

Strategic Framework for Human-Centric AI Governance: Navigating Ethical, Educational, and Societal Challenges

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Abstract: Humanity is at the precipice of a profound transformation, propelled by the rapid evolution of artificial intelligence (AI). Once confined to the realm of science fiction, AI now permeates every aspect of daily life, promising significant changes to our social, economic, and personal spheres. As AI systems continue to advance and surpass human capabilities in various domains, they present unparalleled opportunities as well as formidable challenges. This composition explores the dualistic nature of AI, acknowledging its capacity to either augment or disrupt our existence. By examining AI's current state, potential risks, and ethical considerations, we emphasize the pressing need for a comprehensive framework to govern its development and integration. We propose a multifaceted framework built on five fundamental principles: human centered design, transparency and interpretability, accountability and governance, education and upskilling, and inclusive and equitable access. These principles are designed to ensure that AI systems enhance human capabilities, promote transparency, uphold ethical standards, and provide equitable access to the benefits of technology. Through in-depth case studies, we illustrate the practical application of this framework, showcasing AI's impact across various industries while emphasizing the importance of addressing ethical and societal challenges. This composition calls for a collective effort among governments, corporations, and individuals to navigate the rapid expansion of AI responsibly, fostering a future where AI and humanity coexist harmoniously. The ultimate goal is to harness the potential of AI to revitalize society, ensuring that technological progress elevates human dignity and collective well-being instead of rendering us obsolete.

Keywords: Artificial Intelligence, Human-Centered Design, Transparency, Explainability, Ethical Governance, Accountability, Inclusivity, Diversity, Lifelong Learning, Adaptability, Environmental Sustainability, Digital Divide, Technological Revolution, Machine Learning, Automation

I. Introduction: The AI Revolution and Its Implications

As humans, we stand at the height of an era that will irrevocably alter our reality, thanks to the rapid advancements of Artificial Intelligence. What was once purely science fiction has become an integral part of our daily lives, transforming the very fabric of our existence. With its exponential growth, AI is poised to surpass human intelligence, forcing us to confront the consequences of creating autonomous beings that may outstrip us (Bostrom, 2014). Will AI be a boon to our civilization, or will it ultimately usurp our role? To navigate this uncharted territory, we must establish a comprehensive framework to understand the far-reaching implications of AI's ascension (Tegmark, 2017). In this insightful analysis, we will dig into the intricacies of AI's future path and devise a strategic plan to harness its potential to rejuvenate humanity, rather than rendering us obsolete.

As we stand on the brink of a transformative epoch, the wide-ranging implications of the Artificial Intelligence revolution are beginning to surface on a global scale. This monumental change is reshaping the very fabric of our existence, redefining our interactions, occupations, and way of life (Russell & Norvig, 2020). The consequences are multilayered and profound, holding the potential to both elevate and disrupt our lives in subtle yet impactful ways.

The pervasive presence of AI can be observed in its simplest applications, such as chatbots that assist with our daily inquiries, as well as in the elaborate algorithms that drive autonomous vehicles (Goodfellow, Bengio, & Courville, 2016) and (Abilimi, 2012). But as we marvel at the advancements in machine learning and natural language processing, we are also confronted with the darker aspects of AI's rise, including job loss, biased decision-making, and the erosion of privacy (O'Neil, 2016).

As we embark on this uncharted journey, it becomes increasingly apparent that the AI revolution is not solely a technological phenomenon but also a deeply human one that reflects our values, aspirations, and concerns. It serves as a catalyst for reconsidering our relationship with technology, with each other, and with the fundamental question of what it truly means to be human. Through this lens, let us embark on an exploration of the complexities of AI, charting a path towards a future that harnesses the potential of technology while staying connected to our shared humanity (Harari, 2017).

II. The Current State of AI: A Brief Overview

As we enter a new era, it is crucial to evaluate the current landscape of artificial intelligence. In recent years, AI has undergone a remarkable transformation, evolving from an inexperienced technology to an all-encompassing presence that permeates every aspect of modern life (McCarthy, 2007). From the astute personal assistants on our mobile devices to the intricate algorithms governing our online experiences, AI's impact is widespread.

The capabilities of AI have grown exponentially, with narrow AI systems designed for specific tasks showcasing unprecedented sophistication. These systems have exceeded human abilities in areas such as image recognition, natural language processing, and predictive analytics, finding use in fields like autonomous transportation, medical diagnosis, and cybersecurity (LeCun, Bengio, & Hinton, 2015) and (Yeboah, Opoku-Mensah & Abilimi, 2013).

