

## **Trends**

[Blog] Mixture of Experts Explained

The article delves into the rising prominence of Mixture of Experts (MoEs) in AI model architectures, highlighted by Mixtral 8x7B's introduction. It meticulously explores MoEs' structural and training intricacies, emphasizing their enhanced speed in both learning and performing tasks relative to traditional dense models. However, it also acknowledges the complexities and increased resource requirements associated with these models. The discourse suggests that MoEs' ascendancy in AI could mark a significant shift in computational efficiency and model sophistication, albeit with considerations of operational challenges.

[Paper] Scalable Extraction of Training Data from (Production) Language Models

This paper investigates the phenomenon of extractable memorization in machine learning models. It demonstrates that adversaries can efficiently retrieve substantial amounts of training data from various language models, including open-source (e.g., Pythia, GPT-Neo), semi-open (e.g., LLaMA, Falcon), and closed models (e.g., ChatGPT). The study highlights a novel "divergence attack" method, particularly effective against ChatGPT, leading to a significantly higher rate of data extraction. These findings challenge the effectiveness of current alignment techniques in preventing data memorization in language models.



• [Paper] GHOSTBUSTER: Detecting Text Ghostwritten by Large Language Models

Researchers at Berkeley have developed Ghostbuster, an innovative system for detecting Al-generated text. By integrating less powerful language models with a classifier trained on specialized feature combinations, Ghostbuster effectively identifies content from unidentified or hidden Al models. The study contributes new datasets for benchmarking across various writing domains, showcasing Ghostbuster's superior performance in

generalization and its robustness against different perturbations and paraphrasing attacks, outshining established detectors like DetectGPT and GPTZero.

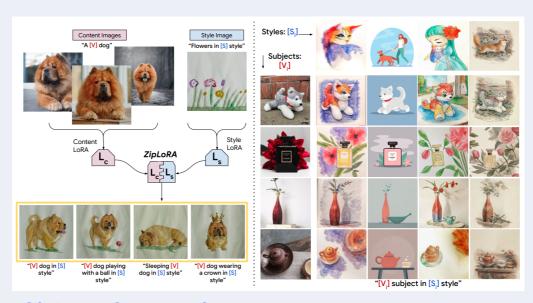
### State Of The Art

• [Technical report] Gemini: A Family of Highly Capable Multimodal Models

Google's researchers have released a technical report on Gemini, a series of advanced multimodal models skilled in interpreting images, audio, video, and text. The Gemini lineup, which includes the Ultra, Pro, and Nano models, is tailored for a broad spectrum of uses, ranging from complex analytical tasks to operations in memory-restricted settings. Notably, the flagship Gemini Ultra model excels in the majority of its benchmark evaluations, achieving human-level performance on the MMLU exam and elevating standards in multimodal benchmarks. Additionally, the report delves into the versatile applications and ethical deployment of the Gemini models in various practical scenarios.

[Paper] ZipLoRA: Any Subject in Any Style by Effectively Merging LoRAs

ZipLoRA introduces a method for merging independently trained style and subject Low-Rank Adaptations (LoRAs), enabling the generation of any given subject in any chosen style. This approach effectively addresses the challenge of maintaining both subject and style fidelity, outperforming existing techniques in creating compelling results across diverse subject-style combinations.



• [Paper] PaSS: Parallel Speculative Sampling

"PaSS: Parallel Speculative Sampling" presents a new approach to enhance the efficiency of large language models. It addresses the bottleneck of memory access during token generation by introducing parallel decoding, which allows drafting multiple tokens simultaneously without the need for an additional model. This method shows up to 30% speed-up in performance and requires only a minimal increase in parameters, offering a promising solution to the challenges posed by the increasing size of language models.

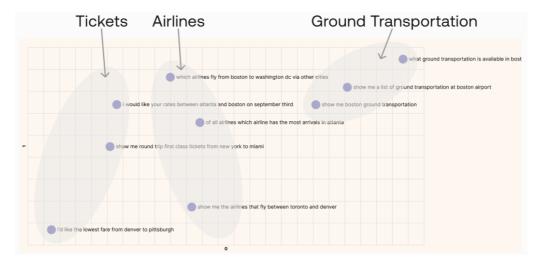
# **Miscellaneous**

### [Blog] LLM Visualization

The blog offers an in-depth exploration of the architectures of advanced Large Language Models like GPT-2 and GPT-3. It employs detailed visualizations to elucidate how these models handle and interpret inputs, providing a clear and comprehensive understanding of their complex internal processes.

