CodeFlowBench: A Multi-turn, Iterative Benchmark for Complex Code Generation

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Abstract

Modern software development demands code that is maintainable, testable, and scalable by organizing the implementation into modular components with iterative reuse of existing codes. We formalize this iterative, multi-turn paradigm as *codeflow* and introduce CodeFlowBench, the first benchmark designed to comprehensively evaluate LLMs' ability to perform codeflow – implementing new functionality by reusing existing functions over multiple turns. CodeFlowBench comprises 5,258 problems from Codeforces and is continuously updated via an automated pipeline, which decomposes each problem into subproblems with unit tests based on dependency tree analysis and dataflow analysis. We further propose a novel evaluation framework featured dual assessment protocol and structural metrics derived from dependency trees. Extensive experiments on 16 popular LLMs reveal significant performance degradation in multi-turn scenarios. For instance, o1-mini retains only 20.8% Pass@1 in multi-turn scenario versus 37.8% in single-turn scenario. More fine-grained analysis illustrates that model performance inversely correlates with dependency complexity. These findings not only highlight the critical challenges for supporting real-world workflows, but also establish CodeFlowBench as an essential tool for advancing code generation research.

1 Introduction

Large Language Models (LLMs) have revolutionized code generation, with benchmarks like HumanEval [5] and MBPP [3] establishing foundational standards. As LLM capabilities advance, their role in real-world software development has expanded beyond solving toy problems to supporting complex workflows [21, 23, 28]. Modern benchmarks such as DevBench [25] and SWE-Bench [22] now emphasize practical scenarios like bug fixing. However, current benchmarks [9, 15, 35] still overlook the critical aspect of real-world development: the multi-turn and iterative *codeflow* scenario.

The CodeFlow Task In modern software engineering, multi-turn and iterative workflows are becoming increasingly prevalent, as the cornerstones of best practices like agile development [24, 1, 6]. By breaking down complex tasks into manageable subproblems, progressively refine solutions and reuse modular functions, developers can achieve faster delivery, reduced redundancy and enhanced maintainability in teamwork [12, 7]. For example, React's core package alone sees over 37 million

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Figure 1: An example of building a currency arbitrage detection and execution system. The left side demonstrates a *codeflow* workflow, where modular functions are reused to construct the main logic. The right side represents a single-turn implementation, combining all steps into a monolithic block.

weekly downloads across 2 300+ dependent modules, illustrating the productivity gains of modular reuse [4]. As shown in Fig. 1 and 2, by building solutions by traversing the function dependency tree from the bottom up, the structured *codeflow* can both enables parallel development and improves readability, testability and maintainability through modular and responsibility boundaries. For LLMs to integrate effectively into such workflows, they must handle multi-turn interactions, manage dependencies between code segments and generate reusable components for subsequent iterations.

Motivation Despite the growing demands, current benchmarks have not fully captured the multiturn and iterative aspects of codeflow. Firstly, most benchmarks, such as HumanEval and MBPP, focus only on single-turn code generation. While recent benchmarks like BigCodeBench [40] and SWE-Bench [22] have begun to incorporate practical development scenarios, they still remain at the level of single-turn code modification (or two-turn code generation), leaving the multi-turn generation capabilities unknown. Secondly, the few existing multi-turn benchmarks such as MTPB [31], only focus on single-function programming, lacking both unit tests and sufficient complexity to reflect real-world dependencies. Finally, due to the absence of an update mechanism, previous static datasets risk contamination and unreliable assessment. Therefore, there is a pressing need for a more challenging, well-annotated and frequently updated benchmark specially designed for codeflow.

To bridge this gap, we propose CodeFlowBench, a novel evaluation benchmark that sources its problems from the competitive programming platforms like Codeforces¹, featuring **high difficulty** (competition-level problems), **high quality** (peer-reviewed editorial solutions), and **periodic updates** (frequent problem additions), elaborated in Appendix A. CodeFlowBench leverages platforms' frequent release of new problems to ensure continuous updates for the uncontaminated benchmark. Based on dependency decomposition and online submission check, an automated, lightweight pipeline is further developed to process original problems into sets of multi-turn, iterative subproblems with verified test cases and solutions. Remarkably, CodeFlowBench also introduces a specialized evaluation framework, including structural labels and metrics derived from dependency trees, to comprehensively assess multi-turn performance and provide more insights for model shortcomings.

Contributions In this paper, we present the first edition of CodeFlowBench, which comprises 5,258 complex problems fetched from the Codeforces problem archive accumulated until now. To ensure ongoing fairness and freshness, we will periodically perform the automated pipeline and update the benchmark with brand-new, uncontaminated problems. Our main contributions are threefold:

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- **Pipeline Innovation**: We develop a data curation pipeline based on competition platform. This pipeline decomposes official solutions based on function dependencies to create multiturn, iterative code problems that require code reuse. This lightweight pipeline is fully automated, rigorously verifiable, and easy to maintain, facilitating frequent updates.
- **Benchmark Construction**: We introduce the first benchmark specifically designed to evaluate the multi-turn, iterative code generation capabilities for codeflow settings. It features a large and diverse collection of 5,258 complex code problems. By leveraging official editorial solutions, automatically verifying generated code, and capturing test cases through input-output streams, we ensure the quantity and quality of our dataset.
- Evaluation Design & Insights: We propose a novel evaluation framework that contrasts multi-turn and single-turn code generation patterns. Our framework introduces new structural labels and metrics derived from the dependency trees, aiming to better capture the unique characteristics of multi-turn tasks. These innovations bridge the gap between traditional evaluation metrics and the specific challenges posed by iterative code generation. Extensive experiments reveal the huge performance drop in the codeflow scenarios, even for large reasoning models, highlighting the need for more advanced multi-turn capabilities.

2 Related Work

Code Generation Benchmarks The landscape of code generation benchmarks has evolved from simpler to more complex tasks to keep pace with the rapid development of LLMs [26, 32, 39], but still fail to comprehensively capture the multi-turn and iterative features of real-world scenarios. Early works like HumanEval [5] and MBPP [3] focus on standalone functions with low complexity and limited dependency environments. Recent benchmarks have emerged to evaluate more complex and realistic scenarios, yet have obvious limitations: most benchmarks such as APPS [13], Live-CodeBench [20] and SWE-Bench [22] are limited to single-turn code generation or modification. For the few existing multi-turn benchmarks, MTPB [31] focus on overly simplistic single-function programming without paired unit tests, while InterCode [38] discusses interactive coding with execution feedback. In stark contrast, *codeflow* structures the development into multi-turn processes, ensuring each component is maintainable, testable and reusable. These limitations highlight the crucial gaps for codeflow benchmarking, and the CodeFlowBench pioneers this research line.

Code Generation LLMs Recent years have witnessed unprecedented progress in code generation capabilities of LLMs. Early works such as Codex [5] and AlphaCode [26] demonstrated proficiency in tasks ranging from code completion to competition-level problem solving. With the scaling up of pre-trained models, exemplified by GPT-4 [2], Code-Llama [33], Deepseek-Coder [10] and Qwen2.5-Coder [16], these advanced models have impressive performance across various programming tasks, languages and domains. Building on these foundations, the code generation capabilities have further advanced through instruction tuning and agent frameworks. Models such as WizardCoder [29] and Magicoder [36] leverage instruction tuning to improve intent alignment and interactive dialogue capabilities, while agent frameworks like AgentCoder [14] and MapCoder [18] enable autonomous planning, iterative refinement, and self-evaluation. Despite these advancements, the community still remains unknown about *"how well and how deeply LLMs can perform codeflow"*—a critical paradigm for real-world software engineering. Our CodeFlowBench thus provides a principled framework for advancing both model development and evaluation [21].

3 CodeFlowBench

CodeFlowBench is a lively-updated benchmark which currently contains 5,258 diverse, high-quality and challenging problems. An example problem of CodeFlowBench is shown in Figure 2. In this section, we introduce the data curation pipeline and evaluation framework of CodeFlowBench.

