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Peer Collaborative Learning for Polyphonic Sound Event Detection

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Polyphonic Sound Event Detection Task

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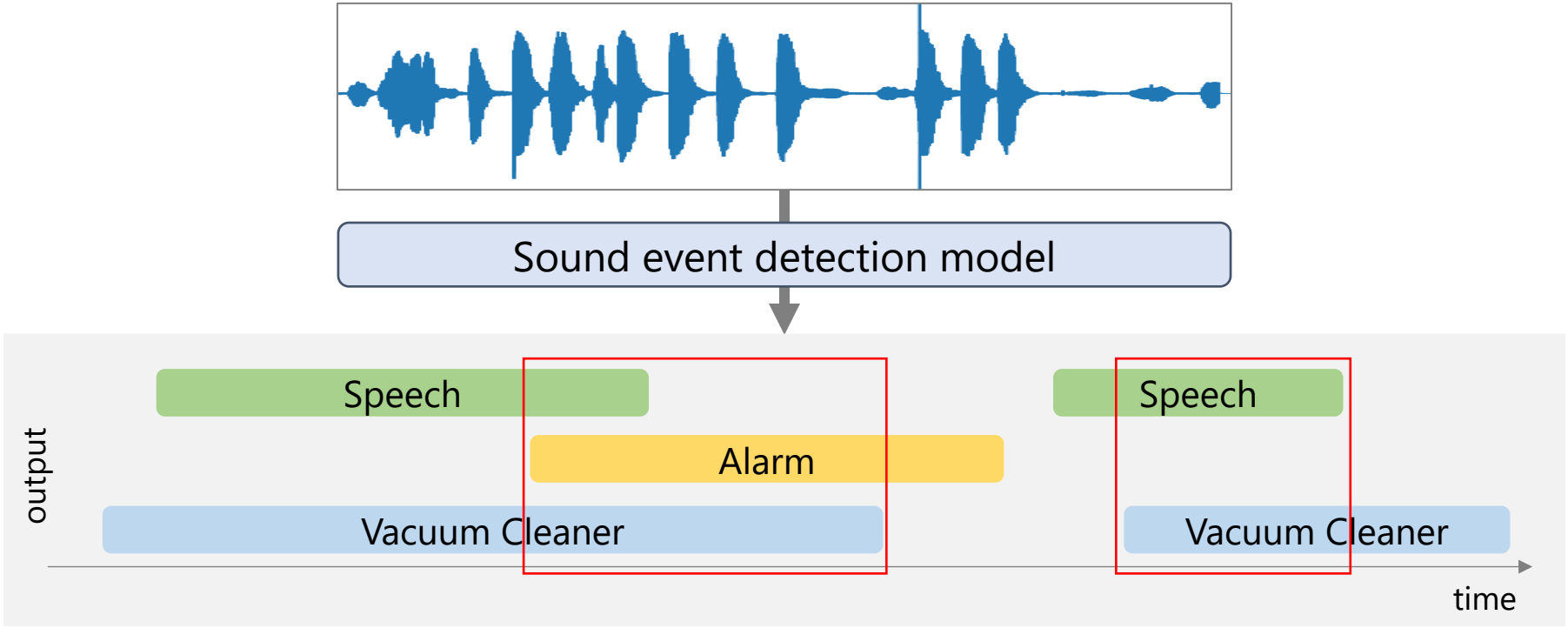
- DCASE2019・2020 Task 4 [1, 2] ※

※ DCASE : Detection and Classification of Acoustic Scenes and Events

  - Task Definition: detection of multiple sound event intervals in acoustic data for domestic environments



Goal: Improvement of detection accuracy of sound event intervals in practical environment situations

[1] N. Turpault, et al., "Sound event detection in domestic environments with weakly labeled data and soundscape synthesis," Proc. of DCASE2019, pp.253–257, 2019.
[2] N. Turpault, et al., "Training sound event detection on a heterogeneous dataset," Proc. of DCASE2020, pp. 200–204, 2020.

