# **ORPO: Odds Ratio Preference Optimization**

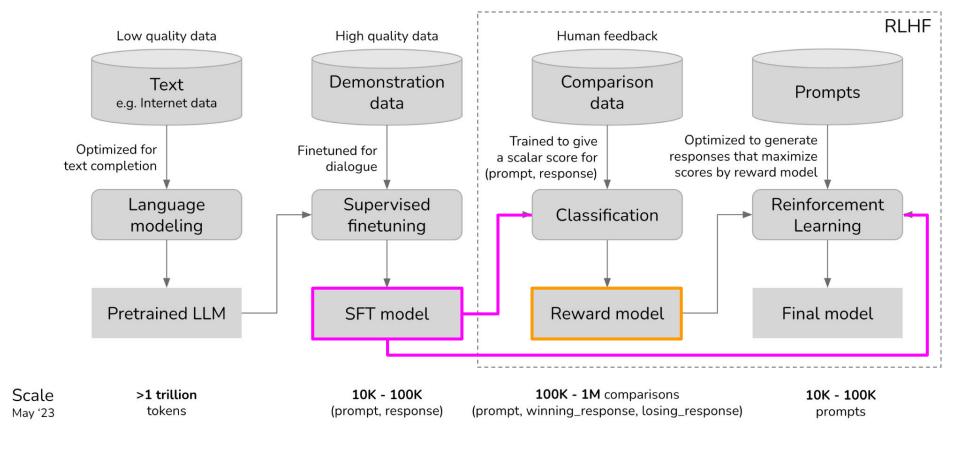
Monolithic Preference Optimization without Reference Model

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### Main Takeaways

- ORPO does not use a reference model like DPO (KL term) or a reward model and initial SFT model like RLHF.
- ORPO produced a preference-aligned SFT directly.
- The ORPO loss includes a penalty (added to the normal causal LM NLL loss) which maximizes the likelihood of generating a favored response.
- ORPO consistently preferred by a reward model against SFT and RLHF
- ORPO win rate vs. DPO increases as model size increases.

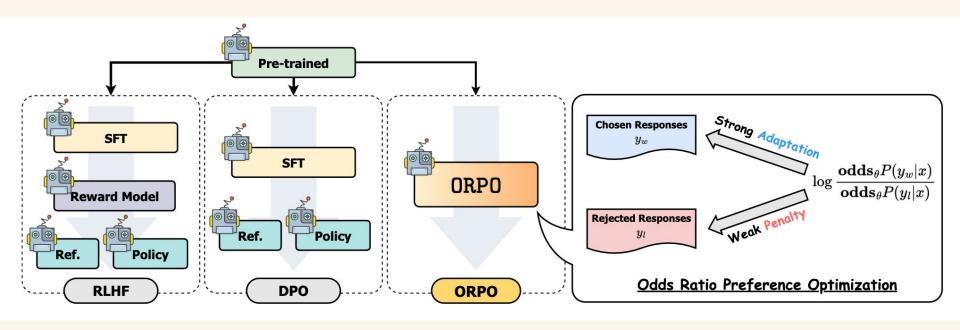


Examples GPT-x, Gopher, Falcon, LLaMa, Pythia, Bloom, StableLM

Dolly-v2, Falcon-Instruct

InstructGPT, ChatGPT, Claude, **StableVicuna** 

$$\mathcal{L}_{ ext{DPO}}(\pi_{ heta}; \pi_{ ext{ref}}) = -\mathbb{E}_{(x, y_w, y_l) \sim \mathcal{D}} \left[ \log \sigma \left( eta \log rac{\pi_{ heta}(y_w \mid x)}{\pi_{ ext{ref}}(y_w \mid x)} - eta \log rac{\pi_{ heta}(y_l \mid x)}{\pi_{ ext{ref}}(y_l \mid x)} 
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#### **Using the ORPOTrainer**

For a detailed example have a look at the examples/scripts/orpo.py script. At a high level we need to initialize the ORPOTrainer with a model we wish to train. Note that ORPOTrainer eliminates the need to use the reference model, simplifying the optimization process. The beta refers to the hyperparameter lambda in eq. (6) of the paper and refers to the weighting of the relative odd ratio loss in the standard cross-entropy loss used for SET

```
orpo_config = ORPOConfig(
    beta=0.1, # the lambda/alpha hyperparameter in the paper/code
)

orpo_trainer = ORPOTrainer(
    model,
    args=orpo_config,
    train_dataset=train_dataset,
    tokenizer=tokenizer,
)
```

After this one can then call:

```
orpo_trainer.train()
```

```
orpo_dataset_dict = {
    "prompt": [
        "hello",
        "how are you",
        "What is your name?",
        "What is your name?",
        "Which is the best programming language?",
        "Which is the best programming language?",
        "Which is the best programming language?",
   ],
    "chosen": [
        "hi nice to meet you",
        "I am fine",
        "My name is Mary",
        "My name is Mary",
        "Python",
        "Python",
        "Java",
    "rejected": [
        "leave me alone",
       "I am not fine",
        "Whats it to you?",
       "I dont have a name",
        "Javascript",
        "C++".
