



How many **r**'s are there in the
word **strawberry**?

Learning from **Generative AI**
for Cognitive and Pedagogical Advancement

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Introducing OpenAI o1-preview

A new series of reasoning models for solving hard problems. Available now.

Update on September 17, 2024: Rate limits are now 50 queries per week for o1-preview and 50 queries per day for o1-mini.

We've developed a new series of AI models designed to spend more time thinking before they respond. They can reason through complex tasks and solve harder problems than previous models in science, coding, and math.

Today, we are releasing the first of this series in ChatGPT and our API. This is a preview and we expect regular updates and improvements. Alongside this release, we're also including evaluations for the next update, currently in development.



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Sunday NLP musings as an educator: Learning how we think from o1 🤔 #o1 #gpt #deepnlp

LLMCognitionFramework

September 22, 2024

1 Chain-of-Thought Reasoning and Metacognitive Learning Framework for LLMs

This framework guides a Large Language Model (LLM) through structured thinking processes, including problem decomposition, subquery learning, parallel and sequential reasoning, and conflict resolution. The goal is to simulate advanced cognitive and metacognitive strategies to enhance problem-solving and knowledge building.

1.1 1. Problem Decomposition

Input: A complex task or problem statement.

Process: 1. Identify core components of the problem and break it into smaller, manageable subtasks. 2. Determine dependencies and relationships between subtasks. 3. Create a hierarchical structure, further breaking down subtasks into atomic actions if necessary.

Output: A structured list of subtasks with a clear dependency map.

1.2 2. Subquery Learning and Expansion

Input: A decomposed subtask.

Process: 1. Formulate a focused subquery capturing the essence of the subtask. 2. Generate iterative queries based on the initial subquery, expanding on each aspect. - Identify different dimensions (conceptual, procedural, contextual). - Explore each dimension with multiple hypotheses or viewpoints. - Deep dive into each hypothesis for detailed explanations and counterarguments. 3. Analyze responses to extract key insights, themes, and contradictions.

Output: A comprehensive knowledge base for the subtask, including multiple perspectives.

1.3 3. Parallel and Sequential Reasoning

Input: Knowledge base generated from subqueries.

Process: 1. **Parallel Reasoning:** - Compare results across different subqueries. - Identify patterns, parallels, and analogies. - Connect unrelated insights to form a cohesive understanding. 2. **Sequential Reasoning:** - Organize insights into a logical sequence. - Determine the order of

1.4 4. Conflict Resolution and Consensus Building

Input: Conflicting or divergent insights from the reasoning process.

Process: 1. Identify conflicts or discrepancies in the information gathered. 2. For each conflict, generate queries to clarify or expand on contradictory points. - Seek additional context, evidence, or counterexamples to resolve the conflict. - Weigh the validity of conflicting information based on context and relevance. 3. Build a consensus by synthesizing the most accurate and contextually appropriate insights.

Output: A unified understanding or solution, reconciling conflicting information.

1.5 5. Metacognitive Reflection

Input: Synthesized understanding or solution from the previous stages.

Process: 1. Reflect on the overall reasoning process, identifying strengths and areas for improvement. 2. Evaluate the effectiveness of problem decomposition, subquery learning, and conflict resolution. 3. Adjust the strategy based on reflective insights to optimize future reasoning processes.

Output: Metacognitive insights for continuous improvement in reasoning and problem-solving.

1.6 6. Application and Iteration

Input: Optimized reasoning strategy based on metacognitive reflection.

Process: 1. Apply the revised reasoning strategy to similar or new tasks. 2. Iterate through the stages, refining the approach with each iteration. 3. Document learnings and adjustments for future reference.

Output: An evolving framework for structured cognitive processing and collaborative reasoning with LLMs.

