# Do Large Language Models Speak All Languages Equally? A Comparative Study in Low-Resource Settings

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#### Abstract

Large language models (LLMs) have garnered significant interest in natural language processing (NLP), particularly their remarkable performance in various downstream tasks in resource-005 rich languages. Recent studies have highlighted the limitations of LLMs in low-resource languages, primarily focusing on binary classi-007 fication tasks and giving minimal attention to South Asian languages. These limitations are primarily attributed to constraints such as dataset scarcity, computational costs, and re-011 search gaps specific to low-resource languages. To address this gap, we present datasets for sentiment and hate speech tasks by translating from English to Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu, facilitating research in low-resource language processing. Further, we comprehensively ex-017 amine zero-shot learning using multiple LLMs in English and widely spoken South Asian 019 languages. Our findings indicate that GPT-4 consistently outperforms Llama 2 and Gemini, with English consistently demonstrating superior performance across diverse tasks compared to low-resource languages. Furthermore, our analysis reveals that natural language inference (NLI) exhibits the highest performance among the evaluated tasks, with GPT-4 demonstrating 027 superior capabilities.

### 1 Introduction

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Recent advances in large language models (LLMs) developed significant interest in natural language processing (NLP) across academia and industry. LLMs are known for their language generation capabilities that are trained on billions or trillions of tokens with billions of trainable parameters. Recently researchers have been evaluating LLMs for various NLP downstream tasks, especially question answering (Akter et al., 2023; Tan et al., 2023; Zhuang et al., 2023), reasoning (Suzgun et al., 2022; Miao et al., 2023), mathematics (Lu et al., 2023; Rane, 2023), machine translation (Xu et al., 2023; Lyu et al., 2023), etc.

Most of the existing works on the evaluation of LLMs are on resource-rich languages such as English. However, the capabilities and performances of LLMs for low-resource languages<sup>1</sup> for many NLP downstream tasks are not widely evaluated, leaving a notable gap in the linguistic capabilities of low-resource languages. The most widely spoken yet low-resource languages of South Asia<sup>2</sup> such as Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu, several researchers are handling the scarcity of datasets and other resources in NLI (Aggarwal et al., 2022), Sentiment analysis (Hasan et al., 2023b; Sun et al., 2023; Koto et al., 2024) and Hate speech detection (Khan et al., 2021; Santosh and Aravind, 2019). However, the amount of work that uses LLMs is still very few, mainly due to a few constraints such as dataset scarcity, computational costs, and research gaps associated with low-resource languages. These constraints of low-resource languages require more attention, alongside a focus on high-resource languages, to enhance the applicability of LLMs to general-purpose NLP applications.

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To fill the aforementioned gap, we comprehensively analyze zero-shot learning using various LLMs in English and low-resource languages. The performance of LLMs shows that GPT-4 provides comparatively better results than Llama 2 and Gemini. Moreover, the English language performs better on different tasks than low-resource languages such as Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu. The Key contributions are as follows:

• To address the limitation of publicly available datasets for low-resource languages, we present datasets for sentiment and hate speech tasks by translating from English to Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu, thereby facilitating research in low-resource language processing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Refers to the scarcity of datasets and other resources rather than limitations in LLM capabilities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>https://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Languages\_of\_South\_Asia

- We investigate and analyze the effectiveness of different LLMs across various tasks for both English and low-resource languages such as Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu, which suggest that LLMs perform better when evaluated in English.
  - We apply zero-shot prompting using natural language instructions, which describe the task and expected output, enabling constructing a context to generate more appropriate output.

### 2 Related Works

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LLMs are proficient in various NLP tasks and highly generalizable across multiple domains. However, their performance remains significant room for improvement, particularly in low-resource languages such as Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu. Previous study (Robinson et al., 2023) demonstrates the inability of LLMs such as GPT-4 to perform on lowresource (African) and high-resource languages. However, LLMs perform well in languages (European) that use the same script as English (Holmström et al., 2023).

