

Generative AI in Cybersecurity

Module 2A: LLMs, Prompt templates, Langchain

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Agenda

- Prompting and prompt templates
- Langchain
- Retrieval Augmented Generation (RAG)
 - Afternoon lecture

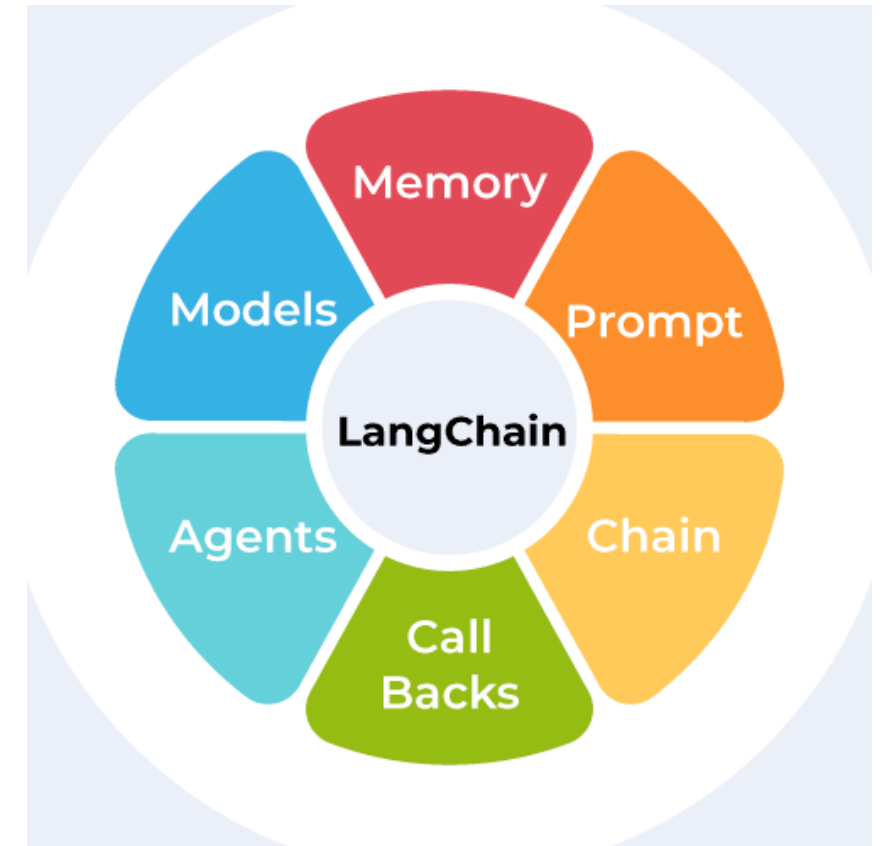
LangChain

Python module for application development using LLMs and Agents

LangChain



- Framework for Building LLM-Powered Applications
 - <https://python.langchain.com>
 - Also for JavaScript
- Call LLMs using Python
- Purpose: Use LLMs in Python applications

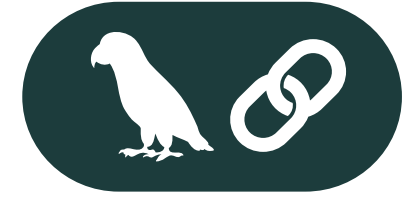


LangChain libraries



- langchain-core
- langchain-openai, langchain-groq
- langchain
- langchain-community
- Langgraph (next lecture)

LangChain

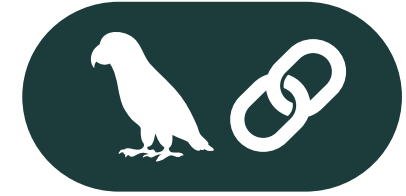


```
# Define your prompt here, as per exercise text
prompt = """
Explain in max three sentences why one should study Generative AI in Cybersecurity.
"""

# Run OpenAI model
llm = ChatOpenAI(model="gpt-4o-mini", temperature=0)
response = llm.invoke(prompt)
print(response.content)

# Run model via Groq
llm = ChatGroq(model="llama3-8b-8192", temperature=0)
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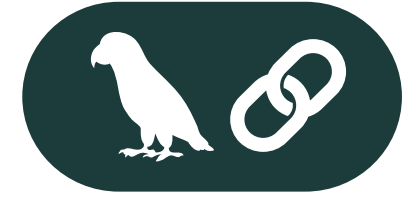
LLM constructor



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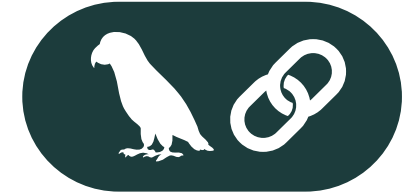
llm = ChatOpenAI(
    model="gpt-4o",
    temperature=0,
    max_tokens=None,
    timeout=None,
    max_retries=2,
    # api_key="...",
    # base_url="...",
    # organization="...",
    # other params...
)
```

LLM invocation



```
messages = [  
    (  
        "system",  
        "You are a helpful assistant that translates English to French.  
        Translate the user sentence.",  
    ),  
    ("human", "I love programming."),  
]  
ai_msg = llm.invoke(messages)  
ai_msg
```


LLM response (object)



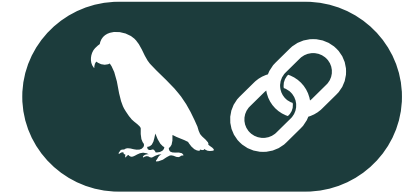
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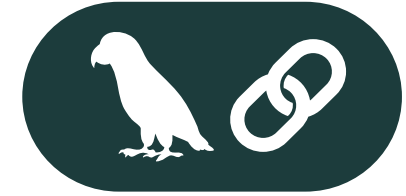


