



The Possibilities of Machine Morality

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Explores how the perspective of machine morality reveals the limits of human moral thinking and opens a wider space of moral possibility.

This book argues that morality is broader and more diverse than its human manifestation. Through detailed analyses of core moral concepts like agency and responsibility, it uses the hypothetical perspective of machine morality to reveal the contingent limits of human moral thinking, offering original insights into the nature of morality itself.

Key selling points

- Develops a novel framework of moral possibility that opens up new avenues for philosophical enquiry (e.g. moral cartography) with applications well beyond the book's own investigation into the potential and limits of both human and machine morality.
- Uses the machine perspective to reveal how contingent limitations shape human morality, exposing its boundaries and identifying possibilities that lie beyond them.
- Distinct from much of the existing literature in the philosophy of artificial intelligence (AI) and metaethics, this book argues that morality is broader than its human manifestation and that machines have the potential to make a meaningful and original contribution to moral thought.
- Written to be accessible without sacrificing philosophical depth, this book works constructively at the intersection of AI and ethics, asking what machines reveal about the nature and limits of morality itself.

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