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Foundation Models for Science Workshop

Hackathon Instructions



Hackathon Milestones

- **By End of Day-1:** Know your teammates and start planning your work
- **By Afternoon Break of Day-2:** Finalize your plan and set goals and expectations
- **By end of Day-2:** Preliminary code pushed to GitHub and share your repo in the group chat
- **By Lunch time Day-3:** Discuss your progress with the tutors
- **By Afternoon Break of Day-3:** Work completed, and results finalized
- **Post Afternoon Break of Day-3:** Make 1 slide summary, present the results and prizes!

Goals

Use a foundation model with a dataset to explore one or more of the following ideas:

- Impact of data cleaning
- Effect of fine tuning
- Aleatoric and Epistemic uncertainties of model predictions
- Representations of features inside the model

Choose a project that takes **~5 hours** of teamwork.
Focus on **finishing** one single result/demonstration.

Evaluation Criteria

We are looking for submissions that demonstrate **strong collaboration** and **good scientific communication**, such as:

- **Project documentation**
 - Documentation, website, repository wiki, well documented Jupyter notebooks, commented code, etc.
- **Creative project results**
 - Models and datasets from different scientific domains combined in new and unusual ways, team names, “coolness”, etc.
- **GitHub pull requests and most GitHub commits**
 - Syncing code to GitHub is good practice and helps collaboration. We want to see it! Committing to GitHub tracks the contributions of individuals, this is a great way to highlight your contributions to the team. Share the link to the Github repo on the WhatsApp group!

Evaluation Criteria

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- **Collaborations within the workshop**
 - “Cheating” is encouraged. Talk to other hackathon teams, share code and ideas, pull from other people’s repos, and cite your sources of inspiration.
- **Visualizations**
 - You will have one (1) slide to present your project; make those figures beautiful and meaningful to our diverse audience.
- **60 Second Summary**
 - Sometimes you only have a few seconds to get your point across. Your presentation is a good opportunity to practice this.

Computing Support

A Jupyter-based cloud instance:

- Individual links and passwords will be shared.
- Environment already setup to run tutorials. You can install any additional software for your hackathon project.
- 1x A100 40 GB, 14 vCPUs, 110 GB RAM, 1.7 TB storage.
- More **details in Tutorial-1**.
- Reach out to Alex Olson in person or via “Tech Support” group chat for any technical assistance.
- **Backup all code and data at the end of Day-3!**



Alex Olson

We acknowledge the support of [Denver Dataworks](#) for providing cloud computing services for this workshop. **DENVR**



Suggested Resources

Materials datasets from HF for hackathon

- https://huggingface.co/datasets/SciKnowOrg/ontolearner-materials_science_and_engineering
- <https://huggingface.co/datasets/cgeorgiaw/WyFormer-Symmetric-Crystals>
- <https://huggingface.co/blog/lematerial>
- <https://huggingface.co/datasets/kanhatakeyama/material-properties>
- <https://huggingface.co/datasets/Allanatrix/Materials>

HuggingFace foundation models for materials

- <https://huggingface.co/collections/ibm/materials-673465deacbdf38d9c0c6303>
(Has multiple FMs from IBM on materials property prediction tasks based on both SMILES and SELFIES)
- <https://huggingface.co/ibm-research/MoLFormer-XL-both-10pct>
- <https://huggingface.co/datasets/RSE-Group11/Hugging-Ligand-embeddings>
- <https://huggingface.co/fabikru/MolEncoder>
- <https://huggingface.co/liuganghuggingface/Llamole-Pretrained-GraphDiT>
- https://huggingface.co/MS-ML/SpecTUS_pretrained_only

Suggested Resources

Drug discovery type datasets from HF for hackathon

- <https://huggingface.co/datasets/molport/Drug-like-Compound-Library>
- <https://huggingface.co/datasets/molport/In-stock-Screening-Compound-Database>
- <https://huggingface.co/datasets/maomlab/TDC>
- <https://huggingface.co/datasets/OpenMol/DD100>
- <https://huggingface.co/datasets/jablonkagroup/chempile-lift>

Some UQ Resources

- <https://www.ibm.com/think/topics/uncertainty-quantification>
- [A survey of uncertainty in deep neural networks](#)
- [ICLR 2025 Workshop: Quantify Uncertainty and Hallucination in Foundation Models](#)
- Aleatoric and epistemic uncertainty: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1910.09457>
- Calibration and temperature scaling: https://geoffpleiss.com/blog/nn_calibration.html
- MC dropout: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1506.02142>
- Heteroscedastic model with MC dropout: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1703.04977>
- Conformal prediction: <https://www.stat.berkeley.edu/~ryantibs/statlearn-s23/lectures/conformal.pdf>
- Conformalized quantile regression: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1905.03222>

Suggested Resources

Bio datasets on huggingface

- Uniprot protein sequences: <https://huggingface.co/datasets/damianlab/uniprot>
- Protein sequence to structure: https://huggingface.co/datasets/lamm-mit/protein_secondary_structure_from_PDB
- Protein function: <https://huggingface.co/datasets/Protein-FN/Protein-FN>
- Enzyme binary classification: <https://huggingface.co/datasets/graphs-datasets/PROTEINS>
- Proteingym: <https://huggingface.co/datasets/ICML2022/ProteinGym>
- Protein binding: https://huggingface.co/datasets/ronig/protein_binding_sequences
- cellXgene single cell datasets: <https://cellxgene.cziscience.com/datasets>
- Gene coding sequence tasks: <https://huggingface.co/datasets/InstaDeepAI/true-cds-protein-tasks>

Some foundation models for bio

- ESM-2 (protein): https://huggingface.co/facebook/esm2_t36_3B_UR50D
- Prot_bert: https://huggingface.co/Rostlab/prot_bert
- EVO-2 (DNA): https://huggingface.co/arcinstitute/evo2_40b
- Biobert (biomedical LLM): <https://huggingface.co/dmis-lab/biobert-v1.1>
- scGPT (sc gene expression): <https://huggingface.co/tdc/scGPT>
- Geneformer (gene expression): <https://huggingface.co/ctheodoris/Geneformer>

Suggested Resources

Astronomy Datasets

- <https://huggingface.co/MultimodalUniverse>
- <https://dawn-cph.github.io/dja/>
- <https://datalab.noirlab.edu/>

Astronomy Foundation Models

- <https://huggingface.co/polymathic-ai/aion-base>
- <https://huggingface.co/Smith42/astroPT>

Physics Foundation Models

- <https://huggingface.co/flwi/Physics-Foundation-Model>
- <https://huggingface.co/sid22669/TinyLlama-Physics>

Tabular Foundation Models

- <https://huggingface.co/Prior-Labs/TabPFN-v2-clf>
- <https://huggingface.co/jingang/TabICL-clf>

Let's get started!

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Schedule and event details: <https://ai-for-science.org>