

CS 4873 Computers, Society, and Professionalism
Fall 2020
Section Discussion Guide
Week 14

I. CLOS

II. Questions

- Remember each class to bring a question, observation or relevant news item for discussion

III. Dan Ariely: What do people really do?

- People tend to cheat *just a little*. Why?
- What happened in the “sweatshirt task,” and what does it mean?
- Do honor codes help?
 - How often do you need to be reminded of an honor code?

IV. Simulation

- What kinds of decisions are simulations and computer models used for?
- What factors limit the reliability of a computer model?
- What is the special ethical responsibility of computer professionals who create models used in decision making?

V. AI and Human Rights

- What is transparency in AI and why is it hard?
- What restrictions on AI do the authors of the article propose for governments, and for the private sector? (Refer to the article.)
- Do you think those restrictions would stifle innovation? Why or why not?

VI. Thanks

- Please thank your TA
- Please thank anyone in your section whose contributions you especially appreciate