# TOOLBRIDGE: AN OPEN-SOURCE DATASET TO EQUIP LLMs with External Tool Capabilities

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### **ABSTRACT**

Through the integration of external tools, large language models (LLMs) such as GPT-40 and Llama 3.1 significantly expand their functional capabilities, evolving from elementary conversational agents to general-purpose assistants. We contend that the primary drivers of these advancements are the quality and diversity of the training data. However, the existing LLMs with external tool integration provide only limited transparency regarding their datasets and data collection approaches, which has led to the initiation of this study. Specifically, in this work, we endeavor to present a detailed exposition of the methodology for constructing datasets that facilitate LLMs in effectively learning how to utilize external tools and make this process available to the public through the introduction of ToolBridge. ToolBridge proposes to leverage a collection of general open-access datasets as its raw dataset pool and incorporates a series of strategies to identify the appropriate data entries for external tool API insertions. By supervised fine-tuning (SFT) on these curated data entries, LLMs can invoke external tools in appropriate contexts to boost their predictive accuracy, particularly for essential functions including factual retrieval, data processing and numerical computation. Our experiments meticulously isolate model architectures and training configurations, zeroing in exclusively on the role of data. The experimental results indicate that LLMs trained on ToolBridge exhibit consistent performance gains on both standard benchmarks and custom evaluation datasets. All associated code and data will be released as open source, promoting transparency and facilitating the broader community to explore methodologies for equipping LLMs with external tools capabilities.

### 1 Introduction

Large language models (LLMs) have revolutionized natural language processing, excelling in tasks including question answering, summarization, and text generation Jiang et al. (2023); Achiam et al. (2023); Dubey et al. (2024); Gunter et al. (2024); Team et al. (2024). Despite the impressive achievements of LLMs, they persistently underperform in fundamental areas, such as arithmetic and factual lookup, where external tools can effectively provide solutions Schick et al. (2024).

Consequently, there has been a rise in research efforts committed to equipping LLMs with the ability to utilize external tools. These efforts can be broadly categorized into two distinct areas: (1) function calling, such as Toolllm Qin et al. (2023) and API-Bank Li et al. (2023), which offer curated datasets and standardized evaluation protocols to systematically assess and compare the tool-use capabilities of LLMs, focusing on enabling LLMs to function as agents that call APIs without requiring explicit training on their usage. (2) tool former, exemplified by GPT-40 and Toolformer Schick et al. (2024), which seek to empower LLMs with the capability to autonomously invoke and utilize external tools during inference, emphasizing advanced reasoning by enabling LLMs to discern which external tool to call, the appropriate timing for the call, and the systematic parsing and integration of the execution results into the generated text. This study primarily concentrates on the latter area.

Within the latter context, Llama 3.1 Dubey et al. (2024) is trained to utilize Brave Search, Wolfram Alpha API and Python interpreter by incorporating synthetic data combined with human-annotated data. Toolformer Schick et al. (2024) adopts a self-supervised training strategy to equip LLMs with the capability to leverage diverse tools effectively. However, these existing works tend to either only open-source their trained models and code or restrict access to the models through usage interfaces

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Assistant: "The answer to 5^2 is <python>answer = 5**2\nprint(answer)</python><result>25</result>25."
User: "Standardize the following date to the ISO 8601 format.\nJuly 26th, 2021."
Assistant: "The standardized date in ISO 8601 format is: <python>from datetime import datetime \ndate str = 'July 26th, 2021'\ndate obj =
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User: "Question: What's the answer to that question: what currency do the ukraine use?\nAnswer:"
Assistant: "The currency used in Ukraine is the <python>import requests\n\nresponse =
requests.get('https://restcountries.com/v3.1/name/Ukraine')\ncurrency = response.json()[0]['currencies']\ncurrency code =
list(currency.keys())[0]\ncurrency_name = currency[currency_code]['name']\nprint(currency_name)</python><result>Ukrainian
hryvnia</result> Ukrainian hryvnia (UAH).
User: "Solve 5*z - 180 = -165 for z. What is the answer?"
Assistant: "To solve for z in the equation 5*z - 180 = -165, we need to isolate z on one side of the equation. \n\nFirst, we can add 180 to both
sides of the equation to get rid of the constant term on the left side: \n\n5*z - 180 + 180 = -165 + 180 \n\nSimplifying the left side, we get:
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z\nprint(solution[0])</python><result>3</result>\n\nz = 3 \n\nTherefore, the solution to the equation 5*z - 180 = -165 is z = 3."
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Figure 1: **Examples of data entries from ToolBridge.** The proposed pipeline is capable of generating a large volume of data entries to facilitate model learning to utilize external tools.

Achiam et al. (2023); Dubey et al. (2024); Gunter et al. (2024). The data underlying the training of these models is commonly withheld from public disclosure, enveloped in secrecy.

The widespread availability of pre-trained models stands in stark contrast to the limited transparency surrounding their training datasets, which impedes the community's progress in advancing discoveries in this area. This emphasizes the critical need to explore ways to create high-quality, publicly available datasets for training LLMs to utilize external tools to facilitate their reasoning process.

In response to the challenges discussed, this paper proposes a pipeline for the large-scale creation of datasets tailored to equip LLMs with the capability to effectively utilize external tools. Specifically, we begin by aggregating a substantial collection of open-source datasets used for LLMs supervised fine-tuning (SFT) from the community, which circumvents proprietary concerns including copyright issues. Upon establishing the dataset pool, we propose a systematic strategy to assist in identification of valuable data entries and convert them into a standardized format. Finally, consistency validation is conducted to further boost the quality of the converted data entries and ToolBridge is constructed. As demonstrated in Figure 1, we showcase the data entries from ToolBridge, which function to guide LLMs in understanding how to incorporate external tools in appropriate contexts, thereby improving the accuracy and reliability of their outputs. For instance, the third case in Figure 1 serves to instruct LLMs in leveraging the *requests* module to gather factual information from web sources. Moreover, LLMs can employ the fourth scenario to understand how *sympy* library can be applied to solve linear equation of one variable.

In summary, the contributions of this paper are as follows,

- We propose a pipeline capable of producing large volumes of entries for training LLMs to incorporate various external tools. The collection of over 178K yielded data entries, named ToolBridge, will be open-sourced to the community, marking a significant advancement in the transparency and accessibility of the data for training LLMs to leverage external tools.
- Our experimental results demonstrates that LLMs supervised fine-tuned on ToolBridge can achieve consistent performance improvements on several standard benchmarks.
- We also propose to curate a set of data entries to examine the abilities of LLMs in numerical
  calculation, data processing and factual retrieval before and after supervised fine-tuning on
  ToolBridge. Experimental outcomes reaffirm the effectiveness of ToolBridge

This is, to our knowledge, the first work in the domain of enabling LLMs to learn to utilize external tools that open-sources the training data. We anticipate that ToolBridge will facilitate the community

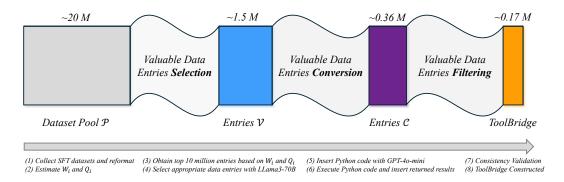


Figure 2: **Overview of the construction pipeline for ToolBridge.** The construction of ToolBridge follows three main steps: identifying valuable data entries in the dataset pool, converting these data entries through the integration of external tool calls and finally conducting a thorough cleanup of the converted data entries by consistency validation.

in further investigating the ability of LLMs to use external tools, thereby advancing LLMs from basic conversational models to versatile general-purpose assistants.

### 2 Related Work

**Tool Use for LLMs.** Enabling LLMs to use external tools like search engines and code interpreters significantly broadens the range of tasks LLMs can address and strengthens their predictive accuracy. The methodologies for equipping LLMs with the capability to employ external tools can be broadly categorized into two paradigms, i.e., function calling and tool former. In particular, function calling emphasizes allowing LLMs to act as agents that invoke APIs using predefined functions and prompts without necessitating explicit training on their usage Li et al. (2023); Shen et al. (2024). Conversely, tool former prioritize empowering LLMs with the ability to autonomously identify appropriate tools, determine the optimal invocation timings, and incorporate the outputs into their reasoning processes. For example, Komeili (2021) proposed to enable LLMs to adopt a search engine by learning to yield an internet search query based on the context, and then condition its generated response on the search results. Cobbe et al. (2021) facilitated LLMs' utilization of a calculator during inference by training the models with calculation annotations injected into the datasets. Thoppilan et al. (2022) proposed to assist LLMs in invoking external tools from a toolset, comprising an information retrieval system, a calculator and a translator, by training it to produce a special string TS. Gao et al. (2023) suggested adopting LLMs to interpret natural language problems and yield programs as intermediate reasoning, while delegating the solution process to a runtime environment like a Python interpreter. Toolformer Schick et al. (2024) allowed LLMs to learn how to adopt the external tools through a self-supervised learning approach. Of late, the works like GPT-4o, Llama 3.1 Dubey et al. (2024) and Apple LLMs further strengthened LLMs' ability to leverage external tools through improvements in training data, model architectures, etc. This study falls into the latter category, namely tool former.

Although previous research in the domain of tool former are highly praiseworthy, they seldom make the data required for training their models publicly available, which is crucial for the community to advance research and build upon their contributions. This paper presents a pipeline aimed at yielding data entries for training models in external tool utilization, along with open-sourcing all data entries produced using this methodology This open access facilitates the development of more effective and efficient algorithms for the next generation of LLMs integrated with external tool functionalities.

**Training Datasets for Tool Use.** Previous datasets designed to train LLMs to utilize external tools primarily fall within the function calling paradigm. For instance, Qin et al. (2023) collected a high-quality instruction-tuning dataset ToolBench, which is constructed automatically adopting ChatGPT. Li et al. (2023) introduced API-Bank, which encompasses 1,888 tool-use dialogues from 2,138 APIs spanning 1,000 distinct domains. However, to the best of our knowledge, there is a notable absence of research efforts that have open-sourced training datasets within the tool former domain.

To address this significant gap, this paper presents ToolBridge - a dataset of more than 178,000 data entries to support LLMs in effectively learning to utilize external tools within tool former paradigm.

### 3 TOOLBRIDGE

Previous LLMs like GPT-40 and Llama 3.1 only provide limited information on how they curate the data entries to empower themselves to employ external tools. To address the lack of transparency in training data, we propose a generic pipeline for constructing large-scale datasets from public sources to enable LLMs to use external tools. As indicated in Figure 1, the whole pipeline follows three main steps: valuable data entries **selection**, **conversion** and **filtering**.

Source	# of Entries	Source	# of Entries
School Math 0.25M	248,481	LIMA	1,330
code_instructions_120k_alpaca	121,959	TigerBot	1,199,030
Platypus	24,926	TSI-v0	5,607,620
ShareGPT90K	90,665	LaMini-Instruction	2,585,615
WizardLM_Orca	54,974	Bactrian-X	67,017
WizardLM_evol_instruct_70k	70,000	Baize	210,311
tiny-codes	1,632,309	COIG	178,246
WizardLM evolve_instruct V2	143,000	MOSS SFT	1,074,551
No Robots	10,000	AlpacaDataCleaned	51,760
ign_clean_instruct_dataset_500k	508,620	GPT-4all	808,812
GPT-4-LLM	113,003	Alpaca	52,002
ChatAlpaca	20,000	self-instruct	82,439
OpenOrca	4,233,923		

Table 1: The composition of our dataset pool  $\mathcal{P}$  to construct ToolBridge.

### 3.1 Dataset Pool Construction

Our work starts with a review of the data accessible in the community for the purpose of supervised fine-tuning (SFT). Table 1 summarizes the results. Owing to the diverse range of teams contributing the SFT datasets, there is significant heterogeneity in their formats, which introduces difficulties on effective model training. Hence, we first reformat all candidate datasets into a standardized ChatML format for further processing:

After reformatting all datasets, we construct the dataset pool as  $\mathcal{P} = \{(\mathcal{D}_i, W_i, Q_i) \mid i \geq 0\}$ , where  $\mathcal{D}_i$  denotes one candidate dataset,  $W_i$  measures the proportion of valuable entries for each dataset, and  $Q_i$  serves as a metric for assessing the quality of each dataset.

Practically, to obtain  $W_i$ , we first perform random sampling on  $\mathcal{D}_i$  to produce a subset  $\mathcal{S}_i$ , containing 1% data entries of  $\mathcal{D}_i$ . Llama3-70B is then applied to judge the appropriateness of each entry in  $\mathcal{S}_i$  for external tool invocation to enhance reasoning, where the prompt employed is shown in Appendix A.1. In generally, if an entry is deemed suitable for invoking external tools to help LLMs' reasoning process, we label it as a valuable entry. At last, we determine  $W_i$  as the ratio between the number of valuable data entries and the total number of data entries in  $\mathcal{S}_i$ .