NLP research works, and applications for several downstream tasks mainly focus on high-resource languages. Unlike the English language, the advancement of NLP tasks for low-resource languages made it challenging due to several factors described by (Alam et al., 2021). However, there have been some improvements in the last couple of years for Bangla sentiment analysis focusing on resource development (Hasan et al., 2020; Islam et al., 2021; Hasan et al., 2023a) that attained attention from many researchers to concentrate on solving this issue. Some of the recent works on NLI (Pahwa and Pahwa, 2023; Gubelmann et al., 2023), Sentiment Analysis (Xing, 2024; Zhang et al., 2023b,a), and Hate Speech Detection (Hee et al., 2024; García-Díaz et al., 2023) that utilize LLM are mainly carried out in English languages. Moreover, these works opened up the prospects of exploring LLMs for downstream tasks of lowresource languages.

There are few attempts from researchers across different languages to utilize LLM for low-resource languages (Hasan et al., 2023b; Kabir et al., 2023; Koto et al., 2024; Kumar and Albuquerque, 2021) that show LLMs can achieve similar results to traditional machine learning techniques and transformer-based models. However, existing multilingual benchmarks such as BUFFET (Asai et al., 2023), XTREME (Hu et al., 2020), and XTREME- R (Ruder et al., 2021) do not address all four South Asian low-resource languages we are considering in our study. Moreover, BUFFET is limited to binary classification tasks and uses few-shot learning and instruction fine-tuning of smaller LLMs (such as mT5, mT0) and ChatGPT. At the same time, we focus on multi-class classification and use zero-shot learning with SOTA LLMs. The performance of LLMs is not balanced for all languages (Huang et al., 2023; Qin et al., 2023), and our study uniquely focuses on comparing resource-rich (English) and low-resource (Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu) languages using SOTA LLMs. 130

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Previous studies have highlighted LLM limitations in low-resource languages, particularly in binary classification, with minimal focus on South Asian languages. These constraints include dataset scarcity, high computational costs, and specific research gaps. To address these challenges, we concentrate on South Asian languages like Bangla, Urdu, and Hindi. We provide datasets for sentiment and hate speech tasks by translating from English. We explore zero-shot learning techniques across English and South Asian languages, thus expanding LLM applications in low-resource settings.

### 3 Methodology

We focused on both open- and closed-source LLMs. We choose three LLMs that are GPT-4 (OpenAI, 2023), Llama 2 (Touvron et al., 2023), and Gemini Pro (Team et al., 2023). We select the LLMs based on their performances, parameter sizes, and capabilities. To conduct our experiments, we used the XNLI dataset (Conneau et al., 2018) for the NLI task, the official test of SemEval-2017 task 4 (Rosenthal et al., 2017) for the sentiment task, and the dataset described in (Davidson et al., 2017) for hate speech task. We provide the details of the dataset used and the detailed data preprocessing and evaluation metrics in Appendix B.

**Prompt Approach:** The performance of LLMs varies depending on the prompt content. Designing a good prompt is a complex and iterative process that requires substantial effort due to the unknown representation of information within the LLM. In this study, we applied zero-shot prompting by using natural language instructions. The instructions contain the task description and expected output, which enables the construction of a context to generate more appropriate output. We keep the same prompt for each task across the LLMs. Further,

we added role information into the prompt for the
GPT-4 model as GPT-4 can take the role information and perform accordingly. We also provide a
safety setting for the Gemini model to avoid blocking harmful content. See Appendix A for details.

# 4 Results and Discussion

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English vs Low-resource Languages: Our experiments show that all the LLMs consistently provide superior performances for English languages in all tasks except the performances of Gemini in the sentiment task (Table 1). In the NLI task, the performance of GPT-4 in English is 18.04%, 17.38%, and 22.81% better than the Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu languages respectively (see Table 1). Although Hindi performs better than Bangla and Urdu, there is still a massive performance gap compared to English. Besides, Llama 2 performance in English is 32.52%, 31.28%, and 29.94% higher compared with Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu respectively. The difference between English and other languages is  $\sim 70\%$  from their original performance. Although the performance differences of Gemini between English and other languages are comparatively lower than GPT-4 and Llama 2, English is accomplishing approximately 13% better on average than Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu.

For the sentiment task, English is performing nearly on average 13% better than other languages using GPT-4 (see Table 1). The performance difference of Llama 2 between English and other languages is  $\sim 11\%$  on average, and English is consistently doing better than other languages. Despite that, Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu are performing 0.49%, 0.89%, and 0.60% better than English. The performance of Gemini remains almost the same for all the languages in the sentiment task. Our hate speech task experiments reveal that the performance of GPT-4 in English is approximately, on average, 22% better than low-resource languages (see Table 1). Moreover, the performances in English are  $\sim 17\%$  and  $\sim 18\%$  better than low-resource languages for Llama 2 and Gemini models.