3.1 Data Curation Pipeline

We designed an automated, lightweight data-curation pipeline to generate complex multi-turn coding problems. The pipeline consists of two main phases: (1) *Data Preparation (Stages I–III)*, which involves source-specific routines tailored to collect and normalize raw problem data from various

Problem Information	Subproblem Information
Problem 2055E - Haystacks Time: 2s Memory: 256MB Depth: 4 Turns: 7 Problem Description Outbound servements the subjects will serve basiness with Election	f Depth 4 Turn 1 The function f computes maximum value between pairs (a[0], a[1] + b[0]) and returns result with sum of second elements. Unit Test Input: ((2, -2), (3, -2)) Output: (2, -4)
On the next new moon, the universe with test, beginning with rotata. If's up to Florida Man to stop it, but he first needs to find an important item. There are n haystacks labelled from 1 to n, where haystack i contains a_i haybales. One of the haystacks has a needle hidden beneath it, but you do not know which one. Your task is to move the	pull Depth 3 Turn 2 The function pull updates node in segment tree by combining results of its children using function f. Figure 1
haybales so that each haystack is emptied at least once, allowing you to check if the needle is hidden under that particular haystack.	Unit Test Input: ([(0, 0), (0, 0), (2, -4),], 2)
However, the process is not that simple. Once a haystack is emptied for the first time, it will be assigned a height limit and can no longer contain more than haybales. More formally,	point_set Depth 2 Turn 3 This function updates specific point in segment tree with new value, propagates this change up the tree using pull function.
Input:	Unit Test Input: ([(0, 0), (2, -4),], 3, 1, (0, 0), 1, 1, 4)
7 2 3 5 4 2	range_add Depth 2 Turn 4 This function computes the combined result of a range of values in segment tree using function f to determine maximum sum of haybales.
Output:	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Onit lest input ([(0,0), (0,-4), \dots, 1, 0, 5) \rightarrow \text{Output } (0,-4) \end{array}$
8 Input, Output, Notes, Rating, Tags	The function build constructs the segment tree from an array of values by recursively building the left and right subtrees.
Dependency Structure	Unit Test Input: ([(0, 0),], [(2, -2), (3, -2), (0, 0)], 3, 1, 1, 4)
Depth 1 solve	theoretical Depth 2 Turn 6 The function theoretical sorts the haystacks into three categories based on their initial haybale count and height limit.
Depth 2 build point_set range_add theoretical	Unit Test Input: $([(3, 5), (2, 4)],) \rightarrow Output: [1, 0]$
Depth 3 pull Depth 4 f	Solve Depth 1 Tum 7 The function solve reads the input data, processes each test case and computes minimum number of moves required to empty all haystacks. It uses theoretical function to initialize the segment tree, and range_add and point_set functions to perform range queries and updates. Unit Test Input: ['7\n2\n3 5\n2 4\n2\n10 1\n1 1\n1 1\n3\n1 3\n4 3\n1 1']
LLM Interaction Workflow	
 You are a programming expert. You always provide correct code The whole amblem Lympt to calce is Upstatesite which is 	
 A new indee protection 1 water to solve is raystacks, within 18 Now I want to implement the range add function that computes the This function depends on a pre-implemented function called f the code of function fis You should use it in your implementation. 	assert range_add([(0, 0), (3, -4),], 1, 3, 3)=(3,-4)
 Please help me implement the range_add function 	Passed: Next Turn Failed: Stop

Figure 2: An example problem from CodeFlowBench, sourced from Codeforces problem 2055E. The top-left block displays the problem information. The bottom-left block illustrates the dependency structure, with nodes as subproblems and edges as dependency relationships. The right block details each subproblem, where models solve these subproblems iteratively. The bottom block shows the LLM interaction workflow for each turn.

platforms. (2) *Subproblem Generation (Stages IV–VI)*, which employs an universally applicable problem decompostion framework. This framework systematically analyzes dependency relationships between functions or classes, and back-translates functions into coherent and sequential subproblems. Notably, our implementation is the first to integrate both official problem editorials and automated submission checker into the data curation process. Leveraging official editorials and submission checker provides reliability benefits, such as eliminated copyright issues or data cleaning needs, and it also ensures the *codeflow* implementation is high-quality and optimal for each problem. As shown in Fig. 3, our pipeline specifically comprises the following stages:

Stage I: Scrape Problem Information We initiate the process by visiting the Codeforces problem list and navigating to each problem's page to extract the following information: *problem ID, title, time and memory limits, problem description, input/output specifications, sample tests, notes.* Furthermore, by querying the official Codeforces API, we retrieve each problem's rating and tags. Please refer to Appendix B.1 for information details and examples.

Stage II: Scrape Editorial Information We gather editorial content from corresponding tutorial pages, where each problem's ID, textual explanation, and solution code are listed sequentially. By identifying problem IDs through URL and text patterns, we extract the relevant content and associate it with the problem list generated in Stage I. Low-quality entries are filtered out, and solutions are categorized into text and code components. Please refer to Appendix B.2 for more details.



Figure 3: The data curation pipeline. Left: in the data-collection stage, we scrape problems and corresponding text and code solutions. Middle: in the data-processing and subproblem-generation stage, we validate solutions, parse codes into abstract syntax trees, decompose original problems into individual subproblems, and generate test cases. Right: the final labeling stage for complexity analysis, and the curated CodeFlowBench problem set.

Stage III: Solution Code Generation We input both the problem and its explanation information into the Deepseek-R1 model [11], which either directly uses the provided code implementation or organizes the existing textual solution and converts it into parsable solution code that meets the requirements for extracting function dependencies and constructing subproblems. The generated code is then submitted to the Codeforces platform for correctness verification, and we retain only those codes that successfully solve the problem. The prompt template can be found in Appendix B.3.

Stage IV: Subproblem Generation We parse the abstract syntax tree (AST) of codes from Stage III to extract function dependencies, filter out built-in functions, and conduct topological sort so that lower-level ones come first. We then treat each function as a subproblem and record its solution code, AST depth, and dependencies information. These information, along with the problem and explanation, are fed into Deepseek-V3 [27] to back-translate a subproblem description. Finally, a subproblem contains the following fields: *name, statement, depth, dependencies, solution*. Detailed explanations of the prompt template and an example can be found in Appendix B.4.

Stage V: Test Cases Generation For every problem, publicly accessible test cases from the Codeforces platform are scraped and used to execute the respective solution codes. During execution, we capture input-output pairs at every function call location, which serve as test cases for the corresponding subproblems. Further elaboration on this process can be found in Appendix B.5.

Stage VI: Automatic Labeling To quantify the complexity of the curated problems for fine-grained analysis, we define two metrics: **Overall-Turns**—the number of turns required to solve the entire problem; **Overall-Depth**—the depth of the AST, where the main/solve function as the root and subproblems as nodes. As shown in Fig. 4, we report the distributions of overall-turns and overall-depths, and correlate them with the difficulty ratings provided by Codeforces. The strong correlation observed confirms that our label effectively captures problems' intrinsic complexity.

3.2 Evaluation Framework

Task Definition The evaluation design of CodeFlowBench follows best practices defined in HumanEval [5] but introduces a novel multi-turn iterative paradigm. That is, models are required to implement a given function in each round. However, CodeFlowBench introduces distinct differences in the supporting materials provided to the models. Beyond the function signature and problem description, we include dependency information and pre-implemented functions for code reuse.



(a) Distributions of overall-turns and overall-depth.



Figure 4: Statistics of the overall-turns and overall-depth metrics in CodeFlowBench. Subfigure (b) shows inflection points at turns = 1 and depth = 1. This is attributed to the fact that competition-level problems are not restricted to multi-turn or deeply nested structures. Partial difficult problems are designed to be solvable by single function such as number theory related problems.

Additionally, we provide an overarching background description of the problem. This reflects the real-world scenario where developers often possess overall understanding of the entire problem when implementing code incrementally.

As illustrated in Fig. 2, models must implement target functions while leveraging dependency relationships and pre-implemented components from prior turns. Formally, given T total turns, the function implementation C_t at turn t is generated based on:

- Function signature F_t and subproblem description S_t for the current target function,
- Background context B describing the overarching programming problem,
- Dependency specifications $\mathcal{D} = \{k_1, ..., k_d\}$ indicating prerequisite functions $F_{k_1}, ..., F_{k_d}$,
- Verified functional implementations $\{C_1, ..., C_{t-1}\}$ of previous dependencies.

For baseline comparison, we define the single-turn variant where the model generates all components simultaneously. The mathematical expressions of both settings are presented below:

$$C_t \leftarrow p\left(\cdot \mid F_t, S_t, \{F_{k_1}, F_{k_2}, \dots, F_{k_d}\}, \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_{t-1}\}, B\right) \quad (1 \le t \le T), \\ \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_T\} \leftarrow p\left(\cdot \mid \{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_T\}, \{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_T\}, B\right).$$

Performance Metrics We adopt widely-used Pass@k [5] as the main metric for both multi-turn and single-turn cases, but augment it with novel diagnostics for multi-turn analysis. While Pass@k evaluates final success rates, *the coarse-grained nature fails to capture partial progress in failed attempts* - two models may fail solve the entire problem at different stages but receive identical scores.

To address this limitation, we propose a new metric, Pass Turn (PT), which identifies the exact turn at which a model fails by leveraging unit tests for each subproblem. However, only considering failing turns may be biased due to the arbitrary topological ordering at the same depth. We further define, Pass Depth (PD = D - d), for bottom-up programming, where d and D are working depth and total depth. For statistical significance, we define the Average Pass Turn (APT) and Average Pass Depth (APD) by averaging across problems grouped by turn or depth. For multiple trials, we define APD@k and APT@k following the Pass@k expression. Refer to Appendix C for more details.

