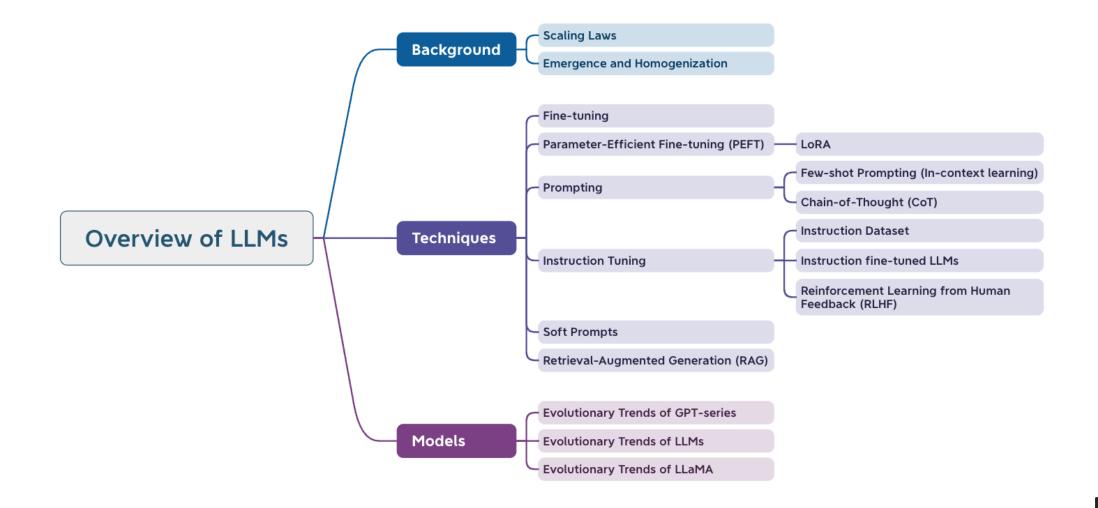


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# **Overview of Large Language Models**

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## Background

## **Research Trends of Large Language Models (LLMs)**

- LLMs : rapidly growing research areas
- Stimulated domain-specific research and applications (e.g. science, healthcare, finance, and education)

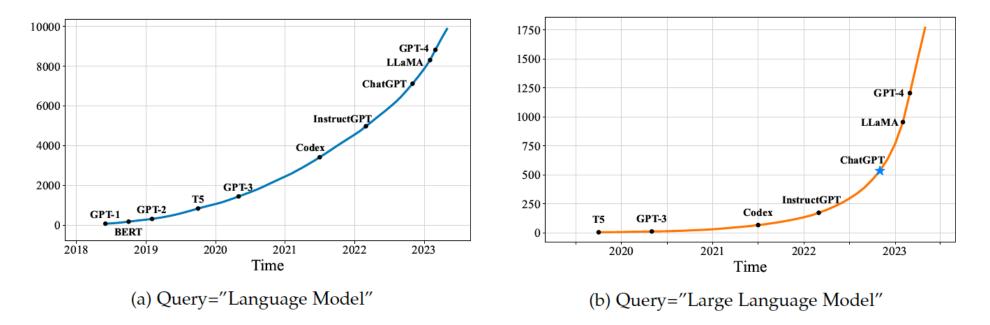


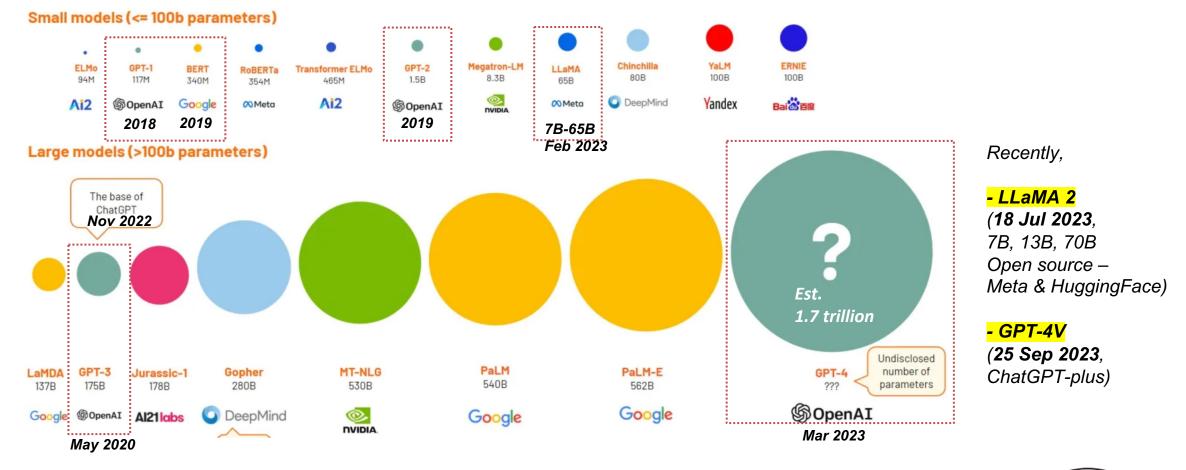
Fig : The trends of the cumulative numbers of arXiv papers that contain the keyphrases "language model" (since June 2018) and "large language model" (since October 2019), respectively. A sharp increase occurs after the release of ChatGPT. The average number of published arXiv papers that contain "large language model" in title or abstract goes from 0.40 per day to 8.58 per day.



