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GPT – 3.5 – turbo: IB Math Question and Answer Generator

I have written some code using Open AI API to generate IB math question and answer.

For the model to provide accurate question and answer, it is best to provide relevant context: summary of topic + an example question at best.

Attached below is a simple interface showcasing the context provided to the model, and math questions and answers generated as a result.

Prompt for the examples below include keywords "SL math question", "medium difficulty level", "non-calculator type"

Example 1 - Optimal case

IB Math (HL/SL) Q&A Generator

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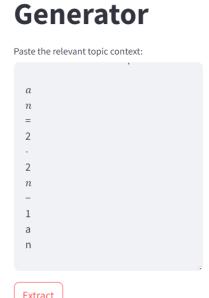
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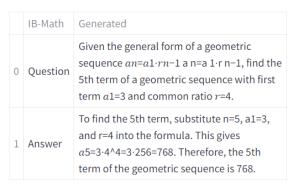
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Example 2 - Providing topic background and example question



(HL/SL) Q&A



Context

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$$an=a1\cdot rn-1$$

Where:

- anan is the nth term of the sequence
- a1a1 is the first term of the sequence
- rr is the common ratio between each term of the sequence

For example, consider the geometric sequence 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, ... with the first term a1=2a1=2 and the common ratio r=2r=2. Using the formula, we can find the nth term of the sequence:

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Question

Given the general form of a geometric sequence $an=a1\cdot rn-1$ a n=a 1·r n-1, find the 5th term of a geometric sequence with first term a1=3 and common ratio r=4.

Answer

To find the 5th term, substitute n=5, a1=3, and r=4 into the formula. This gives $a5=3\cdot4^4=3\cdot256=768$. Therefore, the 5th term of the geometric sequence is 768.

Example 3 - symbols annotated in the form of text

IB Math (HL/SL) Q&A Generator

Paste the relevant topic context:

What is the Binomial Theorem?
The binomial theorem (sometimes known as the binomial expansion) gives a method for expanding a two-term expression in a bracket raised to a power
A binomial expression is in fact any two terms inside the bracket, however in IB the expression will usually be linear
To expand a bracket with a two-term expression in:
First choose the most appropriate

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First choose the most appropriate parts of the expression to assign to a and b

Then use the formula for the binomial theorem:

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r close parentheses

or straight C presubscript space n end presubscript subscript r

You will usually be asked to find the first three or four terms of an expansion

Look out for whether you should give your answer in ascending or descending powers of x

For ascending powers start with the constant term, an

For descending powers start with the term with x in

You may wish to swap a and b over so that you can follow the general formula given in the formula book

Question

Expand the expression (2x - 3)⁵ using the Binomial Theorem.

Answer

Expanding $(2x - 3)^5$ using the Binomial Theorem: $(2x)^5 + 5*(2x)^4 * (-3) + 10*(2x)^3 * (-3)^2 + 10*(2x)^2 * (-3)^3 + 5*(2x) * (-3)^4 + (-3)^5 = 32x^5 - 240x^4 + 720x^3 - 1080x^2 + 810x - 243$

Example 4 - Straightaway providing an example question

IB Math (HL/SL) Q&A Generator

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For the function $f(x)=x3+1,2\le x\le 10$:

- a) write down the value of f(7).
- b) find the range of f(x)

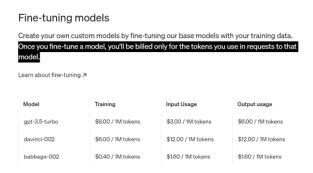
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0	Question	For the function $f(x)=x^3+1$, $2\le x\le 10$: a) write down the value of $f(7)$. b) find the range of $f(x)$
1	Answer	a) $f(7) = 7^3 + 1 = 343 + 1 = 344$. b) To find the range of $f(x)$, we need to look at the possible values that $f(x)$ can take. Since x^3 is always positive or zero for real x , and adding 1 doesn't change that, the minimum value of $f(x)$ occurs at $x=2$ where $f(2) = 2^3 + 1 = 8 + 1 = 9$. The function $f(x)$ increases with increasing x without bound. Therefore, the range of $f(x)$ is $[9, \infty)$.

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Finetuning OGPT – 3.5 – turbo

Purpose: to suit more domain-specific task – suit IB math syllabus HL and SL standard, and also customize style / tone of questions and answers generated.

