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Generative AI in the classroom: Can students remain active learners?



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BACKGROUND

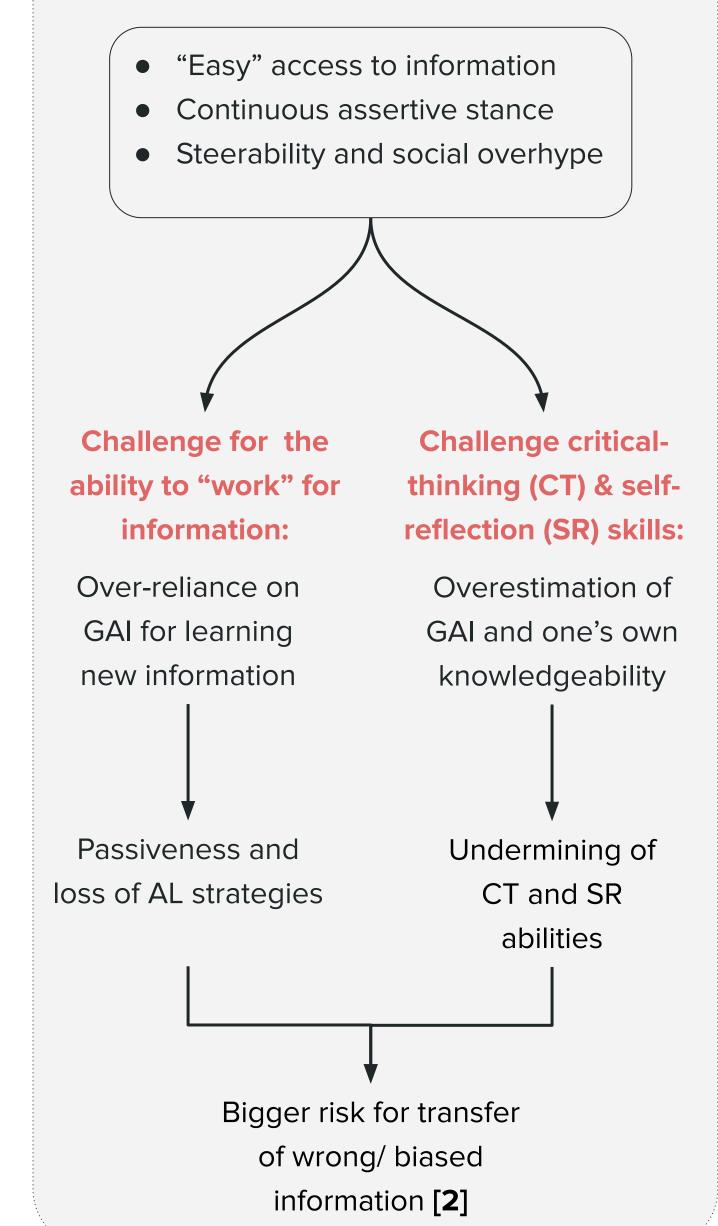
Active learning (AL) is important for positive learning experiences and outcomes. Generative Artificial Intelligence (GAI) brings both opportunities and challenges for AL [1]. It can:

- Enhance AL by: providing personalized, interactive and empowering pedagogical sequences.
- Compromise AL by: leading to over-estimation of one's own competencies, confirmation of inadequate beliefs, passiveness, impaired curiosity and critical-thinking

