

Progressive Splitting and Upscaling Structure for Super-Resolution

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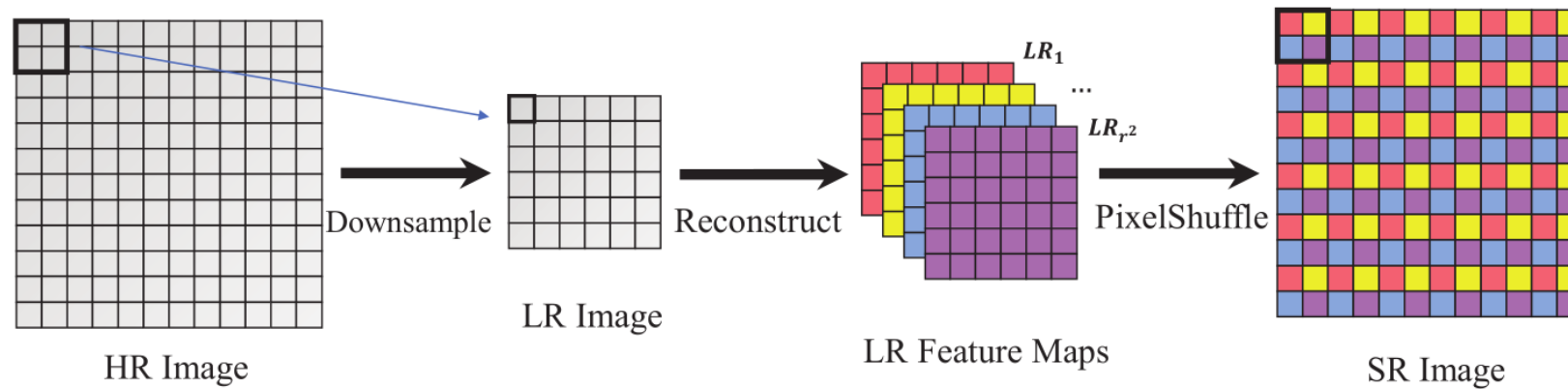
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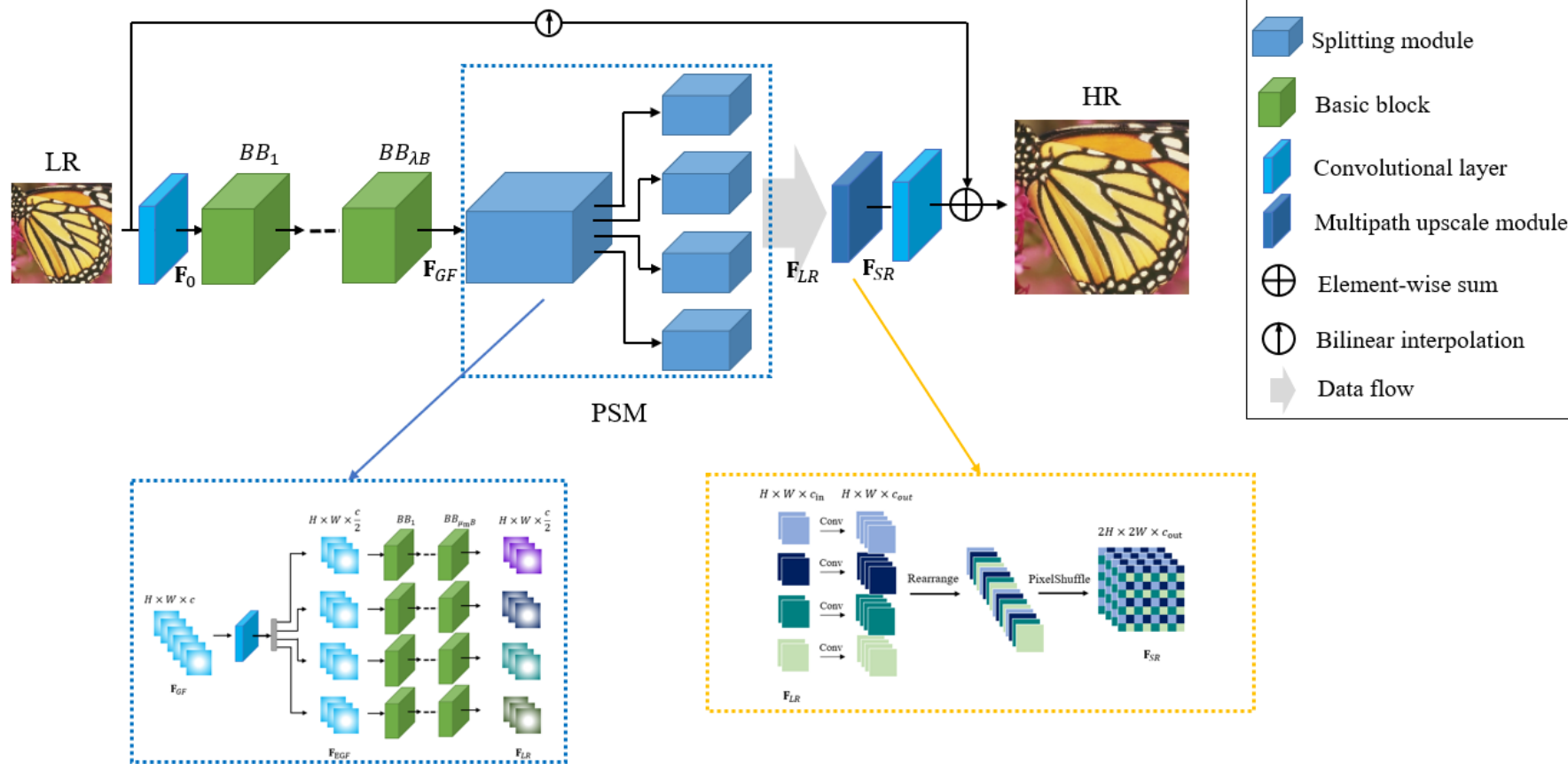


