Review

RJ 13, Cybernetics: Tuesday 11:59pm
RJ 14, Internet of Things: Nov 16, 11:59pm
Ethical Analysis 2: Nov 17, 5pm
What Have We Covered?

- Ethical Theories
- Ethical Questions
Some Questions

- What do we mean by…
  - Moral obligation? Moral responsibility?
    Morally praiseworthy? Morally blameworthy?

- When is something immoral? Amoral?

- What are ‘rights’?

- When is something “right” or “wrong”?

- “This is the best course of action.”

**WHY?**
Consequentialism

- Sometimes “Utilitarianism”

- Maximize the overall good:
  - ‘The greatest good for the greatest number’.

- What’s “good?” (What can be maximized?)
  - Happiness
  - Health
  - Security
  - Freedom
Deontology

- The right is more important than the good.
  - It's about what you do, not what happens.

- What is “right?”
  
  - The rights of others: “respect for persons”
  - Treating others well
  - Treating others as we would wish to be treated
  - The social contract of rational agents
Just-Consequentialism

Core values: What “goods” do we want to protect?

Provide for autonomy
- Life, happiness, abilities, security, knowledge, freedom, opportunities, and resources

Protect justice, rights, and duties
- Meet societal obligations
  - Keep promises, obey the law, satisfy contractual duties

Avoid doing harm
- Causing an individual to lose these is “doing harm”
Contractualism

- Contractualism (contract based)
  - Do things where a rational agent would want to live in a world where people did those things.

- A “social contract” is...
  - Our shared agreement to do those things!

- How do we determine what a rational person wants?
Rights!

- What **WHYs** (values & principles) have we discussed?
  - Happiness
  - Health
  - Security
  - Freedom
  - Respect
  - Autonomy
  - Life
  - Security
  - Knowledge
  - Opportunities
  - Abilities
  - Resources

- Respect for persons
  - Treating others well or as we would wish to be treated

- Contracts
  - Our shared agreement to do those things
  - Keeping promises, fulfilling obligations, obeying the law
Worksheet

Ethical Analysis goals:
- Define your question: What are you focusing on?
  - It’s not “everything about cryptocurrency.”
- Take a stance – this is not an “overview” paper
- Justify it! WHY is this the “right” action/policy?
- Pay special attention to question 4!

Work with your group on the worksheet
- But fill it out separately.

We are here to answer questions and help!
Final Project

- I should have your topic!
- How presentations work

**Deliverables:**
- Topic (already)
- Worksheet (Nov 30th)
- Slides (36 hours before your presentation!)
- Presentation (as scheduled)
- Final Paper (Dec 3rd)
- Meeting with instructor (11/26 or sooner)