- Fig: A Survey of Large Language Models (WX Zhao et al., Sep 2023) [paper] [aithub]

## Large Language Models

• Scale : a billion to a trillion parameters (PLMs -> large parameter size) + Architecture (Transformer Variants)



- Fig: https://thelowdown.momentum.asia/the-emergence-of-large-language-models-llms/

- LLaMA2 download (Jul 2023) : https://ai.meta.com/llama/

- Sparks of Artificial General Intelligence: Early experiments with GPT-4 (S Bubeck et al., Microsoft Research, Apr 2023) [paper]

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## **Scaling Laws – LLMs performance**

- Scaling up language models improves the model performance -> "What factors to be scaled?"
- OpenAl team (Jan 2020) : Model size (parameters), Dataset size, and Amount of compute -> lead to larger model (e.g. GPT-3)
- DeepMind team (Mar 2022): Model size and the number of training tokens should be scaled equally. -> Chinchilla 70B outperforms.
- Human brain : Est. Average 86B neurons.

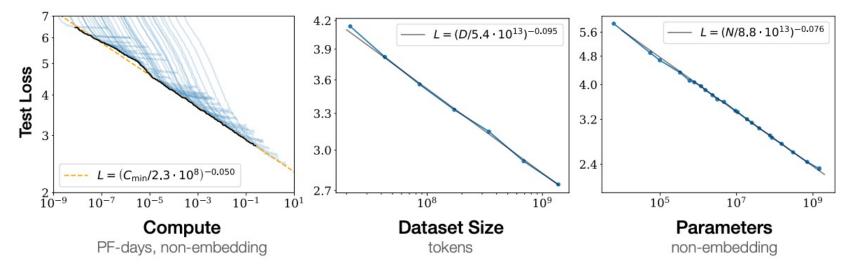


Fig : Language modeling performance improves smoothly as we increase the model size, datasetset size, and amount of compute used for training. For optimal performance all three factors must be scaled up in tandem. Empirical performance has a power-law relationship with each individual factor when not bottlenecked by the other two.

- A new Moore's Law? <u>https://huggingface.co/blog/large-language-models</u>



<sup>-</sup> Fig: Scaling Laws for Neural Language Models (J Kaplan et al., OpenAI, Jan 2020) [paper]

<sup>- [</sup>Chinchilla] Training Compute-Optimal Large Language Models (J Hoffmann et al., DeepMind, Mar 2022) [paper]

## **Emergence and Homogenization – LLMs characters**

- **Emergence** : the behavior of an AI system is **implicitly induced** rather than explicitly constructed
  - Some ability of LM is not present in smaller models but is present in larger models (e.g. GPT-3 : in-context learning)
- Homogenization : the consolidation of methodologies for building AI systems across a wide range of applications
  - by **tuning**: Generalist (intermediate) -> Specialist (task-specific, domain-specific)
- Foundation Models : AI models that surpass language-centric capabilities (e.g. multi-modal)

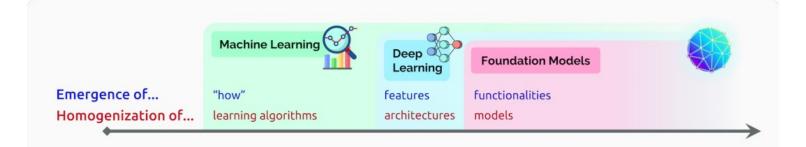


Fig : The story of AI has been one of increasing **emergence and homogenization**. With the introduction of machine learning, **how a task is performed emerges (is inferred automatically) from examples**; with deep learning, the high-level features used for prediction emerge; and with foundation models, even advanced functionalities such as in-context learning emerge. At the same time, machine learning homogenizes learning algorithms (e.g., logistic regression), deep learning homogenizes model architectures (e.g., Convolutional Neural Networks), and **foundation models homogenizes the model itself** (e.g., GPT-3).

#### On the Opportunities and Risks of Foundation Models

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- Fig: On the Opportunities and Risks of Foundation Models (CRFM, HAI at Stanford, v1-Aug 2021) [paper]

# **Fine-tuning**

- Fine-tuning is an approach to transfer learning by **modifying the weights** of a pre-trained model (LLMs) to help it perform better on a **specific task or set of tasks**.
- Full fine-tuning : update all model parameters, use a smaller dataset

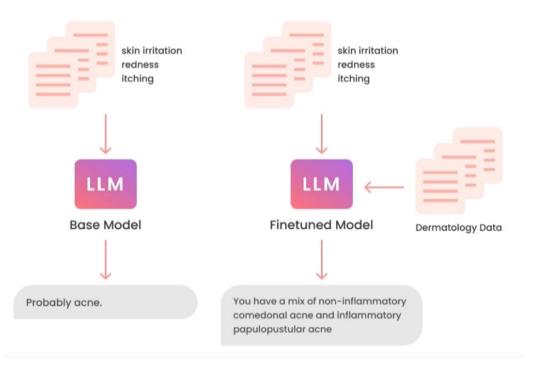


Fig 1: Pretrain-finetune Flow

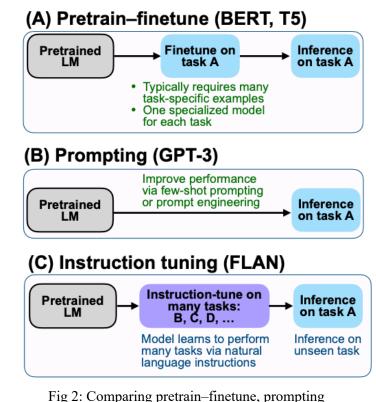


Fig 2: Comparing pretrain–finetune, prompt and instruction tuning

- Fig 1: DeepLearningAI: <u>https://www.deeplearning.ai/short-courses/finetuning-large-language-models/</u>
- Fig 2: [FLAN] Finetuned Language Models Are Zero-Shot Learners (J Wei et al., Google Research, v1-Sep 2021, ICLR 2021) [paper]
- Ludwig (Low code framework) : <u>https://ludwig.ai/latest/user\_guide/llms/finetuning</u>



# **Parameter-Efficient Fine-tuning (PEFT)**

- Why fine-tune all the parameters? -> find a method for **efficiently adapting LLMs** to various downstream applications.
- PEFT : only fine-tune a small number of (extra) model parameters, significantly decreasing computational and storage cost.

