

Practical aspects and implications of certified robustness



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Introduction

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Chair for Machine Learning

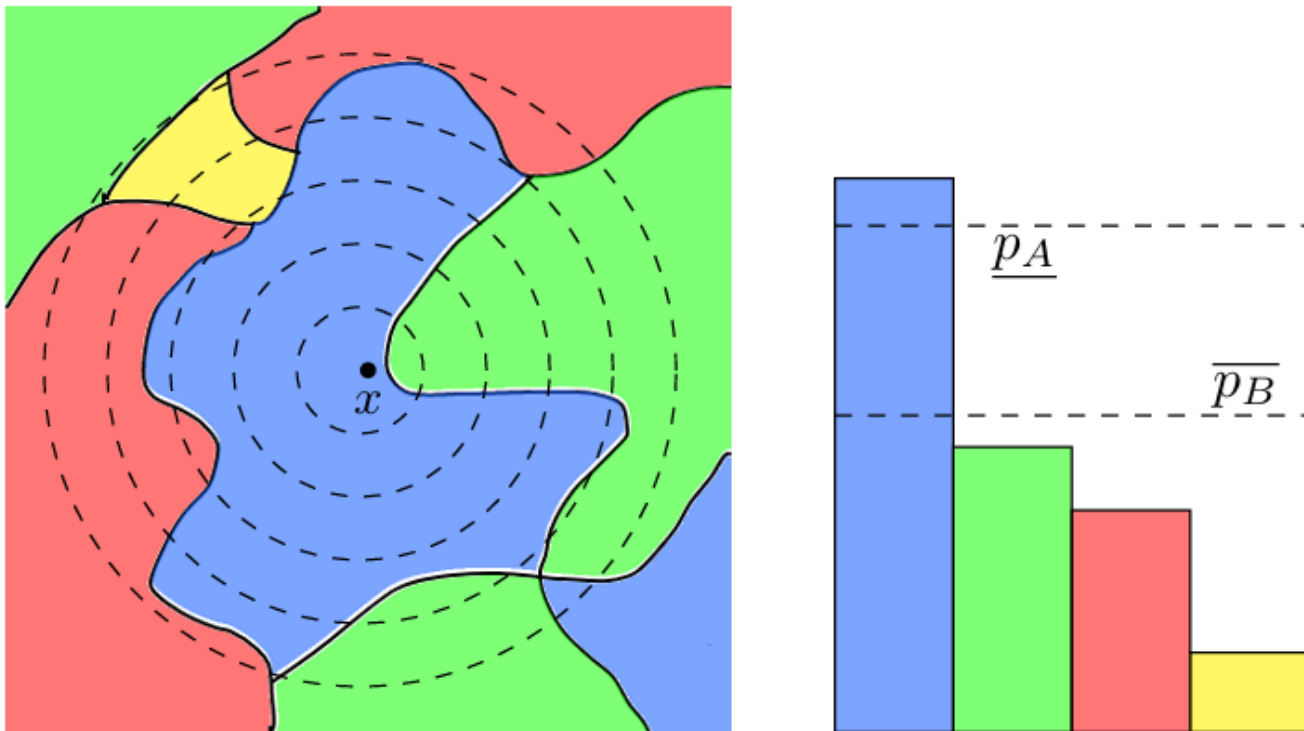


Introduction

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What is Certified Robustness?



How is certified robustness useful?

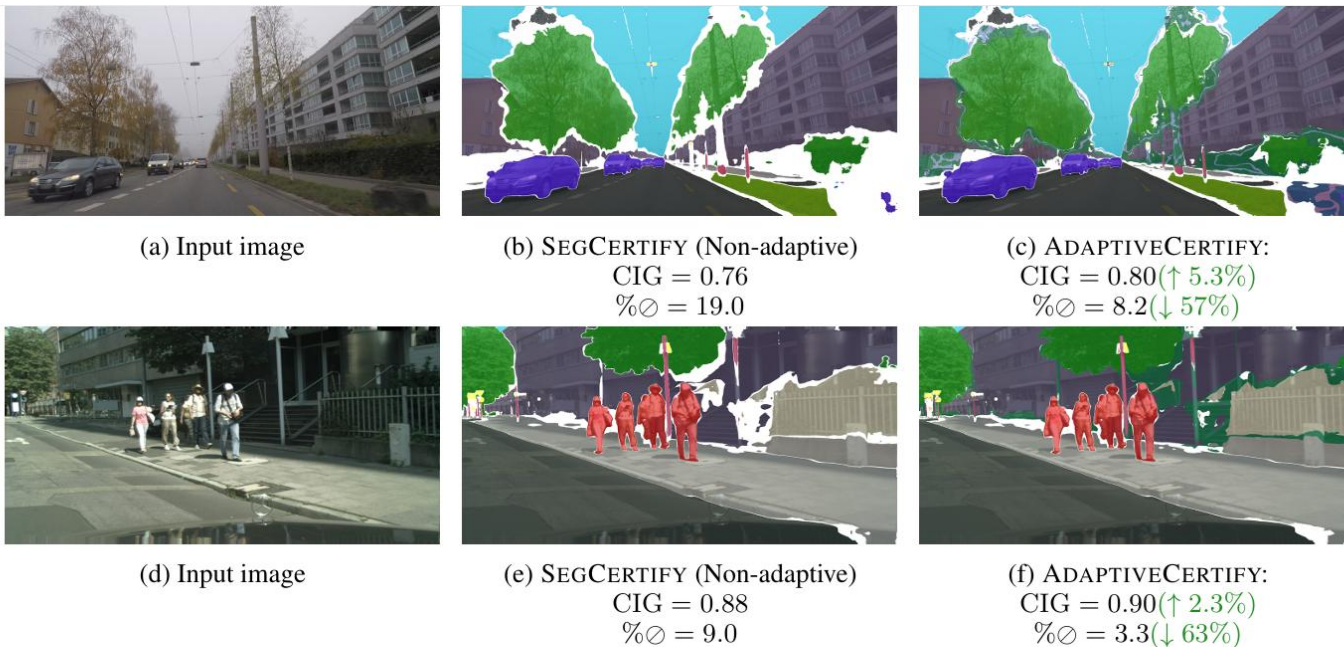


Figure 1: The certified segmentation outputs on input images (a) and (d) from SEG CERTIFY in (b) and (e), and ADAPTIVE CERTIFY in (c) and (f) with their corresponding Certified Information Gain (CIG) and abstain rate $\% \emptyset$. Our method provides more meaningful certified output in pixels the state-of-the-art abstains from (white pixels), with a much lower abstain rate, and higher CIG. The segmentation color palette can be found in Figure 2.

However, their practical applicability is not studied!

What will we do?

Project Tasks

- Adversarial Attacks: Patch Attacks and Image-wide attacks:
 - PGD, APGD, AutoAttack and CosPGD (for semantic segmentation)
- OOD Robustness studies:
 - using 2D and 3D Common Corruptions,
 - in case of semantic segmentation: inference on Zurich night and ACDC.

Important Certified Robustness Works we will use

- Xiang, Chong, Saeed Mahloujifar, and Prateek Mittal. "{PatchCleanser}: Certifiably robust defense against adversarial patches for any image classifier." *31st USENIX Security Symposium (USENIX Security 22)*. 2022.
- Anani, Alaa, et al. "Adaptive Hierarchical Certification for Segmentation using Randomized Smoothing." *Forty-first International Conference on Machine Learning*
- Cohen, Jeremy, Elan Rosenfeld, and Zico Kolter. "Certified adversarial robustness via randomized smoothing." *international conference on machine learning*. PMLR, 2019.
- C. -C. Kao, C. -S. Lu and C. -M. Yu, "Image Forensics Strikes Back: Defense Against Adversarial Patch," 2024 IEEE International Conference on Visual Communications and Image Processing (VCIP), Tokyo, Japan, 2024, pp. 1-5, doi: 10.1109/VCIP63160.2024.10849849.
- Xiang, Chong, et al. "Certifiably Robust RAG against Retrieval Corruption." arXiv preprint arXiv:2405.15556 (2024).
- PatchDEMUX: A Certifiably Robust Framework for Multi-label Classifiers Against Adversarial Patches, Dennis Jacob, Chong Xiang, Prateek Mittal
- Xiang, Chong, and Prateek Mittal. "PATCHGUARD++: EFFICIENT PROVABLE ATTACK DE-TECTION AGAINST ADVERSARIAL PATCHES."
- Xiang, Chong, et al. "{PatchGuard}: A provably robust defense against adversarial patches via small receptive fields and masking." *30th USENIX Security Symposium (USENIX Security 21)*. 2021.

Important details

- Language: English
- Duration: 1 semester
- Min/max number of participants: 4-6
- Prerequisites: Intermediate Python and Pytorch skills
- Applicable to MMDS: yes
- Online: possible (preferred)

Further Questions

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“Team Project Fall 2025”

Please also include:

Proficiency in Python and Pytorch



Thank
You!

The image features the words "Thank You!" in a highly stylized, 3D pop-art font. The word "Thank" is positioned above "You!". The letters of "Thank" are filled with a vertical gradient from purple at the top to orange at the bottom, with a pink-to-orange gradient on the right side. The letters of "You!" are filled with a vertical gradient from light blue at the top to green at the bottom. Each letter is outlined in black and has a 3D effect with a shadow on its right side. The text is surrounded by several yellow five-pointed stars, each with a black outline and a small black dot in the center. The stars are arranged in a circular pattern around the text, with some appearing to be attached to the letters. The background is plain white.

APPENDIX

Meeting Schedule

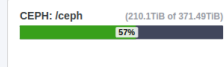
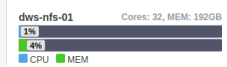
- Weekly Meetings: Time and Day to be decided

Coding Ethics

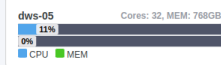
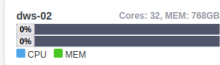
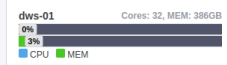
- Maintain a Project github
- Work on branches
- Please push changes to your branch after EVERY SITTING

What is a cluster?