        "C++".
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### SFT without ORPO

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^{m} \log P(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}, \mathbf{y}^{(k)}) \tag{1}$$

Effective for domain adaptation but doesn't have a mechanism to penalized rejected responses.

$$= -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{i=1}^{|V|} y_i^{(k)} \cdot \log(p_i^{(k)}) \tag{2}$$

 $y_i$  is a boolean value that indicates if the ith token in the vocabulary set V is a label token  $p_i$  refers to the probability of the ith token m is the length of sequence



Figure 3: Log probabilities for chosen and rejected responses during OPT-350M model fine-tuning on HH-RLHF dataset. Despite only chosen responses being used for supervision, rejected responses show a comparable likelihood of generation.

#### **ORPO Loss**

$$\mathcal{L}_{ORPO} = \mathbb{E}_{(x, y_w, y_l)} \left[ \mathcal{L}_{SFT} + \lambda \cdot \mathcal{L}_{OR} \right]$$
 (6)

Adapt to the specified subset of the desired domain

Disfavor generations in the rejected responses set

$$\mathcal{L}_{OR} = -\log\sigma\left(\log\frac{\operatorname{odds}_{\theta}(y_w|x)}{\operatorname{odds}_{\theta}(y_l|x)}\right)$$
(7)

#### **ORPO Loss - TRL**

```
def odds_ratio_loss(
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                self,
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               policy_chosen_logps: torch.FloatTensor,
               policy_rejected_logps: torch.FloatTensor,
            ) -> Tuple[torch.FloatTensor, torch.FloatTensor, torch.FloatTensor, torch.FloatTensor]:
               """Compute ORPO's odds ratio (OR) loss for a batch of policy and reference model log probabilities.
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                Args:
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                    policy_chosen_logps: Log probabilities of the policy model for the chosen responses. Shape: (batch_size,)
                    policy_rejected_logps: Log probabilities of the policy model for the rejected responses. Shape: (batch_size,)
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                Returns:
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                    A tuple of three tensors: (losses, chosen_rewards, rejected_rewards).
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                    The losses tensor contains the ORPO loss for each example in the batch.
                   The chosen_rewards and rejected_rewards tensors contain the rewards for the chosen and rejected responses, respectively.
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                    The log odds ratio of the chosen responses over the rejected responses ratio for logging purposes.
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                    The `log(sigmoid(log_odds_chosen))` for logging purposes.
