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# RecursiveMix: Mixed Learning with History

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# Background



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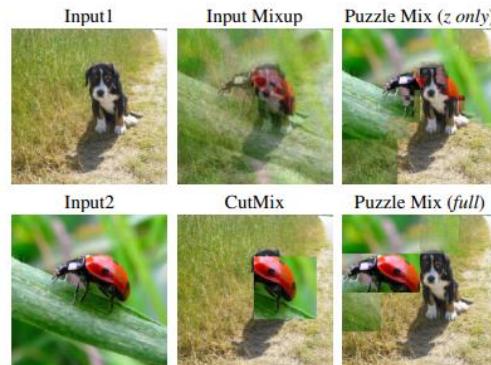
Mixup, ICLR 2018



CutMix, ICCV 2019



FMIX, Arxiv 2020



Puzzle Mix, ICML 2020



StyleMix, CVPR 2021

## Mixed Sample Data Augmentation

$$x_{\text{mix}} = \text{mix}_{\lambda}(x_1, x_2)$$

$$y_{\text{mix}} = \text{mix}_{\lambda}(y_1, y_2)$$

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## Existing Works (Mixup, CutMix...)

Iter 1



Iter 2



Input

## Ours

Iter 1



Iter 2



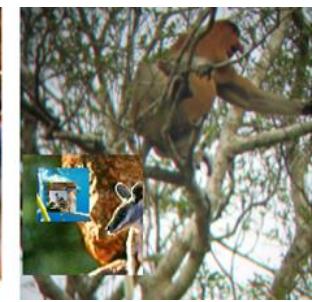
Iter 3



Iter 4



Iter 5



**prediction consistency**

No historical knowledge

Utilize historical knowledge

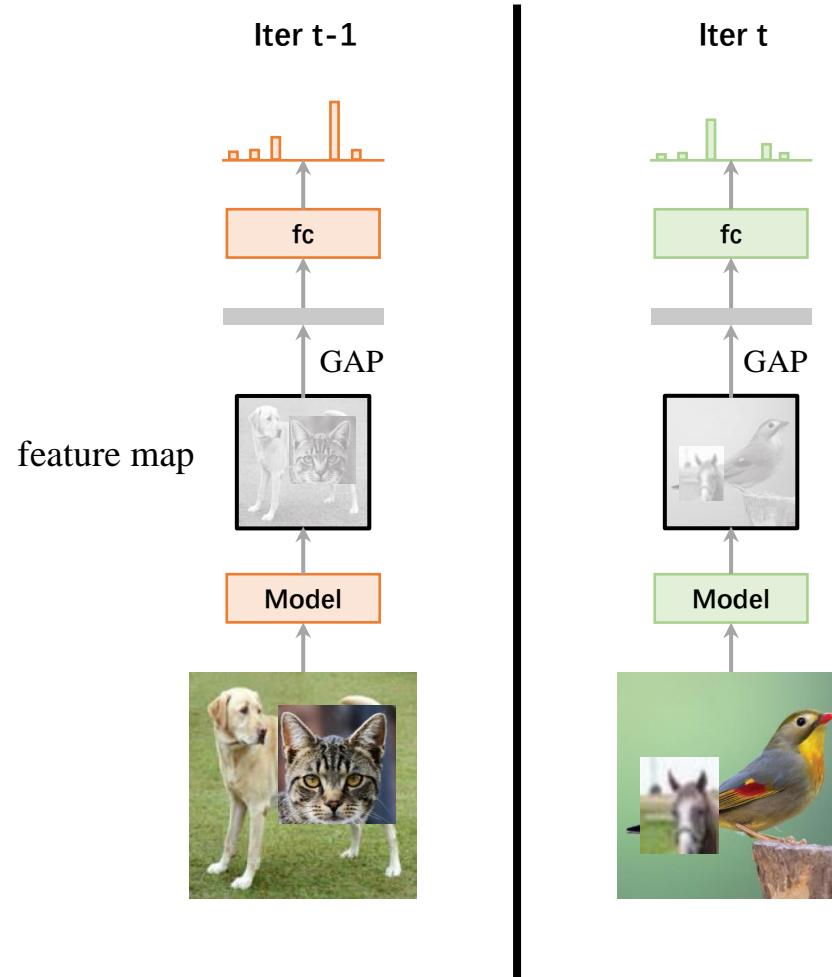
# Method



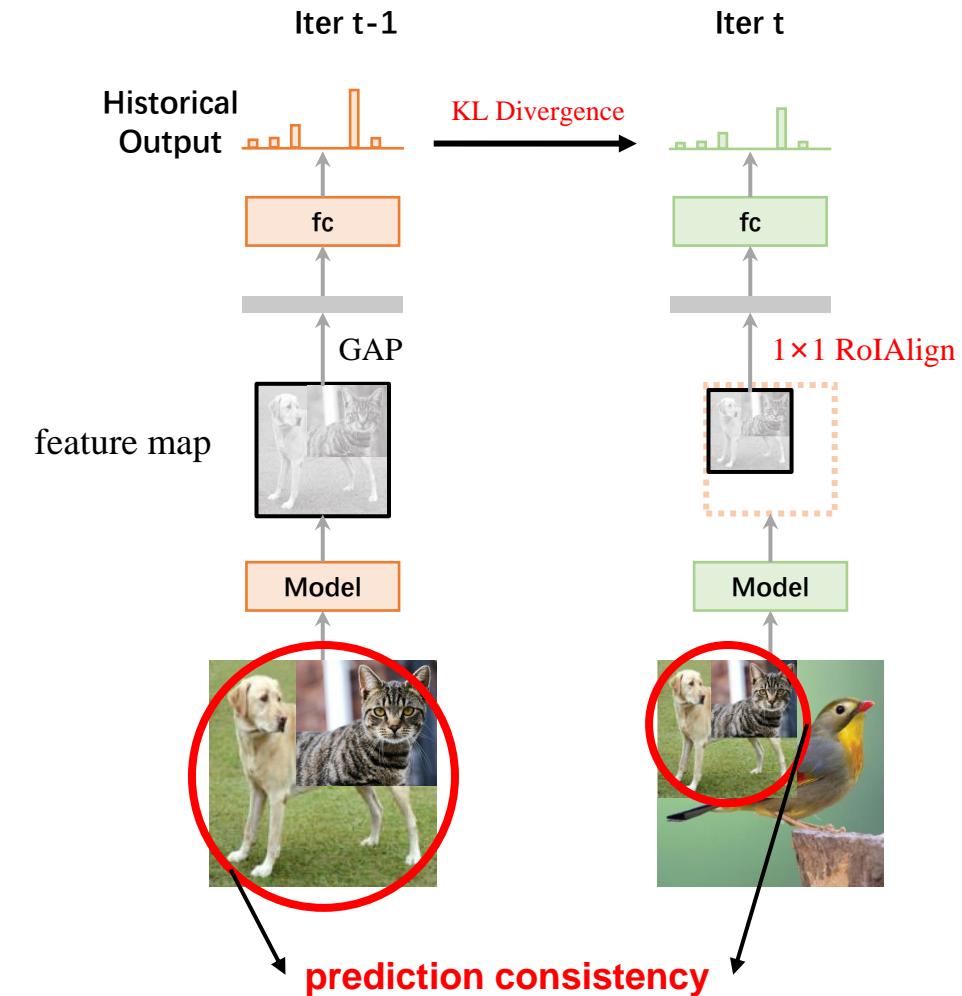
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## Existing Works (Mixup, CutMix...)



