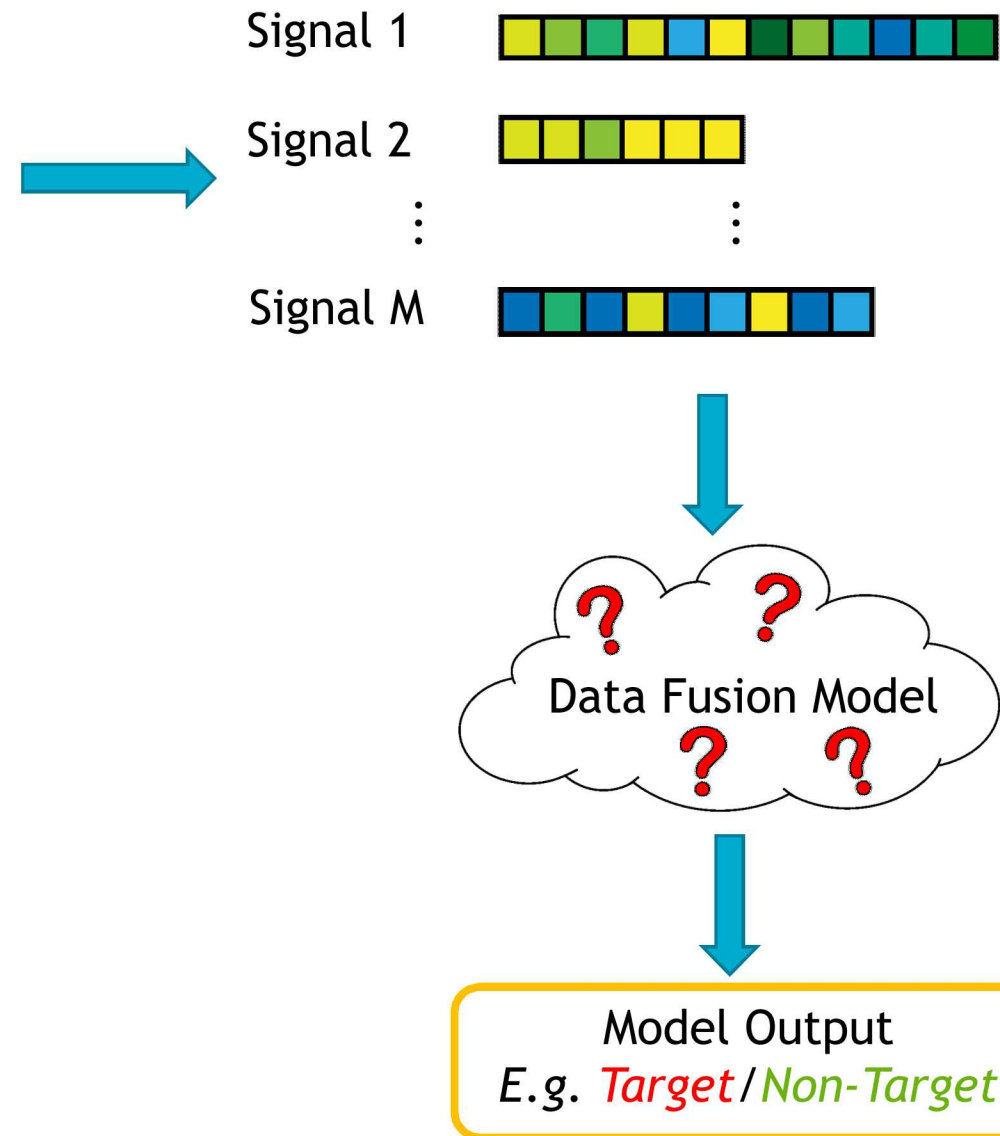
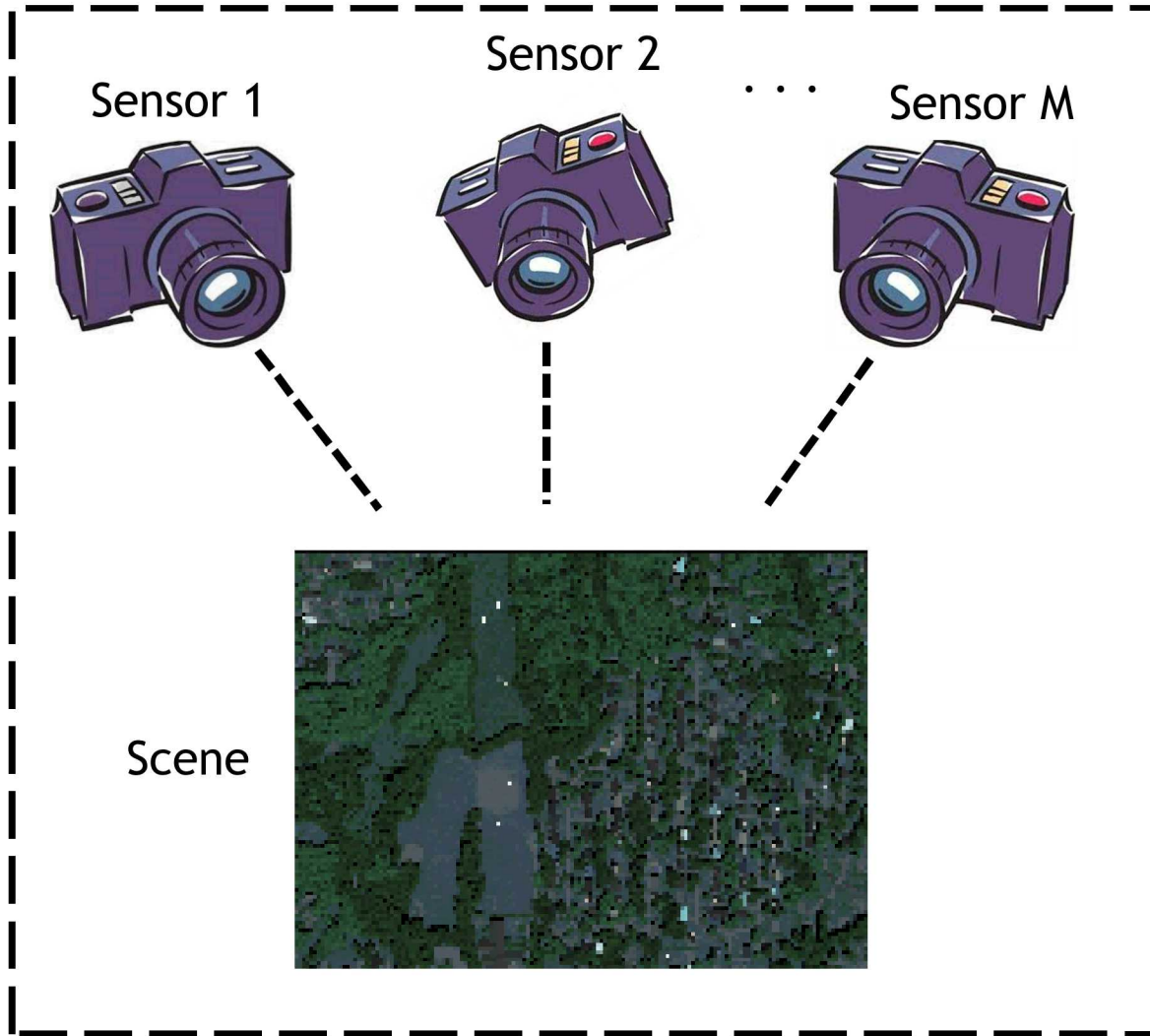


