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Mollick maps AI's jagged edge

Ethan Mollick, a professor at the Wharton School, argues in One Useful Thing that the newest AI models come close to his working definition of artificial general intelligence, "an AI as good as most human experts at most intellectual tasks you can do with a computer." He calls the result Jagged AGI, since the models still fall well behind human capability in important areas of many tasks.

A seller can test a model on the narrow jobs that fill a product line and keep the output only where it holds up. Ask a model to write twenty journal prompts for a gratitude planner, then check every prompt by hand and rewrite the ones that turn vague or repeat themselves.

Source: One Useful Thing, Fable 5.2 and Jagged AGI
https://www.oneusefulthing.org/p/fable-52-and-jagged-agi