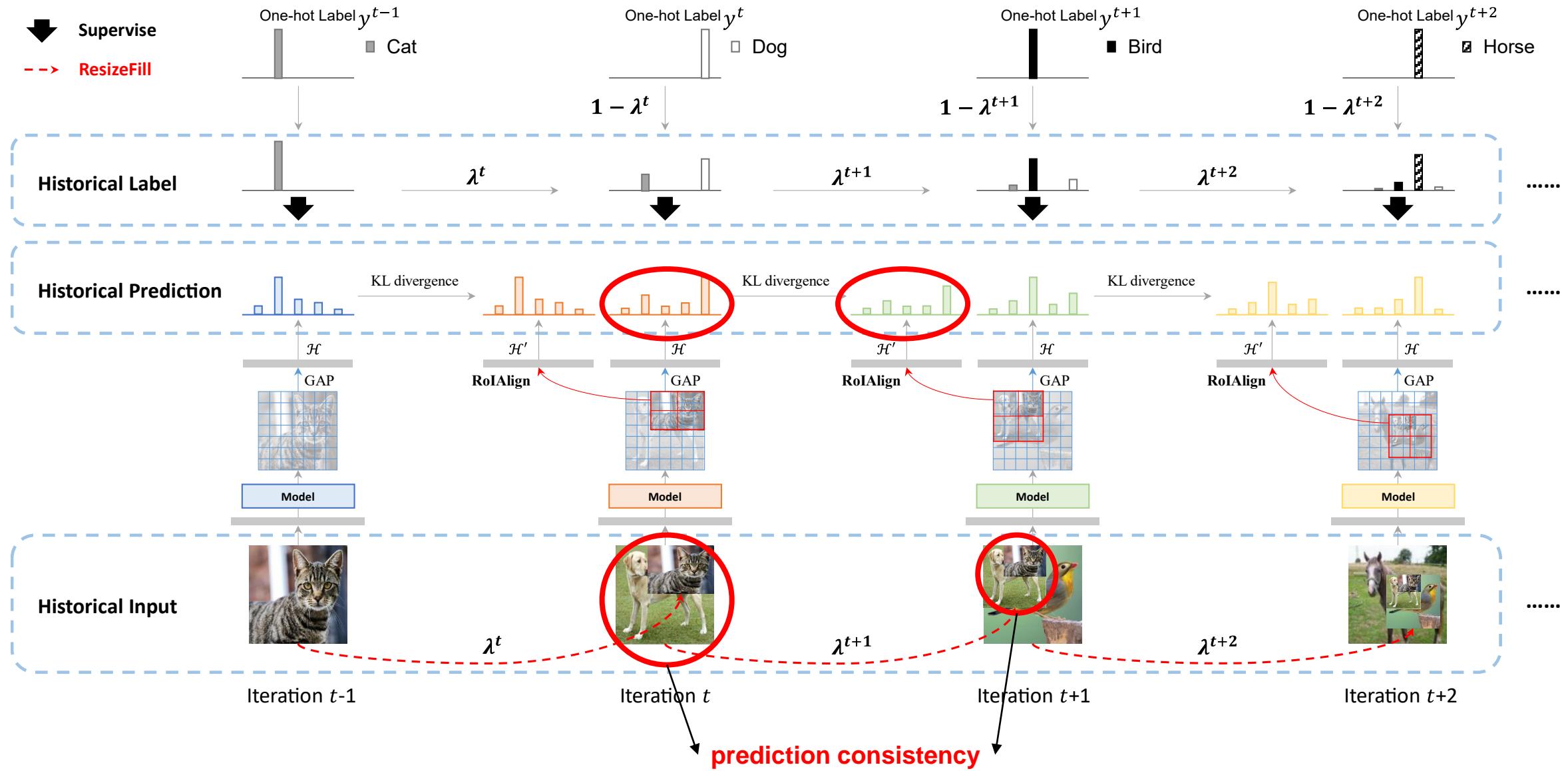
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# Method

