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Risiken und Chancen von Generativer KI - Nutzung von Prompt Engineering für innovative Geschäftsmodelle

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KEY TAKEAWAYS

- 01 GenAI is **here to stay** and changing our (work) life – whether we like it or not
- 02 GenAI as a **co-pilot** or collaborator can **augment human capabilities** in processes and workflows
- 03 **Prompt Engineering** is the key to master GenAI and will be an even more **important skill** in the future

Who am I?

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Mellon
University



EPFL



Introduction



2023 – today: Tenure-Tracked Assistant Professor for Digital Technology Management and lead of the “Human-Centered AI-based Systems (HAIS) Lab” at Bern University of Applied Sciences, Bern, Switzerland.

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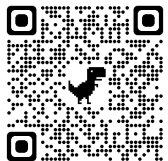
2018-2022: Research Associate and Ph.D. Student in Information Systems with Prof. Dr. Jan Marco Leimeister, University of St.Gallen (HSG), Switzerland.

2021- 2022: Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) Scholar at Human-Computer Interaction Institute (HCII), Carnegie Mellon University with Kenneth Koedinger and at the Natural Language and Information Processing Research Group, Cambridge University with Paula Buttery

Research Output: Publications in leading international outlets in **Human-Computer Interaction** (e.g., CHI20, CHI21, CHI22), **Natural Language Processing** (e.g., ACL21, ACL22, COLING22), and **Educational Technology** (e.g., ICIS21, ICIS22, C&E22). Received several awards, such as the **Delina Learntec Award 2021**, the **Best Theory Paper First Runner-Up Award at ICIS20**, **two ACM CHI Honorable Mention Awards (CHI20, CHI21)** and listed among the **top 100 in the Wirtschaftswoche (WIWO) research ranking** of all business administration and management researchers under the age of 40 in the German-speaking countries.

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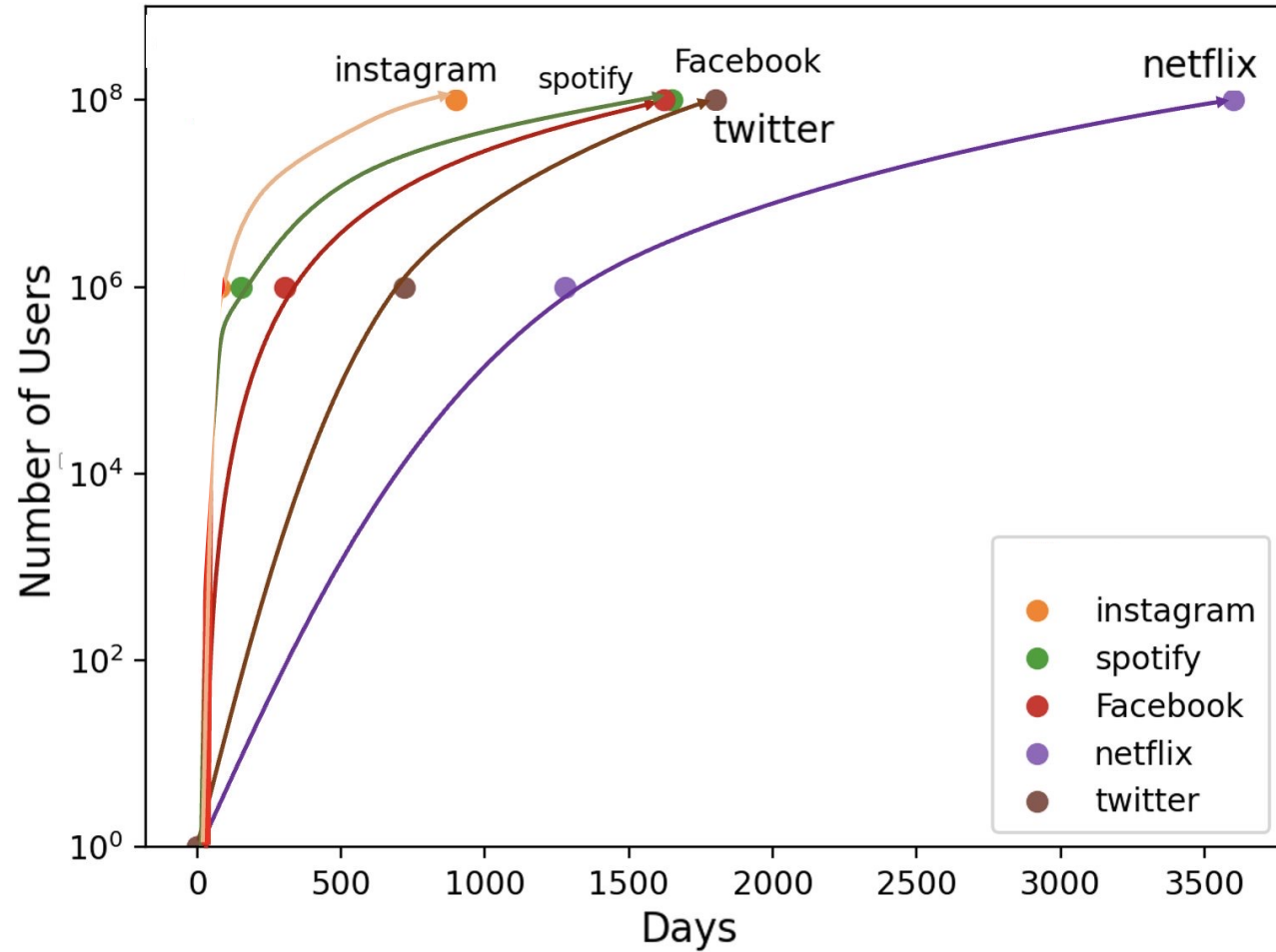


