

1000s of Customized LLMs: Challenges and Opportunities

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Today's AI is Capable

ChatGPT passes exams from law and business schools



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'In awe': scientists impressed by latest ChatGPT model 01

The doctors pioneering the use of AI to improve outcomes for patients

Faster diagnostics, more targeted treatment and better communication are among areas of healthcare already benefiting from artificial intelligence

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Evaluation

100x cost reduction for benchmarks [ICML 2024]

Evaluation with 100s of prompt templates [NeurIPS 2024]

300k downloads  **lm-evaluation-harness** 30k downloads  **promptbench**



tinyBenchmarks Community

 <https://github.com/felipemaiapolo...>



PromptEval

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Readiness of LLMs for tasks in the economy

O*NET Database

Aug 30, 2024 – The O*NET Database contains hundreds of standardized and occupation-specific descriptors on almost 1,000 occupations covering the entire U.S. economy. The database, which is ...

Efficiency

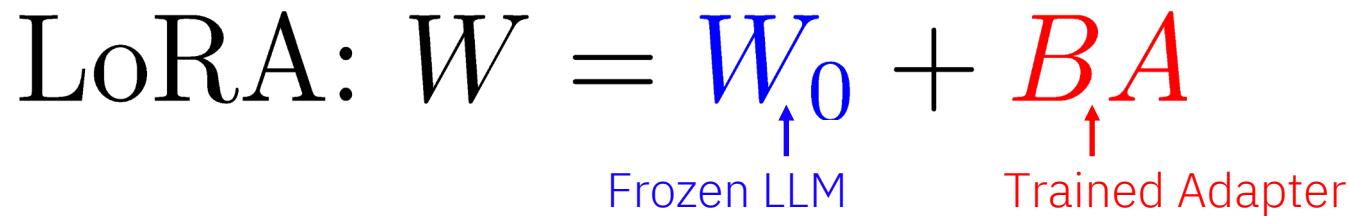
LLM Routing: choosing the right LLM for the task reduces cost and improves performance [ICLR 2024, COLM 2024]

Serving 1000s of Customized LLMs

The Challenge

Serving 1000s of customized LLMs as individual models is too expensive...

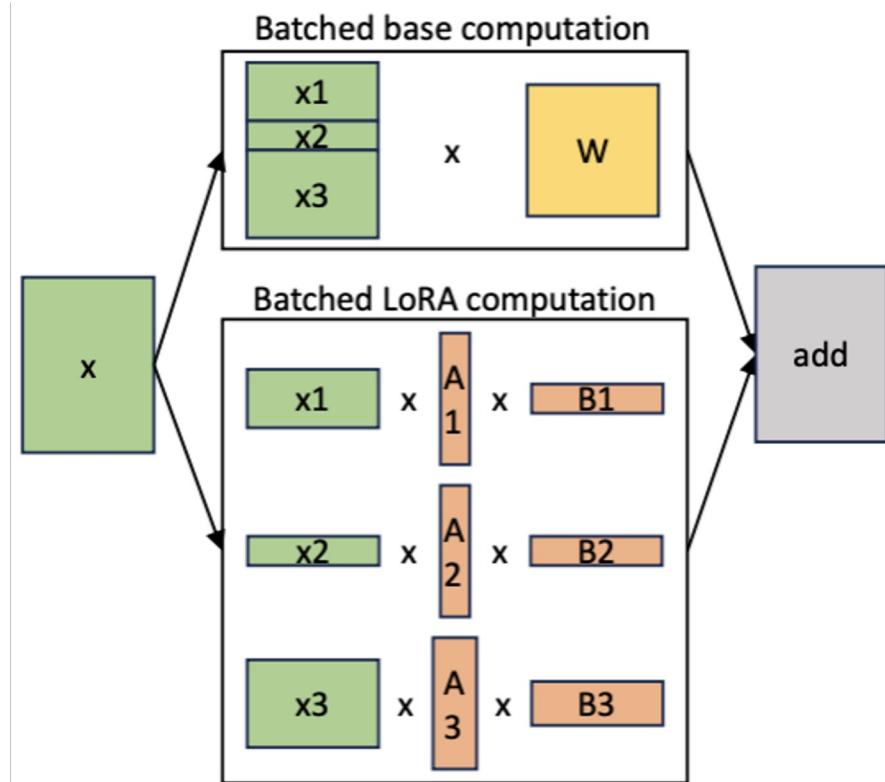
We need to consider the customization mechanism:

$$\text{LoRA: } W = W_0 + BA$$


The diagram illustrates the LoRA customization mechanism. It shows the equation $W = W_0 + BA$. The term W_0 is in blue, with a blue arrow pointing to the text "Frozen LLM" below it. The term BA is in red, with a red arrow pointing to the text "Trained Adapter" below it.

Careful System Design

S-LoRA (Sheng et al. 2024):
Add adapters *on-the-fly*
during serving



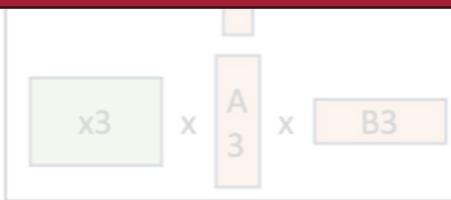
... is good, but not enough

- 1000 LoRAs is still ~10x model size
- We can't fit them in the GPU memory
- Throughput degrades as we scale

Batched base computation

x1

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Considering Collection of LoRAs

$$\{(A_i, B_i)\}_{i=1}^n$$

- Is there redundancy in a large *collection*?
- Is there room for *approximation* error?
- Can we serve 1000+ LoRAs as efficiently as a *single* LLM?

