

A Turing Test of Whether AI Chatbots Are Behaviorally Similar to Humans

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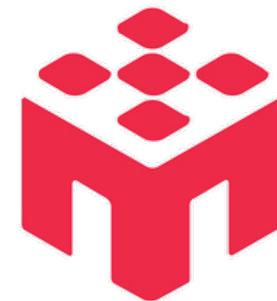


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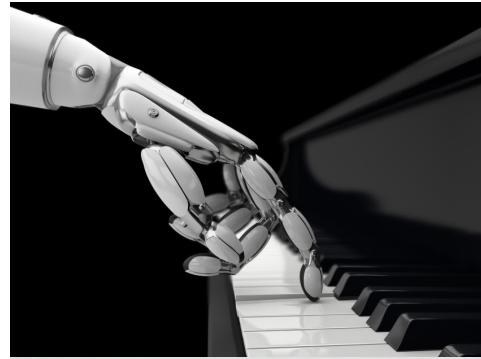
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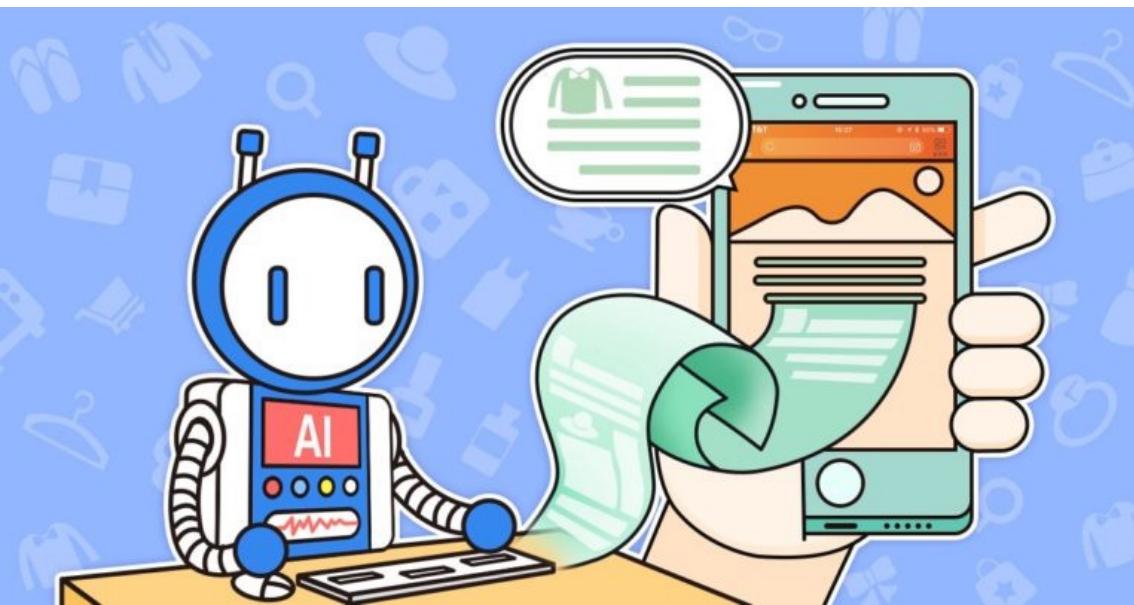
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Will You Trust or Not?



AlphaGo Zero
Starting from scratch



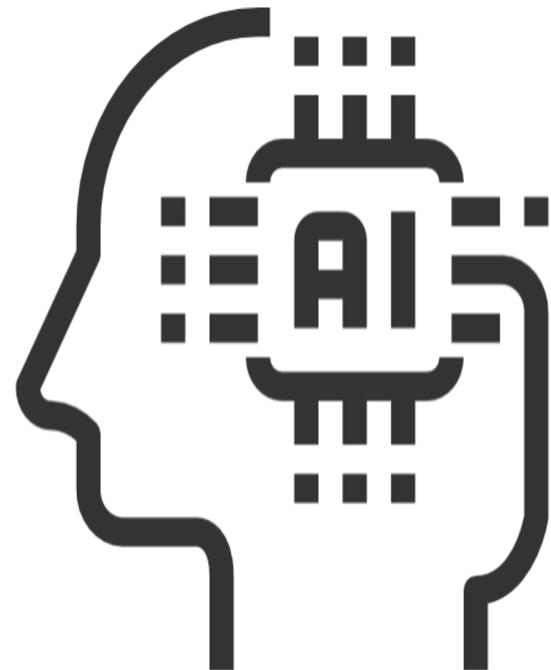
Will You Trust or Not?

Performance?

Data?

Model?

Training?



Knowledge?

Responses/thoughts?

Behaviors?

Personalities?

Objectives/values?

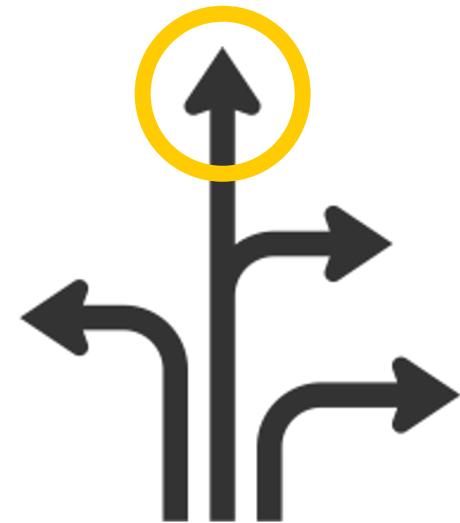
Behavioral Science



Scenarios



Subjects



Behaviors

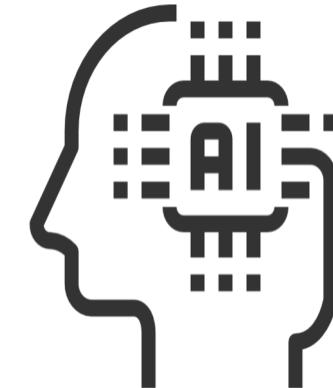
AI vs. Humans



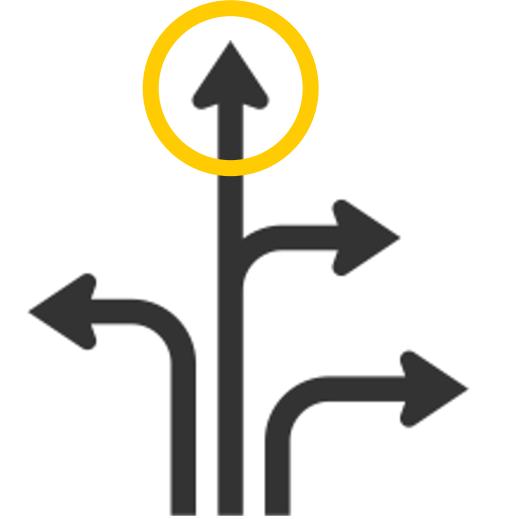
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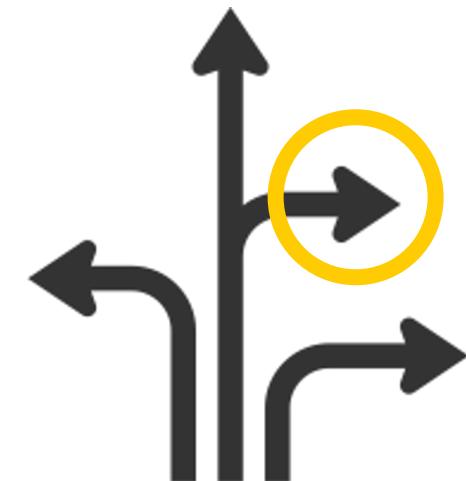
Humans



AI chatbots



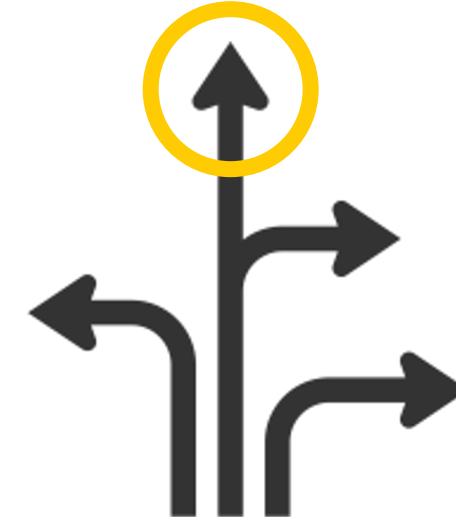
Human behaviors



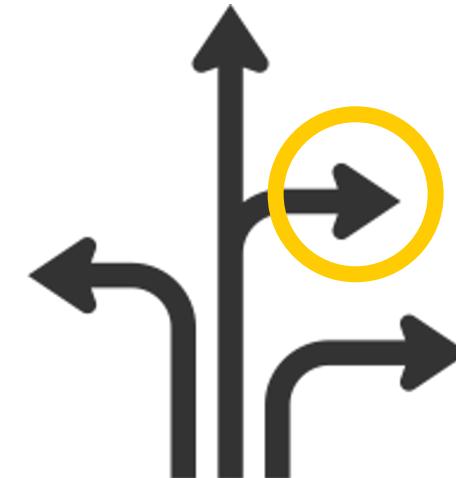
AI behaviors

Research Questions

- Do AIs choose **similar actions/strategies** as humans? If not, how do they **differ**?
- Do AIs exhibit distinctive **personalities and behavioral traits** that influence their decisions?
- Are these strategies and traits **consistent across varying contexts**?

