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Category-level Localization

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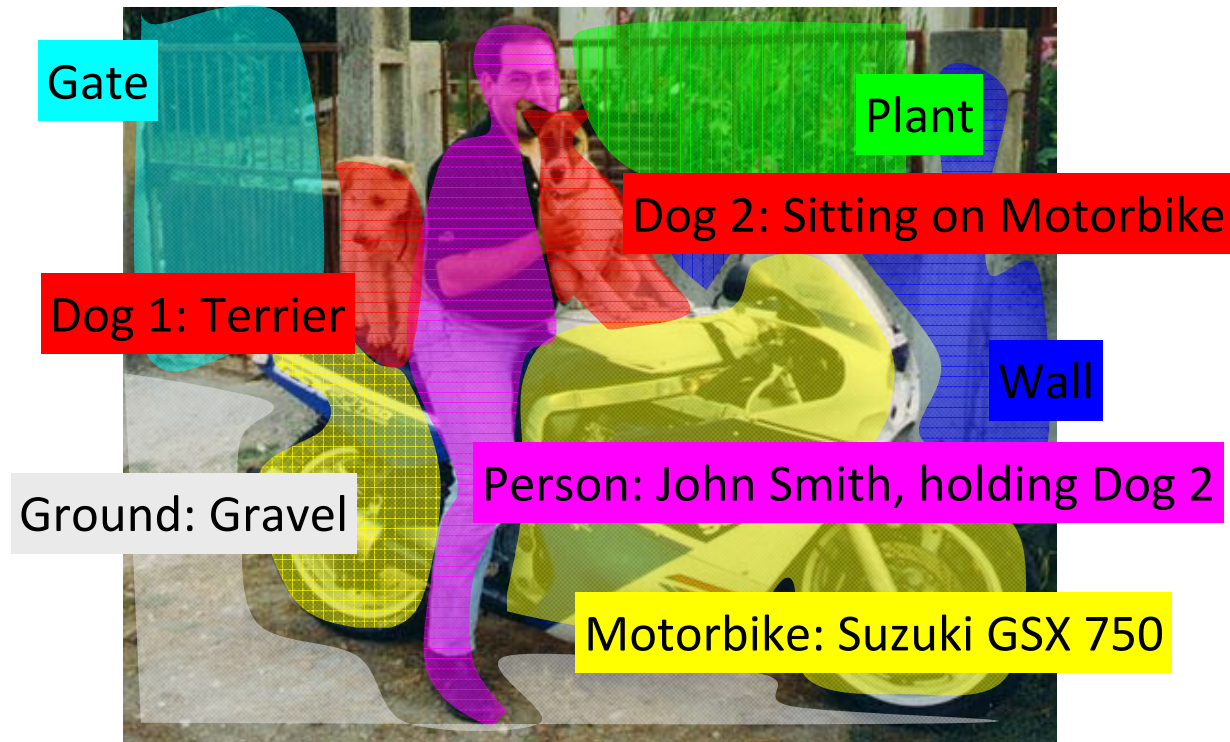
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What we would like to be able to do...

- Visual scene understanding
- **What** is in the image and **where**



- Object categories, identities, properties, activities, relations, ...

Recognition Tasks

- **Image Classification**

- Does the image contain an aeroplane?



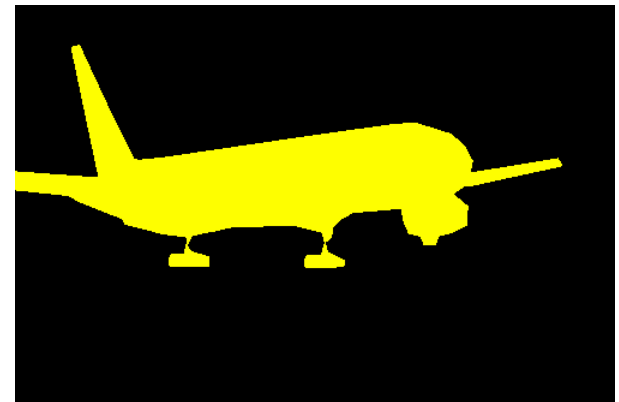
- **Object Class Detection/Localization**

- Where are the aeroplanes (if any)?



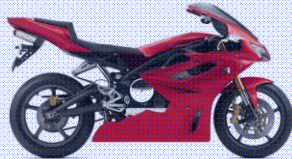
- **Object Class Segmentation**

- Which pixels are part of an aeroplane (if any)?



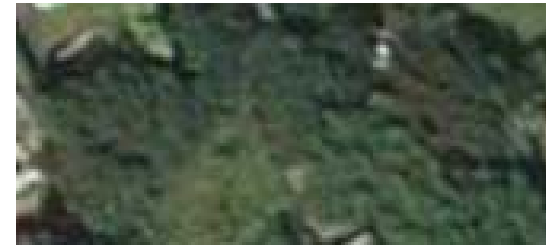
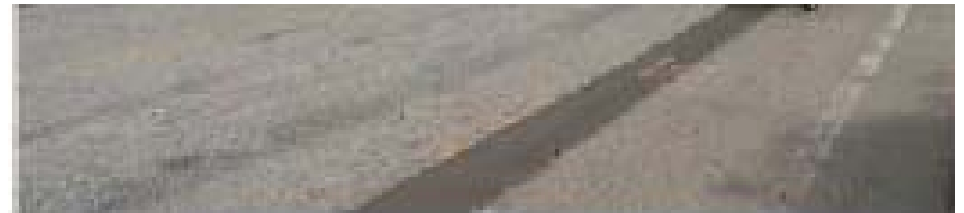
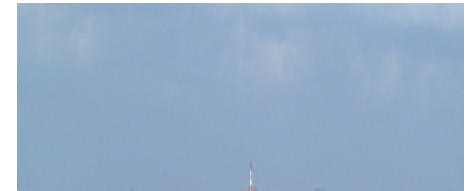
Things vs. Stuff

Thing (n): An object with a specific size and shape.



Ted Adelson, Forsyth et al. 1996.

Stuff (n): Material defined by a homogeneous or repetitive pattern of fine-scale properties, but has no specific or distinctive spatial extent or shape.



Recognition Task

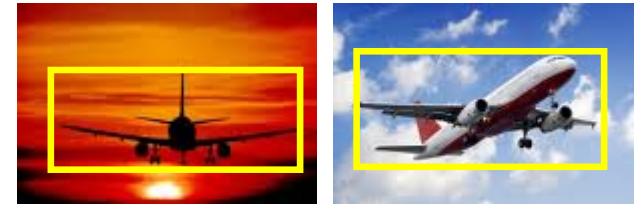
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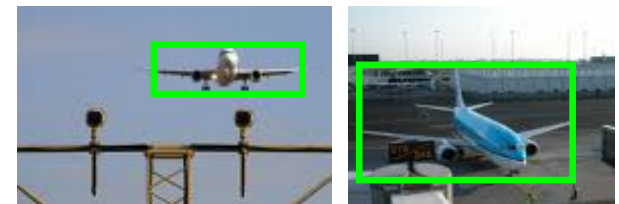
- **Challenges**

- Imaging factors e.g. lighting, pose, occlusion
- Intra-class variation



- **Compared to Classification**

- Detailed prediction e.g. bounding box
- Location usually provided for training



Challenges: Background Clutter



Challenges: Occlusion and truncation



Challenges: Intra-class variation



Object Category Recognition by Learning

- Difficult to define model of a category. Instead, **learn** from **example images**

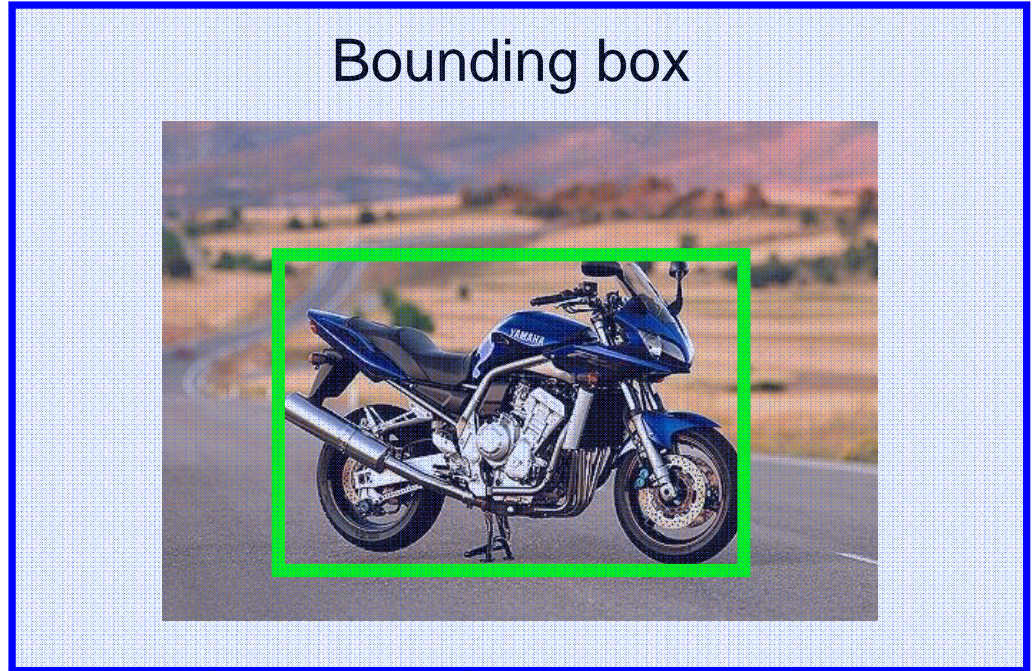


Level of Supervision for Learning

Image-level label



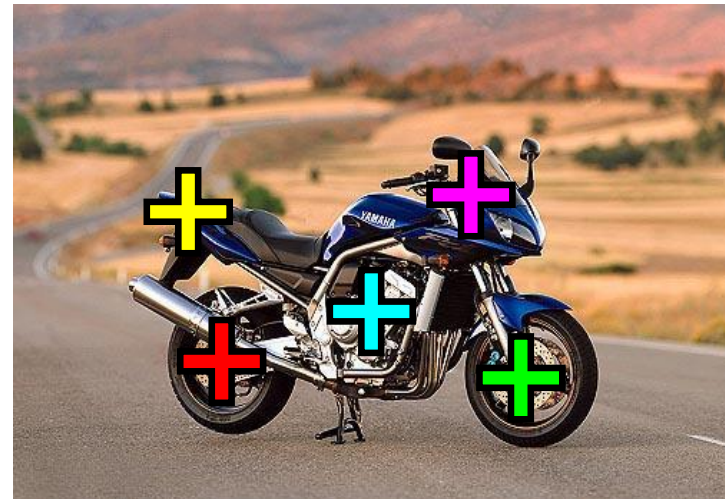
Bounding box



Pixel-level segmentation



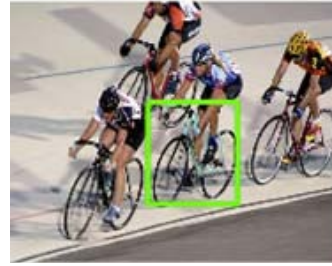
“Parts”



Preview of typical results



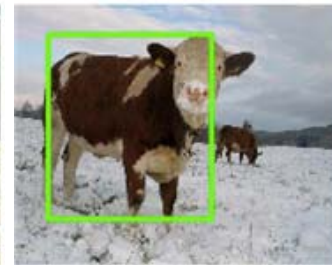
aeroplane



bicycle



car



cow



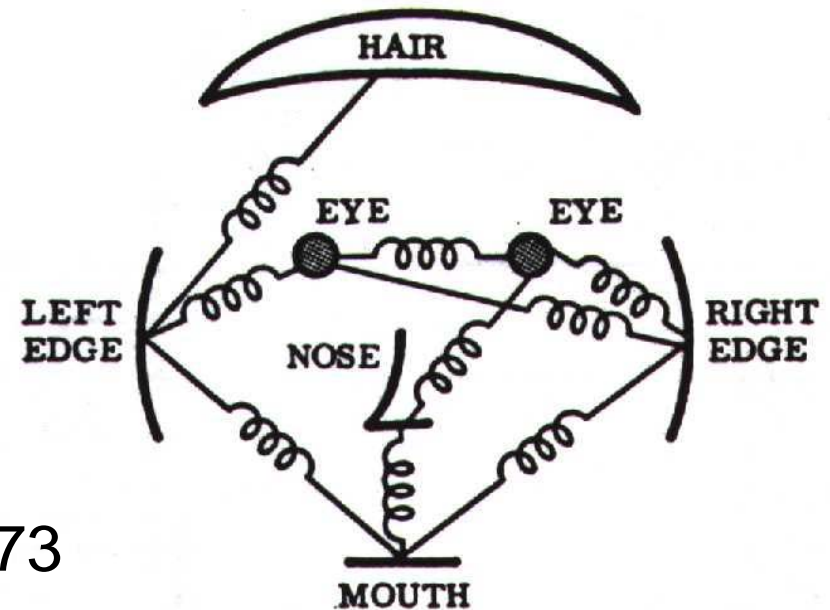
horse



motorbike

Class of model: Pictorial Structure

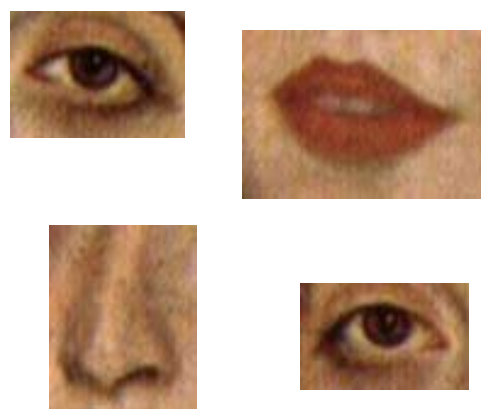
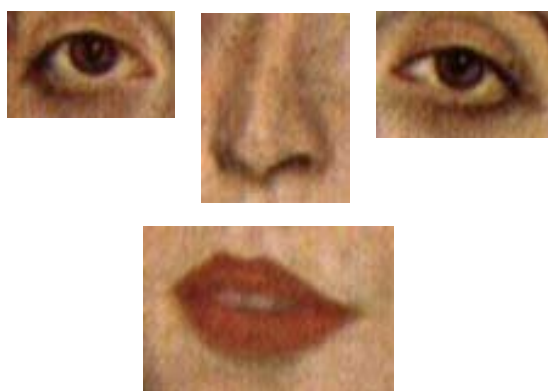
- Intuitive model of an object
- Model has two components
 1. parts (2D image fragments)
 2. structure (configuration of parts)
- Dates back to Fischler & Elschlager 1973



Is this complexity of representation necessary ?

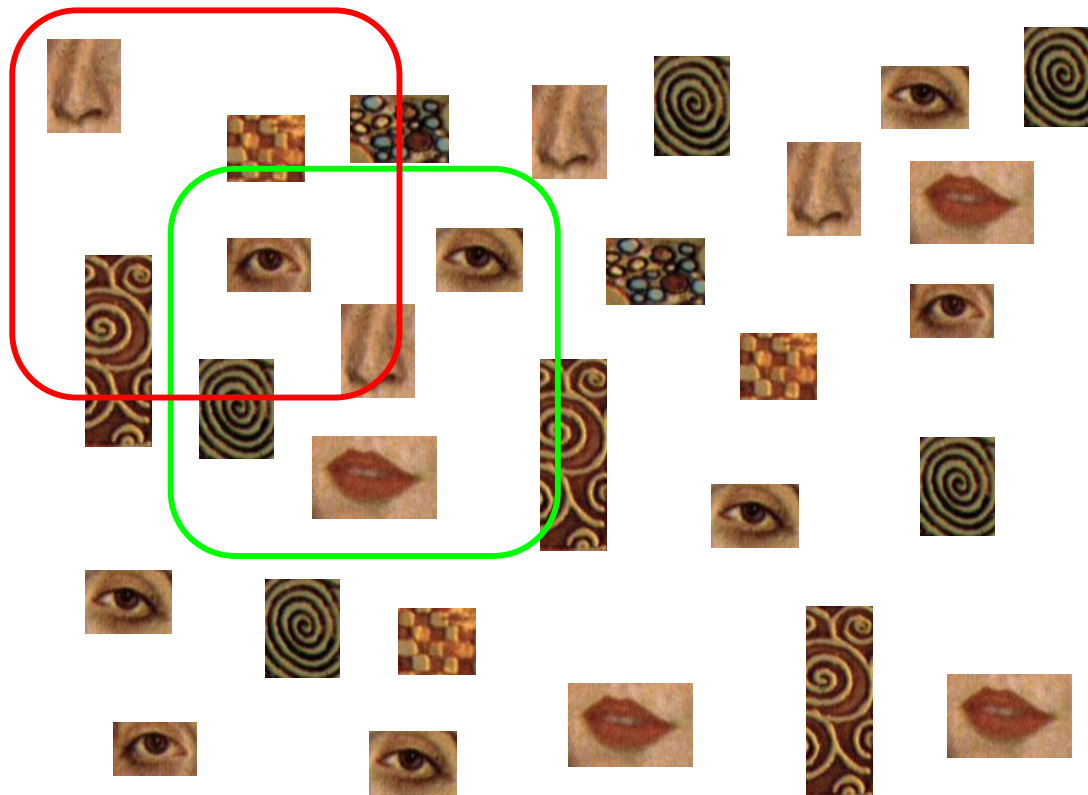
Which features?

Restrict spatial deformations



Problem of background clutter

- Use a sub-window
 - At correct position, no clutter is present
 - Slide window to detect object
 - Change size of window to search over scale



Outline

1. Sliding window detectors
2. Features and adding spatial information
3. Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG)
4. Two state of the art algorithms and PASCAL VOC
5. The future and challenges

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- Start: feature/classifier agnostic
- Method
- Problems/limitations

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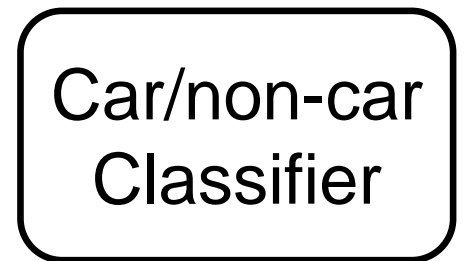
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Detection by Classification

- Basic component: binary classifier



No,
not a car

Detection by Classification

- Detect objects in clutter by search



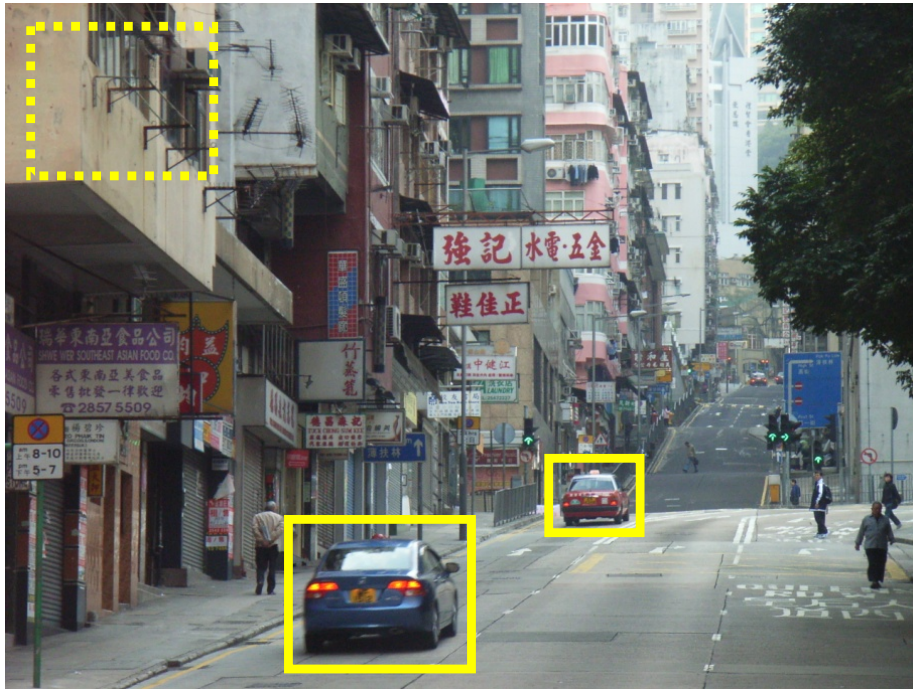
Car/non-car
Classifier



- **Sliding window:** exhaustive search over position and scale

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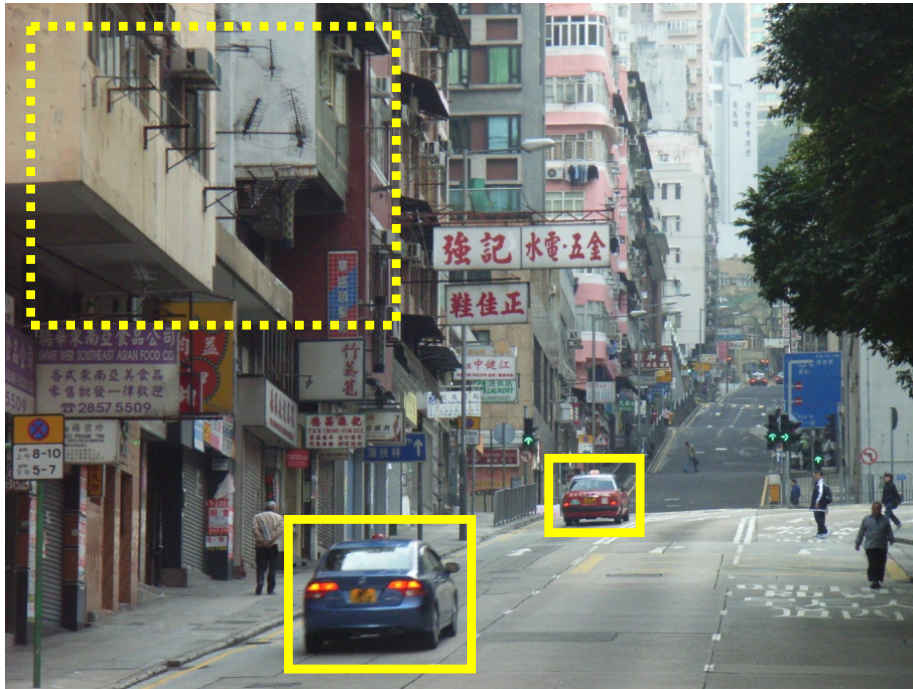


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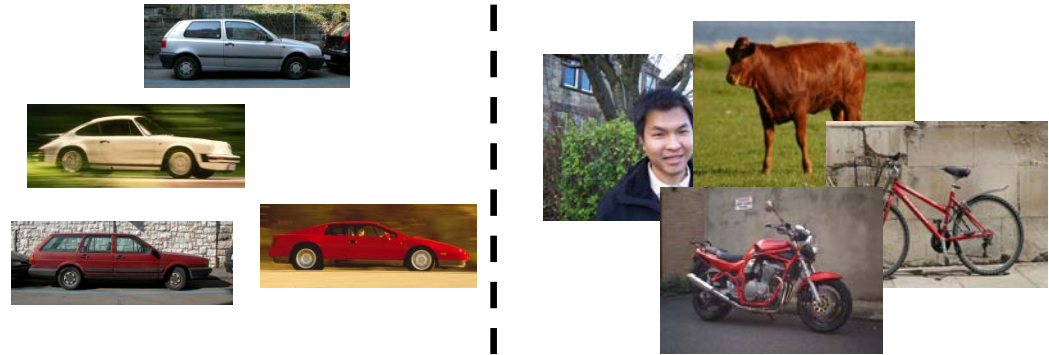
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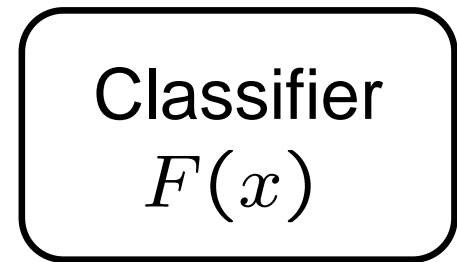
- **Sliding window:** exhaustive search over position and scale
(can use same size window over a spatial pyramid of images)

Window (Image) Classification

Training Data



\mathbf{x}



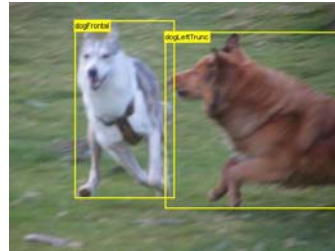
Car/Non-car

$$P(c|\mathbf{x}) \propto F(\mathbf{x})$$

- Features usually engineered
- Classifier learnt from data

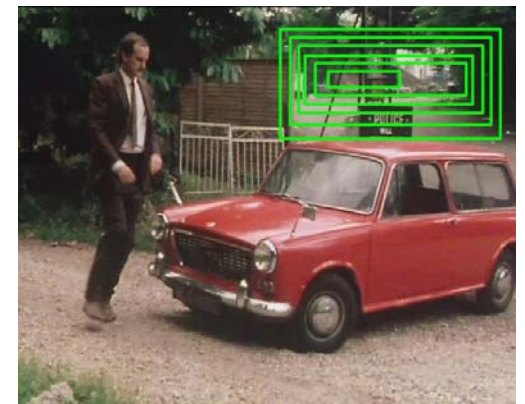
Problems with sliding windows ...

- aspect ratio
- granularity (finite grid)
- partial occlusion
- multiple responses



See work by

- Christoph Lampert et al CVPR 08, ECCV 08

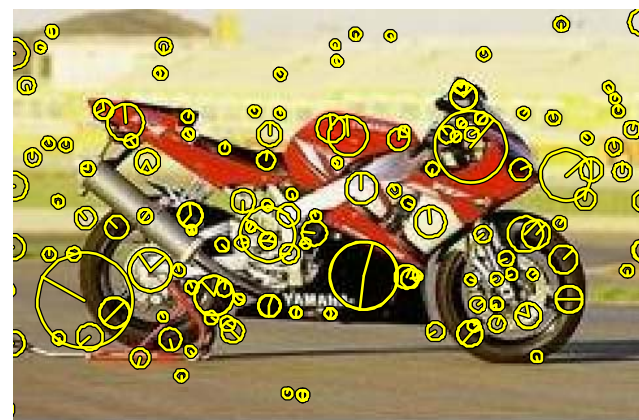
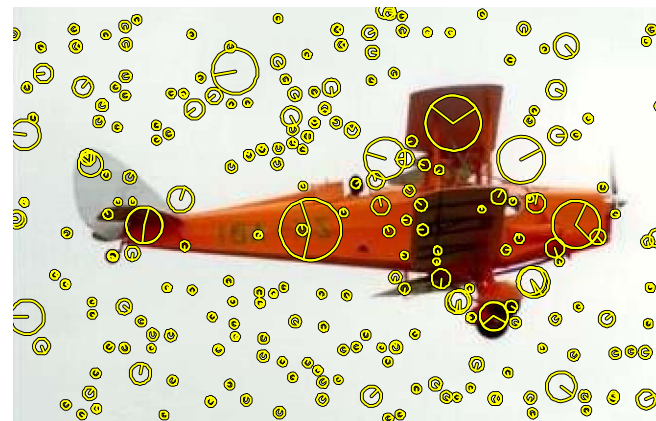


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 - Bag of visual word (BoW) models
 - Beyond BoW I: Constellation and ISM models
 - Beyond BoW II: Grids and spatial pyramids
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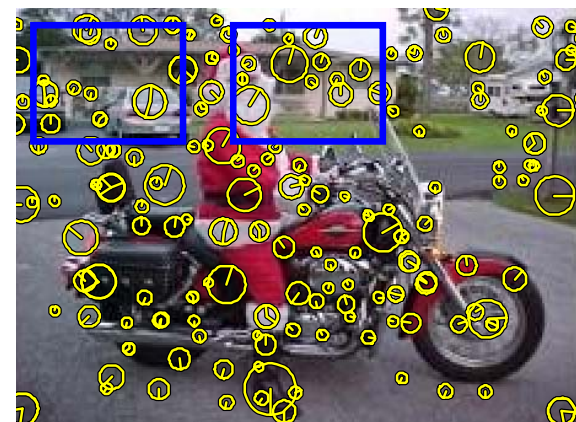
Recap: Bag of (visual) Words representation

- Detect affine invariant local features (e.g. affine-Harris)
- Represent by high-dimensional descriptors, e.g. 128-D for SIFT
- Map descriptors onto a common vocabulary of **visual words**

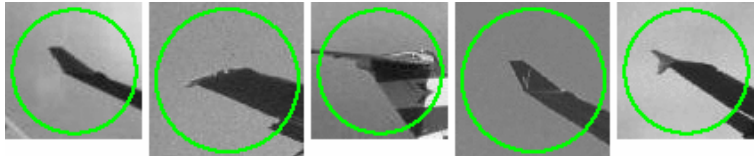



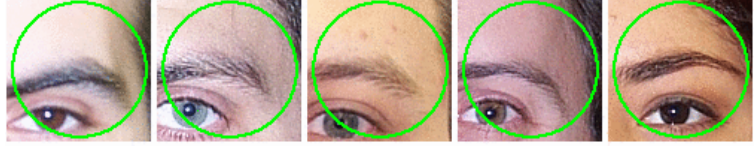
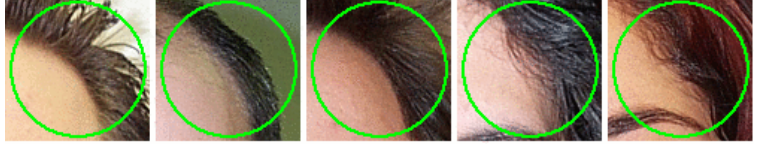
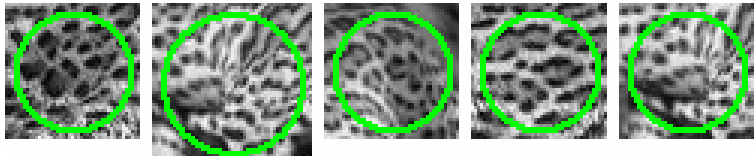

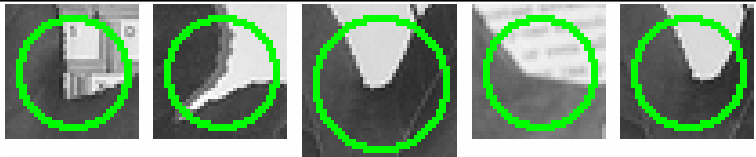
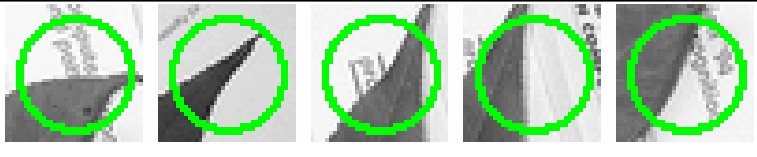

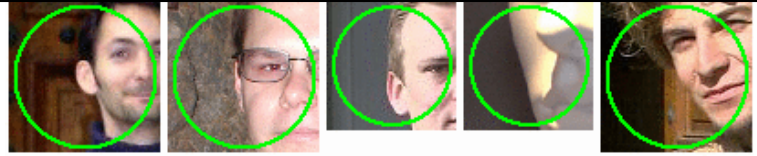




Represent **sliding window** as a histogram over visual words – a **bag of words**

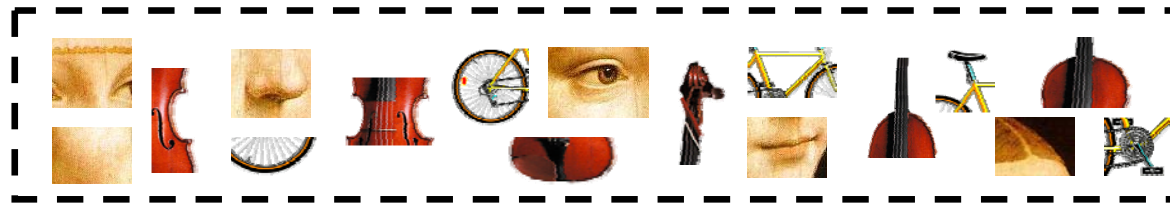
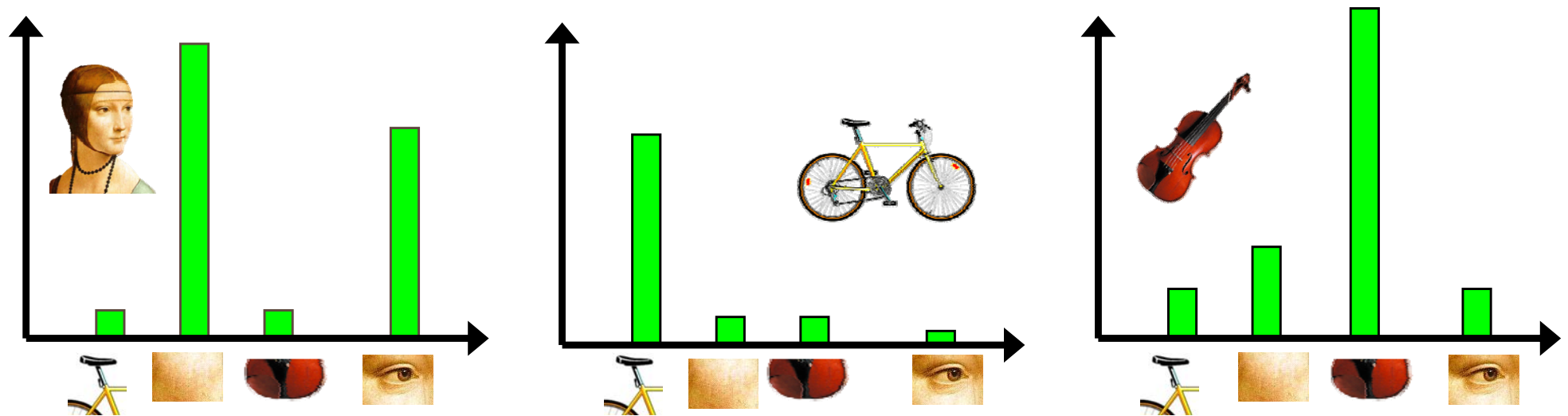
- Summarizes sliding window content in a fixed-length vector suitable for classification



Examples for visual words

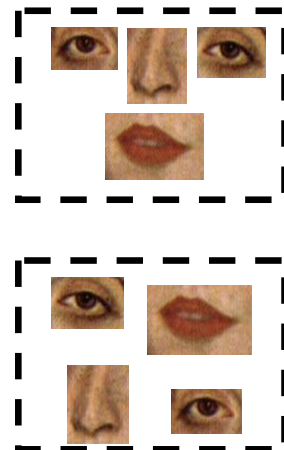
Airplanes		
Motorbikes		
Faces		
Wild Cats		
Leaves		
People		
Bikes		

