

# **Academic Solution**

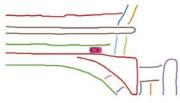
- General BEV Perception / A summary of the evolution
- 3D-2D v.s. 2D-3D / Comparison of two methods



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Vectorized HD map



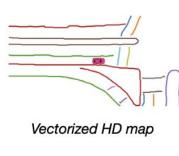
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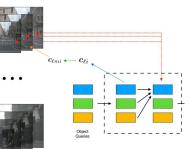
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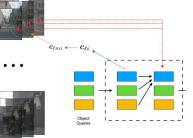
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- BEVFormer
- PersFormer
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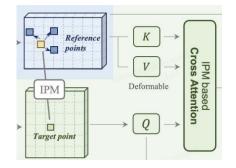
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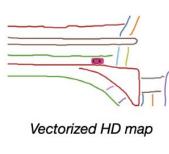
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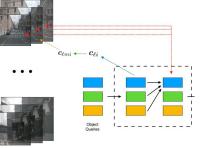
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#### Core Question: How to model the View Transformation from front view to BEV to obtain more effective features?

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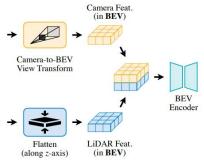
Reference

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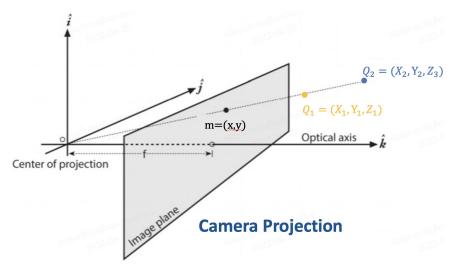
Target point

Fusion on the dimension of **BEV-feature** 





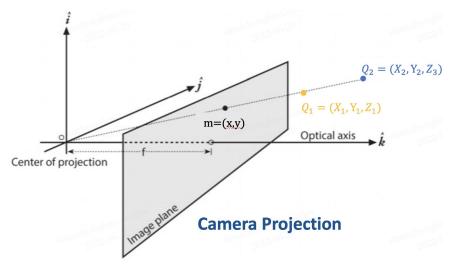




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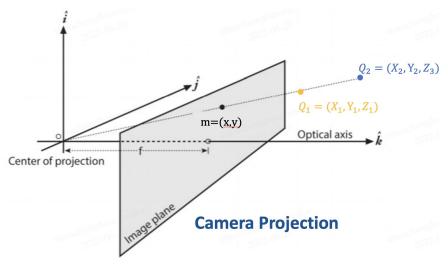




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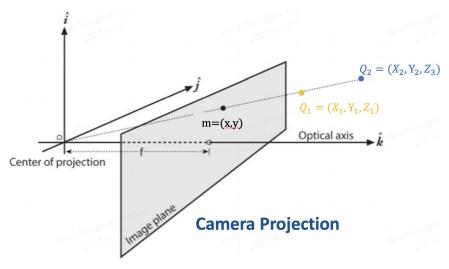




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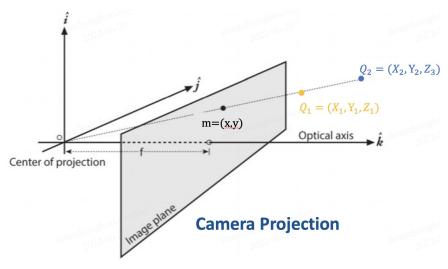




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#### No matter what, the transformation is ill-posed

### **Two Ways to Address View Transformation**



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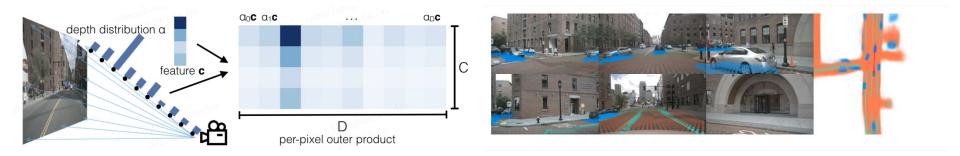
- Now that depth is unknown, we predict depth
  - i. Lift, Splat, Shoot and its derivant
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#### Way 2: From-3D-to-2D prior

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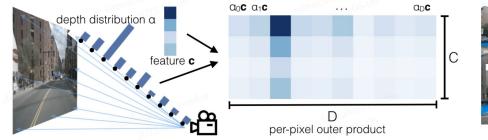




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- Pros:
  - Depth distribution is easier to generate
- Cons:
  - Generated distribution is discrete and sparse, strongly different from real scenes.
  - Object boundaries are difficult to process
- Following works:
  - $\circ$  CaDDN [2]
- FIERY [3] Shanghai Al Laboratory | 上海人工智能 空译字\_\_\_\_\_

