

### Addressing Geographical Biases in Language Models: A Practical Tutorial

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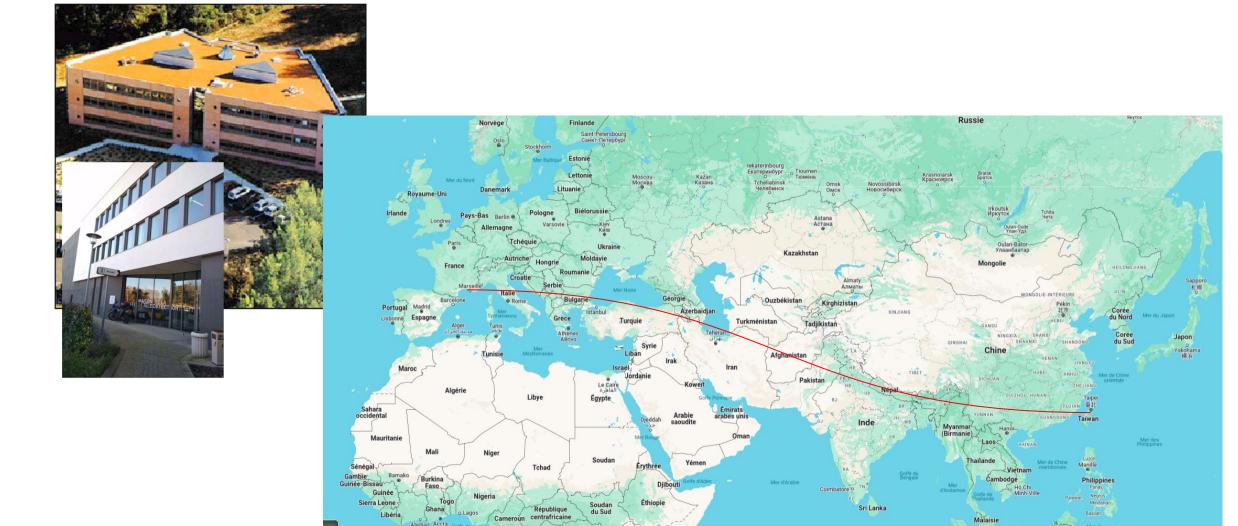


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- Interactive process
  - Running all the code together
  - Ask questions whenever you want

#### - Two steps

- Overview of Concepts
- Practical session with notebooks



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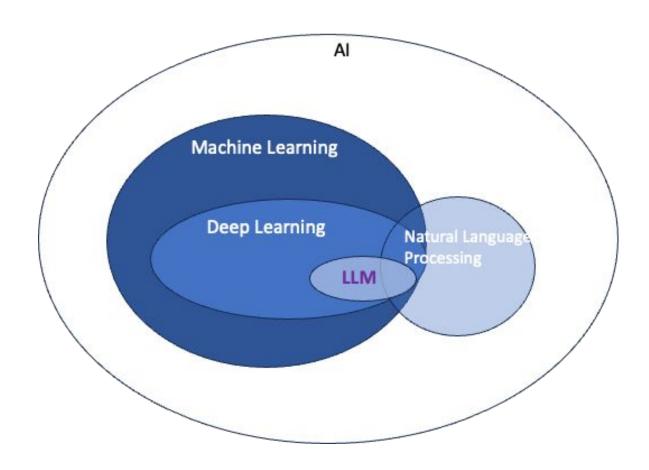
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### **Large language Model Overview**





### Large language Model Overview

#### Definition:

 LLMs are advanced artificial intelligence models pre-trained on extensive text datasets and fine-tuned for specific tasks

#### Training Process:

- They analyze vast amounts of text to understand statistical patterns between words, phrases, and sentences

#### Text Generation:

Leveraging learned relationships, LLMs generate text resembling that of their training data

LLMs have the capability to produce human-like text output, revolutionizing various applications from natural language processing to content generation



### **Large language Model - Concept Overview**

- LLMs are commonly constructed using a transformer architecture
  - Transformers are a specific type of neural network tailored for natural language processing tasks such as machine translation, text generation, and sentiment analysis
- IA generative
- Attention mechanism
- Embedding

(pre-training, fine tuning ...)



