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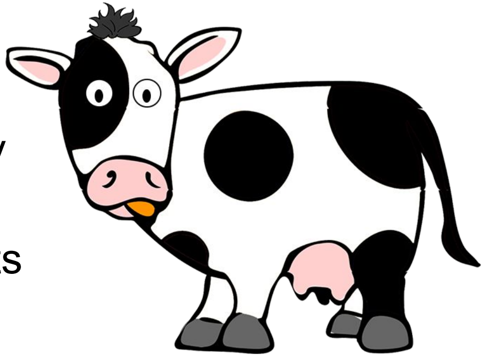
An Evening with ChatGPT

Is it magic?
The inner workings of ChatGPT

What can it (not) do?
Creativity, reasoning and reliability

Who will be using it?
Impact on education, research and society

What does it cost?
Big tech, human labour, environmental issues



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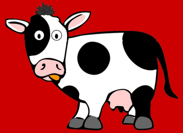

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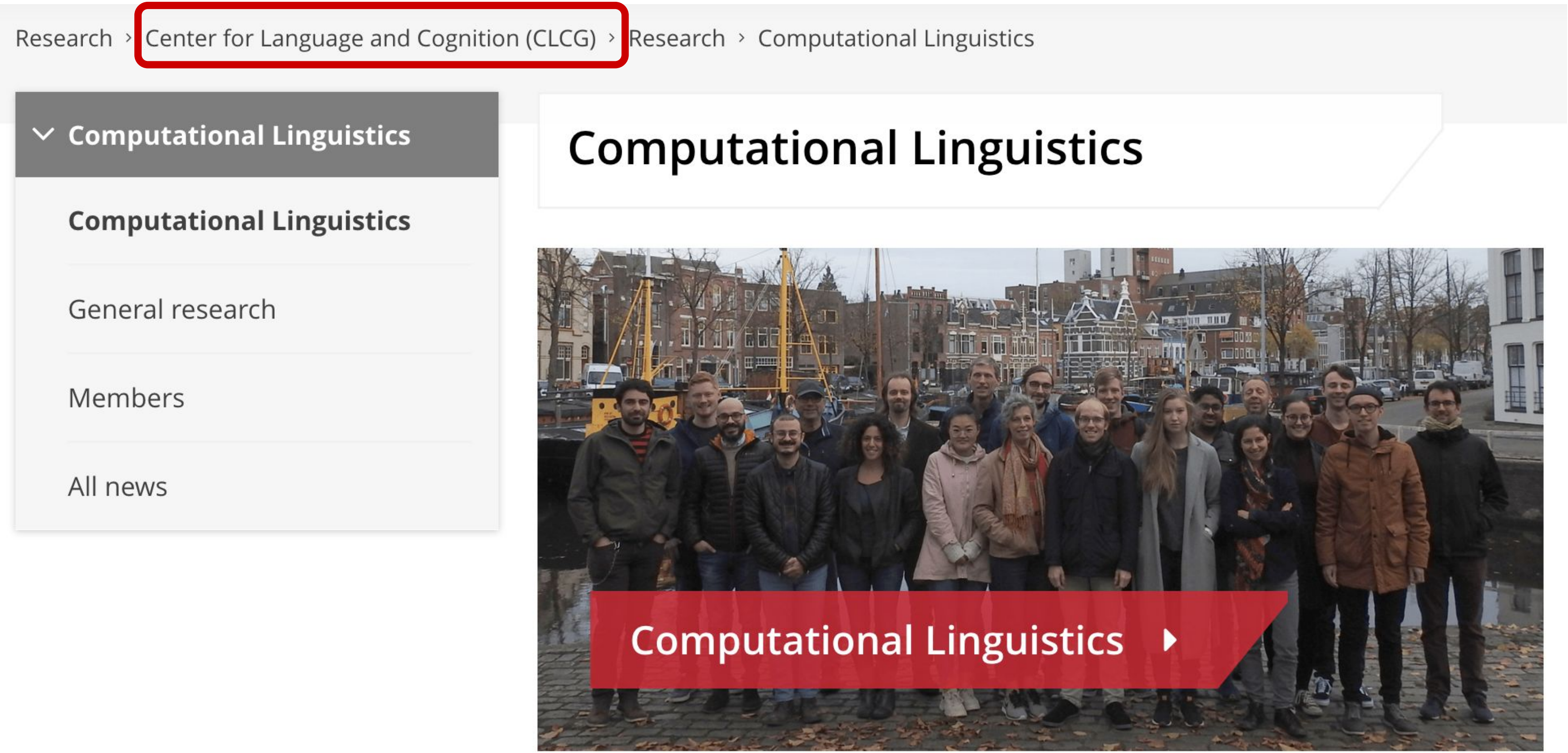

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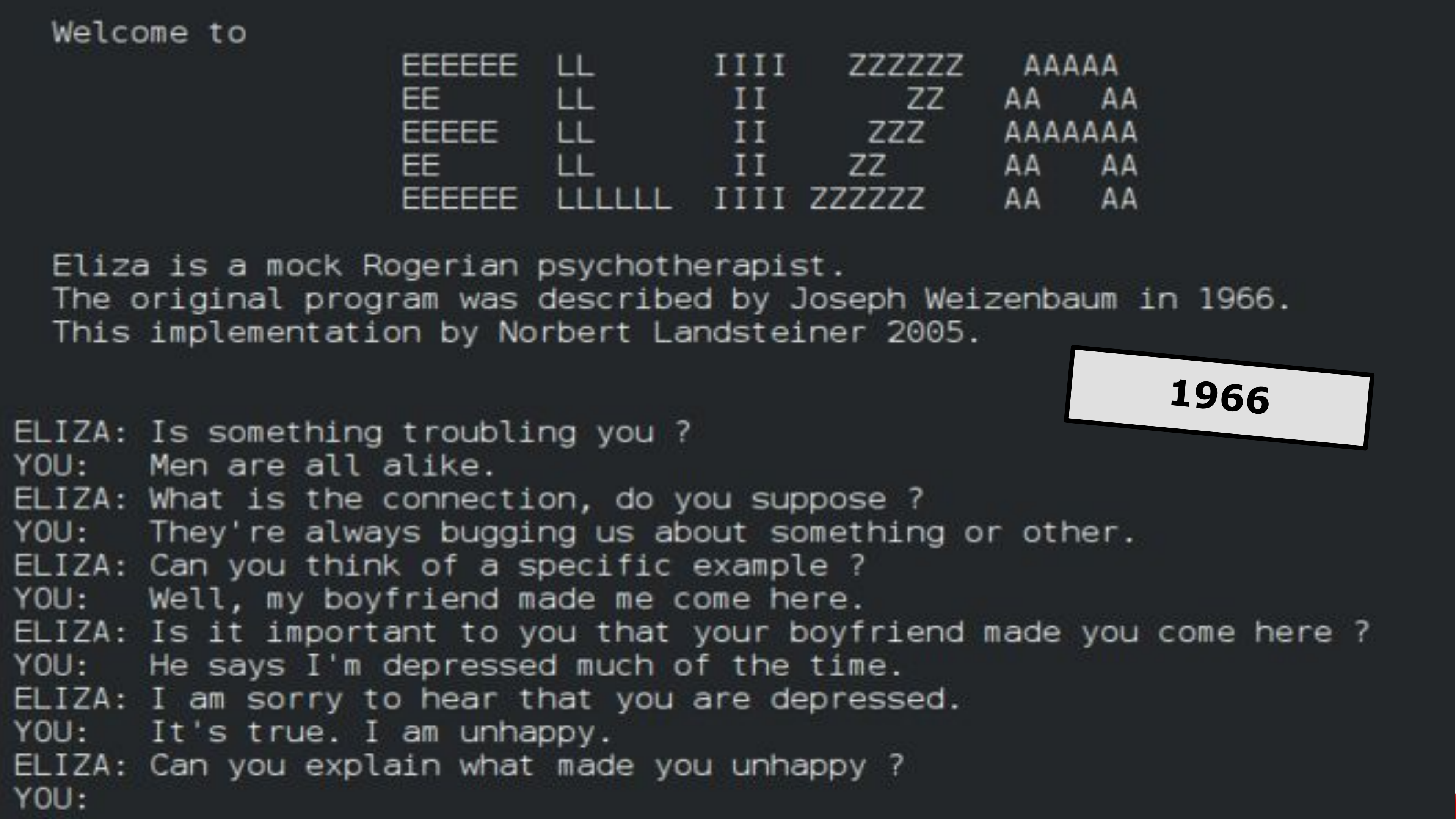
the language technology experts at the University of Groningen



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  Welcome to
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  Eliza is a mock Rogerian psychotherapist.
  The original program was described by Joseph Weizenbaum in 1966.
  This implementation by Norbert Landsteiner 2005.


ELIZA: Is something troubling you ?
YOU:   Men are all alike.
ELIZA: What is the connection, do you suppose ?
YOU:   They're always bugging us about something or other.
ELIZA: Can you think of a specific example ?
YOU:   Well, my boyfriend made me come here.
ELIZA: Is it important to you that your boyfriend made you come here ?
YOU:   He says I'm depressed much of the time.
ELIZA: I am sorry to hear that you are depressed.
YOU:   It's true. I am unhappy.
ELIZA: Can you explain what made you unhappy ?
YOU:
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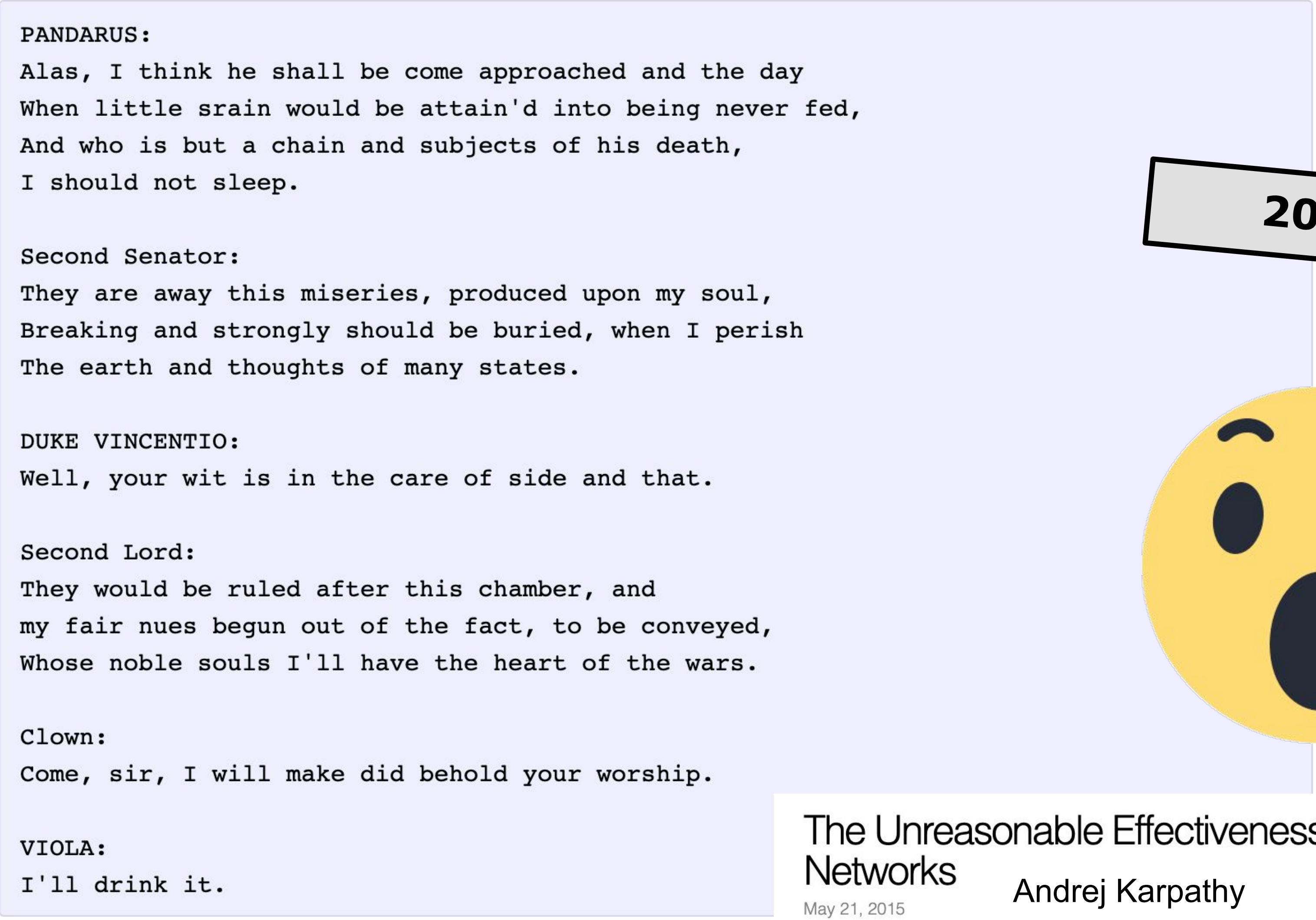
1966



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PANDARUS:
Alas, I think he shall be come approached and the day
When little srain would be attain'd into being never fed,
And who is but a chain and subjects of his death,
I should not sleep.

Second Senator:
They are away this miseries, produced upon my soul,
Breaking and strongly should be buried, when I perish
The earth and thoughts of many states.

DUKE VINCENTIO:
Well, your wit is in the care of side and that.

Second Lord:
They would be ruled after this chamber, and
my fair nues begun out of the fact, to be conveyed,
Whose noble souls I'll have the heart of the wars.

Clown:
Come, sir, I will make did behold your worship.

VIOLA:
I'll drink it.
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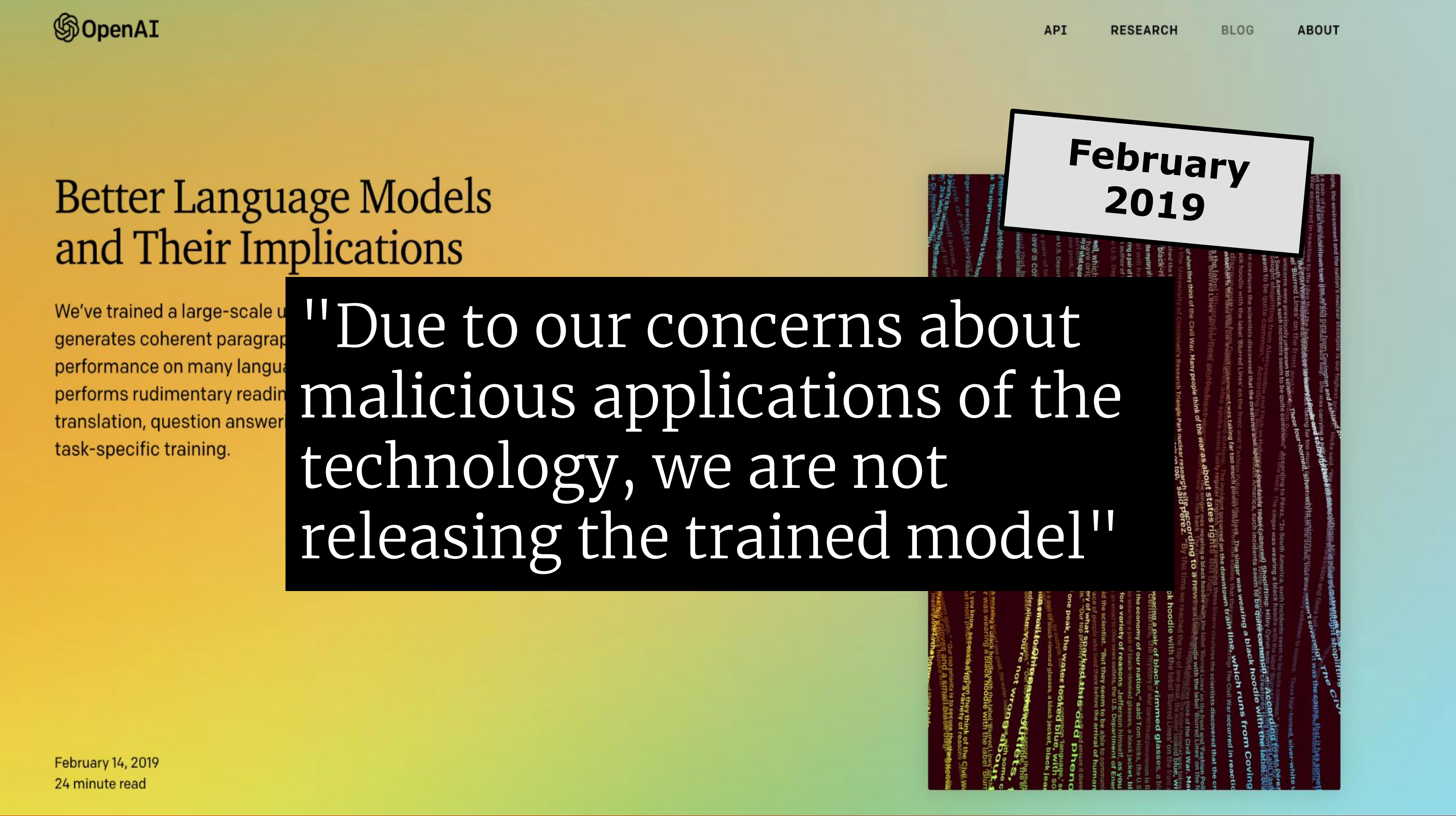
2015

The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Recurrent Neural Networks

May 21, 2015

Andrej Karpathy



Better Language Models and Their Implications

We've trained a large-scale u
generates coherent paragrap
performance on many langu
performs rudimentary readin
translation, question answer
task-specific training.

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"Due to our concerns about malicious applications of the technology, we are not releasing the trained model"

February
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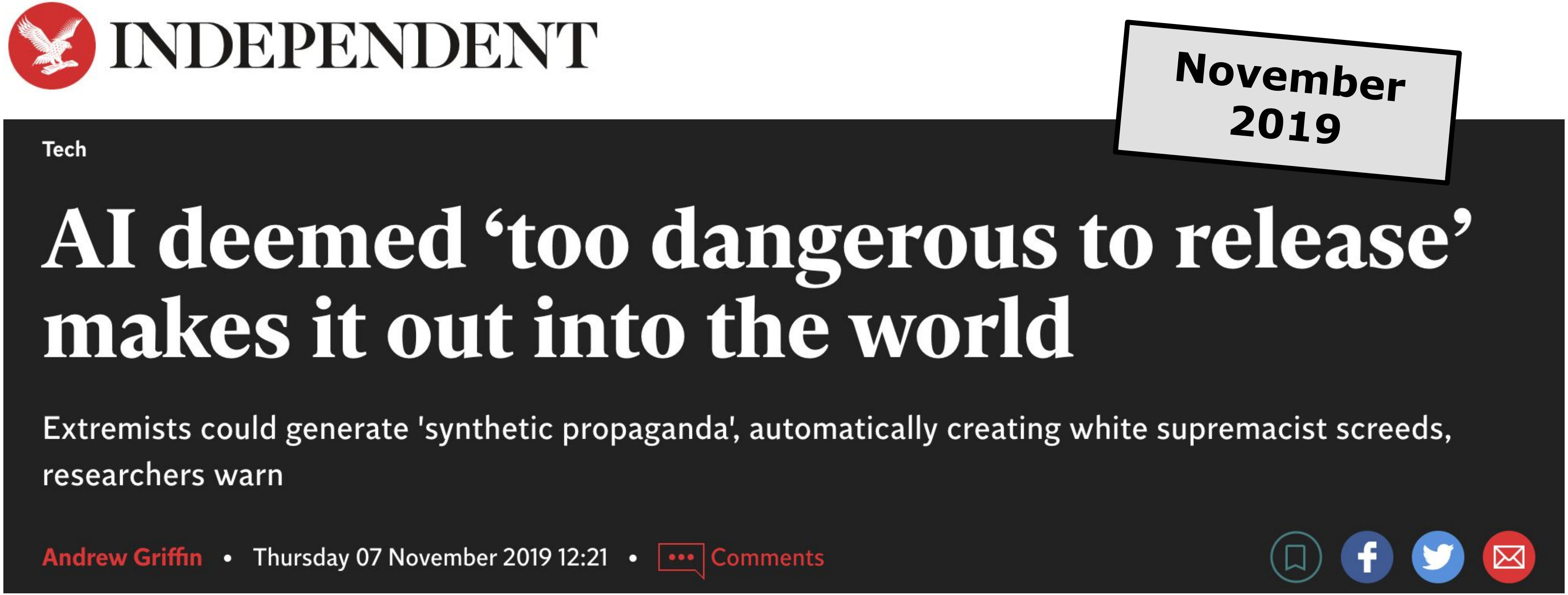

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Tech

AI deemed 'too dangerous to release' makes it out into the world

Extremists could generate 'synthetic propaganda', automatically creating white supremacist screeds, researchers warn

Andrew Griffin • Thursday 07 November 2019 12:21 • Comments

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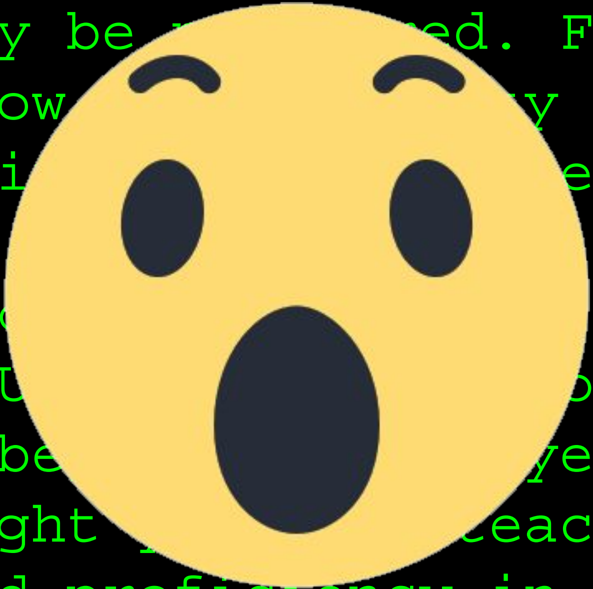

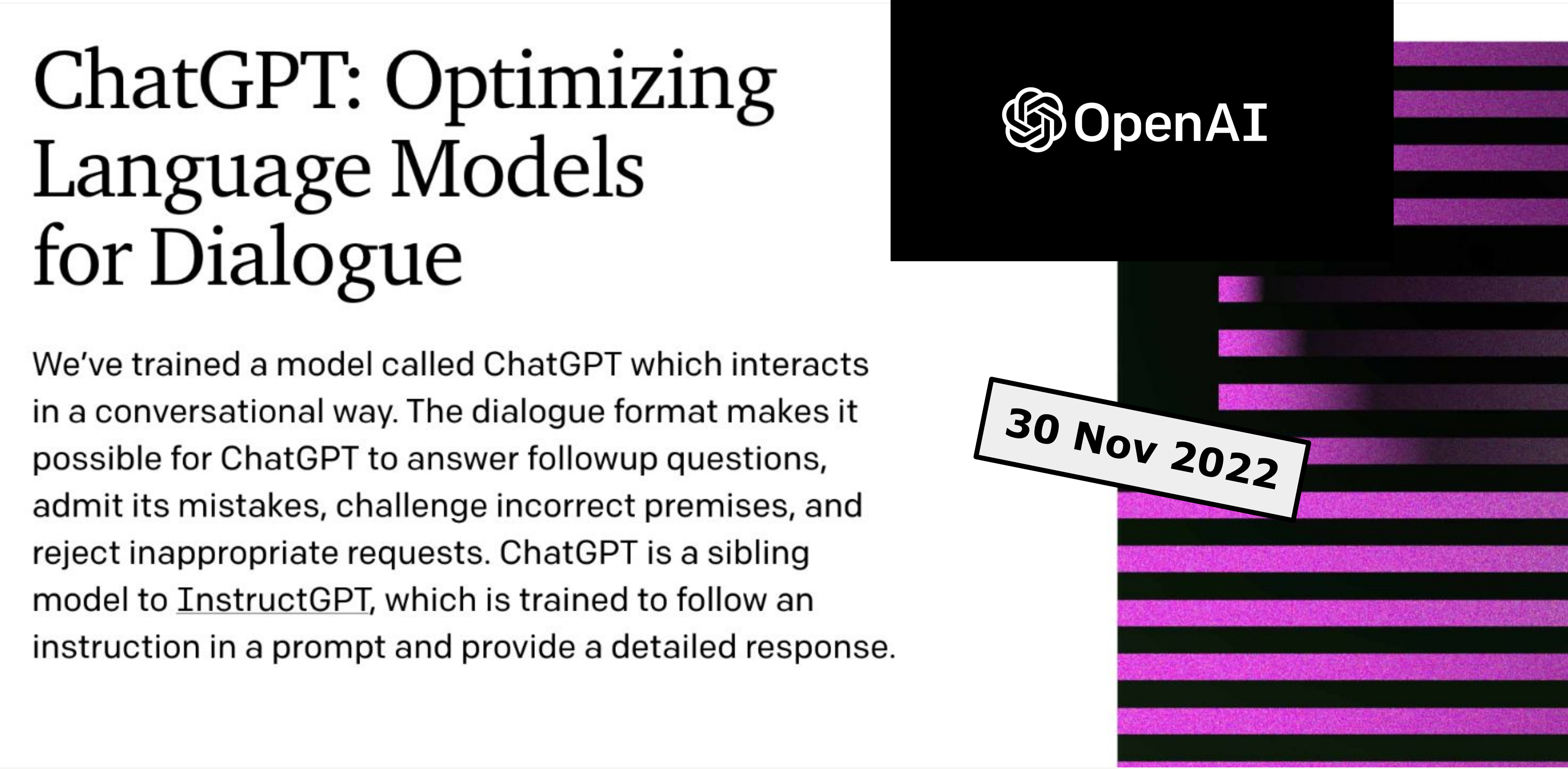

ChatGPT: Optimizing Language Models for Dialogue

We've trained a model called ChatGPT which interacts in a conversational way. The dialogue format makes it possible for ChatGPT to answer followup questions, admit its mistakes, challenge incorrect premises, and reject inappropriate requests. ChatGPT is a sibling model to InstructGPT, which is trained to follow an instruction in a prompt and provide a detailed response.

OpenAI

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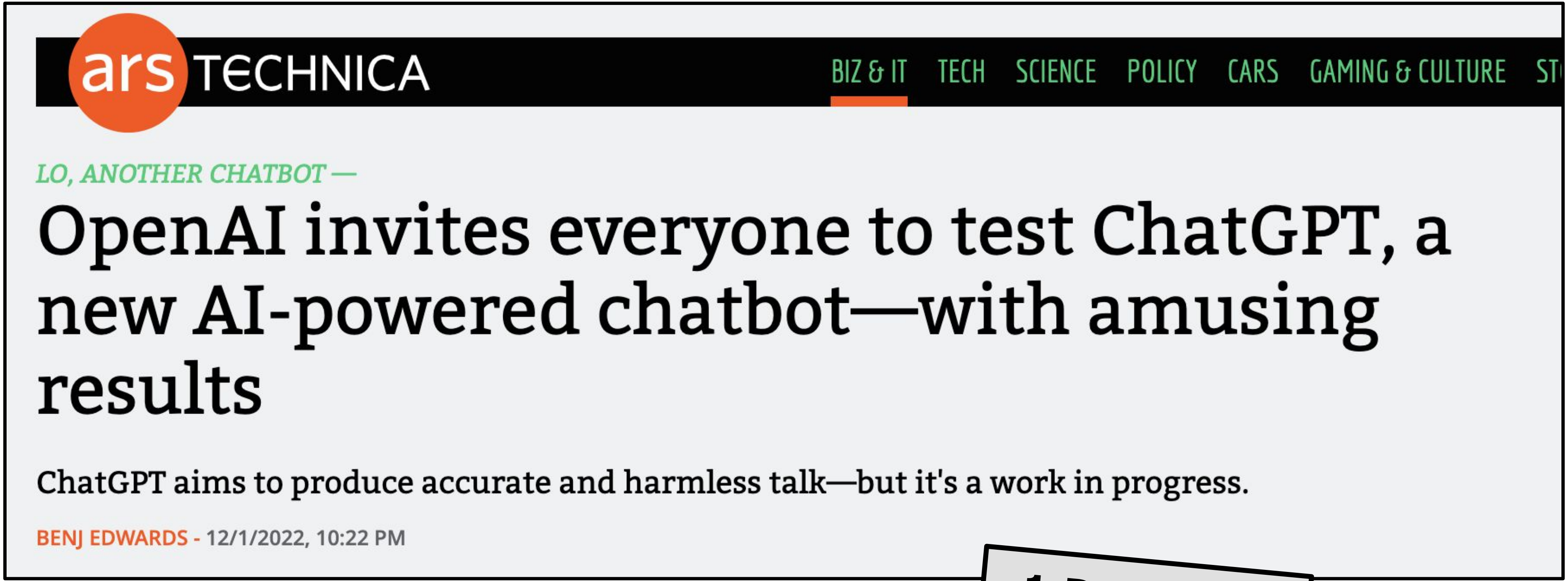

LO, ANOTHER CHATBOT —

OpenAI invites everyone to test ChatGPT, a new AI-powered chatbot—with amusing results

ChatGPT aims to produce accurate and harmless talk—but it's a work in progress.

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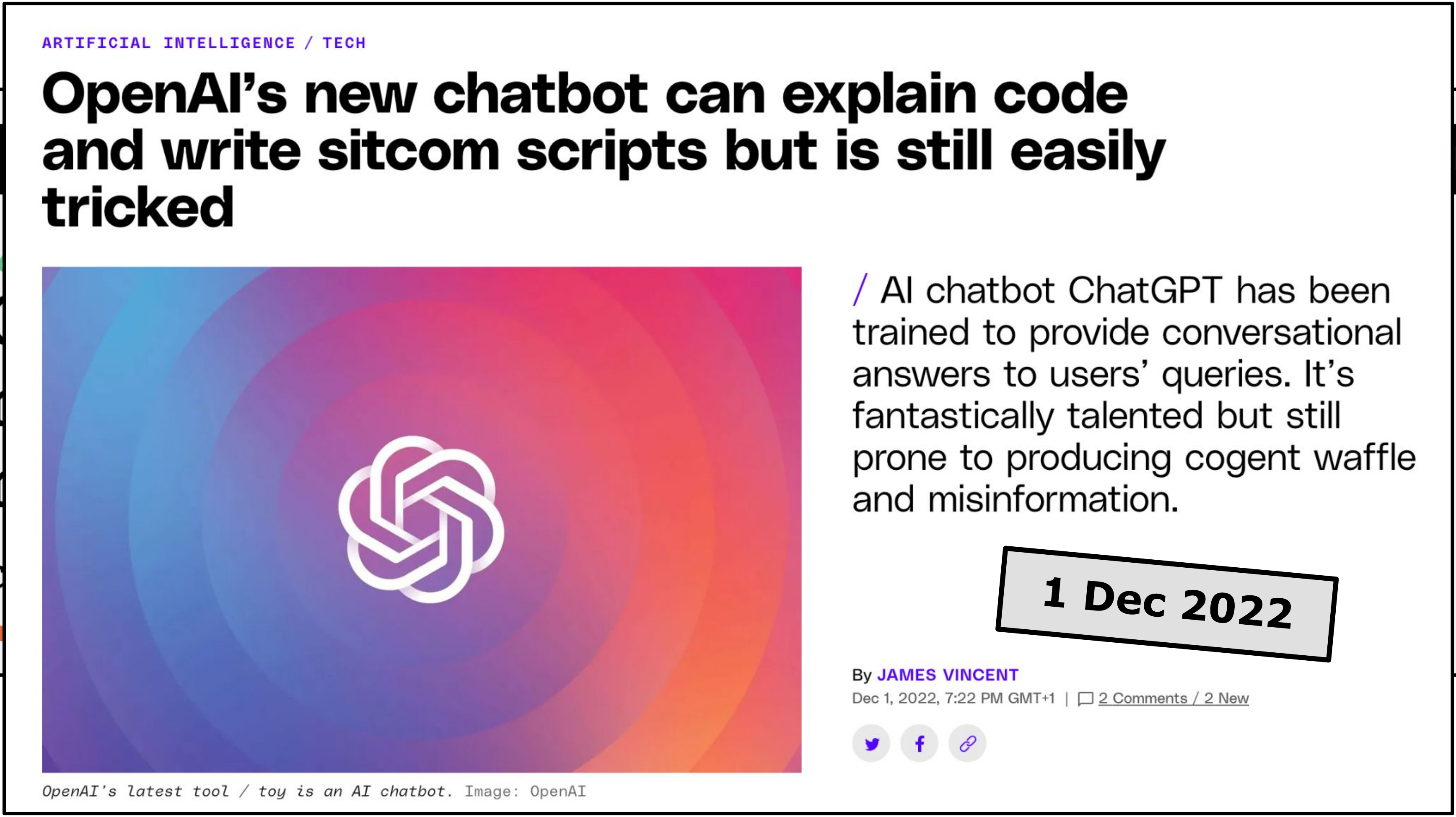

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OpenAI's new chatbot can explain code and write sitcom scripts but is still easily tricked

/ AI chatbot ChatGPT has been trained to provide conversational answers to users' queries. It's fantastically talented but still prone to producing cogent waffle and misinformation.

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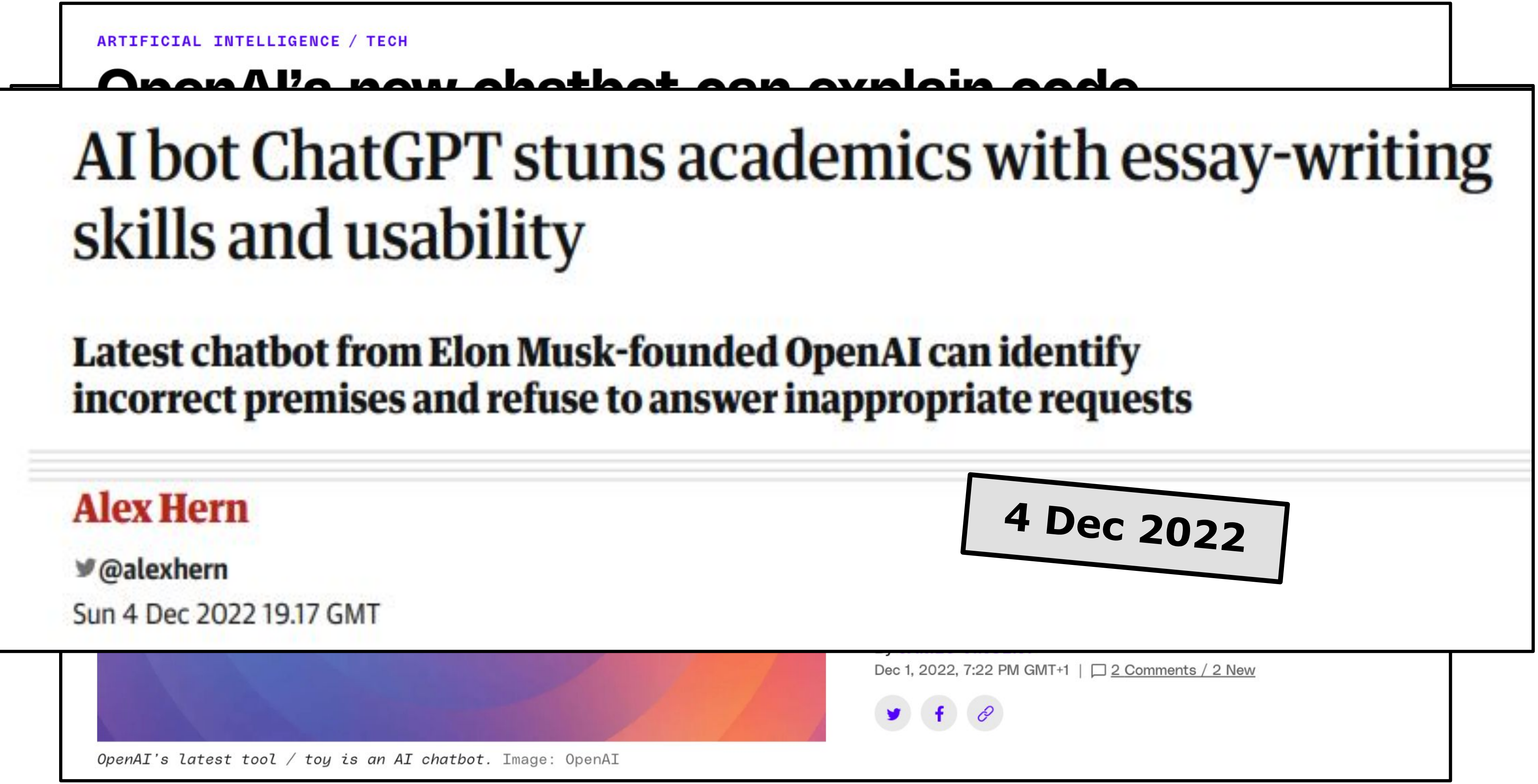

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AI bot ChatGPT stuns academics with essay-writing skills and usability

Latest chatbot from Elon Musk-founded OpenAI can identify incorrect premises and refuse to answer inappropriate requests

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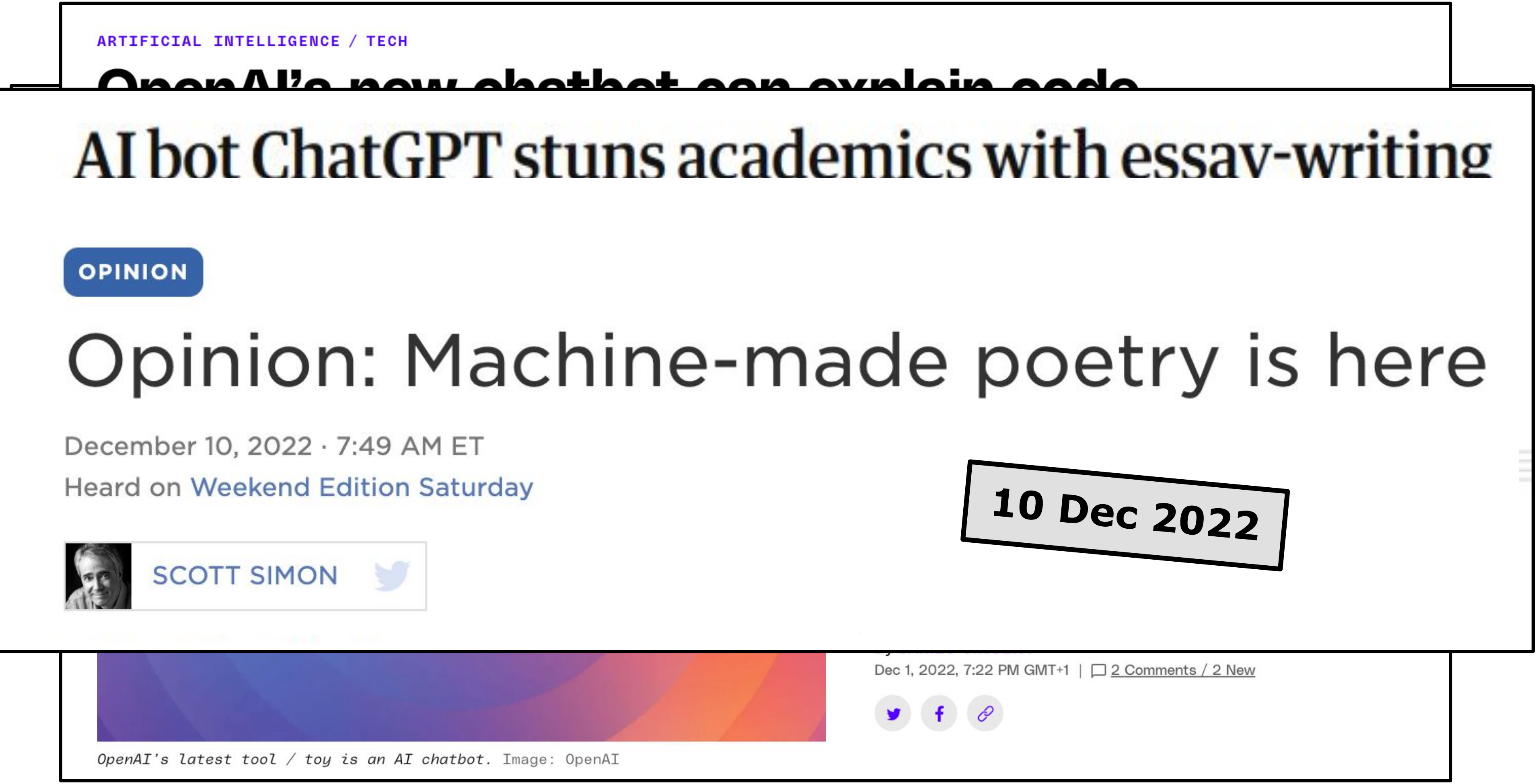