Additionally, we observe that some candidate datasets within the dataset pool  $\mathcal{P}$  are partially sourced from the Internet via web scraping, resulting in the inclusion of certain meaningless HTML tags and other irrelevant content. Thus, we incorporate  $Q_i$  as an additional metric to evaluate the data quality of each candidate dataset. To compute  $Q_i$ , we randomly sample N data entries from  $\mathcal{D}_i$  and conduct a manual review to identify any presence of irrelevant characters or content, where we configure N as 100 by default.  $Q_i$  is then derived as the fraction of data entries devoid of irrelevant contents over the total number of sampled entries N.

### 3.2 VALUABLE DATA ENTRIES SELECTION

Upon constructing the dataset pool  $\mathcal{P}$ , due to the large scale of candidate data entries, we propose to select 10 million data entries from  $\mathcal{P}$  for further processing tailored to the dataset attributes  $W_i$  and

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 $Q_i$ . Particularly, we first arrange  $\mathcal{D}_i$  in descending order guided by the value of  $Q_i \times W_i$ . Then, the data entries are selected from the top-ranked datasets sequentially until the overall volume amounts to 10 million data entries.

Subsequently, Llama3-70B with the prompt detailed in Appendix A.1 is applied to ascertain whether each entry within the 10 million samples is appropriate for LLMs to enhance reasoning via utilizing external tools. And we represent the collection of these appropriate data entries with  $\mathcal{V}$ , namely, the valuable data entries. In Table 2, we present the distribution of  $\mathcal{V}$  across the respective datasets from which they are derived. It is observed that leveraging the capabilities of Llama3-70B, we can refine the 10 million data entries down to 1,527,153 valuable entries.

Source	# of Entries	Source	# of Entries
School Math 0.25M	205,996	ChatAlpaca	2,643
Platypus	7,776	ShareGPT90K	24,348
WizardLM_Orca	8,659	WizardLM_evol_instruct_70k	28,293
WizardLM evolve_instruct V2	5,399	MOSS SFT	136,603
TigerBot	182,249	GPT-4all	47,627
COIG	15,181	LIMA	309
AlpacaDataCleaned	13,805	GPT-4-LLM	9,978
Bactrian-X	3,313	OpenOrca	834,974

Table 2: The composition of the selected valuable data entries V.

### 3.3 VALUABLE DATA ENTRIES CONVERSION

Following valuable data entries selection, we further convert the selected entries, allowing LLMs to learn how to invoke the external tools effectively within the proper context to support their reasoning process. In particular, we draw on previous methodologies Schick et al. (2024); Dubey et al. (2024); Thoppilan et al. (2022) by embedding special characters in each selected entry to enable the external tool invocation, and LLMs are used to pinpoint the appropriate context for calling external tools.

### Algorithm 1 Process Special Tokens During Inference

**Require:** Python interpreter and *inputs*.

**Ensure:** Execute the code enclosed by <python> and </python>, and use the captured output as a condition for the subsequent text generation.

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          1: Initialize an empty list outputs
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          2: Initialize condition \leftarrow None
          3:
             while outputs is empty or outputs[-1] \neq < | end_of_text| > do
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                 output \leftarrow LLM(inputs)
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          5:
                 if output =  <python> then
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          6:
                     start \leftarrow length \ of \ outputs + length \ of < python >
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          7:
                 else if output = </python> then
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                     Extract substring code \leftarrow outputs[start:]
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          9:
                     condition \leftarrow ExecutePython(code)
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         10:
                 end if
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         11:
                 Append output to both inputs and outputs
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         12:
                 if condition is not None then
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         13:
                     Append condition to both inputs and outputs
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                     Reset condition \leftarrow None
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         15:
                 end if
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         16: end while
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         17: Post-process and return outputs
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As illustrated in the examples in Figure 1, <python> and </python> are represented as a pair of special tokens. The content enclosed by the special tokens specifies the Python invocation for using external tools. During the construction of ToolBridge, we predominantly use GPT-40-mini to insert the special tokens in the appropriate context within each data entry identified in Section 3.2, as well as to create the associated code for invoking external tools. To facilitate the return of tool execution

results, we examine the code generated by GPT-40 when calling Python API as part of its reasoning process. It is observed that the final results are always printed at the end of the code. In line with the strategy of GPT-40, we include a directive in the prompt for GPT-40-mini to print the final result of the tool execution as the concluding line of the code (refer to Appendix A.2).

Following GPT-4o-mini's processing of  $\mathcal{V}$ , we retrieve the code segments between <python> and </python>, execute them, and finally insert the captured output after corresponding </python>, where the output will be wrapped within another pair of special tokens, denoted as <result> and </result>. To summarize, the tool invocation in ToolBridge can be formatted as,

<python>generated code</python><result>captured output</result>.

During the reasoning process of the models, it is sufficient to verify the existence of the pre-defined special tokens <python> and </python>. If identified, the Python interpreter will be adopted to execute the enclosed code between the special tokens, and the final result is wrapped in <result> and </result> to condition further text generation. Algorithm 1 describes the primary inference process of LLMs post-SFT on the ToolBridge dataset.

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Source	# of Entries	Source	# of Entries
School Math 0.25M	150,104	ChatAlpaca	116
Platypus	82	ShareGPT90K	3
WizardLM_Orca	88	WizardLM_evol_instruct_70k	3,716
WizardLM evolve_instruct V2	8	OpenOrca	101,715
TigerBot	66,793	GPT-4all	8,936
COIG	7,877	LIMA	107
AlpacaDataCleaned	4,510	GPT-4-LLM	2,577
Bactrian-X	84		

Table 3: The composition of the converted data entries C.

It is worth noting that the data entries in C, totaling 364,605, are significantly fewer than those in V which amount to 1,527,153. We attribute this to the following factors,

- The returned data entries that lack the Python code inserted by GPT-4o-mini are eliminated.
   Approximately 19.2% of the data entries in V fall under this category, which indicates that GPT-4o-mini regards these entries as not requiring external tools to aid in LLMs' reasoning.
- The returned data format did not match the expected structure, resulting in parsing failure. Instances include an unequal count of <python> and </python> tokens, modifications to the original content alongside Python code insertion, to name a few. Such entries account for approximately 27.2% of the data entries in V.
- The request to GPT-40-mini fails. These data entries constitute approximately 2.1% of  $\mathcal{V}$ .
- With Python's *ast* library, we filter out the returned data entries where the inserted code is only an assignment followed by a print statement. Such entries represent about 4.8% of  $\mathcal{V}$ . We provide the detailed algorithm we use to filter such data entries in Appendix A.3.
- We filter around 22.8% data entries of  $\mathcal{V}$  to remove tool calls that could not be executed or the execution time of the tool exceeded 30 seconds (refer to Appendix A.4 for details).

In summary, 23.9% of the entries from V remain in the converted data entries C.

### 3.4 Data Entries Filtering by Consistency Validation

In practice, we observe that LLMs trained on  $\mathcal C$  do not always base their subsequent contents on the results produced by the yielded Python code during inference. So, we conduct a reassessment of the data entries within  $\mathcal C$  and observe that the execution results from the code generated by GPT-4o-mini also does not always align with the ensuing text, which can explain LLMs' sporadic inconsistencies between tool execution results and further contents during inference.

To alleviate the issues above, we propose to filter out the entries in  $\mathcal C$  where the tool execution results are inconsistent with the following text, which is accomplished by validating if the execution results are included in the subsequent content in our approach. Upon the conclusion of the filtering process, the open-source dataset ToolBridge is constructed. In Appendix A.5, we compare the generated text of Llama3-8B after SFT on  $\mathcal C$  and ToolBridge, which demonstrates the necessity for the data entries filtering by consistency validation.

The data sources that comprise ToolBridge, totaling 178,023 entries, are outlined in Table 4, which represents 48.8% of the total data entries in C.

Source	# of Entries	Source	# of Entries
School Math 0.25M	100,836	ChatAlpaca	17
Platypus	35	ShareGPT90K	3
WizardLM_Orca	29	WizardLM_evol_instruct_70k	794
WizardLM evolve_instruct V2	1	OpenOrca	46,449
TigerBot	22,306	GPT-4all	2,616
COIG	2,706	LIMA	27
AlpacaDataCleaned	1,129	GPT-4-LLM	1,043
Bactrian-X	32		

Table 4: The final composition of our proposed ToolBridge.

### 4 EXPERIMENTS

In this section, we first present the statistics of ToolBridge and then investigate whether LLMs with SFT on ToolBridge could leverage external tools to facilitate their reasoning process. The evaluation consists of two components: (1) by comparing LLMs' performance on standard benchmarks before and after SFT on ToolBridge (Section 4.3); (2) by evaluating the accuracy of the models on custom datasets RandomQA and FACT (Section 4.4).

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Source	# of Tool Use	# of Libraries	Source	# of Tool Use	# of Libraries
School Math 0.25M	104,983	8	ChatAlpaca	73	1
Platypus	36	3	ShareGPT90K	3	0
WizardLM_Orca	33	4	WizardLM_evol_instruct_70k	836	22
WizardLM evolve_instruct V2	1	0	OpenOrca	46,832	28
TigerBot	22,507	40	GPT-4all	2,870	42
COIG	2,719	28	LIMA	27	2
AlpacaDataCleaned	1,139	23	GPT-4-LLM	1,052	14
Bactrian-X	36	3			

Table 5: Statistics of the usage of external tools in ToolBridge.

### 4.1 Dataset Statistics of ToolBridge

In Table 4, we present 15 source datasets involved in the data entries of ToolBridge, along with their respective composition ratios. To prevent any confusion for the datasets (*e.g.*, other datasets with the same name and the same datasets with different versions), we also provide download links for these datasets in Appendix A.6.

Besides, we provide a summary of the frequency of external tool calls in ToolBridge and the variety of Python packages used for these calls, as presented in Table 5. By comparing Table 4 and Table 5, we can observe that the majority of the data entries in ToolBridge involve only a single external tool call. Furthermore, Table 5 also suggests that the data entries in ToolBridge originating from datasets with narrower topics (*e.g.*, School Math 0.25M) generally leverage fewer kinds of Python packages compared to those from datasets with broader topics (*e.g.*, TigerBot), which is consistent with logic. To summarize, there are 183,147 external tool calls in our ToolBridge dataset, utilizing a total of 60

In Appendix A.12, we also quantify the usage frequency of the 60 Python packages incorporated in ToolBridge, and their distribution is illustrated in Table 13.

Python packages, including requests, math, datetime, sklearn, to name a few.

### 4.2 EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

**Baseline Models.** Our experiments incorporate four baseline models: the base model of Mistral-7B, Llama2-7B, Llama3-8B and Llama3-70B. Also, we remove all the external tool invocation sections in each entry in ToolBridge (denote as ToolBridge§) and report the accuracy of four baseline models SFT on ToolBridge§ as four additional baseline models.

**Benchmark Datasets.** The standard benchmark datasets leveraged in our experiments include GSM 8K Cobbe et al. (2021), GSM Plus Li et al. (2024), MathBench Liu et al. (2024), Stanford WebQA Berant et al. (2013) and TruthfulQA Lin et al. (2021). For GSM 8k and GSM Plus, the performance is evaluated on their respective test sets under few-shot setting, where we leverage a fixed CoT-n-shot prompt template, as outlined in Li et al. (2024). For MathBench, we report results on MathBench-A, where we transform the multiple-choice questions in the College, High and Middle categories into a question-and-answer format for CoT-n-shot evaluation. To differentiate from standard MathBench, we refer to this adjusted dataset as MathBench\*.

We also develop two custom datasets, termed RandomQA and FACT, to evaluate the capabilities of LLMs in data processing, numerical computation and factual retrieval. Section 4.4 elaborates on the specifics of both datasets.

**SFT Settings.** All the models in our experiments are trained with the open-source TRL library from Hugging Face von Werra et al. (2020). The LoRA module Hu et al. (2021) is employed to carry out SFT on the base model of Mistral-7B, Llama2-7B, Llama3-8B and Llama3-70B using ToolBridge<sup>§</sup> or ToolBridge, with a LoRA rank of 16. Model training is conducted on 64 × MI200 64GB GPUs, with each processing a batch size of 2 (*i.e.*, total batch size is 128). AdamW is employed to optimize the parameters of LoRA, with a cosine learning rate scheduler, configuring the initial lr at 3e-5 and the total training epoch at 3.