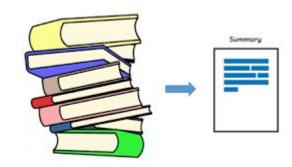


### **Large language Model in Pictures**

#### well-known NLP tasks solved by LMs:



**Text Classification** 



Text Summarization

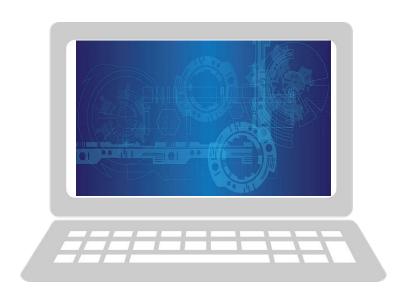


**Question Answering** 



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**IA** generative: new content generation







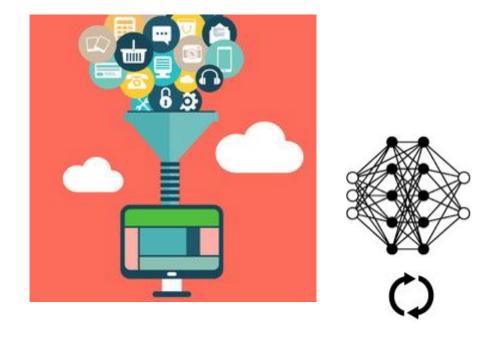
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#### **Pre-training**



Predict the next token



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#### **Attention mechanism**

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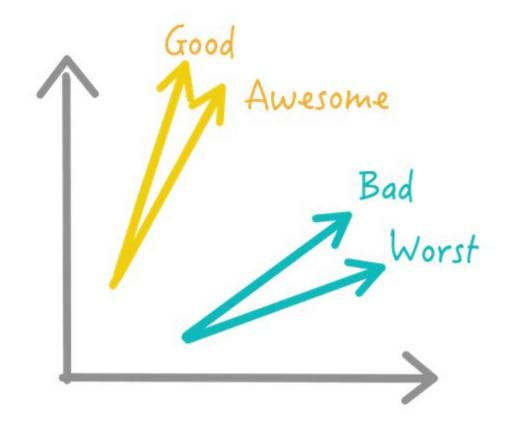
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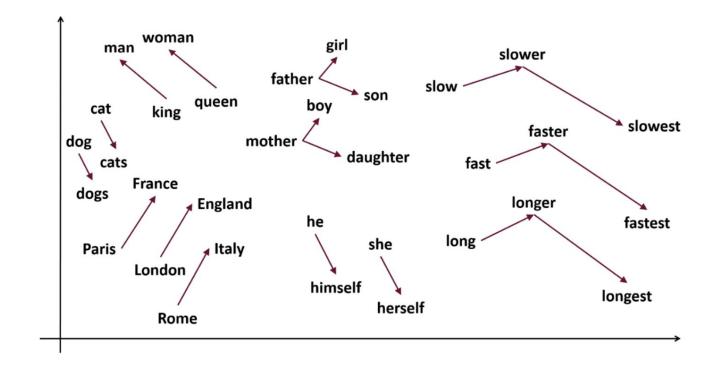
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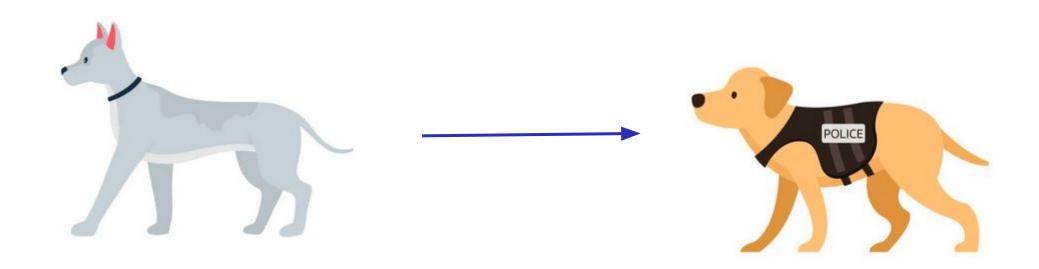
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### Fine tuning





### 5 Key Biases identified in NLP

- (1) the data
- (2) the annotation process
- (3) the input representations
- (4) the models
- (5) the research conceptualization



**Know them to better manage them** 

Five sources of bias in natural language processing - Hovy - 2021



### Geographical Knowledge

### Spatial information in text

**Spatial** 

News sources in Europe have report **Toponyms** outbreak of African swine fever in L part of the European Union. [...] A Global Post article said Lithuania Mas imposed a temporary ban on the movement of live pigs [...] Russia and Belarus have banned pork products from [...] Belaru **Terminology** which it claims was the source of the vi-

In addition, all wild boars hunted in these regions (which are close to Poland EU Commission, asking to finance a fence along Belarus' border to prevent the movement of boars. Last year the European Commission rejected Lithuania's request to pay for a fence to stop wild boars from Belarus crossing the border.

Latvia has banned the import of animal feed from Lithuania [...]

Moscow may limit food shipments from Belarus and Ukraine to Kazakhstan across Russian territory [...] In early August, Russia banned about \$9 billion worth of imports of fruit, regetables, meat, poultry, fish and dairy m the European Union [...] over the crisis in aine. "We will be talking about stopping ane transit to Kazakhstan through the borders of Belarus and Ukraine [...] Minsk has promised to prevent banned foods from being shipped onward to Russia.

