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# REPOST: Scalable Repository-Level Coding Environment Construction with Sandbox Testing

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#### **Abstract**

We introduce REPOST, a scalable method to build repository-level code generation environments that provide execution feedback for model training. Unlike existing works that require building the entire repository for execution, which is challenging for both human and LLMs and limits the scalability of the datasets, we leverage sandbox testing, which isolates the target function and its dependencies to a separate script for testing. In inference, models can still access the natural repository for code generation, and the script will be used to provide execution feedback. We use our method to construct REPOST-TRAIN. a large-scale train set with 7,415 functions from 824 repositories. Training with the execution feedback provided by REPOST-TRAIN leads to a performance gain of 5.5% Pass@1 on HumanEval and 3.5% Pass@1 on RepoEval.<sup>1</sup>

# 1. Introduction

Code generation is a special NLP task that can benefit from execution-based feedback (Simon, 1963; Feng et al., 2020; Chen et al., 2021). Prior work has demonstrated the effectiveness of execution-based signals for constructing training datasets (Ni et al., 2024; Zhang et al., 2024; Liu et al., 2023), particularly for script-level code generation (e.g., LeetCode problems). However, it is non-trivial to build **execution-based** datasets for **repo-level** code generation at a **large scale**, which aims to generate code for real repositories.

One major challenge is to set up executable environments. Existing repo-level datasets typically perform *integration testing* that executes test files within the repositories, which requires building the entire repository. The process is challenging for both human and LLMs, either requiring huge manual effort (Zhang et al., 2023; Jimenez et al., 2024; Pan et al., 2024) or suffering from a low success rate of converting natural repositories to coding environments when automated (Jain et al., 2024).

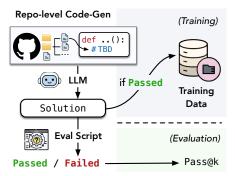


Figure 1: To build a training set, we first apply the code generation model to generate candidate solutions with the original repository as context. Then we evaluate the solutions by executing the evaluation script built by REPOST. All successful solutions are added as training targets.

In this work, we present REPOST, an automated framework to construct Repo-level coding environments with Sandbox Testing, as an alternative to traditional integration testing. Given a target function within a GitHub repository, REPOST isolates the function along with its local dependencies into a separate script and generates equivalence tests to verify whether a model-generated solution exhibits the same behavior. Unlike approaches that require building the entire repository, our method only installs the external dependencies for the target function, which significantly simplifies environment setup and enhances dataset scalability. To ensure dataset quality, we conduct execution-based, AST-based, and LLM-based quality checks to harness the evaluation script's executability, functionality equivalence, test coverage, and correctness. As illustrated in Figure 1, our dataset enables models to access the natural GitHub repositories to generate candidate training outputs. We then use the evaluation script to obtain execution feedback.

We construct REPOST-TRAIN, a coding environment dataset for model training. As shown in Table 1, REPOST-TRAIN is, to our knowledge, the largest repo-level code generation dataset with execution support, containing 7,415 functions sampled from 824 repositories. Experiments demonstrate that training on REPOST-TRAIN improves performance on both algorithm problems in HumanEval (Chen et al., 2021) and repo-level tasks in RepoEval (Zhang et al.,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Code and datasets available at https://anonymous. 4open.science/r/RepoST-4018.

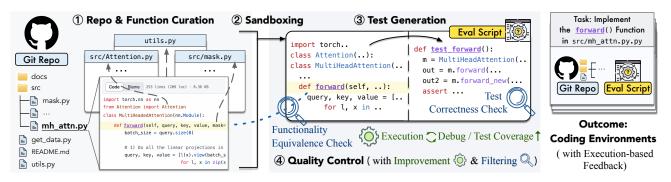


Figure 2: The REPOST coding environment construction framework. We sandbox the target function and its dependencies to a separate evaluation script, and generate tests to compare its behavior with model-generated code. The process avoids building the entire repository. We design careful quality control strategies with iterative quality improvement and post-filtering. The outcome of REPOST is a set of executable repo-level coding environments, which can be used for training.

2023). For instance, we improve Qwen2.5-Coder by 5.5% Pass@1 on HumanEval and 3.5% Pass@1 on RepoEval.

Since REPOST-TRAIN provides coding tasks with the real-world repositories as model inputs and it is possible to wrap the evaluation script in a callable API, we would like to highlight that REPOST can also be applied to coding agent (Yang et al., 2024; Wang et al., 2025) training in future works.

# 2. The REPOST Framework

Existing methods typically construct coding environments with **integration testing**, which creates test files that import the target function from the codebase and require the challenging process of building the entire repository. Instead, we present a framework based on **sandbox testing**. As shown in Figure 2, the key idea is to isolate the original target function and its local dependencies to a separate script, and then generate a set of equivalence tests that compare the functionality of the generated and original function.

Note that we keep a shared Docker for all the evaluation scripts. We provide all the details and statistics in §C.

# 2.1. Preprocessing and Evaluation Script Generation

Repository and Function Curation. We first randomly sample non-forked, MIT-licensed, Python GitHub Repositories with file sizes smaller than 10M. Then we extract functions from the repositories. To reduce the need for computational or external resources, we follow R2E (Jain et al., 2024) and filter out functions associated with GPUs, cloud tasks, etc. by keywords.

