

WHO AM I? WHAT IS THIS?

software engineer by training
lost the joy of writing software ~2019
regained the joy of writing software with Github Copilot (~September 2022)
love playing around and working with Al
Nowadays I mostly write software in English

Biased, high-level overview of the space of generative AI I am familiar with Aim to inspire or spark curiosity and give pointers

No theoretical background knowledge (I don't have that)

Optimize for fun!

(always feel free to interrupt and ask questions)

Follow here: https://github.com/JDemler/state-of-gen-ai

AGENDA

Introduction

Image Generation

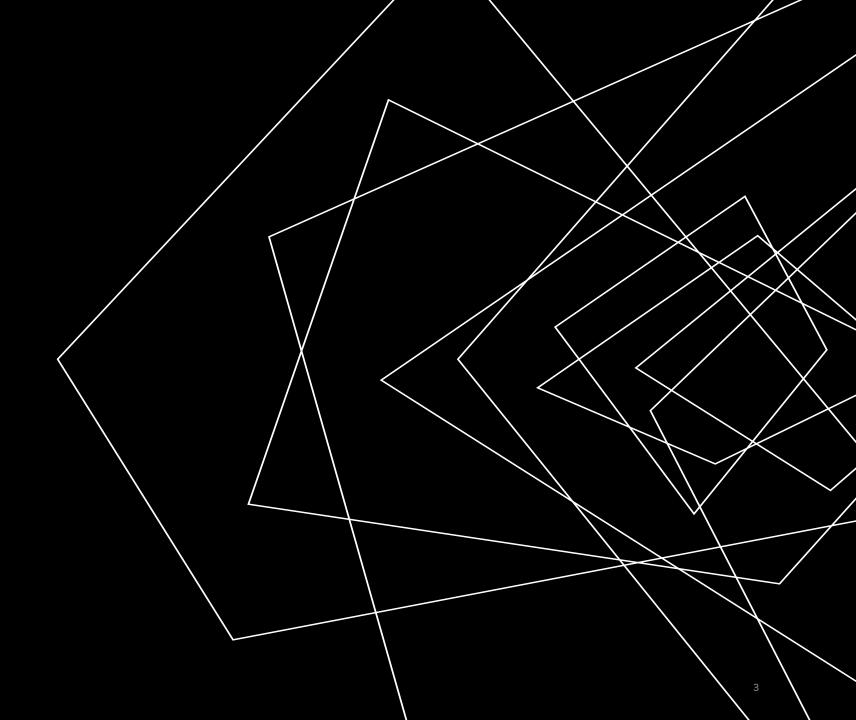
Hands On

Text Generation

Audio Generation

Video Generation

Hands On



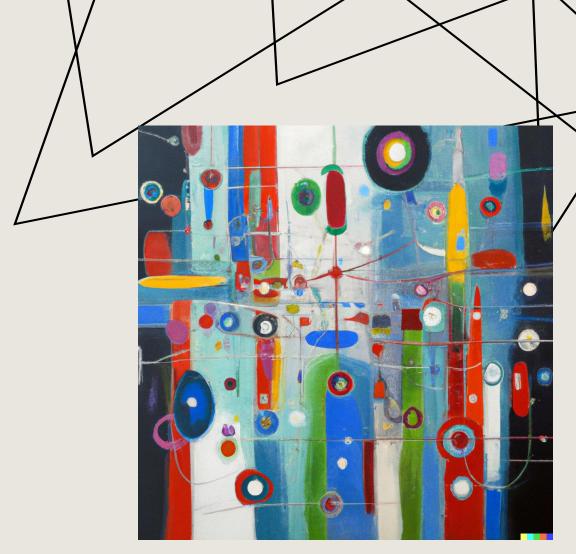
WHAT TOOLS DO I USE DAY TO DAY?

