



# Could AI be the Answer to Your Grantwriting Woes?

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### Al, Machine Learning and Large Language Models

#### **Artificial Intelligence**

The broadest category, encompasses all intelligent systems

#### **Machine Learning**

A subset of Al. Systems that learn from data.

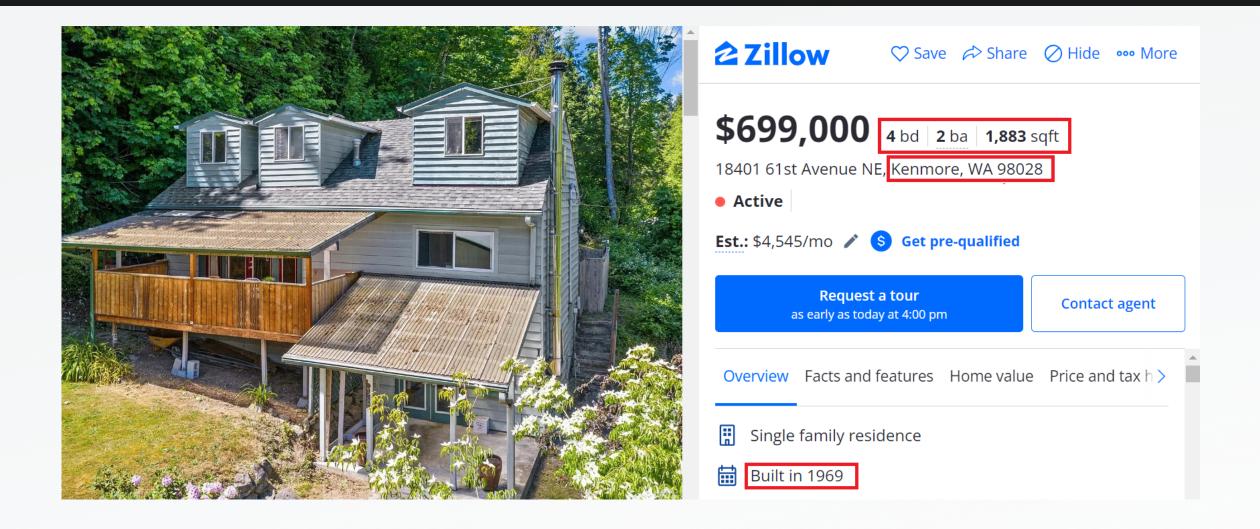
#### **Deep Learning**

A subset of machine learning that uses neural networks

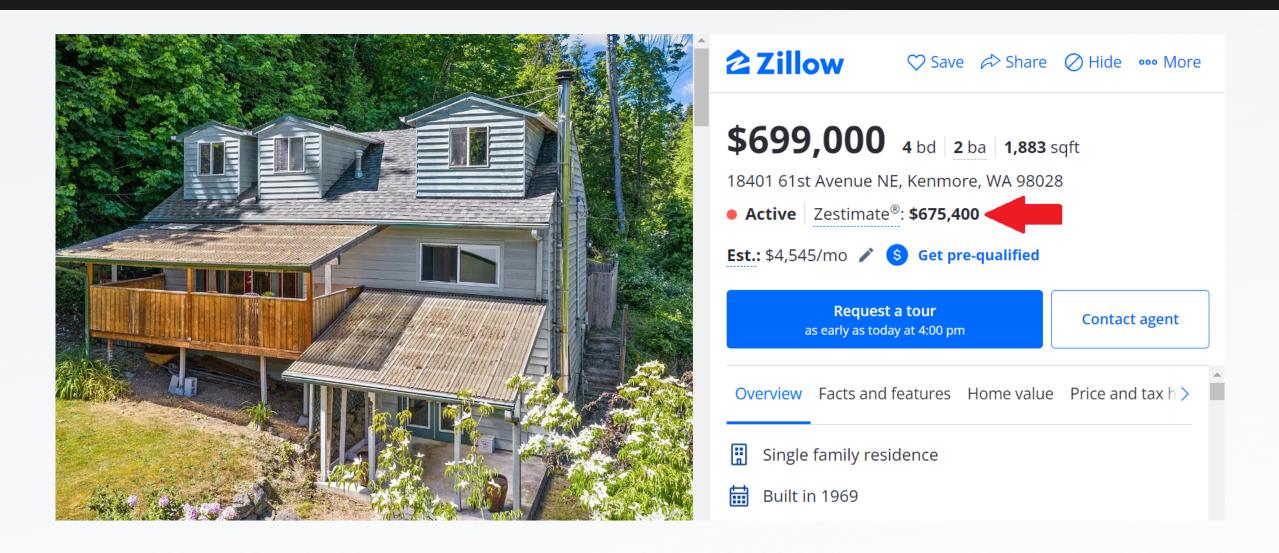
#### **Large Language Models**

Specific type of deep learning Example: ChatGPT

### **How Machine Learning "Works"**



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## **Other Examples**

- Recommendation Engines
  - Netflix
  - Spotify
  - Amazon
- E-Mail Spam Filters
- Predictive text
- Fraud detection



## **Training Models**

- Netflix's Recommendation Engines
  - User Data / Viewing Data
    - Past viewing data
    - Search data, scrolling data, location data, reviews etc.
      - If you love action movies then it's going to recommend more action movies.
      - If you're similar to another user then it will recommend what they like.



