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# Instant Soup: Cheap Pruning Ensembles in A Single Pass Can Draw Lottery Tickets from Large Models

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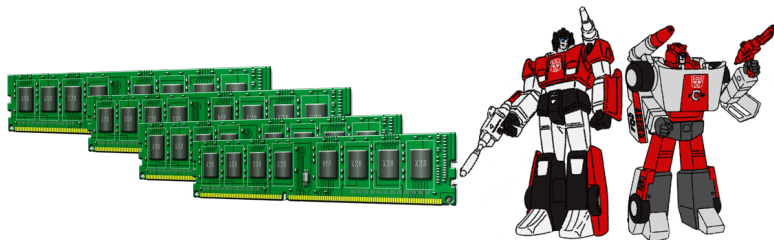
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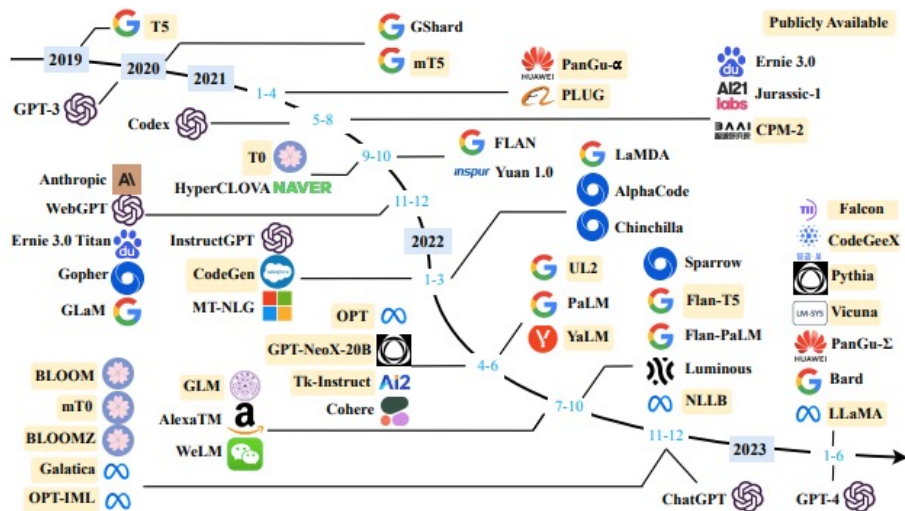
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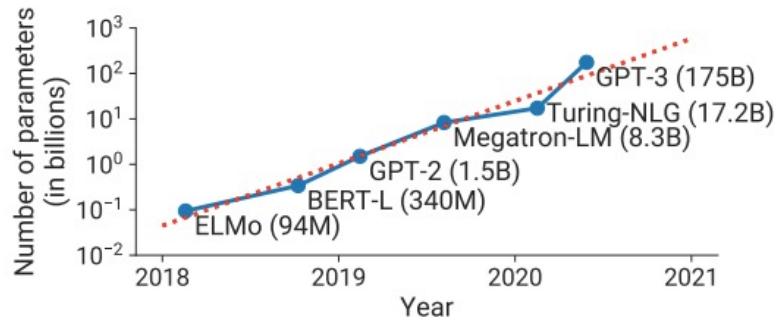
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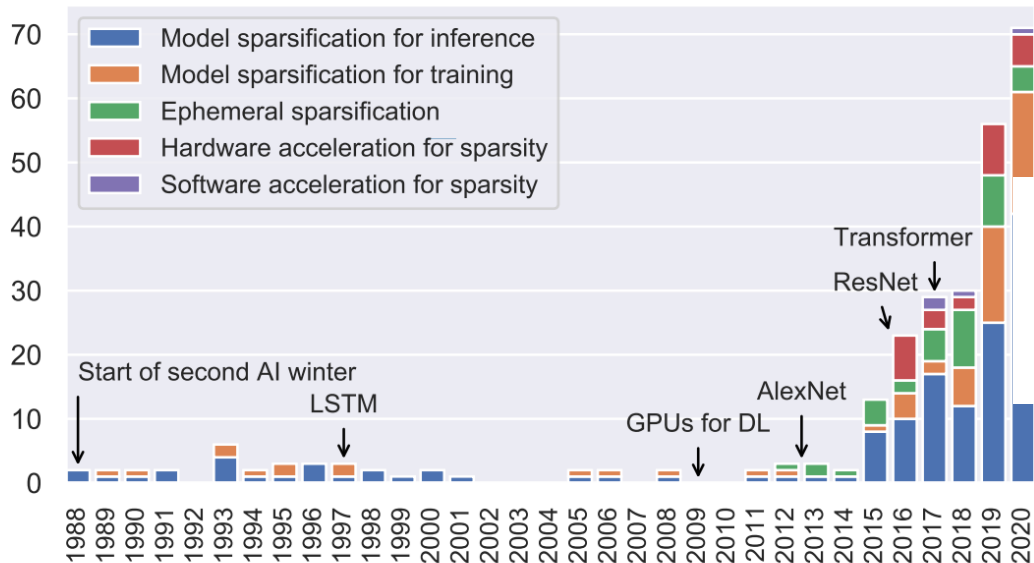


