

What is AI?

Artificial intelligence consists of **mathematical formulas** that ingest **terabytes of data**, then **identify patterns** or **make rules** within their constraints using **cycles of optimization**

AI is computing, **social organization**, a marketing gimmick, **and a political and ideological project**

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AI presents major ethical concerns...

AI is a "Black Box"

- Not transparent about training data or models
- We don't know how it gets to its conclusions

AI violates privacy and creates new surveillance models

- Trained on our data without our consent
- Many AI products are used to control and surveil the poor and marginalized

AI is made by powerful private companies

- Little to no public oversight
- Part of an overall reactionary Silicon Valley political project

AI consumes tons of resources

- Industry is opaque about its energy usage - hard to know carbon footprint, but estimates are very high

AI reproduces bias and harm

- Trained on datasets containing stereotypes, conspiracies, etc
- Encodes existing bias

AI produces fake information

- "Deep fakes" erode public trust and put people at risk
- "Hallucinations" are common and can cause real harm

Trump admin just banned AI regulation

- There were already very few guardrails

We must continue to push back against the incursion of harmful AI in our lives.