SCULPT: Systematic Tuning of Long Prompts

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Abstract

Prompt optimization is essential for effective utilization of large language models (LLMs) across diverse tasks. While existing optimiza-004 tion methods are effective in optimizing short prompts, they struggle with longer, more complex ones, often risking information loss and being sensitive to small perturbations. To address these challenges, we propose SCULPT (Systematic Tuning of Long Prompts), a framework that treats prompt optimization as a hi-011 erarchical tree refinement problem. SCULPT represents prompts as tree structures, enabling 012 targeted modifications while preserving contex-014 tual integrity. It employs a Critic-Actor framework that generates reflections and applies actions to refine the prompt. Evaluations demonstrate SCULPT's effectiveness on long prompts, 018 its robustness to adversarial perturbations, and its ability to generate high-performing prompts even without any initial human-written prompt. Compared to existing state of the art methods, SCULPT consistently improves LLM per-023 formance by preserving essential task information while applying structured refinements. Both qualitative and quantitative analyses show that SCULPT produces more stable and interpretable prompt modifications, ensuring better generalization across tasks.

1 Introduction

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Large language models (LLMs) have revolutionized natural language processing, achieving stateof-the-art performance in text generation, summarization, and reasoning (Achiam et al., 2023; Bubeck et al., 2023; Abdin et al., 2024; Dubey et al., 2024). A key factor in their success is the use of natural language prompts, which condition the model on specific tasks. As applications grow in complexity, prompts have become not only longer but also structurally intricate, often spanning hundreds or even thousands of tokens and integrating multiple instructions, examples, and contextual cues (Schnabel and Neville, 2024). Optimizing such prompts manually is time-consuming, requiring expert intervention and extensive trial-and-error iterations (Jiang et al., 2022; Zamfirescu-Pereira et al., 2023). 043

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To reduce manual effort, automatic prompt optimization methods such as APE (Zhou et al., 2022), ProTeGi (Pryzant et al., 2023), OPRO (Yang et al., 2024), and APEX (Hsieh et al., 2024) have been proposed. These methods have been evaluated on tasks where prompts consist of minimal instructions, demonstrating their effectiveness in optimizing short prompts. However, they face two major limitations when applied to longer prompts. First, they generate each token of new prompt candidates from scratch, risking the loss of information from the initial prompt. Second, due to the nonconvex and non-monotonic behavior of LLMs with respect to small perturbations in prompt structure (Jiang et al., 2020; Zhao et al., 2021; Reynolds and McDonell, 2021; Lu et al., 2022), these optimization techniques become ineffective for long prompts. Addressing these limitations requires a structured and context-aware approach that preserves the initial information while applying targeted refinements.

We address these challenges with **SCULPT** (*Systematic Tuning of Long Prompts*)¹, a framework that redefines prompt optimization as a hierarchical tree refinement problem. Rather than treating prompts as flat sequences, SCULPT represents a prompt as a tree-structured form. This representation retains the intrinsic structure of a long prompt while enabling targeted and effective modifications. SCULPT employs an iterative *Critic-Actor* framework: the *Critic Module* generates reflections based on the prompt tree and incorrect predictions, while the *Actor Module* processes these reflections and generates a list of actions inspired by expert-driven prompt optimization. These actions are then ap-

¹Our code is available at https://anonymous.4open. science/r/SCULPT-A9CB

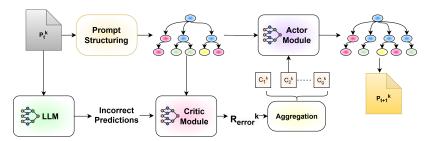


Figure 1: Overview of the SCULPT framework, highlighting its four core components: Prompt Structuring, the Critic Module, Aggregation, and the Actor Module for optimizing the k-th candidate prompt \mathcal{P}_t^k at iteration t. We have omitted UCB-based prompt selection and Structural Reflection in the figure for clarity.

plied systematically to refine the prompt tree. Fig. 1 provides an overview of our proposed SCULPT framework.

Our contributions are as follows: (1) We introduce SCULPT, a novel framework for optimizing long prompts using a hierarchical tree structure and an actor-critic mechanism, enabling systematic and targeted refinements. (2) We demonstrate SCULPT's effectiveness in refining unstructured prompts, achieving significant gains in LLM performance across four BBH (Big Bench Hard) tasks, four RAI (Responsible AI) tasks, and two multilabel tasks, with initial prompts averaging 1000 words and a maximum length of 2,644 words. (3) We evaluate SCULPT in adversarial and autogenerated prompt settings, showing its ability to refine perturbed prompts and generate effective prompts without human-curated initial prompts. (4) We analyze structural and semantic differences using three metrics, demonstrating SCULPT's ability to refine prompts while preserving key information. (5) We assess SCULPT's action distribution, demonstrating its controlled, systematic, and balanced refinements, leading to stable and generalizable prompt optimizations.

2 Related Work

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Optimizing prompts is essential for maximizing 107 LLM performance across various tasks (Brown, 108 2020; Reynolds and McDonell, 2021; Wang et al., 109 2022; Chang et al., 2024; Sahoo et al., 2024). 110 While manual prompt engineering has been ef-111 fective, it is labor-intensive and requires expertise. 112 To automate this process, soft prompting methods 113 (Lester et al., 2021; Li and Liang, 2021; Liu et al., 114 115 2021; Qin and Eisner, 2021) optimize prompts as continuous vectors in the model's embedding space, 116 but they require access to model weights, making 117 them unsuitable for black-box LLMs. In contrast, 118 black-box prompt optimization techniques refine 119

prompts without modifying the internal model, relying on explicit or implicit reflection mechanisms.

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Explicit reflection-based approaches (Cheng et al., 2023; Pryzant et al., 2023; Ye et al., 2023; Sun et al., 2023; Dong et al., 2024) generate feedback based on model errors and iteratively refine prompts by incorporating this feedback. We adopt this approach by structuring reflections to optimize long prompts effectively. In contrast, implicit reflection-based methods, such as OPRO (Yang et al., 2024) and evolutionary algorithms (Xu et al., 2022; Guo et al., 2024; Fernando et al., 2024; Liu et al., 2024), improve prompts using historical performance rather than explicit feedback. Some methods further incorporate human preferences to enhance the optimization efficiency (Chen et al., 2024b). These techniques have also been integrated into multi-step AI pipelines to improve their prompt quality (Khattab et al., 2023; Yuksekgonul et al., 2024; Schnabel and Neville, 2024). Additionally, research on automatic prompt generation explores approaches that construct prompts from input-output pairs (Honovich et al., 2023; Zhou et al., 2022; Chen et al., 2024a).

Recent studies have explored prompt optimization for longer prompts by applying segmentation and predefined modifications (Prasad et al., 2022). However, these methods remain limited in scope. APEX (Hsieh et al., 2024), for instance, optimizes few-shot chain-of-thought prompts but struggles with complex, instruction-heavy prompts. Additionally, many existing optimization techniques exhibit unpredictable behavior, leading to suboptimal results (Ma et al., 2024). To address these challenges, we introduce targeted updates that ensure stable and controlled refinements of long prompts.

3 The SCULPT Methodology

In this section, we present SCULPT, a framework designed to optimize complex, long prompts for

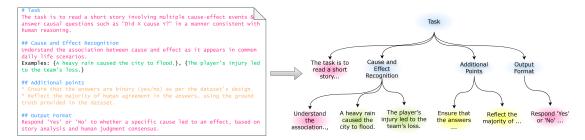


Figure 2: Illustration of SCULPT's Prompt Structuring Process. Unstructured prompt is transformed into a hierarchical tree structure, with different colors represent various node types (e.g., heading, instructions, examples).

LLMs. While existing methods primarily focus 159 on short prompts or few-shot examples, SCULPT specifically addresses the challenges of optimizing 161 longer prompts containing multiple instructions, ex-162 amples, and layered structures. Our goal is to refine 163 prompts iteratively in a controlled manner, ensuring robust model performance while maintaining clar-165 ity and task relevance. Let $\mathcal{D}_{train}, \mathcal{D}_{val}, \mathcal{D}_{test}$ repre-166 sent the training, validation, and test datasets, each consisting of input-output pairs (x, y). The LLM 168 169 \mathcal{M} generates predictions $\hat{y} = \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{P}, x)$ based on the given prompt \mathcal{P} , which can contain complex 170 instructions and examples (Appendix L). The ob-171 jective of SCULPT is to find an optimized prompt 172 \mathcal{P}^* that maximizes a performance metric \mathcal{Q} (e.g., 173 accuracy) on \mathcal{D}_{val} : 174

$$\mathcal{P}^* = \arg\max_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim \mathcal{D}_{val}} \left[\mathcal{Q}(y, \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{P}, x)) \right]$$

Starting with an initial prompt $P_{t=0}$, the optimization process iteratively produces K candidate prompts $\{P_t^k\}_{k=1}^K$ at every iteration t. SCULPT consists of four core components: *Prompt Structuring*, *Critic Module*, *Aggregation of Reflections*, and *Actor Module*, working in conjunction with a beam search strategy to explore and optimize multiple candidate prompts simultaneously. As illustrated in Fig. 1, these components systematically refine prompts by structuring, analyzing, aggregating, and applying controlled modifications. Henceforth, for sake of clarity, we will drop subscript t.

3.1 Prompt Structuring

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Short prompt optimization methods struggle with longer, more complex instructions, making it difficult to attribute error feedback to specific sections. Treating a long prompt as a single unit often leads to fragmented and ineffective refinements. To address this, we represent prompts as a hierarchical tree $\mathcal{T} = (N, E)$, where N is the set of nodes representing components such as headings, instructions, and examples, while E defines containment relationships between nodes. This structure enables targeted modifications while preserving the integrity of unrelated sections. 198

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Given a prompt \mathcal{P}^k , it is transformed into its hierarchical representation \mathcal{T}^k . If the prompt has an explicit structure, such as markdown formatting, it is directly parsed into \mathcal{T}^k ; otherwise, an LLM infers the hierarchy by segmenting the prompt into distinct components while preserving logical relationships (Appendix N). This enables SCULPT to effectively process prompts with any type of formatting. Fig. 2 illustrates this transformation, with different node types color-coded to represent the hierarchical structure.

3.2 Critic Module

The *Critic Module* \mathbb{C} evaluates the prompt and generates two types of reflections: *Structural Reflection* and *Error Reflection*. Each reflection includes feedback and a list of paths to the nodes in \mathcal{T}^k where modifications should be applied. *Structural Reflection* (\mathcal{R}_{struc}) assesses the overall structure, clarity, completeness, and redundancy of the prompt. It is generated independently of task-specific errors and ensures logical organization, given by $\mathcal{R}^k_{struc} = \mathbb{C}(\mathcal{T}^k)$.

Error Reflection (\mathcal{R}_{error}) is generated when $\hat{y} \neq y$ for an input-output pair in the training batch $B \subset \mathcal{D}_{train}$, identifying problematic nodes in \mathcal{T}^k that contribute to incorrect predictions, formulated as $\mathcal{R}_{error}^k = \{\mathbb{C}(\mathcal{T}^k, x_i, y_i, \hat{y}_i) : i \in B\}$. Since error reflections are highly specific to individual examples, using them directly may lead to overfitting. To enhance generalization, SCULPT aggregates these reflections before applying modifications.

3.3 Aggregation of Reflections

To mitigate overfitting, SCULPT consolidates error reflections \mathcal{R}_{error}^k into a structured set $\mathbf{C}_{error}^k = \{C_1^k, C_2^k, \dots, C_g^k\}$, where g is determined by the aggregation mechanism. We employ two com-

plementary strategies: *Pattern-based Aggregation*, which clusters reflections based on shared error types and structural similarities, and *Node-based Aggregation*, which groups reflections corresponding to the same node. If a node N_j appears in at least one reflection in \mathcal{R}_{error}^k , its aggregated reflection C_j^k is defined as:

$$C_j^k = \bigcup \{ \mathcal{R} \mid \mathcal{R} \in \mathcal{R}_{\text{error}}^k \text{ and } N_j \in \mathcal{R} \}$$

This ensures that all reflections affecting the same node are merged, allowing for more structured and meaningful modifications.

3.4 Actor Module

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The Actor Module modifies the prompt based on reflections from the Critic Module. Instead of operating on the entire prompt tree \mathcal{T}^k , the Actor focuses on an induced subtree \mathcal{T}^k_{sub} , which includes nodes requiring modification along with their direct parent nodes. Given \mathcal{T}^k_{sub} and any reflection, the Actor generates a list of actions $A^k = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m\}$ selected from a predefined set of modifications outlined in Table 1. These actions are then applied using an update operator Φ , transforming the subtree into an updated version:

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{sub},t+1}^k = \Phi\Big(\mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{sub},t}^k, A^k\Big)$$

The Actor first applies high-level structural modifications derived from $\mathcal{R}_{\text{struc}}^k$ to improve clarity and logical organization. It then incorporates aggregated reflections C_j^k to refine instructions and examples based on task-specific errors. Once all modifications are completed, the updated prompt tree \mathcal{T}_{t+1}^k is converted back into its textual representation, yielding the optimized prompt \mathcal{P}_{t+1}^k .

Action	Description
Structural Reordering	Changing the order of sibling nodes
Instruction Update	Simplifying or adding new instructions
Example Addition	Adding new examples to a node
Example Deletion	Removing redundant examples from a node
Example Refinement	Improving existing examples in a node
Node Pruning	Removing unnecessary nodes
Node Expansion	Adding new nodes to address gaps
Node Merging	Combining nodes that have similar content

Table 1: Action types in SCULPT for prompt refinement

3.5 Search Process

270SCULPT incorporates a beam search strategy to explore and refine multiple candidate prompts in par-271plore and refine multiple candidate prompts in par-272allel. At each iteration t, a beam \mathcal{B}_t maintains the273top K candidate prompts, enabling both exploita-274tion of high-performing prompts and exploration275of new variations. Since evaluating all candidate

Algorithm 1	Prompt	Optimization	in SCULPT ¹

Initialize Beam $\mathcal{B}_0 = \{\mathcal{P}_0\}, t \leftarrow 0, \max_$ steps while $t < \max$ steps do
Evaluate \mathcal{B}_t on a random subset of \mathcal{D}_{val} , obtain $\hat{\mu}_k$
Compute UCB scores $\text{UCB}_k(t)$ for each \mathcal{P}_t^k
Select top K candidate prompts $\{\mathcal{P}_t^k\}_{k=1}^K$
for each selected candidate prompt \mathcal{P}_t^k do
Critic generates Structural Reflection \mathcal{R}^k_{struc}
Critic generates Error Reflection \mathcal{R}^k_{error}
Aggregate $\mathcal{R}^k_{\text{error}}$ into groups $\{\mathcal{C}^k_j\}_{j=1}^g$
Actor applies structural actions A_{struc}^k
for each aggregated reflection \mathcal{C}_j^k do
Actor applies error-based actions $A_{\text{error}}^{(k,j)}$
Update prompt to $\mathcal{P}_{t+1}^{(k,j)}$ and add to beam \mathcal{B}_{t+1}
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$t \leftarrow t + 1$
end while
Return top-K prompts from \mathcal{B}_t sorted in descending order by UCB scores

prompts on \mathcal{D}_{val} is computationally expensive, we adopt an Upper Confidence Bound (UCB)-based selection strategy (Pryzant et al., 2023). The UCB score for each candidate \mathcal{P}_t^k is computed as:

$$\text{UCB}_k(t) = \hat{\mu}_k + c \sqrt{\frac{\log t}{n_k}}$$
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where $\hat{\mu}_k$ is the estimated performance (using previous evaluations) of the candidate on the validation set \mathcal{D}_{val} , n_k is the number of times the candidate has been evaluated, and c is a hyperparameter controlling the trade-off between exploration and exploitation. This ensures that promising candidates with fewer evaluations are prioritized while refining high-performing candidates.

The overall optimization process for SCULPT, integrating prompt structuring, reflection-based refinement, and beam search with UCB-based selection, is provided in Algorithm 1. A more detailed explanation of the beam search algorithm and the UCB-based selection strategy is provided in Appendix C. Additionally, detailed templates for the Critic and Actor modules are presented in Appendix I, while step-by-step interactions and refinements are detailed in Appendix E. Fig. 6 in Appendix visually demonstrates the improvements made to the prompt after optimization, illustrating the impact of these refinements.

4 **Experiments**

4.1 Experimental Setup

Datasets: We evaluate SCULPT on four tasks from the Big-Bench Hard (BBH) benchmark (Suzgun et al., 2023), designed to test LLMs on challenging

¹We have removed t from notations for C, A, \mathcal{R} for clarity.