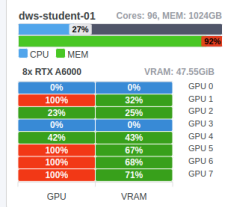
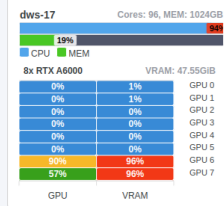
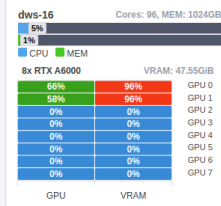
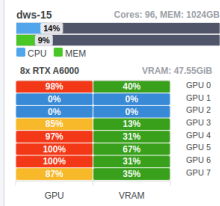
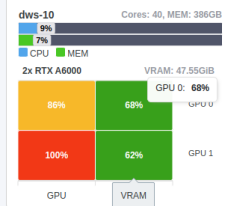
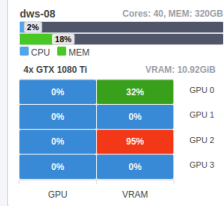
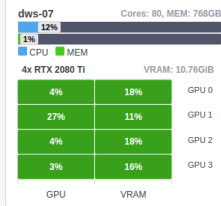
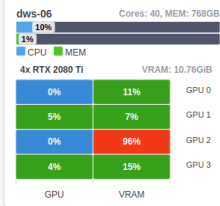
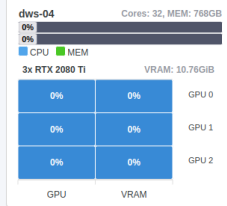
NFS-Server / Storage



CPU Server



GPU Server



How to access the cluster?

Be inside the university network

Or

Use Uni Mannheim VPN

What do we use?

<https://wiki.bwhpc.de/e/BwUniCluster2.0>

Page: Discussion

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BwUniCluster2.0

The **bwUniCluster 2.0** is the joint high-performance computer system of Baden-Württemberg's Universities and Universities of Applied Sciences for **general purpose and teaching** and located at the Steinbuch Centre for Computing (SCC) at Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT). The bwUniCluster 2.0 complements the four bwForClusters and their dedicated scientific areas.

The following issue is known: Due to the hardware configuration, there is currently an already known problem with OpenMPI on the nodes in the "multiple_f" partition. It manifests itself in the warning "No Openfabrics connection schemes reported" when starting an MPI application and refers to the device "mlx5_2". This is an Ethernet port, which is not supposed to be used by OpenMPI. The warning is informative, we are working on suppressing this message.

Training & Support

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User Documentation

- Access: Registration, Deregistration, Using Jupyter, Using Jupyter (German)
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Cluster Funding

- Please acknowledge bwUniCluster 2.0 in your publications.

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How do we login?

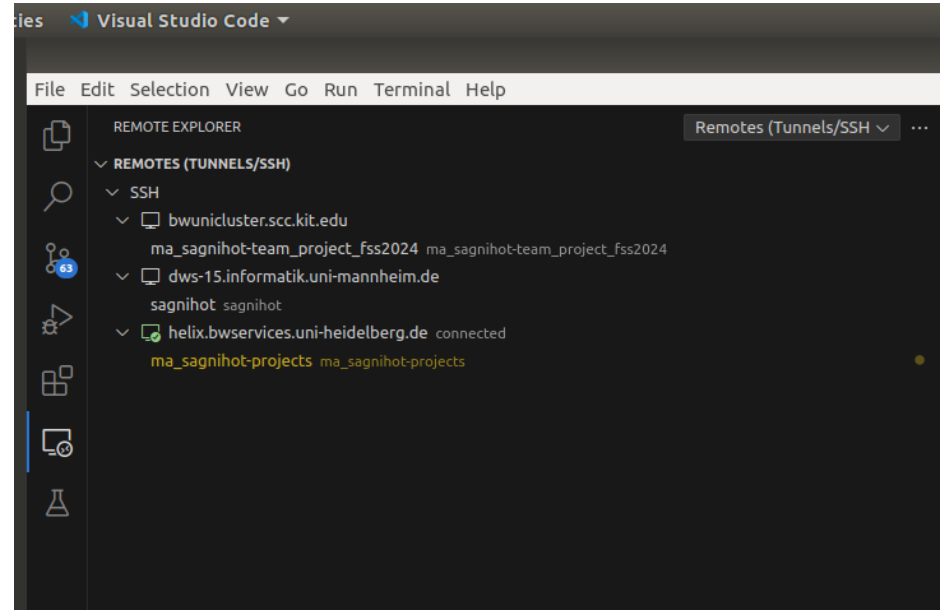
<https://wiki.bwhpc.de/e/BwUniCluster2.0/Login>

`ssh ma_<user_name>@bwunicluster.scc.kit.edu`

Example: my username is sagnihot

So I use:

`ssh ma_sagnihot@bwunicluster.scc.kit.edu`



Where do we store our files and data?

Please use workspaces.

```
ws_allocate team_project_fss2024 60 -m <email_id> -r 4
```

And then cd to the path

```
(base) [ma_sagnihot@uc2n995 ~]$ ws_allocate team_project_fss2024 60 -m shashank.agnihotri@uni-mannheim.de -r 3
Info: creating workspace.
/pfs/work7/workspace/scratch/ma_sagnihot-team_project_fss2024
remaining extensions : 3
remaining time in days: 60
(base) [ma_sagnihot@uc2n995 ~]$ cd /pfs/work7/workspace/scratch/ma_sagnihot-team_project_fss2024
(base) [ma_sagnihot@uc2n995 ma_sagnihot-team_project_fss2024]$ ws_list
id: projects
  workspace directory : /pfs/work7/workspace/scratch/ma_sagnihot-projects
  remaining time      : 58 days 4 hours
  creation time       : Tue Feb 27 16:27:15 2024
  expiration date     : Sat Apr 27 17:27:15 2024
  filesystem name     : pfs5wor7
  available extensions : 3
id: team_project_fss2024
  workspace directory : /pfs/work7/workspace/scratch/ma_sagnihot-team_project_fss2024
  remaining time      : 59 days 23 hours
  creation time       : Thu Feb 29 12:03:38 2024
  expiration date     : Mon Apr 29 13:03:38 2024
  filesystem name     : pfs5wor7
  available extensions : 3
(base) [ma_sagnihot@uc2n995 ma_sagnihot-team_project_fss2024]$
```

How to setup anaconda?

```
wget https://repo.anaconda.com/miniconda/Miniconda3-latest-Linux-x86\_64.sh
```

```
chmod +x Miniconda3-latest-Linux-x86_64.sh
```

```
./Miniconda3-latest-Linux-x86_64.sh
```

Yes

```
<path to your workspace>/miniconda3
```

Example: /pfs/work7/workspace/scratch/ma_sagnihot-team_project_fss2024/miniconda3

When done: source ~/.bashrc

What is SLURM?

<https://wiki.bwhpc.de/e/BwUniCluster2.0/Slurm>

1.2 Slurm Commands (excerpt)

Some of the most used Slurm commands for non-administrators working on bwUniCluster 2.0.

Slurm commands	Brief explanation
<code>sbatch</code>	Submits a job and queues it in an input queue [sbatch]
<code>scontrol show job</code>	Displays detailed job state information [scontrol]
<code>squeue</code>	Displays information about active, eligible, blocked, and/or recently completed jobs [squeue]
<code>squeue --start</code>	Returns start time of submitted job or requested resources [squeue]
<code>sinfo -t idle</code>	Shows what resources are available for immediate use [sinfo]
<code>scancel</code>	Cancel a job (obsoleted!) [scancel]

- [Slurm Tutorials](#)
- [Slurm command/option summary \(2 pages\)](#)
- [Slurm Commands](#)

What do we use on this cluster?

bwUniCluster 2.0 sbatch -p <i>queue</i>				
queue	node	default resources	minimum resources	maximum resources
dev_gpu_4_a100	IceLake + A100	time=10, mem-per-gpu=127500mb, cpus-per-gpu=16		time=30, nodes=1, mem=510000mb, ntasks-per-node=64, (threads-per-core=2)
gpu_4_a100	IceLake + A100	time=10, mem-per-gpu=127500mb, cpus-per-gpu=16		time=48:00:00, nodes=9, mem=510000mb, ntasks-per-node=64, (threads-per-core=2)
gpu_4_h100	IceLake + H100	time=10, mem-per-gpu=127500mb, cpus-per-gpu=16		time=48:00:00, nodes=5, mem=510000mb, ntasks-per-node=64, (threads-per-core=2)
fat	fat	time=10, mem-per-cpu=18750mb	mem=180001mb	time=72:00:00, nodes=1, mem=3000000mb, ntasks-per-node=64, (threads-per-core=2)
dev_gpu_4	gpu4	time=10, mem-per-gpu=94000mb, cpus-per-gpu=10		time=30, nodes=1, mem=376000, ntasks-per-node=40, (threads-per-core=2) 1 node is reserved for this queue Only for development, i.e. debugging or performance optimization ...
gpu_4	gpu4	time=10, mem-per-gpu=94000mb, cpus-per-gpu=10		time=48:00:00, mem=376000, nodes=14, ntasks-per-node=40, (threads-per-core=2)
gpu_8	gpu8	time=10, mem-per-cpu=94000mb, cpus-per-gpu=10		time=48:00:00, mem=752000, nodes=10, ntasks-per-node=40, (threads-per-core=2)

Get a gpu for debugging?

