202\_30 HSV Predpol Questions

**CBS News: LAPD Tries to predict crime through data analysis** (9:51)

1. Watch the video and take notes on the following aspects:

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| 00:00 – 01:12 | … what PredPol basically is about. |
|  | * *police system that uses data to predict crime*
* *prediction by an algorithm:*
* *officers are briefed which zones to watch*
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| 01:12 – 02:23 | … how PredPol works. |
|  | * *the computer prints out small areas/boxes that are in danger*
* *automatic information from the algorithm*
* *analyzes crime reports from past years*
* *crime follows a pattern*
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| 02:24 – 03:27 | … why PredPol is useful for the police in general? |
|  | * *they know where to go (PredPol boxes)*
* *they have a good chance to find crime in progress*
* *they send resources where they can do good*
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| 03:28 – 03:59 | --- what Sarah Brayne, says about the program? |
|  | * *too early to say that it works*
* *it has the potential to be efficient*
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| 04:00 - 05:14 | … how predicting WHO will commit crimes works. |
|  | * *scoring system (1-5 points according to your past behavior)*
* *list of “chronic offender master list”*
* *they get a letter to change their ways and find a way out*
* *community service*
* *they are checked regularly*
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| 05:14 – 05:54 | … how Sarah Brayne and the presenter describe the problem about chronic offenders in the community. |
|  | * *the more the police talks to them / stops them, the more points they will gather 🡪 cycle*
* *data might become dangerous like guns*
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| 05:55 – 07:04 | … Baldwin Village and the case of Anthony Robles. |
|  | * *people ended up on that list without being gang members*
* *A.R was frequently stopped by the police*
* *he realized it was because they thought he was part of a gang*
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| 07:05 – 07:49 | … how the community group and Jamie Garcia describe the dangers in predictive policing. |
|  | * *trying to mask policing 🡪 impacting the black and brown communities*
* *almost all on the list belong to minorities*
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| 07:49 – 08:15 | … on the police officer’s answer to this (in short). |
|  | *they are doing what they have to do when they have information about risks* |
| 08:16 – 09:18 | Summarize what Sarah Brayne finally states |
|  | * *Technology that collects data on anyone is moving faster than the law*
* *it’s legal and regulatory “Wild West”*
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[Final 30 seconds on the situation in Canada and Vancouver.]

Do you think this is a way to reduce the number of crimes committed in residential areas? Think of reasons for your answer.