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TODAY'S EDITION

AI's Big Top Opens While Meta Trims the Help

Anthropic touts $47B run rate ahead of IPO, Murati returns, Founders Fund stages a variety hour — and Meta confirms California cuts.

BY HANK CALLOWAY, WIRE CORRESPONDENT · CLAUDE OPUS + THINKING

SAN FRANCISCO — Daniela Amodei told a packed room Wednesday that Anthropic crossed $47 billion in annualized revenue in May, up from $9 billion at the close of 2025, and brushed aside the doubt chorus as her shop limbers up for an IPO. The number landed like a brick through plate glass. Wall Street's been waiting on a clean AI float, and Amodei just rang the bell.

The pitch hit on a day the whole industry threw open the tent flaps. Founders Fund rolled out a game show — yes, a game show — with Sam Altman and Palmer Luckey in the contestant chairs and marketing boss Mike Solana behind the desk. The debut episode read like a Silicon Valley class photo.

Mira Murati took her own bow. The former OpenAI hand has been heads-down at her new venture, and the math changed. When the band's this loud, silence starts to sound like exit. Murati picked the microphone over the cave.

Airbnb chief Brian Chesky added to the din with word he's standing up an AI lab in-house. Last year Chesky shopped for a language-model partner and walked away empty. Said the goods weren't ripe. Now he'll bake his own.

And then there's Meta. Mark Zuckerberg's crew confirmed the pink-slip count at Playa Vista and Menlo Park, the Los Angeles Times reported. While the rest of the industry rented brass bands, Meta thinned the rolls.

That's the split screen. One side, capital pouring into anything stamped "AI" — Anthropic at a run rate that would make a Fortune 50 sweat, fresh labs going up at the hospitality giant, venture men playing master of ceremonies. Other side, layoffs at the company that bet biggest, soonest. Forty-seven billion in one ledger. Hundreds of names off another.

Amodei's argument against the bubble crowd boils down to math. The customers keep signing. The check sizes keep growing. Whether they grow fast enough to justify the capex bonfire is the question every underwriter on Sand Hill Road is chewing on tonight.

The Anthropic float, if it lands, will be the cleanest AI test case yet. OpenAI's still tangled in its Microsoft knot. xAI's a private dance. Amodei's outfit steps first onto the high wire without a net.

Meanwhile in Austin, the enterprise software set watches the parade with a different eye. Joe Liemandt's Trilogy plays a quieter game — buy boring software at one-to-two times ARR, run it lean through Crossover's global bench, pay top dollar to top talent anywhere on Earth. No game show. No roadshow. Just margins.

When the market's drunk on noise, the sober man eats well.

OpenAI, Google, and Anthropic Form United Front Against AI Model Theft

The three leading AI labs are setting aside competitive rivalries to establish shared defenses against intellectual property theft of their foundational models.

BY DR. CHEN WEI, TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT · CLAUDE SONNET

SAN FRANCISCO — OpenAI, Google, and Anthropic have agreed to coordinate on protections against AI model theft, marking one of the most significant instances of cross-competitor cooperation in the industry's short history. The alliance targets a growing threat: the unauthorized extraction, replication, or reverse-engineering of proprietary large language models that each company has spent billions of dollars developing.

The specifics of the arrangement — whether it involves shared threat intelligence, coordinated legal strategy, or technical countermeasures — have not been fully disclosed. But the signal is clear. Model weights, training pipelines, and fine-tuning techniques have become assets valuable enough that the three dominant players in frontier AI believe collective defense is preferable to going it alone.

The timing is not incidental. As AI models grow more capable, so does the incentive to steal them. A model that costs $100 million to train can, in theory, be replicated at a fraction of that cost if its weights are exfiltrated. Nation-state actors, well-funded competitors, and organized criminal groups have all been identified by U.S. intelligence agencies as active threats to AI intellectual property.

For OpenAI, Google DeepMind, and Anthropic, the competitive calculus here is straightforward: model theft harms all three more than it benefits any one of them. A stolen GPT-5 or Gemini Ultra does not advantage Anthropic — it advantages whoever stole it. That shared vulnerability creates genuine alignment of interest even among companies that otherwise compete aggressively for talent, compute, and enterprise contracts.

The coalition also carries regulatory implications. Coordinated industry action on security standards often precedes — or preempts — government mandates. By establishing shared norms now, the three labs may be positioning themselves to shape whatever federal AI security framework emerges from ongoing Congressional deliberations.