For 32GB Nvidia Tesla V100:

```
srunch -p dev_gpu_4 --gres=gpu:1 --nodes=1 --ntasks-per-node=1 --time=0:30:00 --mem=55gb --cpus-per-task=16 --pty bash
```

Or

For 80GB Nvidia A100:

```
srunch -p dev_gpu_4_a100 --gres=gpu:1 --nodes=1 --ntasks-per-node=1 --time=0:30:00 --mem=55gb --cpus-per-task=16 --pty bash
```


How to submit a job?

```
sbatch <path_to_bash_script>
```

```
(base) [ma_sagnihot@o05i14 freq-restormer]$ sbatch scripts/train_flc_pgd.sh
```

```
freq-restormer > scripts > $ example.sh
1 #!/usr/bin/env bash
2 #SBATCH --time=47:59:59
3 #SBATCH --nodes=1
4 #SBATCH --ntasks=1
5 #SBATCH --partition=gpu_4 # or gpu_8 or gpu_4_a100 or gpu_4_h100
6 #SBATCH --gres=gpu:1
7 #SBATCH --mem=100G
8 #SBATCH --cpus-per-task=16
9 #SBATCH -J Name_of_JOB
10 #SBATCH --array=0-2%3
11 #SBATCH --output=slurm/Job_%.A_%.out
12 #SBATCH --mail-type=ALL
13 #SBATCH --mail-user=shashank.agnihotri@uni-mannheim.de
14
15
16 echo "Started at $(date)";
17 echo "Running job: $SLURM_JOB_NAME array id: $SLURM_ARRAY_TASK_ID using $SLURM_JOB_CPUS_PER_NODE cpus per node with given JID $SLURM_JOB_ID on queue $SLURM_JOB_PARTITION";
18
19
20 CONFIG="Motion_Deblurring/Options/Deblurring_Restormer.yml"
21
22 # python -W ignore basicsr/train.py -opt $CONFIG --flc --use_alpha --learn_alpha --blur --gpu_id 0 --zero_padding --upsample_method 'FreqAvgUp'
23
24 #### NN000WWW NN000WWWWW
25
26 if [[ $SLURM_ARRAY_TASK_ID -eq 0 ]]
27 then
28     python -W ignore basicsr/train.py -opt $CONFIG --flc --adversarial --use_alpha --learn_alpha --blur --gpu_id 0 --zero_padding --upsample_method 'FreqAvgUp' --attack_method pgd --attack_iterations 3 --attack_alpha 0.01
29
30 elif [[ $SLURM_ARRAY_TASK_ID -eq 1 ]]
31 then
32     python -W ignore basicsr/train.py -opt $CONFIG --flc --adversarial --use_alpha --learn_alpha --blur --gpu_id 0 --zero_padding --upsample_method 'SplitUp' --attack_method pgd --attack_iterations 3 --attack_alpha 0.01
33
34 elif [[ $SLURM_ARRAY_TASK_ID -eq 2 ]]
35 then
36     python -W ignore basicsr/train.py -opt $CONFIG --flc --adversarial --use_alpha --drop_alpha --learn_alpha --blur --gpu_id 0 --zero_padding --upsample_method 'FreqAvgUp' --attack_method pgd --attack_iterations 3 --attack_alpha 0.01
37 else
38     echo "All Submitted"
39 fi
40
41
42 end= date +%s
43 runtime=$((end-start))
44
45 echo Runtime: $runtime
```

Create a folder slurm/ inside the repository to store all slurm outputs

How to control jobs?

Job monitoring:

```
watch -n 1 queue -u <user_name>
```

Cancelling a job:

```
Scancel job_id
```

Example:

```
(base) [ma_sagnihot@o05i14 ma_sagnihot-projects]$ queue -u ma_sagnihot
      JOBID PARTITION   NAME     USER ST       TIME  NODES NODELIST(REASON)
2543759_[0-9%9]   single Train_fr ma_sagni PD        0:00     1 (Priority)
      2525248_2   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 2-01:33:37     1 o04c06
      2525248_1   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 2-01:34:53     1 o07c02
      2525245_1   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 2-03:23:56     1 p04c03
      2525248_0   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 2-03:19:12     1 o07c01
      2525248_9   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 1-17:09:03     1 p03c02
      2525248_6   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 1-19:20:53     1 o04c02
      2525248_8   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 1-18:07:15     1 p02c01
      2525248_5   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 1-20:52:49     1 o04c05
      2525248_4   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 1-22:15:09     1 p04c04
      2525248_3   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 1-22:38:15     1 o07c05
      2525245_0   single Train_fr ma_sagni R 2-05:03:36     1 p04c04
(base) [ma_sagnihot@o05i14 ma_sagnihot-projects]$ scancel 2543759
```

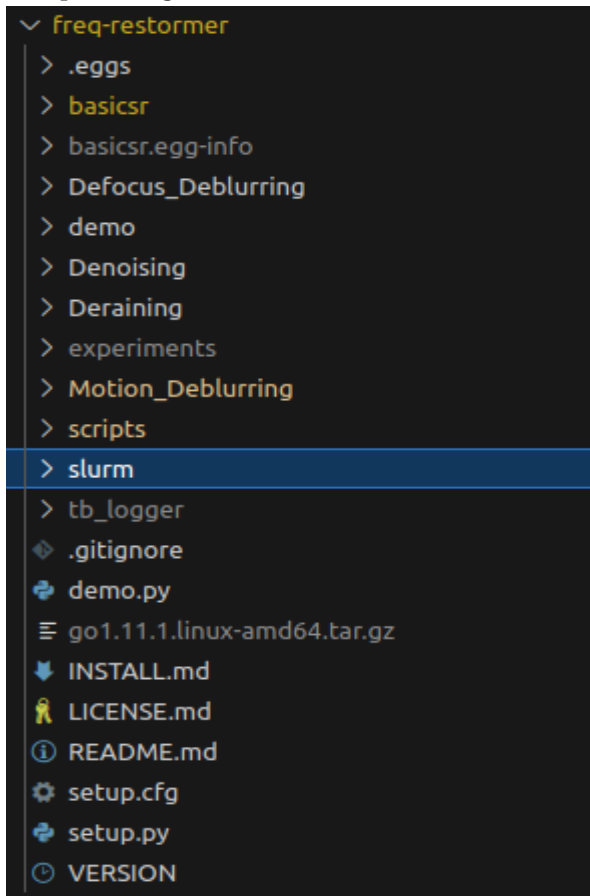
Example Project Structure

The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for 'cospgd'. At the top, the repository name 'cospgd' is displayed as 'Public'. Navigation buttons include 'Unpin', 'Unwatch 1', 'Fork 0', and 'Star 8'. Below this, the current branch is 'main' with '1 Branch' and '0 Tags'. A search bar 'Go to file' and 'Add file' button are present, along with a 'Code' button. The main content area shows a list of files and folders with their last update status:

File/Folder	Last Update	Commit Count
assets	editing readme	7 months ago
cospgd	editing readme	7 months ago
unet_backbones	editing readme	7 months ago
.gitignore	added attack_ implementations to use for all subset repos	8 months ago
LICENSE.md	adding license	7 months ago
README.md	Update README.md	5 months ago
setup.py	better documentation	7 months ago

Below the file list, there are links for 'README' and 'MIT license'. The repository title 'CosPGD' is prominently displayed. Below the title, there are two images showing a scene with stone structures and a sunset. On the right side, the 'About' section describes the repository as 'The official repository for CosPGD: a unified white-box adversarial attack for pixel-wise prediction tasks.' It lists various task categories: semantic, benchmarking, vision, segmentation, optical-flow, adversarial, attacks, semantic-segmentation, image-denoising, image-restoration, depth-estimation, image-deblurring, pixel-wise, unet-pytorch, unet-segmentation, benchmarking-functions, pixel-wise-regression, adversarial-att, and pixel-wise-classification. Below this, there are links for 'Readme', 'MIT license', 'Activity', '8 stars', '1 watching', and '0 forks'. The 'Releases' section indicates 'No releases published' and provides a link to 'Create a new release'.

Example sub project structure



Google

Good website:

1. Stackoverflow
2. Pytorch.org
3. Python websites

The error message from others might be very different but the solution might be similar

The screenshot shows a Google search for "cuda out of memory pytorch". The search bar is at the top with the Google logo on the left and search, voice, and image icons on the right. Below the search bar are tabs for Videos, Images, How to fix, Management, Stable Diffusion, News, Colab, Books, and Finance. The search results are as follows:

- Saturn Cloud**: <https://saturncloud.io/blog/how-to-solve-cuda-out-o-...>
How to Solve CUDA Out of Memory Error in PyTorch
7 Jun 2023 — Solutions to 'CUDA out of memory' Error · 1. Reduce model size · 2. Reduce batch size · 3. Reduce data augmentation · 4. Optimize memory usage.
- Stack Overflow**: <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/how-can-i-fix-t-...>
"RuntimeError: CUDA error: out of memory"? ...
26 Jan 2019 — I am a PyTorch user. In my case, the cause for this error message was actually not due to GPU memory, but due to the version mismatch between ...
16 answers · Top answer: The error occurs because you ran out of memory on your GPU. One...
How to avoid "CUDA out of memory" in PyTorch - Stack Overflow 1 Dec 2019
CUDA Out of memory when there is plenty available 30 May 2022
PyTorch RuntimeError: CUDA out of memory with a huge ... 16 Mar 2022
How to fix PyTorch RuntimeError: CUDA error: out of memory? 6 Jul 2021
More results from stackoverflow.com
- People also ask**:
 - How do I fix a CUDA error out of memory?
 - How do I accelerate CUDA out of memory error?
 - What is CUDA out of memory already allocated?
 - How do I allocate more memory to PyTorch GPU?
- Medium** · Nitin Kishore 1 year ago
Solving the "RuntimeError: CUDA Out of memory" error
Solving the "RuntimeError: CUDA Out of memory" error · Reduce the 'batch_size' · Lower the Precision · Do what the error says · Clear cache · Modify ...
- Saturn Cloud**: <https://saturncloud.io/blog/how-to-solve-cuda-out-o-...>
How to Solve 'CUDA out of memory' in PyTorch
23 Oct 2023 — Solution #1: Reduce Batch Size or Use Gradient Accumulation. As we mentioned earlier, one of the most common causes of the 'CUDA out of memory' ...
- PyTorch**: <https://pytorch.org/docs/stable/notes/faq>
Frequently Asked Questions — PyTorch 2.2 documentation
My model reports "cuda runtime error(2): out of memory". As the error message suggests, you

APPENDIX: Pretraining



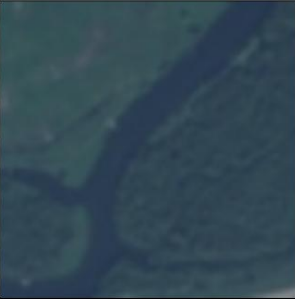






ImageNet pretraining: We use a learning rate of $2e^{-3}$ and train with a batch size of 1024 for 300 epochs.

CLIP pretraining: We train for 200K iterations on 0.7B image-text pairs from (Cao et al., 2023) using a learning rate of $5e^{-4}$ and a batch size of 65.5K.

DINO pretraining: We use a learning rate of $3e^{-3}$ and train for 100, 200, 300, 10K, 15K and 20K epochs on CC3M, Places, ImageNet, EuroSAT, ADE20K and HAM10K datasets, respectively, with a batch size of 1024.

Task-agnostic VFM feature distillation: We train for 100 epochs with a batch size of 2048 when using CC3M transfer set. We train for 200 epochs with a batch size of 2048 when using Places365 and ImageNet transfer sets. We train for 10K and 20K epochs with a batch size of 1024 when using ADE20K and HAM10K transfer sets, respectively. When using EuroSAT transfer set, we train for 10K epochs using a batch size of 2048. We use a learning rate $1e^{-3}$ for these distillation experiments.

Sneak Peak

Query Class	Highway	Residential	River
Query Image			
Matched Crop			
Retrieved Original Image			
Paired Text	Aviation Photos	Karen Metallic Cardigan	US Army Bullion Patch

Why this paper?