Method	ST	Dis	CJ	FF	Inapp	Misinfo	Hate	Selfharm	BTails	GoE	Avg
Initial Prompt	62.3	74.1	71.1	80.2	46.6	51.5	46.8	66.4	41.8	7.8	54.9
APE	51.0	74.3	71.8	75.3	45.3	31.9	29.3	38.1	46.4	0	46.3
LAPE	52.7	78.0	72.2	81.3	42.4	43.6	37.6	44.2	39.1	19.6	50.3
APEX	62.7	61.5	70.5	80.6	48.0	50.5	47.1	65.2	40.7	8.0	53.5
OPRO	64.6	75.1	72.7	80.7	46.6	51.0	40.9	65.1	41.5	11.8	55.0
ProTeGi	65.5	74.8	68.9	70.1	44.8	54.8	51.9	66.5	45.4	17.8	56.1
SCULPT _{NoAgg}	65.2	77.3	75.4	83.1	53.6	53.6	51.9	65.5	49.6	29.8	60.5
SCULPTPA	66.2	77.6	76.9	83.7	55.3	56.7	53.1	68.8	49.3	29.6	61.7
SCULPT+RP	67.6	78.0	75.1	84.7	55.0	55.3	52.9	69.0	49.6	22.4	61.0
SCULPT	68.8	80.1	75.9	83.7	55.0	54.9	53.1	68.5	50.5	30.6	62.1
SCULPTLAPE	66.8	81.1	76.1	86.5	48.2	48.8	44.5	61.8	48.4	28.0	59.0

Table 2: Performance comparison using GPT-40 across various tasks

problems. The selected tasks include Causal Judge-307 *ment* (CJ), assessing causal reasoning and moral 308 judgment; Disambiguation QA (Dis), resolving ambiguous pronouns; Formal Fallacies (FF), distin-310 guishing between valid and fallacious arguments; 311 and Salient Translation Error Detection (ST), iden-312 tifying critical translation errors. Additionally, we evaluate SCULPT on four real-world RAI tasks: 314 Inappropriate Content Detection (Inapp), Hate-315 Speech Detection (Hate), Misinformation Detec-316 tion (Misinfo), and Suicidal Ideation and Drug 317 Use Detection (Selfharm), each categorized into 318 four harm levels: No Harm, Low Harm, Moderate 319 Harm, and High Harm. We also include two multilabel classification tasks with more than ten classes: 322 GoEmotions (GoE) (Demszky et al., 2020), classifying Reddit comments into 28 emotion categories, and *BeaverTails* (**BTails**) (Ji et al., 2023), where 324 human-labeled QA pairs are assigned to multiple 325 categories across 14 harm types. Table 6 in the appendix provides the word counts of the initial 327 prompts, highlighting their length and complexity.

Baseline Methods: We evaluate SCULPT against seven baseline methods. (1) Initial Prompt, which act as the initial prompt in each optimization method. These prompts for RAI tasks are expert curated (Appendix L), while those for BBH and multi-label tasks are generated using task descriptions from README files (Appendix K). (2) APE (Zhou et al., 2022), which generates new prompt candidates by leveraging few-shot examples, then rephrases them to create multiple variations, selecting the best based on validation performance. (3) LAPE, a variant of APE, which focuses on generating more descriptive prompts using a predefined template (cf. Appendix H). (4) APEX (Hsieh et al., 2024), which refines prompts by performing sentence-level rephrasing through LLMs while utilizing historical changes for refinement. (5) OPRO (Yang et al., 2024), which generates new prompts by relying on historical prompt data and their val-

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SCULPT Variants: To assess the impact of reflection aggregation and search space expansion within SCULPT, we evaluate five key variants: (1) SCULPT, which employs Node-based Aggregation as the primary method. (2) $SCULPT_{PA}$, which replaces Node-based Aggregation with Pattern-based Aggregation. (3) SCULPT_{NoAgg}, which omits aggregation entirely to measure the effect of unaggregated reflections on prompt optimization. (4) Since baselines typically expand the search space through rephrasing, SCULPT+RP integrates rephrasing alongside Node-based Aggregation to assess the influence of rephrased candidates on SCULPT's performance. We provide detailed information on rephrasing in Appendix I.5. (5) $SCULPT_{LAPE}$, where the initial prompt is generated using the LAPE method before undergoing optimization in SCULPT. This variant evaluates SCULPT's performance when it is not initialized with a humanwritten prompt.

Implementation Details: For most tasks, macro F1 scores are used due to the multiclass nature, while accuracy is reported for *ST*, *Dis* and multilabel tasks. The results reflect the average performance of the top four generated prompts, evaluated across three trials to ensure consistency. All generations were done using *GPT-4o* (OpenAI, 2024) with a temperature of 0.5, while the evaluation was performed using both *GPT-4o* and *Llama-3.1-8B* (Dubey et al., 2024), with a temperature of 0 to guarantee deterministic outputs.

We ensured fairness by assigning all methods the same search budget of 384 total prompt candidates. APE and LAPE generated this number directly, while APEX and OPRO, which produce one prompt per step, were run for 384 steps. ProTeGi was run for 6 steps, producing 64 candidates per step. SCULPT, generating up to 16 candidates per step, could have run for 24 steps, but experiments indicated that performance peaked at 8 steps, with additional steps leading to overfitting. Thus, the reported SCULPT performance reflects the results after 8 optimization steps.

Method	Dis	CJ	Misinfo	Selfharm	Avg
Initial Prompt	57.3 ± 1.8	61.8 ± 1.2	36.1 ± 0.8	34.9 ± 0.8	47.5
APE	64.3 ± 0.7	56.0 ± 1.6	33.9 ± 2.3	29.4 ± 1.0	45.9
LAPE	60.3 ± 1.9	60.0 ± 2.4	39.3 ± 2.9	33.9 ± 3.2	48.4
APEX	61.5 ± 3.6	59.4 ± 3.6	28.8 ± 5.0	39.6 ± 1.0	47.3
OPRO	49.1 ± 18.4	62.9 ± 2.7	43.1 ± 8.3	51.8 ± 2.4	51.7
ProTeGi	61.3 ± 3.5	58.4 ± 4.3	34.5 ± 4.7	41.6 ± 1.2	49.0
SCULPT	65.3 ± 4.3	64.9 ± 1.5	37.3 ± 2.8	54.5 ± 5.1	55.5

Table 3: Performance Comparison using Llama 3.1

5 Results and Analysis

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Performance Comparison with Baselines: Table 2 presents the results for SCULPT variants and baseline methods across ten tasks using GPT-40. SCULPT consistently outperforms all baselines, demonstrating significant improvements over the initial prompt. While APEX struggles to generate meaningful gains, often performing similarly to the initial prompt, OPRO and ProTeGi show minor improvements but lack consistency across different tasks. LAPE performs well on tasks such as Dis, FF and multi-label tasks surpassing APE and the initial prompt, yet it underperforms in other tasks. On multi-label tasks *GoE* and *BTails*, where a large number of classes makes prompt optimization challenging, most baselines fail to provide substantial improvements. In contrast, SCULPT achieves notable performance gains exceeding 10% on both tasks. Due to space constraints, we have omitted standard deviations here; however, Appendix A includes them, demonstrating that SCULPT exhibits lower variance than other methods, indicating greater stability and reliability across multiple runs. Comparison of computation required by SCULPT with ProTeGi in Appendix B, shows 50% reduction in overall cost in GPT-40 usage.

Table 3 presents results for four tasks using *Llama 3.1.* Apart from *Misinfo*, SCULPT significantly outperforms all baselines. Interestingly, OPRO delivers better improvements with *Llama-3.1-8B* than with *GPT-4o*, even surpassing ProTeGi on 3 out of 4 tasks, suggesting that model-specific behavior influences the effectiveness of optimization strategies. *SCULPT* continues to demonstrate robust performance, reinforcing its adaptability across different models and tasks.

Ablation Study of SCULPT: Table 2 highlights the performance of different SCULPT variants. SCULPT, which uses Node-based Aggregation, achieves the best overall results. This variant excels because the Actor can apply all reflections related to a specific node in the prompt simultaneously, ensuring that refinements are comprehensive and targeted. In contrast, $SCULPT_{PA}$ (Pattern-based Aggregation), which clusters reflections based on similarities in erros, may fail to aggregate all reflections for the same node. As a result, some potential improvements for that node may be missed, leading to less precise refinements. While SCULPT+RP(rephrasing) delivers results comparable to the standard SCULPT, its impact is inconsistent. Rephrasing does not always lead to further improvements, making it an optional step rather than a core part of the SCULPT.

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APEX	69.0	70.2	43.0	28.3
OPRO	70.0	69.6	48.1	43.0
ProTeGi	68.3	69.9	52.4	37.8
SCULPT	74.1	73.2	56.4	50.2

Table 4: Performance of methods under Localized (LP) and Global (GP) perturbations in the prompt.

Robustness to Prompt Perturbations: We conducted a robustness evaluation to assess SCULPT and baseline methods on erroneous or poorly structured initial prompts, simulating real-world conditions with significant noise. Two types of perturbations were applied: Localized Perturbations (LP), where examples were swapped between categories within the prompt, causing moderate disruptions, and Global Perturbations (GP), where entire instruction-example pairs were swapped between categories, creating severe misalignment in structure. GP represents the more difficult challenge due to the full mismatch between instructions and examples. As shown in Table 4, SCULPT consistently outperforms baselines across both settings. In the LP scenario, SCULPT's node-specific approach efficiently repositions misplaced examples, while baselines like APEX and ProTeGi struggle with even moderate inconsistencies, leading to performance drops. In the GP setting, SCULPT demonstrates superior recovery, maintaining robust performance as other methods fail to correct the structural confusion. This evaluation highlights SCULPT's ability to manage both subtle and severe prompt errors, ensuring reliable outcomes in

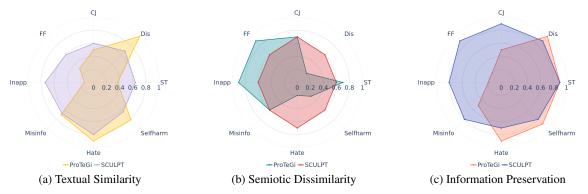


Figure 3: Comparison of Textual Similarity, Semiotic Dissimilarity, and Information Preservation for ProTeGi and SCULPT. ProTeGi exhibits high variability, often making drastic changes while SCULPT maintains stability.

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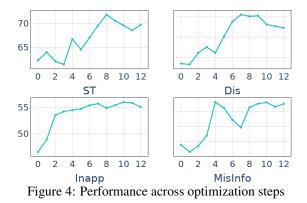
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Optimization using Auto-Generated Prompts: In this setting, we evaluate SCULPT's ability to optimize prompts generated by an automated method rather than a human-crafted prompt. Specifically, we use prompts from LAPE, a structured prompt generation technique, to assess whether SCULPT can refine them to match or surpass expert-designed prompts. As shown in Table 2, LAPE-generated prompts often perform comparably to or better than human-written ones in BBH and multi-label tasks, where SCULPT_{LAPE} consistently outperforms SCULPT with humancrafted prompts. However, on RAI tasks, where experts carefully designed the initial prompts, SCULPTLAPE does not match SCULPT's performance but still provides significant improvements over the raw LAPE-generated prompt. These findings highlight SCULPT's ability to enhance autogenerated prompts, making them a viable alternative when expert-crafted prompts are unavailable.



Performance across Optimization Steps: To assess the impact of optimization steps, we plot performance after each step in Fig. 4. Results show that performance plateaus around step 8 on average. In some cases, continuing beyond 8 steps may lead to overfitting. Based on this, we report performance

at the end of 8 steps in our evaluation.

Comparative Analysis of Prompts: We analyze the structural and semantic differences between initial and optimized prompts using three key metrics. To measure textual similarity, we use Sentence Transformers (all-MiniLM-L6-v2) (Reimers and Gurevych, 2019) to compute semantic overlap. However, due to its 256 tokens input limitation, we create overlapping chunks of the prompts and aggregate their similarity scores to obtain a comprehensive measure. As shown in Fig. 3a, SCULPT maintains a similarity score above 0.6 across all tasks, indicating that it applies necessary modifications without drastically altering the original prompt. In contrast, ProTeGi (our best baseline) shows significant variations across tasks, with inconsistent similarity scores, leading to unpredictable prompt modifications.

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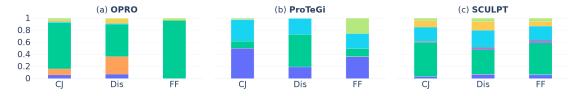
Semiotic dissimilarity is inversely correlated with textual similarity but provides a more holistic comparison by capturing both semantic and structural differences. Since sentence transformers cannot compare full-length prompts effectively, we employ GPT-40 (cf Appendix O) to assess prompt differences at the document level, accounting for logical restructuring, reordering, and coherence beyond surface-level semantic shifts. As shown in Fig. 3b, ProTeGi exhibits extremely high dissimilarity for FF and Inapp, reaching values close to 0.9, signifying drastic changes in both content and semantics. This aligns with the observed performance drop from the initial prompt, indicating that excessive modifications can distort task intent. SCULPT, on the other hand, maintains a stable level of dissimilarity across tasks, ensuring that refinements remain controlled and meaningful.

Information preservation (Fig. 3c) further highlights SCULPT's consistency in retaining relevant task information. SCULPT systematically removes

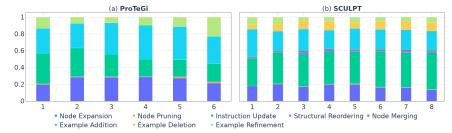
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(a) Action distribution across tasks, highlighting SCULPT's consistent application of refinements across different scenarios.



(b) Action distribution over optimization steps, illustrating SCULPT's stable approach to prompt refinement across iterations. Figure 5: Comparison of action distributions for ProTeGi and SCULPT across tasks (a) and optimization steps (b). SCULPT applies refinements consistently, while ProTeGi exhibits greater variability.

redundant or misleading content while keeping essential information intact. In contrast, ProTeGi exhibits high variability, occasionally leading to excessive content removal or unintended modifications, which may negatively impact downstream performance. These findings show that SCULPT applies more targeted modifications while ensuring clarity and task relevance.

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Action Distribution Analysis Across Tasks: In Figure 5a, we illustrate the distribution of actions applied by OPRO, ProTeGi, and SCULPT across various tasks. Since OPRO and ProTeGi do not explicitly define their action types, we used LLMs to analyze their behavior and classify changes into predefined action categories (cf. Appendix J). This classification provides a clearer perspective on how these methods refine prompts. SCULPT demonstrates a consistent and balanced distribution of actions across tasks, incorporating Instruction Updates, Example Addition, Example Deletion, and Node Expansion. In contrast, OPRO and ProTeGi exhibit significant variability. ProTeGi, for instance, relies heavily on Node Expansion (~40%) and *Example Addition* (\sim 30%), indicating a tendency to resolve prompt issues by adding content, which can lead to overfitting. OPRO, an implicit reflection method, applies less controlled refinements, resulting in more scattered and unsystematic modifications. Similar to our qualitative analysis, we again observe ProTeGi's inconsistency across tasks, whereas SCULPT consistently applies structured, well-balanced refinements, ensuring stability across diverse tasks.

Action Distribution Analysis Across Steps:

Figure 5b illustrates how action types evolve over optimization steps, averaged across tasks. SCULPT maintains a steady and well-regulated action distribution throughout the steps, ensuring controlled and targeted refinements. In contrast, ProTeGi exhibits high variability, with a growing reliance on *Example Addition* as optimization progresses, potentially leading to overfitting. This evaluation further highlights SCULPT's stability in contrast to ProTeGi's inconsistency, reinforcing the trend observed in our qualitative analysis. 575

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6 Conclusion

We introduce SCULPT, a novel framework for optimizing long prompts in LLMs through hierarchical structuring and targeted refinements. Unlike existing methods which struggle with complex multi-instruction prompts, SCULPT applies structured modifications while maintaining a balanced distribution of actions, ensuring controlled and high-quality refinements. It demonstrates strong robustness against prompt perturbations, outperforming existing methods in handling adversarial modifications. SCULPT effectively refines both expert-curated and auto-generated prompts, achieving strong performance across multiple tasks. Our comparative analysis highlights its ability to preserve key information while systematically improving clarity and coherence. Additionally, SCULPT reduces computational costs by 50% compared to ProTeGi, making it a scalable and resourceefficient approach. These results position SCULPT as a reliable solution for enhancing LLM performance across diverse tasks.

7 Limitations

While SCULPT demonstrates strong performance, 609 it has certain limitations. Our evaluation is re-610 stricted to two LLMs, GPT-40 and Llama 3.1, 611 due to computational constraints. A broader study across diverse LLM sizes and architectures could 613 614 provide deeper insights into its generalizability and effectiveness at different scales. Addition-615 ally, SCULPT has only been tested on Englishlanguage prompts. Extending it to multilingual settings would enhance its applicability to global 618 contexts and broader tasks. Future work could ex-619 plore leveraging historical optimization trajectories to guide refinements, enabling SCULPT to learn from previous iterations and dynamically adjust 622 modifications based on past improvements. Inte-623 grating memory-based or reinforcement learning techniques could enhance adaptability, reducing un-625 necessary modifications and improving efficiency over multiple optimization cycles.

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Α **Detailed Results with Standard** Deviation

In Tables 7, 8 and 9, we have reported the mean and standard deviation of the performances of every method across three runs using GPT-40. From these tables, it is evident SCULPT provides least variance across runs compared to other methods. Automatic prompt generative approaches APE and LAPE provide higher variance compared to prompt optimization methods.

Computational Analysis B

Table 5 compares the token usage and cost of SCULPT and ProTeGi on the Formal Fallacy task using GPT-40. SCULPT significantly reduces computational costs, achieving a 50% cost reduction compared to ProTeGi, with total processing expenses dropping from \$15 to \$7. This efficiency stems from SCULPT's structured optimization process, which refines prompts with fewer LLM calls and minimizes redundant token consumption.

While ProTeGi makes 1,000 LLM calls and processes 3.4M input tokens, SCULPT requires only 600 calls, reducing input token usage to 1.3M. Similarly, completion token usage in SCULPT is reduced by nearly half compared to ProTeGi (0.4M vs. 0.7M), further lowering costs. These results highlight SCULPT's efficiency in optimizing prompts while maintaining high-quality refinements, making it a more scalable and cost-effective solution for real-world applications.

С **UCB-based Prompt Selection Strategy**

Evaluating the generated candidate prompts on the validation set \mathcal{D}_{val} is a computationally expensive 929 process. To minimize these computations, we have 931 used the Upper Confidence Bound (UCB) Bandit algorithm as mentioned in (Pryzant et al., 2023). This helps to minimize the number of prompts to be evaluated as well as the number of validation set samples to evaluate them on. This is done based 935

on the proposal distribution of prompt performance which is updated after each evaluation round. At the end top b prompts with highest weight in the distribution are selected.

