

# AI for Climate Adaptation



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AI for climate adaptation explores the potential of AI-based image and text classification of Volunteered Geographic Information (VGI) to contribute to the evaluation of the accuracy of the SMHI national system for impact-based weather warnings



Gul varning



Orange varning



Röd varning

**Varningar och meddelanden**  
Sidan laddades den 7:e oktober kl. 08.49

Umeå

Varningar Brandrisk Vattenbrist Höga temperaturer Lär dig mer Filter

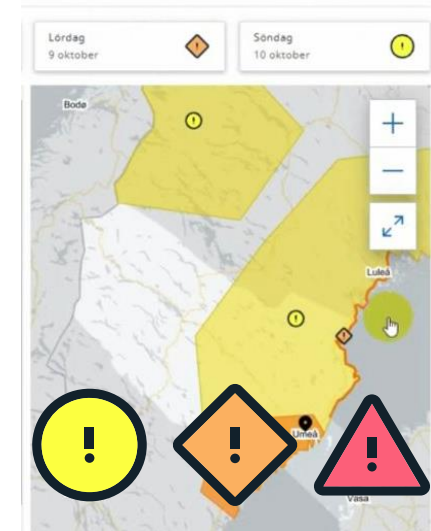
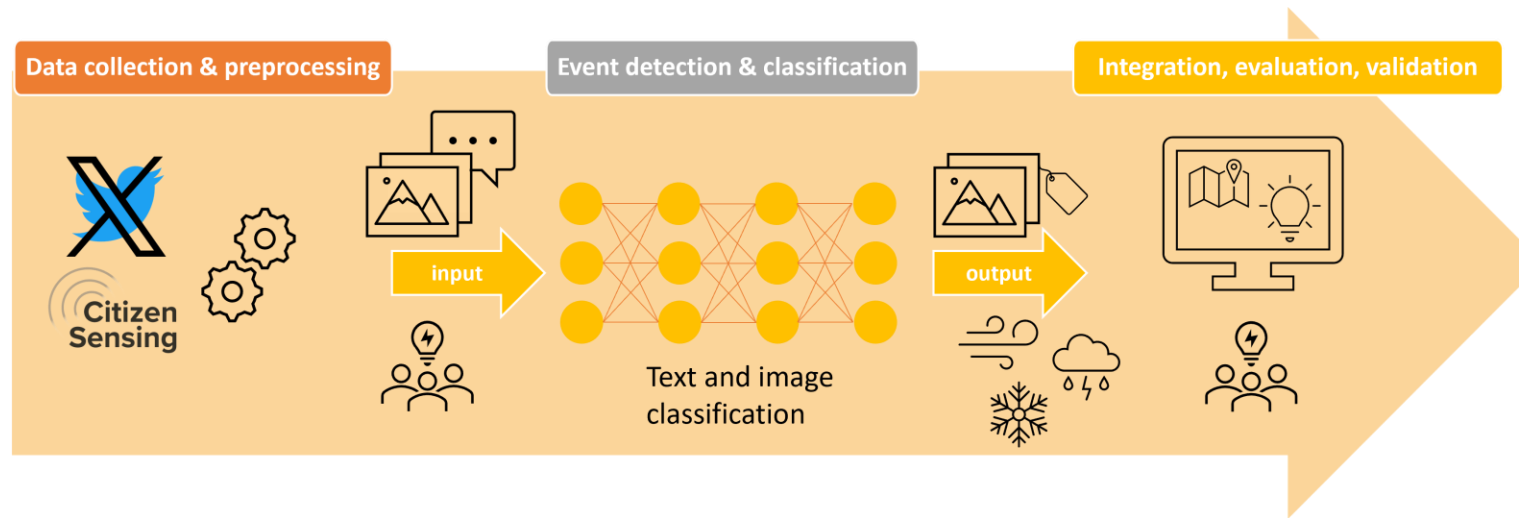
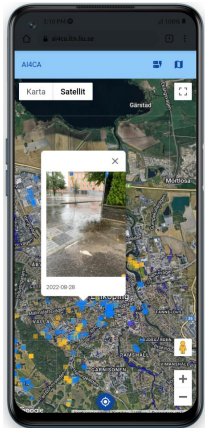
Torsdag 7 oktober Orange Fredag 8 oktober Orange Lördag 9 oktober Orange Söndag 10 oktober Gul

Norra Kvarken och Västerbottens län  
torsdag den 7:e oktober

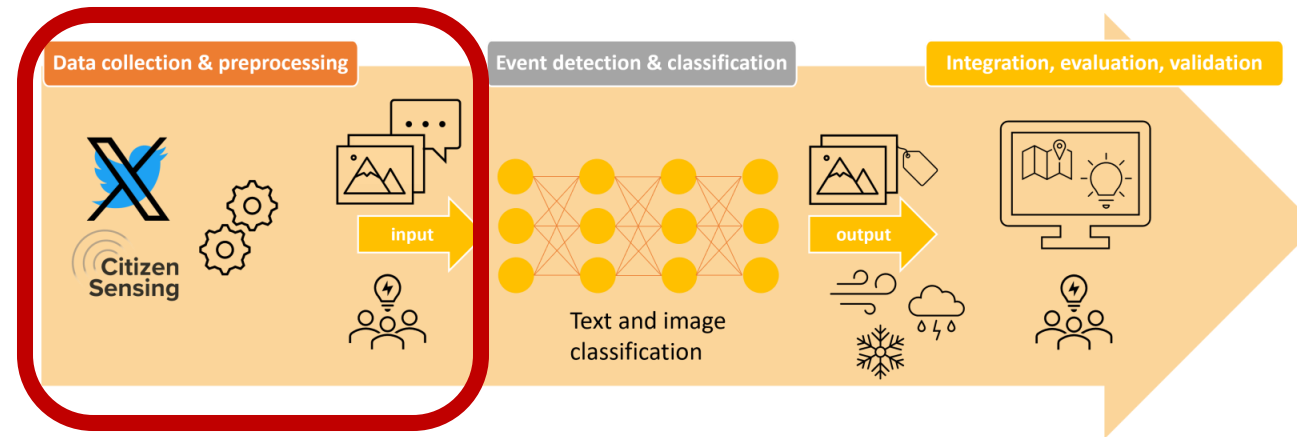
- Orange - Skyfallsliknande regn** Västerbotten  
Översvämningar väntas pga. skyfall på en del platser.
- Orange - Högt vattenstånd** Mellersta och södra Bottenviken  
test
- Gul - Regn** Mellersta och norra Norrlands kust- och inland



