Lightning Event Classification with Deep Learning

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Progress report:

- Created per sequence image masks (Nuke) %14 (29595/216635 images) / 69 events)
- Experimented with Networks
- Modified the matlab app
- Created a method to determine the stoke events
- Working on determining the direction of lightning
 - K-mean squared (clustering)
 - Segmented clusters/centroid
 - Derivative of change in amount of lightning
 - LSTM/SVM (time not likely)
- Working on determining the duration of a strike, counting events
- Evaluating the performance given different circumstances
 - Empty frames
 - Fireworks
 - Dark footage
- Implemented and tested additional networks
 - Deeplab : Best performing thus far
 - Segnet: Poor performance
 - U-net not implemented
- Initial Report Structure

Agenda:

Problems:

- Dim flashes not detectable
 - Expose up > More noise?
 - Normalising input footage (computationally intense)
- Determining the direction of flash in a more robust way than using a horizon line crossing
- Upward events are too long (sequence length matching)

Plan for next week:

- Finish strike duration process
- Create working models for direction determination and evaluate the models
- Train networks with different configurations and evaluate the performance
- Implement networks
 - Unet
 - LSTM?