We postulate the low performance of LLMs in low-resource languages for the following reasons. One of the main reasons is that most of the LLMs are trained on a large amount of English data, i.e., 90% of the training data of Llama 2 is English, whereas the amount of training data for lowresource languages is small compared with English. Moreover, cultural differences between English-

Model	Lang.	Acc.	Р.	R.	F1 <sub>macro</sub>	
NLI Task						
	EN	86.73	86.91	86.73	86.79	
CDT 4	BN	68.73	75.95	68.73	68.75	
GP 1-4	HI	69.31	76.26	69.31	69.41	
	UR	64.52	72.90	64.52	63.98	
	EN	74.47	76.27	74.47	74.82	
Llama 2 -	BN	45.66	52.74	45.66	42.30	
	HI	47.29	65.68	47.29	43.54	
	UR	46.39	53.68	46.39	44.88	
	EN	78.40	78.06	78.40	78.12	
Comini	BN	67.24	69.32	67.24	67.16	
Gemmi	HI	66.48	68.67	66.48	66.50	
	UR	62.14	65.38	62.14	62.01	
		Sentime	nt Task			
	EN	72.64	73.05	72.64	71.74	
GPT-4	BN	61.33	64.57	61.33	56.36	
	HI	66.47	68.75	66.47	63.68	
	UR	62.31	64.89	62.31	58.19	
Llama 2	EN	55.64	66.89	55.64	53.38	
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	HI	48.31	63.32	48.31	43.73	
	UR	47.06	61.61	47.06	42.62	
	EN	64.59	67.86	64.59	64.44	
Comini	BN	65.40	66.68	65.40	64.93	
Otimin	HI	65.87	67.14	65.87	65.33	
	UR	65.93	66.77	65.93	65.14	
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	UR	54.00	75.18	54.00	38.66	
	EN	79.32	83.93	79.32	60.04	
Llama 🤉	BN	69.92	69.12	69.92	41.36	
	HI	74.54	71.58	74.54	44.39	
	UR	47.29	65.68	47.29	43.54	
	EN	58.00	77.69	58.00	49.10	
Gemini	BN	30.34	70.93	30.34	30.81	
Jum	HI	32.01	72.72	32.01	33.36	
	UR	28.56	70.07	28.56	28.47	

Table 1: Performances of all the tasks across the models and languages. **Bold** indicates the best performances across the languages for each task. Lang.: language, Acc.: accuracy, P.: Precision, R.: Recall, EN: English, BN: Bangla, HI: Hindi, and UR: Urdu

spoken countries and low-resource language countries affect the sentiment and hate speech tasks the most. Lastly, the quality of the translation affects the performance of low-resource languages. However, Hindi performed better than Bangla and Urdu in all tasks among the low-resource languages. The performance difference among the low-resource languages is insignificant across the tasks and LLMs. Our findings from this section conclude that improving LLMs is required for low-resource languages.

Comparison Among LLMs: We first analyzed

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the individual LLM outputs and found that GPT-4 242 could not predict much data on sentiment and hate 243 speech tasks for Bangla and Urdu. Moreover, GPT-244 4 was able to provide predictions for all the English language samples for all the tasks. We also noticed 246 that Llama 2 and Gemini models could predict all 247 the samples from the NLI task for all languages. Llama 2 could not predict much data on the hate speech task for English. However, Llama 2 provides a small number of unpredicted data compared 251 with GPT-4 for Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu. We analyzed the response of unpredicted data from GPT-4. We found that the model cannot understand the context to classify while Llama 2 could not predict due 255 to inappropriate or offensive language. Moreover, 256 some responses of Llama include repeated 'l' as the label. We briefly overview the unpredicted data in Figure 1. During the evaluation metrics calculation, we assigned the inverse classes for the unpredicted samples.

