Openwashing of Uber, Microsoft and AMD

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- Uber open-sources automated design framework for experiments [2]

Uber today released a framework for designing experiments within Pyro, its open source tool for deep probabilistic modeling. The framework leverages machine learning to enable optimal experimental design (OED), a principle based on information theory that enables the automatic selection of designs for complex experiments. With the framework, experimenters can apply OED to a large class of experimental models, from DNA assays to website and app A/B tests.

- Microsoft President Brad Smith Acknowledges They Were Previously Wrong On Open-Source [3][Ed: Why does Phoronix repeat Microsoft lies for them?]

Brad Smith has served as the President of Microsoft since 2015. He held a virtual talk / fireside chat today with MIT CSAIL on various technology topics.

- GPUOpen Celebrates Another Day Of Its Relaunch With A New Binary-Only Software Release [4][Ed: AMD's "GPUOpen" turns out to be a cynical openwashing ploy with no actual substance]

AMD this week marked the relaunch of GPUOpen as their resource for creators and game developers with their collection of open-source/open-standards minded offerings on the graphics front. In honor of their relaunch, they said they would be issuing new software releases every day this week. It was a bit odd yesterday with Radeon Rays 4.0 dropping their open-source code-base and today they are introducing another new utility that is also binary-only.
Radeon Memory Visualizer (RMV) is their new tool for GPU video memory profiling. RMV is intended to help understand game/engine memory allocations, discover memory leaks, analyze resource paging, and other memory-related analysis.

But besides Radeon Memory Visualizer being Windows 10 only at this point, it's strange in that it is another GPUOpen release that is binary-only at least for now with no source code.

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