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print(ai_msg.content)
```

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Prompt Templates



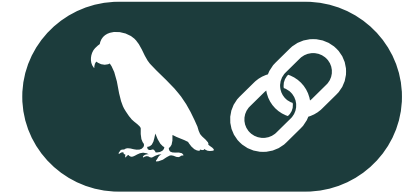
- Define prompts as templates
 - Go from static prompts to prompts with variables

```
from langchain_core.prompts import ChatPromptTemplate

system_template = (
    "You are a cybersecurity assistant specializing in {specialty}. "
    "Analyze the following input for threats related to {threat_type} and "
    "provide detailed recommendations."
)

prompt_template = ChatPromptTemplate.from_messages(
    [("system", system_template), ("user", "{log_data}")]
)
```

Prompt Templates



- Variable assignment

```
formatted_prompt = prompt_template.format(  
    specialty="cloud infrastructure security",  
    threat_type="unauthorized access and privilege escalation",  
    log_data="User 'admin' logged in from unknown IP 203.0.113.5 at 03:14 AM..."  
)
```

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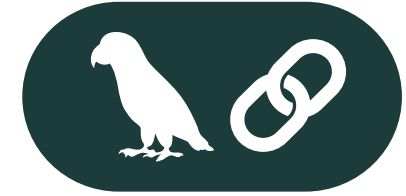
- Let's look at the complete example
 - 02_prompt_templates.py

Spam Classification



- Giving the LLM examples via the prompt (Few-shot examples)
- Workflow
 - Load API-keys
 - Define LLM and its parameters
 - Define prompt template
 - Format the prompt template
 - Invoke LLM
- This is a one-shot operation

Prompt Templates



- Where is the variable?

```
prompt_template = """  
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```

Examples are given below:

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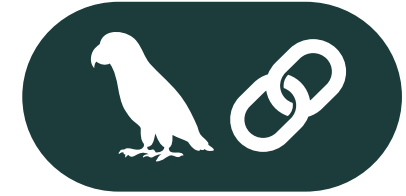
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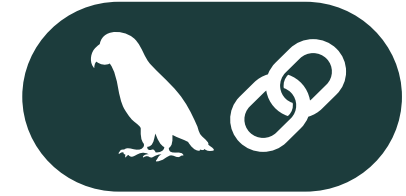
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""

```
spam_classification_prompt_template = PromptTemplate(  
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    template = prompt_template  
)
```

Prompt Templates



- The message we want to classify

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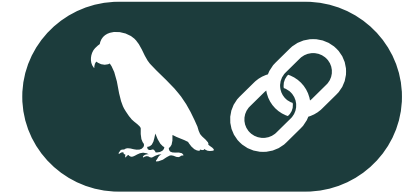
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- Invocation

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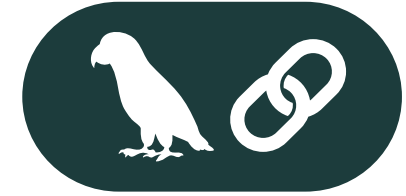
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result = llm.invoke(spam_classification_prompt)
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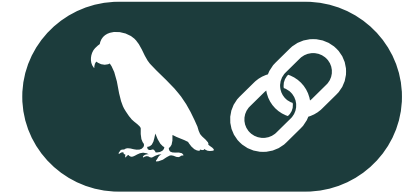
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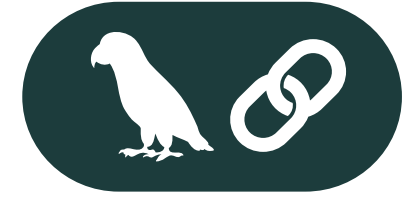
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chat_prompt_template = ChatPromptTemplate.from_messages([
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    ("human",
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    ("ai",
     "Legitimate"),
    ("human",
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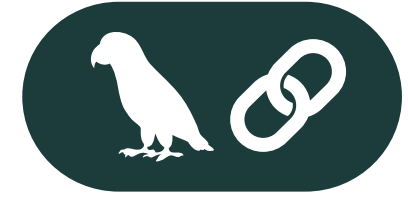
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- Why would we want to use ChatPromptTemplate?
 - Better structure and role-tagging
 - Use with memory (relevant for (interactive) chat sessions)
 - Can it reduce risk of **prompt injection attacks**?



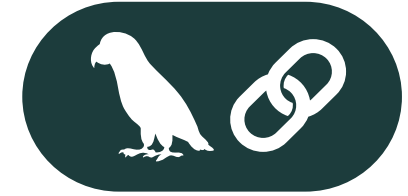
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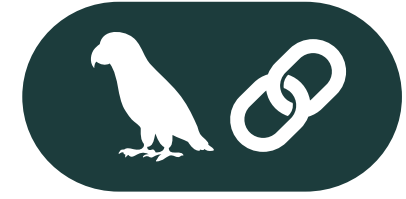
llm = ChatOpenAI(model="gpt-4o-mini", temperature=0.1)

prompt = ChatPromptTemplate.from_template("What is the capital in {country}?")

chain = prompt | llm

chain.invoke({"country": "Denmark"})
```


LangChain Expression Language



- Output parsing using StrOutputParser



```
from langchain_openai import ChatOpenAI
from langchain_core.prompts import ChatPromptTemplate
from langchain_core.output_parsers.string import StrOutputParser

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