**BEVDet / BEVFusion / BEVDepth** 

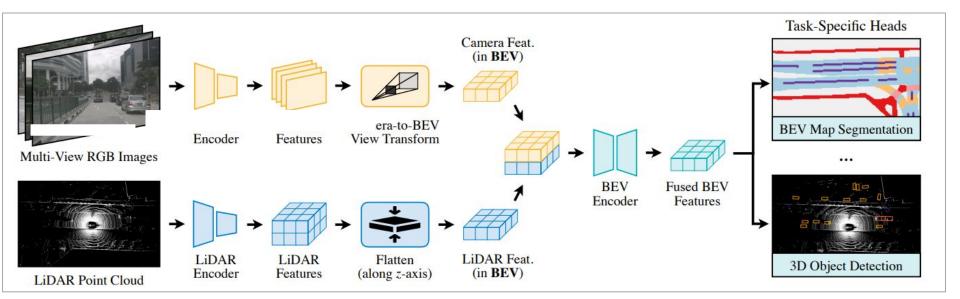
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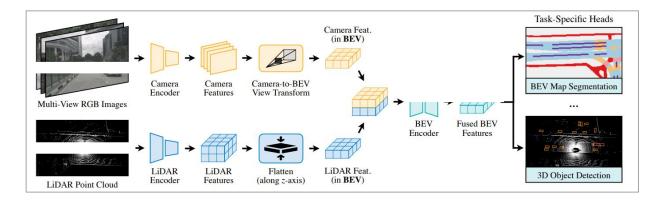


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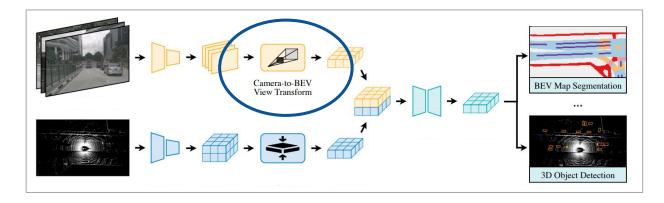


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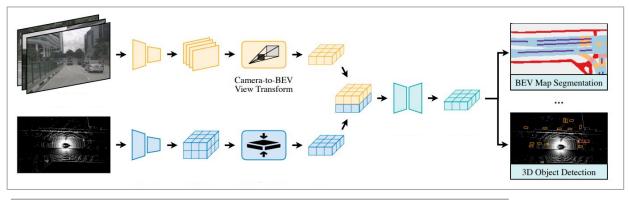
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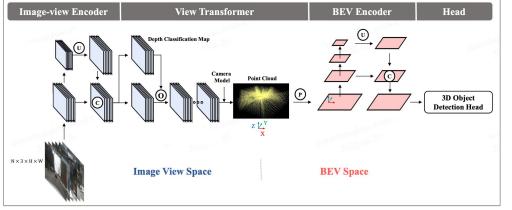




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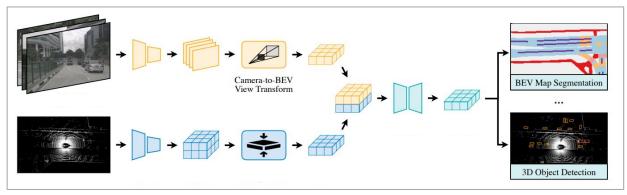
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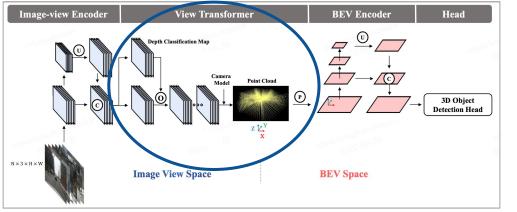
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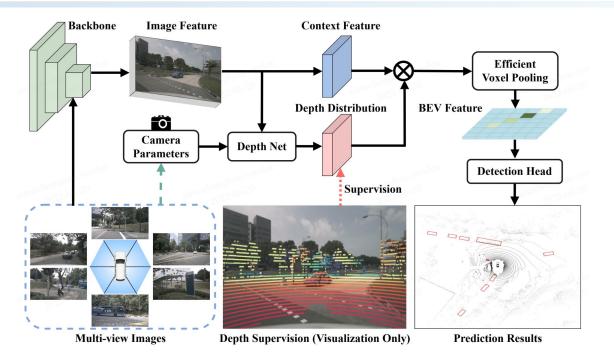


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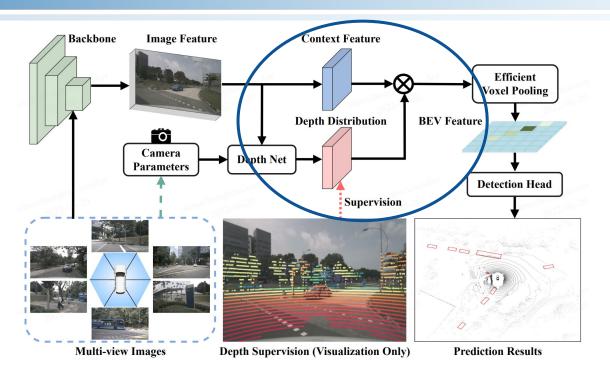




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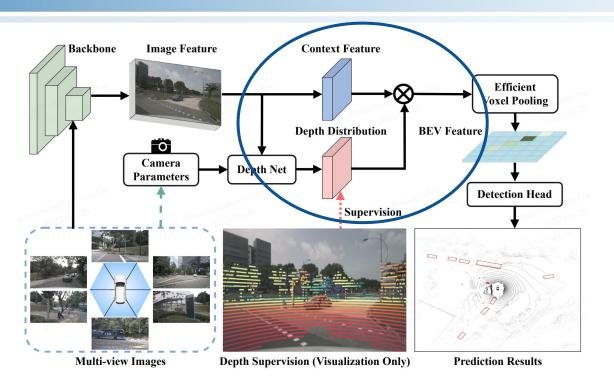




