

# 000 MoGIC: BOOSTING MOTION GENERATION VIA 001 FUTURE-AWARE BEHAVIOR UNDERSTANDING AND 002 VISUAL CONTEXT 003

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## ABSTRACT

013 Existing text-driven motion generation methods primarily focus on bidirectional  
014 mapping between language and motion, yet they often struggle to capture the high-  
015 level semantic structures and future behavior patterns that govern how actions un-  
016 fold. Moreover, the absence of visual conditioning limits synthesis accuracy, as  
017 language alone cannot specify fine-grained spatiotemporal trajectories or environ-  
018 mental context. We present MoGIC, a unified multimodal framework that jointly  
019 models future-aware behavior understanding and multimodal-conditioned motion  
020 generation. MoGIC formulates future-behavior predicting as inferring high-level  
021 future semantic patterns from partial observations, while leveraging visual priors  
022 to resolve ambiguities inherent in text-only conditioning. We further introduce a  
023 mixture-of-attention mechanism with adaptive scope to facilitate effective inter-  
024 actions between multimodal tokens and temporal motion segments, thereby mit-  
025 igating the impact of non-strict timing alignment. To support this paradigm, we  
026 curate Mo440H, a 440-hour tri-modal benchmark aggregated from 21 high-quality  
027 motion datasets. Extensive experiments demonstrate substantial improvements in  
028 generation fidelity and multimodal versatility of MoGIC: (1) a 36% reduction in  
029 FID on HumanML3D and Mo440H; (2) superior captioning performance com-  
030 pared to LLM-based methods using only a lightweight text head; (3) capabili-  
031 ties in future-aware behavior prediction and vision-conditioned motion synthesis.  
032 Together, these results advance the state of the art in motion understanding and  
033 multi-conditioned generation.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

034 Human motion generation has emerged as a central research direction in artificial intelligence, with  
035 wide applications in animation, virtual reality, and embodied agents. Recent advances in generative  
036 modeling have enabled text-conditioned methods to synthesize increasingly realistic motions from  
037 natural language descriptions. Despite this progress, current systems remain far from capturing the  
038 full complexity, and semantic structure of human motion.

039 Most existing methods Guo et al. (2024); Meng et al. (2025) focus on learning direct correspon-  
040 dences between language and motion without explicitly modeling motion understanding, whereas  
041 recent GPT-based approaches Jiang et al. (2023a); Wu et al. (2025a); Luo et al. (2024); Jiang et al.  
042 (2024) extend this paradigm by treating discretized motion as a second language, thereby enabling  
043 bidirectional generation between motion and text. However, such bidirectional modeling reduces the  
044 motion-language association to a cross-modal mapping and remains limited in capturing the seman-  
045 tic structures and behavior patterns that govern how actions will unfold over time. Consequently,  
046 despite leveraging large-scale linguistic priors, these models remain less effective than specialized  
047 motion generation frameworks. Intuitively, a model should not only understand how actions are  
048 performed. At a higher semantic level, a model should also learn the structural dependency between  
049 early motion and logically consistent future behaviors.

050 Another critical limitation lies in the absence of visual modality, which leads to motions that lack  
051 precision and personalization. Language alone is inherently ambiguous and cannot fully specify  
052 fine-grained spatiotemporal trajectories or environmental context; even when such content are ex-

054 plicitly described, their symbolic form does not readily translate into precise generation signals. For  
 055 instance, the instruction “a person walks forward, turns left, then picks up an apple” leaves unspec-  
 056 ified the walking distance, turning angle, and spatial location of the apple, forcing the model to  
 057 sample from a highly uncertain distribution and often producing unsatisfactory results. By contrast,  
 058 visual inputs naturally provide joint trajectories and environmental context, such as human-scene  
 059 or human-object interactions. Without such visual grounding, models fail to exploit these priors,  
 060 resulting in less accurate motions and restricting their applicability to text conditioned generation.

061 We introduce MoGIC, a unified framework that integrates multi-conditioned generation with future-  
 062 aware behavior understanding. The key insight is that early motion segments contain latent cues  
 063 about how actions are likely to unfold, and that such cues must be captured through structured  
 064 semantic modeling rather than direct language-motion mapping. Accordingly, MoGIC employs a  
 065 disentangled design in which high-level behavior semantics and low-level motion trajectories are  
 066 handled by separate generation heads. The understanding head predicts the discrete behavior de-  
 067 scription of a complete sequence given partial observations, while the motion head synthesizes con-  
 068 tinuous motion sequences under multimodal conditions. This division of roles enables the model to  
 069 jointly optimize future-aware behavior understanding and motion synthesis without conflating sym-  
 070 bolic semantics with continuous kinematics. This design yields substantial improvements in motion  
 071 quality, achieving a 35.2% reduction in FID compared to training without predicting behavior se-  
 072 mantics in MoGIC.

073 To further address the ambiguity of purely textual conditioning, we incorporate visual modality as  
 074 an additional condition. Unlike pose estimation methods that reconstruct dense trajectories, we use  
 075 low-frame-rate image sequences as weak but informative priors. These visual conditions introduce  
 076 auxiliary perceptual priors into the training process, thereby enhancing the quality of representa-  
 077 tion learning and yielding consistent improvements across downstream tasks. Furthermore, vision  
 078 provides conditions that alleviate the inherent ambiguity of language, enabling the generation of mo-  
 079 tions that are more precise and controllable. Moreover, the integration of vision unlocks the model’s  
 080 capacity to handle a wider range of tasks beyond text-only conditioning, such as vision-conditioned  
 081 motion completion or generating diverse motions from sparse video frame.

082 Our video inputs (sampled at 1 fps) are not temporally aligned with motion sequences (30 fps). In-  
 083 stead of enforcing rigid frame-to-frame correspondence, we leverage them as priors for trajectory  
 084 and scene context. Similarly, text only partially aligns with motion, as some phrases correspond  
 085 to specific fragments. To handle such partial correspondences, we introduce a mixture-of-attention  
 086 mechanism with adaptive scope, enabling motion tokens to interact with the most relevant condi-  
 087 tional tokens across granularities. This strengthens local-global alignment and mitigates confusion  
 088 from temporal mismatches or ambiguous conditions.

089 We adopt a two-stage training strategy. In the first stage, MoGIC learns cross-modal consistency  
 090 by jointly optimizing multimodal-conditioned motion generation loss and future-aware behavior  
 091 understanding loss, enabling robust generalization across different input types. In the second stage,  
 092 we finetune MoGIC on task-specific objectives such as language-to-motion generation, effectively  
 093 transferring visual priors and behavior understanding capabilities to downstream tasks.