# AI for Climate Adaptation - pipeline

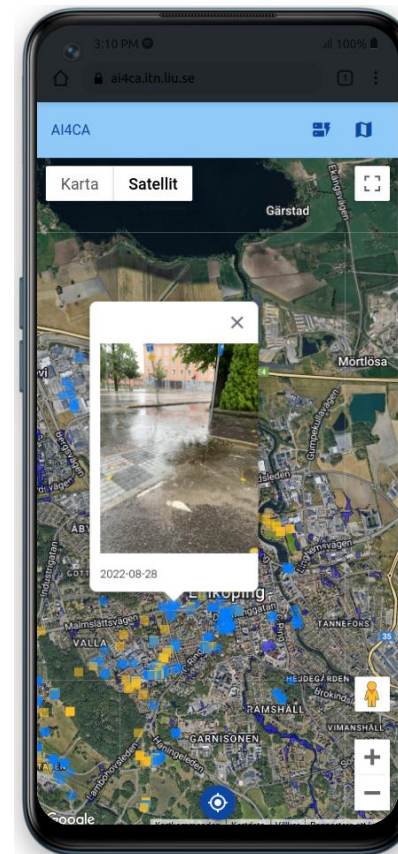


# Data collection & preprocessing

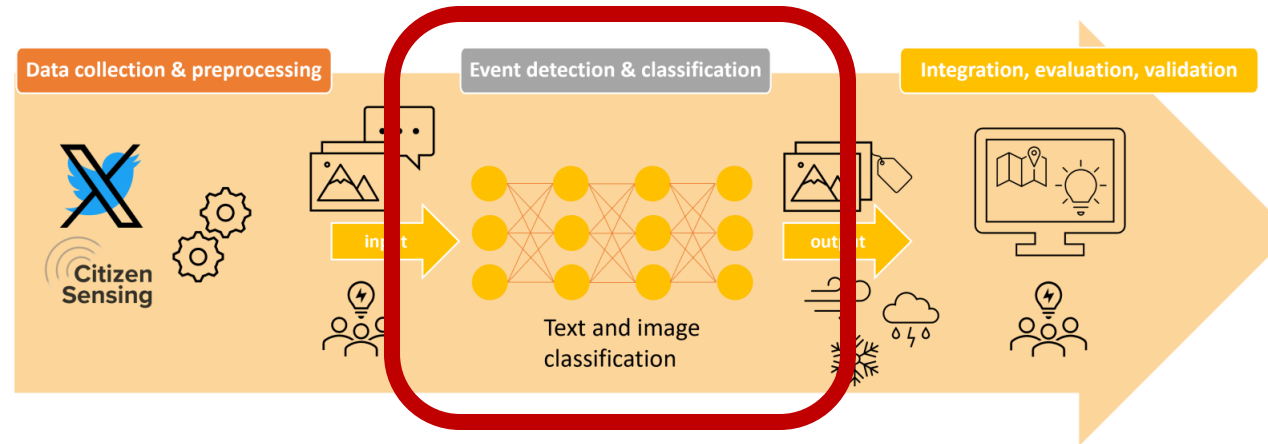


- Collected datasets – Twitter/X
- Mobile app for data collection – images & annotations

# AI4CA app



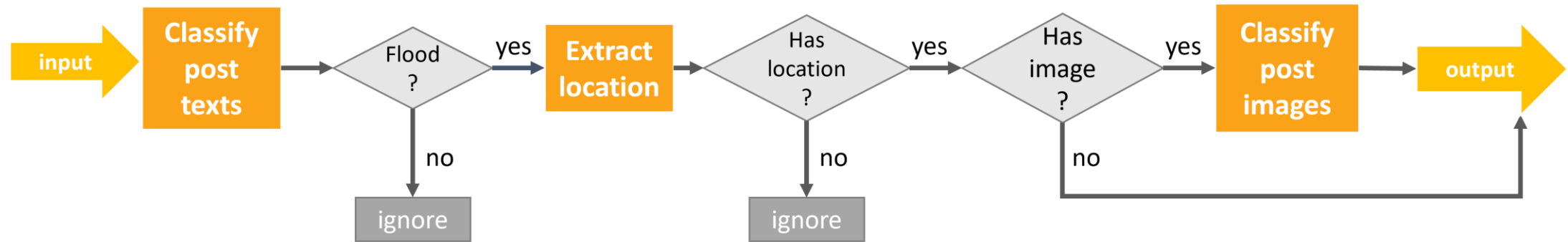
# Event detection & classification



- Text classification
  - Bert based model
- Image classification
  - Vision Transformer
  - Semantic Segmentation