Label Information on the Task

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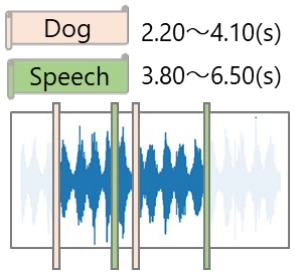
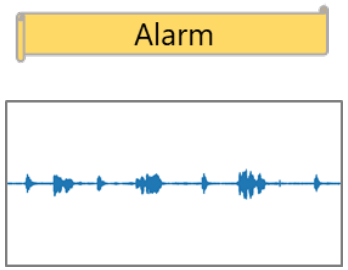
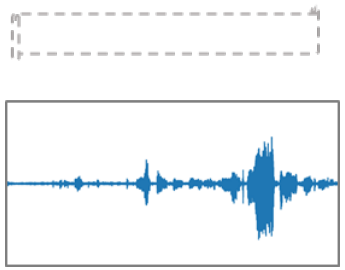
■ Three sorts of label types are included in the dataset

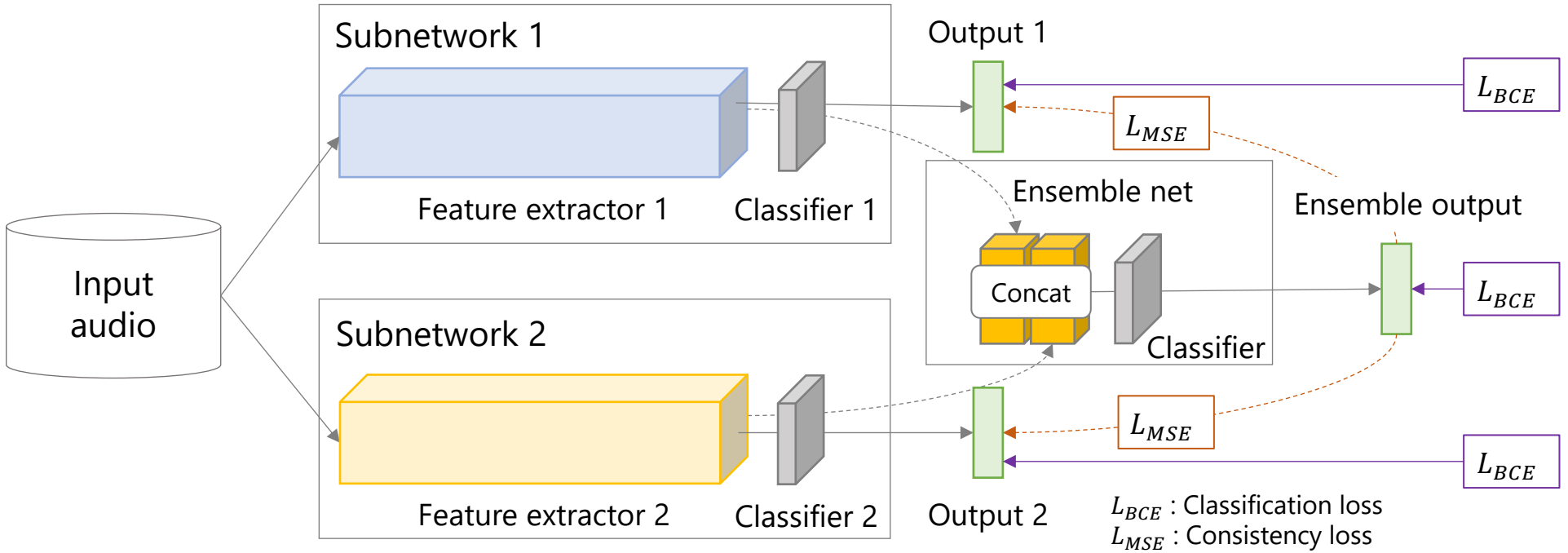
		Hard label	Soft label	Unlabeled
Label image				
Label	**class**	○	○	×
	interval	○	×	×
Amount of data		small	small	large
Difficulty of collection		high	middle	low

Because collecting hard-labeled data is very costly, soft-labeled or unlabeled data should be utilized

This study proposes a model structure that can utilize soft-labeled and unlabeled data

Related Work (1/2)

- Online Knowledge Distillation [3]
  - Considering the output of the ensemble net as a reference, each subnetwork extracts powerful features for classification



Improved performance of each subnetwork ➡ Improved overall performance

[3] J. Kim, M. Hyun, I. Chung, N. Kwak, "Feature Fusion for Online Mutual Knowledge Distillation," Proc. of the 2020 25th International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR), pp. 4619-4625, 2020.

