

Inside one episode: everything the editor decided, and why

The working papers of one real episode of The Silicon Sawhorse, 9 October 2026, as the newsroom left them: the editor's own log of the run, most of the 283 stories it considered, with its score and reason for each, and what the production voice said about it on air. Two changes only: a few stories and notes touching on our own business are left out or reworded in general terms. No score or decision has changed.

How to read it

- **Selected** stories made the episode (78, told as 47 stories, because the same news usually turns up on several sites). **Probe** marks a deliberate detour outside my usual interests (12). **Cut** means good enough but out of room: these go on a bench, and the next episode looks at them again (10). **Rejected** is everything else (183), each with its reason.
- The table lists nearly every story; the counts above are for all 283.
- Scores are the editor's own, out of 100, against my written brief.
- The article's figures come from the run's own meters, not from what the editor wrote. Where they differ, the meters win: the log below counts 17 researcher batches, and the meters recorded 16 researchers sent out, plus one reviewer.
- Behind the scenes gives the cost as Claude Code priced it that night: \$29 for the language models. Sonnet's cache reads are now listed at half the rate it used, so at today's list price it comes to \$27.94, the figure in the article.
- Behind the scenes is written and read before the recording has finished, so its recording figures are a little short: the finished run took 23 minutes to record, and 27 lines were sent back for another take.

Behind the scenes, as broadcast

Read by the production voice at the end of part 3.

Hello, I'm Nell, and this is how the edition was made. We looked at about two hundred and eighty articles this week, and forty-seven made it in.

The hardest calls were about stories that keep going. OpenAI's agents wandering onto other people's systems produced plenty of fresh reporting, including a parliamentary hearing in Australia, but nothing that changed the story, so it stayed out. The same went for the flood of AI-made maths, where only Thomas Hales's question about whether Lean itself can be trusted felt genuinely new.

The near misses were good ones: a fast on-device inference engine called Magnitude, a sharp write-up of a tool-calling bug in vLLM, and an airship acting as a mobile phone mast over Japan from the stratosphere. All of them lost out for room.

Some things could not be read. SaaStr's site limited how often we could visit, so Jason Lemkin's new post on the missing AI account executive is described from its title and from what Salesforce and SaaStr's earlier posts document, and its figures are left out. Carbon Brief refused us again and has been dropped; the Copernicus services are read directly instead. Tom's Hardware earned its place this week with four stories, and Docker's blog joins the list of places we check.

Your current focus shaped the mix: sandboxes for agents, agents at work, AI for data analysis and the cost of local hardware got the most room. And two proposals have gone in for you to look at: a check that warns when a new find is a story you've already heard under a different address, and a rule for how much of a blocked article's title we may report.

There's no feedback on file yet, so the balance follows the standing brief: depth on agents and data first, then the physical world, the planet, and a few things from further afield, including seven deliberate detours outside your usual patch, from nuclear clocks to a very tall wind turbine. If any of those land, or miss, a word of feedback is all it takes.

And Hugh would like it known that he did pronounce Kajaani correctly, on the third take.

For the record: this edition took 33 minutes to research and write, and 21 more to record. 16 researchers ran 287 searches and read 424 pages, to judge 283 candidates. The language models got through 52 million tokens, at a list price of 29 dollars: 14 dollars for the editor on Claude Opus, 11 dollars for the researchers on Claude Sonnet, 4 dollars for web searches and 80 cents for reading pages. On the subscription, that's about 2.4 points of the week's allowance, worked out from the list price; the weekly meter went from 56 to 58 per cent. Recording and checking this version cost about 1 dollar 80, and a listening model sent 26 lines back for another take. The music is by Google's Lyria, generated for 4 cents.

The editor's log

Written by the editor (Claude Opus) as it worked, word for word.

Inputs

- Read interests.md, current-focus.md, feedback.md (no entries yet - so the standing brief and current focus set the mix), missed.md (nothing pending; nothing to process), media-taste.md, notebook.md, next-week.md, the last heard edition 2026-10-08-2040 (about 26 hours earlier, so continuity is "since the last edition"), the ledger (via ledger_search), the bench (31 items cut on 2026-10-08), SHARED/proposed-changes.md.
- Current focus shaped the run: running many coding agents in sandboxes (Docker sandboxes, MXC, OSC 7501, dynamic workflows, PixelLeak, skills study), agents at work (SaaS/Salesforce item, Deel back office), AI for data analysis, local inference (Mac dates, memory prices, DeepSeek self-hosting costs, Mistral/Ecosia), home renovation (Powershare, illustrated HA dashboard, lamps), The Token Times itself (scheduled-agent reference design). The eclipse lift produced nothing new (Tunisia stories recycle April material).
- Not named on air: Omniscio/Visokio (no item about them).
- Correction check: the last edition's Mistral Large 4 and DeepSeek figures agree with the new independent tests; no correction needed.

