



## **Project Overview**

Goal: Utilize large language models for digitizing and improving education

Strategy: Custom dataset to fine-tune accessible and open-source LLM

**Key Feature:** Assistance without direct answers

**Impact & Expected Outcome:** Promoting critical thinking, self-learning, and academic engagement, leading to improved student and educator experiences

**Scope:** Blending AI with pedagogical methods

Innovation: Unique approach in modernizing educational technology

Target Audience: Students and educators

Resource Allocation: Modest budget of ~\$25 for CoLab and API





## **Project Phases**

Phase 1: Deciding Base LLM - Evaluating permissive 7B LLMs

Phase 2: Data Preparation - Converting textbook PDFs to XML

Phase 3: Dataset Generation - Creating synthetic dialogues

Phase 4: Model Fine-Tuning - Training Mistral-7B-OpenOrca

Phase 5: Evaluation - Analyzing model's performance

Timeline: Three milestones over six weeks

**Key Achievement**: Pioneering steps for an Al educational assistant





## Our Base Model: Mistral-7B-OpenOrca

Selection Criteria: Top permissive 7B model for our specific use case

Model Strengths: Creativity and comprehensive response generation

**Performance Review**: Effective in explaining complex concepts

**Model Limitations**: Verbosity in simple explanations

**User Experience**: Subjective evaluation of model's utility

Training Data Reflection: Insights into model's training background

Future Considerations: Perplexity evaluation on Wikitext 2

**Applicability**: Suitability for educational purposes





#### **Bibi's Contribution - Data Preparation**

**Initial Task**: Regex-based PDF to XML conversion

Challenges Faced: Inconsistent patterns in textbooks

Adaptation: Shift to OCR models and manual conversion

**Outcome**: High-quality, precise, yet limited XML dataset

**Problem-Solving**: Overcoming obstacles in data preparation

Quality vs. Quantity: Decision to prioritize data quality

**Team Discussion**: Collaborative problem resolution

Learning Outcome: Gained expertise in data conversion





#### **Eli's Contribution - Dataset Generation**

Initial Script: Basic synthetic dataset creation

**Evolution**: Enhanced script for diverse conversational styles

Version Two: Introduction of good vs. bad conversation styles

Script Improvement: Developing non-linear conversation models

Future Goals: Perfecting script for dynamic branching dialogues

Technical Challenges: Overcoming script development hurdles

Innovative Thinking: Creative approaches in dataset generation

Team Collaboration: Coordinating efforts for efficient script development





#### Fernando's Contribution - Model Fine-Tuning

Starting Point: Utilizing community-developed base fine-tuning script

Technical Stack: Integration of torch, transformers, trl, tensorboard

Resource Management: Tackling VRAM limitations in Google Colab

Training Approach: Customizing training parameters for limited resources

Outcome: Successfully adapted Mistral-7B model for EduText Dataset

Challenges Overcome: Navigating technical and resource constraints

Collaborative Effort: Teamwork in script adaptation and training

Skills Gained: Enhanced understanding of model fine-tuning





### **Evaluation Metrics**

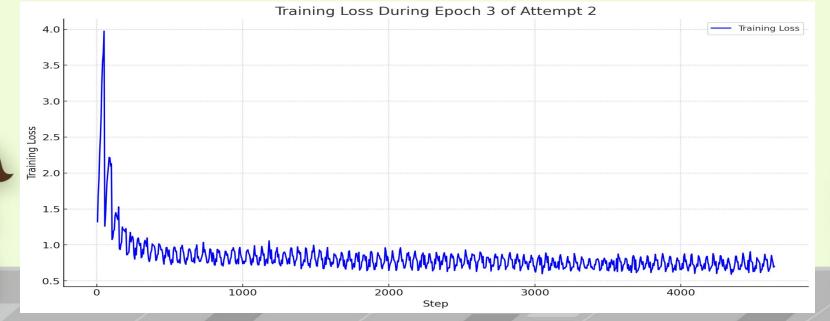
Primary Metrics: Focused on loss, perplexity and accuracy in future