### • [Blog] Text Embeddings Visually Explained

Cohere's blog post focuses on text embeddings within large language models, detailing their role in converting unstructured text to structured data for diverse applications like search engines and content moderation. Through visual depictions, it explores the practical applications of embeddings, their customization via finetuning, and provides illustrative examples. The post emphasizes the utility of embeddings in semantic search, clustering, and classification, and discusses the advantages of finetuning models for tailored tasks.



### [Conference talk] Personalization at Uber scale via causal-driven machine learning

The talk details integrating causality into machine learning models for Uber's checkout and onboarding, enhancing key business metrics. It discusses case studies where experimental data and machine learning were merged for user personalization, sharing insights to encourage causality in machine learning solutions. The talk also introduces CausalML, Uber's open-source Python package, as a tool for transitioning from correlation to causality in machine learning.

### [Blog] Adversarial Attacks on LLMs

In her blog, Lilian, who leads an AI Safety team at OpenAI, delves into the complexities of adversarial attacks on large language models like ChatGPT. She outlines the unique challenges presented by the discrete nature of text data and the absence of gradient signals, contrasting these with image-based adversarial attacks. Her discussion also covers related areas such as controlling text generation, while specifically avoiding topics like extracting pre-training data or data poisoning in model training.

 [Paper] Can Generalist Foundation Models Outcompete Special-Purpose Tuning? Case Study in Medicine

Microsoft researchers' study demonstrates that generalist models like GPT-4, through prompt engineering, can excel in domain-specific tasks such as medicine without specialized training. Their development, Medprompt, significantly enhances GPT-4's medical question-answering performance, achieving superior results across medical benchmarks and showcasing its broad domain adaptability. The results indicate a notable reduction in error rates, emphasizing the potential of generalist models in specialized areas.

**Question**: A 22-year-old male marathon runner presents to the office with the complaint of right-sided rib pain when he runs long distances. Physical examination reveals normal heart and lung findings and an exhalation dysfunction at ribs 4-5 on the right. Which of the following muscles or muscle groups will be most useful in correcting this dysfunction utilizing a direct method?

(A) anterior scalene (B) latissimus dorsi (C) pectoralis minor (D) quadratus lumborum

#### Hand-crafted CoT from Med PaLM 2



Let's solve this step-bystep, referring to authoritative sources as needed. Among the options, only pectoralis minor muscle origins from the outer surfaces of the 3rd to 5th ribs.

#### GPT-4 generated CoT



GPT-4

The primary muscle involved in rib exhalation is the internal intercostal muscle. However, this option is not listed among the answer choices. Among the provided options, the pectoralis minor can contribute to rib movement, as it originates from the 3rd-5th ribs and can act to depress the ribs during exhalation when the scapula is fixed. Therefore, it could potentially be useful in correcting an exhalation dysfunction at ribs 4-5.

• [Blog] Meta Learning for foundation models and Genetic algorithms based improvements

The blog highlights the increasing reliance on large foundation models in AI, like BERT, and the challenges in their effective training. It introduces Meta-Learning as a promising solution for enhancing model performance, particularly in data-scarce fields like oncology, and suggests evolutionary algorithms as a cost-effective approach to improve Meta-Learning's adaptability and long-term fitness.

• [Package] Marker

Marker efficiently converts PDF, EPUB, and MOBI files to markdown, offering enhanced speed and accuracy over similar tools like Nougat. It supports a variety of documents, especially academic texts, and features capabilities like artifact removal, LaTeX equation conversion, and multi-language support. Utilizing a deep learning pipeline for tasks like OCR and layout detection, Marker minimizes hallucination risks by restricting extensive forward passes to only equation blocks.

# **Latest Releases**

[Major Release] Keras 3.0

Keras 3.0 introduces a major update with multi-framework support, allowing workflows on JAX, TensorFlow, or PyTorch, and enabling seamless switching between them. This version enhances model performance, facilitates large-scale model training and deployment, and provides a new distribution API for JAX. Additionally, Keras 3 supports extensive pretrained models and is compatible with diverse data pipelines, catering to a broad range of machine learning workflows.

• [Minor Release] Transformers 4.36.0

Transformers 4.36.0 introduces notable updates, including Mixtral, a model with advanced capabilities akin to ChatGPT, and Llava/BakLlava, multi-modal LLMs optimized for interactive tasks. The release also features SeamlessM4T v2 for enhanced multilingual translation, along with significant improvements like AMD ROCm support and PyTorch's efficient attention computation.

## **Events**

• [Conference] NeurIPS 2023

NeurIPS 2023, currently underway at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans, runs from December 10th to 16th. The conference, now in its main session phase, includes tutorials and presentations until December 14th, followed by workshops and competitions on December 15th and 16th. Both in-person and virtual attendance options are available for this premier event in neural information processing systems.

Thank you for your engagement. We eagerly anticipate sharing further advancements in AI with vou.