Cheat Sheet: Foundations of Multimodal AI

Concept	Description	Implementation Example

Image captioning	Generate descriptive captions for images using multimodal models.	`def generate_image_caption(model, encoded_image):`
		`  """Generate a descriptive caption for an image."""`
		`  prompt = "Please provide a detailed description of this image."`
		`  return send_multimodal_query(model, encoded_image, prompt)`
		`# Example usage`
		`caption = generate_image_caption(model, encoded_image)`
		`print("Image Caption:", caption)`

Image processing	Basic image processing and encoding for multimodal applications.	`import base64`
		`from PIL import Image`
		`from io import BytesIO`
		`def encode_image(image_path):`
		`  """Convert image to base64 for model input."""`
		`  with open(image_path, "rb") as image_file:`
		`  encoded_string = base64.b64encode(image_file.read()).decode('utf-8')`
		`  return encoded_string`
		`def process_image(image_path, target_size=(224, 224)):`
		`  """Process image for model input."""`
		`  image = Image.open(image_path)`
		`  image = image.resize(target_size)`
		`  return image`
		`# Example usage`
		`image_path = "example.jpg"`
		`encoded_image = encode_image(image_path)`
		`processed_image = process_image(image_path)`

Multimodal model setup	Basic setup for working with multimodal AI models using IBM watsonx.ai platform.	`from ibm_watsonx_ai import Credentials`
		`from ibm_watsonx_ai.foundation_models import ModelInference`
		`from ibm_watsonx_ai.foundation_models.schema import TextChatParameters`
		`credentials = Credentials(`
		`  url="https://us-south.ml.cloud.ibm.com",`
		`)`
		`params = TextChatParameters(`
		`  temperature=0.2,`
		`  top_p=0.5,`
		`  max_tokens=2000`
		`)`
		`model = ModelInference(`
		`  model_id="meta-llama/llama-3-2-90b-vision-instruct",`
		`  credentials=credentials,`
		`  project_id="skills-network",`
		`  params=params`
		`)`

Multimodal query	Send a combined text and image query to a multimodal model.	`def send_multimodal_query(model, encoded_image, prompt):`
		`  """Send combined text and image query to model."""`
		`  messages = [{`
		`  "role": "user",`
		`  "content": [`
		`  {`
		`  "type": "text",`
		`  "text": prompt`
		`  },`
		`  {`
		`  "type": "image_url",`
		`  "image_url": {`
		`  "url": f"{encoded_image}"`
		`  }`
		`  }`
		`  ]`
		`  }]`
		`  response = model.chat(messages=messages)`
		`  return response['choices'][0]['message']['content']`
		`# Example usage`
		`response = send_multimodal_query(model, encoded_image, prompt)`
		`print("Model Response:", response)`

Text processing	Basic text processing and prompt engineering for multimodal applications.	`def create_prompt(image_description, user_query):`
		`  """Create a structured prompt for multimodal analysis."""`
		`  prompt = f"""`
		`  Analyze the following image and answer the question.`
		`  Image Description: {image_description}`
		`  User Query: {user_query}`
		`  Please provide a detailed response that:`
		`  1. Describes the image content`
		`  2. Answers the specific question`
		`  3. Provides relevant context`
		`  """`
		`  return prompt`
		`# Example usage`
		`image_desc = "A cat sitting on a windowsill"`
		`user_question = "What is the cat doing?"`
		`prompt = create_prompt(image_desc, user_question)`

Visual question answering	Answer questions about image content using multimodal models.	`def visual_question_answering(model, encoded_image, question):`
		`  """Answer questions about image content."""`
		`  prompt = f"Please answer the following question about the image: {question}"`
		`  return send_multimodal_query(model, encoded_image, prompt)`
		`# Example usage`
		`question = "What color is the cat in the image?"`
		`answer = visual_question_answering(model, encoded_image, question)`
		`print("Answer:", answer)`

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