"Al for Everyone: Unleashing the Power of Open Source Tools"

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Off the grid? Catch me just soaking up nature to recharge for the next big idea.











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Why the topic?



The world: Al powered Innovation

American
Politician
: A1 steak
sauce everywhere

Al is the new electricity. About 100 years ago, electricity transformed every major industry. Al has advanced to the point where it has the power to transform

Andrew Ng co-founder of Coursera and an adjunct Stanford professor



"What do you think of when you hear

AI?"



"What do you think of when you hear

'open-source' AI?"

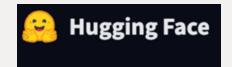
open-source Al

- Open-source AI refers to artificial intelligence technologies, tools, libraries, and frameworks that are made publicly available for anyone to use, modify, and distribute.
- Unlike proprietary Al systems, where the underlying code and models are kept closed and controlled by specific companies

Benefits of using open-source Al

- Accessibility & Transparency: Open-source projects thrive on collaboration.
- By being publicly available, anyone can contribute to the code, improve algorithms, report bugs, or propose new features -> Foster Innovation
- Cost Effective: reduces the financial barrier
- Flexibility and Customization: easy moldable

Popular open-source Al











Open datasets, Open models, Open tools

that's how opensource AI has changed the landscape.

Why Pretrained models are a catalyst?

- Save Time: no need to train from scratch—just fine-tune or use directly.
- Save Resources: Training from scratch = GPUs + \$\$\$. Pretrained = run on laptop or free tier cloud
- **Easy to Plug Into Apps**: Most are available via APIs or model hubs with one-liners.
- Community-Supported & Open Source: You benefit from updates, benchmarks, and shared knowledge.(win:win)
- Rapid Prototyping : Go from idea to working app fast.
- Goal is to Focus on Innovation, Not Reinvention

Why Low-Code in Open Source Matters

Accessible: Anyone with basic scripting skills or even no-code platforms can use it.

Faster Prototyping: Build Al apps in hours, not weeks. Pretrained models drastically reduces training time

Cost-Effective: No need to hire full ML teams—just plug and play.

Community-Driven: Tons of examples, templates, and support from the open source community.

Local anecdotes to understand impact of Al

1. Al in Healthcare: Enhancing Decision-Making

Dr. Erik faces a tough decision: should a patient who just had a cardiac arrest undergo a risky treatment?

With just a few clicks, he uses an Al-powered tool developed at the University of Gothenburg. It compares the patient's data to thousands of previous cases, giving Erik clear, data-backed guidance.

For him, it's not just about tech—it's about saving lives with confidence.



Local anecdotes to understand impact of Al

2. Safer Streets for All

Fatima, an older woman who uses a walker, heads out to visit her grandchildren.

Her phone vibrates: "Steep curb ahead."

The alert comes from an Al app developed in Gothenburg that helps people with reduced mobility navigate urban environments.

It reads traffic patterns, sidewalk conditions, and user data—keeping Fatima safer, step by step.

Remember, We want the system to adapt to different needs and situations Therefore, it is important that we include people from different life conditions in the project



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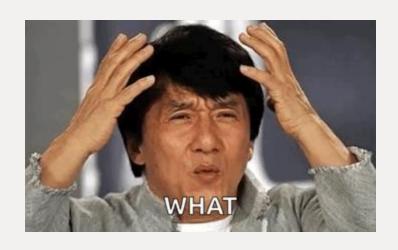
Al in Law Enforcement: Facial Recognition **Technology**

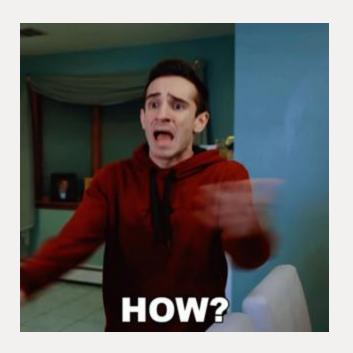
The Swedish government has proposed legislation allowing police to use Al-powered facial recognition to combat serious crimes such as human trafficking and murder, bolstering public safety.