Today's Agenda

1. Introduction to Gen AI
2. Prompt Engineering and Potentials for Businesses
3. Challenges and Risks

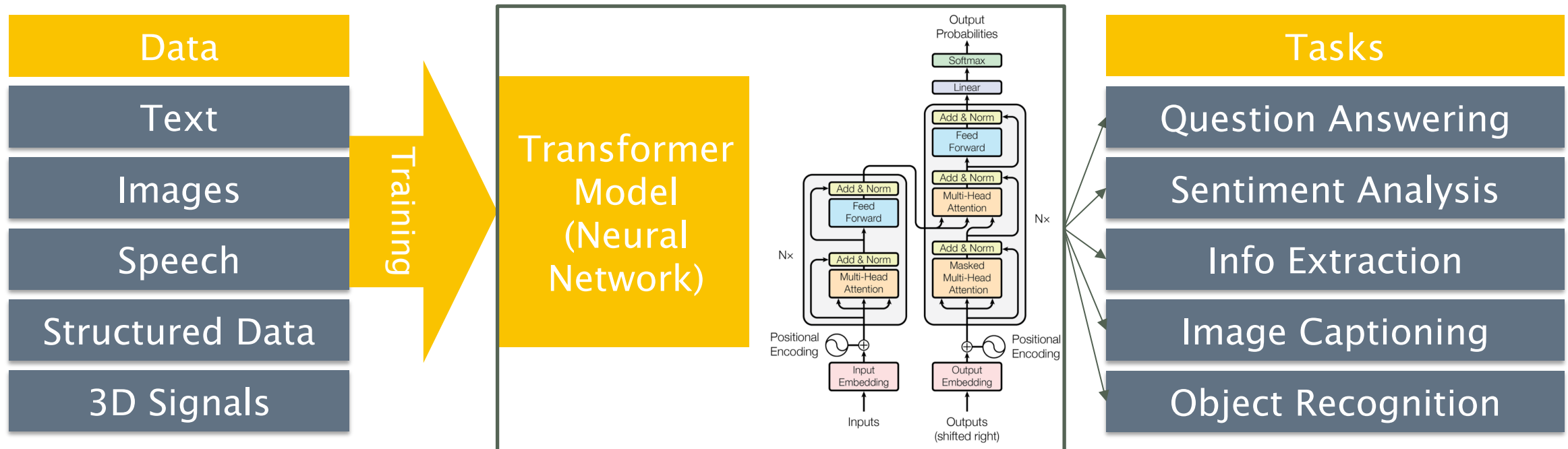
Introduction to Gen AI

Adoption Rate: Bandwagon Effect at Work



Definition of Generative AI

“Generative AI (GenAI) is a class of machine learning algorithms that can learn from content such as text, images, and audio in order to generate new content.”



A simple classification task: Is a following term a swiss company name?

