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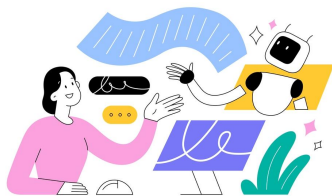
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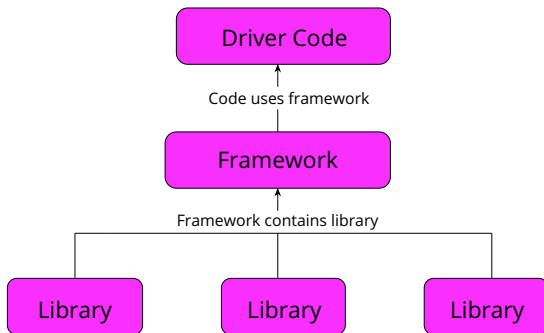
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Generative AI tools like ChatGPT are revolutionizing various domains, including software engineering. But can we trust their responses?

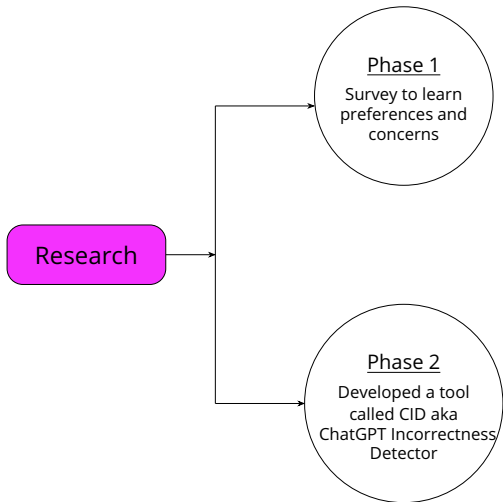


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Developers are increasingly using ChatGPT for SE tasks like library selection



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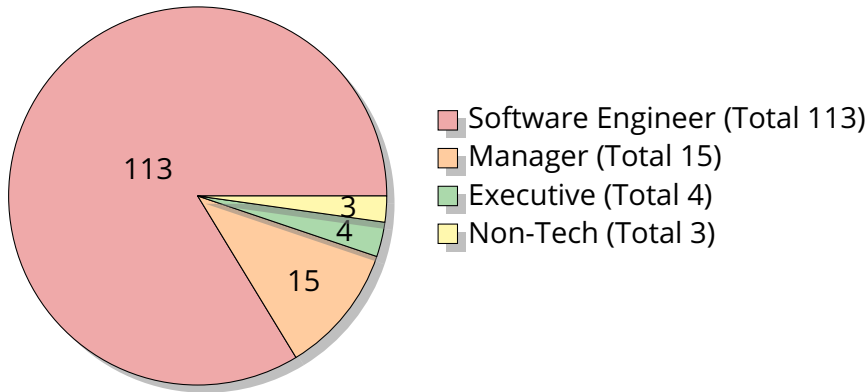
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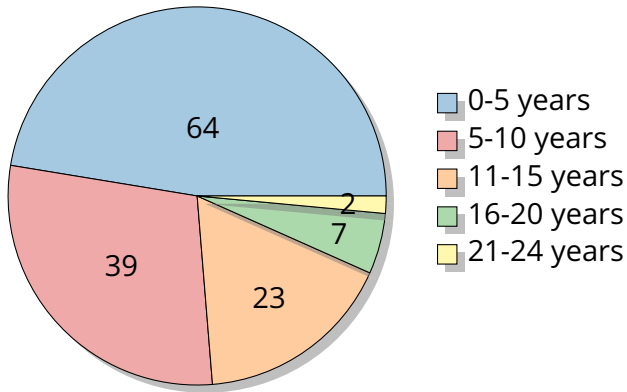
- Conducted a survey with 135 SE practitioners.
- Aimed to answer three Research Questions (RQs):
 - **RQ1:** Why do software developers use ChatGPT?
 - **RQ2:** How much do developers rely on ChatGPT responses?
 - **RQ3:** How do developers verify ChatGPT responses?

Participant Demographics (Current Profession)



Total Participants = 135

Participant Demographics (Years of Experience)



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Survey Questions

Table: Survey questions and their mapping to the Research Questions. Here, C/O=Close/Open-ended question, G/S=Generic/Scenario-based question. For scenario-based questions, we used library selection as a case-study.

Q#	Questions	O/C	G/S	RQ
1	Did you use ChatGPT?	C	G	1.1
2	In general, which of the cases you used it for?	C	G	1.1
3	As a software professional, how did you or can you use it?	C	G	1.1
4	How would you describe your experience with using it so far?	C	G	1.1
5	How much do you rely on the content/response of ChatGPT?	C	G	1.2
6	Have you considered using ChatGPT to select or compare software libraries? Please share the pros and cons.	O	S	1.2
7	How much would you rely on ChatGPT's response for the given library selection query?	C	S	1.3
8	Would you rely on the ChatGPT's response after further inquiry?	C	S	1.3
9	Do you think the opinion from ChatGPT is correct?	C	S	1.3
10	What can be the ways to improve the reliability of ChatGPT responses?	C	G	1.3

Reasons to use ChatGPT (RQ1)

The answers to the following questions help us to find the answer to Why developers used ChatGPT