Intuition

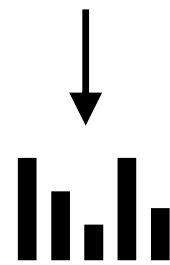
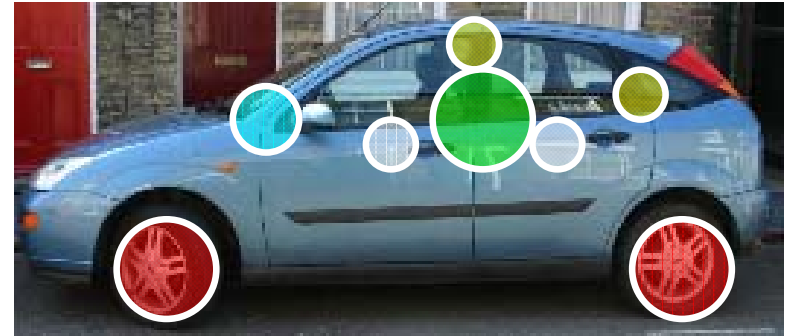
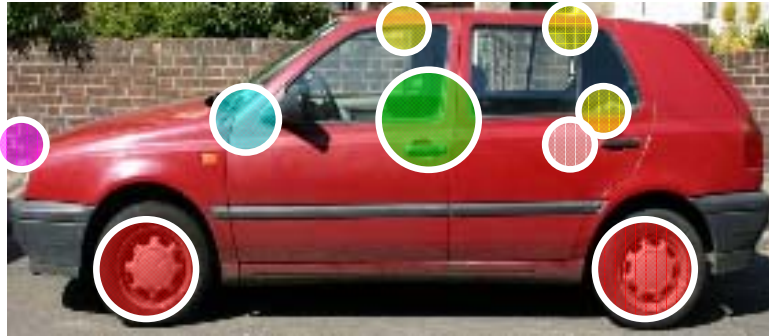


Visual Vocabulary

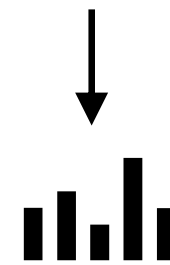
- Visual words represent “iconic” image fragments
- Feature detectors and SIFT give invariance to local rotation and scale
- Discarding spatial information gives configuration invariance



Learning from positive ROI examples



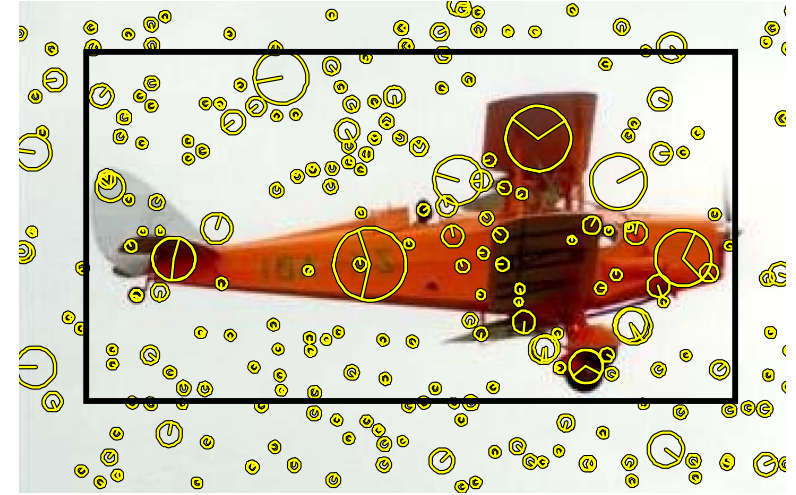
Bag of Words



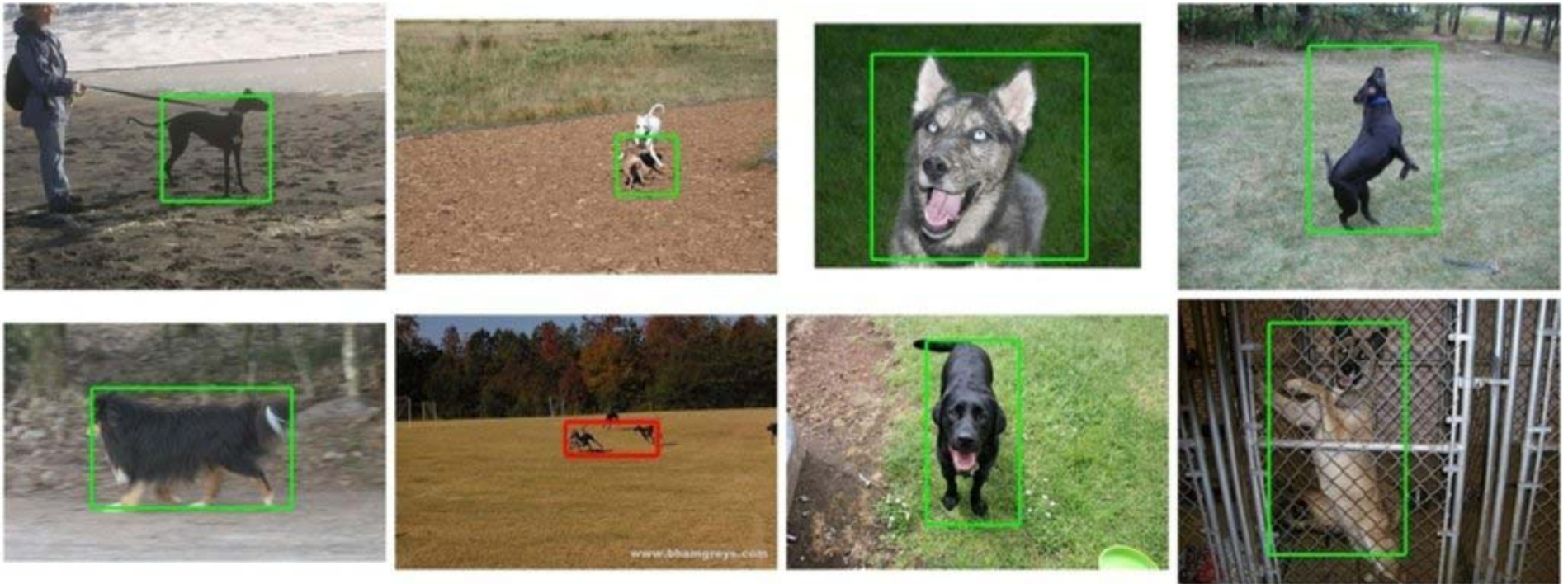
Feature Vector

Sliding window detector

- Classifier: SVM with linear kernel
- BOW representation for ROI



Example detections for dog



Lampert et al CVPR 08: Efficient branch and bound search over all windows

Discussion: ROI as a Bag of Visual Words

- Advantages

- No explicit modelling of spatial information \Rightarrow high level of invariance to position and orientation in image
- Fixed length vector \Rightarrow standard machine learning methods applicable



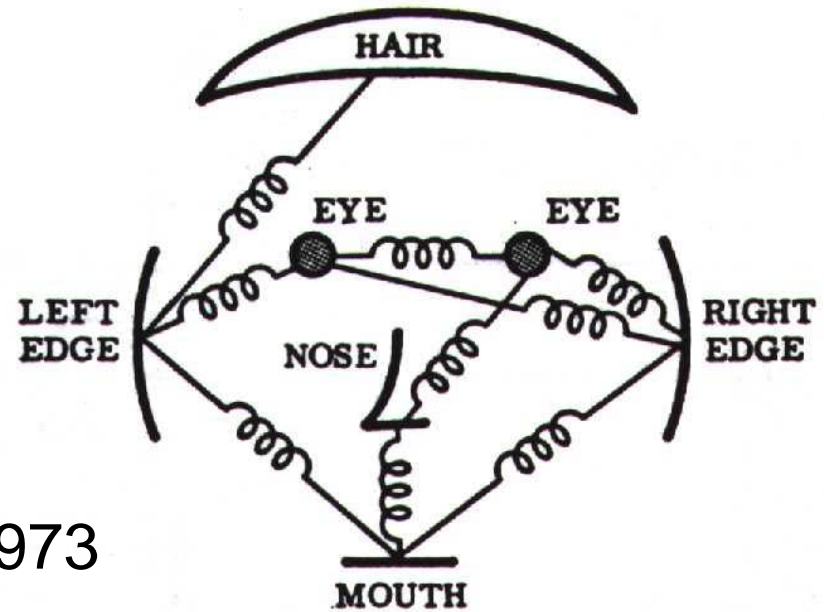
- Disadvantages

- No explicit modelling of spatial information \Rightarrow less discriminative power
- Inferior to state of the art performance



Beyond BOW I: Pictorial Structure

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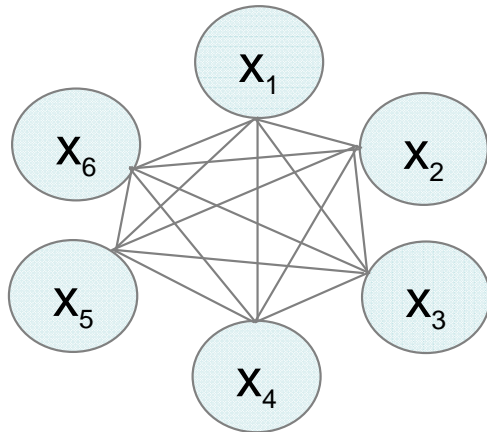


Two approaches that have investigated this spring like model:

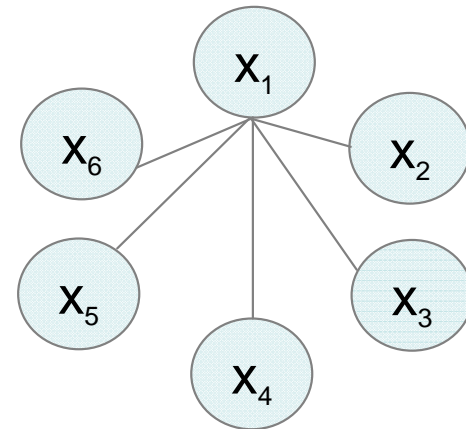
- Constellation model
- Implicit shape model (ISM)

Spatial Models Considered

Fully connected shape model



“Star” shape model



e.g. Constellation Model

Parts fully connected

Recognition complexity: $O(N^P)$

Method: Exhaustive search

e.g. ISM

Parts mutually independent

Recognition complexity: $O(NP)$

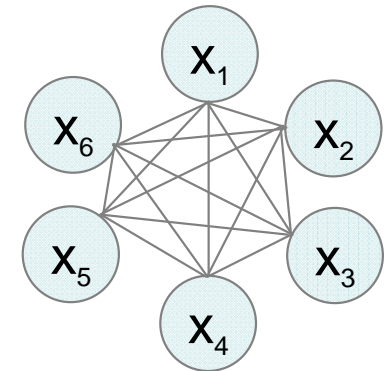
Method: Gen. Hough Transform

P parts, N positions

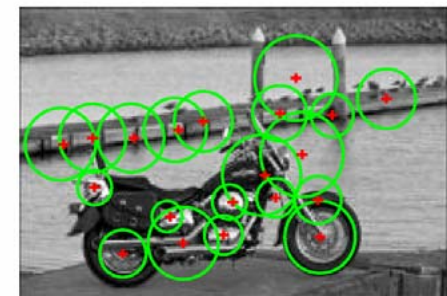
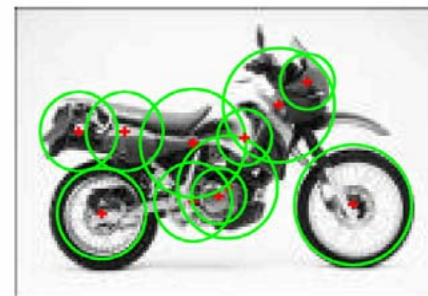
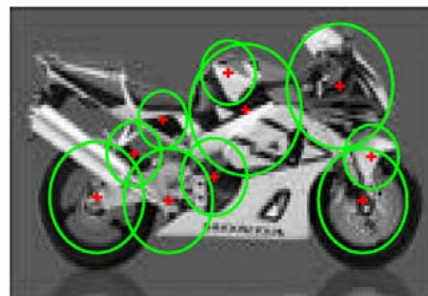
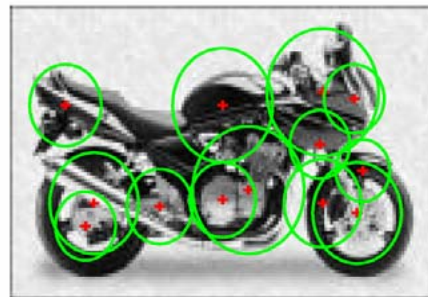
Constellation model

Fergus, Perona & Zisserman, CVPR 03

- Explicit structure model – Joint Gaussian over all part positions
- Part detector determines position *and* scale
- Simultaneous learning of parts and structure
- Learn from images alone using EM algorithm

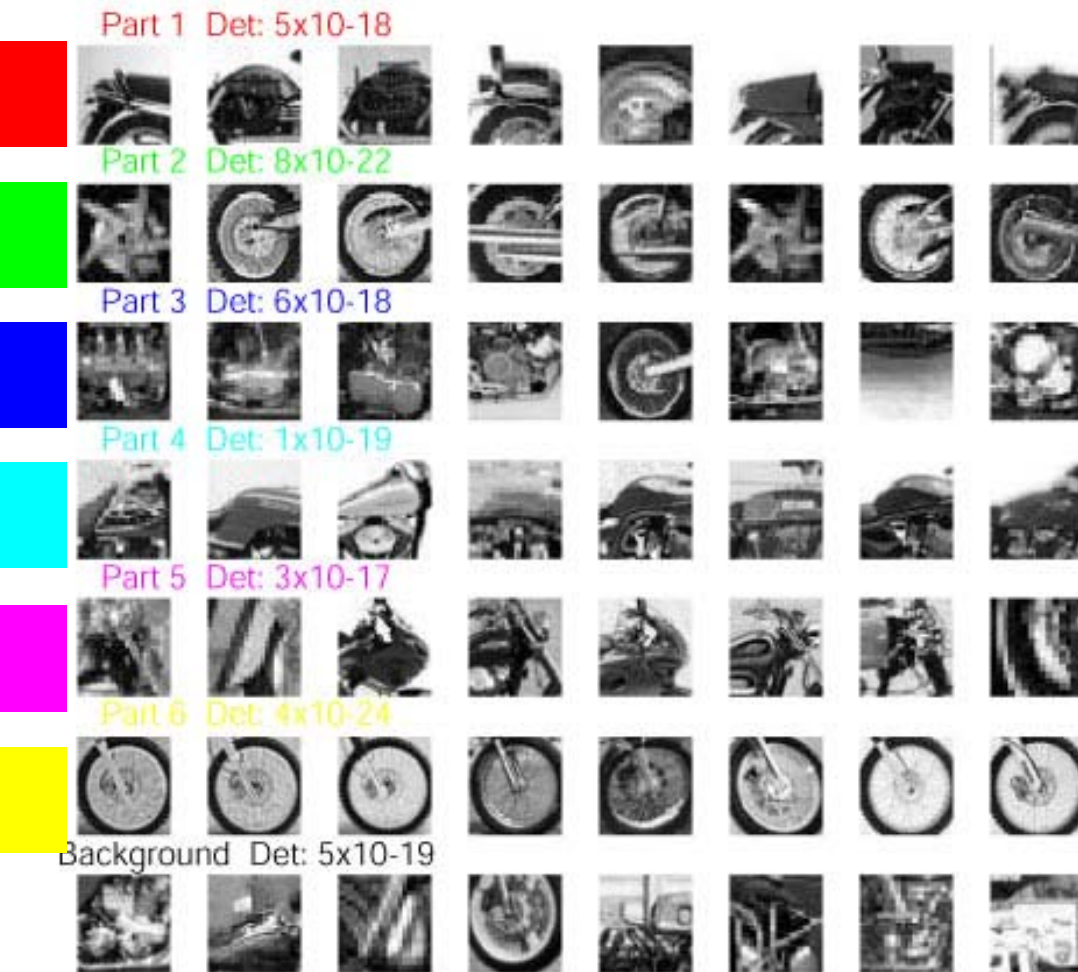


Given detections: learn a six part model by optimizing part and configuration similarity

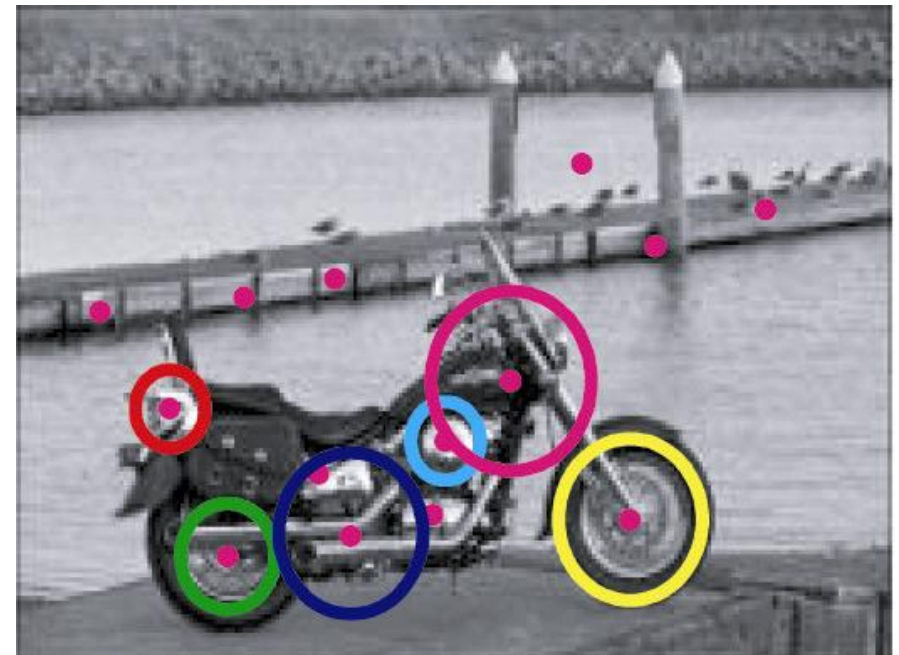
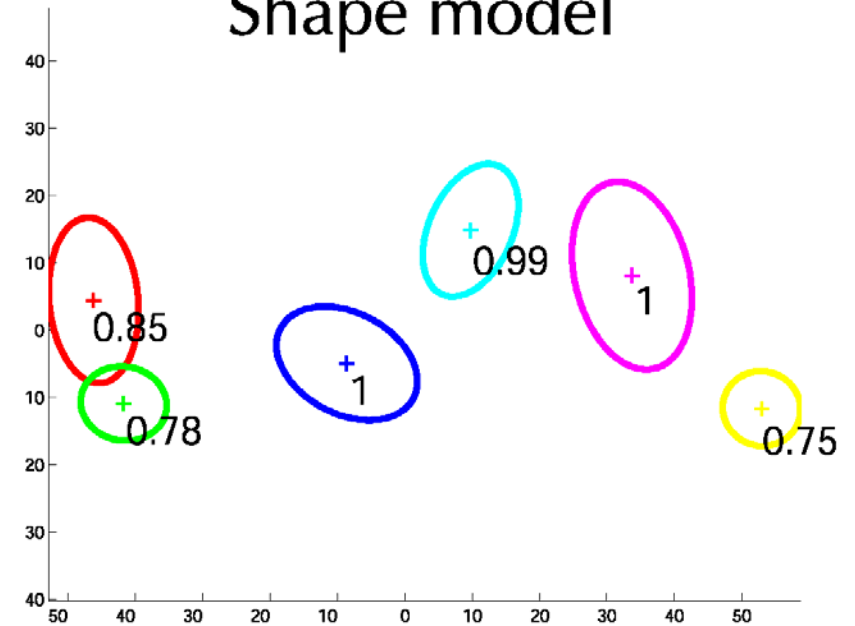


Example – Learnt Motorbike Model

Samples from appearance model

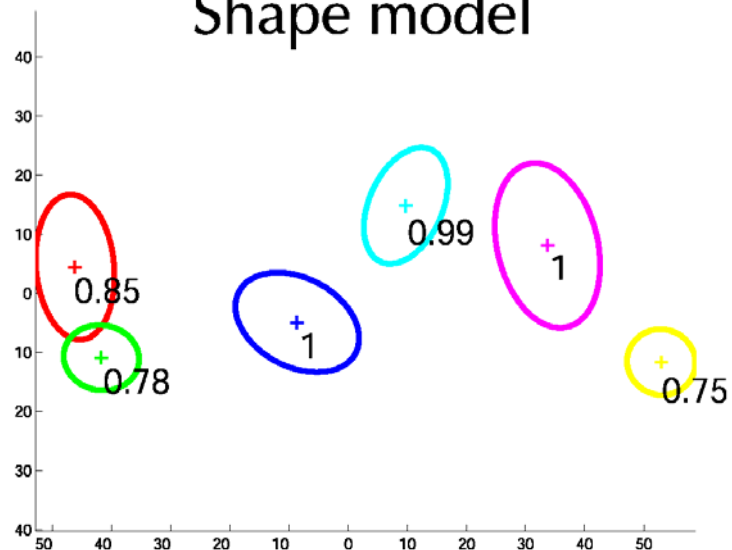
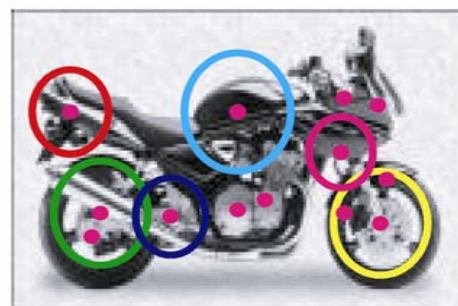
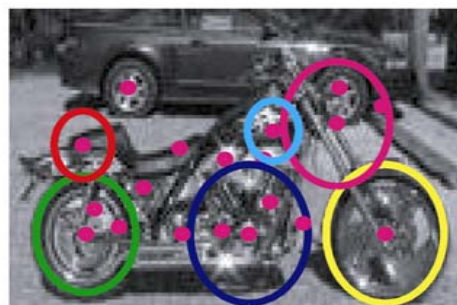
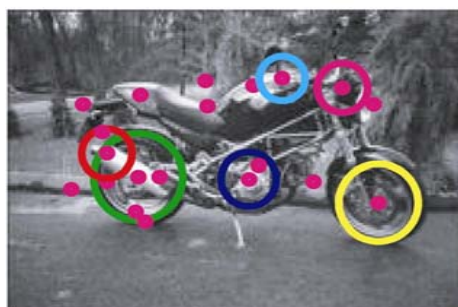


Shape model



Recognized Motorbikes

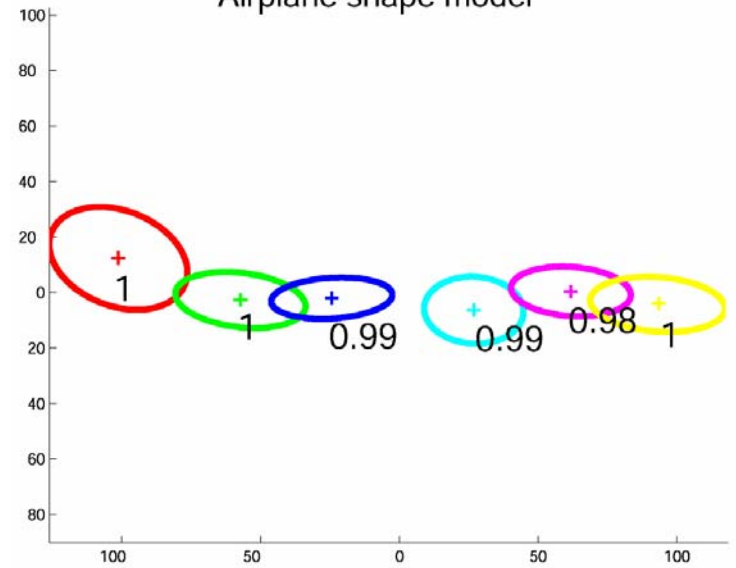
Shape model



position of object determined

Airplanes

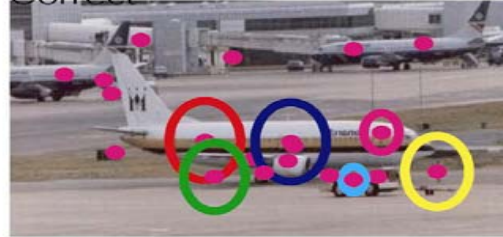
Airplane shape model



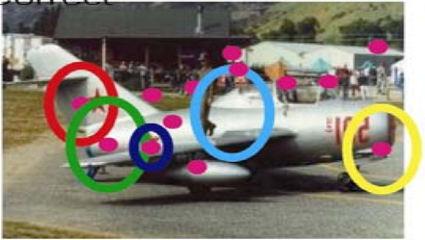
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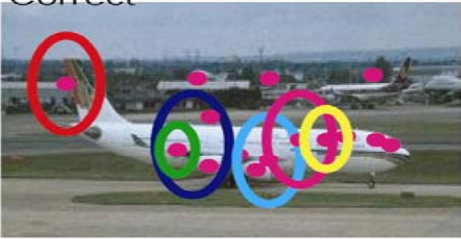
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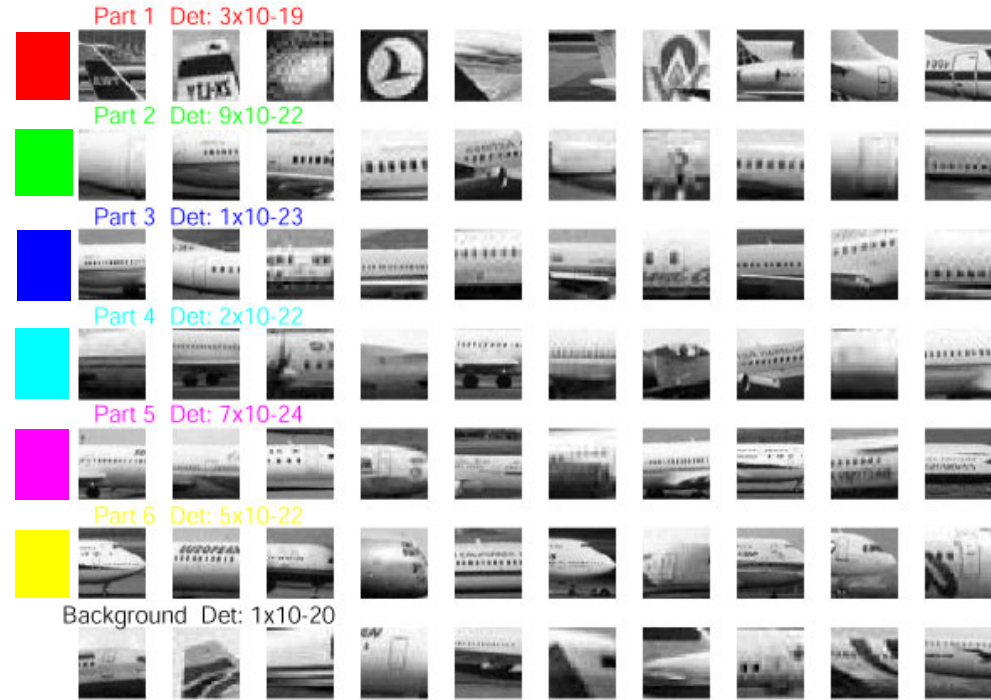
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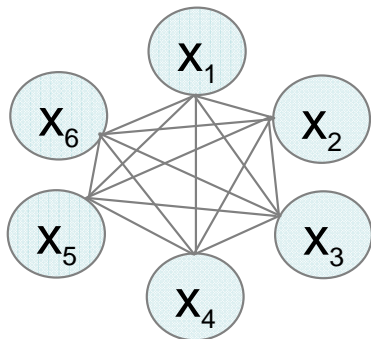
Discussion: Constellation Model

- Advantages

- Works well for many different object categories
- Can adapt well to categories where
 - Shape is more important
 - Appearance is more important
- Everything is learned from training data
- Weakly-supervised training possible

- Disadvantages

- Model contains many parameters that need to be estimated
 - Cost increases exponentially with increasing number of parameters
- ⇒ Fully connected model restricted to small number of parts.



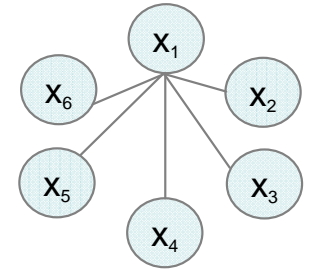
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Implicit Shape Model (ISM)

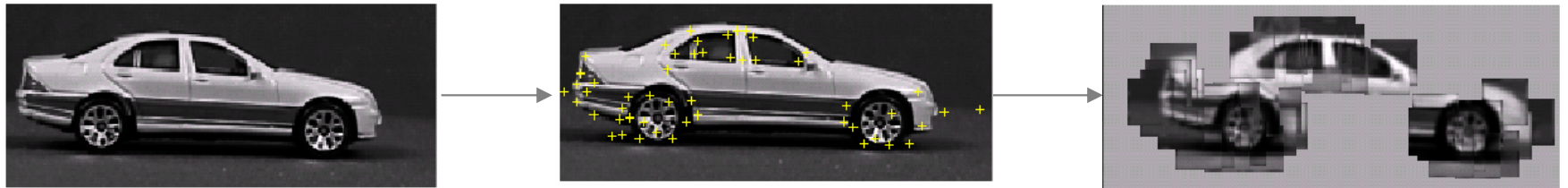
Leibe, Leonardis, Schiele, 03/04

- Basic ideas
 - Learn an appearance codebook
 - Learn a star-topology structural model
 - Features are considered independent given object centre
- Algorithm: probabilistic Generalized Hough Transform

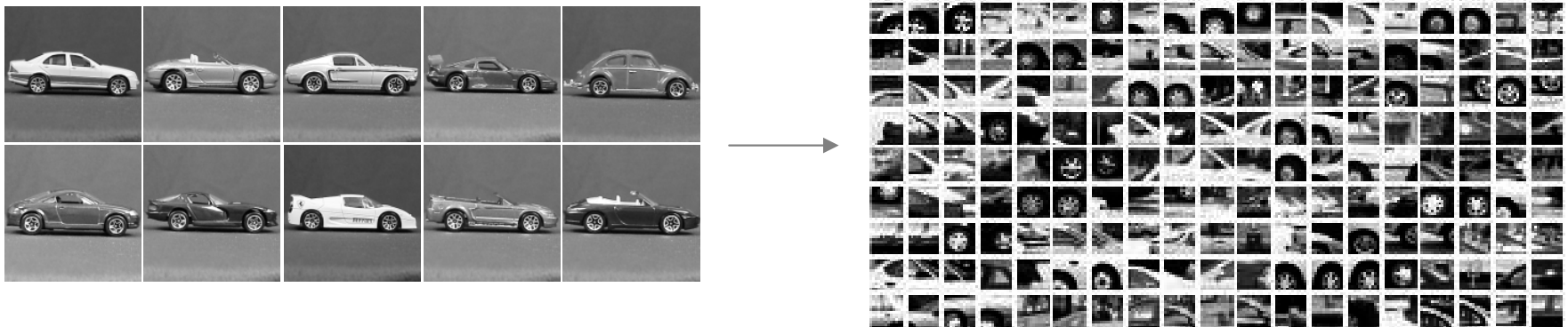


Codebook Representation

- Extraction of local object features
 - Interest Points (e.g. Harris detector)
 - Sparse representation of the object appearance



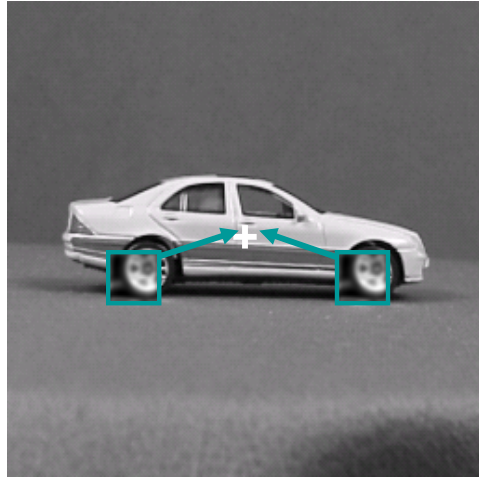
- Collect features from whole training set
- Example:



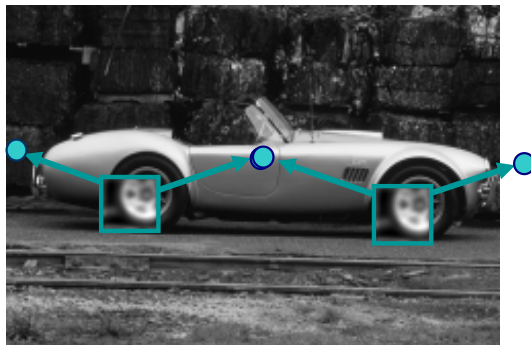
Class specific vocabulary

Leibe & Schiele 03/04: Generalized Hough Transform

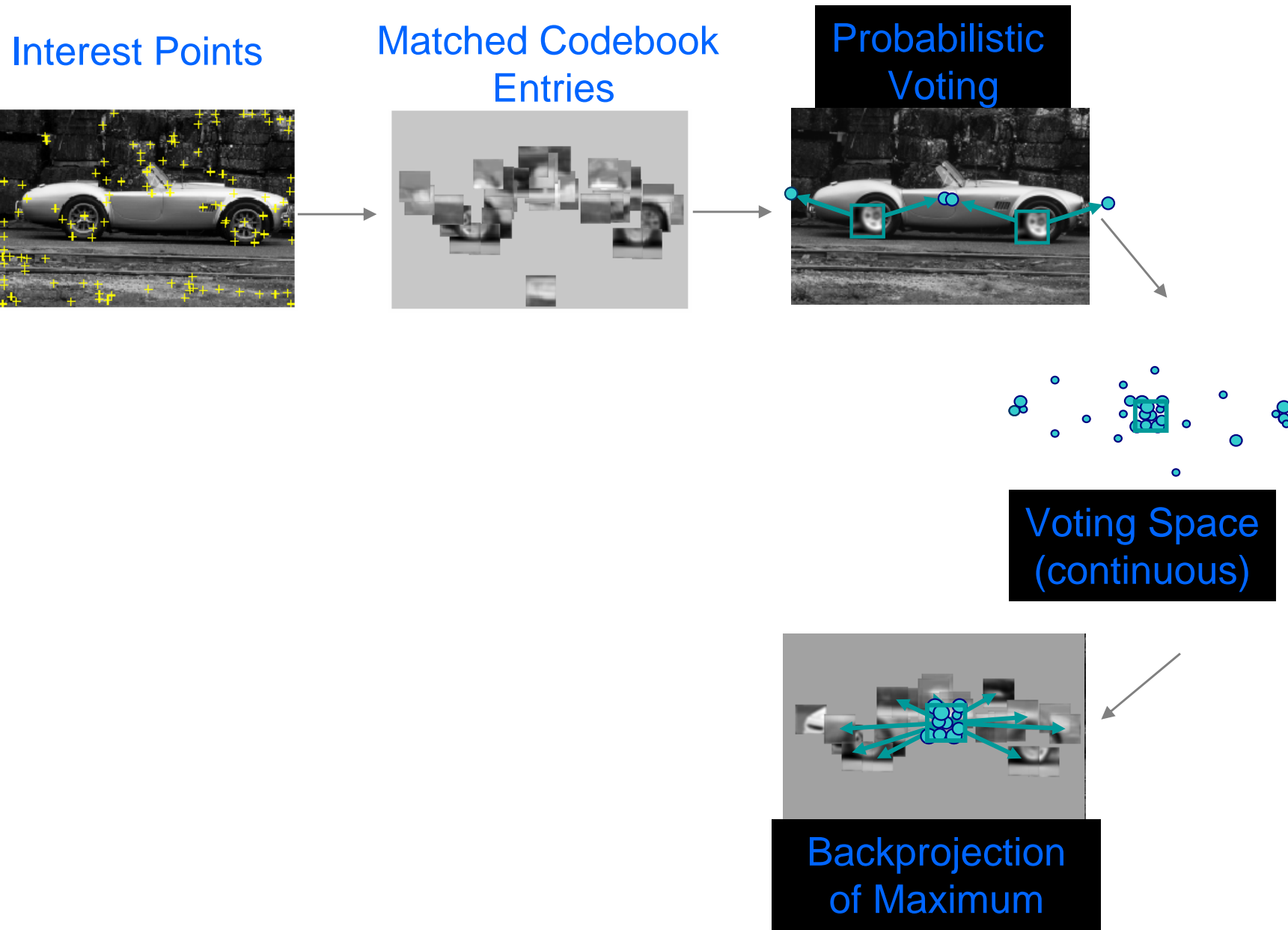
- **Learning:** for every cluster, store possible “occurrences”