Related Work (2/2)

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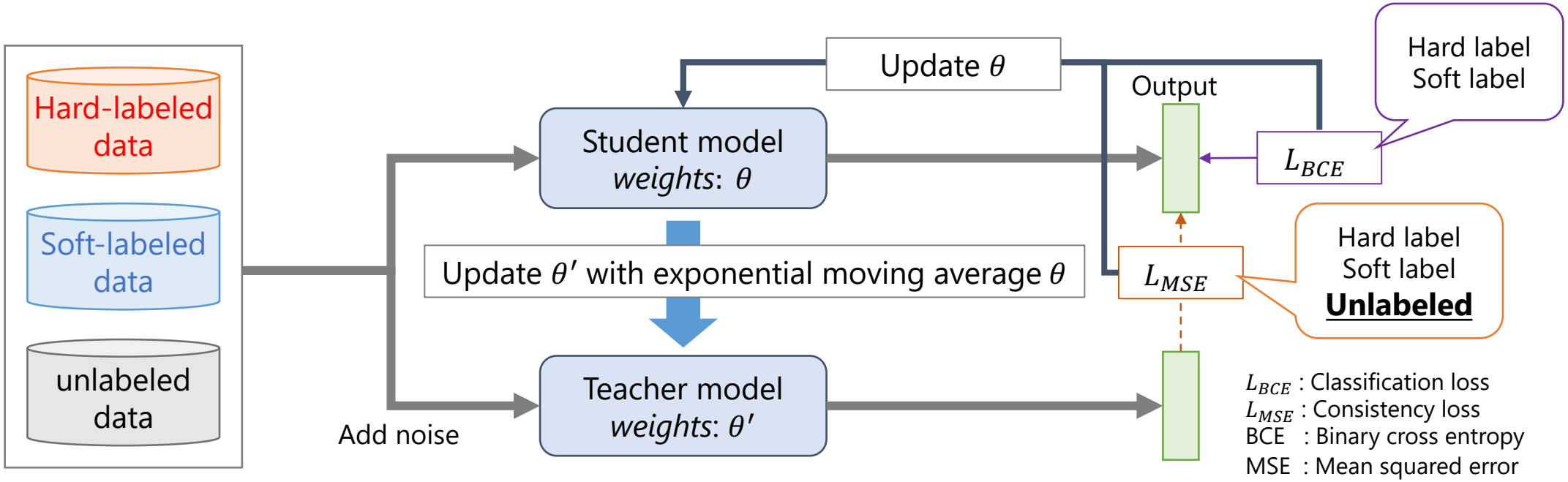
- Mean-Teacher model (the baseline model of the DCASE 2019・2020 Task4)
  - Student model (For training and evaluation) : Use the recent weights for classification
  - Teacher model (For training only) : Use the past to recent weights of the student model



Guiding the student model training, effective use of unlabeled data

Summary of Our Research

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- **Goal** of our research
  - Improvement of accuracy of sound event detection on the DCASE Task 4
- **Proposed approach**
  - Use Peer Collaborative Learning (PCL) [4], an integration and development of online knowledge distillation and mean-teacher approaches
  - Propose an effective combination of PCL and acoustic data augmentation

※ F1-score was used as evaluation measure

RESULT: Baseline (31.1%※) ▶ Proposed (44.2%※)

[4] Guile Wu and Shaogang Gong, "Peer collaborative learning for online knowledge distillation," Proc. of AAAI 2021, vol. 35, no. 12, pp. 10302–10310, May 2021.

【Proposed】PCL with Data Augmentation

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Pre-processing

Input data: X

Hard-labeled data

Soft-labeled data

Unlabeled

Data augmentation (DA)

① X (w/o DA)