Foundation of classification models (supervised learning)



Text/ Input	Label
Transgourmet	1
Helvetia	1
Thiemo Wambsganss	0
SBB	1
Peter Schmitt	0
...	

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Foundation of Large Language Models: Masked Training

Example Bern University of Apl. Sci.

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Pretraining: Data Collection

Trained a large amount of publicly available data



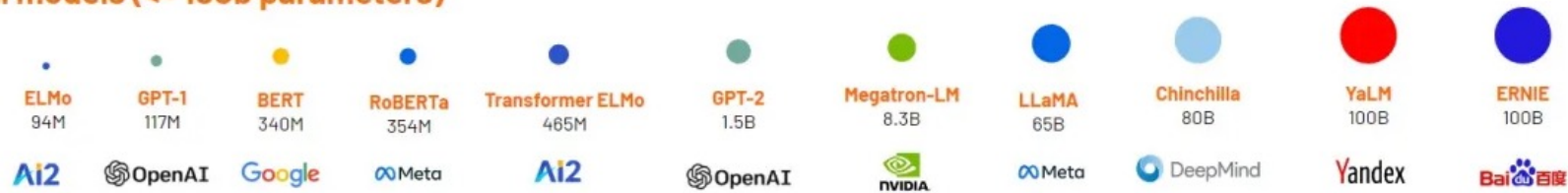
Dataset	Sampling prop.	Epochs	Disk size
CommonCrawl	67.0%	1.10	3.3 TB
C4	15.0%	1.06	783 GB
Github	4.5%	0.64	328 GB
Wikipedia	4.5%	2.45	83 GB
Books	4.5%	2.23	85 GB
ArXiv	2.5%	1.06	92 GB
StackExchange	2.0%	1.03	78 GB

Table 1: **Pre-training data.** Data mixtures used for pre-training, for each subset we list the sampling proportion, number of epochs performed on the subset when training on 1.4T tokens, and disk size. The pre-training runs on 1T tokens have the same sampling proportion.

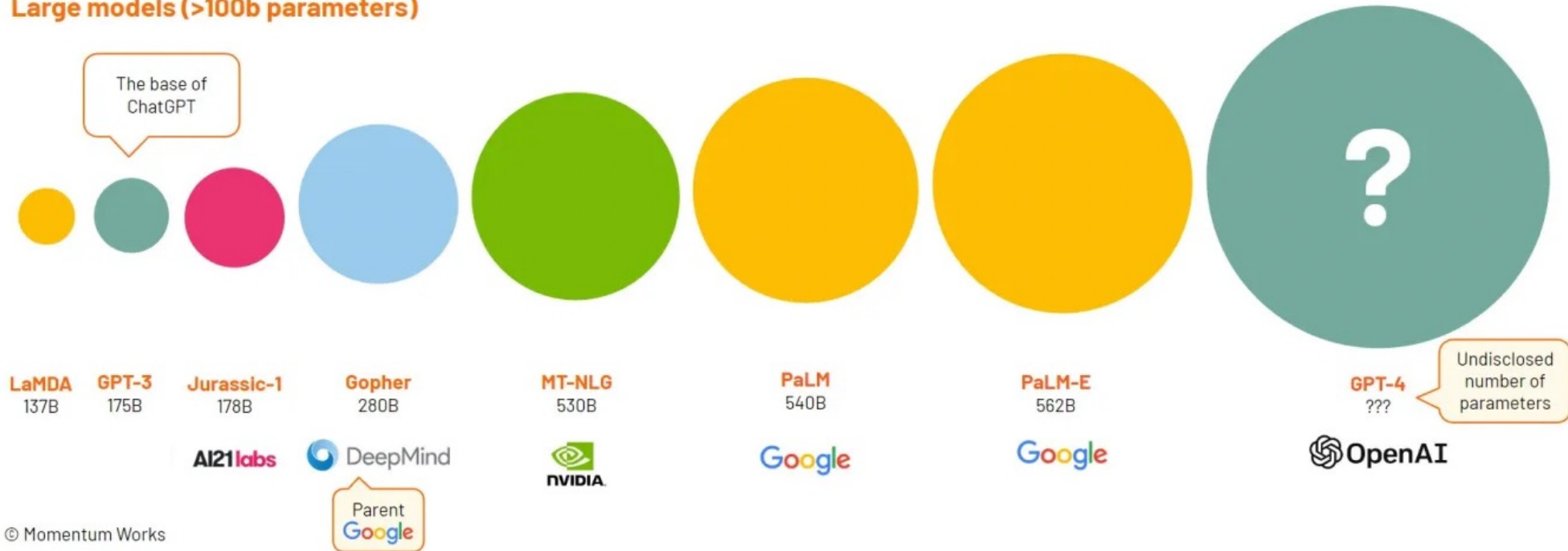
[Training data mixture used in Meta's LLaMA model]