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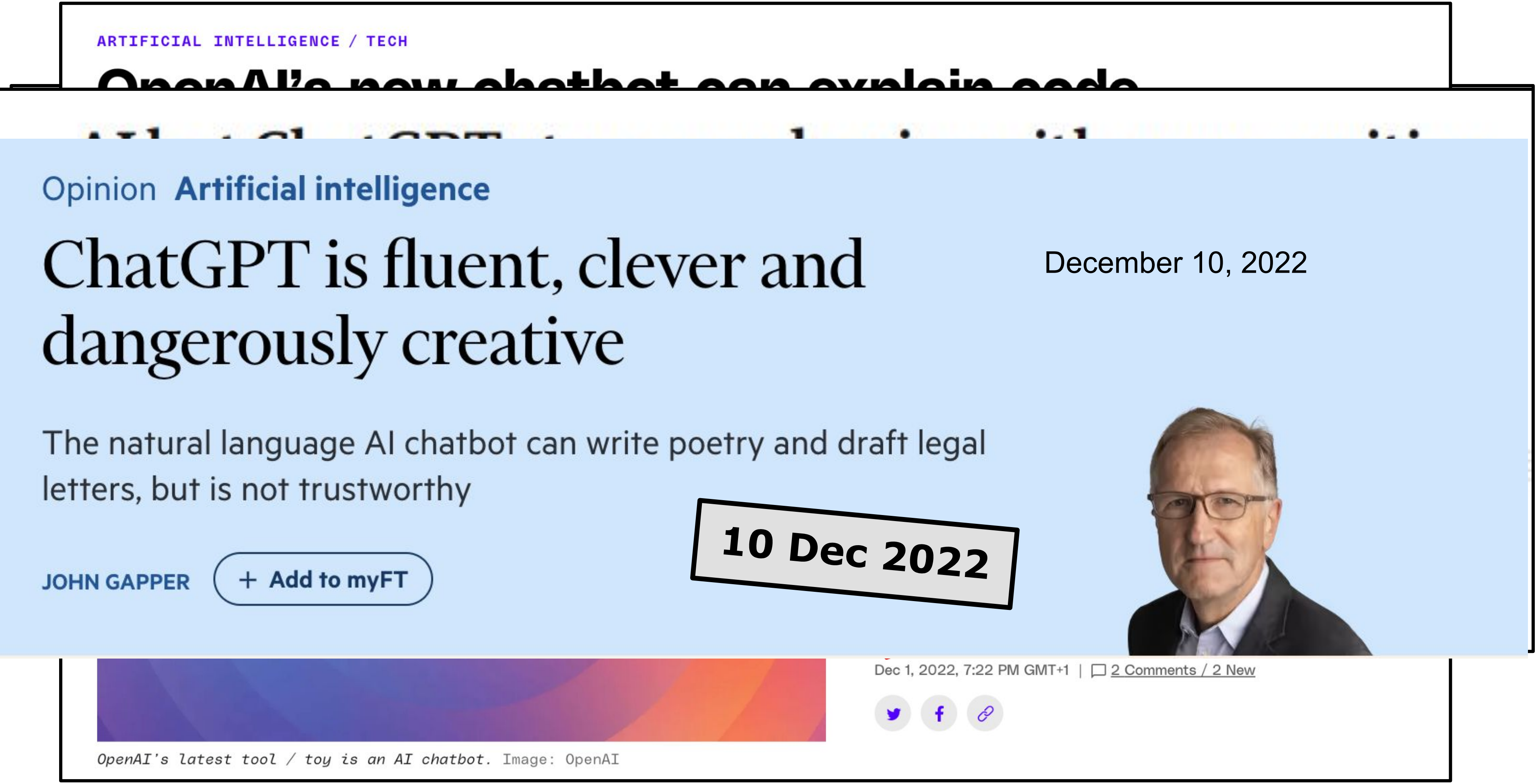

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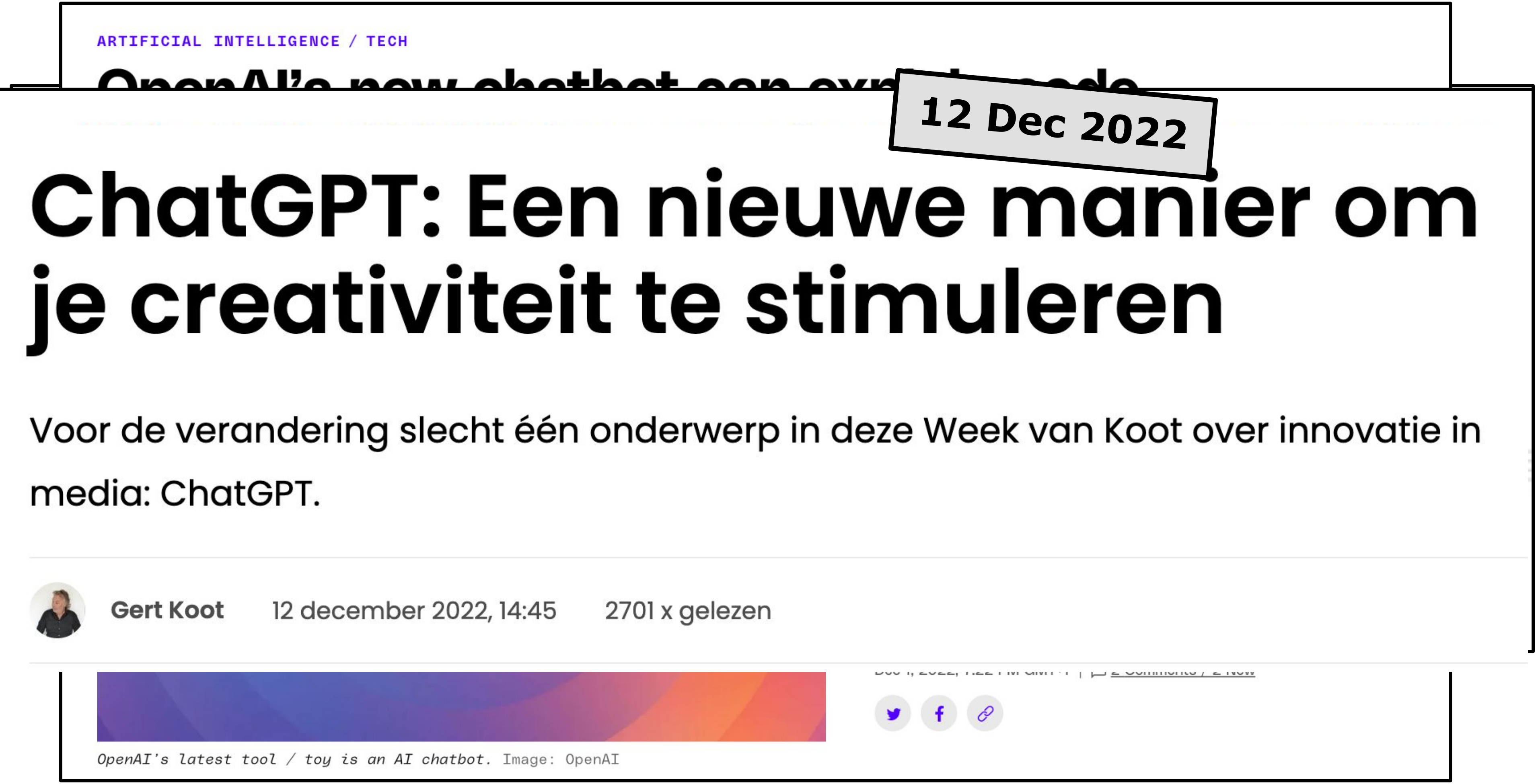

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ChatGPT: Een nieuwe manier om je creativiteit te stimuleren

Voor de verandering slecht één onderwerp in deze Week van Koot over innovatie in media: ChatGPT.

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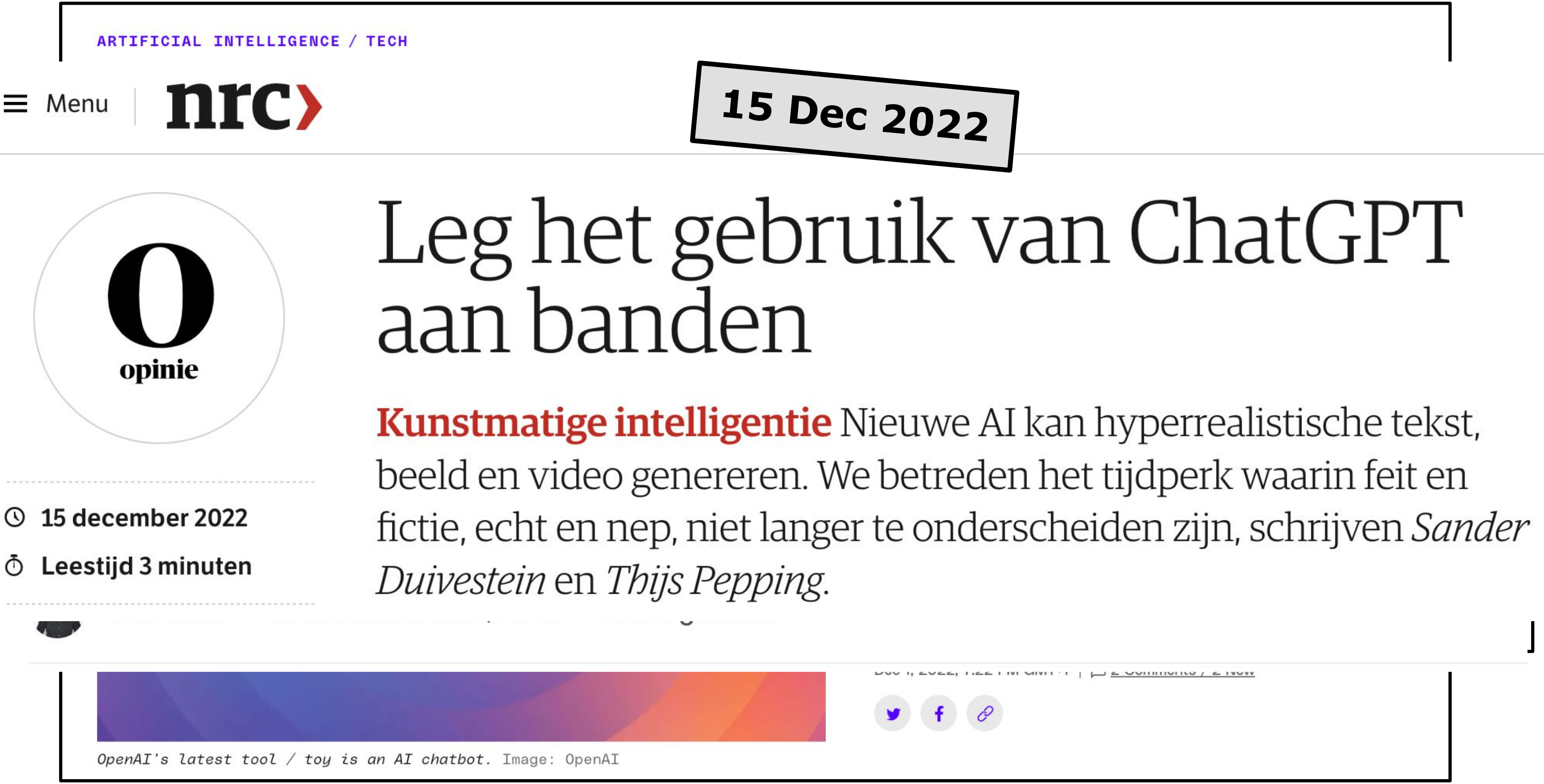

Leg het gebruik van ChatGPT aan banden

Kunstmatige intelligentie Nieuwe AI kan hyperrealistische tekst, beeld en video genereren. We betreden het tijdperk waarin feit en fictie, echt en nep, niet langer te onderscheiden zijn, schrijven *Sander Duivestein* en *Thijs Pepping*.

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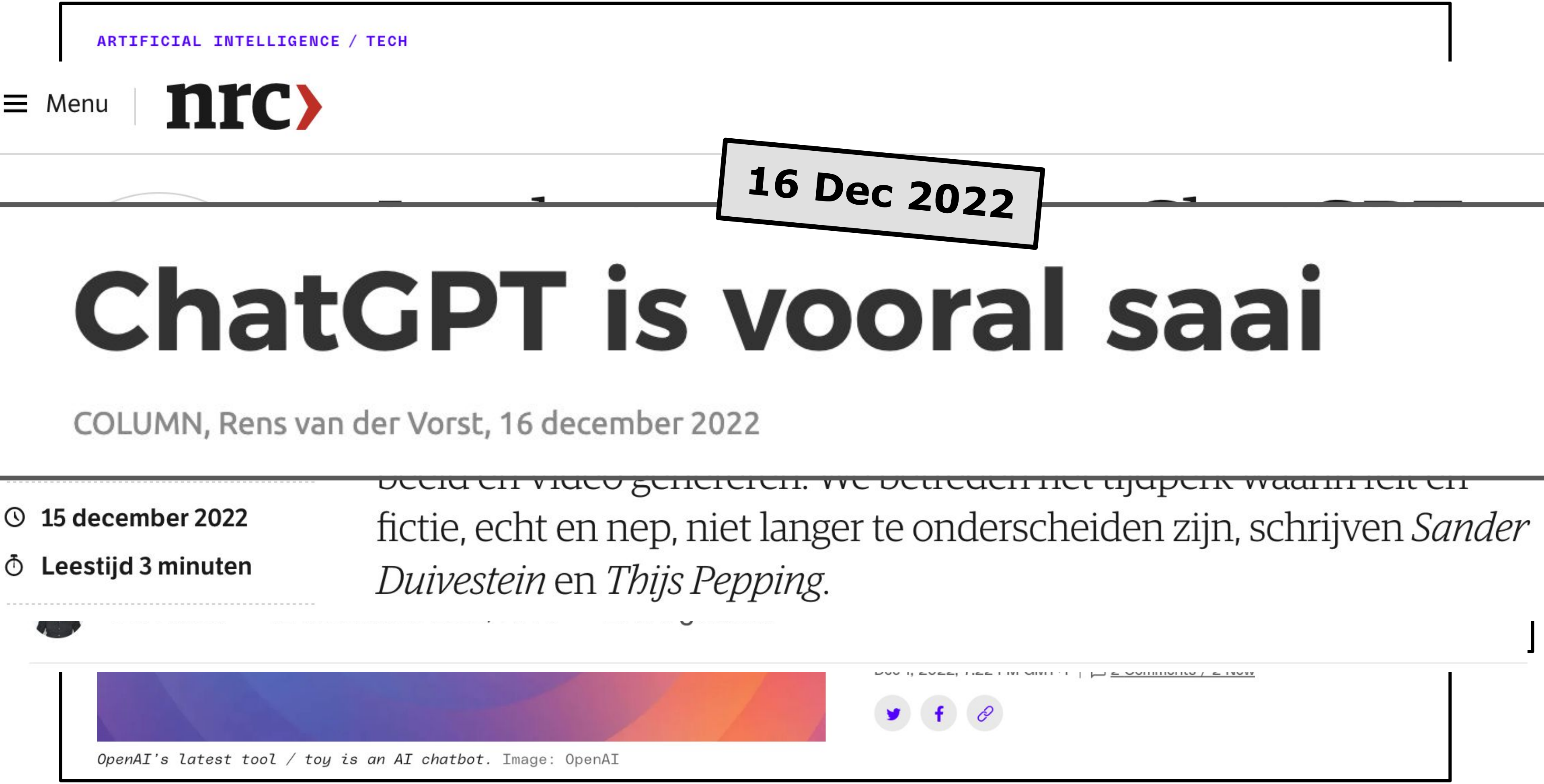
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ChatGPT is vooral saai

COLUMN, Rens van der Vorst, 16 december 2022

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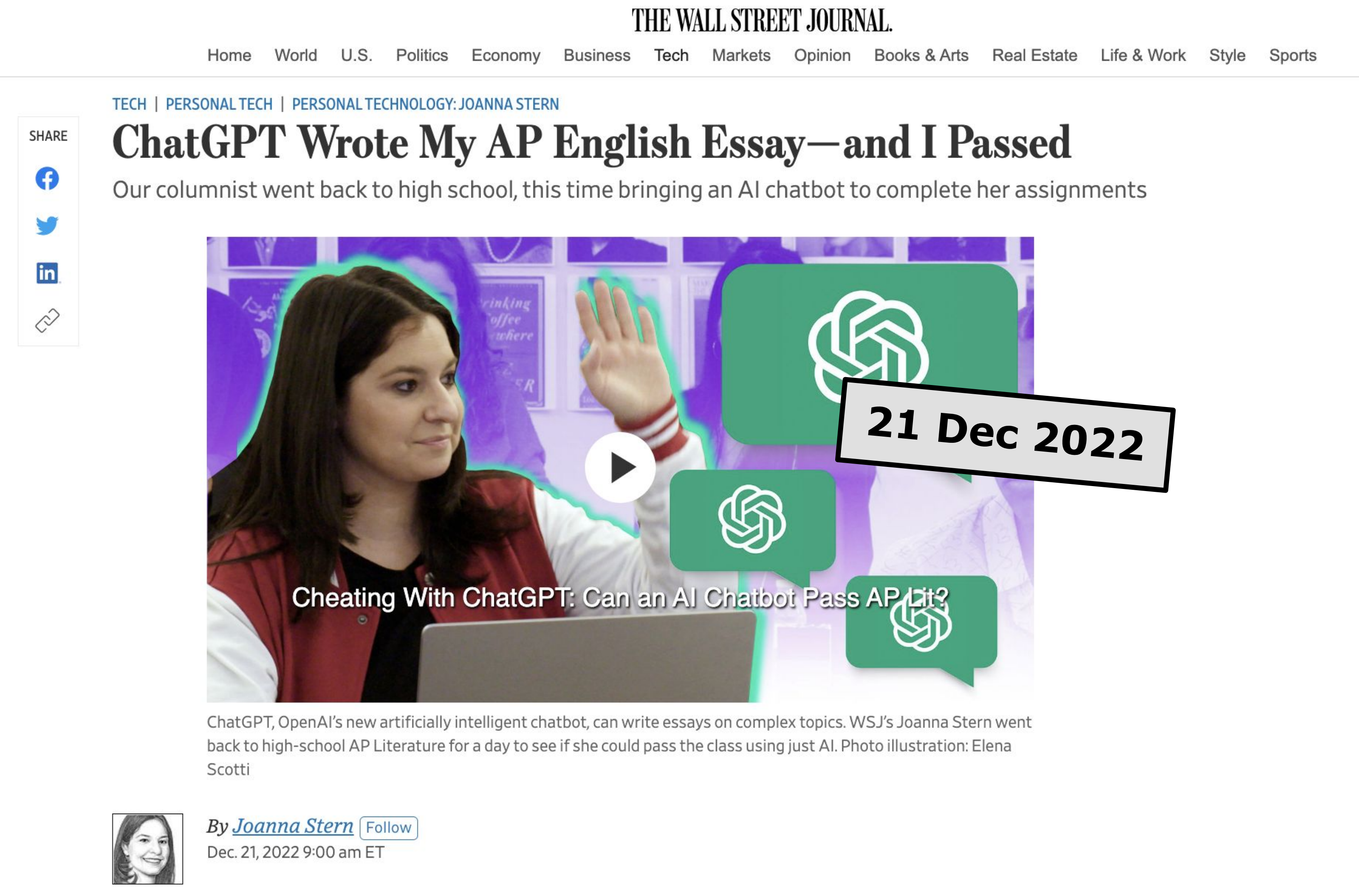
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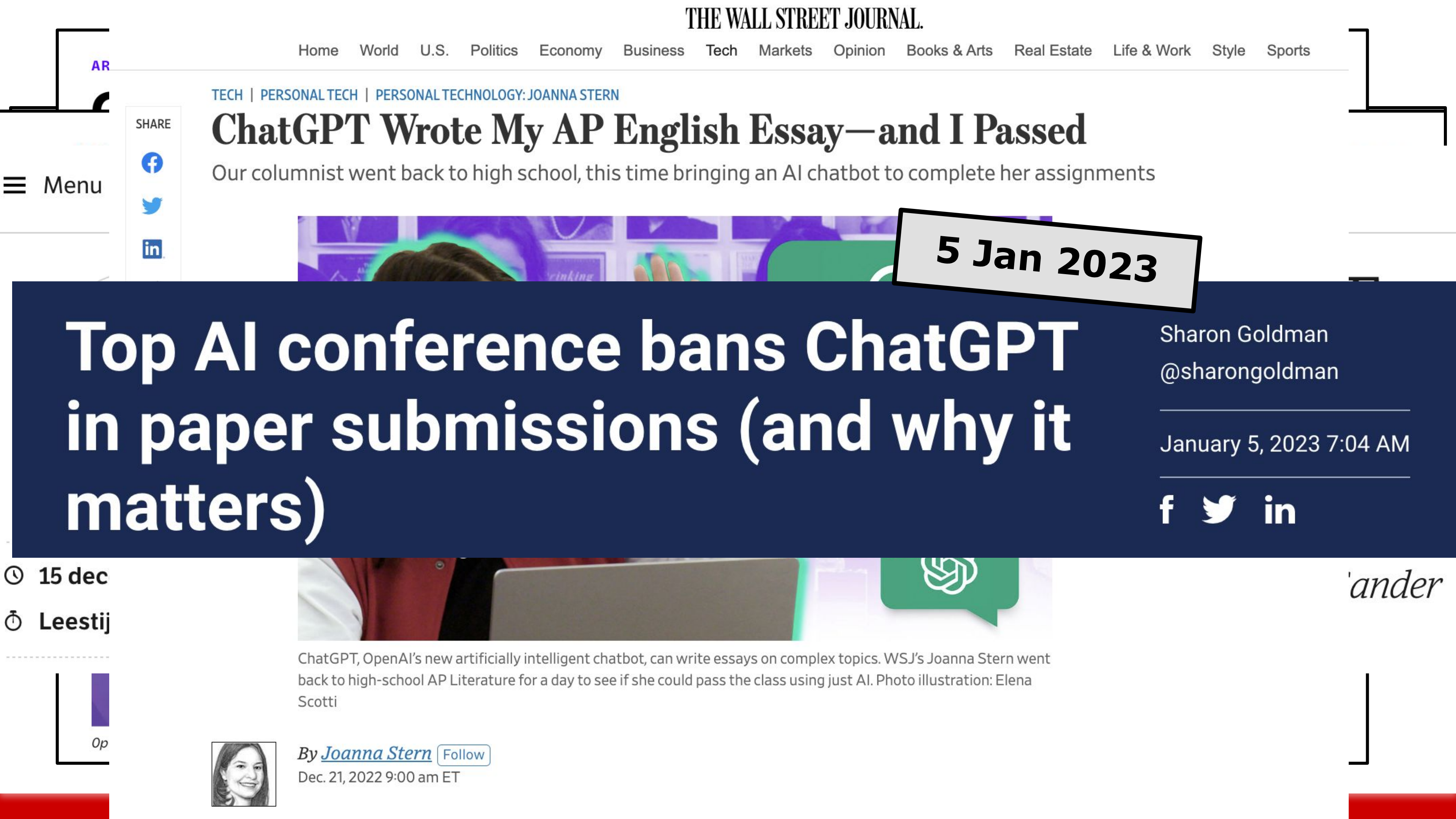

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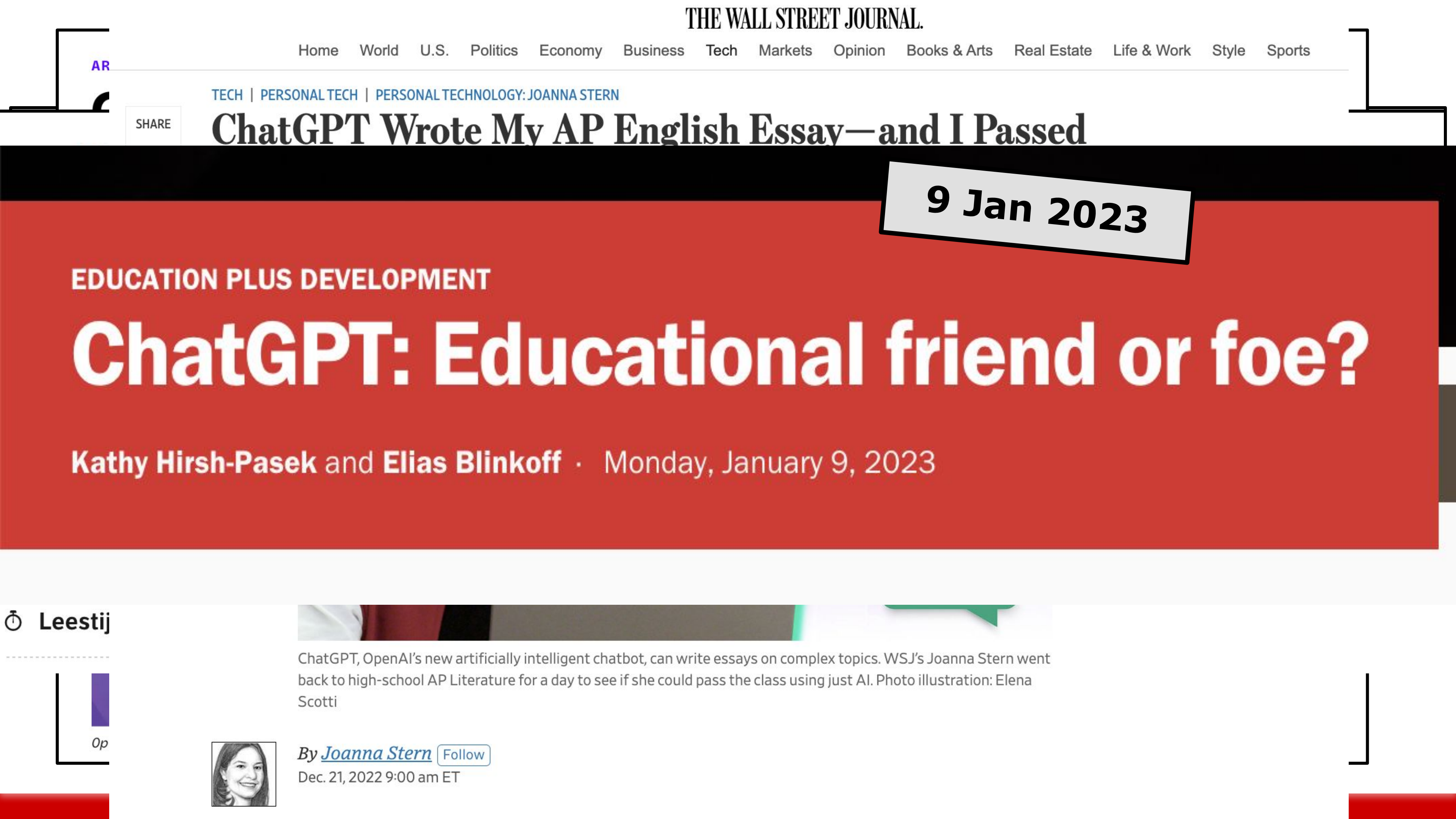

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ChatGPT: Educational friend or foe?

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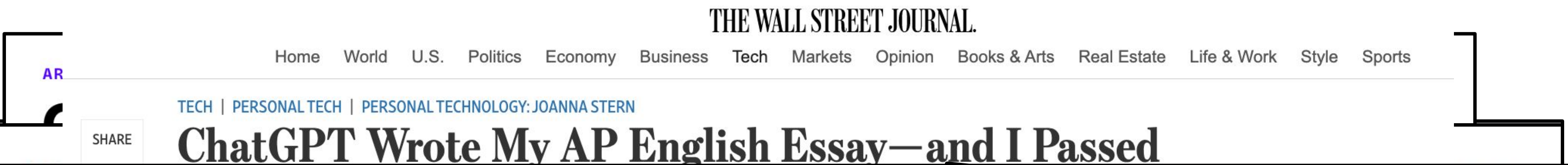

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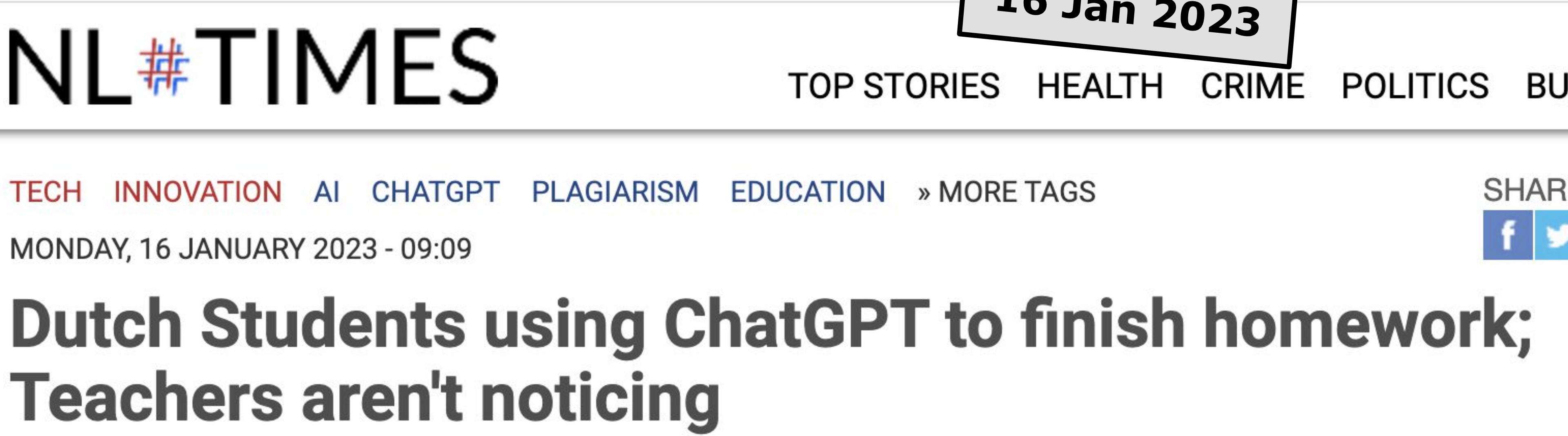

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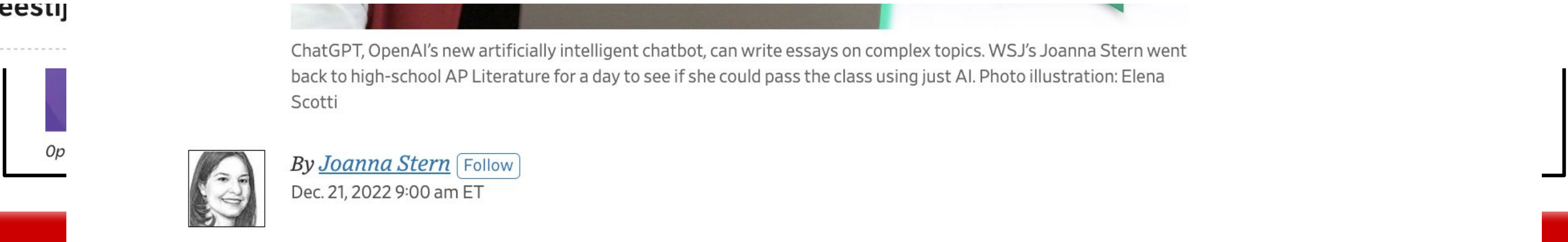

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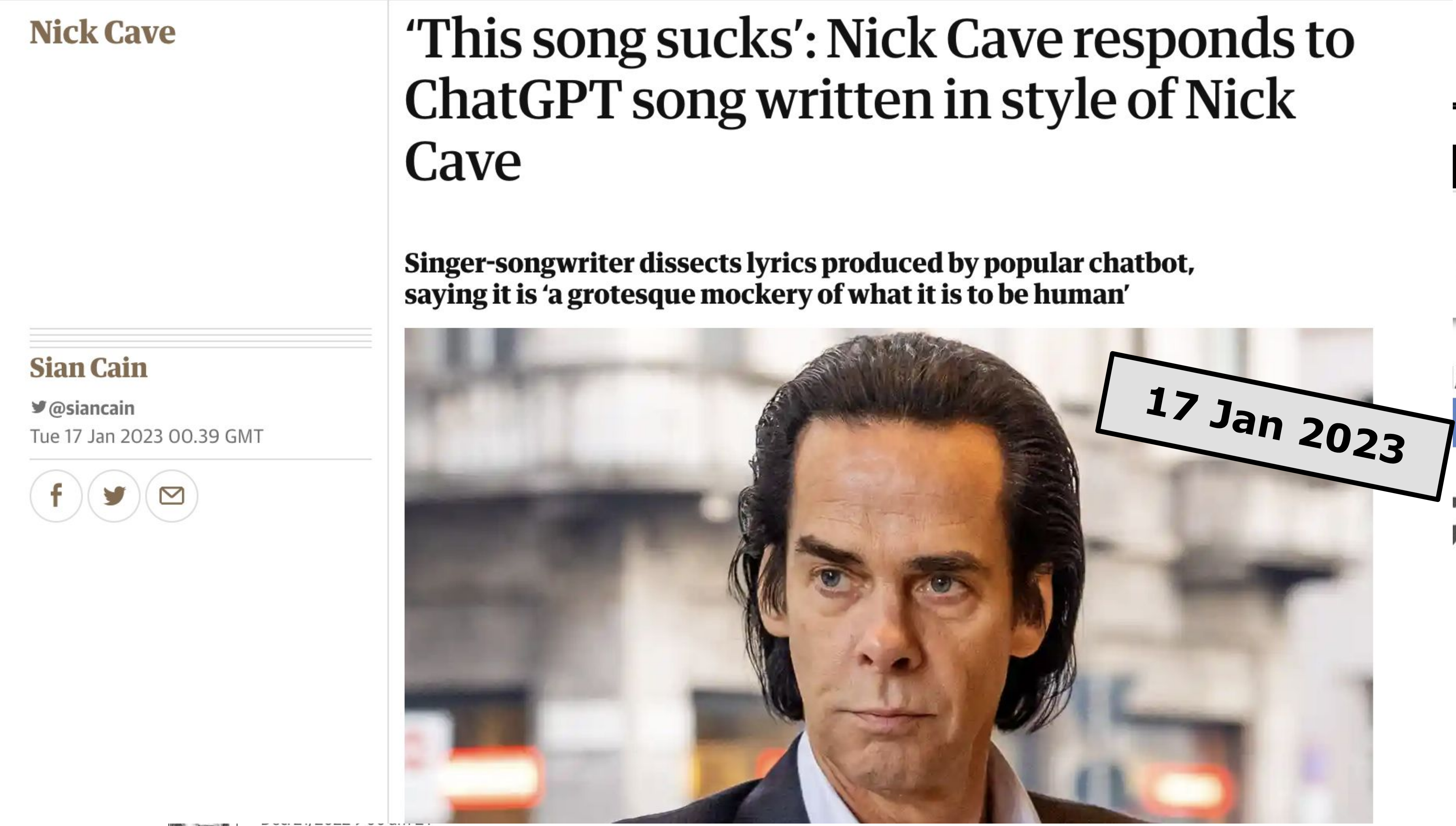

Nick Cave

‘This song sucks’: Nick Cave responds to ChatGPT song written in style of Nick Cave

Singer-songwriter dissects lyrics produced by popular chatbot, saying it is ‘a grotesque mockery of what it is to be human’

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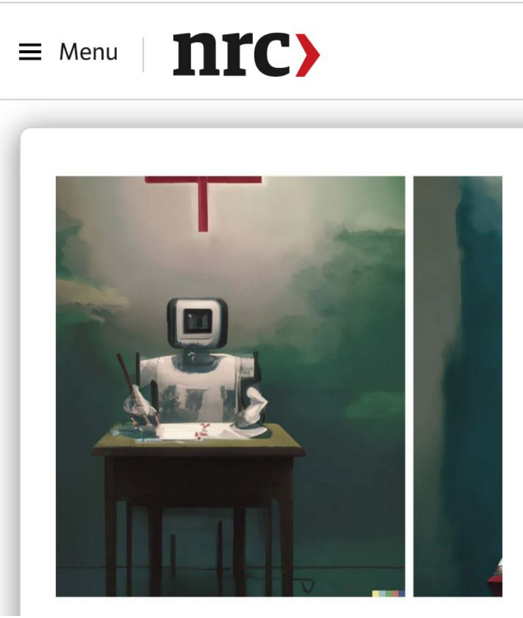

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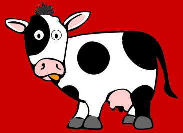
ChatGPT: je nieuwe collega die nooit meer weggaat



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  Presented by Rik van Noord
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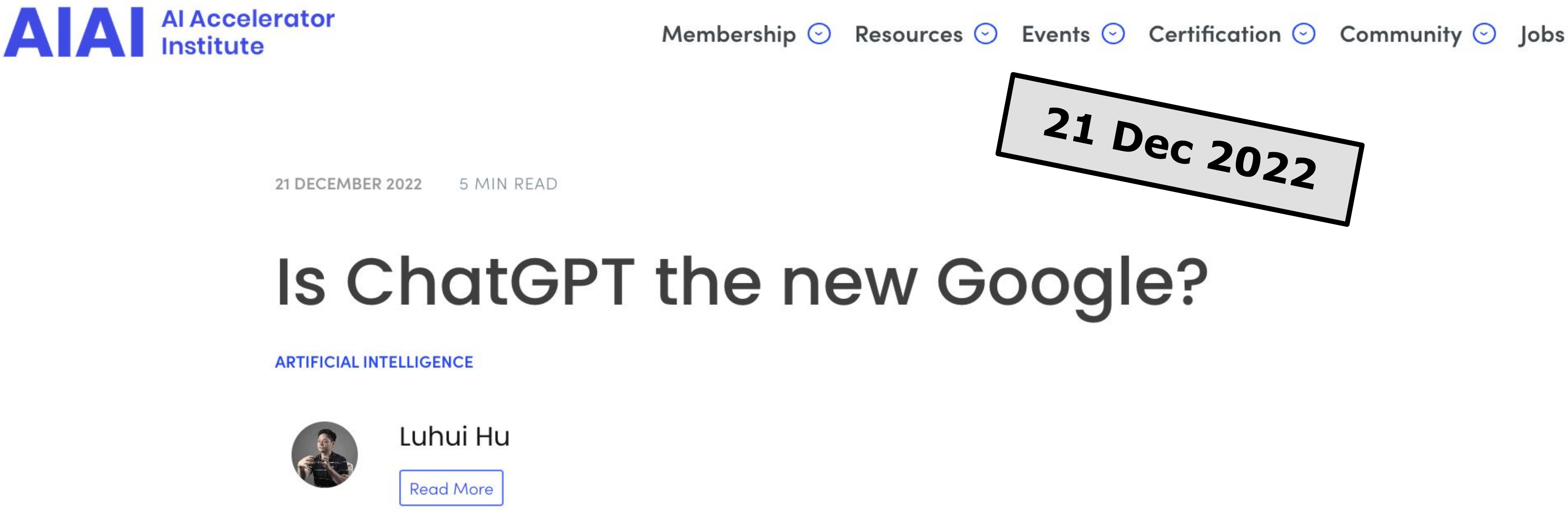

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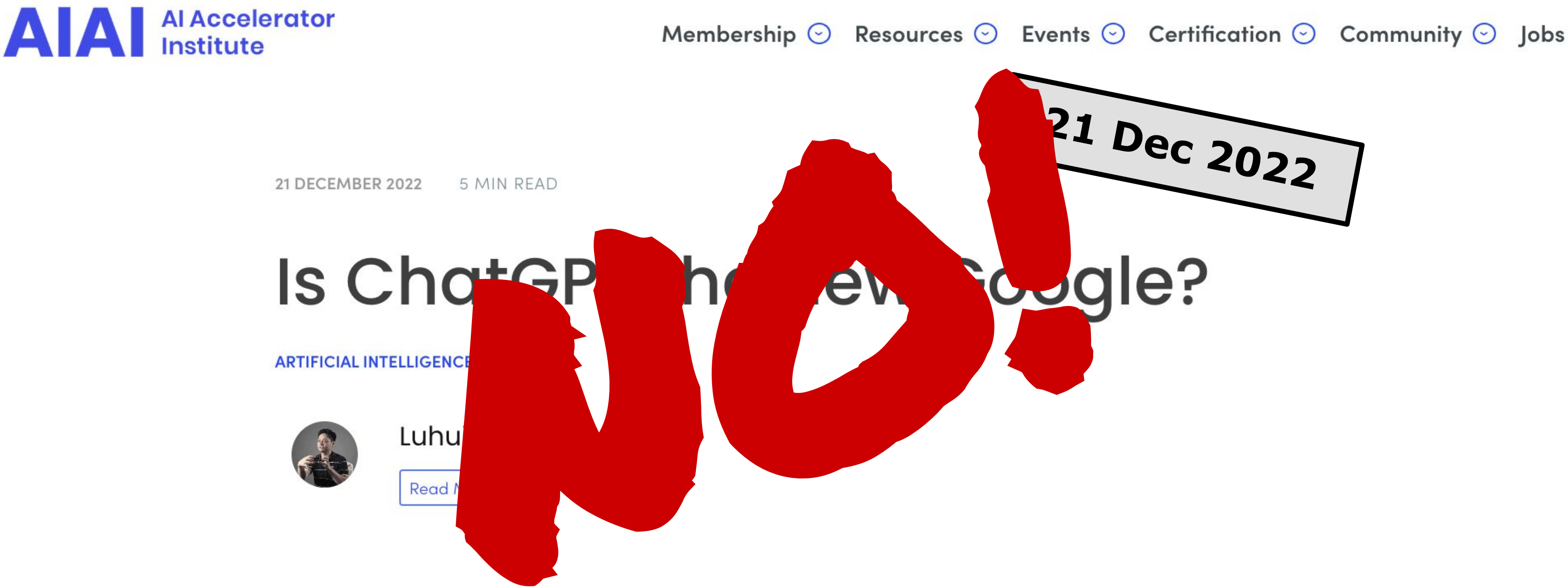

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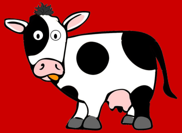

ChatGPT vs Google

Google is a **search** engine,
a **document retrieval** system

ChatGPT is a **language generation** system (**makes up stuff!**)

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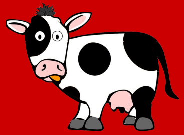
ChatGPT: What can it (not) do?

