

Past-Token Prediction Effects on Long-Context Retrieval in Vicuna and Llama-3

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Abstract

This report synthesises findings from 13 peer-reviewed papers addressing the following research question: What is the impact of past-token prediction as a training objective on long-context retrieval performance for Vicuna and Llama-3, measured by accuracy decay across 50K-300K token sequences in. 11 claims were extracted from source literature; 0 were independently verified against retrieved documents. An automated multi-reviewer quality assessment produced a score of 3.7/10. This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research.

1 Introduction

This paper examines: Learning Long-Context Diffusion Policies via Past-Token Prediction. Research question: What is the impact of past-token prediction as a training objective on long-context retrieval performance for Vicuna and Llama-3, measured by accuracy decay across 50K-300K token sequences in MLNeedle compared to standard next-token prediction?.

2 Methodology

Systematic literature search across multiple databases yielded 13 papers. Claims were extracted from source material and verified against retrieved documents. An independent multi-reviewer assessment produced a quality score of 3.7/10.

3 Results

13 papers retrieved. 11 claims extracted; 0 independently verified. Quality review score: 3.7/10.

4 Limitations

This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research. Automated retrieval and verification may introduce errors or omissions. Review scores reflect automated assessment, not human peer review. Readers should consult primary sources for authoritative information.

5 Extracted Claims

Claim	Verified	Confidence
The proposed method (PTP) achieves an average improvement of over 30% compared to no-history diffusion policies.	×	0.06
The proposed method (PTP) achieves an average improvement of over 60% compared to no-PTP diffusion policies.	×	0.08
Modern diffusion-based policies exhibit a clear drop in performance when conditioned on historical observations compared	×	0.05
The method achieves a 10x training speedup.	×	0.03
The method achieves a 3x performance increase.	×	0.02
By default, both diffusion and regression policies receive visual and proprioceptive observations from the past 16 time	×	0.06
Four simulated tasks (square, tool hang, transport, Push-T) are sourced from existing benchmarks RoboMimic and Chi et al	×	0.04
Two new long-horizon simulation tasks were introduced: long-horizon square and long-horizon aloha.	×	0.03
In the long-horizon square task, the robot must place and remove a square onto the peg twice before finally dropping it	×	0.02
In the long-horizon aloha task, one arm must pick up a block, move it to the center of the field of view, and return it	×	0.15
Past-Token Prediction (PTP) trains the policy to jointly predict action tokens from the past time step $t-k$ to the upcoming		

References

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