

INCREMENTAL LEARNING IN SEMANTIC SEGMENTATION

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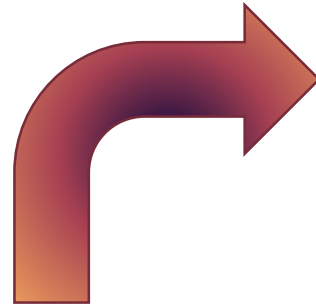


INTRODUCTION

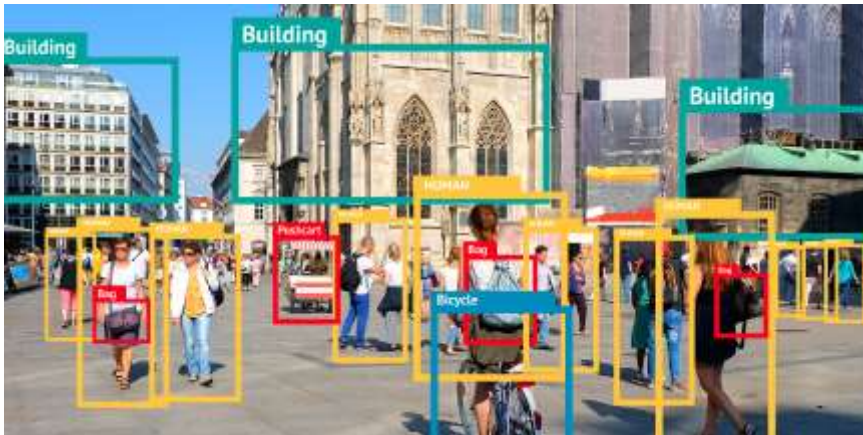


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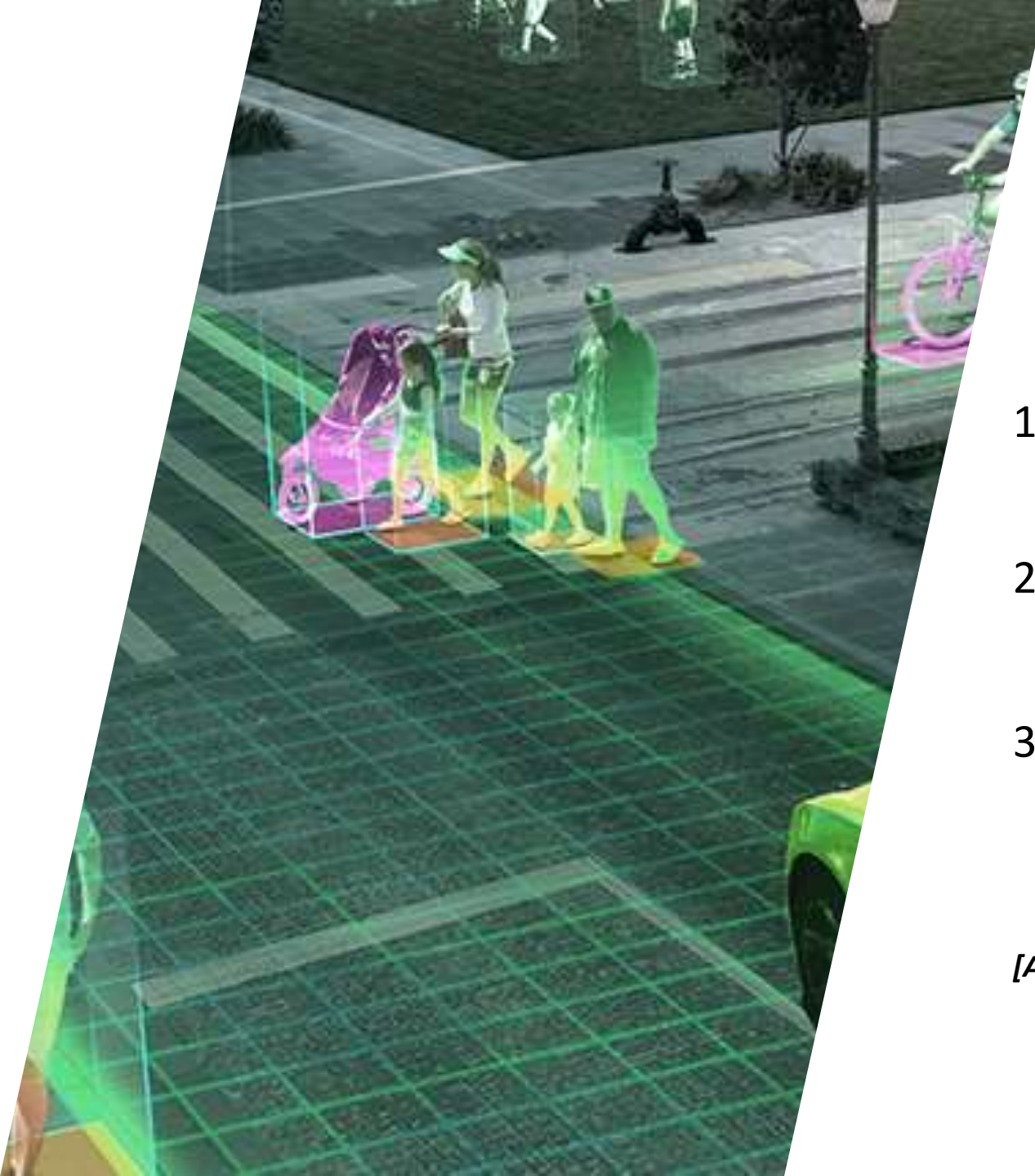
(Offline) Semantic Segmentation



