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- The fourth week of May 2025 marked one of the most vibrant and fast-paced periods in recent AI history.
- Significant developments occurred across research, industrial deployment, policy discussions, and venture investments.
- Research advancements included breakthroughs in large language model reasoning, multimodal understanding, safety alignment, and data-centric efficiency.
- Reinforcement learning frameworks like TAPO, Trinity-RFT, and QwenLong-L1 are now central to LLM research.
- Innovations such as Latent Flow Transformers, FP4 training on NVIDIA Blackwell, and token-compression strategies signal a shift toward leaner and more controllable architectures.
- Industry progress was reflected in releases from Google (Gemini 2.5), Anthropic (Claude 4 Opus), NVIDIA (Cosmos Reason1 7B), and Microsoft (Discovery platform), focusing on deeper reasoning and real-time usability.
- Hardware developments included AMD's new Threadrippers, NVIDIA's 800 V HVDC data center architecture, and plans for a massive one-gigawatt "Stargate" AI facility.
- The startup ecosystem showed momentum with funding for ventures in legal AI evaluation, aerospace autonomy, and privacy-preserving fine-tuning.
- Discussions on responsible AI remained active, emphasizing safety (SafePath, SafeKey), privacy (user-level differential privacy, backdoor risks), and interpretability (feature consistency in SAEs).
- The AI ecosystem is evolving to balance ambition with accountability, compute with compression, and innovation with governance.

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1.1	**Latent Flow Transformer**	The Latent Flow Transformer paper presents a new neural architecture aimed at enhancing large language models (LLMs). By introducing latent flow modules to the classic transformer structure, the model is able to better control and optimize the flow of information within its layers. This innovation results in improved performance for tasks requiring long-context understanding and complex, multi-step reasoning. Experimental results show that the Latent Flow Transformer achieves higher accuracy and consistency than traditional transformers, all while using fewer computational resources. The approach also supports better scalability and could help unlock new natural language processing applications.	By MediaTek Research		May 20, 2025
1.2	**Google Leapfrogs Competitors with Advanced AI for Deeper Thinking, Smarter Shopping, and Video Creation**	Google has unveiled groundbreaking AI models that significantly enhance capabilities in complex reasoning, personalized shopping assistance, and video generation with dialogue. Leveraging advancements in multimodal processing and large-scale training, these models can understand nuanced contexts, offer smarter product recommendations, and produce high-quality, dialogue-driven videos. This leap places Google ahead in the AI race, enabling more natural and creative interactions across applications. The technology is expected to impact sectors from e-commerce to content creation, setting a new benchmark for AI-driven user experiences.	By Michael Nuñez		May 20, 2025

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1.3	**Google's Jules Aims to Outperform Codex in the AI Developer Stack Battle**	Google has introduced Jules, a new AI coding assistant designed to rival and surpass OpenAI's Codex in developer productivity. Jules integrates deeply with Google's cloud ecosystem, offering enhanced code generation, debugging, and contextual understanding capabilities. It supports multiple programming languages and focuses on streamlining software development workflows with intelligent suggestions and automated code fixes. By leveraging advanced large language models and fine-tuned training on vast codebases, Jules aims to become the go-to tool for AI-assisted programming in the competitive AI developer tools market.	By Emilia David		May 20, 2025
1.4	**Emerging Properties in Unified Multimodal Pretraining**	**BAGEL**, a unified, open-source multimodal model using a decoder-only architecture. It is pretrained on trillions of tokens combining text, images, videos, and web data. This large-scale pretraining enables BAGEL to excel at complex multimodal tasks like free-form image editing, 3D object manipulation, video frame prediction, and navigating virtual environments. BAGEL demonstrates strong performance on standard benchmarks, outperforming previous open-source models in both multimodal generation and understanding. Its success highlights the potential of joint training across diverse data types to build powerful, general-purpose models for real-world multimodal AI applications.	By Chaorui Deng, et al.		May 20, 2025

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1.5	**Inside Google AI Leap: Gemini 2.5 Thinks Deeper, Speaks Smarter, Codes Faster**	Google's Gemini 2.5 represents a major advancement in large language models, delivering enhanced reasoning, natural language understanding, and coding capabilities. This update improves deep contextual comprehension, enabling more accurate and nuanced responses across conversational AI and coding tasks. Gemini 2.5 also supports multimodal inputs, allowing integration of images with text for richer interactions. Its faster code generation and debugging elevate developer efficiency. This iteration strengthens Google's competitive position by combining improved AI thinking, communication, and programming skills into one powerful platform.	By Taryn Plumb		May 20, 2025
1.6	**Google Introduces Lyria Realtime, a Music-Generating AI Model via API**	Google has launched Lyria Realtime, a new AI model designed to generate music in real-time, now accessible through Google's AI API platform. Lyria Realtime enables developers and creators to integrate dynamic music generation into their applications, allowing for adaptive and interactive audio experiences. This model leverages advanced generative techniques to produce high-quality compositions instantly, supporting various genres and moods. Google's move broadens creative AI applications, empowering developers to enhance multimedia content with seamless, AI-driven music generation.	By Kyle Wiggers		May 20, 2025

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1.7	**Google Outlines Vision for Universal AI Assistant with Flurry Model Features**	Google revealed its plan to build a universal AI assistant powered by its new Flurry model features. Flurry integrates advanced multimodal capabilities, combining text, images, and audio inputs for more natural and versatile interactions. The model supports continuous learning and personalization, enabling the assistant to adapt to user preferences and contexts over time. This initiative aims to unify AI functionalities across Google's ecosystem, delivering a seamless assistant experience that can handle diverse tasks—from scheduling to content creation—with improved accuracy and responsiveness.	By Mike Wheatley		May 20, 2025
1.8	**NExT-Search: Rebuilding User Feedback Ecosystem for Generative AI Search**	NExT-Search, a framework designed to enhance generative AI search systems by rebuilding the user feedback ecosystem. Unlike traditional web search, generative search often lacks rich intermediate feedback. NExT-Search proposes two feedback modes: User Debug Mode, which lets users provide detailed feedback across stages like query parsing and answer editing, and Shadow User Mode, where a simulated agent provides feedback based on personalized preferences. This feedback supports online adaptation and model improvement. The approach aims to make generative search systems more adaptive, transparent, and user-aligned through active human-in-the-loop learning.	By Sunhao Dai, et al.		May 20, 2025
1.9	**Microsoft Integrates Anthropic's AI**	Microsoft has announced the integration of Anthropic's AI coding agent into its GitHub platform, enhancing developers' productivity with advanced AI-	By Reuters		May 20, 2025

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	Coding Agent into GitHub Service	assisted coding features. The agent leverages Anthropic's cutting-edge language models to provide smarter code completions, error detection, and contextual suggestions across multiple programming languages. This collaboration aims to streamline software development workflows and accelerate coding efficiency for millions of users on GitHub. Microsoft continues to expand its AI ecosystem by partnering with leading AI research companies.			
1.10	**Google AI Releases MedGemma, an Open Suite for Medical Text and Image Comprehension**	Google AI has launched MedGemma, an open-source suite of AI models specialized in medical text and image understanding. Trained on extensive healthcare datasets, MedGemma excels at tasks such as medical report analysis, diagnostic image interpretation, and clinical data summarization. The models support both text and multimodal inputs, facilitating integrated comprehension of medical information. By providing accessible, high-performance tools, Google aims to accelerate AI adoption in healthcare, improving diagnostic accuracy and operational efficiency in medical research and clinical practice.	By Google Research		May 20, 2025
1.11	**Google Unveils Next-Gen Generative Media Models at I/O 2025**	At Google I/O 2025, Google introduced advanced generative media models capable of producing high-quality images, videos, and audio with unprecedented realism and interactivity. These models leverage multimodal AI techniques to generate content that can be dynamically customized, supporting creative workflows across industries such as entertainment, advertising, and education. Google emphasized ethical AI	By Eli Collins		May 20, 2025