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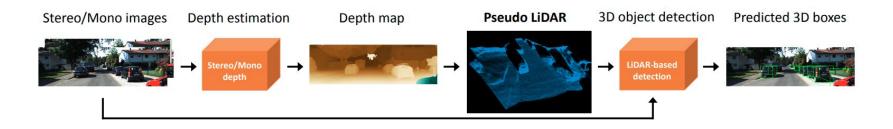
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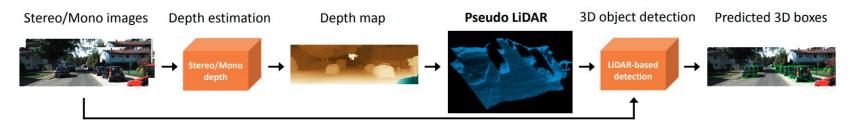


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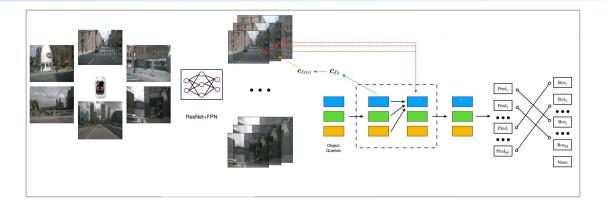
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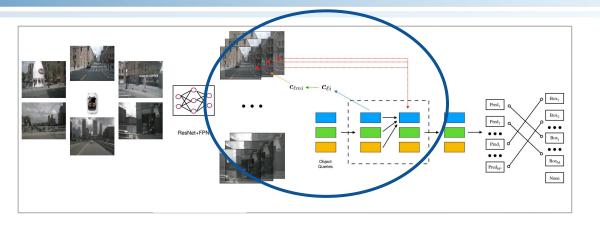




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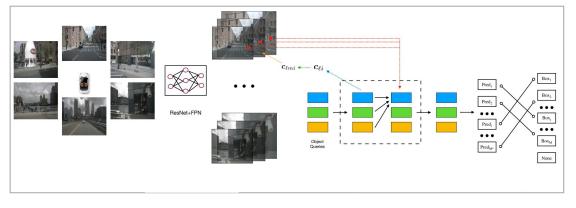


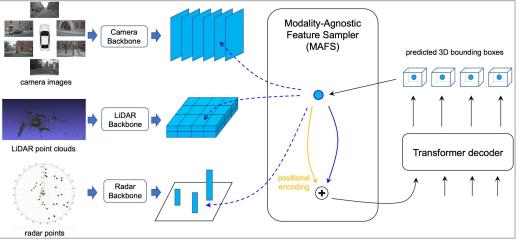


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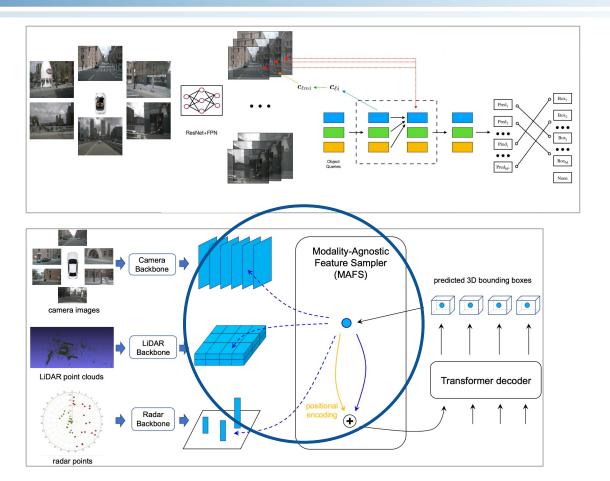


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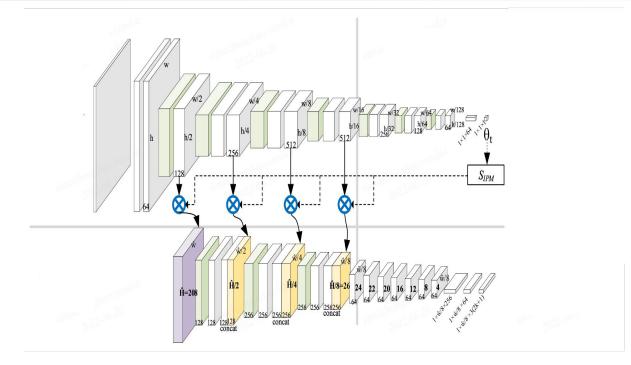




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- MAFS : 3D query are projected to 2D plane respectively, voxel, radar are used to look up feature, and then decoe into ect bbox
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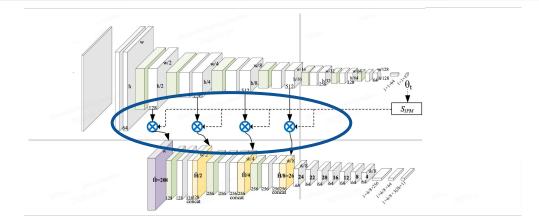


