

000 MathNet: A GLOBAL MULTIMODAL BENCHMARK FOR 001 MATHEMATICAL REASONING AND RETRIEVAL 002 003 004

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007 ABSTRACT

012 Mathematical problem solving remains a challenging test of reasoning for large
013 language and multimodal models, yet existing benchmarks are limited in size,
014 language coverage, and task diversity. We introduce *MathNet*, a large-scale, high-
015 quality, multilingual, and multimodal dataset of Olympiad-level problems. MathNet
016 spans 40 countries, 10 languages, and two decades of competitions, comprising
017 **17,512 expert-authored problems with solutions** across diverse domains.

018 *MathNet* supports three tasks: (i) *mathematical comprehension*, (ii) *mathematical*
019 *retrieval*, an underexplored but essential capability, and (iii) *Math RAG* to test how
020 *retrieval augmented generation can improve problem solving*. For retrieval, we
021 construct 39K pairs of mathematically equivalent problems to enable equivalence-
022 based evaluation, in addition **70 pairs of expert curated**. Experimental results show
023 that even state-of-the-art reasoning models (76.8% for GPT-5 and 46.8% for Claude
024 4.5 Opus) are challenged, while embedding models struggle to retrieve equivalent
025 problems. **Finally, we show that LLM performance in RAG-based math problem**
026 **solving varies noticeably with the quality of retrieved context, which shows that**
027 **more community effort is needed in this domain.**

028 *MathNet* provides the largest high-quality Olympiad dataset and the first retrieval
029 benchmark for problem equivalence. We publicly release both the dataset and
030 benchmark at <http://mathnet.netlify.app>.

a) MathNet Dataset

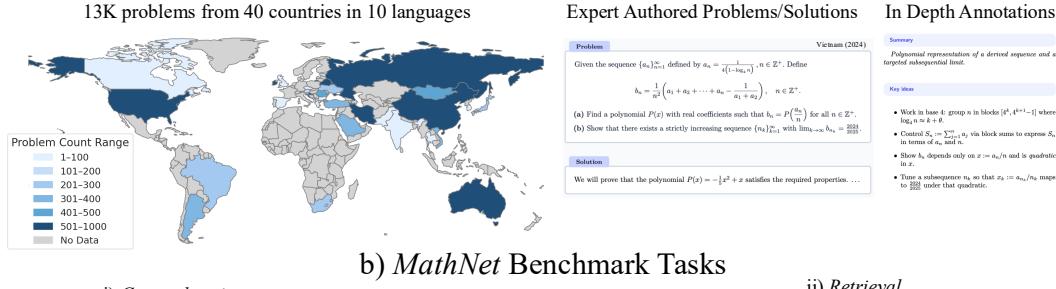


Figure 1: **Overview of MathNet.** (a) Dataset of 17K Olympiad-level problems across 40 countries, 10 languages, and 700 competitions with expert-authored solutions. (b) Benchmark tasks: comprehension (solution generation) and retrieval (equivalence-based problem matching).

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1 INTRODUCTION

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 056 Recent LLMs and LMMs have made rapid strides on mathematical reasoning benchmarks, from
 057 grade-school arithmetic to competition mathematics (Cobbe et al., 2021; Hendrycks et al.; Achiam
 058 et al., 2023). This year, public reports claimed unprecedented gold-medal-level performance at
 059 the International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) by advanced AI systems (Luong et al., 2025;
 060 Zhihong Shao, 2025). Moreover, there have been multiple incidents of AI systems reportedly solving
 061 open mathematical problems (Nie et al., 2025; Feldman & Karbasi, 2025).

062 Despite these advances, progress in the research community remains constrained by the lack of open,
 063 high quality, and diverse benchmarks. Existing Olympiad-level datasets are typically drawn from
 064 community platforms such as AoPS and are predominantly sourced from few competitions in the U.S
 065 and China, and they are small in scale (see Table 1). To address this gap, we present *MathNet*: the
 066 first large-scale, multilingual, and multimodal dataset of Olympiad-level problems. Curated over two
 067 decades from 40 countries and spanning 10 languages, *MathNet* comprises 17,512 problems with
 068 official solutions written by experts across a wide range of mathematical domains. Its scale, diversity,
 069 and expert quality provide an unprecedented foundation for exploring mathematical generalization
 070 and analogical reasoning.

071 Building on this foundation, we focus on two main tasks *Math Comprehension*: the ability of solving
 072 mathematical problems similar to all previous benchmark, and *Math Retrieval*, a fundamental yet
 073 underexplored capability. *Math Retrieval* is the ability of retrieving "mathematically" equivalent or
 074 related problems. Unlike existing semantic retrieval (Izacard et al., 2021; Khattab & Zaharia, 2020;
 075 Formal et al., 2021), mathematical retrieval must be sensitive to symbolic structure, invariances,
 076 and transformations. For example, the problem of solving $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ is equivalent to one that
 077 poses $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = 1$, or to a geometric formulation constraining a 2D vector to unit norm $|u|^2 = 1$.
 078 Crucially, however, these are not equivalent to solving $x + y = 1$. Current retrieval models fail to
 079 make this distinction: due to superficial lexical overlap (Das et al., 2025), they often rank a problem
 080 containing $x + y = 1$ as closer to $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ than to the truly equivalent formulations.

081 This challenge is evident in mathematical practice. In the IMO pipeline, more than a hundred
 082 countries propose original problems annually; a shortlist is debated and six are ultimately selected.
 083 Despite rigorous vetting, near-duplicates and thematic overlaps occasionally emerge, since existing
 084 tools cannot reliably surface mathematical equivalences across languages, formats, and notations.
 085 More broadly, contest success is often viewed as only weakly correlated with the deeper, sustained
 086 reasoning required for research mathematics (Gemstones, 2020).

087 A similar difficulty arises for research search. For example, a mathematician interested in finding
 088 a bound for consecutive primes might want to check if someone showed a result like $p_{n+1} - p_n \leq$
 089 $C(\log p_n)^2$, where p_n denotes the n -th prime number and C is a constant. In their search, they must
 090 typically look using paraphrases like "upper bounds on prime gaps" rather than by the symbolic
 091 form itself. Existing MathIR and formula-search systems attempt to bridge this gap: for example,
 092 Vemuganti et al. (2025) explore structural enrichments in formula only retrieval, however, it's not
 093 built to support more complex language interleaved with math.

094 **This paper introduces *MathNet***, a benchmark designed to evaluate *math-aware retrieval* and its
 095 role in reasoning. Our contributions are:

- 096 **1. Dataset.** A **17K**-problem corpus of Olympiad-style math with aligned LaTeX and natural
 097 language statements, expert solutions, and metadata spanning 40+ countries, 10 languages.
- 098 **2. New Annotations and Similarity Axes.** 39,078 synthetic problem pairs that are mathematically
 099 equivalent, in addition to 70 curated problem pairs by Olympiad experts that appeared in real
 100 competitions and are conceptually similar.
- 101 **3. Large-Scale Evaluation.** Benchmarking across 27 models on three primary tasks that measure
 102 mathematical comprehension, retrieval quality, and analogical reasoning (MathRAG) using both
 103 automatic grading and human expert grading.
- 104 **4. Analysis: Solving vs. Retrieving.** We demonstrate a sharp divergence between problem solving
 105 and retrieval: even state-of-the-art models struggle with mathematical retrieval. Moreover,
 106 retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) improves reasoning only when retrievers surface *structure-*
 107 *aligned*, mathematically relevant neighbors.

108 2 RELATED WORK

110 Mathematical problem solving has long been a core benchmark for evaluating AI intelligence. Early
 111 efforts focused on text-based arithmetic problems, while recent research has expanded to competition-
 112 level reasoning, theorem proving, and multimodal problem-solving. Existing datasets can be broadly
 113 categorized into text-only benchmarks, multimodal benchmarks, and large-scale aggregates.

114 **Text-Only Mathematical Benchmarks.** Several datasets evaluate LLMs’ mathematical reasoning
 115 using text-only problems. Cobbe et al. (2021) introduced **GSM8K**, grade-school level problems for
 116 elementary arithmetic reasoning. Hendrycks et al. proposed **MATH**, which consists of problems
 117 spanning high school to competitive mathematics. Gao et al. (2024b) presented **Omni-MATH**, with
 118 4,428 Olympiad-level problems. He et al. (2024) and Wang et al. (2024) further extend coverage
 119 with bilingual and competition-level datasets, though most are limited in scale, language diversity, or
 120 structured similarity annotations.

121 **Multimodal Mathematical Benchmarks.** Multimodal benchmarks integrate visual information
 122 with textual descriptions, primarily for geometry or diagram-based reasoning. Datasets such as
 123 **MATH-Vision** (Wang et al., 2024) and **MathVista** (Lu et al., 2024) incorporate broad visual contexts,
 124 including charts and diagrams. Despite this added modality, these datasets remain comparatively easy
 125 and do not capture the full difficulty of Olympiad-level problem solving.

126 **Large-Scale Aggregates.** Large datasets aggregate problems from multiple sources such as Numina-
 127 Math (Li et al., 2024b) and (Li et al., 2025). Although valuable for large-scale training and evaluation,
 128 these datasets typically lack curated multimodal content, multi-lingual coverage, and fine-grained
 129 annotations.

130 **Math Retrieval** There has been work on formula-aware indexing (Zanibbi et al., 2025), but such
 131 systems predate LLMs and typically operate at the formula level, missing broader conceptual and
 132 structural similarities expressed in natural language. Meanwhile, modern IR excels at semantic
 133 paraphrase but is often *blind* to symbolic equivalence and cross-modal cues.

134 **Limitations and Motivation for MathNet.** Despite these advances, current benchmarks exhibit three
 135 main limitations: (i) limited detailed solutions written by experts, (ii) restricted visual multilingual
 136 content, especially for high-difficulty problems, and (iii) no focus on retrieving mathematically
 137 equivalent or related problems. *MathNet* addresses these gaps by offering a large-scale, multilingual,
 138 multimodal dataset of 17,512 Olympiad-level problems. It includes expert-validated problem pairs and
 139 a fine-grained taxonomy of mathematical similarity, enabling rigorous study of retrieval-augmented
 140 reasoning, analogical problem solving, and cross-lingual generalization in LLMs and LMMs.