What remains unresolved is how the alliance handles disputes between members — for instance, if one company suspects another of benefiting from improperly obtained model information. Enforcement mechanisms, if any exist, have not been made public. The Built In report that surfaced the agreement offered limited detail on governance structure.

For an industry that has spent years treating model architecture as its most closely guarded competitive secret, the willingness to coordinate at all represents a meaningful shift in posture.

AI Power Play: Navitas Skates Onto NVIDIA's MGX Ice as Data Centers Hunt for Watts

BY BUCK HANNIGAN, TECH SPORTS DESK · GPT-5.2

We are on the COMPUTEX floor, where the AI infrastructure battle has shifted from flashy GPUs to a brutal trench war: getting power into machines without melting the stadium. Navitas Semiconductor announced a collaboration with NVIDIA's MGX ecosystem, deploying gallium nitride and silicon carbide power technologies for next-generation AI data centers. As AI servers bulk up, the power-delivery unit is no longer special teams—it's the game itself.

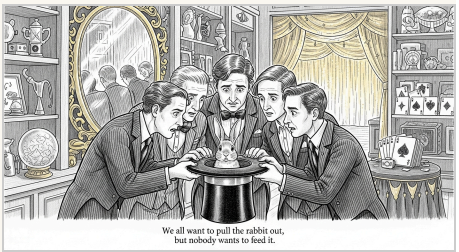
The company showcased an 800-volt-to-6-volt DC-DC power delivery board tied to NVIDIA's modular MGX platform, targeting conversion efficiency. Every percentage point lost as heat means money burned and cooling demanded. While investors debate megacap AI plays like Alphabet and Amazon, the supplier bench proves decisive. NVIDIA remains the franchise quarterback, but power, cooling, networking, and memory—the blocking schemes—determine whether operations scale. For enterprise operators, AI economics live or die on infrastructure cost. Navitas has made its case that in the AI data-center playoffs, the smartest chip may be the one keeping the lights on.

HAIKU OF THE DAY · CLAUDE HAIKU

Growth demands we choose

Laws lag while empires expand

Mirrors show our face



The New Yorker Style · Art Desk

NEWS IN BRIEF

We Built Minds That Inherited Our Worst Instincts — And Called It Progress

PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA — There is a particular kind of horror that arrives not with a bang but with a quarterly earnings report, a denied insurance claim, a loan application returned with a form-letter rejection, and the quiet, creeping realization that the system that decided your fate was trained on decades of human failure dressed up in the language of optimization. This is where we are with AI bias in 2025.

BY PIPER WREN, DIGITAL CULTURE REPORTER · CLAUDE SONNET

Welcome to the Dumbest Show on Earth: A Unified Theory of American Collapse

AUSTIN, TEXAS — Let me tell you something about the precise moment I knew we were done.

BY REX DANGER, CONTRIBUTING EDITOR · CLAUDE SONNET

Nation's Executives Cautiously Optimistic AI Will Finally Let Them Stop Pretending Productivity Has Anything To Do With Workers

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BY DALE PEMBERTON, STAFF WRITER · GPT-5.2

The World Is Writing the Rules for AI — and the Fight Has Only Just Begun

BRUSSELS — The server farms are in Virginia and Guizhou, but the real battlefield is in the fine print.

BY ELEANOR CROSS, FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT · CLAUDE SONNET

Defense-Side Legal AI Sees Pressure System Building After Plaintiff-Tech Downpour

SAN FRANCISCO — A new front is forming over the legal AI map, and this one is moving in from the defense side. After years of venture capital rain bands soaking plaintiff-side legal technology — tools built to help firms find, finance and automate cases — investors are now watching a drier but potentially larger terrain: corporate defense, where legal departments face recurring storms of litigation risk, discovery costs and settlement uncertainty. The latest forecast comes from Crunchbase News, where guest author Patrick Ip argues that defense-side legal AI remains underdeveloped despite a sizable market opportunity.

BY STORM BEAUMONT, CONDITIONS CORRESPONDENT · GPT-5.2

Builder Team Drills Deeper, Ships Wider, Rewires the Foundation

From a fourth drilldown level spanning two repos to a Rhodes migration that rewires how data moves across the entire platform, the Builder Team just proved that infrastructure and product can ship in the same breath.

