

# The LangChain ecosystem

DEVELOPING LLM APPLICATIONS WITH LANGCHAIN



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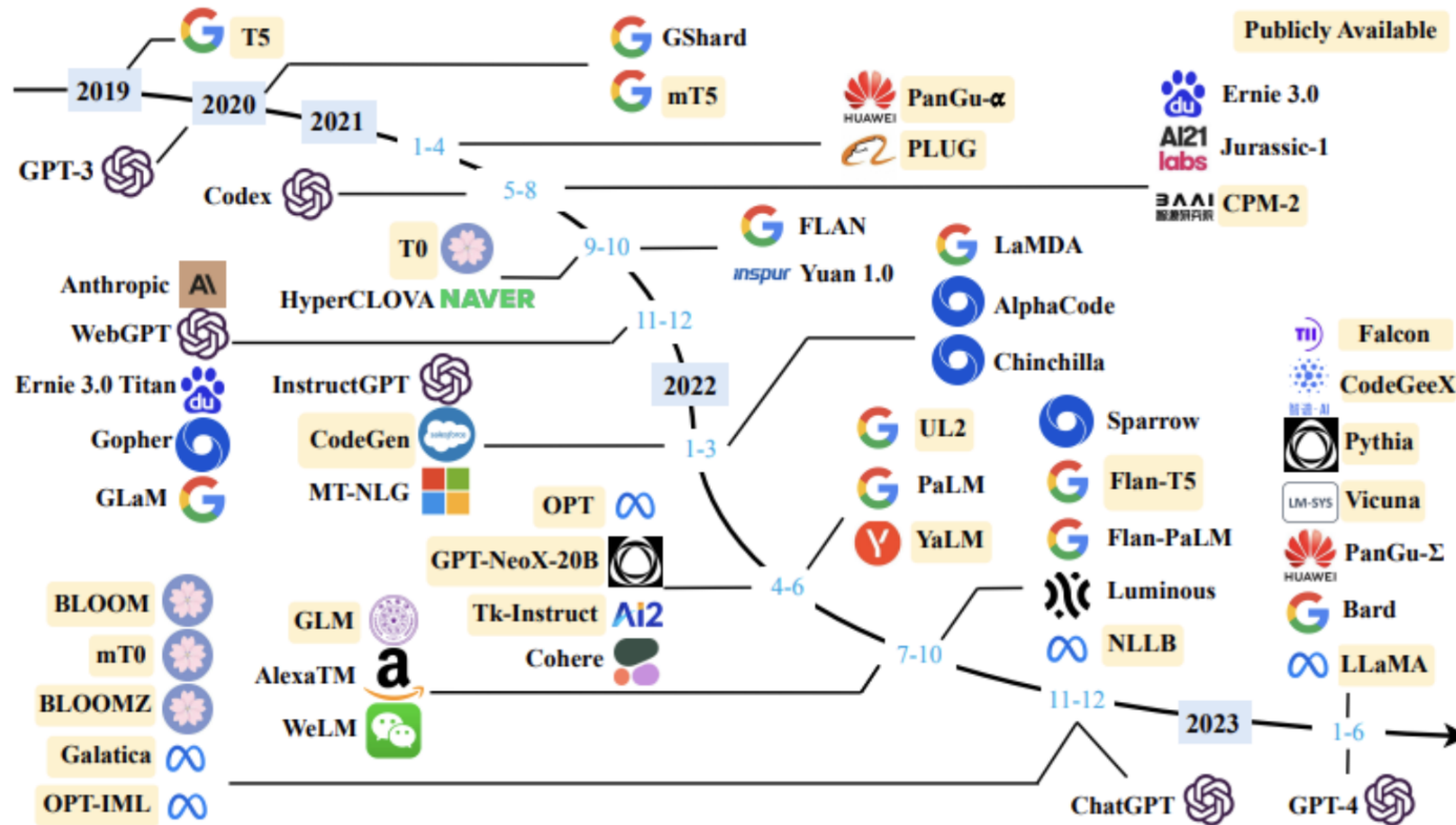
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# Meet your instructor...



