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End-to-end Autonomy

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Outline

- **端到端自动驾驶概述**

- 模块化设计 vs 端到端背景
- 工业界应用
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- 端到端应用场景

- **主流工作选讲**

- 第一组：WoR / NEAT / UniAD / DriveAdapter 等
- 第二组：GenAD / ViDAR / ELM / DriveLM 等
- 第三组：GAIA-1 / EgoStatus / Panacea

- **当前挑战**

- 泛化能力、多模态等挑战（8种）

- **未来工作**

- 与大模型、世界模型等内容结合



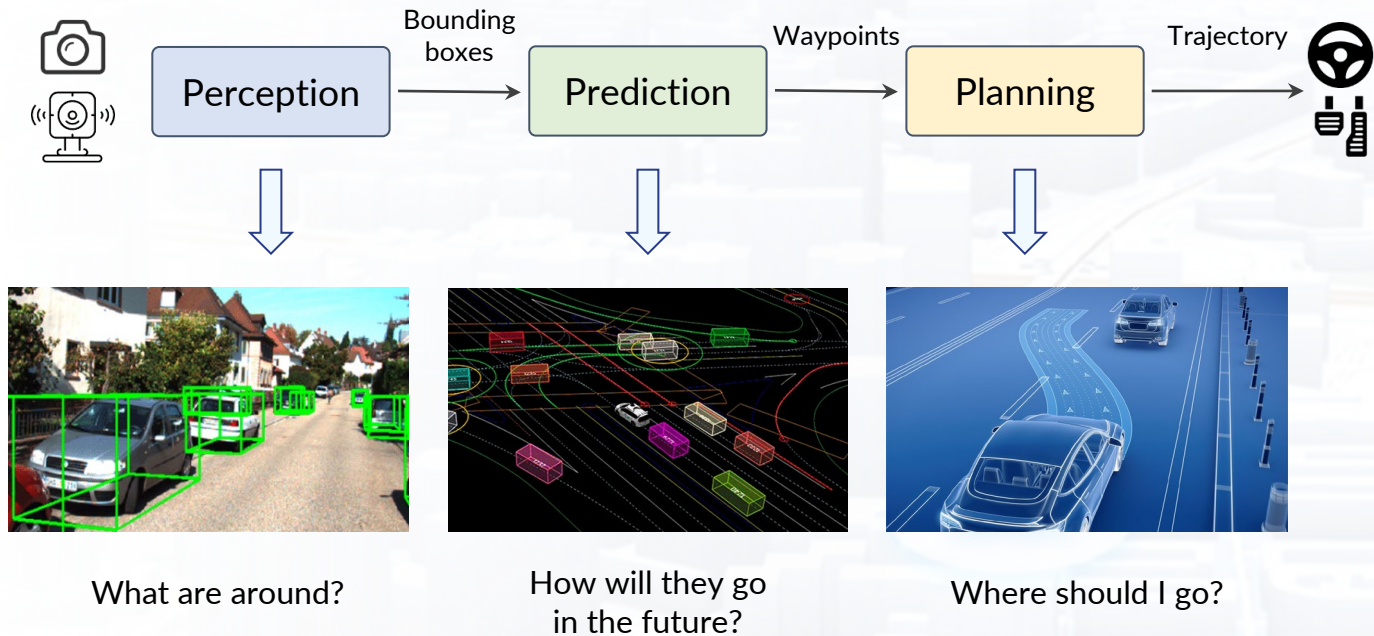
End-to-end Autonomous Driving

An Introduction

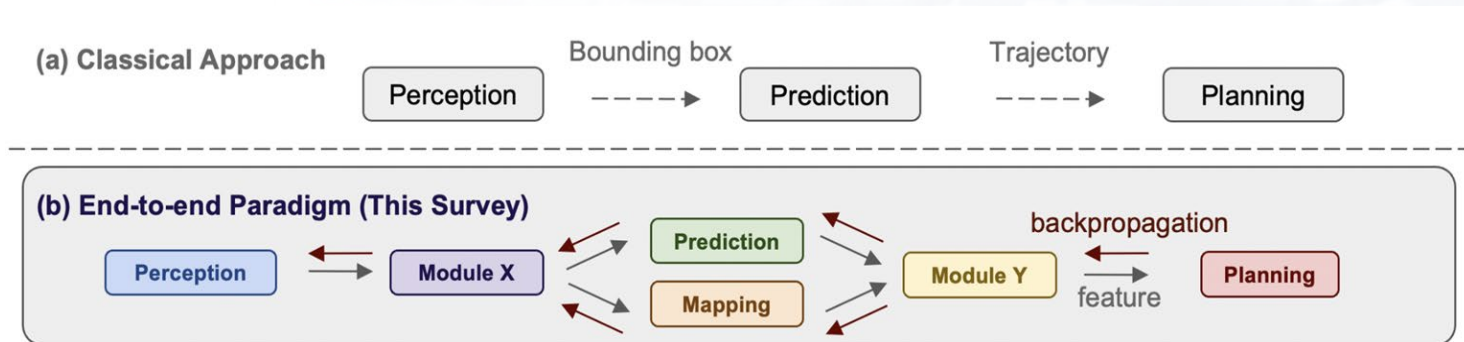
Autonomous Driving (AD) Tasks



Challenge | Various weathers, illuminations, and scenarios



回顾: Why end to end?



<https://github.com/OpenDriveLab/End-to-end-Autonomous-Driving>

端到端自动驾驶系统:

- 将原始传感器数据作为输入
- 输出轨迹规划, 或低级别的控制信号

回顾: Why end to end?

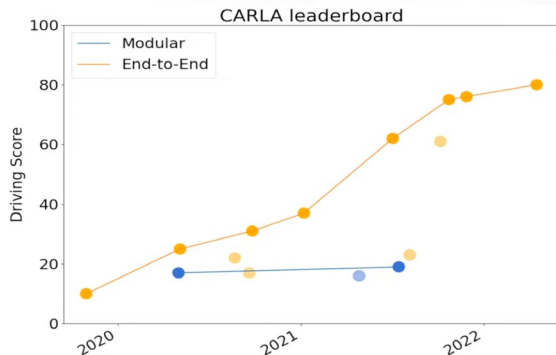
优势

- + 将所有模块合并为一个可**联合训练**的单一模型带来的**便利性**
- + 避免模块化设计带来的级联错误
- + 直接**针对最终任务进行优化** (规划/轨迹预测)
- + 计算效率高 (共享 backbone), 对最终产品友好

回顾: Why end to end?

劣势

- 只能在模拟器和机载测试中进行闭环评测(Closed-loop evaluation)
- 缺少真实世界数据
- 可解释性差

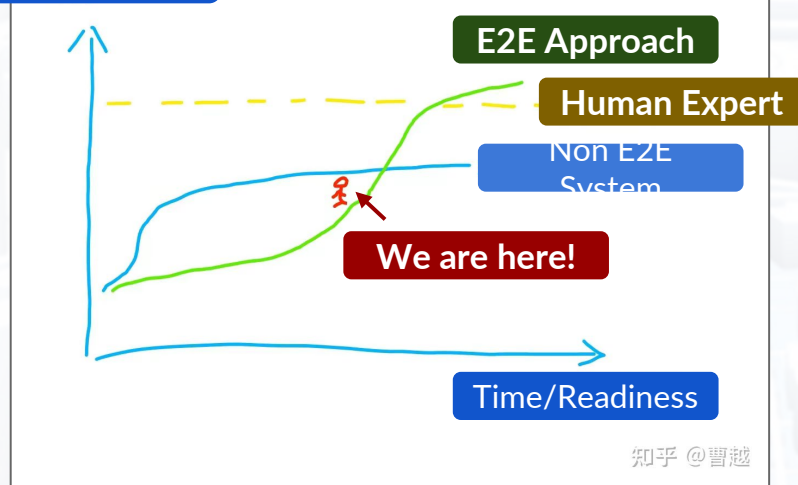


Credit to Andreas Geiger @ CVPR Workshop 2023

E2E vs Non-E2E

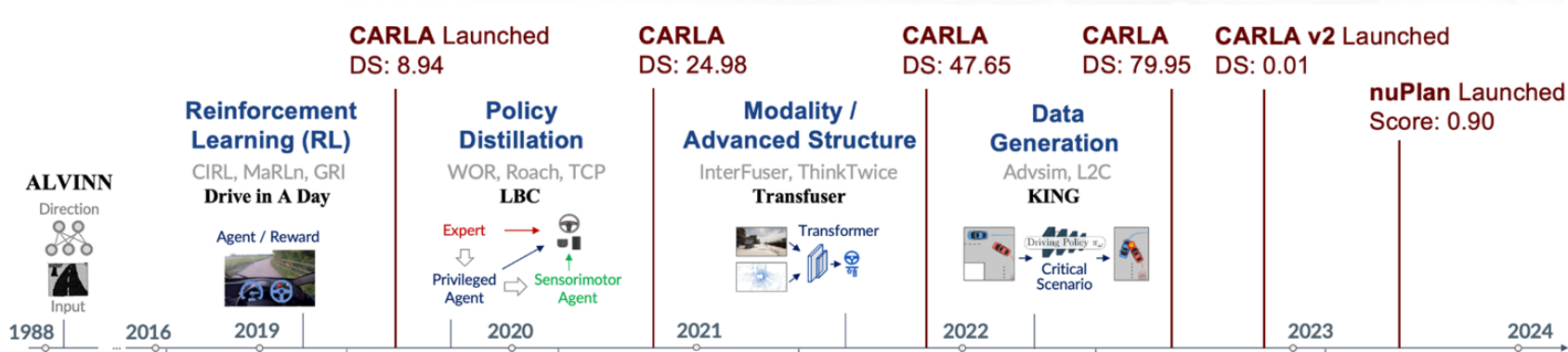


Performance



Credit to Dr. Yue Cao @ Zhihu

Roadmap | End-to-end Autonomous Driving



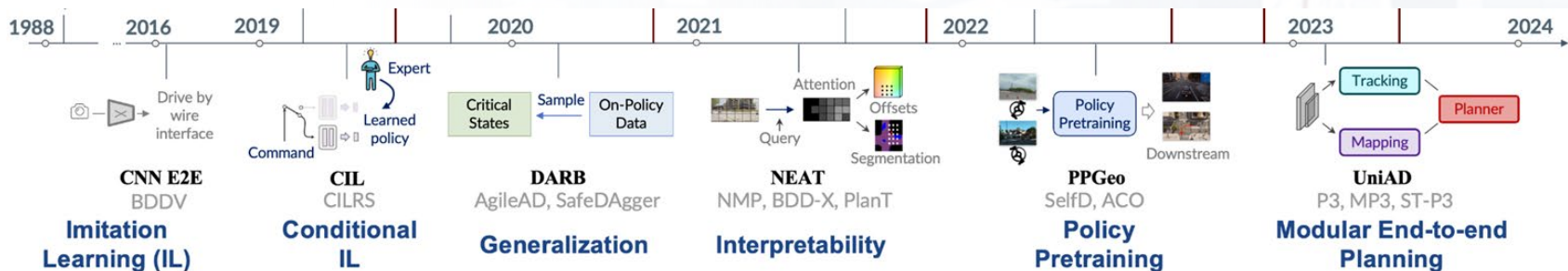
Summary (1/2)

- Carla leaderboard gets much improved over the years. With new mapping / routes (Carla v2) and nuPlan benchmark, this field got so much to do.
- RL method is prevalent in the beginning (since it's natural)
- Input modality and more advanced structure boosts the performance

Roadmap | End-to-end Autonomous Driving

Summary (2/2)

- The First Neural Net based method dates back to 2016 using Imitation Learning
- Learned policy from Experts (IL), with data augmentation, could prevail in performance
- Interpretability, with explicit design in the network stands out recently
- End-to-end design comes to obsess many merits in previous attempt



Trending | End-to-end Autonomous Driving



E2E Vehicle



...
v12 is reserved for when FSD is
end-to-end AI, from images in to
steering, brakes & acceleration
out.



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This end to end neural network approach will result in the safest, the most competent, the most comfortable, the most efficient, and overall, the best self-driving system ever produced. It's going to be very hard to beat it with anything else!

Elon Musk
@elonmusk · Aug 26
twitter.com/i/broadcasts/1...



Industry

E2E Robot



Tesla Optimus
@Tesla_Optimus · Sep 24
Optimus can now sort objects autonomously



Its neural network is trained fully **end-to-end**: video in, controls out.

No hard-code.

Completely learning on its own.

End-to-end, video to neural network to controls.

Don't need map data at all, only coordinates!

No cellular connection needed.

My Opinion

- Probably e2e as a backup module
- Massive high-quality data prevail
- Mapless is promising and feasible

Trending | End-to-end Autonomous Driving

And many others ...



Driving Input, 10^8 dimensions



Cameras (6 @ 25 Hz)



GNSS

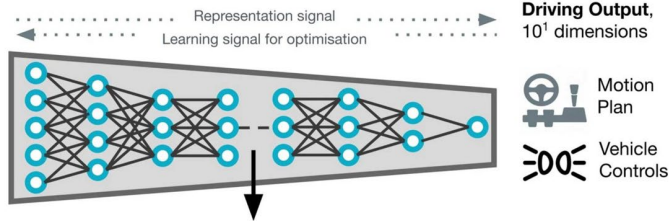


Basic Sat-nav Map



Vehicle State

+ other sensing modalities where required, e.g. RADAR



Driving Output, 10^1 dimensions

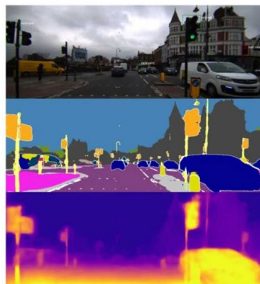


Motion Plan

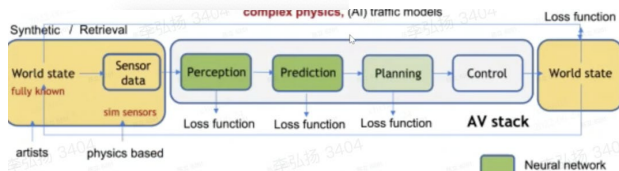


Vehicle Controls

Decoded human-interpretable intermediate representations



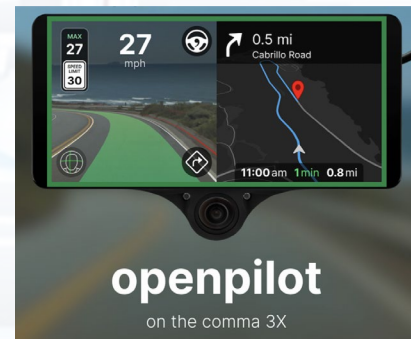
Semantics, geometry, motion prediction.



Industry



- Openpilot is an open source driver assistance system.
- Openpilot performs the functions of Automated Lane Centering (ALC) and Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC) for 250+ supported car makes and



<https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.08176>

附件4 内容



Public Opinions on Our Survey

- Paper
<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2306.16927.pdf>
- Repo (paper collection)
<https://github.com/OpenDriveLab/End-to-end-Autonomous-Driving>


**Alex Kendall** ✓
@alexgkendall

This is a fantastic, comprehensive and forward-looking survey of academic literature about end-to-end machine learning for autonomous driving. It is a very timely publication as the field is exploding with interest right now.


I'm aligned with the paper's conclusions on open algorithmic challenges. There's loads of insight around opportunities like world modelling, language, foundation models and long-tail robustness. This paper also exposes that academic literature under-appreciates significant industry challenges right now, such as (1) safety, reward modelling and policy alignment against human expectations and risk, or (2) the significance of establishing a synthetic/real-world data engine for training/validation, which are critical to the success of any machine learning system. I'd love to see more work in these areas.

Great to see @AutoVisionGroup @francislee2020, well done!

**Awesome Vision Group** @AutoVisionGroup · Sep 18

**Yann LeCun** ✓
@ylecun

A nice survey of end-to-end learning methods for autonomous driving.

**Awesome Vision Group** @AutoVisionGroup · Sep 18

Why are Tesla @elonmusk and Wayve @alexgkendall @JamieShotton moving towards end-to-end autonomous driving? What is the state-of-the-art in this field? With our friends @francislee2020 we recently wrote an extensive survey paper on this emerging topic: arxiv.org/abs/2306.16927

202339B 端到端自动驾驶

Original: 吴双 吴言吴语 2023-10-02 05:42

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#自动驾驶 20个 >

这周我们读一篇提交到PAMI的端到端自动驾驶的综述论文:
SUBMITTED TO IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON PATTERN ANALYSIS AND MACHINE INTELLIGENCE, JUNE 2023

End-to-end Autonomous Driving: Challenges and Frontiers

Li Chen, Penghao Wu, Kashyap Chitta, Bernhard Jaeger, Andreas Geiger and Hongyang Li

Arxiv链接: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.16927>

可以看到这篇文章在六月份, 好像是CVPR会议期间就挂到了arxiv上, 当时眼前一亮随手放在了桌面, 结果回头就忘了, 最近SS兄提醒, 就给自己安排了周末作业。由于论文覆盖的内容很多, 今天就只聊我个人看到的值得注意或者觉得需要强调的点。

总结: 很好的综述, 值得看看。

Join Slack Discussions!

https://join.slack.com/t/opendriveab/shared_invite/zt-244lgu87b-eLonLQzle4wRkg8W8WOUlg