Step 1: Train Lots of LoRAs

 **Lots of LoRAs** Community

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Models 1268 

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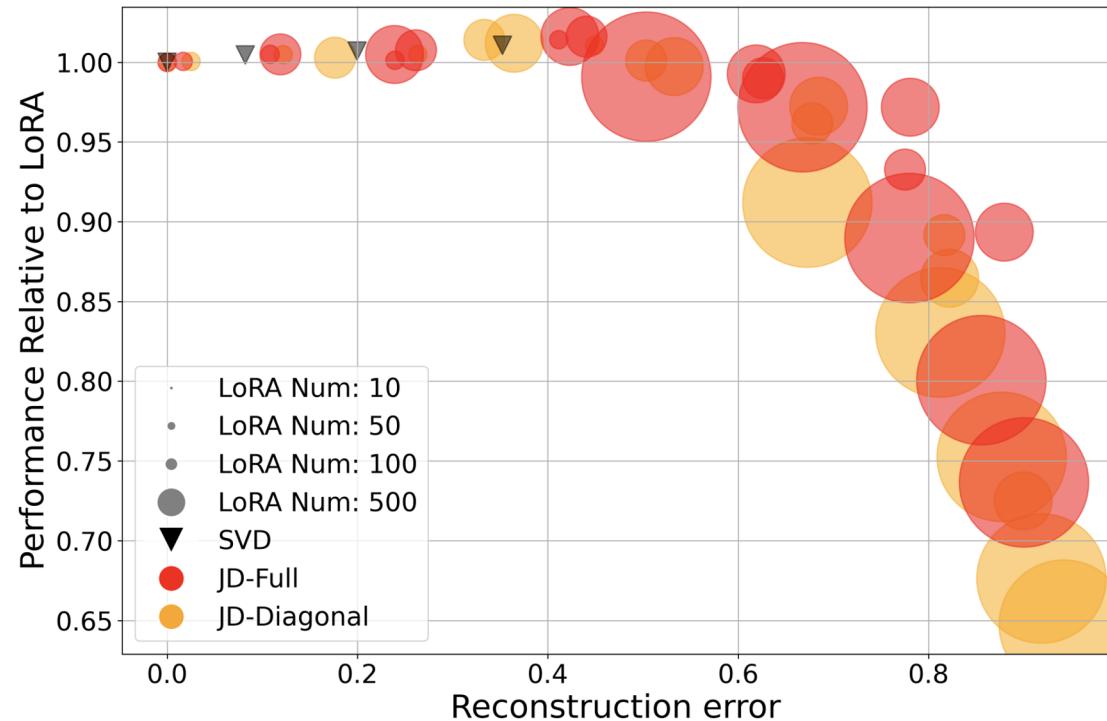
GPU-Friendly Compression

$$\{(A_i, B_i)\}_{i=1}^n$$

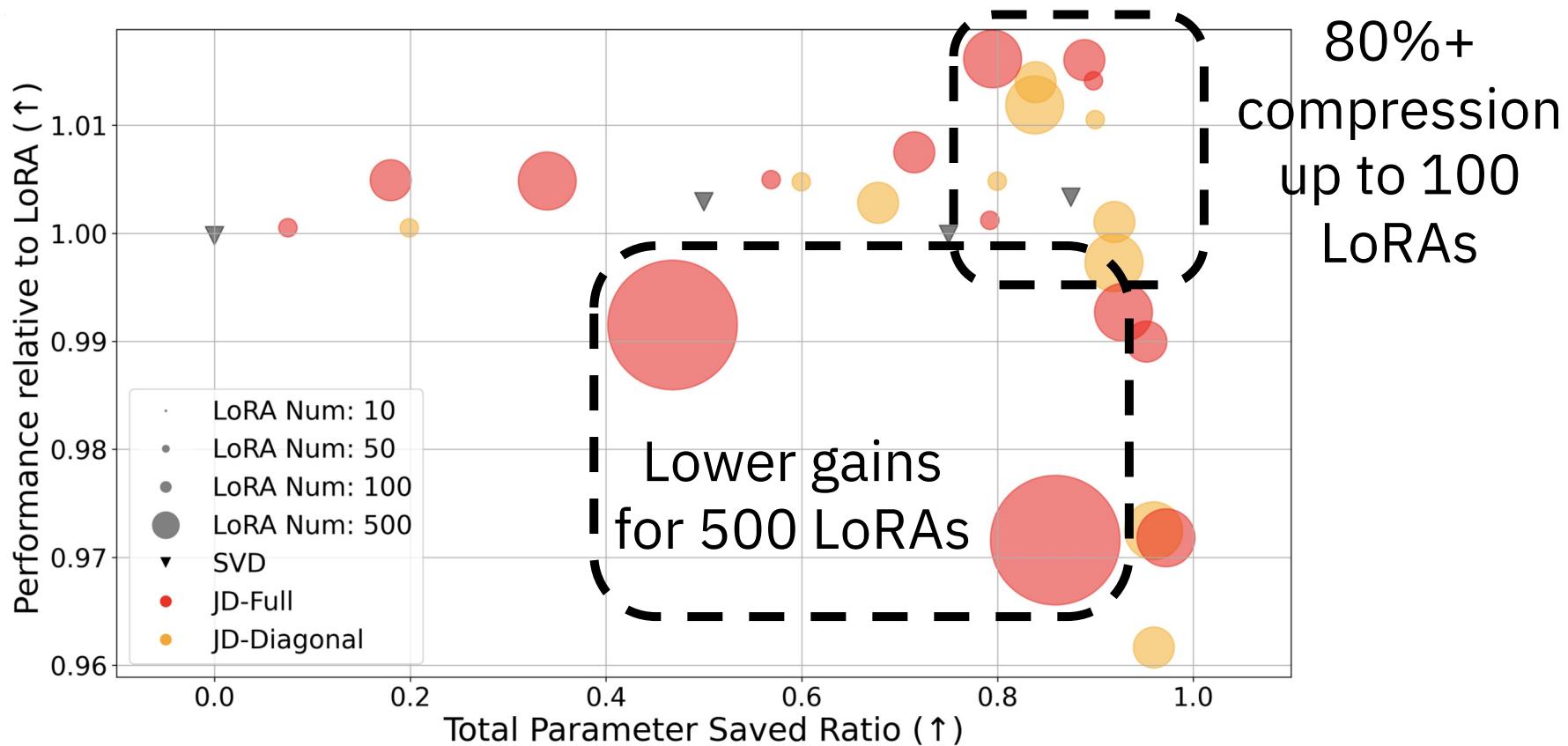
$$\text{JD-Full}_r(\{B_i A_i\}_{i=1}^n) = \underset{\substack{\{\Sigma_i\}_{i=1}^n \\ U^\top U = V^\top V = I_r}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i A_i - \overset{\text{shared}}{\underset{\text{LoRA-specific}}{\underset{\uparrow}{U \Sigma_i V^\top}}}\|_{\text{Fro}}^2$$

