Α Additional Details of SelfEval

In this section, we provide a detailed algorithm and systematic figure of SELFEVAL in Algorithm 1 and Figure 1 respectively. SELFEVAL iteratively denoises an image, similar to the reverse process of diffusion models, but instead estimates the likelihood of an image-text pair.



Figure 1: Illustration of proposed method: (Left) Starting from a noised input, the standard diffusion sampling method denoises the input iteratively to generate images from the input distribution. (Middle): SelfEval takes an image x_0 and conditioning c pairs to estimate the likelihood $p(x_0|c)$ of the pair in an iterative fashion. (Right): Given an image, x_0 and n captions, $\{c_0, c_1, \ldots, c_n\}$, SelfEval is a principled way to convert generative models into discriminative models. In this work, we show that the classification performance of these classifiers can be used to evaluate the generative capabilities.

Algorithm 1 Algorithm for estimating $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{c})$ using SELFEVAL

- 1: Input: Diffusion model $p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\mathbf{x}_t)$; Input image \mathbf{x}_0 ; Forward latents: $\{\mathbf{x}_{1:T}\}$; Reverse latents: $\{\hat{x}_{1:T}\}$; Number of trials: N
- 2: **for** i=1:N **do**
- Sample noise $\sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbb{I})$ 3:
- $\mathbf{x}_{1:T} = q_{\text{sample}}(\mathbf{x}_0, t = 1: T, \text{noise} = \text{noise}); \mathbf{x}_t \in \mathbb{R}^D$ 4:
- 5:conditionals \leftarrow []

7:
$$p(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_t, \mathbf{c}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^D |\mathbf{\Sigma}_{\theta}|}} e^{-0.5(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_t, t, \mathbf{c}))^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_t, t, \mathbf{c}))}$$

8: conditionals = [conditionals ;
$$p(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_t, \mathbf{c})]$$

end for 9:

9: end for
10: Compute
$$p(\mathbf{x}_T) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^D}} e^{\frac{-1}{2\beta_T^2} \|\mathbf{x}_T\|^2}$$

Compute likelihood $p_i(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{c}) = p(\mathbf{x}_T) \prod_{t=1}^T p(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_t, \mathbf{c})$ 11:

13: $p(\mathbf{c}|\mathbf{x}_0) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathbf{c})}{|\mathcal{C}|}$

B Details of Human evaluation

Human evaluations are the de-facto standard for judging the performance of text-to-image models. we adopt a conventional A/B testing approach, wherein raters are presented with generations from two models and are asked to vote for one of four choices: "both" the generations are faithful, "none" of them are faithful, or if only one of the two models ("model 1" or "model 2") demonstrates fidelity to the given prompt. We show the template provided to the raters in Figure 2. The template includes three examples that advice the raters on how to rate a given sample followed by a text prompt and two images. The four possible choices are shown on the right in Figure 3. The images used as instructions for the human raters are shown in Figure 3. Figure 3 shows three pairs of images with the text prompt below them. The first example shows two images that are faithful to the input prompt but the quality of one (left) image superior to the other (right). Since, we ask the raters to evaluate the text faithfulness, we recommend picking the "both" option for such samples. The second image shows an example where only one of the images is faithful to the text. The raters are instructed to pick the option corresponding to the right image in this case. The final example shows two images that are not faithful to the text prompt. The raters are adviced to pick the "none" option in this scenario.

C Ablation Experiments

 Table 1: Effect of timesteps on the
 Table 3: Effect of the choice of

 performance of SELFEVAL on the six Table 2: Effect of N on the perfor-seed on the performance of SELFE
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Т	Attribute	Color	Count	Shape	Spatial	Text Corruption	Ν	Attribute	Color	Count	Shape	Spatial	Text Corruption	s	Attribute	Color	Count	Shape	Spatial	Text Corruption
50 100 250	54.2 54.3 53	32.2 34 32.3	26.3 25.8 27.4	34.9 30.2 35	33.0 38.0 32.7	25 24.3 21.7	$ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 5 \\ 10 \\ 15 \end{array} $	53.0 54.3 54.3 53.4	26.0 31.7 34.0 36.3	27.2 25.7 25.8 28.0	35.2 34.9 32.5 36.3	31.2 33.0 38.6 32.8	20.7 22.1 24.3 22.8	1 2 3 std	54.3 53.0 54.3 0.5	34.0 26.0 31.70 0.5	25.8 27.2 25.7 0.9	32.5 35.2 34.9 1.4	38.6 31.2 33.0 1.5	24.3 20.7 22.1 0.8

In this section we analyze the effect of various components that affect the performance of SELFEVAL on the six splits introduced in the main paper. We use the LDM-T5 model for all our experiments.

Effect of T: SELFEVAL has a time complexity of $\mathcal{O}(NT)$ and Table 1 shows the the effect of timesteps on the performance of SELFEVAL. We observe that SELFEVAL achieves the best result at different timesteps for different datasets. We notice that the performance drops as we increase the timesteps from 100 to 250 in most cases. As the number of timesteps increases, we believe that the fraction of them responsible for text faithfulness decrease, resulting in a drop in performance. We find T = 100 to be a good tradeoff for performance and speed and is used for all the experiments on the six data splits.

