8,000 STARS · BIGGER THAN EVERY JEV REPO COMBINED

A 421M local model just ate a cloud revolution.

The loudest AI launch of the week met an open-source answer nobody billed you for. Six slides.

Do the math with me.

THE METER

$0.042 sounds like nothing.

THE TRAP

Per-million-token pricing looks tiny until you multiply it by **every decision your product makes** — every day — **forever**.

WHAT IT REALLY IS

Not a price. **A meter.** And you live in the house it measures.

The open answer.

LAYA

Apache-2.0 · 421M params · runs on your hardware · 8K+ stars

9–33ms

Also free: **SemIf** — semantic if-statements running on a single home RTX 3090. The "revolution" has a garage-band cover, and the cover tours.

Unplugged, on purpose.

MY PROOF

Dissertator — my RAG runs **with the internet unplugged**. ONNX, local embeddings, file on your machine.

THE SHAPE CHANGE

When a capability moves from subscription to file, **your product's economics change shape**. Margins stop being someone else's dial.

Renting decisions per token is a business model.

Owning them is an architecture.

Choose your side early.

YOUR TURN

What's your decision bill this month — and who owns it?

Sources in the first comment: Laya (Apache-2.0, 8K+ stars) · SemIf · typesafe.ai.

Erkin Tek · ships AI