② X + mixup

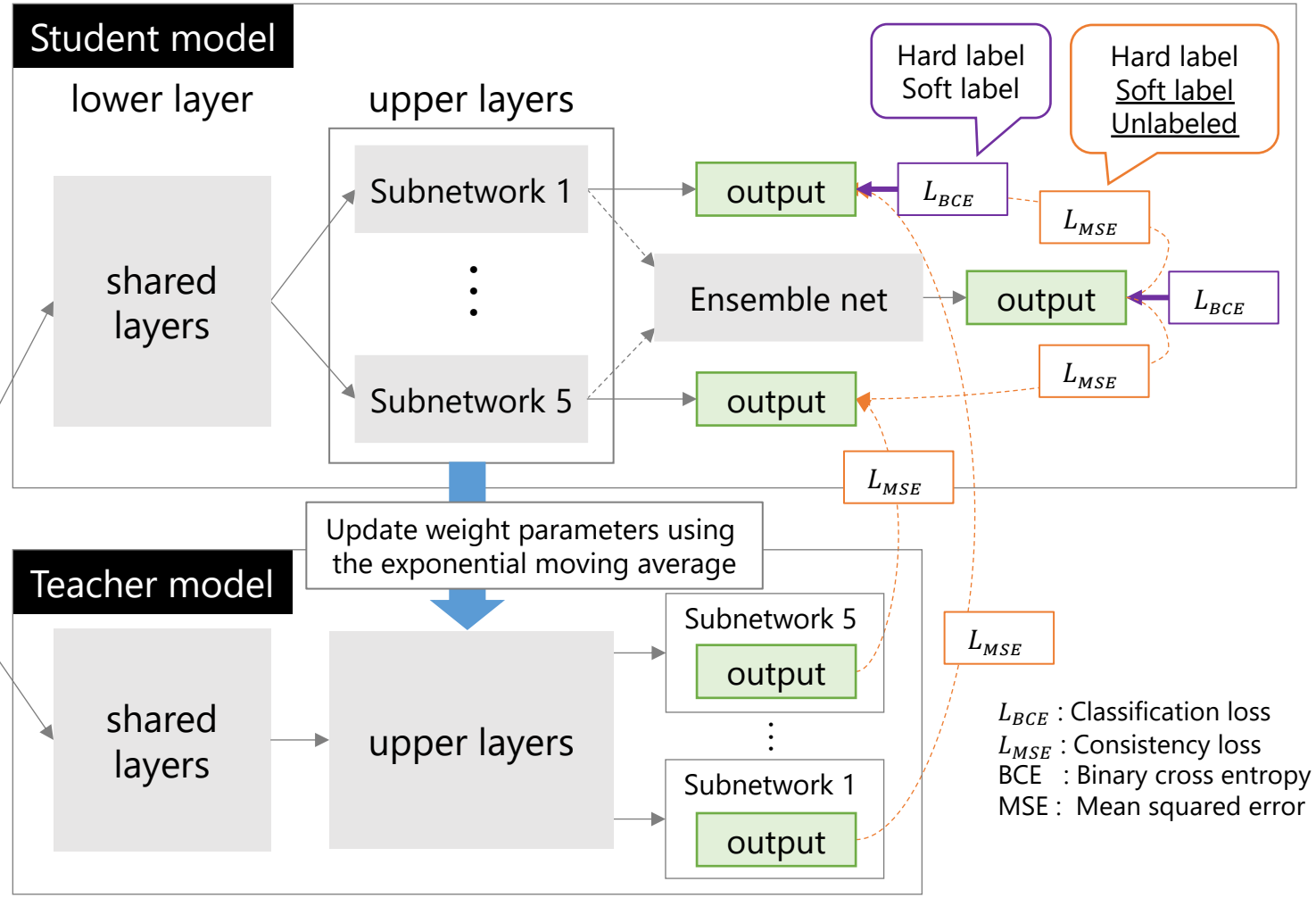
③ X + Gaussian noise

④ X + frequency mask

⑤ X + (③+④)

X_1 X_2 X_3 X_4 X_5

Peer Collaborative Learning (PCL)