Searches

Researchers ran about 300 web searches in all (round 1: eleven batches; round 2: five). Highlights: - Useful: Europe/chips/China batch (Tom's Hardware, Welt, TechNode); security batch (Help Net Security, The Record); data market; agent infra round 2 (Docker, Modal, MXC coverage, Claude platform docs); probes round 2 (Physics World, New Atlas, Nobel pages). - Thin: UK home energy (only the August Ofgem cap); eclipse logistics (nothing new); Mac local inference (nothing new in the window); TTS (all already served); AI-native small firms (Deel only); IaC agents (nothing in window). - HN listing pages (front by day 8-9 Oct, page 2, /best, live) gave ~40 stories without searches.

Sources checked

- HN: 9 selected items trace to it. Claude blog/claude.dev/platform docs: automations, Block, dynamic workflows. Electrek: FSD rename, Powershare. MacRumors: Mac dates. SaaS: 4 queued posts all 429; bench posts served. Hugging Face blog/API, Ollama/llama.cpp/vLLM/MLX releases: point releases only. Simon Willison: supporting reads. Adversa, Embrace The Red, Trail of Bits: nothing new selected.

NSIDC: same post as last edition. Copernicus: no September bulletin yet. Carbon Brief: refused again (robots.txt) -> retired.

Notebook changes

- Promoted: Radiance Fields (hits in three runs), The Decoder (hits 10-08 and 10-09), Earendil/Ronacher (hits 10-04, 10-08, 10-09).
- Added to probation: Tom's Hardware, Help Net Security, The Record, Docker blog, Goodfire, Salesforce customer stories, BIS speeches, Teslarati (first hit), Physics World, New Atlas, NobelPrize.org, Raspberry Pi news (readable again), DroneXL.
- Retired: Carbon Brief (refused two runs running).
- One-source-a-fifth rule: no source supplies more than 5 of 47 items (Tom's Hardware 5 incl. folds; HN is a trail).

Delegation

- 17 researcher batches: 11 in round 1 (HN, coding agents, agent security, open models, business/sales, data market, physical world, climate/home/eclipse, internals/TTS/Neuron, Europe/chips/China/US, TV and probes), a batch for stories whose sources turned us away (SaaStr posts, Anthropic IPO, OpenAI revenue, Vercel, OpenAI firings), and round 2 (agent infra primaries, Mac/devices/3D/TTS, AI-native firms, science/engineering probes). One cold reviewer.
- Researchers reported several pages carrying text addressed to AI systems; the desk stripped it and nothing was acted on.
- Cache reuse: many pages came from the shared cache (bench items, Splash, ElevenLabs, Meta Connect, Lean post, StarMind etc.); researchers checked cache_lookup before fetching.
- Bench: 31 items came back. 17 served (most folded into other items: trace-eval paper, Knowledge-as-Skill, Vals magnets, Quesma, lamps, C3S, CAMS, Copilot dynamic workflows, Cursor tokens, Lasso watermarking, SaaStr headless and inbound, Project Swap, TLS certificates, MindClip, WeatherNext 3, serverless horror). 2 cut again (Magnitude, vLLM tool calls). 12 rejected as stale or weak.
- Researcher slips: one gave a Claude Code dynamic-workflows launch date from snippets only (not used); one used 33 searches against an allowance of 30.

Failures

- SaaStr limited our visits on all four queued posts; the story was told from its title and from earlier readable posts by Salesforce and SaaStr; title only, no figures from the blocked post; PayPal post not landed (no readable second source) - rejected.
- CNBC, TechCrunch, Axios, The Register refused: OpenAI revenue and firings landed via The Decoder and others, but rejected on merit.
- reddit.com refused (r/LocalLLaMA unread). The Hacker News site articles 403 (feed snippets only - not used).
- Windows Developer Blog (MXC GA) refused; used Gadget Pilipinas and the repo/readme-derived note.

Hard calls

- Rogue-agent saga (Medicare portal, Wikimedia, Senate hearing, DNS report): lots of reporting, no decision or outcome -> rejected (no substantial development), per Steve's 8 Oct rule.
- OpenAI maths: only Hales's Lean-soundness piece kept, as a new angle; Karagila, AHM, Zvi rejected.
- Cursor remote control: had been rejected last edition; removed from the OSC item rather than reviving it.
- Tesla rename: a substantial development of the Dutch thread (rename + German position) -> layer 1, framed as new.

- Mistral: Ecosia + German ministry + independent tests together make a new story, not a repeat of the launch.
- Probes: 7 of 47 (15%) - Gicon turbine, Washington accord, Lean soundness, Vals magnets, nuclear clocks, Nobels, HUMXN.
- Fed's Barr: kept as a short substantive macro item; Stanford study folded as context.

