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Abstract: Modern language models are designed to generate text so realistic that it could easily be mistaken for human-authored content. Additionally, they can engage in conversations with humans in a manner that appears coherent and reasonable. The epitome of this technological advancement is ChatGPT, a model based on OpenAI's Generative Pretrained Transformer (GPT) language model. With its ability to produce high-quality content in mere seconds, ChatGPT surpasses other chatbots in terms of capabilities, drawing significant interest and excitement from both the business community and academic researchers. This study offers a comprehensive review of current research on ChatGPT, delving into its technological foundation, supportive mechanisms, and findings regarding its benefits across various fields and application areas. We evaluate and discuss the strengths and weaknesses of ChatGPT based on this review and suggest potential avenues for future research.

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I. Introduction

Modern technology relies heavily on Artificial Intelligence (AI), which operates covertly to mimic the human mind and assist us in different ways [1]. Although AI has a long history, there have been great advances in recent years [2]. These advancements have materialized in the development and launch of AI-powered chatbots such as ChatGPT, which have demonstrated to the public how far AI has progressed [3].

ChatGPT-3 was developed using an upgraded form of GPT-3, also an improved language-developing AI standard created by OpenAI. The Deep Learning Neural Network (DLNN) utilized in GPT-3 has almost 175 billion Machine Learning (ML) parameters. To place things in context, the biggest acquired language model before GPT-3 was Microsoft's Turing-Natural Language Generation (T-NLG) framework, which includes 10 billion parameters. By the beginning of 2021, GPT-3 was the largest Neural Network (NN) ever built. So far as creating content that looks to have been written by a human, GPT-3 is better than all preceding versions [4].

The ChatGPT chatbot is built using the OpenAI GPT-3 language structure. It is intended to create text replies that sound like human answers to operator data entered in a chat setting. With the help of a vast database of human communications, OpenAI ChatGPT was developed to provide replies to a variety of subjects and cues. The chatbot is able to respond in many languages and be utilized for language translation, client support, and content development activities. The OpenAI API makes OpenAI ChatGPT accessible, allowing programmers to use and incorporate it into their apps and devices [5].

ChatGPT has sparked a lot of interest around the world. Figure 1 shows worldwide search interest for the term "ChatGPT" from March 3, 2022, to March 3, 2023, as measured by Google Trends. The figure shows that the search interest is currently highest in China, but that the interest is also relatively high in several large countries such as the United States, Canada, India, Australia. At the same time, search interest is quite low in countries such as Mexico, Russia, Turkey, Chile, Peru, Argentina, and Iran. It is also notable that there is very little search activity in many of the African countries.

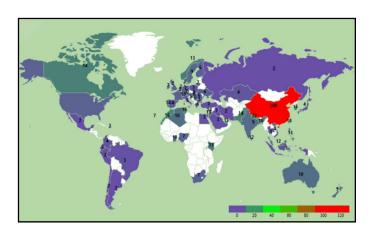


Figure 1. ChatGPT worldwide interest (Source: Google Trends).

While several more comprehensive and systematic overviews of different aspects of ChatGPT literature have been published recently e.g., [6,7–9], in the current paper we take a different approach by adopting a narrative review approach which involves taking a comprehensive and critical view of the status of literature on a particular topic [10]. While it is not as objective and rigorous as a systematic review, it offers opportunities for subjective insights and speculations about future developments.

In this literature review we will examine and review several areas of ChatGPT research, including its technical background, mechanisms, merits, advantages, disadvantages, reasons why it is popular, and some speculations about its future development and trajectory.

II. Background OF Chatgpt

In this section we will briefly examine ChatGPT's history and background. Silicon Valley has been epicenter of the development of ChatGPT, and several of the most well-known business and technology figures have been involved in the development and financing of chatbot technology. OpenAI, the business that created ChatGPT, was launched as a charity in 2015 by Greg Brockman, Elon Musk, Ilya Sutskever, Wojciech Zaremba, Peter Thiel, and other technology developers. Its objective was to prevent the centralized control of AI by providing its work openly to the general population. As per the material posted on OpenAI's site on 11 December 2015, the business sought to create AI in the method that is most probable to benefit humankind [11].