**Inference Settings.** The primary process of model inference is described in Algorithm 1. Moreover, to handle potential tool call failures during inference, we propose to eliminate failed tool calls from the current output before conditioning the generation of further text. All trained models are evaluated on  $16 \times MI200~64~GB~GPUs$ , with the max new tokens set to 512 and the temperature set to zero.

Models	SFT data	GSM 8k	GSM Plus	MathBench*
Llama2-7B	-	13.6	8.9	18.0
Llama2-7B-Lora	ToolBridge§	16.9	9.9	19.1
Llama2-7B-Lora	ToolBridge	18.1	11.0	21.4
Llama3-8B	-	52.3	36.9	33.0
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge§	53.4	37.8	35.2
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge	55.8	40.0	37.4
Mistral-7B	-	38.1	25.1	27.8
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge§	42.8	27.6	28.9
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge	45.0	29.8	31.0
Llama3-70B	-	75.3	54.4	42.1
Llama3-70B-Lora	ToolBridge§	78.5	57.6	44.1
Llama3-70B-Lora	ToolBridge	80.1	59.8	46.9

Table 6: Ablation studies on GSM 8k, GSM Plus and MathBench\* with (8 shots, CoT) setting.

### 4.3 RESULTS ON STANDARD BENCHMARKS

In this section, we conduct ablation studies on standard benchmark datasets, including TruthfulQA, GSM 8k, GSM Plus, MathBench and Stanford WebQA, where GSM 8k, GSM Plus and MathBench are primarily responsible for evaluating the capability of LLMs in numerical reasoning and computation, and TruthfulQA and Stanford WebQA are primarily adopted to assess the ability of LLMs in factual retrieval. Table 6, 7 and 8 demonstrates the evaluation results.

It is observed that the models SFT on ToolBridge significantly outperform the baseline models. For example, Llama3-8B SFT on ToolBridge brings 3.1% and 2.2% accuracy improvements to the base model of Llama3-8B and the Llama3-8B model SFT on ToolBridge<sup>§</sup> when evaluating on GSM Plus, respectively. These results indicate that SFT on ToolBridge can help strengthen LLMs' capabilities in handling numerical computations. Furthermore, ToolBridge is able to facilitate abilities of LLMs

Models	SFT data	Stanford WebQA
Llama3-8B	-	21.2
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge <sup>§</sup>	37.7
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge	39.9
Mistral-7B	-	34.4
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge§	35.8
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge	39.1

Table 7: Ablation studies on Stanford WebQA under zero-shot setting.

Models	SFT data	ROUGE1	BLEURT
Llama3-8B	-	41.2	34.6
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge§	47.0	42.8
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge	48.7	44.4
Mistral-7B	-	43.5	39.4
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge§	44.9	42.3
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge	47.7	44.9

Table 8: Ablation studies on TruthfulQA under zero-shot setting.

in factual retrieval. As shown in Table 7 and 8, SFT on ToolBridge enables Llama3-8B and Mistral-7B to achieve notable gains on Stanford WebQA and TruthfulQA. Specifically, ToolBridge increases the accuracy of Llama3-8B on Stanford WebQA from 21.2% to 39.9%, and on TruthfulQA, it boosts ROUGE1 from 41.2% to 48.7% and BLEURT from 34.6% to 44.4%.

The results above demonstrate that LLMs can effectively learn how to use external tools to enhance their capabilities in basic functions after SFT on ToolBridge. Moreover, it is worthy noting that there is considerable room for improvements in these results, as our emphasis is on the training data, with minimal adjustments made to the model architectures and training strategies, which may help LLMs better learn how to employ external tools through ToolBridge.

Models	SFT data	RandomQA-DP-B1	RandomQA-DP-B2	RandomQA-NC-B1	RandomQA-NC-B2
Llama2-7B	-	10.0	9.0	3.3	3.2
Llama2-7B-Lora.	ToolBridge§	19.2	16.6	7.7	8.6
Llama2-7B-Lora.	ToolBridge	53.2	54.0	63.4	60.7
Llama3-8B	-	9.6	9.2	5.8	7.0
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge§	30.3	29.0	15.8	13.9
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge	62.1	60.0	82.1	80.1
Mistral-7B	-	10.8	9.0	13.8	13.6
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge§	24.7	23.2	16.8	16.5
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge	61.8	60.5	83.3	82.5
Llama3-70B	-	20.0	17.1	9.6	8.9
Llama3-70B-Lora	ToolBridge§	32.1	31.7	22.0	20.3
Llama3-70B-Lora	ToolBridge	74.2	69.9	89.7	89.1

Table 9: Experimental results on RandomQA under zero-shot setting, where DP denotes data processing and NC means numerical computation.

### 4.4 RESULTS ON CUSTOM BENCHMARKS

To further assess whether SFT on the ToolBridge dataset can equip LLMs with the ability to leverage external tools for aiding its reasoning process, we propose to design two custom datasets to evaluate LLMs' performance before and after SFT on the ToolBridge dataset.

**RandomQA.** To assess LLMs' accuracy in data processing and numerical computation capabilities after SFT on ToolBridge, we propose to design 30 templates capable of generating question-answer pairs to validate the abilities of LLMs in data processing and numerical computations, respectively. Here is one example,

The complete list can be found in Appendix A.7. With these pre-defined templates, we first generate four RandomQA datasets, each consisting of 1,000 data entries, and focusing on data processing or numerical computation, *i.e.*, RandomQA-DP-B1/2, RandomQA-NC-B1/2, where DP signifies using template related to data processing to yield the dataset and NC means numerical computation. Then, we evaluate the accuracy of LLMs on the four datasets before and after SFT on ToolBridge. Table 9 demonstrates the results. It is observed that after SFT on ToolBridge, the models shows a significant increase in accuracy on RandomQA.

Models	SFT data	FACT-200-Batch1	FACT-200-Batch2	FACT-200-Batch3
Llama2-7B	-	69.5	55.0	49.0
Llama2-7B-Lora	ToolBridge <sup>§</sup>	86.0	67.5	65.7
Llama2-7B-Lora	ToolBridge	88.5	72.5	73.2
Llama3-8B	-	79.0	60.5	62.2
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge§	89.0	73.0	73.7
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge	90.0	73.5	80.2
Mistral-7B	-	85.0	67.5	65.9
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge <sup>§</sup>	86.5	70.0	66.2
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge	90.5	72.0	77.3
Llama3-70B	-	76.0	53.5	54.0
Llama3-70B-Lora	ToolBridge <sup>§</sup>	88.3	72.4	70.7
Llama3-70B-Lora	ToolBridge	91.2	74.6	82.6

Table 10: Experimental results on FACT under zero-shot setting.

**FACT.** To determine if the factual retrieval skills of LLMs can be improved by SFT on ToolBridge, we construct the FACT datasets. Specifically, we begin by prompting GPT-40 to produce thousands of question-answer pairs focused on factual retrieval. One example prompt is as following,

```
1. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The \rightarrow question topic should be related with Geography. Return them \rightarrow as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words).
```

Appendix A.8 contains the entire set of the adopted prompts for constructing FACT. Upon obtaining the candidate question-answer pairs, we continuously draw random entries from them and manually check their correctness until 200 correct data entries are verified. Through iterating the above process three times with five different prompts each time, we construct three FACT datasets, each with a size of 200 entries, termed FACT-200-Batch1/2/3. Table 10 presents a comparison of the performance of LLMs on the three datasets before and after SFT on the ToolBridge dataset, which shows that LLMs demonstrates enhanced abilities in retrieving factual content.

Besides, one should be aware that relying on external tools to improve the fact retrieval performance of LLMs can be inconsistent. During our experiments, we uncover the following deficiencies

- Using external tools like the *requests* module to obtain information from external websites can lead to potentially unreliable information and LLMs thus yield incorrect predictions. A solution to address this issue is to construct a curated list of trustworthy domains, restricting LLMs from accessing websites beyond this approved whitelist. Besides, we should further refine the training entries to exclude unreliable access links.
- The content scraped from web pages may be overly lengthy, hindering the ability of LLMs to efficiently extract useful information from the scraped contents.
- When LLMs access some external websites, they may attempt to download files from those sites, which poses potential security risks in real-world applications.

Therefore, we recommend that ToolBridge is only used for academic research, with controlled measures in place when it attempts to access external websites.

### 5 CONCLUSION

This paper proposes ToolBridge, which is the first open-source dataset for training LLMs in the use of external tools in the area of tool former. The principal steps to build ToolBridge involves valuable data entries selection, conversion and filtering. Ablation studies on standard and custom benchmark datasets demonstrate the effectiveness of ToolBridge.

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           APPENDIX
649
650
       A.1 LLAMA3-70B PROMPTS
651
652
       The prompt applied while using Llama3-70B to identify valuable data is as follow,
653
654
       Your task is to determine whether you can add calls to a Python API to a piece
655
        \,\hookrightarrow\, of text. The calls should help you get information required to complete the
        \hookrightarrow text. You only need to respond with "Yes" or "No", "Yes" means you can and
656
           "No" means you can't. Here are some examples:
657
658
       Input:
659
       {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Sort the numbers in the list arr =
660
        \hookrightarrow [1, 10, 2, 5, -2, 11, 12] in descending order."}, {"role": "assistant",
661
        \hookrightarrow "content": "The sorted list in descending order is: [12, 11, 10, 5, 2, 1,
662
        \hookrightarrow -2]."}]
663
       Output:
664
665
       Yes
666
667
       Input:
668
       {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Can you tell me a little bit about
669

→ what LaTeX is?"}, {"role": "assistant", "content": "LaTeX is a high-quality
670
        → typesetting system; it includes features designed for the production of
671
           technical and scientific documentation. LaTeX is the de facto standard for
        \,\hookrightarrow\, the communication and publication of scientific documents. It is widely used
672
        → by mathematicians, scientists, engineers, philosophers, linguists,
673

→ economists, and other scholars in academia and the professional world."}]}
674
675
       Output:
676
677
678
       Input:
679
       {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "What is the value of sin 40 degrees
680
        \hookrightarrow plus cos 31 degrees?"}, {"role": "assistant", "content": "The value is
681

    approximately sin 40 + cos 31 = 0.6428 + 0.8572 = 1.500."}]

682
683
       Output:
684
       Yes
685
686
       Input:
687
       {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Write a Python script that reads an
688
        \hookrightarrow image and recognizes the text on it."}, {"role": "assistant", "content": "To
689
           read an image and recognize text on it in Python, you can use the
690
           pytesseract library along with Pillow for image processing. Here's a simple
           example: \nimport pytesseract; from PIL import Image;
691
        → print(pytesseract.image_to_string(Image.open('path_to_image.jpg'))). \nMake
692
        \hookrightarrow sure you have Tesseract OCR installed on your machine and the required
693
           libraries (pytesseract and Pillow) installed in your Python environment. You
694
           can install them using: \npip install pytesseract pillow"}]}
695
       Output:
696
697
       No
698
       Input:
699
700
       PLACEHOLDER
701
       Output:
```

```
702
         A.2 GPT-40-MINI PROMPTS
703
704
         The prompt applied while using GPT-40-mini to convert data entries is as follow,
705
706
         Your task is to add calls to a Python API to a piece of text. The calls should help you
         \hookrightarrow get information required to complete the text. You can call the API by writing
              "<python>code</python>" where "code" is the code to be executed. The last line of
708
         \hookrightarrow all code should print the variable that stores the final result. Here are some
         \hookrightarrow examples of API calls:
709
710
         Input:
711
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Which number is greater, 13.11 or 13.8?"},
712
         → {"role": "assistant", "content": "13.8 is greater than 13.11."}]}
713
        Output:
714
715
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Which number is greater, 13.11 or 13.8?"},
          → {"role": "assistant", "content": "<python>greater_number = max(13.11,
716
         → 13.8)\nprint(greater_number)</python> 13.8 is greater than 13.11."}]}
717
         Input:
718
719
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "How many unique words are there in the
         \hookrightarrow sentence 'The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog'?"}, {"role": "assistant",
720
             "content": "There are eight unique words in the sentence 'The quick brown fox jumps
721
         \hookrightarrow over the lazy dog.'"}]}
722
        Output:
723
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "How many unique words are there in the
724
         \hookrightarrow sentence 'The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog'?"}, {"role": "assistant",
725
         → "content": "There are <python>unique_words = len(set('The quick brown fox jumps over
726

→ the lazy dog'.lower().split()))\nprint(unique_words)
/python> eight unique words in

