

ECE7115 ~~Multimodal VLM~~ LLM

11. Evaluation

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What is "Good"?

- So far, we've covered everything for training an LLM
 - Architecture, training, systems, scaling, etc
- Missing piece: what data do you train on?
 - Data shapes model behavior (code? multilingual? DNA?)
- Before talking about data,
 - we need to think about **what behavior we want from a model!**
- **Evaluation: given a model, how "good" is it?**

What is "Good"?

Maybe a model is good if it does well on benchmarks

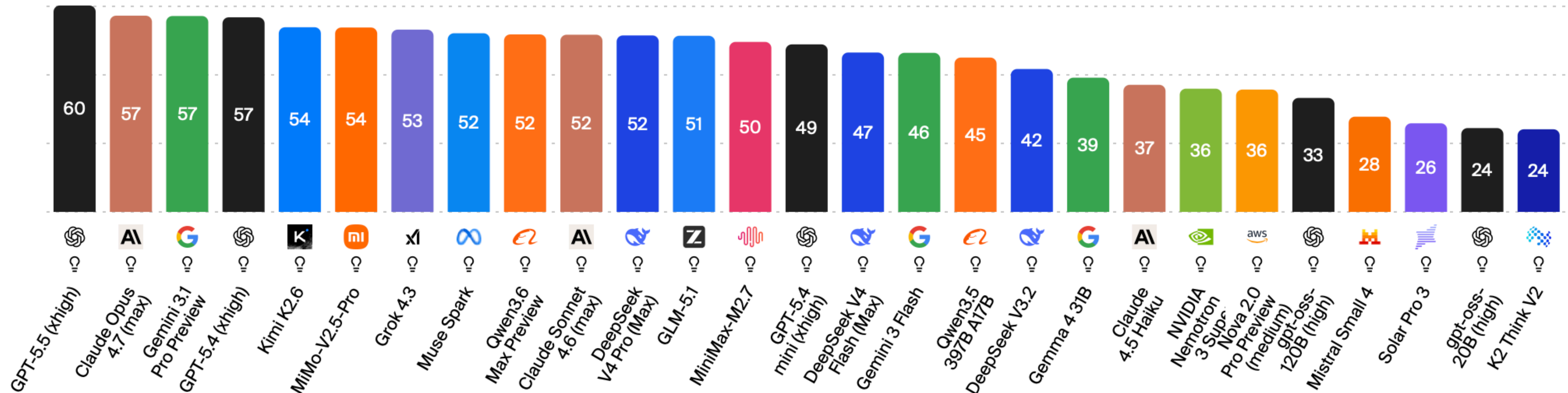
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Artificial Analysis



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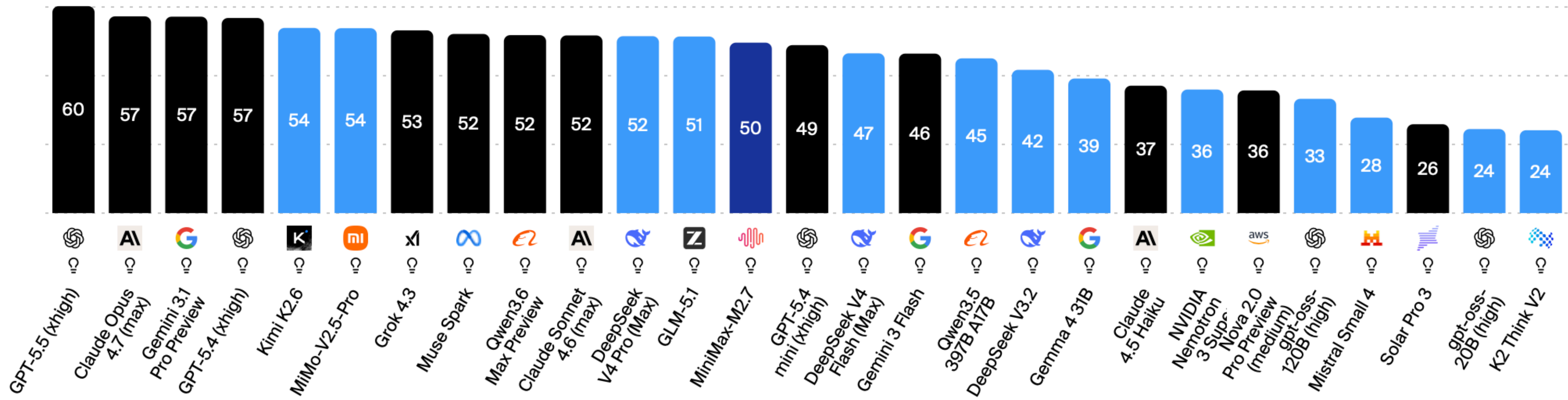
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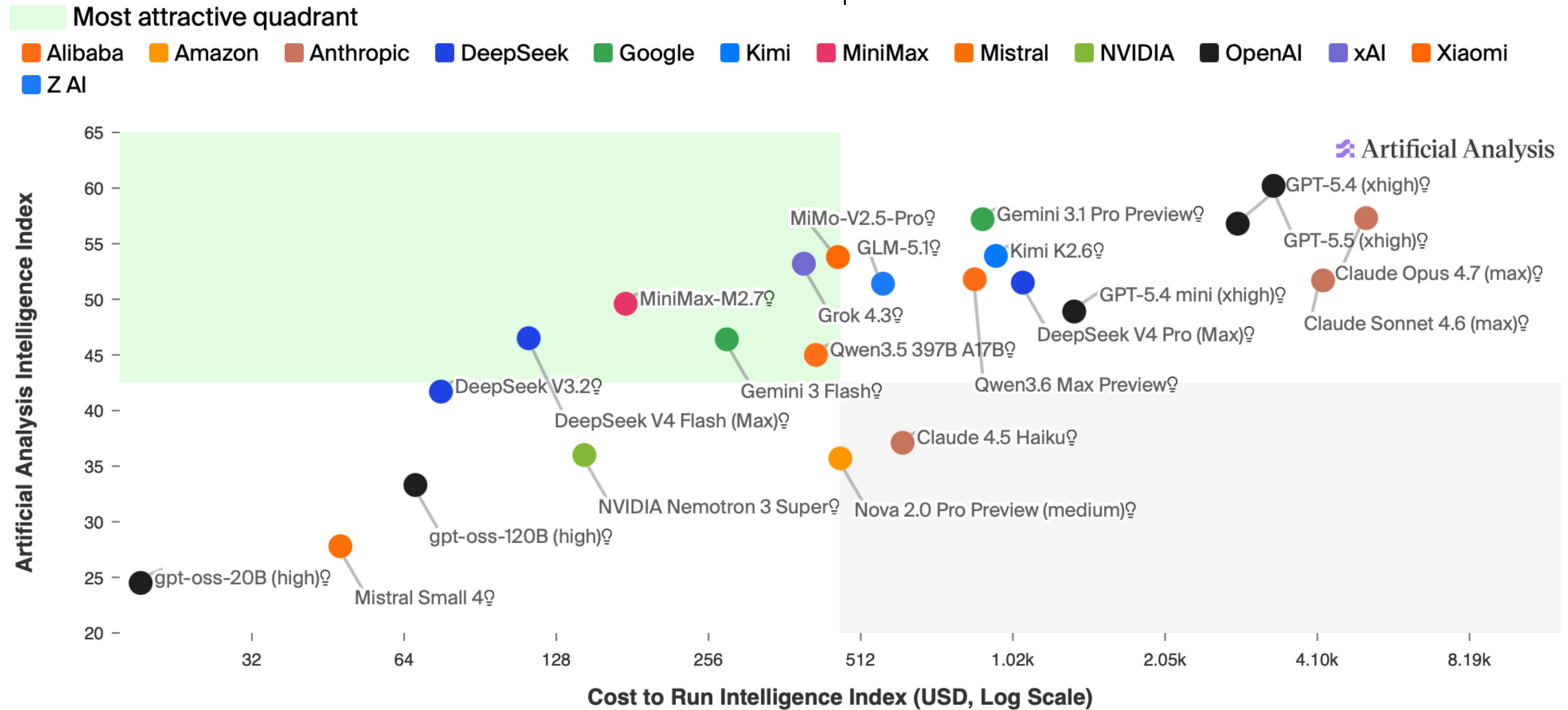
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What is "Good"?

Maybe a model is good if it does well on benchmarks and is cheap to run



What is "Good"?

Maybe a model is good if people prefer its responses

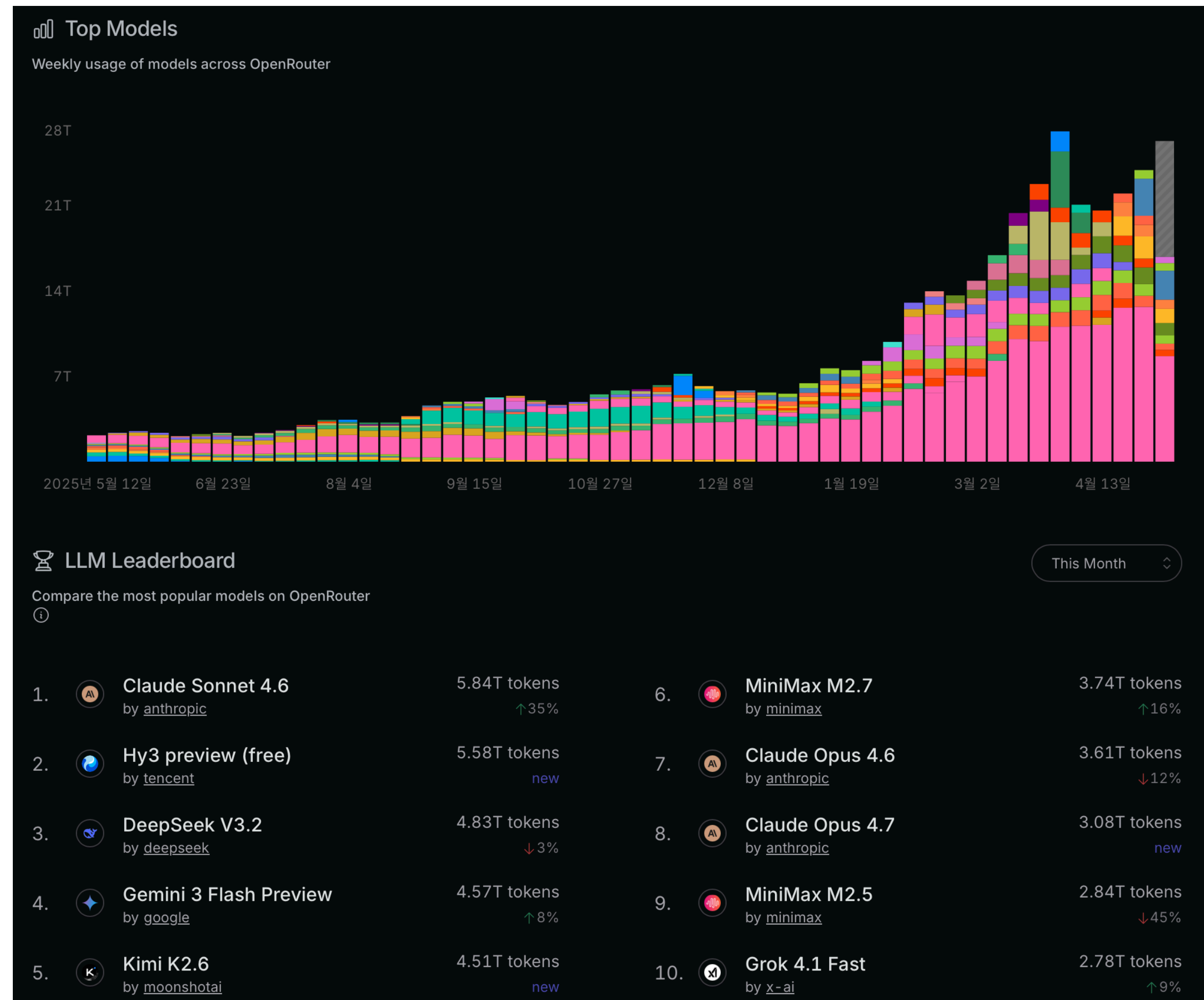
The screenshot displays two side-by-side leaderboards from the AI Arena website. The left leaderboard is for the 'Text' category, and the right is for 'WebDev'. Both are updated 18 hours ago. Each table lists the top 10 models with their rank, name, and score. The 'Text' category shows 'claude-opus-4-7-thinking' as the top performer with a score of 1503. The 'WebDev' category shows 'claude-opus-4-7-thinking' as the top performer with a score of 1570. Other notable models include 'gemini-3.1-pro-preview', 'gpt-5.5-high', and 'muse-spark'.

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2	AI claude-opus-4-6-thinking	1502
3	AI claude-opus-4-6	1498
4	G gemini-3.1-pro-preview	1492
5	AI claude-opus-4-7	1491
6	∞ muse-spark	1490 ⓘ
7	G gemini-3-pro	1486
8	🌀 gpt-5.5-high	1484
9	XI grok-4.20-beta1	1480
10	🌀 gpt-5.2-chat-latest-202602...	1477

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4	AI claude-opus-4-6	1544
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10	AI claude-opus-4-5-20251101-t...	1490

What is "Good"?

Maybe a model is good if people simply choose to use (and pay for) it



What is "Good"?