094 To enable tri-modal learning, we curate and automatically annotate 21 high-quality motion datasets  
 095 into a large-scale benchmark, Mo440H, which spans 440 hours of single-person motions, human-  
 096 human interactions, and human-object interactions. Extensive experiments on HumanML3D and  
 097 Mo440H demonstrate the versatility of MoGIC as a unified motion generation framework capable  
 098 of handling multiple conditioning modalities and tasks. On the language-to-motion task, MoGIC  
 099 achieves significant improvements, reducing FID by 38.6% and 34.6% respectively. On motion  
 100 captioning (with fine-tuning) and future-aware behavior understanding (without fine-tuning), its  
 101 lightweight text-generation heads outperform LLM-based baselines despite using far fewer par-  
 102 ameters. Furthermore, incorporating the visual modality not only enhances controllability and gen-  
 103 eration fidelity, but also enables new capabilities such as image-to-motion synthesis and vision-  
 104 conditioned motion completion.

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## 2 RELATED WORK

110 **Motion Generation** Recent work on text-conditioned motion generation has primarily relied  
 111 on probabilistic generative models, including GANs Harvey et al. (2020); Ghosh et al. (2021),  
 112 VAEs Petrovich et al. (2022), and diffusion methods Du et al. (2023); Chen et al. (2023); Shafir  
 113 et al. (2024); Tevet et al. (2023); Zhang et al. (2023c;b; 2024b); Xie et al. (2024); Zhou et al. (2024);  
 114 Meng et al. (2025), which generate realistic motion by sampling and refining noise. In parallel,  
 115 discrete-token approaches Du et al. (2023); Zhong et al. (2023); Zhang et al. (2023a); Pinyoanun-  
 116 tapong et al. (2024a); Shi et al. (2025); Wang et al. (2025); Jeong et al. (2025) use vector-quantized  
 117 autoencoders to construct a motion vocabulary, with transformers modeling token sequences either  
 118 autoregressively or through masked denoising.

119 More recent studies have begun to explore the use of large language models to capture the rich  
 120 temporal and semantic structure of human motion Jiang et al. (2023a); Luo et al. (2024); Liang  
 121 et al. (2024a); Wang et al. (2024); Wu et al. (2025b). By treating motion as a discretized foreign  
 122 language, these methods learn bidirectional mappings between text-to-motion (T2M) and motion-  
 123 to-text (M2T). However, such mappings remain at the level of superficial pattern matching, and the  
 124 potential of bidirectional alignment to improve motion generation has not been fully explored. In  
 125 this paper, we advance motion generation by enabling the model to infer the underlying causes of  
 126 motion.

127 More modalities have also been explored as conditions. For instance, Chen et al. (2025) unify audio  
 128 and text representations of 3D human motions using LLMs, while MotionAnything Zhang et al.  
 129 (2025) combines text and music to generate more controllable dance motions. Such modalities pro-  
 130 vide complementary information, yet the crucial role of visual inputs in motion generation remains  
 131 underexplored. In this paper, we incorporate visual modality to reduce the ambiguity of text-only  
 132 descriptions and extend the model’s applicability to a wider range of downstream tasks.

133 **Motion Dataset** In recent years, numerous motion datasets have emerged to capture diverse  
 134 human activities. AMASS Mahmood et al. (2019) provides high-quality 3D mocap data, fur-  
 135 ther extended by BABEL Punnakkal et al. (2021) with segment-level categorical labels and Hu-  
 136 manML3D Guo et al. (2022) with sequence-level textual descriptions. Beyond these, many  
 137 datasets Mehta et al. (2017); Fieraru et al. (2021); Cai et al. (2022); Xiong et al. (2024); Liu et al.  
 138 (2022); Tripathi et al. (2023) capture a broad spectrum of movements ranging from daily actions to  
 139 gestures and yoga. EgoBody Zhang et al. (2022) and InterGen Liang et al. (2024b) focus on two-  
 140 person interactions, while others Lv et al. (2025); Zhao et al. (2024); Li et al. (2023); Jiang et al.  
 141 (2023b); Taheri et al. (2020) emphasize human–object interactions. Collaborative and scene-aware  
 142 scenarios are also addressed by datasets such as CORE4D Liu et al. (2024b), Humanise Wang et al.  
 143 (2022), PROX Hassan et al. (2019), and HOI-M3 Zhang et al. (2024a).

144 Recent works Lin et al. (2023); Lu et al. (2025); Fan et al. (2025) extract motions from online videos  
 145 via pose estimation. However, this approach results in lower fidelity and exhibits content bias. For  
 146 instance, MotionMillion Fan et al. (2025) contains more than 70% sports-related activities such as  
 147 martial arts, fitness, and dance. In this paper, we integrate and re-annotate over twenty high-quality  
 148 motion datasets, achieving large-scale coverage while avoiding the quality issues and content bias  
 149 of video-derived data.

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## 3 MODEL ARCHITECTURE

154 We propose MoGIC, a unified framework for future-aware behavior understanding and human mo-  
 155 tion generation conditioned on multimodal inputs, including language, vision, and partially visible  
 156 motion sequences. As shown in Figure 1, each modality is first projected into the latent space via  
 157 modality-specific encoders, with random masking applied to motion tokens for generative masked  
 158 modeling. A Conditional Masked Transformer (CMT) then integrates the projected conditioning  
 159 signals at both global-level and fine-grained conditions to modulate the masked motion tokens. The  
 160 resulting motion tokens serve as a unified representation that generates both high-level behavior  
 161 descriptions and complete motion latent sequences, which are subsequently reconstructed into the  
 original motion domain through a motion decoder.