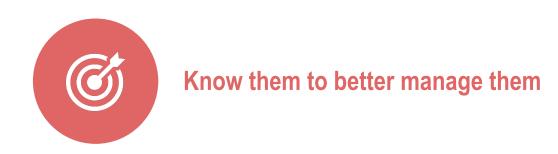
[...] Kazakh deputy national economy minister Madina Abylkasymova told reporters in Astana.

"But an introduction of some kind of restriction on the transit of products that Kazakhstan imports from the European Union is out of the question," she added.[...]



### **Which Biases for Spatial Information?**

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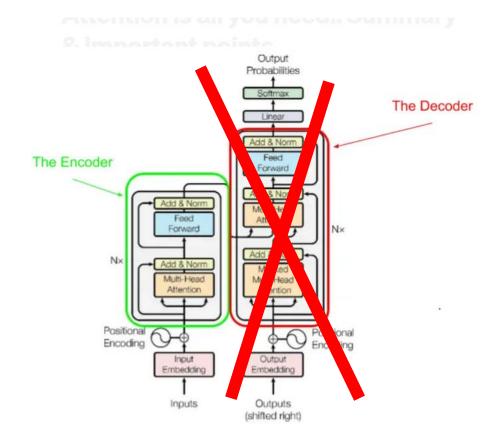
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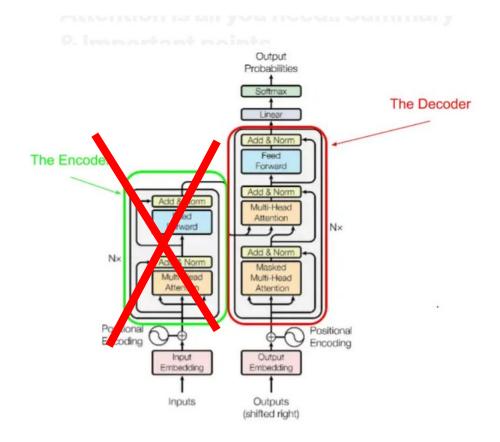
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=> But we can go further and use new trending LLMs like Llama-3 or Phi-3 or others!



# Pettis Part 2 - Experiments with LLMs

### **Spatial representation**

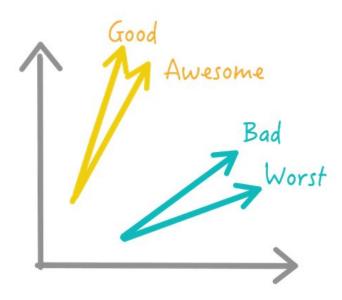
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=> Could we see correlation between semantic and geographical distances ?