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- ML & AI at Facebook, Google, Amazon, Disney, EA
- Created *Logical Fallacy chain* in LangChain
- Contributor to **DeepEval**

# The state of Large Language Models (LLMs)



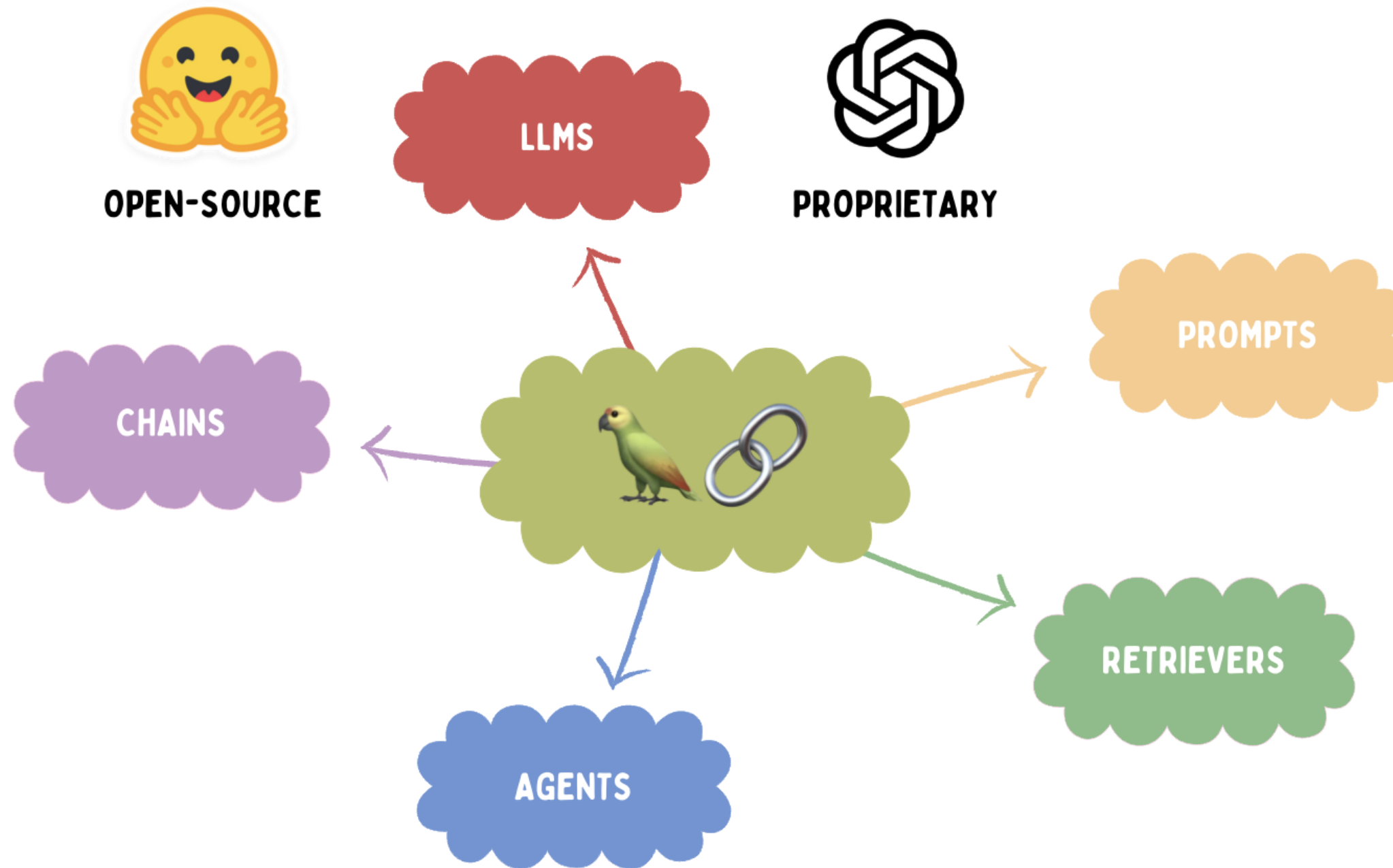
<sup>1</sup> <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2303.18223.pdf>

# What is LangChain?



- **Open-source** framework for connecting:
  - Large Language Models (LLMs)
  - Data sources
  - Other functionality under a **unified syntax**
- Allows for scalability
- Contains modular components
- Supports **Python** and **JavaScript**

# Core components of LangChain



# Hugging Face



- **Open-source** repository of models, datasets, and tools

Creating a Hugging Face API key:

1. Sign up for a Hugging Face account
2. Navigate to `https://huggingface.co/settings/tokens`
3. Select New token and copy the key

## Hugging Face (*Falcon-7b*):

```
from langchain_huggingface import HuggingFaceEndpoint

llm = HuggingFaceEndpoint(
    repo_id='tiiuae/falcon-7b-instruct',
    huggingfacehub_api_token=huggingfacehub_api_token
)

question = 'Can you still have fun'
output = llm.invoke(question)

print(output)
```

```
in the rain?
Yes, you can still have fun in the
rain! There are plenty of
```