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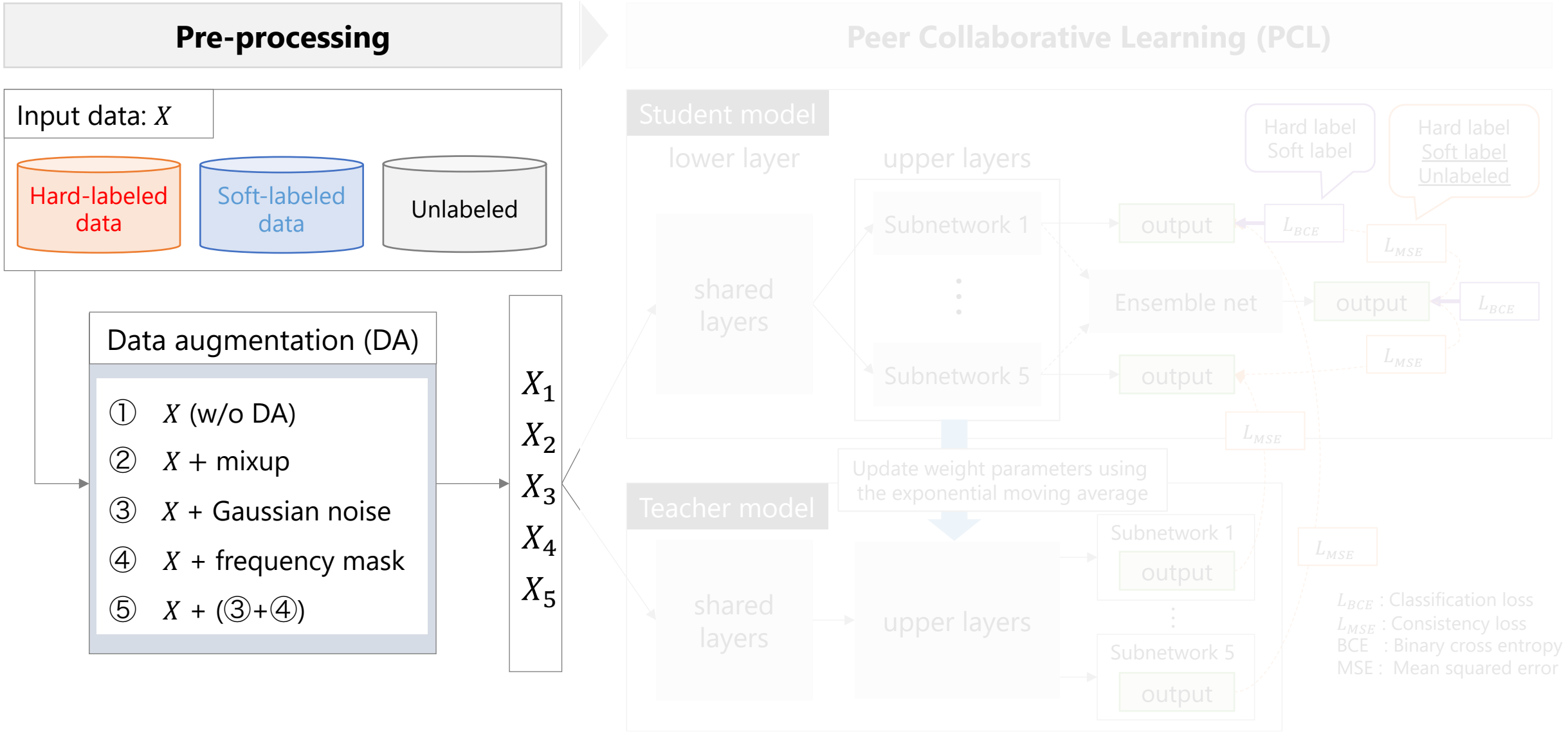