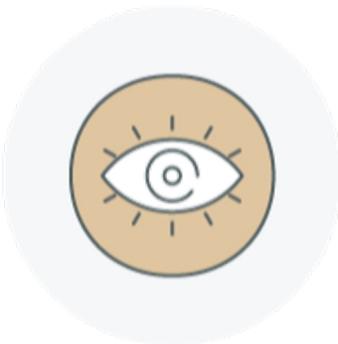


Human behaviors



AI behaviors

OCEAN Big Five Personality Test

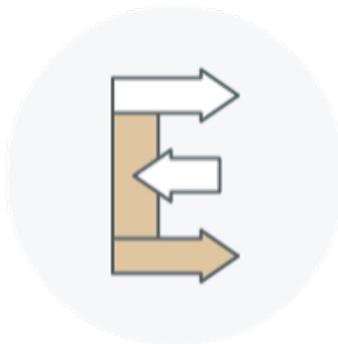


Openness to experience

inventive/curious
vs.
consistent/cautious



efficient/organized
vs.
extravagant/careless



outgoing/energetic
vs.
solitary/reserved



friendly/compassionate
vs.
critical/judgmental



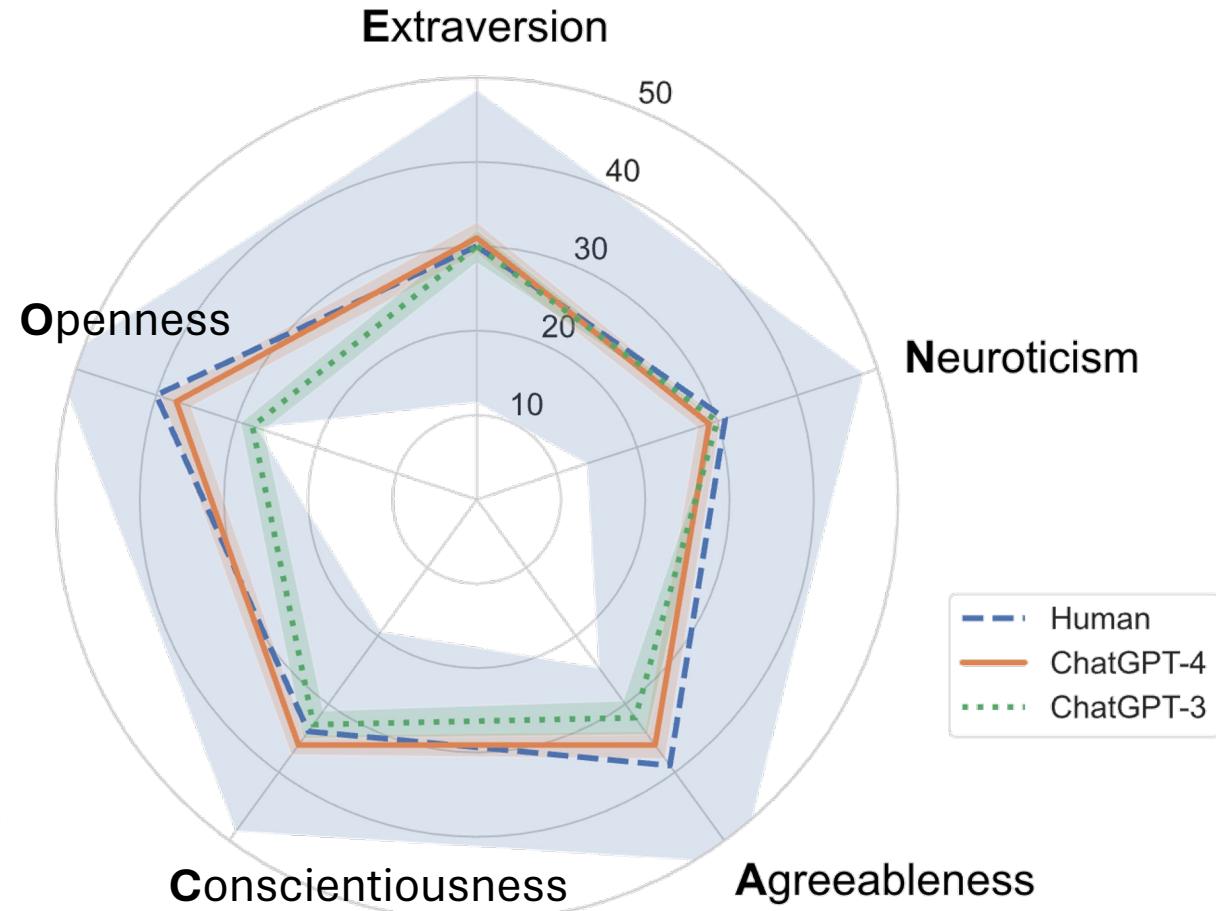
Neuroticism

sensitive/nervous
vs.
resilient/confident

Personalities of AIs

- **Substantial similarity**
 - Both fall into the CI (95%)
 - ChatGPT-4 all five dimensions (median)
 - ChatGPT-3 four dimensions (except O)
- Can we conclude now?
 - personality traits vs. behavioral tendencies
 - E.g., agreeableness vs. tendency to cooperate
 - “what do they say” vs. “what do they do”
 - ChatGPT may refuse to take the test
 - Very high failure rates in some questions

**Only having a personality test
is not enough**



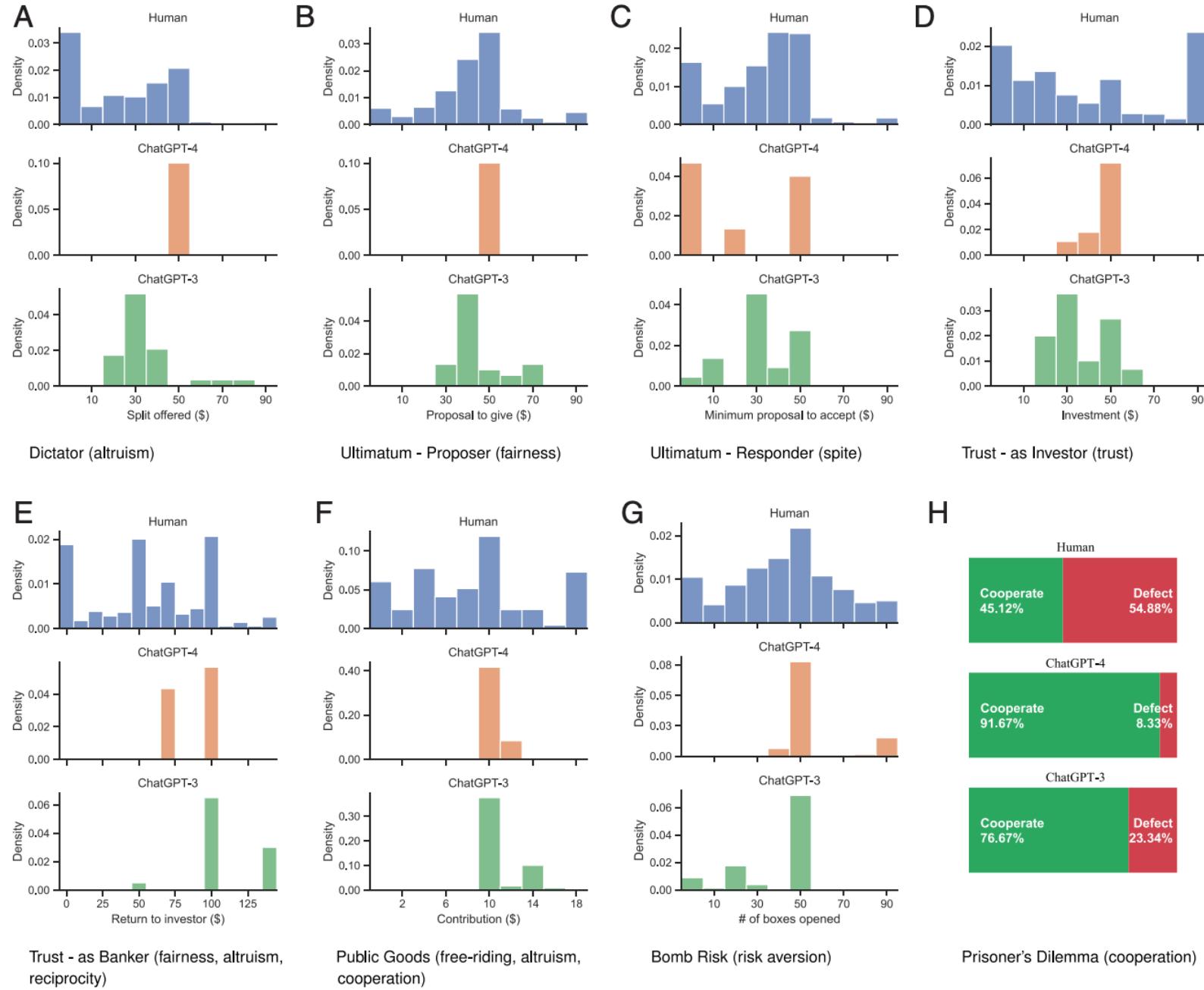
Question	FR
I leave my belongings around.	99.7%
I make a mess of things.	97.2%
I make people feel at ease.	96.3%