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## Sparse Neural Networks (SNNs) have received voluminous attention predominantly due to growing computational and memory in large-scale models....



### THE LOTTERY TICKET HYPOTHESIS: FINDING SPARSE, TRAINABLE NEURAL NETWORKS

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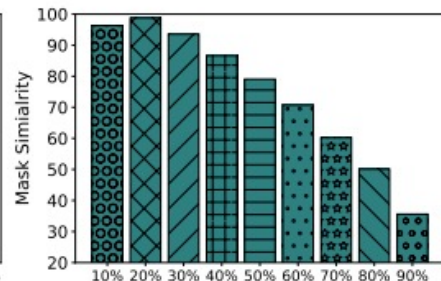
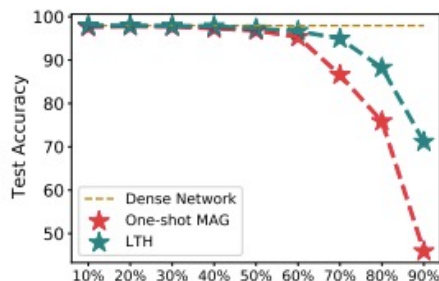
Fig. 1. Literature development of sparsity over the years.

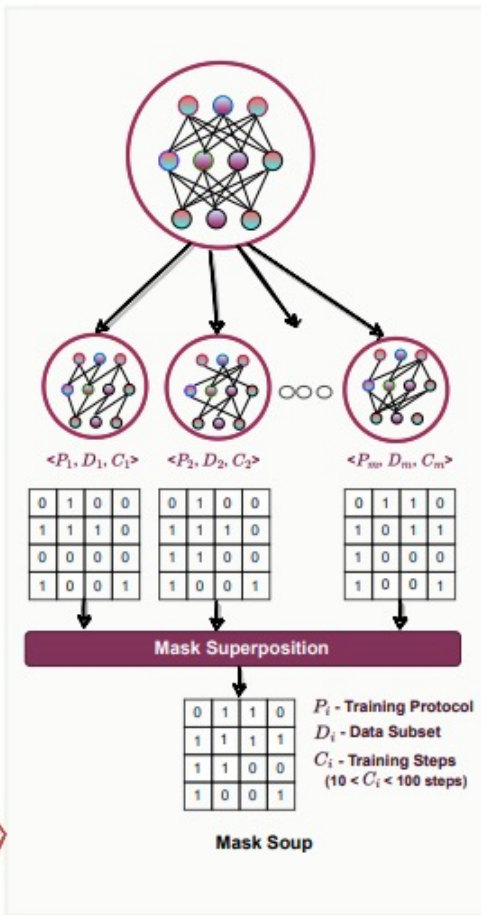
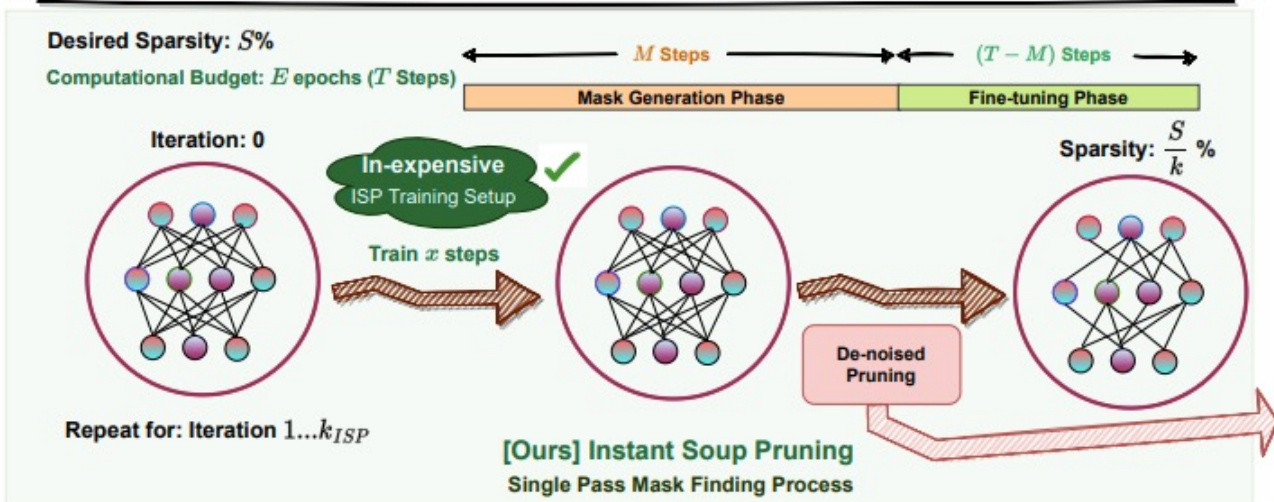
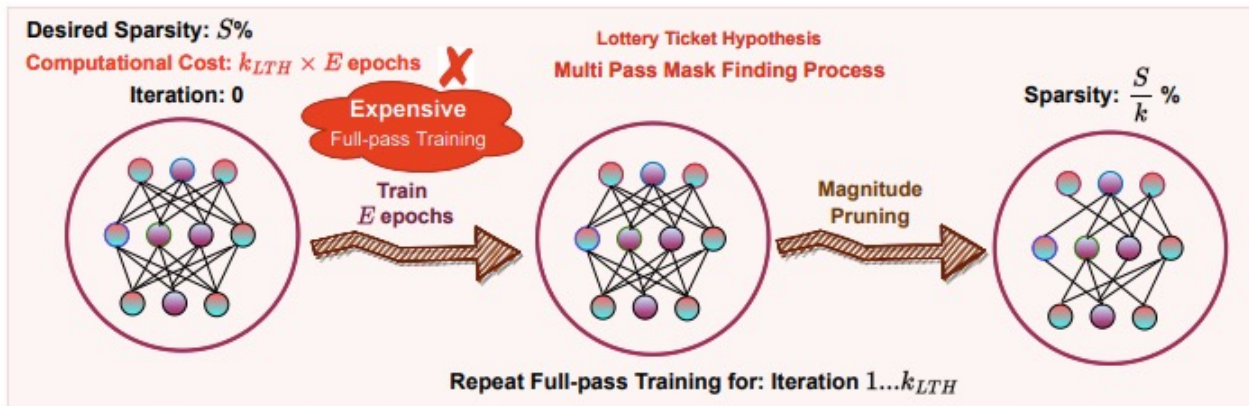
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# Question: as our models are getting huge(r) ...