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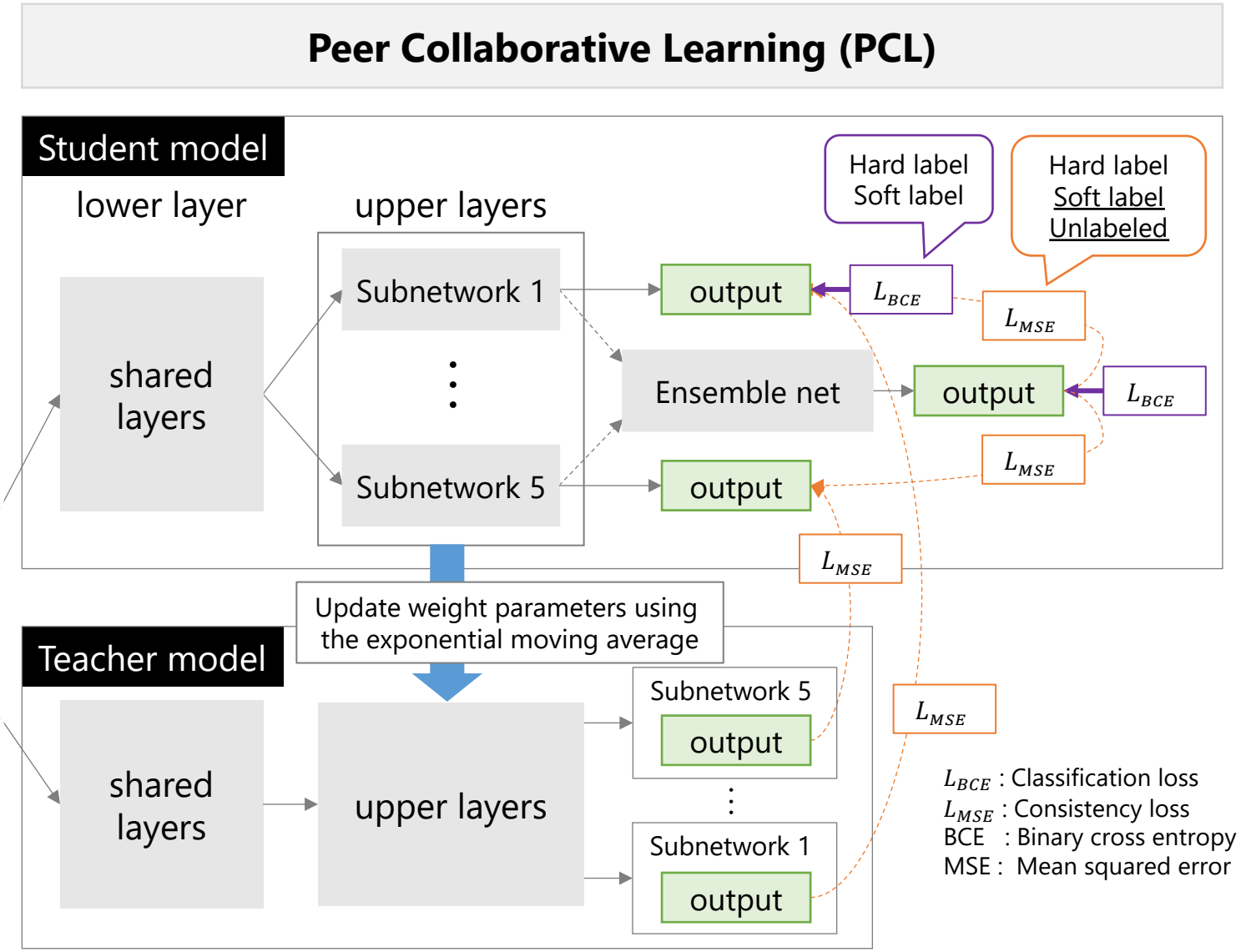
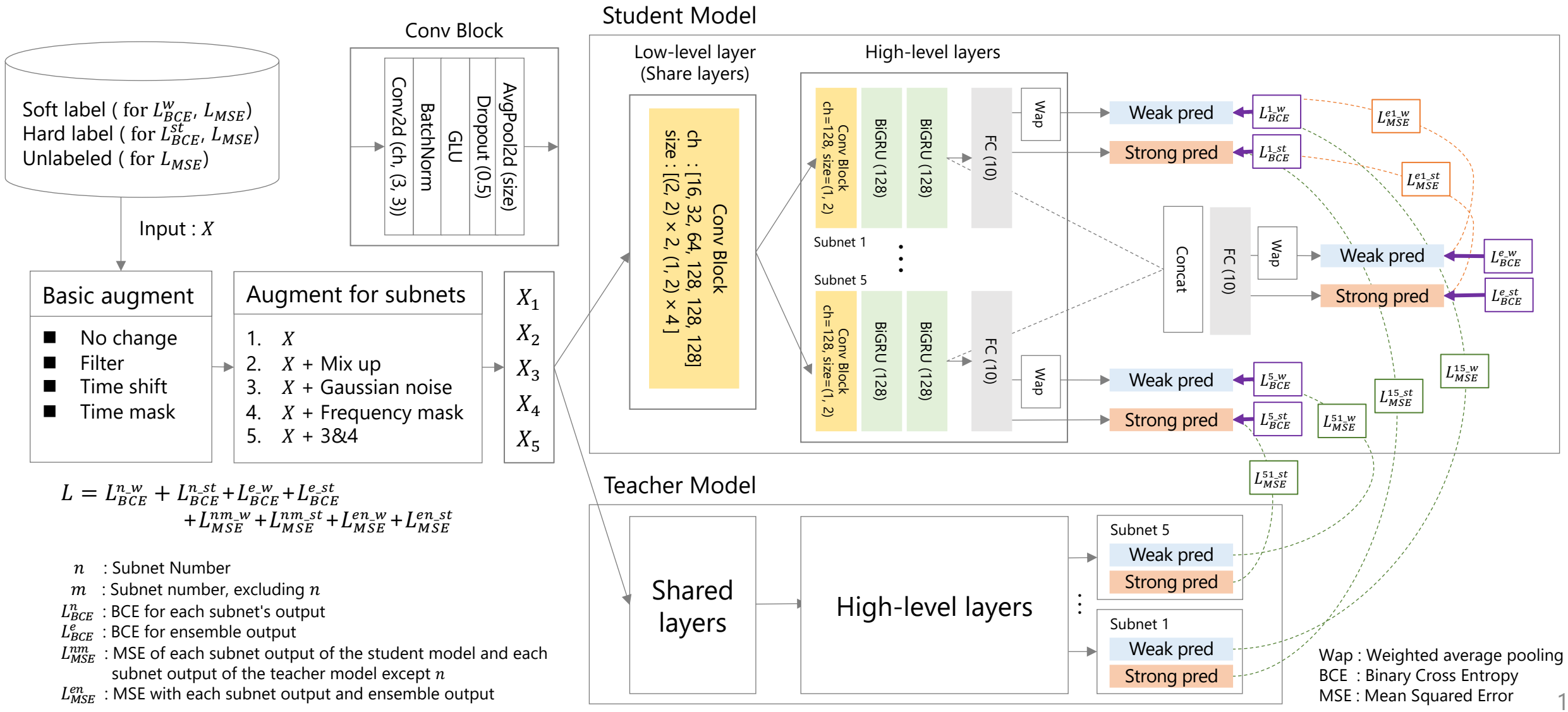


