

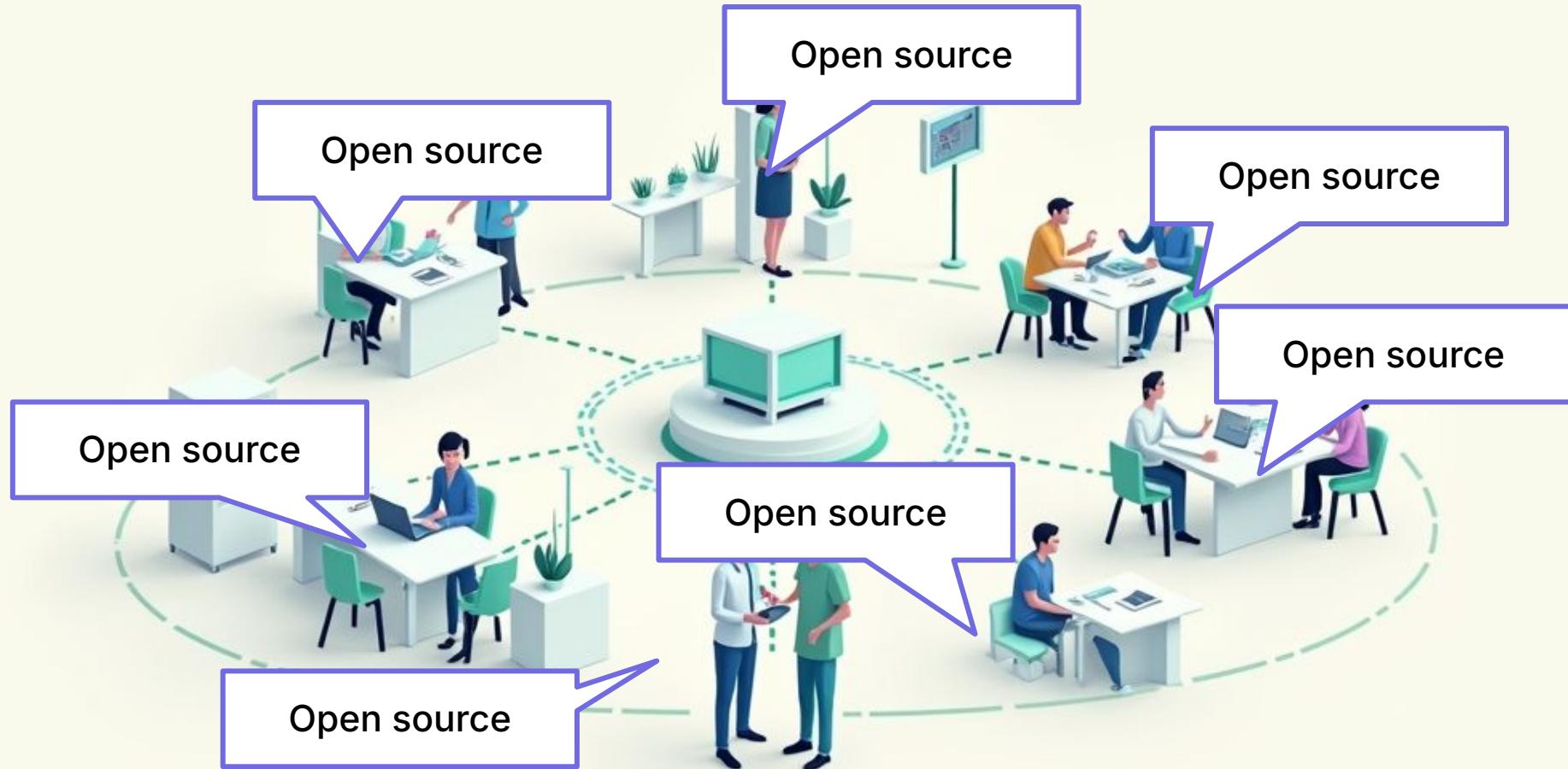


Open-Source Thai Language Technologies

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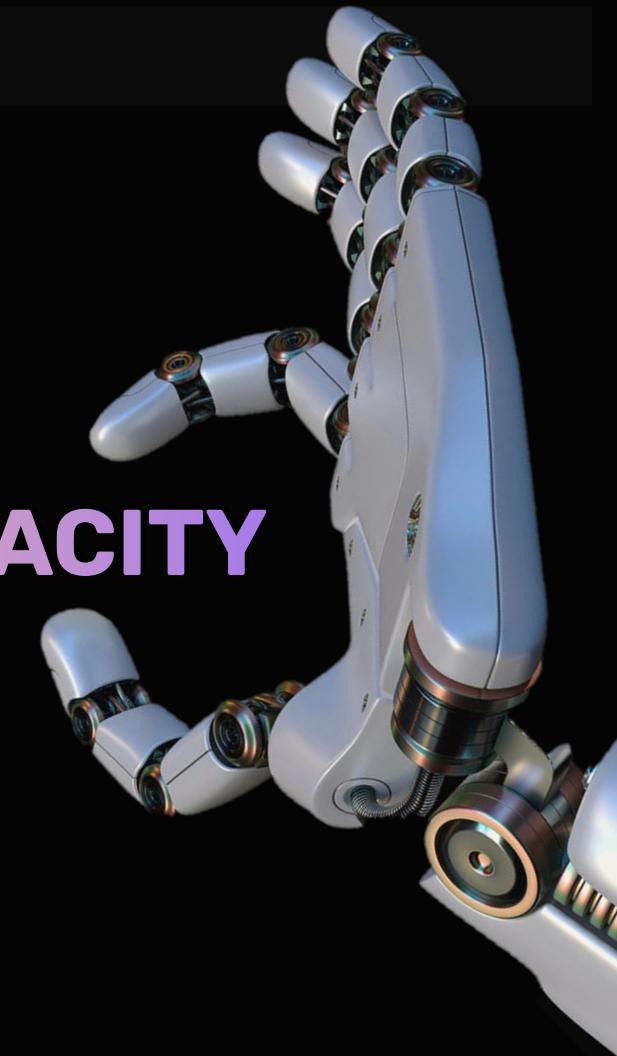
Ubiquitous AI



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CAPITAL INTENSIVE

LIMITED TECHNICAL CAPACITY





Sovereign AI

Thailand needs its own AI models to preserve our linguistic and cultural identity, build our own capabilities, and shape our technological destiny. By investing in open-source LLMs, we can drive our own innovation and engage with global players as peers in the long term.





What Is Typhoon?

Typhoon is an advanced research initiative focused on developing open-source large language technologies for the Thai language. We provide models, datasets, tools, and research to advance Thai language AI and multimodal capabilities



Efficient Speed & Cost



Improved Thai Knowledge
and Instruction-Following
Performance



Open Source

Open access to resources fosters collaboration and drives AI innovation

Open Source *Accelerates* Humanity's Progress



Open Data



*Open Model
Weights*



Open Source Code



Open Knowledge



Collaboration Over Competition

Recent Releases



Typhoon 2

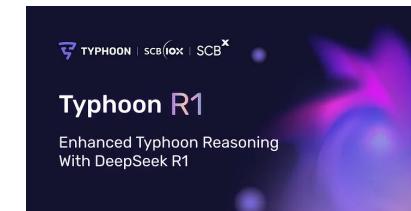
Our latest release, building on Typhoon 1.5 and 1.5X. It includes models ranging from compact, edge-capable options (1B and 3B) to 70 billion parameters, specifically optimized for Thai applications.



Typhoon T1

Southeast Asia's first open reasoning model. Typhoon T1 3B, the debut model in our "Typhoon T" series, is setting a new benchmark for structured, thoughtful AI reasoning—excelling in math, coding, and other complex tasks.

Reasoning Models Cutting Edge Research



Typhoon R1

Built on the solid foundations of Typhoon 2 and Deepseek R1, Typhoon R1 enhances Typhoon 2 with Deepseek R1's reasoning capabilities while maintaining Typhoon's Thai capabilities via model merging.

Recent Releases

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Technical Report

Typhoon 2: A Family of Open Text and Multimodal Thai Large Language Models

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Abstract

This paper introduces Typhoon 2, a series of text and multimodal large language models optimized for the Thai language. The series includes models for text, vision, and audio. Typhoon2-Text builds on state-of-the-art text models and uses a multi-stage pre-training approach, first pre-training on a mixture of English and Thai data. We employ post-training techniques to enhance Thai language performance while preserving the base model's generalization. Typhoon2-Vision is a series of models of sizes from 1 to 70 billion parameters, available in both base and instruction-tuned variants. Typhoon2-Audio is a series of models designed to develop a classifier enhanced for Thai cultures and language. Typhoon2-Vision improves Thai document understanding while retaining general visual capability. Typhoon2-Audio is a series of models designed to develop an end-to-end speech-to-speech model architecture capable of processing audio, speech, and text inputs and generating both text and speech outputs.