Elon Musk resigned from the panel in 2018 because of a conflict of interest with Tesla AI. In 2019, OpenAI changed its status from a non-business entity, to "capped-gain," which would enable investors to earn 100x possible profits while still supporting non-profit endeavors with the leftover funds. In 2019, Microsoft invested \$1 billion in OpenAI, and in the last few years the company has made further investments in the partnership that allows Microsoft to compete with Google's AI business, DeepMind [12].

On 30 November 2022 OpenAI's projected valuation increased to \$29 billion and the company released a downloadable demo of ChatGPT, an AI-powered chatbot that is able to interact with human communication and provides answers to queries within a couple of seconds. Within five days of its release, ChatGPT had already 1 million users. As we indicated in the introduction, ChatGPT quickly attracted a lot of interest and attention due to its ability to generate thorough and clear replies to queries across a broad spectrum of subject areas. It was the very first time such a potent and accessible chatbot online interface had been freely accessible to the general public. Although it was presented as a free servers, commentators quickly noted that the it is doubtful that the free service will continue to be available in the future [13].

In March 2023 another key development in the history of ChatGPT took place. On March 14, 2023, ChatGPT-4 was made public through API and to ChatGPT+ subscribers. The GPT-4 (Generative Pre-Trained Transformer 4) is the 4th version in the GPT series, and it is a big structure LLM developed by OpenAI. Microsoft acknowledged that earlier iterations of its search engine Bing that

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utilized GPT actually did so before GPT-4 was formally released. GPT-4 was taught to anticipate the coming unit as a transformer implementing both public and private information and was then enhanced with RL (Reinforcement Learning) via user and AI input for quality management and human synchronization. The following are some potential improvements that GPT-4 offers:

- *Improved Language Modeling:* GPT-4 is anticipated to contain more parameters and to have been trained on a broader range of data sets, which might result in more accurate and reliable language modeling skills.
- Multimodal Learning: GPT-4 may be created to learn from a variety of modalities, including text, graphics, audio, and video, enabling it to comprehend and provide answers across several media types.
- Better Contextual Understanding: The contextual comprehension and reasoning capabilities of GPT-4 may be more sophisticated, enabling it to produce more logical and pertinent replies depending on the conversation's context.
- *Increased Efficiency:* GPT-4 may be quicker and more energy-efficient than its forerunners, opening it up to a wider variety of applications and devices.
- *Enhanced Creativity:* Beyond the facts and information, it has been educated on, GPT-4 may have increased creativity and produced more inventive and varied replies.

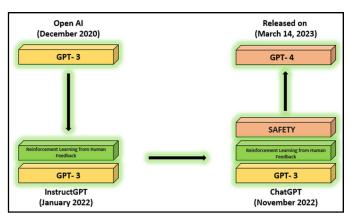


Figure 2. ChatGPT Development Process.

III. The Mechanism Supporting Chatgpt

Generative Pre-Training Transformer 3 or Simply GPT-3 is a state-of-the-art AI system. It enables chatbots to interpret and develop normal language similar to that of humans with impressive precision and fluency. With 175 billion parameters and the potential to quickly action millions of texts, it is the broadest language standard created to date [14].

A Deep Neural Network (DNN) has been already tested by OpenAI using a sizable sentence database, and its functionality has been enhanced for purposes like creating sentences or responding to queries. This is the core tech behind Chat GPT-3. The grid is built from several converter units that analyze the entered sentence and show results. In addition, the connection has intra-attention features that allow it to evaluate the significance of various words and terms about one another and the discussions as a whole. Generators also enable ChatGPT-3 to produce meaningful sentences even from minimal information [15].

A noteworthy development in Natural Language Processing (NLP) is ChatGPT-3, which utilizes a transformer-built structure to analyze massive volumes of information concurrently and create a language that is closer to what a human would interpret [16]. There are several applications for this innovation, including text categorization services, bots, and automatic translation applications. Nevertheless, ChatGPT-3 is unable to connect to the Web and can only function by utilizing the Internet it has learned during its development, which restricts its ability to acquire outside knowledge [17].

Figure 3 displays a word cloud for ChatGPT that is evidence of its vast lexicon and subject-matter expertise. It serves as a display of words from various fields, including technology, science,

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and current events. AI-related terms like "Machine Learning, "ChatGPT," "Neural Networks," and "Deep Learning" are included in the word cloud. It also contains words like "natural language processing," "language generation," and "text completion".