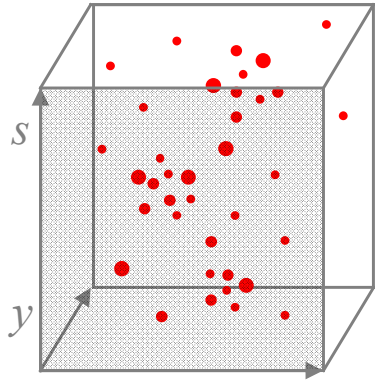
- **Recognition:** for new image, let the matched patches vote for possible object positions



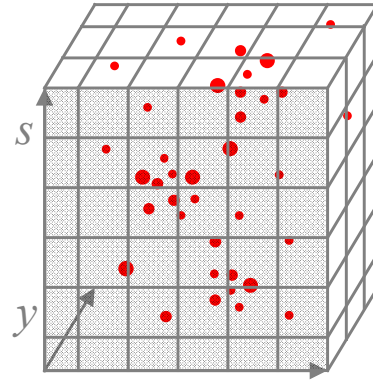
Leibe & Schiele 03/04: Generalized Hough Transform



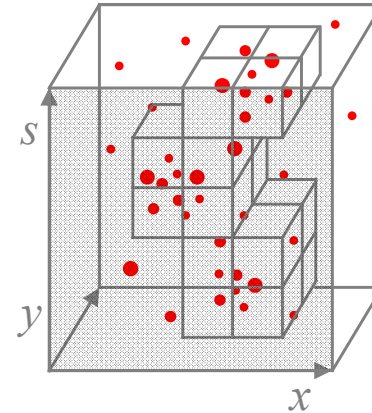
Scale Voting: Efficient Computation



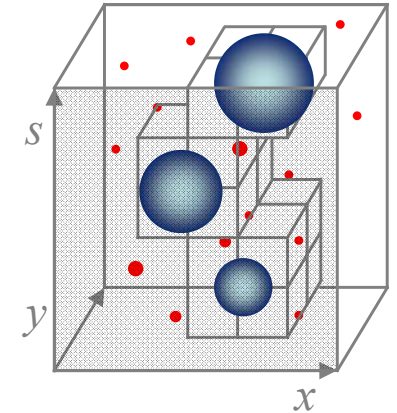
Scale votes



Binned
accum. array



Candidate
maxima



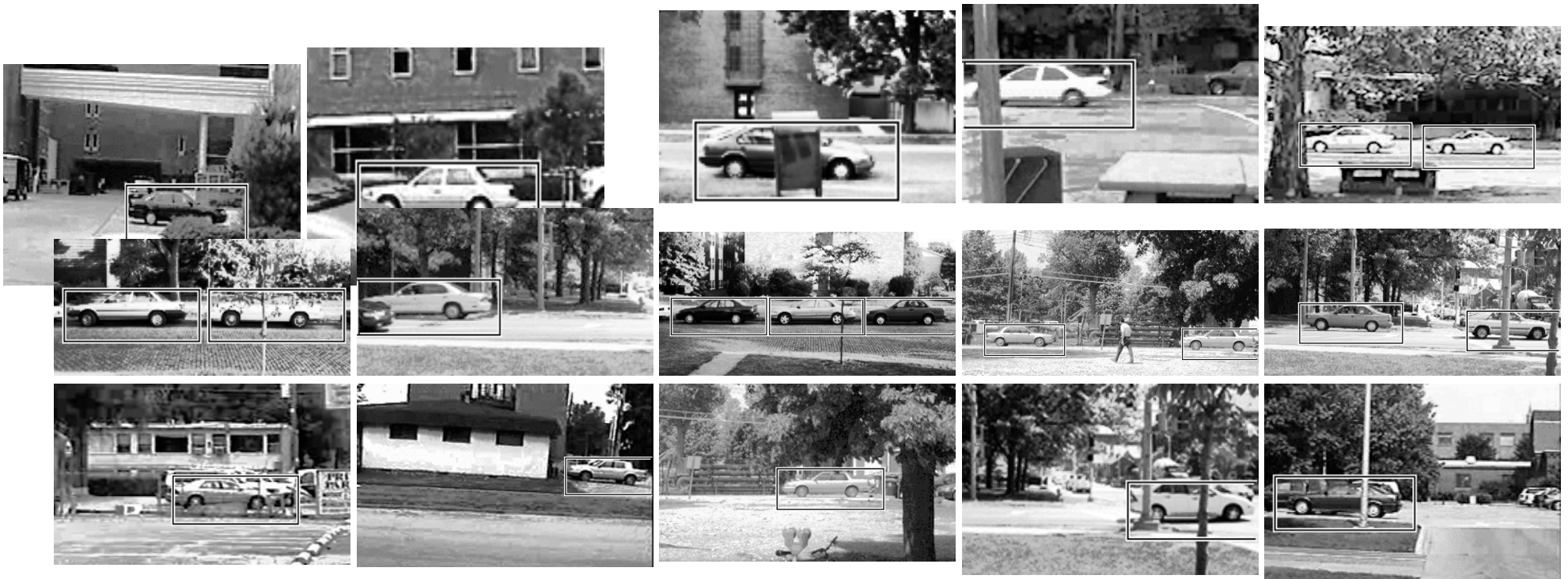
Refinement
(MSME)

- Mean-Shift formulation for refinement
 - Scale-adaptive *balloon density estimator*

$$\hat{p}(o_n, x) = \frac{1}{V_b} \sum_k \sum_j p(o_n, x_j | f_k, \ell_k) K\left(\frac{x - x_j}{b}\right)$$

Detection Results

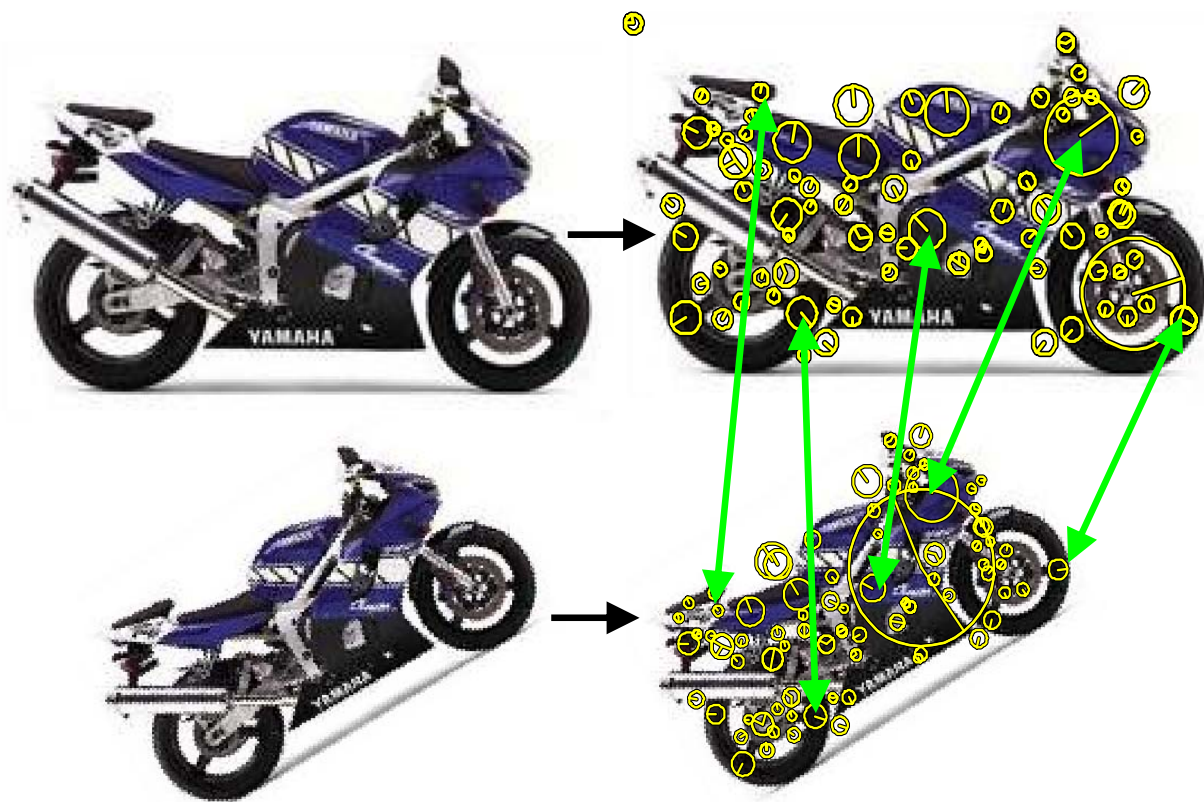
- Qualitative Performance
 - Recognizes different kinds of cars
 - Robust to clutter, occlusion, low contrast, noise



Discussion: ISM and related models

Advantages

- Scale and rotation invariance can be built into the representation from the start
- Relatively cheap to learn and test (inference)
- Works well for many different object categories
- Max-margin extensions possible, Maji & Malik, CVPR09



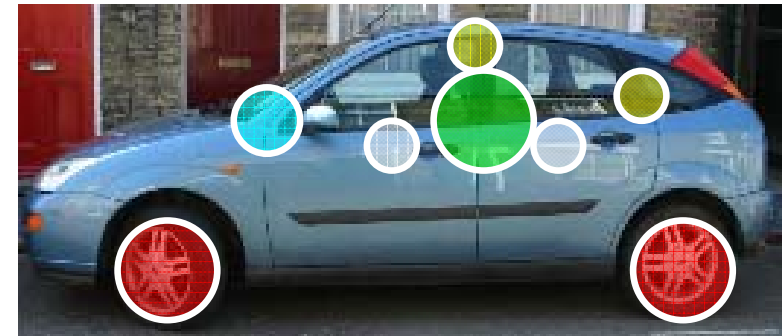
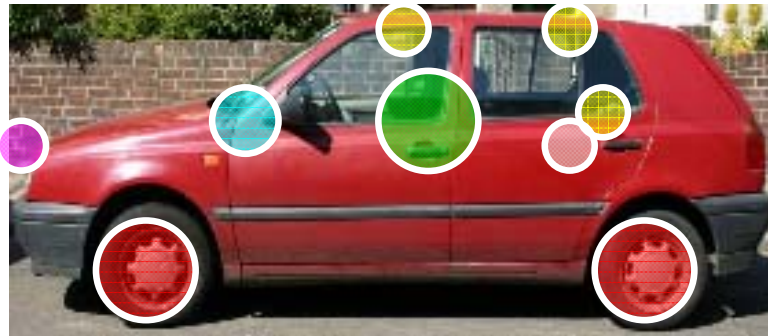
Disadvantages

- Requires searching for modes in the Hough space
- Similar to sliding window in this respect
- Is such a degree of invariance required? (many objects are horizontal)

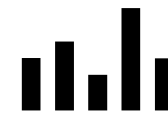
Beyond BOW II: Grids and spatial pyramids

Start from BoW for ROI

- no spatial information recorded
- sliding window detector



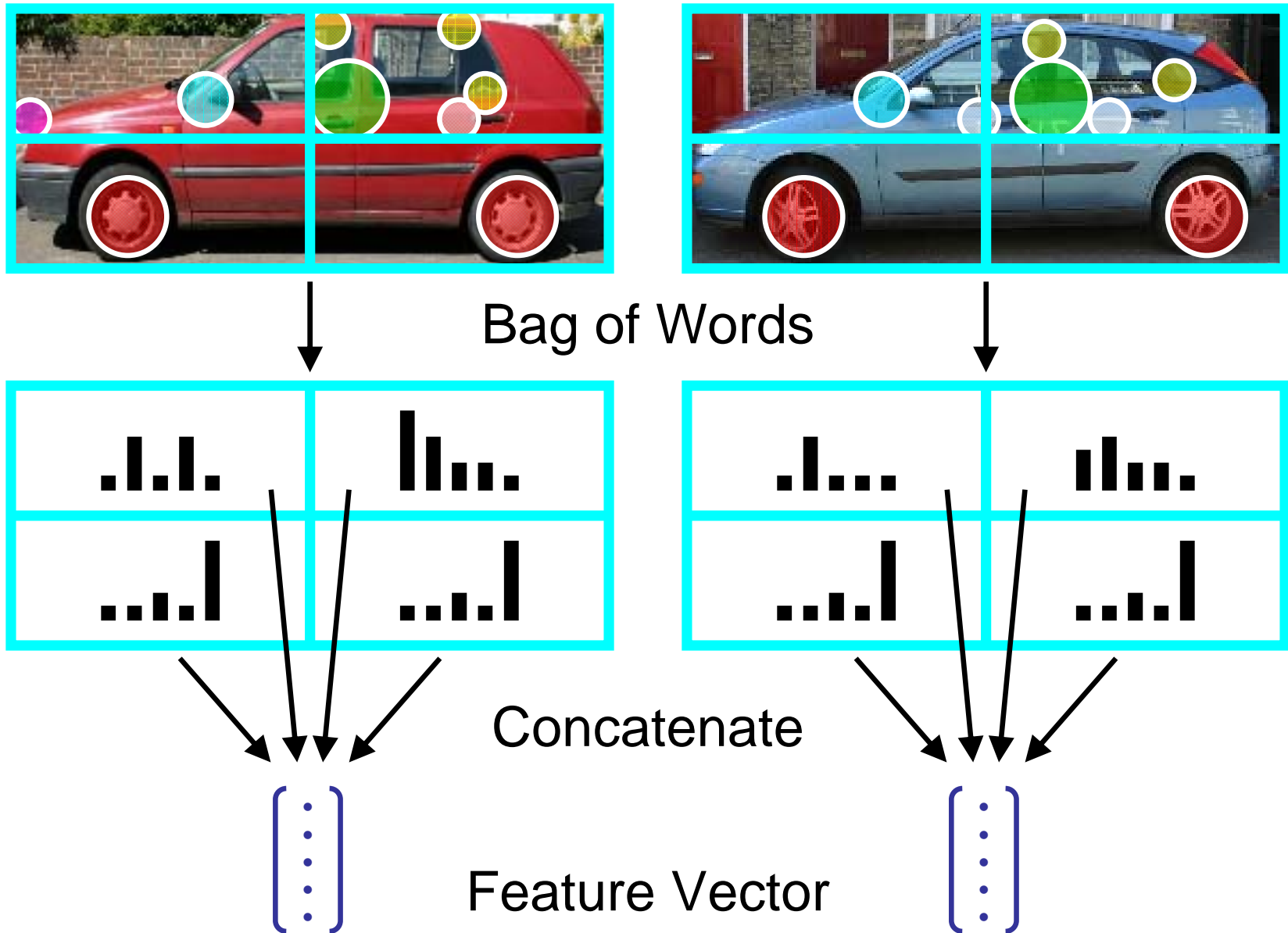
Bag of Words



Feature Vector



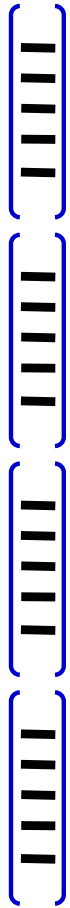
Adding Spatial Information to Bag of Words



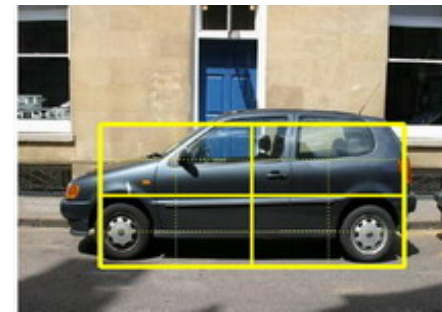
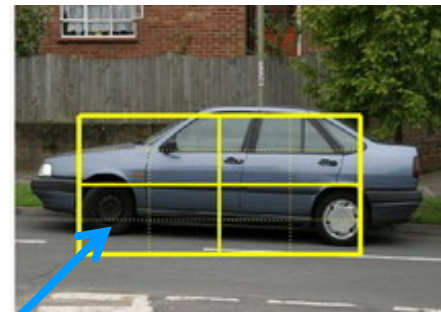
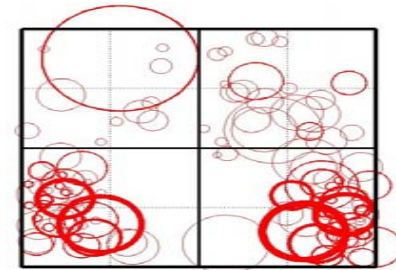
Keeps fixed length feature vector for a window

[Fergus et al, 2005]

Tiling defines (records) the spatial correspondence of the words

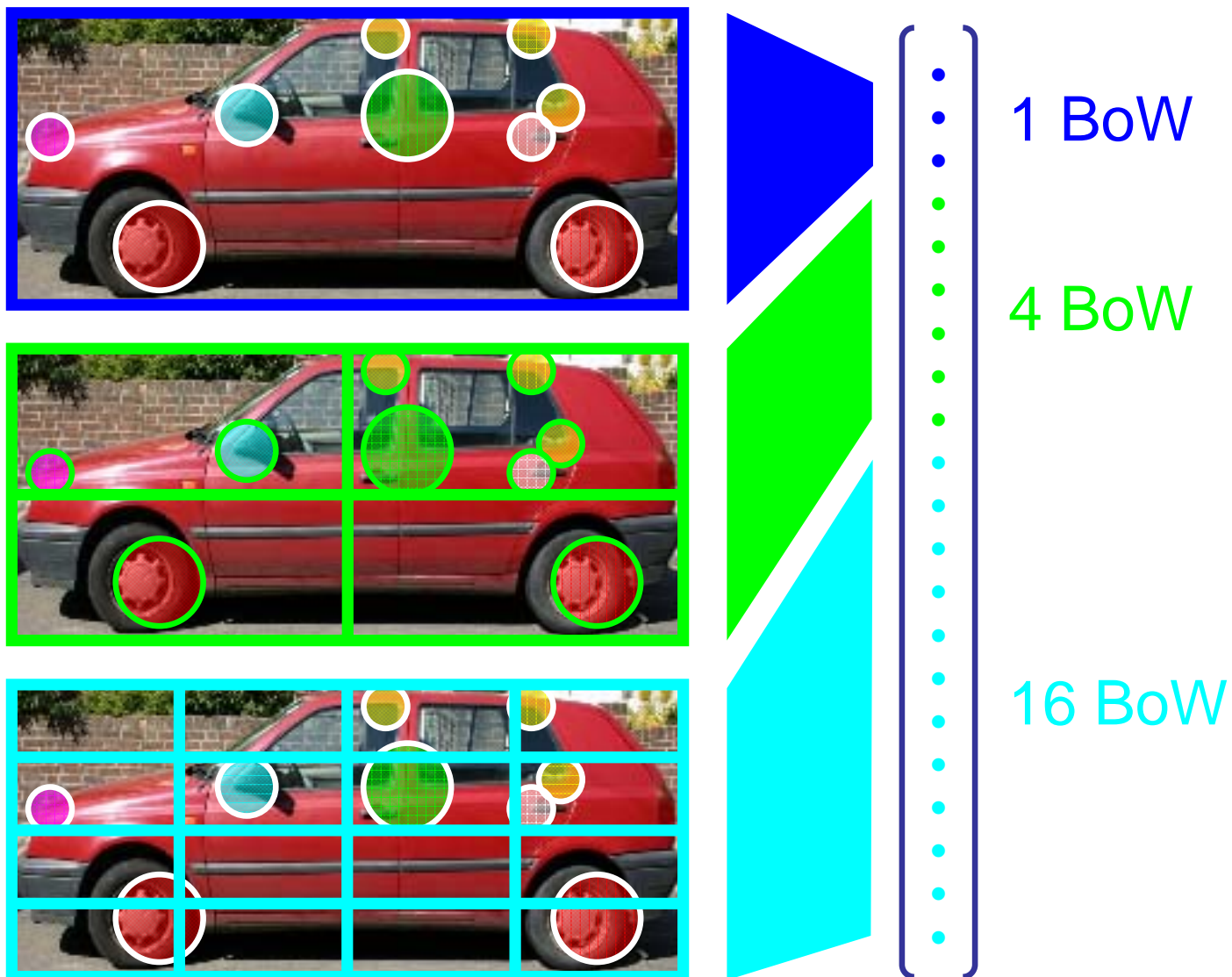


- parameter: number of tiles



If codebook has V visual words, then representation has dimension $4V$

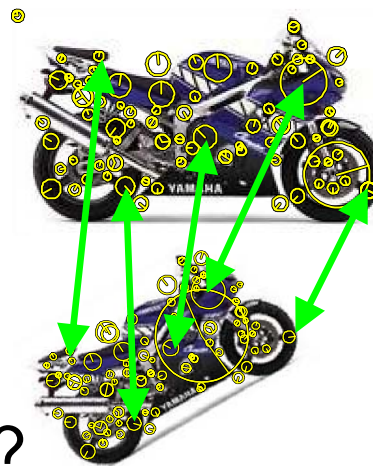
Spatial Pyramid – represent correspondence



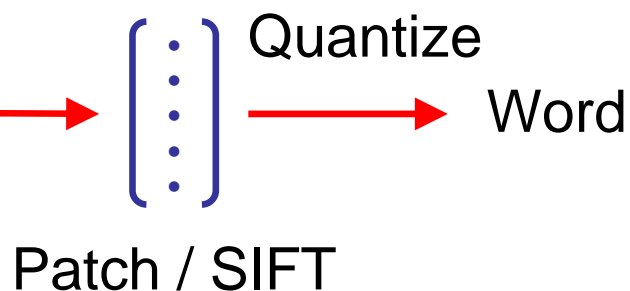
- As in scene/image classification can use pyramid kernel

Dense Visual Words

- Why extract only **sparse** image fragments?
- Good where lots of invariance and matches are needed, but not relevant to sliding window detection?



- Extract **dense** visual words on an overlapping grid



- [Luong & Malik, 1999]
- [Varma & Zisserman, 2003]
- [Vogel & Schiele, 2004]
- [Jurie & Triggs, 2005]
- [Fei-Fei & Perona, 2005]
- [Bosch et al, 2006]

- More “detail” at the expense of invariance
- Pyramid histogram of visual words (PHOW)

Outline

1. Sliding window detectors
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 - HOG and history
 - Training an object detector
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5. The future and challenges

Dalal & Triggs CVPR 2005

Pedestrian detection

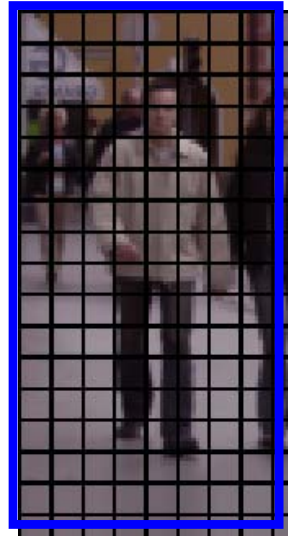
- Objective: detect (localize) standing humans in an image
- Sliding window classifier
- Train a binary classifier on whether a window contains a standing person or not
- Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) feature
- Although HOG + SVM originally introduced for pedestrians has been used very successfully for many object categories

Feature: Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG)

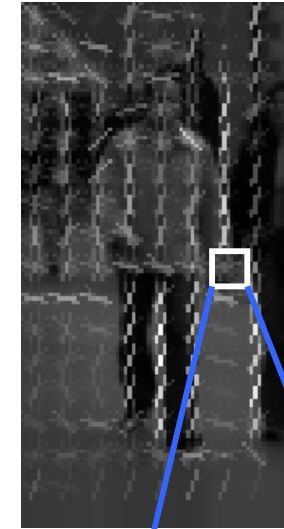
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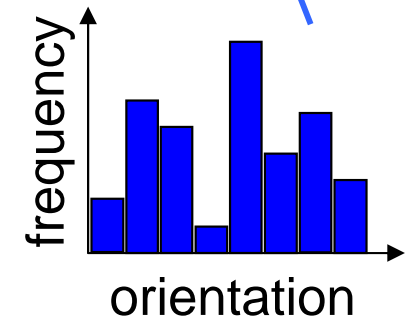
dominant
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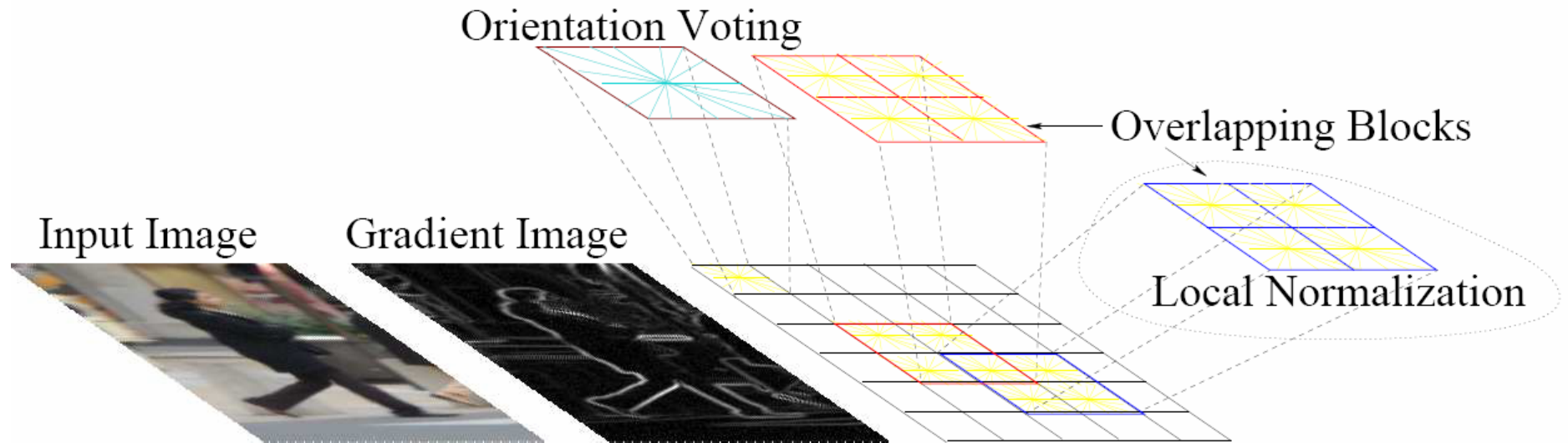
HOG



- tile 64 x 128 pixel window into 8 x 8 pixel cells
- each cell represented by histogram over 8 orientation bins (i.e. angles in range 0-180 degrees)

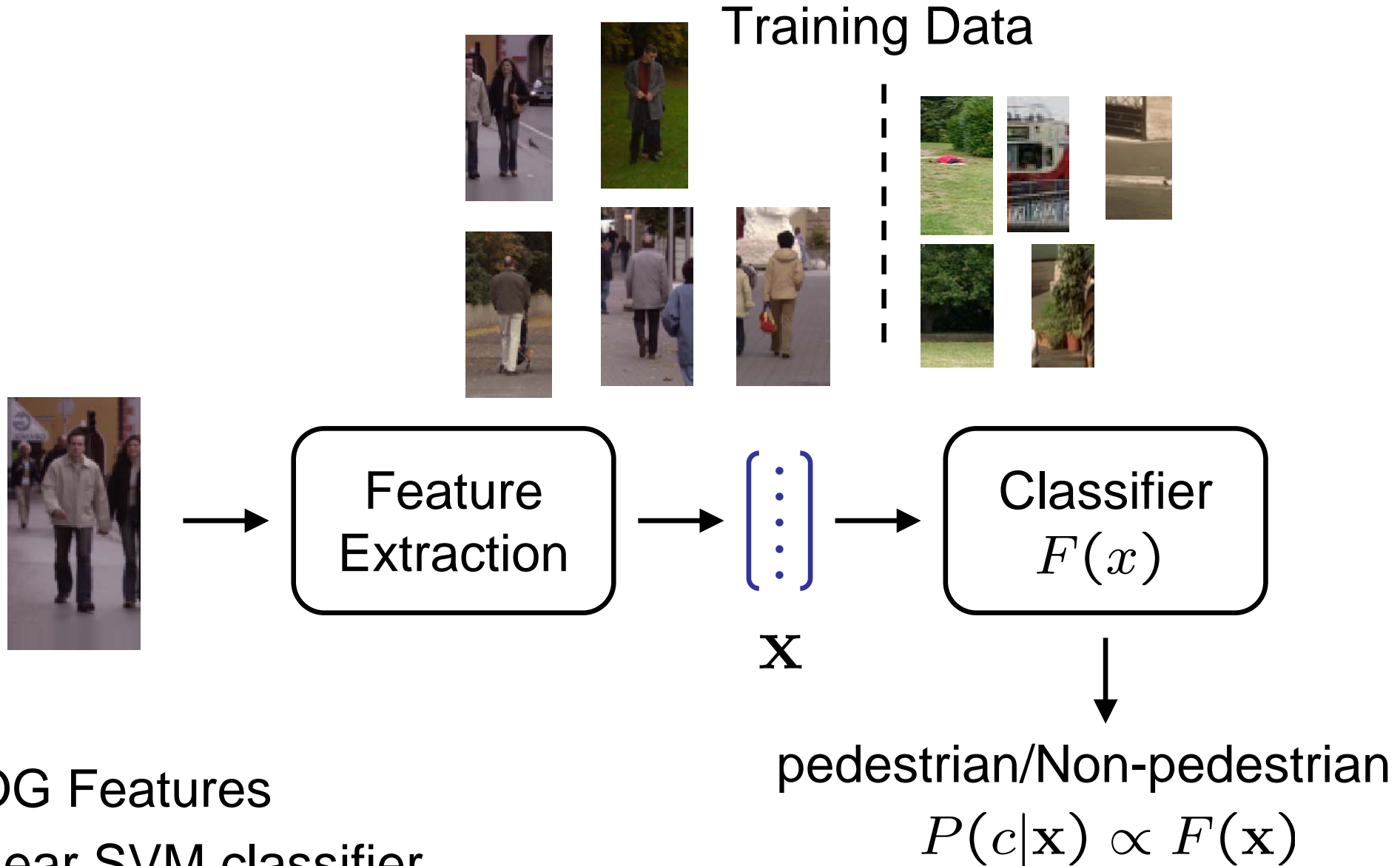


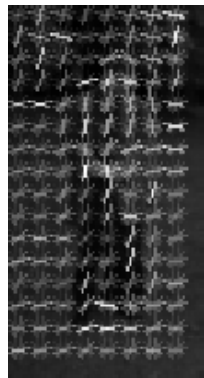
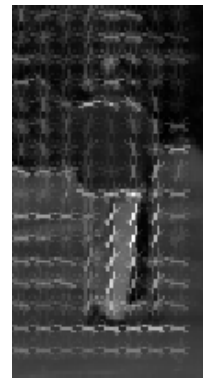
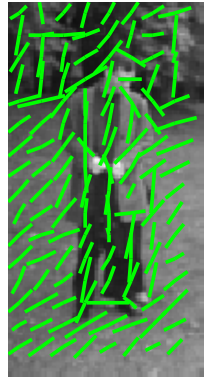
Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) continued



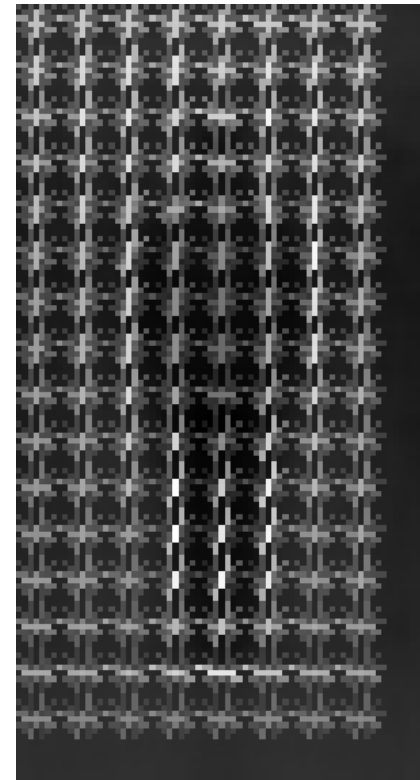
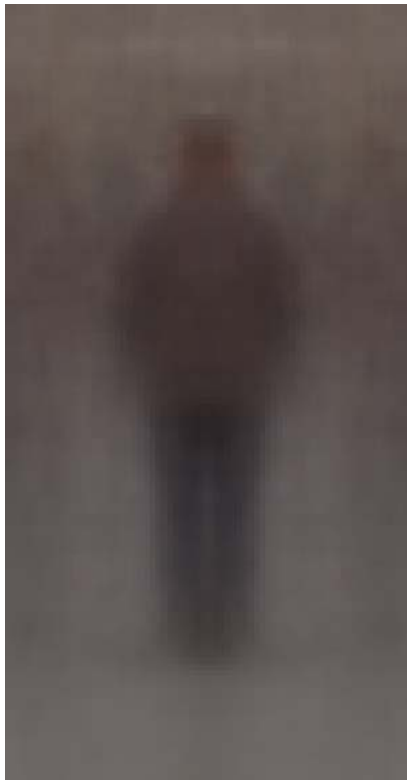
- Adds a second level of overlapping spatial bins re-normalizing orientation histograms over a larger spatial area
- Feature vector dimension (approx) = 16×8 (for tiling) $\times 8$ (orientations) $\times 4$ (for blocks) = 4096

Window (Image) Classification





Averaged examples



Classifier: linear SVM

Advantages of linear SVM: $f(x) = \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b$

- Training (Learning)

- Very efficient packages for the linear case, e.g. LIBLINEAR for batch training and Pegasos for on-line training.
- Complexity $O(N)$ for N training points (cf $O(N^3)$ for general SVM)

- Testing (Detection)

Non-linear $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i^S \alpha_i k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}) + b$

S = # of support vectors
= (worst case) N
size of training data

Linear $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i^S \alpha_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{x} + b$
 $= \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b$

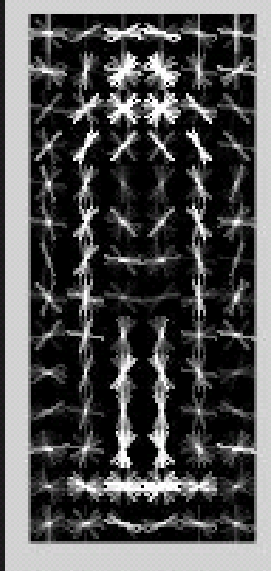
Independent of size of training data



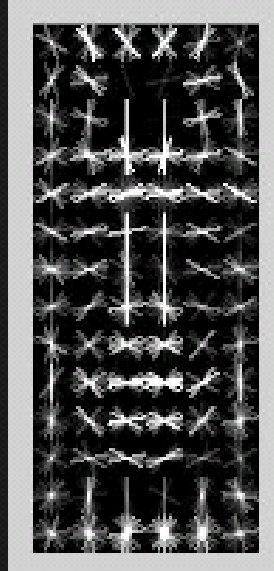
Dalal and Triggs, CVPR 2005

Learned model

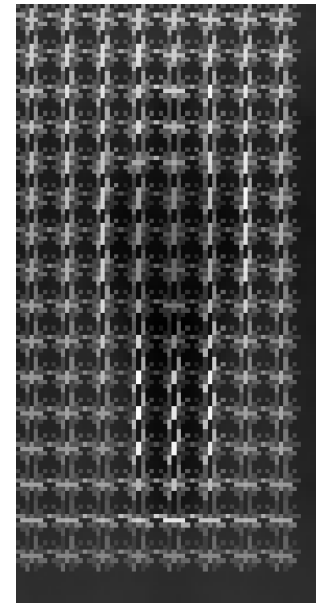
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b$$



positive
weights



negative
weights



average over
positive training data

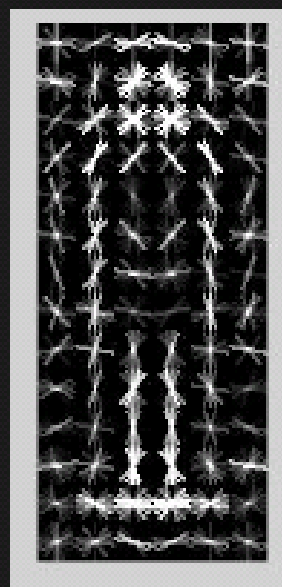
What do negative weights mean?

$$wx > 0$$

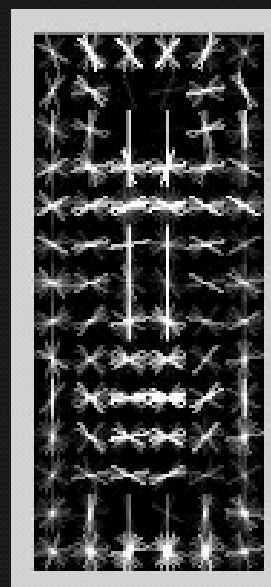
$$(w_+ - w_-)x > 0$$

$$w_+ > w_-x$$

pedestrian
model



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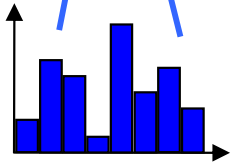
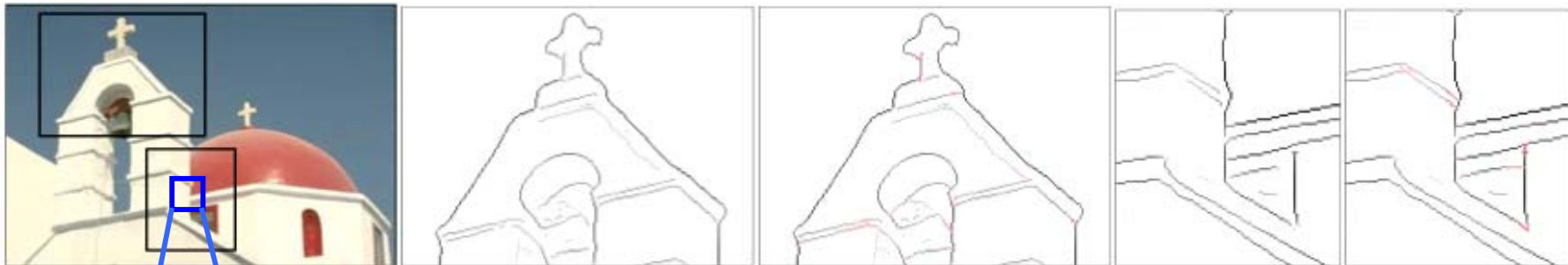
pedestrian
background
model

Complete system should compete pedestrian/pillar/doorway models

Discriminative models come equipped with own bg
(avoid firing on doorways by penalizing vertical edges)

Why does HOG + SVM work so well?

