# Visual decoding project Work environment description

Current environment: /home/ralmeida/miniconda3/envs/machinelearnin

In case it is deleted from home, there is a file in /media/RCPNAS/MIP/Michael/students\_work/rodrigo called machinelearnin\_backup.yml , which can be used to restore it, running conda env create --name machinelearnin -f machinelearnin\_backup.yml

In any case, all the packages needed in the environment and their versions are in a file called packages.txt

## Modules:

dataset\_new.py - functions to load and preprocess the dataset face\_detection2.py - functions to detect faces imports.py - all the necessary imports models\_new\_2.py - defining model classes, functions to train and test models visualisation\_new\_2.py - functions to see the image reconstructions and metrics perturbation.py - functions to perturbate models run\_overnight.py and others with similar names - scripts to leave running overnight to train different types of models

### **Notebooks:**

Find\_best\_model.ipynb - cross validation method (might not be well defined, see again how to define it properly)

GPU\_memory.ipynb - in case there are issues with CUDA memory new\_loss.ipynb - testing a loss related to face detection new\_mask.ipynb - creating custom masks new\_run.ipynb - current main notebook old\_run.ipynb - old main notebook

perturbation\_new.ipynb - testing perturbation method run.ipynb - basic pipeline for loading data, training a model and testing it Schaefer 1000 mask.ipynb - original notebook for masking Setup\_newfmri.ipynb - get fmri data (to numpy) with all voxels Splitting.ipynb - explorations related to the splitting method Statistical analysis.ipynb - explorations related to the statistical tests .~Forrest Gump preprocessing.ipynb - explorations related to trying to preprocess Forrest Gump to be able to use it

### **Trained models:**

temporal\_decoder\_4609\_x\_y\_z - decoder accounting for temporal features using 4609 voxels, trained for x epochs, with a TR window size of y, and I1 regularization of z

decoder\_4936\_x - decoder for data with 4936 voxels, trained for x epochs decoder\_all\_4609\_x - decoder trained on all subjects (other models trained on just the average), for data with 4609 voxels, trained for x epochs encoder\_15364\_2 - best encoder model for the 15364 voxels mask (dataset\_ID = 6660)

encoder\_decoder\_4609\_11 - best encoder-decoder model for the 4609 voxels mask (dataset\_ID = 6661)

Best decoder models: decoder\_4609\_350, temporal\_decoder\_4609\_352\_TRwindow3\_I1\_1e-08

#### Subfolders:

aal\_SPM12 - Contains the anatomical atlas
auto\_extracted - to store relevant extracted parts of images
batch\_results - to store faces
decoder\_dataset\_all\_subjects\_sub-S02 - train, test and validation set for subject
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encoder\_dataset\_6660 - Contains the splitted dataset (train/test/val) for fMRI
mask of 15364 voxels (before SNR)

encoder\_dataset\_6661 - Contains the splitted dataset (train/test/val) for fMRI mask of 4609 voxels (after SNR)

extracted - for testing the grabcut algorithm for getting relevant parts of images faces\_output - similar to batch\_results

fmris\_4609+ffa - all TRs of each video, with the 4609 voxels + voxels from the ffa mask

fmris\_all\_voxels - all TRs of each video, with all voxels

fMRIs\_schaefer1000\_15364 - Contains fMRIs from the 30 subjects (and average) under the 15364 voxels mask

fMRIs\_schaefer1000\_4609 - Contains fMRIs from the 30 subjects (and average) under the 4609 voxels mask

middle\_frames\_original\_size - contains the original frames at the middle of each TR for every video, in their original resolution

my\_faces - similar to batch\_results, used while trying algorithms

outputs - to store image reconstructions and metrics

processed\_data - train and test sets for every subject, with 4609 voxels

processed\_data\_new - train and test set with 4936 voxels (just for subject 1)

processed\_videos - all videos processed to 112x112 resolution and only 1 frame per TR (not split between sets)

Trash - Contains old files

# Masks:

enhanced\_LFFA.npy - mask for the left FFA (fusiform face area) plus the reflection of the mask of the right FFA

enhanced\_RFFA.npy - analogous to the previous one, for the other side enhanced\_union\_FFA.npy - union of the two previous masks

LFFA\_roi.nii.gz - mask for the left FFA, not resampled to match our fMRI data mask\_4609+ffa.npy - mask for the top 30% voxels with highest SNR among the 15364 voxels covering visual regions plus the FFA

mask\_4609+ffa+ppa.npy - previous mask plus the PPA (parahippocampal place area)

mask\_schaefer1000\_15364.npy - contains voxels from the visual regions based on the schaefer 1000 parcellation

mask\_schaefer1000\_4609.npy - contains the top 30% voxels with highest SNR among the 15364 voxels covering visual regions

ppa\_prob.nii - mask for the PPA, not resampled to match our fMRI data. Each entry has a value between 0 and 1 related to its importance to the PPA (the area is still being researched)

region\_ids\_15364.npy - 1D array with 15364 elements containing the number/id of the region from the atlas that each voxel in the 15364 mask belongs to region\_ids\_4609.npy - analogous to previous array, but for the 4609 mask region\_ids\_4609+.npy - 1D array with 902629 (=91\*109\*91, number of voxels in each TR) elements, all with 0s except in the locations corresponding to the voxels of the 4609 mask

region\_ids\_900k.npy - analogous to previous one, but for the 15364 mask region\_ids\_all2.npy - 1D array with 902629 elements containing the number/id of the region from the atlas that each voxel belongs to

resampled\_lffa.npy - mask for the left FFA resampled to match our fMRI data resampled\_ppa0.5.npy - mask for the PPA, only with voxels with value 0.5 or above in the ppa\_prob mask

resampled\_ppa0.9.npy - analogous to previous one, with 0.9 instead of 0.5 resampled\_ppa.npy - ppa\_prob resampled to match our fMRI data resampled\_rffa.npy - mask for the right FFA resampled to match our fMRI data RFFA\_roi.nii.gz - mask for the right FFA, not resampled to match our fMRI data Schaefer2018\_1000Parcels\_Kong2022\_17Networks\_order\_FSLMNI152\_2mm.nii .gz: parcellation used to define the mask with 15364 voxels

#### Other files:

- checkpoint.pth: involved in the training loop in case the kernel crashes
- mask.nii.gz: contains the old mask with 4330 voxels (not well defined)
- saliency\_map.npy: saliency values for each voxel of the mask, generated within the testing loop

Other files no longer used were moved to the Trash folder

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