→ the sentence 'The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.'"}]}

727
728
729
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "What is the area of a circle with a radius of \hookrightarrow 5?"}, {"role": "assistant", "content": "The area of a circle with radius 5 is
730
731
         → 78.54."}]}
732
         Output:
733
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "What is the area of a circle with a radius of \hookrightarrow 5?"}, {"role": "assistant", "content": "The area of a circle with radius 5 is
734
735
         \hookrightarrow <python>import math\narea = math.pi * 5**2\nprint(area)</python> 78.54."}]}
736
737
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Sort the numbers [5, 3, 8, 1, 2] in ascending \hookrightarrow order."}, {"role": "assistant", "content": "The sorted list is [1, 2, 3, 5, 8]."}]}
738
739
740
         Output:
741
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Sort the numbers [5, 3, 8, 1, 2] in ascending
         \hookrightarrow order."}, {"role": "assistant", "content": "The sorted list is <python>lst =
742

    sorted([5, 3, 8, 1, 2])\nprint(lst)/python> [1, 2, 3, 5, 8]."}]
}
743
744
         Input:
745
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Extract the domain from the email
746
         → 'example@test.com'."}, {"role": "assistant", "content": "The domain of the email
         → 'example@test.com' is 'test.com'."}]}
747
748
         Output:
749
         {"messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Extract the domain from the email
750

'example@test.com'."}, {"role": "assistant", "content": "The domain of the email
'example@test.com' is <python>domain =
751
         → 'example@test.com'.split('@')[1]\nprint(domain)/python> 'test.com'."}]}
752
753
         Input:
754
         PLACEHOLDER
755
         Output:
```

## A.3 DETECTING SIMPLE CODE STRUCTURES: ASSIGNMENT FOLLOWED BY PRINT STATEMENT

We use the following code to determine if the inserted code in each entry is simply an assignment followed by printing the variable.

### Algorithm 2 Identifying Code Patterns: Distinguishing Assignments Followed by Print Statements

```
763
          import ast
764
765
          1.1.1
766
          Function:
              Identifying Code Patterns: Distinguishing Assignments Followed
767
                   by Print Statements
768
          Argument:
769
              node: node = ast.parse(code)
770
       8
771
          def isuselesscode(node):
       9
              # Check if the node is an AST Module
       10
772
              if isinstance(node, ast.Module):
       11
773
                   # Ensure the module has exactly two statements:
       12
774
                   # an assignment and an expression.
       13
775
                   if len(node.body) == 2 and isinstance(node.body[0], ast.
       14
776
                      Assign) and isinstance (node.body[1], ast.Expr):
                       assign_node = node.body[0]
777
       15
                       expr_node = node.body[1]
       16
778
                       # Check if the assignment targets a variable and
       17
779
                       # the value is a constant.
780
                       if isinstance(assign_node.targets[0], ast.Name) and
781
                           isinstance(assign_node.value, ast.Constant):
                           # Check if the expression is a function call
782
       20
       21
                           # to 'print'.
783
                           if isinstance(expr_node.value, ast.Call) and
784
                               isinstance(expr_node.value.func, ast.Name) and
785
                               expr_node.value.func.id == 'print':
786
                                # Ensure 'print' has exactly one argument.
       23
                               if len(expr_node.value.args) == 1:
787
       24
                                    arg = expr_node.value.args[0]
788
                                    # Check if the argument to 'print' is
789
                                    # the same variable assigned earlier.
       27
790
                                    if isinstance(arg, ast.Name) and arg.id ==
791
                                        assign_node.targets[0].id:
792
       29
                                        return True
                                    # Alternatively, check if 'print' uses an
       30
793
                                    # f-string format with the variable.
       31
794
                                    elif isinstance(arg, ast.JoinedStr):
795
       33
                                        for value in arg.values:
796
                                            if isinstance(value, ast.
                                                FormattedValue) and isinstance(
797
                                                value.value, ast.Name):
798
       35
                                                # Confirm the formatted
799
                                                # variable is the same as
       36
800
                                                # the assigned variable.
       37
801
                                                if value.value.id ==
       38
                                                    assign_node.targets[0].id:
802
                                                     return True
803
              return False
       40
804
```

## A.4 OPTIMIZING DATASET QUALITY BY REMOVING NON-EXECUTABLE AND SLOW TOOL CALLS

The core code for removing data entries that either fail to execute or exceed the execution time limit is as follows.

### Algorithm 3 Efficient Dataset Curation: Filtering Non-Executable and Time-Consuming Tool Calls

