# Presenting... Prompt Engineering in Emacs

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# Following along

#### Repositories for following along

```
github1s.com/mullikine/presentation-prompt-engineering-in-emacs github1s.com/semiosis/examplary github1s.com/semiosis/pen.el github1s.com/semiosis/prompts github1s.com/semiosis/prompt-engineering-patterns github1s.com/minimaxir/gpt-3-client
```

#### Demo

1 ssh -oBatchMode=no shane@124.197.60.232 -p 9922

#### Text Generator

#### Background knowledge

- GPT-3 is a seq2seq model (a text generator)
  - It's stochastic but can be configured to be deterministic.

#### Key concepts

- prompt,
- completion, and
- tokens

#### Limitations

Combined, the text prompt and generated completion must be below 2048 tokens (roughly ~1500 words).

context-stuffing With only 2048 tokens, you need to make use of your real estate by providing instructions and making implicit information explicit.

# Prompt Engineering

#### **Characteristics**

- declarative, like html
- stochastic, like problog
- Unlocks new types of applications
- Speeds up development

## Prompts as functions

## Prompt YAML format Part 1

#### meeting-bullets-to-summary.prompt

```
title: "meeting bullet points to summary"
2
    prompt: |+
3
        Convert my short hand into a first-hand
4
        account of the meeting:
5
        <1>
8
        Summary:
    engine: "davinci-instruct-beta"
10
    temperature: 0.7
11
   max-tokens: 60
```

## Prompt YAML format Part 2

#### meeting-bullets-to-summary.prompt

```
top-p: 1
2
   frequency-penalty: 0.0
3
   presence-penalty: 0.0
   best-of: 1
4
  stop-sequences:
6
  - "\n\n"
   conversation-mode: no
8
  stitch-max: 0
 stitch-max Keep stitching together until reaching this limit. This
            allows a full response for answers which may need
```

n\*max-tokens to reach the stop-sequence.

## Prompt YAML format: Part 3

#### ${\tt meeting-bullets-to-summary.prompt}$

```
1 vars:
2 - "notes"
3 examples:
4 - |+
5    Tom: Profits up 50%
6    Jane: New servers are online
7    Kjel: Need more time to fix software
8    Jane: Happy to help
9    Parkman: Beta testing almost done
```

## Some prompts I've made

#### generate-vim-command.prompt

```
Vim
3
   Insert "Q: " at the start of the line
    :%s/^/Q: /g.
5 ###
   Remove whitespace from the start of each line
    :%s/^\s*/\1/g
8 ###
    Join each line with the next line
10
    :1,$i
11
   ###
12
   Make all occurrences of Steve lowercase
13
    :%s/Steve/steve/g
14 ###
15
   <1>
```

## Create a prompt

#### Ask the audience

- What type of text to generate
  - Could be code, prose, etc.

#### **Tutorials**

#### Ruby

https://www.twilio.com/blog/ generating-cooking-recipes-openai-gpt3-ruby