- Fairly well ablated recipe for distilling knowledge from VFMs to very Small models.
- Limited labels setting explored.
- Some very interesting insights into the “transfer dataset” used.

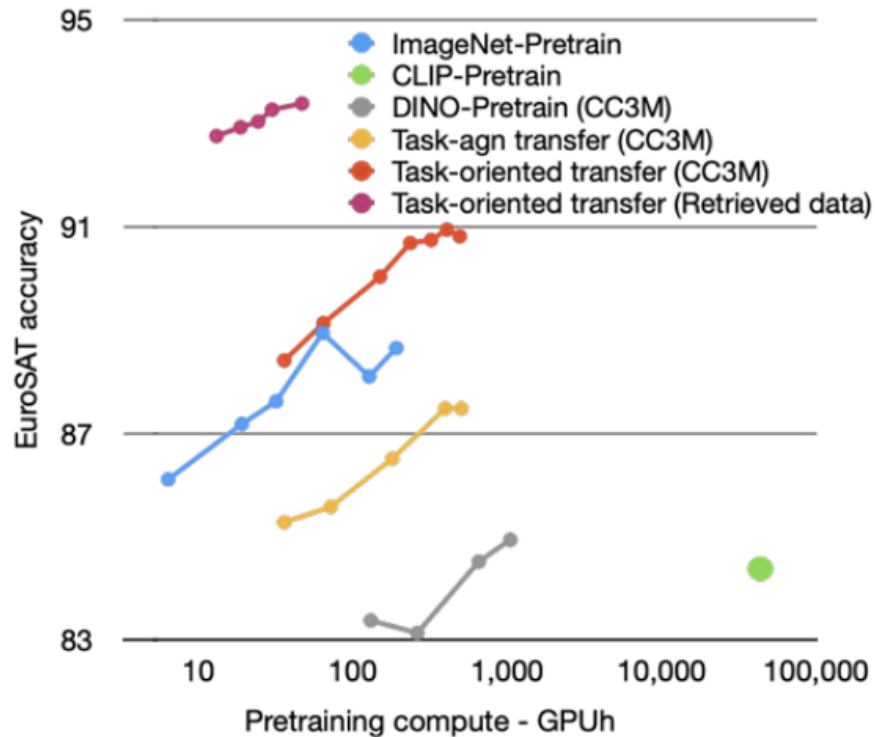
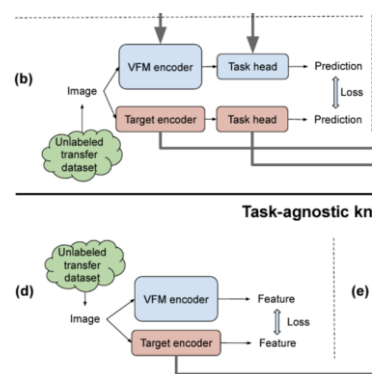


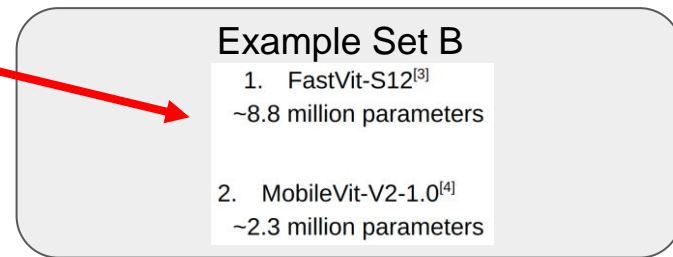
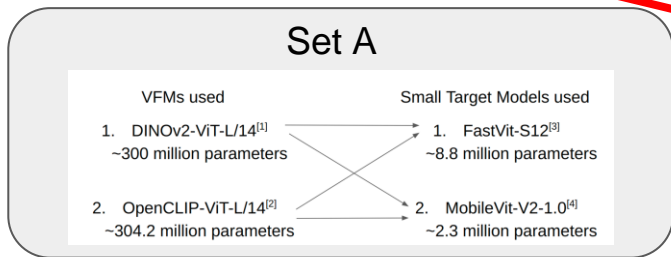
Figure 1

Task Oriented Transfer is the best!



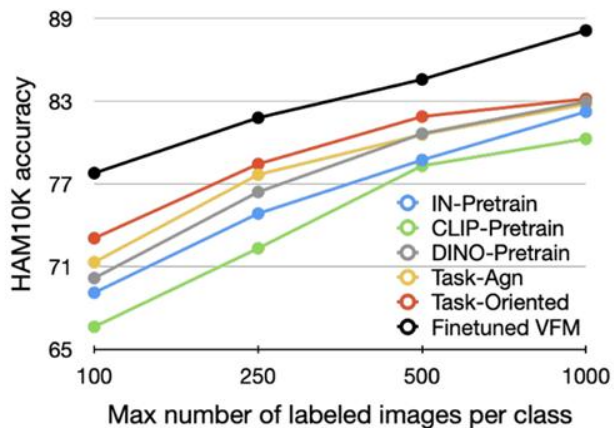
Improvement over	When using generic CC3M transfer set					When using target task-related transfer set				
	HAM10K	EuroSAT	Places365	ImageNet	ADE20K	HAM10K	EuroSAT	Places365	ImageNet	ADE20K
Task-agnostic transfer	0.38 - 2.91	1.25 - 5.27	1.88 - 4.89	1.90 - 11.6	3.41 - 10.5	1.01 - 3.53	0.71 - 2.35	1.38 - 3.47	3.40 - 6.30	1.11 - 6.25
CLIP-Pretrain	2.89 - 6.79	1.81 - 9.55	2.20 - 5.50	2.30 - 11.2	6.52 - 20.9	5.93 - 11.4	4.24 - 15.5	3.38 - 7.72	5.30 - 22.1	5.45 - 19.2
IN-Pretrain	0.93 - 4.27	0.21 - 3.73	2.19 - 8.17	-	5.12 - 13.7	3.97 - 8.93	2.64 - 9.64	3.37 - 9.89	-	3.53 - 12.0
DINO-Pretrain	0.29 - 2.89	2.59 - 6.94	2.88 - 8.46	2.43 - 29.8	7.86 - 15.4	4.70 - 8.76	5.57 - 12.6	2.72 - 4.50	4.00 - 21.7	8.84 - 18.1

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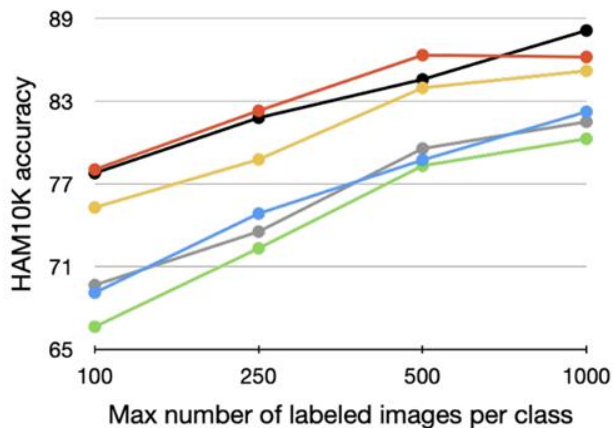


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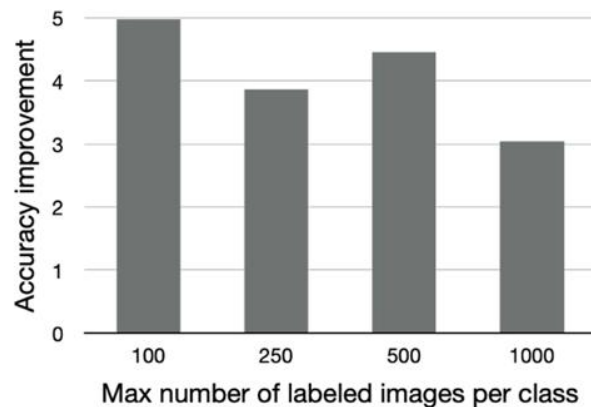
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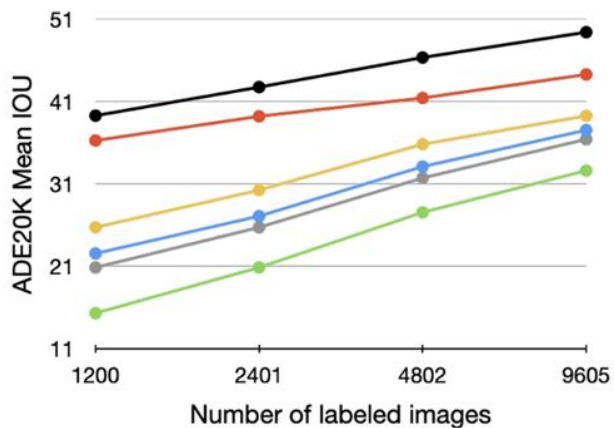
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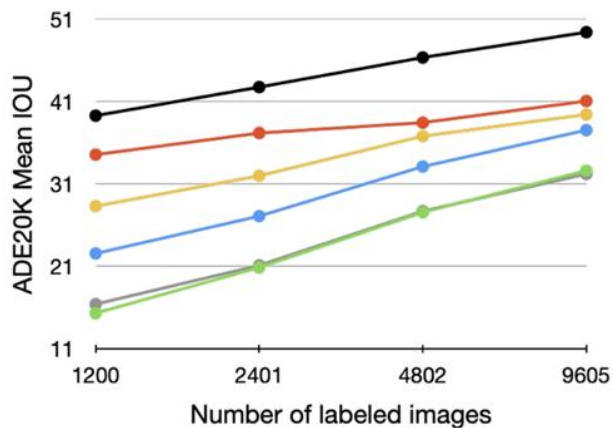
DINOv2 - HAM10K vs CC3M Transfer



