CS 558: Computer Vision 11th Set of Notes

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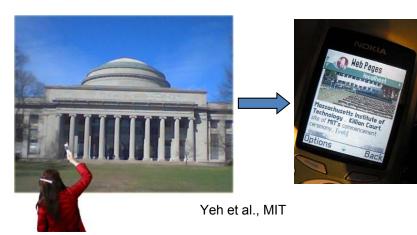
Overview

- Object detection and recognition
 - Supervised Classification
 - Boosting and face detection
 - Pedestrian detection (HOG)
 - Part-based models
 - Based on slides by K. Grauman, D. Hoiem and S. Lazebnik

Why recognition?

- Recognition a fundamental part of perception
 - e.g., robots, autonomous agents
- Organize and give access to visual content
 - Connect to information
 - Detect trends and themes

Posing visual queries



Digital Field Guides Eliminate the Guesswork



Belhumeur et al.





Kooaba, Bay & Quack et al.

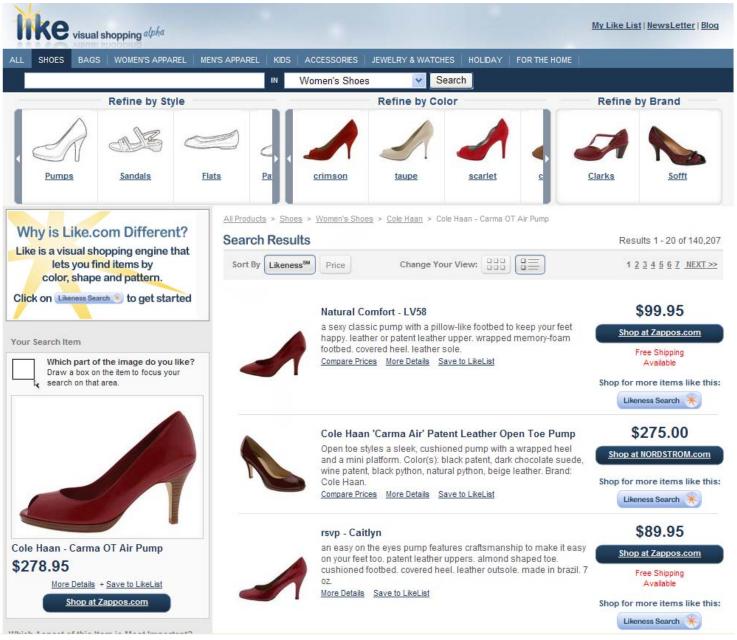
Outdated, but.....

Autonomous agents able to detect objects



http://www.darpa.mil/grandchallenge/gallery.asp

Finding visually similar objects



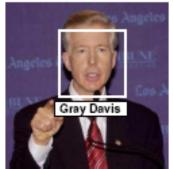
Auto-annotation



President George W. Bush makes a statement in the Rose Garden while Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld looks on, July 23, 2003. Rumsfeld said the United States would release graphic photographs of the dead sons of Saddam Hussein to prove they were killed by American troops. Photo by Larry Downing/Reuters



British director Sam Mendes and his partner actress Kate Winslet arrive at the London premiere of 'The Road to Perdition', September 18, 2002. The films stars Tom Hanks as a Chicago hit man who has a separate family life and co-stars Paul Newman and Jude Law. REUTERS/Dan Chung



Incumbent California Gov. Gray Davis (news - web sites) leads Republican challenger Bill Simon by 10 percentage points - although 17 percent of voters are still undecided, according to a poll released October 22, 2002 by the Public Policy Institute of California. Davis is shown speaking to reporters after his debate with Simon in Los Angeles, on Oct. 7. (Jim Ruymen/Reuters)

Challenges: robustness



Illumination





Object pose



Clutter



Occlusions



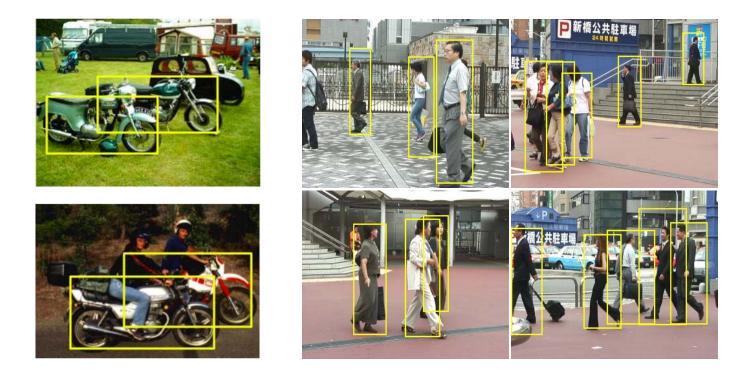
Intra-class appearance



Viewpoint

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Challenges: robustness



Realistic scenes are crowded, cluttered, have overlapping objects

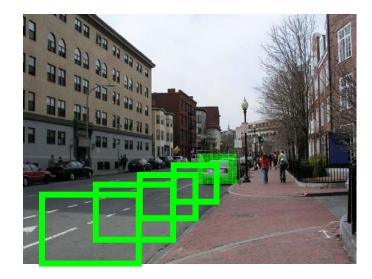
Challenges: importance of context





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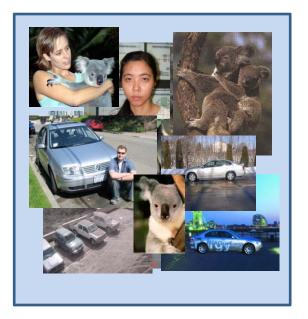
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Challenges: complexity

- Thousands to millions of pixels in an image
- 3,000-30,000 human recognizable object categories
- 30+ degrees of freedom in the pose of articulated objects (humans)
- Billions of images indexed by Google Image Search
- About half of the cerebral cortex in primates is devoted to processing visual information [Felleman and van Essen 1991]

Challenges: learning with minimal supervision

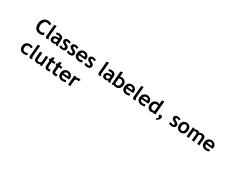


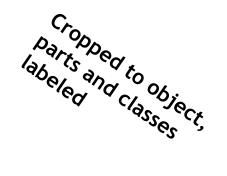






Unlabeled, Multiple objects

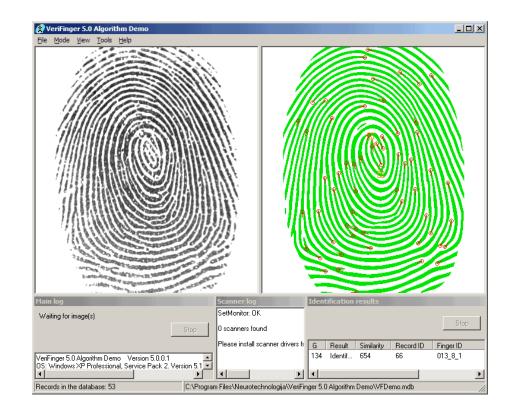




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- Face detection





[Face priority AE] When a bright part of the face is too bright

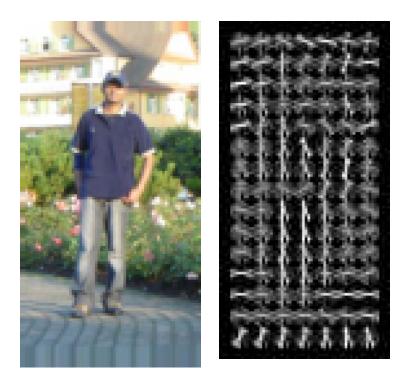
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- Recognition of flat textured objects (CD covers, book covers, etc.)

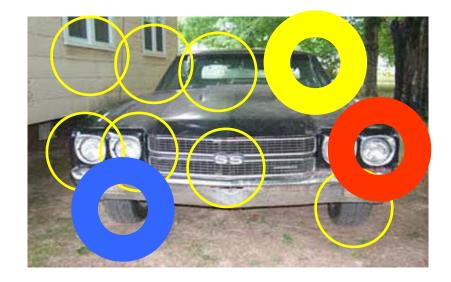


Generic category recognition: basic framework

- Build/train object model
 - Choose a representation
 - Learn or fit parameters of model / classifier
- Generate candidates in new image
- Score the candidates

Generic category recognition: representation choice





Window-based

Part-based

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• Given a collection of *labeled* examples, come up with a function that will predict the labels of new examples.



