



## INTRODUCTION

- In this phase we will cover data preprocessing for chatbot creation using python.
- Data preprocessing is the fundamental stage in which the raw, often noisy data is transformed into a structured and refined format, making it suitable for the chatbot's understanding and response generation.

## DATA PREPROCESSING

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In [2]: import pandas as pd
        # Read the dataset into a DataFrame
        df = pd.read csv('dialogs.txt', sep='\t', names=['user message', 'bot response'])
        # Remove any rows with missing values
        df.dropna(inplace=True)
        # Remove leading and trailing whitespaces in the text data
        df['user message'] = df['user message'].str.strip()
        df['bot response'] = df['bot response'].str.strip()
        # Convert text to lowercase for consistency
        df['user message'] = df['user message'].str.lower()
        df['bot response'] = df['bot response'].str.lower()
        # Optionally, you can remove duplicate dialog pairs
        df.drop duplicates(inplace=True)
        # Print the first few rows of the preprocessed data for viewing
        print("Preprocessed Data:")
        print(df.head())
```

We've read the dataset, removed missing values, removed leading and trailing whitespaces, converted text to lowercase for consistency, and optionally removed duplicate dialog pairs. This is a good start to ensure the data is clean and ready for further processing or for training a chatbot model.

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Preprocessed Data:

user_message \
0 hi, how are you doing?
1 i'm fine. how about yourself?
2 i'm pretty good. thanks for asking.
3 no problem. so how have you been?
4 i've been great. what about you?

bot_response
0 i'm fine. how about yourself?
1 i'm pretty good. thanks for asking.
2 no problem. so how have you been?
3 i've been great. what about you?
4 i've been good. i'm in school right now.
```

 user\_message: This column contains text representing messages or queries from the user to the chatbot.
 These are the questions, statements, or requests that users make to the chatbot.

- bot\_response: This column contains text representing the responses generated by the chatbot in reply to the user's messages. These responses are what the chatbot provides to engage in the conversation.
- When customers inquire about products or services, their queries may contain special symbols or characters that are relevant to their search. In this case, removing these symbols could lead to a misunderstanding of the user's intent so we retained the special symbols in the data

## CONCLUSION

- To develop a chatbot capable of engaging in meaningful conversations, the data preprocessing phase plays a pivotal role in transforming raw dialogues into clean, structured, and consistent inputs.
- This phase has set the foundation for building a chatbot that can understand user messages and generate coherent responses.
- We'll integrate the chatbot in a web application in the final phase, when the it is completed and ready to take the input from users and give the appropriate response.