PCL Model Details



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n : Subnet Number
m : Subnet number, excluding n
L_{BCE}^{n} : BCE for each subnet's output
L_{BCE}^{e} : BCE for ensemble output
L_{MSE}^{nm} : MSE of each subnet output of the student model and each subnet output of the teacher model except n
L_{MSE}^{en} : MSE with each subnet output and ensemble output

Wap : Weighted average pooling
BCE : Binary Cross Entropy
MSE : Mean Squared Error

Experimental Setup

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- Dataset
  - DCASE 2019 Task4 [1]
  - Sounds expected to occur in home environment (1 file = 10 seconds duration)

	Label type	# of data [/file]	Remarks
Training	Hard label	2,045	Known event intervals
	Soft label	1,578	Unknown event intervals
	Unlabeled	14,412	
Validation	Hard label	1,168	Known event intervals
Evaluation		692	

Num. of event classes: 10	
Alarm/bell/ringing	Electric shaver/ toothbrush
Blender	Frying
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- Evaluation measure
  - F1-score [%] based on the interval of sound event occurrence
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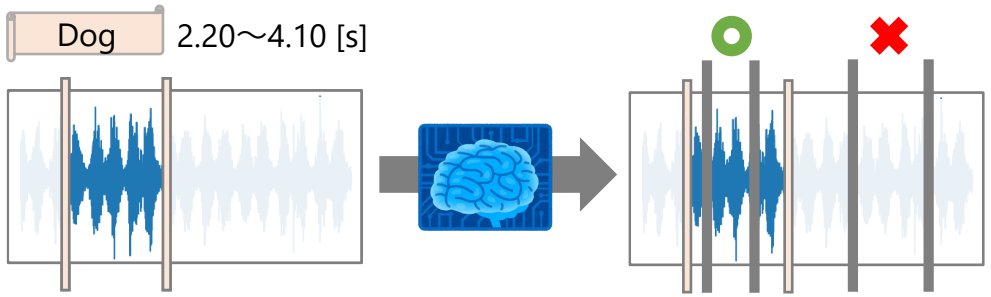

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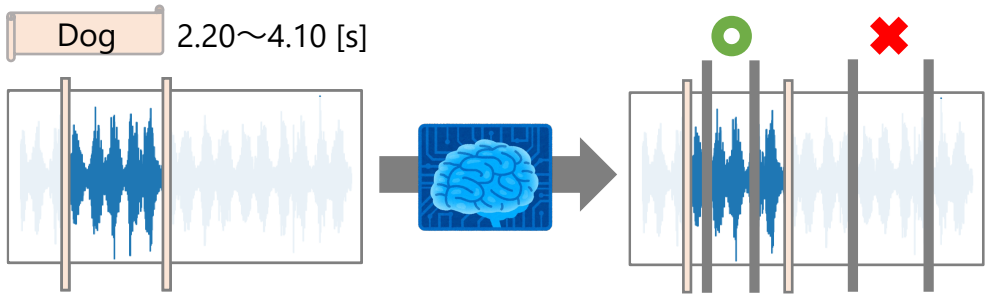