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		use and integrated safeguards to prevent misuse. This launch showcases Google's commitment to pushing the boundaries of generative AI, enabling richer, more immersive digital media experiences.			
1.12	**NVIDIA Releases Cosmos Reason1 7B: A 7-Billion Parameter Reasoning-Focused LLM**	NVIDIA has open-sourced Cosmos Reason1 7B, a large language model designed for enhanced reasoning and problem-solving tasks. With 7 billion parameters, Cosmos Reason1 emphasizes logical deduction, complex question answering, and multi-step reasoning capabilities. The model supports efficient deployment on various hardware, including GPUs and specialized AI accelerators. NVIDIA's release aims to empower developers and researchers with a powerful, open LLM that balances size and performance, contributing to advances in AI reasoning applications across domains.	By NVIDIA Research		May 20, 2025
1.13	**Index Anisora: Open-Source Multimodal Model for Image and Text Understanding**	The IndexTeam has released Index Anisora, an open-source multimodal AI model capable of processing and understanding both images and text. Designed to enhance cross-modal applications, Anisora supports tasks like image captioning, visual question answering, and content retrieval. The model integrates advanced attention mechanisms to improve contextual alignment between visual and textual data, enabling more accurate and natural AI interactions. Its open availability promotes research and development in multimodal AI systems across diverse use cases.	By IndexTeam		May 20, 2025

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1.13	**OpenAI Updates Responses API with MCP Support, GPT-4o Image Generation, and Enterprise Features**	OpenAI has rolled out significant updates to its new Responses API, adding support for Model-Centric Programming (MCP), native image generation with GPT-4o, and various enterprise-focused features. MCP integration allows developers to fine-tune model behavior more efficiently, improving task-specific performance. GPT-4o's new image generation capabilities enable richer multimodal responses, expanding the API's use cases. These enhancements aim to deliver a more flexible, powerful toolset for developers, making the API a critical resource for creating advanced, AI-driven applications at scale in enterprise environments.	By Carl Franzen		May 21, 2025
1.14	**Mistral AI Launches DevStral, Open-Source SWE Agent Model for Laptops**	Mistral AI has launched DevStral, a powerful new open-source software engineering (SWE) agent model designed to run efficiently on laptops. This model, optimized for local deployment, offers advanced code generation, debugging, and problem-solving capabilities. With its focus on software development tasks, DevStral aims to enhance developer productivity by providing context-aware suggestions and error resolutions directly within the development environment. The open-source nature of DevStral makes it accessible to a wide range of developers, promoting innovation in local, AI-powered coding tools.	By Kyle Wiggers		May 21, 2025
1.15	**Google DeepMind Releases Gemma 3n: A Compact, High-Efficiency**	Google DeepMind has unveiled Gemma 3n, a compact and high-efficiency multimodal AI model optimized for real-time, on-device applications. Building upon the Gemma 3 family, Gemma 3n introduces a novel parameter-skipping technique that dynamically loads only the necessary	By Google Research		May 20, 2025

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	Multimodal AI Model for Real-Time On-Device Use	parameters based on the input modality—text, vision, or audio—significantly reducing memory usage and computational overhead. This innovation enables the model to operate efficiently on devices with limited resources, such as smartphones and edge devices, without compromising performance. Gemma 3n's architecture supports seamless integration across various platforms, marking a significant step toward more accessible and efficient AI deployment.			
1.16	**AceReason-Nemotron: Advancing Math and Code Reasoning through Reinforcement Learning**	AceReason-Nemotron enhances mathematical and coding reasoning in small to mid-sized language models using reinforcement learning (RL). The model undergoes a two-stage RL training process—first on math, then on code datasets—built from high-quality, verifiable prompts. Key techniques include curriculum learning with gradually increasing output lengths and stable on-policy updates. Evaluated on challenging benchmarks like AIME 2025 and LiveCodeBench, AceReason-Nemotron-7B and 14B show accuracy gains of 14.6% and 17.2%, respectively. This training-free, task-specific improvement strategy demonstrates strong reasoning gains without architectural changes, offering a practical path to smarter, smaller models for math and code generation.	By Yang Chen, et al.		May 22, 2025
1.17	**Claude 4 Opus: Anthropic's Most Advanced Language Model**	Anthropic's Claude 4 Opus is its most advanced language model to date, offering exceptional performance in complex reasoning, detailed content creation, and multi-turn dialogue. Opus demonstrates industry-leading accuracy on benchmarks such as MMLU, GPQA, and coding tasks, rivaling other top-tier models like GPT-4 and Gemini 1.5. It features robust safety systems to minimize hallucinations and harmful responses, while supporting extended context windows for enterprise-scale applications.	By Anthropic Team		May 22, 2025

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		Claude 4 Opus is available via API and the Claude web interface, powering both business and research use cases.			
1.18	**Anthropic Unveils Claude 4: Advanced LLM with Enhanced Reasoning and Safety**	Anthropic has launched Claude 4, the latest generation of its large language models, focusing on improved reasoning, factual accuracy, and safety. Claude 4 boasts better performance on complex tasks, multi-step reasoning, and contextual understanding compared to previous versions. It also incorporates enhanced safeguards to reduce harmful outputs and mitigate risks of misinformation or unethical behavior. Designed for enterprise and research applications, Claude 4 aims to set a new standard for responsible and effective AI deployments.	By Anthropic Team		May 22, 2025
1.19	**VeriThinker: Learning to Verify Makes Reasoning Model Efficient**	Large Reasoning Models (LRMs) are effective at complex tasks using Chain-of-Thought (CoT) reasoning, but often overthink, leading to unnecessarily long reasoning chains and high inference costs. We propose VeriThinker, a novel CoT compression method that avoids fine-tuning on task data. Instead, it fine-tunes LRMs on an auxiliary verification task, training them to judge the correctness of CoT steps. This makes LRMs more selective and reduces unnecessary self-reflection. VeriThinker shortens reasoning chains while preserving or improving accuracy, with strong results on MATH500 and AIME25. It also generalizes well to speculative reasoning in zero-shot settings.	By Zigeng Chen, et al.		May 23, 2025
1.20	**TabSTAR: A Foundation Tabular Model With**	Deep learning has often lagged behind GBDTs on tabular tasks, but new advances enable foundation models for tabular data, especially with free-text features. We present TabSTAR, a Tabular Foundation Model using Semantically Target-Aware Representations. Unlike prior methods with	By Alan Arazi, Eilam Shapira, Roi Reichart		May 23, 2025

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	Semantically Target-Aware Representations	static, target-agnostic embeddings, TabSTAR uses target tokens and an unfrozen pretrained text encoder to learn task-specific representations. It supports transfer learning across diverse datasets without dataset-specific parameters. TabSTAR achieves state-of-the-art results on classification benchmarks for medium and large datasets, and its pretraining follows scaling laws, suggesting performance improves with more diverse dataset exposure.			
1.21	**Google's World Model: Building the AI Operating Layer to Outpace Microsoft**	Google is betting on its "World Model" project to create an AI operating layer that integrates multimodal perception, reasoning, and memory across digital environments. By aiming to embed this foundational AI logic into the fabric of everyday applications and services, Google hopes to establish dominance before Microsoft captures the end-user interface layer. The World Model approach positions Google as a key infrastructure provider for AI-native experiences, offering persistent, context-aware intelligence that adapts to user needs across platforms.	By Matt Marshall		May 25, 2025
1.22	**ARM: Adaptive Reasoning Model**	Large language models often "overthink" by using excessive reasoning even for simple tasks, lacking the ability to adjust token use based on task difficulty. To address this, the Adaptive Reasoning Model (ARM) adaptively selects from four reasoning formats: Direct Answer, Short CoT, Code, and Long CoT. ARM is trained with Ada-GRPO, an improved version of Group Relative Policy Optimization that prevents format collapse. This enables ARM to cut token usage by ~30% on average (up to 70%) without performance loss. ARM supports three modes: Adaptive, Instruction-Guided, and Consensus-Guided, enhancing both efficiency and flexibility in reasoning.	By Siye Wu, et al.		May 26, 2025

