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# Random Path Selection for Incremental Learning

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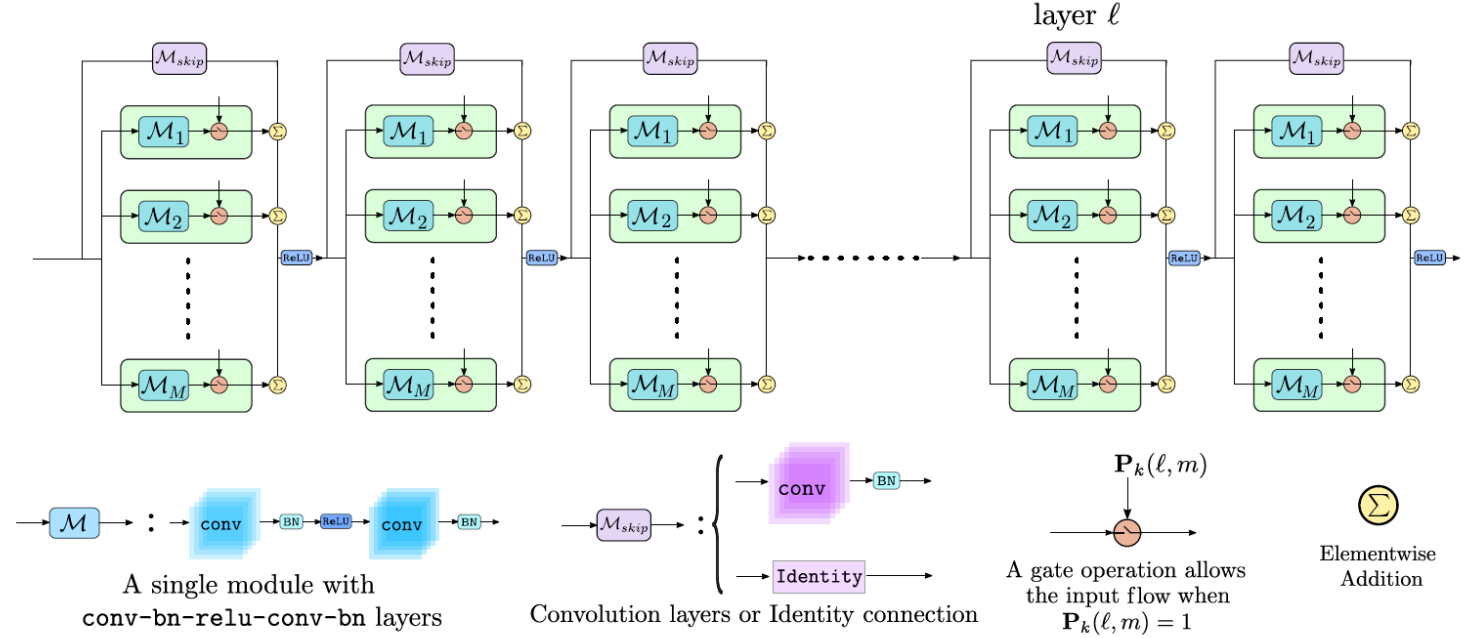


Figure 1: *An overview of our RPS-Net:* The network architecture utilizes a parallel residual design where the optimal path is selected among a set of randomly sampled candidate paths for new tasks. The residual design allows forward knowledge transfer and faster convergence for later tasks. The random path selection approach is trained with a hybrid objective function that ensures the right trade-off between network stability and plasticity, thus avoiding catastrophic forgetting.

路径选择:

- 每  $J$  个任务选择一次路径 (不合理)
- 训练时, 只有一条路径被训练 (合理)
- 测试时, 以往选中的路径同时使用 (不合理)