## OpenAI (`gpt-3.5-turbo-instruct`):

```
from langchain_openai import OpenAI

llm = OpenAI(
    model="gpt-3.5-turbo-instruct",
    api_key=openai_api_key
)

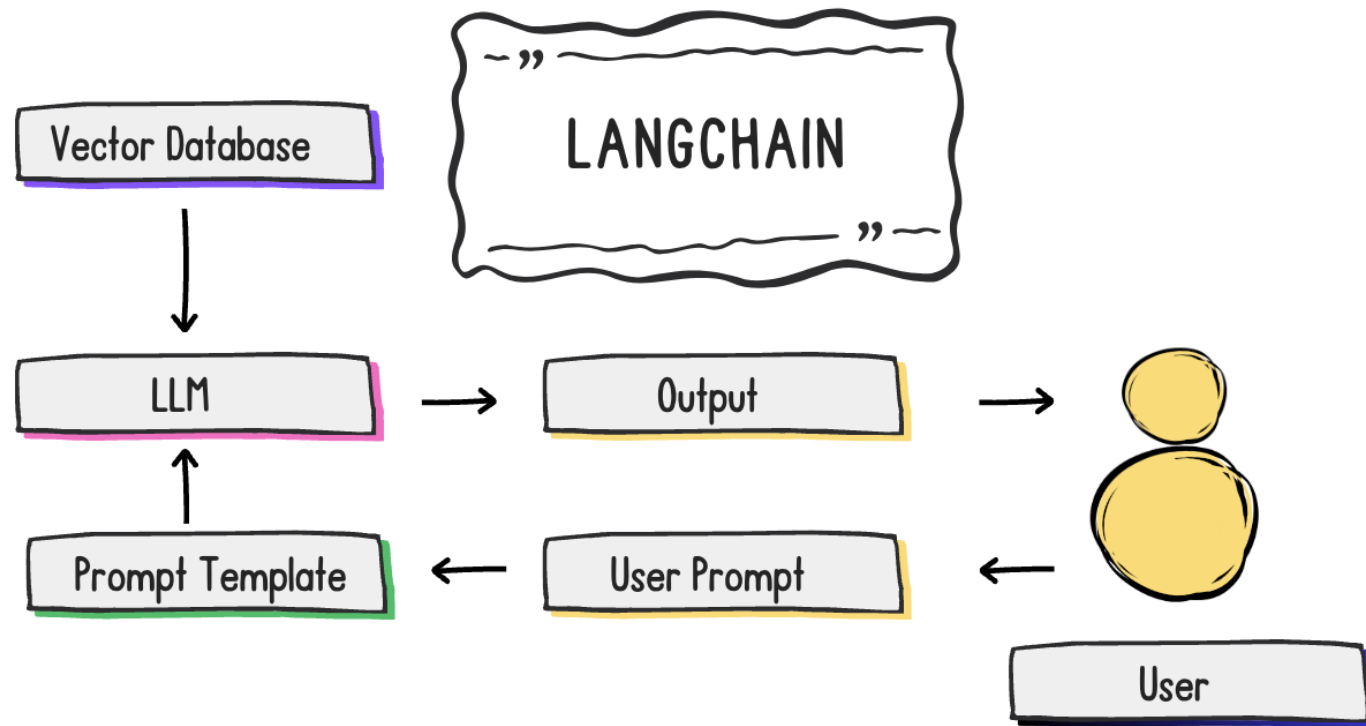
question = 'Can you still have fun'
output = llm.invoke(question)

print(output)
```

```
without spending a lot of money?

Yes, you can still have fun without
spending a lot of money. You could do
activities like hiking, biking, playing
sports, going to the beach, camping...
```

# Real-world usage



## Examples:

- Natural language conversations with documents
- Automate tasks
- Data analysis

**Note:** course uses `langchain==0.3.13`



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# Prompting strategies for chatbots

