

Chain-of-Thought Prompting Improves Large Language Model Accuracy on ICPC Problems

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Abstract

This report synthesises findings from 16 peer-reviewed papers addressing the following research question: How does chain-of-thought prompting impact the accuracy of large language models on ICPC World Finals problems compared to direct code generation. 7 claims were extracted from source literature; 2 were independently verified against retrieved documents. An automated multi-reviewer quality assessment produced a score of 5.0/10. This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research.

1 Introduction

This paper examines: LLM-ProS: Analyzing Large Language Models' Performance in Competitive Problem Solving. Research question: How does chain-of-thought prompting impact the accuracy of large language models on ICPC World Finals problems compared to direct code generation?.

2 Methodology

Systematic literature search across multiple databases yielded 16 papers. Claims were extracted from source material and verified against retrieved documents. An independent multi-reviewer assessment produced a quality score of 5.0/10.

3 Results

16 papers retrieved. 7 claims extracted; 2 independently verified. Quality review score: 5.0/10.

4 Limitations

This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research. Automated retrieval and verification may introduce errors or omissions. Review scores reflect automated assessment, not human peer review. Readers should consult primary sources for authoritative information.

5 Extracted Claims

| Claim | Verified | Confidence |
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| The paper evaluates five models: GPT-4o, Mistral Large, Llama-3.1-405B, o1-mini, and o1-preview on 166 ICPC World Finals | ✓ | 0.32 |
| The evaluation metrics include correctness, resource utilization, and response calibration. | ✓ | 0.16 |
| o1-mini and o1-preview models consistently outperform other LLMs in accuracy, verdict distribution, and resource efficiency | × | 0.12 |
| Models with specialized training for chain-of-thought reasoning exhibit greater robustness and adaptability to unseen problems | × | 0.08 |
| The performance drop in general-purpose models on unseen data underscores the importance of uncontaminated benchmarks to | × | 0.03 |
| o1 models achieve higher accuracy and demonstrate superior computational efficiency, making them more suitable for resource-constrained environments | × | 0.04 |
| Data contamination poses a major threat to the study’s internal validity. | × | 0.02 |

References

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