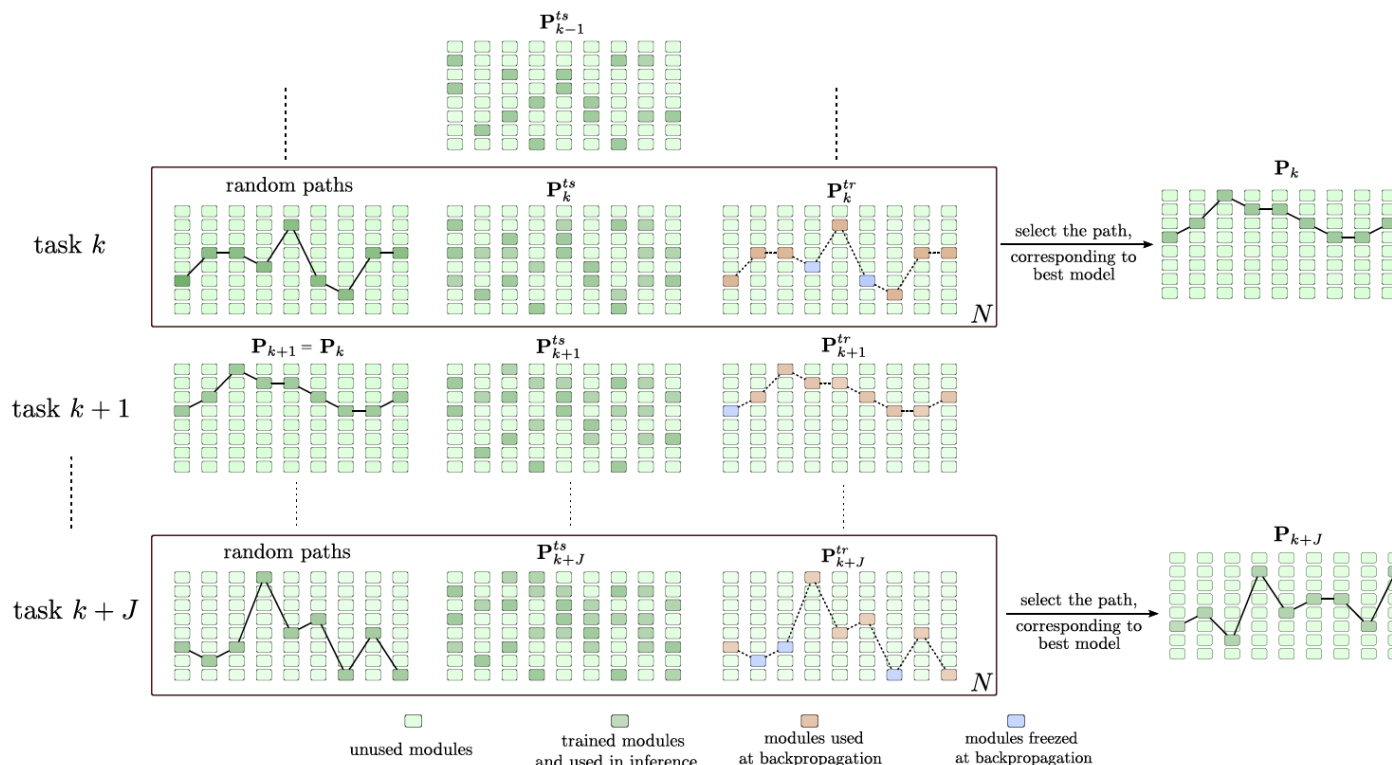
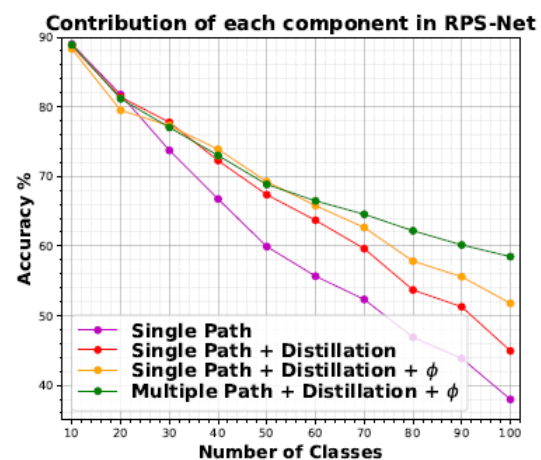
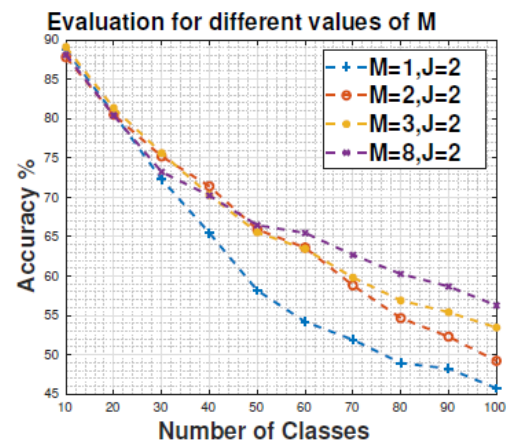


Figure 2: *Path Selection Approach*: Given a task  $k$ ,  $N$  random paths are initialized. For each path, only the modules different from the previous inference path  $P_{k-1}^{ts}$  are used to form the training path  $P_k^{tr}$ . Among  $N$  such paths, the optimal  $P_k$  is selected and combined with the  $P_{k-1}^{ts}$  to obtain  $P_k^{ts}$ . Notably, the path selection is only performed after  $J$  tasks. During training, the complexity remains bounded by a standard single path network and the resources are shared between tasks.