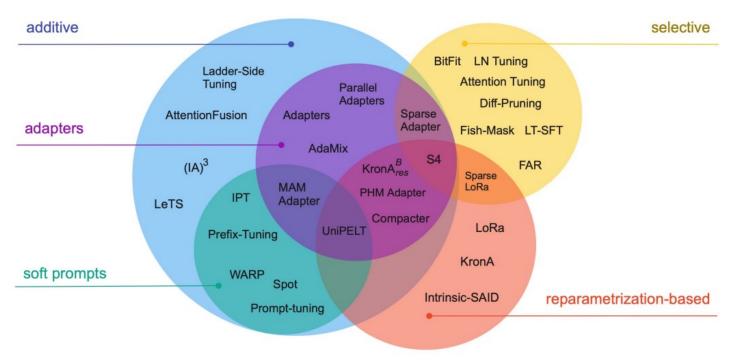


Fig : Parameter-efficient fine-tuning (PEFT) methods taxonomy.

- Fig: Scaling Down to Scale Up: A Guide to Parameter-Efficient Fine-Tuning (V Lialin et al., Mar 2023) [paper] - HuggingFace PEFT: <u>https://huggingface.co/docs/peft/index</u>

- Addition-based: adding extra parameters or layers and training only the newly added parameters.
  Adapters
  - Soft Prompts (E.g. Prompt Tuning)
- Selection-based: fine-tuning only a few top layers of a network (E.g. BitFit)
- Reparametrization-based: leveraging low-rank representation to minimize the number of trainable parameters (E.g. LoRA)



# Low-Rank Adaptation (LoRA)

- An approach to represent the weight updates with two smaller matrices (called update matrices) through low-rank decomposition.
- LM has low "instrisic dimension" and can still learn efficiently despite a random projection to a smaller subspace.
- By updating a much smaller number of parameters, we reduce the computational and memory requirements.

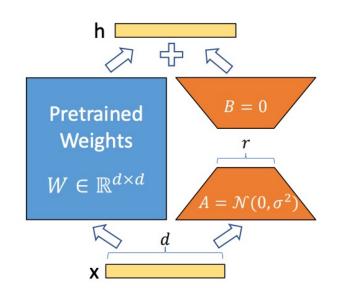


Fig: Reparametrization. LoRA only trains A and B..

#### - Fig: [LoRA] Low-Rank Adaptation of Large Language Models (EJ Hu et al., Microsoft, Jun 2021, ICLR 2021) [paper]

- QLoRA: Efficient Finetuning of Quantized LLMs (T Dettmers et al., U of Washington, May 2023) [paper]
- HuggingFace PEFT: <u>https://huggingface.co/docs/peft/conceptual\_guides/lora</u>
- Efficient Fine-Tuning for Llama-v2-7b (Ludwig): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q68qlo9lzf0

### **Methods**

- $W_0 + \Delta W = W_0 + BA$  (x = input)
- **Original weight matrix**  $W_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ : frozen and doesn't receive any further adjustments
- New low-rank matrix  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times r}$ ,  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times d}$ : reparametrize the original weight matrix into two matrices, *A* and *B*, each low rank *r*.
- **Final results**  $h = W_0 x + \Delta W x = W_0 x + BAx = (W_0 + BA)x$ : both the original and the adapted weights are summed coordinate-wise.

### **Advantages**

### Efficient Fine-Tuning

- Fewer trainable parameters : For GPT3, 10,000x less
- Less GPU memory : for GPT3, 3x less
- Slightly below accuracy to finetuning

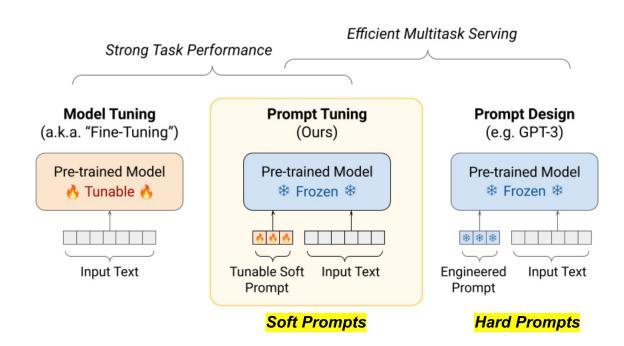
### No Additional inference latency

- For another downstream task, recover original weight  $(W_0)$  and adding a different new LoRA (B'A')
- A quick option with very little memory overhead.



# Prompting

- **Prompting** : frozen LLMs for a specific downstream task by including a (text) prompt that describes the task or even demonstrates an example of the task.
- **Prompt Engineering** : involves human writing, refining and optimizing prompts in a structured way.



