

From Multimodal LLM to Human-level Al

Architecture, Modality, Function, Instruction, Hallucination, Evaluation, Reasoning and Beyond



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Multimodal Hallucinations

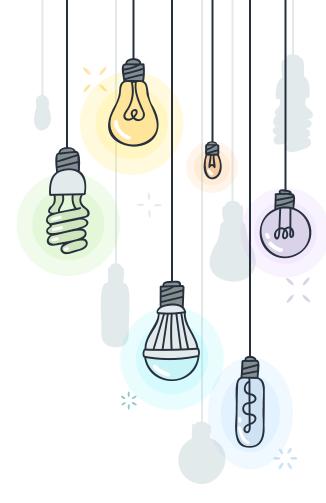


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Definition of Hallucinations in MLLMs



Hallucination of MLLM generally refers to the phenomenon where the <u>generated</u> <u>text response</u> <u>does not align with</u> the <u>visual content</u>.

Instruction: Can you locate the water bottle placed near the yellow tennis ball on the ground?



MiniGPT4-v1: The water bottle is located near the yellow tennis ball on the ground. Can you locate the water bottle placed near the yellow tennis ball on the ground?

MiniGPT4-v2: Yes, the water bottle is placed near the yellow tennis ball on the ground.

LLaVA1.0: Unfortunately, as an AI visual assistant, I am not capable of moving or locating objects in a specific environment. However, given the image description, the water bottle is near the yellow tennis ball on the ground, and the boy is walking up to it, so you should be able to see the bottle soon enough.

LLaVA1.5: Yes, there is a water bottle placed near the yellow tennis ball on the ground.



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Object Hallucination:

There are some benches and a fence in the background.

Attribution Hallucination:

There is a large tree in the background with pink flowers.

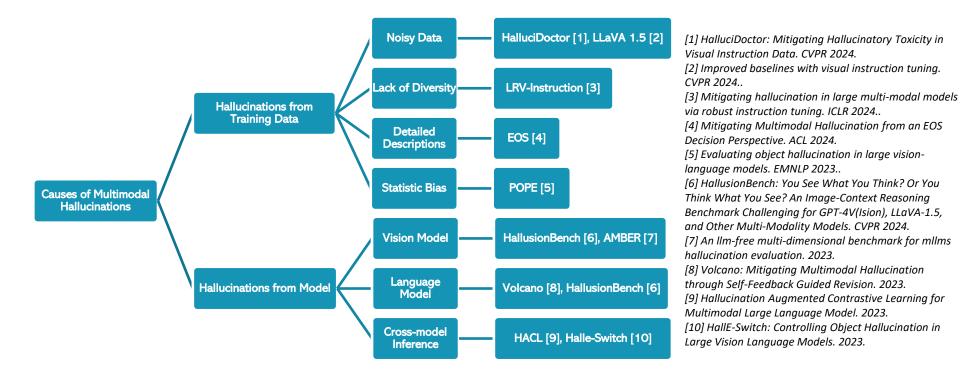
Relation Hallucination:

The other people in the picture are standing around the girl, watching what she is doing.





Causes of Hallucinations in MLLMs



Noisy Data

- Pre-training stage employs image-text pairs crawled from the web, which contain inaccurate information.
- As for instruction tuning data, LLaVA utilizes the advanced text-only GPT-4 model to generate instructions. However, text-only ChatGPT is a language model that cannot interpret visual content, leading to the risk of noisy data.



LLaVA: At a train station, a group of people, including both young children and adults, are standing on a platform waiting for a train to arrive. The train is already present on the tracks, partially visible on the right side of the image. Some of the people watch the train closely, while others seem to be patiently anticipating its departure.

There is a total of eight individuals waiting for the train, with one child in the middle of the platform and the others scattered around. A backpack can be found on the far left side of the platform, suggesting that someone may have set it down while waiting.

* Lack of Data Diversity

 Most instruction following data samples are composed of positive instruction, without negative instruction data and reject answering responses.

Results on POPE

Model	Yes(%)
mPLUG-Owl	96.23
LLaVA	95.37
MultiModel-GPT	99.97

Tend to answer "Yes"!



(Neg) Nonexistent Object Manipulation

Q: Can you spot a hot air balloon above the tall tree?

A: There is no hot air balloon mentioned in the image.



(Neg) Existent Object Manipulation

Q: Is the woman in the blue pants and pink shirt sitting on the floor?