Does there exist a principled and cheaper approach for fastly drawing high-quality lottery tickets in large pretrained models within a limited computational budget, while preserving its performance and transferability?





*Table 2.* Details of fine-tuning CLIP (ViT-B32) at varying sparsity levels using Instant Soup Pruning following the settings listed in Table 1. Learning rate decays linearly from the initial value to zero. The evaluation metrics follow standards in (Radford et al., 2021). Entries with errors are the average across three runs, and errors are the standard deviations. LTH results are obtained using IMP.

| Pruning Method                  | Cars                  |                       |                       | MNIST                 |                |                       | SVHN                  |                       |                       | GTSRB                 |                       |                       | CIFAR10               |                       |                       | CIFAR100              |                       |                       |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|                                 | 30%                   | 40%                   | 50%                   | 70%                   | 80%            | 90%                   | 70%                   | 80%                   | 90%                   | 50%                   | 60%                   | 70%                   | 60%                   | 70%                   | 80%                   | 60%                   | 70%                   | 80%                   |
| Full CLIP <sub>ViT-B32</sub>    | 76.43 ± 0.5           |                       |                       | 99.61 ± 0.07          |                |                       | 97.40 ± 0.11          |                       |                       | 99.08 ± 0.24          |                       |                       | 97.6 ± 0.24           |                       |                       | 89.35 ± 0.19          |                       |                       |
| Random                          | 9.11                  | 5.58                  | 4.47                  | 98.71                 | 97.42          | 87.04                 | 89.85                 | 85.61                 | 73.74                 | 93.76                 | 93.65                 | 90.97                 | 74.51                 | 69.84                 | 64.96                 | 45.20                 | 39.92                 | 43.24                 |
| One-shot [Mag]                  | 71.95                 | 68.07                 | 56.79                 | 99.27                 | 98.87          | 97.47                 | 95.02                 | 91.96                 | 85.76                 | 98.60                 | 97.84                 | 96.14                 | 95.31                 | 86.56                 | 75.85                 | 80.39                 | 63.18                 | 46.63                 |
| Progressive [Mag]               | 69.85                 | 68.62                 | 64.43                 | 99.52                 | 97.77          | 95.19                 | 95.78                 | 90.53                 | 85.75                 | 98.97                 | 97.57                 | 96.34                 | 95.25                 | 90.87                 | 78.11                 | 81.79                 | 70.53                 | 60.93                 |
| EarlyBird (You et al., 2019)    | 72.53                 | 70.76                 | 65.90                 | 99.38                 | 98.96          | 97.64                 | 96.34                 | 95.93                 | 87.02                 | 98.15                 | 98.19                 | 97.26                 | 96.06                 | 94.18                 | 86.84                 | 84.22                 | 76.79                 | 65.67                 |
| SNIP (Lee et al., 2018)         | 71.51                 | 68.79                 | 59.01                 | 99.25                 | 98.72          | 97.50                 | 95.33                 | 91.94                 | 82.98                 | 98.62                 | 97.95                 | 96.22                 | 95.01                 | 87.45                 | 76.12                 | 81.10                 | 62.89                 | 55.89                 |
| GraSP (Wang et al., 2020)       | 71.42                 | 68.55                 | 58.12                 | 99.30                 | 98.51          | 97.15                 | 95.09                 | 91.44                 | 84.72                 | 98.37                 | 97.42                 | 95.91                 | 95.20                 | 86.89                 | 75.88                 | 80.67                 | 66.31                 | 52.30                 |
| LTH (Frankle & Carbin, 2018)    | 73.97                 | 72.02                 | 66.12                 | 99.41                 | 99.38          | 98.22                 | 96.69                 | 95.28                 | 87.41                 | 98.71                 | 98.35                 | 97.79                 | 96.42                 | 94.91                 | 87.47                 | 84.25                 | 78.60                 | 65.38                 |
| LTH - Rewind                    | 74.28                 | 72.09                 | 66.07                 | 99.62                 | <b>99.64</b>   | 98.18                 | 96.72                 | 95.22                 | 87.47                 | 98.78                 | 98.36                 | 97.87                 | 96.53                 | 94.88                 | 87.28                 | 84.46                 | 78.62                 | 65.71                 |
| Lottery Pool (Yin et al., 2022) | 73.10                 | 70.53                 | 64.67                 | 99.25                 | 98.97          | 97.76                 | 96.54                 | 95.12                 | 87.29                 | 98.52                 | 98.30                 | 97.55                 | 96.14                 | 94.50                 | 87.11                 | 84.07                 | 78.21                 | 64.39                 |
| ISP [Ours]<br>(std.)            | <b>75.13</b><br>±0.34 | <b>72.20</b><br>±0.27 | <b>66.32</b><br>±0.82 | <b>99.69</b><br>±0.07 | 99.61<br>±0.15 | <b>98.82</b><br>±0.21 | <b>96.93</b><br>±0.08 | <b>96.46</b><br>±0.05 | <b>87.59</b><br>±0.11 | <b>99.06</b><br>±0.15 | <b>99.01</b><br>±0.29 | <b>98.52</b><br>±0.32 | <b>96.82</b><br>±0.15 | <b>95.18</b><br>±0.20 | <b>91.20</b><br>±0.14 | <b>85.11</b><br>±0.19 | <b>79.57</b><br>±0.22 | <b>71.09</b><br>±0.17 |