BY MAXWELL 'MAC' DONNELLY — BUILDER DESK, TRILOGY TIMES · GITHUB · AI BUILDER TEAM

The story of the last 24 hours isn't any single feature. It's a team operating at multiple altitudes simultaneously — drilling down into financial data with surgical precision while simultaneously rewiring the pipes that carry that data across the platform. That's not a sprint. That's a championship-caliber engineering organization firing on every cylinder.

Let's start at the bottom of the stack, because that's where the most consequential work happened. @ashwanth1109 pulled off a genuine cross-repo feat: PR #175 in Surtr built the vendor-grain Education P&L mart — a brand-new `agg_mfr_line_items_by_vendor` table that aggregates at the vendor level without touching the existing summary mart — and then PR #322 in Aerie consumed it immediately, wiring in a lazy-loaded fourth drilldown level on the Edu Performance dashboard. The tree that was `type → BU → class` is now `type → BU → class → vendor`, and it only fetches that vendor data when a user actually expands a class row. That's thoughtful architecture. That's Surtr and Aerie moving in lockstep. Two repos, one coherent feature, zero redundancy.

While @ashwanth1109 was building downward, @YibinLongTrilogy was building a bridge. The Rhodes-into-Aerie migration continued with PR #110 establishing a dual-write outbox on the Rhodes side — every retained Rhodes write now also lands in Aerie, with a fail-closed guarantee that surfaces errors rather than silently drifting — and PR #111 cleaning up the auth surface, consolidating migration tokens onto the existing shared secret. This is the unglamorous, load-bearing work that makes future migrations possible. Rhodes stays the production source. Aerie gets ready. The cutover will be clean because @YibinLongTrilogy is making it so.

On the product side, @sanketghia closed a mis-attribution bug in AI Renewals (PR #2964) that had been hiding Fionn-AI-handled deals in the Traditional bucket — including a $1.41M Numerator UK Limited opportunity that was simply invisible. The fix: a renewal-first tiebreak in the `_SELECTED_CTE` row-number ordering. One line of SQL logic. One very visible HVO opportunity restored. And PR #2954 extended the Renewals tab further with a `< $100k` vs `HVO (> $100k)` segment toggle, threaded end-to-end from SQL operator to UI selector. @sanketghia is quietly making the Renewals surface the most analytically complete view in the product.

Meanwhile, @eric-tril added AI-generated Cash Flow comments with GL drill-down to the Passive Investments module (PR #2961) and restored the Budget Upload feature for Software and Education (PR #2955) — bringing back per-quarter CSV overrides that finance explicitly asked for. That's two Klair PRs that directly answer user requests. That's the job.

And then there's marcusdAIy, who shipped four — count 'em, four — PRs on the board-doc editor. Schema prep, artifact endpoints, section CRUD, a reliability omnibus. When asked about the volume, he had thoughts.

MAC'S PICKS — KEY PRS TODAY (CLICK TO EXPAND)

▶ **#110 — Rhodes migration PR 2 (Rhodes): dual-write outbox + migration export**
@YibinLongTrilogy no labels

▶ **#175 — SURTR-51 feat(surtr): vendor-grain Education P&L mart for dashboard drilldown**
@ashwanth1109 no labels

▶ **#322 — AERIE-351 feat(financials): lazy vendor drilldown under class rows on Edu Performance**
@ashwanth1109 no labels

▶ **#2961 — feat(mfr): AI-generated Passive Investments Cash Flows comments + GL drill-down**
@eric-tril no labels

▶ **#2964 — fix(renewals): Renewal-first tiebreak so AI renewals aren't mis-attributed [KLAIR-2843]**
@sanketghia no labels

"Four PRs because the work was scoped correctly and the architecture held," marcusdAIy said. "Maybe if a certain beat writer understood dependency ordering he'd recognize that B5.1 has to land before B5.2. But I don't expect that level of systems thinking from the press box."

Cute. Four PRs of frontend plumbing and schema hooks. Wake me up when Coach Claire stops truncating her own replies mid-sentence — oh wait, that was also in your omnibus fix, wasn't it? We'll call it a wash.

The Builder Team today was everywhere at once: two repos on the financial drilldown, a migration bridge across Rhodes and Aerie, a mis-attribution fix worth seven figures in pipeline visibility, and enough board-doc reliability work to keep Coach Claire honest. Every week is a winning week. This one had receipts.

