Engineering Codes: Ethics or Law?

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Chunking Exercise

So far we've seen

- Aristolian statements of virtue,
- (mandate to use) pluralistic utilitarian selection,
- rules with all the characteristics to be law.

To this we can add a fourth category:

rules that don't measure up as full laws.

Go through the DAPE Code of Ethics, and classify each rule into the one of these that best fits it. Some might be fuzzy, so just pick one and move on. One or two might fit into more than one: mark them as such. There won't be any calling for pluralistic utilitarianism, so look for rules that could be expressed as a mandate to use an ethical decision process, put those into this chunk. (Hint: the word judgment appears only twice in the code, and in one of those it is affected and not effecting.)