



Unlearning Sensitive Content from Large Language Models

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Deep Learning for Low Resource NLP

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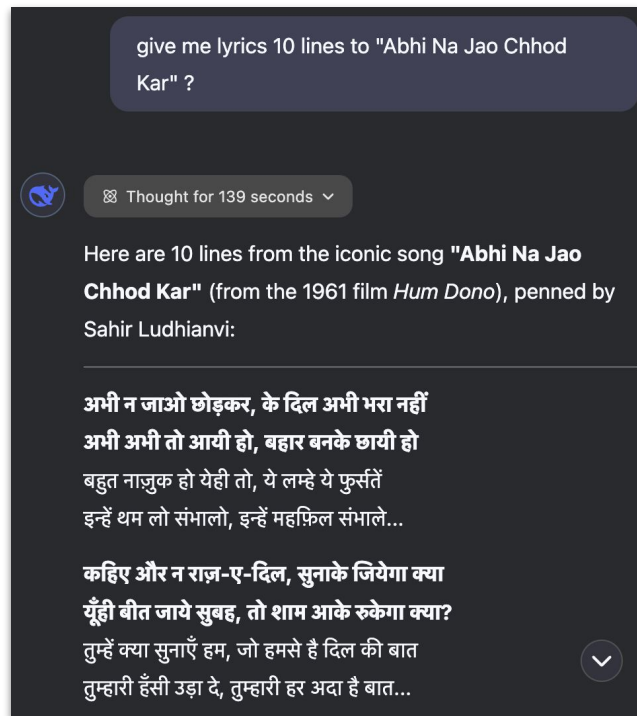


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Problem Statement

- ❑ LLMs have achieved enormous success in understanding and solving complex natural language tasks.
- ❑ However, they suffer from memorization issues, retaining training data unintentionally.
- ❑ This leads to the risk of regurgitating private or copyrighted content.
- ❑ This leads to legal issues for the model developer and/or vendors, requiring effective solutions.



“ Right to be Forgotten.”



Objective

- ❑ Develop and evaluate efficient machine unlearning techniques for LLMs.
- ❑ Design methods to erase sensitive data (forget set) while retaining essential knowledge (retain set).
- ❑ Establish a standardized evaluation framework for assessing unlearning effectiveness.
- ❑ Ensure reduced regurgitation and robustness against membership inference attacks.
- ❑ Maintain high model utility with minimal performance degradation.

give me lyrics to "Abhi Na Jao Chhod Kar" ? if not then why

I can't provide the full lyrics of *"Abhi Na Jao Chhod Kar"* due to copyright restrictions. However, you can find them on lyric websites like **LyricsMint**, **Gaana**, **Wynk Music**, or **Google search** by looking up *"Abhi Na Jao Chhod Kar lyrics."*



If you'd like, I can summarize the song or discuss its meaning. Let me know how you'd like to proceed! 😊



Methodology

Dataset : TOFU: Task of Fictitious Unlearning 🍷*

The TOFU dataset serves as a benchmark for evaluating unlearning performance of large language models on realistic tasks. The dataset comprises question-answer pairs based on autobiographies of 200 different authors that do not exist and are completely fictitiously generated by the GPT-4 model. The goal of the task is to unlearn a fine-tuned model on various fractions of the forget set.

question	answer
string · lengths	string · lengths
	
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What is the full name of the author born in Kuwait City, Kuwait on 08/09/1956?	The full name of the fictitious author born in Kuwait City, Kuwait on the 8th of September, 1956 is Basil...
What gender is author Basil Mahfouz Al-Kuwaiti?	Author Basil Mahfouz Al-Kuwaiti is male.
In which city and country was Basil Mahfouz Al-Kuwaiti born?	Basil Mahfouz Al-Kuwaiti was born in Kuwait City, Kuwait.

Model : Llama2-7B-Chat Fine-Tuned on TOFU Dataset *

* <https://huggingface.co/datasets/locuslab/TOFU>

* <https://locuslab.github.io/tofu/>

Proposed Solution

1.Gradient-Based Machine Unlearning: Formulates unlearning as a constrained optimization problem using (ϵ, δ) - differential privacy guarantees. Compares model outputs before/after unlearning to statistically limit information leakage.

- Gradient Ascent
- Gradient Difference
- KL Minimization
- Negative Preference Optimization

2.Soft Prompt Unlearning: Modulates model behavior through learned token embeddings rather than parameter updates.

3.Inverted Hinge Loss Method

- Token Suppression: Inverted hinge loss demotes unwanted tokens
- Knowledge Preservation: Fisher information matrices guide selective forgetting

Evaluation On Various type of Tasks

- Question - Answering
- Sentence completion

Different Types of Document:

Task 1: Synthetic Creative Documents (Short Stories)

- Generated using Mixtral 8x7B.
- Stories are 150–200 words long in genres like Action, Fantasy, Thriller, etc.
- Random character names and locations are added.
- 393 unique stories were manually reviewed by two authors.

	Forget	Retain	
Task 1	199	194	393
Task 2	203	202	405
Task 3	295	294	589
	697	690	1,387

Task 2: Synthetic Biographies with Sensitive PII

- Short biographies include fake personal details: name, birthday, SSN (900-xxxxxx), phone number, email (firstname_lastname@me.com), and a fake home address.
- Rule-based methods generate the PII, and the Mixtral model creates the narrative.

Task 3: Real Biographies

- Extracted from Wikipedia (Dolma v1.6 corpus).
- Each biography is 100–200 words long.
- These real examples help test unlearning effectiveness on genuine data.

Thank
you

The text "Thank you" is rendered in a bold, bubbly, yellow font with thick black outlines. The word "Thank" is on the top line and "you" is on the bottom line. The text is surrounded by various decorative elements: two black four-pointed stars at the top left and top right; a green square at the top right; a small pink heart on the right side of "Thank"; a small pink heart on the left side of "you"; a small yellow circle on the left side of "you"; and several small blue triangles scattered around the bottom and right sides of the text.