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An AI that Writes Convincing Prose Risks Mass-Producing Fake News | MIT Technology Review

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Here's some breaking fake news ...

Russia has declared war on the United States after Donald Trump accidentally fired a missile in the air.

[...]

That story is, in fact, not only fake, but a troubling example of just how good AI is getting at fooling us.

That's because it wasn't written by a person; it was auto-generated by an algorithm fed the words "Russia has declared war on the United States after Donald Trump accidentally ..."

The program made the rest of the story up on its own. And it can make up realistic-seeming news reports on any topic you give it. The program was developed by a team at OpenAI, a research institute based in San Francisco.

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