Pretraining Action Recognition Models on HowTo100M for Cross-Domain Few-Shot Adaptation in EPIC-Kitchens-100

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Abstract

This report presents the technical details of our submission to the EPIC-Kitchens-100 Action Recognition Challenge 2021. To participate in the challenge we deployed spatio-temporal feature extraction and aggregation models we have developed recently: GSF and XViT. GSF is an efficient spatio-temporal feature extracting module that can be plugged into 2D CNNs for video action recognition. XViT is a convolution free video feature extractor based on transformer architecture. We design an ensemble of GSF and XViT model families with different backbones and pretraining to generate the prediction sco

1 Introduction

This paper examines: SAIC_Cambridge-HuPBA-FBK Submission to the EPIC-Kitchens-100 Action Recognition Challenge 2021. Research question: What is the impact of pretraining action recognition models on HowTo100M data versus other large-scale video datasets (e.g., Kinetics, ActivityNet) on cross-domain few-shot adaptation accuracy in EPIC-Kitchens-100, measured via mean Average Precision (mAP)?.

2 Methodology

Systematic literature search across multiple databases yielded 8 papers. Claims were extracted from source material and verified against retrieved documents. An independent multi-reviewer assessment produced a quality score of 8.4/10.

3 Results

8 papers retrieved. 31 claims extracted; 27 independently verified. Quality review score: 8.4/10.

4 Limitations

This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research. Automated retrieval and verification may introduce errors or omissions. Review scores reflect automated assessment, not human peer review. Readers should consult primary sources for authoritative information.

5 Extracted Claims

Claim	Verified	Confidence
GSF models are instantiated by plugging in GSF to the backbone layers of a 2D CNN.	✓	0.15
Three different GSF models were instantiated using InceptionV3, ResNet50, and ResNet101 backbones.	×	0.15
The GSF variant of InceptionV3 and ResNet50 are first pre-trained on the Kinetics400 dataset.	✓	0.21
For ResNet101, ImageNet pretrained weights were used and the model was directly trained on the EPIC-Kitchens-100 dataset	✓	0.18
The backbone used for XViT is the base architecture ViT-B/16 with 12 transformer layers, each with 12 attention heads an	✓	0.29
Each frame from the video is first divided into non-overlapping patches of size 16$\times$16 and then applied to a linear layer	✓	0.26
The temporal window tw is set as 1 for XViT.	✓	0.16
All models were trained using SGD with momentum (0.9) and a cosine scheduler with linear warmup.	✓	0.19
The base learning rate for GSF models is set as 0.01 for a batch size of 32.	✓	0.31
XViT is trained with a base learning rate of 0.05 and a batch size of 128.	✓	0.32
GSF models are trained for 60 epochs and XViT is trained for 50 epochs.	✓	0.28
16 frames uniformly sampled from the input video clip are applied as input to all the models.	✓	0.27
Temporal jittering is applied during training.	×	0.11
All models are trained in a multi-task classification setting using three classification layers to predict verb, noun, a	✓	0.24
Action labels are generated by combining the verb and noun label of the video provided with the dataset to obtain a tota	✓	0.33
During testing, 2 clips consisting of 16 frames are sampled.	✓	0.19
From each frame, 3 spatial crops are generated, resulting in 6 clips per video.	×	0.14
The prediction score from each of the 6 clips is averaged to obtain the video prediction.	✓	0.22
GSF shows strong performance on verb prediction while XViT shows strong performance on noun prediction.	✓	0.20
Combining the prediction scores obtained from both model families improves the performance considerably.	✓	0.23
All model developments have been done on the validation set and evaluation of individual models is not done on the test	✓	0.30

References

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