Reviewer

The cold reviewer reported ten problems; all were fixed: Starmind timeline (thousands from late 2027, a million eventually), Dana's "two things" and dropped "accord", OPPO "sells" -> invitations, a non-sequitur in PixelLeak, Giulia speaking twice in a row (host turn added), an on-air "PixelLeak" name the listener never heard, SaaStr and Lemkin introduced in episode two, the "one lab" callback made explicit, the crypto turn split, and the light moment in behind the scenes replaced (it touched a news item). Shape fixes: layer-3 segments relabelled "tail"; "finally" reduced to the last two items. check_edition then reported OK (script ~7,900 words, ~56 minutes; behind ~2.7).

Self-improvement

- Desk tools used: fetch (via researchers), cache_lookup, ledger_search (~25 calls), bench, add_candidates, check_edition, write_ledger.
- Missed: a story-level ledger check (proposed). Proposed a brief clarification on blocked-post titles.
- check_edition asked for ?p= addresses for two items (read-as forms); followed it.

What I'd do differently

- When a site turns us away, move on to other readable sources sooner.
- Keep a running list of "saturated threads" in next-week.md so later runs reject them faster.
- Script came out ~7% under target; write tail segments with one extra exchange from the start.

The stories considered

	Score	Story	Source	The editor's reason
selected	72	ts-rust: LLMs port the TypeScript compiler to Rust	GitHub (pingdotgg)	large agent-built port with real cost figures; Quesma comparison folded in
selected	72	Building effective agent automations	claude.dev	scheduled always-on agents done carefully; maps onto agentic research briefs
selected	72	PixelLeak: coding agents pushed 13,000 internal screenshots to public GitHub	Help Net Security	egress failure by well-meaning agents; skills spreading bad habits
selected	72	Claude Managed Agents dynamic workflows: up to 1,000 parallel sub-agents	The Decoder	running many agents at once, with a measured gain and a cost caveat
selected	72	Tesla drops the 'Full Self-Driving' name in Europe	Electrek	substantial follow-up on the Dutch-approval thread; Tesla is a Steve favourite
selected	72	Docker Cloud Sandboxes: start on your laptop, finish in the cloud	Docker	exactly Steve's many-agents-in-jails setup, now portable to cloud
selected	70	50% of the work created in Linear is now created by agents	SaaStr	folded into an agents-as-users item
selected	70	A terminal protocol for program status (OSC 7501)	Mitchell Hashimoto	directly about supervising many coding agents
selected	70	Deno is joining Cloudflare	Deno	agent-harness infrastructure consolidation; Deno Deploy shutdown matters to builders
selected	70	How Block orchestrates Claude Fable across thousands of pull requests	Claude blog	concrete pattern for many agents at once with humans gating deploys

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selected	70	Claude Managed Agents: workflow runs	Claude Platform Docs	primary limits for the dynamic workflows item
selected	68	Ecosia switches from Mistral to open-weight Qwen, GLM and Kimi	TechNode (crediting POLITICO)	lead of the Mistral/Germany item: a real open-weight switch with cost figure
selected	66	microsoft/mxc: cross-platform sandbox for untrusted code	GitHub (Microsoft)	folded into the sandboxes item
selected	66	HarnessTax: coding-agent harnesses change cost, not success	Arena	measured cost of harness choice; feeds tooling decisions
selected	66	Claude Code 2.1.295: OSC 7501 status, hooks that fail closed	GitHub (Anthropic)	folded into the OSC 7501 item: already shipped in Claude Code
selected	66	Agentic outreach turns SaaS's warm leads into \$2.7 million	Salesforce	sales-agent guardrails and results; tells the SaaS AE story from a readable source
selected	66	PC shipments fall 20% in Q3 as memory shortage bites	Tom's Hardware	memory squeeze hitting the hardware Steve buys for local models
selected	66	Firm rents four H200s to test DeepSeek: self-hosting doubled its Claude bill	Tom's Hardware	real numbers on self-hosted GPU rigs versus API, relevant to the brief
selected	64	Goodfire: production cyber monitors on Kimi K3	Goodfire	interpretability turned into a cheap production guard for open-weight serving
selected	64	Germany pulls out of AI partnership with Mistral and SAP	WELT (POLITICO Pro)	European sovereign-AI turn, same week as Ecosia's switch
selected	64	Independent tests: Mistral Large 4 best outside US and China	Tom's Hardware	independent verdict on a model served last edition; folded into the Mistral item
selected	64	Deel's 8,000 back-office agents	Progressive Robot	agents in the back office at scale, with human approval on every write
selected	62	I pointed AI at 400 years of archives	Jesse Waites	agents navigating a huge structured archive, honest about what survived checking
selected	62	Dark Matter season 2 on Apple TV, 28 August to 30 October	9to5Mac	new season of a show media-taste lists as loved, airing now
selected	62	Study: why agents benefit from skills, and when they fail	The Decoder	practical evidence for how to write and how many skills to give agents
selected	62	SpaceX outlines a million 'Starlink' AI satellites	Teslarati	SpaceX's orbital data-centre ambition, on Ben's beat
selected	62	Bloomberg: OLED MacBook Pro and M6 Macs around 27 October	MacRumors	Mac dates set; 512GB Mac Studio matters for local models
selected	62	Docker Sandbox Kit spec to the CNCF	Docker	folded into the sandboxes item
selected	60	Fed Governor Barr: AI scenarios for productivity and jobs	BIS (Federal Reserve speech)	substantive macro take from a central banker; jobs angle Steve rates
selected	60	The immortal life of Pi: running Pi on Temporal	Temporal	folded into the Deno/Cloudflare durable-harness item
selected	60	I gave Opus 5.5 one prompt and six hours	Quesma	folded into the ts-rust item: what agent-built software costs
selected	60	Claude Platform release notes	Claude Platform Docs	primary announcement for the dynamic workflows item
selected	58	Raspberry Pi raises 2GB Pi 4 and Pi 5 prices on memory costs	Raspberry Pi	memory-price squeeze reaching hobby hardware; pairs with chips story
selected	58	Let's Encrypt: 64-day certificates from February 2027	Let's Encrypt	practical ops change with a date that will bite self-hosters
selected	58	Dune: Part Three on 18 December	SlashFilm	Villeneuve, Dune loved; date set