Room for Approximation

Up to 50%
reconstruction
error preserves
the performance



Compression vs Performance



Clustering Extension

Initialization: Split LoRAs into K clusters

Step 1: Using JD algorithm find U_k, V_k for each cluster C_k *independently*:

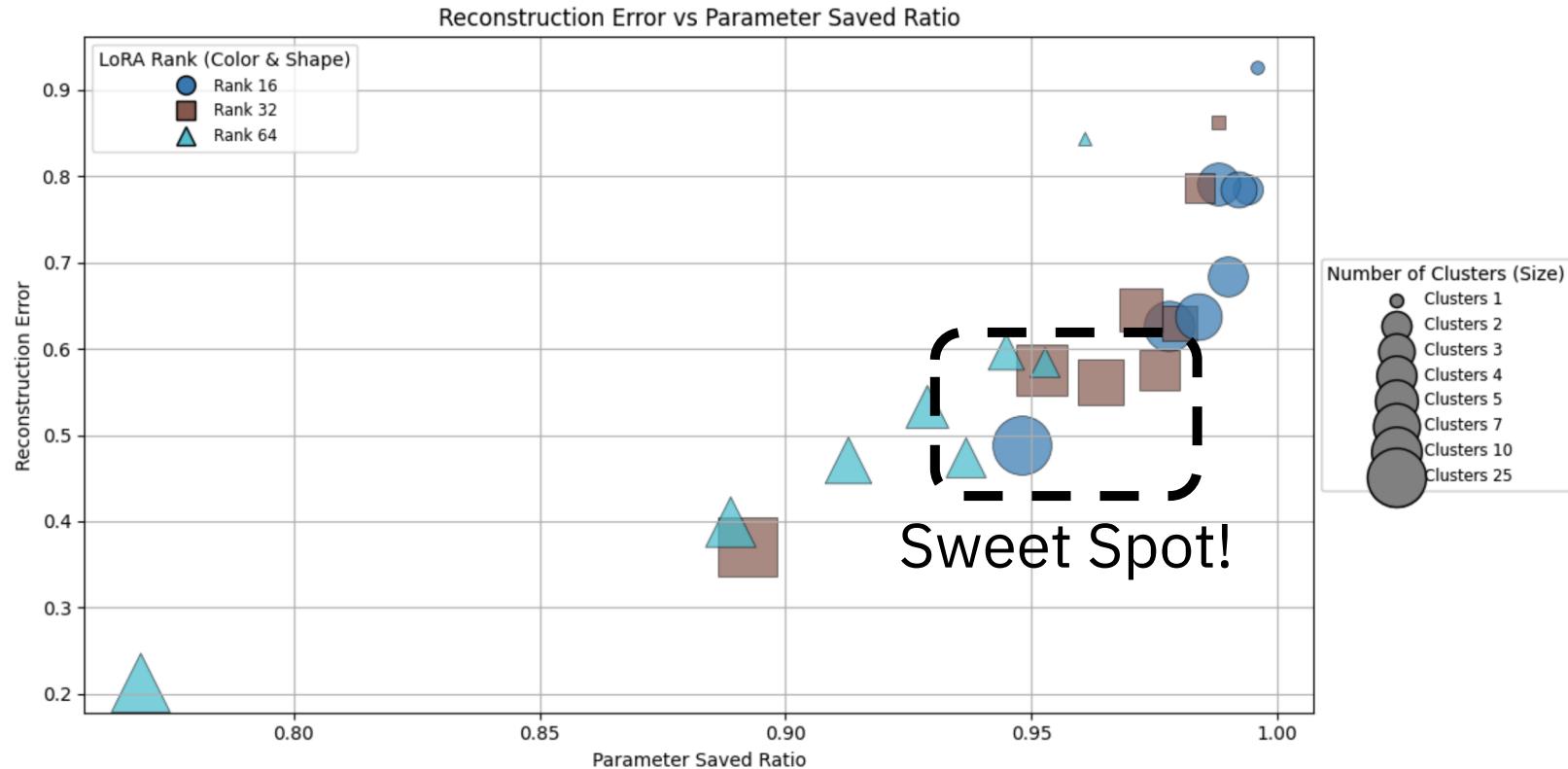
$$\min_{U_k, V_k, \Sigma_i} \sum_{i \in C_k} \|B_i A_i - U_k \Sigma_i V_k^\top\|_{\text{Fro}}^2$$