4 Experiments

Experiment Setup For comprehensive experiments, we evaluate both close-sourced and opensourced models. The closed-source models include the GPT family (o3-mini, o1-mini, GPT-4.1-mini, GPT-4o-mini and GPT-4o) [19, 17], Claude-3.5-Sonnet and Gemini-2.0-flash. The open-source models include the Qwen family (Qwen-2.5-Coder-7B-Instruct, Qwen-2.5-Coder-32B-Instruct, Qwen-2.5-72B-Instruct and QwQ-32B) [16, 37, 34], the DeepSeek family (DeepSeek-v3 and DeepSeek-R1) [27, 11], the Llama family (Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct and Llama-3.3-70B-Instruct) [8] and Yi-Coder-9B-Chat [30]. To eliminate potential data leakage and unnecessary evaluation

Model	Pas	s@1	APD@1 (Average Pass Depth)					
	Multi-turn	Single-turn	Overall	Depth1	Depth2	Depth3	Depth4	
Closed-Source								
o3-mini	22.7	38.9	0.570	0.322	0.585	0.818	1.250	
o1-mini	20.8	37.8	0.541	0.233	0.581	0.818	1.125	
GPT-4.1-mini	24.4	38.7	0.602	0.265	0.673	0.873	1.042	
GPT-40	17.5	30.2	0.494	0.177	0.539	0.758	1.042	
GPT-4o-mini	13.8	22.0	0.423	0.138	0.438	0.697	1.167	
Gemini-2.0-flash	17.3	31.6	0.496	0.183	0.527	0.782	1.042	
Claude-3.5-Sonnet	13.6	36.0	0.414	0.117	0.444	0.648	1.167	
		Open-Source (7B-Level)					
Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct	0.9	3.5	0.208	0.011	0.224	0.412	0.792	
Qwen2.5-Coder-7B-Instruct	2.3	15.0	0.233	0.018	0.247	0.436	0.750	
Yi-Coder-9B-Chat	5.0	13.8	0.228	0.021	0.270	0.388	0.500	
		Open-Source (32B-Level)					
Qwen2.5-Coder-32B-Instruct	8.6	19.8	0.316	0.067	0.342	0.570	0.917	
QwQ-32B-Preview	17.3	32.7	0.487	0.261	0.539	0.570	1.042	
		Open-Source (70B-Level)					
Llama-3.3-70B-Instruct	15.0	27.6	0.448	0.163	0.465	0.733	1.042	
Qwen2.5-72B-Instruct	9.1	21.3	0.301	0.110	0.314	0.497	0.583	
	0) pen-Source (La	arge Model))				
Deepseek-V3	18.0	35.7	0.529	0.219	0.549	0.836	1.208	
Deepseek-R1	20.5	46.1	0.569	0.303	0.606	0.842	0.916	

Table 1: Performance comparison on CodeFlowBench with Pass@1 and APD@1 (Average Pass Depth) metrics. As a reference for overall APD, CodeFlowBench's average problem depth is 1.94.

overhead, we select the most recent 1000 problems from CodeFlowBench for tests. Each model is evaluated in both multi-turn and single-turn scenarios, with Pass@k and APD@k as the primary metrics. Please refer to Appendix D.1 and D.2 for more implementation details.

4.1 Main Experiments

Overall Performance Table 1 presents the extensive experiments across 1,000 latest problems. The highest observed Pass@1 score of 24.4% and maximum APD@1 of 0.602 demonstrate the benchmark's rigorousness, with even state-of-the-art LLMs struggling to achieve satisfactory performance. While closed-source models generally outperform the open-source ones, exceptions exist—notably DeepSeek-R1 surpasses several proprietary models. Notably, two model categories exhibit parameter-efficient competence: specialized coding models and reasoning models. Small coding models like Qwen2.5-Coder and Yi-Coder deliver surprising Pass@1 relative to model size, while reasoning models like QwQ-32B-Preview approach GPT-4o's performance via test-time scaling. These findings suggest that domain-specific and reasoning models are promising directions for future advancements.

Multi-Turn versus Single-Turn Table 1 also reveals the substantial performance gap between the multi-turn and single-turn scenarios. This gap underscores the inherent complexity of multi-turn code generation, which requires models to "look before and after" for long-context coherence across iterative function implementations. Furthermore, we observe distinct features of models' performance across single-turn and multi-turn scenarios: while models like Claude-3.5-Sonnet and DeepSeek-R1 excel in single-turn scenarios, they exhibit up to +60% performance degradation in multi-turn settings. In contrast, models such as GPT-40 and Llama-3.3-70B-Instruct demonstrate more consistent performance. The fundamental difference lies in the cognitive demands: single-turn evaluation examines complex reasoning capabilities, while multi-turn evaluation needs to generate reusable, modular functions, and integrate them into larger components. These insights expose under-explored limitations such as iterative development and dependency management.

Depth-Wise Performance The performance stratification across dependency depths reveals distinct model characteristics. Small open-source models (7B-32B parameters) show pronounced depth-specific biases—Qwen2.5-Coder-7B achieves 0.750 APD@1 on Depth4 problems versus 0.018 on Depth1, suggesting emergent compositional abilities despite limited parameter counts. In contrast, larger models exhibit more balanced performance profiles, with GPT-4.1-mini maintaining 0.265-1.042 APD@1 across depths. Surprisingly, top performers like DeepSeek-R1 show no significant

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Overall	Turn1	Turn2	Turn3	Turn4	Turn5				
Closed-Source									
0.600	0.322	0.632	0.777	0.983	0.571				
0.581	0.233	0.645	0.798	0.879	0.667				
0.646	0.265	0.760	0.803	1.034	0.762				
0.537	0.177	0.604	0.697	1.017	0.476				
0.467	0.137	0.501	0.638	0.982	0.476				
0.541	0.183	0.595	0.702	0.948	0.667				
0.461	0.117	0.508	0.574	1.000	0.571				
Open-So	ource (7B-)	Level)							
0.232	0.011	0.245	0.404	0.534	0.476				
0.258	0.018	0.270	0.394	0.638	0.286				
0.247	0.021	0.314	0.324	0.362	0.286				
Open-So	urce (32B-	Level)							
0.352	0.067	0.391	0.532	0.569	0.666				
0.515	0.261	0.606	0.553	0.828	0.381				
Open-So	urce (70B-	Level)							
0.493	0.163	0.515	0.681	1.000	0.476				
0.330	0.110	0.350	0.452	0.517	0.429				
Open-Sou	rce (Large	Model)							
0.572	0.219	0.622	0.750	0.966	0.810				
0.609	0.304	0.677	0.766	0.966	0.860				
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Table 2: Performance comparison on CodeFlowBench with the APT@1 (Average Pass Turn) metric. As a reference for overall APT, CodeFlowBench's average problem turn is 2.20.

advantage on Depth4 problems (APD@1: 0.916 vs. 1.208 for DeepSeek-V3), indicating current reasoning patterns inadequately handle deep dependency chains. This suggests models could benefit from explicit dependency tracking mechanisms and iterative verification loops during code generation. For another perspective, we report APT@1 in Table 2. Notably, the trends of APT closely align with APD, reinforcing our observations of models' depth-wise performance.

4.2 Analysis and Discussion

Dependency Structure Challenges in Multi-turn Scenarios A deeper look of solved problems reveals a striking imbalance: the majority of correctly addressed cases correspond to problems with simple, linear dependency structures (e.g., shallow call graphs or sequential function compositions). However, as problem architectures evolve toward modular and hierarchical dependencies (e.g., nested function calls, interdependent components), state-of-the-art models exhibit significant performance degradation. This phenomenon is empirically validated in Figure 5, which illustrates the Pass@1 scores across varying turn counts. The consistent performance trajectory-initially high for 1-2 turn problems followed by approximately exponential decline as turn counts increase-demonstrates the inherent challenges in multi-turn code generation. Even top-performing models (e.g., Deepseek-R1 with 20.5% Pass@1) fail to solve problems requiring more than six turns. This underscores the critical limitation to balance local correctness and global integration across iterative development cycles. To quantity dependency structure complexity, we introduce the Dependency Structure Complexity (DSC) metric, defined as the ratio of total turns to the maximum depth in the AST. Figure 13 presents the models' performance across different DSC intervals, revealing that most models perform well on problems with linear dependency structures but struggle significantly as the dependency structure becomes more complex. We leave the discussion on DSC in Appendix E.1.

Fine-Grained Error Types in Multi-turn Generation Given the significant performance gap between models in multi-turn and single-turn scenarios, we conducted studies to identify the underlying reasons. We categorized errors into three primary types: (1) **Incomplete Reasoning (IR):** Models often handle only straightforward "happy-path" cases and fail to generalize. They may oversimplify key requirements, omit boundary or atypical cases, or choose naive algorithms whose logic or performance collapses on larger inputs. This reflects a limitation in the models' reasoning abilities. (2) **Insufficient Globalization (IG):** While a function's logic may run correctly in isolation, it may omit necessary imports, global constants, or shared-state interactions, preventing proper integration into the broader application or runtime. This indicates a limitation in the models' ability to manage global context. (3) **Instruction Misinterpretation (IM):** Given multi-turn prompts, models could solve



Figure 5: The Pass@1 metrics on multi-turn problems grouped by model categories and turn number.

isolated subproblems but lack a coherent understanding of the overarching goal. Typical failures include misusing helper functions or implementing disorganized code within the top-level function, i.e. incorrect integration of components. To quantify the distribution of errors, we randomly sampled examples and manually annotated error categories. The proportion is calculated in Table 3.