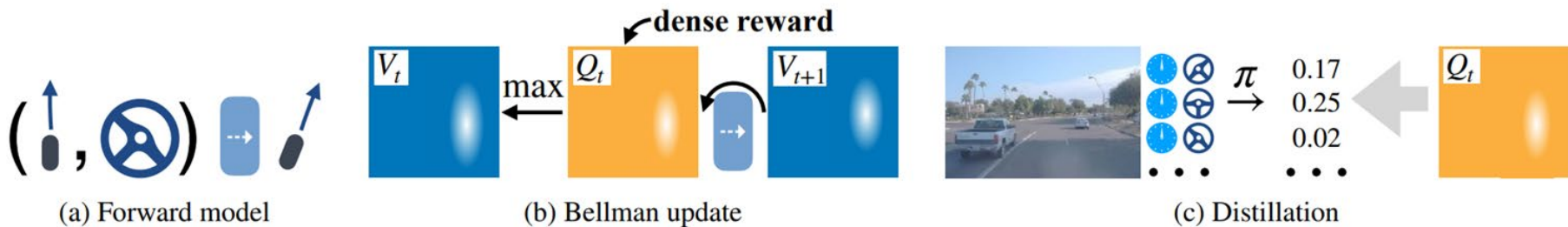


主流工作选讲 - Part 1

ST-P3 / PPGeo / NEAT / WoR

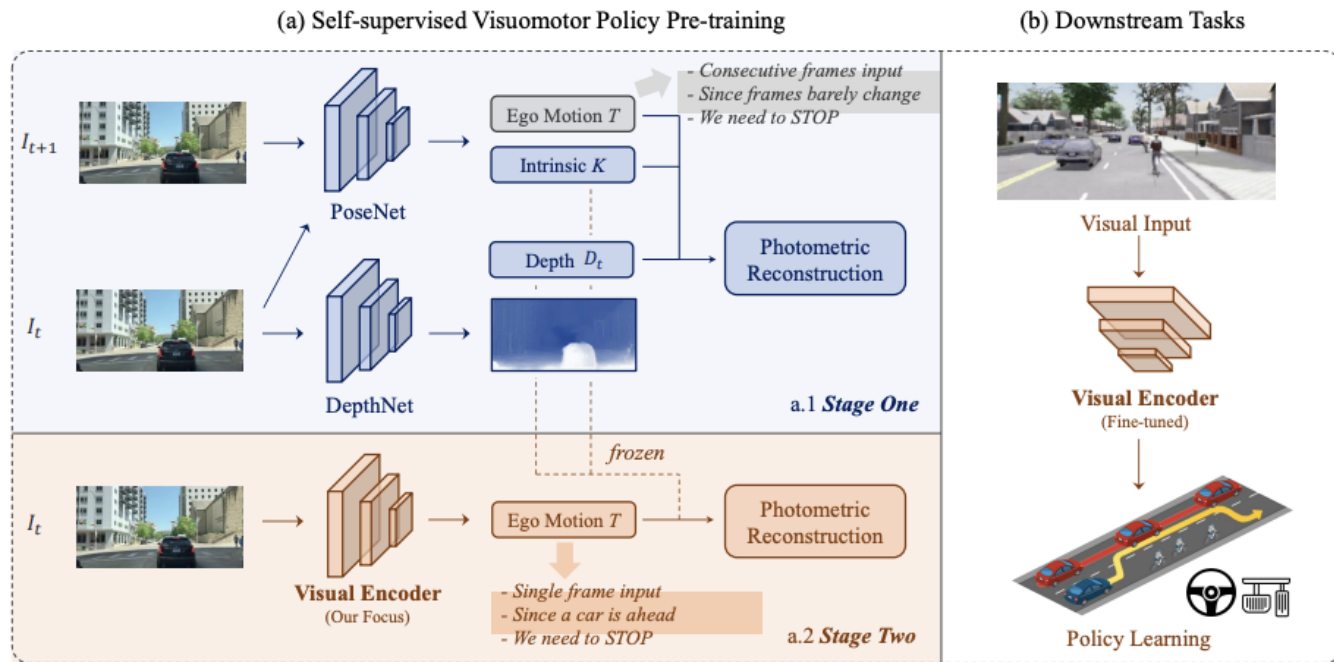
主流方法: World on Rails

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.00636>



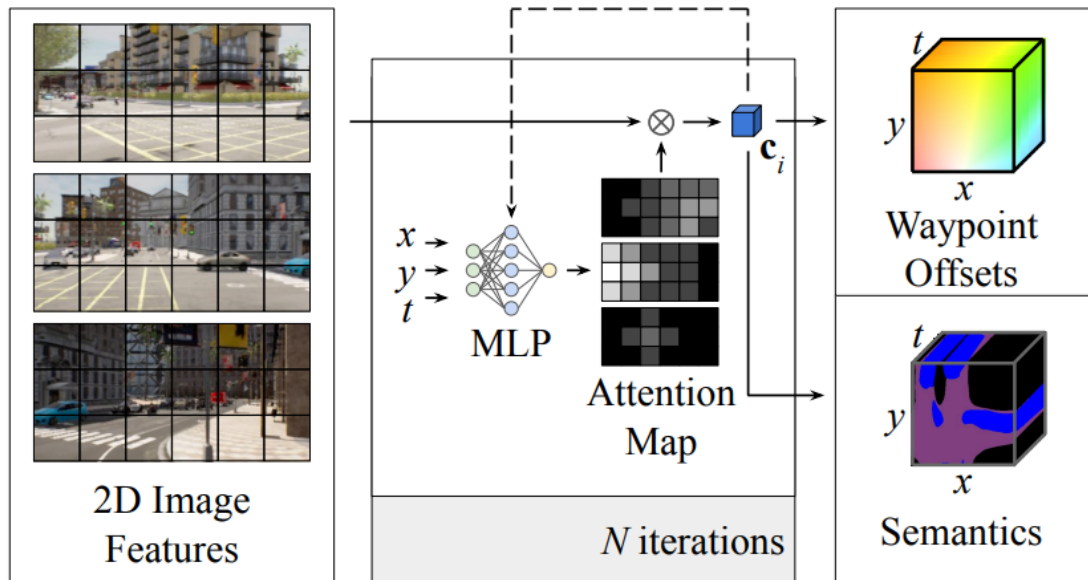
主流方法: PPGeo

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2301.01006.pdf>



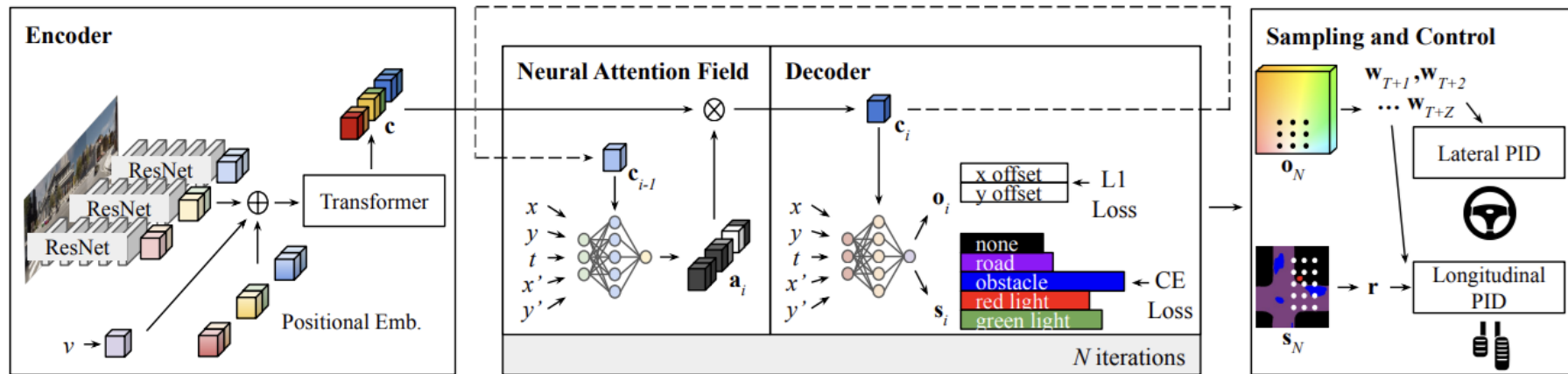
主流方法: NEAT

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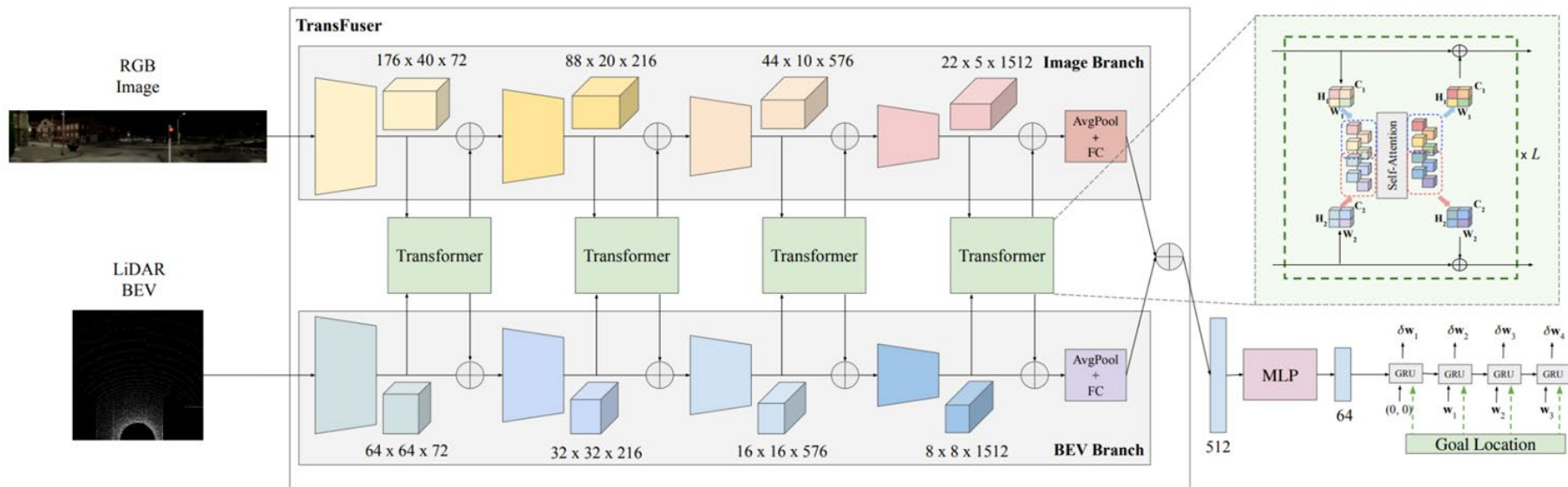
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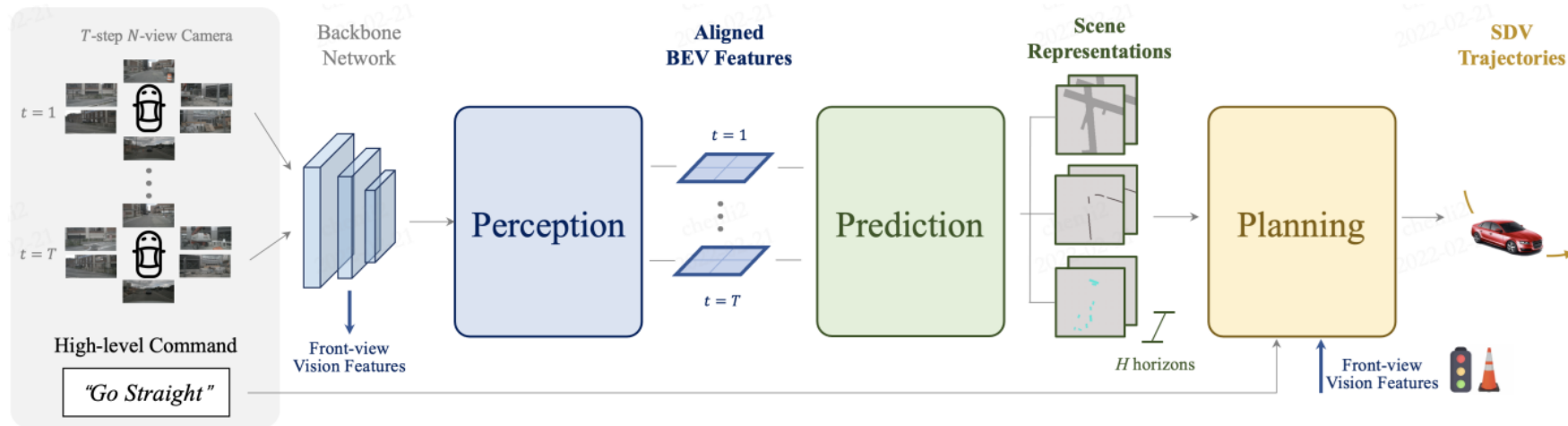
主流方法: TransFuser

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.15997>



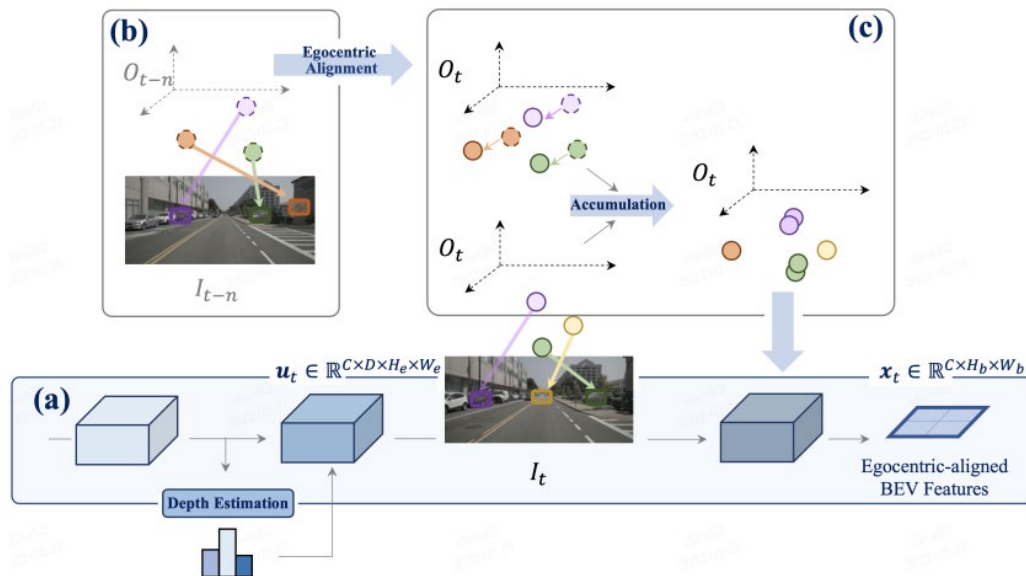
主流方法：ST-P3

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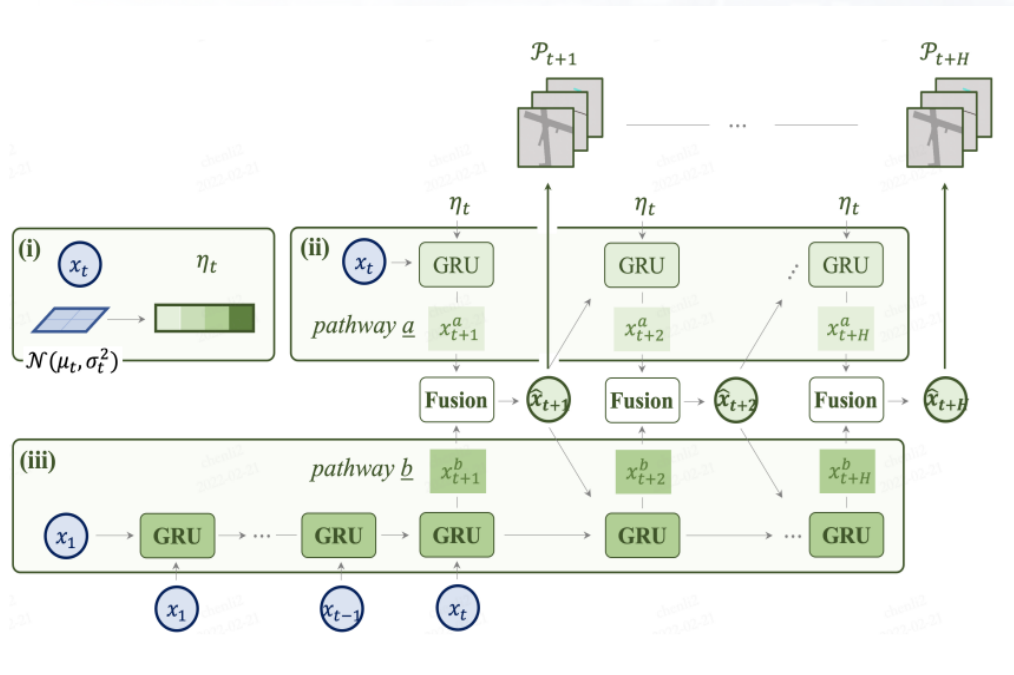
主流方法: ST-P3

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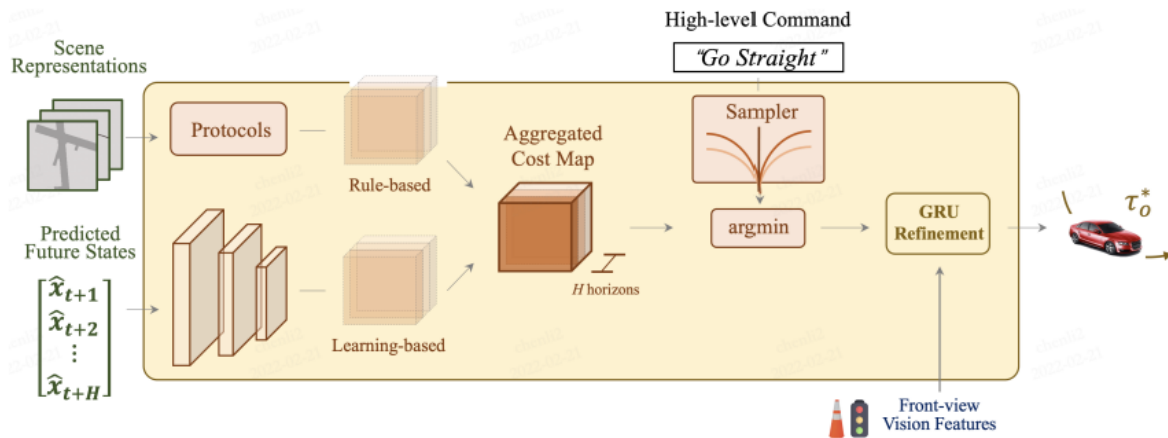
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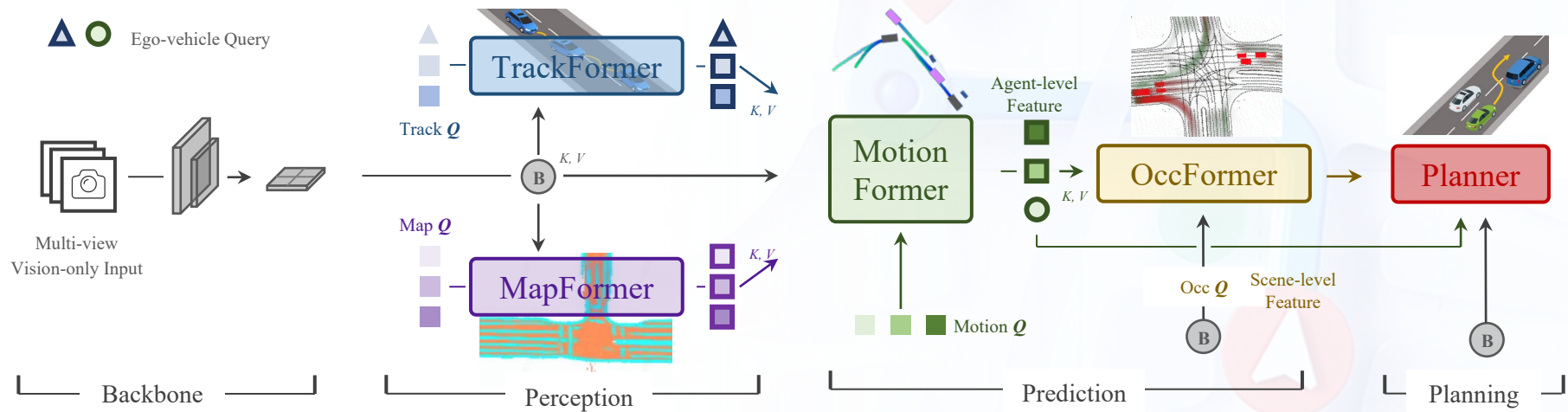


Best Paper Award

Planning-oriented Autonomous Driving



UniAD - Pipeline



- Entire pipeline connected by queries
- Tasks coordinated with queries
- Interactions modeled by attention

Unified Query

Transformer-based





First time to unify
full-stack AD tasks!

UniAD - Ablation Results

Tasks benefit  each other and contribute to safe planning

ID	Modules					Tracking			Mapping		Motion Forecasting			Occupancy Prediction				Planning	
	Track	Map	Motion	Occ.	Plan	AMOTA↑	AMOTP↓	IDS↓	IoU-lane↑	IoU-road↑	minADE↓	minFDE↓	MR↓	IoU-n.↑	IoU-f.↑	VPQ-n.↑	VPQ-f.↑	avg.L2↓	avg.Col.↓
0*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	0.356	1.328	893	0.302	0.675	0.858	1.270	0.186	55.9	34.6	47.8	26.4	1.154	0.941
1	✓					0.348	1.333	791	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2		✓				-	-	-	0.305	<u>0.674</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	✓	✓				0.355	1.336	<u>785</u>	0.301	0.671	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4			✓			-	-	-	-	-	0.815	1.224	0.182	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	✓		✓			<u>0.360</u>	1.350	919	-	-	0.751	1.109	0.162	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	✓	✓	✓			0.354	1.339	820	0.303	0.672	0.736(-9.7%)	1.066(-12.9%)	0.158	-	-	-	-	-	-
7				✓		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60.5	37.0	52.4	29.8	-	-
8	✓			✓		<u>0.360</u>	1.322	809	-	-	-	-	-	<u>62.1</u>	38.4	52.2	32.1	-	-
9	✓	✓	✓	✓		0.359	1.359	1057	<u>0.304</u>	0.675	0.710(-3.5%)	1.005(-5.8%)	0.146	62.3	<u>39.4</u>	53.1	<u>32.2</u>	-	-
10					✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.131	0.773
11	✓	✓	✓		✓	0.366	1.337	889	0.303	0.672	0.741	1.077	0.157	-	-	-	-	<u>1.014</u>	<u>0.717</u>
12	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	0.358	<u>1.334</u>	641	0.302	0.672	<u>0.728</u>	<u>1.054</u>	<u>0.154</u>	62.3	39.5	<u>52.8</u>	32.3	1.004	0.430

Conclusion:

- ID. 4-6: Track & Map → Motion 
- ID. 7-9: Motion  ↔ Occupancy 
- ID. 10-12: Motion & Occupancy → Planning 

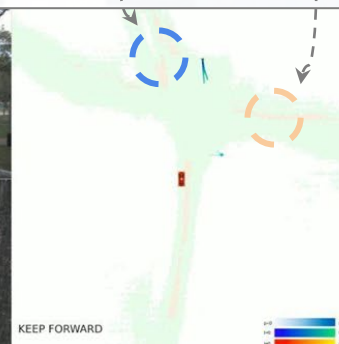
UniAD - Recover from Upstream Errors

Planner could still attend to 'undetected'

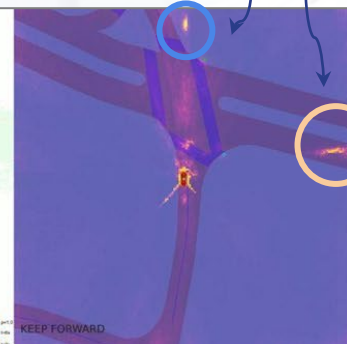
Objects in
Distance



Undetected
by TrackFormer

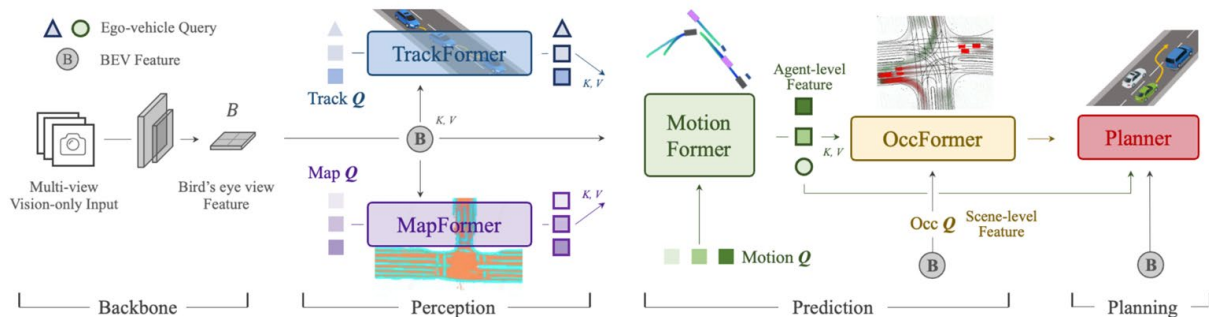


Still Attended
by Planner



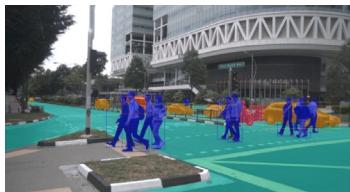
UniAD: One-page Summary

- **Planning-oriented Philosophy:** An end-to-end autonomous driving (AD) framework in pursuit of safe planning, equipped with a wide span of AD tasks.
- **Unified Query** design: *Queries* as interfaces to connect and coordinate all tasks.
- **State-of-the-art (SOTA) Performance** with vision-only input.
- **First Step towards Autonomous Driving Foundation Models**



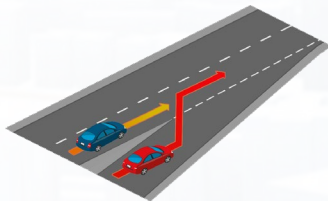
What's next

Tasks, Training Strategies, etc



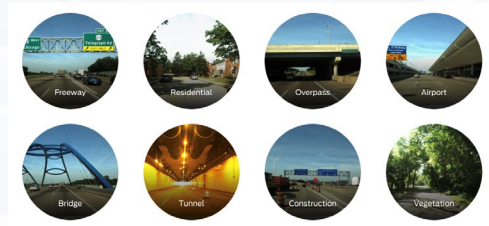
**Perception /
Visual Abstraction**

Closed-loop Evaluation



E2E Challenges

Scale-up?



DriveData / DriveAGI

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From UniAD to DriveAGI

ICCV23
PARIS

Oral

DriveAdapter

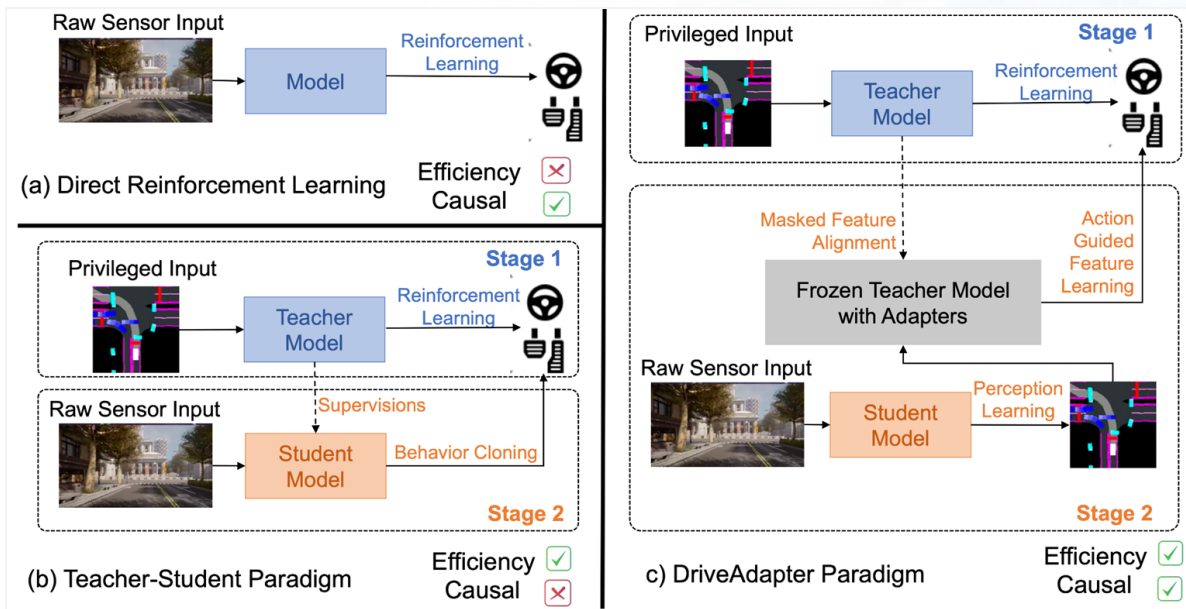
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Github: <https://github.com/OpenDriveLab/DriveAdapter>



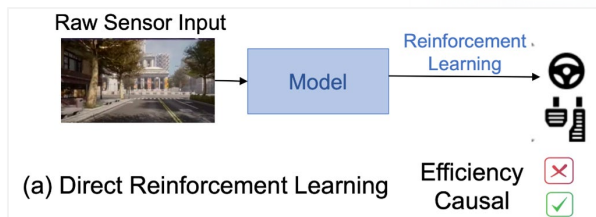
DriveAdapter - Motivation

How to balance the efficiency and causal reasoning ability?