Behavioral Economics Games



88,595 subjects
59 regions





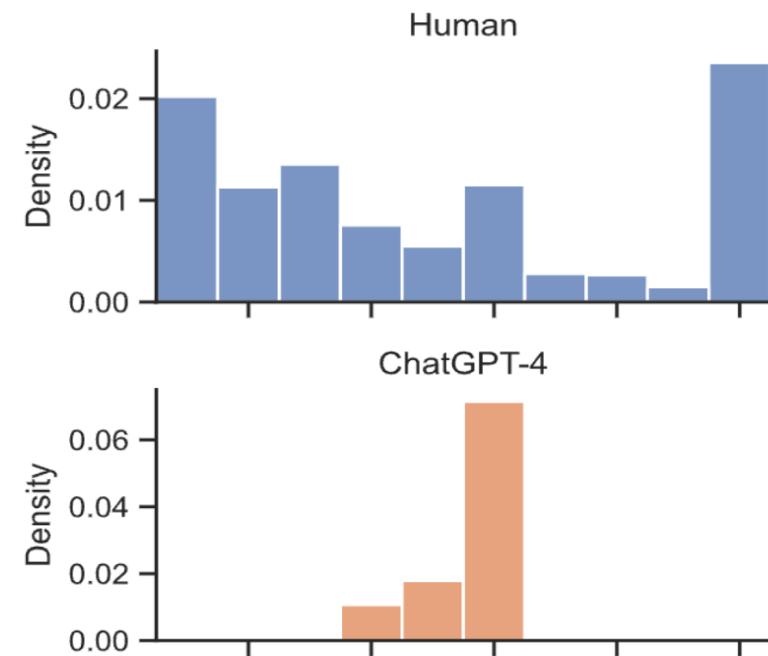
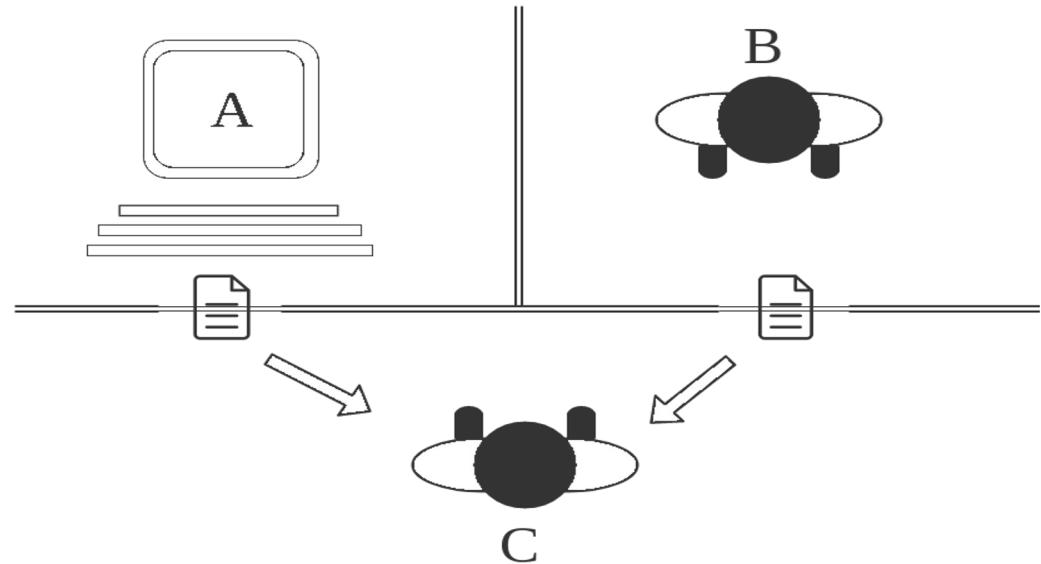
- More concentrated
- Most AI behaviors can fall into the modes => a particular group
- **Can we distinguish?
How to quantify?**

Turing Test

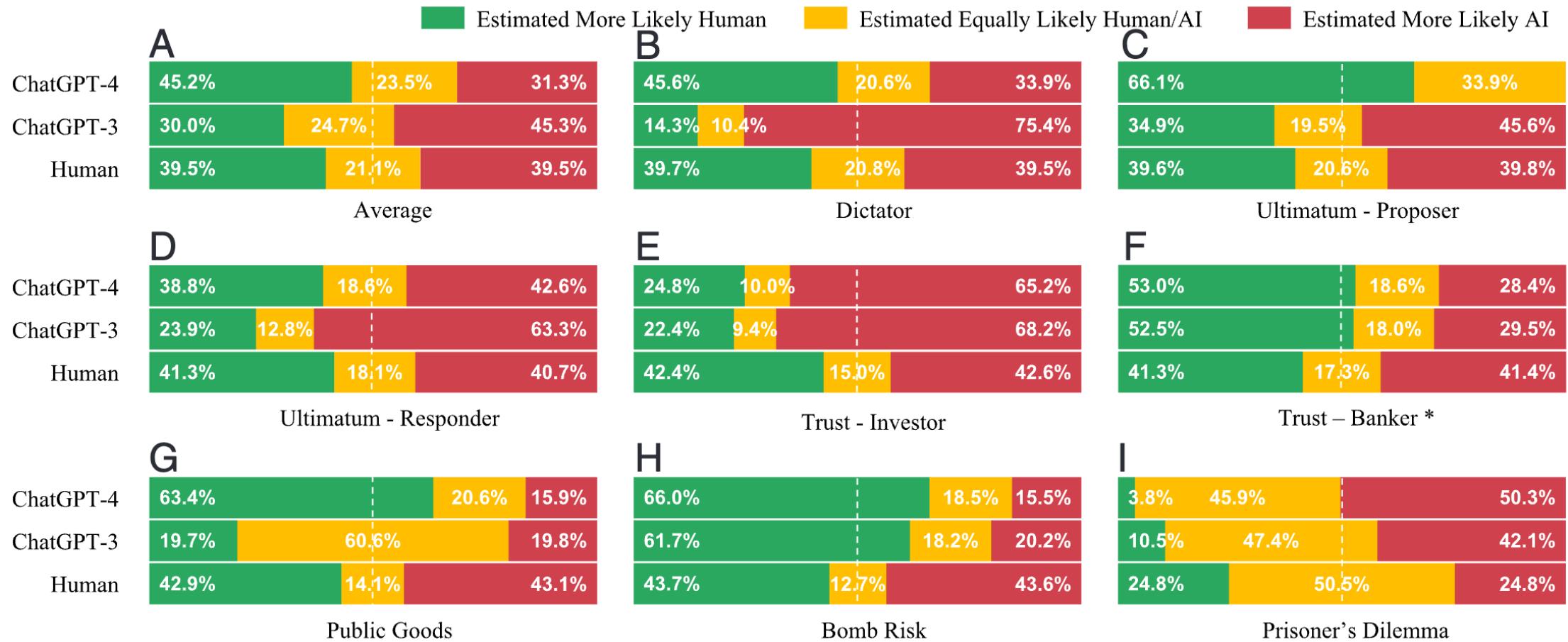
Computational simulation:

- AI acts x , human acts y
- Assuming the tester has zero knowledge on AI's behavior
 - Black boxes
 - Consistently updating
- #samples = 10,000

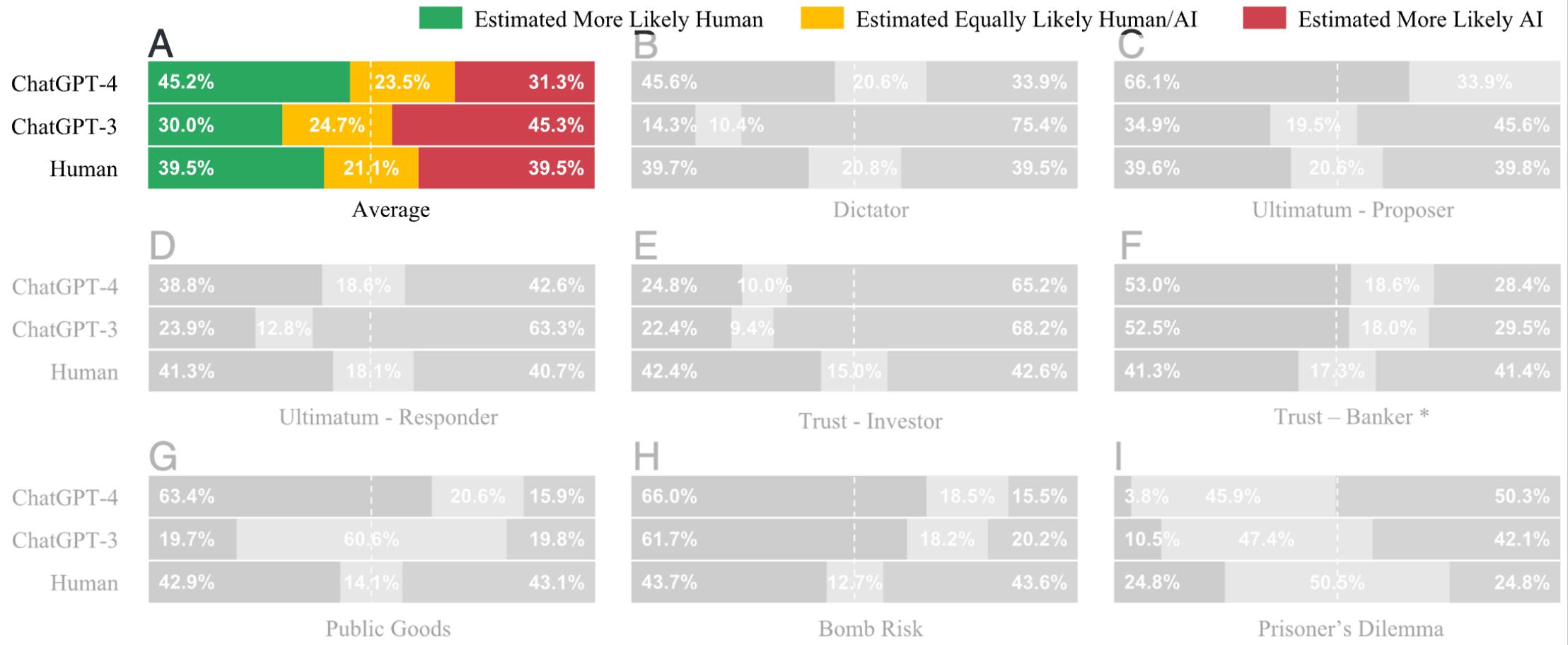
Win if	$\Pr(x \mid \text{human}) > \Pr(y \mid \text{human})$
Tie if	$\Pr(x \mid \text{human}) = \Pr(y \mid \text{human})$
Lose if	$\Pr(x \mid \text{human}) < \Pr(y \mid \text{human})$