### Hard Prompts (a.k.a. Prompt Engineering)

- manually handcrafted text prompts with discrete input tokens;
- (-) it requires a lot of effort to create a good prompt.
- (e.g. Few-shot, Chain of Thought, Instruction tuning)

I want you to act as a spoken English teacher. I will speak to you in English and you will reply to me in English to practice my spoken English. I want you to keep your reply neat, limiting the reply to 100 words. I want you to strictly correct my grammar mistakes and typos. I want you to ask me a question in your reply. Now let's start practicing, you could ask me a question first. Remember, I want you to strictly correct my grammar mistakes, typos and factual errors.

### Soft Prompts (a.k.a. Parameter-Efficient Prompt Tuning)

- are learnable tensors concatenated with the input embeddings that can be optimized to a dataset
- (-) they aren't human readable.
- (e.g. Prompt Tuning, Prefix Tuning, P-tuning)

- What is Prompt Tuning? (IBM) : <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yu27PWzJI\_Y</u>

- Fig (Google Research) : <u>https://blog.research.google/2022/02/guiding-frozen-language-models-with.html</u>

- HuggingFace PEFT: <u>https://huggingface.co/docs/peft/conceptual\_quides/prompting</u>

Prompt Engineering Guide: <u>https://www.promptingguide.ai</u>

- Prompt Engineering Tutorial : <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\_ZvnD73m40o</u>

- GPT (prompt) best practices: <u>https://platform.openai.com/docs/guides/gpt-best-practices</u>



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## **Few-shot Prompting (In-context learning)**

- Human can generally perform a new language task from only a few examples -> "can LMs learn from a few-shot examples?"
- **GPT-3 175B** : scaling up autoregressive LM -> emergent ability of "in-context learning"
- In-context learning : the model develops a broad set of skills at training time, and then uses those abilities at inference time to rapidly adapt to the desired task -> an ability that is non-existent in small models but rapidly improves performance.

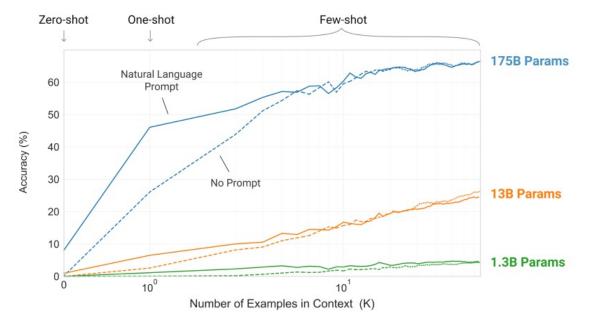


Fig : Larger models make increasingly efficient use of in-context information. The steeper "in-context learning curves" for large models demonstrate improved ability to learn a task from contextual information. We see qualitatively similar behavior across a wide range of tasks.

#### Few-shot

In addition to the task description, the model sees a few examples of the task. No gradient updates are performed.



### No gradient updates

- Zero-shot : task description, prompt
- One-shot : + one example
- Few-shot : + a few examples

### Gradient updates

• fine-tuning



- Fig: [GPT 3] Language Models are Few-Shot Learners (TB Brown et al., OpenAI, May 2020, NIPS 2020) [paper]

# **Chain-of-Thought (CoT) Prompting**

- Chain-of-thought (CoT): enables complex reasoning capabilities through intermediate reasoning steps (Few-shot-CoT).
- Zero-shot-CoT: just add "Let's think step by step" to the original prompt (Not so bad, LM-designed outperforms human-designed).

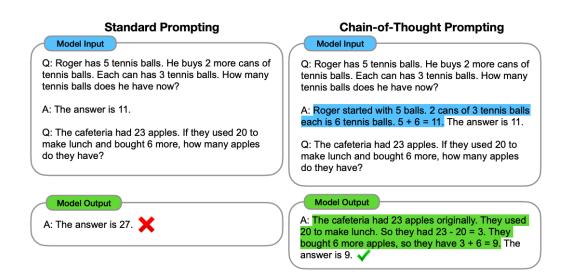


Fig 1: **Chain-of-thought prompting** enables large language models to tackle complex **arithmetic, commonsense, and symbolic reasoning** tasks. Chain-of-thought reasoning processes are highlighted. (using step-by-step reasoning examples per task)

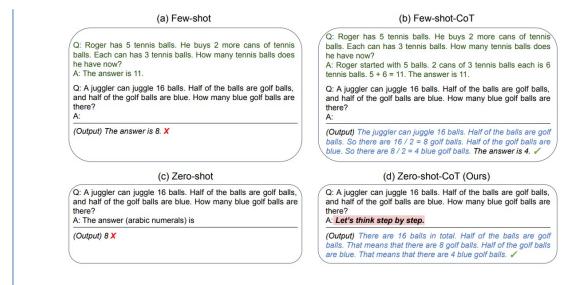


Fig 2: (a) standard Few-shot ([Brown et al., 2020]), (b) Few-shot-CoT ([Wei et al., 2022]), (c) standard Zero-shot, and (d) ours (**Zero-shot-CoT**). Zero-shot-CoT does not need any examples and just uses **the same prompt "Let's think step by step" across all tasks** (arithmetic, symbolic, commonsense, and other logical reasoning tasks)

- Fig 2: Large Language Models are Zero-Shot Reasoners (T Kojima et al., U of Tokyo, v1-May 2022, NIPS 2022) [paper]
- Automatic Chain of Thought Prompting in Large Language Models (Z Zhang et al., Oct 2022, ICLR 2022) [paper]
- Towards Reasoning in Large Language Models: A Survey (J Huang and KCC Chang, U of Illinois, May 2023, ACL 2023 Findings) [paper]



