

# SAMa: Material-aware 3D selection and segmentation

## Supplementary Material

In this supplemental document we provide additional details on training and implementation, as well as results that could not be included in the main text due to space restrictions. We strongly encourage the reader to view the videos in our supplemental HTML material for 3D selection visualizations, examples of our fine-tuning material dataset, and a video of our application GUI.

### A. Implementation details

#### A.1. Fine-tuning

As mentioned in paper Sec. 3, we fine-tune parts of the SAM2 [7] model on material-specific video data. For all our experiments, we use the model in its “large” configuration, employing the Hiera [8] image encoder with ca. 212M params, which yielded the best results in our experiments.

As the original SA-V [7] dataset, we encode our video dataset as MP4 videos with  $1024 \times 1024$  resolution and the annotations in CoCoRLE encoding for efficient storage.

Our video dataset sub-samples the video by skipping every other video frame to increase the intra-frame distance, and then randomly chooses sequences of six consecutive sub-sampled frames. For each material and each frame, we sample a click. We do not select a material if it is barely visible in the frames, *i.e.*, if it occupies less than 0.02% of the frame (150 pixels). We erode the material’s ground-truth mask before using it as a sampling mask, ensuring that the sampled click is at least four pixels away from the material’s border. We sample a positive click with 80% probability, and a negative click on a random other material with 20% and reverse the temporal order of the frame sequence with a chance of 50%. During the forward pass of the model, we use every other frame as a clicked frame and thus force the model to use its memory attention module to infer the selection for the intermediate, unclicked frames. Additionally, we make a random 50% choice between sampling the most salient material in the frame (with the highest number of annotated pixels) and any other material.

During training, we compute the per-frame loss on the model prediction and ground-truth annotation via the sum of two losses, a binary cross-entropy followed by a sigmoid (using the log-sum-exp [2] trick for numerical stability) and a sigmoid-normalized Dice loss [6] to account for the imbalance between (large) background and (smaller) material masks. We use the AdamW optimizer with weight decay 0.01 and learning rate  $1 \times 10^{-5}$ .

We additionally experiment with mixed video- and image-finetuning and find that the results perform roughly on-par with our video model when training on our video-

dataset and 20% of the Materialistic [9] data set mixed in. For simplicity, all results in the main text therefore use solely our video-finetuned model.

#### A.2. kNN lookup

As explained in the main text, we perform k-nearest neighbour (kNN) lookup into our similarity point cloud to infer the material selection for new, unseen views. Here, we take advantage of modern, GPU-accelerated large-scale queries via the FAISS library [3, 4].

Specifically, we use the INDEXFLATL2 index for exact search w.r.t. the points’  $L_2$  distance, encoded as an INDEX-IVFFLAT for compactness, with 100 clusters, and push it to the GPU (a cluster is a representative subset of the data that can be traversed efficiently and narrows down the search region during later query operations). This index, as mentioned in the main text, must be re-constructed after each new click, since the initial camera from which the click was performed will add to, and therefore change, the similarity point cloud. This re-construction takes around 0.5 seconds (all timings, including those in the main text, are reported on a single NVIDIA 40GB A100).

Once the index is built, we visit five clusters during the search for the top-k nearest neighbors. We found this number of visited clusters to be a hyperparameter which, even with the lowest setting of a single cluster, does not significantly deteriorate performance since the point cloud is relatively dense.

#### A.3. Camera subsampling

To infer the 2D similarities which will later be projected to 3D, we need to sub-sample a set of cameras that cover the object well. For NeRFs and 3D Gaussians, we sub-sample 20% of the training views, for meshes we use spherical Fibonacci sampling with 30 sampled cameras. Once we have sub-sampled the cameras, we need to sort them into a coherent, smooth trajectory to enable our video model to keep temporal consistency between the frames. We use a greedy iterative search to achieve a smooth trajectory from the initial camera, as detailed in Algorithm 1.

### B. Additional quantitative results

We here report a more detailed, per-scene evaluation of the metrics reported in the main text. The per-scene measurements for robustness and multiview-consistency are in Tab. 2 and Tab. 3, respectively.

Additionally, we report the per-scene selection accuracy as mean intersection over union (mIoU) and F1 scores. F1



Figure 1. Selection results on real-world scenes from the MIPNeRF360 dataset [1].