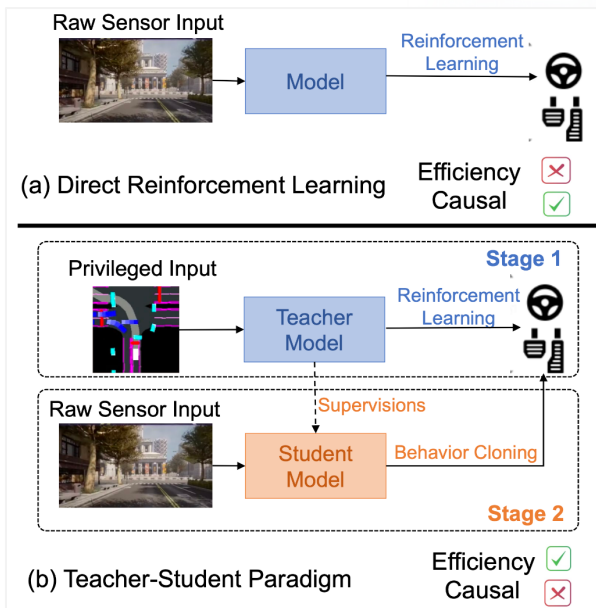
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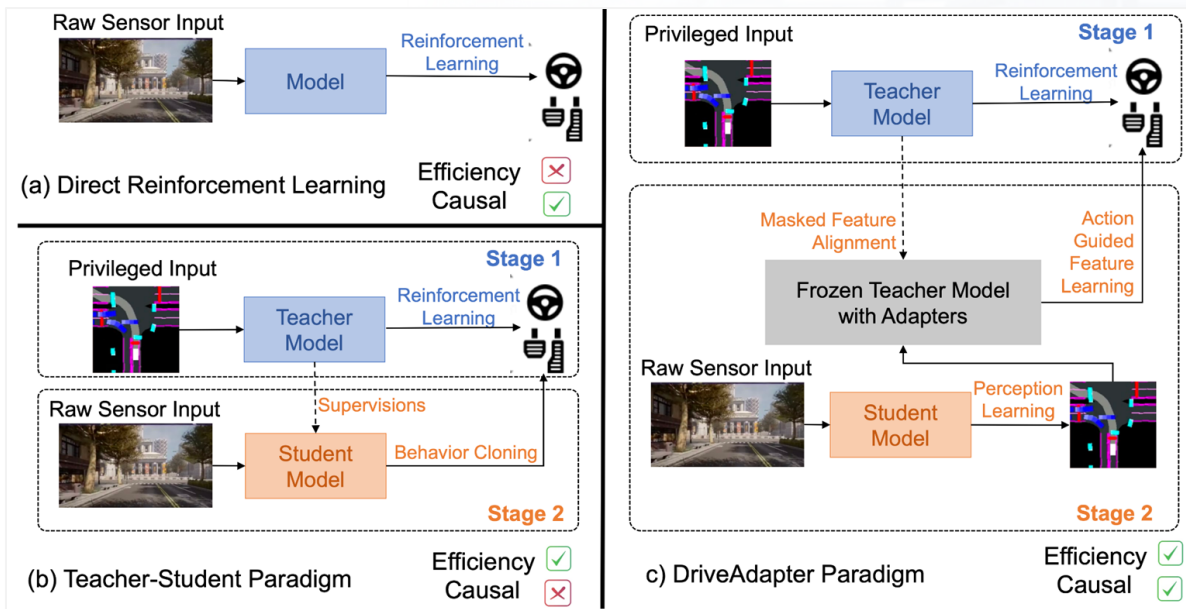
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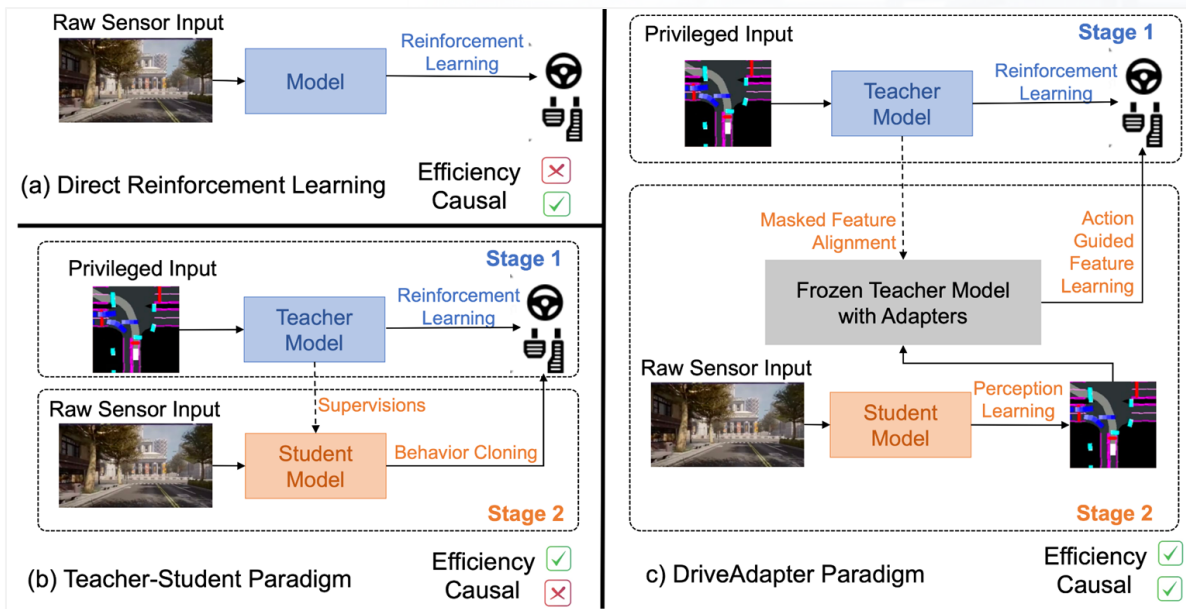
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Utilize the strong RL-based privileged teacher model!

- Train a Teacher Model for Planning by RL
- End-to-End Connected by Adapter
- Train a Student Model for Perception

DriveAdapter - Challenge

Challenge 1: Student Model is not perfect



Privileged Input



Perception Result

*BEVFusion + Mask2Former
2M training data*

Method	Input	Driving Score ↑
Transfuser [39, 8]	Camera + LiDAR	31.0
LAV [3]	Camera + LiDAR	46.5
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Roach [55]	Privileged Info.	74.2
Roach + Rule [50]	Privileged Info.	87.0

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DriveAdapter - Challenge

Challenge 1: Student Model is not perfect



Privileged Input



Perception Result

BEVFusion + Mask2Former
2M training data

Challenge 2: Teacher Model is not perfect

Example: Emergency brake if there is any obstacle in the front -
require privileged information

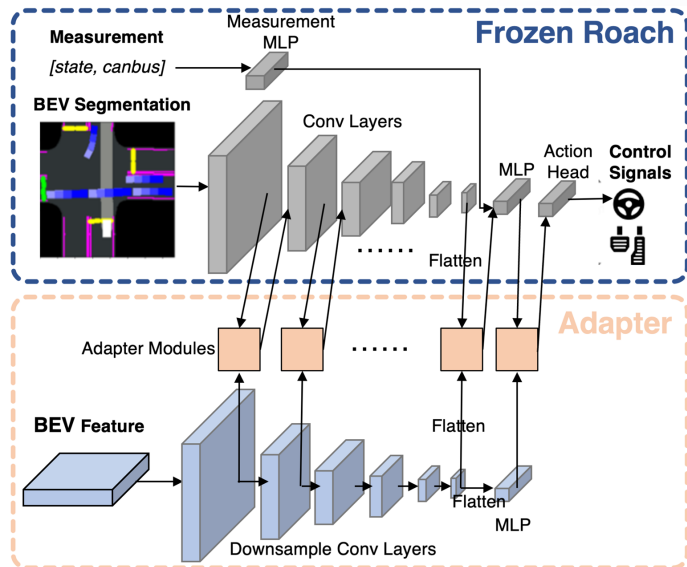
```
## Rules for emergency brake
should_brake = self.collision_detect()
only_ap_brake = True if (control.brake <= 0 and should_brake) else False
if should_brake:
    control.steer = control.steer * 0.5
    control.throttle = 0.0
    control.brake = 1.0
```

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- Teacher Model would be the **upper bound** of Student Model's performance

DriveAdapter - Method

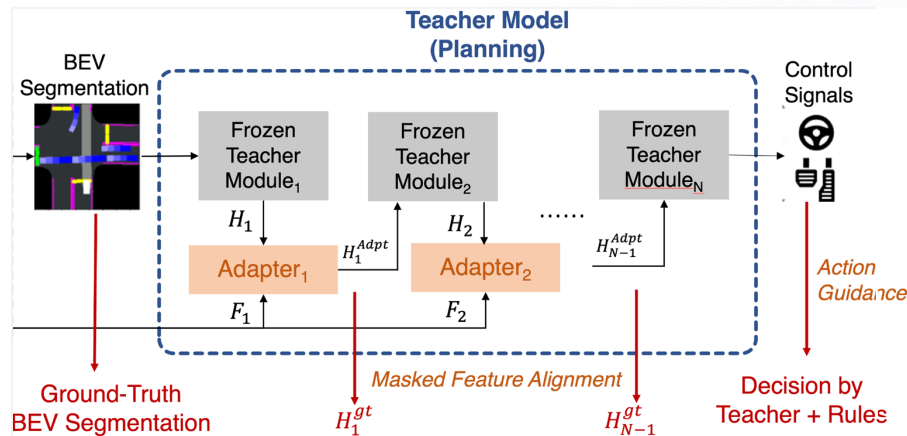
Idea 1: Deal with the distribution shift of between perception GT and prediction



- Reduce the error in an end-to-end layer-by-layer manner:
 - Roach (teacher model) = 6 Convs -> flatten -> 4 linears
 - Adapter module after each layer
 - Adapter Input: $\mathbf{H}_{i-1}^{\text{Adpt}} = \text{Adapter}_{i-1}([\mathbf{H}_{i-1}; \mathbf{F}_{i-1}])$
 - Adapter Output: $\mathbf{H}_i = \text{Teacher}_i(\mathbf{H}_{i-1}^{\text{Adpt}})$
 - Adapter Target/Label: GT feature map of teacher

DriveAdapter - Method

Idea 2: Inject the driving knowledge within rules into the model



- **Store the knowledge in the Adapter module:**
 - Target: let the frozen teacher action head output corrected action
 - Mask feature alignment loss for failure cases - not to learn the undesired feature map
 - Directly apply action loss for failure cases - guide the middle feature maps by backpropagation

DriveAdapter - Experiments

🚀 SOTA driving performance on CARLA closed-loop benchmark



Method	Teacher	Student	Reference	DS↑	RC↑	IS↑
CILRS [11]	Rule-Based	Behavior Cloning	CVPR 19	7.8	10.3	0.75
LBC [4]	Imitation Learning	Behavior Cloning + DAgger	CoRL 20	12.3	31.9	0.66
Transfuser [39, 8]	Rule-based	Behavior Cloning	TPAMI 22	31.0	47.5	0.77
Roach [55]	Reinforcement Learning	Behavior Cloning + DAgger	ICCV 21	41.6	96.4	0.43
LAV [3]	Imitation Learning	Behavior Cloning	CVPR 22	46.5	69.8	0.73
TCP [50]	Reinforcement Learning	Behavior Cloning	NeurIPS 22	57.2	80.4	0.73
ThinkTwice [26]	Reinforcement Learning	Behavior Cloning	CVPR 23	65.0	95.5	0.69
DriveAdapter	Reinforcement Learning	Frozen Teacher + Adapter	Ours	61.7	92.3	0.69
DriveAdapter + TCP	Reinforcement Learning	Frozen Teacher + Adapter	Ours	65.9	94.4	0.72
MILE*† [18]	Reinforcement Learning	Model-Based Imitation Learning	NeurIPS 22	61.1	97.4	0.63
Interfuser* [43]	Rule-Based	Behavior Cloning + Rule	CoRL 22	68.3	95.0	-
ThinkTwice* [26]	Reinforcement Learning	Behavior Cloning	CVPR 23	70.9	95.5	0.75
DriveAdapter + TCP*	Reinforcement Learning	Frozen Teacher + Adapter	Ours	71.9	97.3	0.74

DriveAdapter - Take-away

- **Breaking the coupling barrier of Perception and Planning:**
 - Driving knowledge from millions of steps of exploration by RL -> *causal reasoning* (MDP; reward), *robustness* (all kinds of strange cases/scenarios during exploration)
 - *Efficient* training for the student model
- **Masked feature distillation:** Combine the knowledge of learning-based teacher and human designed rules
- **Real-world application (potential):** A teacher on large-scale real-world motion dataset , and use DriveAdapter to solve domain adaptation for deployment
- **A Further Step towards Real-world End-to-end Autonomous Driving!**



主流工作选讲 - Part 2

GenAD / ViDAR / ELM / etc

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Shanghai Artificial Intelligence Laboratory



How to scale up the autonomous driving models?

ViDAR

ViDAR - World Model

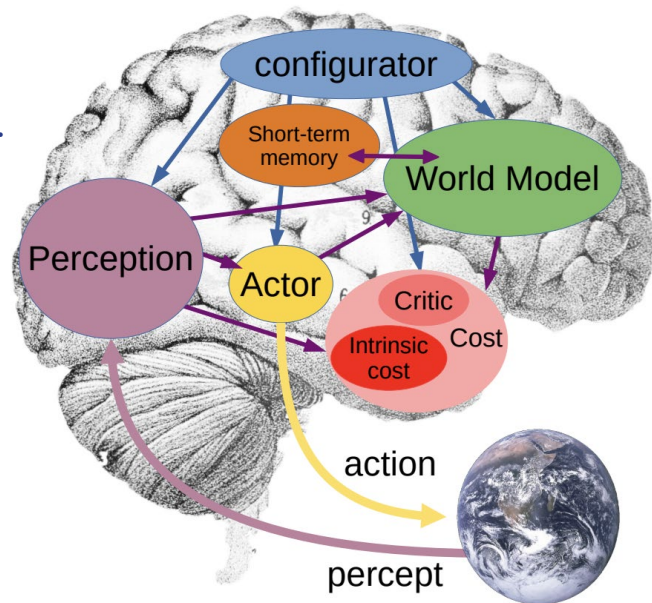
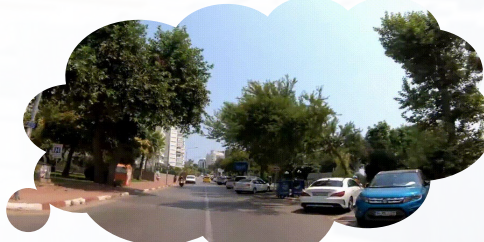


A Path Towards Autonomous Machine Intelligence Version, Yann Lecun

Task / Objective:

- Represent the world & Learn to predict and re-act
 - Simulate the world without **REAL** interaction with the world.

What happens if I go straight?



ViDAR - World Model in Driving

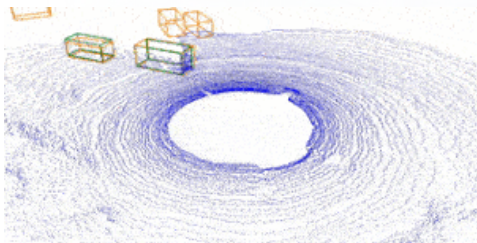
+ Action



Point Cloud

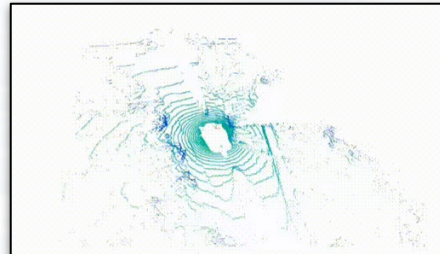
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Future Prediction Model



S2Net — Point cloud future prediction for planning

World Model



4D-Occ — Ego Future Trajectory

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Point Cloud &
Visual Image

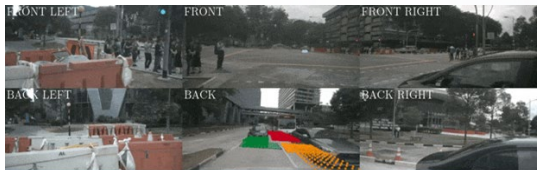
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Visual Image

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Fiery — visual future prediction for planning.

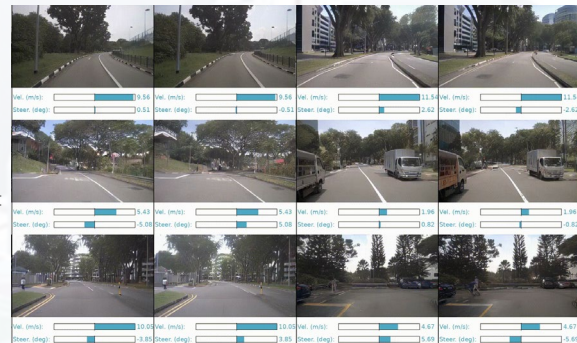


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Gaia-I — Text & Steering

DriveDreamer — Box & Image & HDMap

DrivingDiffusion — Layout



ViDAR - World Model in Driving + Action



The First Multimodal World Model

Visual Inputs

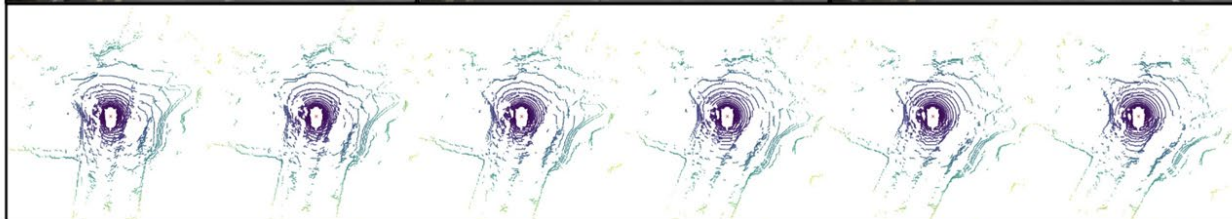
-1s, -0.5s, 0s



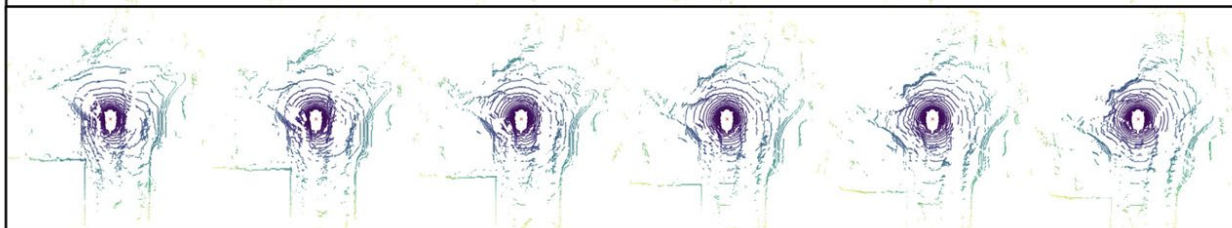
LIDAR Outputs

0.5s, 1s, 1.5s, 2s, 2.5s, 3s

Turn
Left



Go
Forward



ViDAR



Introducing ViDAR, Visual Point Cloud Forecasting for Scalable Autonomous Driving



Visual Point Cloud Forecasting enables Scalable Autonomous Driving

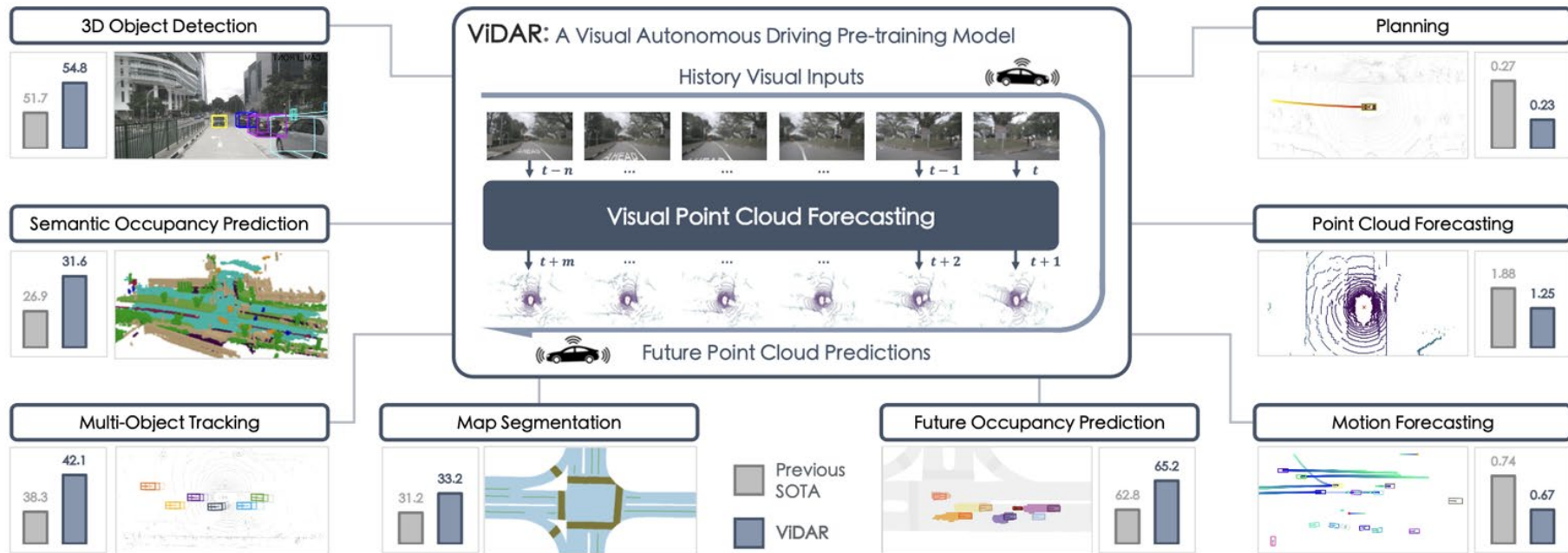
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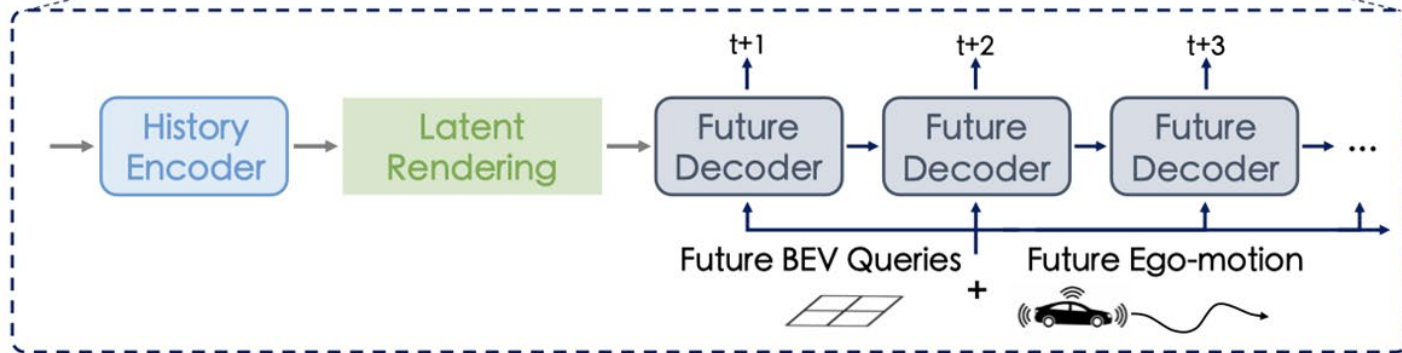
<https://github.com/OpenDriveLab/ViDAR>

ViDAR | At a Glance

Summary: Training multimodal world model by **Visual Point Cloud Forecasting** and boosting **End-to-End Autonomous Driving**.