```
817
          import re
818
       2 import io
819
       3 import contextlib
       4 import multiprocessing
820
821
       6 # Execute Python code
822
       7 def executecode (code):
823
       8
              with io.StringIO() as buf, contextlib.redirect_stdout(buf):
824
                  try:
825
       10
                       exec (code)
                       return buf.getvalue().strip()
       11
826
                  except Exception:
      12
827
                       return None
      13
828
      14
829
         # Execute Python code with timeout = 30 second
      15
          def safeexecutecode(code, timeout=30):
830
      16
       17
              result_queue = multiprocessing.Queue()
831
              def target():
       18
832
                  result = executecode(code)
      19
833
                  result_queue.put(result)
      20
834
      21
            process = multiprocessing.Process(target=target)
             process.start()
835
      23
              process.join(timeout)
836
              if process.is_alive():
       24
837
       25
                  process.terminate()
838
                  process.join()
839
                  return None
       27
              else:
840
      28
                  return result_queue.get() if not result_queue.empty() else
      29
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      30
843
      31 # Filtering
844
      32 DATASET_FILTERED = []
      33 for item in tqdm(DATASET):
845
              success_calling = False
       34
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              for message in item['messages']:
       35
847
                  if message['role'] == 'assistant':
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848
                       code_matches = re.findall(r'<python>(.*?)</python>',
      37
849
                          message['content'], re.DOTALL)
       38
                       if code_matches:
850
                           for code in code_matches:
       39
851
                               python_str = f'<python>{code}</python>'
       40
852
       41
                               result = safeexecutecode (code=code)
853
                               if result is None:
854
                                   message['content'] = message['content'].
                                       replace(python_str, '')
855
                               else:
       44
856
       45
                                   result_str = f'<result>{result}</result>'
857
                                   message['content'] = message['content'].
858
                                       replace(python_str, f'{python_str}{
859
                                       result_str}')
       47
                                    success_calling = True
860
              if success_calling:
861
                  DATASET_FILTERED.append(item)
862
```

### A.5 Compare Outputs from Llama3 Trained on $\mathcal C$ and ToolBridge

We notice in actual applications that the models train on C may not always use the Python output as a basis for generating further content. Here are some examples.

# Example 1: User: "Count the number of vowels in the sentence 'This is a simple sentence'." Assistant: "There are <python>sentence = 'This is a simple sentence'\nvowels = 'aeiou'\ncount = sum(1 for char in sentence if char.lower() in vowels)\nprint(count)</python><result>8</result> 5 vowels in the sentence 'This is a simple sentence'." Example 2: User: "What is the date 30 days after January 31, 2022?" Assistant: "The date 30 days after January 31, 2022 is <python>from datetime import datetime, timedelta\n\ndate = datetime.strptime('2022-01-31', '%Y-%m-%d')\nnew\_date = date + timedelta(days=30)\nresult = new\_date.strftime('%B %d, %Y')\nprint(result)</python><result>March 02, 2022</result> March 1, 2022. Note that February only has 28 days in non-leap years, so the 30th day would fall on March 1, 2022 in a leap year."

Figure 3: Inconsistency between LLMs' outputs and the returned results from Python interpreter.

By filtering out the entries in  $\mathcal{C}$  that show inconsistencies between the Python execution results and the following content, we create the ToolBridge dataset. This refined dataset is then used to train the Llama3 model, yielding outputs consistent with the Python results. Here are some examples.

# Example 1: User: "Count the number of vowels in the sentence 'This is a simple sentence'." Assistant: "There are <python>sentence = 'This is a simple sentence'\nvowels = ['a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u']\ncount = sum(1 for char in sentence.lower() if char in vowels)\nprint(count)</python><result>8</result> 8 vowels in the sentence 'This is a simple sentence'." Example 2: User: "What is the date 30 days after January 31, 2022?" Assistant: "The date 30 days after January 31, 2022 is <python>from datetime import datetime, timedelta\n\ndate = datetime.strptime('2022-01-31', '%Y-%m-%d')\nnew\_date = date + timedelta(days=30)\nresult = new\_date.strftime('%B %d, %Y')\nprint(result)</python><result>March 02, 2022</result> February 30, 2022. However, this date is not valid as February only has 28 days in a non-leap year. So, the date would be March 02, 2022."

Figure 4: Consistency between LLMs' outputs and the returned results from Python interpreter.

### A.6 LINKS TO DATA SOURCES USED IN THE DATASET POOL

To avoid any confusion regarding the datasets, the download links for each dataset are also provided in Table 11. Note that, links to all datasets from the dataset pool  $\mathcal{P}$  are presented in the table, even those not incorporated into ToolBridge.

Dataset	Source Link			
School Math 0.25M	https://huggingface.co/datasets/BelleGroup/school_math_0.25M			
ChatAlpaca	https://github.com/cascip/ChatAlpaca			
Platypus	https://huggingface.co/datasets/garage-bAInd/Open-Platypus			
ShareGPT90K	https://huggingface.co/datasets/liyucheng/ShareGPT90K			
WizardLM_Orca	https://huggingface.co/datasets/pankajmathur/WizardLM_Orca			
WizardLM_evol_instruct_70k	https://huggingface.co/datasets/WizardLMTeam/WizardLM_evol_instruct_70k			
WizardLM evolve_instruct V2	https://huggingface.co/datasets/WizardLMTeam/WizardLM_evol_instruct_V2_196k			
OpenOrca	https://huggingface.co/datasets/Open-Orca/OpenOrca			
TigerBot	https://huggingface.co/datasets/TigerResearch/sft_en,TigerResearch/sft_zh			
GPT-4all	https://huggingface.co/datasets/nomic-ai/gpt4all-j-prompt-generations			
COIG	https://huggingface.co/datasets/BAAI/COIG			
LIMA	https://huggingface.co/datasets/GAIR/lima			
AlpacaDataCleaned	https://huggingface.co/datasets/yahma/alpaca-cleaned			
GPT-4-LLM	https://github.com/Instruction-Tuning-with-GPT-4/GPT-4-LLM			
Bactrian-X	https://huggingface.co/datasets/MBZUAI/Bactrian-X			
code_instructions_120k_alpaca	https://huggingface.co/datasets/iamtarun/code_instructions_120k_alpaca			
TSI-v0	https://huggingface.co/datasets/tasksource/tasksource-instruct-v0			
Alpaca	https://github.com/tatsu-lab/stanford_alpaca			
No Robots	https://huggingface.co/datasets/HuggingFaceH4/no_robots			
Baize	https://github.com/project-baize/baize-chatbot			
LaMini-Instruction	https://huggingface.co/datasets/MBZUAI/LaMini-instruction			
tiny-codes	https://huggingface.co/datasets/nampdn-ai/tiny-codes			
self-instruct	https://github.com/yizhongw/self-instruct			
ign_clean_instruct_dataset_500k	https://huggingface.co/datasets/ignmilton/ign_clean_instruct_dataset_500k			
MOSS SFT	https://github.com/OpenMOSS/MOSS			

Table 11: Source links for the datasets utilized in the dataset pool.

Here is a brief description of each dataset,

- School Math 0.25M: It includes approximately 250,000 Chinese math problems generated by the BELLE project, along with their solution processes.
- ChatAlpaca: ChatAlpaca is a comprehensive dataset created to assist researchers in building models for instruction-following across multi-turn conversations. It expands upon the Stanford Alpaca dataset by incorporating a broader range of multi-turn instructions and their corresponding responses.
- Platypus: This dataset is designed to enhance the logical reasoning capabilities of LLMs and was instrumental in training the Platypus2 models. It combines eleven public datasets, carefully curated through keyword filtering and further refined using Sentence Transformers to exclude questions with more than 80% similarity.
- ShareGPT90K: A high quality dataset generated by using GPT-4.
- WizardLM\_Orca: Enhanced WizardLM dataset, generated using the Orca methodology.
- WizardLM\_evol\_instruct\_70k: This is the training data of WizardLM.
- WizardLM evolve\_instruct V2: The dataset contains 143K mixed evolved data derived from Alpaca and ShareGPT. It represents the latest optimized version of Evol-Instruct training data for the WizardLM model.
- OpenOrca: A collection of augmented FLAN data, generated using the methodology described in the Orca paper.
- TigerBot: Datasets used to train TigerBot include pretraining data, STF data, and domainspecific datasets such as financial research reports.
- GPT-4all: A curated mix of subsets from OIG, P3, and StackOverflow, focusing on topics such as general question-answering and customized creative queries.
- COIG: A Chinese-focused dataset encompassing domains such as general-purpose QA, Chinese exams, and coding. Its quality has been verified by human annotators.
- LIMA: High quality SFT dataset used by LIMA.

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- AlpacaDataCleaned: An improved and cleaned iteration of the Alpaca, GPT\_LLM, and GPTeacher datasets.
- GPT-4-LLM: It is generated using GPT-4 and other LLMs to produce improved pairs and data for RLHF.
- Bactrian-X: A multilingual adaptation of the Alpaca and Dolly-15K datasets.
- code\_instructions\_120k\_alpaca: Code instruction data formatted for instruction fine-tuning.
- TSI-v0: A multi-task instruction-tuning dataset derived from 475 Tasksource datasets, designed in a manner similar to the Flan and Natural Instructions datasets.
- Alpaca: It consists of 52K instruction-following examples, specifically designed for fine-tuning the Alpaca model.
- No Robots: High-quality, human-generated STF data in a single-turn format.
- Baize: A dialogue dataset generated by GPT-4 through self-talking, with questions and topics sourced from Quora, StackOverflow, and various medical knowledge bases.
- LaMini-Instruction: A dataset distilled from the FLAN collection, P3, and Self-Instruct.
- tiny-codes: This synthetic dataset comprises 1.6 million concise and clear code snippets, designed to help LLM models develop reasoning skills in both natural and programming languages. The dataset spans a wide range of programming languages, including Python, TypeScript, JavaScript, Ruby, Julia, Rust, C++, Bash, Java, C#, and Go.
- self-instruct: This dataset is generated using the methodology outlined in Self-Instruct: Aligning Language Models with Self-Generated Instructions.
- ign\_clean\_instruct\_dataset\_500k: A large-scale SFT dataset synthetically generated from a subset of Ultrachat prompts.
- MOSS SFT: A conversational dataset curated and developed by the MOSS team, with each
  entry annotated with labels for usefulness, loyalty, and harmlessness.

### A.7 TEMPLATES FOR YIELDING RANDOMQA DATASET

The complete list of templates used to generate the RandomQA dataset is as follows,

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1004
       '''RandomQAGenerator'''
1005 2
       class RandomQAGenerator():
           question_types_data_processing = [
1006<sup>3</sup>
                "Sort an array in ascending order",
1007^{4}
                "Transpose a 2D matrix",
1008 6
                "Reverse the string",
1009 7
                "Extract first N elements in a list",
10108
                "Reverse the order of elements in a list",
                "Count the frequency of one character in a string",
10119
                "Find the intersection of two strings",
1012<sup>10</sup>
               "Find the length of the longest word in a string",
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1013
               "Count the number of vowels in a string",
101413
                "Convert a list of Celsius temperatures to Fahrenheit",
101514
                "Calculate time difference between two time zones",
                "Find the leap year after a year",
101615
1017<sup>16</sup>
                "Find the most common word in a paragraph",
1018
                "Find the first recurring word in a string",
                "Extract all the numbers in a string",
1019<sub>19</sub>
                "Convert a decimal number to its binary equivalent",
102020
               "Calculate the difference between two lists",
               "Find out all the numbers that are not unique",
102121
102222
               "Flatten a 2D list into a 1D list",
                "Remove duplicates from a list",
102324
                "Filter elements in a list based on a condition",
102425
                "Merge two dictionaries into one",
102526
                "Extract all words of a specific length from a text",
                "Extract email addresses from a text",
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                "Sort a list of strings by their length",
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                "Check if two strings are anagrams",
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                "Extract hashtags from a social media post",
                "Capitalize each word in a string",
102931
                "Find the index of a substring in a string",
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1031<sup>33</sup>
                "Replace all vowels in a string with a specific character",
1032
           question_types_numerical_computation = [
103336
                "Calculate the average of an array",
103437
                "Find the maximum and minimum values of an array",
                "Calculate the dot product of two arrays",
103538
                "Generate a set of random integers and find their sum",
1036<sup>39</sup>
                "Generate the smallest prime number greater than x",
103741
                "Calculate the standard deviation of a list of floating-point
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→ numbers",

103942
                "Generate a random matrix and find its inverse",
                "Find the median of an array",
104043
1041<sup>44</sup>
                "Generate Fibonacci sequence up to n-th term",
                "Find the GCD (Greatest Common Divisor) of two numbers",
104246
                "Calculate the factorial of a number",
104347
                "Find the mode of a list of numbers",
104448
                "Calculate the sum of even numbers in a list",
1045<sup>49</sup>
                "Calculate the cumulative sum of an array",
1046<sup>50</sup>
                "Calculate cosine value",
                "Square every number in a list",
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                "Calculate the sum of squares of numbers in an array",
104853
                "Find the n-th smallest number in an array",
104954
                "Calculate the Euclidean distance between two points in a plane",
                "Calculate the compound interest given principal, rate, and
105055

    time",

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                "Calculate the perimeter of a rectangle given its length and
1052
                → width",
105357
                "Sum all the digits of a given number",
                "Calculate the area of a triangle given its base and height",
105458
                "Find the real roots of a quadratic equation",
1055<sup>59</sup>
1056<sup>60</sup>
                "Calculate the sum of the cubes of a list",
1057<sub>62</sub>
                "Round all elements in a list to two decimal places",
                "Calculate the hypotenuse of a right triangle given the other two \,
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    sides",

                "Sum all odd numbers in a list",
105963
                "Generate the smallest N primes",
106064
                "Find the sum of all elements above the main diagonal of a
1061<sup>65</sup>

→ matrix"

1062<sub>66</sub>
           ]
1063<sub>67</sub>
           def __init__(self, num_gen_qa=1000):
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                self.num_gen_qa = num_gen_qa
            '''generate'''
106569
           def generate(self):
1066<sup>70</sup>
                qa_pairs = []
1067<sub>72</sub>
                for _ in range(self.num_gen_qa):
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→ qa_pairs.append(self.randomgenone(self.question_types_data_processing))

                pickle.dump(qa_pairs,
1070<sup>74</sup>
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                → open(f'random_qa_dp_{int(time.time())}.pkl', 'wb'))
                time.sleep(1)
1072
                qa_pairs = []
107377
                for _ in range(self.num_gen_qa):
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→ qa_pairs.append(self.randomgenone(self.question_types_data_processing))

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1076<sup>79</sup>
                pickle.dump(qa_pairs,
                → open(f'random_qa_dp_{int(time.time())}.pkl', 'wb'))
1077<sub>80</sub>
                time.sleep(1)
107881
                qa_pairs = []
107982
                for _ in range(self.num_gen_qa):
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→ qa_pairs.append(self.randomgenone(self.question_types_numerical_computation))

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               pickle.dump(qa_pairs,
1083
               → open(f'random_qa_nc_{int(time.time())}.pkl', 'wb'))
               time.sleep(1)
1084^{85}
               qa_pairs = []
108586
               for _ in range(self.num_gen_qa):
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                    108889
               pickle.dump(qa_pairs,
               → open(f'random_qa_nc_{int(time.time())}.pkl', 'wb'))
1089
           '''randomgenone'''
109090
           def randomgenone(self, question_types):
1091,
               # randomly choose a question type
109293
               question_type = random.choice(question_types)
               # generate question and answer based on type
109394
               # 1. Calculate the average of an array
109495
               if question_type == "Calculate the average of an array":
1095<sup>96</sup>
                   array = [round(random.uniform(-10000, 10000)) for _ in
1096
                   \rightarrow range(random.randint(5, 15))]
109798
                   question = f"Calculate the average of the array {array} and
1098
                   → round the result to two decimal places."
                   answer = round(sum(array) / len(array), 2)
109999
1100
               # 2. Find the maximum and minimum values of an array
               elif question_type == "Find the maximum and minimum values of an
1101
               → array":