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# Finding the right model



Hugging Face is a searchable hub for chat models

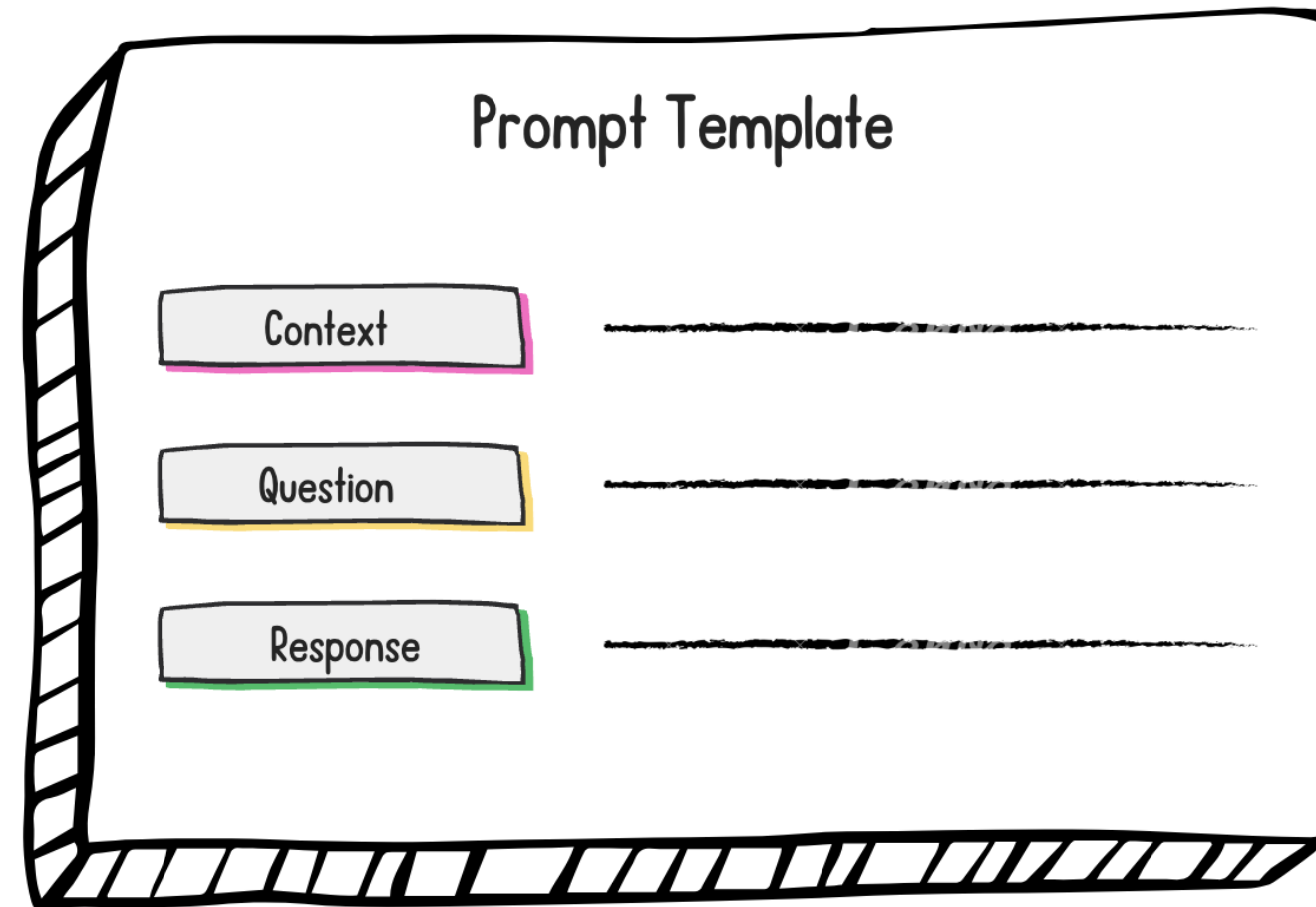
- *Fine-tuned models* for more domain-specific use cases

The screenshot shows the Hugging Face website interface. At the top, there's a search bar and navigation links for Models, Datasets, Spaces, Docs, and Solutions. Below the navigation, there are tabs for Tasks, Libraries, Datasets, Languages, Licenses, and Other. The 'Tasks' tab is selected, and a filter 'Filter Tasks by name' is visible. Under the 'Multimodal' section, various tasks are listed: Feature Extraction, Text-to-Image, Image-to-Text, Image-to-Video, Text-to-Video, Visual Question Answering, Document Question Answering, Graph Machine Learning, Text-to-3D, and Image-to-3D. Under the 'Computer Vision' section, tasks include Depth Estimation, Image Classification, Object Detection, Image Segmentation, Image-to-Image, Unconditional Image Generation, Video Classification, Zero-Shot Image Classification, Mask Generation, and Zero-Shot Object Detection. Under the 'Natural Language Processing' section, tasks include Question Answering, Summarization, Text Classification, Text Generation, Text-to-Speech, and Voice Activity Detection. On the right, a list of models is displayed, filtered by 'Question Answering'. The models listed are: deepset/roberta-base-squad2, FlagAlpha/Llama2-Chinese-7b-Chat, rsvp-ai/bertserini-bert-base-squad, bert-large-uncased-whole-word-masking-finetuned-squad, timpal01/mdeberta-v3-base-squad2, FlagAlpha/Llama2-Chinese-13b-Chat, distilbert-base-cased-distilled-squad, and MMG/bert-base-spanish-wwm-cased-finetuned-spa-squad2-es-finetuned-squad. Each model entry shows its name, task, update date, download count, and heart count.

