

ABSTRACT & SUMMARY SUPERINTELLIGENCE DESIGN WHITE PAPER #3: Human-Centered Artificial General Intelligence

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ABSTRACT

Artificial General Intelligence (AGI) is safer if humans are kept "in the loop." However, until now, no architecture for AGI has existed that is both human-centered and highly scalable. The current invention of human-centered AGI not only includes humans in the loop but also scales to superhuman speeds while retaining human-aligned values.

The white paper describes novel systems and methods that include: a) reputational methods that increase the efficiency and effectiveness of problem solving by the (human and AI) intelligent entities that collaborate in the AGI system; b) use of LLMs' abilities to understand and translate natural language into a universal problem solving protocol; c) use of tree data structures combined with rewards to direct attention; and d) use of blockchain technology to reward problem solvers and capture a rigorous and auditable record of every cognitive step.

Human-centered AGI can be implemented more rapidly than any existing approach.

SUMMARY

Design White Paper #3 describes a novel system for creating safe and effective Artificial General Intelligence (AGI). The White Paper's central thesis is that the fastest path to AGI is also the safest. The design is based on a human-centered network architecture that combines human and AI problem-solving agents, leveraging the strengths while mitigating the risks associated with purely AI-driven systems.

White Paper #3 proposes a network-based approach to AGI that leverages a common architecture for human and AI cognition. This architecture enables both humans and AI agents to collaborate in solving problems, harnessing the strengths of both while mitigating the risks of purely AI-driven systems. The network is based on the Human Problem Solving (HPS) framework, which provides a structured and rigorous method for problem-solving. The HPS



framework is designed to be easily understood and used by humans and Al agents, facilitating a collaborative and transparent process.

The White Paper emphasizes the importance of human values in the design and development of AGI. It advocates for a human-centered approach that ensures the AI system is aligned with human values and ethics from the outset. This is achieved through the integration of human problem-solving agents into the network and through the training of Al agents with human values.

The White Paper acknowledges the potential risks of developing SuperIntelligent AI, particularly regarding alignment and safety. It argues that the proposed human-centered approach mitigates these risks by ensuring that human values and ethics are embedded in the system from the beginning.

The White Paper outlines several key benefits of the proposed system:

Safety: The system mitigates the risks associated with misaligned or uncontrolled Al by integrating humans into the problem-solving process and training Al agents with human values.

Scalability: The network architecture can be scaled to accommodate a wide range of human and Al solvers, enabling the system to handle complex and diverse problems.

Transparency and Auditability: The system's rigorous and transparent architecture allows for the monitoring and auditing the problem-solving process, increasing trust and accountability.

Speed: The system's efficient and collaborative approach allows for faster problem-solving, enabling rapid progress towards the development of AGI.

The White Paper concludes by emphasizing the importance of the proposed design, arguing that it represents the fastest and safest path to the development of AGI.

Novel Features of the White Paper

The White Paper proposes a novel approach to the development of AGI that distinguishes itself from existing AI systems in several key ways:

Human-Centered Architecture: The proposed system is based on a human-centered network architecture that incorporates both human and AI agents, leveraging the strengths while mitigating the risks associated with purely Al-driven systems.



Explicit Integration of Human Values: The White Paper emphasizes the importance of human values in the design and development of AGI. It advocates for a human-centered approach that ensures the AI system is aligned with human values and ethics from the outset.

Transparency and Auditability: The system's architecture is designed to be transparent and auditable, allowing for the monitoring and auditing the problem-solving process, increasing trust and accountability.

Incremental Learning: The system leverages incremental learning, enabling Al agents to learn from the experience of humans and other Al agents, leading to continuous improvement.

Democratization of Ethical Decision-Making: The White Paper proposes a democratic approach to ethical decision-making, allowing human owners of Al agents to train their agents with their own values and ethics.

Detailed Description of Each Section of the White Paper

The White Paper is organized into several sections, each addressing a key aspect of the proposed system:

Abstract: The Abstract outlines the White Paper's central thesis: the fastest path to AGI is also the safest. The design is based on a human-centered network architecture that combines human and Al problem-solving agents, leveraging the strengths while mitigating the risks associated with purely Al-driven systems.

Background: This section provides context for the White Paper by outlining the current state of Al research and the challenges associated with developing AGI. It highlights the importance of solving the alignment problem to ensure that AGI is aligned with human values and ethics.

System and Methods for Human-Centered AGI: This section describes the core system architecture and methods for implementing the human-centered AGI system. It highlights the use of a common architecture for human and Al cognition, the importance of human values in the system's design, and the role of a rigorous problem-solving framework.

How to Build AGI in the Fastest, Safest Manner: This section describes building the humancentered AGI network. It emphasizes the importance of a network-based approach that leverages the collective intelligence of human and Al problem-solving agents.

