

SAE Viewport Prediction

This project predicts where a person will look next in a 360° video using a model called Spatiotemporal Attentive Entropy (SAE).

Initial Setup:

- Make a folder called “SAE Viewport Prediction Folder” on your desktop
- Open a terminal and cd into that folder

Setup Instructions:

1. Clone the repository
 - git clone <https://github.com/IamArmanNikkhah/sae-viewport-prediction.git>
 - cd sae-viewport-prediction
 - git checkout -b feature/week-5-training-pipeline
origin/feature/week-5-training-pipeline → This will ensure that you are in the branch that has all the code and files needed to successfully run the pipeline
 - git branch

Create a virtual environment:

1. Mac/Linux:
 - python3 -m venv venv
 - source venv/bin/activate
2. Windows (PowerShell):
 - python -m venv venv
 - .\venv\Scripts\activate.ps1 → If this is not working, ensure that you don't have any PowerShell restrictions on.

Install dependencies:

- pip install -r requirements.txt

Download the Dataset:

- <https://zenodo.org/records/10650505>
- Download Image_H.7z manually from the Zenodo page. → Note: This folder might take around 10+ minutes to download, depending on computer.
- While waiting for the images to download, create a folder called ‘data’ inside the ‘sae-viewport-prediction’ folder.
- Extract the data using 7-Zip or any unzip tool.
- Move the extracted folder into the ‘data’ folder you just created.
- Your data folder should now look like this:
- SAE Viewport Prediction Folder
 - └── sae-viewport-prediction/
 - ├── src
 - └── data
 - └── H → Extracted folder from Image_H.7z

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├── SalMaps  
└── Scanpaths → This folder will be found in folder 'H'. Move it out of 'H', into  
'data'.  
├── tests  
├── scripts  
└── .vscode
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Run the Code → Train the Model

1. Mac/Linux/Windows:

- python scripts/process_all_scanpaths.py
- python scripts/make_npy_from_cleaned.py
- python scripts/generate_vmf_lut.py
- Your data folder should now look like this:
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 - └── sae-viewport-prediction
 - ├── src
 - ├── data
 - └── H
 - └── SalMaps
 - └── Processed
 - └── Scanpaths
 - ├── tests
 - ├── scripts
 - └── .vscode
- python -m src.training.train → This will start the training process using the datasets.

Evaluate the Model

1. Mac/Linux/Windows:

- python -m src.evaluation.evaluate → This will run the evaluation script and print the MAE and NLL metrics.