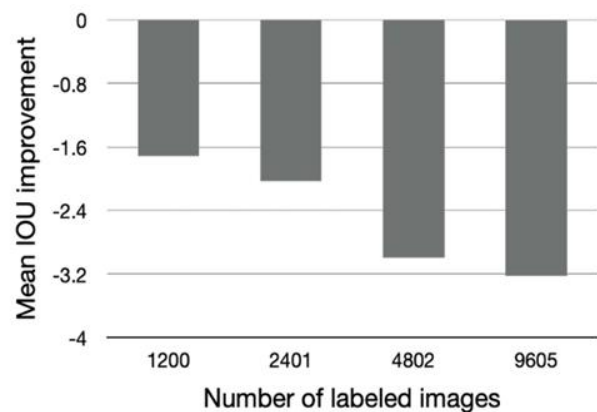
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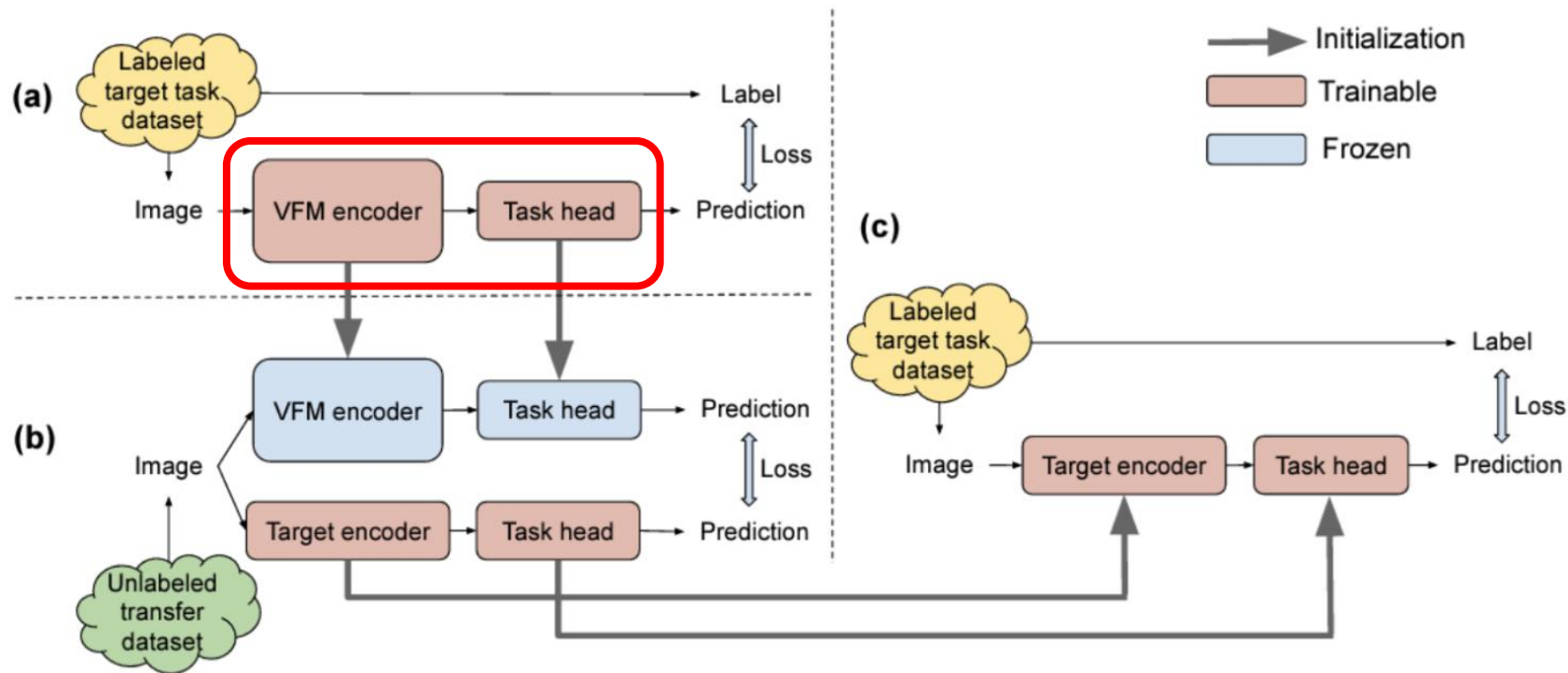


DINOv2 - ADE20K vs CC3M Transfer



Ablating Task-Oriented Transfer

Proposed task-oriented knowledge transfer



Ablating Task-Oriented Transfer: Fine-tuning v/s Linear Probing

Dataset	HAM10K	EuroSAT	Places365	ImageNet
Labeled data	100 img/cls	10 img/cls	250 img/cls	50%
VFM	DINOv2	OpenCLIP	OpenCLIP	OpenCLIP

VFM performance

VFM-LP	71.10	87.33	52.39	84.07
VFM-FT	76.92	92.63	54.48	86.05

Task-oriented knowledge transfer with generic CC3M transfer set

VFM-LP	69.97	89.59	52.87	78.13
VFM-FT	73.06	90.21	53.33	78.40

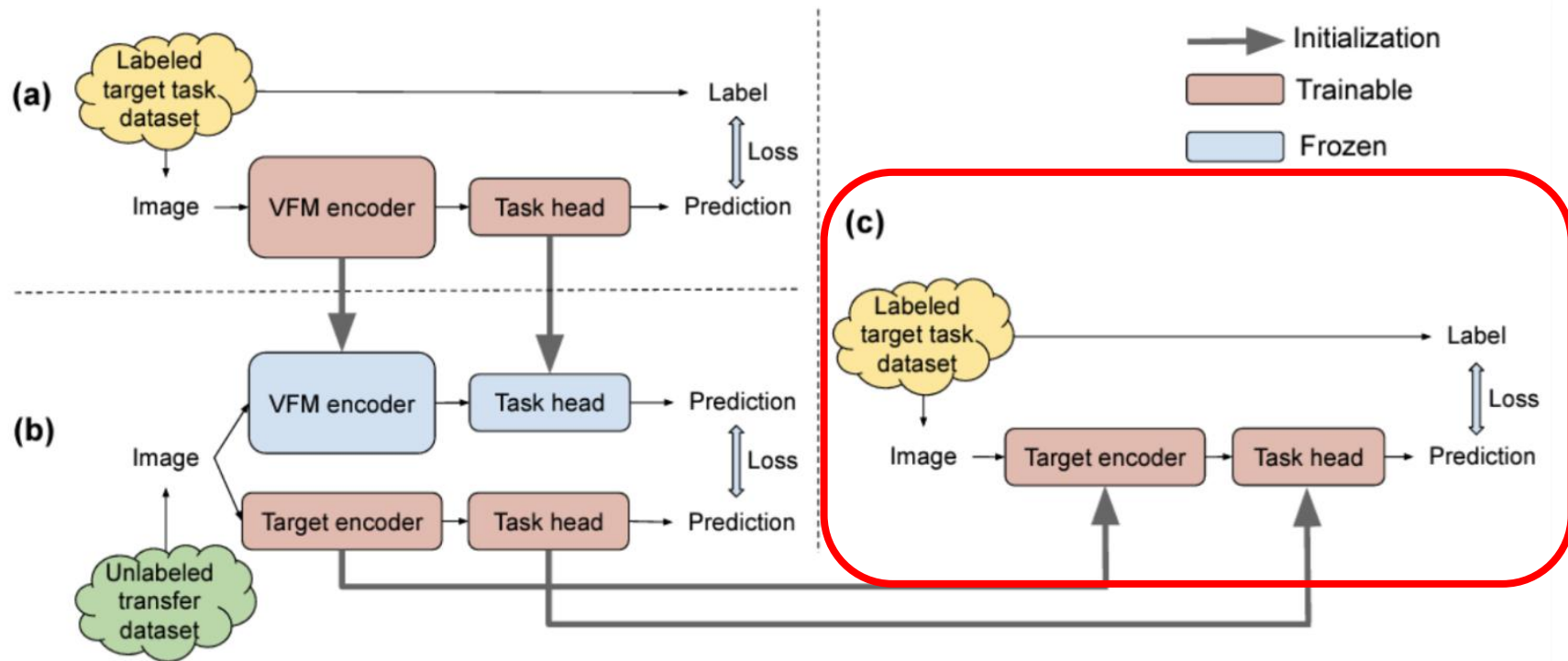
Task-oriented knowledge transfer with target task-related transfer set

VFM-LP	74.60	94.37	54.69	81.01
VFM-FT	78.04	94.63	54.82	81.43

Table 2

Ablating Task-Oriented Transfer

Proposed task-oriented knowledge transfer

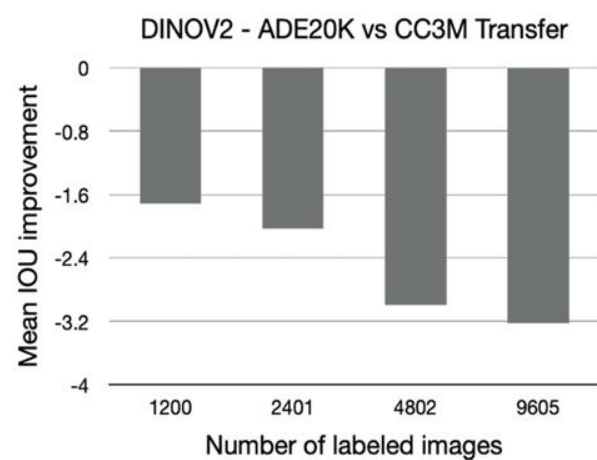
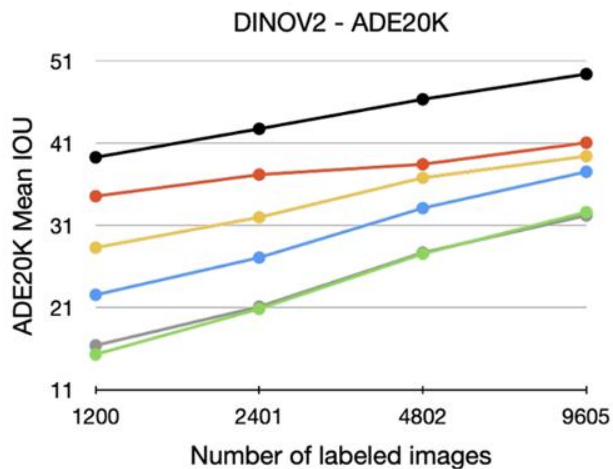
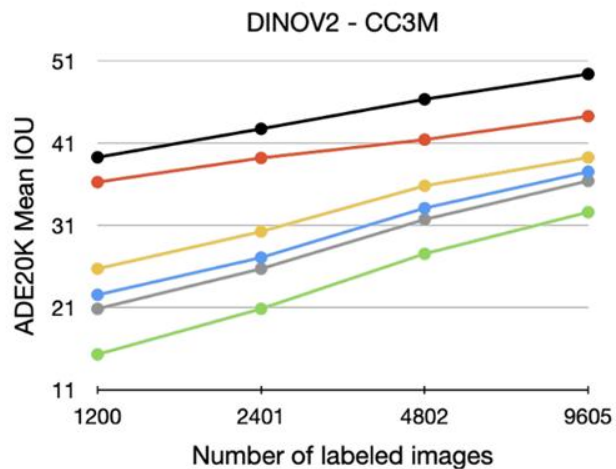