Object Detection



Incremental Semantic Segmentation



PROJECT'S STEPS

- 1) Implementation of BiSeNet Architecture in an **Offline Scenario**: Hyperparameters tuning
- 2) Testing of BiSeNet in an **Incremental Learning Setting**, following the MiB protocol
- 3) Our Contribution: Incremental Learning setting with **Weak Supervision** using pseudo-labels generated by SEAM

[All the settings are trained for 30 epochs]





BISENET:

BILATERAL SEGMENTATION NETWORK



BISENET

RELATED WORKS

Offline Semantic Segmentation:

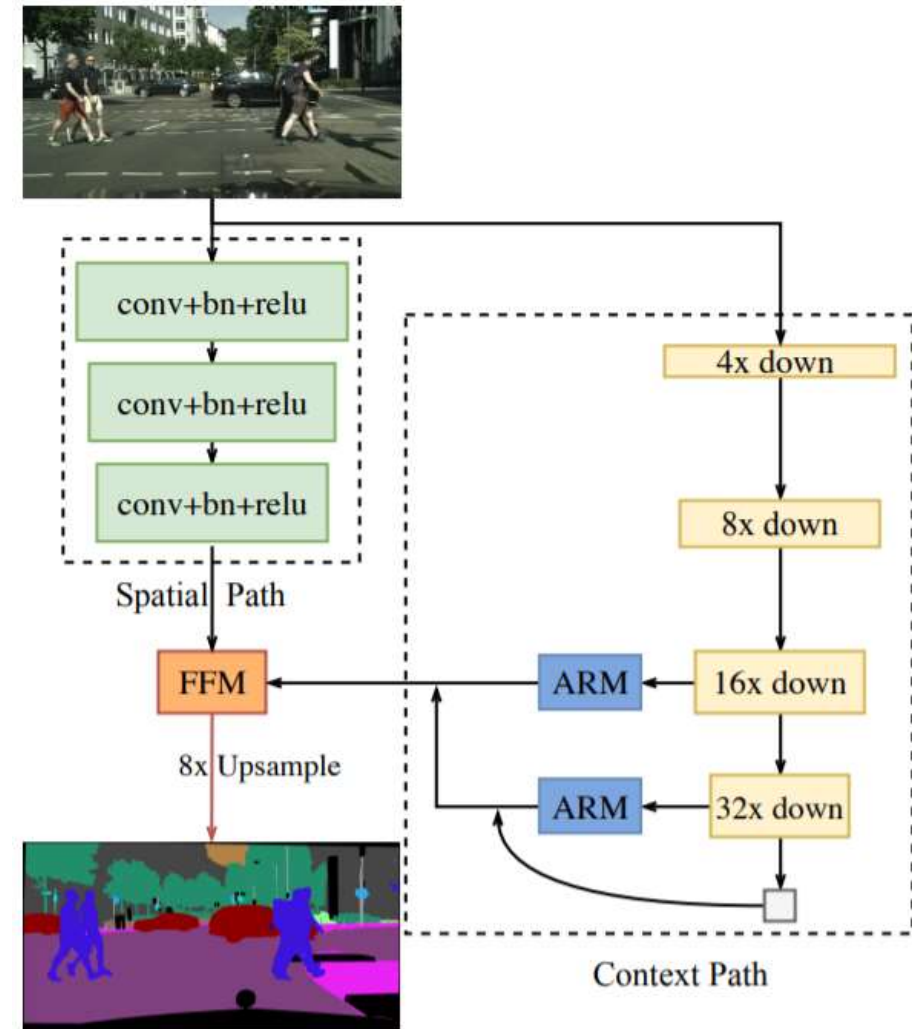
Good trade-off between Speed and Performances

Spatial Path:

1. Preserves spatial size of the original input image
2. Addresses the dropping of spatial information

Context Path:

1. Addresses the shrinkage of receptive fields
2. Utilizes lightweight model and an Attention Refinement Module (**ARM**)

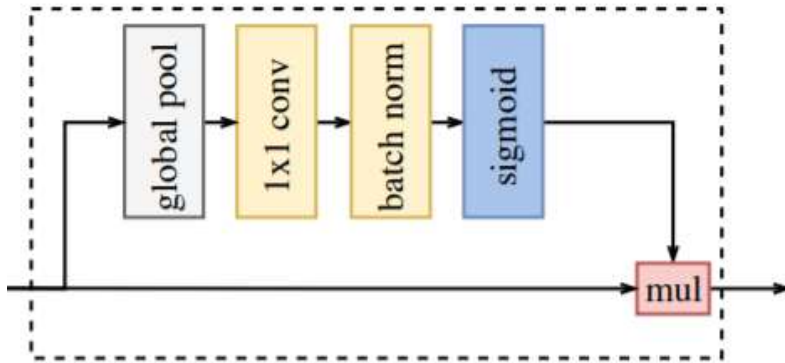


(a) Network Architecture

Changqian Yu, Jingbo Wang, Chao Peng, Changxin Gao, Gang Yu, Nong Sang:
BiSeNet: Bilateral Segmentation Network for Real-time Semantic Segmentation. In ECCV 2018.