Step 2: New cluster assignment for each LoRA i :

$$\min_k \min_{\Sigma_i} \|B_i A_i - U_k \Sigma_i V_k^\top\|_{\text{Fro}}^2$$

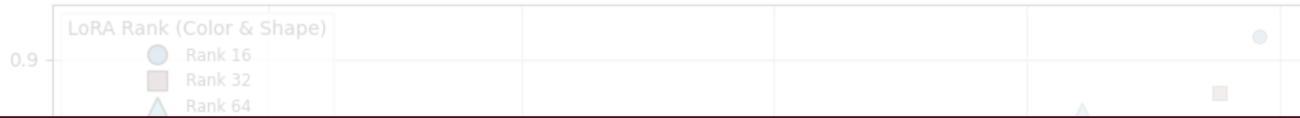
Repeat Steps 1 and 2 until convergence

Revisiting 500 LoRAs



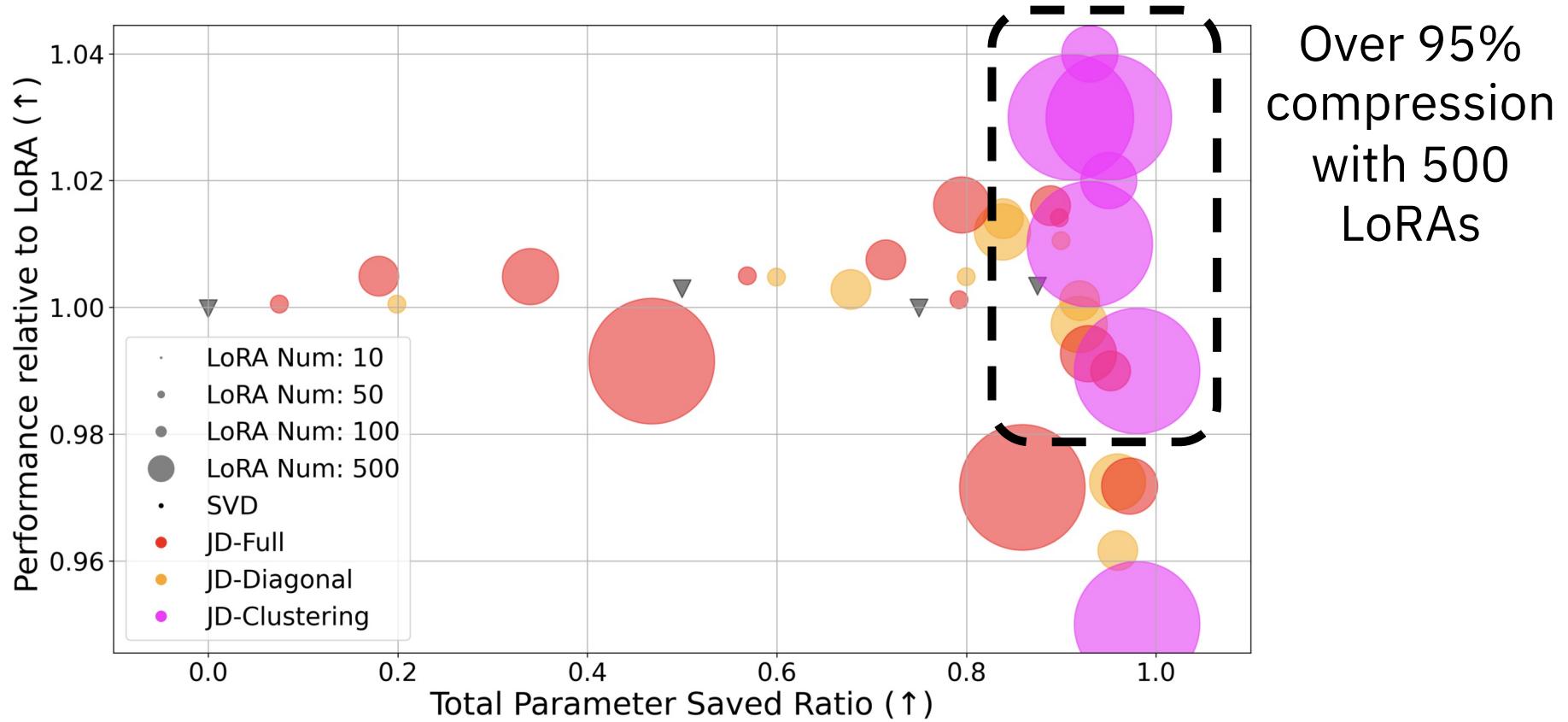
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Reconstruction Error vs Parameter Saved Ratio