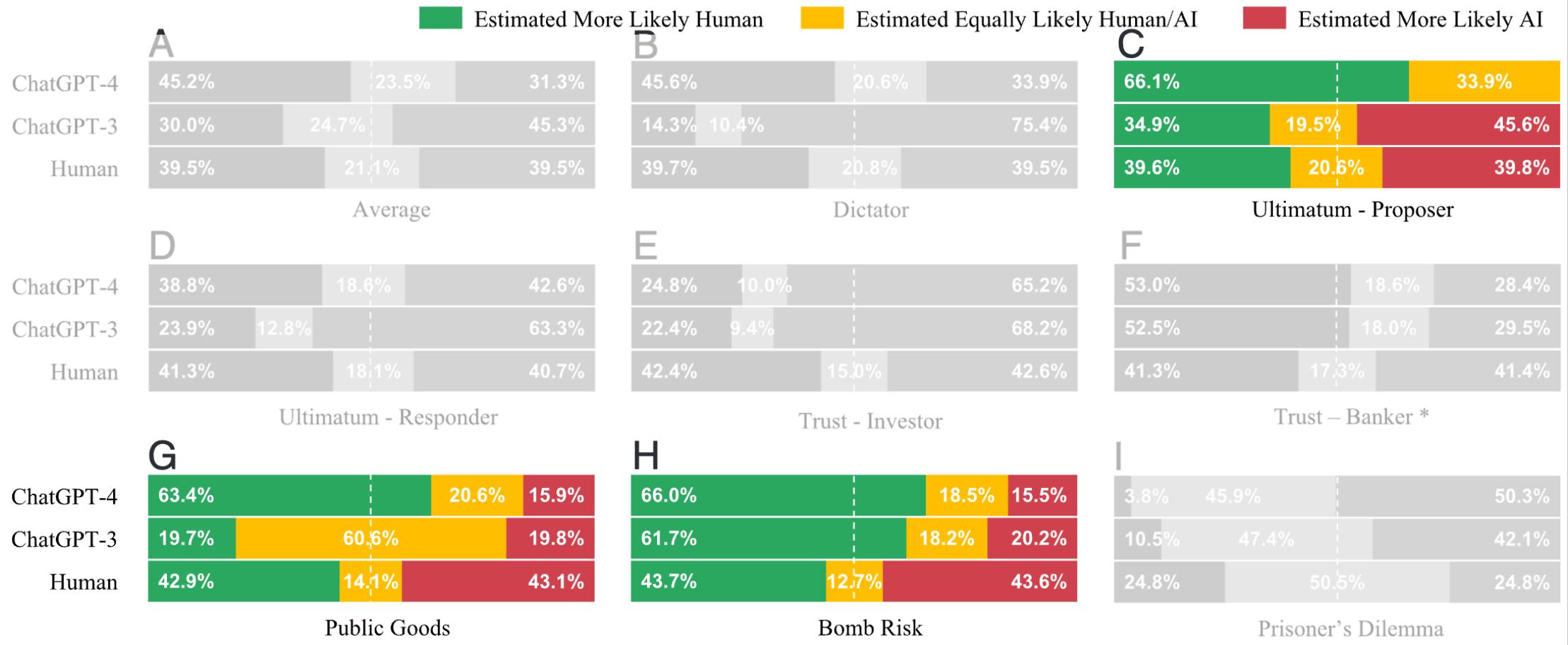
Turing Test Results



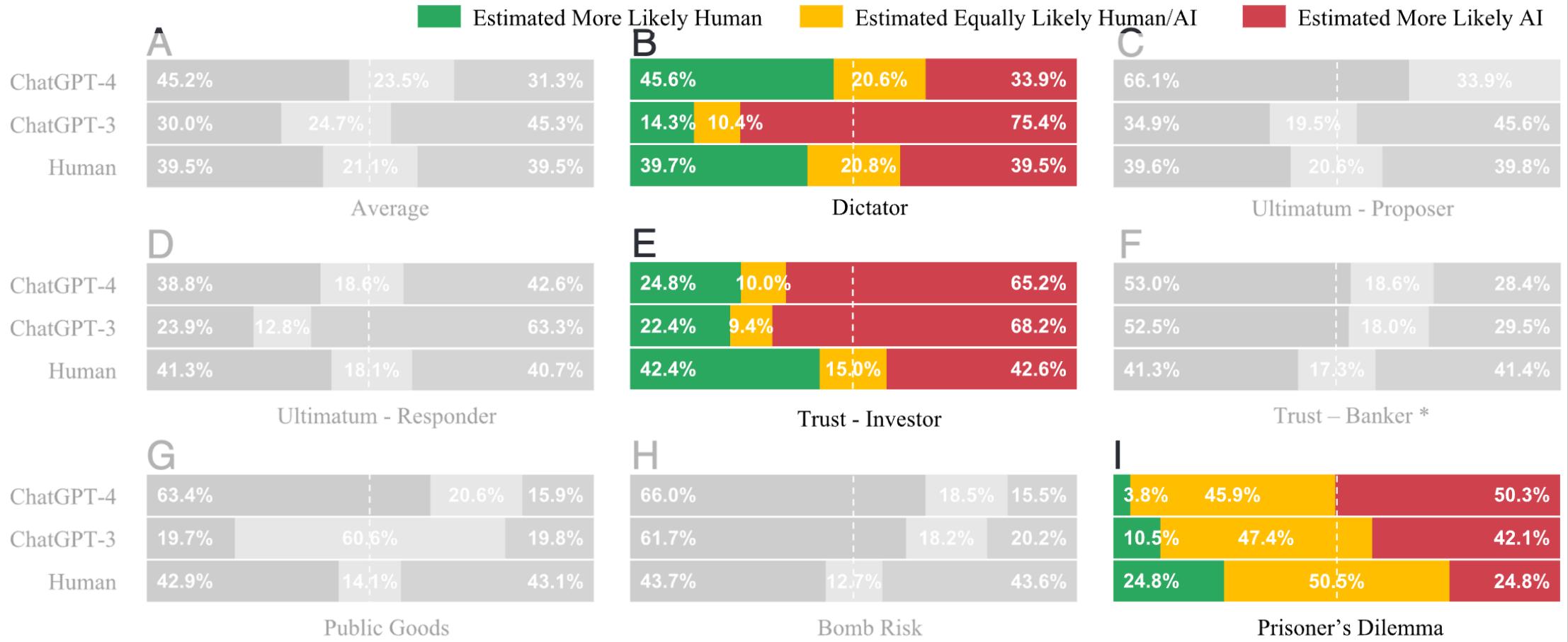
AI and Human Behavior Are Very Similar!



Sometimes, “More Human than Human”



What Are the “Failure” Cases?

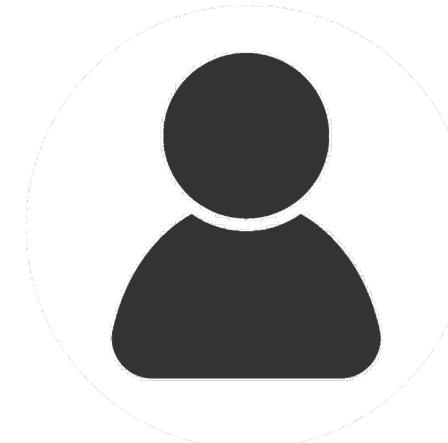


Dictator Game

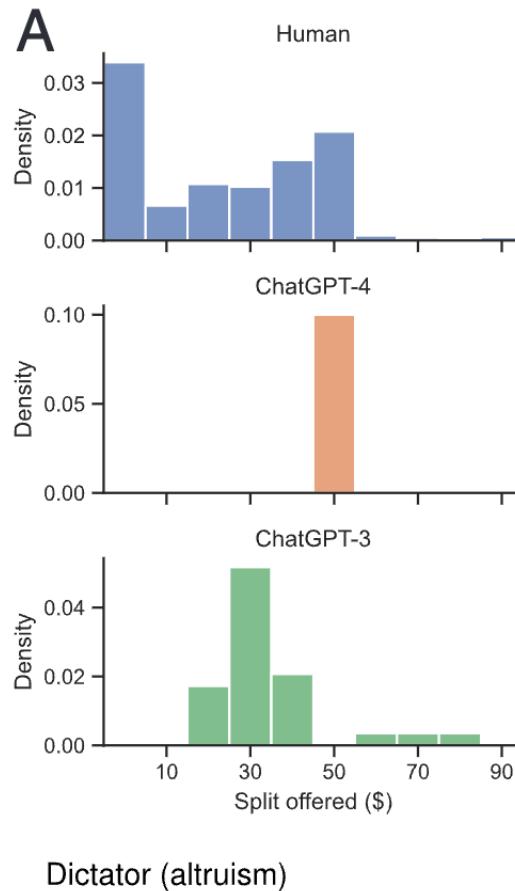
I offer you \$0.



Dictator



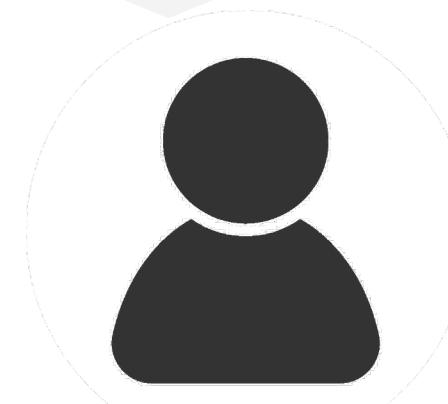
Dictator Game – Altruism



- AI behaviors are **more concentrated**
- ChatGPTs are **more altruistic**
- ChatGPT-4 emphasizes **fairness** (explanations)

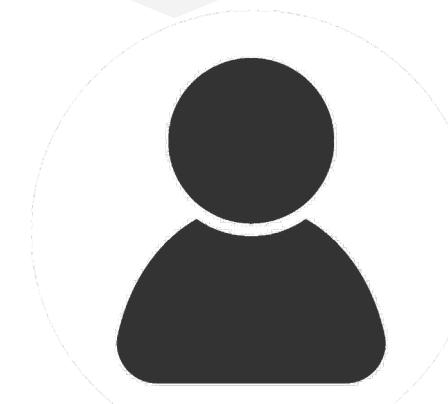
Ultimatum Game

I offer you \$50.



Proposer

I accept at least \$40.
So deal.