How It's Going: Large Language Models Becoming Very Large

Small models (<= 100b parameters)



Large models (>100b parameters)



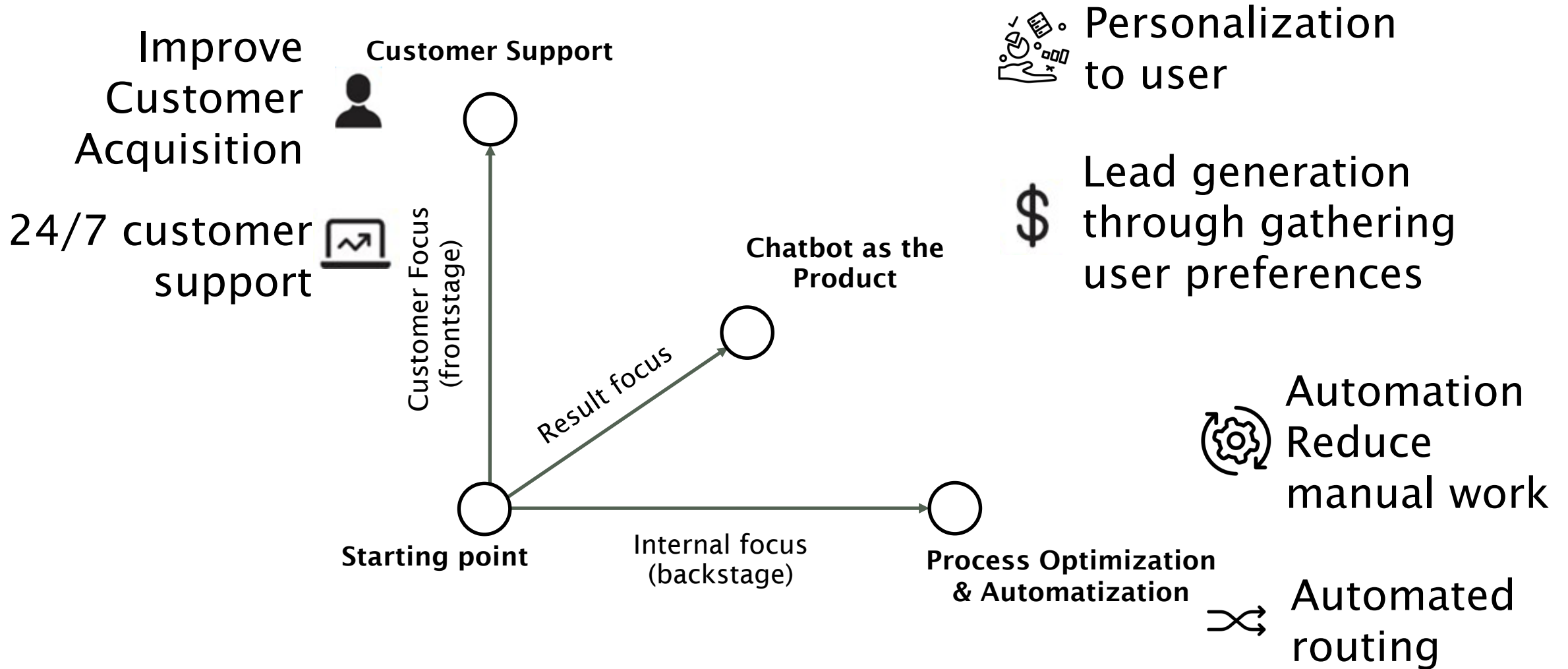
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Prompt Engineering and Potentials for Businesses