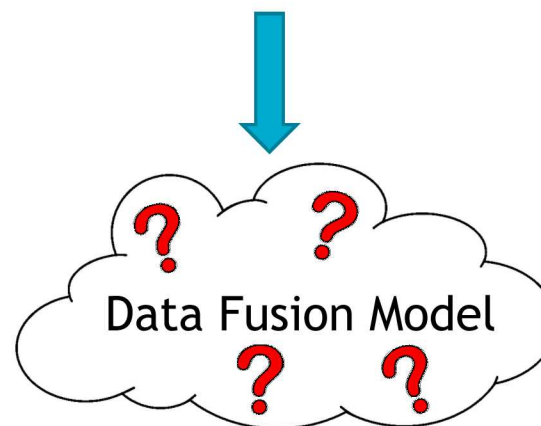
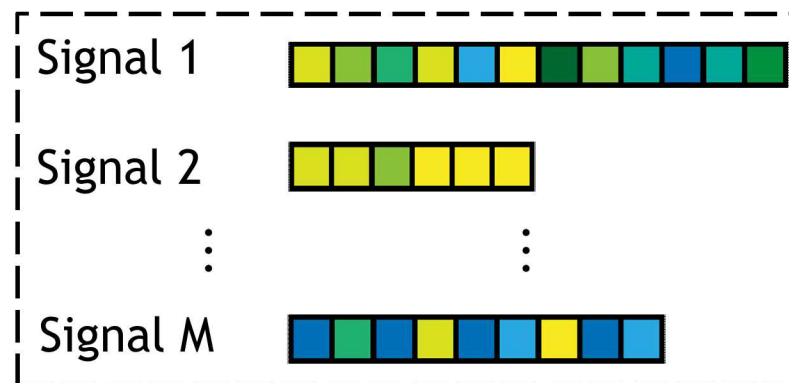
Multimodal Data Fusion Via Entropy Minimization



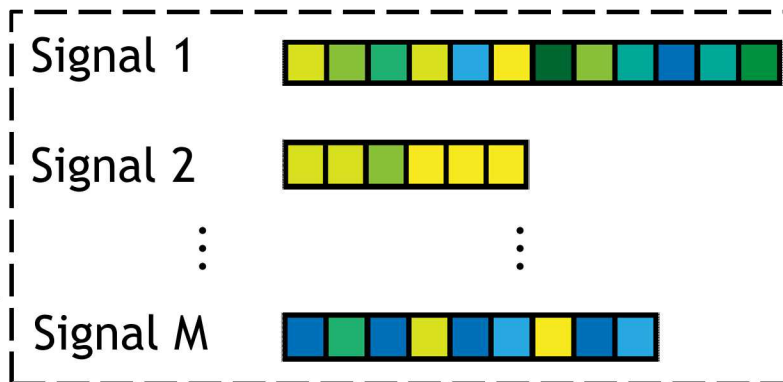
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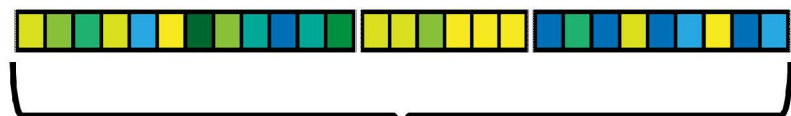


