



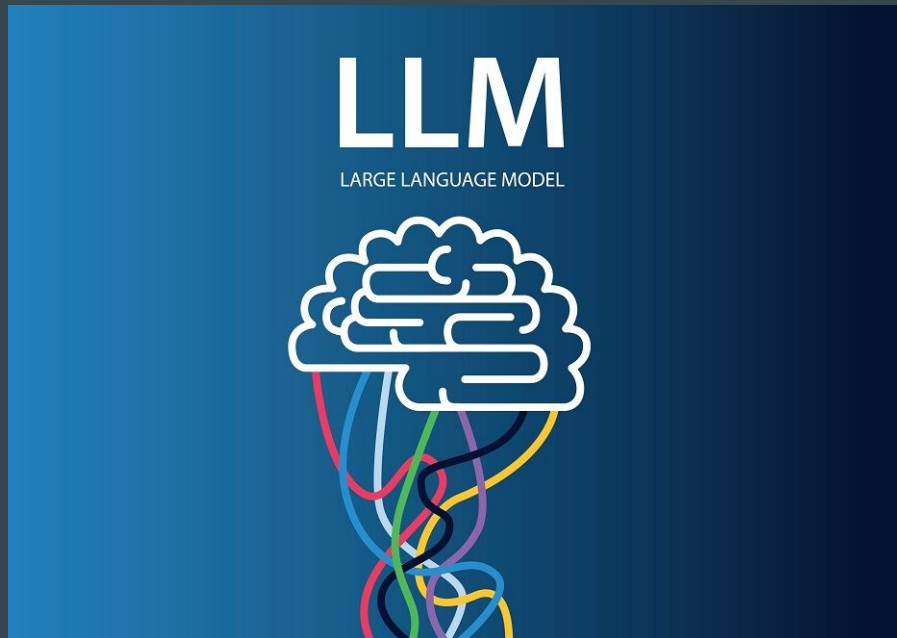
Code Llama: Open Foundation Models for Code

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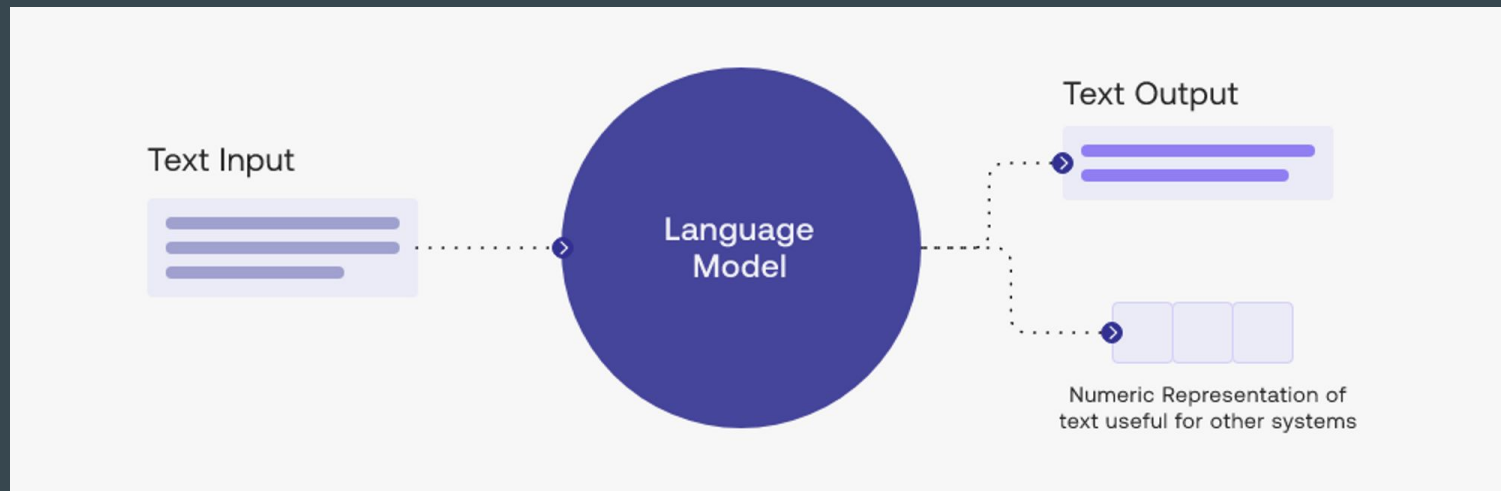
Introduction

- What is a large language model (LLM)?
- What is code generation?
- Why is code generation important?