The swift advancement of machine learning, a subset of AI that enables systems to learn from data and adapt over time, has accelerated the development of AI applications. This has given rise to ingenious technologies like chatbots, voice assistants, and recommendation systems, which are revolutionizing the way we interact with businesses, services, and each other (Silver et al., 2016).

However, AI's current state is not without its drawbacks. The creation and implementation of AI have sparked intense debates about ethics, bias, transparency, and accountability (Etzioni & Etzioni, 2017). Additionally, the potential for job displacement, aggravated by automation, has raised crucial questions about the future of work and the social contract (Brynjolfsson & McAfee, 2014).

As we navigate the complexities of AI's current state, it is critical to acknowledge both the opportunities and challenges it presents. By doing so, we can establish a foundation for a more thoughtful and informed approach to leveraging AI's potential, ultimately paving the way for a brighter and more sustainable future for humanity.

The Risks and Challenges of AI: A Realistic Assessment

As the influence of artificial intelligence grows, it is crucial to confront its darker implications. The wide-ranging consequences of AI's hazards and obstacles not only threaten our economic and workforce structures but also the very essence of our humanity (Floridi et al., 2018). Urgent attention is needed for issues such as job displacement, biased decision-making, and privacy erosion (Eubanks, 2018). Furthermore, the looming threat of autonomous weapons, cyberattacks, and AI-fueled disinformation campaigns poses a significant risk to global security and stability (Brundage et al., 2018) and (Opoku-Mensah, Abilimi & Amoako, 2013).

The concentration of AI resources among a select few corporations and governments raises pressing questions about accountability, transparency, and the fair distribution of benefits (Zuboff, 2019). To prevent unleashing forces that could harm our collective well-being, we must approach AI development and implementation with a discerning and nuanced understanding of its potential pitfalls. By acknowledging these risks and challenges, we can devise strategies to minimize their impact and ensure that AI serves the interests of humanity rather than dominating it (Bostrom, 2014).

The Need for a Framework: Why We Can't Afford to Wait

As we stand on the brink of a technological revolution, our survival hangs in the balance. The astonishing growth of Artificial Intelligence (AI) is radically altering the social, economic, and personal spheres at an unprecedented pace (Ford, 2018). However, amidst this whirlwind of progress lies a pressing concern: the absence of a comprehensive guide to navigate the uncharted territories of AI's rapid expansion.

The perils of complacency are dire. Without a unified approach, we risk being swept away by the unrestrained proliferation of AI, propelling humanity towards an uncertain future (Russell, 2019). The urgency of the situation is palpable, and time is of the essence. As AI systems infiltrate every facet of our existence, from healthcare and education to employment and governance, the necessity for a structured framework to address its complexities becomes increasingly imperative (West, 2018).

We must not wait for the perfect solution to materialize or for the consequences of unregulated AI to turn catastrophic. The time for decisive action is now. By establishing a framework that acknowledges the intricate interplay between AI, humanity, and the environment, we can mitigate the risks and harness AI's potential to cultivate a sustainable and equitable future for all (Floridi, 2014). The fate of humanity hinges on our capacity to adapt, innovate, and steer a meaningful course through the uncharted realm of AI.

Rebooting Humanity: A Framework for Navigating AI

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Figure 1: The Conceptual Framework of Navigating AI

Principle 1: Human-Centered Design

As the realm of Artificial Intelligence continues to advance, it is imperative that we prioritize the human factor in our pursuit of innovation. By doing so, we can ensure that technology is developed with the intention of complementing and enhancing human life, rather than exerting control or manipulation (Norman, 2013). This underlying principle is the cornerstone of Human-Centered Design, which recognizes that AI systems are simply tools crafted to amplify human abilities, not objects in and of themselves.

In a world where automation is becoming increasingly feasible, Human-Centered Design serves as a crucial safeguard, guaranteeing that technology is created with a deep appreciation for human dignity and values. By designing AI systems that prioritize human needs and desires, we can unlock a future where technology empowers humans to pursue their passions, unleash their creativity, and fulfill their purpose (Saffer, 2010).

Furthermore, Human-Centered Design is not just a moral imperative but also a practical one. When AI systems are created with humans at the forefront, they are more likely to be adopted, trusted, and utilized on a larger scale, ultimately leading to greater social and economic benefits (Norman, 2013). By putting humans at the heart of AI design, we can forge a future where technology serves humanity, not the other way around, and brings significant value to people's lives.

