#### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

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## RECENT JUMP IN SUPPLY CHAIN PUBLICATIONS

- Massive influx in the past 15 years
  - Credited to Industry 4.0



## MAIN SEARCHES ABOUT SCM AI

#### • Supply Chain Network Design

- Determining the best location and size of facilities
- Nonlinear integer program and genetic algorithm (GA) for solving product return and freight consolidation problems

#### • Demand Planning

- Logistics, manufacturing, and sourcing activities
- Agent-based forecasting  $\rightarrow$  predict aggregate demand of products

#### Green Supply Chain Management

- Sustainability with rising environmental pressures
- Fuzzy multi-criteria decision-making model to find green suppliers



# TECHNOLOGY, ORGANIZATION, ENVIRONMENT (TOE)

Studies how AI will affect Technology, Organization, and Environment

- Technology
  - o Internal and External aspects and their advantages, compatibilities, and complexities
- Organization
  - o Resources such as firm size, management, leadership style, and HR quality
- Environment
  - Structure of industry, competition, regular environment, and development of economics

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  - Google's search algorithm
- Evolutionary algorithms (EA)
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- Multi-Agent Systems (MAS)
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# MULTI-AGENT SYSTEMS (MAS)

#### Step 1 Step 2 Collect demonstration data Collect comparison data and and train a supervised policy. train a reward model. A prompt is $\odot$ A prompt and 0 several model sampled from our Explain reinforcement Explain reinforcement prompt dataset. outputs are learning to a 6 year old. learning to a 6 year old. sampled. A In reinforcement learning, the agent is... 2 A labeler C demonstrates the In machine learning... desired output We give treats and behavior. punishments to teach... A labeler ranks the outputs from best SFT to worst. D>C>A>B This data is used to fine-tune GPT-3.5 with supervised learning.

В Explain rewards... D We give treats and punishments to

D > C > A >

This data is used to train our reward model.

Step 3

Optimize a policy against the reward model using the PPO reinforcement learning algorithm.

A new prompt is sampled from the dataset.

Write a story about otters.

PPO

Once upon a time...

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The PPO model is initialized from the supervised policy.

The policy generates an output.

The reward model calculates a reward for the output.

The reward is used to update the policy using PPO.

## CHAT GPT AND GPT-4

 Data analytics is seen as obsolete due to Chat GPT

OPredicts user output based on user inputOMade artificial intelligence accessible to allinstead of a few individuals

GPT-4 is introduced in March 2023
OWrite, interpret, execute, and run complex code for data analytics

oHelps choose suppliers, integration in sales, and demand forecasting



# CONCERNS AND DANGERS

- Increased reliance on AI
- Delegation of authority may not always be helpful
- Displace workers
- Unethical usage
  - Impact sourcing is a solution
  - Sama the training company has false claims of ethical usage of AI in SCND
  - Paid less than \$2 an hour
- Consumers should be aware of the effects and social impact of AI

### RISK MITIGATION

Risk Prediction Models

o Various models, some using real-time data and others using historical

- Just-in-time production the ability to adjust to rapidly fluctuating demands
  - Climate Change
  - o Imposes a 1.3 Trillion-dollar risk within the next 5 years

### BARRIERS TO ENTRY

- Adopting AI starts with top-level management.
  - Clear business strategy and objectives
- Cost of Implementing AI
  - A study on 90% of businesses shows that AI implementation works only 30% of the time on the first try
- Timely
  - AI takes a long time to train, as the training process includes collecting, screening, eliminating, acknowledging missing data, and extracting data to train the model
  - Repeat the process when errors occur

## DISRUPTIONS IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN CAUSED BY COVID-19

- Damaged customer's ability to pay for goods and services
- Suppliers are unable to produce and supply enough raw materials to meet demand
- The needs of healthcare institutions were not being met during the time of COVID-19
- Businesses did not have enough workers to keep factories up and running

### HOW ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE(AI) IS FIXING DISRUPTIONS CAUSED BY COVID-19

- Supply chains can use AI to harness big data to enable managers to rapidly predict risks via identification and quantification from past impact and prescribe mitigating strategies tailored to the particular scenario.
  - These insights can be used to improve operational and financial performance.
- Predictive Analysis uses AI to anticipate historical demand by analyzing past sales data, market patterns, and outside variables such as variations in consumer behavior due to past pandemics. Now that we have the data from COVID-19 we can stop these supply shortages sooner by basing our supply chains on historical data from COVID-19.
- AI takes menial jobs away so factories can stay up and running for longer

# AI AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT IN THE HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY

- COVID-19 created an inventory shortage within the healthcare industry
- Hospitals had their inventory tracked and reported, and they would trade between themselves when a shortage was detected.
- Hospitals used AI applications to rank patients based on their critical condition, this along with an ethics board would then have to choose where to allocate their resources.
- Computer-generated programs help the healthcare industry provide reminders for patients about med reconciliation, pain reassessment, or blood glucose checks.



#### THANKYOU!

Questions?