Four Competitive Approaches

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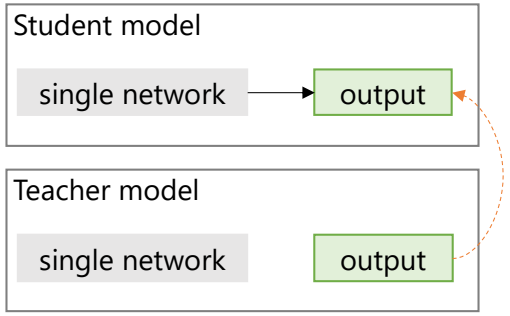
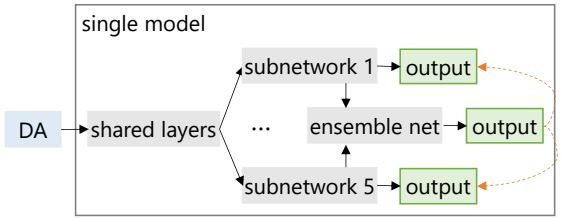
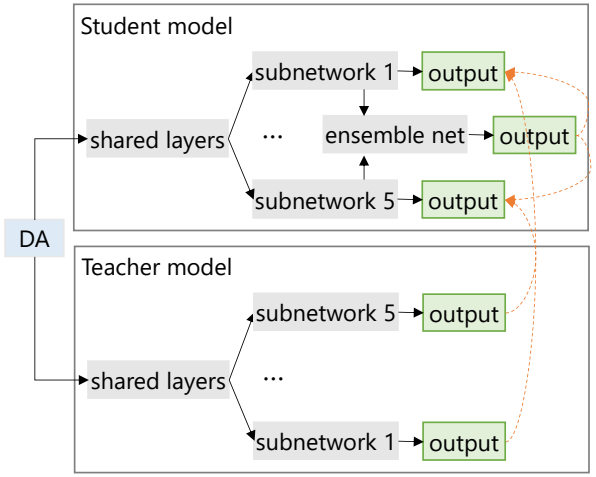
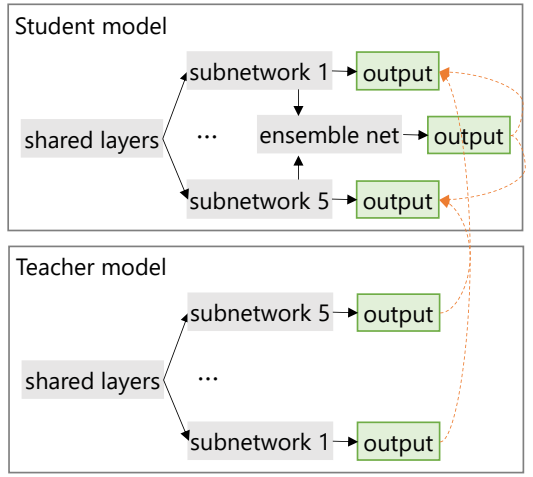
Online KD w/ DA: Online knowledge distillation with data augmentation
PCL w/ DA: Peer collaborative learning with data augmentation
PCL w/o DA: Peer collaborative learning without data augmentation

	Baseline (mean-teacher)	Online KD[3] w/ DA	PCL w/ DA (proposed)	PCL w/o DA
Model image				

Evaluation Results (F1-score [%])

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Conclusions

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- Motivation (Goal)
  - Improvement of accuracy of polyphonic sound event detection on the DCASE Task4 task
- Proposed approach
  - **Peer collaborative learning** model, which evolved from the online knowledge distillation and mean-teacher methods with **audio data augmentation**
- Experimental results (F1-score)
  - Baseline (mean-teacher) 31.1% →⇨⇛ PCL with data augmentation **44.2%**
- Future work
  - We will implement and experiment with new knowledge distillation methods, such as collaborating with other knowledge distillation methods