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Gemini is the only LLM that predicted all the samples of each task. Although we provide a safety setting for the Gemini model, it blocked some data due to the content containing derogatory language. We noticed that the samples from sentiment and hate speech tasks were blocked for containing derogatory language, and those from the NLI task were not blocked. We provide a brief overview of the number of samples that are blocked by Gemini in Figure 2. However, the Urdu language is not supported by the Gemini. Despite that, the Gemini performs strongly in Urdu for the NLI and sentiment tasks. We further investigated the performances of Gemini in the Urdu language. We found that the alphabets of Urdu are derived from the Arabic language family<sup>3</sup> and many words are adopted from the Arabic language. Arabic is supported by Gemini, and the training data of Arabic shares semantic information with the Urdu language, which is why Gemini exhibits a strong performance in the Urdu language.

In general, GPT-4 shows prominent performances over other LLMs across all the tasks. Although Llama 2 provides better results for hate speech tasks, it struggled to perform well in NLI and sentiment tasks. While Gemini demonstrated strong performances in NLI and sentiment tasks, it delivered worse in hate speech tasks. Despite observing a smaller performance gap in Gemini, significant disparities persist in GPT-4 and Llama2, indicating that direct translation is less likely to compromise sentiment information. See Appendix B for class-wise experimental results.

Tasks Performances: The overall performance of the NLI task is comparatively better than sentiment and hate speech tasks (Table 1). The definition of an NLI task has clear rules and structured patterns, while sentiment and hate speech tasks are subjective and context-dependent. NLI task identifies the relation between two sentences based on structure and language logic (Bowman et al., 2015) that makes the task easier for LLMs. Moreover, the context lies with the sentence pair, and LLMs can understand the context. While sentiment and hate speech tasks require understanding the tone of the text and sometimes the complex social and cultural contexts, these facts are challenging for LLMs to understand. Moreover, the data of the NLI task is incorporated from the wellstructured MNLI corpus with precise labels and balanced classes, making the task more comfortable for LLMs. Unlike the NLI task, sentiment and hate speech task data are curated from social media platforms containing noise, informal expressions, slang, and incomplete text, making it challenging for LLMs. Moreover, most of the texts do not have the contexts within their representation, and it is challenging to identify the context for both humans and LLMs. Straightforward linguistics features and contextual information make the NLI task easier and perform better than sentiment and hate speech tasks using different LLMs. In addition, during the evaluation, we explored whether English hashtags have any impact on predictions for Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu. Our empirical results demonstrated that LLMs do not rely solely on hashtags but on the entire sequence.

# 5 Conclusion

In this study, we introduce datasets for sentiment and hate speech tasks by translating from English to Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu to facilitate research in low-resource language processing. Through a comprehensive examination of zero-shot learning across multiple LLMs, notably GPT-4, we uncover performance disparities between English and low-resource languages. Furthermore, our analysis identifies NLI as a task where GPT-4 consistently demonstrates superior capabilities, underscoring avenues for enhancing LLM applicability in general-purpose NLP applications.

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# 342 Limitation

In our study, we refrained from utilizing explicit prompting techniques to enhance the performance of large language models (LLMs). Our evaluation primarily focused on assessing LLMs in the context of English and low-resource languages such as Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu, without exploring variations in prompts. Regarding the quality of dataset translations, it is important to note that the translations generated by Google Translator were not subjected to human verification. Consequently, while certain translation errors were overlooked during our analysis, we conducted sampling from each 354 translated dataset to gain insights into the overall translation quality. Our findings underscore the necessity for further refinement in translation methodologies to elevate both the quality and accuracy of translations in future research endeavors. 359

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### A Prompts and Safety Setting

This section presents the details of the prompts that we used for each model and task<sup>4</sup>. We present the example prompt for the NLI task, sentiment task, and Hatespeech task in Table 2, Table 3, and Table 4 respectively. We provide the details of the safety setting for the Gemini Pro model in Table 5

#### **B** Experimental Details and Results

#### **B.1** Experimental Settings

#### B.1.1 Data

This section discusses the publicly available data for three tasks used in our study. We first discuss the data for the NLI task followed by the sentiment task and conclude with the hate speech task. Although each task has some datasets for all the languages individually, only the dataset of the NLI task has been translated into several languages. To fairly evaluate the generalization of LLMs, the translated version of the datasets is mandatory for