Competing Data Fusion Models



Fused Model Input (FMI)

- Concatenate Inputs



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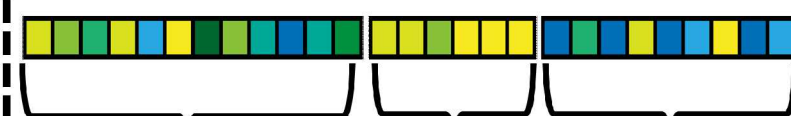


Co-information sharing

Unable to handle missing data

Fused Model Output (FMO)

- Train Ind. Models, Fuse outputs



Model 1



Model 2



Model M



Decision Fusion



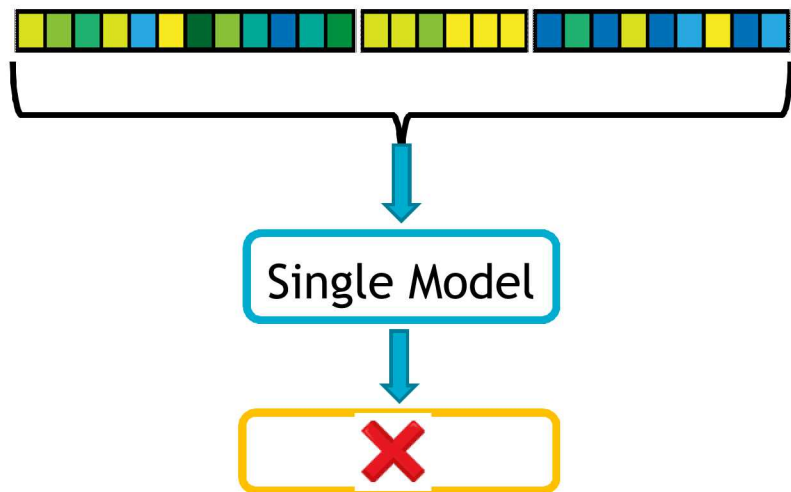
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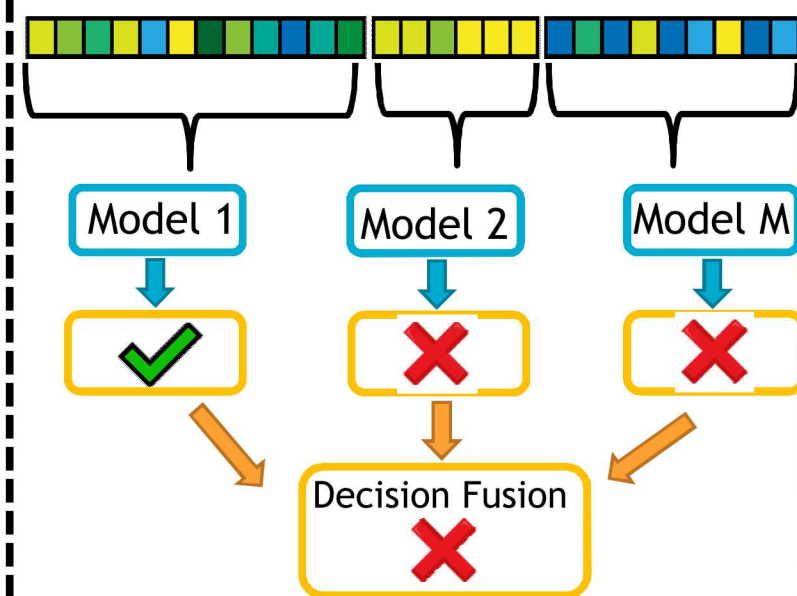


