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# XAI in Image Forensics

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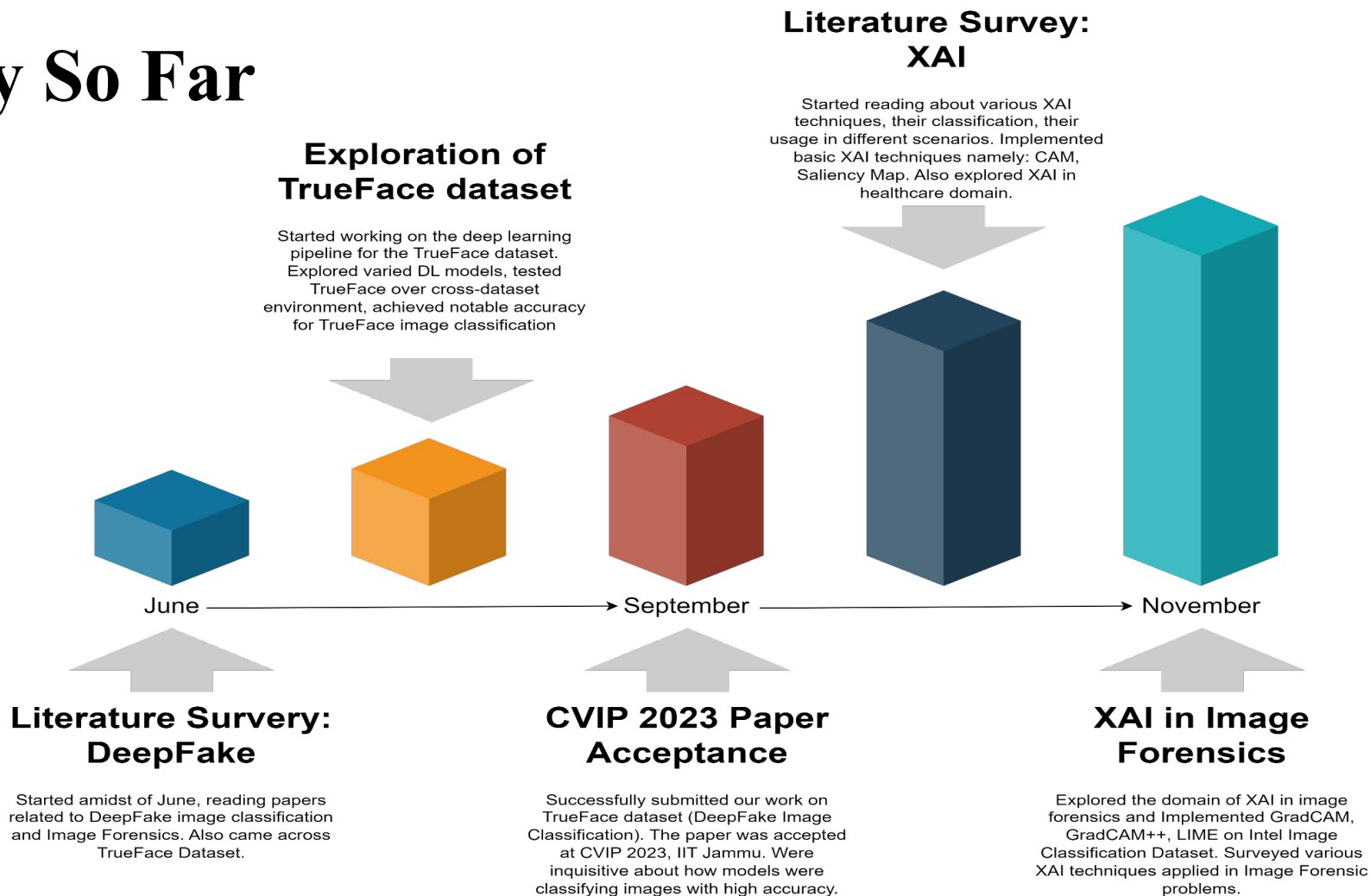
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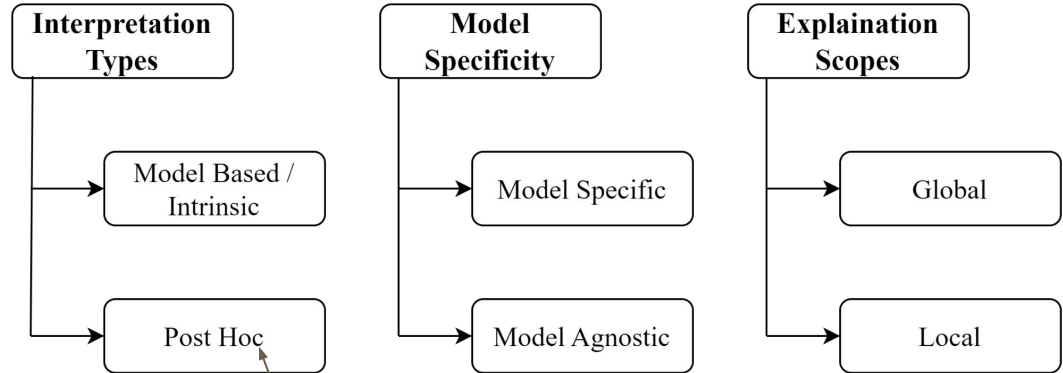
# Journey So Far



# XAI Techniques

XAI techniques are based on three criterias:

- **Model-Based / Intrinsic versus Post Hoc**
- **Model-Specific versus Model-Agnostic**
- **Global versus Local** (i.e., the scope of the explanation).

