GUI-WORLD: A VIDEO BENCHMARK AND DATASET FOR MULTIMODAL GUI-ORIENTED UNDERSTANDING

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Figure 1: GUI-WORLD: A comprehensive dataset for GUI-oriented capabilities encompasses six scenarios and diverse tasks, offering significant potential for real-world applications.

ABSTRACT

Recently, Multimodal Large Language Models (MLLMs) have been used as agents to control keyboard and mouse inputs by directly perceiving the Graphical User Interface (GUI) and generating corresponding commands. However, current agents primarily demonstrate strong understanding capabilities in static environments and are mainly applied to relatively simple domains, such as Web or mobile interfaces. We argue that a robust GUI agent should be capable of perceiving temporal information on the GUI, including dynamic Web content and multi-step tasks. Additionally, it should possess a comprehensive understanding of various GUI scenarios, including desktop software and multi-window interactions. To this end, this paper introduces a new dataset, termed GUI-WORLD, which features meticulously crafted Human-MLLM annotations, extensively covering six GUI scenarios and eight types of GUI-oriented questions in three formats. We evaluate the capabilities of current state-of-the-art MLLMs, including Image LLMs and Video LLMs, in understanding various types of GUI content, especially dynamic and sequential content. Our findings reveal that current models struggle with dynamic GUI content without manually annotated keyframes or operation history. On the other hand, Video LLMs fall short in all GUI-oriented tasks given the sparse GUI video dataset. Therefore, we take the initial step of leveraging a fine-tuned Video LLM, GUI-VID, as a GUI-oriented assistant, demonstrating an improved understanding of various GUI tasks. However, due to the limitations in the performance of base LLMs, we conclude that using video LLMs as GUI agents remains a significant challenge. We believe our work provides valuable insights for future research in dynamic GUI content understanding. All the dataset and code are publicly available at: https://gui-world.github.io.

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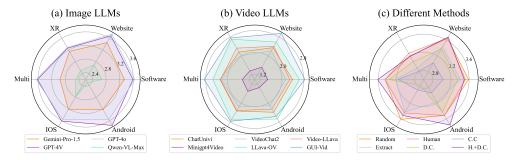


Figure 2: Comparative performance of different MLLMs in six scenarios of GUI-WORLD. (a) Performance of four mainstream Image LLMs. (b) Performance of five Video LLMs and our GUI-VID. (c) Performance among six methods. See Section 3.2 for more details.

1 Introduction

Multimodal Large Language Models (MLLMs), such as GPT-4V(ision) (OpenAI, 2023) and LLaVA (Liu et al., 2023b), have significantly contributed to the development of both vision and language domains (Yin et al., 2024). These models bring forth innovative solutions and paradigms for traditional visual tasks, including visual reasoning (Yang et al., 2023b), medical image interpretation (Li et al., 2024b), and applications in embodied agents (Huang et al., 2023). One particularly promising area is Graphical User Interface (GUI) understanding, which holds significant potential for real-world applications, such as webpage comprehension (Hong et al., 2024; Lai et al., 2024) and navigation by GUI agents (Yang et al., 2023a; Niu et al., 2024; Wang et al., 2024). The key challenges of GUI understanding are twofold: effective GUI agents are expected to (1) possess a deep understanding of GUI elements, including webpage icons, text identified through Optical Character Recognition (OCR), and page layouts, and (2) exhibit an exceptional ability to follow instructions within GUI contexts, such as conducting searches through search engines.

Despite significant progress, as illustrated in Table 1, prior studies on GUI-related datasets and benchmarks suffer the following limitations: (1) *Inability to Handle Dynamic Environments*. Most studies primarily emphasize the static features of GUI scenarios, often overlooking the importance of enabling MLLMs to effectively handle dynamic information and sequential operations. For instance, an agent's task performance can be disrupted by unexpected elements such as pop-up advertisements, underscoring a gap in handling dynamic sequential tasks. (2) *Limited Scenarios*. Current research is typically restricted to Web-based or mobile environments, which limits to assess their generalization ability and robustness across scenarios. For instance, GUI-oriented models may need to operate across diverse platforms such as Windows, macOS, Linux, iOS, Android, and eXtended Reality (XR) environments. Operations may sometimes involve multiple windows. Therefore, expanding research to encompass these varied environments will enhance the adaptability and effectiveness.

To mitigate these gaps, this paper introduces GUI-WORLD, a comprehensive dataset containing 12,379 GUI videos, specifically designed to evaluate and enhance the capabilities of GUI agents. This dataset encompasses a wide range of GUI scenarios, including popular websites, desktop and mobile applications across various operating systems, multi-window interactions, as well as XR environments. The data collection process involves sourcing GUI videos from screen recordings and instructional videos on YouTube. Subsequently, we utilize a Human-MLLM collaborative approach to generate a diverse set of captions, complex queries, and multi-round conversation, ultimately constructing GUI-WORLD.

Likewise, we also establish a comprehensive benchmark for GUI understanding, which encompasses nine mainstream MLLMs (*e.g.*, GPT-4o (OpenAI, 2024) and Gemini-1.5-Pro (Team et al., 2023)), five keyframe selection strategies (*e.g.*, UVD (Zhang et al., 2024d)), and six GUI scenarios, aiming to provide a thorough evaluation of the GUI-oriented understanding capabilities of MLLMs. As shown in Section 2, the assessment results indicate that most MLLMs struggle with GUI-WORLD, highlighting their limited dynamic understanding of graphical interfaces and underscoring the need for further enhancement.

Using this dataset, we take the first step to fine-tune a GUI-oriented Video LLM that excels at handling dynamic and sequential GUI tasks, leading to substantial enhancements in the general capabilities and

Table 1: Comparison of GUI datasets and benchmarks. **Sem.**: semantic instruction level, **VL**: Vision-Language, **Seq.**: Tasks for sequential images, **Cro.**: Cross-app or multi-window tasks, **Dyn.**: Tasks for dynamic GUI content.

Dataset	Size	Sem.	VL	Video	Web	Env . Mob	Type . Desk	. XR	Task Seq.	Cov Cro.	erage Dyn.	Task
Rico (Deka et al., 2017)	72,219			~	×	~	X	X	1	~	X	UI Code/Layout Generation
MiniWoB++ (Liu et al., 2018)	100	Low	1	X	~	×	X	×	X	×	×	Web Navigation
Screen2Words (Wang et al., 2021)	22,417	High	~	×	×	~	×	×	×	X	×	UI Summarization
MetaGUI (Sun et al., 2022)	1,125	Low	1	X	×	~	X	×	~	×	×	Mobile Navigation
UGIF (Venkatesh et al., 2022)	523	High	1	X	×	~	X	X	1	X	×	Instruction Following
AITW (Rawles et al., 2023)	715,142	High	~	×	×	~	×	×	~	~	×	GUI Understanding
Ferret-UI (You et al., 2024)	123,702	Low	1	X	×	~	X	X	X	X	×	UI Grounding & Understanding
Spotlight (Li & Li, 2022)	2.5M	Low	~	×	×	~	×	X	×	X	X	GUI Understanding
WebArena (Zhou et al., 2023)	812	Low	~	×	1	X	×	X	~	X	X	Web Navigation
Mind2Web (Deng et al., 2024)	2,350	Both	1	~	~	×	X	×	~	X	×	Web Navigation
OmniAct (Kapoor et al., 2024)	9,802	Low	~	×	1	X	~	X	~	X	X	Code Generation
GUICourse (Chen et al., 2024c)	10.7M	Both	~	×	~	~	X	X	~	•	X	GUI Understanding
MMINA (Zhang et al., 2024e)	1,050	Low	~	X	V	X	×	X	~	~	X	Web Navigation
AgentStudio (Zheng et al., 2024b)	304	High	1	X	1	×	1	×	1	~	×	General Control
OSWorld (Xie et al., 2024)	369	High		×	~	×	~	X	~	•	X	General Control
GUI-WORLD (Ours)	12,379	Both	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	GUI Understanding Instruction Following

showcasing the utility and effectiveness of GUI-WORLD. Additionally, we delve into discussing various factors critical to GUI understanding, including the integration of textual information, the number of keyframes, image resolutions, and vision perception, providing a pioneering and comprehensive study of the GUI domain.

Overall, the key contributions of this paper are threefold:

- A New Dataset. We propose GUI-WORLD, a comprehensive GUI dataset comprising 12,379 videos specifically designed to assess and improve GUI-oriented capabilities of MLLMs, spanning a range of categories and scenarios, including desktop, mobile, and XR environments. It stands as the first GUI-oriented instruction-tuning dataset in video domain.
- Comprehensive Experiments and Valuable Insights. Our experiments indicate that most existing MLLMs continue to face challenges with GUI-oriented tasks, particularly in sequential and dynamic GUI content. Empirical results suggest that enhancing vision perception, such as more keyframes and higher resolution, can lead to substantial performance improvements in GUI tasks.
- A Explorative GUI-oriented Video LLM. Based on GUI-WORLD, we propose GUI-VID, a GUI-oriented video LLM with enhanced capabilities to handle various and complex GUI tasks. GUI-VID shows a significant improvement on the benchmark and achieves results comparable to the top-performing models, thereby paving ways for the future of GUI models.

2 GUI-WORLD: A DATASET FOR GUI UNDERSTANDING

2.1 Overview

We introduce GUI-WORLD, a comprehensive dataset covering six GUI scenarios including video, human-annotated keyframes, as well as detailed captions and diverse types of QA produced by our data curation framework, aiming at benchmarking and enhancing the general GUI-oriented

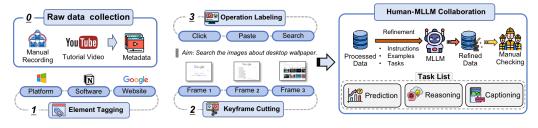


Figure 3: An overview construction pipeline of GUI-WORLD.

Table 2: The statistics of GUI-WORLD. For Android, we select videos from Rico (Deka et al., 2017) and randomly sample 10 frames. **Avg. Frame** refers to the average number of frames in each clip, and **Avg. Anno.** refers to the average number of manually annotated GUI actions.

Category	Total Videos	Free-form	MCQA	Conversation	Total Frame. (Avg.)	Avg. Anno.
Software	4,720	27,840	9,440	9,440	23,520 (4.983)	7.558
Website	2,499	14,994	4,998	4,998	15,371 (6.151)	6.862
IOS	492	2,952	984	984	2,194 (4.459)	7.067
Multi	475	2,850	950	950	2,507 (5.277)	7.197
XR	393	2,358	786	786	1,584 (4.030)	10.970
Android	3,800	15,199	7,600	7,600	38,000 (10.000)	-
Summary	12,379	76,673	24,758	24,758	83,176 (6.719)	7.463

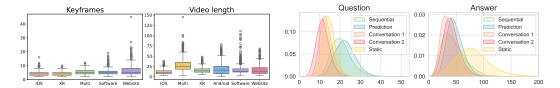


Figure 4: **Left:** Distribution of the number of keyframes and video lengths. **Right:** Length distribution for each type of question and its golden answer.

capabilities. These GUI scenarios encompass desktop operating systems (*e.g.*, macOS, Windows) and mobile platforms (*e.g.*, Android and iOS), websites, software, and even XR (*e.g.*, GUI in Apple Vision Pro (Apple, 2024)). We divide the dataset into a train-test split, each containing 10,702 and 1,677 samples. Discussion for each scenario is referred to Appendix A.1.

As illustrated in Figure 3, the development of GUI-WORLD follows a two-stage process. Further details about video and query statistics are outlined in Table 2, including distributions of keyframe counts, video durations, query lengths, and their corresponding golden answers. Figures 4 and 5 further illustrate these data distributions.

2.2 GUI VIDEO COLLECTION AND KEYFRAME ANNOTATION PROCESS

We describe the pipeline for collecting screen recordings from student workers and GUI-related instructional videos from YouTube for GUI-WORLD and the procedures followed to convert these videos into keyframe sequences.

A significant portion of our video data is derived from screen recordings executed by student workers, which can directly reflect real-life GUI usage scenarios. A typical video collection scenario involves assigning a student worker a specific software task. The student begins by familiarizing themselves with the software, followed by recording a series of operations in a short video clip, such as "Sign up", "Sign in", "Create a New Page", and "Invite Other Collaborators" in the software "Notion¹".

Despite the high fidelity of these manually recorded videos, we encounter several challenges: (1) Student workers often require substantial time to acquaint themselves with professional software (e.g., MATLAB, Adobe After Effects (Ae)), which can hinder the progress of data collection. (2) The videos may lack comprehensiveness, typically capturing only commonly used operations and overlooking rarer functions crucial for dataset completeness. To address these issues, we also source videos from social media platforms that host a diverse array of GUI videos. Specifically, we download tutorial videos from YouTube—given its prevalence as a video-sharing platform—because they richly detail various GUI operations. These videos are then segmented into shorter clips, each representing a distinct sequence of operations.

The subsequent step involves annotating these video clips with keyframes and textual descriptions of each keyframe using custom-designed annotation software. Although several algorithms exist for keyframe extraction (Zhu et al., 2016; Yan et al., 2018; Mahasseni et al., 2017; OpenCV), they typically underperform with GUI videos where changes between frames might be minimal (*e.g.*, a slight movement in the mouse cursor). To ensure high-quality datasets, we therefore perform manual

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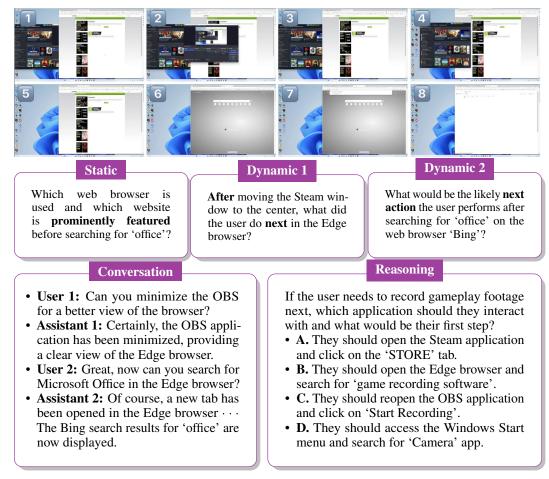


Figure 5: An example in multi-window GUI scene as a case study.

extraction of these keyframes. Each keyframe is meticulously annotated to include details such as the operation performed, the purpose between two keyframes, the software or website used, mouse actions (e.g., scroll, click), and keyboard inputs (e.g., copy (Ctrl + C), paste (Ctrl + V), specific input). We detail our annotation process in Appendix A.3.

