## Supplementary Material for SegRefiner: Towards Model-Agnostic Segmentation Refinement with Discrete Diffusion Process

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## **1 Implementation Details**

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2 In this section, we give a detailed description of the model architecture and training/inference set-

3 tings. The overall workflow of the training and inference process are provided in Alg. 1 and Alg. 2.

Algorithm 1 Training Input total diffusion steps *T*, datasets  $D = \{(I, M_{fine}, M_{coarse})^K\}$ repeat Sample  $(I, M_{fine}, M_{coarse}) \sim D$ Sample  $t \sim Uniform(1, \dots, T)$ Initialize  $m_0 = M_{fine}, x_0^{i,j} = [1, 0]$   $q(x_t^{i,j}|x_0^{i,j}) = x_0^{i,j}\bar{Q}_t$ Sample  $x_t^{i,j} \sim q(x_t^{i,j}|x_0^{i,j})$ , get  $x_t \in \{0, 1\}^{2 \times H \times W}$ Pixels Transition  $m_t = x_t[0] \odot M_{fine} + x_t[1] \odot M_{coarse}$ Take gradient descent step on  $\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(f_{\theta}(I, m_t, t), M_{fine})$ until convergence

Algorithm 2 Inference Input total diffusion steps T, image and coarse mask  $(I, M_{coarse})$ Initialize  $x_T = [0, 1], m_T = M_{coarse}$ for t in  $\{T, T - 1, ..., 1\}$  do  $\tilde{m}_{0|t}, p_{\theta}(\tilde{m}_{0|t}) = f_{\theta}(I, m_t, t)$   $p_{\theta}(x_{t-1}^{i,j}|x_t^{i,j}) = x_t^{i,j}P_{\theta,t}^{i,j}$ Sample  $x_t^{i,j} \sim p_{\theta}(x_{t-1}^{i,j}|x_t^{i,j})$ , get  $x_t \in \{0,1\}^{2 \times H \times W}$ Pixels Transition  $m_{t-1} = x_{t-1}[0] \odot \tilde{m}_{0|t} + x_{t-1}[1] \odot M_{coarse}$ return  $m_0$ 

5 **Model Architecture** Following [9], we use a U-Net with 4-channel input and 1-channel output. 6 Both input and output resolution is set to  $256 \times 256$ . Considering computational load and memory 7 usage, we set the intermediate feature channels to 128 and only conduct *self-attention* in strides 16 8 and 32.

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9 **Training Settings** All experiments are conducted on 8 NVIDIA RTX3090 GPUs with Pytorch. 10 During training, we first train the *LR-SegRefiner* on the LVIS dataset [4] with 120k iterations. The 11 AdamW optimizer is used with the initial learning rate of  $4 \times 10^{-4}$ . We use a multi-step learning rate 12 schedule, which decays by 0.5 in steps 80k and 100k. Subsequently, the *HR-SegRefiner* is obtained 13 from 40k-iterations fine-tuning based on the 80k checkpoint of *LR-SegRefiner*. Batch size is set to 8 14 in each GPU.

**Inference Settings** In instance segmentation, we use the *LR-SegRefiner* to perform refinement in instance level. For each instance, we extract the bounding box region based on the coarse mask and expand it by 20 pixels on each side. The extracted region is then resized to match the input size of the model. After a complete reverse diffusion process, the output is resized to the original size.

In semantic segmentation and dichotomous image segmentation, because of the high resolution of
images, we employ the *HR-SegRefiner* and conduct a global-and-local refinement process. In order
to identify the local patches that require refinement, we filter out pixels with low state-transition
probabilities from the globally refined mask and use them as the center points for the local patches.
We apply Non-Maximum Suppression (NMS, with 0.3 as threshold) to these patches to remove
excessive overlapping.

## **25 2 More Visual Comparisons**

In this section, we provide more visual results in semantic segmentation, instance segmentation, and 26 dichotomous image segmentation. Fig. 1 shows the comparisons of SegRefiner and other models (in-27 cluding instance segmentation models and refinement models) on COCO [8] validation set. Fig. 2 28 shows more comparisons between the coarse masks and refined masks on COCO validation set. 29 These results demonstrate that the proposed SegRfiner can robustly correct inaccurate predictions in 30 31 coarse masks. Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 show visual results on BIG dataset [2] and DIS5K dataset [10]. Seg-Refiner shows a strong capability for capturing extremely fine details on these two high-resolution 32 33 datasets.

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(a) Image









(b) Mask R-CNN [5]



























(f) PointRend [7]

Figure 1: Visual comparisons with other instance segmentation and refinement methods on COCO dataset. Our SegRefiner can robustly correct prediction errors both outside and inside the coarse mask. (Please refer to the next page for the remaining portion of this figure.)



(g) RefineMask [15]





















(i) Mask R-CNN + SegFix [14]



(j) Mask R-CNN + BPR [11]



(k) Mask R-CNN + SegRefiner (Ours)

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(a) Coarse Mask

(b) Refined Mask

Figure 2: More visual results on COCO dataset. Coarse masks are obtained from Mask R-CNN [5]. Our SefRefiner corrects the errors of coarse masks (see Refined Mask).



Figure 3: More visual results on BIG dataset [2]. Coarse masks are obtained from Deeplab v3+ [1]. Our SefRefiner greatly enhances the mask quality (see Refined Mask). Please kindly zoom in for a better view.



Figure 4: More visual results on DIS5K dataset [10]. Coarse masks are obtained from ISNet [10]. Our SefRefiner captures extremely fine details (see Refined Mask). Please kindly zoom in for a better view.