M^3L: Language-based Video Editing via Multi-Modal Multi-Level Transformer

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- People can **edit directly using language** and improve accessibility

*"a **fire** is on **front** feet of **girl**"*

*"move it to the **lower right**"*

Language-based Video Editing (LBVE)

- Edit a **source video *S*** into the **target video *O***, guided by **an instruction *X***
  - **Scenario of *S*** is preserved, instead of completely different
  - **Semantic of *O*** is presented differently, **controlled by *X***

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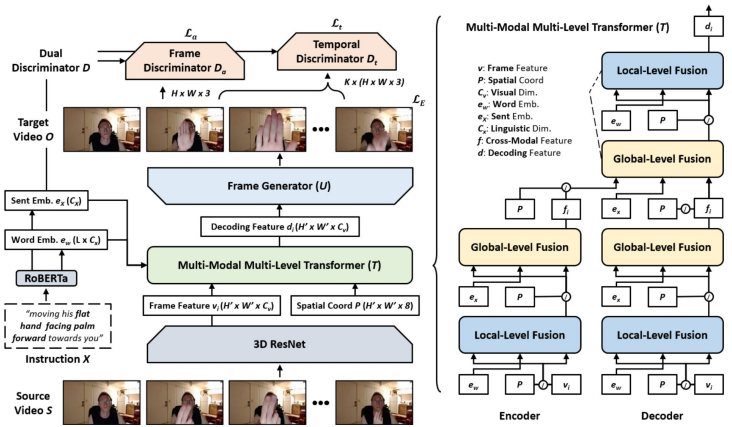

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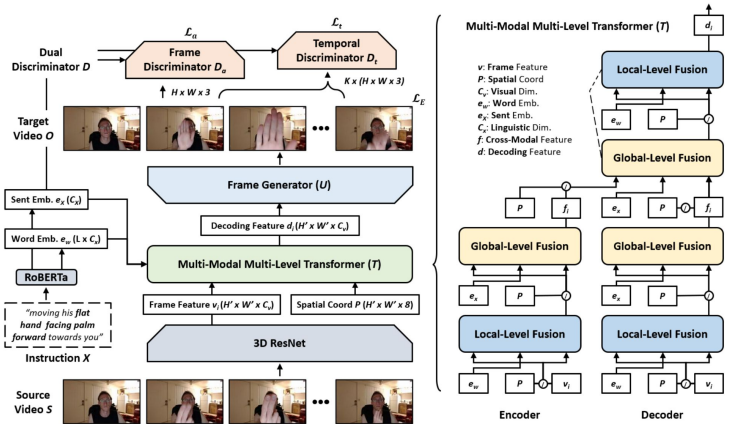

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  - **Encoder**: $f_i^s=GF(LF(v^s, e_w), e_X)_i$
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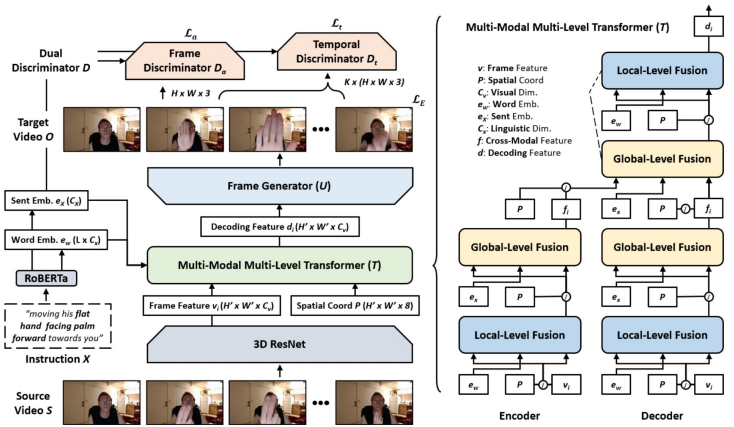