- Similar to SIFT, records spatial arrangement of **histogram** orientations
- Compare to learning only edges:
 - Complex junctions can be represented
 - Avoids problem of early thresholding
 - Represents also soft internal gradients
- Older methods based on edges have become largely obsolete

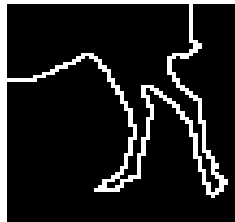
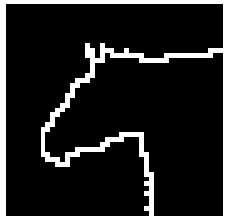
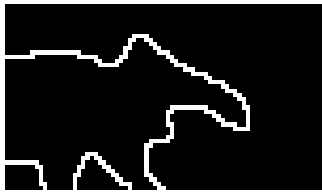
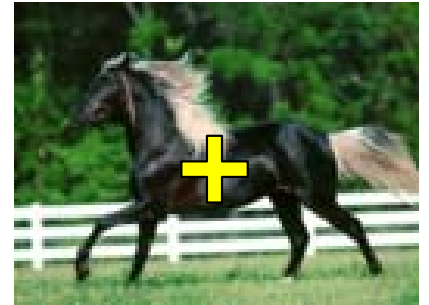


- HOG gives fixed length vector for window, suitable for feature vector for SVM

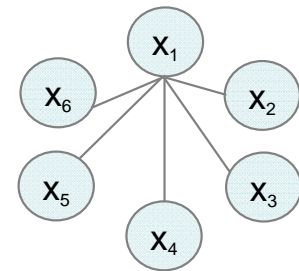
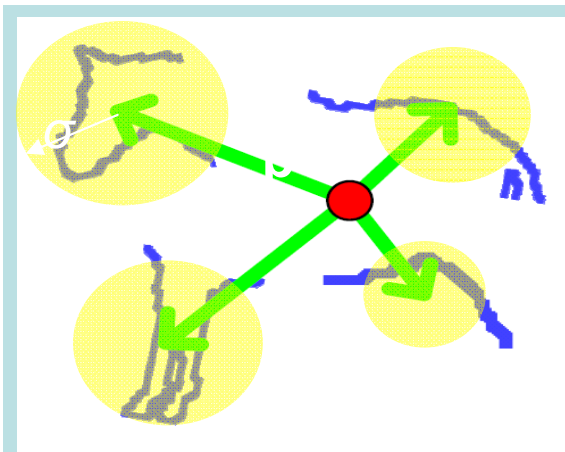
Contour-fragment models

Shotton et al ICCV 05, Opelt et al ECCV 06

- Generalized Hough like representation using contour fragments
- Contour fragments learnt from edges of training images

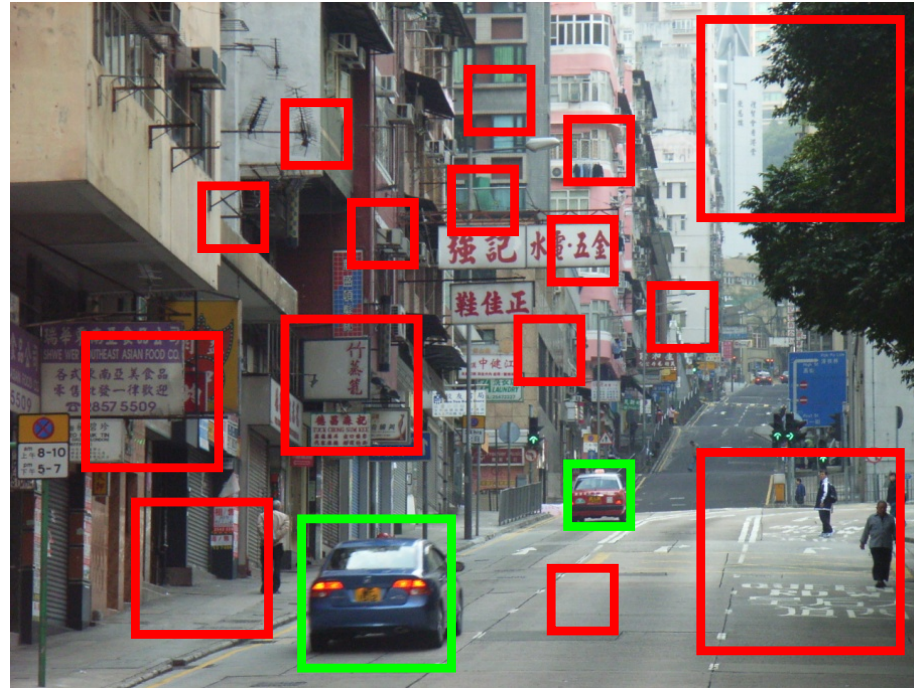


- Hough like voting for detection



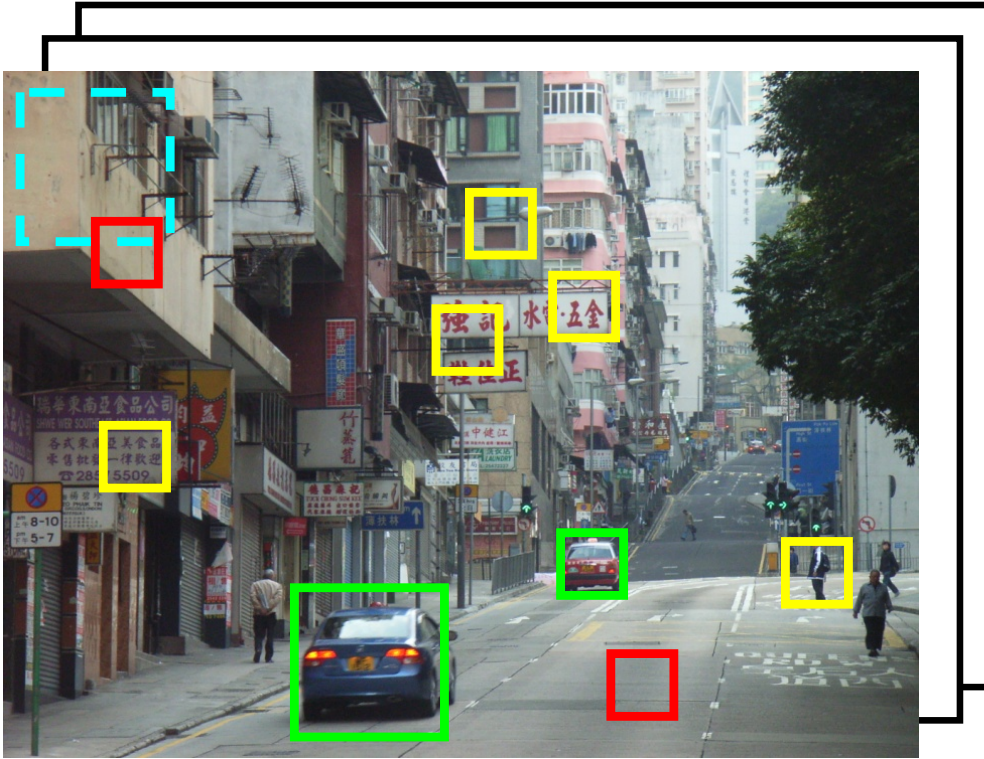
Training a sliding window detector

- Object **detection** is inherently asymmetric: much more “non-object” than “object” data



- Classifier needs to have very low false positive rate
- Non-object category is very complex – need lots of data

Bootstrapping



1. Pick negative training set at random
2. Train classifier
3. Run on training data
4. Add false positives to training set
5. Repeat from 2

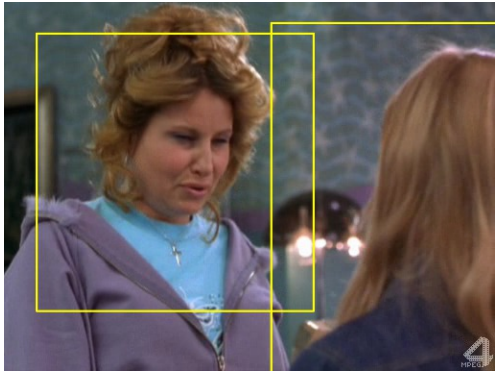
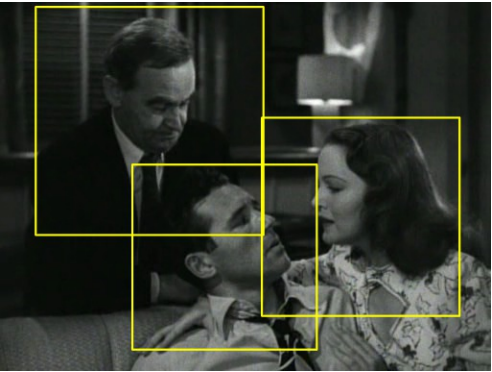
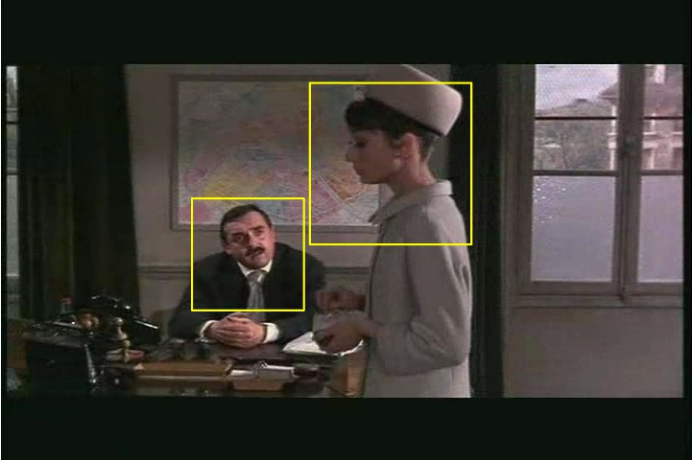
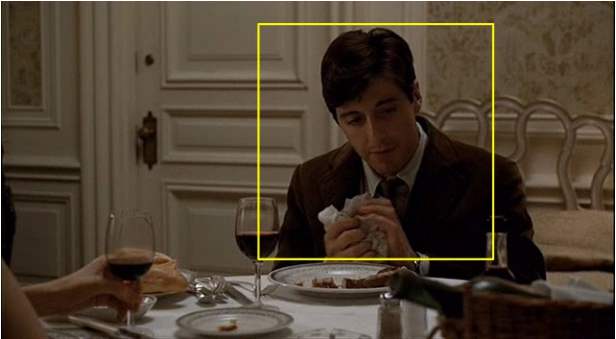
- Collect a finite but diverse set of non-object windows
- Force classifier to concentrate on **hard negative** examples
- For some classifiers can ensure equivalence to training on entire data set

Example: train an upper body detector

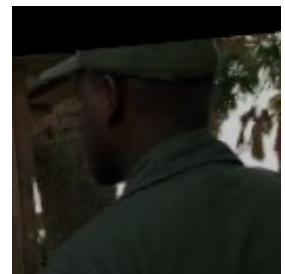
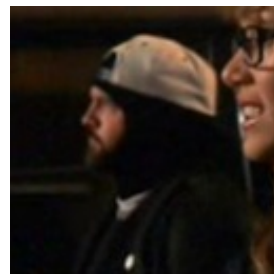
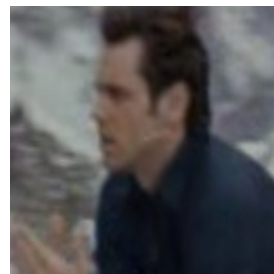
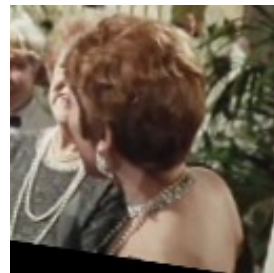
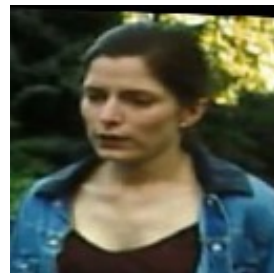
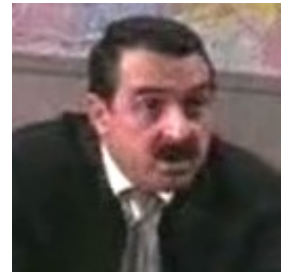
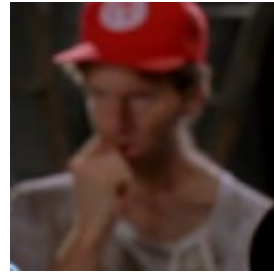
- Training data – used for training and validation sets
 - 33 Hollywood2 training movies
 - 1122 frames with upper bodies marked
- First stage training (bootstrapping)
 - 1607 upper body annotations jittered to 32k positive samples
 - 55k negatives sampled from the same set of frames
- Second stage training (retraining)
 - 150k hard negatives found in the training data



Training data – positive annotations

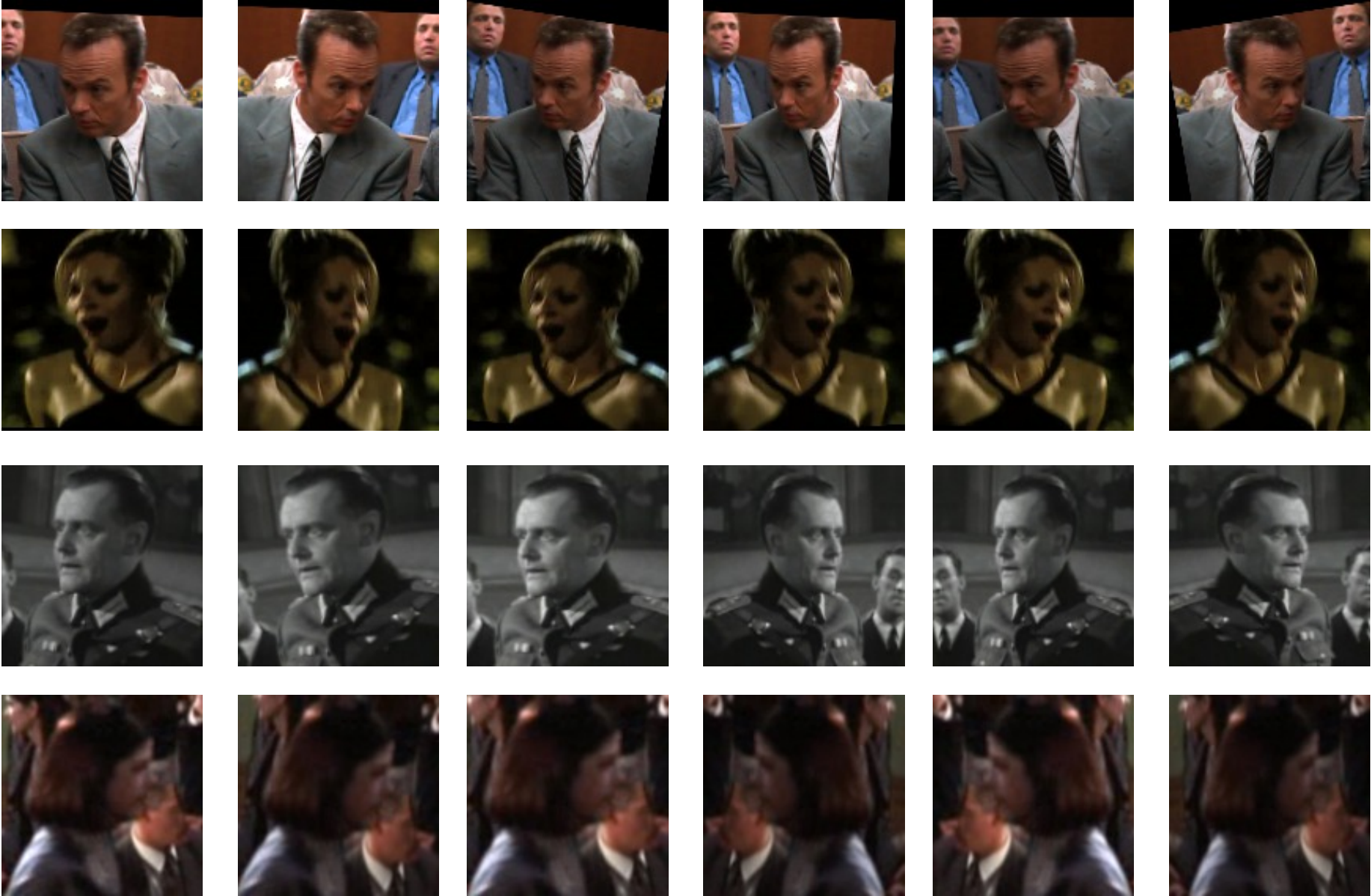


Positive windows

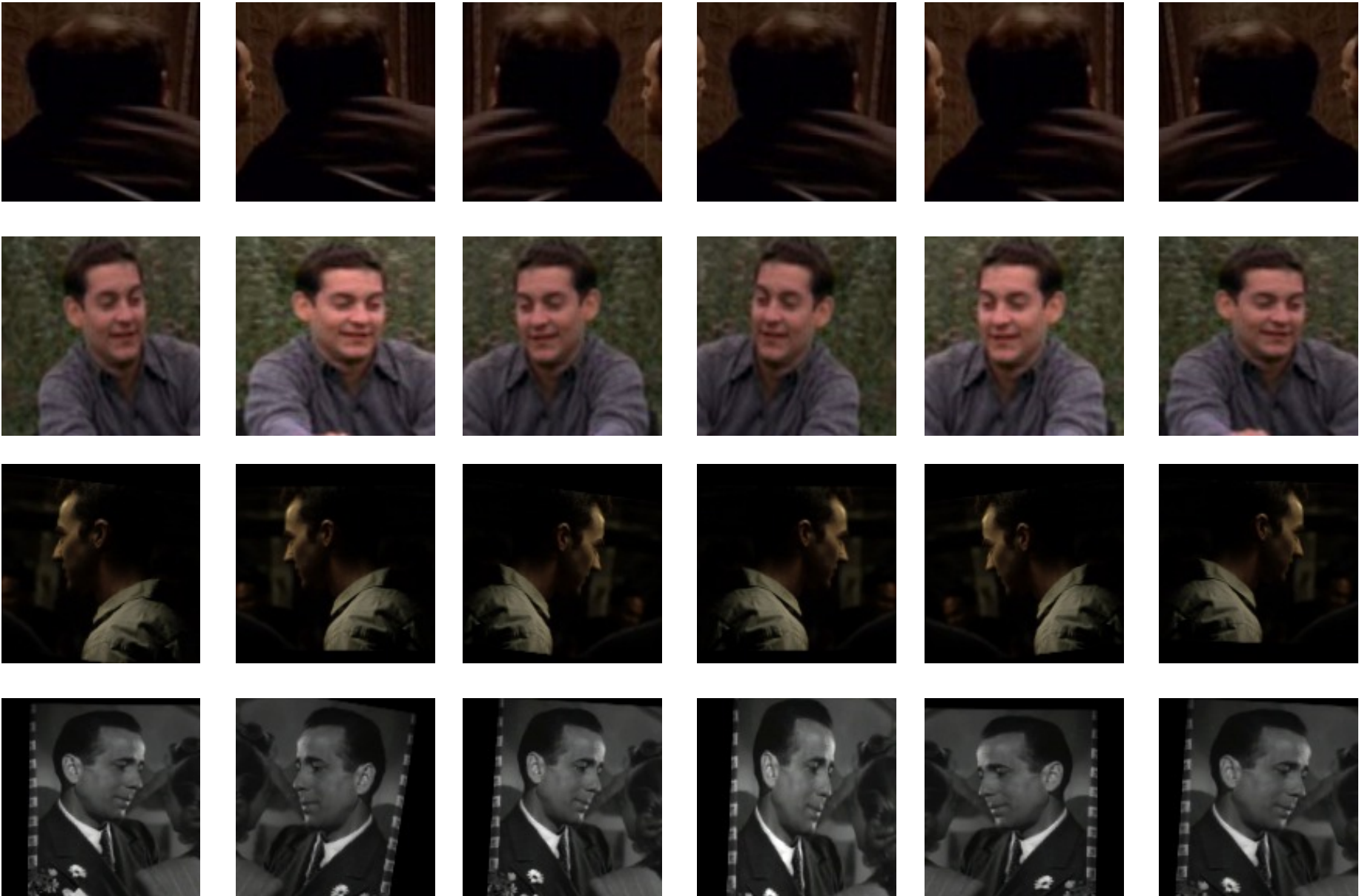


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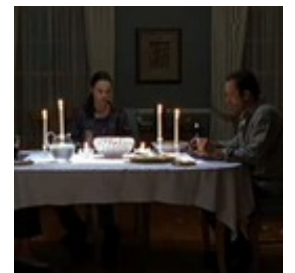
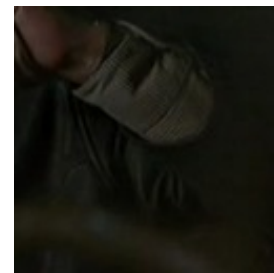
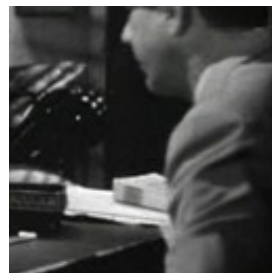
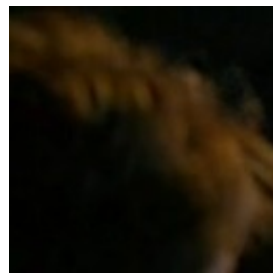
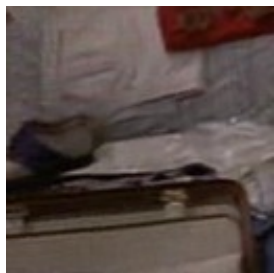
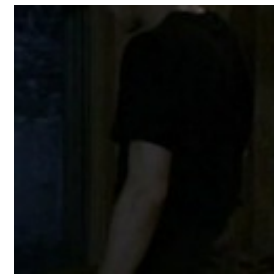
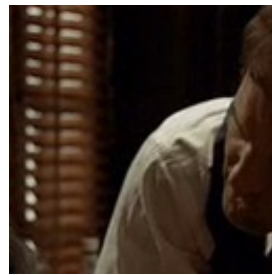
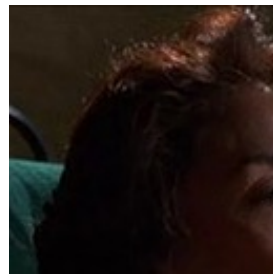
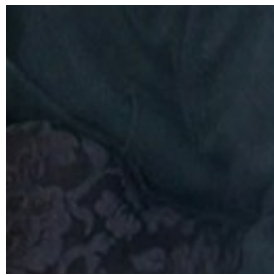
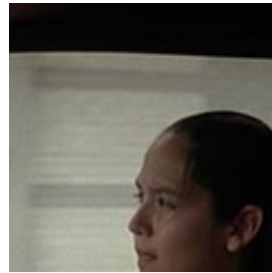
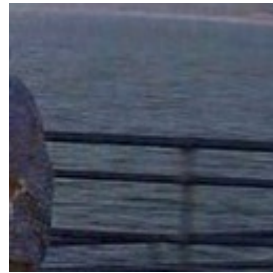
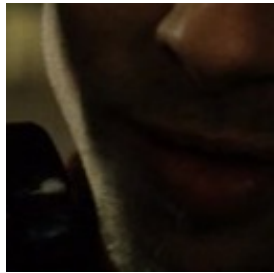
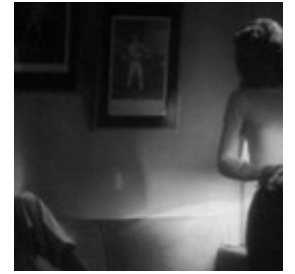
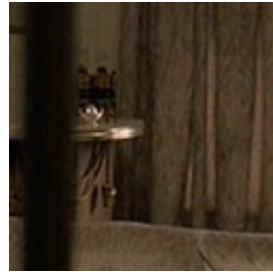
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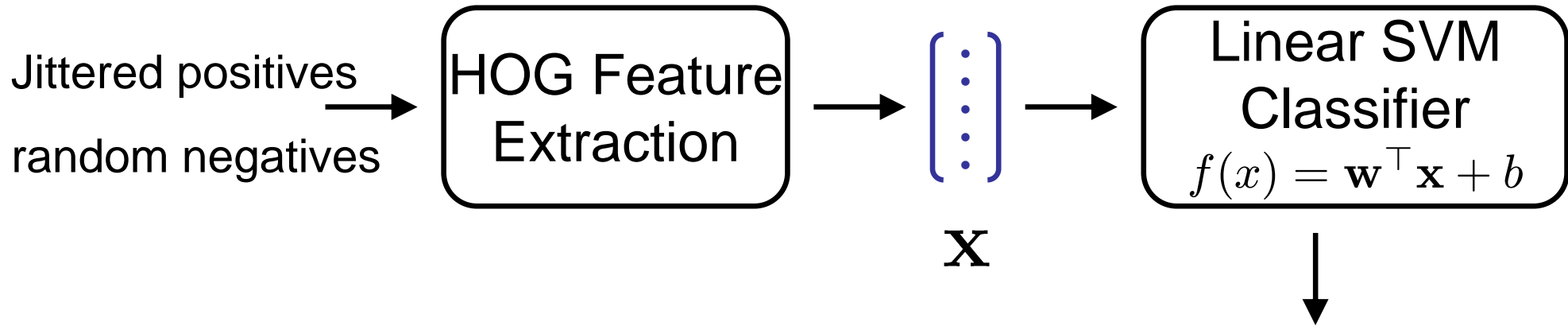
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Random negatives

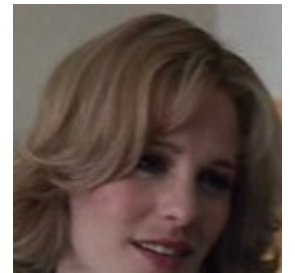
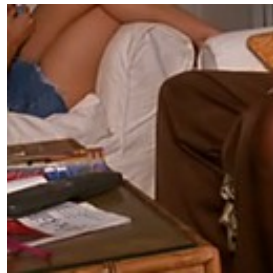
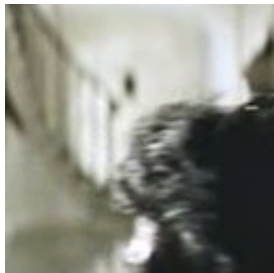
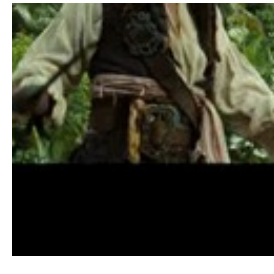
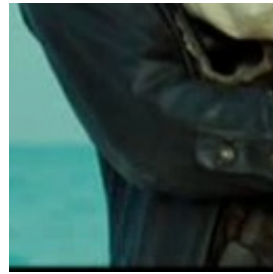
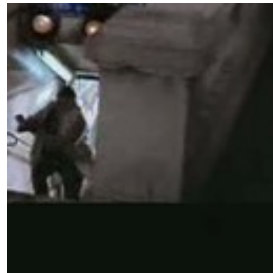
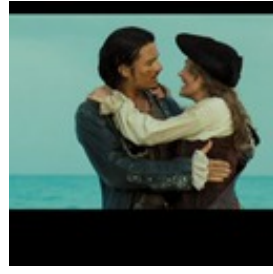
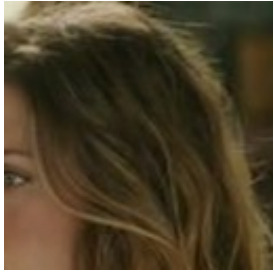


Window (Image) first stage classification

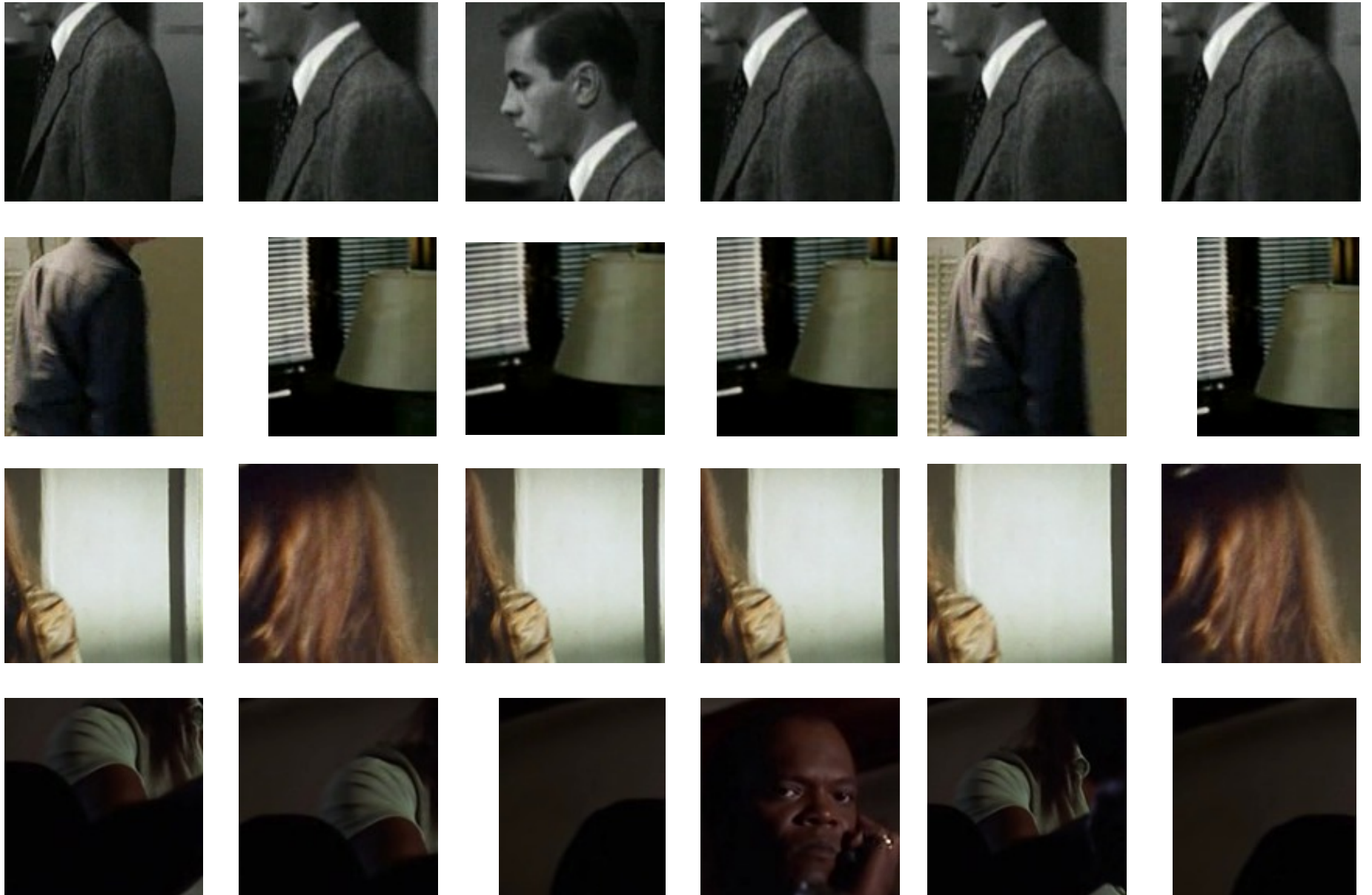


- find high scoring false positives detections
- these are the hard negatives for the next round of training
- cost = # training images x inference on each image