Benchmark	Size	Languages	Evaluation Type	M	Source	Difficulty
GSM8k Cobbe et al. (2021)	8,500	EN	Numeric Answer	✗	Crowdsourced problems	Grade School
MATH Hendrycks et al.	12,500	EN	Numeric Answer	✗	Competitions / textbooks	High School
MATH-Vision Wang et al. (2024)	3,040	EN	Expression / Proof	✓	Math Competitions	High School
CMMLU Li et al. (2024a)	11,528	ZH	MCQ	✗	Chinese exam materials	High School / College
MMLU Hendrycks et al. (2021)	15,908	EN	MCQ	✗	College / professional exams	College-Level
C-Eval Huang et al. (2023)	13,948	ZH	MCQ	✗	Chinese college exams	College Entrance
MMMU Yue et al. (2024)	11,500	EN	MCQ / Expression	✓	Multimodal academic exams	College-Level
AGIEval Zhong et al. (2024)	3,300	EN & ZH	MCQ / Expression	✗	College entrance exams	College Entrance
JEEBench Arora et al. (2023)	515	EN	MCQ / Numeric Answer	✗	Indian JEE Advanced	JEE Advanced Exam
OlympiadBench He et al. (2024)	6,142	EN & ZH	Proof / Expression	✓	Official Websites	Olympiad Level
OlympicArena Huang et al. (2024)	3,233	EN & ZH	Proof / Process	✓	Official Websites	Olympiad Level
Omni-Math Gao et al. (2024b)	4,428	EN	Proof / Process	✗	AoPS Forum / Contest Pages	Olympiad Level
IneqMath Sheng et al. (2025)	1,552	EN	Proof / Analytical Tools	✗	Curated Inequalities Problems	Olympiad Level
OlymMATH Sun et al. (2025)	200	EN & ZH	Numeric Answer	✗	AoPS Forum/Official Websites	Olympiad Level
LiveAoPS Mahdavi et al. (2025)	-	EN	Numeric / Expression	✗	AoPS Forum (rolling snapshot)	Olympiad Level
MathArena Balunović et al. (2025)	162	EN	Final Answer / Proof	✓	Newly released competitions	Olympiad Level
IMO Bench Luong et al. (2025)	460	EN	Numeric / Proof	✗	IMO & national archives	Olympiad Level
MathNet (ours)	17,152	EN, ZH, ES RU, AR, RO DE, FA, ...	Expression / Proof	✓	Printed Official Country Booklets/International and National Contests	Olympiad Level

158 Table 1: Comparison of mathematical reasoning benchmarks across different sizes, languages, eval-
 159 uation types, and difficulty levels. We include both unimodal and multimodal datasets, spanning
 160 grade-school to Olympiad-level mathematics. Our proposed **MathNet** expands coverage to 10 lan-
 161 guages and focuses on proof- and process-based evaluation with authentic national contest problems.

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163Other Benchmarks Sources
e.g. Omni-MATH (ICLR 2025)

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Figure 2: **MathNet is a collection of official Olympiad documents sourced directly from national problem booklets.** This example shows a BMO 2023 problem that appears in both MathNet and Omni-MATH Gao et al. (2024a). While Omni-MATH relies on the AoPS discussion shown on the left, MathNet provides the official problem and solution on the right.

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3 DATASET

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We introduce *MathNet*, a large-scale benchmark designed to evaluate the cognitive reasoning and retrieval abilities of large language models (LLMs) and large multimodal models (LMMs). The benchmark contains both text-only and interleaved text–image problems, supporting multi-lingual presentation to broaden accessibility and inclusivity. In total, *MathNet* comprises 17,512 problems with expert-written solutions, spanning 40 countries and 300 distinct competitions.

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A key feature of *MathNet* is its fine-grained taxonomy of mathematical similarity, which enables systematic analysis of model performance across varying levels of structural and semantic overlap. To complement the dataset, we define a novel retrieval task that measures a model’s ability to identify related problems based on deeper structural relationships rather than surface-level features. We further provide baseline models and evaluations, demonstrating the benchmark’s utility in assessing both problem-solving accuracy and mathematical understanding.

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3.1 DATA COLLECTION, EXTRACTION AND ANNOTATION

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Data sources. Each year, participating countries in the International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) contribute original problems for use in their national contests and team selection examinations. To construct our benchmark, we curated a collection of official problem booklets from 40 countries spanning 2006–2025, comprising 739 PDF volumes and more than 25,000 pages in total. Unlike prior math benchmarks that often rely on community-sourced platforms such as AoPS, *MathNet* is built exclusively from officially published national materials. All included problems and solutions are authored and disseminated by national teams themselves, ensuring expert-level quality, consistency in style, and immunity from noisy or informal annotations. For more details, refer to section A.1.

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Problems Extraction. We first convert all contest booklets into a Markdown format using `dots-ocr dot` (2025), which is a multilingual document parsing framework (see Appendix 9). This step establishes a uniform input format for downstream processing. The underlying source material spans a wide range of formats: recent volumes are digitally typeset, while older archives are only available as scanned copies, and many booklets are bilingual. By leveraging the multilingual recognition and layout analysis capabilities of `dots-ocr`, our pipeline robustly handles this variation, ensuring consistent and faithful text extraction across diverse document types.

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Problems Solution Matching and Annotation Extracting aligned problem–solution pairs from parsed contest booklets poses a significant challenge due to the heterogeneity of source documents. Some booklets present problems and solutions in separate sections (see Appendix 9), while others interleave them. Numbering schemes and naming conventions vary not only across countries but

MathNet Sources
(official problems/solutions)

Solution to BMO & EGMO TST

Problem 3. Let p be a prime number and let m, n be integers greater than 1 such that $n \mid m^{p-1} - 1$. Prove that $\gcd(m^{p-1} - 1, n) > 1$.Solution. Set $\alpha = v_p(n) - 1$ and write $n = r \cdot p^\alpha$. Let q be an arbitrary prime divisor of n , and set $d = \text{ord}_q(m)$. Since

$$m^{d(p-1)} \equiv m^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{q},$$

it follows that $d \mid p-1$. If $v_p(d) \neq \alpha+1$, then clearly $d \mid n-1$, and therefore q is a common divisor of n and $m^{p-1} - 1$. Otherwise, suppose that $v_p(d) = \alpha+1$ for all prime divisors of n . Together with $m^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ by Fermat’s Little Theorem, we have

$$d \mid q-1 \implies v_p(q-1) \geq v_p(d) = \alpha+1.$$

The only prime divisor q of n satisfies $q \equiv 1 \pmod{p^{1-\alpha}}$. Because n is a product of these prime divisors, we deduce that $n \equiv 1 \pmod{p^{1-\alpha}}$. However, this contradicts to $v_p(n-1) = \alpha$. \square

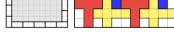
Problem 4. The sword is a figure consisting of 6 unit squares presented in the picture below (and any other figure obtained from it by rotation).



Determine the largest number of squares that can be cut from a 6×6 piece of paper divided into unit squares (each sword should consist of six such squares).

Solution. Let us cover boundary cells with 15 dominoes, as shown in the left picture.

In each such domino there is at most one cell belonging to some sword. Therefore,

all swords can together contain at most $6 \cdot 11 - 15 = 51$ cells, which means that there are at most 8 swords. Eight is actually possible (see the right picture).

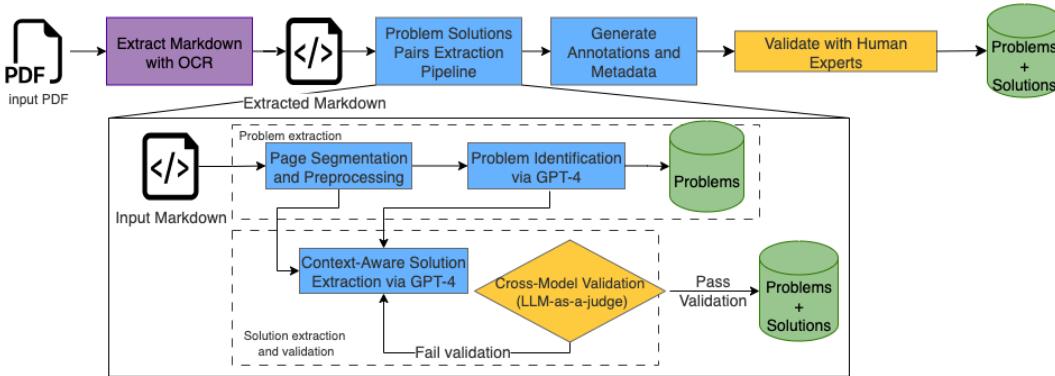


Figure 3: Problem–solution Extraction and Validation Pipeline.

often within a single document. These inconsistencies render traditional parsing techniques (e.g., regex-based heuristics) brittle and non-scalable.

To address this, we designed a tailored LLM-based pipeline for problem–solution alignment (illustrated in Figure 3). Our approach operates in three stages:

Document Ingestion and Problem Extraction. We preprocess each contest booklet by segmenting it into page-level units, which are then provided as input to **GPT-4.1** for problem identification and extraction in **L^AT_EX** format. For each extracted statement, we additionally record the source file and page number to maintain provenance metadata.

Solution Retrieval. Since solutions never precede their corresponding problems, the system begins searching only after the identified problem page. We slide an overlapping window of four consecutive pages, pairing the problem text with these candidate pages, and prompt **GPT-4.1** to extract the corresponding solution as shown in Appendix 1. This strategy balances robustness to noisy formatting with efficiency in long documents.

Semantic Verification. We subsequently evaluate each extracted problem–solution pair with two independent LLMs: **GPT-4.1** and **Claude 4 Opus**. We prompt both models to act as judges (see Appendix 2), assessing (i) the correctness of alignment and whether the solution corresponds to the intended problem (ii) the completeness of coverage—whether the entire solution is captured. The system accepts a pair into the dataset only when both LLMs independently agree on its validity, thereby providing cross-model consensus that mitigates single-model bias or hallucination (Gu et al., 2024).

Through this multi-stage design, our pipeline achieves high recall and precision across diverse document structures, enabling the construction of a clean, large-scale dataset of expert-authored problems and solutions.

3.2 DATA QUALITY VERIFICATION

Human Validation of Problem and Solution Extraction. To obtain a reliable estimate of extraction quality, we randomly sampled 100 problem–solution pairs from the dataset and conducted a controlled human evaluation. We recruited 20 annotators with academic backgrounds in mathematics, computer science, and engineering, and instructed them to independently assess each problem–solution pair along two dimensions: (i) the correctness of alignment, i.e., whether the solution corresponds to the intended problem, and (ii) the completeness of coverage, i.e., whether the solution is fully captured. To facilitate human validation, we developed and publicly released a lightweight web-based interface that supports multimodal display of problems, solutions, and provenance metadata (e.g., source document and page number).

