DAILY BRIEF · WHAT AI ENGINEERS ARE BUILDING

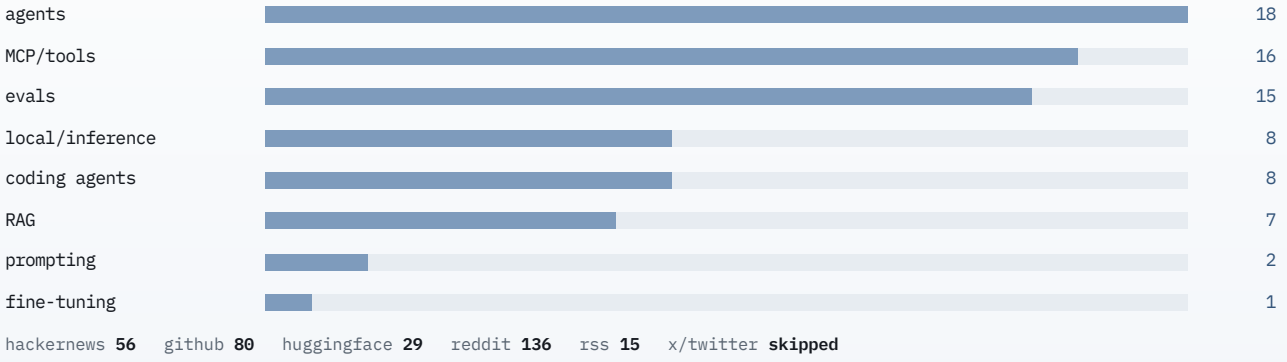
Today in AI engineering
2026-10-26

Daily AI-engineering signal (mechanical fallback — LLM error: 404 Client Error: Not Found for url: https://api.groq.com/openai/v1/chat/complet)

5 deep dives **3** builder stories **15** quick hits **316** items scanned mode: **mechanical fallback**

agents mcp/tools evals local/inference coding agents rag prompting fine-tuning

EXHIBIT 1 · TODAY'S SIGNAL — TOPIC FREQUENCY ACROSS SCANNED ITEMS N = 316



hackernews **56** github **80** huggingface **29** reddit **136** rss **15** x/twitter **skipped**

DEEP DIVES

Show HN: Junior – an open-source AI junior engineer that runs on your Mac

Show HN

Hi HN, I'm Samar, a software engineer. I built Junior because I was spending more time fixing CI issues, babysitting PRs and resolving merge conflicts. I thought maybe i should automate all of it, and that's why I started building Junior. Junior is an agent that runs locally on macOS and picks up th

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https://github.com/usejunior-sh/junior

Show HN: Farol – A risk map of a pull request for the person who approves it

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https://github.com/winnin/farol

eagle-hq/EAGLE-4

GitHub

Official Inference Code of EAGLE-4

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https://github.com/eagle-hq/EAGLE-4

Show HN: Find overlapping Rust tests with mutation testing

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To tackle the ever-increasing number of tests, I built cargo-test-prune. The idea behind it is to use cargo-mutants to generate mutants, and then solve the set cover problem for those mutants to suggest which tests can be eliminated. (use a greedy algorithm to cover the detected mutants with fewer t

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https://github.com/yasuyuky/cargo-test-prune

Shaitrish/37studio

GitHub

Open-source AI alternative to Buffer and Opus Clip: Claude Code makes on-brand videos, posts them to 9 platforms and drafts replies. Self-hosted, your own keys.