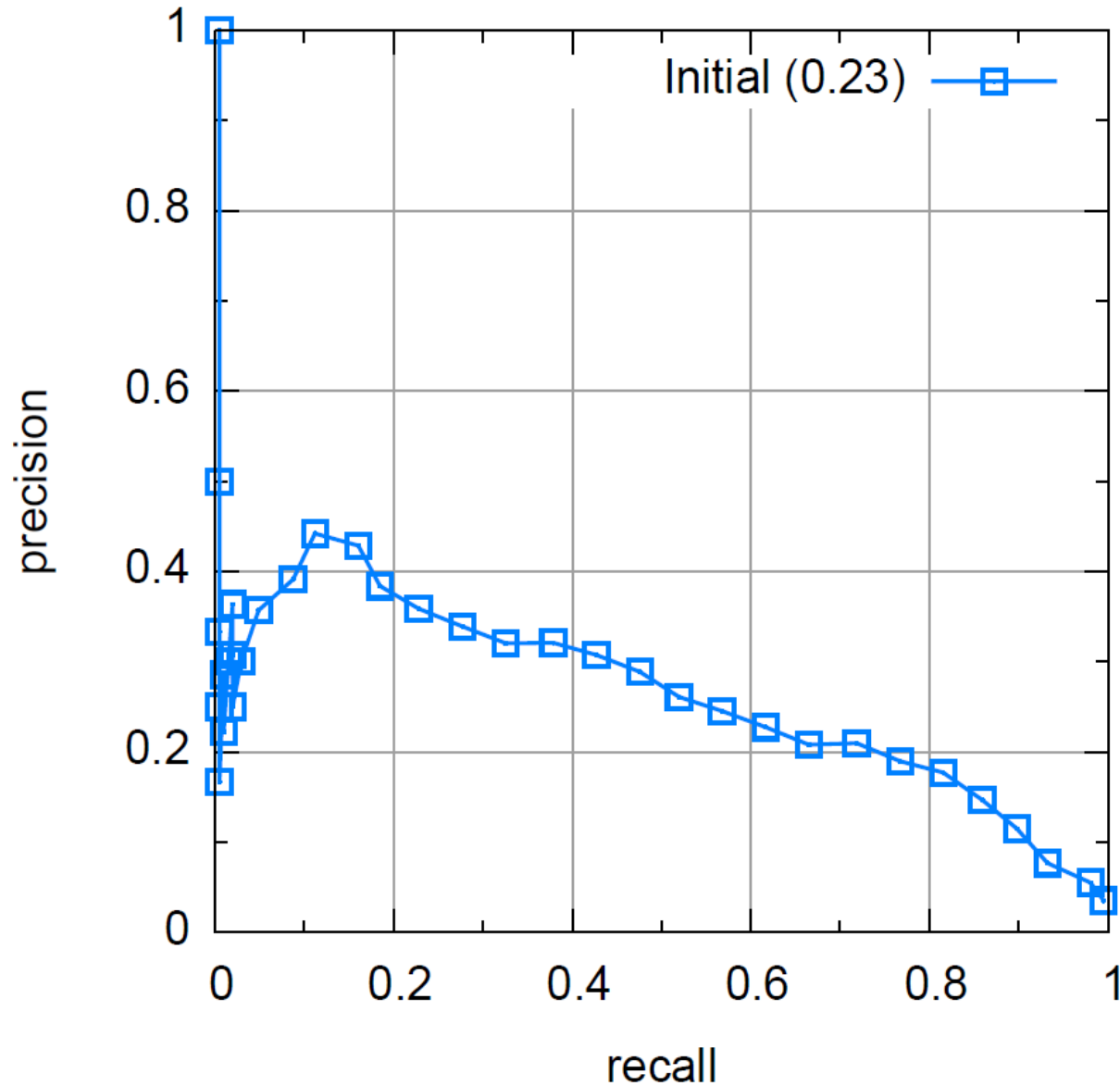
Hard negatives



Hard negatives

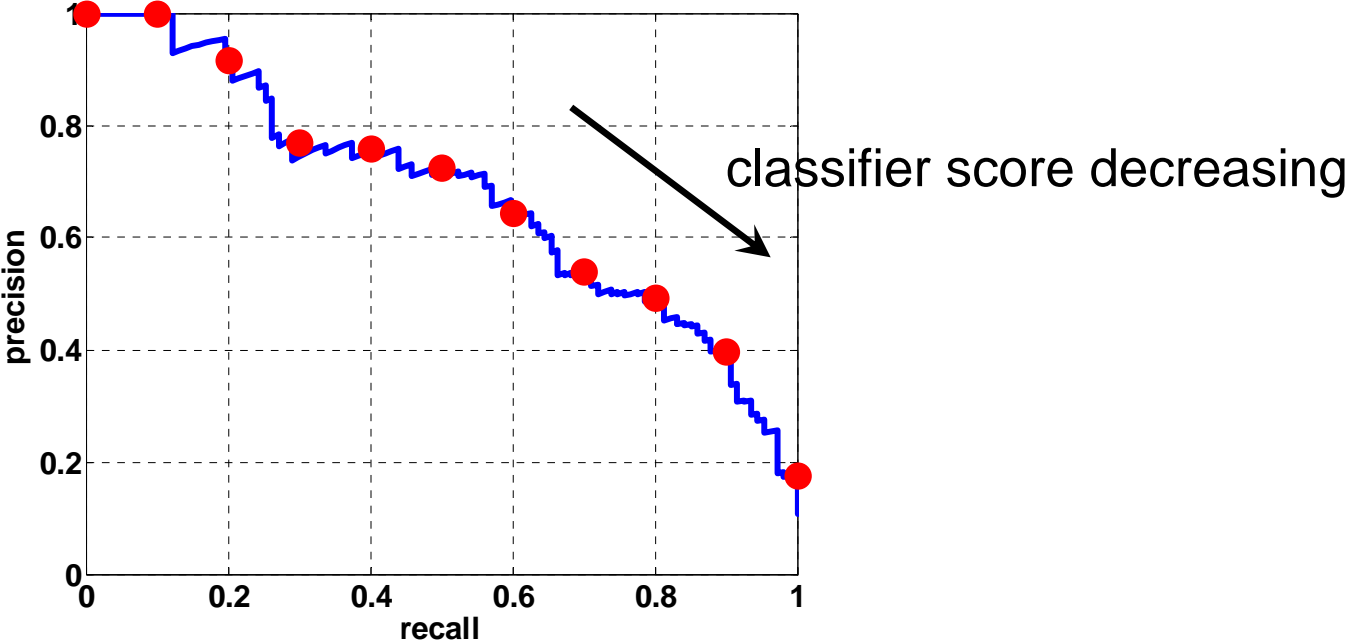
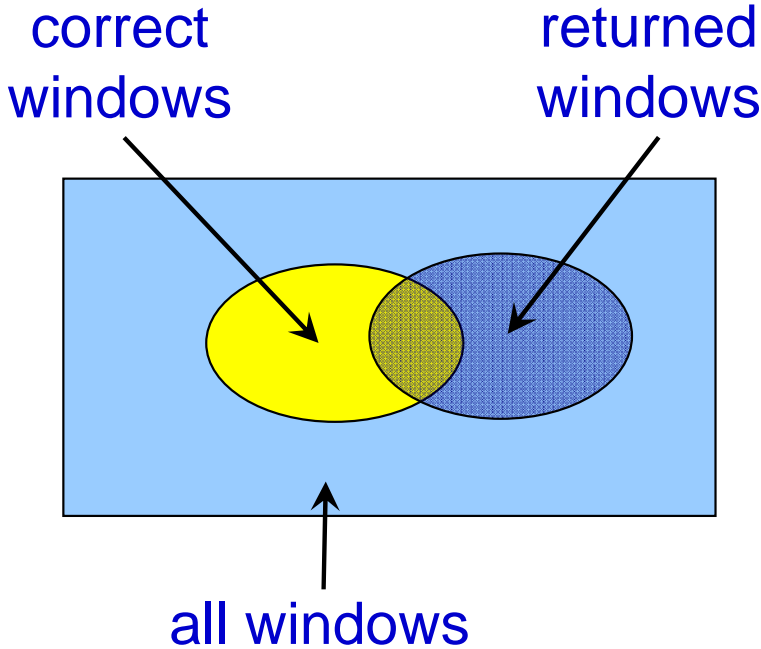
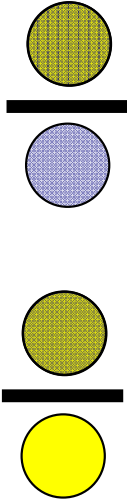


First stage performance on validation set

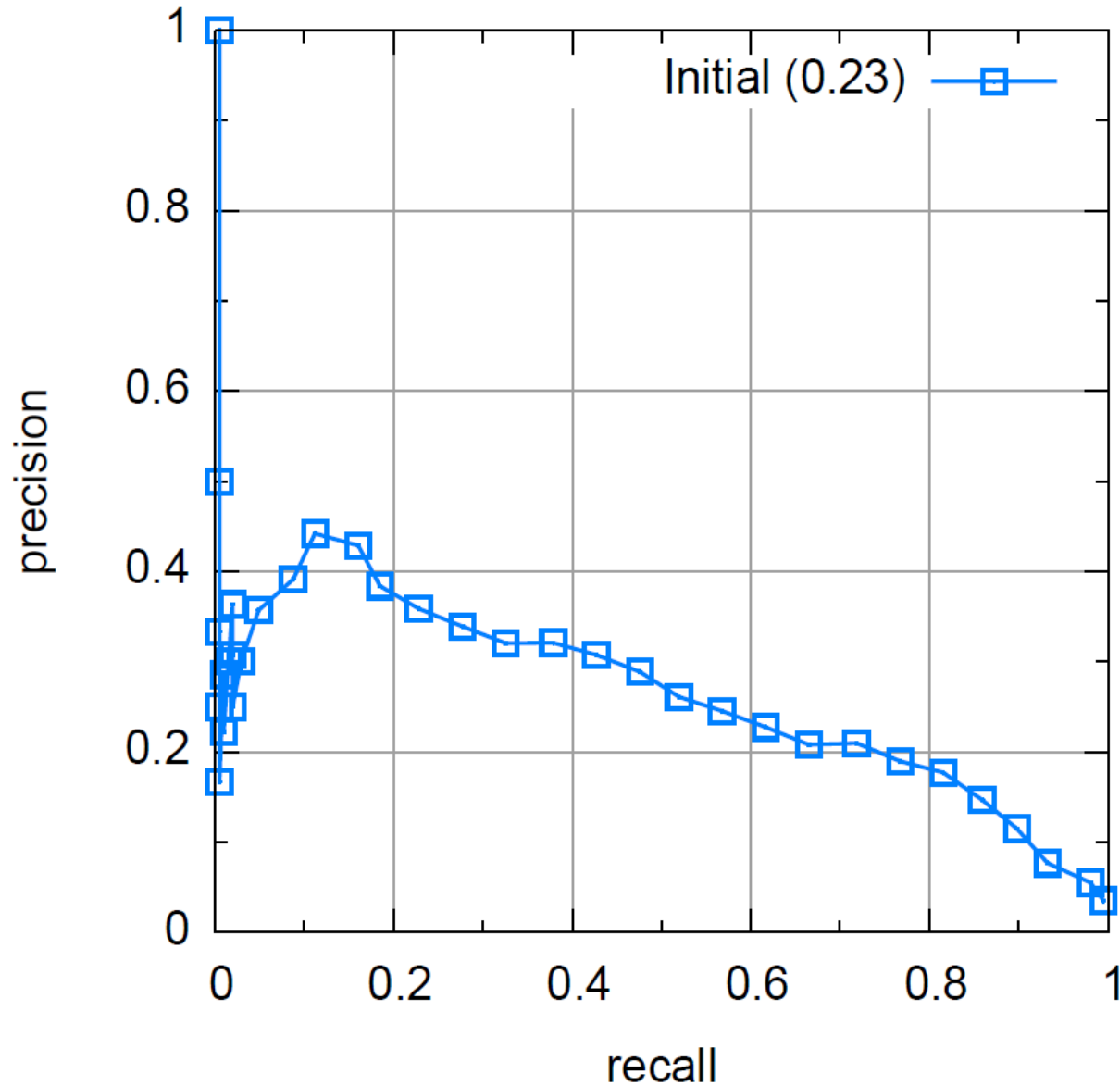


Precision – Recall curve

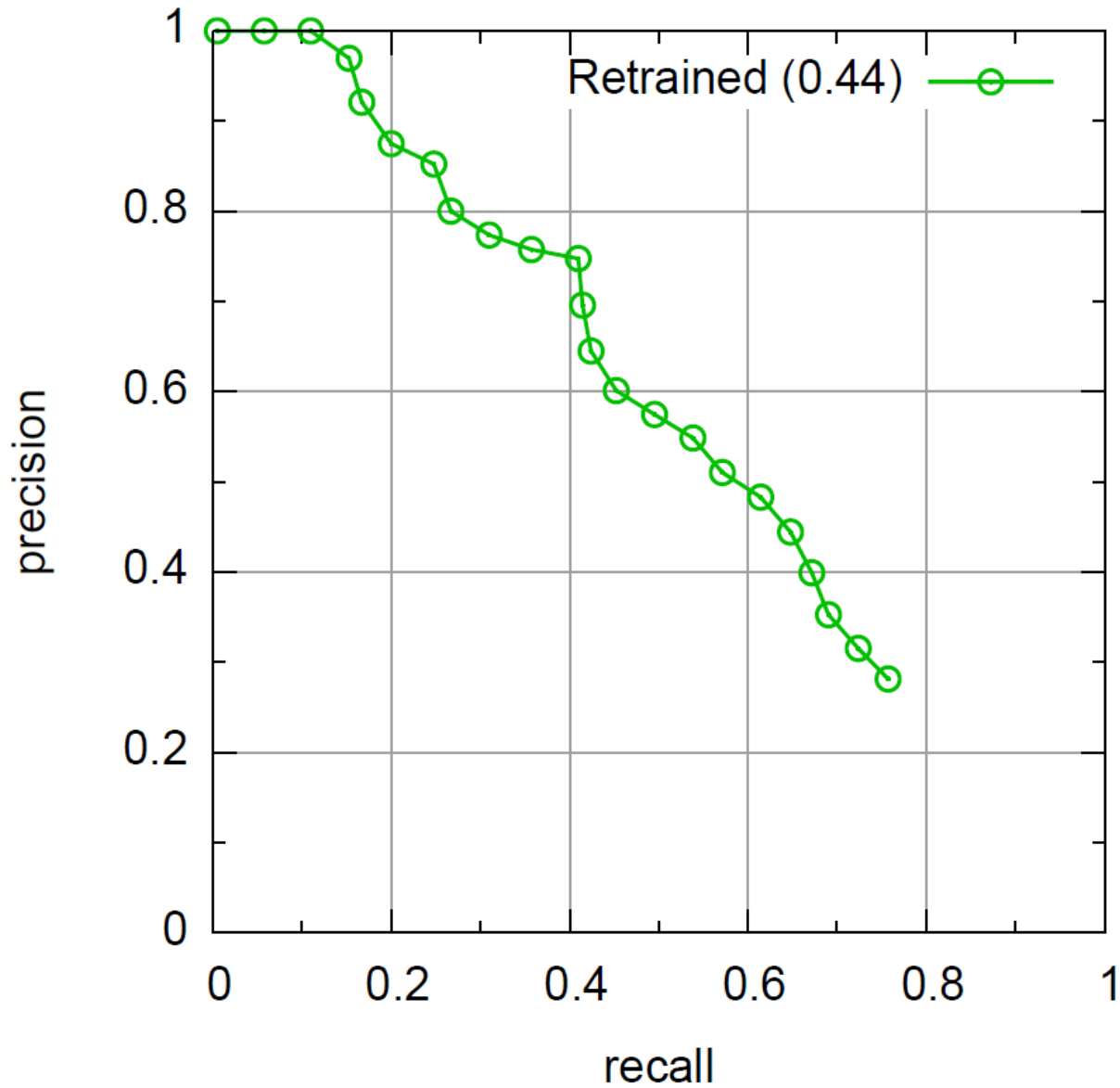
- **Precision:** % of returned windows that are correct
- **Recall:** % of correct windows that are returned



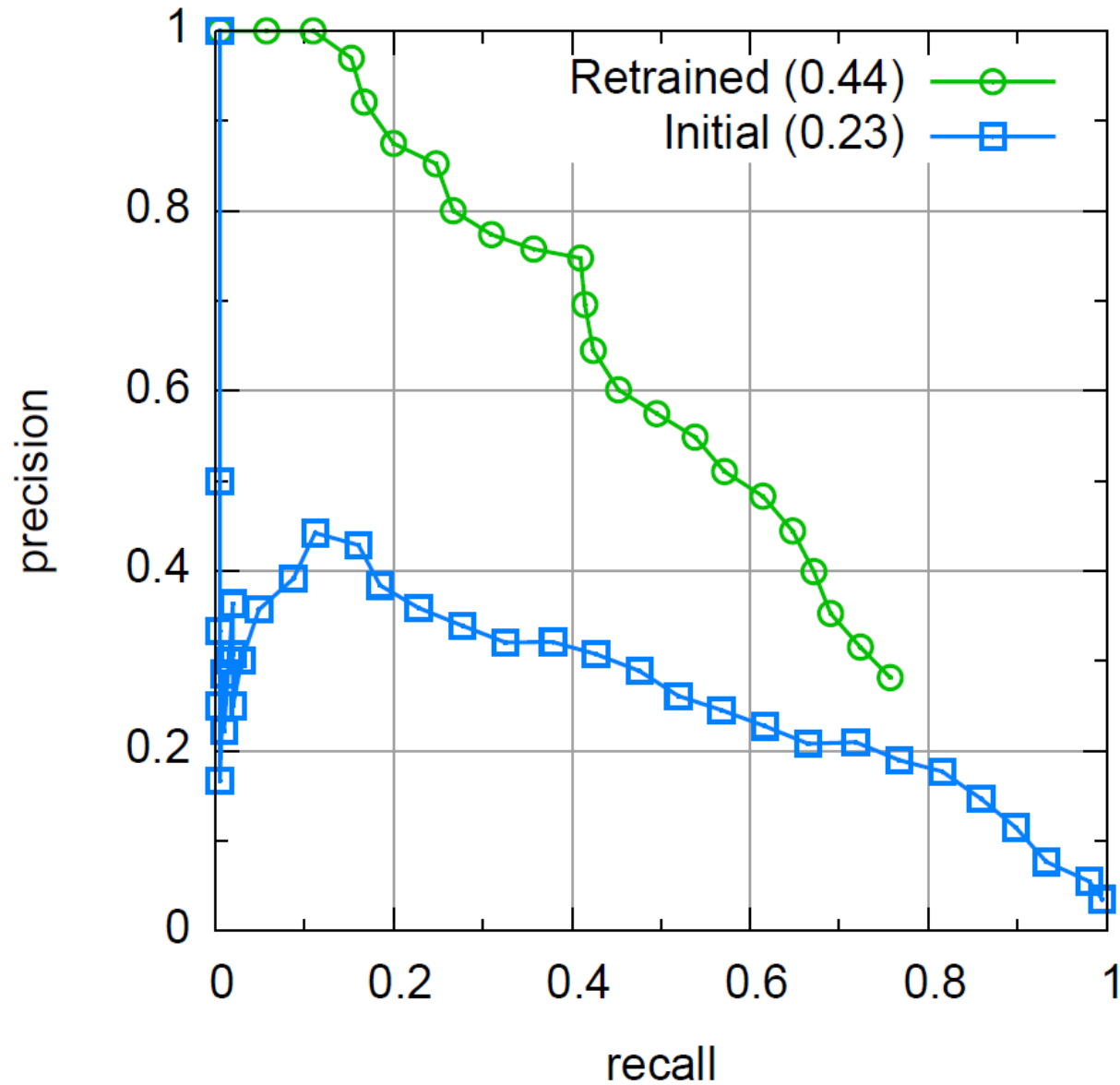
First stage performance on validation set



Performance after retraining

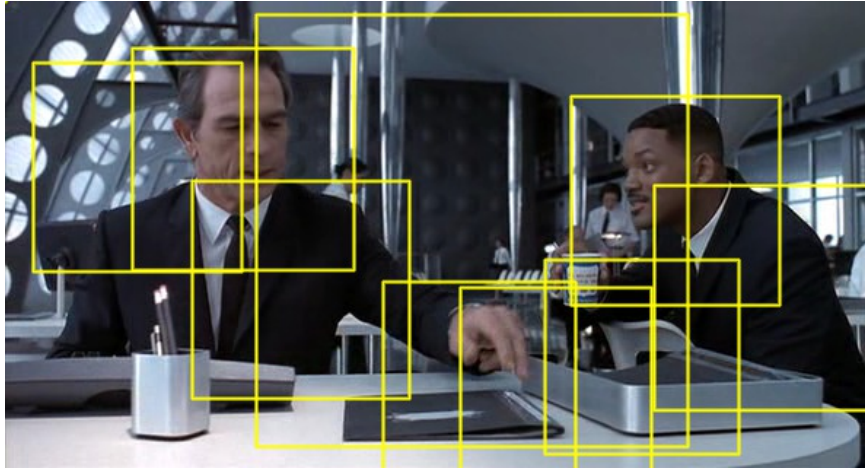


Effects of retraining

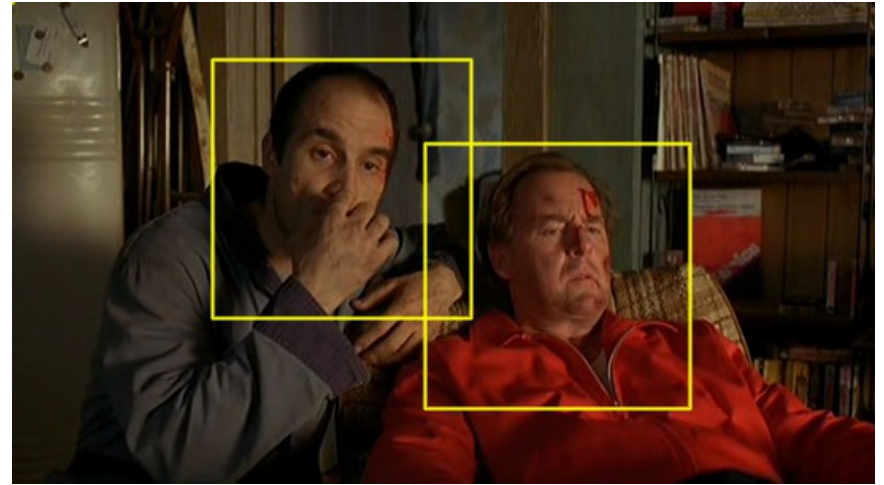
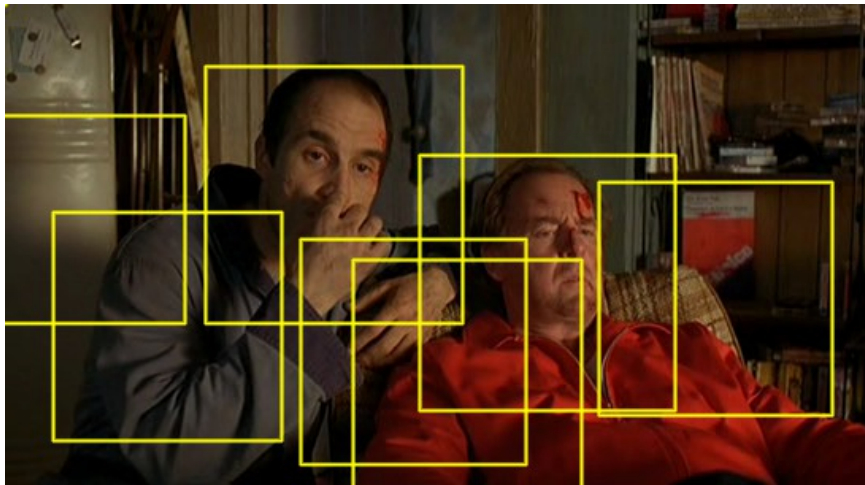
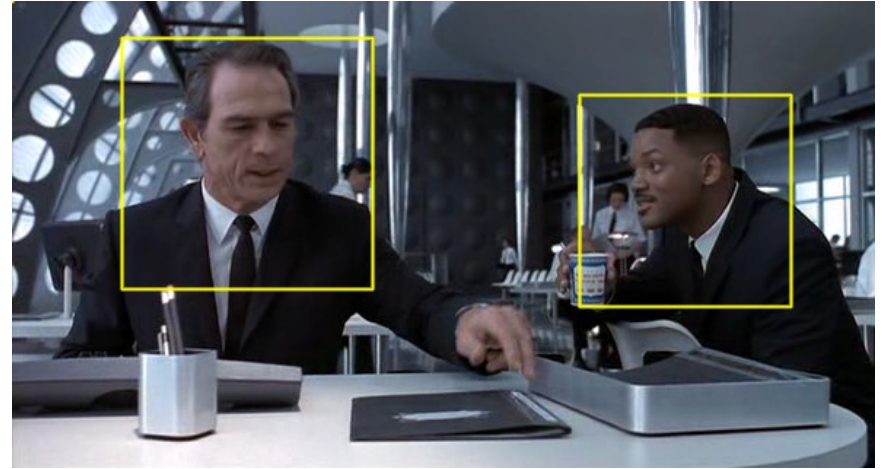


Side by side

before retraining

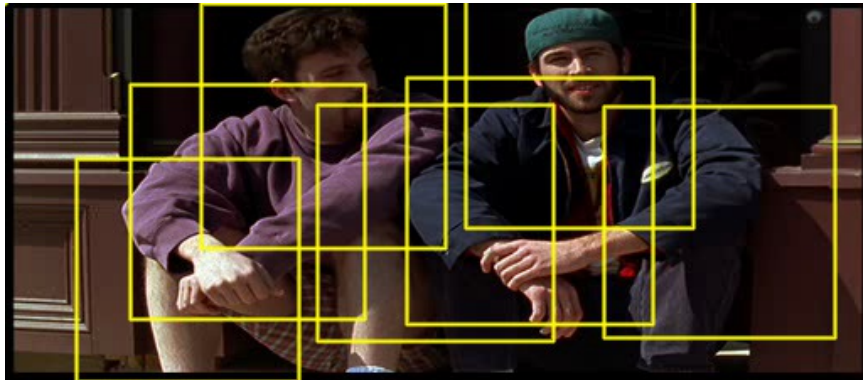


after retraining

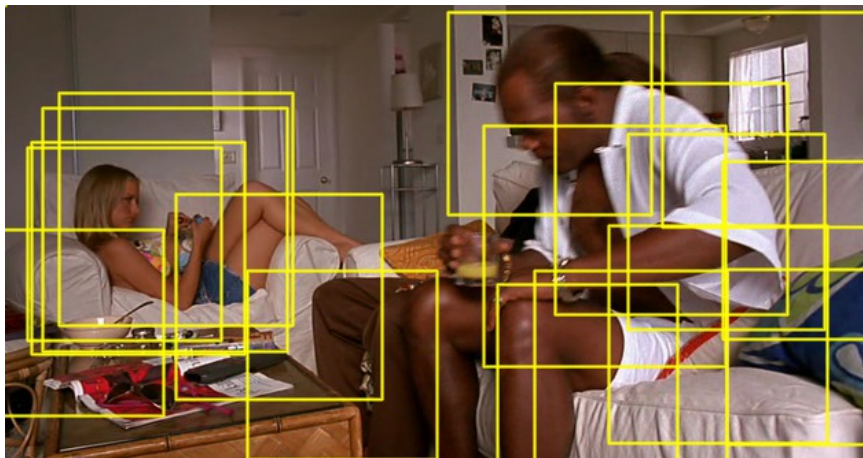


Side by side

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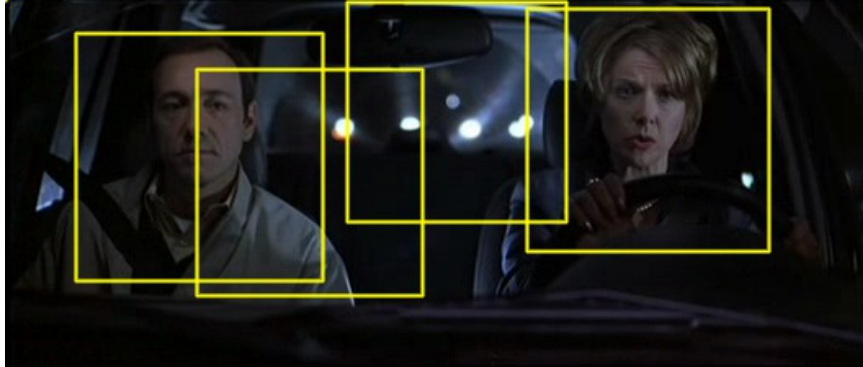


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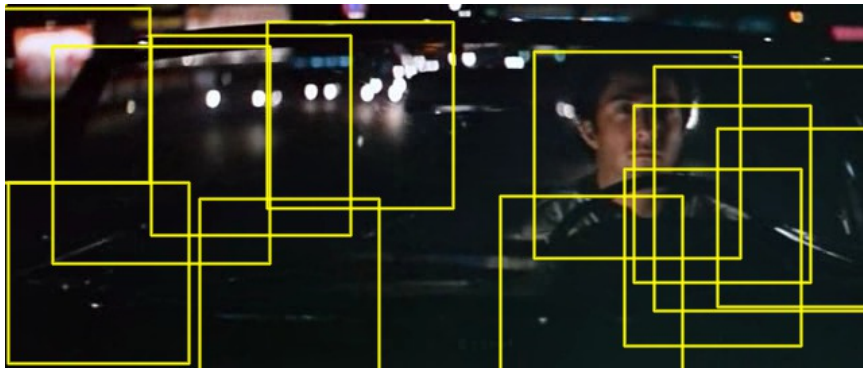


Side by side

before retraining



after retraining



Tracked upper body detections

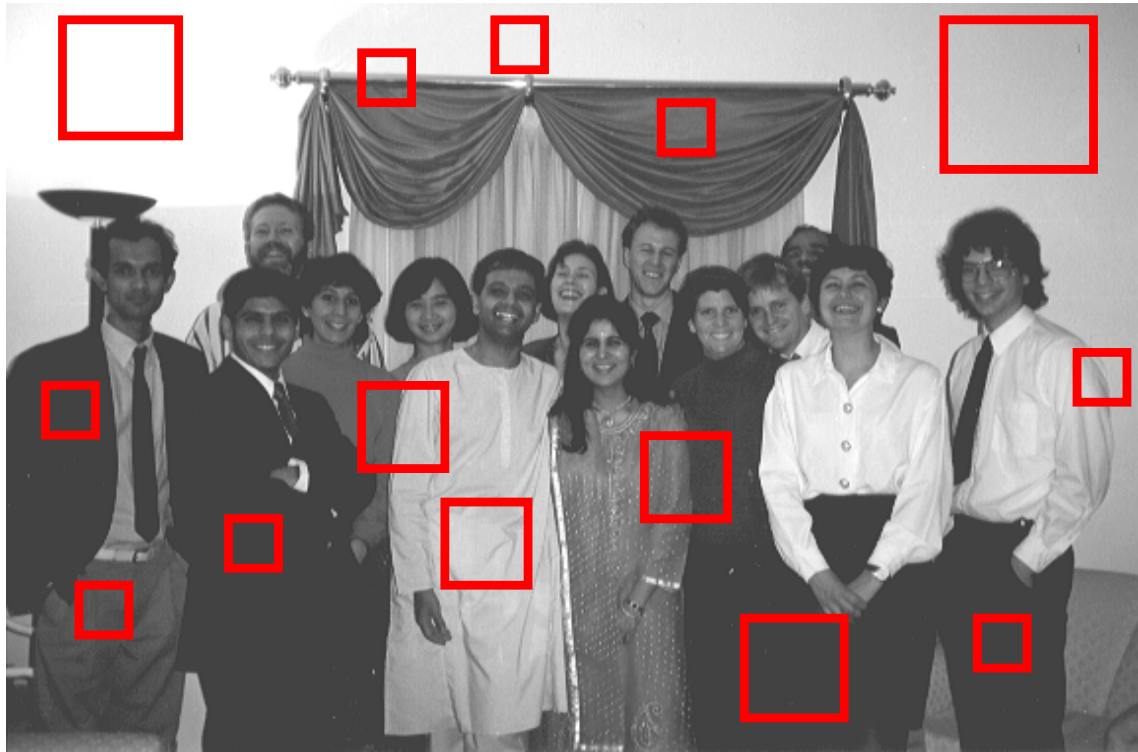


Notes

- Training (bootstrapping, retraining) can be done in a more principled way using Structured Output learning with the cutting plane algorithm
 - See Christoph Lampert's presentation
- An object category detector can be learnt from a **single** positive example
 - See Alyosha Efros' presentation on the Exemplar SVM by Malisiewicz, Gupta, Efros, ICCV 2011

Accelerating Sliding Window Search

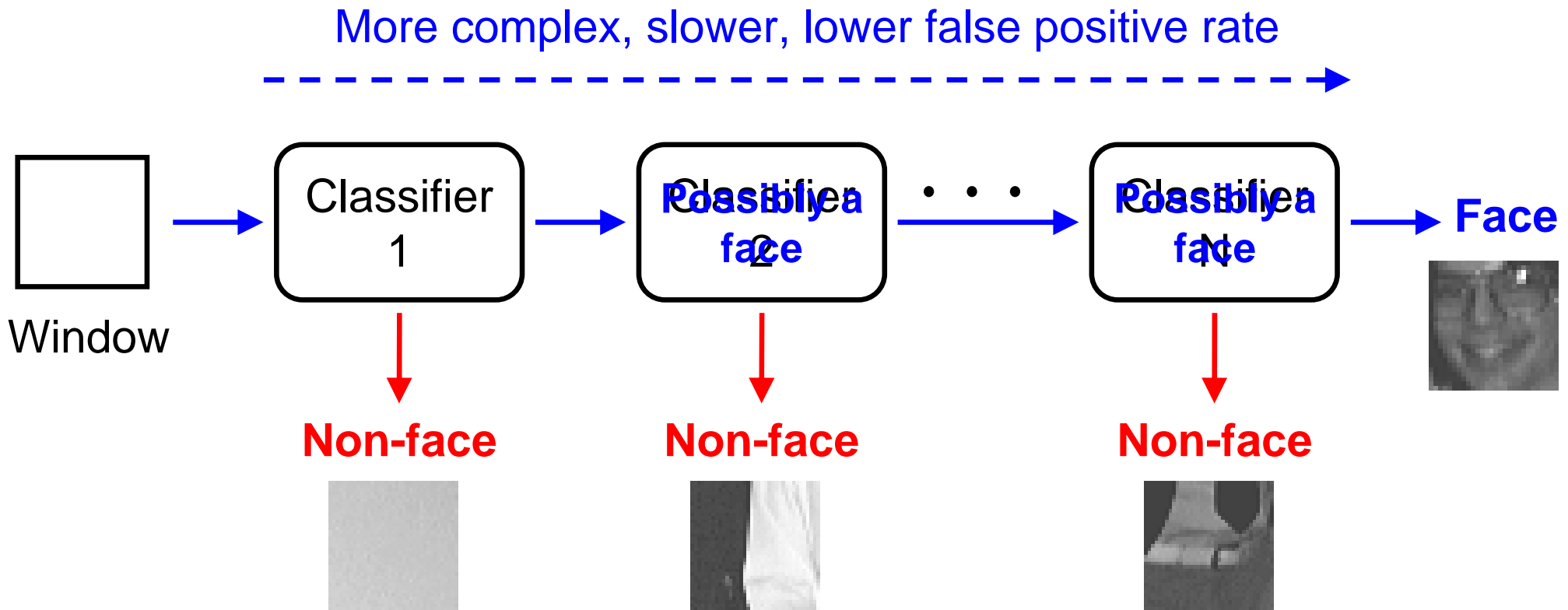
- Sliding window search is slow because so many windows are needed e.g. $x \times y \times \text{scale} \approx 100,000$ for a 320×240 image



- Most windows are clearly not the object class of interest
- Can we speed up the search?

