# Evaluating AI: <br> From Crowdsourcing Truth <br> To Truth-finding Processes 



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## GPT - 4




## Human detection of AI-generated article



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## On the Opportunities and Risks of Foundation Models

Center for Research on Foundation Models


Stanford University Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence

## Human evaluation defines truth for AI

- What color is the flower?
- Yellow



## Human evaluation defines truth for AI



## Explanation informs human decision



Formal proofs


Legal arguments

## Explanation as a truth-finding process



## Explanation as a truth-finding process

A process to gather additional information to support human evaluation of AI outputs.


## Training AI to explain itself



Capability assessment


Human-AI collaboration


Training
future AIs

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Q3: What color is flower?
A3: Yellow
Difference makers lead to large delta

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## Seems odd. Does it generalize?

SQuAD
Context In 1899, John Jacob Astor IV invested \$100,000 for
Tesla to further develop and produce a new lighting
system. Instead, Tesla used the money to fund his
Colorado Springs experiments.
Original What did Tesla spend Astor's money on ?
Reduced did
Confidence $0.78 \rightarrow 0.91$
SNLI
Premise Well dressed man and woman dancing in the street
Original Two man is dancing on the street
Answer Contradiction
Reduced dancing
Confidence $0.977 \rightarrow 0.706$

## Pathological high confidence on uninformative inputs



# Removing unimportant feature leads to big delta in importance 



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## What did we learn?

1. If models have these pathologies, we cannot expect reasonable explanations with this method.
2. It's expected that models have these issues. We argue that the intuitive way to extract explanations doesn't work with these models.
3. Reduced example is a caricature. Generalization to OOD is always hard.
4. It is indeed partly an issue of post-hoc method.

## What did we learn?

Our intuitive notion of importance has complex mathematical implicationsproperties that humans might satisfy but AIs might not.

## What did we learn?

1. Pathological high confidence

EMNLP 18 ICML 21
2. Poor consistency across counterfactuals

ICML 19



## What's next?



1. Psychological expectation

2. Mathematical formulation

3. Validate AI \& design solutions

## What's next?



EMNLP 19


NAACL 21

## What's next?



- Humans cannot explain AI yet.
- AI explaining itself requires non-trivial extrapolation beyond human capability.

How can AIs learn to explain better?


Plausible

How can the applicant improve?

Implausible



Plausible

How can the applicant improve?

## Education

Implausible



Plausible

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How can the applicant improve?

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Plausible

How can the applicant improve?

Gender, race

Implausible




Plausible

Education

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## Implausible

Gender, race


Plausible

Education

How can the applicant improve?

## Experience, Role

Gender, race


## Plausible

Education
Experience, Role

How can the applicant improve?

## Implausible

Gender, race


## Plausible

Education
Experience, Role

How can the applicant improve?

## Country of origin

Gender, race


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How can the applicant improve?

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## Plausible

Implausible



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Plausible

How can the applicant improve?

## Get a masters degree

Implausible



## Plausible

Get a masters degree Currently: bachelor

How can the applicant improve?

## Implausible

Get a masters degree
Currently: high-school

## Learning to explain better



Explanation is highly contextual.
Full context isn't available.
The plan:

1. Model the interpretation process.
2. Learn from feedback, not demonstration.

## Learning to explain better



What would model?

1. Form of explanation
2. Level of details
3. Persuasiveness

## Learning to explain better



What would

1. Form of explanation
2. Level of details

Online adaptation to real human users!

# Designing the testbed Goal: better human-AI performance 

## Dream



## Designing the testbed: QA

Question

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Allows for adjustment \& adaptation.

## Incremental QA: gamification

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1. Human +AI teams compete against each other
2. Low stake, but high engagement
3. Sequential, fine-grained comparison
4. We can make the task arbitrarily difficult
5. Near expert-level AIs




## Alternatives

Highlights
Evidence


Crowdworkers


Experts


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## Alternatives



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## Learning to explain better



## Learning to explain better, selectively



What would actually do?

1. Model the interpretation process
2. Choose configuration for each decision

## Learning to explain better, selectively



Expected score given
Question (x_i)
Player (s_j)
Explanation (config, t)

## Learning to explain better, selectively



Offline warm-start $f\left(y \mid\left\langle x_{i}, s_{j}\right\rangle ; \theta\right)$

Online
Bandit
$f\left(y \mid\left\langle x_{i}, s_{j}, t\right\rangle ; \theta\right)$


## What did we learn?



1. AIs can learn to explain better!
2. How? Adjust level of details.
3. Warm-starting the user model.
4. Engagement is crucial

Pragmatic Machine Explanations

## What's next? Pragmatic summarization

We started from off-the-shelf post-hoc methods.
Adjustment: which one to show.
Limitation: flexibility.
But it was an intentional choice to prioritize efficiency.


Pragmatic Summarizations

## What's next? Theory of pragmatic exp.

1. Pragmatic inference TMLR 23
2. Moral philosophy \& ethics; agency


## What's next? Imperfect knowledge users

1. Recommendation systems
2. Radiologist support $\&$ training ICLR 23


## Extrapolate beyond human capabilities?

Supervise process, not outcome


Methods for explanations


Incentives for explanations

## Solution space of two different problems

AIs that can do a task<br>AIs that help me at the task



Self-improving Tools

## Truth-finding process for and with AI

## Intelligence <br> Augmentation <br> for experts

AI for science

# AI safety <br> Alignment <br> AI x-risks 

Where we are going, we don't need roads groundtruths!


## Thank you for listening!

## AI eval <br>  <br> "On the Opportunities and Risks of Foundation Models" by OpenAl.

Learn to explain better


## Imitating humans



What color is the flower ?

Future work