Training examples

Novel input

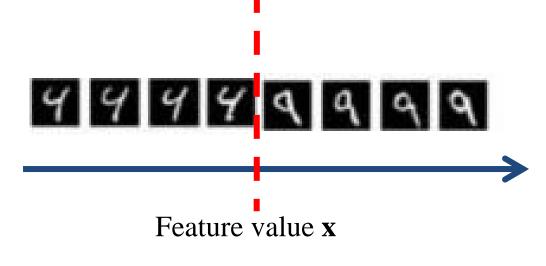
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- How good is some function we come up with to do the classification?
- Depends on
 - Mistakes made
 - Cost associated with the mistakes

- Given a collection of *labeled* examples, come up with a function that will predict the labels of new examples.
- Consider the two-class (binary) decision problem
 - L(4 \rightarrow 9): Loss of classifying a 4 as a 9
 - L(9 \rightarrow 4): Loss of classifying a 9 as a 4
- **Risk** of a classifier *s* is expected loss:

 $R(s) = \Pr(4 \to 9 \mid \text{using } s)L(4 \to 9) + \Pr(9 \to 4 \mid \text{using } s)L(9 \to 4)$

We want to choose a classifier so as to minimize this total risk

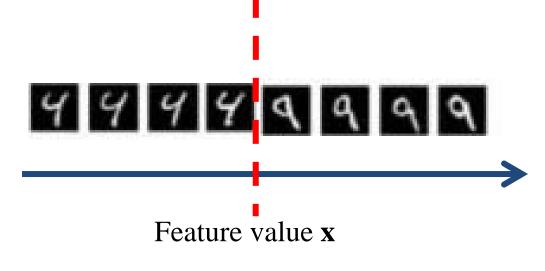


Optimal classifier will minimize total risk.

At decision boundary, either choice of label yields same expected loss.

If we choose class "four" at boundary, expected loss is: = $P(\text{class is } 9 | \mathbf{x}) L(9 \rightarrow 4) + P(\text{class is } 4 | \mathbf{x})L(4 \rightarrow 4)$

If we choose class "nine" at boundary, expected loss is: = $P(\text{class is } 4 | \mathbf{x}) L(4 \rightarrow 9)$



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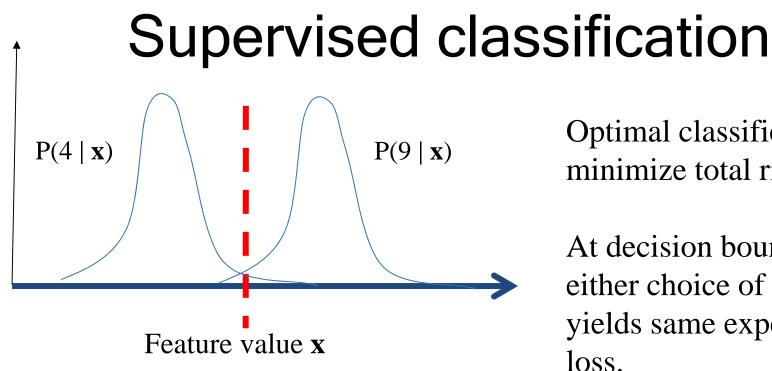
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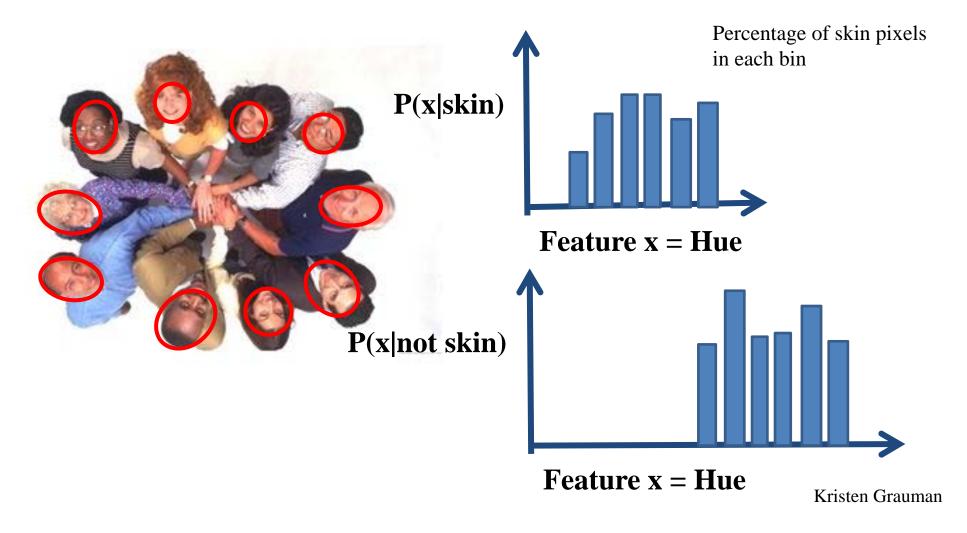
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How to evaluate these probabilities?

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Example: learning skin colors

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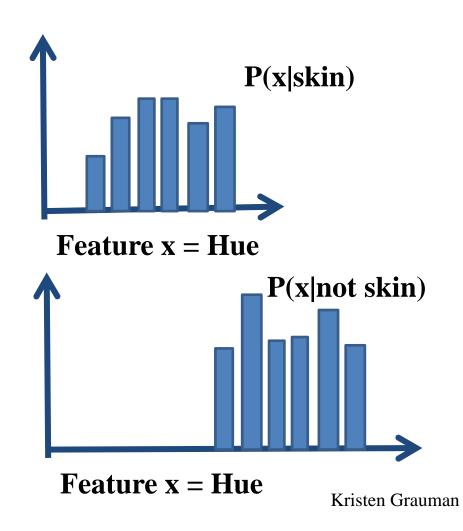
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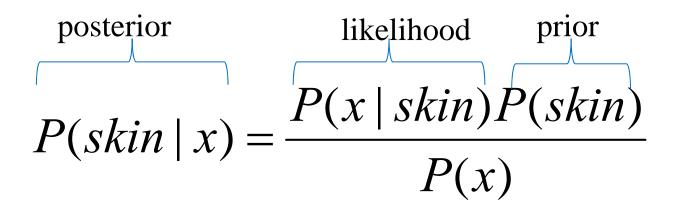


Now we get a new image, and want to label each pixel as skin or non-skin.

What's the probability we care about to do skin detection?



Bayes rule



$P(skin | x) \alpha P(x | skin) P(skin)$

Where does the prior come from?

Why use a prior?

Example: classifying skin pixels

Now for every pixel in a new image, we can estimate probability that it is generated by skin.

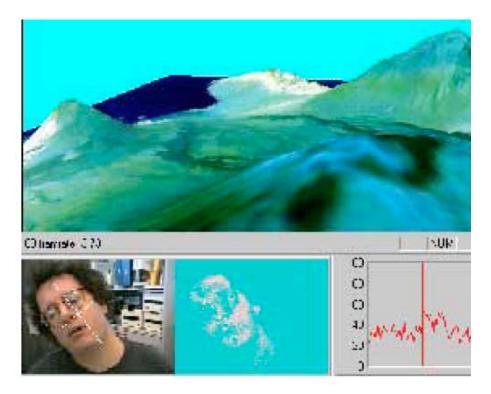


Brighter pixels → higher probability of being skin

Classify pixels based on these probabilities

- if $p(skin|\boldsymbol{x}) > \theta$, classify as skin
- if $p(skin|\boldsymbol{x}) < \theta$, classify as not skin

Example: classifying skin pixels



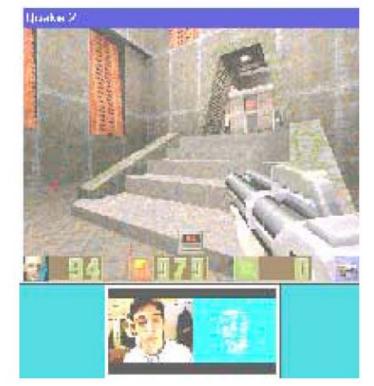


Figure 13: CAMSHIFT-based face tracker used to over a 3D graphic's model of Hawaii

Figure 12: CAMSHIFT-based face tracker used to play Quake 2 hands free by inserting control variables into the mouse queue

Using skin color-based face detection and pose estimation as a video-based interface

Gary Bradski, 1998

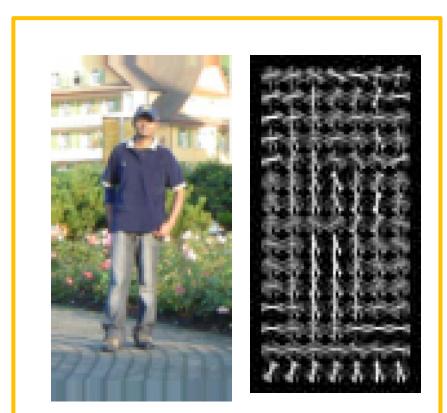
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- Want to minimize the expected misclassification
- Two general strategies
 - Use the training data to build representative probability model; separately model class-conditional densities and priors (*generative*)
 - Directly construct a good decision boundary, model the posterior (*discriminative*)