LLM-Based Stress Testing with Distractors. To assess dataset robustness and potential leakage, we employed a large language model (GPT-4.1) to generate a set of “distractor” problems. For each problem, we prompted the model to produce five plausible but incorrect statements and then instructed it to identify the correct problem from a mixture of its own distractors and the true related problems

Mode	Problem A	Problem B
Invariance		
Syntactic Equivalence	Find $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x^2 - y^2) = (x - y)(f(x) + f(y))$.	Find $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $(g(a) + g(b))(a - b) = g(a^2 - b^2)$.
Reformulation	Let $a_i > 0$. Prove $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{a_i}{a_i^2 + a_{i+1}a_{i+2}} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{a_i + a_{i+1}}$	Let $a_i > 0$. Prove $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{a_i^2}{a_i^2 + a_{i+1}a_{i+2}} \geq \frac{1}{2}$
Transformational	Find all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $4^x + 6^x = 9^x$.	Find all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $(2/3)^x + (3/2)^x = 5/2$.
Structural Resonance		
Generalization/Specialization	For $k \geq 1$, prove that k divides $\binom{n}{k}$ for all $n \geq k$.	Show that $\binom{n}{m} \equiv \prod \binom{n_i}{m_i} \pmod{p}$, where $n = \sum n_i p^i$, $m = \sum m_i p^i$.
Common Lemma	Prove that $4^n + 2^n + 1$ is never a prime number.	Prove that $2^{2n} + 2^n + 1$ is divisible by 3 for all n .
Structural Reduction	If $ab + 1 \mid a^2 + b^2$, show that $\frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab + 1}$ is a perfect square.	If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = k(ab + bc + ca)$, show that $k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$.
Affinity		
Thematic	Show that the largest prime factor of $\binom{2n}{n}$ is greater than $n^{2/3}$.	For every $n > 1$, there is a prime p such that $n < p < 2n$.

Table 2: Taxonomy of mathematical similarity with Olympiad-style examples. Invariance captures strict equivalence under reformulation, Structural Resonance reflects shared lemmas or reductions, and Affinity denotes looser thematic clustering.

from our dataset. The model’s low success rate indicates that the annotated problem connections in *MathNet* are non-trivial and cannot be inferred through simple surface-level patterns, thereby reinforcing the quality of our annotations (see Section 4.3).

Expert Review of Similarity Annotations. As an additional validation step, we asked experts to review a subset of 500 sampled problems with their associated distractors. At least two annotators independently assessed each problem–distractor set, and a senior expert resolved any disagreements through consensus. This procedure confirmed that the similarity annotations capture genuine mathematical structure rather than superficial lexical overlap, providing a complementary layer of assurance beyond the LLM-based evaluation.

3.3 WHAT MAKES PROBLEMS SIMILAR?

Mathematical progress often depends on recognizing when different problems share common structure. Similarity is not a single notion but can take several forms, from strict equivalence to looser thematic connections. We distinguish three modes of similarity: *Invariance*, *Resonance*, and *Affinity* (see Table 2).

Invariance refers to strict equivalence under transformation. Two problems are invariant when they differ only in representation but share the same underlying structure. Examples include syntactic renaming, algebraic reformulation, geometric re-characterization, or cross-domain isomorphism.

Resonance refers to partial similarity. Problems are not identical, but they can be addressed using the same idea, proof strategy, or structural analogy. Resonance highlights opportunities to transfer tools or insights across contexts.

Affinity refers to a broad sense of relatedness without structural equivalence. Problems may belong to the same conceptual or disciplinary area (e.g., number theory, geometry) even if they do not share a method or solution strategy. Affinity provides a way to group problems by theme, context, or historical development.

3.4 HOW ARE SIMILAR PROBLEM PAIRS CONSTRUCTED?

To asses the limitations of current embedding models, we designed a *Problem Retrieval* task that aims to distinguish between surface-level lexical overlap and deep mathematical equivalence. We construct three types of paired data points:

a) Synthetic Equivalent Pairs. We generated equivalent versions of anchor problems via variable renaming (e.g., $x \rightarrow a$), algebraic manipulation, and paraphrasing using GPT-4.1 (prompt details more details Appendix). For example, the functional equation $f(x) + f(y) = f(x + y)$ is paired with an algebraically equivalent variant such as $g(a) - g(a + b) = -g(b)$.

b) Hard Negatives (Near-Misses). To asses how much models can rely solely on token overlap, we generated adversarial “hard negatives” that mimic the syntax of the anchor but differ mathematically (e.g., $f(x^2) + f(y) = f(x - y)$). These serve as near-miss distractors that require genuine mathematical understanding to avoid.

324 To ensure correctness of the synthetic problems, we performed a human verification pass on all
 325 generated samples, where 500 pairs of synthetic samples were verified.
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327 **c) Expert-Curated Conceptual Pairs.** We curated 70 pairs from real Olympiad problems over
 328 the past 20 years. These belong to the *Structural Resonance* category of our taxonomy of pairs
 329 exhibiting conceptual similarity such as generalization/specialization relations, shared key lemmas,
 330 or one problem being a reduction of the other. These expert-curated pairs capture similarity that goes
 331 beyond algebraic transformations.

332 3.5 DATA PREPARATION AND RELEASE

333 Our benchmark contains 17,512 problems, with 5,500 designated for model-based evaluation as
 334 *MathNet-test-large*, and 140 curated hard problems as *MathNet-test-small*. *MathNet-test-small* is
 335 organized into pairs consisting of a problem and a conceptually related problem (Invariance and
 336 Structural Resonance), both of which appeared in real competitions. The dataset will be publicly
 337 released.
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339 3.6 DATA ANALYSIS

340 Figure 6b illustrates the diversity of our dataset across mathematical domains. Notably, Number
 341 Theory and Combinatorics account for a large share of the most difficult problems, reflecting their
 342 inherent complexity. In addition, the dataset is multilingual, with problems provided in ten different
 343 languages (see Appendix Table 11), which makes it particularly well-suited for evaluating cross-
 344 lingual reasoning.
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346 4 EXPERIMENTS

348 4.1 EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

350 We evaluate 25 models on *MathNet* under two benchmarks: (a) **Math Comprehension** and (b) **Math**
 351 **Retrieval**.

353 For **Math Comprehension**, we evaluate two types of models: (i) **LLMs and LMMs**, including
 354 gpt-4o, Llama-4-Maverick-17B-128E-Instruct-FP8, **Grok-4.1**, **Grok-3**. For
 355 models that accept images, we provide both the text and image as input; otherwise, we supply a
 356 text-only description of the image. (ii) **LLMs and LMMs with CoT Reasoning**, including gpt-5,
 357 gpt-5-mini, gpt-5-nano, **gemini-3-pro**, gemini-2.5-pro, gemini-2.5-flash,
 358 **DeepSeek-V3.2-Special**, **DeepSeek-V3**, **DeepSeek-R1**, **claude-opus-4.5**.

359 For **Math Retrieval**, we evaluate retrieval performance using embeddings derived
 360 from a diverse set of state-of-the-art models, including all-mpnet-base-v2,
 361 multi-qa-mpnet-base-dot-v1, cohere-embed-v4.0, qwen3-embedding-4B,
 362 gemini-embedding-001, text-embedding-ada-002, text-embedding-3-small,
 363 and text-embedding-3-large. We compute similarities between problem statements using
 364 cosine similarity over the embedding representations.

365 4.2 EVALUATION PROTOCOL

367 **Math Comprehension.** For evaluation, following the protocol proposed by IMO-Bench [Luong et al. \(2025\)](#), we adopt a model-based evaluation using Gemini-2.5-Pro, which was shown
 368 in IMO-Bench to achieve a Pearson correlation of 0.87 with human graders. For each problem,
 369 Gemini-2.5-Pro is provided with the problem statement, the reference solution, and the model-
 370 generated solution, and is asked to judge whether the output is consistent with the correct answer
 371 using a numeric system 0-7 binarized to score=7 (full correctness) and score != 7. This allows us to
 372 distinguish between models that arrive at the correct final answer by coincidence versus those that
 373 demonstrate consistent reasoning ability. We also report performance by subject domain (algebra,
 374 geometry, combinatorics, number theory), enabling a fine-grained analysis of model strengths and
 375 weaknesses.
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377 **Math Retrieval.** The primary evaluation metric for our retrieval task is **Recall@k**, which measures
 whether any of the top- k retrieved problems correspond to a "correct" match from our equivalent

378 versions of each problem. We report Recall@1, Recall@5, and Recall@10. To better understand
 379 embedding behavior, we further analyze cosine similarity distributions between equivalent problem
 380 pairs, unrelated pairs, and near misses (hard negatives), highlighting cases where models struggle to
 381 separate fine-grained distinctions.

382 **Retrieval Augmented Generation.** To assess the impact of retrieval RAG, we evaluate how retrieval
 383 quality affects downstream mathematical problem solving. We adopt a controlled setup: we report
 384 solver performance under three conditions: (a) zero-shot, (b) RAG with a standard off-the-shelf
 385 retriever, and (c) RAG with an oracle retriever that supplies a ground-truth similar problem from
 386 MathNet. This allows us to directly quantify how much math-aware retrieval contributes to solution
 387 accuracy.

388 We report the relative gains between (b) and (c), highlighting how structural alignment in retrieval
 389 enables models to make effective use of retrieved context, and we identify cases where irrelevant
 390 retrieval harms performance. This protocol provides a clear empirical demonstration of the value of
 391 math-aware retrieval.

393 4.3 MAIN RESULTS

395 **Math Comprehension** Table 4 summarizes accuracy across four mathematical domains. Baseline
 396 LLMs such as *Llama-4-Maverick-17B* and *DeepSeek-V3* achieve modest macro-averages in the mid-
 397 40s, indicating that direct pattern matching and shallow heuristics are insufficient for Olympiad-level
 398 problem solving.

Math Comprehension Results on Test-Set-Small (70 samples)							
Model	RD (2025)	Human Grading			LLM Grading		
		zero shot	embed-RAG	expert-RAG	zero shot	embed-RAG	expert-RAG
DeepSeek-v3.2-Speciale	01 Dec	84.8%	89.5%	97.3%	82.23%	87.87%	89.03%
Claude-4.5-Opus	24 Nov	46.8%	55.5%	52.4%	45.97%	50.34%	56.43%
oLMO-3-Think	20 Nov	45.2%	54.6%	47.6%	49.49%	45.56%	51.07%
Grok-4.1-Fast	19 Nov	75.4%	83.8%	83.2%	73.06%	67.66%	69.11%
Gemini-3-Pro	18 Nov	89.1%	92.9%	87.5%	73.16%	70.54%	76.43%
GPT-5	07 Aug	76.8%	75.2%	86.6%	87.09%	81.81%	85.76%
Phi-4-Reasoning Plus	30 Apr	15.1%	14.3%	16.7%	24.06%	19.64%	30.04%

409 Table 3: Performance of evaluated language models on the Math Comprehension Test-Set-Small (70
 410 samples). The table reports human and average LLM grading accuracy under three prompting and
 411 retrieval configurations: zero-shot, embed-RAG, and expert-RAG. RD=release date.