- Software Development: cursor.com
- Search: perplexity.ai
- ChatGPT 40 with Canvas for text production
- ChatGPT o1-preview for hard problems
- ChatGPT Advanced Voice Mode for language learning
- Claude.ai for little "applets"
- Image Generation with recraft.ai (since Tuesday)

IMAGE GENERATION

TIMELINE

- First "usable" models:
- DALL-E 2 (April 2022)
- Midjourney (July 2022)
- Stable Diffusion(August 2022) (OpenSource)
- Current, state-of-the-art Models
- Flux 1.1 (October 2024, from Freiburg)
- Stable Diffusion 3.5 (October 2024)
- Midjourney v6 (July 2024)
- Recraft v3 (November 2024)



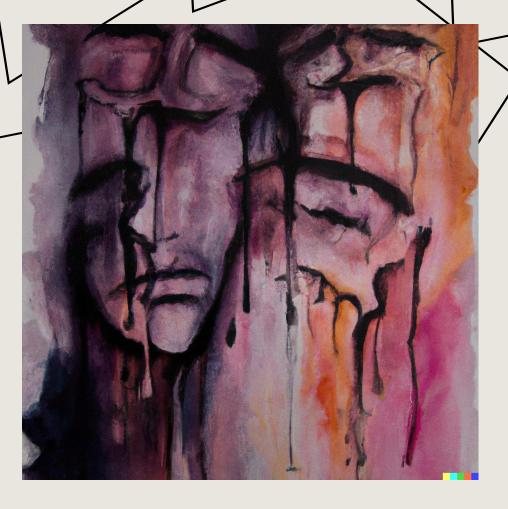
abstract oil on canvas painting of a kubernetes application drowning in complexity

Dalle 2 - 02-09-2022

RECRAFT V3 06-11-2024



DALLE2 02-09-2022



"watercolor painting of a broken love that cannot ever be fixed anymore, dark colors, hopelessness, deep sadness"

RECRAFT V3 06-11-2024





"watercolor painting of a smiling woman with blue hair"

FLUX 1.1 PRO 08-11-2024





"watercolor painting of a man standing on a green alpine pasture with a stick in his hand, shouting of joy, happy, blue sky"

TRYING TO GET THE SPIRIT BACK INTO THE AI

Recraft v3 - 08-11-2024

 abstract rough watercolor painting of a handsome man, no details, thick lines, standing on a green alpine pasture with a stick in his hand, shouting of joy, happy, blue sky, artsy



WE HAVE COME FULL CIRCLE:









CHARACTERISTICS

- can be run on consumer hardware in general
- Vibrant community of users (ControlNets, Finetunes, LORAs, Uis)
- Workflows can get very complicated

Communities:

- https://www.reddit.com/r/StableDiffusion/
- https://civitai.com/

Tools:

- https://github.com/comfyanonymous/ComfyUI
- https://github.com/AUTOMATIC1111/stable-diffusion-webui

• Vast.ai (rented GPUs)

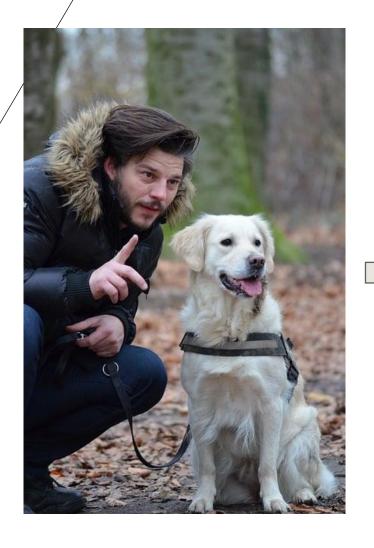
ComfyUI

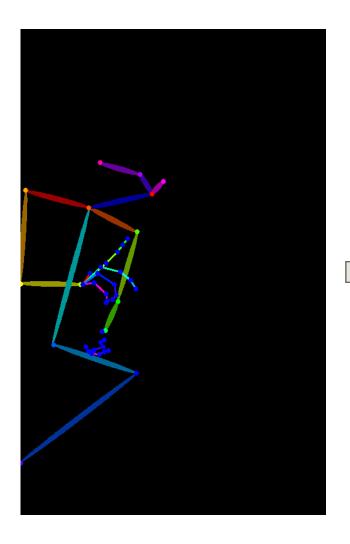
• Flux 1.1 "Schnell"

