Responsible NLP Checklist

Paper title: From Long to Lean: Performance-aware and Adaptive Chain-of-Thought Compression via Multi-round Refinement

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 Implementation Details
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 Not applicable. We only use publicly available datasets (e.g., GSM8K, StrategyQA), which were released for research purposes and do not contain personally identifiable information. No additional data was collected by the authors.
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