

Artificial intelligence

In one recent example, computer scientists ran ChatGPT through the conditions of the Milgram shock experiment — a study on obedience, begun in 1961, in which people gave what they believed were increasingly painful electric shocks to an unseen person when told to do so by an authority figure — and other well-known psychology studies. The AI model responded similarly to humans: 75 percent of simulated participants administered shocks of 300 volts or more.

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