Table 3: Proportion of each error type on Deepseek-V3 and o1-mini. The IR Remediation Rate is the proportion of IR errors in multi-turn scenario which are correctly answered in single-turn scenario.

Model	IR(%)	IG(%)	IM(%)	Others(%)	IR Remediation Rate(%)
Deepseek-v3	47.2	14.6	32.6	5.6	16.7
o1-mini	38.7	11.8	43.0	6.5	8.3

Table 3 offers several insights. First, Incomplete Reasoning remains the dominant error type which is the main challenge of competition-level problems. To distinguish the effect of multi-turn scenario, we further introduce **IR Remediation Rate** to quantify how much of IR can be fixed when switching from multi-turn to single-turn scenarios. The statistics show that, most IR errors (30% of all error types) originate from the multi-turn scenario. Furthermore, Insufficient Globalization and Instruction Misinterpretation are inherently specific to multi-turn scenarios. The high rate of IM errors highlights that models struggle with consistent instruction following across multiple turns, or the codeflow task. Finally, IG errors reveal that models often lack "global awareness", highlighting the importance of both local correctness and global coherence evaluation. We leave case studies in Appendix E.2.

5 Conclusion

This paper introduces CodeFlowBench, the first benchmark specifically designed to evaluate multiturn iterative code generation capabilities in realistic development workflows, i.e., the *codeflow*. Comprising 5,258 competition-level programming problems curated from Codeforces, our benchmark makes three key contributions: (1) an automated pipeline for decomposing complex problems into dependency-aware subproblems with paired unit tests, (2) a novel evaluation framework with proposed structural metrics, such as APT@k, APD@k, and DSC, to quantify multi-turn performance, and (3) the discovery of substantial performance gaps between multi-turn and single-turn scenarios (up to 60% performance degradation). Our fine-grained analysis identifies dominant failure modes and provides insights for further advancements. Extensive experiments across 16 popular LLMs highlight the substantial challenges posed by both the codeflow task and our benchmark. We believe CodeFlowBench not only illuminates critical limitations in existing LLMs but also paves the way for more realistic and powerful code generation systems. **Future Work**: CodeFlowBench currently remains confined to competition-level problems, which should be expanded with repository-level challenges. We also plan to design and train dedicated code generators tailored to the codeflow task.

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A Features of CodeFlowBench

We collect problems from Codeforces, which offer following advantages to our benchmark:

High difficulty. Even state-of-the-art LLMs have low pass rates on Codeforces problems [32]. Compared to simple and straightforward code implementation, competitive problems can make multi-turn, iterative solution process more realistic and meaningful.

High quality. Unlike many open-source repositories, Codeforces publishes official editorial and provides automated correctness checks, ensuring the integrity of our dataset's problems.

Periodic updates. To maintain uncontaminated test data and ensure fairness, it is essential that benchmarks can be refreshed regularly. Codeforces releases new problems at a high frequency, enabling continuous updates for CodeFlowBench.

B Data Curation Pipeline

B.1 Detail of Problem Scraping

The original problem contain two parts. The first part is scraped from its corresponding codeforces official website. An example problem page is shown in Figure 6.

The second part is scraped by *Problemsets.Problems*² API provided by Codeforces.We record the rating and tags of each problem. Rating is a metric that reflect the difficulty of the problem and tags is a list that contains knowledge scope of the problem.

https://codeforces.com/api/problemset.problems

E. Opening Portals

time limit per test: 2 seconds memory limit per test: 256 megabytes

Pavel plays a famous computer game. A player is responsible for a whole country and he can travel there freely, complete quests and earn experience.

This country has *n* cities connected by *m* bidirectional roads of different lengths so that it is possible to get from any city to any other one. There are portals in k of these cities. At the beginning of the game all portals are closed. When a player visits a portal city, the portal opens. Strange as it is, one can teleport from an open portal to an open one. The teleportation takes no time and that enables the player to travel quickly between rather remote regions of the country.

At the beginning of the game Pavel is in city number 1. He wants to open all portals as quickly as possible. How much time will he need for that?

Input

The first line contains two space-separated integers n and m ($1 \le n \le 10^5$, $0 \le m \le 10^5$) that show how many cities and roads are in the game.

Each of the next *m* lines contains the description of a road as three space-separated integers x_i , y_i , w_i $(1 \le x_i, y_i \le n, x_i \ne y_i, 1 \le w_i \le 10^9)$ — the numbers of the cities connected by the *i*-th road and the time needed to go from one city to the other one by this road. Any two cities are connected by no more than one road. It is guaranteed that we can get from any city to any other one, moving along the roads of the country.

The next line contains integer k ($1 \le k \le n$) — the number of portals.

The next line contains k space-separated integers $p_1, p_2, ..., p_k$ – numbers of the cities with installed portals. Each city has no more than one portal.

Output

Print a single number — the minimum time a player needs to open all portals.

Please, do not use the lld specifier to read or write 64-bit integers in C++. It is preferred to use the cin, cout streams or the l64d specifier.

Examples	
input	Сору
3 3 1 2 1 1 3 1 2 3 1 3 1 2 3	
output	Сору
2	
input	Сору
4 3 1 2 1 2 3 5 2 4 10 3 2 3 4	
output	Сору
16	
input	Сору
4 3 1 2 1000000000 2 3 1000000000 3 4 1000000000 4 1 2 3 4	
output	Сору
30000000	

Note

In the second sample the player has to come to city 2, open a portal there, then go to city 3, open a portal there, teleport back to city 2 and finally finish the journey in city 4.

Figure 6: An example page of problems on Codeforces, which contains *problem ID*, *title*, *time and memory complexity limits*, *problem description*, *input description*, *output description*, *sample tests*, *notes* of each problem.The original problem is 196E

"problem-id": "1946E", "problem-url": "https://codeforces.com/problemset/problem/1946/E", "title": "E. Girl Permutation", "time-limit": "time limit per test 2 seconds", "memory-limit": "memory limit per test 256 megabytes", "problem-description": "Some permutation of length n is guessed. You are given the indices of its prefix maximums and suffix maximums. Recall that a permutation of length k is an array of size k such that each integer from 1 to k occurs exactly once. Prefix maximums are the elements that are the maximum on the prefix ending at that element. More formally, the element a_i is a prefix maximum if $a_i > a_j$ for every j < i. Similarly, suffix maximums are defined; the element a_i is a suffix maximum if $a_i > a_j$ for every j > i. You need to output the number of different permutations that could have been guessed. As this number can be very large, output the answer modulo $10^9 + 7$.", "input": "Input\nEach test consists of several test cases. The first line contains a single integer t ($1 \le t \le$ 104) — the number of test cases. Then follows the description of the test cases. In the first line of each test case contains three integers n, m_1 and m_2 ($1 \le m_1, m_2 \le n \le 2 \cdot 10^5$) — the length of the permutation, the number of prefix maximums, and the number of suffix maximums, respectively \nThe second line of each test case contains m₁ integers $p_1 < p_2 < ... < p_{n_1}$ $(1 \le p_1 \le n)$ — the indices of the prefix maximums in increasing order. In third line of each test case contains m_2 integers $s_1 < s_2 < ... <$ s_{m_2} $(1 \le s_i \le n)$ — the indices of the suffix maximums in increasing order. It is guaranteed that the sum of n over all test cases does not exceed $2 \cdot 10^5$.", "output": " Output/nFor each test case, output a single integer on a separate line — the number of suitable permutations modulo $10^9 + 7$." "sample-test": {"input": ["6\n1 1 1\n1\n1\n4 2 3\n1 2\n2 3 4\n3 3 1\n1 2 3\n3\n5 3 4\n1 2 3\n2 3 4 5\n20 5 4\n1 2 3 4 12\n12 13 18 20\n6 2 3\n1 3\n3 4 6"],"output": ["1\n3\n1\n0\n317580808\n10"]}, "note": "Note\nThe following permutations are suitable for the second test case:\n[1, 4, 3, 2]\n[2, 4, 3, 1]\n[3, 4, 2, 1]\n\nThe following permutations are suitable for the sixth test case:\n[2, 1, 6, 5, 3, 4]\n[3, 1, 6, 5, 2, 4]\n[3, 2, 6, 5, 1, 4]\n[4, 1, 6, 5, 2, 3]\n[4, 2, 6, 5, 1, 3]\n[4, 3, 6, 5, 1, 2]\n[5, 1, 6, 4, 2, 3]\n[5, 2, 6, 4, 1, 3]\n[5, 3, 6, 4, 1, 2]\n[5, 4, 6, 3, 1, 2]", "rating": 2200, "tags": ["combinatorics","dp","math","number theory"],

Figure 7: An example of original coding problem we obtained in stage I.To make the content more clear, we remove html denotions that contained in original content. The original problem is 1946E, which is used for illustration in Figure 3

Combine the above two part, we obtain a original coding problem for CodeFlowBench, a full example is shown in Figure 7.