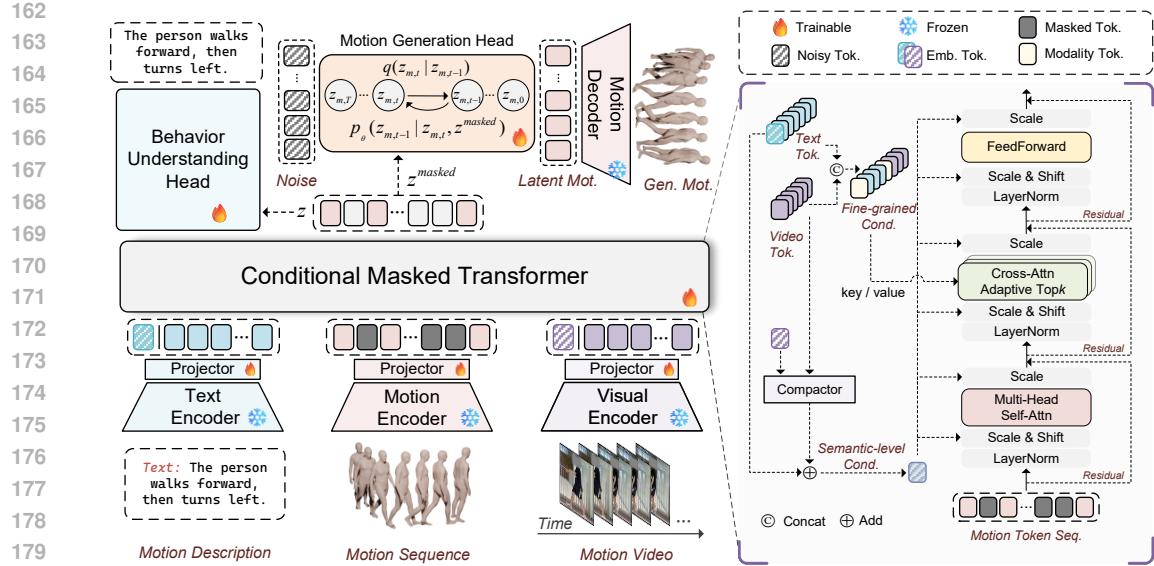


Figure 1: Overview of MoGIC. The framework consists of modality-specific encoders, a Conditional Masked Transformer (CMT), a Motion Generation Head (MGH), and a Behavior Understanding Head (BUH). Language, vision, and motion inputs are first processed by their respective encoders to produce latent tokens. Motion tokens are randomly masked and passed through the CMT, where global-level and fine-grained conditions modulate the motion token in series. The resulting conditional tokens  $z$  are used in two branches: (i) the masked motion tokens are reconstructed via the MGH, which denoises them into clean motion latent tokens and decodes them into motion sequences; (ii)  $z$  serves as key and query signals for the SPH to predict the behavior description.

### 3.1 MODALITY-SPECIFIC ENCODER

**Motion/Language/Vision Encoder** Given a motion sequence  $\mathbf{x}_m \in \mathbb{R}^{l_m \times c_m}$  with  $l_m$  frames and  $c_m$  feature dimensions, we adopt a temporal convolutional auto-encoder to project motion into a compact latent space  $\mathbf{z}_m = f_m(\mathbf{x}_m) \in \mathbb{R}^{l'_m \times d_m}$ , where  $l'_m \leq l_m$  and  $d_m$  is the motion embedding dimension. A symmetric decoder reconstructs the motion as  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_m = g_m(\mathbf{z}_m)$ , and the auto-encoder is trained with a smooth L1 reconstruction loss  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{rec}} = \text{SmoothL1}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_m, \mathbf{x}_m)$ . For text, a frozen CLIP encoder outputs token-level embeddings  $\mathbf{z}_t = f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) \in \mathbb{R}^{l_t \times d_t}$ , where the [CLS] token  $\mathbf{z}_t^g$  captures global semantics. For vision, video frames sampled at 1 fps are encoded as  $\mathbf{z}_v^p = f_v(\mathbf{x}_v^p) \in \mathbb{R}^{d_v}$ , and aggregated into a global representation by attention layer  $\mathbf{z}_v^g = \text{attn}(\mathbf{q}_v, \mathbf{z}_v, \mathbf{z}_v)$  with a learnable query vector  $\mathbf{q}_v$ .

### 3.2 CONDITIONAL MASKED TRANSFORMER

The Conditional Masked Transformer integrates multimodal conditioning signals into motion tokens through two operations: (i) **global-level modulation**, which injects fused text–vision context into the motion representation via adaptive normalization to ensure pattern consistency, and (ii) mixture-of-attention with adaptive scope, realized through the adaptive Top- $k$  cross-attention mechanism that dynamically aligns motion tokens with the most relevant text–vision snippets while adaptively determining the scope of attended context. At each layer of the CMT, motion tokens first pass through a self-attention module, then receive fine-grained conditions via the adaptive Top- $k$  cross-attention, and finally go through a feed-forward network to produce the output representation.

**Global-level Modulation** We adopt adaptive LayerNorm modulation. The global multimodal context vector  $\mathbf{c}^g = \mathbf{z}_t^g + \mathbf{z}_v^g$  is mapped to modulation coefficients  $(\alpha_c, \beta_c, \gamma_c) = W_{\text{ada}}(\mathbf{c}^g) \in \mathbb{R}^{d_m}$  via a lightweight MLP. Given a normalized motion token  $\bar{\mathbf{z}}_m = \text{LN}(\mathbf{z}_m)$ , modulation and gated residual connection are applied as

$$\mathbf{z}_m \leftarrow \mathbf{z}_m + \gamma_c \odot h(\alpha_c \odot \bar{\mathbf{z}}_m + \beta_c) \quad (1)$$

216 where  $h(\cdot)$  denotes the corresponding sub-layer transformation (self-attention, cross-attention, and  
 217 feed-forward layer in CMT). This formulation ensures that global multimodal context consistently  
 218 modulates motion representation while flexibly controlling residual pathways.  
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220 **Mixture-of-Attention with Adaptive Scope** To enable fine-grained dynamic alignment between  
 221 motion tokens and multimodal conditioning signals, we employ the mixture-of-attention mechanism  
 222 that operates on concatenated token-level condition embeddings  $\mathbf{c}^{tok} = [\mathbf{z}_v; \mathbf{z}_t] \in \mathbb{R}^{(p+l) \times d}$ . When  
 223 a modality is missing, its slot in  $\mathbf{c}^{tok}$  is replaced by a learnable embedding. Given query motion  
 224 tokens  $\mathbf{z}_m \in \mathbb{R}^{l_m \times d}$ , each expert computes queries, keys, and values as  $\mathbf{q}^e = W_q^e \mathbf{z}_m$ ,  $\mathbf{k}^e = W_k^e \mathbf{c}^{tok}$ ,  
 225 and  $\mathbf{v}^e = W_v^e \mathbf{c}^{tok}$ , followed by attention to produce the score matrix  $\mathbf{A}^e$ . To control the effective  
 226 context scope, we sort  $\mathbf{A}^e$  in descending order per query and accumulate until a cumulative mass  $\tau$   
 227 is reached:

$$k_{\text{dyn}}^e = \min \left( \max \left( \arg \min_k \sum_{j=1}^k \mathbf{A}_{(j)}^e \geq \tau, k_{\min}^e \right), k_{\max}^e \right) \quad (2)$$

230 where  $\mathbf{A}_{(j)}^e$  denotes the  $j^{\text{th}}$  largest weight. The final attention distribution is restricted to the top- $k_{\text{dyn}}^e$   
 231 entries. The final output is the sum of all expert contributions

$$z = \sum_{e=1}^E \tilde{\mathbf{A}}^e \mathbf{v}^e, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{i,j}^e = \frac{\mathbf{A}_{i,j}^e \cdot \mathbf{1}_{j \in \text{top-}k_{\text{dyn}}^e(i)}}{\sum_{j' \in \text{Top-}k_{\text{dyn}}^e(i)} \mathbf{A}_{i,j'}^e} \quad (3)$$

232 where  $\text{top-}k_{\text{dyn}}^e(i)$  denotes the set of indices of the attention weights for the  $i^{\text{th}}$  motion token. This  
 233 adaptive mixture-of-attention design ensures that motion tokens selectively attend to the most relative  
 234 condition tokens, while maintaining flexibility to balance pattern consistency and fine-grained  
 235 alignment across diverse contexts.  
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### 240 3.3 DISENTANGLE GENERATION HEAD 241