Figure 2. Exemplary visualizations of our annotated test frames from the MIPNeRF360 dataset [1].

is more robust than precision or recall alone, since either individual metric can easily be gamed by failure cases. Precision quantifies the relevance of the selected data (when the model says material A, is it really material A?), and can therefore easily be cheated by simply selecting a small amount of high-confidence elements (*e.g.*, in our case, just the clicked pixel). Recall quantifies the amount of returned relevant data (when there is material A, how much of it does the model find?), and can easily be deceived by always selecting all the elements (*e.g.*, in our case, a mask full of 1’s). We show both mIoU and F1, computed on the NeRF-, MIPNeRF360- and our dataset, in Tab. 4, Tab. 5 and Tab. 1, respectively. We perform the evaluation on 3D Gaussians for rendering speed. For the real-world scenes from the

MIPNeRF dataset, we found the Gaussian’s depth to not be sufficiently accurate and therefore use NeRFacto [10].

The quantitative evaluation confirms our qualitative findings: our method consistently performs well for the task of material selection, beating the other baselines in the majority of cases. In select cases, for instance the MIC scene from the NeRF dataset (see Tab. 4), SAM2 wins in terms of selection accuracy, since the materials of the object are visually indistinguishable from one another and applied to the object’s subparts, which have a tendency to be selected by SAM2. Both Materialistic-based baselines under-perform in all experiments. This can be attributed in part to the fact that they are not multiview consistent, but, equally important, to the fact that the underlying model generally attends to coarser structures (due to the different ViT patchsizes, see Fig. 3) and is not sufficiently sensitive to object (sub-)parts.

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**Algorithm 1** Camera trajectory sorting, starting from an initial camera. CALCNORMS calculates the spatio-angular distances between a given camera and all other cameras.

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**Input:** initial camera  $i$ , other cameras  $o$

**Output:** sorted cameras

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1: procedure SAMPLECAMERATRAJECTORY
2:    $curr \leftarrow i$  ▷ set current camera
3:    $sorted \leftarrow [curr]$  ▷ initialize sorted cameras list
4:   while  $len(o) > 0$  do
5:      $norms \leftarrow CALCNORMS(curr, o)$ 
6:      $cidx \leftarrow \text{argmin}(norms)$  ▷ closest to current
7:      $sorted.append(o[cidx])$ 
8:      $curr \leftarrow o[cidx]$ 
9:      $o[cidx].pop()$ 
10:  end while
11:  return sorted
12: end procedure

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### C. Additional qualitative results

We show additional examples of recoloring NeRFs based on our material-selection in Fig. 6.

We show examples of our hand-annotated frames from the MIPNeRF dataset which we used for evaluation in Fig. 2. Additionally, we show examples of material selection on real-world scenes from these MIPNeRF360 scenes [1] in Fig. 1.

As claimed in the main text, our frame duplication strategy not only improves SAMa’s predictions, but also helps to improve prediction confidence on the original SAM2 architecture, which we visualize in Fig. 5.

To add to our robustness evaluation, we show a qualitative example of how robust the methods are to different clicks on the same material in Fig. 4.

Finally, in Fig. 7, we show a comparison against Garfield

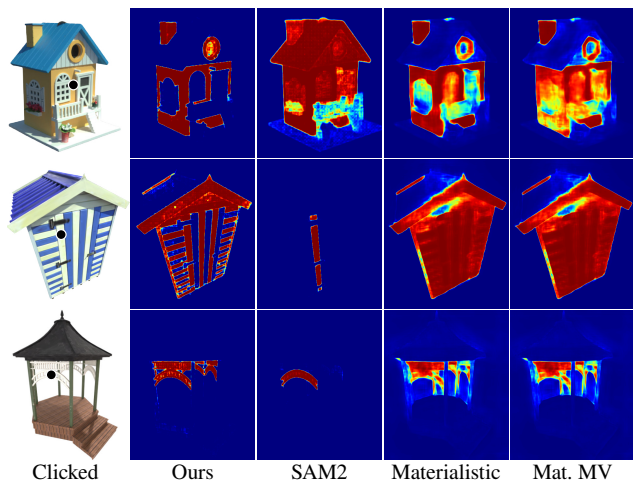


Figure 3. 2D selection results of the different methods for various models. We do not perform any point cloud lookup or novel view inference, the shown heatmap is obtained by directly feeding the clicked frame to the model.