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```
Does the tokenizer has to subtokens those cities:
Taipei,
Tokyo,
Seoul,
Ouagadougou,
Montpellier,
```

https://tiktokenizer.vercel.app/

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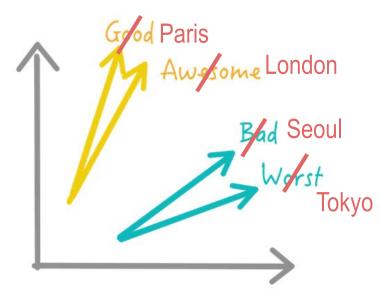


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  - Compare the average semantic distance between one capital to the others worldwide



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### **Preliminaries**

- create your account to obtain an API key for:
  - Hugging face



https://huggingface.co/

Open Al

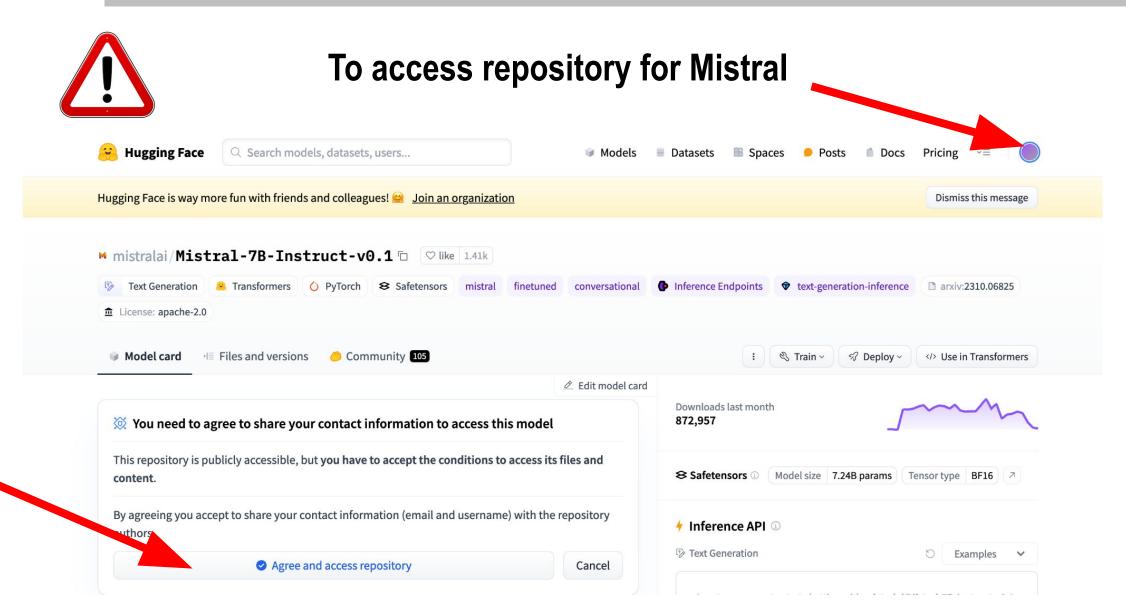


https://platform.openai.com/



Copy and keep the secret key value from OpenAl as you will not be able to access twice







### Steps to follow

Access to the github

https://github.com/tetis-nlp/geographical-biases-in-llms

- For each step, wait for the guidelines, the explanation and the questions (in blue)
- Open experiments are suggested at the end of the provide notebook



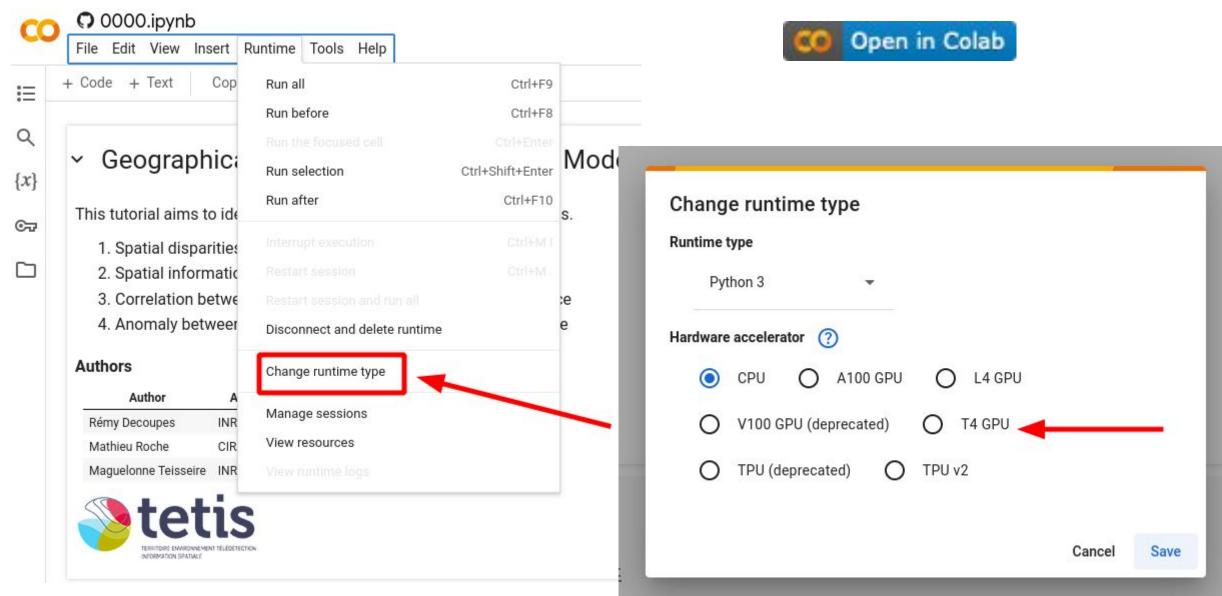
Never never use back in your google colab window



Step 1 - Up to 10 mn

- Open in Colab 1. Spatial disparities in geographical knowledge.
- 2. Spatial information coverage in training datasets. Open in Colab
- Open in Colab 3. Correlation between geographic distance and semantic distance.
- Open in Colab 4. Anomaly between geographical distance and semantic distance.







### **Step 1 - Continue**

Install Models and fill the parameters with your own API keys

```
[] # Installation
    !pip install -U bitsandbytes
    !pip install transformers==4.37.2
    !pip install -U git+https://github.com/huggingface/peft.git
    !pip install -U git+https://github.com/huggingface/accelerate.git
    !pip install openai == 0.28
```



Be patient