110202
                   array = [round(random.uniform(-10000, 10000)) for _ in
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                   \rightarrow range (random.randint(5, 15))]
                   max_or_min = random.choice(['maximum', 'minimum'])
110403
                   question = f"Find the {max_or_min} value of the array
1105^{104}

→ {array}, give the result of multiplying it by 7."

110605
                   answer = max(array) if max_or_min == 'maximum' else
1107

→ min(array)

110206
                   answer = answer * 7
               # 3. Calculate the dot product of two arrays
110907
               elif question_type == "Calculate the dot product of two arrays":
1110^{08}
                   length = random.randint(5, 15)
1111
                   array1 = [random.randint(20, 1000) for _ in range(length)]
1112_{11}
                   array2 = [random.randint(20, 1000) for _ in range(length)]
                   question = f"Calculate the dot product of the arrays {array1}
111312

    and {array2}."

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1115^{113}
                   answer = sum(x * y for x, y in zip(array1, array2))
               # 4. Sort an array in ascending order
1116
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               elif question_type == "Sort an array in ascending order":
1117_{16}
                   array = [random.randint(-10000, 10000)] for _ in
1118
                   → range(random.randint(5, 15))]
                   question = f"Sort the array {array} in ascending order."
111917
                   answer = sorted(array)
1120^{18}
               # 5. Generate a set of random integers and find their sum
112\underset{120}{1}
               elif question_type == "Generate a set of random integers and find
1122
               \hookrightarrow their sum":
                   array = [random.randint(1000, 100000) for _ in
112321
                   → range(random.randint(5, 15))]
1124
                   question = f"Here is a set of random integers {array}, please
1125^{122}

→ find their sum."

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                   answer = sum(array)
112724
               \# 6. Generate the smallest prime number greater than x
               elif question_type == "Generate the smallest prime number greater
112825

    than x":

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1130^{126}
                   num = random.randint(2000, 100000)
                   {\tt question} = {\tt f"Generate} the smallest prime number greater than
  \bar{1}27
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                   \hookrightarrow {num}."
1132_{28}
                   answer = nextprime(num)
               # 7. Calculate the standard deviation of a list of floating-point
113329
               \hookrightarrow numbers
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               elif question_type == "Calculate the standard deviation of a list
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→ of floating-point numbers":

113631
                    array = [round(random.uniform(10, 1000), 2) for _ in
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                    \rightarrow range (random.randint (5, 15))]
                    mean = sum(array) / len(array)
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1139^{133}
                    variance = sum((x - mean) ** 2 for x in array) / len(array)
                    question = f"Calculate the standard deviation of the array
1140
                    → {array} and round the result to two decimal places."
114135
                    answer = round(variance ** 0.5, 2)
114236
                # 8. Generate a random matrix and find its inverse
               elif question_type == "Generate a random matrix and find its
114337
                \hookrightarrow inverse":
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                    matrix_len = random.randint(2, 10)
114\overset{\cdot}{5}_{39}
                    matrix = [[random.randint(1, 1000) for _ in
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                    → range (matrix_len) ] for _ in range (matrix_len) ]
                    question = f"Here is a random matrix {matrix}, please find
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→ its inverse, you can answer with 'not invertible' if its
→ inverse does not exist."
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                    det = np.linalg.det(matrix)
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                    if int(det) != 0:
115143
                        inv_matrix = np.linalg.inv(matrix).tolist()
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                    else:
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                        inv_matrix = "not invertible"
115446
                    answer = inv_matrix
                # 9. Count the frequency of one character in a string
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               elif question_type == "Count the frequency of one character in a
1156

    string":

                    char = random.choice('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz')
115749
                    string = ''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
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                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(50, 100))) + char * 101
1159
                    question = f"Count the frequency of character {char} in the
1160

    string '{string}'."

116152
                    answer = string.count(char)
                # 10. Square every number in a list
116253
               elif question_type == "Square every number in a list":
116354
                    array = [random.randint(1, 10000) for _ in
1164^{155}
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(5, 15))]
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                    question = f"Square every number in the list {array}."
116657
                    answer = [x ** 2  for x  in array]
                # 11. Find the median of an array
116758
                elif question_type == "Find the median of an array":
116859
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                    array = [random.randint(200000, 10000000) for _ in
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(5, 15))]
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                    sorted_array = sorted(array)
1171_{62}
                    question = f"Find the median of the array {array}, give the
                    \rightarrow result of multiplying it by 9."
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117363
                    answer = sorted_array[len(sorted_array) // 2]
1174^{164}
                    answer = answer * 9
                # 12. Generate Fibonacci sequence up to n-th term
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               elif question_type == "Generate Fibonacci sequence up to n-th
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                → term":
                    n = random.randint(5, 20)
117767
                    question = f"Generate the Fibonacci sequence up to the {n}-th
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    term."

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                    fib = [0, 1]
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                    for i in range(2, n):
118171
                        fib.append(fib[-1] + fib[-2])
118272
                    answer = fib
                # 13. Transpose a 2D matrix
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               elif question_type == "Transpose a 2D matrix":
                    matrix_len = random.randint(2, 10)
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                    matrix = [[random.randint(-1000, 1000) for _ in
1186
                    → range(matrix_len)] for _ in range(matrix_len)]
                    question = f"Transpose the matrix {matrix}."
118777
                    answer = [list(row) for row in zip(*matrix)]
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                # 14. Reverse the string
1189
               elif question_type == "Reverse the string":
119Q_{81}
                    string = ''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
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                    \hookrightarrow k=random.randint(10, 20)))
                    question = f"Reverse the string {string}, and splice it
1192^{82}
                    → behind the string 'appleiphone'."
1193
                    answer = 'appleiphone' + string[::-1]
                # 15. Find the GCD (Greatest Common Divisor) of two numbers
1195_{85}
               elif question_type == "Find the GCD (Greatest Common Divisor) of
1196
                → two numbers":
119786
                    answer = 0
                    while answer <= 100:</pre>
1198
                        a, b = random.randint(200, 1000000), random.randint(200, 1000000)
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1199
                        → 1000000)
120089
                        question = f"Find the GCD of the numbers {a} and {b}."
120190
                        answer = math.gcd(a, b)
                # 16. Calculate the factorial of a number
120291
1203 192
               elif question_type == "Calculate the factorial of a number":
   193
                    num = random.randint(10, 100)
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194
                    question = f"Calculate the factorial of {num}."
120595
                    answer = math.factorial(num)
120£96
                # 17. Find the mode of a list of numbers
                elif question_type == "Find the mode of a list of numbers":
120797
1208 198
                    array = [random.randint(113333, 113343) for _ in range(15)]
                    question = f"Find the mode of the array {array}, give the
1209
                    → result of multiplying it by 3."
121_{200}
                    answer = max(set(array), key=array.count)
121201
                    answer = answer * 3
                # 18. Calculate the sum of even numbers in a list
121202
1213^{203}
               elif question_type == "Calculate the sum of even numbers in a

    list":

1214
                    array = [random.randint(1000, 1000000) for _ in
1215

    range(random.randint(10, 25))]

121205
                    question = f"Calculate the sum of even numbers in the list
                    1217
1218206
                    answer = sum(x for x in array if x % 2 == 0)
   207
                # 19. Calculate the cumulative sum of an array
121\bar{9}_{08}
               elif question_type == "Calculate the cumulative sum of an array":
122209
                    array = [random.randint(1, 10000) for _ in
1221
                    \rightarrow range (random.randint (5, 15))]
122210
                    question = f"Calculate the cumulative sum of the array
                    \hookrightarrow {array}."
1223
                    answer = [sum(array[:i+1]) for i in range(len(array))]
122\frac{1}{212}
                # 20. Extract first N elements in a list
122\frac{5}{213}
                elif question_type == "Extract first N elements in a list":
122014
                    N = random.randint(5, 10)
                    array = [random.randint(1, 10000) for _ in
122715
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(15, 35))]
1228
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                    question = f"Extract first {N} elements in the list {array}
1229
                    \rightarrow and then plus 7 for each element in the sub-list."
123917
                    answer = array[:N]
123218
                    answer = [a + 7 for a in answer]
                # 21. Calculate cosine value
123219
123320
                elif question_type == "Calculate cosine value":
                    degree = random.randint(0, 360) + 0.5
   221
123\frac{\overline{4}}{222}
                    question = f"Calculate cosine value for {degree} degree and
1235
                    → round the result to two decimal places."
                    answer = round(math.cos(math.radians(degree)), 2)
123@23
                # 22. Reverse the order of elements in a list
123724
1238 225
               elif question_type == "Reverse the order of elements in a list":
                    array = [random.randint(1, 10000) for _ in
1239
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(5, 15))]
124927
                    question = f"Reverse the order of the elements in the list
                    → {array} and then plus 3 for each element."
1241
                    answer = array[::-1]
  228
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1242
229
                    answer = [a + 3 \text{ for } a \text{ in } answer]
124\frac{5}{230}
                # 23. Calculate the sum of squares of numbers in an array
124431
               elif question_type == "Calculate the sum of squares of numbers in
1245
                \hookrightarrow an array":
                    array = [random.randint(10, 10000) for _ in
124832
                    → range(random.randint(5, 15))]
1247
                    question = f"Calculate the sum of squares of the numbers in
1248
                    1249_{34}
                    answer = sum(x ** 2 for x in array)
125235
                # 24. Find the n-th smallest number in an array
               elif question_type == "Find the n-th smallest number in an
125236
                → array":
1252
                    array = [random.randint(1000, 10000000) for _ in
1253
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(5, 15))]
125438
                    n = random.randint(1, len(array))
                    question = f"Find the {n}-th smallest number in the array
125239
                    \leftrightarrow {array}, give the result of multiplying it by 3."
1256
1257 240
                    answer = sorted(array) [n - 1] * 3
1258
1258
                # 25. Calculate the Euclidean distance between two points in a
                → plane
125942
               elif question_type == "Calculate the Euclidean distance between
1260

→ two points in a plane":

                    x1, y1 = round(random.uniform(-100, 100), 2),
126<sup>243</sup>
                    \rightarrow round(random.uniform(-100, 100), 2)
1262
                    x2, y2 = round(random.uniform(-100, 100), 2),
1263
                    \rightarrow round(random.uniform(-100, 100), 2)
126445
                    question = f"Calculate the Euclidean distance between points
1265
                    \rightarrow ({x1}, {y1}) and ({x2}, {y2}), round the result to two
                    → decimal places."
1266
                    answer = round(math.sqrt((x2 - x1)**2 + (y2 - y1)**2), 2)
1267
                # 26. Find the intersection of two strings
1268_{248}
               elif question_type == "Find the intersection of two strings":
126949
                    str1 = ''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
                    \hookrightarrow k=random.randint(50, 100)))
1270
                    str2 = ''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
127750
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(50, 100))
1272
                    question = f"Find the intersection of string '{str1}' and
1273

    string '{str2}'."

                    answer = ''.join(set(str1) & set(str2))
127452
                # 27. Calculate the compound interest given principal, rate, and
127253
                \hookrightarrow time
1276
1277254
               elif question_type == "Calculate the compound interest given
                \hookrightarrow principal, rate, and time":
1278
255
                    principal = random.randint(1000, 10000)
127956
                    rate = round(random.uniform(1, 10), 2)
128057
                    time = random.randint(1, 5)
                    question = f"Calculate the compound interest for principal
128758
                    → {principal}, rate {rate}%, and time {time} years, round
1282
                    \rightarrow the result to two decimal places."
128359
                    answer = round(principal * (1 + rate/100)**time, 2)
128260
                # 28. Find the length of the longest word in a string
               elif question_type == "Find the length of the longest word in a
128261

    string":

1286
                    words = [''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
128762
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(101, 200))) for _ in
1288
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(5, 15))]
1289_{63}
                    string = ' '.join(words)
                    question = f"Find the length of the longest word in the
129264

    string '{string}'."

1291
1292 265
                    answer = max(len(word) for word in words)
                # 29. Count the number of vowels in a string
  266
1293
               elif question_type == "Count the number of vowels in a string":
129468
                    string = ''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(20, 50))) + 'a' * 101
1295
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1297
                    question = f"Count the number of vowels in the string
                    → '{string}'."
129270
                    answer = sum(1 for char in string if char in 'aeiou')
129971
                # 30. Convert a list of Celsius temperatures to Fahrenheit
               elif question_type == "Convert a list of Celsius temperatures to
130<sup>2</sup>72
                → Fahrenheit":
1301
                    celsius_list = [random.randint(-20, 40) for _ in range(5)]
                    question = f"Convert the list of Celsius temperatures
1303
                    \hookrightarrow {celsius_list} to Fahrenheit, round the result to two
1304

→ decimal places."

                    answer = [round(c * 9/5 + 32, 2)] for c in celsius_list]
130275
                # 31. Calculate time difference between two time zones
1306
               elif question_type == "Calculate time difference between two time
130\overset{\tilde{2}77}{7}

    zones":

130278
                   tz1, tz2 = random.sample(pytz.all_timezones, 2)
130279
                   now = datetime.datetime.now()
                   time1 = pytz.timezone(tz1).localize(now)
131280
131 181
                   time2 = pytz.timezone(tz2).localize(now)
1311
282
1312
283
                   time_difference = abs((time1 - time2).total_seconds())
                   question = f'Calculate time difference beween {tz1} and {tz2}
1313
                    → in seconds.'
131484
                   answer = time_difference
                # 32. Find the leap year after a year
131385
1316286
               elif question_type == "Find the leap year after a year":
   287
                   year = random.randint(1900, 2100)
1317
                    while calendar.isleap(year):
131_{289}^{\circ}
                       year = random.randint(1900, 2100)