- Evaluation might appear to be a mechanical process:
 - 1. Define some evaluation prompts
 - 2. Send prompts to a model and get back responses
 - 3. Compute accuracy
- But actually, evaluation is a deep and important topic...
 - which shapes the development of AI
 - Core challenge: abstract construct → concrete metric

Lecture Overview

- Perplexity
 - Exam Benchmark
 - Chat Benchmark
 - Agentic Benchmark
 - Reasoning Benchmark
 - Safety Benchmark
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- Benchmark Realism
 - Benchmark Validity
 - Discussion

Likelihood

- Recall that LM is a probability distribution $p(x)$ over sequences of tokens

- Log-likelihood** $LL(\mathcal{X}_{\text{test}}) = \sum_{X \in \mathcal{X}_{\text{test}}} \log P(X)$

- Per-word log-likelihood** $WLL(\mathcal{X}_{\text{test}}) = \frac{1}{\sum_{X \in \mathcal{X}_{\text{test}}} |X|} \sum_{X \in \mathcal{X}_{\text{test}}} \log P(X)$
 - Normalize LL wrt sentence length
 - e.g. if the model shows $WLL = -4$,
it produces exact output at $\exp(-4) = 1.83\%$

Likelihood

$$LL(\mathcal{X}_{\text{test}}) = \sum_{X \in \mathcal{X}_{\text{test}}} \log P(X)$$

- Example: given (a, b, c) the probs. of next tokens are:

	Model A	Model B
a	0.01	0.24
b	0.04	0.25
c	0.05	0.25
d	0.90	0.26

- If we calculate probs. of sentence "abcd" in the test dataset:

$$L(a, b, c, d) = P(a|\text{start})P(b|a)P(c|a, b)P(d|a, b, c)$$

- For $P(d|a, b, c)$, the probs. of Model A is 0.90, while Model B is 0.26

Perplexity

$$PPL(\mathcal{X}_{\text{test}}) = e^{-WLL(\mathcal{X}_{\text{test}})}$$

- The inverse of the avg. probability of predicting the next word correctly
 - It indicates **how uncertain** the model is
 - e.g. if $WLL = -4$, PPL is $\exp(4) = 54$
 - It means that the accuracy in predicting next token is same as selecting one token out of around 54 candidates

When a dog sees a squirrel it will usually ____

Token: ' be' - Probability: 0.0352	→ PPL= 28.4
Token: ' jump' - Probability: 0.0338	→ PPL= 29.6
Token: ' start' - Probability: 0.0289	→ PPL= 34.6
Token: ' run' - Probability: 0.0277	→ PPL= 36.1
Token: ' try' - Probability: 0.0219	→ PPL= 45.7

Perplexity

- Pretraining = minimize perplexity on the training set
 - Then, the natural evaluation is test-set perplexity
 - Lower is better (the model predicts the data well)
- Standard (and traditional) datasets
 - Penn Treebank (WSJ)
 - WikiText-103 (Wikipedia)
 - One Billion Word Benchmark
- Classic paradigm was in-distribution evaluation
 - Train on train split and evaluate on test split of some dataset

Perplexity

- GPT-2 is trained on WebText (400GB, websites linked from Reddit)
- They did zero-shot (OOD) evaluation against standard datasets

Language Models are Unsupervised Multitask Learners

	LAMBADA (PPL)	LAMBADA (ACC)	CBT-CN (ACC)	CBT-NE (ACC)	WikiText2 (PPL)	PTB (PPL)	enwik8 (BPB)	text8 (BPC)	WikiText103 (PPL)	1BW (PPL)
SOTA	99.8	59.23	85.7	82.3	39.14	46.54	0.99	1.08	18.3	21.8
117M	35.13	45.99	87.65	83.4	29.41	65.85	1.16	1.17	37.50	75.20
345M	15.60	55.48	92.35	87.1	22.76	47.33	1.01	1.06	26.37	55.72
762M	10.87	60.12	93.45	88.0	19.93	40.31	0.97	1.02	22.05	44.575
1542M	8.63	63.24	93.30	89.05	18.34	35.76	0.93	0.98	17.48	42.16

- Works better on small datasets (PTB) but not larger datasets (1BW)
- After GPT-2/GPT-3, LLM evaluation shifts toward **downstream task accuracy**

Perplexity

- But why we still use perplexity?
 - Provides a smoother curve → suitable for fitting scaling laws
 - It's an universal metric; it's what the model trained on
- Another view is perplexity maximalist view
 - Assume that t is a true distribution and p is a model distribution
 - Optimal perplexity $H(t)$ reached when $p = t$
 - We can solve any task with a model that have $H(t)$
 - In this view, decreasing perplexity is a path toward AGI... 😊
 - But very inefficient since the model also should learn unimportant parts of the distribution

Exam Benchmarks

- Exams are a useful way to test language models (as with humans)
 - Have control over the subject and difficulty
 - Design to have unambiguous correct answer, easy to grade
- MMLU
- MMLU-Pro
- GPQA
- HLE
- ...

MMLU [Hendrycks+ 2020]

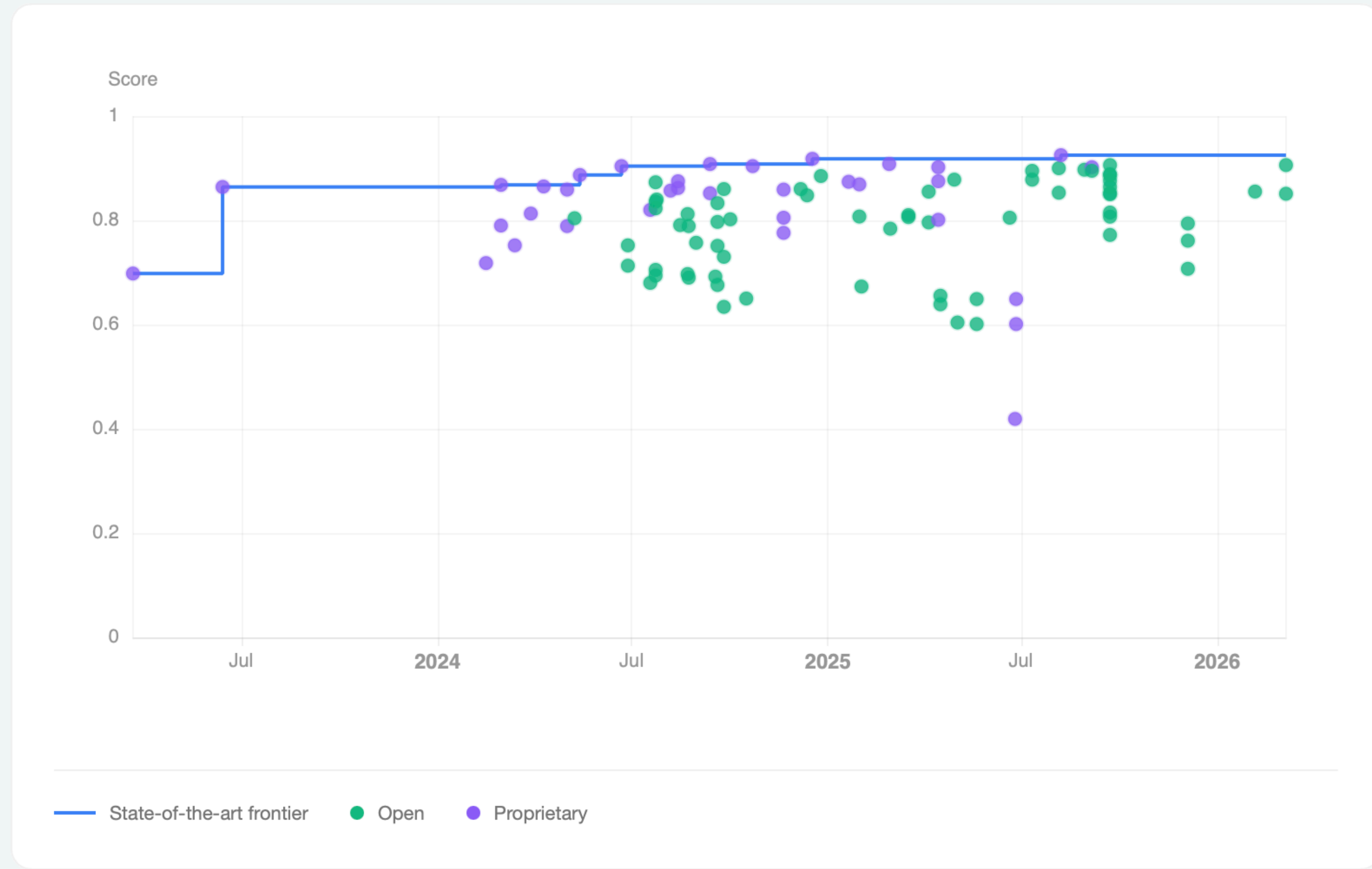
- MMLU (Massive Multitask Language Understanding)
 - 57 subjects (mathematics, US history, law, ethics, etc.)
 - 4-choice multiple choice
- "Collected by graduate and undergraduate students from freely available sources online"
- Evaluated with few-shot prompting in GPT-3
- In effect a knowledge test (not a language understanding test)

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Progress Over Time

Interactive timeline showing model performance evolution on MMLU



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Microeconomics	One of the reasons that the government discourages and regulates monopolies is that	
	(A) producer surplus is lost and consumer surplus is gained.	✗
	(B) monopoly prices ensure productive efficiency but cost society allocative efficiency.	✗
	(C) monopoly firms do not engage in significant research and development.	✗
	(D) consumer surplus is lost with higher prices and lower levels of output.	✓

Figure 3: Examples from the Microeconomics task.

Conceptual Physics	When you drop a ball from rest it accelerates downward at 9.8 m/s^2 . If you instead throw it downward assuming no air resistance its acceleration immediately after leaving your hand is	
	(A) 9.8 m/s^2	✓
	(B) more than 9.8 m/s^2	✗
	(C) less than 9.8 m/s^2	✗
	(D) Cannot say unless the speed of throw is given.	✗

College Mathematics	In the complex z -plane, the set of points satisfying the equation $z^2 = z ^2$ is a	
	(A) pair of points	✗
	(B) circle	✗
	(C) half-line	✗
	(D) line	✓

Figure 4: Examples from the Conceptual Physics and College Mathematics STEM tasks.

MMLU-Pro [Wang+ 2024]

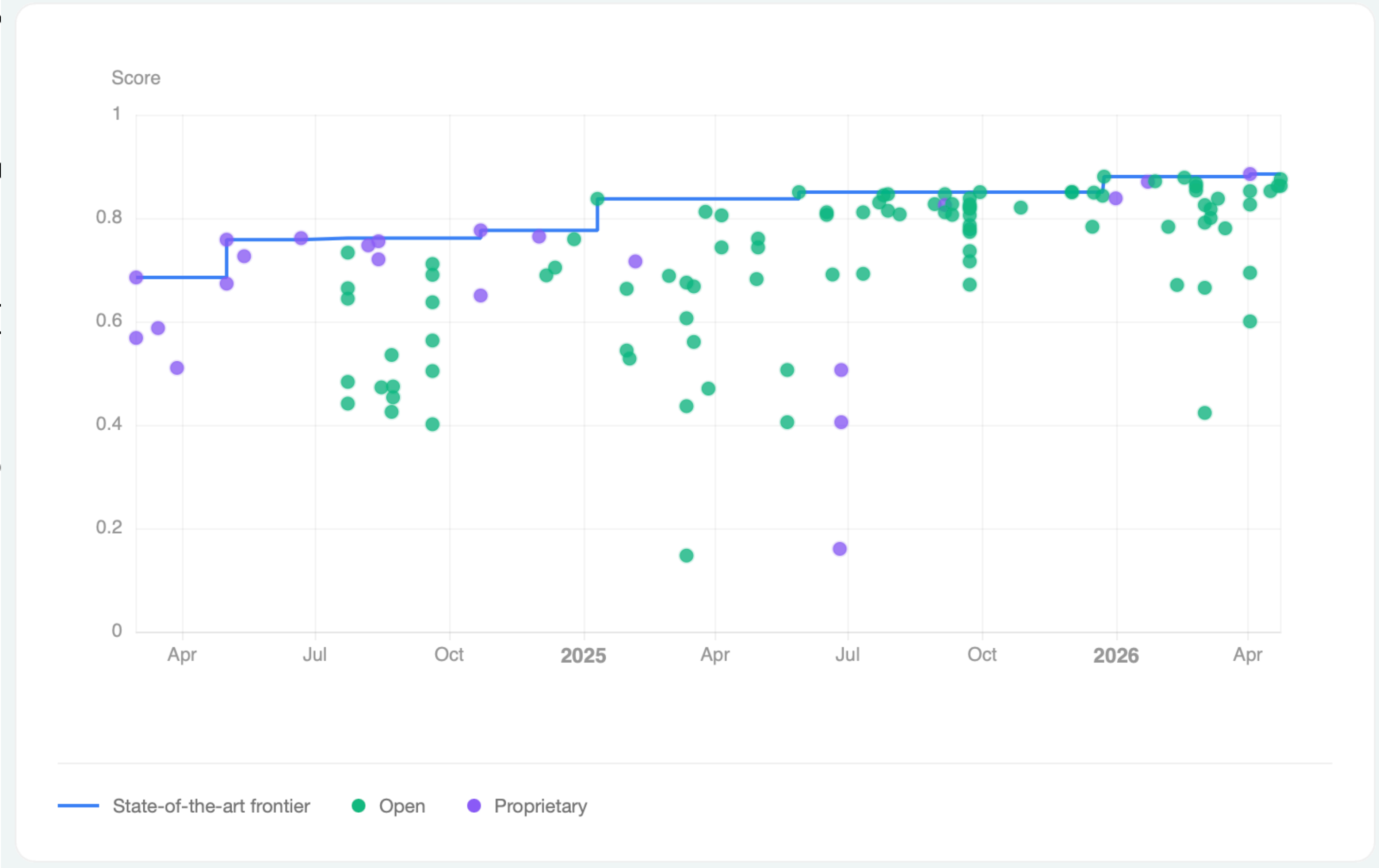
- An improved version of MMLU
- Changes
 - Remove noisy / trivial questions
 - 4 → 10 answer choices (harder discrimination)
 - Chain-of-thought evaluation (favors models)
- Result: accuracy drops 16-33%

MMLU

Progress Over Time

Interactive timeline showing model performance evolution on MMLU-Pro

- An improv
- Changes
 - Remov
 - 4 → 10 a
 - Chain-c
- Result: ac



MMLU-Pro [Wang+ 2024]

Question ID: 4138
Category: Chemistry

Question:

The gypsy moth produces a natural attractant, $C_{18}H_{34}O_3$. If a female moth is trapped behind a cellophane screen containing a pinhole and the carbon dioxide she produces diffuses through the pinhole at the rate of 1 millimicromole per 90 seconds, what quantity of attractant will diffuse through the orifice in the same amount of time (90 seconds)?