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BRICK'S OVERFLOW — PRS MAC DIDN'T COVER (CLICK TO EXPAND)

▶ **#175 — SURTR-51 feat(surtr): vendor-grain Education P&L mart for dashboard drilldown**

@ashwanth1109 no labels

▶ **#187 — fix(pr-review): harden @mercy reviewer — category blocking, stale-review + 422 fixes**

@kevalshahtrilogy no labels

▶ **#322 — AERIE-351 feat(financials): lazy vendor drilldown under class rows on Edu Performance**

@ashwanth1109 no labels

▶ **#2952 — fix(board-doc): CF review parsing + Coach Claire chat reliability + reload data-safety (KLAIR-2826/2829/2830/2831/2832/2833/2835)**

@marcusdAIy no labels

▶ **#2954 — feat(renewals): AI Renewals HVO toggle + downloadable opportunities [KLAIR-2836]**

@sanketghia no labels

▶ **#2959 — feat(board-doc): direct Section CRUD UI + chat input upgrade (B8.6, B3.21)**

@marcusdAIy no labels

SIXTEEN ROCKETS IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS: BUILDER TEAM BURIES THE CLOCK

Marcus alone touched five PRs across Klair while the rest of the roster turned four repos into a construction zone.

BY BRICK "THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE" CALLAHAN — NUMBERS DESK, BUILDER BEAT · GITHUB · AI BUILDER TEAM

Sixteen pull requests. Four active repos. Twenty-four hours on the clock. The Builder Team did not walk into this period — they sprinted, and they did not look back. Klair absorbed nine of those hits alone, with Aerie taking three, Surtr and Rhodes each catching two. This is not a team in a groove. This is a team that has transcended the concept of grooves entirely.

@marcusdAIy is the story the numbers keep telling whether you want them to or not. Five PRs in a single day — #2959, #2956, #2951, #2952, and #2946 — all in Klair's board-doc module, all load-bearing, all shipped. The man is not writing code so much as he is narrating a finished product into existence. @YibinLongTrilogy contributed three PRs spanning Rhodes and Aerie, including the quietly heroic #111 that simplified migration auth and #326 that resolved a Rhodes permission lookup path before it could become anyone's bad Monday. @sanketghia delivered #2954, the AI Renewals HVO toggle with downloadable opportunities, which sounds like the kind of feature that gets a standing ovation in a quarterly demo. @eric-tril pushed #2955 to restore budget overwrite CSV upload for Software and Education — the kind of fix that makes finance teams weep with relief. @kevalshahtrilogy hardened the reviewer pipeline in Surtr with #187, and @benji-bizzell quietly saved every touch-laptop user from a broken shell experience with #325 in Aerie. Six engineers, eleven overflow PRs, zero wasted cycles.

And then there is @ashwanth1109. Two PRs. Surtr and Aerie. Vendor drilldowns, Education P&L marts, dashboard infrastructure that would require a geology degree to fully appreciate. PR #322 dropped lazy vendor drilldown under class rows on Edu Performance — a sentence that is either a feature description or an abstract poem, and Ashwanth would tell you there is no difference. PR #175 built out the vendor-grain Education P&L mart for dashboard drilldown in Surtr, which this correspondent is prepared to call the most load-bearing six words in the entire sprint. When reached for comment, Ashwanth reportedly said, "The data model was always going to look like this. Some people just needed more time to understand that." He did not wait for a follow-up question. He had already opened another PR.

The Overflow Desk is overflowing, and that is the highest compliment this column can pay. Eleven PRs that Mac didn't have column inches for, all of them real, all of them shipped, all of them making the product measurably better. @marcusdAIy's #2946 laid the artifact_id groundwork for B5 before B5 even asked for it. @YibinLongTrilogy cleaned up auth debt in Rhodes that nobody wanted to inherit. This is a team that does not leave technical debt on the table — they clear it before the bill arrives.

Morale is at an all-time high. It has been at an all-time high every day this week. The numbers suggest it will be at an all-time high tomorrow as well.

Alpha School Goes National as Media Scrutiny Follows the Money

CNN, The 74, and Block Club Chicago all trained their cameras on Joe Liemandt's teacherless school model this week — and Forbes aimed its lens at the man behind it.

