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Thinking Critically About AI

Large language models (LLMs) like ChatGPT and image synthesis models like DALL-E have come to typify the term "AI" in the public imagination. These software systems are often perceived as inscrutable, omniscient, naive, charming and – above all – very, very strange. This strangeness is accentuated by economic trends in automation of customer service, outreach and professional communications, and accelerated by massive investment in startups and infrastructure specifically built for LLMs. It has also become a dangerous strangeness, eroding trust in college applicants, students' homework submissions and information on the internet at large.

Dr. Osborn will employ his training in AI to explain and explicate the seemingly ongoing LLM frenzy, from its technical foundations to its economic context. This means that no matter your level of knowledge or experience with AI, you are sure to take away some valuable insights.

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