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1.23	**Learning to Reason without External Rewards**	INTUITOR, a method that enables large language models to learn complex reasoning skills without external rewards or labeled data. Instead of relying on human feedback or predefined objectives, the model uses its own internal confidence—termed “self-certainty”—as a learning signal. This approach, called Reinforcement Learning from Internal Feedback (RLIF), allows fully unsupervised training. INTUITOR improves performance on tasks like math reasoning and code generation by selecting high-confidence outputs during training. The study shows that internal feedback can effectively guide model learning, offering a scalable path toward autonomous AI that learns and improves independently.	By Xuandong Zhao, et al.		May 26, 2025
1.24	**Done Is Better than Perfect: Unlocking Efficient Reasoning by Structured Multi-Turn Decomposition**	The paper presents MinD (Multi-Turn Decomposition), a framework that boosts the efficiency of large reasoning models by breaking down complex reasoning tasks into structured, sequential steps. Instead of relying on lengthy, single-pass reasoning, MinD divides problems into multiple manageable turns, enabling faster and more resource-efficient processing. Applied to tasks like math and code generation, MinD significantly reduces token usage and latency—especially time to first token—without sacrificing accuracy. This structured, incremental approach encourages more effective use of model capacity, offering a scalable solution for efficient reasoning in large language models across various domains.	By Zihao Zeng, et al.		May 26, 2025
1.25	**DoctorAgent-RL: A Multi-Agent Collaborative Reinforcement Learning System for Multi-Turn**	Large language models (LLMs) excel in biomedical question answering but struggle in real-world clinical consultations due to static, one-way communication methods and limited adaptability. To overcome these issues, the paper introduces DoctorAgent-RL, a reinforcement learning-based multi-agent framework that treats medical dialogue as a dynamic decision-making process. The doctor agent refines its questioning strategy	By Yichun Feng, et al.		May 26, 2025

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	Clinical Dialogue	through multi-turn interactions, guided by feedback from a Consultation Evaluator. This enables adaptive, clinically grounded reasoning beyond simple pattern imitation. The authors also present MTMedDialog, the first English multi-turn medical consultation dataset. Experiments show DoctorAgent-RL significantly improves diagnostic accuracy and reasoning over existing systems.			
1.26	**QWENLONG-L1: Towards Long-Context Large Reasoning Models with Reinforcement Learning**	Qwen researchers introduce QwenLong-L1, a reinforcement learning (RL) framework designed to improve long-context reasoning in large language models (LLMs). It features a three-stage training approach: supervised fine-tuning to initialize the model, curriculum-guided reinforcement learning for stable policy evolution, and difficulty-aware retrospective sampling to boost performance. QwenLong-L1-32B outperforms models like OpenAI-o3-mini and Qwen3-235B-A22B, and matches Claude-3.7-Sonnet-Thinking on long-document QA benchmarks. Technical innovations include Group Relative Policy Optimization (GRPO), Direct Alignment Policy Optimization (DAPO), and a hybrid reward mechanism. QwenLong-L1 enables LLMs to reason more effectively over long inputs in tasks like document understanding and multi-turn QA.	By Fanqi Wan, et al.		May 23, 2025

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2.1	**AMD Unveils New Threadripper CPUs and Radeon GPUs for Gamers at Computex 2025**	At Computex 2025, AMD announced its latest Threadripper CPUs and Radeon GPUs aimed at gamers and content creators. The new Threadripper processors deliver significant performance boosts with enhanced core counts and power efficiency, targeting high-end desktop workloads. The Radeon GPUs feature improved ray tracing and AI acceleration capabilities, powered by AMD's RDNA 3 architecture. These updates focus on optimizing gaming experiences and AI-powered graphics rendering, competing aggressively with NVIDIA's offerings. AMD's launch reinforces its commitment to delivering powerful hardware for AI-driven gaming and creative applications.	By Dean Takahashi		May 20, 2025
2.2	**German Chipmaker Infineon Partners with NVIDIA to Develop Power Delivery Chips**	German semiconductor company Infineon Technologies is collaborating with NVIDIA to develop advanced power delivery chips aimed at supporting next-generation AI hardware. These chips will enhance energy efficiency and thermal management for AI accelerators, ensuring stable and reliable performance in high-demand computing environments. The partnership leverages Infineon's expertise in power management and NVIDIA's leadership in AI processing, addressing critical hardware challenges as AI workloads scale. This collaboration reflects a broader industry trend of co-developing specialized components for AI infrastructure.	By Reuters		May 20, 2025
2.3	**NVIDIA introduces 800V HVDC architecture to power next-gen AI factories with megawatt-scale efficiency.**	NVIDIA has unveiled an 800V High-Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) architecture aimed at revolutionizing power delivery in AI data centers. Traditional 54V systems are inadequate for upcoming megawatt-scale racks, leading to inefficiencies and excessive copper usage. The new 800V HVDC system addresses these challenges by reducing energy losses, minimizing copper requirements, and freeing up rack space for computing components. Collaborating with industry leaders like Infineon, Delta, and	By Mathias Blake, et al.		May 20, 2025

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		Schneider Electric, NVIDIA plans to implement this architecture by 2027, ensuring scalable and efficient power solutions for future AI workloads.			
2.4	**NVIDIA CEO Jensen Huang Criticizes US Curbs on AI Chip Sales to China**	NVIDIA CEO Jensen Huang has publicly criticized recent U.S. restrictions on the sale of AI chips to China, arguing that these measures could undermine global innovation and disadvantage American tech companies. Huang emphasized that the restrictions could slow progress in AI development and force Chinese companies to seek alternative suppliers, potentially boosting competition from non-U.S. firms. He also warned that such policies could harm NVIDIA's business, as China is a key market for its advanced AI hardware. The comments highlight growing tensions in the tech industry over trade and technology controls.	By Maria Deutscher		May 20, 2025
2.5	**Lenovo Reports 64% Profit Decline in Fiscal Q4**	Lenovo has reported a significant 64% drop in its profits for fiscal Q4 2025, citing weaker demand for personal computers and higher costs of components. The company's performance reflects the broader global tech slowdown, with reduced consumer spending impacting PC sales. Despite the drop, Lenovo remains focused on expanding its AI capabilities in data centers and enterprise solutions, aligning with industry trends towards AI-driven infrastructure. The company has also announced plans to streamline its operations to improve profitability in the upcoming quarters.	By Che Pan and Brenda Goh		May 20, 2025
2.6	**Nvidia RTX PRO 6000D (B40) Blackwell GPUs reportedly set to supersede banned**	NVIDIA is preparing to launch the RTX Pro 6000D (B40) GPUs in China to replace the H20 accelerators that were banned under updated U.S. export restrictions. Based on the new Blackwell architecture, these GPUs are designed to comply with trade regulations while offering high AI performance. Unlike the H20, the 6000D reportedly uses GDDR memory instead of HBM and lacks NVLink support. It may rely on Ethernet-based	By Hassam Nasir		May 25, 2025

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	H20 accelerators in China	networking instead. Expected to launch around mid-2025, the RTX Pro 6000D targets AI workloads like LLMs and video analytics, offering a more affordable, legal alternative for the Chinese market.			

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3.1	**Think Only When You Need with Large Hybrid-Reasoning Models**	**Large Hybrid-Reasoning Models (LHRMs)**, a framework that helps large language models decide when to apply deep reasoning like chain-of-thought. Rather than reasoning through every prompt, LHRMs adaptively choose whether to "think" based on question difficulty. The model is trained using a two-stage process: Hybrid Fine-Tuning (HFT) and Hybrid Group Policy Optimization (HGPO), allowing it to balance performance and efficiency. A new “Hybrid Accuracy” metric evaluates reasoning quality. Results show LHRMs outperform traditional models by reducing unnecessary computation while maintaining high accuracy across both simple and complex tasks.	By Lingjie Jiang, et al.		May 20, 2025
3.2	**Not All Correct Answers Are Equal: Why Your Distillation Source Matters**	This paper examines how the source of distillation data affects the reasoning abilities of student language models. Using three teacher models—AM-Thinking-v1, Qwen3-235B-A22B, and DeepSeek-R1—the authors distill 1.89 million examples and train student models. These students are evaluated on reasoning benchmarks like AIME2024, MATH500, and LiveCodeBench. Results show that data distilled from AM-Thinking-v1 leads to consistently better performance. The findings highlight that not all correct answers are equally useful for training, and the quality of reasoning traces is key. Datasets from the study are publicly released for future research.	By Xiaoyu Tian, et al.		May 20, 2025
3.3	**Reward Reasoning Model**	Reward Reasoning Models (RRMs), which improve reward modeling in large language models by adaptively applying reasoning during inference. Instead of treating all inputs equally, RRMs invoke chain-of-thought steps only for complex queries, allowing deeper evaluation when needed. This hybrid strategy boosts reward prediction accuracy without excessive computation. The model excels across various reward modeling	By Jiaxin Guo, et al.		May 20, 2025