```
import getpass
HF_API_TOKEN = getpass.getpass(prompt="Your huggingFace API Key")
OPENAI_API_KEY = getpass.getpass(prompt="Your OpenAI API Key")
```



### **Step 1 - Continue**

- 2 different types of language models are used: Small Language Model (SLM) and Large Language Model (LLM)

How many models per category are provided?

Install the geo datasets and associated libraries

#### **Geo datasets**

Retrieve all country information needed through a python library countryinfo:

- Country Name
- Capital
- · Region / subregion
- Coordinates

[ ] !pip install countryinfo

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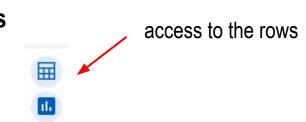


### **Step 1 - Continue**

CountryInfo

List of countries with their associated capitals

How many countries are in the dataframe?



Now ready to start with the differents models and the ground truth



### **Step 1 - Continue**

The questions are

**Q1)** From which country Taipei is the capital?

**Q2)** Same question for all capitals of the data frame

Let's start with Small Language Model (SLM)

**1.1 SLMs** 

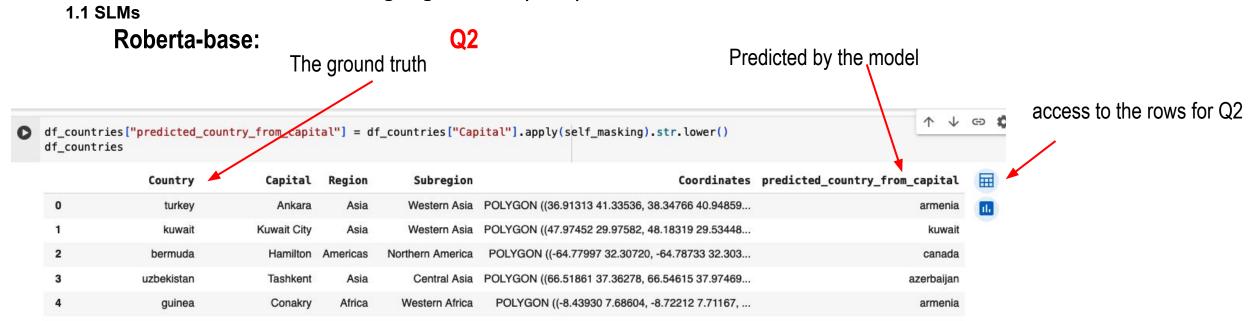
Q1 with Taipei Roberta-base:



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#### Let's start with Small Language Model (SLM) **1.1 SLMs**

Roberta-base

### See the % of good prediction per continent

```
df countries[f"correct"] = df countries['Country'] == df countries[f"predicted country from capital"]
df countries.plot("correct", cmap="RdYlGn")
```

#### Plot the results

What is your feeling about correct and incorrect results?



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#### Let's move to Local LLMs

#### 1.2 Local LLMs

- Mistral
  - Quantization phase
  - Q1 city = "Tapei"



Be patient



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#### 1.2 Local LLMs

- Mistral
  - Q2 def self masking(city):

messages = [



Be patient

access to the rows

### What is your analysis about correct and incorrect results compare to SLM?

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#### Last model with remote LLMs

#### 1.3 Remote LLMs

- OpenAi

```
- Q1<sub>Import openai</sub>
   openai.api key = OPENAI API KEY
    city = "Taipei"
   Q2 def self_masking(city):
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```

What are the specificities of remote LLMs?



### Step 2 - Up to 15 mn

- Open in Colab 1. Spatial disparities in geographical knowledge.
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### **Step 2 - Continue**

New session: Install libraries (as part of Step 1)

```
from transformers import AutoTokenizer ...
     and import pandas as pd
```



### **Step 2 - Continue**

- The questions are
- **Q1)** Is Taipei in the vocabulary of the model?
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Let's start with Small Language Model (SLM)

#### **1.1 SLMs**

Roberta-base

```
model name = "roberta-base"
tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from_pretrained('roberta-base')
print(f"Size of {model_name} vocabulary: {len(tokenizer.get_vocab())}")
tokenizer.get vocab()
```

Have a quick look to the Roberta vocabulary

How many words? What do you observe on the cutted words?



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#### **2.1.1 Example**

```
print(f"Is {city} (without uppercase) in vocab ?: {str.lower(city) in tokenizer.get_vocab() or str.lower('G' + city) in tokenizer.get_vocab()}")
print(f"Is {city} (with uppercase) in vocab ?: {city in tokenizer.get_vocab() or str('Ġ' + city) in tokenizer.get_vocab()}")
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Is the result surprising?

Try with another capital (London)



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#### 2.1.2 Worldwide



Plot the results



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#### Let's move to Local LLMs

#### 2.2 Local LLMs

Mistral

```
model_name = "mistralai/Mistral-7B-Instruct-v0.1"
tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from_pretrained(model_name, token=HF_API_TOKEN)
print(f"Size of {model_name} vocabulary: {len(tokenizer.get_vocab())}")
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What is your analysis per continent? Compare to SLM?