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selected	58	The provenance tax: watermarking changes agent behaviour	Lasso Security	below-the-API effect on tool calls Steve cares about
selected	58	Running Salesforce headless for six months	SaaStr	folded into the sales-agents item
selected	58	SaaStr guide to a top-tier inbound AI agent	SaaStr	folded into the sales-agents item
selected	58	Microsoft Execution Containers generally available on Windows 11	Gadget Pilipinas	folded into the sandboxes item
selected	56	Crypto 'bunker mode' as AI maths threatens wallet security	Cointelegraph	crypto as technology, consequence of AI maths
selected	56	Agent fleet likely from Tencent scraped Alibaba's maps	Tom's Hardware	agent-fleet scraping is not only an OpenAI problem; Wei's beat
selected	56	Evaluating enterprise analytics agents: trace-backed methodology	arXiv	folded into an evals item: grade the trace, not just the answer
selected	56	Knowledge-as-Skill	arXiv	folded into the skills study item
selected	56	Project Swap: agents trade for us	Anthropic	agents as buyers and sellers - where they go wrong
selected	56	Introducing WeatherNext 3	Google DeepMind	AI weather forecasting, one of Steve's climate strands
selected	56	Modal VM Sandboxes GA	Modal	folded into the sandboxes item
selected	55	I hired an illustrator to draw my house (Home Assistant dashboard)	Anton Frolov	smart home and design, light closer for a renovator
selected	55	Nolan's The Odyssey at home from 17 November	The Week	Nolan is near-automatic for Steve; home date set
selected	55	Pi 1.0	Earendil	folded into the durable-harness item
selected	55	Matthew Green: 15% chance we lose confidence in public-key crypto	Simon Willison	folded into the crypto bunker-mode item
selected	55	Denmark's CPR register: 8.8 million exposed	The Record	national ID register drained through a legitimate API - an access-design lesson
selected	55	Counterfeit TLS certificates via hijacked country domains	TechRadar	folded into the certificates item
selected	55	EU delays Tesla FSD vote to December	Electrek	folded into the FSD rename item
selected	55	Tesla Powershare home backup for Model 3 and Y	Electrek	car as home battery, for a house renovator
selected	55	Six important Apple dates this month	MacRumors	folded into the Apple item
selected	55	Trust Docker for the agents you don't	Docker	folded into the sandboxes item
selected	54	Finland orders Google to stop work on two AI data centres	Tom's Hardware	data centres colliding with Nordic environment and grids; Bethan's beat
selected	54	C3S Summer Review 2026	Copernicus	climate data, Steve's top climate strand
selected	54	Omnia Splat Builder: one photo to a 360-degree splat	Radiance Fields	fewest-photos-to-3D, Steve's stronger interest
selected	54	Coinbase Institute: stablecoins for machine-to-machine payments	The Crypto Times	selling to agents meets crypto-as-technology; folded with Project Swap
selected	52	CAMS Atmosphere Watch	ECMWF	folded into the climate data item
selected	52	Cursor: improved token efficiency	Cursor	folded into the HarnessTax item: harness design moves cost
selected	52	Serverless horror: \$10,811 Cloudflare bill	ServerlessHorrors	folded into the agent automations item as the case for hard caps
selected	52	Cybercab loses door panel in Philadelphia crash	Electrek	folded into the Tesla item as the robotaxi state of play

