

000 RAS: RETRIEVAL-AND-STRUCTURING FOR KNOWL- 001 002 EDGE-INTENSIVE LLM GENERATION 003 004

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007 008 ABSTRACT 009 010 011

012 Large language models (LLMs) have achieved impressive performance on
013 knowledge-intensive tasks, yet they often struggle with multi-step reasoning due to
014 the unstructured nature of retrieved context. While retrieval-augmented generation
015 (RAG) methods provide external information, the lack of explicit organization
016 among retrieved passages limits their effectiveness, leading to brittle reasoning
017 pathways. Recent interpretability studies highlighting the importance of structured
018 intermediate reasoning further align with this perspective. We propose Retrieval-
019 And-Structuring (RAS), a framework that dynamically constructs question-specific
020 knowledge graphs through iterative retrieval and structured knowledge building.
021 RAS interleaves targeted retrieval planning with incremental graph construction,
022 enabling models to assemble and reason over evolving knowledge structures tai-
023 lored to each query. On seven knowledge-intensive benchmarks, RAS consistently
024 outperforms strong baselines, achieving up to 8.7% and 7.0% gains with propri-
025 etary and open-source LLMs, respectively. Our results demonstrate that dynamic,
026 question-specific knowledge structuring offers a robust path to improving reasoning
027 accuracy and robustness in language model generation. Our data and code can be
028 found at: <https://anonymous.4open.science/r/RAS-Anonymous>.

029 1 INTRODUCTION 030

031 Complex reasoning tasks such as scientific analysis or multi-hop question answering demand both
032 comprehensive knowledge and structured logical thinking (Yang et al., 2018). While large language
033 models (LLMs) have achieved remarkable performance across a wide range of natural language
034 processing tasks (Devlin et al., 2018; Brown et al., 2020), they often struggle with knowledge-
035 intensive reasoning due to the absence of precise, logically organized information (Rae et al., 2021;
036 Ling et al., 2024). This limitation has motivated growing research into augmenting LLMs with
037 structured knowledge to enhance their reasoning capabilities (Wang et al., 2021).

038 Retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) approaches provide LLMs with additional context from
039 retrieved passages (Guu et al., 2020; Lewis et al., 2020; Izacard & Grave, 2021; He et al., 2024),
040 but often face hallucination challenges (Maynez et al., 2020; Zhang et al., 2023b), where generated
041 content deviates from retrieved information. This issue stems from the unstructured nature of
042 passages, which forces the model to implicitly bridge logical gaps. Briefly, interpretability analyses
043 have suggested that LLMs attempt to chain facts across context internally, and failures in these
044 implicit reasoning chains correlate with hallucinations (Lindsey et al., 2025). These findings reinforce
045 the need for explicitly structured intermediate knowledge to guide reasoning.

046 Recent efforts have integrated knowledge graphs (KGs) with LLMs (Sun et al., 2019; Yu et al., 2022;
047 He et al., 2024; Edge et al., 2024), providing compact relational representations that support more
048 interpretable reasoning (Hogan et al., 2021; Jiang et al., 2024; Sun et al., 2023). However, existing
049 approaches typically rely on static, corpus-wide graphs. This design introduces two limitations. *First*,
050 global KGs are costly to build and maintain: indexing a corpus like Wikipedia 2018 can require
051 millions of LLM calls and cost tens of thousands to millions of USD (see Appendix G). *Second*,
052 global graphs often blend evidence from many documents, leading to ambiguous or even contradictory
053 relations. For example, a global KG might simultaneously encode that Geoffrey Hinton is linked
to deep learning, to cognitive neuroscience, and to critiques of large models—without clarifying

which aspect is relevant to user query’s focus. Similarly, biomedical KGs may contain both positive and negative associations between a drug and a disease, reflecting conflicting studies. In contrast, a question-specific KG built from targeted documents resolves these conflicts by grounding relations in a coherent, query-relevant context.

These limitations highlight the need for knowledge graphs that are constructed on demand, tailored to the query, and structured to support reasoning. To this end, we propose **Retrieval-And-Structuring (RAS)**, a framework that dynamically constructs and reasons over question-specific knowledge graphs through iterative retrieval and structured knowledge building. The RAS process unfolds in three steps: (1) a **planning step** that identifies knowledge gaps and generates targeted sub-queries, (2) a **retrieval-and-structuring step** that extracts factual triples from retrieved passages and incrementally builds a question-specific graph, and (3) a **knowledge-augmented answering step** that produces final outputs conditioned on the accumulated structured knowledge.

RAS addresses several limitations of prior methods. Unlike traditional RAG, which performs single-pass retrieval (Guu et al., 2020; Lewis et al., 2020; Izacard & Grave, 2021), RAS iteratively plans and fills knowledge gaps at inference. In contrast to static KG-based approaches (He et al., 2024; Edge et al., 2024), RAS dynamically constructs question-specific graphs tailored to each question, capturing only task-relevant information. This design avoids both the inefficiency of offline indexing and the noise of global graphs, enabling precise and robust reasoning.

Through extensive evaluations across seven benchmarks spanning open-domain QA, closed-set QA, and long-form generation, RAS consistently outperforms strong baselines by 7.0% with open-source LLMs and 8.7% with proprietary models. Our main contributions are:

- We propose RAS, a framework that dynamically builds question-specific knowledge graphs through iterative retrieval and structuring.
- We design a unified graph structure-aware model that jointly plans retrieval and generates answers over evolving knowledge graphs.
- We show consistent gains across seven benchmarks, with up to 8.7% improvement over strong RAG baselines, while maintaining efficiency and scalability.

2 RELATED WORK

Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG). RAG enhances language model performance on knowledge-intensive tasks by incorporating retrieved passages into the model input (Guu et al., 2020; Lewis et al., 2020), improving factual accuracy and grounding. Early approaches retrieved a fixed number of passages once before generation (Shao et al., 2023; Es et al., 2024; Lyu et al., 2024a), while later methods explored adaptive retrieval (Jiang et al., 2023) or retrieval evaluation (Kim et al., 2024b) to improve relevance. Iterative retrieval-generation approaches (Shao et al., 2023; Guan et al., 2024) and targeted subquery strategies (Khattab et al., 2023; Yao et al., 2023; Press et al., 2022; Trivedi et al., 2023) progressively enrich the evidence. Self-RAG (Asai et al., 2023) introduced self-reflective retrieval, and RPG (Lyu et al., 2024b) extracted fine-grained paragraphs. More recent work, such as Search-R1 (Jin et al., 2025) and s3 (Jiang et al., 2025c), further improves RAG by reinforcement learning over search behaviors, with s3 showing that effective training is possible with far less data. Despite these advances, retrieved context often contains redundancy or misses critical facts. Our work departs from these by converting retrieved content into a structured, evolving graph aligned with the query.

Graph as Context for LLMs. Graphs offer explicit, relational structures that help models go beyond flat text by making multi-hop relationships more tractable (Yasunaga et al., 2021; 2022; Yu, 2022; Ju et al., 2022; Zhu et al., 2024; Gutiérrez et al., 2024). GraphToken (Perozzi et al., 2024) shows LLMs can process serialized graphs directly (Liu et al., 2021). G-Retriever (He et al., 2024) leverages global KGs for entity-centric subgraph retrieval, while GraphRAG-style methods (Edge et al., 2024; Jiang et al., 2025b) construct large corpus-level graphs with community summarization. These methods rely on static graphs, which are costly to construct (Appendix G) and often introduce irrelevant noise. By contrast, RAS builds *question-specific knowledge graphs* dynamically, eliminating prohibitive offline costs and providing denser, task-relevant context tailored to each reasoning trajectory. This design aligns with findings that many LLM errors stem from failed implicit reasoning chains (Lindsey et al., 2025), which explicit, query-focused structuring can mitigate.

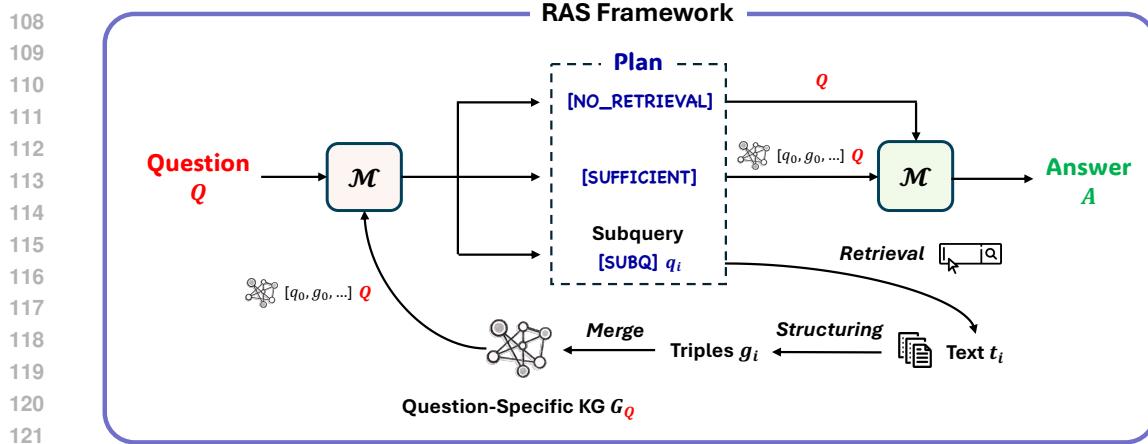


Figure 1: **Overview of the Retrieval-And-Structuring (RAS) framework.** RAS operates through three stages: (1) **Planning** (§3.1): the model strategically determines retrieval needs and generates focused sub-queries based on the current knowledge state; (2) **Text Retrieval and Structuring** (§3.2): the system retrieves passages based on sub-queries, extracts factual triples, and merges them into an evolving question-specific knowledge graph that expands iteratively with reasoning needs; and (3) **Answering** (§3.3): the accumulated structured knowledge is leveraged to generate the final output. We provide a step-by-step running example in Figure 26.

3 RETRIEVAL-AND-STRUCTURING (RAS) FRAMEWORK

Effective knowledge-intensive language generation requires not only retrieving relevant information, but also structuring and reasoning over it systematically. We introduce **Retrieval-And-Structuring (RAS)**, a framework that interleaves iterative retrieval planning with dynamic question-specific knowledge graph construction, enabling large language models (LLMs) to reason over progressively organized knowledge tailored to each query. Figure 1 illustrates the overall workflow.

Key Definitions. We define the core concepts used in the RAS framework as follows. The *Main question* (Q) denotes the original task input. A *subquery* (q_i) is a focused retrieval query generated at iteration i to obtain supporting evidence. At the first iteration, $q_0 = Q$. *Retrieved text* (t_i) is a set of the top- k documents retrieved by q_i . A text-to-triples model f_{t2t} converts retrieved text into *triples* (g_i), structured as subject-predicate-object facts. These triples are incrementally accumulated into an evolving *question-specific knowledge graph* (G_Q), representing organized evidence related to Q . The model \mathcal{M} produces an *plan* (p_i) at each step, determining whether to continue retrieval ([SUBQ]), stop retrieval ([SUFFICIENT]), or, initially, answer directly without retrieval ([NO_RETRIEVAL]).

3.1 KNOWLEDGE-AWARE PLANNING

The planning step initiates and controls the retrieval-and-structuring process by dynamically assessing the current knowledge state.

Initial Planning. Formally, given an input query Q , the model \mathcal{M} generates an initial plan p_0 :

$$p_0 \leftarrow \mathcal{M}(\emptyset; \text{INST}_{\text{Plan}}; \emptyset; Q) \quad (1)$$

where $\text{INST}_{\text{Plan}}$ is the planning instruction (as shown in Figure 16). p_0 can take one of two forms:

- ◊ **[SUBQ]** $q_0 = Q$: If \mathcal{M} assesses that the query cannot be satisfactorily answered with its own knowledge, we start the iteration with the main question Q as the initial subquery, and move to the next stage (§3.2).
- ◊ **[NO_RETRIEVAL]**: If \mathcal{M} determines that Q can be answered directly without requiring any additional knowledge, the planning process terminates, and the framework proceeds directly to the final Answering stage (§3.3).

162 **Iterative Planning.** At iteration $i > 0$, given the accumulated knowledge G_i and the subquery-triples
 163 history $[q_0, g_0, \dots, q_i, g_i]$, the model updates the plan:

$$p_{i+1} \leftarrow \mathcal{M}(\text{GNN}(G_i); \text{INST}_{\text{Plan}}; [q_0, g_0, \dots, q_i, g_i]; Q) \quad (2)$$

164 where GNN is a graph neural network for encoding and projecting the evolving KG G_i ; q_k is the
 165 subquery at iteration k , and g_k is the extracted graph information (a list of triples) from the retrieved
 166 context t_k .

167 The output p_{i+1} at each iteration can be either:

168 \diamond **[SUBQ]** q_{i+1} : The model generates a new subquery q_{i+1} to guide the retrieval of additional
 169 relevant knowledge. The subquery is designed to fill specific gaps in the current knowledge state
 170 with respect to answering Q . The framework proceeds to the next stage (§3.2).

171 \diamond **[SUFFICIENT]**: The accumulated knowledge G_i is deemed sufficient to comprehensively
 172 address the main question Q . The iterative retrieval process terminates, and the framework
 173 proceeds to the Answering stage (§3.3).

174 Planning serves as a key driver of the RAS framework’s iterative retrieval and refinement process. By
 175 dynamically assessing the adequacy of the retrieved knowledge and generating targeted sub-queries,
 176 it enables the efficient acquisition of query-relevant information.

177 3.2 TEXT RETRIEVAL AND STRUCTURING

178 Once **[SUBQ]** is detected, we use the subquery q_i to retrieve the text t_i and transform it into structured
 179 knowledge g_i , which is progressively merged to the question-specific graph G_Q .

180 **Text Retrieval.** We use a text retriever to retrieve the top- k semantically relevant passages t_i from
 181 the corpus C for each subquery q_i :

$$t_i \leftarrow \text{Retrieval}(q_i, C, k) \quad (3)$$

182 We use a standard dense retriever by default but note that RAS is compatible with more advanced
 183 information retrieval methods (Chaudhary et al., 2023; Kang et al., 2024; Jiang et al., 2025a).

184 **Text-to-Triples Conversion.** To extract essential factual information from the retrieved passages t_i ,
 185 we employ a text-to-triples model f_{t2t} . This model is trained on the full WikiOfGraph dataset (Kim
 186 et al., 2024a), which is a high-quality, LLM-curated text-to-triples corpus. Details of the training
 187 process are provided in Appendix D.1. The model generates structured triples in the following format:

$$g_i \leftarrow f_{t2t}(t_i) = [(s_0, r_0, o_0), \dots, (s_{|g_i|}, r_{|g_i|}, o_{|g_i|})] \quad (4)$$

188 where each triple (s_j, r_j, o_j) represents a subject-predicate-object fact extracted from the text. This
 189 structured representation enables efficient downstream reasoning and facilitates integration with
 190 external knowledge graphs. Although f_{t2t} is a lightweight LLM capable of fast inference using
 191 techniques such as quantization (Dettmers et al., 2022) and optimized inference frameworks like
 192 vLLM (Kwon et al., 2023), the text-to-triples conversion can be precomputed offline as well when
 193 maximal efficiency is required.