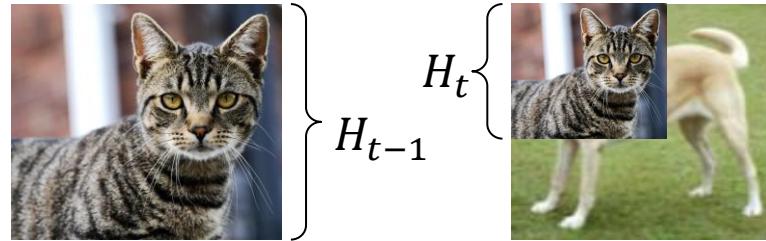


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# Method

Resize and paste



$$\lambda = \text{Uniform}(0, \alpha)$$

$$H_t = \sqrt{\lambda} \cdot H_{t-1}$$

Criterion

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{CE}(\tilde{x}^t, \tilde{y}^t) + \omega \lambda^t \mathcal{L}_{KL}(\tilde{p}_{roi}^t, p^h)$$



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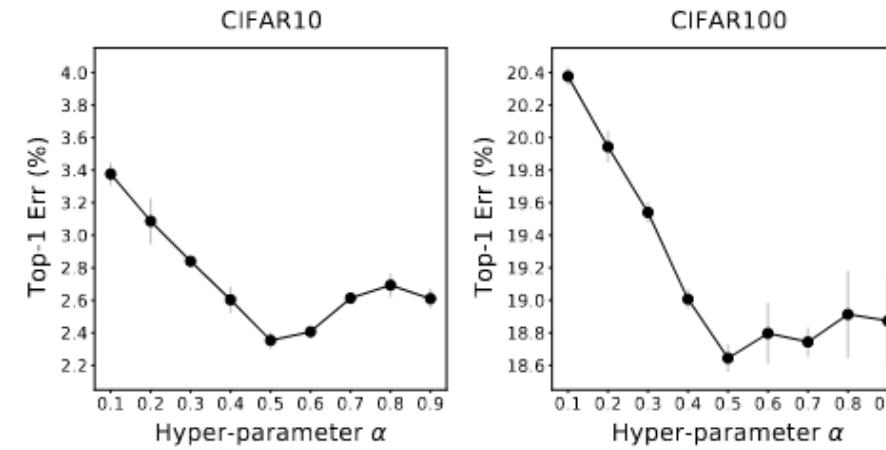


Figure: Ablation study on  $\alpha$ .

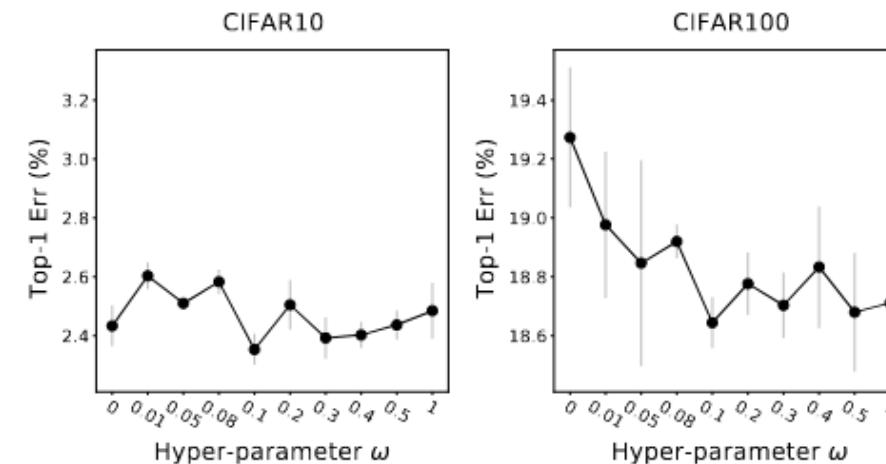


Figure: Ablation study on  $\omega$ .