Figure 3. Word Cloud of ChatGPT.

IV. Merits of Chatgpt

Since its introduction, there has been an exponential increase in the number of studies on ChatGPT [9], some of which have even been co-authored with ChatGPT e.g., [18,19]. Many of the studies have looked at ChatGPT's impact and implications in the education [20,21], , business [22,23] or in the healthcare sector [6,8]. In the following, we will briefly review the main findings about the merits of ChatGPT in two of these application areas: education and healthcare.

A. Education

In the field of education, ChatGPT presents substantial benefits. It can serve as a supplementary tool for teachers, providing them with resources and content to enhance their teaching methods. For students, ChatGPT can offer personalized tutoring, help clarify complex concepts, and encourage self-paced learning [24]. Additionally, it can generate hypothetical scenarios for various subjects, aiding in practical learning. A wide range research studies provide insight into the various ways ChatGPT can be integrated into educational systems and the potential benefits and risks associated with its use, such as cheating and plagiarism [17,18,25,26]. There are also studies showing that ChatGPT performs increasingly well on different entrance and standardized exams and tests in different academic subjects [27–30] While there is still room for development and refinement, the potential of ChatGPT in enhancing educational experiences is vast.

B. Healthcare

Much research has also looked at the merits of ChatGPT in the healthcare sector [6,8,31]. ChatGPT can play a significant role in healthcare, mainly by enhancing accessibility to health information and streamlining health-related processes. For instance, it can serve as a first point of contact on digital health platforms, providing general health information, guiding users through symptom checkers, and referring them to appropriate healthcare resources [32,33]. It can also assist healthcare professionals by summarizing the latest medical research findings from large databases, aiding them in staying on top of current developments. However, it is important to be mindful of ChatGPT's limits, biases and risks [34]. Therefore, it should not replace professional medical advice or consultation, as it may lack the specialized knowledge to provide direct medical advice.

V. Pros of Chatgpt

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Since its launch, ChatGPT has grown in popularity among many demographic groups. However, the response has been relatively mixed. While many are praising ChatGPT for its benefits and future potential, others remain more skeptical and are criticizing it for its shortcomings, constraints, and possible disadvantages. In the following, we will examine some of the main advantages of ChatGPT [35].

A. Aims to Mimic Human Dialogue

The primary role of ChatGPT is to mimic human dialogue based on operator-provided submissions or commands. It is commonly similar to AI assistant innovations and system apps such as Alexa and Siri. It is created on more developed Reinforcement Learning (RL) and Supervised Learning (SL) methods implementing Large Learning models (LLL) algorithm and assessing its functionality, and it imitates real-world discussion.

B. Created Based on GPT-3 Model

Generative Pre-Trained Transformer-3 (GPT-3) is a decoder and language prophecy structure designed by OpenAI. It is considered among the most powerful AI methods ever constructed and is highly not a set of the string language model [36]. It is tough to decide whether a message is created by an individual due to the standard of the messages it creates. Being trained on a sizable collection of text, GPT-3 is a very intelligent and adaptable language model. As a result, ChatGPT may be used for a variety of tasks since it has a broad range of data [37].

C. Broad-Variety Implementations

ChatGPT can perform multiple functions. It can generate text that compares to that of skilled Artificial Intelligence (AI) writers. Analyses have disclosed that it is even skilled in noting songs and forming imaginary works for example novels. It can support technical developers or content supporters in creating a summary [38]. By the chatbot, the enormous volume of content can be examined and demonstrated. Therefore, writing and problem-solving technical developers is an engaging further implementation of ChatGPT [39].

D. Open to Additional Improvement

The foundation of ChatGPT is a machine learning model, which can be continually improved by being trained on fresh data. Through ChatGPT, the knowledge to make improvements in its responses and available implementation are other benefits. While depending on the presented LLMs, there is always a chance for development via an effective program utilizing SL and RL. An operator can offer additional information in contrast to like and unlike a specific answer [40].