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Mistral

#### 2.2.2 Worldwide

```
Q2) df_countries["in_vocab"] = df_countries["Capital"].apply(in_vocab)
     accuracy_by_continent = df_countries.groupby('Region')[f"in vocab"].mean() * 100
     accuracy by continent
                                                                                  access to the rows
     Take time to explore the results
     df countries.plot("in vocab", cmap="RdYlGn")
```

Plot the results



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#### Last model with remote LLMs

2.3 Remote LLMs

```
!pip install tiktoken
!pip install openai
```

#### 2.3.1 Example

```
Q1) city = "Taipei"
     tokenizer.encode(city)
```

What's happened?

Try with London, what is the difference? (in terms of number of token)

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### Last model with remote LLMs

2.3 Remote LLMs

#### 2.3.2 Worldwide

```
Q2) df countries["in_vocab"] = df_countries["Capital"].apply(in_vocab)
     accuracy by continent = df countries.groupby('Region')[f"in vocab"].mean() * 100
     accuracy by continent
```

#### Take time to explore the results per continent

```
df countries.plot("in vocab", cmap="RdYlGn")
```

What is your analysis per continent? Compare to SLM and local LLM?

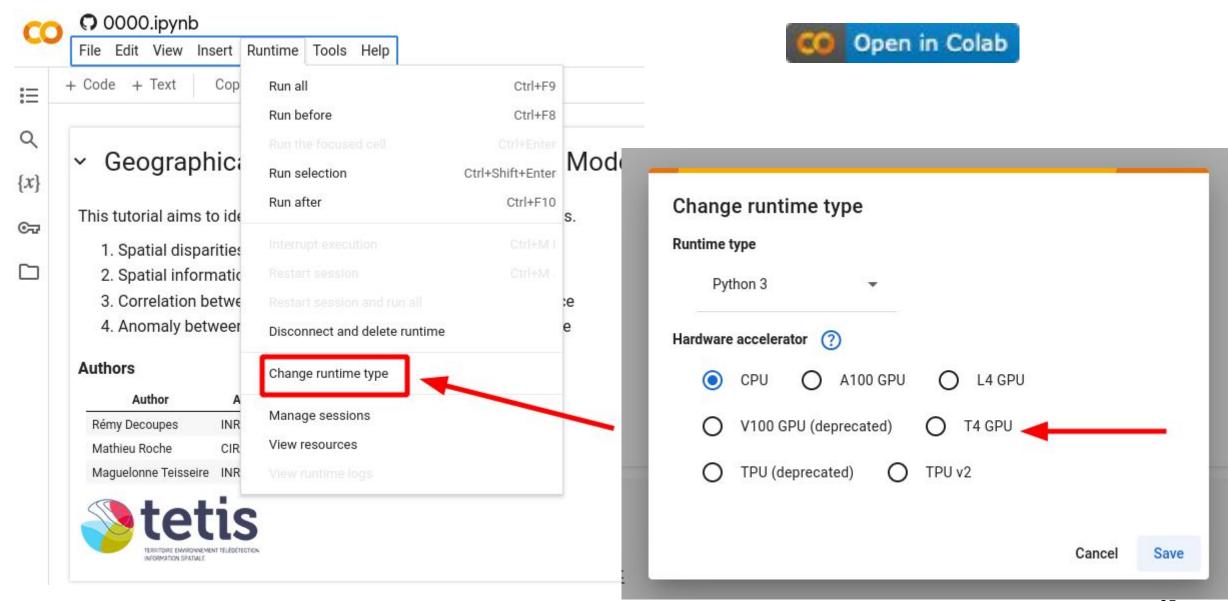
#### Plot the results



### Step 3 - Up to 15 mn

- Open in Colab 1. Spatial disparities in geographical knowledge.
- 2. Spatial information coverage in training datasets. Open in Colab
- Open in Colab 3. Correlation between geographic distance and semantic distance.
- Open in Colab 4. Anomaly between geographical distance and semantic distance.







### **Step 3 - Continue**

New session: Install libraries (as part of Step 1)

```
!pip install transformers==4.37.2
from transformers import AutoTokenizer, AutoModelForCausalLM, AutoModel ...
```

#### and Captials coordinates

from geopy.geocoders import Nominatim from shapely.geometry import Point



Be patient



### **Step 3 - Continue**



df countries.plot(ax=ax, color="red")

See the plot of capitals



### **Step 3 - Continue**

#### The questions are

- Q1) Similarity distance of word embedding representation between Taipei and 5 other cities
- **Q2)** Same question for all pairs of capital of the data frame
- Roberta-base

#### 3.1.1 Example

```
def word embedding(input text):
try:
```

#### See the embedding of Taipei

```
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine similarity
from geopy.distance import geodesic
```

Take time to compare the two measures (cosinus and geodistance), are they correlated?