Options:

A. 0.25 millimicromoles B. 0.45 millimicromoles C. 0.40 millimicromoles D. 0.48 millimicromoles E. 0.42 millimicromoles
F. 0.30 millimicromoles G. 0.35 millimicromoles H. 0.34 millimicromoles I. 0.38 millimicromoles J. 0.50 millimicromoles

Answer: I

Model Predict: B

Question ID: 11236
Category: Philosophy

Question:

In Singer's understanding, the principle of the equality of human beings is

Options:

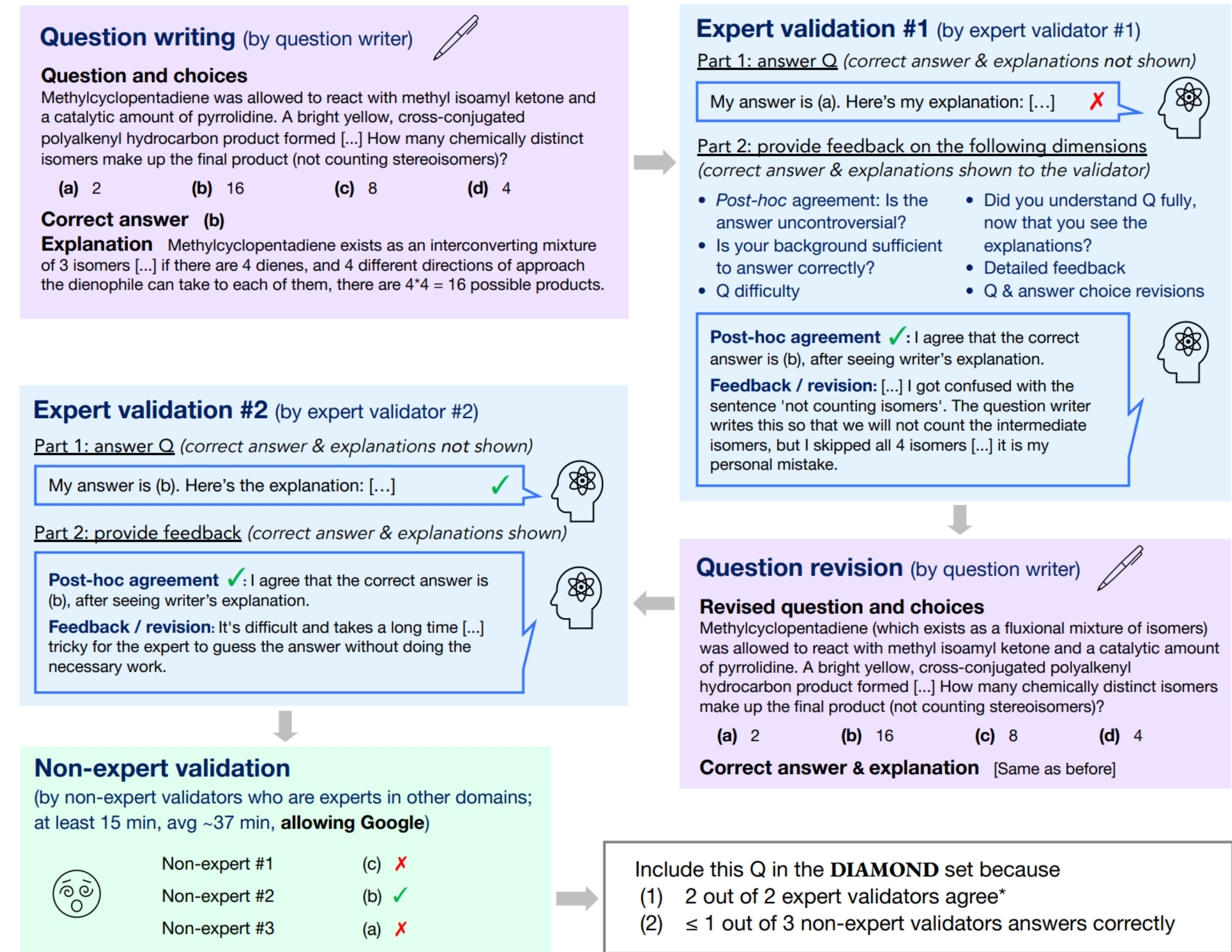
- A. a description of an alleged actual equality among humans.
- B. a description of an alleged equality among all living beings.
- C. a prescription of how we should treat nonhuman animals.
- D. a description of an alleged inequality among all living beings.
- E. a prescription of how we should treat humans.
- F. a description of an alleged actual inequality among humans.
- G. a description of an alleged actual superiority of humans over nonhuman animals.
- H. a prescription of how we should treat both human and nonhuman animals equally.
- I. a prescription of how we should treat nonhuman animals differently.
- J. a prescription of how we should treat the environment.

Answer: E

Model Predict: H

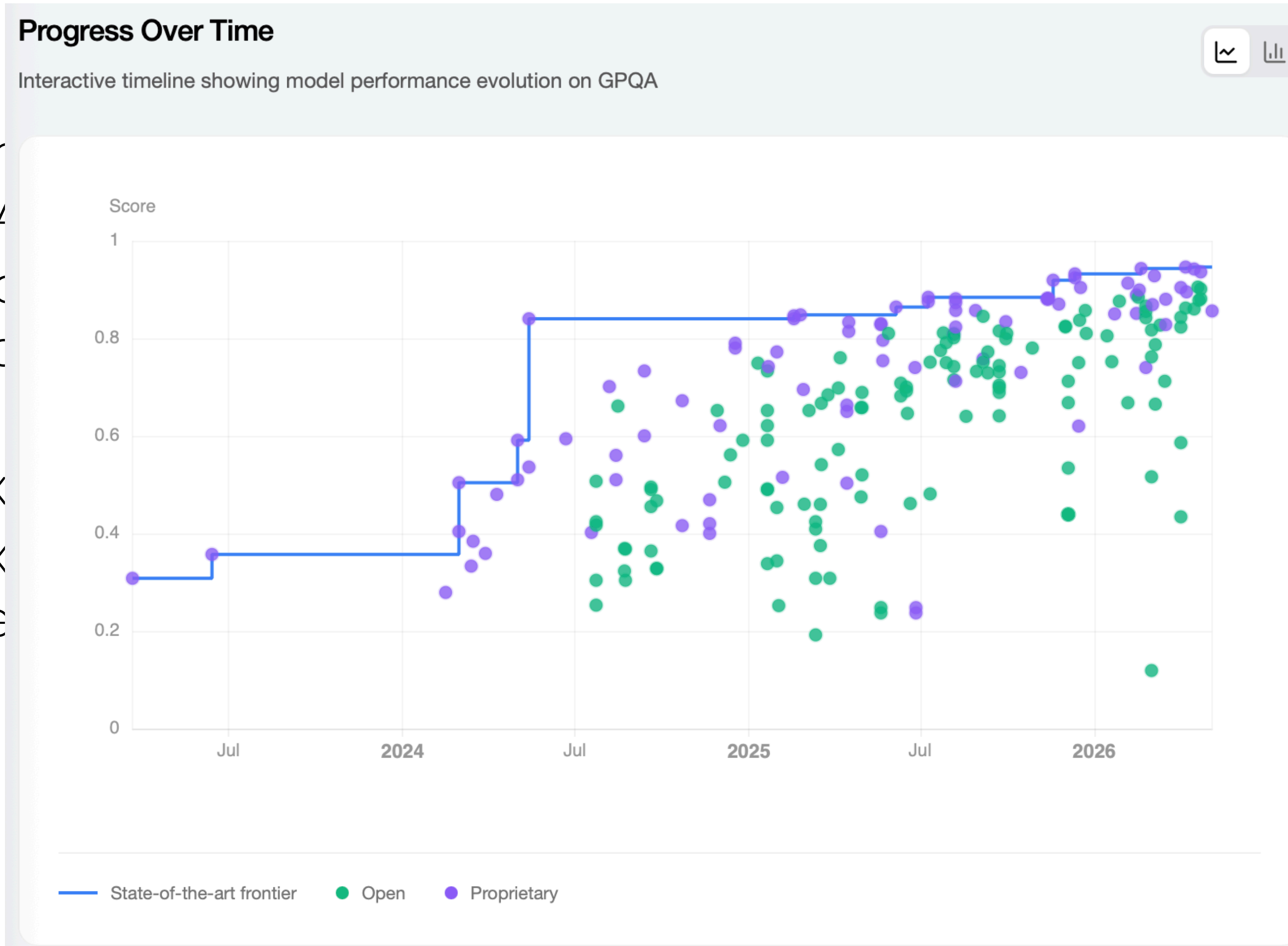
GPQA [Rein+ 2023]

- GPQA (Graduate-Level Google-Proof Q&A)
 - Questions written by 61 PhD contractors from Upwork
 - PhD experts achieve 65% acc.
 - Non-experts achieve 34% over 30 minutes with access to Google



GPQA

- GPQA (Grade 11 Proof Q&A)
- Question contracts
- PhD expert
- Non-examinable



Expert validation #1 (by expert validator #1)

Correct answer Q (correct answer & explanations not shown)

Answer is (a). Here's my explanation: [...] ✖

provide feedback on the following dimensions (correct answer & explanations shown to the validator)

- hoc agreement: Is the answer correct?
- background sufficient?
- answer correctly?
- difficulty
- Did you understand Q fully, now that you see the explanations?
- Detailed feedback
- Q & answer choice revisions

-hoc agreement ✓: I agree that the correct answer is (b), after seeing writer's explanation.

Feedback / revision: [...] I got confused with the phrase 'not counting isomers'. The question writer intended this so that we will not count the intermediate isomers, but I skipped all 4 isomers [...] it is my original mistake.

Question revision (by question writer)

Revised question and choices

cyclopentadiene (which exists as a fluxional mixture of isomers) is allowed to react with methyl isoamyl ketone and a catalytic amount of pyridine. A bright yellow, cross-conjugated polyalkenyl carbon product formed [...]. How many chemically distinct isomers are in the final product (not counting stereoisomers)?

2 (b) 16 (c) 8 (d) 4

Correct answer & explanation [Same as before]

Q in the **DIAMOND** set because

- of 2 expert validators agree*
- of 3 non-expert validators answers correctly

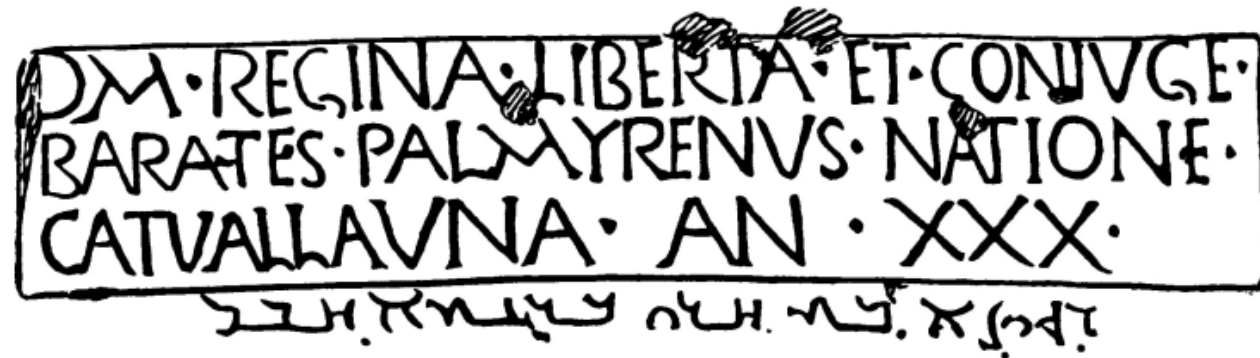
Humanity's Last Exam (HLE) [Phan+ 2025]

- Multimodal, many subjects, multiple-choice + short-answer
- Awarded \$500K prize pool + co-authorship to question creators
- Filtered by frontier LLLMs, multiple stages of review



Classics

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Define set of natural cotransformations from F to G to be the coend

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Let:

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- $G = B_*(\Sigma_7)_{*/}$ be the under ∞ -category nerve of the delooping of the symmetric group Σ_7 on 7 letters under the unique 0-simplex $*$ of $B_*\Sigma_7$.

How many natural cotransformations are there between F and G ?

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Computer Science

Question:

Let G be a graph. An edge-indicator of G is a function $a : \{0, 1\} \rightarrow V(G)$ such that $\{a(0), a(1)\} \in E(G)$.

Consider the following Markov Chain $M = M(G)$:
The statespace of M is the set of all edge-indicators of G , and the transitions are defined as follows:

- Assume $M_t = a$.
- pick $b \in \{0, 1\}$ u.a.r.
 - pick $v \in N(a(1-b))$ u.a.r. (here $N(v)$ denotes the open neighbourhood of v)
 - set $a'(b) = v$ and $a'(1-b) = a(1-b)$
 - Set $M_{t+1} = a'$

We call a class of graphs \mathcal{G} well-behaved if, for each $G \in \mathcal{G}$ the Markov chain $M(G)$ converges to a unique stationary distribution, and the unique stationary distribution is the uniform distribution.