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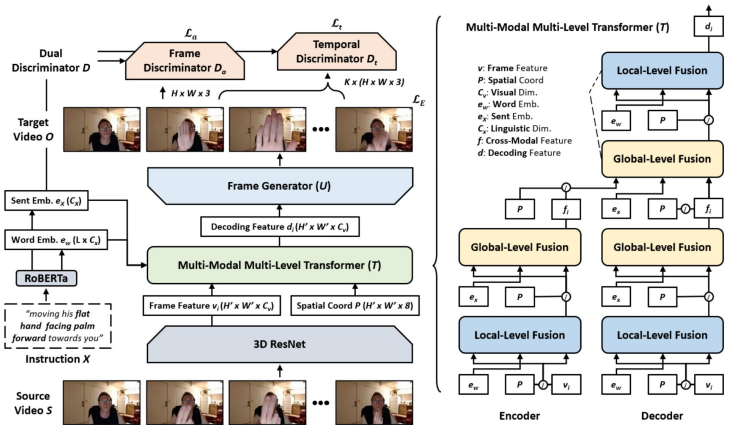
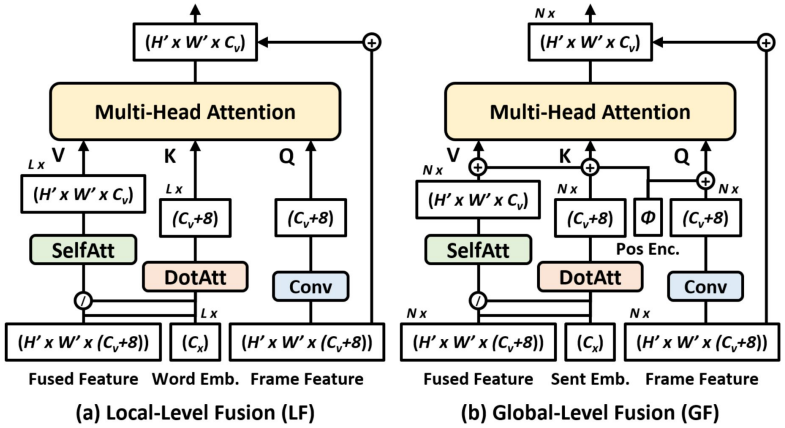
- **Frame Generation:** $o_i = U(d_i)$

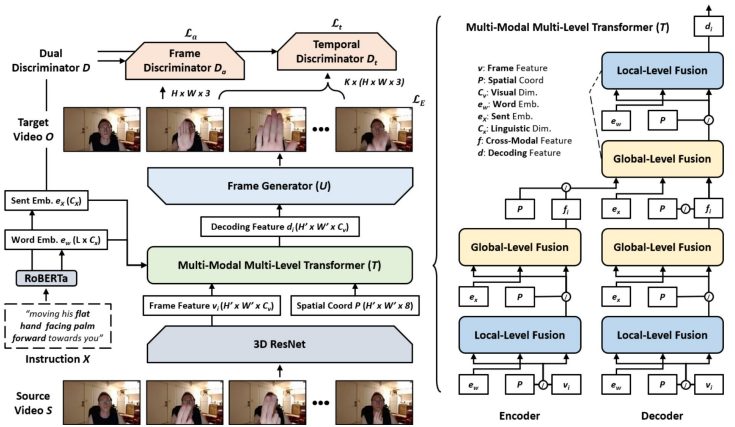


Multi-Level Fusion

- Both video and language are **multi-level conveyed**

- Follow **multi-head attention** (**MHA**)
  - **Local-level Fusion (LF)**: single frame ↔ word token
  - **Global-level Fusion (GF)**: video sequence ↔ whole instruction

