# Artificial Intelligence and the Sustainable Development Goals

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Signal and Image Processing, Artificial Intelligence

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# **Personal Demo Home Page:**

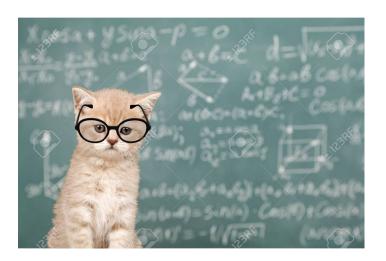


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## What will be covered?

- Introduction to Sustainable Development Goals
- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- Roles of AI in Achieving the SDGs
- Positive & Negative Impacts of AI
- Challenges



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# Introduction to Sustainable Development Goals - 17 Goals & 134 Targets



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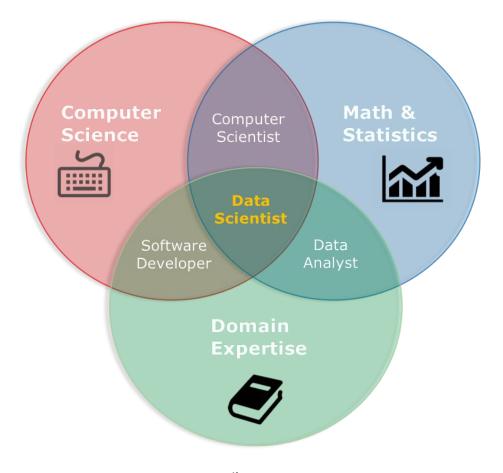


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# Am i a unicorn?





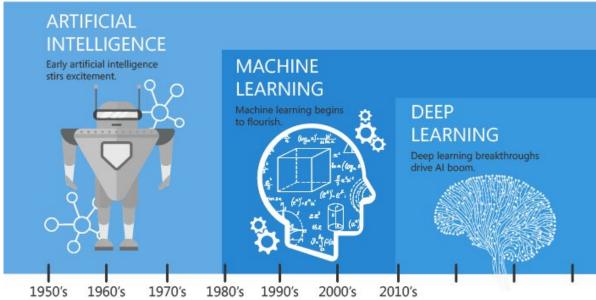


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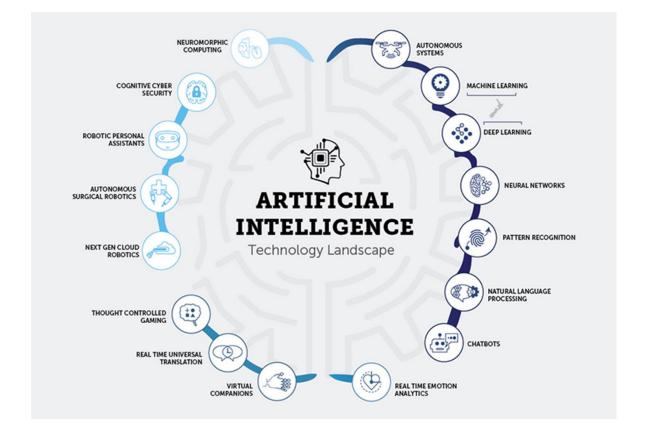


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Data, Al, ML **Berpisah tiada** 

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#### **Roles of Al**

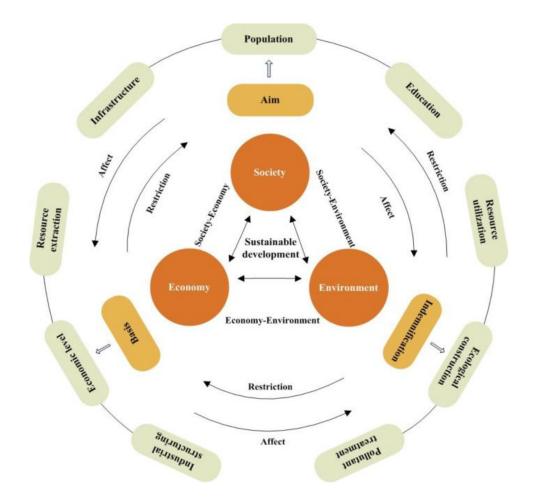


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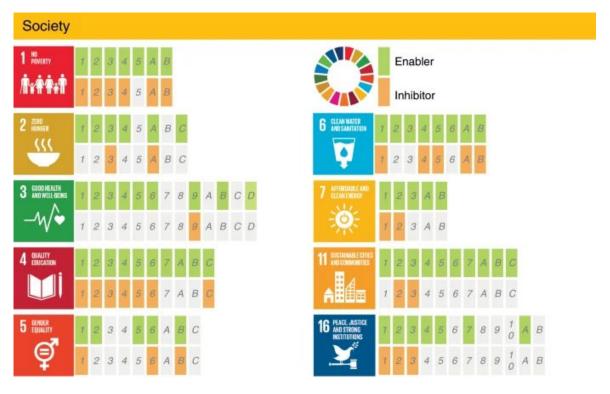
#### Roles of Al: Al & Societal

- 82 % of targets within the Society group could potentially benefit
- SDG 1 no poverty
- SDG 4 quality education
- SDG 6 clean water and sanitation
- SDG 7 affordable and clean energy
- SDG 11 sustainable cities
- etc
- Example: support provision of food, health, water, and energy services to the population
- Example: enable smart and low-carbon cities

#### Roles of Al: Al & Societal - However...

- 38 % of the targets are impacted negatively
- Advanced AI Large Computation Carbon Footprint
- Inequality & digital divide
- Threat to human rights due to Al misuse
- etc

#### **Roles of Al: Al & Societal**



# Roles of Al: Al & Economy

- 70 % of targets within the economy group could potentially benefit
- Increases productivity
- Decent work and economic growth
- Increases Salaries
- etc

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# Roles of Al: Al & Economy - However...

- 33 % of the targets are impacted negatively
- Inequality
- Political polarization
- Biases in job recruitment & selection processes
- etc

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## Roles of Al: Al & Economy

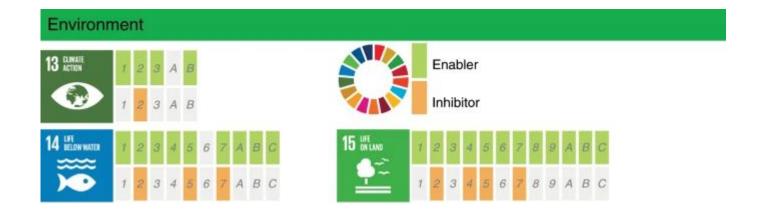


#### Roles of Al: Al & Environment

- 93 % of targets within the economy group could potentially benefit
- Large-scale interconnected databases to develop joint actions aimed at preserving the environment
- Support low-carbon energy systems
- Reduce marine pollution
- Improve biodiversity monitoring and conservation

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# Challenges & Concerns: Does Al create or destroy jobs?

- Al Creates Job Disruption But Not Job Destruction
- number who said jobs have been lost was roughly the same as the number who said that investing in AI had resulted in more jobs being created (the remaining half said it had no impact).

# **Challenges & Concerns: Regulation**

- Lack of interpretability of Al
- Data Privacy
- Al ethics

# **Challenges & Concerns: Cybersecurity**

- Privacy
- Human Rights
- Illegal Activities