ViDAR Pre-training

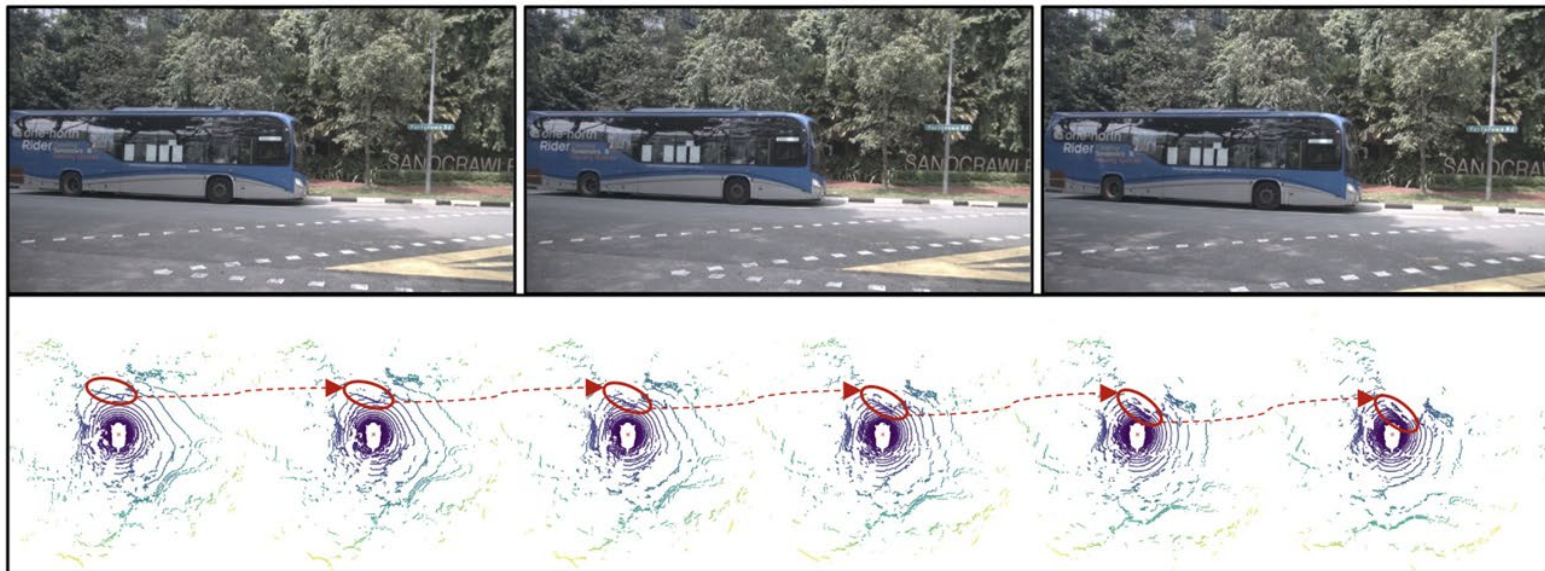


ViDAR | Future Prediction Experiments

Visual Inputs
-1s, -0.5s, 0s

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LiDAR Outputs
0.5s, 1s, 1.5s, 2s, 2.5s, 3s



ViDAR | Different Ego Control Experiments

Visual Inputs

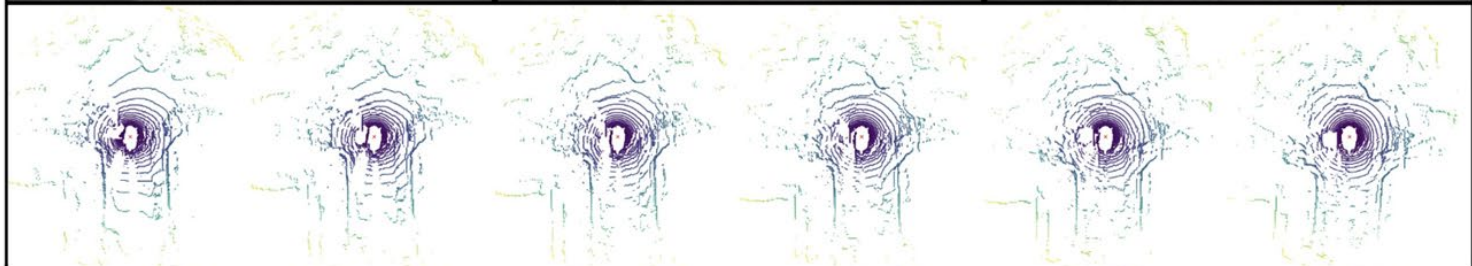
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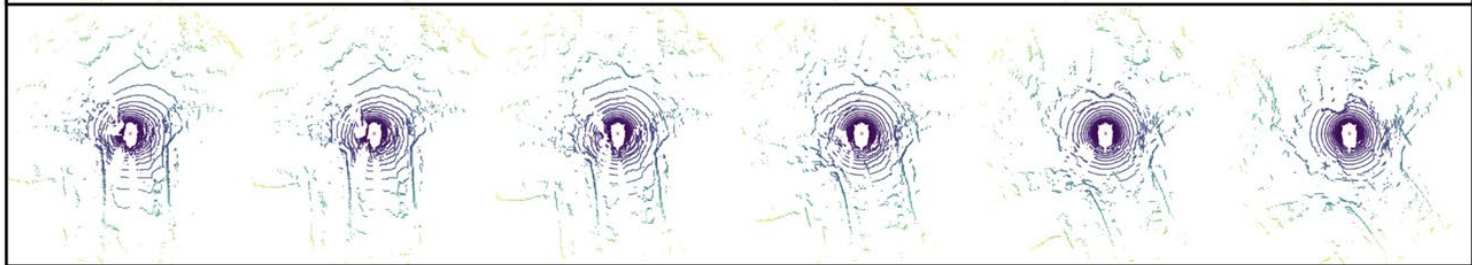
LiDAR Outputs

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Go
Forward ↑



Turn
Right ↗



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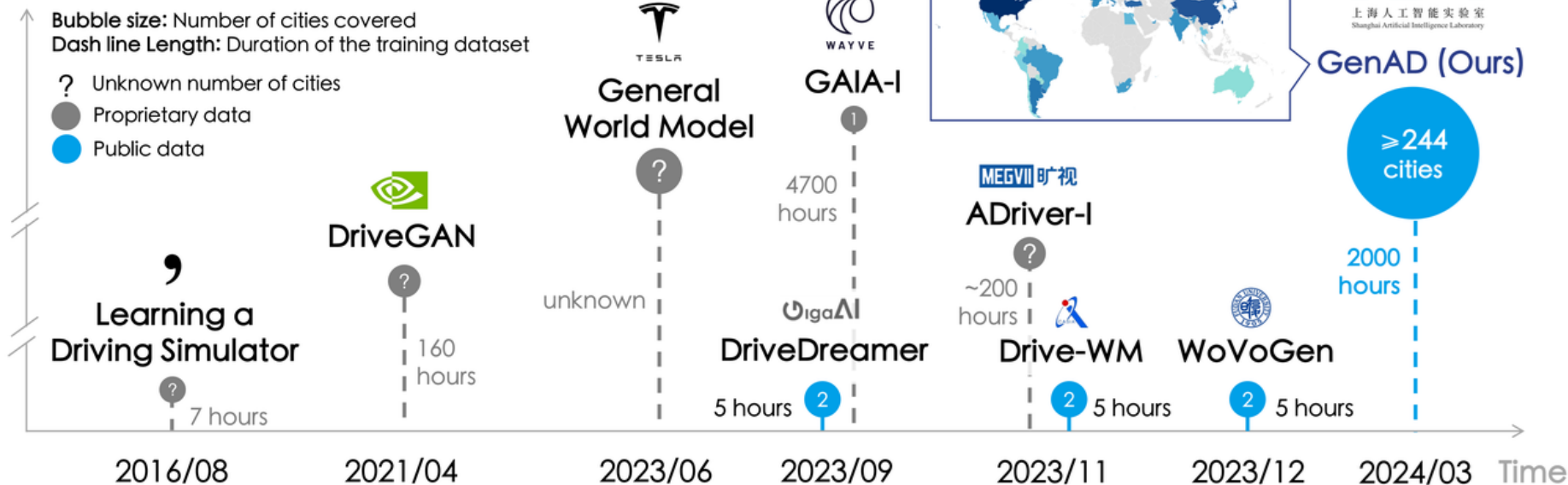
How to scale up the autonomous driving models?

GenAD: Generalized Predictive Model for Autonomous Driving

OpenDV Benchmark



Training Data (hours)

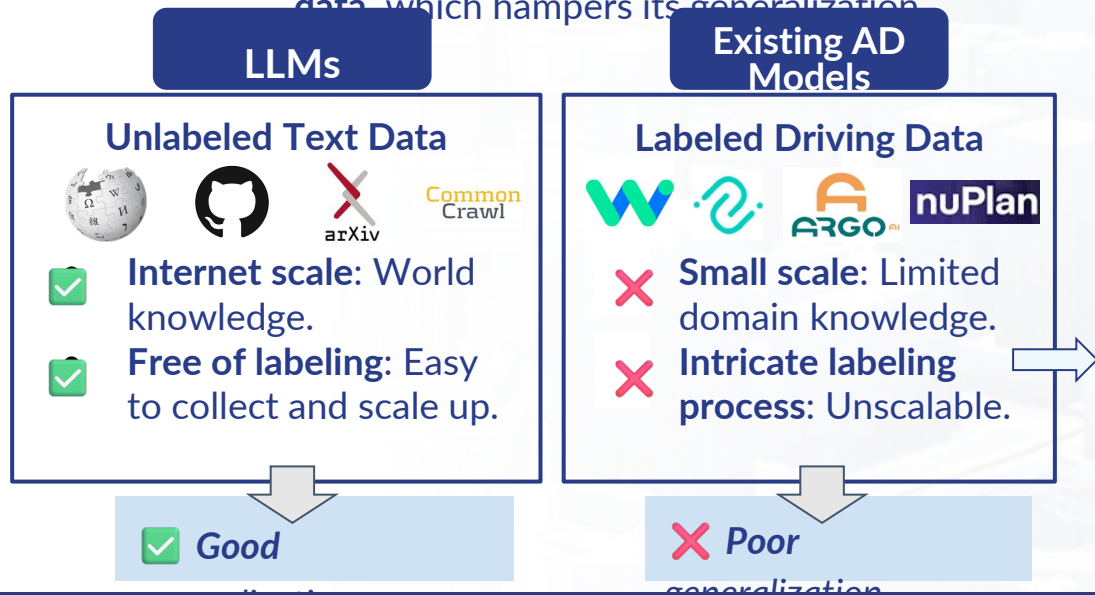


Motivation | What Makes for Generalized AD Model?



Data

- + LLMs pretrained on **trillions of unlabeled text tokens** exhibit great generalization in open-world scenarios.
- However, existing AD models are trained on **limited labeled data**, which hampers its generalization.



- Bbox, map, trajectory, etc.

Motivation | What Makes for Generalized AD Model?



Task / Objective:

- Supervised Learning

✗ Hard to scale without sufficient labeled data



No accessible labeled data

UniAD



UniAD-XL?

- Self-supervised Learning on Feature Space

- ✓ Scalable with developed VLMs for supervision. (e.g., DINOv2)
- ✓ Focused on specific objects (e.g., centered, large ones)
- ✗ Ignoring details. However, *the devil is in the details*, especially for driving



- Feature map visualization from DINOv2
- Focusing on main objects, while **ignoring fine-grained details**

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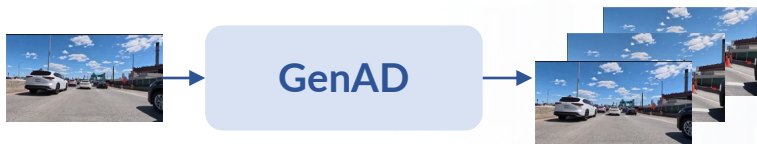


Our finding:

Data: **Massive online driving videos** +

Task / Objective: Video Prediction

→ *Scalable and generalized AD Model*



- ✓ Scalable Data (easy to collect from the web)
- ✓ “Self-supervised” Manner
 - No 3D labeling needed
 - Detail preservation
- ✓ Learning **world knowledge** and **how to drive** inherently

✓ Good



Massive YouTube videos, collected worldwide

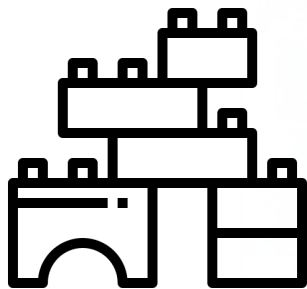
Introducing GenAD, The First Video Generative Model as World Simulator For Autonomous Driving



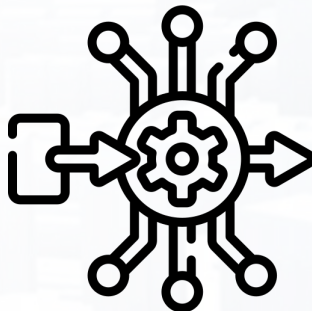
Generalized Predictive Model for Autonomous Driving

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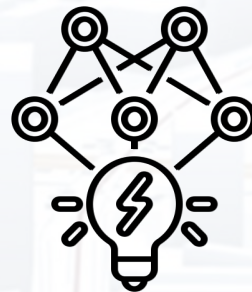
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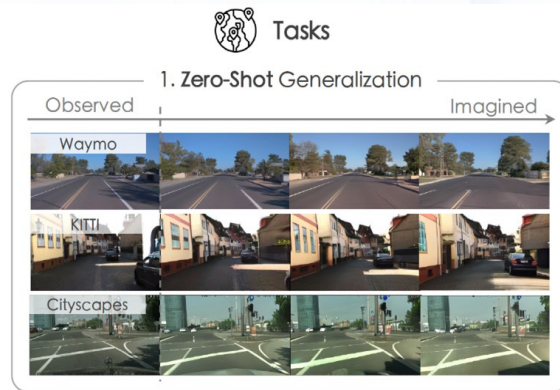
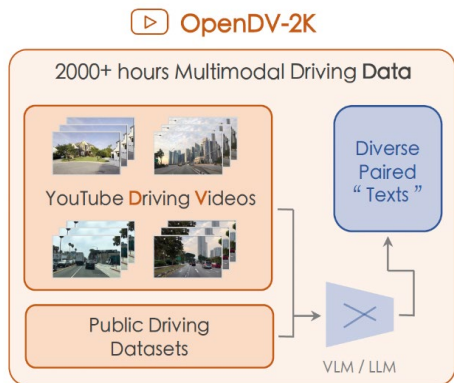
Network
Architecture



Tasks

GenAD | At a Glance

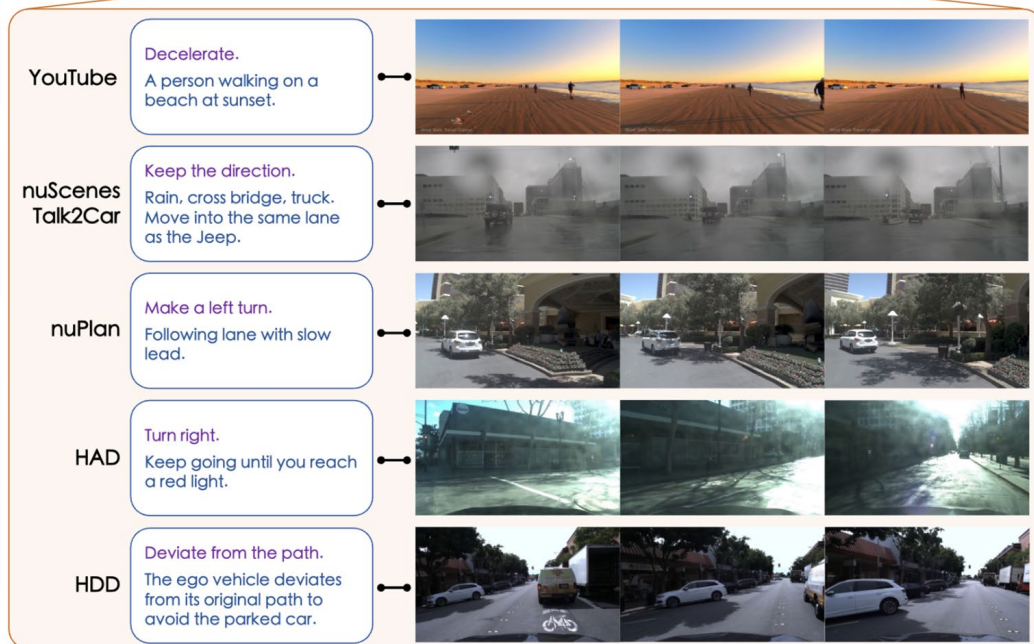
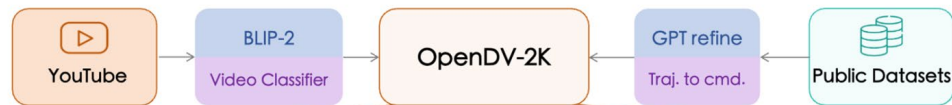
Summary: Training a **billion-scale video prediction model** on **web-scale driving videos**, to enable its **generalization across a wide spectrum of domains and tasks**.



Data | OpenDV-2K Dataset



- **Multi-modal and Multi-source Dataset**
 - Paired with textual **command** and **context** (annotated by VLMs).
 - Sourced from both **online videos** and **public datasets** for diversity.



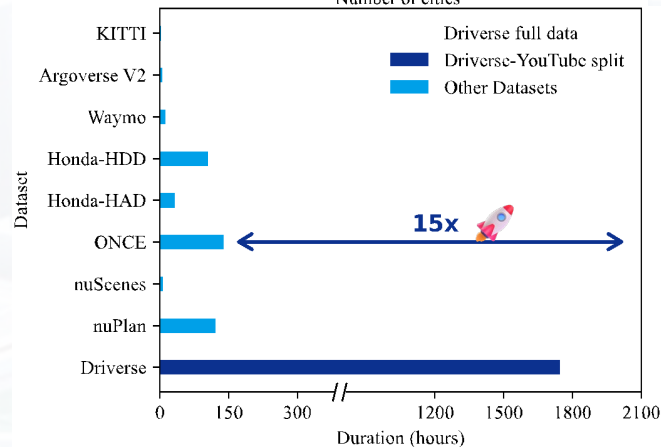
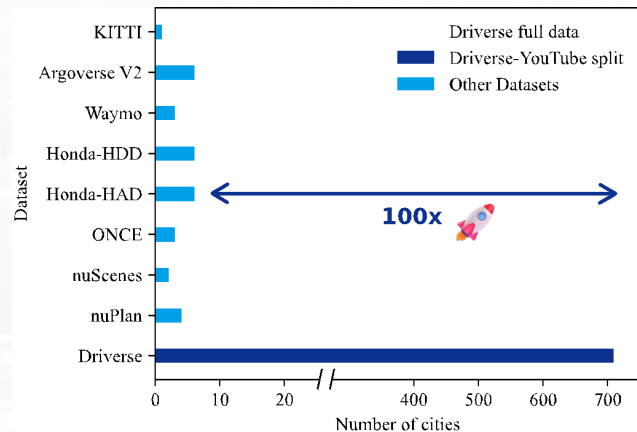
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Data | OpenDV-2K Dataset

- *Largest dataset up-to-date for autonomous driving*
- **2059 hours, 709 areas**

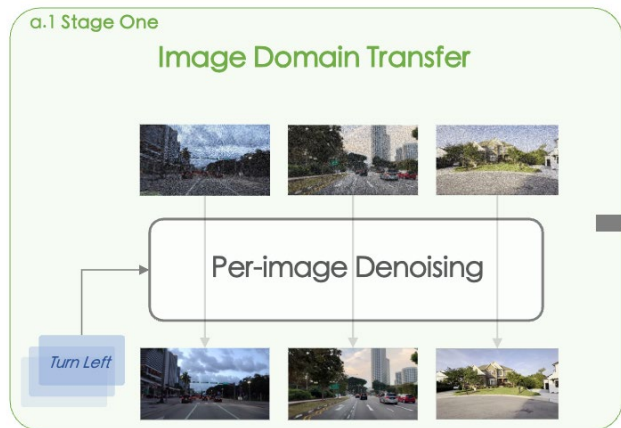
	Dataset	Duration (hours)	Front-view Frames	Geographic Diversity		Sensor Setup
				Countries	Cities	
✗	KITTI [14]	1.4	15k	1	1	fixed
✗	Cityscapes [10]	0.5	25k	3	50	fixed
✗	Waymo Open* [41]	11	390k	1	3	fixed
✗	Argoverse 2* [45]	4.2	300k	1	6	fixed
✓	nuScenes [6]	5.5	241k	2	2	fixed
✓	nuPlan [7]	120	4.0M	2	4	fixed
✓	Talk2Car [12]	4.7	-	2	2	fixed
✓	ONCE [32]	144	7M	1	-	fixed
✓	Honda-HAD [23]	32	1.2M	1	-	fixed
✓	Honda-HDD-Action [38]	104	1.1M	1	-	fixed
✓	Honda-HDD-Cause [38]	32	-	1	-	fixed
✓	OpenDV-YouTube (Ours)	1747	60.2M	$\geq 40^\dagger$	$\geq 709^\dagger$	uncalibrated
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OpenDV-2K (Ours) 🚀

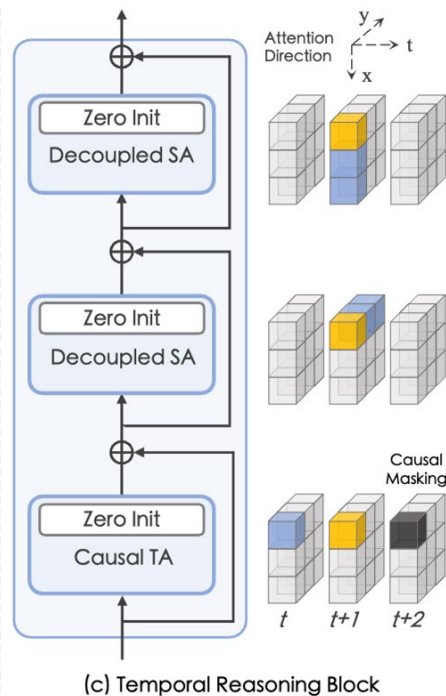
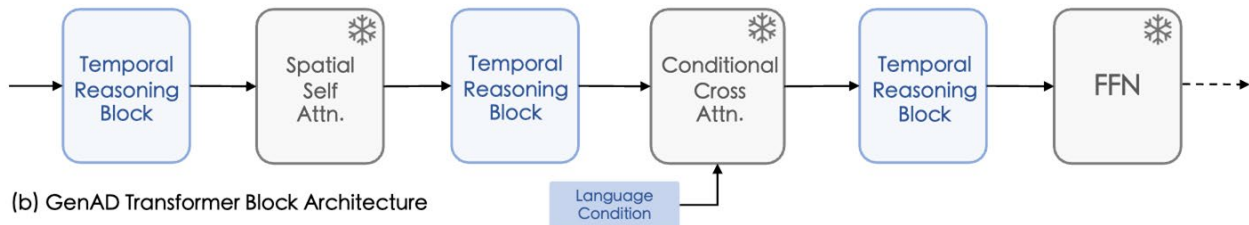


Model | Video Prediction Model for Driving

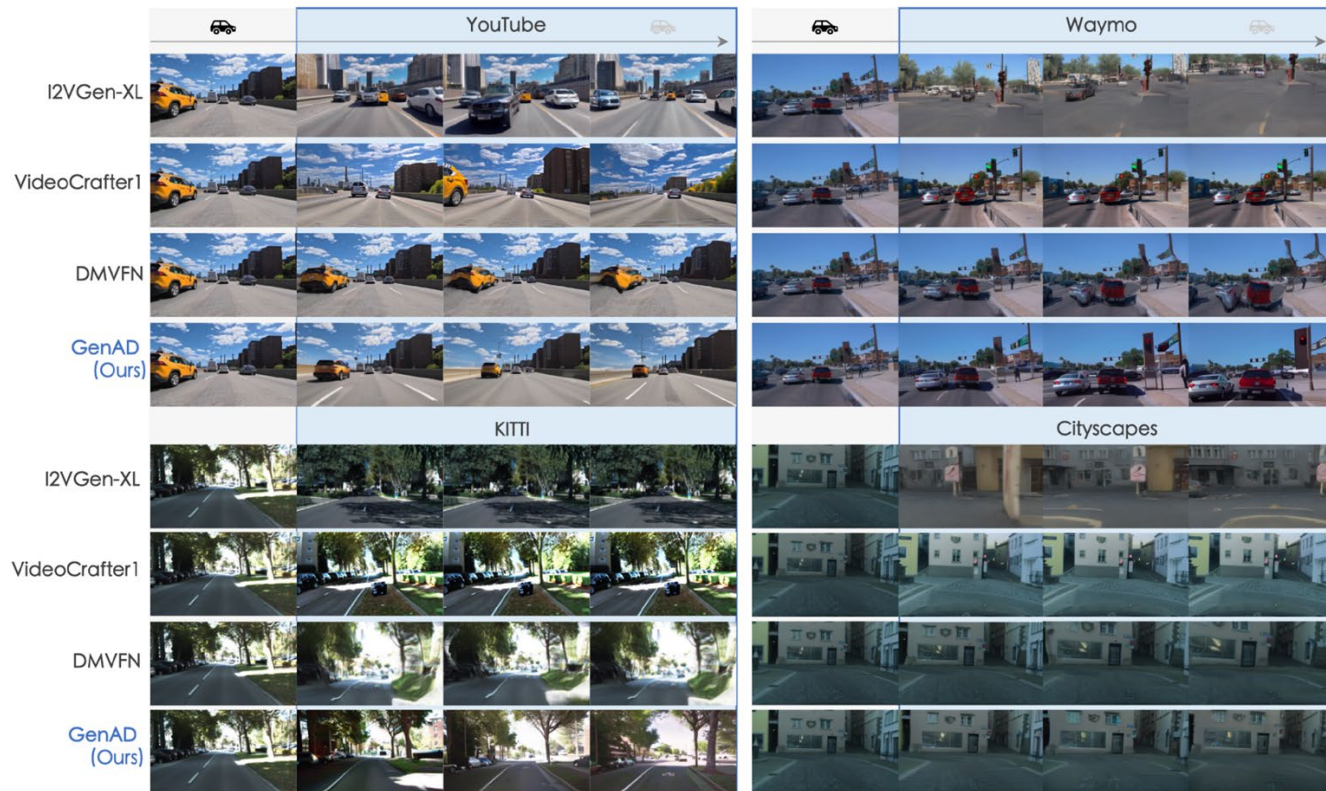
- **GenAD (5.9B)** = SDXL (2.7B) + Temporal Reasoning Blocks (2.5B) + CLIP-Text (0.7B)
- Tuning the **image generation model (SDXL)** into a highly-capable **video prediction model**



(a) GenAD: Two-Stage Learning



Tasks | Zero-shot Generalization (Video Prediction)



Zero-shot video prediction on unseen datasets including Waymo, KITTI and Cityscapes

Tasks | Language-conditioned Prediction

2. Language-conditioned Prediction



Instruct the future with **free-form texts**.