194 **Iterative Knowledge Enrichment to Question-Specific KG.** The extracted triples g_i are then
 195 converted into a graph structure $g'_i = (V_i, E_i)$, where V_i and E_i denote the sets of nodes and edges,
 196 respectively. Each node $v \in V_i$ corresponds to a unique subject or object entity in g_i , while each edge
 197 $e \in E_i$ represents a predicate connecting two entities. To enrich the graph with semantic information,
 198 the attributes of nodes and edges are obtained through Sentence-BERT (Reimers, 2019):

$$\text{emb}(v) \leftarrow \text{encode}(v), \forall v \in V_i; \quad \text{emb}(e) \leftarrow \text{encode}(e), \forall e \in E_i \quad (5)$$

199 These semantic embeddings enable the model to capture the nuanced relationships between entities
 200 and facilitate reasoning over the KG.

201 To progressively enrich the question-related knowledge in response to the evolving sub-queries, the
 202 structured graph g'_i at each iteration i is merged into an evolving KG $G_Q = (V_Q, E_Q)$ specific to the
 203 main question Q :

$$G_Q \leftarrow G_Q \cup g'_i \quad (6)$$

204 After enriching G_Q with the new knowledge, we plan (§3.1) for the next step. Based on G_Q and the
 205 chain of previous subqueries and their associated graph information, the model decides whether to
 206 generate another focused subquery for additional retrieval or to proceed with answering (§3.3) if the
 207 accumulated knowledge is sufficient.

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3.3 KNOWLEDGE-AUGMENTED ANSWERING

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When answering is triggered, the model \mathcal{M} generates an answer A to the main question Q either conditioned on knowledge graph G_Q and subquery chain $(q_0, g_0), \dots, (q_i, g_i)$ when retrieval-and-structuring was processed, or directly when no retrieval is needed.

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If no retrieval is needed ($p_0 = [\text{NO_RETRIEVAL}]$), the answer is generated directly:

$$A \leftarrow \mathcal{M}(\emptyset; \text{INST}_{\text{Ans}}; \emptyset; Q) \quad (7)$$

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Otherwise, after iterative knowledge enrichment concludes with **[SUFFICIENT]** plan or the maximum iteration is reached, the answer is generated using encoded KG (G_Q) and subquery chain:

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$$A \leftarrow \mathcal{M}(\text{GNN}(G_Q); \text{INST}_{\text{Ans}}; [q_0, g_0, \dots, q_i, g_i]; Q) \quad (8)$$

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where INST_{Ans} is the answering instruction (as shown in Figure 17). \mathcal{M} attends to knowledge in G_Q and subquery chain to generate accurate, coherent answers. This structured conditioning enables systematic reasoning grounded in the assembled knowledge.

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3.4 STURCTURE-AWARE MULTITASK LEARNING

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The RAS framework is trained through a multitask setup that unifies knowledge-aware planning and knowledge-augmented answering under a standard next-token prediction objective.

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Each training instance corresponds to either a planning task or an answering task, selected randomly:

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◊ **Planning:** Input: current encoded question-specific KG G_Q , planning instruction $\text{INST}_{\text{Plan}}$ (shown in Figure 16), subquery-triples history $([q_0, g_0, \dots, q_i, g_i])$, main question Q . Output: next plan p_{i+1} .

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◊ **Answering:** Input: final encoded question-specific KG G_Q , answering instruction INST_{Ans} (shown in Figure 17), subquery-triples history $([q_0, g_0, \dots, q_i, g_i])$, main question Q . Output: final answer A .

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The model \mathcal{M} used in RAS is based on *Graph LLM*, an architecture adapted from prior work (Perozzi et al., 2024; He et al., 2024). Note: This multi-task training setup is applied to open-source setting, while we test RAS under closed-source setting (see Appendix F.1) in Section 4 as well.

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4 EXPERIMENTS

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4.1 SETTINGS

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Training Data & Setting. We develop **HotpotQA-SUBQ**, a dataset constructed based on HotpotQA (Yang et al., 2018), to train our model’s action planning and answering capabilities. Our dataset creation begins with document filtering: using Claude-3.5-Sonnet (Anthropic, 2024), we identify and retain only the supporting documents necessary for answering the main question, removing irrelevant content. For each supporting document d_j , we then iteratively generate a subquery q_j , considering the main question, previous subqueries, and supporting documents. During iteration j , when more supporting documents remain, we create training samples with input $\{q_0, g_0, \dots, q_j, g_j, Q\}$ and output label “**[SUBQ] q_{j+1}** ”, where g_k represents triples extracted from document d_k , and Q is the main question. For the final supporting document, we label the sample as “**[SUFFICIENT]**”. To identify queries that can be answered directly, we test our base LLM (LLaMA-2-7B) on HotpotQA’s main

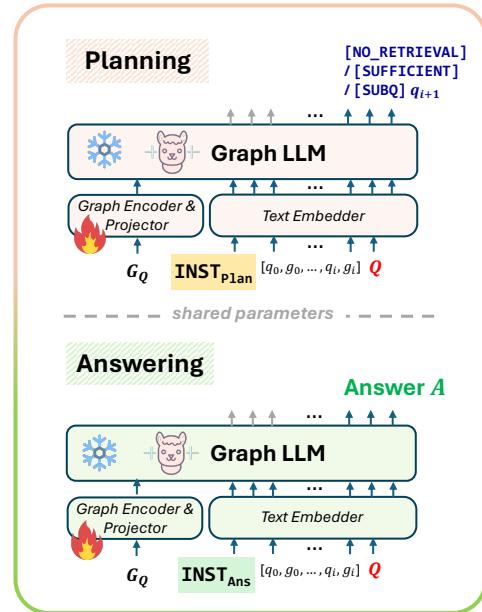


Figure 2: **Structure-Aware Multitask Learning for the Graph LLM in RAS.** A single LLM is trained with both planning and answering tasks in a parameter-efficient way (fine-tuning the graph components with LoRA (Hu et al., 2022)).

270 queries without context. For correctly answered queries, we create training samples with the main
 271 question Q as input and “[NO_RETRIEVAL]” as the output label. Additionally, to ensure fair
 272 comparison with existing approaches, we incorporate the subset of Arc-Easy (2,147 samples) and
 273 ASQA (3,897 samples) from Self-RAG’s training data, resulting in 208k training samples in total.
 274 We place detailed training data processing, dataset statistics, and data samples in Appendix C. For
 275 efficient inference, we train a text-to-triples model f_{t2t} on the WikiOFGraph dataset (Kim et al.,
 276 2024a) using LLaMA-3.2-3B-Instruct as the base model (see Appendix D), and deploy it using vLLM
 277 for optimized runtime performance. We present our hyperparameter study of each component in
 278 Appendix J. **Knowledge Sources.** We employ faiss (Douze et al., 2024) for efficient vector searching
 279 over the dense index. Following the Self-RAG (Asai et al., 2023), we utilize the Wikipedia 2018
 280 (Izacard et al., 2023) by default, while specifically using the Wikipedia 2020 for PopQA to access
 281 more recent information. To optimize retrieval efficiency, we partition the index into five segments.
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283 **Test Datasets & Metrics & Compared Baselines.** We conduct comprehensive evaluations on
 284 diverse knowledge-intensive tasks following previous studies (Asai et al., 2023; Lyu et al., 2024b).
 285 The evaluation encompasses three categories of datasets: (1) open-domain short-form generation
 286 datasets: TriviaQA (Joshi et al., 2017), PopQA (Mallen et al., 2022), and 2WikiMultihopQA (Ho
 287 et al., 2020); (2) closed-set task datasets: PubHealth (Zhang et al., 2023a) and ARC-Challenge (Clark
 288 et al., 2018); and (3) long-form generation datasets: ALCE-ASQA (Gao et al., 2023; Stelmakh et al.,
 289 2022) and ELI5 (Fan et al., 2019). For evaluation metrics, we maintain consistency with prior work
 290 (Asai et al., 2023; Mallen et al., 2022; Lyu et al., 2024b), employing “golden match” accuracy for
 291 PopQA and TriviaQA, token-level F1 score for 2WikiMultihopQA, accuracy for PubHealth and
 292 ARC-Challenge, and ROUGE-LSum alongside MAUVE score (Pillutla et al., 2021) for ASQA
 293 and ELI5. Our comparative analysis includes three baseline categories: models without retrieval
 294 augmentation, incorporating Claude 3.5 Sonnet as a state-of-the-art closed-source baseline; models
 295 with single retrieval over top-5 documents, including Claude 3.5 Sonnet, and SuRe (Kim et al.,
 296 2024b), a leading retrieve-and-summarize method; and models with self-reflective retrieval, including
 297 leading approaches Self-RAG (Asai et al., 2023), RPG (Lyu et al., 2024b), Search-R1 (Jin et al.,
 298 2025), and s3 (7B searcher combined with SFT’ed 7B generator) (Jiang et al., 2025c). We place more
 299 details of datasets and metrics in Appendices E.1 and E.2, respectively.
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301 **Inference Setting.** We evaluate RAS using both our trained open-source models ($RAS_{7B/8B}$,
 302 based on LLaMA-2-7B/LLaMA-3-8B and a Graph Transformer encoder (Shi et al., 2020)) and
 303 the closed-source Claude-3.5-Sonnet model under varied inference settings. For open-source models
 304 ($RAS_{7B/8B}$), we follow prior work (Asai et al., 2023; Lyu et al., 2024b) and adopt zero-shot inference
 305 across all datasets. For the closed-source model ($RAS_{Sonnet,3.5}$), we apply few-shot inference with two
 306 exemplars for ASQA and ELI5, while using zero-shot inference for all other datasets. More details
 307 are provided in Appendices F.1 and F.2.
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309 For PopQA and TriviaQA evaluation, we follow established settings (Asai et al., 2023; Luo et al.,
 310 2023a), incorporating top-five web search engine results as initial retrieved context t_0 . For ASQA
 311 and ELI5, we maintain methodological consistency with prior work (Lyu et al., 2024b; Asai et al.,
 312 2023; Gao et al., 2023), utilizing their *predetermined five-document context*. Under these conditions,
 313 we omit plan generation and text retrieval phases, implementing static inference (Asai et al., 2023)
 314 with five fixed iterations. For remaining datasets, we establish a maximum iteration count of
 315 five. Following previous studies, we employ Contriever-MS MARCO (Izacard et al., 2021) as the
 316 primary dense retriever, with BM25 (Robertson et al., 2009) serving as the retrieval mechanism for
 317 2WikiMultihopQA. Across all retrieval processes, we maintain a consistent top- k document selection
 318 of five. We present more details of inference settings in Appendix F.
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320 4.2 RESULTS

321 **Main Result.** Our performance evaluation, presented in Table 1, demonstrates that the LLaMA-2-
 322 7B/LLaMA-3-8B model fine-tuned with RAS outperforms existing SFT-based open-source solutions,
 323 including Self-RAG (Asai et al., 2023) and RPG (Lyu et al., 2024b). Notably, compared to the
 324 earlier SOTA models, RAS_{7B} shows a 9.7% improvement in short-form question-answering and a
 325 7.9% gain in long-form generation tasks. Additionally, when applied to Claude-3.5-Sonnet, RAS
 326 consistently achieves superior results compared to single retrieval RAG approaches, including retrieve-
 327 and-summarize approach SuRe (Kim et al., 2024b). We find that sometimes (e.g., on TriviaQA and

	Model/Method	Short-form			Closed-set		Long-form Generation			
		TQA (acc)	2WQA (F1)	PopQA (acc)	Pub (acc)	ARC (acc)	ASQA (rouge)	ASQA (mauve)	ELI5 (rouge)	ELI5 (mauve)
		w/o Retrieval								
Closed-source	ChatGPT _{~175B}	74.3	24.8	29.3	70.1	75.3	36.2	68.8	<u>22.8</u>	32.6
	Sonnet-3.5 _{~175B}	<u>78.4</u>	40.0	30.2	<u>83.7</u>	88.5	37.0	39.1	21.8	26.5
	w/ Single Retrieval (#docs=5)									
	Sonnet-3.5 _{#docs=1}	69.1	41.9	51.5	49.1	88.6	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Sonnet-3.5 _{#docs=5}	72.5	53.7	<u>57.3</u>	53.9	87.1	<u>38.8</u>	61.6	20.2	32.3
	SuRe _{GPT-4o} (Kim et al., 2024b)	72.3	38.1	53.6	57.2	79.6	36.0	<u>74.2</u>	19.2	<u>51.6</u>
	SuRe _{Sonnet-3.5}	76.8	37.6	41.2	62.8	91.6	30.2	69.9	15.4	27.2
	w/ Self-Reflective Retrieval									
	ReAct _{Sonnet-3.5} (Yao et al., 2023)	73.4	53.7	55.0	62.2	89.2	<u>38.8</u>	61.6	20.2	32.3
	IRCoT _{Sonnet-3.5} (Trivedi et al., 2023)	74.7	<u>54.9</u>	53.2	59.4	<u>92.0</u>	<u>38.8</u>	61.6	20.2	32.3
Open-source	Retrieval-And-Structuring (ours)									
	RAS _{Sonnet-3.5}	<u>77.6</u>	<u>57.7</u>	<u>62.3</u>	<u>71.3</u>	<u>93.9</u>	<u>39.1</u>	<u>70.5</u>	<u>23.3</u>	<u>37.7</u>
	w/o Retrieval									
	Llama2 _{7B}	30.5	18.9	14.7	34.2	21.8	15.3	19.0	18.3	32.4
	Llama2 _{13B}	38.5	20.2	14.7	29.4	29.4	12.4	16.0	18.2	41.4
	Llama3 _{8B}	56.1	21.2	26.7	33.2	42.2	17.6	25.0	18.2	39.7
	w/ Single Retrieval (#docs=5)									
	Llama2 _{7B}	42.5	21.0	38.2	30.0	48.0	22.1	32.0	18.6	35.3
	Llama2 _{13B}	47.0	31.2	<u>45.7</u>	30.2	26.0	20.5	24.7	18.6	42.3
	Llama3 _{8B}	60.4	33.4	48.6	36.5	40.1	23.9	52.1	18.8	40.7
	SuRe _{7B} (Kim et al., 2024b)	51.2	20.6	39.0	36.2	52.7	35.8	76.2	16.1	26.6
Open-source	w/ Self-Reflective Retrieval									
	Self-RAG _{7B} (Asai et al., 2023)	66.4	25.1	54.9	72.4	<u>67.3</u>	35.7	74.3	17.9	35.6
	Self-RAG _{13B}	69.3	26.9	55.8	74.5	73.1	37.0	71.6	18.7	38.5
	RPG _{7B} (Lyu et al., 2024b)	65.1	33.6	<u>56.0</u>	<u>73.4</u>	65.4	<u>37.6</u>	<u>84.4</u>	<u>19.1</u>	<u>46.4</u>
	Search-R1 _{7B} (Jin et al., 2025)	63.8	35.2	45.7	69.4	64.4	<u>35.2</u>	72.3	18.4	37.1
	s3 _{7B+st} (Jiang et al., 2025c)	<u>68.1</u>	<u>37.7</u>	50.1	72.1	66.9	35.4	79.7	18.7	40.5
	ReAct _{7B} (Yao et al., 2023)	64.0	25.0	42.7	52.4	59.0	22.1	32.0	18.6	35.3
	IRCoT _{7B} (Trivedi et al., 2023)	61.5	27.6	44.3	59.6	61.6	22.1	32.0	18.6	35.3
	Retrieval-And-Structuring (ours)									
	RAS _{7B}	<u>72.7</u>	<u>42.1</u>	<u>58.3</u>	<u>74.7</u>	<u>68.5</u>	<u>37.2</u>	<u>95.2</u>	<u>19.7</u>	<u>47.8</u>
	RAS _{8B}	73.8	44.2	<u>57.7</u>	<u>77.6</u>	<u>71.4</u>	37.6	96.2	20.1	54.4

Table 1: Performance Comparison. We highlight the **top-2 closed-source models** and **top-2 open-source 7B models**, with the best model in each category underlined for each dataset. RAS is designed for general open-domain question answering rather than Knowledge Graph Question Answering (KGQA) tasks (Perevalov et al., 2022); we therefore exclude comparisons with KGQA-specific methods (Sun et al., 2023; Luo et al., 2023b; Ma et al., 2024). Graph encoding and projection are omitted for RAS_{Sonnet-3.5}.