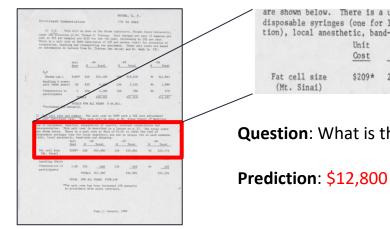
A: There is no hot air balloon mentioned in the image.

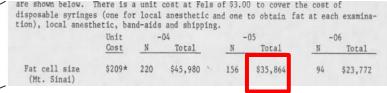
Examples from LRV-Instruction



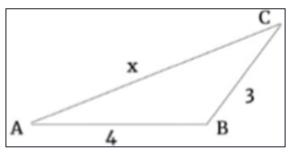
Hallucinations from Vision Model

A weak vision model can lead to misinterpretation of visual content.





Question: What is the total cost for Fat cell size (Mt. Shlnai) in the -05 year?



Question: Is the value of x in the image 5?

Prediction: To determine the value of x in the triangle, we can use the Pythagorean theorem for right triangles, Where a and b are the lengths of the two shorter sides (legs) and is the length of the hypotenuse. So, yes, the value of x in the image is 5.

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* Hallucinations from Language Model

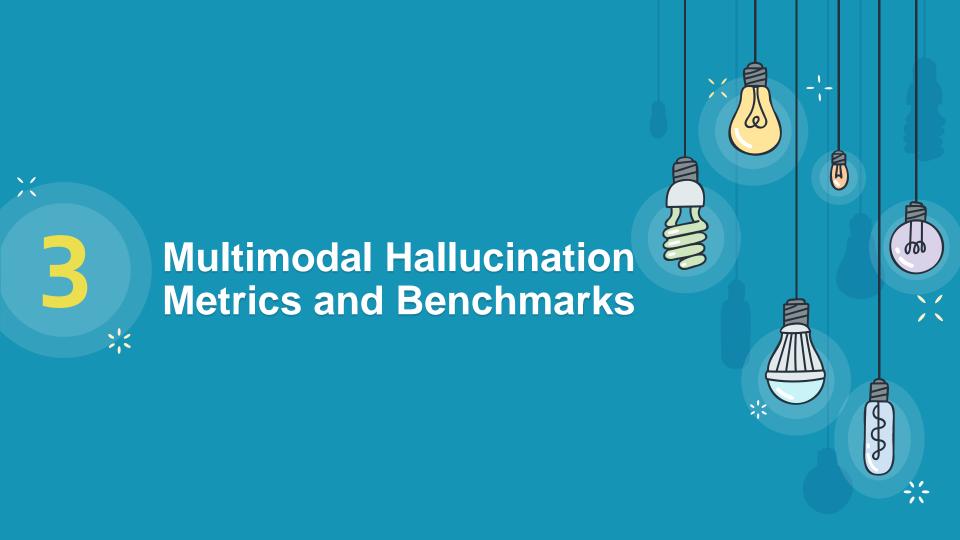
The language model is much larger and stronger than the vision model, leading to a tendency to prioritize its parametric memory.

	Gold	Silver	Bronze
China	23	21	28
United States	36	38	36
Russian Fed.	23	21	28
Great Britain	19	13	15
Germany	16	10	15
Australia	14	15	17
Korea	13	10	8
Japan	9	6	10
Italy	8	10	10
France	7	16	17
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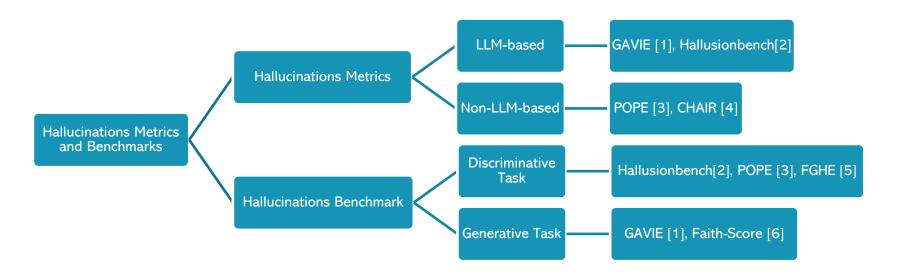
Question: According to the metal number chart of the 2008 Beijing Olympics in the image, Does China have the most gold metals, followed by the USA and Russia?

Prediction: Yes, according to the metal number chart of the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games, China won the most gold medals, followed by the United States and Russia. The chart shows the number of gold, silver, and bronze medals won by each country during the games.