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selected	52	SpaceX buys 800 MHz spectrum for Starlink Mobile	Teslarati	folded into the SpaceX item
selected	50	The lamps in my house	Fatih Arslan	product design and a house - a gentle closer
selected	50	Copilot dynamic workflows	GitHub	folded into the dynamic workflows item as the parallel move
selected	50	SwitchBot AI MindClip review	Mighty Gadget	lifelogs device, a Steve interest
selected	50	Apple home hub expected 13 October	MacRumors	folded into the Apple item
selected	50	Note on Microsoft MXC	dsebastien.net	folded into the sandboxes item as the caveat
selected	48	LichtFeld Studio 0.5.4	Radiance Fields	folded into the splats item
selected	48	OPPO collar-worn always-on recorder	ToolNavs	folded into the lifelogs item
probe	64	What mathematicians should know about Lean: reliability and AI (Hales)	Terence Tao's blog	new angle on the maths thread: can the checker itself be trusted
probe	60	Nuclear clocks finally see the light	Physics World	exploration: a precision-engineering milestone, outside the brief
probe	58	An AI accord, a new czar and an autonomous warfare command	Tech Policy Press	the week's Washington AI moves, odd and consequential; Dana's beat
probe	58	Germany's telescoping wind turbine becomes world's tallest	New Atlas	exploration: engineering and energy; Lukas's German industry beat
probe	56	Opus 5.5 agents find two room-temperature magnetic semiconductor candidates	Vals AI	agents doing real science, honestly hedged; Kirsty's beat
probe	54	HUMXN: free home repairs in exchange for robot training footage	HUMXN	exploration: where home-robot training data will come from
probe	52	First thorium-229 nuclear clocks: expert reactions	Science Media Centre Spain	folded into the nuclear clocks item
probe	52	Nobel Prize in Physics 2026: IceCube	NobelPrize.org	exploration: the science Nobels in one item
probe	50	Musk pledges SpaceXSI rebrand after Super Intelligence order	Tom's Hardware	folded into the Washington item
probe	48	Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2026	NobelPrize.org	folded into the Nobels item
probe	48	Medicine Nobel for optogenetics	Scientific American	folded into the Nobels item
probe	45	Nobel physics popular information	NobelPrize.org	folded into the Nobels item
cut	58	The remaining shortcomings of coding agents	Niels Mündler (nielstron)	decent experiment but thin; lost to stronger agent items
cut	55	Empty tool_calls with reasoning_content in vLLM	Particula Tech	useful gotcha; lost for room
cut	54	The missing map of the sky	Anthropic	neat provenance-marking in science; lost for room
cut	54	DeepSeek and Huawei release open-source Ascend tools	Tom's Hardware	China's stack moving off CUDA; lost for room
cut	54	Magnitude: on-device kernel tuning	GitHub	would serve in a longer edition; lost for room
cut	50	A flexible neon t-shirt with LED filaments	BezBlog	fun maker build; lost to the illustrated-house item for the light slot
cut	50	Sceye's stratospheric cell tower	New Atlas	good probe, lost for room
rejected	60	We run 21 AI agents... still no good AI account executive	SaaStr	unreadable (429); its argument used, attributed, in the sales-agents item

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rejected	55	Claude Code 2.1.296: Sonnet 5.5 cache reads halved, subagent compaction	GitHub (Anthropic)	incremental; key points too small for an item
rejected	55	Cursor Remote Control for local agents	Cursor	Cursor remote control was judged and rejected last edition; nothing new
rejected	55	PayPal put Agentforce on 8,000 leads a month	SaaStr	unreadable and no readable second source
rejected	52	LightOnOCR-3	Hugging Face (LightOn)	incremental OCR release; thin for the brief
rejected	52	Codex 0.162: managed Git worktrees, task pinning	GitHub (OpenAI)	incremental release
rejected	52	OX Security: 15,465 MCP servers, no governance	RuntimeWire	MCP security month served last edition; potential exposure only
rejected	52	Google RRSI: self-improving harnesses that don't memorise the test	The Decoder	research result, secondary report, modest gains
rejected	50	NVIDIA Nemotron at IOI and IMO 2026	Hugging Face (NVIDIA)	competition scores, little practical consequence this week
rejected	50	20VC x SaaStr: OpenAI \$70B run rate, Anthropic IPO talk, Vercel agents deploy half	SaaStr	podcast chatter on revenues and valuations; facts used as leads only
rejected	50	pocketty: iPhone terminal that pings when an agent is blocked	pocketty	product page, not saved as an article by the desk; mentioned only as context in the OSC item is not possible - rejected
rejected	50	Scaling and benchmarking a critical message bus	Jane Street	good writeup but engine internals, low interest
rejected	50	OpenAI agent accessed credentials via Medicare data portal	iNews	rogue-agent saga served in depth; no substantial development
rejected	50	Exposing a GitHub token in a public repository	OpenAI Alignment	May incident; rogue-agent saga saturated
rejected	50	Senate hearing on rogue AI agents	Tech Policy Press	saga served 2026-10-05
rejected	50	GitLab AI Gateway sandbox escape CVE-2026-90970	Tech Insider	patch notice; little lesson beyond 'patch'
rejected	50	Google pauses OSS bug bounty over AI slop reports	The Hacker News	unreadable; snippet only
rejected	50	Goodfire: models know when they're reward hacking	Goodfire	September; folded context only
rejected	50	Anthropic could start IPO roadshow week of 9 November	Implicator	valuation and IPO timing, little technical substance for Steve
rejected	50	Semiconductor market heads for \$2 trillion	eeNews Europe	macro chip figures; used as context only
rejected	50	OpenAI's safety crisis keeps getting worse	The Decoder	firing story judged last edition; open letter a small step
rejected	48	The State of the AI SDR 2026	Laxis	vendor compilation, June, unsourced internal benchmarks
rejected	48	What should we tell our students?	Terence Tao's blog	maths thread served twice; soft essay
rejected	48	Keyboard differences between Windows and Macs	Unsung (Marcin Wichary)	reference, not news
rejected	48	GitHub's purpose-built leaked-secret detection model	GitHub	incremental product feature
rejected	48	PoeLLM malware hits exposed Ollama and LiteLLM servers	The Hacker News	unreadable; figures disagree across outlets
rejected	48	The model that didn't exist, so you made it yourself	Hugging Face	thin