413 Reasoning-augmented models (e.g., *GPT 5* and *Gemini 2.5 Flash*) substantially improve performance,
 414 with macro-averages around above 60%. However, their accuracy remains uneven across domains:
 415 while Algebra shows steady gains, **Geometry and Discrete Math remain the hardest categories**,
 416 reflecting difficulty with abstract reasoning, non-obvious solution paths, and combinatorial structures.
 417 For more breakdown analysis of Language and Multimodality sensitivity refer to Table 9 and Table
 418 10 in Appendix A.4.

419 **Math Retrieval** As shown in Table 5, retrieval on *MathNet* remains highly challenging at the top-1
 420 level, with even the strongest models (*Qwen3-embedding-4B* and *Gemini-embedding-001*)
 421 achieving only $\sim 5\%$ Recall@1. Performance improves markedly at higher cutoffs, with Recall@10
 422 exceeding 80% in several domains. Among all models, *Gemini-embedding-001* provides the most
 423 consistent gains, delivering the highest Recall@5 and Recall@10 across domains and the strongest
 424 aggregate performance (68.88% and 83.79%, respectively). In contrast, legacy embedding models
 425 such as *text-embedding-ada-002* and *text-embedding-3-small* perform substantially
 426 worse across all settings.

427 These results suggest that current general-purpose embedding models fail to capture the deep structural
 428 and symbolic relationships that define mathematical equivalence. A critical failure mode is that
 429 both LLMs and LMMs often rely on superficial textual overlap (e.g., matching on keywords such as
 430 "triangle" or "polynomial") rather than reasoning over the underlying mathematical concepts. The
 431 weak top-1 retrieval performance highlights that these models lack a robust internal representation of
 mathematical knowledge that would support analogical reasoning across problem variants. This gap

Zero-Shot Math Comprehension Results on Test-Set-Large (5500 samples)							
	Algebra	Number Theory	Geometry	Discrete Math	Macro Avg	Micro Avg	
LLMs (Text-only)							
Mistral-3B	<u>8.87% ± 0.54</u>	<u>5.99% ± 0.53</u>	<u>1.28% ± 0.17</u>	<u>4.51% ± 0.46</u>	<u>5.16% ± 1.37</u>	<u>4.60% ± 0.20</u>	
DeepSeek-V3.2	<u>11.03% ± 0.60</u>	<u>12.11% ± 0.73</u>	<u>1.74% ± 0.20</u>	<u>5.83% ± 0.52</u>	<u>7.68% ± 2.08</u>	<u>6.66% ± 0.24</u>	
Grok-3	<u>22.13% ± 0.79</u>	<u>18.23% ± 0.87</u>	<u>3.14% ± 0.27</u>	<u>12.97% ± 0.74</u>	<u>14.12% ± 3.56</u>	<u>12.41% ± 0.31</u>	
LVLMs (Vision-enabled)							
Llama-4-Maverick-17B	<u>25.72% ± 0.83</u>	<u>22.08% ± 0.93</u>	<u>5.84% ± 0.36</u>	<u>10.67% ± 0.68</u>	<u>16.08% ± 4.05</u>	<u>14.60% ± 0.34</u>	
GPT-4.1	<u>41.71% ± 0.94</u>	<u>41.34% ± 1.11</u>	<u>12.75% ± 0.51</u>	<u>33.91% ± 1.05</u>	<u>32.43% ± 5.89</u>	<u>29.00% ± 0.43</u>	
GPT-4o	<u>19.22% ± 0.75</u>	<u>15.77% ± 0.82</u>	<u>3.13% ± 0.27</u>	<u>12.05% ± 0.72</u>	<u>12.54% ± 3.00</u>	<u>11.04% ± 0.30</u>	
LLMs + Reasoning (Text-only)							
DeepSeek-R1	<u>32.43% ± 0.90</u>	<u>27.21% ± 1.00</u>	<u>5.18% ± 0.34</u>	<u>16.69% ± 0.83</u>	<u>20.38% ± 5.22</u>	<u>18.07% ± 0.37</u>	
LVLMs + Reasoning (Vision + deliberate reasoning)							
Gemini-2.5-Flash	<u>51.42% ± 0.95</u>	<u>52.18% ± 1.02</u>	<u>56.73% ± 0.88</u>	<u>42.57% ± 0.91</u>	<u>50.03% ± 3.20</u>	<u>49.61% ± 0.45</u>	
Claude-4-Opus	<u>40.27% ± 0.90</u>	<u>20.44% ± 0.75</u>	<u>79.12% ± 1.10</u>	<u>26.39% ± 0.82</u>	<u>41.08% ± 4.10</u>	<u>40.22% ± 0.50</u>	
GPT-5	<u>92.41% ± 0.50</u>	<u>89.06% ± 0.70</u>	<u>64.23% ± 0.73</u>	<u>85.28% ± 0.78</u>	<u>82.74% ± 5.49</u>	<u>79.63% ± 0.38</u>	
GPT-5-mini	<u>87.14% ± 0.64</u>	<u>88.81% ± 0.71</u>	<u>65.43% ± 0.73</u>	<u>79.13% ± 0.90</u>	<u>80.13% ± 4.62</u>	<u>77.58% ± 0.40</u>	
GPT-5-nano	<u>77.59% ± 0.80</u>	<u>78.05% ± 0.93</u>	<u>51.92% ± 0.76</u>	<u>66.81% ± 1.04</u>	<u>68.59% ± 5.31</u>	<u>65.75% ± 0.45</u>	

Table 4: Experimental results on *MathNet-Test-Large*, which consists of 5500 problems. Results are expressed as percentages, with the highest score in each setting underlined and the highest scores across all settings bolded.

Table 5: Experimental results on *MathNet*, expressed as percentages for Recall@1 and Recall@5. The highest score in each setting is underlined, and the highest overall scores are bolded.

	Algebra		Number Theory		Geometry		Discrete Mathematics		All	
	R@1	R@5	R@1	R@5	R@1	R@5	R@1	R@5	R@1	R@5
all-mpnet-base-v2	4.54%	73.06%	4.67%	82.54%	4.37%	74.76%	4.25%	75.38%	3.78%	57.7%
multi-qa-mpnet-base-dot-v1	4.0%	69.4%	3.73%	80.76%	3.88%	71.73%	3.98%	73.4%	3.27%	55.08%
cohere-embed-v4.0	2.73%	59.85%	2.67%	68.85%	2.35%	59.87%	2.78%	63.4%	2.24%	44.81%
qwen3-embedding-4B	5.24%	78.74%	4.62%	86.43%	<u>5.6%</u>	79.05%	<u>5.96%</u>	81.5%	4.96%	64.95%
gemini-embedding-001	<u>5.5%</u>	<u>81.62%</u>	<u>4.95%</u>	<u>87.43%</u>	5.49%	<u>81.86%</u>	5.35%	<u>82.8%</u>	4.83%	68.88%
text-embedding-ada-002	2.05%	54.94%	2.22%	63.35%	2.16%	55.07%	2.71%	57.51%	1.94%	42.02%
text-embedding-3-small	2.1%	47.47%	1.89%	54.62%	2.1%	47.61%	2.84%	50.12%	1.98%	35.49%
text-embedding-3-large	3.19%	68.18%	2.73%	75.25%	3.2%	68.18%	3.35%	69.52%	2.74%	54.23%

underscores the need for embeddings explicitly trained to encode mathematical structure, rather than depending on incidental surface-level cues.

To further illustrate this issue, Figure 4 shows the distribution of cosine similarities between equivalent and non-equivalent problems. Surprisingly, non-equivalent pairs often exhibit higher similarity scores than equivalent ones. This counterintuitive trend highlights that embeddings frequently capture superficial lexical or symbolic overlap rather than true structural relationships, leading models to mis-rank distinct problems as closer than genuinely equivalent ones. This explains the weak Recall@1 performance observed in Table 5.

MathRAG. As shown in Table 3, providing these ground-truth pairs as retrieval context (*expert-RAG*) yields consistent gains over zero-shot settings under both human and LLM grading. Improvements are largest for lower- and mid-tier solvers, indicating that math-aware retrieval supplies structure-aligned hints that current models do not reliably surface on their own. For the strongest systems, we observe occasional small dips (e.g., *Gemini-3-Pro* with human grading; *GPT-5* with LLM grading), which we attribute to over-conditioning on partially relevant context. In the embed-RAG setting, we see high variance across results: when it retrieves structure-aligned neighbors it helps, but near-miss distractors often degrade performance.

Together, these results show that retrieval can meaningfully boost Olympiad problem solving but only when the retrieved context is truly *structurally* similar. Progress in retrieval-enhanced systems will hinge on retrievers attuned to mathematical structure rather than surface lexical overlap. *MathNet* with expert-aligned pairs and hard negatives offers a controlled setting to develop and rigorously evaluate such math-aware retrieval for RAG.

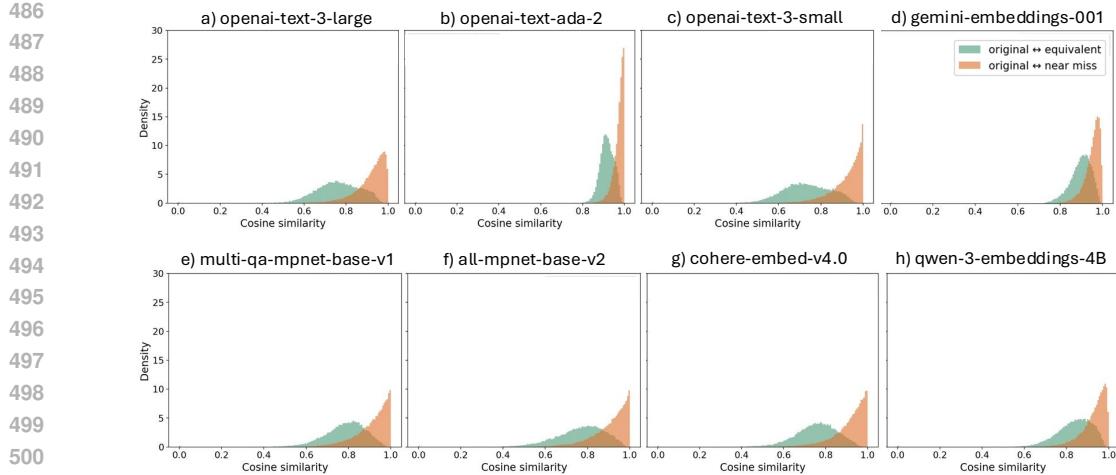


Figure 4: Cosine similarity distributions for equivalent (green) and near-miss/hard negatives (orange) problem pairs across different embedding models. Higher separation between the two distributions indicates a model’s ability to distinguish structurally identical problems from those with small but critical alterations.

