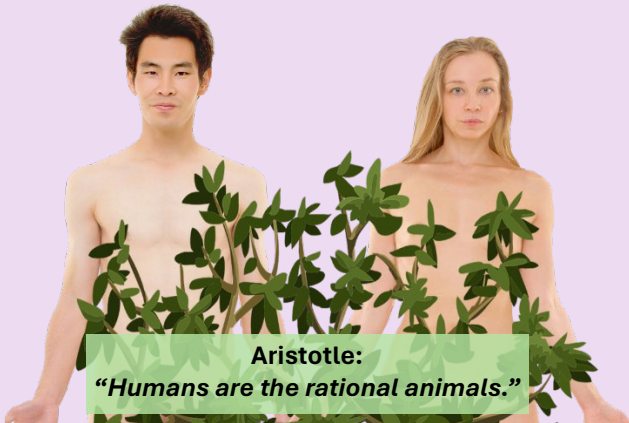


# ALIGNING AI WITH HUMAN VALUES CHOSEN BY CONSENSUS IS A RECIPE FOR DISASTER

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## EIGHT FACTS OF REALITY:

**1** Lacking animal instinct, a human's only source of knowledge and guide to action is "Reason," which he focuses on facts of "Reality" to discover what is necessary for survival and how to attain it.

**2** Starting as a blank slate, the human subconscious gets programmed with the thought patterns of whatever the conscious mind focuses on intently and often. It can then guide actions subconsciously (i.e., habits) and send pattern-match alerts to the conscious mind via emotions (i.e., fear).

**3** In addition to reason, humans have volition, the power to choose whether to focus their conscious, rational faculty on facts to determine their actions or to unfocus and allow their subconscious to guide them automatically based on prior thinking.

**4** Because humans lack instinct, there is no "hive mind." A human must rely on *his* mind to choose *his* actions, not on the thinking of others. He can then act to produce more of something than he needs to survive and trade the excess with others who do the same. Therefore, *by nature*, the individual must be left free to think, act, and trade without being subject to force, coercion, or sacrifice. The ethics of "Individual Rights" and the political system, "Capitalism," were America's founding principles, novel in human history.

**5** However, since America's founding, professors, primarily in the humanities and social sciences, imported from Europe, perpetuated and taught generations of students a worldview that says that reality is unknowable, reason is useless, we are

responsible for filling the needs of others, and one must rely on imagination and feelings to reach the truth. "Reality is only in your mind." "You can't be certain of anything; trust your emotions." "The individual must sacrifice for the greater good."

**6** Ingrained in the students' subconscious, these anti-reality, anti-reason, collectivist, and primacy-of-feelings ideas led to the need for "safe spaces" and a "cancel culture" on campuses. The generations of graduates carried these ideas into their professional lives, shaping societal norms and values toward fake truth, intolerance, hatred, violence, and the appeal of socialism we see today.

**7** REALITY (metaphysics), REASON (epistemology), INDIVIDUALISM (ethics), and CAPITALISM (politics) *are* the universally applicable human values consistent with our physical nature. The influence of learned reliance on fantasy, irrationality, self-sacrifice, and collectivism is unavoidable in the consensus of current generations.

**8** Algorithms are opinions expressed in code because humans define what success looks like for the algorithm. We need AI algorithms to be held, not to consensus, but to the same *facts-of-reality-based standard* as proper human behaviors. The urgently needed question we must ask consistently is...

***"How does [this particular] application of AI promote objective rather than imagined facts, reason over feelings, the self-interest of individualism, not the self-sacrifice of collectivism, and political-economic freedom, not government control?"***

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