PubHealth) single-hop retrieval could not boost LLM’s performance, and even makes it worse, which demonstrates the necessity of on-demand retrieval, aligning with previous findings.

Although RAS integrates planning and answering in a unified framework, these components can be decoupled for greater flexibility. Our “role-swapping” study in Figure 3 demonstrates that performance is primarily constrained by answering capability rather than planning. When Sonnet-3.5 handles planning while RAS_{7B} performs answering, the system achieves 62.4% accuracy on ARC-C, compared to 93.9% when Sonnet-3.5 performs both tasks. Despite having 60× fewer parameters, RAS_{7B} achieves planning performance comparable to (and sometimes exceeding) Sonnet-3.5.

We analyze the impact of each component of RAS in Table 2 and provide detailed discussion below.

Effect of Iterative Planning and Retrieval. Comparing the base model with “No Planning” variant shows that iterative planning provides consistent improvements across all metrics (e.g., +8.8% on TQA, +9.0% on 2WQA). This demonstrates the importance of dynamically determining retrieval needs and generating focused sub-queries. Without planning, the model relies on single-pass retrieval, which may miss crucial information needed for complex reasoning. Also, when turning off retrieval, the performance degradation is more obvious, due to the knowledge-intensive nature of those datasets.

Effect of Graph Construction and Encoding. The impact of structured knowledge representation is evident from two ablations. First, “No Text-to-Triple” degrades performance significantly on all metrics (e.g., -9.0% on 2WQA, -22.2% MAUVE on ASQA), showing the value of essential information extraction via converting retrieved text into structured triples. Second, removing the

	TQA	2WQA	Pub	ASQA	
	(acc)	(F1)	(acc)	(rg) (mv)	
RAS _{7B}	72.7	42.1	74.7	37.2	95.2
Training Phase					
w/o GraphEncode	70.2	38.4	66.4	33.1	85.0
w/o LoRA	71.5	37.8	54.8	32.8	84.8
w/o Text-to-Triple	70.4	38.2	71.4	36.2	73.8
w/o Multi-Task	68.6	39.2	65.5	36.7	88.9
Inference Phase					
w/o Retrieval	56.9	27.4	69.0	31.3	70.6
w/o GraphEncode	68.8	38.7	67.3	36.5	93.6
w/o Planning	66.7	37.8	71.5	37.2	95.2

Table 2: **Ablations in Training and Inference (with RAS_{7B}).** **Training:** “No GraphEncode” removes the graph encoder during training, using only LoRA-based LLM fine-tuning. “No LoRA” uses graph token optimization without low-rank adaptation. “No Text-to-Triple” keeps the original retrieved texts instead of converting them into triples. “No Multi-Task” trains two models separately handling planning and answering. **Inference:** “No Retrieval” tests direct query answering without any context. “No GraphEncode” removes graph encoding and projection during inference, using only textual context. “No Planning” removes the planning module and runs single-pass retrieval-structuring-answering pipeline.

graph encoder (“No GraphToken”) during training or inference consistently hurts performance across datasets, with particularly large drops on PubHealth (-11.2% and -10.0% respectively). This suggests that the graph structure encoding helps the model better leverage the knowledge relationships.

Effect of LoRA and Multi-task Learning. Our experiments reveal that parameter-efficient training strategies significantly impact model performance. Using only graph token optimization without LoRA leads to substantial degradation (-11.8% on average). A similar observation can be made for “No Multi-Task” (e.g., 12.3% accuracy degradation on PubHealth), indicating the significance of jointly training the model on both action planning and answer generation tasks rather than optimizing for each task separately, supporting findings from prior work (Lyu et al., 2024b). The complementary effects suggest that while graph-based knowledge representation is valuable, it needs to be combined with careful parameter tuning and multi-task learning to achieve optimal performance.

Impact of Graph Information Abundance. Figure 4 shows that increasing the amount of structured graph information consistently improves RAS’s performance across tasks. For TQA, both RAS_{7B} and RAS_{8B} exhibit approximately linear gains as more triples are retained, with no clear saturation even at 100% information. For ASQA-MV, RAS_{7B} benefits from a sharp improvement between 10% and 30% graph information, followed by steady increases, while RAS_{8B} maintains a smoother and more stable growth pattern throughout. These results confirm that RAS effectively leverages structured knowledge at all levels of availability, and that more complete knowledge graphs consistently translate to stronger reasoning and generation quality. Additionally, the larger 8B model consistently outperforms the 7B variant under all conditions, suggesting that scaling the model size further enhances RAS’s ability to utilize structured knowledge. Interestingly, even partial graphs containing only 30%–50% of triples already deliver substantial gains over low-information baselines, highlighting RAS’s robustness to incomplete or partially retrieved knowledge.

Impact of Training Data Volume. Figure 6 demonstrates how training dataset size influences model performance across different tasks. Considering the computational efficiency, we sampled 2,000 instances each from TQA and 2WQA for evaluation, while maintaining the original sizes

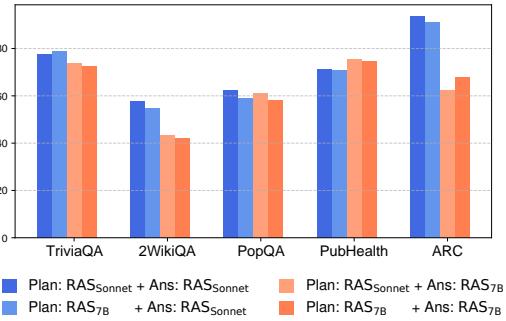


Figure 3: **Role-Swapping Study.** We alternate Sonnet-3.5 and RAS_{7B} on the planning and answering tasks, and evaluate the overall performance.

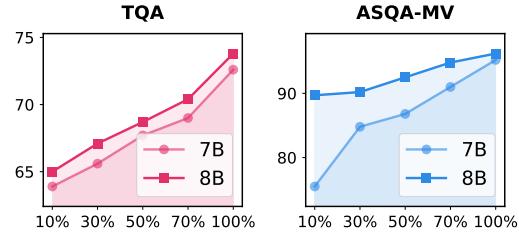


Figure 4: **Impact of Graph Information Abundance.** For each sample, we randomly shuffle its associated triples five times and take different ratios (10%–100%) of the shuffled data. The performance scores are averaged across these five shuffling runs.

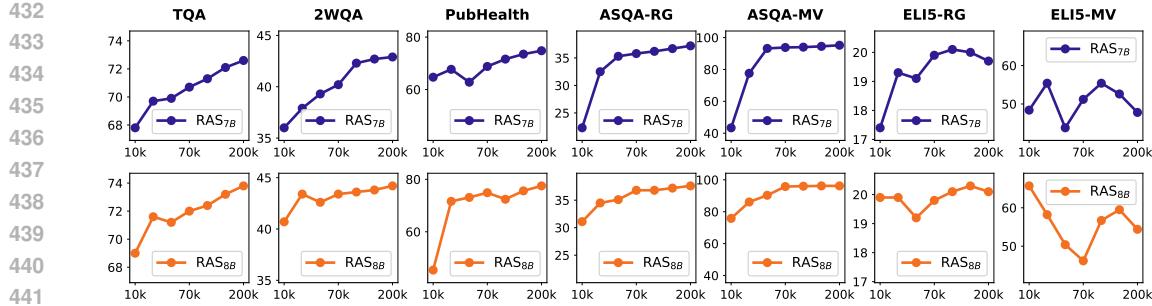


Figure 6: **Impact of Training Data Volume on Model Performance.** Results for RAS_{7B} (top) and RAS_{8B} (bottom) illustrate how performance scales with increasing training data.

of other datasets. The results indicate that model performance generally improves with increased training data volume. Notably, our model achieves competitive performance even with limited training data - using only 5% (10K instances) of our full dataset, it surpasses previous state-of-the-art models on TQA, 2WQA, and ELI5. These results suggest both the robustness of our architectural design and the effectiveness of our data curation methodology. However, we observed an exception with the ELI5 dataset, where performance were inconsistent. This irregularity can be attributed to the inclusion of ASQA training data in our training set, following established setting from previous research (Asai et al., 2023; Lyu et al., 2024b). Among our test datasets, ASQA and ELI5 are unique in requiring long-form response generation. The periodic decline in ELI5 performance suggests that the model’s response generation began to align more closely with ASQA’s training data distribution, potentially at the expense of ELI5’s distinct characteristics.

Impact of Triple Extractor Selection We examine how triple extraction quality affects RAS performance using three models: Flan-T5-Large, LLaMA-3.2-3B, and Claude-3.5-Sonnet.

As shown in Table 3, higher-quality extraction consistently improves results across datasets, with Claude-3.5-Sonnet achieving the best accuracy but at significantly lower efficiency (1.5e-2 sec/token vs 2.0e-4 for LLaMA-3.2-3B). These results demonstrate the accuracy-efficiency tradeoff in triple extraction, with LLaMA-3.2-3B providing the optimal balance for our experiments. Due to this fast structuring capability, RAS maintains comparable overall efficiency to popular frameworks like ReAct and IRCoT as shown in Figure 5.

5 CONCLUSION

We presented RAS, a framework that dynamically constructs question-specific knowledge graphs through iterative retrieval and structured reasoning. Experiments across seven benchmarks show consistent improvements of up to 6.4% and 7.0% with open-source and proprietary LLMs, respectively. The modular architecture enables transparent reasoning and seamless integration with external knowledge sources. Limitations and future work are discussed in Appendix A. The statement of the LLM usage is placed in Appendix B. Broader Impacts, safeguards, and used assets are discussed in Appendix K.

Triple Extractor f_{t2t}	Performance			Efficiency (tokens/s)
	TQA	2WQA	PopQA	
Flan-T5-Large	70.3	40.7	56.7	166.0
LLaMA-3.2-3B	<u>72.7</u>	<u>42.1</u>	<u>58.3</u>	4,885.3
Claude-3.5-Sonnet	73.8	44.5	60.1	68.2

Table 3: **Impact of Triple Extractor Selection.** Higher-quality text-to-triples models lead to better answer generation in RAS. Claude-3.5-Sonnet achieves the best performance on TriviaQA, 2WikiMultihopQA, and PopQA. LLaMA-3.2-3B (deployed w/ vLLM) is used in our experiments, selected for its strong balance between accuracy and efficiency.

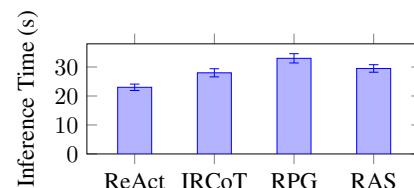


Figure 5: Inference time for 2-retrieval inference on 2WQA, using LLaMA-3-8B on a single NVIDIA A100 GPU (BF16, batch size = 1). Results are averaged over 30 runs.

486 ETHICS STATEMENT
487488 This work does not involve human subjects, personal data, or sensitive user information. Our
489 research focuses on algorithmic improvements for knowledge-intensive language model reasoning.
490 We are mindful of potential ethical concerns, such as risks of misinformation or biased outputs when
491 deploying retrieval-augmented LLMs. To mitigate these risks, we provide transparent descriptions of
492 our methods, ablation studies on failure cases, and open-sourcing of code and models to facilitate
493 community scrutiny. We also discuss broader impacts and safeguards in Appendix K.
494495 REPRODUCIBILITY STATEMENT
496497 We have made extensive efforts to ensure reproducibility. All implementation details, hyperpa-
498 rameters, and training settings are provided in the main text and Appendices D and F. Train-
499 ing data construction is detailed in Appendix C. A complete description of datasets, prepro-
500 cessing pipelines, and evaluation metrics can be found in Appendices E.1 and E.2. We also
501 include extensive ablation studies and sensitivity analyses in Section 4 to validate robustness.
502 Our data, code and scripts for reproducing experiments are released anonymously via <https://anonymous.4open.science/r/RAS-Anonymous> and the supplementary materials, with
503 permanent links to be provided after acceptance. Together, these resources ensure that reviewers and
504 future researchers can fully reproduce our results.
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A LIMITATIONS & FUTURE WORK

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866 While RAS demonstrates strong performance, several key limitations warrant consideration for future
867 improvements:
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- 869 • **Knowledge Extraction Quality:** The effectiveness of both planning and answer generation
870 depends on the quality of text-to-triple extraction. Despite using an end-to-end text-to-triples
871 model for triple extraction, implementing a more sophisticated approach – such as a dedicated
872 Named Entity Recognition and Relation Extraction (NER-RE) pipeline – could potentially
873 enhance RAS’s reasoning capabilities and knowledge representation.
- 874 • **Graph Evolution Strategy:** The current approach to evolving knowledge graphs could be
875 enhanced by incorporating more sophisticated graph pruning and merging strategies. Future
876 work could explore dynamic graph summarization techniques to maintain the most relevant
877 information while preventing excessive graph growth during iterations.
- 878 • **Cross-Domain Adaptability:** While RAS performs well on the evaluated tasks, its effectiveness
879 across highly specialized domains or multilingual settings remains to be investigated. Future
880 research could focus on developing domain-adaptation techniques and multilingual knowledge
881 structuring approaches.
- 882 • **Interactive Refinement:** The current implementation lacks mechanisms for interactive refine-
883 ment of the constructed knowledge graphs. Future versions could incorporate human feedback
884 loops to improve the quality of knowledge structuring and reasoning paths.