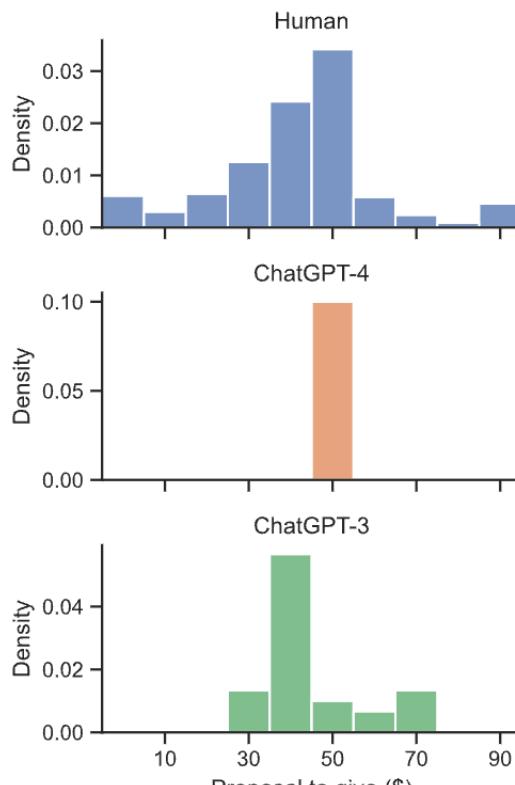


Responder

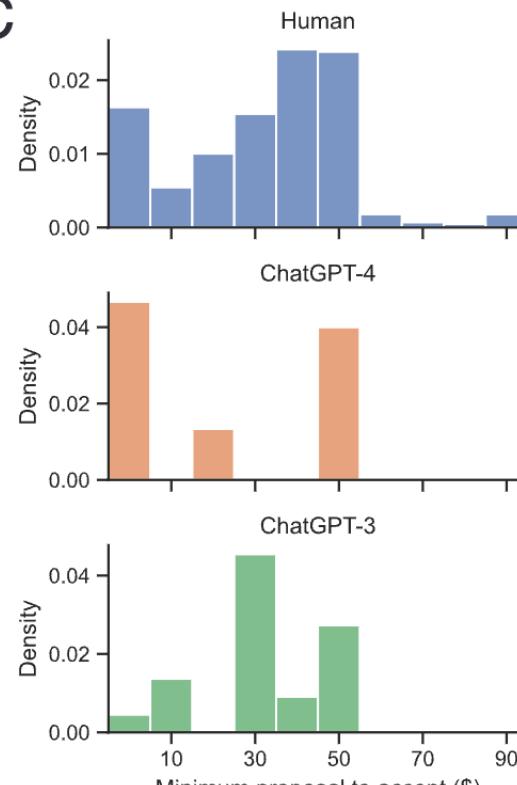
Ultimatum Game – Fairness



B



C

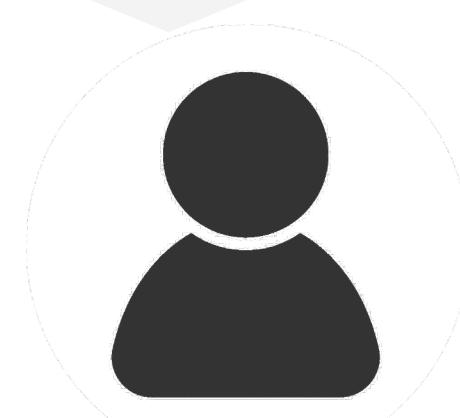


Ultimatum - Proposer (fairness)

- ChatGPT-4 emphasizes **fairness** (as the proposer)
- ChatGPT-3 acts **fairly** (offer \$40 and accept \$30)
- ChatGPT-4 acts **rationally** (\$1)

Trust Game

I invest \$50.



Investor

The profit is \$100.
I return you \$120.

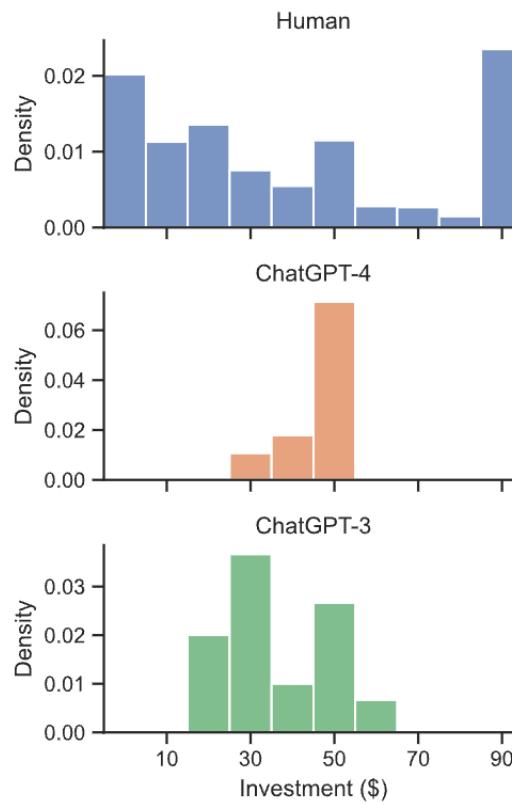


Banker

Trust – Fairness, Altruism, Reciprocity

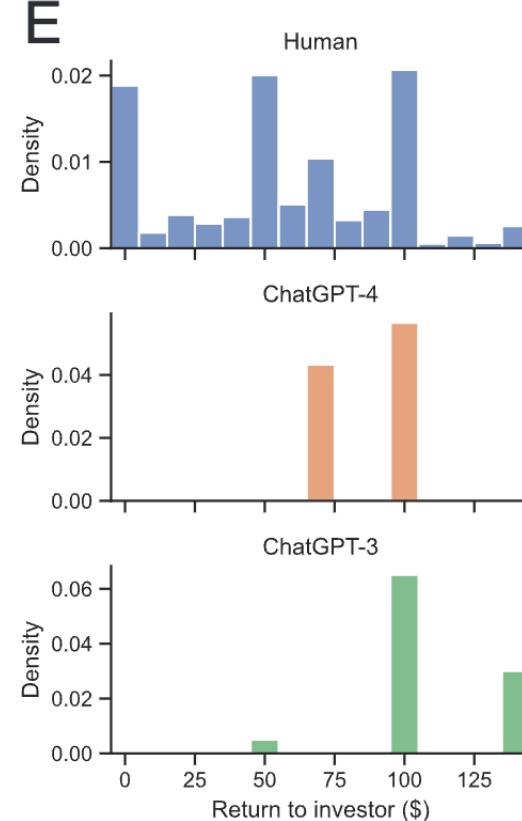


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Trust - as Investor (trust)

E



Trust - as Banker (fairness, altruism, reciprocity) Assume \$50 was invested

- ChatGPT-4 displays more **trust** in the banker than ChatGPT-3
- ChatGPTs show **more fairness**
- ChatGPT-3 is **more altruistic**

Bomb Risk – Risk Aversion



booby trap 

99 boxes contain \$1.00
1 box contains a bomb.

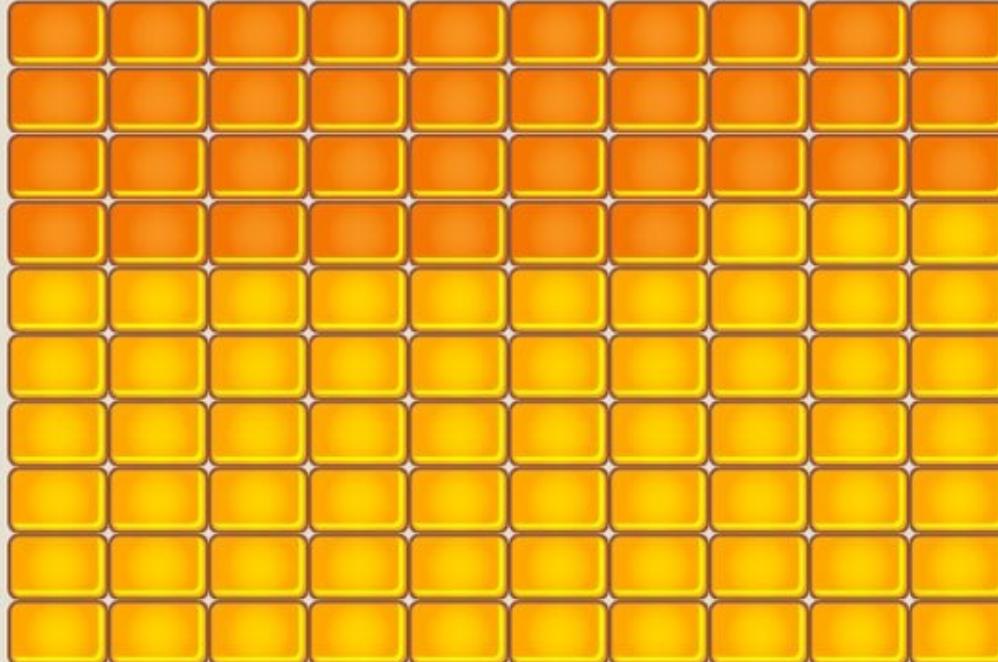
You earn a dollar for every box opened. But if you open the box with the bomb, you'll earn zero.

How Many Boxes Will You Open?