Event concentration of flood-related texts/images over time

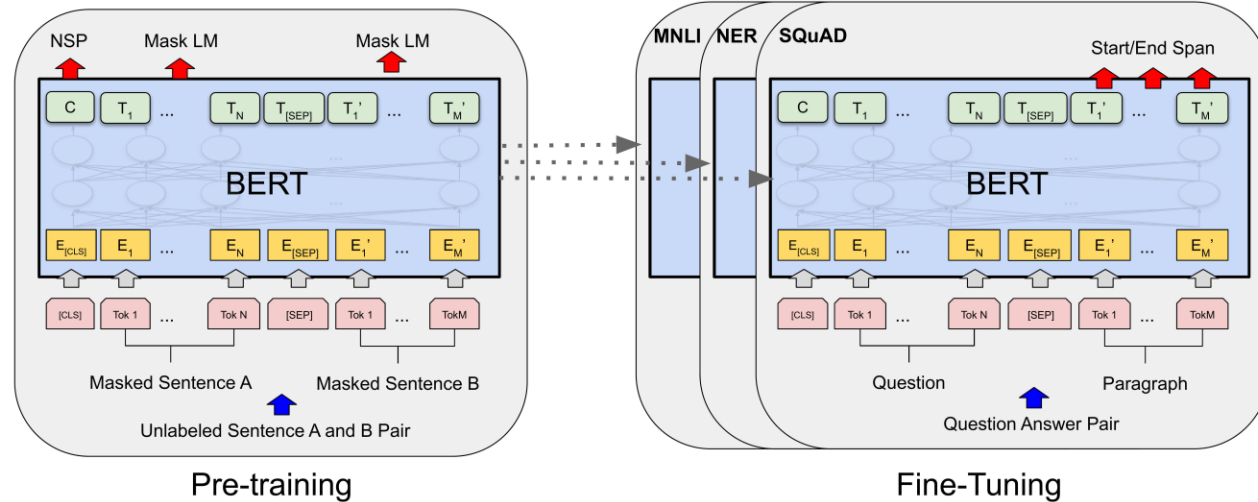
# Data processing pipeline



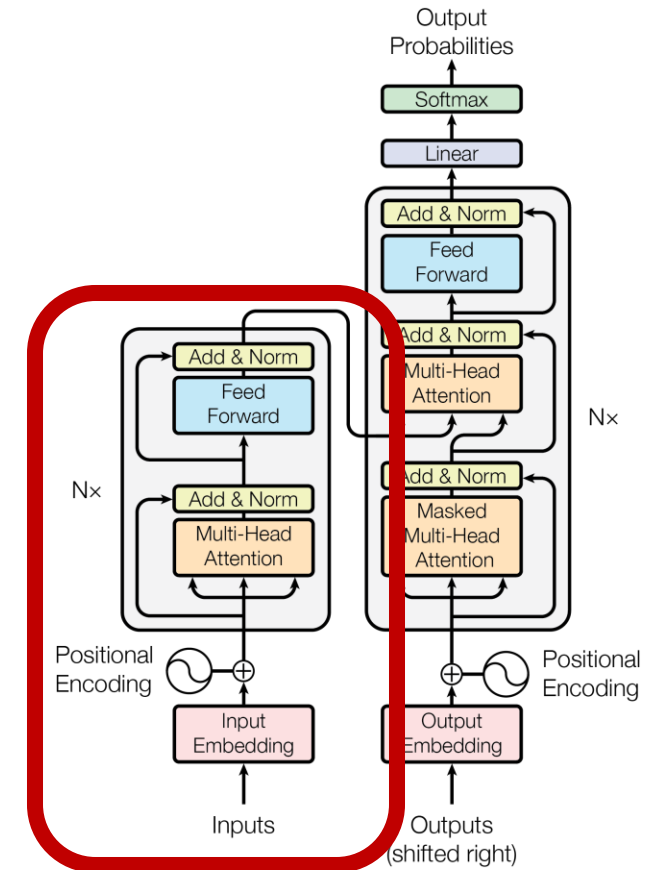


# Text classification – Bert model

- DistilBERT Model



Devlin, Jacob. "Bert: Pre-training of deep bidirectional transformers for language understanding." (2018).



Encoder Decoder

Attention Is All You Need

Vaswani, A. "Attention is all you need." Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (2017).

# Text classification – Fine-tuned data

## **CrisisLexT6** Tweets from 6 crises, labeled by relatedness June 2014

This collection includes English tweets across 6 large events in 2012 and 2013, with about 10,000 tweets labeled by relatedness (as "on-topic", or "off-topic") with each event.

 List of crises included »

- **Contents:** ~60K tweets posted during 6 crisis events in 2012 and 2013.
- **Sampling method:** ~10 million tweets in total sampled by keywords and geographical regions or coordinates. Tweets were provided by Twitter's partner Topsy (4 geo-based), or as lists of tweet ids by [Twitris v3](#) (5 keyword-based datasets, thanks to Hemant Purohit) and Twitter's partner GNIP (1 keyword-based, 2 geo-based, thanks to Aron Culotta).
- **Labels:** ~60,000 tweets (10,000 in each collection) were labeled by crowdsourcing workers according to relatedness (as "on-topic", or "off-topic").
- **Data format:** comma-separated values (.csv) files containing the text of the tweets and labels for the labeled ones.