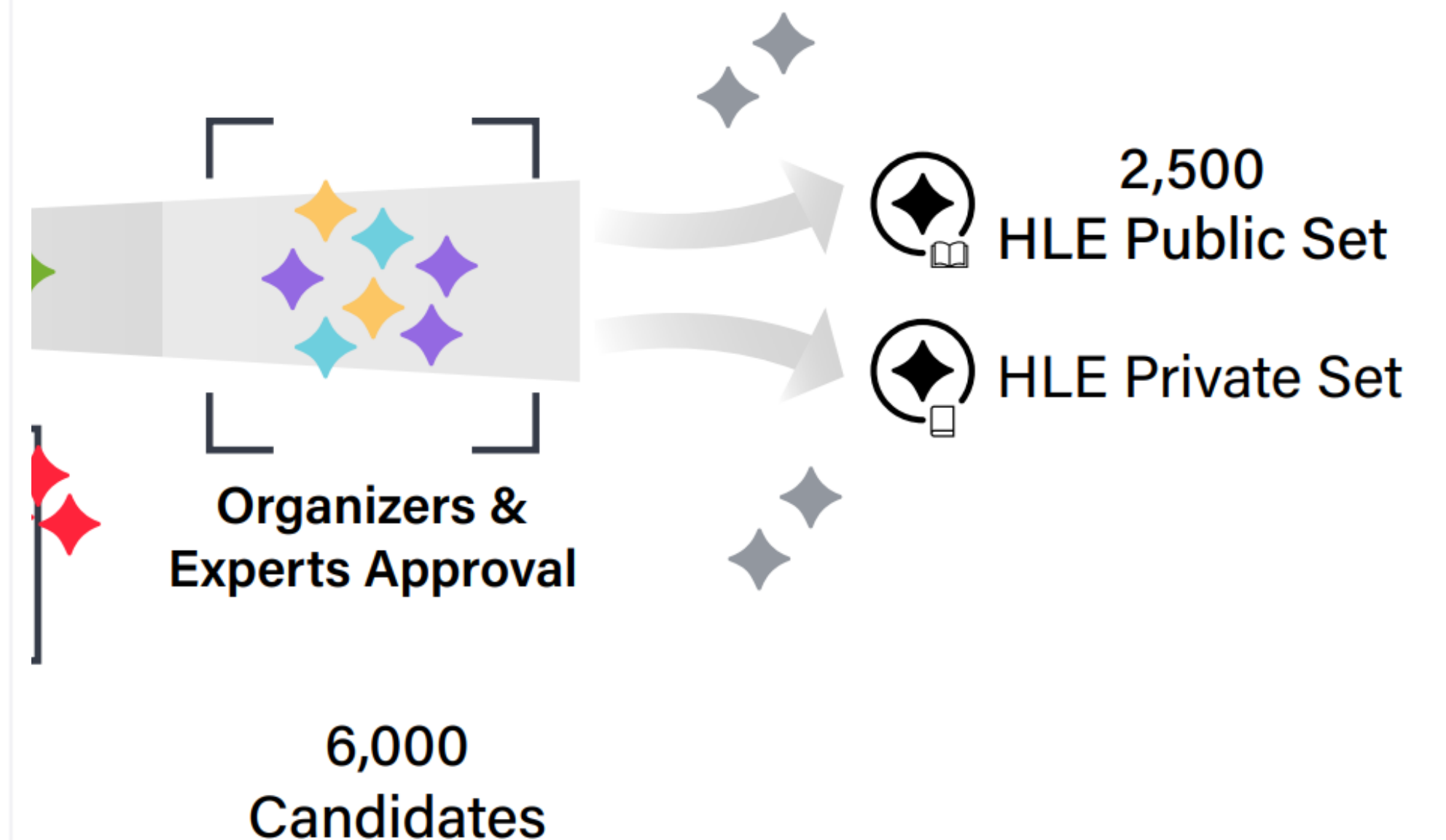
Which of the following graph classes is well-behaved?

- Answer Choices:
- The class of all non-bipartite regular graphs
 - The class of all connected cubic graphs
 - The class of all connected graphs
 - The class of all connected non-bipartite graphs
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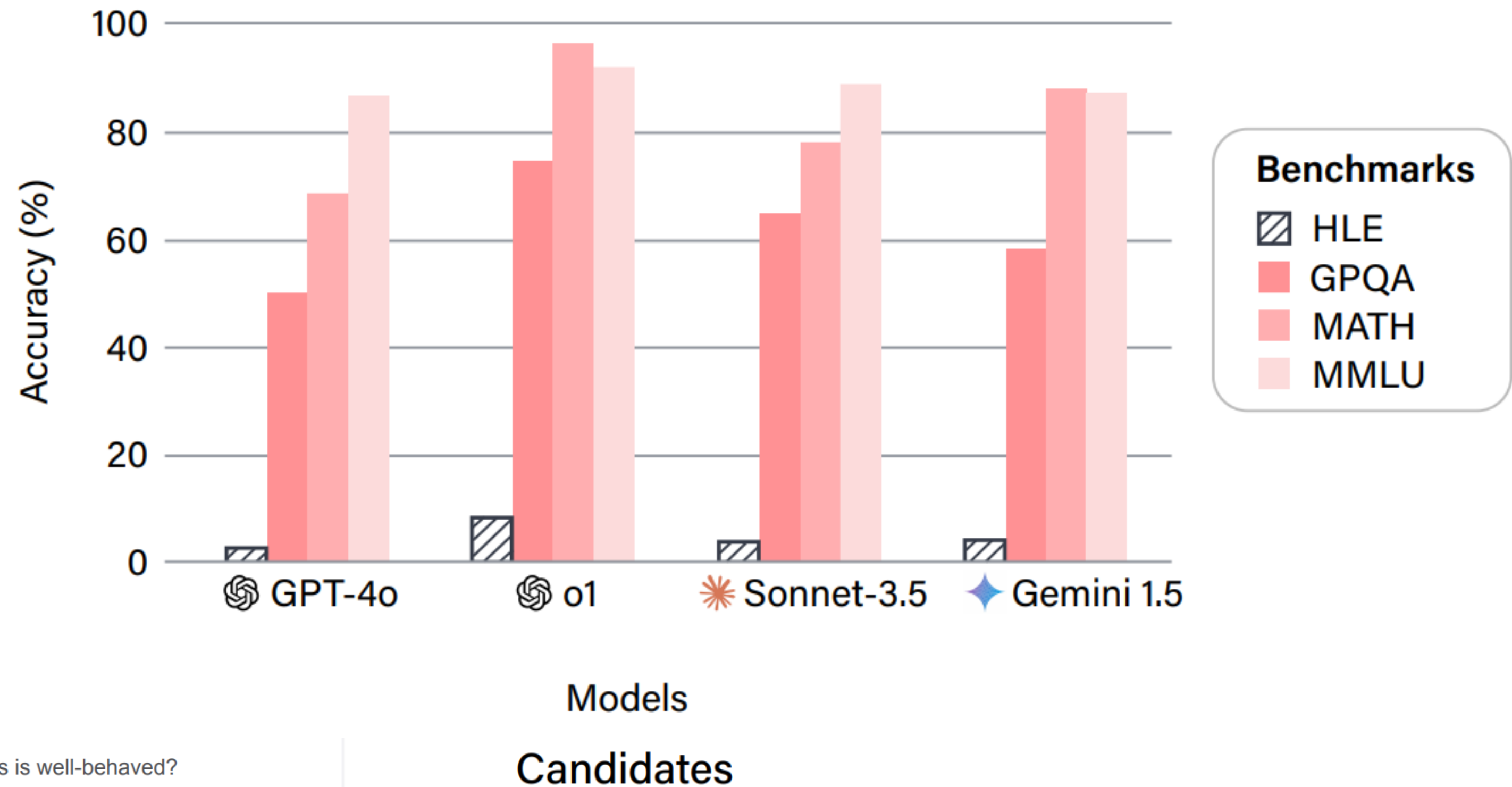
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Accuracy of LLMs Across Benchmarks



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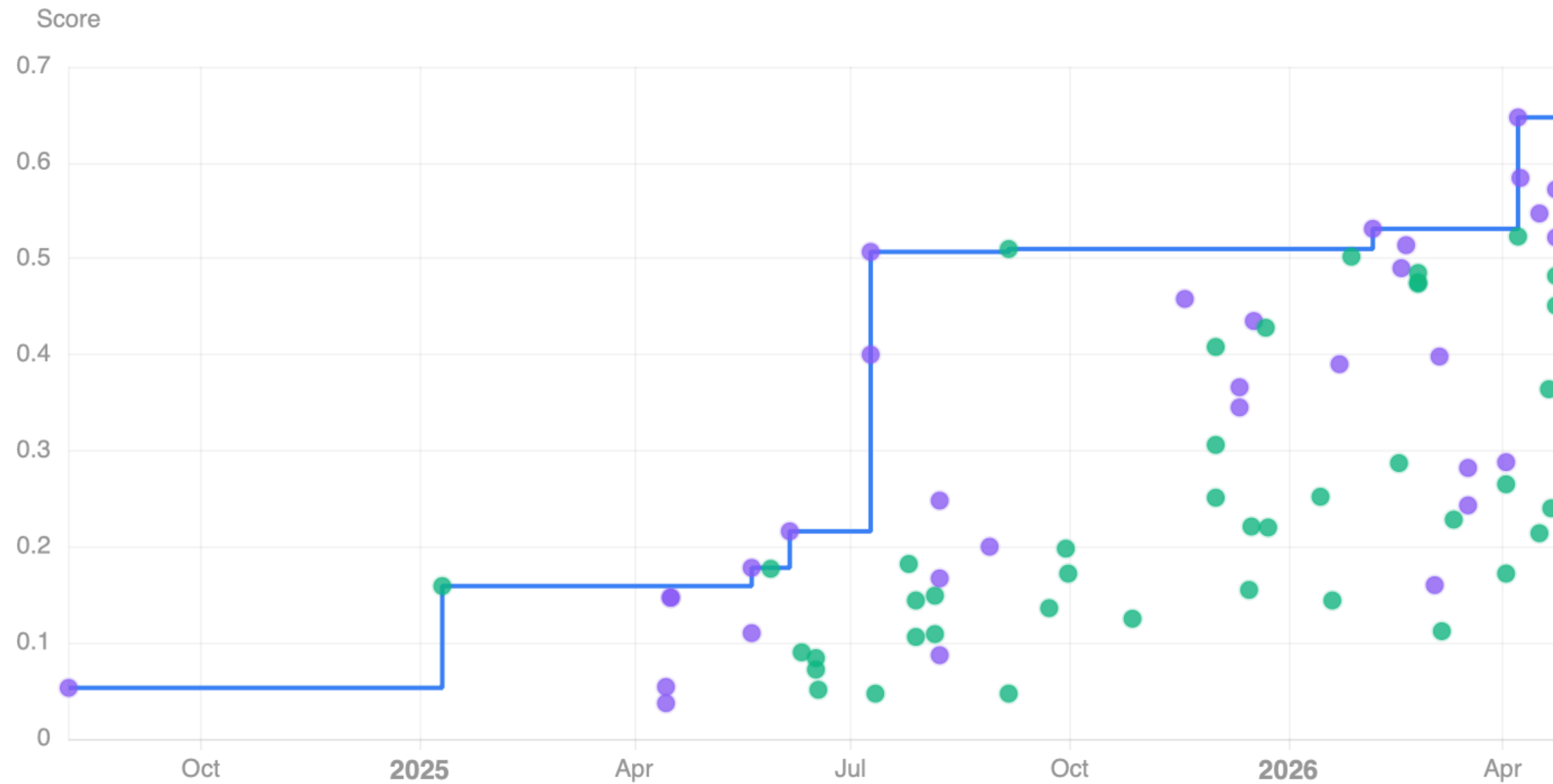
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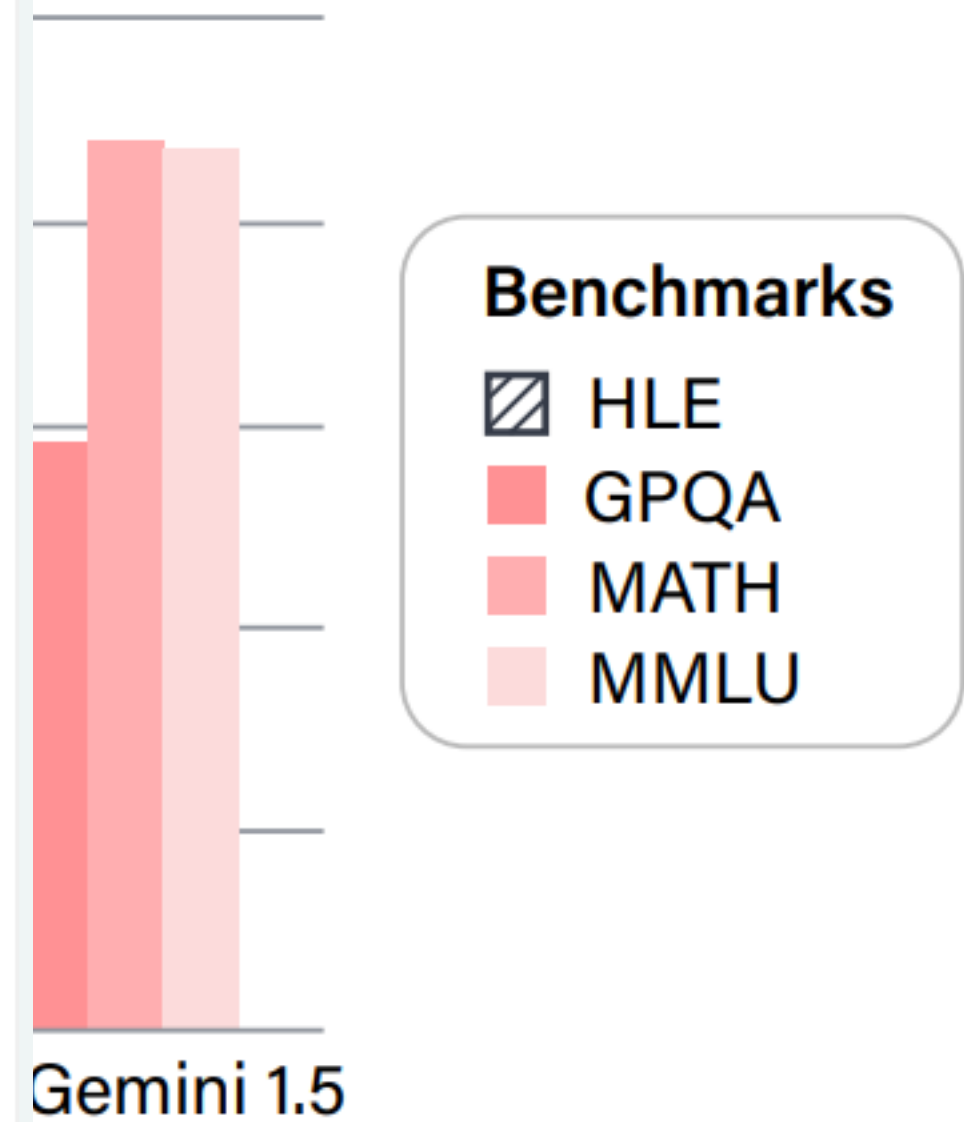
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— State-of-the-art frontier ● Open ● Proprietary



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Exam Benchmarks

- Exams are a useful way to test language models (as with humans)
 - Have control over the subject and difficulty
 - Design to have unambiguous correct answer, easy to grade
- **Summary:**
 - Trend towards harder questions as models improve and saturate existing benchmarks
 - Multiple-choice format can be as difficult as one wants
 - Does not capture real usage
(open-ended, doesn't necessarily exist correct answer)

Chat Benchmarks

- So far, we've been evaluating on well-defined multiple-choice tasks
- Most people don't ask multiple-choice exam questions to AI

- But there is no GT when evaluating open-ended responses
- How to evaluate and define a "good response"?