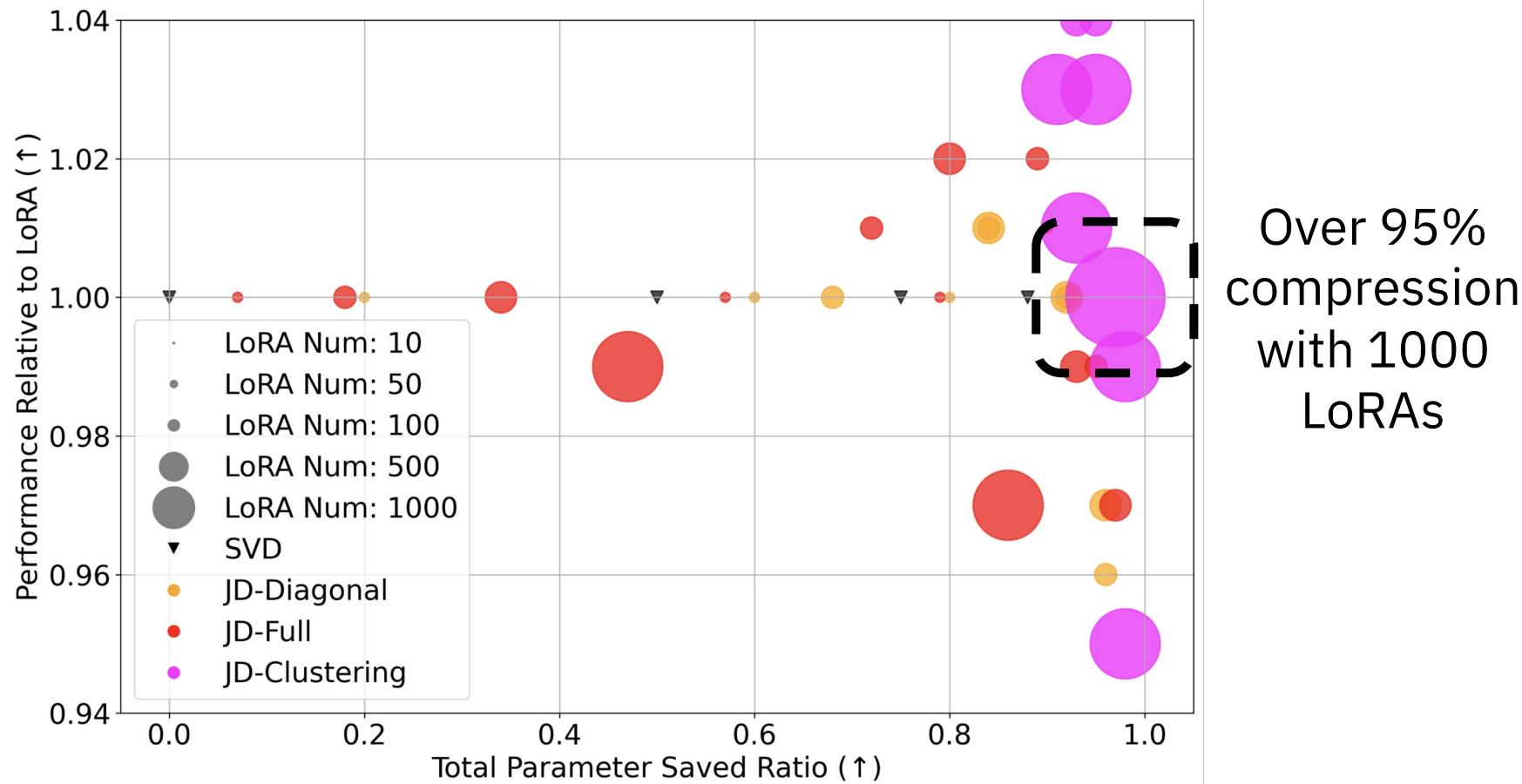


- Empirical data drives the methodology
- Proxy metric (reconstruction error) allows fast experimentation