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rejected	48	OpenAI revenue near \$50B, not \$70B	The Decoder	revenue accounting; judged as near-miss last edition
rejected	48	EU AI Act Newsletter #112	Future of Life Institute	process news, no decision
rejected	48	UK wants to lead on AI safety	Tech Policy Press	rhetoric, no decision
rejected	48	Tesla Robotaxi expands hours; Musk on seeing pets at night	Teslarati	incremental
rejected	48	Pulumi: bring your Terraform estate into the agentic era	Pulumi	August vendor post
rejected	46	October 2026 sky: Orionids, Mars in the Beehive	Universe Space Tech	generic sky guide; astronomy interest only a little
rejected	46	No man is an island	Fernando Borretti	well written but no so-what
rejected	46	ASML sells absolutely nothing in Europe	Tom's Hardware	September; curiosity
rejected	46	Sea monkeys rewrite a rule of turbulence	Quanta	academic in Steve's sense
rejected	45	vLLM v0.31.0	GitHub	routine release; nothing for a Mac user
rejected	45	Stanford canaries update: 19% gap for young workers	AI Weekly	secondary and August; folded as context into the Barr item
rejected	45	WMO: Earth has hottest August on record	WMO	a month old; August story judged before; nothing new
rejected	45	Home Assistant Cloud becomes Home Assistant Link	Home Assistant	a rename; HA 2026.10 served last edition
rejected	45	OpenAI, the Partition Principle, and Mathematics	Asaf Karagila	more of the backlash served last edition
rejected	45	History of the Hetzner Cloud network stack	Hetzner	cloud ops internals, low interest
rejected	45	LittleBit: sub-1-bit LLM compression	GitHub (Samsung)	research code, no runnable consequence yet
rejected	45	Programming isn't special	Glyph	opinion, no practical handle
rejected	45	rgpu: remote NVIDIA GPU as a PyTorch device from a Mac	GitHub	tiny early project, insecure by default
rejected	45	zerobrew: faster Homebrew client	GitHub	experimental tool; marginal
rejected	45	The Witcher's final season reportedly slips to 2027	What's on Netflix	unconfirmed delay of a loved show; not worth airtime
rejected	45	A new blog feature built using my voice	Simon Willison	slight
rejected	45	An agent used DNS to reach an external chatbot	OpenAI Alignment	story judged last edition; no new development
rejected	45	Unpatched LMCACHE RCE	The Hacker News	unreadable (403); snippet only
rejected	45	ElevenLabs Eleven v4 on OpenRouter	OpenRouter	listing only, no announcement found
rejected	45	GLM-5.3 and the spread of cyber capabilities	Anthropic	Lambert's rebuttal served last edition; September
rejected	45	140% revenue growth with 1.25 humans in sales	Stack Archive	March, AI-assisted secondary write-up; context only
rejected	45	OpenAI fired three safety researchers	Let's Data Science	judged last edition; no new development
rejected	45	Agents trigger more than half of Vercel deployments	Startup Fortune	July, conflicting figures
rejected	45	SpaceX seeks \$40B debt for Nvidia hardware	Tom's Hardware	financing report
rejected	45	Frontier models beat analysts on earnings prediction	Samaya	vendor claim, finance niche
rejected	45	Langfuse September update	Langfuse	product update

