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The essence of the two papers discussed the AI technique in humanoid robots and to be able to have a discussed a legal framework around their rights. Since these robots can execute rational and independent decision making just like humans. The EU parliament approach has several flaws and not providing legal personality to AI is not one of them. I feel that existing legal people do not possess or are supposed to possess “conscience” while deciding, but they are still treated as humans. I feel may be the purpose is to distinguish between human and AI conscience and mark them as two different things. AI personality could create problems where manufacturers and designers could be shielded by it, Similar to a place where special purpose vehicles are deployed. Legal personality could not overcome this issue.

Some might argue though that giving legal personality to the AI will mean protection to those who interact with it. And if these AI cause any discomfort, then a regulatory body could step up and can pass a decision. But its not a panacea.