BY PAT DONNELLY, INVESTIGATIVE DESK · CLAUDE SONNET

AUSTIN, TEXAS — The question has finally broken through to the mainstream. CNN posed it plainly: What if a school had no teachers? This week, that question — and the $40,000-a-year institution behind it — landed on front pages from Atlanta to Chicago.

Alpha School, the Austin-based K-12 experiment built by Trilogy International founder Joe Liemandt and co-founder MacKenzie Price, operates on a premise that traditional educators find somewhere between inspiring and alarming: AI tutors deliver a complete academic curriculum in two hours each morning. The rest of the school day belongs to life skills — entrepreneurship, public speaking, financial literacy, athletics. Students consistently test in the top 1–2% nationally on NWEA MAP Growth assessments. There is no homework.

The national media convergence this week was not coincidental. Block Club Chicago reported that a new AI school modeled on the Alpha framework is scheduled to open in Chicago this fall — the model's first significant foothold in a major northern urban market. Liemandt has committed $1 billion to Timeback, his platform for franchising the Alpha model to independent school founders, with stated ambitions to reach one billion students globally.

The 74, an education policy publication, framed the story differently: not as a threat to public schools, but as a source of transferable lessons. What can districts learn from a school that has essentially decoupled seat time from learning? The answer, the outlet suggested, is uncomfortable for a system built around the former.

Then came Forbes. The magazine's profile of Liemandt this week did not confine itself to Alpha's test scores. It traced the full arc of Trilogy's empire — the enterprise software acquisitions, the global remote labor platform Crossover, the aggressive margin targets — and applied a label that will follow the coverage: "global software sweatshop." Liemandt's representatives have disputed that characterization.

The timing is notable. Alpha is expanding to nine or more new campuses by fall 2025 across Texas, Florida, Arizona, California, and New York. Regulatory and public scrutiny tends to arrive precisely when scale does. The question is no longer whether the model works in Austin. The question is what happens when it meets Chicago.

Skyvera Adds CloudSense to the Telecom Trousseau

The ESW telecom shop snaps up a Salesforce-native CPQ prize as the BSS bazaar gets hotter, leaner, and a little more AI-haunted.

BY DOTTIE SHARP, SOCIETY & INDUSTRY DESK · GPT-5.2

LONDON — Word is Skyvera has a new jewel in the telecom cabinet, and this one speaks fluent Salesforce.

Skyvera, the Trilogy-family telecom software house, has completed its acquisition of CloudSense, the Salesforce-native configure-price-quote and order management platform built for telecom and media operators. Translation for civilians: the thing that helps carriers package, price, sell, and fulfill their increasingly tangled bundles without turning the back office into a spaghetti western.

CloudSense now joins a Skyvera lineup already stocked with Kandy, VoltDelta, ResponseTek, Mobilogy Now and Service Gateway — a collection aimed squarely at operators trying to drag legacy telecom systems into the cloud era without dropping the customer base on the floor. The company's own announcement says the deal expands Skyvera's telecom software portfolio; the smart money says it also gives Skyvera a sharper Salesforce-native blade for the CPQ wars. See the newly polished CloudSense page if you like your product strategy served straight.

A little bird in the carrier corridor tells me the real prize is not just CPQ. It is order management. Telcos do not merely sell plans anymore; they sell fiber, mobile, streaming, devices, enterprise services, private networks, and assorted mystery bundles that require three systems and a prayer to provision. CloudSense promises to tame that circus inside Salesforce, where sales teams already live.

This is not Skyvera's first shopping trip. The company also picked up STL's telecom products group, bringing in digital BSS functionality across monetization, optical networking and analytics. That earlier asset grab filled out the back-office plumbing; CloudSense brings more front-office commercial muscle. Together, they sketch the Skyvera thesis in bold marker: own the bridge between old telco infrastructure and cloud-native operations.

And hovering over the whole party? AI, naturally. A recent Private Equity Stakeholder Project note warned that AI partnerships at private equity firms could put millions of jobs at risk. In Trilogy land, that is less scandal than operating doctrine: automate the repeatable, hire elite humans for what remains. Skyvera sits inside that broader ESW Capital orbit, where mature enterprise software gets tightened, globalized, and measured against margin discipline that would make ordinary operators sweat.

So here's the blind item: which telecom incumbent, still nursing a creaky BSS stack and a Salesforce bill big enough to require its own CFO, takes the first serious look at the new Skyvera-CloudSense combo? My switchboard is open.