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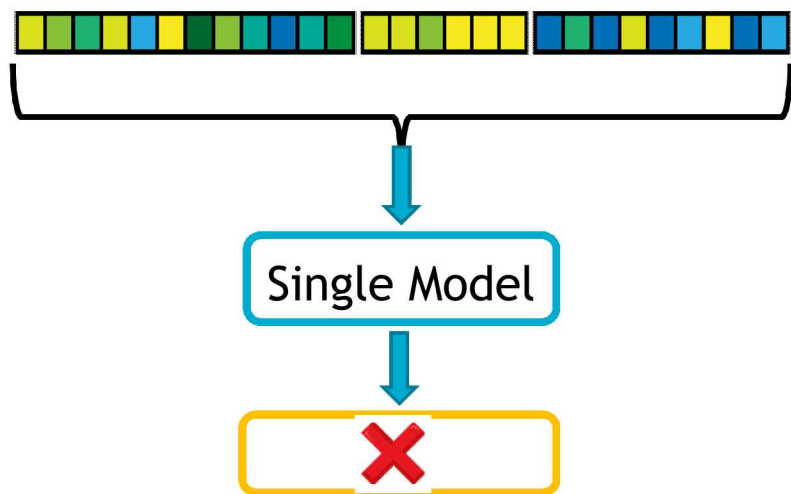
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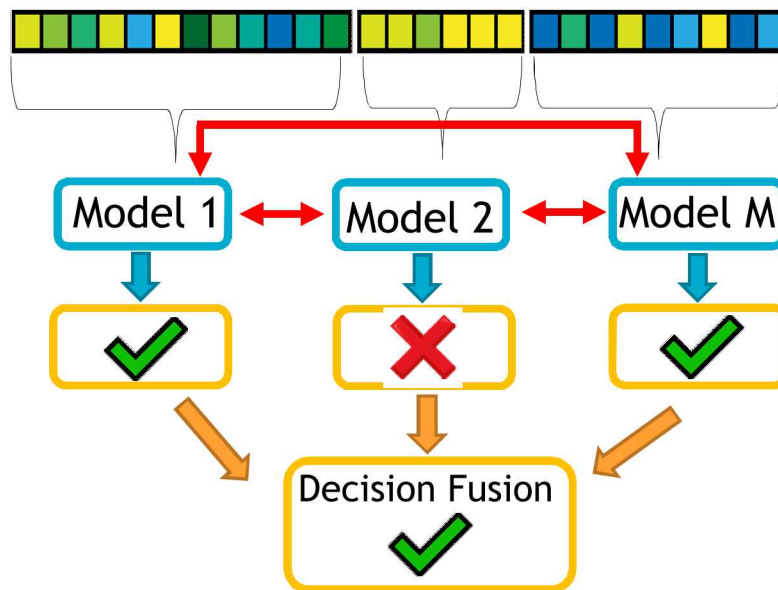


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Entropy Minimization (EMIN)

- Train Ind. Models, Fuse outputs

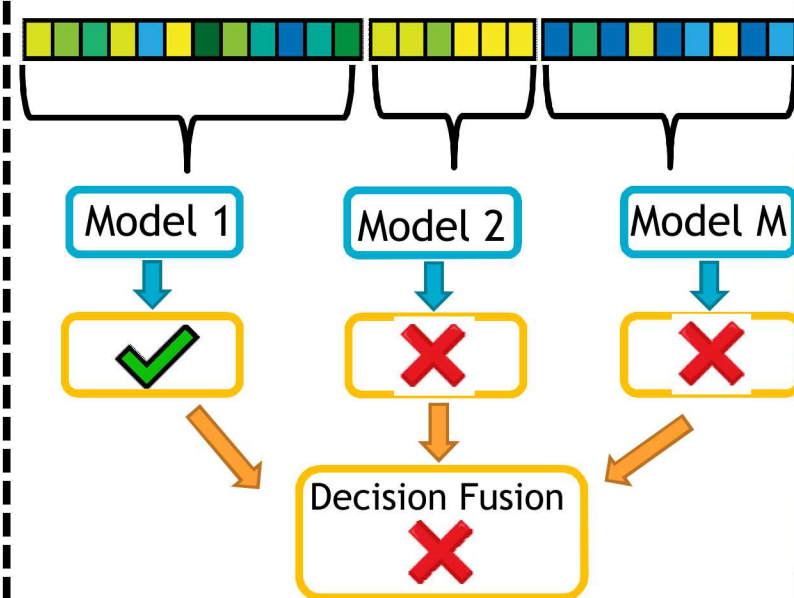


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Fused Model Output (FMO)

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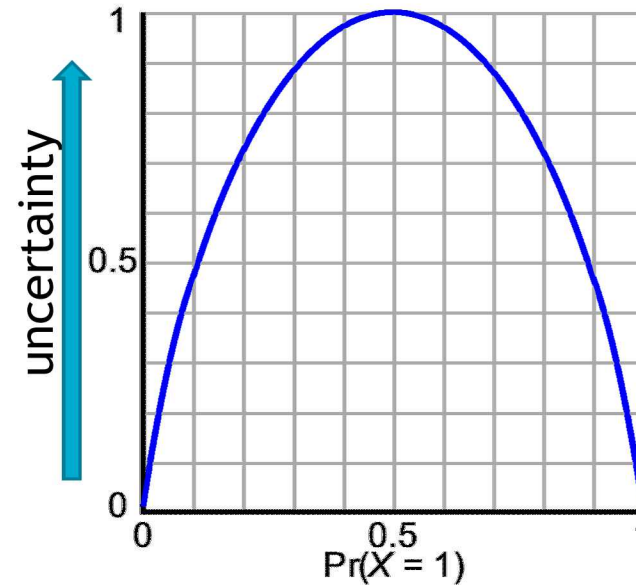
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7 Entropy Minimization

- Entropy is a measure of the ‘uncertainty’ in a random variable

$$H(\mathbf{X}) = - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{C}} p_i \log(p_i)$$



- Link individual models together during training by minimizing the entropy of their outputs for a given input

$$p(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\sum_{m \in [M]} p(y|x^m)}{M}$$

