

Data cooperatives and the wide dispersal of data power

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Data cooperatives could change the competition landscape, promoting the wide dispersal of data assets, making these assets available to smaller actors. By invoking the concept of *pre-distribution* and the philosopher's John Rawls's ideal of a property owning democracy I shall argue that in an ideal world this may mitigate opportunity inequalities in society and in the economy. My presentation covers 1) the political principles supporting data cooperatives; 2) some unsolved challenges and problems of the data cooperative model