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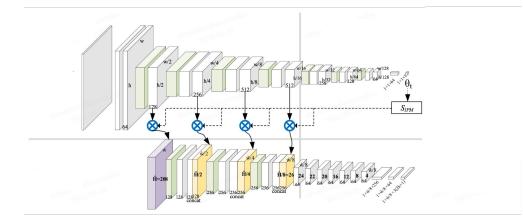


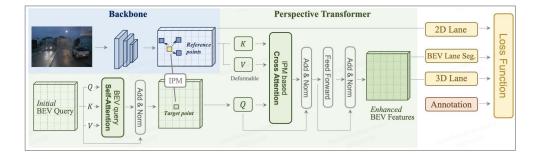


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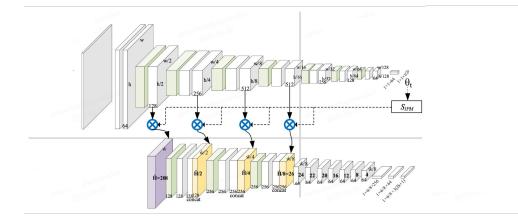
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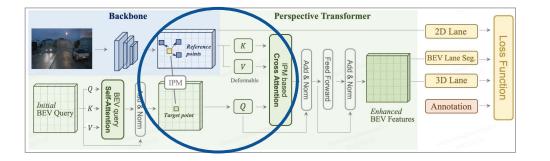
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#### PerceptionX

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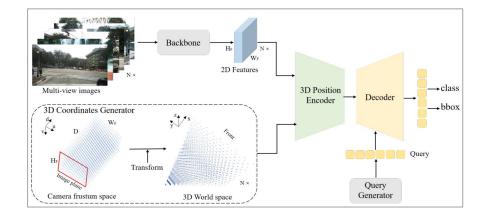
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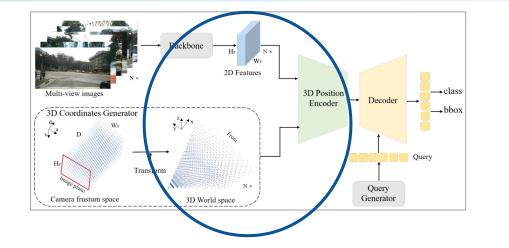


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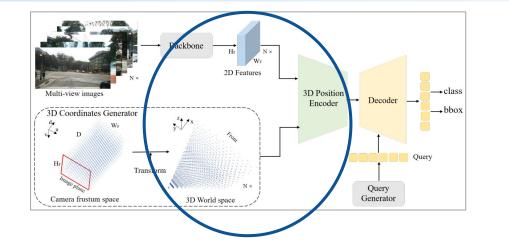
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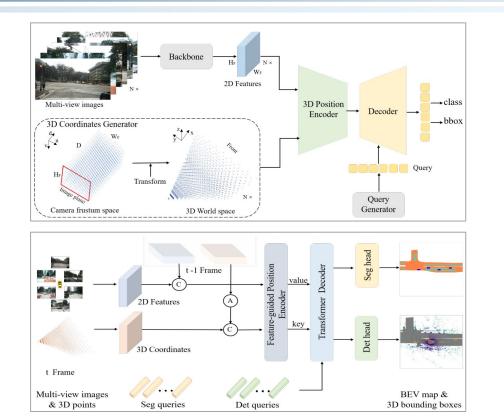
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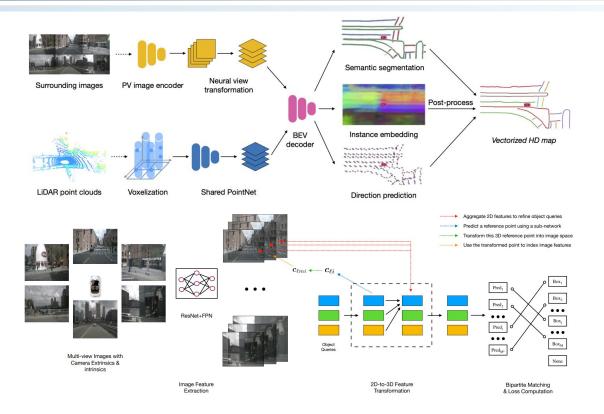
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### **Implicit Query-based BEV: HDMapNet-DETR3D**





- HDMapNet [1]: Fuse camera and LiDAR feature in BEV, output HD map in BEV
- Neural view transformation: Transformation from front view to BEV based on the simple projection and stitching from camera intrinsics and extrinsics, similar to panoramic IPM

