

Will A.I take my job?

Level: Intermediate





The question that many people ask is; “Will A.I take my job?”

We are afraid that the answer is “Probably yes, and if not it will certainly change it”.

Let’s ask an A.I and discover what it thinks:

“Human: What human jobs will be replaced by A.I within the next five years?”

AI: It is difficult to predict which human jobs will be replaced by AI within the next five years, but some experts have speculated that jobs in fields such as customer service, data analysis, and financial forecasting are likely contenders. Additionally, AI is beginning to be used more and more for automation of mundane tasks in retail, manufacturing, and healthcare industries.”

That reply is a bit worrying.



For a comparison let's ask the current superstar of conversational A.I (chatGPT) what it thinks:

“It is difficult to predict with certainty which specific jobs will be replaced by AI in the next five years, as the adoption of AI technologies can vary widely depending on a variety of factors, such as the specific industry, the availability of skilled AI professionals, and the willingness of companies to invest in and adopt new technologies.

However, it is generally believed that certain types of jobs that involve repetitive or predictable tasks are more likely to be automated in the near future. These may include jobs in manufacturing, transportation, data entry, and customer service, among others.

It is important to note that while AI may be able to perform certain tasks more efficiently than humans, it is unlikely to completely replace human workers in the near future, and many jobs will require a combination of human and machine capabilities.”



Some people claim that A.I will never replace creative jobs like artists and designers. Let's put that question to Google:

"It is extremely unlikely that humans will stop creating art just because a piece of technology can make AI-generated artworks. The way in which contemporary artists operate might be influenced by AI, and the creative sector might incorporate AI into its workflows, but human-created art will not disappear."

That is a great answer and the one we totally agree with. A.I is going to change the workplace in ways we cannot yet imagine but it does not mean that humans will all become redundant. Even with a basic understanding of the technology we can discover ways to work with A.I rather than attempt to fight a losing battle against it.

Someone, somewhere is thinking about how A.I can replace you. Billions of dollars are being invested into A.I powered systems that are destined to make the world more efficient.

Around 1900 we started to see mechanical diggers replacing manual labour in the construction industry. The navy disappeared.

In the 1980's desktop computers started to appear. The Apple IIe computers David Gammond (Founder & CEO) was selling at the time running an early spread sheet software called VisiCalc replaced thousands of office clerks.

Technology has been replacing people for a very long time, but even knowing that look at the world we have today. It's not perfect but we can live in it.

The ascent of A.I will be the biggest change to both the workplace and our lives that society has ever experienced. We can live in the new world that A.I will build. Those of us that grasp the opportunities the technology creates will lead the way.



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