# Analysis



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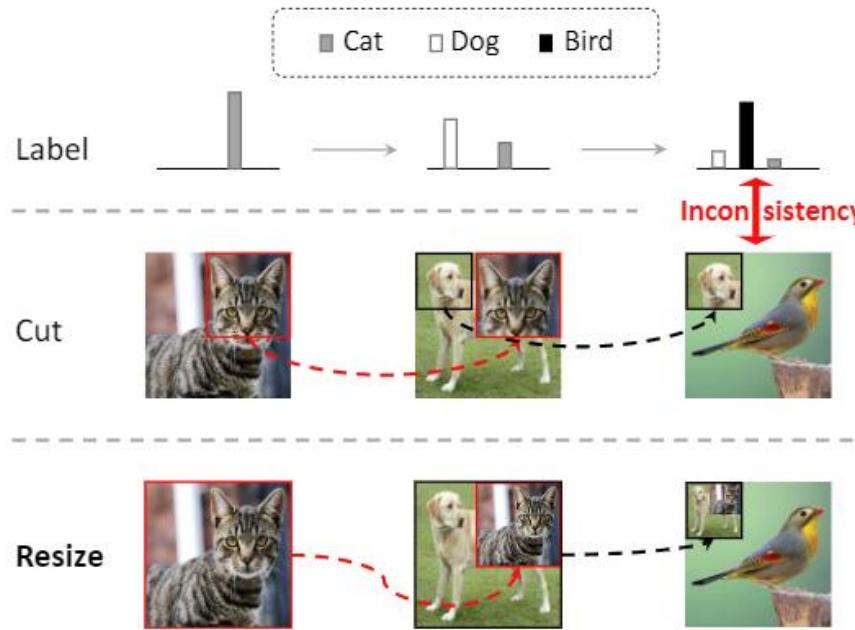
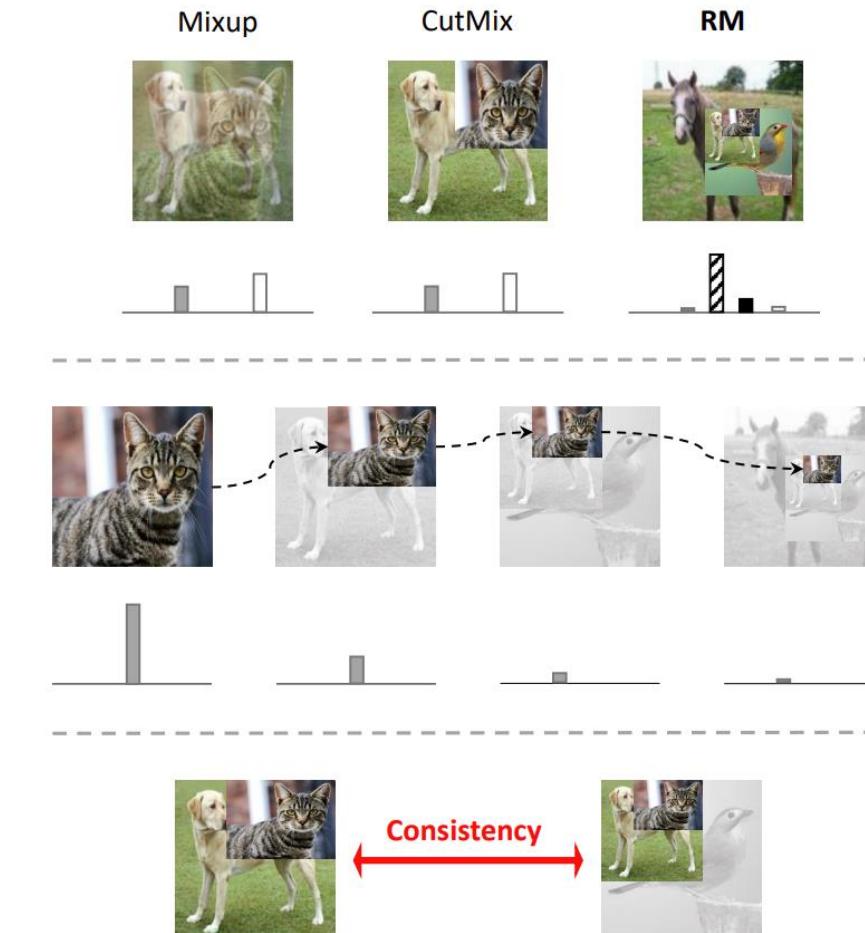


Figure: “Cut” may lead to inconsistency while  
“Resize” concretely preserve the consistency.