2.3 GUI TASKS GENERATION FROM HUMAN-MLLM COLLABORATION

Drawing insights from prior research (Dekoninck et al., 2024), we develop a Human-MLLM collaboration pipeline to annotate captions and diverse types of QA specifically tailored for GUI comprehension. The process involves inputting an instructional prompt, a comprehensive description, key information (*e.g.*, system or application), and a sequence of human-annotated keyframes into GPT-4V. As depicted in Table 11, GUI-WORLD features various question types, detailed as follows:

- > **Detailed and Summarized Captioning:** This task challenges basic GUI knowledge and multimodal perception, also addressing the deficiency of detailed GUI content in video-caption pairs. Initially, GPT-4V generates two distinct descriptions for each video: one concentrating on fine-grained details and the other on overall information. Furthermore, GPT-4V provides a succinct summary, highlighting core operations and overarching objectives in the video.
- ⊳ **Static GUI Content:** This task challenges MLLM with textual, layout, and iconographic analysis of static GUI content. We instruct GPT-4V to generate free-form queries with a golden answer concerning static GUI elements or specific scenes that recur in more than two keyframes, ensuring their consistent presence in the video. Additionally, GPT-4V also crafts QA pairs that evaluate inferential skills in static content, focusing on interrelations among icons or textual information.

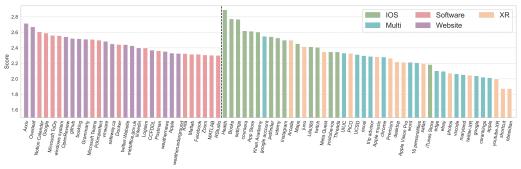


Figure 6: Fine-grained performance of GPT-4V in each GUI scenario (w.o. Android).

Dynamic and Sequential GUI Content: This task concentrates on temporal content in GUI video, such as dynamically changing interfaces, and aims to elucidate the sequential information and reasoning chains within GUI content. We direct GPT-4V to identify consistently changing elements to create queries for dynamic content. Moreover, predictive tasks are formulated on order and temporal relation in provided sequential images, challenging agents to anticipate future events or states.

In the last stage, human annotators will follow the guideline in Appendix A.3 and carefully review the entire video and MLLM-generated QA pairs to correct inaccuracies and hallucinations, as well as supplement information for both questions and answers to make these tasks more challenging.

3 EXPERIMENTS AND ANALYSIS

3.1 EXPERIMENTAL SETUPS

Models.² We conduct evaluations on five of the most popular vision LLMs: GPT-4V(ision) (OpenAI, 2023), GPT-40 (OpenAI, 2024), Qwen-VL-Max (Bai et al., 2023), LLaVA-OV-7B (Li et al., 2024a), and Gemini-Pro-1.5 (Team et al., 2023). Additionally, we test the effect of different vision inputs on GPT-40, using no input, low and high-resolution settings, as well as without providing images, to further assess how resolution influences performance. Each model's responses employ a three-step Chain-of-Thought (CoT) (Wei et al., 2022) process, *i.e.*, "Describe-Analyze-Answer", to evaluate their peak performance. Additionally, we assessed four advanced video LLMs—ChatUnivi (Jin et al., 2023), Minigpt4-video (Ataallah et al., 2024), Videochat2 (Li et al., 2023c), VideoLLaVA (Lin et al., 2023a) —for their performance on GUI content. See Appendix C for detailed setups.

Evaluation Metrics. To assess free-form questions and multiple-round conversations, we utilize the LLM-as-a-Judge methodology, which assigns a similarity score ranging from 1 to 5 between MLLM's response and a predefined golden answer, already validated by previous studies (Zheng et al., 2023; Liu et al., 2023d; Chen et al., 2024a; Ye et al., 2024). For multiple-choice questions, we measure performance using accuracy as the primary evaluation metric.

Keyframe Extraction. We benchmark on three keyframe selection settings: (1) *Linspave*, where frames are evenly sampled at fixed time intervals within a video; (2) *Program*, with programmatic method Katna (KeplerLab, 2023); (3) *Model-based*, which leverages pre-trained vision representation from VIP (Ma et al., 2022) and R3M (Nair et al., 2022) to form UVD (Zhang et al., 2024d); and (4) *Human*, where humans select keyframes during the annotation process. We use *Human* setting for Image LLMs in our main experiment with an average of 6.719 frames (Table 2). For all other settings, we input 10 frames into each MLLM.

Additional Information Integration. To investigate the effectiveness of integrating image-caption models for LLMs—typically employed in natural videos—and the helpfulness of textual GUI content in accomplishing GUI-oriented tasks, we implement three experimental settings: Detailed Caption, Concise Caption, and Vision + Detailed Caption. GPT-4V is utilized to provide captions of these keyframes, integrating human annotators' operational intents to more accurately describe each frame, being validated in Appendix A.3.

²Given that GPT-4V is announced to be deprecated, we use GPT-4o for certain ablation studies to ensure that our results provide longer-term reference value.

Table 3: The overall performance in six GUI scenarios for MCQA and Free-form queries. **MC** - Multiple-Choice QA. **Free** - average score of all free-form and conversational queries.

	Models	Software		Web	site	X	R	Mu	ılti	IO	S	And	roid	Av	g.
	1,10,001	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free
As	LLaVA-OV-7B	56.9%	2.641	48.4%	2.588	59.6%	2.709	52.9%	2.306	58.1%	2.717	24.3%	2.675	50.0%	2.606
Į	Gemini-Pro-1.5	82.9%	3.385	79.2%	3.412	83.3%	3.108	83.4%	3.246	80.3%	3.467	78.5%	3.168	81.3%	3.298
e L	Qwen-VL-Max	75.8%	2.651	75.5%	2.698	77.6%	2.373	66.9%	2.490	74.3%	2.633	74.2%	2.559	74.0%	2.568
Image	GPT-4V	86.0%	3.520	79.8%	3.655	83.4%	3.265	76.9%	3.449	79.9%	3.453	81.3%	3.466	81.2%	3.469
II	GPT-4o	86.5%	3.644	83.3%	3.740	84.3%	3.285	81.1%	3.654	83.3%	3.558	90.0%	3.561	84.8%	3.573
s	ChatUnivi	28.4%	2.389	22.2%	2.349	20.6%	2.161	17.5%	2.275	22.6%	2.337	23.0%	2.390	22.4%	2.317
Σ̈́	Minigpt4Video	18.9%	1.475	15.3%	1.520	16.3%	1.362	15.4%	1.457	20.1%	1.501	14.6%	1.342	16.8%	1.443
\Box	VideoChat2	45.5%	2.144	42.6%	2.221	44.0%	2.005	40.4%	2.222	40.2%	2.169	44.7%	2.119	42.9%	2.147
deo	Video-LLaVA	52.9%	2.290	52.4%	2.410	44.2%	2.258	45.9%	2.329	49.7%	2.319	51.3%	2.259	49.4%	2.311
Vic	GUI-VID	59.9%	2.847	54.1%	2.957	55.6%	2.764	52.9%	2.861	51.8%	2.773	53.4%	2.572	54.6%	2.796

Table 4: Overall performance in six GUI scenarios for MCQA and Free-form queries. **D.C.** means detailed caption, and **C.C.** means concise caption, and **X** means no vision input.

Models	Setting		Setting		Setting		Setting		Software		Website		X	R	Mu	llti	IO	OS And		roid Av		g.
1110 4015	Vision	Text	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free	MC	Free						
	×	D.C.	85.0%	3.350	83.1%	3.380	82.3%	3.056	84.2%	3.358	81.6%	2.751	81.7%	3.427	83.0%	3.316						
GPT-4V	×	D.C.	80.7% 82.5%	3.028 3.494	72.2% 83.2%	3.025 3.682	82.8% 85.9 %	2.809 3.191	81.3% 83.9%	3.160 3.617	76.5% 80.9%	2.868 3.516	76.4% 84.9%	2.939 3.758	78.3% 83.5%	2.971 3.543						

Table 5: Detailed scores for free-form tasks in the software-related scenarios. **Dyn.** refers to queries on dynamic GUI content.

	Models	Cap	otion	Comple	ex Tasks	Conve	rsation	Avaraga
	Wiodels	Concise	Detailed	Static	Dyn.	Round 1	Round 2	Average
Λs	LLaVA-OV-7B	2.149	1.762	1.868	2.448	2.947	3.492	2.641
Ţ	Gemini-Pro-1.5	3.306	3.035	2.945	3.093	3.573	3.790	3.298
e I	Qwen-VL-Max	2.474	1.711	2.137	2.433	3.223	3.257	2.651
Image LLMs	GPT-4V	3.352	2.509	3.053	3.229	3.928	4.163	3.520
Ī	GPT-40	4.048	3.028	3.125	3.340	4.129	4.318	3.644
Лs	ChatUnivi	1.587	1.240	1.705	2.090	2.698	3.366	2.389
Ţ	Minigpt4Video	1.246	1.073	1.249	1.455	1.494	1.719	1.475
Тc	VideoChat2	1.992	1.312	1.812	1.920	2.342	2.720	2.144
Video LLMs	Video-LLaVA	1.519	1.241	1.657	1.959	2.587	3.293	2.290
>	GUI-VID	3.562	2.058	2.376	2.763	3.080	3.260	2.847

3.2 EMPIRICAL RESULTS

Commercial Vision LLMs outperform Open-source Video LLMs in Zero-shot Settings. Commercial vision LLMs, notably GPT-4V and GPT-4o, consistently outperform open-source video LLMs in zero-shot settings. As detailed in Table 3, GPT-4o exhibits superior performance across all GUI scenarios in complex tasks, reflected in its high scores in both multiple-choice and free-form queries, with an average of 84.8% and 3.573. Similarly, Gemini demonstrates strong capabilities in captioning and descriptive tasks within software and iOS environments, scoring 2.836 and 2.936, respectively, as shown in Table 26. Further analysis (Figure 6) reveals that GPT-4V excels in applications with minimal textual content and simple layouts, such as TikTok, health apps, and GitHub. In contrast, its performance drops in more intricate applications like Microsoft ToDo and XR software. As for video LLMs, their significantly poorer performance is attributed to two main factors: their inability to accurately interpret GUI content from user inputs and a lack of sufficient GUI-oriented pre-training, which is evident from their inadequate performance in basic captioning and description tasks. See Appendix D for other metrics and detailed fine-grained performance.

Dynamic GUI Tasks Continue to Challenge MLLMs. In the fine-grained tasks depicted in Table 5, GPT-4V and GPT-4o excel with dynamic GUI content and conversational tasks but struggle with providing detailed descriptions for entire videos and static content. This discrepancy is attributed to minor variations in GUI that significantly impact its semantic meaning. Enhancing the number of keyframes and the granularity of perception might mitigate these issues. Among video LLMs,

Table 6: Performance comparison of keyframe selection methods for GPT-40: *Model-based* keyframe identifiers from embodied AI demonstrate comparable performance to *human-selected* keyframes.

Settings	Cap Concise	otion Detailed	Comple Static	ex Tasks Dyn.	Conve Round 1	Average	
Human	3.911	3.031	3.131	3.318	3.981	4.132	3.573
Program	3.643	2.764	2.872	3.052	3.702	3.837	3.300
Linspace	3.749	2.941	3.000	3.077	3.687	3.843	3.440
UVD+vip	3.954	3.105	3.321	3.219	3.944	4.107	3.581
UVD+r3m	3.972	3.121	3.352	3.243	3.975	4.119	3.612

Table 7: The improved performance with higher resolution inputs demonstrates the critical role of vision input in GUI-related tasks.

Setting	Cap	otion	Comple	ex Tasks	Conve	Average	
Setting	Concise	Detailed	Static	Dyn.	Round 1	Round 2	Average
w/o Vision	2.187	1.872	2.486	2.979	3.760	4.059	2.891
Low Resolution	3.672	2.794	2.869	3.150	3.783	4.041	3.394
High Resolution	3.911	3.031	3.131	3.318	3.981	4.132	3.574

ChatUnivi excels in conversational tasks by effectively leveraging contextual nuances, particularly in subsequent rounds, yet it underperforms in caption tasks. In contrast, GUI-VID demonstrates proficiency in dynamic tasks but falls short in both captioning and static content. This gap is linked to deficiencies in backbone pretraining, which lacked comprehensive GUI content crucial for effective vision-text alignment, as evidenced by its poor performance in simple caption task shown in Table 26 and an instruction tuning process failed to fully address these shortcomings.

Vision Perception is Important to Dynamic GUI Content. As demonstrated in Table 7, integrating detailed textual information slightly outperforms purely vision-based inputs or detailed captions, akin to a Chain of Thought (CoT) (Wei et al., 2022) setting. Surprisingly, GPT-4V excels in caption tasks with just detailed captions, providing insights on enhancing specific GUI-oriented tasks through additional textual information. However, it still falls short in more challenging tasks, such as retrieving static or dynamic content. This underscores the critical role of visual perception in GUI environments, where even minor changes can significantly impact outcomes.