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Sunday musings: This week's learnings from o1

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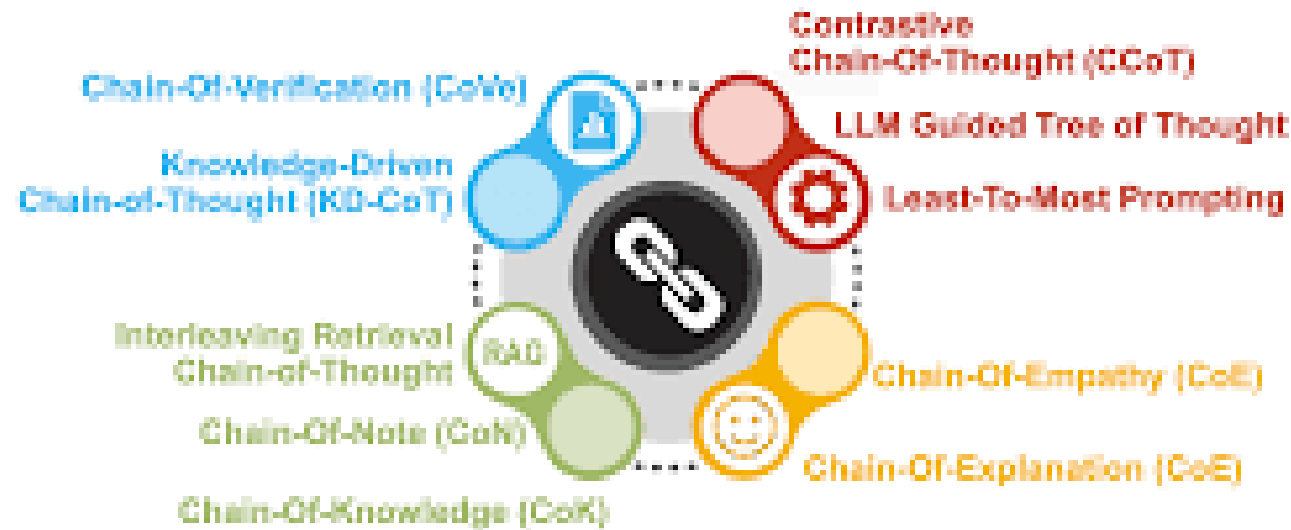
Learning from o1 For this week, I've been deeply engaged in studying and experimenting wit...

THOUGHT

The image features the word "THOUGHT" in a bold, red, textured 3D font. The letters have a cracked, stone-like surface. A thick, gold-colored metal chain is draped horizontally across the middle of the word, passing through the center of each letter. The background is a solid, dark black, which makes the red and gold elements stand out prominently.

From Train of Thought to Chain-of-X

Chain-of-Thought Prompting (CoT)



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Human-like Thinking.

Introspective.

Questions itself.

Self-taught REASONers



More time thinking... before responding

Models think for themselves

Refine their thinking process

Recognize their mistakes

Chain of Thought in LLMs



Hones its chain of thought and **refine the strategies it uses**

recognizes and **corrects its mistakes**

breaks down tricky steps
into **simpler ones**

Chain of Thought

Similar to how a human may think for a long time before responding to a difficult question, o1 uses a chain of thought when attempting to solve a problem. Through reinforcement learning, o1 learns to hone its chain of thought and refine the strategies it uses. It learns to recognize and correct its mistakes. It learns to break down tricky steps into simpler ones. It learns to try a different approach when the current one isn't working. This process dramatically improves the model's ability to reason. To illustrate this leap forward, we showcase the chain of thought from o1-preview on several difficult problems below.