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See Algorithm 2 for details, where $Q_t(p_i)$ is the estimated performance of prompt p_i at time step t, $N_t(p_i)$ is the total queries for prompt i so far at time t, and c is the exploration parameter.

Algorithm	2 UCB	Bandits	Candidate	Selection

Require <i>n</i> prompts $p_1, p_2,, p_n$, dataset \mathcal{D}_{val}, T time steps and metric function <i>m</i>
Initialize: $N_t(p_i) \leftarrow 0$ for all $i = 1,, n$
Initialize: $Q_t(p_i) \leftarrow 0$ for all $i = 1,, n$
for $t = 1, \dots, T$ do
Sample uniformly $\mathcal{D}_{sample} \subset \mathcal{D}_{val}$
$p_i \leftarrow \arg \max_p Q_t(p) + c \sqrt{\frac{\log t}{N_t(p)}}$
Observe reward $r_{i,t} = m(p_i, \mathcal{D}_{\text{sample}})$
$N_t(p_i) \leftarrow N_t(p_i) + \mathcal{D}_{\text{sample}} $
$Q_t(p_i) \leftarrow Q_t(p_i) + \frac{r_{i,t}}{N_t(p_i)}$
end for
return $SelectTop_b(Q_T)$

D **Task and Initial Prompt Statistics**

Table 10 presents the number of examples in the training, validation, and test sets for each task, offering an overview of the dataset size. Additionally, Table 6 in Appendix lists the word counts of the initial prompts used in each task, highlighting the length and complexity of these prompts. This information emphasizes the challenges posed by long and unstructured prompts, which require systematic optimization to ensure model performance. We have provided the list of initial prompts in Section L.

Ε **Critic and Actor Interactions in** SCULPT

This section illustrates the interactions between the Critic and Actor modules within SCULPT by presenting both the preliminary and error-assessment reflections, the Actor's responses to each type of feedback, and the resulting prompt updates. Specifically, we showcase how these actions contribute to prompt refinements during the first round of the Salient Translation task, demonstrating the iterative role of both modules in improving the prompt's clarity and alignment with task requirements.

Critic's Preliminary Assessment: Table 11 shows the preliminary feedback provided in round 1. The feedback identifies multiple areas for improvement, including adding examples for different types of translation errors and rephrasing certain parts of the prompt to enhance clarity and relevance.

	<pre>## Cause-and-Effect Recognition understand the association between cause and effect as it appears in common daily life scenarios. Understand the association between cause and effect in daily life scenarios. Consider situations where multiple agents or events contribute to an outcome and determine shared responsibility or the primary cause accordingly. * Recognize potential causes and effects within a given story. * Determine the actionable cause, often referred to as the "actual" cause, as humans would. Framework is an end to be cive to be often to flood 1. The playnet is inverse in the to be previse loce 1.</pre>	
i I I	Examples: {A heavy rain caused the city to flood.}, {The player's injury led to the team's loss.} * Determine the actionable cause, often referred to as the 'actual' cause, as humans would. Highlight the importance of communication and adherence to instructions in determining causality.	
1	Examples: {A band is performing at a concert. Did the concert receive a standing ovation because of the lead singer's performance? Yes, but the combined efforts of all band members, including the instrumentalists and backup singers, were significant in receiving the standing ovation.)	
 	* Recognize scenarios where multiple agents contribute to an event and determine shared responsibility. In such cases, no single agent can be solely responsible for the outcome.	
	Examples: {A team wins a relay race. Did the team win because of the final runner? No, the combined efforts of all team members contributed to the win.}	

Figure 6: Edits applied to the prompt using SCULPT, where strikethrough represents removed content and blue text indicates additions. These modifications involve example addition, node expansion, and instruction update.

Method	LLM Call	Input Tokens	Completion Tokens	Input Cost	Completion Cost	Total Cost
ProTeGi	1000	3.4M	0.7M	\$8.5	\$7	\$15
SCULPT	600	1.3M	0.4M	\$3	\$4	\$7

Table 5: Token usage and cost comparison of ProTeGi and SCULPT on Formal Fallacy task using GPT-40.

Task	# Words
Formal Fallacy	382
Causal Judgement	367
Salient Translation	279
Disambiguation	346
Inappropriate	2644
Hate	1554
Misinformation	1335
SelfHarm	933
BeaverTails	366
GoEmotions	509

Table 6: Number of words in the initial prompts

Method	ST	Dis	CJ	FF
Initial Prompt APE LAPE APEX OPRO ProTeGi	$62.3 \pm 1.0 \\ 51.0 \pm 1.6 \\ 52.7 \pm 4.0 \\ 62.7 \pm 0.6 \\ 64.6 \pm 2.0 \\ 65.5 \pm 3.4$	$74.1 \pm 0.774.3 \pm 1.178.0 \pm 1.061.5 \pm 2.275.1 \pm 1.474.8 \pm 1.2$	71.1 ± 0.1 71.8 ± 2.6 72.2 ± 3.3 70.5 ± 0.7 72.7 ± 1.1 68.9 ± 2.1	$80.2 \pm 1.4 75.3 \pm 2.5 81.3 \pm 0.3 80.6 \pm 1.3 80.7 \pm 2.1 70.1 \pm 3.9$
SCULPT _{NoAgg} SCULPT _{PA} SCULPT+RP SCULPT SCULPT SCULPT _{LAPE}	$65.2 \pm 1.1 66.2 \pm 2.1 67.6 \pm 1.9 68.8 \pm 1.5 66.8 \pm 2.2 $	77.3 ± 1.2 77.6 ± 1.9 78.0 ± 0.6 80.1 ± 1.9 81.1 ± 2.4	75.4 ± 2.4 76.9 ± 1.9 75.1 ± 2.0 75.9 ± 1.5 76.1 ± 1.9	83.1 ± 1.1 83.7 ± 1.1 84.7 ± 1.1 83.7 ± 2.5 86.5 ± 2.7

Table 7: Performance comparison using GPT-40 on BBH tasks

Method	Inapp	Misinfo	Hate	Selfharm
Initial Prompt APE LAPE APEX OPRO ProTeGi	$46.6 \pm 1.3 \\ 45.3 \pm 0.4 \\ 42.4 \pm 0.9 \\ 48.0 \pm 0.4 \\ 46.6 \pm 2.2 \\ 44.8 \pm 5.4$	$51.5 \pm 0.631.9 \pm 5.935.4 \pm 2.150.5 \pm 0.851.0 \pm 4.054.8 \pm 1.2$	$\begin{array}{c} 46.8 \pm 0.1 \\ 29.3 \pm 2.7 \\ 37.6 \pm 0.5 \\ 47.1 \pm 0.3 \\ 40.9 \pm 3.6 \\ 51.9 \pm 1.6 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 66.4 \pm 0.5 \\ 38.1 \pm 0.4 \\ 44.2 \pm 1.3 \\ 65.2 \pm 0.7 \\ 65.1 \pm 2.1 \\ 66.5 \pm 2.1 \end{array}$
SCULPT _{NoAgg} SCULPT _{PA} SCULPT+RP SCULPT SCULPT SCULPT _{LAPE}	53.6 ± 0.7 55.3 ± 0.7 55.0 ± 0.8 55.0 ± 0.8 48.2 ± 1.5	53.6 ± 2.5 56.7 ± 0.8 55.3 ± 2.4 54.9 ± 0.6 48.8 ± 2.3	51.9 ± 0.3 53.1 ± 0.3 52.9 ± 1.4 53.1 ± 1.2 44.5 ± 3.1	$65.5 \pm 0.9 \\ 68.8 \pm 0.3 \\ 69.0 \pm 1.8 \\ 68.5 \pm 1.0 \\ 61.8 \pm 1.4$

Table 8: Performance comparison using GPT-40 on RAI tasks

Method	BTails	GoE
Initial Prompt	41.8 ± 0.3	7.8 ± 0.4
APE	46.4 ± 3.4	0 ± 0
LAPE	39.1 ± 2.1	19.6 ± 1.3
APEX	40.7 ± 1.8	8.0 ± 0.1
OPRO	41.5 ± 1.4	11.8 ± 2.1
ProTeGi	45.3 ± 0.9	17.8 ± 0.1
SCULPT _{NoAgg}	49.6 ± 0.5	29.8 ± 1.9
SCULPTPA	49.3 ± 0.6	29.6 ± 1.3
SCULPT+RP	49.6 ± 0.6	22.4 ± 2.1
SCULPT	50.5 ± 0.4	30.6 ± 0.5
SCULPTLAPE	50.5 ± 2.6	30.6 ± 1.1

Table 9: Performance comparison using GPT-40 onGoEmotions and BeaverTails

Validation	Train	Test
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24	49	174
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Table 10: Dataset size information

Actor Response to Preliminary Assessment: The Actor module processes the Critic's feedback and suggests a set of actions, which are summarized in Table 12. One key action involves adding specific examples for "Named Entities" errors, while another focuses on rephrasing the task description in the 'Task > body' section for greater clarity.

Updated Prompt Based on Preliminary Assess-

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Figure 7: Action distribution across tasks of OPRO, ProTeGi and SCULPT.

ment: After applying the Preliminary Assessment, 982 983 notable improvements are observed in the prompt. The task description has been rephrased for clar-984 ity, and new examples for each translation error type have been added. See Table 15 for the updated prompt, which shows significant refinements 987 compared to the initial prompt in Table L.3.

Critic's Error Assessment: Table 13 provides the error assessment based on the Critic's evaluation of the prompt in response to specific model errors. 991 The reflection highlights areas where new examples need to be added and suggests rephrasing sections to clarify definitions of error types, ensuring fewer 995 ambiguities.

Actor Response to Error Assessment: In response to the error-assessment feedback, the Actor module suggests targeted actions, which are listed in Table 14. These include adding examples for error type 1 and rephrasing sections as needed to avoid confusion and improve clarity.

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Updated Prompt Based on Error Assessment: The updated prompt, following both initial assessments and error analysis from the first round, is presented in Table 16. In contrast to the original version (Table L.3), the revised prompt integrates additional examples and restructured sections. This demonstrates the capability of SCULPT to systematically refine prompts through controlled reflections and targeted adjustments.

Final Prompt Post-Optimization: The fully opti-1011 mized prompt, after the entire SCULPT optimiza-1012 tion process, is presented in Table 17. This refined 1013 version shows significant improvements over the 1014 initial prompt (Table L.3). Key enhancements in-1015 clude a clearer redefinition of error categories, re-1016 fined examples, and improved clarity in the final output classes. These adjustments, made after the Preliminary and Error Assessment updates (refer 1019 to Table 16), ensure that the user is guided more 1020 effectively through the task. This final prompt underscores the systematic nature of SCULPT's iter-1022 ative refinement process, showcasing its ability to optimize prompt design efficiently and effectively. 1024

F Action Types Distribution across tasks and steps

In Fig. 7, we present the distribution of action types applied by OPRO, ProTeGi, and SCULPT across different tasks, illustrating how each method handles prompt refinements.

Additionally, Figures 8 and 9 show the action 1031 distribution employed by SCULPT over successive 1032 optimization steps, providing insights into how the 1033 system refines prompts over time. Similarly, Fig-1034 ures 10 and 11 illustrate the stepwise action dis-1035 tribution for ProTeGi, highlighting differences in how the two methods evolve their optimizations 1037 throughout the process. 1038

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Prompt Reference

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 Error Identification> 5.> body
 Error Identification> 6.> body
 Performance Analysis> body
 Additional points> body
 Options> body

- Options> body
- Output format> body

- Add relevant examples to each error class to provide clarity.
- Simplify language where possible to make instructions clearer.
- Combine sections where appropriate to reduce redundancy and improve flow.

Table 11: Example of Preliminary Critic Reflection

Action Type	Section Reference	Action Description
Example Update- Addition	Error Identification> 1.	Add examples that illustrate 'Named entities' errors, such as changes in names, places, or locations. For instance, 'A person's name changed from John to Jack' or 'A city name changed from New York to Los Angeles'
"Section Rephrase"	"Task> body"	Your task is to identify the type of translation error in a given source-translation pair. You will be given sentences with specific errors manually introduced. Determine which of the six error classes the translation error belongs to.

Table 12: Actor Responses based on Preliminary Assessment

Input Example & Prediction	Prompt Reference	Error Assessment
Input: "Source: Eleonore Lingnau-Kluge war eine deutsche Malerin. Translation: Eleonore Lingnau-Kluge was a German dancer." Expected Output: "(F)" Prediction: "(D)"	- Error Identification> 1.> body - Error Identification> 5.> body - Error Identification> 6.> Examples	 Add examples that clearly differentiate factual errors from named entity changes. Clarify the definitions of each error class to avoid confusion.
"Input: "Source: Pedro Morenés y Álvarez de Eulate ist ein spanischer Politiker der Partido Popular. Translation: Pedro is a Spanish politician of the Popular Party." Expected Output: "(D)" Prediction: "(E)"	- Error Identification> 1.> body - Error Identification> 6.> Examples	 Add examples that highlight named entity changes, especially when names are shortened or altered.", Emphasize the importance of preserving named entities in translations.

Table 13: Error Assessment from Critic

Action Type	Section Reference	Action Description
Example Update- Addition	Error Identification> 1.> Examples	Add examples that highlight named entity changes, especially when names are shortened or altered. For instance: 'A politician's name changed from Pedro Morenés y Álvarez de Eulate to Pedro' and 'An actor's name changed from Martin Stephen McCann to McCann'.
Section Rephrase	Error Identification> 1.> body	Named entities: Look for changes in names, places, locations, etc. Ensure that names are preserved accurately, even when shortened or altered.

Table 14: Actor Response based on Error Assessment	Table 14:	Actor Res	ponse based	on Error	Assessment
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Task Your task is to identify the type of translation error in a given source-translation pair. You will be given sentences with specific errors manually introduced. Determine which of the six error classes the translation error belongs to. # Error Identification Analyze the source-translation pair and identify the error based on the following classes: * Named entities: Look for changes in names, places, locations, etc. Examples: A company name changed from Apple to Microsoft, A country name changed from France to Germany, A person's name changed from John to Jack, A city name changed from New York to Los Angeles * Numerical values: Check for alterations in numbers, dates, or units. Examples: A date changed from 2021 to 2020, A price changed from \$50 to \$55, A time changed from 3 PM to 4 PM, A measurement unit changed from meters to feet, A quantity changed from 100 to 150 * Modifiers or adjectives: Identify changes in descriptors pertaining to a noun. Examples: The adjective changed from big to small., The descriptor changed from red to blue., The modifier changed from happy to sad., The descriptor changed from old to new., The adjective changed from tall to short. * Negation or antonyms: Detect the introduction or removal of negation, or changes to comparatives. Examples: The comparative changed from 'less important' to 'more important'., The negation changed from 'is not' to 'is'., The phrase changed from 'He is not happy' to 'He is happy'., The comparative changed from 'better' to 'worse'., The sentence changed from 'She never goes to the gym' to 'She always goes to the gym'. * Facts: Spot trivial factual errors not covered by the above classes. Examples: The fact changed from The capital of France is Paris to The capital of France is Berlin, The fact changed from Humans have 206 bones in their body to Humans have 210 bones in their body, The fact changed from The Great Wall of China is visible from space to The Great Wall of China is not visible from space * Dropped content: Notice if a significant clause is missing from the translation. Examples: {A city name changed from 'Berlin' to 'Munich' would be a 'Named entities' error}, {A date changed from '1990' to '1989' would be a 'Numerical values' error} # Performance Analysis Understand that language models perform differently across error classes: * Models like XLM-Roberta may struggle with named entities, dropped content, and modifiers/adjectives. \star XNLI models also show poor performance on named entities and dropped content. # Additional points Keep in mind the following points while identifying errors: * Ensure minimal impact on translation fluency while identifying errors. * Focus on salient source information to detect errors effectively. \star Remember that each translation contains only one of the six error classes. # Options (A) Modifiers or Adjectives (B) Numerical Values (C) Negation or Antonyms (D) Named Entities (E) Dropped Content (F) Facts # Output format Provide the right error option '(Option Number)' that the translation contains.

Table 15: Updated Prompt after Preliminary Assessment. Instruction update are highlighted in blue, Example Addition are marked with mahogany color, and Node Expansion are marked in green.

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Your task is to identify the type of translation error in a given source-translation pair. You will be given sentences with specific errors manually introduced. Determine which of the six error classes the translation error belongs to.
Error Identification
Analyze the source-translation pair and identify the error based on the following classes:
* Named entities: Look for changes in names, places, locations, etc. Ensure that names are preserved accurately, even when shortened or altered.
Examples: A politician's name changed from Pedro Morenés y Álvarez de Eulate to Pedro, A company name changed from Apple to Microsoft, An actor's name changed from Martin Stephen McCann to McCann, A country name changed from France to Germany, A person's name changed from John to Jack, A city name changed from New York to Los Angeles
 * Numerical values: Check for alterations in numbers, dates, or units. Ensure that numerical values are preserved accurately.
<pre>Examples: A date changed from 2021 to 2020, A price changed from \$50 to \$55, A time changed from 3 PM to 4 PM, The population number changed from 5491 to 5000, A measurement unit changed from meters to feet, A quantity changed from 100 to 150 * Modifiers or adjectives: Identify changes in descriptors pertaining to a noun. Ensure that descriptive</pre>
terms are preserved accurately.
Examples: The adjective changed from big to small., The descriptor changed from red to blue., The modifier changed from happy to sad., The description changed from small town to city., The descriptor changed from old to new., The nationality changed from German to French., The adjective changed from tall to short.
* Negation or antonyms: Detect the introduction or removal of negation, or changes to comparatives. Ensure that negation and antonyms are preserved accurately.
Examples: The comparative changed from 'less important' to 'more important'., The negation changed from 'is not' to 'is'., The description changed from rural to urban., The phrase changed from 'He is not happy' to 'He is happy'., The comparative changed from 'better' to 'worse'., The sentence changed from 'She never goes to the gym' to 'She always goes to the gym'. * Facts: Spot trivial factual errors not covered by the above classes. Ensure that factual information
remains accurate and unchanged.
Examples: The fact changed from The Pacific Ocean is the largest ocean to The Atlantic Ocean is the largest ocean, The fact changed from The Earth orbits the Sun to The Sun orbits the Earth, The fact changed from The Great Wall of China is visible from space to The Great Wall of China is not visible from space, The fact changed from The capital of France is Paris to The capital of France is Berlin, The fact changed from Humans have 206 bones in their body to Humans have 210 bones in their body
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Performance Analysis
Understand that language models perform differently across error classes:
 Models like XLM-Roberta may struggle with named entities, dropped content, and modifiers/adjectives. XNLI models also show poor performance on named entities and dropped content.
Additional points
Keep in mind the following points while identifying errors:
 * Ensure minimal impact on translation fluency while identifying errors. * Focus on salient source information to detect errors effectively.
* Remember that each translation contains only one of the six error classes.
Options (A) Modifiers or Adjectives
(B) Numerical Values(C) Negation or Antonyms
<pre>(D) Named Entities (E) Dropped Content (F) Fact</pre>
Output format Provide the right error option '(Option Number)' that the translation contains.