<sup>1</sup> [https://huggingface.co/models?pipeline\\_tag=question-answering&sort=trending](https://huggingface.co/models?pipeline_tag=question-answering&sort=trending)

# Prompt templates

- Recipes for generating prompts
- *Flexible* and *modular*
- Can contain: instructions, examples, and additional context



# Prompt templates

```
from langchain_core.prompts import PromptTemplate

template = "You are an artificial intelligence assistant, answer the question. {question}"
prompt_template = PromptTemplate(template=template, input_variables=["question"])

print(prompt_template.invoke({"question": "What is LangChain?"}))
```

```
text='You are an artificial intelligence assistant, answer the question. What is LangChain?'
```

# Integrating PromptTemplate with LLMs

```
from langchain_huggingface import HuggingFaceEndpoint

llm = HuggingFaceEndpoint(repo_id='tiiuae/falcon-7b-instruct', huggingfacehub_api_token=huggingfacehub_api_token)
llm_chain = prompt_template | llm

question = "What is LangChain?"
print(llm_chain.invoke({"question": question}))
```

LangChain is an artificial intelligence language model that uses a neural network to generate human-like text

- LangChain Expression Language (LCEL)
- **Chain:** connect calls to different components

# Chat models

```
from langchain_core.prompts import ChatPromptTemplate

prompt_template = ChatPromptTemplate.from_messages(
    [
        ("system", "You are soto zen master Roshi."),
        ("human", "What is the essence of Zen?"),
        ("ai", "When you are hungry, eat. When you are tired, sleep."),
        ("human", "Respond to the question: {question}")
    ]
)
```

# Integrating ChatPromptTemplate

```
from langchain_openai import ChatOpenAI

llm = ChatOpenAI(model="gpt-4o-mini", api_key=openai_api_key)

llm_chain = prompt_template | llm
question='What is the sound of one hand clapping?'

response = llm_chain.invoke({"question": question})
print(response.content)
```

The sound of one hand clapping is not something that can be easily explained or understood through words alone. It is a question that has been pondered by Zen practitioners for centuries, and its purpose is to provoke a deeper inquiry into the nature of reality and the self. In Zen practice, we often engage...



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# Few-shot prompting

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# Limitations of standard prompt templates

- `PromptTemplate` + `ChatPromptTemplate`
- Handling small numbers of examples
- Don't scale to larger numbers
- `FewShotPromptTemplate`

```
examples = [  
    {  
        "question": "..."  
        "answer": "..."  
    },  
    ...  
]
```

# Building an example set

```
examples = [  
    {  
        "question": "Does Henry Campbell have any pets?",  
        "answer": "Henry Campbell has a dog called Pluto."  
    },  
    ...  
]
```

```
# Convert DataFrame to list of dicts  
examples = df.to_dict(orient="records")
```

# Formatting the examples

```
from langchain_core.prompts import FewShotPromptTemplate, PromptTemplate

example_prompt = PromptTemplate.from_template("Question: {question}\n{answer}")

prompt = example_prompt.invoke({"question": "What is the capital of Italy?"
                                "answer": "Rome"})

print(prompt.text)
```

```
Question: What is the capital of Italy?
Rome
```

# FewShotPromptTemplate

```
prompt_template = FewShotPromptTemplate(  
    examples=examples,  
    example_prompt=example_prompt,  
    suffix="Question: {input}",  
    input_variables=["input"]  
)
```

- `examples` : the list of dicts
- `example_prompt` : formatted template
- `suffix` : suffix to add to the input
- `input_variables`

# Invoking the few-shot prompt template

```
prompt = prompt_template.invoke({"input": "What is the name of Henry Campbell's dog?"})  
print(prompt.text)
```

```
Question: Does Henry Campbell have any pets?  
Henry Campbell has a dog called Pluto.  
...
```

```
Question: What is the name of Henry Campbell's dog?
```

# Integration with a chain

```
llm = ChatOpenAI(model="gpt-4o-mini", api_key="...")

llm_chain = prompt_template | llm
response = llm_chain.invoke({"input": "What is the name of Henry Campbell's dog?"})
print(response.content)
```

The name of Henry Campbell's dog is Pluto.



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