Motivation

- Few SR methods have paid attention to exploring potential representation ability of upscaling layer
- LR feature maps share similar patterns as they are extracted from a single trunk network
- We try generating decoupled SR features to get better SR results



Architecture



Progressive Splitting and Upscaling Structure



Experiments

■ Study on Small Model : EDSR-baseline

TABLE I: Quantitative results (scale $\times 2$) of our PSUS with different λ and baseline. PSNR(dB) and SSIM are tested on Y channel without self-ensemble [10]. DIV2Kval denotes DIV2K validation set. Best results are **highlighted**.

| | Baseline PSNR/SSIM | $\lambda = 0.875$ PSNR/SSIM | $\lambda = 0.75$ PSNR/SSIM | $\lambda = 0.5$ PSNR/SSIM |
|----------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Set5 | 37.96/ 0.9604 | 37.96/0.9603 | 37.98 /0.9603 | 37.98/0.9604 |
| Set14 | 33.51/0.9168 | 33.48/0.9163 | 33.52/ 0.9173 | 33.53 /0.9172 |
| BSD100 | 32.13/0.8991 | 32.12/0.8989 | 32.15/0.8994 | 32.15 /0.8993 |
| Urban100 | 31.80/0.9255 | 31.86/0.9261 | 31.96 /0.9268 | 31.95/ 0.9269 |
| DIV2Kval | 36.04/0.9449 | 36.06/0.9450 | 36.10/0.9453 | 36.11/0.9454 |
| Average | 34.29/0.9294 | 34.30/0.9293 | 34.34/0.9298 | 34.34/0.9298 |

TABLE III: Quantitative metrics of model complexity and computational cost for different $\times 4$ models.

| | EDSR-Baseline | PSUS with ResBlock |
|--------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Params | 1.518M | 1.483M (-2.3%) |
| FLOPs | 257.47G | 224.27G (-12.9%) |

TABLE IV: PSNR(dB) and SSIM results (scale $\times 4$) of baseline and our proposed PSUS. Best results are **highlighted**.

| | Baseline (from scratch) PSNR/SSIM | Baseline (from pre-trained $\times 2$) PSNR/SSIM | PSUS with ResBlock PSNR/SSIM |
|----------|---|---|------------------------------------|
| Set5 | 32.09/0.8936 | 32.11/0.8937 | 32.13/0.8938 |
| Set14 | 28.53/0.7807 | 28.56/0.7816 | 28.50/0.7805 |
| BSD100 | 27.55 /0.7352 | 27.54/ 0.7357 | 27.55 /0.7354 |
| Urban100 | 25.95/0.7817 | 26.00/ 0.7839 | 26.01/0.7839 |
| DIV2Kval | 30.38/0.8366 | 30.40/0.8373 | 30.42/0.8375 |



Experiments

■ Study on Large Model : RCAN

TABLE V: PSNR(dB) and SSIM results of RCAN and PSUS with RG. Best results are **highlighted**.

| Method | scale | Set5 PSNR/SSIM | Set14 PSNR/SSIM | BSD100 PSNR/SSIM | Urban100 PSNR/SSIM | Manga109 PSNR/SSIM |
|--------|------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| RCAN | $\times 2$ | 38.27 /0.9614 | 34.01/0.9216 | 32.39 /0.9023 | 33.23 / 0.9379 | 39.42 / 0.9785 |
| PSUS | $\times 2$ | 38.26/ 0.9615 | 34.07 / 0.9222 | 32.39 / 0.9024 | 33.23 /0.9376 | 39.37 / 0.9785 |
| RCAN | $\times 4$ | 32.57/ 0.8994 | 28.83 /0.7878 | 27.74 /0.7421 | 26.76 / 0.8067 | 31.12 / 0.9163 |
| PSUS | $\times 4$ | 32.59 /0.8992 | 28.81/ 0.7879 | 27.74 / 0.7424 | 26.71/0.8057 | 31.05/ 0.9163 |