Model	Prompt
GPT-4	[{
	'role': 'user',
	'content': "Classify the following 'premise'
	and 'hypothesis' into one of the following
	classes: 'Entailment', 'Contradiction', or
	'Neutral'. Provide only label as your re- sponse."
	premise: [PREMISE_TEXT]
	hypothesis: [HYPOTHESIS_TEXT]
	label:
	},
	{
	role: 'system',
	content: "You are an expert data annotator and
	your task is to analyze the text and find the
	appropriate output that is defined in the user
	content."
	}]
Llama 2	Classify the following 'premise' and 'hypoth-
and Gemini	esis' into one of the following classes: 'Entail-
	ment', 'Contradiction', or 'Neutral'. Provide
	only label as your response.
	premise: [PREMISE_TEXT]
	hypothesis: [HYPOTHESIS_TEXT]
	label:

Table 2: Prompts used for zero-shot learning in NLI task.

Model	Prompt							
GPT-4	[{							
	'role': 'user',							
	'content': "Classify the 'text' into one of the							
	following labels: 'Positive', 'Neutral', or 'Neg-							
	ative'. Provide only label as your response."							
	text: [SOURCE_TEXT]							
	label:							
	},							
	{							
	role: 'system',							
	content: "You are an expert data annotator and							
	your task is to analyze the text and find the							
	appropriate output that is defined in the user							
	content."							
	}]							
Llama 2	Classify the 'text' into one of the following la-							
and Gemini	bels: 'Positive', 'Neutral', or 'Negative'. Pro-							
	vide only label as your response.							
	text: [SOURCE_TEXT]							
	label:							

Table 3: Prompts used for zero-shot learning in Sentiment task.

other tasks. We provide a detailed description of data distribution in Table 6.

**NLI Task:** We used the cross-lingual natural language inference (XNLI) dataset (Conneau et al., 2018) for the NLI task. We select the test set of English, Hindi, and Urdu languages from the XNLI dataset for our experiments. For the Bangla lan-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Note that we use the same prompt for each task.

Model	Prompt						
GPT-4	[{						
	'role': 'user',						
	'content': "Classify the 'text' into one of the						
	following labels: 'Hate', 'Offensive', or 'Nei-						
	ther'. Provide only label as your response."						
	text: [SOURCE_TEXT]						
	label:						
	},						
	{						
	role: 'system',						
	content: "You are an expert data annotator and						
	your task is to analyze the text and find the						
	appropriate output that is defined in the user						
	content."						
	}]						
Llama 2	Classify the 'text' into one of the following						
and Gemini	labels: 'Hate', 'Offensive', or 'Neither'. Pro-						
	vide only label as your response.						
	text: [SOURCE_TEXT]						
	label:						

Table 4: Prompts used for zero-shot learning in Hatespeech task.

Category	Threshold
HARM_CATEGORY_HARASSMENT	BLOCK_NONE
HARM_CATEGORY_HATE_SPEECH	BLOCK_NONE
HARM_CATEGORY_SEXUALLY_EXPLICIT	BLOCK_NONE
HARM_CATEGORY_DANGEROUS_CONTENT	BLOCK_NONE
HARM_CATEGORY_SEXUAL	BLOCK_NONE
HARM_CATEGORY_DANGEROUS	BLOCK_NONE

Table 5: Safety setting used for Gemini Pro model to prevent blocking the predictions for harmful content.

613	guage,	we	used	the	translated	version	of	XNLI
614	(Bhatta	char	jee et	al.,	2021).			

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Sentiment Task: For the sentiment analysis task, we used the official test of SemEval-2017 task 4: Sentiment Analysis in Twitter (Rosenthal et al., 2017). Primarily, the annotation was completed in five classes and then the labels were re-mapped into three classes.The SemEval-2017 task 4 offered only English and Arabic data. In this study, we only incorporate the English data.

Hate Speech Task: We used the dataset described in (Davidson et al., 2017) for our hate
speech task. The official dataset consists of a total
of 24, 802 samples. We first split the data into train,
validation, and test splits by 70%, 10%, and 20%
respectively. We only used the test set in our study
and the language of the official dataset is English.

Translation: We translated the English test set
for the Bangla, Hindi, and Urdu languages to evaluate the LLMs for sentiment and hate speech tasks.

We used the web version of Google Translator<sup>5</sup> with the use of Deep Translator toolkit<sup>6</sup>. We analyzed the translations and found that most of the hashtags were not translated into the target language. Moreover, Hindi translations were far better than Bangla and Urdu. We also randomly sampled 100 translation pairs for each language from both tasks to check the translation quality by native speakers. The feedback from native speakers indicates that there is room for improvement in the translation quality. Additionally, it is important to note that we followed previous best practices used in similar studies (Aggarwal et al., 2022; Lai et al., 2023).