Cascaded Classification

- Build a sequence of classifiers with increasing complexity



- Reject easy non-objects using simpler and faster classifiers

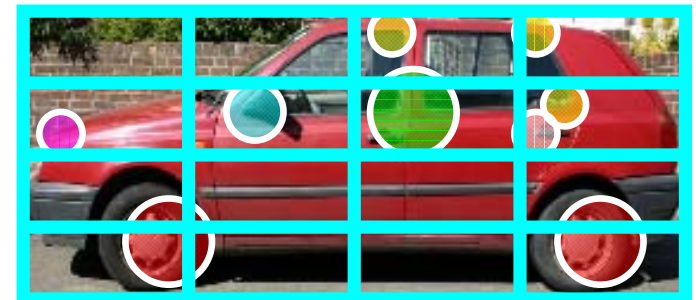
Cascaded Classification



- Slow expensive classifiers only applied to a few windows \Rightarrow significant speed-up
- Controlling classifier complexity/speed:
 - Number of support vectors [Romdhani et al, 2001]
 - Number of features [Viola & Jones, 2001]
 - Type of SVM kernel [Vedaldi et al, 2009]
 - Number of parts [Felzenszwalb et al, 2011]

Summary: Sliding Window Detection

- Can convert any image classifier into an object detector by sliding window. Efficient search methods available.
- Requirements for invariance are reduced by searching over e.g. translation and scale
- Spatial correspondence can be “engineered in” by spatial tiling



Outline

1. Sliding window detectors
2. Features and adding spatial information
3. HOG + linear SVM classifier
4. Two state of the art algorithms and PASCAL VOC
 - VOC challenge
 - Vedaldi et al – multiple kernels and features, cascade
 - Felzenswalb et al – multiple parts, latent SVM
5. The future and challenges

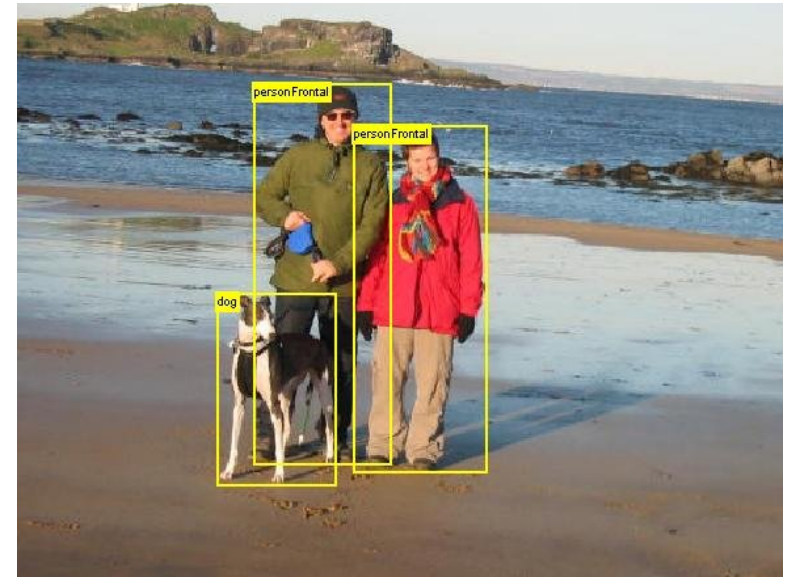
The PASCAL Visual Object Classes (VOC) Dataset and Challenge

Mark Everingham
Luc Van Gool
Chris Williams
John Winn
Andrew Zisserman



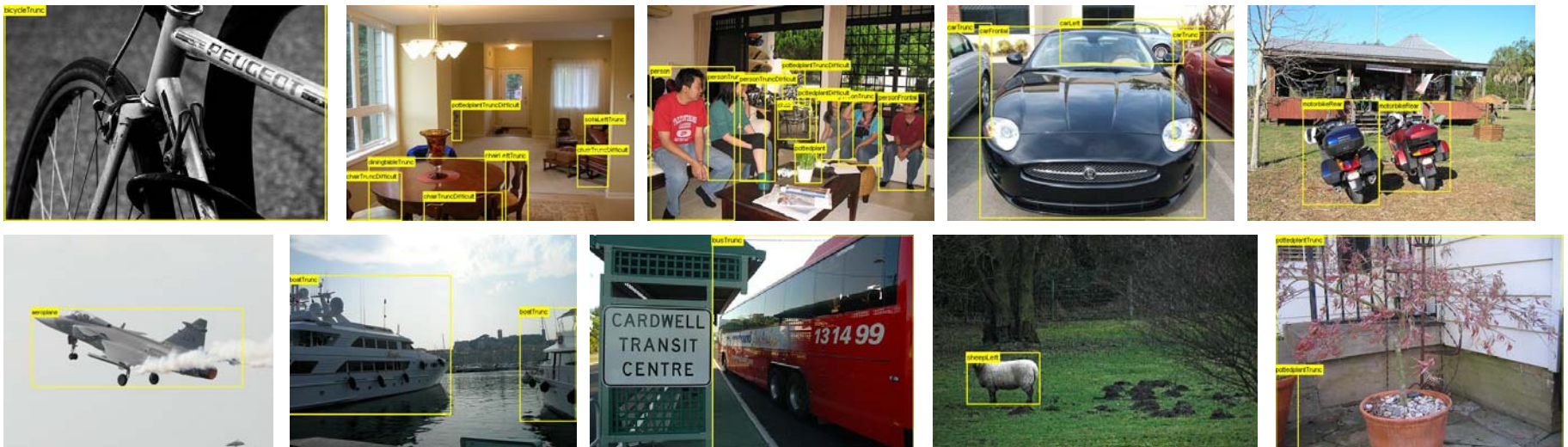
The PASCAL VOC Challenge

- Challenge in visual object recognition funded by PASCAL network of excellence
- Publicly available dataset of annotated images
- Main competitions in classification (is there an X in this image), detection (where are the X's), and segmentation (which pixels belong to X)
- “Taster competitions” in 2-D human “pose estimation” (2007-present) and static action classes (2010-present)
- Standard evaluation protocol (software supplied)



Dataset Content

- 20 classes: aeroplane, bicycle, boat, bottle, bus, car, cat, chair, cow, dining table, dog, horse, motorbike, person, potted plant, sheep, train, TV
- Real images downloaded from flickr, not filtered for “quality”



- Complex scenes, scale, pose, lighting, occlusion, ...

Annotation

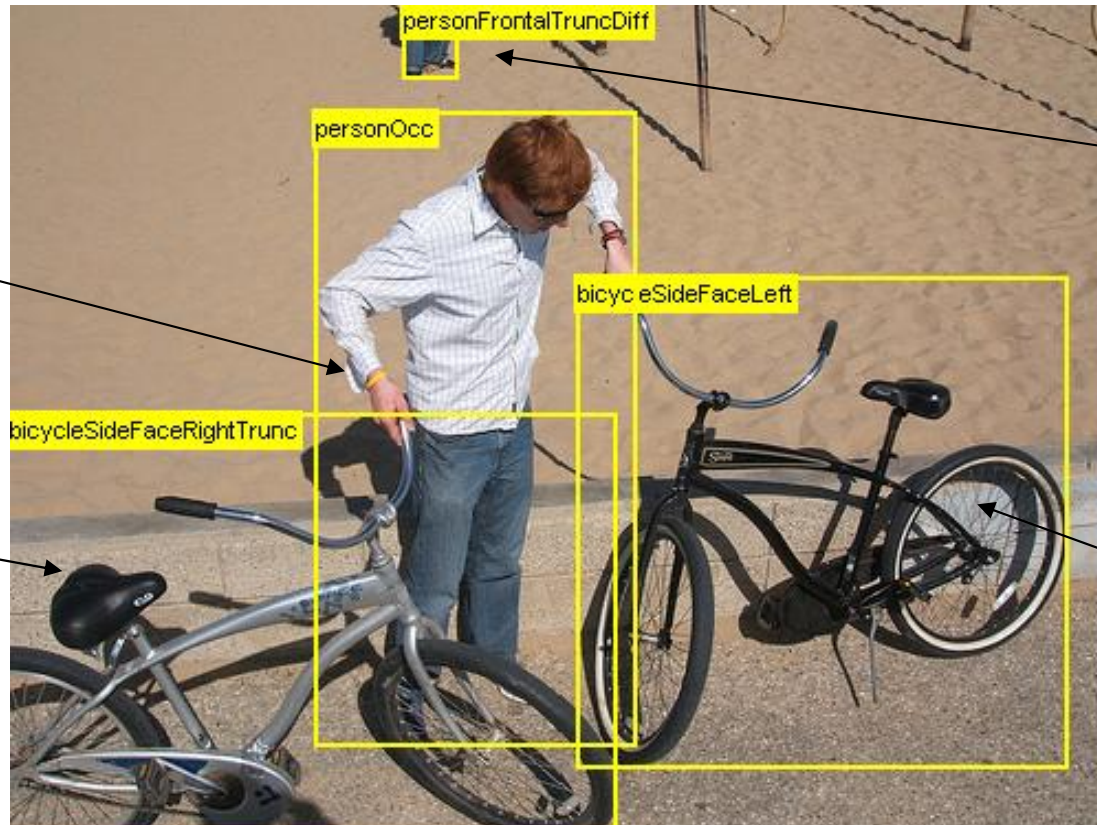
- Complete annotation of all objects
- Annotated in one session with written guidelines

Occluded

Object is significantly occluded within BB

Truncated

Object extends beyond BB



Difficult

Not scored in evaluation

Pose

Facing left

Examples

Aeroplane



Bicycle



Bird



Boat



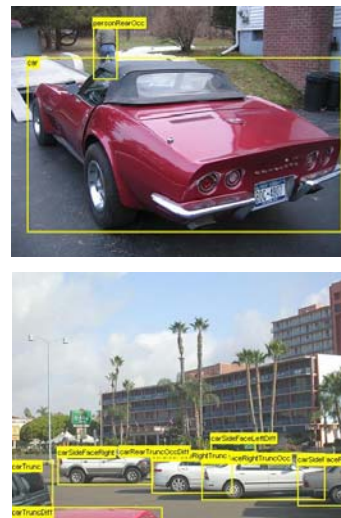
Bottle



Bus



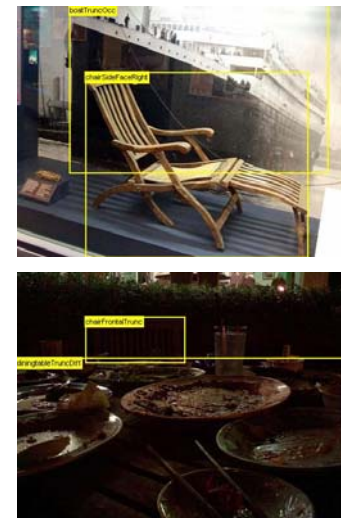
Car



Cat



Chair

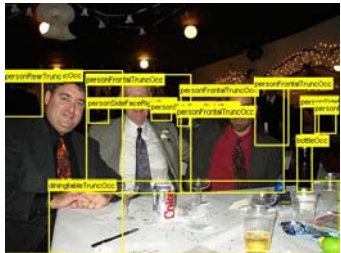


Cow



Examples

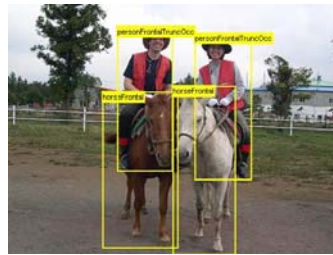
Dining Table



Dog



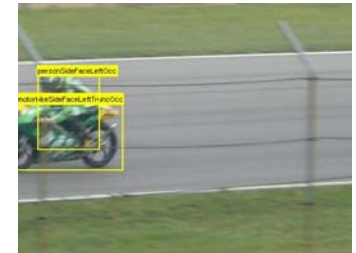
Horse



Motorbike



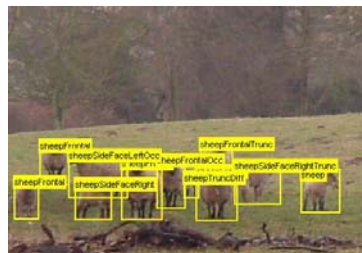
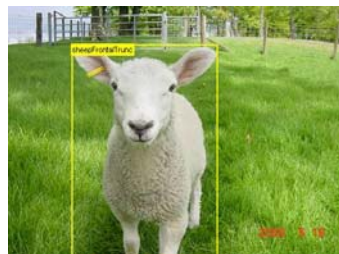
Person



Potted Plant



Sheep



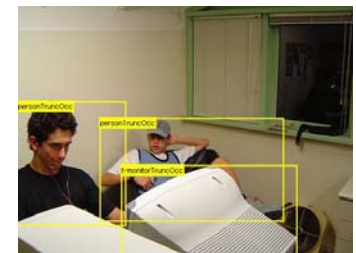
Sofa



Train



TV/Monitor



Challenges

20 object classes

1. Classification Challenge: Name Objects

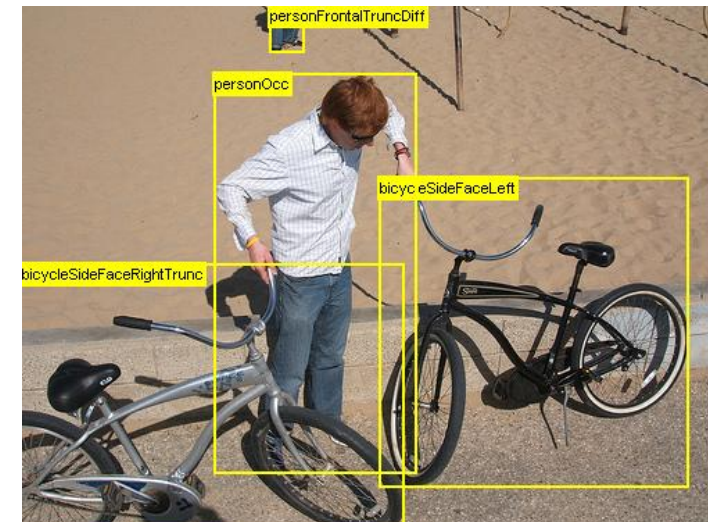
- Predict whether at least one object of a given class is present in an image

2. Detection Challenge: Localize objects

- Predict the bounding boxes of all objects of a given class in an image (if any)

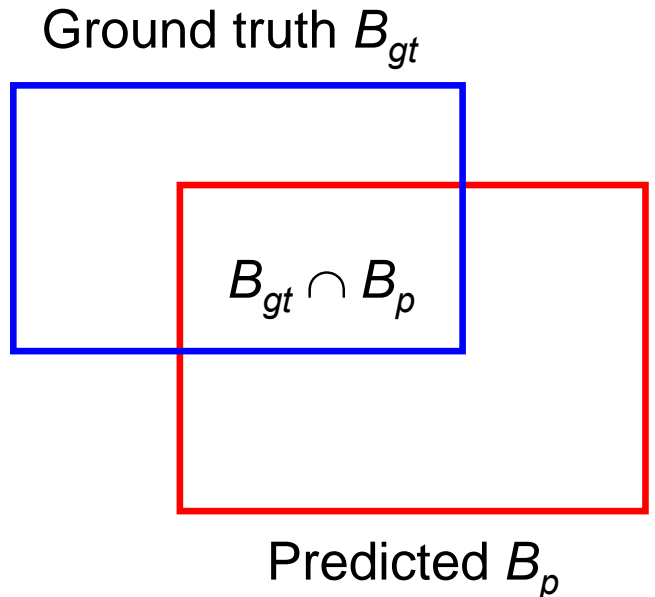
3. Segmentation Challenge:

- For each pixel, predict the class of the object containing that pixel or 'background'.



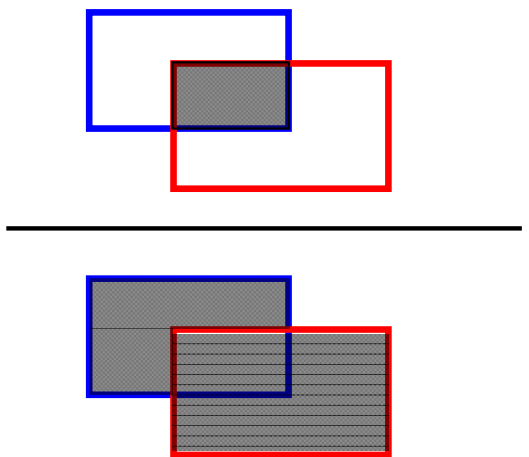
Detection: Evaluation of Bounding Boxes

- Area of Overlap (AO) Measure



$$AO(B_{gt}, B_p) = \frac{|B_{gt} \cap B_p|}{|B_{gt} \cup B_p|}$$

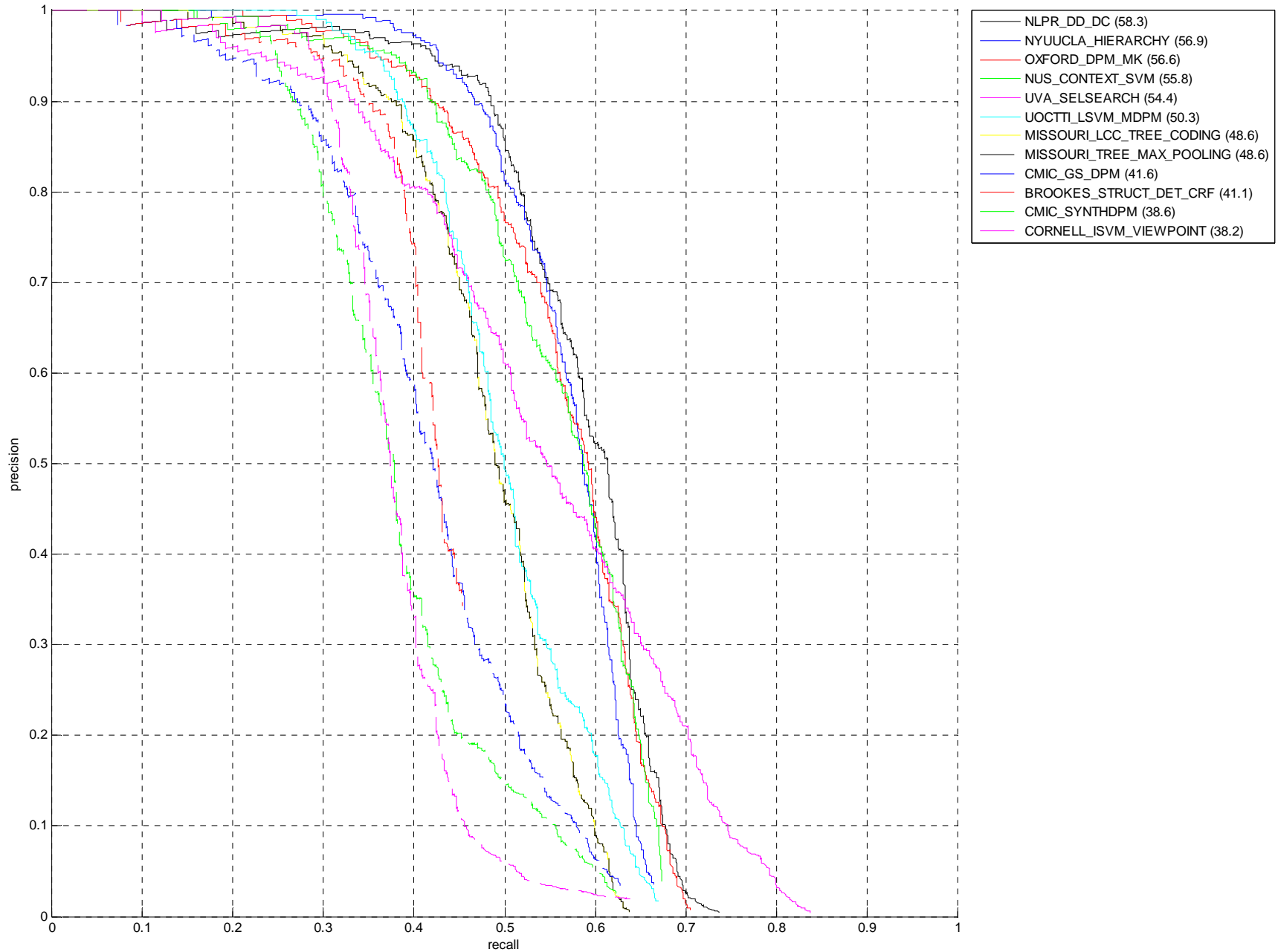
Detection if



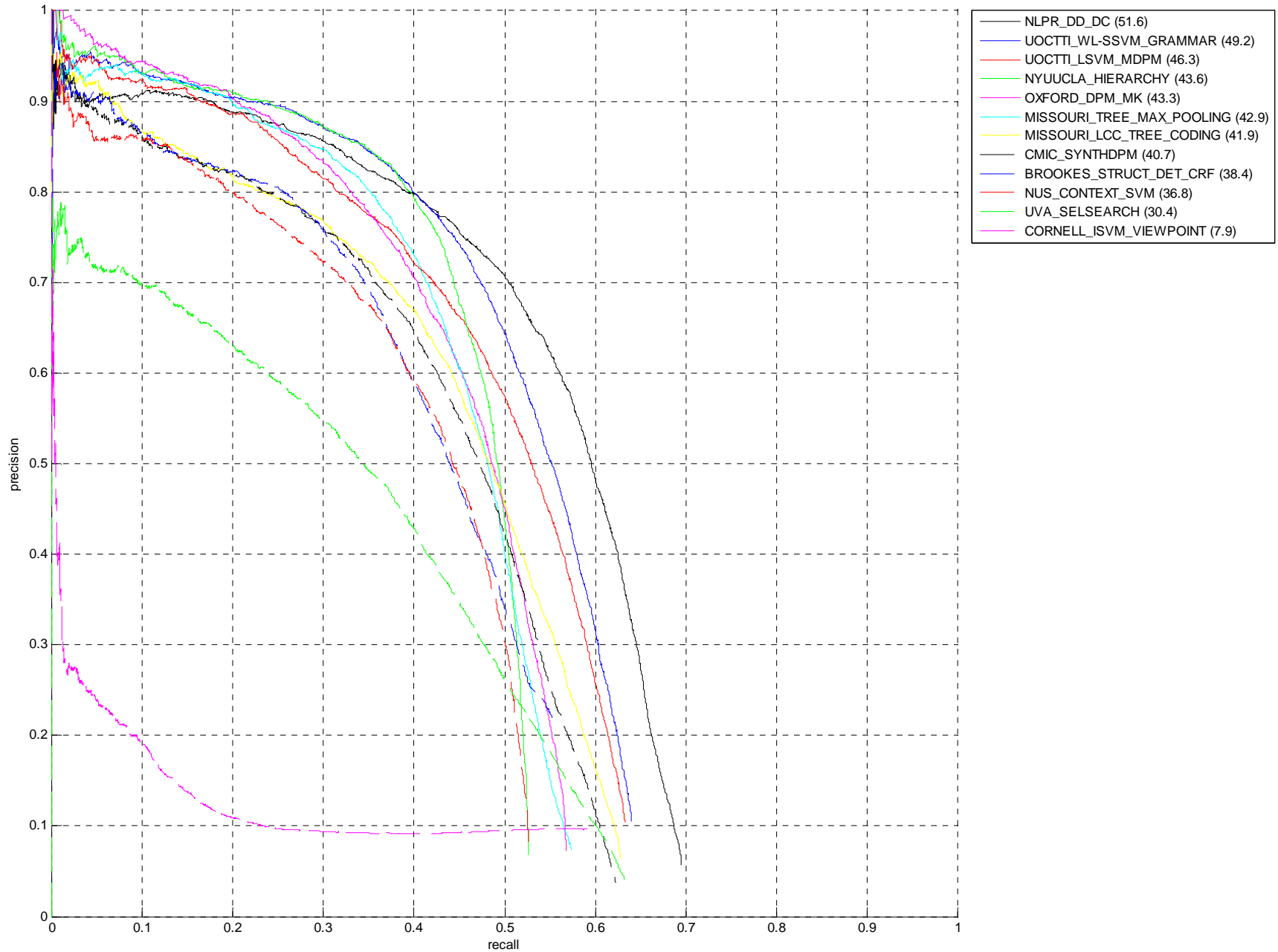
> Threshold
50%

- Evaluation: Average precision per class on predictions

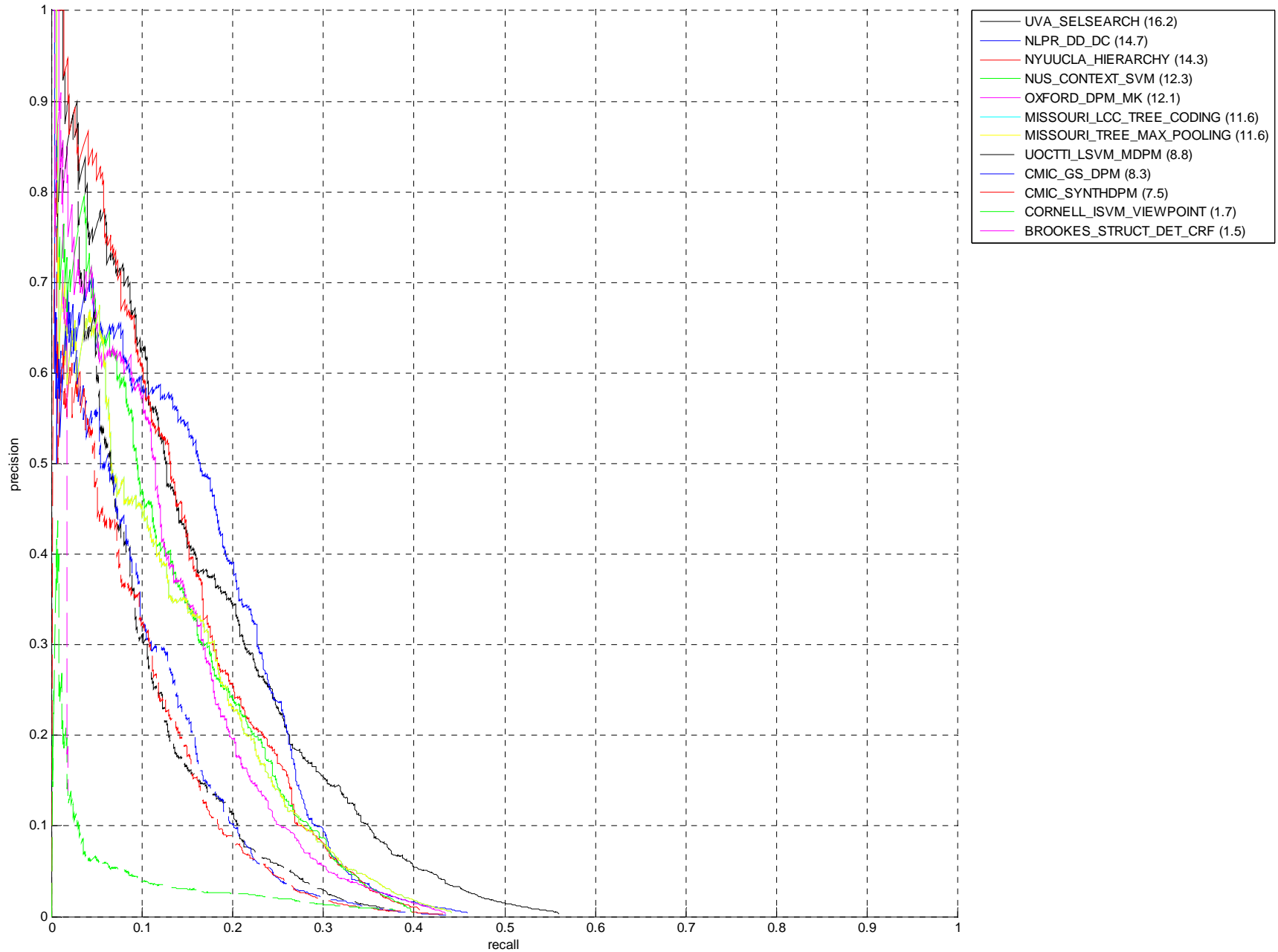
Precision/Recall - Motorbike



Precision/Recall - Person



Precision/Recall – Potted plant

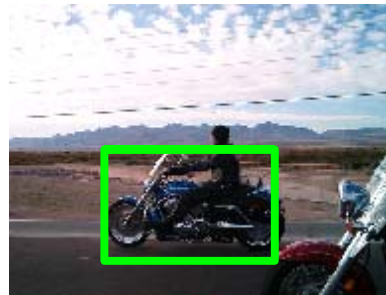


“True Positives” - Motorbike

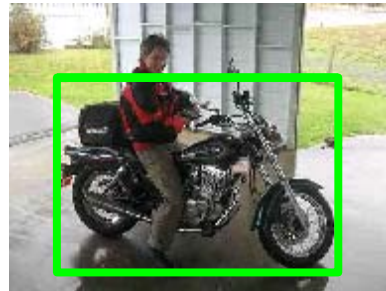
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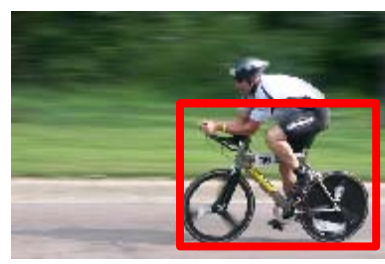
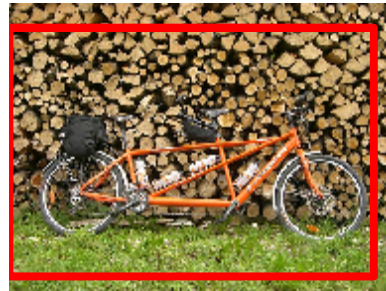
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“True Positives” - Cat

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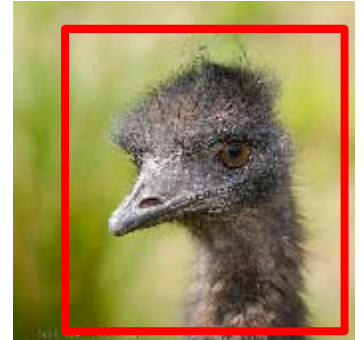
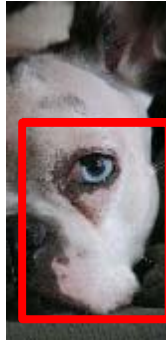


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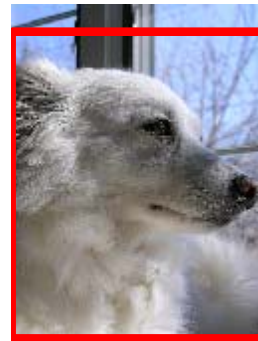
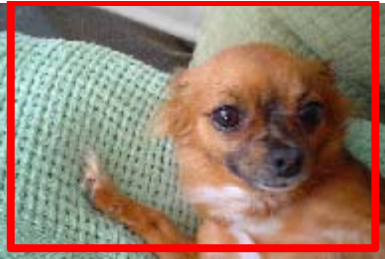