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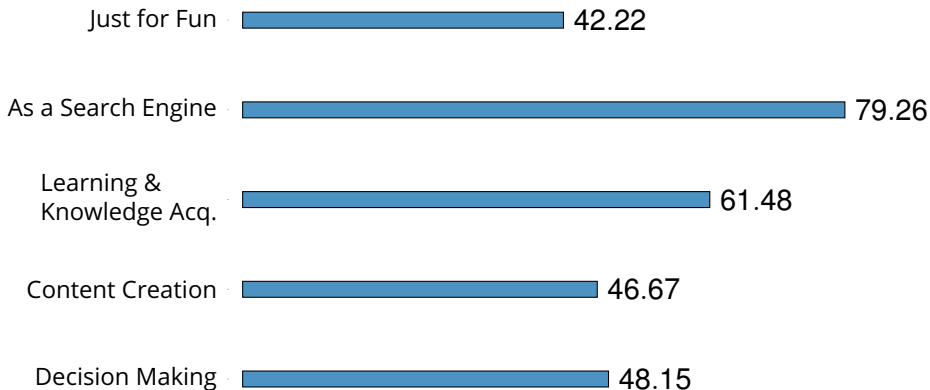
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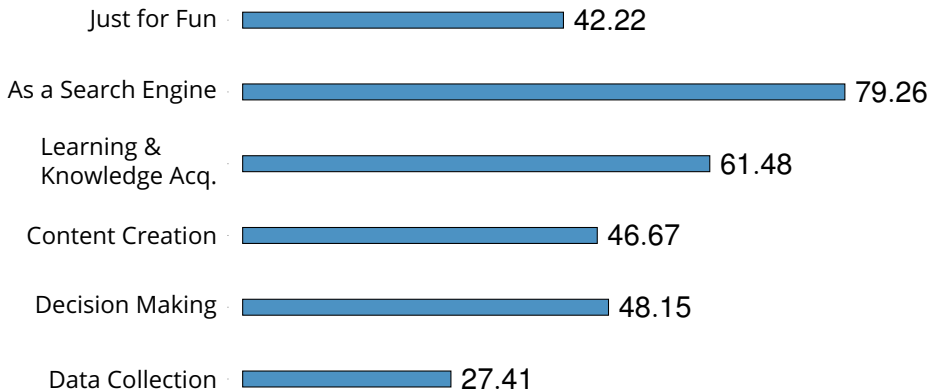
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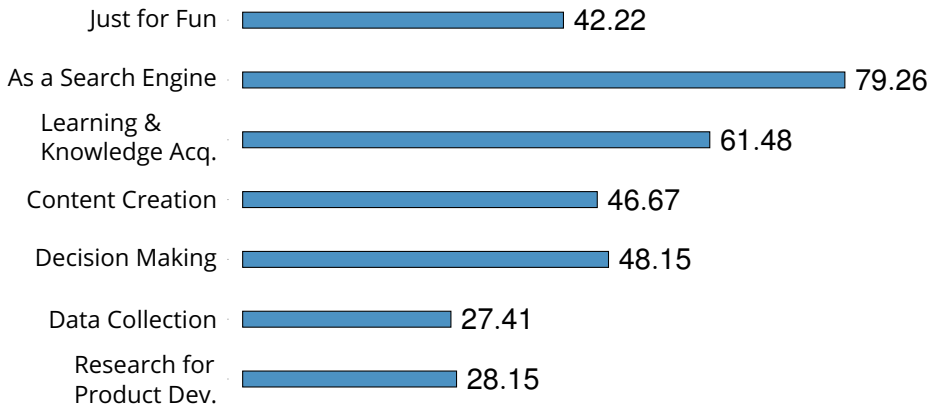
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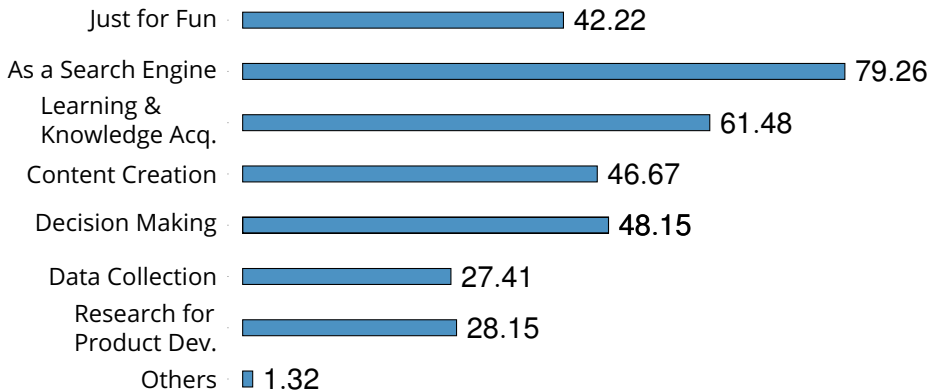
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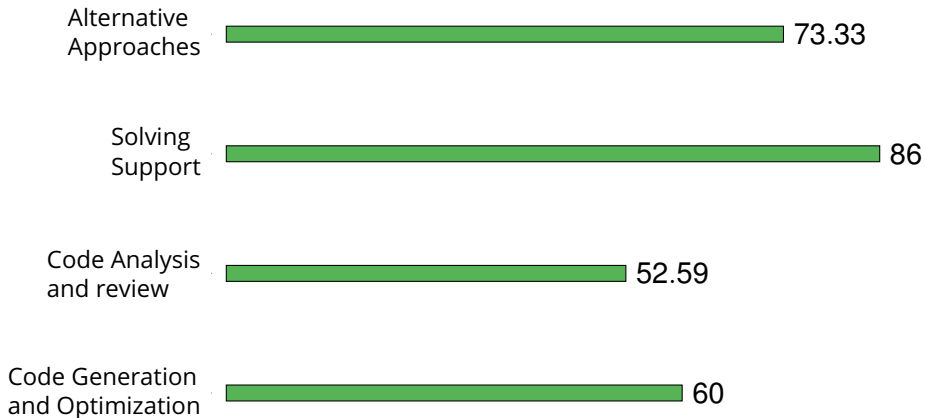
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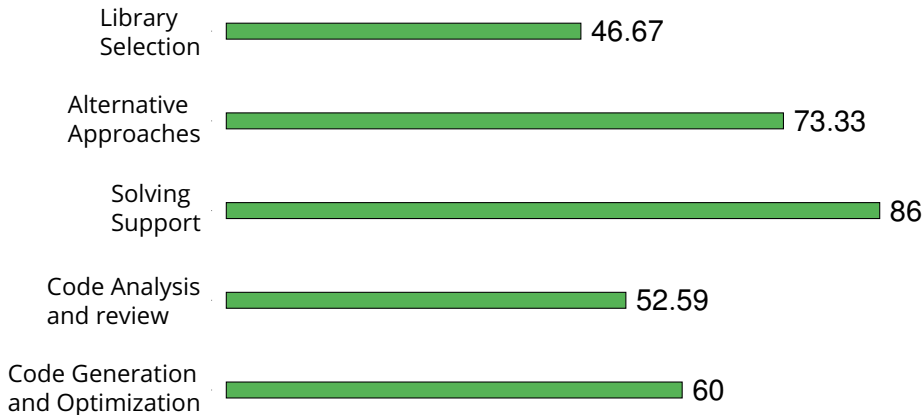
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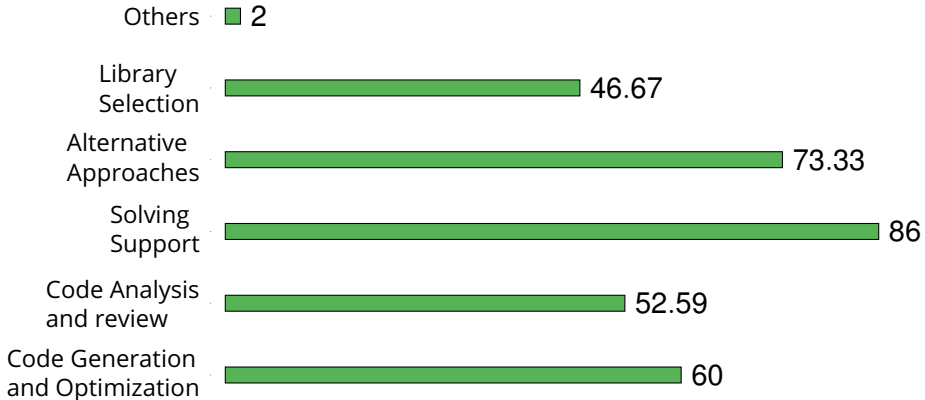
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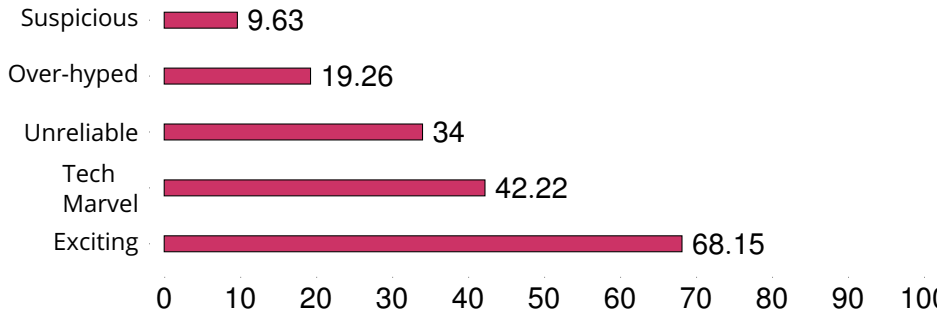
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Summarizing Key Findings for RQ1