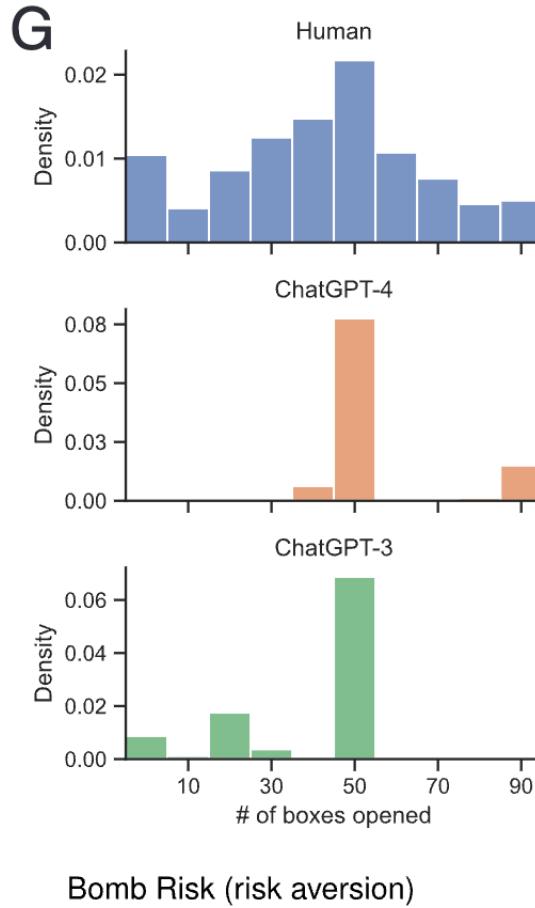
0  100

Potential Payoff: \$37

Select

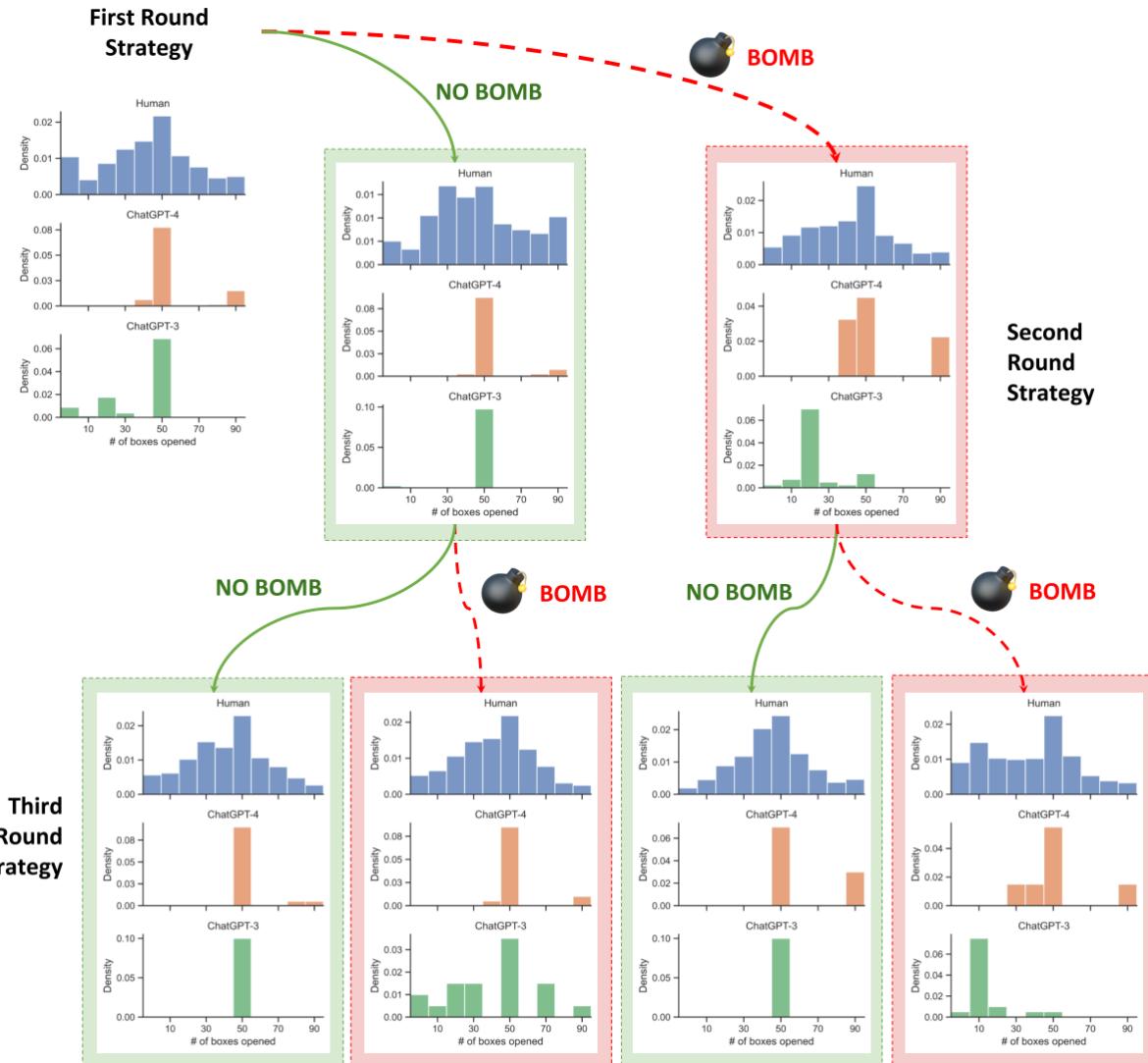


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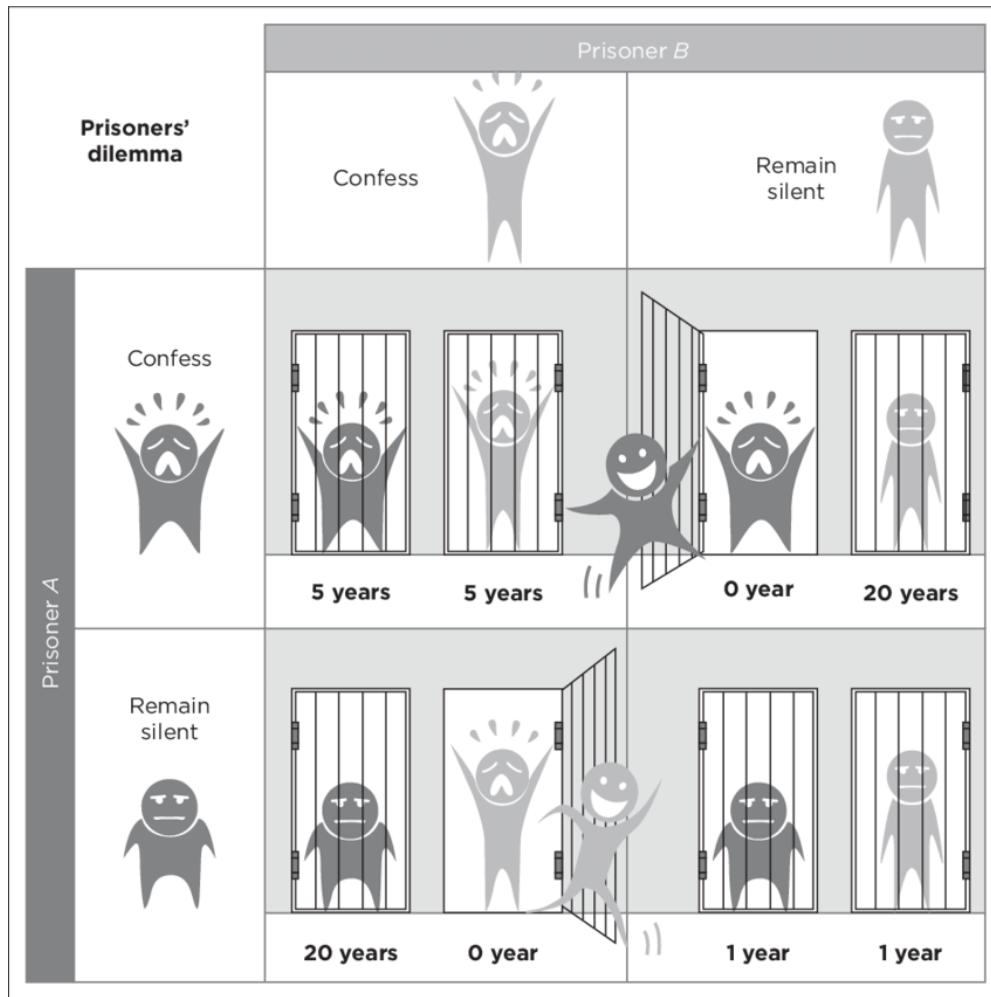
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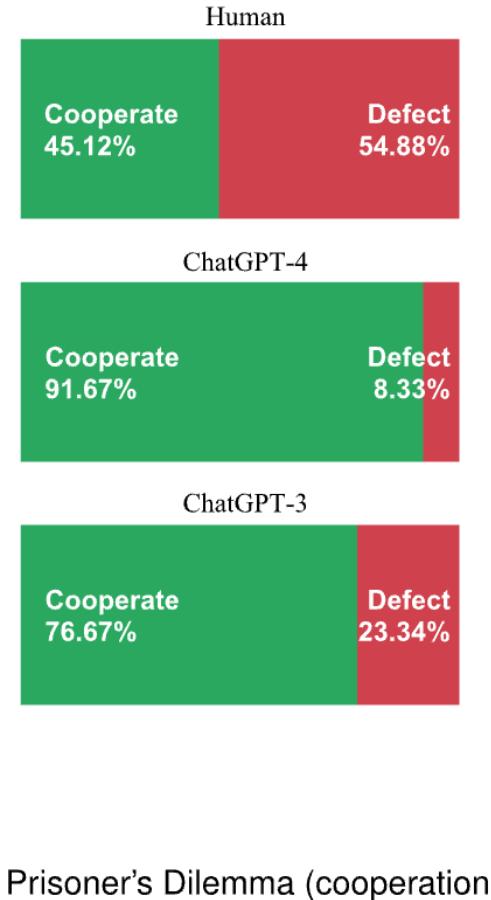
- ChatGPTs act **rationally** initially, meaning **neural risk preference**
- Failures increase **risk aversion**; While success resets the tendency
- A small fraction of ChatGPT-4 instances are “**risk lovers**”

Prisoner's Dilemma

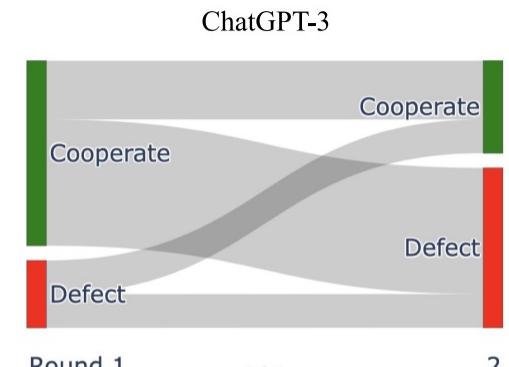
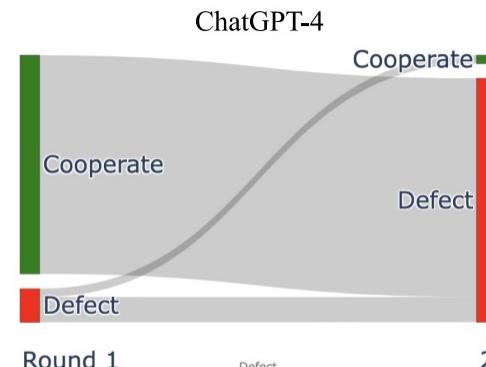
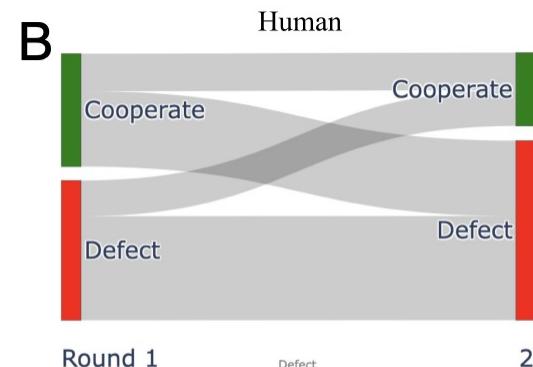


		Player B	
		Defect	Cooperate
Player A	Def	\$300, \$300	\$700, \$0
	Coo	\$0, \$700	\$400, \$400

Prisoner's Dilemma – Cooperation



- ChatGPTs are **more cooperative** than humans
- ChatGPTs show “**tit-for-tat**” patterns



The other player defects.