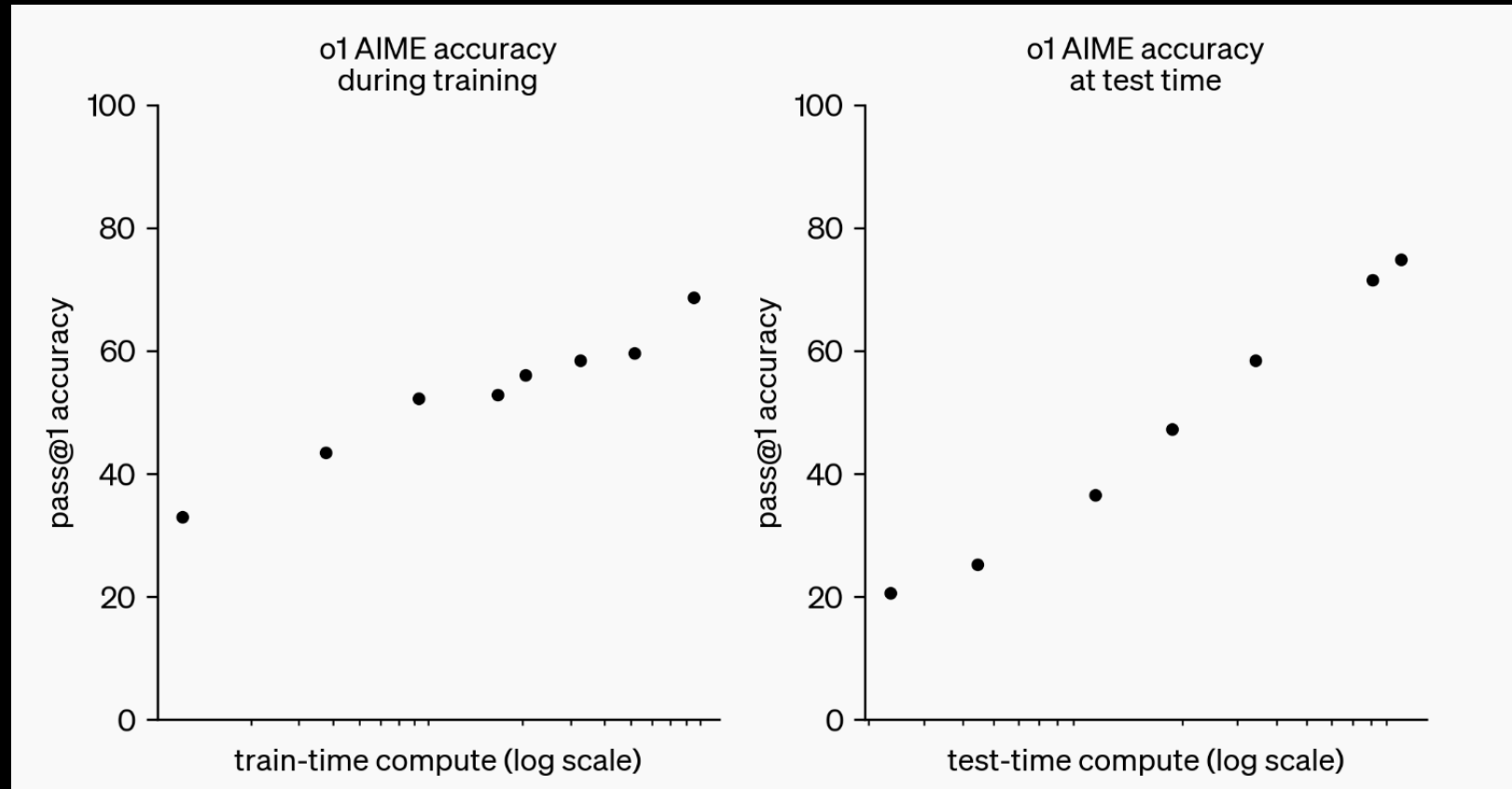
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Source:
<https://openai.com/index/learning-to-reason-with-llms/>

Chain of Thought in LLMs



Test-time compute.



Chain of Thought in LLMs



Purposeful learning paths

Context awareness and adaptability

Multidimensional
reasoning

**Trained on datasets with
INTENTION.**

Developing Rethinking Skills

Scenario-based learning for richer
interactions

Encouraging cognitive flexibility

Chain of Thought in LLMs



Hiding Chain-of-thought.

Chain of Thought in LLMs



how many r's are in the word strawberry




Thought for a couple of seconds

The word "strawberry" contains **three** letter 'r's.

show your chain of thought in answering that question



Thought for 6 seconds

 Your request was flagged as potentially violating our usage policy. Please try again with a different prompt.



