

LLMs as Tools

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Foundations of Software Engineering

<https://cmu-313.github.io>

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Administrivia

P4 Checkpoint 1 moved to Thursday

LLMs as Tools

Developers are using LLMs as a part of their workflow to generate code

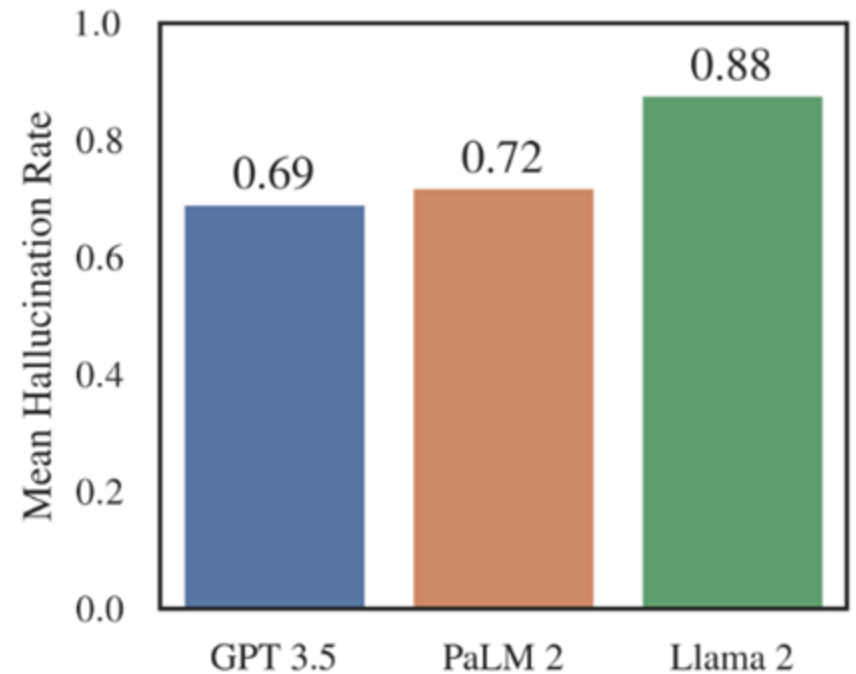
They can do a lot, but not everything

Is an LLM right for your
problem?

The Stochastic parrot

LLMs still struggle with large context windows and detail oriented spaces even with it's many techniques to improve performance in those areas

- “Chat-GPT Lawyer”: lawyer who submitted a legal report largely created by Chat-GPT
 - responses described as filled with “bogus judicial decisions , bogus quotes, and bogus internal citations.”
- Example of a larger problem of hallucinations in detail oriented tasks



Legal hallucination rates across three popular LLMs.

Challenges with LLMS?

Today's Activity

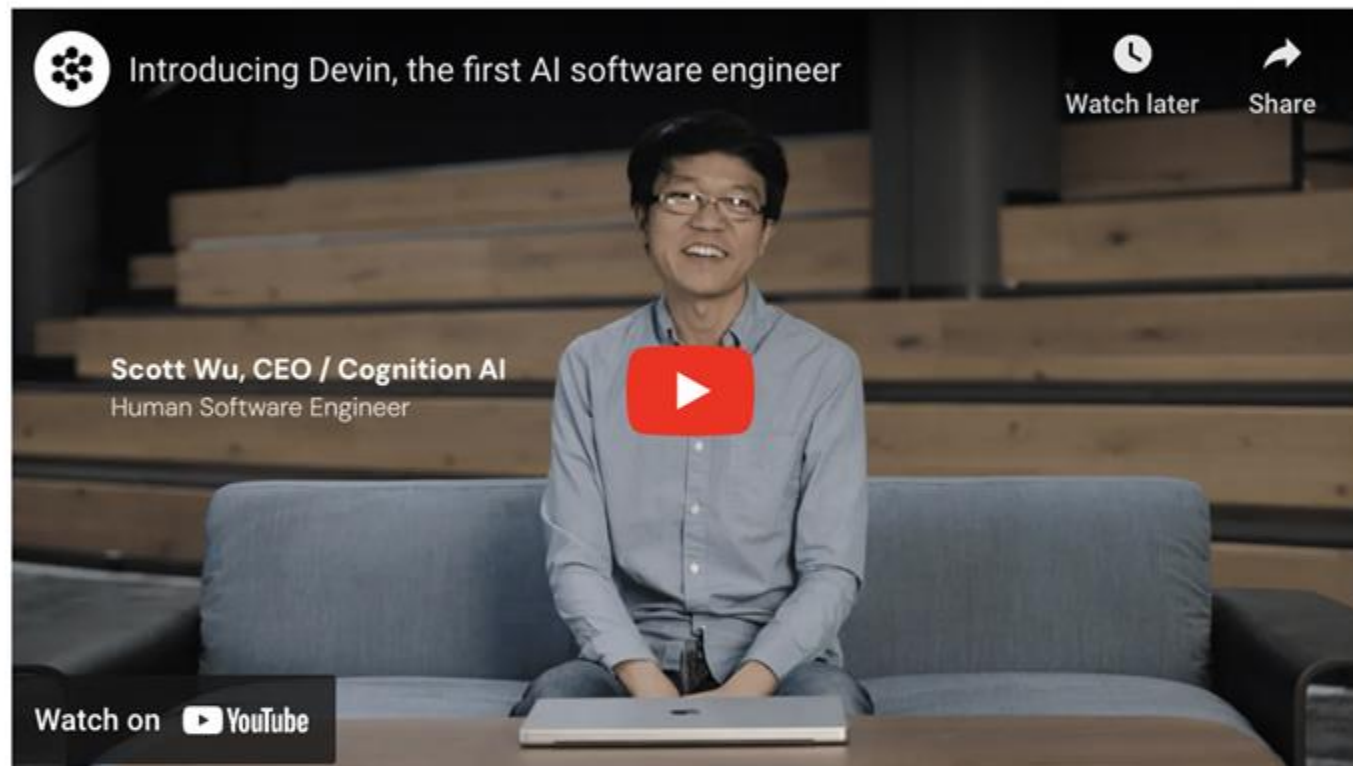
Fill out Survey

Demo

Activity

Final Survey

Discussion



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Introducing Devin, the first AI software engineer

And setting a new state of the art on the SWE-bench coding benchmark



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Machine Learning Researcher

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Software Engineer

Engineering • New York City or San Francisco Bay Area • Full time

General

General Application

General • New York City or San Francisco Bay Area • Full time