Ablating Task-Oriented Transfer: Fine-tuning Target Model

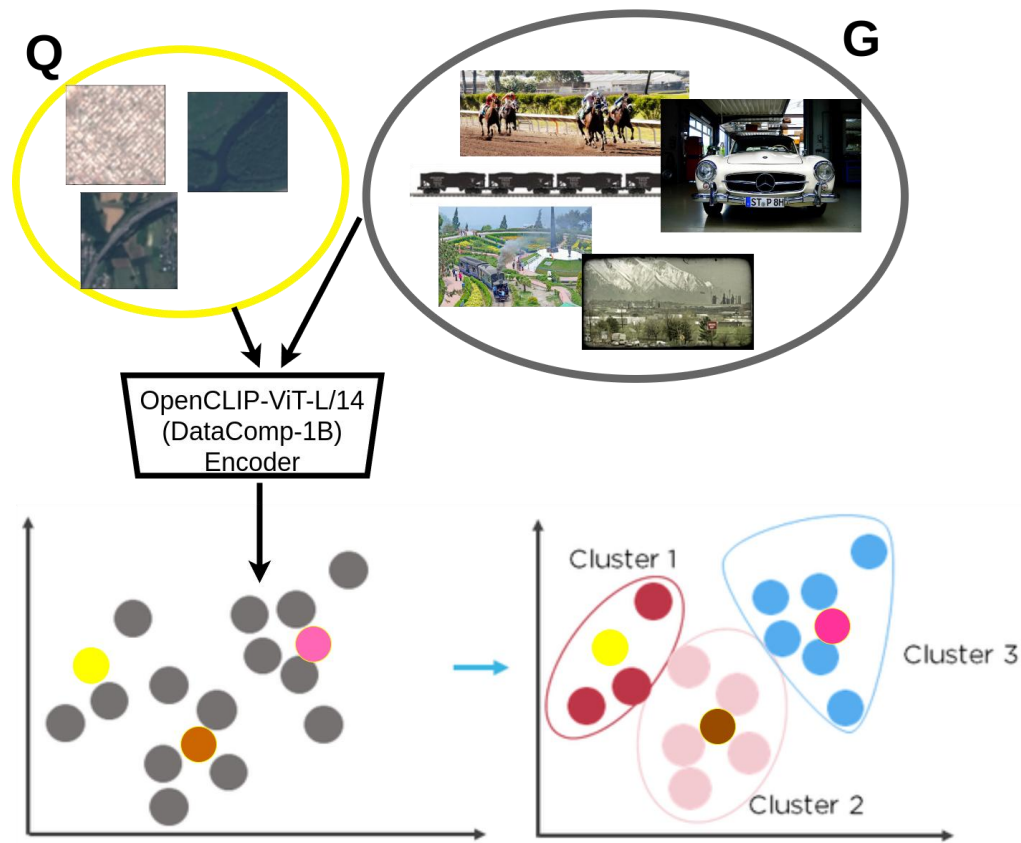
Pretraining dataset - CC3M transfer set			
ADE20K	Number of labeled training images	1200	2401
	Performance gain	2.19	2.03
ImageNet	Percentage of labeled training images	10	25
	Performance gain	3.8	5.8
HAM10K	Maximum labeled training images per class	250	500
	Performance gain	9.99	7.41
EuroSAT	Number of labeled training images per class	5	10
	Performance gain	3.3	4.9
Places365	Number of labeled training images per class	250	1000
	Performance gain	0.47	0.76
Pretraining dataset - Target task-related transfer set			
ADE20K	Number of labeled training images	1200	2401
	Performance gain	1.23	1.25

Table 3

Retrieval Augmented Knowledge Transfer



Retrieval Augmented Knowledge Transfer



Query Class	Highway	Residential	River
Query Image			
Matched Crop			
Retrieved Original Image			
Paired Text	Aviation Photos	Karen Metallic Cardigan	US Army Bullion Patch

Retrieval Augmented Knowledge Transfer

ADE20K mean IOU (transfer from DINOv2 VFM)

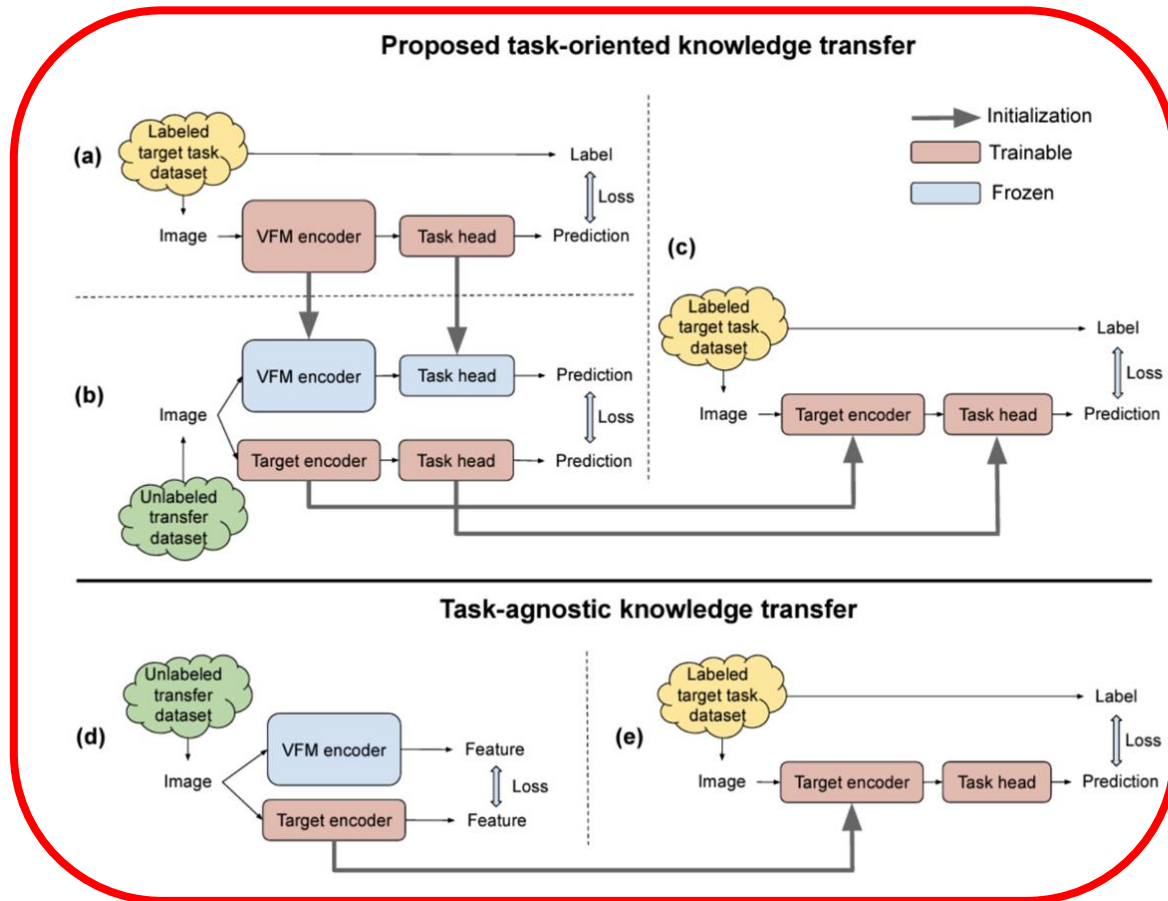
Labeled images / Query set size	1200	2401	4802	9605
Full ADE20K transfer (19.2K)	34.57	37.19	38.45	41.07
CC3M transfer (2.87M)	36.28	39.22	41.44	44.29
Retrieval augmented transfer (154K)	37.65	40.40	43.28	44.93

EuroSAT accuracy (transfer from OpenCLIP VFM)

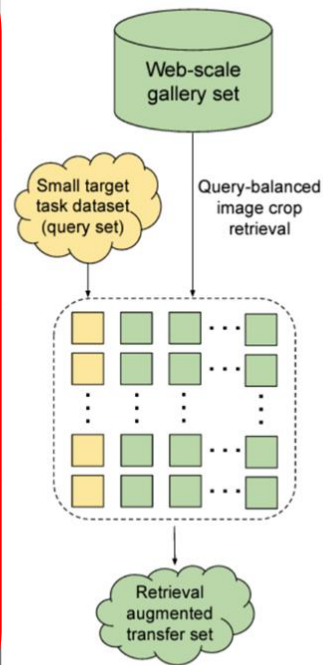
Labeled images / Query set size	50	100	250
Full EuroSAT transfer (2.7K)	90.74	94.63	96.83
CC3M transfer (2.87M)	85.14	90.21	94.25
Retrieval augmented transfer (51K)	89.23	93.25	96.35

Table 4. Comparison between various transfer sets in terms of their effectiveness for task-oriented knowledge transfer.