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Task	Languages	Class	Test
NLI	EN, HI, UR	Contradiction Entailment Neutral	1,670 1,670 1,670 1,670
	BN	Contradiction Entailment Neutral	$1,630 \\ 1,631 \\ 1,634$
Sentiment	EN, BN, HI, UR	Negative Neutral Positive	$3,972 \\ 5,937 \\ 2,375$
Hate Speech	EN, BN, HI, UR	Hate Neither Offensive	$280 \\ 821 \\ 3,856$

Table 6: Class-wise test set data distribution for all the tasks. EN: English, BN: Bangla, HI: Hindi, and UR: Urdu.

### **B.1.2 Data Pre-processing**

The sentiment and hate speech datasets were mainly collected from X and contain URLs, usernames, hashtags, emoticons, and symbols. We only removed the URLs and usernames from the sentiment and hate speech task datasets. We keep the hashtags, emoticons, and symbols with data to understand how LLMs performed with this mixed information. Moreover, we did not perform any preprocessing steps for the XNLI dataset.

# **B.1.3 Evaluation Metrics**

To evaluate our experiments, we calculated accuracy, precision, recall, and  $F_1$  scores for all the tasks. We computed the weighted version of precision and recall and the macro version of  $F_1$  score as it considers class imbalance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>https://translate.google.com

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>https://pypi.org/project/deep-translator/

#### **B.2** Detailed Results

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We investigated the detailed performances of each task (see Table 7, Table 8, and Table 9). GPT-4 665 shows superior performances on the NLI task for all languages while exhibiting good performances on the sentiment task. However, most hate class data were misclassified in the hate speech task for all languages. Llama 2 provides strong performances in English for NLI, sentiment, and hate speech tasks 671 while finding difficulties in accurately predicting 672 the contradiction, neutral, and hate classes for NLI, sentiment, and hate speech tasks, respectively. Although Llama 2 outperforms GPT-4 performances in hate class in every language, GPT-4 in English and Hindi is better than Llama 2 for hate speech tasks. Moreover, Llama 2 demonstrated comparatively better performance on the hate speech task 679 than NLI and sentiment tasks. While Gemini exhibits strong performances in NLI and sentiment tasks for all the languages, it consistently performs 683 poorly on the speech task for all the languages. However, Gemini performs comparatively better 684 hate class performance than Llama 2 and GPT-4 for all the languages. Moreover, the performances in the neither and offensive classes are worse than other LLMs. We also found that most offensive classes are misclassified as neither.

# B.2.1 NLI Task

We present the detailed class-wise performances for the NLI task across the LLMs in Table 7.

#### **B.2.2** Sentiment Task

Detailed class-wise performances for the sentiment task across the LLMs are presented in Table 8.

#### **B.2.3** Hatespeech Task

Table 9 reports the detailed class-wise performances for the hatespeech task across the LLMs.