Effect of N: Table 2 shows the results of the effect of number of trials N on the performance of SELFEVAL. We observe that N = 10 works best across all the six splits and is the default choice for N.

Effect of seeds: SELFEVAL corrupts an input image using standard gaussian noise in each trial and we analyze the effect of the seed on the performance of SELFEVAL in Table 3. We observe that the performance is stable across all the six splits with a standard deviation within 1 percentage point in most of the cases. We report the seed number instead of the actual value for brevity and use the seed 1 as the default choice for all the experiments.

D Additional experiments on Winoground

In this section we ablate a few design decisions on the Winoground dataset. We use the LDM-T5 model for all the experiments.

Effect of T: We show the effect of the number of timesteps on the performance of SELFEVAL on the Winoground dataset in Table 4. From Table 4, we observe that SELFEVAL achieves the best



Figure 2: Template for Human raters. The template consists of instructions explaining the nature of the task (top) followed by a text prompt with two generations (bottom). Humans are expected to pick one of four options (shown on the right): "both" the generations are faithful, "none" of them are faithful, or if only one of the two images ("Image 1" or "Image 2") demonstrates fidelity to the text prompt.

Table 4: Effect of timesteps on Table 5: Effect of the # of trials Table 6: Effect of the choice ofthe performance of SELFEVAL on on the performance of SELFEVAL on seed on the performance of SELFEVALthe Winoground datasetthe Winoground datasetthe Winoground dataset

Т	Image Score	Text Score	Ν	Image Score	Text Score	\mathbf{S}	Image Score	Text Score
20	11.50	30.75	1	17.00	26.25	1	13.50	29.00
50	13.50	29.00	5	14.75	26.00	2	13.00	27.00
100	12.25	25.25	10	13.50	29.00	3	12.00	28.50
250	11.25	27.75	20	11.25	24.75		$12.83 \pm\ 0.76$	28.17 ± 1.04

result for image and text score at different time steps. Image score is a harder task compared to Text score Thrush et al. (2022) and hence SELFEVAL needs more timesteps to perform better on Image score. As the number of timesteps increase, we observe a drop in both Image and Text scores. Studies Li et al. (2023b) show that the earlier timesteps generate low frequency information (responsible for text



Figure 3: Instructions for Human raters. We provide three examples describing all the possible scenarios. The first example shows two images that are faithful to the text but with varying image qualities. To prevent the raters from conflating image quality with text faithfulness, we recommend the raters to pick "both" for such examples. The second example illustrates a case where only one of the image is faithful to the text. In this case, the raters are adviced to pick the option corresponding to the right image ("Image 1" in this case). The final example shows a case where both the examples are not faithful to the text (there is no border collie), in which case, we advice the raters to pick "none".

fidelity), while latter ones are responsible for high frequency appearance details. By increasing the number of timesteps, the fraction of timesteps contributing to improving the faithfulness to text (and thereby image and text scores) decreases, resulting in a drop in performance. All other experiments on Winoground use T=50 unless otherwise specified.

Effect of N: We show the effect of the number of trials (N) in Table 5. With fewer trials, the estimates are not reliable and larger trials make it computationally expensive. We observe that we attain a good tradeoff for performance and speed with N = 10.

Effect of the seed: We show the effect of seed on the performance of SELFEVAL in Table 6. We just report the seed number for brevity. We observe that both the scores are relatively stable across different values of seed. We fix seed #1 for all the experiments in this work.

E Converting COCO image-caption pairs for ITM

We use image-caption pairs from COCO for the tasks of Color, Count and Spatial relationships. We use the question answering data collected by authors of TIFA Hu et al. (2023) to construct data for our tasks. We pick only samples constructed from COCO. Given question answering samples from TIFA, we identify the corresponding image-caption pair from COCO and replace the correct answer in the caption with the multiple choices to form samples for the task of Image-Text Matching.

F Limitations

SelfEval relies on the sampling of the generative model to compute the scores. So the limitations of the sampling process of a generative model affect SelfEval. To be precise, for a model with T diffusion time steps and a classification task with C classes, SELFEVAL samples N noise signals. This results in an overall complexity of the order $\mathcal{O}(NCT)$ for computing probabilities using SELFEVAL. The complexity increases linearly with the number of classes C making it difficult to scale to thousands of classes (like ImageNet Deng et al. (2009)). However, several optimizations like randomly picking a starting timestep to denoise (instead of all T diffusion timesteps) and efficient classification tricks Li et al. (2023a) can be employed to improve the time complexity of SELFEVAL. Additionally, unlike other black-box evaluation methods, which only require the generations from the model, SELFEVAL requires the model definition and its checkpoints for evaluation making it impossible to evaluate closed-source generative models without model definition and checkpoint.

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