## Summary

Patterns in Data



# **Training LLMs**

#### • Initial Training:

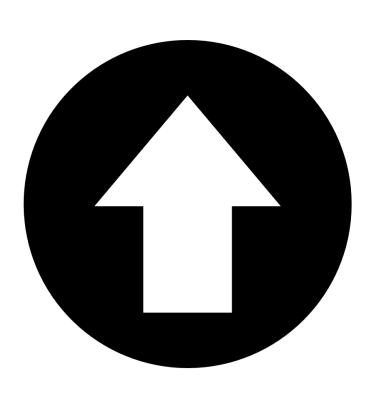
 Trained on vast amounts of text. This data can come from books, articles, websites, and other written material.

#### • Fine-tuning:

 Narrower datasets, can be curated for specific tasks (e.g., question-answering, translation, summarization) or to follow particular guidelines



## Strengths of ChatGPT



#### Quick Drafts:

 ChatGPT can quickly generate drafts or help structure your grant proposal based on the input provided.

#### Can Recall Information:

If provided with relevant data and background info, ChatGPT can help summarize
 or integrate that information into the proposal.

#### Language Knowledge:

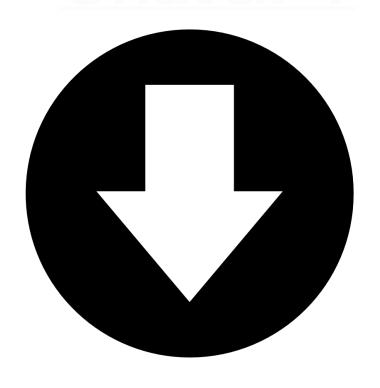
Can quickly create texts that are grammatically correct, have a coherent structure,
 and can adapt writing styles.

#### • Brainstorming:

 If you're stuck on a particular section or need ideas, ChatGPT can assist in brainstorming or suggesting content.

### Weaknesses of

### ChatCDT



#### Lack of Domain Expertise:

O Not designed specifically for grants. Its understanding is broad but not deep.

#### Lacks Personal Touch:

 Grant proposals often benefit from personal experiences, anecdotes, or a deep understanding of the community or project at hand. ChatGPT lacks personal experiences and emotions.

#### Inaccurate Information:

 ChatGPT may "make up" data or information that it needs to create a coherent text or answer a question. This data is often not accurate.

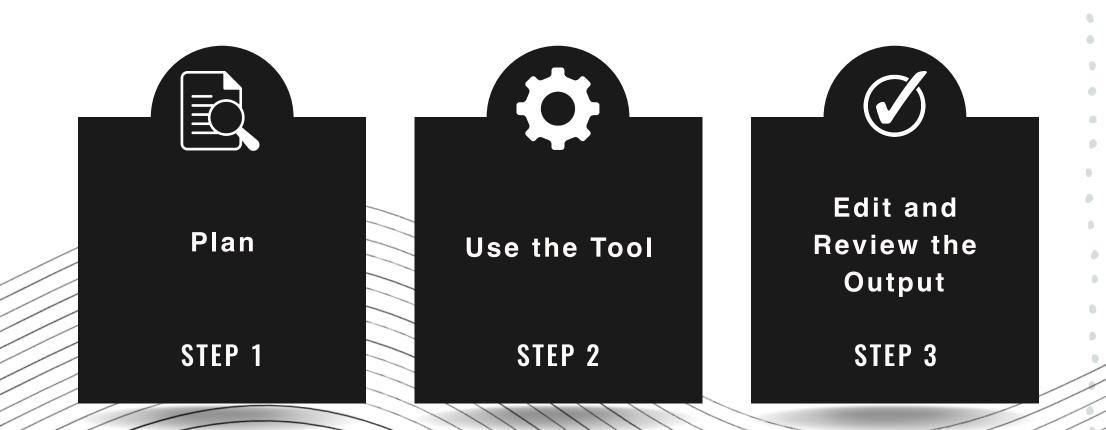
#### Over-Reliance:

 If users rely solely on ChatGPT without thoroughly reviewing and verifying its outputs, it will lead to mistakes and omissions.

### **How to Select the Right Tool?**

- Many Tools Beyond ChatGPT
  - Think About Your Goal
    - Al can be great at specific tasks
- Explore other tools
  - https://theresanaiforthat.com/
- Grantable
  - Specific Tool for Grantwriting
  - FREE webinar <u>Achieve Grant Writing Synergy with</u>
    <u>Grantable's Al Assistant</u>
    - October 25, 2023 2pm EDT

# How to Engage with Al



### **Other Use Cases:**

- Word Count
  - Rewrite the following text. Summarize the main points in 150 words
    - Check for accuracy
- Grants Research
  - Information is not current
- Suggest Data Sets (not actual data)
  - o I'm writing a grant that will provide transitional housing for individuals experiencing homelessness in Seattle. Can you suggest relevant datasets to show the need for my project?
- Proofreading
  - o Grammar, redundant information, clarity, style

### **How to Use the Time Saved?**

- Better research and planning
- Finding additional funding opportunities
- Increasing partnerships
- Mental health rest and relaxation?Yes, please!



### **Ethical Considerations**

- Bias
- Plagiarism
- Job Security/Skills Erosion
- Concerns from Funders
- Accuracy
- Data Privacy



# Questions?



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