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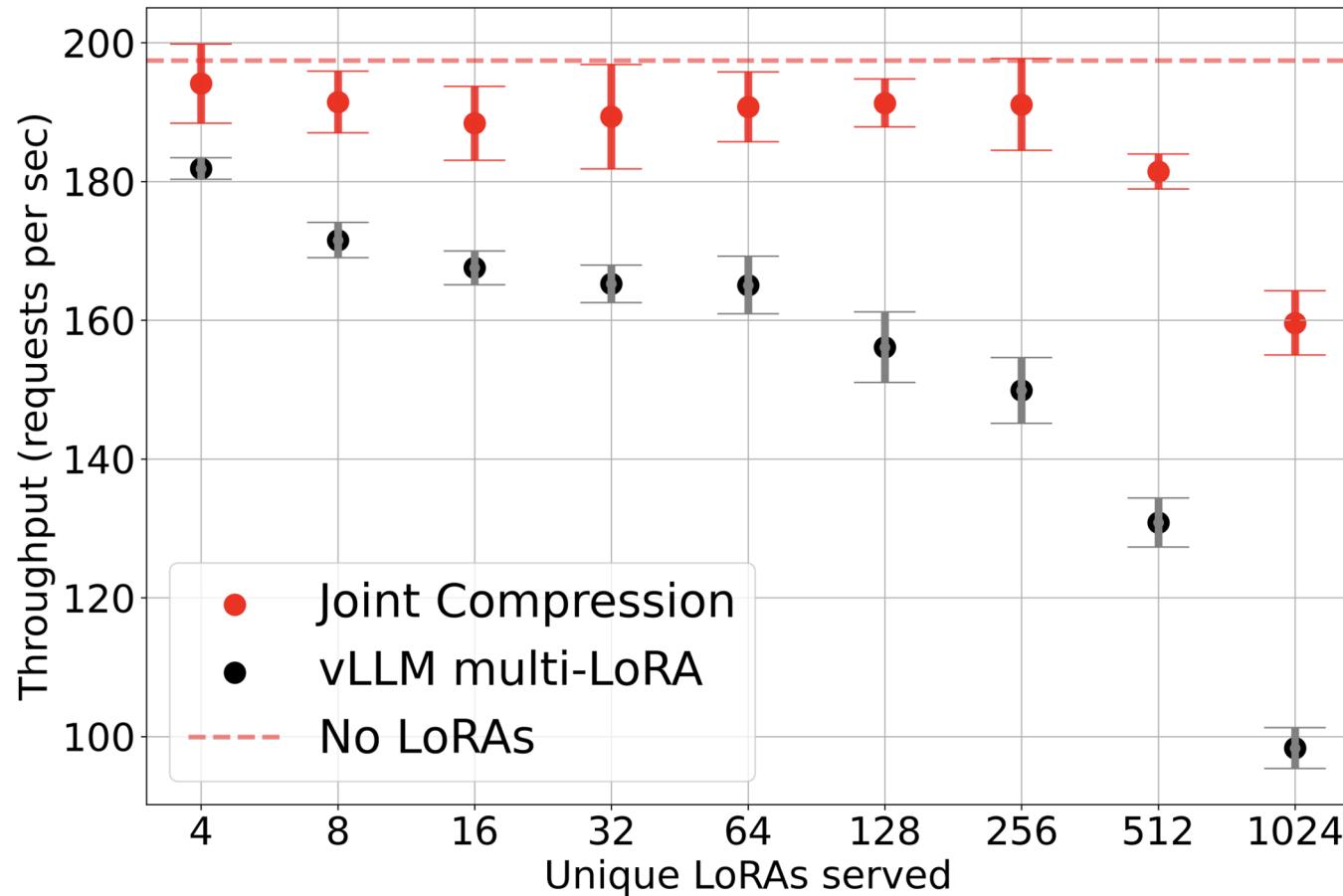


What about a 1000 LoRAs?



Over 95%
compression
with 1000
LoRAs

Throughput with vLLM



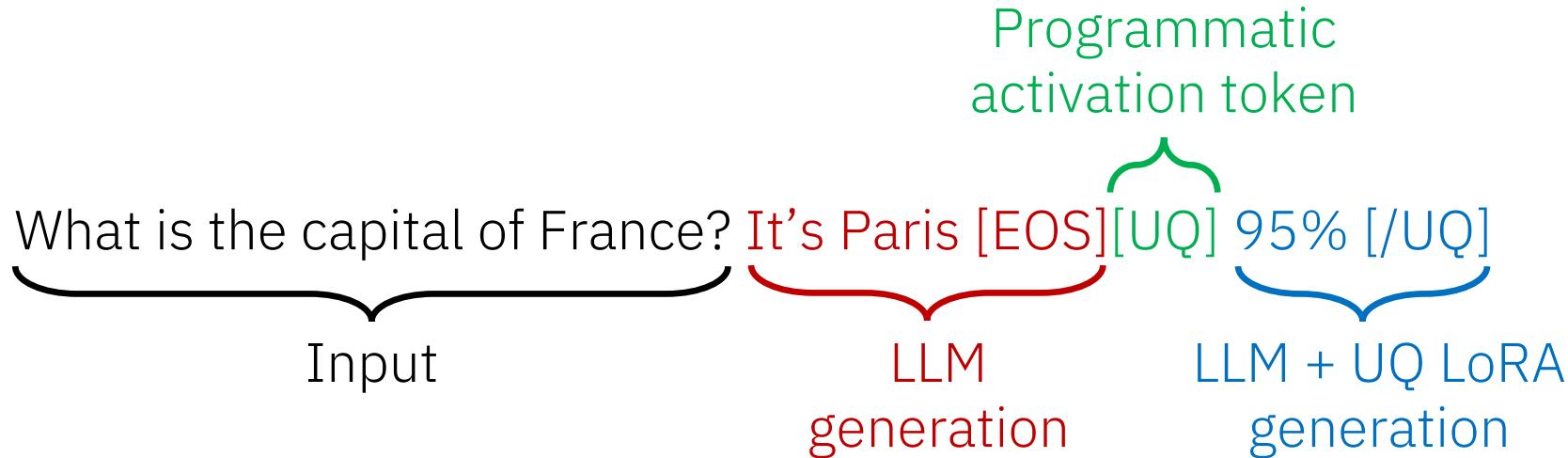
What is Next?

Development with customized models:

- Multi-agent chats [character.ai]
- Complex synthetic data pipelines
- LLM agents [crew.ai]

Efficient Test-Time Scaling

What is Next: Test-Time Search



Unaltered base model generation

LoRA-based verifiers can be trained independently

Can support 100s (or 1000s) of specialized verifiers

What is Next: o1-style

[OpenAI, 2024]

o1 CoT: Backtracking

Similarly, $m(x)^* (-x^2) = (-x^2n + 2 + m^2n - 2x^2n + \text{lower terms})m(x)^* (-x^2) = (-x^{2n+2} + m^{2n-2}x^{2n} + \text{lower terms}).$

Wait, actually, this may not help us directly without specific terms. An alternative is to consider the known polynomials.