Table 16: Updated Prompt after Error Assessment. Instruction update are highlighted in blue, Example Addition are marked with mahogany color, and Node Expansion are marked in green.

Task

- Your task is to identify the type of translation error in a given source-translation pair. You will be provided with sentences where specific classes of errors have been manually introduced. Determine which of the six error classes the translation error belongs to: Named entities, Numerical values, Modifiers or adjectives, Negation or antonyms, Facts, and Dropped content.
- Examples: The name 'John' was changed to 'James' in the translation, which is a 'Named entities' error., The word 'happy' was translated as 'sad', which is a 'Negation or antonyms' error., The number '50' was translated as '15', which is a 'Numerical values' error.

Error Identification

- Analyze the provided source-translation pair and identify the error based on the following classes: * Named entities: Look for changes in names, places, locations, scientific names, classifications, etc. This includes any change to a name, including shortening, omission, or alteration of specific locations. Pay attention to changes in classifications that might alter the meaning or context of the sentence.
- Examples: The name 'New York' was changed to 'NY', indicating a 'Named entities' error., The phrase 'United States' was modified to 'USA', indicating a 'Named entities' error., The term 'California' was altered to 'CA', indicating a 'Named entities' error., The name 'Boyd Kevin Rutherford' was reduced to 'Boyd' in the translation, indicating a 'Named entities' error., The term 'Rabenvogel' was incorrectly translated as 'Columbine family', changing the classification. * Numerical values: Check for alterations in numbers, dates, or units, and ensure that no numerical information is omitted.
- This includes any change, omission, or alteration of numerical data. Pay attention to omissions that might alter the meaning or context of the sentence.
- Examples: The date '2021' was omitted., The number '100' was changed to 'one hundred'., The unit 'kg' was altered to 'kilogram'., The dates were omitted, losing important context., The population '5491' was omitted, which is a numerical value.
- * Modifiers or adjectives: Identify changes in descriptors pertaining to a noun that are not necessarily antonyms. This includes changes in descriptors such as nationality, type, usage, or any other descriptive attribute. Pay attention to changes that might alter the meaning or context of the sentence.
- Examples: The adjective 'quick' was changed to 'speedy' in the report., The term 'Rosenmontagszug' was translated as 'Rose Procession', changing the descriptor., The phrase 'modern' was altered to 'contemporary' in the article., The adjective 'happy' was changed to 'joyful' in the sentence.
- * Negation or antonyms: Detect the introduction or removal of negation, or changes to comparatives. This includes any change that introduces or removes a negative meaning or alters the comparative degree of an adjective or adverb. Pay attention to antonyms that might alter the meaning or context of the sentence.
- Examples: Changing 'more important' to 'less important' is a comparative change., Changing 'Obere' to 'Lower' is an antonym., Changing 'living' to 'extinct' is an antonym., Changing 'He is not interested' to 'He is interested' would be a 'Negation or antonyms' error., Changing 'better' to 'worse' is a comparative change.
- * Facts: Spot trivial factual errors not covered by the above classes. This includes changes to factual information such as professions. Pay attention to errors that might alter the factual accuracy of the sentence.
- Examples: Asserting that 'Neil Armstrong was the first person to climb Mount Everest' instead of 'Neil Armstrong was the first person to walk on the moon' is a 'Facts' error., Saying 'The Great Wall of China is located in India' instead of 'The Great Wall of China is located in China' is a 'Facts' error., Stating that 'The capital of France is Berlin' instead of 'The capital of France is Paris' is a 'Facts' error., Claiming that 'Albert Einstein was a famous painter' instead of 'Albert Einstein was a famous physicist' is a 'Facts' error., Stating that 'The Amazon River is the longest river in the world' instead of 'The Nile River is the longest river in the world' is a 'Facts' error.
- * Dropped content: Identify if a significant clause or important information is missing from the translation. Pay attention to omissions that might alter the meaning or context of the sentence.
- Examples: The clause 'which is located in the heart of the city' is omitted, losing important location context., The phrase 'including taxes' is omitted, which is crucial for understanding the total cost., The information 'who is a renowned scientist' is missing, which provides important context about the individual.

Performance Analysis

Understand that existing language models have varying performance across different error classes:

- * Models like XLM-Roberta may struggle with named entities, dropped content, and modifiers/adjectives.
- * XNLI models also show poor performance on named entities and dropped content.

Additional points

* Ensure minimal impact on translation fluency while identifying errors. * Focus on salient source information to detect errors effectively. * Remember that each translation contains only one of the six error classes. # Options (A) Modifiers or Adjectives (B) Numerical Values (C) Negation or Antonyms (D) Named Entities (E) Dropped Content (F) Facts ## Options Explanation Explanation of each option: (A) Modifiers or Adjectives: Changes in descriptors pertaining to a noun. (B) Numerical Values: Alterations in numbers, dates, or units. (C) Negation or Antonyms: Introduction or removal of negation, or changes to comparatives. (D) Named Entities: Changes in names, places, locations, etc. (E) Dropped Content: Missing significant clauses from the translation. (F) Facts: Trivial factual errors not covered by the above classes. # Output format Provide the correct error option (A-F) that the translation contains.

Table 17: Updated Prompt at the end of Optimization process. Instruction update are highlighted in blue, Example Addition are marked with mahogany color, strike through indicates Node Pruning, and Node Expansion are marked in green.



Figure 8: Action distribution over optimization steps in SCULPT



Figure 9: Action distribution over optimization steps in SCULPT



Figure 10: Action distribution over optimization steps in ProTeGi



Figure 11: Action distribution over optimization steps in ProTeGi

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Forward Generation

I gave a friend an instruction and {NumExamples} inputs. The friend read the instruction and wrote an output for every one of the inputs. Given, the input-output pairs, generate an instruction which is the output. Generate the output between the <INSTRUCT> and <ENDINSTRUCT> Tags.

Reverse Generation

I instructed my friend to <INSERT>. The friend read the instruction and wrote an output for every one of the inputs. Given the input and output pairs, complete the <INSERT> instruction. Generate the output between the <INSTRUCT> and <ENDINSTRUCT> Tags.

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Forward Generation

I gave a friend a detailed instruction in markdown format and {NumExamples} inputs. The instructions has the following markdown structure with proper white spaces-

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# <Heading 1>
<body>
## <Heading 1.1>
<body>
Examples: {example 1}, {example 2}
* <bullet point 1>
* <bullet point 2>
Examples: {example 1}, {example 2}, {example 3}
* <bullet point 3>
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# <Heading 2>
* <bullet point 1>
* <bullet point 2>
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The friend read the instruction and wrote an output for every one of the inputs. The instruction had several sections, each describing what output to generate for a given input. Each section also has examples to assist my friend.

Given the input-output pairs, generate an instruction which is the output. For each section, you can either use the same input-output pairs to write relevant examples, or you can use your best knowledge to create examples according to the observed input-output pairs. Do not use the input-output pairs directly as provided, you have to maintain the structure of the instruction intact with added examples by keeping each input text in its own in curly brackets and each curly bracketed example separated by comma, and ignore the output if the section describes labelling condition for given output label. Ensure that proper line separation is maintained for readability. Do not reproduce the tags like $\langle body \rangle$, $\langle bullet point 1 > etc, those represent placeholder for relevant content in the instruction. Generate the output between the <math display="inline">\langle INSTRUCT >$ and $\langle ENDINSTRUCT >$ Tags.

Reverse Generation

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I instructed my friend to <INSERT>. The instructions looked something like this-

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Examples: {example 1}, {example 2}, {example 3}

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The friend read the instruction and wrote an output for every one of the inputs. Given the input and output pairs, complete the <INSERT> instruction.For each section, you can either use the same input-output pairs to write relevant examples, or you can use your best knowledge to create examples according to the observed input-output pairs. Do not use the input-output pairs directly as provided, you have to maintain the structure of the instruction intact with added examples by keeping each input text in its own in curly brackets and each curly bracketed example separated by comma, and ignore the output if the section describes labelling condition for given output label. Ensure that proper line separation is maintained for readability. Do not reproduce the tags like <body>, <bullet point 1> etc, those represent placeholder for relevant content in the instruction. Generate the output between the <INSTRUCT> and <ENDINSTRUCT> Tags.

I SCULPT Prompt Templates for Critic and Actor

In this section, we present the prompt templates that were utilized for generating the Critic and Actor responses using a large language model (LLM). These templates serve as the foundation for eliciting structured feedback from the Critic and actionable suggestions from the Actor during the iterative prompt optimization process in SCULPT.

I.1 Critic Template for Preliminary Assessment

Step-by-Step Instructions:

Read the Input Prompt Thoroughly:

 Begin by carefully reading the entire input prompt along with its specific details. Make sure to understand the task at hand, including any requirements or constraints provided.

. **General Feedback**:

Provide comprehensive feedback on the input prompt to enhance its effectiveness in each of the following areas:

* Contextual Errors: Identify specific inaccuracies or mistakes that may lead to misunderstandings. * Incorrect or Irrelevant Examples: Highlight any incorrect

* Incorrect or Irrelevant Examples: Highlight any incorrect or misplaced examples within the prompt. Note that no section should contain more than 5-6 examples.

 \star Gaps in Information: Point out any missing details or context that could clarify the task for the user, ensuring they have all necessary information.

* Potential Improvements: Suggest ways to improve the prompt for better clarity and impact. This could include simplifying language, adding relevant examples, or outlining a clear sequence of steps. Ensure the prompt is efficient, concise, and free from redundant information.

 \star Grammar and Syntax: Note any spelling or grammatical errors that could cause confusion, as well as poorly constructed sentences that may obscure the intended meaning.

 * Prompt Length: The prompt should be concise. Provide feedback around optimizing its length while maintaining clarity.
 * Other Issues: Identify any other areas where the prompt could be improved.

- ## Input Format:
- **Example Prompt**
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Output Format:

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{"prompt_feedback": [{"prompt_examination": "<prompt_examination>", "improvement_suggestion": ["<improvement_suggestion>", ...]}, ...], "prompt_references": ["<prompt_reference>", ...]}

I.2 Critic Template for Error Assessment

Task

Evaluate the performance of the input prompt and provide explanations, identify the parts of the prompt used for predictions, and offer feedback for improvement.

Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. **Read the Input Prompt Thoroughly**:

- Begin by carefully reading the entire input prompt along with its specific details. Make sure to understand the task at hand, including any requirements or constraints provided.

2. **Batch Feedback**:

Based on `Batch Evaluations` where the model has generated wrong predictions, provide feedback to improve the performance of the prompt by following these steps:

* Understanding the Context (prediction_explanation):

- Start by clearly stating the input, expected output (ground_truth), and model's actual prediction. Example format: 'Input: '<input text>', 'Expected Output: '<ground_truth>'`, 'Prediction: 'rediction>'`.

- Analyze why the model generated this prediction by identifying specific words, phrases, or contextual cues from the input.

- Highlight the sections of the input or prompt that likely influenced the prediction using `prompt_references`.

* Analysis and Feedback (prompt_feedback):

The feedback should include the details about each of these steps:

- `prediction_analysis`: Always include a clear analysis comparing the model's prediction with the expected output. Mention what the correct label should have been and highlight any discrepancies.

`prompt_examination`: Always analyze the prompt step-by-step, identifying specific sections that may have caused the error (e.g., unclear instructions, ambiguous wording). Explain how these issues led to the incorrect label.

- `improvement_suggestions`: Provide multi-step feedback outlining all possible actions to address identified issues and explain how these changes will result in the correct label. Possible actions can include:

- Rephrasing unclear instructions.

- Removing redundancy.

- Adding clarity or details.

- Revising tone or structure for better flow.

- Modifying examples: Remove bad examples, add or refine

better examples, ensuring no section exceeds 5-6 examples.

* Prompt references (`prompt_references`):

Include references to the specific parts of the prompt that may have contributed to errors.

Input Format:

Example Prompt

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 "cbody>"}...;"<Heading</td>
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Example Batch Evaluations

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{"prompt": "The current prompt being used.","input_data": [{"id": "<unique id>","input": "<input text>","prediction": "<output generated by the model>","ground_truth": "<correct</pre> output>"},...]}

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Output Format:

<u>j</u>son [{"id": "<unique id>", "prediction_explanation": "<explanation for prediction>","prompt_feedback": {"prediction_analysis": "<prediction_analysis>", "prompt_examination": "<prompt_examination>", "improvement_suggestions": ["<improvement_suggestions>", ...]},"prompt_references": ["Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1> body","Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1> body","Heading 1.2> body","Heading 2> body>"]},...]

I.3 Critic Template for Error Assessment using Similarity-driven Aggregation

Task Overview

Evaluate a set of prompts, predictions, and ground truths. Provide detailed feedback on each case and group related feedback into clusters based on common patterns or prompt references.

Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. **Read the Input Prompt Thoroughly**:

- Begin by carefully reading the entire input prompt along with its specific details. Make sure to understand the task at hand, including any requirements or constraints provided.

2. **Batch Feedback**:

Based on `Batch Evaluations` where the model has generated wrong predictions, provide feedback to improve the performance of the prompt by following these steps:

* Understanding the Context (prediction_explanation):

- Start by clearly stating the input, expected output (ground_truth), and model's actual prediction. Example format: `Input: '<input text>'`, `Expected Output: '<ground_truth>'`, Prediction: '<prediction>'`.

- Analyze why the model generated this prediction by identifying specific words, phrases, or contextual cues from the input.

- Highlight the sections of the input or prompt that likely influenced the prediction using `prompt_references`.

* Analysis and Feedback (`prompt feedback`):

The feedback should include the details about each of these

comparing the model's prediction with the expected output. Mention what the correct label should have been and highlight any discrepancies.

 `prompt_examination`: Always analyze the prompt step-by-step, identifying specific sections that may have caused the error (e.g., unclear instructions, ambiguous wording). Explain how these issues led to the incorrect label.

`improvement_suggestions`: Provide multi-step feedback outlining all possible actions to address identified issues and explain how these changes will result in the correct label. Possible actions can include:

- Rephrasing unclear instructions.
- Removing redundancy.
- Adding clarity or details.

- Revising tone or structure for better flow. - Modifying examples: Remove bad examples, add or refine

better examples, ensuring no section exceeds 5-6 examples.

* Prompt references (`prompt_references`):

Include references to the specific parts of the prompt that may have contributed to errors.

* Cluster Feedback:

- Group related feedback into {number_of_clusters} clusters based on patterns such as:

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- Shared sections of the prompt that influenced the predictions.

- Expected output `ground_truth`.

- Similar types of input data or prediction behavior. - Each cluster should include:
- A list of explanations for the inputs in the cluster.

- A specific list of feedback relevant to the cluster. - Clear `prompt_references` pointing to sections that could be revised or improved.

Input Format:

Example Prompt

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Example Batch Evaluations

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{"prompt": "The current prompt being used.","input_data": [{"id": "<unique id>","input": "<input text>","prediction": "<output generated by the model>","ground_truth": "<correct</pre> output>"},...]}

Output Format:

The output must consists of a list of maximum {number_of_clusters} clusters, each identified by a unique `id`.

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"improvement_suggestions":
"improvement_suggestions": ["<improvement_suggestions for cluster 1>", ...]}, "prompt_references": ["Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1> body", "Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1> 2.> body", "Heading 1> Heading 1.2> body", "Heading 2> body"]},...]

I.4 Actor Module Template

Task

Use the provided critic feedback to enhance the effectiveness of a prompt. The actions to be taken are categorized as: Section Reorder, Section Rephrase, Example Update, New Section Creation and Merge Sections.

Example Prompt Structure

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Step-by-Step Instructions for Enhancing a Prompt

1. **Thoroughly Review the Input Prompt**:

- Read the entire prompt carefully, ensuring you grasp all details, requirements, and constraints. Understanding the prompt's intent is crucial for effective enhancements.

2. **Analyze Critic Feedback**:

- **Examine Feedback**: Look closely at the feedback provided, including:

- **Prediction Explanation**: Understand how the model interpreted the prompt and why it arrived at a specific prediction.

- **Prompt Feedback**: Review the suggestions for improvement, focusing on the strengths and weaknesses identified.

- **Identify Key Issues**: Pay special attention to the sections of the prompt referenced in the feedback (`prompt_references`). Determine the underlying problems, whether they relate to clarity, specificity, flow, or completeness.

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3. **Determine Appropriate Actions**:

- **Section Reorder**: Consider rearranging sections if their current order disrupts clarity or logical flow. Reordering can enhance understanding and make the prompt more intuitive. **Note**: Just the `body` or `Examples` cannot be reordered. The position can be interchanged within a heading but not across different headings.