885 These limitations suggest several promising directions for future research, including improved
886 knowledge extraction techniques and enhanced graph evolution strategies. A particularly promising
887 direction is the integration of external knowledge graphs into RAS’s iterative loop, as its graph-based
888 architecture naturally accommodates the incorporation of established KGs like Wikidata or domain-
889 specific knowledge bases. This could significantly enhance the system’s reasoning capabilities by
890 combining dynamically constructed knowledge with curated structured information.

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B THE USE OF LARGE LANGUAGE MODELS

894 In this work, large language models (LLMs) were used *solely for drafting and polishing the*
895 *manuscript*. Their role was limited to grammar correction, phrasing refinement, and enhancing
896 readability. All research ideas, methodological innovations, theoretical analyses, and experimen-
897 tal work were entirely conceived, designed, and carried out by the authors. The authors take full
898 responsibility for the scientific content of the paper.

918 **C HOTPOTQA-SUBQ DATASET**
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920 The source of our dataset is HotpotQA (Yang et al., 2018).¹ Our goal is to create a dataset that can let
 921 the model learn the capabilities of subquery generation and answering with intensive knowledge. We
 922 name the dataset as HotpotQA-SUBQ.

923 The construction of HotpotQA-SUBQ includes three steps: (1) filter out irrelevant/unnecessary
 924 “supporting docs” (§C.1), (2) generate one subquery for each supporting document (§C.2), and (3)
 925 sample labeling (§C.3).

927 **C.1 SUPPORTING DOCUMENT FILTERING**
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929 To identify and filter out irrelevant supporting documents from HotpotQA, we employ an instruction-
 930 based approach using Claude 3.5 Sonnet, as shown in Figure 7.

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 933 Identify which documents are HELPFUL to answer the question. Output only the document
 934 numbers separated by commas.

935 Examples:

936 Example 1 (Some documents are not helpful):

937 Question: What nationality was James Henry Miller’s wife?

938 Supporting docs:

939 1. Margaret "Peggy" Seeger (born June 17, 1935) is an American folksinger. She is also well
 940 known in Britain, where she has lived for more than 30 years, and was married to the singer
 941 and songwriter Ewan MacColl until his death in 1989.

942 2. Seeger’s father was Charles Seeger (1886–1979), an important folklorist and musicologist;
 943 her mother was Seeger’s second wife, Ruth Porter Crawford.

944 3. James Henry Miller, better known by his stage name Ewan MacColl, was an English folk
 945 singer and songwriter.

946 Output: 1,3

947 Explanation: Only docs 1 and 3 are helpful – doc 1 shows Peggy Seeger (who is American)
 948 was married to Ewan MacColl, and doc 3 confirms Ewan MacColl is James Henry Miller. Doc 2
 949 about Seeger’s parents is not helpful.

950 Example 2 (All documents are helpful):

951 Question: The Oberoi family is part of a hotel company that has a head office in what city?

952 Supporting docs:

953 1. The Oberoi family is an Indian family that is famous for its involvement in hotels, namely
 954 through The Oberoi Group.

955 2. The Oberoi Group is a hotel company with its head office in Delhi.

956 Output: 1,2

957 Explanation: Both docs are helpful – doc 1 links the Oberoi family to The Oberoi Group, and
 958 doc 2 provides the head office location.

959 Question: **[question]**

960 Supporting docs:

961 **[enumerated_documents]**

962 Output only the helpful document numbers separated by commas:

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 965 **Figure 7: Prompt used for filtering supporting documents in HotpotQA.** The prompt includes
 966 examples to demonstrate the difference between helpful and irrelevant documents. The input parts to
 967 the prompt are highlighted.

968 The filtering prompt is designed with clear examples that illustrate the criteria for document relevance.
 969 For each HotpotQA sample, we enumerate all supporting documents and use Claude to identify only

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 971 ¹We use the version `hotpot_train_v1.1` from <https://github.com/hotpotqa/hotpot>.

972 those that contribute directly to answering the question. After filtering out irrelevant documents, we
 973 filter the question with no supporting documents. This filtering step reduces noise in the training data
 974 and helps focus the model on truly relevant information during sub-query generation.
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976 C.2 SUB-QUERY GENERATION

978 For sub-query generation, we use the template as follows to generate one subquery per (filtered)
 979 document:
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981 Given this main question and a supporting document, generate a simple sub-query (a
 982 question) that will help retrieve information from the document to answer the main question.
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984 Main Question: **[main_question]**
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986 Current Document ([topic]):
 987 **[document_content]**
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989 [If previous queries exist:]
 990 Previously generated sub-queries:
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992 - **[sub_query_1]**
 993 - **[sub_query_2]**
 994 ...
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996 Write ONE clear and specific question that:
 997 1. Can be answered using ONLY this document
 998 2. Helps retrieve information needed for the main question
 999 3. Is direct and focused on key information from this document
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1001 Write only the question, without any explanations or formatting.
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1003 **Figure 8: Prompt used for subquery generation from HotpotQA.** The input parts to the prompt
 1004 are highlighted.
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1008 The prompt template enforces document-specificity, goal-orientation, and conciseness in sub-query
 1009 generation. For iterative querying, we maintain a list of previously generated sub-queries to avoid
 1010 redundancy and encourage progressive information gathering.
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1012 C.3 SAMPLE LABELING

1014 The sample labeling process transforms the filtered and subquery-augmented HotpotQA examples
 1015 into training instances for both the Planning and Answering components. We formalize this process
 1016 in Algorithm 1.

1017 The algorithm takes as input the filtered HotpotQA dataset \mathcal{D} , base language model \mathcal{M} , and text-
 1018 to-triple conversion model f_{t2t} . For each example, we first attempt direct answer generation using
 1019 the base LLM (Line 3). If successful, we create **[NO_RETRIEVAL]** training instances for both the
 1020 planning and answering (Lines 4-6).

1021 For examples requiring retrieval, we process each supporting document sequentially:
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1. Convert document text to structured triples using f_{t2t} (Line 12)
2. For intermediate documents ($i < n$):
 - Construct input by concatenating previous subquery-graph pairs

1026 **Algorithm 1** HotpotQA-SUBQ Sample Labeling

1027 **Require:** \mathcal{D} : Filtered HotpotQA dataset

1028 **Require:** \mathcal{M} : Base LLM (LLaMA-2-7B)

1029 **Require:** f_{t2t} : Text-to-triple conversion model

1030 **Ensure:** \mathcal{T}_{plan} : Training data for Planning

1031 **Ensure:** \mathcal{T}_{ans} : Training data for Answering

1032 1: Initialize $\mathcal{T}_{plan}, \mathcal{T}_{ans} \leftarrow \{\}, \{\}$

1033 2: **for all** $(Q, \{d_0, \dots, d_n\}, A) \in \mathcal{D}$ **do**

1034 3: $\hat{A} \leftarrow \mathcal{M}(Q)$ ↔ Direct answer attempt

1035 4: **if** $\hat{A} = A$ **then**

1036 5: $\mathcal{T}_{plan} \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_{plan} \cup \{(Q, [\text{NO_RETRIEVAL}])\}$

1037 6: $\mathcal{T}_{ans} \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_{ans} \cup \{(Q, A)\}$

1038 7: continue

1039 8: **end if**

1040 9: $subq_0, \dots, subq_n \leftarrow \text{GenerateSubqueries}(Q, \{d_0, \dots, d_n\})$ ↔ Initialize graph contexts

1041 10: $G_0, \dots, G_n \leftarrow \emptyset$

1042 11: **for** $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** n **do**

1043 12: $g_i \leftarrow f_{t2t}(d_i)$ ↔ Convert text to triples

1044 13: **if** $i < n$ **then**

1045 14: $input \leftarrow \text{FormatInput}(\{(subq_j, g_j)\}_{j=0}^i, Q)$

1046 15: $\mathcal{T}_{plan} \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_{plan} \cup \{(input, [\text{SUBQ}] subq_{i+1})\}$

1047 16: **else**

1048 17: $input \leftarrow \text{FormatInput}(\{(subq_j, g_j)\}_{j=0}^n, Q)$

1049 18: $\mathcal{T}_{plan} \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_{plan} \cup \{(input, [\text{SUFFICIENT}])\}$

1050 19: $\mathcal{T}_{ans} \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_{ans} \cup \{(input, A)\}$

1051 20: **end if**

1052 21: $G_i \leftarrow G_{i-1} \cup g_i$ ↔ Accumulate graph context

1053 22: **end for**

1054 23: **end for**

1055 24: **return** $\mathcal{T}_{plan}, \mathcal{T}_{ans}$

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- Label with [SUBQ] and next subquery

1057 3. For final document ($i = n$):

- Include all accumulated context
- Label planning sample as [SUFFICIENT]
- Create answering training instance with ground truth answer

1063 The input formatting function (Lines 14 and 17) follows the template:

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[SUBQ]  $q_0$ 
Retrieved Graph Information:  $g_0$ 
[SUBQ]  $q_1$ 
Retrieved Graph Information:  $g_1$ 
...
Question: Q
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1072 This process generates two datasets:

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- \mathcal{T}_{plan} : Trains the planning ability to determine retrieval needs and generate targeted sub-queries
- \mathcal{T}_{ans} : Trains the answering ability to synthesize final responses from accumulated graph context

1079 Table 4 illustrates the distribution of our generated datasets. The planning dataset demonstrates a balanced distribution across three label types: 35% [SUFFICIENT], 55% [SUBQ], and 10%

1080 [NO_RETRIEVAL]. The answering dataset incorporates both no-retrieval and sufficient cases from
 1081 multiple sources. The size of the answering dataset exceeds the combined total of no-retrieval and
 1082 sufficient cases from the planning dataset for two reasons: first, we incorporated additional data from
 1083 ASQA and Arc-Easy datasets; second, we included no-retrieval cases that were initially filtered out
 1084 in step 1 of our process. This comprehensive approach ensures a robust training set for the answering
 1085 component.

1086 Our labeling approach ensures that models learn both the iterative nature of complex question
 1087 answering and the importance of structured knowledge representation. The complementary training
 1088 objectives help develop robust reasoning capabilities while maintaining retrievability of supporting
 1089 evidence.

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C.4 DATASET STATISTICS

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		Planning Data	Answering Data
1093 # Queries		129,902	78,164 (w/ 3,897 ASQA & 2,147 Arc-Easy)
1094 # Input Tokens	(Mean, Median, Max)	(338, 301, 1,910)	(475, 466, 2,214)
1095 # Output Tokens	(Mean, Median, Max)	(13, 12, 62)	(13, 4, 2,332)
1096 # Subqueries	(Min, Mean, Max)	(0, 0.8, 5)	(0, 1.2, 6)
1097 # [SUFFICIENT]		45,722	–
1098 # [SUBQ]		71,676	–
1099 # [NO_RETRIEVAL]		12,504	–
1100 # [SUBQ] Tokens	(Min, Mean, Max)	(6, 18.3, 62)	–
1101 # Nodes	(Mean, Median, Max)	(11.6, 11, 56)	(11.7, 11, 84)
1102 # Edges	(Mean, Median, Max)	(21.2, 20, 116)	(21.3, 20, 160)

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1104 Table 4: Statistics of our constructed HotpotQA-SUBQ dataset.

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C.5 DATA EXAMPLES

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“input”:
 You are a planner to determine if the question can be answered with current information and output the appropriate label as well as the subquery if needed.
 Output [NO_RETRIEVAL] if the question can be directly answered with the question itself without any retrieval.
 Output [SUBQ] with an subquery for retrieval if still needs a subquery.
 Output [SUFFICIENT] if the question can be answered with the provided information.

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Question: Given a chat history separated by new lines, generates an informative, knowledgeable and engaging response. ## Input:
 I love pizza. While it's basically just cheese and bread you can top a pizza with vegetables, meat etc. You can even make it without cheese!
 Pizza is the greatest food ever! I like the New York style. I do too. I like that the crust is only thick and crisp at the edge, but soft and thin in the middle so its toppings can be folded in half.
 Absolutely! I am not that big of a fan of Chicago deep dish though.”

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“label”: [NO_RETRIEVAL]

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1115 Figure 9: Training Data Example (Planning – [NO_RETRIEVAL])

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“input”:
 You are a planner to determine if the question can be answered with current information and output the appropriate label as well as the subquery if needed.
 Output [NO_RETRIEVAL] if the question can be directly answered with the question itself without any retrieval.
 Output [SUBQ] with an subquery for retrieval if still needs a subquery.
 Output [SUFFICIENT] if the question can be answered with the provided information.

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[SUBQ] Where is The Pick Motor Company Limited located?
Retrieved Graph Information: [(S> Pick Motor Company Limited| P> Alias| O> New Pick Motor Company), (S> Pick Motor Company Limited| P> Location| O> Stamford, Lincolnshire), (S> Pick Motor Company Limited| P> Operational period| O> 1899-1925), (S> Pick Motor Company Limited| P> Industry| O> Motor vehicle manufacturing)]

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Question: The Pick Motor Company Limited is located in a town on which river ?”

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“label”: [SUBQ] Which river is Stamford located on?”