242 Behavior understanding and motion represent two fundamentally different data formats, with the  
 243 former being linguistically oriented and motion encoding continuous dynamics. To capture this  
 244 distinction, we adopt disentangled generation heads that separately model the two modalities  
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246 **Behavior Understanding Head (BUH)** The Behavior Understanding Head (BUH) aims to capture  
 247 the complete behavior pattern from the partial observation in textual form. It employs a T5-  
 248 style Raffel et al. (2020) decoder that, conditioned on the embedding  $\mathbf{z}$  from the conditional masked  
 249 transformer, generates the behavior description in an autoregressive manner. Each decoder layer  
 250 combines self-attention over the partially generated sequence with cross-attention conditioned on  $\mathbf{z}$   
 251

252 **Motion Generation Head (MGH)** Since motions are continuous, we employ a continuous-time  
 253 interpolant model in the Motion Generation Head (MGH) following SiT Ma et al. (2024), conditioned  
 254 on the masked embedding  $\mathbf{z}^{\text{mask}}$ . The interpolant at time  $t \in [0, 1]$  is defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z}_{m,t} &= \alpha_t \mathbf{z}_{m,0} + \sigma_t \epsilon, \quad \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I) \\ \mathbf{v}_\theta(\mathbf{z}_{m,t}, t, \mathbf{z}^{\text{mask}}) &\approx \dot{\alpha}_t \mathbf{z}_{m,0} + \dot{\sigma}_t \epsilon \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

255 where  $\mathbf{z}_{m,0}$  is the latent motion of ground truth and  $\mathbf{v}_\theta$  predicts the velocity field under conditioning.  
 256 For sampling, given  $\mathbf{z}^{\text{mask}}$ , we integrate the learned velocity field backward in time using either the  
 257 probability flow ODE or reverse-time SDE:

$$\mathbf{z}_{m,0} = \text{Solver}(\mathbf{z}_{m,T}, \mathbf{v}_\theta, \mathbf{z}^{\text{mask}}), \quad \mathbf{z}_{m,T} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I). \quad (5)$$

258 The denoised latent representation  $\mathbf{z}_{m,0}$  is subsequently provided to the motion decoder to recon-  
 259 struct the full motion sequence  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_m$ .  
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## 265 4 CROSS-MODAL GENERATIVE TRAINING 266

267 We train MoGIC on five tasks: (1) language-to-motion (L2M), which generates motion from tex-  
 268 tual descriptions; (2) vision-language-to-motion (VL2M), which integrates visual and textual in-  
 269 puts to produce more controllable motion; (3) vision-to-motion (V2M), which synthesizes motion

270 Table 1: The quantitative results of L2M on HumanML3D. The best results are displayed in bold.  
 271 Noting that the metric values of some methods are adopted from MARDM (Meng et al., 2025).

Methods	R Precision↑			FID↓	Matching↓	CLIP-score ↑
	Top 1	Top 2	Top 3			
T2M-GPT (Zhang et al., 2023a)	0.470 $\pm$ .003	0.659 $\pm$ .002	0.758 $\pm$ .002	0.335 $\pm$ .003	3.505 $\pm$ .017	0.607 $\pm$ .005
ReMoDiffuse (Zhang et al., 2023b)	0.468 $\pm$ .003	0.653 $\pm$ .003	0.754 $\pm$ .005	0.883 $\pm$ .021	3.414 $\pm$ .020	0.621 $\pm$ .003
MDM-50Step (Tevet et al., 2023)	0.440 $\pm$ .007	0.636 $\pm$ .006	0.742 $\pm$ .004	0.518 $\pm$ .032	3.640 $\pm$ .028	0.578 $\pm$ .003
MLD (Chen et al., 2023)	0.461 $\pm$ .004	0.651 $\pm$ .004	0.750 $\pm$ .003	0.431 $\pm$ .014	3.445 $\pm$ .019	0.610 $\pm$ .003
MMM (Pinyoanuntapong et al., 2024b)	0.487 $\pm$ .003	0.683 $\pm$ .002	0.782 $\pm$ .001	0.132 $\pm$ .004	3.359 $\pm$ .009	0.635 $\pm$ .003
MoMask (Guo et al., 2024)	0.469 $\pm$ .004	0.687 $\pm$ .003	0.786 $\pm$ .003	0.116 $\pm$ .006	3.353 $\pm$ .010	0.637 $\pm$ .003
MotionDiffuse (Zhang et al., 2024b)	0.450 $\pm$ .006	0.641 $\pm$ .005	0.753 $\pm$ .005	0.778 $\pm$ .005	3.490 $\pm$ .023	0.606 $\pm$ .004
MARDM-DDPM (Meng et al., 2025)	0.492 $\pm$ .006	0.690 $\pm$ .005	0.790 $\pm$ .005	0.116 $\pm$ .004	3.349 $\pm$ .010	0.637 $\pm$ .005
MARDM-SIT (Meng et al., 2025)	0.500 $\pm$ .004	0.695 $\pm$ .003	0.795 $\pm$ .003	0.114 $\pm$ .007	3.270 $\pm$ .009	0.642 $\pm$ .002
MotionAgent Wu et al. (2025b)	0.485 $\pm$ .003	0.680 $\pm$ .003	0.780 $\pm$ .002	0.202 $\pm$ .009	3.327 $\pm$ .009	0.634 $\pm$ .003
MoGIC (ours) w/o <i>Und. loss</i>	0.533 $\pm$ .012	0.731 $\pm$ .010	0.826 $\pm$ .010	0.108 $\pm$ .023	3.078 $\pm$ .037	0.658 $\pm$ .001
MoGIC (ours)	<b>0.545<math>\pm</math>.003</b>	<b>0.741<math>\pm</math>.003</b>	<b>0.835<math>\pm</math>.002</b>	<b>0.070<math>\pm</math>.004</b>	<b>2.999<math>\pm</math>.011</b>	<b>0.669<math>\pm</math>.001</b>

