previous examples seem to require AI users be equipped with AI literacy.
- Passively, they may be the targets of cybercrimes.
- Actively, they may be engaged in abusing or misusing AI.



Who need to be AI literate ?

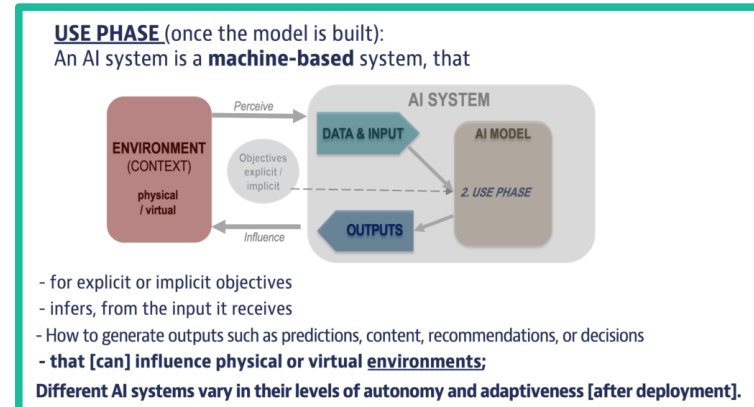
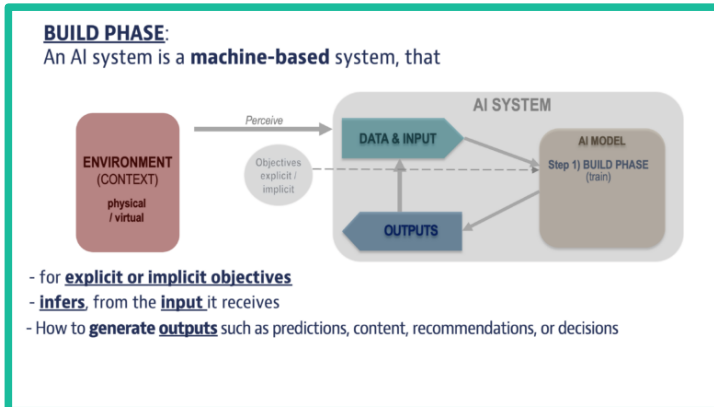
- Such users as senior citizen, for example ?

Older Americans prepare themselves for a world altered by artificial intelligence



Who need to be AI literate ?

- International organizations such as UNESCO, OECD or European Union focus on AI builders rather than AI users.
- The AI builders are those who develop and provide AI platforms in cyberspace.
- The concept of AI builders vs AI users was established by OECD.



Who need to be AI literate ?

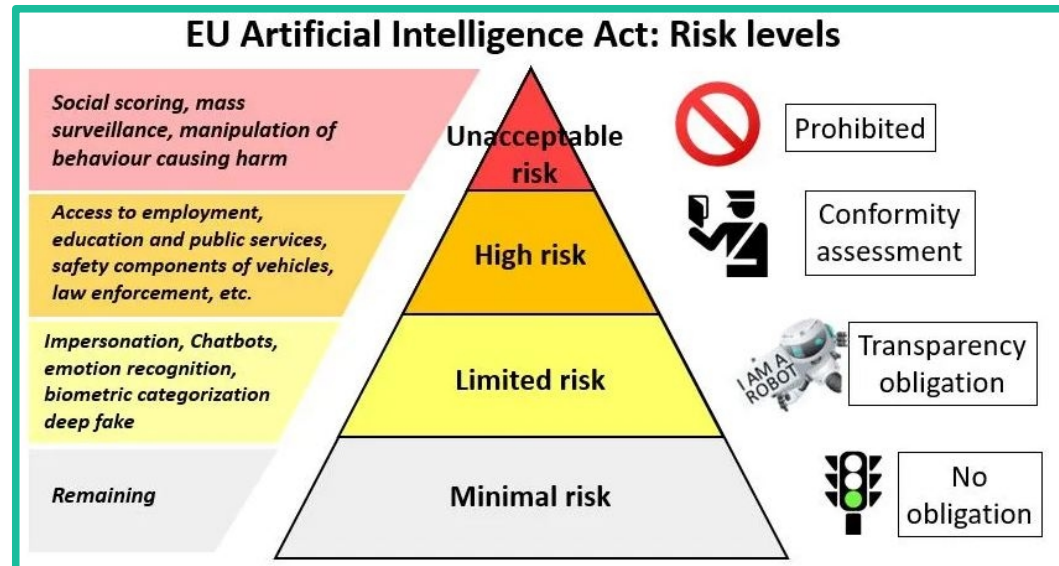
- OECD recommended the AI principles in 2019.
- These principles are for the AI developers and providers, i.e., AI builders.