Principle 2: Transparency and Explainability

The growing intricacies of artificial intelligence systems may create a shroud of mystery, potentially fostering suspicion and anxiety among users and the wider public. To address these concerns, transparency and explainability must be fundamental principles of AI development. By doing so, we can establish trust and understanding, ensuring that AI technologies are accountable and accessible to all (Doshi-Velez & Kim, 2017).

Transparency requires providing clear and accurate information about how AI systems function, the data they use, and the outcomes they generate. This involves sharing details about algorithms, training processes, and decision-making mechanisms, enabling users to comprehend and evaluate AI's capabilities and limitations (Ananny & Crawford, 2018).

Explainability goes a step further by making AI systems' inner workings understandable to non-experts. This includes developing methods and tools that allow users to interpret and challenge AI's decisions, promoting greater user autonomy and confidence in the technology (Ribeiro, Singh, & Guestrin, 2016).

By prioritizing transparency and explainability, we can demystify AI and foster a culture of openness and accountability. This will enable users to make informed decisions about adopting and interacting with AI systems, ultimately leading to more equitable and ethical outcomes. Additionally, transparent and explainable AI can help mitigate biases and errors, ensuring that AI technologies are fair, reliable, and aligned with human values (Gilpin et al., 2018).

Principle 3: Ethical Governance and Accountability

As the influence of artificial intelligence grows, it is imperative to establish ethical governance and accountability to ensure that AI systems align with human values and serve the greater good. By doing so, we can mitigate the risks associated with AI while maximizing its potential to benefit society (Floridi et al., 2018).

Ethical governance involves creating and enforcing guidelines, standards, and regulations that govern AI development and deployment. This includes establishing frameworks for ethical decision-making, data privacy, and algorithmic fairness, as well as promoting transparency and accountability in AI systems (Jobin, Ienca, & Vayena, 2019).

Accountability is equally important, as it holds AI developers, users, and organizations responsible for their actions and decisions. This includes implementing mechanisms for oversight, auditing, and redress, ensuring that any harm caused by AI systems is addressed and rectified (Coeckelbergh, 2020).

By prioritizing ethical governance and accountability, we can create a robust framework that ensures AI technologies are developed and deployed responsibly. This will help build public trust in AI, foster a culture of ethical innovation, and promote the fair and equitable distribution of AI's benefits (Cath, 2018). Additionally, ethical governance and accountability can help prevent the misuse of AI, safeguarding human rights and preserving the integrity of our social, economic, and political systems (Floridi et al., 2018).

Principle 4: Inclusivity and Diversity

As artificial intelligence continues to shape our world, it is crucial to ensure that its development and deployment are inclusive and diverse. By doing so, we can create AI systems that are fair, equitable, and reflective of the diverse needs and perspectives of society (Noble, 2018).

Inclusivity involves actively involving diverse stakeholders in the AI development process, including underrepresented and marginalized groups. This ensures that AI systems are designed with a broad range of experiences and viewpoints, ultimately leading to more comprehensive and effective solutions (Benjamin, 2019).

Diversity, on the other hand, encompasses the inclusion of various demographic, cultural, and cognitive backgrounds in AI research, design, and implementation. By fostering a diverse and inclusive AI community, we can mitigate biases, enhance creativity, and promote the development of more robust and resilient AI systems (West, Whittaker, & Crawford, 2019).

By prioritizing inclusivity and diversity, we can create AI technologies that serve the needs of all individuals, not just a privileged few. This will help ensure that AI's benefits are distributed equitably, reducing disparities and promoting social justice (Eubanks, 2018). Additionally, inclusive and diverse AI development can enhance the overall quality and reliability of AI systems, ultimately leading to better outcomes for society as a whole (Noble, 2018).

Principle 5: Lifelong Learning and Adaptability

In a world where artificial intelligence is rapidly evolving, it is crucial to cultivate a culture of lifelong learning and adaptability. By doing so, we can ensure that individuals and organizations are equipped to navigate the complexities of AI and harness its potential for positive impact (Brynjolfsson & McAfee, 2014).

Lifelong learning involves continuously updating skills, knowledge, and competencies to keep pace with AI advancements. This includes promoting education and training programs that focus on AI literacy, critical thinking, and ethical decision-making, empowering individuals to engage with AI technologies confidently and responsibly (West, 2018).

Adaptability, on the other hand, encompasses the ability to respond effectively to the changing AI landscape. This involves fostering a mindset of flexibility, resilience, and innovation, enabling individuals and organizations to thrive in an environment of constant change and uncertainty (Susskind & Susskind, 2015).