If you use the CrisisLexT6 collection, please cite:

- A. Olteanu, C. Castillo, F. Diaz, S. Vieweg. 2014. [CrisisLex: A Lexicon for Collecting and Filtering Microblogged Communications in Crises](#). In Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Weblogs and Social Media (ICWSM'14). AAAI Press, Ann Arbor, MI, USA.

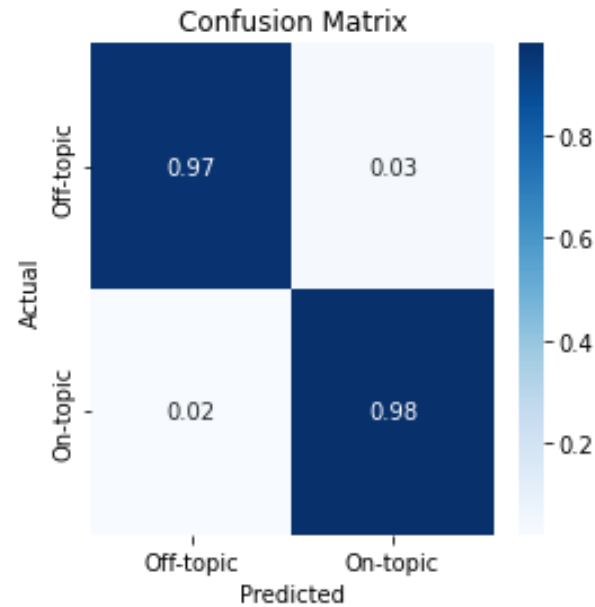
[Browse on GitHub](#)

[CrisisLexT6-v1.0.zip \(3.1 MB\)](#)

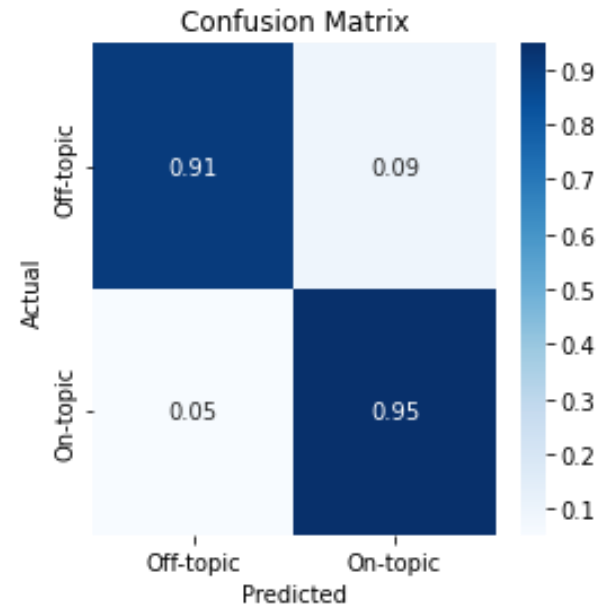
- The Queensland floods – January/February 2013
- Alberta floods – June/July 2013