Keyframe Selection is Important for GUI-oriented Tasks. Our experiments demonstrate that *model-based* keyframe identifiers, originally developed for embodied AI applications, perform competitively with *human-selected* across both basic tasks (*e.g.*, caption) and complex tasks (static and dynamic analysis). As shown in Table 6, GPT-40 exhibits significant performance improvements when utilizing these robotics-inspired model-based keyframe identifiers, with the UVD+VIP approach achieving optimal results. These findings suggest the potential to replace manual keyframe selection with automated approaches. Further analysis reveals that embodied AI keyframe identifiers successfully capture semantic transitions in GUI content, while *linspace* and *program*-based selection methods fail to do so, highlighting their particular suitability for GUI-oriented tasks. The substantial performance gaps observed between different selection methods underscore the critical importance of keyframe selection in this domain.

4 EXPLORING AND IMPROVING GUI-ORIENTED VIDEO LLMS

4.1 Method: Progressive Enhancement

We introduce our strategy to enhance the GUI-oriented capabilities of current MLLMs on both static and dynamic GUI content. Inspired by previous studies (Lai et al., 2024; Li et al., 2023b), we structure our methodology into two distinct fine-tuning stages, as illustrated in Figure 7. Initially, we fine-tune the MLLM on simpler tasks, such as description queries and captioning exercises, to instill a basic understanding of GUI elements. Subsequently, building on this foundation, the second stage aims to augment the MLLM's proficiency with more complex and challenging tasks. Our fine-tuning is all based on the Supervised Fine-Tuning (SFT): \mathcal{L}_{SFT} (π_{θ}) = $-\mathbb{E}_{(x,y)\sim\mathcal{D}}$ [log $\pi_{\theta}(y\mid x)$], where x is the input, y is LLMs' output, and π_{θ} denotes the model parameters that need to be optimized.

Stage-1: Learning Preliminary for GUI Content. The initial phase focuses on aligning GUI content with a pre-trained vision encoder and a base LLM, utilizing GUI videos accompanied by detailed descriptions and captions. This phase aims to embed a robust understanding of fundamental

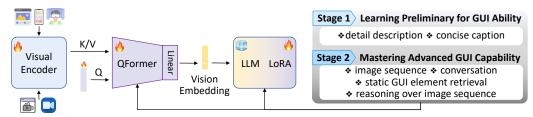


Figure 7: An overview of our fine-tuning architecture, focusing on 1) GUI content alignment and 2) GUI-oriented tasks instruction tuning.

GUI concepts and terminology within the MLLM. By engaging the model in basically captioning various GUI components, the model learns to recognize and articulate the functionalities and visual characteristics of these elements, thereby laying a solid groundwork for GUI knowledge.

Stage-2: Mastering Advanced GUI Capability. Building on the foundational knowledge established in Stage 1, the second stage focuses on advancing the MLLM's proficiency in interacting with GUI elements through more complex tasks. These tasks are designed to simulate real-world scenarios that the MLLM might encounter in GUI environments, which include predicting based on image sequences, engaging in conversations, retrieving both static and dynamic GUI elements, and performing reasoning tasks.

As illustrated in Figure 7, We employ the two-stage training architecture utilizing VideoChat2 (Li et al., 2023b) as our foundational model. Initially, videos and images are encoded using the UMT-L visual encoder (Li et al., 2023d). Subsequently, a QFormer compresses visual tokens into a smaller set of query tokens. Drawing inspiration from (Dai et al., 2023), we enhance the QFormer (Zhang et al., 2024c) by integrating instructions to enable it to extract visual representations pertinent to the given instructions. Additionally, we apply low-rank adaptation (LoRA (Hu et al., 2021)) to base LLM. This model is concurrently fine-tuned with the visual encoder and QFormer using a Vision-grounded Text Generation (VTG) loss: $\mathcal{L}_{\text{VTG}}(\theta) = -\mathbb{E}\left[\log p(y|v;\theta)\right]$, where v represents the visual tokens derived from the QFormer, and y represents the text output grounded in the visual context.

4.2 EXPERIMENTS

Experiment Setups. We use two dataset settings to fine-tune GUI-VID, one with video only, and the other with video and image, detailed in Appendix C. We also vary the number of keyframes (8, 16) fed into GUI-VID. All our experiments are conducted on A800 and 4090 GPUs.

Supreme Enhancement of GUI-VID on Graphic-based Interface After Fine-tuning on GUI-WORLD. As a pioneering study in training video LLMs as screen agents, GUI-VID significantly outperforms the baseline model, showing an average improvement of 30% across various tasks and GUI scenarios, even surpassing the commercial vision LLM, Qwen-VL-Max. This enhancement is particularly notable in captioning and dynamic task that reason over image sequences, where GUI-VID matches the performance of GPT-4V and Gemini-Pro. As depicted in Table 8, our two ablation studies during the fine-tuning phase demonstrate that utilizing GUI image-text captioning data significantly enhances the model's preliminary understanding of GUI elements, outperforming

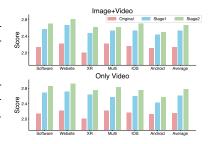


Figure 8: Two stages of progressive training enhance GUI ability.

training that relies solely on videos. Additionally, an increased number of keyframes correlates with improved performance across various scenarios, notably in environments featuring multiple windows and software applications. As shown in Figure 8, our two-stage progressive fine-tuning significantly enhances the performance in all GUI scenarios.

Correlation between GUI Understanding and Other Mainstream GUI Tasks. In our explorative experiments, GUI-VID still fails in some GUI operating tasks via code generation, which is due to the baseline LLM's weak performance and the challenges of code generation instruction fine-tuning. To further demonstrate how GUI understanding capability enhances mainstream GUI-related tasks,

Table 8: The overall results for ablation study on GUI-VID fine-tuning. F.K. and E.K. mean keyframes during the finetuning and evaluation process respectively. **I.**: Image, **V**: Video.

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GUI-VID	0	0	1	1	59.9%	2.856	54.1%	2.925	59.0%	2.751	52.1%	2.837	50.0%	2.756	54.0%	2.571	54.8%	2.782					
GUI-VID	0	16	X	1	59.0%	2.709	55.1%	2.821	62.8%	2.645	53.3%	2.624	55.5%	2.727	55.7%	2.501	56.9%	2.671					
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including generating operational code (Cheng et al., 2024) and providing chat assistance (Hong et al., 2024), we conduct experiments as follows (detailed in Appendix D):

- We evaluate our model on Mind2Web-Multimodal (Deng et al., 2024) in both zero-shot and fine-tuning setting. See Appendix D for further details.
- We conduct human study across 180 videos across 6 scenarios, where annotators will choose preferred responses from two response of different models when acting as GUI assistant (Table 17).

5 RELATED WORK

MLLM-based Agents for GUI. Building upon the significant advancements in LLMs (Achiam et al., 2023; Meta, 2023a;b; ai, 2024; Huang et al., 2025) and advanced modality-mixing technologies (Li et al., 2023a; Alayrac et al., 2022), groundbreaking MLLMs such as GPT-4V (OpenAI, 2023) and Gemini-Pro (Team et al., 2023), along with open-source MLLMs like the LLaVA-1.6 series (Liu et al., 2023b;a), CogVLM (Wang et al., 2023b), and Qwen-VL series (Bai et al., 2023), have shown outstanding performance across various tasks (Yu et al.; Liu et al., 2023e; Chen et al., 2024b; Wu et al., 2023; Wake et al., 2023; Zhang et al., 2024b; Zhao et al., 2024; Gui et al., 2024). Venturing beyond text and single image, several studies are now exploring the integration of video modalities for tasks requiring dynamic or sequential visual content (Jin et al., 2023; Li et al., 2023b; Maaz et al., 2023; Lin et al., 2023a). In the GUI domain, leveraging the robust vision perception capabilities of MLLMs, applications such as WebAgents (Hong et al., 2024; Zhang et al., 2024a; Zheng et al., 2024b) and Mobile Agents (Wang et al., 2023a; You et al., 2024; Wang et al., 2021; Li et al., 2020b) have gained popularity for handling everyday tasks like navigation and VQA. Frontier research is also investigating the use of MLLMs as general control agents, such as in playing computer games (Tan et al., 2024; Lin et al., 2023b) and serving as OS copilots (Song et al., 2024; Xie et al., 2024), paving the way for more complex GUI operations.

GUI Benchmark & Dataset. Building upon the foundational work of Rico (Deka et al., 2017), the first mobile GUI video dataset, and AitW (Rawles et al., 2023), which features 715k episodes of sequential images, research has extensively covered mobile (Sun et al., 2022; Li et al., 2020a; Zhang et al., 2023) and web GUI environments (Lù et al., 2024; Zhou et al., 2023; Yao et al., 2022; Koh et al., 2024; Liu et al., 2024b). Mind2Web (Deng et al., 2024) stands out in web-based datasets with over 2,000 tasks from 137 websites across 31 domains. Advances continue into desktop GUIs with new toolkits (Zheng et al., 2024b), benchmarks (Kapoor et al., 2024; Mialon et al., 2023), and frameworks (Zheng et al., 2024a; Liu et al., 2023c; Niu et al., 2024). Research on GUI also transfers from comprehending single images in a static workspace (Hong et al., 2024) to sequential operations or multi-hop scenarios (Xie et al., 2024; Zhang et al., 2024e), challenging the understanding and operation capability of these powerful models.

6 Conclusion

In this paper, we have introduced GUI-WORLD, a comprehensive GUI-oriented video dataset designed to benchmark and enhance understanding of virtual interfaces, especially sequential and dynamic tasks. This dataset extensively covers six scenarios and various tasks, addressing the previous research gap in comprehensively evaluating models' capabilities in graphic-based understanding. We conduct extensive benchmarks on leading MLLMs and the first video-LLM-based assistant GUI-VID fine-tuned on GUI-WORLD specifically for GUI-oriented content, achieving results comparable to top-performing models, providing detailed insights into enhancing GUI-related capabilities. We believe our work offers valuable insights for future research in dynamic GUI content understanding.

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Part I

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Table 9: **Summary of main experiments and results.** *Task* and *Scenario* are two primary axes that we consider most important to show the evaluation results. The *task-specific* analysis shows performance across different capabilities such as image captioning, complex QA, and conversation; *scenario-specific* analysis evaluates performance across various application domains such as XR, iOS, etc.

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A DETAILS OF DATASET CONSTRUCTION

A.1 SIX MAIN GUI CATEGORIES

In earlier endeavors pertaining to GUI, such as those involving GUI testing (Kousar et al., 2023; Jorge et al., 2014; Kulesovs, 2015), the focus was segmented into GUIs for Website, Software, IOS and Android platforms. However, as a comprehensive GUI dataset, we include all potential GUI scenarios in our dataset to ensure that our data is the most comprehensive knowledge that the GUI agent needs to learn; we divide these scenarios into six categories:

- Android. This category focuses on the GUI scenarios that occur within the Android operating system, which is predominantly used on smartphones. Android's ubiquity in the mobile market has led to a wide variety of GUI designs and interaction patterns, making it a rich field for study. This category has been the subject of extensive scrutiny in scholarly works such as (Deka et al., 2017; Li et al., 2020a; Rawles et al., 2023; Cheng et al., 2024).
- **Software.** This category encapsulates the GUI scenarios arising within software applications, whether they are standalone programs or components of a larger suite. The diversity of software applications, from productivity tools to creative suites, offers a wide range of GUI scenarios for exploration. The literature is rich with research in this area, such as (Zhan et al., 2024).
- **Website.** This category is concerned with the GUI scenarios that manifest within a web browser. Given the ubiquity of web browsing in modern digital life, this category holds significant relevance. It holds a substantial representation in academic literature, with pioneering papers such as (Deng et al., 2024; Kapoor et al., 2024) proposing excellent GUI datasets for websites.
- IOS. This category zeroes in on the GUI scenarios that transpire within the iOS operating system, the proprietary system for Apple devices like the iPhone and iPad. The iOS platform is known for its distinct design aesthetics and interaction patterns, providing a unique context for GUI research. A number of studies, such as (Beltramelli, 2018; Yan et al., 2023) make use of GUI information in IOS.
- Multi-Windows. This category is dedicated to GUI scenarios that necessitate simultaneous interaction with multiple windows, a common occurrence in desktop environments where users often juggle between several applications or documents. Despite the common use of multi-window interaction in everyday GUI usage, there has been relatively little research into this area (Nakajima et al., 2013). The need for efficient multitasking in such scenarios presents unique challenges and opportunities for GUI design and interaction research. As of our knowledge, there are no specific datasets catering to these multi-window GUI scenarios.
- XR. XR encompasses Virtual Reality (VR), Augmented Reality (AR), and Mixed Reality (MR) (Rauschnabel et al., 2022). Given the advancements in XR technology and the growing accessibility of commercial-grade head-mounted displays (Apple, 2024; Met), XR has emerged as a novel medium for human-computer interaction. This necessitates the exploration of GUI within XR environments. In these scenarios, the GUI takes on a 3D, immersive form (Sanders et al., 2019), demanding the agent to comprehend and navigate a 3D space. The emerging field of XR presents a new frontier for GUI research, with unique challenges and opportunities due to its immersive and interactive nature. To date, as far as we are aware, there are no datasets that specifically address GUI in the realm of XR.

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Figure 9: Metadata of annotation.