- **Usage Purposes:**

- Code generation and optimization.
- Problem-solving support.
- Exploring alternative approaches.
- Library selection.

- **Experience:**

- Excitement and recognition of technological advancement.
- Concerns about reliability and overhyped expectations.

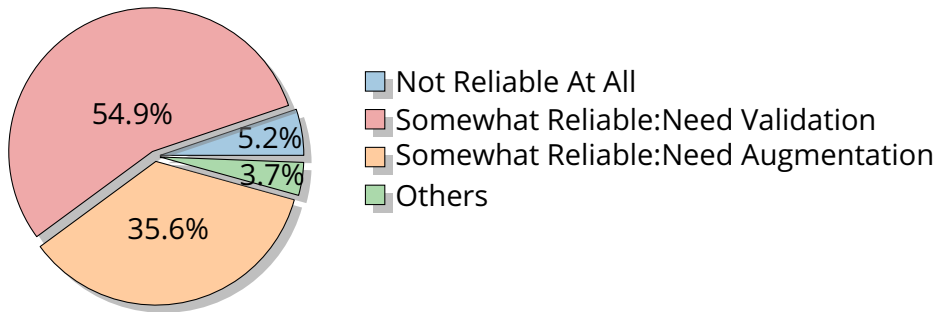
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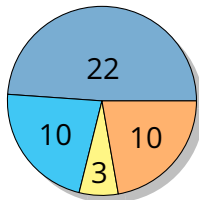
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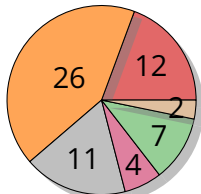
Pros and Cons for Library Selection (RQ2)

Pros : Total 45 responses



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Cons : Total 60 Responses

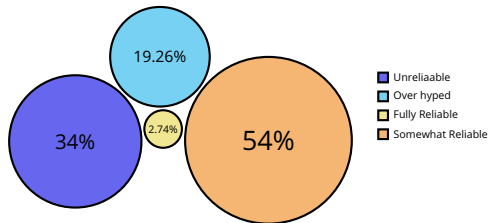


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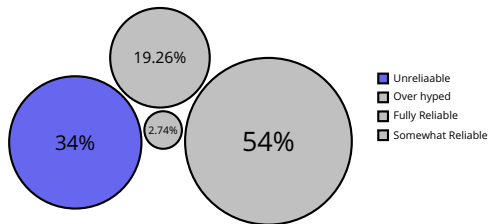
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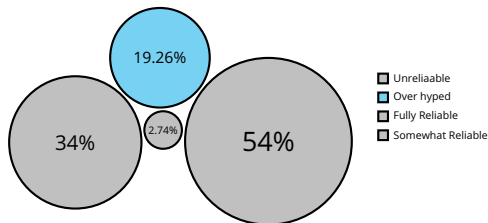
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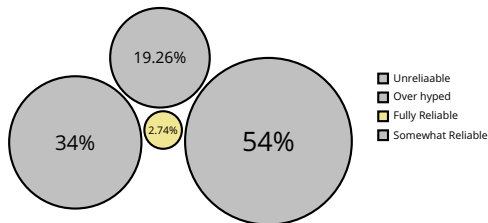
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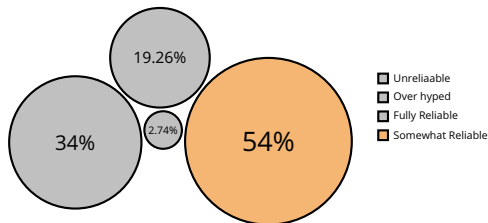
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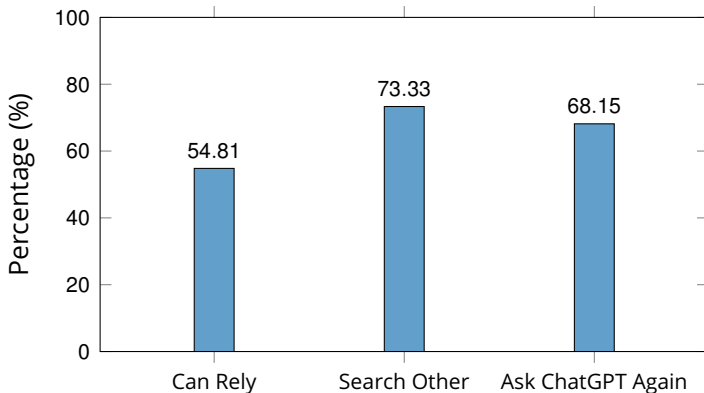


Verification of ChatGPT Responses (RQ3)

Participants were presented with conversations with ChatGPT where it was asked

- Suggestions
- More detail about a specific situation
- Reliability in SE real-world situations

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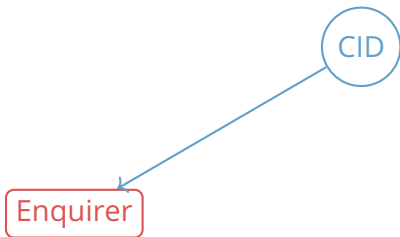
Introducing CID

- CID (ChatGPT Incorrectness Detector) tool uses iterative prompting to capture ChatGPT's inconsistency in a similar fashion to an actual Crime Investigation Department (CID).