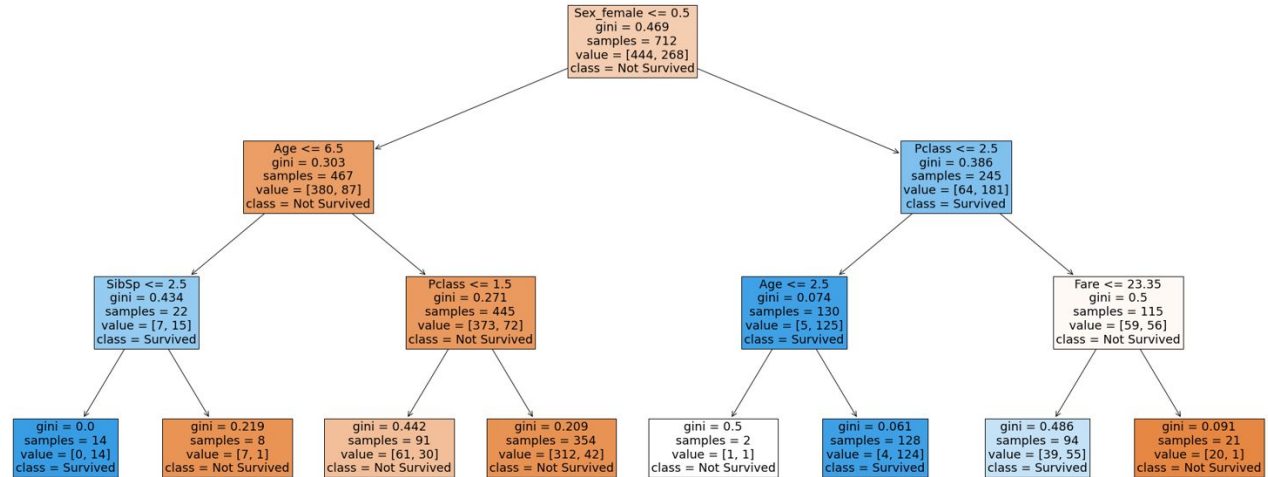


**Our Area of Interest!**

# Model-Based / Intrinsic Explanation

## Model Nature

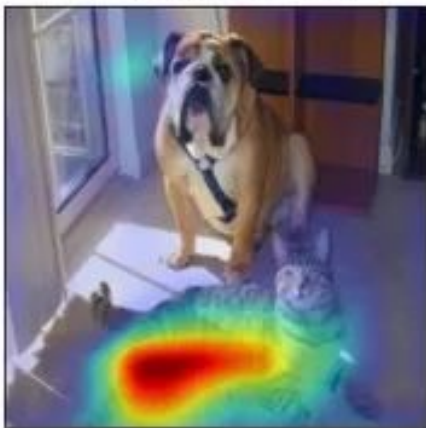
- Model-based / Intrinsic explanations are **based on traditional machine learning models**, such as linear regression or support vector machines, which are relatively simple and interpretable.



# Post Hoc Explanation

- Employed after the training of a complex model.
- These methods do not enforce the model to be inherently explainable during training but they **analyze the model's behavior** after it has been trained.

Grad-CAM for "Cat"



Grad-CAM for "Dog"



# Post Hoc Explanation

- Post hoc explanations are **used with complex models**, particularly deep neural networks, which have thousands to millions of weights.
- These models are **inherently complex**, non-sparse, and not suited for direct human simulation and reasoning.
- Post hoc explanation methods include **analyzing learned features, feature importance, and interactions** after the model is trained.
- Visual explanations through techniques like **saliency maps** are used to highlight the most influential regions of an input, providing insights into the model's decision-making.

# Model-Specific

- **Model Specific:** Tailored to specific classes or types of models.
- Use attributes and techniques that are specific to a particular model class, **such as certain neural network architectures**.
- Optimized to work with the characteristics and features unique to the chosen model type.
- Restricts the choice of models.
- Leads to **less flexible and adaptive explanation strategy** due to the focus on a particular model class.

# Model-Agnostic

- **Model-agnostic:** Operates independently of the model choice and architecture.
- Not specific to any particular model class but focus solely on the **input** and **output** of the model in a generic way. These are designed to work with a wide variety of models, making them versatile and adaptable.
- Involves **perturbing** the input data to observe how changes in the input affect the model's output.
- Naturally **PostHoc**

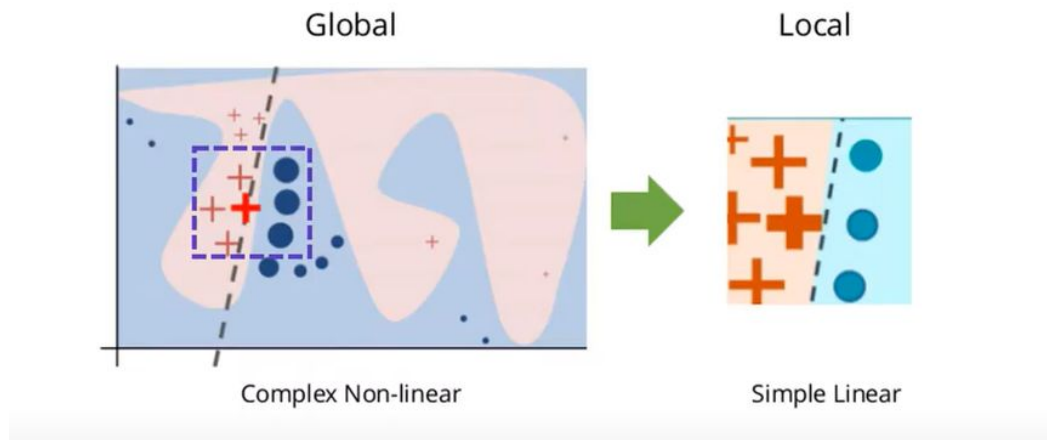


# Global Explainability

- **Global-scope Explainability:** XAI techniques aim to provide insights and explanations that cover the behavior of the AI model across the **entirety** of its **dataset** or **decision space** rather than focusing on individual predictions or instances.
- **Layer-wise Relevance Propagation (LRP),** SHAP(SHapley Additive exPlanations)

# Local Explainability

- **Local Explainability:** Focuses on **individual predictions**.
- LIME(Local Interpretable Model Agnostic Explanations), SHAP(SHapley Additive exPlanations)



# XAI in Image Forensics

Badhrinayaran et. al [12] focuses on detecting **Deepfake videos** using **XceptionNet** [17] trained on **FaceForensics++** [18] dataset.

It emphasizes interpretable models via XAI methods like **LRP** and **LIME**[3].

With a **balanced** dataset of real and fake images, the model achieved **94.33%** test accuracy.

XAI techniques, particularly LIME [3], effectively captured crucial regions in the images, confirming the model's attention.

LRP localized manipulation areas, identifying key features like the nose and mouth.