• Or hosted: replicate.com; recraft.ai

DEMO

POSE









IP ADAPTER







TEXT GENERATION

TIMELINE

First "usable" models:

- ChatGPT (GPT 3.5) (December 2022)
- GPT-4 (April 2023)

Current, state-of-the-art models

- GPT-40 + o1-preview and mini (OpenAI)
- Claude Sonnet 3.5 (Anthropic)
- Google Gemini Pro (Google)
- Grok-2 (xAI)

Also: hundreds of smaller/opensource/finetune models

MetaAI: Ilama family of models (405b – 1b parameter, multimodal, open weights)

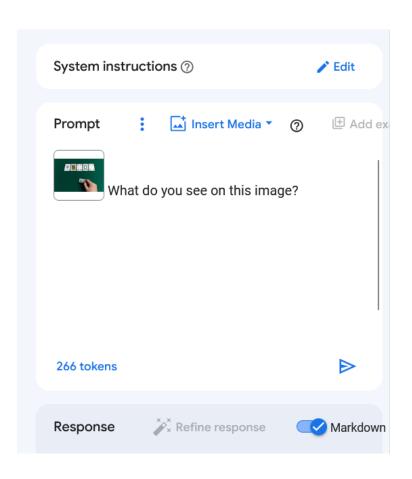
Alibaba: Qwen family of models (72b and 7b, multimodal)

Mistral, DeepSeek, probably a new one since I started talking

TIMELINE

Nowadays: Multimodality:

- Not only Text but also Images, Video and Audio as input;
- In most cases still only text as output



That's a picture of a poker hand being played on a green felt poker table.

Here's what we see:

- The Community Cards: Five cards are laid out in the center of the table: Ace of Spades, Queen of Spades, Four of Hearts, Ten of Spades, and Four of Diamonds.
- A Player's Hand: A hand is holding two cards (partially visible), which appear to be the Jack and King of Spades. Only a portion of the cards are shown.
- The Table: A dark green felt poker table provides the background.

The image suggests a moment in a poker game where a player is holding their hand, and the community cards are visible.

HOW CAN I GET AN OVERVIEW?

https://lmarena.ai/?leaderboard (LLMs ranked by ELO)