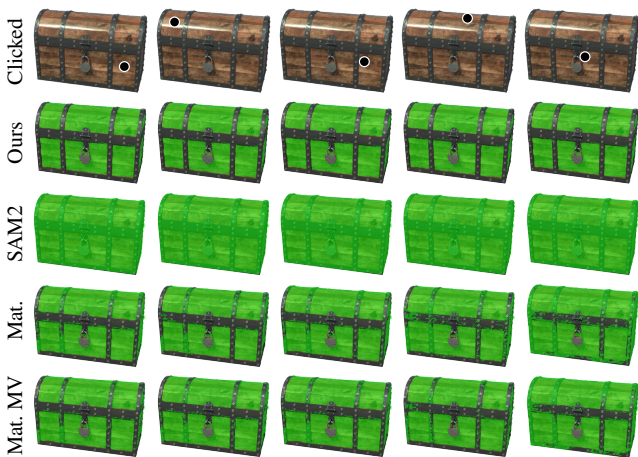


Figure 4. Robustness of the different approaches (rows) for clicks on different locations of the same material (columns).

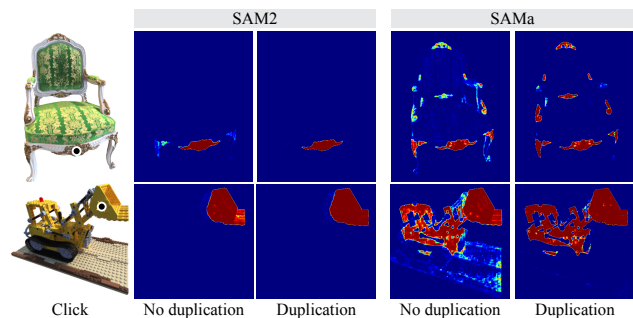


Figure 5. The effects of our frame duplication strategy translate from our SAMa model to the original SAM2 model.

[5], which requires asset-specific pre-training and does not target materials. In contrast, our approach works with arbitrary assets *without* asset-specific pre-training, as it merely needs to render the existing 3D asset to images and back-



Figure 6. Additional examples of editing the NeRF's color based on the user's selected material.

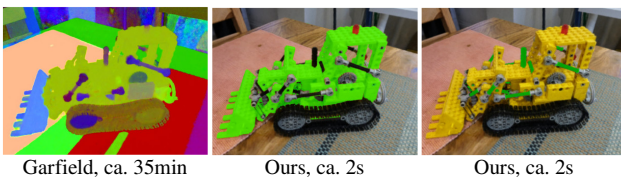


Figure 7. Comparison to Garfield [5], which cannot be run without asset-specific pre-training and does not target material selection.

project the obtained similarity values. Our times from click-to-selection are therefore around three orders of magnitude faster.

We also show the 2D material selection accuracy for all models in Fig. 3. From this figure, it becomes evident that the SAM-based methods benefit significantly from the smaller patchsize of the image encoder: Hiera, the encoder used by the SAM2 architecture (Ours, SAM2) uses a four-times smaller patchsize of  $4 \times 4$ , whereas Materialistic-based methods employ DINO features, which use a patchsize of  $8 \times 8$ , resulting in blurrier edges. We would like to emphasize that the input resolution is the same for all models, 512p. Moreover, we observe that our model deals well with perspective distortion (middle row in Fig. 3) and low-contrast input (bottom row in Fig. 3).

Finally, we show thumbnail renderings of our synthetic dataset in Fig. 8.

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|                  | WCHAIR |      | COFFEE |      | PERFUME |      | CHEST |      | COUCH |      | BIKE |      | HUT  |      | BURGER |      | PLANT |      | POSTBOX |      | CAR  |      | POOLTABLE |      |
|------------------|--------|------|--------|------|---------|------|-------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|------|-------|------|---------|------|------|------|-----------|------|
|                  | mIoU   | F1   | mIoU   | F1   | mIoU    | F1   | mIoU  | F1   | mIoU  | F1   | mIoU | F1   | mIoU | F1   | mIoU   | F1   | mIoU  | F1   | mIoU    | F1   | mIoU | F1   | mIoU      | F1   |
| Ours             | 0.73   | 0.84 | 0.91   | 0.95 | 0.92    | 0.96 | 0.82  | 0.90 | 0.41  | 0.56 | 0.71 | 0.83 | 0.79 | 0.88 | 0.89   | 0.94 | 0.79  | 0.88 | 0.94    | 0.97 | 0.34 | 0.51 | 0.57      | 0.73 |
| SAM2             | 0.44   | 0.60 | 0.47   | 0.64 | 0.91    | 0.96 | 0.41  | 0.56 | 0.09  | 0.16 | 0.22 | 0.36 | 0.17 | 0.25 | 0.57   | 0.72 | 0.26  | 0.41 | 0.69    | 0.81 | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.12      | 0.21 |
| Materialistic    | 0.51   | 0.67 | 0.51   | 0.68 | 0.81    | 0.89 | 0.46  | 0.61 | 0.18  | 0.30 | 0.63 | 0.77 | 0.44 | 0.61 | 0.25   | 0.40 | 0.74  | 0.85 | 0.91    | 0.95 | 0.11 | 0.19 | 0.15      | 0.26 |
| Materialistic MV | 0.61   | 0.75 | 0.48   | 0.64 | 0.89    | 0.94 | 0.51  | 0.65 | 0.17  | 0.29 | 0.57 | 0.73 | 0.52 | 0.69 | 0.53   | 0.67 | 0.75  | 0.86 | 0.94    | 0.97 | 0.10 | 0.18 | 0.25      | 0.40 |