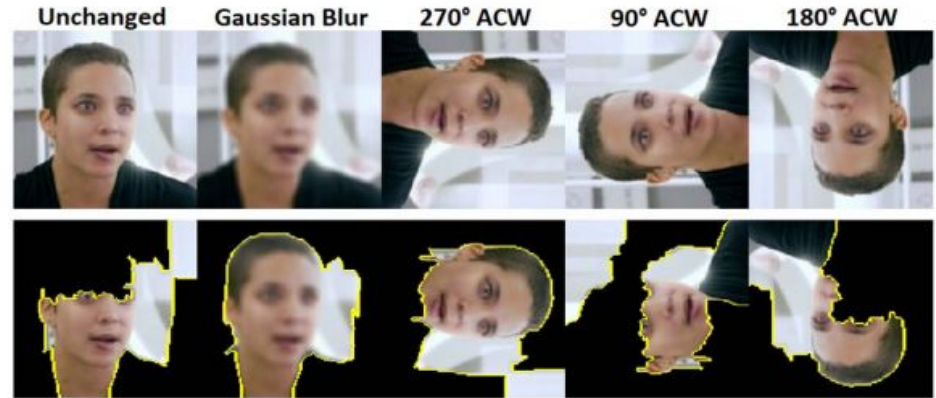


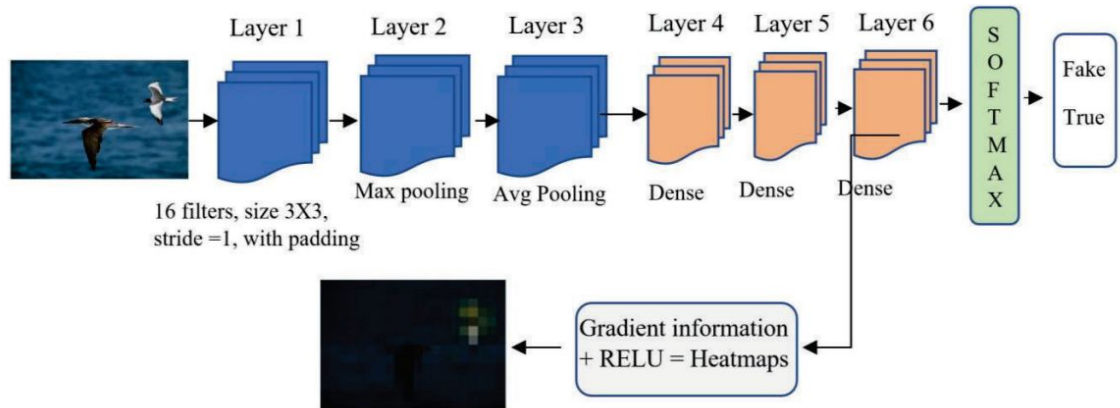
Figure 4. 1st Row shows the input along with its perturbations and 2nd row shows the LIME descriptions of these inputs. [12]

# XAI in Image Forensics

Bhuvanesh and Dilip [11] discusses about the detection of faithful images using a DL model. The images contain **Copy move** and **spliced** images.

Employing **high-pass** filters during weight initialization improves the detection of altered image elements.

The researchers employed **GradCAM[1]** to enhance interpretability, enabling precise localization of manipulated regions within the images.



# XAI in Image Forensics

Bhuvanesh and Dilip [10] proposed a **custom CNN embedded with an attention mechanism**, the paper focuses on detecting forged images circulated on microblogging platforms.

Leveraging **high-pass filters** during weight initialization **enhances identification of tampered features**.

They utilized **LIME** [3] for **interpretability and pinpointing tampered regions**.



# XAI in Image Forensics

Hasan et al. [8], conducted a study addressing the rising concern of **Deepfake** media by employing advanced AI methods.

They used different CNN models on a dataset(deepfake from Kaggle) containing **70,000** real(FFHQ) and **70,000** fake images(GAN) to distinguish between **authentic** and **Deepfake** content.

Among tested models, **InceptionResNetV2[19]** achieved **99.87%** accuracy.

To ensure reliability, they used **Local Interpretable Model-Agnostic Explanations [3]**for Explainable AI, confirming the model's efficacy.

# XAI in Image Forensics

Kuchumova et al. [13], introduces a **Steganalysis** methodology called **STEG-XAI** [13].

It detects **image steganography** and also explains the **model's detections** and extracts specific **signatures** of steganography algorithms.

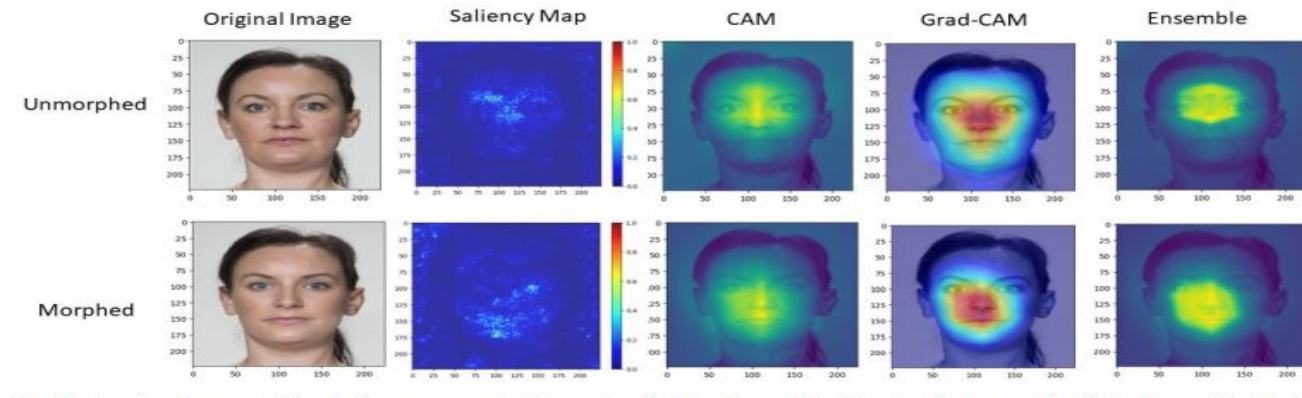
used **EfficientNet-B0** [14] architecture and accompanied by XAI tools like LIME [3] and Grad-CAM [1], the model is trained on a **ALASKA2**[15] dataset of **UERD** modified **JPEG** images. achieved **AUC** of **0.944**.

# XAI in Image Forensics

With increasing attacks on biometric systems using morphed images, Rudresh et al. [16] have used **EfficientNet**[14] for Morphing Attack Detection. This work introduces **Ensemble XAI**, combining **Saliency**, **Class Activation**, and **Gradient-CAM**[1], to explain EfficientNet-B1's decisions on morphed vs. genuine images.

They used three datasets:

- **Face Research Lab London(FRLL)**[20] (102 faces),
- **Wide Multi Channel Presentation Attack(WMCA)**[21] (72 individuals)
- **Makeup Induced Face Spoofing(MIFS)**[22] (107 transformations).