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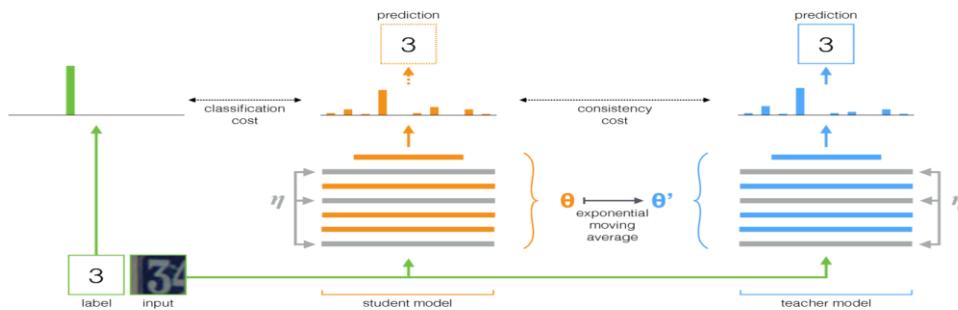


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## Existing Contrastive Learning Methods

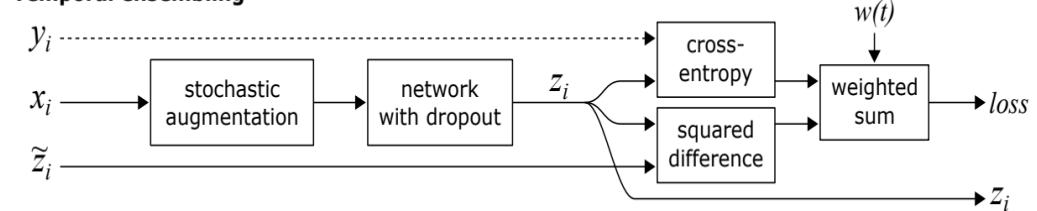
Additional computation cost



Mean teachers, NeurIPS 2017

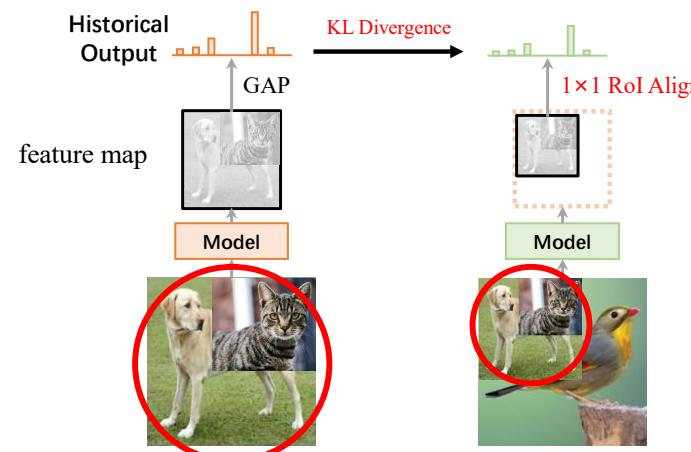
Consume large memory

### Temporal ensembling



Temporal Ensemble , ICLR 2017

## Ours



The additional computation/memory cost is negligible

ResNet-50 (300 epochs)	Memory	Flops	#P (deploy)	Top-1 Err (%)
Baseline	5.74 G	4.12 G	25.56 M	23.68
+ Mixup	5.74 G	4.12 G	25.56 M	22.58
+ CutMix	5.74 G	4.12 G	25.56 M	21.40
+ RM (ours)	5.74 G	4.12 G	25.56 M	<b>20.80</b>

# Ablation Study



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## Classification

Model	RS	HS	CL	Top-1 Err (%)
PyramidNet	—	—	—	16.67
+CutMix [1]				15.59
	✓			15.36
+RM (ours)	✓	✓		14.81
	✓	✓	✓	<b>14.65</b>

Table: “RS”: Resize strategy. “HS”: Historical mix.  
“CL”: Consistency loss.