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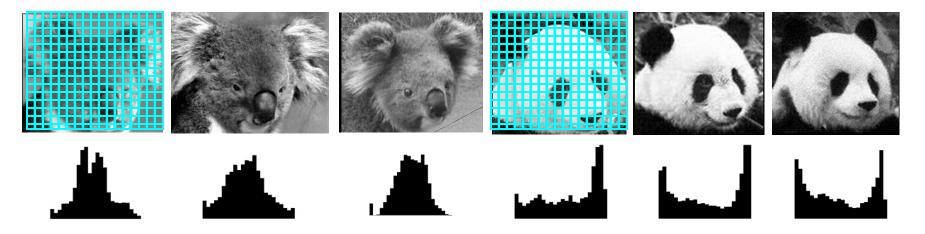
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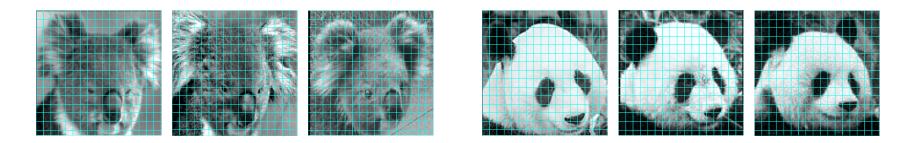
Part-based



Simple holistic descriptions of image content

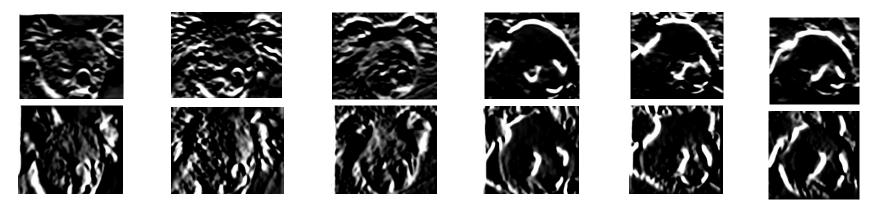
- » grayscale / color histogram
- vector of pixel intensities

• Pixel-based representations sensitive to small shifts

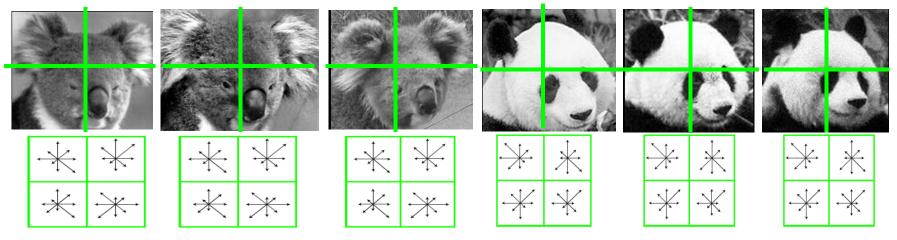


 Color or grayscale-based appearance description can be sensitive to illumination and intra-class appearance variation

Consider edges, contours, and (oriented) intensity gradients



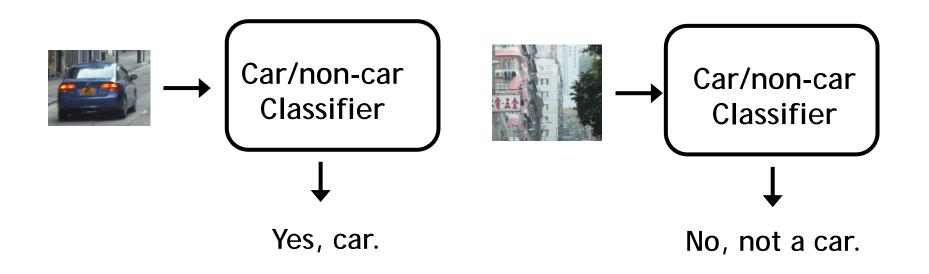
 Consider edges, contours, and (oriented) intensity gradients



- Summarize local distribution of gradients with histogram
 - Locally orderless: offers invariance to small shifts and rotations
 - Contrast-normalization: try to correct for variable illumination

Window-based models Building an object model

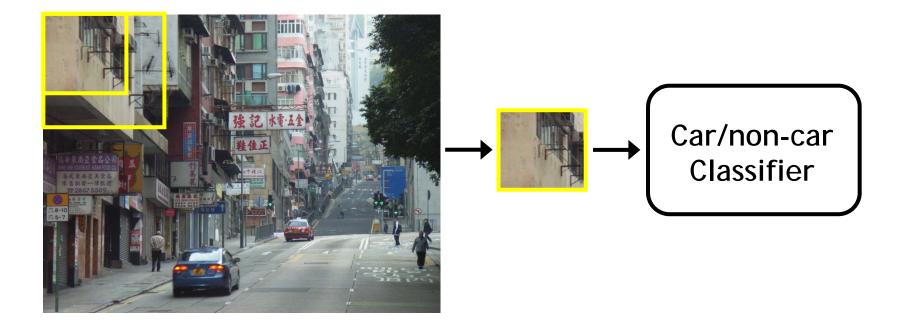
Given the representation, train a binary classifier



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Window-based models Generating and scoring candidates



Window-based object detection: recap

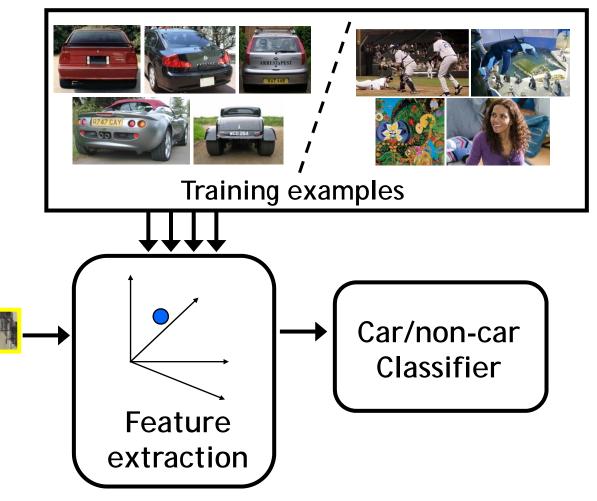
Training:

- 1. Obtain training data
- 2. Define features
- 3. Define classifier

Given new image:

- 1. Slide window
- 2. Score by classifier

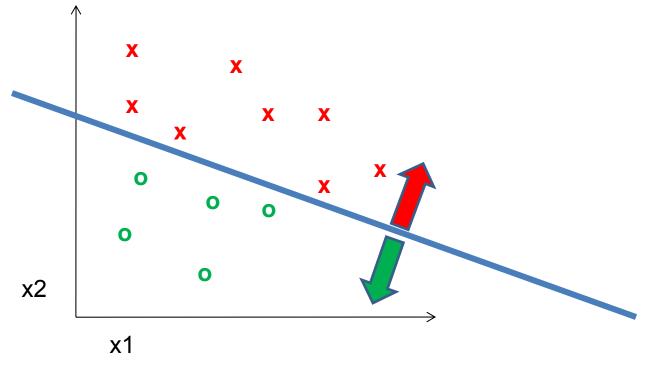




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Classifier

A classifier maps from the feature space to a label



Different types of classification

- Exemplar-based: transfer category labels from examples with most similar features
 - What similarity function? What parameters?
- Linear classifier: confidence in positive label is a weighted sum of features
 - What are the weights?
- Non-linear classifier: predictions based on more complex function of features
 - What form does the classifier take? Parameters?
- Generative classifier: assign to the label that best explains the features (makes features most likely)

– What is the probability function and its parameters?

Note: You can always fully design the classifier by hand, but usually this is too difficult. Typical solution: learn from training examples.

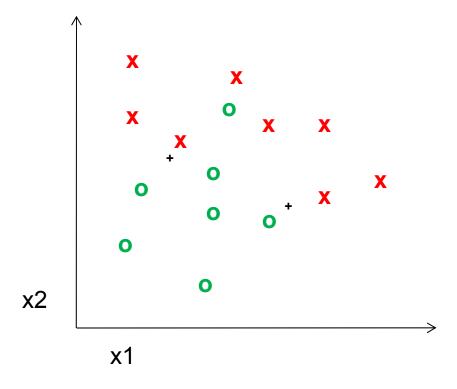
One way to think about it...

- Training labels dictate that two examples are the same or different, in some sense
- Features and distance measures define visual similarity
- Goal of training is to learn feature weights or distance measures so that visual similarity predicts label similarity
- We want the simplest function that is confidently correct