**Sandboxing: Key to Environment Setup.** To isolate the target function and its necessary dependencies, we leverage the call graph to extract such local dependencies that the target function directly or indirectly calls. In principle, such context should be sufficient for the executability of the target

function. Then we combine all the code fragments into the context and prompt an LLM (e.g., GPT-40) to aggregate all the code fragments into a single script, with as little editing as possible.

To handle the challenging case where the function accesses external APIs and files, we explicitly prompt the LLM to create mock connections or mock strings if necessary. We provide an example case in Figure 4 and more examples in Figures 5 to 10. In §2.2, We will introduce the strategies to ensure that the target function's functionality does not alter.

Test Generation: Equivalence Testing. To evaluate the correctness of the generated code, we prompt the LLM to (1) generate a set of test inputs to the target function and (2) conduct equivalence testing that checks whether the generated function has the same behavior as the sandboxed original function. Compared to traditional methods that specify the I/O examples in the test cases (Chen et al., 2021), equivalence testing does not need to predict the expected outputs and is more feasible for LLMs (Jain et al., 2024). Similarly to the sandboxing step, as shown in Figures 8 to 10, we also observe that the LLM is able to generate tests with the mock classes created in the sandboxing step as context. We will check the coverage and correctness of the tests in §2.2.

#### 2.2. Quality Control and Filtering

Executability Control with Iterative Debugging. In principle, if the model-generated function is exactly the same as the ground truth, the evaluation scripts should be successfully executed, with all the tests passed. Hence, we copy the ground truth function and execute the examples sequentially. If there are any execution errors or assertion errors, we provide the error message as the context and prompt an LLM to debug the evaluation script. Examples that still have errors after k execution-debugging iterations are filtered out.

During the process, we dynamically install external packages by reading the package names in ModuleNotFound and prompting the LLM to output package installation commands during debugging, if necessary.

Test Coverage Control with Iterative Improvement. After the executability control step, if the branch coverage rate is lower than some threshold (we set 80% in our experiments), we provide the LLM with the missing lines and prompt it to add tests for larger coverage.

Functionality Equivalence Check. To ensure the validity of sandbox testing, we examine the functionality equivalence between the sandboxed and original function. We first compare the AST of the function bodies, which is a sufficient condition of functionality equivalence. In our resulting dataset, 81.7% of the examples have the same AST. The remaining ones are filtered out from the evaluation set. To include more examples in the train set, since it is also possible that code with the same functionality has different ASTs (e.g., HTML tags can be parsed with Lexborhtmlparser and BeautifulSoup), we prompt an LLM to compare the functionality equivalence, which is shown to have high agreement with human (see our human study in §3 for details).

**Test Correctness Check**. In principle, a test that calls the target function without any assertion checks still has a 100% coverage rate. We hence conduct **test correctness** check and apply an LLM to check whether the tests are correct, reasonable, and are completing the verification of the functionality, as listed in Table 14. Human study in §3 demonstrates the high precision of the LLM checker.

# 3. Resulting Dataset: REPOST-TRAIN

**Statistics.** We build our dataset, REPOST-TRAIN, based on repositories created between 2023-01-31 and 2024-08-31. As shown in Table 1, to our knowledge, REPOST-TRAIN is currently the largest repo-level dataset with execution feedback. Table 3 shows detailed statistics of our datasets. We achieve on average 5.7 tests with a branch coverage rate of 97.8%. Furthermore REPOST can create relatively complex examples with on average 75.7 lines in the evaluation script, covering 894 external libraries.

Human Studies. We conduct a human study to compute the agreement between human and LLM-based functionality equivalence and test correctness checks (as introduced in §2.2). Results in Table 4 show that all 13/20 examples that pass GPT-4o's functionality check are also predicted as "same functionality" by human. Among 10 examples that pass GPT-4o's test quality check, 9 of them are predicted as "high-quality tests" by human. It demonstrates that after applying our filtering strategies for quality control, the remaining examples have high quality.

Dataset	#Examples	#Repo	Repo?	Auto Test?
HumanEval	164	_	Х	Х
DS1000	1,000	_	Х	×
ClassEval	100	_	X	X
RepoEval-Func	455	6	✓	×
SWE-Bench	2,294	12	✓	X
CoderEval	230	43	✓	X
DevEval	1,874	117	/	X
EvoCodeBench	275	25	/	X
SWE-Gym	2,438	11	✓	×
R2E-Eval1	246	137	/	1
R2E (Our Input)	744	123	✓	✓
REPOST-TRAIN	7,415	824	✓	✓

Table 1: Statistics of REPOST-TRAIN compared to existing **execution-based** code generation datasets. R2E (Our Input) applies the R2E method to the same set of input repositories as REPOST-TRAIN, but results in a smaller number of repositories and examples. "Repo?" and "Auto Test?" refer to the repo-level setting and automatically generated tests.

As shown in Table 5, we conduct another human study to check whether the examples are reasonable and can be solved by human by sampling 27 examples generated by REPOST. Results show that 81.5% of the examples were solved by human, indicating that most examples are reasonable and not too complicated. More experimental details can be found in §D.