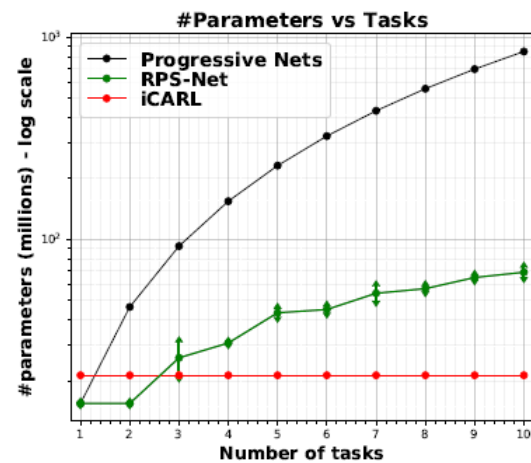
$$\mathcal{L}_{ce} = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_i \mathbf{t}_i[1 : k * U] \log(\text{softmax}(\mathbf{q}_i[1 : k * U])), \quad \text{学习新知识}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{dist} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \text{KL} \left( \log \left( \sigma \left( \frac{\mathbf{q}_i[1 : (k-1) * U]}{t_e} \right) \right), \sigma \left( \frac{\mathbf{q}'_i[1 : (k-1) * U]}{t_e} \right) \right). \quad \text{保留旧知识}$$

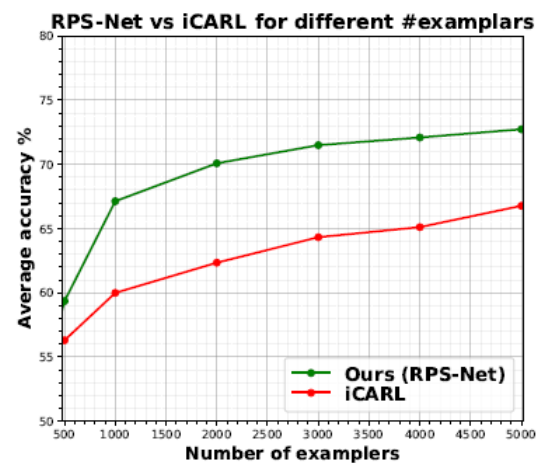
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{ce} + \phi(k, \gamma) \cdot \mathcal{L}_{dist},$$



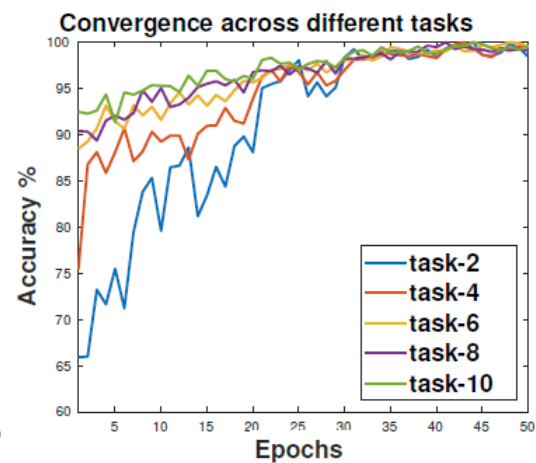
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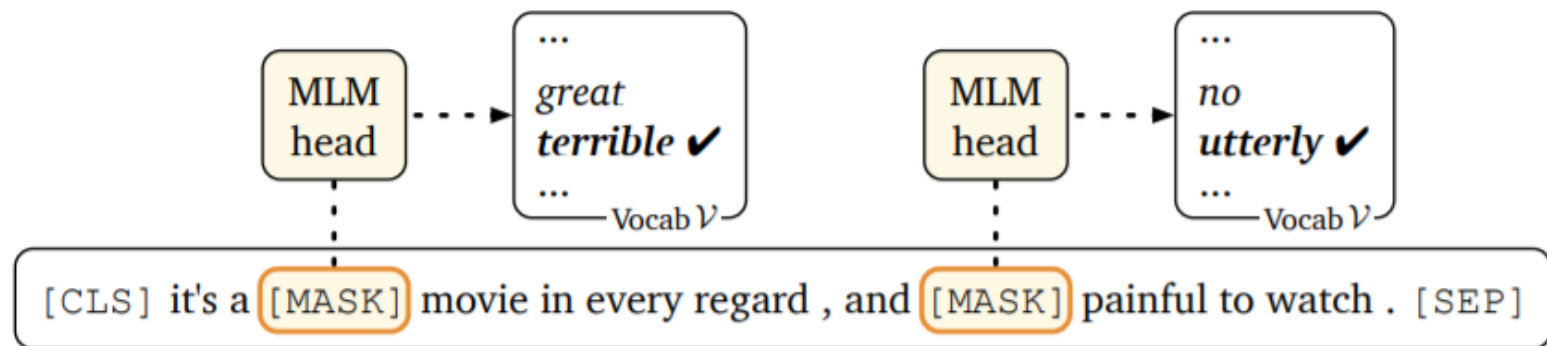


