SNAP-TESTER

On-Device Visual QA for Windows UIs

Team: PIXEL PERFECT

Problem Statement

Windows applications must look and function correctly across a vast range of display environ-

ments—1080p up to 4K, 100%–200% DPI, dark and high-contrast themes, multiple languages, and

varied window sizes. Conventional CI pipelines catch crashes and functional bugs but cannot detect

pixel-level visual regressions: unreadable text, poor contrast, overlapping UI elements, or tiny con-

trols that fail accessibility guidelines. Manual review of dozens of variants is slow, error-prone, and

unscalable, while cloud-based visual-test services introduce latency, expose proprietary UI captures,

and rely on external infrastructure.

Proposed Solution

Snap-Tester is a turnkey, on-device CI plug-in for the Snapdragon X Elite Copilot+ PC that auto-

mates pixel-perfect visual and accessibility QA without any cloud dependency.

1. Automated Screenshot Capture

Leverage existing UI-automation (PowerShell UIA, WinAppDriver, FlaUI) to navigate key screens

under each resolution/DPI/theme, saving snapshots in a standardized folder.

2. Al-Powered Audit Pipeline

• Text Detection (BYO Tiny-OCR ONNX) A compact OCR model (team-supplied ONNX, com-

piled via qai_hub compile) extracts every UI text region and bounding box in tens of milliseconds

on the Hexagon NPU.

• Control Detection (BYO MobileNet-SSD ONNX) A lightweight SSD, fine-tuned on UI con-

trols (buttons, fields, icons), also compiled via Al Hub, locates interactive elements in tens of

milliseconds.

• Rule-Based Checks (CPU) Computes WCAG contrast ratios (minimum 4.5:1) and enforces control dimensions (48×48 dp) directly on pixel data.

3. Actionable Guidance

Integrate the **AnythingLLM 1B-parameter QNN** (pre-optimized on AI Hub) to translate numeric failures (e.g. "contrast = 2.8:1 on 'OK'") into concise, prioritized fix suggestions ("Use white text for 7:1 contrast") in under $100 \, \text{ms}$.

4. CI Integration & Reporting

Runs as a native CI step on one Copilot+ PC; all screenshots and AI inferences remain local. Generates a JSON/HTML report and flags builds with critical regressions—providing comprehensive feedback in under one minute for 50–100 screens.

Edge-Al & Al Hub Integration

- On-Device Inference: All OCR, control detection, and LLM runs execute on the Hexagon NPU, showcasing real-time edge-Al performance without cloud latency.
- Al Hub Models: Utilizes the AnythingLLM 1B ONNX directly from Al Hub; uses Al Hub's "Bring Your Own Model" flow to compile our OCR and SSD networks into Hexagon QNN format.
- **Unified Runtime:** Inference is driven through AI Engine Direct or ONNX Runtime's QNN Execution Provider, highlighting the complete Snapdragon X edge-AI stack.

Use-Case Scenarios

- Automotive Infotainment: Automatically validate day/night and multilingual screens for contrast and layout faults before production.
- Enterprise Kiosks: Ensure high-DPI and accessibility theme variants of self-service software remain readable and tappable—without sending images to the cloud.
- *Productivity Suites:* Guard custom skins and dynamic layouts across diverse monitor setups, catching UI regressions early and reducing support tickets.

Impact

Snap-Tester empowers development teams to *shift left* their visual and accessibility testing—catching every pixel-level issue on the same device end-users run and delivering consistent, private QA feedback that scales across all display environments.

Cloud-Free Privacy: All screenshots and Al inference remain on-device, ensuring complete data confidentiality for proprietary UIs.

Real-Time Feedback: Delivers comprehensive visul QA results in under a minute, enabling faster interation and reduced time-to-fix.

Scalable Across Variants: Efficiently validates multiple resolutions, DPIs, themes, and languageseliminating the need for manual review or external sevices.

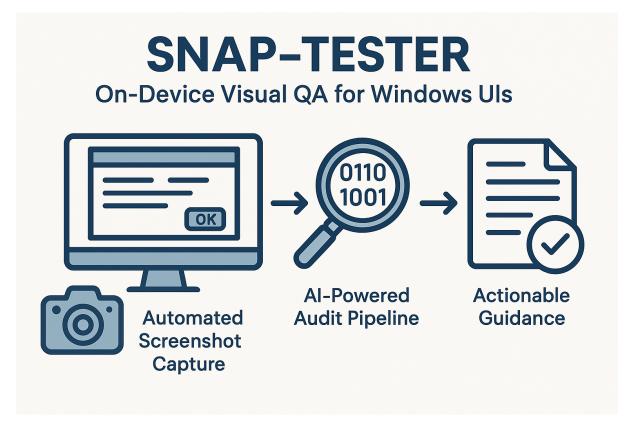


Figure 1: Snap-Tester Pipeline