E. Natural Language Understanding

ChatGPT is based on the GPT (Generative Pre-Trained Transformer) architecture, enabling it to comprehend real language's syntactic and grammatical structures. It has developed the ability to detect typical grammatical constructions and idioms after being trained on a vast corpus of text data, which includes books, papers, and websites [41]. This implies that even when the data it gets is not properly constructed or includes faults, it may nevertheless provide replies that are grammatically accurate and semantically relevant [42].

F. Wide Range of Applications

Customer support, personal assistance, and content creation are just a few of the uses for ChatGPT. ChatGPT can assist organizations in automating their customer care assistance procedures, lowering the demand for human agents and enhancing response times. ChatGPT can aid users with personal assistance chores like making appointments or looking for information online [43]. Finally, ChatGPT can be used to create content, such as text for social media postings or marketing initiatives.

Moreover, ChatGPT is a vital tool for several applications due to its features. For example, it can be a useful tool for interacting with users and enhancing their experience because of its grasp of natural language, contextual awareness, and learning capability [44]. Moreover, it can be a useful tool for companies and organizations who wish to offer top-notch support or customer care due to its scalability and around-the-clock availability.

VI. Cons of Chatgpt

The previous section showed that ChatGPT has extensive knowledge of content from various sources, including books, journals, and web pages. Its ability to recall and provide reliable information is critical for several sensitive applications and other essential AI technologies. However, it is not perfect, and its accuracy can be compromised, as it relies on a learning algorithm. Sometimes, ChatGPT may provide biased or fabricated information.

Therefore, ChatGTP is not without its shortcomings, and struggles with some of the same problems as many other chatbots in the past. In the following, we will discuss some of the primary drawbacks identified in previous studies [24].

A. Lack of Clarity and Factual Errors

The point that ChatGPT periodically can develop sentences that appear precise or effective but are incorrect or illogical is among the main faults and shortcomings [45]. Sometimes, ChatGPT cannot completely comprehend a question due to a lack of context, which might result in confused or inaccurate answers. For instance, if a user poses a question that depends on details from an earlier exchange, ChatGPT might not be aware of that context and might give an answer that is inaccurate or ambiguous. It is systematic in statistical language standards and is known as "commotion." Moreover, it delivers no sources or footnotes regarding where to discover the content. Therefore, it is not perfect to implement this bot by itself for digital tracking and study [46].

B. Poor Understanding of Recent Developments

The edition that was launched in November 2022 can simply offer details on things that developed in 2021 and before. As it persists to provide information bases on words created by individuals, it will finally display more recent occurrences [47]. Notwithstanding this weakness, users should understand that it just has a weak understanding of truths because it depends on old databases. Moreover, its inadequate comprehension of current events is one possible drawback of ChatGPT. This is so because ChatGPT's knowledge might not reflect the most recent facts or advances as it was trained on a fixed dataset of text [48]. However, the recent developments related to web browsing in ChatGPT-4 may remedy this problem.

C. Problems and Questions of Ethics

The use of ChatGPT also raised numerous ethical issues [49,50]. Numerous universities and schools have considered limiting access to ChatGPT or banned its use entirely [51,52]. Because its results rely on human-created sentences, academics and creators have worried about copyright violations [53]. Unintentionally spreading false information or fake news with ChatGPT might have negative repercussions. This may occur if ChatGPT is not educated on trustworthy information sources or accuracy is not prioritized above interaction. It also reaches into query the appropriateness of replacing it with operations that require human association, including 24/7 help or psychic counselling [54].

D. Other Possible Lawful Effects

ChatGPT was developed using data from The Common Crawl database, which includes copyrighted content from publishers, as well as works by individual authors and scholars [55]. Therefore, there is a chance that the advice offered by ChatGPT is utilized to provide legal or financial advice is not correct or current. The individual or businesses that relied on the advice may be held

accountable for this. Professionals have also warned about the potential of employing AI-built services for computer crime.

E. Limited Domain Expertise

As a general-purpose language model, ChatGPT has certain limitations when it comes to specialized domains [56]. Although it is capable of generating responses that are grammatically correct and semantically coherent, it may lack the specialized expertise required to provide accurate responses to queries in specific fields. For example, when confronted with a user asking for a medical consultation, ChatGPT might fall short in providing an appropriate response [57]. This is because it lacks the domain-specific medical knowledge that a qualified healthcare professional would possess. Despite its extensive training data, it cannot replace expert advice in fields that require specialized education and training.