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		benchmarks, even in reinforcement learning setups with unlabeled data. RRMs represent a step toward aligning LLM outputs more closely with human preferences by combining efficiency with thoughtful reasoning where it matters most.			
3.4	**Lessons from Defending Gemini Against Indirect Prompt Injections**	This paper presents lessons learned from defending Google DeepMind's Gemini model against indirect prompt injections. Gemini integrates with tools and APIs, making it vulnerable to adversarial inputs embedded in user data. To address this, researchers developed a continuous adversarial evaluation framework that simulates attacks on current and future model versions. By using adaptive attack strategies, they identified vulnerabilities and implemented defenses to improve Gemini's robustness. The study emphasizes the importance of ongoing testing and proactive security measures for large language models interacting with external content or systems.	By Chongyang Shi, et al.		May 20, 2025
3.5	**General-Reasoner: Advancing LLM Reasoning Across All Domains**	General-Reasoner, a framework to improve reasoning in large language models (LLMs) across various domains such as physics, finance, and engineering. It introduces a high-quality dataset called WebInstruct-verified, featuring diverse, expert-level questions with verified answers. Instead of using rule-based methods, the framework uses a model-based verifier leveraging chain-of-thought and contextual awareness. General-Reasoner is trained with a "Zero" reinforcement learning approach, avoiding the need for supervised fine-tuning. Evaluated on 12 benchmarks like MMLU-Pro and TheoremQA, it consistently outperforms prior models, showing strong reasoning performance in both high- and low-resource subject areas.	By Xueguang Ma, et al.		May 20, 2025

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3.6	**UltraEdit enables efficient, memory-free lifelong editing in large language models using lightweight linear algebra operations.**	The paper introduces UltraEdit, a novel method for lifelong editing in large language models (LLMs) that is training-, subject-, and memory-free. Unlike previous approaches, UltraEdit performs edits through lightweight linear algebra operations, allowing for rapid and consistent parameter modifications with minimal overhead. It employs a lifelong normalization strategy to adapt to distributional shifts over time. UltraEdit achieves editing speeds over seven times faster than prior methods while consuming less than one-third of the VRAM, enabling edits on 7B LLMs using 24GB consumer-grade GPUs. The authors also present ULTRAEDITBENCH, a dataset with over 2 million editing pairs, demonstrating the method's scalability and accuracy.	By Xiaojie Gu, et al.		May 20, 2025
3.7	**Native FP4 LLM training on NVIDIA Blackwell.**	A recent study introduces "Quartet," a novel approach facilitating accurate, end-to-end FP4 (4-bit floating point) training for large language models (LLMs). Utilizing NVIDIA's Blackwell architecture, Quartet performs major computations in low precision, addressing the accuracy degradation typically associated with FP4 training. Extensive evaluations on Llama-type models reveal a new low-precision scaling law, quantifying performance trade-offs across varying bit-widths. The implementation, optimized with CUDA kernels for NVIDIA GPUs, demonstrates that fully FP4-based training can match the accuracy of standard-precision and FP8 training, offering a competitive alternative in terms of accuracy versus computation.	By Roberto L. Castro, et al.		May 20, 2025
3.8	**SAFEPATH reduces harmful outputs in reasoning models with minimal cost.**	SAFEPATH is a novel alignment technique designed to mitigate harmful outputs in large reasoning models (LRMs). It fine-tunes LRMs to emit an 8-token "Safety Primer" at the start of their reasoning process in response to harmful prompts, leaving the rest of the reasoning unsupervised. Empirical results demonstrate that SAFEPATH reduces harmful responses by up to	By Wonje Jeung, et al.		May 20, 2025

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		90.0% and blocks 83.3% of jailbreak attempts in the DeepSeek-R1-Distill-Llama-8B model. Notably, it achieves these results while requiring significantly less computational resources compared to existing methods like Direct Refusal and SafeChain. A zero-shot variant of SAFEPATH is also introduced, requiring no fine-tuning.			
3.9	**Scaling Law for Quantization-Aware Training**	Quantization-Aware Training (QAT) scales for large language models, especially in 4-bit precision settings (W4A4). The authors introduce a unified scaling law that captures how quantization errors depend on model size, dataset size, and quantization group size. They analyze how these errors from weights and activations affect model performance. Through empirical validation across multiple models and sizes, they demonstrate the accuracy of their proposed law. This research provides practical insights for optimizing QAT, helping improve the deployment of large models on resource-constrained hardware with minimal accuracy loss.	By Mengzhao Chen, et al.		May 20, 2025
3.10	**Diffusion vs. Autoregressive Language Models: A Text Embedding Perspective**	Large language model (LLM)-based embedding models have recently outperformed BERT and T5 models in general-purpose text embedding tasks like document retrieval. However, their autoregressive pre-training relies on unidirectional attention, which conflicts with the bidirectional nature required for embedding tasks. To address this, we explore diffusion language models, which naturally support bidirectional attention and have shown promise in reasoning tasks. In this first systematic study, our diffusion-based embedding model outperforms LLM-based models by 20% in long-document retrieval, 8% in reasoning retrieval, and 2% in instruction-following tasks, while remaining competitive on standard benchmarks—highlighting the value of bidirectional attention.	By Siyue Zhang, et al.		May 21, 2025

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3.11	**Learn to Reason Efficiently with Adaptive Length-based Reward Shaping**	Large Reasoning Models (LRMs) solve complex problems well but often generate unnecessarily long and redundant reasoning traces. To address this, the paper proposes LASER, a reward shaping method that encourages efficient reasoning by using a step function based on target length. LASER achieves better performance-efficiency tradeoffs than prior approaches. The method is extended to LASER-D, which adapts rewards dynamically during training and penalizes long reasoning more for easier tasks. Tested on various DeepSeek-R1-Distill-Qwen models, LASER-D improves AIME2024 scores by 6.1 points while cutting token use by 63%, yielding more concise, effective reasoning with less redundancy.	By Wei Liu, et al.		May 21, 2025
3.12	**Be Careful When Fine-tuning On Open-Source LLMs: Your Fine-tuning Data Could Be Secretly Stolen!**	Fine-tuning open-source Large Language Models (LLMs) with proprietary data is common, but this paper uncovers a serious risk: the original model creators can extract private fine-tuning data using a backdoor attack, needing only black-box access to the fine-tuned model. Experiments across four open-source models (3B–32B) and two datasets show high extraction rates—up to 76.3% in real-world conditions and 94.9% in ideal scenarios. Even detection-based defenses are shown to be vulnerable. This discovery raises urgent concerns about data privacy in fine-tuning, calling for further research to develop stronger safeguards against such backdoor threats.	By Zhexin Zhang, et al.		May 21, 2025
3.13	**Text Generation Beyond Discrete Token Sampling**	In standard autoregressive generation, LLMs sample a discrete token from the predicted distribution and discard the rest. To retain this valuable information, the authors propose Mixture of Inputs (MoI), a training-free method that blends the sampled token with the full token distribution using Bayesian estimation. Instead of feeding a one-hot vector, MoI inputs a continuous posterior expectation, preserving richer context during	By Yufan Zhuang, et al.		May 20, 2025

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		generation. This approach enhances internal representations, improving output quality and reasoning. MoI shows consistent performance gains in mathematical reasoning, code generation, and PhD-level QA across models like QwQ-32B and Gemma-3-27B, with minimal computational cost.			
3.14	**Language Specific Knowledge: Do Models Know Better in X than in English?**	Code-switching reflects how people naturally prefer certain languages for specific topics. Inspired by this, the authors explore whether language models also hold more knowledge on some topics in certain languages—a concept they term Language Specific Knowledge (LSK). Using culture-specific datasets, they show that models often reason better in culturally aligned languages, sometimes even outperforming English in low-resource languages. They introduce LSKExtractor, a method to benchmark and utilize this knowledge during inference. Across various models and datasets, they report a 10% accuracy gain, supporting the development of culturally aware, inclusive, and linguistically aligned open-source language models.	By Ishika Agarwal, et al.		May 21, 2025
3.15	**Tool-Star: Empowering LLM-Brained Multi-Tool Reasoner via Reinforcement Learning Researchers Benchmark LLMs on Moral Endorsement, Find**	Large language models (LLMs) have recently excelled in reasoning tasks through large-scale reinforcement learning (RL). Yet, enabling LLMs to effectively collaborate with multiple tools via RL remains a challenge. We present Tool-Star, an RL-based framework that empowers LLMs to autonomously use six external tools during step-by-step reasoning. It features a novel data synthesis pipeline using tool-integrated prompting and hint-based sampling to generate tool-use trajectories, filtered and ranked by quality and difficulty. Tool-Star employs a two-stage training approach: cold-start fine-tuning for tool-use exploration, and a multi-tool self-critic RL with hierarchical rewards to improve collaborative reasoning.	By Guanting Dong, et al. By Emilia David		May 22, 2025