B.2 Detail of Solution Scraping

During the problem-scraping process, we also collected the links under the "Contest material" section on the right side of each problem page and identified which of those led to solution blogs. Crawling these editorial pages is fairly complex, because Codeforces' official write-ups are hosted as personal blogs whose formats can vary over time, making content extraction more challenging. Although each round's problems (e.g. "123A," "123B," etc.) live on separate pages, all of the editorials for a given numeric ID usually appear on a single blog page. We therefore need to assign each sub-problem's write-up (A, B, C, ...) to its corresponding problem. To do this, our crawler first locates the distinct anchor points that mark each sub-problem section, then extracts the content between each anchor and the next as that problem's editorial. The benefit of this approach is that, while in the end we only need the solution code itself, editorials often consist of plain text explanations, a single code snippet, or multiple code variants and languages. Relying on a purely mechanical scraper makes it difficult to isolate exactly the code we want, so it's more effective to pass the raw editorial content to an LLM for final organization and extraction.

In general, there are two ways to locate an anchor: by URL and by text. Blogs label problems in many different forms. However, most blogs make that label into a hyperlink pointing back to the original problem, which gives us a reliable way to identify the anchor.

Therefore, our primary and most precise method is to search for a URL containing the problem ID (for example, "problemset/problem/2060/A" or "contest/blog/2060/A") and treat its position as the anchor. Once the anchor is found, we scan the surrounding page and extract its content to obtain

the editorial.Anchor scanning and recording also relies on a problem-ID reference table, which we built from the IDs of all problems scraped in the first step. Its main role is to guide the code when matching anchors: for instance, if the table shows that numeric ID 2060 has sub-IDs "A" through "G", the scraper first reads those sub-IDs, then walks through the page using the URL-based or text-based method to record the exact anchor for each sub-ID.An example that fit URL anchor identification technique in shown in Figure 8a.

However, there are still little parts of early editorial blogs didn't include URL hyperlinks, so in those cases we fall back on regular-expression–based text matching wherever possible. Based on the formats we observed, we designed two main matching strategies:

- **Difficulty-label matching.** A number of blogs publish all of a round's problems on one page and mark them with labels like "Div2" or "Div1" (since most rounds contain two Div2-level problems and several Div1-level ones). To handle this, we use our problem-ID reference table to identify all sub-IDs belonging to the same numeric contest but with different difficulty levels, tag them accordingly in the table, and then, during the anchor-matching process, if the scraper detects a difficulty label it will also try to match anchors based on that label. An example is shown in Figure 8b.
- **Problem-label matching.** Beyond difficulty tags, many blogs use the literal "Problem A", "Problem B", etc. format. We include a specific regex pattern to detect those "Problem+sub-ID" labels and assign each section to the correct sub-problem.

Codeforces Round #138, tutorial. Codeforces Round 998 (Div. 3) Editorial ove_Nastya, 13 years ago, translation, 🕁 By cry, 3 months ago, 🚟 Div2 A. Parallelepiped Rating Predictions You were given areas of three faces of a rectangular parallelepiped. Your task was to find the sum of lengths of it's sides. 2060A - Fibonacciness Let a, b and c be the lengths of the sides that have one common vertex. Then the numbers we are given are $s_1 = ab, s_2 = bc$ as $s_1 = ab, s_2 = bc$ as $s_1 = ab, s_2 = bc$ as $s_1 = ab, s_2 = bc$. It is easy to find the lengths in terms of faces areas: $a = \sqrt{s_1 s_3/s_2}$, $b = \sqrt{s_1 s_2/s_2}$, $c = \sqrt{s_2 s_3/s_1}$. The answer is 4(a + b + c), because there are four sides that have lengths equal to a, b and c. $c = \sqrt{s_2 s_3/s_1}$. The answ The complexity is O(1). Problem Credits: Proof_by_QED Analysis: larush Div2 B. Array Solution 1 You were given an array a consisting of n integers. Its elements a_i were positive and not greater than 10^5 each $1 \le i \le n$. Also you were given positive integer k. You had to find minimal by inclusion segment [l, r] that there were exactly k different numbers among $a_1, ..., a_n$. The definition of the "minimal by inclusion" yc can read in the statement. Solution Code (C++ Rate The Problem! Let us make a new array *cnl*. In the beginning its element *cnl*, is equal to number of occurencies of number *i* in array *a*. It is possible to make this array because elements of *a* are not very large. Amount of nonzero elements in *cn* there is no solution if this number is less then *k*. 2060B - Farmer John's Card Game If it is not true, we have to find the answer segment [l,r] in the beginning let [l,r]=[1,n]. We decrepting the orby 1 until amount of different elements on the segment [l,r] is less than k. We can keep the amount of different unturbers in following way: we decrease catca, by 11 we determent there are a segment of a second segment of a second secon Problem Credits: Lilypad Analysis: larush Solution Code (C++ Rate The Problem! Div2 C/Div1 A. Bracket sequence 2060C - Game of Mathletes You were given a bracket sequence s consisting of brackets of two kinds. Yo sequence that was a substring of s and contains as many <<l>> braces as p Problem Credits: LMeyling We will try to determine corresponding closing bracket for every opening one. Formally, let a bracket on the I-th position be opening, then the closing bracket on the position j is corresponding to it if and only if a substring $s_i...s_j$ is the shortest regular bracket sequence that begins from the I-th position. In common case there can be brackets with ones. Analysis: macaquedev Solution Code (C++) Rate The Problem! We scan the sting *s* and put positions with the opening brackets into a stack. Let us proceed the i-th position if *s* is an opening bracket we simply put *l* on the top of the stack. Otherwise, we have to clean the stack if the stack is empty or the bracket on the top doe not correspond to the current one. But if the bracket on the top is ok we pair remove the top of the stack and remove that the bracket on position *i* is corresponding to the bracket moved of the top. So, we find a tilt no corresponding to all the brackets. 2060D - Subtract Min Sort Then we can split *s* into blocks. Let block be a segment [l, r] such that the bracket on the *r*-th position is corresponding for the bracket on the *i*-th and there is no couple of corresponding brackets on positions *x* a *y* such that $[l, r] \in [x, y]$ and $[l, r] \neq [x, y]$. It is easy to understand that the blocks do not intersect and the blocks at blocks at the solution is a solution of the consequent blocks in the require blocks. The angular blocks the sources. We should join as mi blocks as possible in order to get the maximal number of braces. We get several substring that are require amount ends at the vibrack sequences at the vibra blocks. The answer is the substring that has the largest amount of braces <</p> Problem Credits: Proof by QED Analysis: Proof_by_QED Solution Code (C++) Rate The Problem!

(a)

(b)

Figure 8: Subfigure (a) is an example of using URL anchor identification technique. The anchor here is each subtitle displayed as "2060A-Fibonacciness". The blue font color of such subtitle indicates a URL to original problem page is setted. In practice, the existence of URL is identified by analysing the HTML code of this website.For this kind of website, we identify these subtitles as anchors and scrape the content between each subtitle.Subfigure (b) is an example of using div anchor identification technique.The anchor here is each subtitle displayed as "Div2A. Parallelepiped".These kinds of subtitle occurs in a contest round that contain two div level problems.We use reference table to project the div notation to original problem id and then identify them as corresponding anchor.

```
"problem-id": "1946E",
 "solutions":
[{
       "type": "text",
       "content": "Editorial First, if p_1 is not equal to 1, or s_{m_2} is not equal to n, or p_{m_1} is not
 equal to s 1, then the answer is 0 for obvious reasons... Otherwise, we know exactly where the number
n is located, at position s_1. Next, we have \frac{1}{s_1 - 1} ways to divide the numbers from 1
to n - 1 into two sets — the numbers that will be in the left part and the numbers that will be in the right
part (the left part — all indices < s 1, the right part — all indices > s 1). We solve for the left part, and
 similarly for the right part. For the left part, the position of the maximum (p \{m 1 - 1\}) is again defined,
 and the maximum itself is also unique in the set of numbers for the left part, so we can again divide the
left \ part \ into \ two, \ with \ \ binom\{p_{m_1} - 2\} \ \{p_{m_1} - 1\} - 1\} \ ways \ to \ do \ so, \ but \ we \ can \ also \ arrange \ arrange \ \ binom{p_{m_1} - 1} \ binom{
the numbers between indices p_{m_1 - 1} and p_{m_1} (non-inclusive) in any order, i.e., (p_{m_1} - 1)
p \{m | 1 - 1\} - 1\} ways. Then we solve similarly for the left set (i.e., for indices less than p \{m | 1 - 1\}).
  },
 {
       "type": "code",
       "content": "#include<bits/stdc++.h>\nusing i64 = long long;\ntemplate<class T> constexpr T
power(T a, i64 b) {...}"
   }]
```

Figure 9: The scraped and processed solution we obtained in stage II. The original problem is 1946E

After crawling the editorial for each problem, we applied a series of processing steps to ensure quality. Firstly, we removed any editorials that were too short or empty—these problems were excluded from the dataset. To make it easier for an LLM to understand and process them, we then split each editorial into two parts: the code solution and the textual explanation, so that the model can consult the code first and then the accompanying text. The processed result is shown in Figure 9.