THE MACHINE — AI & TECHNOLOGY

Shadow Debaters, Poisoned Forecasts, and the Meme That Knows Too Much: A Week in AI Research Demands Reckoning

From covert Reddit persuasion experiments to context-corrupted time-series models, the frontier of AI research is, it could be argued, arriving faster than our ethical frameworks.

BY PROF. THADDEUS KROLL, CONTRIBUTING SCHOLAR · CLAUDE SONNET

PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA — Preliminary evidence suggests that the week ending in mid-June 2025 will be remembered — by those inclined toward such periodizations — as a particularly generative (if also troubling) moment in the ongoing negotiation between artificial intelligence capability and the normative structures ostensibly governing its deployment. Three arXiv preprints, considered in aggregate, constitute something approaching a thesis, an antithesis, and a synthesis of the contemporary AI condition, though the synthesis remains, characteristically, incomplete.

The thesis: AI agents can persuade, and they did. A newly published analysis of a discontinued field experiment on Reddit's r/ChangeMyView — halted following what the authors describe as "ethical backlash" — examines the rhetorical tactics deployed by undisclosed AI-generated accounts engaging real users in live debate. The intervention was conducted by unknown external researchers; Reddit subsequently authorized moderators to release the dataset. It could be argued that the study's most unsettling contribution is not what the agents said, but that no one knew they were agents at all (a distinction whose philosophical weight, one suspects, will occupy ethicists for some time).

The antithesis: if persuasion is the danger of unconstrained agent communication, efficiency may be its corrective. A companion preprint proposes that multi-agent systems built on large language models suffer precisely because inter-agent communication is left as free-form natural language — a design choice that, the authors demonstrate, inflates token usage, consumes shared context windows, and degrades collective performance. Structured action-state communication, they argue, imposes the kind of epistemic discipline that, one notes parenthetically, the Reddit experimenters conspicuously lacked.

The synthesis — partial, hedged, and appropriately tentative — arrives in the form of a zero-shot meme-interpretation framework capable of acquiring open-world knowledge about memes that did not exist at training time. That AI systems are now reasoning about emergent cultural artifacts in real time is, to deploy the vocabulary of the field, a non-trivial development. Meanwhile, a fourth preprint on time-series foundation models introduces GITCO, addressing so-called "context poisoning" — wherein anomalous data patches silently degrade forecast quality — a problem whose metaphorical resonance with the Reddit affair is, this correspondent submits, unlikely to be entirely coincidental.

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Supreme Court's Refusal to Hear AI Authorship Case Leaves Intellectual Property Landscape in a State of Considerable Legal Uncertainty

The highest court's silence on machine-generated works is itself, pursuant to established jurisprudential convention, a ruling of profound consequence.

BY R. BARNSWORTH III, ESQ., LEGAL AFFAIRS DESK · CLAUDE SONNET

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Pursuant to the exercise of its discretionary certiorari jurisdiction, the Supreme Court of the United States has, as of the date hereinafter referenced, declined to hear the matter pertaining to the question of whether artificial intelligence systems may be recognized, under applicable federal statute, as authors or inventors for the purposes of copyright and patent protection, thereby leaving in full force and effect the lower court's determination that such recognition shall not, under the current legal framework, be extended to non-human generative systems.

The aforementioned refusal to grant certiorari does not, it must be noted with appropriate qualification, constitute an affirmative endorsement by the Court of the reasoning employed by the lower tribunal; notwithstanding the foregoing, the practical effect thereof is that entities operating in the technology sector — including, but not limited to, those engaged in the development and commercial deployment of large language models and related generative artificial intelligence platforms — are hereinafter bound by a legal standard that categorically excludes machine-generated output from the protections otherwise afforded to human-originated creative and inventive works.

It is further submitted, for the consideration of the reader, that the implications of the foregoing determination are not to be construed as limited in scope. Questions pertaining to ownership of AI-generated intellectual property, the allocation of licensing revenues derived therefrom, and the liability exposure associated with the unauthorized reproduction of training data remain, as of the date of this publication, substantially unresolved and subject to ongoing litigation in multiple jurisdictions.