By prioritizing lifelong learning and adaptability, we can create a workforce that is prepared for the challenges and opportunities of the AI era. This will help mitigate the risks of job displacement, promote economic growth, and ensure that AI technologies are used to enhance human potential (Ford, 2018) and (Abilimi, 2016). Additionally, fostering a culture of lifelong learning and adaptability can drive continuous improvement and innovation, ultimately leading to better outcomes for society as a whole (Brynjolfsson & McAfee, 2014).

Principle 6: Environmental Sustainability

As the world faces the dual challenges of rapid technological advancement and environmental degradation, it is imperative to ensure that the development and deployment of artificial intelligence are aligned with principles of environmental sustainability. By doing so, we can harness AI's potential to address pressing environmental issues while minimizing its ecological footprint (Berkhout & Hertin, 2004).

Environmental sustainability involves designing AI systems that are energy-efficient, resource-conscious, and environmentally friendly. This includes adopting green computing practices, optimizing algorithms for energy efficiency (Opoku-Mensah, Abilimi & Boateng, 2013), and promoting the use of renewable energy sources in AI infrastructure (Strubell, Ganesh, & McCallum, 2019).

Furthermore, AI has the potential to contribute to environmental sustainability by enabling innovative solutions to complex ecological challenges. This includes applications such as climate modeling, biodiversity monitoring, and smart agriculture, which can help mitigate the impacts of climate change, preserve natural resources, and promote sustainable development (Rolnick et al., 2019).

By prioritizing environmental sustainability, we can ensure that AI technologies are developed and deployed in a way that supports the health and well-being of our planet. This will help create a more sustainable and resilient future for all, where technological progress is harmonized with the imperative to protect and preserve our natural environment (Berkhout & Hertin, 2004).



Figure 2: Diagram for the 6 Principles of AI Governance

These principles of AI governance are all interconnected and build upon each other. Here's how they link together:

- i. **Human-Centered Design as the Foundation:** This principle establishes the core goal of AI – to benefit humanity. It sets the stage for the following principles to ensure responsible development and use.
- ii. **Transparency and Explainability for Trust:** If AI systems are clear and understandable, people can trust their outputs and decisions, which align with human well-being (principle 1). This allows for human oversight and intervention if needed.
- iii. **Ethical Governance and Accountability for Alignment:** Clear guidelines and accountability mechanisms (principle 2) ensure AI development adheres to ethical principles and human values (considered in principle 1). This helps avoid biases and unintended consequences that could harm human well-being.
- iv. **Inclusivity and Diversity for Robustness:** By incorporating diverse perspectives and stakeholders (principle 3), AI development considers a wider range of needs and potential impacts. This fosters more robust and inclusive systems that truly benefit all of humanity (principle 1).
- v. **Lifelong Learning and Adaptability for Continuous Improvement:** As AI interacts with the world and faces new challenges, the ability to learn and adapt (principle 4) ensures AI systems remain aligned with human well-being (principle 1). This requires continuous monitoring and adjustments based on human needs.
- vi. **Environmental Sustainability for Long-Term Benefit:** Developing AI in a sustainable way (principle 5) ensures its long-term viability and minimizes its environmental impact. This allows humanity to reap the benefits of AI without compromising the well-being of future generations (indirectly contributing to principle 1).

In summary, these principles form a holistic framework for AI governance. Human-centered design sets the goal, transparency and explainability build trust, ethical governance guides development, inclusivity strengthens the system, lifelong learning ensures adaptation, and environmental sustainability ensures long-term benefits for humanity.

III. The Role of Governments, Corporations, and Individuals

The advent of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has brought our species to a critical juncture, teetering on the edge of an uncertain future (Groth, 2023). To navigate this uncharted terrain, Davis (2018), indicated that, a collaborative effort is imperative, uniting governance bodies, enterprises, and individuals in a joint endeavour.

According to Tanuwijaya et al. (2023), effective governance is paramount, as authorities must establish and enforce regulations to safeguard citizens from the potential hazards of AI, while simultaneously nurturing innovation and entrepreneurship. This delicate equilibrium will ensure that AI progress remains aligned with the greater good of our species (Kotsis, 2024).

A recent study by Lu et al. (2024) found that, the principal architects of AI, corporations hold a considerable responsibility in developing AI systems that embody human values. Transparency, accountability, and ethics must be woven into their design process, and they must be prepared to bear the consequences of their actions (Koppell, 2010).