5 DISCUSSION

Results on *MathNet* reveal a clear gap between the problem-solving ability of modern LLMs/LMMs and their understanding of mathematical structure. While models achieve impressive scores on answer-generation benchmarks, our retrieval task shows they lack a generalizable grasp of equivalence and analogy. The limited gains from visual augmentation further suggest that multimodal integration for symbolic tasks remains underdeveloped.

The strong performance of the formula-aware baseline indicates that structured, non-textual representations are crucial for retrieval. Progress in true mathematical reasoning may require moving beyond next-token prediction toward architectures that explicitly integrate symbolic reasoning.

6 CONCLUSION

In this work, we introduced *MathNet*, the first large-scale, multilingual, multimodal benchmark for mathematical reasoning and retrieval. By providing a rich dataset of 17,512 problems with a fine-grained taxonomy of equivalence, we enabled a rigorous study of mathematical generalization and analogical reasoning. To ensure reliability, we complemented automated extraction with systematic human validation: expert annotators reviewed problem similarity labels, and student evaluators assessed the alignment and completeness of extracted problem–solution pairs. These human contributions establish a strong ground-truth foundation, ensuring that *MathNet* captures deep mathematical structure rather than superficial overlap.

Our comprehensive evaluations show that while frontier models can solve complex problems, they struggle with a fundamental yet overlooked task: retrieving mathematically equivalent or related problems from large corpora. This deficiency in retrieval highlights a key limitation in their ability to form a robust, internally consistent representation of mathematical knowledge. We hope *MathNet* will serve as a valuable resource for the community, paving the way for research into improved retrieval-augmented reasoning, symbolic AI, and ultimately, more capable and reliable problem-solving models.

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702 **A APPENDIX**
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704 The appendix provides additional tables, figures, prompts, and implementation details to support
 705 reproducibility and further analysis.
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707 **A.1 OVERVIEW OF COMPETITIONS COVERED BY MATHNET**
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709 This section lists the national and regional competitions represented in *MathNet*, along with years
 710 covered and document sources, to clarify the dataset’s institutional breadth.
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712 Country	713 Years	714 Competitions
Argentina	2003–2023	Cono Sur MO; Argentine National Olympiad; Rioplatense Olympiad; Iberoamerican MO; Olimpiada de Mayo;
Australia	2010–2024	AMOC Senior Contest; APMO; AIMO; Australian MO; EGMO (TST); IMO (TST); MCYA
Austria	2010–2024	Austrian MO – Regional; Austrian MO – Junior Regional; Austrian MO – National; National Olympiad – Preliminary; National Olympiad – Final; Beginners’ Competition; EGMO (TST); IMO (TST)
Balkans	2010–2025	Balkans Mathematical Olympiad (BMO)
Baltics	2009–2023	Baltic Way; Baltic Way Shortlist
Belarus	2010–2024	Belarusian MO; IMO (TST)
Brazil	2006–2012	OBM
Bulgaria	2007–2024	Bulgarian MO – Regional; Bulgarian MO – Final; Bulgarian Autumn Competition; Bulgarian Spring Competition; Bulgarian Winter Competition (Rousse, Varna, National); IMO (TST); BMO (TST); Other Bulgarian Competitions; JBMO (TST)
Canada	2010–2017	CMO
China	2007–2025	AMC 10/12; AIME; CMO (China); Chinese MO; China Southeastern MO; CWMO; CGMO; Hua Luogeng Cup; IMO (TST); Soviet Mathematical Competition; Russian Mathematical Competition; Putnam (China ed.)
Croatia	2010–2019	Croatian MO; National Olympiad – City; National Olympiad – County; National Olympiad – Final; MEMO; IMO/MEMO (TST)
Czech Republic	2000–2025	Czech MO – School; Czech MO – District; Czech MO – Regional; Czech MO – Final; Czech–Polish–Slovak Match; Czech–Slovak–Polish Match; Czech–Austrian–Polish–Slovak Match; CAPS Match; Olympiad Corner; IMO/EGMO/MEMO (TST)
Slovakia	2000–2025	Slovak MO – School; Slovak MO – District; Slovak MO – Regional; Slovak MO – Final; Czech–Slovak Match; Czech–Polish–Slovak Match; Czech–Slovak–Polish Match; Czech–Austrian–Polish–Slovak Match; CAPS Match; Olympiad Corner; IMO/EGMO/MEMO (TST)
Poland	2004–2025	Polish MO; Czech–Polish–Slovak Match; Czech–Slovak–Polish Match; Czech–Austrian–Polish–Slovak Match; CAPS Match; Olympiad Corner; IMO/EGMO/MEMO (TST)
Estonia	2010–2025	Estonian MO; Kangaroo; IMO (TST); Other Estonian Open Contests; EGMO (TST)
Greece	2007–2024	Hellenic MO – Archimedes; National Competition – Thales; National Competition – Euclides; BMO; JBMO; Mediterranean Competition; EGMO (TST); IMO (TST); JBMO (TST)
Hong Kong	2014–2017	Hong Kong MO; Hong Kong Team Selection Test; Preliminary Selection – IMO; IMO (TST); APMO; CHKMO
India	2006–2023	INMO; RMO; TSTs (IMO/EGMO/RMM); EGMO (TST); RMM (TST); IMO (TST); USA TST Exchange; ISL/ELMO (training/mock)
Iran	2010–2024	Iranian MO; IMO (TST)
Ireland	2007–2025	Irish MO; IMO (TST)
Japan	2006–2025	JMO; JJMO; IMO/EGMO (TST)
Mongolia	2009–2025	Mongolian MO; Mongolian National MO; IMO (TST); EGMO (TST)
Netherlands	2019–2025	Dutch MO; Junior MO; Kangaroo; Pythagoras Olympiad; BxMO; Bx-MO/EGMO (TST); IMO (TST)

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756	Country	Years	Competitions
757	North Macedonia	2008–2023	Macedonian MO; Macedonian Junior MO; National Olympiad – Regional; National Olympiad – Final; BMO; JBMO; Mediterranean Competition; EGMO (TST); IMO (TST); BMO (TST)
758	Romania	2010–2025	Romanian MO – District; Romanian MO – Final; RMM; BMO; JBMO; EGMO; IMAR Competition; Stars of Mathematics; Danube Competition; Clock-Tower School Competitions; IMO/BMO/JBMO/EGMO/RMM (TST)
759	Russia	2009–2025	Russian MO – Regional; Russian MO – Final; Euler Olympiad; All-Russian Olympiad (district, regional, national); IMO/EGMO (TST)
760	Saudi Arabia	2010–2025	Saudi MO; APMO (TST); EGMO (TST); IMO (TST); BMO (TST); JBMO (TST)
761	Singapore	2010–2025	SMO (Junior, Senior, Open); SIMOC Camp Quizzes; National Olympiad – Round 2 (all); IMO/EGMO (TST)
762	Slovenia	2008–2016	Slovenian National MO; International Kangaroo; IMO (TST)
763	South Africa	2010–2024	SAMO; National Olympiad – Senior; University Training Camps; Talent Search; Monthly Problem Sets; IMO (TST)
764	South Korea	2004–2024	KMO; National Olympiad; IMO (TST)
765	Spain	2012–2023	Spanish MO; National Olympiad – First Phase; National Olympiad – Final Phase; Iberoamerican MO; Mediterranean MO; Barcelona Contest; BarcelonaTech Math Contest; Arhimede Contest; IMO (TST)
766	Taiwan	2012–2024	Taiwan MO; National Olympiad Training Camps (Independent Study, Mock Exams, International Practice); IMO (TST)
767	Thailand	2007–2017	Thailand MO; TMO; IMO (TST)
768	Turkey	2008–2024	Turkish MO; Junior Turkish MO; National Olympiad; IMO (TST); JBMO (TST); EGMO (TST); Silk Road Mathematical Competition
769	UK	2006–2022	BMO (Rounds 1 & 2); BMO; EGMO (TST); IMO (TST); RMM (TST); CGMO (TST); Mathematics Ashes
770	USA	2001–2025	AMC 10/12; AIME; USAMO; USAJMO; IMO (TST); EGMO (TST); RMM (TST)
771	Ukraine	2005–2023	Ukrainian National MO; Regional Olympiads; Kyiv City Olympiad; Ukrainian Tournament of Mathematical Battles; Ukrainian Mathematical Competitions; Online Olympiads (Algebra, Combinatorics, Number Theory); Ukrainian Summer School Competitions; EGMO (TST); IMO (TST); RMM (TST); EMC
772	Vietnam	2001–2024	VMO; Vietnamese National Olympiad; IMO (TST)
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788 A.2 TAXONOMY OF TOPICS COMMONLY USED IN MATH OLYMPIAD

789 We provide the curated taxonomy used for labeling domains, subjects, topics, and subtopics. These labels ground
 790 our analyses and enable consistent cross-competition comparisons.

793 Sub-subtopic	794 Key Concepts
795 Geometry	
796 Plane Geometry	
797 Triangles	798 Centroid, incenter, circumcenter, orthocenter, ex-centers, Euler line, nine-point circle; geometric inequalities; trigonometry (metric relations)
799 Quadrilaterals	800 Cyclic, inscribed/circumscribed, Complete quadrangle, perpendicular diagonals
801 Circles	802 Angles, coaxal, tangents, radical axis, metric relations, Apollonius circle
803 Concurrency / Collinearity	804 Theorems of Ceva, Menelaus, Pappus, Desargues
805 Transformations	806 Translation, rotation, homothety, spiral similarity, inversion, the method of moving points
807 Advanced Configurations	808 Simson line, Miquel, Napoleon / Fermat / Brocard points, symmedians, polar triangles, harmonic/isogonal/isotomic conjugates, barycentric coordinates
809 Geometric Inequalities	810 Classical and advanced