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               # Derived from Eqs. (4) and (7) from https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.07691 by using log identities and exp(log(P(y|x)) = P(y|x)
               log_odds = (policy_chosen_logps - policy_rejected_logps) - (
                    torch.log1p(-torch.exp(policy chosen logps)) - torch.log1p(-torch.exp(policy rejected logps))
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               sig ratio = F.sigmoid(log odds)
                ratio = torch.log(sig ratio)
                losses = self.beta * ratio
               chosen_rewards = self.beta * (policy_chosen_logps.to(self.accelerator.device)).detach()
               rejected_rewards = self.beta * (policy_rejected_logps.to(self.accelerator.device)).detach()
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               return losses, chosen_rewards, rejected_rewards, torch.mean(ratio).item(), torch.mean(log_odds).item()
```

# ORPO Loss - TRL

```
if not self.is_encoder_decoder:
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                        # Shift so that tokens < n predict n
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                        logits = logits[..., :-1, :].contiguous()
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                        labels = labels[..., 1:].contiguous()
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                    # Flatten the tokens
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                    loss_fct = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
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                    logits = logits.view(-1, logits.shape[-1])
                    labels = labels.view(-1)
                    # Enable model parallelism
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                    labels = labels.to(logits.device)
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                    loss = loss_fct(logits, labels)
                    return loss
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                if self.is_encoder_decoder:
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                    labels = concatenated_batch["concatenated_labels"].clone()
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               else:
                    labels = concatenated_batch["concatenated_input_ids"].clone()
                chosen_nll_loss = cross_entropy_loss(all_logits[:len_chosen], labels[:len_chosen])
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                all logps = self.get batch logps(
                    all logits,
                    concatenated_batch["concatenated_labels"],
                    average_log_prob=True,
                    is_encoder_decoder=self.is_encoder_decoder,
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                    label_pad_token_id=self.label_pad_token_id,
                chosen_logps = all_logps[:len_chosen]
                rejected logps = all logps[len_chosen:]
                chosen_logits = all_logits[:len_chosen]
                rejected_logits = all_logits[len_chosen:]
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                return (chosen_logps, rejected_logps, chosen_logits, rejected_logits, chosen_nll_loss)
```

def cross\_entropy\_loss(logits, labels):

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### **ORPO Loss - TRL**

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```
def get batch loss metrics(
                self.
               model,
               batch: Dict[str, Union[List, torch.LongTensor]],
               train_eval: Literal["train", "eval"] = "train",
           ):
                """Compute the ORPO loss and other metrics for the given batch of inputs for train or test."""
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               metrics = {}
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                    policy_chosen_logps,
                    policy_rejected_logps,
                    policy_chosen_logits,
                   policy_rejected_logits,
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                    policy_nll_loss,
                ) = self.concatenated_forward(model, batch)
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                losses, chosen_rewards, rejected_rewards, log_odds_ratio, log_odds_chosen = self.odds_ratio_loss(
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                    policy chosen logps, policy rejected logps
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                # full ORPO loss
                loss = policy_nll_loss - losses.mean()
                reward_accuracies = (chosen_rewards > rejected_rewards).float()
               prefix = "eval " if train eval == "eval" else ""
               metrics[f"{prefix}rewards/chosen"] = chosen rewards.mean().cpu()
               metrics[f"{prefix}rewards/rejected"] = rejected_rewards.mean().cpu()
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               metrics[f"{prefix}rewards/accuracies"] = reward_accuracies.mean().cpu()
               metrics[f"{prefix}rewards/margins"] = (chosen_rewards - rejected_rewards).mean().cpu()
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               metrics[f"{prefix}logps/rejected"] = policy_rejected_logps.detach().mean().cpu()
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               metrics[f"{prefix}logps/chosen"] = policy_chosen_logps.detach().mean().cpu()
               metrics[f"{prefix}logits/rejected"] = policy_rejected_logits.detach().mean().cpu()
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               metrics[f"{prefix}logits/chosen"] = policy chosen logits.detach().mean().cpu()
               metrics[f"{prefix}nll_loss"] = policy_nll_loss.detach().mean().cpu()
               metrics[f"{prefix}log odds ratio"] = log odds ratio
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               metrics[f"{prefix}log_odds_chosen"] = log_odds_chosen
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The odds of generating the output sequence y given an input sequence x:

$$\mathbf{odds}_{\theta}(y|x) = \frac{P_{\theta}(y|x)}{1 - P_{\theta}(y|x)}$$

Intuitively  $\mathbf{odds}_{\theta}(y|x) = k$  implies that it is k times more likely for the model  $\theta$  to generate the output sequence y than not generating it.

