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Seminar “Technology Ethics” (Profilbereich: “Information Systems & Supply Chains”)

Tuesdays, 4 – 6 p.m. in room S 34, Starting Date: October 15, 2024

Technology ethics deals with moral questions that concern the usage of artifacts. It raises fundamental questions about our relationship with technologies. Should we delegate ethical tasks to machines? Which normative principles should guide the design of our artifacts? How does the interaction with artifacts influence our moral behavior? Can we change this influence by the ethically aligned design of the human-computer interface? Certain technologies may raise more specific questions. What are the challenges of hybrid traffic in which manual and automatized cars will have to cooperate? How should a recommender system communicate uncertainty to a radiologist? What effects does social media have on our society’s culture?

In this module, we will discuss recent topics from the realm of the ethics of technology. In the first part, we will discuss influential papers from the field. In the second part, students will give presentations on self-selected topics from the field. Seminar performance consists in the presentation, the handing-in of a seminar paper and active discussions in class throughout the term.

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