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rejected	45	Buffer's /pricing.md for agents	PricingSaaS	April
rejected	45	Thinking of using AI with Terraform (DataTalks.Club destroy postmortem)	Gruntwork	not read; February
rejected	44	Holocron: backup of last resort	SMYCK	stale, slight
rejected	44	Wing and Walmart add Denver and Seattle	DroneXL	incremental expansion
rejected	44	Cement-based supercapacitor	New Atlas	early lab demo
rejected	42	Pre-COP in Fiji: implementation accelerator ahead of COP31	PINA	diplomatic process news, little substance for Steve's climate strands
rejected	42	CRAM compressed memory for Linux	Tom's Hardware	kernel internals, low interest
rejected	42	ChatGPT & Codex changelog: GPT-5.5 retires 14 Oct	OpenAI	product housekeeping
rejected	42	LakeQA benchmark	Columbia DAPLab	June; benchmark page only
rejected	42	EU KIDS Act and AI companions	Tech Policy Press	proposal analysis, off-core
rejected	42	EU and China deal over cars and rare earths	Euronews	trade politics, off-brief
rejected	42	China stockpiled 343 immersion DUV tools	Tom's Hardware	unverifiable estimate
rejected	42	Docker Agent	GitHub	stale, undated repo
rejected	42	Comcast and Booz Allen use Claude Mythos	Claude blog	vendor case study; cyber programme story rejected twice
rejected	42	GitLab: 400 basis points of AI margin cost	SaaStr	stale
rejected	42	Learning grammars for constrained decoding	arXiv	stale
rejected	42	AstaBrief	Ai2	stale; thin
rejected	42	11,000 drones over Texas	DroneDJ	stale
rejected	42	Waymo safety research on night crashes	Waymo	company advocacy research
rejected	42	Tesla opens 14 Semi Megacharger stalls in Georgia	Electrek	Semi thread served last edition; incremental
rejected	40	Ollama 0.40.1-0.40.2	GitHub	point release after 0.40 served last edition; no substantial development
rejected	40	HF trending: Qwen-Image-2.1-Turbo, ternary 27B GGUF quants	Hugging Face	listing, no single story worth an item
rejected	40	Dots and Question Marks (Stratechery, via Teahose summary)	Teahose	summary of a summary; Dev Day already served
rejected	40	Salesforce expands consumption pricing for Agentforce	Let's Data Science	August; agent pricing thread served last edition
rejected	40	Bowen defends Australia's climate role amid coal exports	PINA	politics; thin
rejected	40	Ofgem: price cap rises 4% from October	Ofgem	August announcement, already in force; old news
rejected	40	\$1.8B for AI-ready biological data	Biohub	funding announcement
rejected	40	Yes, and...	htmx	February essay
rejected	40	Bremont Supermarine Full Ceramic Deep Blue	SJX Watches	routine watch launch
rejected	40	My recent woodworking projects	Tim White	pleasant but slight

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rejected	40	OpenAI rogue agents on Wikimedia	Simon Willison	judged last edition; no new development
rejected	40	Wikimedia: OpenAI agents tried to compromise Etherpad	The Record	judged last edition; no new development
rejected	40	Transluce: early rogue agent activity	Transluce	September; saga served
rejected	40	Adversa: coding agent vulnerabilities October 2026	Adversa AI	digest; items served or selected individually
rejected	40	Cymulate: zero-click RCE via prompt injection	Cymulate	June
rejected	40	Transluce: agents targeted US and Canadian government sites	Transluce	rogue-agent saga served
rejected	40	GlobalFoundries to make CoWoS interposers for TSMC	Tom's Hardware	supply-chain detail
rejected	40	Mistral opens Munich hub	Mistral	September PR
rejected	40	Microsoft FrogNano-4B	Hugging Face	stale
rejected	40	AstroHelm	AstroHelm	product page; stale
rejected	40	FAA test-site grants; Part 108 stuck at OIRA	DroneXL	process news
rejected	40	Crew-13 record docking	Teslarati	minor record
rejected	40	Snap Specs hands-on	UploadVR	judged before
rejected	40	Waddington's landscape comes into its own	Quanta	academic
rejected	40	Sponge-inspired metamaterials	New Atlas	lab result
rejected	40	Ring engraved with the Lighthouse of Alexandria	Live Science	pleasant but slight
rejected	38	How to sell to AI buyers in 2026	Darwin AI	vendor marketing, unsourced
rejected	38	Raspberry Pi Desktop for PC and Mac	Raspberry Pi	niche; no Apple Silicon
rejected	38	jevman: Pac-Man benchmark for decision models	Opper AI	no results captured; game benchmark
rejected	38	Slow Horses season 6 airing	9to5Mac	mid-shelf for Steve; watchlist says retry season 2, not 6
rejected	38	ShinyHunters extorted Boeing spin-off before arrests	Krebs on Security	crime story, off-brief
rejected	38	Former Groq engineers sue over Nvidia deal	Tom's Hardware	corporate litigation
rejected	38	Nippon Life v. OpenAI	Tech Policy Press	niche litigation
rejected	38	Nikkei: Apple cuts iPhone 18 Pro orders	MacRumors	supply-chain report
rejected	38	Arize AX September updates	Arize	product update
rejected	38	Jeddah Tower nears halfway	New Atlas	progress update
rejected	35	HubSpot Breeze outcome pricing	Resolve247	stale
rejected	35	Hackaday podcast 390 (Alexa removes aux port)	Hackaday	roundup; nothing substantial
rejected	35	Tunisia eclipse: up to 10 million visitors	La Presse via allAfrica	April piece, same story rejected in three earlier runs
rejected	35	AHM statement on OpenAI's release	Association for Human Mathematics	backlash served last edition
rejected	35	Oxide's \$445M Series D	Oxide	funding round
rejected	35	Pyramid-JiT	Linum	image-gen research, off-brief
rejected	35	Float and integer arithmetic follow two paradigms	blog.pkh.me	niche

