1 Administrivia

Announcements

Assignment

Presentations begin next week. First up: Eli, Jordan.

From Last Time

Work and Wealth

Coming Up

Presentations.

2 Chapter Summary

1. Strongly differentiated professions.

   (a) Exceptions to ordinary morality by virtue of profession, not position.
(b) Role of efficacy.

2. Characteristics of a profession.

(a) Mastery of an esoteric body of knowledge.

(b) Autonomy, at personal and profession levels.

(c) Formal Organization. Sets standards; controls admission.

(d) Code of ethics.

(e) Social function.

3. Professional relationships:

(a) Employer-Employee.

(b) Client-Professional.

(c) Society-Professional.

(d) Professional-Professional.

4. Codes of ethics.

3 Discussion Questions

1. Should computing be a profession?

2. What about software engineering?

3. What about other sub-disciplines of computing?

4. Some thorny technical ethics cases:

   (a) Challenger and Columbia disasters.
(b) Therac-25 disaster.

(c) e-Voting.

(d) RFID technology.