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https://github.com/Shaitrish/37studio

WHAT PEOPLE ACTUALLY BUILT

Show HN: A 3D mesh playground for coding agents (three.js + manifold-3d)

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When GPT-6/Gemini launched recently, a lot of the 3D demos used blender-mcp (https://github.com/ahujasid/blender-mcp). It's cool, but you have to install blender locally and wire up plugins just to try a prompt or share a run. I built a browser-based 3D mesh playground so you c

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https://sketchagent.dev/s/yfYU6LhT

I built an OpenSearch-compatible server with AI — and wrote 6,000 tests against the real thing to keep it honest

r/LLMDevs

Repo: https://github.com/ksimonm/SlopSearch The name is honest: a lot of this is AI-written code. The trick that makes it work is that the AI never gets to decide what "correct" means. **The setup** - A black-box test suite of ~6,100 pytest tests is the spec. Every test was run a

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https://www.reddit.com/r/LLMDevs/comments/1xfq9pl/i_built_an_opensearchcompatible_server_with_ai/

I built an agent for people who will never open a terminal. What would you cut or add?

r/AI_Agents

Most agents I try still start with a terminal, API keys and an empty chat box. My friends won't do any of that, so I built a Mac app that hides all of it. How it works: You download it and open it. It installs its own engine (Hermes Agent) in about 80 seconds, no questions. It ta

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QUICK HITS

Show HN: simdown – use SIMD to parse Markdown at ~1 GB/s SHOW HN

The SIMD path currently needs arm64 (NEON) and GOEXPERIMENT=simd. I've only benchmarked on an Apple M4, but it should help on any arm64 chip

https://github.com/trevorah/simdown

PaperPilot – Zero-Cloud, Pure-Rust PDF Engine with WASM and MCP HN

https://github.com/KrushnaVardhanReddy/PaperPilot

thomasunise/argus GITHUB

Open-source agentic security operations platform:

https://github.com/thomasunise/argus

lucianodiisouza/flecha-browser GITHUB

Open-source Arc alternative for macOS: a Chromium browser for developers with Spaces, a dev command bar and a built-in MCP server for coding

https://github.com/lucianodiisouza/flecha-browser

deepseek-ai/DeepSeek-V4.1-Flash-1017 HF MODEL

Trending model on Hugging Face — image-text-to-text, transformers; 3074 likes, 95,889 downloads.

https://huggingface.co/deepseek-ai/DeepSeek-V4.1-Flash-1017

xingjian-bai/opal GITHUB

OPAL: a reactive optimizer. A coding agent rewrites the optimizer while your model trains.

https://github.com/xingjian-bai/opal

abenzerps/Qwen-Image-2.1-Uncensored-Quantized HF MODEL

Trending model on Hugging Face — text-to-image, gguf; 5068 likes, 2,207,486 downloads.

https://huggingface.co/abenzerps/Qwen-Image-2.1-Uncensored-Quantized

RecursiveSI/flint HF MODEL

Trending model on Hugging Face — text-generation, transformers; 882 likes, 8,470 downloads.

https://huggingface.co/RecursiveSI/flint

dolev31/lasagna GITHUB

Swap one RAG pipeline stage, hold the rest fixed, and measure whether the gain survives composition. The framework behind "Retrieval Augment
https://github.com/dolev31/lasagna

larchanka/skills GITHUB

This repository is a collection of independent skills and tools for software development and automation. Each skill is a self-contained proj
https://github.com/larchanka/skills

h9-tec/ai-roadmap-2026 GITHUB

AI Roadmap 2026: a beginner's path through Foundations, LLM Engineering, Agents, Evaluation, and Production, with verified free resources an
https://github.com/h9-tec/ai-roadmap-2026

Jev Decision Index HF SPACE

Trending Space (static, 812 likes). Benchmarks and news on various repros of TypeSafe's Jev
https://huggingface.co/spaces/multimodalart/jev-decision-index

blorm-network/ZerePy GITHUB

ZerePy an open-source framework for AI agents written in Python
https://github.com/bIorm-network/ZerePy

Cattmonkey/ChaosIntelligence GITHUB

把智能体当函数，把想法写成程序。Agent-native functional language with a CLI, Web IDE, goal-driven bots and live UI. Source-available; no AI training.
https://github.com/Cattmonkey/ChaosIntelligence

XRayLau1/maitaiyi GITHUB

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https://github.com/XRayLau1/maitaiyi