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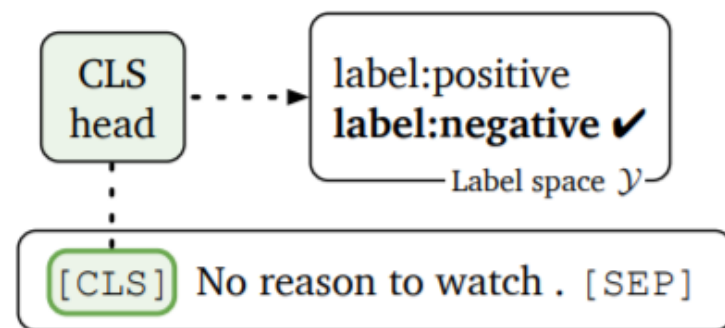


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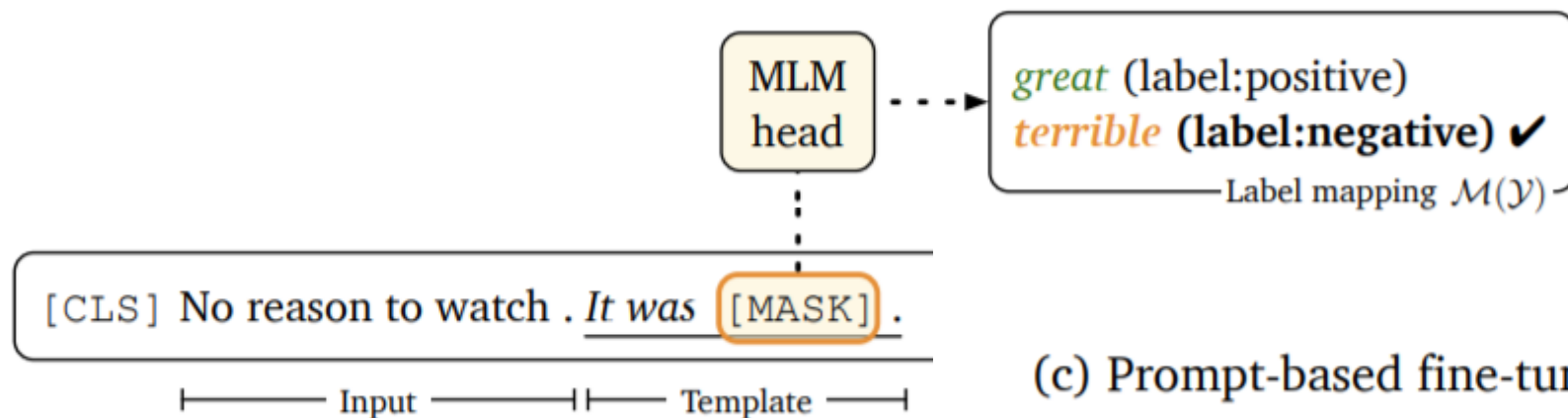
## Making Pre-trained Language Models Better Few-shot Learners



