

The supplementary material provides:

- Section A: Ablation on different values of  $k$  in Top- $k$  retrieval.
- Section B: Model Hallucination problem.
- Section C: Video LLM in text tasks.
- Section D: Video length robustness.
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## A Top K Effect

In this section, we explore how performance through accuracy is affected by the value of  $k$  for top  $k$  neighbors for the retrieval design in Section 3 of the main paper. From Table 1, we can see that the Top 3 achieved the best results for the “Vision + subtitles” experiments. By employing the general model summary, we observed that the accuracy improved when incorporating information from various neighbors. However, when this information was excessively increased, such as including data from five neighbors, the accuracy declined due to the introduction of noise from numerous incorrect details unrelated to the question. This phenomenon is evident in the first four rows.

From row 5 to 8 we can see that the accuracy decreased by increasing the number of neighbours because the related information from the wrong clips distract the model. We observe the same behavior in the “Vision Only” and “Subtitle Only” experiments.

## B Model Hallucinations

The model hallucinates in our case when the VideoLLM is asked questions unrelated to the video, so the videoLLM generates incorrect information which misguides the answer module to answer the right answer.

After retrieving the Top- $k$  clips, our goal is to filter these clips to the single correct one. Theoretically, we could prompt each retrieved clip with the query and filter for which clip produces an answer. A common problem in generative models, we find that the model hallucinates and outputs an answer instead of stating it doesn’t have the required information to answer. This issue particularly arises when the clips originate from the same episode. However, we do see that the videoLLM responding with its lack of information to answer the question if the clip is entirely unrelated to the question.

For instance, in the multi-choice questions in TVQA, if the top three retrieved clips are guaranteed that one of them is the correct clip and the other two clips are incorrect, when using the VideoLLM with the wrong clip it will choose a wrong choice and when feeding the other wrong one, it will choose another wrong choice, and when using the correct clip, it may choose the correct choice based on the correct video content or may choose the wrong choice. In both cases the answer module will see the context information has three choices and this

**Table 1:** Effect of the number of neighbors on TVQA. Where model summary is the summary generated by the video descriptor and the Q\_related\_info is the new summary that is related to the question

Model Variations	GPT-4 Accuracy (%)	GPT-4 Score
<b>Vision + Subtitles</b>		
Top 1 (Model Summary + Subtitles)	40.66	3.17
Top 2 (Model Summary + Subtitles)	40.89	3.20
Top 3 (Model Summary + Subtitles)	41.78	3.21
Top 5 (Model Summary + Subtitles)	40.12	3.01
Top 1 (Model Summary + Subtitles + Q_related_info)	29.00	2.75
Top 2 (Model Summary + Subtitles + Q_related_info)	28.12	2.71
Top 3 (Model Summary + Subtitles + Q_related_info)	27.72	2.69
<b>Vision Only</b>		
Top 1 (Model Summary)	26.97	2.77
Top 2 (Model Summary)	27.72	2.77
Top 3 (Model Summary)	28.61	2.78
Top 5 (Model Summary)	27.63	2.67
Top 1 (Model Summary + Q_related_Info)	27.83	2.62
Top 2 (Model Summary + Q_related_Info)	26.45	2.63
Top 3 (Model Summary + Q_related_Info)	26.59	2.61
<b>Subtitles Only</b>		
Top 1 (Subtitles)	40.23	3.15
Top 2 (Subtitles)	41.61	3.20
Top 3 (Subtitles)	41.80	3.22
Top 5 (Subtitles)	39.83	3.02

distracts it from answering correctly even if one of them is the correct answer as evidenced by the table 2. the accuracy dropped by around 14 % in the vision and subtitles and dropped by 2 % in the vision only.

**Table 2:** Effect of model hallucination. Where the model summary is the summary generated by the video descriptor and the Q\_related\_info is the new summary that is related to the question.

Model Variations	GPT-4 Accuracy (%)	GPT-4 Score
<b>Vision + Subtitles</b>		
Top 3 (Model Summary + Subtitles)	41.78	3.21
Top 3 (Model Summary + Subtitles + Q_related_info)	27.72	2.69
<b>Vision Only</b>		
Top 3 (Model Summary)	28.61	2.78
Top 3 (Model Summary + Q_related_Info)	26.59	2.61

## C MiniGPT4-video in Text Tasks

Here, we will see how the fine-tuned version of Llama 2 (our MiniGPT4-video) performs compared to the original Llama2 in the text tasks. We used MiniGPT4-

video as an answer module in the Goldfish system. We can tell from the table 3 that MiniGPT4-video has lost some text skills during vision tasks fine-tuning, so we decided to use the original Llama to get the best performance.

