


NAME: GriefBot


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DESCRIPTION OF TECHNOLOGY

Chatbot to chat to living relatives on the behalf of a deceased person




IMPACT ON SOCIETY




This technology attempts to create a chatbot that will embody a deceased person so relatives and friends can still communicate with the deceased person.

HATEFUL AND CRIMINAL ACTORS




The main risk of this technology will be impersonation. This may come in the form of someone impersonating as the deceased chatbot and try to access sensitive and private information from the living relatives

PRIVACY




Yes it registers a lot of personal data since it uses the internet trail left by a deceased person. This includes messages, posts and social media affiliations. So this technology uses a lot of data.

HUMAN VALUES




This technology might alter perceptions of deceased since some data can be discovered and integrated into the chatbot that the deceased kept a secret

STAKEHOLDERS



- Relatives and Friends
- The deceased

DATA




Yes I do take into account the pitfalls of data in this technology. Eg. we do not know the relationship they had with the people in the dataset, we do not know whether they were family, friends or work colleague, since everyone communicates with people differently based on their relationship with them creating the chatbot that communicates with different people will prove difficult because we how will we teach it to relate with family members in a different way than friends without categorizing this...

INCLUSIVITY




There is no built-in bias in this technology

TRANSPARENCY




The technology is very transparent and straightforward. It is easy for everyone to understand how it works. You are just chatting with a chatbot like you will chat with a living person over the phone or computer.

SUSTAINABILITY






FUTURE



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How is the identity of the (intended) users affected by the technology?

To help you answer this question think about sub questions like:

- If two friends use your product, how could it enhance or detract from their relationship?
- Does your product create new ways for people to interact?...

TRANSPARENCY

Is it explained to the users/stakeholders how the technology works and how the business model works?

- Is it easy for users to find out how the technology works?
- Can a user understand or find out why your technology behaves in a certain way?
- Are the goals explained?
- Is the idea of the technology explained?
- Is the technology company transparent about the way their...

IMPACT ON SOCIETY

What is exactly the problem? Is it really a problem? Are you sure?

Can you exactly define what the challenge is? What problem (what 'pain') does this technology want to solve? Can you make a clear definition of the problem? What 'pain' does this technology want to ease? Whose pain? Is it really a problem? For who? Will solving the problem make the world better? Are you sure? The problem definition will help you to determine...

STAKEHOLDERS

Who are the main users/targetgroups/stakeholders for this technology? Think about the intended context by...

When thinking about the stakeholders, the most obvious one are of course the intended users, so start there. Next, list the stakeholders that are directly affected. Listing the users and directly affected stakeholders also gives an impression of the intended context of the technology.

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SUSTAINABILITY

In what way is the direct and indirect energy use of this technology taken into account?

One of the most prominent impacts on sustainability is energy efficiency. Consider what service you want this technology to provide and how this could be achieved with a minimal use of energy. Are improvements possible?

HATEFUL AND CRIMINAL ACTORS

In which way can the technology be used to break the law or avoid the consequences of breaking the law?

Can you imagine ways that the technology can or will be used to break the law? Think about invading someone's privacy. Spying. Hurting people. Harassment. Steal things. Fraud/identity theft and so on. Or will people use the technology to avoid facing the consequences of breaking the law (using trackers to evade speed radars or using bitcoins to launder...

DATA

Are you familiar with the fundamental shortcomings and pitfalls of data and do you take this sufficiently into...

There are fundamental issues with data. For example:

- Data is always subjective;
- Data collections are never complete;
- Correlation and causation are tricky concepts;
- Data collections are often biased;...

FUTURE

What could possibly happen with this technology in the future?

Discuss this quickly and note your first thoughts here. Think about what happens when 100 million people use your product. How could communities, habits and norms change?

PRIVACY

Does the technology register personal data? If yes, what personal data?

If this technology registers personal data you have to be aware of privacy legislation and the concept of privacy. Think hard about this question. Remember: personal data can be interpreted in a broad way. Maybe this technology does not collect personal data, but can be used to assemble personal data. If the technology collects special personal data (like...

INCLUSIVITY

Does this technology have a built-in bias?

Do a brainstorm. Can you find a built-in bias in this technology? Maybe because of the way the data was collected, either by personal bias, historical bias, political bias or a lack of diversity in the people responsible for the design of the technology? How do you know this is not the case? Be critical. Be aware of your own biases....

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