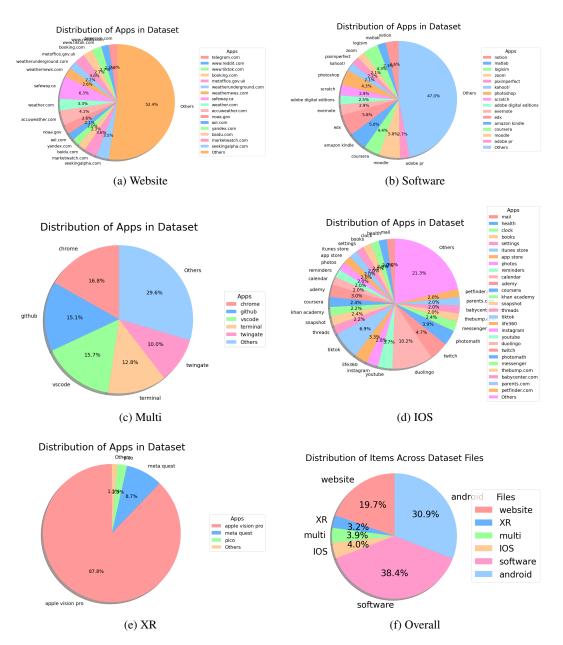


Figure 10: Detailed breakdown of each app, software, website in GUI-WORLD.

A.2 SELECTED WEBSITE/SOFTWARE

In our study, we select a diverse range of websites and software to comprehensively evaluate GUI understanding capabilities across various user scenarios. These selections cover essential categories such as social media, productivity tools, online shopping, and educational platforms, providing a broad spectrum of GUI environments.

Figure 10 shows an overall distribution and our selected app, software, and website in GUI-WORLD.

These selections ensure that our study encompasses a wide array of user interactions and GUI complexities, thereby providing a robust evaluation of the current state-of-the-art methods in GUI understanding by MLLMs and comprehensively constructing a high-quality dataset.

Table 10: Comparison of raw answer from GPT-4V and golden answer from humans.

Raw response from GPT-4V Golden answer from humans

"Q": "What subcategories are visible under the 'Lifestyle' section in the static GUI content of the video?"

"A": "In the 'Lifestyle' section of the telegram.com website, the visible subcategories are 'Worcester Living', 'Faith', and 'Food'. These are clearly displayed in a horizontal list just below the main 'Lifestyle' category header, indicating different areas of content that users can explore within the lifestyle section."

"Q": "What subcategories are visible under the 'Lifestyle' section in the static GUI content of the video?"

"A": "The 'Lifestyle' section of the telegram.com website features visible subcategories such as 'Worcester Living', 'Faith', and 'Food'. These are prominently shown in a horizontal list beneath the main 'Lifestyle' header, offering users various content areas to explore within the section."

A.3 HUMAN KEYFRAMES ANNOTATION PROCESS

Annotator's Information The annotation is conducted by 16 authors of this paper and 8 volunteers independently. As acknowledged, the diversity of annotators plays a crucial role in reducing bias and enhancing the reliability of the benchmark. These annotators have knowledge in the GUI domain, with different genders, ages, and educational backgrounds. The education backgrounds of annotators are above undergraduate. To ensure the annotators can proficiently mark the data, we provide them with detailed tutorials, teaching them how to use software to record videos or edit video clips. We also provide them with detailed criteria and task requirements in each annotation process.

Recording Video. For self-recording videos, we employ OBS³ on the Windows system for screen capturing and the official screen recording toolkit on the Mac/IOS system. This process necessitates human annotators to execute a series of targeted actions within specific websites or applications, which are subsequently captured as raw video footage. **We provide a list of software and website for each annotator to first get familiar with then record video that operating on them. For some popular software or website such as** *chrome***, we ask several annotator to record video of it. These actions, commonplace in everyday usage, enhance the reliability of our dataset. Subsequently, the raw videos are segmented into sub-videos, each encapsulating multiple actions (e.g., clicking a button) to achieve a specific objective (e.g., image search). The videos are then processed to extract keyframes annotated with detailed descriptions.**

Edition Based on YouTube Videos. For sourcing videos from YouTube, we utilize a search protocol formatted as "[website name/application name] + tutorial" to compile relevant video lists. Human annotators first review these videos to understand the primary operations they depict. These videos are then divided into sub-videos, each containing several actions directed towards a single goal (e.g., image search). Like the self-recorded footage, these segments are processed to isolate keyframes and furnish them with descriptive annotations.

Keyframes Annotation. After obtaining the GUI video clips, human annotators will filter out the keyframes of the operations based on the video content and the mouse and keyboard actions at that time. They will also label the sub-operations or targets between the two keyframes. Once the annotation is complete, the annotators will provide an overall description of the entire video, summarizing the main goal of the human operations in the video. After all the information is annotated, we will use an LLM to refine the text content, reducing any errors made by human annotators and adjusting the sentence structure. The prompt we use for the LLM to polish the human annotations is shown in Figure 11 and Figure 12.

Human-LLM Cooperated Instruction Generation. To curate and refine the golden answer of each video-instruction pair generated by GPT-4V, given that the raw response from GPT-4V may contain harmful content or hallucinations. The role of humans in the golden answer generation process is to enhance the difficulty of the questions and remove harmful and incorrect content, as shown in Table 10.

Human Verifying GPT-4V Annotated Captions. We evaluate the quality of annotations from GPT-4V by selecting 1,000 detailed descriptions and captions generated by GPT-4V, which are

³https://obsproject.com/

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then assessed by human annotators. The high satisfaction rate of 98% underscores the quality and relevance of the GPT-4V annotations.

Figure 11: The overall preview of our annotating software.

Save to JSON

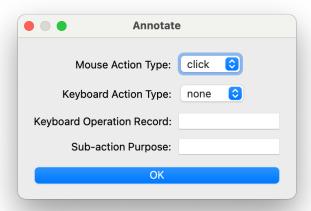


Figure 12: The interface for annotating a keyframe, consists of mouse action, keyboard action, and a short sub-action purpose.

B DATASET ANALYSIS

In this section, we provide an analysis of the length distribution of QA in each GUI scenario, as illustrated in Figure 13 and Figure 14. Questions focused on sequential and predictional tasks are slightly longer than other types, while the golden answer of static tasks tends to be longer. Length of

T.	Question	Examples
aption	Detailed Description	Q: Please provide a detailed description of what occurs throughout these sequential GUI images. A: The video shows a user taking the 16 Personalities test on a Windows desktop using the Edge browser
Cal	Summarized Caption	Q: Write a clear description of the video, make sure the key features are well covered. A: Creating a new IT team in Todoist by selecting industry, job function, role, team size, and inviting members.
0	Layout, Icon Retrieval	Q: What related searches are suggested on the right side of the Bing results for 'emnlp 2024'? A: The suggested related searches shown include 'emnlp 2024 miami', 'eacl 2024 call for papers'
Static	Textual Retrieval	Q: What is the estimated time to complete the content for Week 2 of the course? A: The estimated time to complete the content for Week 2 of the course is 1 hour
	Interrelations in GUI Content	Q: What is the name of the browser and the tab where the user performs the product search? A: The browser is Microsoft Edge, and the user performs the product search in the eBay tab.
nic —	Content Retrieval	Q: What specific action does the user take after turning their head to the left to view the left side of the page? A: After turning their head to the left to view the left side of the page, the user performs
Dynamic	Prediction	Q: Given the mouse is over 'Add NeurIPS 2024 DB Track Submission,' what's the likely next step? A: It would be to click on the 'Add NeurIPS 2024 Datasets and Benchmarks Track Submission' button
	Sequential Reasoning	Q: Scrolls down from the 'Moon Gravity', which of the following cheats? A. Change Weather B. Skyfall A: [[B]]

Table 11: Examples of diverse question types in GUI-WORLD. (T. - Type)

Question-answer pair in various GUI scenarios is similarly distributed, with questions in Android environment being slightly shorter, and answers in XR environment being longer.

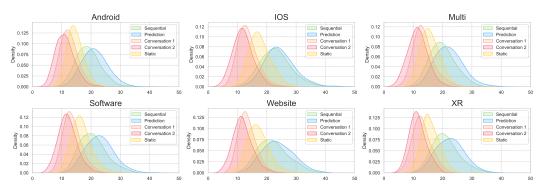


Figure 13: Length distribution of free-form questions.

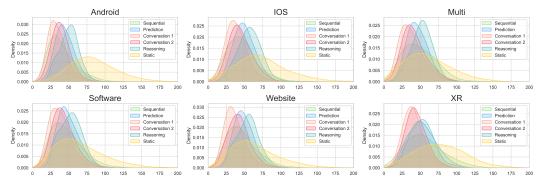


Figure 14: Length distribution of answers to free-form questions.

C DETAILS OF EXPERIMENTS SETUPS

C.1 FINE-TUNE DATASET CONSTRUCTION

We use two settings to fine-tune GUI-VID, one with video-text pairs only, and the other with video-text and image-text pairs, which are all GUI content:

- Video Only. In this setting, we only train GUI-VID with video-text pairs in GUI-WORLD, as shown in Table 12.
- Video-Image. Inspired by the pre-trained process of Videochat2, we include image-text pairs to help the visual encoder align GUI knowledge. These images are selected from our GUI-WORLD,

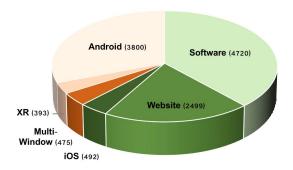


Figure 15: Statistic of different GUI scenarios in GUI-WORLD.

MetaGUI (Sun et al., 2022), and OmniAct (Kapoor et al., 2024) for high-quality GUI content. Subsequently, we use GPT-4V to generate a detailed description and a concise caption for each image. Finally, we construct a dataset consisting of video-text and image-text pairs for gaining comprehensive GUI-oriented capabilities.

Table 12: Video-only fine-tune dataset.

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Stage	Data types	Amount
1	Detailed Description Concise Caption	14,276 7,138
2	GUI VQA Multiple-Choice QA Conversation	21,414 14,276 7,138

Table 13: Video-image fine-tune dataset.

Stage	Data types	Source	Type	Amount
		Video	Detailed Description	14,276
	GUI-World	Viuco	Concise Caption	7,138
	GOI-WORLD	Imaga	Detailed Description	5,555
1		Image	Concise Caption	5,555
•	METAGUI		Detailed Description	19,626
	METAGUI	Imaga	Concise Caption	19,626
	OmniAct	Image	Detailed Description	260
	Ommaci		Concise Caption	260
			GUI VQA	21,414
2	GUI-World	Video	Multiple-Choice QA	14,276
			Conversation	7,138

C.2 Hyperparameter Settings

In this section, we will introduce the hyperparameters of MLLMs to facilitate experiment reproducibility and transparency. We divide them into three parts: the inference phase during benchmark and dataset construction, the LLM-as-a-Judge phase, and the fine-tuning phase. All our experiments were conducted on a server equipped with dual A800 and dual 4090 GPUs.

Inference. We empirically study 7 MLLMs, involving 4 Image LLMs and 3 Video LLMs, with their hyperparameters detailed as follows:

- **GPT-4V** (**OpenAI**, **2023**) & **GPT-4o** (**OpenAI**, **2024**): We set the temperature and top-p as 0.9, max-token as 2048, and both all images input are set as high quality in *Instruction Dataset Construction* and benchmarking.
- Gemini-Pro-1.5 (Team et al., 2023): We use the default settings, which set temperature as 0.4, top-p as 1, and max-token as 2048. It should be noted that during our project, Gemini-Pro-1.5 is

still under the user request limit, which only provides 100 requests per day, making our benchmark difficult. Given that Gemini hasn't launched Pay-as-you-go⁴, we will include benchmark results on 'Human' setting as soon as possible.

- Qwen-VL-Max (Bai et al., 2023): We use the default settings for Qwen-VL-Max, with top-p as 0.8 and max-token as 2048. Given that the input context window is merely 6,000 for Qwen, we scale the resolution for all images to 0.3.
- ChatUnivi (Jin et al., 2023): We use ChatUnivi-7B built upon Vicuna-v0-7B and set the max frame as 100, temperature as 0.2, and max-token as 1024.
- Minigpt4video (Ataallah et al., 2024): We use the suggested settings⁵ for this model and the max-frame are set as 45, with only the max-token being modified to 1024.
- VideoChat2 & GUI-VID (Li et al., 2023c): For a fair comparison, we set the same hyperparameters for VideoChat2 & GUI-VID. We set the max-token as 1024, top-p as 0.9, temperature as 1.0, max-frame as 8/16, repetition penalty as 1.2, and length penalty as 1.2.

LLM-as-a-Judge. We investigate four LLM-as-a-Judge in giving a similarity score for the MLLM's response and ground truth, namely GPT-4 (Achiam et al., 2023), ChatGPT (OpenAI, 2023), LLaMA-3-70b-instruct (Meta, 2023b), and Mixtral-8x22b-instruct-v0.1 (ai, 2024). Hyperparameter settings are detailed as follows:

- **GPT-4 & ChatGPT.** We set the temperature as 0.6 and others as default.
- LLaMA-3-70b-instruct. We set the temperature as 0.6, top-p as 0.9, top-k as 50.
- Mixtral-8x22b-instruct-v0.1. We set top-p as 0.7, top-k as 50, and temperature as 0.7.

Fine-tune. We include several hyperparameter settings in experiment settings and ablation studies, as shown in Table 14.

Table 14: Configuration settings for fine-tuning.

Config	Setting
input frame	8
input resolution	224
max text length	512
input modal	I. + V.
optimizer	AdamW
optimizer momentum	$\beta_1, \beta_2 = 0.9, 0.999$
weight decay	0.02
learning rate schedule	cosine decay
learning rate	2e-5
batch size	4
warmup epochs	0.6
total epochs	3
backbone drop path	0
QFormer drop path	0.1
QFormer dropout	0.1
QFormer token	96
flip augmentation	yes
augmentation	MultiScaleCrop [0.5, 1]

Table 15: Evaluating LLM-as-a-Judge as a replacement for human judging in the scoring setting.