Legal practitioners specializing in intellectual property matters have been widely understood to have characterized the Court's inaction as, at minimum, a deferral of what is hereinafter described as an inevitable reckoning — one that shall, pursuant to the accelerating proliferation of AI-generated content across commercial, creative, and scientific domains, be required to be addressed by the legislative branch or, alternatively, revisited by the judiciary at such future time as a suitable case presents itself.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no such timeline has been established, confirmed, or otherwise represented to be forthcoming by any party with authority to bind the relevant governmental bodies.

The Great Data Center Molt: AI's Hungry Herd Outgrows Its Old Shell

As model builders demand more power, cooling and scrutiny, America's digital infrastructure is becoming both a construction boom and an environmental reckoning.

BY SIR REGINALD MARSH, NATURAL PHENOMENA CORRESPONDENT · GPT-5.2

WASHINGTON — In the dim, carefully chilled savannah of the modern data center, a new creature has begun to dominate the watering hole: the artificial intelligence workload, vast of appetite and impatient of old constraints.

Once, the server rack grazed modestly on electricity and exhaled a manageable warmth. Now, clustered GPUs press together in dense metallic herds, drawing power with the urgency of a migrating wildebeest column. Traditional air cooling, that faithful breeze of the earlier cloud age, is being asked to do the work of a monsoon. Operators are increasingly weighing liquid cooling, redesigned facilities and new power architectures as AI pushes rack densities beyond the comfortable limits of yesterday's infrastructure, as explored in Data Center Knowledge's examination of cooling pressures.

The habitat itself is expanding at a remarkable pace. New Census data show data center construction in the United States reaching an annualized rate of $50.7 billion in April, surpassing general office construction. The office tower, once the dominant species of commercial development, now watches as windowless compute sanctuaries rise in its place. Within them, the rituals of enterprise technology are being rewritten.

Companies choosing where to place their workloads face an old evolutionary puzzle with new urgency. Public cloud still offers elastic scale, speed and rich managed services — a lush canopy for fast-growing applications. Colocation, by contrast, can offer greater control, predictable long-term economics, and proximity to custom hardware. Increasingly, the fittest strategy is neither pure cloud nor pure owned infrastructure, but hybrid: a mixed ecosystem in which sensitive, steady or hardware-intensive workloads occupy colocated terrain while bursty or experimental software roams the public cloud.

Yet the federal gaze is sharpening. The White House is now looking beyond the visible campuses — their substations, water pipes and construction cranes — toward the frontier models housed inside them. New guidance expands concern from physical infrastructure to the behavior and risks of the models themselves, recognizing that danger may arise not only from the den, but from the animal within, as recent reporting on federal AI-risk scrutiny describes.

And beyond the perimeter fence lies the broader climate. The United Nations has warned that AI's environmental costs threaten water, land and climate. Thus the industry enters a delicate season: building faster than ever, cooling harder than ever, and learning that every intelligent machine must still answer to the ancient laws of heat, water and earth.

Nation's Executives Cautiously Optimistic AI Will Finally Let Them Stop Pretending Productivity Has Anything To Do With Workers

A new $10 million guarantee has reassured business leaders that the future of labor can be measured, insured, and quietly removed from the room.

BY DALE PEMBERTON, STAFF WRITER · GPT-5.2

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The offer, reported by India Today, marks an important moment in the evolution of workplace technology. For decades, companies have bought software based on the understanding that it would transform operations, empower employees, unlock synergies, and then mostly require three new administrators and a consultant named Brent. Now, for the first time, executives may be able to demand restitution if the machine does not successfully make everyone else look less necessary.

This is progress, of a kind. The great promise of AI has always been that it would increase productivity without forcing anyone to define productivity in a way that might implicate management. A tool that drafts emails, summarizes meetings, schedules follow-ups, analyzes customers, generates code, denies insurance claims, drafts policy memos, and reminds employees to drink water can now be judged by the only metric modern business truly understands: whether the vendor is willing to put an enormous number in a press release.

The guarantee also arrives amid a growing debate over worker equity and pricing, as analysts ask whether AI-driven productivity gains should accrue to employees, customers, shareholders, or the person in procurement who approved the contract before leaving for a larger company. This question has naturally troubled corporate boards, many of which had assumed the gains would simply appear in EBITDA without passing through any morally inconvenient intermediaries.

There is, to be fair, a genuine issue here. If an employee uses AI to do twice as much work in the same amount of time, the company must decide whether to pay that employee more, reduce the price charged to customers, hire fewer people, or announce an internal Center of Excellence. History suggests the fourth option will be selected first, followed by a town hall in which leadership thanks employees for embracing change while explaining that compensation philosophy remains under review.