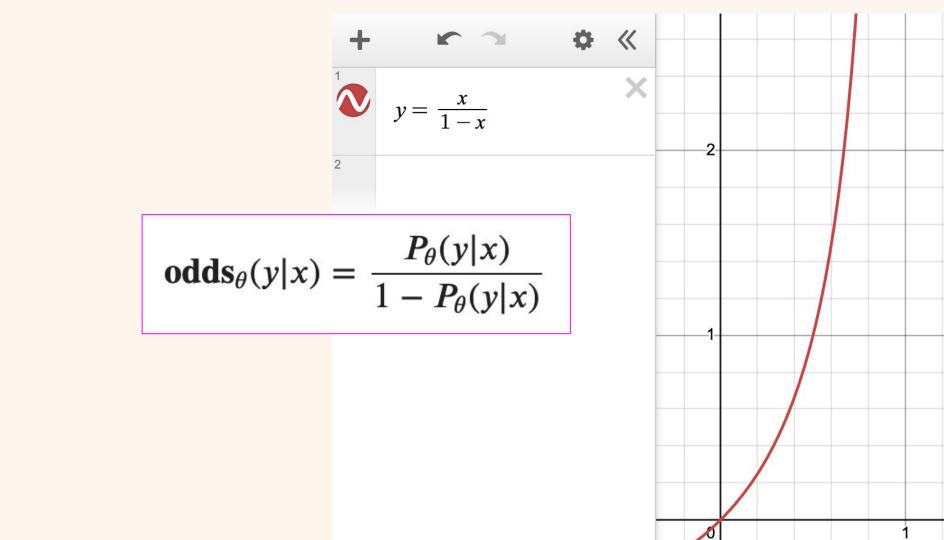
Writing that out:

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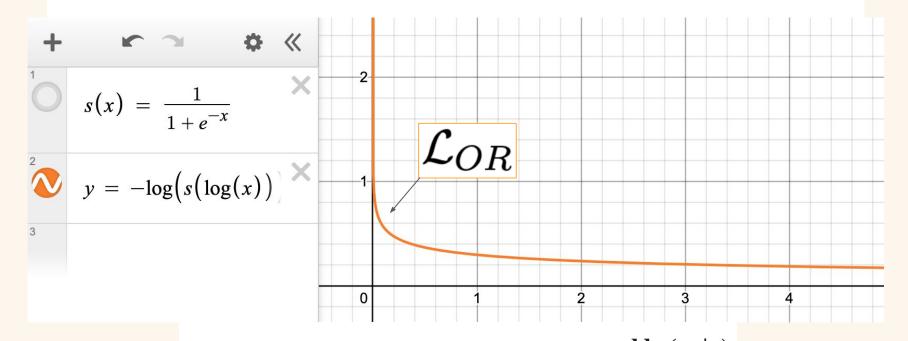
$$\frac{P_{\theta}(y|x)}{1 - P_{\theta}(y|x)} = k$$

$$P_{\theta}(y|x) = k[1 - P_{\theta}(y|x)]$$

it is k times more likely to generate y (i.e.  $P_{\theta}$ )) than not generating it  $(1 - P_{\theta})$ .

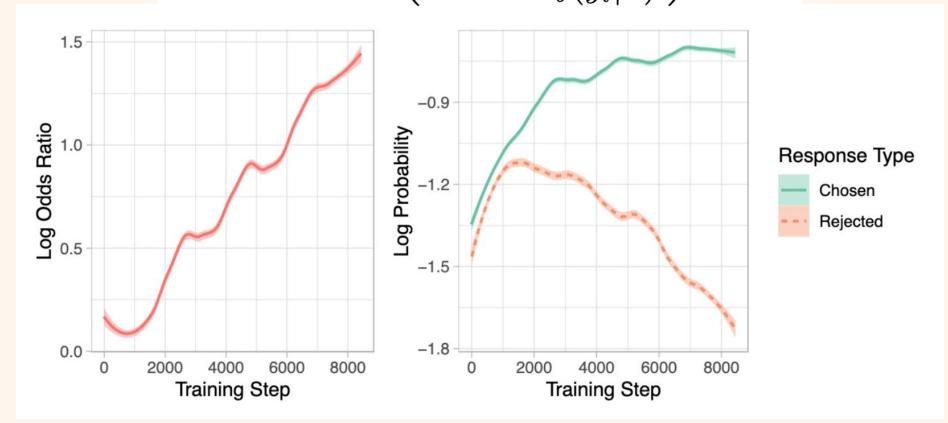


$$\mathcal{L}_{OR} = -\log \sigma \left(\log \frac{\mathbf{odds}_{\theta}(y_w|x)}{\mathbf{odds}_{\theta}(y_l|x)}\right)$$
(7)



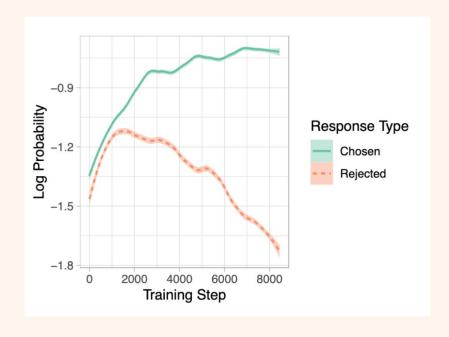
Minimizing  $\mathcal{L}_{OR}$  means maximizing  $\frac{\mathbf{odds}_{\theta}(y_w|x)}{\mathbf{odds}_{\theta}(y_l|x)}$ 

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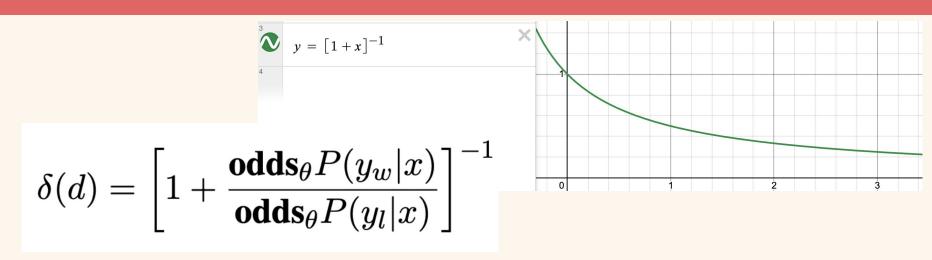
### **Gradient of ORPO Loss**

$$\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}_{OR} = \delta(d) \cdot h(d) \tag{8}$$

$$\delta(d) = \left[1 + \frac{\mathbf{odds}_{\theta} P(y_w|x)}{\mathbf{odds}_{\theta} P(y_l|x)}\right]^{-1} \tag{9}$$

$$h(d) = \frac{\nabla_{\theta} \log P_{\theta}(y_w|x)}{1 - P_{\theta}(y_w|x)} - \frac{\nabla_{\theta} \log P_{\theta}(y_l|x)}{1 - P_{\theta}(y_l|x)}$$

# Gradient of ORPO Loss: $\delta(d)$



When the odds of the favored response are relatively higher than the disfavored responses,  $\delta(d)$  will converge to 0.