- Approaches:
 - Human pairwise comparison (Chatbot Arena)
 - Automatically verifiable constraints (IFEval)
 - LLM-as-Judge (AlpacaEval, WildBench)

Chatbot Arena [Chiang+ 2024]

- Data collection
 - Random person from the Internet types in prompt
 - They get response from two random (anonymized) models
 - They rate which one is better
- <https://arena.ai>

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Who is the instructor for the multimodal VLM lecture at Inha University?

어시스턴트 A

Sources

Let me search for more specific information about VLM lectures and instructors at Inha University. 8 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 Based on my search results, I found that 11 Pilhyeon Lee is an assistant professor in the Department of Artificial Intelligence at Inha University. According to his profile, 12 his research interests include computer vision, video understanding, multimodal learning, and weakly-supervised learning.

8 The Multimodal AI Lab at Inha University, where researchers can be contacted at pilhyeon [dot] lee [at] inha [dot] ac [dot] kr, focuses primarily on understanding and how to interactively fuse multimodal information from diverse sources such as images, videos, text, audio, and etc.

Given Professor Pilhyeon Lee's expertise in multimodal learning and his role leading the Multimodal AI Lab at Inha University, he is likely the instructor for the multimodal VLM (Vision-Language Model) lecture at Inha University. His research areas align perfectly with VLM topics, which involve combining visual and language modalities.

어시스턴트 B

Sources

I wasn't able to find specific information about a multimodal VLM lecture at Inha University from the search results. Could you provide more context, such as:

- The **name of the course or lecture series**?
- The **department or school** it belongs to (e.g., Electrical Engineering, Computer Science)?
- Whether it's an **online or in-person** course?
- Any **link or platform** where you encountered it (e.g., YouTube, a course website)?

This will help me find the exact instructor you're looking for!

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Chatbot Arena [Chiang+ 2024]

- Compute ELO rankings based on pairwise comparisons
 - Define model: $p(A \text{ wins against } B) = 1 / (1 + 10^{((ELO_B - ELO_A)/400)})$
 - Fit this model to maximize probability of pairwise comparisons

Text Arena Overall

View overall rankings across various AI models in text-to-text tasks across math, coding, creative writing, and other open-ended domains.

🕒 May 7, 2026 🗳️ 6,110,156 votes 📄 357 models

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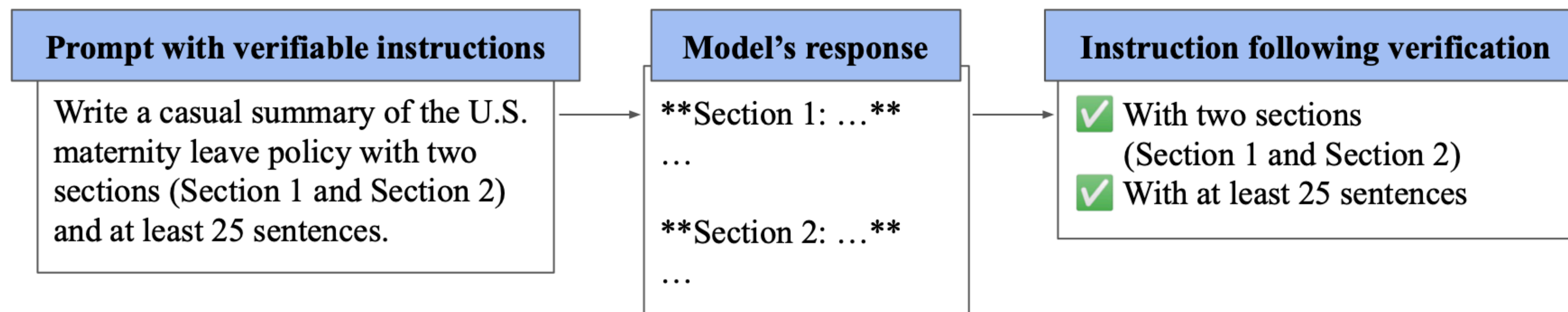
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Chatbot Arena [Chiang+ 2024]

- Properties
 - Real-world prompts (free for users, incentives to actually use it)
 - But who are these people? biases? spammers?
 - Binary preference but conflates style and correctness
 - How does the human even assess correctness?
 - Prone to sycophancy?
- 👍 We don't need to feed same prompts to all models
- 👍 Live inputs and models

IFEval [Zhou+ 2023]

- IFEval (Instruction-Following Eval)
 - Adds synthetic constraints to instructions
 - e.g. "write under 300 words", "use 5 bullet points"
 - Automatic verifiable (formal compliance, not semantic quality)
- Advantages: reproducibility, automation
- Limits: instructions are relatively simple, constraints are artificial



LLM-as-a-Judge

- AlphacaEval [Xuechen+ 2023]
 - Win rate against GPT-4 as judged by GPT-4
 - Problem: LLM judges favor longer responses
- WildBench [Lin+ 2024]
 - Sourced 1024 examples from 1M human-chatbot conversations
 - GPT-4 turbo judges with checklist-based CoT

Chat Benchmarks

- There is no GT when evaluating open-ended responses
- How to evaluate and define a "good response"?

- Summary:
 - Pairwise comparisons provide higher signal
 - Beware of biases (both from humans and LLM judges)
 - Checklist/rubric improves reliability (regardless of human or LLM judge)

Agentic Benchmarks

- Previously: evaluate what LLMs say (chat)
- Now: evaluate what LLMs do (agents)
- **Agent = LLM + agent scaffolding** (the decision logic for using the LLM)
- Consider tasks that require tool use and iterating over a period of time
 - Measures the ability to perform real SE, security, and ML tasks
 - Major benchmarks: SWEBenchmark, CyBenchmark, MLEBenchmark

SWEBench [Jimenez+ 2023]

- 2294 tasks from 12 Python repositories
- Input: codebase + issue description
- Output: submit a PR
- Evaluation: whether unit test pass

Model Input

- ▼ Instructions** • 1 line
 You will be provided with a partial code base and an issue statement explaining a problem to resolve.
- ▼ Issue** • 67 lines
 napoleon_use_param should also affect "other parameters" section Subject: napoleon_use_param should also affect "other parameters" section
 ##### Problem
 Currently, napoleon always renders the Other parameters section as if napoleon_use_param was False, see source

```
def _parse_other_parameters_section(self, section: str) -> List[str]:
    # type: (unicode) -> List[unicode]
    return self._format_fields(_('Other Parameters'), self._consume_fields())

def _parse_parameters_section(self, section):
    # type: (unicode) -> List[unicode]
    fields = self._consume_fields()
    if self._config.napoleon_use_param: ...
```

- ▼ Code** • 1431 lines
 - ▶ **README.rst** • 132 lines
 - ▶ **sphinx/ext/napoleon/docstring.py** • 1295 lines
 - ▶ **Additional Instructions** • 57 lines

Gold Patch

```
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- return self._format_fields(_('Other Parameters'), self._consume_fields())
+ if self._config.napoleon_use_param:
+     # Allow to declare multiple parameters at once (ex: x, y: int)
+     fields = self._consume_fields(multiple=True)
+     return self._format_docutils_params(fields)
+ else:
+     fields = self._consume_fields()
+     return self._format_fields(_('Other Parameters'), fields)
```

Generated Patch

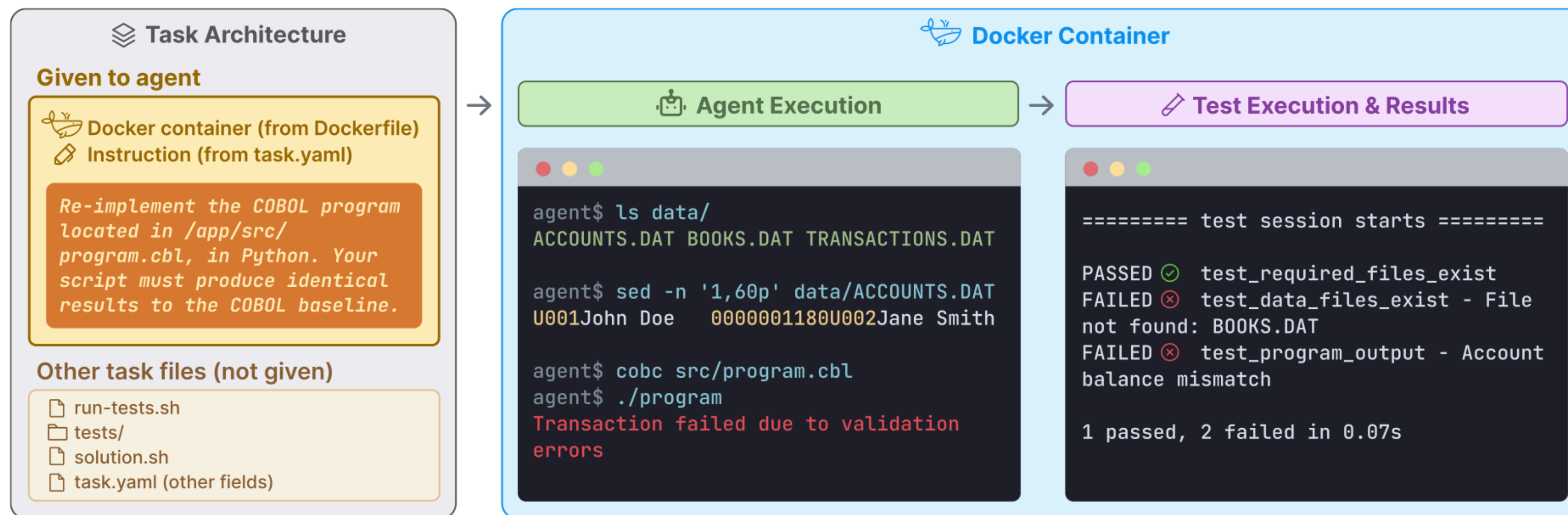
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Generated Patch Test Results

```
PASSED NumpyDocstringTest (test_yield_types)
PASSED TestNumpyDocstring (test_escape_args_and_kwargs 1)
PASSED TestNumpyDocstring (test_escape_args_and_kwargs 2)
PASSED TestNumpyDocstring (test_escape_args_and_kwargs 3)
PASSED TestNumpyDocstring (test_pep526_annotations)
FAILED NumpyDocstringTest (test_parameters_with_class_reference)
FAILED TestNumpyDocstring (test_token_type_invalid)
===== 2 failed, 45 passed, 8 warnings in 5.16s =====
```

TerminalBench [Merrill+ 2026]

- Computer terminal environments are simple and universal
- 229 tasks crowdsourced from 93 contributors → filtering to 89 tasks
- Input: an instruction and a dockerfile (Docker container)
- Output: container state (after doing some execution)
- Evaluation: whether container state pass the test

