Artificial Intelligence as a Challenge for the Justification of Human Rights

Abstract

There is a long-standing debate about the moral status of animals, humans in a vegetative state, or embryos, and by extension about their possible rights. In the era of the rise of artificial intelligence, these questions extend to robots. This text attempts to relate these debates to the field of human rights theories. Human rights theories are about justifying human rights in moral sense, and this dissertation examines whether advances in artificial intelligence may problematise various such justification theories.

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