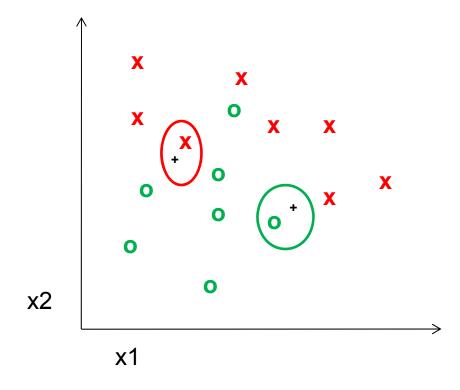
Exemplar-based Models

 Transfer the label(s) of the most similar training examples

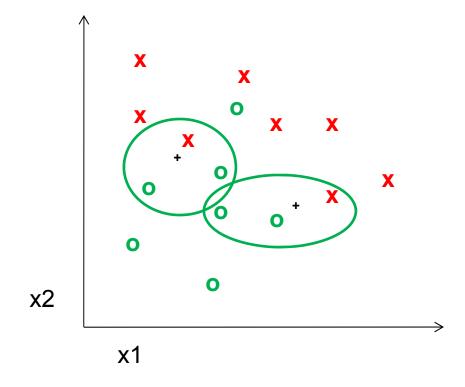
K-nearest neighbor classifier



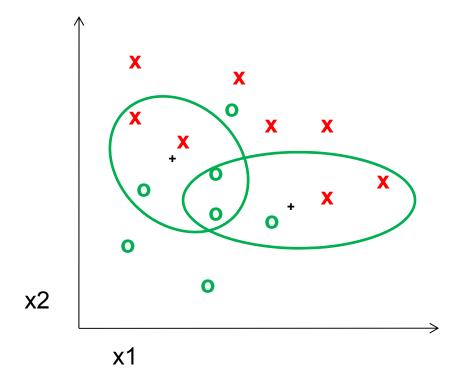
1-nearest neighbor



3-nearest neighbor



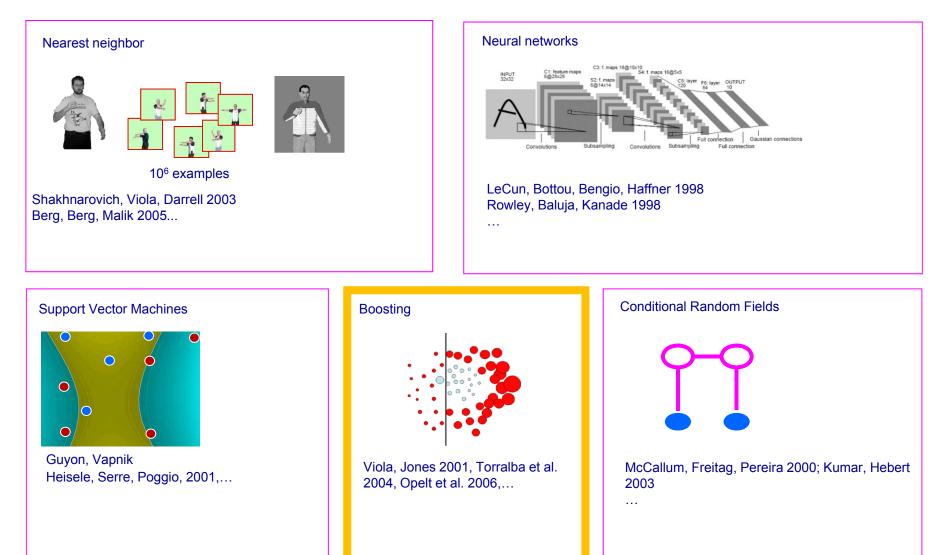
5-nearest neighbor



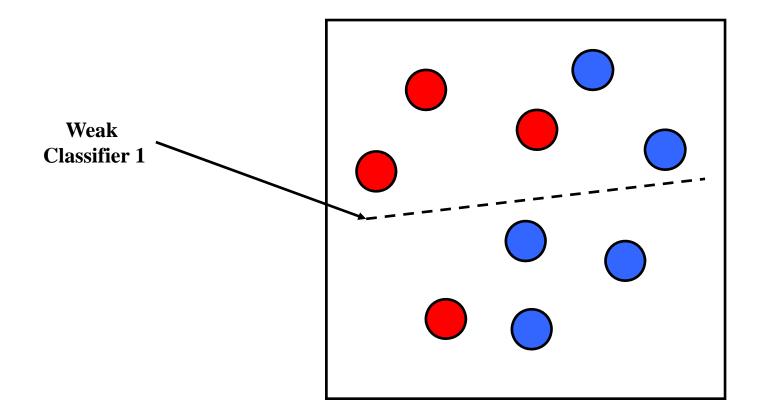
Using K-NN

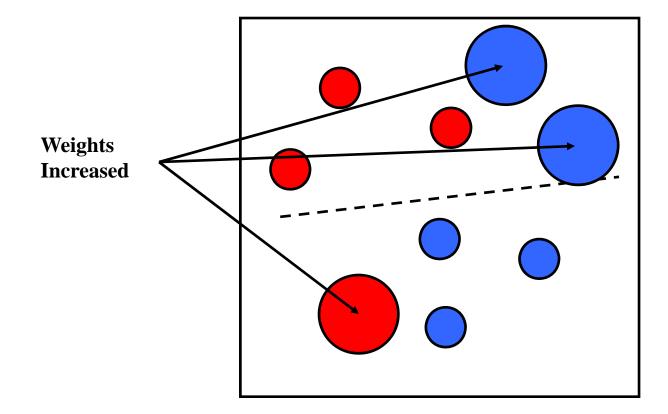
- Simple, a good classifier to try first
- No training time (unless you want to learn a distance function)
- With infinite examples, 1-NN provably has error that is at most twice Bayes optimal error

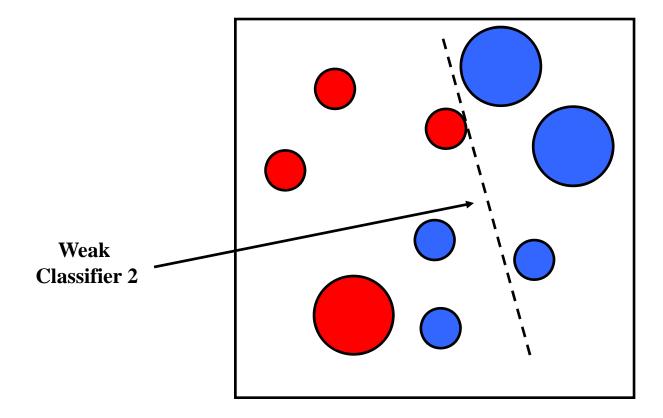
Discriminative classifier construction

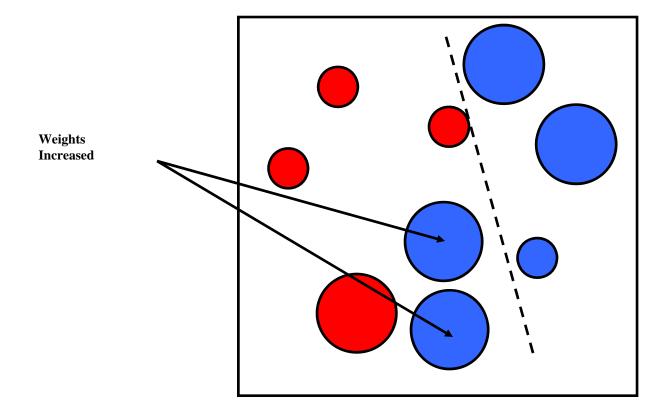


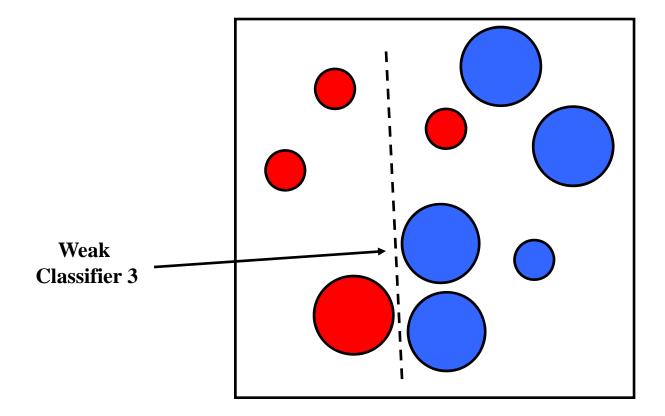
Boosting intuition



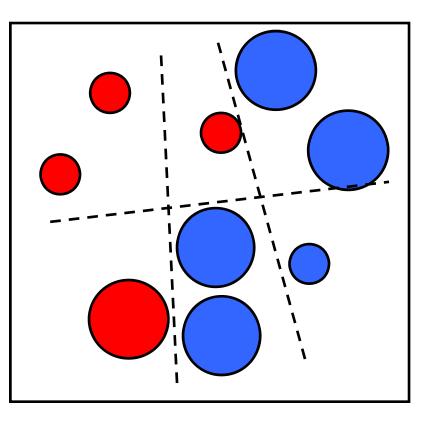








Final classifier is a combination of weak classifiers



Boosting: training

- Initially, weight each training example equally
- In each boosting round:
 - Find the weak learner that achieves the lowest *weighted* training error
 - Raise weights of training examples misclassified by current weak learner
- Compute final classifier as linear combination of all weak learners (weight of each learner is directly proportional to its accuracy)
- Exact formulas for re-weighting and combining weak learners depend on the particular boosting scheme (e.g., AdaBoost)

Challenges of face detection

- Sliding window detector must evaluate tens of thousands of location/scale combinations
- Faces are rare: 0-10 per image
 - A megapixel image has $\sim 10^6$ pixels and a comparable number of candidate face locations
 - For computational efficiency, we should try to spend as little time as possible on the non-face windows
 - To avoid having a false positive in every image, our false positive rate has to be less than 10⁻⁶

The Viola/Jones Face Detector

- A seminal approach to real-time object detection
- Training is slow, but detection is very fast
- Key ideas
 - Integral images for fast feature evaluation
 - *Boosting* for feature selection
 - Attentional cascade for fast rejection of non-face windows