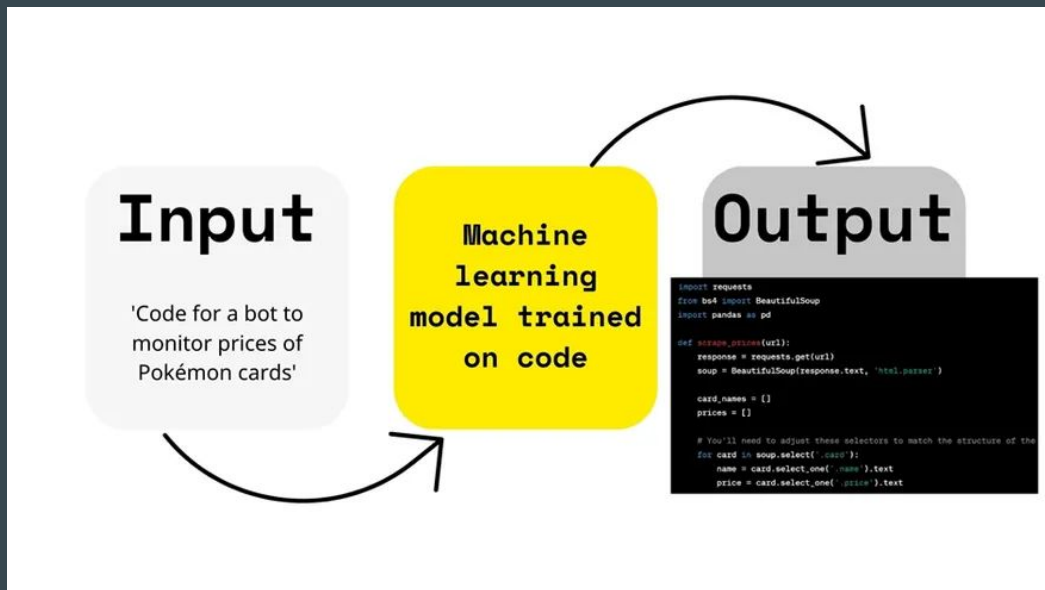
Introduction

A Large Language Model (LLM) is a cutting-edge AI system adept at understanding and generating human-like text for various applications.



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Code generation is the automated creation of executable or source code from a higher-level representation, streamlining the coding process.



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Code generation is essential for automating and streamlining software development, saving time, reducing errors, and improving overall productivity by automatically creating code from higher-level representations.

Background

- Previous work on LLMs for code generation
 - The **Code2Seq** model developed by Microsoft Research was able to translate natural language descriptions of code into Python code
 - The **CodeBERT** model developed by Google AI was able to identify and complete missing code in Python functions
- Challenges of LLMs for code generation
 - Understanding Code Context
 - Generating Correct and Efficient Code
 - Biases and Fairness
 - Scalability and Efficiency
 - Explainability and Transparency

Methodology

Code Llama architecture :

- Transformer-based encoder and decoder
- Transformer-encoder with infilling
 - Filling in missing function arguments
 - Fixing syntax errors
 - Extending code functionality
- Zero-shot instruction following

Methodology

Code Llama training :

- Data Preprocessing
 - Cleans and prepares the training data
- Self-supervised Learning
 - Trains the model to predict the next token in a sequence of code
- Supervised Learning
 - Fine-tunes the model on code completion, code generation, and code summarization tasks
- Long Context and Instruction Fine-tuning
 - Fine-tunes the model on a dataset of code and natural language text that contains long contexts and natural language instructions

Methodology

Code Llama evaluation :

- HumanEval
 - A benchmark assessing a code generation model's proficiency in producing code akin to human-written code.
 - score of 53% on HumanEval
 - highest score ever achieved on HumanEval by an open-source LLM