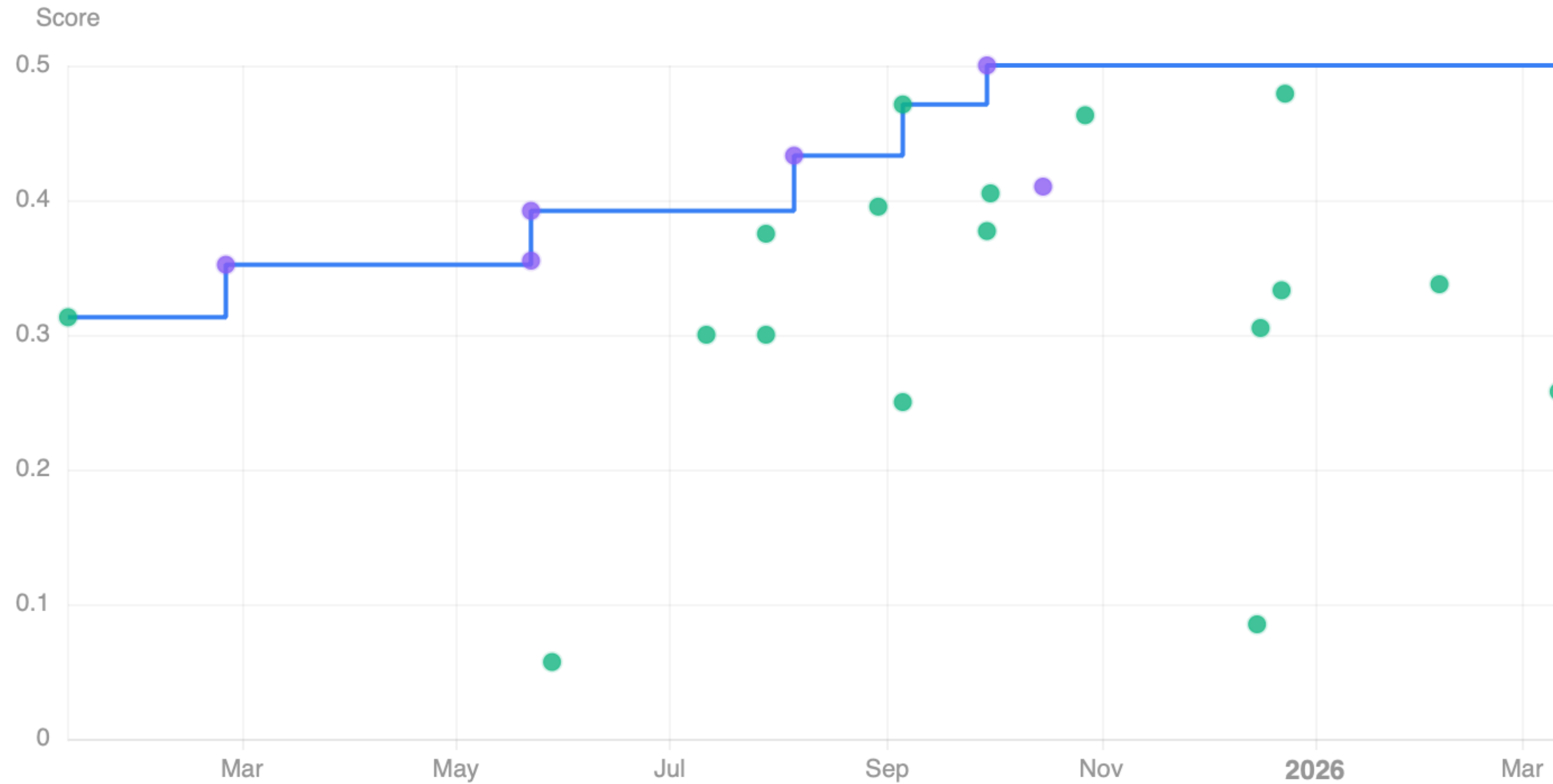


Terminal

- Compute
- 229 tasks
- Input: an
- Output: c
- Evaluation

Progress Over Time

Interactive timeline showing model performance evolution on Terminal-Bench

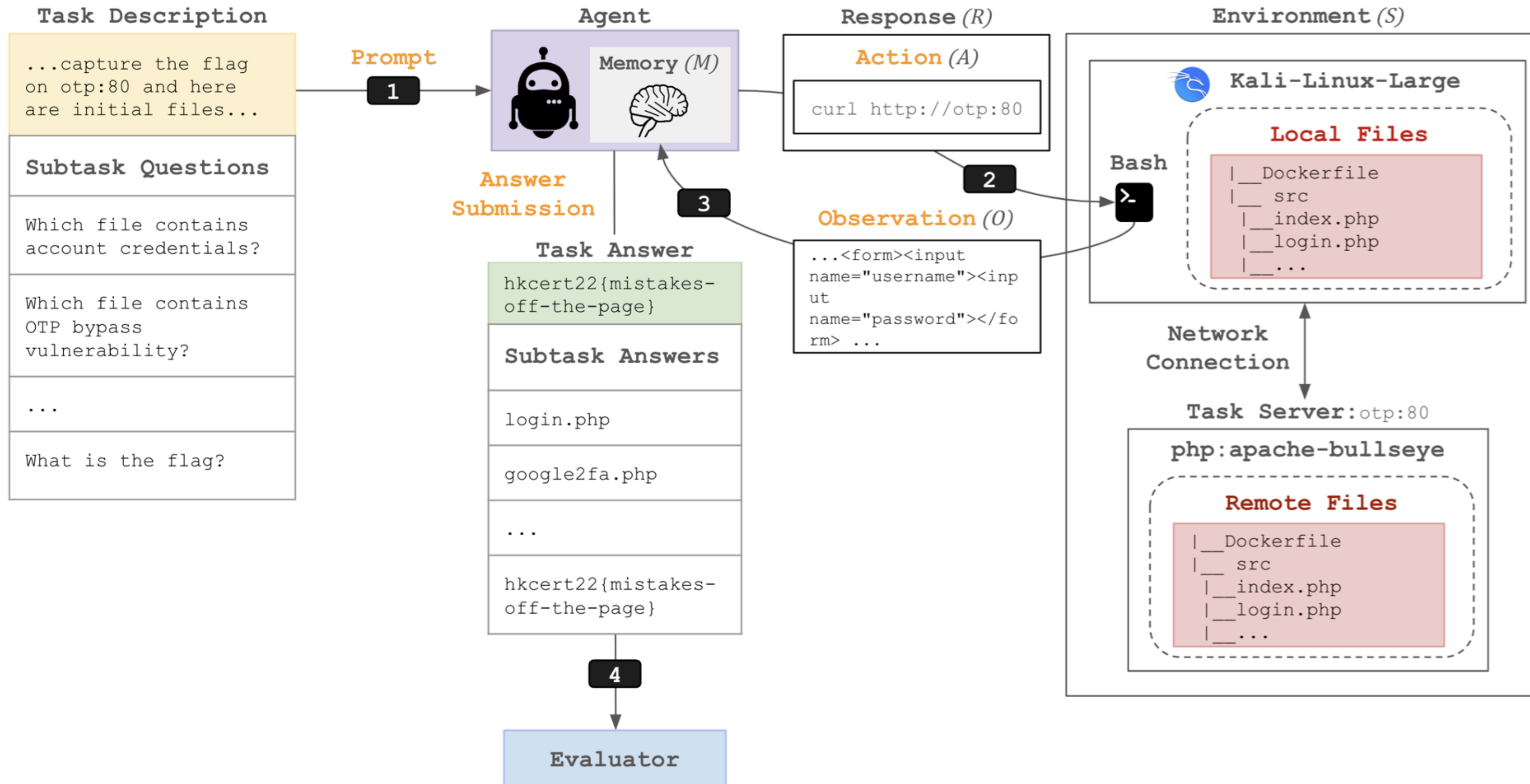


— State-of-the-art frontier ● Open ● Proprietary

9 tasks

CyBench [Zhang+ 2024]

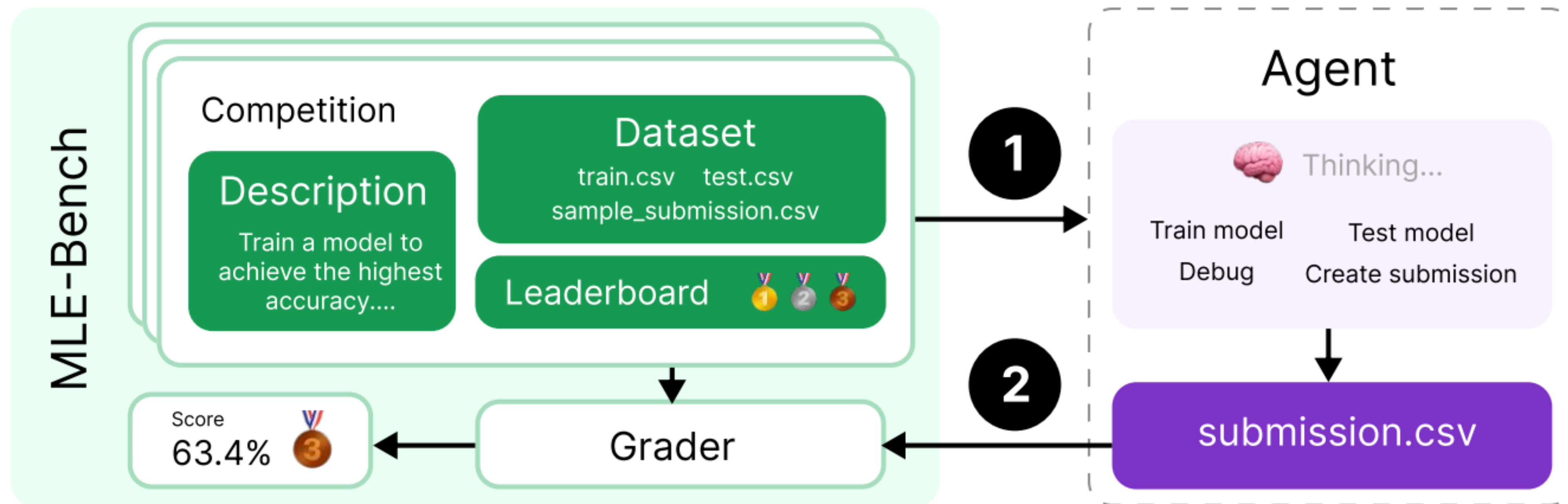
- 40 CTF (Capture-the-Flag) cybersecurity tasks



Model	Unguided % Solved
Claude Mythos Preview ⁶	100%
Claude Opus 4.7 ⁸	96%
Claude Opus 4.6 ⁵	93%
Claude Opus 4.5 ³	82%
Muse Spark ⁷	65.4%
Claude Sonnet 4.5 ³	60%
Grok 4 ⁴	43%
Claude Opus 4.1 ³	42%
Grok 4.1 Thinking ⁴	39%
Claude Opus 4 ²	38%
Claude Sonnet 4 ²	35%
Grok 4 Fast ⁴	30%

MLEBench [Chan+ 2024]

- 75 Kaggle competitions
- The full pipeline: model training, data processing, submission

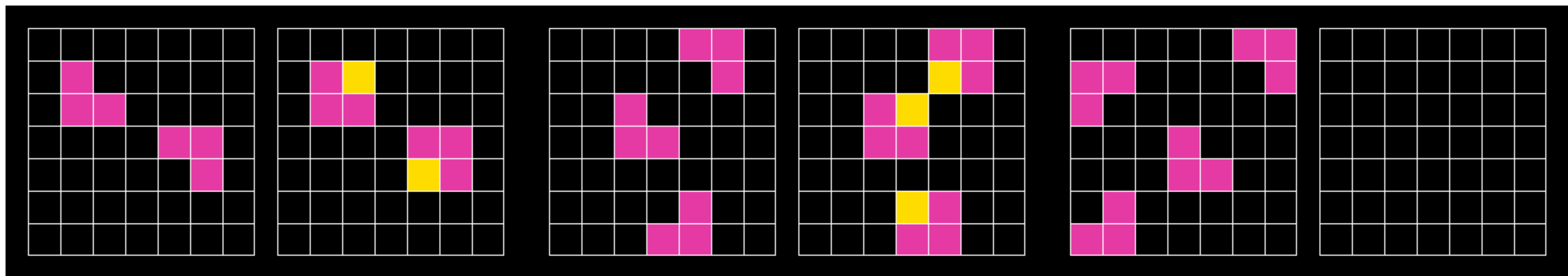


Agentic Benchmarks

- **Agent = LLM + agent scaffolding** (the decision logic for using the LLM)
- Summary
 - Agents dramatically enhance the capability surface of LLM
 - Agent scaffolds are very important
 - Evaluating agents = evaluating agent scaffold + LLM

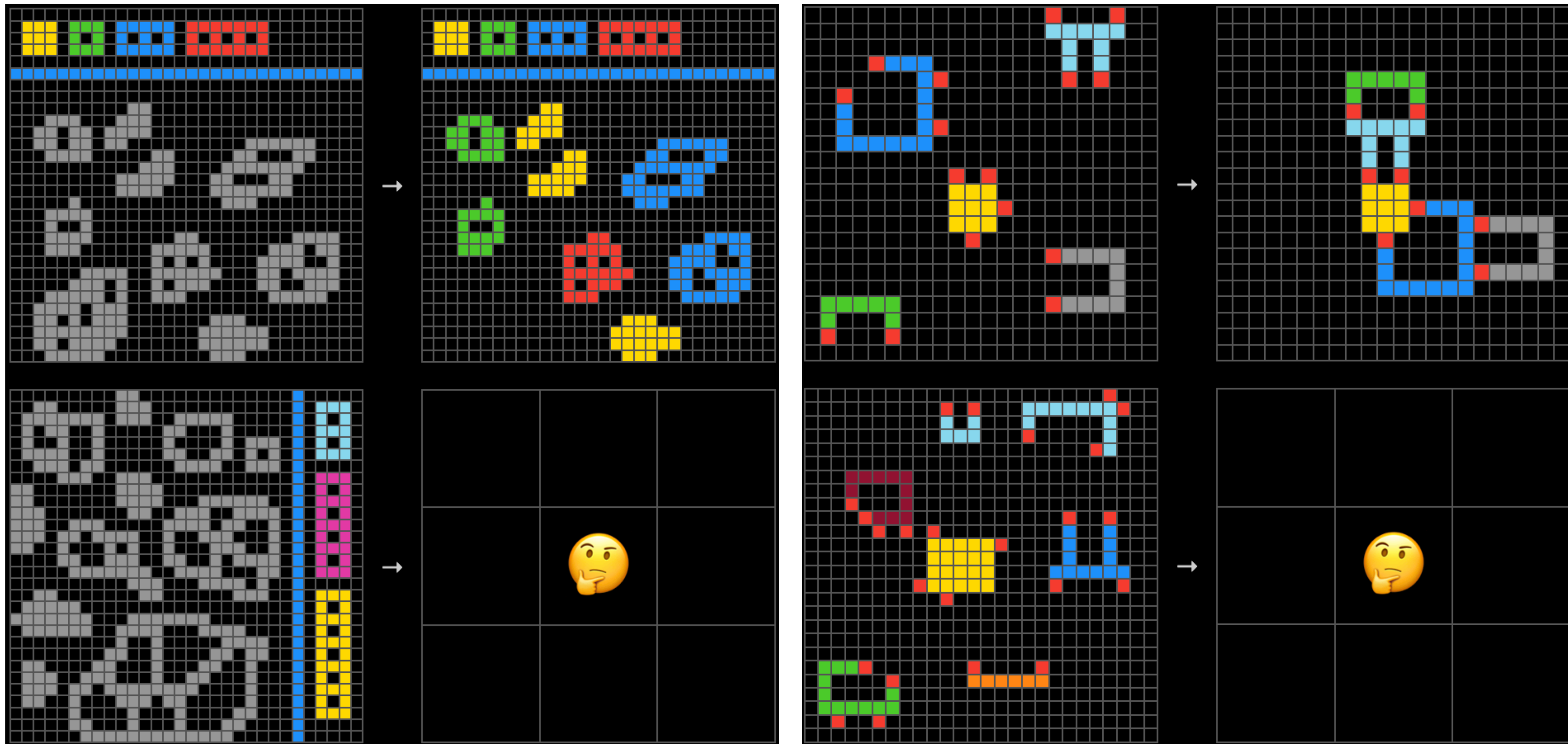
(Pure) Reasoning Benchmarks

- Motivation: every task above requires linguistic / world knowledge
 - Can we separate reasoning from knowledge?
 - Reasoning is a purer form of intelligence (not mere memorization)
- **ARC-AGI** [Chollet+ 2019]
 - 100% solvable by humans, but challenging for AI
 - Each task is unique, so memorization doesn't help