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1134 Figure 10: Training Data Example (Planning – [SUBQ])

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 "input": "
 1137 You are a planner to determine if the question can be answered with current information and output the appropriate label as well as the
 subquery if needed.
 1138 Output [NO_RETRIEVAL] if the question can be directly answered with the question itself without any retrieval.
 1139 Output [SUBQ] with an subquery for retrieval if still needs a subquery.
 1140 Output [SUFFICIENT] if the question can be answered with the provided information.
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 [SUBQ] What gaming control board in Ohio is Martin R. Hoke a member of?
 1142 Retrieved Graph Information: ["(S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Former position| O> Member of the United States House of Representatives)", '(S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Birth date| O> May 18, 1952)', '(S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Occupation| O> Politician)', '(S> Martin R. Hoke| P> State| O> Ohio)', '(S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Nationality| O> American)', '(S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Party| O> Republican)', '(S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Member of| O> Ohio Casino Control Commission)', '(S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Born| O> 1952)']
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 [SUBQ] What gaming control board provides oversight of Ohio's casinos?
 1144 Retrieved Graph Information: ["(S> Ohio Casino Control Commission| P> Function| O> Provides oversight of the state's casinos)", '(S> Ohio Casino Control Commission| P> Location| O> Ohio)', '(S> Ohio Casino Control Commission| P> Type| O> Gaming control board)', '(S> Ohio Casino Control Commission| P> Abbreviation| O> OCCC)']
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 Question: Martin R. Hoke, is an American Republican politician, member of which gaming control board in Ohio that provides oversight of the
 1146 state's casinos?
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 1150 "label": "[SUFFICIENT]"

Figure 11: Training Data Example (Planning – [SUFFICIENT])

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 "input": "
 1159 You are a answerer given a question and retrieved graph information.
 Each [SUBQ] is a subquery we generated through reasoning for the question. The retrieved graph information follows each [SUBQ] is relevant
 graph information we retrieved to answer the subquery.
 1160 [NO_RETRIEVAL] means the question can be answered with the question itself without any retrieval.
 1161 The main question starts with \"Question: \". Please answer the question, with subqueries and retrieved graph information if they are helpful.
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 [NO_RETRIEVAL]
 Question: Which person won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1961, Ivo Andri or Nicholas Pileggi?",
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 1164 "label": "Ivo Andri"

Figure 12: Training Data Example (Answering – [NO_RETRIEVAL])

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 "input": "
 1173 You are a answerer given a question and retrieved graph information.
 Each [SUBQ] is a subquery we generated through reasoning for the question. The retrieved graph information follows each [SUBQ] is relevant
 graph information we retrieved to answer the subquery.
 1174 [NO_RETRIEVAL] means the question can be answered with the question itself without any retrieval.
 1175 The main question starts with \"Question: \". Please answer the question, with subqueries and retrieved graph information if they are helpful.
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 [SUBQ] What type of athlete is Darold Williamson?
 1177 Retrieved Graph Information: ["(S> Darold Williamson| P> Nationality| O> American)", '(S> Darold Williamson| P> Birth date| O> February 19, 1983)', '(S> Darold Williamson| P> Occupation| O> Track athlete)"]
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 [SUBQ] What specific skills are included in track and field events?
 1179 Retrieved Graph Information: ["(S> Athletics| P> Includes| O> Road running)", '(S> Track and field| P> Includes| O> Throwing)', '(S> Track and field| P> Includes| O> Jumping)', '(S> Athletics| P> Includes| O> Cross country running)', '(S> Track and field| P> Categorised under| O> Athletics)', '(S> Track and field| P> Includes| O> Running)', '(S> Track and field| P> Venue| O> Stadium with an oval running track enclosing a grass field)', '(S> Athletics| P> Includes| O> Track and field)', '(S> Athletics| P> Includes| O> Race walking)', '(S> Track and field| P> Based on skills of| O> Running)', '(S> Track and field| P> Based on skills of| O> Jumping)', '(S> Track and field| P> Based on skills of| O> Throwing)']
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 Question: Darold Williamson is an athlete in what running and jumping sport?",
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 1184 "label": "Track and field"

Figure 13: Training Data Example (Answering – [SUFFICIENT])

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D TRAINING DETAILS

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D.1 TEXT-TO-TRIPLES MODEL TRAINING

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For our text-to-triple conversion model, we fine-tuned a Flan-T5-Large model (Chung et al., 2024) and a LLaMA-3.2-3B-Instruct model (Grattafiori et al., 2024) to transform raw text passages into structured knowledge triples. The model processes input text sequences up to 512 tokens in length and generates structured triples in a standardized format “(S > subject| P> predicate| O> object)”.

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Our training dataset WikiOFGraph (Kim et al., 2024a), curated by ChatGPT, comprises 5,851,776 text-triple pairs, with an additional 5,000 samples reserved for validation. Each training instance consists of a natural language text passage paired with its corresponding set of comma-separated triples. For example:

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Text:
"William Gerald Standridge (November 27, 1953 – April 12, 2014) was an American stock car racing driver. He was a competitor in the NASCAR Winston Cup Series and Busch Series."

Triples:
(S> William gerald standridge| P> Nationality| O> American),
(S> William gerald standridge| P> Occupation| O> Stock car racing driver),
(S> William gerald standridge| P> Competitor| O> Busch series),
(S> William gerald standridge| P> Competitor| O> Nascar winston cup series),
(S> William gerald standridge| P> Birth date| O> November 27, 1953),
(S> William gerald standridge| P> Death date| O> April 12, 2014)

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Figure 14: Example of WikiOFGraph data

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We implemented the training using the AdamW optimizer with a learning rate of 2e-5, incorporating linear warmup and decay schedules. The training process ran for 500,000 steps with a batch size of 32 per GPU and gradient accumulation over 4 steps. To optimize training efficiency and memory usage, we employed mixed-precision training using bfloat16 and applied weight decay at 0.01. The maximum source and target sequence lengths were set to 512 and 256 tokens respectively.

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For evaluation, we primarily relied on ROUGE-1, ROUGE-2, and ROUGE-L scores to assess the quality of triple generation. We supplemented these metrics with custom triple matching accuracy measures that consider subject matching, predicate normalization, and object entity alignment. Validation metrics were computed at 5,000-step intervals throughout training.

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The training curves for various metrics are shown in Figure 15, demonstrating steady improvement in the model’s ability to extract structured knowledge from text. The training of this model was conducted on eight NVIDIA RTX 6000 with 48GB memory.

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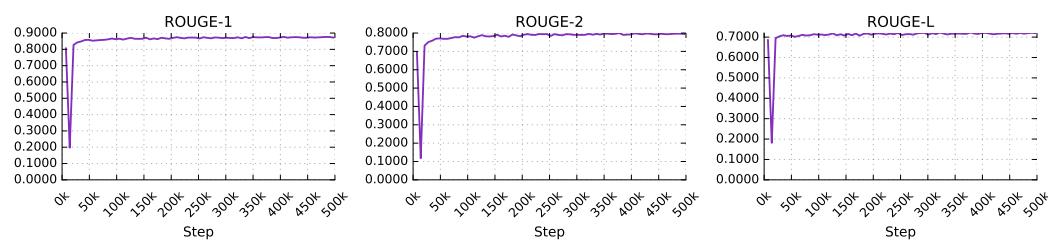
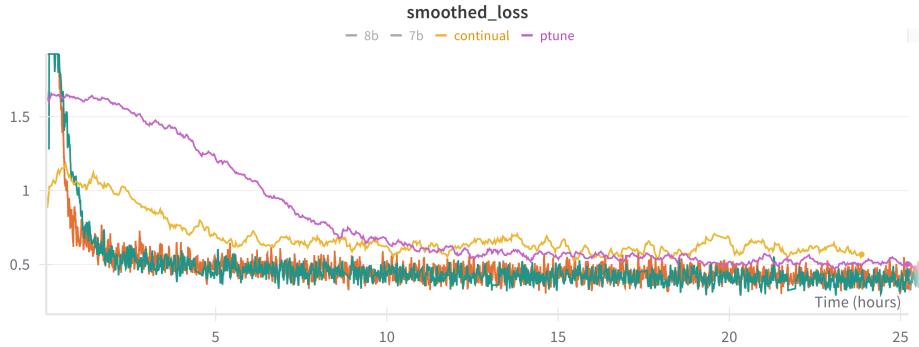
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Figure 15: Text-to-Triple Model (base model: Flan-T5-Large) Training Curves.

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1242 D.2 MULTITASK TRAINING OF PLANNING AND ANSWERING CAPABILITIES
12431244 We employ Graph LLM (Perozzi et al., 2024; He et al., 2024) as our foundational model architecture
1245 and utilize our constructed HotpotQA-SUBQ dataset to train a unified model capable of performing
1246 both graph-conditioned action planning and answer generation through multitask learning.1247 Since both tasks share an identical architectural foundation, as illustrated in Figure ??, we differentiate
1248 their functionality through specialized instruction sets. For Planning, we employ the following
1249 instruction template:1250
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1252 You are a planner to determine if the question can be answered with current information and
1253 output the appropriate label as well as the subquery if needed.
1254 Output [NO_RETRIEVAL] if the question can be directly answered with the question itself
1255 without any retrieval.
1256 Output [SUBQ] with an subquery for retrieval if still needs a subquery.
1257 Output [SUFFICIENT] if the question can be answered with the provided information.1258
1259 Figure 16: Instruction $\text{INST}_{\text{Plan}}$ for Planning.
12601261 For the Answering, we utilize this distinct instruction set:
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12641265 You are an answerer given a question and retrieved graph information.
1266 Each [SUBQ] is a subquery we generated through reasoning for the question. The retrieved
1267 graph information follows each [SUBQ] is relevant graph information we retrieved to answer the
1268 subquery.
1269 [NO_RETRIEVAL] means the question can be answered with the question itself without any
1270 retrieval.
1271 The main question starts with "Question: ". Please answer the question, with subqueries and
1272 retrieved graph information if they are helpful.1273
1274 Figure 17: Instruction INST_{Ans} for Answering.
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12761296 Figure 18: Training loss comparison over one epoch. The plot compares RAS-7B (green) and RAS-8B (orange)
1297 training trajectories. Two additional RAS-7B variants are shown: “continual” (yellow): a continual learning
1298 approach where Answering training precedes Planning training, and “ptune” (purple): a parameter-efficient
1299 variant that only tunes graph tokens without LoRA. The lower and more stable loss curves of the standard RAS
1300 variants demonstrate the effectiveness of joint training with LoRA. We use the last 100 steps for loss smoothing.1301 For graph encoding, we implement Graph Transformer (Shi et al., 2020), selected for its robust
1302 capability in handling non-fully-connected graphs—a common characteristic of text-extracted triples.
1303 Our base language models comprise LLaMA-2-7B and LLaMA-3-8B, chosen both to maintain

1296 consistency with previous research (Asai et al., 2023; Lyu et al., 2024b) and to investigate our
 1297 framework’s performance scaling across different model capacities.
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1299 Our implementation of GraphLLM differs from G-Retriever (He et al., 2024) primarily due to
 1300 the distinct nature of our graph structures. While G-Retriever operates on single interconnected
 1301 graphs, our framework processes multiple potentially disconnected subgraphs, each corresponding to
 1302 different subqueries. To address this architectural difference, we adopt a sequential encoding strategy:
 1303 rather than encoding the entire graph at once, we process each subgraph individually using Graph
 1304 Transformer, followed by mean pooling across all subgraph embeddings to produce the final encoded
 1305 representation.

1306 The training process utilizes 4 NVIDIA RTX 6000 Ada Generation GPUs, each with 48GB memory.
 1307 We train all models for 2 epochs using a batch size of 2 and gradient accumulation steps of 2,
 1308 implementing a peak learning rate of 1e-5 with a 0.15 warmup ratio and 0.01 decay rate. The
 1309 maximum sequence lengths are set to 300 tokens for generation and 2,500 tokens for input, with
 1310 training conducted in BFloat16 precision.

1311 E EVALUATION DATASETS & METRICS

1312 E.1 TEST DATASETS

1313 We evaluate RAS on diverse benchmark datasets spanning short-form QA, closed-set tasks, and
 1314 long-form generation in the zero-shot setting, aligning with (Asai et al., 2023; Lyu et al., 2024b).
 1315 Below we describe each dataset:

1316 **Short-form Generation Datasets:**

- 1317 • **TriviaQA-unfiltered (TQA)** (Joshi et al., 2017): A large-scale QA dataset containing 11,313
 1318 question-answer pairs in our test set. The questions are sourced from trivia enthusiasts and
 1319 cover diverse topics.
- 1320 • **2WikiMultiHopQA (2WQA)** (Ho et al., 2020): A multi-hop question answering dataset
 1321 (with 12,576 samples in test set) that requires models to combine information from multiple
 1322 Wikipedia articles to answer questions.
- 1323 • **PopQA** (Mallen et al., 2022): A dataset focusing on questions about long-tail entities,
 1324 containing 1,399 queries where the monthly Wikipedia page views are less than 100. These
 1325 questions test models’ ability to handle queries about less common entities.

1326 **Closed-set Tasks:**

- 1327 • **PubHealth** (Pub) (Zhang et al., 2023a): A dataset for verifying health-related claims.
 1328 Models must classify statements as "true" or "false" based on scientific evidence. The
 1329 dataset contains 987 test samples.
- 1330 • **ARC-Challenge** (ARC) (Clark et al., 2018): A multiple-choice science question dataset
 1331 designed to be challenging for models, requiring multi-hop reasoning and background
 1332 knowledge. The dataset contains 1,172 test samples.

1333 **Long-form Generation Datasets:**

- 1334 • **ASQA** (Stelmakh et al., 2022): A long-form question answering dataset that requires models
 1335 to generate comprehensive answers with proper citation of sources. Models must balance
 1336 information completeness with factual accuracy. The dataset contains 948 test samples.
- 1337 • **ELI5** (Fan et al., 2019): A dataset derived from the "Explain Like I’m Five" subreddit,
 1338 containing questions seeking straightforward explanations of complex topics. The dataset
 1339 contains 1,000 test samples.