Models	Pearson(†)	Spearman(↑)	$Kendall(\uparrow)$	$per Benchmark(\downarrow)$
GPT-4	0.856	0.853	0.793	120\$
ChatGPT	0.706	0.714	0.627	12\$
Llama-3-70b-instruct	0.774	0.772	0.684	12\$
Mixtral-8x22b-instruct-v0.1	0.759	0.760	0.670	15\$

⁴https://ai.google.dev/pricing

⁵https://github.com/Vision-CAIR/MiniGPT4-video

Table 16: Performance of GUI-VID when removing data from MetaGUI and OmniAct.

Models	Softw	are	Webs	site	XI	₹	Mu	lti	IO	S	Andı	oid	Avg	g.
	MC	Free												
VideoChat2	45.50%	2.144	42.60%	2.221	44.00%	2.005	40.40%	2.222	40.20%	2.169	44.70%	2.119	42.90%	2.147
GUI-VID	59.90%	2.847	54.10%	2.957	55.60%	2.764	52.90%	2.861	51.80%	2.773	53.40%	2.572	54.60%	2.796
GUI-VID (w.o. other data)	59.70%	2.811	57.30%	2.844	59.62%	2.853	50.00%	2.799	55.31%	2.769	57.67%	2.547	56.60%	2.767

Table 17: GUI-VID wins more user selection in GUI-related chat assistant experiment.

Scenarios	GUI-VID	Tie	VideoChat2
Software	82.7%	13.3%	4.0%
Website	86.0%	12.0%	2.0%
XR	88.0%	8.7%	3.3%
Multi	85.3%	10.0%	8.7%
IOS	92.0%	6.0%	2.0%
Android	82.0%	16.0%	2.0%
Average	86.0%	11.0%	3.7%

C.3 EVALUATION.

Given the complexity of free-form answers in GUI scenarios, the evaluation includes specific positions of GUI elements, textual content, and comparing the response to the golden answer. LLM-as-a-Judge has been widely used in previous studies for complex evaluation tasks (Zheng et al., 2023; Liu et al., 2023d). Therefore, we leverage LLM-as-a-Judge (Zheng et al., 2023) in a similar setting to MM-vet (Yu et al.), which compares the MLLM's response to the golden answer. We carefully evaluate the accessibility of leveraging LLM-as-a-Judge, selecting 1,000 samples covering 6 free-form questions mentioned in our dataset. As shown in Table 15, GPT-4 outperforms other LLMs, exhibiting a better human alignment on providing a similarity score for the response compared to the golden answer, although it is approximately 10 times more expensive than other models.

D ADDITIONAL EXPERIMENTS RESULTS

Removing Data from MetaGUI and OmniAct. As shown in Table 16, after excluding OmniAct and MetaGUI from the training data, the model showed performance decreases in certain areas while demonstrating notable improvements in others. Specifically, we observed significant enhancements in MCQA tasks and XR-related capabilities. Conversely, models trained with MetaGUI and OmniAct exhibited superior performance on general free-form questions. These experimental results validate that models trained exclusively on GUI-WORLD can achieve highly competitive performance, thereby confirming the exceptional quality of our dataset.

In this section, we first provide an ablation study on keyframe selection methods. Then, we conduct statistics and human preference experiments on correlations of GUI understanding capability to other mainstream GUI-related tasks. Furthermore, we provide detailed, performance on newly released models after our submission of the first version, followed by very detailed results on each task in each GUI scenario.

Ablation Study on Keyframe Identify Methods. Firstly, we show performance on model-based keyframe identify methods in Table 6, with details of UVD+VIP and UVD+R3M in Tables 24 and 25.

Correlation between GUI Understanding and Other Mainstream GUI Tasks. Furthermore, we conduct additional analysis and experiments to show how GUI understanding capability helps mainstream GUI-related tasks, including generating code to operate GUI (Cheng et al., 2024) and assist people through chat (Hong et al., 2024). Both demonstrate the strong correlation between GUI understanding capability and specific tasks for GUI agents.

 We compare the benchmark results on GUI-WORLD with existing benchmarks (Xie et al., 2024; Qinghong Lin et al., 2024; Liu et al., 2024c) for operating on GUI as shown in Table 18, and find

Table 18: Strong Correlation Between Our Benchmark (GUI Understanding) and Other GUI Agent Benchmarks.

Model	GUI-World	VisualAgentBench	VideoGUI	OS-World
GPT-40	1	1	1	2
GPT-4V	2	2	2	1
Gemini-1.5-Pro	3	3	3	3
Qwen-VL-Max	4	4	4	/

Table 19: The Performance of Video-LLaVA.

Scenario	MCQA	Description	Conversation	Dynamic	Static	Caption	Average
XR	0.442	1.100	2.686	2.055	1.808	1.654	2.258
Android	0.513	1.162	2.952	1.858	1.673	1.763	2.259
IOS	0.497	1.143	2.966	1.992	1.680	1.654	2.319
Multi	0.459	1.106	2.863	2.069	1.781	1.772	2.329
Website	0.524	1.183	3.059	2.102	1.736	1.371	2.410
Software	0.529	1.241	2.942	1.958	1.657	1.519	2.290
Average	0.494	1.156	2.911	2.005	1.722	1.622	2.311

that the results generally match, i.e., the stronger the understanding ability, the stronger the agent performance.

• For the definition of chat helping humans, we select 180 videos from the benchmark, choosing 30 videos for each scenario. We ask 5 human annotators to pose the question they most wanted to ask after watching each video. We then use GUI-VID, both before and after fine-tuning, to answer these questions. The human annotators who ask the questions are then asked to indicate which answer is more helpful. The results are shown in Table 17, demonstrating that models trained in GUI understanding are more favored by people when acting as GUI agents.

Performance of Newly Released Models in GUI-WORLD Test Set. We evaluate two latest models, LLaVA-Next-Video-7B-DPO (Liu et al., 2024a) and Video-LLaVA (Lin et al., 2023a). We show their performance in Tables 20 and 19. Our model outperforms these in most tasks, except conversation, likely due to their use of DPO during training.

Performance on MV-Bench. We conducted evaluations on MVBench (Li et al., 2023c) across four models, as shown in Table 21. While our model showed some performance degradation compared to the original model, it still significantly outperformed the other two baseline models. We would like to note that the primary purpose of training GUI-VID was to demonstrate the effectiveness of our dataset, rather than achieving state-of-the-art performance. Therefore, we did not employ the strongest baseline model or optimal training methodologies, which may have contributed to some catastrophic forgetting. However, given that GUI-VID is specifically designed for GUI-related tasks, we believe this performance trade-off is acceptable within our research context.

Performance on Mind2Web-Multimodal. We evaluated our model on the Mind2Web-Multimodal dataset (Deng et al., 2024) to demonstrate the effectiveness of fine-tuning on GUI-WORLD. Mind2Web-Multimodal is a multiple-choice GUI benchmark that assesses GUI operation capabilities, where each sample comprises an image, a task description, and response options. Our evaluation included four experimental settings: zero-shot inference using both VideoChat2 and GUI-VID, as well as versions of these models fine-tuned on Mind2Web-Multimodal. We conducted the fine-tuning process for 3 epochs. As shown in Tables 22 and 23, fine-tuning on GUI-WORLD enhances the models' GUI understanding capabilities and improves their performance on operational benchmarks.

Additional Experiment Results on GUI-WORLD. For captioning tasks, Table 26 shows comprehensive experimental results among six scenarios. For scores of LLM-as-a-Judge in a specific task, see Tables 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31. For performance in fine-grain (application level), see Figure 16 for Gemini-Pro and Figure 17 for Qwen-VL-Max.

Table 20: LLaVA-Next-Video-7B-DPO Performance

Scenarios	MCQA	Description	Conversation	Dynamic	Static	Caption	Average
XR	0.596	1.867	3.123	2.580	2.147	1.987	2.709
Android	0.243	1.675	3.338	2.360	1.980	2.189	2.675
IOS	0.581	1.762	3.229	2.536	2.051	2.017	2.717
Multi	0.355	1.069	2.982	2.437	1.870	2.541	2.541
Website	0.484	1.729	3.123	2.422	1.854	2.004	2.588
Software	0.569	1.762	3.220	2.448	1.868	2.149	2.641
Average	0.471	1.644	3.169	2.464	1.961	2.148	2.645

Table 21: GUI-VID outperforms two mainstream Video LLMs, while slightly lagging behind VideoChat2 on MVBench.

Category	VideoChat2	GUI-VID	VideoLLaMA	VideoChatGPT
Action Prediction	47.5	39.0	25.5	26.0
Unexpected Action	60.0	57.0	39.0	26.5
Object Existence	58.0	54.0	48.0	54.0
Object Interaction	71.5	51.0	40.5	28.0
Object Shuffle	41.0	30.5	38.0	40.0
Moving Direction	23.0	21.0	22.5	23.0
Action Localization	23.0	30.5	22.5	20.0
Scene Transition	88.0	65.5	43.0	31.0
Action Count	39.5	34.5	34.0	30.5
Moving Count	42.0	29.0	22.5	25.5
Moving Attribute	58.5	53.5	32.5	39.5
State Change	44.5	41.0	45.5	48.5
Character Order	36.5	39.0	32.5	29.0
Egocentric Navigation	35.0	34.0	40.0	33.0
Episodic Reasoning	38.5	37.0	30.0	29.5
Average	47.1	41.1	34.4	32.3

E PROMPTS

In this section, we provide detailed prompts for models and human annotators. Figure 19 shows the guideline of human annotation, and Figure 18 shows the prompt for leveraging LLMs to refine grammarly mistakes and polish sentence for human annotations. Figures 20, 21, and 22 present the prompt for Human-MLLM collaboration method to generate GUI-orientaed tasks. Figure 23 illustrate the prompt for benchmarking MLLMs, different GUI scenarios and different QA type has different prompt. Figure 24 presents the prompt for free-form QA using LLM-as-a-Judge. Figure 25 presents the prompt for multiple-choice QA.

Table 22: Performance of 4 settings in test domain subset of Mind2web-Multimodal.

Catalana	Zeros	Shot	Fine-tuned		
Category	VideoChat2	GUI-VID	VideoChat2	GUI-VID	
Cooking	21.28%	23.40%	23.40%	26.24%	
Education	17.61%	16.61%	24.92%	28.24%	
Finance	26.02%	29.59%	26.02%	32.65%	
Government	18.80%	18.28%	26.89%	27.42%	
Health	17.08%	17.37%	22.58%	26.48%	
Home service	19.08%	20.14%	21.55%	28.27%	
Housing	12.21%	14.13%	18.20%	21.84%	
Job	16.25%	18.00%	20.00%	20.25%	
Moving	14.36%	17.44%	20.00%	24.62%	
Pet	14.05%	17.97%	21.57%	21.24%	
Shipping	13.42%	12.99%	20.78%	20.34%	
Social media	22.15%	24.37%	22.78%	29.43%	
Weather	27.14%	22.14%	26.43%	20.00%	
Overall	17.53%	18.59%	22.37%	25.14%	

Table 23: Performance of 4 settings in test website subset of Mind2web-Multimodal.

Cotogony	ZeroS	Shot	Fine-tuned		
Category	VideoChat2	GUI-VID	VideoChat2	GUI-VID	
Auto	20.00%	16.00%	19.00%	18.00%	
Department	9.52%	11.90%	14.29%	16.67%	
Digital	19.73%	19.73%	15.65%	20.41%	
Event	34.65%	25.74%	21.78%	22.77%	
General	18.32%	18.85%	17.80%	20.94%	
Music	16.67%	15.66%	21.69%	24.10%	
Other	17.81%	21.92%	27.40%	35.62%	
Restaurant	10.70%	14.44%	17.65%	16.58%	
Sports	16.98%	18.87%	20.75%	26.42%	
Overall	17.94%	17.96%	18.84%	21.20%	

Table 24: Detailed Performance of GPT-40 using UVD+ViP Keyframe Identification Method.

Scenario	MCQA	Description	Conversation	Dynamic	Static	Caption	Average
Software	86.2%	3.297	4.282	3.354	3.478	4.112	3.749
Website	82.0%	3.248	4.155	3.415	3.567	4.074	3.744
XR	84.2%	2.980	3.775	3.034	3.122	3.587	3.347
Multi	82.1%	3.391	4.165	3.466	3.404	3.868	3.659
IOS	86.0%	3.157	4.017	3.353	3.492	4.050	3.648
Mobile	80.7%	2.827	3.871	2.970	3.014	3.844	3.340
Average	83.5%	3.150	4.044	3.265	3.346	3.923	3.581

Table 25: Detailed Performance of GPT-40 using UVD+R3M Keyframe Identification Method.

Scenario	MCQA	Description	Conversation	Dynamic	Static	Caption	Average
Software	85.8%	3.290	4.273	3.352	3.458	4.134	3.741
Website	82.7%	3.282	4.114	3.460	3.591	4.065	3.746
XR	87.7%	3.010	3.861	3.142	3.161	3.600	3.433
Multi	83.6%	3.237	4.129	3.503	3.417	3.897	3.737
IOS	86.4%	3.165	4.094	3.328	3.480	4.078	3.663
Android	80.6%	2.835	3.876	2.968	3.072	3.865	3.353
Average	84.5%	3.136	4.058	3.292	3.363	3.940	3.612

Table 26: Scores of Caption (Cap.) and Description (Des.) tasks in six GUI scenarios.