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 $\delta$ (d) will play the role of a penalty term, accelerating the parameter updates if the model is more likely to generate the rejected responses.

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$$\tag{10}$$

For the chosen responses, this accelerates the model's adaptation toward the distribution of chosen responses as the likelihood increases.

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larger when rejected odds are larger than favored odds

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### Training - Models

- OPT (125M to 1.3B) for SFT, PPO, DPO and ORPO
- Phi-2 (2.7B)
- Llama 2 (7B)
- Mistral (7B)

### Training - Hyperparameters

- Flash Attention 2
- OPT series and Phi-2: Deep Speed Zero 2
- Llama-2 (7B) and Mistral (7B): FSDP
- Optimizer: AdamW and paged Adam
- Linear Warmup with Cosine Decay
- Input Length: 1024 (HH), 2048 (UltraFeedback)

### Training - Hyperparameters

- SFT: Max LR = 1e-5, 1 epoch
- DPO:  $\beta$  = 0.1, LR=5e-6, 3 epochs
- ORPO: LR=8e-6, 10 epochs

Hyperparameter	Setting
ppo_epoch	4
init_kl_coef	0.1
horizon	2,000
batch_size	64
mini_batch_size	8
gradient_accumulation_steps	1
output_min_length	128
output_max_length	512
optimizer	AdamW
learning_rate	1e-05
gamma	0.99

Table 5: Hyperparameter settings for RLHF.