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	Sycophancy Persists	Following backlash over GPT-4o's behavior, researchers conducted comprehensive benchmarks on major language models to assess moral endorsement and sycophancy. The findings reveal that leading models, including GPT-4o, Claude, and Gemini, still frequently agree with user-provided moral positions—even when those stances are questionable. This persistent sycophancy raises concerns about LLMs' reliability in sensitive scenarios, highlighting the need for better alignment techniques to mitigate uncritical agreement and encourage more principled, independent reasoning in AI outputs.			
3.16	**Scaling Reasoning, Losing Control: Evaluating Instruction Following in Large Reasoning Models**	Instruction-following is key to aligning large language models (LLMs) with user intent, yet remains understudied in mathematical reasoning tasks. We introduce MathIF, a benchmark designed to evaluate how well LLMs follow instructions in this domain. Our findings show a trade-off: as reasoning ability improves, instruction adherence declines—especially in models trained with long chain-of-thought or reinforcement learning strategies. This issue worsens with longer outputs. However, simple interventions can partially restore obedience, though they often reduce reasoning performance. These results reveal a core challenge in LLM training and emphasize the need for instruction-sensitive reasoning approaches.	By Tingchen Fu, et al.		May 20, 2025
3.17	**Backdoor Cleaning without External Guidance in MLLM Fine-tuning**	Multimodal Large Language Models (MLLMs) used in fine-tuning-as-a-service (FTaaS) face growing security threats, as malicious datasets can easily embed backdoors. This paper introduces attention collapse—a disruption in cross-modal attention that focuses on irrelevant input regions. Leveraging this, we propose BYE (Believe Your Eyes), a self-supervised data filtering framework. BYE uses a three-step process: extract attention maps, compute entropy scores to profile sensitive layers, and apply	By Xuankun Rong, et al.		May 22, 2025

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		unsupervised clustering to detect and discard backdoor samples. Unlike prior methods, BYE needs no clean data, labels, or model changes, yet effectively blocks attacks while preserving clean-task accuracy across multiple MLLMs and datasets.			
3.18	**Think or Not? Selective Reasoning via Reinforcement Learning for Vision-Language Models**	Reinforcement Learning (RL) enhances reasoning in vision-language models (VLMs), but methods like Group Relative Policy Optimization (GRPO) increase computation by always generating full reasoning traces. Inspired by how humans skip reasoning for simple tasks, we propose TON—a two-stage training method. First, supervised fine-tuning with "thought dropout" randomly removes reasoning traces to establish a think-or-not pattern. Then, GRPO lets the model learn when reasoning is necessary by optimizing task-aware rewards. TON reduces output length by up to 90% without harming—and often improving—performance. Across tasks and model sizes, TON enables efficient, human-like reasoning by skipping unneeded steps.	By Jiaqi Wang, et al.		May 22, 2025
3.19	**Training-Free Reasoning and Reflection in MLLMs**	Recent reasoning LLMs like DeepSeek-R1 and OpenAI-o1 excel via reinforcement learning, but applying such reasoning to Multimodal LLMs (MLLMs) is limited by costly retraining and data scarcity. We introduce FRANK, a training-free, r1-like MLLM that adds reasoning and reflection to existing MLLMs—without gradient updates or extra supervision. Leveraging the insight that shallow decoder layers attend to visual input and deeper layers to text, we design a hierarchical weight fusion method. This Taylor-based fusion preserves visual grounding while integrating reasoning. FRANK-38B achieves 69.2 accuracy on MMMU, surpassing InternVL2.5-38B by +5.3 and outperforming GPT-4o.	By Hongchen Wei, Zhenzhong Chen		May 22, 2025

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3.20	**SafeKey: Amplifying Aha-Moment Insights for Safety Reasoning**	Large Reasoning Models (LRMs) excel at complex tasks by reasoning before answering but face risks from harmful queries and jailbreak attacks. While supervised fine-tuning (SFT) improves safety, it struggles with unseen prompts. We identify a "safety aha moment"—a key sentence during generation that signals safe reasoning. Based on this, we introduce SafeKey, a method with two components: (1) a Dual-Path Safety Head to strengthen internal safety signals, and (2) Query-Mask Modeling to boost attention on safety-relevant input. SafeKey reduces harmful response rates by 9.6% across benchmarks, while preserving performance, by reshaping attention and internal representations.	By Kaiwen Zhou, et al.		May 22, 2025
.3.21	**QwenLong-CPRS: Towards \infty-LLMs with Dynamic Context Optimization**	QwenLong-CPRS, a novel framework to optimize large language models (LLMs) for handling extremely long input contexts. It tackles inefficiencies and common issues like "lost in the middle" by introducing dynamic context compression guided by natural language instructions. Key innovations include bidirectional reasoning layers for boundary awareness, token critic modules to retain crucial tokens, and window-parallel inference for faster processing. This approach achieves over 21× context compression and significantly improves accuracy. Compatible with models like GPT-4o and Claude 3.7, QwenLong-CPRS sets new benchmarks in efficient, scalable long-context LLM performance.	By Weizhou Shen, et al.		May 23, 2025
3.22	**QwenLong-L1: Towards Long-Context Large Reasoning Models with Reinforcement Learning**	Recent large reasoning models (LRMs) show strong reasoning via reinforcement learning (RL), but mainly in short-context tasks. Extending these abilities to long-context scenarios remains a key challenge due to training inefficiencies and unstable optimization. To address this, the paper introduces QwenLong-L1, a framework that scales short-context LRMs progressively for long-context reasoning. It uses supervised fine-tuning to	By Fanqi Wan, et al.		May 23, 2025

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		set a solid policy foundation, curriculum-guided RL for stable learning, and difficulty-aware sampling to boost exploration. Evaluated on seven benchmarks, QwenLong-L1-32B outperforms top models like OpenAI-o3-mini and matches Claude-3.7-Sonnet, pushing forward long-context LRM capabilities.			
3.23	**Thought-Augmented Policy Optimization: Bridging External Guidance and Internal Capabilities**	Thought-Augmented Policy Optimization: Bridging External Guidance and Internal Capabilities introduces a novel reinforcement learning (RL) framework named TAPO. This framework enhances large language models' (LLMs) reasoning abilities by integrating external high-level guidance, termed "thought patterns," during training. These thought patterns are abstracted from prior samples and serve as structured reasoning templates. By dynamically incorporating these templates, TAPO balances internal model exploration with external guidance, leading to improved reasoning performance. Experiments demonstrate that TAPO significantly outperforms existing RL methods across various benchmarks, highlighting its potential for broader applications.	By Jinyang Wu, et al.		May 21, 2025
3.24	**Distilling LLM Agent into Small Models with Retrieval and Code Tools**	Agent Distillation, a framework for transferring the reasoning and task-solving skills of large language model (LLM) agents into much smaller models (sLMs). It uses techniques like First-Thought Prefix Prompting to guide early reasoning steps and Self-Consistent Action Generation to enhance test-time reliability. These small models, with as few as 0.5B parameters, can integrate retrieval and code tools to solve complex reasoning tasks. Evaluated on eight benchmarks, sLMs trained with this method match or outperform those trained with traditional chain-of-thought distillation, showing a promising direction for efficient, high-performing LLM compression.	By Minki Kang, et al.		May 23, 2025

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3.25	**Fine-tuning LLMs with user-level differential privacy**	Google researchers have developed a method to fine-tune large language models (LLMs) using **user-level differential privacy (DP)**, which protects all data from an individual, not just single examples. They compared two DP training techniques—example-level and user-level sampling—and found user-level often performs better when users contribute many examples. This approach allows models to learn effectively from private data without exposing sensitive user information. The method is especially useful in domains like healthcare or personal assistants, where privacy is essential. The research provides a path to safely improve LLMs with strong privacy guarantees during training.	By Google Research		May 23, 2025
3.26	**Reasoning Model is Stubborn: Diagnosing Instruction Overriding in Reasoning Models**	Large language models (LLMs) often fail to follow new instructions when reasoning, instead sticking to familiar patterns—a phenomenon called reasoning rigidity. This paper investigates how and why LLMs override explicit instructions during reasoning tasks. The authors introduce ReasoningTrap, a diagnostic benchmark designed to capture and categorize these behaviors. They find that LLMs frequently resist changes in reasoning styles, even when prompted clearly. By identifying distinct override modes, the study highlights a key limitation in current models and provides a foundation for future work aimed at improving instruction-following and adaptability in LLM reasoning processes.	By Doohyuk Jang, et al.		May 22, 2025
3.27	**Teaching with Lies: Curriculum DPO on Synthetic Negatives for Hallucination Detection**	Detecting hallucinations in large language models (LLMs) is challenging due to the high quality of hallucinated responses. We propose a method using Direct Preference Optimization (DPO) with curriculum learning and synthetic hallucinations as negative examples. Training starts with easier examples—those with larger probability drops from fact-checking models—and gradually progresses to harder ones, enabling stable learning. Our	By Shrey Pandit, et al.		May 23, 2025