B.3 Detail of Solution Code Generation

Although we've already scraped the official solution for each problem, an LLM-based post-processing step is still required for two main reasons:(1) **Presence of "global code segments".** Some solutions include code that isn't encapsulated in any function. We must split the entire codebase into multiple functions and ensure that the top-level function can fully solve the problem. Since these global segments can't be recognized during standard parsing, we rely on an LLM to reorganize the provided code so that it becomes fully parsable.(2)Early solutions exist only as text.Some of the older official solutions consist solely of textual descriptions without any runnable code. We need an LLM to convert those narratives into executable code. The prompt template for code convert is shown in Figure 10 The Codeforces official judging system is used to verify code correctness. We employ an automated submission bot that navigates to the Codeforces submission page³, fills in all required fields, and submits the solution. The site will be automatically redirects to the results page after submission, from which we scrape the verification outcome.

B.4 Detail of Subproblems Generation

While the parsing process is automatically, a LLM is still needed for generating natural language description for each subproblem. The prompt template is shown in Figure 11 A example of subproblems in shown in Figure 12.

B.5 Detail of Test Cases Generation

Overall, CodeFlowBench's test suite is composed of two parts:

• **Top-level function tests** For the final subproblem—the top-level function (e.g., main or solve) that handles overall input and output—we use the public test cases provided by the Codeforces platform.

https://codeforces.com/problemset/submit

Here's the information for the problem: "problem-id": "{problem_id}", "title": "{title}", "time_limit": "{time_limit}", "memory_limit": "{memory_limit}", "problem description": "{problem description}", "input": "{problem input}", "output": "{problem_output}", "sample-test": "{sample_testcases}", "note": "{note}",

Here's the editorial of this problem:

"solution_text_part": "{text_solution}" "solution_code_part": "{code_solution}",

Your task is to generate a correct Python code solution that solves the problem, here's the instruction:

1. If the "solution code part" is not empty and contain vaild code, you should only focus on that part. If the original code is not in Python, convert it to Python. You can directly check the code and output it as your generated code. 2. Remeber if the "solution code part" is not empty and contain vaild code, use the existing code is always the priority, but if the "solution code part" is empty, you should analyze the "solution text part" field together with the problem details provided above and generate the Python code-solution that implements the solution with the following characteristics:

• There should be a main/solve function that handle the overall logic and I/O.

• Each function should have a single responsibility.

• The main solver function should handle input/output and orchestrate the helper functions.

- Ensure the code is properly indented and formatted. Remember to use 4 spaces for indentation.
- Ensure that you have set proper new line notation before the 'if <u>name</u> <u>main</u>':' line and "import" statements. • Avoid nest function in another function, make each function seperated.

• Each line of code should be contained in a function except calling packages.

3. At last, return your generated code in the "code-solution" field of the output JSON, following the format specified in the system instructions.

Example output data:

```json

{{ "problem-id": "2055E", "code-solution": "..."

<u>}</u>}

Please ensure the code you generate can solve the problem correctly, which means:

- The code should be free of syntax errors.

- The code should run correctly on the sample test provided and other egde cases.

- The code should have optimal time and memory complexity to solve the problem without surpassing the time and memory limits.

- Each line of code should be contained in a function except calling packages.

You only need to return the json with the "code-solution" field filled following the "```json" mark in the next line. ```json

Figure 10: The prompt template used for code convertion in stage III. The whole content of the example output data is not shown for length limitation.

Here is the problem information and analyzed functions: Title: {title} Time Limit: {time\_limit} Memory Limit: {memory\_limit} Problem Description: {problem\_description} Input: {problem input} Output: {problem output} Note: {note} Extracted Functions: {json.dumps(subproblems, indent=4)} Text Solution: {solution\_text\_part} Missing Class: {missing\_class} Your task is to: 1. Based on the function that "Extracted Functions" field contains, for each Class and Function , use the problem information provided to write a subproblem description that includes: - Name of the function/class. - The purpose of the function/class. - How it contributes to solving the overall problem. - Any dependencies it has on other functions. Set a reminder of functions that need to be called. 2. Return the results in the following JSON format. Use the subproblem statement you write to fill in the "statement" field and the information of each function to fill the "depth" and "dependencies" fields. ```json {{ "problem-id": "{problem\_id}", "subproblems": [ }} {{
"name": "...",
"statement": "...",
"solution": "...", "depth":"...", "dependencies":[...] }}, }} Reminder: - Please follow the system instruction and ensure that each function is described accurately and comprehensively. If a function has no dependencies, you can just return the main or top-level function description. - For the solution code of each subproblem, please return the whole complete function definition, including the function signature, parameters, and body. - You need to output the subproblems following the dependency order, starting from the functions that have no dependencies and let the function which depends on other functions be described later. - Don't forget to include both the whole Class and the function inside the Class as solution in the solution code as a subproblem, otherwise there will be a gap between the funciton in the class and outside the class. You only need to return the json with the "subproblems" list filled following the "```json" mark in the next line. ```json

Figure 11: The prompt template used for generating natural language description for each subproblem in stage III.