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Model	Lang.	Class	P.	R.	F1
		Contradiction	92.45	89.40	90.90
	EN	Entailment	88.25	86.88	87.56
	231 (	Neutral	80.02	82.90	81.92
		Contradiction	85.58	67.03	75.18
	BN	Entailment	88.26	49.85	63.17
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GPT-4		Contradiction	88.54	68.92	77.51
	HI	Entailment	86.02	50.18	63.39
		Neutral	54.22	88.80	67.33
		Contradiction	85.41	40.66	55.09
	UR	Entailment	on         85.41         40.66           82.53         64.27           50.79         88.62           on         94.12         73.83           72.88         83.17           61.82         66.41           ion         65.80         13.93           54.66         57.20           37.81         65.79	72.26	
		Neutral	50.79	88.62	64.57
		Contradiction	94.12	73.83	82.75
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		Neutral	72.88 83. 61.82 66.		64.03
		Contradiction	65.80	13.93	22.99
Llama 2	BN	Entailment	Contradiction         85.41         40.66           Intailment         82.53         64.27           Ieutral         50.79         88.62           Contradiction         94.12         73.83           Intailment         72.88         83.17           Ieutral         61.82         66.41           Contradiction         65.80         13.93           Intailment         54.66         57.20           Sentraliment         54.66         57.20           Veutral         37.81         65.79           Contradiction         88.30         14.91           Intailment         70.72         41.80           Veutral         38.01         85.15           Contradiction         63.88         22.87           Chtailment         59.63         46.17           Veutral         37.54         70.12	55.90	
		Neutral	37.81	65.79	48.02
		Contradiction	88.30	14.91	25.51
	HI	Entailment	70.72	41.80	52.54
		Neutral	38.01	85.15	52.56
		Contradiction	63.88	22.87	33.69
	UR	Entailment	59.63	46.17	52.04
		Neutral	37.54	70.12	48.90
		Contradiction	84.24	90.24	87.14
	EN	Entailment	77.76	80.00	78.87
		Neutral	72.17	64.95	68.37
		Contradiction	72.90	78.81	75.57
	BN	Entailment	79.22	53.35	63.76
Cemini		Neutral	55.88	69.57	61.97
Jum		Contradiction	74.14	75.36	74.73
	HI	Entailment	77.08	53.21	62.96
		Neutral	54.82	70.88	61.82
		Contradiction	70.14	70.06	70.10
	UR	Entailment	75.27	45.81	56.98
		Neutral	50.62	70.54	58.94

Table 7: Class-wise performances of the NLI task across the models and languages. **Bold** indicates the best performances across the languages. Lang.: language, P.: Precision, R.: Recall, EN: English, BN: Bangla, HI: Hindi, and UR: Urdu



Figure 1: Number of unpredicted samples by GPT-4 and Llama 2. Note that we only include the languages and models from the tasks with unpredicted samples.

Model	Lang.	Class	Р.	R.	F1
		Negative	73.08	73.39	73.23
	EN	Neutral	70.52	77.23	73.72
		Positive	79.36	59.92	68.28
		Negative	71.29	39.88	51.15
	BN	Neutral	57.40	85.11	68.56
CDT 4		Positive	71.25	37.77	49.37
Gr 1-4		Negative	73.07	51.79	60.62
	HI	Neutral	62.03	83.90	71.33
		Positive Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Neutral Positive Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative	78.32	47.45	59.10
		Negative	72.34	43.01	53.95
	UR	Neutral	58.45	83.43	68.74
		Negative Neutral Positive Negative Positive Negative Negative Neutral Positive	68.51	41.77	51.90
		Negative	56.08	94.26	70.32
	EN	Neutral	81.81	16.89	28.01
		Positive	47.65	87.92	61.80
		Negative	45.10	90.79	60.27
	BN	Positive Negative Neutral Positive Negative	76.96	2.81	5.43
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Liailla 2		Negative	48.31	93.78	63.77
	HI	Positive A Negative A Neutral Positive A Negative A Neutral Positive A Neutral Positive A	80.45	4.78	9.03
		Positive	45.62	81.05	58.38
		Negative	46.15	93.55	61.81
	UR	Neutral	78.18	4.77	8.99
		Positive	46.05	75.03	57.07
		Negative	60.40	87.89	71.60
	EN	Neutral	76.83	46.38	57.84
		Positive	57.86	71.33	63.89
		Negative	61.28	84.21	70.94
	BN	Neutral	72.07	54.44	62.03
Gemini		Positive	62.23	61.42	61.82
Gemmi		Negative	62.57	83.42	71.51
	HI	Neutral Positive Negative Neutral Positive Negative Neutral Positive Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Negative Neutral Positive Negative Neutral Positive Negative Neutral Positive Negative Neutral Positive Negative Neutral Positive Negative Neutral Positive	71.36	57.17	63.48
		Positive	62.33	58.65	60.43
		Negative	61.74	84.66	71.41
	UR	Neutral	72.63	55.11	62.67
		Positive	62.41	61.42	61.91

Table 8: Class-wise performances of the Sentiment task across the models and languages. **Bold** indicates the best performances across the languages. Lang.: language, P.: Precision, R.: Recall, EN: English, BN: Bangla, HI: Hindi, and UR: Urdu



Figure 2: Number of samples that are blocked by Gemini.