Table 3. Details of fine-tuning BERT (BASE) at varying sparsity levels using Instant Soup Pruning following the settings listed in Table 1. Learning rate decays linearly from the initial value to zero. The evaluation metrics follow standards in (Wolf et al., 2019). Entries with errors are the average across three runs, and errors are the standard deviations. LTH results are obtained using IMP.

| Dataset                   | MNLI               | QQP                | STS-B              | WNLI               | QNLI               | MPRC               | RTS                | SST-2              | CoLA        |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Sparsity                  | 70%                | 90%                | 50%                | 90%                | 70%                | 50%                | 60%                | 60%                | 50%         |
| Full BERT <sub>BASE</sub> | 82.4 ± 0.5         | 90.2 ± 0.5         | 88.4 ± 0.3         | 54.9 ± 1.2         | 89.1 ± 1.0         | 85.2 ± 0.1         | 66.2 ± 3.6         | 92.1 ± 0.1         | 54.5 ± 0.4  |
| Random                    | 67.5               | 76.3               | 21.0               | 53.5               | 61.9               | 69.6               | 56.0               | 83.1               | 9.6         |
| One-shot                  | 78.8               | 86.2               | 83.9               | 53.1               | 86.2               | 83.7               | 62.9               | 86.5               | 49.7        |
| Progressive               | 79.1               | 87.5               | 85.0               | 53.3               | 87.2               | 83.8               | 65.4               | 86.6               | 52.2        |
| EarlyBird                 | 82.5               | 89.4               | 88.1               | 54.0               | 88.5               | 84.6               | 66.1               | 91.2               | 53.5        |
| Lottery Ticket            | 82.6               | 90.0               | 88.2               | 54.9               | 88.9               | 84.9               | 65.0               | 91.9               | 53.8        |
| Lottery Pool              | 80.4               | 89.1               | 86.4               | 50.9               | 87.6               | 84.5               | 62.7               | 90.9               | 52.6        |
| ISP                       | <b>82.71 ± 0.6</b> | <b>90.59 ± 0.5</b> | <b>88.64 ± 0.1</b> | <b>55.33 ± 0.3</b> | <b>90.06 ± 1.0</b> | <b>85.38 ± 0.1</b> | <b>65.96 ± 0.3</b> | <b>92.43 ± 0.6</b> | 53.61 ± 0.2 |

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