<sup>-</sup> Fig 1: Chain-of-Thought Prompting Elicits Reasoning in Large Language Models (J Wei et al., Google Research, v1- Jan 2022, NIPS 2022) [paper]

## **Instruction Tuning – Instruction Dataset**

• Instruction Tuning : 1) Constructing Instruction dataset, 2) Fine-tuning base LLMs -> Instruction fine-tuned LLMs

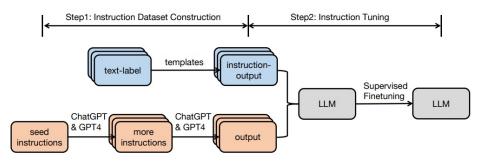


Fig 1: General pipeline of instruction tuning

#### **Step1. Instruction Dataset Construction**

#### 1) Data integration from annotated existing dataset

- Using templates (instruction, output) pairs
- (e.g.) Super-Natural Instructions, P3, xP3, FLAN, etc.

### 2) Generating instruction/output using LLMs

- Manually collecting seed instructions
- Expanding instructions based on a small seed instructions using LLMs (e.g. GPT 3.5 or GPT4)
- Generating outputs using LLMs
- (e.g.) Self-Instruct, Alpaca, GPT-4-LLM, etc.

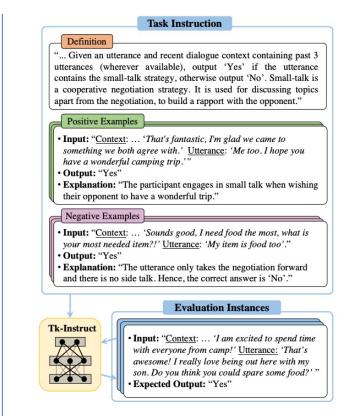


Fig 2: An example task from SUP-NATINST

### **Instruction Dataset Elements**

- **Instruction**: natural language text sequence to specify the task. (e.g. "determine the sentiment of the sentence.")
- **Context (optional)** : external information or additional context that can steer the model to better responses (i.e. positive exs., negative exs., and constrains)
- **Input**: the input or question that we are interested to find a response for (e.g. "*He likes the cat.*" *Is positive or negative*?)
- **Output**: the type or format of the anticipated output based on the instruction and the input. (e.g. *"Positive"*)



- Fig 1: Instruction Tuning for Large Language Models: A Survey (S Zhang et al., Sep 2023) [paper]

- Fig 2: Super-Natural Instructions: Generalization via Declarative Instructions on 1600+ NLP Tasks (Y Wang et al., Apr 2022, EMNLP 2022) [paper]

- [Self-Instruct]: Aligning Language Models with Self-Generated Instructions (Y Wang et al., May 2023, ACL 2023) [paper]
- [GPT-4-LLM] Instruction Tuning with GPT-4 (B Peng et al., Microsoft Research, Apr 2023) [paper]

## **Instruction Tuning – Instruction Tuned LLMs**

<u>Step 2. Instruction tuning</u>: Pretrained LLMs -> Instruction Dataset Construction-> Full fine-tuning -> Instruction fine-tuned LLMs - (e.g.) PaLM (540B) + FLAN 2022 (1.8k tasks | 15M examples | zero-, few-, CoT) -> FLAN-PaLM (540B) - FLAN-PaLM (540B) outperforms PaLM (540B) by a large margin (+9.4% on average)

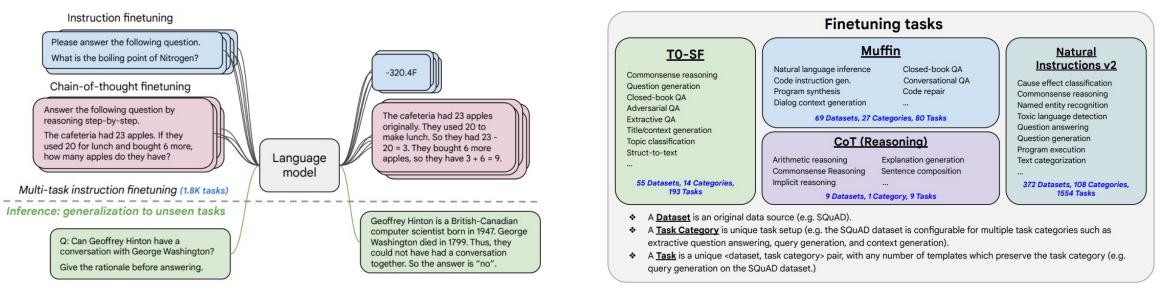


Fig 1: The overview framework of FLAN PaLM. It is fine-tuned by both with and without exemplars (i.e., zero-shot and few-shot) and with and without chain-of-thought, enabling generalization across a range of evaluation scenarios.

Fig 2: FLAN PaLM's finetuning data comprises 473 datasets, 146 task categories, and 1,836 total tasks.