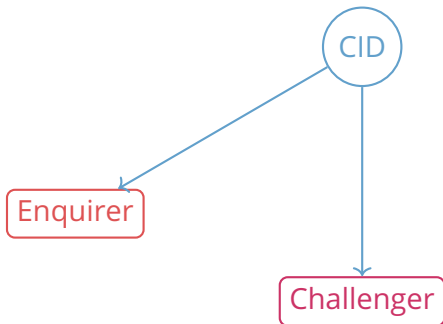
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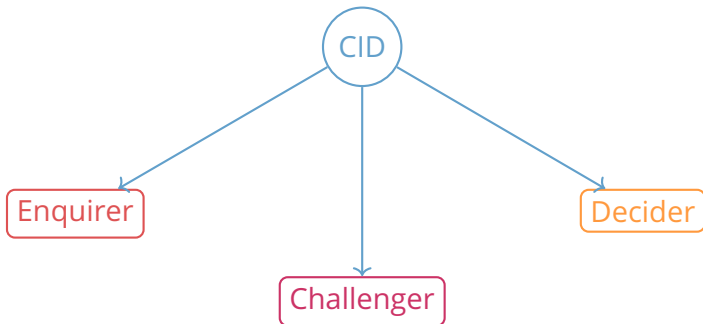
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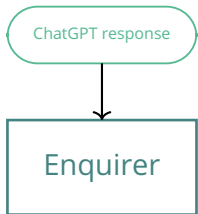
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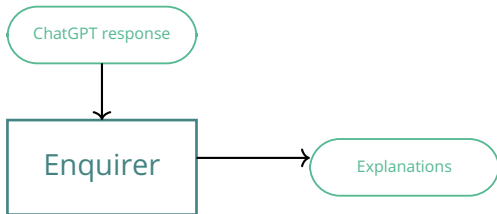


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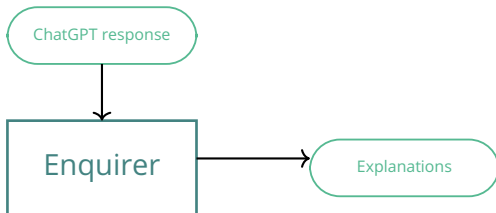
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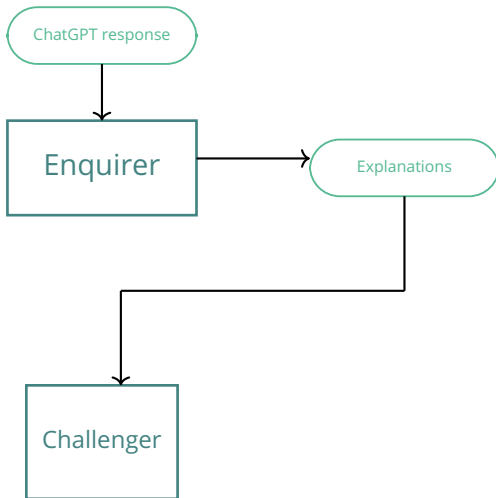
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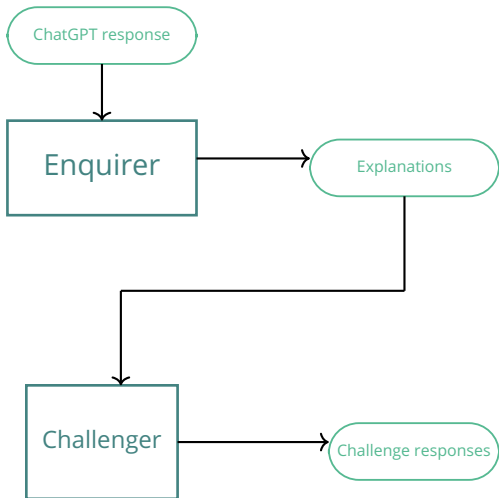
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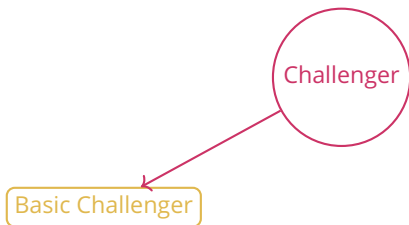




