

# Iterative and Adaptive Sampling with Spatial Attention for Black-Box Model Explanations



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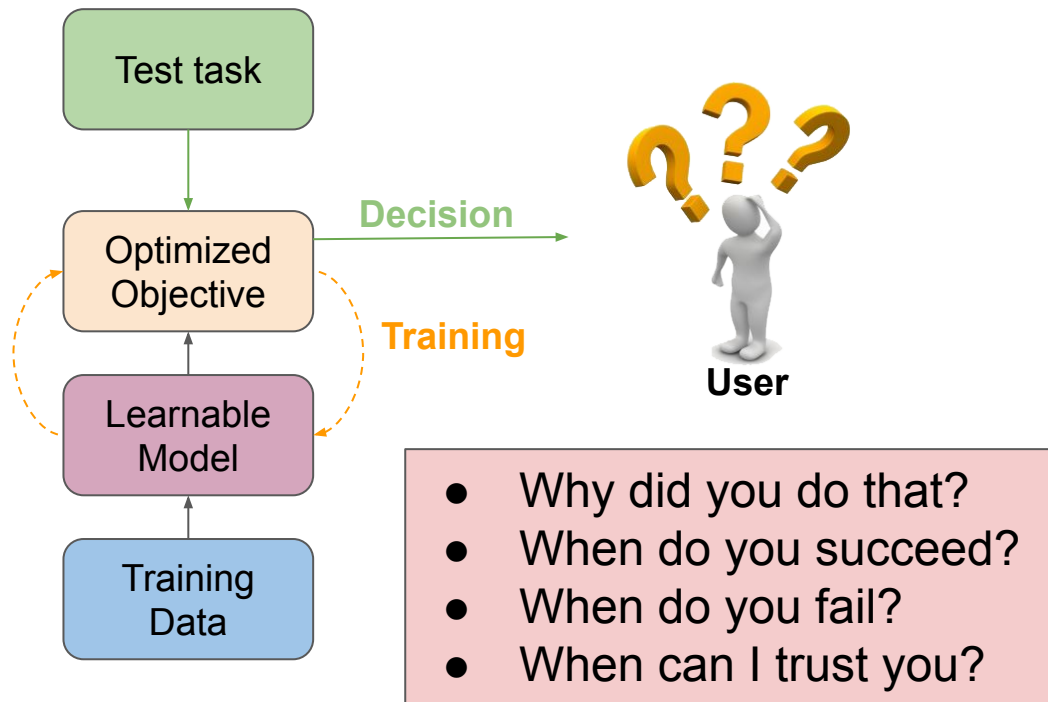
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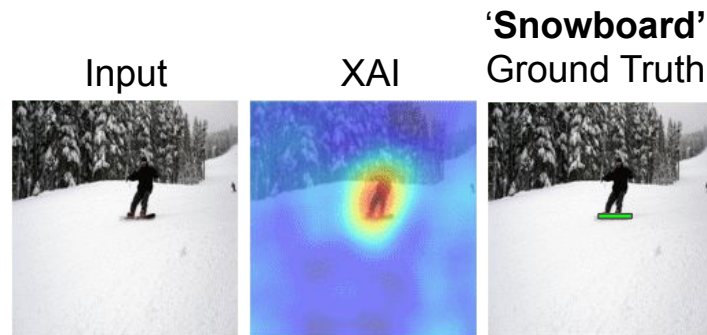
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# Explainable AI - Overview