Table 1. Per-scene metrics on our synthetic dataset for the different scenes (columns) and methods (rows). Higher is better.

|                  | LEGO | HOTDOG | SHIP | FICUS | MIC  | DRUMS | MATERIALS | CHAIR | GARDEN | KITCHEN | COUNTER | TREEHILL | BICYCLE |
|------------------|------|--------|------|-------|------|-------|-----------|-------|--------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
|                  | Ours | 0.21   | 1.01 | 1.68  | 0.45 | 2.89  | 0.85      | 1.47  | 0.25   | 0.38    | 0.19    | 1.25     | 2.79    |
| SAM2             | 0.43 | 1.04   | 2.55 | 0.46  | 1.75 | 0.43  | 0.33      | 3.03  | 0.76   | 4.41    | 0.22    | 1.51     | 7.68    |
| Materialistic    | 4.33 | 2.69   | 2.62 | 2.40  | 3.10 | 2.48  | 3.69      | 3.88  | 10.24  | 6.16    | 13.51   | 4.83     | 5.90    |
| Materialistic MV | 7.37 | 3.17   | 2.33 | 2.99  | 4.38 | 2.51  | 3.67      | 4.82  | 3.27   | 2.35    | 5.04    | 4.47     | 2.52    |

|                  | WCHAIR | COFFEE | PERFUME | CHEST | COUCH | BIKE | HUT  | BURGER | PLANT | POSTBOX | CAR  | POOLTABLE |
|------------------|--------|--------|---------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|-------|---------|------|-----------|
|                  | Ours   | 0.06   | 0.09    | 0.01  | 0.12  | 0.60 | 0.95 | 0.87   | 0.04  | 0.61    | 0.15 | 0.43      |
| SAM2             | 0.10   | 0.01   | 0.51    | 0.02  | 0.34  | 0.45 | 2.25 | 0.60   | 0.02  | 3.31    | 1.17 | 0.05      |
| Materialistic    | 0.42   | 0.73   | 0.50    | 1.28  | 4.80  | 2.53 | 2.63 | 1.16   | 0.60  | 0.71    | 1.86 | 4.88      |
| Materialistic MV | 0.19   | 0.85   | 0.61    | 2.30  | 4.83  | 2.34 | 5.46 | 2.97   | 2.35  | 0.68    | 1.25 | 1.95      |

Table 2. Per-scene (columns) breakdown of our robustness evaluation metric for all methods (rows) from the main text. Lower is better. The NeRF- and MIPNeRF360-scenes are in the top sub-table, our custom scenes in the bottom sub-table. This only evaluates the robustness and not whether the selection is correct.

|                  | LEGO | HOTDOG | SHIP | FICUS | MIC  | DRUMS | MATERIALS | CHAIR | GARDEN | KITCHEN | COUNTER | TREEHILL | BICYCLE |
|------------------|------|--------|------|-------|------|-------|-----------|-------|--------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
|                  | Ours | 0.91   | 1.20 | 2.20  | 0.30 | 5.64  | 0.62      | 5.77  | 0.85   | 0.18    | 0.72    | 0.87     | 1.32    |
| SAM2             | 2.99 | 1.44   | 3.03 | 0.37  | 1.46 | 0.94  | 1.54      | 6.13  | 0.28   | 1.04    | 0.40    | 1.43     | 2.77    |
| Materialistic    | 5.18 | 4.57   | 7.98 | 0.62  | 4.59 | 1.77  | 12.59     | 6.56  | 2.59   | 4.40    | 2.29    | 9.06     | 5.92    |
| Materialistic MV | 2.79 | 4.87   | 2.97 | 0.45  | 4.26 | 1.00  | 8.58      | 6.32  | 2.15   | 2.11    | 0.89    | 9.00     | 6.36    |

