SmolVLM for Dense Video Captioning

Week 2: Internship Update
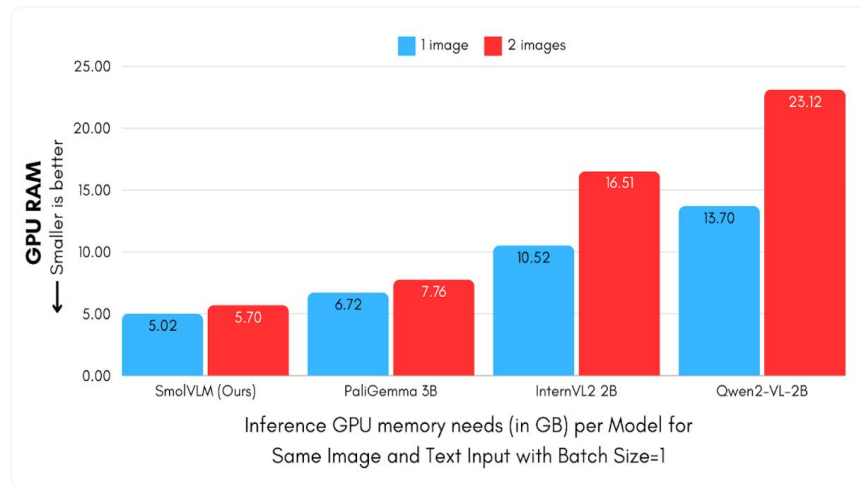
- Paper template
- Historical overview of VLMs and small VLMs
- Attention: cosine similarity = cross correlation = dot produc
- Apollo: state of the art o 7B (December 2024)
  - Video sampling: frames per second better than uniform sampling

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- Models (2.25)
  - SmolVLM-Base
  - SmolVLM-Synthetic
  - SmolVLM-Instruct (Tested)
- Architecture
  - Llama 3.1 8B with SmolLM2 1.7B for the language model,
  - Compressed visual information by reducing it 9 times using pixel shuffle strategy
  - Patches 384x384 because it is divisible by 3
  - Vision encoder is SigLIP with patches 384x384 and inner patches of 14x14

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Model	MMMU (val)	MathVista (testmini)	MMStar (val)	DocVQA (test)	TextVQA (val)	Min GPU RAM required (GB)
SmolVLM	38.8	44.6	42.1	81.6	72.7	5.02
Qwen2-VL 2B	41.1	47.8	47.5	90.1	79.7	13.70
InternVL2 2B	34.3	46.3	49.8	86.9	73.4	10.52
PaliGemma 3B 448px	34.9	28.7	48.3	32.2	56.0	6.72
moondream2	32.4	24.3	40.3	70.5	65.2	3.87
MiniCPM-V-2	38.2	39.8	39.1	71.9	74.1	7.88
MM1.5 1B	35.8	37.2	0.0	81.0	72.5	NaN

Inference GPU memory needs (in GB) per Model for Same Image and Text Input with Batch Size=1

Hugging Face (February 2025)

- Video understanding
- Demos
- Models
  - SmolVLM 2.2B Instruct (Tested)
  - SmolVLM 500M Instruct
  - SmolVLM 256M Instruct (Still the smallest)

PySceneDetect

- ContentDetector: HSL/HSV + filtering (filtering is not the best for edge extraction, required threshold changing)
- AdaptiveDetector: HSL + rolling average
- ThresholdDetector: RGB averaging (device dependent)
- HistogramDetector: YUV (histogram of Y component) + correlation
- HashDetector: hash function, difference
- Testing code
- Thresholding algorithm?