

It is said that AI does a better job of forecasting than humans.

So, let's put that to the

TEST.

The CHALLENGE

Every week, from Jan. 23 to Mar. 1, I asked Al (CoPilot) to predict Best Picture winner.

It gave me its top 3 picks with confidence levels.

Meanwhile, Yahoo provided weekly rankings.

Who got it right?

In one corner is CoPilot Al's internet-powered predictions.

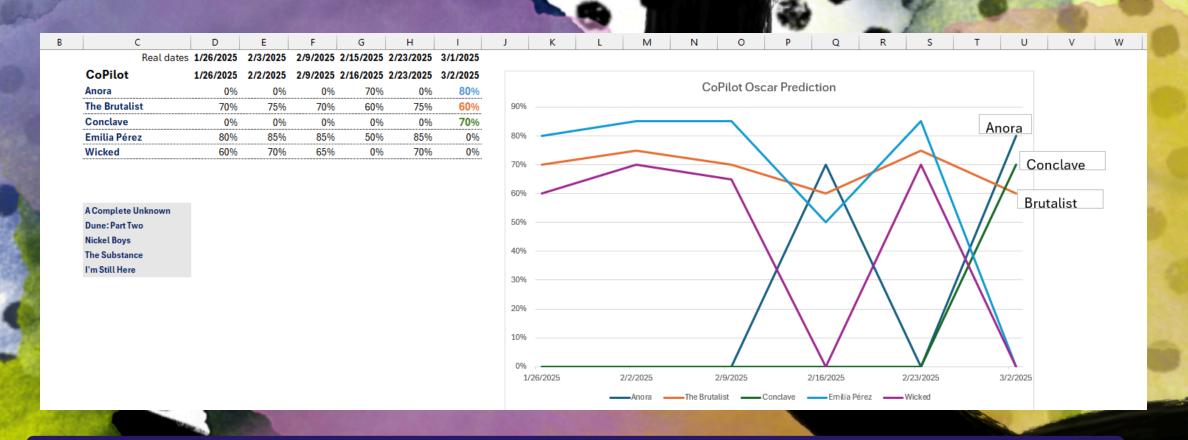
In other corner is Yahoo's human-driven data analytics.*



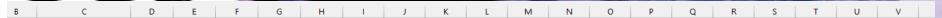
* ChatGPT, CoPilot, and Google AI say data analytics are not the same as AI. This may be a grey area, so ... I'm deploying LITERARY LICENSE!

Data (1) versus intuition (1).

Let's see what HAPPENED.



CoPilot's picks jumped around. Confidence wavered. Was it learning or just guessing?



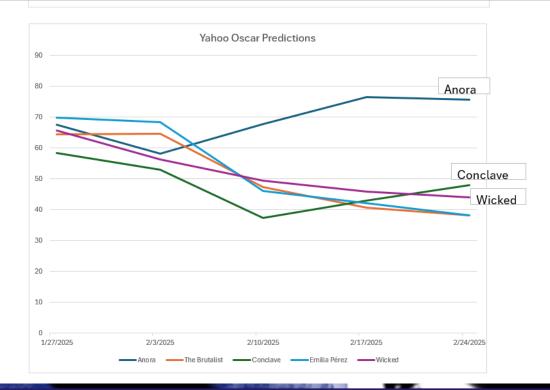
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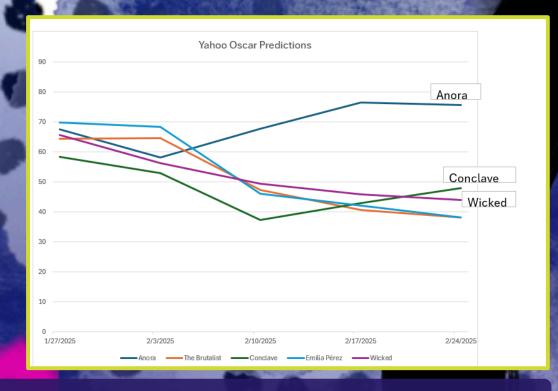
A Complete Unknown
Dune: Part Two
The Substance
Nickel Boys
I'm Still Here

Wicked



Yahoo showed a clear **surge** of the eventual winner. Steady. Predictable. Reliable.





Al: chaotic swings

Yahoo: clear momentum

Which would you trust?

The TAKEAWAY

Would I use AI for future predictions?

NOT YET.

Yahoo saw the trend early while Al scrambled.



On January 2025, Wharton Knowledge published these findings¹:

- Single models perform no better than random guesses;
- Better were multiple models working like human crowds;
- "The best results emerge when AI predictions are averaged with human insights";
- Al still can't beat the superforecasters.

. https://knowledge.wharton.upenn.edu/article/can-ai-predict-the-future/#:~:text=Key%20Takeaways,cheaper%20alternative%20for%20making%20predictions

