Supplementary Material for

M3L: Language-based Video Editing via Multi-Modal Multi-Level Transformers

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Figure 1. The sampled source videos, the ground-truth target videos, and the generated LBVE videos on all three datasets.

A. Zero-shot Generalization under E-JESTER

We conduct the zero-shot setting on E-JESTER, where the people in the testing set do not exist during training. We evaluate the generalizability of a model through editing an unseen person with a specific gesture. The results are summarized in Table 1. pix2pix [2], which only treats single frame translation, performs the worst. Both vid2vid [4] and E3D-LSTM [5] result in a significant performance drop under the zero-shot setting (*e.g.*, vid2vid drops from 82.0 GA to 73.8 and E3D-LSTM ups from 1.55 VAD to 1.79). In contrast, with the multi-level fusion (MLF) over different levels of video-and-language reasoning, our M³L still maintains the lowest 1.51 VAD and the highest 86.0 GA, even encountering an unseen person.

	E-JESTER (Full)		E-JESTER (Zero-shot)	
	VAD ↓	GA ↑	VAD ↓	GA ↑
pix2pix [2]	2.00	8.6	2.42	8.7
vid2vid [4]	1.62	82.0	1.84	73.8
E3D-LSTM [5]	1.55	83.6	1.79	78.4
M ³ L (Ours)	1.44	89.3	1.51	86.0

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B. Human Evaluation of Baselines

We conduct a human evaluation with 30 E-JESTER examples over all baselines. Table 2 shows the mean ranking score (from 1 to 4, the higher is better) under different aspects. In general, videos produced by our M³L have higher quality. Furthermore, the proposed MLF makes the editing result more related to the guided text.

	pix2pix	vid2vid	E3D-LSTM	M^3L
Video Quality	2.07	2.47	2.50	2.97
Video-Instruction Alignment Similarity to GT Video	1.67 1.60	2.27 2.40	2.37 2.63	3.67 3.37

Table 2. Human evaluation (mean ranking score from 1 to 4, the higher is better) on E-JESTER.

C. Ablation of MLF/Discriminator

Table 3 illustrates the ablation study of multi-level fusion (MLF), including local-level (LF) and global-level fusion (GF), and dual discriminator (Dual-D) on E-CLEVR. Comparing row (b) and (c) with (a), LF contains better local perception (higher OA) between object properties and word tokens, and GF benefits the global motion (lower VAD and higher mIoU). Row (d) further shows that combining LF and GF as MLF can help both. In the end (row (e)), Dual-D enhances the video quality, leading to a comprehensive improvement.

	LF	GF	Dual-D	VAD ↓	OA ↑	mIoU ↑
(a)	Х	Х	Х	2.19	82.4	70.5
(b)	1	Х	X	2.25	83.4	71.7
(c)	X	/	×	2.04	83.1	74.6
(d)	1	/	X	2.02	83.6	75.3
(e)	/	/	✓	1.96	84.5	78.4

Table 3. Ablation study of MLF/Discriminator on E-CLEVR.

D. Multi-Modal Baseline

We consider GeNeVA [1], iterative-base LBIE, as the multi-modal baseline. For each turn, we feed in the instruction and generate a frame based on previous results and the encoded source video from LSTM. Then we compose all iterative frames as the editing video. Table 4 shows the evaluation on E-CLVER. GeNeVA has better OA and MIoU than E3D-LSTM by the self-attention module over the visual-and-linguistic feature. Upon cross-modal attention, M³L further considers multi-level fusion (MLF), leading to the best results on all metrics.

Method	VAD ↓	OA ↑	mIoU ↑
E3D-LSTM	2.11	83.1	72.2
GeNeVA??	2.13	83.3	<u>74.5</u>
M^3L	1.96	84.5	78.4

Table 4. The testing results of GeNeVA on E-CLEVR.

E. Limitation and Social Impact

Our M³L framework treats source/target videos as fully-supervised training, which may fail for out-domain scenes and instructions. We can exploit pretrained visual-linguistic alignment (e.g., CLIP [3]) to boost the editing result weakly-supervisedly. Besides, there may be an authenticity doubt for those edited videos. To mitigate this issue, we train a binary video classifier, which achieves 93% real/fake accuracy on E-JESTER. It shows that such video forensics can help video authentication of the potential negative impact.

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