1350 E.2 EVALUATION METRICS
13511352 We employ different evaluation metrics appropriate for each task category:
13531354 **Short-form Generation:**1355 • For PopQA and TriviaQA, we use the "golden match" metric (Asai et al., 2023; Min et al.,
1356 2019; Guu et al., 2020)², where a prediction p is considered correct if it contains any
1357 normalized version of the ground truth answers $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_n\}$:
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$$\text{match}(p, G) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \exists g \in G : \text{norm}(g) \subseteq \text{norm}(p) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

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1361 where $\text{norm}(\cdot)$ normalizes text by lowercasing, removing articles and punctuation.
13621363 • For 2WikiMultiHopQA, we follow RPG (Lyu et al., 2024b)³ to use token-level F1 score
1364 between prediction p and ground truth g :

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$$\text{F1}(p, g) = 2 \cdot \frac{\text{precision} \cdot \text{recall}}{\text{precision} + \text{recall}} \quad (10)$$

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1367 where precision and recall are computed over normalized token overlap:
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$$\text{precision} = \frac{|\text{tokens}(p) \cap \text{tokens}(g)|}{|\text{tokens}(p)|} \quad (11)$$

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$$\text{recall} = \frac{|\text{tokens}(p) \cap \text{tokens}(g)|}{|\text{tokens}(g)|} \quad (12)$$

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1373 **Closed-set Tasks:** For both PubHealth and ARC-Challenge, we use accuracy (Asai et al., 2023),
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$$\text{accuracy} = \frac{|\{i : \text{norm}(p_i) = \text{norm}(g_i)\}|}{N} \times 100 \quad (13)$$

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1378 where N is the total number of examples.
13791380 **Long-form Generation:** For ASQA and ELI5, we use multiple metrics⁴:
13811382 • ROUGE-L score to measure the longest common subsequence between prediction and
1383 reference (Lin, 2004)
1384 • MAUVE score (Pillutla et al., 2021) to test the generation fluency by comparing the distribution
1385 of generated text against human references
13861387 All scores are reported as percentages, multiplied by 100.
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1390 ²Implementation aligned with https://github.com/AkariAsai/self-rag/blob/main/retrieval_lm/metrics.py
13911392 ³Implementation aligned with <https://github.com/haruhi-sudo/RPG/blob/main/retriever/src/evaluation.py>
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1404 F INFERENC& EVALUATION DETAILS

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 1406 We evaluated RAS using both closed-source and open-source language models. For closed-source
 1407 evaluation, we used Claude-3.5-Sonnet (Sonnet-3.5) as our base model. For open-source evaluation,
 1408 we tested with both LLaMA-2-7B and LLaMA-3-8B, as shown in the performance table (Table 1).
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1410 For the open-source models, we first fine-tuned the GraphLLM architecture on our HotpotQA-SUBQ
 1411 dataset (see Section D.2). We then conducted zero-shot knowledge-intensive generation tests. With
 1412 Claude-3.5-Sonnet, we used few-shot prompting for both action planning and answer generation
 1413 phases. Below, we detail our approach for each model type.
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1415 F.1 CLOSED-SOURCE MODEL SETTINGS

1416 For **Text-to-Triple Conversion** (Figure 19), we instruct the model to extract structured knowl-
 1417 edge triples following specific formatting rules. The prompt precisely defines the triple format
 1418 as $(S > \text{subject} | P > \text{predicate} | O > \text{object})$ and provides comprehensive guidelines to ensure
 1419 consistent knowledge representation. Key rules include extracting maximal meaningful relationships,
 1420 maintaining original entity casing, avoiding pronoun usage, and ensuring clear predicate specification.
 1421 The example demonstrates the conversion of a biographical text into structured triples, showing how
 1422 complex information about an individual’s life, career, and temporal details can be systematically
 1423 decomposed into atomic facts. This standardized format enables reliable knowledge accumulation
 1424 and reasoning in subsequent stages of the RAS framework.
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1426 Extract relationship triples from the given text.
 1427 Each triple should have exactly one subject (S>), one predicate (P>), and one object (O>).
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1429 **Rules:**

1. Extract as many meaningful triples as possible
2. Each triple must be in format: (S> subject| P> predicate| O> object)
3. Multiple triples should be separated by commas
4. Avoid using pronouns (it/he/she) - always use the actual names
5. Keep all entities in their original case (uppercase/lowercase)
6. Make predicates clear and specific
7. When input is only an entity, output (S> ENTITY| P> is| O> ENTITY) where ENTITY is the entity in the input.
8. [IMPORTANT] Do not include any other text in the output, only the triples or the entity (for the Rule 7 case).

1433 **Example Input:**

1434 "William Gerald Standridge (November 27, 1953 – April 12, 2014) was an American stock car racing driver. He was a competitor in the
 1435 NASCAR Winston Cup Series and Busch Series."

1436 **Example Output:**

1437 (S> William gerald standridge| P> Nationality| O> American),
 1438 (S> William gerald standridge| P> Occupation| O> Stock car racing driver),
 1439 (S> William gerald standridge| P> Competitor| O> Busch series),
 1440 (S> William gerald standridge| P> Competitor| O> Nascar winston cup series),
 1441 (S> William gerald standridge| P> Birth date| O> November 27, 1953),
 1442 (S> William gerald standridge| P> Death date| O> April 12, 2014)

1443 **Input Text:**

1444 {text}

1445 Figure 19: Few-shot prompt for text-to-triples transformation with closed-source LLM.

1446 For **Planning** (Figure 20), we design a comprehensive prompt that guides the model in making
 1447 strategic decisions about information retrieval needs. The prompt instructs the model to output one of
 1448 three labels based on careful analysis of the current knowledge state: (1) [NO_RETRIEVAL] when
 1449 the question can be answered directly, either due to the model’s inherent knowledge or the question’s
 1450 nature, (2) [SUBQ] accompanied by a focused subquery when additional information is needed,
 1451 or (3) [SUFFICIENT] when the accumulated knowledge is adequate to answer the question. The
 1452 prompt includes diverse examples demonstrating different scenarios:

1453 (1) Generating follow-up queries based on partial information (2) Creating new queries when relevant
 1454 information is missing (3) Recognizing when accumulated information is sufficient (4) Identifying
 1455 questions that don’t require external knowledge (5) Handling common knowledge questions

1456 A key feature of the prompt is its emphasis on query efficiency - it explicitly prohibits generating
 1457 redundant subqueries that might retrieve already-known information. This design helps maintain the
 1458 system’s efficiency while ensuring comprehensive knowledge gathering.

1458 You are a planner to determine if the question can be answered with current information (Subquery [PREV_SUBQ] and retrieved graph
 1459 information [PREV_GRAPH_INFO]) and output the appropriate label as well as the subquery if needed.
 1460 Output [NO_RETRIEVAL] if the question can be directly answered with the question itself without any retrieval. You are expected to output
 1461 [NO_RETRIEVAL] either if you believe an LLM is knowledgeable enough to answer the question, or if you believe the question type is not
 1462 suitable for retrieval.
 1463 Output [SUBQ] with an subquery for retrieval if still needs a subquery. Do not make an similar subquery that has been made before
 1464 ([PREV_SUBQ]), as it is very likely to retrieve the same information.
 1465 Output [SUFFICIENT] if the question can be answered with the provided information.
 1466 The main question starts with "Question: ".

1467 **Examples:**

1468 Example 1 (Use the information in [PREV_GRAPH_INFO] to further generate a new subquery):
 1469 Input:
 1470 [PREV_SUBQ] Where is The Pick Motor Company Limited located?
 1471 [PREV_GRAPH_INFO] [('S> Pick Motor Company Limited| P> Alias| O> New Pick Motor Company'), ('S> Pick Motor Company Limited| P> Location| O> Stamford, Lincolnshire'), ('S> Pick Motor Company Limited| P> Operational period| O> 1899-1925'), ('S> Pick Motor Company Limited| P> Industry| O> Motor vehicle manufacturing)]
 1472 Question: The Pick Motor Company Limited is located in a town on which river ?,
 1473 Output:
 1474 [SUBQ] Which river is Stamford located on?

1475 Example 2 (No relevant information found in [PREV_GRAPH_INFO]):
 1476 Input:
 1477 [PREV_SUBQ] What medals did Michael Johnson win in the 1996 Olympics?
 1478 [PREV_GRAPH_INFO] [('S> Michael Johnson| P> Nationality| O> American'), ('S> Michael Johnson| P> Birth date| O> September 13, 1967'), ('S> Michael Johnson| P> Sport| O> Track and field'), ('S> Michael Johnson| P> Team| O> United States Olympic team)]
 1479 Question: What was Michael Johnson's winning time in the 400m at the 1996 Olympics?
 1480 Output:
 1481 [SUBQ] What records or times did Michael Johnson set in the 400m at the 1996 Olympic Games?

1482 Example 3 (The current information is sufficient to answer the question):
 1483 Input:
 1484 [PREV_SUBQ] What gaming control board in Ohio is Martin R. Hoke a member of?
 1485 [PREV_GRAPH_INFO] [('S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Former position| O> Member of the United States House of Representatives'), ('S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Birth date| O> May 18, 1952'), ('S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Occupation| O> Politician'), ('S> Martin R. Hoke| P> State| O> Ohio'), ('S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Nationality| O> American'), ('S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Party| O> Republican'), ('S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Member of| O> Ohio Casino Control Commission'), ('S> Martin R. Hoke| P> Born| O> 1952')]
 1486 [PREV_SUBQ] What gaming control board provides oversight of Ohio's casinos?
 1487 [PREV_GRAPH_INFO] [("S> Ohio Casino Control Commission| P> Function| O> Provides oversight of the state's casinos"), ('S> Ohio Casino Control Commission| P> Location| O> Ohio'), ('S> Ohio Casino Control Commission| P> Type| O> Gaming control board'), ('S> Ohio Casino Control Commission| P> Abbreviation| O> OCCC)]
 1488 Question: Martin R. Hoke, is an American Republican politician, member of which gaming control board in Ohio that provides oversight of the state's casinos?
 1489 Output:
 1490 [SUFFICIENT]

1491 Example 4 (The question is not suitable for retrieval):
 1492 Input:
 1493 Given a chat history separated by new lines, generates an informative, knowledgeable and engaging response.
 1494 ##Input:
 1495 I love pizza. While it's basically just cheese and bread you can top a pizza with vegetables, meat etc. You can even make it without cheese!
 1496 Pizza is the greatest food ever! I like the New York style.
 1497 I do too. I like that the crust is only thick and crisp at the edge, but soft and thin in the middle so its toppings can be folded in half.
 1498 Absolutely! I am not that big of a fan of Chicago deep dish though
 1499 Output:
 1500 [NO_RETRIEVAL]

1501 Example 5 (You are knowledgeable enough to answer the question):
 1502 Input:
 1503 What is the capital of the United States?
 1504 Output:
 1505 [NO_RETRIEVAL]

1506 [VERY IMPORTANT] Please only either output (1) [NO_RETRIEVAL] or (2) [SUBQ] with an concrete subquery for retrieval, or (3) [SUFFICIENT] if the question can be answered with the provided information.
 1507 [VERY IMPORTANT] Do not output any other text. DO NOT make an identical subquery [SUBQ] that has been made before ([PREV_SUBQ])!

1508 Now, your turn:
 1509 **Input:**
 1510 **Output:**

Figure 20: Few-shot prompt for planning with closed-source LLM.

1512 **For Answering** (Figure 21), we design a prompt that focuses on synthesizing precise answers
 1513 from structured knowledge graphs. The prompt emphasizes selective use of retrieved information -
 1514 instructing the model to utilize subqueries and graph information only when relevant to the question
 1515 at hand. A distinctive feature of this prompt is its requirement for definitive answers even under
 1516 uncertainty or incomplete information, ensuring the model always provides a response.

1517 The prompt includes carefully selected examples demonstrating two key scenarios: direct fact
 1518 retrieval (Nobel Prize winner) and complex reasoning across multiple knowledge pieces (athlete's
 1519 sport classification). These examples illustrate how to effectively combine information from multiple
 1520 subqueries and their associated graph information to construct accurate answers. The prompt strictly
 1521 enforces concise answer generation, requiring only the essential information without additional
 1522 explanation or commentary.

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1524 You are a answerer given a question and retrieved graph information.
 1525 Each [SUBQ] is a subquery we generated through reasoning for the question. The retrieved graph information follows each [SUBQ] is relevant
 1526 graph information we retrieved to answer the subquery.
 1527 The main question starts with "Question: ". Please answer the question, with subqueries and retrieved graph information if they are helpful (do
 1528 not use them if they are not helpful).
 1529 You must answer the question, even if there's no enough information to answer the question, or you are not sure about the answer.

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1531 **Examples:**

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1533 **Example 1:**

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1535 Question: Which person won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1961, Ivo Andri or Nicholas Pileggi?",

1536 **Output:**

1537 Ivo Andri

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1539 **Example 2:**

1540 [SUBQ] What type of athlete is Darold Williamson?

1541 Retrieved Graph Information: ['(S> Darold Williamson| P> Nationality| O> American)', '(S> Darold Williamson| P> Birth date| O> February 19',

1542 '83)', '(S> Darold Williamson| P> Occupation| O> Track athlete)']

1543 [SUBQ] What specific skills are included in track and field events?

1544 Retrieved Graph Information: ['(S> Athletics| P> Includes| O> Road running)', '(S> Track and field| P> Includes| O> Throwing)', '(S> Track and',

1545 'field| P> Includes| O> Jumping)', '(S> Athletics| P> Includes| O> Cross country running)', '(S> Track and field| P> Categorised under| O>',

1546 'Athletics)', '(S> Track and field| P> Includes| O> Running)', '(S> Track and field| P> Venue| O> Stadium with an oval running track enclosing a',

1547 'grass field)', '(S> Athletics| P> Includes| O> Track and field)', '(S> Athletics| P> Includes| O> Race walking)', '(S> Track and field| P> Based on',

1548 'skills of| O> Running)', '(S> Track and field| P> Based on skills of| O> Jumping)', '(S> Track and field| P> Based on skills of| O> Throwing)']

1549 Question: Darold Williamson is an athlete in what running and jumping sport?",

1550 **Output:**

1551 Track and field

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1553 [VERY IMPORTANT] Please only output the answer to the question.

1554 [VERY IMPORTANT] Do not output any other text.

1555 **Now, your turn:**

1556 **Input:**

1557 **{answerer_input}**

1558 **Output:**

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1551 Figure 21: Few-shot prompt for answering with closed-source LLM.

1552 In addition, for ASQA and ELI5 with closed-source models (RAS_{Sonnet-3.5} and all the other base-
 1553 lines (e.g., SuRe) using Sonnet-3.5), we conduct few-shot inference with two in-context learning
 1554 demonstrations, aligning with previous study's (Gao et al., 2023) implementation.⁵⁶

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⁵<https://github.com/princeton-nlp/ALCE/blob/main/run.py>

⁶Exemplars can be found at <https://github.com/princeton-nlp/ALCE/tree/main/prompts>

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F.2 OPEN-SOURCE MODEL SETTINGS

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For inference with open-source model, we use our GraphLLM trained by Hotpot-SUBQ (see Appendix D.2), we use 8 NVIDIA RTX 6000 Ada Generation with 48GB memory and CUDA version 12.4. We use Python 3.10, PyTorch 2.1.2, and torch-geometric 2.6.1 throughout all experiments.

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For more efficient text retrieval, we split the dense index of the corpus into eight splits, and load them on eight GPUs with faiss-gpu 1.7.2.⁷

We set maximum new tokens as **100 for PopQA, TriviaQA, and 2WikiMultihopQA**, as **50 for PubHealth and ARC-Challenge**, and as **300 for ASQA and ELI5**, aligning with previous study (Asai et al., 2023; Lyu et al., 2024b). All the generation are configured with **batch size of 1**.

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As we always set the main question as the first subquery, we pre-extract the triples from the context at the first iteration using our text-to-triple model for batch triple extraction.

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We use exact same instructions for planning and answering as we used in training phase, as shown in Figures 16 and 17.