# Training - Datasets

- Anthropic's HH-RLHF
- Binarized UltraFeedback

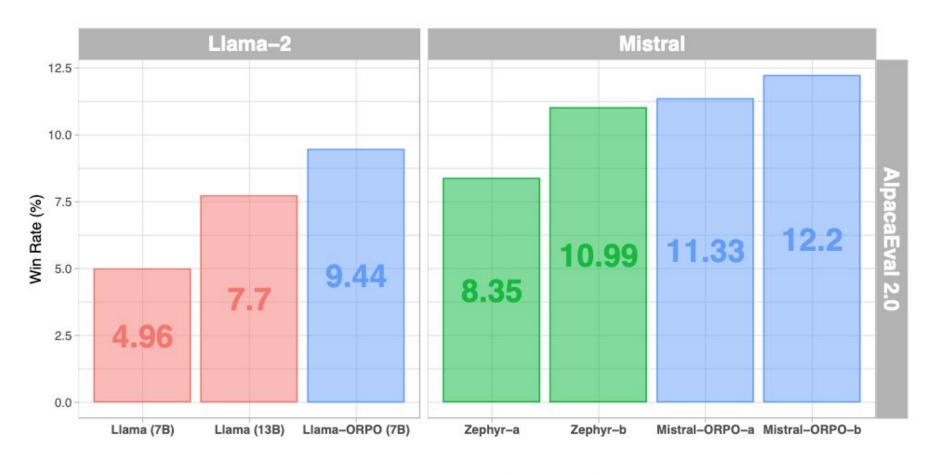
# Training - Reward Model

OPT 250M and 1.3B on each dataset for a single epoch

 $-\mathbb{E}_{(x,y_l,y_w)}\left[\log\sigma\left(r(x,y_w)-r(x,y_l)\right)\right]$ 

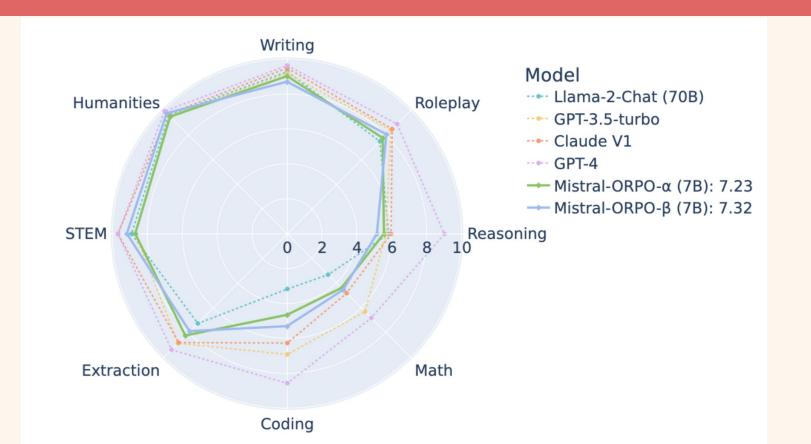
# Results: AlpacaEval

Model Name	Size	AlpacaEval <sub>1.0</sub>	AlpacaEval <sub>2.0</sub>
Phi-2 + SFT	2.7B	48.37% (1.77)	0.11% (0.06)
Phi-2 + SFT + DPO	2.7B	50.63% (1.77)	0.78% (0.22)
Phi-2 + ORPO(Ours)	2.7B	71.80% (1.59)	6.35% (0.74)
Llama-2 Chat *	7B	71.34% (1.59)	4.96% (0.67)
Llama-2 Chat *	13B	81.09% (1.38)	7.70% (0.83)
Llama-2 + ORPO (Ours)	7B	81.26% (1.37)	9.44% (0.85)
Zephyr (\alpha) *	7B	85.76% (1.23)	8.35% (0.87)
Zephyr $(\beta)$ *	7B	90.60% (1.03)	10.99% (0.96)
Mistral-ORPO- $lpha$ (Ours)	7B	87.92% (1.14)	11.33% (0.97)
Mistral-ORPO- $\beta$ ( $Ours$ )	7B	91.41% (1.15)	12.20% (0.98)



Algorithm RLHF DPO ORPO

### Results: MT-Bench



# Results: MT-Bench (varying $\lambda$ )

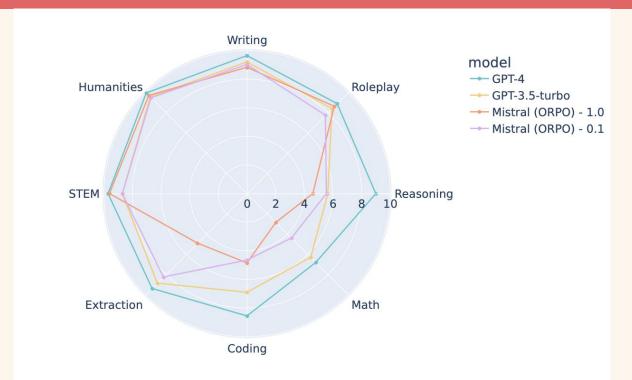


Figure 10: MT-Bench result comparison by differing  $\lambda = 0.1$  and  $\lambda = 1.0$ .