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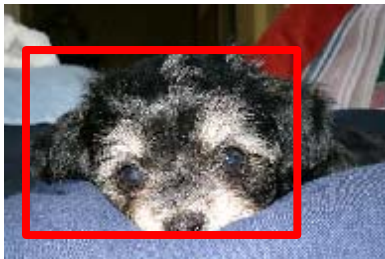
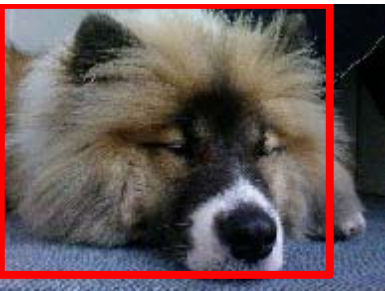
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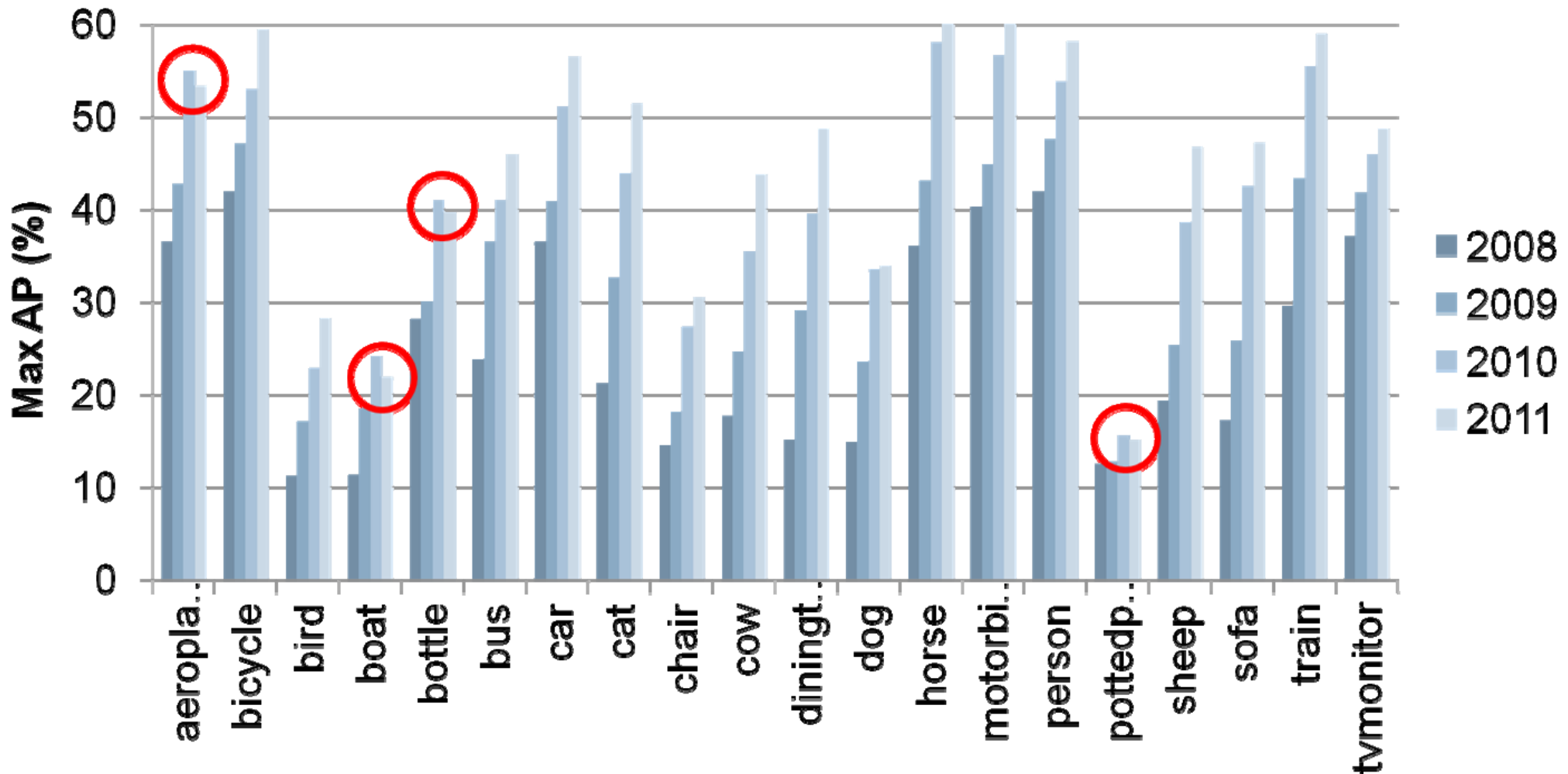
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Progress 2008-2011



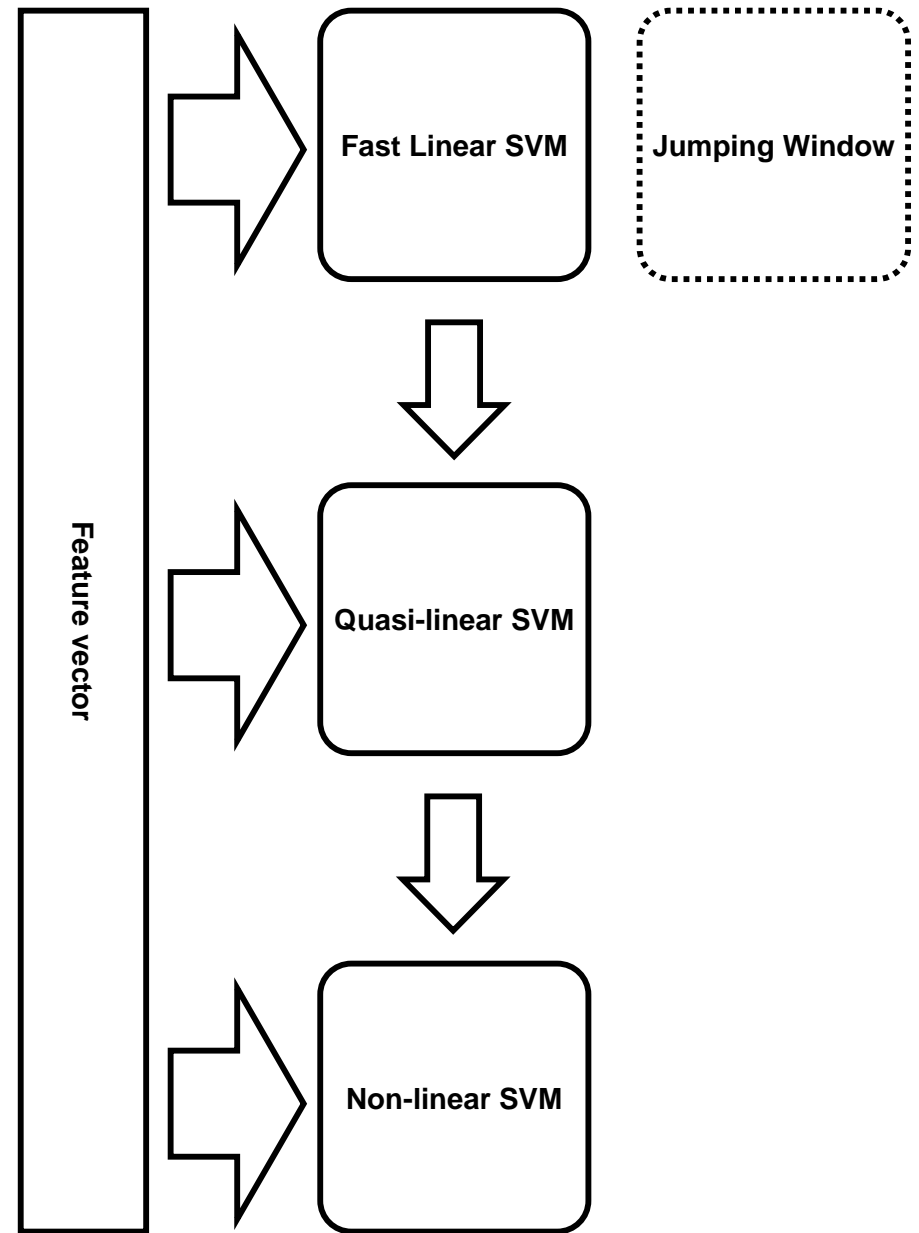
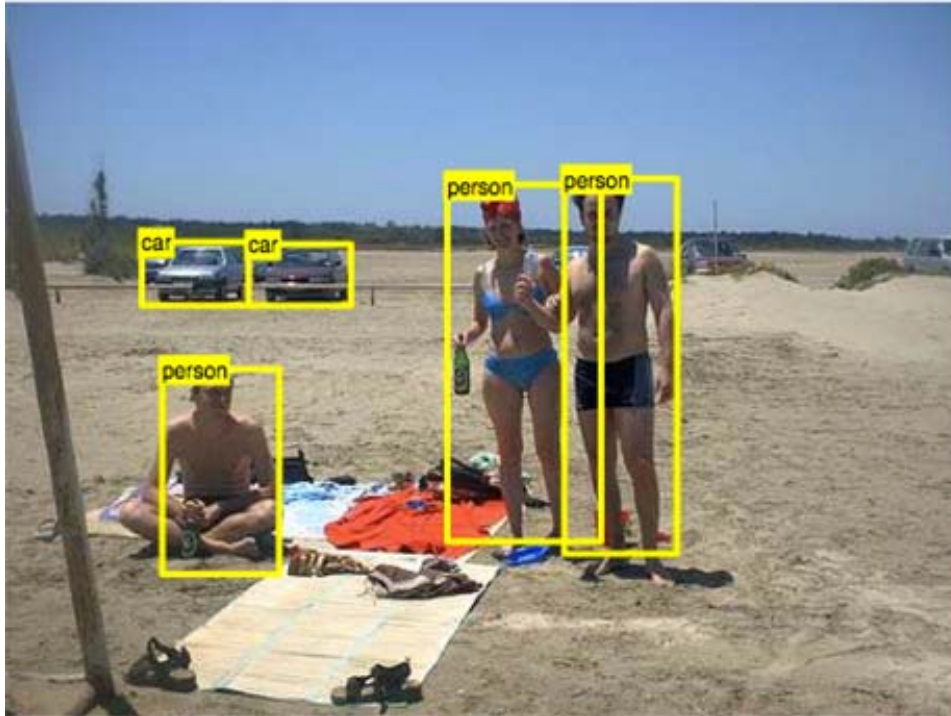
- Results on 2008 data improve for best methods 2009-2011 for almost all categories
 - Caveats: More training data + re-use of test data

Multiple Kernels for Object Detection

Andrea Vedaldi, Varun Gulshan,
Manik Varma, Andrew Zisserman

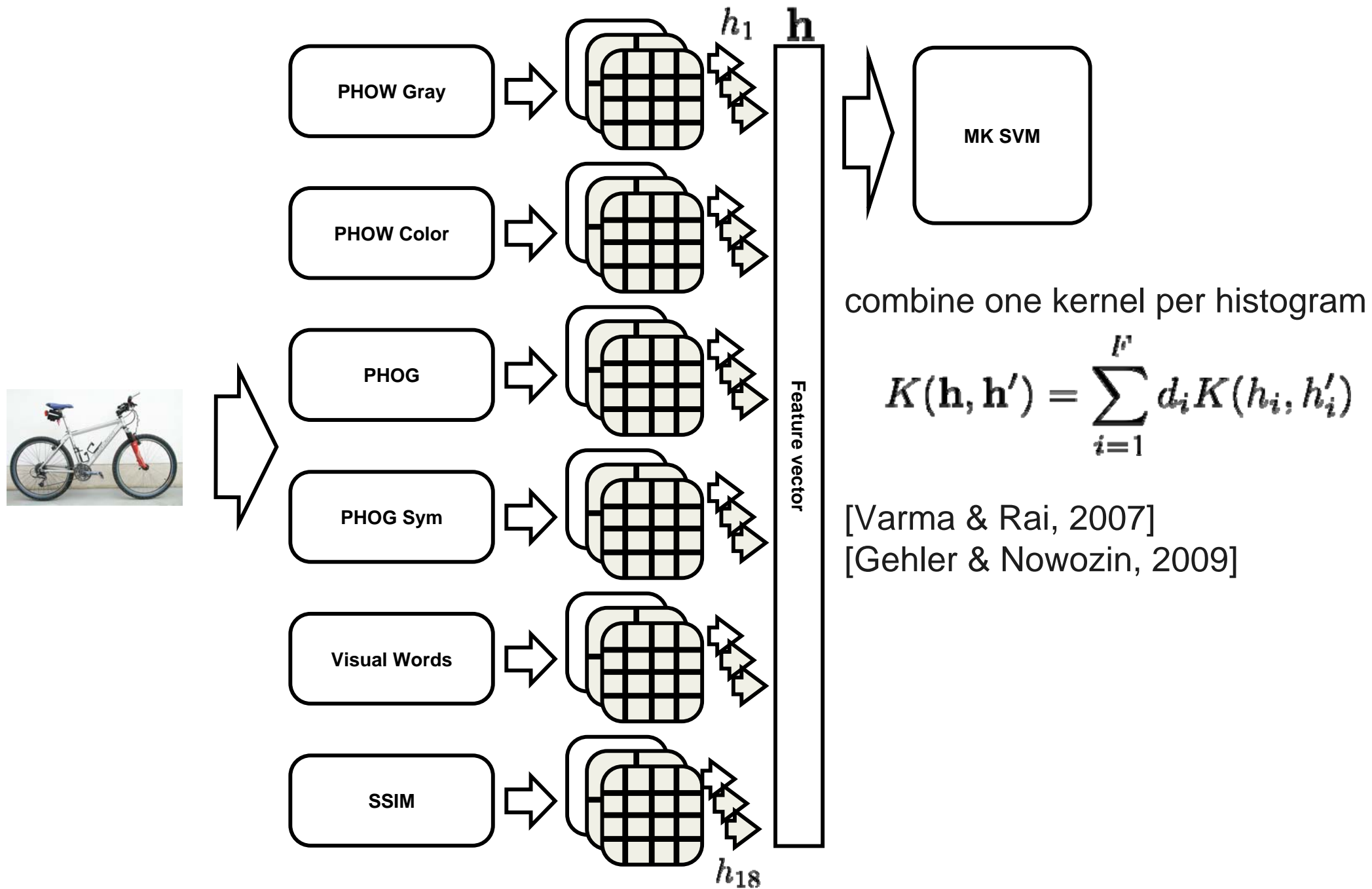
ICCV 2009

Approach



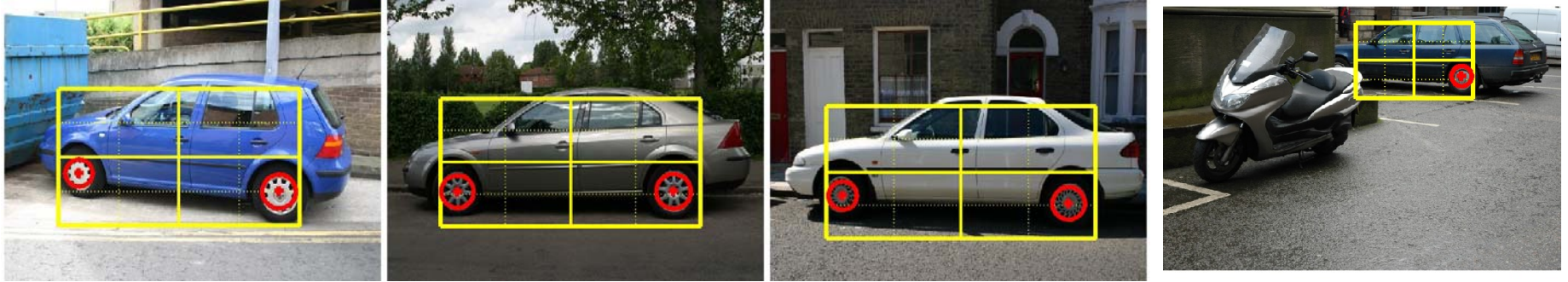
- Three stage cascade
 - Each stage uses a more powerful and more expensive classifier
- Multiple kernel learning for the classifiers over multiple features
- Jumping window first stage

Multiple Kernel Classification

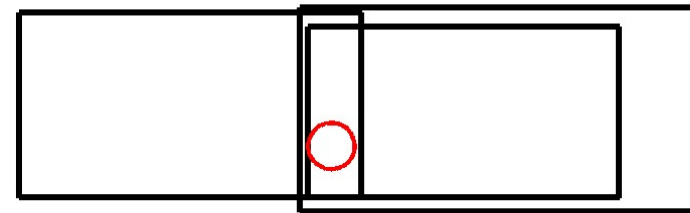
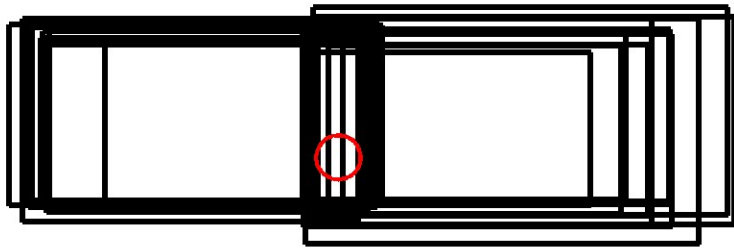


Jumping window

Training

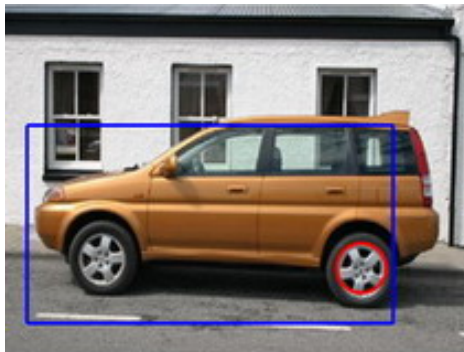


Position of visual word with respect to the object



learn the position/scale/aspect ratio of the ROI with respect to the visual word

Detection

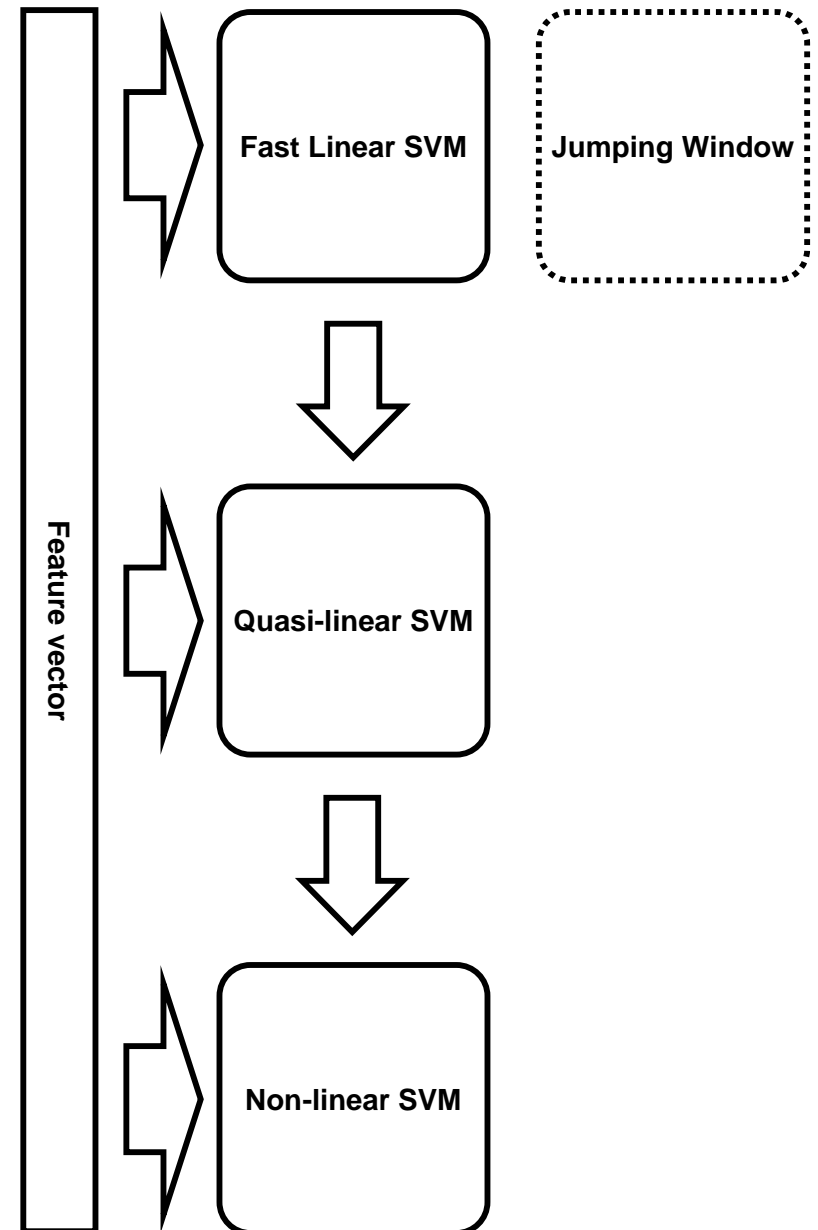


Hypothesis

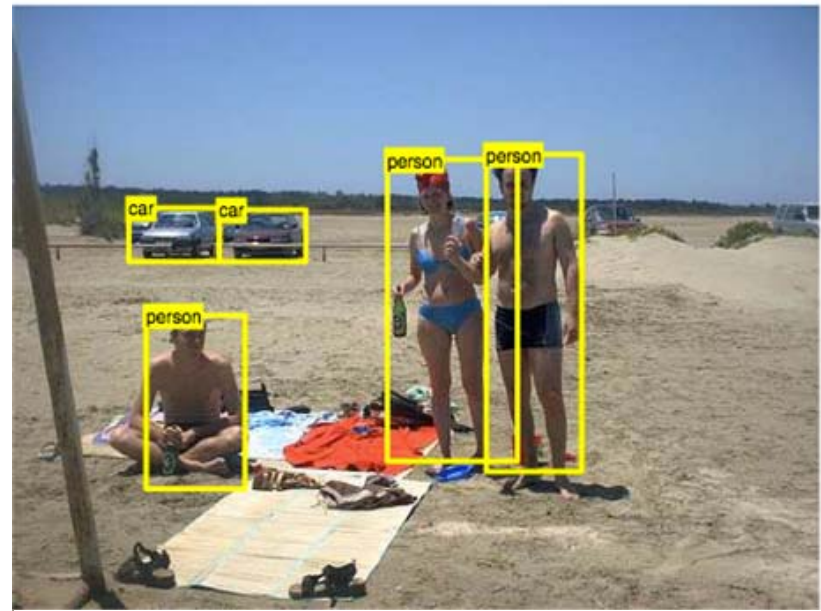
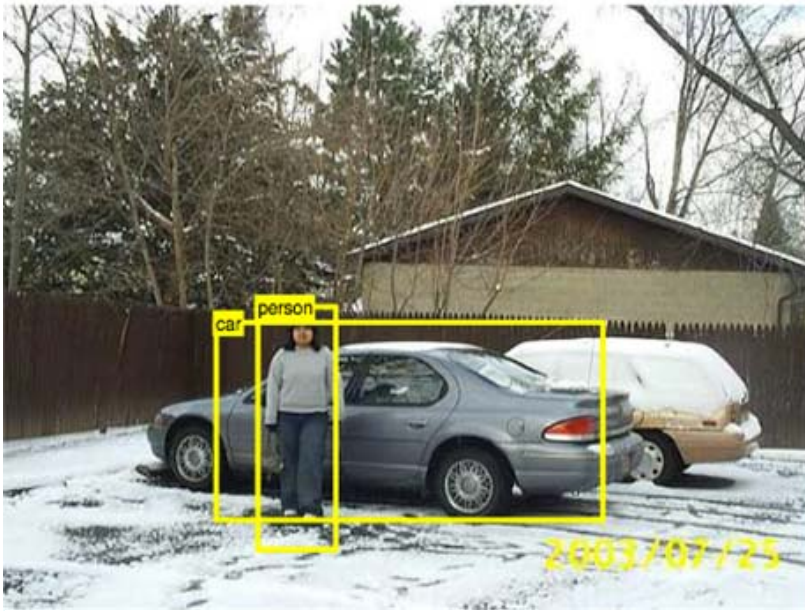
Handles change of aspect ratio

SVMs overview

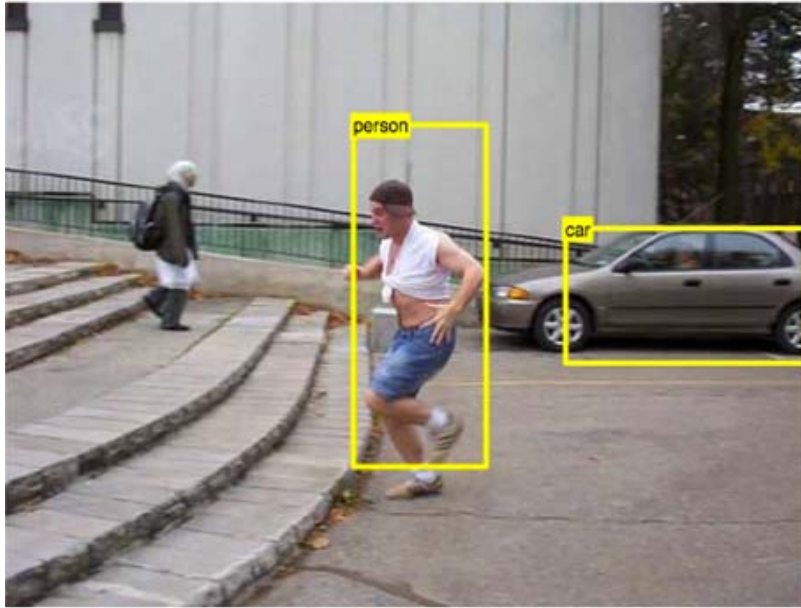
- **First stage**
 - linear SVM
 - (or jumping window)
 - time: #windows
- **Second stage**
 - quasi-linear SVM
 - χ^2 kernel
 - time: #windows \times #dimensions
- **Third stage**
 - non-linear SVM
 - χ^2 -RBF kernel
 - time:
#windows \times #dimensions \times #SVs



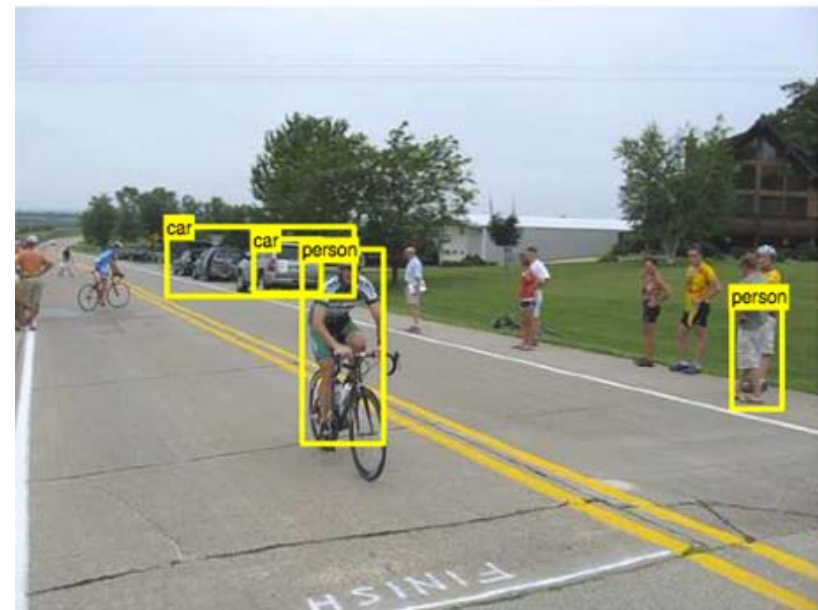
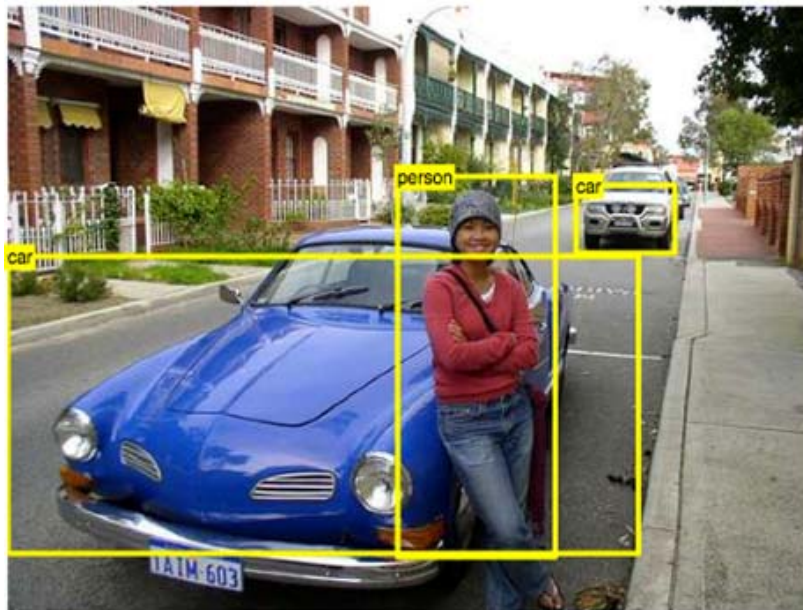
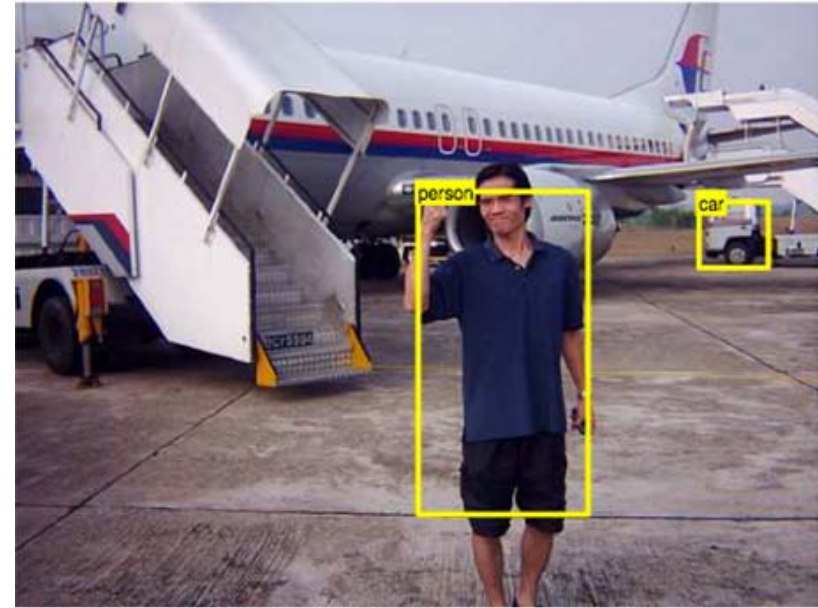
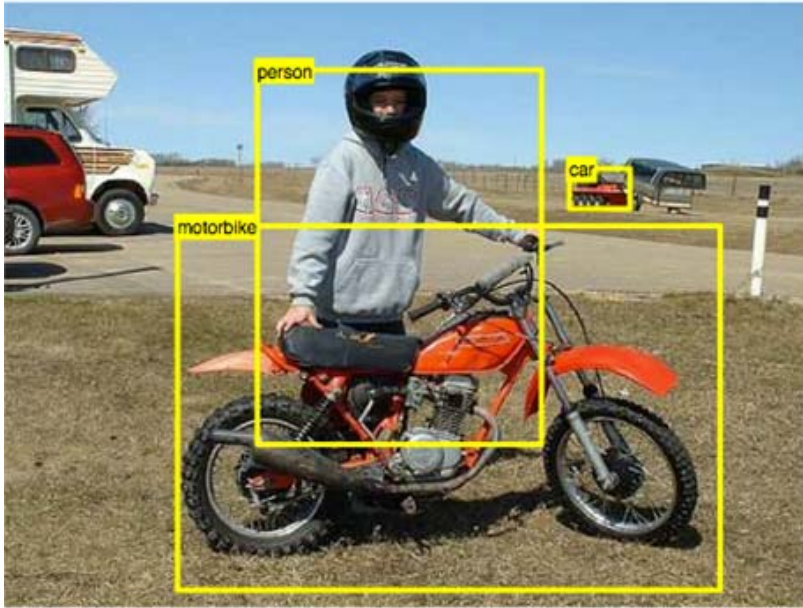
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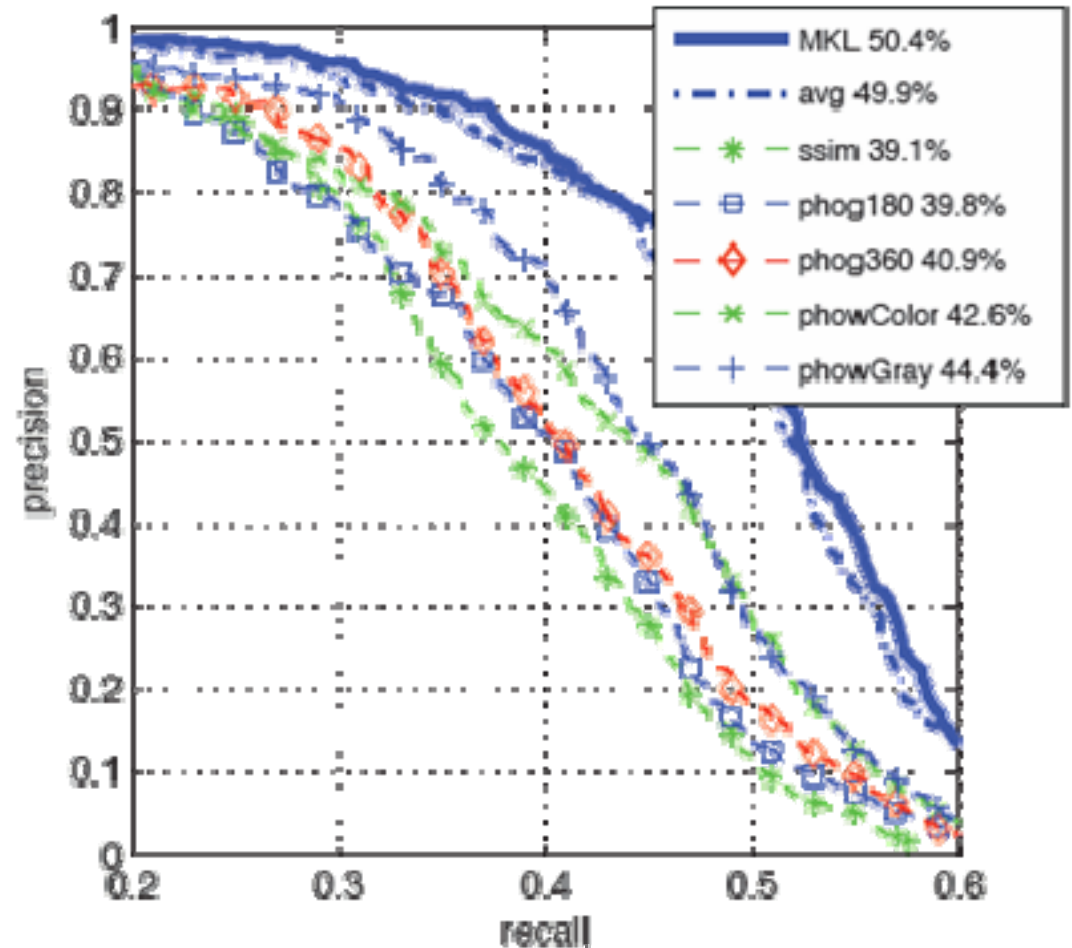


Results



Single Kernel vs. Multiple Kernels

- **Multiple Kernels** gives substantial boost
- Multiple Kernel **Learning**:
 - small improvement over averaging
 - sparse feature selection

