GVLAB Seminar

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Care in the era of technologies and artificial intelligence

Modern civilization has been undergoing a major technological revolution accelerated by AI. This revolution has ethical and political dimensions that make it similar in scope to the Enlightenment, yet potentially contrary in values. Blurring traditional binary oppositions such as 'natural' vs. 'artificial,' it opens up a horizon of unpredictability that threatens to compromise our capacity to manage risk and our desire for control. As we face this challenge, the task of philosophical ethics is to articulate an ethics of care and of heightened sensitivity to human relations that is commensurate with the needs of a hyperconnected world. Let us try to go beyond the fruitless divide between obtuse resistance vs. managerial technosolutionism to address serious theoretical and practical issues, asking what we should reasonably expect from the new technologies and AI and how we can design them ethically so that we can uphold the Enlightenment injunction: "Dare to think!"

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