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Benchmark	Venue	Underlying	Size	Task	Metric		Halluc	ination Ty	pe
Benefinark	Venue	Data Source	OLLC	Type	Wellie	Category	Attribute	Relation	Others
CHAIR [90]	EMNLP'18	MSCOCO [70]	5,000	Gen	CHAIR	✓	Х	Х	×
POPE [69]	EMNLP'23	MSCOCO [70]	3,000	Dis	Acc/P/R/F1	✓	X	X	×
MME [113]	arXiv'23 Jun	MSCOCO [70]	1457	Dis	Acc/Score	✓	✓	X	✓
CIEM [42]	NeurIPS-W'23	MSCOCO [70]	78120	Dis	Acc	✓	X	X	×
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MMHal-Bench [96]	arXiv'23 Sep.	Open-Images [61]	96	Gen	LLM Assessment	✓	X	X	✓
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AMBER [103]	arXiv'23 Nov.	Web	15,202	Dis & Gen	AMBER Score	✓	✓	✓	×
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FGHE [105]	arXiv'23 Dec.	MSCOCO [70]	200	Dis	Acc/P/R/F	✓	✓	✓	Obj. Behavior
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Dis* means: converting the evaluation of hallucination into a binary classification task by prompting MLLMs with simple Yes-or-No short questions about the probing objects. It's not open-ended questions.

Gen* means generative tasks, which is open-ended questions.

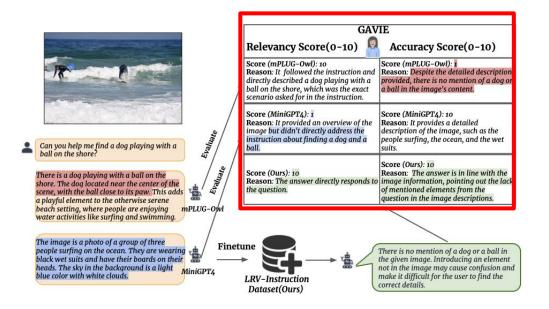


Non-LLM evaluation, **Discriminative Tasks**



- Q: Is there a bottle in the image?
- A: Yes, there is a bottle in the image.
- Q: Is there a Knife in the image?
- A: No, there is no knife in the image.

LLM evaluation, Generative Tasks



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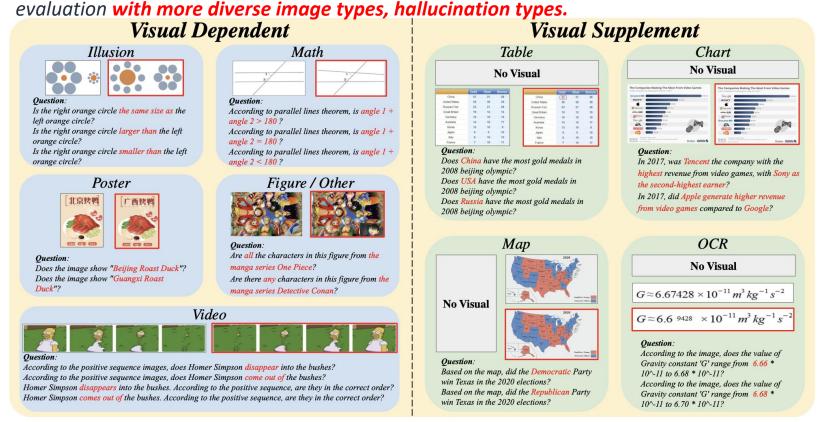
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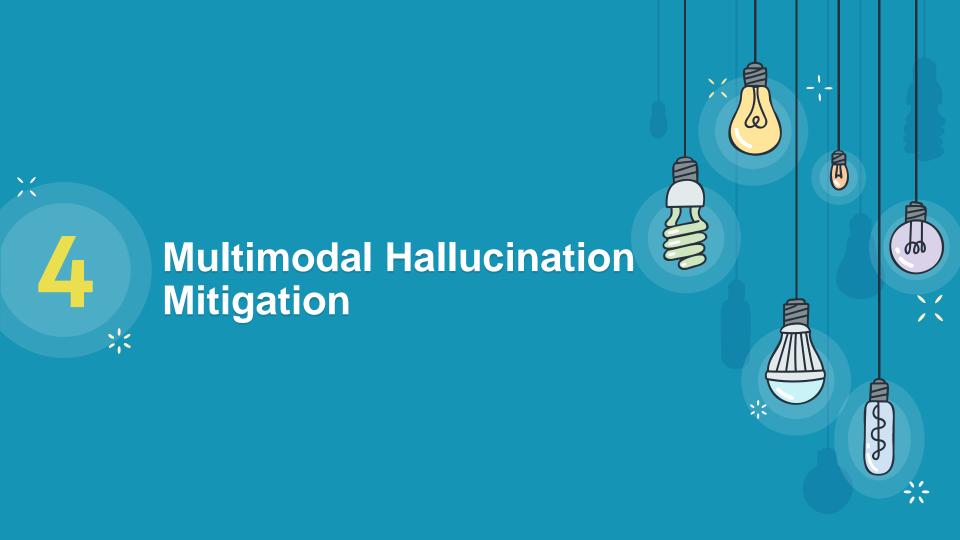
Manually crafted by experts