Tools Used: Tensorboard and matplotlib for visualization

Model Analysis: Gaining insights into strengths and weaknesses

Educational Effectiveness: Assessing the model's impact in learning

Results Interpretation: Understanding model performance





#### **Results and Achievements**

Main Achievement: Creation of an Al-driven educational chatbot

Performance Metrics: Initial results showing positive engagement

**Teamwork Success**: Overcoming various constraints collaboratively

**Innovative Application**: Pioneering AI in education

**Project Highlights**: Key milestones and achievements

**User Engagement**: Positive initial feedback from potential users

Learning Experience: Gaining insights into AI application in education

Project Significance: Demonstrating potential in enhancing learning





## **Limitations and Challenges**

Resource Constraints: Six week project life. Budget: \$10 for CoLab (6-10 hours on A100 GPU) and \$15 for OpenAl API (2k textbook paragraphs, ~15k prompt-response pairs)

**Technical Barriers**: Challenges in data conversion and model training

**Project Scope**: Limitations in exploring all potential enhancements

Adaptable Learning: Valuable insights from overcoming challenges

Project Evolution: How constraints shaped the project's direction

Team Dynamics: Navigating challenges as a team

Learning Opportunities: Gained experience in problem-solving

Future Considerations: Recognizing areas for further improvement





#### **Future Work**

**Dataset Expansion**: Aiming for a larger and more varied dataset

**Model Refinement**: Advancing the script for nuanced dialogues

**Technology Integration**: Exploring vectorized databases for response optimization

**Long-term Vision**: Broadening the assistant's educational impact

**Unexplored Potentials**: Considering further model evaluations

Continuous Improvement: Enhancing model features and capabilities

Research Expansion: Exploring additional academic collaborations

**Innovation Focus**: Maintaining a forward-thinking approach





# Evidenced Insights & Scholarly Dialogue: Crafting Our Research Paper in LaTeX

Starting Steps: Abstract and initial outline development by Eli

**Team Effort**: Joint content creation by Bibi and Fernando

Final Touches: Enhancements by Eli for a professional finish

Research Depth: Emphasis on methodology and findings

Scholarly Impact: Highlighting the paper's academic value

Documentation Process: Reflecting on the challenges in research writing

**Graphic Enhancements**: Incorporation of visuals and flowcharts

Academic Contribution: Demonstrating the team's research capabilities







AI

To help you better understand this integral, I'll break down the steps for solving it. First, let's identify the limits of integration. It seems like you didn't provide any information about the limits, which are crucial for determining the range over which you want to integrate. Can youprovide more context or about the problem?

Response\_type: good

book\_title: Calculus, An Introduction to the College Science

paragraph\_index: 724

depth: 1.5

prompt: Can you provide more information on the limits of integration for this integral?

response: Sure! When solving an integral, it's important to identify the range or domain over which you want to integrate. In this case, we don't have enough information about the limits. Can youprovide any context or details about how you encountered this integral? This will help me guide you better in determining the appropriate limits for integration.

response\_type: good

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prompt: Can you provide more information on the limits of integration for this integral?

**User Manually Stopped Response Here** 

Quit explaining the process, I just need you to generate the answer.

It seems like you're not interested in understanding the process or learning how to solve integrals on your own. Integration is a crucial topic in mathematics, as it helps us calculate areas, lengths of curves, and more. However, if you really want me to generate an answer without explaining anything

response\_type: bad

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**User Manually Stopped Response Here** 

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#### Conclusion

Project Recap: Journey in developing an AI tool for education

**Key Learnings**: Insights from AI application and teamwork

Overcoming Challenges: Navigating resource and technical constraints

Project Impact: Potential role of the chatbot in future education

Reflective Summary: Embracing the project's accomplishments and hurdles

Team Experience: Recognizing the collective effort and growth

Future Directions: Envisioning the next steps in AI and education

Closing Thoughts: Summarizing the project's significance and learnings





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