Models	Setting	Soft	ware	Web	site	X	R	Μι	ulti	IC	OS	And	lroid	Av	vg.
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Gemini-Pro-1.5	R.	3.659	2.837	3.613	2.860	2.995	2.590	3.276	2.470	3.678	2.936	-	-	3.444	2.739
Gennin-F10-1.3	E.	3.350	2.468	3.159	2.422	2.837	2.279	2.824	2.109	3.394	2.519	3.185	2.312	3.125	2.351
	R.	2.381	1.758	2.326	1.681	2.172	1.772	2.035	1.463	2.513	1.662	2.141	1.565	2.261	1.650
Qwen-VL-Max	E.	2.459	1.693	2.317	1.599	2.167	1.638	2.190	1.438	2.189	1.615	2.002	1.429	2.221	1.569
	H.	2.474	1.711	2.457	1.698	2.383	1.777	1.910	1.346	2.577	1.795	2.474	1.711	2.360	1.665
	R.	3.579	2.676	3.612	2.699	2.975	2.525	3.281	2.661	3.757	2.775	3.655	2.755	3.479	2.682
GPT-4V	E.	3.141	2.301	3.293	2.380	2.471	2.085	3.063	2.324	3.624	2.611	3.201	2.312	3.132	2.335
	H.	3.352	2.509	3.702	2.750	3.050	3.556	3.524	2.673	3.670	2.588	-	-	3.460	2.614
GPT-4o	H.	4.048	3.028	4.067	3.233	3.398	2.729	3.869	3.111	4.014	2.993	4.071	3.095	3.911	3.869
ChatUnivi	-	1.587	1.240	1.569	1.254	1.417	1.148	1.575	1.267	1.480	1.146	1.778	1.249	1.568	1.217
Minigpt4Video	-	1.246	1.073	1.200	1.057	1.320	1.106	1.130	1.034	1.190	1.076	1.184	1.061	1.212	1.068
VideoChat2	-	1.992	1.312	1.817	1.307	1.838	1.426	2.222	1.433	2.169	1.270	2.119	1.294	1.900	1.340
GUI-VID	-	3.562	2.085	3.655	2.167	3.747	2.153	3.370	1.742	3.566	2.071	2.662	1.248	3.427	1.911

Table 27: Detailed scores for each tasks in Website scenarios.

Models	Setting	Static	Sequential	Prediction	Conversation1	Conversation2	Average
Gemini-Pro-1.5	R. E.	3.279 2.983	3.050 2.491	3.560 3.432	3.579 3.405	3.796 3.760	3.452 3.215
	R.	2.317	2.271	2.802	2.995	3.069	2.656
Qwen-VL-Max	Е. Н.	2.256 2.308	2.198 2.078	2.821 2.832	2.861 3.061	3.144 3.358	2.627 2.698
	R.	3.461	3.214	3.754	3.778	4.029	3.648
CDT AV	Е. Н.	3.197 3.498	2.808 3.255	3.487 3.727	3.717 3.731	3.954 4.061	3.433 3.655
GPT-4V	C.C. D.C.	1.746 2.704	2.738 2.917	3.645 3.686	3.363 3.680	3.632 3.901	3.025 3.380
	H.+D.C.	3.313	3.221	3.852	3.850	4.171	3.682
GPT-40	H.	3.443	3.373	3.672	4.086	4.122	3.740
ChatUnivi	-	1.701	1.668	2.524	2.514	3.338	2.349
Minigpt4Video VideoChat2	-	1.309 1.771	1.233 1.777	1.766 2.288	1.439 2.461	1.854 2.812	1.520 2.221
GUI-VID	-	2.406	2.341	3.544	3.135	3.355	2.957

Table 28: Detailed scores for each tasks in **XR** scenarios.

Models	Setting	Static	Sequential	Prediction	Conversation1	Conversation2	Average
Gemini-Pro-1.5	R.	2.892	2.505	3.543	3.222	3.611	3.154
	E.	2.814	2.163	3.510	3.108	3.455	3.006
Qwen-VL-Max	R.	2.047	1.968	2.712	2.879	3.132	2.469
	E.	2.125	1.973	2.658	2.760	3.029	2.499
	H.	1.886	1.920	2.656	2.727	3.012	2.373
GPT-4V	R.	2.934	2.668	3.392	3.291	3.714	3.200
	E.	2.222	2.153	3.310	3.151	3.618	2.892
	H.	2.893	2.778	3.538	3.364	3.747	3.265
	C.C.	1.744	2.412	3.327	3.080	3.485	2.809
	D.C.	2.427	2.409	3.518	3.176	3.749	3.056
	H.+D.C.	2.775	2.635	3.580	3.235	3.734	3.191
GPT-40	H.	2.871	2.745	3.370	3.596	3.836	3.285
ChatUnivi	-	1.660	1.420	2.205	2.250	3.270	2.161
Minigpt4Video	-	1.225	1.161	1.610	1.347	1.465	1.362
VideoChat2	-	1.654	1.547	2.192	2.099	2.529	2.005
GUI-VID	-	2.444	2.147	3.347	2.836	3.036	2.764

Table 29: Detailed scores for each tasks in Multi-windows scenarios.

Models	Setting	Static	Sequential	Prediction	Conversation1	Conversation2	Average
Gemini-Pro-1.5	R.	2.538	2.410	3.296	3.152	3.402	2.959
	E.	2.545	2.049	2.972	2.930	3.389	2.777
Qwen-VL-Max	R.	1.793	1.872	2.770	2.897	3.122	2.432
	E.	1.866	1.780	2.730	2.627	3.105	2.362
	H.	1.884	1.969	2.913	2.689	3.104	2.490
GPT-4V	R.	3.185	2.655	3.745	3.699	3.973	3.452
	E.	2.902	2.406	3.636	3.420	3.729	3.219
	H.	3.000	2.952	3.801	3.597	3.889	3.449
	C.C.	2.097	2.973	3.774	3.331	3.621	3.160
	D.C.	2.671	2.979	3.849	3.466	3.822	3.358
	H.+D.C.	3.037	3.162	4.079	3.748	4.036	3.617
GPT-40	H.	3.108	3.106	3.829	4.043	4.188	3.654
ChatUnivi Minigpt4Video VideoChat2 GUI-VID	- - -	1.658 1.205 1.754 2.485	1.623 1.186 1.774 2.067	2.514 1.690 2.479 3.537	2.384 1.400 2.420 2.954	3.199 1.801 2.699 3.247	2.275 1.457 2.222 2.861

Table 30: Detailed scores for each tasks in **IOS** scenarios.

Models	Setting	Static	Sequential	Prediction	Conversation1	Conversation2	Average
Gemini-Pro-1.5	R. E.	3.076 2.852	2.637 2.356	3.370 3.137	3.366 3.126	3.615 3.566	3.213 3.007
Qwen-VL-Max	R. E. H.	2.438 2.303 1.884	2.244 2.150 1.969	2.923 2.614 2.913	3.102 3.145 2.689	3.273 3.264 3.104	2.779 2.659 2.490
GPT-4V	R. E. H. C.C. D.C. H.+D.C.	3.364 3.209 3.107 1.788 2.751 3.090	3.080 2.774 2.830 2.291 2.732 2.965	3.684 3.545 3.631 3.511 3.654 3.740	3.766 3.611 3.680 3.212 3.642 3.786	4.184 4.006 4.011 3.542 3.842 3.994	3.614 3.427 3.453 2.868 3.324 3.516
GPT-4o	H.	3.183	2.993	3.460	4.050	4.141	3.558
ChatUnivi Minigpt4Video VideoChat2	- - -	1.771 1.291 1.955 2.262	1.642 1.219 1.803 2.133	2.408 1.698 2.145 3.401	2.559 1.556 2.315 2.843	3.307 1.737 2.626 3.224	2.337 1.501 2.169 2.773

Models	Setting	Static	Sequential	Prediction	Conversation1	Conversation2	Average
Gemini-Pro-1.5	E.	2.703	2.460	3.157	3.642	3.881	3.168
Qwen-VL-Max	R. E.	1.887 1.785	1.804 1.630	2.398 2.311	2.823 2.605	3.056 3.233	2.309 2.277
GPT-4V	R. E. C.C. D.C.	3.116 2.705 2.092 3.015	3.047 2.470 2.243 2.890	3.477 3.175 3.139 3.357	3.924 3.647 3.443 3.883	4.008 3.885 3.782 3.990	3.515 3.176 2.939 3.427
GPT-40	H.	3.057	3.220	3.373	3.981	4.186	3.561
ChatUnivi Minigpt4Video VideoChat2	- - -	1.835 1.183 1.732	1.654 1.159 1.754	2.317 1.507 2.125	2.712 1.342 2.340	3.433 1.521 2.645	2.390 1.342 2.119
GUI-VID	-	2.010	1.928	3.053	2.755	3.105	2.572

Table 31: Detailed scores for each tasks in **Android** scenarios.

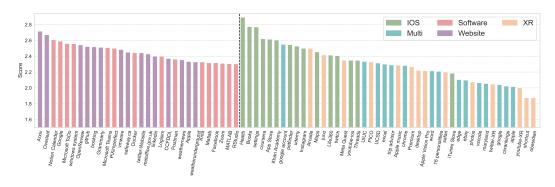


Figure 16: Fine-grained performance of Gemini-Pro-1.5 in each software and website.

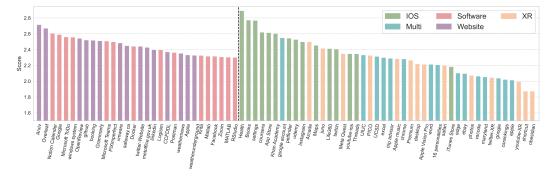


Figure 17: Fine-grained performance of Qwen-VL-Max in each software and website.

Refining Human Annotation on Goal and Sub-goal

As an expert in English, please refine the following English instructions (or objectives) into a polished phrase or a concise sentence.

Avoid including irrelevant content and provide the polished output directly.

Here is the English sentence: {string}

Figure 18: Refining Human Annotation on Goal and Sub-goal.

Guideline for Human Annotation

Main Interface

- 1. Video List Panel (Left Panel): Displays a list of loaded video files. Each video file is shown with its name for identification.
- 2. Video Display Area (Center Panel): Shows the currently selected video for playback and annotation.
- 3. Control Settings (Right Panel):

Operating System: Select the operating system of the machine where the video was recorded.

Full Screen: Toggle full screen mode for the video display.

Multi-application?: Indicate if multiple applications in the video. Application/Website: Enter the name of the application or website being used in the video.

User Goal: Enter the goal of the user performing the annotation.

4. Playback and Annotation Controls (Bottom Panel)

Annotate: Open a annotation window to add a new keyframe annotation.

Play: Starts or pauses the video playback.

Load Video: Allows you to load a single video file.

Load Video Folder: Allows to load multiple video files from a folder.

Previous Video / Next Video: Navigate through the loaded video files.

Save to JSON: Save the annotations in a JSON format.

Annotation Window

- 1. Mouse Action: Select a type of mouse action (e.g. click, draq).
- 2. Keyboard Action: Select the type of keyboard action (e.g., typing, key press).
- 3. Keyboard Operation Record: Enter details of the keyboard operation, if any.
- 4. sub-action Purpose: Describe the purpose of the action being annotated.

How to Use

Loading Videos

1. Load Multiple Videos

Click on the Load Video Folder button.

Select the folder containing your video files.

All video files in the folder will be loaded and listed in the Video List Panel.

Playing Videos

Select a video from the Video List Panel. Click the Play button to start or pause the video.

Annotating Videos

1. Start Annotation

Pause the video at the desired frame.

Click the Annotate button to open the annotation window.

2. Annotation Window

Select the Mouse Action Type and Keyboard Action Type from the dropdown menus.

If there is a keyboard action, enter the details in the Keyboard Operation Record field.

Describe the action's purpose in the Sub-action Purpose field. Click OK to save the annotation.

Saving Annotations

Once all annotations are completed, click the Save to JSON button.

Figure 19: Guideline for Human Annotation.

(Part 1) GPT-4V Generating GUI-oriented Tasks

You are an AI visual assistant. This is a video of a mobile GUI, which I've divided into multiple frames and sent to you. Please provide a detailed description of what occurs throughout the entire video, focusing on the changes in the GUI elements or scenes rather than static aspects of a single frame. The detailed description should be placed under the key 'Description'. Based on your description, please design the following tasks: Generate a precise caption for the video. This caption should encapsulate the main activities or changes observed throughout the video sequence. Place this caption under the key 'Caption'. Create a free-form QA question related to the video's static GUI content, along with its answer. The question should delve into the details or changes in the static GUI elements or scenes captured in the video. The QA task should be nested under the key Static QA, with 'Question' and 'Answer' as subkeys. Develop a multiple-choice QA question about the video, with four options: one correct answer and three incorrect or irrelevant options. This task should assess the understanding of specific elements retieval or changes depicted in the video. Structure this task under the key MCQA, with 'Question' detailing the query, 'Options' listing the four choices including one correct answer, and 'Correct Answer' specifying the correct option, denoted, for example, as {[[B]]}. Here are some key information of the video to help you understand the video comprehensively: System: {item['system']} Application: {item['app']} Summary of the video: {item['goal']} Key Operation/Sub goal in the video: {[i['sub_goal'] for i in item['keyframes']]} Notice: Ensure that the questions you design for these tasks are answerable and the answers can be deduced from the GUI video content. The answerable question should be designed as difficult as possible. The tasks should be unambiguous and the answers must be definitively correct based on your understanding of the video content. Only include questions that have definite answers: (1) one can see the content in the image that the question asks about and can answer confidently; (2) one can determine confidently from the image that it is not in the image. Do not ask any question that cannot be answered confidently. Each of these tasks should focus on the dynamic aspect of the GUI elements or scenes. Provide detailed answers when answering complex questions. For example, give detailed examples or reasoning steps to make the content more convincing and well-organized. The answers should be in a tone that a visual AI assistant is seeing the image and answering the question. For the free-form QA tasks, please ensure that the answers are as detailed and lengthy as possible, with no concern for length. You can include multiple paragraphs if necessary to provide a comprehensive and thorough response. Please structure your response using JSON format and specific keys mentioned in the task requirements.