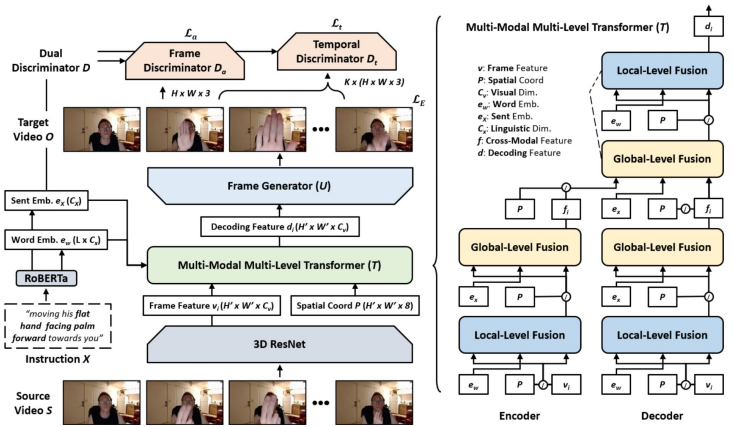




Learning of M^{3}L

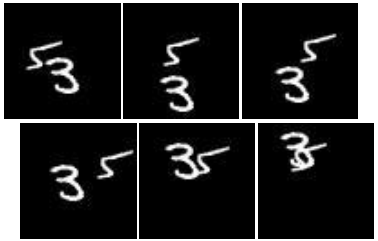
- **Editing Loss L_E**: MSE(o_i, o_i')
- **Dual Discriminator (*D*)**
  - **Frame Quality**: log(1-$D_a(o_i')$)
  - **Temporal Consistency**: log(1-$D_t(\{o_i', ..., o'_{i+K}\})$)

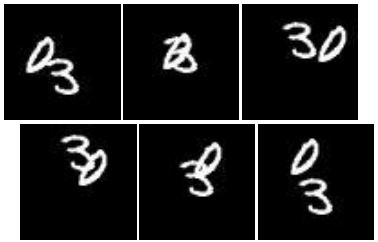
Initialize T, U, D
while TRAINING **do**
  $\{v_1, ..., v_N\}$ = 3D ResNet(S)
  $e_X, \{e_{w_1}, ..., e_{w_N}\}$ = RoBERTa(X)
  for $i \leftarrow 1$ to N **do** ▷ teacher-forcing training
    $d_i \leftarrow T(\{o_1, ..., o_{i-1}\}|v, \{e_X, e_w\})$ ▷ Eq. 7
    $\hat{o}_i \leftarrow U(d_i)$
    $\mathcal{L}_E \leftarrow$ visual difference loss with O ▷ Eq. 9
    $\mathcal{L}_G \leftarrow$ video quality loss from D ▷ Eq. 10
    Update T and U by minimizing $\mathcal{L}_G$+$\mathcal{L}_E$
    $\mathcal{L}_D \leftarrow$ discrimination loss for D ▷ Eq. 11
    Update D by maximizing $\mathcal{L}_D$
  end for
end while



Dataset

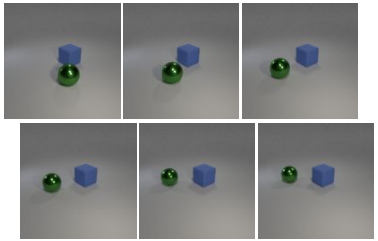
M-MNIST

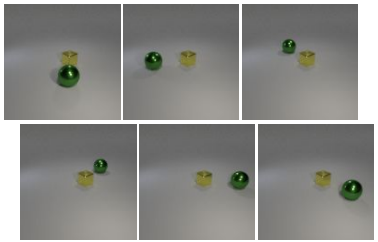




*"change the **direction from lower left to upper right** and the **number from 5 to 0**"*

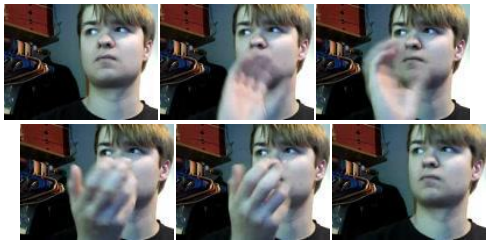
M-CLEVR





*"move to the **right front** and change the **large blue rubber into the small yellow metal**"*

E-JESTER



*"makes a **cup gesture** and **turns his hand in a circle**"*

Experiments

- Collected Dataset

Dataset	# Train / Test	# Frame	# Word	Resolution
M-MNIST	11,070 / 738	354,240	16.0	64x64
M-CLEVR	10,133 / 729	217,240	13.4	128x128
E-JESTER	14,022 / 885	59,508	9.9	100x176