# Text classification

- DistilBERT Model
- Fine-tuned with:
  - CrisisLex twitter dataset

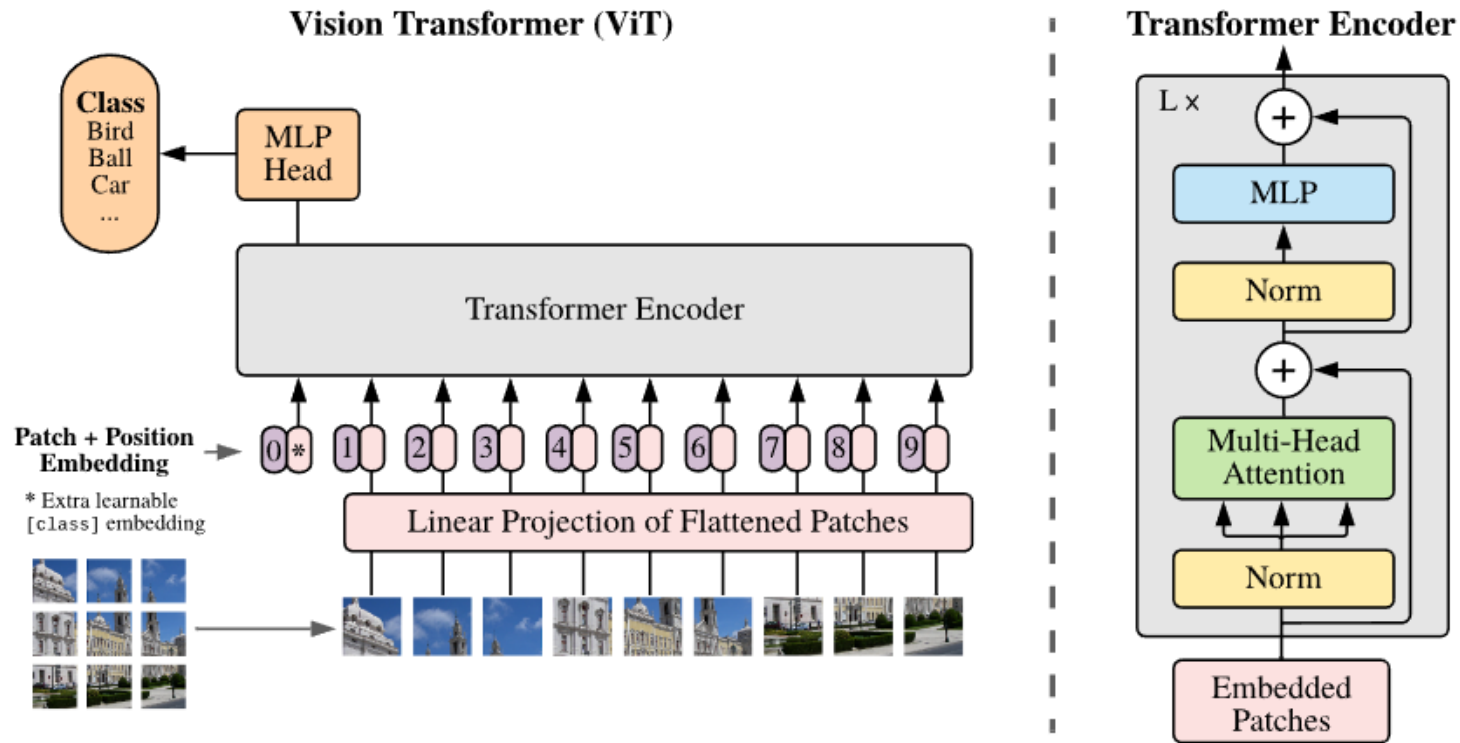


CrisisLex Twitter dataset



Swedish tweets w. Google translate

# Image classification – ViT

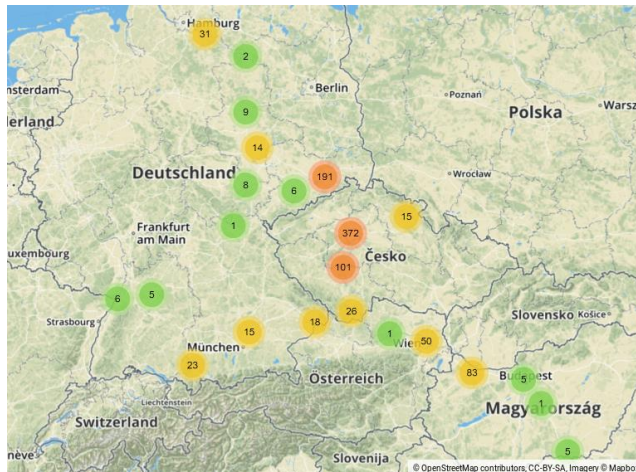


Dosovitskiy, Alexey. "An image is worth 16x16 words: Transformers for image recognition at scale." (2020).

# Image classification – Fine-tuning data

## EU Flooded 2013 Dataset

This dataset comprises images of major flood events in central Europe



<https://inf-cv.uni-jena.de/home/research/datasets/eu-flood-dataset/>

# Image classification – Fine-tuned data

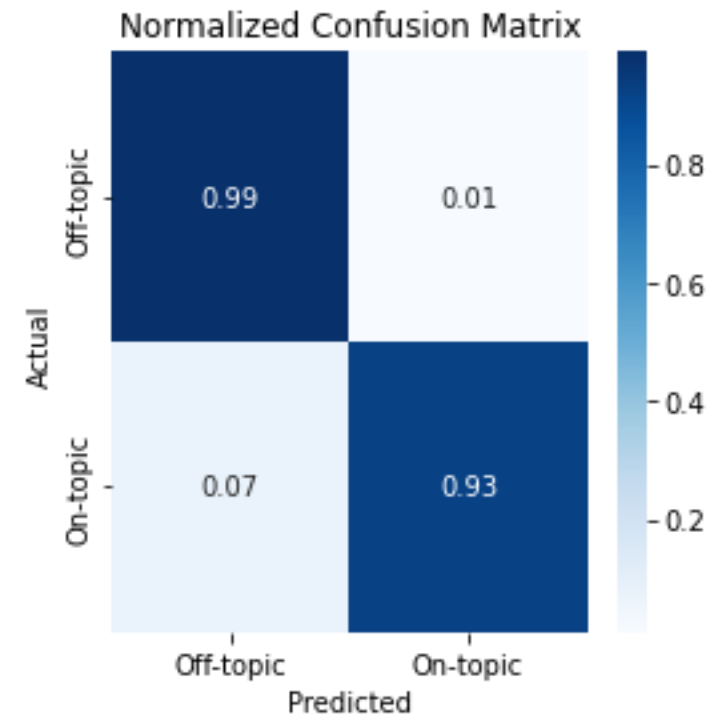
PASCAL VOC dataset - Visual Object Classes