- [FLAN] Finetuned Language Models Are Zero-Shot Learners (J Wei et al., Google Research, v1-Sep 2021, ICLR 2021) [paper][github]
- [FLAN 2022] The Flan Collection: Designing Data and Methods for Effective Instruction Tuning (S Longre et al., Google Research, Feb 2023) [paper][github]
- [PaLM]: Scaling Language Modeling with Pathways (A Chowdhery et al., Google Research, v1- Apr 2022, JMLR 2023) [paper]
- Fig 1, 2: [FLAN PaLM] Scaling Instruction-Finetuned Language Models (HW Chung et al., Google, v1-Oct 2022) [paper]



## Instruction Tuning – Instruction Tuned LLMs

|                    |                            | Model Details      |             |          |         | Data Collection & Training Details |               |       |   |
|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------|----------|---------|------------------------------------|---------------|-------|---|
| Release            | Collection                 | Model              | Base        | Size     | Public? | Prompt Types                       | Tasks in Flan | # Exs | Methods   |
| <b>⊷</b> 2020 05   | UnifiedQA                  | UnifiedQA          | RoBerta     | 110-340M | P       | ZS                                 | 46/46         | 750k  |   |
| <b>⊷</b> 2021 04   | CrossFit                   | BART-CrossFit      | BART        | 140M     | NP      | FS                                 | 115 / 159     | 71.M  |   |
| •• 2021 04         | Natural Inst v1.0          | Gen. BART          | BART        | 140M     | NP      | ZS/FS                              | ଗ / ଗ         | 620k  | + Detailed k-shot Prompts                                 |
| •• 2021 09         | Flan 2021                  | Flan-LaMDA         | LaMDA       | 137B     | NP      | ZS/FS                              | 62 / 62       | 4.4M  | + Template Variety  |
| •• 2021 10         | P3                         | то, то+, то++      | T5-LM       | 3-11B    | P       | ZS                                 | 62 / 62       | 12M   | + Template Variety<br>+ Input Inversion                   |
| <b>⊷</b> 2021 10   | MetaICL                    | MetalCL            | GPT-2       | 770M     | P       | FS                                 | 100 / 142     | 3.5M  | + Input Inversion<br>+ Noisy Channel Opt                  |
| ••• 2021 11        | ExMix                      | ExT5               | Т5          | 220M-11B | NP      | ZS                                 | 72 / 107      | 500k  | + With Pretraining  |
| •• 2022 04         | Super-Natural Inst.        | Tk-Instruct        | T5-LM, mT5  | 11-13B   | P       | ZS/FS                              | 1556 / 1613   | 5M    | + Detailed k-shot Prompts<br>+ Multilingual               |
| <b>⊷</b> 2022 10   | GLM                        | GLM-130B           | GLM         | 130B     | P       | FS                                 | 65 / 77       | 12M   | + With Pretraining<br>+ Bilingual (en, zh-cn)             |
| <b>⊷</b> 2022 11   | xP3                        | BLOOMz, mT0        | BLOOM, mT5  | 13-176B  | P       | ZS                                 | 53 / 71       | 81M   | + Massively Multilingual                                  |
| <b>⊷</b> 2022 12   | Unnatural Inst.†           | T5-LM-Unnat. Inst. | T5-LM       | 11B      | NP      | ZS                                 | ~20 / 117     | 64k   | + Synthetic Data  |
| <b>-</b> 0 2022 12 | Self-Instruct <sup>†</sup> | GPT-3 Self Inst.   | GPT-3       | 175B     | NP      | ZS                                 | Unknown       | 82k   | + Synthetic Data<br>+ Knowledge Distillation              |
| <b>2022 12</b>     | OPT-IML Bench <sup>†</sup> | OPT-IML            | OPT         | 30-175B  | P       | ZS + FS<br>COT                     | ~2067 / 2207  | 18M   | + Template Variety + Input Inversion + Multilingual       |
| •• 2022 10         | Flan 2022 (ours)           | Flan-T5, Flan-PaLM | T5-LM, PaLM | 10M-540B | P       | ZS + FS                            | 1836          | 15M   | + Template Variety<br>+ Input Inversion<br>+ Multilingual |

#### Instruction Tuned LLM examples

#### FLAN-PaLM (540B) - Google

- Pretrained LLMs : PaLM (540B)
- Instruction dataset : FLAN 2022 (1.8k tasks)

#### InstructGPT (175B) - OpenAl

- Pretrained LLMs : GPT3 (175B)
- Instruction dataset : human-crafted, not public
- Using RLHF

#### BLOOMZ (176B) – Huggingface ++ [github]

- Pretrained LLMs : BLOOM (176B) [paper]
- Instruction dataset : xP3 (53 tasks, 46 languages) [paper]

#### Alpaca (7B) – Stanford [Link][github]

- Pretrained LLMs : LLaMA (7B)
- Instruction dataset : Self-instruct from davinci-003 API (52K examples), public

#### Vicuna (13B) – UC Berkley [Link]

- Pretrained LLMs : LLaMA (13B)
- Instruction dataset : User-shared conversations (70K examples), not public



Fig : A Timeline of Public Instruction Tuning Dataset and detailed information on the Instruction fine-tuned LLMs

- Fig: [FLAN 2022] The Flan Collection: Designing Data and Methods for Effective Instruction Tuning (S Longre et al., Google Research, Feb 2023) [paper][github]

# **Reinforcement Learning from Human Feedback (RLHF)**

- **RLHF** : Reinforcement Learning (RL) techniques by integrating human feedback to define the reward signal.
- InstructGPT : aligning LLMs with user intent on a wide range of tasks by fine-tuning with human feedback.