## Downstream

Detector	CL	AP	AP <sub>50</sub>	AP <sub>75</sub>
ATSS [2]	✓	41.1	59.4	44.5
		<b>41.5</b>	<b>59.9</b>	<b>45.1</b>
GFL [3]	✓	41.4	59.4	44.9
		<b>41.9</b>	<b>60.2</b>	<b>45.6</b>

Table: Object detection

Segmentor	CL	mIoU	mAcc	aAcc
PSPNet [4]	✓	41.09	51.72	79.99
		<b>41.73</b>	<b>52.47</b>	<b>80.01</b>
UperNet [5]	✓	41.88	<b>52.79</b>	79.94
		<b>42.30</b>	52.61	<b>80.14</b>

Table: Semantic segmentation

[1] Cutmix: Regularization strategy to train strong classifiers with localizable features. Yun S et al. ICCV 2019

[2] Bridging the gap between anchor-based and anchor-free detection via adaptive training sample selection, Zhang S et al. CVPR 2020

[3] Generalized focal loss: Learning qualified and distributed bounding boxes for dense object detection, Li X et al. NeurIPS 2020

[4] Pyramid scene parsing network, Zhao H et al. CVPR 2017

[5] Unified perceptual parsing for scene understanding, Xiao T et al. ECCV 2018.

# Results

## CIFAR10

PyramidNet-200 (300 epochs)	Top-1 Err (%)
Baseline	3.85
+ Label Smoothing	3.74
+ DropBlock	3.27
+ Stochastic Depth	3.11
+ Cutout	3.10
+ Mixup ( $\alpha=1.0$ )	3.09
+ Manifold Mixup ( $\alpha=1.0$ )	3.15
+ CutMix	2.88
+ MoEx	3.44
+ StyleCutMix (auto- $\gamma$ )	2.55
+ RM (ours)	<b>2.35</b>

## CIFAR100

Model (200 epochs)	Type	Top-1 Err (%)
ResNet-18	Baseline	21.70
	+ Mixup	20.99
	+ CutMix	19.61
	+ RM (ours)	<b>18.64</b>
ResNet-34	Baseline	20.62
	+ Mixup	19.19
	+ CutMix	17.89
	+ RM (ours)	<b>17.15</b>
DenseNet-121	Baseline	19.51
	+ Mixup	17.71
	+ CutMix	17.21
	+ RM (ours)	<b>16.22</b>
DenseNet-161	Baseline	18.78
	+ Mixup	16.84
	+ CutMix	16.64
	+ RM (ours)	<b>15.54</b>
PyramidNet-164	Baseline	16.67
	+ Mixup	16.02
	+ CutMix	15.59
	+ RM (ours)	<b>14.65</b>



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## ImageNet

ResNet-50 (300 epochs)	Top-1 Err (%)	Top-5 Err (%)
Baseline	23.68	7.05
+ Cutout	22.93	6.66
+ Stochastic Depth	22.46	6.27
+ Mixup	22.58	6.40
+ Manifold Mixup	22.50	6.21
+ DropBlock	21.87	5.98
+ Feature CutMix	21.80	6.06
+ CutMix	21.40	5.92
+ PuzzleMix	21.24	5.71
+ MoEx	21.90	6.10
+ CutMix + MoEx	20.90	5.70
+ RM (ours)	<b>20.80</b>	<b>5.42</b>

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## Object detection

Detector	Pretrain Backbone	AP	AP <sub>50</sub>	AP <sub>75</sub>
ATSS	ResNet-50	39.4	57.6	42.8
	+ CutMix	40.1	58.4	43.4
	+ RM (ours)	<b>41.5</b>	<b>59.9</b>	<b>45.1</b>
	PVTv2-B1	39.3	57.2	42.5
	+ CutMix	41.8	60.3	45.5
	+ RM (ours)	<b>42.3</b>	<b>61.0</b>	<b>45.6</b>
GFL	ResNet-50	40.2	58.4	43.3
	+ CutMix	41.3	59.5	44.6
	+ RM (ours)	<b>41.9</b>	<b>60.2</b>	<b>45.6</b>
	PVTv2-B1	40.2	58.1	43.2
	+ CutMix	42.1	60.7	45.5
	+ RM (ours)	<b>43.0</b>	<b>61.6</b>	<b>46.5</b>