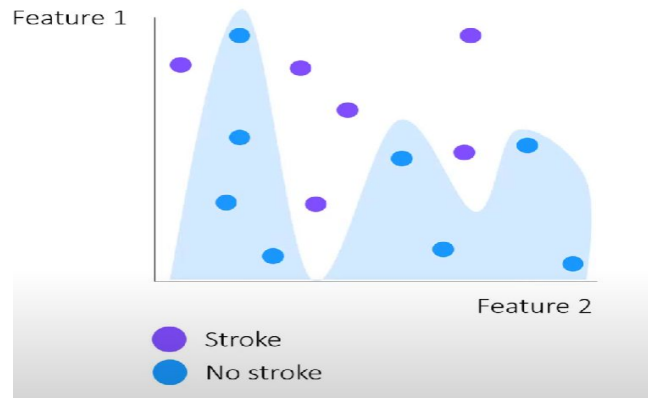
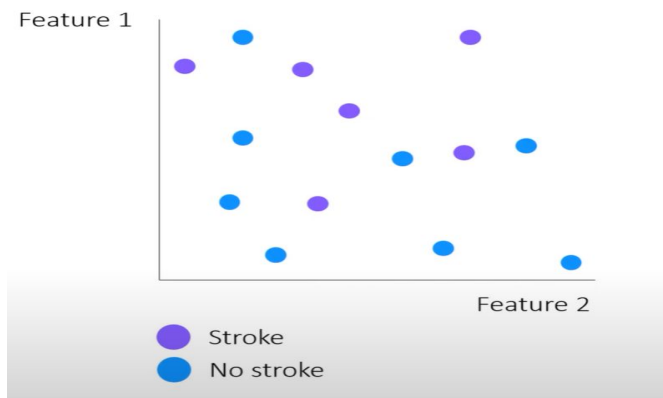
# Local Interpretable Model Agnostic Explanations

## “Why Should I Trust You?” Explaining the Predictions of Any Classifier

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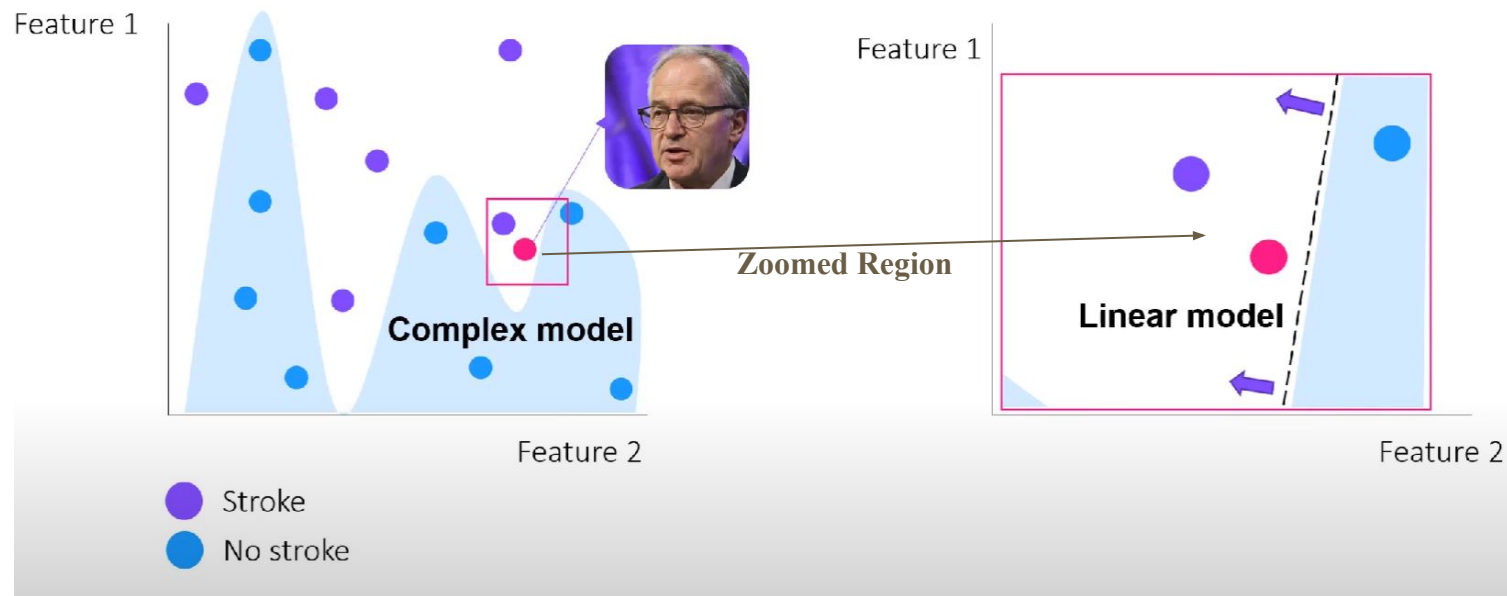