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810	Sub-subtopic	Key Concepts
811	Combinatorial Geometry	Helly, Sylvester, convex hulls, Pick theorem, Minkowski theorem, convex figures
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813	Analytic / Coordinate Methods	Complex numbers, Cartesian coordinates, vectors, trigonometric relations
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815	Miscellaneous	Angle/distance chasing, constructions, loci
816	Solid Geometry	
817	3D Shapes	Polyhedra, prisms, pyramids, spheres, cylinders, cones
818	Volume	Cavalieri's principle, Formulae and problem-solving
819	Surface Area	Formulae and applications
820	Other 3D problems	Mixed problems, reducing the problem into a plane geometry problem
821	Differential Geometry	
822	Curvature	Gaussian, mean
823	Manifolds	Surfaces, parametric
824	Geodesics	Shortest paths, great circles
825	Non-Euclidean Geometry	
826	Spherical Geometry	Spherical triangles, angles, area
827	Hyperbolic Geometry	Lines, models, inequalities
828	Algebra	
829	Prealgebra / Basic Algebra	
830	Integers	Sets of integers, Divisibility, primes, the Greatest Common Divisor (GCD), the Least Common Multiplier (LCM)
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832	Fractions	Operations, simplification, comparison
833	Decimals	Conversion, operations, rounding
834	Simple Equations	Linear equations, word problems
835	Other	Number properties, prime factorization, divisors
836	Algebraic Expressions	
837	Polynomials	Operations, factorization, Algebraic identities, symmetric functions, Vieta's formula, interpolation formulae, complex numbers, roots of unity, Chebyshev polynomials and other trigonometric polynomials, irreducibility of polynomials, Descartes rule of signs, rootso of polynomials, Intermediate Value Theorem (IVT)
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841	Sequences / Series	Recurrences, Charachteristic equations, monotonicity, boundedness, periodicity, convergence and divergence, floors/ceilings, sums/products, telescoping sums, Abel summation
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844	Functional Equations	Substitution, defining a new function, Cauchy's equations, Injectivity/surjectivity, Periodicity, application of Calculus and Mathematical Analysis, iterations
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846	Inequalities	
847	Functional considerations	Linear/Quadratic solving techniques
848	Classical inequalities	Cauchy-Schwarz, QM-AM-GM-HM, Power Mean, Jensen's Inequality, smoothing, Muirhead, Chebyshev's inequality, majorization, combinatorial optimization
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851	Discrete Mathematics	
852	Graph Theory	
853	Basic concepts	Vertices, edges, path, connected graphs, cycles, Hamiltonian cycle and path, trees
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855	Matchings	Marriage Lemma, Tutte's theorem
856	Connectivity	Menger, max-flow min-cut
857	Extremal	Turán
858	Euler characteristic	$V - E + F$
859	Combinatorics	
860	Enumeration	Symmetry, basic counting techniques, recursion, bijection, inclusion-exclusion, double counting
861	Probability	Expected values, probabilistice methods, partitions, generating functions
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863	Binomial coefficients	Algebraic properties

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864	Sub-subtopic	Key Concepts
865	Pigeonhole principle	Applications
866	Invariants / Monovariants	Problem-solving
867	Coloring / Extremal	Graph problems
868	Induction	Standard and smoothing
869	Games / Greedy	Strategies, combinatorial games
870	Logic / Algorithms / Other	
871	Logic	Propositional/predicate logic, truth tables
872	Algorithms	Sorting, searching, Dynamic Programming (DP), greedy
873	Other	Miscellaneous problems, strategy development problems, interdisciplinary problems
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875	Number Theory	
876	Divisibility / Factorization	
877	Primes	Properties, sieves, prime numbers tests
878	GCD	Euclidean algorithm; linear combinations; Bezout's identity
879	LCM	Computation; relation with GCD
880	Factorization	Trial, Fermat, Pollard
881	Modular Arithmetic	
882	Basic operations $(\text{mod } n)$, inverses $(\text{mod } n)$	Existence (when $\text{gcd}(a, n) = 1$); computation (extended Euclidean algorithm)
883	Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT)	Solving systems of congruences; applications in number theory and cryptography
884	Fermat / Euler / Wilson	Theorems; proofs; problem-solving applications
885	Polynomials mod p	Roots, factorization; applications to number theory problems
886	Residues / Primitive Roots	
887	Primitive roots	Existence modulo primes; modulo p^n ; computation
888	Quadratic residues	Properties; Legendre symbol; Euler's criterion
889	Quadratic reciprocity	Law of quadratic reciprocity; applications
890	Multiplicative order $(\text{mod } n)$	Definition; computation; relation with primitive roots and cyclic groups
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892	Diophantine Equations	
893	Factorization Methods	Difference of squares, Sophie Germain identity, special factorizations; Unique Factorization Domains (Gaussian, Eisenstein integers); Norms in algebraic number fields; Vieta jumping
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895	Modular Arithmetic & Congruences	Reductions modulo primes or powers; Quadratic residues, Legendre symbol; Multiplicative order & primitive roots; Hensel lifting; Local-global principles (solvability mod p)
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897	Parametrization of Solutions	Pythagorean triples; Rational parametrization of conics (general quadratics); Higher-degree parametrizations (elliptic curves, quartics)
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899	Inequalities & Size Arguments	Bounding arguments; Infinite descent; Minimal solutions (no smaller solution possible)
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901	Special Equations	Pell's equation: continued fractions, fundamental solution, recurrence; Fermat-type: $x^4 + y^4 = z^2$,
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903	Descent & Structural Methods	Infinite descent; Descent on elliptic curves; Geometry of numbers
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905	Arithmetic Functions	
906	Euler's totient's function	Properties, applications
907	Number / Sum of divisors	Computation, properties
908	Sum of digits	Basic properties
909	Möbius inversion	Definition, applications
910	Algebraic Number Theory	
911	Algebraic numbers	Minimal polynomials, field extensions, solving Diophantine equations
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918 A.3 BENCHMARKING LLM GRADERS VS HUMAN EXPERT GRADERS
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920 We benchmark the accuracy of a wide range of LLM graders and compare their judgments to human expert
921 grading on `Testset-Small`. This evaluation quantifies how reliably current models can act as automatic
922 graders for Olympiad-level mathematical reasoning. For each model, we report performance under three settings:
923 zero-shot, embed-RAG, and expert-RAG. This measure both cross-model grading consistency and alignment
924 with human scoring.

Model	Cross-Model Grading + Human Scores					Human Expert
	LLaMA-4	DeepSeek-V3	GPT-4.1	GPT-4o	Average	
Zero Shot						
<code>claude-opus-4.5</code>	72.243	41.557	31.371	38.700	45.971	46.8%
<code>deepseek-v3.2-speciale</code>	96.186	74.286	85.457	73.014	82.229	84.8%
<code>gemini-3-pro-preview</code>	94.700	72.357	71.686	53.500	73.057	89.1%
<code>gpt-5</code>	98.057	85.014	83.157	82.143	87.086	76.8%
<code>grok-4.1-fast</code>	92.657	63.357	76.529	59.700	73.060	75.4%
<code>olmo-3-32b-think</code>	70.243	44.286	35.200	48.214	49.486	45.2%
<code>phi-4-reasoning-plus</code>	46.186	23.529	6.629	19.900	24.057	15.1%
embed-RAG						
<code>claude-opus-4.5</code>	64.93%	59.69%	40.30%	36.49%	50.34%	55.5%
<code>deepseek-v3.2-speciale</code>	94.21%	78.37%	92.21%	86.73%	87.89%	89.5%
<code>gemini-3-pro-preview</code>	95.91%	71.43%	68.63%	46.17%	70.54%	92.9%
<code>gpt-5</code>	93.23%	73.94%	80.96%	79.11%	81.81%	75.2%
<code>grok-4.1-fast</code>	88.57%	61.13%	72.23%	48.67%	67.66%	83.8%
<code>olmo-3-32b-think</code>	66.89%	38.57%	31.49%	45.29%	45.56%	54.6%
<code>phi-4-reasoning-plus</code>	36.64%	12.70%	08.16%	21.04%	19.64%	14.3%
expert-RAG						
<code>claude-opus-4.5</code>	77.06%	55.51%	53.57%	39.54%	56.43%	52.4%
<code>deepseek-v3.2-speciale</code>	97.14%	83.41%	89.29%	86.24%	89.03%	97.3%
<code>gemini-3-pro-preview</code>	99.63%	70.03%	72.70%	63.37%	76.43%	87.5%
<code>gpt-5</code>	97.29%	77.93%	82.60%	85.20%	85.76%	86.6%
<code>grok-4.1-fast</code>	92.50%	55.66%	74.23%	54.09%	69.11%	83.20%
<code>olmo-3-32b-think</code>	74.67%	48.99%	33.16%	47.44%	51.07%	47.6%
<code>phi-4-reasoning-plus</code>	48.57%	31.26%	09.70%	30.64%	30.04%	16.7%

949 Table 8: Breakdown of cross-model grading performance under Zero-Shot, embed-RAG, and expert-
950 RAG configurations, augmented with human evaluation scores for each model.

952 A.4 PERFORMANCE SENSITIVITY TO LANGUAGE, IMAGE PRESENCE AND TOPICS
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954 We analyze how model accuracy varies with two factors: (1) the presence of figures in the test sample and (2)
955 the language of the sample.

956 Table 9: Average accuracy by model (best in **bold**, second best underlined)
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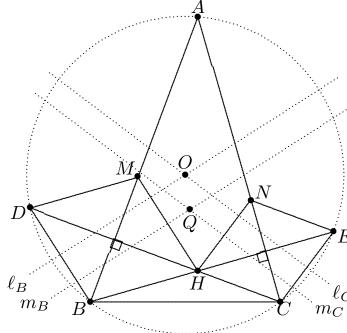
Model	Has figures	No figures
<code>Minstral-3B</code>	4.72%	6.95%
<code>grok-3</code>	12.25%	19.39%
<code>gpt-5-mini</code>	<u>75.51%</u>	<u>85.20%</u>
<code>gpt-5-nano</code>	63.24%	74.14%
<code>gpt-4.1</code>	26.56%	39.29%
<code>gpt-4o</code>	9.38%	17.03%
<code>gpt-5</code>	76.56%	88.50%
<code>DeepSeek-R1</code>	16.48%	26.53%
<code>DeepSeek-V3-0324</code>	5.53%	10.14%
<code>Llama-4-Maverick-17B</code>	13.94%	21.43%

971 We find that all models experience some drop in accuracy when problems include figures, regardless of their
972 overall capability. This suggests that visual–text integration remains a challenging dimension across the board.

972 However, the magnitude of the drop differs substantially by model strength. Less capable models (e.g., Minstral-
 973 3B, DeepSeek-V3) not only perform poorly overall but also show consistently low accuracy on figure-based
 974 questions, indicating limited visual understanding. In contrast, stronger models such as GPT-5 and GPT-5
 975 mini still exhibit a small decline when figures are present, but they maintain high absolute performance in both
 976 settings, demonstrating comparatively robust multimodal reasoning.

977 Problem with Figure

979 **Problem.** Let $\triangle ABC$ be an acute triangle satisfying $AB > BC$ and $AC > BC$. Let O and H be the
 980 circumcentre and orthocentre of $\triangle ABC$. The circumcircle of $\triangle AHC$ meets AB again at $M \neq A$,
 981 and the circumcircle of $\triangle AHB$ meets AC again at $N \neq A$. Prove that the circumcentre of $\triangle MNH$
 982 lies on the Euler line OH .



996 GPT-5 Solution.

997 Let $\triangle ABC$ be acute with $AB > BC$ and $AC > BC$. Define M and N as in the problem.
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1000 *1) Angles from the defining circles.* Because M lies on the circumcircle of AHC and N on
 1001 that of AHB ,

$$1004 \angle AMH = \angle ANH = 90^\circ - A.$$

1005 This yields

$$1006 \angle MHN = 180^\circ - A = \angle BHC.$$

1008 *2) Similarity.* Angles at M and B are both 90° ; similarly for N and C . Thus

$$1011 \triangle HMN \sim \triangle HBC,$$

1013 implying a spiral similarity at H .

