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The Lead

[1] OpenAI rolls out new text-generating models that it claims are less toxic

[2] MinIO's earns unicorn status for multicloud object storage apps

[3] Sonatype, which secures open source code, lays groundwork for IPO



The Follow

[1] Large language models (LLMs) such as OpenAI's GPT-3, which can “write” sentences that read nearly like they were written by a human, can be prompted to perform a range of writing tasks given only a few examples of those tasks. For example, LLMs have been used to create marketing materials and video game levels in addition to recipes, poetry, and movie scripts. But because LLMs learn to write from examples taken from sometimes toxic communities, they can fall victim to parroting misinformation, sexism, ageism, racism, and conspiracies.

Efforts to combat toxicity in LLMs have generated mixed results. But OpenAI claims that it's developed a new family of models, InstructGPT, that are less likely to generate problematic text while more closely aligning with a user's intent. After piloting InstructGPT with select customers using the OpenAI API, the company's AI-as-a-service API, last year, OpenAI is making the new models the default on the API for text generation.

Though, this is an ongoing challenge in the industry as a whole. Toxicity in AI — whether involving language or otherwise — is far from a solved problem. As OpenAI concedes, there is much work to be done. >> **Read more**.

[2] It's rare that a startup specializing in data storage reaches a unicorn valuation of \$1 billion, but MinIO of Palo Alto, Calif, pulled it off when it announced a \$103 million series B funding transaction yesterday.

While it was originally designed for S3 use cases, MinIO CEO and cofounder AB Perisamy said it can be used in any cloud environment. Currently, between patched-together and often distantly separated storage systems, a fast data platform that plugs everything together isn't common.

“We have more than 11 million active deployments on the public cloud, private cloud, and edge,” Perisamy said.

MinIO earned its newfound corporate status based on its multicloud, AWS S3-compatible object storage suite of apps that the companies says, relies on versatility and AI, are what separate it from competitors. >> **Read more.**

[3] As security for software development climbs higher on the list of corporate priorities, one of the pioneers in the space, Sonatype, aims to seize on the opportunity by going public as early as this year.

Sonatype coined the term “software supply chain management,” said CEO Wayne Jackson, for technology that enables the open source code used by developers to meet quality and security requirements. Now, the fast-growing company aims to be one of the first in software supply chain security to complete an initial public offering. The Sonatype IPO could come “as soon as late this year,” though it’s more likely to arrive in 2023, Jackson told VentureBeat. Other signs that an IPO could be on the horizon: Sonatype surpassed \$100 million in annual recurring revenue during the fourth quarter of 2021, up 30% from the same period the year before, Jackson said. And the growth pace is expected to accelerate this year, to between 35% and 40%, he said. >> **Read more.**



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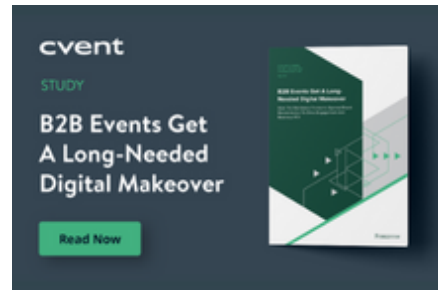
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