

Cyber Ethics 4.0: Serving Humanity with Values



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Module 5

Freedom, Dignity, Independence



The Cultural Denunciation Syndrome

The “Cultural Denunciation Syndrome” (“CDS”) is the power unleashed by the Net to hurt anyone you dislike by public denunciation of some imagined “offence”, crime or transgression.

The Cultural Denunciation Syndrome

Denunciation as a form of social behavior has been the subject of moral and political philosophy throughout the ages.



The Cultural Denunciation Syndrome

The Net is anonymous,
pervasive, ubiquitous and
delivers immediate gratification
to the denunciator.

Win for everyone except the
victim.



Gullible Robots and Truth

Instead of becoming smarter, our information glut has turned us into gullible robots.



Information Control

- *Never has so much information been controlled by so few.*
(sir Churchill)
- This unique control of information had it been in the hands of government would have qualified as totalitarianism.
(Hannah Arendt and Raymond Aron)

A person is working at a desk in a dimly lit room. The desk is cluttered with multiple laptops, a desk lamp, and various cables. The person's hands are visible, typing on a keyboard and using a mouse. The background is dark, with a lamp providing the primary light source.

Information Control

- We seem not to be uncomfortable with the idea that our lives are controlled by less than a handful of private corporations.
- It's so easy to “nudge” us into making decisions that are not necessarily in our best interest.




The Code is the Code

Whatever is technologically possible is the law.


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1. Is there such a thing as laws above the law?
2. Is technology above the law?
3. What is the impact of the theory on Justice?

A pair of glasses with dark frames and clear lenses is resting on a light-colored concrete pool deck. The background shows a blue swimming pool, a metal handrail, and a building with large windows and green foliage. A white circular overlay is positioned on the right side of the image, containing text.


**The Code is the Code:
Is there such a thing as
laws above the law?**

Technology is a gift to mankind and there is no such thing as good or bad technology.

A pair of glasses with black frames and clear lenses is resting on a light-colored pool deck. In the background, a swimming pool with blue water is visible, along with a building and some greenery. A semi-transparent white circle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing text.

The Code is the Code: Is technology above the law?

Technology enabled us to “do things” which for various reasons (mainly ethical) we decide not to allow (F.e. cloning)

A pair of glasses with black frames and clear lenses is resting on a light-colored tiled pool deck. In the background, a blue swimming pool is visible, along with a building and some greenery. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

The Code is the Code: What is the impact of the theory on Justice?

Growing inequality gives rise to discrimination not just in terms of social justice, but also in terms of just Justice.

The End