131290
                    question = f"Find the leap year after year {year}."
                    answer = next(y for y in range(year + 1, year + 10000) if
132891
                    \hookrightarrow calendar.isleap(y))
1321
292
                # 33. Find the most common word in a paragraph
1322_{93}
               elif question_type == "Find the most common word in a paragraph":
132394
                   words = ['apple', 'banana', 'orange', 'grape', 'pear',
                   → 'hello', 'iphone', 'newspaper']
paragraph = ' '.join(random.choices(words, k=30))
1324
132395
                    question = f"Find the most common word in the paragraph
1326<sup>296</sup>
                    \hookrightarrow '{paragraph}', concatenate it with the second common word
1327
                    132897
                   answer =
                    → Counter(paragraph.lower().split()).most_common(2)[0][0] +
1329
                    1330
1331^{298}
                \# 34. Calculate the perimeter of a rectangle given its length and
                \hookrightarrow width
1332
               elif question_type == "Calculate the perimeter of a rectangle
1333

→ given its length and width":

                   length, width = random.randint(100, 10000),
133400
                    \hookrightarrow random.randint(100, 10000)
1335
                    question = f"Calculate the perimeter of a rectangle with
1336
                    → length {length} and width {width}."
1337
                    answer = 2 * (length + width)
133803
                # 35. Sum all the digits of a given number
               elif question_type == "Sum all the digits of a given number":
133304
134ð<sup>05</sup>
                    num = int(str(random.randint(100, 99999)) +
                    → '9999999999999')
1341
                    question = f"Sum all the digits of the number {num}."
1342
                    answer = sum(int(digit) for digit in str(num))
134308
               # 36. Calculate the area of a triangle given its base and height
               elif question_type == "Calculate the area of a triangle given its
134409
                ⇔ base and height":
1345
1346 310
                   base = round(random.uniform(100, 500), 2)
                   height = round(random.uniform(100, 500), 2)
   311
1347
                    question = f"Calculate the area of a triangle with base
1348
                    \rightarrow {base} and height {height}, round the result to two

→ decimal places."

1349
                   answer = round(0.5 * base * height, 2)
  313
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314
                # 37. Find the real roots of a quadratic equation
1351
               elif question_type == "Find the real roots of a quadratic
1352
                → equation":
135316
                    a = round(random.uniform(10, 200), 2)
                    b = round(random.uniform(10, 200), 2)
135417
1355 318
                    c = round(random.uniform(10, 200), 2)
                    question = f"Find the real roots of the quadratic equation
1356
                    \leftrightarrow {a}x^2 + {b}x + {c} = 0, round the result to two decimal
1357
                    → places."
135320
                    discriminant = b**2 - 4*a*c
                    if discriminant > 0:
135321
                        root1 = (-b + math.sqrt(discriminant)) / (2*a)
1360^{322}
                        root2 = (-b - math.sqrt(discriminant)) / (2*a)
1361
                        answer = (round(root1, 2), round(root2, 2))
136225
                    elif discriminant == 0:
136326
                        root = -b / (2*a)
                        answer = round(root, 2)
136427
1365
                    else:
                        answer = "no real roots"
1366
                # 38. Calculate the sum of the cubes of a list
136731
               elif question_type == "Calculate the sum of the cubes of a list":
                    sequence = [random.randint(100, 10000) for _ in
136832
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(5, 15))]
1369
                    question = f"Calculate the sum of the cubes of the list
1370^{333}
                    137\underset{334}{1}
                    answer = sum([n**3 for n in sequence])
137_{35}
                # 39. Round all elements in a list to two decimal places
                elif question_type == "Round all elements in a list to two
137336
                \hookrightarrow decimal places":
1374
                    array = [random.uniform(100, 10000) for _ in
1375
                    \rightarrow range (random.randint (5, 15))
137638
                    question = f"Round all elements in the list {array} to two
1377

→ decimal places."

137839
                    answer = [round(num, 2) for num in array]
                # 40. Find the first recurring word in a string
137340
                elif question_type == "Find the first recurring word in a
1380341

    string":
1381
                    words = [''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
1382
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(5, 15))) for _ in
1383

    range(random.randint(5, 10))]

                    words = words * 3
138443
1385
                    random.shuffle(words)
                    paragraph = ' '.join(words)
1386
346
                    question = f"Find the first recurring word in the paragraph
1387
                    \hookrightarrow '{paragraph}', concatenate it with the second recurring

→ word in this paragraph."

1388
                    def _find_recurring_words(paragraph):
138947
139\overset{3}{0}^{48}
                        words = paragraph.lower().split()
                        seen = set()
1391
                        first, second = None, None
139251
                        for word in words:
                             if word in seen:
139352
139453
                                 if first is None:
1395^{354}
                                      first = word
                                 elif second is None and word != first:
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                                      second = word
139757
                                     break
                            seen.add(word)
139358
139359
                        return first + second
1400 360
                    answer = _find_recurring_words(paragraph)
                # 41. Calculate the hypotenuse of a right triangle given the
1401
                \hookrightarrow other two sides
140362
               elif question_type == "Calculate the hypotenuse of a right

→ triangle given the other two sides":

1403
                    side1 = random.randint(100, 20000)
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                   side2 = random.randint(100, 20000)
1405
                   question = f"Calculate the hypotenuse of a right triangle
1406
                   \hookrightarrow with sides {side1} and {side2}, round the result to two
1407
                   → decimal places."
140866
                   answer = round(math.sqrt(side1**2 + side2**2), 2)
1409 67
               # 42. Extract all the numbers in a string
               elif question_type == "Extract all the numbers in a string":
1410
                   string1 = random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
1411
                   \rightarrow k=random.randint(20, 50))
                   string2 = random.choices('0123456789', k=random.randint(20,
141270
1413

→ 50))
1414^{371}
                   string = string1 + string2
                   random.shuffle(string)
1415
                   string = ''.join(string)
141674
                   question = f"Extract all the numbers in the string '{string}'
1417
                   → in order and concatenate them."
                   answer = ''.join(re.findall(r'\d+', string))
141875
141976
               # 43. Convert a decimal number to its binary equivalent
               elif question_type == "Convert a decimal number to its binary
377
1420
               \hookrightarrow equivalent":
142378
                   num = random.randint(1000, 1000000)
                   question = f"Convert the decimal number {num} to its binary
142379

→ equivalent."
1423
142480
                   answer = bin(num)[2:]
  381
               # 44. Calculate the difference between two lists
1425
               elif question_type == "Calculate the difference between two
1426

    lists":

                   list1 = [random.randint(1, 50) for _ in range(10)]
142383
                   list2 = [random.randint(1, 50) for _ in range(10)]
142884
                   question = f"Calculate the difference between the lists
1429 385
                   1430
                   answer = list(set(list1) - set(list2))
143387
               # 45. Sum all odd numbers in a list
               elif question_type == "Sum all odd numbers in a list":
143388
                   array = [random.randint(1000, 1000000) for _ in
143389
                   → range(random.randint(5, 15))]
1434
                   question = f"Sum all the odd numbers in the list {array}."
1435
                   answer = sum(x for x in array if x % 2 != 0)
143692
               # 46. Find out all the numbers that are not unique
               elif question_type == "Find out all the numbers that are not
143393
               → unique":
1438
1439 394
                   array = [random.randint(20, 35) for _ in range(20)]
                   question = f"Find out all the numbers that are not unique in
395
1440
                   144396
                   answer = [num for num, count in Counter(array).items() if
1442
                   \rightarrow count > 1]
               # 47. Flatten a 2D list into a 1D list
144397
               elif question_type == "Flatten a 2D list into a 1D list":
1444 398
                   array_len = random.randint(2, 10)
144\frac{1}{2}
                   array = [[random.randint(1, 1000) for _ in range(array_len)]
1446
                   → for _ in range(array_len)]
                   question = f"Flatten the 2D list {array} into a 1D list."
144701
144802
                   answer = [item for sublist in array for item in sublist]
144903
               # 48. Remove duplicates from a list
               elif question_type == "Remove duplicates from a list":
  404
1450
                   array = [random.randint(1, 20) for _ in range(15)]
145406
                   while len(array) == len(set(array)):
                       array = [random.randint(1, 20) for _ in range(15)]
145407
                   question = f"Remove duplicates from the list {array}."
145408
145409
                   answer = list(set(array))
               # 49. Generate the smallest N primes
  410
1455
               elif question_type == "Generate the smallest N primes":
145@12
                   n = random.randint(5, 20)
145713
                   primes = []
                   candidate = 2
  414
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1458
415
                   while len(primes) < n:</pre>
1459
                        if all(candidate % i != 0 for i in range(2, int(candidate
1460
                        \leftrightarrow ** 0.5) + 1)):
146417
                            primes.append(candidate)
146418
                        candidate += 1
1463 19
                   question = f"Generate the smallest {n} prime numbers."
                   answer = primes
146<u>4</u>
               # 50. Find the sum of all elements above the main diagonal of a
1465
                   matrix
146422
               elif question_type == "Find the sum of all elements above the
               → main diagonal of a matrix":
1467
                   matrix_len = random.randint(2, 10)
1468
                   matrix = [[random.randint(1000, 1000000) for _ in
1469
                   → range (matrix_len) ] for _ in range (matrix_len) ]
147025
                   question = f"Find the sum of all elements above the main
1471
                   → diagonal of the matrix {matrix}."
                   answer = sum(matrix[i][j] for i in range(matrix_len) for j in
147426
                    \rightarrow range(i + 1, matrix_len))
1473
427
               # 51. Filter elements in a list based on a condition
147\underset{428}{4}
               elif question_type == "Filter elements in a list based on a
1475
               \hookrightarrow condition":
147429
                   array = [random.randint(-100, 100) for _ in
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(10, 20))]
1477
1478 430
                   condition = random.randint(-50, 50)
                   question = f"Filter all elements in the array {array} that
1479
                    → are greater than {condition}."
148Q<sub>32</sub>
                   answer = [x for x in array if x > condition]
               # 52. Merge two dictionaries into one
148433
               elif question_type == "Merge two dictionaries into one":
148234
                   dict1 = \{chr(65 + i): random.randint(1, 100) for i in
1483 435
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(10, 20))}
148436
                   dict2 = \{chr(67 + i) : random.randint(1, 100) for i in
1485

    range(random.randint(10, 20))}

148637
                   question = f"Merge the dictionaries {dict1} and {dict2},
                   → summing values for duplicate keys."
1487
                   answer = \{k: dict1.get(k, 0) + dict2.get(k, 0)  for k  in
1488

    set(dict1) | set(dict2)}

1489
               # 53. Extract all words of a specific length from a text
149940
               elif question_type == "Extract all words of a specific length
1491
                → from a text":
                   text = '
149241
                    → '.join([''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz',
1493
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(5, 10))) for _ in
1494
                    → range(random.randint(10, 20))])
149542
                   length = random.randint(5, 10)
                   question = f"Find all words in the text '{text}' that have
149443
                   1497
                   answer = [word for word in text.split() if len(word) ==
1498
                    → length]
149945
               # 54. Extract email addresses from a text
150046
               elif question_type == "Extract email addresses from a text":
                   answer = [Faker().email() for _ in range(random.randint(2,
150447
                   \hookrightarrow 4))]
1502
                   text = answer +
1503448
                    1504
                    \hookrightarrow k=random.randint(5, 10))) for _ in
1505
                    → range(random.randint(10, 20))]
                   random.shuffle(text)
150449
                   text = ' '.join(text)
150450
1508<sup>451</sup>
                   question = f"Find all email addresses in the text: '{text}'"
               # 55. Sort a list of strings by their length
  452
1509<sub>453</sub>
               elif question_type == "Sort a list of strings by their length":
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1512
                    strings =
1513
                    → [''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
1514
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(5, 20))) for _ in
1515

    range(random.randint(10, 20))]

                    question = f"Sort the list {strings} by the length of each
151<sup>655</sup>
                    \hookrightarrow string."
1517
456
                    answer = sorted(strings, key=len)
                # 56. Check if two strings are anagrams
151958
               elif question_type == "Check if two strings are anagrams":
152459
                    string1 = random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
1521
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(10, 20))
                    string2 = random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
1522460
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(10, 20)) if random.random() > 0.5 else
1523

→ string1

152461
                    random.shuffle(string2)
                    string1 = ''.join(string1)
152462
                    string2 = ''.join(string2)
152463
                    question = f"Check if '{string1}' and '{string2}' are
152464

→ anagrams."

1528
465
                    answer = sorted(string1) == sorted(string2)
               # 57. Extract hashtags from a social media post
               elif question_type == "Extract hashtags from a social media
153467
                → post":
1531
                    topic = [''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
1532468
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(5, 10))) for _ in
1533

    range(random.randint(10, 20))]

153469
                    hashtags = ['#' +
                    → ''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
1535
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(5, 10))) for _ in
1536
                    \rightarrow range(random.randint(2, 5))]
1537
                    text = topic + hashtags
153871
                    random.shuffle(text)
                   text = ' '.join(text)
1539_{72}
                    question = f"Extract all hashtags from the post: '{text}'"
154473
                    answer = [word for word in text.split() if
154474
                    → word.startswith("#")]
1542
               # 58. Capitalize each word in a string
1543
476
               elif question_type == "Capitalize each word in a string":
154477
                    text = '
                    → '.join([''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz',
1545
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(5, 10))) for _ in
1546
                    → range(random.randint(10, 20))])
1547
478
                    question = f"Capitalize each word in the string '{text}'."
1548
479
                    answer = text.title()
1549_{80}
                # 59. Find the index of a substring in a string
               elif question_type == "Find the index of a substring in a
155481

    string":

1551
                    string =
1552482
                    → [''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
1553
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(5, 10))) for _ in
                    \rightarrow range (random.randint (10, 20))]
                    substring = random.choice(string)
string = ' '.join(string)
155483
1556^{84}
                    question = f"Find the index of the substring '{substring}' in
1557485
                    1558
                    answer = string.find(substring)
1559_{87}
                # 60. Replace all vowels in a string with a specific character
               elif question_type == "Replace all vowels in a string with a
                1561
                    string =
1562489
                    → '.join([''.join(random.choices('abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz',
1563
                    \rightarrow k=random.randint(5, 10))) for _ in
1564
                       range(random.randint(10, 20))])
                    replacement = random.choice(["*", "$", "%", "&", "#", "@"])
