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Friction Bloom - Dataset 3

Technical Evaluation of Performance Optimization and Scaling Analysis of Dataset 003

1. Strategic Overview of Dataset 003 Evaluation

The technical evaluation of Dataset 003 represents a critical milestone in our system's architectural evolution, marking a decisive shift from the experimental validations of Dataset 002 toward a hardened, production-ready framework. This 3,850-run test suite functions as a high-velocity benchmark, designed to stress-test system reliability and execution integrity at scale. By establishing this high-density data baseline, we transition away from anecdotal performance metrics toward a rigorous, statistically significant model of system behavior. The core metrics from this evaluation demonstrate substantial progress, headlined by an overall bloom rate of 76.6%. From a systems performance perspective, the execution velocity is particularly noteworthy: the architecture processed the entire 3,850-run volume in a mere 7.4 seconds. This sub-8-second throughput confirms the system's viability in high-concurrency, real-time environments where latency budgets are razor-thin. The primary technical objective of this analysis is to deconstruct the non-linear correlations between friction variables, grid dimensions, and output stability to solve for the remaining scaling bottlenecks.

2. Outcome Distribution and Execution Velocity

Architectural health is best understood through the categorization of execution outcomes into Bloom, Noise, and Stable classifications. Distinguishing between these states is essential for isolating systemic failure modes and identifying whether sub-optimal outputs are the result of logic regressions or environmental variables.

Classification	Run Count	Percentage
Bloom	2,950	76.6%
Noise	600	15.6%
Stable	300	7.8%

Dataset 003 Outcome Distribution

While the success rate is high, the 15.6% "Noise" rate represents a critical target for refinement. As a Senior Architect, I must emphasize that while the 7.4-second total processing time is impressive, high-velocity execution of "Noise" constitutes a significant waste of compute resources. Refinement in Dataset 004 must focus on converting this noise into valid output to maximize resource efficiency. The following analysis examines the specific friction variables that dictate these outcomes.

3. Friction Combination Analysis and Efficacy

In this architecture, "friction combinations" are the fundamental drivers of novelty and system quality. Identifying "High-Performing" versus "Variable" combinations is critical for ensuring predictable system behavior and eliminating architectural entropy.

High-Performing Combinations: The following four configurations represent the system's peak stability envelope, achieving a uniform **100.0% Bloom Rate** , a **3.9181 Average Bloom Score** , and a **0.6394 Average Novelty**:

- **all_four**
- **wall_gap + first_third**
- **wall_gap + midpoint**
- **wall_gap + scattered**

The efficacy of these configurations stands in stark contrast to the performance degradation observed in lower-tier pairings.

Friction Combination	Bloom Rate	Avg Bloom Score	Avg Novelty
first_third + scattered	54.5%	3.2537	0.4179
first_third + midpoint	45.5%	3.0623	0.352
scattered + midpoint	36.4%	2.7747	0.2582

The data identifies the **wall_gap** variable as the definitive critical success factor for the system. The delta between the high-performing **wall_gap** configurations and the **scattered + midpoint** configuration is a massive **63.6% performance gap** . This indicates that **wall_gap** is not merely a preference but a prerequisite for architectural integrity. This dependency becomes even more pronounced when we examine how these variables interact with increasing spatial constraints.

4. Grid Size Scaling and Non-Linear Performance

A fundamental challenge in performance engineering is maintaining stability as capacity increases. The Dataset 003 results reveal a complex, non-linear relationship between grid dimensions and success rates, indicating that simple linear scaling logic is insufficient for this architecture.

Grid Size Scaling Performance

Grid Size	Bloom Rate	Avg Score
5x5	100.0%	3.6394
6x6	100.0%	3.7908
7x7	85.7%	3.4654
8x8	85.7%	3.6623
9x9	100.0%	3.7604
10x10	57.1%	3.4430
11x11	57.1%	3.4192
12x12	85.7%	3.4511
13x13	57.1%	3.4307
14x14	57.1%	3.4128
15x15	57.1%	3.4387

The data highlights a **reproducible scaling bottleneck** at the 10x10 threshold. While the 9x9 configuration maintains architectural integrity at the edge of the stability envelope (100.0% success), we observe a **42.9% success rate collapse** immediately upon transitioning to 10x10 and 11x11. This suggests a systemic regression in the current spatial logic. Smaller grids (5x5, 6x6) and the 9x9 outlier remain the current "Gold Standard," but the recurring drop to 57.1% in larger configurations like 13x13 and 15x15 signals a need for deep structural optimization to bridge the gap between small-scale success and large-scale inconsistency.

5. Comparative Evolution: Dataset 002 vs. Dataset 003

The iterative development cycle relies on tracking the "Total Delta" between dataset versions to validate refinement efforts. The transition from Dataset 002 to Dataset 003 demonstrates a major leap in system efficacy, with the overall Bloom Rate rising from a baseline of **45.5%** to the current **76.6%**.

This **31.1% improvement** confirms that the logic adjustments implemented in this cycle have successfully mitigated several legacy limitations. However, the 15.6% "Noise" factor and the performance collapse at higher grid scales remain the primary hurdles to total system stabilization. The findings of this Dataset 003 evaluation provide a clear, data-driven roadmap: we must solve the 10x10 scaling bottleneck and refine the **wall_gap** logic to achieve universal stability across the entire execution spectrum.