Figure 20: (Part 1) GPT-4V Generating GUI-oriented Tasks.

(Part 2) GPT-4V Generating GUI-oriented Tasks.

You are an AI visual assistant. This is a video of a <Scene Name> GUI, which I've divided into multiple frames and sent to you. Please provide a detailed description of what occurs throughout the entire video, focusing on the changes in the GUI elements or scenes rather than static aspects of a single frame. The detailed description should be placed under the key 'Description'. Based on your description, please design the following tasks:

A Sequential QA task: Design a question that requires understanding the sequence of GUI element changes or scene transformations in the video. The question should be free-form and necessitate the use of temporal information from the sequential images. The task should be structured under the key Sequential-QA with subkeys 'Question' and 'Answer'.

A Next Stage Prediction task: Formulate a question that asks about the subsequent state or event following a certain frame in the video. The question should be designed in a free-form manner and predict future GUI elements or scene changes, structured under the key Prediction with subkeys 'Question' and 'Answer'.

A two-round dialogue task: Create a dialogue with two rounds of interaction. The first round includes a user instruction and an assistant response, and the second round's user instruction should be based on the response from the first round. Both rounds should be free-form and nested under the key Conversation, with subkeys 'User 1', 'Assistant 1', 'User 2', and 'Assistant 2'.

A reasoning task: Design a multi-choice QA task that requires reasoning to identify the correct answer from four options. This task should test the reasoning ability to infer or deduce information that is not explicitly provided. It should be structured under the key Reasoning, with subkeys 'Question', 'Options', and 'Correct Answer'.

Here are some key information of the video to help you understand the video comprehensively:

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System: {item['system']}
Application: {item['app']}
Summary of the video: {item['goal']}
Key Operation/Sub goal in the video: {[i['sub_goal'] for i in item['keyframes']]}
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Figure 21: (Part 2) GPT-4V Generating GUI-oriented Tasks.

(Part 3) GPT-4V Generating GUI-oriented Tasks.

Notice: Ensure that the questions you design for these tasks are answerable and the answers can be deduced from the GUI video content. The answerable question should be designed as difficult as possible. The tasks should be unambiguous and the answers must be definitively correct based on your understanding of the video content. Only include questions that have definite answers: (1) one can see the content in the image that the question asks about and can answer confidently; (2) one can determine confidently from the image that it is not in the image. Do not ask any question that cannot be answered confidently. Each of these tasks should focus on the dynamic aspect of the GUI elements or scenes, with each answerable task as difficult as possible. Provide detailed answers when answering complex questions. For example, give detailed examples or reasoning steps to make the content more convincing and well-organized. The answers should be in a tone that a visual AI assistant is seeing the image and answering the question. For the free-form QA tasks, please ensure that the answers are as detailed and lengthy as possible, with no concern for

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Figure 22: (Part 3) GPT-4V Generating GUI-oriented Tasks.

Prompts for Benchmarking MLLMs

- "XR": "You are an AI visual assistant. Here are sequential images of Mixed-Reality combining GUI interface and real world, which are selected from a GUI video.",
- "software": "You are an AI visual assistant. Here are sequential GUI interface images of a specific software, which are selected from a GUI video.",
- "website": "You are an AI visual assistant. Here are sequential GUI interface images of a desktop website, which are selected from a GUI video.",
- "mobile": "You are an AI visual assistant. Here are sequential GUI mobile interface images, which are selected from a GUI video.".
- "multi": "You are an AI visual assistant. Here are sequential GUI interface images of interaction among multiple softwares and websites, which are selected from a GUI video.",
- "IOS": "You are an AI visual assistant. Here are sequential GUI IOS interface images, which are selected from a GUI video.",
- "Sequential-QA": "This is a question about sequential information in sequential images.",
- "Prediction": "This is a question about predicting the next action base on the previous actions in the sequential images.",
- "Reasoning": "This is a multiple choice question with only one correct answer. This question may need multiple steps of reasoning according to the vision information in sequential images.",
- "Description 1": "Please give me a detail description of these sequential images.",
- "Description 2": "Offer a thorough analysis of these sequential images",
- "Caption": "Please give me a concise caption of these sequential images.",
- "static QA": "This is a question about static information such as text, icon, layout in these sequential images.",
- "MCQA": "This is a multiple choice question with only one correct answer. This question may require sequential analysis ability to the vision information in these sequential images.",
- "Conversation 1": "Act as an assistant to answer the user's question in these sequential images.",
- "Conversation 2": "This is a multi-turn conversation task. You will be provide the first round conversation and act as an assistant to answer the user's question in the second round according to these sequential images."
- Notice = "You can first provide an overall description of these sequential images, and then analyze the user's question according to the sequential images and description. Finally, give an answer based on this description and the image information. Please format your output in a JSON format, with key 'Description' for the description of these sequential images, key 'Analysis' for your analysis on the user's question and key 'Answer' for your answer to the User's question."

Figure 23: Prompts for Benchmarking MLLMs.

Prompt for LLM-as-a-Judge: Judging Free-form and Conversational Tasks

You are an impartial judge. I will provide you with a question, a 'gold standard' answer, and a response that needs evaluation. Your task is to assess the quality of the response in comparison to the 'gold standard' answer. Please adhere to the following guidelines:

- 1. Start your evaluation by comparing the response to the 'gold standard' answer. Offer a brief explanation highlighting similarities and differences, focusing on relevance, accuracy, depth, and level of detail.
- 2. Conclude your evaluation with a score from 1 to 5, where 1 indicates the response is mostly irrelevant to the 'gold standard' answer, and 5 indicates it is very similar or equivalent.
- 3. Present your findings in JSON format, using 'Evaluation' for your textual analysis and 'Score' for the numerical assessment.
- 4. Ensure objectivity in your evaluation. Avoid biases and strive for an even distribution of scores across the spectrum of quality. Your scoring must be as rigorous as possible and adhere to the following rules:
- Overall, the higher the quality of the model's response, the higher the score, with factual accuracy and meeting user needs being the most critical dimensions. These two factors largely dictate the final composite score.
- If the model's response is irrelevant to the question, contains fundamental factual errors, or generates harmful content, the total score must be 1.
- If the model's response has no severe errors and is essentially harmless, but of low quality and does not meet user needs, the total score should be 2.
- If the model's response generally meets user requirements but performs poorly in certain aspects with medium quality, the total score should be 3.
- If the model's response is close in quality to the reference answer and performs well in all dimensions, the total score should be 4.
- Only when the model's response surpasses the reference answer, fully addresses the user's problem and all needs, and nearly achieves a perfect score in all dimensions, can it receive a score between 5.
- As an example, the golden answer could receive a 4-5.

Here is the response for you to judge:

Question: {question}

Golden Answer: {golden_answer}

Response: {response}

Now, directly output your response in json format.

Figure 24: Prompt for LLM-as-a-Judge: Judging Free-form and Conversational Tasks .

Prompt for LLM-as-a-Judge: Judging Multiple-Choice QA Tasks You are a helpful assistant tasked with judging a Multiple Choice Question Answering exercise. I will provide a correct answer with only one option, and a response that requires evaluation. If the response matches the correct answer, simply output "Yes"; If it does not, output "No". Please avoid including any irrelevant information. Here are some examples: Example 1: Question: Based on the GUI video, why might the 'Loading' animation continue without reaching the next stage? A. The user has not yet entered their login credentials. B. There is a system update being installed. C. The server is taking time to authenticate the login credentials. D. The 'Log In' button is malfunctioning. Answer: C Response: C. The server is taking time to authenticate the login credentials. Output: Yes Example 2: Question: If the user wants to resume the group video call after checking messages, what action should they take? A. Turn their head to the right. B. Close the messaging app interface. C. Say a voice command to switch applications. Turn their head to the left. Answer: A Response: B Output: No Example 3: Question: What action does the user take to start playing music in the video? A. Closed the music player application B. Moved the music player to a new position C. Clicked the play button D. Adjusted the system volume Answer: [[B]] Response: C Output: No Here is the question, answer, and response for you to judge: Question: {question} Answer: {answer} Response: {response} Now, directly output "Yes" or "No".

Figure 25: Prompt for LLM-as-a-Judge: Judging Multiple-Choice QA Tasks.

F CASE STUDY

In this section, we provide detailed case studies for six GUI scenarios, each divided into two parts. The following examples show human-annotated frames and various tasks associated with them:

- Android: Figures 26 and 27.
- **IOS:** Figures 28 and 29.
- Multiple-windows Interaction: Figures 30 and 31.
- Website: Figures 34 and 35.
- **XR:** Figures 36 and 37.
- Software: Figures 32 and 33.

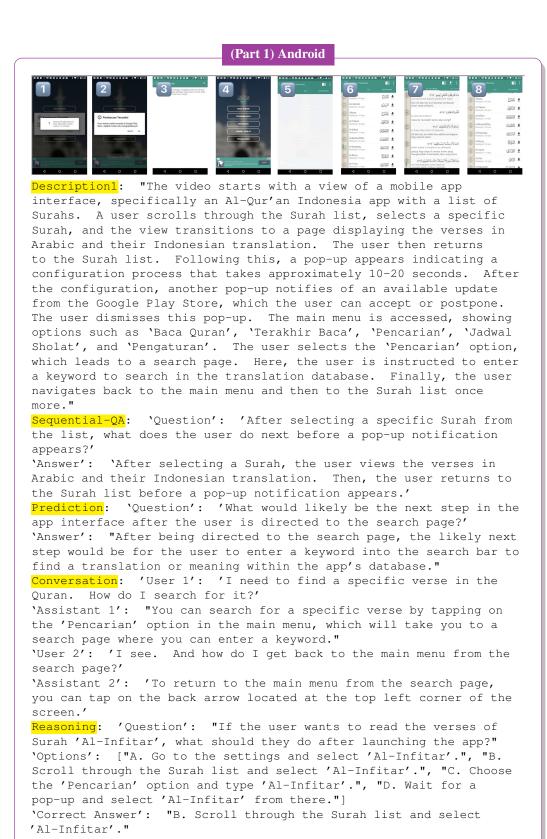


Figure 26: Case study for Android (part 1).

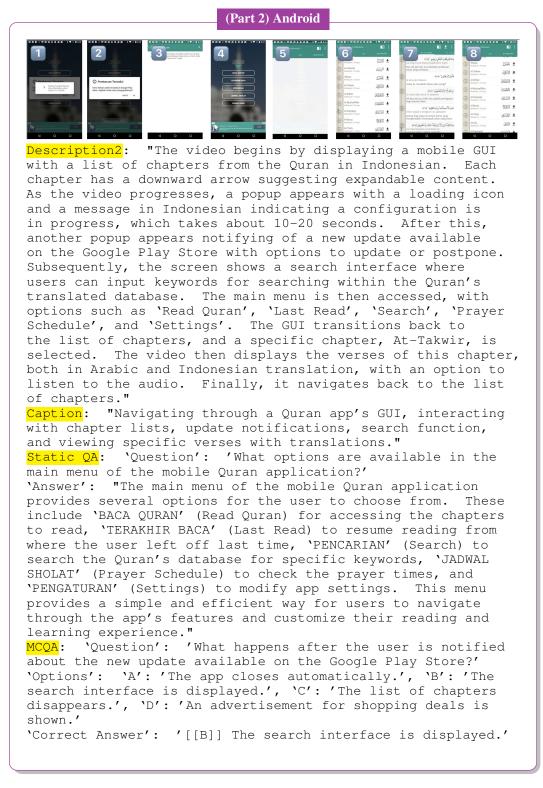


Figure 27: Case study for Android (part 2).

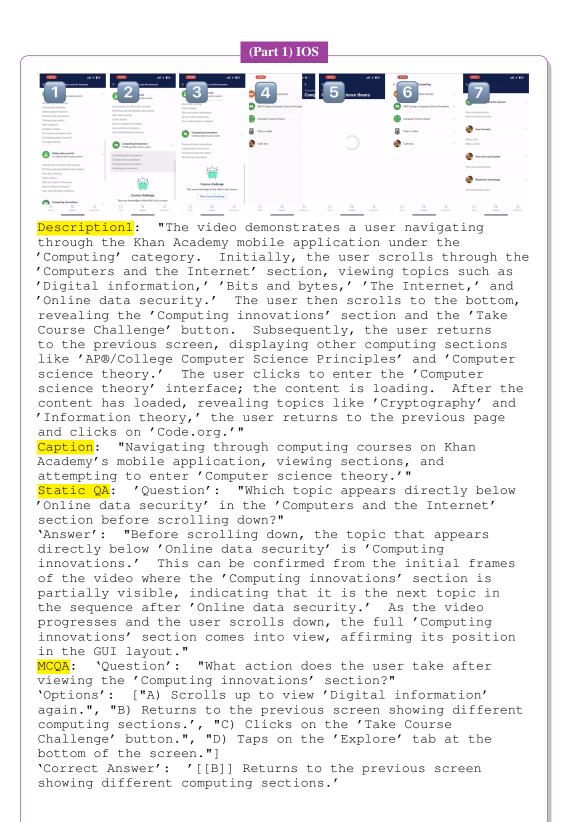


Figure 28: Case study for IOS (part 1).