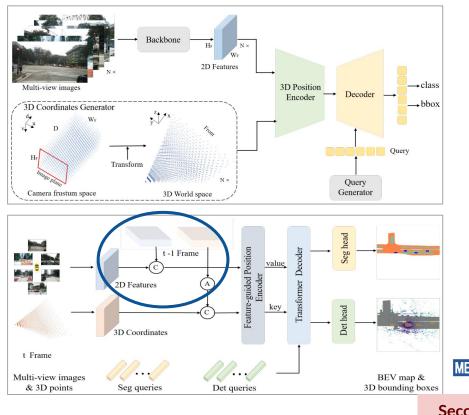
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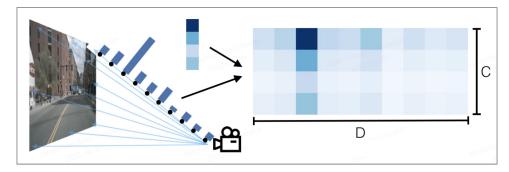


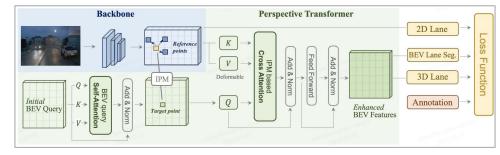
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#### Both perspectives are promising on nuScenes / Waymo leaderboard

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### Dataset



Dataset	Task	Sensor Config	Region	Scale	Quality	<b>Influence</b> (Leaderboard, workshop)
<b>KITTI</b> (2009)	<ul> <li>2D/3D object detection</li> <li>nV</li> <li>stereo</li> <li>depth</li> <li>Lidar segmentation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>1L(Velodyne HDL-64E,10Hz)</li> <li>4C(90°, 10Hz)</li> </ul>	<mark>Germany</mark> Karlsruhe	<ul> <li>1.5h</li> <li>7.5k frames</li> <li>1M images</li> <li>47K 3d bbox</li> </ul>	****	****
Waymo	<ul> <li>2D/3D object detection</li> <li>nV</li> <li>Object Tracking</li> <li>motion forecast</li> <li>domain gap</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>5L(10Hz)</li> <li>5C(50.4°, 10Hz)</li> </ul>	America San Francisco Phoenix Mountain View	<ul> <li>5.5h</li> <li>200k frame</li> <li>1M images</li> <li>1.4M 3d bbox</li> </ul>	****	****
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Argoverse	<ul> <li>3D object detection</li> <li>nV</li> <li>Object Tracking</li> <li>motion forecast</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2L(10Hz)</li> <li>9C(69.3°, 30Hz)</li> </ul>	<mark>America</mark> Miami Pittsburgh	<ul> <li>0.6h</li> <li>22K frame</li> <li>490K images</li> <li>993K 3d bbox</li> </ul>	***	**
Lyft L5	<ul> <li>3D object detection</li> <li>nV</li> <li>Object Tracking</li> <li>motion forecast</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3L(10Hz)</li> <li>7C(87.1°, 10Hz)</li> </ul>	<mark>America</mark> Palo Alto	<ul> <li>2.5h</li> <li>46K frame</li> <li>323K images</li> <li>1.3M 3d bbox</li> </ul>	**	**
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### **3 BEVFormer: A Shanghai Al Lab Approach**

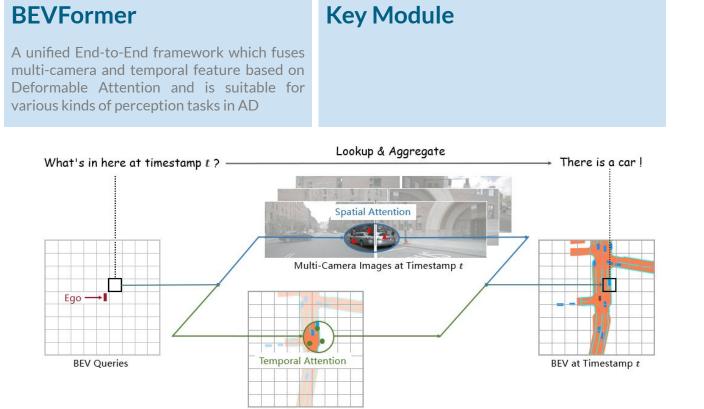
**BEVFormer and its Variant** 



#### BEVFormer: Learning Bird's-Eye-View Representation from Multi-Camera Images via Spatiotemporal Transformers

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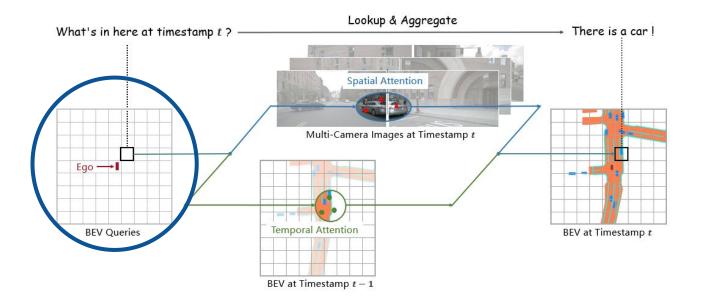
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A unified End-to-End framework which fuses multi-camera and temporal feature based on Deformable Attention and is suitable for various kinds of perception tasks in AD