BISENET

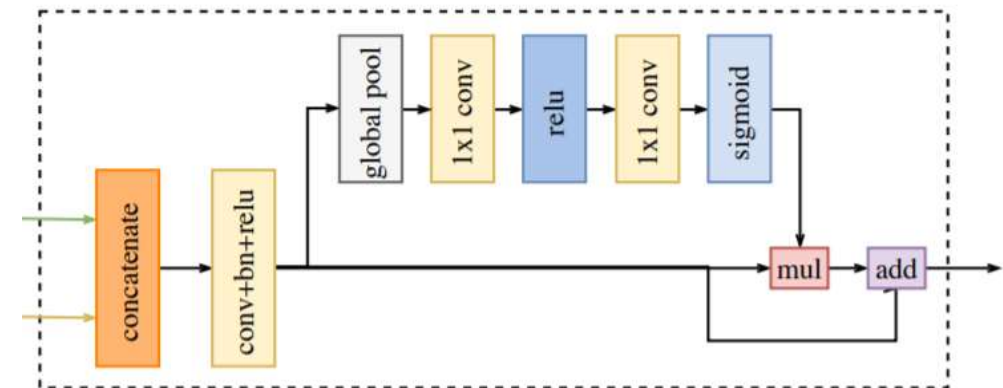
RELATED WORKS



Attention Refinement Module (ARM)

Feature Fusion Module (FFM):

1. Merges the two paths results
2. Scales the different features and re-weights them
3. Computes feature selection and combination



Feature Fusion Module (FFM)

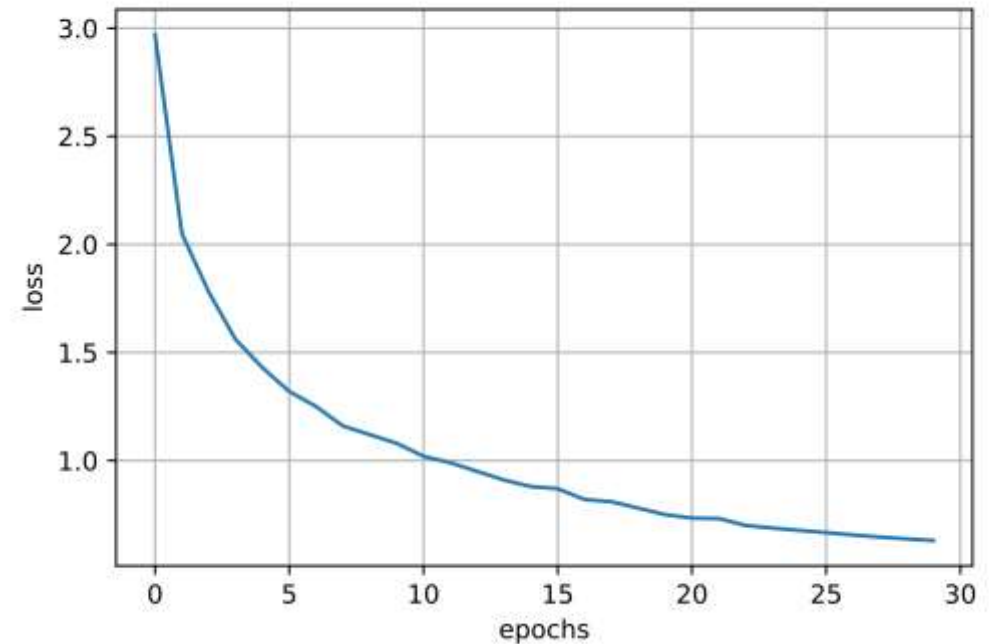
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BISENET

LOSS

Loss Function:

1. Combination of **Principal** Loss + **2 Auxiliary** Losses which supervise the output of the Context Path
2. All the loss functions are based on **Softmax** functions
3. In BiSeNet, $\alpha = 1$ and $k=3$



$$L(X, W) = l_p(X, W) + \alpha \sum_{i=2}^k l_i(X_i, W)$$

Changqian Yu, Jingbo Wang, Chao Peng, Changxin Gao, Gang Yu, Nong Sang:

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BISENET: OFFLINE HYPERPARAMETERS TUNING

EXPERIMENTS AND RESULTS

Backbone	Learning Rate	Batch Size	Precision	mIoU
ResNet18	0.001	16	88.0	53.3
ResNet18	0.002	32	88.9	54.2
ResNet50	0.001	16	90.6	64.0
ResNet101	0.001	16	90.1	62
ResNet101	0.002	16	91.3	66.9

CHOSEN MODEL

[In all the settings Data Augmentation is applied: Rotation, Vertical and Horizontal Flips, Crop and Color Jittering]



