

AI Regulation

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Multi-purpose / dual-use tech: policy ?

Tech neutrality:
Regulate tech's
usage / purpose

Regulate a specific
technology as such ?



AI SNAKE OIL

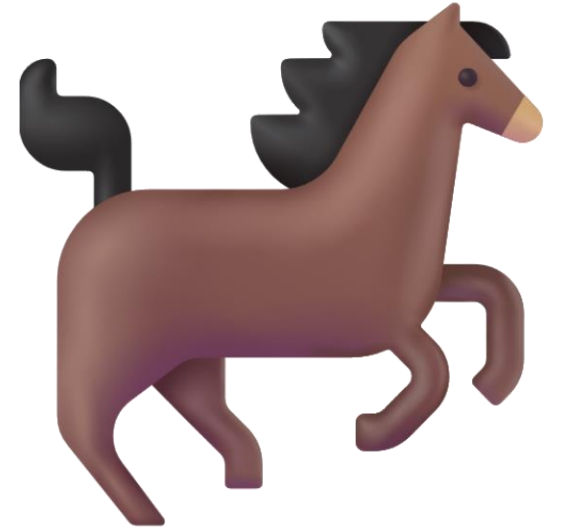
AI safety is not a model property

Trying to make an AI model that can't be misused is like trying to make a computer that can't be used for bad things



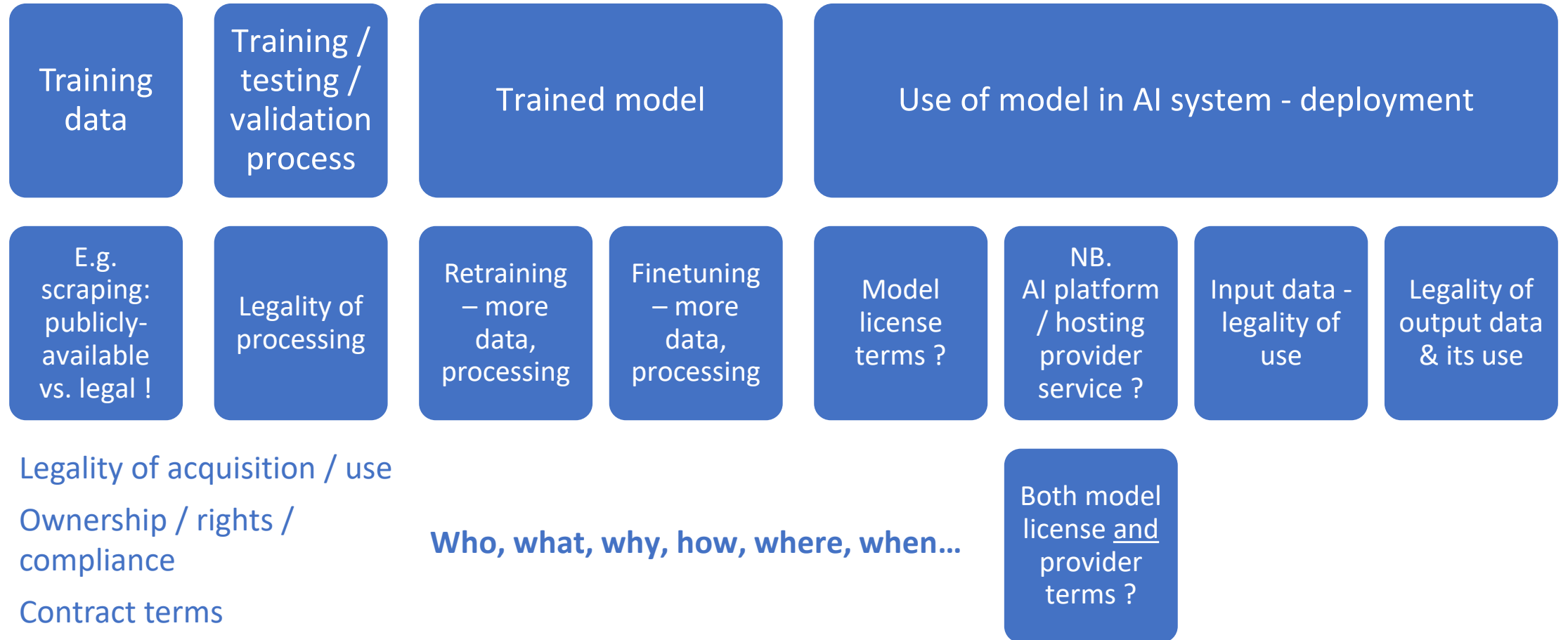
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AI-specific and other laws...



- AI-specific laws / regulation
 - US EO14110 + state laws: Colorado, California? etc.
 - EU AI Act; AI liability, product liability, etc
 - UK - “companies developing the most powerful AI models...”
 - More jurisdictions...
- **Non AI-specific** legal issues already affect AI development / use, e.g.:
 - Intellectual property - copyright, patents; ownership, licensing
 - Data protection / privacy - e.g. ADM, scraping, training, explainability
 - Defamation
 - Equality - e.g. facial recognition accuracy
 - Competition / anti-trust
 - Contracts / licences - AI / model providers; open source ? vs. docs / webpages

ML lifecycle - legal issues throughout



Many, many legal issues / uncertainties

Extraterritoriality
e.g. GDPR, also AI Act...





E.g. ops in EU, output used in EU

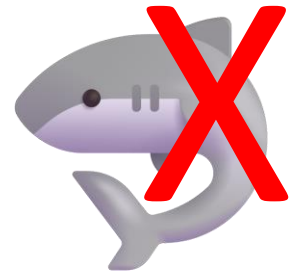
🔗 Jurisdiction, but
reputation / trust... 🤝 💰 📉

Other legal uncertainties, e.g. EU AI Act alone... definitional problems

- Lists of “prohibited”, “high-risk”, limited-risk (transparency) but... & outside scope
- Tech stack / supply chain complexities:
 - AI model, “GPAI model”, “AI system”, AI product, downstream system...
 - Hosting / AI management platforms - contract terms (model license terms)
 - Roles - deployer, provider, importer, manufacturer, distributor...

Legal risks

- Fines, class-action lawsuits, suspend / halt operations or even business
- Reputational risk
- Personal risk to employees, e.g. on security front
- Legal risks, like security...
 - Should NOT be an afterthought
 - Are a journey, not a destination 
- Involve legal / privacy experts !
 - At outset, cf. “quick scan” day before launch   
 - Throughout projects’ lifecycle, including post-deployment monitoring
 - Cross-functional teams



Thank you ! 🙏

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Extraterritoriality

🎵 🧑 Old MacDonald had a thought, E-U-A-I-O !

Could AI Act apply or not ? E-U-A-I-O !

If his **output's used** in the EU, yes

Many other aspects extraterritorial

Old MacDonald, check your role(s), E-U-A-I-O !