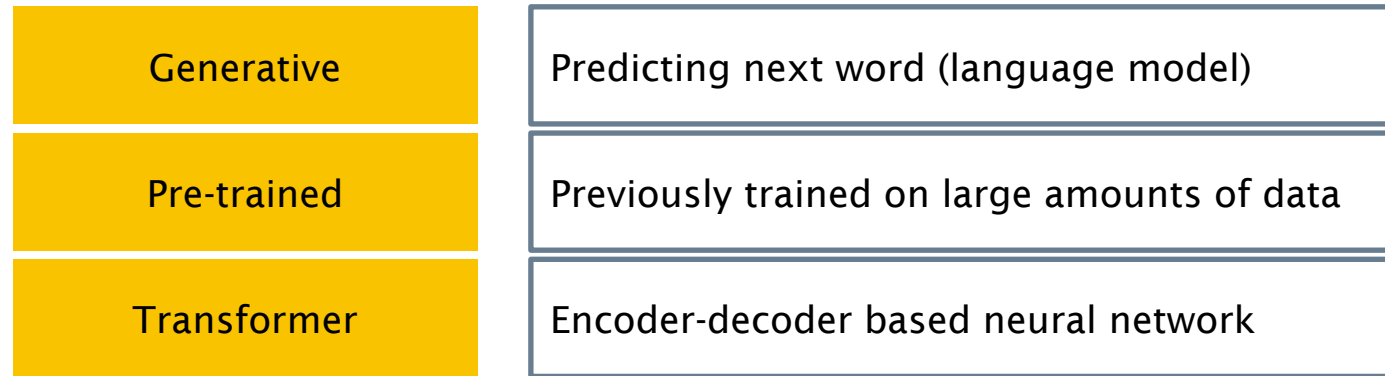
AI as a Collaborator?!



