Three Types of Reasoning Patterns in Current LLMs:

Q: "If a place receives less than 250 mm of precipitation annually, what climate does it likely have?", "Answer": "Arid" (nodeRaw)

Pattern1: Completion Based Reasoning

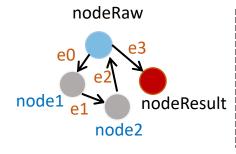
nodeRaw
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If [c.F], Q?, (a)

Middle step:
What is the Feature a?
[a.F] == [c.F]

Conclusion: a

Pattern2: Forward Reasoning

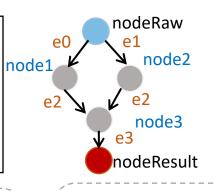


If [c.F], Q?, (a)

Middle step:
What is the def. of x?
[def.] → [c.F]

Conclusion: a

Pattern3: Combination + Verify



If [c.F], Q?, (a)

Middle step:
(1). def. of x?
(2). What is F a
3. If: [def.] = [a.F]?

Conclusion: a

e0: What is the threshold of annual precipitation for <u>arid or desert climates</u>? (in sub question directly ask about correct answer)

node1: Arid or desert climates typically have an annual precipitation threshold of less than 250 millimeters (10 inches)

e1: What is the final answer? nodeResult: Arid

e0: What is the <u>definition and classification</u> of climate types?

node1: arid (less than 250 mm), semi-arid (250-500 mm), humid subtropical (1,000-2,000 mm), and tropical wet (over 2,000 mm).

e1: More characteristics of an arid? (reason by narrowing down) (ask for details like human thinking) node2: ...

e2: What is the final answer? nodeResult: Arid

e0: <u>Definition and classification</u> of climate types?

node1:... (e0, e1) are two distinct steps, e1 directly knows answer; e0 try to reflect def.

e1: What are the characteristics of an arid?

e2: Does arid satisfy the queestion?

node3: Yes

e3: What is the final answer?

nodeResult: Arid