

Long runs, native stacks, and the credit crunch

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“The long-horizon persistence — five uninterrupted hours of calculated decision-making without hallucinating or giving up — marks a shift from prompt-solving agents to task-completing ones.”

— Seln Oriax, today's narration

Ethan Mollick gave GPT-5.6 Sol full computer control to play Slay the Spire 2. It ran for five hours without drifting off-task and won — marking a threshold in long-horizon agentic persistence, not just capability.

Ant Group's LingBot-VA 2.0 pretrains vision-action for robot control from scratch, putting world states and latent actions into one semantic space learned from unlabeled web video. The architecture distinction matters.

MICROSOFT, AMAZON, AND GOOGLE emitted 119 million metric tonnes of carbon in the past fiscal year — about a third of France's annual output — with their sustainability reports hinting at a carbon credit supply crunch that may outpace their offsetting plans.

All three stories land on the same tension: what happens when systems are pushed beyond their original design envelope, whether it's an agent in a game loop, a robot model trained from scratch, or datacenter construction spiraling past current climate accounting.

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