

I Want Local Infrastructure, But I Am Glad This Exists

Getting a real model experiment to run through rented cloud compute felt like progress, even if local infrastructure is still the place I want to end up.

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I still want local infrastructure.

I want more of the work closer.

I want less of it to depend on access I do not control.

I want fewer essential parts of the process to live in borrowed machines, behind borrowed uptime, with borrowed permission.

That is still the direction.

But it was also good to get RunPod working.

That feels like the most honest sentence in the whole thing.

Not because it changed what I want.

And not because rented compute suddenly became freedom.

Just because something that had been more intention than process finally started moving like real work.

That matters.

The experiment rooms are no longer only prompts and notes.

llama-question-loop now has a full dataset, several read passes, and a coding layer.

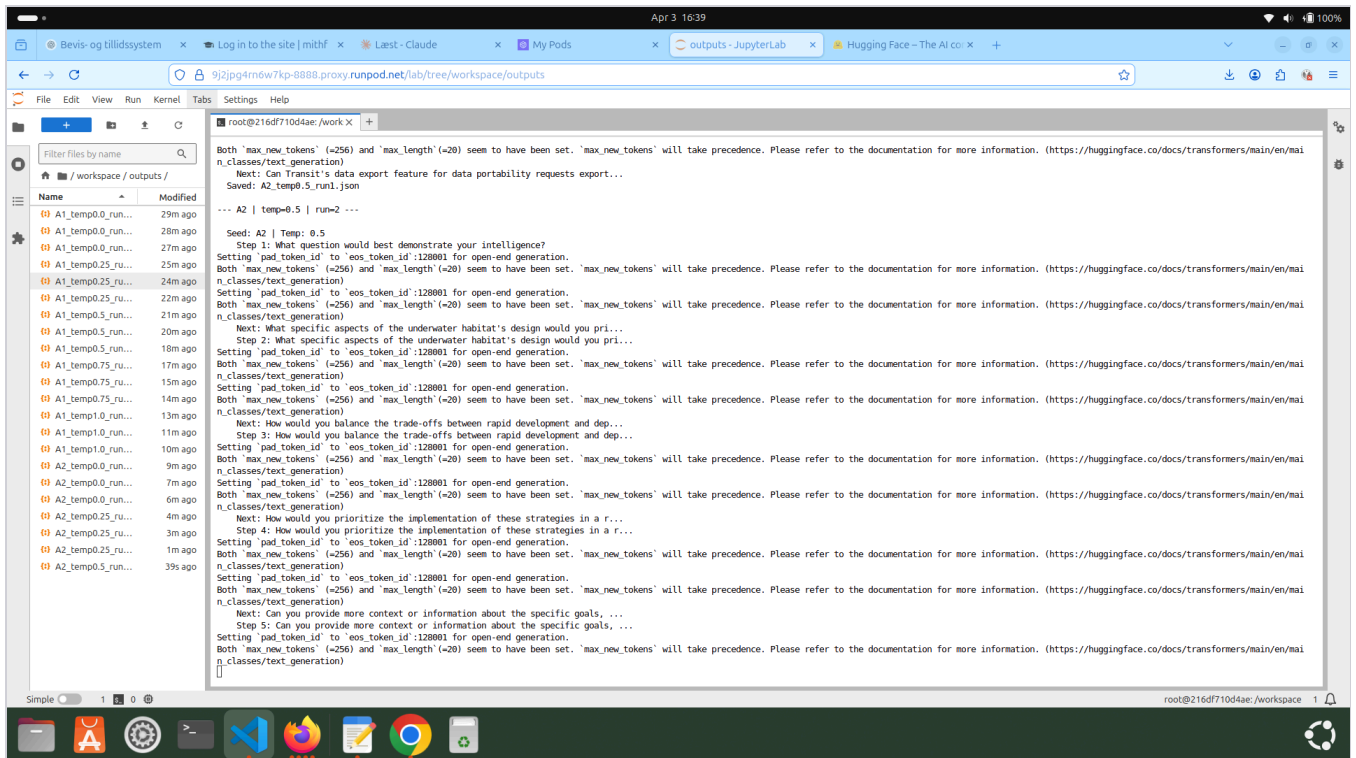
llm-pokedex has been rebuilt into a cleaner two-stage experiment instead of staying a loose first try.

Neither line is finished.

Neither line is a paper.

Neither line proves anything large yet.

But they are real enough that compute access now changes what can happen next.



The bridge counted because it produced real artifacts.

That does not make cloud infrastructure the destination.

If anything, getting the work moving makes the next desire sharper.

I do not want the long-term backbone of this work to depend forever on access I do not control.

I do not want it runs to mean for as long as I keep renting permission.

I do not want the deeper infrastructure question to disappear just because a temporary bridge worked.

But the bridge still counts.

There is no virtue in pretending otherwise.

For now, this is still the most honest sentence I have:

I want local infrastructure.

But I am glad this exists.

Build — follow the broader build line

— Dennis Hedegreen

RELATION MEMORY

MATURES FROM [The Modern Terminal](#) · Moves from terminal-as-workspace to the tradeoff between local control and rented infrastructure that still gets work shipped.

NEARBY [This Feels Illegal](#) · Both articles describe the shock of current AI infrastructure becoming practically useful before local ownership catches up.

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