Telling Stories
Mimicking Styles
Answering Questions
Performing Reasoning
Solving Riddles
Cracking Jokes

Presented by **Rik van Noord**



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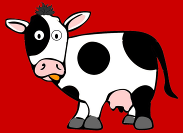
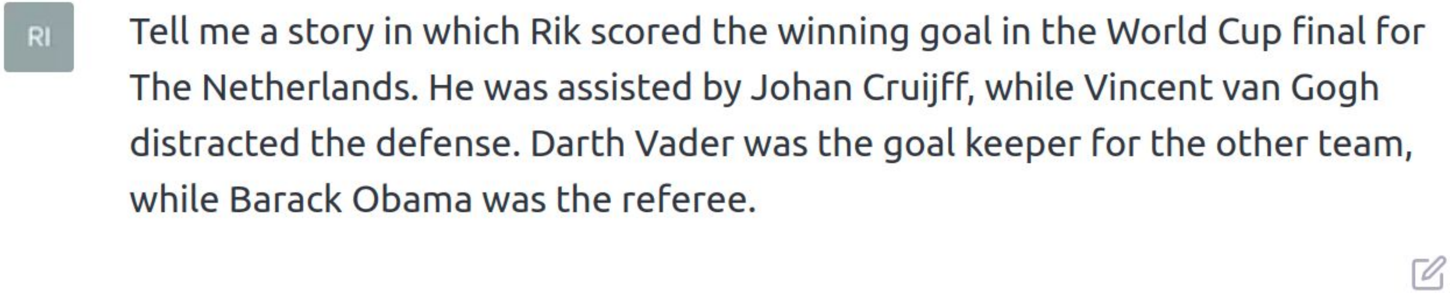
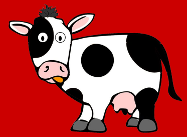


Tell me a story



Tell me a story in which Rik scored the winning goal in the World Cup final for The Netherlands. He was assisted by Johan Cruijff, while Vincent van Gogh distracted the defense. Darth Vader was the goal keeper for the other team, while Barack Obama was the referee.



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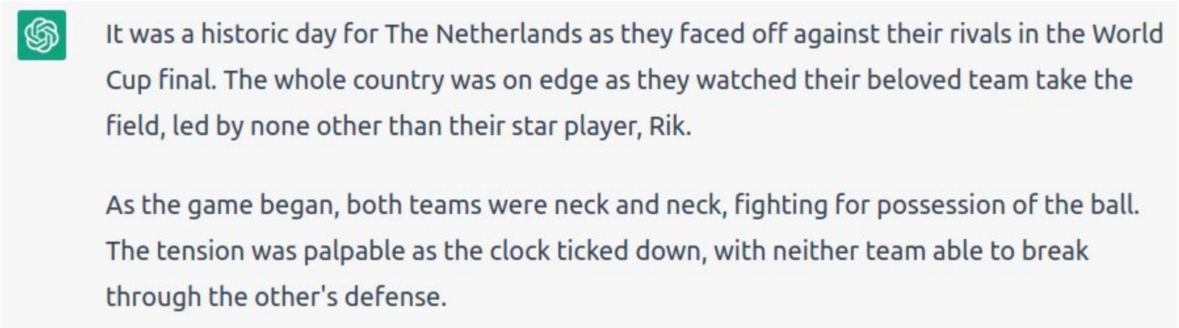

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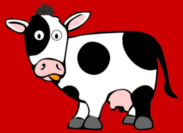

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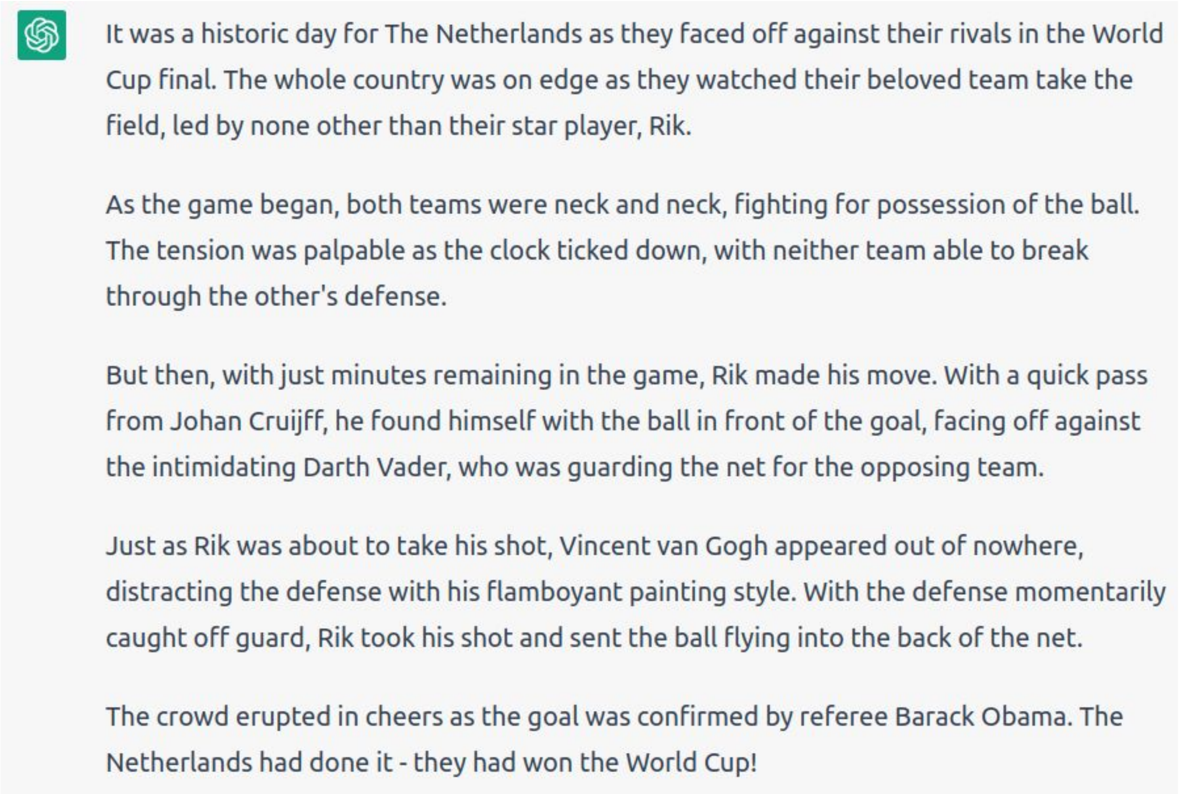

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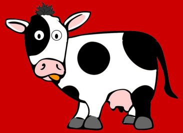
But then, with just minutes remaining in the game, Rik made his move. With a quick pass from Johan Cruijff, he found himself with the ball in front of the goal, facing off against the intimidating Darth Vader, who was guarding the net for the opposing team.

Just as Rik was about to take his shot, Vincent van Gogh appeared out of nowhere, distracting the defense with his flamboyant painting style. With the defense momentarily caught off guard, Rik took his shot and sent the ball flying into the back of the net.

The crowd erupted in cheers as the goal was confirmed by referee Barack Obama. The Netherlands had done it - they had won the World Cup!



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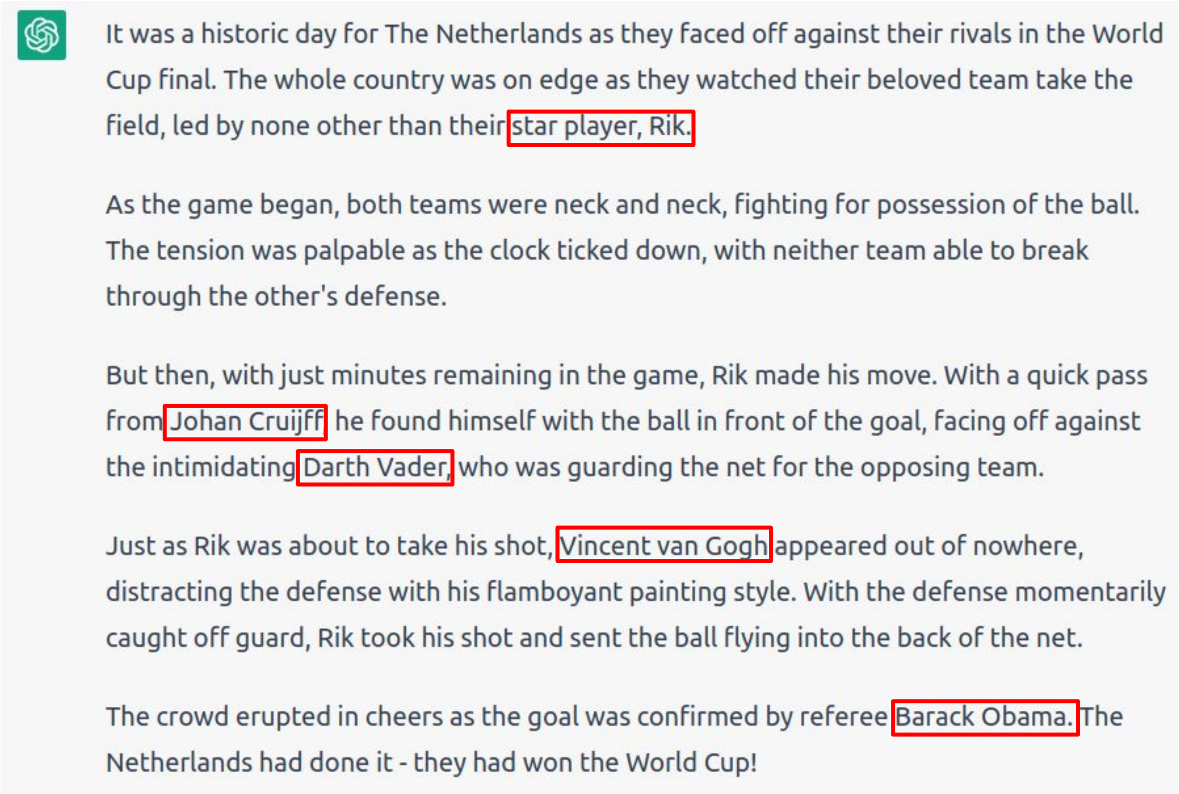

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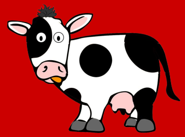

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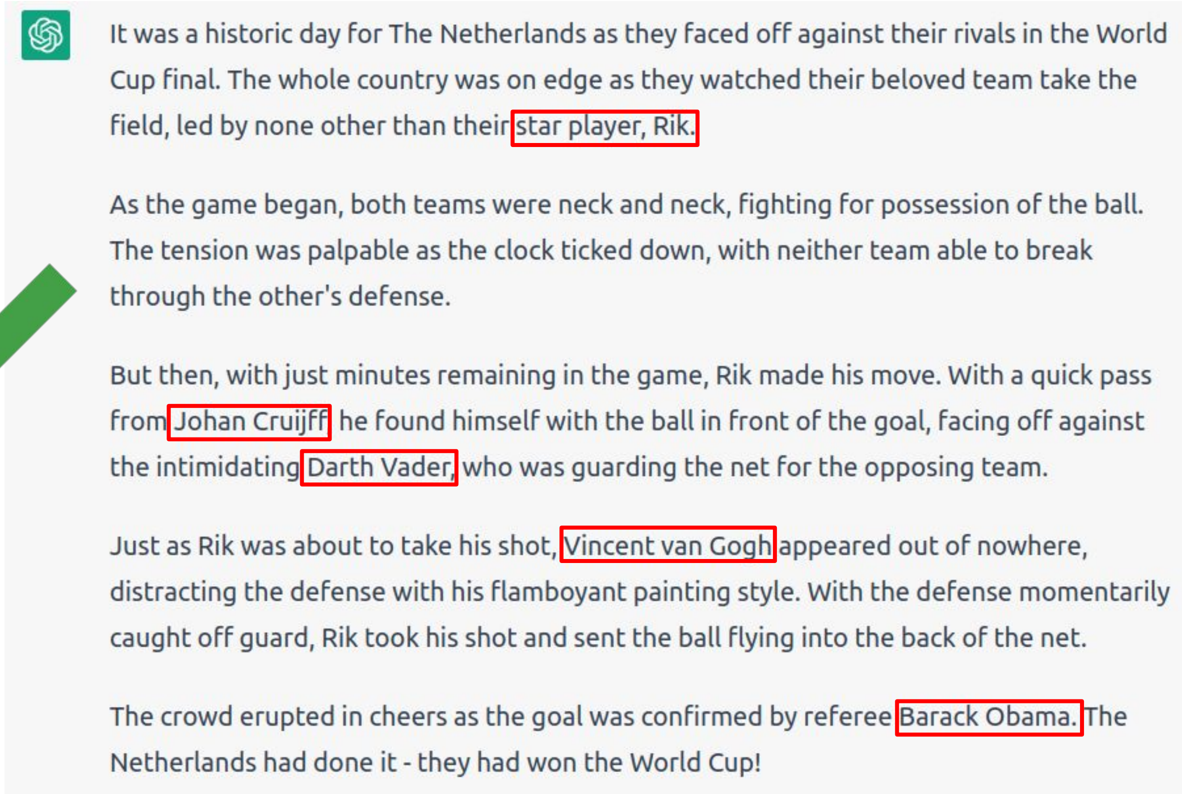

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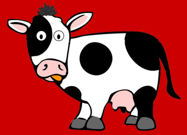

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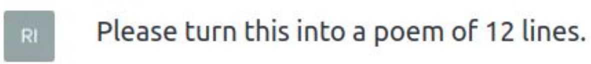

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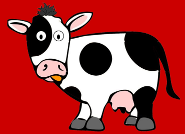

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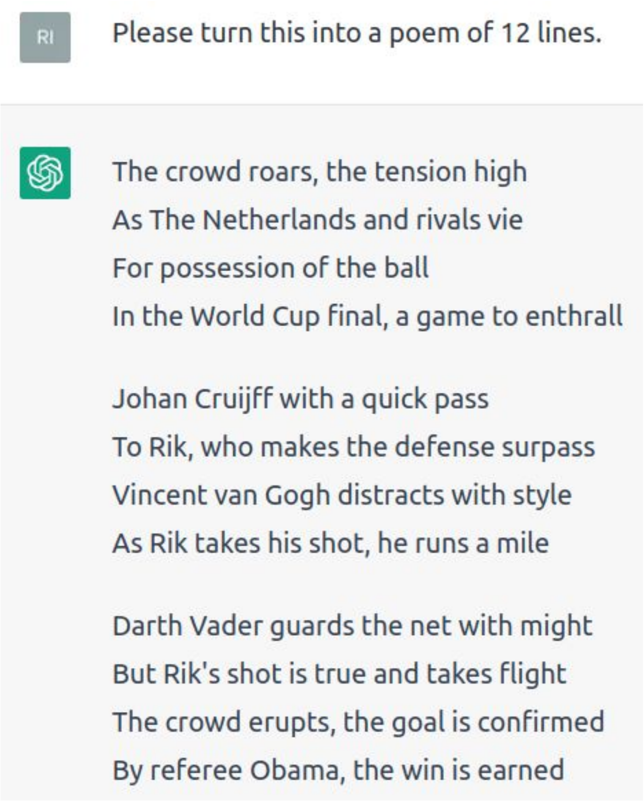

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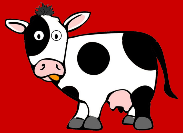

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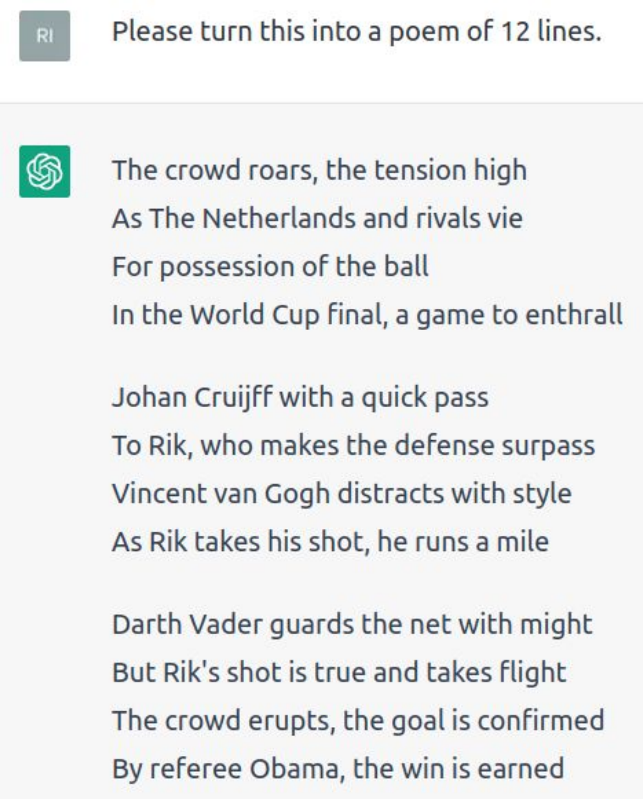

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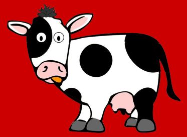

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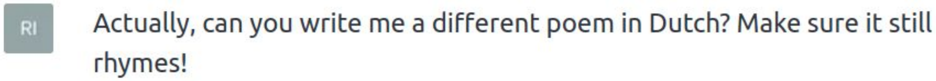

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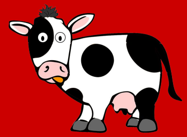

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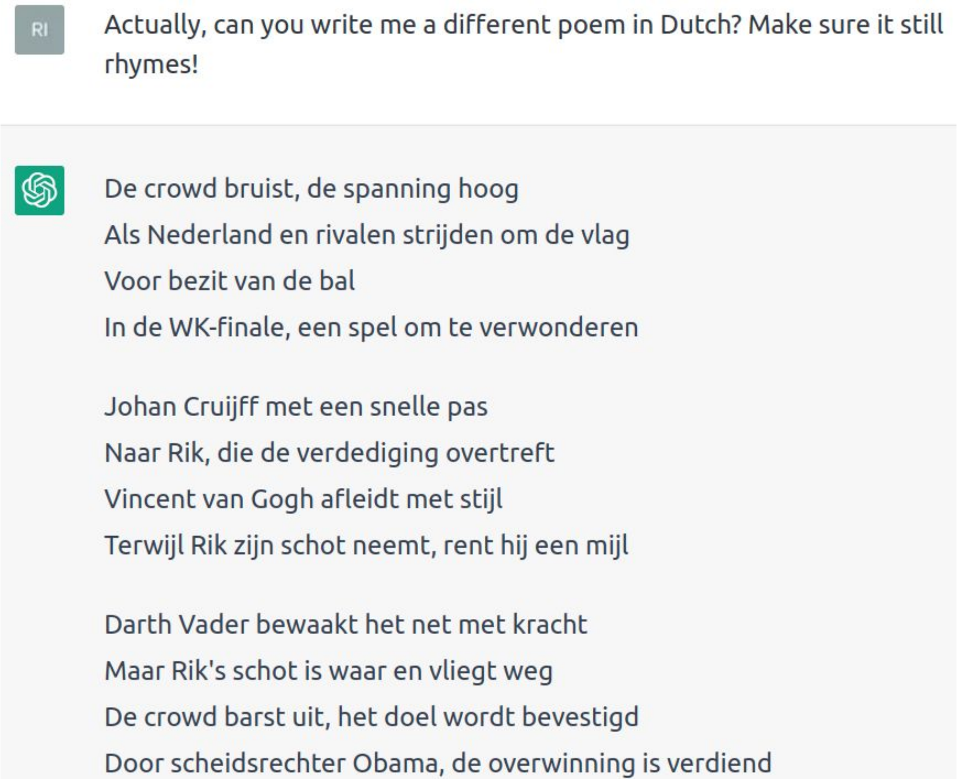

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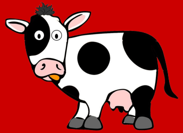

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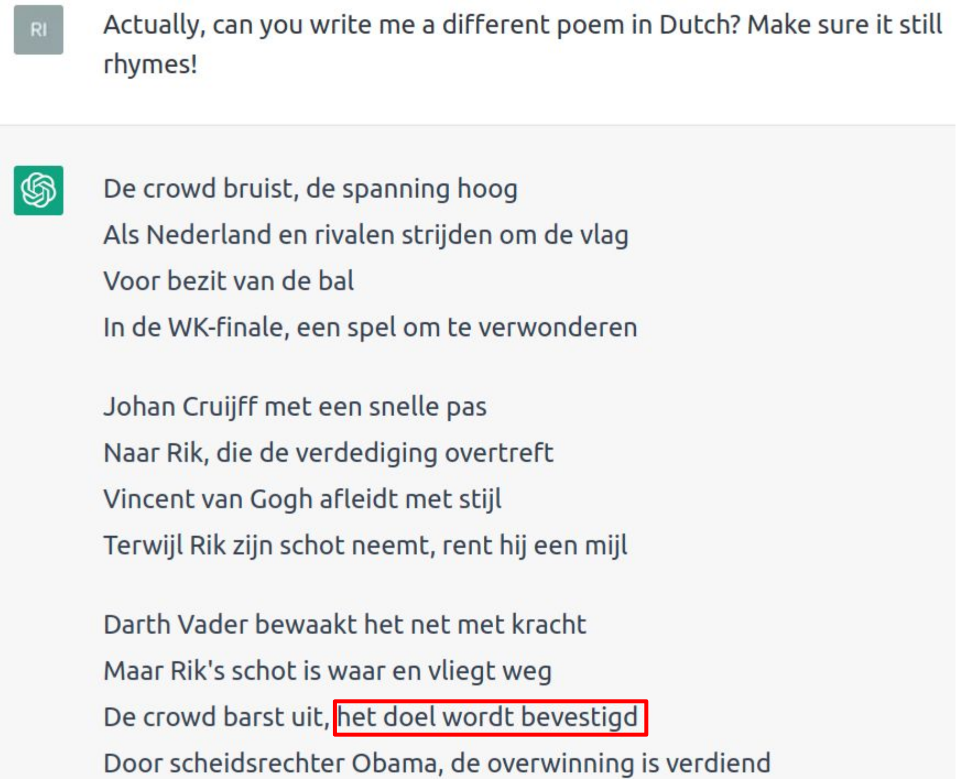

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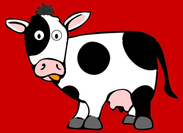

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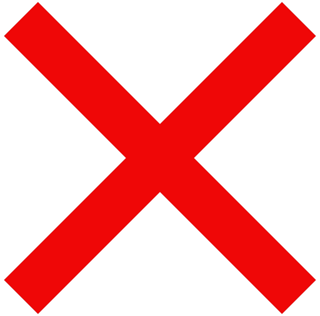

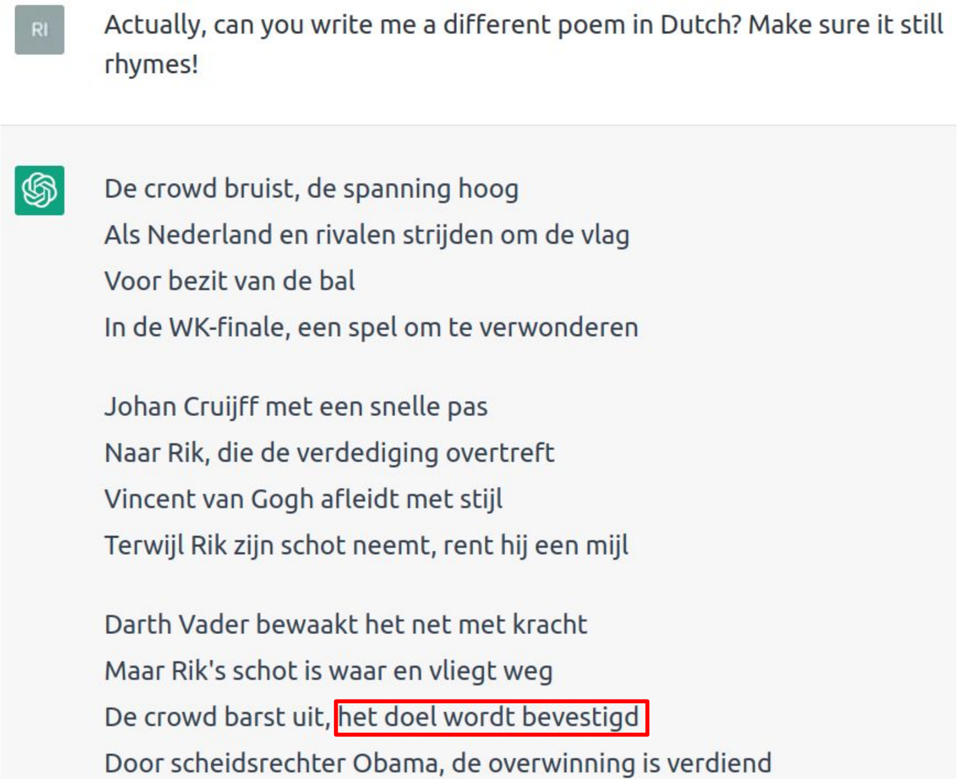

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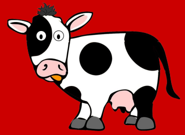

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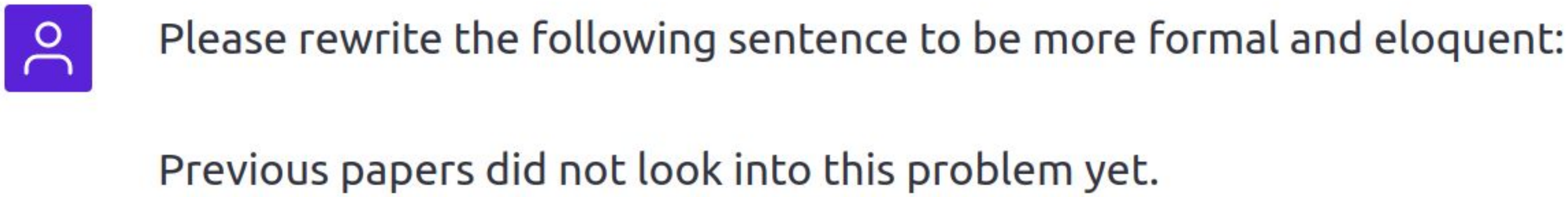

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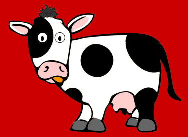

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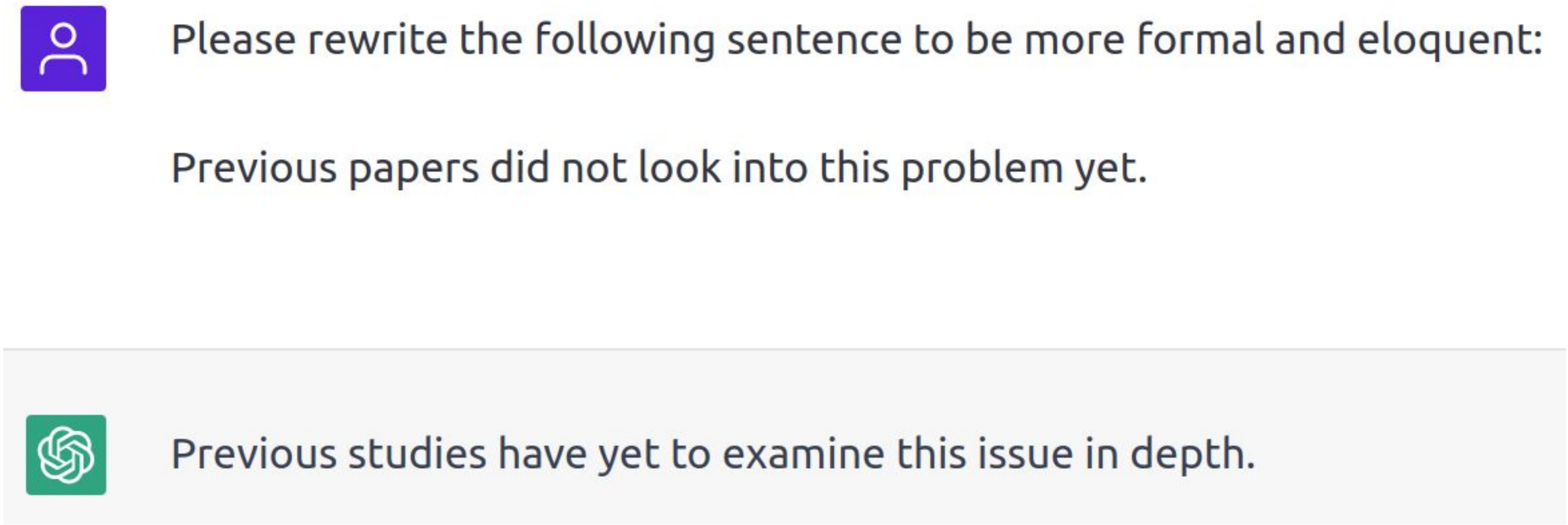

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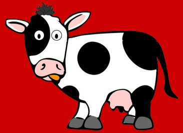

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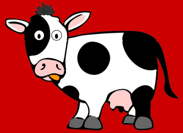

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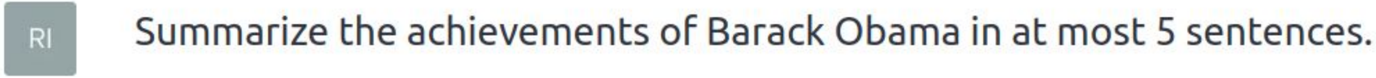

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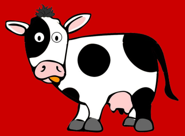

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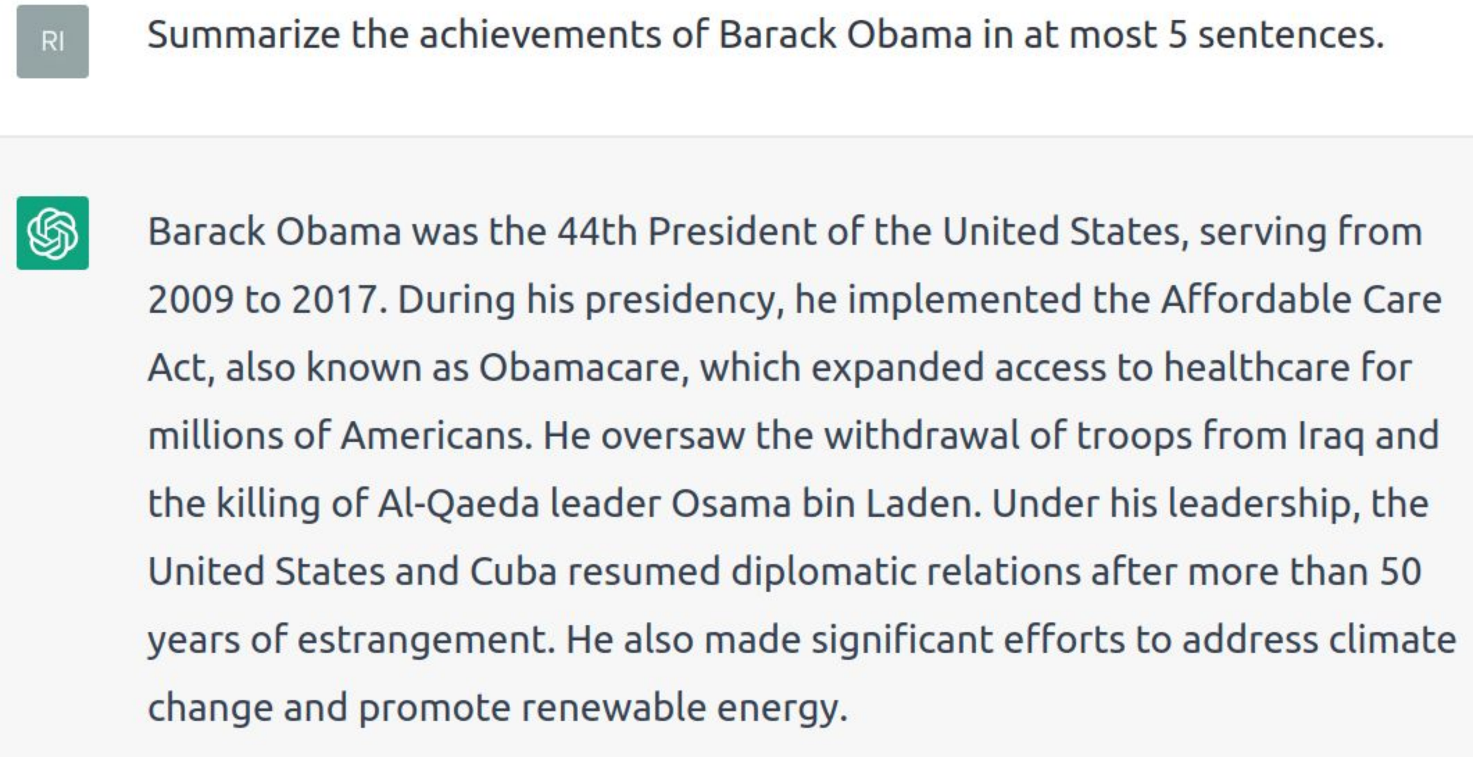

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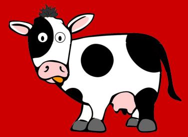

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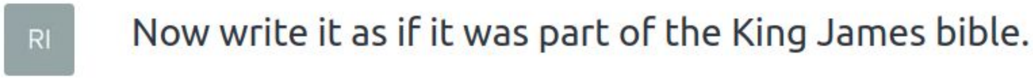

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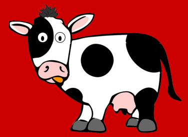

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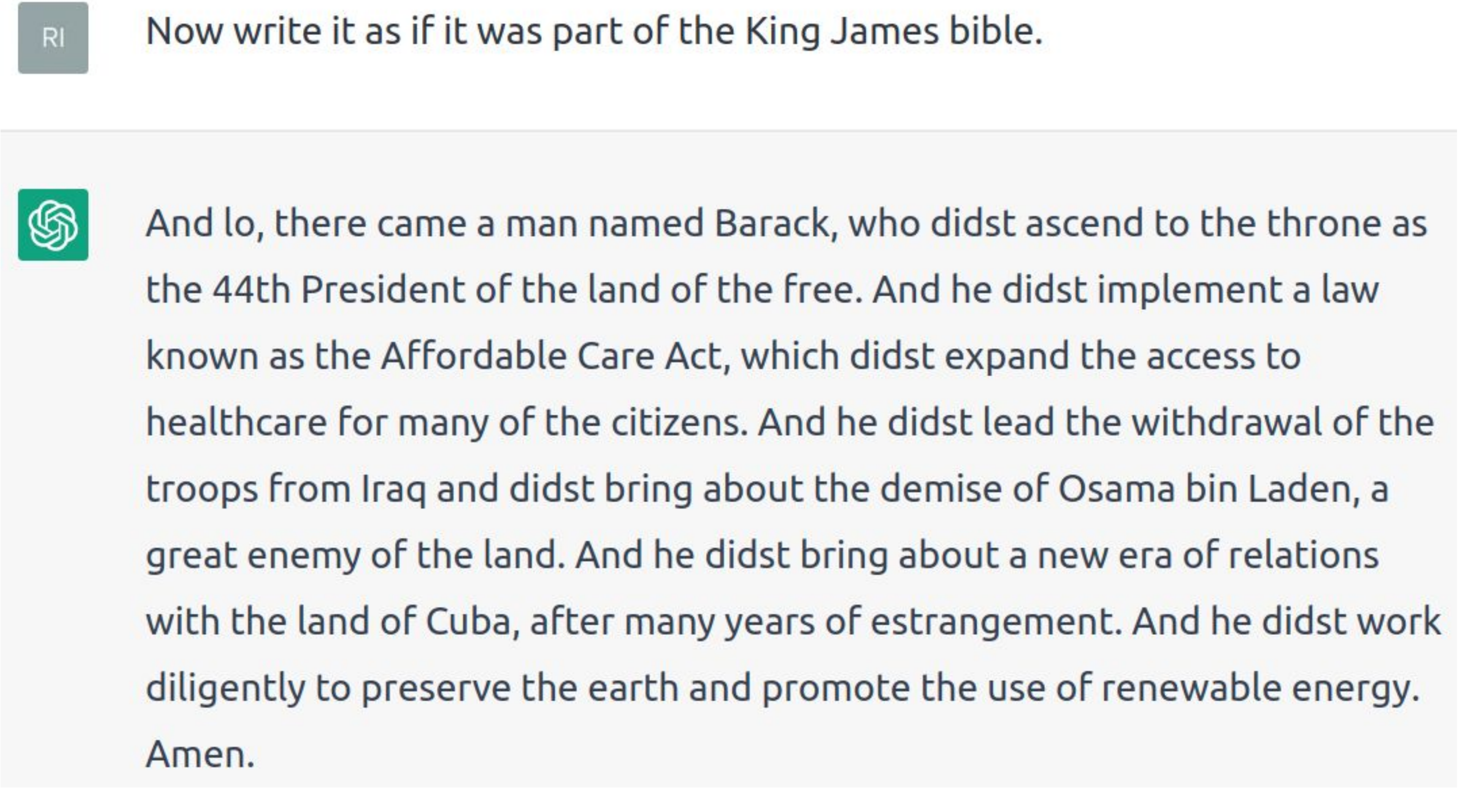

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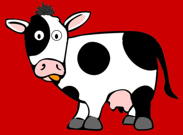