284 Table 2: The quantitative results of L2M on Mo440H-ML. The best results are displayed in bold.  
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Methods	R Precision↑			FID↓	Matching↓	Diversity↑
	Top 1	Top 2	Top 3			
MotionDiffuse (Zhang et al., 2024b)	0.550 $\pm$ .001	0.735 $\pm$ .001	0.801 $\pm$ .002	0.957 $\pm$ .010	2.990 $\pm$ .007	12.009 $\pm$ .104
MMM (Pinyoanuntapong et al., 2024b)	0.601 $\pm$ .001	0.798 $\pm$ .001	0.887 $\pm$ .001	0.237 $\pm$ .004	2.420 $\pm$ .004	11.883 $\pm$ .089
MoMask (Guo et al., 2024)	0.610 $\pm$ .001	0.801 $\pm$ .002	0.886 $\pm$ .001	0.205 $\pm$ .006	2.353 $\pm$ .003	11.963 $\pm$ .077
MARDM-DDPM Meng et al. (2025)	0.573 $\pm$ .001	0.785 $\pm$ .002	0.885 $\pm$ .002	0.431 $\pm$ .004	2.166 $\pm$ .005	<b>12.630<math>\pm</math>.079</b>
MARDM-SIT Meng et al. (2025)	0.613 $\pm$ .001	0.820 $\pm$ .002	0.906 $\pm$ .001	0.231 $\pm$ .003	2.420 $\pm$ .005	12.112 $\pm$ .079
MG-MotionLLM Wu et al. (2025a)	0.556 $\pm$ .002	0.737 $\pm$ .002	0.834 $\pm$ .002	0.624 $\pm$ .008	2.544 $\pm$ .006	12.252 $\pm$ .099
MoGIC (ours) <i>only L2M loss</i>	0.637 $\pm$ .001	0.836 $\pm$ .001	0.908 $\pm$ .002	0.201 $\pm$ .001	2.003 $\pm$ .007	12.392 $\pm$ .084
MoGIC (ours) <i>L2M + Und. loss</i>	<b>0.652<math>\pm</math>.001</b>	<b>0.851<math>\pm</math>.001</b>	<b>0.926<math>\pm</math>.001</b>	0.134 $\pm$ .001	<b>1.889<math>\pm</math>.005</b>	12.434 $\pm$ .087
MoGIC (ours) <i>L2M + Caption loss</i>	0.646 $\pm$ .001	0.845 $\pm$ .001	0.919 $\pm$ .001	0.198 $\pm$ .001	1.910 $\pm$ .005	12.623 $\pm$ .090
MoGIC (ours)	0.643 $\pm$ .001	0.844 $\pm$ .002	0.917 $\pm$ .002	0.185 $\pm$ .002	1.915 $\pm$ .004	12.516 $\pm$ .077
MoGIC (ours) <i>w/ L2M FT</i>	0.651 $\pm$ .001	0.849 $\pm$ .001	0.924 $\pm$ .002	<b>0.123<math>\pm</math>.001</b>	1.903 $\pm$ .006	12.511 $\pm$ .091

298 purely from visual sequences; (4) motion-to-motion (M2M), which reconstructs complete motion  
 299 from partially observed sequences; and (5) future-aware behavior understanding, which infers high-  
 300 level motivational factors behind motion. All tasks share a Conditional Masked Transformer with  
 301 modality-specific conditioning. Motion sequences are encoded into latent tokens  $z_m \in \mathbb{R}^{l_m' \times d_m}$ ,  
 302 where a subset is randomly masked with learnable tokens for generative reconstruction, and for  
 303 future-aware behavior understanding, the latter 50% of tokens are additionally truncated. The fused  
 304 masked sequence and modalities yield a motion embedding  $z$ , which conditions both the SPH and  
 305 MGH for behavior understanding and motion generation. Training is driven by a joint loss com-  
 306 bining a diffusion-based velocity matching objective for motion and an autoregressive cross-entropy  
 307 for description:

$$\mathcal{L} = \lambda_{\text{motion}} \mathbb{E}_{t, \epsilon} \left[ \left\| \mathbf{v}_\theta(z_{m,t}, t, \mathbf{z}) - (\dot{\alpha}_t z_{m,0} + \dot{\sigma}_t \epsilon) \right\|_2^2 \right] + \lambda_{\text{und}} \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})} \left[ - \sum_{i=1}^T \log P(y_i | y_{<i}, \mathbf{z}) \right] \quad (6)$$

311 This unified training framework enables the model to learn a shared latent space where motion  
 312 generation and behavior understanding are jointly optimized. The decoupled generation paradigm  
 313 guides the model to capture the underlying motivational factors of motion, while mitigating the  
 314 semantic entanglement between discrete text and continuous motion representations.

## 316 5 EXPERIMENTS

### 318 5.1 INTEGRATED MOTION DATASET

320 **Motion Dataset** We curated and processed 21 high-quality motion datasets covering diverse sce-  
 321 narios such as single-person activities, human-human interactions, and human-object interactions.  
 322 All motions were standardized to a 22-joint format, resampled to 30 fps, and capped at 10 sec-  
 323 onds. For datasets without textual annotations but with visual modalities, we used Qwen2.5-VL-  
 324 Max Bai et al. (2025) to generate captions and manually filtered inadequate samples; for those

lacking RGB videos, rendered mesh sequences were adopted instead, with all videos downsampled to 1 fps. The final collection, termed Mo440H, comprises about 440 hours of motion (about 50M frames), 210k textual descriptions, and 140k image sequences. Depending on available modalities, we further organize it into three subsets: Mo440H-All (the whole dataset, for auto-encoder training and cross-modal generative training), Mo440H-ML (motion-language pairs, for language-to-motion and motion-to-language), and Mo440H-MLV (motion-language-vision triplets, enabling visually conditioned tasks).

In addition, we evaluate on the HumanML3D Guo et al. (2022) dataset, a widely used benchmark with about 14k motion sequences and 45k text annotations, following established protocols Meng et al. (2025) for fair comparison with previous work.

**Motion Representation** We adopt a compact motion representation by removing redundant features (e.g., 6D rotations), following Meng et al. (2025), to mitigate distribution mismatch and generation errors. The motion data is represented as  $\mathbf{x}_m^i = [\dot{r}^a, \dot{r}^{xz}, \dot{r}^h, j^p]$  at time step  $i$ , consisting of root angular velocity  $\dot{r}^a$ , root linear velocities  $\dot{r}^{xz}$  in the XZ-plane, root height  $\dot{r}^h$ , and local joint positions  $j^p \in \mathbb{R}^{3(N_j-1)}$ , which jointly encode the essential kinematic information for motion.

## 5.2 EXPERIMENT SETTINGS AND EVALUATION METRICS

**Experiment Settings** All experiments are conducted on RTX4090 GPUs with a batch size of 64 using the Adam optimizer ( $\text{lr}=2\text{e-}4$ , 2000-step warm-up), training for 500 epochs on HumanML3D and 10M iterations on Hu440H ( $\approx 40$  GB GPU memory). The motion generation loss is optimized every epoch, while the future-aware behavior understanding loss is updated every 4 epochs. The Conditional Masked Transformer (384 channels) uses 1 layer for HumanML3D and 2 layers for Hu440H dataset. Cross-attention employs two parallel modules ( $k \in [1, 6]$ , threshold 0.8; and  $k \in [0, \infty]$ , threshold 1). The semantic prediction head is a 3-layer T5-style decoder, and the motion head is a diffusion model with a 10-layer MLP (1280 channels).