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TYPOON T1: AN OPEN THAI REASONING MODEL

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ABSTRACT

This paper introduces Typhoon T1, an open effort to develop an open Thai reasoning model. A reasoning model is a model that can reason and act built on top of large language models (LLMs). A reasoning model generates a long chain of thought before arriving at a final answer, an approach found to improve reasoning performance. However, the main challenges of building such a model are limited, especially for reasoning models that can generate traces in a low-resource language. Typhoon T1 presents an open effort that dives into the details of how to build an open reasoning model. This paper also discusses merging *supervised fine-tuning* using open datasets, instead of reinforcement learning. This paper also provides insights into how to merge datasets, as well as our dataset and model weights. Additionally, we provide insights gained from developing a reasoning model that generalizes across domains and is capable of generating reasoning traces in multiple domains. We hope this open effort provides a foundation for further research in this field.¹

Typhoon T1: An Open Thai Reasoning Model
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ADAPTING LANGUAGE-SPECIFIC LLMs TO A REASONING MODEL IN ONE DAY VIA MODEL MERGING - AN OPEN RECIPE

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ABSTRACT

This paper investigates data selection and model merging methodologies aimed at incorporating advanced reasoning capabilities such as those of DeepSpeed R1 into language-specific large language models (LLMs), with a particular focus on the Thai LLM. Our goal is to evaluate the reasoning capabilities of language-specific LLMs after merging them with their target datasets. Doing so enables us in reasoning but primarily benefits high-resource languages such as English and Chinese. However, it is also necessary to remove the remnants of the influence of English-centric training data and model optimizations, which limit performance in these languages. This limitation results in unreliable code-switching and diminished local linguistic fidelity. In response to this challenge, several regional LLM initiatives have attempted to bridge this gap by developing language-specific LLMs that focus on improving local linguistic fidelity. We demonstrate that, with the help of a large dataset (approximately 1.5 million tokens of size 128), it is possible to enhance the reasoning capabilities of language-specific LLMs to match the level of DeepSpeed R1, without compromising their performance on target language tasks. This work releases the data, merge configuration, and model

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Open Model VS Proprietary Model

Performance Gap?

Closed-source vs. open-weight models

Llama 3.1 405B closes the gap with closed-source models for the first time in history.

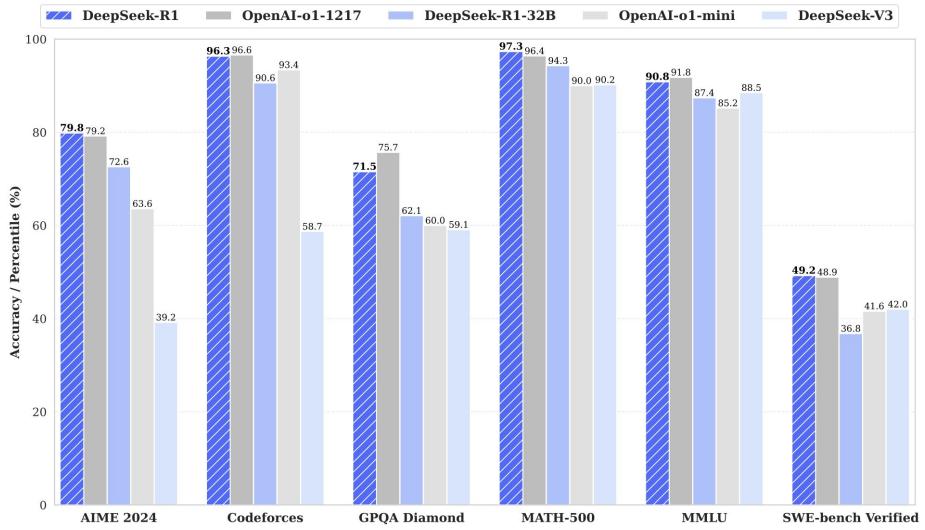
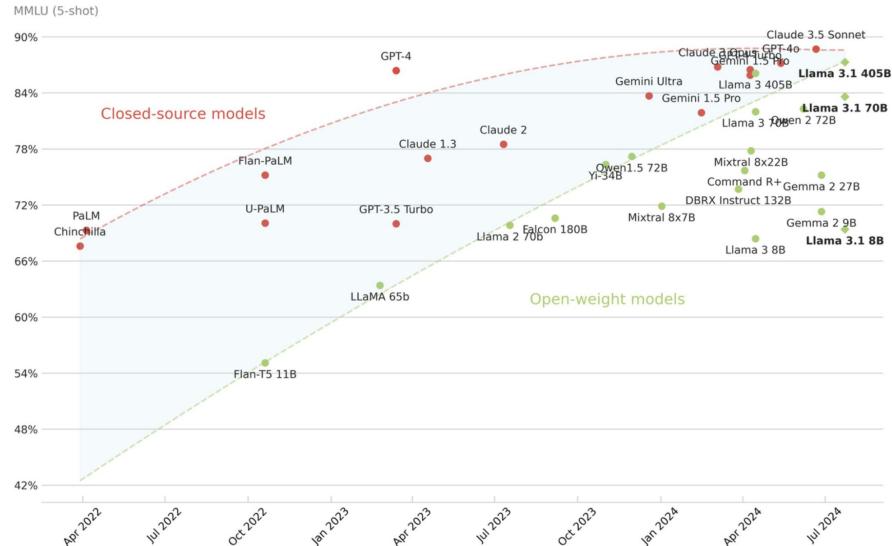


Figure 1 | Benchmark performance of DeepSeek-R1.

Open Collaborations



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