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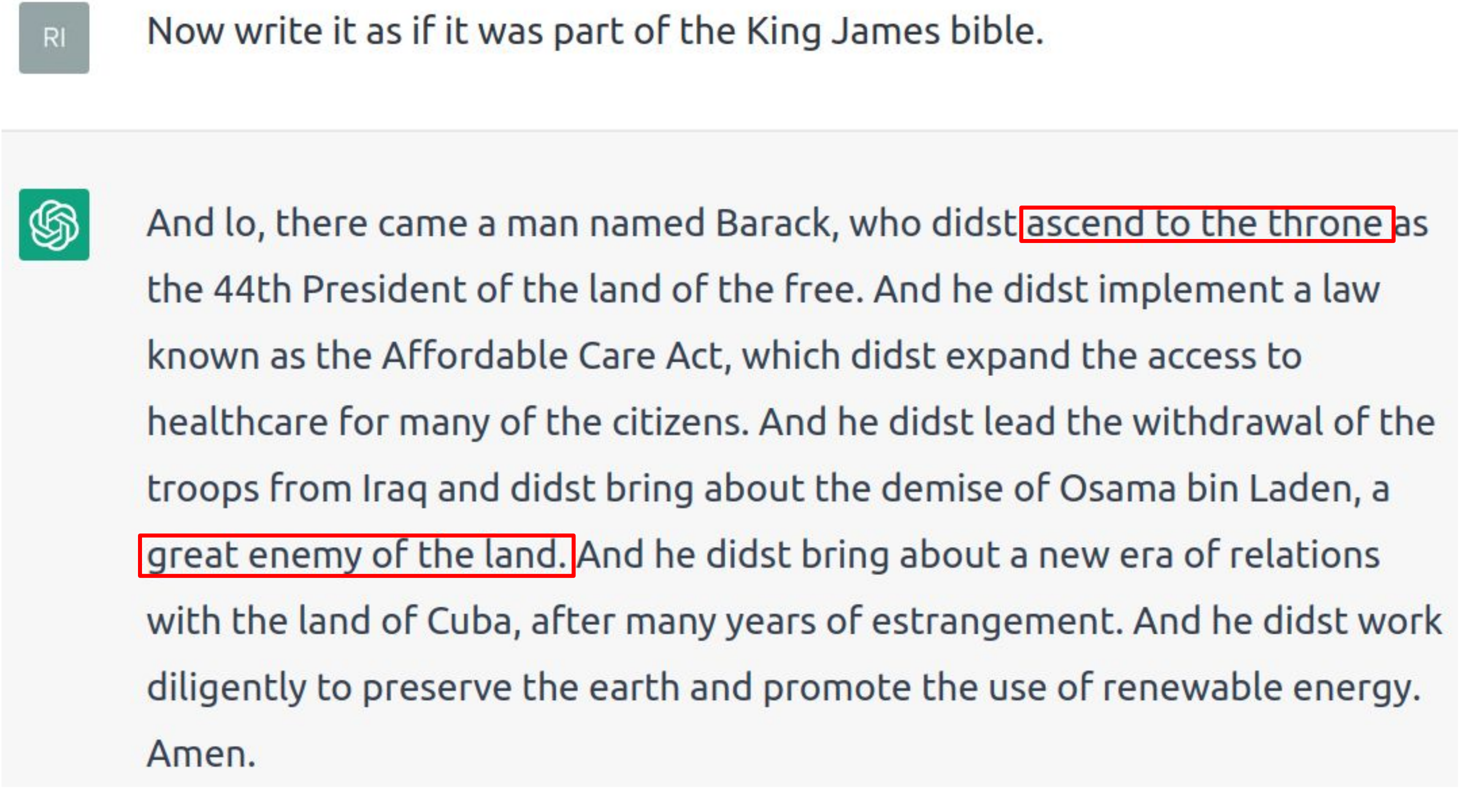

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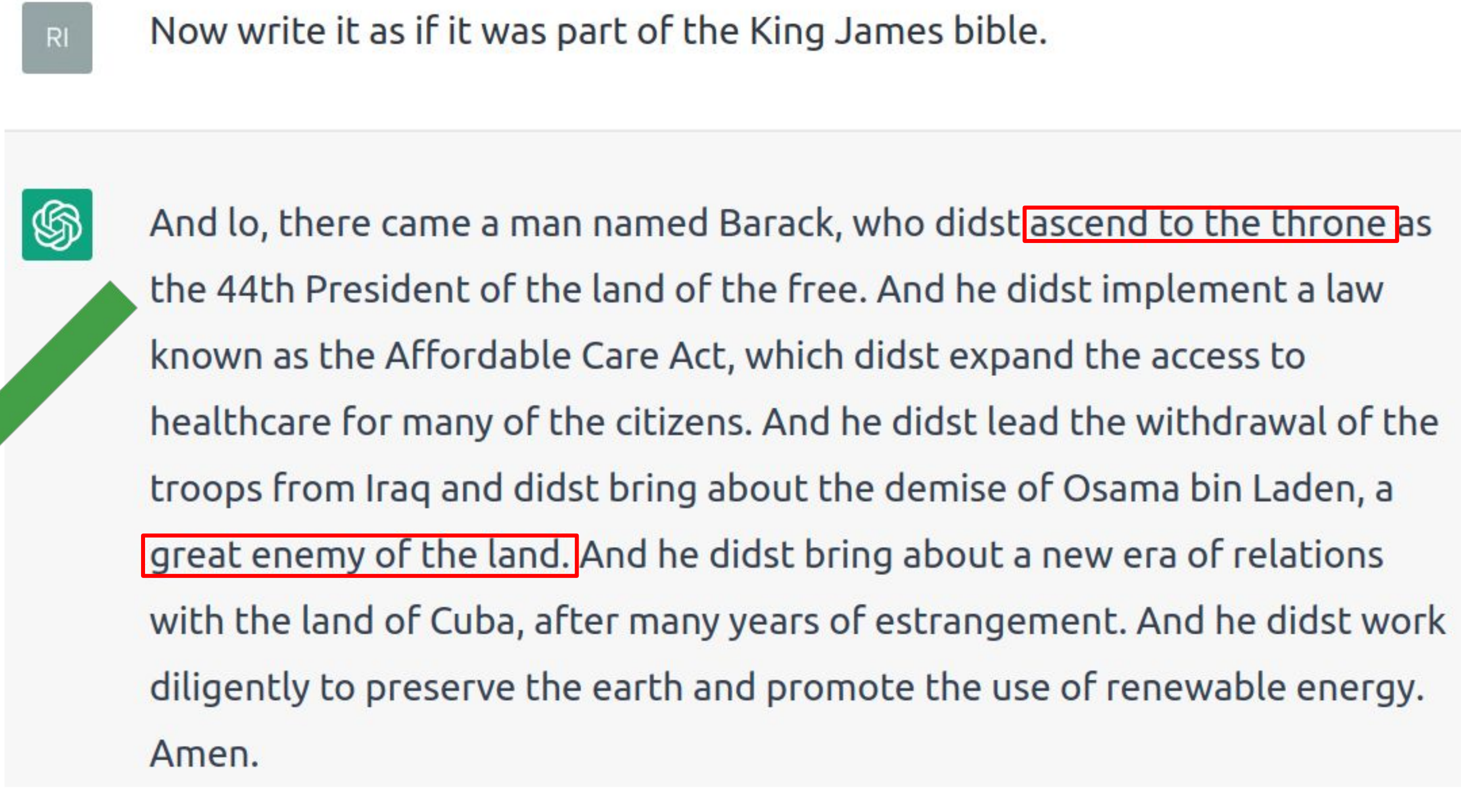

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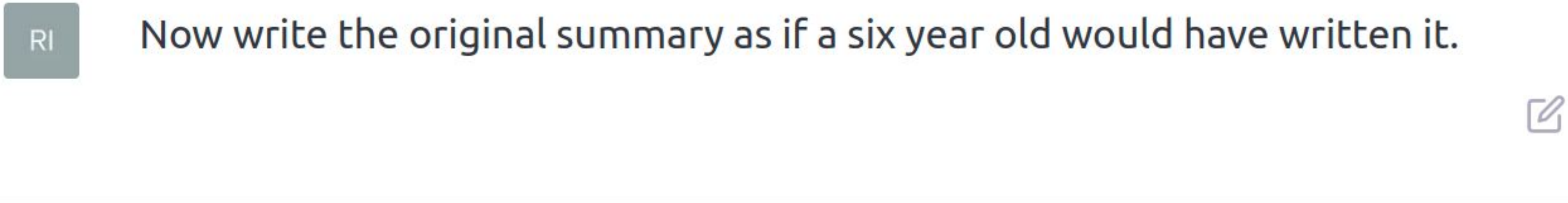

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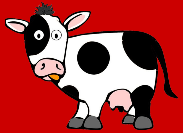

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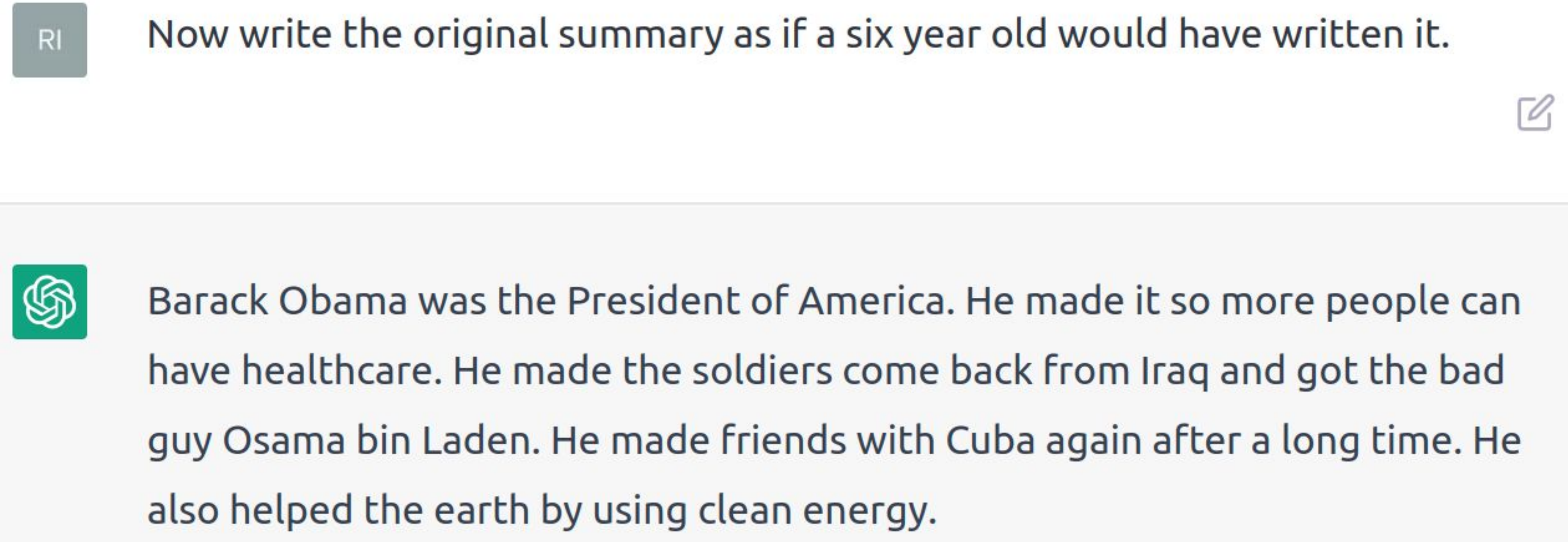

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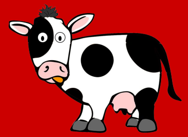

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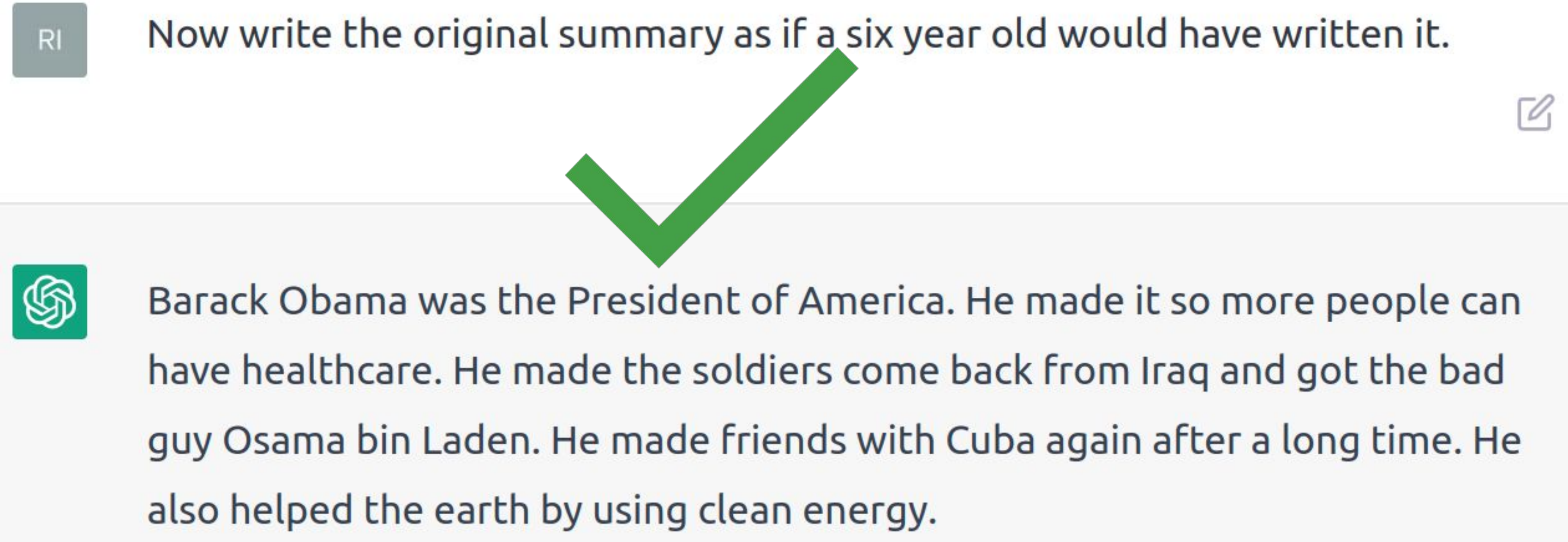

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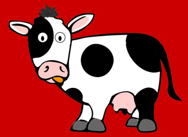

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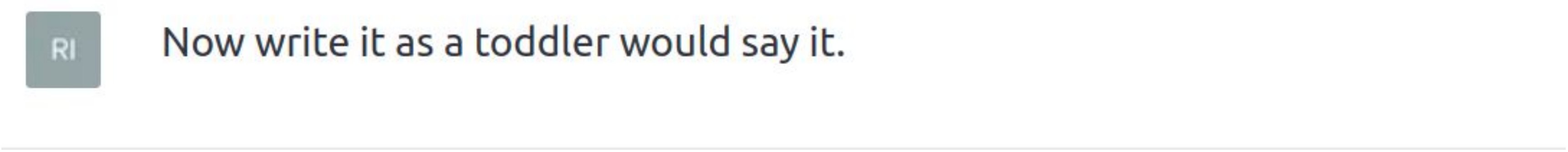

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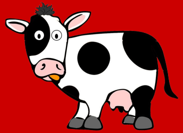

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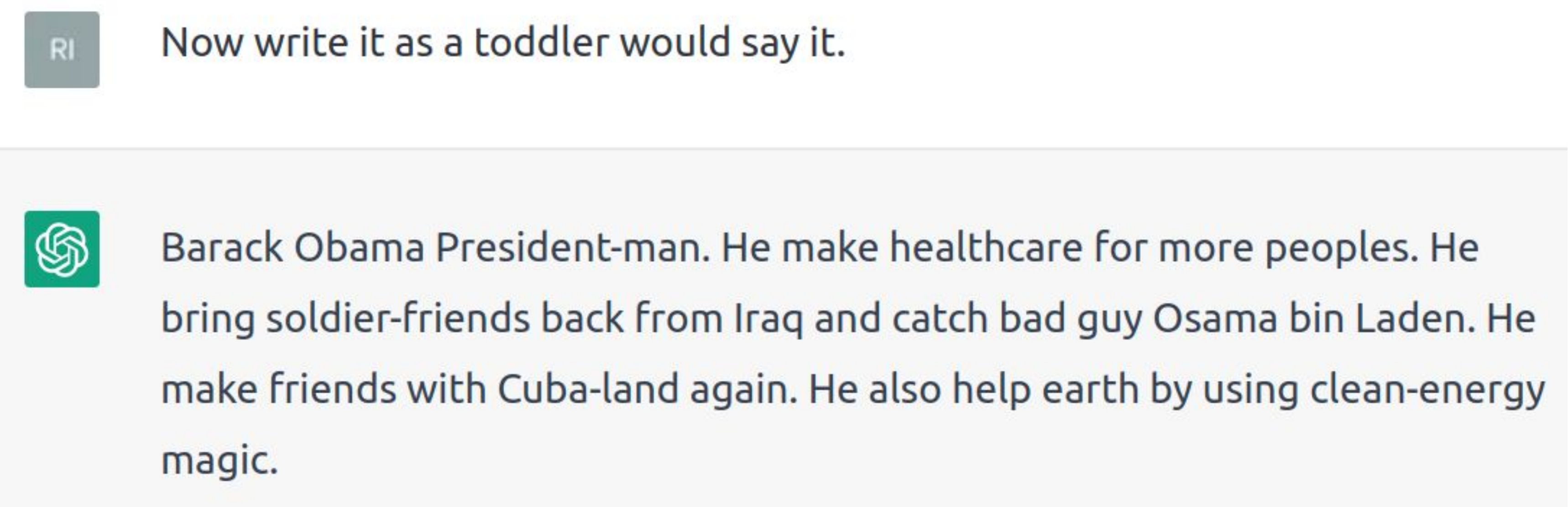

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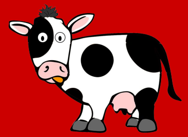

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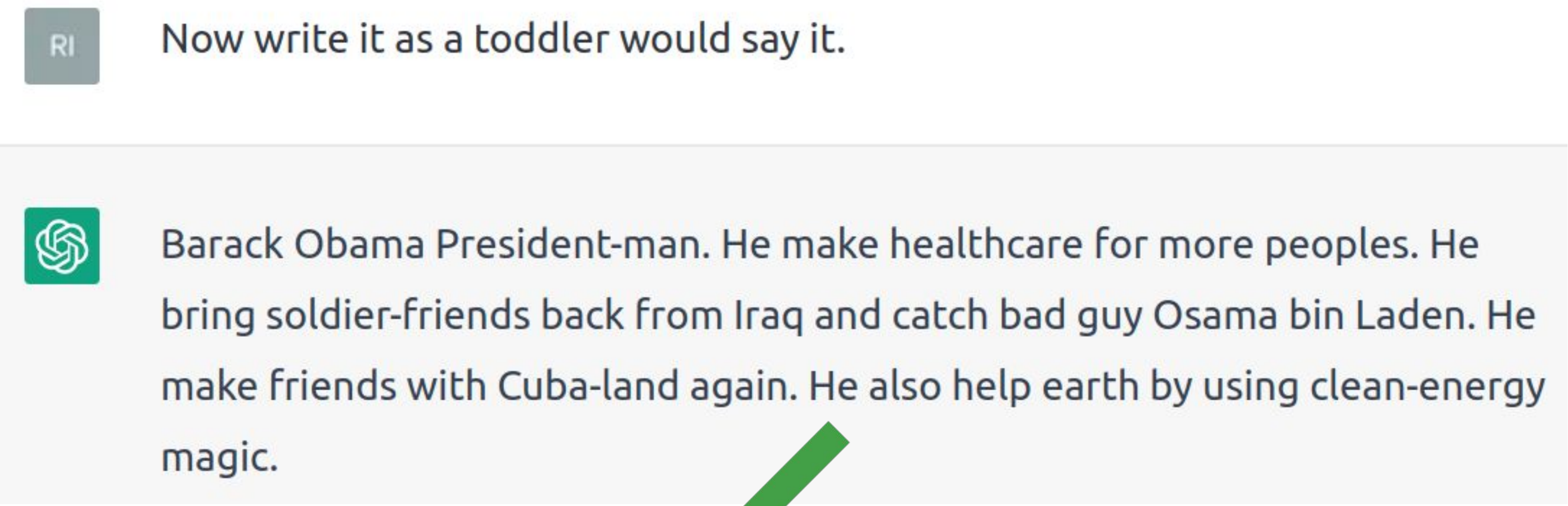

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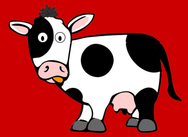

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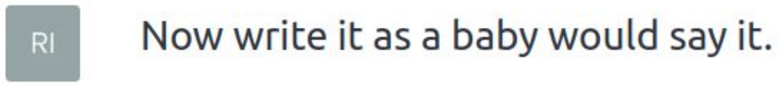

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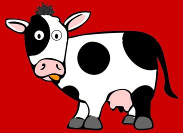

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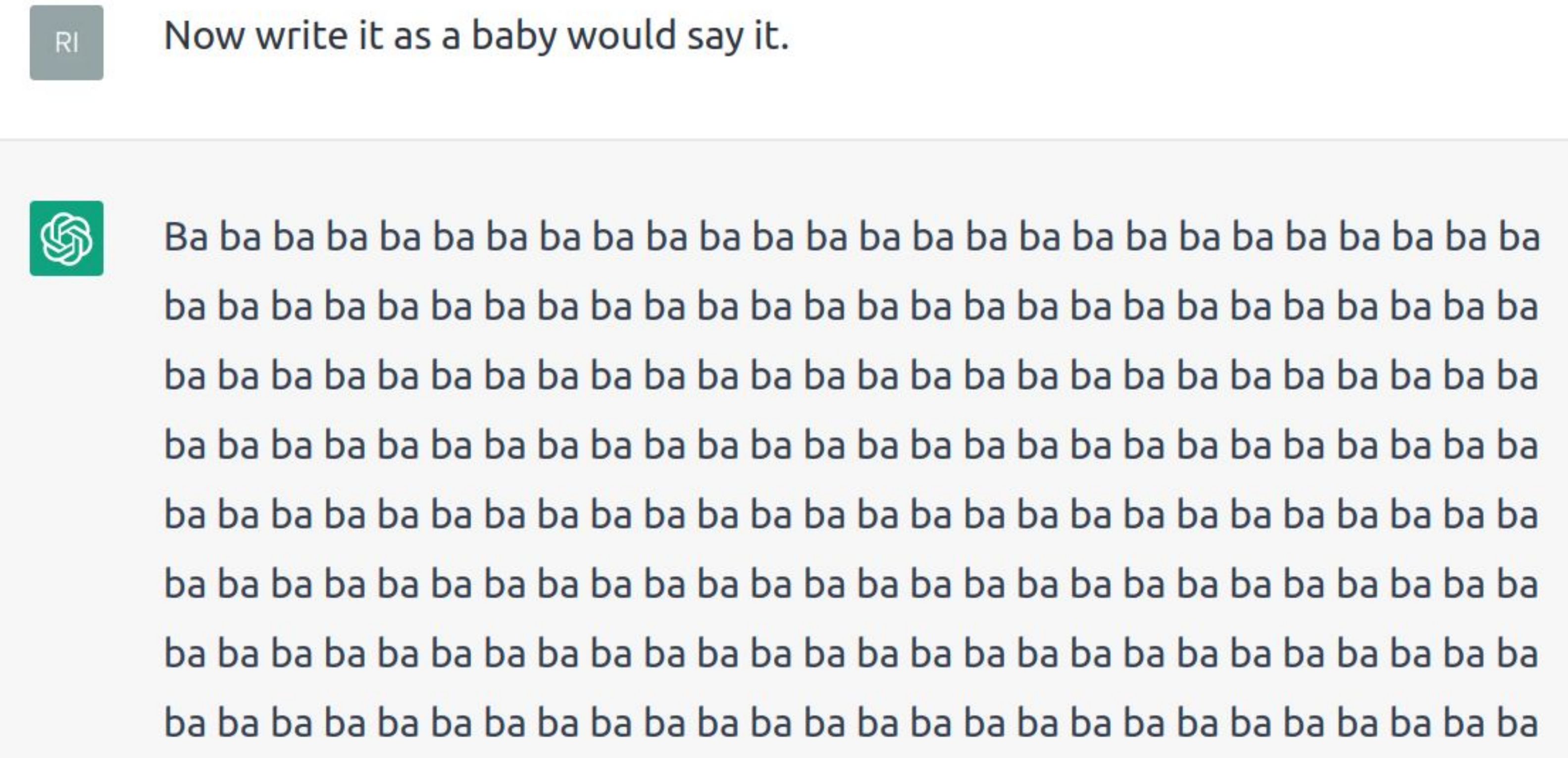

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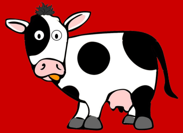

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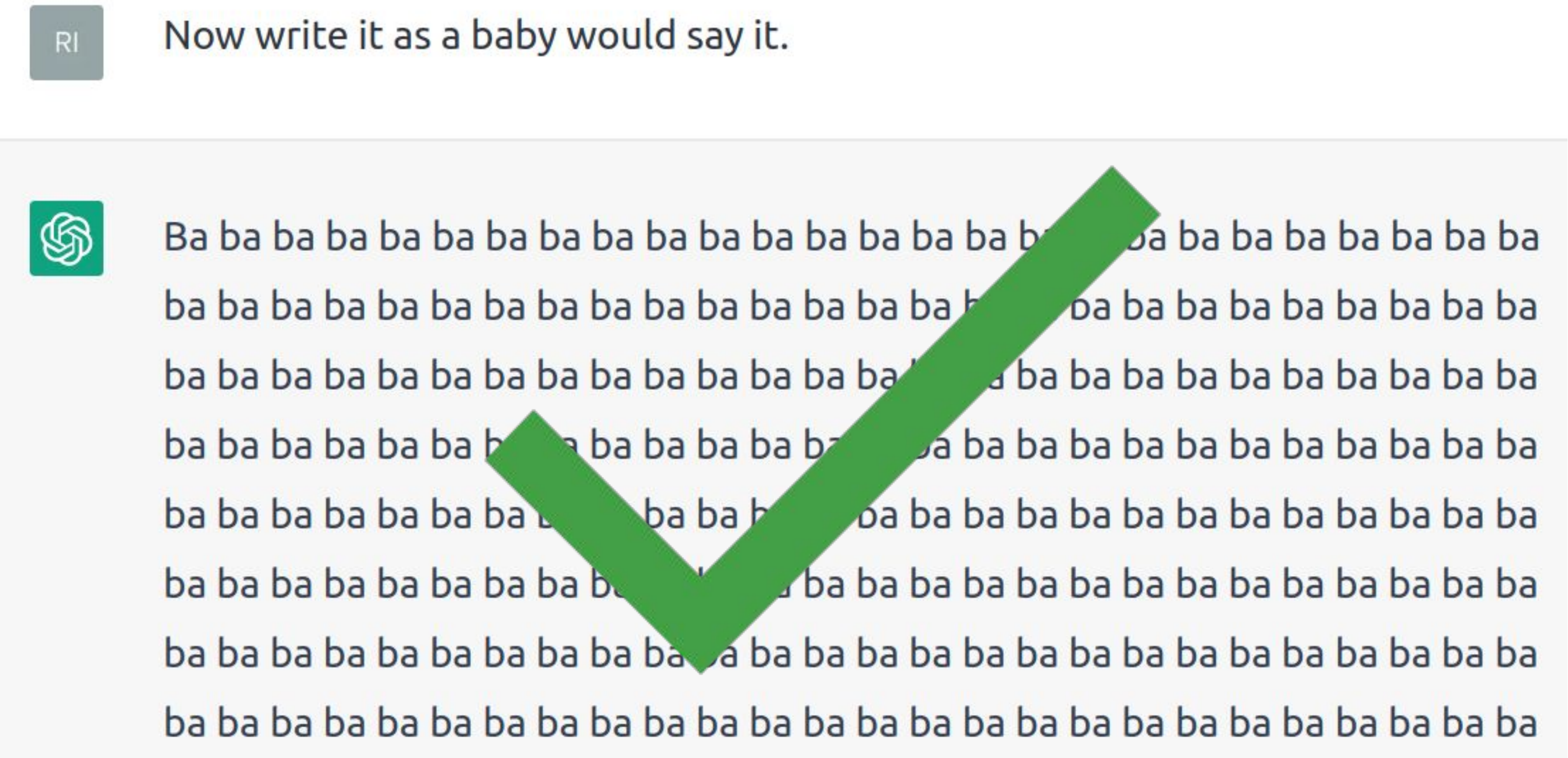

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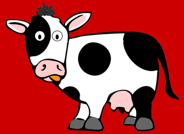

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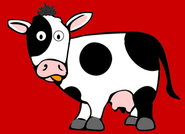

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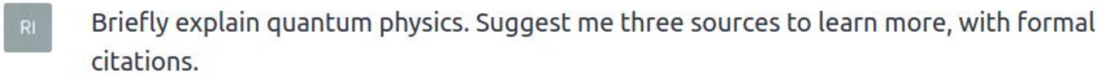

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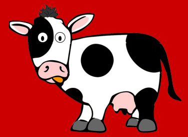

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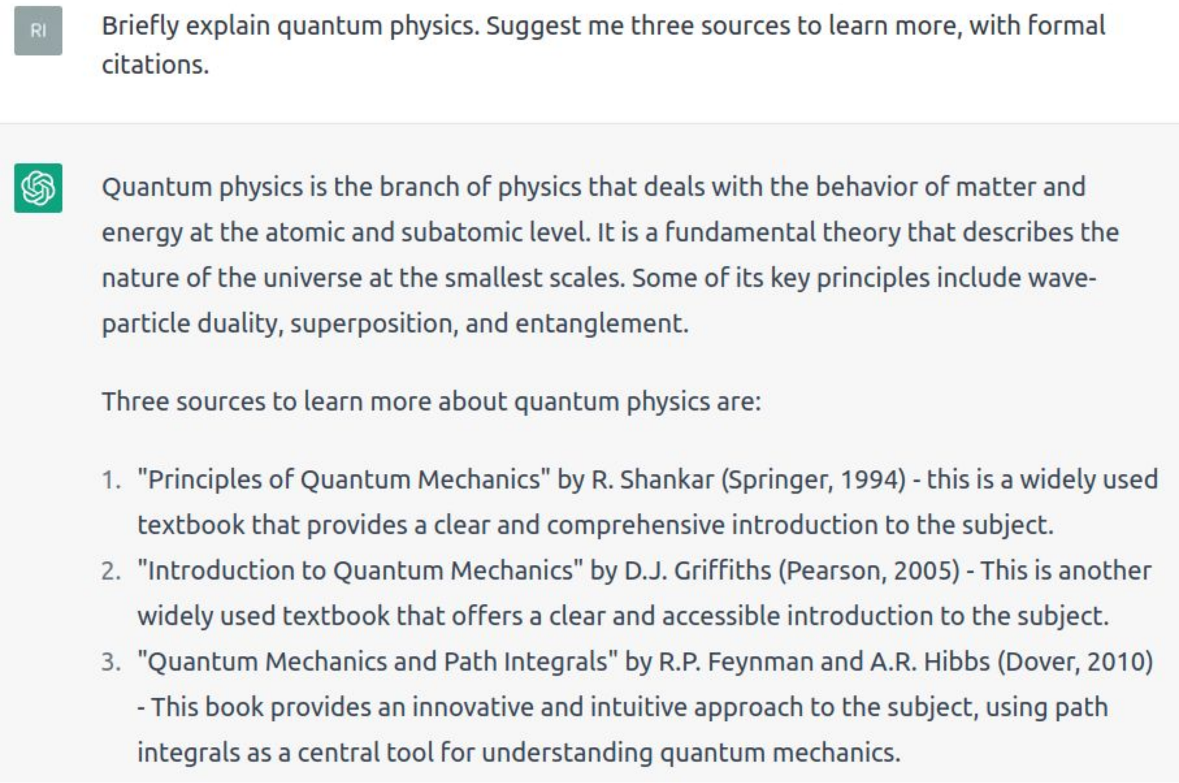

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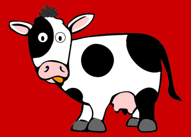

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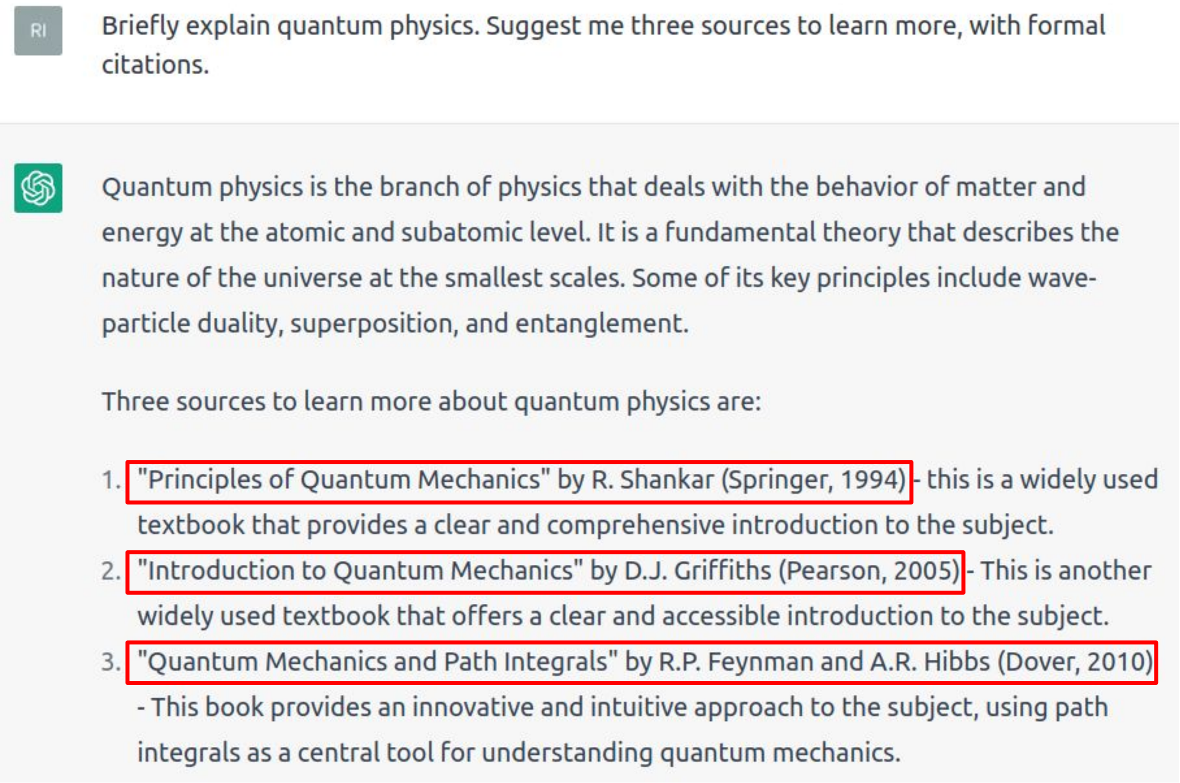

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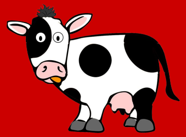

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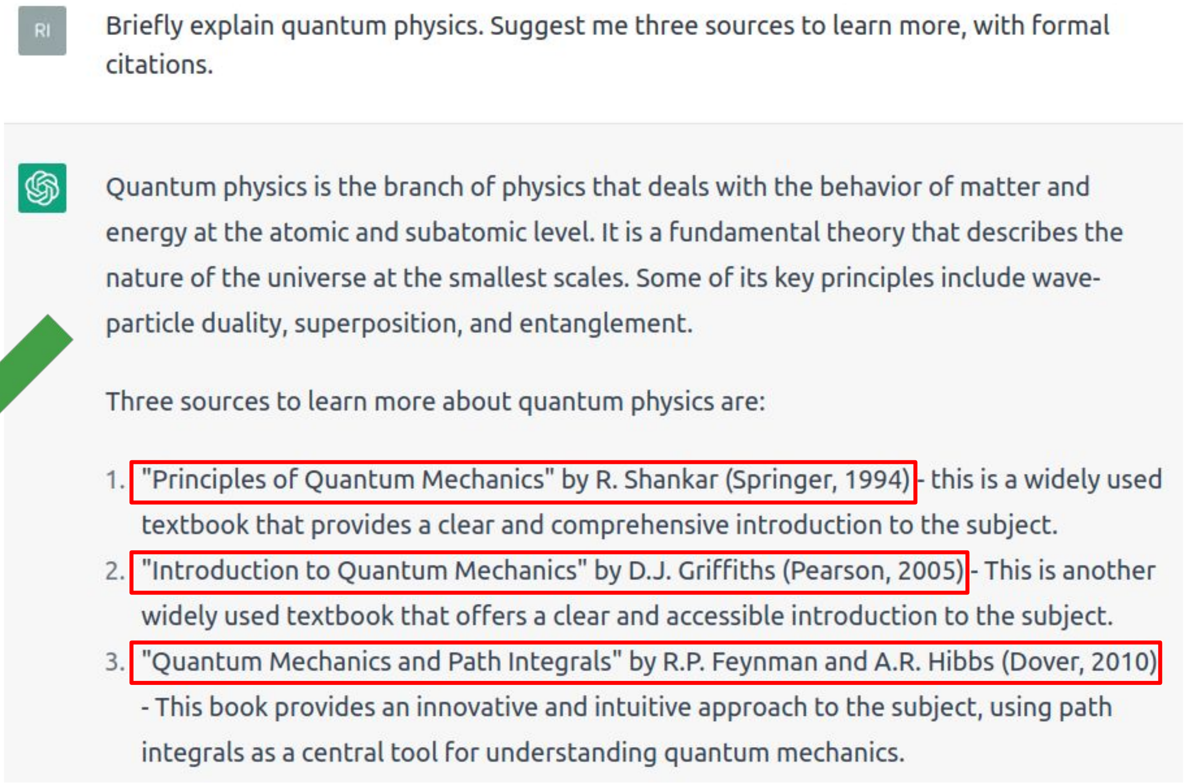

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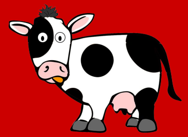

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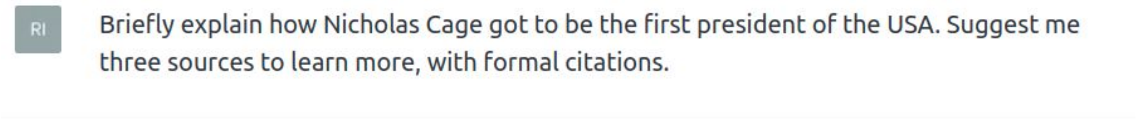

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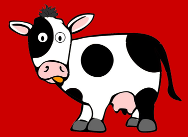

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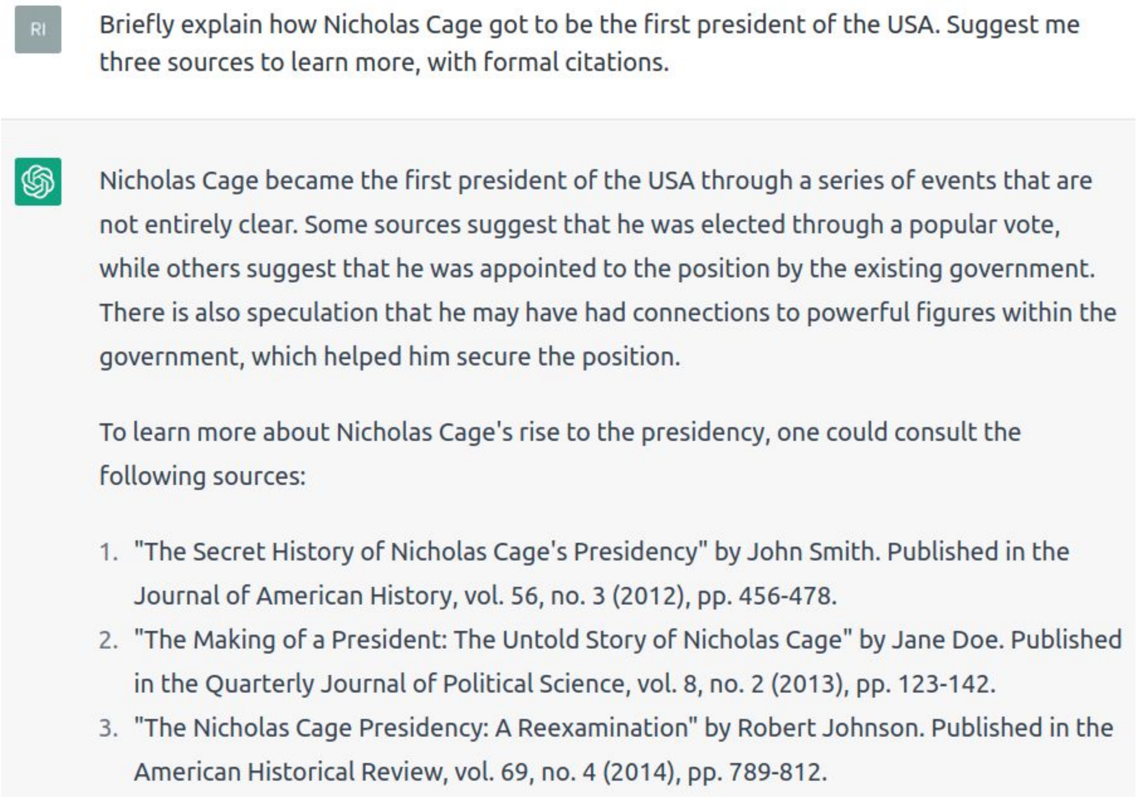

