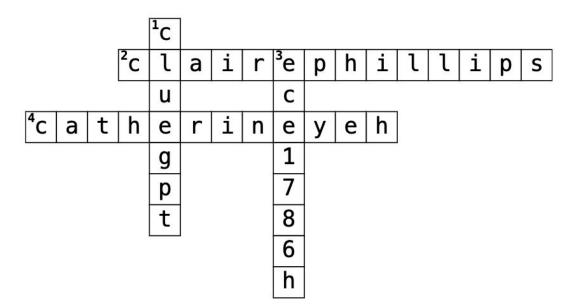
ClueGPT



Across

1. Project Name

2. Team Mate

3. Course Code

Down

4. Team Mate

Goal & Motivation

- Goal of ClueGPT: supply people solving crosswords with a second clue generated by AI.
- Motivation:
 - Crossword solvers often encounter difficulties when solving puzzles.
 - Limited options available when stuck, often leading to frustration.
 - Many may resort to searching for answers online.
 - This situation creates a feeling of choosing between cheating and giving up.
- ClueGPT is an alternative to this and is a tool which can be used to get help without being given the answer.

Data

 Dataset: New York Times Crossword Repository by The Text Machine Lab at the University of Massachusetts.

Clue	Answer
Line at an airport	limos
Kind of omelet	egg white
Susa was its capital	elam

Data Cleaning

Several errors and clues which referenced other clues needed to be removed from the dataset.

Clue	Answer	Type of outlier	Removed
in 23-Down	\nfreshened\nplateau\nalo ha\ntreaty result\nad	Entry error	Yes, through preprocessing
Slot-car track section	b&orailroad	Entry error	Yes,through preprocessing
Ohio city whose name means "hospitality" in Greek	ho hoho hoho hoho hoho hoho hoho hoho	Entry error	Yes, through preprocessing

Data Processing

Answer Processing:

- Remove special characters
- Remove spaces
- Make all letters lowercase

Clue Processing:

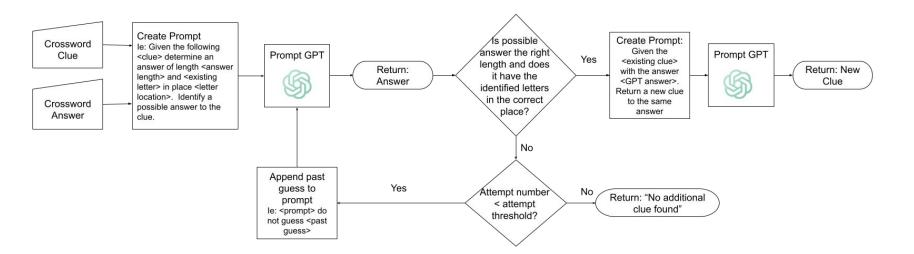
- Get length of answer
- Get included letters (randomly selected from answer with probably n)

Answer	included_letters	num_of_c har	Crossword clue
limos	{4: 's'}	5	Line at an airport
eggwhite	{0: 'e', 1: 'g', 2: 'g', 3: 'w', 6: 't'}	8	Kind of omelet
lima	{1: 'l', 2: 'a'}	4	Susa was its capital
nosiree	{0: 'n', 2: 's', 3: 'i', 4: 'r', 6: 'e'}	7	Absolutely out of the question!
ebon	{0: 'e', 2: 'o'}	4	Inky
ecocar	{0: 'e', 1: 'c', 2: 'o'}	6	Green wheels

Software/Platforms Used

- GPT 4 Model
- Python
- Google Colab
- Google Sheets

ClueGPT Model Architecture



Comparing Performance

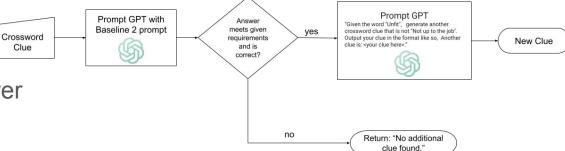
Version 0

- Zero shot prompt
- No validation of the models guess

Crossword Clue Prompt: "Given the following clue: <clue>.... Supply a new clue to the same answer Prompt GPT New Clue New Clue

Version 1

- No iteration to finding answer
- Chain of thought prompting



Measuring Success

The output for each clue was measured qualitatively via the following definition of success: A clue that leads to correct answers, but cannot give away the answer explicitly (eg. answer: 'ous'; clue: Common ending for words like "dangerous" or "hilarious".).

We compare the success rate of ClueGPT with the two other versions described earlier.

	Version 0	Version 1	ClueGPT
Percent of generated clues which meet the definition of success	65.7%	100%	100%
Percent of clues the model did not generate a clue.	0%	40%	33%
Percent of clues generated which meet the definition of success and are not a "No clue generated" response	65.7%	60%	67%

Example of Output

ClueGPT V1 had no incorrect clues created given our best prompts.

Original Clue	Clue GPT Guessed Answer	ClueGPT Output	Answer
Au naturel	bare	Another clue is: "Stripped of covering"	bare
said	sooner	No clue available.	easier
Place of rest	haven	Another clue is: "Sanctuary or safe place"	haven

Discussion

Our best results came from ClueGPT.

Although version 0 had a very close rate of correct clues it produced incorrect clues while, thanks to its architecture, version 1 supplied user with a "no clue available" response.

This response is better than an incorrect guess and incorrect clues would confuse users and hurt their experience with the tool.

	Input Clue	Output Clue	Actual Answer
Version 0	Cash in the music business	Symbol of revenue in the entertainment industry	rosanne Incorrect clue
Version 1	Minstrel, often	No clue available	lutist

Learning

- We didn't consider that GPT models will output letters with accents.
- System prompt messages are very useful in creating output of the correct form.
- Tuning the temperature and top_p values are ineffective at producing a wide range of coherent one word responses. These parameters are likely more useful when longer form answers are desired.
- Model behaves differently depending on the number of letters passed in.