#### 4. Code Generation Training Experiments

**Training with REPOST-TRAIN**. In standard supervised fine-tuning (**SFT**), we can train the model with the code context c as the input and the ground truth target function  $f^*$  as the output. The execution feedback provided by our REPOST evaluation scripts further allows us to employ the **rejection sampling fine-tuning (RFT)** algorithm to generate additional valid training targets. Specifically, we apply the model itself to our dataset, generating n candidate solutions for each function based on its code context:  $(c, f_1), \ldots (c, f_n)$ . The method is denoted as **RFT (Self)**. We can also apply other stronger models to generate candidates (denoted as **RFT (Distill)**). Only solutions that pass our test cases are retained. We then finetune the model on the successful functions  $(c, f'_1), \ldots (c, f'_m)$  and the ground truth  $(c, f^*)$  using the standard negative log-likelihood loss.

**Experimental Setup.** We train two models: StarCoder2-7B (Lozhkov et al., 2024) and Qwen2.5-Coder-7B (Hui et al., 2024) with REPOST-TRAIN and evaluate on HumanEval (Chen et al., 2021), an algorithm problem dataset, and RepoEval-function (Zhang et al., 2023), a repo-level code generation dataset. For RepoEval, we use the "Oracle" context to mitigate the bias of context retrieval methods. We report the Pass@1 scores on all datasets. More training and

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Model	HumanEval		RepoEval-Func	
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StarCoder2-7B	34.76	_	32.98	_
+ SFT	37.20	↑2.44	33.78	↑0.80
+ RFT (Self)	39.63	<b>↑4.87</b>	34.58	↑1.61
+ RFT (Distill)	40.24	<b>↑5.49</b>	35.12	<b>↑2.14</b>
Qwen2.5-Coder-7B	79.27	_	38.06	_
+ SFT	80.48	↑1.21	39.94	↑1.88
+ RFT (Self)	84.76	<b>↑5.49</b>	40.75	↑2.69
+ RFT (Distill)	84.76	<b>↑5.49</b>	41.55	<b>↑3.49</b>

Table 2: Code generation training results. We evaluate Pass@1 for all experiments. For RepoEval, we use the "Oracle" repo-level context as used in their original paper.

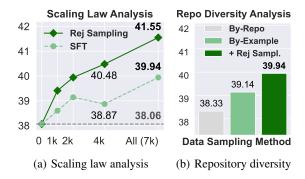


Figure 3: (a) Pass@1 scores on RepoEval with different numbers of training examples. (b) Pass@1 scores on RepoEval with different methods to sample 2,000 training examples. Sample-by-Example has a broader repository coverage and achieves better Pass@1. The performance is further enhanced with Rejection Sampling (Distill).

evaluation details are provided in §E.

Main Results. Table 2 demonstrates that models trained with REPOST-TRAIN can generalize well to other public benchmarks. Specifically, we improve Qwen2.5-Coder by 5.5% Pass@1 on HumanEval and 3.5% on RepoEval-Func. Furthermore, in all experiments, training with RFT, even with self-training only, achieves better performance than finetuning on the original GitHub function only. For instance, RFT (Distill) outperforms SFT by 4.3% Pass@1 on HumanEval. This shows the benefit of training with environments that can provide execution feedback. We can also observe that RFT with self-training in general has lower performance than distilling from stronger models, which is probably due to fewer successful outputs (Table 6).

Scaling Law Analysis. In Figure 3(a), we investigate how the scale of training data affects model performance. Specifically, we randomly sample different numbers of examples from REPOST-TRAIN to train the model. We can see that the performance of RFT (Distill) increases as we scale up the training data, which suggests the advantage of train-

ing data with high scalability. Furthermore, with different scales of data, RFT consistently achieves better performance than SFT, which further demonstrates the effectiveness of training environments with execution feedback.

Repository Diversity Experiment. Figure 3(b) examines whether broader repository coverage leads to better performance, given a fixed budget of training examples. We fix the number of examples to 2,000 and experiment with two example sampling methods: (1) Sample-by-Repo, where we keep sampling repositories and adding all the functions in the repository to the training set, until the data size reaches 2,000; (2) Sample-by-Example, which is the same setting as Figure 3(a), where we randomly sample functions from REPOST-TRAIN. We observe that Sample-by-Example, covering 678 repositories, outperforms Sample-by-Repo, which only covers 221, suggesting that training data with broader repository coverage benefits model training.

# 5. Related Work

Existing works have shown the effectiveness of pretraining (Rozière et al., 2024; Lozhkov et al., 2024; Guo et al., 2024) or instruction tuning (Wei et al., 2023; Luo et al., 2023; DeepSeek-AI, 2025) on real-world code. To further finetune models for code generation, existing works have built large-scale training datasets with test cases by leveraging large-scale online algorithm problems. The execution feedback from test cases is used in constructing training targets (Ni et al., 2024; Zhang et al., 2024) or reward signals (Liu et al., 2023; Jiang et al., 2024). As repo-level code generation, existing works such as SWE-Gym (Pan et al., 2024) build training environments by manually setting up dependencies and configurations for the entire GitHub repositories. The repository setup process is complicated and challenging to automate, resulting in limited dataset scales. In comparison, we design a sandbox testing method that only requires setting up the necessary dependencies for individual GitHub functions, which reduces the difficulty of environment setup and leads to better scalability.