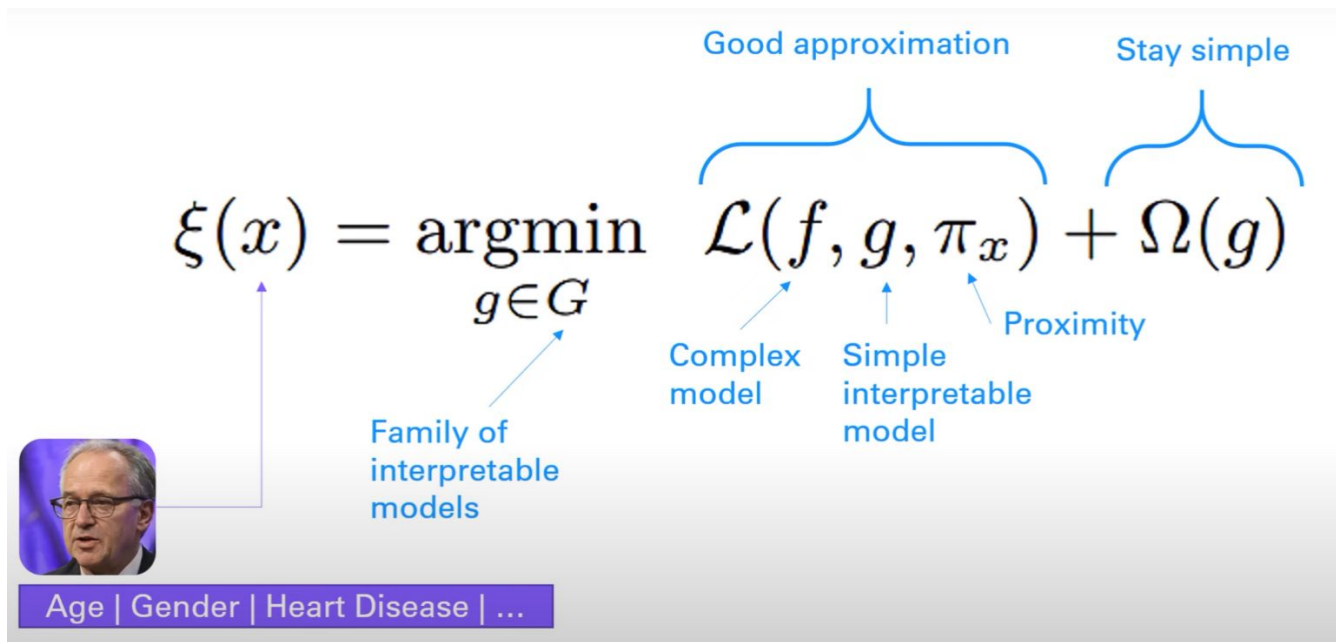
# LIME

- LIME [3] was introduced in **ACM SIGKDD** in 2016 by **Ribeiro et al.** and has over **14944 citations** till date.
- Complex Models **lack transparency**, making it challenging for users to comprehend **how** and **why** specific decisions are reached.
- LIME tackles this challenge by generating explanations for **individual** predictions.
- LIME focuses on providing insights into individual predictions by creating simpler, more understandable **surrogate** models in the **vicinity** of those predictions.

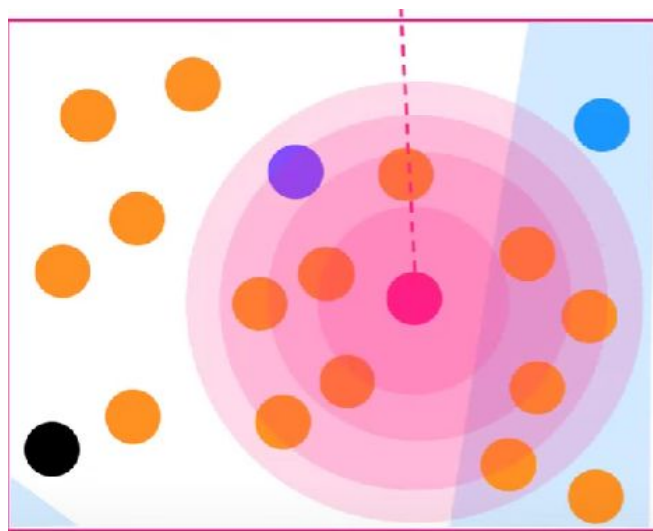
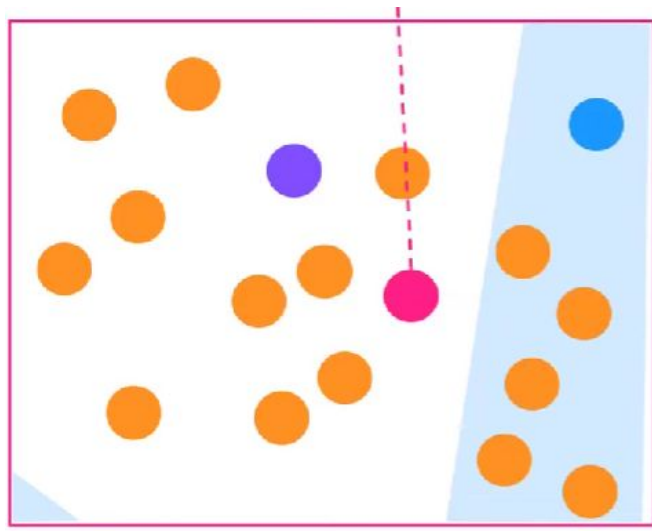
# LIME



# Maths behind Local Interpretations



# Local Interpretations of LIME



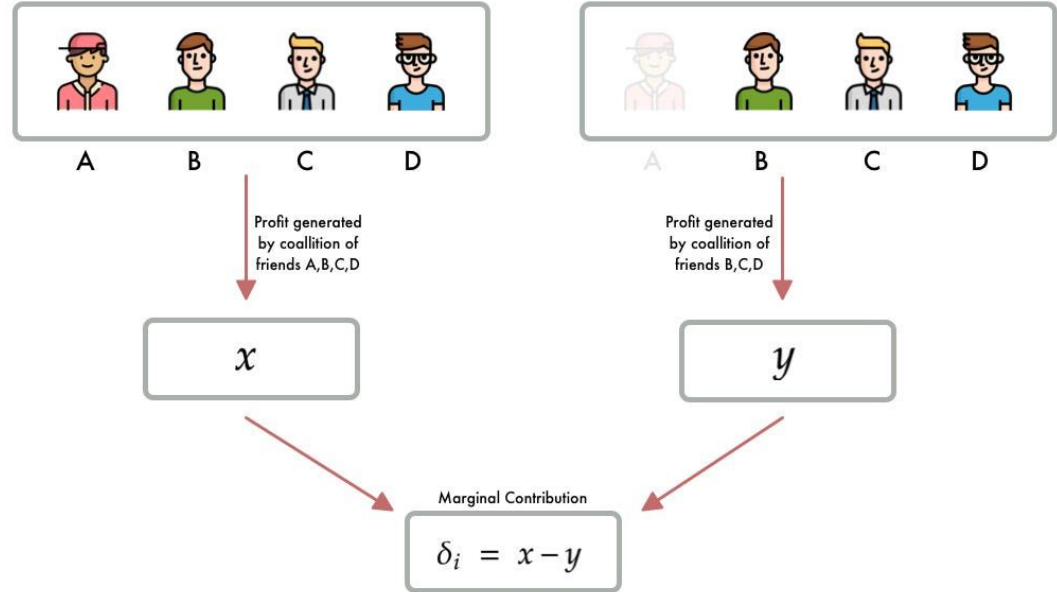
# Steps: LIME

- The process involves **perturbing** the input data and observing how these perturbations influence the output of the model.
- LIME samples data points around the prediction of **interest**, generating a **dataset** that's more manageable for a simpler, interpretable model (often a linear model) to approximate the behavior of the complex model within that **local region**.
- These **local surrogate** models then provide explanations for the predictions, highlighting which features or attributes had the most significant impact on the model's decision-making process.

# Shapely Values

The Shapley value, coined by **Shapley** (1953)<sup>63</sup>, is a method for assigning **payouts** to **players** depending on their **contribution** to the total payout.

Players cooperate in a **coalition** and receive a certain **profit** from this cooperation



# Players? Game? Payout?

- What is the connection to machine learning predictions and interpretability?
- The **Game** is the **prediction task** for a single instance of the dataset.
- The **Gain** is the **actual prediction** for this instance **minus** the **average prediction** for all instances.
- The **Players** are the **feature** values of the instance that collaborate to receive the gain

# SHAP

SHAP [4] values provide insights into how the features in a model contribute to **individual** predictions.