F. Biased Responses

Large volumes of text data, some of which may be skewed or problematic, are used to train ChatGPT. This means it may create replies containing prejudice or preconceptions, particularly if the training data have such biases [58]. If ChatGPT was trained using biased data, it will pick up on such biases and may repeat them in its answers. For instance, ChatGPT may yield results that reflect prejudices or discrimination if the training data contains such biases. This is a well-known problem with many AI models, and work is being done to fix it by using more representative and varied training data [59].

ChatGPT's drawbacks are attributed to its difficulties in comprehending specialized topics, propensity for producing biased replies, lack of emotional intelligence, and restricted comprehension of context. However, even though these drawbacks may be considerable, continuous work in the field of natural language processing is being done to find solutions [60].

VII. The Future of Chatgpt

Currently, ChatGPT technology has gained traction in many areas of business and society [22,61,62]. As we move forward, there's potential for this technology to be refined and streamlined, potentially revolutionizing the way humans create value. However, alongside these advancements, concerns are emerging about the technology's potential impact on employment, stirring long-standing debates about how AI might transform or even displace certain job roles [63,64]. In the following, we will look at a few of ChatGPT's applications and speculate about ChatGPT's future development and trajectory.

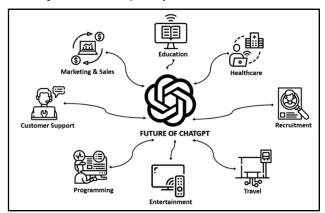


Figure 4. Overview of future applications of ChatGPT in different sectors.

A. Customer Support

ChatGPT is also likely to affect how businesses interact and engage with consumers [65,66]. Albased chatbots may respond to consumer inquiries quickly and provide round-the-clock client

service. The enthusiasm that ChatGPT has generated is evidence of its ingenuity and growing significance in the AI industry. There is significant scope for ChatGPT to be connected with current interactive AI to enhance user support discussions as the technology develops, and many firms use AI innovations to enhance the customer experience. In the future, by responding to customers' wants and questions in a quicker and more personalized way, they may be able to dramatically enhance the level of customer service [67].

B. Marketing and Sales

ChatGPT has a multitude of applications in marketing and sales [22,66,68]. By helping clients in the purchasing process, chatbots can aid in information processing, outlook assessment, and proposed settlement. A catchy title is necessary for written material to do effectively on search engines, making this a crucial advantage of creative AI technologies like ChatGPT. Marketing professionals may also use this AI tool's power and ability to create intriguing headlines and content for articles, seminars, and conferences. Employers can use chatbots to simplify several steps in the hiring and recruitment process, boosting productivity and reducing costs and time [23]. AI-powered chatbots can also assist employers simplifying the hiring process by pre-screened applicants. Also, in the future, it is likely that chatbots can compile key information about possible clients and offer parameterized testing recommendations to the marketing and sales teams, allowing them to customize their strategy.

C. Education

AI-based chatbots like ChatGPT have many applications in education [20,24,69,70] and have emerged as a useful tool for instructors to educate learners and provide them with engaging and informative responses to their questions. Among the educational applications of ChatGPT, one possibility is the creation of quizzes and tests that can help evaluate the learners' knowledge and progress. ChatGPT is known for its advanced capabilities and extensive data resources, which make it a powerful educational tool. However, it is important to note that the dataset used to train ChatGPT is compiled from various online sources, some of which may contain errors or inaccuracies. For example, several authors have noted that ChatGPT sometimes makes up facts and "hallucinates" [71,72]. This indicates that learners should utilize ChatGPT as a reference comparable to Wikipedia, which also has been criticized for inaccuracies [73].

Therefore, it is crucial for instructors to carefully review and validate the responses provided by ChatGPT before incorporating them into their instructional materials. However, with the right precautions and monitoring, ChatGPT can be an effective tool for enhancing the learning experience of students. In particular, ChatGPT can be an useful approach to get a broad understanding and a preliminary step in the learning process [74].