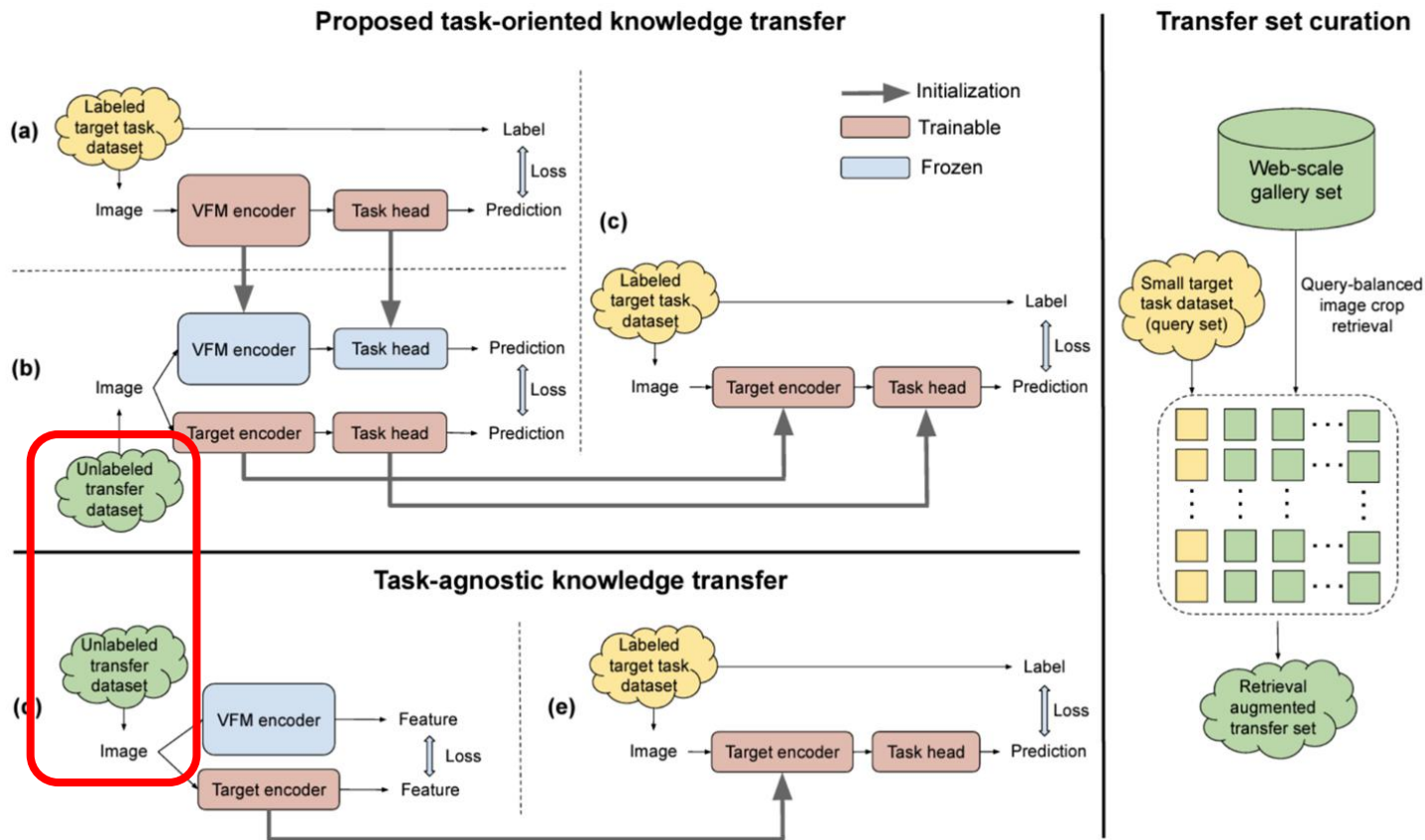
Conclusion



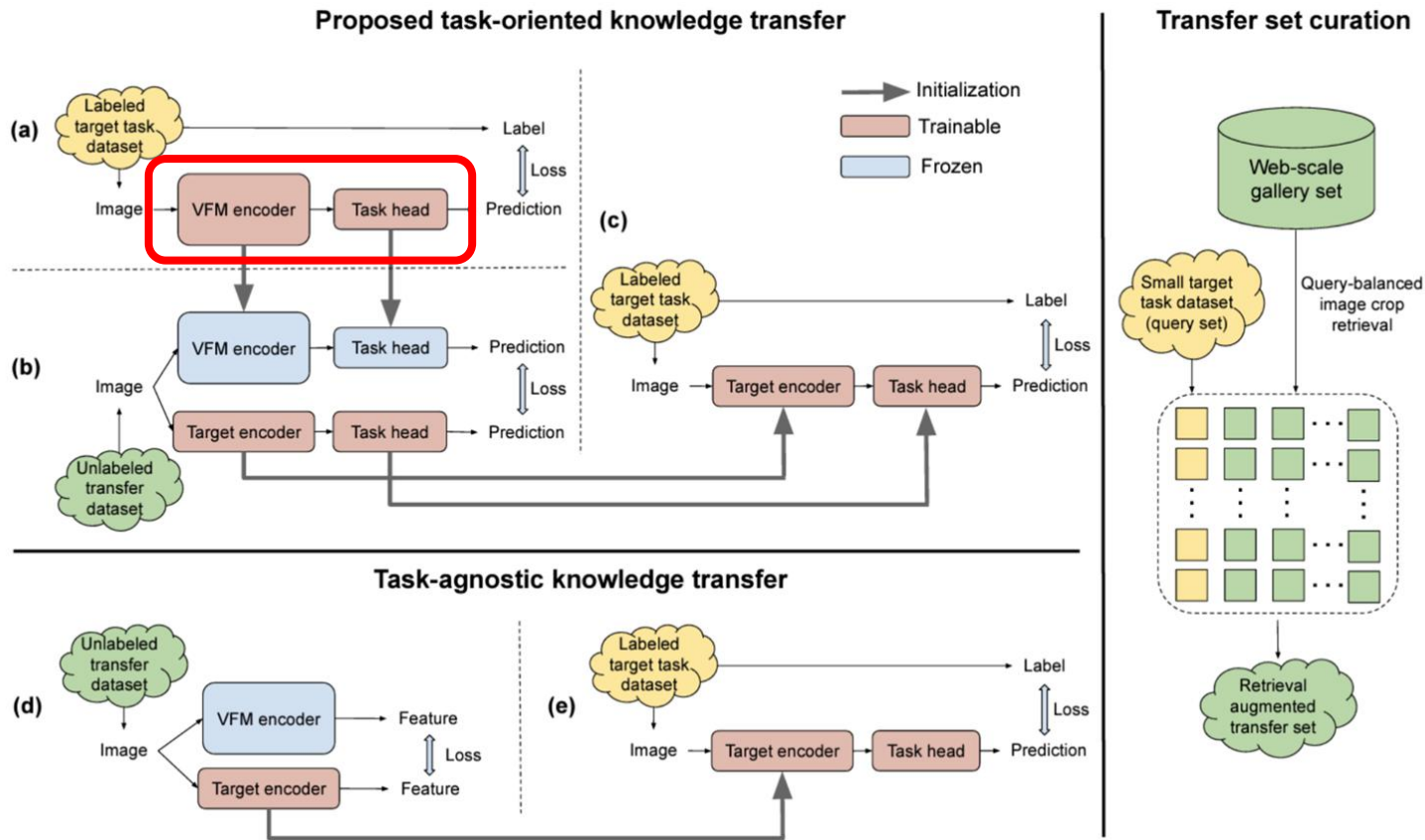
Transfer set curation



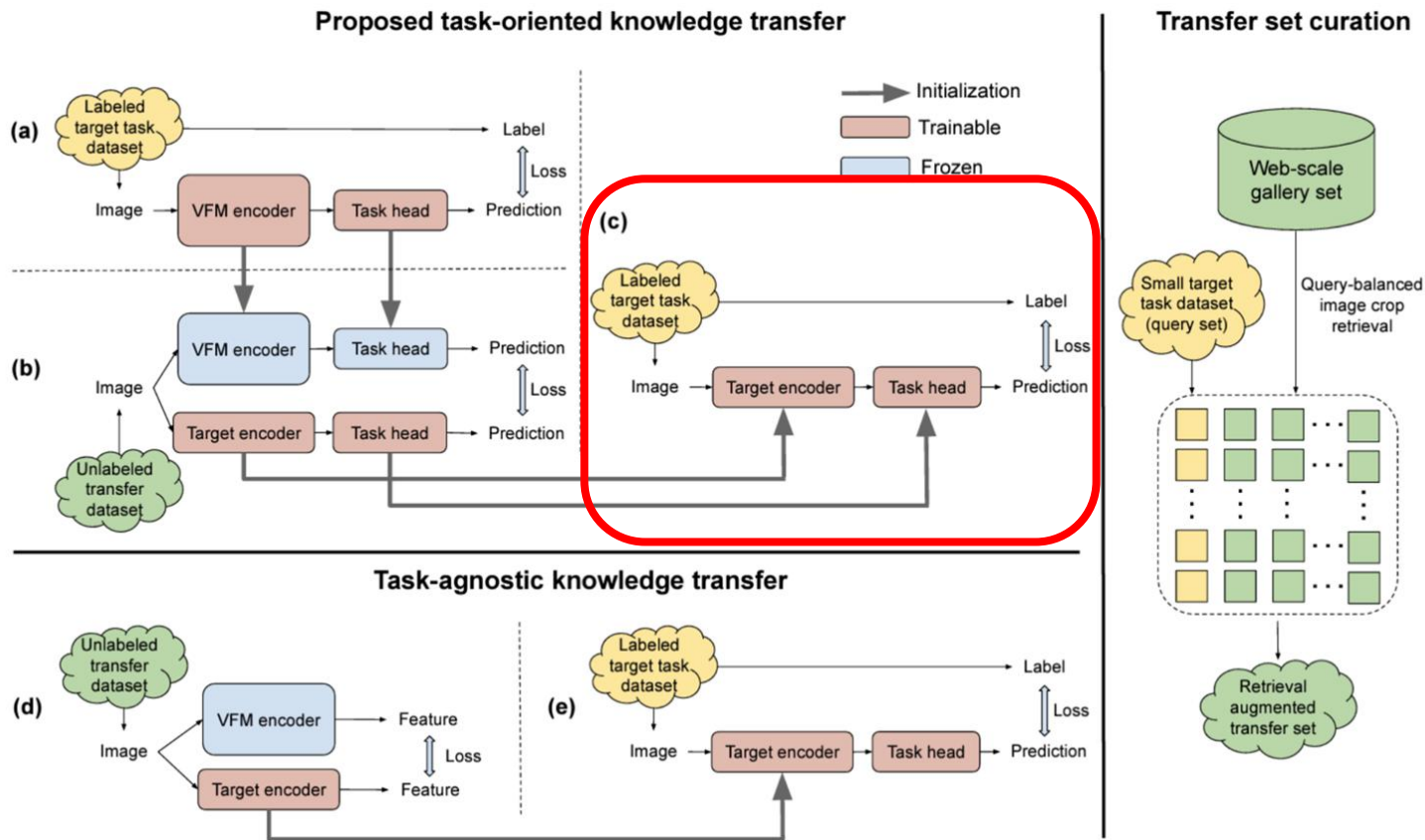
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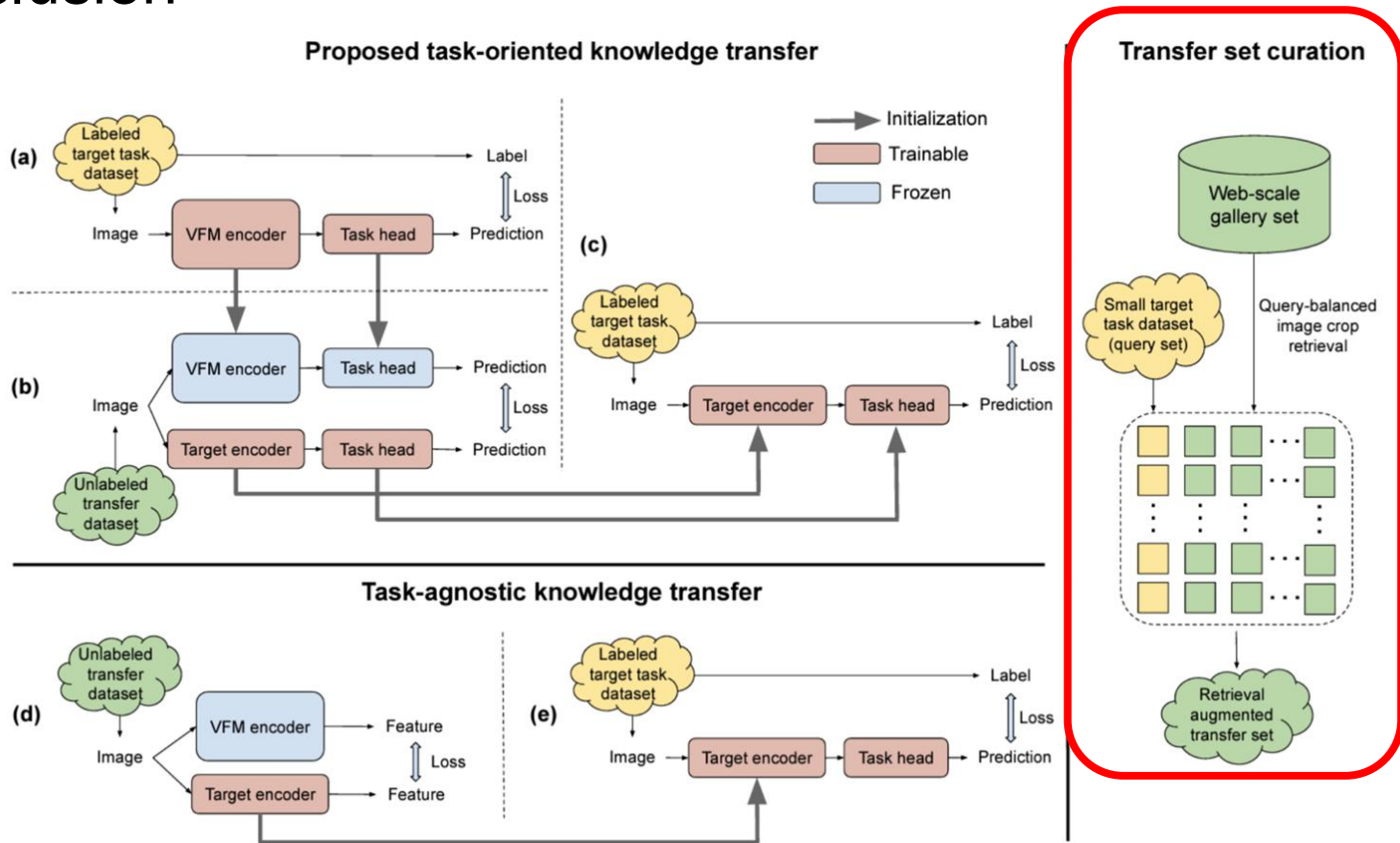
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Finetuned VFM (DINOv2)		87.36	92.65	95.66
Finetuned VFM (OpenCLIP)		87.99	92.63	96.08
IN-Pretrain		81.41	88.65	94.04
CLIP-Pretrain		75.59	84.38	92.44
DINO-Pretrain (CC3M)		78.20	84.83	91.66
DINO-Pretrain (EuroSAT)		78.50	83.65	91.11
DINOv2 (CC3M transfer)	Task-Agn (Patch)	76.52	86.11	92.66
	Task-Agn (Image)	79.81	87.66	93.52
	Task-Oriented	83.72	90.75	94.77
DINOv2 (EuroSAT transfer)	Task-Agn (Patch)	90.23	93.34	95.97
	Task-Agn (Image)	86.54	89.56	94.19
	Task-Oriented	91.05	94.71	96.68
OpenCLIP (CC3M transfer)	Task-Agn	79.87	87.10	92.91
	Task-Oriented	85.14	90.21	94.25
OpenCLIP (EuroSAT transfer)	Task-Agn	88.57	92.28	95.5
	Task-Oriented	90.74	94.63	96.83