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F.3 INSTRUCTIONS

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We use the following task-specific instructions for zero-shot inference:

Dataset	Instruction
ARC-C (baseline)	Given four answer candidates, A, B, C and D, choose the best answer choice. Please answer with the capitalized alphabet only, without adding any extra phrase or period.
ARC-C	Which is true? Output A, B, C, or D.
PubHealth (baseline)	Is the following statement correct or not? Say true if it's correct; otherwise, say false. Don't capitalize or add periods, just say "true" or "false".
PubHealth	Is statement 'true' or 'false'? Only output 'true' or 'false'.
ASQA (baseline)	Instruction: Write an ACCURATE, ENGAGING, and CONCISE answer for the given question using the retrieved graph information (some of which might be irrelevant). Use an unbiased and journalistic tone.
ASQA	Answer the following question. The question may be ambiguous and have multiple correct answers, and in that case, you have to provide a long-form answer including all correct answers. [Long Form]
ELI5 (baseline)	Instruction: Write an ACCURATE, ENGAGING, and CONCISE answer for the given question using the retrieved graph information (some of which might be irrelevant). Use an unbiased and journalistic tone.
ELI5	Provide a paragraph-length response using simple words to answer the following question. [Long Form]

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Table 5: Task-specific instructions. For short-form QA, we do not use instructions and use the original questions only.

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Static vs. Dynamic Structuring. Static corpus-level graph methods such as GraphRAG (Edge et al., 2024) and HippoRAG (Gutiérrez et al., 2024) require building and maintaining large knowledge graphs offline. This involves millions of LLM calls for entity/relation extraction and summarization, plus heavy clustering and embedding computation. At the scale of Wikipedia 2018 (roughly 5M articles, \sim 3B tokens), these pipelines incur substantial costs, days of GPU/CPU compute, and \geq 50 GB storage overhead. In contrast, our RAS constructs **question-specific knowledge graphs dynamically at inference**, eliminating expensive offline indexing. The only extra step is lightweight triple extraction from retrieved passages, which we implement with a small LLaMA-3B model accelerated by vLLM (Kwon et al., 2023), achieving throughput of nearly 5K tokens/s (Table 3).

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Cost Estimation Methodology. We estimate costs based on empirical data from Microsoft’s GraphRAG analysis⁸ and scale to Wikipedia 2018. Cost estimates assume current API pricing and may vary significantly based on implementation details, model selection, and optimization strategies.

⁷All the Wikipedia dumps (2018, 2020) we used are downloaded from <https://github.com/facebookresearch/atlas>

⁸<https://techcommunity.microsoft.com/blog/azure-ai-foundry-blog/graphrag-costs-explained-what-you-need-to-know/4207978>

1620 **Computation of Indexing Cost.** We estimate costs using the following assumptions:
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- **Corpus size:** Wikipedia 2018 \approx 3B tokens, or \approx 5M articles with \sim 600 tokens/article.
- **GraphRAG pipeline:** Based on Microsoft’s empirical analysis showing \$0.000011 per word for GPT-4o-mini.
 - For 3B tokens (\approx 2.25B words), base processing cost: \$25k–\$30k
 - Entity/relation extraction with few-shot prompting increases token usage by 3–5 \times : \$75k–\$150k
 - Community summarization for \sim 10k communities at \$0.02 per community: \$200–\$500
 - Additional overhead (clustering, embeddings, storage): \$10k–\$25k
 - **Total GraphRAG:** \$85k–\$175k for GPT-4o-mini; \$250k–\$500k for GPT-4o
- **HippoRAG pipeline:** More efficient extraction but still corpus-wide processing.
 - Entity extraction: 3B tokens at reduced complexity \approx \$15k–\$30k
 - Synonym linking and embedding overhead: \$5k–\$15k
 - Graph construction and indexing: \$5k–\$10k
 - **Total HippoRAG:** \$25k–\$55k
- **RAS pipeline:** No offline corpus-wide indexing. Triple extraction uses local LLaMA-3B model.
 - Offline indexing cost: \$0 (no corpus preprocessing required)
 - Runtime triple extraction: Local model inference (negligible marginal cost)
 - **Total RAS:** \$0 offline costs

1644 **Cost Sensitivity Analysis.** Costs vary significantly based on:

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- **Model selection:** GPT-4o costs \approx 3 \times more than GPT-4o-mini
- **Chunk size:** Smaller chunks (300 vs 1200 tokens) can reduce costs by 30–50%
- **Prompt optimization:** Well-tuned prompts can reduce token usage by 20–40%
- **Processing parameters:** Conservative estimates assume non-optimized settings

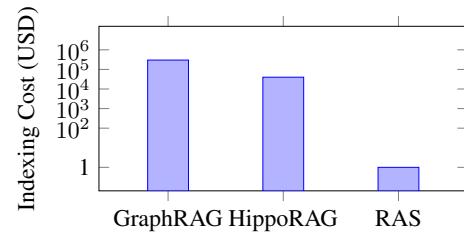
1653 **Quantitative Comparison.** Table 6 summarizes estimated costs with uncertainty ranges.

Method	Offline LLM Cost	Compute Time	Storage	Ready for RAG?
GraphRAG	\$85k–\$500k (model-dependent)	>7 days (distributed)	50–70 GB	Yes (community reports)
HippoRAG	\$25k–\$55k (optimized extraction)	>3 days (cluster)	30–50 GB	Yes (node-passage matrix)
RAS (ours)	Negligible	Inference-time only	Small (triple cache)	Yes (dynamic graph)

1659 Table 6: Estimated cost comparison for building knowledge graph indexes at Wikipedia 2018 scale.
 1660 Ranges reflect model choice, optimization level, and implementation variations.

1663 **Efficiency Visualization.** We visualize the contrast in *offline indexing cost* ranges. RAS requires
 1664 no precomputation, while GraphRAG and HippoRAG incur substantial upfront costs.

1666 **Takeaway.** RAS achieves the structured reasoning benefits of graphs *without* any offline indexing
 1667 costs, compared to GraphRAG (\$85k–\$500k) and HippoRAG (\$25k–\$55k). By eliminating up-
 1668 front investment requirements and enabling pay-per-
 1669 query scaling through local model inference, RAS
 1670 makes graph-enhanced RAG accessible for scenar-
 1671 os where large-scale preprocessing is impractical or
 1672 cost-prohibitive.



1673 Figure 22: Estimated offline indexing cost ranges
 at Wikipedia scale (log scale).

1674 H SUPPLEMENTARY RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

1676 Higher Performance with More Contexts?

1677 We further examine the performance of Sonnet-3.5 when increasing the number of retrieved documents. Table 7 compares Sonnet-3.5 under different retrieval depths with RAS-Sonnet.

1681 Method	2WikiMultihopQA (F1)	PopQA (Acc)	PubHealth (Acc)	ARC (Acc)
1682 Sonnet-3.5 (#docs=5)	53.7	57.3	53.9	87.1
1683 Sonnet-3.5 (#docs=10)	55.1	58.5	56.6	87.9
1684 Sonnet-3.5 (#docs=15)	55.4	58.0	56.9	86.9
1685 RAS (Sonnet)	57.7	62.3	71.4	93.8

1686 Table 7: Performance comparison between Sonnet-3.5 under varying context sizes and RAS-Sonnet.

1689 Increasing retrieval depth yields diminishing returns for Sonnet-3.5, while RAS-Sonnet achieves
1690 significantly higher performance with structured, targeted context. This highlights the limitations of
1691 passive context scaling and the benefits of RAS’s organized retrieval strategy.

1693 Error Analysis on Graph Construction

1694 We present two representative cases where the quality of retrieved structured knowledge significantly
1695 impacts final answer generation. These examples are distinct from the qualitative examples shown in
1696 Section I and highlight both successful and failed reasoning paths.

1698 Case 1: Accurate Reasoning with Well-Structured Graph

1699 **Question:** Who directed the film adaptation of the novel “Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy”?

1700 **Subqueries and Graphs:**

- 1702 [SUBQ] Who directed the film “Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy”?
(S> Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy | P> Film adaptation director | O> Tomas Alfredson),
(S> Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy | P> Release year | O> 2011)
- 1705 [SUBQ] Who is Tomas Alfredson?
(S> Tomas Alfredson | P> Occupation | O> Film director)

1707 **Answer:** Tomas Alfredson (Correct)

1708 **Analysis:** The subquery identifies the correct adaptation and its director. The structured triple
1709 precisely encodes this relation, allowing the model to reason accurately.

1711 Case 2: Reasoning Failure Due to Spurious or Missing Triples

1712 **Question:** What invention is Nikola Tesla best known for?

1713 **Subqueries and Graphs:**

- 1715 [SUBQ] What are Nikola Tesla’s major inventions?
(S> Nikola Tesla | P> Known for | O> Earthquake machine),
(S> Nikola Tesla | P> Proposed | O> Death ray),
(S> Nikola Tesla | P> Created | O> Tesla coil)
- 1719 [SUBQ] What is a Tesla coil used for?
(S> Tesla coil | P> Used in | O> High-frequency experiments)

1721 **Answer:** Earthquake machine or death ray (Incorrect)

1722 **Analysis:** The graph omits the key triple (Nikola Tesla | Invented | Alternating current system),
1723 instead surfacing fringe inventions. This misleads the model into emphasizing less impactful or
1724 speculative work, leading to an incorrect answer.

1726 These examples reveal that RAS makes reasoning pathways more interpretable by structuring retrieved
1727 knowledge explicitly. When failures occur, they can often be traced to identifiable issues in the
extracted triples, such as missing key relations or overemphasis on fringe facts, rather than opaque

1728 model behavior. This transparency not only facilitates error analysis but also suggests concrete
 1729 avenues for improving upstream components like triple extraction or subquery generation, making
 1730 RAS a flexible foundation for future refinement.

1732 I QUALITATIVE EXAMPLES

1734 In this section, we show some qualitative examples and running examples of RAS.

1739 Example 1 (PopQA)

1740 [SUBQ] Who was the screenwriter for The Fake?

1741 **Retrieved Graph Information:**

1742 (S> The Fake | P> Release year | O> 1953),
 1743 (S> The Fake | P> Genre | O> British crime film),
 1744 (S> The Fake | P> Director | O> Godfrey Grayson),
 1745 (S> The Fake | P> Stars | O> Dennis O'Keefe),
 1746 (S> The Fake | P> Stars | O> Coleen Gray),
 1747 (S> The Fake | P> Stars | O> Hugh Williams),
 1748 (S> The Fake | P> Plot concerns | O> American detective solving theft of priceless painting),
 1749 (S> Priceless painting | P> Stolen from | O> Tate Gallery),
 1750 (S> Tate Gallery | P> Located in | O> London)

1751 [SUBQ] Who wrote the screenplay for the 1953 British crime film The Fake?

1752 **Retrieved Graph Information:**

1753 (S> Antony Carr | P> Occupation | O> Author),
 1754 (S> Antony Carr | P> Genre | O> Crime novels),
 1755 (S> Antony Carr | P> Birth year | O> 1916),
 1756 (S> Antony Carr | P> Death year | O> 1995),
 1757 (S> Antony Carr | P> Nationality | O> English),
 1758 (S> Antony Carr | P> Father | O> Robert Carr),
 1759 (S> Robert Carr | P> Occupation | O> Singer),
 1760 (S> Antony Carr | P> Niece | O> Susannah Carr),
 1761 (S> Susannah Carr | P> Occupation | O> Newsreader),
 1762 (S> Susannah Carr | P> Nationality | O> Australian)

1763 [SUBQ] Who wrote the script or screenplay for the [1953 British crime film The Fake directed by Godfrey Grayson](#)?

1764 **Retrieved Graph Information:**

1765 (S> The Fake | P> Is a | O> British silent drama film),
 1766 (S> The Fake | P> Release year | O> 1927),
 1767 (S> The Fake | P> Directed by | O> Georg Jacoby),
 1768 (S> The Fake | P> Stars | O> Henry Edwards),
 1769 (S> The Fake | P> Stars | O> Elga Brink),
 1770 (S> The Fake | P> Stars | O> Juliette Compton),
 1771 (S> The Fake | P> Based on | O> [Play of the same title](#)),
 1772 (S> [Play of the same title](#) | P> Written by | O> [Frederick Lonsdale](#)),
 1773 (S> [Play of the same title](#) | P> Release year | O> 1924),
 1774 (S> The Fake | P> Made at | O> Twickenham Studios),
 1775 (S> Twickenham Studios | P> Located in | O> London)

1776 **Question:** Who was the screenwriter for The Fake?

1777 **Answer:** [Frederick Lonsdale](#)

1781 Figure 23: An inference example in PopQA dataset.

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1792 **Example 2 (TriviaQA)**

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1794 **[SUBQ]** Who is the most successful UK solo artist in the USA?
Retrieved Graph Information:
(S> Jay Sean | P> Achievement | O> Most successful male UK urban artist in US chart history),
(S> Jay Sean | P> Song reached number one | O> Down),
(S> Jay Sean | P> Chart topped | O> Billboard Hot 100),
(S> Taio Cruz | P> Topped chart | O> US Billboard Hot 100),
(S> Cliff Richard | P> Claimed worldwide sales | O> 260 million),
(S> Cliff Richard | P> Ranking | O> Second highest selling British male solo artist worldwide),
(S> Elton John | P> Ranking | O> Highest selling British male solo artist worldwide),
(S> Cliff Richard | P> Backing band | O> The Shadows),
(S> Robbie Williams | P> Chart topper | O> Rock DJ),
(S> Robbie Williams | P> Collaboration with | O> Kylie Minogue)

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1806 **[SUBQ]** What are the US chart records or album sales figures for Elton John in the United States?
Retrieved Graph Information:
(S> Elton John | P> Plays | O> Piano),
(S> Elton John | P> Performs | O> Vocals),
(S> Dee Murray | P> Plays | O> Bass),
(S> Nigel Olsson | P> Plays | O> Drums),
(S> Davey Johnstone | P> Plays | O> Electric guitar),
(S> Paul Buckmaster | P> Arranges | O> Orchestral arrangement),
(S> Bob Birch | P> Plays | O> Bass guitar),
(S> Charlie Morgan | P> Plays | O> Drums),
(S> Charlie Morgan | P> Plays | O> Percussion),
(S> Guy Babylon | P> Plays | O> Keyboards),
(S> Matt Springer | P> Ranked | O> Elton John's studio albums),
(S> Ultimate Classic Rock | P> Employs | O> Matt Springer),
(S> Daryl Hall & John Oates | P> Nationality | O> American),
(S> Daryl Hall & John Oates | P> Sold albums in US | O> 13 million),
(S> Daryl Hall & John Oates | P> Sold singles in US | O> 6 million)

1821 **Question:** Who is the most successful UK solo artist in the USA?