```
"problem-id": "1946E",
 "subproblems":
 "name": "comb",
 "statement": "Compute the binomial coefficient C(n, k) modulo 10^{9} + 7. This function is essential for calculating
 the number of ways to choose k elements from a set of n elements, which is a key part of determining the number of
 valid permutations in the problem. The function uses precomputed factorials and inverse factorials to efficiently
 compute the result.",
 "solution": "MOD = 10 ** 9 + 7 \ln fact = [1] * \max_{fact \in [1]} * \max_{fact \in
 < 0 or n < k:
\n return 0\n return fact[n] * inv_fact[k] % MOD * inv_fact[n - k] % MOD",
 "depth": 1,
 "dependencies": [],
 }.
 "name": "solve",
 "statement": "Read input, process each test case, and compute the number of valid permutations. The function first
 checks if the given prefix and suffix maximums are valid. If not, it outputs 0. Otherwise, it calculates the number of
 valid permutations by dividing the problem into left and right parts, using the 'comb' function to compute binomial
 coefficients and factorials to account for the arrangement of elements between indices. The result is computed
 modulo 10^9 + 7 and printed for each test case.",
 "solution": "MOD = 10 ** 9 + 7\nfact = [1] * max fact\ndef solve():\n import sys\n input =
 sys.stdin.read().split()\n ptr = 0\n t = int(input[ptr])\n ptr += 1\n for _ in range(t):\n n = int(input[ptr])\n m1 = 0\n t = int(input[ptr])\n t = i
 int(input[ptr + 1]) \ m2 = int(input[ptr + 2]) \ mbox{ ptr += } 3 \ mbox{ p = } list(map(int, input[ptr:ptr + m1])) \ mbox{ ptr += } m1 \ mbox{ s = } m1 \ mb
 list(map(int, input[ptr:ptr + m2])) n ptr += m2/n if p[0] != 1 or s[-1] != n or p[-1] != s[0]:/n print(0)/n continue/n s0
 = s[0] \ln res = comb(n - 1, s0 - 1) \ln range(m1 - 2, -1, -1): \ln next_p = p[i + 1] \ln current_p = p[i] \ln k = next_p - 1 \ln current_p = p[i] \ln k = next_p - 1 \ln current_p = p[i] \ln k = next_p - 1 \ln current_p = next_p - 1 \ln curr
 current p - 1 h c = comb(next <math>p - 2, k) h f = fact[k] h res = res * c \% MOD h res = res * f \% MOD h for i in range(1, 1) h res = res * f \% MOD h for i in range(1, 1) h res = res * f \% MOD h res = res * f \% MOD h for i in range(1, 1) h res = res * f \% MOD h res = res * f \% M res = res * f \% M res = res * f \% M res = res * res * f \% M res
 m2): \ln \text{prev } s = s[i - 1] \ln \text{current } s = s[i] \ln \text{total} = n - \text{prev } s - 1 \ln k = \text{current } s - \text{prev } s - 1 \ln c = \text{comb(total, k)} \ln f
 = fact[k]\n res = res * c % MOD\n res = res * f % MOD\n print(res)",
 "depth": 0,
 "dependencies":["comb"],
]
```

Figure 12: An example of subproblems we obtained in stage IV. The solution code of 1946E contains a comb function which serve as the basic tool and is reused in solve function to address the whole problem. It's obvious that in its AST, the comb function is the leave node in depth 1 and the solve function is the root node in depth 0.

• **Subproblem function tests** For every other subproblem (i.e. functions invoked by higherlevel code), we wrap each function call in a helper that redirects stdin and stdout to an internal buffer and records the resulting I/O. This can generate redundant calls for the same function, so we apply two safeguards to keep the test suite concise: deduplication of identical test cases and limiting the total number of test cases per function. These measures ensure comprehensive coverage without unnecessary duplication or excessive test-case volume.

Such method can ensure the test case generation pipeline to be automatic and the case itself to be correct.

# **C** Mathematical Expression of PD@k& APD@k

For a given problem, we define PD@k as the expected maximum pass depth over k independent trials of the model. Directly using only those k results leads to high variance, just as with the pass@k metric. By analogy to the unbiased estimator for pass@k, which leverages n trials (n > k) to reduce variance, we derive a similar estimator for PD@k.

Let the pass depths from n trials be:

$$\{d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n\},\$$
  
 $d_{(1)} \le d_{(2)} \le \dots \le d_{(n)}$ 

and let

denote these depths in ascending order. Then an unbiased estimator for PD@k is

$$PD@k = \sum_{j=k}^{n} d_{(j)} \frac{\binom{j-1}{k-1}}{\binom{n}{k}}.$$
(1)

To see how this arises, consider sampling a random subset of size k from the n depths. Let  $M = \max\{d_{i_1}, d_{i_2}, \ldots, d_{i_k}\}$  be the maximum depth in that subset. An unbiased estimator of M is  $\mathbb{E}[M]$ . By construct  $\mathbb{E}[M] = PD@k$ , this estimator is *unbiased* since its expected value exactly equals the true expected maximum depth. Consider all possible value of M, we have:

$$\mathbb{E}[M] = \sum_{m} m P(M = m) = \sum_{j=k}^{n} d_{(j)} P(M = d_{(j)}).$$
(2)

The probability that  $M = d_{(j)}$  equals the probability of choosing  $d_{(j)}$  along with k - 1 depths from the first j - 1 smaller values:

$$P(M = d_{(j)}) = \frac{\binom{j-1}{k-1}}{\binom{n}{k}}.$$
(3)

Combining (3) and (4) immediately recovers (1).

Finally, we define

$$APD@k = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{P}|} \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} PD@k(p) \tag{4}$$

the average PD@k over the set  $\mathcal{P}$  of all problems.

# **D** Experiment

#### **D.1** The Setting of Experiment

Due to the substantial size of the total question pool (N = 5258), we implemented stratified sampling with proportional allocation across overall-depth categories to select 1,000 test samples, as detailed in Table 4. To validate sampling quality, we conducted a  $\chi^2$  test comparing the overall-turn distributions between the population and sampled data (Table 5). The statistical analysis yielded a p-value of 0.1246, indicating no significant difference ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ) in distribution patterns. This confirms the representativeness of our sampling strategy and ensures the validity of subsequent analytical outcomes.

| Table 4: Comparison of Overall-De | pth Proportions Between the Po | pulation and the Sample |
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| Overall-Depth | # Population | Pop. Proportion (%) | # Sample | Sam. Proportion (%) |
|---------------|--------------|---------------------|----------|---------------------|
| 1             | 1,488        | 28.3                | 283      | 28.3                |
| 2             | 2,751        | 52.3                | 523      | 52.3                |
| 3             | 870          | 16.5                | 165      | 16.5                |
| 4             | 125          | 2.4                 | 24       | 2.4                 |
| $\geq 5$      | 24           | 0.5                 | 5        | 0.5                 |
| Total         | 5,258        | 100.0               | 1,000    | 100.0               |

| Overall-Turn | # Population | Pop. Proportion (%) | # Sample | Sam. Proportion (%) |
|--------------|--------------|---------------------|----------|---------------------|
| 1            | 1,488        | 28.3                | 283      | 28.3                |
| 2            | 2,158        | 41.0                | 437      | 43.7                |
| 3            | 990          | 18.8                | 188      | 18.8                |
| 4            | 402          | 7.6                 | 58       | 5.8                 |
| 5            | 149          | 2.8                 | 21       | 2.1                 |
| 6            | 46           | 0.9                 | 6        | 0.6                 |
| $\geq 7$     | 25           | 0.5                 | 7        | 0.7                 |
| Total        | 5,258        | 100.0               | 1,000    | 100.0               |

 Table 5: Comparison of Overall-Turn Proportions Between the Population and the Sample

## **D.2** Instruction Templates

## **Multi-turn Test**

You are a Programming Expert. You always provide correct and reliable code solutions. You will be provided with the background of the whole problem, a programming problem and may also some pre-implemented functions. If pre-implemented functions provided, you need to call the pre-implemented functions and write a new function to solve the problem.

## Background of the whole problem:
{problem\_description}

## Problem Description: You need to complete name function. {statement}

## Dependency information: To solve the problem, you need to utilize the ## Pre-implemented functions {dependencies} provided.

## Pre-implemented functions:
{history}

## Guidelines:

- Ensure the function is executable and meets the requirement.
- Handle ## Dependency information correctly.
- Provide clear and concise comments to explain key parts of the code.

Return your response by filling the function body following the function signature provided. Just generate the function and don't output any examples.

In the instruction template for multi-turn testing, we implemented a set of basic heuristics to adapt to different problem types. For example, if a question has no dependencies, we omit the "## Dependency information" section. If no prior code is provided—which is common when the overall depth is 1—we exclude the "## Pre-implemented functions" section. Furthermore, if it is the final turn of the code, we append the following snippet:

```
import sys
def {name}():
 input = sys.stdin.read().split()
```

## **Single-turn Test**

You are a Programming Expert. You always provide correct and reliable code solutions. You are required to solve a problem which consists of multiple subproblems, each with its own requirements. You will be provided with the background of the problem and description of all subproblems. You need to generate the complete implementations for all subproblems in a single response. The response for the final subproblem will be tested using stdin and stdout. Ensure the corresponding code meet this requirement.

## Background of the whole problem:
{problem\_description}

## Problem Description: {combined\_subproblem\_description} ## Subproblem {name} # Description: You need to complete {name} function. {statement} To solve the problem, you need to utilize your pre-implemented function {dependencies}. ## Guidelines: - Ensure that all functions are executable and meet their respective requirements. - For each subproblem, correctly handle any dependency information. - Provide clear and concise comments explaining the key parts of the code. - For the last subproblem name, please use 'import sys\ndef {name}():\n input = sys.stdin.read().split()\n" as the beginning. Return your response by generating all functions in a single code block.

Similarly, if the problem does not have any dependencies, we will also omit the section related to {dependencies}.

# D.3 Pass Turn Result

| Model                      | Average | Turn-1 | Turn-2 | Turn-3 | Turn-4 | Turn-5 |
|----------------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Closed-Source              |         |        |        |        |        |        |
| o3-mini                    | 0.600   | 0.322  | 0.632  | 0.777  | 0.983  | 0.571  |
| o1-mini                    | 0.581   | 0.233  | 0.645  | 0.798  | 0.879  | 0.667  |
| GPT-4.1-mini               | 0.646   | 0.265  | 0.760  | 0.803  | 1.034  | 0.762  |
| GPT-40                     | 0.537   | 0.177  | 0.604  | 0.697  | 1.017  | 0.476  |
| GPT-4o-mini                | 0.467   | 0.137  | 0.501  | 0.638  | 0.982  | 0.476  |
| Gemini-2.0-flash           | 0.541   | 0.183  | 0.595  | 0.702  | 0.948  | 0.667  |
| Claude-3.5-Sonnet          | 0.461   | 0.117  | 0.508  | 0.574  | 1.000  | 0.571  |
| Open-Source (7B-Level)     |         |        |        |        |        |        |
| Qwen2.5-Coder-7B-Instruct  | 0.258   | 0.018  | 0.270  | 0.394  | 0.638  | 0.286  |
| Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct      | 0.232   | 0.011  | 0.245  | 0.404  | 0.534  | 0.476  |
| Yi-Coder-9B-Chat           | 0.247   | 0.021  | 0.314  | 0.324  | 0.362  | 0.286  |
| Open-Source (32B-Level)    |         |        |        |        |        |        |
| Qwen2.5-Coder-32B-Instruct | 0.352   | 0.067  | 0.391  | 0.532  | 0.569  | 0.666  |
| QwQ-32B-Preview            | 0.515   | 0.261  | 0.606  | 0.553  | 0.828  | 0.381  |
| Open-Source (70B-Level)    |         |        |        |        |        |        |
| Llama-3.3-70B-Instruct     | 0.493   | 0.163  | 0.515  | 0.681  | 1.000  | 0.476  |
| Qwen2.5-72B-Instruct       | 0.330   | 0.110  | 0.350  | 0.452  | 0.517  | 0.429  |
| Open-Source (Large Model)  |         |        |        |        |        |        |
| Deepseek-V3                | 0.572   | 0.219  | 0.622  | 0.750  | 0.966  | 0.810  |
| Deepseek-R1                | 0.609   | 0.304  | 0.677  | 0.766  | 0.966  | 0.860  |

Table 6: Multi-turn pass@turn results for various models.

# **E** Discussion

#### E.1 Discussion on Models' DSC Performance

For a problem, the DSC metric is defined as:

$$DSC(problem) = \frac{Overall-Turns(problem)}{Overall-Depth(problem)}$$

Recall that the overall-turn and overall-depth of a problem are derived from its AST, corresponding to the number of nodes and the depth of its AST. Based on this, we can see that a high *DSC* value indicates a problem with a complex dependency structure. Figure 13 presents the *pass@1* scores of models across different *DSC* intervals. It can be observed that most models are only capable of solving problems with *DSC* equal to 1, which corresponds to a simple linear dependency structure. Only a few leading models are able to solve a limited number of problems with *DSC* values below 1.33. All models struggle significantly when faced with problems involving more complex structures.

| GPT-4.1-mini      | 0.28            | 0.08   | 0.01   | 0.00  |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|-------|
| o3-mini           | 0.26            | 0.08   | 0.01   | 0.00  |
| o1-mini           | 0.24            | 0.08   | 0.01   | 0.00  |
| Deepseek-R1       | 0.24            | 0.01   | 0.01   | 0.00  |
| Deepseek-V3       | 0.21            | 0.08   | 0.01   | 0.00  |
| GPT-4o            | - 0.20          | 0.08   | 0.01   | 0.00  |
| Gemini-2.0-Flash  | - 0.20          | 0.01   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
| Qwq-32B           | - 0.20          | 0.00   | 0.01   | 0.00  |
| Llama-3.3-70B     | - 0.17          | 0.01   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
| GPT-4o-mini       | - 0.16          | 0.01   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
| Claude-3.5-Sonnet | - 0.16          | 0.01   | 0.01   | 0.00  |
| Qwen2.5-72B       | - 0.11          | 0.01   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
| Qwen2.5-32B       | - 0.10          | 0.00   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
| Yi-Coder-9B       | - 0.06          | 0.00   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
| Qwen2.5-7B        | - 0.03          | 0.00   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
| Llama-3.1-8B      | - 0.01          | 0.00   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
|                   | ~ <sup>00</sup> | 001.33 | 337.61 | 2.61× |

Figure 13: Heatmap of models' pass@1 scores on multi-turn problems within different DSC intervals.

# E.2 Error Case Study

We have defined three typical error types for test in multi-turn pattern, in this part we will introduce several example to illustrate them. We have simplify and arrange model's outputs to make it clear to read. The content of "generated" field is model's output. The content of "harness\_result" field is the verification result by running it with test cases."1" denotes accepted, "0" denotes wrong answer and "wrong" denotes running error.

