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# Key Intelligence Summary

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## Novel Contributions

- EmbeddingGemma: Powerful and Lightweight Text Representations
- Developer Productivity With and Without GitHub Copilot: A Longitudinal Mixed-Methods Case Study
- Statistical Inference Leveraging Synthetic Data with Distribution-Free Guarantees



## Technical Innovations

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## Business Implications

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## Featured Research Papers

### EmbeddingGemma: Powerful and Lightweight Text Representations

Henrique Schechter Vera, Sahil Dua, Biao Zhang et al. (88 authors)

We introduce EmbeddingGemma, a new lightweight, open text embedding model based on the Gemma 3 language model family. Our innovative training recipe strategically captures knowledge from larger models via encoder-decoder initialization and geometric embedding distillation. We improve model robustness and expressiveness with a spread-out regularizer, and ensure generalizability by merging checkpoint...

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### Developer Productivity With and Without GitHub Copilot: A Longitudinal Mixed-Methods Case Study

Viktoria Stray, Elias Goldmann Brandtzæg, Viggo Tellefsen Wivestad et al. (5 authors)

This study investigates the real-world impact of the generative AI (GenAI) tool GitHub Copilot on developer activity and perceived productivity. We conducted a mixed-methods case study in NAV IT, a large public sector agile organization. We analyzed 26,317 unique non-merge commits from 703 of NAV IT's GitHub repositories over a two-year period, focusing on commit-based activity metrics from 25 Cop...

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## Statistical Inference Leveraging Synthetic Data with Distribution-Free Guarantees

Meshi Bashari, Yonghoon Lee, Roy Maor Lotan et al. (5 authors)

The rapid proliferation of high-quality synthetic data -- generated by advanced AI models or collected as auxiliary data from related tasks -- presents both opportunities and challenges for statistical inference. This paper introduces a GEneral Synthetic-Powered Inference (GESPI) framework that wraps around any statistical inference procedure to safely enhance sample efficiency by combining synthe...

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## Efficient Encoder-Free Pose Conditioning and Pose Control for Virtual Try-On

Qi Li, Shuwen Qiu, Julien Han et al. (7 authors)

As online shopping continues to grow, the demand for Virtual Try-On (VTON) technology has surged, allowing customers to visualize products on themselves by overlaying product images onto their own photos. An essential yet challenging condition for effective VTON is pose control, which ensures accurate alignment of products with the user's body while supporting diverse orientations for a more immer...

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## Adaptive Event-Triggered Policy Gradient for Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning

Umer Siddique, Abhinav Sinha, Yongcan Cao

Conventional multi-agent reinforcement learning (MARL) methods rely on time-triggered execution, where agents sample and communicate actions at fixed intervals. This approach is often computationally expensive and communication-intensive. To address this limitation, we propose ET-MAPG (Event-Triggered Multi-Agent Policy Gradient reinforcement learning), a framework that jointly learns an agent's c...

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