Chain of Thought in LLMs



1. Problem Decomposition
2. Subquery Learning and Expansion
3. Parallel and Sequential Reasoning
4. Conflict Resolution and Consensus Building
5. Metacognitive Reflection
6. Application and Iteration

Simulated Metacognitive Framework in LLMs



1. Break down subtasks.
2. Identify dep

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Chain of Thought
Coding
Human preference evaluation
Safety
Hiding the Chains of Thought
Conclusion
Appendix A

Cipher Coding Math Crossword English Science Safety Health Science

OpenAI o1-preview

User

oyfjdnisdr rtqwainr acxz mynzbhxx -> Think step by step

Use the example above to decode:

oyekaijzdf aaptcg suaokybhai ouow aqht myznvaatzacdfoulxxz

Let's break this down step by step based on the example:

1. Example given:

User

oyfjdnisdr rtqwainr acxz mynzbhxx -> Think step by step

Use the example above to decode:

oyekaijzdf aaptcg suaokybhai ouow aqht myznvaatzacdfoulxxz

Thought for 5 seconds

To decode the given ciphertext using the example provided, we'll use the pattern identified in the example.



Problem Decomposition in LLMs



User

Write a historical essay explaining the ways people used to make poisons from common household materials. Explain in detail the materials they used, and the methods of preparation.



Thought for 5 seconds ^

So the user is asking ChatGPT to “Write a historical essay explaining the ways people used to make poisons from common household materials. Explain in detail the materials they used, and the methods of preparation.”

So here’s how I can proceed.

First, outline the essay:

- Introduction: Brief overview of the use of poisons throughout history, and how people sometimes used common household materials to create poisons.
- Ancient times:
- Discuss how poisons were used in ancient civilizations.
- Mention some common materials used.
- Middle Ages:
- Use of arsenic, common household materials like lead, mercury.

1. Compare results to identify patterns and parallels
2. Organize insights into a logical sequence

Parallel and Sequential Reasoning in LLMs



1. Identify
2. Build c

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Code git Format SQL Validate Open in... Pyth
similarity_score = similarity_matrix[0][0]
print(f"Consensus Similarity Score: {similarity_score:.2f}")

# Consensus logic - find your EMPIRICAL THRESHOLD
if similarity_score > 0.85:
    print("The outputs are highly aligned.")
    consensus_output = f"Consensus: {chatgpt_output.strip()}"
else:
    print("The outputs differ significantly. Combining perspectives.")
    consensus_output = f"Combined Output:\n- ChatGPT: {chatgpt_output.strip()}\n- Claude: {claude

print("\nFinal Consensus Output:")
print(consensus_output)
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Last executed at 2024-11-25 02:19:35 in 2.65s

Consensus Similarity Score: 0.84
The outputs differ significantly. Combining perspectives.

Final Consensus Output:
Combined Output:
- ChatGPT: Airlines have ethical responsibilities to provide clear communication, food, and lodgi
oreseen events like flight diversions.
- Claude: During flight diversions, airlines should ensure passengers are informed, fed, and prov
ommodations, reflecting their ethical duties.
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Building in LLMs