To date, there are 47 governments that have committed to the OECD AI Principles, including the U.S. Its value-based principles include:

- inclusive growth, sustainable development, and well-being;
- human rights and democratic values, including fairness and privacy;
- transparency and explainability;
- robustness, security, and safety; and
- accountability.

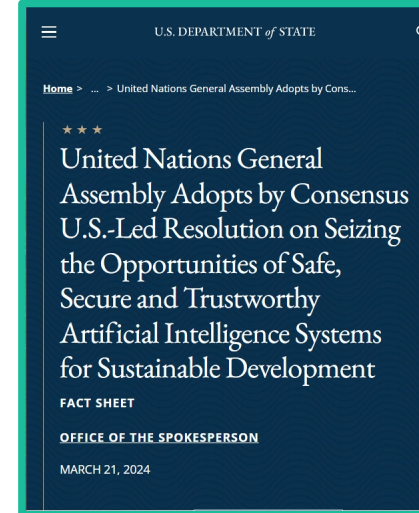
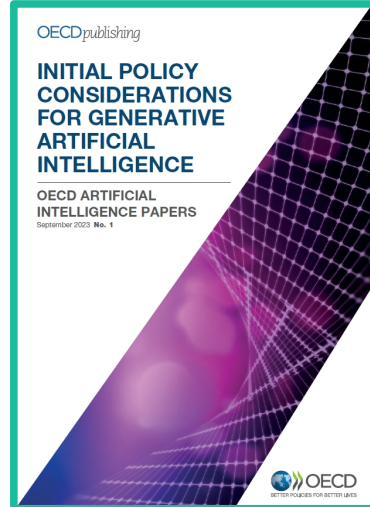
Who need to be AI literate ?

- EU AI Act set in 2023 is a regulation that establishes rules for the development, use, and marketing of AI in the EU.
- The act aims to make AI in the EU safe, trustworthy, and respectful of fundamental rights.
- It mainly aims AI builders, not its users.



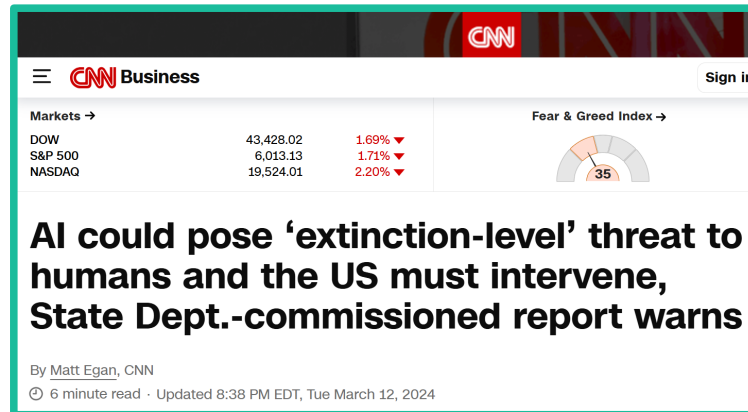
AI literacy for AI builders

- Hence, the answer is the AI builders.
- They should know and understand OECD principles, UNESCO recommendations, and EU AI Act, and comply with them.



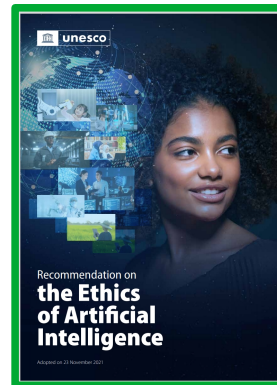
Closing comment

- I would like to ask IT experts who are AI builders :
- Please do not
 - Mystify AI
 - Over-exaggerate AI
 - Almighty AI
 - Threaten users



Closing comment

- But please
 - Design user-friendly AI
 - Make AI accessible, accountable, transparent and responsible, according to UNESCO recommendations, OECD principles and EU AI Act.



**Thank you very much for
your attention**