

Small Language Reasoning Models

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Abstract

A rise of Small Language Models (SLMs) has been seen in the last few years; however, these models are being used as a general purpose models for a wide range of tasks such as text generation, translation, and summarization. These models became more popular due to usability and accessibility in limited hardware resource use cases. We propose a new class of foundational models that are trained to reason and problem solve one step at a time. Small Language Reasoning Models (SLRMs) are not meant for general chatbot applications but rather for internal reasoning and planning in agentic workflows.

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