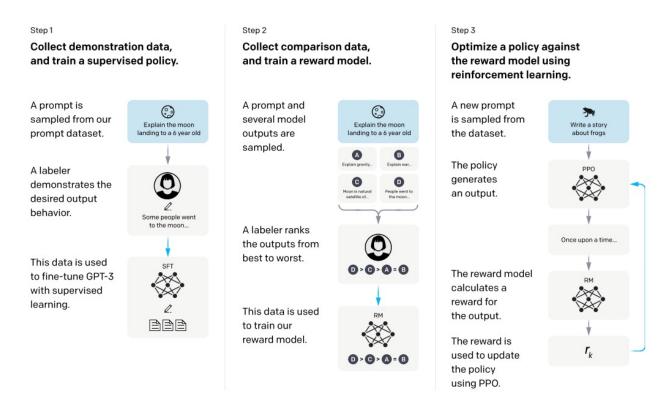


Fig: A procedure illustration of Reinforcement Learning from Human Feedback (RLHF)

- Learning to summarize from human feedback (N Stiennon et al., OpenAI, Feb 2022, NIPS 2020) [paper]

- Fig: [InstructGPT] Training language models to follow instructions with human feedback (L Ouyang et al., OpenAI, Mar 2022, NIPS 2022) [paper]



### <u>Steps</u>

- Supervised fine-tuning (SFT) : An initial model is trained on the human-filtered instruction dataset using supervised learning. (e.g. fine-tune GPT3)
- 2. Reward Model (RM) Training based on Human Feedback : By sampling multiple responses for one instruction, human evaluators rank them from the best to the worst.
- 3. Update SFT Model using RM as a reward function : Use proximal policy optimization (PPO) Reinforcement learning techniques to maximize a reward.
- 4. **Iteration**: Steps 1 to 3 are repeated multiple times until the model performance does not significantly improve.

# Soft Prompts (Parameter-Efficient Prompt Tuning)

• Prompt Tuning Strategy : To find a lightweight alternative to fine-tuning -> efficiency + performance

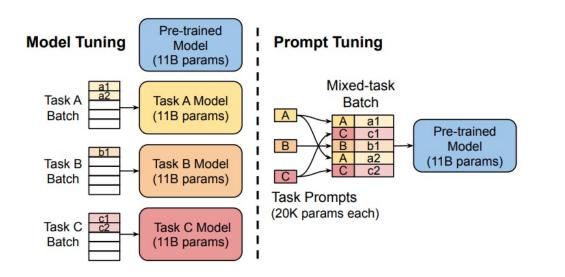


Fig1: [Prompt Tuning] **Model tuning** requires making a task-specific copy of the entire pretrained model for each downstream task and inference must be performed in **separate batches**. **Prompt tuning** only requires **storing a small task-specific prompt** for each task and enables **mixed-task inference** using the original pretrained model.

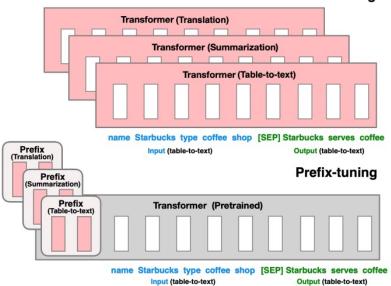


Fig2: [Prefix Tuning] Fine-tuning (top) updates all Transformer parameters (the red Transformer box) and requires storing a full model copy for each task. We propose **prefix-tuning (bottom)**, which freezes the Transformer parameters and **only optimizes the prefix (the red prefix blocks)**. Consequently, we only need to store the prefix for each task, making **prefix-tuning modular and space-efficient**.

- Fig1: [Prompt Tuning] The Power of Scale for Parameter-Efficient Prompt Tuning (B Lester et al., Google Research, Sep 2021, EMNLP 2021) [paper]

- Fig 2: [Prefix Tuning] Prefix-Tuning: Optimizing Continuous Prompts for Generation (XL Li and P Liang, Stanford U, Jan 2021, ACL 2021) [paper]

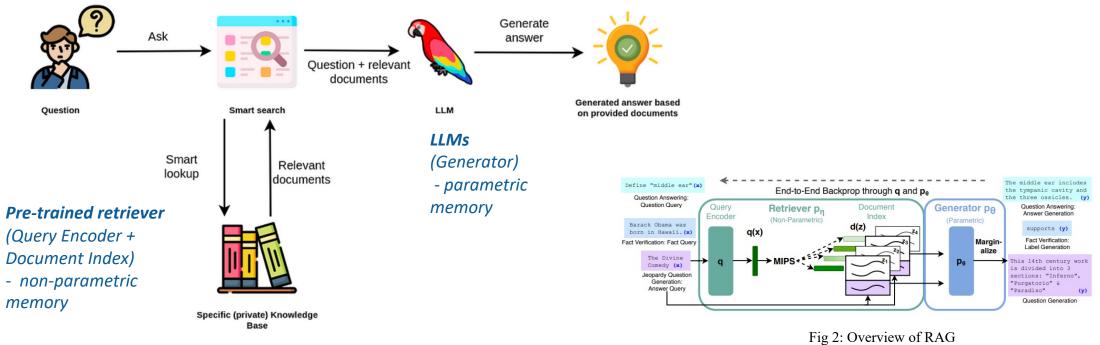
- Pre-train, Prompt, and Predict: A Systematic Survey of Prompting Methods in Natural Language Processing (P Liu et al., CMU, Jul 2021 CSUR 2023) [paper]

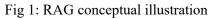


Fine-tuning

# **Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG)**

- RAG : improving the quality of LLM-generated responses by grounding the model on external sources of knowledge.
- An "open book" approach to answering tough questions
- Model has access to the most current and reliable facts -> Build model trust and mitigate "hallucinations" issues.