Use Entropy of the averaged distribution as a conjugate loss term

$$\mathcal{L}(y, \hat{y}) = \left(\sum_{m \in [M]} \text{CE}(y, \hat{y}_m) \right) + \gamma H(\mathbf{X})$$

Megascene Testbed

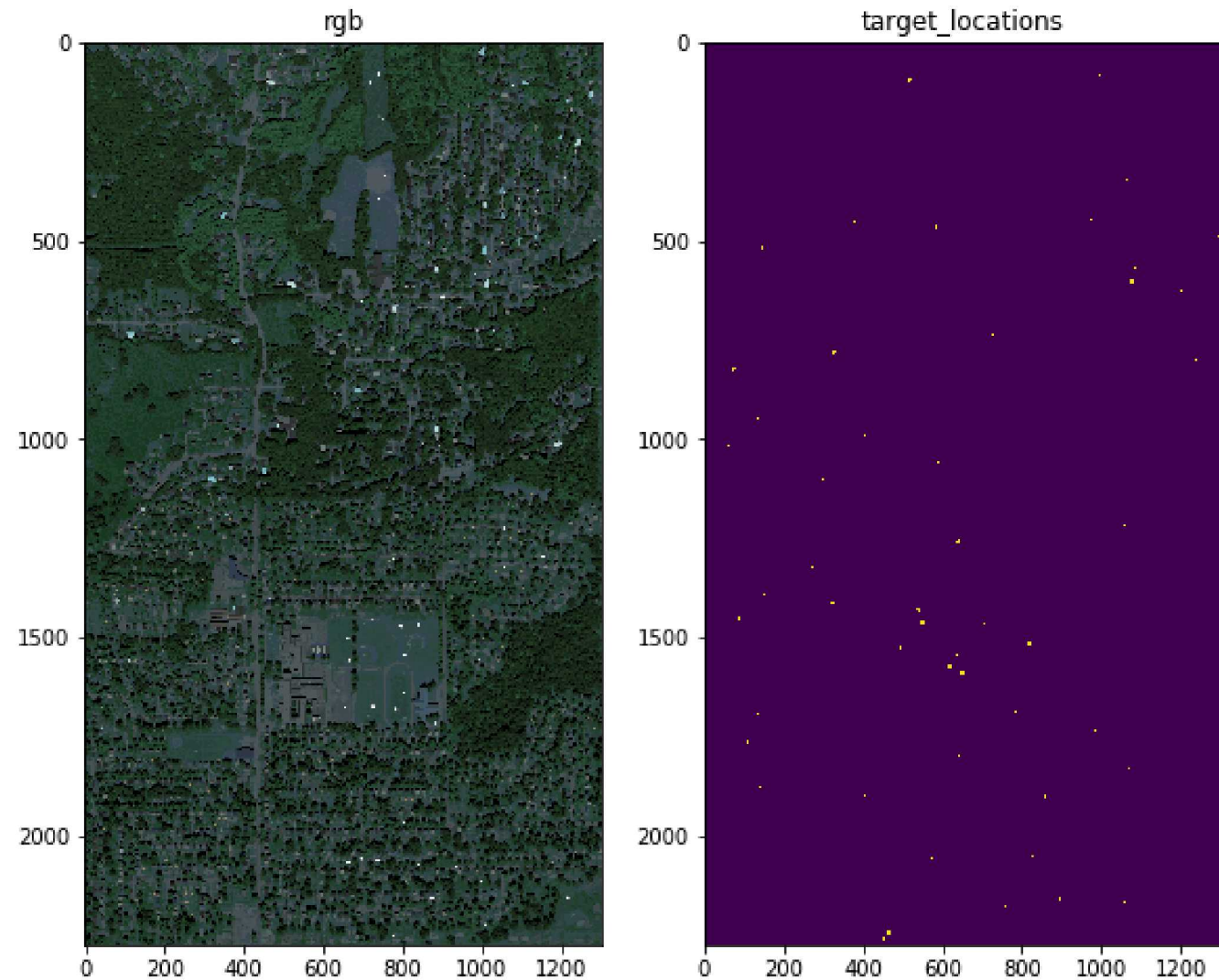
Large simulated hyperspectral scene using DIRSIG model