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		HaluCheck models, trained with this approach, show up to 24% improvement on difficult benchmarks like MedHallu and HaluEval. They also perform strongly in zero-shot scenarios, outperforming larger state-of-the-art models across various hallucination detection benchmarks.			
3.28	**Teaching Large Language Models to Maintain Contextual Faithfulness via Synthetic Tasks and Reinforcement Learning**	Ensuring that large language models (LLMs) remain faithful to context is vital for trustworthy information systems. We introduce CANOE, a framework that boosts LLM faithfulness in both short- and long-form outputs without human annotations. It begins by generating high-quality, verifiable short-form QA data from four synthetic tasks. We also present Dual-GRPO, a reinforcement learning approach using three rule-based rewards from the synthetic QA data to optimize both output types. Dual-GRPO avoids manual preference labeling and overfitting. Experiments across 11 tasks show CANOE significantly enhances faithfulness, outperforming advanced models like GPT-4o and OpenAI o1.	By Shuzheng Si, et al.		May 22, 2025
3.29	**Trinity-RFT: A General-Purpose and Unified Framework for Reinforcement Fine-Tuning of Large Language Models**	Trinity-RFT is a versatile and scalable framework for reinforcement fine-tuning (RFT) of large language models. It features a modular design with three core components: (1) an RFT-core that unifies various training modes—synchronous/asynchronous, on-policy/off-policy, and online/offline; (2) efficient agent-environment integration for robust interactions; and (3) streamlined data pipelines tailored for RFT. Trinity-RFT supports a wide range of applications and enables exploration of advanced reinforcement learning methods. This report presents the framework's vision, architecture, and implementation, highlighting its adaptability and ease of use through practical examples that demonstrate its power and flexibility in fine-tuning LLMs.	By Xuchen Pan, et al.		May 23, 2025

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3.30	**Speechless: Speech Instruction Training Without Speech for Low Resource Languages**	Speechless, a novel training approach that enables large language models (LLMs) to follow spoken instructions without requiring traditional text-to-speech (TTS) systems. Designed for low-resource languages, Speechless avoids costly speech data collection by aligning synthetic semantic tokens with representations from a pretrained Whisper speech encoder. This allows LLMs to be trained on text-based instructions while retaining the ability to understand speech at inference. The method significantly reduces resource needs and expands accessibility for building voice-enabled systems in underserved languages, offering a scalable and efficient solution for speech instruction learning without actual speech data.	By Alan Dao (Gia Tuan Dao), et al.		May 23, 2025
3.31	**Augmenting LLM Reasoning with Dynamic Notes Writing for Complex QA**	NotesWriting, a technique to enhance large language model (LLM) reasoning in complex question answering by dynamically generating concise notes during retrieval-augmented generation (RAG). At each step, the model summarizes key points from retrieved documents into brief notes, helping reduce redundancy and noise while retaining essential context. This method mitigates context overflow and improves the model's focus, effectively extending usable context length. NotesWriting is framework-agnostic, requires no fine-tuning, and integrates easily with existing RAG systems. Experiments show it significantly improves performance across multiple complex QA benchmarks, demonstrating its value for iterative reasoning tasks.	By Rishabh Maheshwary, et al.		May 22, 2025
3.32	**Omni-R1: Reinforcement Learning for Omnimodal**	The paper introduces a unified framework focused on improving the efficiency of long-context language models through token compression. As language models process increasingly longer sequences from documents, images, and videos, traditional scaling becomes unsustainable due to computational costs. The authors argue for a shift from model-centric to	By Hao Zhong, et al.		May 26, 2025

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	Reasoning via Two-System Collaboration	data-centric efficiency, emphasizing that reducing the number of tokens—rather than model size—is key. They analyze existing token compression techniques, their benefits, challenges, and potential across tasks and modalities. This work aims to inspire more efficient LLM designs by highlighting token compression as a critical strategy for managing long-context computational demands.			
3.33	**Rethinking the Sampling Criteria in Reinforcement Learning for LLM Reasoning: A Competence-Difficulty Alignment Perspective**	Reinforcement learning can enhance large language models' reasoning, but suffers from low sample efficiency during rollouts. Existing methods schedule tasks by difficulty, yet often misestimate difficulty and ignore alignment with model competence. This paper proposes Competence-Difficulty Alignment Sampling (CDAS), which improves difficulty estimation by analyzing past performance discrepancies. CDAS quantifies model competence and selects tasks that match its current skill level using a fixed-point method. On challenging math benchmarks, CDAS significantly improves accuracy and efficiency. It outperforms baseline methods and is 2.33 times faster than Dynamic Sampling, a top strategy in DAPO, making it both effective and scalable.	By Deyang Kong, et al.		May 23, 2025
3.34	**Position: Mechanistic Interpretability Should Prioritize Feature Consistency in SAEs**	Sparse Autoencoders (SAEs) are widely used in mechanistic interpretability (MI) to extract interpretable features from neural activations. However, inconsistent features across training runs hinder the reliability of MI research. This paper argues that feature consistency—reliable convergence to similar features—should be a priority in MI. The authors introduce Pairwise Dictionary Mean Correlation Coefficient (PW-MCC) as a metric for measuring consistency, showing it can reach 0.80 on LLM activations with proper architectures. They validate PW-MCC theoretically and experimentally, demonstrating that consistent features align with	By Xiangchen Song, et al.		May 26, 2025

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		semantic meaning. The paper advocates for adopting consistency metrics to support reproducible and meaningful MI research.			
3.35	**The Coverage Principle: A Framework for Understanding Compositional Generalization**	The paper introduces the Coverage Principle, a framework for understanding how large language models (LLMs), particularly Transformers, generalize in compositional tasks. It emphasizes a data-centric view, showing that successful generalization depends not just on model architecture but on the structural coverage of training data. The authors analyze when and why models succeed or fail at compositional generalization, providing formal definitions and empirical evaluations. Their findings suggest that improving generalization requires aligning training data with target task structures. This work offers new insights into LLM limitations and guidance for designing datasets and models that better handle compositional reasoning.	By Hoyeon Chang, et al.		May 26, 2025
3.36	**Interleaved Reasoning for Large Language Models via Reinforcement Learning**	The paper proposes a new training paradigm to enhance reasoning efficiency in large language models (LLMs) through interleaved reasoning, where the model alternates between thinking and answering. Using reinforcement learning methods like PPO, GRPO, and REINFORCE++, the approach introduces a rule-based reward function that encourages accurate and concise multi-hop reasoning. This interleaved setup allows the model to emit intermediate answers early, reducing time-to-first-token (TTFT) while maintaining or improving final accuracy. The method avoids external tools and is end-to-end trainable, offering a scalable, efficient solution for tasks such as complex question answering and logical reasoning in LLMs.	By Roy Xie, et al.		May 26, 2025

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3.37	**Shifting AI Efficiency From Model-Centric to Data-Centric Compression**	This paper advocates for a shift in AI efficiency strategies—from model-centric scaling to data-centric compression. As large language models (LLMs) and multi-modal LLMs grow in size, hardware limits make it unsustainable to rely solely on increasing parameters. The authors propose token compression as a key solution to reduce the computational burden caused by long token sequences from extended text, high-resolution images, and videos. They present a unified mathematical framework for efficiency and review recent advances in token compression. This approach aims to improve performance, lower resource demands, and enable more scalable, efficient AI across diverse applications.	By Xuyang Liu, et al.		May 25, 2025

