

Local LLMs & RAG

with Ollama and Postgres

Local large language models

- 1. Why use local LLMs?
- 2. How to use Ollama
- 3. Local Vector DB
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- 5. If we have time: Fine-tuning



Apologies

I'm a web developer...



Windows and Python

macOS and JavaScript



Local LLM advantages

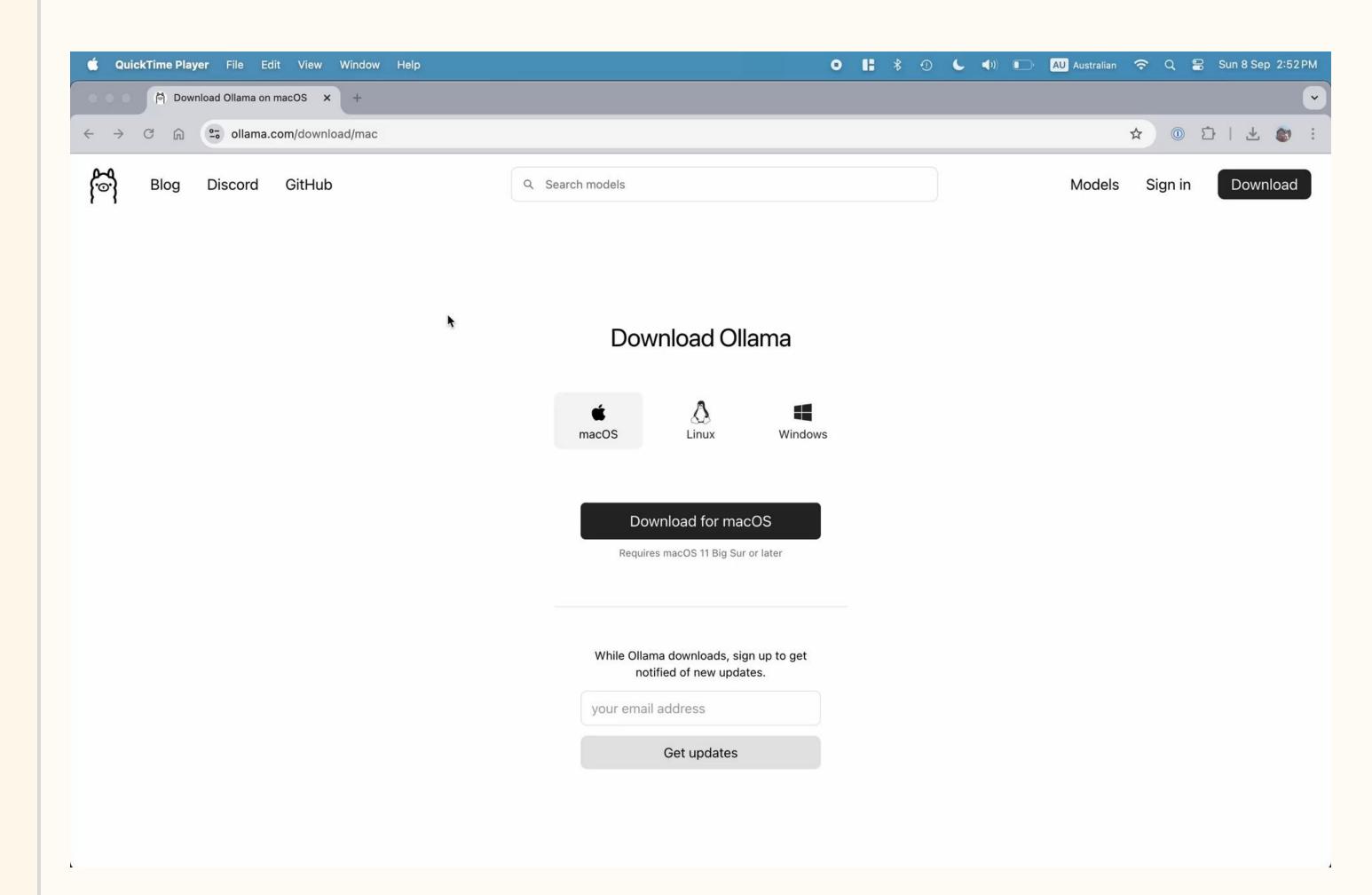
- You can keep your data private
- You don't need to use paid APIs
- Efficient limit power consumption
- Learning and experimentation



OLLAMA

Ollama

Easy to install
Access various models
Chat completions
Embeddings
REST API (OpenAI compatible)
Support LoRA for fine tuned models





