

AI News Digest

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WEEKLY DIGEST: HUMANITIES & CULTURAL STUDIES

AI Systems Assume New Roles in Management and Cognition

Recent articles explore the evolving capabilities and potential applications of AI systems. From proposing new frameworks for collaboration among AI agents to assuming leadership roles in companies, AI is transforming various aspects of our lives. The development of Large Language Models (LLMs) has also led to a deeper understanding of their limitations and potential biases. Furthermore, AI is being used to recreate and showcase historical and cultural experiences.

KEY FINDINGS

- ✓ Cisco's Outshift division proposes a new framework called the 'Internet of Cognition' to enable collaboration among AI agents across domains.
- ✓ Large language models (LLMs) have notable limitations, including a potential blind spot in assessing information reliability.
- ✓ A virtual tour titled 'Religious Itinerancy' has been developed to recreate and showcase the travels of Buddhist monks using digital technology.

IMPLICATIONS

- AI systems may assume leadership roles in companies, operating as decentralized agentic loops.
- The development of more sophisticated AI systems will require a deeper understanding of their limitations and potential biases.
- The use of AI in cultural and historical preservation may lead to new forms of storytelling and experience.

Key Metrics: None explicitly mentioned in the articles.

1. The path to artificial superintelligence

Category: Research

Departments: Computer Science, Electrical & Computer Engineering, Industrial, Manufacturing & Systems Engineering, Mathematical Sciences, Philosophy

Topics: Multimodal AI, Internet of Agents, Distributed AI Systems, Multi-Agent Collaboration

Impact Score: 21.0

Rubric Scores

Research Relevance: 4

Educational Value: 4

Innovation / Novelty: 4

Practical Impact: 4

Interdisciplinary Potential: 3

Ethical / Policy Implications: 2

Cisco's Outshift division proposes a new framework for enabling collaboration among AI agents across domains, called the "Internet of Cognition". This framework relies on a semantic layer that enables agents to share intent, context, and reasoning, built on top of a connectivity layer called the "Internet of Agents". The goal is to facilitate horizontal scaling of AI systems, allowing agents to work together and solve problems that none of them were trained to solve individually. This approach aims to enable "distributed artificial superintelligence" and improve performance in multi-agent systems.

<https://www.technologyreview.com/2026/07/27/1140724/the-path-to-artificial-superintelligence/>

2. When the Code Becomes the CEO: Why Your Next Manager Might Be a Decentralized Agentic Loop

Category: Business

Departments: Computer Science, Political Science & Public Administration, Economics & Finance, Philosophy

Topics: Enterprise AI, Autonomous Systems, Decentralized Agentic Loops, AI Leadership

Impact Score: 18.0

Rubric Scores

Research Relevance: 2

Educational Value: 3

Innovation / Novelty: 3

Practical Impact: 2

Interdisciplinary Potential: 4

Ethical / Policy Implications: 4

The article discusses the potential future of management in companies, where AI systems may assume leadership roles. In this vision, autonomous agents could manage businesses, operating as decentralized agentic loops that exist solely in digital space. The author argues that current AI systems are not yet capable of running a business autonomously and identifies gaps in the current AI stack that need to be addressed. The article explores the implications of this shift and what needs to be built to enable AI systems to take on management roles.

<https://towardsdatascience.com/when-the-code-becomes-the-ceo-why-your-next-manager-might-be-a-decentralized-agentic-loop/>

3. How to Decode the Temperature Parameter in LLMs

Category: Research

Departments: Computer Science, Mathematical Sciences, Physics, Philosophy

Topics: Large Language Models, Temperature Parameter, Statistical Physics

Impact Score: 18.0

Rubric Scores

Research Relevance: 4

Educational Value: 4

Innovation / Novelty: 3

Practical Impact: 2

Interdisciplinary Potential: 4

Ethical / Policy Implications: 1

A recent article examines the temperature parameter in Large Language Models (LLMs) through the lens of statistical physics. The author draws an analogy between the phase transition in physical systems and the shift from deterministic predictions to generative AI. This perspective provides insight into the role of the temperature parameter in controlling the output of LLMs. The discussion offers a theoretical framework for understanding the behavior of LLMs.

<https://towardsdatascience.com/decoding-the-temperature-parameter-in-llms/>

4. Popular vs. reliable sources-a blind spot in how LLMs assess information

Category: Research

Departments: Computer Science, Philosophy, Psychology, Mathematical Sciences, Communication

Topics: Large Language Models, Information Retrieval, Hallucination Mitigation

Impact Score: 14.0

Rubric Scores

Research Relevance: 2

Educational Value: 3

Innovation / Novelty: 1

Practical Impact: 2

Interdisciplinary Potential: 3

Ethical / Policy Implications: 3

Large language models (LLMs), which power conversational platforms like ChatGPT, are widely used for information retrieval, summarization, and text generation. However, these models have notable limitations. The article highlights the disparity between the models' widespread adoption and their existing shortcomings. Further research is needed to address these limitations.

<https://techxplora.com/news/2026-07-popular-reliable-sources-llms.html>

5. Review: Religious Itinerancy

Category: Research

Departments: Computer Science, Philosophy

Topics: Cultural Heritage Preservation, Digital Humanities, Virtual Museum Tours

Impact Score: 14.0

Rubric Scores

Research Relevance: 2

Educational Value: 2

Innovation / Novelty: 2

Practical Impact: 3

Interdisciplinary Potential: 4

Ethical / Policy Implications: 1

A virtual tour titled "Religious Itinerancy" has been developed, featuring the travels of Buddhist monks, under the direction of Yuan-ju Liu. This project utilizes digital technology to recreate and showcase the journeys of Buddhist monks, providing an immersive experience. The virtual tour aims to promote cultural understanding and preservation of religious heritage. The development of this tour contributes to the application of digital methods in the study and presentation of religious history.

<https://reviewsindh.pubpub.org/pub/religious-itinerancy>