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4.1	**Google Launches NotebookLM Mobile App, Enhancing AI Note-Taking Experience**	Google officially launched its NotebookLM mobile app at I/O 2025, bringing AI-powered note-taking capabilities to smartphones. The app integrates large language models to summarize, organize, and retrieve notes efficiently, allowing users to interact naturally with their data. It supports multi-modal inputs, including text, images, and PDFs, improving workflow for students, professionals, and creatives. Google emphasizes privacy, processing data locally when possible, and offers seamless syncing across devices. This launch marks a significant step in making AI-assisted productivity tools accessible and user-friendly on mobile platforms.	By Kyle Wigger.		May 20, 2025
4.2	**Microsoft's AI Platform Accelerates Chemical Discovery to 200 Hours**	Microsoft has unveiled "Microsoft Discovery," an AI-driven platform designed to expedite scientific research by enabling natural language interactions with high-performance computing resources. Demonstrating its power, the platform discovered a novel coolant for data center immersion cooling in just 200 hours—a process that traditionally takes years. By screening 367,000 potential compounds and partnering for synthesis, Microsoft is democratizing access to advanced research tools. This enables scientists without programming expertise to harness AI and supercomputing for accelerated innovation.	By Michael Nuñez		May 19, 2025
4.3	**Google's NotebookLM Adds Video Overviews to Enhance Note Summarization**	Google's NotebookLM is expanding its AI-powered note-taking capabilities by introducing video overviews. This new feature generates concise video summaries of users' notes, combining visual and audio elements for more engaging and accessible content review. The update supports multimodal input, improving knowledge retention and facilitating faster information digestion. By integrating video summaries, Google aims to enhance productivity tools for students, professionals, and creatives, making complex information easier to comprehend and share.	By Aisha Malik		May 20, 2025

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4.4	**Reasoning Models Better Express Their Confidence**	This paper explores how large language models (LLMs) that use reasoning—especially chain-of-thought (CoT) prompting—are better at expressing calibrated confidence. The authors evaluate six models across six datasets and find that reasoning-based models outperform others in 33 of 36 settings. This advantage is linked to “slow thinking” behaviors, such as considering alternatives and revising answers. These dynamics help the models adjust confidence levels throughout the process. The study suggests that encouraging reasoning strategies can make LLMs more reliable and trustworthy, particularly in tasks that require accurate self-assessment or decision-making under uncertainty.	By Dongkeun Yoon, et al.		May 20, 2025
4.5	**Glean Launches Upgraded Agents Toolkit and New Development Tools**	Glean has unveiled an upgraded Agents Toolkit designed to enhance AI-powered productivity and automation. The new tools enable developers to build smarter AI agents capable of complex workflows, improved integrations, and personalized user interactions. The upgraded toolkit supports more efficient agent training, debugging, and deployment, making it easier to customize AI agents for specific business needs. Glean aims to empower organizations to automate routine tasks and streamline information retrieval, boosting operational efficiency across enterprises.	By Maria Deutscher		May 20, 2025
4.6	**Google Workspace to Receive New Multimodal AI Automation Features**	Google Workspace is rolling out advanced multimodal AI automation features aimed at boosting productivity and collaboration. These updates integrate AI capabilities that combine text, images, and other data types to automate routine tasks like document summarization, content generation, and data extraction across apps such as Docs, Sheets, and Slides. The enhancements leverage Google’s Gemini AI models to deliver smarter workflows and intuitive user experiences, helping businesses save time and	By Maria Deutscher		May 20, 2025

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		reduce manual effort. This development underscores Google's commitment to embedding AI deeply into everyday work tools.			
4.7	**Red Hat Linux Receives Generative AI Upgrade and New Administrative Tools**	Red Hat Linux has integrated generative AI capabilities into its platform, enhancing system administration and user productivity. The upgrade includes AI-powered automation for routine tasks such as system monitoring, patch management, and configuration. Administrators can now leverage AI to generate scripts, troubleshoot issues, and optimize resource allocation more efficiently. These enhancements aim to simplify complex workflows and reduce manual overhead, making Red Hat Linux a more intelligent and adaptive environment for enterprise users.	By Paul Gillin		May 20, 2025
4.8	**Cohere Partners with SAP to Embed Generative AI Across Enterprise Applications**	Cohere announced a strategic partnership with SAP to integrate generative AI capabilities into SAP's enterprise software suite. This collaboration aims to enhance business processes with AI-driven natural language understanding, content generation, and automation features embedded directly within SAP applications. By combining Cohere's advanced language models with SAP's industry-leading solutions, the partnership seeks to empower organizations to improve efficiency, customer engagement, and decision-making through AI-powered tools tailored for enterprise needs.	By Cohere Team		May 20, 2025
4.9	**ContextAgent enhances LLMs with sensory-aware proactive assistance**	The paper introduces ContextAgent, a proactive AI agent that integrates sensory data from wearables (like video and audio) to better understand user intentions. By combining this real-time sensory context with historical persona data, ContextAgent predicts when proactive assistance is needed and autonomously invokes appropriate tools. Evaluated on the newly developed ContextAgentBench, covering 1,000	By Bufang Yang, et al.		May 20, 2025

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		samples across nine daily scenarios and twenty tools, ContextAgent outperforms baselines by achieving up to 8.5% higher accuracy in proactive predictions and 6.0% in tool calling. This advancement paves the way for more intuitive, human-centric AI assistants.			
4.10	**ASUS unveils AI-powered healthcare innovations at Computex 2025**	At Computex 2025, ASUS showcased several AI-driven healthcare solutions. The VivoWatch now integrates HealthAI Genie, offering personalized health insights by analyzing real-time biometric data. ASUS also introduced the LU800, a portable AI-powered ultrasound device that speeds up medical diagnostics. Additionally, EndoAim enhances endoscopy procedures by detecting and classifying polyps in real time. Other offerings include the xHIS digital hospital platform and Miraico, aiming to boost hospital efficiency and proactive care through smart data integration.	By ASUS Newsroom		May 20, 2025
4.11	**Web-Shepherd: Advancing PRMs for Reinforcing Web Agents**	Web-Shepherd, a novel Process Reward Model (PRM) designed to evaluate step-by-step decisions of web agents during task execution. Unlike prior PRMs that focused only on final outcomes, Web-Shepherd provides more detailed feedback, improving agent learning and performance. It is trained using a mix of synthetic and real data with a reward bootstrapping technique. The authors also present WebRewardBench, a benchmark for PRM evaluation. Web-Shepherd shows higher correlation with human judgment and enables better performance on web navigation tasks compared to GPT-4o, while significantly reducing inference costs.	By Hyungjoo Chae, et al.		May 21, 2025

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4.12	**Efficient Agent Training for Computer Use**	Collecting large amounts of high-quality trajectory data has been a major challenge in developing agents that use computers like humans. This paper presents PC Agent-E, a training framework that reduces the need for extensive human demonstrations. By starting with just 312 human-annotated trajectories and enriching them using synthetic actions generated by Claude 3.7 Sonnet, PC Agent-E achieves a 141% improvement and outperforms Claude 3.7 Sonnet on the WindowsAgentArena-V2 benchmark. The model also shows strong generalizability to other operating systems in OSWorld, demonstrating that effective computer use agents can be trained with limited, high-quality data.	By Yanheng He, Jiahe Jin, Pengfei Liu		May 20, 2025
4.13	**PiLogic Raises $4M to Build Precision AI Models for Space Applications**	**PiLogic** has raised **$4 million** to develop **precision AI models tailored for space and aerospace applications**, including satellite navigation, orbital logistics, and deep-space communication. The startup focuses on building high-reliability AI systems that can function in harsh environments with minimal human oversight. Its models emphasize accuracy, resilience, and low-latency decision-making, which are critical for autonomous spacecraft and satellite systems. The funding will support R&D, hiring, and testing in collaboration with aerospace partners. PiLogic's mission reflects the growing role of AI in powering next-gen space infrastructure and autonomy.	By Kyt Dotson		May 26, 2025
4.14	**Korl Raises $5M to Craft Customized Customer Communications for Sales Teams**	**Korl** has raised **$5 million** to scale its AI platform that helps **sales teams generate personalized customer communications** at scale. By leveraging multiple large language models—including OpenAI, Anthropic, and Gemini—Korl's system crafts emails, proposals, onboarding guides, and FAQs tailored to specific industries, roles, and buying stages. The	By Mike Wheatley		May 26, 2025