**Table 3:** Ablation about answer module LLM

Top 3 (Model Summary + Subtitles)	GPT-4 Accuracy (%)	GPT-4 Score
Goldfish with MiniGPT4-video as answer module	35.07	2.93
Goldfish with original Llama2 as answer module	41.78	3.21

## D Video Length Robustness.

To evaluate our framework’s robustness with extended video lengths, we created three versions of the TVQA dataset by altering the aggregation window. This window compiles long videos from ground-truth short clips that include the answer to a question. Specifically, we combined 5, 10, and 20 clips to produce videos that average between 6, 12, and 24 minutes, respectively. Table 4 illustrates that our framework maintains its robustness regardless of video length, with both retrieval performance and overall accuracy remaining consistent even as video duration increases. These results, detailed in Table 4, are based on an analysis of 5% of the TVQA validation set.

**Table 4:** Ablation study about the video length impact on 5% of TVQA validation set.

Video Length	Retrieval Acc.	Overall Acc.
5-6 Min	60.2	40.8
10-12 Min	60.2	41.3
20-30 Min	60.2	40.8

## E Prompts Details

**Evaluation prompts.** We followed the same evaluation setting in videochatgpt [2]. The {question}, {answer}, and {pred} correspond to the question, the ground truth answer, and the model prediction, respectively, in the prompt. The **System prompt** is as follows:

You are an intelligent chatbot designed for evaluating the correctness of generative outputs for question-answer pairs. Your task is to compare the predicted answer with the correct answer and determine if they match meaningfully. Here’s how you can accomplish the task:

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Focus on the meaningful match between the predicted answer and the correct answer.
- Consider synonyms or paraphrases as valid matches.
- Evaluate the correctness of the prediction compared to the answer.

User prompt:

Please evaluate the following video-based question-answer pair:

Question: {question}  
 Correct Answer: {answer}  
 Predicted Answer: {pred}

Provide your evaluation only as a yes/no and score where the score is an integer value between 0 and 5, with 5 indicating the highest meaningful match. Please generate the response in the form of a Python dictionary string with keys 'pred' and 'score', where the value of 'pred' is a string of 'yes' or 'no' and the value of 'score' is an INTEGER, not STRING. DO NOT PROVIDE ANY OTHER OUTPUT TEXT OR EXPLANATION. Only provide the Python dictionary string. For example, your response should look like this: {'pred': 'yes', 'score': 4.8}.

**Summary prompts.** Below is the summary prompt to obtain the vision summary of the clip:

Generate a description of this video. Pay close attention to the objects, actions, emotions portrayed in the video, providing a vivid description of key moments. Specify any visual cues or elements that stand out.

**Extract the related information prompt :** In the multi-choice questions, we added the choice “*I don’t know*” as the fifth choice, and the {question} is a placeholder for the question itself in the prompt. The prompt is as follows:

From this video extract the related information to This multichioce question and provide an explanation for your answer and If you don’t know the answer, say 'I DON'T KNOW' as option 5 because maybe the questoin is not related to the video content. the question is: {question} your answer:

## F Implementation Details

Our models are trained with 4 A100 GPUs. The training process involved three distinct stages, with specific durations allocated to each. The initial stage focused on image-text training and spanned a period of two days. Subsequently, the second stage, dedicated to pre-training with video captions datasets, lasted one day, followed by the third stage, involving instruction tuning, which extended over three days. Throughout these stages, we maintained a batch size of 4 and utilized the AdamW optimizer in conjunction with a cosine learning rate scheduler, setting the learning rate to  $1e-4$ .

Our visual backbone consisted of the EVA-CLIP V1 [3] architecture, with the frozen weights. Notably, we trained the linear projection layer and performed efficient fine-tuning of the language model using LoRA [1] (*Low-Rank Adaptation*). Specifically, we fine-tuned the  $W_q$  and  $W_v$  components with a rank ( $r$ ) of 64 and a LoRA-alpha value equal 16. The entire model was trained with a consistent image resolution of  $224 \times 224$  pixels, ensuring uniformity across all stages.