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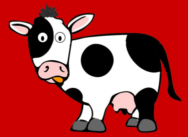

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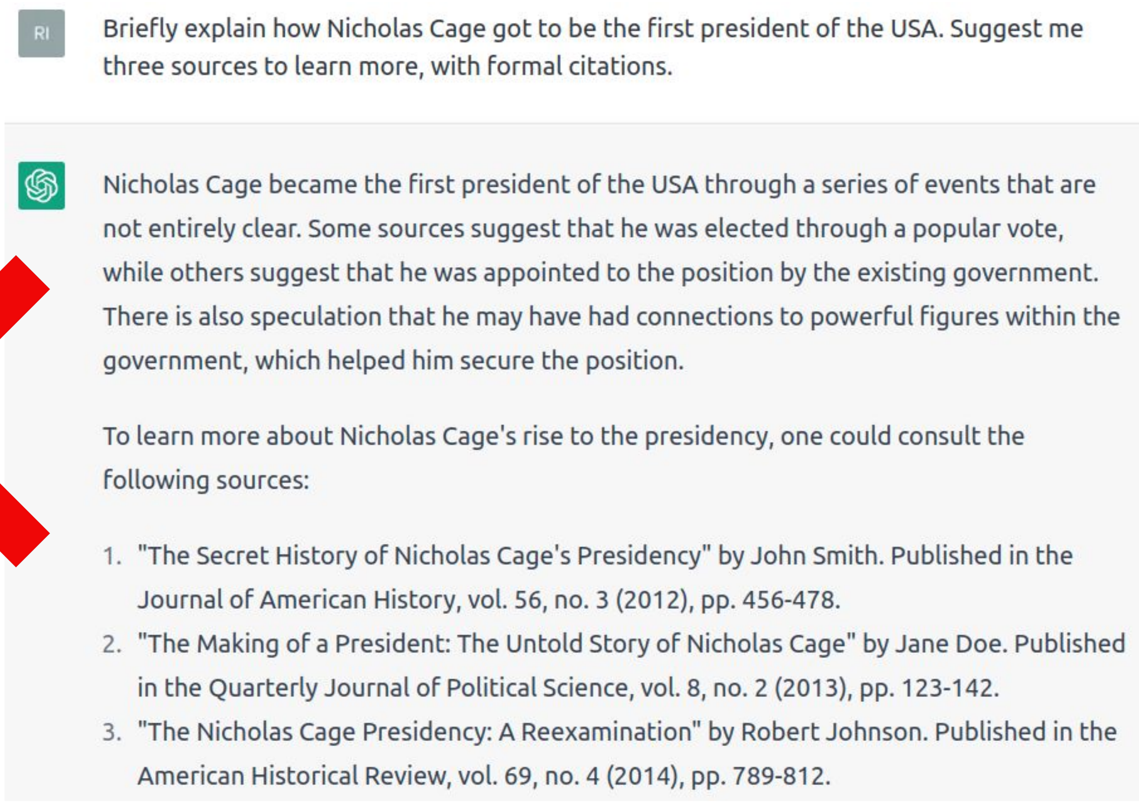

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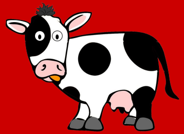

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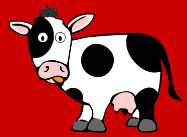

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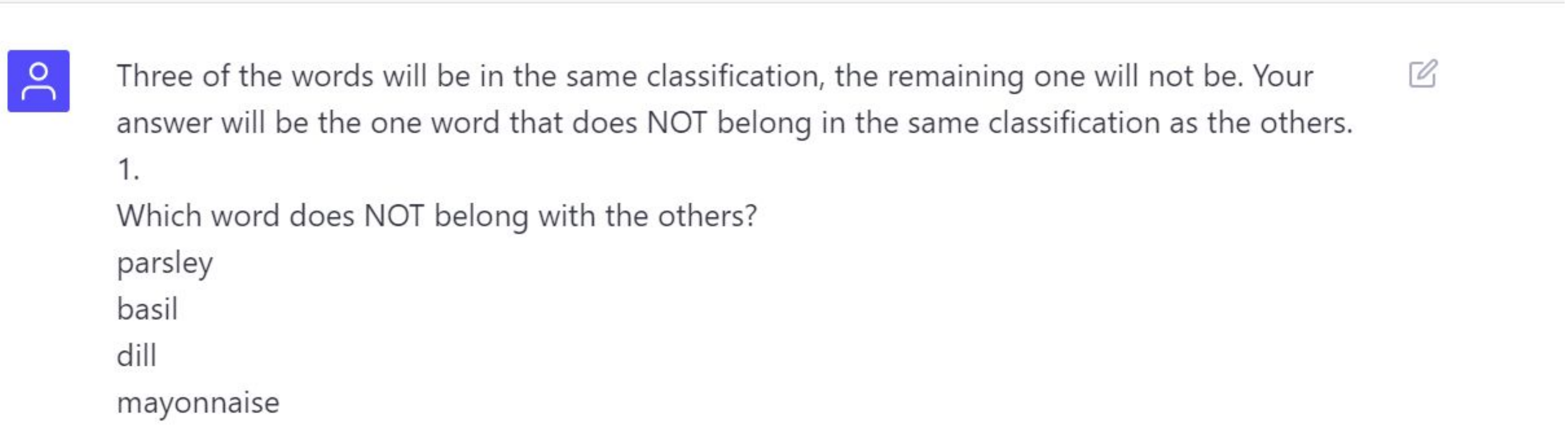

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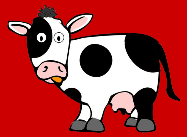

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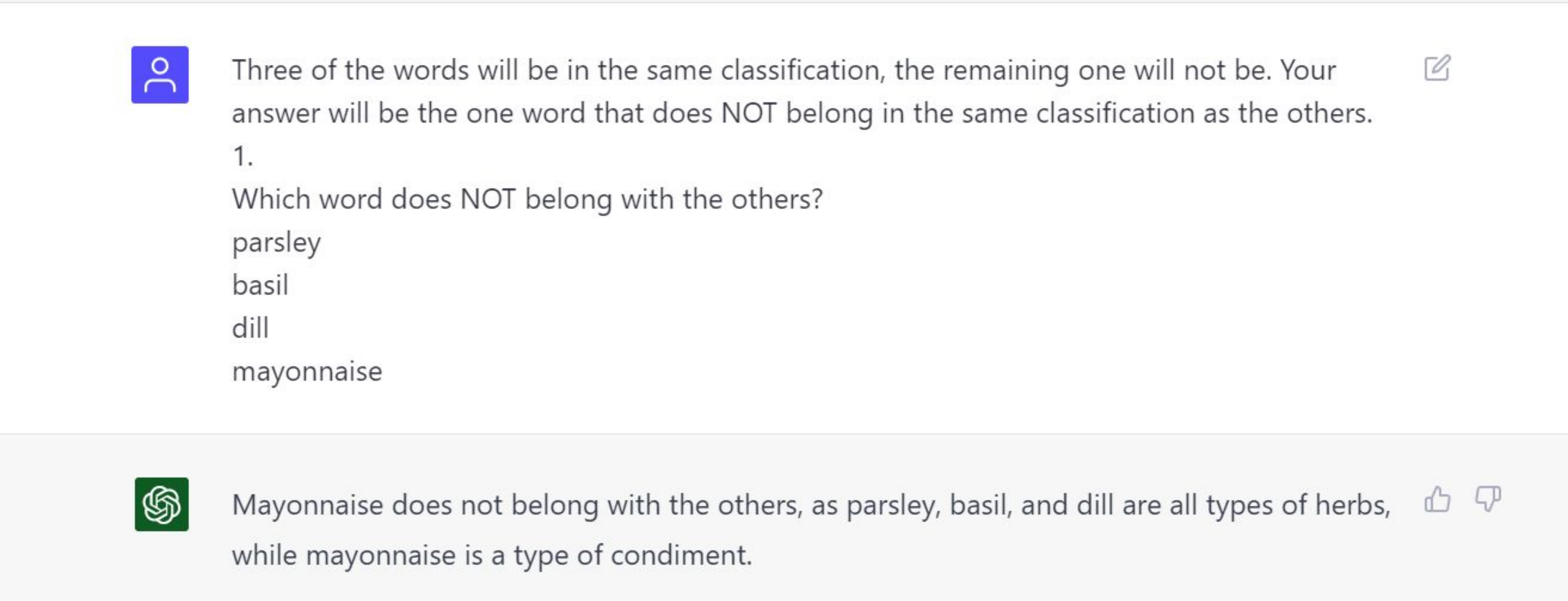

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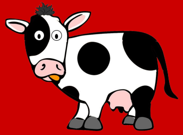

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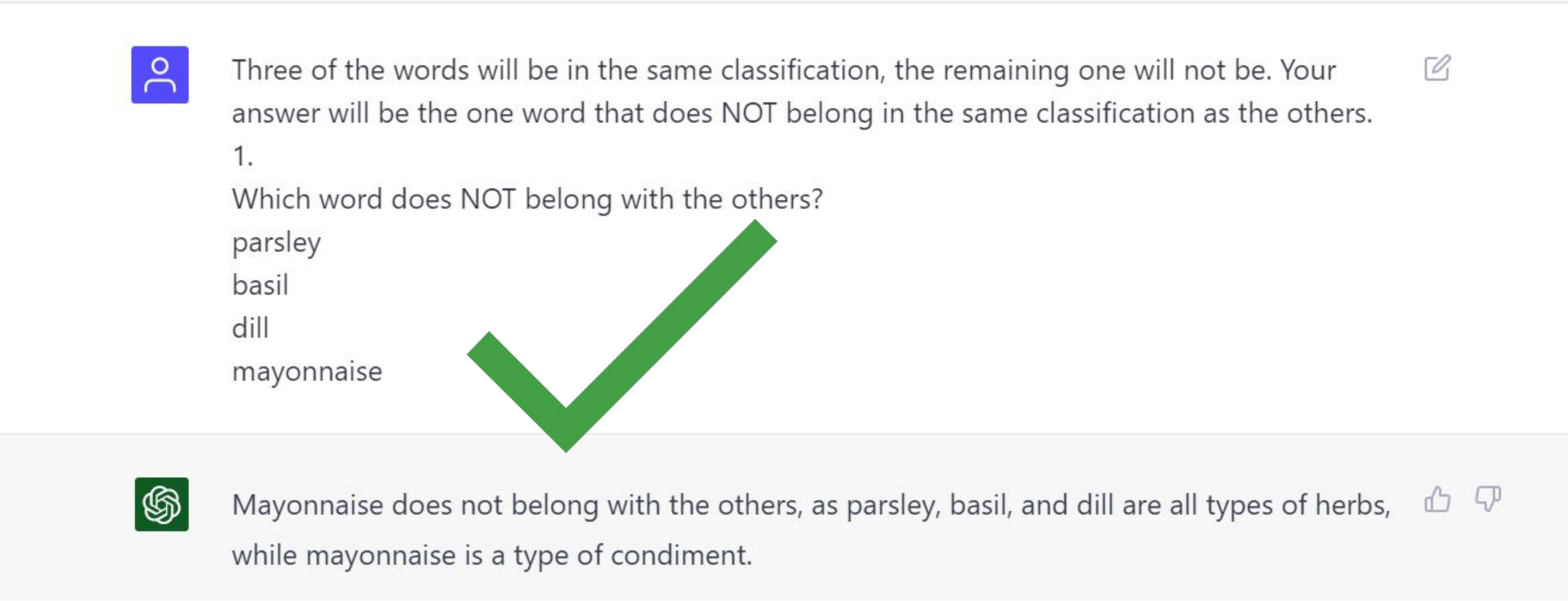

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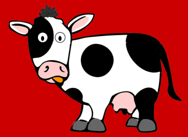

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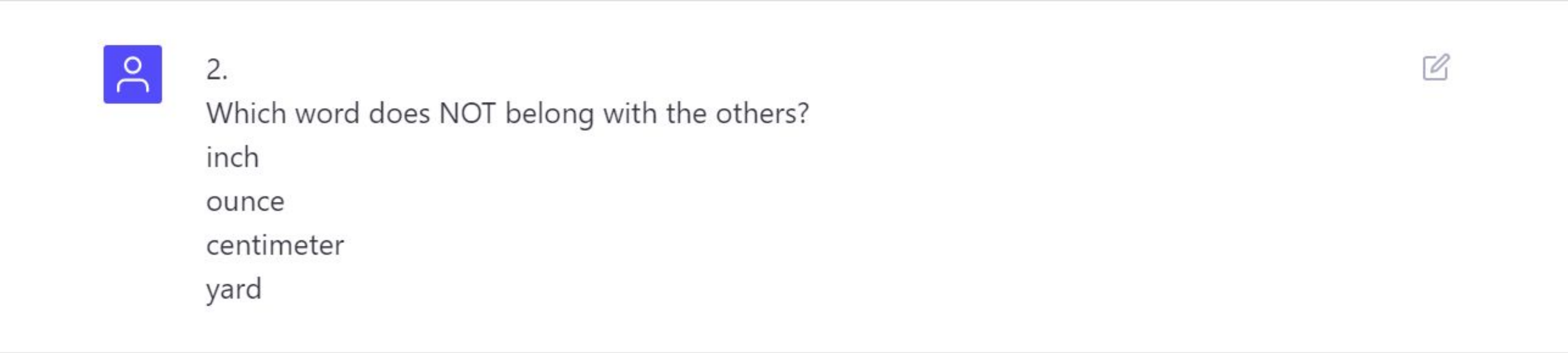

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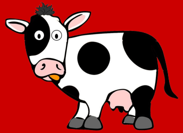

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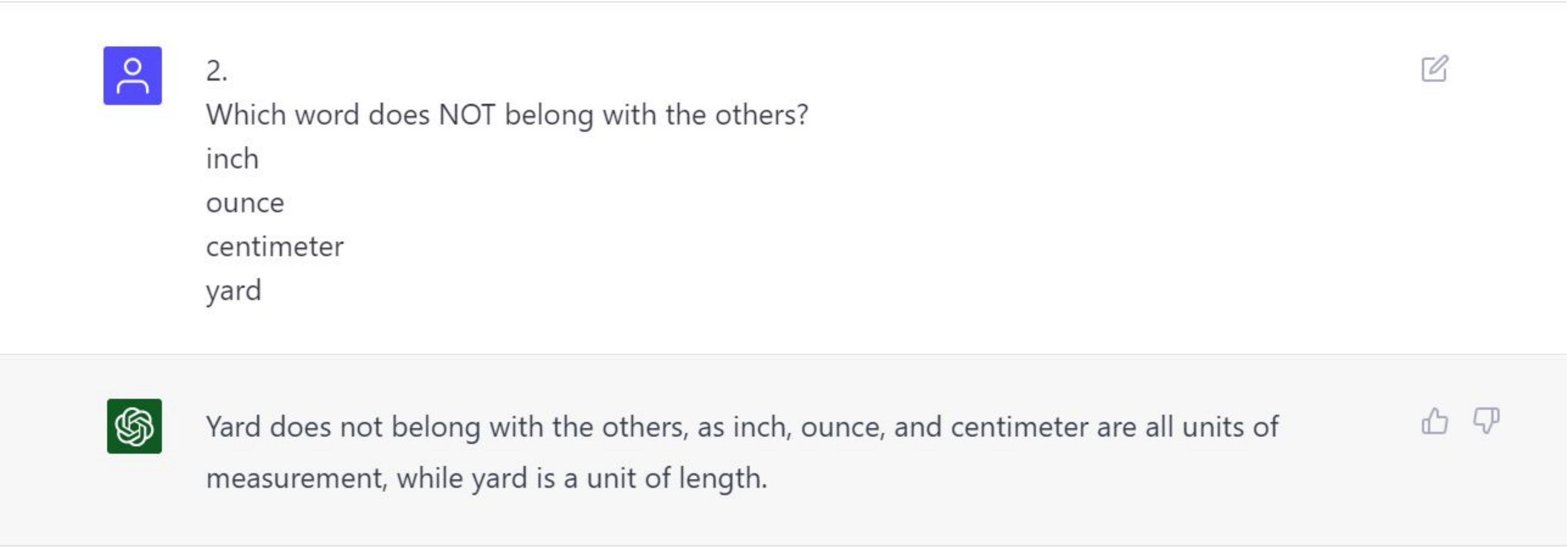

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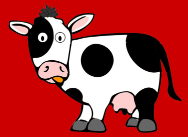

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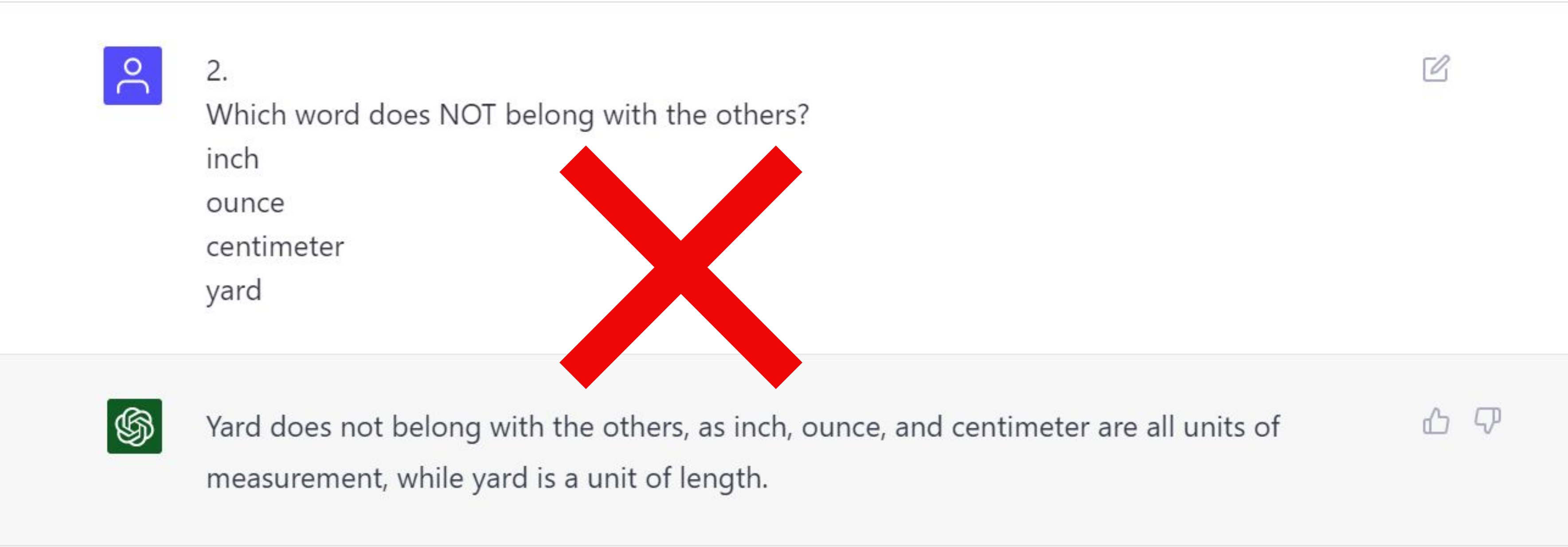

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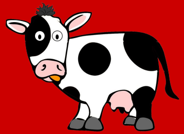

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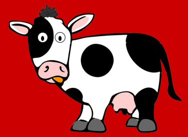

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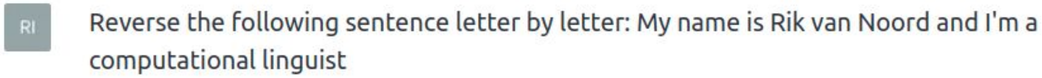

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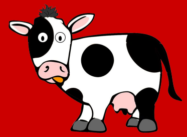

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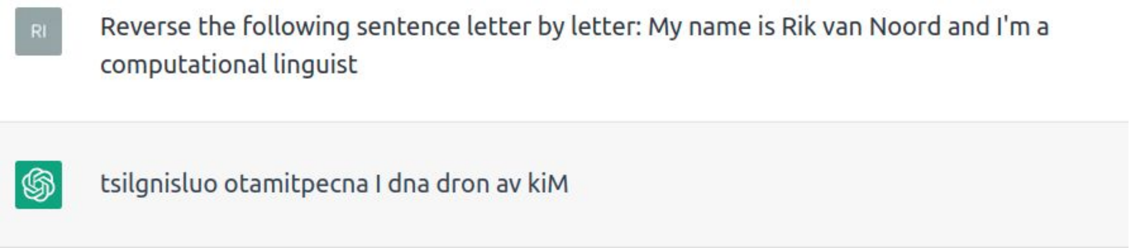

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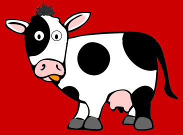

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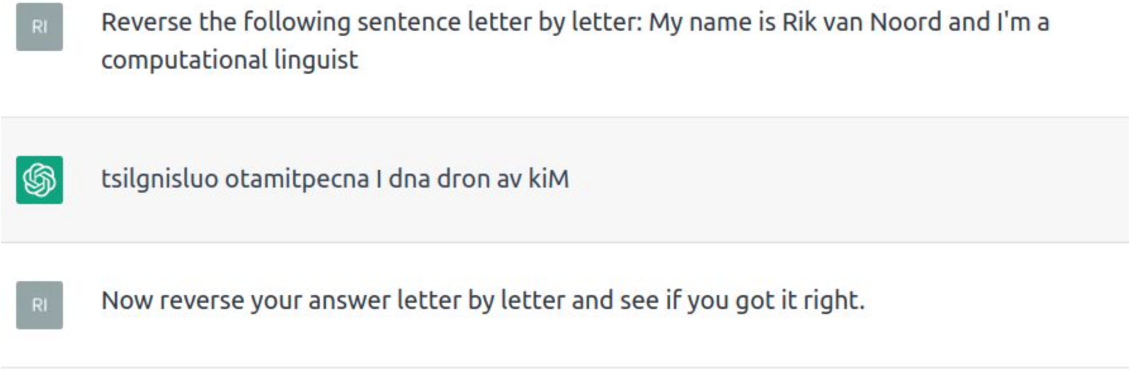

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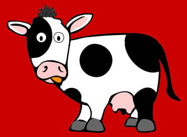

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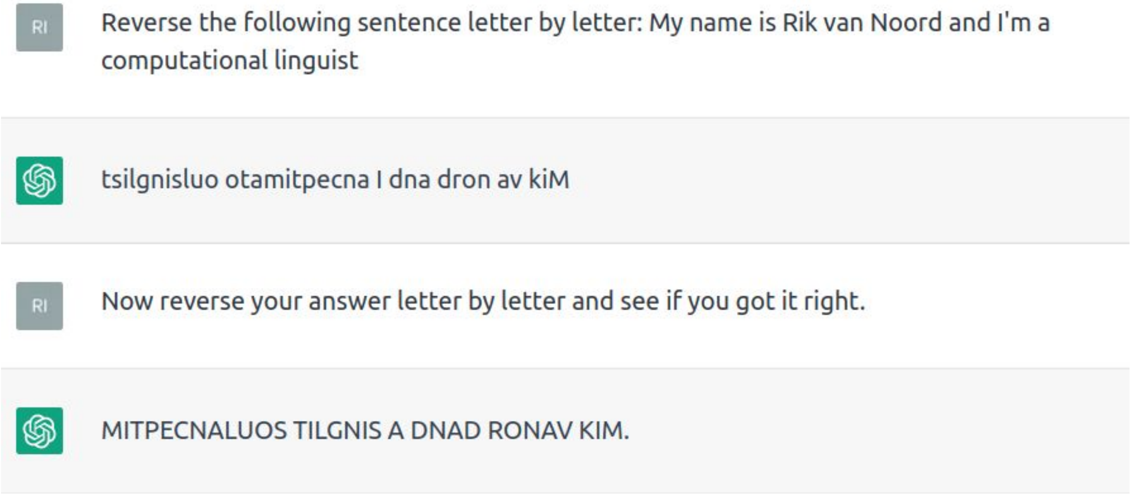

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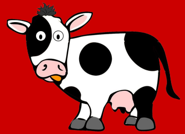

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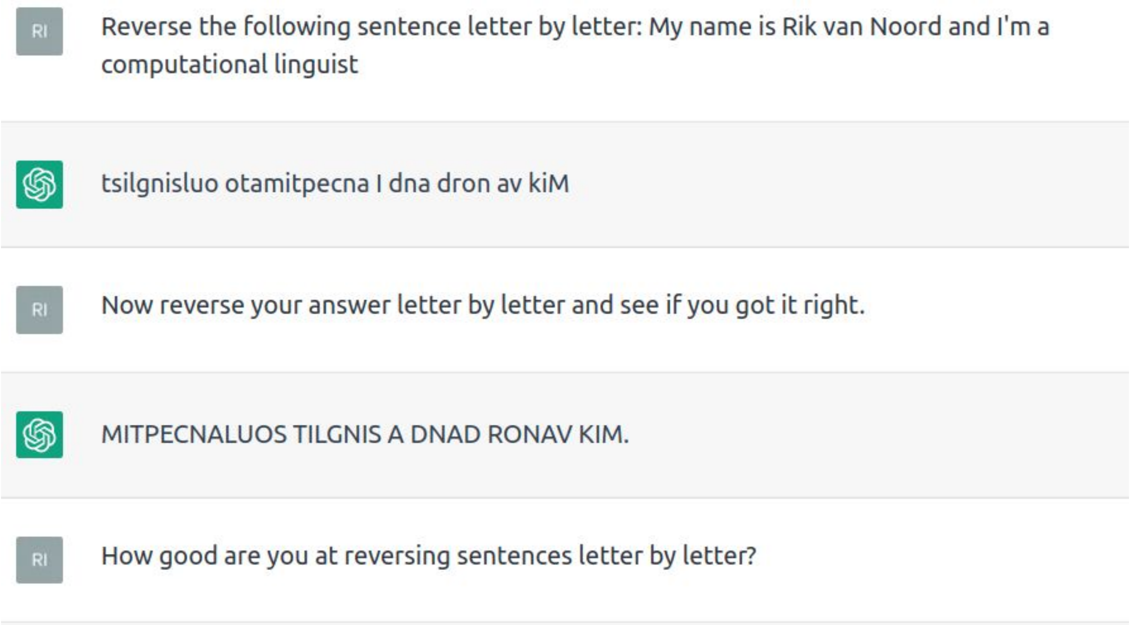

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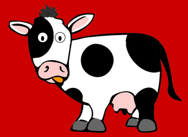

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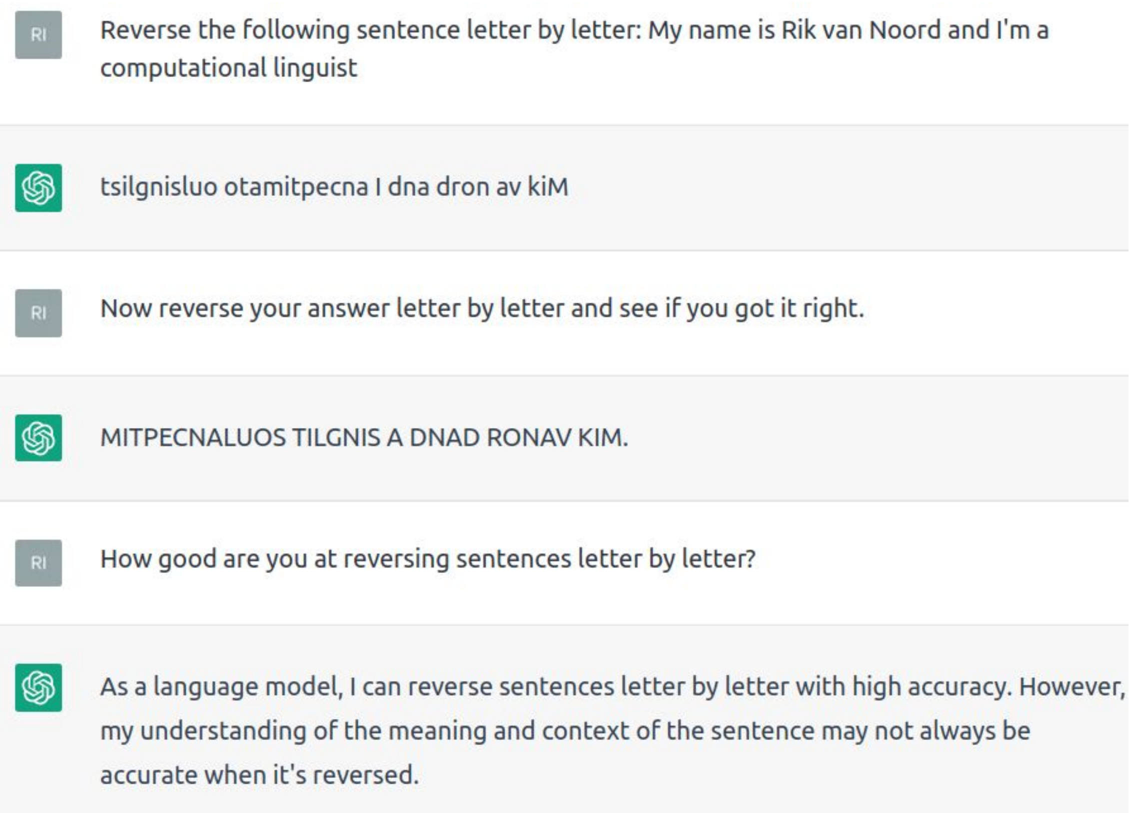

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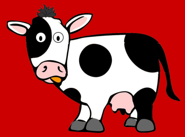

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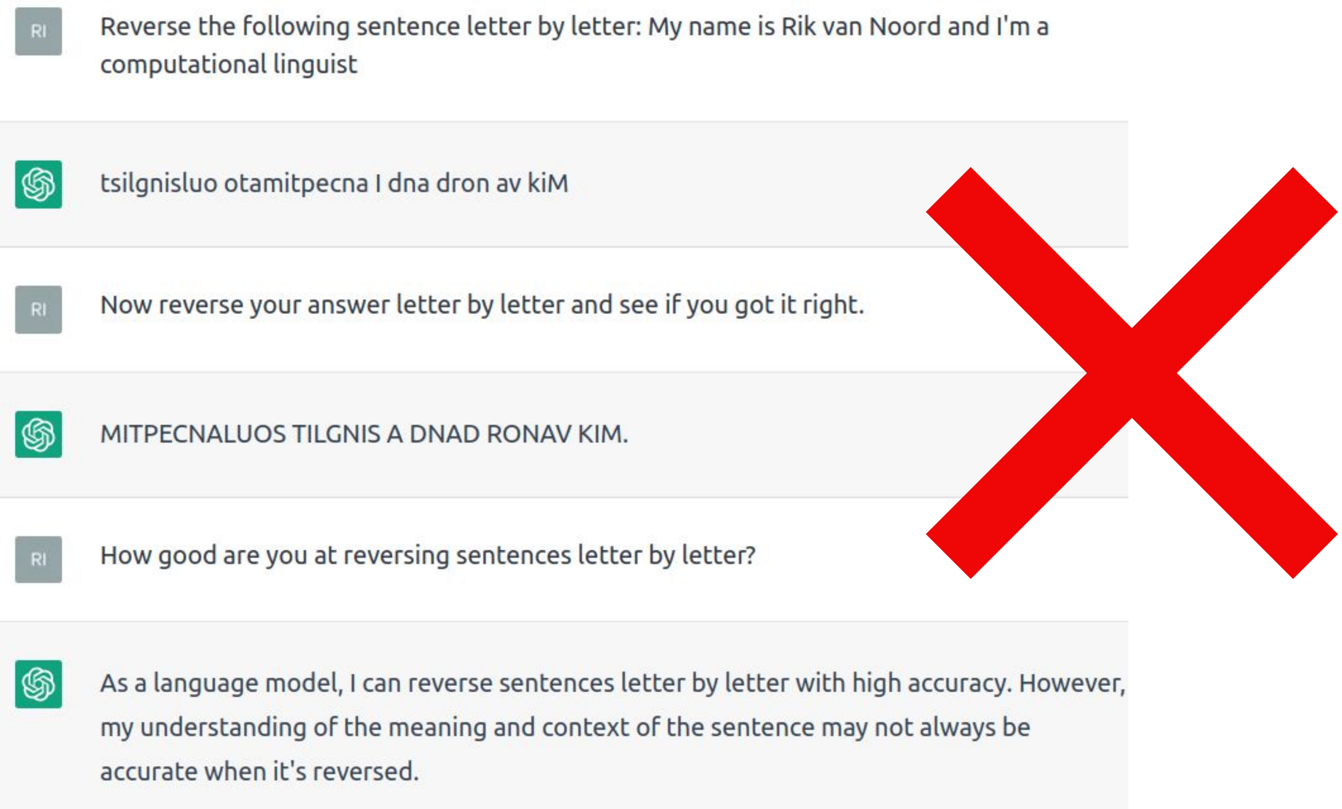

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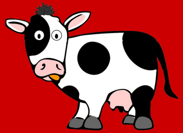

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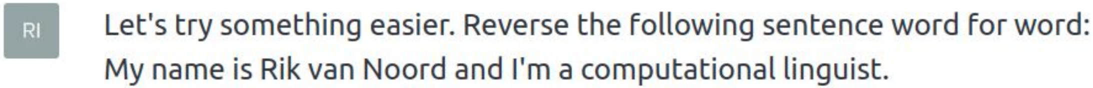

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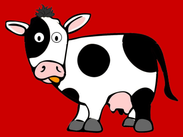

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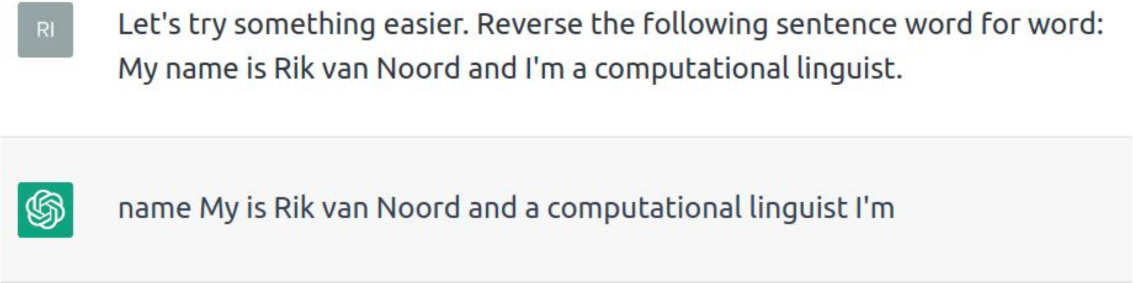

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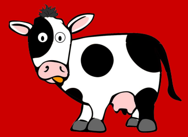

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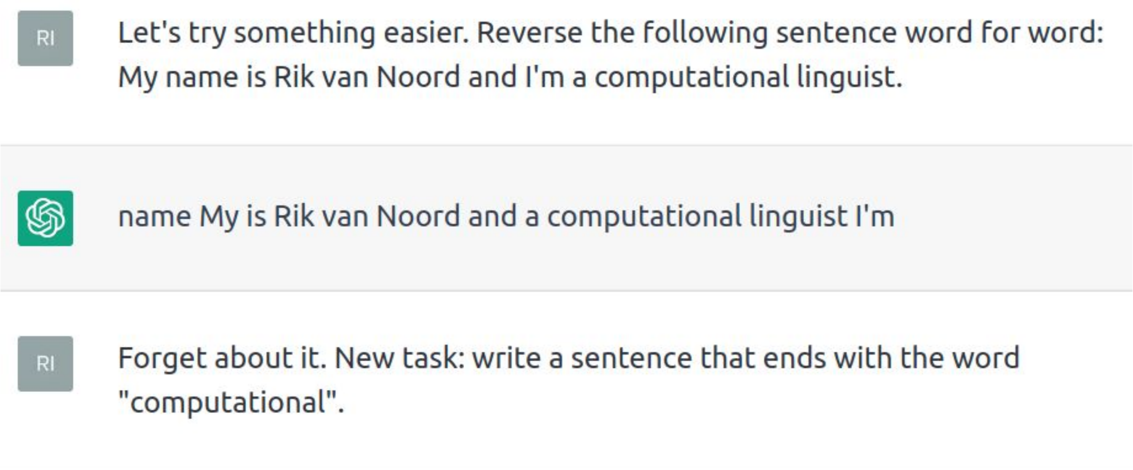

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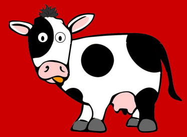

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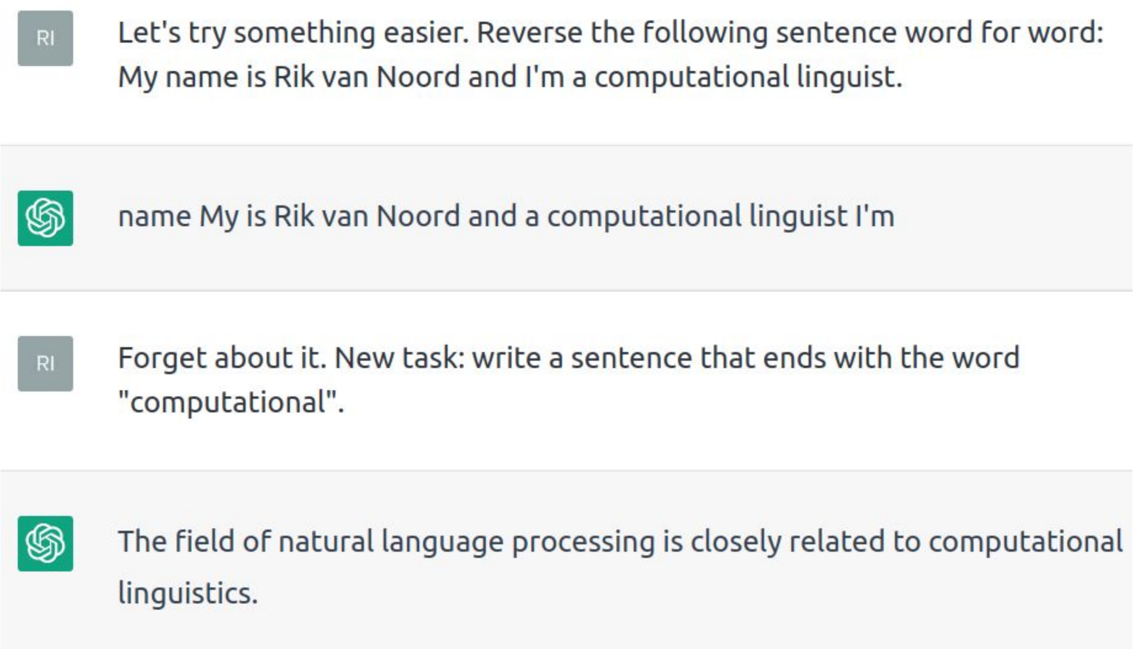

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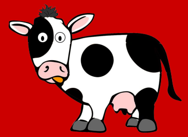

