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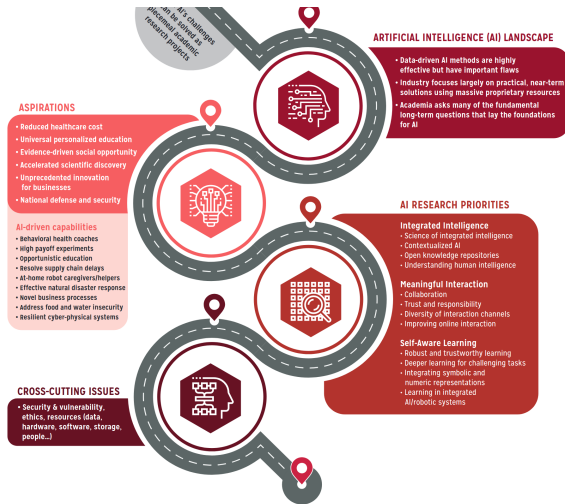
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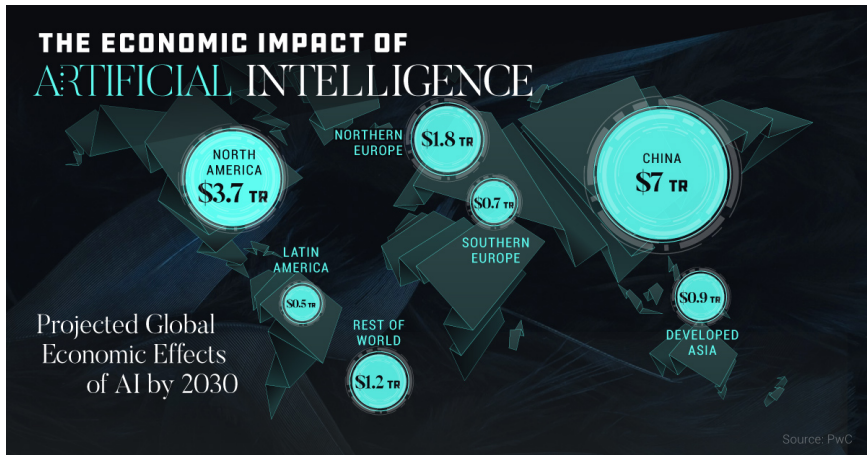

"**a branch of computer science that studies the properties of intelligence by synthesizing intelligence**"

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Why AI?

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Figure 2. Identifying Societal Drivers.

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Artificial Intelligence / Machine Learning

Training a single AI model can emit as much carbon as five cars in their lifetimes

Deep learning has a terrible carbon footprint.

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If so,
Which moral code should they be programmed with?

Moral Machine

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- the study of mental faculties through the use of computational models?

What is AI?

- the study of computations that make it possible to perceive, reason and act?
- a field of study that seeks to explain and emulate intelligent behaviour in terms of computational processes?
- a branch of computer science that is concerned with the automation of intelligent behaviour?
- anything in Computing Science that we don't yet know how to do properly? (!)

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THOUGHT	**Systems that think like humans**	**Systems that think rationally**
BEHAVIOUR	**Systems that act like humans**	**Systems that act rationally**
	HUMAN	RATIONAL

Acting humanly: The Turing test

Turing (1950) "Computing machinery and intelligence":

- "*Can machines think?*" $\longrightarrow$ "*Can machines behave intelligently?*"
- Operational test for intelligent behavior: the *Imitation Game*

Thinking humanly: Cognitive Science

Requires scientific theories of internal activities of the brain

- What level of abstraction? "*Knowledge*" or "*circuits*"?
- How to validate? Requires
    1. Predicting and testing behavior of human subjects (top-down) or
    2. Direct identification from neurological data (bottom-up)

Both approaches (roughly, *Cognitive Science* and *Cognitive Neuroscience*) are now distinct from AI

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- Rational behavior: **doing the right thing**
- The right thing: that which is expected to maximize goal achievement, given the available information