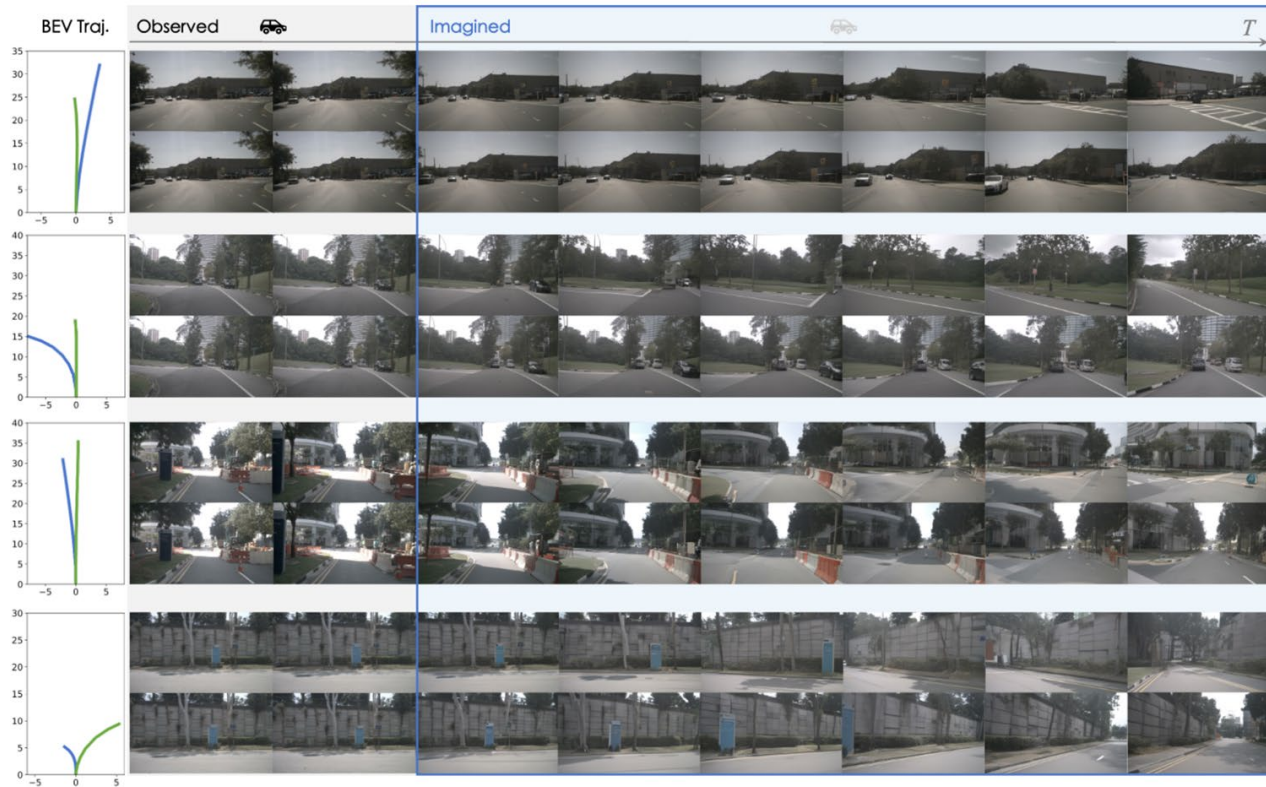


Tasks | Action-conditioned Prediction (Simulation)

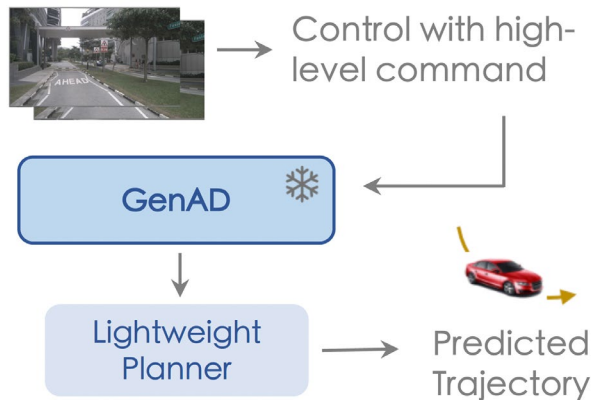
Method	Condition	nuScenes Action Prediction Error (\downarrow)
Ground truth	-	0.9
GenAD	text	2.54
GenAD-act	text + traj.	2.02

Table 4. **Task on Action-conditioned prediction.** Compared to GenAD with text conditions only, GenAD-act enables more precise future predictions that follow the action condition.

Simulate the future differently conditioned on future trajectory.



Tasks | Planning

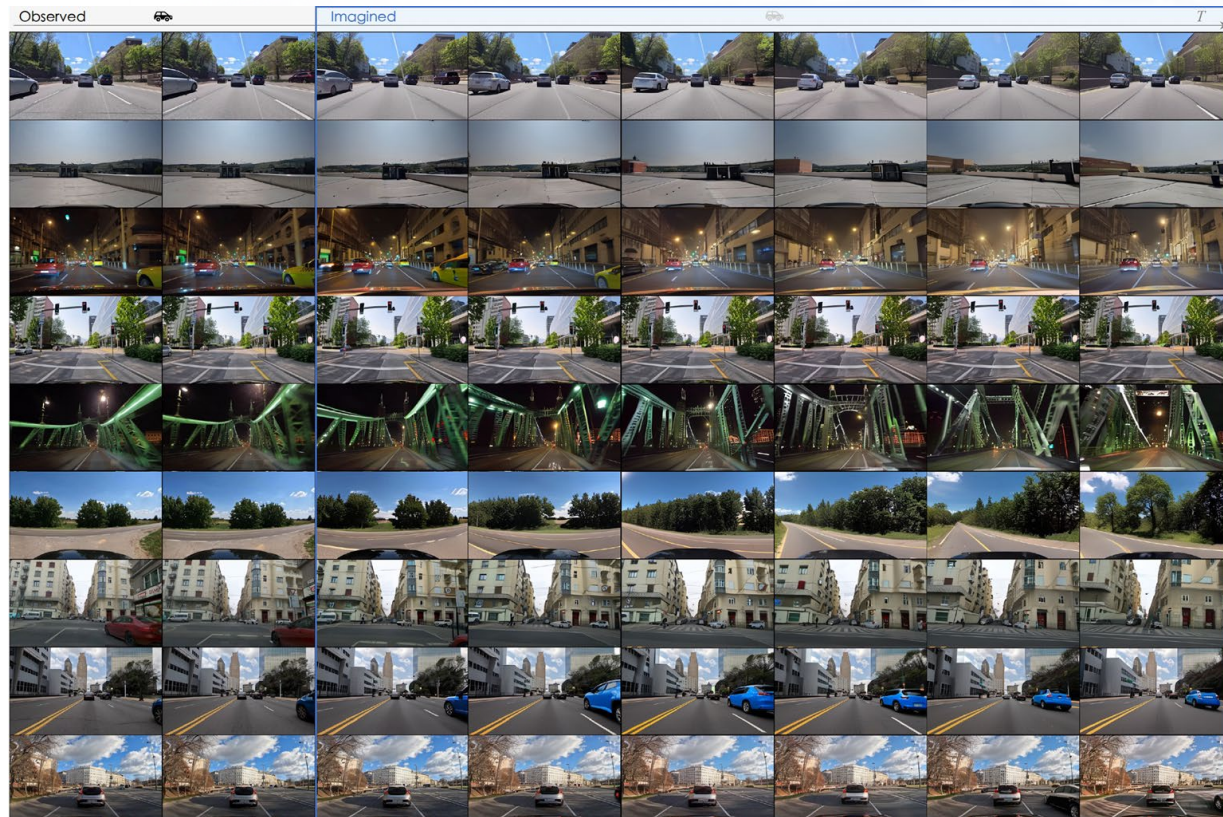


Method	# Trainable Params.	nuScenes	
		ADE (\downarrow)	FDE (\downarrow)
ST-P3* [20]	10.9M	2.11	2.90
UniAD* [22]	58.8M	1.03	1.65
GenAD (Ours)	0.8M	1.23	2.31

Table 5. **Task on Planning.** A lightweight MLP with *frozen* GenAD gets competitive planning results with $73\times$ fewer trainable parameters and front-view image alone. *: multi-view inputs.

Training process **speeds up by 3400 times** compared to UniAD (CVPR Best Paper).

More Visualizations on Video Prediction



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DriveLM: Driving with Graph Visual Question Answering

[https://github.com/OpenDriveLab/
DriveLM](https://github.com/OpenDriveLab/DriveLM)

Trending: Driving + Language



Go straight at an intersection then turn left.
There are **construction cones** on the road.

HAD — human-to-vehicle driving advice, highlighting key objects.

Explainable Driving Behavior

BDD-X — one-sentence explanation of driving behavior.



Berkeley DeepDrive



Action description: **Action justification:**

(1) The car is driving **as** there is nothing to impede it.



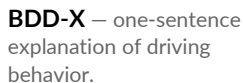
Table 1. **Comparison of DriveLM-nuScenes & -CARLA with Existing Datasets.** * indicates semi-rule-based labeling (w/ human annotators), ** indicates fully-rule-based (no human annotators), and - means publicly unavailable. DriveLM-Data significant advances annotation quantity, comprehensiveness (covering **perception**, **prediction** and **planning**), and logic (chain to **graph**).

Talk2Car – a description of how to reach the goal point from current position.

DRAMA – caption about important objects and future decision.

DriveLM — perception-prediction-planning driving description with graph-of-thought.

LINGO-1 – commentary for explaining driving behaviours.



HAD – human-to-vehicle driving advice, highlighting key objects.

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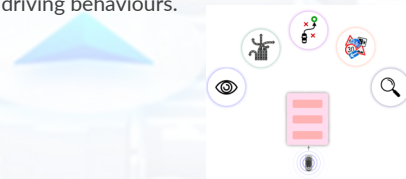
Planning

Prediction

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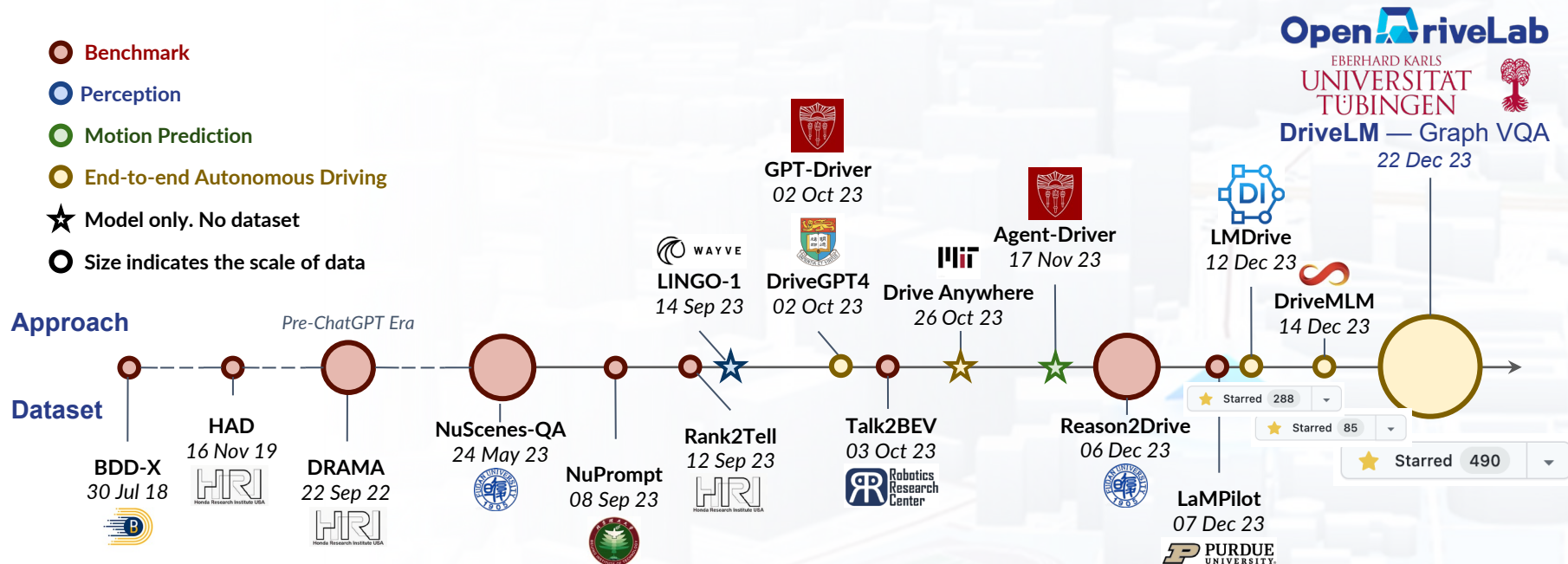


For now, language into driving is marginal (trivial).
Serves only as a “commentator”. We haven’t verified (or seen) the effectiveness.

DriveLM: When LLMs meet Driving

In collaboration with 美团

- Largest and high-quality benchmark, up to date.



DriveLM: Driving with Graph Visual Question Answering

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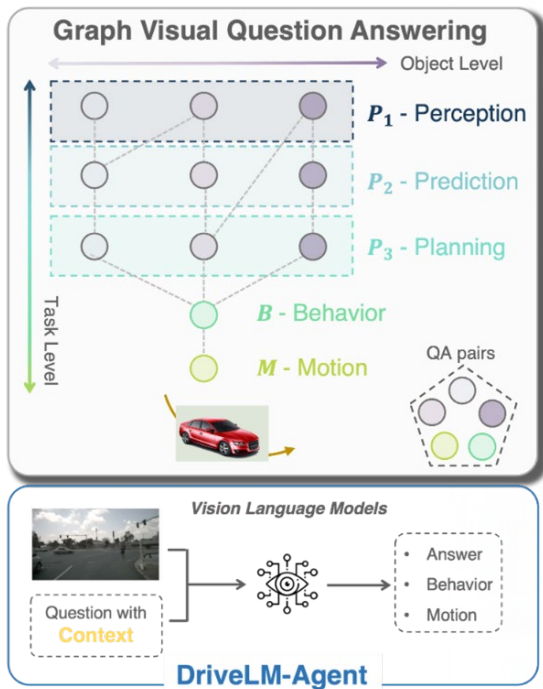
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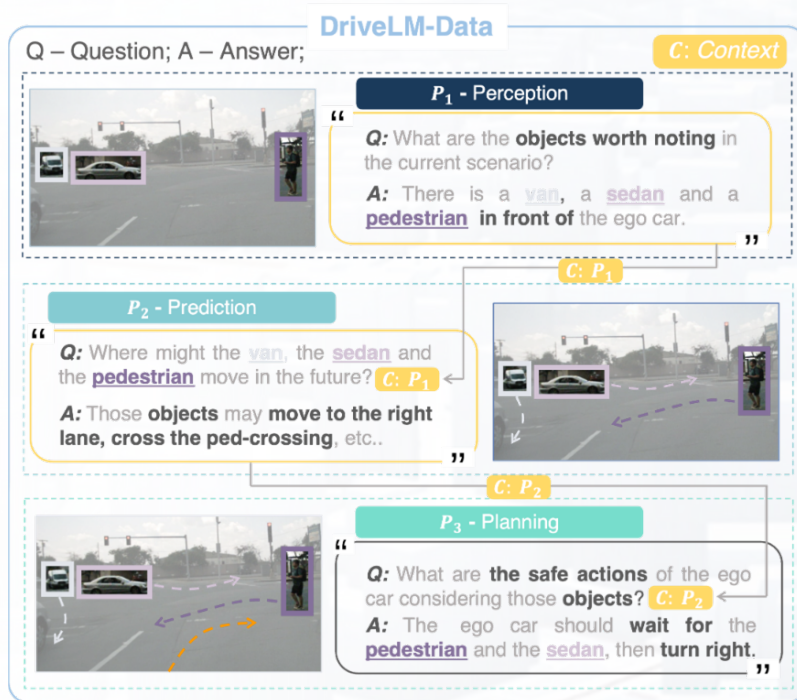
- **Generalization** and **Interactivity** in Autonomous Driving.
 - Generalized to **unseen** sensor configuration and objects.
 - Regional / Global (e.g. European) regulations require **explainability** through interaction.
- Recent success in **Vision Language Models**.
 - Good **reasoning** ability, enabled by LLM.
 - **No BEV** representation, since human do not rely on BEV.
- Why VLM in AD?
 - **Reasoning** ability helps **generalization**.
 - **Language** output provide **interactivity**.

DriveLM - At A Glance



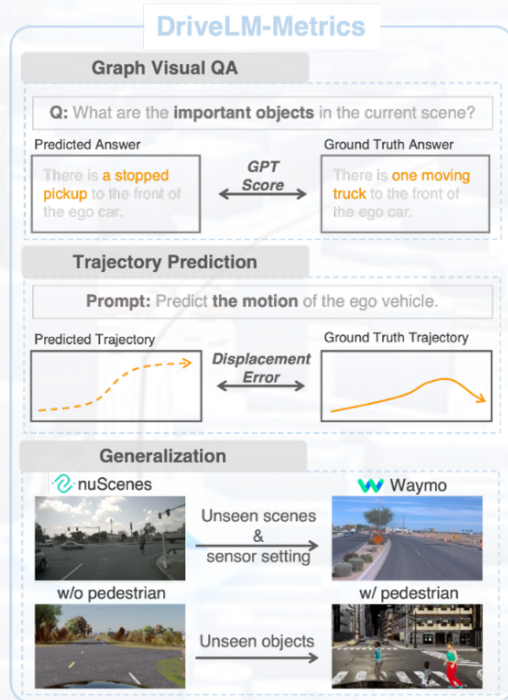
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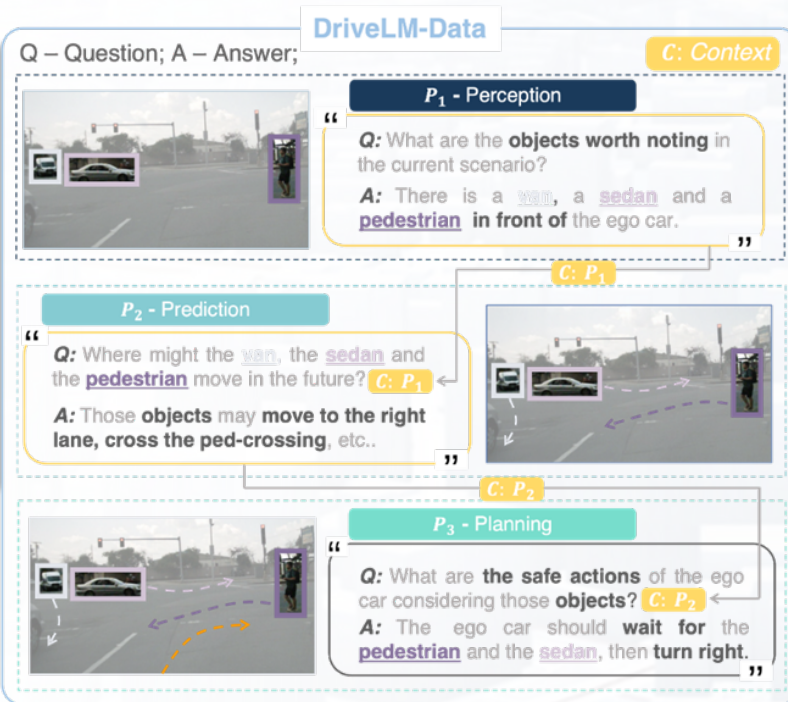
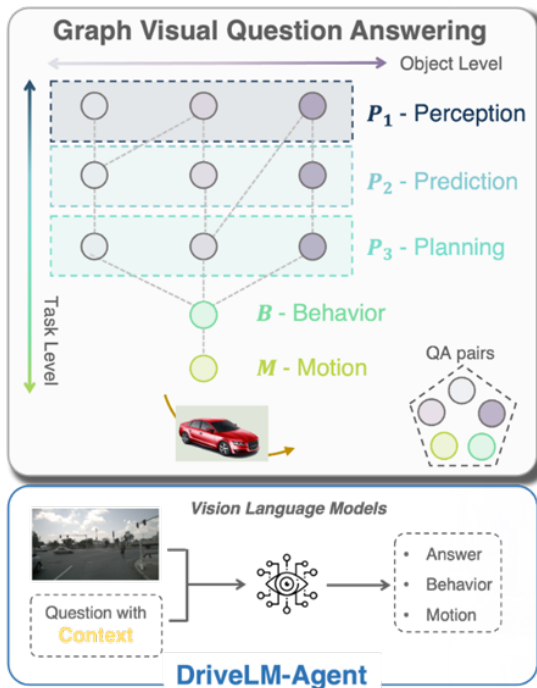
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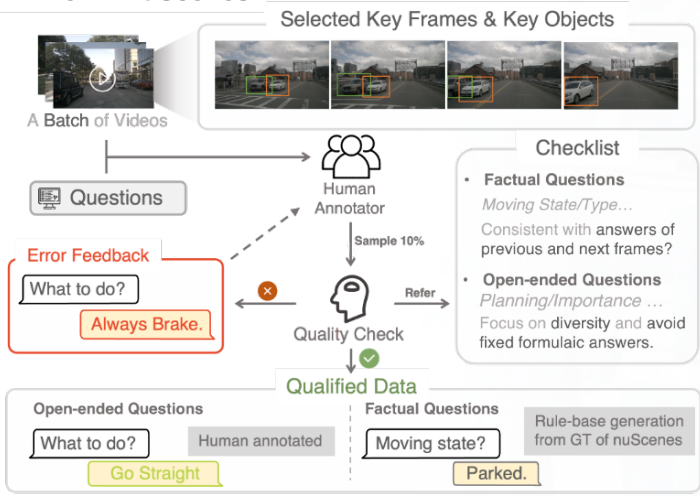
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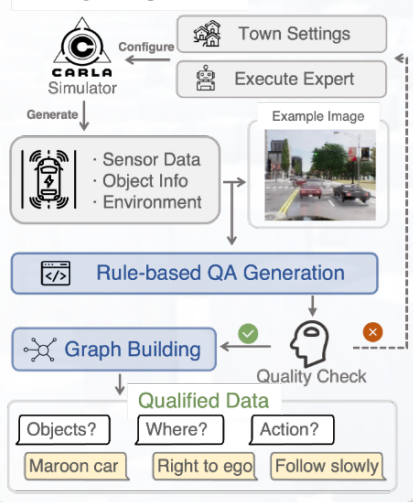
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DriveLM - Data