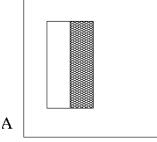
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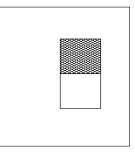
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Image Features

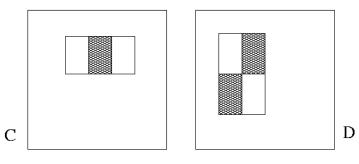
"Rectangle filters"







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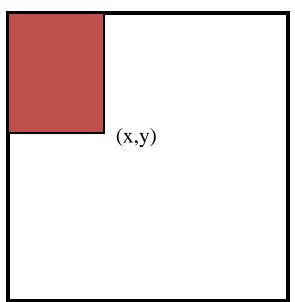


Value =

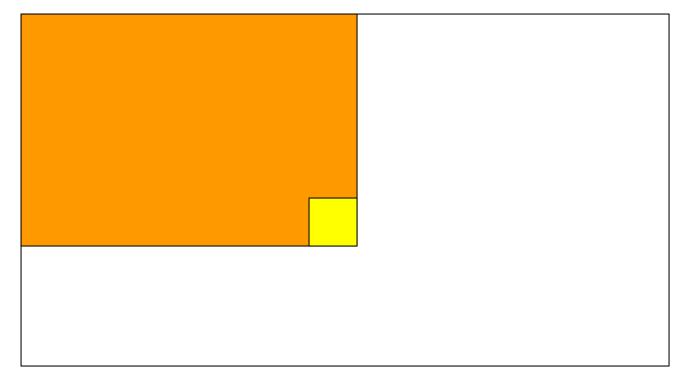
 \sum (pixels in white area) – \sum (pixels in black area)

Fast computation with integral images

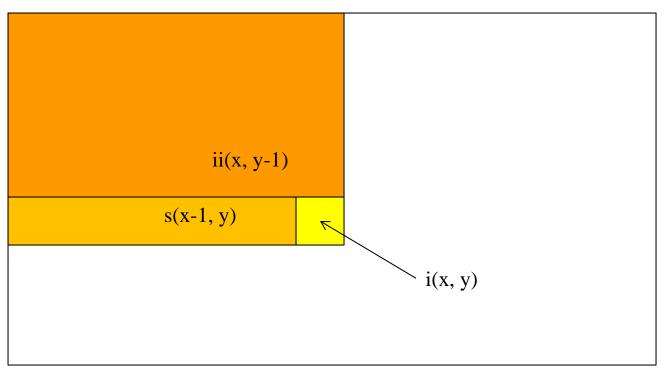
- The *integral image* computes a value at each pixel (*x*, *y*) that is the sum of the pixel values above and to the left of (*x*, *y*), inclusive
- This can quickly be computed in one pass through the image



Computing the integral image



Computing the integral image



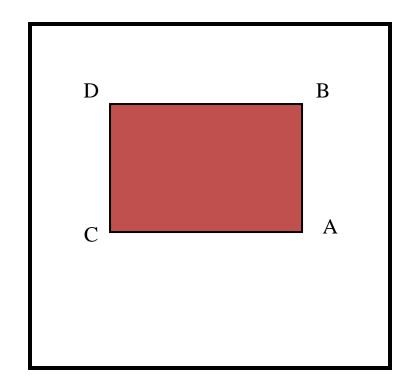
- Cumulative row sum: s(x, y) = s(x-1, y) + i(x, y)
- Integral image: ii(x, y) = ii(x, y-1) + s(x, y)

Computing sum within a rectangle

- Let A,B,C,D be the values of the integral image at the corners of a rectangle
- Then the sum of original image values within the rectangle can be computed as:

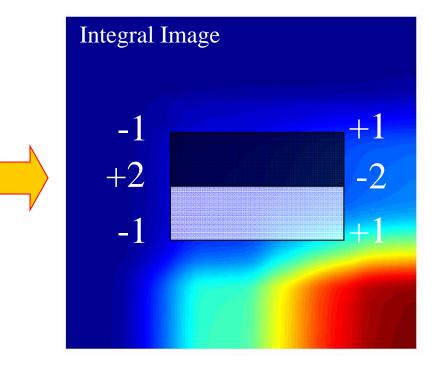
sum = A - B - C + D

 Only 3 additions are required for any size of rectangle!



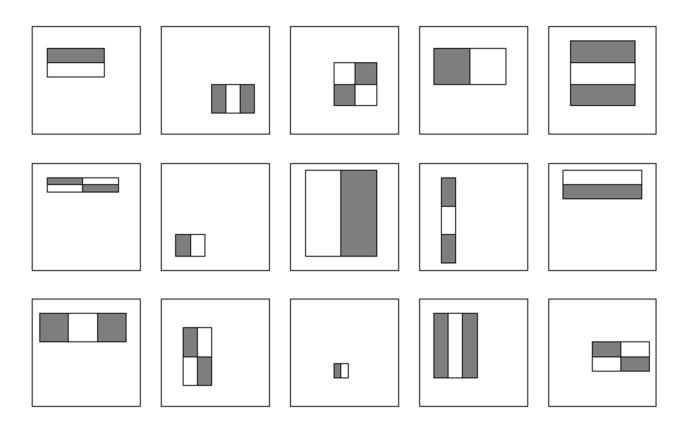
Computing a rectangle feature





Feature selection

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Feature selection

- For a 24x24 detection region, the number of possible rectangle features is ~160,000!
- At test time, it is impractical to evaluate the entire feature set
- Can we create a good classifier using just a small subset of all possible features?
- How to select such a subset?

Boosting

- *Boosting* combines *weak learners* into a more accurate *ensemble classifier*
- Weak learners based on rectangle filters:

value of rectangle feature

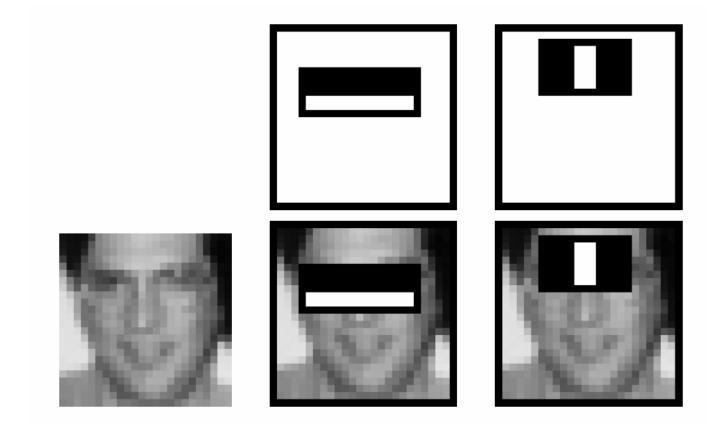
$$h_t(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } f_t(x) > \theta_t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
window

• Ensemble classification function:

$$C(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sum_{t=1}^{T} \alpha_t h_t(x) > \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \alpha_t & \text{learned} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Boosting for face detection

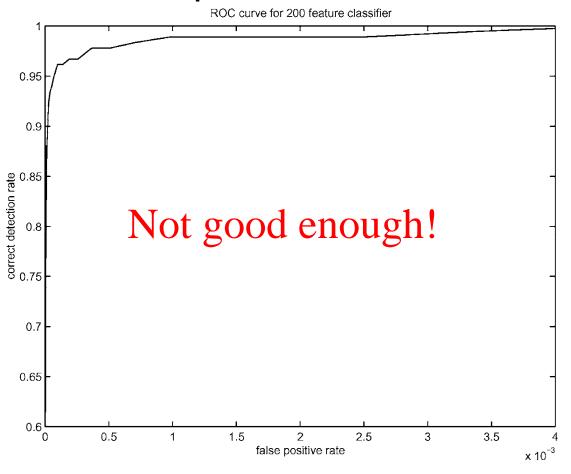
• First two features selected by boosting:



This feature combination can yield 100% detection rate and 50% false positive rate

Boosting for face detection

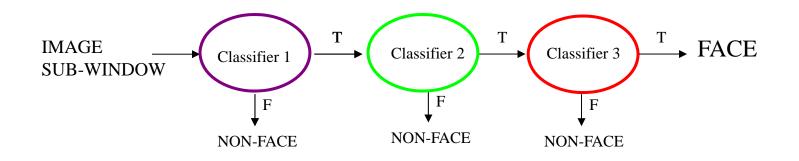
• A 200-feature classifier can yield 95% detection rate and a false positive rate of 1 in 14084



Receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve

Attentional cascade

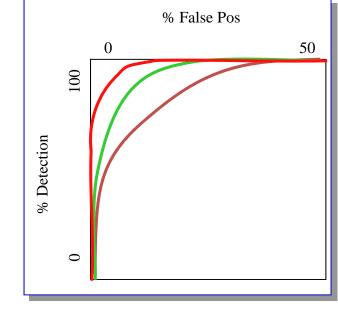
- We start with simple classifiers which reject many of the negative sub-windows while detecting almost all positive sub-windows
- Positive response from the first classifier triggers the evaluation of a second (more complex) classifier, and so on
- A negative outcome at any point leads to the immediate rejection of the sub-window