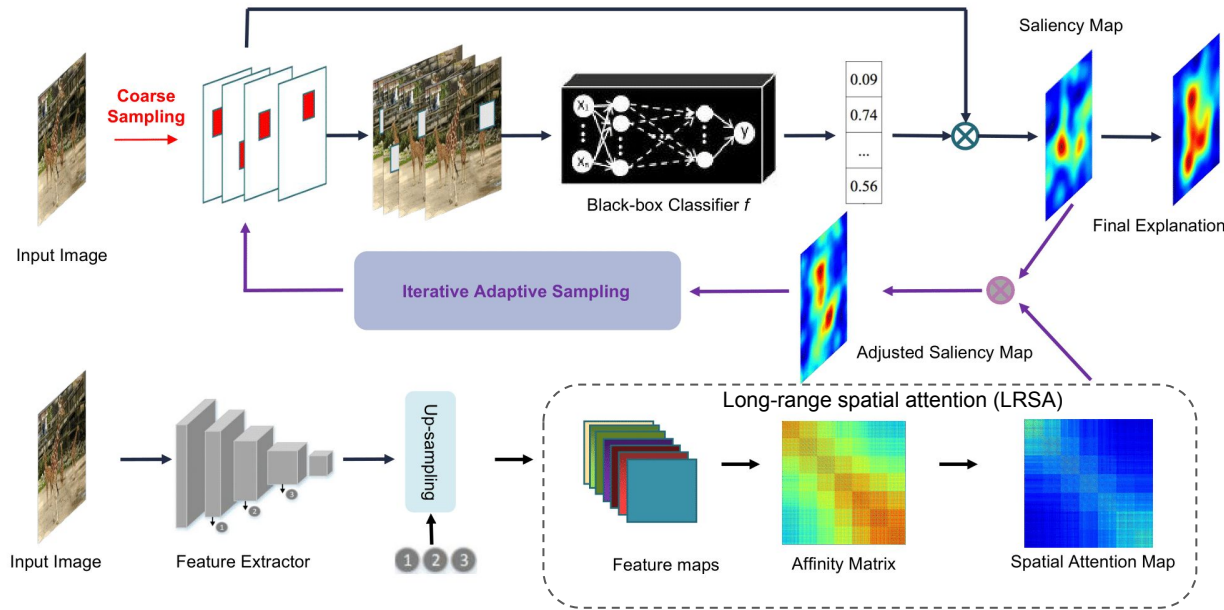
## Ambiguity in XAI



**User:** “Are the legs important?!”

“What the model thinks as important is not necessarily what the user thinks as important.”

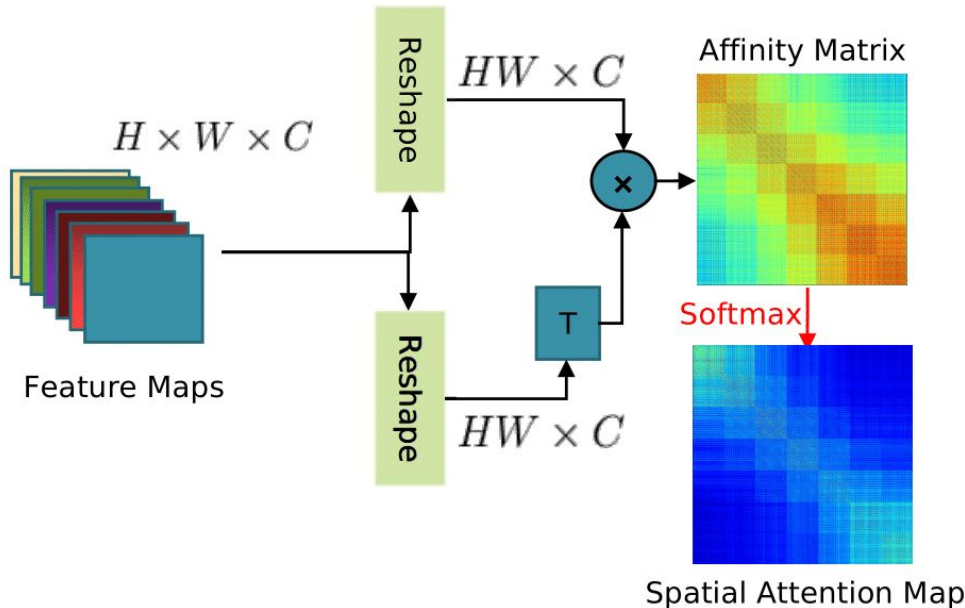
# Iterative and Adaptive Sampling (IAS) - Overview



- This is iteratively repeated till there is **little or no change** in final saliency maps.

- The input image is **sampled coarsely using a sliding window** to obtain an aggregated saliency map.
- Simultaneously, we obtain a **spatial attention map** of the input image using the **LRSA module**.
- An **adjusted saliency map** is obtained after combining the **saliency map** from previous iteration and **attention map**.

# Long-Range Spatial Attention (LRSA) - Overview

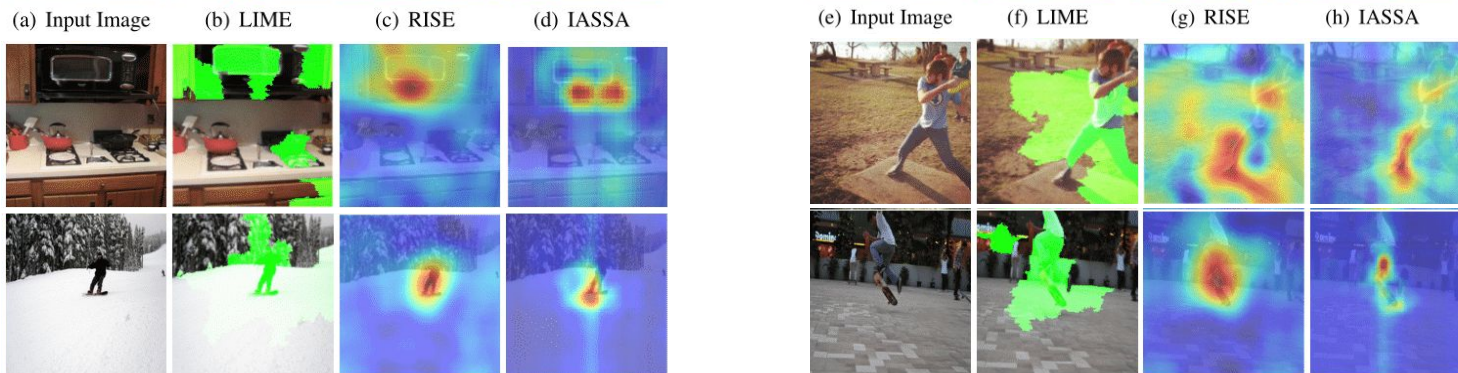


- Receptive fields limit the area of consideration to a small window in the image.
- Long-range spatial attention lets us explore and combine **long range inter-pixel dependencies** to produce an affinity matrix.
- The **output** of the LRSA module is a **spatial attention map**. Note that our LRSA module does not contain any learnable parameters.