## Goldfish Demo


[ECCV 2024 Accepted] Goldfish: Vision-Language Understanding of Arbitrarily Long Videos

Youtube videos Local videos

YouTube link

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8LJF0K6FY2Q&ab\\_channel=Stratosform](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8LJF0K6FY2Q&ab_channel=Stratosform)

Video



Your Question

Summarize this video and tell me what the most important events in this video.

☒ Use subtitles

For the global questions set the number of neighbours=1 otherwise use 3 as the default.

Number of Neighbours

1

Answer the Question (QA)

Answer of the question

Based on the provided clips, the most important events in the video are:

1. The yellow umbrella blowing in the wind on top of an office building.
2. The person looking out the window while seeing rain coming down outside through the glass paneled windows.
3. The cars passing by below them, including one car which is blue moving up close behind hers at some point during this time frame.

These events are the most significant as they provide the context for the rest of the video, which is the person's reaction to the rainy weather outside. The yellow umbrella and the rain coming down outside create a sense of gloom and melancholy, while the person's reaction of looking out the window with a blue car passing by creates a sense of longing or nostalgia.

Therefore, the most important events in the video are the establishment of the rainy weather and the person's reaction to it.

**Fig. 1:** Qualitative result of Goldfish model for long video understanding. [link].

## G Qualitative Results

### G.1 Long Video

Fig 1 and Fig 2 shows one example of the goldfish demo. Please refer to this link for more qualitative video demos.

### G.2 Short Video

Figs. 3 and 4 demonstrate qualitative results of our model MiniGPT4-video on in-the-wild online videos.

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Video



Your Question

What can we learn from this video?

☒ Use subtitles

For the global questions set the number of neighbours=1 otherwise use 3 as the default.

Number of Neighbours

1

Answer the Question (QA)

Answer of the question

Based on the provided video summary, here are some possible things that can be learned from the video:

1. Attention to detail: The video shows the main character cleaning dishes by hand without using any machine or tool, highlighting the importance of attention to detail in everyday tasks.
2. Relationship between subject matter and atmosphere: The video's use of soft ambient music and close-up shots of hands handling objects creates a sense of atmosphere that enhances the viewer's experience.
3. Dynamism through editing: The quick edits and motion blur effects used in the video create a sense of dynamism and energy, which can be applied to storytelling and narrative structure.
4. Experimentation with modern technology: The video's use of modern technology, such as fast-paced editing and close-up shots, shows the potential for creators to experiment and push boundaries in their storytelling.
5. Importance of sensory details: The video highlights the importance of sensory details by showing the main character's hands handling objects and sparking utensils, which creates a vivid image in the viewer's mind.
6. Unresolved questions: The video leaves the audience with unresolved questions about the nature of the relationship between the subject matter and the atmosphere, which can create a sense of intrigue and curiosity.
7. Simple recipe: The video shows a simple recipe for making a dish, which can be a valuable lesson for viewers who may be interested in cooking or learning new recipes.
8. Importance of experimentation: The video's use of experimentation with modern technology and editing techniques can inspire viewers to experiment and try new things in their own creative endeavors.

Overall, the video can be seen as a lesson in attention to detail, experimentation, and the importance of sensory details in storytelling and atmosphere.

**Fig. 2:** Qualitative result of Goldfish model for long video understanding. [link].

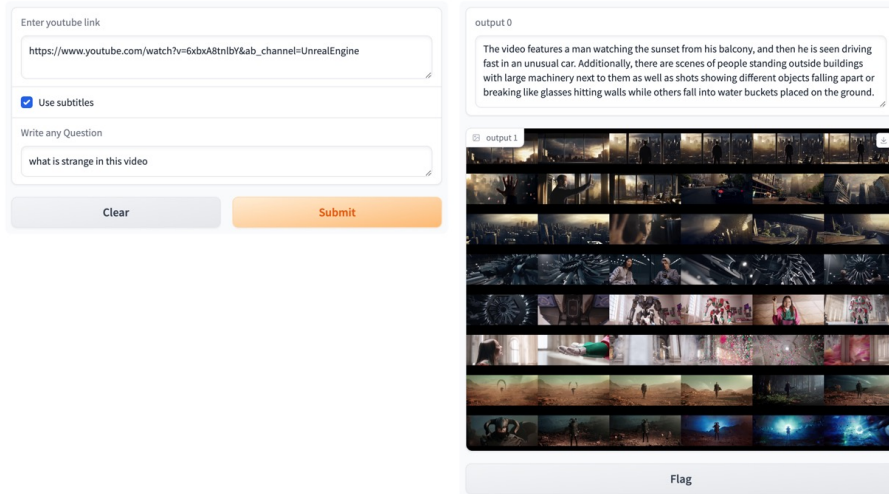


Fig. 3: Qualitative result of short video understanding with in-the-wild video [link].