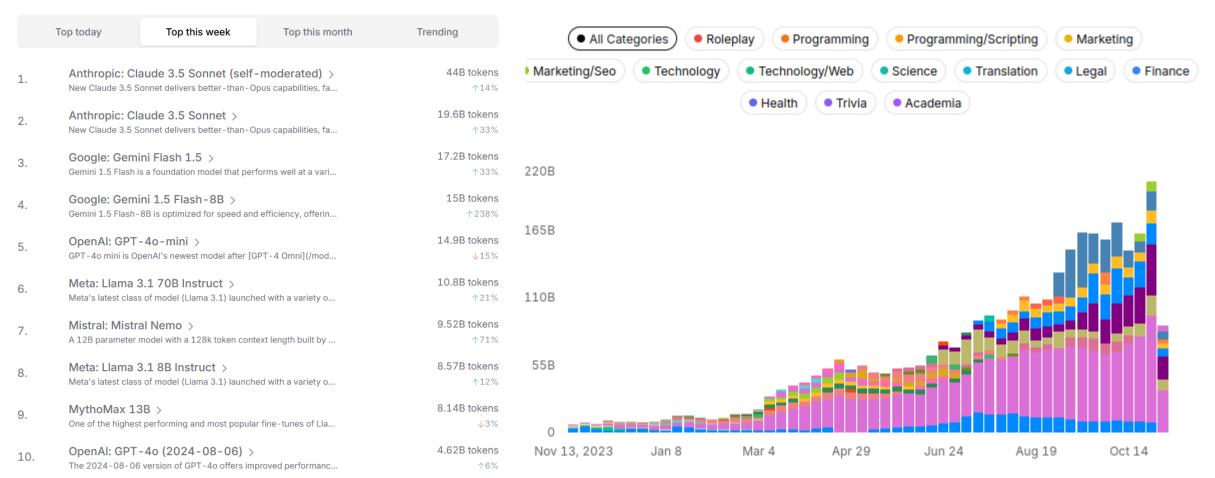
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1	1	<u>ChatGPT-4o-latest (2024-09-03)</u>	1340	+4/-3	33743	OpenAI	Proprietary	2023/10
1	1	o1-preview	1335	+4/-4	21071	OpenAI	Proprietary	2023/10
3	6	o1-mini	1308	+4/-4	23128	OpenAI	Proprietary	2023/10
3	4	Gemini-1.5-Pro-002	1303	+4/-4	15736	Google	Proprietary	Unknown
4	4	Gemini-1.5-Pro-Exp-0827	1299	+4/-3	32385	Google	Proprietary	2023/11
6	9	Grok-2-08-13	1290	+3/-3	40873	xAI	Proprietary	2024/3
6	3	Claude 3.5 Sonnet (20241022)	1286	+6/-6	7284	Anthropic	Proprietary	2024/4
6	11	<u>Yi-Lightning</u>	1285	+4/-4	20973	01 AI	Proprietary	Unknown
6	4	GPT-40-2024-05-13	1285	+3/-3	102960	OpenAI	Proprietary	2023/10
10	15	GLM-4-Plus	1275	+4/-4	19922	Zhipu AI	Proprietary	Unknown
10	18	GPT-4o-mini-2024-07-18	1273	+4/-3	42661	OpenAI	Proprietary	2023/10
10	19	Gemini-1.5-Flash-002	1272	+5/-6	12379	Google	Proprietary	Unknown
10	26	Llama-3.1-Nemotron-70b-Instruct	1271	+5/-7	6228	Nvidia	Llama 3.1	2023/12
10	14	Gemini-1.5-Flash-Exp-0827	1269	+4/-4	25503	Google	Proprietary	2023/11

WHAT ARE PEOPLE ACTUALLY USING?

https://openrouter.ai/rankings

LLM Rankings

Compare models for all prompts (1)



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dirty south drill cajun gnawawave
  accordion 16-bit acoustic raga afro
  fife and drum blues acid breaks japane
     dembow punk drill bubblegum dance gna
      illblent cumbia koto tuareg norteño pop prog dut
      dembow balkan brass band drill breakbeat gnawa bul
     2-step country acoustic funk afro-rock ambient dub ami
    electronic math rock japanese chanson portuguese surf rock
   avant-garde jazz rap blues afro house calypso opera choral foll
  illbient alternative rock koto trap new wave acid trance prog drum ar
 dembow drill and bass gnawa gnawa afrobeat harpischord anti-folk site
2-step acoustic electropop afro-rock ambient house p-funk surf shushum
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AUDIO GENERATION (MUSIC)

Suno.ai

Udio.com

VIDEO GENERATION

- Currently still expensive to generate videos
- Seems to be a competitive market, Chinese models seem to be leading in this space
- A lot of progress in the last months