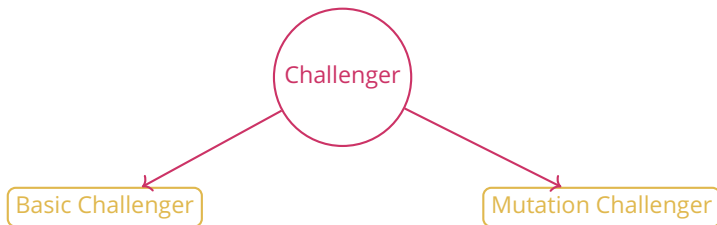
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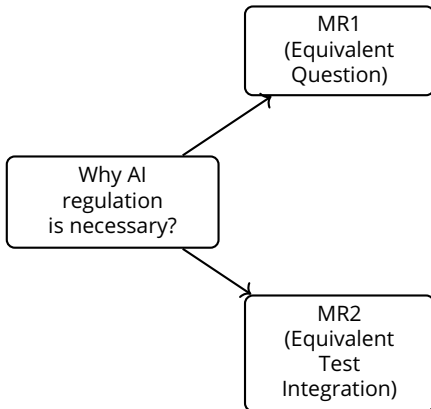
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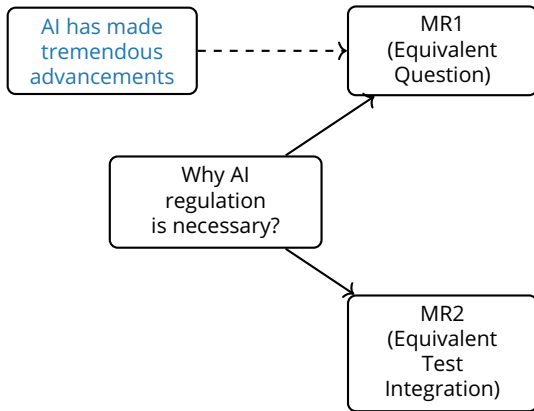
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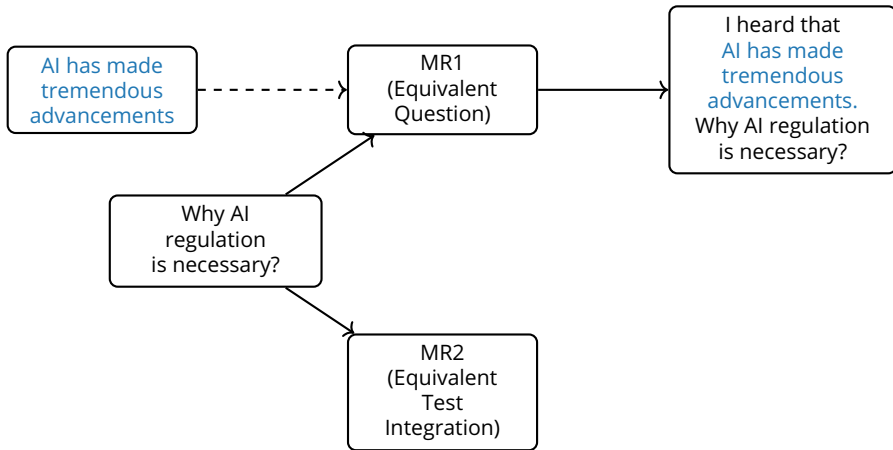
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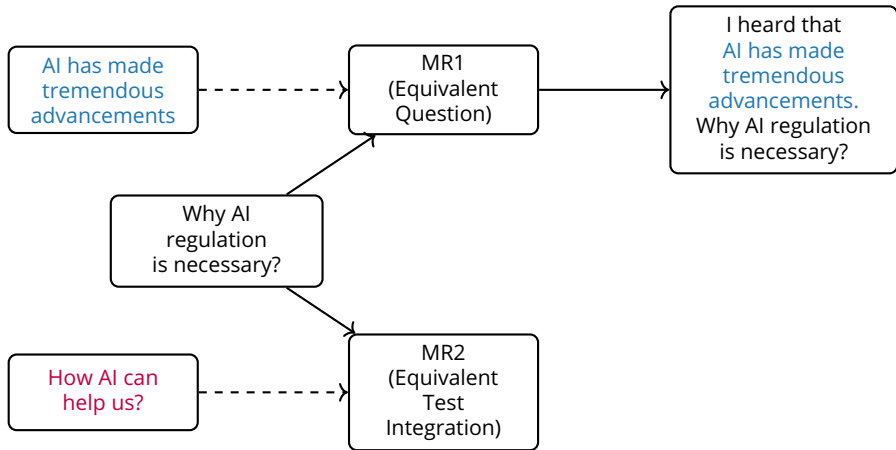
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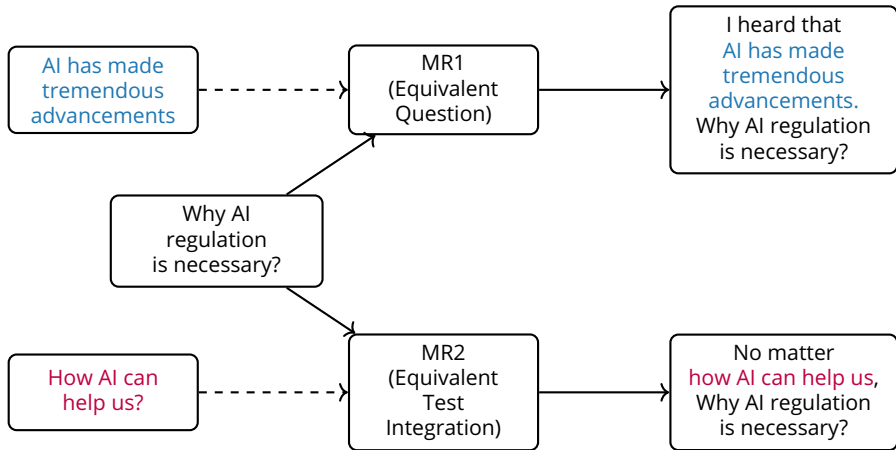
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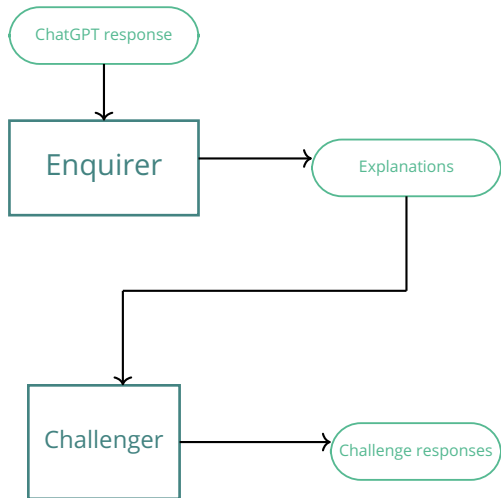


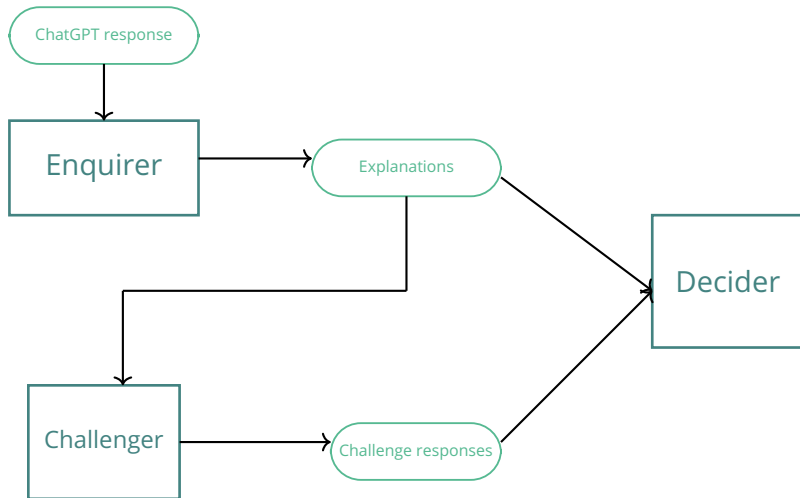
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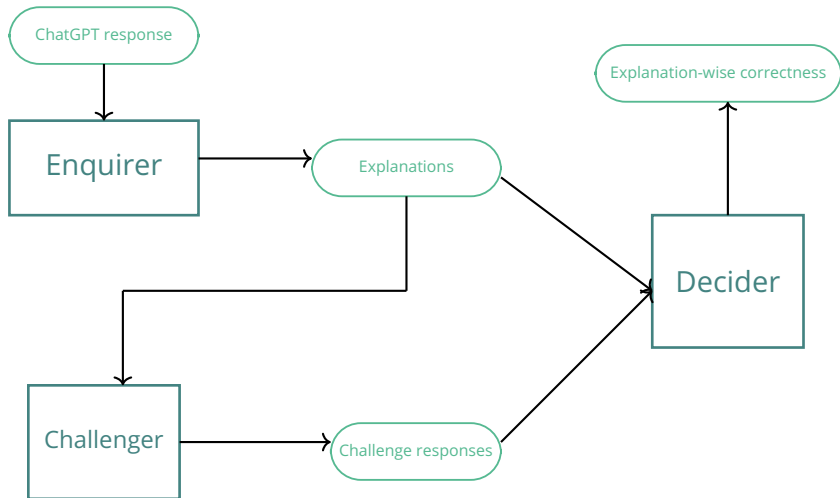