> Many benchmarks are sourced from MSCOCO and visual-Genome, which are usually included in current instruction tuning datasets. HallusionBench manually crafted by human experts, is an ideal benchmark for the zero-shot evaluation.



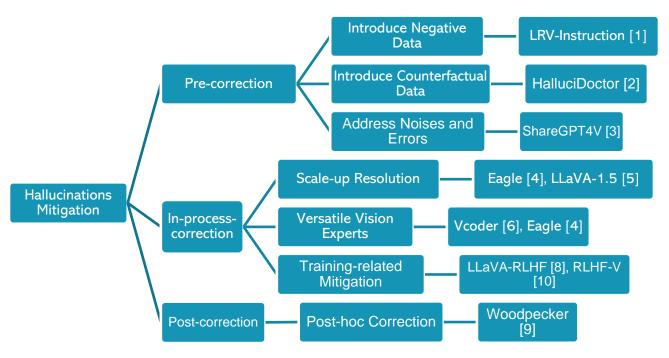
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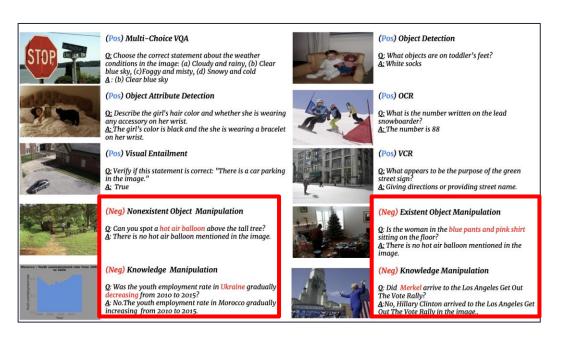
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+ *LRV-Instruction* is designed to include both positive and negative instructions for more robust visual instruction tuning.



Results on MME Benchmark

Backbone	Perception	Cognition
Original MiniGPT4	616.41	232.71
Finetuned MiniGPT4	895.96	296.43
Original mPLUG-Owl	967.34	276.07
Finetuned mPLUG-Owl	1298.78	328.21
Backbone	Acc(Pos)	Acc(Neg)
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+ Rewrite the text captions of existing image-text pairs in datasets by GPT4-V.

lack details or hallucinate



COCO: Young children standing on a platform waiting for a train to arrive.

Adults and children watching a train slowly leave.

A family near a railroad track watching the train pass.

People waiting on a platform as a train pulls up.

A train station with a green chain on the tracks and children waiting for it to go by.

LLaVA: At a train station, a group of people, including both young children and adults, are standing on a platform waiting for a train to arrive. The train is already present on the tracks, partially visible on the right side of the image. Some of the people watch the train closely, while others seem to be patiently anticipating its departure.

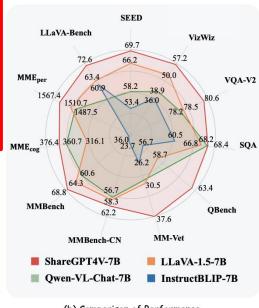
There is a total of eight individuals waiting for the train, with one child in the middle of the platform and the others scattered around. A backpack can be found on the far left side of the platform, suggesting that someone may have set it down while waiting.

ShareGPT4V: The image captures a moment at a train station. A green train is on the tracks, moving away from the platform labeled "Platform 2". The train's motion is observed by people standing on the platform, their attention drawn to the departing vehicle.

A red signal stands on the tracks, its vibrant color contrasting with the green of the train. Signs are prominently displayed around the platform. One warns "Beware of Trains", a cautionary reminder of the powerful machines that frequent these tracks. Another sign advises "Please Use The Footbridge To Cross The Line. If You Require Assistance Please Ask The Station Staff", audiina passencers to safely navigate the station.