## 5.3 DOWNSTREAM APPLICATIONS

Following cross-modal generative training, MoGIC supports arbitrary multimodal inputs (language, vision, motion) to produce unified outputs in motion sequences and text descriptions. Further finetuning on specific tasks enhances performance in specialized settings. We evaluate on HumanML3D Guo et al. (2022) and our integrated dataset Mo440H. For HumanML3D, we adopt evaluators from prior work Meng et al. (2025). For the integrated dataset, we train an evaluator on Mo440H following the previous methods Guo et al. (2022).

**Motion Generation and Caption** We evaluate language-to-motion generation both with and without fine-tuning, as well as motion captioning after finetuning. Experiments are conducted on HumanML3D and Mo440H-ML.

For motion generation on HumanML3D, we adopt a single-stage training strategy, jointly optimizing the motion generation loss and the future-aware behavior understanding loss, achieving substantial improvements over state-of-the-art methods in terms of FID and R-Precision (Tables 1). Results on Mo440H are shown in Tables 2, where MoGIC denotes the model

Table 3: Comparisons of motion in-between tasks on Mo440H-ML. Each setting reports R-precision top 3 (R@3), FID, and Matching score (Match).

Task Method	w/o language			w/ language		
	R@3↑	FID↓	Match↓	R@3↑	FID↓	Match↓
pref.	MARDM	0.874	0.286	2.808	0.912	0.194
	MoGIC	0.892	0.173	2.172	0.943	0.128
suff.	MARDM	0.894	0.239	2.334	0.912	0.188
	MoGIC	0.912	0.140	1.938	0.941	0.091
inf.	MARDM	0.907	0.211	2.249	0.913	0.186
	MoGIC	0.926	0.124	1.789	0.943	0.113
circ.	MARDM	0.896	0.249	2.358	0.913	0.175
	MoGIC	0.912	0.147	1.979	0.943	0.109

Table 4: Text generation metrics on the test set.

	BLEU@1↑	BLEU@4↑	ROUGE↑	BERTScore↑
H3D	TM2T	48.90	8.27	38.1
	MotionGPT	48.20	12.47	37.4
	MotionChain	48.10	<b>12.56</b>	33.9
	MotionGPT3	51.06	8.43	38.7
	MG-MotionLLM	—	8.06	32.0
	MoGIC (ours)	<b>53.13</b>	10.36	<b>40.6</b>
Mo440H	T2MT	28.99	15.37	36.22
	MG-MotionLLM	35.47	17.97	39.07
	MoGIC (ours)	<b>42.52</b>	<b>20.32</b>	<b>39.31</b>

378 trained solely through cross-modal generative learning, and MoGIC *w/ FT* represents the variant fur-  
 379 ther fine-tuned on the language-to-motion task. We also present the results without computing the  
 380 generation loss conditioned on the visual modality (denoted as MoGIC *T2M + Und. loss* in the  
 381 Table 2). As shown, language-based motion generation achieves better results, but its functionality  
 382 remains limited. All evaluations are conducted using our retrained evaluator on the Mo440H dataset,  
 383 following the same protocol as previous work Guo et al. (2022).

384 In addition, Table 4 reports results for fine-tuning on motion caption task. During fine-tuning, we  
 385 feed the entire motion sequence as input and generate textual descriptions. Compared with LLM-  
 386 based methods, the Semantic Prediction Head (SPH) in MoGIC is highly lightweight and does not  
 387 rely on pre-trained language models, yet it still delivers competitive and effective performance.  
 388

389 **Motion In-Between** We evaluate our method on the motion in-between task, which generates  
 390 plausible transitions from partial motion contexts. We consider prefix, suffix, infix, and circumfix  
 391 completion, predicting missing segments at the beginning, end, middle, or both ends of a motion se-  
 392 quence. Experiments on HumanML3D and Mo440H, compared with MARDM Meng et al. (2025),  
 393 are reported under two settings: (i) in-between with language, using both textual descriptions and  
 394 visible motion fragments, and (ii) in-between without language, using only motion fragments. With-  
 395 out task-specific fine-tuning, our method consistently outperforms baselines, as shown in Table 3.  
 396

397 **Future-aware Behavior Understanding** The future-aware behavior understanding task requires  
 398 the model to infer the underlying semantic structure and behavioral patterns in text format. Given  
 399 the first 50% of a motion sequence, the model outputs a complete language description that conveys  
 400 the underlying behavior patterns. Meanwhile, MoGIC can also generate a future motion sequence  
 401 aligned with this description. We train two baselines separately for future-aware behavior under-  
 402 standing Wu et al. (2025a) and future motion generation Meng et al. (2025). Without fine-tuning,  
 403 our model surpasses both, achieving higher quality in understanding and lower FID for the syn-  
 404 chronously generated motion continuation, as shown in Figure 2.  
 405

406 **Vision-Augmented Tasks** We further extend our framework to vision-augmented scenarios,  
 407 where image sequences serve as additional conditions for motion generation. We focus on two  
 408 representative tasks: (i) vision-language-to-motion, where textual descriptions and visual frames  
 409 jointly guide motion synthesis, and (ii) vision-based motion in-between, where visual cues comple-  
 410 ment partial motion fragments to complete missing segments. These tasks provide a natural and  
 411 accessible source of conditioning signals that enrich the controllability of generated motions. As  
 412 shown in Figure 3, when generating a weightlifting motion conditioned only on the text prompt “lift  
 413 weight by extending legs and back, raising arms”, the description neither specifies the exact position  
 414 of the barbell nor provides the model with a prior about the abstract concept of weight. As a result,  
 415 the model produces an unrealistic sequence in which the barbell is lifted overhead, which is clearly  
 416 inconsistent with real-world biomechanics. By incorporating visual modality, however, the model  
 417 gains explicit information about the barbell’s position relative to the body, allowing it to generate  
 418 natural lifting motions that adhere to realistic constraints.  
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#### 5.4 ABLATION STUDY

420 **Effectiveness of Future-aware Behavior Understanding**  
 421 Ablation results on HumanML3D (MoGIC *w/o Und. loss* in Table 1) and Mo440H (MoGIC *only T2M loss* in Table 2)  
 422 show that removing future-aware behavior understanding task consistently lowers performance, with the largest drops  
 423 in FID ( $-35.2\%$  on HumanML3D,  $-33.3\%$  on Mo440H) and retrieval precision ( $-0.9\%$  on HumanML3D,  $-1.8\%$   
 424 on Mo440H). We further replace the understanding loss  
 425 with a captioning loss, training the model to generate de-  
 426 scriptions from complete motion sequences (MoGIC *L2M*  
 427 + *Caption loss*). Caption supervision improves motion  
 428 quality, but the gains are notably smaller than those from  
 429 future-aware behavior understanding. This underscores that learning the semantic structures and  
 430 understanding how motion will unfold is crucial for producing high-quality motion. Without it, the  
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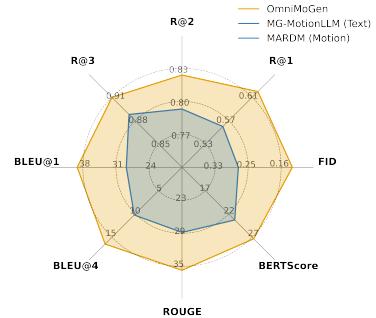


Figure 2: Comparisons of future-aware behavior understanding results.