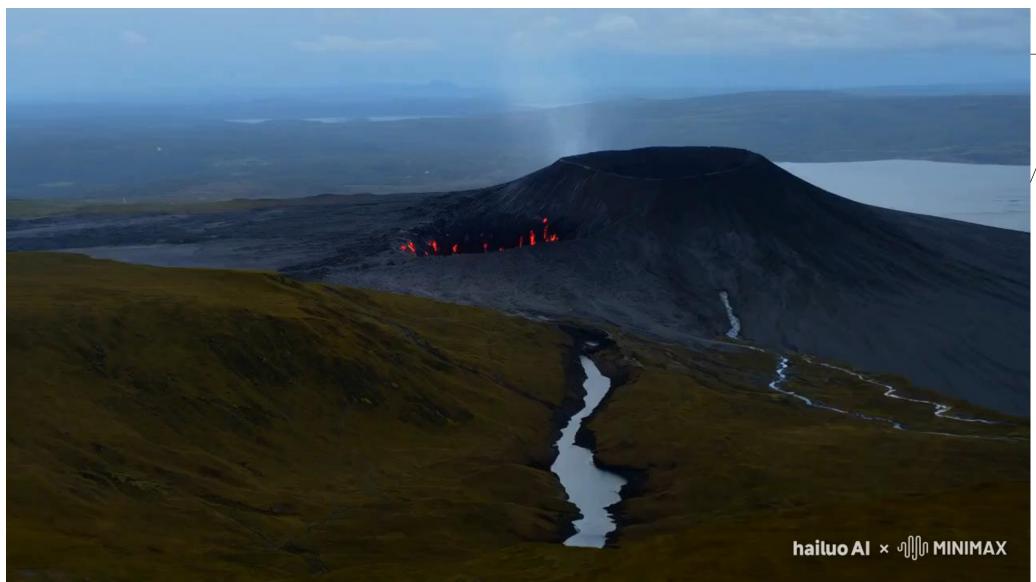
EXAMPLE 1 – META MOVIE GEN



EXAMPLE 2 - MOCHI



EXAMPLE 3 - MINIMAX



OTHER PROJECTS

- moshi.chat (audio-to-audio)
- https://notebooklm.google/ (Google, generates podcasts)
- https://www.decart.ai/ Minecraft world simulator

WHERE CAN I TRY ALL THESE THINGS?

- locally (if you have the GPU and skills)
- Cloud rented GPU (e.g. vast.ai ~0.4€ per hour)
- Replicate (https://replicate.com, many models pay per use)
- OpenRouter (text-based-models, pay per use)
- Huggingface
- Various SaaS offerings

HOW TO STAY INFORMED?

- Huggingface Trending Models (https://huggingface.co/models)
- Leaderboards https://lmarena.ai/?leaderboard
- https://artificialanalysis.ai/ (also has leaderboards for image, video and speech generation)
- Reddit (/r/stablediffusion, /r/singularity, /r/ollama)
- X (https://x.com/emollick, the big studios (openai, metaai, anthropic and their employees), anonymous figures: @apples_jimmy, @kimmonismus, @tszzl)

WORK TIME

Groups of 2-3. At least one laptop per group

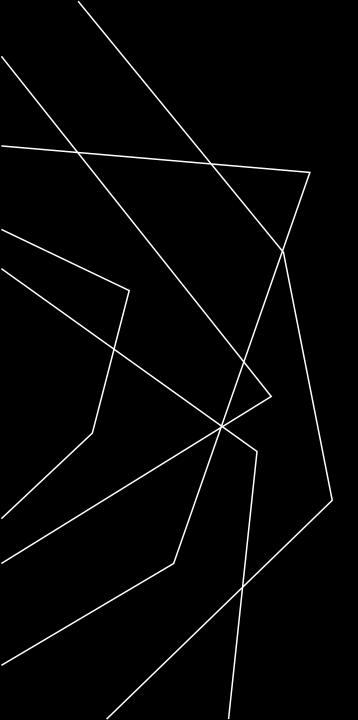
Proposals:

- 1. Create a little story with illustrations
- 2. Large Language Model LLM Comedy Arena (Input: topic to joke about, rate Ilms by how funny their jokes are)
- 3. Recipe bot (Input: photo of ingredients -> output recipe + photo of potential result)
- 4. Poker/Backgammon game recorder (Input: Video of poker game -> structured output of what happened)

HOW TO WRITE CODE IF YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO WRITE CODE

- 1. Download and Install https://www.cursor.com/
- 2. Download Starting Point: https://github.com/JDemler/state-of-gen-ai/archive/refs/heads/main.zip
- 3. Select file you want to work in (for example comedy-club.html)
- 4. Press ctrl-i (opens cursor composer)
- 5. Tell composer what you want to have + click apply
- 6. Open file in browser (for example comedy-club.html)
- 7. Test the result, if it does not work as expected check Developer Tools for errors (F12 -> Console in Firefox, CTRL-SHIFT-J in Chrome)
- 8. Copy potential errors or your suggestions for improvements back into composer
- 9. Repeat until happy

PRESENTATION OF RESULTS + DISCUSSION



THANK YOU

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