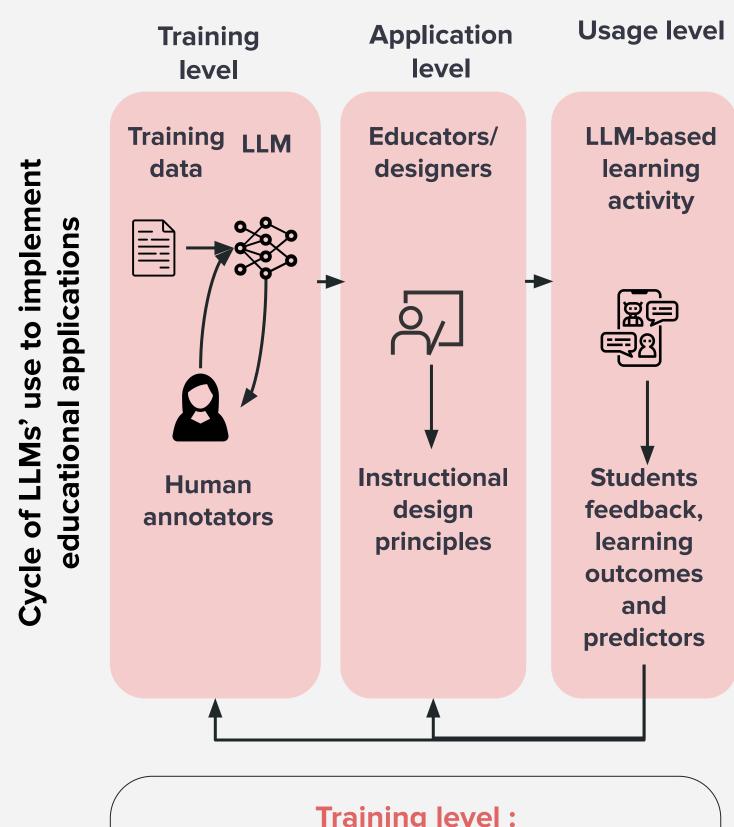
GAI tools can lead to negative impacts on AL because they lack (or have unclear) pedagogical stance in their behaviors.

GAI CHALLENGES ACTIVE **LEARNING**

Some properties surrounding the use of GAI:



PEDAGOGICAL GROUNDING **OPPORTUNITIES**



Training level:

- * Training data contains explicit educational principles.
- * Human annotators with educational background for fine-tuning, ...

Application level:

Controlling the types of interactions to be allowed for use (e.g. by educators/ EdTech designers).

Usage level:

Training the skills that allow students and teachers to have an informed use, analysis and interpretation of GAI.

ROLE OF GAI LITERACY

for pedagogical

Opportunities

alignment

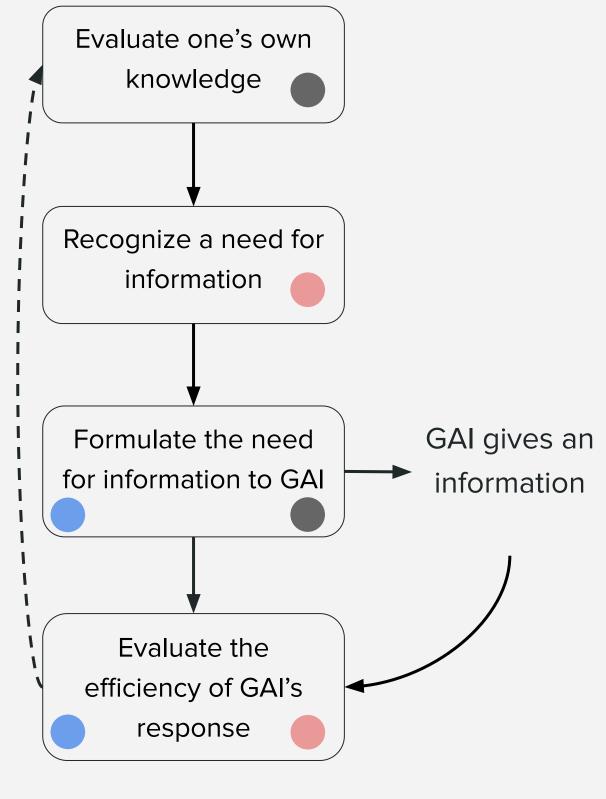
Students and teachers should have access to appropriate knowledge and training that helps them:



ROLE OF METACOGNITIVE (MC) TRAINING

GAI literacy training may not be sufficient for promoting AL with GAI and its relevant skills. Some MC-related skills are also needed [3]:

Active knowledge-acquisition cycle with GAI:



- Need for MC monitoring skills
- Need for MC evaluative skills
- Need for GAI literacy skills

DISCUSSION

- Using GAI in the classrooms still raises questions for AL, mainly because of the lack (or unclarity) of a pedagogical stance.
- Using GAI to promote AL requires effort from all stakeholders: Al and EdTech communities, educational psychologists and educators.

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