(a) MLM pre-training



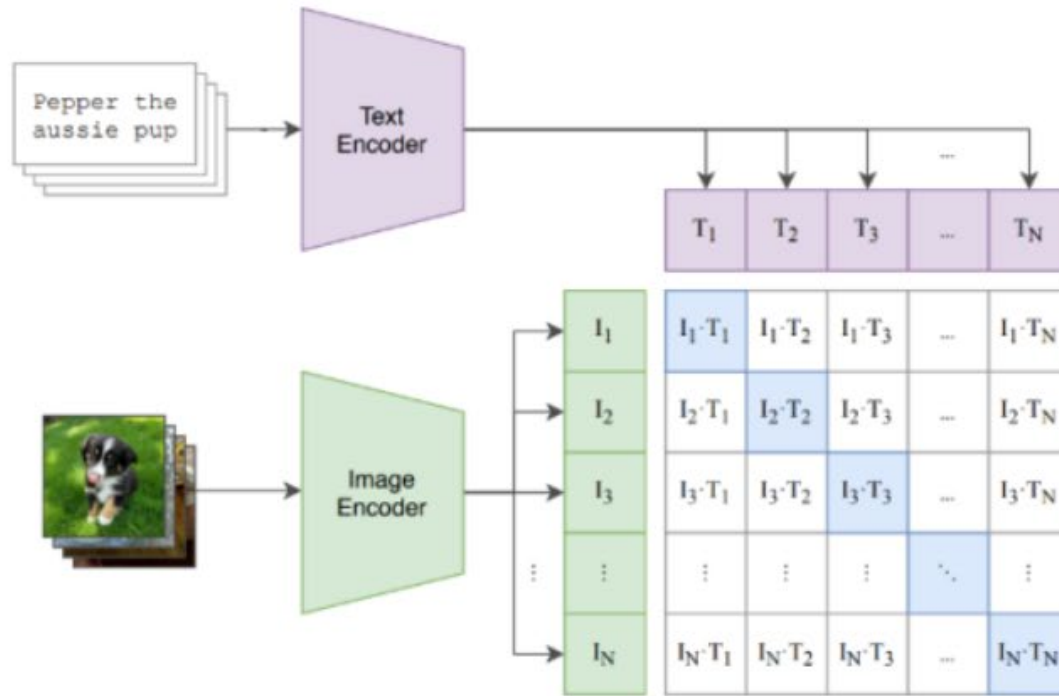
(b) Fine-tuning



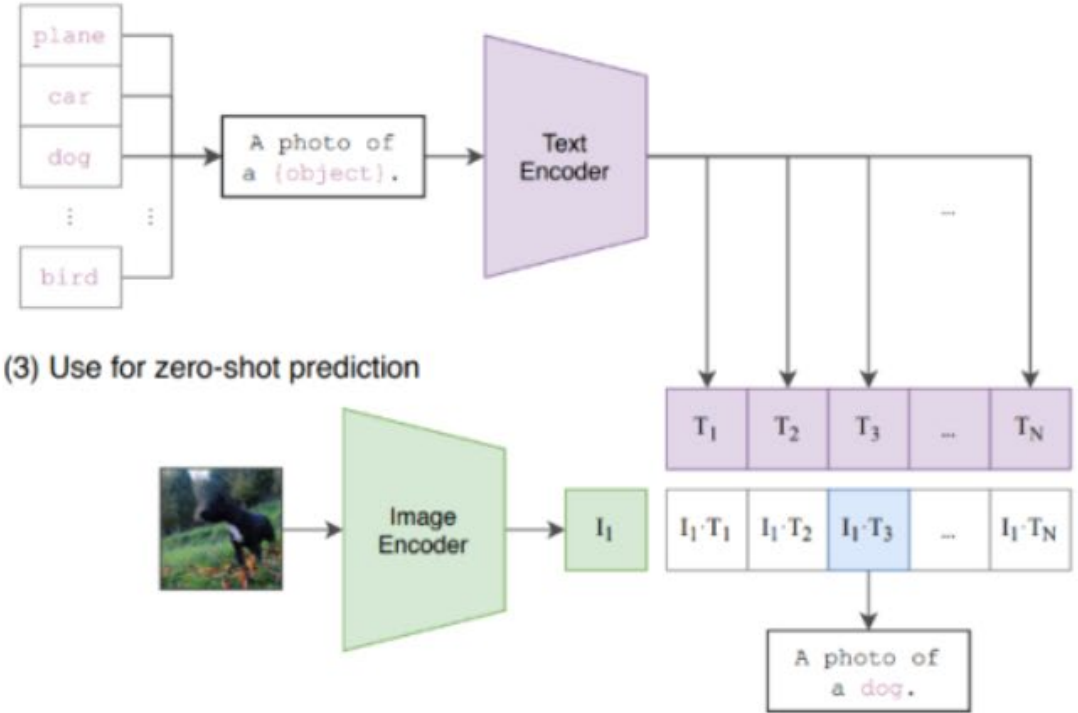
(c) Prompt-based fine-tuning with demonstrations

# Learning Transferable Visual Models From Natural Language Supervision

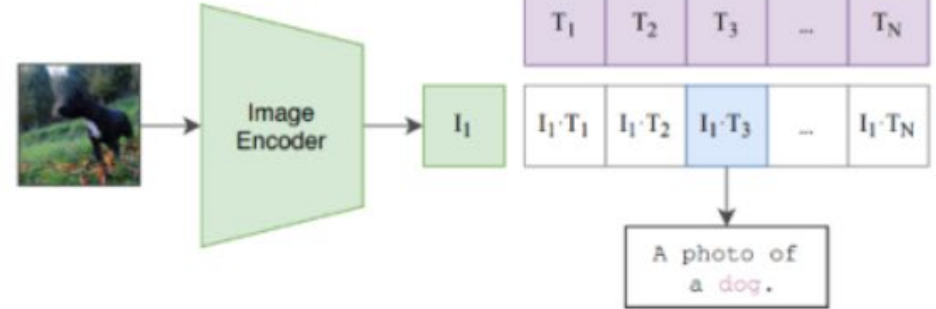
(1) Contrastive pre-training



(2) Create dataset classifier from label text



(3) Use for zero-shot prediction



# Learning to Prompt for Vision-Language Models



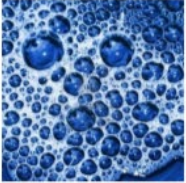

	Caltech101	Prompt	Accuracy
		a [CLASS].	80.77
		a photo of [CLASS].	78.99
		a photo of a [CLASS].	84.42
		$[V]_1 [V]_2 \dots [V]_M$ [CLASS].	<b>92.00</b>
(a)			
	Flowers102	Prompt	Accuracy
		a photo of a [CLASS].	56.68
		a flower photo of a [CLASS].	61.23
		a photo of a [CLASS], a type of flower.	62.32
		$[V]_1 [V]_2 \dots [V]_M$ [CLASS].	<b>93.22</b>
(b)			
	Describable Textures (DTD)	Prompt	Accuracy
		a photo of a [CLASS].	38.24
		a photo of a [CLASS] texture.	37.71
		[CLASS] texture.	40.72
		$[V]_1 [V]_2 \dots [V]_M$ [CLASS].	<b>62.55</b>
(c)			
	EuroSAT	Prompt	Accuracy
		a photo of a [CLASS].	22.30
		a satellite photo of [CLASS].	31.12
		a centered satellite photo of [CLASS].	31.53
		$[V]_1 [V]_2 \dots [V]_M$ [CLASS].	<b>81.60</b>
(d)			

Figure 1: **Prompt engineering vs. context optimization (CoOp)**. The latter uses only 16 shots for learning in these examples.