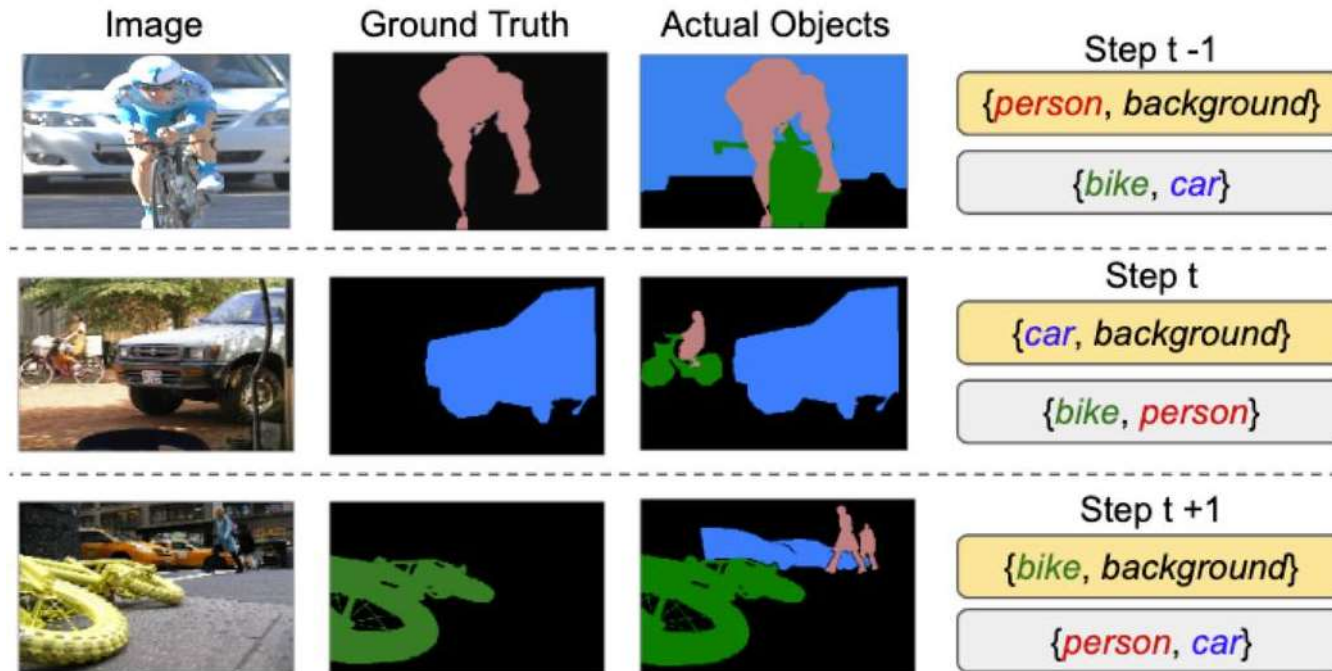
MIB:

MODELLING THE BACKGROUND



MIB

RELATED WORKS



Incremental Semantic Segmentation:

1. Address the shift of Background Class
2. Handles Catastrophic Forgetting
3. Revisiting the classical distillation framework by introducing two novel loss terms

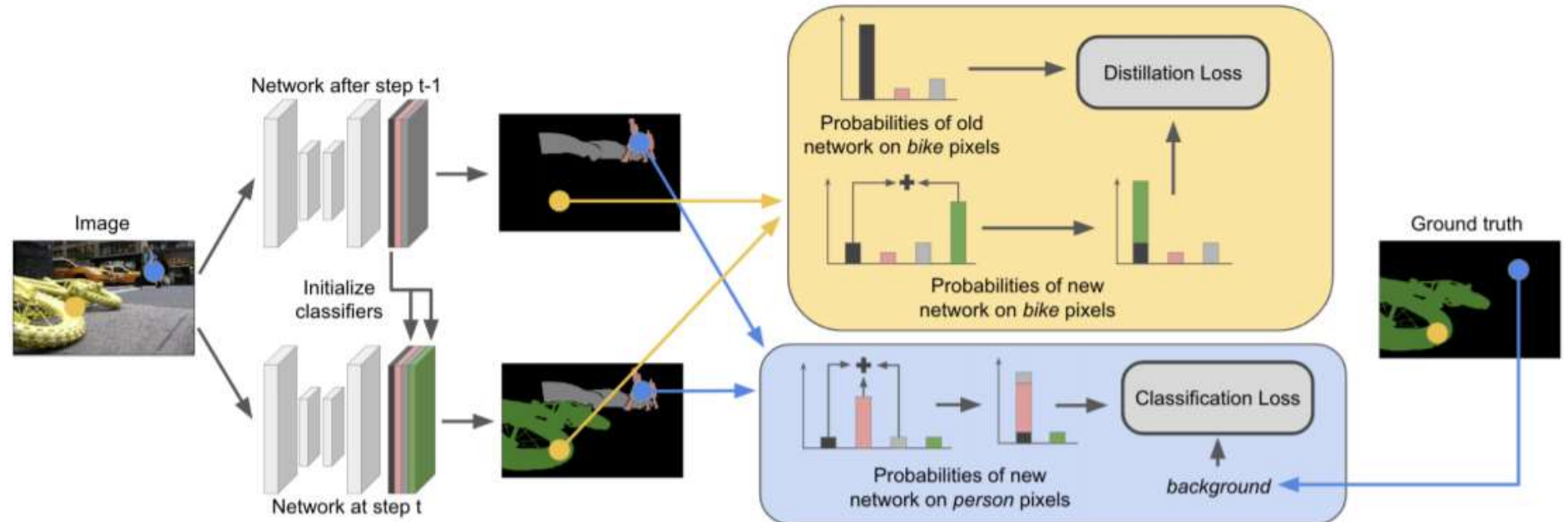
Fabio Cermelli, Massimiliano Mancini, Samuel Rota Bulò, Elisa Ricci, Barbara Caputo:
Modeling the Background for Incremental Learning in Semantic Segmentation. In CVPR 2020.