Benefits of a Common Architecture for Al and Human Cognition: This section outlines the benefits of the proposed common architecture for human and Al cognition, including the ability



to avoid unintentional errors, enable automatic learning, ensure scalability and modularity, and maximize safety.

Avoiding Unintentional Errors: This section explains how the common architecture helps to avoid unintentional errors by providing a rigorous framework for problem-solving that ensures that Al agents are aligned with human values and ethics.

Enabling Automatic Learning: This section describes how the common architecture enables automatic learning by allowing Al agents to learn from the experience of both humans and other Al agents.

Enabling Scalability: This section explains how the common architecture enables scalability by allowing the system to accommodate a wide range of human and Al solvers.

Enabling Modularity and Scalability: This section explains how the common architecture enables modularity and scalability by allowing new AI agents to be easily integrated into the system.

Maximizing Safety: This section discusses the importance of safety in the development of AGI and highlights how the proposed system's architecture and human-centered design maximize safety by ensuring that the AI system is aligned with human values and ethics.

One Preferred Implementation of the AGI Network: This section describes a specific implementation of the human-centered AGI network based on the Human Problem Solving (HPS) framework.

The Theory of Human Problem Solving: This section provides background information on the HPS framework, a model of human problem-solving developed by Newell and Simon.

Why HPS Works for Al Agents: This section explains how the HPS framework can be applied to developing Al agents, enabling them to learn and improve their problem-solving capabilities.

Easy for Humans to Participate: This section describes how humans can easily participate in the HPS-based problem-solving process, contributing their expertise and knowledge.

Required Systems and Methods for AGI Network Already Exist: This section explains how the necessary systems and methods for implementing the human-centered AGI network already exist in computer programming.



AGI Network Solves the "Representation Problem": This section discusses the importance of problem representation in AI and how the proposed AGI network addresses this challenge by combining the strengths of human and Al problem-solving agents.

Multi-Modal Representations: This section explains how using multi-modal representations, incorporating visual, auditory, and other sensory data, can enhance the intelligence of Al agents.

LLMs Facilitate Human-Al Interaction: This section discusses the role of large language models (LLMs) in facilitating communication between humans and Al agents.

HPS Highly Scalable: This section explains how the HPS framework is highly scalable, enabling the system to handle various problems.

The Role of Attention: This section discusses the importance of attention in problem-solving and how the AGI network addresses this challenge by guiding human and AI solvers toward the most relevant problems.

Learning via Proceduralization of Knowledge (Solutions): This section discusses how Al agents can learn and improve their problem-solving capabilities by learning from the experience of other AI agents and humans.

Unique Approach to AGI: This section argues that the proposed approach to AGI is unique and innovative, differentiating it from other AI research and development efforts.

Human Training of AAAIs Influences Safety: This section emphasizes the importance of training Al agents with human values to ensure they behave ethically.

Democratization of Ethical Values in Safety: This section discusses the importance of democratizing ethical decision-making in Al by empowering human owners of Al agents to train their agents with their own values.

Role of System Rules and Norms in Safety: This section explains how the AGI network can further incorporate rules and norms to enhance safety and ethical behavior.

Role of Reputation in Safety: This section discusses how the AGI network can leverage reputation and track records to promote ethical behavior and foster user trust.



Safety Checks at the Speed of Al Thought: This section explains how safety checks can be integrated into the AGI network to ensure that ethical considerations are considered during the problem-solving process.

Implementation Example: This section provides a specific implementation example of the human-centered AGI network, illustrating how the system can train and deploy AI agents.

Diagrams

Diagrams are available in a separate file.

Importance of White Paper #3

- First, it proposes a novel and innovative approach to the development of AGI that addresses the critical challenge of alignment and safety. The White Paper's humancentered approach emphasizes incorporating human values and ethics into the system's design, offering a potentially safer alternative to purely Al-driven systems.
- Second, it is forward-looking, recognizing the importance of Al-driven problem-solving in the context of rapid technological advancements and the increasing role of AI in various aspects of human life. It anticipates the need for a scalable, flexible, and adaptable system that can evolve and adapt to changing needs and circumstances.
- Third, it highlights the importance of collaboration between human and Al agents, recognizing their strengths. It proposes a system that leverages the combined intelligence of both humans and AI to solve complex problems, ultimately leading to a more efficient and effective problem-solving process.
- Finally, it provides a detailed and comprehensive overview of the system architecture and methods for implementing the proposed human-centered AGI system. This level of detail is crucial for facilitating the implementation and testing of the system by researchers and developers, potentially leading to significant advancements in Al research and development.

The White Paper's proposed human-centered approach to AGI is a significant departure from traditional AI development paradigms, which often focus on developing ever-more powerful AI systems without adequately addressing the challenges of alignment and safety. By emphasizing human values, ethics, and collaboration in its design, this White Paper presents a compelling vision for the development of safe and effective AGI that can benefit humanity.