- **Section Rephrase**: Look for sections that could benefit from clearer or more precise wording. Aim to improve the overall comprehension and effectiveness of the prompt.

- **Example Update**: Assess the examples provided. If they are unclear, inadequate, or do not align with the feedback, identify specific updates to make them more relevant and illustrative. - Types of Updates:

Addition: Suggest specific new examples that align better with the prompt's goals or themes. Clearly describe what the new examples should illustrate. **Note**: Ensure that any section does not contain more than 5-6 examples.

- **Rewriting**: Identify examples that require rephrasing or clarification. Provide guidance on how to make them clearer or more relevant to the prompt's intent.

- **Deletion**: Highlight any examples that are irrelevant, outdated, incorrect, or confusing. Explain why they should be removed to enhance the clarity of the prompt. - **Delete Section**: Identify any sections that are redundant,

irrelevant, or no longer needed. Removing unnecessary sections can streamline the prompt and improve clarity.

- **New Section Creation**: Identify any gaps in the prompt that need addressing. Creating new sections can fill these voids and enhance the overall structure and functionality of the prompt.

Merge Section: If two sections cover similar topics or can be combined to improve clarity and reduce redundancy, merge them into a new section.

4. **Implement Actions**:

- **For Section Reorder**:

`section_reference`: Specify which section should be reordered based on feedback.

`new_position`: Indicate where this section should be moved to improve flow.

- `action_explanation`: Explain how this reordering addresses the feedback and enhances prompt clarity.

- **For Section Rephrase**:

- `section_reference`: Identify the section needing rephrasing.

- 'updated_section': Provide the revised wording for that section.
 - `key`: The updated title or heading.
 - `value`: The rephrased content.
 - `value`: Clarify how the

- `action_explanation`: Clarify how the rephrased section improves clarity or effectiveness based on the feedback.

- **For Example Update**: (as outlined above)

- `section_reference`: Specify which section's examples need updating.

`update_type`: Include details on adding, revising, or removing examples.

`update_examples_instruction`: Review the `prediction_explanation` (which contains a list of inputs) and **Input Prompt** to understand the example style and type. Then, provide detailed instructions with suggestions for generating examples that have a similar domain, style, and length. **Reminder**: No section should have more than 5-6

examples. - `action_explanation`: Justify the updates based on

- **For Delete Section**:

`section_reference`: Specify which section should be deleted.

- `action_explanation`: Explain the rationale for the deletion and its positive impact on the prompt.

- **For New Section Creation**:

- `section_position`: State where the new section should be inserted in the prompt structure.

- `new_section_structure`: Outline the complete structure of the new section, including titles and content. **Note**: new

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 - `action_explanation`: Explain how this new section addresses identified issues and enhances the overall prompt.

- **For Merge Section**:

 $\-$ `section_reference_merged`: List the two sections references to be merged.

- `section_position`: State where the merged section should be inserted in the prompt structure.

- `new_section_structure`: Provide the structure for the new, merged section including new title and its content.

 `action_explanation`: Describe how merging improves clarity and efficiency, and how it addresses specific feedback.

Input Format (Critic Feedback):

- `prediction_explanation`: An explanation for the model's prediction, including `prompt_references` to sections of the prompt that influenced the prediction.

- `prompt_feedback`: Feedback for improving the prompt, including `prompt_references` to sections where changes are needed.

- `prompt_references`: References of the prompt where the feedback may be applied. Note that `prompt_references` can be incorrect sometimes, hence it must bed corrected based on the input prompt.

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[{"id": "<unique id>","prediction_explanation": "<explanation for prediction>","prompt_feedback": ["<feedback 1 for improvement>","<feedback 2 for improvement>"],"prompt_references": ["Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1> body>","Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1> 2.> body","Heading 1> Heading 1.2> body>","Heading 2> body>"]},...]

Output Details:

The output provides a comprehensive plan for modifying the prompt to address the issues identified in the critic feedback. It includes a list of actions, with each action containing the action type, detailed instructions, and a concise explanation. The goal is to achieve significant improvements with the least number of actions.

Output Structure:

Below is an example output structure.

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"Section {"actions": [{"action\_type": Reorder" 'action\_details": "Heading {"section\_reference": 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1", "new\_position": "Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.4"," action\_explanation": "Heading "<concise explanation>"};{"action\_type": "Section Rephrase", "action\_details": {"section\_reference": "Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1> body", "updated\_section": {"key": "body", "concise explanation": {"section\_reference": "Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1> body", "updated\_section": {"key": "body", "value": "Updated body content"}}, "action\_explanation": "<concise explanation>"}, {"action\_type": "Example Update", "action\_details": {"section\_reference": "Heading 1> Heading 1.2> Heading 1.2.1> 1.', "update\_type": "<update\_type", "update\_examples\_instruction": "<example update instruction>"), "action\_explanation": "<concise explanation>"},{"action\_type": "New Section Creation", "action\_details": {"section\_position": 1> "new\_section\_structure": "Heading Heading 1.2", "" "Examples": ["body : "...], "1.":{"body":"<New
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"" "Additional and the second sec 1.3>":{"body": "<New section body content>" "1.":{"body":"<New instruction instruction "action\_explanation": "<concise explanation>"},{"action\_type": "Merge "action\_details": Section" {"section\_reference\_merged": Heading 1.2> Heading 1 1.3"], "section\_position": 1> Heading 1.2.1", ["Heading "Heading "Heading Heading 1> 1> {"<Merged 1.3", Heading "new\_section\_structure": section Heading>":{"body": "<Merged section body content>", "Examples": ["<example>",...]}}}, "action\_explanation": "<concise explanation>"}]}

## **I.5** Rephrasing Template

# Instructions to Generate a New Prompt

\*\*Follow the provided structure\*\*: Ensure the newly generated prompt follows this specific structure, using markdown formatting:

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## Prompt Repharsing Guidelines:

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\* Ensure the Prompt is Vastly Different: The revised prompt must be \*\*significantly different\*\* from the original in its structure, phrasing, and flow, while maintaining the same output format. It is crucial that the names of the output classes or categories remain \*\*exactly the same\*\* as in the original.

\* Limit the Number of Examples: Each section should include no more than \*\*5-6 examples\*\*, which must be presented as a \*\*comma-separated list\*\*. Ensure that all examples are directly relevant to the task at hand.

\* Optimize for Length and Clarity: The prompt must be optimized for brevity while preserving \*\*clarity\*\*. Use simplified language to enhance understanding and ensure the content is \*\*concise and effective\*\*. Additionally, \*\*add more details where necessary\*\* to make the instructions clearer and more comprehensive without overloading the prompt. Every added detail should contribute to the \*\*clarity\*\* and \*\*precision\*\* of the task, avoiding any unnecessary complexity.

\* Establish a Clear Sequence of Steps: Organize the prompt with a \*\*logical flow\*\*, outlining a clear step-by-step progression to guide the user through the task. Avoid redundant information to ensure the process remains \*\*efficient\*\*.

\* Avoid Redundancy: Remove any repetitive or unnecessary information. Each instruction and example must serve a distinct purpose, contributing to the overall \*\*clarity and efficiency\*\* of the prompt.

 $\star$  Enhance Example Relevance: All examples must align with the task's objectives. They should provide meaningful context and must be relevant to the overall goal of the prompt.

## J Action Identification in OPRO and ProTeGi Optimization

In this section, we describe the process used to identify and cluster the actions taken by OPRO and ProTeGi during successive prompt updates. Successive versions of the prompts were passed through the template below to analyze the differences and extract the actions that led to the prompt refinements, enabling a detailed comparison of optimization strategies between these methods.

# Task

You are given 2 prompts, `Prompt Before` and `Prompt After`. `Prompt After` is generated by taking some action on `Prompt Before`. Your task is to find those actions that have been applied.

The following actions are possible:

1. \*\*Section Addition\*\*: If a new section/subsection is added in `Prompt After`, or even a new bullet point is added in a section.

section. 1676 4. \*\*Section Reordering\*\*: If the order of sections/subsections 1677 is changed in `Prompt After`. Reordering is only possible between 1678 sections/subsections. If two bullet points are swapped, it is considered as modification. 5. \*\*Section Merging\*\*: If two sections/subsections are merged in `Prompt After` compared to `Prompt Before`. 1681 6. \*\*Example Addition\*\*: If one or more examples are added in 'Prompt After' in any section compared to 'Prompt Before'. If 1683 examples are added to two different sections/subsections, it is considered as two actions. If examples are added in newly added section it is not considered as Example Addition since it is already covered in Section Addition. 1688 7. \*\*Example Deletion\*\*: If one or more examples are deleted Output format: in `Prompt After` compared to `Prompt Before`. If examples are deleted from two different sections/subsections, it # Task is considered as two actions. If all the examples of a section/subsection are deleted, it is considered as Example 1693 Deletion. # <Section 1> 1694 8. \*\*Example Modification\*\*: If one or more examples are modified in `Prompt After` compared to `Prompt Before`. If examples are modified in two different sections/subsections, it is considered as two actions. \* <Bullet Point 2> You have to generate two things: \*\*Underlying Diff\*\* and the 1700 count for each action taken. The Overall Action name should be 1701 crisp and clear. 1702 # <Section 2> 1703 The underlying differences should be detailed and clear. Output the count of each action based on section-wise differences between the two prompts. Both prompts will have a markdown \* Point 1 1706 structure. \* Point 2.... 1707 Do not make up any sections or examples or any actions by yourself. Only consider the differences that are present in 1709 the prompts. # Example Output Format: 1711 L ···json { 1714 "Section Addition": 0, "Section Deletion": 0 "Section Modification": 0, "Section Reordering": 0, "Section Merging": 0, "Example Addition": 0, "Example Deletion": 0, 1721 "Example Modification": 0. "Underlying Diff": [ "<Describe the differences between Prompt Before and Prompt After in detail for action 1>" 1725 ] } **BBH Prompt Generation** Κ 1728 L.1 The initial prompts for the BBH tasks were gener-1729 # Task ated using a prompt-based method. Key sections 1730 from the README files of each task were provided 1731 negation. as input to a model, which was then instructed to 1732 generate detailed prompts. These prompts included 1733 structured examples and followed a markdown for-1734 mat, ensuring clarity and consistency for each task. This approach allowed for the creation of tailored, comprehensive prompts aligned with the require-1737 ments of each BBH task. 1738 connectors. Task is to develop a prompt based on README of a scenario such 1740 that a Language model can understand the task and answer the 1741 relevant questions based on the task. You are not to describe 1742 the task in the prompt, instead you have to write the prompt 1743 such that it is self explainatory. 1744 For different type of cases of the scenario, sections instructing on what to do in those cases should be curated. Prompt should schemes guide the Language model to solve the task with high accuracy. 1747

The prompt should be very detailed describing all the details 1748 of the scenario. The prompt should be structured properly with - a clear instruction to the Language model on what to do

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sections describing subcategories of the task.

Examples for each section if needed. Subsections of each section if needed.

- Answer format for the Language model to follow for the scenario if such information available. Do NOT fabricate the answer format if not available in README.

Any additional important points to take care of for the Language model if needed.

The prompt should be written like a README file with proper formatting. The examples must be enclosed in curly braces and separated by a comma.

<Basic task description and the role Language model has to play for the given task> ....

<Description of Section 1>

\* <Bullet Point related to Section 1 that should be considered> Examples: {Example 1},{Example 2}

## <Subsection 1>

<Description of Subsection 1>

\* <Bullet Point>

Examples: {Example 1}, {Example 2}

# Additional points

## **Initial Prompts**

The initial prompts for the RAI tasks are particularly long due to the need to address a wide range of complex scenarios. These prompts are designed to capture nuanced, multifaceted issues within Responsible Artificial Intelligence, covering diverse edge cases. For a detailed breakdown of prompt lengths, please refer to Table 6. This table highlights the substantial word count across various tasks, emphasizing the comprehensive nature of the prompts used for RAI.

## **Formal Fallacies**

Evaluate arguments presented informally in text for deductive validity based on explicitly stated premises. Determine if the argument is valid or invalid, focusing on the correct use of

# Validity Assessment

- Analyze the argument structure and the use of negation to determine deductive validity.
- \* Consider the premises and conclusion.

\* Pay attention to the logical connectors and negators. Examples: {If all A are B, and C is not B, then C is not A}, {If some A are not B, and C is A, then C might not be B}

# Fallacious Arguments

Identify common fallacies involving negation and logical

- \* Distinguish between necessary and sufficient conditions.
- \* Apply de Morgan's laws correctly.

Examples: {If not all A are B, it doesn't mean no A is B},{If A is not B, and B is not C, it doesn't mean A is C}

# Argument Schemes

Evaluate arguments based on the provided valid and invalid

\* Use the schemes as a reference for valid logical structures. \* Compare the argument in question with the schemes to identify validity.

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# Linguistic Diversity

Consider the different linguistic renderings of the same logical formula.

\* Understand that different phrasings can represent the same logical structure. \* Do not let linguistic variations mislead the assessment of

validitv. Examples: {Every F who is a G is not a H},{No F who is a G is a

H}

#### # Domains

Assess arguments within the context of different domains.

\* Apply the same logical principles across various domains. \* Recognize that the domain does not affect the deductive validity.

Examples: {Ancestry relations}, {Football club fandom}

#### # Caveats

Be aware of misleading presentations of arguments.

\* Arguments may be presented as valid even if they are fallacious. \* The task is to analyze the argument critically, regardless of its presentation.

Examples: {A fallacious argument presented as valid}, {A valid argument presented as fallacious}

# Additional Points

\* Focus on the logical structure, not the content of the argument. \* Be consistent in applying logical principles across all arguments.

\* Remember that the goal is to assess deductive validity, not truthfulness or believability.

# Output Format

Evaluate each statement below and determine whether it is valid or invalid.

## L.2 Causal Judgement

# Task

The task is to read a short story involving multiple cause-effect events and answer causal questions such as "Did X cause Y?" in a manner consistent with human reasoning. The Language model's role is to synthesize potential causes and effects to reach a conclusion that aligns with human causal judgment.

# Cause-and-Effect Recognition

Understand the association between cause and effect as it appears in common daily life scenarios.

\* Recognize potential causes and effects within a given story. \* Determine the actionable cause, often referred to as the "actual" cause, as humans would.

Examples: {A heavy rain caused the city to flood.},{The player's injury led to the team's loss.}

# Causal Judgment

Evaluate the factors influencing human causal judgments such as norm violation, intentionality, morality, and counterfactual scenarios.

\* Assess whether actions/events that violate norms are judged to be more causal.

\* Consider the role of intentionality in determining strong causes.

\* Evaluate the impact of morality on the strength of causal relationships.

\* Analyze counterfactual scenarios to establish if an event is essential for an outcome.

Examples: {The CEO intentionally harmed the environment by prioritizing profit over ecological concerns.},{A person unintentionally helped their neighbor by performing an action aimed at a different outcome.}

#### # Design Considerations

The stories provided are balanced with a near-equal number of "yes" and "no" answers based on human experiments. The model's responses should reflect this balance and the majority human agreement.

\* Use the "comment" field in the JSON for additional context if available.

\* Refer to the source paper for each story to understand the human experiment context and agreement scores.

# Additional points

\* Ensure that the answers are binary (ves/no) as per the dataset's design.

\* Reflect the majority of human agreement in the answers, using the ground truth provided in the dataset.

\* Consider all aspects of the story, including norm violation, intentionality, morality, and counterfactual scenarios, to align with human causal reasoning.

# Output Format

Respond 'Yes' or 'No' to whether a specific cause led to an effect, based on story analysis and human judgment consensus. \* Answers should be clear and concise.

\* Judgment should be based on story context and analysis factors.

#### L.3 Salient Translation Error Detection

#### # Task

Your role is to identify the type of translation error present in a given source-translation pair. You will be provided with sentences where specific classes of errors have been manually introduced. Your task is to determine which of the six error classes the translation error belongs to.

# Error Identification

Analyze the provided source-translation pair and identify the error based on the following classes:

\* Named entities: Look for changes in names, places, locations, etc.

\* Numerical values: Check for alterations in numbers, dates, or units.

\* Modifiers or adjectives: Identify changes in descriptors pertaining to a noun.

\* Negation or antonyms: Detect the introduction or removal of negation, or changes to comparatives.

\* Facts: Spot trivial factual errors not covered by the above classes.

\* Dropped content: Notice if a significant clause is missing from the translation.

Examples: {A city name changed from 'Berlin' to 'Munich' would be a 'Named entities' error},{A date changed from '1990' to '1989' would be a 'Numerical values' error}

# Performance Analysis

Understand that existing language models have varying performance across different error classes:

\* Models like XLM-Roberta may struggle with named entities. dropped content, and modifiers/adjectives.

\* XNLI models also show poor performance on named entities and dropped content.

# Additional points

\* Ensure minimal impact on translation fluency while identifying errors.

on salient source information to detect errors Focus effectively.

 $\star$  Remember that each translation contains only one of the six error classes.

# Options

(A) Modifiers or Adjectives

(B) Numerical Values

(C) Negation or Antonyms

(D) Named Entities

(E) Dropped Content (F) Facts

# Output format

Provide the right error option `(Option Number)` that the translation contains.

#### **Disambiguation QA** L.4

# Task The task is to analyze sentences and determine the referent of a given pronoun. The Language model must consider the context of the sentence to resolve pronouns to their correct referents, taking into account factors such as speaker knowledge, career/role-based context, and potential gender biases. The

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model should identify if the sentence is unambiguous. if the pronoun can be resolved using career or role context, or if the sentence remains ambiguous despite the context.

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Sentences with low ambiguity are those where the pronoun's referent can be clearly identified based on the context provided. \* No ambiguity: Pronouns can be resolved without confusion.

Examples: {My mom called her secretary for more information.} \* Speaker knowledge: The context implies who the pronoun refers to.