So $m(x) = k \dots$

What is Next: o1-style

[OpenAI, 2024]

o1 CoT: Self-Evaluation

Let's analyze each option.

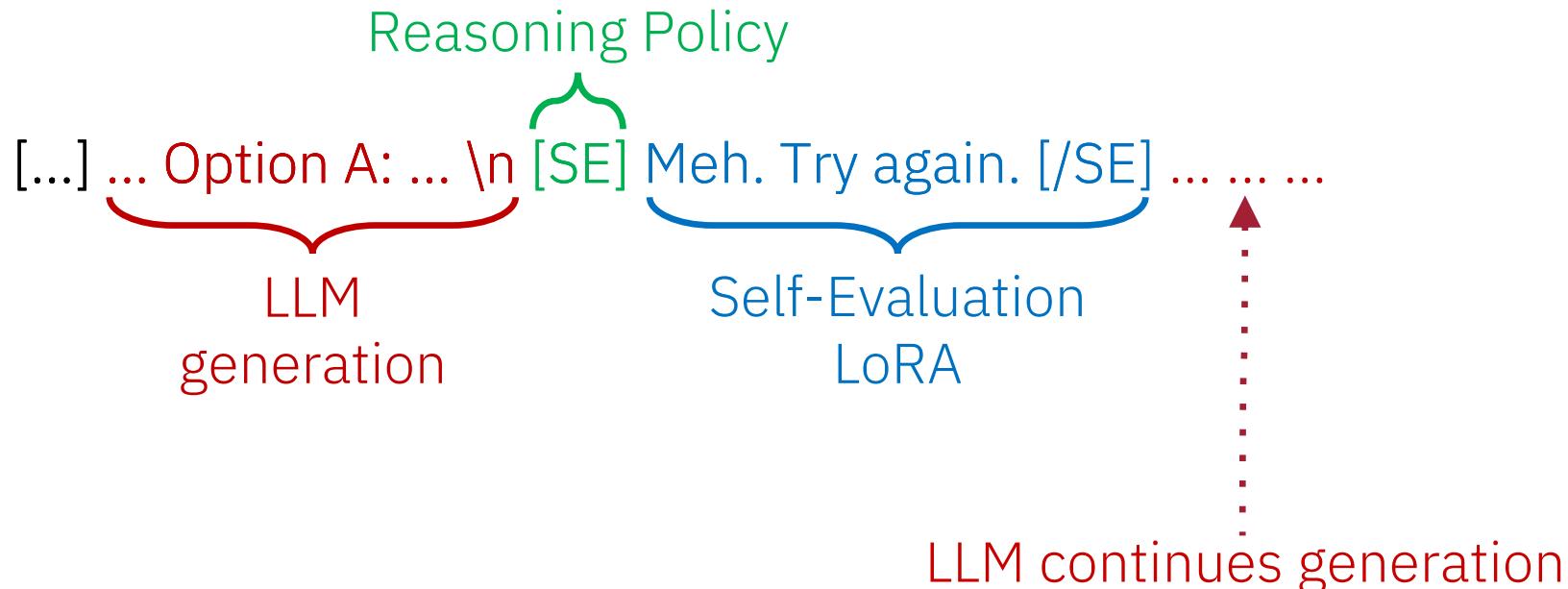
Option A: "because appetite regulation is a field of staggering complexity."

Is that a good explanation? Hmm.

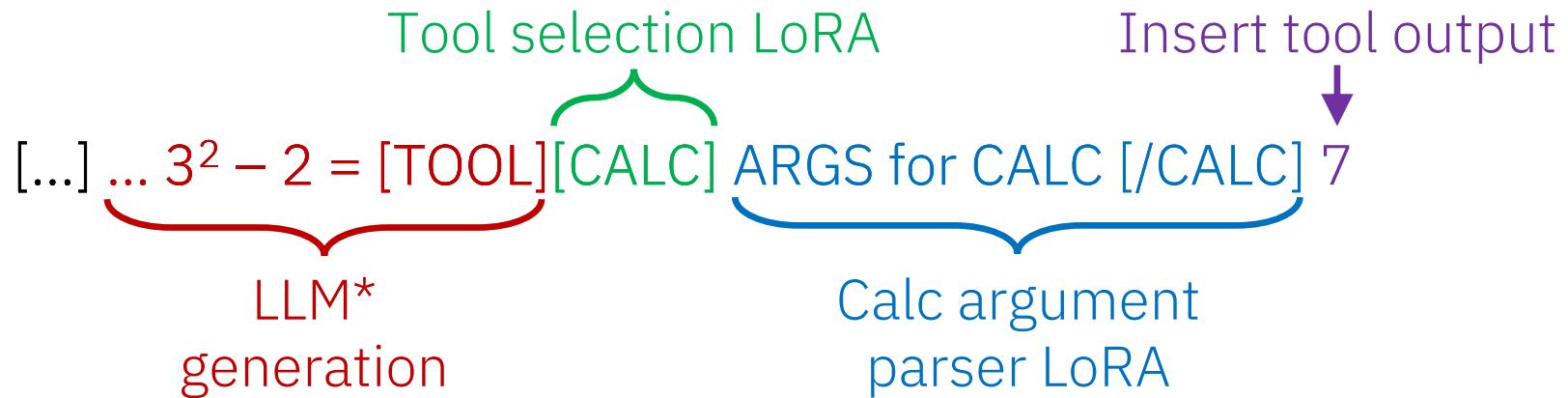
Option B: "because researchers seldom ask the right questions."