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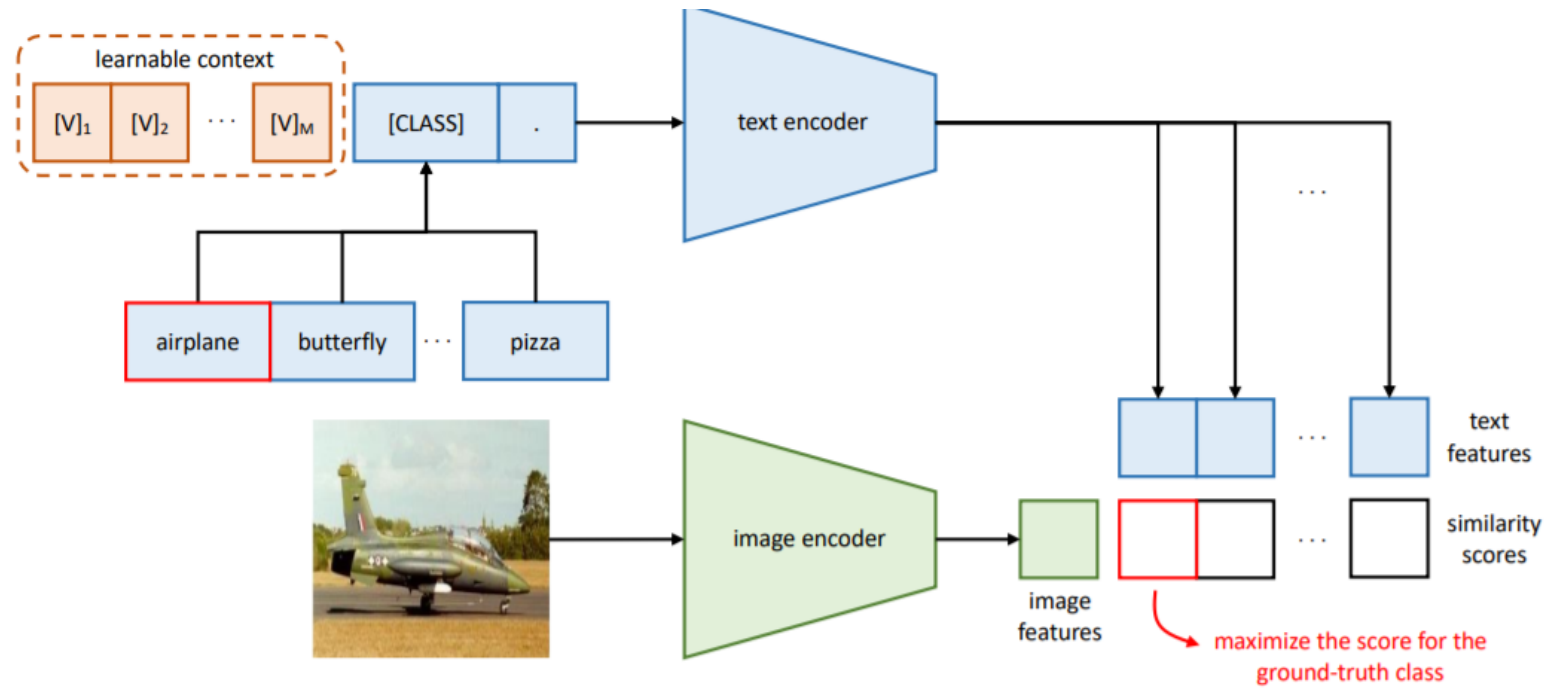


Figure 2: Overview of context optimization (CoOp).