MIB

LOSS

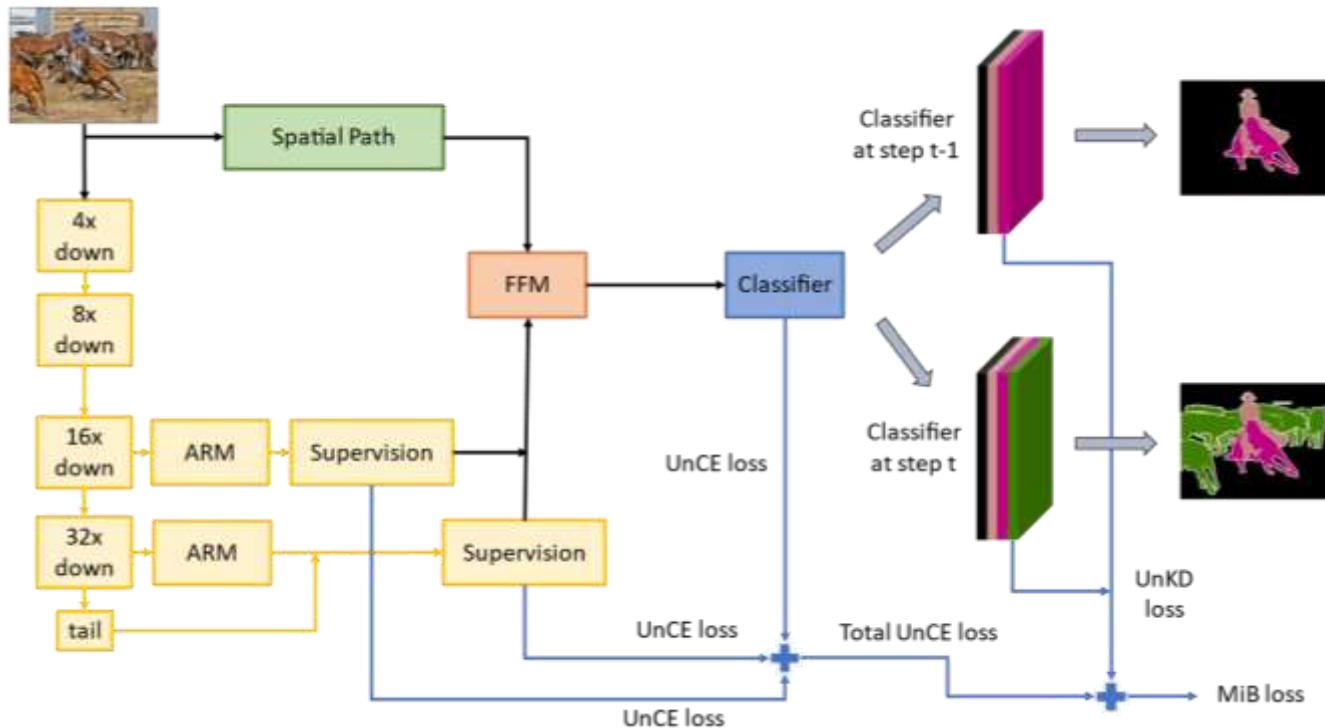
$$L(\theta^t) = \frac{1}{|T^t|} \sum_{(x,y) \in T^t} (l_{ce}^{\theta^t}(x, y) + \lambda l_{kd}^{\theta^t}(x))$$

1. **Distillation Loss:**
to preserve old knowledge
2. **Classification Loss:**
to learn new classes



BISENET IMPLEMENTATION INSIDE MIB

METHODS



Revisiting Losses:
Combination of MiB and BiSeNet to
avoid compatibility issues

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Distillation Loss → computed on the FFM output

MiB Revisited CE Loss → $L_{CE} = l_{FFM} + \sum_{i=2}^k l_{cx_i}$

1. Principal Loss computed on the FFM output
2. Two auxiliary Losses computed on the context path outputs

BISENET INTO MIB: INCREMENTAL SETTING

EXPERIMENTS AND RESULTS

mIoU	15-5			15-1		
	1-15	16-20	All	1-15	16-20	All
FT	5.2	32.5	12.0	1.3	4.1	2.0
LWF	51.6	63.2	47.7	5.3	7.8	5.9
ILT	59.1	35.8	53.3	3.4	6.3	4.1
MiB	63.4	40.9	58.2	16.1	7.9	14.2
Joint	76.6	69.9	74.9	76.6	67.9	74.9

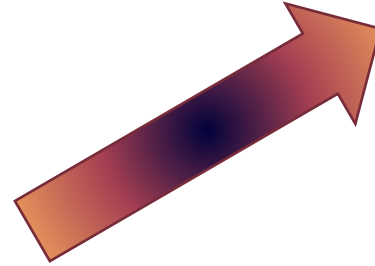
Experiments are made using two different database splitting:

1. **15-5:** 15 classes for the first training step and 5 classes in the second incremental step
2. **15-1:** same 15 starting classes, then 1 single class is learnt in each of the 5 incremental steps

[FT= Fine-Tuning ---- LWF= Learning Without Forgetting ---- ILT= Incremental Learning Tehniques]

PROBLEM: WEAK SUPERVISION

OUR CONTRIBUTION



What if....?