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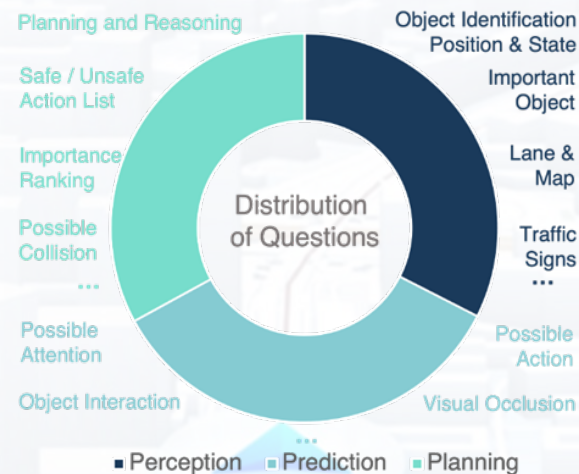
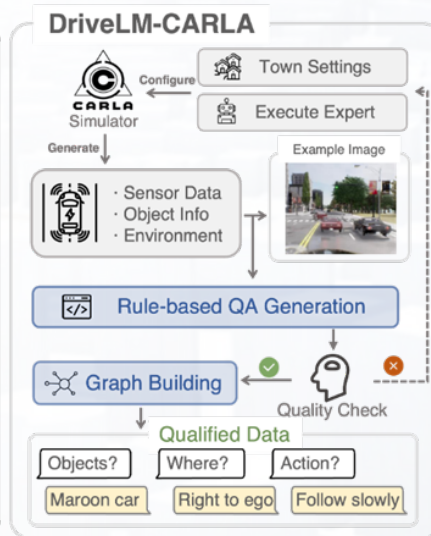
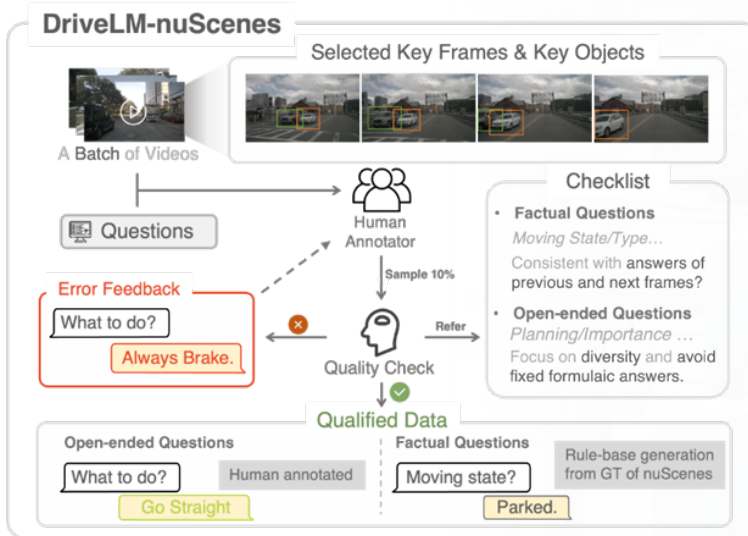


DriveLM-CARLA



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- To **scale-up** annotation, we adopt auto-labelling in CARLA.

DriveLM - Data



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Diversity matters, spanning from perception to prediction and planning.

DriveLM - Experiments

Method	Behavior Context	Motion Context	Behavior (B)			Motion (M)	
			Acc. \uparrow	Speed \uparrow	Steer \uparrow	ADE \downarrow	FDE \downarrow
Command Mean	-	-	-	-	-	7.98	11.41
UniAD-Single	-	-	-	-	-	4.16	9.31
BLIP-RT-2	-	-	-	-	-	2.78	6.47
DriveLM-Agent	None	B	35.70	43.90	65.20	2.76	6.59
	Chain	B	34.62	41.28	64.55	2.85	6.89
	Graph	B	39.73	54.29	70.35	2.63	6.17

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- Qualitative result shows that DriveLM-Agent does **understand the unseen scenarios** in some way.

Perception

Q : What are objects to the front of the ego car?

A : There are two cars to the front of the ego car.

Prediction

Q : What is the status of the cars that are to the front of the ego car? (C)

A : Two cars are moving.

Planning

Q : In this scenario, what are dangerous actions to take for the ego vehicle? (C)

A : Accelerate and go ahead, change to the left lane.

Behavior

Q : Predict the behavior of the ego vehicle. (C)

A : The ego vehicle is going straight. The ego vehicle is driving fast.

Motion

Q : Predict the motion of the ego vehicle. (C)

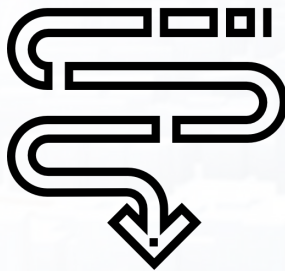
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DriveLM - Limitation



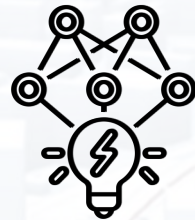
Driving-specific Inputs

DriveLM-Agent cannot handle common setting such as LiDAR or multi-view images as input, limiting its information source.



Closed-loop Planning

DriveLM-Agent is evaluated under an open-loop scheme, while closed-loop planning is necessary to see if it can handle corner cases.



Efficiency Constraints

Inheriting the drawbacks of LLMs, DriveLM-Agent suffers from long inference time, which may impact practical implementation.

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ELM: Embodied Understanding of Driving Scenarios



Embodied Understanding of Driving Scenarios

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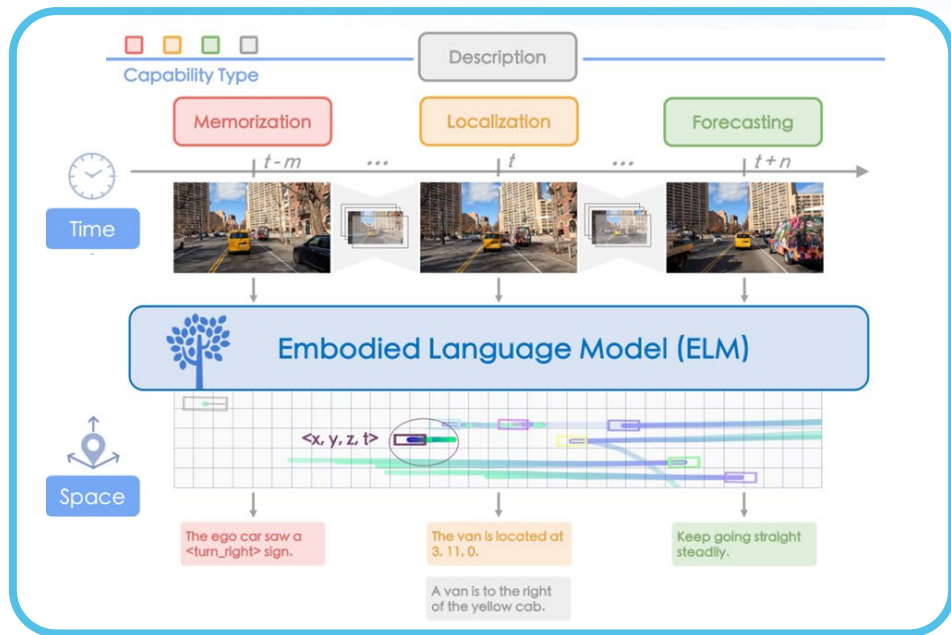
- Embodied understanding.
 - **interacting** with environments & **reasoning** via common sense.
- Vision-Language Models.
 - 2D domain: description
- Expanding Vanilla VLMs to Driving Scenes.
 - Task: embodied understanding of driving scenarios.
 - Capabilities: description, **localization**, **memorization**, **forecasting**.
 - Model: **ELM** with long-horizon **space** and **time**.
 - Benchmark: A spectrum of tasks in an embodiment setting.





Embodied Understanding

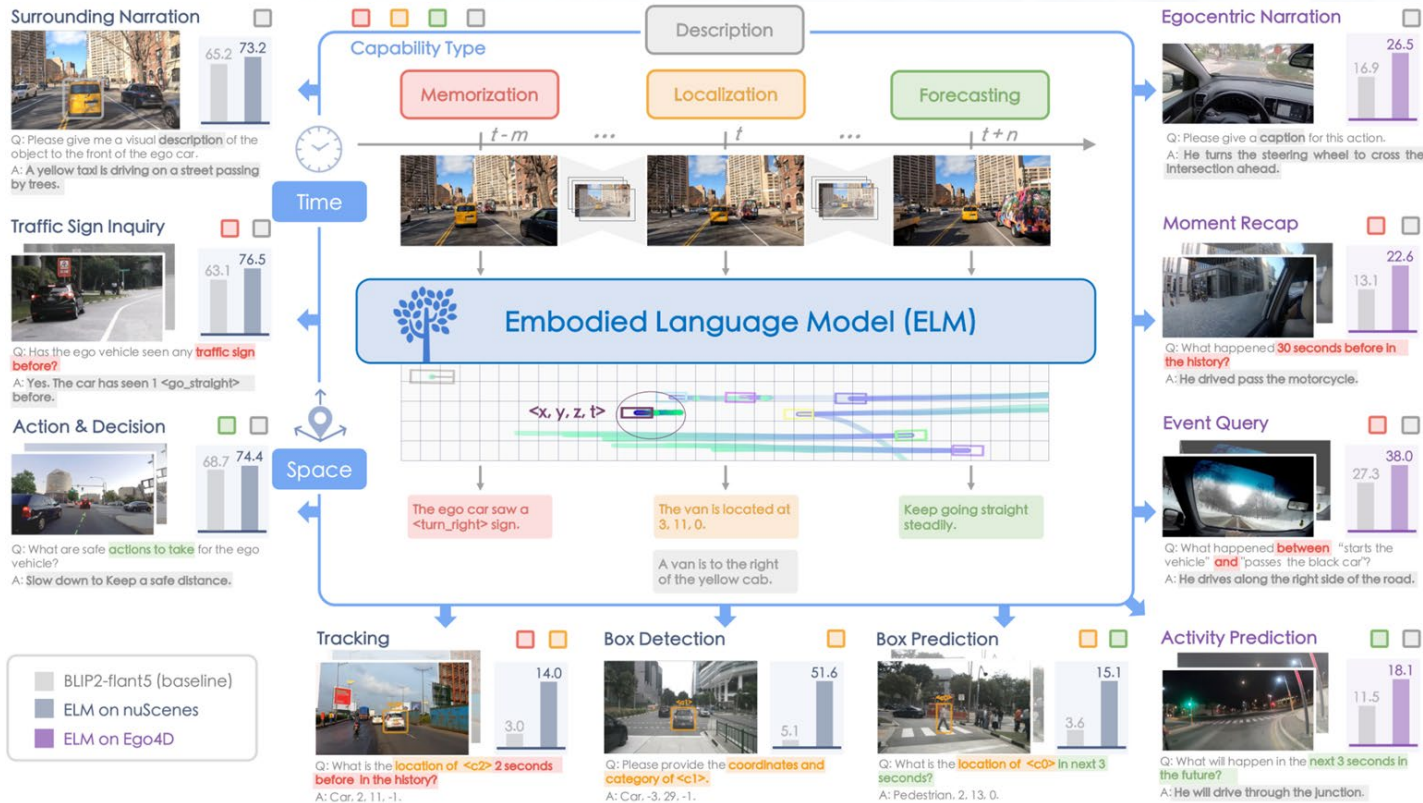
At A Glance

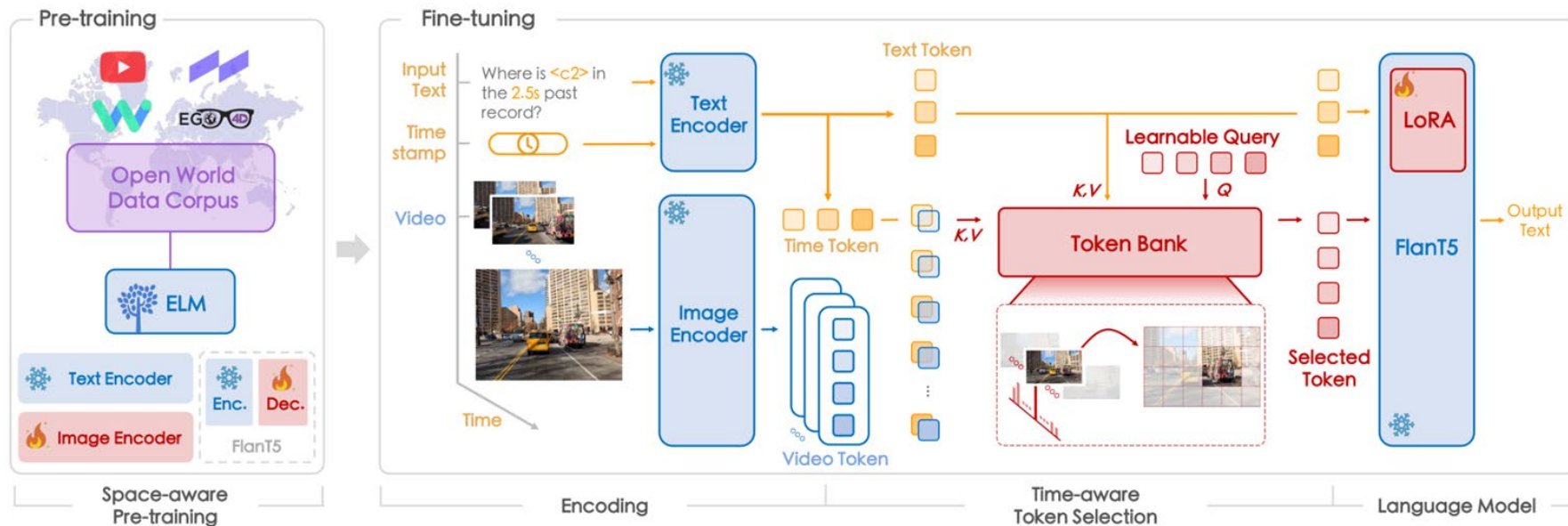


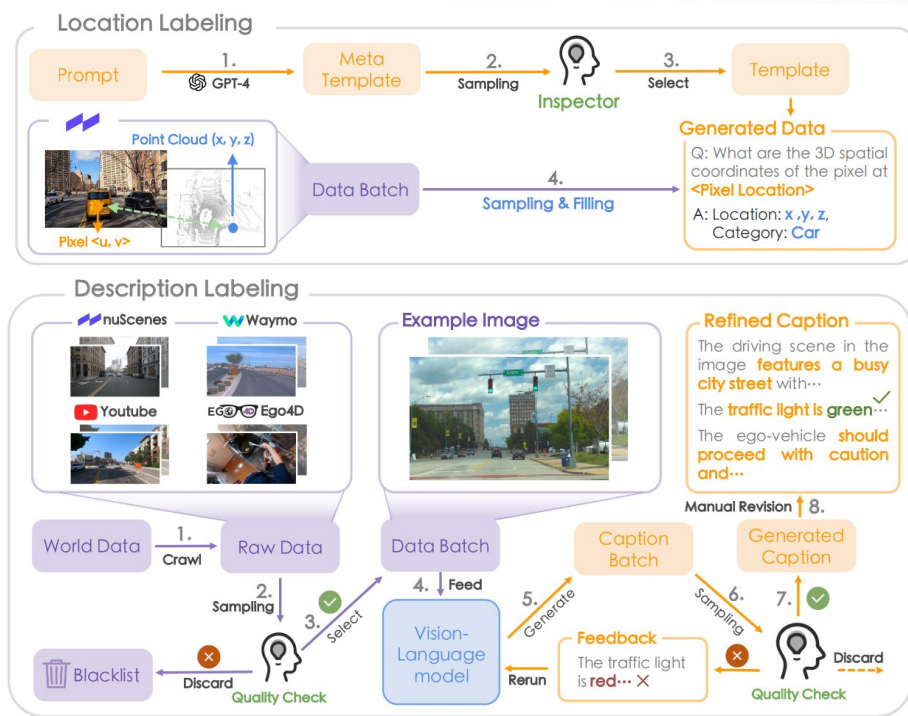
- ELM is an **embodied language model** for understanding the long-horizon driving scenarios in **space** and **time**.
- We expand a wide spectrum of **new tasks** to fully leverage large language models in an embodiment setting.

Embodied Understanding

At A Glance

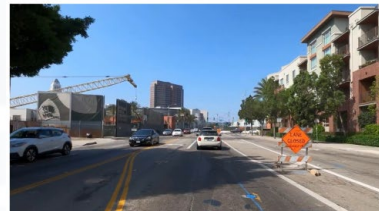






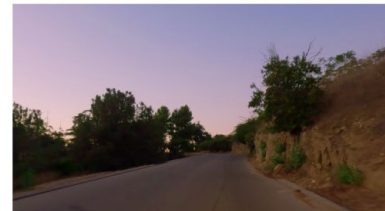
Examples of Description Labels

Q: What is the unusual about the driving scene?



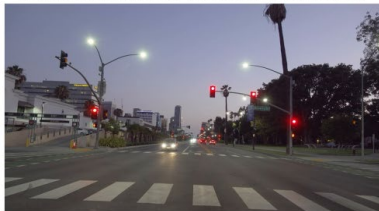
A: The scene shows a busy city street with a **construction site** on the side of the road. There is a traffic light visible in the background. The unusual element in this scene is the presence of a construction site, which may cause traffic disruptions or delays.

Q: Please describe the driving scene.



A: The scene is a road with a curvy, winding path, surrounded by trees and hills. The road is empty, with no other vehicles visible. **The sun is setting, casting a warm glow over the scene.**

Q: How should the ego-vehicle drive at this point?



A: The ego-vehicle should follow the traffic light's instructions and **wait for the light to turn green** before proceeding.

Q: Are there any potential dangers in the scenario?



A: The ego-vehicle should continue **driving through the intersection**, following the traffic light's instructions. It is important to **be cautious and attentive to the pedestrians** to ensure safety for all involved.



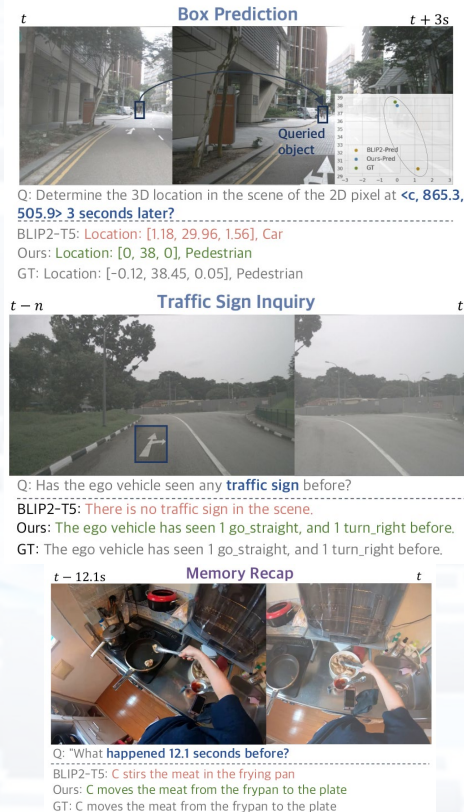
Methods	Tracking		Box Detection		Box Prediction		Traffic Sign Inquiry			Surrounding Narration			Action & Decision		
	Pr@1	Pr@2	Pr@1	Pr@2	Pr@1	Pr@2	C	R	B	C	R	B	C	R	B
BLIP2-opt [27]	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.5	23.0	26.9	20.5	8.1	19.7	21.2	8.4	11.5	11.1
BLIP2-flant5 [27]	3.0	6.0	5.1	10.5	3.6	6.3	63.1	39.4	31.4	65.2	64.9	27.9	68.7	71.4	43.1
LLaMA-Ada. [17]	6.1	10.5	8.3	14.9	7.5	12.5	<u>68.3</u>	<u>66.6</u>	<u>61.6</u>	<u>67.0</u>	<u>77.5</u>	60.1	<u>72.3</u>	<u>76.8</u>	64.7
LLaVA [32]	5.5	9.3	28.5	31.2	6.1	10.2	51.1	58.5	50.8	64.9	64.6	<u>41.2</u>	64.4	62.4	<u>57.9</u>
Otter [26]	<u>10.0</u>	<u>17.2</u>	<u>41.8</u>	<u>46.9</u>	<u>8.9</u>	<u>15.8</u>	62.8	41.1	32.4	60.0	64.2	13.3	69.2	73.2	53.0
VideoChat [28]	0.4	0.9	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	25.3	21.9	11.7	21.7	29.2	12.2	29.6	33.2	13.1
Vid-ChatGPT [36]	0.1	0.6	0.1	1.0	0.3	1.2	49.6	57.1	48.6	61.0	69.6	37.2	53.6	58.5	43.5
ELM (Ours)	14.0	23.3	51.6	56.9	15.1	24.4	76.5	71.2	63.9	73.2	78.7	29.8	74.4	83.3	41.2

(a) **nuScenes**. We outperform the best previous methods on most metrics across the six tasks on nuScenes which validates the generality of our model.