Potential Use-Cases for Generative AI



ChatGPT is Addictive

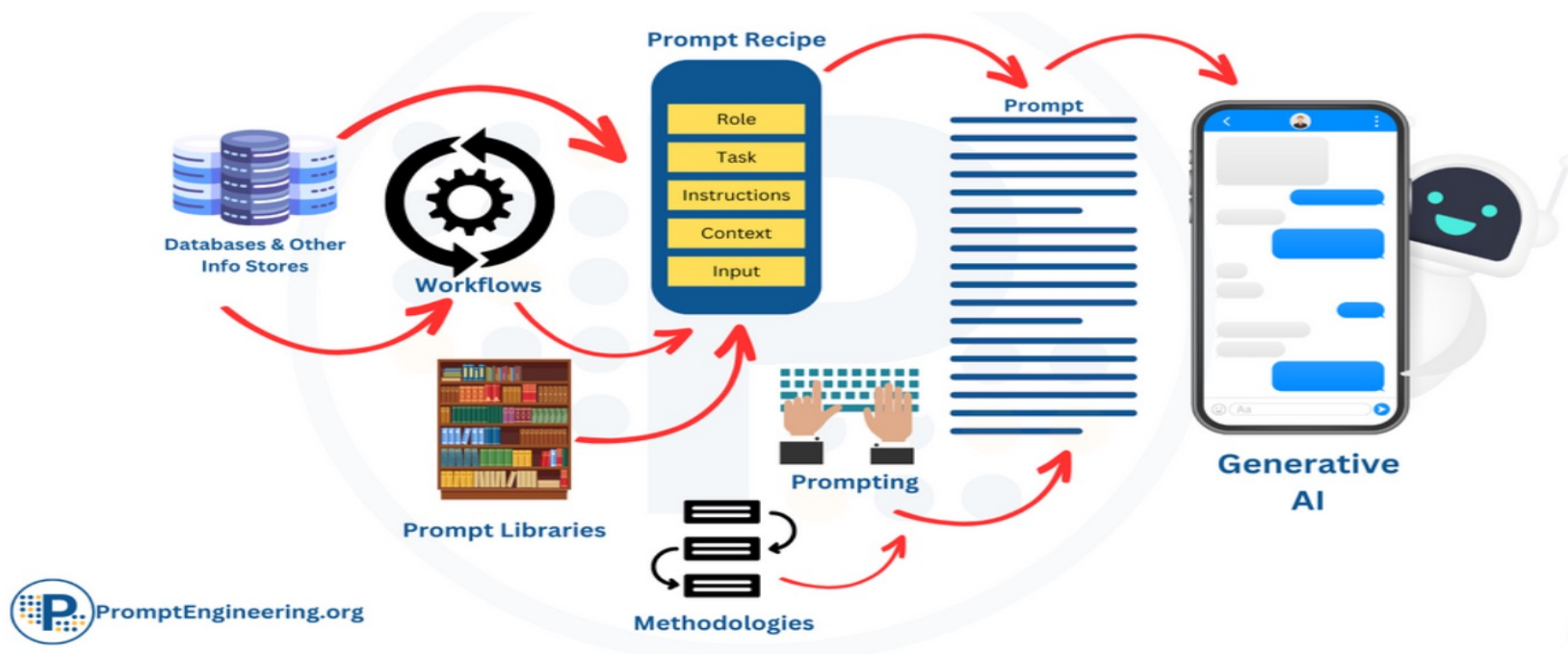


ChatGPT has been designed to provide a human experience and please us.

What is prompt engineering ?

Prompt: input sequence for a generative model

Prompt Engineering refers to any process that contributes to the development of a well-crafted prompt to generate quality, useful outputs from an AI system



Prompts

Basic prompt chatGPT

⚡ Default (GPT-3.5)

RO 5 musicians need 60 minutes to play a piece of music. How many minutes do 10 musicians need to play the same piece of music?

The time it takes to play a piece of music does not change based on the number of musicians performing it, assuming all musicians play at the same tempo and follow the same sheet music. Therefore, even if there are 10 musicians, they would still need 60 minutes to play the same piece of music. The number of musicians doesn't affect the duration of the performance as long as they all play together.

Advanced prompt ChatGPT

```
delimiter = "####"
system_message = f"""

Act as a tutor who evaluates the peer review created by a student. \
The review is between {delimiter}. \
Check if the review contains suggestions on how to improve the work of the \
student who receives the peer review. \
Print out the suggestion and provide arguments why this is a suggestion. \
Suggestions are information what the student should change in his or \
her work. \
Such as add, delete, change, etc. \
Count the number of suggestions.
"""
user_message = df["review"][0]

messages = [
    {'role': 'system',
     'content': system_message},
    {'role': 'user',
     'content': f"{delimiter}{user_message}{delimiter}"},
]
response = get_completion_from_messages(messages)
print(response)
```

Effective Prompting Techniques

- ✓ Clear Instructions: be clear and specific in your prompts

Example: **Ineffective:** “Tell me about animals.”
 Effective: “Describe the behavior of honeybees during pollination.”

- ✓ Provide more context than you do with a person

Example: **Ineffective:** “Write a poem.”
 Effective: “Compose a romantic poem about a moonlit beach.”

- ✓ Desired Output Format: Tone and Length

Example: “Write a short introduction for an executive conference (100-150 words) about the evolution of quantum computing. The goal is to have a persuasive text for all stakeholders.”

- ✓ Experiment and Revise

Advanced Prompt Techniques

Zero-shot Prompts

- Reasoning without seeing any examples based solely on the semantic description in the prompt

Works for

- Questions
- Summaries
- Text Completion
- Question - Answering

Best for

- Quick, general insights without context or examples

Prompt Techniques – using formula:



Acting as [ROLE] perform [TASK] in [FORMAT]: insert unique data

Role	Task/ Aim	Format
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expert Science Writer• Ronald C. Kessler• Professor XYZ• Editor from [target] journal• PhD student in [specific field]	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Formulate research questions• Write an abstract• Analysis• Condense lists• Draft references	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PDF• Bullet points• Summary• Table/Chart• (MLA, APA, Chicago) citations

Advanced Prompt Techniques

	Zero-shot Prompts	Few-shot Prompts
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reasoning without seeing any examples based solely on the semantic description in the prompt	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reasoning based on given examples
Works for	<ul style="list-style-type: none">QuestionsSummariesText CompletionQuestion - Answering	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Text classificationCustomized content generationPredefined pattern exists
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Few-Shot Learning for Qualitative Data Analysis

SO Classify the sentence as positive or negative.  

Think step-by-step, and provide reasoning why the text is identified as positive or negative.

For example,

Sentence: 'Same S##t, different day'

Sentiment: The sentence uses s##t. S##t is publically accepted as vulgar or profane. So, the sentiment is Negative.





and

Sentence: 'This product has changed my life, I am so much more productive now'

Sentiment: The product that is being talked about has made the user more productive. Productivity is generally associated with positivity. So, the sentiment is Positive.