Image with Segmentations



Sky, Building,
Road, Sidewalk,
Fence, Vegetation,
Pole, Sign, Car,
Pedestrian, Cyclist

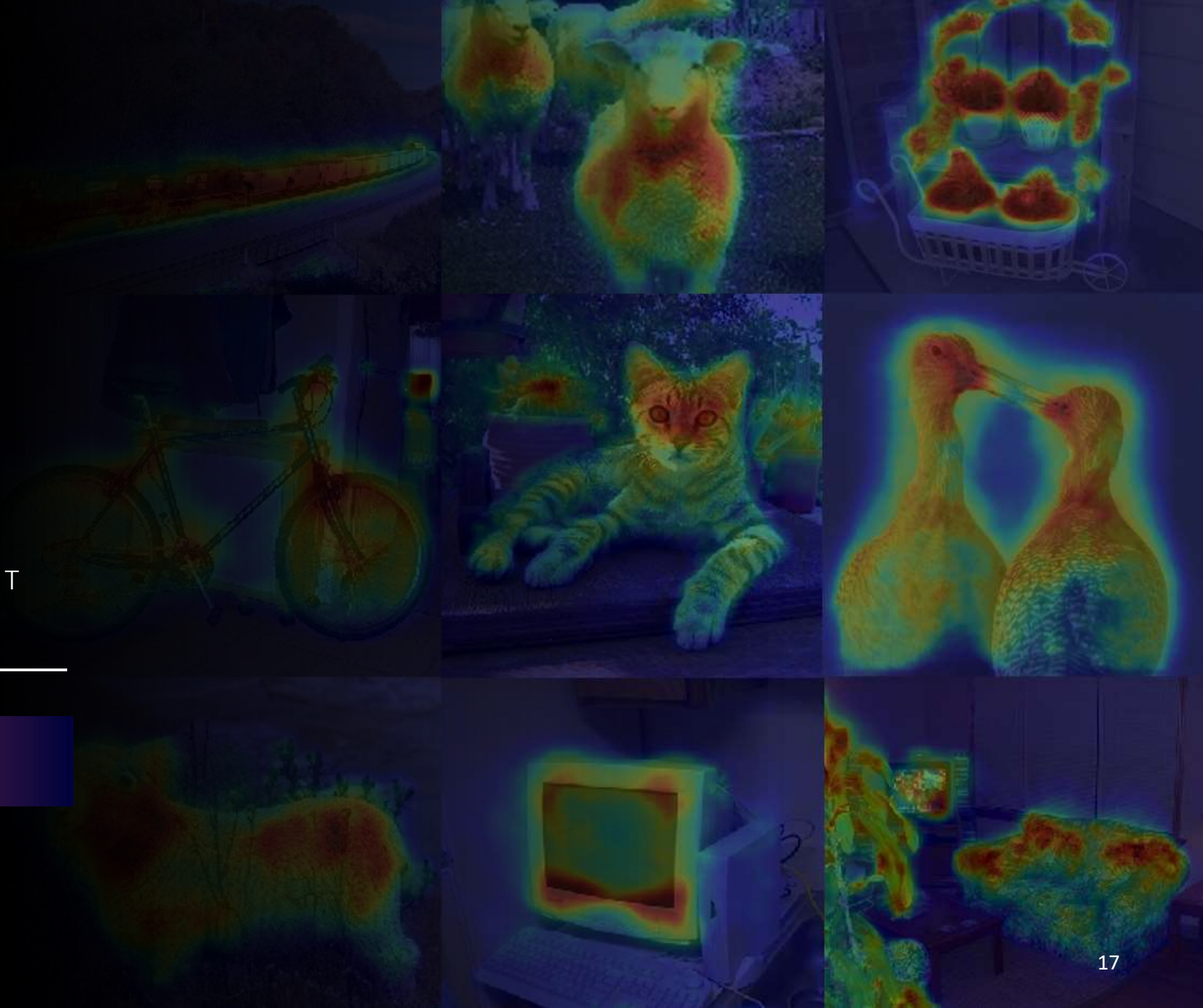


List of Classes



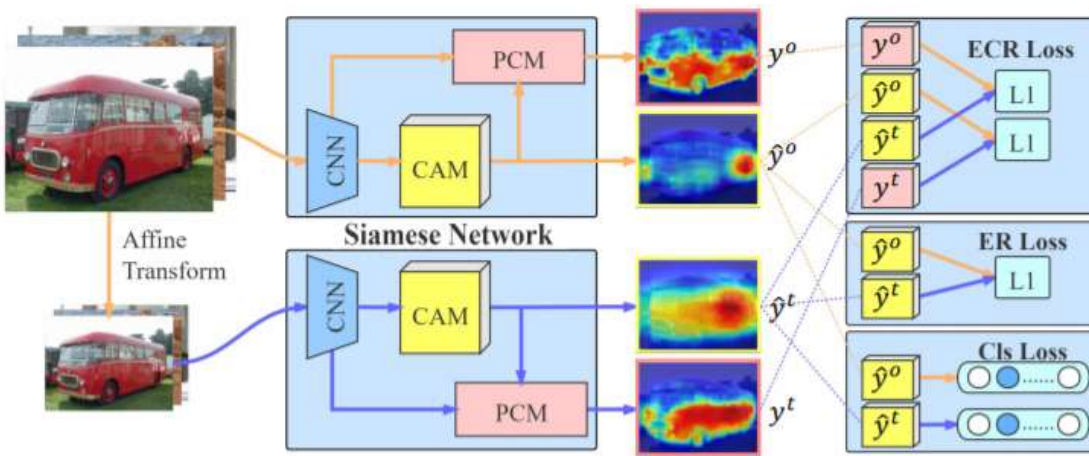
SEAM:

