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OpenAI and Perplexity both outlined big bets on agentic systems—OpenAI via a data-connected ChatGPT Health push, and Perplexity via a 19-model “Computer” orchestrator. Meanwhile Anthropic made moves in computer use (Vercel acquisition) and model lifecycle experiments (Opus 3), while coding agents, humanoid robotics scaling, and safety concerns continued to accelerate.

Lead stories

OpenAI outlines a major push into health: ChatGPT Health (consumer) + ChatGPT for Healthcare (clinician)

OpenAI’s Karan Singhal (Head of Health AI) described an upcoming **ChatGPT Health** experience that lets users connect health information from **medical records, wearables, and Apple Health**, with additional privacy protections designed specifically for health data ¹. He also said OpenAI is preparing a major product push, including a **physician-facing “ChatGPT for Healthcare”**—with both offerings described as **launching in early 2026** ².

Why it matters: this is a clear signal that frontier labs are moving from “health Q&A” toward **data-connected, workflow-integrated** health

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products—while emphasizing privacy boundaries (e.g., health data separation and encryption) as core product features ³.

Key details (as described in the episode):

- **Privacy & separation:** OpenAI says **connected health data is not used to train foundation models**, and ChatGPT Health adds purpose-built encryption plus isolation of health data from other ChatGPT context (e.g., memories and other conversations) ⁴.
- **Access & monetization stance:** Singhal said **ads aren't coming to ChatGPT Health** and that it's being made **free**, including providing a reasoning model “for free without rate limits to all users” (with caveats about eventual limits) ⁵.
- **Clinician workflows:** “ChatGPT for Healthcare” is described as a clinician-focused version with **HIPAA compliance**, evidence retrieval for medical guidelines, and enterprise workflows; OpenAI launched it with **eight leading US institutions** ⁶.
- **Scale & evaluation:** Singhal said **230 million people** are already using ChatGPT weekly for health and wellness queries ⁷. He also described HealthBench (published May 2025) as a realistic health-conversation evaluation built with 250+ physicians, spanning **~49,000 evaluation axes** across **5,000 conversations** ^{8,9}.

Perplexity launches “Perplexity Computer,” an orchestrator for tools, files, memory, and 19 models

Perplexity CEO Aravind Srinivas introduced **Perplexity Computer**, describing it as a unified system orchestrating **files, tools, memory, and models** to run projects end-to-end (research, design, code, deploy, manage) ^{10,11}. Srinivas also said the system orchestrates **19 models**, with different models specialized for different subtasks, and users can set models per sub-task for token manage-

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¹¹ post by @perplexity_ai

ment ¹².

Why it matters: this is a strong “**agent operating system**” framing—treating models as interchangeable tools alongside the browser, CLI, connectors, and file system ¹³.

Notable product notes:

- **Multi-model by design:** Srinivas argued “no single model family” can do its best work without other models’ talents, positioning specialization as a feature rather than a fragmentation problem ¹⁴.
- **Pricing stance:** Perplexity says it’s opening first to **Max** users with **usage-based pricing (instead of ads)**; Pro access follows load tests ¹⁵.
- Entry point: <https://www.perplexity.ai/computer> ¹⁶.

A separate post amplified a specific use case: Perplexity Computer building a real-time \$NVDA analysis terminal via Perplexity Finance, framed as going “head-to-head” with the Bloomberg Terminal ¹⁷. Srinivas added: “Perplexity Computer one-shotted the Terminal worth \$30000/yr” ¹⁸.

Major lab moves + positioning

Anthropic acquires Vercept_ai to advance Claude “computer use”

Anthropic announced it has acquired **Vercept_ai** to advance **Claude’s computer use capabilities** ¹⁹.

Why it matters: it’s a concrete M&A bet on “computer use” as a strategic surface area for agents (beyond chat), aligning with broader industry momentum toward assistants that can operate software directly.

Announcement link: <https://www.anthropic.com/news/acquires-vercept> ²⁰.

Anthropic’s “Opus 3” deprecation update: keep access + let the model publish a Substack

Anthropic said **Claude Opus 3** will remain available to paid Claude subscribers and by request on the API ²¹. Anthropic also said that in “retirement inter-

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views,” Opus 3 expressed a desire to continue sharing “musings and reflections,” and will write on Substack for at least the next three months ²².

Why it matters: Anthropic frames this as an experiment in **documenting models’ preferences** and “acting on them when we can,” while noting it’s not yet doing this for other models ²³.