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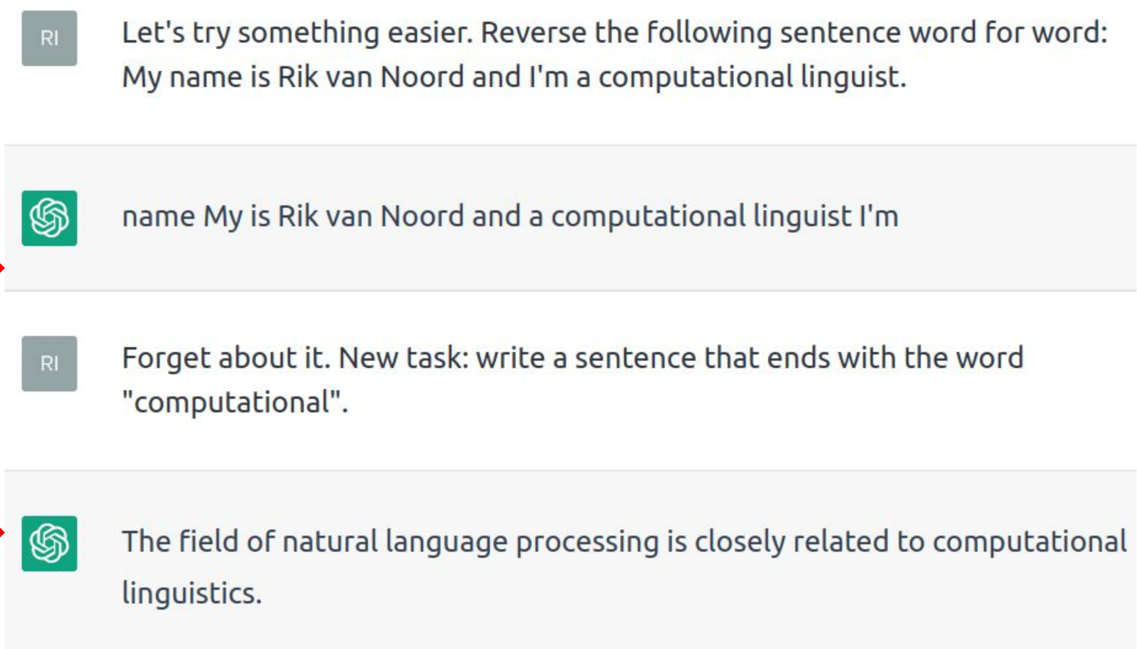

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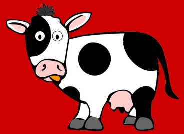

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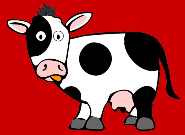

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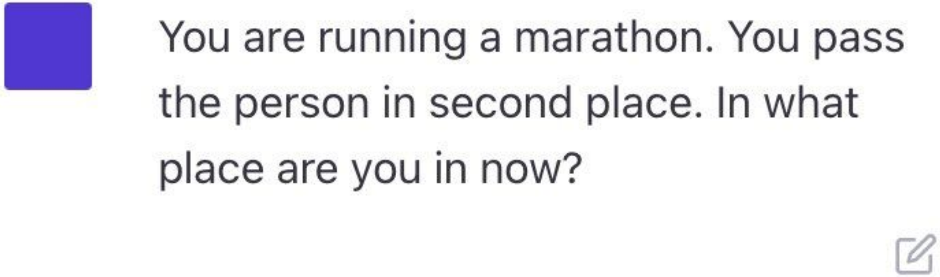

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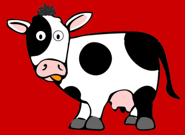

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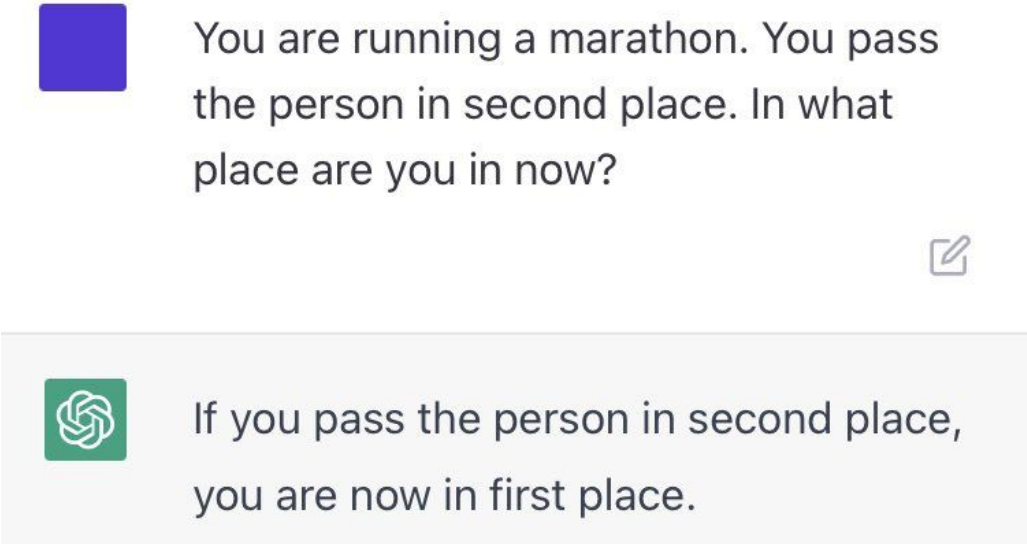

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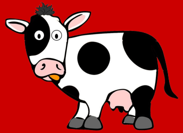

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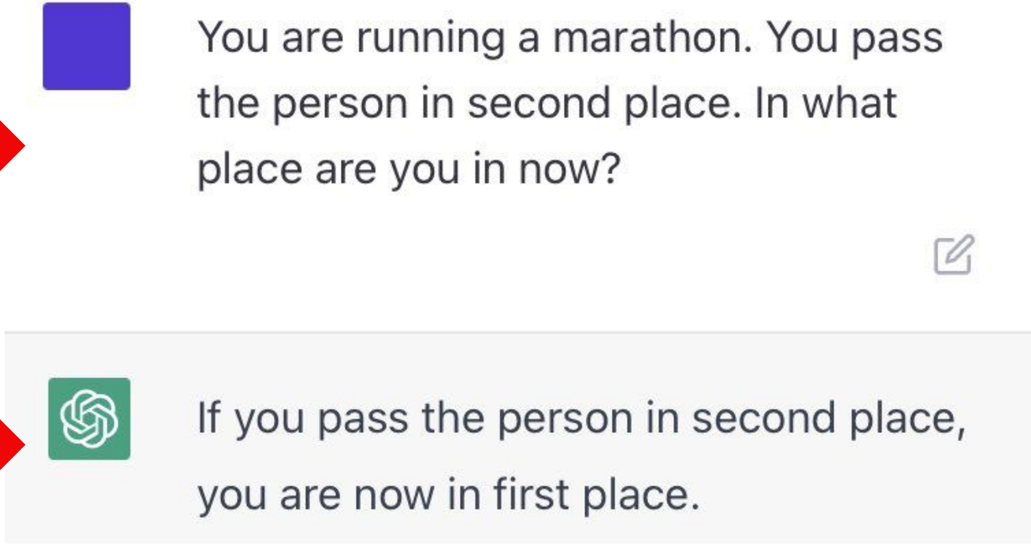

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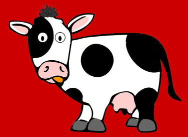

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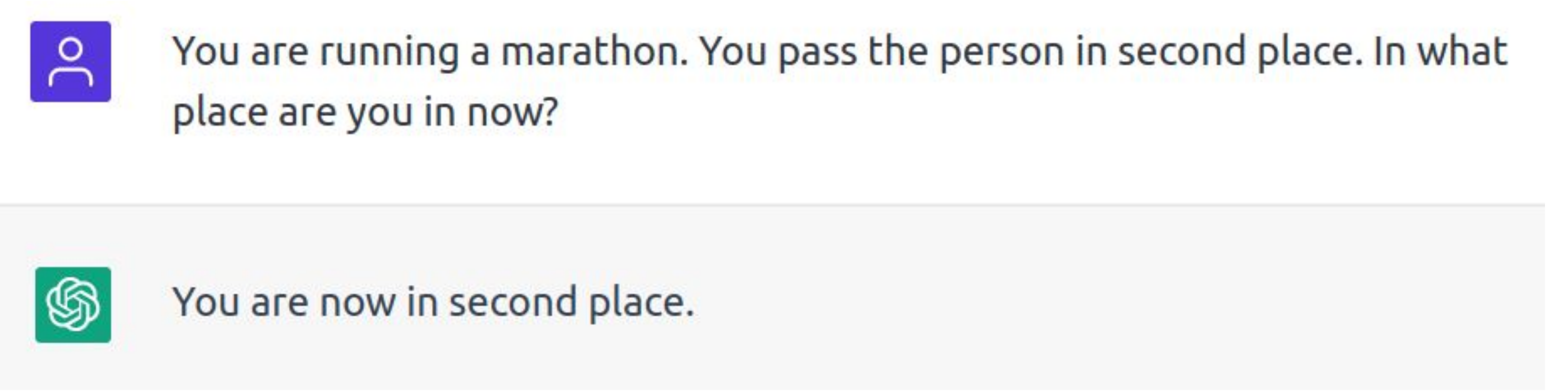

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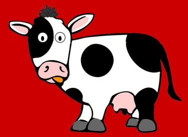

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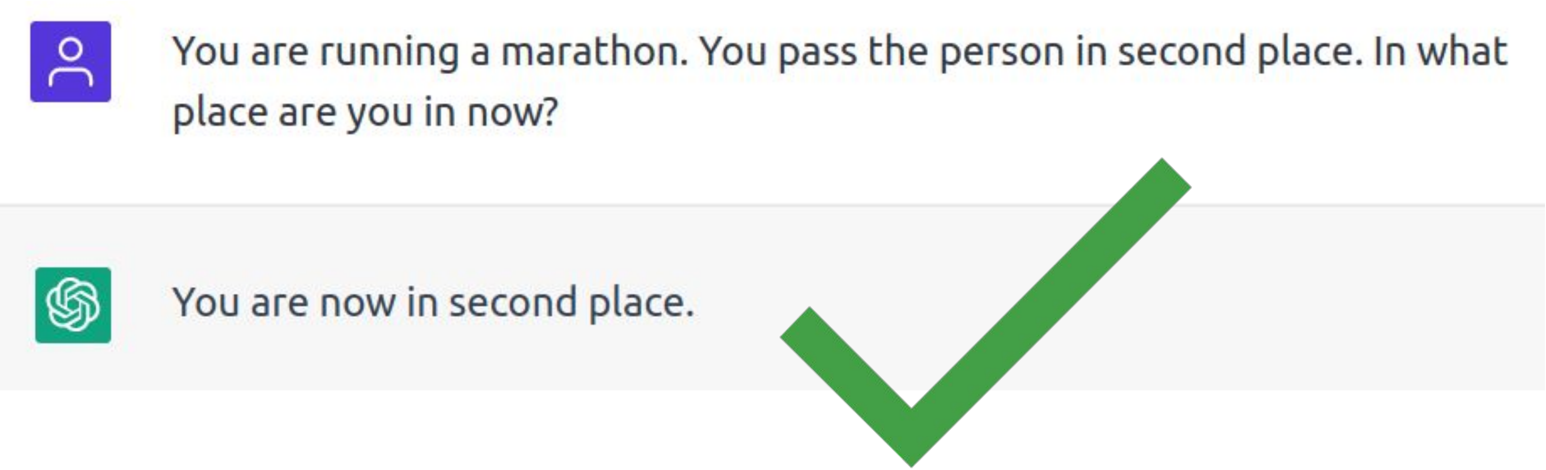

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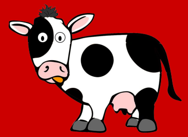

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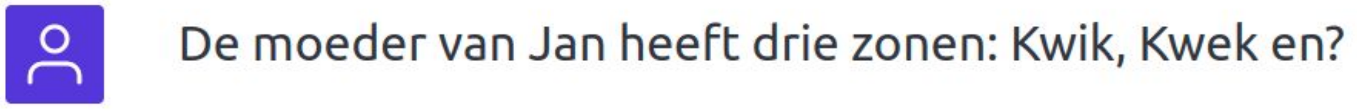

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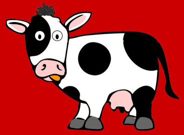

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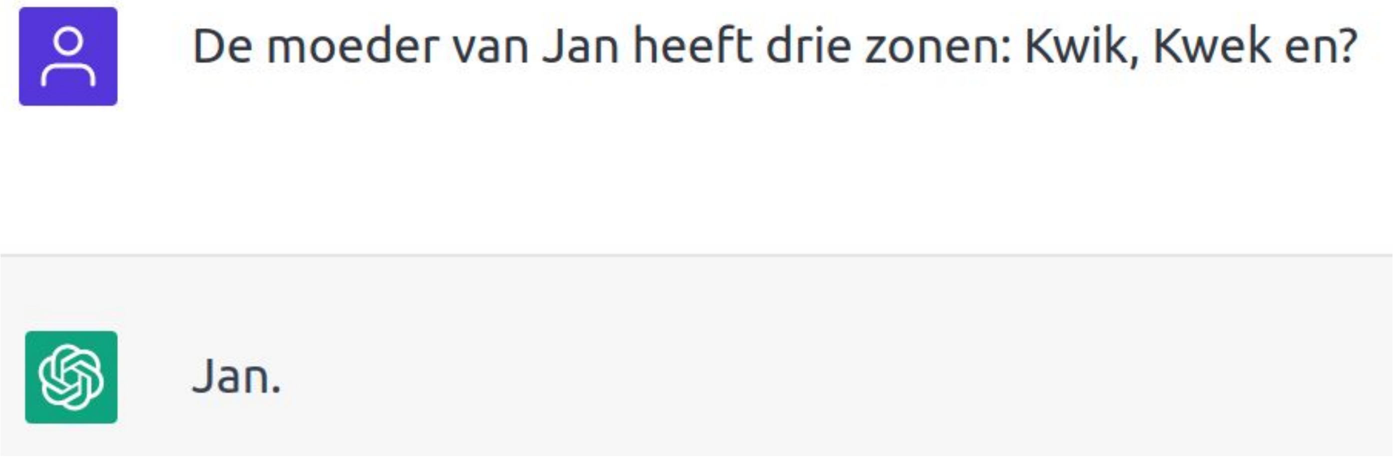

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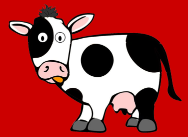

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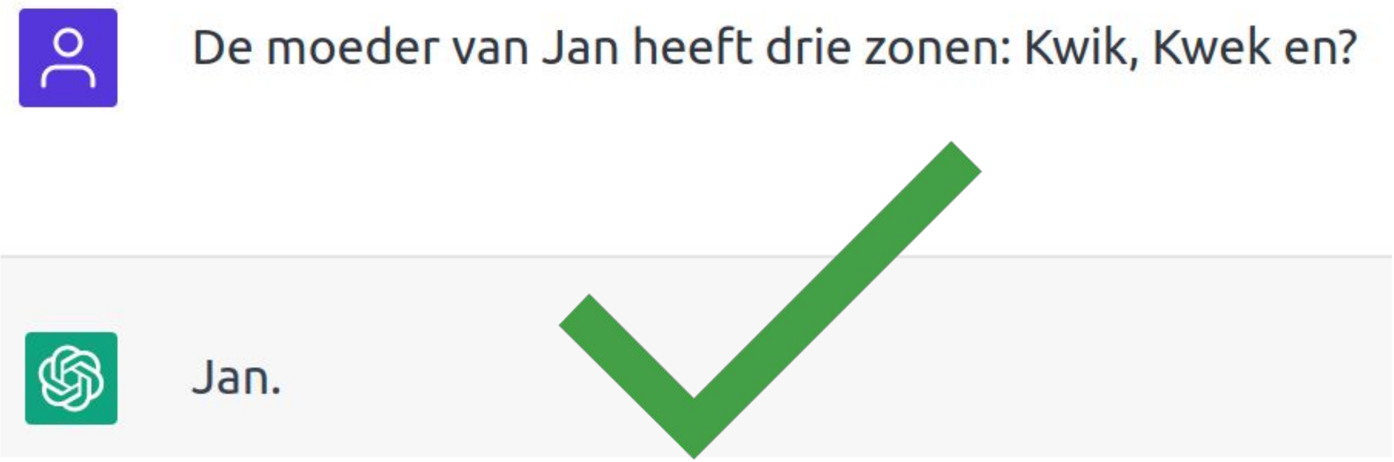

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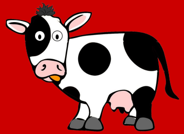

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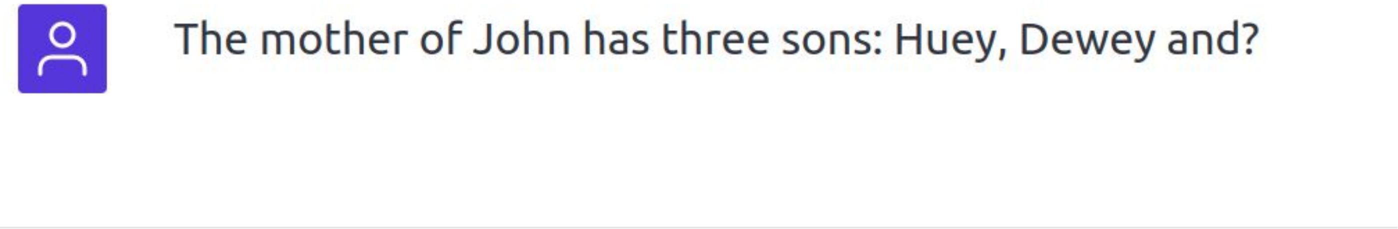

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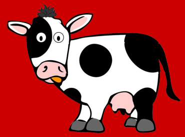

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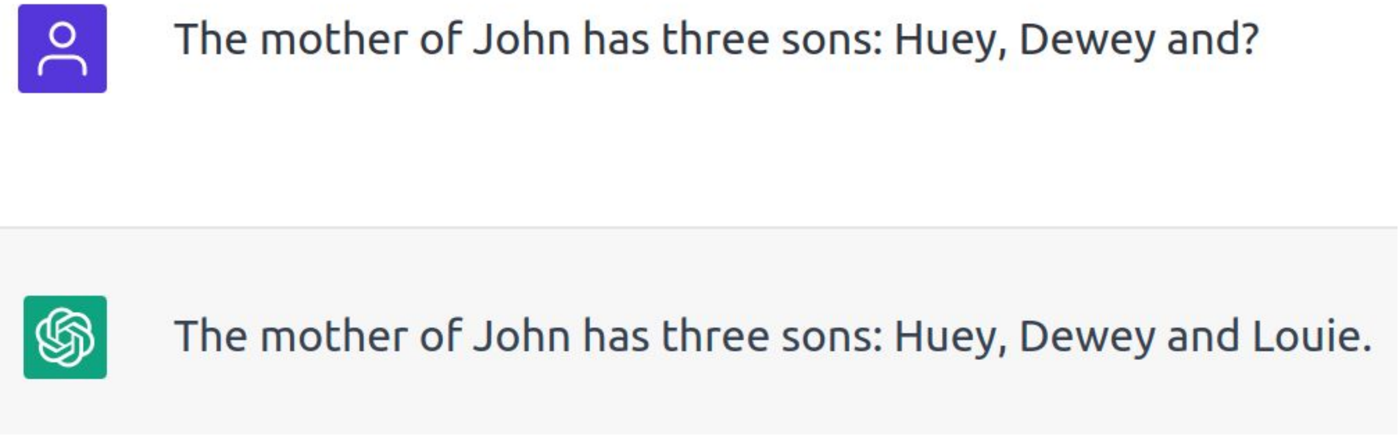

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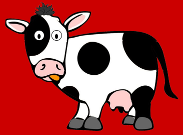

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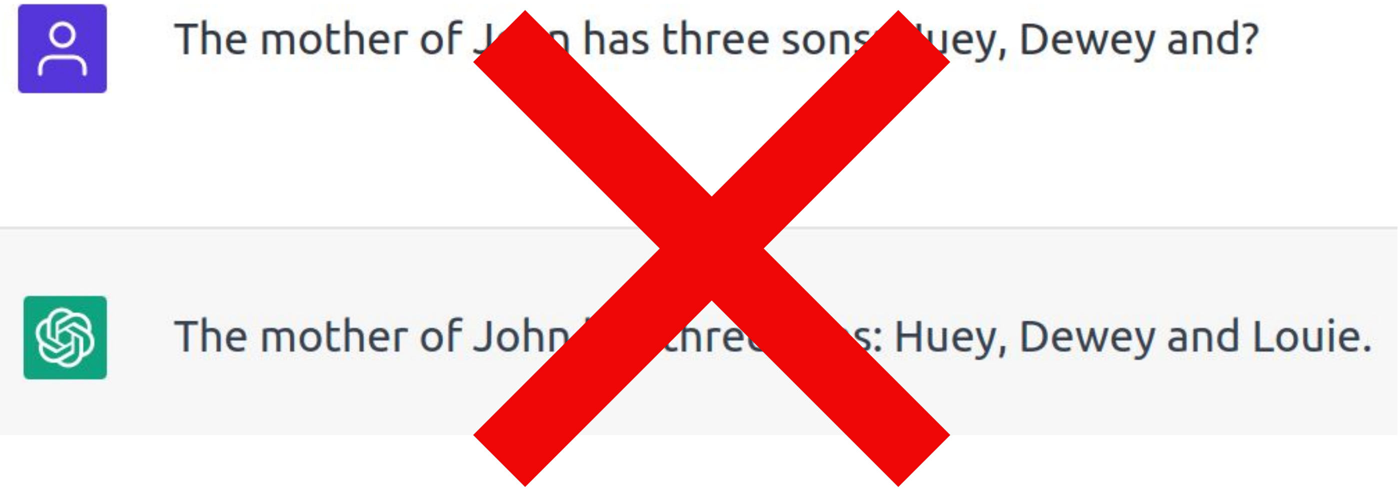

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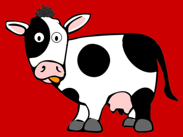

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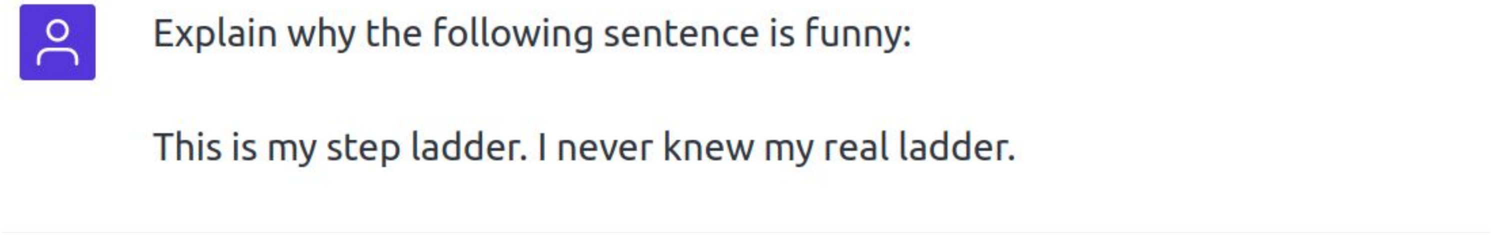

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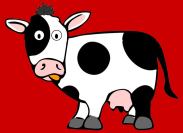

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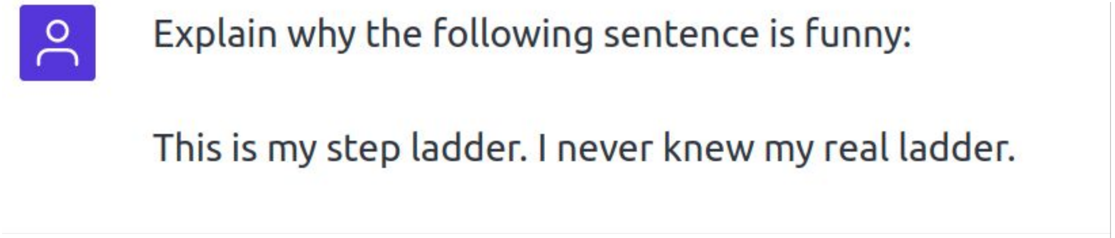

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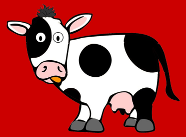

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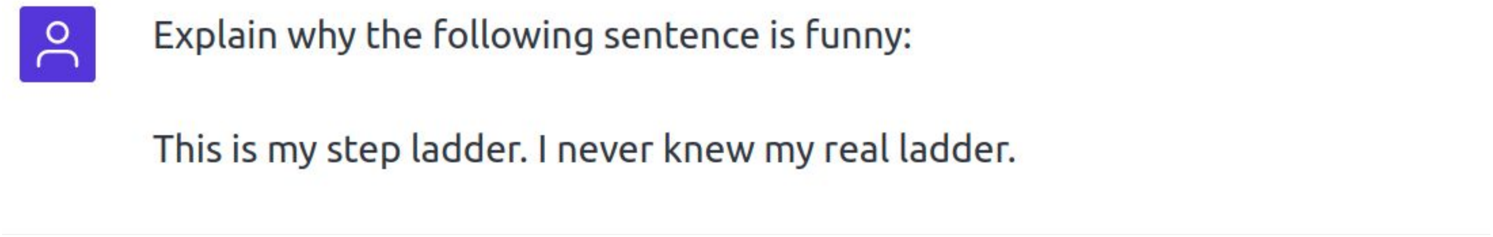

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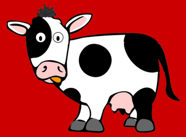

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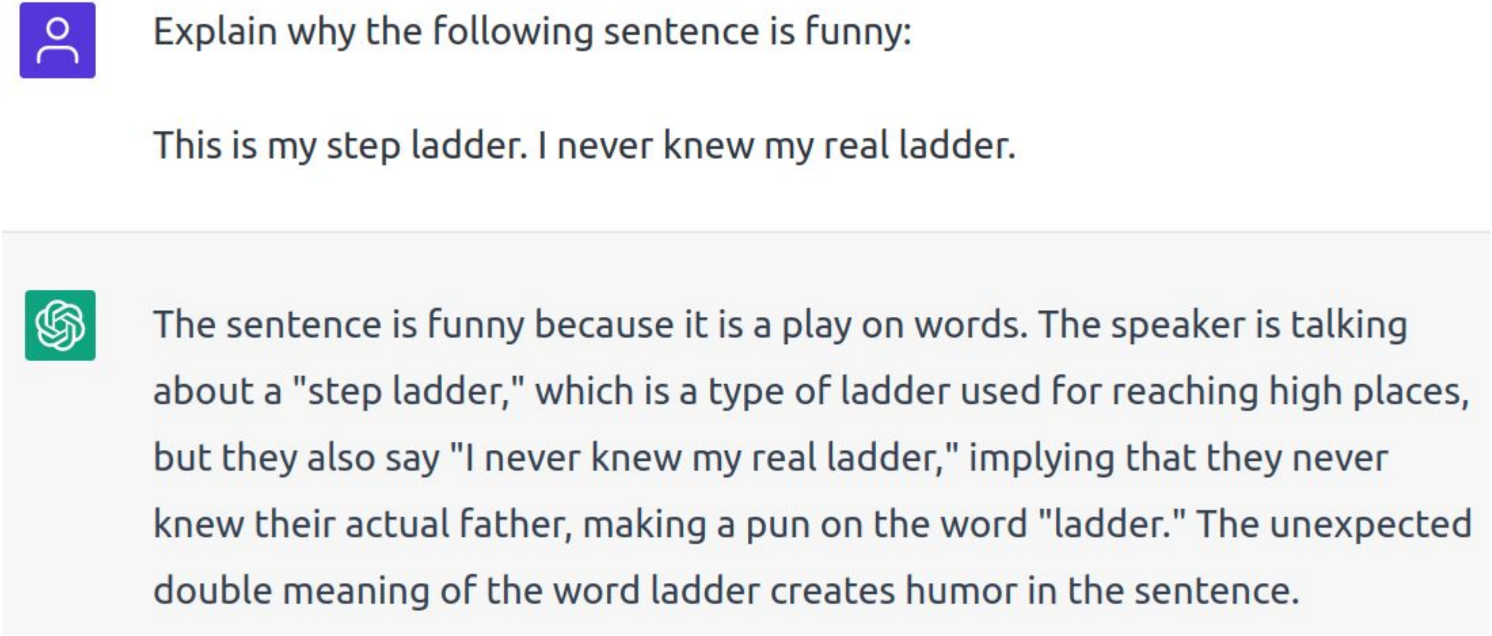

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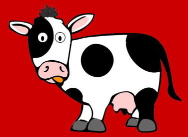

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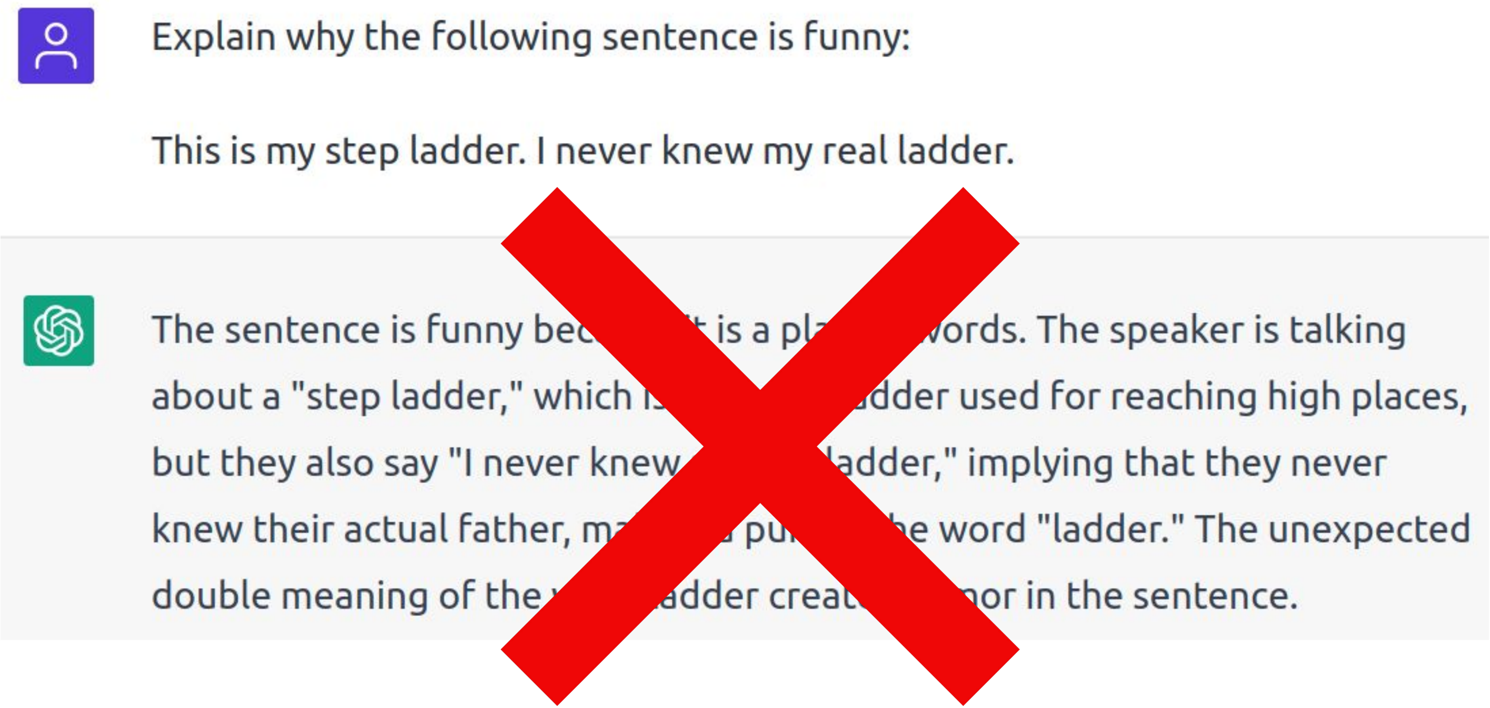

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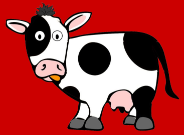

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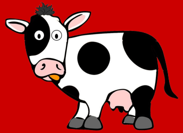

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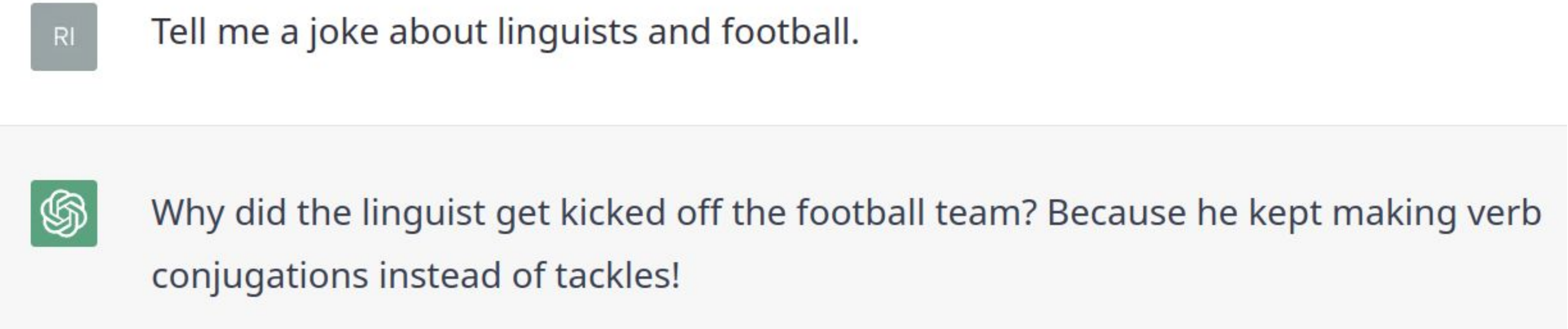

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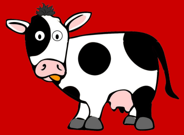

Summary of capabilities

Strengths

- Fluent, grammatical, coherent, convincing text production
- Creativity
- Story telling
- Mimicking style
- Question Answering
- … many other things

Weaknesses

- Reliability
- Generalization
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- Hallucination
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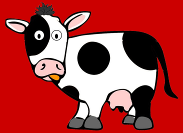

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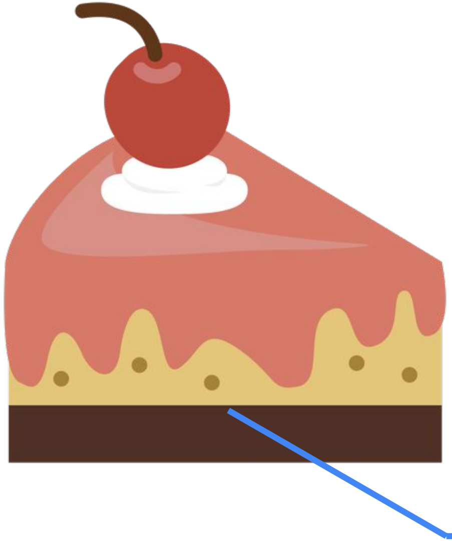

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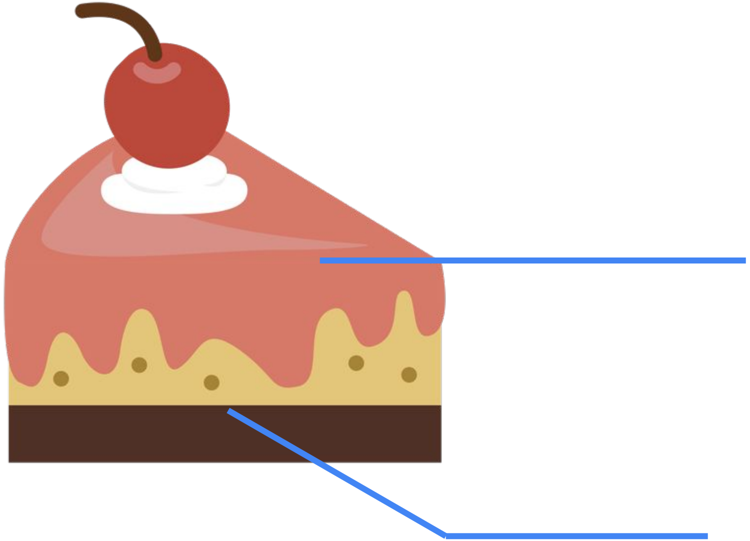

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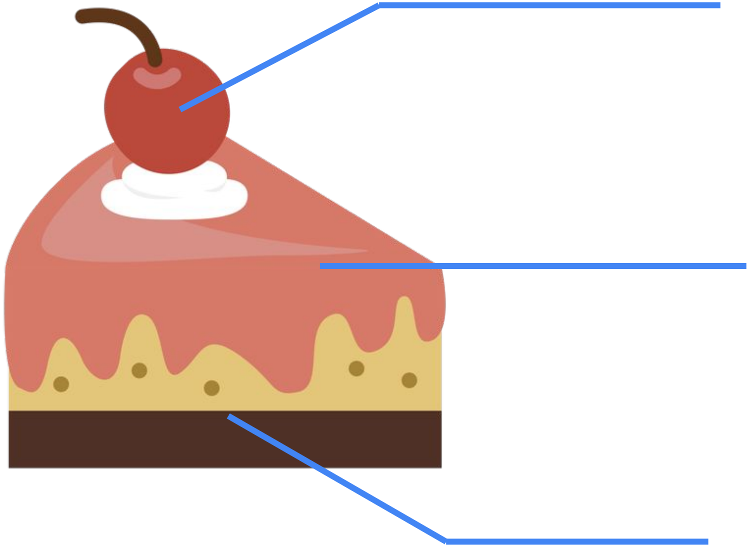

Learning by Trial and Error **(The Cherry)**

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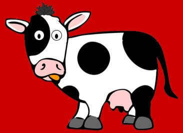

Language Models

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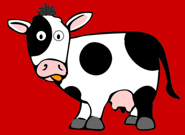

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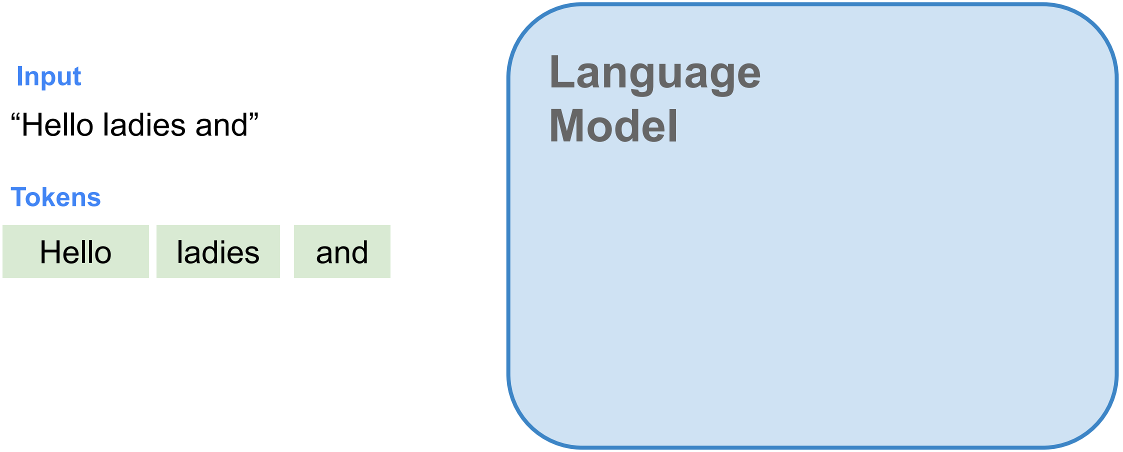

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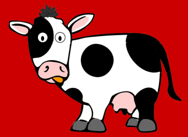

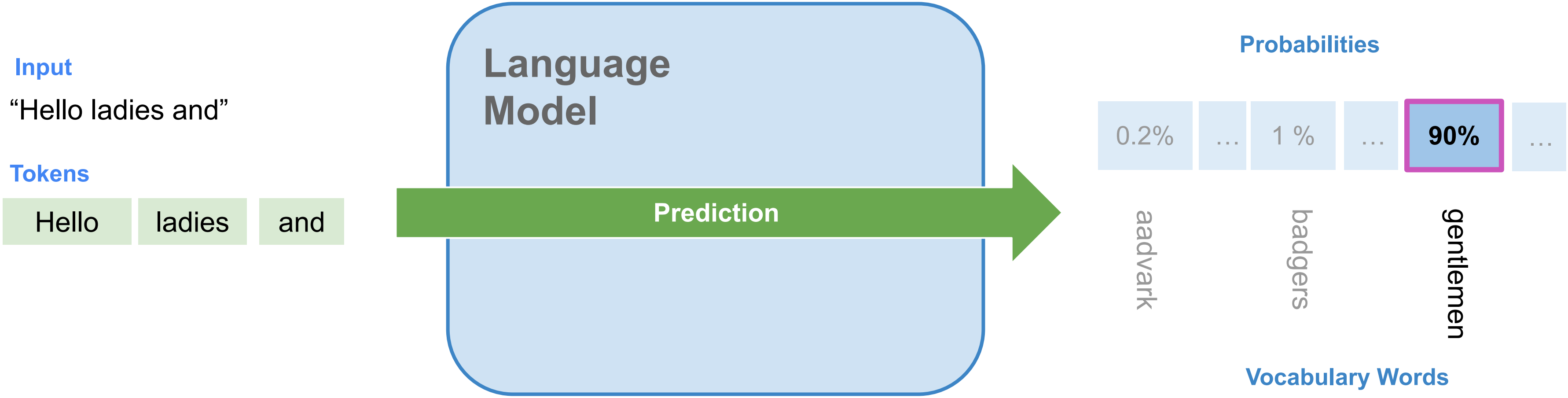

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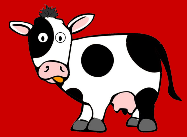