# LEARNING TO PROMPT FOR CONTINUAL LEARNING

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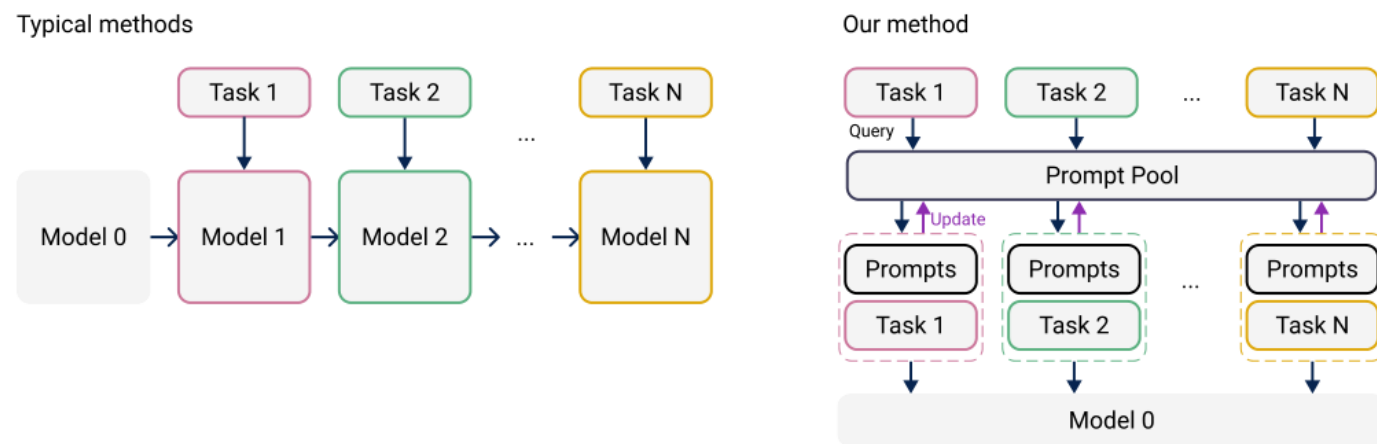


Figure 1: Overview of the L2P framework. Compared with typical continual learning methods (left) that adapt model weights to tasks sequentially, L2P (right) uses a single backbone model and learns a prompt pool to adapt tasks.

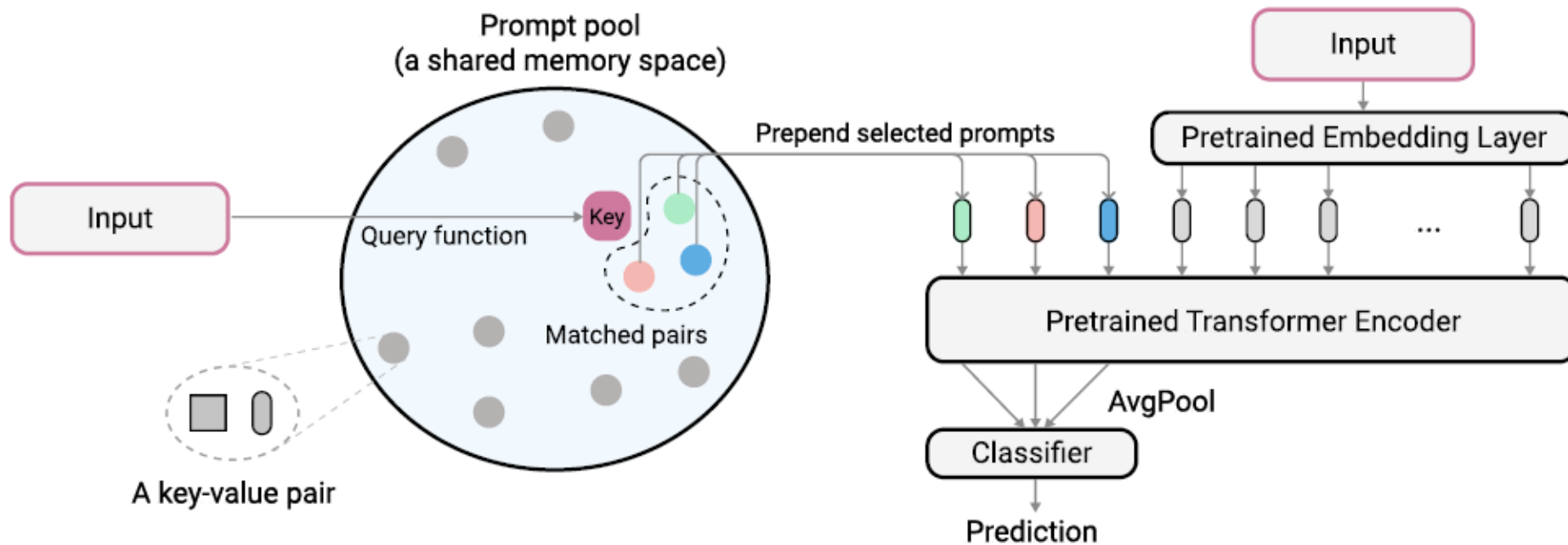


Figure 2: The illustration of L2P at test time. During training time, we follow the same procedure and optimize the model as described in Section 4.3.

$$\mathbf{P}_x = \underset{\{s_i\}_{i=1}^N \subseteq [1, M]}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma(q(x), \mathbf{k}_{s_i}) \cdot h_{s_i},$$

Table 1: Results on class-incremental learning. Accuracy and forgetting are reported. All methods start from the same pre-trained ViTB/16 model and train on each task for 5 epochs. Methods are separated based on whether rehearsal is applied. All results are shown in percentage (%) and are averaged over 3 runs.