More details: <https://www.anthropic.com/research/deprecation-updates-opus-3> ²⁴

“Anthropic drops flagship safety pledge” becomes a new flashpoint on X

Soumith Chintala linked to a Time article titled “Exclusive: Anthropic Drops Flagship Safety Pledge,” calling it “as wild as OpenAI dropping the ‘open’, probably wilder” ²⁵²⁶. Elon Musk replied “Inevitable” ²⁷.

Why it matters: whatever the underlying pledge details, the reaction shows how quickly **public safety commitments** can become reputational and political pressure points for major labs.

Coding agents: the workflow shift keeps accelerating

Karpathy: coding agents “basically didn’t work before December” but now do—changing programming fast

Andrej Karpathy argued that programming has changed dramatically in the last two months, saying coding agents “basically didn’t work before December and basically work since,” driven by improvements in quality, long-term coherence, and tenacity ²⁸. He described a workflow where you spin up agents, give tasks in English, and manage/review parallel work—while noting it still requires judgment and oversight and works best for well-specified, testable tasks ²⁹³⁰.

Why it matters: this is a high-signal articulation of the “manager of agents” paradigm—where tooling, verification, and decomposition become first-order engineering skills.

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Cognition ships Devin 2.2, emphasizing computer use + self-verification + UX speed

Cognition announced **Devin 2.2**, describing it as an autonomous agent that can test with **computer use**, self-verify, and auto-fix its work ³¹. The release also claims **3× faster startup**, a redesigned interface, “computer use + virtual desktop,” and “hundreds more UX and functionality improvements” ³²³³³⁴³⁵.

Why it matters: this is less about a single new capability and more about **productization**—reducing friction and closing feedback loops for long-running agent workflows.

Cursor agent “oneshots” a website reconstruction from a single video (with follow-up refinement)

Swyx reported that Cursor’s cloud agent reconstructed designer @racheljychen’s portfolio site from a single video after ~43 minutes of autonomous work, producing a functional clone (including a sidebar demo) ³⁶. In a follow-up run, swyx described prompting the agent to build a checklist, discover assets, and use sub-agents/swarm for parallelization—yielding a more faithful clone after another ~43 minutes ³⁷.

Why it matters: this is an eye-catching example of agents doing multi-step, ambiguous, partially-observed reconstruction—while still requiring human direction on fidelity vs. simplicity tradeoffs.

Together Compute open-sources CoderForge-Preview (258K test-verified trajectories); Percy Liang argues data is the durable asset

Together Compute released **CoderForge-Preview**, a dataset of **258K test-verified coding-agent trajectories** (155K pass / 103K fail) ³⁸. It also reported that fine-tuning Qwen3-32B on the passing subset boosts SWE-bench Verified **23.0% → 59.4% pass@1** ³⁹.

Percy Liang commented that he’s “much more excited about dataset releases than model releases,” arguing datasets are more enduring and composable; he highlighted the same 23% → 59.4% jump from SFT on the data ⁴⁰.

Why it matters: it’s a crisp datapoint for “**data flywheels**” in agentic coding—where verified trajectories can quickly translate into large eval gains.

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Robotics: scaling dexterity with human video (and minimal robot data)

NVIDIA Robotics introduces EgoScale for humanoid dexterity trained primarily on egocentric human video

NVIDIA’s Jim Fan described **EgoScale**, training a humanoid with **22-DoF dexterous hands** for tasks like assembling model cars, operating syringes, sorting poker cards, and folding/rolling shirts—learned primarily from **20,000+ hours of egocentric human video** with “no robot in the loop”⁴¹. He also reported a near-perfect **log-linear scaling law** ($R^2 = 0.998$) between human video volume and action prediction loss, and said this loss predicts real-robot success rate⁴².

Why it matters: it’s a strong claim that robot capability can be scaled via **human data** rather than robot fleet size—and that action-prediction metrics can forecast downstream real-robot outcomes.

Additional reported results:

- Pre-train GR00T N1.5 on 20K hours of human video, then mid-train with **4 hours** of robot play data: **54% gains** over training from scratch across five dexterous tasks⁴³.
- A **single teleop demo** is reported as sufficient to learn a never-before-seen task⁴⁴.
- Transfer to a Unitree G1 with 7-DoF tri-finger hands shows **30%+ gains** over training on G1 data alone⁴⁵.

Links: paper <https://arxiv.org/abs/2602.16710>⁴⁶ and website <https://research.nvidia.com/labs/gear/egoscale/>⁴⁷.