Does this make sense with the main clause?

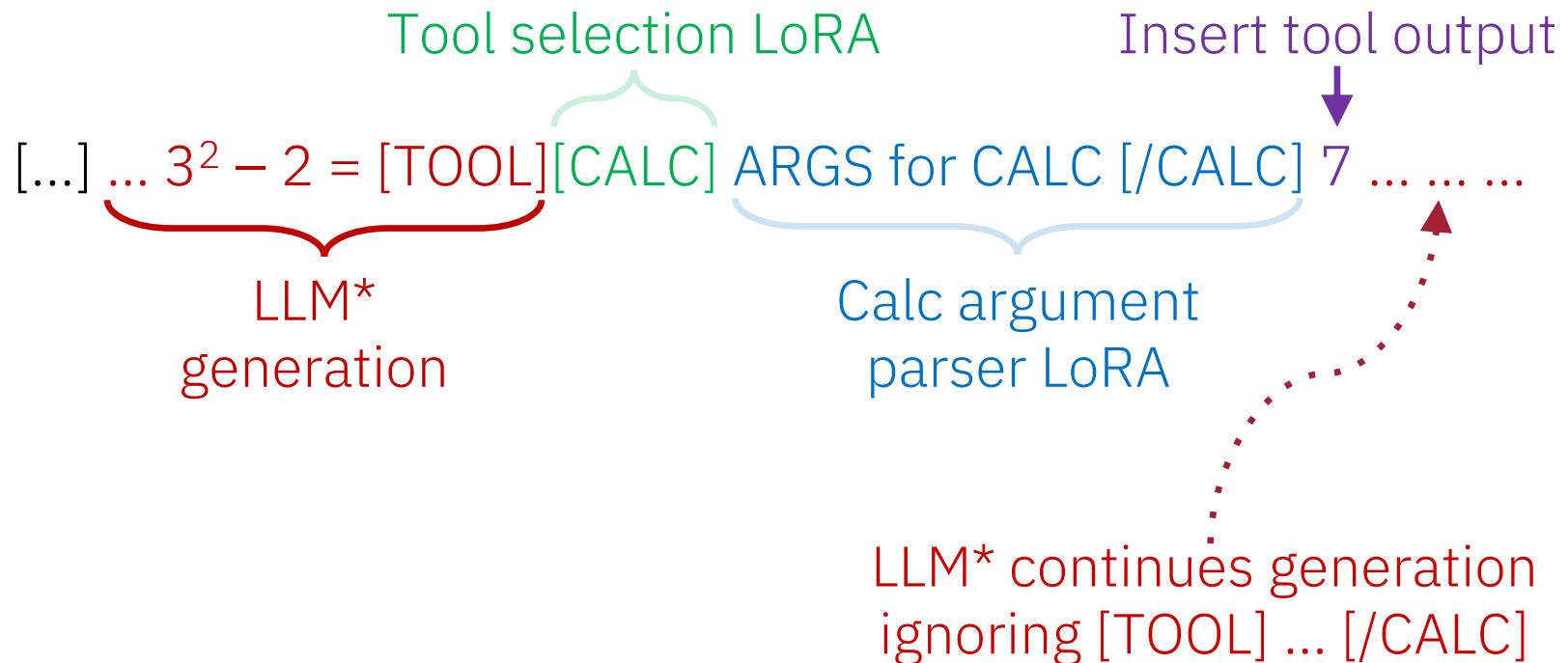
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Tool selection LoRA

Insert tool output

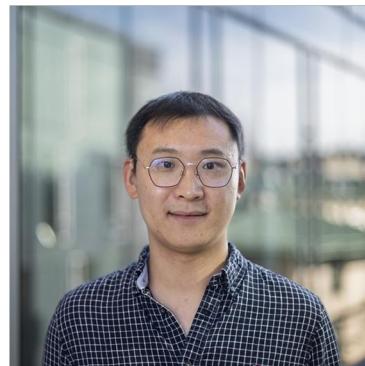
- Many opportunities to create test-time capabilities through dedicated LoRAs
- We can serve such systems as efficiently as the vanilla LLM

Granite* continues generation
ignoring [TOOL] ... [/CALC]

Big Shoutout!



Tal Shnitzer
LLM Routing



Hongyi Wang
LLM Routing



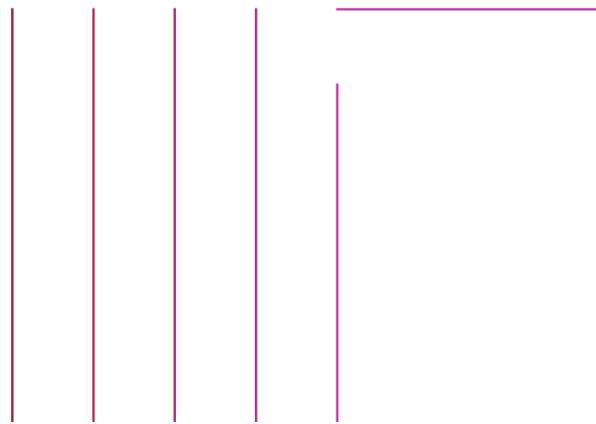
Felipe Maia Polo
LLM Evaluation



Rickard Gabrielsson
LoRA Compression

And many others!

Thank You!





Questions?