### **Step 3 - Continue**

The questions are

- Q1) Similarity distance of word embedding representation between Taipei and 5 other cities
- **Q2)** Same question for all pairs of capital of the data frame
- Roberta-base

#### 3.1.2 Worldwide

```
Q2) def compute_geo_distance(df):
     coordinates = df["capital coordinates"].tolist()
     num city = len(coordinates)
```

Explore the plot, do you see any correlation?

Let's see per continent

Explore the plots, do you see better correlation?



### **Step 3 - Continue**

- Q1) Similarity distance of word embedding representation between Taipei and 5 other cities
- Q2) Same question for all pairs of capital of the data frame

### Same experiments with Local LLMs 3.2 Local LLMs

#### **Mistral**

tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from pretrained("mistralai/Mistral-7B-Instruct-v0.1", token=HF API TOKEN) model = AutoModel.from pretrained("mistralai/Mistral-7B-Instruct-v0.1", token=HF API TOKEN)



### **Step 3 - Continue**

- Q1) Similarity distance of word embedding representation between Taipei and 5 other cities
- Q2) Same question for all pairs of capital of the data frame

#### 3.2 Local LLMs

#### **3.2.1 Example**

```
def word embedding(input text):
try:
      input ids = tokenizer.encode(input text, return tensors="pt")
     with torch.no grad():
```

#### See the embedding of Taipei

```
def word embedding(input text):
           input ids = tokenizer.encode(input text, return tensors="pt") with torch.no grad():...
```

Take time to see the embeddings and compare the cosinus similarity with SLM, what do you constat?

Have a look to the dimension of the embedding



### **Step 3 - Continue**

- Q1) Similarity distance of word embedding representation between Taipei and 5 other cities
- Q2) Same question for all pairs of capital of the data frame

#### 3.2 Local LLMs

#### 3.2.2 Worldwide

```
Q2) df_countries["capital_embedding_tensor"] = df_countries["Capital"].apply(word_embedding)
```

Let's see per continent

Explore the plots, do you see better correlations?



# tetis Part 4 - Practical Session

### **Step 3 - Continue**

The questions are

Q1) Similarity distance of word embedding representation between Taipei and 5 other cities

**Q2)** Same question for all pairs of capital of the data frame

#### Last model with remote LLMs 3.3 Remote LLMs

import openai from langchain.embeddings import OpenAIEmbeddings



# tetis Part 4 - Practical Session

### **Step 3 - Continue**

The questions are

Q1) Similarity distance of word embedding representation between Taipei and 5 other cities

Q2) Same question for all pairs of capital of the data frame

#### Last model with remote LLMs

#### **3.3.1 Example**

```
Q1) def word_embedding(input_text):
     return np.array(model.embed documents([input text])[0])
```

Take time to see the embeddings

and compare the cosinus similarity with SLM and local LLM, what do you constat?

Have a look to the dimension of the embedding



### **Step 3 - Continue**

The questions are

Q1) Similarity distance of word embedding representation between Taipei and 5 other cities

Q2) Same question for all pairs of capital of the data frame

#### Last model with remote LLMs

#### 3.3.2 Worldwide

```
Q2) for region in df_countries["Region"].unique():
       print(region)
            df = df countries[df countries["Region"] == region]
```

Let's see per continent

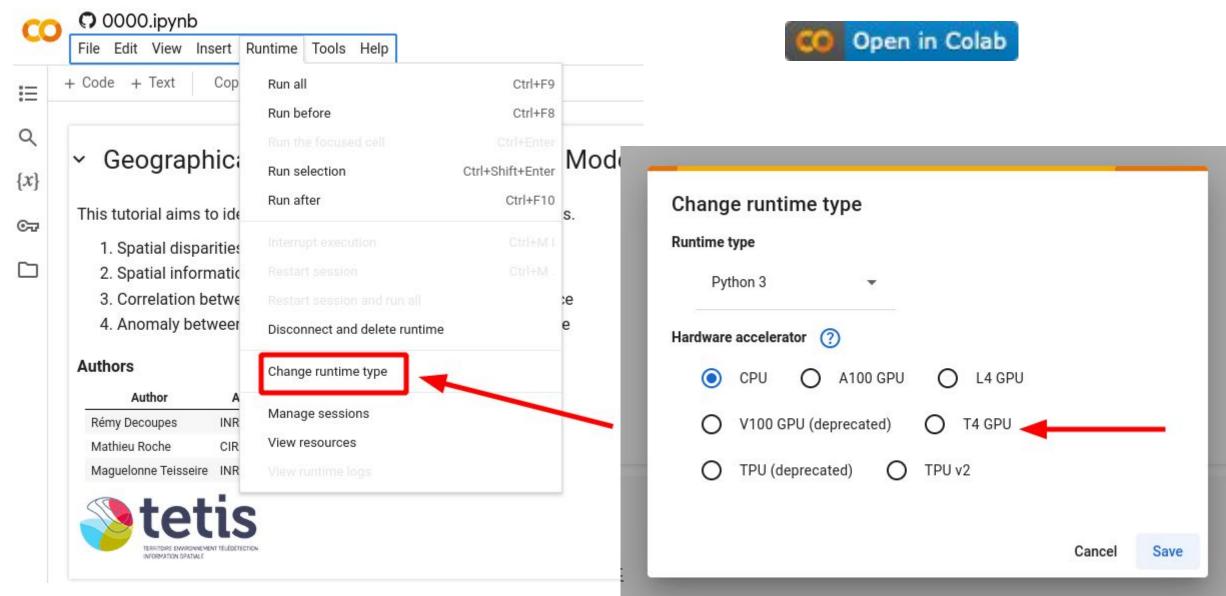
Explore the plots, do you see better correlations?