Experiments

- Collected Dataset

- Baselines: **concatenate linguistic feature with visual feature** for LBVE
  - **pix2pix**: **frame-by-frame** video translation
  - **vid2vid**: **video-to-video** synthesis with temporal discriminator
  - **E3D-LSTM**: CNN-LSTM for **video prediction**

pix2pix: [CVPR'17] *Image-to-Image Translation with Conditional Adversarial Networks*
vid2vid: [NeurIPS'18] *Video-to-Video Synthesis*
E3D-LSTM: [ICLR'19] *Eidetic 3D LSTM: A Model for Video Prediction and Beyond*

Experiments

- Collected Dataset
- Baselines
- Evaluation Metrics
  - **VAD**: **video feature distance** with ground-truth *O*
  - **OA**: **object accuracy** in generated *O'*
  - **mIoU**: **mean intersection over union** between *O* and *O'*
  - **GA**: **gesture accuracy** of generated E-JESTER *O'*

Experiments

- Quantitative Results
  - pix2pix: **insufficient video temporal**
  - vid2vid & E3D-LSTM: **lack of explicit cross-modal modeling**
  - M^3L: incorporate **multi-level fusion** to achieve the best performance

Method	M-MNIST			M-CLEVR			E-JESTER	
	VAD ↓	OA ↑	mIoU ↑	VAD ↓	OA ↑	mIoU ↑	VAD ↓	GA ↑
pix2pix	3.05	87.7	64.1	2.84	80.4	60.5	2.00	8.6
vid2vid	2.30	87.5	77.9	2.21	80.5	69.3	1.62	82.0
E3D-LSTM	2.10	90.4	81.3	2.11	83.1	72.2	1.55	83.6
M^3L	**1.90**	**93.2**	**84.7**	**1.96**	**84.5**	**78.4**	**1.44**	**89.3**

Experiments

- Ablation Study
  - **Instruction is necessary** for controllable video editing
  - **Multi-level Fusion (MLF) further benefits** cross-model modeling

Ablation Settings		E-JESTER	
Instruction	MLF	VAD ↓	GA ↑
✘	✘	1.99	4.7
✔	✘	<u>1.50</u>	<u>85.4</u>
✔	✔	**1.44**	**89.3**

Experiments

- Ablation Study

- Zero-shot Generalization: **blue square** + **red circle** → **blue circle**
  - Filter $^{10}/_{40}$ **number-direction** combinations for M-MNIST
  - Filter $^{12}/_{96}$ **size-color-material-shape** combinations for M-CLEVR
  - **MLF helps generalization** even **training with zero-shot** examples

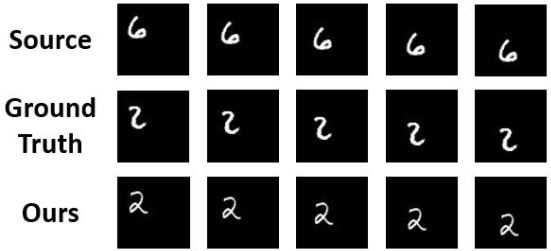
Ablation	M-MNIST			M-CLEVR		
MLF	VAD ↓	OA ↑	mIoU ↑	VAD ↓	OA ↑	mIoU ↑
✘	2.64	82.6	73.6	2.32	70.1	66.6
✔	**2.35**	**87.5**	**79.1**	**2.29**	**76.7**	**71.5**

Experiments

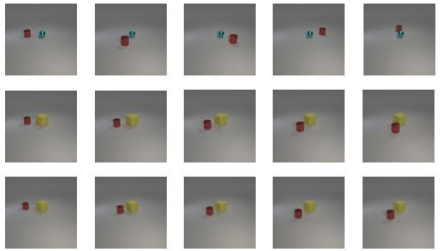
- Ablation Study
- Zero-shot Generalization
- Human Evaluation

	w/ MLF	w/o MLF	Tie
Video Quality	**67.1%**	27.1%	5.8%
Video-Instruction Align.	**53.3%**	35.1%	11.6%
Simil. to GT Video	**59.6%**	28.9%	11.6%