432 Table 5: The effectiveness of the vision modality. We evaluate MoGIC on the motion generation  
 433 and in-between tasks conditioning on different conditions without finetuning.  $L$ ,  $V$ ,  $M$  represent  
 434 language, vision, and motion, respectively.

436 Category	437 Task	R Precision $\uparrow$			FID $\downarrow$	Matching $\downarrow$	Diversity $\uparrow$
		438 Top 1	439 Top 2	440 Top 3			
438 Motion Gen.	$L2M$	$0.590 \pm 0.002$	$0.804 \pm 0.001$	$0.897 \pm 0.002$	$0.330 \pm 0.003$	$1.913 \pm 0.007$	$12.757 \pm 0.075$
	$V2M$	$0.408 \pm 0.002$	$0.639 \pm 0.003$	$0.789 \pm 0.003$	$0.634 \pm 0.010$	$2.881 \pm 0.012$	$12.662 \pm 0.108$
	$LV2M$	$0.589 \pm 0.001$	$0.801 \pm 0.001$	$0.898 \pm 0.002$	$0.266 \pm 0.002$	$1.953 \pm 0.007$	$12.585 \pm 0.067$
441 Motion In-Bet.	prefix	$0.498 \pm 0.002$	$0.720 \pm 0.002$	$0.830 \pm 0.001$	$0.436 \pm 0.004$	$2.373 \pm 0.006$	$12.469 \pm 0.052$
	prefix w/ $L$	$0.624 \pm 0.001$	$0.833 \pm 0.001$	$0.918 \pm 0.001$	$0.137 \pm 0.001$	$1.707 \pm 0.003$	$12.487 \pm 0.041$
	prefix w/ $V$	$0.553 \pm 0.001$	$0.766 \pm 0.001$	$0.868 \pm 0.001$	$0.205 \pm 0.001$	$2.021 \pm 0.004$	$12.639 \pm 0.058$
	prefix w/ $L+V$	$0.619 \pm 0.001$	$0.830 \pm 0.001$	$0.914 \pm 0.001$	$0.132 \pm 0.001$	$1.701 \pm 0.004$	$12.662 \pm 0.065$

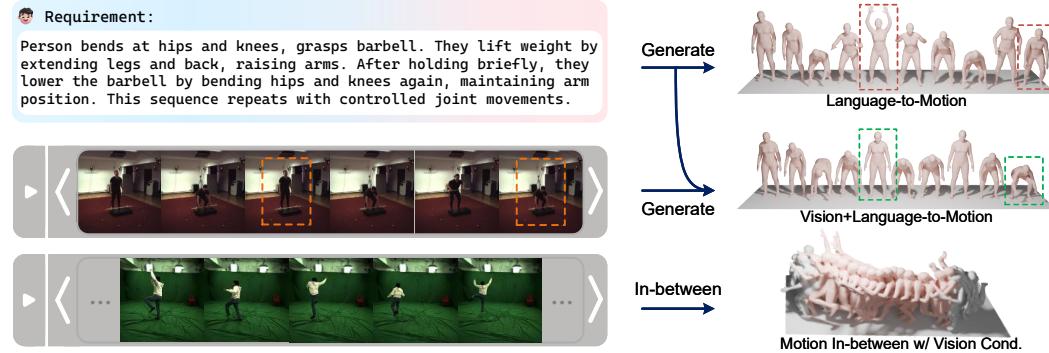


Figure 3: Visualization of motion generation and motion in-between tasks with vision modality.

461 model relies on shallow correlations, failing to capture the causal structure and latent goals of human  
 462 motion. Consequently, generated motions lose realism.

### Effectiveness of Training with Vision

463 **Modality** We assess the contribution of  
 464 vision from two complementary angles.  
 465 (i) *Vision as priors*. We drop vision-  
 466 to-motion and vision-language-to-motion  
 467 losses in the cross-modal generative training  
 468 (MoGIC  $L2M$  + *Und.* loss in Ta-  
 469 ble 2). Compared to MoGIC w/  $L2M$   
 470 *FT* which is finetuned on language-to-  
 471 motion and future-aware behavior un-  
 472 derstanding losses after the complete cross-  
 473 modal generative training, training with-  
 474 out vision modality leads to degraded  
 475 language-to-motion performance, indi-  
 476 cating that the visual modality enables the  
 477 model to learn richer contextual represen-  
 478 tations and implicitly guides the align-  
 479 ment between generated motions and their  
 480 conditioning inputs. (ii) *Vision as a con-  
 481 ditioning modality*. We further exam-  
 482 ine whether adding vision conditions im-  
 483 proves generation. On Mo440H-MLV, we  
 484 evaluate both vision-language-to-motion  
 485 and vision-based motion in-between with-  
 486 out task-specific fine-tuning. As shown in

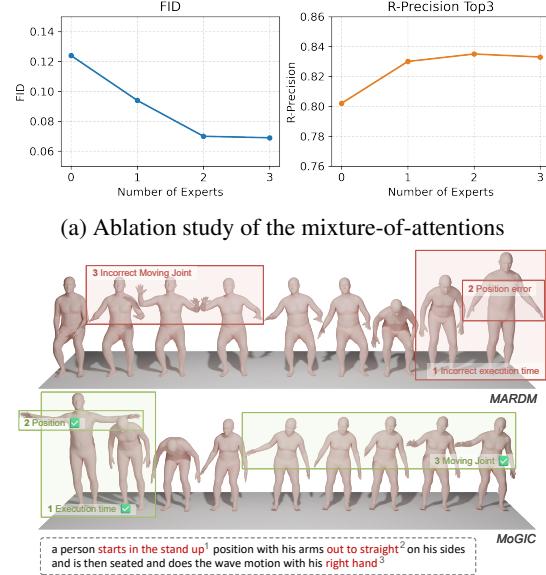


Figure 4: The effectiveness of mixture-of-attention.

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 487 Table 5, vision consistently reduces FID while keeping diversity comparable, and combining lan-  
 488 guage with vision yields the best trade-off. This suggests that visual conditions provide comple-  
 489 mentary spatiotemporal hints beyond text or motion alone, leading to more natural and coherent  
 490 generations.

