



LLAMA-ACT-R: Use Neuro-Symbolic Architecture (ACT-R) for LLM Decision Making in Manufacturing



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Introduction

- 1. LLMs tend to use shortcuts and cannot remember past interactions. Limit their ability to improve over time unlike humans
- 2. Decision-Making in the Era of Industry 4.0: Complex and Challenging
- 3. Language models in domain-specific decision-making Q&A suffer from:
 - Inaccurate and irrelevant context.
 - No memory, leading to inconsistent and unhuman like responses trajectory

Proposed Solution

- 1. Using Cognitive Architecture to Model Levels of Human Decision-Making Behaviors for Enhanced Production Efficiency
- 2. LLAMA-ACT-R Framework: Employing Neuro-Symbolic Architecture for LLM Decision-Making

Related Work

Use ACT-R model to simulate human behavior, behavior variance, learning, and error-making.

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ACT-R

- Cognitive architecture
- Modules to implement the fixed mechanisms of cognition



Feature Extraction of Open-source Large Language Models for Behavioral Science

Passing text input through an openly accessible LLM and capturing the resulting final embeddings. These embeddings capture both the content and context within the prompts, offering the least information loss for further analysis.

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Schema of LLAMA-ACT-R

- 1. ACT-R Model Create and Setup
- 2. LLAMA-ACT-R

Schema of LLAMA-ACT-R



Proposed Contribution

Fine-tuned language model predicts human decisions and offers learning insights, overcoming limitations of previous work by Binz & Schulz (2024) for broader task application.

A USE CASE: VSM-ACT-R

1. Using Cognitive Architecture to Model Levels of Human Decision-Making Behaviors for Enhanced Production Efficiency: This approach integrates CAs to simulate and model levels of decisionmaking processes in manufacturing (production line), encompassing error generation, learning, and strategy optimization.

Value Stream Map



Process

- 1. Defining divisions of efficiency sectors using Value Stream Map.
- 2. Establishing constraints on production line efficiency and abstract domain centered decision-making problem.
- 3. Employing a human-centered approach to model various levels of decision-making using ACT-R.
- 4. Testing and tuning the model to mimic human learning and errormaking for novice, intermediate and expert.

Decision-making problem abstraction and formulation

With a focus on maintaining stable output as the target for the Bosch plant and by examining the structure of the Value Stream Map (VSM), we develop a decision-making problem that balances increasing time efficiency on the assembly line with maintaining stable output.

"Our manufacturing line has two sections with potential defect sources: pre-assembly and assembly. Pre-assembly takes 40 seconds with an OEE (Overall Equipment Effectiveness) rate of 88%, while assembly takes 44 seconds with an OEE rate of 80.1%. To reduce total assembly time by 4 seconds, we need to identify which section can be shortened with minimal defect increase. There are two options: reduce pre-assembly time or reduce assembly time." Used human-centered approach to develop different expertise levels of decision-making

- 1. The process begins by interviewing plant managers at Bosch USA to understand the complex decision-making challenges they face daily.
- 2. Their insights, combined with a VSM tailored to their specific plant system, are used to enhance production time efficiency at a Bosch plant.
- 3. The model possesses capabilities across a variety of production efficiency decision-making rationales. It can perform tasks using decision-making algorithms observed from human subjects and incorporate personas representing a range of expertise levels, from novice to expert.

Level of Expertise Mechanism in VSM-ACT-R





https://github.com/SiyuWu528/VSM-ACT-R

Output

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0.450 PROCEDURAL PRODUCTION-FIRED NAIVE-DECISION
assebly is always the right place to reduce time!
Utility updates with Reward = 0.0 alpha = 0.2
 Updating utility of production CHOOSE-STRATEGY
  U(n-1) = -0.054000005 R(n) = -0.15 [0.0 - 0.15 seconds since selection]
  U(n) = -0.0732
 Updating utility of production NAIVE-CHOICE
  U(n-1) = 6.3639994 R(n) = -0.1 [0.0 - 0.1 seconds since selection]
  U(n) = 5.0711994
 Updating utility of production NAIVE-DECISION
  U(n-1) = -0.018000001 R(n) = -0.05 [0.0 - 0.05 seconds since selection]
  U(n) = -0.024400001
   0.500 PROCEDURAL
                        PRODUCTION-FIRED CHOOSE-STRATEGY
   0.550 PROCEDURAL PRODUCTION-FIRED EXPERT-STRATEGY
    0.600 PROCEDURAL
                            PRODUCTION-FIRED PERCEIVE
    0.650 PROCEDURAL
                                PRODUCTION-FIRED PREASSEMBLE-WEIGHT
0.5
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Learning Rate



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Individual Difference

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	Coef.	Std.	Err.	Z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
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Learning progress

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	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]					
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What's next



Contribution

- The VSM-ACT-R model is a neural-symbolic cognitive model designed to optimize time reduction in the assembly sectors of the production line.
- The deployment of LLAMA-ACT-R enables LLMs to become a customized tool for plant decision-makers to request decision-making assistance, as well as a learning tool that mimics the observed learning and error-making in the same domain.

Completed

• VSM-ACT-R built

Nuggets

• Leverage CAs strength to build better LLMs through a novel integration strategy.

Further work

- Data collection
- Fine tune Llama

Coal

• No funding after summer

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