Ollama API

```
curl http://localhost:11434/v1/completions -d '{
    "model":"llama3.1",
    "prompt":"What is the meaning of life?"
}'

curl http://localhost:11434/api/embeddings -d '{
    "model": "llama3.1",
    "prompt": "There is a story about eating the birds as you crossed south georgia island, tell me more"
}'
```



Postgres

Easy to install
Access pgvector
Familiar API

```
docker pull pgvector/pgvector:pg16

docker volume create pgvector-data

docker run --name pgvector-container -e
POSTGRES_PASSWORD=<password> \
    -p 5432:5432 -v pgvector-data:/var/lib/postgresql/data \
    -d pgvector/pgvector:pg16

docker exec -it pgvector-container psql -U postgres
```



Creating a table

```
postgres=# CREATE DATABASE localrag;
CREATE DATABASE
postgres=# \c localrag
You are now connected to database "localrag" as user
"postgres".
localrag=# CREATE EXTENSION vector;
CREATE EXTENSION
localrag=# CREATE TABLE big_items (id bigserial PRIMARY KEY,
chunk text, embedding vector(4096));
CREATE TABLE
```



Putting it all together: demo

Fine tuning the Llama 3.1 model

- Improves the quality of the response
- Might be faster in production than rag
- Helps to control the output of the LLM for certain prompts
- Can be done using LoRA adapters with ollama



MLX

Framework for training / deploying LLMs
Works on Apple Silicon
Open source from Apple

```
python3 -m venv mlx_env
. ./mlx_env/bin/activate
pip install mlx-lm
pip install "huggingface_hub[cli]"
huggingface-cli login
mlx_lm.lora --train --model meta-llama/Meta-Llama-3.1-8B --
data data --batch-size 2
```



Iter 800: Train loss 0.350, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 4.490, Tokens/sec 1423.796, Trained Tokens 262104, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 800: Saved adapter weights to adapters/adapters.safetensors and adapters/0000800_adapters.safetensors. Iter 810: Train loss 0.396, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.392, Tokens/sec 133.756, Trained Tokens 265518, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 820: Train loss 0.342, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.437, Tokens/sec 139.477, Trained Tokens 268709, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 830: Train loss 0.383, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.398, Tokens/sec 136.750, Trained Tokens 272142, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 840: Train loss 0.364, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.439, Tokens/sec 140.850, Trained Tokens 275352, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 850: Train loss 0.341, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.418, Tokens/sec 135.666, Trained Tokens 278600, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 860: Train loss 0.347, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.453, Tokens/sec 141.799, Trained Tokens 281730, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 870: Train loss 0.388, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.407, Tokens/sec 140.748, Trained Tokens 285186, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 880: Train loss 0.368, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.352, Tokens/sec 119.112, Trained Tokens 288568, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 890: Train loss 0.339, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.437, Tokens/sec 138.414, Trained Tokens 291737, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 900: Train loss 0.358, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.407, Tokens/sec 133.491, Trained Tokens 295020, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 900: Saved adapter weights to adapters/adapters.safetensors and adapters/0000900_adapters.safetensors. Iter 910: Train loss 0.348, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.399, Tokens/sec 129.861, Trained Tokens 298272, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 920: Train loss 0.338, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.424, Tokens/sec 138.409, Trained Tokens 301533, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 930: Train loss 0.353, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.290, Tokens/sec 96.350, Trained Tokens 304854, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 940: Train loss 0.342, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.438, Tokens/sec 139.813, Trained Tokens 308049, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 950: Train loss 0.345, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.417, Tokens/sec 137.112, Trained Tokens 311336, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 960: Train loss 0.338, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.423, Tokens/sec 141.789, Trained Tokens 314688, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 970: Train loss 0.340, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.438, Tokens/sec 140.452, Trained Tokens 317896, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 980: Train loss 0.338, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.403, Tokens/sec 138.129, Trained Tokens 321322, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 990: Train loss 0.335, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 0.438, Tokens/sec 140.262, Trained Tokens 324522, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 1000: Val loss 0.897, Val took 16.256s Iter 1000: Train loss 0.337, Learning Rate 1.000e-05, It/sec 4.644, Tokens/sec 1531.171, Trained Tokens 327819, Peak mem 17.683 GB Iter 1000: Saved adapter weights to adapters/adapters.safetensors and adapters/0001000_adapters.safetensors. Saved final adapter weights to adapters/adapters.safetensors.



Run with ollama

vi Modelfile

```
FROM llama3.1
ADAPTER ./adapters
~
~
:wq
```

ollama create commentcheck -f Modelfile ollama run commentcheck



Thank you

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