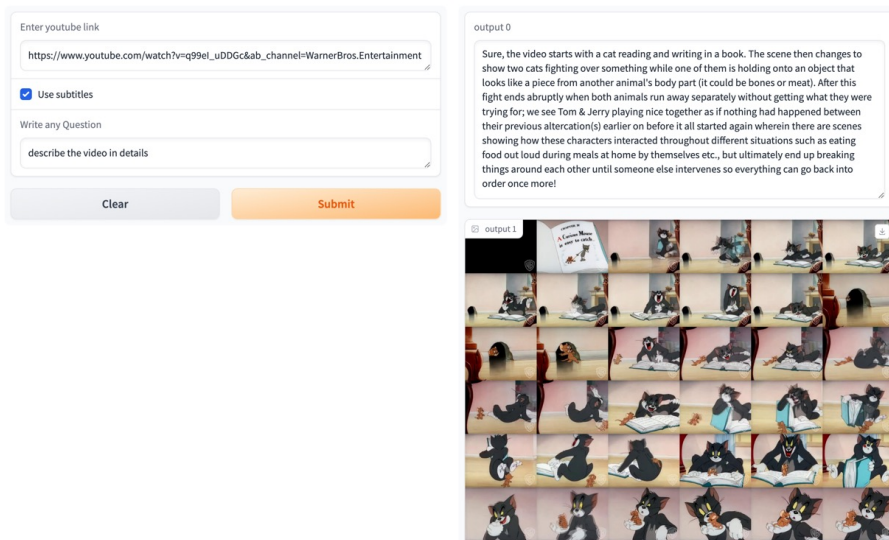


Fig. 4: Qualitative result of short video understanding with in-the-wild video [link].

Question: Generate a creative advertisement feature about this product that can be used on the product website.



#### VideoChatGPT response:

"Say goodbye to sunburn and hello to a glowing, healthy complexion with our new sunscreen product. With its lightweight formula and SPF 50+ protection, it's perfect for everyday use. Apply it daily to your face and neck for a long-lasting barrier against harmful UV rays. Don't let sun damage ruin your skin choose our sunscreen and enjoy the benefits of a healthy, radiant complexion. Get your glow on with our sunscreen today!"

#### VideoLLM (Ours)

Title: "Sunshine on Your Skin: Experience the Ultimate Moisturizing Journey"

[Scene: A beautiful beach with a person lying on the sand, enjoying the warmth of the sun on their skin. Suddenly, a bottle of moisturizer appears, and the person applies it to their skin, feeling the cool and refreshing sensation. The camera zooms in on the bottle, highlighting the product's name and key ingredients.]

[Scene: A close-up shot of the person's skin, now glowing with health and radiance. The camera then transitions to a text that appears on the screen, describing the product's benefits and unique features. The text is accompanied by a call-to-action, encouraging viewers to try the product for themselves.]

[Scene: A person is shown sitting on a couch, rubbing the moisturizer into their skin, feeling the soothing and nourishing sensation. The camera then cuts to a shot of the product bottle, with the text "Sunshine on Your Skin" appearing on the screen. The text is accompanied by a tagline that reads, "Experience the ultimate moisturizing journey."]

[Scene: The person is shown enjoying the benefits of the moisturizer throughout the day, with shots of them applying it to their skin in different settings, such as in the bathroom, at their desk, and outdoors. The camera captures their satisfaction and confidence, highlighting the product's effectiveness in providing long-lasting moisture and nourishment to the skin.]

[Scene: The final shot is a close-up of the product bottle, with the words "Sunshine on Your Skin" and "Experience the Ultimate Moisturizing Journey" appearing on the screen. The camera then fades to black, leaving viewers with a lasting impression of the product's benefits and the promise of a radiant, healthy-looking complexion.]

Fig. 5: Short model qualitative results Ours vs VideoChatGPT [2].



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