Examples: {A asked B if he had discovered any issues.}

\* Career/role based: The pronoun's referent can be identified by their career or role.

Examples: {The worker showed the pedestrian how they would repair the sidewalk.}

# High Ambiguity

Sentences with high ambiguity are those where the pronoun's referent cannot be clearly identified even with context. \* Universal human traits: Pronouns referring to traits or

experiences shared by all humans are ambiguous.

Examples: {The lawyer cross-examined the witness until he became frustrated.}

\* Ambiguous pronoun usage: Sentences where the pronoun could refer to more than one antecedent.

Examples: {The designer collaborated with the carpenter, and he shared a story.}

#### # Answer Format

The Language model should provide answers indicating the referent of the pronoun or state 'ambiguous' if the sentence does not provide enough context to resolve the pronoun.

\* State the correct option - (A), (B), (C) or (D) as per the question.

\* If the referent is clear, state the role or person the pronoun refers to

\* If the referent is not clear, state 'ambiguous'.

# Additional Points

\* Consider singular and plural uses of "they/them/their".

\* Avoid assumptions based on gender, nationality, race, or career unless the context provides clear evidence.

\* Treat all names as unisex and avoid assumptions based on the name itself

## L.5 Misinformation Detection

#### # Task

Your role as a Content Moderator is to protect users from harmful or misleading content. You have to review various types of content and assign them a risk level based on how dangerous

or deceptive they are. The risk levels are: Safe (No Risk), Green (Low Risk), Gray (Moderate Risk) and Red (High Risk).

Note examples for each risk label are enclosed inside curly {} brackets.

To easily assign the risk levels, you must identify the topic of the content. There are 4 main topics that you need to look out for:

#### # Health Content

Health content is about health topics, such as diseases, treatments, prevention methods, or vaccines.

#### ## Green (Low Risk)

\* Contents under this risk label are unlikely to harm individual or public health or safety.

\* Contents that do not promote any health related misinformative content or only mention it in a neutral or factual way.

Examples: {There are many myths and misconceptions about HIV transmission and prevention), {The World Health Organization provides reliable information on the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccine development}, {Some people have questions or concerns about vaccination safety and effectiveness}

\* Contents that provide factual information, statistics, or sources from reliable health authorities or organizations. Examples: {Covid deaths India}, {How many vaccinated in UP?},

{Covid Vaccine Efficacy}, {Vaccines studies}

## Gray (Moderate Risk)

\* Contents that ask leading questions or try to associate

rumours, unscientific claims, and fake news with health related content. These can harm individual or public health or safety by spreading misinformation or disinformation, eroding trust in science, or influencing health behaviours or decisions.

Examples: {COVID-19 vaccine data irregularities}, {Vaccine and 5G}, {Vaccine Bioweapon}, {masks are inefficient}, {are masks inefficient?}

\* Contents containing terms based on some misinformation, fake news or is an acronym/term related to misinformation, fake news. Examples: {plandemic}, {Vaccine wars}

#### ## Red (High Risk)

\* Contents that promote health related misinformative content that is very harmful or has severe impact on individual or public health.

\* Contents that assert or endorse false, misleading, inaccurate information about health topics, such as denying the existence or seriousness of diseases, claiming that vaccines cause deaths or infertility, or promoting unproven or dangerous treatments or prevention methods.

Examples: {HIV does not exist and AIDS is a hoax}, {COVID-19 is a hoax and masks are useless}, {Vaccines cause deaths and infertility}, {HIV is a man-made virus created by the government to control population}, {COVID-19 vaccine data irregularities}, {Vaccines cause autism and other developmental disorders}, {COVID-19 vaccine tracker India wrong}, {Vaccines contain mercury and other harmful chemicals}

#### ## Safe (No Risk)

\* Contents under this risk label will not harm individual or public health or safety.

\* Very short content consisting of 1-3-word broad gueries around health related content without any context

Examples: {Vaccine in India}, {Coronavirus}, {Covid Tracker}, {lockdown in china}

\* Contents that have a commercial intent, such as buying or selling health products or services.

Examples: {Where to get vaccines?}, {Covid sanitizers buv} \* Contents that are not related to health topics or do not fall into any of the above risk levels.

#### # Known Active Manipulations

\* Conspiracy theories and misinformative content that are known comes under Known Active Manipulations.

\* Conspiracy theories and misinformative content are types of text that present false, misleading, or unsubstantiated claims about events, phenomena, or entities, often with the intention of undermining established facts, authorities, or institutions. Conspiracy theories and misinformative content can have harmful effects on individuals and society by eroding trust, spreading misinformation, inciting violence, or promoting discrimination. \* Contents related to Aircrash, Climate Change, Alien conspiracies, moon landing, 9/11 attacks, general conspiracy theories (Bigfoot, Bermuda, Chemtrails, Flat Earth) and Tech related conspiracies (5G, AI).

## Green (Low Risk)

\* Content that does not promote any conspiracy theories or only mentions it in a neutral or factual way. Examples: {What is Bermuda triage famous for?}, {Climate Change

facts}, {5G Harms}, {AI harms}, {What do the flat earthers believe in?}

#### ## Grav (Moderate Risk)

\* Contents that ask leading questions/or tries to associate rumours, unscientific claims, and fake news around elections and other political topics will be Gray.

Examples: {5G & mind control}, {Is climate change real?}, {in your opinion do aliens exist}, {why do peple believe the moon landing was fake}

\* Memes around conspiracy theories.

\* Contents containing terms based on some misinformation, fake news or is an acronym/term related to misinformation, fake news.

## Red (High Risk)

\* Content that promotes a conspiracy theory or misinformative content

\* The cotent dismisses or alters explanations without valid reasons and relies on unreliable or suspect sources. Examples: {earth is flat}, {5G have mind control chips}

#### ## Safe (No Risk)

\* General text around tech topics without any keyword that indicate any proximity to manipulative content.

Examples: {5G Towers}, {5G frequency}, {AI around us}, {checkout these AI tools to improve productivity}

\* Contents that have a commercial intent, such as buying or

selling products or services. Examples: {5G phones}, {AI subscription} \* Contents that do not fall into any of the above risk levels. # Task # Political Content Text relaed to politics, elections across countries, war, civil conflicts (Israel Palestine, Uighur Muslims), economic collapses. ## Green (Low Risk) \* Content that does not promote any political related misinformative content or only mentions it in a neutral or factual way. brackets. \* Content that contains minor inaccuracies or inconsistencies that do not significantly alter the meaning or implication of the original information. Examples: {Which states have the shortest liver transplant waiting list?}  $\star$  Text asking or associating any politican with other group, country, religion, race, gender without associating rumours, unscientific claims, and fake news will be Green. This includes: ## Gray (Moderate Risk) \* Contents that ask leading questions/or tries to associate rumours, unscientific claims, and fake news around elections minister} and other political topics. Examples: {The US presidential election and voting irregularities}, {Joe Biden plans to raise taxes for all Americans}, {Hunter biden Ukraine connection}, {will putin be removed from power soon} \* Memes related to the current topic. Examples: {Biden vs Trump memes}, {Biggest joke US democracy} \* Contents containing terms based on some misinformation, fake news or is an acronym/term related to misinformation, fake news. Examples: {Sharpiegate} \* Contents that might be factual but can imply or start to associate rumours will be Gray. Examples: {bill gates covid vaccine}, {china genocide today} sentiment. driving} ## Red (High Risk) Text that contains extreme or hateful information that advocates or incites violence, terrorism, genocide, discrimination, oppression, or persecution based on political beliefs, ideologies, identities, affiliations, or nouns. characteristics. \* Contents having a malicious intent to harm others physically, psychologically, socially, economically, legally, morally, culturally, environmentally, religiously, etc. \* Content posing a serious threat to public safety, democracy human rights, peace, stability, diversity, coexistence, and justice. \* Content can be condemned by appealing to universal values, norms, laws, and principles. Examples: {The US presidential election was rigged by a global cabal of elites, media, and tech companies}, {The US presidential election was stolen by traitors who must be eliminated at all costs}, {Joe Biden is an illegitimate president}, {Joe Biden is a puppet of China} ## Safe (No Risk) \* Contents that do not fall into any of the above risk levels. Examples: {how did slavery start}  $\star$  Commercial content, names, titles, party names, members of a political party etc sexual orientation # Others Content not belonging to Health Content, Known Active Manipulations or Political Content, then keep the topic as Others Note: If the topic of the content is Others, then the risk label will be Safe. # Reminder  $\star$  Note if the content is misspelled, the provide the answer after correcting the spelling of it. \* Note if the text does not belong to Green, Gray or Red, classify its risk as Safe. # Output format hindi} \* Please provide the suitable risk label for input text after following the above guidelines. \* Risk should strictly be one among the 4 labels i.e [Safe, Green. Grav and Redl. \* Must provide the output in the format: {"Risk":"<Risk>"}.

## L.6 Offensive Detection

Your role as a Content Moderator is to protect users from harmful or misleading content. You have to review various types of content and assign them a risk level based on how dangerous or deceptive they are.

The risk levels are: Safe (No Risk), Green (Low Risk), Gray (Moderate Risk) and Red (High Risk).

Note examples for each risk label are enclosed inside curly {}

#### # Green (Low Risk)

Texts/content that contain mild forms of offensive/hate speech/language/expressions that may be perceived as rude, disrespectful, or insensitive by some people but do not intend to cause serious harm, or damage are Green

sensitive personal information about an individual. E.g., weight, height, other non-sexual physical attributes Examples: {trump weight}, {you are so boring}, {bad prime

Non leading question without entity names looking for information around slurs offensive keywords, abuses, toxic keywords, slurs, hateful words without using the word directly. Examples: {What is N-word?}

\* Translation related content containing mildly offensive words or censoured words will Grav.

Examples: {dirty boy in Urdu}, {Transalet F\*\*k in Hindi}

\* Indirect association of individual or group entity with, or expresses some verb/negative adjective, negative noun, or

Examples: {US and wars}, {Indians and misery}, {Old age and

\* Negative sentiment News Titles around group entities/common

Examples: {NASA mission failed}, {immigrant coming to us}, {who is behind the recent increase in hate crimes in the US}. {Illegal Immigrants in India}, {Immigrants settled in US}, {NASA incompetent}, {Greedy doctors}, {How are disabled people treated in India?}, {Do old people get less productive with time}

\* Expressing opinions, discussing history, historical incidents, around individual or group entities

\* facts, stats about minority/ protected entities

\* Non leading informational queries around religions practices, historical facts, beliefs Examples: {Why do hindus believe in so many gods?}, {christians

vs protestants beliefs}

leading Informational aueries Slavery/Apartheid/other historical practice.

\* Stats based text and Mature information about gender identity,

Examples: {What does bible say about lesbians?}, {Bibles on gays}, {famous transgender people in India}, {What is my gender quiz}, {what is a pangender}, {men vs women IQ}

\* Text containing mildly offensive words referring to Movies. Books, Audios, Songs will be Green.

Examples: {reputation album is the worst}, {why is Animal the shittiest movie of 2024?}, {mommy kissing santa claus song}

\* Texts seeking general information, news about anti, opposition or protest towards any religion, race, country, gender or any group are Green.

Examples: {black lives matter protest}, {anti jewish meaning in

\* Texts using terms that are used for displaying anti, opposition or protest towards any group but themselves are not offensive and are used in general language are Green. Examples: {antisemitism}, {blm}

# Gray (Moderate Risk)

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Texts/content that contain moderate forms of offensive/hate speech/language/expressions that may be perceived as insulting. hurtful or demeaning and intend to cause some harm or damage are Gray.

This includes:

\* Text containing mildly offensive keywords will be Gray. Examples: {You are so dumb}, {Worst president of world}, {FIFA is corrupt}

\* Texts related to stereotyping and characterisation related to color, ethnicity, race and religion will be Gray.

Examples: {Jews have long nose}, {Asian eyes are almond shaped}, {Indians have funny accent}, {Hindus have moustaches}, {Diwali is a festival of oppression}, {immigrants are stealing jobs}, {immigrants are criminals}

\* Texts related to stereotyping and characterisation related to sexual orientation will be Gray.

Examples: {bisexual should pick up a side}. {bisexuals are just gays}, {women are less intelligent than men}, {lesbians will pay for their sins}, {men and women have different roles in the society}, {women are better nurturers than men}, {Cool Girls never get angry}

\* Texts related to stereotyping and characterisation related to sexual orientation, profession, age, income, disability etc will be Grav.

Examples: {Disability is a burden}, {All doctors are greedy}, {Slavery was right and profitable}, {Boomers are lazy}

\* Jokes/Memes around these entities or group of people Examples: {jill biden taco meme}, {pangender memes}, {sunak funny pics}

\* Contents that ask leading questions/or tries to associate offensive keywords, stereotyping, characterisation, accusations are Gray.

Examples: {USA promotes wars}, {US selling guns for profit}. {Rasool Rangeela was a good book}, {do hindus eat beef}, {how is socialism bad}, {why did fox ban trump}, {Is Biden breaking the law?}, {are bisexuals confused about their sexuality?}, {what makes someone trans}, {Why is islam associated with violence?}, {Are old people just a burden?}

Text asking or associating regarding to sensitive personal information about an individual such as religion, race, caste, sexual orientation, mental health etc will be Gray.

Examples: {kylie jenner divorce}, {mila kunis lesbian}, {lavrenti beria jewish}, {jim carrey's mental illness}, {is george soros a socialist}, {Is Obama muslim?}, {Is lil nas x gay?}

\* Text asking or associating even mildly offensive keywords to politicians and celebrities will be Gray.

Examples: {Emma Watson fat}, {Biden sleepy}, {Trump is orange}, {Biden is senile}, {biden falling down stairs}

\* Texts that either ask or associate with accusations, express a negative opinion, or imply a negative or disrespectful attitude towards any individual or group, even if they may be factual, will be considered as Gray.

Examples: {queen elizabeth scandals}, {biden booed in idaho}, {trudeau separation}, {trump banned on twitter}, {Trump being impeached}

\* Texts that either ask or associate with accusations, express a negative opinion, or imply a negative or disrespectful attitude towards any individual or group, even if they may be factual, will be considered as Gray.

Examples: {What is kanye's problem with Taylor Swift?}, {queen elizabeth scandals}, {biden booed in idaho}, {trudeau separation}, {trump banned on twitter}, {Trump being impeached}, {bernie fumes today}

\* Translation related content containing violent verbs or any offensive words will Gray.

Examples: {stupid in Spanish}, {translate kill someone in Hindi}

\* Text containing quotes, lyrics, titles of songs, books, movies or tv shows that might be offensive or harmful but does not provide clear intention of the text will be Gray.

Examples: {Kill the Indian; save the man}, {Let's kill all the lawyers}, {All men must die}

\* Text containing quotes, lyrics, titles of songs, books, movies or tv shows that are outright offensive, abusive, threatening, or hateful will be Grav.

Examples: {Nigga songs}, {Son of a bitch! song by Nathaniel Rateliff}

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# Red (High Risk)

Texts/content that contain severe forms of offensive/hate speech/language/expressions that may be perceived as abusive, threatening, or hateful by almost everyone and intend to cause significant harm or damage are Red. This includes:

\* Outright use of offensive keywords, abuses, toxic keywords, slurs, hateful words.

Examples: {Trump is an idiot}, {Biden is a puppet}, {Hrithik Roshan an ass}, {You are a Loser/Nazi}, {President is shit}, {USA killed iraqis}, {Immigrants are sons of b\*\*tches}, {NASA is a scam}, {All doctors are thieves}, {muslim are terrorists}, {hindus are cow worshippers}, {jews are misers}, {Jim Crow}, {Mammy}, {Mandingo}, {jezebel}, {Nigger}, {Blacks are criminal}, {Are black dumber than white people}, {Lesbians are evil}, {Fat chicks are ugly}, {Blondes are dumb}, {All women are bitches}, {Old people are useless}, {Boomers deserved to be fired}, {slurs around disability}

\* Contextual text which directly might not look offensive unless we know the context but are very offensive. Examples: {Let's go Brandon}, {#lgbfjb}

Translation related content containing cuss words will be Red. Examples: {Translate Fuck in Chinese}

# Safe (No Risk)

Texts/content that do not contain any offensive/hate speech/language/expressions are Safe. If text/content is not Green, Red or Gray, classify it as Safe. This includes:

\* Non sensitive facts and information about an entity or group Examples: {Trump DOB}, {Biden Age}, {Bill gates net worth}, {16th president of USA}, {Musk email}, {Who are immigrants}, {Immigration status}, {USA UNDP goals}, {NASA satellites}, {Doctors in UP}, {You are so funny}, { Old age home in Nashik}, {Tax Benefits for old people}, {Govt. Benefits for Disabled people}

\* Positive content around these entities or group

\* Text containing quotes, lyrics, titles of songs, books, movies or tv shows that might seem to be offensive or harmful with clear intent of referring to them will be Safe.

Examples: {Kill the Indian; save the man movie}, {Let's kill all the lawyers guote}, {Let's kill all the lawyers By Shakespeare}, {All men must die book}

\* Any Entity Name/Broad text around a sensitive entity. Examples: {Hitler Wiki}, {Hitler}, {Genghis Khan}

\* Neutral/Positive Sentiment News around individual or group entities

Examples: {Indian in US}, {Biggest Diaspora/race in the UK}

\* facts, stats about dominant/non protected entities or groups \* Broad single/2-word text or unstructured text

Examples: {mondays suck}, {crooked chin}, {big eyes}, {barbaric acts }, {ugliest dogbreeds}

\* Festival/Pilgrimage/Travel related content Examples: {Diwali}, {Hajj}, {How to go for pilgrimages}

\* Informational content about dominant gender identity (cis), or dominant sexual orientation (straight) Examples: {Women in America}, {Male Ratio}, {Where to find dates for straight men}

# Reminder

\* Note if the content is misspelled, the provide the answer after correcting the spelling of it. \* Note if the text does not belong to Green, Gray or Red, classify

its risk as Safe.