BankID, Sweden's electronic identification system, boasts a 94% usage rate among smartphone users. Developed by multiple Swedish banks, it facilitates secure online transactions and access to various services, exemplifying Al's role in streamlining financial operations.



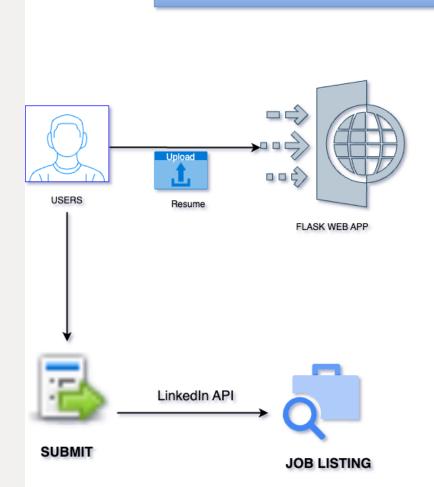


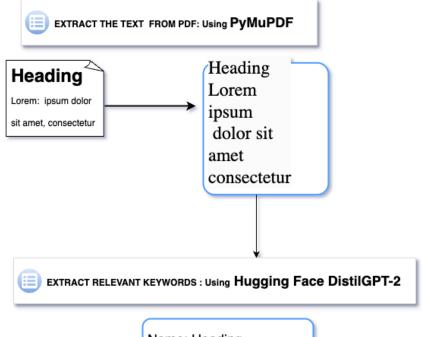




Wish me luck

Resume Parser + Job Search using Open Source Al





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Location: Lorem ipsum

Skills:

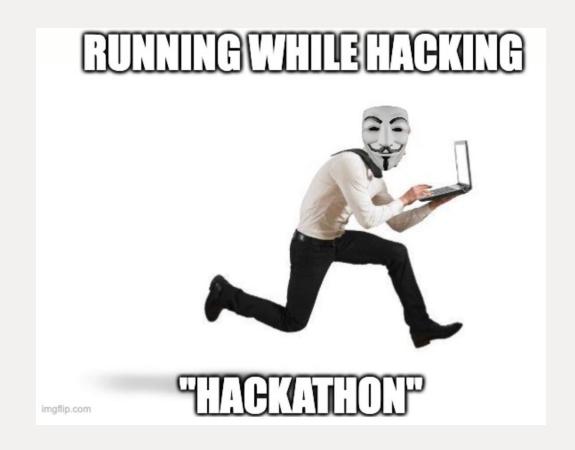
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: Hack the clock

How Open Source Al is a game changer?

What are Hackathons?



What are Hackathons?

- Hackathon is time bound event where people collaborate to develop innovative solutions to specific problems or challenges
- Learn a new skill and technology
- You collaborate with like minded people
- Enhance your problem solving capabilities





How Open Source Al is a game changer?

- Time is essence in hackathons: Avoid Reinventing the Wheel
- Focus on Rapid Prototyping
- Leverage use of Pretrained models, samples, templates
- Master the ART of Get the right tool for the right work
- Community Support and Collaboration: Open-source projects foster collaboration, (Reddit, FOSS, GitHub, Stack Overflow)
- **Cost Efficiency:** No Licensing Fees
- Make Scalable and Flexible Hackathon Solution: Since opensource tools allow you to modify the code, you have the flexibility

The TRUTH!!

Developers during hackathon: We built an entire application in just 3 days.

Developers after hackathon: Adding that icon is going to take 3 weeks.

Smart India Hackathon Winner



Tips for Getting Started with Open-Source Al

- Start small: Use pre-trained models and low code no code strategies
- Leverage the community: Participate in open-source forums and communities.
- Participate in Hackathons, Project presentations, Seminars
- Use online resources (tutorials, courses, and documentation) to learn.
- Pro Tip: coding one line at a time.

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That's how I want the hall to look like



tills nästa gång