Model	Lang.	Class	Р.	R.	F1
		Hate	62.96	12.14	20.36
	EN	Class Hate Offensive Neither Neither Hate Neither Neither	88.85	95.10	91.87
		Neither	77.58	73.33	75.39
		Hate	22.39	5.36	8.65
	BN	Offensive	89.56	51.61	65.48
CDT 4		Neither	27.62	89.77	42.25
GP 1-4		Hate	32.69	6.07	10.24
	HI	Offensive	90.97	63.49	74.68
		Neither	33.56	90.13	48.91
		Hate	33.93	6.79	11.31
	UR	Offensive Neither Hate Offensive Neither Hate Offensive	88.58	50.49	64.32
		Neither	isP.F. $62.96$ 12.sive $88.85$ 95. $r$ $77.58$ 73. $22.39$ 5.sive $89.56$ 51. $r$ $27.62$ $89.$ $32.69$ 6.sive $90.97$ 63. $r$ $33.56$ 90. $33.93$ 6.sive $88.58$ 50. $r$ $26.30$ $86.$ sive $88.58$ 50. $r$ $26.30$ $86.$ sive $88.58$ 50. $r$ $26.30$ $86.$ sive $80.82$ $85.$ $r$ $27.56$ 61. $13.35$ $17.$ sive $80.82$ $85.$ $r$ $42.42$ $27.$ $15.09$ $12.$ sive $80.93$ $89.$ $r$ $46.89$ $27.$ $11.98$ $18.$ sive $80.05$ $83.$ $r$ $37.27$ $21.$ sive $83.14$ $20.$ $sive$ $83.14$ $20.$ $sive$ $83.90$ $22.$ $r$ $42.47$ $59.$ $8.76$ $76.$ $sive$ $83.20$ $18.$ $sive$ $83.20$ $18.$	86.60	40.35
		Hate	14.98	31.79	20.37
	EN	Offensive	88.16	86.51	87.33
		Neither	87.56	61.75	72.43
		Hate	13.35	17.50	15.15
Llama 2	BN	Hate Offensive Neither Hate Offensive Neither Neither	80.82	85.14	82.92
		Neither	P.R. $62.96$ $12.14$ $88.85$ $95.10$ $77.58$ $73.33$ $22.39$ $5.36$ $89.56$ $51.61$ $27.62$ $89.77$ $32.69$ $6.07$ $32.69$ $6.07$ $33.93$ $6.79$ $88.58$ $50.49$ $26.30$ $86.60$ $14.98$ $31.79$ $88.16$ $86.51$ $87.56$ $61.75$ $13.35$ $17.50$ $e$ $80.82$ $85.14$ $42.42$ $27.28$ $15.09$ $12.50$ $e$ $80.93$ $89.06$ $46.89$ $27.53$ $11.98$ $18.57$ $e$ $80.87$ $57.49$ $46.97$ $63.41$ $8.62$ $79.93$ $e$ $83.14$ $20.36$ $34.83$ $60.29$ $8.27$ $81.65$ $8.27$ $81.65$ $8.27$ $81.65$ $8.27$ $81.65$ $8.27$ $81.65$ $8.20$ $18.57$ $e$ $83.20$ $8.20$ $18.57$ $8.76$ $76.43$ $8.20$ $18.57$ $8.76$ $76.43$ $8.29.49$ $59.20$		33.21
		Hate	15.09	12.50	13.67
	HI	Offensive	80.93	89.06	84.80
		Neither	46.89	27.53	34.69
		Hate	11.98	18.57	14.57
	UR	Offensive	80.05	83.87	81.91
		Neither	37.27	21.92	27.61
		Hate	14.95	76.34	25.00
	EN	Offensive Neither Hate Offensive Neither Hate Offensive Neither	88.87	55.49	68.32
		Neither	46.97	63.41	53.97
		Hate	8.62	79.93	15.56
	BN	Offensive	83.14	20.36	32.71
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Gemmi		Hate	8.27	81.65	15.01
	HI	Offensive	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	22.50	35.49
		Neither	42.47	59.51	49.57
		Hate	8.76	76.43	15.72
	UR	Offensive	83.20	18.53	30.31
		Neither	29.49	59.20	39.37

Table 9: Class-wise performances of the Hatespeech task across the models and languages. **Bold** indicates the best performances across the languages. Lang.: language, P.: Precision, R.: Recall, EN: English, BN: Bangla, HI: Hindi, and UR: Urdu