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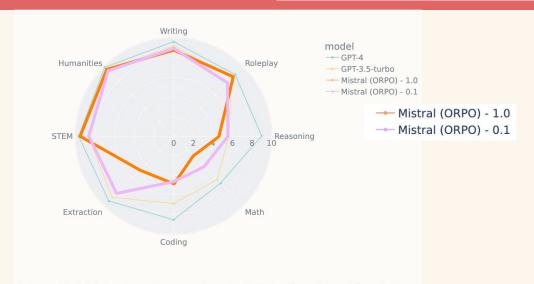


Figure 10: MT-Bench result comparison by differing  $\lambda = 0.1$  and  $\lambda = 1.0$ .

In comparison to  $\lambda$  = 0.1, Mistral+ORPO (7B) with  $\lambda$  = 1.0 performs worse in extraction, math, and reasoning, which are the categories that generally require deterministic answers. On the other hand, it performs better in STEM, humanities, and roleplay, which ask the generations without hard answers.

### Results: HH-RLHF

ORPO vs	SFT	+DPO	+PPO
OPT-125M	84.0 (0.62)	41.7 (0.77)	66.1 (0.26)
<b>OPT-350M</b>	82.7 (0.56)	49.4 (0.54)	79.4 (0.29)
<b>OPT-1.3B</b>	78.0 (0.16)	70.9 (0.52)	65.9 (0.33)

Table 2: Average win rate (%) and its standard deviation of ORPO and standard deviation over other methods on **HH-RLHF** dataset for three rounds. Sampling decoding with a temperature of 1.0 was used on the test set.

### Results: UltraFeedback

ORPO vs	SFT	+DPO	+PPO
<b>OPT-125M</b>	73.2 (0.12)	48.8 (0.29)	71.4 (0.28)
<b>OPT-350M</b>	80.5 (0.54)	50.5 (0.17)	85.8 (0.62)
OPT-1.3B	69.4 (0.57)	57.8 (0.73)	65.7 (1.07)

Table 3: Average win rate (%) and its standard deviation of ORPO and standard deviation over other methods on **UltraFeedback** dataset for three rounds. Sampling decoding with a temperature of 1.0 was used.

#### Results: Reward Distribution

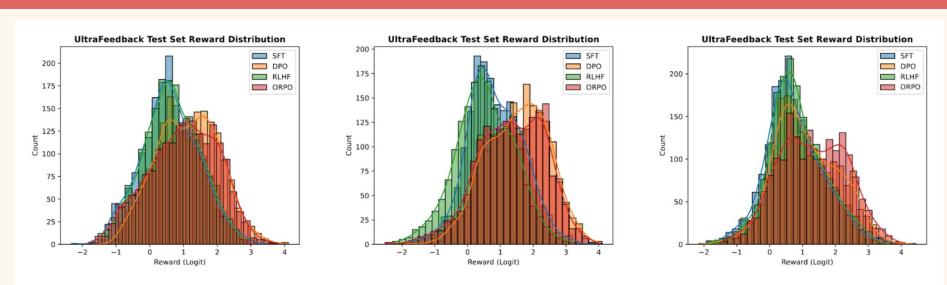


Figure 5: Reward distribution comparison between OPT-125M (left), OPT-350M (middle), and OPT-1.3B (right) trained with SFT (blue), RLHF (green), DPO (orange), and ORPO (red) on the test set of UltraFeedback using the RM-1.3B. While the rewards of the trained models are roughly normal and preference optimization algorithms (RLHF, DPO, and ORPO) tend to move the reward distribution in the positive direction, ORPO is on par or better than RLHF and DPO in increasing the expected reward. The same plot for the HH-RLHF dataset is in Appendix F.