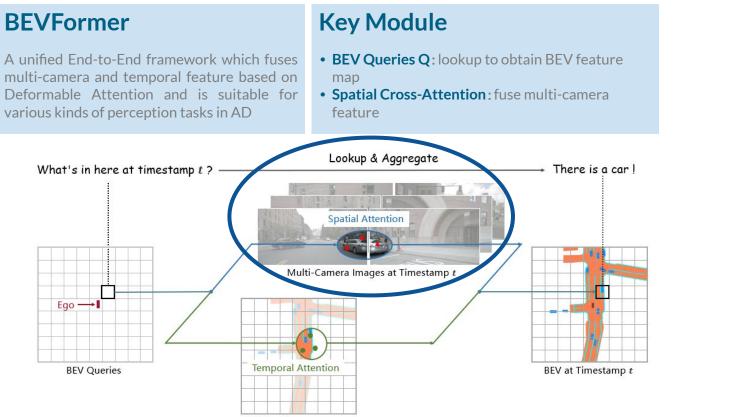
#### **Key Module**

• BEV Queries Q: used for lookup to obtain BEV

feature map







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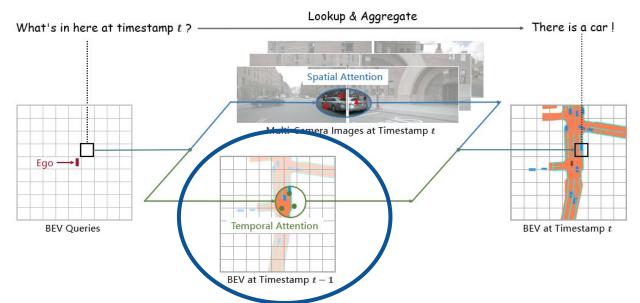


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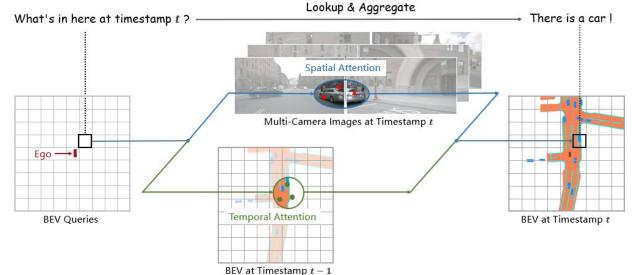
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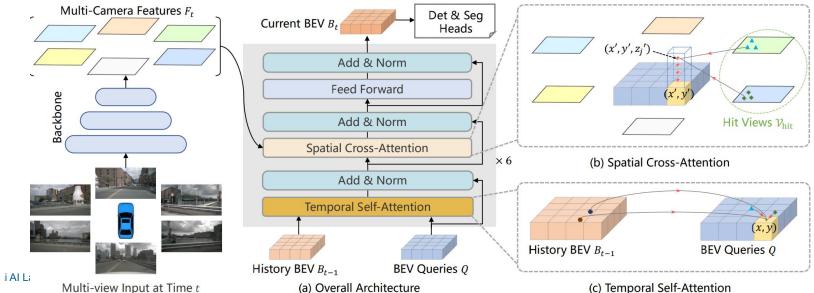
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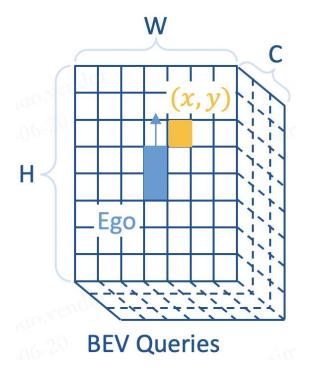
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### **BEVFormer: BEV Queries**

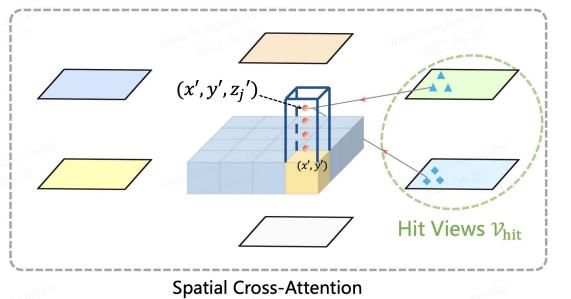


- BEV queries are H\*W\*C *learnable parameter*, which are used to capture BEV feature surrounding *ego car*.
- Every query locating at position (x, y) is responsible for *representing its corresponding small range of area*.
- Take turns to look up *spatial* and *temporal information* to generate BEV feature map.



### **BEVFormer: Spatial Cross-Attention**





### Look up spatial information

### **Concrete Steps**

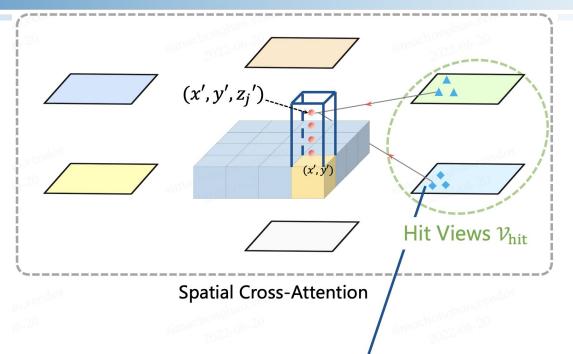
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### **BEVFormer: Spatial Cross-Attention**





