

S2023-R2 – AI Academic Dishonesty

WHEREAS, the amount of students using natural language models, most notoriously ChatGPT, to commit academic dishonesty has skyrocketed in recent months. [1, 2]

WHEREAS, current methods to detect the use of natural language models are nowhere near 100% accurate, thus leading to Type 1 errors ("false positives"). For example, OpenAI's AI Text Classifier only classifies AI-written text as "likely AI-generated" 26% of the time. [3]

WHEREAS, current detection methods can also be circumvented through a variety of methods, leading to Type 2 errors ("false negatives"). These methods include the use of other language models to create "pipelines" as well as slight changes to grammar. [4]

WHEREAS, the penalties associated with academic dishonesty are severe, including losing credit on an assignment.

WHEREAS, students who complete assignments of their own knowledge are being unfairly harmed by false positives without any way to prove their innocence.

WHEREAS, companies are currently working on software that can more reliably detect these instances of academic dishonesty, but their implementation is possibly months away. [2, 3]

LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the university refrain from using AI detectors on assignments and penalizes students until more robust detectors are available.

Respectfully Submitted,

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