2 Sensors with 'varying' spectral resolutions

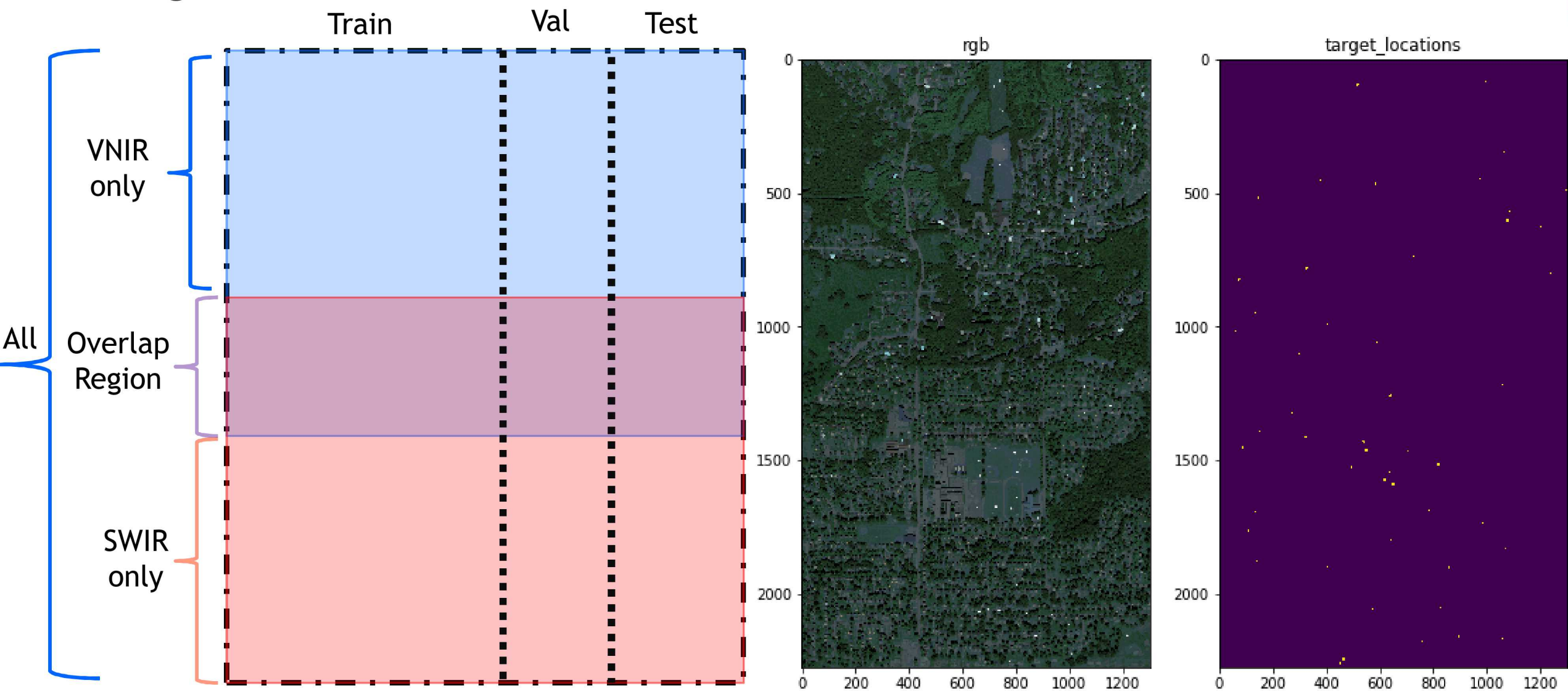
- AVIRIS-like sensor synthetically split
- Very Near InfraRed (VNIR)
 - 0.4-0.9 μm 10nm resolution
- Short Wave InfraRed (SWIR)
 - 0.9-2.5 μm 10 nm resolution

