Supplemental Materials on Guided Interactive Video Object Segmentation Using Reliability-Based Attention Maps

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S-1. User Study

We conducted a user study with 12 participants to assess the proposed GIS algorithm in real applications, as described in Section 4.3 in the main paper. Table S-1 lists detailed results for each user: seconds per video (SPV), rounds per video (RPV), and J&F scores. Note that the average performances over all 12 users are reported in Table 4 in the main paper. Proposed-RS1 enabled most users to finish the interactive segmentation most quickly, requiring the fewest SPV. This is because it does not need the inspection time to select a frame to be annotated. Also, in terms of the three metrics, the proposed algorithm, regardless of its method (w/o RS, RS1, or RS4), is preferred to the conventional algorithm [7] by all users, except for only a few exceptions (*e.g.* User 7 required 1.52 RPV using [7], while 1.57 RPV using Proposed-RS1). Figure S-1 illustrates how a user performed the interactive VOS using Proposed-RS4.

Table S-1: Detailed user study results. The best results are boldfaced.

		User 1	User 2	User 3	User 4	User 5	User 6	User 7	User 8	User 9	User 10	User 11	User 12
SPV	Heo et al. [7]	52.8	70.9	85.3	46.4	54.9	116.5	39.8	52.7	79.7	36.8	57.6	108.6
	Proposed w/o RS	33.2	38.9	47.7	33.6	37.6	70.8	27.4	38.1	52.0	25.1	57.6	89.9
	Proposed-RS1	23.4	35.5	27.4	29.1	23.2	48.8	24.5	30.6	38.1	21.1	42.2	71.2
	Proposed-RS4	24.8	41.0	33.0	29.9	30.0	55.7	27.2	33.7	31.0	25.4	49.2	64.6
RPV	Heo et al. [7]	2.13	2.90	3.43	2.13	1.90	3.30	1.52	2.07	2.80	1.47	2.23	3.10
	Proposed w/o RS	1.60	2.00	2.03	1.40	1.57	2.27	1.33	1.57	2.30	1.33	2.23	3.07
	Proposed-RS1	1.43	2.17	1.63	1.80	1.53	1.97	1.57	1.50	1.97	1.40	1.87	3.00
	Proposed-RS4	1.33	2.03	1.83	1.53	1.67	1.97	1.47	1.43	1.53	1.37	1.90	2.30
J&F	Heo et al. [7]	0.753	0.775	0.776	0.750	0.756	0.799	0.754	0.768	0.782	0.698	0.813	0.808
	Proposed w/o RS	0.785	0.801	0.803	0.792	0.773	0.814	0.781	0.801	0.815	0.725	0.813	0.830
	Proposed-RS1	0.771	0.805	0.777	0.782	0.759	0.807	0.779	0.804	0.818	0.725	0.810	0.825
	Proposed-RS4	0.786	0.801	0.790	0.790	0.793	0.818	0.782	0.789	0.789	0.749	0.813	0.832

S-2. Analysis on R-scores

We analyze the correlation between R-scores and J&F scores. In Figure S-2, we compare the average R-scores and J&F scores over frames for each sequence in DAVIS2017 [26] according to the interaction rounds. To clarify the relationship between the average R-score and the average J&F score, we omit sequences that have higher J&F scores than 0.9 in the first round, because those sequences do not require guidance using R-scores. We see that R-scores and J&F scores are highly correlated and both of them tend to increase as the round progresses.

S-3. Implementation Details

Intersection-aware propagation: As mentioned in Section 3.2, Y_n is used to obtain the overlapped object feature. Specifically, Y_n is downsampled using the nearest-neighbor interpolation. Also, two convolution layers in the IAP module in Figure 5 have 256 filters of size 5×5 .

Segmentation head: We adopt the decoder architecture in [7] as the segmentation head in Figure 2. \mathbf{F}_t , \mathbf{G}_t , and \mathbf{H}_t are concatenated and then fed into a 1×1 convolution, which yields a feature of 512 channels. Using the output feature, the head generates segmentation results.



Figure S-1: Summary of how a user performed interactive VOS using Proposed-RS4. Yellow boxes are annotated frames, and red boxes are four guided frames provided by Proposed-RS4 in each round.



Figure S-2: Correlation between R-scores and J&F scores. Each video is represented in a different color.

Training: We employ the Adam optimizer to minimize the cross-entropy loss between segmentation prediction and the ground-truth. Starting with a learning rate of 1.0×10^{-5} , we decrease it by a factor of $\frac{1}{5}$ in every 20 epochs. The training is iterated for 60 epochs with 6 mini-sequence batches. It takes three days for the convergence.

S-4. Alternatives to Intersection-Aware Propagation

In Table 3, we replace the intersection-aware propagation (IAP) module with two existing propagation methods, local distance map (LDM) [20] and local transfer module (LTM) [7]. Instead of using the proposed overlapped object feature \mathbf{H}_t , we perform the replacement as follows. First, as in LDM, we compute a distance between two feature vectors $\mathbf{F}_t(p)$ and $\mathbf{F}_n(q)$ for pixels p and q, which is given by

$$d(p,q) = 1 - \frac{2}{1 + \exp\left(\|\phi_D(\mathbf{F}_t(p)) - \phi_D(\mathbf{F}_n(q))\|^2\right)}$$
(1)

where ϕ_D is a feature transform for LDM. Then, the local distance map L_t for target frame I_t is defined as

$$L_t(p) = \begin{cases} \min_{q \in \mathcal{O}_n \cap \mathcal{N}(p)} d(p, q) & \text{if } \mathcal{O}_n \cap \mathcal{N}(p) \neq \emptyset, \\ 1 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
(2)

where \mathcal{O}_n is the union set of pixels in the segmented object regions in the neighbor frame and $\mathcal{N}(p)$ is a 13 × 13 neighbor set of pixel p. Second, to implement LTM, we estimate a local affinity \mathbf{W}^{L} between two feature vectors $\mathbf{F}_t(p)$ and $\mathbf{F}_n(q)$,

$$\mathbf{W}^{\mathrm{L}}(p,q) = \begin{cases} \phi_T(\mathbf{F}_t(p)) \cdot \phi_T(\mathbf{F}_n(q))^T & q \in \mathcal{N}(p), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
(3)

where ϕ_T is a feature transform for LTM. Then \mathbf{W}^{L} is normalized column-by-column to the yield the transition matrix \mathbf{A}^{L} . By multiplying \mathbf{A}^{L} and the downsampled probability \hat{Y}_n^{L} from the neighboring probability map \hat{Y}_n , we obtain the output of LTM. Eventually, LDM and LTM replace IAP by employing $L_t \in \mathbb{R}^{HW \times 1}$ and $\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{L}} \hat{Y}_n^{\mathrm{L}} \in \mathbb{R}^{HW \times 1}$, instead of $\mathbf{H}_t \in \mathbb{R}^{HW \times C_3}$, respectively. Note that ϕ_D and ϕ_T output 128-channel features by employing 1×1 convolution.