#### Sparse Attention, e.g., Deformable Attention [1]

### Look up spatial information

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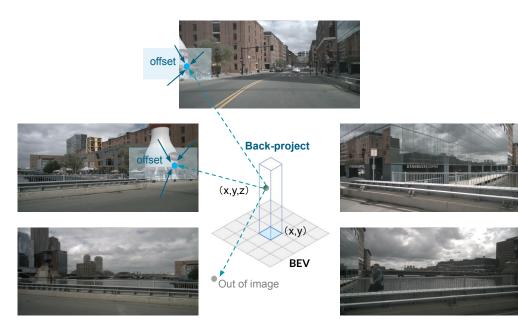
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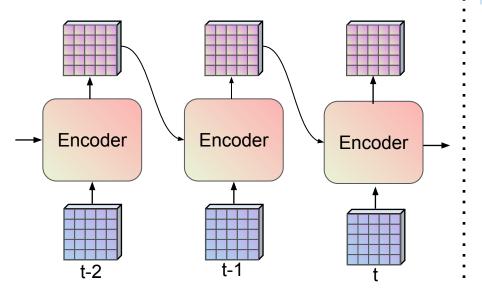
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## **BEVFormer: Temporal Self-Attention**



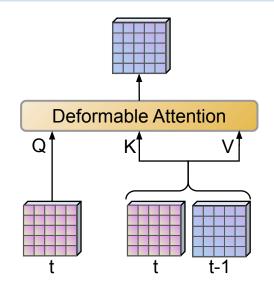
(Temporal feature modeling) recurrently model temporal BEV feature in the similar way to RNN. Every timestamp only requires last timestamp feature, which leads to lower computational cost.



(Temporal feature aggregation) current

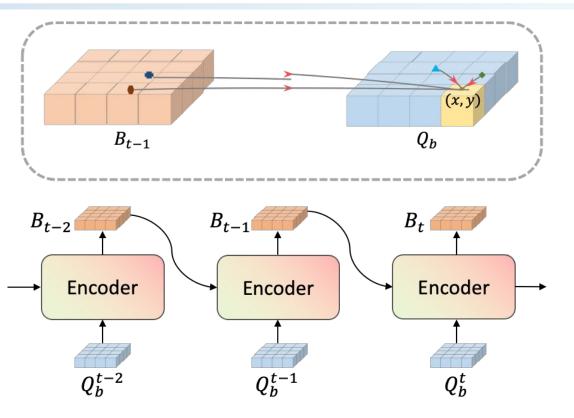
- timestamp's BEV feature is the query while both
- current and last timestamp's BEV feature is the key
- and value based on Deformable Attention to

aggregate temporal feature



### **BEVFormer: Temporal Self-Attention**





### Look up temporal information

### **Concrete Steps**

[Step 1] *align two bev feature map* according to ego car's motion

[Step 2] sample feature from current timestamp and

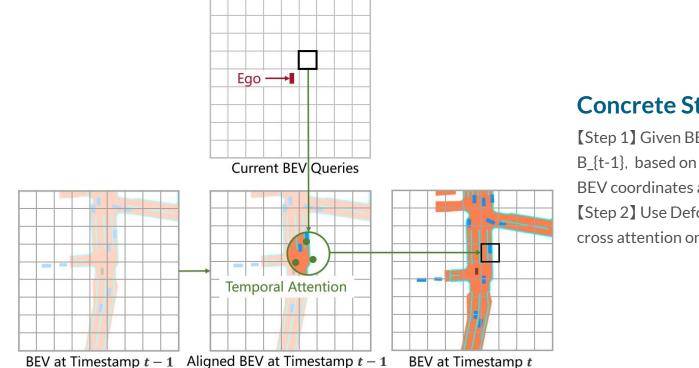
#### the past

[Step 3] compute the weighted sum of the sampled BEV feature

[Step 4] Recursively collect historical BEV feature

### **BEVFormer: Temporal Self-Attention**





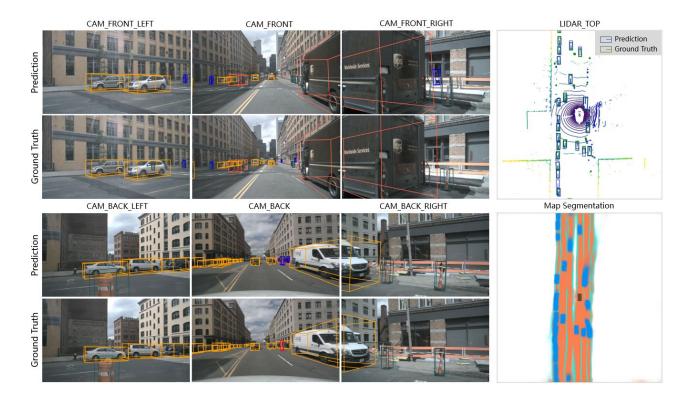
#### **Concrete Steps**

[Step 1] Given BEV feature map at timestamp t-1 B<sub>{</sub>t-1}, based on ego-motion, align it to current BEV coordinates and denote it B' {t-1} [Step 2] Use Deformable Attention to perform cross attention on B'\_{{t-1}} and current BEV query

## **BEVFormer: Explicit BEV feature**



- Multi-task learning: 3D object detection and map semantic segmentation
- Transferability: commonly used 2D detection head can be transferred to 3D detection with minor modification