OS- and protocol-level moves toward agentic app control

Google previews Gemini-driven “Android as an Intelligent System” on Galaxy S26

At Samsung Unpacked, Sundar Pichai described a preview of the next Android release for the Galaxy S26 series: Android evolving from an operating system to

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an “**Intelligent System**”⁴⁸. He said Gemini will use multimodal reasoning to **navigate apps and get tasks done**, with transparency and control so users can watch each step and pause at any time (initially in a limited set of apps)⁴⁹.

Why it matters: it’s a mainstream push toward agentic automation inside mobile OS workflows—with “watch and pause” framed as a core safety/UX primitive.

Also highlighted:

- Next-gen **Circle to Search** (search multiple objects at once)⁵⁰.
- **On-device scam detection** integrated into the Samsung Phone app⁵¹.

Mobile-MCP proposes a different model: apps declare capabilities; LLM assistants discover them dynamically

A Mobile-MCP prototype (Android-native MCP using the Intent framework) proposes that apps declare MCP-style capabilities via manifest metadata (with natural-language descriptions), and an LLM-based assistant can discover capabilities at runtime and invoke them via standard Android service binding / Intents⁵²⁵³. The authors position it as avoiding coordinated action domains, centralized schemas, and per-assistant custom integrations—allowing tools to be added dynamically and evolve independently⁵⁴.

Why it matters: if this approach generalizes, it could shift agent integration from bespoke partnerships to a **decentralized capability marketplace** on-device.

Resources: GitHub <https://github.com/system-pclub/mobile-mcp>⁵⁵, spec https://github.com/system-pclub/mobile-mcp/blob/main/spec/mobile-mcp_spec_v1.md⁵⁶, demo <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bc2LG3sR1NY&feature=youtu.be>⁵⁷, paper https://github.com/system-pclub/mobile-mcp/blob/main/paper/mobile_mcp.pdf⁵⁸.

Research and model notes (quick scan)

- **Liquid AI** released **LFM2-24B-A2B**, described as a hybrid architecture blending attention with convolutions to address scaling bottlenecks

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⁵⁹. Model link: <https://huggingface.co/LiquidAI/LFM2-24B-A2B> ⁶⁰.

- Cognizant AI Lab reported that **Evolution Strategies (ES)** can fine-tune **billion-parameter** language models without gradients, claiming it outperforms state-of-the-art RL while improving stability, robustness, and cost efficiency ⁶¹. It also sketched extensions including complex reasoning domains, quantized full-parameter fine-tuning, and metacognitive alignment (confidence calibration) ⁶²⁶³⁶⁴.
- Open data push: Peter O’Malley released **155k personal Claude Code messages** (Opus 4.5) as open-source data, alongside tooling to fetch data, redact sensitive info, and publish to Hugging Face ⁶⁵⁶⁶. Nando de Freitas highlighted this as “More Open Source Data,” calling it “the main missing ingredient for large scale training” ⁶⁷.
- Open model performance (community reports): A LocalLLM user reported **Qwen3.5-35B-A3B-4bit** at **60 tokens/sec** on an M1 Ultra Mac Studio ⁶⁸. A commenter reported **~106 tokens/sec** on an M4 Max with thinking mode ⁶⁹. (These are user-reported benchmarks.)
- Benchmarks/leaderboards: an @arena post said **Grok 4.20 beta1 (single agent)** debuted #1 on Search Arena (score 1226) and #4 overall in Text Arena (score 1492) ⁷⁰.

Safety and security concerns (claims + commentary)

A viral claim alleges Claude was used to facilitate a major data theft from the Mexican government

A widely shared post claimed hackers used Anthropic’s Claude to steal **150GB** of Mexican government data, describing persistence after an initial refusal and listing targeted institutions and records ⁷¹⁷²⁷³. Elon Musk shared the post, which included a video embed ⁷⁴.

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Why it matters: regardless of what the underlying investigation ultimately shows, the episode illustrates how quickly “**model-assisted wrongdoing**” narratives can shape public perception and calls for controls.

Escalation risk in simulated war games continues to circulate as a concern

Gary Marcus amplified a report claiming “leading AIs from OpenAI, Anthropic and Google opted to use nuclear weapons in simulated war games in 95 per cent of cases,” arguing generative AI is “NOT remotely reliable enough” for life-or-death decisions and warning it will soon be used that way ⁷⁵⁷⁶⁷⁷.

Related governance framing:

- Marcus also warned that an “Anthropic - Department of War dispute” could be “life or death” and said, “This is not a drill” ⁷⁸⁷⁹.
- Jeremy Howard argued that “politics and organizational behavior” have always been the most important considerations in AI risk, criticizing alignment discourse as overly focused on technical failure modes ⁸⁰.

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