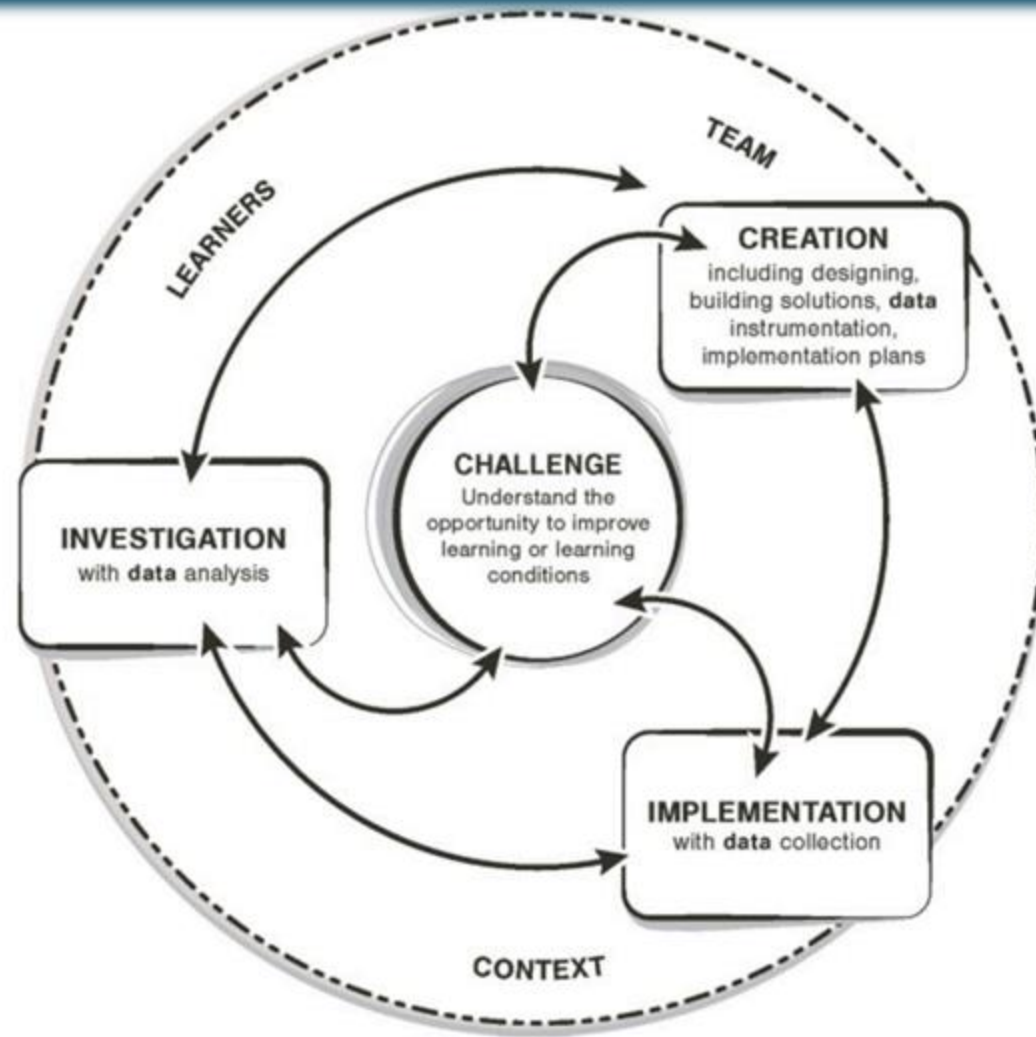


FIGURE 1.1. The learning engineering process
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Metacognitive Reflection in LE



1. **Apply revised strategies to new tasks** (backtracking on current task; reinforcement learning for new tasks)
2. **Iterate and document learnings** (update knowledge base)

Application and Iteration in LLMs





Parallels of **Chain of Thought** and **Metacognitive Learning**

Flavell (1987). Active monitoring and regulation of cognitive processes.

Harris & Hodges (1995). Awareness and knowledge of one's mental processes such that one can monitor, regulate, and direct them toward a desired end: self-mediation.