## **BEVFormer: Performance on nuScenes & Waymo 1.2**



#### nuScenes test set, NDS: 56.9 v.s. 47.9

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CenterPoint-Voxel [51]	L	. <u>-</u>	0.655	0.580	-	2	-	2	_
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- Temporal cues are important(yields higher recall rate and more accurate speed estimation)
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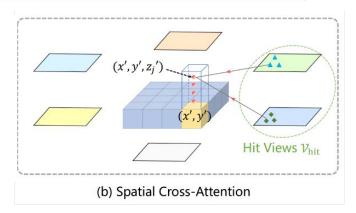


#### Table 5: The detection results of different methods with various BEV encoders on nuScenes val set.

Method	Attention	NDS↑	mAP↑	mATE↓	mAOE↓	#Param.	FLOPs	Memory
VPN* [30]	-	0.334	0.252	0.926	0.598	111.2M	924.5G	~20G
List-Splat* [32]	-	0.397	0.348	0.784	0.537	74.0M	1087.7G	~20G
BEVFormer-S <sup>†</sup>	Global	0.404	0.325	0.837	0.442	62.1M	1245.1G	~36G
BEVFormer-S <sup>‡</sup>	Points	0.423	0.351	0.753	0.442	68.1M	1264.3G	~20G
<b>BEVFormer-S</b>	Local	0.448	0.375	0.725	0.391	68.7M	1303.5G	~20G

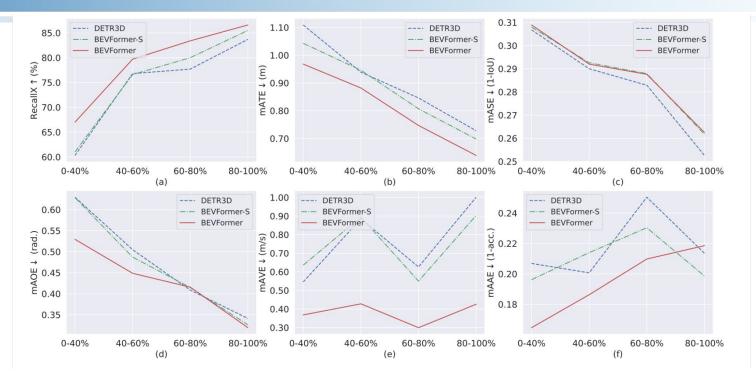
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- Global attention requires more computational resources
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## **BEVFormer: Ablation on Temporal Clues**



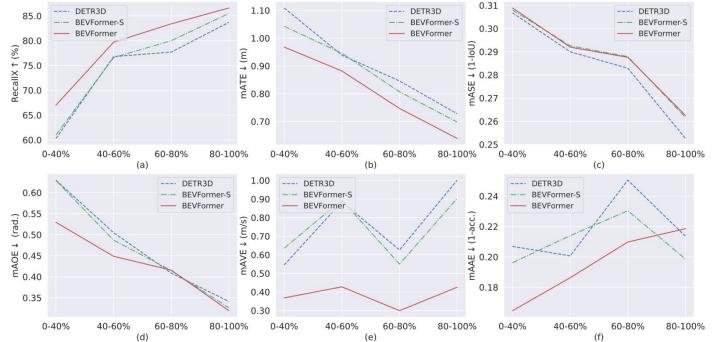


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- mATE: mean Average Translation Error
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Via temporal cues,

We have:

- Higher recall rate, especially for those object with low visibility
- More accurate **position** estimation
- More accurate **speed** estimation

## **BEVFormer: Ablation on Multi-task Learning**



Table 4: The Results on 3D detection and map segmentation task. Comparison of training segmentation and detection tasks jointly or not. \*: We use VPN [30] and Lift-Splat [32] to replace our BEV encoder for comparison, and the task heads are the same. †: Results from their paper.

Method	Task	Head	3D De	tection	B	EV Segmen	tation (Io	U)
Method	Det	Seg	NDS↑	mAP↑	Car	Vehicles	Road	Lane
Lift-Splat <sup>†</sup> [32]	×	1	06-20-	-	32.1	32.1	72.9	20.0
FIERY <sup>†</sup> [18]	X	1	-	-	- 2022	38.2	-	2022
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VPN*	X	1	-	-	31.0	31.8	76.9	19.4
VPN*	1	1	0.334	0.257	36.6	37.3	76.0	18.0
Lift-Splat*	1	X	0.397	0.348	-	envendor	-	-
Lift-Splat*	X	1	06-20-	-	42.1	41.7	77.7	20.0
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BEVFormer-S	1	X	0.448	0.375	-	-	-	-
<b>BEVFormer-S</b>	X	1	-	-	43.1	43.2	80.7	21.3
<b>BEVFormer-S</b>	1	1	0.453	0.380	44.3	44.4	77.6	19.8
BEVFormer	1	X	0.517	0.416	-	-	-	-
BEVFormer	X	1	0.0150000	-	44.8	44.8	80.1	25.7
BEVFormer	1	1	0.520	0.412	46.8	46.7	77.5	23.9

Through multi-task learning, we have:

- A multi-task head with higher NDS
- Lower IoU of road and lane

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