



TEST → FINE-TUNE → TEST Workflow



PHASE 1 — Baseline Testing (No Fine-Tuning)

1. Prepare Evaluation Dataset

Collect a labeled dataset appropriate to your safety task.

Dataset structure example:

| Image / Video | Label | Category |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| real_floor_crack1.jpg | cracked | hazard |
| simulation_floor_crack1.png | cracked | hazard |
| real_floor_clean1.jpg | not cracked | safe |
| real_shadow1.jpg | not cracked | ambiguou s |

Labeling guidelines:

- Clear ground truth: “cracked” / “not cracked”
 - Include edge cases (shadows, partial cracks, texture noise)
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2. Define Evaluation Prompts

Create question prompts the model will answer per sample:

Binary safety:

“Is this floor cracked? Yes or No.”

Task-oriented safety:

“Is this surface safe for robot traversal? Yes or No.”

Severity classification:

“How would you rate the hazard level of this surface from 1 (safe) to 5 (dangerous)?”

3. Run Inference with Base Model

Call Cosmos Reason 2’s inference endpoint on each sample with your prompts.

Log outputs:

- Model answer
 - Reasoning text
 - Confidence (if available)
 - Timestamp, prompt used
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4. Evaluation Metrics

Calculate the following to quantify baseline performance:

| Metric | Description |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Accuracy | Correct classification rate |
| Precision / Recall | Especially on “hazard” classes |
| Confusion matrix | Where errors occur |
| Uncertainty analysis | Cases of low-confidence answers |

A simple accuracy formula:

$$\text{Accuracy} = (\# \text{ correct predictions}) / (\text{total samples})$$

If the base model performs *well enough* (e.g., >85–90% on your key tasks), you may not need fine-tuning.



PHASE 2 — Fine-Tune Training (Optional)

Proceed only if **baseline performance is insufficient**.

1. Select Training Data

Use your labeled dataset from Phase 1.

For static reasoning tasks:

- You can use **images + prompt/response pairs**
- Simulation or real images are OK, but *include some real data if possible*

Example training sample format:

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{
  "image_path": "floor_crack1.jpg",
  "prompt": "Is this floor cracked? Yes or No.",
  "target": "Yes"
}
```

Pack your dataset in a filesystem that resembles Cosmos Cookbook custom dataset format.

2. Fine-Tune Execution

Use Cosmos post-training workflows:

- Fine-tune Cosmos Reason 2 using supervised examples above
- Use **domain randomization** if using synthetic data

If your dataset is small, consider:

- Few-shot tuning
 - Regularization (e.g., dropout)
 - Mix real and synthetic
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3. Training Validation

During training, evaluate on a held-out validation set:

| Epoch | Val Loss | Val Accuracy |
|-------|----------|--------------|
| 1 | 0.83 | 71.2% |
| 2 | 0.45 | 86.7% |
| 3 | 0.35 | 89.3% |

Stop when:

- Validation accuracy plateaus
 - Loss stops decreasing
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PHASE 3 — Post-Fine-Tuning Testing

1. Run Inference with Fine-Tuned Model

Use the same test set from Phase 1.

Log the same outputs:

- Predictions
- Reasoning text
- Confidence

2. Compare Metrics

Compute the same metrics:

| Metric | Base Model | Fine-Tuned Model |
|-----------|------------|------------------|
| Accuracy | 74.6% | 88.9% |
| Precision | 69.2% | 83.5% |
| Recall | 75.0% | 90.1% |

Improvement here justifies fine-tuning.

Decide and Document

If Base Model Was Enough:

Show a side-by-side table comparing base model scores with “target performance thresholds.” Explain why you *chose not to fine-tune*.

For example:

“Base model accuracy of 92% on real images met our safety requirements ($\geq 90\%$). Fine-tuning would risk overfitting to synthetic images and offered minimal improvement.”

If Fine-Tuning Helped:

Show:

- Before vs. after metrics
- Qualitative error analysis (e.g., example where base model fails but fine-tuned succeeds)
- Why improvements matter (real-world risk reduction, etc.)