1822 **Answer:** **Elton John**

1826 Figure 24: An inference example in TriviaQA dataset.

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Example 3 (ASQA)

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[SUBQ] Who sang the song i'm coming out?**Retrieved Graph Information:**

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(S> Diana Ross | P> Sang | O> I'm Coming Out),
 (S> Bernard Edwards | P> Wrote | O> I'm Coming Out),
 (S> Nile Rodgers | P> Wrote | O> I'm Coming Out),
 (S> Bernard Edwards | P> Produced | O> I'm Coming Out),
 (S> Nile Rodgers | P> Produced | O> I'm Coming Out),
 (S> I'm Coming Out | P> Released on | O> August 22, 1980),
 (S> I'm Coming Out | P> Second single from album | O> Diana),
 (S> Diana Ross | P> Commissioned | O> Chic),
 (S> Stevie J | P> Sampled | O> I'm Coming Out),
 (S> The Notorious B.I.G. | P> Used sample in song | O> Mo Money Mo Problems),
 (S> Marcia Hines | P> Covered | O> I'm Coming Out)
 (S> Keyshia Cole | P> Remade | O> I'm Coming Out),
 (S> Iggy Azalea | P> Featured on remake of | O> I'm Coming Out),
 (S> Ariana Grande | P> Sampled in song | O> Break Your Heart Right Back),
 (S> Hella von Sinnen | P> Sampled | O> I'm Coming Out),
 (S> Amerie | P> Covered | O> I'm Coming Out)

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[Long Form] Question: Who sang the song I'm coming out?

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Ground Truth: "I'm Coming Out" is a song recorded by American singer Diana Ross. It was written and produced by Chic members Bernard Edwards and Nile Rodgers, and released on August 22, 1980, as the second single from Ross' self-titled tenth album Diana (1980). In 2003, American singer Amerie covered "I'm Coming Out" for the soundtrack to the film "Maid in Manhattan". Her version was released as a single in select European countries and Australia.

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Generation: "I'm Coming Out" is a song by American singer Diana Ross. It was written by Bernard Edwards and Nile Rodgers and produced by Edwards and Rodgers. The song was released on August 22, 1980 as the second single from Ross's album Diana. The song was sampled by Stevie J in his 2005 song "U Don't Know" and by The Notorious B.I.G. in his 1997 song "Mo Money Mo Problems". Marcia Hines covered the song for her 1981 album Marcia. Keyshia Cole remade the song for her 2007 album Just Like You. In 2014, Iggy Azalea featured on a remake of the song. Ariana Grande sampled the song in her 2015 song "Break Your Heart Right Back".

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Example 4 (ELI5)

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[SUBQ] What is a stock 'put' and how does it work?

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Retrieved Graph Information:

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(S> Put option | P> Is | O> Financial contract),
 (S> Put option | P> Gives buyer | O> Right to sell underlying asset),
 (S> Put option | P> Has | O> Predetermined price),
 (S> Put option | P> Has | O> Expiration date),
 (S> Put option | P> Can be associated with | O> Stocks),
 (S> Put option | P> Can be associated with | O> Commodities),
 (S> Put option buyer | P> Not obligated to | O> Sell at contract price),
 (S> Put option | P> Used for | O> Hedging),
 (S> Put option buyer | P> Bets on | O> Stock price decline)
 (S> Put option | P> Has | O> Defined risk)

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[Long Form] Question: What is a stock 'put' and how does it work?

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Ground Truth: A stock put is a type of stock option, that grants you the option to sell at a specified date for a set price. It's effectively a means of protecting stock you own, or for betting against a stock. Let's say you buy an 1 contract for August 140 puts on Apple. That means that the date August options expire, you would be able to sell 100 shares at \$140 if you so choose. So if Apple drops to \$125 by that time, you'd protect \$15/share of gains. This might only cost you \$1-2 per share to buy the contract. Or if you simply think the stock will fall, the put will increase in value as the strike price approaches "in the money." So that \$1-2/sh. you spend to buy the put option might be worth \$10/share if the stock starts dropping and there's greater likelihood that it'll be below the \$140 price. Because there is a set expiration date, the values have a relationship to both the underlying stock and the time until the expiration. So a month out, the put option that's \$10 in the money (\$140 put, stock trading at \$130) might cost \$20 while the day of the expiration it'd be just about the difference between option value and stock itself.

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Generation: A put option is a financial contract that gives the buyer the right to sell the underlying asset at a predetermined price and expiration date. The put option buyer is not obligated to sell the asset at the contract price, but they can bet on the stock price decline.

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Figure 25: Examples of long-form generation on ASQA and ELI5.

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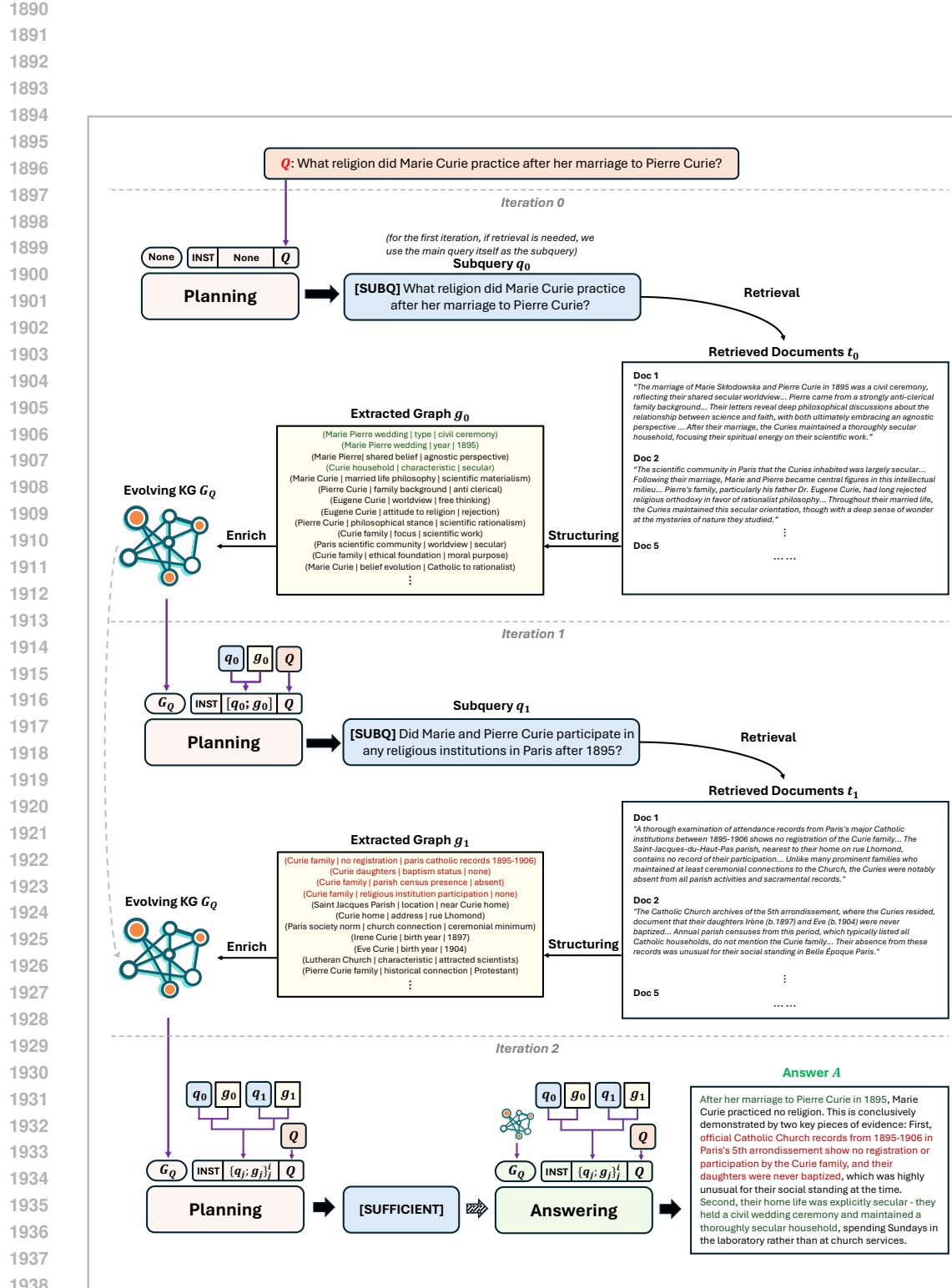


Figure 26: A Running Example of RAS.

1944 **J HYPERPARAMETER STUDY**
19451946 Table 8: Hyper-parameter study. We **highlight** the setting used in experiments.
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1949 Hyper-parameter	1950 Studied Values
Text-to-Triples Model	
1951 Batch size	{2, 4, 8 , 16, 32}
1952 Learning rate	{1e-5, 2e-5, 5e-5 , 1e-4, 2e-4}
GraphLLM (Action Planner & Answerer)	
<i>GNN Setting (for Graph Token)</i>	
1955 GNN architecture	{GCN, GAT, Graph Transformer }
1956 Hidden dimension	{512, 768, 1024 , 2048}
1957 Number of layers	{2, 3 , 4, 5}
1958 Number of heads	{4, 6, 8 , 12}
1959 Dropout rate	{0.05, 0.1 , 0.2, 0.3}
1960 Projector intermediate dimension	{1024, 2048 , 4096}
1961 Projector output dimension	4096
<i>LoRA Setting</i>	
1963 LoRA rank (r)	{4, 8 , 16, 32}
1964 LoRA alpha	{8, 16 , 32}
1965 LoRA dropout	{0.01, 0.05 , 0.1, 0.15}
<i>General Setting</i>	
1966 Learning rate	{1e-6, 2e-6, 5e-5 , 1e-4}
1967 Batch size (training)	{ 2 , 4, 8, 16, 32}
1968 Batch size (inference)	1
1969 Weight decay	{0.001, 0.01 , 0.05, 0.1}
1970 Gradient accumulation steps	{ 2 , 4, 8, 16}
1971 Gradient clipping	{0.1, 0.3, 0.5 , 1.0}
1972 Warmup ratio	{0.05, 0.1, 0.15 , 0.2}
1973 Max text length	2500
1974 Max new tokens	Task-specific (see Appendix F.2)
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1976 Dense retrieval top- <i>k</i>	5

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Broader Impacts. The RAS framework presents several promising impacts for both research and practical applications. By transforming unstructured retrieved content into structured, question-specific knowledge graphs, RAS improves reasoning transparency and factual reliability—qualities that are especially valuable in education, scientific research, and technical writing. The ability to explicitly organize retrieved knowledge into interpretable structures also opens up new possibilities for human-in-the-loop AI systems, enabling users to trace and verify model reasoning paths.

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However, several ethical considerations remain. RAS’s reliance on structured knowledge representations means its effectiveness may be limited in low-resource languages or domains with sparse data. Additionally, biases present in training data can be preserved or even amplified in structured forms. Addressing these concerns will require rigorous evaluation across diverse user groups and careful curation of source corpora. Promoting fairness, transparency, and inclusivity should be core design goals for future RAS-based systems.

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Safeguards. To mitigate potential harms, we propose several safeguards during the development and deployment of RAS-based systems. First, developers should routinely audit training and retrieval corpora for biases and factual inconsistencies, and apply data augmentation or counterfactual generation techniques where appropriate. Second, regular evaluations should be conducted across a diverse range of tasks, languages, and user demographics to assess any unintended performance disparities. Third, when applied in sensitive domains, human-in-the-loop oversight should be incorporated to validate the structured knowledge outputs and final generations. Lastly, transparency measures, such as providing users with access to intermediate structured knowledge (e.g., the constructed knowledge graph), can help foster trust and enable error analysis.

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Assets Used. To support the development and evaluation of the RAS framework, we utilized a wide range of publicly available datasets, open-source tools, and pretrained models. All datasets were selected based on relevance to knowledge-intensive tasks, including question answering and long-form generation, and were licensed for academic research or distributed under permissive open-source terms such as MIT, Apache 2.0, and CC BY. Our training and evaluation relied on benchmark datasets such as HotpotQA, ASQA, TriviaQA, and ARC, while structured knowledge was derived using models trained on WikiOfGraph. We used open-source infrastructure including FAISS for retrieval, vLLM for inference optimization, and Graph LLM as our model backbone. For baseline comparisons, we incorporated implementations from Self-RAG, RPG, and ALCE. Closed-source models like Claude-3.5-Sonnet were used for performance comparison and triple extraction under API constraints. Full licensing and usage details are provided in Table 9.

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2052	Asset	Source / URL	License	Usage
2053	HotpotQA	https://hotpotqa.github.io/	MIT	Base QA dataset
2054	HotpotQA-SUBQ ASQA	We constructed from HotpotQA https://github.com/google-research/language/tree/master/language/asqa	MIT (inherited) Apache 2.0	Subquery training dataset Training and evaluation
2055	Arc-Easy	https://allenai.org/data/arc	AI2 Research License	Training (subset)
2056	TriviaQA	https://nlp.cs.washington.edu/triviaqa/	CC BY-SA 4.0	Evaluation
2057	PopQA	https://huggingface.co/datasets/akariasai/PopQA	CC BY 4.0	Evaluation
2058	2WikiMultihopQA	https://github.com/Alab-NII/2wikimultihop	Apache 2.0	Evaluation
2059	PubHealth	https://huggingface.co/datasets/bigbio/pubhealth	MIT	Evaluation
2060	ARC-Challenge	https://allenai.org/data/arc	AI2 Research License	Evaluation
2061	ELI5	https://huggingface.co/datasets/eli5	Apache 2.0	Evaluation
2062	Wikipedia 2018/2020	https://github.com/facebookresearch/atlas	Creative Commons Public Licenses	Knowledge source for retrieval
2063	WikiOfGraph	https://github.com/daehuikim/WikiOfGraph	CC BY 4.0	Triple model training
2064	Claude-3.5-Sonnet	https://www.anthropic.com	Proprietary	Default closed source model
2065	LLaMA-2/3	https://ai.meta.com/llama	Meta LLaMA Community License	Default open source model
2066	LLaMA-3.2-3B	Derived from Meta LLaMA	Meta LLaMA Community License	Triple extraction
2067	Flan-T5-Large	https://huggingface.co/google/flan-t5-large	Apache 2.0	Triple extractor
2068	Graph LLM	Modified from https://github.com/XiaoxinHe/G-Retriever	Research use	Model backbone
2069	Faiss	https://github.com/facebookresearch/faiss	MIT	Dense retrieval
2070	vLLM	https://github.com/vllm-project/vllm	Apache 2.0	Optimized inference
2071	Sentence-BERT	https://www.sbert.net	Apache 2.0	Graph node/edge embedding
2072	Self-RAG Code	https://github.com/AkariAsai/self-rag	MIT	Baseline eval
2073	RPG Code	https://github.com/haruhi-sudo/RPG	Research use	Baseline eval
2074	Search-R1 Code	https://github.com/PeterGriffinJin/Search-R1	Research use	Baseline eval
2075	s3 Code	https://github.com/pat-jj/s3	Research use	Baseline eval
2076	ALCE Code	https://github.com/princeton-nlp/ALCE	MIT	Eval metrics

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