Table 6. EuroSAT classification accuracy for FastViT target model.

Labeled training images per class	50	250	1000	
Finetuned VFM (DINOv2)	47.56 \pm 0.02	54.11 \pm 0.27	56.95 \pm 0.11	
Finetuned VFM (OpenCLIP)	48.30 \pm 0.59	54.26 \pm 0.19	57.03 \pm 0.17	
IN-Pretrain	40.58 \pm 0.14	47.96 \pm 0.09	52.33 \pm 0.14	
CLIP-Pretrain	45.17 \pm 0.03*	47.83 \pm 0.30	52.37 \pm 0.47	
DINO-Pretrain (CC3M)	40.29 \pm 0.26	48.20 \pm 0.16	52.74 \pm 0.12	
DINO-Pretrain (Places365)	45.97 \pm 0.18	50.85 \pm 0.12	53.96 \pm 0.06	
DINOv2 (CC3M transfer)	Task-Agn (Patch)	42.46 \pm 0.02*	49.60 \pm 0.11	53.49 \pm 0.06
	Task-Agn (Image)	44.52 \pm 0.13*	49.75 \pm 0.07	53.45 \pm 0.04
	Task-Oriented	47.81 \pm 0.05	53.09 \pm 0.05	55.62 \pm 0.05
DINOv2 (Places365 transfer)	Task-Agn (Patch)	46.45 \pm 0.05*	51.26 \pm 0.20	54.43 \pm 0.03
	Task-Agn (Image)	47.76 \pm 0.04*	51.45 \pm 0.32	54.45 \pm 0.21
	Task-Oriented	49.14 \pm 0.02	54.51 \pm 0.05	56.68 \pm 0.01
OpenCLIP (CC3M transfer)	Task-Agn	45.44 \pm 0.03*	49.56 \pm 0.05	53.59 \pm 0.09
	Task-Oriented	48.75 \pm 0.01	53.33 \pm 0.05	55.75 \pm 0.06
OpenCLIP (Places365 transfer)	Task-Agn	48.83 \pm 0.07*	51.92 \pm 0.26	54.74 \pm 0.10
	Task-Oriented	50.47 \pm 0.01	54.82 \pm 0.04	56.80 \pm 0.02

Table 7. Places365 classification accuracy for FastViT target model. The results marked with * are obtained by training only the classification layer instead of the entire model in the finetuning stage. Full finetuning produced inferior results in these cases.

Labeled training images		1200	2401	4802	9605
Finetuned VFM (DINOv2)		39.32 ± 0.11	42.76 ± 0.08	46.35 ± 0.09	49.42 ± 0.14
IN-Pretrain		22.58 ± 0.07	27.11 ± 0.06	33.12 ± 0.25	37.54 ± 0.02
CLIP-Pretrain		15.34 ± 0.20	20.88 ± 0.26	27.57 ± 0.11	32.63 ± 0.08
DINO-Pretrain (CC3M)		20.88 ± 0.27	25.75 ± 0.25	31.74 ± 0.08	36.43 ± 0.02
DINO-Pretrain (ADE20K)		16.43 ± 0.09	21.14 ± 0.20	27.71 ± 0.23	32.23 ± 0.23
DINOv2 (CC3M transfer)	Task-Agn (Patch)	25.75 ± 0.55	30.27 ± 0.14	35.83 ± 0.11	39.28 ± 0.54
	Task-Oriented	36.28 ± 0.01	39.22 ± 0.19	41.44 ± 0.15	44.29 ± 0.03
DINOv2 (ADE20K transfer)	Task-Agn (Patch)	28.32 ± 0.46	32.0 ± 0.19	36.81 ± 0.08	39.44 ± 0.22
	Task-Oriented	34.57 ± 0.02	37.19 ± 0.10	38.45 ± 0.05	41.07 ± 0.21

Table 8. ADE20K mean IOU for FastViT target model.

Maximum labeled training images per class	100	250	500	1000	
Finetuned VFM (DINOv2)	77.78 ± 0.61	81.79 ± 0.97	84.57 ± 1.88	88.12 ± 0.56	
Finetuned VFM (OpenCLIP)	75.13 ± 0.82	79.70 ± 1.19	85.12 ± 0.35	86.38 ± 0.74	
IN-Pretrain	69.11 ± 1.56	74.85 ± 0.82	78.73 ± 1.88	82.23 ± 1.37	
CLIP-Pretrain	66.64 ± 1.75	72.33 ± 1.11	78.31 ± 1.99	80.27 ± 2.08	
DINO-Pretrain (CC3M)	70.17 ± 1.60	76.41 ± 1.00	80.64 ± 0.76	82.96 ± 0.31	
DINO-Pretrain (HAM10K)	69.66 ± 2.52	73.54 ± 1.86	79.56 ± 0.81	81.50 ± 1.46	
DINOv2 (CC3M transfer)	Task-Agn (Patch)	71.76 ± 2.28	75.68 ± 1.83	80.34 ± 0.74	80.95 ± 1.16
	Task-Agn (Image)	71.32 ± 1.94	77.67 ± 1.48	80.58 ± 0.53	82.78 ± 1.01
	Task-Oriented	73.06 ± 0.79	78.44 ± 0.41	81.88 ± 0.64	83.16 ± 0.83
DINOv2 (HAM10K transfer)	Task-Agn (Patch)	75.29 ± 1.22	78.77 ± 1.55	83.96 ± 0.10	85.19 ± 0.40
	Task-Agn (Image)	72.18 ± 2.57	76.85 ± 0.74	81.68 ± 0.85	83.64 ± 0.59
	Task-Oriented	78.04 ± 0.05	82.30 ± 0.14	86.33 ± 0.16	86.20 ± 0.32
OpenCLIP (CC3M transfer)	Task-Agn	70.77 ± 1.00	78.40 ± 0.77	81.26 ± 0.37	81.55 ± 1.31
	Task-Oriented	72.53 ± 0.63	79.12 ± 1.27	82.56 ± 0.4	84.46 ± 0.65
OpenCLIP (HAM10K transfer)	Task-Agn	73.81 ± 0.44	78.40 ± 0.27	81.81 ± 0.82	84.24 ± 1.53
	Task-Oriented	75.04 ± 0.06	81.15 ± 0.01	84.70 ± 0.08	87.39 ± 0.08

Table 9. HAM10K classification accuracy for FastViT target model.