Method	Split CIFAR-100		5-datasets	
	Average Acc ( $\uparrow$ )	Forgetting ( $\downarrow$ )	Average Acc ( $\uparrow$ )	Forgetting ( $\downarrow$ )
<i>Upper bound:</i>				
FT-iid	90.85 $\pm$ 0.12	-	93.93 $\pm$ 0.18	-
<i>Non-rehearsal based methods:</i>				
FT-seq-frozen	17.72 $\pm$ 0.34	59.09 $\pm$ 0.25	39.49 $\pm$ 0.12	42.62 $\pm$ 0.20
FT-seq	33.61 $\pm$ 0.85	86.87 $\pm$ 0.20	20.12 $\pm$ 0.42	94.63 $\pm$ 0.68
EWC	47.01 $\pm$ 0.29	33.27 $\pm$ 1.17	50.93 $\pm$ 0.09	34.94 $\pm$ 0.07
LwF	60.69 $\pm$ 0.63	27.77 $\pm$ 2.17	47.91 $\pm$ 0.33	38.01 $\pm$ 0.28
L2P (ours)	<b>83.83<math>\pm</math>0.04</b>	<b>7.63<math>\pm</math>0.30</b>	<b>81.14 <math>\pm</math>0.93</b>	<b>4.64 <math>\pm</math>0.52</b>
<i>Rehearsal based methods:</i>				
ER	82.53 $\pm$ 0.17	16.46 $\pm$ 0.25	89.30 $\pm$ 0.94	8.08 $\pm$ 0.53
GDumb	81.67 $\pm$ 0.02	-	70.76 $\pm$ 0.12	-
L2P-R (ours)	<b>86.31<math>\pm</math>0.59</b>	<b>5.83<math>\pm</math>0.61</b>	<b>91.92<math>\pm</math>0.78</b>	<b>3.34<math>\pm</math>0.71</b>

Table 4: Ablation study on 5-datasets. All results are shown in percentage (%).

Method	5-datasets	
	Average Acc ( $\uparrow$ )	Forgetting ( $\downarrow$ )
L2P without prompt pool	51.96	26.60
L2P without key-value pair	58.33	20.45
L2P without diversified prompt selection	62.26	17.84
<b>L2P</b>	<b>81.14</b>	<b>4.64</b>

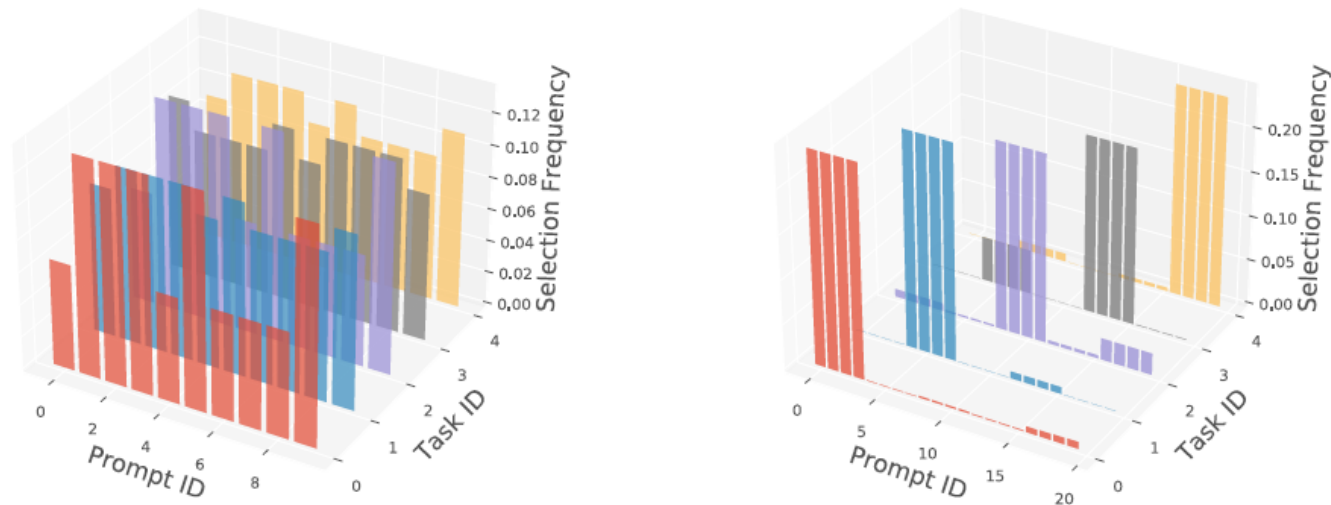


Figure 3: Prompt selection histograms for (left) Split CIFAR-100 and (right) 5-datasets. Note that we only show the first 5 tasks for Split CIFAR-100 for better readability.