# 6. Conclusion and Future Works

We present REPOST, a scalable method to construct environments for code generation in real-world repositories that support sandbox testing. REPOST is fully automatic and enables the construction of scalable execution-based training environments. Experiments demonstrate that training with the resulting dataset, REPOST-TRAIN, leads to performance gain on other public benchmarks. For instance, we improve Qwen2.5Coder by 5.49%/3.49% Pass@1 on HumanEval/RepoEval. In future works, REPOST can also be applied to more repo-level tasks, further analysis, and coding agent training (see §A for details).

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## A. Future Works

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383 384 Future works may include: (1) further scaling up the datasets with more input repositories, (2) exploring the utility of different types of context in training and evaluation, (3) adapting REPOST to other repo-level coding tasks such as issue-solving (Pan et al., 2024), code translation (Xie et al., 2023), code refactoring (Gautam et al., 2025), environment setup (Bogin et al., 2024), etc., and (4) using REPOST-TRAIN to train and evaluate coding agents (Yang et al., 2024; Wang et al., 2025). This is possible because our datasets provide both access to the original GitHub repositories and execution feedback. Specifically, one can set the instruction as "generate the target function", and the coding agent will need to explore and interact with the entire repository by itself to obtain relevant information. We can then use the evaluation scripts to select successful trajectories and use them for model training.

# **B. Reproducibility Statement**

We provide the following ways to reproduce our results: (1) We release the code for the entire REPOST pipeline, including repository and function curation, sandboxing, test generation, execution, and final-stage quality verification. (2) We release the code for training data construction, including both the SFT and RFT settings. (3) We release the REPOST-TRAIN dataset, including the repository commit ids and the evaluation scripts generated by REPOST. We also release the RFT (Distill) data constructed based on REPOST-TRAIN. (4) We release the docker image of REPOST-TRAIN, which already installs all the external packages required for executing all the evaluation scripts.

All the above resources can be found at https://github.com/RepoST-Code-Gen-Paper/RepoST.

# C. Methodology Details

#### C.1. Repository and Function Curation Details

To balance the distribution of examples, we keep at most 30 functions for each repository. After this step, for the train set, we started from 1,000 repositories and obtained 17,448 functions from 851 repositories. Note that with our sandbox testing method, we do not need to build the entire repository and do not need to filter out repositories without setup files (e.g., setup.py). In theory, we can further scale up the dataset with more starting repositories.

#### C.2. Sandboxing and Test Generation Details

Sandbox Testing for External APIs and Tests. Even if all the dependencies are presented, it is still nontrivial to

execute the sandboxed script if it requires external API, databases, files, etc. We explicitly prompt the LLM to create mock connections for any external API and create strings or write example files to a specific directory for file reading. Figure 4 presents a successful case of sandboxing with mock APIs. We provide examples of the generated sandboxed scripts in Figures 5 to 10.

We observe that the LLM is also able to generate tests with the mock classes created in the sandboxing step as context. As shown in Figures 8 to 10, we create mock class instances as the test inputs and still ensure that the function body of the sandboxed function remains the same as the original function

**Prompts.** Table 9 shows the prompt we use to sandbox the target function and its local dependencies to a separate evaluation script. Table 10 shows the prompt template we use to generate tests in the evaluation scripts.

# C.3. Quality Control Details

Prompts. Table 11 shows the prompt we use to debug the evaluation scripts if there are any errors when we copy the ground truth solution as the new implementation and execute the scripts. Table 12 shows the prompt we use to improve the coverage of the test function if there are any missing branches. Table 13 shows the prompt we use in the quality check stage, where we check whether the sandboxed and original functions have exactly the same functionality. Table 14 shows the prompt we use in the quality check stage, where we check whether the generated test function is correct, reasonable, and are completing the verification of the functionalities of the ground truth function and the new implementation.

# **D. Human Study Details**

#### D.1. Quality Check Agreement Check

We ask 3 computer science graduate students to conduct functionality equivalence and test correctness checks for 20 examples built by our method (before the final filtering), with the same instruction we use to prompt the LLM checkers. The Kappa agreement scores among human annotators are 0.9179 for the functionality check and 0.7750 for the test check.

For functionality equivalence check, we randomly sample 20 examples built by our method. The instruction we present to the participants is exactly the same as the prompt for the LLM functionality checker, as shown in Table 13. Specifically, we show them the original and sandboxed functions and ask them whether their functionalities are the same. We allow minor differences including additional sanity checks or different print information.

As for the test correctness check, we randomly select 10 examples where the LLM predicts as "Yes" and 10 examples where the LLM predicts as "No". The instruction is the same as the prompt for the LLM test correctness check, as shown in Table 14. We additionally prevent checking the values of printed or logged information because it is typically difficult to match the exact same information in code generation.

#### D.2. Solvability Check

 We assigned 27 examples constructed by REPOST to 9 computer science students, with no overlaps, and asked them to complete the function and answer questions about the difficulties of the examples.

Similar to the setting we use to benchmark coding models in §4, we show the participants the direct or indirect dependencies of the target function and ask them to complete it. After submitting an answer, the participants will see the execution results of our evaluation scripts and can choose to revise their answers accordingly or to give up. Finally, we asked them whether they used external tools (e.g., search engines) in completing the function and asked them to rate the difficulty of each example. Note that we do not directly show the evaluation script to the participants and explicitly ask them not to use any AI models.