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rejected	35	Amp Chronicle: many Pucks	Amp	listing only, thin
rejected	35	Factory news	Factory	listing only
rejected	35	Victoria Kim quote: OpenAI monitoring for immediate intervention	Simon Willison	duplicate of iNews Medicare story
rejected	35	Zvi: New maths from OpenAI	Zvi Mowshowitz	maths thread served
rejected	35	September 2026 US tech policy roundup	Tech Policy Press	roundup
rejected	35	DJI Neo 3 leaks	DroneXL	rumour
rejected	35	Dynatrace completes Arize acquisition	GovConWire	M&A
rejected	35	Every agent needs a box (Levie)	Latent Space	March
rejected	30	Mistral Large 4 (weights due by end of October)	Mistral AI	served last edition; no substantial development
rejected	30	TNW: Mistral Large 4 weights 27 October	TNW	duplicate of https://mistral.ai/news/mistral-large-4/ ; story served
rejected	30	VKTR on Reflection Beam	VKTR	duplicate of https://reflection.ai/blog/introducing-beam (served)
rejected	30	The road to agentic commerce	The Paypers	January background piece
rejected	30	Bowen at Pre-COP31	PINA	duplicate of the PINA pre-COP story
rejected	30	Raspberry Pi Smart Display Module	Raspberry Pi	signage product, off-brief
rejected	30	C3S August bulletin	Copernicus	judged before; a month old
rejected	30	Fallout season 3 filming	The Week	no date
rejected	30	Hot-patching an already hot-patched function	The Old New Thing	niche
rejected	30	Pi system theme	Earendil	cosmetic
rejected	30	iRhythm breach	The Record	routine breach
rejected	30	DeepSeek builds for Huawei Ascend	Geopolitechs	duplicate of the Tom's Hardware Ascend story
rejected	30	Starship Flight 15 NET 8 November (CADENA)	BASENOR	no new development
rejected	30	LangSmith release notes	releases.sh	changelog
rejected	30	AI release tracker October 2026	No Code MBA	tracker; trail only
rejected	30	Apple planning a second October event	Gadget Review	duplicate of MacRumors 27 October report
rejected	30	Junk-food effect in damselfish	New Atlas	off-brief
rejected	30	First Dynasty retainer sacrifice	Live Science	off-brief
rejected	30	Roman temple to Mars at Kapersburg	Live Science	off-brief
rejected	25	Tor on its relationship with Mullvad	Tor Project	politics of a sponsor
rejected	25	Netflix UK October 2026	What's on Netflix	listing; nothing for Steve beyond the served Diplomat date
rejected	25	Aleph Alpha and Mistral launches	Renascence	thin
rejected	20	Introducing Personal Agent Protocol	Sierra	already served; no new development
rejected	20	TNW on Personal Agent Protocol	TNW	duplicate of https://sierra.ai/blog/introducing-personal-agent-protocol (served)
rejected	20	Constellation on PAP	Constellation Research	duplicate of https://sierra.ai/blog/introducing-personal-agent-protocol (served)
rejected	20	openai/math repository	GitHub	served last edition
rejected	20	Ideas aren't getting harder to find	Experimental History	2022

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rejected	20	Severance season 3	9to5Mac	no news
rejected	20	House of the Dragon S3	TheWrap	already aired; not on his list
rejected	20	FabCon Europe announcements	Kanerika	duplicate of the FabCon story served
rejected	20	Optimus ramp	Electrek	already served
rejected	20	Splash Engine for Qwen on Apple Silicon	LM Studio	already served
rejected	20	ElevenLabs v4 and v4 Turbo	TestingCatalog	already served
rejected	20	Everything announced at Meta Connect 2026	Engadget	already served
rejected	15	Bevy 0.20	Bevy	games out
rejected	10	C3S news index: September bulletin not yet out	Copernicus	status check only
rejected	10	NSIDC Sea Ice Today	NSIDC	already served
rejected	10	The Neuron 9 Oct	The Neuron	digest used as trail only
rejected	10	Starship Flight 14 splashdown	Spaceflight Now	already served