

COGNITIVE AUTOMATION AND AUGMENTATION USING BIG DATA

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Introduction

- Cognitive automation involves the use of software robots or intelligent automation tools to automate routine or repetitive cognitive tasks that were previously performed by humans.
- Cognitive augmentation, on the other hand, involves the use of technology to enhance human cognitive abilities. This can include technologies such as virtual assistants, smart devices, or augmented reality tools that help humans to perform tasks more efficiently, effectively, and accurately.
- Emphasis on how it can increase the precision and effectiveness of analytics, the research will look at the advantages and difficulties of this technology and also examine how modern technologies such as artificial intelligence, machine learning, and others can use big data to improve analytics and decision-making.
- The ethical ramifications of cognitive automation and augmentation with Big Data will also be highlighted in this research, along with the precautions that must be taken to ensure the responsible use of this technology.



Literature review

- The term "cognitive automation" was introduced in the early 2000s to refer to the use of artificial intelligence to automate cognitive tasks, while cognitive augmentation has a longer history dating back to the 1960s.
- Researchers have applied these technologies in various fields, including finance, healthcare, and education, and have developed machine learning algorithms and natural language processing techniques to improve cognitive automation and augmentation.
- Cognitive automation can automate repetitive tasks and free up time for more complex work.



Technical details

- Protocols and standards such as the Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS) and Apache Spark are commonly used in cognitive automation and augmentation using big data.
- Machine learning algorithms like decision trees, neural networks, and support vector machines, are used to analyze data and make predictions in cognitive automation and augmentation systems.
- The methodology for developing cognitive automation and augmentation systems involves steps like data collection, data cleaning, feature engineering, algorithm selection, and model training and evaluation, along with testing and validation to ensure that the system meets performance metrics and requirements.



Obstacles of Cognitive Automation and Augmentation with Big Data

- Integrating: Difficulties in integrating cognitive automation and augmentation with current systems and the need for specialized knowledge and training can be a challenge for organizations. Additionally, privacy concerns may arise with the use of these technologies.
- Ethical issues: It may lead to ethical issues including bias and privacy infringement. AI algorithms have the potential to reinforce preexisting biases in the data, leading to unfair outcomes.
- Accuracy and Efficacy: The quality of the data used has a significant impact on the accuracy and efficacy of cognitive automation and augmentation. To ensure that the data they are using is accurate and trustworthy, enterprises must engage in data management and quality assurance.
- Big Data-based cognitive automation and augmentation, however, also present several difficulties, including the possibility of unemployment, ethical issues, poor data quality, integration, and skill gaps.



Course of Action

- Healthcare sector: AI and machine learning are being transformed by the usage of big data. For instance, cognitive automation and augmentation can be utilized in the healthcare sector to analyze patient data and enhance diagnosis and treatment strategies, for manufacturing to cut waste and improve production operations, stop fraud and better manage risk.
- Organisations: Big Data can also help businesses understand customer behavior, market trends, and operational processes, which can improve decision-making and provide them a competitive edge.
- Productivity: Human cognitive abilities can be strengthened by cognitive augmentation, which will boost productivity and decision-making



Suggested course of action: Ethical Implications

- AI algorithms have the potential to reinforce preexisting biases in the data, leading to unfair outcomes. For instance, AI-driven hiring tools may support racial or gender biases, leading to unjust hiring procedures. Also, by observing and tracking people's behavior and activities, cognitive augmentation tools might violate their privacy.
- Although these technologies have the potential to have a positive social and economic impact, they also pose substantial concerns over responsibility, transparency, and privacy. By Organizations applying moral and open policies to assure the right use of cognitive automation and augmentation with Big Data (Kim et al, 2018) there are chances to improve.



Conclusion

- Organizational operations could change as a result of cognitive automation and augmentation with big data, which would increase productivity, accuracy, and decision-making.
- The technology does, however, also provide problems, such as employment displacement and ethical issues with bias, privacy, and responsibility. Organizations must create moral and open procedures to ensure ethics.
- In conclusion, We can make sure that the advantages of this technology are realized while reducing any potential drawbacks by addressing the difficulties and ethical issues related to it.



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