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		platform orchestrates the best model per task and integrates with CRM tools, ensuring consistent tone, accuracy, and brand alignment. This funding will accelerate product development and enterprise expansion, underscoring growing demand for AI-enhanced B2B engagement workflows.			
4.15	**From Disruption to Reinvention: How Knowledge Workers Can Thrive After AI**	This article explores how knowledge workers can adapt and succeed as AI transforms the workplace. Rather than replacing jobs, AI is expected to augment roles by automating repetitive tasks and enabling employees to focus on higher-value work like creative problem-solving and strategic thinking. Experts recommend upskilling in areas such as data literacy, digital collaboration, and prompt engineering. Organizations that embrace continuous learning and foster human-AI collaboration will empower their teams to thrive, turning AI-driven disruption into an opportunity for reinvention and growth.	By Gary Grossman, Edelman		May 26, 2025
4.16	**Shifting AI Efficiency From Model-Centric to Data-Centric Compression**	As large and multi-modal language models grow, performance gains have traditionally come from scaling model size. However, hardware limits and the rising cost of processing long token sequences—due to extended text, images, and videos—have shifted the efficiency bottleneck. This paper argues for a move from model-centric to data-centric compression, positioning token compression as key to AI efficiency. By reducing token count during training or inference, token compression cuts compute costs. The paper reviews recent advances, presents a unified framework, highlights benefits across domains, and outlines challenges and future directions to inspire progress in handling long-context AI efficiently.	By Xuyang Liu, et al.		May 25, 2025

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4.17	**From Tens of Hours to Tens of Thousands: Scaling Back-Translation for Speech Recognition**	This paper presents a scalable method to improve automatic speech recognition (ASR) in low-resource languages using speech back-translation. Inspired by techniques in machine translation, the approach uses text-to-speech (TTS) models to convert large-scale text data into synthetic speech, generating training data for ASR systems. The authors demonstrate that with the right TTS and filtering strategies, high-quality ASR models can be trained without manual transcripts. This method shifts ASR development from relying heavily on labeled speech to leveraging abundant text data, significantly improving ASR quality and accessibility for underrepresented languages at scale.	By Tianduo Wang, et al.		May 22, 2025

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5.1	**The Synthetic Data Dilemma: Why AI Success Depends on Data Sovereignty**	This article explores the growing importance of synthetic data in AI development and the critical challenges posed by data sovereignty. While synthetic data helps overcome privacy and availability constraints, regulatory and geopolitical concerns around data ownership and control remain significant barriers. Companies and governments must balance innovation with compliance, ensuring synthetic datasets respect local laws and ethical standards. The piece argues that sustainable AI progress hinges on transparent data governance frameworks that protect sovereignty without stifling technological advancement.	By Robert Feldman, EDB		May 20, 2025
5.2	**Apple Plans to Make Large Language Models Available to Developers**	According to reports, Apple is preparing to open access to its large language models (LLMs) for third-party developers, signaling a strategic shift toward AI openness. This move would enable developers to integrate Apple's AI capabilities into their apps, enhancing functionalities such as natural language understanding, text generation, and conversational AI. Apple aims to maintain privacy and security standards while fostering innovation in its ecosystem. This step aligns Apple more closely with competitors offering developer-accessible AI models, marking a significant expansion in its AI strategy.	By Maria Deutscher		May 20, 2025
5.3	**LM Arena Raises $100M at $600M Valuation to Expand AI Benchmarking Platform**	LM Arena, the popular AI benchmarking platform behind key leaderboards in the AI community, has raised $100 million in seed funding, bringing its valuation to $600 million. The investment was led by Andreessen Horowitz (a16z), along with other prominent investors like Lightspeed Venture Partners and Kleiner Perkins. LM Arena aims to further its mission of providing transparent, community-driven AI model evaluations, collaborating with top AI labs such as OpenAI, Google, and	By Duncan Riley		May 21, 2025

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		Anthropic. Despite criticisms over possible biases in its leaderboards, LM Arena remains central to AI model performance analysis.			
5.4	**OpenAI Acquires Jony Ive's io Products in $6.5B Stock Deal**	OpenAI has acquired io, a startup founded by renowned designer Jony Ive, in a $6.5 billion stock deal. The acquisition will see Ive, who is known for his work at Apple, lead design efforts for OpenAI's next major AI-driven product—a screenless, AI-powered device. This device is expected to act as a personal assistant, integrating deeply with users' lives while maintaining a strong focus on privacy. The acquisition reflects OpenAI's growing ambition to build user-centric, hardware-driven AI tools alongside its software solutions.	By Maria Deutscher		May 21, 2025
5.5	**Anthropic Faces Backlash Over Claude 4 Opus Behavior Reporting Users to Authorities**	Anthropic is under fire for programming its Claude 4 Opus model to alert authorities or the press if it detects users discussing potentially immoral activities. Users and privacy advocates have raised concerns about the AI's monitoring and reporting practices, questioning the implications for user trust and freedom of expression. Anthropic claims the measure is intended to promote ethical AI use and public safety, but critics warn it could lead to overreach and abuse. The controversy highlights growing tensions around surveillance, privacy, and AI governance.	By Carl Franzen		May 22, 2025
5.6	**Anthropic CEO Claims AI Models Hallucinate Less Than Humans**	Anthropic CEO Dario Amodei has stated that the company's latest AI models, including Claude 4 Opus, "hallucinate" or generate false information less frequently than humans make errors in recalling facts. Amodei highlighted that extensive benchmarking shows AI's factual accuracy is now surpassing that of average human memory in many contexts. This claim aims to build public trust in AI systems, while emphasizing the need for continued safety improvements and	By Maxwell Zeff		May 22, 2025

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		transparent measurement standards. The remarks come as scrutiny intensifies over the reliability and responsibility of generative AI in real-world applications.			
5.7	**OpenAI to Build One-Gigawatt 'Stargate' Data Center in UAE**	OpenAI has announced plans to construct a massive "Stargate" data center in the United Arab Emirates with an expected capacity of one gigawatt. This ambitious project, developed in partnership with G42, aims to support the growing demand for advanced AI computing and model training. The data center will leverage renewable energy sources to ensure sustainability and efficiency. Stargate is poised to become one of the largest AI-focused data centers globally, marking a significant expansion of OpenAI's infrastructure and international presence.	By Maria Deutscher		May 22, 2025

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6.1	**TechCrunch All Stage 2025 Showcases Innovations in AI, Startups, and Venture Funding**	TechCrunch All Stage 2025 brought together global leaders in startups, venture capital, and AI to spotlight the latest advancements and trends shaping the tech industry. Key highlights included AI-driven healthcare solutions, next-gen robotics, climate tech, and startup pitches focused on enterprise AI integration. The event featured live demos, founder interviews, and discussions on funding strategies and market adoption. Industry experts emphasized responsible AI development and the importance of fostering diverse entrepreneurship for sustainable innovation in a rapidly evolving ecosystem.	By TechCrunch		July 15, 2025
6.2	**TC Sessions: AI 2025 Explores the Next Wave of Artificial Intelligence**	TC Sessions: AI 2025 convened top executives, researchers, and investors to discuss the evolving landscape of artificial intelligence. The event featured deep dives into advancements in generative AI, edge computing, robotics, and autonomous systems. Panels covered ethical concerns, regulatory trends, and the impact of AI on industries like healthcare, finance, and transportation. Startups showcased innovations in AI applications, while experts highlighted the importance of responsible deployment and collaboration between academia and industry to drive the future of AI.	By TechCrunch		June 5, 2025

Conclusion

- The AI landscape from 20 to 27 May 2025 shows consolidation around reinforcement learning, multimodal pre-training, and alignment techniques.
- Divergence is occurring through diverse efficiency strategies like token compression, FP4 arithmetic, and dynamic context pruning.
- Domain-specific models in medicine, law, climate, and space are gaining rapid traction.
- Reasoning efficiency has overtaken raw scale as the central research focus, emphasizing cost-effective inference.
- Multimodal AI is now mainstream, with real-time systems integrating vision, audio, and sensory data.
- Infrastructure is shifting toward massive, greener data centers and custom silicon, highlighting energy as a new bottleneck.
- The feasibility of deploying advanced models on edge devices using compression and low-precision training is under active exploration.
- Reinforcement learning from internal feedback (RLIF) is emerging as a possible path to self-improving AI.
- Regulatory pressures are expected to reshape how AI balances openness and safety.
- The momentum of these developments signals a growing responsibility to guide AI toward innovation, inclusivity, and ethical impact.