Several studies (Chang & Ke, 2024; de Nigris et al., 2020; Stefanou, 2024) explore various aspects of responsible AI development and governance simultaneously, shows that individuals, as the ultimate beneficiaries and potential casualties of AI, must remain well-informed and vigilant about AI advancements. They must demand that governments and corporations prioritize their well-being and safety, and be ready to hold them accountable for any shortcomings.

According to Allen (2023) and Vahvanen (2022), technological advancements pose a threat to humanity, while Kelly (2008) explores the concept of machines gaining autonomy. Moskowitz (2019), however, raises concerns about the safety of specific technologies like 5G. The collective actions of these three entities will ultimately mould the future of our species in this AI era. By working in unison, we can forge a tomorrow where AI serves to uplift humanity, rather than exert control over it. The time for unity is upon us.

Moreover, it is crucial to bridge the digital divide to enable those who are most in need to access AI-driven technologies and education (Sharma et al. (2022) & Chisom et al. (2023)). By doing so, we can unleash the full potential of AI to foster a more just and equitable society (see **Table below**), where equal opportunities for success and the fulfillment of one's potential are available to all.

Table 1: The intersection of Governments, corporations and individuals in AI future Framework

Aspect	Details
Introduction	The advent of AI has brought humanity to a critical juncture (Groth, 2023). A collaborative effort is needed (Davis, 2018).
Governments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Effective Governance: Establish and enforce regulations to safeguard citizens from AI hazards (Tanuwijaya et al., 2023). - Balance Innovation and Safety: Nurture innovation while aligning AI progress with the greater good (Kotsis, 2024).
Corporations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Responsibility: Develop AI systems embodying human values (Lu et al., 2024). - Transparency and Ethics: Integrate transparency, accountability, and ethics into design (Koppell, 2010). - Bear Consequences: Be prepared to bear the consequences of their actions.
Individuals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stay Informed: Remain vigilant and well-informed about AI advancements (Chang & Ke, 2024; de Nigris et al., 2020; Stefanou, 2024). - Demand Safety: Require governments and corporations to prioritize safety and well-being. - Hold Accountable: Be ready to hold them accountable for shortcomings.
Future Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technological Threats: Technological advancements pose threats to humanity (Allen, 2023; Vahvanen, 2022). - Machine Autonomy: Explore the concept of machines gaining autonomy (Kelly, 2008). - Technology Safety: Concerns about the safety of technologies like 5G (Moskowitz, 2019).
Collaborative Effort	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bridge the Digital Divide: Enable access to AI-driven technologies and education for those in need (Sharma et al., 2022; Chisom et al., 2023). - Foster Equity: Promote a just and equitable society with equal opportunities for success and fulfillment.
Conclusion	Collective actions of governments, corporations, and individuals will shape the future of AI, aiming to uplift humanity and ensure unity.

IV. Overcoming the Challenges: A Call to Action

As we teeters on the brink of an impending AI revolution, the critical call for collective action becomes increasingly urgent. Several scholars (Maynard, 2020; Mouellé, 2018; Mulhall, 2010; Wallach, 2015) have explored the potential impact of emerging technologies on humanity's future. The destiny of our species hangs perilously in the balance, making it imperative that we

prioritize a future where AI serves the masses, not just the privileged few. They indicated that to overcome the daunting obstacles posed by AI, a united effort is essential from governments, corporations, educators, and individual citizens alike.

Several studies have explored the impact of AI on education and employment (Basheer, 2023; Miao et al., 2021; Collett et al., 2022). The era of complacency is a thing of the past; the gravity of the situation demands our undivided attention. We must rise to the challenge by investing in education and re-skilling initiatives that equip workers for the rapidly evolving AI-driven economy. For instance, Basheer (2023) investigated the development of a sustainable graduate employability ecosystem in the UAE through AI and robotics. Furthermore, the growing importance of ethical considerations in today's digital landscape is underscored by research on corporate digital responsibility (Lobschat et al., 2021) and best practices for ethical data management (Adekugbe & Ibeh, 2024). Therefore, we must foster a culture of transparency, accountability, and ethical responsibility within the tech industry. This necessitates policymakers and business leaders collaborating on implementing regulations and safeguards that protect the most vulnerable members of society. Ultimately, the responsibility rests on each individual to actively contribute towards shaping the future we desire.