### Step 4 - Up to 10 mn

- 1. Spatial disparities in geographical knowledge.
- 2. Spatial information coverage in training datasets. Open in Colab
- Open in Colab 3. Correlation between geographic distance and semantic distance.
- 4. Anomaly between geographical distance and semantic distance. Open in Colab







## **Step 4 - Continue**

- New session: Install libraries (as part of Step 1) !pip install countryinfo ...



## **Step 4 - Continue**

The question is Q1) What the average semantic distance between one capital to the others worldwide

Ms and Local	LLN	<i>l</i> ls						
average_semantic_dis	tance	Country	Region	Subregion	Coordinates	capital_embedding_tensor	capital_embedding	
0.0	080545	macau	Asia	Eastern Asia	None	[tensor(-0.0539), tensor(0.0910), tensor(-0.01	[-0.05388526, 0.09104285, -0.01820982, -0.1035	11
0.0	080545	heard island and mcdonald islands			None	[tensor(-0.0539), tensor(0.0910), tensor(-0.01	[-0.05388526, 0.09104285, -0.01820982, -0.1035	
0.0	080545	macau	Asia	Eastern Asia	None	[tensor(-0.0539), tensor(0.0910), tensor(-0.01	[-0.05388526, 0.09104285, -0.01820982, -0.1035	
0.0	080545	heard island and mcdonald islands			None	[tensor(-0.0539), tensor(0.0910), tensor(-0.01	[-0.05388526, 0.09104285, -0.01820982, -0.1035	
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Explore the cities and the associated average distance to the others

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

See the plot



## Pettis Part 4 - Practical Session

## **Step 4 - Continue**

The question is Q1) What the average semantic distance between one capital to the others worldwide

#### 4.2 Remote LLMs

									access to the rows
	average_semantic_distance	Country	Region	Subregion	Coordinates	capital_embedding_tensor	capital_embedding		
	0.291749	macau	Asia	Eastern Asia	None	[tensor(-0.0539), tensor(0.0910), tensor(-0.01	[0.0015624701186355266, -0.01700555921035143,		
	0.291749	heard island and mcdonald islands			None	[tensor(-0.0539), tensor(0.0910), tensor(-0.01	[0.0015624701186355266, -0.01700555921035143,		
	0.291749	macau	Asia	Eastern Asia	None	[tensor(-0.0539), tensor(0.0910), tensor(-0.01	[0.0015624701186355266, -0.01700555921035143,		
	0.291749	heard island and mcdonald islands			None	[tensor(-0.0539), tensor(0.0910), tensor(-0.01	[0.0015624701186355266, -0.01700555921035143,		
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Explore the cities and the associated average distance to the others - compare with SLM and Local LLM

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

See the plot compare to SLM and local LLM



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## Evaluation of Geographical Distortions in Language Models: A Crucial Step Towards Equitable Representations

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Language models now constitute essential tools for improving efficiency for many professional tasks such as writing, coding, or learning. For this reason, it is imperative to identify inherent biases. In the field of Natural Language Processing, five sources of bias are well-identified: data, annotation, representation, models, and research design. This study focuses on biases related to geographical knowledge. We explore the connection between geography and language models by highlighting their tendency to misrepresent spatial information, thus leading to distortions in the representation of geographical distances. This study introduces four indicators to assess these distortions, by comparing geographical and semantic distances. Experiments are conducted from these four indicators with ten widely used language models. Results underscore the critical necessity of inspecting and rectifying spatial biases in language models to ensure accurate and equitable representations.

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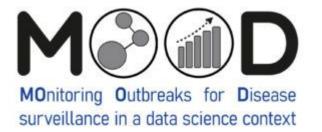
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