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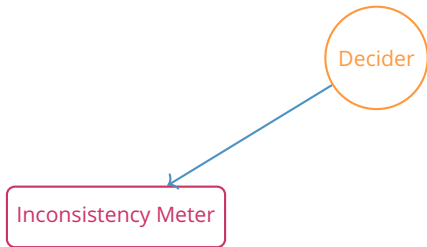




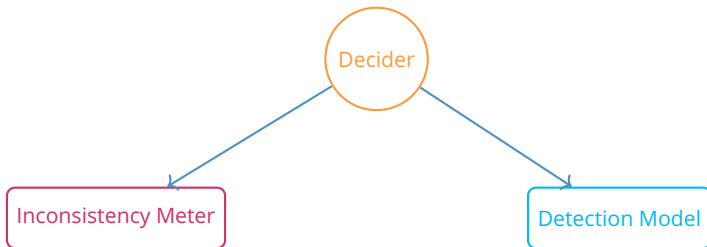
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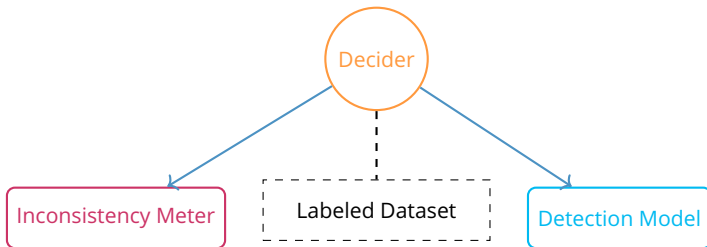
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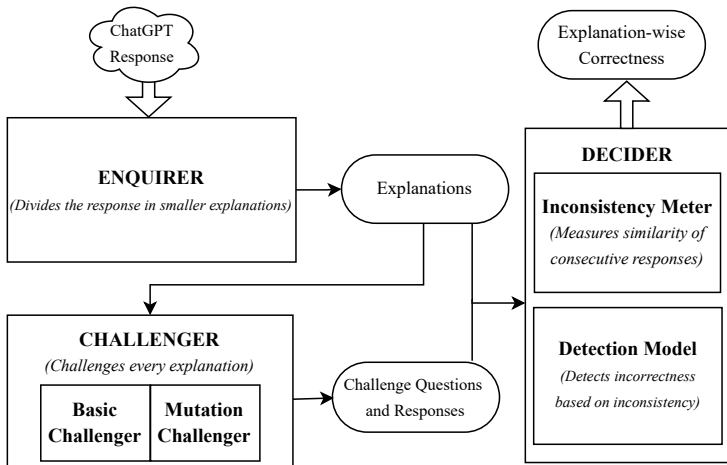
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CID Tool Overview



Evaluation of CID

- **Research Questions**

- **RQ4:** How accurate is CID in detecting incorrect responses?
- **RQ5:** How do the base and mutation challenge prompts impact performance?

Benchmark Study Setup

- **Context:** Software Library Selection Task
- **Dataset Collection:**
 - Collected 100 Stack Overflow (SO) posts
 - Focused on text processing libraries: **spaCy, NLTK, GSON**
 - Covered aspects like ease of use, performance, stability, etc.
- **Base Questions:**
 - Formulated questions based on SO posts
 - Example: *"How easy is it to use the library strictly based on the following conversation?"*

Visualizing the Benchmark Setup

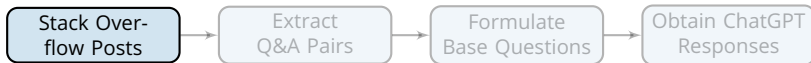


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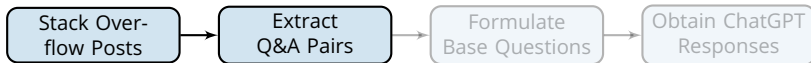


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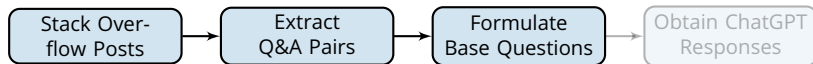


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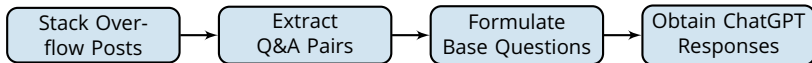


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CID Components Recap

ENQUIRER

- Extracts explanations from ChatGPT's base responses



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CID Components Recap

CHALLENGER

- Poses basic and mutated challenge questions
- Uses metamorphic relationships to mutate questions

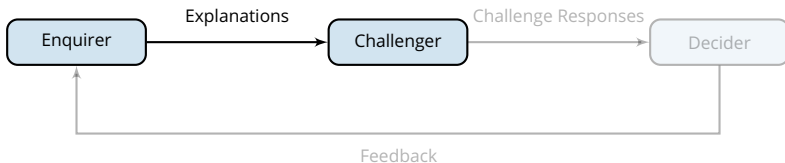


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DECIDER

- Analyzes inconsistencies
- Employs ML techniques to detect incorrectness

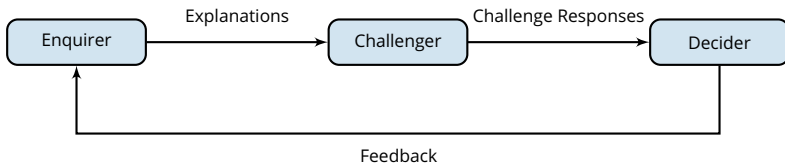


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Explanation Generation

Process:

- ChatGPT provides base responses to base questions
- ENQUIRER requests separate explanations for each piece of information

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Outcome:

- Generated 341 explanations from 100 posts
- **Labeling:**
 - **276 explanations (81%) labeled as correct**
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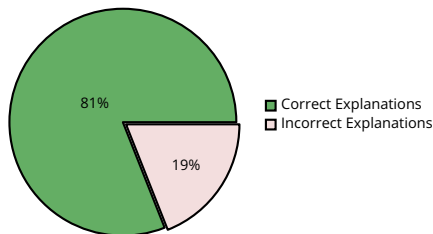


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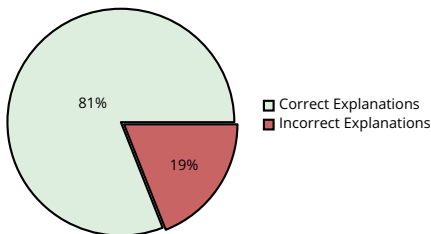


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Incorrectness Detection Performance (RQ4)

- **Machine Learning Models Evaluated:**

- Logistic Regression (LR)
- Random Forest (RF)
- Support Vector Machine (SVM)

- **Performance Metrics:**

- Precision (P), Recall (R), F1-Score (F1), Accuracy (A)

Model	P	R	A	F1
Logistic Regression (LR)	0.74	0.65	0.65	0.68
Random Forest (RF)	0.73	0.65	0.65	0.68
Support Vector Machine (SVM)	0.74	0.75	0.75	0.74

Table: ML model performance to detect ChatGPT incorrectness

Visualizing Model Performance

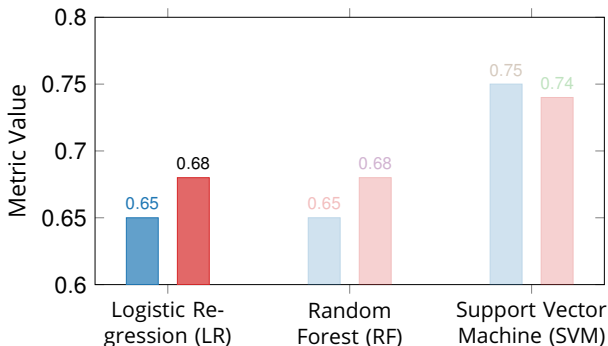


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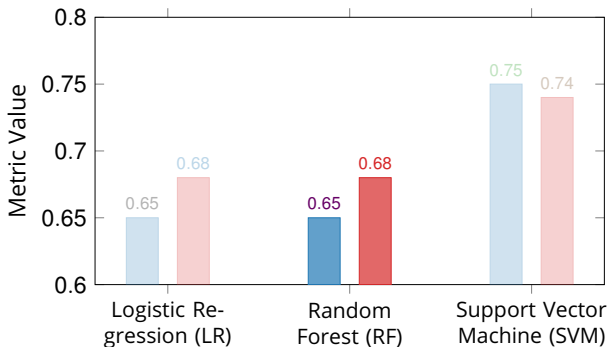


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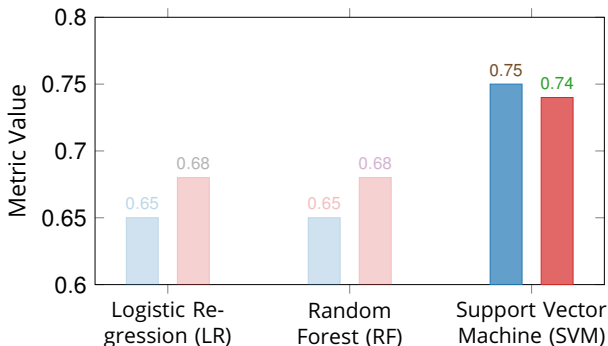


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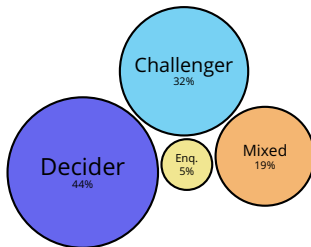


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 - Difficulty detecting unanimous incorrect responses

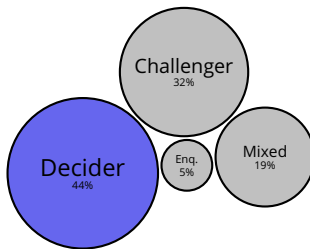


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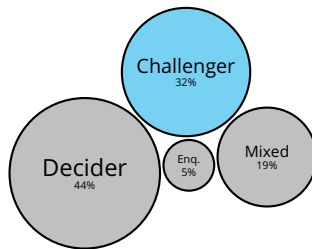


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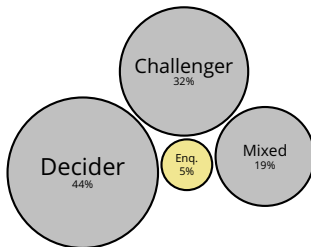


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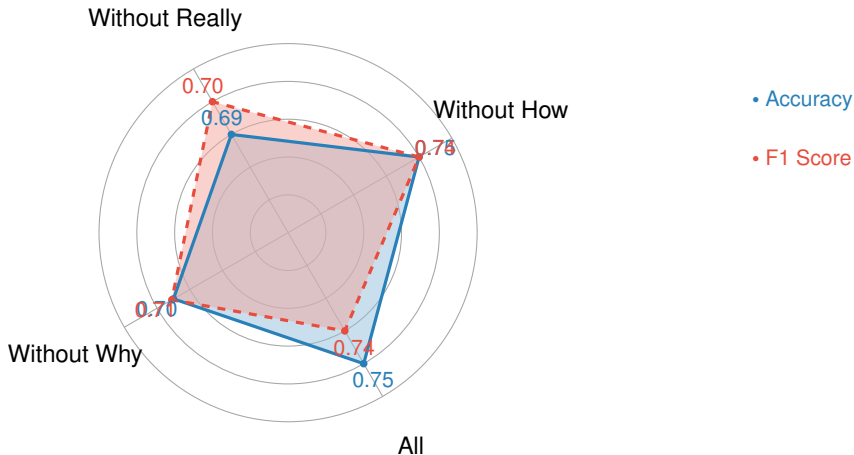
- **Experiment Setup:**

- Evaluated the impact of individual challenge prompts
- Tested performance by excluding each question type

Scenarios	Accuracy	F1-score
With all questions	0.75	0.74
Without <i>How</i> questions	0.75	0.75
Without <i>Really</i> questions	0.69	0.70
Without <i>Why</i> questions	0.70	0.71