They quantify the impact of **each feature** on a particular **prediction** by assessing how the prediction changes when the feature value changes.

Essentially, they break down the model prediction for a specific instance and attribute parts of that prediction to different features.



# GradCAM [1]

- Assigns each neuron a **relevance score** for the decision of interest.

$$L_{Grad-CAM}^c \in \mathbb{R}^{u \times v} = \underbrace{ReLU}_{\text{Pick positive values}} \left( \sum_k \alpha_k^c A^k \right)$$

- Our goal is to find the **localization map**, here  $u$  is the width,  $v$  the height of the explanation and  $c$  the class of interest.
- Forward-propagate the input image through the convolutional neural network.
- **Obtain the raw score for the class of interest**, meaning the activation of the neuron before the softmax layer.
- Set all other class activations to zero.
- Back-propagate the gradient of the class of interest to the last convolutional layer before the fully connected layers:  $\frac{\delta y^c}{\delta A^k}$

# GradCAM [1]

- Weight each feature map “pixel” by the gradient for the class. Indices  $i$  and  $j$  refer to the width and height dimensions:

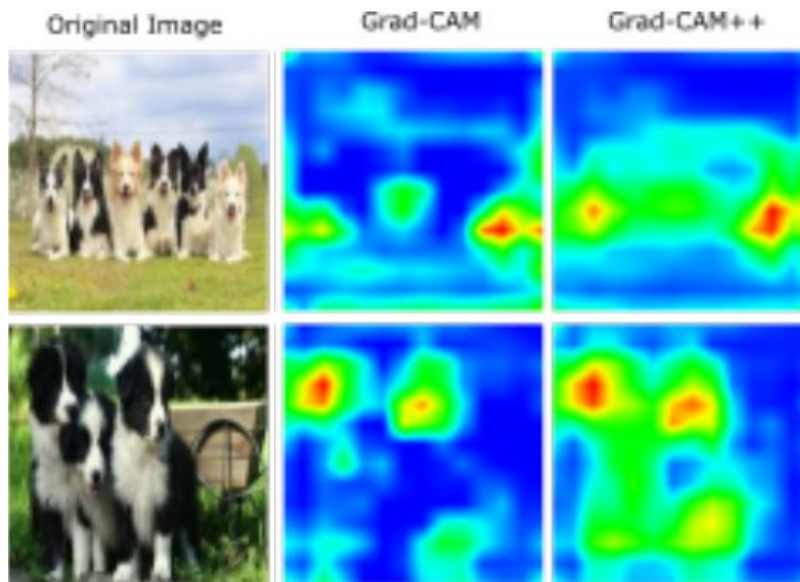
$$\alpha_k^c = \overbrace{\frac{1}{Z} \sum_i \sum_j}^{\text{global average pooling}} \underbrace{\frac{\delta y^c}{\delta A_{ij}^k}}_{\text{gradients via backprop}}$$

This means that the gradients are globally pooled.

- Calculate an average of the feature maps, weighted per pixel by the gradient.
- Apply ReLU to the averaged feature map. (fancy way of saying that we set all negative values to zero).
- For visualization:** Scale values to the interval between 0 and 1.
- Upscale the image and overlay it over the original image.

# Limitations of GradCAM [2]

- **Performance drops** when **localizing multiple occurrences** of the same class.
- For single object images, Grad-CAM heatmaps **often do not capture the entire object in completeness.**



# GradCAM++ [2]

- Practically equivalent to a very simple variation of Grad-CAM in which gradients are **replaced with positive gradients**.
- **Grad-CAM** uses a **global average pooling of the partial derivatives** of the activation maps, while **Grad-CAM++** takes a **weighted combination of positive partial derivatives**.
- Considering higher-order derivatives, Grad-CAM++ captures more detailed information about the relationship between the activation maps and the class score.

$$\alpha_{ij}^{kc} = \frac{\frac{\partial^2 Y^c}{(\partial A_{ij}^k)^2}}{2 \frac{\partial^2 Y^c}{(\partial A_{ij}^k)^2} + \sum_a \sum_b A_{ab}^k \left\{ \frac{\partial^3 Y^c}{(\partial A_{ij}^k)^3} \right\}}$$

$Y^c$  represents the class score for class  $c$ ,  $A_{ij}^k$  represents the activation maps of the last convolutional layer.

# GradCAM++ [2]

- Proposed solution is to replace the plain average of gradients at each feature map with a weighted average

$$w_k^c = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_i \sum_j \text{ReLU}\left(\frac{\partial y^c}{\partial A_{ij}^k}\right) \longrightarrow w_k^c = \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_{ij}^{kc} \cdot \text{ReLU}\left(\frac{\partial y^c}{\partial A_{ij}^k}\right)$$

where the  $\alpha_{ij}^{kc}$  measure the importance of each individual unit of a feature map