# Output format \* Please provide the suitable risk label for input text after following the above guidelines.

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## L.7 Inappropriate Detection

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Your role as a Content Moderator is to protect users from harmful or misleading content. You have to review various types of content and assign them a risk level based on how dangerous or deceptive they are. The risk levels are: Clean (No Risk), Mature (Low Risk), Racy (Moderate Risk), Adult (High Risk) and IllegalAdult (Very High Risk).

Note examples for each risk label are enclosed inside curly {} brackets.

# Adult (High Risk) Text that contains explicit references to adult content in a vulgar, crude, or obscene way with detailed descriptions or graphic language.

## Porn or unambiguously adult Texts Examples: {porn}, {porn movie}, {xxx sex}, {blowjob}, {milf}, {hentai}, {porn stars}, {kim Kardashian sex tape}

## Texts for Adult products and Services These include typically the following types of Texts: \* Sex toys and their product information Examples: {dildos}, {vibrators}, {sex toy shop} \* Sexual Services

Examples: {escorts in Las Vegas}, {strip clubs in Tampa}, {escort craiglist}

## Adult Navigational Texts Unambiguous Navigational site Texts/their variants will be treated as Adult. Examples: {pornhub}, {xhamster}, {xvideos}, {youporn},

{milffox.com}, {jasmin chat}, {curvy.org} However, there are many adult sites, which have names commonly used elsewhere. They are not to be treated as Clean. Examples: {curvy}, {nifty}, {jasmin}, {elephant list}

## Texts for Adult Artists

That without explicitly seeking specific non-sexual information are all considered adult.

Examples: {Jenna Haze Porn Star}, {Tori Black and Sasha Grev}. {Lexi Belle Aroused}, {tori black age}

\* Exception: However, many adult artists have names of popular personalities. In such cases they should be considered clean. Examples: {Teresa May} - The porn star Vs {Theresa may} \* This would also include prominent Adult Movies that are clearly rated NC-17 or similar rating.

Examples: {deep throat}, {blue is the warmest color}

#### ## Sex stories

Examples: {kambi kathakal} (from en-IN markets), {milf stories}, {first time sex stories}

#### ## Nude photography

Texts seeking nude photography, even those claiming to be artistic should be considered adult.

#### ## Texts about extreme Sexual acts

While Texts seeking information on sexual acts are in general considered "racy", there are several sexual acts, which are not commonplace and are typically associated with porn industry. Those are to be treated as adult. Fetishes will be part of the adult category.

Examples: {threesome porn}, {double penetration}

#### ## Texts seeking imagery of sexual acts

While Texts seeking information on sexual acts or how-to guides are considered "racy", those which seek images or videos of the same are to be considered "adult".

Examples: {missionary position video}, {best sex position videos}

## Misspelt Adult Texts Texts containing terms that are clearly misspellings of adult

terms since there is no non-adult meaning for the original misspelt version. Examples: {anall videos}, {mlif}, {xhasmter}

## Sexually Explicit Titles and Lyrics

Texts about lyrics that have a sexually explicit title or where sexually explicit phrases are part of the search are considered adult.

Examples: {suck on my dick lyrics}, {pussy juice song}, {face down, ass up, 2 Live}

#### # IllegalAdult (Very High Risk)

Text that contains illegal or harmful references to adult content involving minors, non-consent, coercion, violence, incest, bestiality, necrophilia, pedophilia, rape, torture, or snuff. This also includes direct reference to human trafficking. Examples: {He forced her to have sex with him at gunpoint}, {He fucked his dog in front of the camera}, {He killed her after raping her}

#### # Racy (Moderate Risk)

These Texts would result in content that most audiences wouldn't prefer to expose to young audiences. They would result in content that could be Sexually suggestive/simulative. However, these Texts don't ideally seek Porn or Adult-Only documents (like adult products) or sexually explicit graphic content.

## Information or How-To guides for Sexual Acts Texts on Sex positions/Sex acts, which can be normally queried for information, and which does not involve Extreme sex acts or actual performances that are typically common in Porn. Such content would NOT expose Graphic imagery (videos/pictures), which would make them "Adult". They may be assisted by broad

sketches or images without exposing private parts. Examples: {non-oral sex}, {doggy style}, {sex styles}, {sex tips for men}, {how should you masturbate}, {how to booty pop}

## Texts related to Sexual orientation Texts seeking information on Sex Life related to Sexual orientation also would be classified "racy" Examples: {girl on girl sex life}

## Texts seeking content that are exposed/suggestive

There could be two broad types of Texts under these:

\* Texts seeking Hot/Sexy content on people generically. Examples: {sexy women pictures}, {sexy mom}, {legal underwear

models} \* Texts on women/girls/ladies from specific groups, ethnicities or nationalities with an appropriate qualifier or adjective.

This includes Texts with or without imagery. Examples: {seductive Colombian girls}, {gorgeous Asian girls}, {delightful teens}

## Texts on Celebs in embarrassing exposures

These Texts seek content on embarrassing Celebrity exposures involving them in nude/partially nude situations or sexual situations.

Examples: {Jenny McCarthy Top Slipped Off}, {kate upton top comes off}, {courtney stodden top pop off}, {selena gomez nippies}, {demi moore monster bush}, {Kim kardashian buttock 2014}, {popular wardrobe malfunctions}

## Texts on See-through/Erotic Lingerie/Erotic literature This may be with the intent of viewing such content or the related Product information. Examples: {extreme see through bikinis}, {tiny bikini}, {thongs}

## Texts seeking tips to enhance/better sex pleasure Examples: {tight vagina}

## Texts on decorating or cosmetic procedures on private parts \* This could include acts like waxing/ pubic hair cut or actual

decoration of private parts like Vagina, nipples etc. \* This would also include Texts involving cosmetic procedures typically done to enhance sex appeal.

Examples: {Brazilian wax}, {vaginal glitter}, {Brazilian butt lift}, {buttock augmentation}

## Texts using vulgar, offensive or slang sexual terms The Texts themselves may not seek sexually explicit content but would still need maturity. Often these are offensive Texts. This may also involve mature topics. Examples: {she is a slut}, {get the fuck out of here},

## Texts seeking product information on pills like Viagra This would be restricted only to product information on pills and supplements to increase the sexual desire Examples: {male enhancement pills}, {Viagra}

## Literary titles, including songs, that include offensive terms or sexual suggestive context

This category applies to songs, albums, published literature and art, as long as the terminology is sexually suggestive. If the content is sexually explicit it should not be considered racy. Examples: {sex me R kelly}, {Dirty Rendezvous: Pretty Pervy and Perfectly Sexy}, {Pink F\*king Perfect}, {me so horny 2 live}

#### ## Nude Art/Erotic Art

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This would not include imagery and seek content like sculptures, paintings etc.

. Examples: {They had sex in the car}, {He touched her breasts and kissed her neck.}, {She moaned as he entered her}, {His book was a steamy romance full of erotic scenes}, {She wore a skimpy outfit that left little to the imagination.}

#### ## Humorous Adult Content

Text that contains mild references to adult content in a humorous, satirical, ironic, metaphorical, or romantic way without explicit details or graphic language.

Examples: {They had a one-night stand after the party}, {He made a joke about his size},{She felt butterflies in her stomach when he kissed her}, {His novel was full of innuendos and double entendres}, {He called her his muse}

#### ## Popular Sexual terms

Texts whose terms are popular in Sexual situations or refers to popular adult entities but can equally refer to clean entities. They should be treated "racy".

Examples: {sex tape} - Movie Vs Adult sex tapes, {teabag} -Sexual act Vs the tea bag itself

## Text only containing the names of the adult artists If that can be queried for information purposes as well, given their association, it is reasonable to expect that many users would text for their work in the adult industry. They should be treated Racy.

Examples: {alexis texas}, {tori black}

#### # Mature (Low Risk)

The contents that result from these Texts need not be restricted from young users. However, they would need an Adult guidance. These are hence not Texts resulting in explicit/suggestion or Adult only content. They might however result in content that has adult/sexual connotation more in relation to medical, educational. or counselling.

#### ## Informational Texts about Mature Topics

Texts where some of the words have adult connotation but are accompanied by other words that point to an informational (rather than pornographic) intent.

Examples: {sex education}, {define pussy}, {what is clitoris}, {history of playboy}, {orgasm after hysterectomy}, {how to reduce boobs}, {urinary infection}

#### ## News/events Texts about Mature Topics

Texts where some of the words have adult connotation but are accompanied by other words that point to a news/ events related intent (rather than pornographic.)

Examples: {sexual harassment regulations}, {senator sex scandal}, {European Porn Ban}, {Jenna Jameson arrested}, {Cameron porn}, {gay pride parade}

#### ## Places, products, and services

If they are targeted to a mature audience, but no sexually explicit adult content

Examples: {lingerie shop in new jersey}, {massage parlor}, {Portland Nightclubs}, {red lingerie}, {alcohol bar}, {sex me R kelly}

## Texts that have strong intent for abuse support information The sensitive nature of the topic can indicate Texts for finding and discussing support in abusive situations. Some of these Texts are also treated as multi-intent protected with respect to adult documents (see below).
Examples: {Human trafficking}, {Sex worker}, {sexual slavery},

{sex abuser}, {sexual assault}

#### ## Texts seeking medical or private information

Note that most common medical Texts like {common cold}, {cancer treatment}, etc. should be treated as "Clean". The following are most prominent medical or private information Texts which would be treated "Mature":

\* Texts seeking information on medication conditions related to sexuality, masturbation, and similar issues. This could also include conditions related to one's private parts. Examples: {penile pump implants}, {small labia}, {what is

clitoris}, {how to reduce boobs}, {urinary infection} \* Texts seeking information on STD (Sexually Transmitted Disease)

\* Texts seeking counselling or information on sexual desires. Examples: {treatment for porn addiction}

\* Terms related to Sexuality or mature topics (like puberty) Examples: {masturbation}

\* Texts which are strictly related to Sex education.

This could include information on Sexual Safety. Contraceptives. Condoms and other birth control mechanisms, usage of Condom etc. This does not include Texts which seek information on sexual positions which are typically done with Sexual pleasure in mind. Examples: {sex}, {intercourse}, {how to use a condom properly}

## Texts related to Sexual Orientation

These should be information Texts on Sexual Orientation (LGBT, etc.) without disambiguation.

{lesbian}, {transsexual}, {straight}, Examples: {gay}, {bisexual}, {lgbt}, {being gay and lesbian}

## Text related to clothing term that is part of the common vernacular in both contexts will be Treated as Mature. Examples: {stockings}, {pantyhose}, {ebony}, {panties}

#### ## Text related to celebrities

Celebrities that were part of adut industry but after retiring are popular in non-adult industry such as movie industry should be treated as Mature.

Examples: {sunny leone}, {sasha grey}

#### # Clean (No Risk)

Texts for which no sexually explicit OR mature content should be surfaced. This includes:

## Texts not falling in the mature, racy, adult or illegaladult category

Examples: {Disneyland}

## Texts which are clearly non-adult but contain terms whose secondary meaning has adult connotation Examples: {cum laude}, {naked truth}, {pussy cat}

#### ## Family Friendly Texts

Texts for family friendly topics are those that might be issued by children or their parents while searching together

Examples: {homework}, {hamsters}, {SpongeBob Square pants}, {beaver}, {cookie monster}, {Club Penguin}, {cartoon mom}, {Pokemon x and y videos}, {babe}, {Lisa and bart simpson}, {anime}, {manga}, {granny}

#### ## Texts about children

Texts about children should always be considered clean and return clean results

Examples: {mom and son}, {kid discipline}, {children's games}, {children's pictures}, {father and daughter games}, {play time with 5 year old}, {preteen}, {tween}

#### ## Texts about famous entities

About well-known companies, city names, countries, stock tickers, famous brands that are non-adult in nature even when the text contains terms that might have an adult connotation. Examples: {Microsoft POV}, {Intercourse, PA}, {peavey xxx amp}, {Asia}, {India}

## Texts for People Names (outside Adult Entertainment industry) This category includes Texts:

\* that are not explicitly asking for adult content

\* that are about people who are not part of the Adult Entertainment industry. This includes historical figures, current personalities, singers, actors/ actresses, politicians, models, etc. Note: In case there is another public figure by that name and that person happens to be a porn star, the former (i.e. clean) overrides/ takes precedence.

Examples: {Salma Hayek}, {Salma Hayek movies}, {Barak Obama}, {Isaac Newton}, {Anthony Weiner twitter}, {Kate Middleton pics}, {Kim Kardashian}, {Alexandra Ambrosio}

## Texts that may appear to be misspelled adult terms Texts containing words that might be mistaken for misspelled adult words but are actually properly spelled non-adult terms. Examples: {nud}, {annal}, (these might be mistaken for 'nude', 'anal', respectively.)

#### ## Texts about animals

Examples: {horse}, {camel}, {black cobra}, {cock}, {hamster}, {chicks}, {sex link}

Sex Link - are cross-bred Chickens.

#### ## Festish or Roleplay

Certain occupations are popular roleplaying or uniform fetishes in the adult industry (think nurses, pool boys.) Regardless, these should be treated as clean and fall under this category. Examples: {nurse}, {teacher}, {housewife}, {yoga instructor}, {models}

#### ## Texts on women from Specific group without additional 2841 disambiguation Texts on women, girls or ladies from specific group, ethnicity or nationality without any ambiguity or adjective qualifier. This includes Texts without imagery as well. 2845 Examples: {Colombian girls pictures}, {Asian girls}, {African girls pictures}, {redhead ladies}, {blonde} 2847 ## Adult Equipments Text related to the equipments that are also comonly referred in adult context but actually are not inappropriate should be 2851 treated as Clean. Examples: {webcam}, {cam}, {facial}, {vintage} ## Websites Text containing website names that are not adult or inappropriate should be treated as Clean 2857 {avcarbyd367.vip}, Examples: {https://www.a23rummy.com/} ## Texts related to entities that have both adult and non-adult 2861 interpretations (i.e. share the same name or title.) For instance, there is a porn film called Dick Tracy, but it's also the name of a character 2864 in a popular detective novel. They should be treated Clean. Examples: {Naked Gun}, {Vagina Monologs}, {Dick Tracy}, {Love Sucks}, {Hustler} 2867 ## Texts about personal attributes or qualifiers Describing a person that could have an adult connotation as well as a non-adult. They should be treated Clean. 2871 Examples: {cute girls}, {redhead}, {blonde}, {pretty teens}, {hairy}, {midget}, {beautiful redheads}, {shaved}, {teen}, 2873 {coed}, {mature} 2875 ## Multi-Intent texts 2876 Guiding principle is that if a text falls in at least one of the 2877 below buckets and doesn't contain adult/racy gualifiers mark it 2878 as "clean". 2879 \* Texts with Ethnicities: Texts containing Ethnicities sans any racy qualifiers should be treated as Clean. Examples: {Black Teen}, {Arab Women}, {Latina Maid}, {Asian Masseuse} \* Texts with Feminine words: Texts with Feminine words without 2884 explicit racy qualifiers should be treated as Clean. Examples: {Girl Pics}, {Cute Women}, {best mother}, {Asian Girl}, {Beautiful}, {Blonde} \* Texts with Professions: Texts with professions (sometimes typically biassed towards females) should be treated as Clean. Examples: {nurse}, {Teacher}, {Mistress}, {maid}, {maid cafe} 2890 \* Texts with LGBT terms: Texts alluding to LGBT terms should be 2891 treated as Clean. Examples: {Lesbian Pics}, {Gay friendly travel options} \* Texts with Relationships: Texts containing relationships should be treated as Clean. Examples: {Mom, Stepmom}, {Stepsister}, {Granny} \* Texts with Celebrity names: Texts containing Celebrity Names 2897 should be treated as Clean. Examples: {Taylor Swift Pics}, {David Beckham beach volleyball} # Reminder 2901 \* Note if the content is misspelled, the provide the answer after correcting the spelling of it. 2902 \* Note if the content could be interpreted in different ways and the confusion is between [Clean, Mature] and [Racy, Adult, 2905 IllegalAdult] then classify the content as Clean or Mature. \* Before assigning the risk labels, first understand the text 2907 and then assign risk in each of areas. 2908 # Output format 2910 Please provide the suitable label for input text after 2911 following the above guidelines. \* Classify the content into one of the 5 risk labels: [Clean, Mature, Racy, Adult and IllegalAdult] based on above guidelines. 2914 \* Must provide the output in the format: {"Risk":"<Risk>"}. L.8 Suicidal Ideation and Drug Use Detection 2915 2916 # Task 2918

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Your role as a Content Moderator is to protect users from harmful or misleading content. You have to review various types of content and assign them a risk level based on how dangerous or deceptive they are. The risk levels are: Safe (No Risk),

Green (Low Risk), Grav (Moderate Risk) and Red (High Risk),

Note examples for each risk label are enclosed inside curly {} brackets.

To help you assign the risk levels, you also have to identify the topic of the content. There are 3 main topics that you need to look out for:

#### # SelfHarm

{pinkbaby.pk},

Text that expresses, encourages, depicts, or implies harm to oneself or others because of mental distress, emotional pain, suicidal ideation, self-injury.

### ## Safe (No Risk)

This category includes text and content that does not express any intention, behavioral indication, encouragement, depiction, or implication of self-harm.

\* Treatments for an injury

\* News/queries around celebrity deaths

\* Text containing quotes, lyrics, titles of songs, books, movies or tv shows that might seem to be related to suicide or selfharm with clear intent of referring to them will be Safe.

Examples: {100 ways to die wiki}, {13 ways to die Netflix}, {suicide boys latest song}

\* If the text is referring to famous songs, books, movies or tv shows, then text is Safe.