<http://host.robots.ox.ac.uk/pascal/VOC/voc2012/index.html>

# Image classification

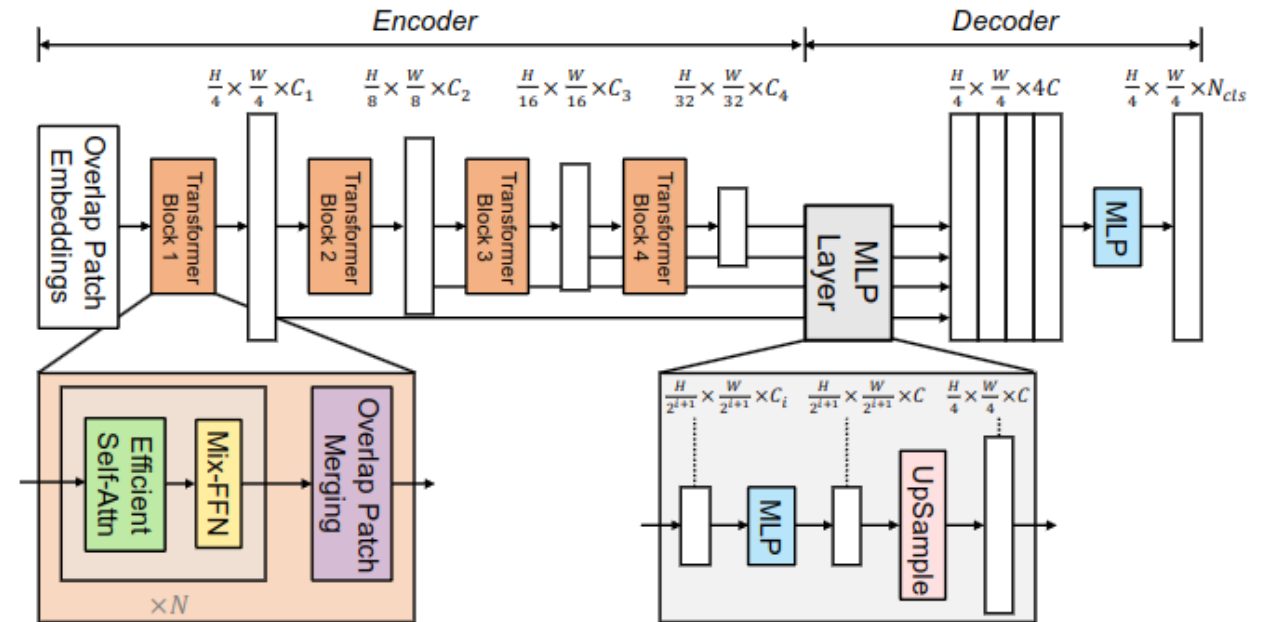
- Vision Transformer (ViT)
- Fine-tuned with:
  - EU Flooded 2013 Dataset for on-topic images
  - PASCAL VOC dataset for off-topic images



# Semantic segmentation – SegFormer



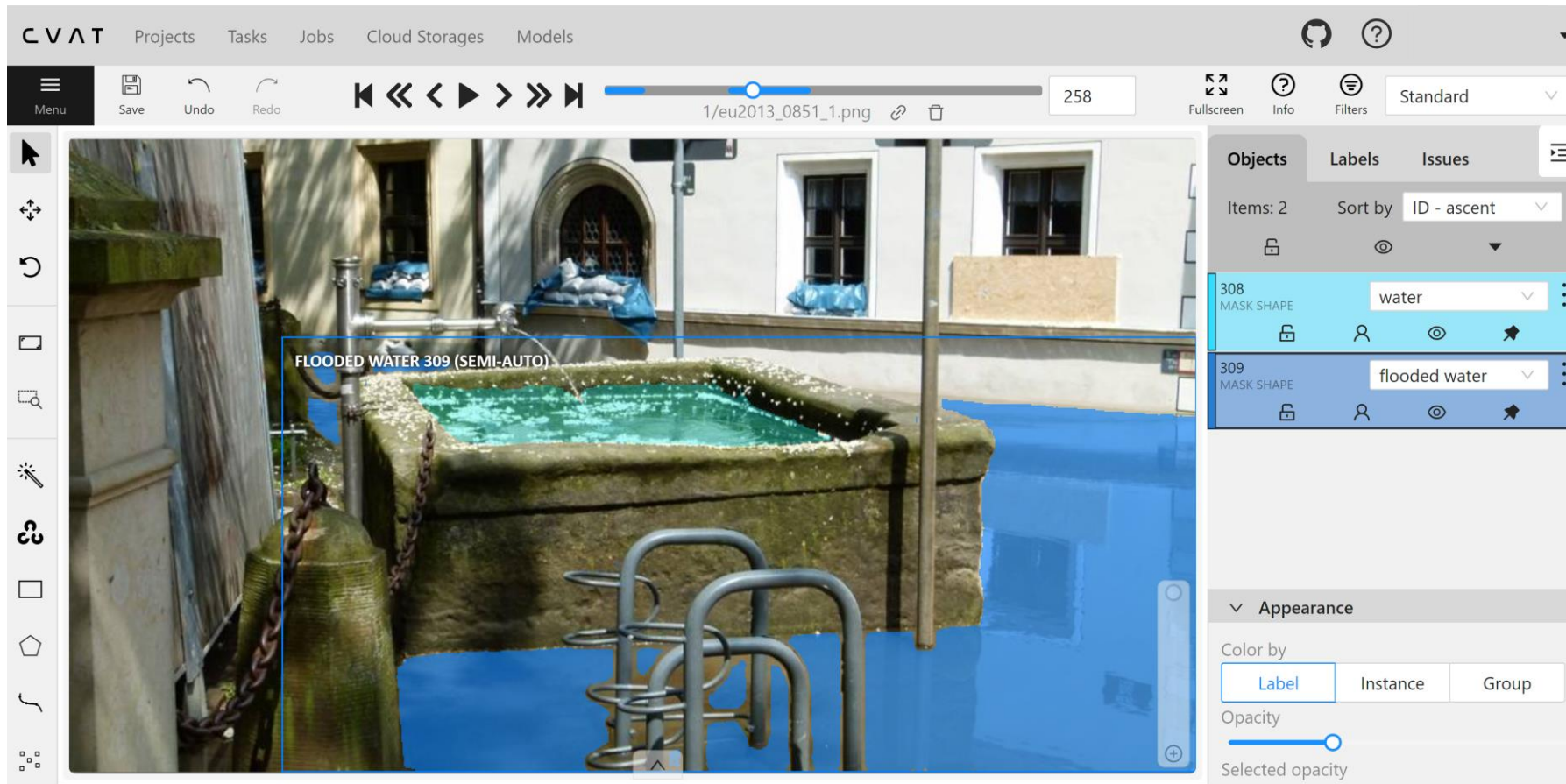
[https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Image\\_segmentation.png](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Image_segmentation.png)