Methods	Moment Recap			Event Query			Egocentric Narration			Activity Prediction			Methods	# param
	C	R	B	C	R	B	C	R	B	C	R	B		
BLIP2-opt [27]	1.2	8.9	6.8	7.8	28.4	14.7	5.2	19.8	10.7	2.7	18.7	9.6	BLIP2-opt	2.7B
BLIP2-flant5 [27]	13.1	31.9	12.5	27.3	33.0	16.6	16.9	33.5	15.4	11.5	31.2	11.3	BLIP2-flant5	2.7B
LLaMA-Ada. [17]	11.2	30.2	12.3	37.5	47.2	28.1	18.4	34.2	15.3	<u>13.1</u>	31.2	12.8	LLaMA-Ada.	7B
LLaVA [32]	9.6	28.3	12.1	39.8	<u>44.6</u>	29.9	6.5	28.2	11.6	8.4	28.0	13.0	LLaVA	7B
Otter [26]	11.4	29.6	10.5	27.1	38.3	19.1	14.1	31.4	13.9	11.1	29.4	10.3	Otter	7B
VideoChat [28]	<u>13.2</u>	<u>32.5</u>	<u>13.8</u>	34.5	42.2	26.4	<u>20.7</u>	<u>35.0</u>	17.6	12.1	<u>32.4</u>	<u>14.1</u>	VideoChat	7B
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(b) **Ego4D**. We extended the model to Ego4D dataset and verified the generality of our token bank module on four tasks.

(c) **Adopted LLM params.**



One-page Takeaway

- End-to-end Autonomous Driving
 - Challenge: **Generalization & Explainability**
 - Recent trend: use vision language model to **embed “world knowledge”** to solve the challenges.
- DriveLM: Driving with Graph Visual Question Answering
 - Use **Graph VQA** as a proxy task to mimic human’s driving logic
 - **Some good result under zero-shot setting, but still far from claiming good generalization.**
- ELM: Embodied Understanding of Driving Scenarios
 - Revive driving scene understanding by delving into **embodied** settings, along with capacities, tasks, and rubrics.
 - Expand vanilla VLMs to process long horizon **space** and **time** (open-world data & module design).



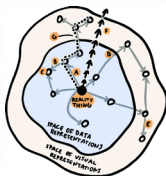
End-to-end Autonomous Driving Key Challenges

Challenges in End-to-end Autonomous Driving

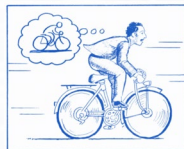
An Overview



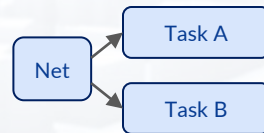
Input Modality



Visual Abstraction



World Model



Multi-task Learning



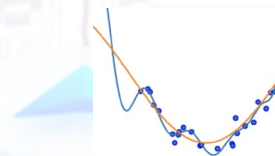
Policy Distillation



Interpretability



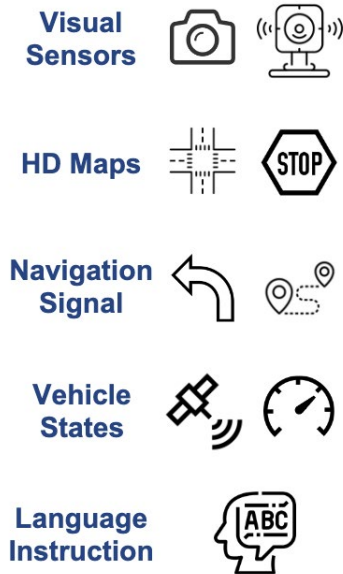
Causal Confusion



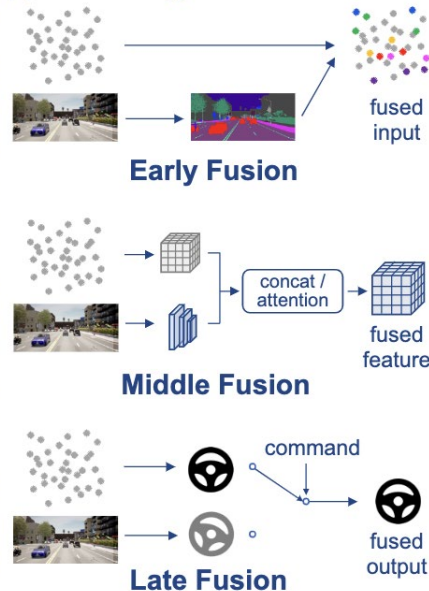
Robustness and Generalization

挑战 (1/8) - Input Modality

(a) Input modality



(b) Fusion strategy



- **Early Fusion:** Combine sensory information before feeding it into the feature extractor
- **Middle Fusion:** Separately encode inputs and then combining them at the feature level
- **Late Fusion:** Combine multiple results from multi-modalities (**Worst Performance**)

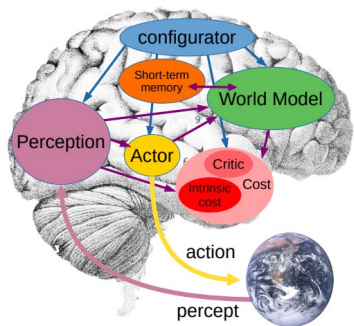
挑战 (2/8) - Visual Abstraction

Current methods first pre-train the visual encoder of the network using **proxy pre-training tasks**.



There inevitably exist possible **information bottlenecks** in the learned representation, and redundant information unrelated to driving decisions may be included.

挑战 (3/8) - World Model



In a nutshell:

State of the world at time t : $s(t)$

Imagined action taken at time t : $a(t)$

Causal prediction:

$$s(t+1) = g(s(t), a(t))$$

where $g()$ is the world model.

Such a *causal* world models enables planning.

	States	Cost / Reward
RL Gyms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ego agent- Other objects (static)- Background environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Success/Fail- Intermediate Reward
Autonomous Driving	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ego-vehicle- Other vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists, etc (moving)- Background environment <div>↓</div> <div>Complicated!</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Collision- Comfort- Forward- etc <div>↓</div> <div>Hard to define!</div>

A video predictor?

挑战 (4/8) - Multi-task Learning

Multi-task learning (MTL) : Jointly perform several related tasks based on a shared representation through separate branches/heads.

Pros

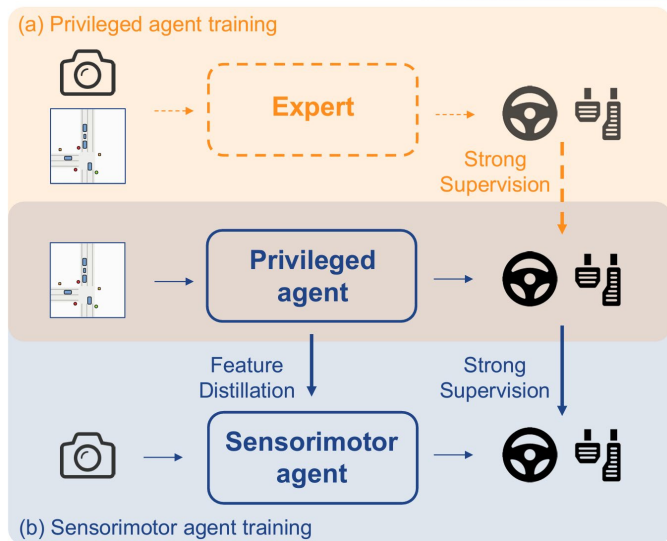
- Significant computational cost reduction
- Related domain knowledge is shared within the shared model

Challenges

- The optimal combination of auxiliary tasks and the appropriate weighting of their losses
- Construct large-scale datasets with multiple types of aligned and high-quality annotations

挑战 (5/8) - Policy Distillation

The popular “Teacher-Student” IL Paradigm



- Expert: Ground Truth (GT) to action



Gap

Student: Image to action

- Expert (by RL/IL/hand-rule, gt input)
- Not/Can't perfect, even for a certain benchmark

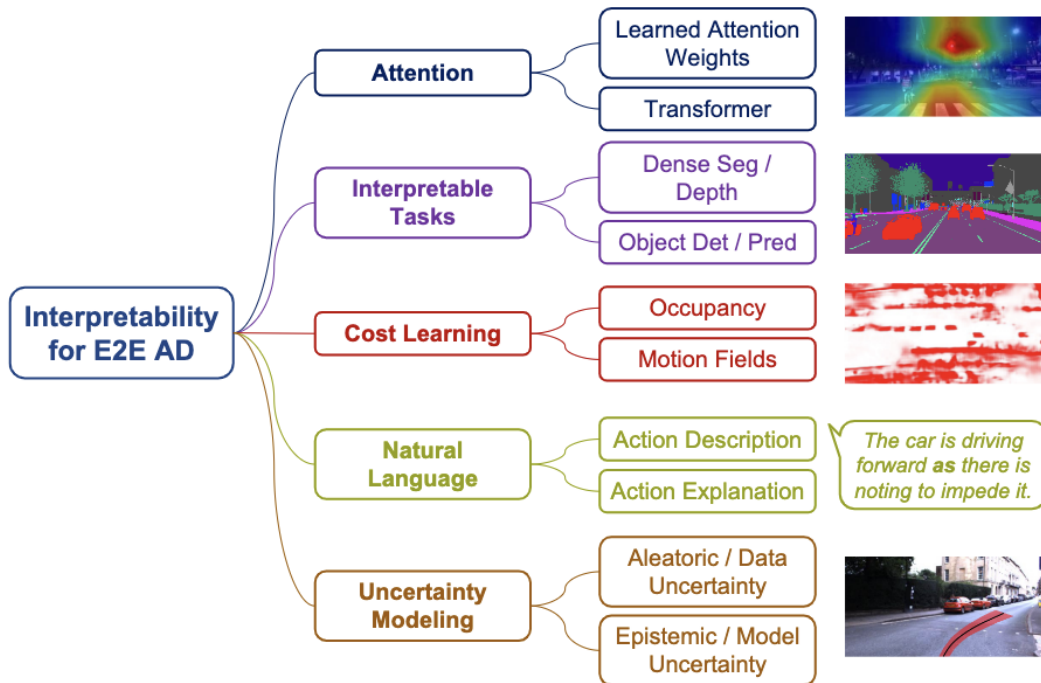
Method	Input	Driving Score ↑
Transfuser [39, 8]	Camera + LiDAR	31.0
LAV [3]	Camera + LiDAR	46.5
Student Model + Frozen Roach	Camera + LiDAR	8.9
Roach [55]	Privileged Info.	74.2
Roach + Rule [50]	Privileged Info.	87.0

From DriveAdapter work,
ICCV 2023

- What for or How to **Distillation**
 - **Critical** features
 - Input gap - Casual confusion

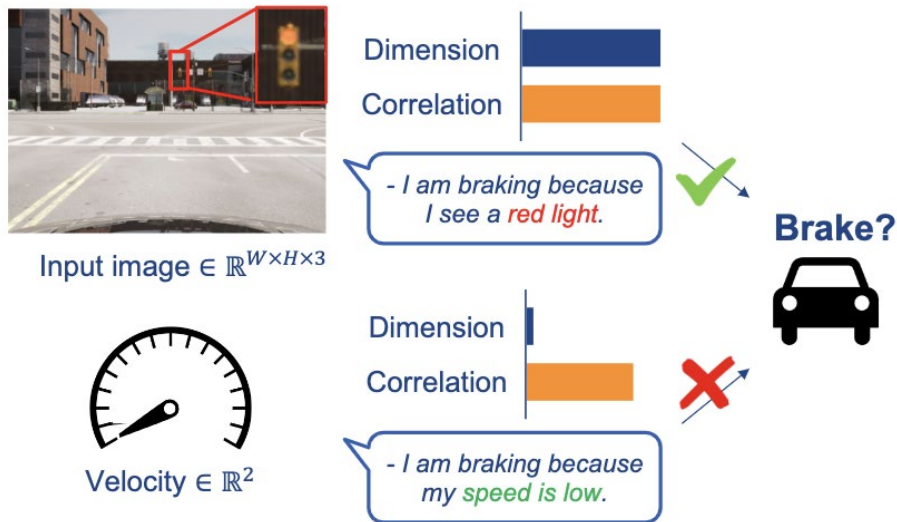
挑战 (6/8) - Interpretability

Summary of the different forms of interpretability



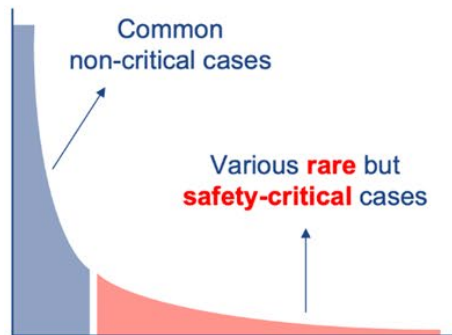
They aid in human comprehension of the **decision-making processes** of end-to-end models, **perception failures**, and the **reliability of the outputs**.

挑战 (7/8) - Causal Confusion

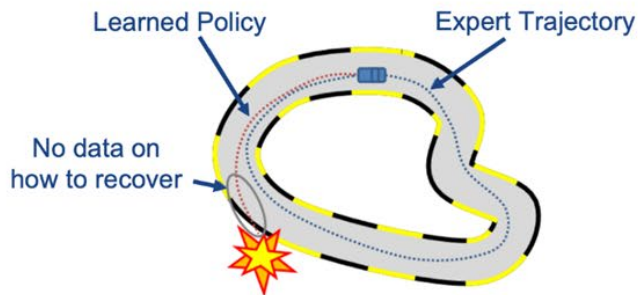


- Driving is a task that exhibits **temporal smoothness**, which makes past motion a reliable predictor of the next action.
- However, methods trained with **multiple frames** can become overly reliant on this shortcut. This is referred to as the **copycat problem** and is a manifestation of **causal confusion**.

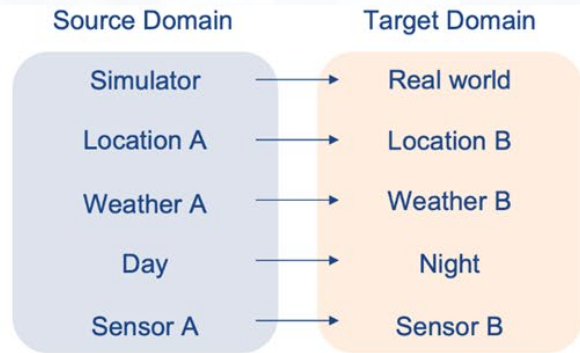
挑战 (8/8) - Robustness and Generalization



(a) Long-tailed Distribution



(b) Covariate Shift



(c) Domain Adaptation





End-to-end Autonomous Driving Future Work

Gap between The Rest and SORA

- **High-quality Video Data** Need massive collection, including films
 - Long duration(> 60s) , high resolution, large motion, comprehensive scenarios
 - Existing **public video datasets** are **inadequate** in both quality and duration. (e.g., webvid 10M, internvid, vimeo 25M)
 - **Film data** is a good source. (movies, documentaries, animations, etc.)

- **Spatial-temporal VAE** Need to build from scratch
 - **Videos are highly redundant in temporal dimension**,
 - thus should be **compressed** for efficiency.
 - The key ingredient to **long video generation**.
 - SVD (<5s) → SORA (60s)

- **Diffusion Model Architecture** Public, DiT (But need to be extended to video version)
 - Temporal attention alone is not efficient for modeling large motions.
 - **We need (global) spatial-temporal attention**, which requires more compute but yields better results after scaling.

- **Highly-capable Video Captioner** Not available, but have some weaker public solutions
 - Annotating accurate and expressive captions for each video clip.
 - Public solutions: LLaVA, VideoChat, GPT-4.

S SVD (Previous Sota)

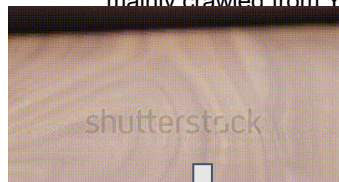



 short duration, small motion, simple scenario

Functionality image → video
1024 x 576 x 4s x 6Hz

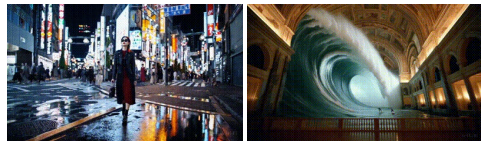
Model Spatial VAE
+ UNet

Training data 152M (0.15B) video clips
(low quality, short duration,
small motion, simple scenarios),
mainly crawled from YouTube




 **Most of YouTube Videos are noisy, short-period, and in small motion.**

 SORA



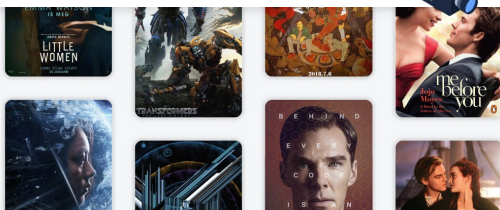
 long duration, large motion, complex scenario


text/image/video → video
1920 x 1080 x 60s x 30Hz

 Owe to the compression by spatial-temporal VAE

Spatial-Temporal VAE +
DiT (More scalable)

>> 1B video clips (approx.)
(high quality, long duration, large motion, comprehensive scenarios)



 **We may need film data, which are long-period, highly-dynamic, and highly-aesthetic.**
(movies, documentaries, animations, etc.)

Milestone in Computer Vision (1/2)

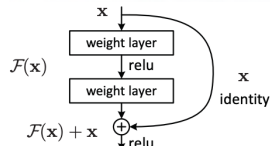


2014.6

Citation: 65k

GAN Université de Montréal

Generative adversarial network



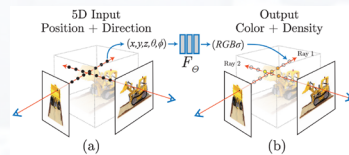
- Unleashing the power of **deep neural networks**.
- **Stacking more layers** -> better performance.

2017.3

Citation: 32k

Mask R-CNN Meta

Segment instances via an **effective mask branch**.



Bridging 2D and 3D representations with multi-view images.

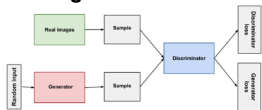
2020.5

Citation: 9k

DETR Meta

Leverage **transformers** for end-to-end **object detection**.

A prominent framework for **generative AI**.



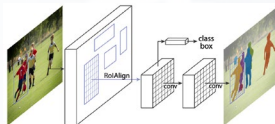
ResNet

Residual connections enables building deep neural

Citation: 200k

2015.12

Simple yet effective **object centric learning paradigm**.



NeRF

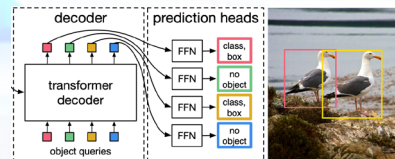


Represent **Scenes as Neural Radiance Fields** for View Synthesis

Citation: 5k

2020.3

Representing objects as learnable queries dominates vision tasks for its **simplicity and flexibility**.



Milestone in Computer Vision (2/2)



2020.10

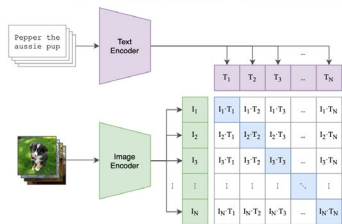
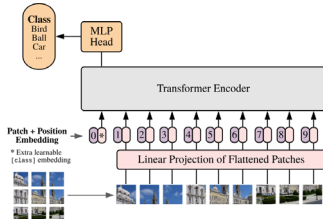
Citation: 30k

Vision Transformer

Pure transformer

works in vision regime

Unifying the model architecture of vision and language, enabling multi-modal researches.



- A first-time success in leveraging internet-scale multi-modal corpus.
- Fueling multi-modal researches like open-vocabulary vision tasks, text-to-image generations, etc.

2021.11

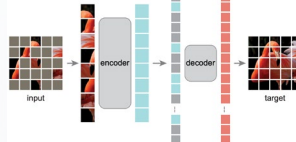
Citation: 4k

MAE



Scale up vision models via masked image modeling.

A huge success of self-supervised learning in vision.



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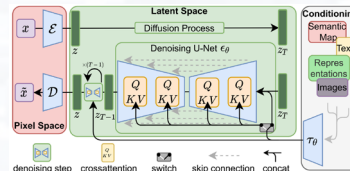


Connect texts and images via large-scale contrastive learning.

Citation: 12k

2021.2

Scaling up data and model is the key to success!



- Pre-trained on billion-scale image-text data.
- Opening the era of high-quality content generation.

Latent Diffusion



High-quality image generation via diffusion in the latent space.

Citation: 5k

2021.12

2023.4

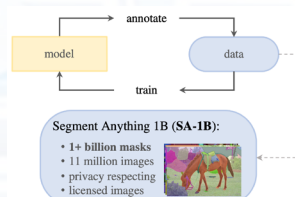
Citation: 1k

SAM



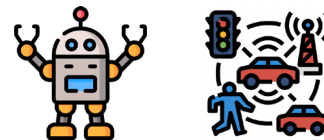
Annotate 1 billion mask with semi-supervised model in the loop.

A promising way to enlarge vision data via semi-supervised data engine.



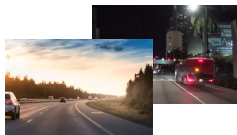
(c) Data: data engine (top) & dataset (bottom)

Towards Intelligent, Reliable and Generalizable Autonomy

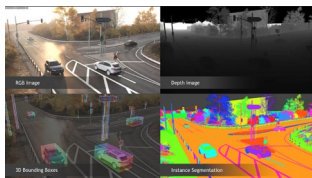


Data-centric Pipeline

Data Collection

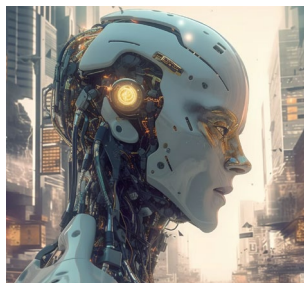


Data Generation



Pre-training DriveCore

Foundation Model

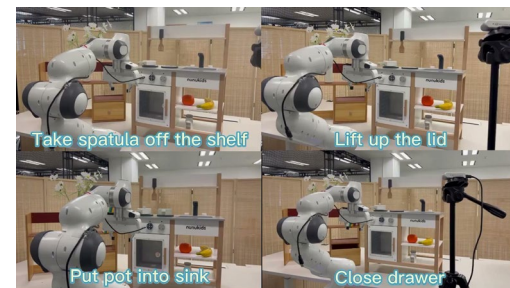


Applications

Autonomous Driving



Embodied AI



Integrated and General AGI for autonomous driving

How to formulate?
What's the objective goal?
GenAD (our on-going project)

Foundation Models

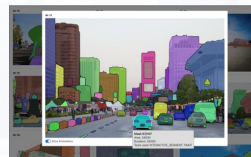
NLP (LLM)



ChatGPT



General CV



AD System

- Language Interpreter
- Driving Knowledge
- Any more?

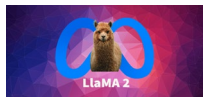
- Vision Abstractor
- Auto-labeling
- Any more?