|                  | WCHAIR | COFFEE | PERFUME | CHEST | COUCH | BIKE | HUT   | BURGER | PLANT | POSTBOX | CAR   | POOLTABLE |
|------------------|--------|--------|---------|-------|-------|------|-------|--------|-------|---------|-------|-----------|
|                  | Ours   | 0.89   | 0.31    | 0.26  | 1.16  | 1.05 | 1.17  | 3.46   | 0.32  | 0.61    | 0.69  | 1.61      |
| SAM2             | 1.60   | 1.61   | 0.47    | 4.03  | 1.98  | 5.58 | 16.63 | 1.54   | 0.68  | 2.69    | 2.88  | 20.95     |
| Materialistic    | 3.12   | 2.72   | 0.73    | 8.12  | 3.61  | 2.92 | 13.27 | 7.32   | 2.33  | 0.93    | 13.79 | 10.66     |
| Materialistic MV | 1.78   | 3.11   | 0.30    | 6.79  | 2.08  | 2.32 | 11.04 | 4.07   | 1.90  | 0.61    | 16.89 | 5.40      |

Table 3. Per-scene (columns) breakdown of our multiview-consistency evaluation metric for all methods (rows) from the main text. Lower is better. The NeRF- and MIPNeRF360-scenes are in the top sub-table, our custom scenes in the bottom sub-table. This only evaluates the multiview-consistency and not whether the selection is correct.

|                  | LEGO |      | HOTDOG |      | SHIP |      | FICUS |      | MIC  |      | DRUMS |      | MATERIALS |      | CHAIR |      |
|------------------|------|------|--------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|-------|------|-----------|------|-------|------|
|                  | mIoU | F1   | mIoU   | F1   | mIoU | F1   | mIoU  | F1   | mIoU | F1   | mIoU  | F1   | mIoU      | F1   | mIoU  | F1   |
| Ours             | 0.78 | 0.87 | 0.87   | 0.93 | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.68  | 0.81 | 0.24 | 0.39 | 0.25  | 0.39 | 0.16      | 0.27 | 0.76  | 0.87 |
| SAM2             | 0.05 | 0.09 | 0.77   | 0.87 | 0.10 | 0.18 | 0.68  | 0.81 | 0.51 | 0.68 | 0.07  | 0.14 | 0.10      | 0.18 | 0.35  | 0.52 |
| Materialistic    | 0.22 | 0.36 | 0.17   | 0.29 | 0.10 | 0.17 | 0.63  | 0.77 | 0.19 | 0.32 | 0.18  | 0.31 | 0.12      | 0.21 | 0.30  | 0.46 |
| Materialistic MV | 0.42 | 0.36 | 0.23   | 0.37 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.64  | 0.78 | 0.17 | 0.29 | 0.19  | 0.13 | 0.14      | 0.22 | 0.32  | 0.29 |

Table 4. Per-scene metrics on the NeRF datasets for the different scenes (columns) and methods (rows). Higher is better.

|                  | GARDEN |      | KITCHEN |      | COUNTER |      | TREEHILL |      | BICYCLE |      |
|------------------|--------|------|---------|------|---------|------|----------|------|---------|------|
|                  | mIoU   | F1   | mIoU    | F1   | mIoU    | F1   | mIoU     | F1   | mIoU    | F1   |
| Ours             | 0.85   | 0.92 | 0.85    | 0.92 | 0.74    | 0.85 | 0.30     | 0.46 | 0.27    | 0.43 |
| SAM2             | 0.70   | 0.82 | 0.62    | 0.76 | 0.65    | 0.79 | 0.34     | 0.50 | 0.22    | 0.36 |
| Materialistic    | 0.34   | 0.49 | 0.65    | 0.79 | 0.27    | 0.43 | 0.16     | 0.28 | 0.13    | 0.23 |
| Materialistic MV | 0.13   | 0.28 | 0.75    | 0.86 | 0.34    | 0.56 | 0.25     | 0.37 | 0.15    | 0.25 |

Table 5. Per-scene metrics on our hand-annotated images from the MIPNeRF360 dataset for the different scenes (columns) and methods (rows). For both metrics, higher is better.

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Figure 8. Our dataset of synthetic objects. Each object has dense material annotations.

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