### Audiovisual Self-Supervised Learning for Remote Sensing Data

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- Use Audiovisual SSL as pretraining for other tasks



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- ADVANCE [2] Small (~5,000 samples)





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- Download Aporee audio and convert to log-mel spectrograms
- Pair spectrograms with corresponding Google Earth imagery



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#### **Spatial Distribution**





#### SoundingEarth Dataset Overview

#### Per Sample

- Raw Audio (mp3)
- Log-mel Spectrogram ( $128 \times T$ )
- Google Earth Imagery ( $1024 \times 1024 \times 3$ )

#### Dataset

- 50,545 samples
- ~3500 hours of audio.



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 $\rightarrow$  Choose ResNets as prototypes for  $\mathit{f}_{\mathrm{image}}$  and  $\mathit{f}_{\mathrm{audio}}.$ 



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#### **Data Augmentation**

- Imagery: Flips, Rotations, Crops
- Spectrograms: Temporal Crops





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#### **Training Steps**

- Forward Pass: Calculate Embeddings
- Calculate Loss
- = Backpropagate to update  $f_{\mathrm{image}}$  and  $f_{\mathrm{audio}}$





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#### Loss Function

- Pull corresponding embeddings together
- Push other embeddings apart
- Evaluate multiple loss functions





#### **Loss Function**

#### **SSL Loss Functions**

• Triplet Loss:  $L_{\text{triplet}} = \max \{ d_{\text{false}} - d_{\text{true}} + 1, 0 \}$ • Contrastive Loss:  $L_{\text{contrastive}} = \frac{\exp(\sin(z_i, z_j)/\tau)}{\sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^{2N} \exp(\sin(z_i, z_k)/\tau)}$ 



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#### Observations

- Contrastive Loss requires large batch sizes to work well
- Triplet Loss is "wasteful"
- Implement batch-all Triplet Loss





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Positive Pairs Negative Pairs



#### **Downstream: Aerial Image Classification**

#### Experiment

- Compare different pre-training methods
- Fine-tune on different datasets
- Architecture: Add classification head (FC Layer) to ResNet-50 backbones
- Just using imagery, no audio











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#### **Downstream: Aerial Image Segmentation**

#### Experiment

- Different Application: Image Segmentation
- Fine-tune DeepLabv3+ with pre-trained ResNet-50 backbones
- Dataset: DeepGlobe 2018 [6]
- Just using imagery, no audio



	ResNet-18		ResN	let-50
Weights	OA	mloU	OA	mloU
Random				
ImageNet				
Tile2Vec [7]				
Contrastive [8]				
SimCLR [8]				
MoCo [9]				
AudioVisual				



	ResN	et-18	ResNet-50		
Weights	OA	mloU	OA	mloU	
Random	81.09	55.38	80.81	54.42	
ImageNet	83.27	61.95	82.27	59.31	
Tile2Vec [7]	80.50	56.93			
Contrastive [8]	85.25	64.85	86.06	68.46	
SimCLR [8]	85.65	66.15	83.80	63.97	
MoCo [9]	84.79	65.28	85.07	66.17	
AudioVisual	86.11	67.07	86.58	67.87	











#### Downstream: Audiovisual Scene Classification

#### Experiment

- ADVANCE Dataset [2]: Audiovisual dataset with scene labels
- Linear Evaluation Protocol
- Compare against supervised baseline



Data Used	Audio $F_1$	$Image\;F_1$	$Audio + Image \; F_1$
Supervised Baseline [2] Ours (ResNet-18) Ours (ResNet-50)			



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## Dataset / Code / Pre-trained Models https://github.com/khdlr/SoundingEarth



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## Backup Slides



#### **Loss Function Ablation**

		Naive TL		Contrastive Loss		Batch-all TL	
Benchmark	Metric	RN-18	RN-50	RN-18	RN-50	RN-18	RN-50
UC Merced Land Use [3]	Acc.	5.14	77.43	86.48	88.19	90.19	89.71
NWPU-RESISC45 [4]	Acc.	76.11	72.15	80.65	82.41	81.71	84.88
AID [5]	Acc.	78.70	75.64	77.18	81.08	81.78	84.44
DeepGlobe Land Cover [6]	Acc.	83.96	85.40	80.72	85.96	86.11	86.58
	mloU	63.14	65.18	57.26	67.28	67.07	67.87
ADVANCE [2]	$F_1$	88.51	87.61	79.42	80.84	89.46	88.83