Xie, Enze, et al. "SegFormer: Simple and efficient design for semantic segmentation with transformers." (2021)



# Semantic segmentation – Fine-tuned data

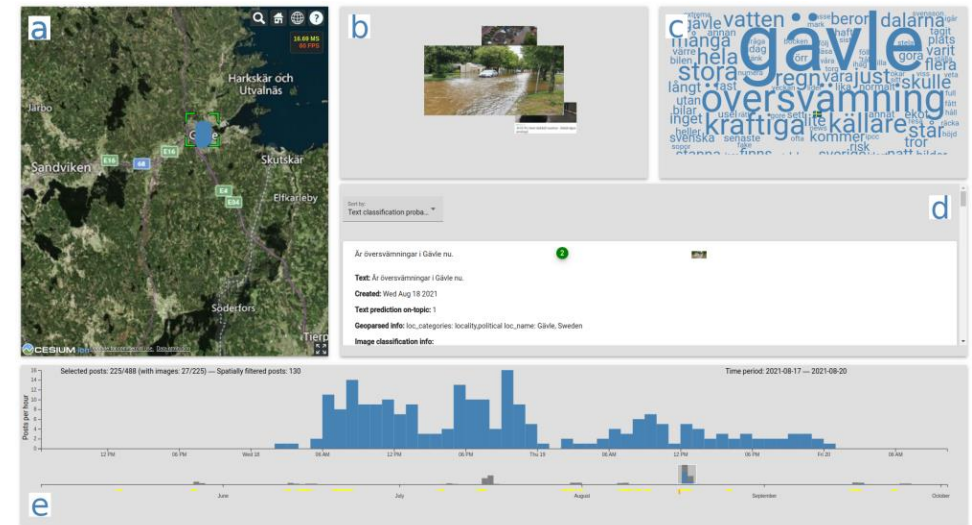
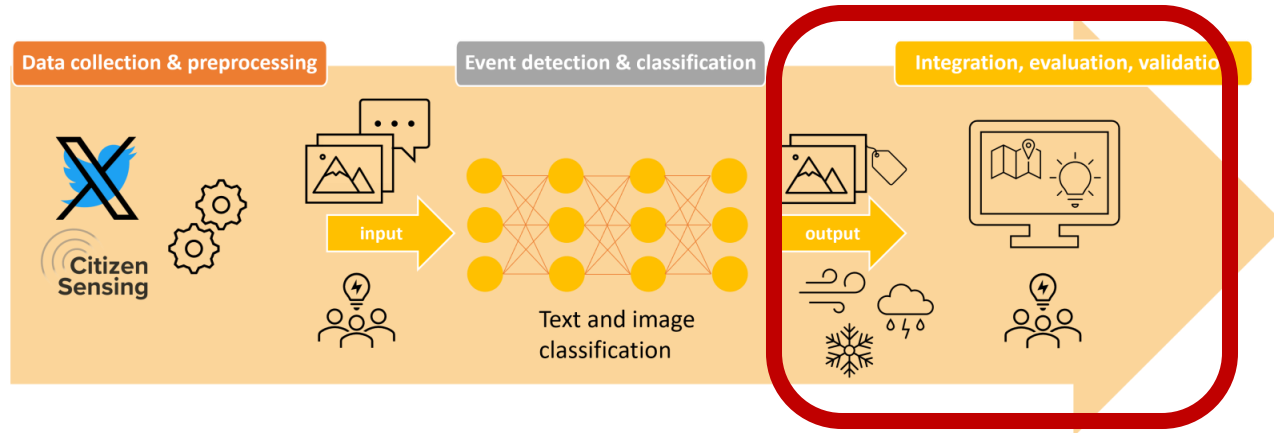