## Semantic segmentation

Segmentor	Pretrain Backbone	mIoU	mAcc	aAcc
PSPNet	ResNet-50	40.90	51.11	79.52
	+ CutMix	40.96	51.16	79.93
	+ RM (ours)	<b>41.73</b>	<b>52.47</b>	<b>80.01</b>
	PVTv2-B1	36.48	46.26	76.79
	+ CutMix	37.99	48.70	77.50
	+ RM (ours)	<b>38.67</b>	<b>49.40</b>	<b>77.93</b>
UperNet	ResNet-50	40.40	51.00	79.54
	+ CutMix	41.24	51.79	79.69
	+ RM (ours)	<b>42.30</b>	<b>52.61</b>	<b>80.14</b>
	PVTv2-B1	39.94	50.75	79.02
	+ CutMix	41.73	52.99	80.02
	+ RM (ours)	<b>43.26</b>	<b>54.21</b>	<b>80.36</b>

# Results

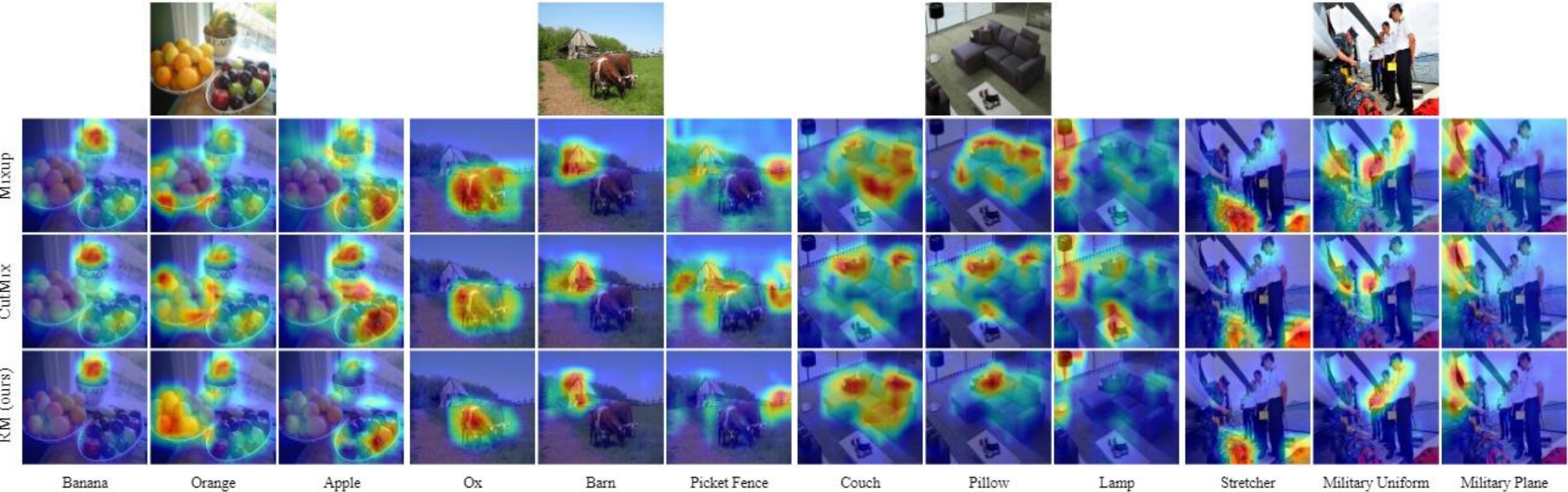


Figure: CAM visualization on natural samples with multiple labels.



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- We propose recursive mix (RM) data augmentation, which constructs training pairs with identical inputs to learn spatial semantic consistency using historical prediction knowledge.
- RM shows better performance on image classification as well as various downstream tasks.

# Thank you!

Codes and pretrained models are available at  
<https://github.com/implus/RecursiveMix>