# Results comparison

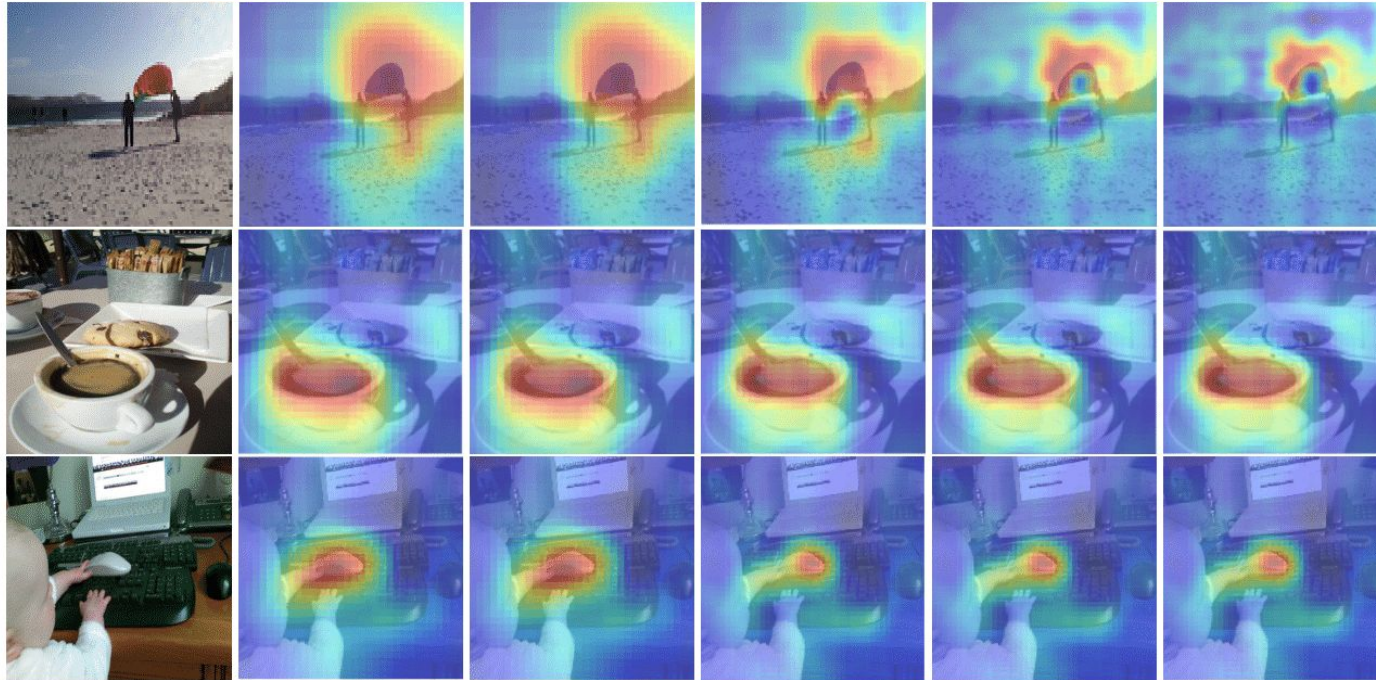
Table 1. Comparative evaluation in terms of deletion (lower is better) and insertion (higher is better), F-1 (higher is better), IoU (higher is better), and Pointing Game (higher is better) scores at both image and pixel levels on the MS-COCO dataset.

	Method	Deletion ↓	Insertion ↑	F-1 ↑	IoU ↑	Pointing Game ↑
Image-level	LIME	0.900967	0.99	0.15390	0.09745	0.16461
	RISE	<b>0.1847</b>	<b>1.0</b>	0.13837	0.13653	0.25
	IASSA	0.18803	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.23658</b>	<b>0.15153</b>	<b>0.4216</b>
Pixel-level	LIME	10.8526e-05	10.96158e-05	1.71177e-05	1.08447e-05	0.43671e-05
	RISE	5.5423e-05	28.8669e-05	4.26672e-05	2.69240e-05	8.95937e-05
	IASSA	<b>5.50534e-05</b>	<b>35.33639e-05</b>	<b>10.5960e-05</b>	<b>6.9282e-05</b>	<b>17.79331e-05</b>





# Results across $k$ iterations



(a) Input Image

(b)  $k = 5$

(c)  $k = 10$

(d)  $k = 15$

(e)  $k = 20$

(f)  $k = 25$

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