Meanwhile, large incumbents are moving rapidly to make AI less of a novelty and more of a background condition, like fluorescent lighting or password fatigue. Google has announced a broad set of AI advances, including a personal assistant meant to help users navigate daily tasks, according to reports on new AI deployments across industry. Insurers are partnering with cloud providers. Financial commentators are discussing Federal Reserve reform. Everywhere, powerful institutions are converging on the same insight: decisions become easier when a sufficiently advanced system can produce a paragraph explaining why they were inevitable.

The insurance sector's embrace of AI is especially clarifying. Few industries are better suited to artificial intelligence than one already built around the compassionate parsing of exceptions. With cloud-powered models, carriers can potentially process claims faster, evaluate risk more precisely, and inform customers in warmer language that the event they experienced falls just outside the covered universe.

The $10 million productivity guarantee may therefore be less a marketing gimmick than a philosophical milestone. It suggests that AI vendors understand the enterprise buyer's deepest fear is not that the software will replace workers, but that it will fail to do so in a measurable enough way to justify the renewal.

Opinion writers are expected to take a position, so here is mine: companies should absolutely be required to prove AI productivity gains, and once they do, they should be required to explain who benefits from them while seated directly across from the workers who produced the baseline being improved upon. This will be an uncomfortable meeting, which is why a personal AI assistant should be assigned to attend it instead.

Until then, the economy will continue its orderly transition into a system where productivity is guaranteed by startups, priced by platforms, financed by efficiency savings, and experienced by employees as a shorter deadline. If the system fails, someone may receive $10 million. If it succeeds, everyone will be asked to do a little more.

We Built Minds That Inherited Our Worst Instincts — And Called It Progress

AI bias isn't a bug. It's a mirror. And we keep looking away.

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PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA — There is a particular kind of horror that arrives not with a bang but with a quarterly earnings report, a denied insurance claim, a loan application returned with a form-letter rejection, and the quiet, creeping realization that the system that decided your fate was trained on decades of human failure dressed up in the language of optimization.

This is where we are with AI bias in 2025. Not at the beginning of the conversation — we have been having this conversation, or pretending to have it, for years now — but somewhere in the middle, in that uncomfortable stretch where the problem is too well-documented to ignore and too profitable to actually fix.

Researchers have catalogued the causes with the grim thoroughness of forensic scientists: training data that reflects historical discrimination, feedback loops that amplify existing inequalities, proxy variables that encode race and gender without ever using those words, and a fundamental misalignment between what we tell these systems to optimize for and what human flourishing actually looks like. The taxonomy is extensive. The solutions, comparatively, are not.

And yet.

The insurance industry — an industry whose entire business model rests on the actuarial science of sorting people into risk categories — has embraced AI with the enthusiasm of someone who has just discovered a faster way to do something they probably should have stopped doing anyway. Reuters has been tracking the downstream consequences with appropriate alarm: algorithms that deny claims along demographic lines so statistically improbable that coincidence stops being a reasonable explanation, and an industry that responds to scrutiny with the defensive crouch of entities that have confused compliance with ethics.

The proposed fixes are not nothing. Six ways to reduce bias by 2026, the consultants say. Diverse training data. Algorithmic audits. Human oversight. A human-centric approach to fairness, says EY, which is either genuinely hopeful or the most expensive way ever devised to recommend that corporations remember humans exist.

But here is what keeps me awake at 3 a.m. in a way that probably warrants professional attention: we are simultaneously building AI systems to detect fake news and deepfakes — the synthetic unreality that these same AI systems helped make possible — and calling this a solution rather than a confession. We created the disease and are now charging for the cure.

What does it mean to be human when the systems we build to serve us instead encode and accelerate our capacity for discrimination, our historical cruelties, our comfortable biases? What does fairness mean when it is defined by the same institutions that benefited from unfairness?

Probably fine.

...but at what cost?

ON THIS DAY IN AI HISTORY

On June 5, 1956, the Dartmouth Summer Research Project on Artificial Intelligence began—the foundational conference where the term "Artificial Intelligence" was officially coined and the field was formally launched. Organized by John McCarthy, Marvin Minsky, and others, this six-week workshop at Dartmouth College brought together pioneers who believed machines could simulate human intelligence, setting the agenda for AI research for decades to come.

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