Table: Impact of individual challenge prompts

Visualizing Impact of Challenge Prompts



Impact of Mutation & Basic Challenges

- **Key Findings:**

- Excluding mutation challenges reduced accuracy by 16% (from 75% to 63%)
- Excluding basic challenges reduced accuracy by 8% (from 75% to 69%)

Scenarios	Accuracy	F1-score
With Basic and Mutation Challenges	0.75	0.74
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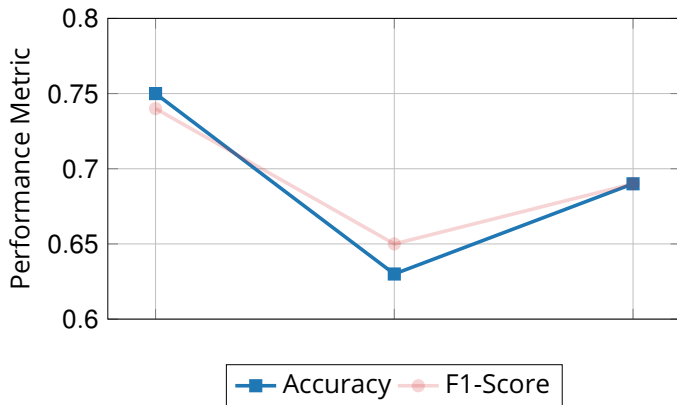


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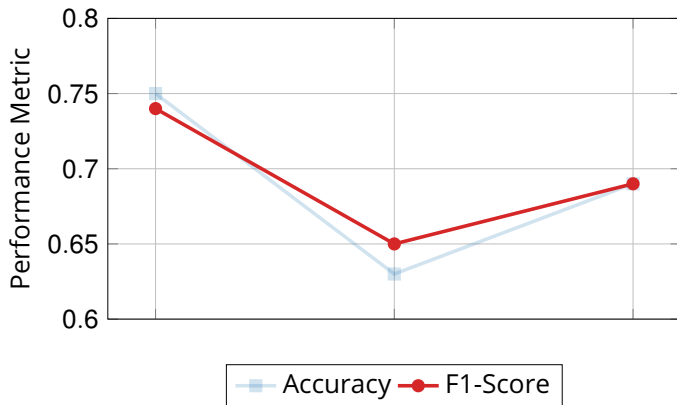


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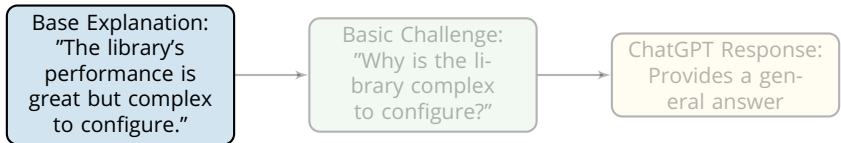
- **Scenario:**

- Base Explanation: "The library's performance is great but complex to configure."

Example of Mutation Impact - Basic Challenge

- **Basic Challenge:**

- Question: "Why is the library complex to configure?"
- ChatGPT Response: Provides a general answer



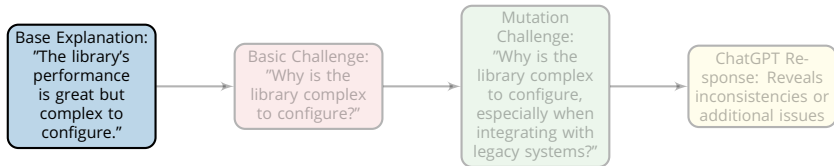
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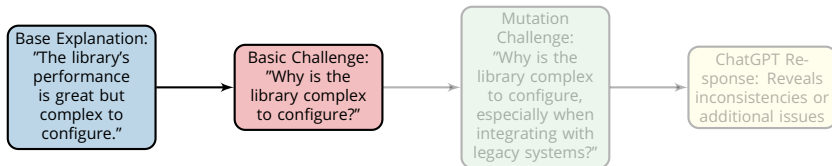
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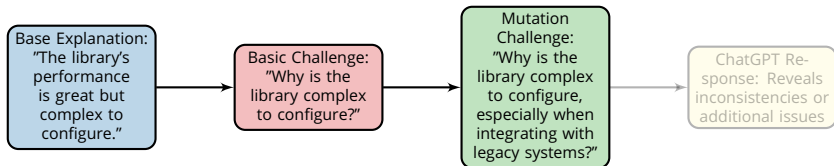
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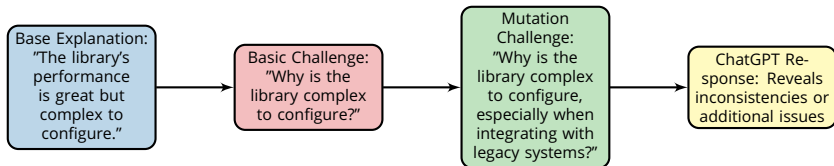
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Limitations of CID

- **Dataset and Labeling Constraints**
 - Relies on Stack Overflow data
 - Variability and potential bias in human-annotated labels
- **Similarity Measurement Challenges**
 - Current metrics may struggle with complex or nuanced responses.
 - Potential for misclassifications due to inadequate similarity assessments.
- **Limited Scope and Generalizability**
 - Evaluated primarily on software library selection tasks.
 - Effectiveness on other SE tasks remains unexplored.

Outline

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- 4 Evaluation of CID
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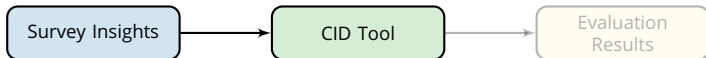
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- Identified concerns about response correctness



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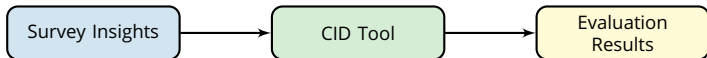
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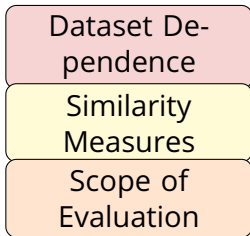
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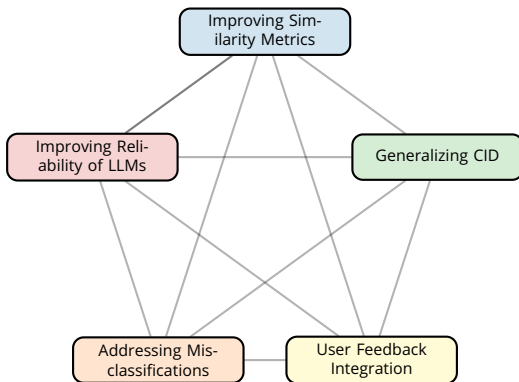


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Summary of Limitations

Future Work



Future Work Roadmap

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