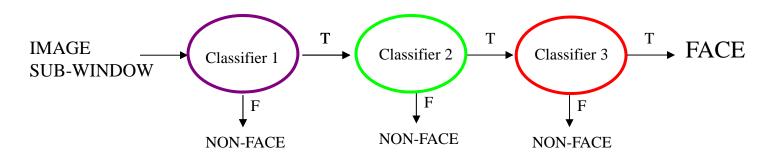


Attentional cascade

 Chain classifiers that are progressively more complex and have lower false positive rates:

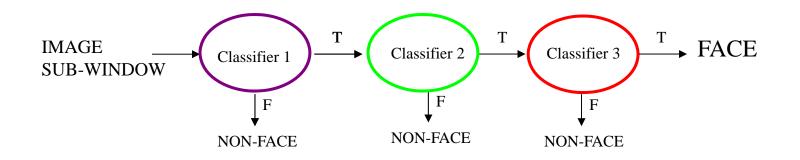
Receiver operating characteristic





Attentional cascade

- The detection rate and the false positive rate of the cascade are found by multiplying the respective rates of the individual stages
- A detection rate of 0.9 and a false positive rate on the order of 10⁻⁶ can be achieved by a 10-stage cascade if each stage has a detection rate of 0.99 (0.99¹⁰ ≈ 0.9) and a false positive rate of about 0.30 (0.3¹⁰ ≈ 6×10⁻⁶)



Training the cascade

- Set target detection and false positive rates for each stage
- Keep adding features to the current stage until its target rates have been met
 - Need to lower AdaBoost threshold to maximize detection (as opposed to minimizing total classification error)
 - Test on a *validation set*
- If the overall false positive rate is not low enough, then add another stage
- Use false positives from current stage as the negative training examples for the next stage

The implemented system

- Training Data
 - 5000 faces
 - All frontal, rescaled to 24x24 pixels
 - 300 million non-faces
 - 9500 non-face images
 - Faces are normalized
 - Scale, translation
- Many variations
 - Across individuals
 - Illumination
 - Pose

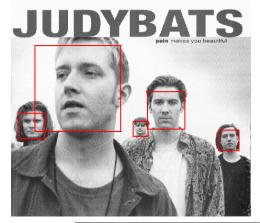


System performance

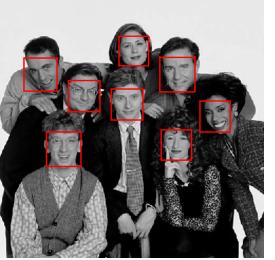
- Training time: "weeks" on 466 MHz Sun workstation
- 38 layers, total of 6061 features
- Average of 10 features evaluated per window on test set
- "On a 700 Mhz Pentium III processor, the face detector can process a 384 by 288 pixel image in about .067 seconds"
 - 15 Hz
 - 15 times faster than previous detector of comparable accuracy

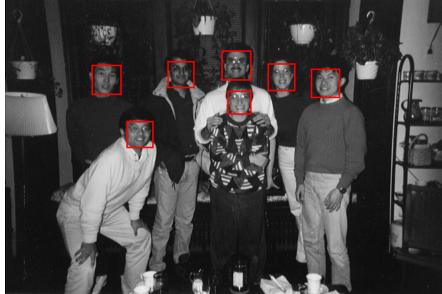
Output of Face Detector on Test Images







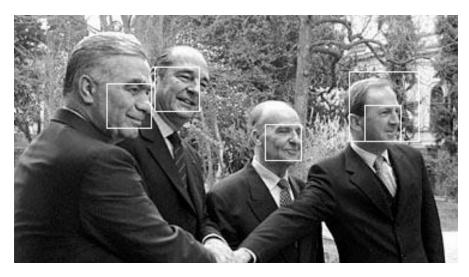




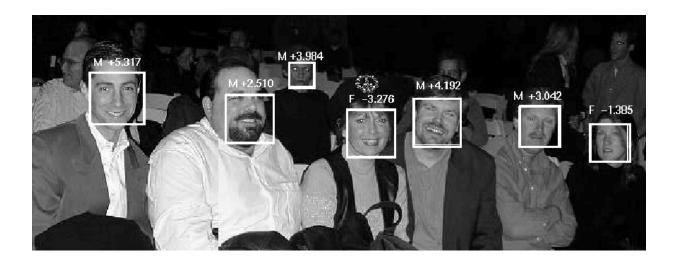
Related detection tasks



Facial Feature Localization



Profile Detection



Male vs. female

Profile Detection

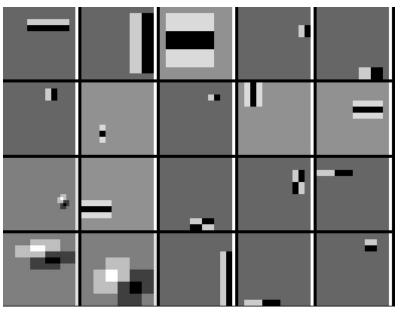






Profile Features





Summary: Viola/Jones detector

- Rectangle features
- Integral images for fast computation
- Boosting for feature selection
- Attentional cascade for fast rejection of negative windows

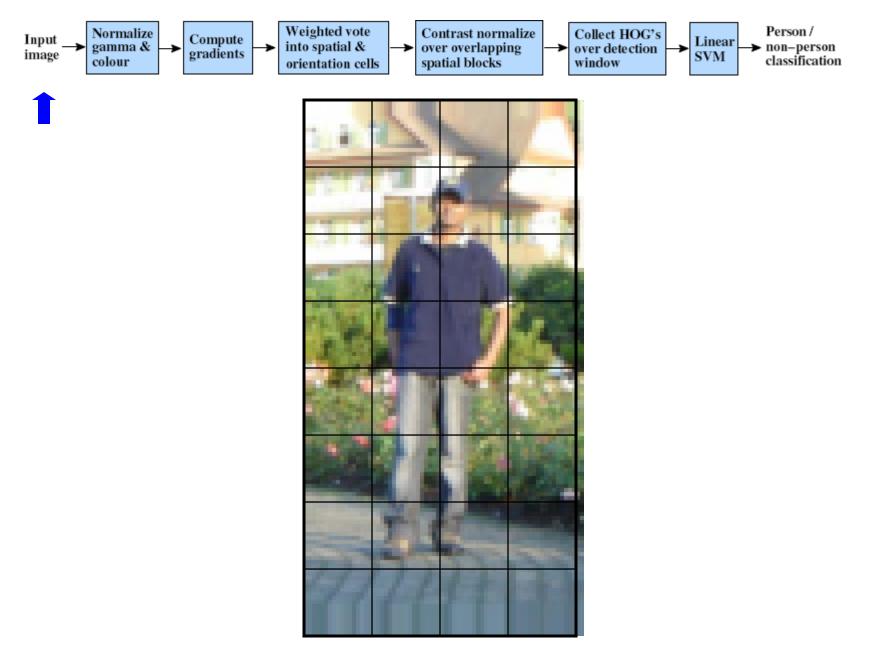
Face detection and recognition

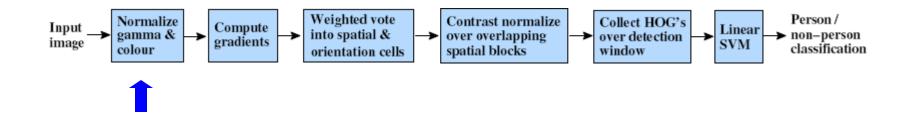


Dalal-Triggs pedestrian detector



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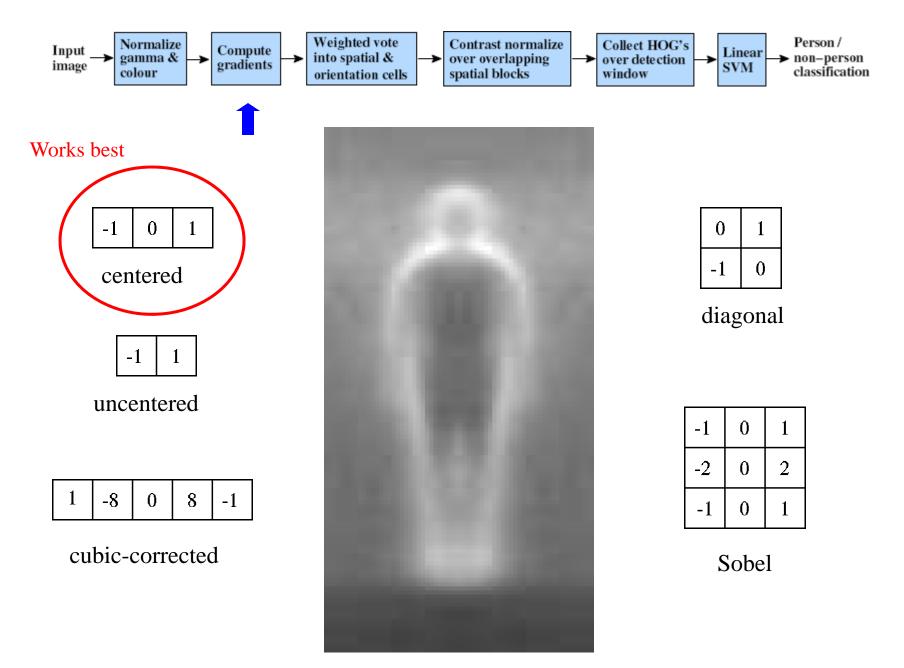
- Tested with
 - RGB