Results show that 81.5% of the examples were solved by human, indicating that most examples are reasonable and not too complicated. The remaining examples were not solved for various reasons, such as the participant is not familiar with the task (e.g., reading html data) or related libraries (e.g., BeautifulSoup4), the intent of the function cannot be fully entailed from the context, etc. We also observe that the generated examples have varying complexity levels based on the usage of external tools and the difficulty ratings.

# **E.** Code Generation Training Details

#### E.1. Evaluation Details

The performance of repo-level code generation also depends on the quality of the retrieved context. To mitigate the bias of retrieval models, we evaluate the models with the "Oracle" context for the two repo-level datasets. For RepoEval-Func, we follow the setting in their original paper that retrieves in-repo code fragments with the target function as the query.

# **E.2. Training Details**

We compare three training methods: SFT, RFT (Self), and RFT (Distill). For the "Distill" method, we apply GPT-40 and Claude-3.5-Sonnet to generate and debug candidate solutions, separately, and combine their successful candidates for training. We provide the number of examples where we

Figure 4: An example where the LLM successfully creates a mock class, Mock\_API, to replace real external API calls. This enables us to execute the target function API\_call, which remains exactly the same as in the original codebase, without making real API calls.

	REPOST-TRAIN
Target Avg # Tokens (Lines)	112.4 (12.8)
Eval Script Avg # Tokens (Lines)	842.5 (75.7)
Avg # Test Cases	5.7
Avg Test Branch Coverage	97.8%
% Standalone Functions	28.1%
# External Libraries	894

Table 3: Detailed statistics of our datasets. The percentage of standalone functions (i.e., functions without local dependencies) are 28.1% and 26.4% in our datasets. Both are very close to 27%, the percentage of standalone functions among all GitHub code estimated by Li et al. (2024)

obtained at least one successful solution in Table 6.

To obtain more training pairs for both the "Self" and "Distill" settings, we further prompt the model itself or a stronger model to debug the failed solutions, with the error message in the context. We also train the model on successfully debugged solutions  $(c, f_1''), \ldots (c, f_k'')$ .

We train the models with a learning rate of 2e-6, a batch size of 32, and a warm-up ratio of 0.1 for 1 epoch. For QwenCoder, we add a linebreak after the prompt to prevent the first token of the target output from being linebreak.

Quality Check	Functionality		Test	
Human Label $(\rightarrow)$	Yes	No	Yes	No
GPT-4o - Yes	13/20	0	9/20	1/20
GPT-4o - No	1/20	6/20	4/20	6/20

Table 4: Agreement between human and GPT-40 on checking (1) the functionality equivalence between the sandboxed and original function, and (2) the correctness of the tests. When GPT-40 predicts "Yes" for both quality checks, it has a high agreement with human.

% Solved	% Require Tool	% Easy / Medium / Hard
81.5%	59.3%	29.6% / 51.9% / 18.5%

Table 5: Human study results for solvability verification. We ask the participants to complete the function with the same type of context we use to evaluate code generation models in §4.

Docstring (DocS)	Initial Generation	w/ Debugging
StarCoder2-7B	1327 / 7415	1573 / 7415
Qwen2.5-Coder-7B	1428 / 7415	1708 / 7415
GPT-4o	2438 / 7415	2861 / 7415
Claude-3.5	2503 / 7415	3092 / 7415
GPT-40 & Claude-3.5	<b>3110</b> / 7415	<b>3606</b> / 7415

Table 6: The number of examples where we obtained at least one successful solution in RFT (Self) and RFT (Distill). We report the number (1) after the initial round of generation, and (2) after debugging.

#### Sanity Checks for Sandboxing

- 1. The target function should exist in the evaluation script.
- 2. The number of tokens in the sandboxed function should NOT be more than 20 fewer than that in the original function.
- 3. The number of tokens in the entire evaluation script should NOT be more than 50 fewer than the number of tokens in the combination of all local dependencies.

Table 7: The sanity checks we conduct for the sandboxing step.

#### Sanity Checks for Test Generation

- 1. The target function should exist in the evaluation script.
- 2. The number of tokens in the sandboxed function should NOT be more than 20 fewer than that in the original function.
- 3. The number of tokens in the entire evaluation script should NOT be fewer than the number of tokens in the evaluation script obtained from the sandboxing step.
- 4. A test function named test\_{func\_name}() should exist.
- 5. The test function should call the target function.
- 6. The test function should call the new implementation (new\_implementation\_{func\_name}()).
- 7. There should be at least 3 assertions in the test function.
- 8. There should be a main function.
- 9. The main function should call the test function.
- 10. If the main function calls the test function, the function call should not be in a try-except block.

Table 8: The sanity checks we conduct for the test generation step.

Sandboxing Prompt Instructions: - You're given a piece of PYTHON CODE containing a function called {func\_name}. We also provide you the CONTEXT of the PYTHON CODE. Your goal is to aggregate the PYTHON CODE and the CONTEXT into one script, so that we can directly call the {func\_name} function WITHOUT ANY MODIFICATIONS. - You should edit the original PYTHON CODE as little as possible and you can add code only if necessary. - DO NOT call any external API, database, etc. Instead, create a mock interface. - Make sure that your code can be directly executed without any modification. For example, statements like 'token = "your\_auth\_token\_here" # You need to replace this with a real token' is NOT allowed. - If you need to write files to the disk, use '{docker\_CACHE\_DIR}' as the directory. - Provide your reasoning and the revised PYTHON CODE below SOLUTION. **PYTHON CODE:** "python {code} CONTEXT: {context} Your answer should follow the format below: Reasoning: ... "'python # Your Code. Do NOT include other formatting. Output every token of the content with no omission or abbreviation. For example, abbreviation like '... # the code keeps unchanged is NOT allowed. SOLUTION: Table 9: The prompt we use to sandbox the target function and its local dependencies to a separate evaluation script. 