D. Healthcare

Much research has looked at the prospects of ChatGPT in the healthcare context [6,8,31,32,75]. AI-based chatbots can provide individualized health advice and assistance in identifying medical issues. Patients may find it difficult to remember to take their prescriptions on schedule and to adhere to their physician's dose recommendations, especially if they are taking many medications. Patients can utilize ChatGPT to handle their medication regimens, containing alerts, dose guidelines, and possible bad impacts. Medicine use, restrictions, and other vital factors impacting pharmacological intervention can also be discussed with patients via ChatGPT. Furthermore, AI-built ChatGPT can help patients have a better healthcare experience by automating organizational activities like consultation registration and treatment plan updates [16]. However, it is important to keep in mind the chatbot's limitations since research has found that it sometimes gives erroneous responses to medical questions [75]

E. Language Translation

ChatGPT can be utilized for language translation problems since it has a comprehensive language model [47]. It can be trained on huge datasets of parallel text and text in two languages that mean the same thing. It can then be implemented to translate text from one language to another because of its capacity to produce a coherent text. By learning the connections between vocabulary and grammatical conventions in both languages, ChatGPT, for instance, may produce a similar phrase in another language given a sentence in one language. It can generate appropriate translations by considering the sentence's context and meaning [76].

F. Travel

ChatGPT also has a multitude of applications in travel, tourism and hospitality [19,66,77–80]. Chatbots have become increasingly popular in the tourism industry, providing visitors with a seamless and convenient way to book tickets, hotel rooms, and other accommodations. Additionally, AI-powered chatbots have the potential to revolutionize the tourism industry by offering real-time information on climate conditions, local events, and flight details, making it easier for travelers to plan their journeys and stay up to date on any changes or delays. Altogether, ChatGPT can revolutionize the tourism and hospitality sector by better arranging trips, enhancing the guest experience, offering language translation services, enhancing promotion, and allowing advanced analytics [19].

G. Entertainment

Creative writing is one area where does well [81] and therefore ChatGPT has various promising applications in the entertainment industry. For instance, AI-powered chatbots could offer personalized recommendations for TV shows, music albums, and various other forms of entertainment, tailored to individual tastes and preferences. Additionally, they have the potential to generate complete scripts for movies or TV shows, and even craft lyrics for songs. The potential of AI in reshaping and enhancing the entertainment experience is indeed vast and intriguing. Although some are skeptical [82], it is likely ChatGPT will become a helpful technique for the film industry, providing a variety of benefits, such as audience commentary and actionable insights to directing, writing and personality creation. In this manner, directors may use AI to generate more interesting and popular movies while preserving the craftsmanship and innovation that has long been at the core of the movie industry [83].

H. Programming

The emergence of AI programmers like ChatGPT will also result in a growth in the need for computer programmers knowledgeable in the methods of data science. For instance, developers proficient in Go, Python, and other advanced analytics tools and languages can develop, implement, and deploy applications. Moreover, programmers can write programs faster easily and quickly by using ChatGPT, which can produce program clips depending on particular computer programming and patterns. Merow, et al. [84] found that ChatGPT could be highly useful for speeding up monotonous part of coding, which allows users to free up time and energy to focus on the more challenging parts. Finally, ChatGPT can aid in the review process and with troubleshooting [85].

I. Personal Assistants

With its capacity to interpret natural language and produce coherent text, ChatGPT has demonstrated considerable promise as a personal assistant. In order to give consumers even more indepth support, it could integrate with other software programs in the future, such as email and calendar apps. In order to increase its precision and effectiveness over time, ChatGPT may employ machine learning techniques. It will learn from user input and interactions to comprehend specific preferences and requirements better. ChatGPT may become a more potent tool for productivity and personal organizing as technology develops and natural language processing gets better [86].

VIII. Conclusion

According to this brief narrative review of ChatGPT, it is undeniable that AI technology has advanced significantly, and AI language tools like ChatGPT have a multitude of real-world applications. Moreover, it is clear that ChatGPT is a strong NLP system that can produce communications that sound and look human-like. Overall, the development of AI-technologies such as ChatGPT provides many advantages to businesses and society, including higher efficiency, more accuracy, and cost savings. That said, it is important to keep in mind the limitations, which include security issues and restricted capabilities. Notwithstanding these difficulties, ChatGPT is a rapidly evolving AI tool that can automate discussions and provide more precise replies. It is crucial to remember that these technologies still need some human involvement to guarantee that the output meets specified criteria, and therefore as of today cannot replace real authors.

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