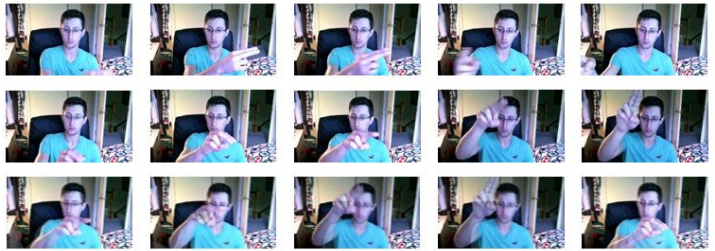
Qualitative Examples



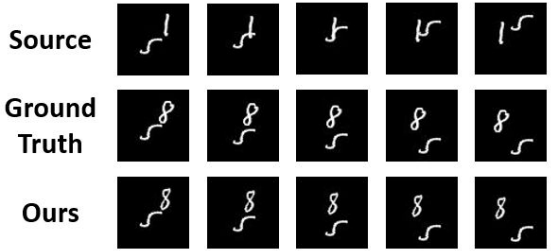
*"change the **number to 2**"*



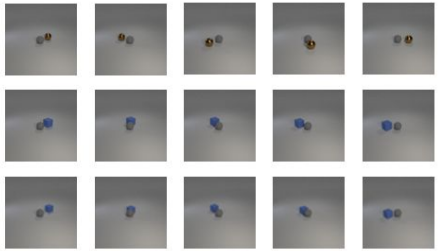
*"move to the **front** and change the small cyan metal sphere into the **large yellow rubber cube**"*



*"uses **two fingers** to **raise a line** with his **right hand**"*



*"change the **direction from upper right to lower right** and the **number from 1 to 8**"*



*"change the brown metal sphere into the **blue rubber cube** and move it to the **left**"*

*"motions her **right hand** from **left to right** while **showing two fingers**"*

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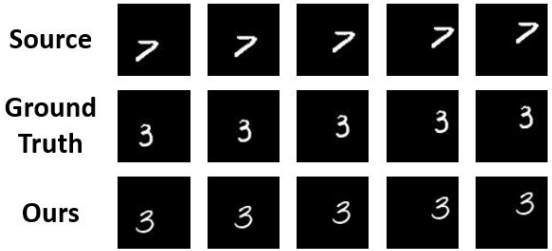
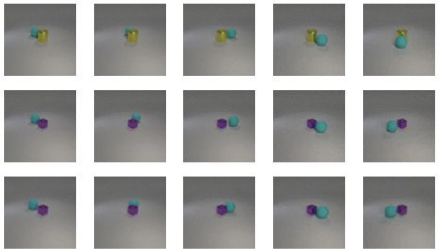
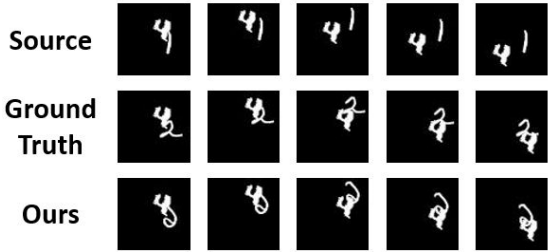


*"change the **number to 3**"*

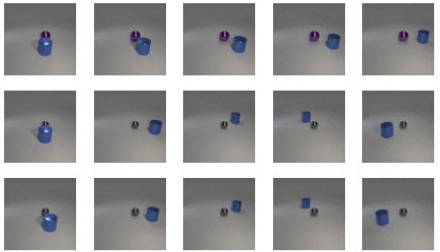


*"move to the **left front** and change the large yellow cylinder into the **small purple cube**"*

*"**rotates** and **swipes** her **right hand from left to right**"*



"change the **number from 1 to 2** and the **direction from upper left to upper right**"



"move to the **left front** and change the large purple into the **small gray**"

"**raising** and **opening the index and thumb fingers**"