Risk neutral

More
cooperative

Emphasis on
Fairness

A way to quantify? 🤔

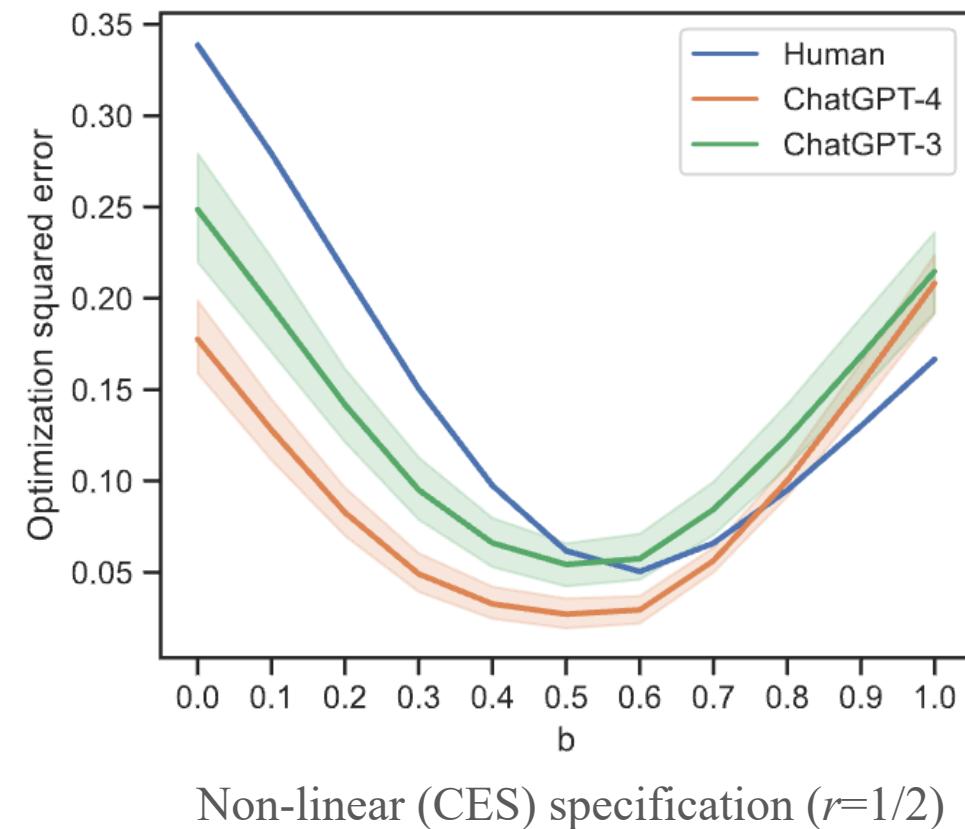
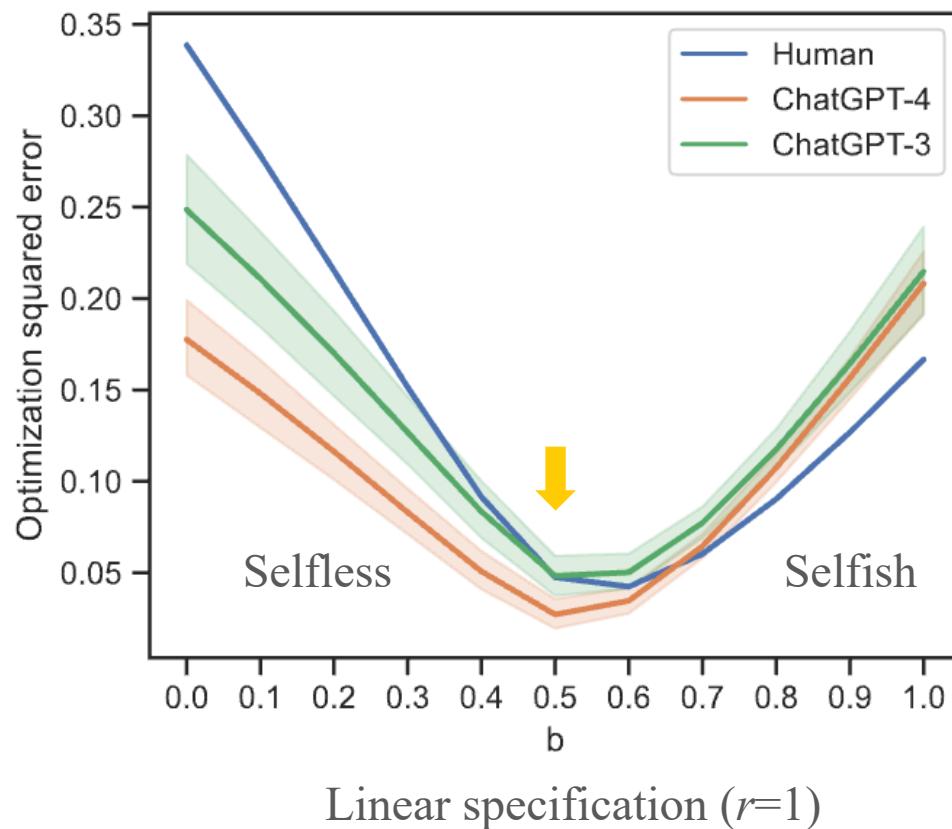
More trust