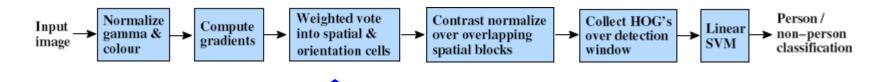
Slightly better performance vs. grayscale

- LAB
- Grayscale

Gamma Normalization and Compression

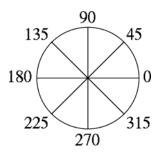
- Square root $\$ Very slightly better performance vs. no adjustment
- Log



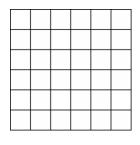


 Histogram of gradient orientations

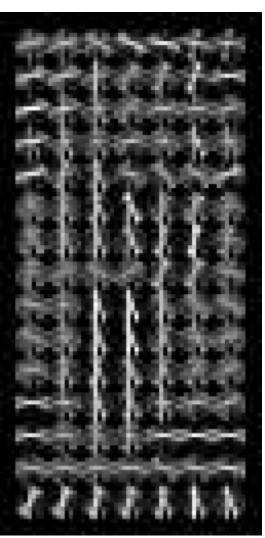
Orientation: 9 bins (for unsigned angles 0-180)

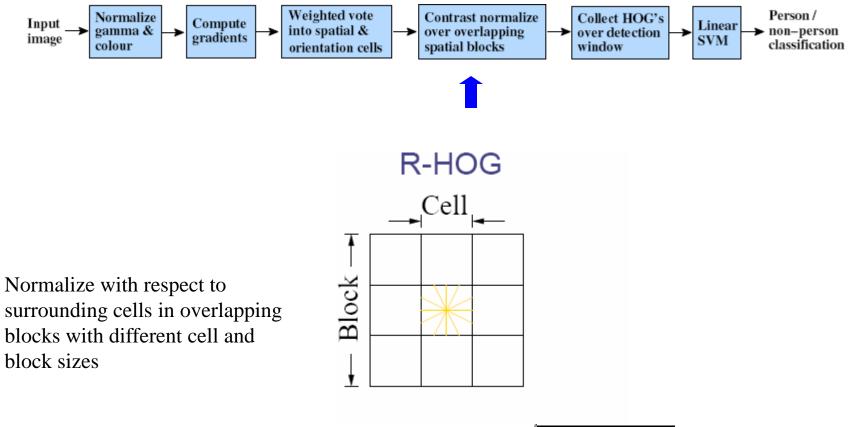


Histograms in 8x8 pixel cells

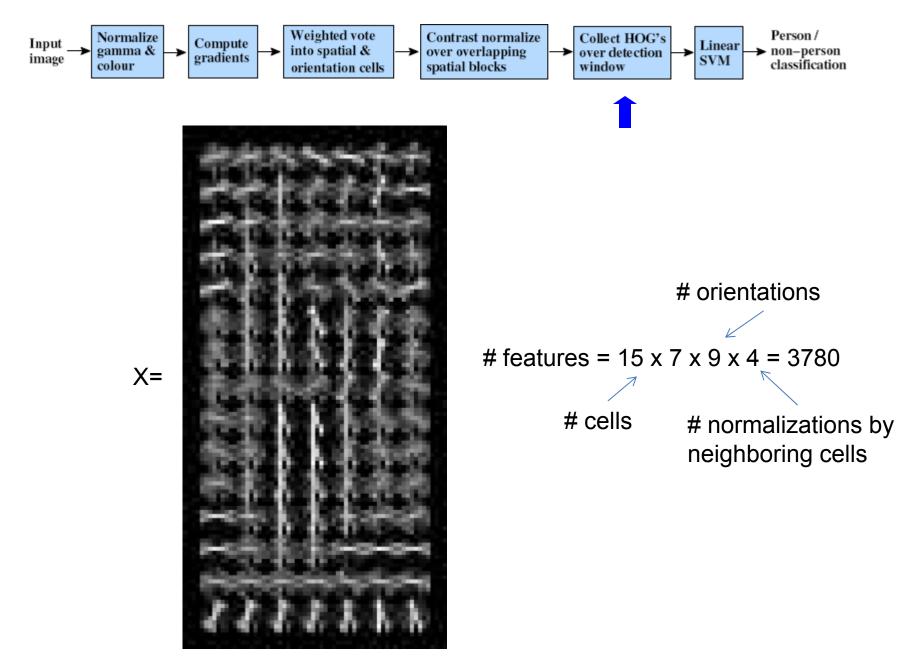


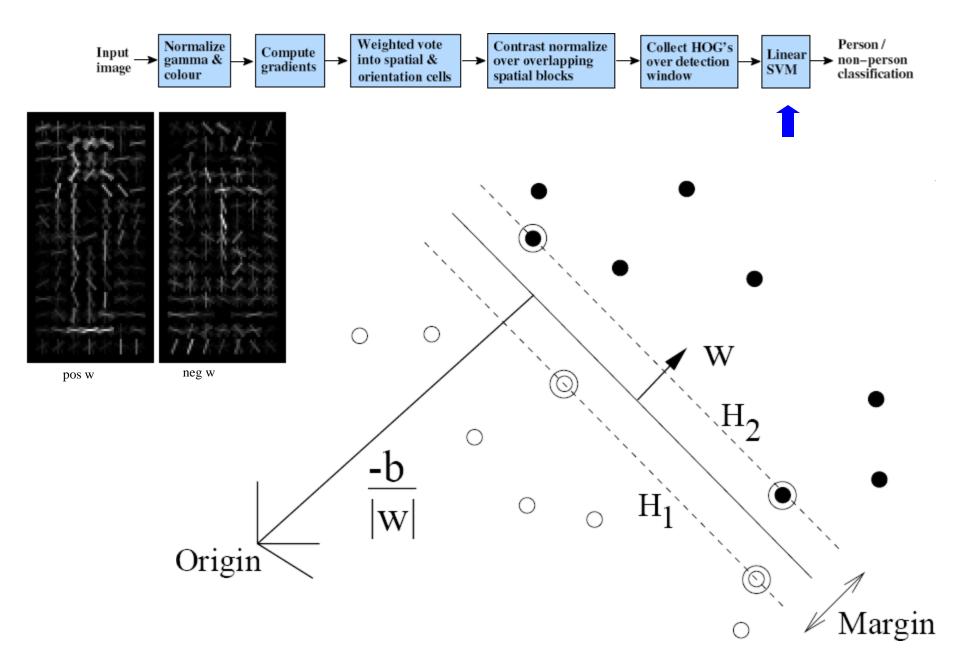
Votes weighted by magnitude
Bilinear interpolation between cells

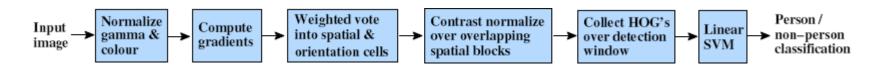


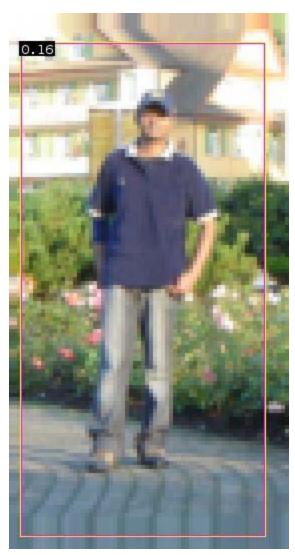


$$L2 - norm : v \longrightarrow v/\sqrt{||v||_2^2 + \epsilon^2}$$



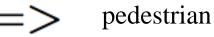






 $0.16 = w^T x - b$

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sign(0.16) = 1
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Pedestrian detection with HOG

 Train a pedestrian template using a linear support vector machine

positive training examples

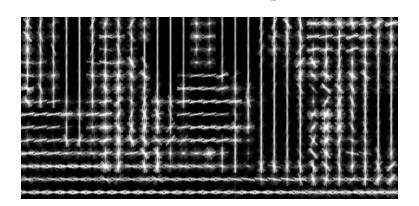


negative training examples



Pedestrian detection with HOG

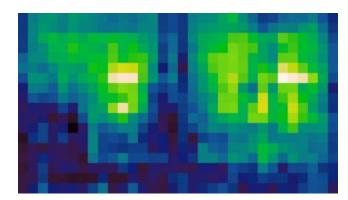
- Train a pedestrian template using a linear support vector machine
- At test time, convolve feature map with template
- Find local maxima of response apply non-max suppression
- For multi-scale detection, repeat over multiple levels of a HOG *pyramid*