TABLE VI: Quantitative metrics of model complexity and computational cost for RCAN and PSUS with RG.

| | scale | RCAN | PSUS |
|--------|------------|---------|---------|
| Params | $\times 2$ | 15.445M | 15.420M |
| | $\times 4$ | 15.592M | 15.591M |
| FLOPs | $\times 2$ | 1.989T | 1.986T |
| | $\times 4$ | 2.068T | 2.038T |

■ Study on Unsupervised Model: ZSSR

TABLE VII: Quantitative metrics of baseline and our proposed PSUS. Best PSNR(dB) and SSIM (scale $\times 2$) are **highlighted**.

| Method | Params | FLOPs | Set5 PSNR/SSIM | Set14 PSNR/SSIM | BSD100 PSNR/SSIM |
|----------|---------|--------|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| baseline | 372.80K | 48.99G | 36.23/0.9536 | 31.98/0.9037 | 30.98/ 0.8859 |
| PSUS | 373.12K | 49.03G | 36.28 / 0.9545 | 32.08 / 0.9046 | 31.04 /0.8849 |



Experiments

■ Visual Comparison

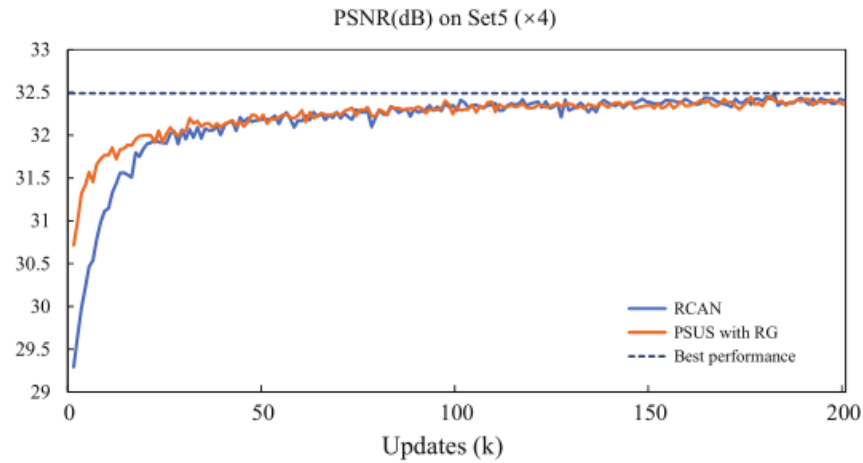


Fig. 6: PSNR on validation set of $\times 4$ models during first 2×10^5 iterations of training.

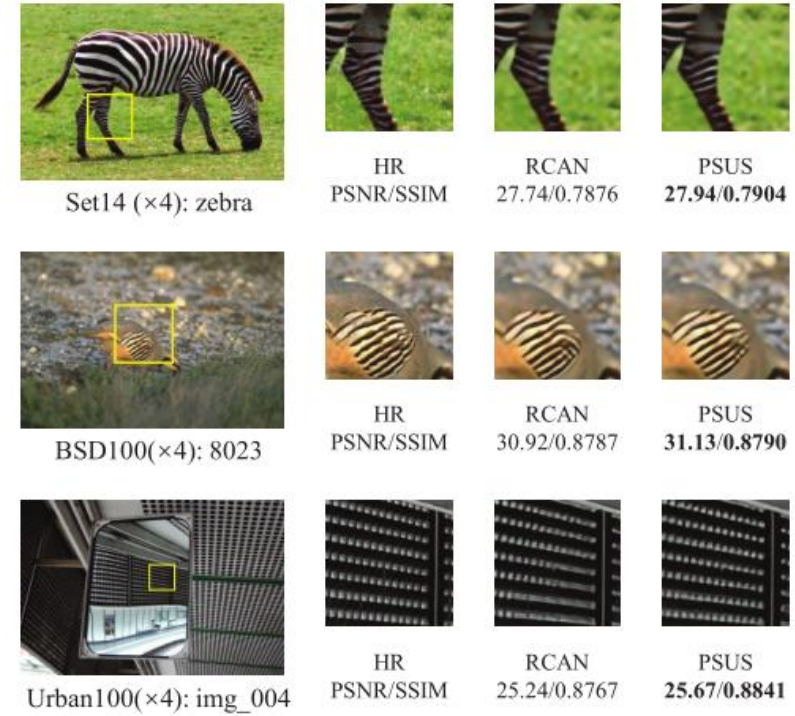


Fig. 7: Visual comparison for $\times 4$ SR. Best results are **high-lighted**.



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