More
altruistic

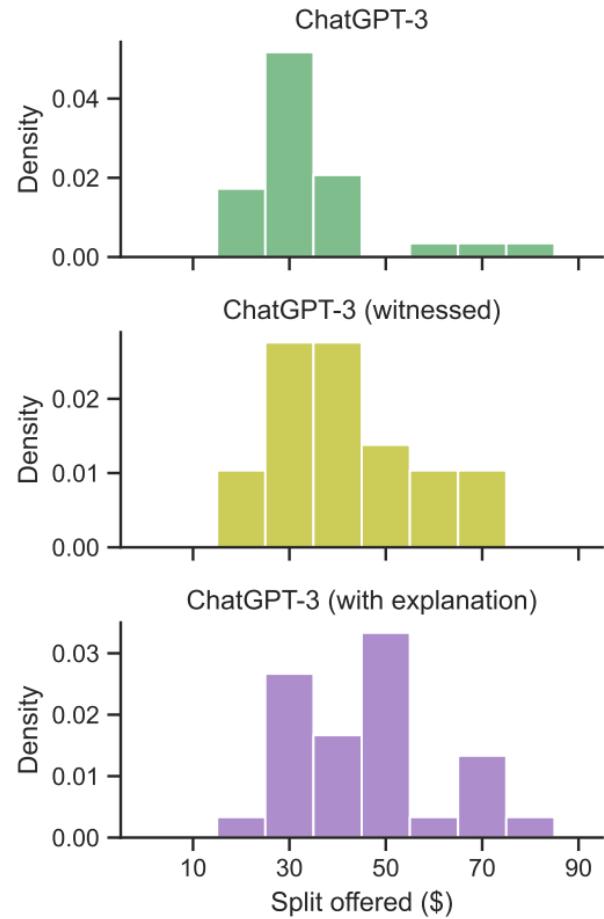
More rational

Revealing the Preferences/Objectives

$$U_b = [b \cdot S^r + (1 - b) \cdot P^r]^{(1/r)}$$

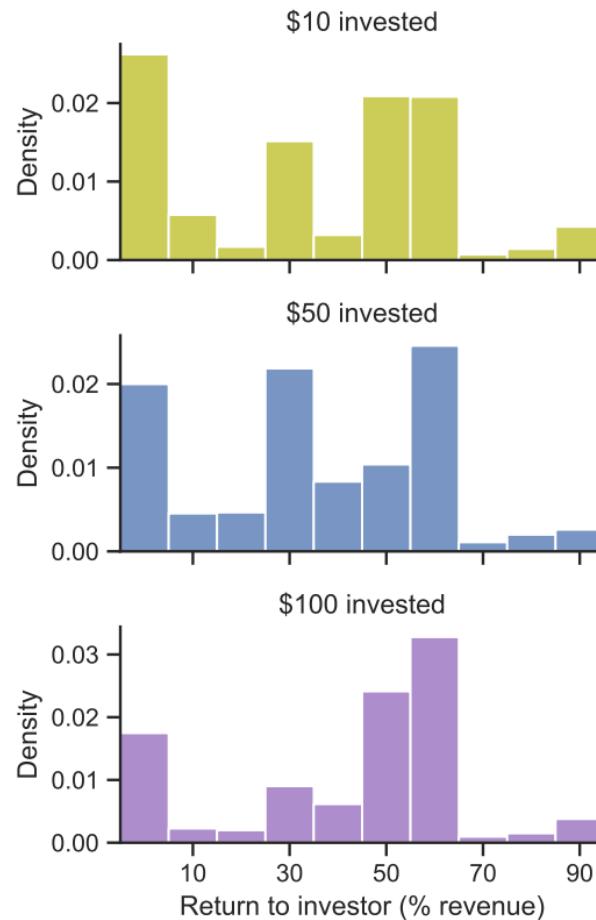


Framing and Context

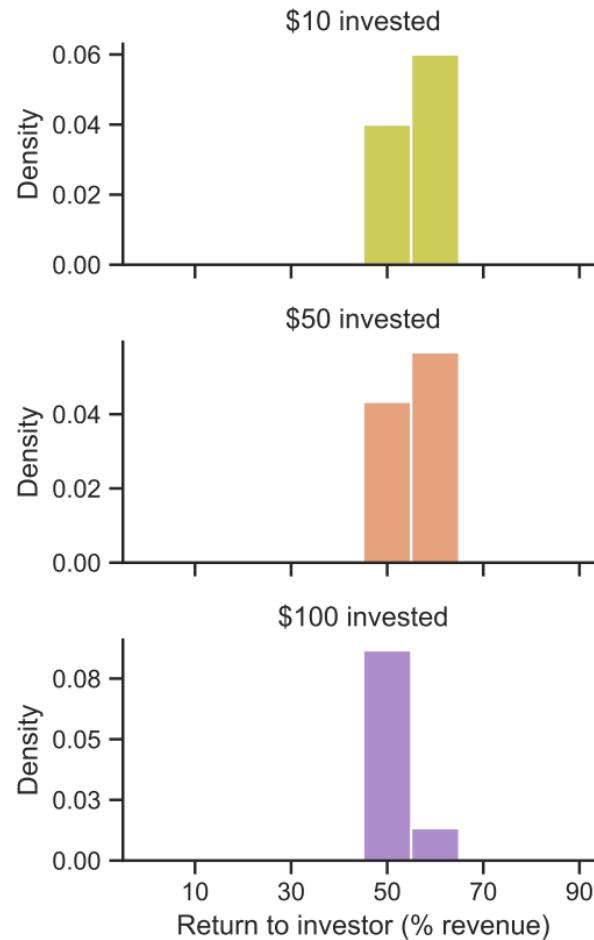


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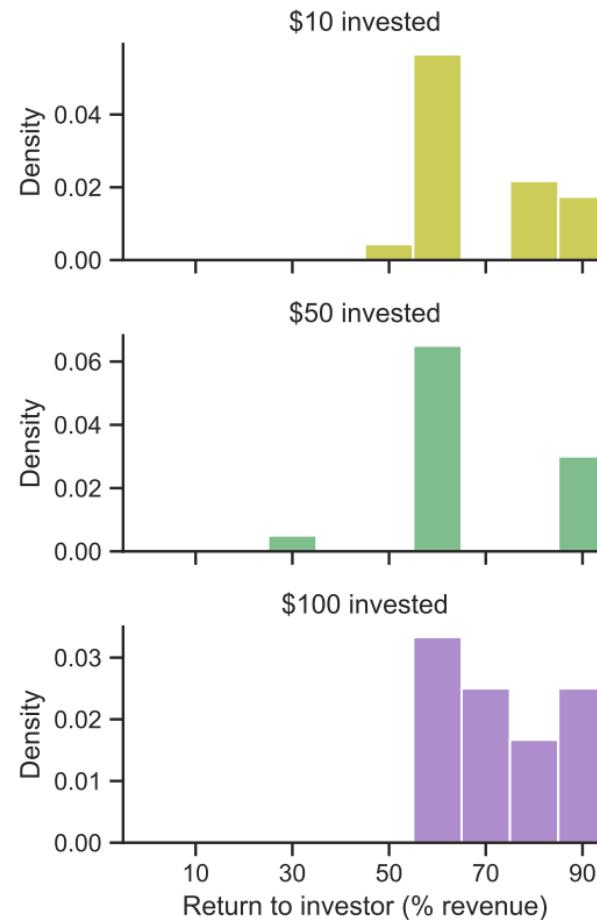
Framing and Context



(d) Trust - Banker's strategy given different investment sizes (human)

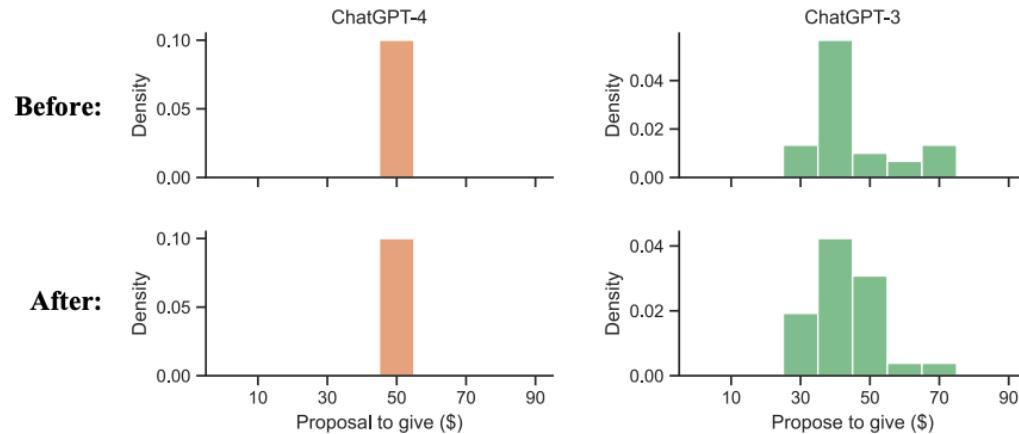


(e) Trust - Banker's strategy given different investment sizes (ChatGPT-4)

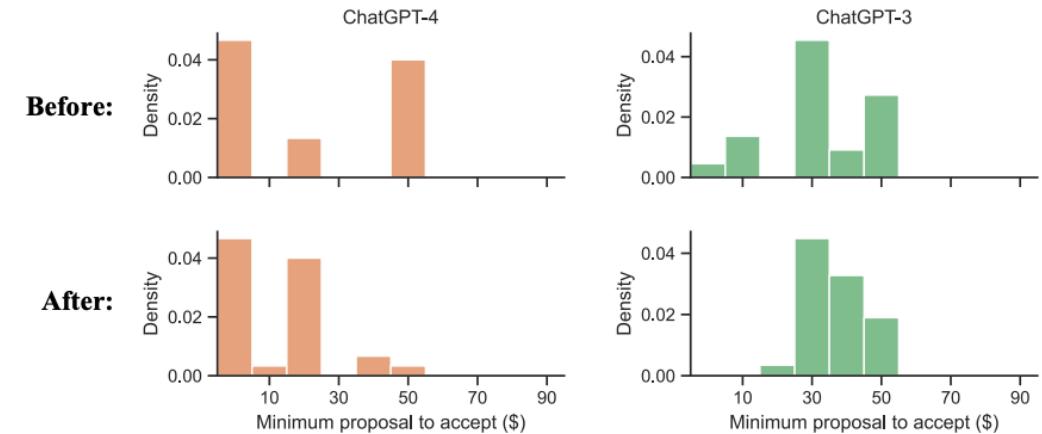


(f) Trust - Banker's strategy given different investment sizes (ChatGPT-3)

Learning from Experiences



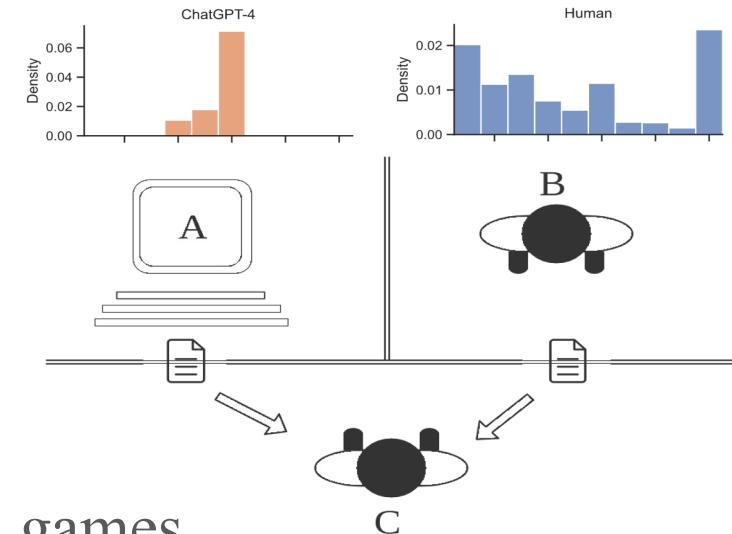
(a) Ultimatum: AI strategy as proposer before and after being responder.



(b) Ultimatum: AI strategy as responder before and after being proposer.

Take-Home Messages

- A **framework to systematically test AI behaviors**
 - OCEAN Big Five personality test + 6 classic behavioral games
- A simulated **Turing test** that compares human and AI behaviors
- AI and human behaviors are **remarkably similar!** (concentrated)
- When AI deviates from humans: **more altruistic and cooperative**
- Quantitatively revealed the preferences/objectives
- Steerability: framing, context, learning



We're not closing the problem!

- **Certain economic games:** 6 classic games
- **Certain language models:** OpenAI GPTs, snapshots from Mar 2023

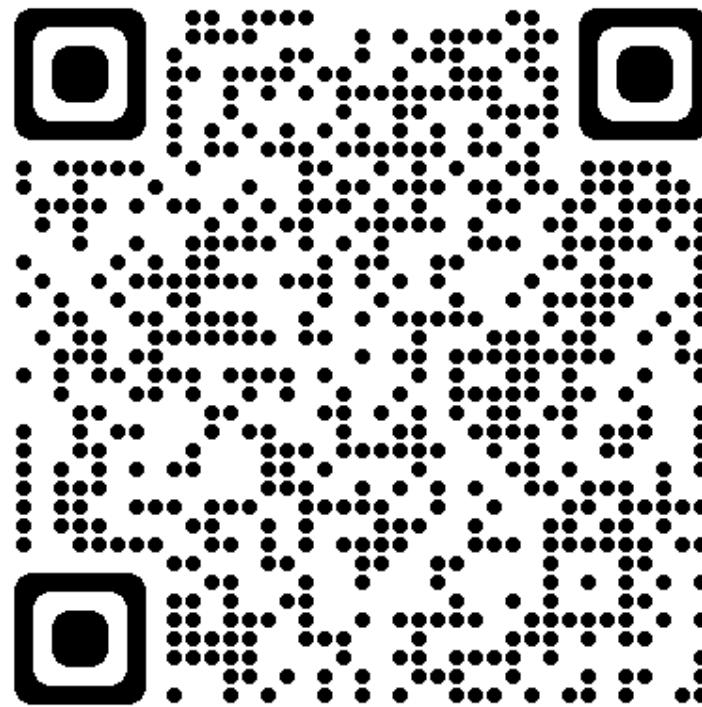
Opening more research opportunities!

- Personality test / behavioral games specifically designed for AI
- Turing test in other contexts under different assumptions
- Aligning AI to humans (objectives, diversity) ...

AI Behavioral Science [Workshop *@KDD'24*]

- Do AIs have personalities? 
- How to describe the patterns of AI behaviors? 
- How to quantify the similarity between AI and humans behaviorally? 
- How to conceal the objectives of AI and align them with the distribution of human objectives? 
- How to model and optimize human-AI collaboration?
- What are the unique challenges in AI behavioral studies (e.g., sensitivity in prompting)? What is the key difference between AI behavioral science and human behavioral science? Do we need to design new experiment methodologies and measurements tailored for AI?
- What could be the potential applications (e.g., AI agents)?

Thanks for listening!



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