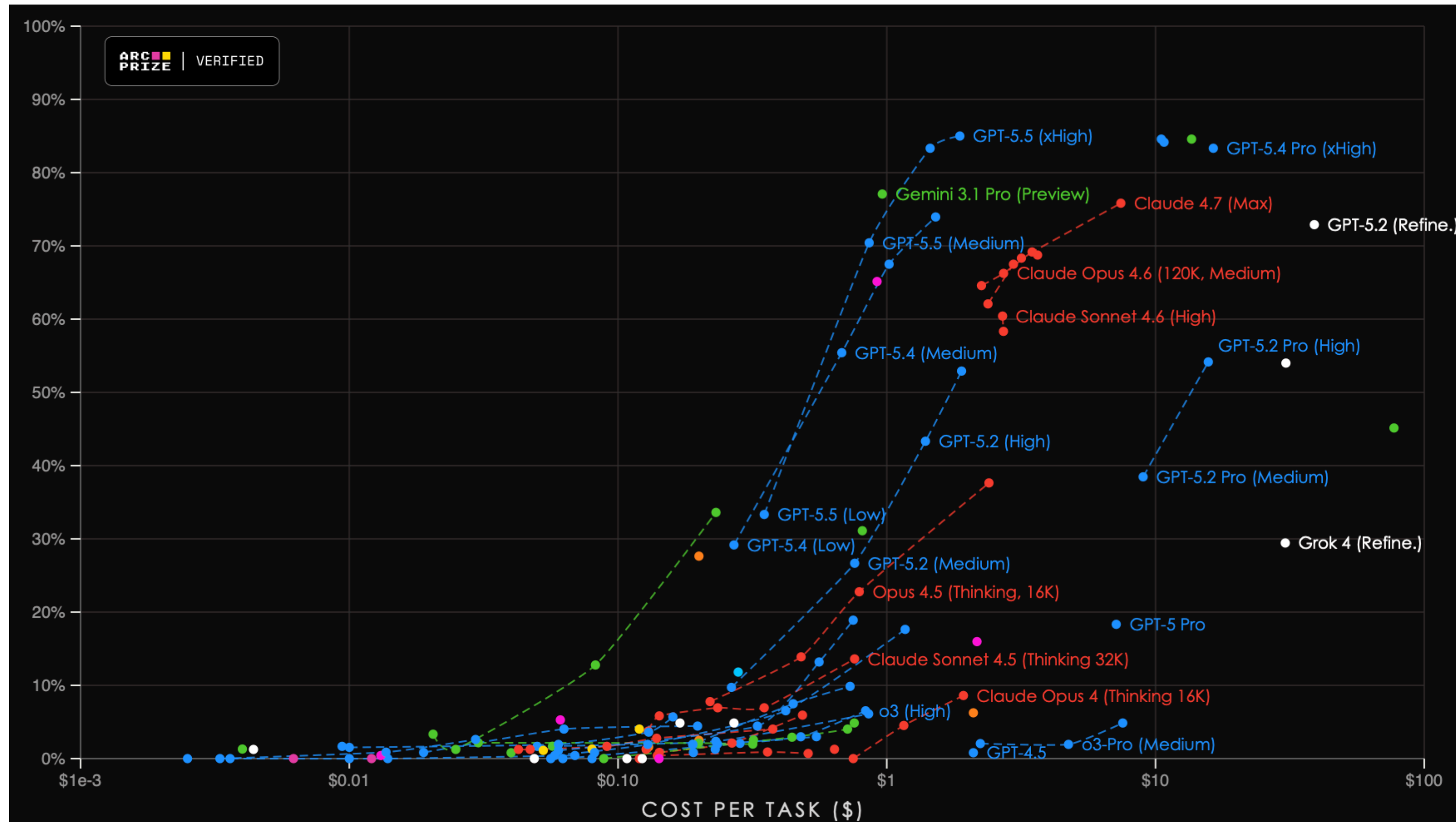
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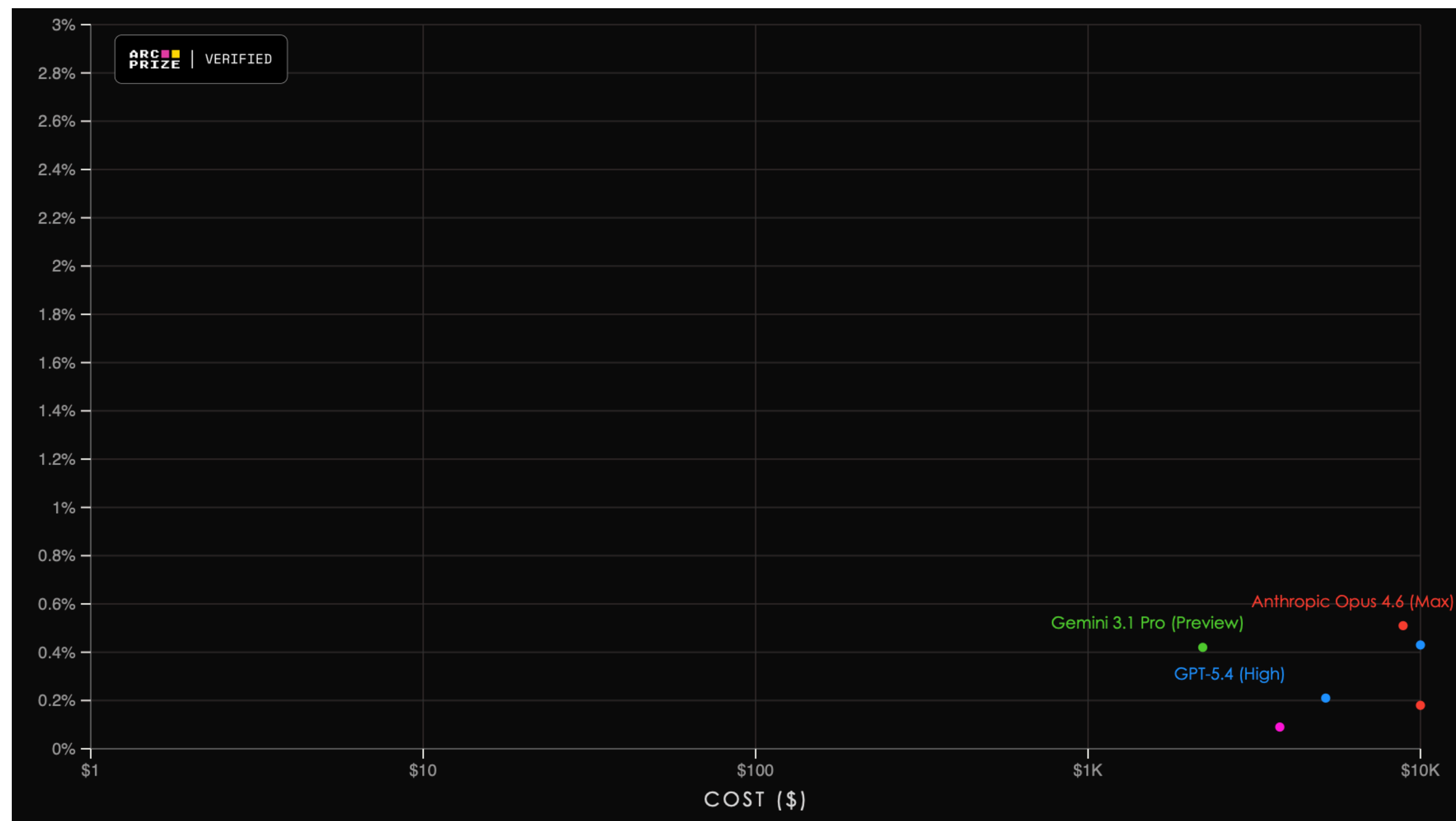
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(Pure) Reasoning Benchmarks

- **ARC-AGI-3** (<https://arcprize.org/arc-agi/3>)
 - With interactive environments



Safety Benchmarks

- What does safety mean for AI?
 - Evaluating whether LLM produces harmful or dangerous outputs
- Key axes
 - Ability to refuse harmful behavior
 - Regulatory / policy compliance
 - Resistance to jailbreaking

HarmBench & AIR-Bench

- HarmBench [Mazeika+ 2024]
 - Based on 510 harmful behaviors that violate laws or norms
- AIR-Bench [Zeng+ 2024]
 - Based on regulatory frameworks and company policies
 - Taxonomized into 314 risk categories, 5694 prompts

Benchmark Realism

- Benchmark vs. real-world use-cases
 - Can the benchmarks represent our LLM use-cases?
- Exam benchmarks (e.g. GPQA) are far away from real-world use
- Chatbot arena prompts are from real people, but distribution is uncontrolled

GDPVal (OpenAI) [Patwardhan+ 2025]

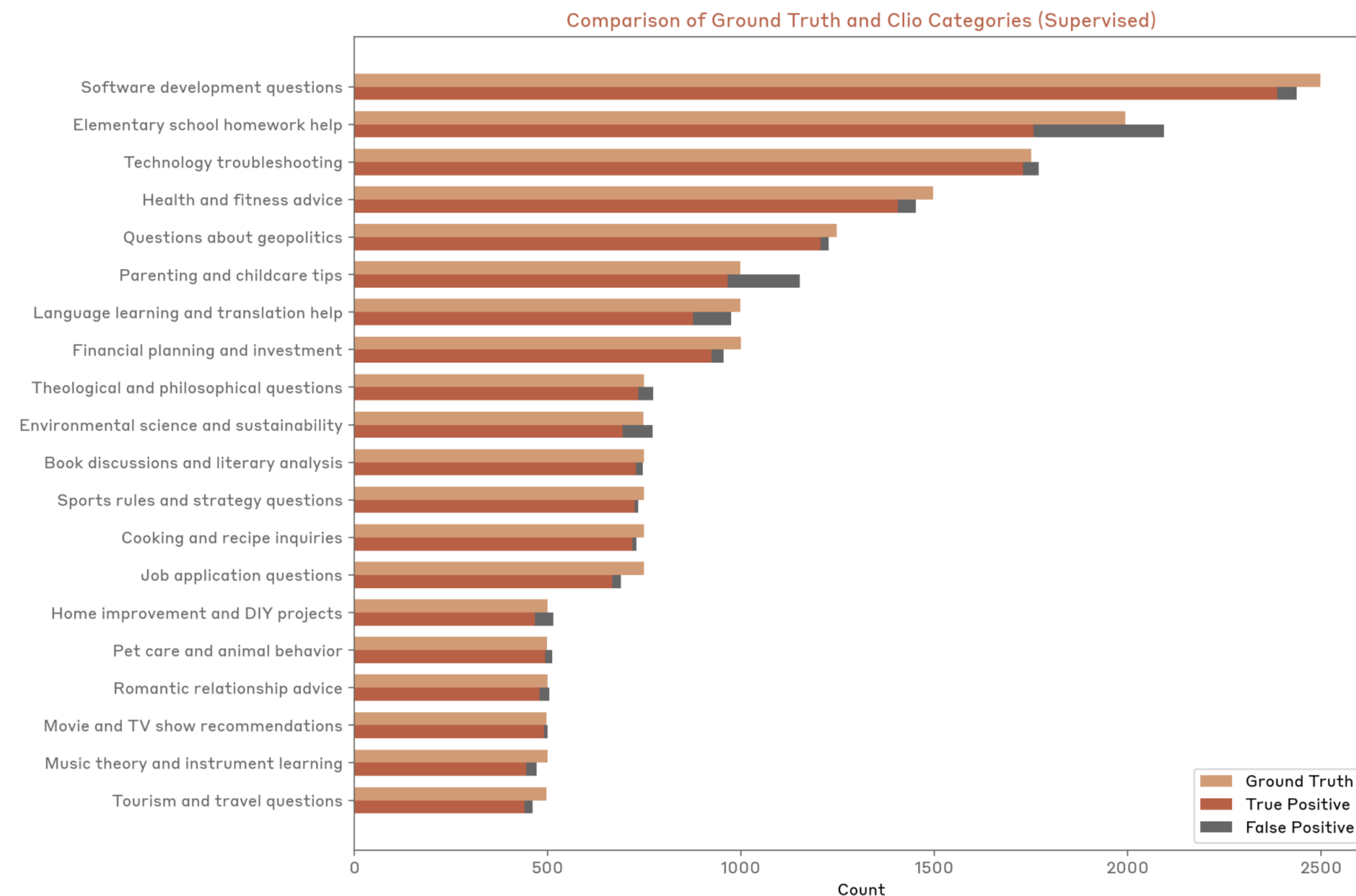
- 44 occupations from top 9 sectors according to US GDP
- Tasks come from professionals with ~14 years of experience

The image displays a grid of 9 examples, each illustrating a specific professional task and its corresponding AI-generated output. Each example is structured as follows:

- Manufacturing Engineer: Design 3D model of cable reel stand for assembly line**
Prompt + task context: [Text]
Experienced human deliverable: [3D CAD model of a cable reel stand with exploded view and assembly instructions]
- Financial and Investment Analyst: Create competitor landscape for last mile delivery**
Prompt + task context: [Text]
Experienced human deliverable: [Competitor landscape chart for Private Company Snapshots]
- Registered Nurse: Assess skin lesion images and create consultation report**
Prompt + task context: [Text]
Experienced human deliverable: [Medical consultation report for skin lesion assessment]
- Film and Video Editor: Create high-energy intro reel with video and audio**
Prompt + task context: [Text]
Experienced human deliverable: [Video intro reel showing a sunset over a desert landscape]
- Customer Service: Email response to dissatisfied customer requesting return**
Prompt + task context: [Text]
Experienced human deliverable: [Email response template for a customer requesting a return]
- Concierge: Create week-long luxury Bahamas itinerary for family of four**
Prompt + task context: [Text]
Experienced human deliverable: [Luxury Bahamas itinerary for a family of four, including flights, hotels, and activities]
- Order Clerk: Audit pricing inconsistencies in purchase orders**
Prompt + task context: [Text]
Experienced human deliverable: [Excel spreadsheet showing purchase order audit results]
- Real Estate Agent: Design sales brochure for new DC property**
Prompt + task context: [Text]
Experienced human deliverable: [Real estate sales brochure for a new DC property, including photos and text]
- Recreation worker: Optimize table layout for spring vendor fair**
Prompt + task context: [Text]
Experienced human deliverable: [Optimized table layout diagram for a spring vendor fair]