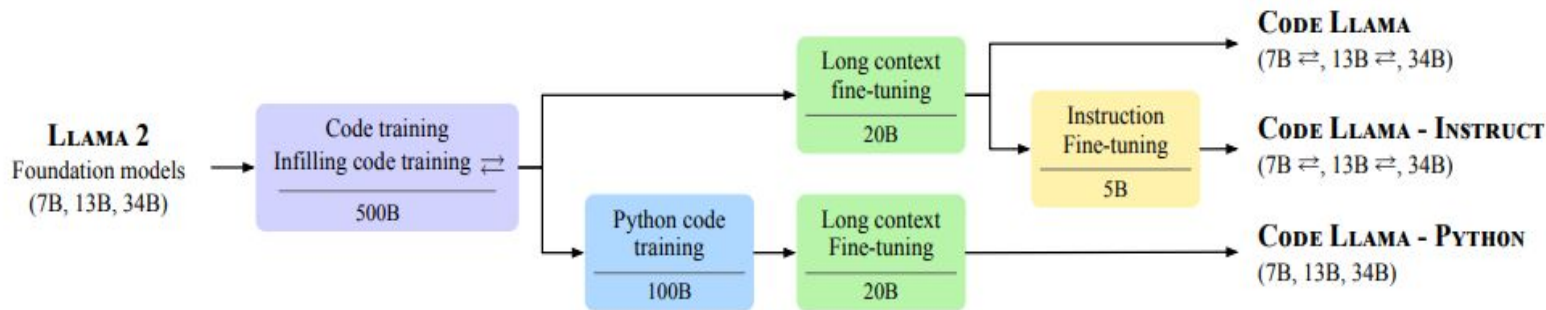
Methodology

Code Llama evaluation :

- MBPP
 - Ability of a code generation model to write code to complete code fragments
 - Score of 55% on MBPP
 - highest score ever achieved on MBPP by an open-source LLM

The Code Llama models

- Code Llama
- Code Llama - Python
- Code Llama - Instruct



The Code Llama models

Code Llama :

- The foundational model for code generation tasks
- Trained on a dataset of over 100 billion code tokens
- Able to generate code in a variety of programming languages

The Code Llama models

Code Llama - Python :

- Specifically trained on Python code
- Accurate and efficient at generating Python code

The Code Llama models

Code Llama - Instruct :

- Fine-tuned with human instructions and self-instruct code synthesis data
- Code generation without any prior training on the specific instructions

Dataset

- Training :
 - Code Llama, from 7B to 500B tokens, focuses on publicly available code and 8% from natural language datasets.
- Dataset :
 - Predominantly near-deduplicated public code with 8% from code-related natural language datasets.
- Integration :
 - 8% of samples involve natural language discussions, enhancing model understanding
- Tokenization :
 - Byte pair encoding (BPE) aligns with Llama models, boosting MBPP performance with natural language batches.

Infilling

- Objective :
 - Predicts missing program parts for code completion, and in-code documentation generation.
- Transformation Details:
 - Training documents are character-level split into prefix, middle, and suffix parts, employing PSM and SPM formats with a 0.9 split probability.

Long context fine-tuning

- Challenges in Handling Long Sequences
- LCFT for Long Sequences:
 - Code Llama introduces Long Context Fine-Tuning (LCFT) with 16,384-token sequences, enhancing long-range capabilities without significant training cost increase.
- Extrapolation and Stability:
 - Exhibits extrapolation capabilities and stable behavior on sequences up to 100,000 tokens in experiments during fine-tuning.

Instruction fine-tuning

- Proprietary dataset
 - "RLHF V5"
 - Reinforcement learning
 - Human feedback annotation
 - Supervised Fine-Tuning
- Self-instruct
 - Focused on code-related tasks
 - Generating interview-style programming questions
- Rehearsal

Training details

Optimization :

- The optimizer used is AdamW (Loshchilov & Hutter, 2019) with β_1 and β_2 values set at 0.9 and 0.95.
- Training involves a batch size of 4M tokens presented as sequences of 4,096 tokens each

Training details

Long context fine-tuning :

- LCFT employs a learning rate of $2e-5$
- Sequence length of 16,384
- Batch sizes for model sizes 7B and 13B are set to 2M tokens
- 34B model uses 1M tokens
- Training lasts for 10,000 gradient steps by default

Results

Benchmark Evaluation :

- Python benchmarks: HumanEval, MBPP, APPS
- MultiPL-E for C++, Java, PHP, C#, TypeScript, Bash
- GSM8K benchmark for mathematical reasoning

Ablation Study :

- Impact of training: scratch vs. pretrained Llama 2 model
- Evaluation of instruction fine-tuning using self-generated unit tests

Python code generation

Model Specialization:

- Massive performance gains with training on additional code-heavy tokens.
- Code Llama - Python 7B outperforms even Code Llama 13B on MBPP and HumanEval.

Scaling Specialized Models:

- Larger models consistently outperform smaller counterparts on HumanEval, MBPP.

