

Efficient Multimodal Reasoning and Inference Optimization

Video Generation Evaluation:
Survey and Empirical Audit

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PROJECT FOCUS

Can benchmark scores explain the quality we actually see?

Background: Efficient generation should preserve quality

Examples for good visual video and bad visual video

VISIBLE SUCCESS



Smooth motion; the person and scene stay coherent.

VISIBLE FAILURE



The chair duplicates, bends, and changes shape.

Efficient generation



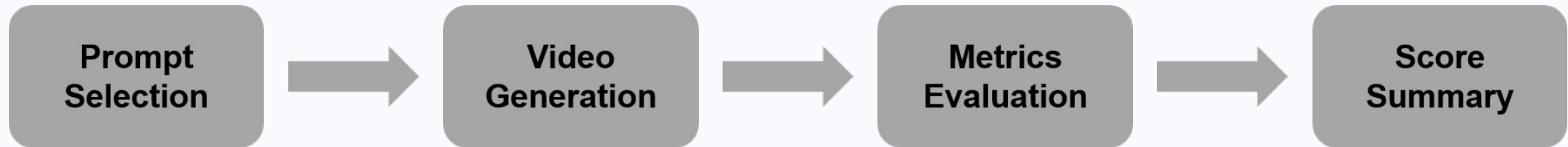
Preserve quality



Evaluate it reliably

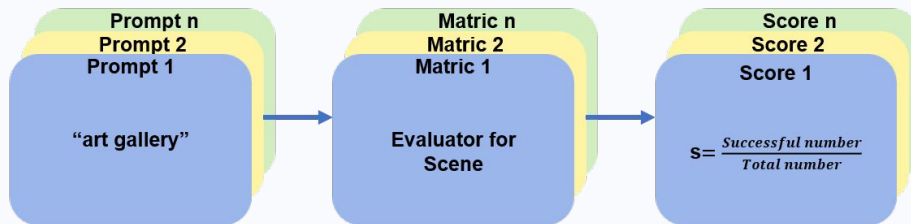
Benchmark survey: how video quality becomes a score

Basic Pipeline

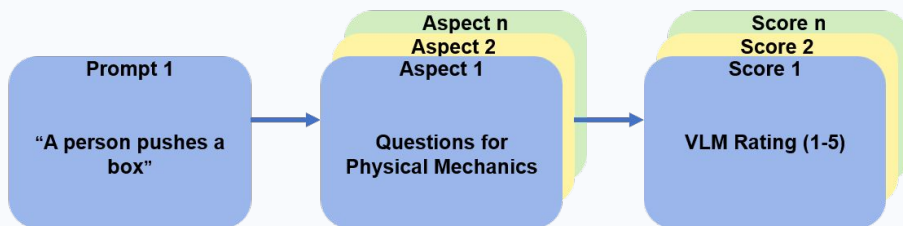


Four benchmark designs studied

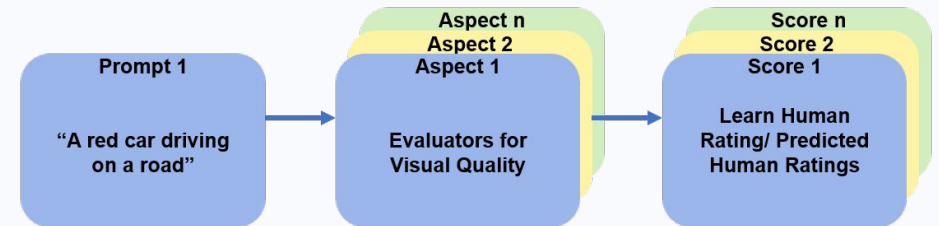
- **VBench series** controlled capability tests



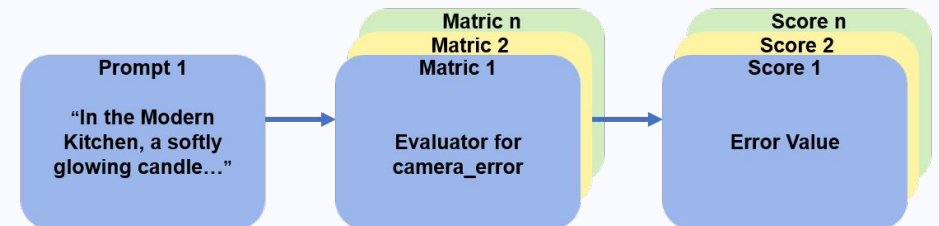
- **WorldJen** AI questions + VLM ratings



- **EvalCrafter** many metrics + human calibration



- **WorldScore** static + dynamic video metrics



Main question: does the score agree with what a person can see?

Limitations observed in video generation benchmarks

- 1. Separate tests can leave coverage gaps**
Background stability and prompt alignment may be tested on different videos.
- 2. Hard thresholds create abrupt decisions**
Similar motion can receive opposite 0/1 decisions.
- 3. Evaluators can miss visible content**
Tag2Text missed a visible art gallery.
- 4. Unrelated failures can affect metric scores**
Collapse or deformation can distort motion scores.
- 5. Averages hide generation reliability**
The same mean can represent stable outputs or mixed successes and failures.

Example: An evaluator can miss content that viewers clearly see

Metric: SCENE

Prompt: “art gallery”

SCENE SCORE: 0.000



The art gallery is visible, but Tag2Text omitted the required scene label.

SCENE SCORE: 1.000



Tag2Text included the required scene label.

Tag2Text is the captioning model used by this VBench metric.

Method: Tag2Text captions each frame; the scene score checks whether the required scene words appear.

Example: Generation collapse can dominate a motion score

Metric: Motion accuracy

Prompt:

“The jellyfish gently pulsates its bell, propelling itself upward through the water”



VC1 · collapsed · score -96.39



VC2 · mostly static · score -5.08

Both videos miss the requested action, but collapse receives a much larger penalty than static output.

Q&A

Questions?

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