Foundation Models (cont'd)

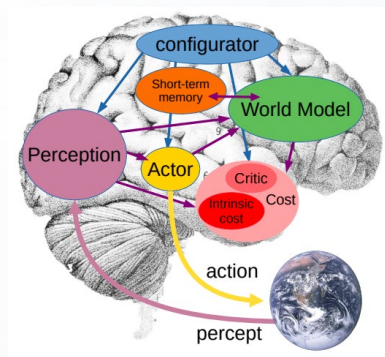
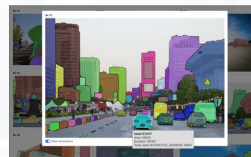
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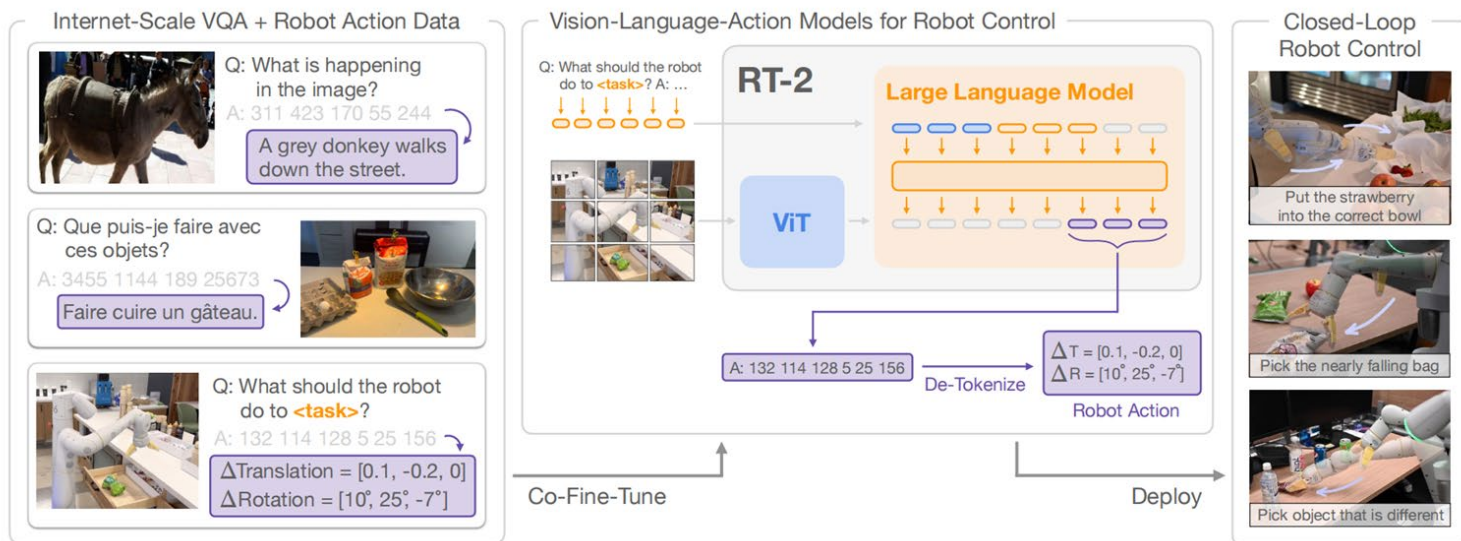
General CV



AD System

- Multimodality
- Intelligence
- Generalization

Insight from Robotics / Embodied AI



- How vision-language models trained on Internet-scale data can be incorporated directly into **end-to-end robotic control**
- Goal: to **boost generalization** and enable emergent semantic reasoning

- Robotic tasks naturally fits into language at dissecting tasks step by step using language (prompt).
- Is it the **right way** to open the language tool box as does in Robotics for Autonomous Driving?






Key ingredient(s): huge amount of data (not public) + language prompt to dissect tasks

Analogy to General Domains in CV/NLP/Robotic

General Large Models

Domain	Method Abbreviation		Institute / Time	Data Scale	Public?
NLP (LLM)	GPT-4		OpenAI / 2023.3	13T tokens	✗
	LLaMA 2		Meta / 2023.7	2T tokens	✓
Vision	ViT-22B		Google / 2023.2	4B images	✗
Vision Language (LLM backend)	BLIP-2		Salesforce / 2023.1	129M images-text pairs	✓

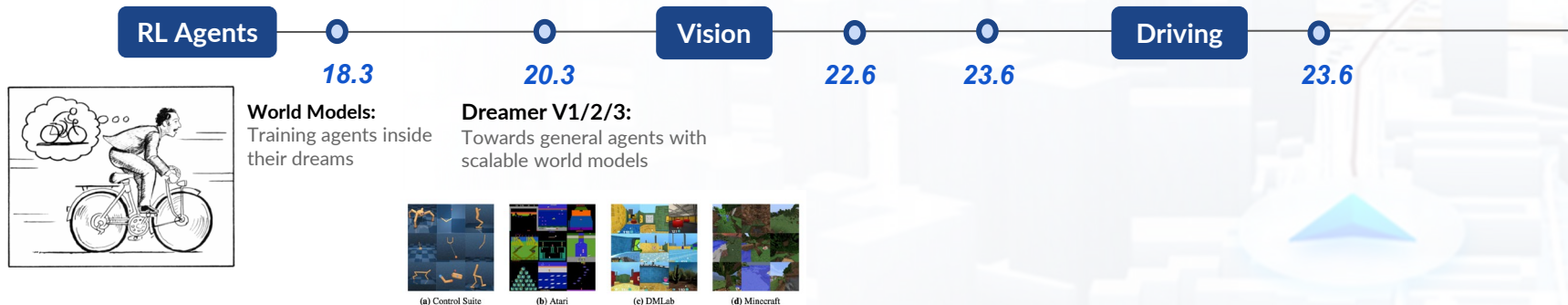
Industrial Large Models (Application)

Autonomous Driving nuScenes: 4.5h	DriveAGI (GenAD)		OpenDriveLab / 2023.11	2000 h videos (public)	✓
	GAIA-1		Wayve / 2023.6	4700 h videos	✗
	World Model Demo		Tesla / 2023.6	Unknown (Large-scale)	✗
Robotics (LLM backend)	PaLM-E		Google / 2023.3	Unknown (Large-scale)	✗
	RT-2		DeepMind / 2023.7	1B img-text pairs / 13 robots / 17 months	✗

If taken seriously for AD: lots of compute (at least 200 A100s) + massive amount of data (at least 10k hours of diverse, high-quality data)

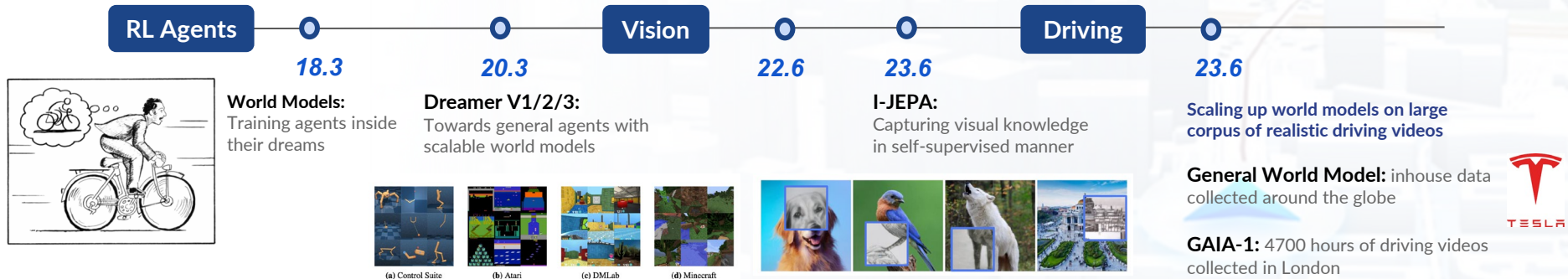
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Is it useful for downstream tasks? (To be validated)

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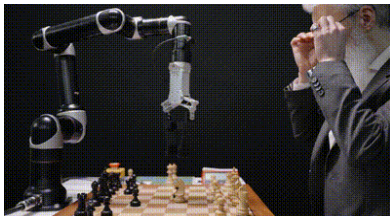
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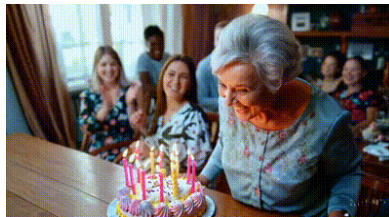
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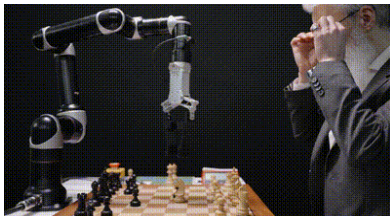
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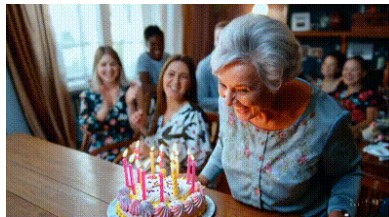
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System**

Data-driven

Alg-driven

Metric-
driven

- Scaling data in all levels with self-supervised learning → Interaction between agents and env/physical world
- Simulating the physical world → Pixel-level not suffice. Actions require latent abstractions. Depends on task.
- Rule of thumbs from foundation models
- Authentic evaluation metric.
- Guarantee reliability and safety.

End-of-Lecture

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主流工作选讲 - Part 3

End-to-end Autonomous Driving



GAIA-1

End-to-end Autonomous Driving

GAIA-1 | Motivation

Want to solve the problem:

How to predict the various potential outcomes that may emerge in response to the vehicle's actions as the world evolves?

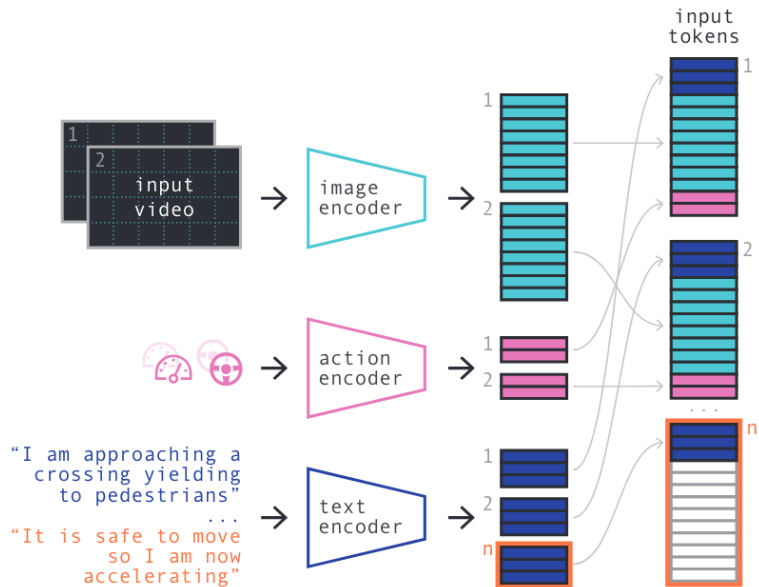
Current limitations:

- **Labeled data:** hard to obtain at scale
- **Simulated data:** low-dimensional representations; hard to capture the complexities of real-world

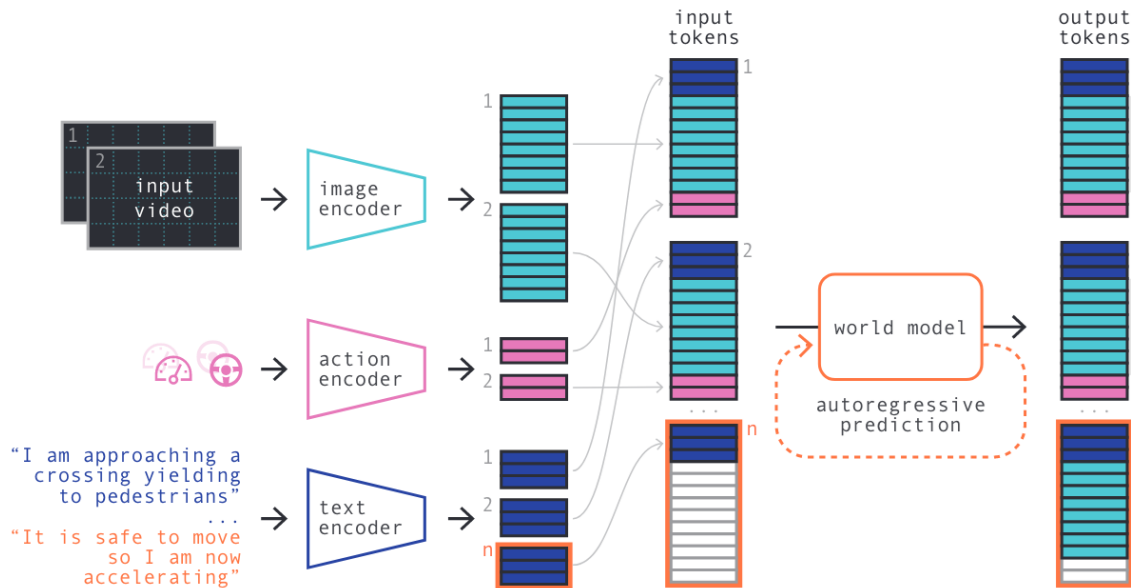
GAIA-1 can:

- Combine world models and generative video generation
- Ensure the realism of generative video models and learn meaningful representations

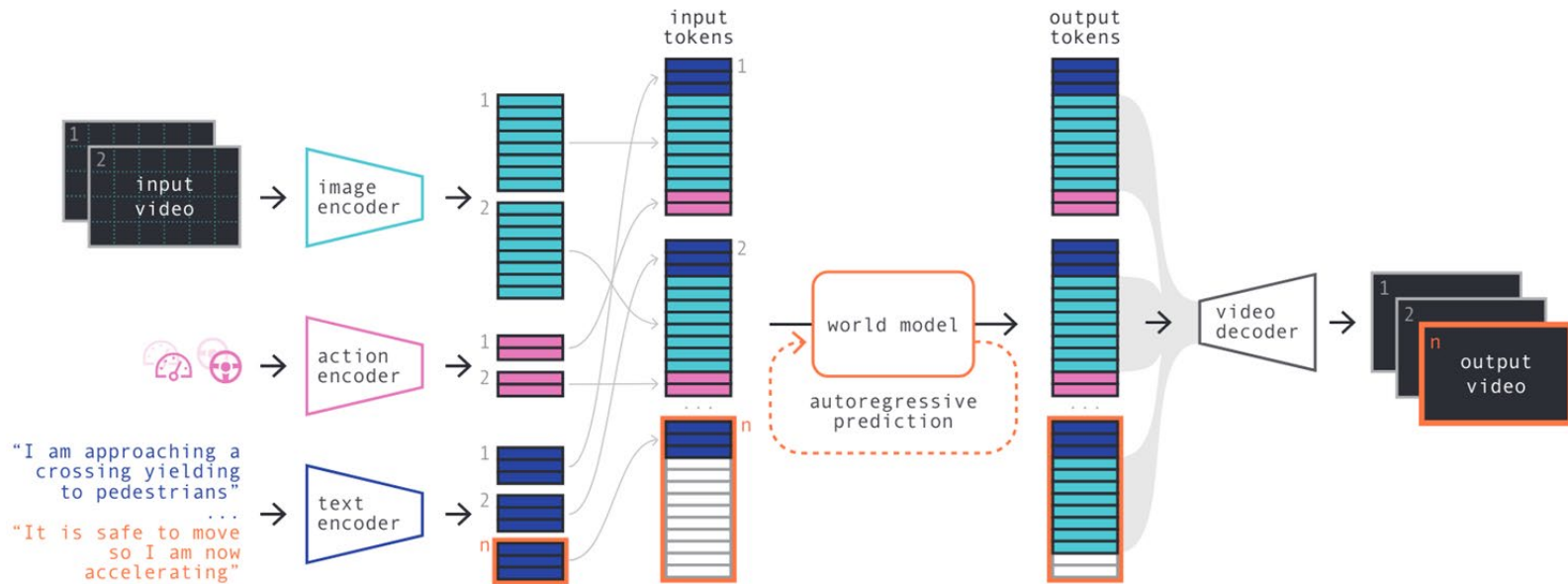
首先，将来自所有输入模态（视频、文本、动作）的信息编码为一个通用的表示，图像、文本和动作被编码为一系列token



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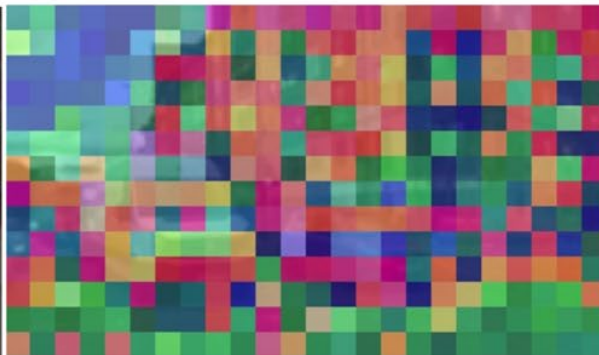
最后，视频解码器以更高的时间分辨率将预测的图像token映射回像素空间



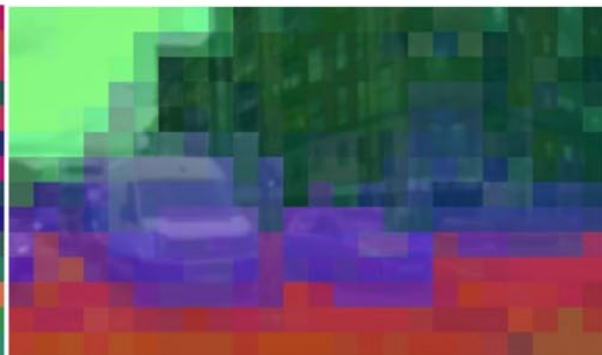
In **Image Tokenizer**, GAIA-1 guides the compression towards meaningful representations by regressing to the latent features of a pre-trained **DINO** model.



(a) Input image

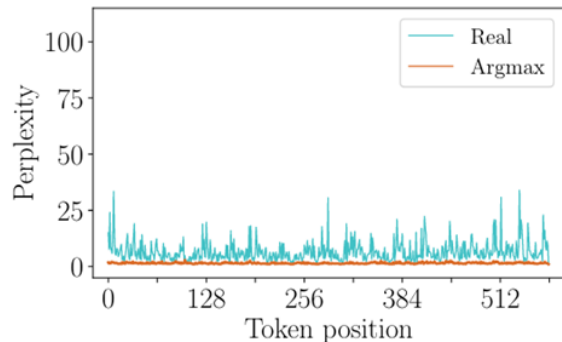


(b) Base VQ-GAN tokens

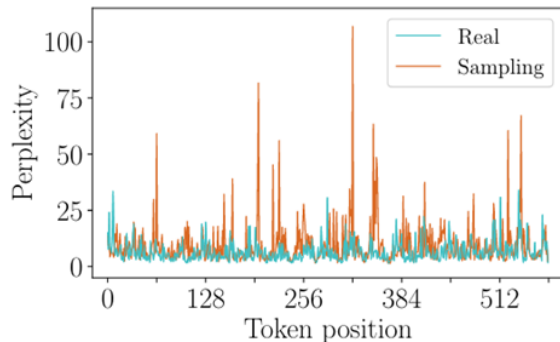


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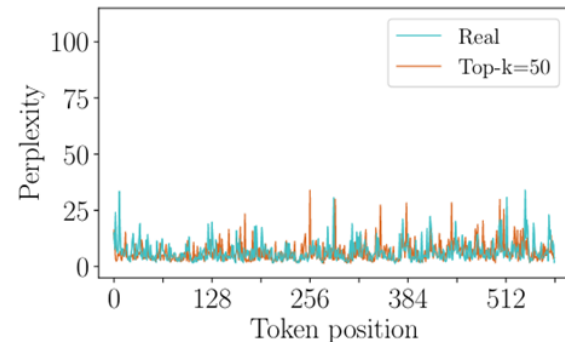
To encourage **diversity** as well as **realism**, GAIA-1 employs **top-k sampling** to sample the next image token from the top-k most likely choices.



(a) Argmax.



(b) Sampling.



(c) Top-k sampling.

Images generated by GAIA-1





EgoStatus

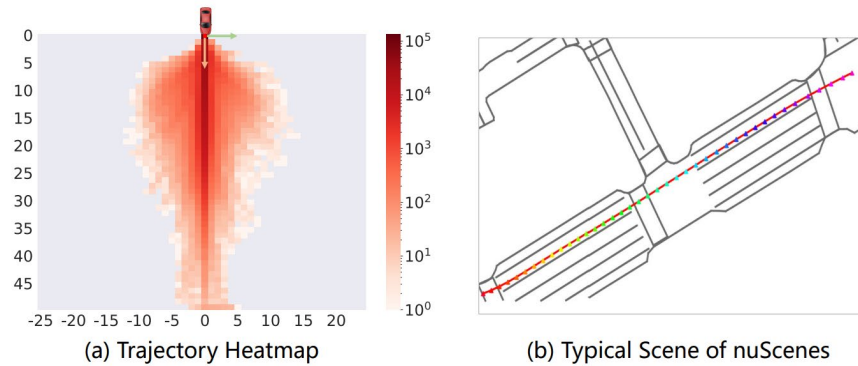
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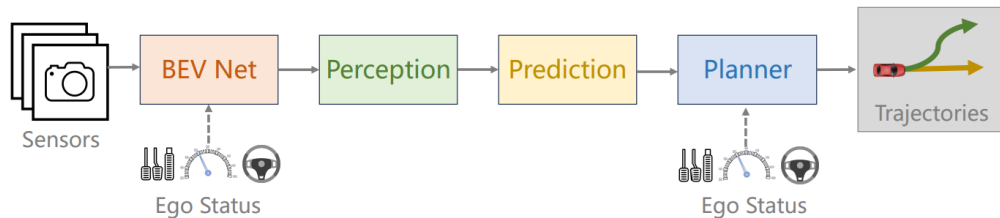


Is Ego Status All You Need for Open-Loop End-to-End Autonomous Driving?

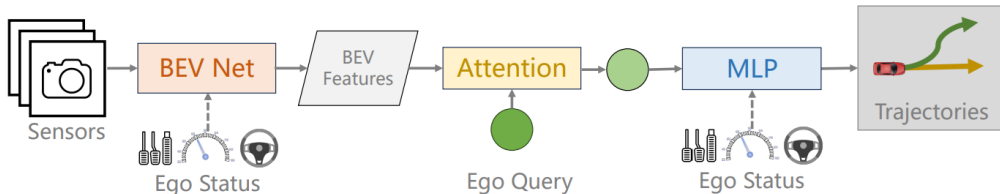


(a.1) Pipeline of AD-MLP

(a.2) Pipeline of Ego-MLP



(b) Commonly Used Pipeline of End-to-End Autonomous Driving Model



(c) Pipeline of Our BEV-Planner

EgoStatus | Experiment

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2312.03031>

ID	Method	Ego Status		L2 (m) ↓				Collision (%) ↓				Intersection (%) ↓				ckpt. source
		in BEV	in Planer	1s	2s	3s	Avg.	1s	2s	3s	Avg.	1s	2s	3s	Avg.	
0	ST-P3	✗	✗	1.59 [†]	2.64 [†]	3.73 [†]	2.65 [†]	0.69 [†]	3.62 [†]	8.39 [†]	4.23 [†]	2.53 [†]	8.17 [†]	14.4 [†]	8.37 [†]	Official
1	UniAD	✗	✗	0.59	1.01	1.48	1.03	0.16	0.51	1.64	0.77	0.35	1.46	3.99	1.93	Reproduce
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4	VAD-Base	✗	✗	0.69	1.22	1.83	1.25	0.06	0.68	2.52	1.09	1.02	3.44	7.00	3.82	Reproduce
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7	GoStright	-	✓	0.38	0.79	1.33	0.83	0.15	0.60	2.50	1.08	2.07	8.09	15.7	8.62	-
8	Ego-MLP	-	✓	0.15	0.32	0.59	0.35	0.00	0.27	0.85	0.37	0.27	2.52	6.60	2.93	-
9	BEV-Planner*	✗	✗	0.27	0.54	0.90	0.57	0.04	0.35	1.80	0.73	0.63	3.38	7.93	3.98	-
10	BEV-Planner	✗	✗	0.30	0.52	0.83	0.55	0.10	0.37	1.30	0.59	0.78	3.79	8.22	4.26	-
11	BEV-Planner+	✓	✗	0.28	0.42	0.68	0.46	0.04	0.37	1.07	0.49	0.70	3.77	8.15	4.21	-
12	BEV-Planner++	✓	✓	0.16	0.32	0.57	0.35	0.00	0.29	0.73	0.34	0.35	2.62	6.51	3.16	-

