Method Description for the Vaihingen 2D Semantic Labeling Contest

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In this work, we use ResNet101 as our baseline model. To classify small objects such as cars, we employed atrous convolution for dense feature extraction and field-of-view enlargement, which is inspired by DeepLab.

The main differences to the first 3 methods are data augmentation. During training, we use multi-scale and flipped patches as data augmentation to get more information from the original images. Also, we use "poly" learning strategy for training rather than fixed learning rate.

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