

Chapter 3: Ethics in IT-Configured Societies

Study Questions:

1. This chapter considers how technology should be conceptualized. What are the advantages of thinking about technology as the instrumentation of human action?
The advantage of technology as the instrument of human action is that it will make our lives more easier and it is more convenient because we don't have to do many things and it can save a lot of time we have to think the benefits that will effect in our lives like using the technology that we have today and it being a big help to our world is a big think in the IT industry specially developers.
2. What is captured, and what is lost, when certain forms of IT are conceptualized as robots, and when human beings are conceptualized as cyborgs?
Even if the world is more modern it doesn't have to be too much where they will use robots this is not called convenience but laziness even if we can do a thing we will just rely on this robots to a certain thing for us. Like in the movie irobots where they have these robots who will clean their house and everything but they don't realized that in the end this robots wants to kill them and we have to work an d clean this is like our exercise not exercising is bad for our health.
3. How does the scope of communication on the internet differ from other form of communication such as telephone, television, newspaper, and talking face to face?
Scope of communication in the internet is differ because it is more convenient and communicating through internet and email will make you more express your feeling by writing a long letter and fee while on the telephone where you have to pay per minute if you are talking to someone many people tend to express their feelings in a letter or by writing a email because it is more convenient and fast.
4. Why is not accurate to say that communication on the internet is anonymous? What is different or distinctive about the identity conditions in the internet when compared to the identity face to face?
Communication in the internet is not anonymous because if you want to meet someone and if you want to know someone about you of course they will look into your information and you want these information's to be more accurate for them to know the real you. Sometimes it is not accurate because many people are using fake pictures when where they meet in personal many people is shocked because they look way more different in the picture the disadvantage of communicating through internet is that you actually not seeing the one that your are talking to.
5. What is reproducibility and why is it significant?
Reproducibility Is about the accuracy of a certain thing it is significant because many people are making sure that you are real and you are not using a fake account on face book because they don't want to talk to people who lie on who they are.
6. Did anyone do anything wrong in the virtual rape case? If so, who? What was the wrong doing?
Develop analogies between the behavior in this case and other kinds of behavior that occur offline.
Yes something is wrong because what they had done to her is unethical and morally wrong.

7. Explain the statement that social networking sites shape, and are shaped by, friendship.
Networking sites are shaped by friendship because this is the place where friends update one another on their status and everything, every detail can be found in your facebook page and this is the means of communication through social networking sites.
8. What characteristics of IT and the internet change the environment for plagiarism and plagiarism detection?
Many developers developed and created a software for plagiarism to check and make sure that you are not copying the works of other people and to make sure that what you are doing is right and wrong.
9. Identify and explain the four arguments made to show that the internet is a democratic technology.
The first argument explains that it allows users to share information with other people. The second one explains that it is directly connected and can be viewed through videos by other people like youtube. Third one is can be access by many people and the last one is it is independent.
10. Do any of the four arguments in question #9 hold up to critical scrutiny? Explain which argument you think holds up the best. Do you think that his best argument is convincing?
The best argument is number one where it is true that many people are knowing the information about you because you are sharing it but it still depends on which kind of people you will share your information with is.