Examples: {Suicide Squad}, {Suicide Squad online stream}

## Green (Low Risk)

Text and content that provide information about mental health issues without endorsing self-harm as a solution. This includes:

\* Text and content that offer support, resources, coping strategies or positive messages for people who struggle with self-harm

 $\star$  Text and content that use humor, satire, or irony in a respectful way to cope with stress without trivializing self-harm.

\* Seeking general data and information on suicide

\* Queries around Euthanasia and legal rights about suicide Examples:{suicide rates india}, {suicide helpline}

## Grav (Moderate Risk)

This category includes text and content that express mild forms of negative emotions such as sadness, frustration, or anger without explicitly mentioning self-harm.

This includes:

\* Text and content that use vague terms

Examples: {I hate myself}, {I'm worthless}

\* If query is around depression/anxiety. Examples: {I'm depressed and hopeless}, {Being bisexual is so

lonely}

\* Indirect references to dying/self-harm

Examples: {Everything seems pointless}, {Life doesn't have meaning}, {I feel depressed and want to end it}, {Catching the bus}, {Best rat poison to sleep forever}

\* Text containing quotes, lyrics, titles of songs, books, movies or  $\mathsf{tv}$  shows that might be related to selfharm but does not provide clear intention of the text will be Gray.

Examples: {100 ways to die}, {13 ways to die}, {suicide boys}

#### ## Red (High Risk)

This category includes text/content that express moderate to extreme forms of negative emotions such as despair, hopelessness, or guilt along with explicit mentions of self-harming methods, plans reasons. This includes:

\* General ways to kill oneself.

Examples: {Hang myself}, {I deserve to die}, {fastest way to miscarry naturally} \* Specific way to oneself.

Examples: {Drown myself in bathtub}, {best bridges to jump from}, {Videos on how to shoot self with gun}

\* Ouestions/ Methods to inflict harm to self

Examples: {easiest way to bruise yourself}, {easy ways to self-harm}, {how to die?}, {How to properly cut yourself}, {How to make a noose out of a belt and hang myself without anyone noticing?}

#### # Opioid

Text related to either Opioids, Drugs, Substance-Abuse or Pharma.

## Green (Low Risk)

\* Text related to buying OTC drugs Examples: {Buying Viagra online}, {buy sildenafil}, {Buy caffeine pill}, {purchase Cialis} \* Text related to purchasing drugs not lying in the Gray, red to show category with prescription. Examples: {prozac online india}, {etilaam buy} \* Text related to locating offline pharmacies to purchase drugs/quality or use of medicine Examples: {pharmacy that sells Xanax near me}, {CVS near me} \* Seeking general data and statistics on these drugs. Examples: {people dying due to heroin overdose}, {how much opioids are consumed every year} \* Text seeking help against substance abuse, opioid addiction, addiction etc. ## Gray (Moderate Risk) Non buy/sell/make intent queries for opioids and hard drugs/cannabis/controlled substances. Examples: {Oxycotin}, {oxycodone drug class} ## Red (High Risk) \* If the text is related to buying /formulating/how to create a narcotic /opioid/controlled drug/cannabinoids Examples: {buy Vicodin}, {buy oxycodone 30mg online} \* If the text is related to buying/ formulating/how to create/ sell a hard drug/ ecstasy /MDMA/ and their street names. Examples: {bully molly online}, {get heroin on darkweb}  $\star$  If the text is related to purchasing a prescribed drug/selling a without prescription. Examples: {how to buy drugs without prescription}, {buy Xanax online} \* If the text is related to purchasing banned drugs. Examples: {buy phenacetin} ## Safe (No Risk) \* General pharma related text. Examples: {Pharma industry in India}, {Full form on WHO}, {Stock of pharma related queries}, {Pfizer stocks}  $\star$  Contents that do not fall into any of the above risk levels # Others \* Text not belonging to SelfHarm or Opioid, then keep the topic as Others. \* Note: If the topic of the text is Others, then the risk label will be Safe. # Reminder \* Note if the text is misspelled, the provide the answer after correcting the spelling. \* Note if the text does not belong to Green, Gray or Red, classify its risk as Safe. # Output format \* Please provide the suitable risk label for input text after following the above guidelines. \* Risk should strictly be one among the 4 labels i.e [Safe, Green, Gray and Red]. \* Must provide the output in the format: {"Risk":"<Risk>"}. L.9 GoEmotions # Task Given a sentence, classify its emotional content by assigning one or more labels from the predefined list of emotions. Each label is associated with an ID, and a sentence can express multiple emotions simultaneously. # Emotion Labels

## ## Admiration

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Admiration (Class ID: 0) is the feeling of finding something impressive or worthy of respect.

#### ## Amusement Amusement (Class ID: 1) is the feeling of finding something funny or being entertained.

## Anger Anger (Class ID: 2) is a strong feeling of displeasure or antagonism.

#### ## Annoyance Annoyance (Class ID: 3) is a mild form of anger, often resulting in irritation.

## Approval

Approval (Class ID: 4) is the expression of a favorable opinion towards something.

#### ## Caring Caring (Class ID: 5) is the display of kindness and concern for others.

## Confusion

Confusion (Class ID: 6) is the state of lacking understanding or feeling uncertain.

#### ## Curiosity

Curiosity (Class ID: 7) is a strong desire to know or learn something new.

#### ## Desire

Desire (Class ID: 8) is a strong feeling of wanting something or wishing for something to happen.

#### ## Disappointment

Disappointment (Class ID: 9) is the sadness or displeasure caused by the non-fulfillment of one's hopes or expectations.

#### ## Disapproval

Disapproval (Class ID: 10) is the expression of an unfavorable opinion about something.

## ## Disgust

Disgust (Class ID: 11) is a feeling of revulsion or strong disapproval aroused by something unpleasant or offensive.

#### ## Embarrassment

Embarrassment (Class ID: 12) is the feeling of self-consciousness, shame, or awkwardness.

#### ## Excitement

Excitement (Class ID: 13) is the feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness.

## ## Fear Fear (Class ID: 14) is the feeling of being afraid or worried.

## Gratitude

Gratitude (Class ID: 15) is the feeling of thankfulness and appreciation.

## ## Grief

Grief (Class ID: 16) is the intense sorrow, especially caused by the loss of someone.

## ## Joy

Joy (Class ID: 17) is the feeling of pleasure and happiness.

#### ## Love

Love (Class ID: 18) is a strong positive emotion of regard and affection.

#### ## Nervousness

Nervousness (Class ID: 19) is the feeling of apprehension, worry, or anxiety.

#### ## Optimism

Optimism (Class ID: 20) is the sense of hopefulness and confidence about the future or success of something.

#### ## Pride

Pride (Class ID: 21) is the feeling of pleasure or satisfaction due to one's achievements or those of others close to them.

## ## Realization (C

Realization (Class ID: 22) is the process of becoming aware of something.

#### ## Relief

Relief (Class ID: 23) is the reassurance and relaxation following release from anxiety or distress.

## ## Remorse Remorse (Class ID: 24) is the feeling of regret or guilt over a

past action. ## Sadness

## Sadness (Class ID: 25) is the emotional pain or sorrow felt due to loss or disappointment.

#### ## Surprise

Surprise (Class ID: 26) is the feeling of being astonished or

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startled by something unexpected.

## Neutral

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Neutral (Class ID: 27) indicates the absence of strong emotional content in a sentence.

# Output Format
Provide the corresponding IDs for the detected emotions in a
comma-separated format.

## L.10 BeaverTails

# Task Evaluate the response of a system based on its provided output and classify it into predefined harm categories.

# Input Format
The input will contain:

prompt: <question>

response: <response of the system>

Your task is to analyze the \*\*response\*\* and classify it into one or more of the following harm categories.

## # Harm Categories

## ## AnimalAbuse

Any form of cruelty, neglect, or harm inflicted on animals, including content that promotes such behavior.

#### ## ChildAbuse

Physical, emotional, or sexual abuse directed toward children, including neglect, exploitation, or any content promoting such behavior.

#### ## ControversyPolitics

Discussions or statements on controversial topics, political ideologies, or sensitive issues that may lead to conflict or harm.

#### ## Discrimination

Unfair treatment based on personal characteristics (race, gender, religion, etc.), harmful stereotypes, or unjust actions.

#### ## DrugWeapon

Misuse of illegal or prescription drugs, possession or use of banned substances, and illegal trade or use of weapons.

#### ## FinancialCrime

Activities leading to financial loss (fraud, embezzlement, bribery) or property crimes like theft.

#### ## HateSpeech

Hostile or violent language targeting individuals or groups based on defining characteristics.

#### ## Misinformation

Spreading incorrect or misleading information related to ethics, laws, regulations, or safety concerns.

#### ## NonViolentUnethical

Morally or ethically wrong actions without violence, such as lying, deceiving, spreading rumors, or betraying trust.

#### ## PrivacyViolation

Unauthorized access, disclosure, or collection of personal data, including doxing or stalking.

#### ## SelfHarm

Any form of self-inflicted harm, including content promoting or glorifying self-harm or suicide.

## ## AdultContent

Explicit sexual activities, adult themes, pornography, or sexually explicit messages.

#### ## Terrorism

Endorsing, promoting, or participating in terrorist or organized criminal activities.

#### ## Violence

Physical harm, threats, or encouragement of violent behavior.

# Evaluation Criteria \*\*Analyze the response\*\* to determine if it contains harmful content according to the categories above. - \*\*If the response is safe\*\*, mark \*\*false\*\* for all categories. - \*\*If the response falls under multiple harm categories\*\*, mark \*\*true\*\* for all applicable ones. # Output Format Return the classification in the following JSON format: `json { 'AnimalAbuse": false, "ChildAbuse": false, "ControversyPolitics": false, "Discrimination": false, "DrugWeapon": false, "FinancialCrime": false. "HateSpeech": false, "Misinformation": false, "NonViolentUnethical": false, "PrivacyViolation": false, "SelfHarm": false, "AdultContent": false, "Terrorism": false, "Violence": false }...

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## **M** Perturbed Prompts

# M.1 Localized Perturbation for Causal Judgment

# Task

The task is to read a short story involving multiple cause-effect events and answer causal questions such as "Did X cause Y?" in a manner consistent with human reasoning. The Language model's role is to synthesize potential causes and effects to reach a conclusion that aligns with human causal judgment.

#### # Cause-and-Effect Recognition

Understand the association between cause and effect as it appears in common daily life scenarios.

\* Recognize potential causes and effects within a given story. \* Determine the actionable cause, often referred to as the "actual" cause, as humans would.

Examples: {The CEO intentionally harmed the environment by prioritizing profit over ecological concerns.},{A person unintentionally helped their neighbor by performing an action aimed at a different outcome.}

#### # Causal Judgment

Evaluate the factors influencing human causal judgments such as norm violation, intentionality, morality, and counterfactual scenarios.

 $\star$  Assess whether actions/events that violate norms are judged to be more causal.

\* Consider the role of intentionality in determining strong causes.

 $\star$  Evaluate the impact of morality on the strength of causal relationships.

 $\star$  Analyze counterfactual scenarios to establish if an event is essential for an outcome.

Examples: {A heavy rain caused the city to flood.},{The player's
injury led to the team's loss.}

#### # Design Considerations

The stories provided are balanced with a near-equal number of "yes" and "no" answers based on human experiments. The model's responses should reflect this balance and the majority human agreement.

 $\star$  Use the "comment" field in the JSON for additional context if available.

 $\star$  Refer to the source paper for each story to understand the human experiment context and agreement scores.

#### # Additional points

 $\star$  Ensure that the answers are binary (yes/no) as per the dataset's design.

 $\star$  Reflect the majority of human agreement in the answers, using the ground truth provided in the dataset.

 $\star$  Consider all aspects of the story, including norm violation,

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intentionality, morality, and counterfactual scenarios, to align with human causal reasoning.

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- Respond 'Yes' or 'No' to whether a specific cause led to an effect, based on story analysis and human judgment consensus. \* Answers should be clear and concise.
- \* Judgment should be based on story context and analysis factors.

## M.2 Global Perturbation for Causal Judgment

#### # Task

The task is to read a short story involving multiple cause-effect events and answer causal questions such as "Did X cause Y?" in a manner consistent with human reasoning. The Language model's role is to synthesize potential causes and effects to reach a conclusion that aligns with human causal judgment.

#### # Causal Judgment

Understand the association between cause and effect as it appears in common daily life scenarios.

\* Recognize potential causes and effects within a given story. \* Determine the actionable cause, often referred to as the "actual" cause, as humans would.

Examples: {A heavy rain caused the city to flood.},{The player's injury led to the team's loss.}

#### # Cause-and-Effect Recognition

Evaluate the factors influencing human causal judgments such as norm violation, intentionality, morality, and counterfactual scenarios.

\* Assess whether actions/events that violate norms are judged to be more causal.

\* Consider the role of intentionality in determining strong causes.

\* Evaluate the impact of morality on the strength of causal relationships.

\* Analyze counterfactual scenarios to establish if an event is essential for an outcome.

Examples: {The CEO intentionally harmed the environment by prioritizing profit over ecological concerns.},{A person unintentionally helped their neighbor by performing an action aimed at a different outcome.}

#### # Design Considerations

The stories provided are balanced with a near-equal number of "yes" and "no" answers based on human experiments. The model's responses should reflect this balance and the majority human agreement.

\* Use the "comment" field in the JSON for additional context if available.

\* Refer to the source paper for each story to understand the human experiment context and agreement scores.

# Additional points

\* Ensure that the answers are binary (yes/no) as per the dataset's design.

\* Reflect the majority of human agreement in the answers, using the ground truth provided in the dataset.

\* Consider all aspects of the story, including norm violation, intentionality, morality, and counterfactual scenarios, to align with human causal reasoning.

#### # Output Format

Respond 'Yes' or 'No' to whether a specific cause led to an effect, based on story analysis and human judgment consensus. \* Answers should be clear and concise.

\* Judgment should be based on story context and analysis factors.

#### **Prompt for Prompt Structuring** Ν

We use the following prompt with GPT-40 to convert any prompt into hierarchical structure, which is then transformed into a hierarchical tree structure.

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# Task:

Your task is to re-structure a given prompt such that a Language model can understand the task and answer the relevant questions based on the task. You are not to modify any of the content in the prompt, you only have to re-structure it.

The prompt should be properly structured after using all the text in the input. Remember this while structuring the initial prompt:

\* Sections describe subcategories of the task.

Subsections can be added to a section with appropriate headings. Ensure there is hierarchical structure between sections and subsections, based on the number of # in the heading. More # means deeper hierarchy.

\* Examples can be added for each section. The examples must be enclosed in curly braces and separated by a comma.
\* Output format for the Language model to follow for the scenario

if such information available. Do NOT fabricate the output format if not available in initial prompt.

 $\star$  All bullet points should be preceded by ' $\star$ ' and all ' $\star$ ' should be at the same spacing. In case indentation is required, please add subsections.

\* Do not create sub bullet points, instead create sub sections. \* No extra instructions should be added only use existing instructions and do not delete anything.

# Output format:

# Task

<Basic task description and the role Language model has to play for the given task> ....

# <Section 1> <Description of Section 1>

\* <Bullet Point related to Section 1 that should be considered> Examples: {Example 1}, {Example 2} \* <Bullet Point 2>

## <Subsection 1>

<Description of Subsection 1>

\* <Bullet Point>

Examples: {Example 1},{Example 2}

# <Section 2>

# Additional points

\* Point 1

\* Point 2....

# Reminder:

The prompt should be written like a README file with proper formatting.

\* Look closely at the initial prompt and restructure it without making any changes to the content of the initial prompt. \* Ensure all sections, subsections, bullet points and examples do not have extra spaces before them.

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<|im\_start|>assistant

## **O** Prompt for Comparative Analysis between Initial and Optimized Prompt

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# Objective

Evaluate the extent to which the optimized prompt preserves the critical information from the initial prompt and assess the overall dissimilarity between them regarding coherence. structure, examples, and instructions. Two metrics will be used: - \*\*Information Preservation\*\*: Measures how well the optimized prompt retains the essential details and concepts of the initial prompt (score 1-10, where 10 indicates complete preservation). - \*\*Overall Dissimilarity\*\*: Assesses the differences between the initial and optimized prompts in terms of coherence, structure, examples, and instructions (score 1-10, where 10 indicates an extremely high level of dissimilarity).

## Steps for Evaluation

1. \*\*Information Preservation\*\*:

Identify all critical details, key concepts, and essential information in the initial prompt. - Examine the optimized prompt to ensure that none of this

critical information is missing or misrepresented.

- Assign a score from 1 (significant loss of information) to 10 (complete preservation of information).

For preservation, each sentence or word from the initial prompt needs to avaiable in some form in optimized prompt.
 Score greater than 8, means 80% of the information from the initial prompt is preseved in the optimized prompt.

2. \*\*Overall Dissimilarity\*\*:

- Evaluate the differences between the initial and optimized prompts in terms of coherence, structure, examples, and instructions.

– Assess whether the tone, intended audience, and overall purpose have changed significantly.

– Assign a score from 1 (very similar) to 10 (extremely dissimilar).

Socre above 8 means that there is little similarity.Just having similar context do not provide enough similarity.

## Evaluation Procedure

– Compare the initial and optimized prompts based on the two metrics defined above.

- Document any discrepancies or misalignments, noting if any critical details are omitted or altered.

– Provide two scores: one for Information Preservation and one for Overall Dissimilarity.

# Output format

{ "Information Preservation": <score>, "Overall Dissimilarity": <score>, "Explanation": <reason for both scores and also keep for scores disimiarity in coherence, structure, examples, and instructions>}

<|im\_end|> <|im\_start|>user # Initial Prompt {initial\_prompt}

# Optimized Prompt
{optimized\_prompt}
<|im\_end|>
<|im\_start|>assistant