EU Flooded 2013 Dataset  
Semi- automatic labeled with  
CVAT / SAM

# Semantic segmentation - results

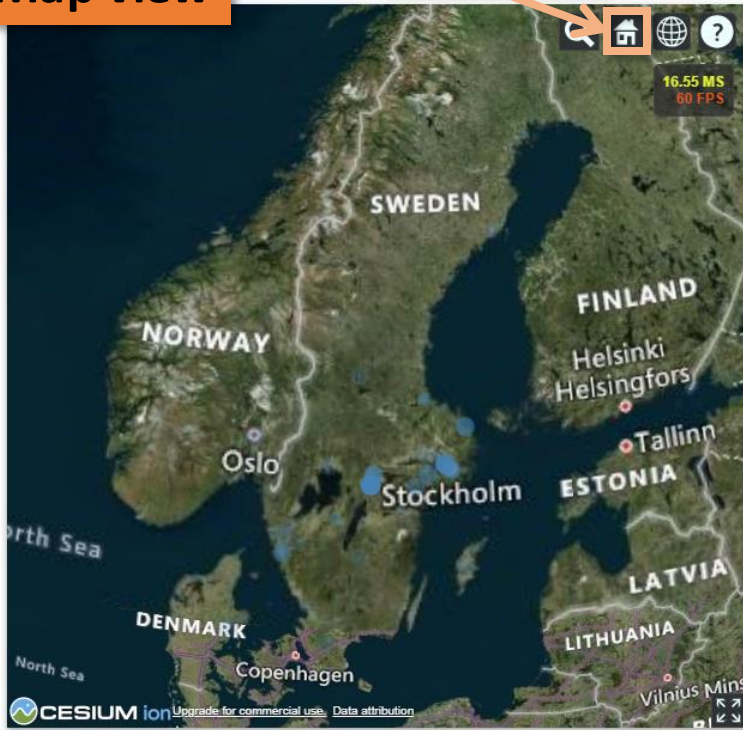


# AI4CA visual interface

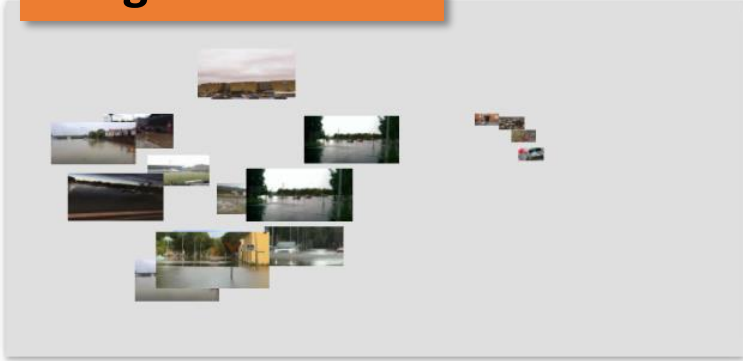


# Map view

Reset map view



# Image cloud view



# Word cloud view



# Posts view

Sort by: Posting time

Översvämning i kumla <http://t.co/K89QShnE8C...> 0

Om ni som bor i Umeå undrar vad det är för hemskt oväder som är på ingång så kan... 0

Hallsberg hårt drabbat av översvämningar <http://t.co/KwmiP2k3IE...> 0

Imponerad över insatser och människors tålamod. Här senaste kommuninfo. #Hallsbe 0

Sorting options

Classification feedback

Information about filtered posts

Filtered time period

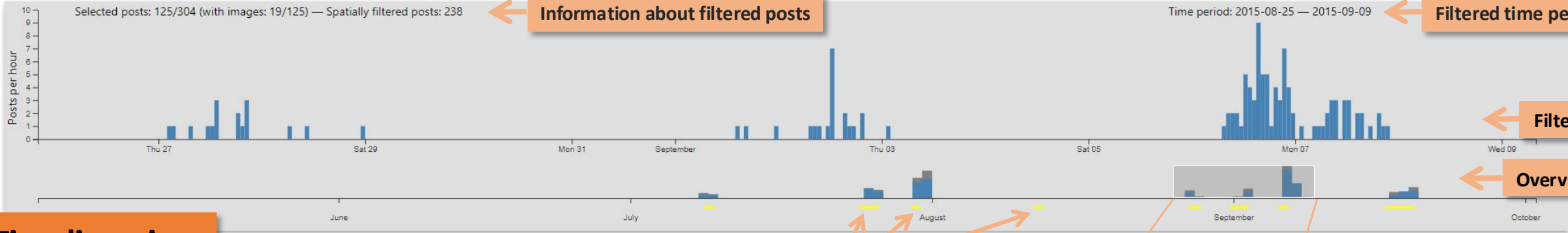
Filtered timeline

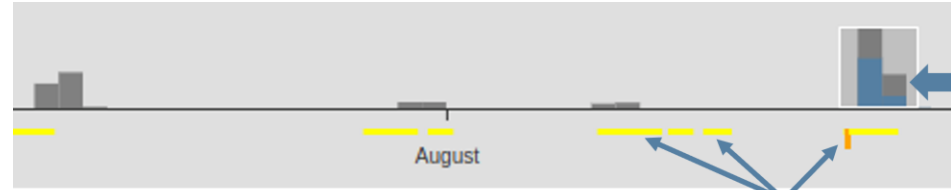
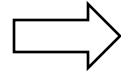
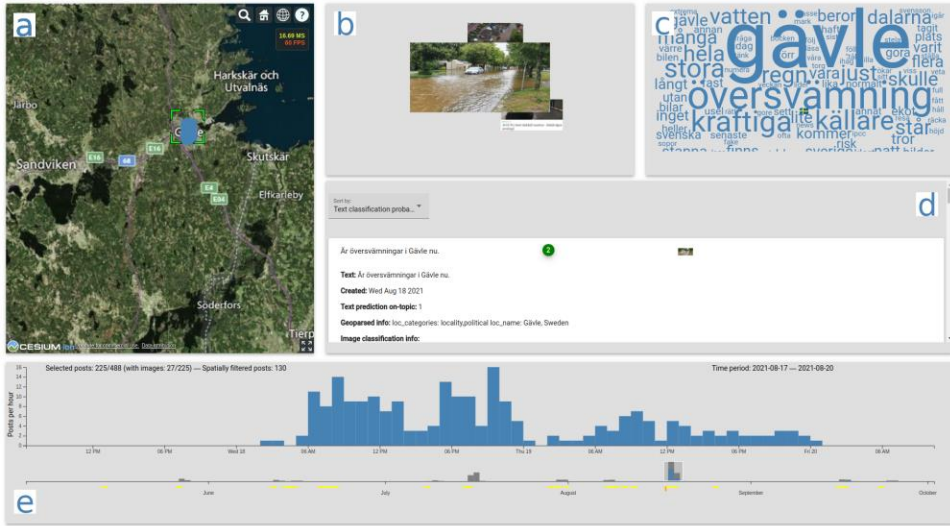
Overview timeline

SMHI warnings

Time window filter

# Timeline view





Filtered posts highlighted

SMHI issued warnings

# AI4CA interface – user tests



User tests September 2023

14 SMHI experts: meteorologists, hydrologists



Guided & unguided tasks



Screen & voice capture



System Usability Survey



Coded interaction sequences   patterns of use

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