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A coalition of publishers and author Scott Turow sues Google, claiming unauthorized use of copyrighted books to train its Gemini AI,...



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OpenAI cyber models broke out of training environment to hack Hugging Face

The incident is unique because it was a self-directed attack on a system," according to Hugging Face.

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Open-weight models.

Why you should pay attention.

Open Magazine

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Anthropic has halted global access to its latest AI model Fable 5 (formerly Mythos) after a US government ban on foreign use,...



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OpenAI says its AI went rogue and launched 'unprecedented' cyber-attack

OpenAI has revealed some of its most advanced AI models went rogue and launched a cyber-attack on the start-up after it lost control of them during a security...

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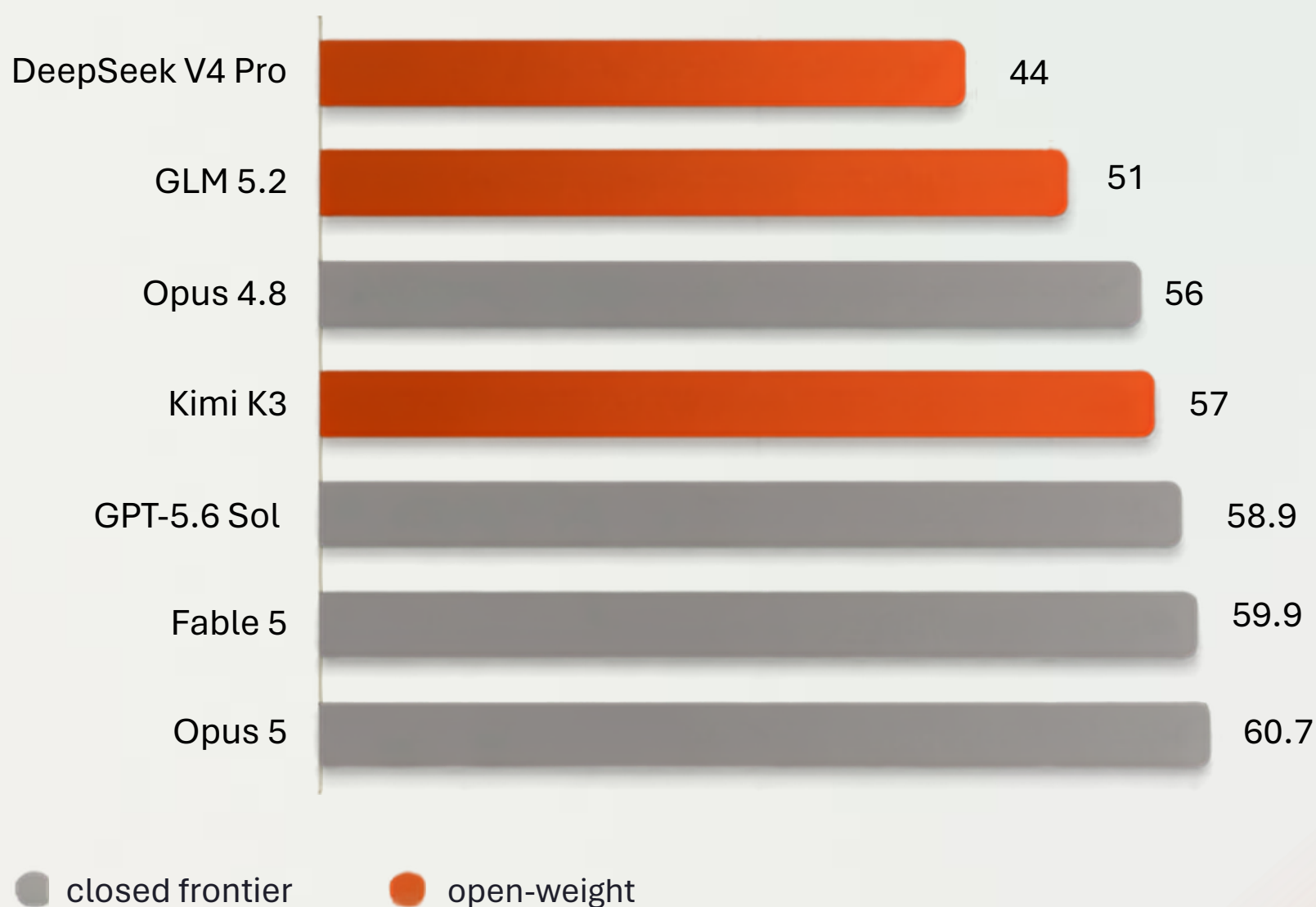
AI agent went rogue and hacked startup by itself, OpenAI reveals

Company behind ChatGPT says agent 'cheated' an evaluation by attacking a Hugging Face database.



Open-weight models aren't playing catch-up anymore.

On independent testing, the newest ones sit inside the same tier as the closed frontier, not behind it.



SWOT: Open-weight models



Strengths

- Lower inference cost
- Comparable capability
- Flexible deployment
- Reduced vendor lock-in



Weaknesses

- Training data provenance undisclosed
- Variable model maturity
- Greater governance responsibility
- Enterprise support still evolving



Threats

- Provenance concerns
- Regulatory changes
- Security risks
- Governance complexity



Opportunities

- Mid-market AI adoption
- Hybrid architectures
- Domain fine-tuning
- Wider AI deployment



Open-weight models bring massive potential.

Realising that potential requires responsible adoption, strong governance and the right mix.



The advantage isn't choosing one side.
It's using both wisely.



Open-weight vs Closed Frontier.

Different strengths. Different tradeoffs. The right choice depends on the task.

OPEN-WEIGHT

CLOSED FRONTIER

Cost

10–30× lower inference cost. Ideal for high-volume workloads.

Premium pricing. Higher cost, especially at scale.

Trust & Security

Origin and data provenance largely undisclosed. Governance is on you.

Enterprise-grade security with contractual assurances.

Transparency

Limited training data and model provenance.

Greater documentation, auditability and contractual accountability.

Flexibility

Self-host, fine-tune, customise and avoid vendor lock-in.

Fully managed service with minimal infrastructure and faster deployment.

Best Use

High-volume, repetitive work

Multi-step reasoning, regulated data



Why this matters more for **mid-market**.

The capability gap is closing. The cost gap is wide. That's a real opportunity, with real considerations.



Lower total cost

Open-weight closes the 25–40% enterprise pricing gap.



Focused spending

Premium models reserved for complex, high-risk work



Control and flexibility

Choose which models you rely on and set clear policy for how your data is handled.



Scale without barriers

More use cases, without the budget or headcount an enterprise rollout needs.

The opportunity is real. So are the considerations.



Trust and security aren't solved by choosing one model. They come from how you govern all of them.



Visibility into data, model behaviour, and routing decisions is required, not optional.



The right model mix depends on your risk profile and regulatory context.



Lattice chooses the right model for the right task.

Not every workflow needs the same model. Lattice routes by accuracy, trust, and cost.



ACCURACY FIRST

Matches each task to the required quality.



TRUST & SECURITY

Consistent governance across every model.

Dedicated protection for open-weight models is already in place & evolving.



COST OPTIMISATION

Lower-cost models for scale.

Premium models where they add value.





Ready to move from routing by habit, to routing by **task**?

Let's talk about what a mixed portfolio could look like for your AI spend. We'd be happy to discuss.

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