SELF-SUPERVISED EQUIVARIANT
ATTENTION MECHANISM



SEAM

RELATED WORKS



Weak Supervision: Localize object from labels

Main **CAM problem**: over-activation in the zone of the image corresponding to the most significant part of the object

How SEAM try to solve it:

1. **Siamese Network** with an equivariant cross regularization (**ECR**) loss to efficiently couple the PCM and self-supervision
2. **Pixel Correlation Module (PCM)** to narrow the supervision gap between fully and weakly supervised semantic segmentation

Yude Wang, Jie Zhang, Meina Kan, Shiguang Shan, Xilin Chen:

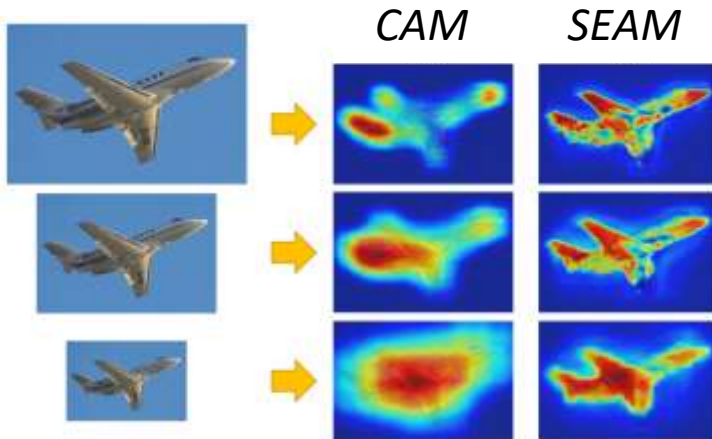
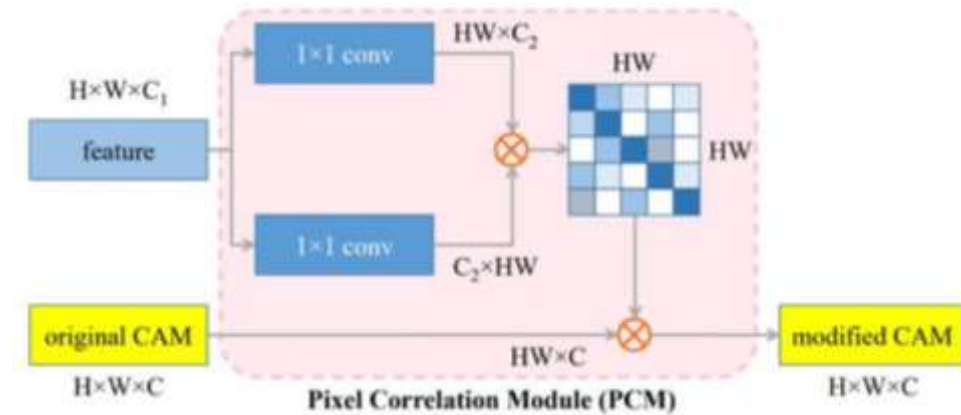
Self-supervised Equivariant Attention Mechanism for Weakly Supervised Semantic Segmentation. In CVPR 2020.

SEAM

RELATED WORKS- LOSS

Pixel Correlation Module (PCM):

1. Takes features from an extractor
2. Two different 1x1 Convolutions
3. Merge the result with the ones produced by original CAM to obtain the new modified CAM



Loss:

1. **Classification Loss** to roughly localize objects
2. **ER Loss** to narrow the gap between pixel and image-level supervisions
3. **ECR Loss** to make predictions over various affine transformations