The sky above is a clear blue, providing a serene backdrop to the bustling activity of the station. In the distance, trees can be seen, adding a touch of nature to this man-made setting. The image is a snapshot of everyday life at a train station, capturing both its routine operations and its inherent charm.

(a) Comparison of Captions' Quality



(b) Comparison of Performance

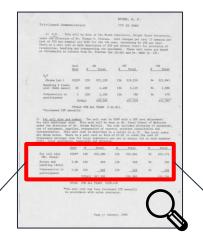
Scale-up Resolution

+ Higher resolution generally results in lower degrees of hallucination.

Experiment Results from Eagle

Method	Unfreeze	Res.	#Tok(V)	#Params	FLOPs	Img/Sec	Avg.
Original	X	336	576	0.3B	119G	197.2	616.5
Original	✓	336	576	0.3B	119G	197.2	562.6
Interpolate	Х	448	1024	0.3B	214G	119.5	589.7
Interpolate	✓	448	1024	0.3B	214G	119.5	670.5
Interpolate	✓	672	2304	0.3B	480G	56.3	674.2
Tiled-input	✓	672	2304	0.3B	476G	51.6	673.9

#Avg. Denotes the average score of 15 VLM Benchmarks



are shown below. There is a unit cost at Fels of \$3.00 to cover the cost of disposable syringes (one for local anesthetic and one to obtain fat at each examination), local anesthetic, band-aids and shipping.

	Unit	-	-04			05	-	-06
	Cost	N	Total		N	Total	N	Total
Fat cell size (Mt. Sinai)	\$209*	220	\$45,980	Š.	156	\$35,864	94	\$23,772

More Vision Experts

Introducing additional vision encoders enhances the performance.

#Encoder	Encoder Combination	Config	#Params (M)	FLOPs (G)	Img/Sec	Avg.
2	CL + CN	X2	1155.2	3347.2	18.1	681.5
3	CL + CN + DI CL + CN + SA CL + CN + PS CL + CN + EV	X3	1460.6 1463.9 1669.6 1459.6	3659.9 4657.8 4373.2 4280.9	15.1 8.8 6.9 9.1	685.4 690.4 685.1 690.7
4	CL + CN + EV + DI CL + CN + EV + SA CL + CN + EV + PS	X4	1765.1 1768.4 1974.1	4593.6 5591.5 5306.9	8.3 5.9 5.0	688.0 689.4 694.6
5	CL + CN + EV + PS + DI CL + CN + EV + PS + SA	X5	2279.5 2282.8	5619.5 6617.4	4.7 3.8	684.7 697.1

CL: CLIP

CN: ConvNext

DI: DINOv2

SA: SAM

PS: Pix2Struct

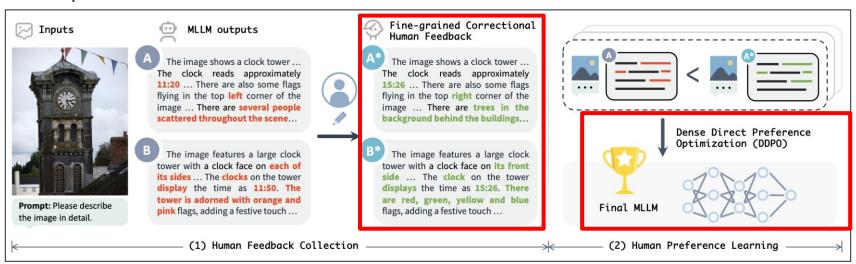
EV: EVA-02

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* Training-related Mitigation: RLHF-V

- Collect human feedback in the form of fine-grained segment-level corrections.
- + Propose DDPO to optimizes the policy model against dense and fine-grained segment-level preference.



Post-hoc Correction

→ Woodpecker is training-free general framework for hallucination correction. It incorporates expert models to supplement contextual information of the image and crafts a pipeline to correct hallucinations step by step.



Experiment results on MME

Model	w/ correction	Total
LLaVA	No	421
LLaVA	Yes	565
Otter	No	448
Otter	Yes	571

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Future Directions of MLLM Hallucinations

+ Establishing Standardized Benchmarks

× Easy to use, fair, free-form, cheap

→ Reframing Hallucination as a Feature

- × It's only when the dreams enter deemed factually incorrect territory that we label them as 'hallucinations'.
- × Double-edged sword / Creation / Hallucination

Any questions?

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