- Fig 2: Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks (P Lewis et al., v1-May 2020, Facebook AI, NIPS 2020) [paper]
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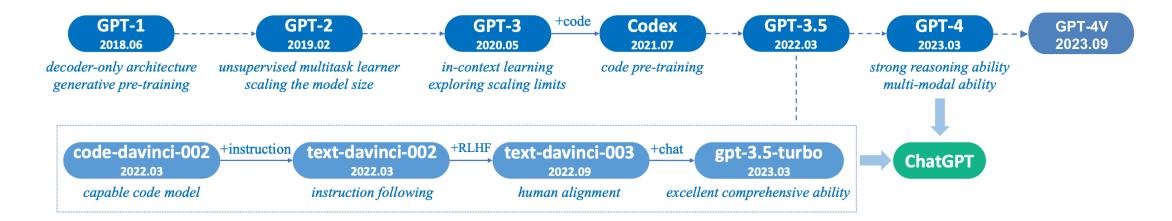


Generative task

Scaling

## **Evolutionary Trends of GPT-series**

- GPT1 (2018, 0.1B) : Uni-directional Transformer (generative, decoder only), fine-tune on each specific task.
- **GPT2 (2019, 1.5B)** : scale, a probabilistic form for multi-task solving, i.e., *p(output|input, task)*
- GPT3 (2020, 175B) : LLM (scaling laws), In-context learning (zero-, one-, few-shot learning)
- Codex (2021, 12B) : Code dataset 159GB -> GitHub Copilot (12B), code-davinci-002 (175B)
- InstructGPT (2022, 175B) : human alignment (RLHF) | GPT3 + Instruct GPT + Codex -> chatGPT application
- GPT4 (2023, Est. 1700B = 1.7T) : human-level performance (e.g. passing bar exam), multi-modal ability



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# **Evolutionary Trends of LLMs**

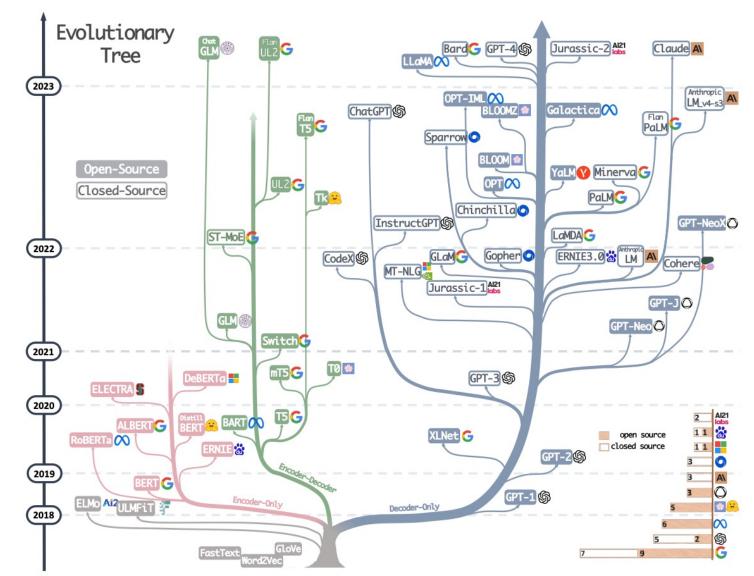
## <u>Encoder-Decoder or Encoder-only</u> (BERT-style)

- Training : Masked LMs
- Model type : Discriminative
- Pretrain task : Predict masked words
- *Models*: ELMo, BERT, RoBERTa, DistilBERT, ALBERT, XLM, ELECTRA, T5, etc.

## Decoder-only

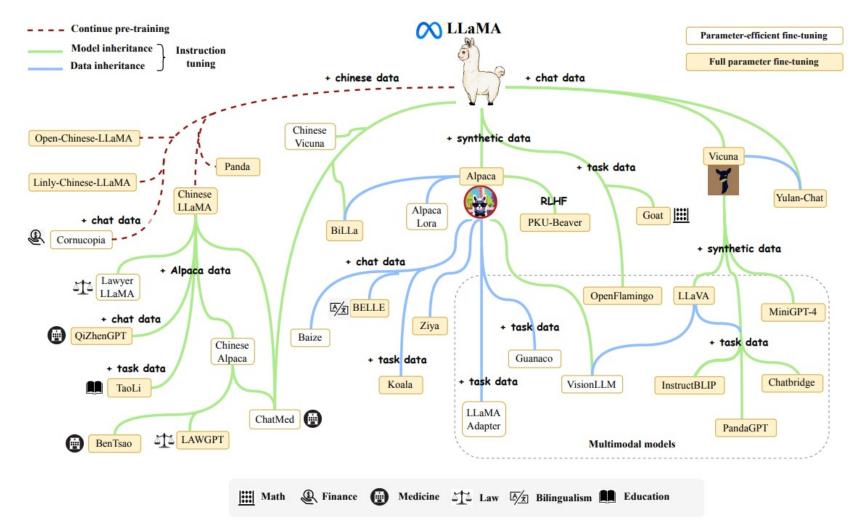
## (GPT-style)

- Training : Autoregressive LMs
- Model type : Generative
- Pretrain task : Predict next word
- Models: GPT-3, OPT, PaLM, BLOOM, MT-NLG, Gopher, Chinchilla, LaMDA, LLaMA, etc.



- Fig: Harnessing the Power of LLMs in Practice: A Survey on ChatGPT and Beyond (J Yang et al., Apr 2023)[paper][aithub]

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