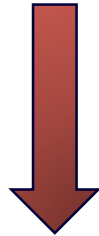
$$L = L_{ECR} + L_{cls} + L_{ER}$$

SEAM PSEUDO-LABEL FOR THE INCREMENTAL STEP

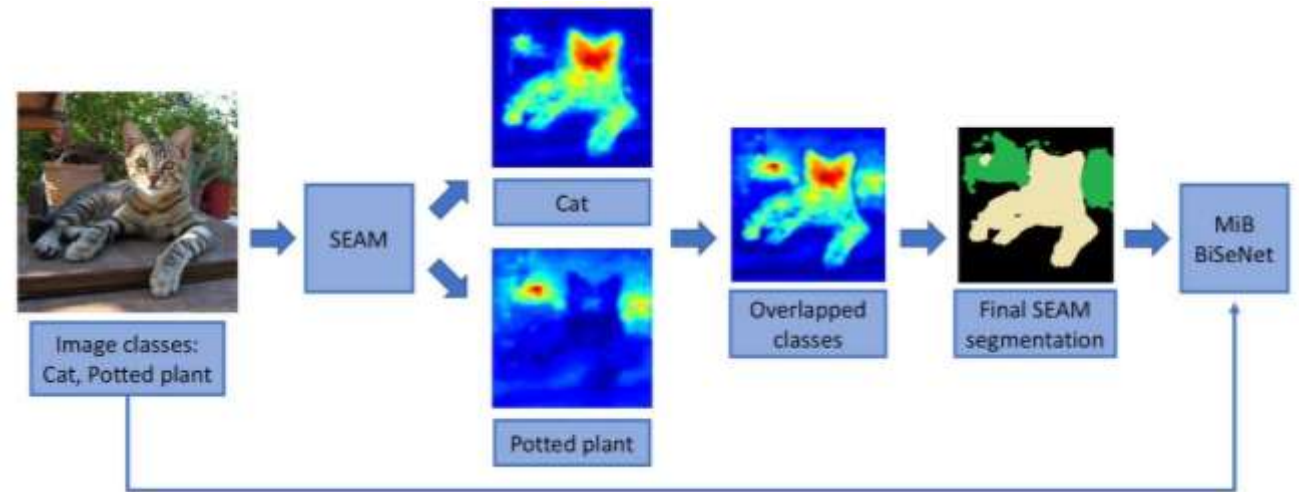
METHODS

Weak Supervision

- ~~Annotated and classified Pixels~~
- List of classes for each image as label ✓



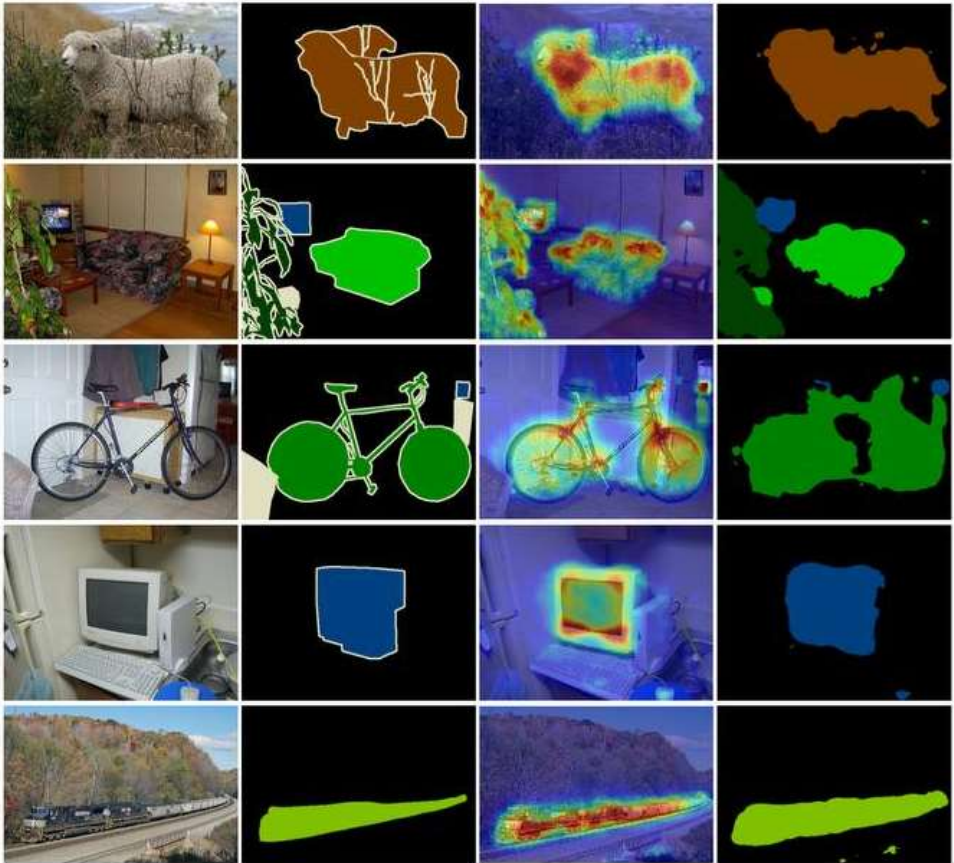
Generation of pseudo-label as ground truth for the incremental step through SEAM neural network



Incremental MiB step using SEAM segmentation labels

SEAM: WEAK SUPERVISION

EXPERIMENTS AND RESULTS



Original Image

Original Segmentation

SEAM Probability Map

SEAM segmentation

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SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

CONCLUSION



SUMMARY

ANALYSIS OF THE MOST STUDIED SEMANTIC SEGMENTATION ISSUES

- **Offline Semantic Segmentation:** BiSeNet Architecture
- Implementation of BiSeNet in an **Incremental** Scenario
- **MiB** to handle catastrophic forgetting and the shift of the background problem

OUR CONTRIBUTION

- **Weak Supervision:** Development of a pipeline using **SEAM** to generate segmentation pseudo-labels
- Incremental train step in MiB using these **Pseudo-Label** as ground truth to learn new classes



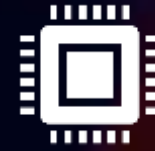
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