

Legal Contract Simplification with LLMs

Code:

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import openai
import os
import re

# Set your OpenAI API key (or load from environment)
openai.api_key = os.getenv("OPENAI_API_KEY")

def read_contract(file_path):
    with open(file_path, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as file:
        return file.read()

def split_into_clauses(text):
    # Simple clause splitting based on numbering or semicolon
    clauses = re.split(r'(?<=\\d\\.\\.\\s+|\\n+', text)
    return [clause.strip() for clause in clauses if clause.strip()]

def simplify_clause(clause):
    prompt = (
        "Simplify the following legal clause into plain English without changing its legal meaning:\\n\\n"
        f"Clause: {clause}\\n\\nSimplified:"
    )

    response = openai.ChatCompletion.create(
        model="gpt-4",
        messages=[{"role": "user", "content": prompt}],
        temperature=0.5,
        max_tokens=300
    )
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return response.choices[0].message["content"].strip()
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def simplify_contract(clauses):
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    simplified = []
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    for i, clause in enumerate(clauses):
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        print(f"Simplifying clause {i+1}/{len(clauses)}...")
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        simple = simplify_clause(clause)
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        simplified.append((clause, simple))
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    return simplified
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def save_simplified_contract(simplified_clauses, output_path):
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    with open(output_path, 'w', encoding='utf-8') as file:
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        for original, simple in simplified_clauses:
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            file.write("Original:\n" + original + "\n\n")
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            file.write("Simplified:\n" + simple + "\n")
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            file.write("="*80 + "\n\n")
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if __name__ == "__main__":
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    input_file = "sample_contract.txt"
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    output_file = "simplified_contract.txt"
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```
    print("Reading contract...")
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    contract_text = read_contract(input_file)
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    print("Splitting into clauses...")
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    clauses = split_into_clauses(contract_text)
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    print("Simplifying clauses...")
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```
    simplified = simplify_contract(clauses)
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```
    print("Saving simplified contract...")
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save_simplified_contract(simplified, output_file)
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print("Done. Simplified contract saved to:", output_file)
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