1014 *3) Circumcentres.* Let X be the
 1015 circumcentre of $\triangle HMN$ and U
 1016 that of $\triangle HBC$. Spiral similarity
 1017 about H sends U to X , hence
 1018 H, U, X are collinear. Since U
 1019 lies on OH , we conclude $X \in OH$.

$$1020 X \in OH.$$

996 Mistral-3B Solution.

1. Identify points: O = circumcentre of ABC , H = orthocentre, M, N from intersecting the circles of AHC and AHB with AB, AC .

2. Geometry facts: Since M, N lie on those circles, they relate to the orthocentric configuration. OH is the Euler line of ABC .

3. Euler line property (stated): The model asserts that circumcentres of triangles formed from points on such circles and H lie on OH , though this is *not* a valid theorem.

4. Conclusion (unjustified): Therefore, the circumcentre of $\triangle MNH$ lies on OH .

Claim: $X \in OH$.

(Note: This argument is not mathematically valid.)

996 Official Solution.

Extend CH and BH to meet the circumcircle of ABC at D and E . From cyclic quadrilateral $AMHC$ and the perpendicularity relations,

$$\angle BMH = \angle MBH,$$

so CD is a symmetry axis of $\triangle BMH$. Similarly AB is a symmetry axis of $\triangle DBH$. Thus $HBDM$ is a rhombus; likewise $HCEN$ is a similar rhombus.

Let ℓ_B, ℓ_C be the perpendicular bisectors of BD and CE ; they meet at O . Let m_B, m_C be the perpendicular bisectors of MH and NH ; they meet at the circumcentre Q of $\triangle MNH$.

A dilation about H maps $BD \rightarrow MH$ and $CE \rightarrow NH$, thus mapping $\ell_B \rightarrow m_B$ and $\ell_C \rightarrow m_C$. Hence the intersection O maps to Q .

Since H is the centre of dilation, points H, O, Q are collinear.

$$Q \in OH.$$

1022 **Why This Problem Is Difficult for LLMs.** This geometry problem requires a long, multi-step chain
 1023 of reasoning. The figure encodes critical structural cues, as a result, frontier models like gpt-5 can
 1024 reconstruct the full Olympiad-style argument, while weaker models like Mistral-3B fail to produce a
 1025 valid proof.

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1027Table 10: Average accuracy by model and language (best in **bold**, second best underlined).1028
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Model	en	zh	es	mn
Minstral-3B	6.22%	<u>1.55%</u>	4.60%	0%
grok-3	17.00%	7.40%	10.34%	15.38%
gpt-5-mini	<u>82.06%</u>	<u>65.62%</u>	<u>77.65%</u>	<u>50.00%</u>
gpt-5-nano	70.56%	51.36%	65.12%	49.65%
gpt-4.1	34.79%	18.35%	50.00%	0%
gpt-4o	14.35%	2.72%	21.61%	15.38%
gpt-5	84.27%	74.38%	78.16%	63.64%
DeepSeek-R1	23.23%	5.43%	15.91%	14.29%
DeepSeek-V3-0324	8.49%	3.53%	12.79%	0%
Llama-4-Maverick	18.97%	5.47%	13.10%	0%

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While several models perform reasonably in English, many degrade sharply in non-English settings—especially Mongolian, where multiple models score 0%. Even high-performing models show reduced accuracy in Mongolian, but the relative drop is far smaller: GPT-5 and GPT-5 mini remain the strongest models across all tested languages and are the least affected by cross-lingual shifts. This indicates that although Mongolian remains an especially difficult language for current LLMs, frontier-tier models exhibit significantly improved multilingual robustness.

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A.5 ERROR ANALYSIS

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We present both quantitative and qualitative analyses of model performance. First, we engaged human graders to record observations of failure cases across 1,470 generated solutions. Second, we measured model performance across 82 distinct skills and topics within the Math Olympiad curriculum (see Appendix A.2).

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Based on grader feedback, the models demonstrate high proficiency in predicting the final answer (87.3% average accuracy); however, they struggle to generate coherent, rigorous proofs. The most common failure mode is attempting to generalize from specific examples, assuming this constitutes a sufficient proof. For instance, in Number Theory, models tend to verify cases modulo different primes and conclude the proof is complete without rigorous generalization. In Functional Equations, models often identify simple candidate solutions (e.g., linear, constant, or quadratic forms) and assume these are the unique solutions, failing to prove that no other solutions exist.

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Regarding the skillset breakdown, we found that LLMs struggle most significantly with Combinatorics problems that require clever construction and cannot be solved via brute force. Number Theory also presents significant challenges. Conversely, models perform best in Algebraic problems that can be expressed purely through equation manipulation.

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Finally, we observed a specific failure case in our MathRAG experiments: performance degrades when the retrieved problem (via embed-RAG) is irrelevant. This distraction causes a performance drop in 22% of such cases.

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A.6 DATASET STATISTICS AND EXAMPLES

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We report summary statistics including per-language and per-domain distributions, subtopic frequencies, and problem/solution length profiles, with additional visualizations. For access to full dataset, refer to <http://mathnet.netlify.app/>.

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Target Problem and Expert RAG Problem

Target Problem. Show that there are no 2-tuples (x, y) of positive integers satisfying

$$(x + 1)(x + 2) \cdots (x + 2014) = (y + 1)(y + 2) \cdots (y + 4028).$$

Source: 2014 Chinese TST

RAG-Expert Problem. Alireza multiplied one billion consecutive natural numbers, while Matin multiplied two million consecutive natural numbers. Prove that their two products cannot be equal; therefore, if they claim to have obtained the same number, at least one of them must have made a mistake.

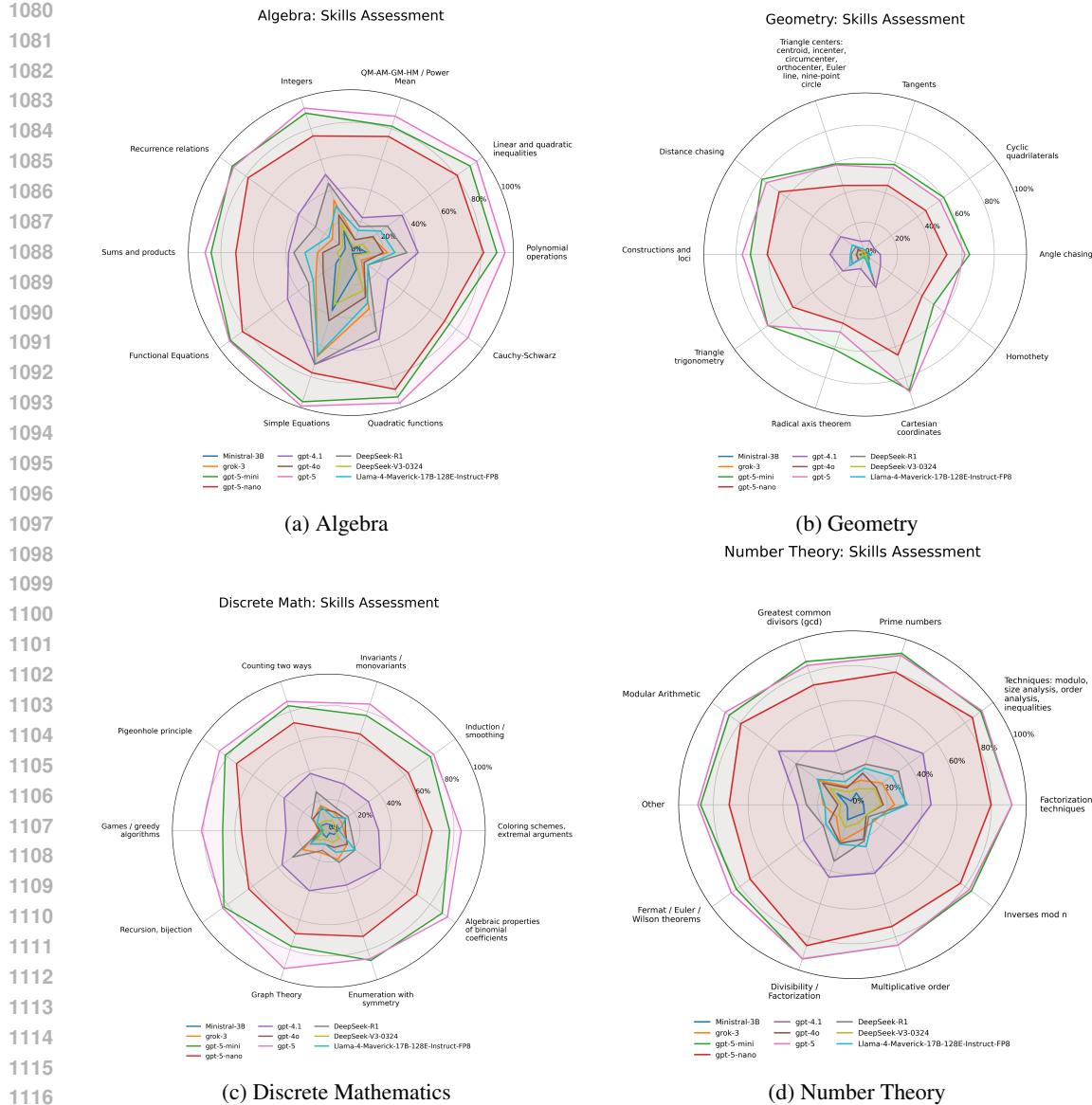


Figure 5: Breakdown of performance across four domains: (a) Algebra, (b) Geometry, (c) Discrete Mathematics, (d) Number Theory.

Language	English	Spanish	Arabic	Russian	Roman	Bulgarian	Persian	German	Chinese	Ukrainian	Mongolian
Count	16154	242	200	180	60	52	70	23	418	83	30

Table 11: Problems Distribution per Language

A.7 PROMPTS

We include the core prompts used for extraction, evaluation, and metadata classification. These are the exact versions used in our experiments.