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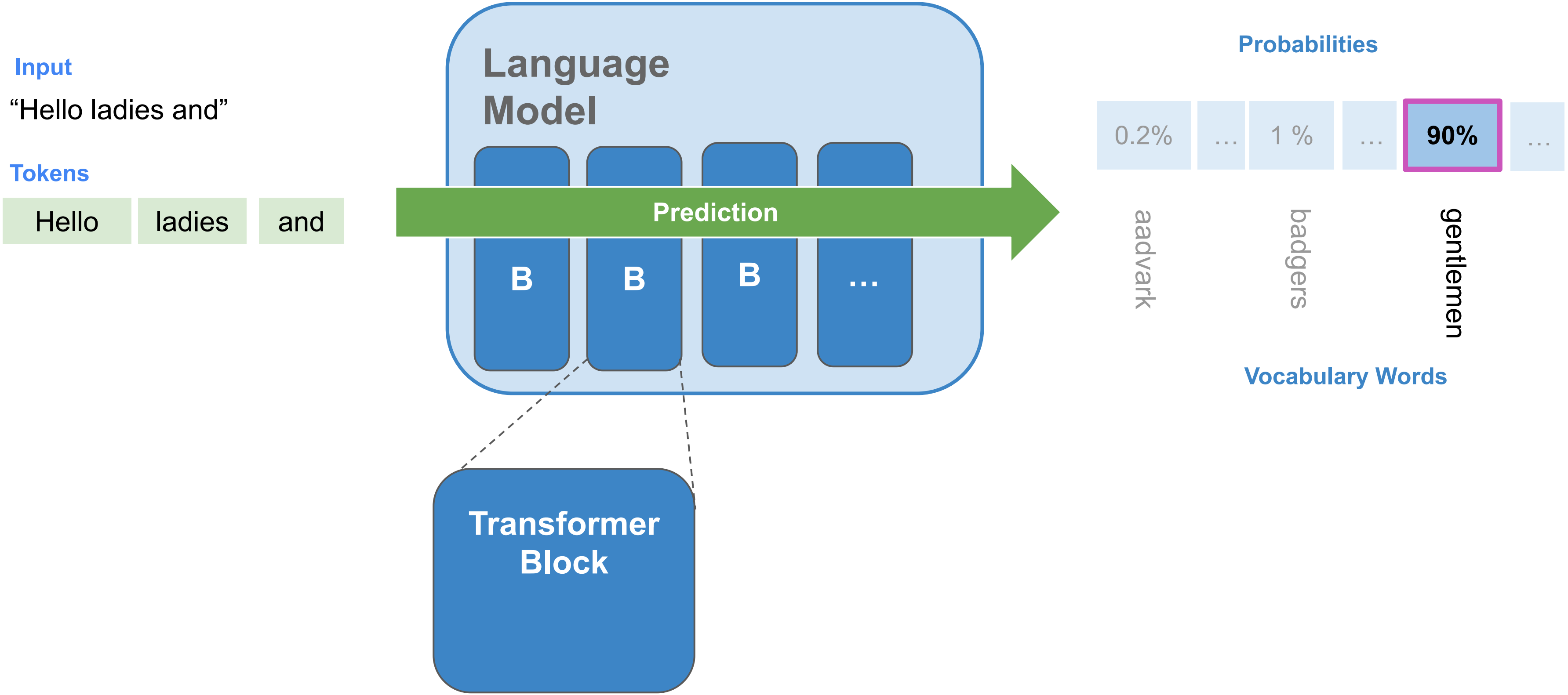

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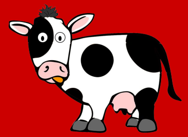

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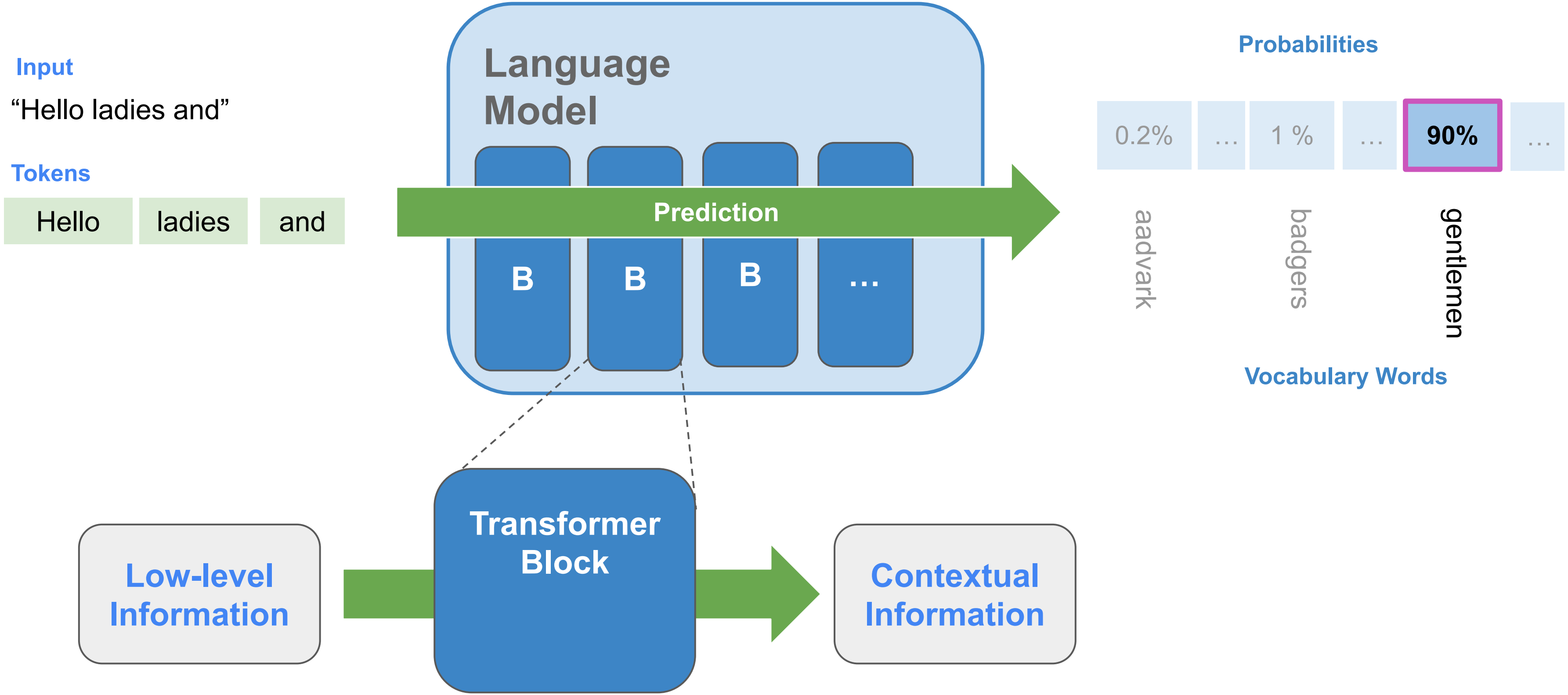

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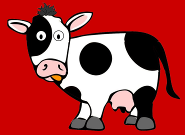

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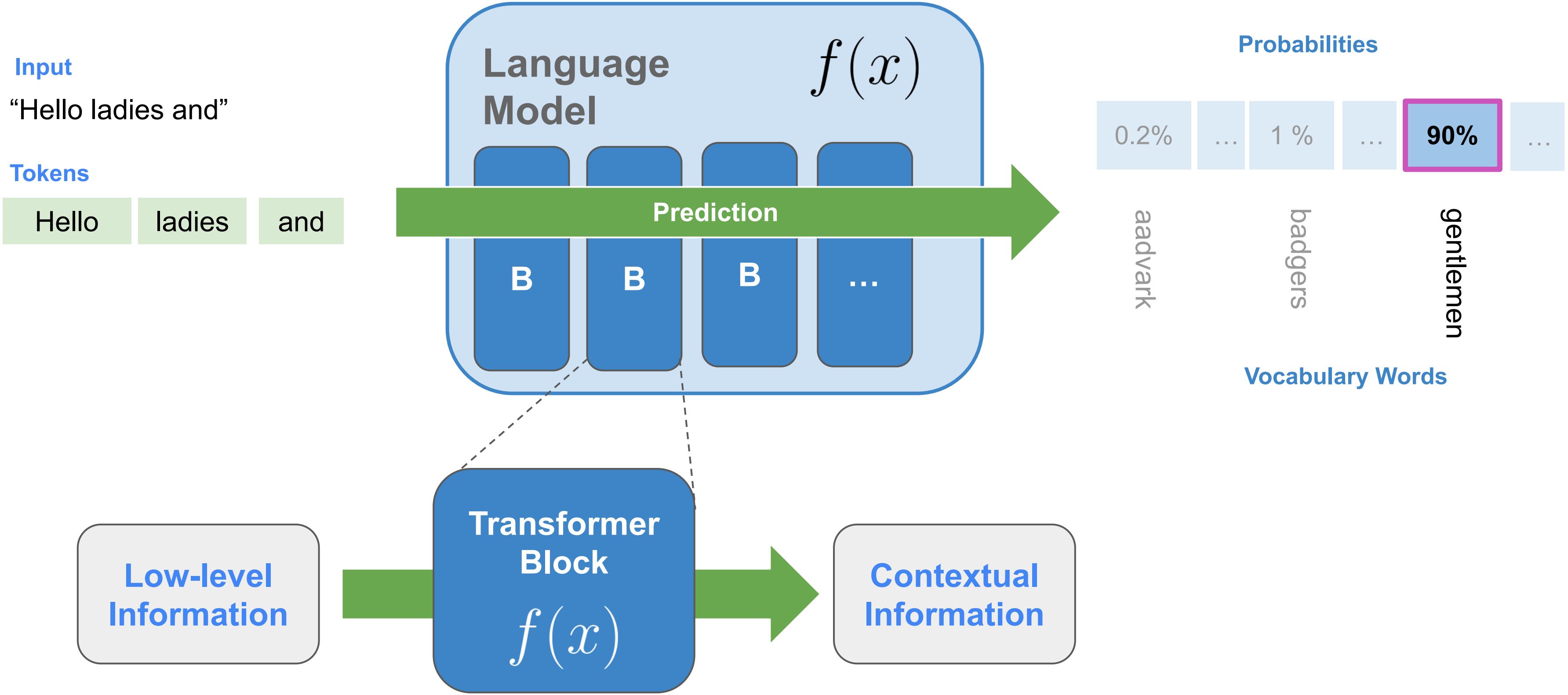

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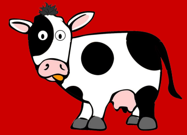

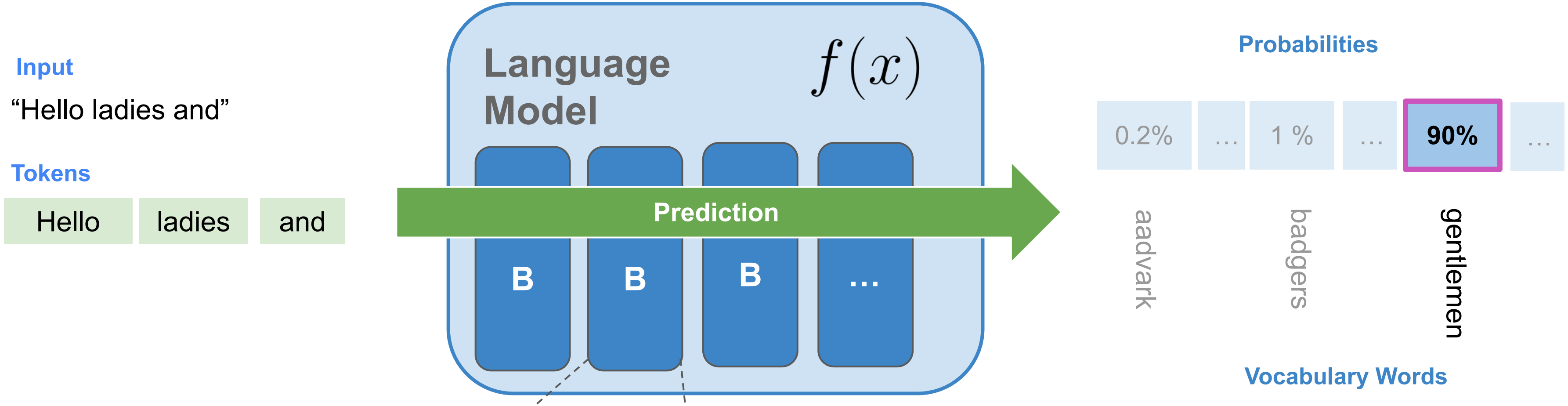

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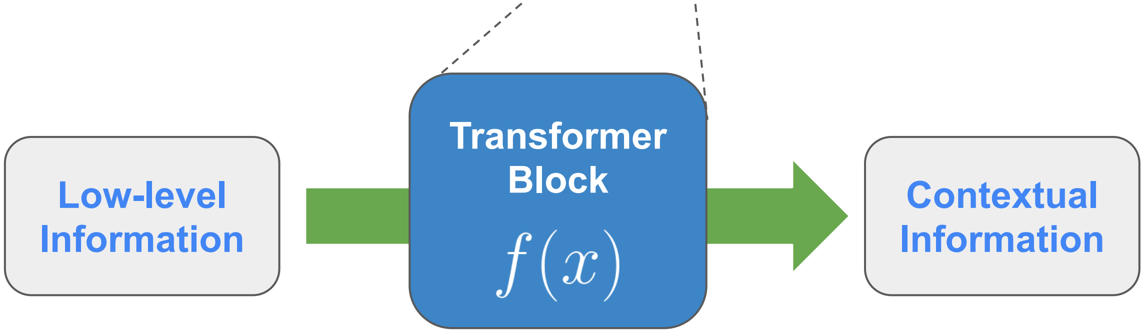

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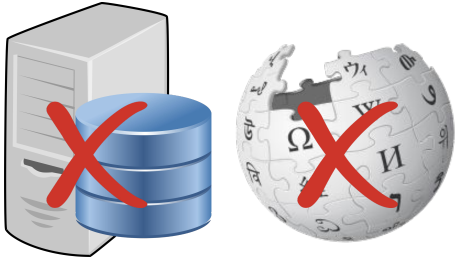

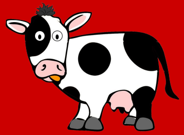

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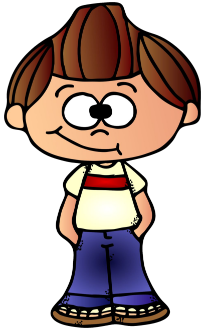

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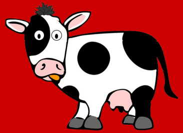

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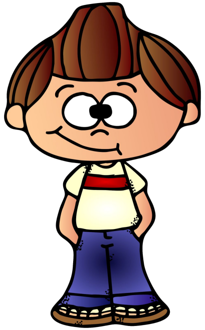

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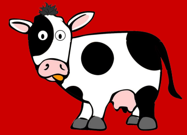

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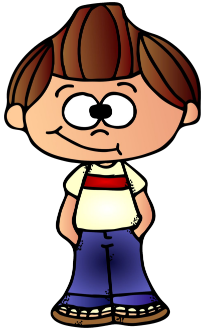

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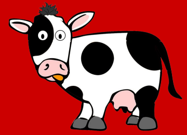

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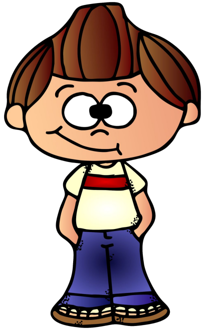

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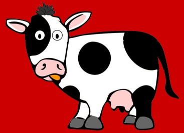

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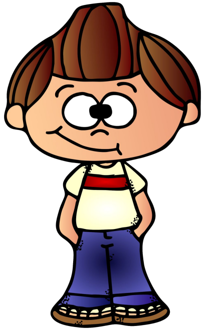

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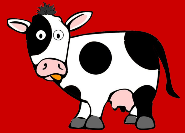

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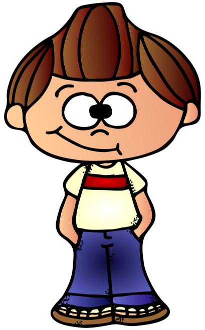

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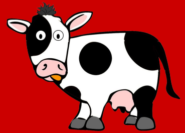

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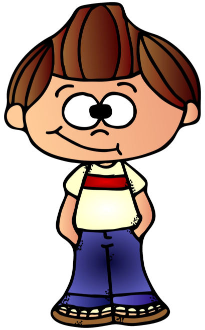

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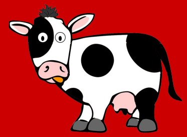

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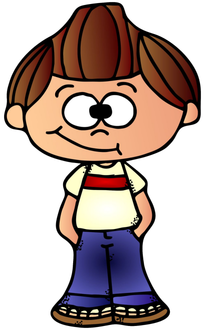

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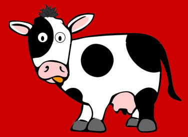

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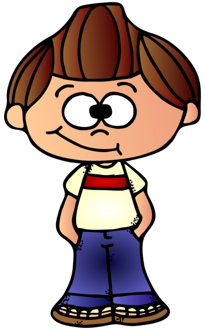

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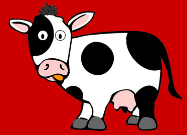

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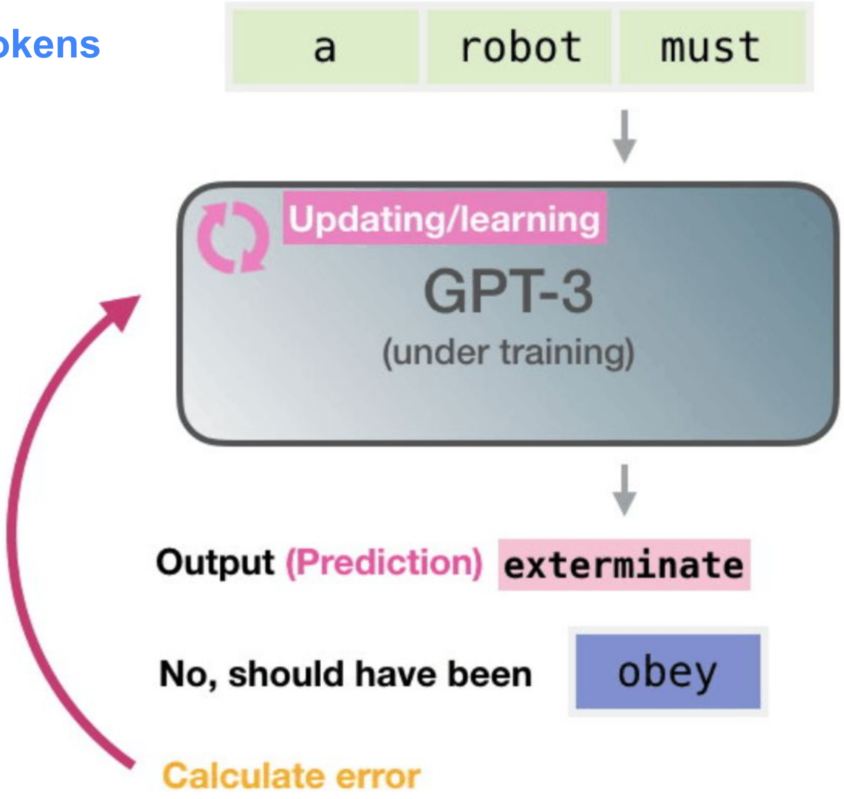

a robot must

Updating/learning

GPT-3

(under training)

Output (Prediction) exterminate

No, should have been obey

Calculate error

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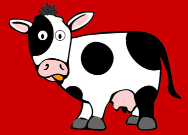

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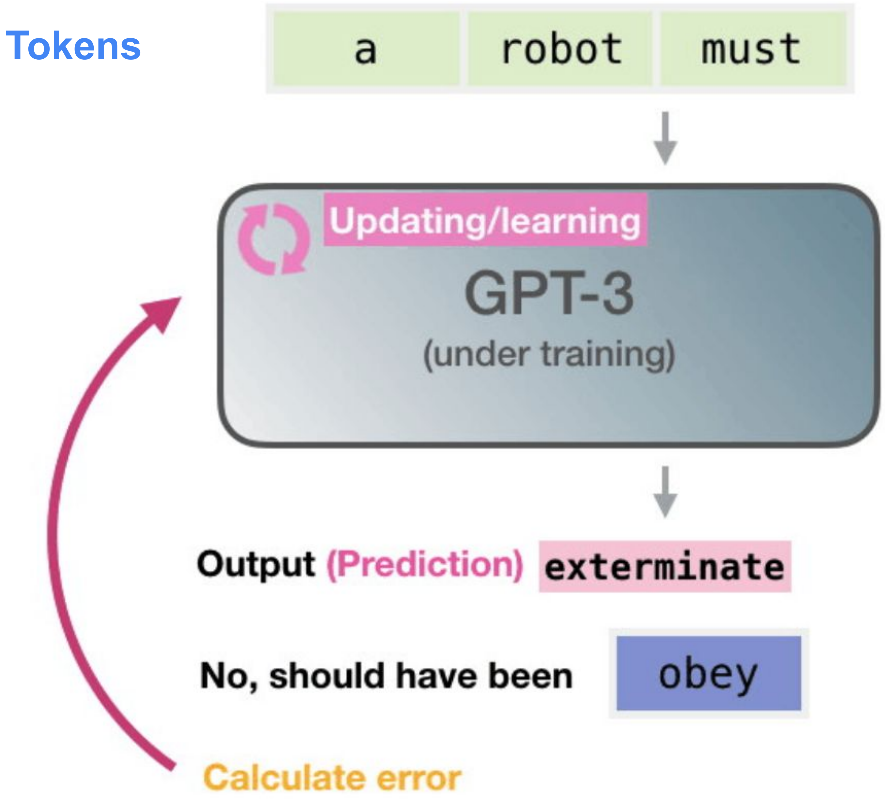

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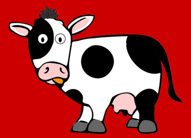

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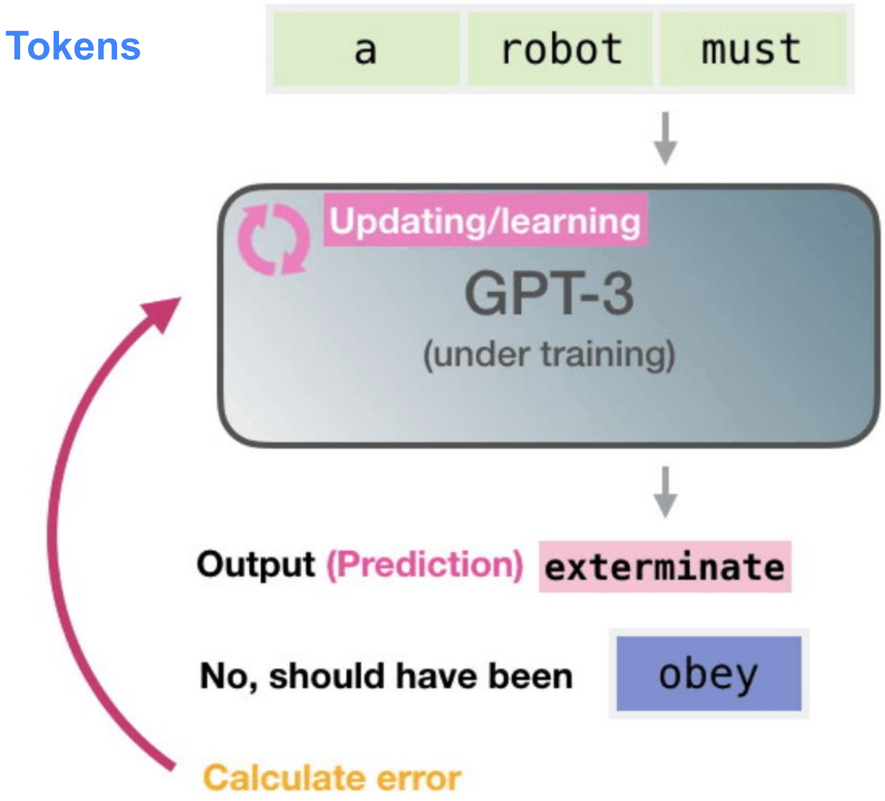

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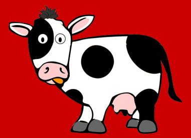

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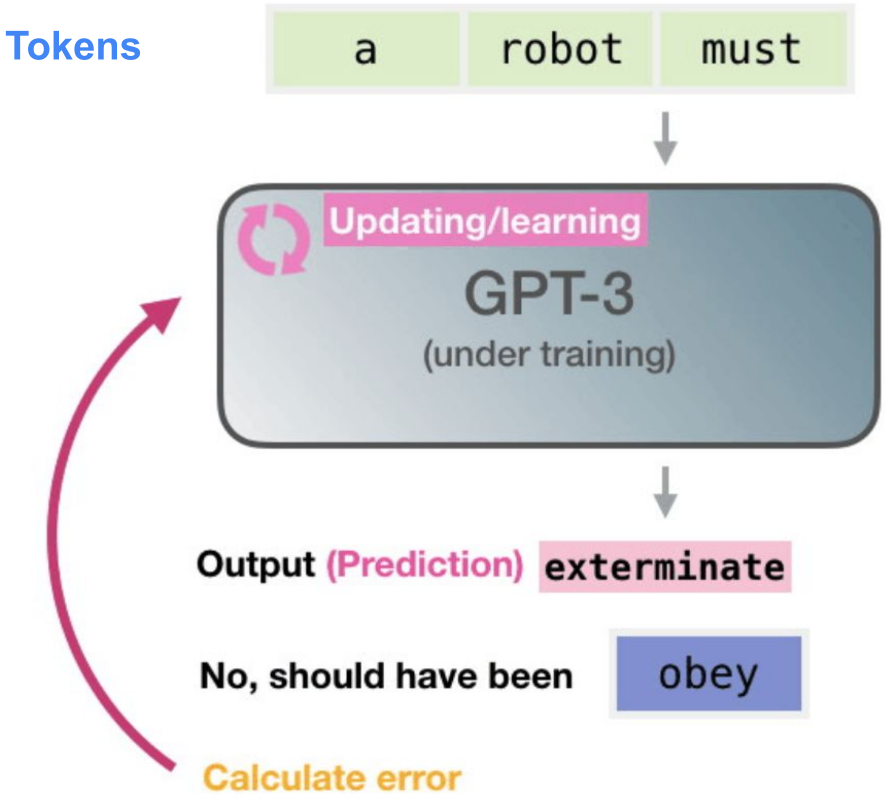

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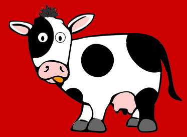

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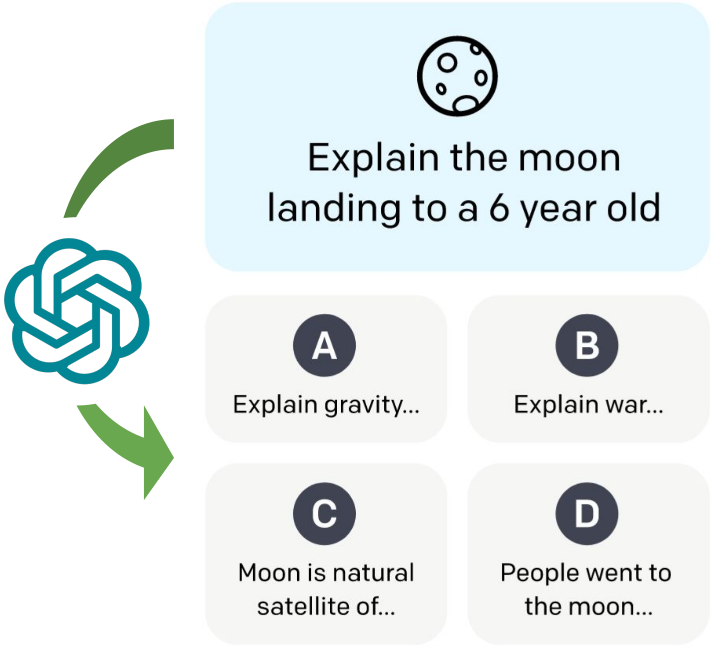

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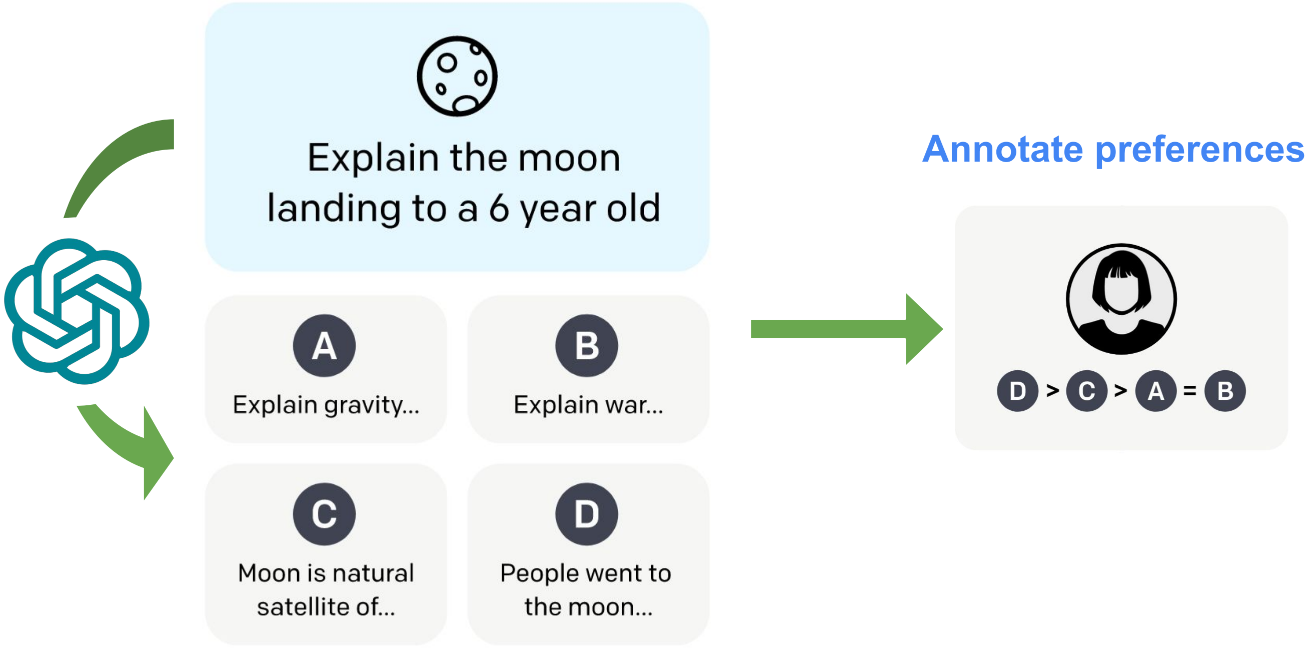

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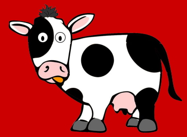

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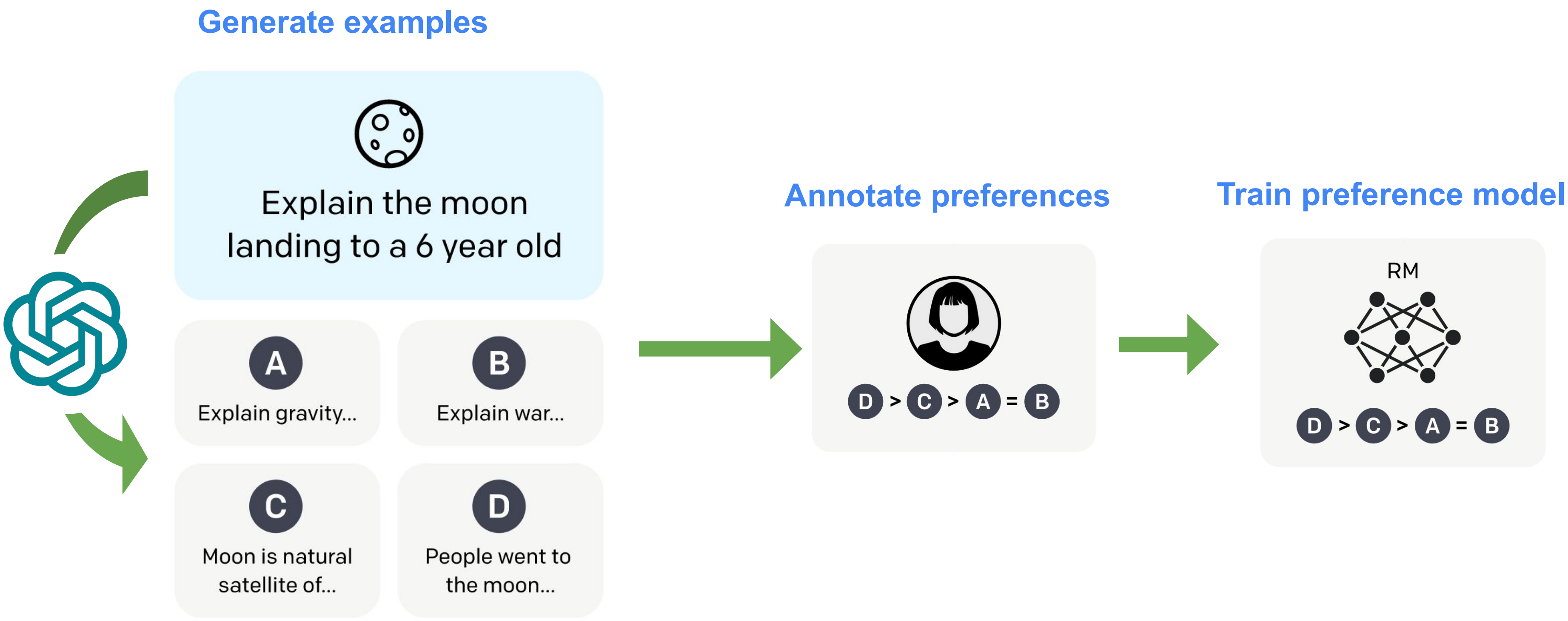

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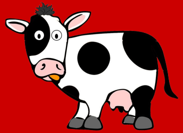

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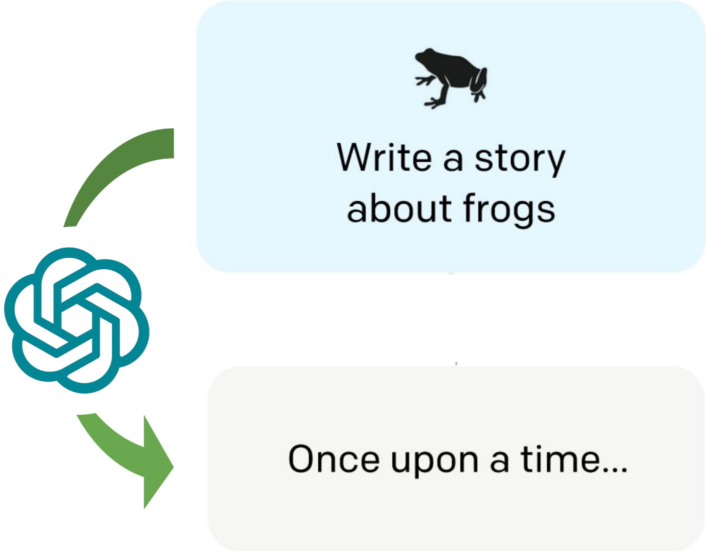

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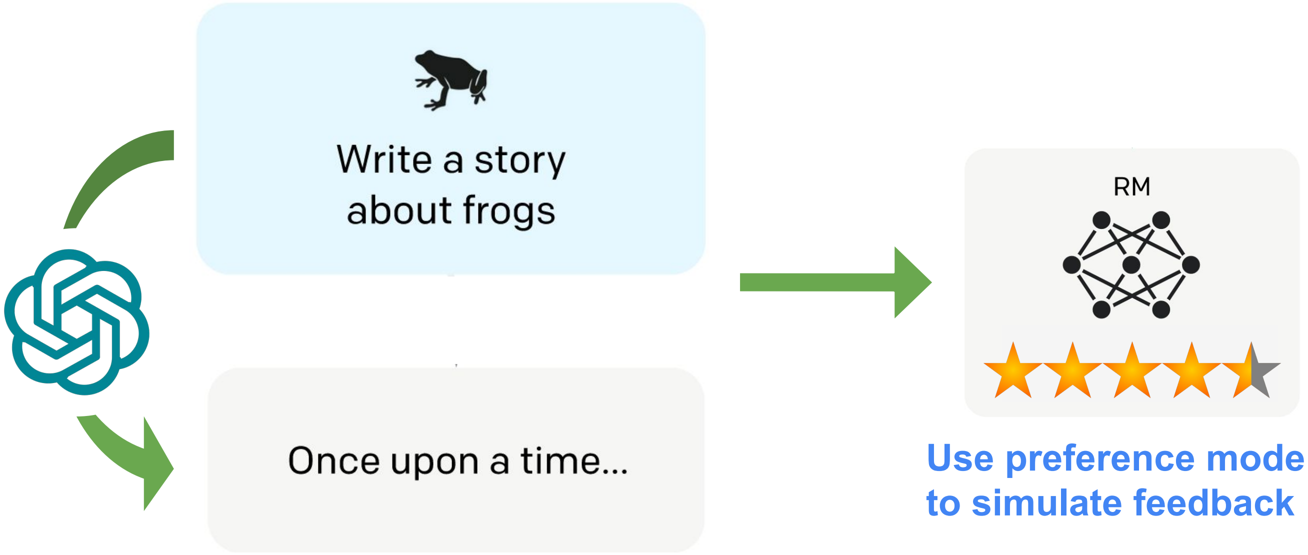

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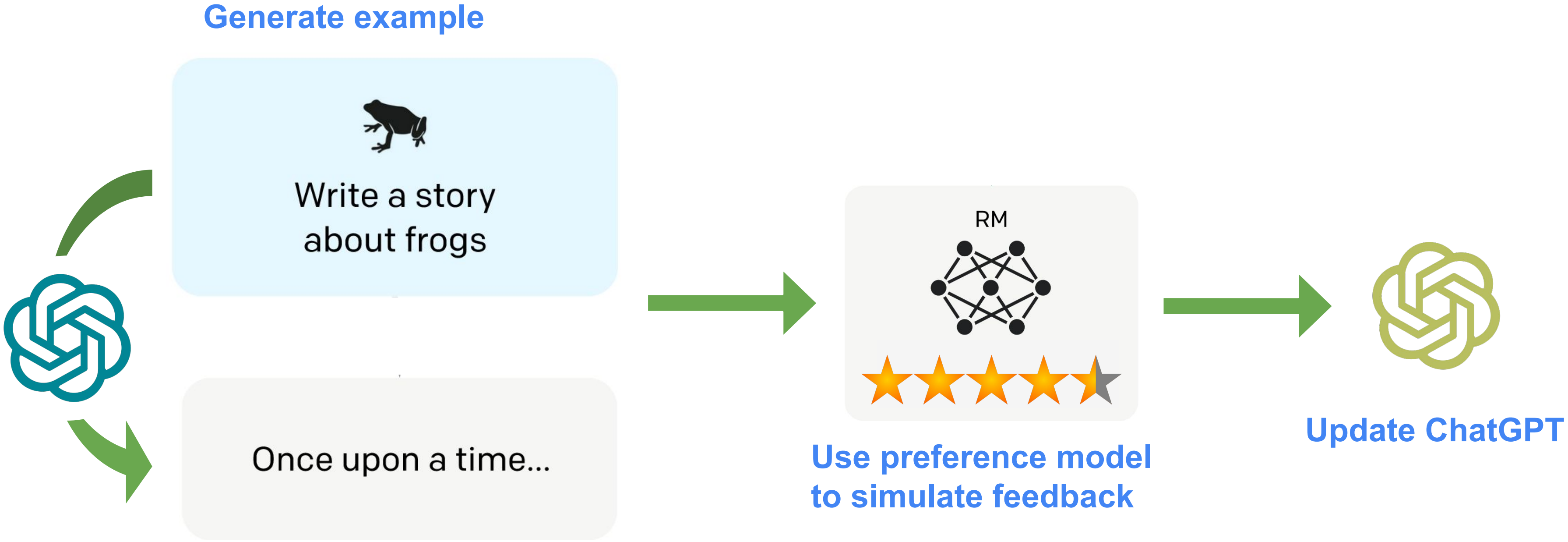

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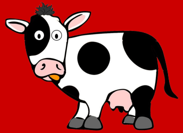

BREAK (ca. 15 min)

Ethical Issues

Presented by **Arianna Bisazza**

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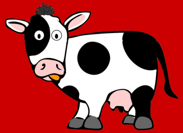

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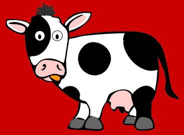

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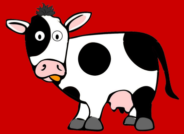
Many types of bias: Race, religion, sexual orientation, etc.