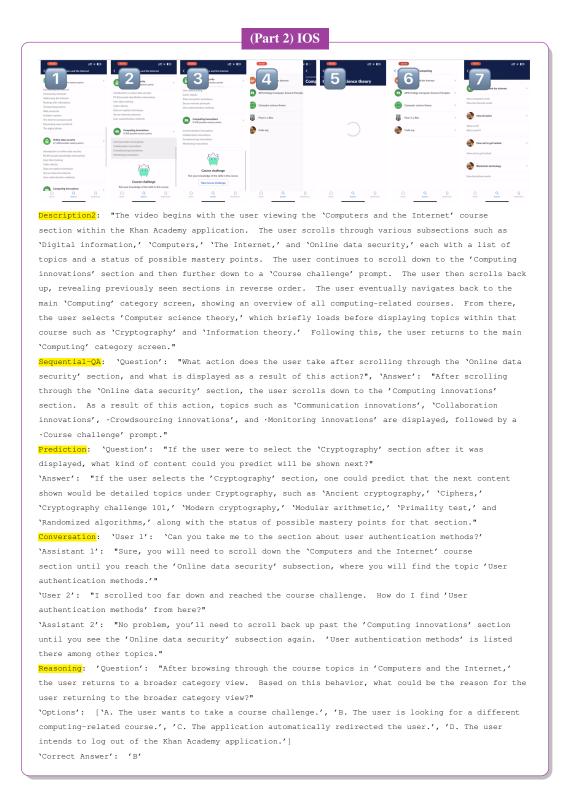


Figure 29: Case study for IOS (part 2).

(Part 1) Multiple-Windows Interaction



Description1: "The video begins with a Windows desktop displaying multiple open applications, including Steam, OBS Studio, and a web browser with NVIDIA's website loaded. The user starts by clicking on the back page of the browser, which partially obscures the OBS window. Then, the user clicks on the OBS application, bringing it to the forefront. The user minimizes OBS, followed by dragging the Steam window to the center of the screen and minimizing it as well. A new web page is opened in the Edge browser's navigation bar, and the user types 'office' into the search bar. The browser navigates to the Bing search interface, and 'office' is successfully searched."

Caption: 'Navigating and Managing Multiple Applications on Windows Including Steam, OBS Studio, and Edge Browser' Static QA: 'Question': "Which web browser is used in the video and which website is prominently featured before the search for 'office'?"

'Answer': "The web browser used in the video is Microsoft Edge. The prominently featured website before the search for 'office' is NVIDIA's official website where the 'Download Drivers' page is displayed."

MCQA: 'Question': 'What action is taken after the OBS
application is minimized?', 'Options': ['A. The Steam window
is closed.'

'B. The Steam window is moved to the center of the screen and minimized.', 'C. The Edge browser is closed.', 'D. A file is opened from the desktop.']

'Correct Answer': '[[B]] The Steam window is moved to the center of the screen and minimized.'

Figure 30: Case study for multiple-windows interaction (part 1).

(Part 2) Multiple-Windows Interaction 'Description2': "The video shows a Windows desktop with several application windows open, including Steam, OBS, and Edge. Initially, the OBS window is partially covering the Edge browser. The user clicks on the Edge browser, bringing it to the foreground, and then minimizes the OBS window, clearing the view. Next, the user moves the Steam window to the center of the screen and minimizes it as well. Afterward, the user opens a new tab in Edge and enters 'office' into the search bar, which leads to a Bing search results page for 'office'. The video ends with the user on the Bing search page with 'office' results displayed." Sequential-QA: 'Question': 'After moving the Steam window to the center, what did the user do next in the Edge browser?' 'Answer': "After moving the Steam window to the center, the user minimized the Steam application. Then, they opened a new tab in the Edge browser and entered 'office' into the search bar, which led them to the Bing search results page for 'office'." Prediction: 'Question': "What would be the likely next action the user performs after searching for 'office' on Bing?" 'Answer': "The likely next action the user would perform after searching for 'office' on Bing would be to click on one of the search results to find more information or to visit the Microsoft Office website to purchase or learn more about the office suite." Conversation: 'User 1': 'Can you minimize the OBS application for a better view of the browser?' 'Assistant 1': 'Certainly, the OBS application has been minimized, providing a clear view of the Edge browser.' 'User 2': 'Great, now can you search for Microsoft Office in the Edge browser?' 'Assistant 2': "Of course, a new tab has been opened in the Edge browser and 'office' has been entered into the search bar. The Bing

app."]
'Correct Answer': 'C'

would be their first step?'

search results for 'office' are now displayed."

Reasoning: 'Question': 'If the user needs to record gameplay footage next, which application should they interact with and what

'Options': ["A. They should open the Steam application and click on the 'STORE' tab.", "B. They should open the Edge browser and search for 'game recording software'.", "C. They should reopen the OBS application and click on the 'Start Recording' button.", "D. They should access the Windows Start menu and search for the 'Camera'

Figure 31: Case study for multiple-windows interaction (part 2).

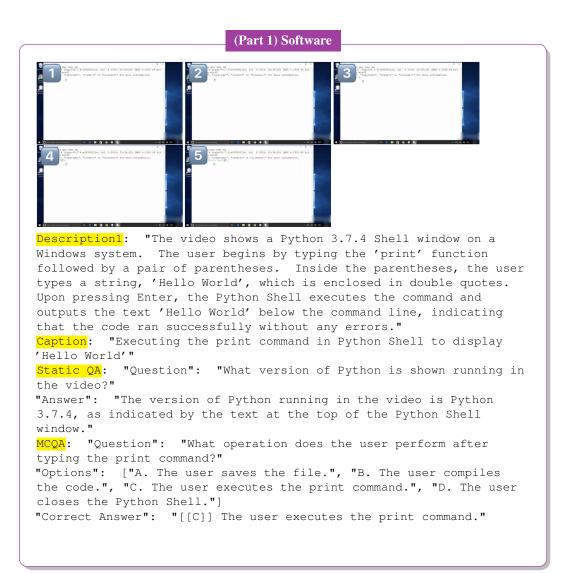


Figure 32: Case study for software (part 1).

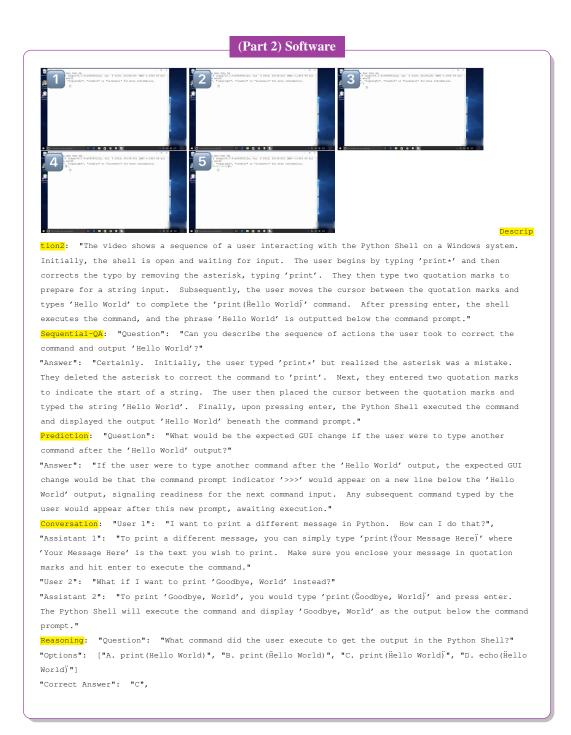


Figure 33: Case study for software (part 2).

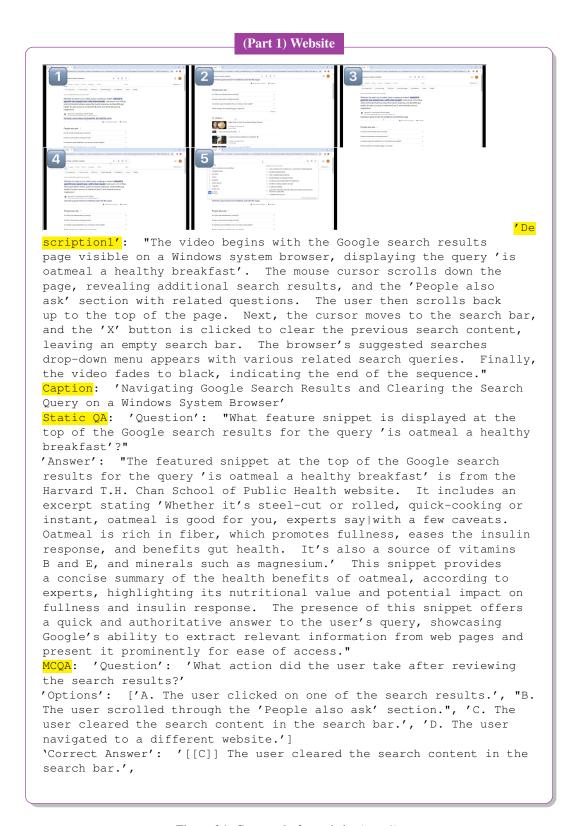


Figure 34: Case study for website (part 1).

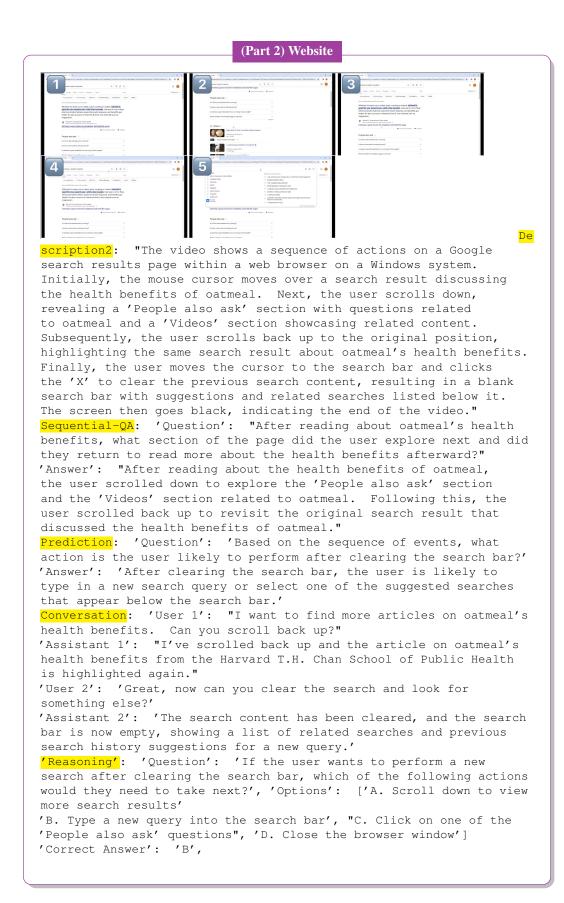


Figure 35: Case study for website (part 2).

(Part 1) XR



scription1: "The video showcases a user navigating through various pages within the Apple Vision Pro browser on a Windows system. Initially, the browser displays the start page with Favorites and Reading List. The user then turns their head to the right, which triggers the transition to view a webpage on the right side. Following this, the user pinches with both hands to exit the page and then pinches with both hands and fingers moving towards the middle to expand the browser's various pages. This reveals multiple open browser tabs side by side. The user continues to turn their head left and right to view different pages on each side. Lastly, the user selects and expands a specific tab to fill the screen, displaying its content."

Caption: 'Navigating through multiple browser pages using head
movement and hand gestures in Apple Vision Pro on Windows'
Static QA: 'Question': "What is the main category listed under the
Favorites section on the browser's start page?"

'Answer': "The main category listed under the Favorites section on the browser's start page is 'Perplexity', denoted by a unique icon, followed by other favorites like Instagram and various websites."

MCQA: 'Question': 'How does the user switch between different open tabs in the Apple Vision Pro browser?'

'Options': ['A. Using keyboard shortcuts', 'B. Turning their head left and right', 'C. Scrolling with a mouse', 'D. Typing the tab number']

'Correct Answer': '[[B]] Turning their head left and right'

Figure 36: Case study for XR (part 1).

(Part 2) XR

Description2: "The video starts with a full-screen view of a browser interface titled 'Apple Vision Pro' displaying various website thumbnails and bookmarks. The user then turns their head to the right, causing the right side of the browser to come into view. Next, the user looks at a dot at the bottom of the page and pinches with both hands, which causes the browser to exit the full-screen view and shrink to a smaller, windowed mode. The user then performs a pinching motion with both hands, bringing the fingers towards the middle, which causes the browser's various pages to expand, giving an overview of multiple open tabs. The user again turns their head to the right to view the right side page and then to the left to view the left side page. Throughout the video, the GUI elements such as tabs, the address bar, and website thumbnails respond dynamically to the user's head movements and hand gestures."

Sequential-QA: 'Question': 'What action did the user take immediately after turning their head to the right to view the right side page?'

'Answer': 'After turning their head to the right to view the right side page, the user looked at a dot at the bottom of the page and pinched with both hands, which caused the browser to exit full-screen mode and shrink to a smaller windowed interface.'

Prediction: 'Question': 'If the user pinches with both hands and moves their fingers towards the
middle after the browser shrinks to a smaller window, what will happen next?'

'Answer': "If the user pinches with both hands and moves their fingers towards the middle after the browser shrinks, the action will cause the browser's various pages to expand, providing an overview of multiple open tabs."

Conversation: 'User 1': 'How do I view all the pages I have open in the browser?'

'Assistant 1': 'You can view all the open pages by pinching with both hands and moving your fingers towards the middle. This will expand the browser and show an overview of all the open tabs.'

'User 2': 'Great, and how can I exit this overview?'

'Assistant 2': 'To exit the overview of open pages, you can look at the dot at the bottom of the page and pinch with both hands. This will exit the overview and return you to the individual page view.'

Reasoning: 'Question': 'How can the user access the options to open a new tab or window from the

current state?'
'Options': ['A. Turn their head to the left and select the plus sign.', 'B. Swipe left on the

touchpad.', 'C. Turn their head to the right and select the 'Done' button.', 'D. Pinch with both hands to exit the current view and access the toolbar.']

'Correct Answer': 'D'

Figure 37: Case study for XR (part 2).