491 **Effectiveness of Mixture-of-Attention** We test four settings: no expert (i.e., no cross-attention  
 492 with fine-grained conditions), one expert ( $k_1 \in [0, \infty)$ ), two experts ( $k_1 \in [0, \infty), k_2 \in [1, 6)$ ),  
 493 and three experts ( $k_1 \in [0, \infty), k_2 \in [1, 6), k_3 \in [6, 10)$ ). As shown in Figure 4a, fine-grained  
 494 conditions greatly boost retrieval performance. Increasing expert number steadily reduces FID,  
 495 with retrieval precision peaking at two experts. To balance efficiency and effectiveness, we adopt  
 496 two experts as default. Figure 4b further shows that, thanks to mixture-of-attention with adaptive  
 497 scope, our method generates motions with more precise local responses, including joint movement,  
 498 positioning, and timing.

499 **Impact of Video Sampling Strategy** We further analyze how different visual sampling strategies affect  
 500 motion generation quality. Since the visual stream in MoGIC is designed to provide weak conditions rather  
 501 than dense kinematic supervision, we compare (1) sparse 1 FPS inputs (default setting), (2) denser 2 FPS inputs,  
 502 and (3) dynamic-aware keyframes selected by optical-flow magnitude and joint-acceleration peaks  
 503 (10 frames). As shown in Table 6, while denser or motion-centric sampling slightly improves FID,  
 504 it consistently reduces motion diversity, indicating that the model becomes over-constrained by de-  
 505 terministic visual poses and tends toward keyframe interpolation. In contrast, 1 FPS inputs already  
 506 capture essential context, interaction type, and coarse movement tendencies, yielding a strong bal-  
 507 ance between fidelity and generative flexibility.

Table 6: Effect of video sampling strategies on IDEA400.

Sampling	FID↓	Top1↑	Top2↑	Top3↑	Div.↑	Match↓
1 FPS	0.443	0.285	0.466	0.588	<b>9.106</b>	3.321
2 FPS	0.423	0.284	<b>0.469</b>	<b>0.597</b>	8.903	<b>3.226</b>
Flow-based	0.421	<b>0.286</b>	0.468	0.591	8.797	3.304
Acc.-based	<b>0.418</b>	0.285	0.468	0.593	8.817	3.302

Table 7: Ablation study of future-aware behavior understanding.

Visible Rate	Top1↑	Top2↑	Top3↑	FID↓	Match↓	Div.↑
100%	0.646	0.845	0.919	0.198	1.910	<b>12.623</b>
75%	0.648	0.847	0.922	0.171	1.905	12.599
50%	<b>0.652</b>	<b>0.851</b>	<b>0.926</b>	<b>0.134</b>	<b>1.889</b>	12.434
25%	0.650	0.848	0.923	0.156	1.905	12.417

514 **The proportion of visible motion**  
 515 **prefixes in Future-Aware Behav-**  
 516 **ior Understanding** We investigate  
 517 how the proportion of visible motion  
 518 prefixes used in the future-aware be-  
 519 havior understanding task influences  
 520 downstream motion generation. As  
 521 shown in Table 7, providing a mod-  
 522 erate amount of prefix motion (50%)  
 523 leads to the best overall performance,  
 524 as it offers sufficient contextual cues while still encouraging the model to infer future dynamics. In  
 525 contrast, either exposing the entire prefix or revealing too little motion reduces generation quality,  
 526 indicating that balanced prefix visibility is essential for effective future-aware behavior under-  
 527 standing.

## 528 6 CONCLUSION

530 In this work, we introduce MoGIC, a unified multimodal framework that couples future-aware be-  
 531 havior understanding with multimodal-conditioned motion generation. By jointly modeling high-  
 532 level future semantic patterns and continuous motion synthesis across language, vision, and motion,  
 533 MoGIC effectively resolves ambiguities inherent in text-only conditioning and delivers versatile  
 534 generative capability. To support this paradigm, we construct Mo440H, a 440-hour tri-modal bench-  
 535 mark aggregated from 21 diverse motion datasets. Comprehensive experiments across HumanML3D  
 536 and Mo440H verify MoGIC’s substantial gains in generation fidelity, captioning performance, and  
 537 multi-conditioned synthesis, including vision-guided generation and future-behavior understanding.  
 538 We believe these findings offer new insights into multimodal human motion understanding and lay  
 539 the groundwork for more precise, and semantically grounded motion generation in future research.

540 ETHICS STATEMENT  
541542 **Dataset usage and compliance.** All datasets used in this work are publicly available and can be  
543 freely downloaded from the internet. We strictly comply with the official licenses and usage terms  
544 associated with each dataset, ensuring that our data use aligns with community norms and legal  
545 requirements.  
546547 **Privacy and anonymity.** The datasets employed do not contain personally identifiable information  
548 (PII) or sensitive private data. Our work involves only motion capture-style representations  
549 (e.g., 3D skeleton joints, body parameters), which are inherently abstract and anonymized.  
550551 **Human subjects.** No human subject experiments were conducted for this research. All exper-  
552 imental results are derived from existing open-source datasets, which have already been collected  
553 and released by their respective authors. Thus, issues related to IRB approval, informed consent, or  
554 direct participant involvement are not applicable.  
555556 **Application scope and potential risks.** This research falls under the category of generative mod-  
557eling, with primary applications in animation, computer graphics, and artistic content creation. We  
558 do not foresee potential risks of harmful applications, such as surveillance, discrimination, or misuse  
559 in security-critical settings.  
560561 **Representation and likeness.** The generated outputs represent human body kinematics in terms  
562 of parameters such as joint positions and motion trajectories. They do not reproduce personal like-  
563 nesses, facial identities, or biometric information, and therefore do not raise concerns about portrait  
564 rights or identity misuse.  
565566 **Fairness, bias, and integrity.** The datasets used are diverse motion corpora but, as with all public  
567 datasets, may contain imbalances in action types or distributions. Our focus is on methodological  
568 contributions rather than demographic or identity-sensitive attributes. We confirm that all results  
569 presented in this paper are genuine, and no data manipulation or misrepresentation has been per-  
570 formed.  
571572 REPRODUCIBILITY STATEMENT  
573575 **Model description.** The main body of the paper provides a comprehensive description of our  
576 proposed architecture, including the conditional masked transformer, diffusion head, and the disen-  
577 tangled generation modules.  
578579 **Training and evaluation details.** Hyperparameters, optimization strategies, and hardware settings  
580 are reported in the experimental section. We also describe the evaluation metrics, number of epochs,  
581 and sampling steps to ensure clarity and transparency.  
582583 **Dataset processing.** The composition of the datasets used in the experiments is reported in the  
584 main text. Further details on sequence segmentation, normalization, and preprocessing are provided  
585 in the supplementary materials.  
586587 **Code availability.** An anonymous link to the source code is provided in the supplementary mate-  
588 rials. The repository contains scripts for training, evaluation, and dataset preparation, allowing other  
589 researchers to replicate our results.  
590591 **Documentation of assumptions.** All assumptions made in model design and implementation are  
592 explicitly documented in the paper and supplementary materials, enabling verification and repro-  
593 ducibility of our findings.  
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