Green Discs inserted as targets

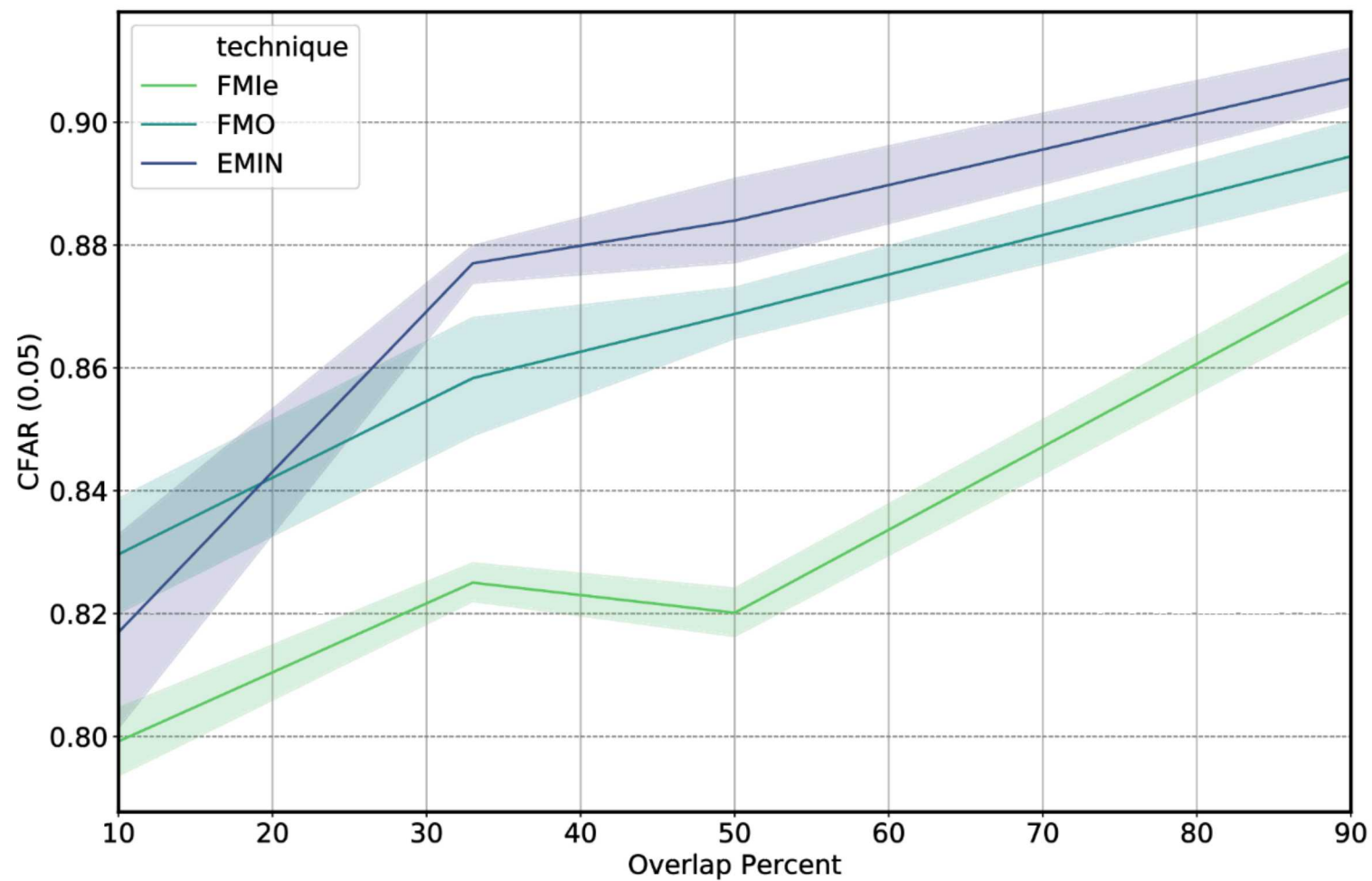
- ~3.5 million pixels
- <.1% targets



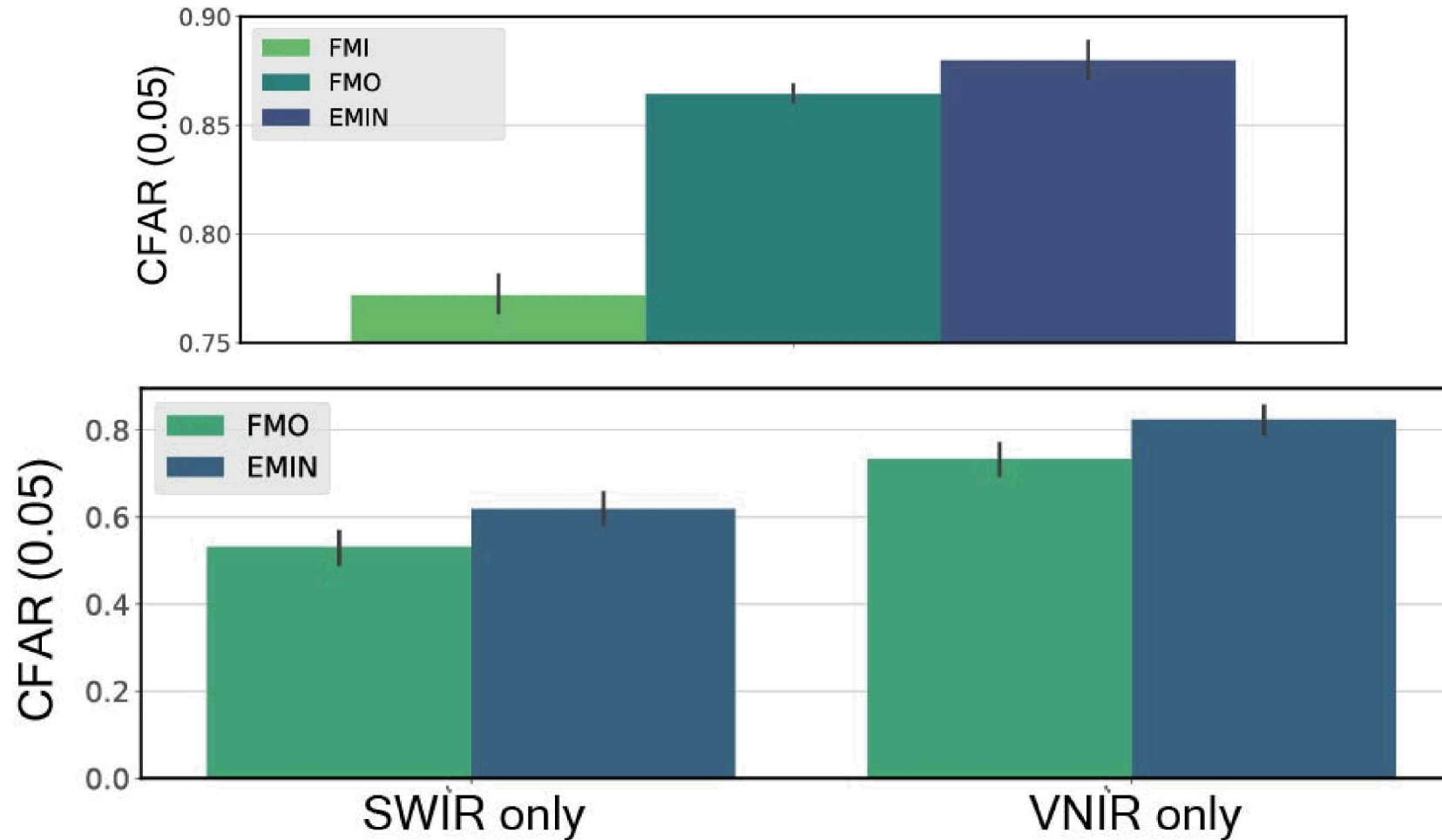
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EMIN performance W.R.T. Data Availability