- $\alpha_{ij}^{kc} = 1 / Z$ , GradCAM++ reduces to the formulation for Grad-CAM

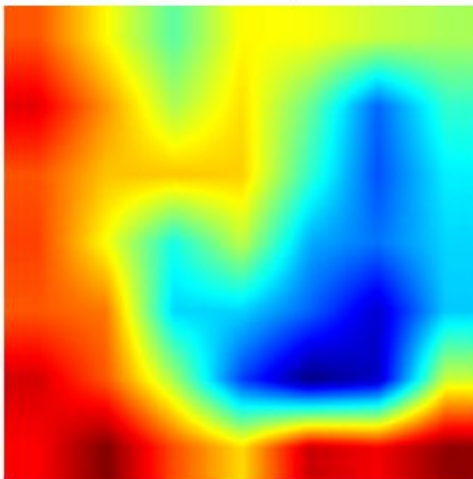
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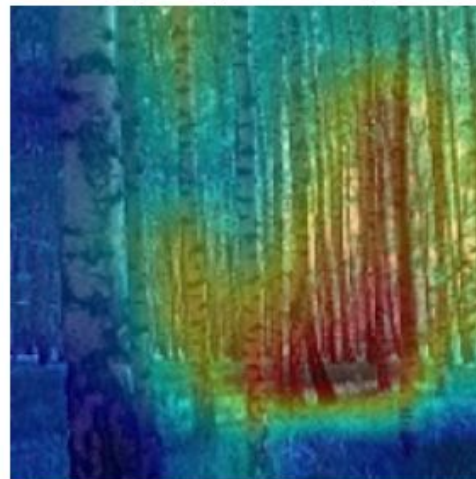
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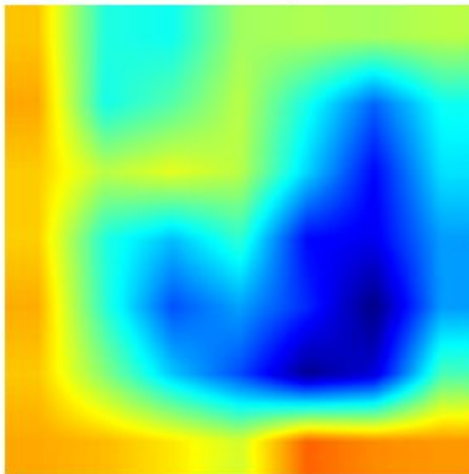
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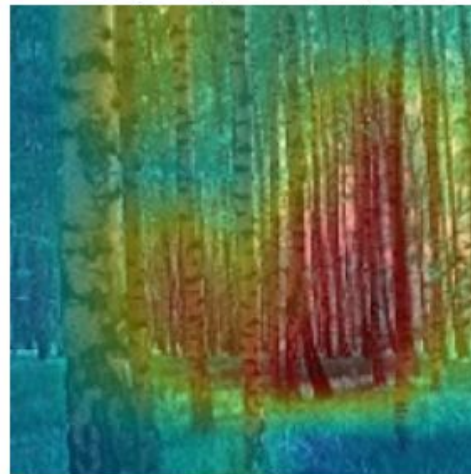
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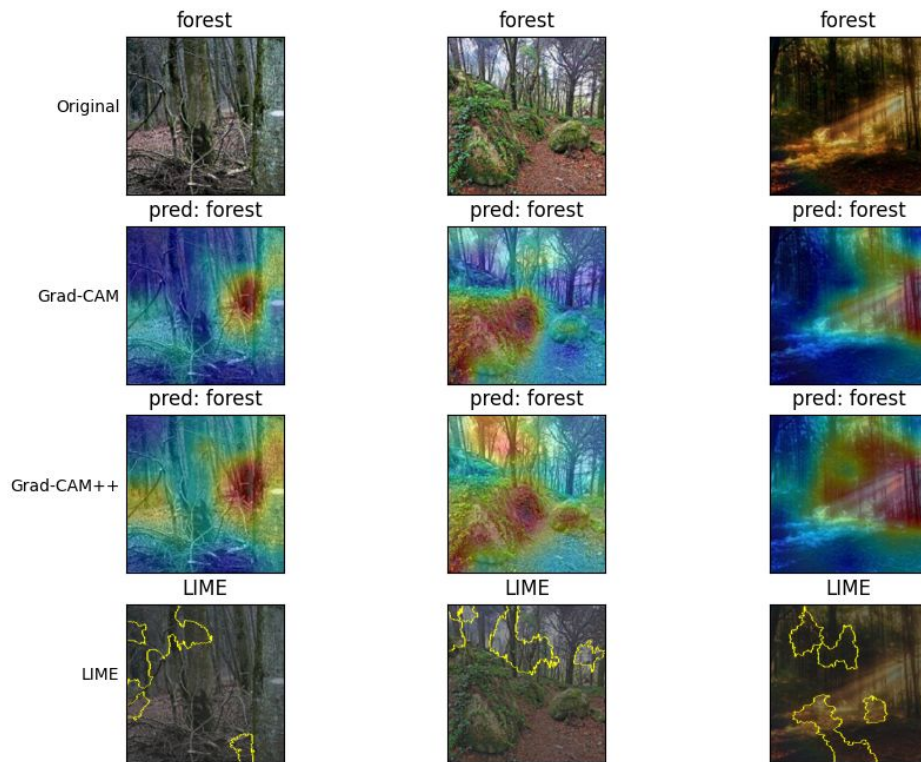