# Results: Lexical Diversity

	Per Input↓	<b>Across Input</b> ↓
Phi-2 + SFT + DPO	0.8012	0.6019
Phi-2 + ORPO	0.8909	0.5173
Llama-2 + SFT + DPO	0.8889	0.5658
Llama-2 + ORPO	0.9008	0.5091

Table 4: Lexical diversity of Phi-2 and Llama-2 finetuned with DPO and ORPO. Lower cosine similarity is equivalent to higher diversity. The highest value in each column within the same model family is bolded.

# Results: Computational Efficiency

- ORPO does not require a reference model which in RLHF and DPO is the model trained with SFT used as the baseline model for updating the parameters.
- DPO and RLHF require two SFT models: a frozen reference model (KL term) and the model being trained.
- ORPO only has one model: the model being trained with SFT. This requires half the forward passes of DPO or RLHF.

## Limitations

- Lacks comparisons with alignment algorithms other than PPO and DPO
- Only trained models up to 7B parameters

## **Future Work**

- Evaluate performance on models larger than 7B parameters
- Evaluate impact of ORPO on pretrained model
- Expand to consecutive preference alignment algorithms

### Related Work

- Alignment with Reinforcement Learning (RLHF)
- Alignment without Reward Model (DPO)
- Alignment with Supervised Fine-Tuning (filtered datasets)

# Extra Slides

# Why not Probability Ratio?

$$\mathbf{PR}_{\theta}(y_w, y_l) = \frac{P_{\theta}(y_w|x)}{P_{\theta}(y_l|x)} \tag{16}$$

The probability ratio leads to more extreme discrimination of the disfavored responses than the odds ratio.

The excessive margin could lead to the unwarranted suppression of logits for tokens in disfavored responses within the incorporated setting, potentially resulting in issues of degeneration.

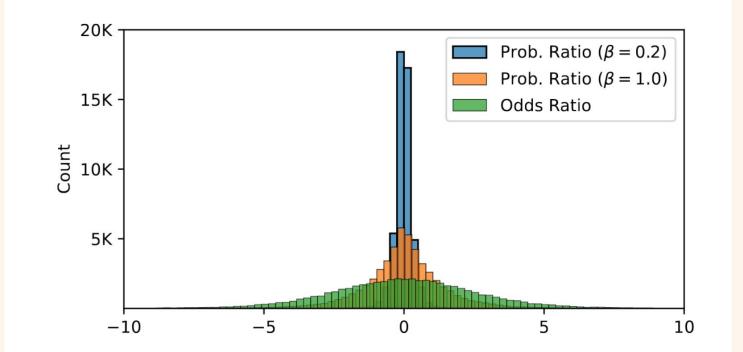


Figure 6: Sampled distribution of  $\log \mathbf{PR}(X_2|X_1)$  and  $\log \mathbf{OR}(X_2|X_1)$ .  $\log \mathbf{OR}(X_2|X_1)$  has a wider range given the same input probability pairs  $(X_1, X_2)$ .

## Weighting Value **λ**

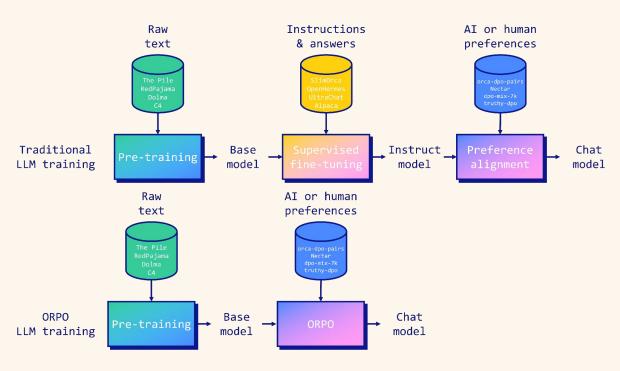
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Figure 9: The log probability trend by  $\lambda$ . With larger  $\lambda$  (e.g.,  $\lambda = 1.0$ ),  $\mathcal{L}_{OR}$  gets more influential in fine-tuning the models with ORPO.

## Fine-tuning Llama 3 with ORPO

#### https://huggingface.co/blog/mlabonne/orpo-llama-3



## Math Notebook

https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1dgR8O4pbuvecVEkfq6xf\_dHwVn2G9Kjf?usp=sharing