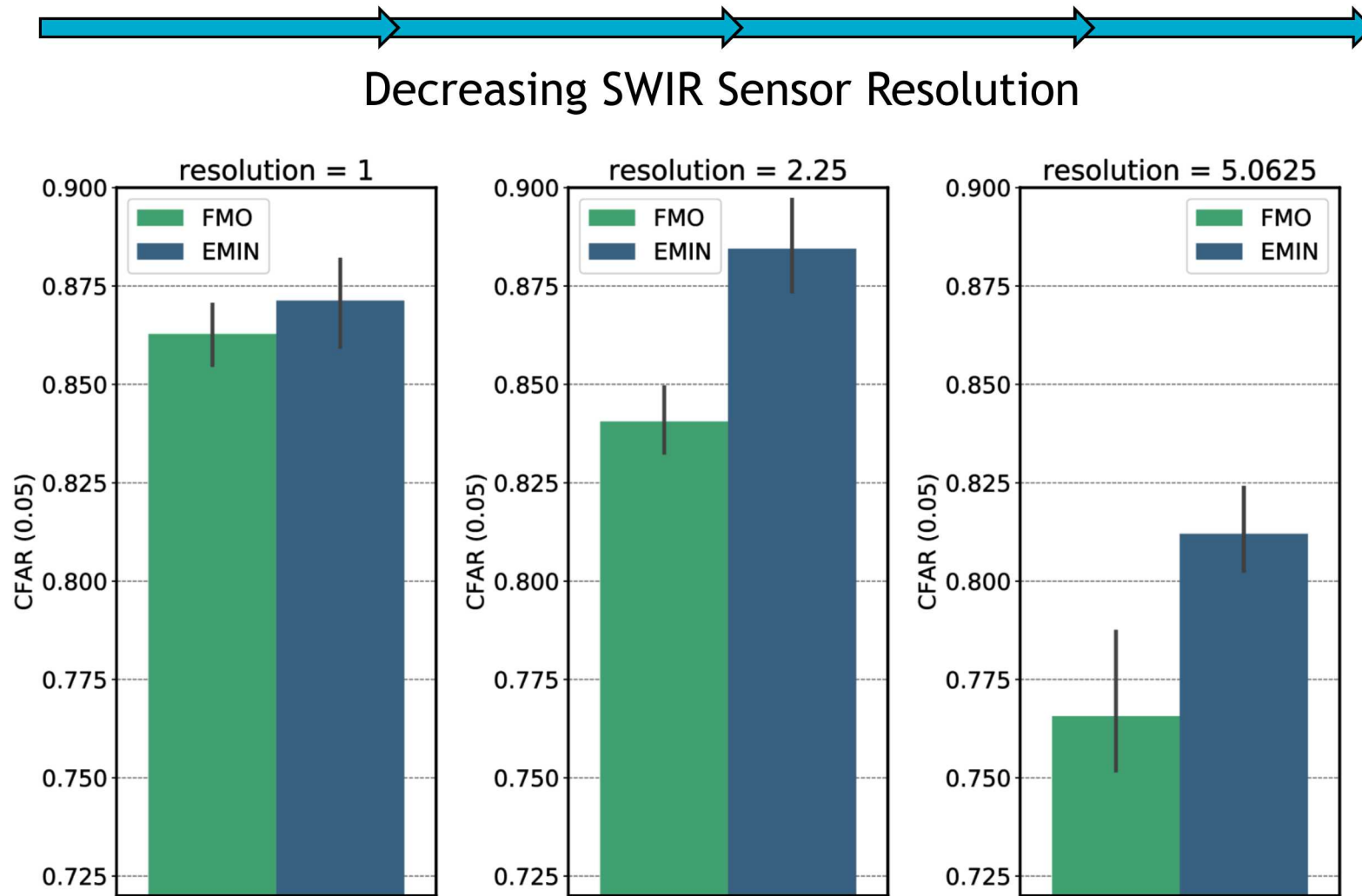


EMIN performance W.R.T. Data Availability



EMIN shows increases in performance for individual models

EMIN Performance W.R.T. Sensor Resolution



Performance increase from EMIN becomes larger
with more realistic operating conditions



- We outline a new method for multimodal data fusion based on minimizing entropy
 - Method is flexible to any model with a gradient based update scheme
 - Hypothesize co-information sharing allows for higher performing individual models
- Using a synthetic target detection dataset, EMIN outperforms FMO and FMI while maintaining flexible inference
- Next steps:
 - More extensive characterization of EMIN effects
 - Real world datasets
 - Sensor networks of scale