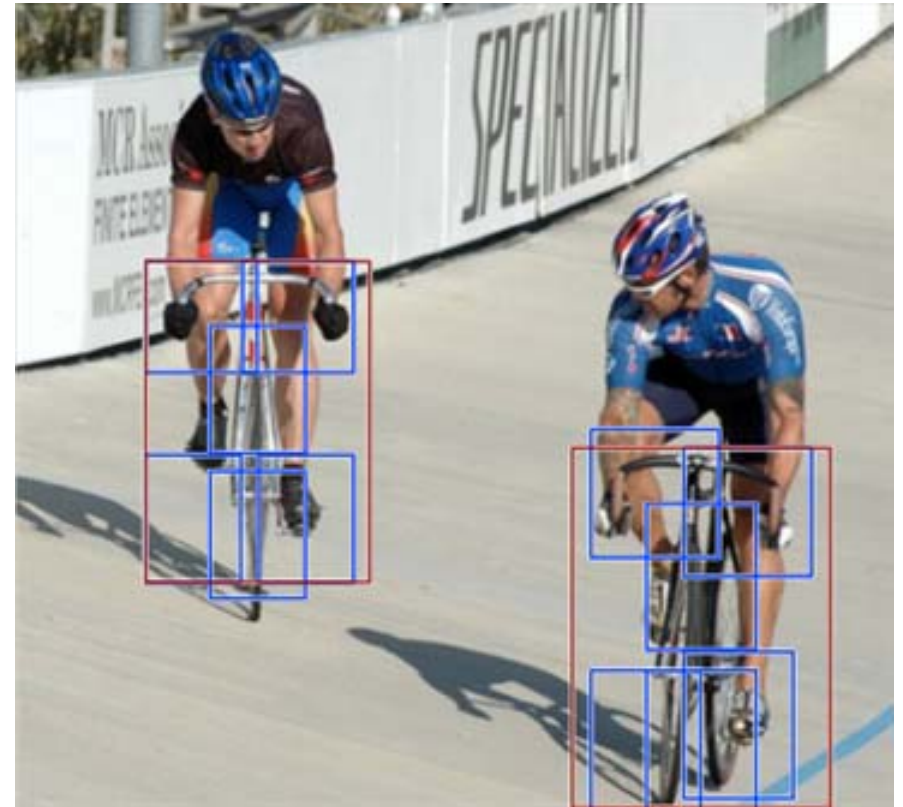
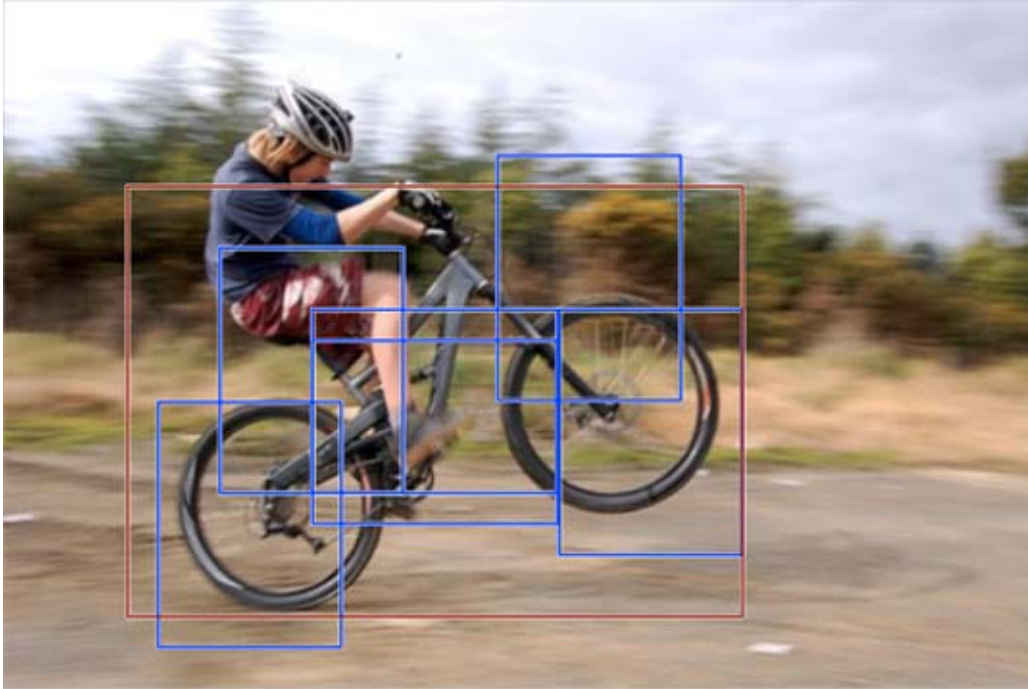


Object Detection with Discriminatively Trained Part Based Models

Pedro F. Felzenszwalb, David Mcallester,
Deva Ramanan, Ross Girshick

PAMI 2010

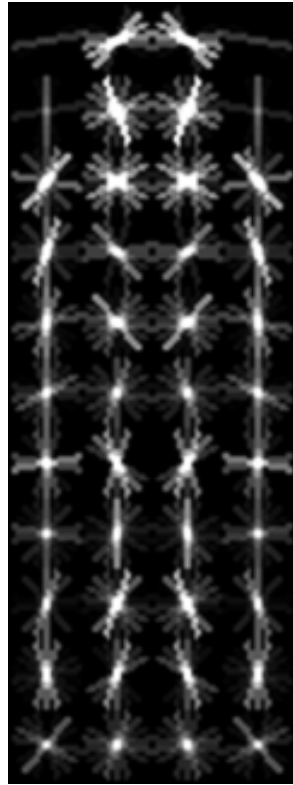
Approach



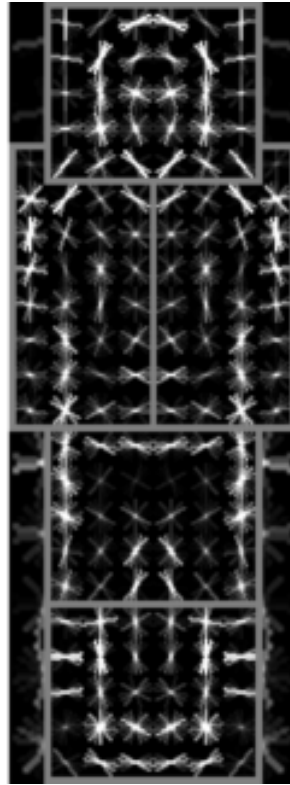
- Mixture of deformable part-based models
 - One component per “aspect” e.g. front/side view
- Each component has global template + deformable parts
- Discriminative training from bounding boxes alone

Example Model

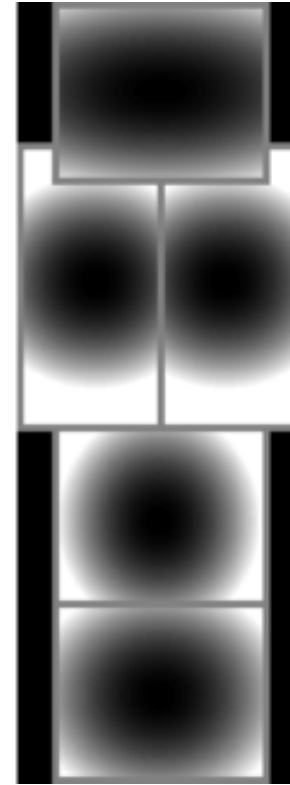
- One component of person model



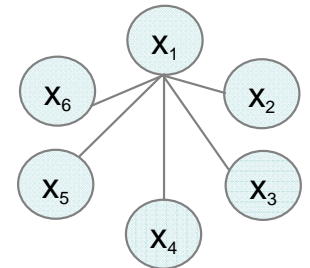
root filters
coarse resolution



part filters
finer resolution

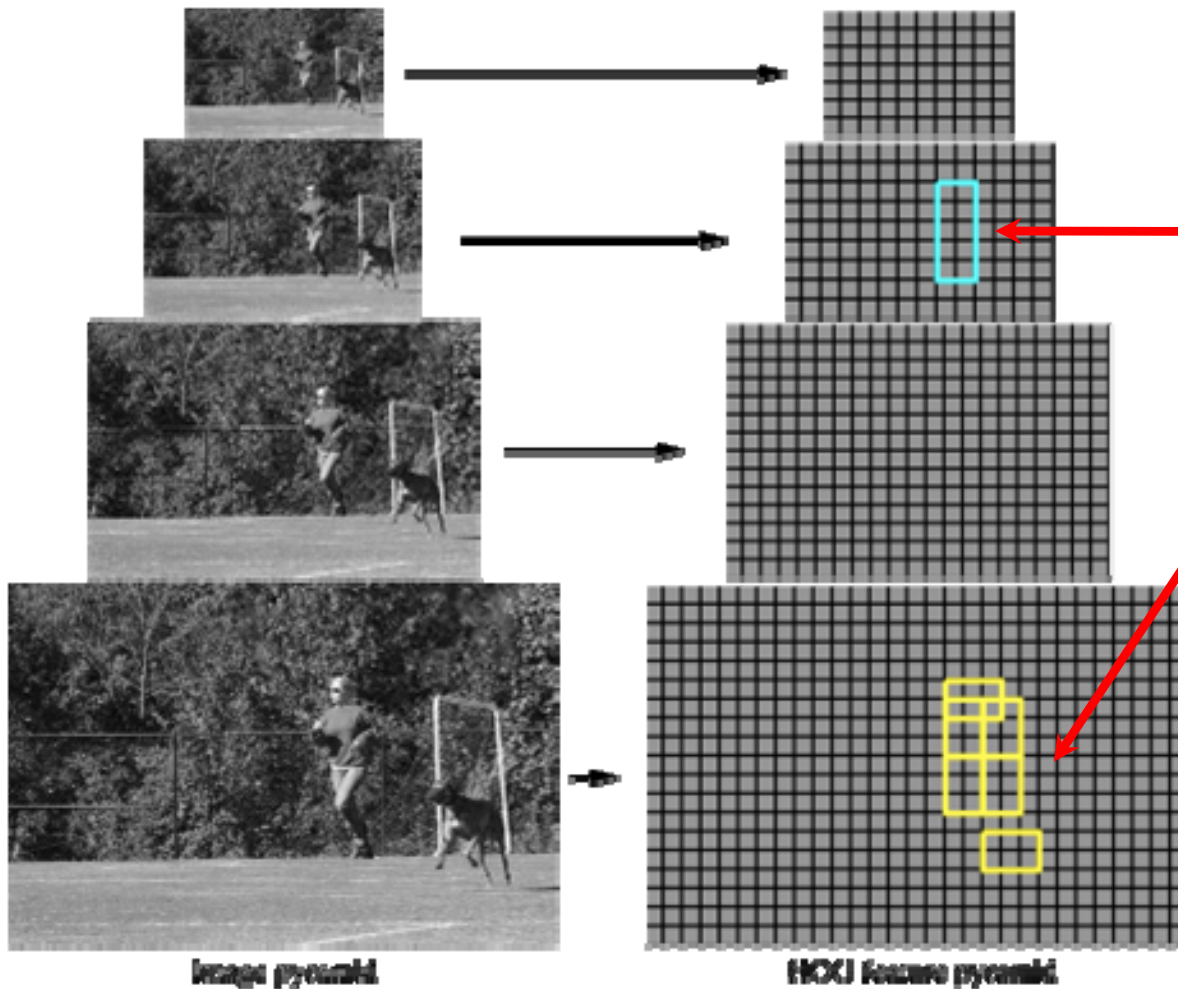
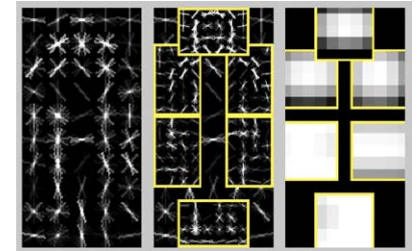


deformation
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Object Hypothesis

- Position of root + each part
- Each part: HOG filter (at higher resolution)



$$z = (p_0, \dots, p_n)$$

p_0 : location of root

p_1, \dots, p_n : location of parts

Score is sum of filter scores minus deformation costs

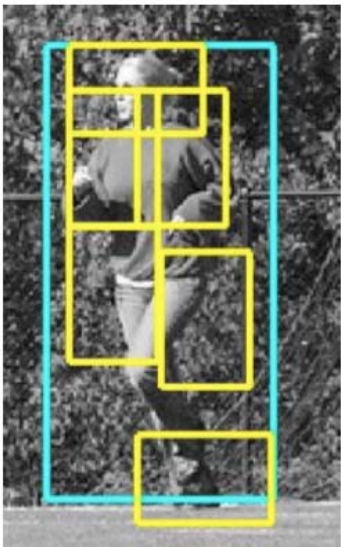
Score of a Hypothesis

Appearance term

Spatial prior

$$\text{score}(p_0, \dots, p_n) = \sum_{i=0}^n F_i \cdot \phi(H, p_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n d_i \cdot (dx_i^2, dy_i^2)$$

↑ filters
↑ displacements
deformation parameters



$$\text{score}(z) = \beta \cdot \Psi(H, z)$$

concatenation of filters
and deformation
parameters

concatenation of
HOG features and
part displacement
features

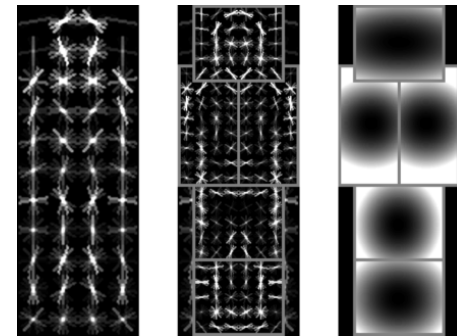
- Linear classifier applied to feature subset defined by hypothesis

Training

- Training data = images + bounding boxes
- Need to learn: model structure, filters, deformation costs



Training



Latent SVM (MI-SVM)

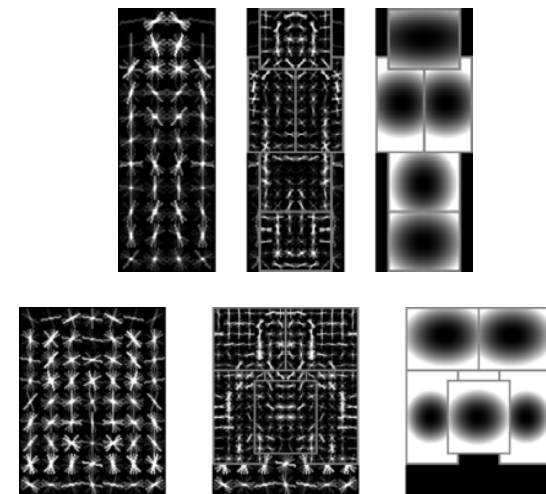
Classifiers that score an example x using

$$f_{\beta}(x) = \max_{z \in Z(x)} \beta \cdot \Phi(x, z)$$

β are model parameters

z are latent values

- Which component?
- Where are the parts?



Training data $D = (\langle \mathbf{x}_1, y_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle \mathbf{x}_n, y_n \rangle)$ $y_i \in \{-1, 1\}$

We would like to find β such that: $y_i f_{\beta}(\mathbf{x}_i) > 0$

Minimize

$$L_D(\beta) = \frac{1}{2} \|\beta\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^n \max(0, 1 - y_i f_{\beta}(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

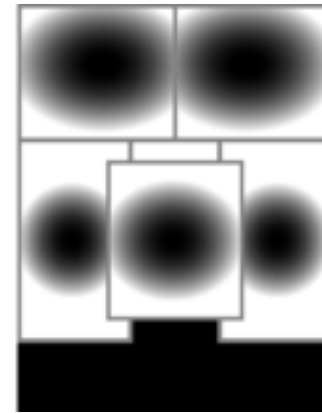
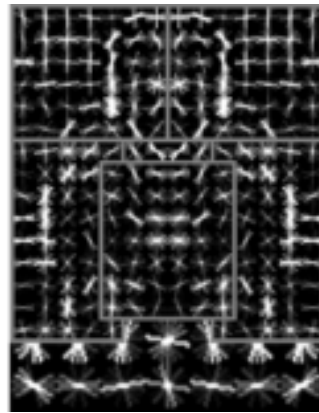
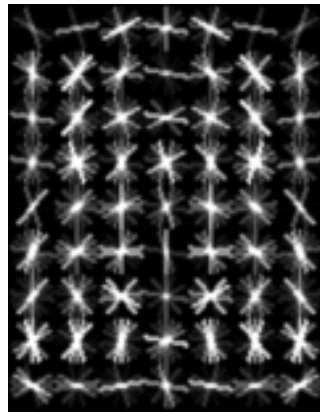
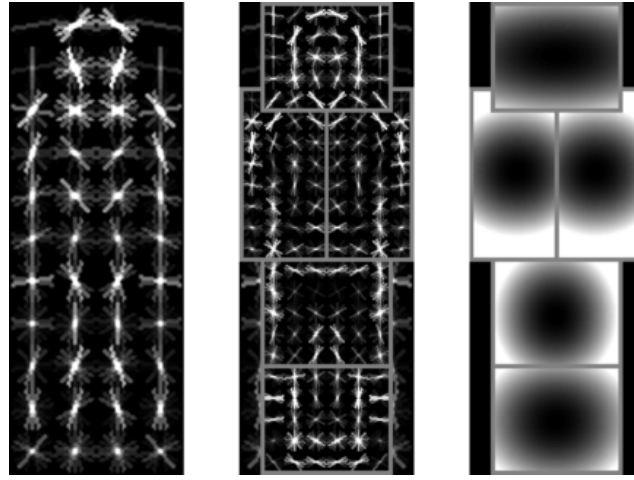
SVM objective

Latent SVM Training

$$L_D(\beta) = \frac{1}{2} \|\beta\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^n \max(0, 1 - y_i f_{\beta}(x_i))$$

- Convex if we fix z for positive examples
 - Optimization:
 - Initialize β and iterate:
 - Pick best z for each positive example
 - Optimize β with z fixed
 - Local minimum: needs good initialization
 - Parts initialized heuristically from root
- } Alternation strategy

Person Model



root filters
coarse resolution

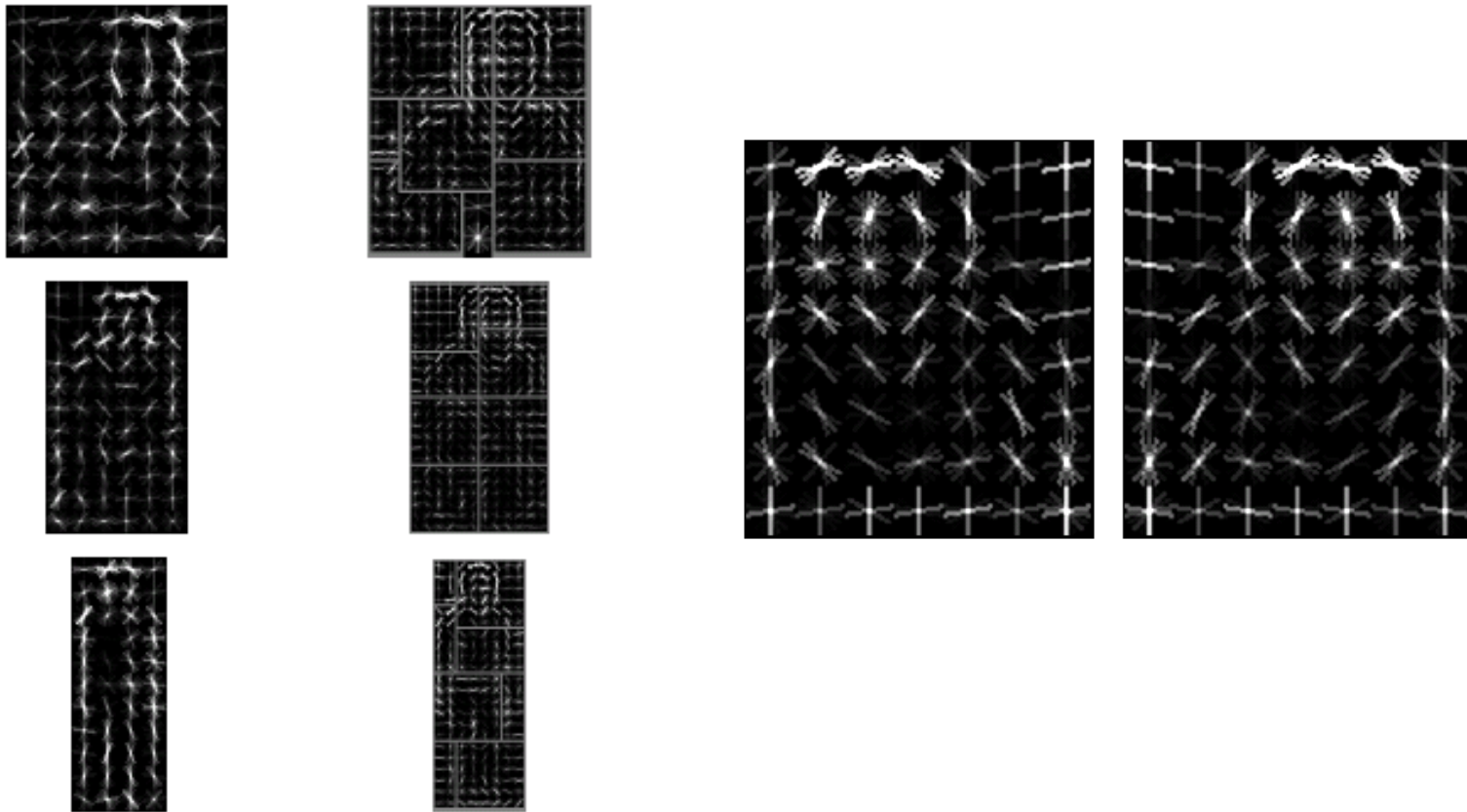
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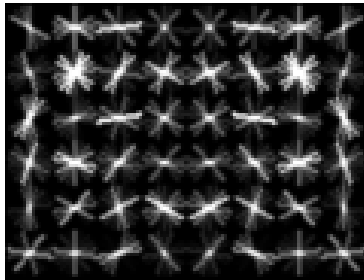
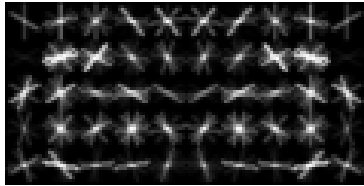
Handles partial occlusion/truncation

Person model with 3 left-right components

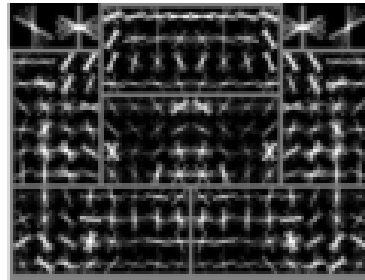
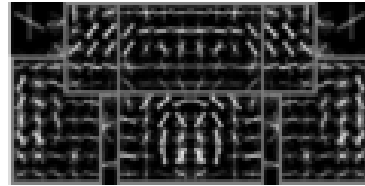
- Mixture model using max over multiple components with left-right pairs



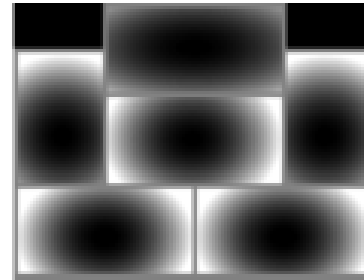
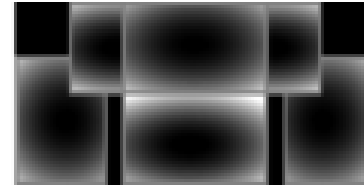
Car Model



root filters
coarse resolution



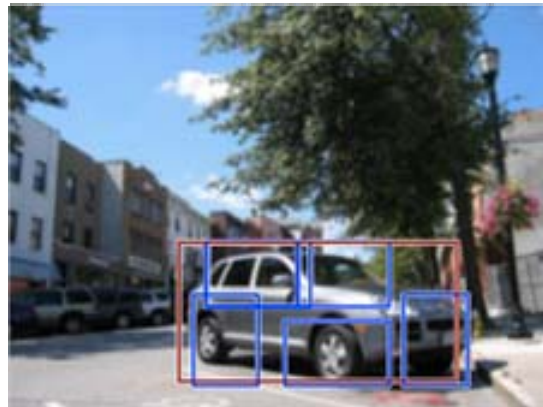
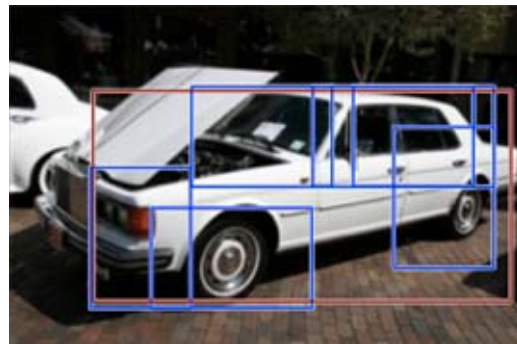
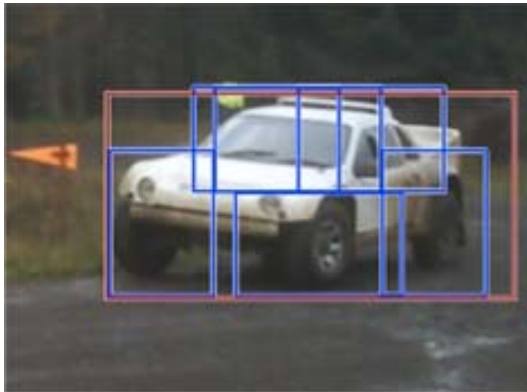
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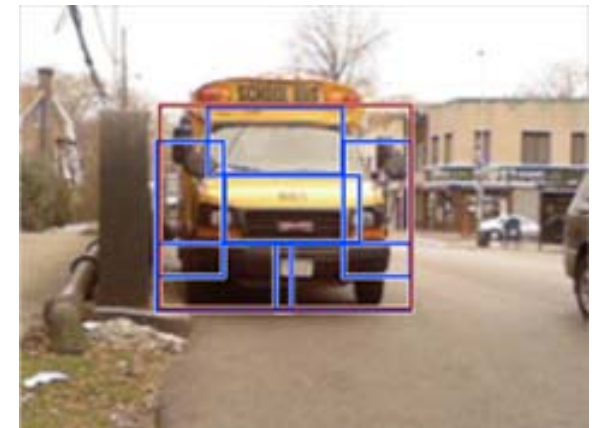
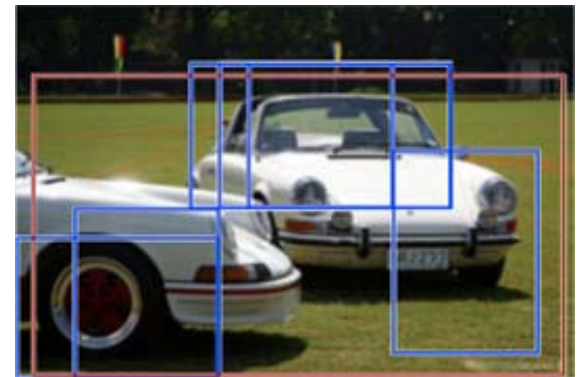
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Car Detections

high scoring true positives

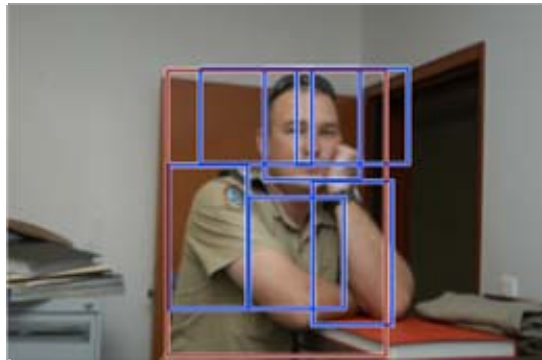
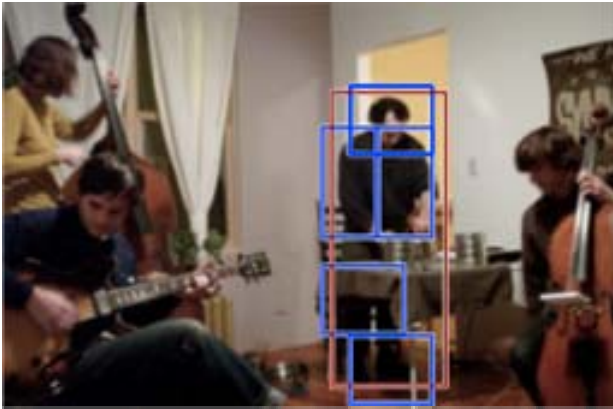


high scoring false positives

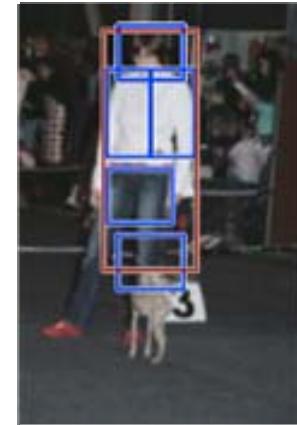


Person Detections

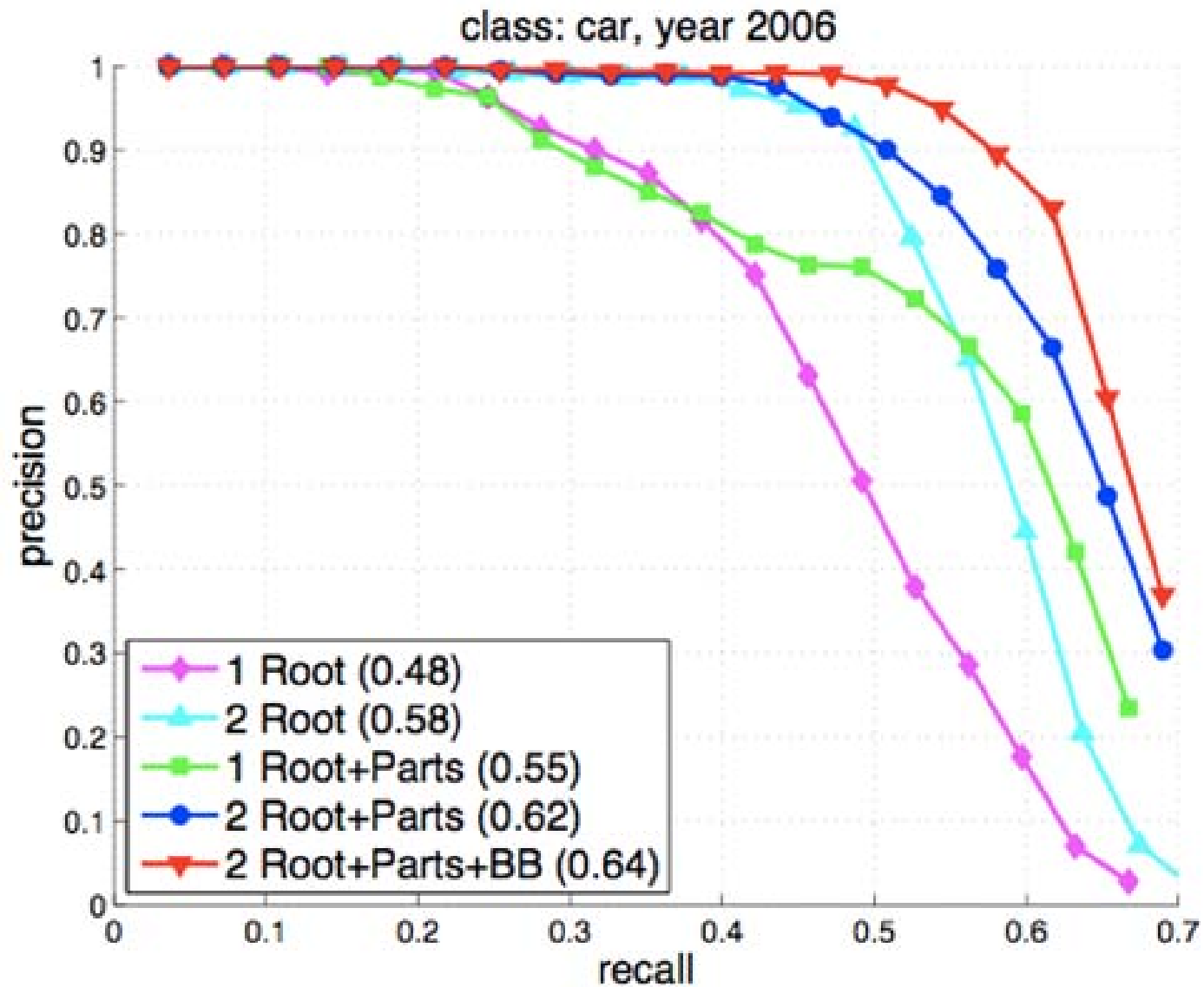
high scoring true positives



high scoring false positives
(not enough overlap)

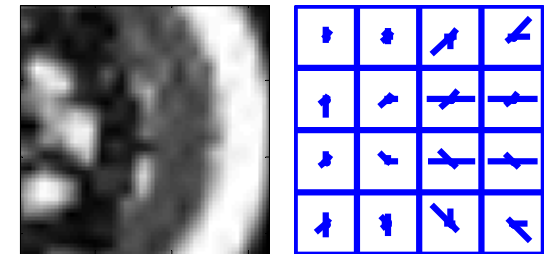
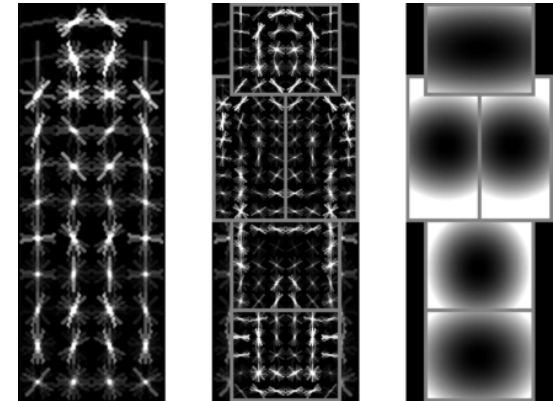
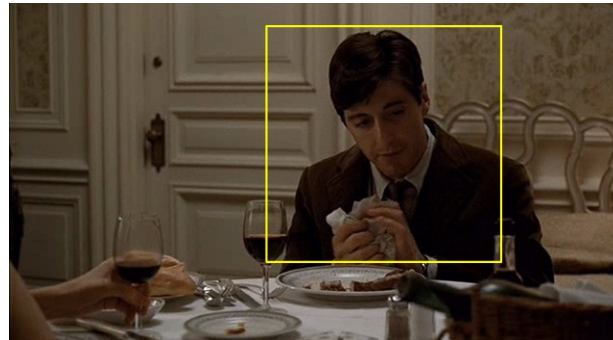
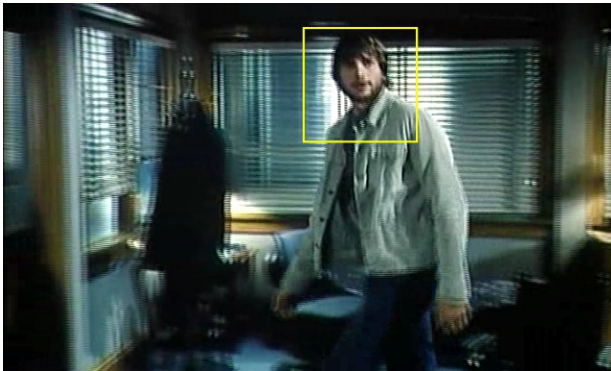


Comparison of Models



Summary

- Multiple features and multiple kernels boost performance
- Discriminative learning of model with latent variables for single feature (HOG):
 - Latent variables can learn best alignment in the ROI training annotation
 - Parts can be thought of as local SIFT vectors
 - Some similarities to Implicit Shape Model/Constellation models but with discriminative/careful training throughout



NB: Code available for latent model !

Outline

1. Sliding window detectors
2. Features and adding spatial information
3. HOG + linear SVM classifier
4. Two state of the art algorithms and PASCAL VOC
5. The future and challenges

Current Research Challenges

- Context
 - from scene properties: GIST, BoW, stuff
 - from other objects, e.g. Felzenszwalb et al, PAMI 10
 - from geometry of scene, e.g. Hoiem et al CVPR 06
- Occlusion/truncation
 - Winn & Shotton, Layout Consistent Random Field, CVPR 06
 - Vedaldi & Zisserman, NIPS 09
 - Yang et al, Layered Object Detection, CVPR 10
- 3D
- Scaling up – thousands of classes
 - Torralba et al, Feature sharing
 - ImageNet
- Weak and noisy supervision