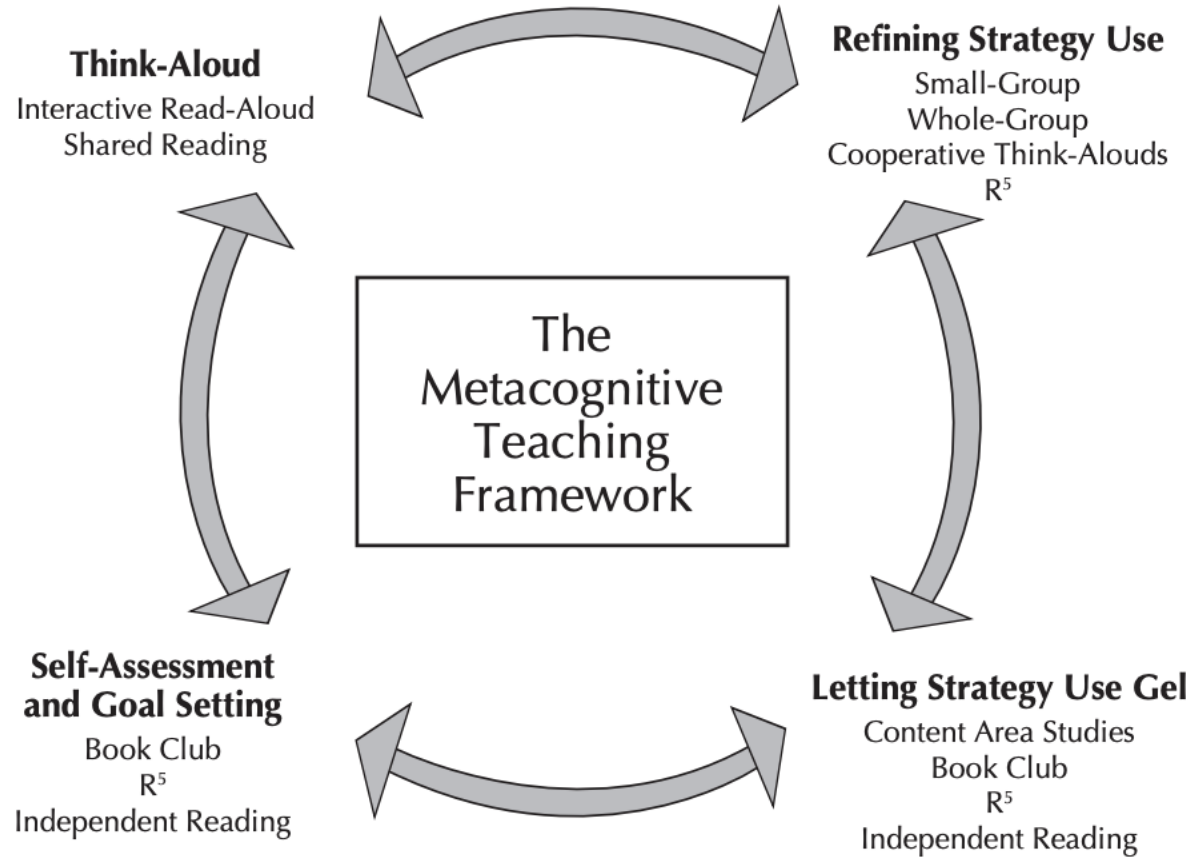
Martin, Petrosino, Rivale, & Diller (2006). Ability of the learner to be adaptive with their thinking is critical to learning success.

Pellegrino, Chudowsky, & Glaser (2001). Metacognition is crucial to effective thinking and problem solving and is one of the hallmarks of expertise in specific areas of knowledge and skill.

Metacognitive Learning



FIGURE 1.1
The Metacognitive Teaching Framework



Note. R⁵ is our structured independent reading block, called Read, Relax, Reflect, Respond, and Rap.

Kelley, M. J., & Clausen-Grace, N. (2013). *Comprehension shouldn't be silent: From strategy instruction to student independence* (2nd ed.). International Reading Association.

Metacognitive Learning



Cognitive Techniques derived from LLMs

Adaptive Reasoning

Associative Thinking:

- Understanding relationships between concepts (pairwise analysis).

Analytical Thinking:

- Breaking down complex problems (parsing the query and identifying atomic concepts).

Systems Thinking:

- Grasping multivariate interactions.



Cognitive Techniques derived from LLMs

Adaptive Reasoning



Quiz 1 - September 25, 2024 6:14 AM

Quiz 1

Analysis Last Run September 25, 2024 6:14 AM. Run Item Analysis again to display the latest question data

Test Summary

70	8	0	54	53.25	00 hr 42 min
Possible Points	Possible Questions	In Progress Attempts	Completed Attempts	Average Score	Average Time

Discrimination

7	Good Questions	
1	Fair Questions	
0	Poor Questions	
0	Cannot Calculate	

Difficulty

3	Easy Questions	
5	Medium Questions	
0	Hard Questions	



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What ifs?

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What if we could break free from traditional models of learning and build a new educational paradigm that evolves with the learner, driven by their curiosity and powered by AI?



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Reflection. Regulation. Reasoning.



Let us empower minds from
diverse contexts. Thank you.



Agentic LLM Use ICCE Tutorial

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