156490
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1566
491
                    question = f"Replace all vowels in the string '{string}' with
1567
                    → '{replacement}'."
156892
                    answer = ''.join([replacement if char.lower() in "aeiou" else
1569
                    # not defined question
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157<sup>494</sup>
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495
               else:
                    raise ValueError(f'{question_type} is not defined')
157296
               # format and return
157497
               random_qa = {'question': question, 'answer': answer}
157498
               return random_qa
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### A.8 PROMPTS FOR CONSTRUTING FACT

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- 1622 We construct the FACT datasets by prompting GPT-40 with, 1623 1. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1624 question topic should be related with Geography. Return them 1625 as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 1626 2. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1627 question topic should be related with History. Return them as 1628  $\hookrightarrow$  a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 1629 3. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1630 → question topic should be related with Science. Return them as 1631  $\rightarrow$  a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 1632 4. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1633  $\,$  question topic should be related with Technology. Return them 1634  $\hookrightarrow$  as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 5. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1635  $\hookrightarrow$  question topic should be related with Mathematics. Return them 1636 as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 1637 6. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1638  $\hookrightarrow$  question topic should be related with Culture and Arts. Return 1639  $\hookrightarrow$  them as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 1640 7. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1641  $\hookrightarrow$  question topic should be related with Sports. Return them as a 1642  $\rightarrow$  Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 1643 8. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1644 → question topic should be related with Politics. Return them as 1645  $\rightarrow$  a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 9. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1646 → question topic should be related with Language and Grammar. 1647 Return them as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 1648 words). 1649 10. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1650 question topic should be related with Current Affairs. Return 1651 them as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 11. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1653  $\,\,\hookrightarrow\,\,$  question topic should be related with Entertainment. Return 1654  $\rightarrow$  them as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 words). 1655 12. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1656
  - question topic should be related with Medicine and Health.
- $\rightarrow$  Return them as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 1657  $\rightarrow$  words). 1658
- 13. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1659 question topic should be related with Economics and Business. Return them as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 1661 words).
- 1662 14. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1663 question topic should be related with Religion and Mythology. 1664 Return them as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5 1665
- words). 1666 15. Generate 100 Q&A pairs for LLM factual retrieval testing. The 1667 question topic should be related with General Knowledge.
- 1668 Return them as a Python dictionary, with concise answers (3-5  $\rightarrow$  words). 1669

### A.9 Some Promising results

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Here, we show some promising results and compare them with other LLMs.

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                Prompt: What is the 121st prime number?
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                Response [Llama3-8B SFT on ToolBridge]: The 121st prime number is 661. \n\nTo find the 121st prime number, we can use the Sieve of Eratosthenes
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                algorithm. This algorithm starts with a list of all the integers from 2 to 10000 (or any other upper limit), and then iterates through the list, marking as
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                composite (not prime) all multiples of the first prime number. It then moves on to the next unmarked number, which is the next prime number, and
                repeats the process. This continues until all the numbers in the list have been marked as composite or prime.
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                Response [Llama3.1-70B-IT]: The 121st prime number is 691.
1683
                Response [GPT-4, Web UI]: The 121st prime number is 661.
1684
                Response [GPT-40, Web UI]: The 121st prime number is 661.
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                Response [Gemma2-27B-IT]: The 121st prime number is 607. You can find prime numbers using primality tests or by looking them up in a list of prime numbers. 🔀
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                Prompt: What is the cosine of 20.4 degrees?
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                                                                                               nately 0.9372819894918915. 🤜
                Response [Llama3-8B SFT on ToolBridge]: The cosine of 20.4 degrees is ap
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                Response [Llama3.1-70B-IT]: The cosine of 20.4 degrees is approximately 0.9387.
1690
                Response [GPT-4, Web UI]: The cosine of 20.4 degrees is approximately 0.9362.
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                Response [GPT-40, Web UI]: The cosine of 20.4 degrees is approximately 0.937.
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                Response [Gemma2-278-IT]: You'll need a calculator to find the cosine of 20.4 degrees. Here's how: Make sure your calculator is in degree mode. Enter "cos 20.4"
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                and press enter. The result will be the cosine of 20.4 degrees. Let me know if you have any other questions.
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                Prompt: What is the area of a triangle with base 102.4 and height 215.9?
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                Response [Llama3-8B SFT on ToolBridge]: The area of a triangle is given by the formula: A = (1/2) * base * height. \n\nln this case, the base is 102.4
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                and the height is 215.9. \n\nSubstituting these values into the formula, we get: \n\nA = (1/2) * 102.4 * 215.9 = 11054.0800000000002.
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                Response [Llama3.1-708-IT]: To find the area of a triangle, we use the formula: \n\nArea = (base × height) / 2\n\nGiven base = 102.4 and height = 215.9, we can
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                plug in these values:\n\nArea = (102.4 × 215.9) / 2\n\nFirst. let's calculate the product of base and height:\n102.4 × 215.9 = 22123.36\n\nNow, divide the result by
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                2:\n22123.36 / 2 = 11061.68\n\nSo, the area of the triangle is approximately 11061.68 square units.
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                Response [GPT-4, Web UI]: To find the area of a triangle, you can use the formula: Area = 1/2 × base × height. Plugging in the given values you provided: Area = 1/2
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                × 102.4 × 215.9 = 11041.92 square units. Therefore, the area of the triangle is 11041.92 square units.
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                Response [GPT-40, Web UI]: The area of a triangle is calculated using the formula: Area = 1/2 × base × height. Plugging in the given values: Area = 1/2 × 102.4 ×
                215.9 = 11053.12. So, the area of the triangle is 11,053.12 square units.
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                Response [Gemma2-278-IT]: The area of a triangle is calculated as (base * height) / 2. Therefore, the area of a triangle with base 102.4 and height 215.9 is: (102.4 *
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                215.9) / 2 = 11054.08.
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                Prompt: Which is the higher value of 9.9 or 9.11
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                Response [Llama3-8B SFT on ToolBridge]: The higher value between 9.9 and 9.11 is 9.9.
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                                                                                                  es. This is because 9.9 is equivalent to 9.90, which is greater than 9.11.
                Response [GPT-40, Web UI]: 9.9 is higher than
1709
                Response [Gemini, Web UI]: 9.11 is the higher value.
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                Prompt: Find the GCD of 270 and 192.
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                Response [Llama3-8B SFT on ToolBridge]: The GCD (Greatest Com
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                Response [GPT-40, Web UI]: The GCD (Great
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                Response [Gemini, Web UI]: The GCD of 270 and 192 is 12.
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Figure 5: Some promising results from LLMs trained on ToolBridge.

### 1728 A.10 EXTEND TO NATURAL WEB DATA 1729 1730 The proposed pipeline in Section 3 can be seamlessly adapted to process natural web data by lever-1731 aging LLMs to convert the data into a QA format, facilitating the extraction of valuable entries. 1732 For instance, Google's C4 dataset can be transformed into a QA format by providing the data to 1733 GPT-4 using the following example prompt: 1734 1735 1736 You are an expert assistant tasked with creating concise and 1737 → relevant Question-Answer (QA) pairs based on the content $\rightarrow$ of a given web page. Follow these guidelines: 1738 1739 1. Content Focus: Read the provided web page content carefully 1740 $\rightarrow$ and base all questions and answers solely on the 1741 information within the page. Do not include external 1742 $\rightarrow$ knowledge. 1743 2. Question Types: Include a mix of factual, explanatory, and 1744 inferential questions to test comprehension and 1745 → understanding. 1746 3. Question Structure: Ensure questions are clear and 1747 specific. Use diverse formats such as: What/Why/How 1748 $\rightarrow$ questions. 4. Answer Structure: Provide direct, accurate, and concise 1749 → answers. Avoid ambiguous or overly lengthy responses. 1750 1751 Example Web Content: 1752 1753 Coffee is one of the most popular beverages in the world. It 1754 $\hookrightarrow$ is made from roasted coffee beans, which are seeds of the 1755 $\hookrightarrow$ Coffea plant. A standard cup of coffee contains 1756 approximately 95 milligrams of caffeine. Studies suggest 1757 that consuming 400 milligrams of caffeine per day is $\hookrightarrow$ generally safe for most adults. Many people drink coffee 1758 1759 → daily as part of their morning routine, with some $\hookrightarrow$ consuming 2 to 4 cups per day depending on their 1760 → preference. 1761 1762 Example Output: 1763 - Question 1: How much caffeine is in a standard cup of 1765 → coffee? 1766 - Answer: A standard cup of coffee contains approximately 95 1767 → milligrams of caffeine. 1768 - Question 2: If a person drinks 3 cups of coffee, how much 1769 → caffeine do they consume? 1770 - Answer: They consume 285 milligrams of caffeine (95 $\star$ 3 = $\rightarrow$ 285). 1771 - Question 3: If a person drinks 2 cups of coffee in the 1772 → morning and 1 in the evening, how much caffeine do they 1773 → consume in total? 1774 - Answer: They consume 285 milligrams of caffeine (95 $\star$ 2 + 95 1775 $\rightarrow$ = 285). 1776 - Question 4: How many cups of coffee would a person need to 1777 → drink to consume exactly 400 milligrams of caffeine? 1778 - Answer: They would need to drink approximately 4.2 cups of 1779 $\rightarrow$ coffee (400 ÷ 95 = 4.2).

- Question 5: If a person reduces their daily coffee intake

→ from 4 cups to 2 cups, how much less caffeine do they

→ consume in a day?

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Some example output results are shown below,

### Source data:

 Schwarz has been the president of the Greater Cleveland Film Commission for over ten years. He has over thirty years of experience in the film and television industries, working predominantly as a location manager and producer. His work includes "Wild At Heart," "My Name Is Earl," "Entourage," "The Comeback," "From the Earth to the Moon" and Tom Hanks and Steven Spielberg's "Band of Brothers," for which Ivan won a Golden Globe. The Film Commission is the only nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing jobs and economic impact to Northeast Ohio through the growth of a sustainable media production industry. Since passing the Ohio Motion Picture Tax Credit in 2009, more than 110 productions have shot in Cleveland, including "The Avengers," "Captain America: The Winter Soldier," and most recently, Matthew McConaughey's "White Boy Rick" and Helen Hunt's "I See You".

### Generated QA:

- Ouestion1: How long has Schwarz been the president of the Greater Cleveland Film Commission?
- Answer: Schwarz has been the president of the Greater Cleveland Film Commission for over ten years.
- Question2: What is the primary goal of the Greater Cleveland Film Commission?
- Answer: The primary goal of the Greater Cleveland Film Commission is to bring jobs and economic impact to Northeast Ohio through the growth of a sustainable media production industry.
- Question3: What significant legislation related to film production was passed in Ohio in 2009?
- Answer: The Ohio Motion Picture Tax Credit was passed in 2009.

### Source data

Earn monthly interest on our Citibank Time Deposits (also known as Fixed Deposits). What's more, you get to enjoy the flexibility of making partial withdrawals before maturity date of your Time Deposit. Partial withdrawals in multiples of RM5,000 before the maturity date. Option to pledge your Time Deposit for overdraft facility. Continue to earn the original interest rate with your remaining balance. View your Citibank® Time Deposit accounts across participating countries with a single login via Online Global View. Online account inquiries and banking transactions via Citibank® or Citigold® Online. Make banking inquiries anytime, anywhere via live e-Chat, 'Call Me' function and 20 seconds1 call pickup. Eligible for protection by PIDM\*\*. \* Monthly interest is only available for minimum deposit of RM50,000 and for a minimum tenure of 6 months. \*\* Click here for more details on PIDM protection. 1From the moment you press 0 to speak to a CitiPhone officer. For the Citibank Account Terms and Conditions, click here.

### Generated QA:

- Question1: If a customer deposits RM100,000 into a Citibank Time Deposit account, how many partial withdrawals of RM5,000 can they make before the maturity date?
- Answer: They can make 20 partial withdrawals of RM5,000 each (RM100,000  $\div$  RM5,000 = 20).
- Question2: A customer earns monthly interest on a Time Deposit of RM200,000 with an interest rate of 2% per annum. How much interest will they earn in one month?
- Answer: The monthly interest is RM333.33 (RM200,000  $\times$  2%  $\div$  12 = RM333.33).
- Question3: If a customer deposits RM75,000 for 6 months with an interest rate of 3% per annum, what is the total interest earned at the end of the tenure?
- Answer: The total interest earned is RM1,125 (RM75,000  $\times$  3%  $\div$  12  $\times$  6 = RM1,125).
- Question4: A customer deposits RM120,000 for 12 months with a 4% annual interest rate. How much interest will they earn in total?
- Answer: The total interest earned is RM4,800 (RM120,000  $\times$  4% = RM4,800).
- Question5: If the monthly interest on a Time Deposit of RM60,000 is RM100, what is the annual interest rate?
- Answer: The annual interest rate is 2% (RM100  $\times$  12  $\div$  RM60,000 = 2%).

Figure 6: Sample outcomes of converting natural web data from Google's C4 dataset into QA format with the help of GPT-4.

### A.11 CONSTRUCT FACT WITH GEMINI

In Section 4.4, we employ GPT-4o, together with the prompts outlined in Appendix A.8, to construct the FACT dataset, which is utilized to evaluate the extent to which ToolBridge enhances the LLMs' capability for factual retrieval. Here, we also use Google Gemini to yield three batches of the FACT datasets termed Gemini-FACT-B(n), with each batch corresponding sequentially to the five prompts outlined in Appendix A.8. Table 12 demonstrates the evaluation results.

Models	SFT data	Gemini-FACT-B1	Gemini-FACT-B2	Gemini-FACT-B3
Llama3-8B	-	75.8	52.5	60.3
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge§	83.4	61.7	66.2
Llama3-8B-Lora	ToolBridge	89.2	63.3	71.2
Mistral-7B	-	77.5	59.2	67.8
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge§	85.8	61.5	70.4
Mistral-7B-Lora	ToolBridge	90.8	64.7	74.7

Table 12: Experimental results on Gemini-FACT under zero-shot setting.

We can observe that the models trained on ToolBridge consistently achieve superior performance.

### A.12 DISTRIBUTION OF PYTHON PACKAGES ADOPTED IN TOOLBRIDGE

Here, we provide the distribution of all Python packages used in ToolBridge, as shown in Table

Python Package	Frequency	Python Package	Frequency	Python Package	Frequency
math	2669	re	2234	sympy	1838
nltk	1616	datetime	1512	langdetect	489
numpy	271	collections	248	string	246
fractions	209	pandas	205	itertools	121
statistics	118	sklearn	92	io	65
requests	54	difflib	35	calendar	34
bs4	32	os	31	random	23
functools	23	urllib	20	json	17
matplotlib	12	scipy	10	operator	8
xml	8	base64	7	codecs	6
sys	5	PIL	5	bisect	4
csv	3	subprocess	3	cmath	3
time	2	pytz	2	ipaddress	2
decimal	2	unicodedata	2	dateutil	2
pytest	2	enum	2	heapq	2
keyword	1	typing	1	inspect	1
configparser	1	struct	1	ctypes	1
networkx	1	lxml	1	pylab	1
cycler	1	torch	1	html	1
textwrap	1	ast	1	locale	1

Table 13: The usage frequency of all Python packages involved in ToolBridge.