Dataset: Download from this <u>linkLinks to an external site</u>.

**Dataset Reference:** Duan H, Zhai G, Min X, Che Z, Fang Y, Yang X, Gutiérrez J, Callet PL. A dataset of eye movements for the children with autism spectrum disorder. InProceedings of the 10th ACM Multimedia Systems Conference 2019 Jun 18 (pp. 255-260).

## **Overall Tasks:**

- To predict the saliency map using several saliency prediction models
- Compare the predicted saliency map with Typically Developed (TD) fixation maps
- Compare the same predicted saliency map with Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) fixation maps
- Analyze the performance of predicted saliency maps approximating TD and ASD fixation maps

## Steps to follow:

- 1. Download the dataset from 'Saliency4asd.zip'. For each image in TrainingData/Images folder, the folder TrainingData/TD\_FixMaps and TrainingData/ASD\_FixMaps contain fixation maps of TD and ASD subjects. You can consider TrainingData/TD\_FixMaps, and TrainingData/ASD\_FixMaps are the ground truth for the prediction. Given an image as an input, a saliency prediction model should generate a saliency prediction map that approximates the corresponding (a) TD and (b) ASD map.
- 2. Now, become familiar with the websiteLinks to an external site. This website mentions popular saliency prediction models. Pick at least three (3) models from this list for which codes (preferably Matlab/Python, but others also ok) are available. Then, generate saliency prediction maps for each image in TrainingData/Images. In this way, you will get three sets of predicted saliency maps. Do not try to implement any model by yourself. Instead, use the available codebase.
- 3. Next, compare each set of prediction maps with (a) TrainingData/TD\_FixMaps and (b) TrainingData/ASD\_FixMaps. For comparison, there are several evaluation metrics available here:

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- https://github.com/cvzoya/saliency/tree/master/code\_forMetricsLinks to an external site.
- <a href="https://github.com/matthias-k/saliency-benchmarking/blob/master/evaluate.pyLinks">https://github.com/matthias-k/saliency-benchmarking/blob/master/evaluate.pyLinks</a> to an external site.
- Use at least three evaluation metrics.
- 4. If there is x number of images in the dataset, each saliency model will provide x number of saliency maps. After applying each evaluation metric, you will get x number of performance values for (a) TD and another x number of performance values for (b) ASD. Report the average/mean performance of all values. Then, fill in the following tables.

## (a) For TD:

AUC\_Borji AUC\_Judd AUC\_shuffled CC EMD Info Gain KLdiv NSS

Model 1

Model 2

Model 3

## (b) For ASD:

AUC\_Borji AUC\_Judd AUC\_shuffled CC EMD Info Gain KLdiv NSS

Model 1

Model 2

Model 3