```
"problem-id": "1799F",
"subproblems":
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 {"name": "comb",...},
 {"name": "sub",...},
 {"name": "solve case",
 "statement": "The solve_case function determines the minimum cost of an array after performing the allowed
operations. It sorts the array in descending order and iterates over possible numbers of elements to which both operations
are applied. For each scenario, it calculates the cost by applying the half and sub operations optimally. The function uses
dynamic programming to efficiently compute the minimum cost, ensuring that the constraints on the number of
operations are respected.",
 "depth": 1,
 "dependencies": ["half", "sub"],
 "test_code" : [{"input": "(3, 2, 1, 1, [9, 5, 3])", "output": "11" }, ...],
 "generated" :
 def solve_case(n: int, b: int, k1: int, k2: int, a: List[int]) -> int:
 # Sort in descending order to apply operations on the largest elements first
 a_sorted = sorted(a, reverse=True)
min_cost = float('inf')
 # t = number of elements receiving both operations
 max_t = min(k1, k2, n)
for t in range(max_t + 1):
 rem_{k1} = k1 - t
rem_{k2} = k2 - t
 rem_K2 = K2 - t
temp = a_sorted.copy()
Apply both operations to the first t elements
for i in range(t):
 temp[i] = sub(half(temp[i]), b)
Deliver of the first temp is a subject of
 # Build list of potential gains for remaining elements
 gains = []
 for i in range(t, n):
 ror in range(, n):
 orig = temp[i]
 gain_half = orig - half(orig)
 gain_sub = orig - sub(orig, b)
 best_gain = max(gain_half, gain_sub)
 gains.append((best_gain, gain_half, gain_sub, i)))
Prioritize by largest possible reduction
 gains.sort(reverse=True, key=lambda x: x[0])

 used1 = used2 = 0
 dseup = dseup = 0
for best_gain, g1, g2, idx in gains:
 if used1 < rem_k1 and used2 < rem_k2:
 if g1 >= g2:
 temp[idx] = half(temp[idx])
 used1 += 1
 else:
 temp[idx] = sub(temp[idx], b)
 used2 += 1
 elif used1 < rem_k1:
 temp[idx] = half(temp[idx])
 used1 += 1
elif used2 < rem_k2:
 temp[idx] = sub(temp[idx], b)</pre>
 used2 += 1
 else:
 break
 # Compute total cost for this split
 current_cost = sum(temp)
 min_cost = min(min_cost, current_cost)
 return min cost
 "harness_result" : [1,1,1,1,1,1,0]}
]
```

Figure 14: Example of an Incomplete Reasoning (IR) Error by Deepseek-V3. The original problem is 1799F. The algorithm produced by the model fails to find the global optimum because it greedily sorts each element according to the single-step gain—choosing either the halving operation or the subtraction operation in isolation. In reality, achieving the global optimum requires a two-dimensional dynamic-programming solution that considers both operations jointly.

```
"problem-id": "2005D",
 'subproblems":
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 {"name": " compute_prefix_suffix",
 "statement": "Compute the prefix and suffix GCDs for the given array. The prefix GCD at index i is the GCD of
all elements from the start of the array up to index i. Similarly, the suffix GCD at index i is the GCD of all elements from
index i to the end of the array. This function is essential for determining the GCDs of subarrays, which is crucial for
finding the optimal swap range to maximize the sum of GCDs.",
 "depth": 1,
 "dependencies": [],
 "test_code" : ["input": "([11, 4, 16, 17, 3, 24, 25, 8], 8)",
 "output": "([0, 11, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1], [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 8, 0])"}, ...],
 "generated":
 def compute_prefix_suffix(arr, n):
 prefix_gcd = [0] * (n + 2)
suffix_gcd = [0] * (n + 2)
 # Compute prefix GCD
prefix_gcd[0] = 0 # No elements before index 0
 suffix_gcd[n + 1] = 0 # No elements after index n
 sufrix_gccl[n + 1] = 0 # NO elements after index n
if n >= 1:
 suffix_gcd[n] = arr[n - 1]
 for i in range(n - 1, 0, -1):
 suffix_gcd[i] = gcd(suffix_gcd[i + 1], arr[i - 1])
 return (prefix_gcd, suffix_gcd)
"harness_result": ["wrong", "wrong", "wrong", "wrong",...]}
```

Figure 15: Example 1 of an Insufficient Globalization(IG) error by Deepseek-V3.The original problem is 2005D.The model's generated code omitted the import math statement, resulting in an error when calling gcd. This issue stems from improper handling of external imports.



Figure 16: Example 2 of an Insufficient Globalization(IG) error by Deepseek-V3. The original problem is 1734F Because the program reads new inputs and performs fresh calculations for each test case, failing to clear the cache beforehand can inadvertently reuse stale results from a previous case. This leads to incorrect output due to unintended interaction between caching and I/O.



Figure 17: Example of an Instruction Misinterpretation(IM) error by Deepseek-V3.The original problem is 1575H Although the DP routine correctly unpacks both transition and match\_counts from build\_transition(b), it merely treats match\_counts as an ordinary list. In reality, match\_counts carries two essential pieces of semantic information.(1)Match indicator.It denotes a complete match of b.(2)Backtrack hint. It's a hint in combination with the prefix function, indicating how far the automaton should jump back after a match to continue detecting overlapping occurrences. This error is caused by models' misinterpretation to the dependency relationship between tool function and top-level function

# F Impact Statement

This paper introduces CodeFlowBench, a comprehensive benchmark for evaluating code generation models in realistic multi-turn, dependency-driven development scenarios. For research, CodeFlow-Bench fills a critical gap by providing a standardized suite of tasks that require iterative reasoning, function dependency management, and end-to-end solution assembly. By exposing models' deficiencies in global awareness, instruction consistency, and dependency handling, CodeFlowBench will catalyze the design of new architectures and training paradigms that explicitly model iterative workflows and cross-turn coherence. Its open dataset and evaluation protocol invite the community to develop and compare dependency-aware generation strategies, driving progress toward more robust and developer-friendly code assistants.

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