# Saving the Rainforest from Space

Using Satellite Imagery to Identify Leading Indicators of Deforestation By: Drew Hibbard

## Project Goal/Impact

Deforestation is a threat to humanity

Track changes over time with satellite imagery

Identify the leading indicators and prevent



# Mapping High-Level Forest Change



Base Layer: forest cover in green (2000)



New layer: forest loss as red dots (2015



New layer: forest gain in blue dots (2015)

Kaggle Challenge -Planet: Understanding the Amazon from Space

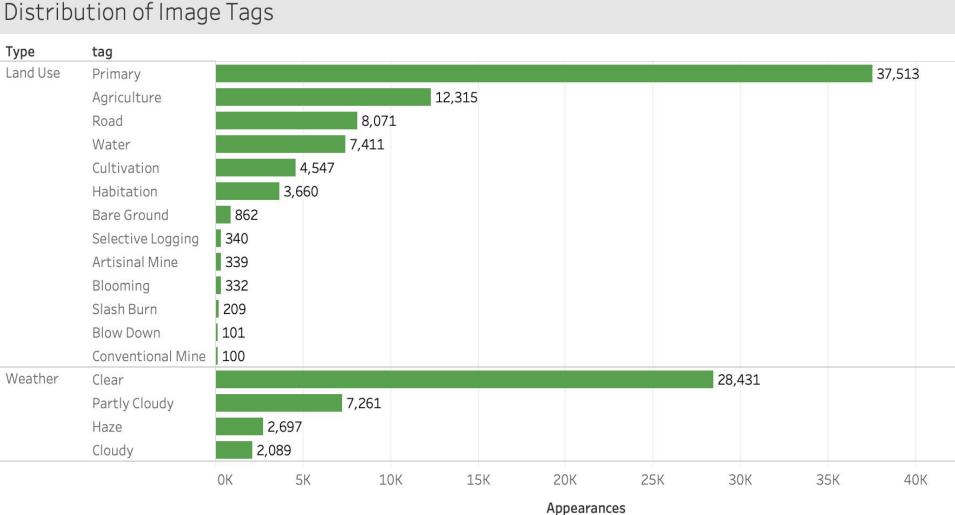
# Kaggle Challenge Data

40,000 Images

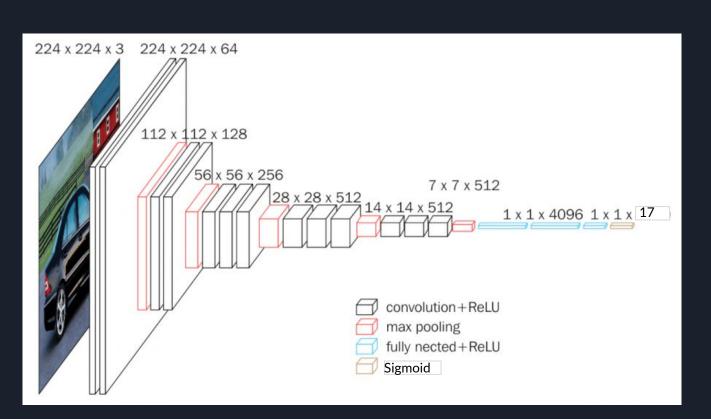
256x256 pixels, 3m/pixel

17 non-exclusive tags





# Fully Re-Training the VGG16 Convolutional Neural Network



## Model Results: 92% Mean F-Beta Score

	Positive Class Recall	Positive Class Precision
Agriculture	88.1%	69.7%
Road	82.6%	69.6%
Habitation	68.0%	63.1%
Cultivation	58.0%	41.4%

# Testing on New Imagery



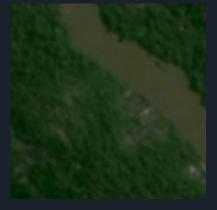
Forest Road





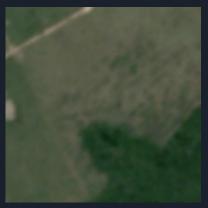
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Forest Water





Agriculture Road



Questions?

# Appendix

#### **Confusion Matrices**

