

# Subject matter eligibility in two domains I: Success with the US-based disclosure

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- MPEP 2106
- Examples 1 to 42
- Summary of Federal Circuit case developments, e.g., <https://bitlaw.com/patent/section-101-cases.html>

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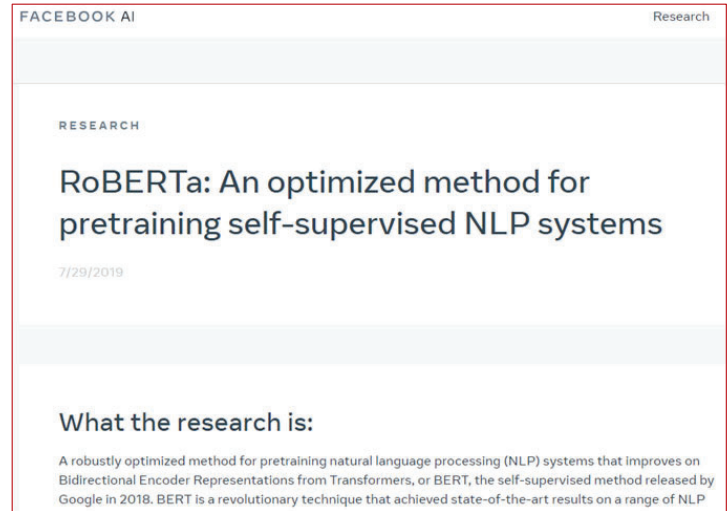
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- Continuing technical education relevant to the domain of the applicant

RoBERTa ML models

Writing ERC-721 tokens to the Ethereum blockchain using HardHat, Metamask & Alchemy

Facebook's Presto query engine and Apache's Hive data warehouse software



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# Begin at the beginning

- Inventor interview
- Case definition, ideation

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## **“Conscious” claims, drawings, specification**

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- How are the claims not “directed to” an abstract idea, or integrate, or recite significantly more?
- How does the specification disclose an integrated practical application or significantly more?

## **“Conscious” claims, drawings, specification**

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- Everything in the specification should be a physical or technical element that interacts with others.
- Drastically reduce or eliminate references to users, user actions, or manual actions.
- Weave in statements of technical effect
- Consider concluding paragraphs to summarize the technical solution

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