Listing 1: System prompt for solution extraction

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sys_prompt = """  
    You are an expert in extracting mathematical problems and solutions.  
    I will provide you with:  
        - One math problem
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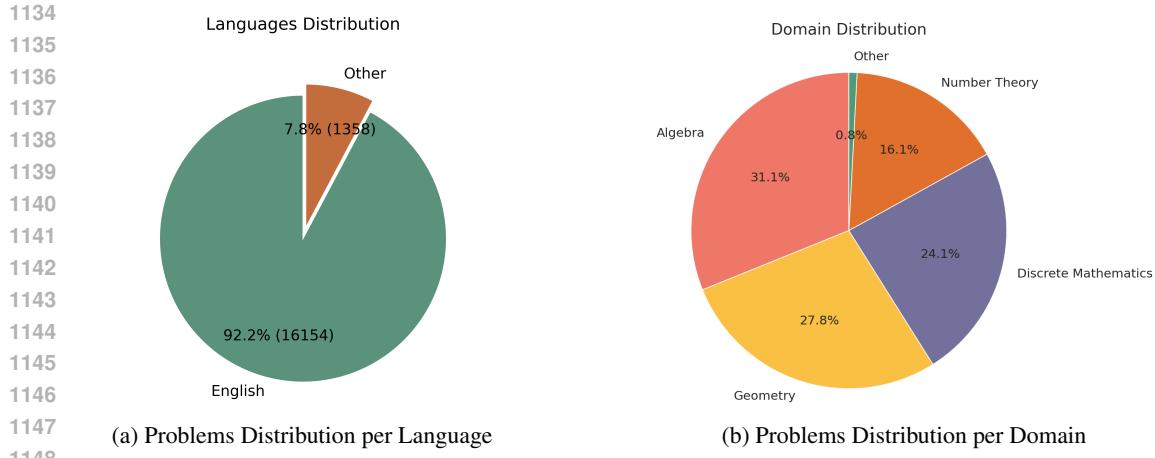


Figure 6: Distribution of problems across languages and domains.

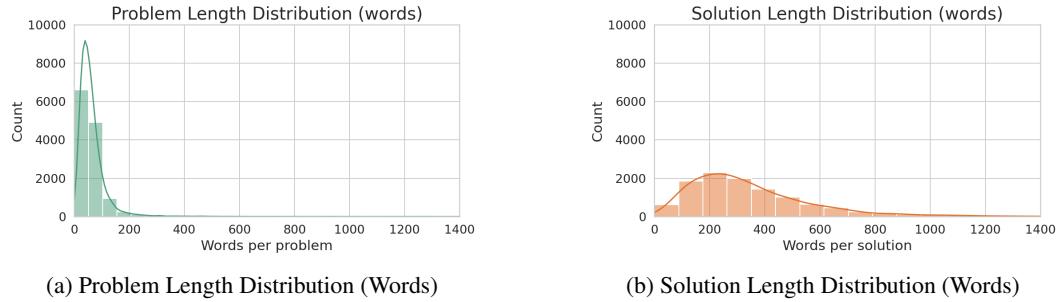


Figure 7: Problems vs Solutions (Length Distribution) (words)

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1165 - Multiple pages
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1169 extract the solution in multiple points
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1171 write '"Not found"' as the value.
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1175 as: <table><thead><tr><th>Team</th><th>T1</th><th>T2</th><th>T3</th></thead><tbody><tr><td>T4</td><td>T5</td><td>T6</td><td>T7</td><td>T8</td><td>Total</td></tr></tbody></table>
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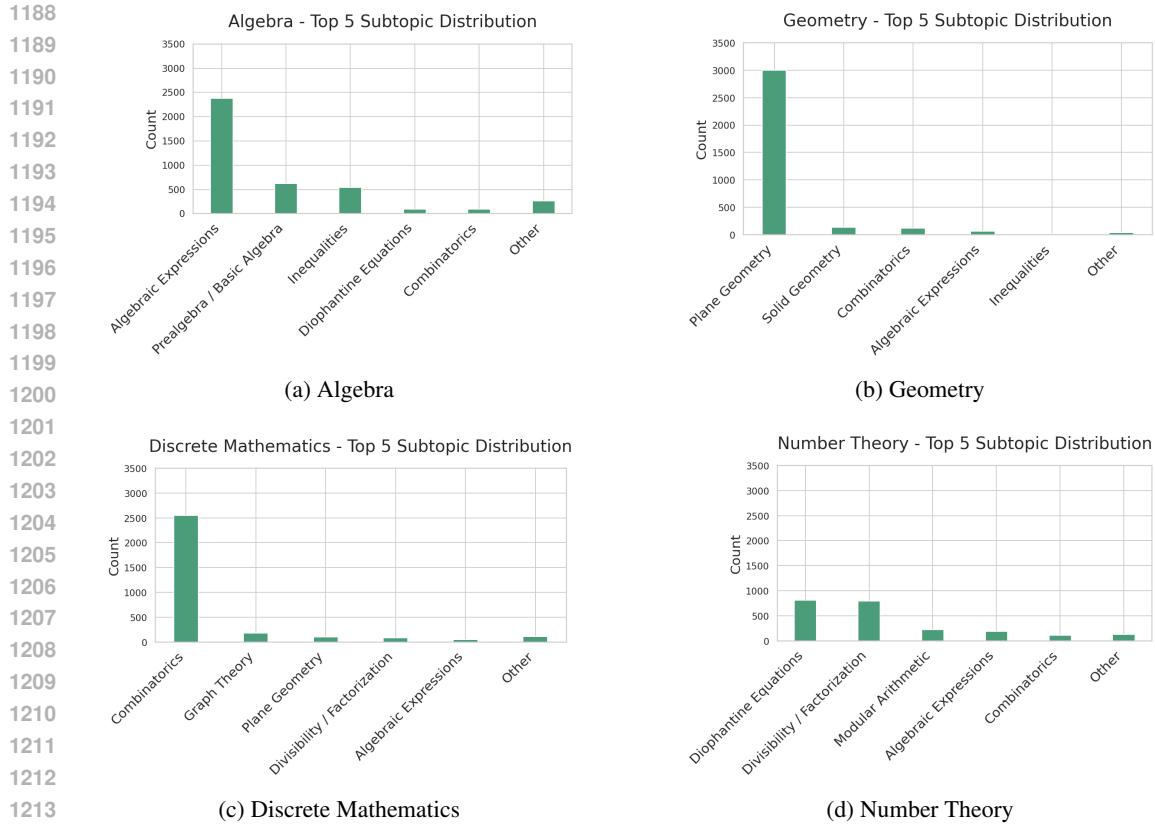


Figure 8: Domain subtopic distribution

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1218     "has_solution": "bool, if solution was found and extracted set to  
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1220     "solution_page_number": "the page number where the solution is  
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1222     "solution_latex": "extracted solution in latex format"  
1223     "solution_parts": [  
1224         "part_label": "label of the part"  
1225         "part_latex": "extracted part solution in latex format"  
1226     ]  
1227 }  
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Listing 2: System prompt for evaluation

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1232 sys_prompt_eval = """
1233     You are an expert in evaluating mathematical problems and solutions.
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1235     I will supply you with a problem and its solution(s), including
1236     alternative solutions if available.
1237     Your task is to evaluate based on the following criteria:
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1239     1. **Extraction completeness:** All main parts of the solution must
1240     have been correctly extracted. Missing or truncated content should be
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1242     2. **Problem-solution match:** Ensure that the solution corresponds
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1244     unrelated, it should be noted.
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Listing 3: System prompt for topics, final answer, and metadata extraction

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SYSTEM_PROMPT = r"""
You are a rigorous matholympiad content analyzer.

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You will be given one problem package containing:

- A problem statement
- One or more official solutions (labeled Solution 1, Solution 2,)
- Optional final answers

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1. TOPIC EXTRACTION

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- Assign the problem its most specific topics from the taxonomy.
- Each topic path must be an array of strings from general specific.
- Include ALL paths relevant to the problem or solutions.
- Every topic path must be a verbatim copy of a path from the taxonomy.
- No paraphrasing, renaming, reordering, or combining nodes.
- Every topic must begin with "Topics".

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2. MAIN IDEAS / TRICKS / TOOLS

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- Produce a bullet list of the key structural insights or tools used.
- Examples:
 - Techniques used
 - Classical lemmas or theorems applied
 - Core inequality strategies
 - Key constructions or combinatorial ideas
- Do NOT retell the whole solution; extract the essential tools.

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3. NATURAL-LANGUAGE PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

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- Summarize the core task of the problem in normal English.
- NO mathematical symbols at all (no variables, no equations, no angle notation, etc.)
- A high-level, intuitive, short description.

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4. PROBLEM TYPE CLASSIFICATION

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Classify the problem into exactly one of the following:

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- "proof only": no explicit final numeric/closed-form answer is required.
- "final answer only": problem only asks for a value/choice with no proof required.
- "proof and answer": requires both reasoning and a final value/statement.
- "MCQ": problem requires choosing from given options.

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5. FINAL ANSWER EXTRACTION

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- If the problem requires a final numeric/closed-form expression, value, or choice, extract it.
- If the problem's nature does NOT require a final answer (e.g., proof-only), output 'null'.

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Specific rules:

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1351     - If multiple solutions exist, the final answer must match the official
1352         answer section if present.
1353     - Accept integers, expressions, ranges, choices, constructed forms, etc.
1354     - For MCQ, return the *selected option* if identifiable; otherwise null.
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1356 TAXONOMY BLOCK
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1358 Use this taxonomy for the topics field.
1359 Each topic path must follow the hierarchy strictly.
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1361     Topics
1362         Geometry
1363             Plane Geometry
1364                 Triangles
1365                     Triangle centers: centroid, incenter,
1366                         circumcenter, orthocenter, Euler line,
1367                         nine-point circle
1368                     Triangle inequalities
1369                     Triangle trigonometry
1370             Quadrilaterals
1371                 Cyclic quadrilaterals
1372                 Inscribed/circumscribed quadrilaterals
1373                 Quadrilaterals with perpendicular diagonals
1374             Circles
1375                 Coaxal circles
1376                 Tangents
1377                 Radical axis theorem
1378                 Circle of Apollonius
1379                 Concurrency and Collinearity
1380                     Cevas theorem
1381                     Menelaus theorem
1382                     ... (more topics here)
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1384 OUTPUT FORMAT (STRICT JSON)
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1387     Return ONLY a JSON object:
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1389     {
1390         "topics": [
1391             ["Topics", "...", "..."],
1392             ["Topics", "...", "..."]
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1394         "main_ideas": [
1395             "key idea 1",
1396             "key idea 2",
1397             "key idea 3"
1398         ],
1399         "natural_language_description": "...",
1400         "final_answer": "... or null",
1401         "problem_type": "proof only | final answer only | proof and answer | MCQ",
1402         "confidence": 0.01.0
1403     }
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1405     Rules:
1406     - NO text outside the JSON.
1407     - NO markdown in the output.
1408     - natural_language_description must contain zero mathematical symbols.
1409     - Confidence reflects how certain you are about the classification.
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1404 A.8 LLMs USAGE IN THE PAPER
14051406 The authors made use of large language models (LLMs) primarily to support the writing process, including
1407 polishing the text for clarity and readability. In addition, LLMs were employed to assist in refining the design of
1408 the project website as well as the interface used by annotators.

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