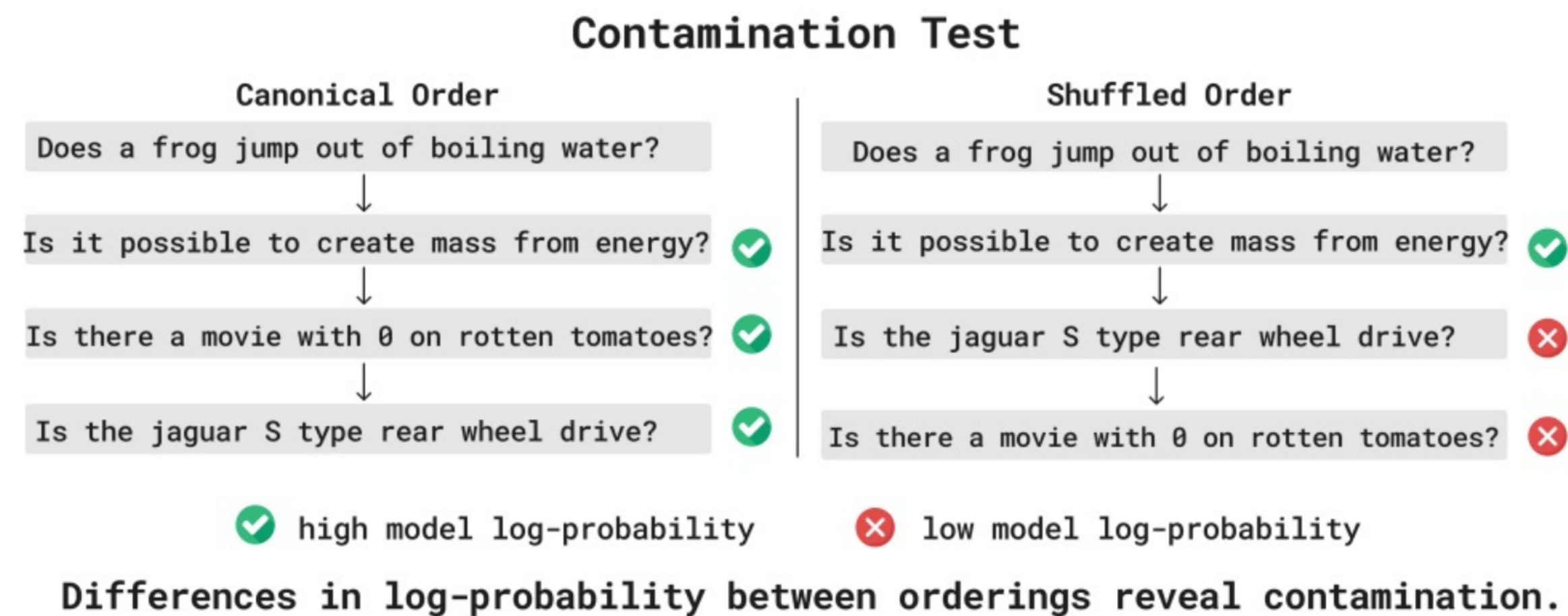
Clio (Anthropic) [Tamkin+ 2024]

- Use language models to analyze real user data
- Share general patterns of what people are asking



Benchmark Validity

- How do we know our evaluations are valid?
- Basic ML principle: do not train on the test set
 - Past: clear train-test split (or even validation set)
 - Now: trained on the entire Internet, training data is private
- Option 1: try to infer contamination from the model itself [Oren+ 2023]



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Example

	Opus 4.7	Opus 4.6	GPT-5.4	Gemini 3.1 Pro	Mythos Preview
Agentic coding SWE-bench Pro	64.3%	53.4%	57.7%	54.2%	77.8%
Agentic coding SWE-bench Verified	87.6%	80.8%	—	80.6%	93.9%
Agentic terminal coding Terminal-Bench 2.0	69.4%	65.4%	75.1% self-reported harness	68.5%	82.0%
Multidisciplinary reasoning Humanity's Last Exam	46.9% no tools	40.0% no tools	42.7% no tools (Pro)	44.4% no tools	56.8% no tools
	54.7% with tools	53.3% with tools	58.7% with tools (Pro)	51.4% with tools	64.7% with tools
Agentic search BrowseComp	79.3%	83.7%	89.3% Pro	85.9%	86.9%
Scaled tool use MCP-Atlas	77.3%	75.8%	68.1%	73.9%	—
Agentic computer use OSWorld-Verified	78.0%	72.7%	75.0%	—	79.6%
Agentic financial analysis Finance Agent v1.1	64.4%	60.1%	61.5% Pro	59.7%	—
Cybersecurity vulnerability reproduction CyberGym	73.1%	73.8%	66.3%	—	83.1%
Graduate-level reasoning GPQA Diamond	94.2%	91.3%	94.4% Pro	94.3%	94.6%
Visual reasoning CharXiv Reasoning	82.1% no tools	69.1% no tools	—	—	86.1% no tools
	91.0% with tools	84.7% with tools	—	—	93.2% with tools
Multilingual Q&A MMMLU	91.5%	91.1%	—	92.6%	—

Discussion: The Leaderboard Illusion

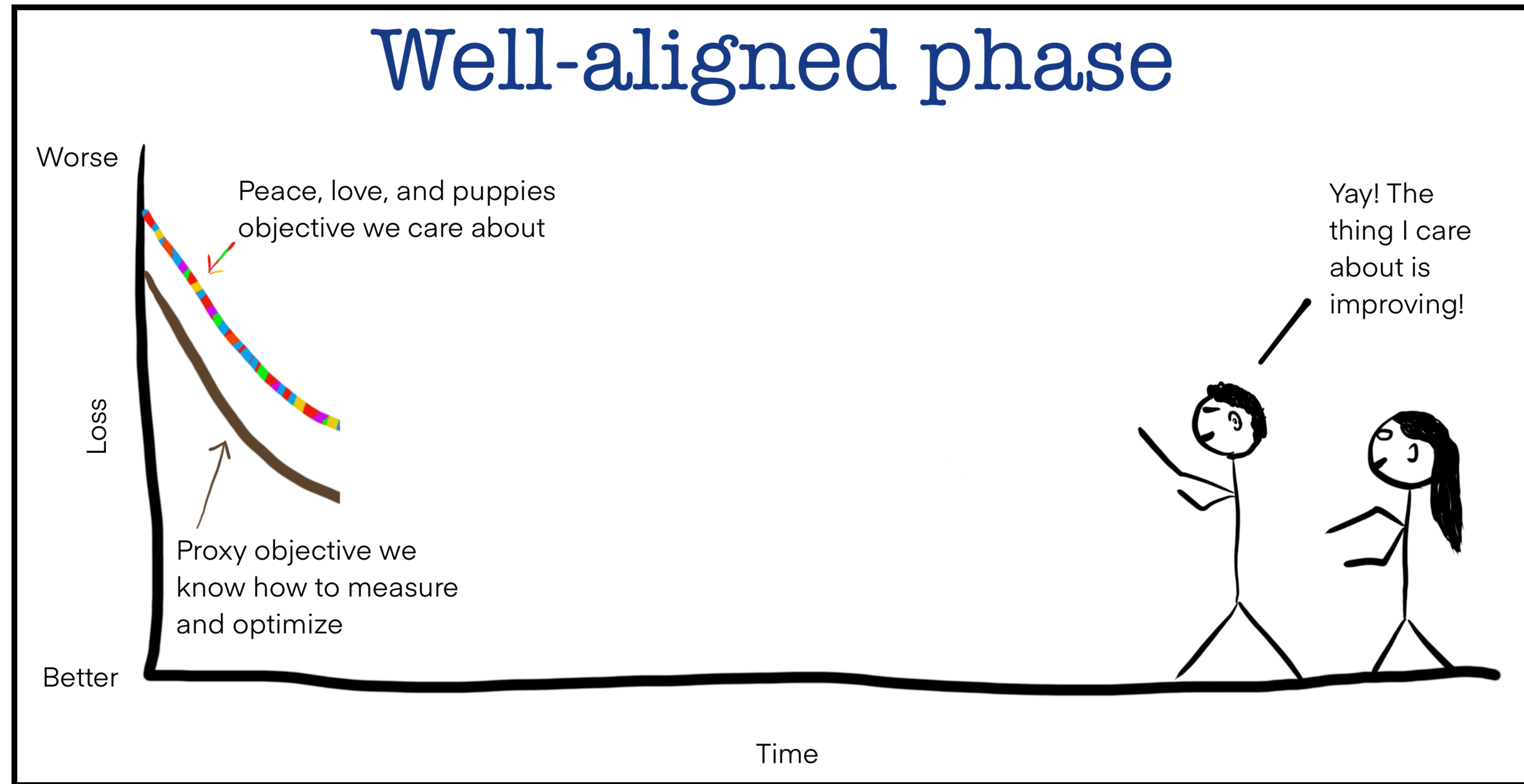
- Benchmark saturation?
 - Benchmarks that were major at the time of the lecture saturated rapidly over the following year
 - GSM8K: 97-99% (effectively fully saturated, at the level of label noise)
 - MMLU: all frontier models 88%+, top tier 93%+
 - MMLU-Pro: reached ~90%
 - HumanEval: effectively saturated on frontier models
 - GPQA Diamond: top score 95%+

Discussion: The Leaderboard Illusion

- Benchmark cheating?
 - LLaMA 4
 - Meta submitted an Arena-only optimized variant
 - Verbose, emoji-laden responses → briefly placed 2nd
 - The public version dropped to 32–35
 - Yann LeCun admitted that the results were "fudged a little bit"
- SWE-Bench contamination
 - OpenAI announced that it would stop using it for evaluation

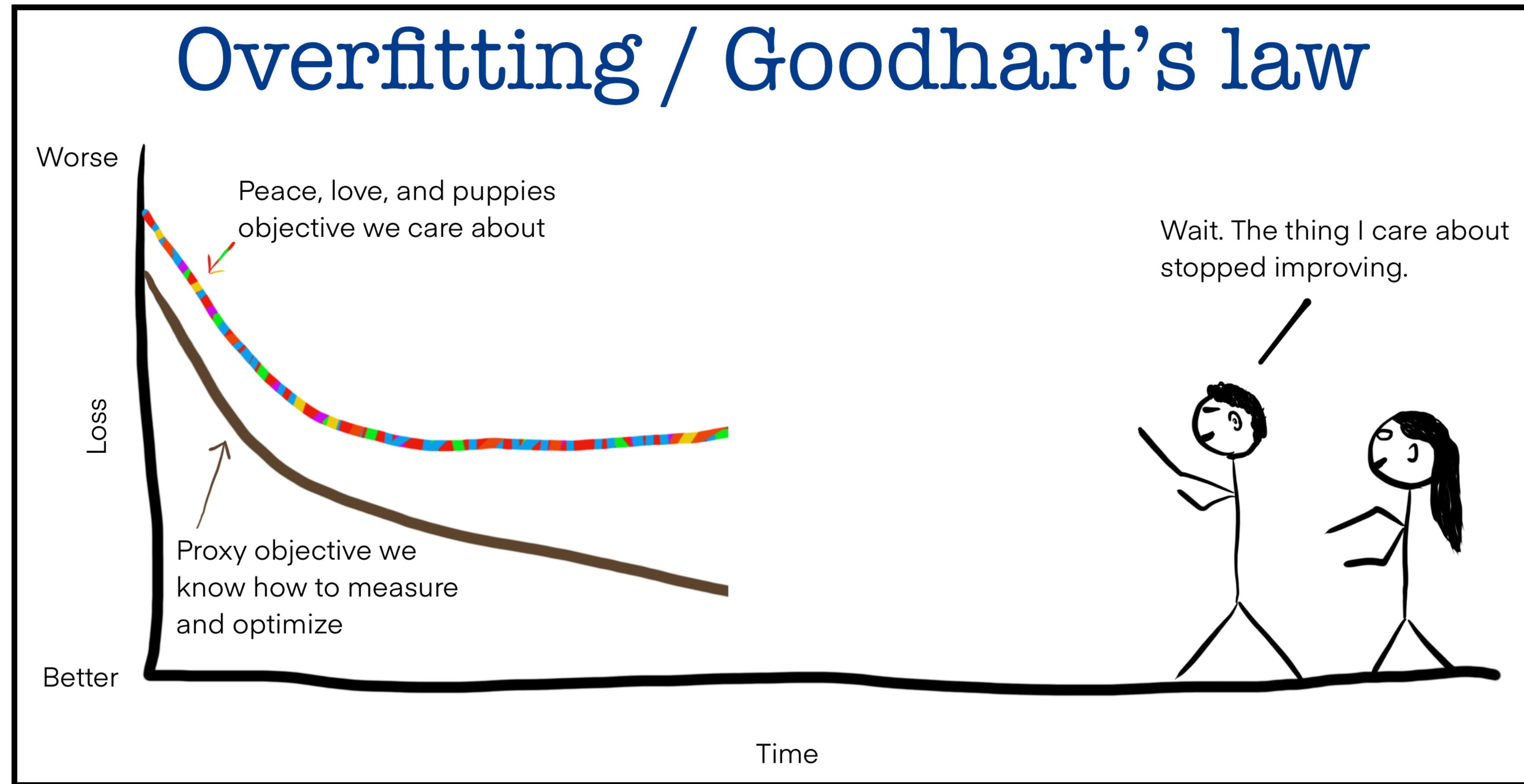
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