

Mastering the Art of

LEGAL PROMPTING:

Advanced Prompting Techniques

Unlock the true potential of AI systems by honing these skills:

1 ITERATIVE REFINEMENT

Continuously refining a prompt through multiple cycles of testing the AI response.

Identify issues and edit prompts to improve your response.

INITIAL PROMPT_

User
Summarize key copyright principles.

REFINED PROMPT_

User
Explain core components of U.S. copyright law as it applies to written works.

2 INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE

Conversing with the AI through a series of back-and-forth prompts and responses.

Iteratively refine the final output.

User Discuss fundamentals of patent law.

AI Which jurisdiction?

User Focus on key requirements for software patents in the U.S.

AI

3 FEW-SHOT AND MANY-SHOT LEARNING

Providing the AI with varying numbers of examples relevant to the desired response.

Few-shot learning: 2-5 examples

Many-shot learning: 10+ examples

User Provide 5 examples of successful patent applications when asking about approval requirements.

4 CHAINED REASONING

Constructing an argument or narrative by sequentially building up prompts.

Each new prompt builds on the AI's previous response.

User What is hearsay evidence?

AI An out-of-court statement offered to prove the truth of whatever it asserts, which is then offered in evidence to prove the truth of the matter.

User Why is hearsay generally inadmissible in court?

AI

5 SOCRATIC QUESTIONING

Pose a series of probing, open-ended questions.

Encourage the AI to explore the topic in greater depth.

User What are the key ethical concerns when applying copyright law to internet piracy?

AI

6 SELF-REFLECTION

Ask the AI to critique its own responses and suggest improvements.

Sharpen the AI's performance.

User Review your last 3 responses. What are some ways you could improve your explanations?

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Prompting is a skill that improves with practice.

Thoughtfully crafted prompts enable legal professionals to get the most useful insights from AI systems.

With hands-on experience, lawyers can develop expertise in creating prompts tailored to their legal AI tools.

Discover how you can strategically harness the power of generative AI.

THE LEGAL PROFESSIONAL'S HANDBOOK:

Generative AI Fundamentals, Prompting, and Applications

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