



A Hitchhiker's Guide to Fine-Grained Face Forgery Detection Using Common Sense Reasoning

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- VLLMs hold promise for both detecting deepfakes and explaining decisions through natural language







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Research Question 1

To what extent can existing VLLMs detect deepfake images and what rationale supports the decision?

Research Question 2

How do we fairly and comprehensively evaluate VLLMs in the fine-grained task?





Motivation for Common Sense Reasoning in Deepfake Detection

Main Contributions:

- Transform deepfake detection into a VQA multi-label problem, enhancing explainability.
- Systematic assessment for SoTA VLLMs, promoting transparency and reproducibility.
- Comprehensive analysis of model capabilities and limitations to inform future research.





Proposed Multi-Stage Benchmark

We transform the discriminative deepfake detection task into a VQA problem.



Stage 1: Binary task.

 $\mathbf{X}_t =$ "Is this image $[s_i]$? a) Yes b) No"

where $\mathbf{s}_i \in \mathcal{S}$ is a set of standard terms used to describe deepfakes in English.





Proposed Multi-Stage Benchmark



Stage 2: Multiple-choice setting for the fine-grained task.

 $\mathbf{X}_t =$ "Of the areas in the list $[\mathbf{cls}_0, \dots, \mathbf{cls}_{|\mathcal{C}|}]$

which ones are $[s_i]$?"

where $\mathbf{cls}_i \in \mathcal{C}$ is the class name of the *i*-th class from the set of target classes \mathcal{C} .





Proposed Multi-Stage Benchmark



Stage 3: Open-ended VQA for the fine-grained task.

 $\mathbf{X}_t =$ "What area of this image is $[\mathbf{s}_i]$?"





Deepfake Detection to VQA

VLLMs generate **natural language** that needs to be **transformed** for **classification** evaluation.

Matching strategy depends on the task.

- ▶ Exact Match (EM): The generated sentence is exactly equal to the class name.
- Contains: The class name is contained in the response.
- CLIP distance: Sigmoid over the cosine similarity of the prediction embeddings and class name embeddings.



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Fine-Grained Face Forgery Detection Using Common Sense Reasoning

VLLMs Tested

Selected Models:

- LlaVa-1.5
- BLIP2
- InstructBLIP with Flan-T5 and Flan-T5-xxl
- Ensemble of models

Baseline: CLIP **Upper Bound:** GPT-4V^a

Datasets

- ► FF++
- DFDC
- Celeb-DF
- WildDeepFake
- StyleGAN StyleGAN2, StyleGAN3
- SeqDeepFake attributes, components
- R-splicer

^aon a subset of each dataset





Binary Detection

- Exact Match (EM) for the binary task.
- Several synonyms to test model robustness to instruction:

manipulated, deepfake, synthetic, altered, fabricated, face forgery, falsified



Figure: *EM* Performance of VLLMs in terms of F1-score for the top 3 synonyms



Figure: *EM* Performance of VLLMs on nine benchmarks



Fine-Grained VQA



Figure: Assessment of model performance in multiple-choice settings with *contains* matching.

Multiple-choice:

- Models often mention all label names, increasing False Positives.
- Responses like "All of them" or "None of them" further complicate matching, impacting F1 scores.





Fine-Grained VQA

Table: Model performance on open-ended VQA using a) *contains* and b) *CLIP* matching

	BLIP-2			Ins	tructBL	.IP	InstructBLIP-xxl			LlaVa-1.5		
	mAP	AUC	F1	mAP	AUC	F1	mAP	AUC	F1	mAP	AUC	F1
SeqDF attr.	61.8	51.0	20.4	61.3	50.4	18.3	63.1	53.6	37.5	61.7	51.1	40.0
SeqDF comp.	59.5	50.5	14.7	59.2	50.0	4.1	60.2	51.8	26.2	59.0	49.6	17.1
R-Splicer	55.8	55.6	31.3	52.3	53.2	23.5	53.8	54.0	31.1	58.7	57.5	41.6

(a) contains matching

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	mAP	AUC	F1	mAP	AUC	F1	mAP	AUC	F1	mAP	AUC	F1
SeqDF attr.	63.0	53.6	73.5	59.9	50.9	74.0	60.4	50.7	55.5	61.0	51.3	74.1
SeqDF comp.	58.8	52.7	71.0	55.5	49.0	71.7	59.9	55.7	59.8	56.1	49.6	71.7
R-Splicer	54.3	55.3	66.2	48.5	49.3	66.5	54.0	53.1	60.3	56.7	57.4	66.5

(b) CLIP distance



Open-ended VQA:

- CLIP distance matching improves recall and F1-score but slightly lowers mAP.
- May offer more reliable results for class-specific detection, reflected in F1-scores.





Qualitative Evaluation

Qualitative evaluation

The aim of the study is to understand how well the generated responses reflect the ground truth i.e. how well each model can spot the manipulated areas.

The possible manipulation areas are: entire face (faceswap), mouth, nose, eyes, systems: Each model is instructed to "Explain briefly what areas of this image are manipulated?".

See the image, the correct asswer and the predicted asswers. Select the acces that heat reflects to<u>ax closely, the predicted seawers</u> capture the same information set the correct assessment. This means that the stopenents should be semantically similar but do not need to match the class name executiv.

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4. mostly right
5. completely right

The entire evaluation should take 30-60 mins.

(a) Annotator Briefing



The eyes of the man in the hat

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(b) Annotation Form

Figure: Briefing(a) and Annotation Form(b) shown to human evaluators.

Table: Open-ended qualitative evaluation with human annotators in Tab. a and BertScore in Tab. b-d

Model	Human Eval. Score	Model	Precision	Recall	F1
BLIP-2	0.35	BLIP-2	79.77	78.75	79.24
InstructBLIP	0.36	InstructBLIP	86.53	83.22	84.81
InstructBLIP-xxl	0.33	InstructBLIP-xxl	80.73	81.78	81.25
LlaVa-1.5	0.38	LlaVa-1.5	84.86	85.31	85.08

(a) Human Evaluation

(b) SeqDF attr.

Model	Precision	Recall	F1	Model	Precision	Recall	F1
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InstructBLIP	81.12	83.89	86.90	InstructBLIP	83.47	85.34	87.39
InstructBLIP-xxl	82.57	81.77	81.01	InstructBLIP-xxl	82.53	81.87	81.23
LlaVa-1.5	87.40	86.37	85.39	LlaVa-1.5	85.94	86.33	86.74

(c) SeqDF comp.

(d) R-splicer

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- **Limitations:** Current datasets lack fine-grained labels and detailed descriptions.
- **Future Directions:** Specialised datasets and task-specific models.





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