Artificial Intelligence Ethics

Artificial Intelligence in warfare
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Introduction

- Weapons used currently in warfare are drones, landmine detector, satellite pinpoint
- Countries like USA, are developing AI robot soldiers

The human cost is lowered

- PTSD will be significantly be reduced since no soldier is needed to fight in the war
- When less soldiers are used in war less soldiers will die

Starting a war will become easier

- The human cost is lowered
- Can mass produce
- Just need to train one robot compared to a lot of soldiers

The robots will follow orders accurately

- The robot will be effective to kill people
- The robot will have a higher accuracy when shooting
- The robot will be more efficient in executing the plan

(if trained correctly)

They will not question their order

- Will make it easier to do ethical cleansing?
- Massacres
- Dictatures using it to retain power
- Who is to blame if the ai is doing something wrong?

Human error

- The program is made by humans
- Scenarios can be missing
- not as much resources as in the commercial sector
- missing data can lead to consequences
- Example of human error in ai is twitter's cropping system

security validations, easy to hack and misuse

- When more AI robots are used in the military, this is prone to lead to terror network, private person and government to hack the AI robot and misuse it

Cannot distinguish between combatants and noncombatants

- The AI has a hard time distinguishing between combatants, civilians and rogue civilians
- The AI must also distinguish between wounded and surrendering combatants

The international humanitarian law(IHL)

- In 1949 the IHL made precautions to help spare the civilian population, individual civilians and civilian object
- Added a clause to combatants that no unnecessary suffering should occur on the combatant, this will add another layer to the AI since it must be 100% accurate when launching an attack, so that the AI is as merciful as possible

How could it be solved?

Identify innocent people

- To add additional features on the design of killer robot that can identify innocent people with the soldier. which means., adding some features on the sensors devices such as: bombs and other electronics war devices

Autonomous weapons with human intervention

- The human control over the AI is critical for the whole world, governments and individuals
- Can stop the robot to do horrible things if a bug or scenario it's not trained for happens
- To minimize the risk and mitigate the issues of AI in warfare a degree of human intervention and control is crucial

The governmental to set standard rules

- Setting standard rules on what a robot is allowed to do, not do. Can prevent the military to train the robots to do unethical things
- Problem is that it will be hard to get a good unified standard
- Needs to prepare standard rules that each country must follow like (UN)

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