Creative Machine

OXFORD 2023 Cheng kar shun digital hub Jesus College, University of Oxford Tuesday 30th May 2023

09.50 AM	Registration	ENTRANCE	
10.20 AM	Opening Comments	MAIN SPACE	PROF WILLIAM LATHAM Goldsmiths
			DR JANINA SCHUPP Jesus College, Oxford
			PROF DAVID OSWELL Goldsmiths
10.30 AM	Can AI be Creative?	MAIN SPACE	STEVE COLLINS CTO King.com
			PROF FREDERIC FOL LEYMARIE Goldsmiths
			SOUGWEN CHUNG Artist in Robotics
			Chair MELISSA HEIKKILÄ MIT Technology Reivew
11.30 AM	Break and Exhibition Demos		
12.00 PM	Al as a Partner	MAIN SPACE	PIOTR MIROWSKI Deepmind
			PROF MICK GRIERSON Creative Computing, UAL
			PROF FRIDOLIN WILD IET, Open University
			Chair MELISSA HEIKKILÄ MIT Technology Review
13.00 PM	Lunch and Exhibition Demos		
14.00 PM	Better than Bach? AI and	MAIN SPACE	PROF DAVID DE ROURE Engineering Science, Oxford
	Music		PROF MARK d'INVERNO Goldsmiths
			FRANÇOIS PACHET Spotify
			Chair DR ROBERT LAIDLOW Jesus College, Oxford
OLIAN	AI and Visualisation for	SPACE TWO	PROF SHANKAR SRINIVAS DPAG, Oxford
MIK	Scientific Discovery		PROF JIM HUGHES Weatherall Institute, Oxford
			PROF LARISA SALDATOVA Goldsmiths
			Chair STEVE TAYLOR Wellcome Trust Centre for Human Genetics, University of Oxford

15.20 PM Similtaneous larks	Curating AI and Digital Art	MAIN SPACE	ABIGAIL MILLER Unit Gallery, London
			DR OONAGH MURPHY Goldsmiths
			PITA ARREOLA V&A Museum
			PROF IRA GREENBERG Meadows Schools of Arts, SMU, USA
			Chair LUBA ELLIOTT AI Curator
	Human Intelligence.	SPACE TWO	PROF CHRYSTALINA ANTONIADES NDCN, Oxford
	The Workings of the Human Brain		PROF EDMUND ROLLS Computational Neuroscience Warwick
			PROF PARASHKEV NACHEV Inst. of Neurology, UCL
			Chair PROF HOLLY BRIDGE NDCN, Oxford
16.30 PM	Break and Exhibition Demos		
17.00 PM	AI Impact and Implications for	MAIN SPACE	SPEAKERS TO BE ANNOUNCED
	Society. Panel Discussion		Chair PROF SIR NIGEL SHADBOLT Computer Science and Jesus College, Oxford
18.00 PM	Networking, Drinks and Exhibition Demos	MAIN SPACE	
20.00 PM	End		

SYMPOSIUM ORGANISERS

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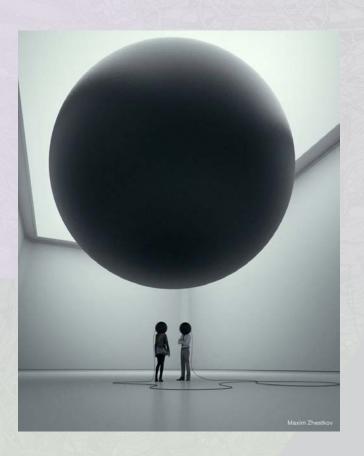
CAN AI BE CREATIVE?

The fundamental question of whether a computer can be more creative than a human is a current and contentious topic of debate. Leading speakers from Academia and Industry will address this theme. Are the software techniques we have now merely giving the illusion of creativity but not providing 'real' creativity? Should an AI system emulate the human, or should the system be something completely different? Will the computer ultimately be more creative than the human? Other important topics such as "How do you measure human or machine creativity?" will be covered along the way.

AI AS A PARTNER

Hybrid systems where control is switched back and forth between the human and a computer AI over time have many benefits. Creatives often feel comfortable with these systems. Is this getting the best of both worlds from a Human and Machine perspective? Or are we ultimately limiting the machine's creative potential, which may be constrained and "slowed down" by the human's limited conceptual framework and interaction? Or is it the opposite?





BETTER THAN BACH? AI AND MUSIC

Leading composers, musicians, and music technologists from industry and academia will outline their work in AI and music and consider the opportunities and challenges of developing AI computer systems to support the processes of composition and performance. The speakers will discuss under what conditions AI can stimulate and provoke new kinds of creative musical expression and whether there are any conditions under which systems can "post-compose" or even "outcompose" the composer. The role of AI in musical creative expression will be explored through live human / AI improvisation that sets out to understand the musical experiences of both performers and listeners.

AI AND VISUALISATION FOR Scientific Discovery

Can an AI "out-think" and "out-observe a scientist"? Or are current AI systems just useful statistical engines only as good as the huge quantity of



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data they process combined with the fine-tuning of AI filters? Can a machine independently observe and come up with a novel hypothesis? Leading speakers in this section explore these questions using examples from their own research work and the wider field.

HUMAN INTELLIGENCE: THE WORKINGS OF THE HUMAN BRAIN

As a counter balance to the computing and technology AI topics being discussed through the day, in this section Neuroscience and Medical experts explain how the human brain functions, providing insight, reflections and comparisons with the AI processes and technology. The section will, in addition, cover human perception and the cognitive processing of ideas. As a final question, we will cover "How does the human brain drive creativity?"

CURATING AI AND DIGITAL ART PANEL

Digital Art and AI have finally reached the Artworld! Led by leading Museum and Gallery Curators specialising in exhibiting digital and AI art, the panel will discuss the challenges of curating and selecting art works in this emerging art field and how to engage the public and art market. The challenges of identifying human artistic authorship and NFTs will also be discussed.

AI IMPACT AND IMPLICATIONS FOR SOCIETY PANEL

Professor Sir Nigel Shadbolt, Jesus College Principal and Professorial Research Fellow in Computer Science at the University of Oxford, will host a keynote panel discussion exploring the impact and implications to society of AI in the 21st century.



