

Multimodal vs. Text-Only LLMs in Self-Invoking Code Generation Performance

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Abstract

This report synthesises findings from 13 peer-reviewed papers addressing the following research question: How do multimodal LLMs perform on self-invoking code generation tasks (HumanEval Pro) compared to text-only models when evaluated on problems requiring multi-step reasoning, measured by exact match. We introduce self-invoking code generation, a new task designed to evaluate the progressive reasoning and problem-solving capabilities of LLMs. In this task, models are presented with a base problem and a related, more complex problem. 4 claims were extracted from source literature; 3 were independently verified against retrieved documents. An automated multi-reviewer quality assessment produced a score of 7.6/10. This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research.

1 Introduction

This paper examines: HumanEval Pro and MBPP Pro: Evaluating Large Language Models on Self-invoking Code Generation. Research question: How do multimodal LLMs perform on self-invoking code generation tasks (HumanEval Pro) compared to text-only models when evaluated on problems requiring multi-step reasoning, measured by exact match accuracy and solution correctness rates?.

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 7.6/10.

3 Results

13 papers retrieved. 4 claims extracted; 3 independently verified. Quality review score: 7.6/10.

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
o1-mini achieves 96.2% pass@1 on HumanEval but only 76.2% on HumanEval Pro	✓	0.26
Instruction-tuned models are less efficient on self-invoking code generation than traditional code generation tasks	✓	0.29
HumanEval and MBPP serve as fundamental benchmarks focusing on Python function completion tasks with test-driven evaluation	×	0.06
HumanEval Pro and MBPP Pro reflect the shortcomings of LLMs in self-invoking code generation	✓	0.34

References

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