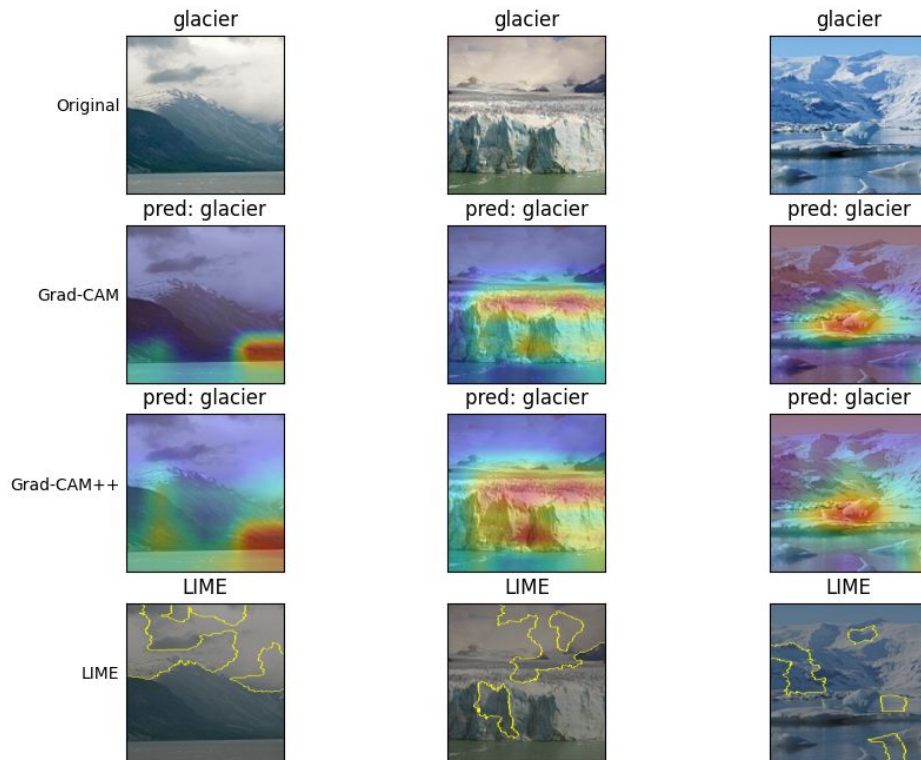
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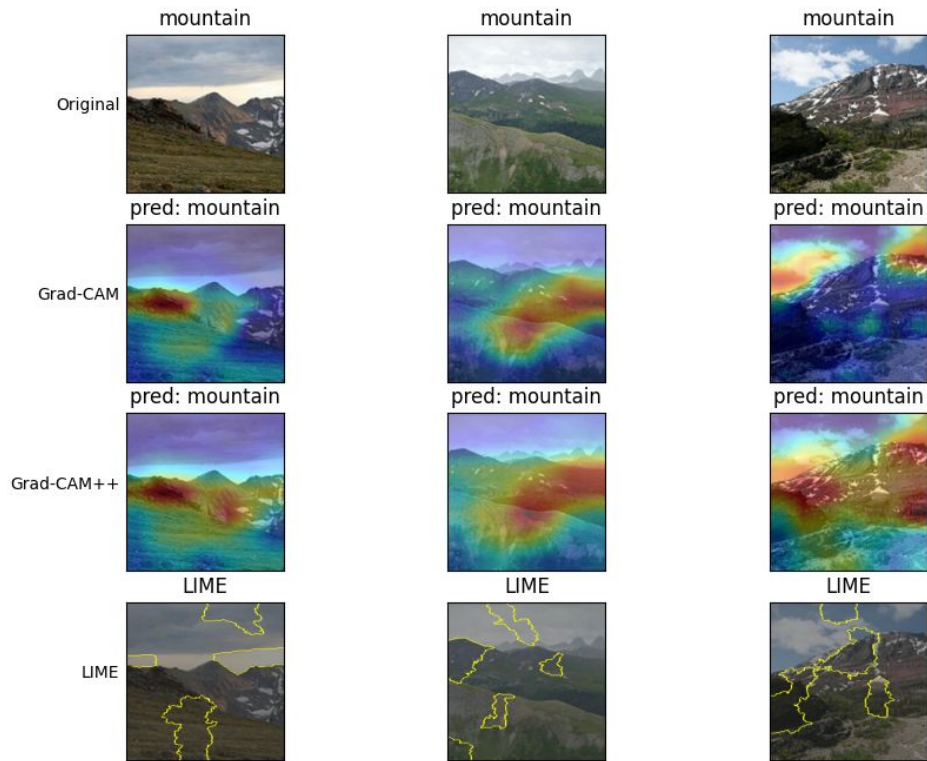
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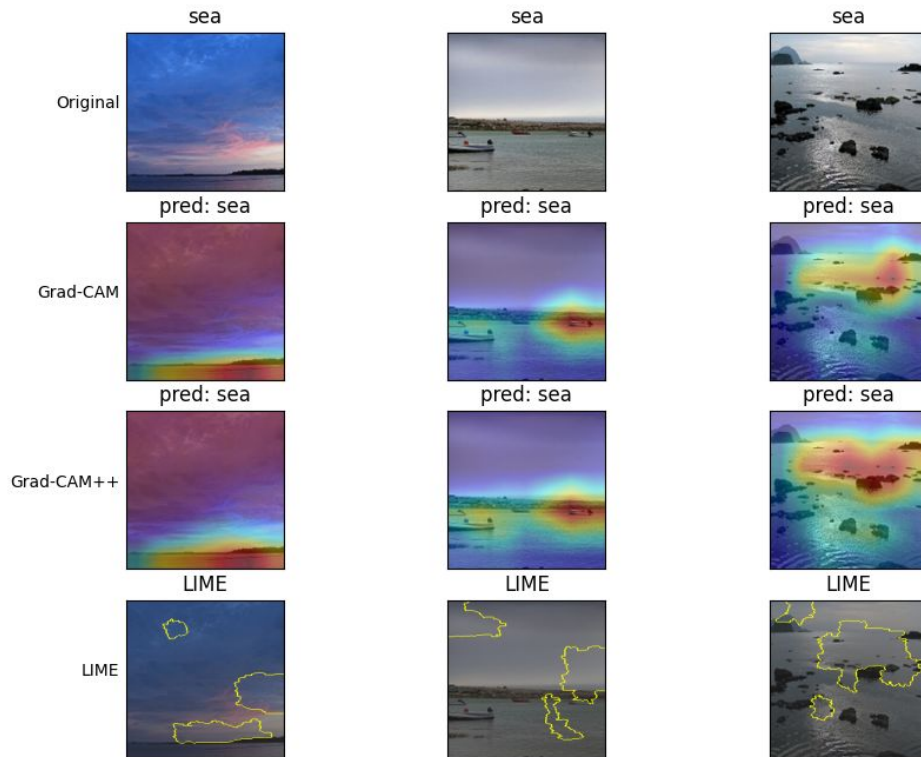
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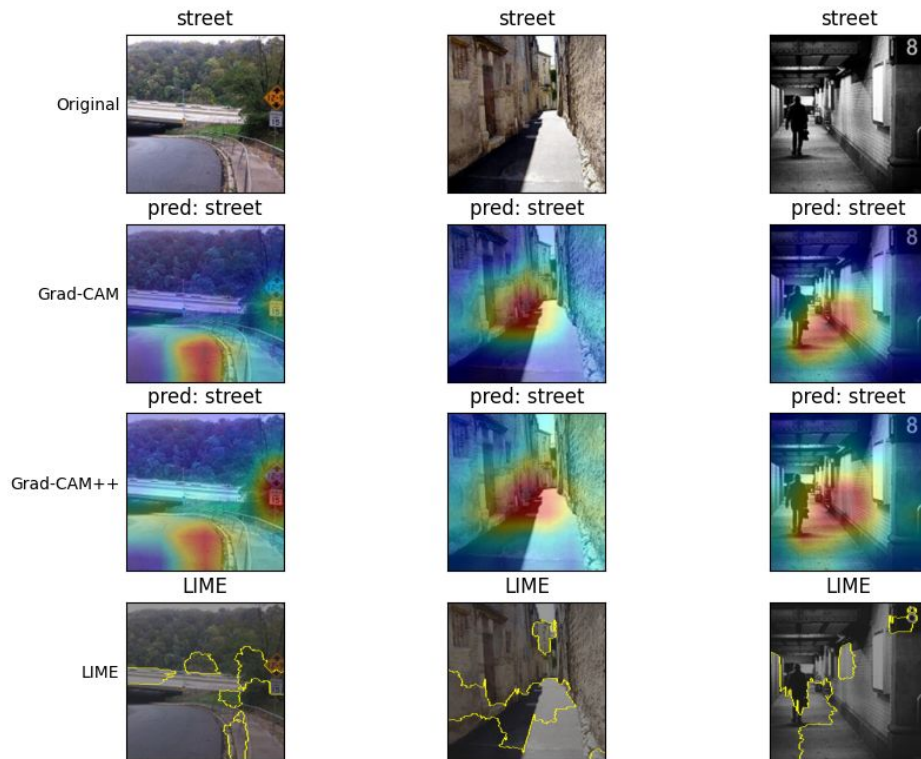
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