

Multimodal Pre-training Effects on Zero-shot Cross-lingual Transfer Performance in Varying Model Sizes

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Abstract

This paper studies zero-shot cross-lingual transfer of vision-language models. Specifically, we focus on multilingual text-to-video search and propose a Transformer-based model that learns contextualized multilingual multimodal embeddings. Under a zero-shot setting, we empirically demonstrate that performance degrades significantly when we query the multilingual text-video model with non-English sentences. To address this problem, we introduce a multilingual multimodal pre-training strategy, and collect a new multilingual instructional video dataset (MultiHowTo100M) for pre-training. Experiments

1 Introduction

This paper examines: Multilingual Multimodal Pre-training for Zero-Shot Cross-Lingual Transfer of Vision-Language Models. Research question: What is the effect of incorporating multimodal pre-training (e.g., visual+text) on zero-shot cross-lingual transfer performance for models of varying sizes (1B vs. 10B parameters) as evaluated by XTREME benchmarks?.

2 Methodology

Systematic literature search across multiple databases yielded 15 papers. Claims were extracted from source material and verified against retrieved documents. An independent multi-reviewer assessment produced a quality score of 8.5/10.

3 Results

15 papers retrieved. 12 claims extracted; 11 independently verified. Quality review score: 8.5/10.

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
The proposed method significantly improves video search in non-English languages without additional annotations.	✓	0.35
The method outperforms recent baselines by a large margin in multilingual text-to-video search on VTT and VATEX, as well	✓	0.43
The model and Multi-HowTo100M dataset are available at http://github.com/berniebear/Multi-HT100M .	✓	0.30
The Multilingual-HowTo100M dataset extends the English HowTo100M dataset to contain subtitles in 9 languages for 1.2 mil	✓	0.23
Pre-training on multilingual text-video data enhances search performance by exploiting visual data as an implicit pivot	✓	0.30
The proposed method yields state-of-the-art English $\rightarrow$ video search performance on VTT and VATEX.	✓	0.21
The multilingual multimodal pre-training improves English-video pre-training by 2 $\sim$ 2.5 in average R@1 across 9 languages	✓	0.19
When trained with in-domain multilingual annotations, the method outperforms other baselines by a large margin in multil	✓	0.29
The proposed transformer-based video-text model learns contextual multilingual multimodal representations.	✓	0.18
Vision-language models have limited zero-shot cross-lingual transferrability compared to NLP models.	✓	0.19
The multilingual multimodal pre-training strategy and the Multi-HowTo100M dataset are introduced to improve the zero-sho	✓	0.20
The approach achieves state-of-the-art multilingual text $\rightarrow$ video search in a supervised setup.	×	0.14

References

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