#### **Test Generation Prompt**

#### Instructions:

- You're given a piece of PYTHON CODE containing a function called {func\_name}. Assume we will later have another implentation of the {func\_name} function called {func\_name}\_new\_implementation.
- Your goal is to add (1) a test function called {test\_func\_name} to check whether {func\_name}\_new\_implementation has the same functionality as the {func\_name} function, and (2) a \_\_main\_\_ function that calls the test function.
- If the PYTHON CODE already contains a \_\_main\_\_ function, remove it and write a new \_\_main\_\_ function.
- The test function {test\_func\_name} should contain at least 3 assert statements. If {func\_name}\_new\_implementation has different functionality as {func\_name}, an Assertion Error should be triggered.
- The test function {test\_func\_name} should cover all the major branches of the {func\_name} function
- DO NOT test on error handling and DO NOT test on the print information in the function.
- The \_main\_\_ function should NOT contain a try-except structure. If the implementation is incorrect, the program should have a non-zero exit code.
- You should edit the original PYTHON CODE as little as possible.
- If you need to write files to the disk, use '{docker\_CACHE\_DIR}' as the directory.
- Provide your reasoning and the new PYTHON CODE containing your test function {test\_func\_name} and the \_\_main\_\_ function below SOLUTION.

#### **PYTHON CODE:**

"python

{code}

Your answer should follow the format below:

Reasoning: ...

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# The new PYTHON CODE containing your test function  $\{\text{test\_func\_name}\}\$ and the  $\_$ main $\_$ function. "

Do NOT include other formatting. Output every token of your edited PYTHON CODE with no omission or abbreviation.

SOLUTION:

Table 10: The prompt we use to generate tests in the evaluation scripts.

#### Debugging Prompt (for data construction)

#### Instructions:

- You're given a piece of PYTHON CODE containing a function called {func\_name} and its test function called {test\_func\_name}. Assume we will later add another function called {func\_name}\_new\_implementation, the test function aims to check whether {func\_name}\_new\_implementation has the same functionality as {func\_name}.
- In our experiments, we implemented {func\_name}\_new\_implementation exactly the same as {func\_name}, but the PYTHON CODE cannot be successfully executed.
- Your task is to debug PYTHON CODE based on the ERROR MESSAGE.
- You should modify the code as little as possible, especially the test\_{func\_name} function and the {func\_name} function.
- Make sure that after debugging, the test function test\_{func\_name} still have at least three assert statements and cover all the major branches of the {func\_name} function.
- DO NOT test the logging information of error handling and DO NOT test on the print information in the function.
- If you need to write files to the disk, use '{docker\_CACHE\_DIR}' as the directory.
- Provide your reasoning and the debugged PYTHON CODE below SOLUTION. If necessary, output the bash scripts for Linux in another code block in the format of "bash ... ".

# PYTHON CODE: "python {code} "" ERROR MESSAGE: "" {err\_msg}

Your answer should follow the format below:

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Reasoning: ...
"'python

The debugged PYTHON CODE in one piece.
"'bash

the bash script, if necessary
""
```

Do NOT include other formatting. Output every token of your debugged PYTHON CODE with no omission or abbreviation.

# SOLUTION:

Table 11: The prompt we use to debug the evaluation scripts if there are any errors when we copy the ground truth solution as the new implementation and execute the scripts.

Test Coverage Improvement Prompt Instructions: - You're given a piece of PYTHON CODE containing a function called {func\_name} and its test function called {test\_func\_name}. Assume we will later add another function called {func\_name}\_new\_implementation, the test function aims to check whether {func\_name}\_new\_implementation has the same functionality as {func\_name}. - You're also given the MISSING LINES of the {func\_name}\_new\_implementation function that are NOT covered by {test\_func\_name}. - Your task is to improve the branch coverage rate of the {test\_func\_name} function. - You should only modify the {test\_func\_name} function. DO NOT modify other parts of the code. - DO NOT test the logging information of error handling and DO NOT test on the print information in the function. - If you need to write files to the disk, use '{docker\_CACHE\_DIR}' as the directory. - Provide your reasoning and your revised {test\_func\_name} function below SOLUTION. PYTHON CODE: ""python {code} MISSING LINES: {missing\_code} Your answer should follow the format below: Reasoning: ... "'python # Your revised {test\_func\_name} function Do NOT include other formatting. Output every token of the {test\_func\_name} function with no omission or abbreviation. SOLUTION: Table 12: The prompt we use to improve the coverage of the test function if there are any missing branches. 

Table 13: The prompt we use in the quality check stage, where we check whether the sandboxed and original functions have exactly the same functionality.

ANSWER: "same", "yes" or "no".

Do NOT include other formatting.

SOLUTION:

# Test Correctness Check Prompt Instructions: a dictionary, a class, etc.). PYTHON CODE: {code} REASONING: Your reasoning, ANSWER: "yes" or "no". SOLUTION:

- You are given a piece of PYTHON CODE containing a function called {func\_name}, its new implementation {func\_name}\_new\_implementation (now hidden) and its test function called {test\_func\_name}.
- Your task is to judge whether the test function satisfies all the CONDITIONS:
- \*\* CONDITION 1 \*\* The {func\_name} function should either have return values or modifies global variables or input arguments (such as a list,
- \*\* CONDITION 2 \*\* The test cases should only check the return values or variable states. It should NOT check printed or logged contents,
- \*\* CONDITION 3 \*\* {func\_name}\_new\_implementation can pass all the test cases IF AND ONLY IF it has the EXACTLY same functionality as
- \*\* CONDITION 4 \*\* The test cases and assert statements are reasonable. For example, if {func\_name} does not have return values, you should NOT use 'assert  $\{func\_name\}() == \{func\_name\}\_new\_implementation()$ ' to test the implementation.
- \*\* CONDITION 5 \*\* The test cases are non-trivial.
- If the test function satisfies all the CONDITIONS, answer "yes". Otherwise, answer "no".
- Provide your reasoning and the answer under "SOLUTION".

Your answer should follow the format below:

Do NOT include other formatting.

Table 14: The prompt we use in the quality check stage, where we check whether the generated test function is correct, reasonable, and actually comparing the functionalities of the ground truth function and the new implementation.

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           [Case 1, Origifinal Function & GitHub Context] score_explicit_question()
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            `python
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         ## chan_questions.py
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         import json
         import prompts
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         from helpers import get_openai_answer, chunker, clean_and_hash, clean_html, query_to_search_url
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         def score_explicit_question(string: str) -> list:
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             Uses LLMs to score a question based on whether it is considered explicit or implicit.
840
             Uses OpenAI.
841
             prompt = prompts.IS_EXPLICIT
842
             answer = get_openai_answer(prompt.replace("[input]", string))
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844
             results = json.loads(answer)["results"]
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             return results
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         ```python
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         ## helpers.py
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         import openai
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         import\ config\\
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         def get_openai_answer(prompt: str, response_format="json_object", model=None):
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             # initiate
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             client = openai.OpenAI(api_key=config.OPENAI_KEY)
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             if not model:
                model = config.MODEL
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             # Get response
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             response = client.chat.completions.create(
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                model=model,
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                 temperature=config.TEMPERATURE,
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                 max_tokens=config.MAX_OUTPUT_TOKENS,
                 response_format={"type": response_format},
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                 messages=[{
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                     "role": "user",
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                     "content": prompt
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                 }]
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             )
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             return response.choices[0].message.content
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Figure 5: Case study 1. The original score\_explicit\_question function and its context extracted from the original GitHub repository. The function calls the text completion function from the OpenAI API.

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[Case 1, Evaluation Script - Sandboxing] score_explicit_question()
import json
# Mock configuration
class config:
   OPENAI_KEY = "mock_openai_key"
   MODEL = "mock_model"
   TEMPERATURE = 0.5
   MAX_OUTPUT_TOKENS = 100
# Mock prompts
class prompts:
   IS_EXPLICIT = "Is the following question explicit or implicit? [input]"
# Mock OpenAI API response
def get_openai_answer(prompt: str, response_format="json_object", model=None):
   # Mock response simulating the OpenAI API
   mock_response = {
       "results": [
           {"question": prompt, "score": "explicit" if "explicit" in prompt else "implicit"}
   }
    return json.dumps(mock_response)
# The original function from chan_questions.py
def score_explicit_question(string: str) -> list:
   Uses LLMs to score a question based on whether it is considered explicit or implicit.
   Uses OpenAI.
    prompt = prompts.IS_EXPLICIT
    answer = get_openai_answer(prompt.replace("[input]", string))
    results = json.loads(answer)["results"]
    return results
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Figure 6: Case study 1. The sandboxed score\_explicit\_question function in the evaluation script. The LLM generates a mock function called get\_openai\_answer to replace the real API call. With the mock class, the score\_explicit\_question has the exactly same functionality as the original function, but does not make real OpenAI API calls.

# [Case 1, Evaluation Script - Tests] score\_explicit\_question()

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         def test_score_explicit_question():
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             # Test case 1: Explicit question
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             input_str1 = "Is this an explicit question?"