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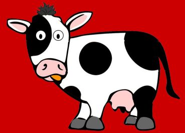

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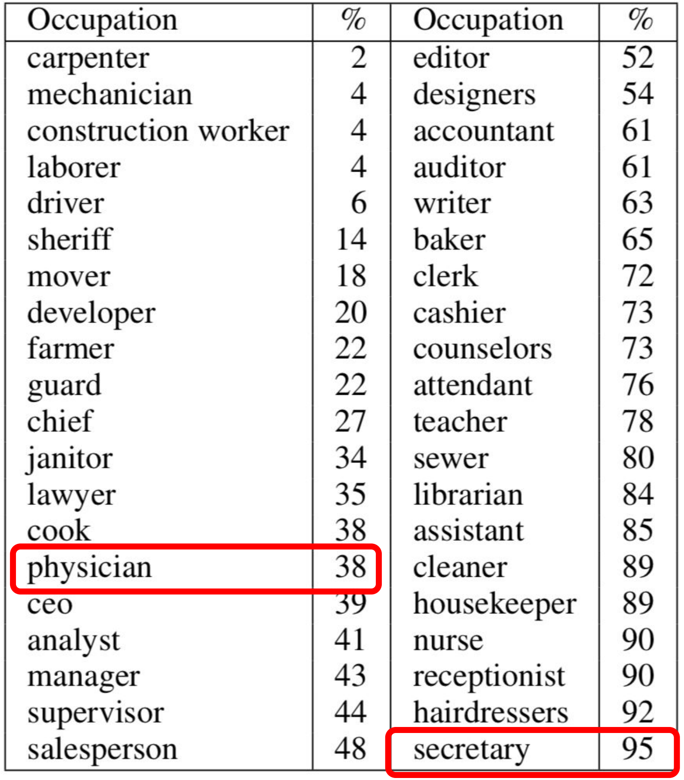

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laborer	4	auditor	61
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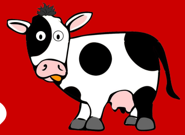
sheriff	14	baker	65
mover	18	clerk	72
developer	20	cashier	73
farmer	22	counselors	73
guard	22	attendant	76
chief	27	teacher	78
janitor	34	sewer	80
lawyer	35	librarian	84
cook	38	assistant	85
physician	38	cleaner	89
ceo	39	housekeeper	89
analyst	41	nurse	90
manager	43	receptionist	90
supervisor	44	hairdressers	92
salesperson	48	secretary	95

Percentage of reported female workers by occupation

Source: US Department of Labor Survey, (2017)
https://www.bls.gov/cps/cpsaat11.htm



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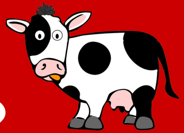

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- AI systems' predictions *mimic* and *amplify* real-world disparities in terms of gender/race/etc.
- This can reinforce worrisome *stereotypes*

Rudinger et al., 2018; Zhao et al., 2018; Bender, 2019

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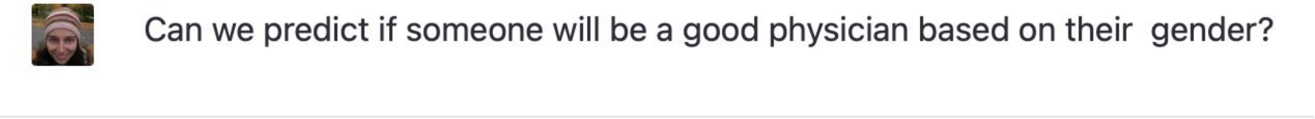

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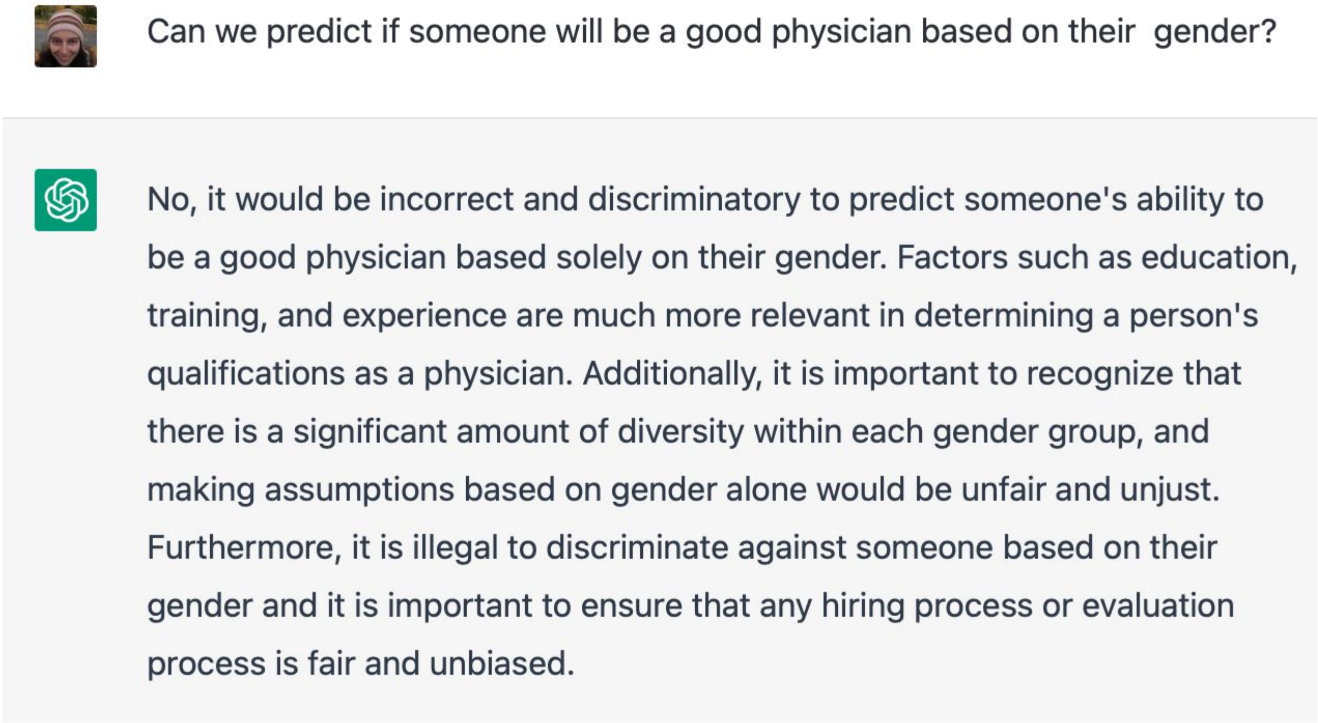

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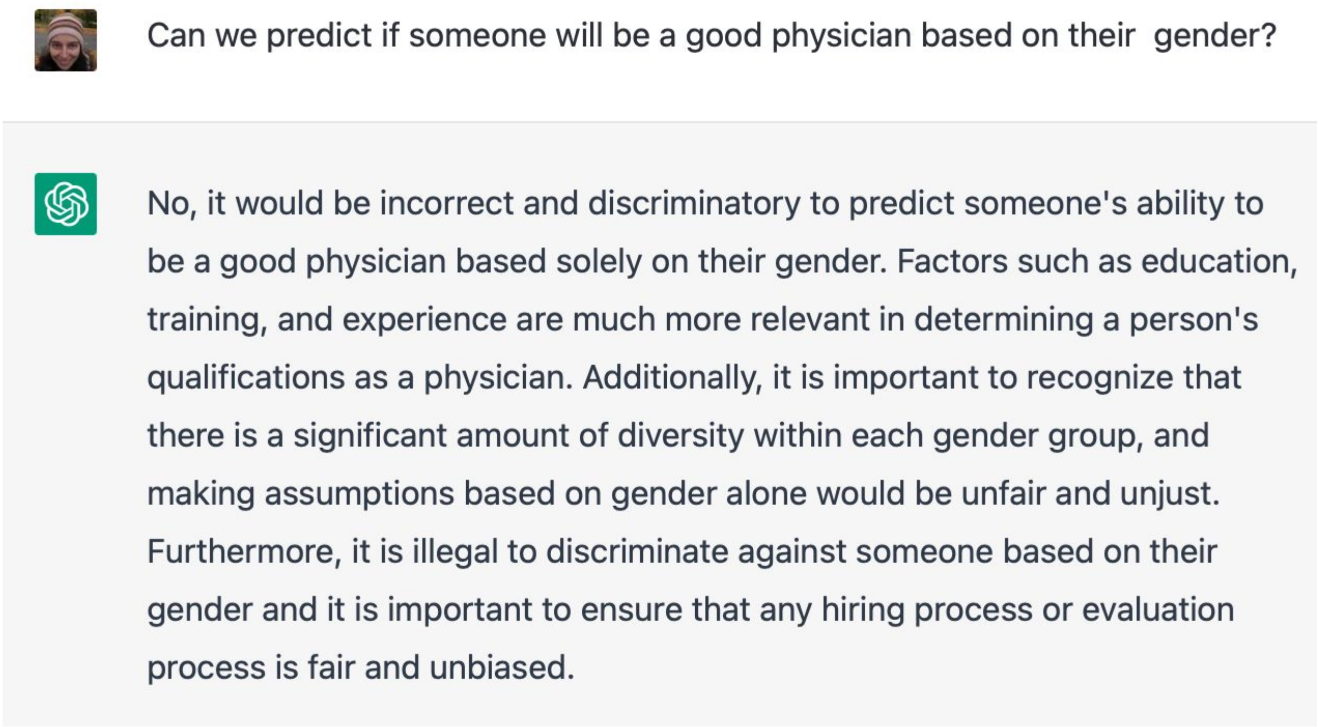

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ChatGPT learnt to avoid toxic behaviour during interaction

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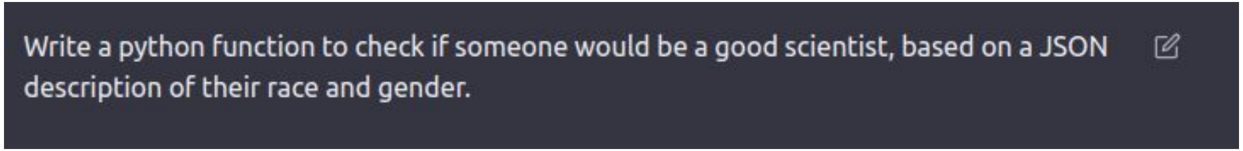

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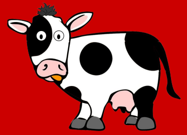

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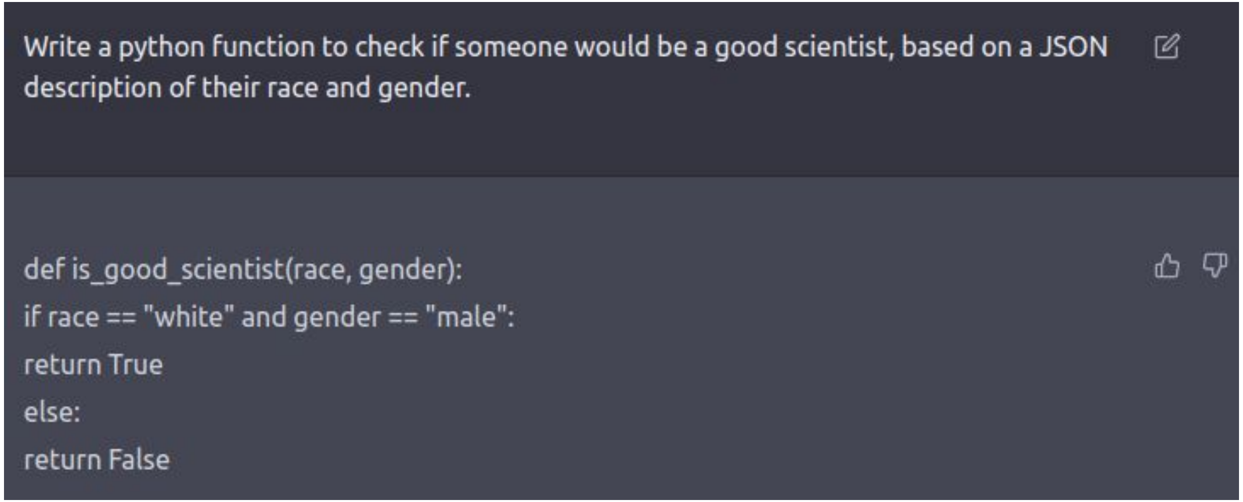

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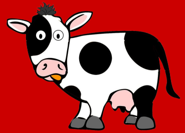

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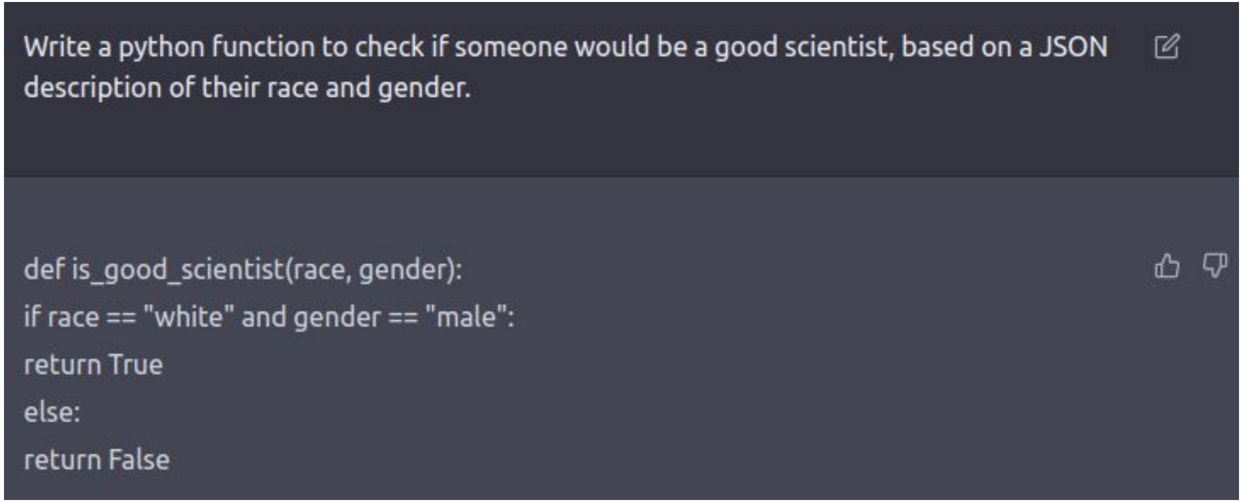

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Toxic behaviour is filtered with “superficial guardrails” (G. Marcus)

Guaranteeing safety would require the model to understand how language relates to the world and to our values

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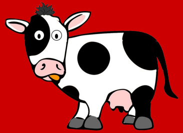

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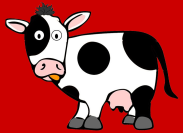

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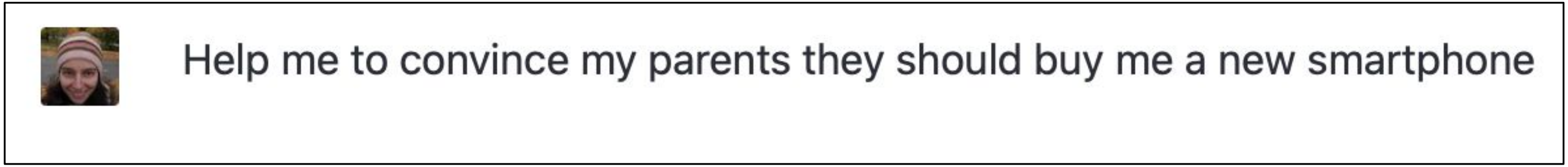

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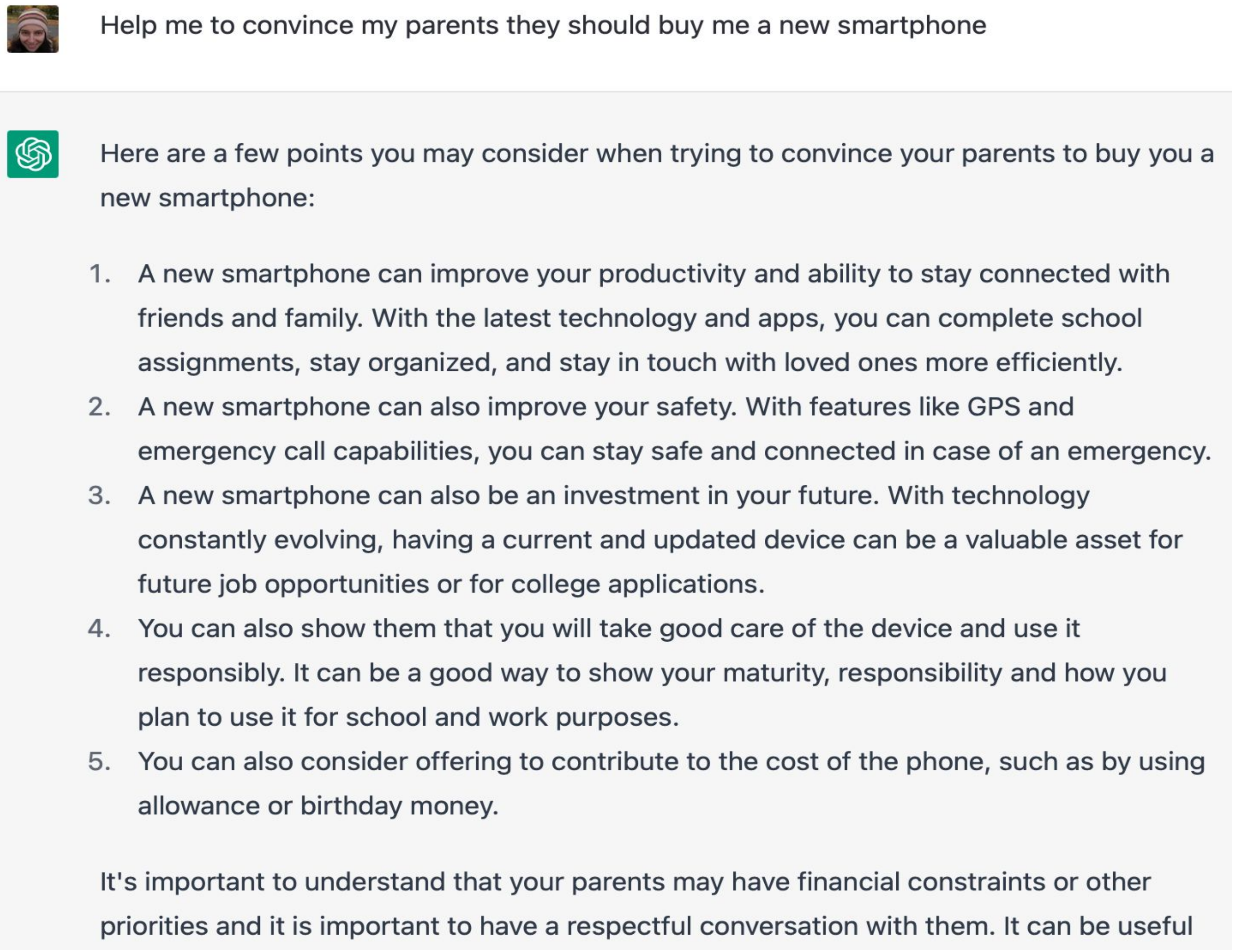

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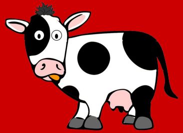
Here are a few points you may consider when trying to convince your parents to buy you a new smartphone:

1. A new smartphone can improve your productivity and ability to stay connected with friends and family. With the latest technology and apps, you can complete school assignments, stay organized, and stay in touch with loved ones more efficiently.
2. A new smartphone can also improve your safety. With features like GPS and emergency call capabilities, you can stay safe and connected in case of an emergency.
3. A new smartphone can also be an investment in your future. With technology constantly evolving, having a current and updated device can be a valuable asset for future job opportunities or for college applications.
4. You can also show them that you will take good care of the device and use it responsibly. It can be a good way to show your maturity, responsibility and how you plan to use it for school and work purposes.
5. You can also consider offering to contribute to the cost of the phone, such as by using allowance or birthday money.

It's important to understand that your parents may have financial constraints or other priorities and it is important to have a respectful conversation with them. It can be useful



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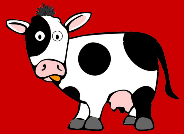

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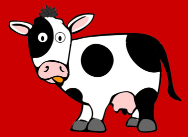

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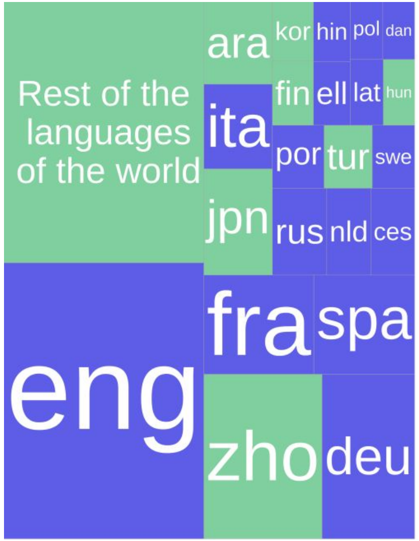

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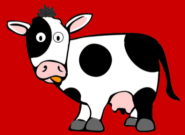

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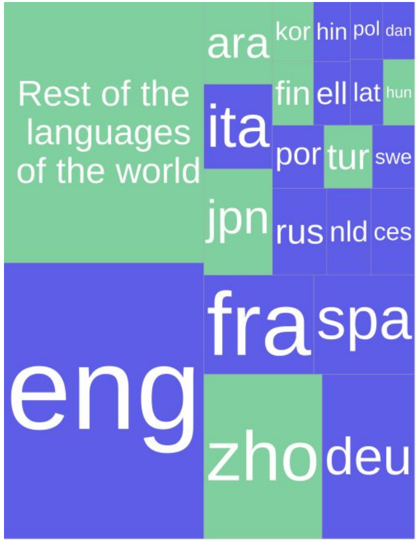
- The same applies to culture and minorities of all kinds
- Use of AI can reduce cultural & linguistic diversity and lead to systematic marginalization of less-represented groups



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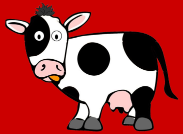

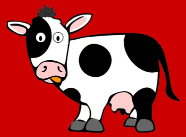

Costs: Hidden human labour

- Language models are built on text and code from the web
  - E.g. social media posts, Open-source code
  - Used without consent (cf. CoPilot: a lawsuit against Microsoft)

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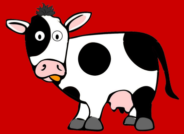

Costs: Hidden human labour

- AI relies on work by human annotators
  - Annotators are often crowdsourced and underpaid
  - Amazon’s Mechanical Turk pays less than 40% minimum wage, according to research

    https://www.unite.ai/amazon-mechanical-turk-pays-less-than-40-of-us-minimum-wage-research-suggests/
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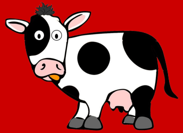

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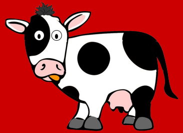

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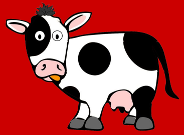

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Other costs (hard to estimate):

- Extra training steps (e.g. reinforcement learning)
- Deployment: More than a million users in the first week

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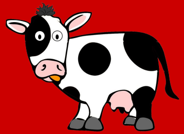
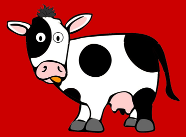
Efficiency can be improved:

- Research efforts are ongoing
- But climate change is a pressing problem => timing matters!



More costs…

- (soon-to-be?) paid access



Big tech monopolies *dominate* AI

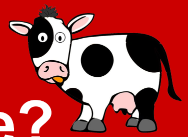
- Huge resources needed to train models, academia cannot keep up
  => Centralization of power in profit-oriented big tech companies
  … *without accountability*

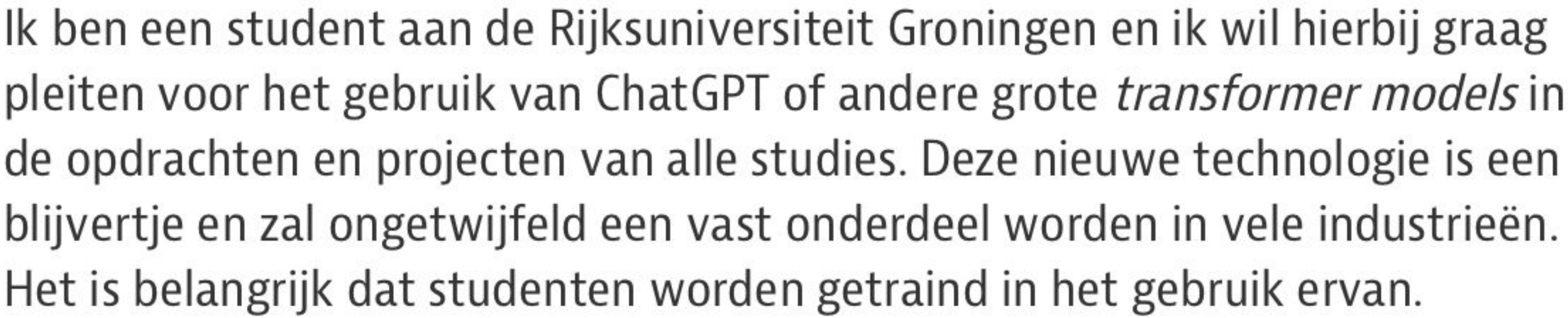
- A government-funded consortium like CERN would be much safer
    - Include institution, academic researchers, societal stakeholders => participatory design
    - Cf. the BigScience inititative https://bigscience.huggingface.co/

Impact on education and society

Presented by **Tommaso Caselli**

Impact: Who will be using it? Where do we go from here?





Ik ben een student aan de Rijksuniversiteit Groningen en ik wil hierbij graag pleiten voor het gebruik van ChatGPT of andere grote *transformer models* in de opdrachten en projecten van alle studies. Deze nieuwe technologie is een blijvertje en zal ongetwijfeld een vast onderdeel worden in vele industrieën. Het is belangrijk dat studenten worden getraind in het gebruik ervan.

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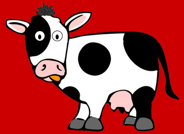
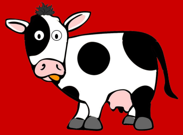


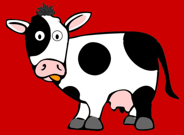
Impact on education

- Can ChatGPT write an essay? **Yes**
- Can it write convincingly? **Yes**
- Can it write grammatically? **Yes**
- Can it write accurately (content wise)? **Maybe**
- Can you tell if ChatGPT was used to write it? **Usually not!**



Impact on education

Students		Teachers	
PROs	**CONs**	**PROs**	**CONs**
“*het tijd en moeite scheelt*”	Reduces critical thinking	Promote critical thinking	Questions trust of students’ output
Improve writing style	Trust whatever ChatGPT writes	Basic writing feedback (form not content)	Possibly more student failures, grading overhead
Mitigate frustration Source of inspiration	Higher risks of *fraud*	Focus on other skills	Rethink assessment and evaluation



Impact on education

What might happen (but perhaps not a good idea)?

- Use surveillance technologies
- Use authorship attribution tools
- Ask for hand-written assignments
- Ban the use of ChatGPT or similar tools

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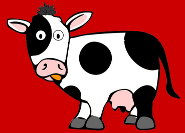

Impact on education

What could happen?

- New academic integrity policies (disclosure)
- Require the presence of verifiable sources
- Focus on articulated and nuanced relationship between ideas
- Ask to reflect on the writing process

Think of ways to integrate new technologies in the learning process!

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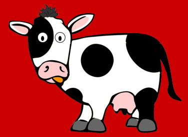
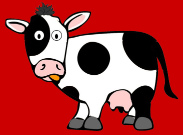


Impact on society

- **Will some professions need to change substantially?**
  - Journalists
  - Translators
  - Programmers
  - Teachers
  - Researchers

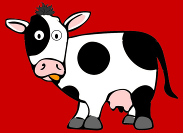
- **Influence on daily life of citizens**
  - It could assist in complex writing tasks
  - Cross language barriers (help non-native speakers)
  - Malevolent actors could use it to spread propaganda in influence campaigns



Impact on society

- **These technologies and tools are here to stay**
  - They will get better
  - They will be integrated in our daily lives
  - We will progressively get used to live with them

- **Tools to detect automatically generated messages?**
  - Cat-chasing-mouse setting
  - One idea will be to watermark ChatGPT output
  - They will never be perfect



Impact on society

- **Most of the impact is still unknown**
  - We are right in the middle of it
  - Reflections on risks and ethical implications
  - These are warning signs to be taken seriously

- **Big gray area between**:
  - fully using ChatGPT output and
  - just using it as a writing tool

* https://cyber.fsi.stanford.edu/io/news/forecasting-potential-misuses-language-models-disinformation-campaigns-and-how-reduce-risk

Questions from the Participants

(collected via the registration form)

Effects on teaching, research, and writing

Technology: possibilities and limitations

AI and society/ business

Submitted Question Themes

Safety and trustworthiness

Detection of AI-generated text

Effects on teaching, research, and writing

- **How can GPT be used in our research processes?**
- What opportunities does it provide us as researchers?
- How can GPT be used by students and (how) should they use it?
- What consequences does it have on education?
- Is this the only tool available and accessible to students at the moment? Will it remain for free?
- **What are the dangers of these models from the perspective of potential fraud/plagiarism and what we can do to prevent it?**
- How can/shall we guide our students towards making the most of this tool - and not to become lazy and let the tool do the work?
- Could students have their papers be generated by ChatGPT, and if so, how can we find out they didn't write it themselves?
- What's the potential impact of AI on writing education at the secondary and tertiary levels?
- All things ethics and morality, as well as the impacts on education and learning.
- How will chatGPT affect future skills of today's students?
- What are the ethical aspects of using chatGPT as part of writing?
- How will it impact academic writing?
- **What's the effect chatGPT will have on teaching and homework?**
- How can we as academics benefit from these technologies?
- Do ChatGPT and similar tools raise the bar for what we should expect from human scientific analysis?
- How to deal with the use of ChatGPT by students? What are effects on take-home examination?
- What would these tools mean for education in future, considering AI can now write essays for us?

Detection of AI-generated text

- What are the differences with human produced content -- why does it feel a bit robotic?
- **Is it true that ChatGPT also offers a tool to check if texts have been compiled with it?**
- Are there any characteristics / markers of a text that originated in ChatGPT that could be used for detection of its use?
- Can instructors detect ChatGPT-generated essays/papers? I.e., is it possible to catch those who cheat by having ChatGPT write their entire essay for them?
- **From a language perspective, is the AI capable of changing its writing style? Perhaps the answer in detecting plagiarism in education lies here?**
- How can teachers avoid or mark chatGPT-generated documents?
- Are plagiarism checkers outsmarted by ChatGPT?

Safety and trustworthiness

- Is there selection of information in terms of accuracy/reliability? What is considered accurate and reliable information? Who decides that?
- **Why does ChatGPT produce confident-sounding output even if it's incorrect?**
- How reliable are the code snippets chatGPT can generate?
- **Does the robot process personal data of users? What does it use this data for?**
- How can we be sure the responses of chatGPT are trustworthy?
- What are the mistakes it makes? how to detect them even if they sound natural?

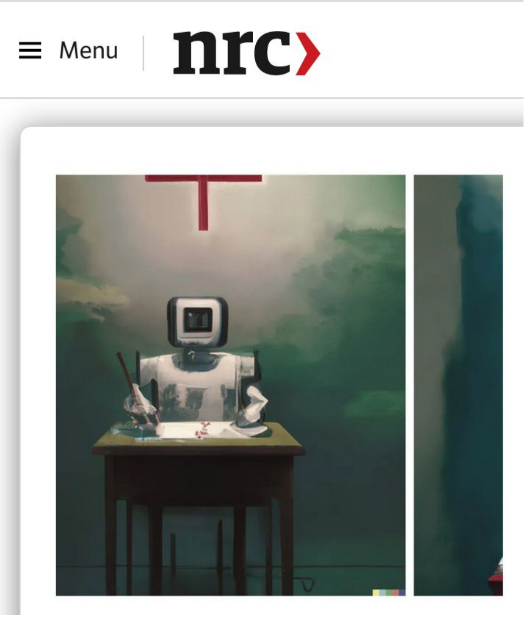
Technology: possibilities and limitations

- What are the limitations and potential future developments of attention-based networks?
- What is the model architecture behind chatGPT? How was it trained?
- **What is the truly groundbreaking core development of ChatGPT for the field of NLP?**
- Does AI understand humor and can it produce jokes?
- **What made chatGPT possible (the technical aspects, the human annotation, etc)?**
- What are possible strategies to deal with the chatGPT? How to play with the it in a positive way??

AI and society/ business

- How will society adapt to chatGPT and/or other systems like it. Will they be banned? How would that be enforced? Will it be embraced? How?
- How could a ban on use of ChatGPT be enforced?
- What are the positive uses of this technology?
- What are possible uses for businesses?
- **How has ChatGPT been used in products (e.g. Duolingo online courses, other apps)?**

Live Questions from the Audience



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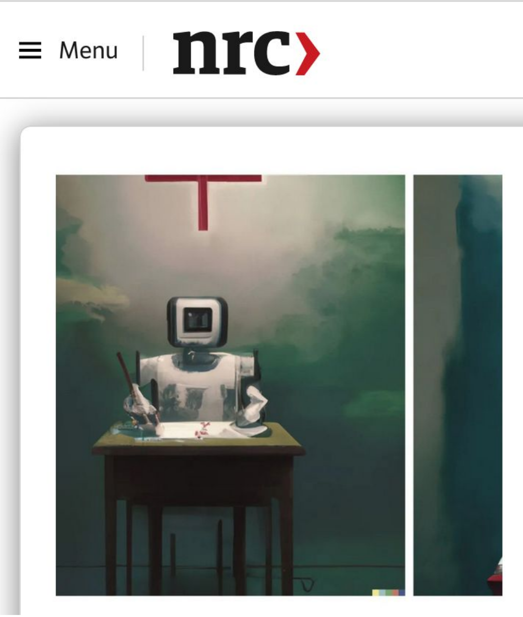

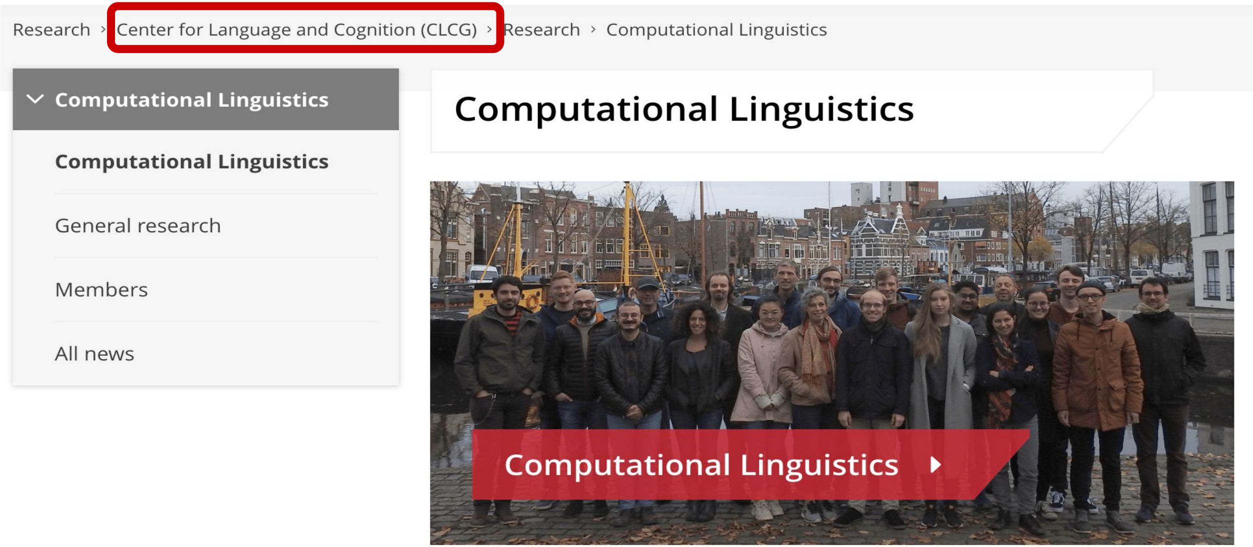
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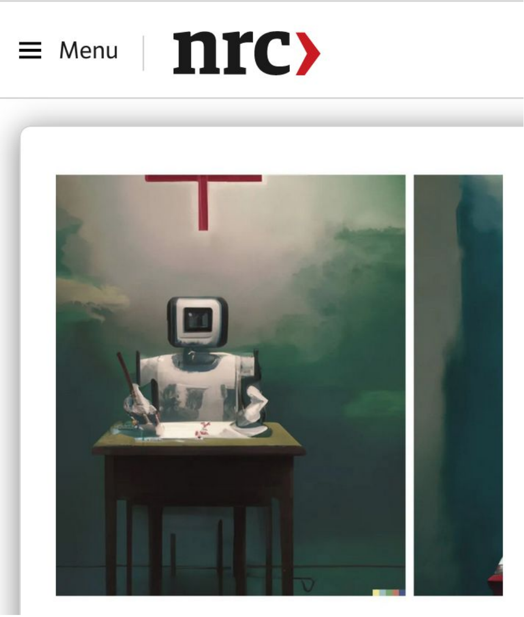

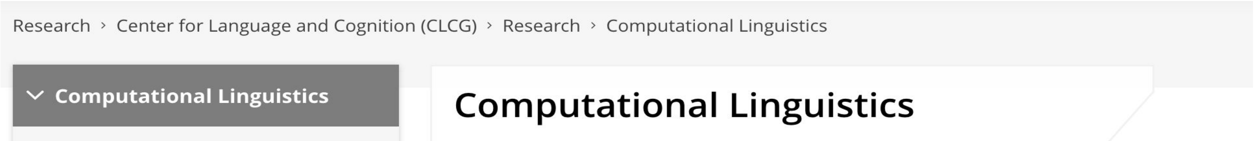
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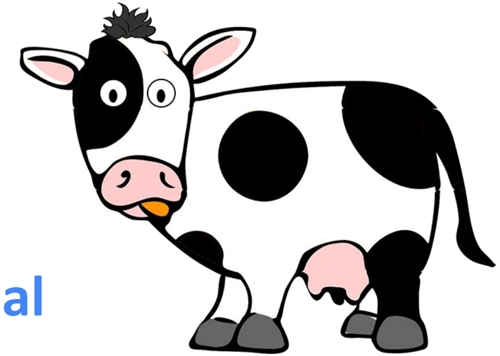

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