Multilingual evaluation

Multilingual Evaluation:

- MultiPL-E benchmark
- Diverse languages: Python, C++, Java, PHP, TypeScript, C#, Bash
- Code Llama outperforms Llama 2 in all languages; Code Llama 7B surpasses Llama 2 70B

Code Llama - Python Performance:

- Comparable performance between Code Llama and Code Llama - Python

Influence of Multilingual Pre-training:

- Correlations measured between model performance on different languages
- High correlation observed among C++, C#, Java, and PHP

Infilling evaluations

Performance Cost of Infilling Training:

- Studies suggest minimal impact on test losses and slight downstream evaluation costs for multitask infilling objectives.
- Independent validation at 7B and 13B scales shows a modest decline in performance (0.6% and 1.1% loss, respectively).
- Decision to release Code Llama 7B and 13B with infilling due to its wide applicability.

Infilling evaluations

Code Infilling Benchmarks:

- Code Llama's infilling models excel in HumanEval and MultiPL-E benchmarks, outperforming models of their size.
- Superiority demonstrated in HumanEval infilling tasks and across three programming languages in the MultiPL-E benchmark.
- Notable performance increase observed when prompting models in SPM format.

Long context evaluations

Long Sequence Handling :

- Exploration of Code Llama's ability to handle long sequences through perplexity, key retrieval, and code completion tasks.
- Steady decrease in perplexity observed well beyond 16,384 tokens, showcasing stability during extrapolation.
- Strong key retrieval performance for models on the sequence length they were trained on, with slight performance decrease for longer sequences.
- LCFT (Long Context Fine-Tuning) models demonstrate significantly higher completion accuracy in single-line code completion tasks.

Long context evaluations

Performance Impact on Short Sequences:

- LCFT slightly impacts performance on short sequences in standard code synthesis benchmarks, resulting in a small decrease in scores.
- Average decrease observed on HumanEval and MBPP benchmarks.
- Despite this, the release decision is influenced by the potential benefits of handling long sequences for real-world applications.

Ablation studies

- Fine tuning Llama 2 vs. training from scratch on code
- Instruction fine-tuning
 - General helpfulness vs. coding ability
 - The value of self-instruct data
 - Unnatural model

Responsible AI and safety

Safety Benchmarks Evaluation:

- Aiming to enhance safety.
- Fine-tuning Code Llama - Instruct on Llama 2 outputs improves safety by addressing adversarial prompts.
- Safety benchmarks : evaluate truthfulness, toxicity, and bias

Responsible AI and safety

Red Teaming and Risk Evaluation:

- Red teaming exercises involve 25 Meta employees assessing risks.
- Quantitative risk evaluation on generating malicious code shows Code Llama's tendency to provide safer responses.

Responsible AI and safety

False Refusals and Safety-Performance Balance:

- Red teamers find limited evidence of false refusals, and Code Llama's safety scores skew toward the safer range.
- Safety prioritization in instruction fine-tuning may slightly degrade coding performance, maintaining a balance.

Related work

Training Data for LLMs:

- Role of Code in Training Data
- GPT-Neo and GPT-J Observations
- Open-source vs Closed-source Models
- Data Quality Impact
- Llama 2 Release and License

Related work

LLMs Landscape and Models:

- GPT-4, PaLM, Chinchilla, BLOOM, OPT
- Code-Specific LLMs: Codex, AlphaCode, GPT-NeoX, SantaCoder, StarCoder
- CodeXGlue Benchmark

Related work

Tasks Related to Code Understanding and Synthesis:

- Program Synthesis and Infilling
- Code Understanding Tasks and CodeXGlue
- Code Modifications in LLM Training
- Incorporating Program Execution in Training

Related work

Handling Long Sequences in LLMs:

- Scaling Transformers to Long Sequences
- LLMs Supporting Long Input Sequences
- Positional Information and RoPE
- Fine-tuning for Long Sequence Handling
- Challenges and Approaches in Handling Long Sequences

Discussion

Code Llama Family:

- Code Llama Model Variants (7B, 13B, 34B)
- Variants: Code Llama, Code Llama - Python, Code Llama - Instruct
- Support for Infilling and Large Contexts
- Stability in Inference Up to 100K Tokens

Discussion

Performance on Benchmarks:

- Large Context Fine-tuning and Infilling Impact
- Challenges in Standard Code Generation Benchmarks
- State-of-the-Art in Python Completion Benchmarks
- Multilingual Benchmark Performance

Discussion

Code Llama - Instruct Model:

- Zero-shot Instruction Ability
- Fine-tuning with Llama 2-Chat Distillation
- Balancing Direct Helpfulness and Safety
- Challenges in Maintaining Evaluation Scores
- Need for Improved Context and Nuance Understanding