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             assert score_explicit_question(input_str1) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str1)
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             # Test case 2: Implicit question
944
             input_str2 = "What is the meaning of life?"
945
             assert score_explicit_question(input_str2) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str2)
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             # Test case 3: Neutral question (contains neither explicit nor implicit)
948
             input str3 = "How are you?"
949
             assert score_explicit_question(input_str3) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str3)
950
             # Test case 4: Very short question
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             input str4 = "?"
             assert score_explicit_question(input_str4) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str4)
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             # Test case 5: Very long question
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             input_str5 = "Is this an explicit question?" * 100
956
             assert score_explicit_question(input_str5) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str5)
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             # Test case 6: Case sensitivity
958
             input_str6 = "is this an explicit question?"
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             assert\ score\_explicit\_question(input\_str6) == score\_explicit\_question\_new\_implementation(input\_str6)
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             # Test case 7: Different punctuation
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             input str7 = "Is this an explicit guestion!"
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             assert score_explicit_question(input_str7) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str7)
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             # Test case 8: Special characters
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             input_str8 = "Is this an explicit question? #$%"
966
             assert score_explicit_question(input_str8) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str8)
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968
             # Test case 9: Numbers in question
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             input_str9 = "Is 42 an explicit number?"
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             assert score_explicit_question(input_str9) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str9)
971
972
             # Test case 10: Empty string
             input_str10 = ""
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             assert score_explicit_question(input_str10) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str10)
974
975
             # Test case 11: Leading and trailing whitespace
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             977
             assert score_explicit_question(input_str11) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str11)
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             # Test case 12: Excessive internal whitespace
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             input_str12 = "Is
                               this
   an
   explicit
  question?"
             assert score_explicit_question(input_str12) == score_explicit_question_new_implementation(input_str12)
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         # Main function
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         if __name__ == "__main__":
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             test_score_explicit_question()
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Figure 7: Case study 1. The tests in the evaluation scripts.

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QuizBrain.next_question()
 [Case 2, Origifinal Function & GitHub Context]
## Complete Python Bootcamp/Day 017 Quiz Game/quiz_brain.py
class QuizBrain:
   def __init__(self, questions):
        self.question_number = 0
        self.question_list = questions
        self.score = 0
   def still_has_question(self):
        return self.question_number < len(self.question_list)</pre>
    def next_question(self):
        user_answer = ""
        current_question = self.question_list[self.question_number]
        while user_answer.lower() not in ("true", "false"):
            user_answer = ""
            user_answer = input(f"Q{self.question_number + 1}: {current_question.question} (True/False)")
        self.question_number += 1
        self.check_answer(user_answer, current_question.answer)
   def check_answer(self, user_answer, correct_answer):
        if user_answer.lower() == correct_answer.lower():
            print("Correct!")
            self.score += 1
        else:
            print("Incorrect")
        print(f"The \ correct \ answer \ is: \{correct\_answer\} \setminus nYour \ current \ score \ is \ \{self.score\}/\{self.question\_number\}")
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Figure 8: Case study 2. The original next\_question function. The function reads from system inputs, which are not available when testing in a docker.

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#### 1047 1048 QuizBrain.next\_question() [Case 2, Evaluation Script - Sandboxing] 1049 1050 1051 class MockInput: 1052 def \_\_init\_\_(self, responses): 1053 self.responses = responses self.index = 01054 1055 def \_\_call\_\_(self, prompt): 1056 if self.index < len(self.responses):</pre> response = self.responses[self.index] 1058 self.index += 1 1059 print(prompt + response) # Simulate user seeing the prompt and typing the response 1060 return response raise Exception("No more mock inputs available.") 1061 1062 class Question: 1063 def \_\_init\_\_(self, question, answer): 1064 self.question = question 1065 self.answer = answer 1066 1067 class QuizBrain: 1068 def \_\_init\_\_(self, questions): self.question\_number = 0 1069 self.question\_list = questions self.score = 0 1071 1072 def still\_has\_question(self): 1073 return self.question\_number < len(self.question\_list)</pre> 1074 1075 def next\_question(self): user\_answer = "" 1076 current\_question = self.question\_list[self.question\_number] while user\_answer.lower() not in ("true", "false"): 1078 user\_answer = "" 1079 user\_answer = input(f"Q{self.question\_number + 1}: {current\_question.question} (True/False)") 1081 self.question\_number += 1 1082 self.check\_answer(user\_answer, current\_question.answer) 1083 1084 def check\_answer(self, user\_answer, correct\_answer): 1085 if user\_answer.lower() == correct\_answer.lower(): 1086 print("Correct!") 1087 self.score += 1 1088 else: 1089 print("Incorrect") 1090 print(f"The correct answer is: {correct\_answer}\nYour current score is {self.score}/{self.question\_number}") 1091

Figure 9: Case study 2. The sandboxed next\_question function in the evaluation script. The LLM generates a mock class called MockInput to replace the real system input. With the mock class, the next\_question has the exactly same functionality as the original function, but does not read system inputs.

#### QuizBrain.next\_question() [Case 2, Evaluation Script - Tests] def test\_next\_question(): questions = [ Question("Is the sky blue?", "True"), Question("Is the grass red?", "False"), quiz\_original = QuizBrain(questions) quiz\_new = QuizBrain(questions) mock\_responses = ["True", "False"] mock\_input = MockInput(mock\_responses) # Replace the built-in input function with mock\_input for testing global input original\_input = input input = mock\_input # Run original implementation while quiz\_original.still\_has\_question(): quiz\_original.next\_question() # Reset input for the new implementation mock\_input = MockInput(mock\_responses) input = mock\_input # Run new implementation while quiz\_new.still\_has\_question(): quiz\_new.next\_question\_new\_implementation() assert quiz\_original.score == quiz\_new.score, "Scores differ between implementations" $assert\ quiz\_original. question\_number == quiz\_new. question\_number,\ "Question\ numbers\ differ\ between$ implementations" assert quiz\_original.still\_has\_question() == quiz\_new.still\_has\_question(), "Question completion state differs between implementations" if \_\_name\_\_ == "\_\_main\_\_": test\_next\_question()

Figure 10: Case study 2. The tests in the evaluation scripts, which call the MockInput class to mock the system input.