Sentence: <<Paste your own sentence here>>

Sentiment:

 Certainly! Please provide the sentence you'd like to have analyzed for sentiment.   

Task description

Examples

Prompt

Advanced Prompt Techniques

	Zero-shot Prompts	Few-shot Prompts	Chain-of-Thought
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reasoning without seeing any examples based solely on the semantic description in the prompt	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reasoning based on given examples	<p>Breaks down a complex problem into smaller steps with detailed explanation of its reasoning process.</p>
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Best for	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Quick, general insights without context or examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Examples to guide the model's output, especially for specific formats or content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Complex queries requiring logical progression of steps or thoughts

How to Craft Effective Prompts: Key Principles

Clarity and Understanding

Use delimiters for clarity (e.g., ### text ###)

Consider providing examples for correct output (few-shot prompting)

Specificity and Detailing

Specify desired output format

Specify output length. Think in natural quantities, like "a dozen".

Be specific and precise

Context and Relevance

Define Role (e.g., "You are a translator.")

Audience and Purpose (e.g., "Translate for an Italian audience looking for fresh products.")

Step-by-Step Guidance

Include Step-by-Step Instructions

(e.g., "First, translate to Italian. Next, make it catchy.")

Conditioning for Accuracy

Condition the model's responses on the context to get more accurate results (e.g., "Base your translation on the following dictionary where appropriate: {dictionary}").

Challenges and Risks



The First Presidential Deep Fake Elections



Beware of the Limitations when using LLMs

Five limitations and concerns about generative AI and the risks for enterprises



1. Hallucinations



Libel risk

Australian mayor readies world's first defamation lawsuit over ChatGPT content



2. Bias



Reputational risk

OpenAI Chatbot Spits Out Biased Musings, Despite Guardrails



3. Data privacy



Security, confidentiality risk

Samsung Bans Staff's AI Use After Spotting ChatGPT Data Leak



4. Unclear sourcing



Legal risk, IP/copyright

Getty Images is suing the creators of AI art tool Stable Diffusion for scraping its content



5. Deliberate misuse



Operational risk

How AI is being used to spread misinformation

**“Basically high-tech plagiarism!”
Noah Chomsky, 2023**



Whether you're a data scientist, developer, or curious explorer, Prompt Engineering is your golden ticket to AI mastery

Learn Prompt Engineering

E.g., <https://www.deeplearning.ai/short-courses/> by Andrew Ng

Prompt engineering course: <https://www.deeplearning.ai/short-courses/chatgpt-prompt-engineering-for-developers/>

Apply, Experiment, Collaborate

Text: <https://chat.openai.com> or <https://platform.openai.com/playground>

Image: <https://clipdrop.co/stable-diffusion>

Coding: <https://github.com/features/copilot>

You want to learn more on Generative AI and Prompt Engineering?



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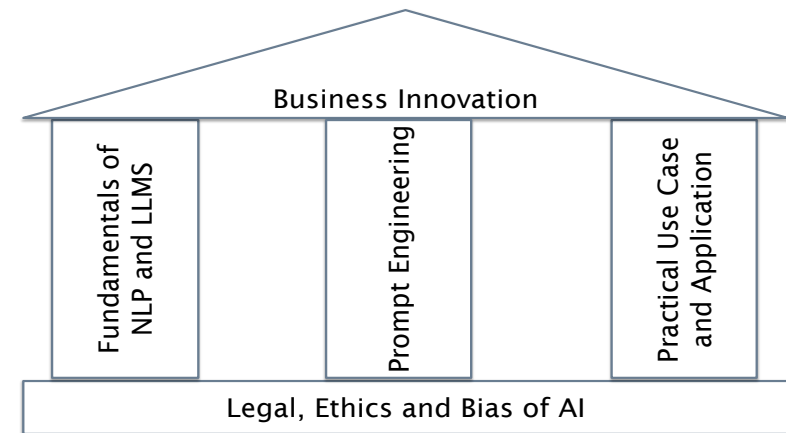
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Get in contact for a follow-up workshop

2 Days Workshops on prompt engineering based on our “House of Innovation through Generative AI”

- Theoretical Foundations
- Advanced prompting techniques
- Hands-on practical examples



Ready to **transform** with **generative AI**?
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