The urgency to create a framework for AI is no longer a distant possibility but an imminent imperative. According to several studies, the rise of artificial intelligence (AI) has sparked discussions about its impact on humanity (Boden, 2016; Qorbani, 2020; Wang & Siau, 2019). For instance, Wang and Siau (2019) conducted a review highlighting the potential impact of AI on the future of work and humanity itself. Similarly, Qorbani (2020) explores ways for humans to thrive in a world increasingly influenced by AI. We have a limited window of opportunity to create a future where AI enhances our lives while preserving our humanity. Let us seize this moment and join forces in paving a path that aligns with our loftiest aspirations.

Moreover, it is crucial to bridge the digital divide to enable those who are most in need to access AI-driven technologies and education. Yuan (2024) examined the future directions of AI-driven education in the context of China and beyond. By doing so, we can unleash the full potential of AI to foster a more just and equitable society, where equal opportunities for success and fulfillment of one's potential are available to all (see **Figure 3**).

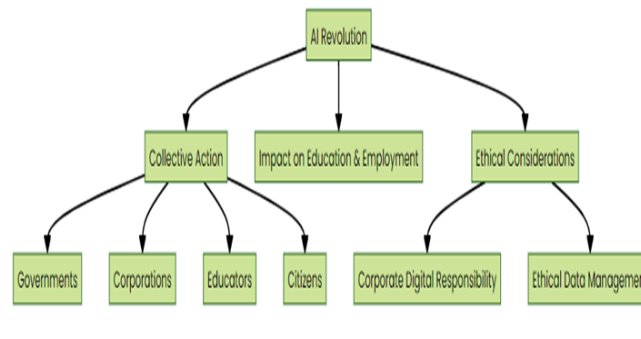


Figure 3: The Conceptual Overview of overcoming AI Challenges

Need for a Framework

- Urgency of AI Framework: Essential for guiding the future of work and ensuring human thriving.
- Bridging the Digital Divide: Ensuring access to AI technologies for an equitable society and opportunities for all. Framework and Access (see **Figure 4**).

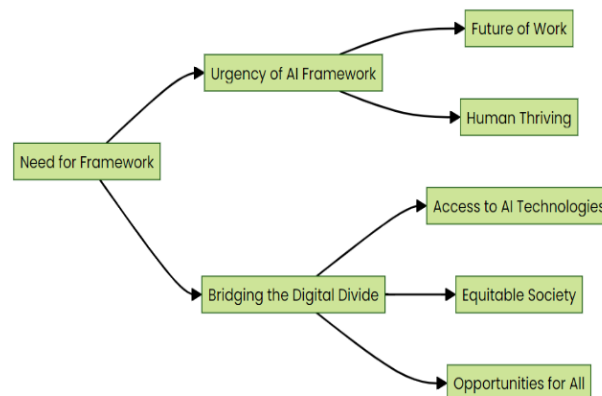


Figure 4: Framework and Access

V. Conclusion: A Future Where Humans and AI Thrive Together

As we stand at the threshold of a revolutionary era, where artificial intelligence is poised to transform every facet of our lives, it is essential to recognize the profound consequences of this technological shift. The path forward is not predetermined, but rather a collective endeavor that demands thoughtful navigation, responsible governance, and a nuanced understanding of the complex interplay between human values and machine intelligence (Brynjolfsson & McAfee, 2014).

Rather than simply imagining a harmonious coexistence between humans and AI, we urge policymakers, technologists, and citizens to work together to create a future where AI amplifies human capabilities, sparks creativity, and enhances collective well-being. This vision is not about replacing human judgment with AI, but about harnessing its potential to tackle the pressing challenges of our time (Tegmark, 2017).

As we navigate this new era of AI, we must prioritize transparency, accountability, and inclusivity in the development and deployment of AI systems. Our focus should be on cultivating a culture of continuous learning, where humans and AI collaborate to generate new knowledge, industries, and opportunities (Marcus & Davis, 2019). Furthermore, we must ensure that the benefits of AI are equitably distributed, that automation is paired with a corresponding increase in social welfare, and that the most vulnerable members of our society are protected from any unintended consequences of technological disruption (O'Neil, 2016).

In this envisioned future, humanity is not pitted against machines, but rather empowered to celebrate the qualities that make us uniquely human – creativity, empathy, and the pursuit of happiness. We are not just surviving in an AI-driven world; we are thriving, evolving, and creating a brighter future for all (Bostrom, 2014).

Moreover, bridging the digital divide is crucial to enable those who are most in need to access AI-driven technologies and education. By doing so, we can unlock the full potential of AI to foster a more just and equitable society, where equal opportunities for success and fulfillment of one's potential are available to all (Van Dijk, 2020).

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