


Ethical Algo Design in the Generative Era



Generative AI

- What is it ?
- E.g. LLMs
- Next-word prediction
- Training, annotation
- History / precursors
- Embeddings
- Autoencoders / decoders

Fairness in GAI

- Compare e.g. group fairness in consumer lending
- Fairness in pronouns?
- In tone?
- Biases vs. correlations, use cases

Privacy in GAI

- Regurgitation
- Virtual copying
(e.g. code)
- Stylistic mimicry
(more later)
- Could do DP model
training, but
impractical

Toxicity

- Subjectivity
 & context
- Quotations
 & censorship
- Offensive
 opinions
- Nuance &
 indirection

Hallucinations

- Plausible but verifiably wrong
- E.g. citations

Copyright & IP Concerns

- Stylistic mimicry
- Threat to creative livelihoods?

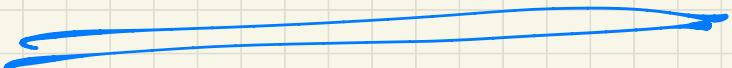
Plagiarism & Cheating

- College essays,
writing samples, etc.
- Tool vs. cheat ?
- Author verification

Disruption to Work

- Passing bar exams,
MBA courses, etc.
- IP concerns again

Approaches



Toxicity & Fairness

- Training data curation
- Must automate
 - human annotation (unpleasant)
- Train "guardrail" models
- Apply to training, prompts & output

Hallucinations

- User education
- Independent verification
- External sources
(e.g. citation DBs)
- Disclaimers
- Content attribution

Copyright & IP

- Tech, policy & legal mechanisms
- Content attribution & compensation
- Machine Unlearning & model disengagement
 - DP
 - Sharding

Author Verification

- Train model to detect human/LLM (arms race)
- Redlist/greenlist

Job disruption/creation

- Prompt engineers
 - “English is the new programming language”

Strongest
defense:

Use case

specialization