Advantages: higher quality, save tokens and costs, lower latency request



Prepare dataset in the format below:

1. System prompt: (i) HL/SL (ii) Calculator/Non-calculator (iii) Topic

2. User prompt: the topic given

3. Assistant prompt: the response returned

Json file → Jsonl file → load into OpenAI

https://platform.openai.com/docs/guides/fine-tuning/create-a-fine-tuned-model

Finetuning existing pre-trained / fine-tuned model e.g. T5 model

Incorporating mathematical knowledge into model:

1. Tokenization

For e.g. GPT2 tokenizer:

Given an expression $3x^2 + 4x + 5 = 0$, individual components: numbers, variables, operators and exponentiation are identified and tokenized into ['3', 'x', '^', '2', '+', '4', 'x', '+', '5', '=', '0'].

2. Embedding representation

If a language model doesn't handle mathematical problems well, it means the embeddings for mathematical symbols and notation haven't been learned properly. Potential issues: insufficient training data, improper tokenization, lack of contextual training, and failure to learn mathematical patterns.

3. Libraries to deal with symbolic processing SymPy, LaTeX and MathJax

Can translate mathematical expressions into formats that LLMs can understand and process.

Examples of fine-tuned models on math dataset

1. MU-NLPC/calcformer-t5-large

T5 model fine-tuned on CalcX – math problems dataset

In the training dataset, in "answers" section, the steps that are needed to calculate for giving a right answer is converted into Chain-of-Thought, which is in "calculator terms". The model interacts with an external system: a SYMPY calculator to calculate the mathematical operations in the training examples.

A training example of CalcX dataset:



T5 model is then subsequently fine-tuned on this dataset: using tags to wrap text. An example of tag:

tags	
<result>18</result>	Result tag: to display calculated answer
<gadget id="calculator">27/3</gadget>	Gadget tag: acts as input / queries to an external system. External system here refers to a calculator
<output>9</output>	Output tag: acts as response of the "calculator" to the input / query

An inference example of the model

Flaw:

It is still unable to perform more complex operations that is outside the scope of (+-*/). Do not match the difficulty level of IB curriculum.

Might need further research on the ability of (i) tokenizing complex symbols. (ii) capturing of embedding representation of complex symbols by the model (ii) external systems: "calculator" to work on more complex operations

Challenges

- 1. Pipeline: there are 3 elements in dataset context, question and answer. What should be the input and what should be the output
 - → Recommended to go through 2 pipelines: one for question generation, and for question answering
- 2. Question generation in the form of equations: so far, seen questions are all in the form of English texts: e.g.
 - a. Question: What structure is classified as a definite lie algebra?
 - b. Answer: A definite Lie algebra is a Lie algebra equipped with an inner product that is positive definite. Such an algebra is called a...

But according to IB math syllabus, it should be in the form of equations.

- → Create new tokenizer based on the fed dataset
- → Utilize other models that are pretrained on math equations
- → Combining neural systems and symbolic systems (calculator)
- 3. Tagging and categorization of text: should questions in different categories be processed separately: meaning a different tag OR should it be stated explicitly in the prompt???
- 4. The answer is not found in context, can't be processed in this way:

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2. highlight format
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Here the answer span is highlighted within the text with special highlight tokens.

<hl> 42 <hl> is the answer to life, the universe and everything.

This idea is proposed in the "A Recurrent BERT-based Model for Question Generation" paper. See section 4.3

https://github.com/patil-suraj/question_generation?tab=readme-ov-file#question-generation-using-transformers

Can we generate answers which can't be found in the context?

Resources:

 A model that can run both question generation and question answering (finetuned on French dataset)

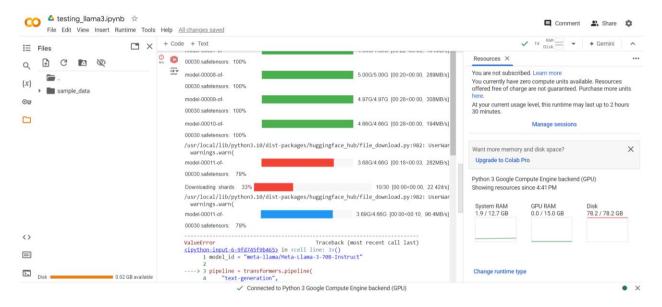
https://huggingface.co/JDBN/t5-base-fr-qg-fquad

the pre-processing of the dataset is pre-processed as such:

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Running llama 3 on Google Colab



Ran out of disk space

Additional Resources

1. Abstractive Question Answering – retriever, building dataset, uploading data and querying and getting CoT for GPT-3.5, get result from GPT-3.5

https://myscale.com/docs/en/sample-applications/abstractive-qa/