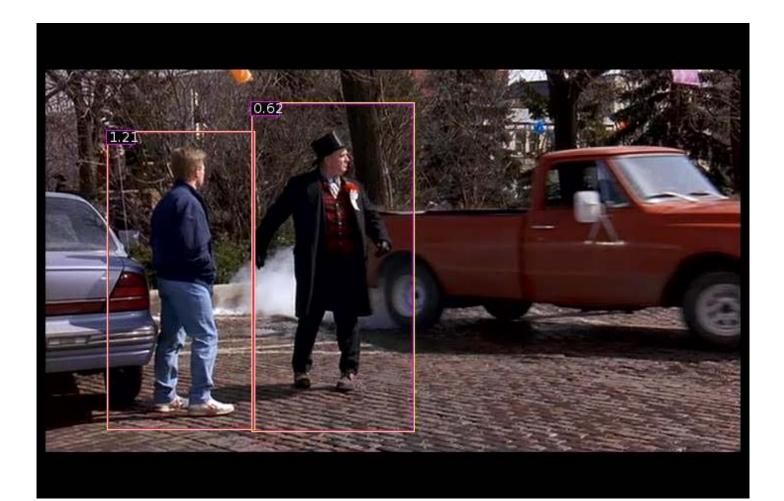
HOG feature map

Template

Detector response map



Detection examples



Part-based Models

Part-based Models

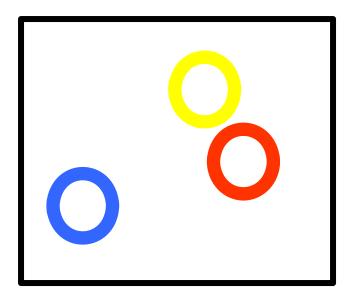
Define object by collection of parts modeled by

- 1. Appearance
- 2. Spatial configuration

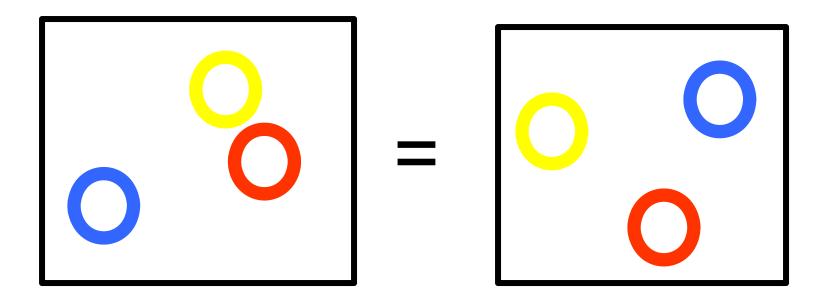


Slide credit: Rob Fergus

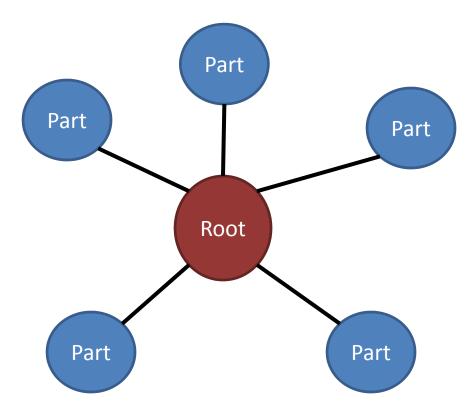
• One extreme: fixed template



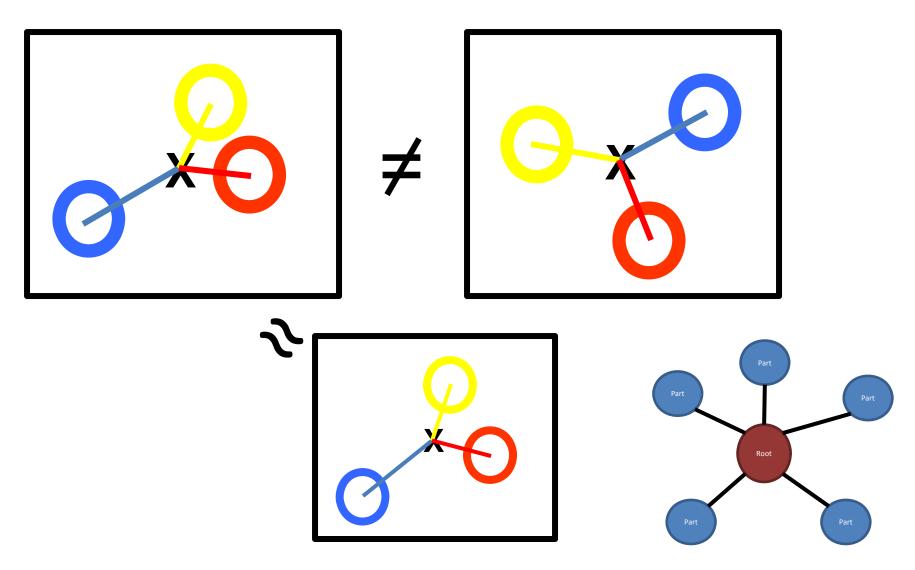
Another extreme: bag of words



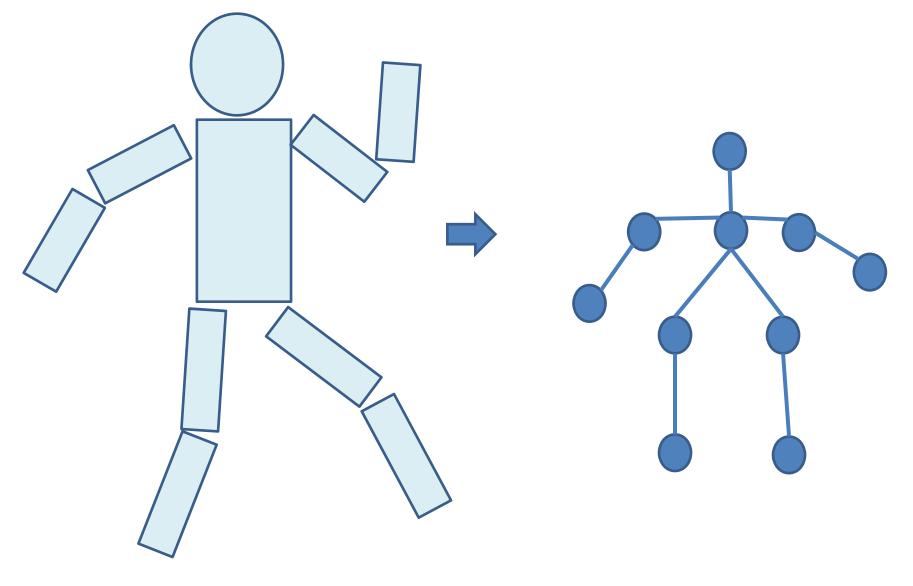
Star-shaped model



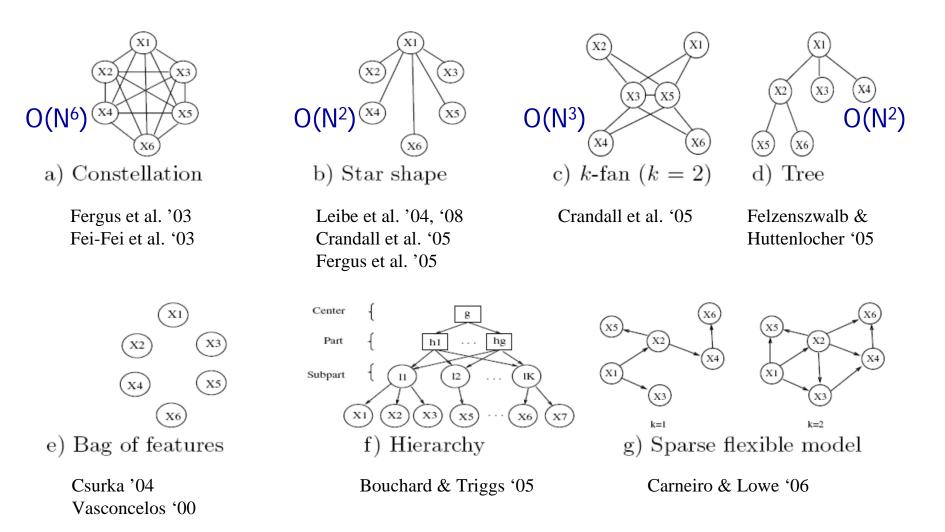
Star-shaped model



Tree-shaped model



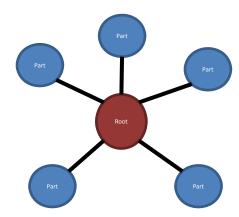
• Many others...

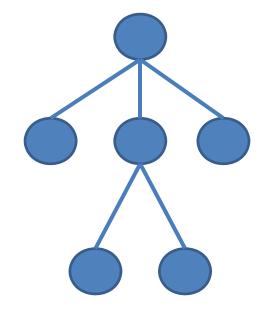


from [Carneiro & Lowe, ECCV'06]

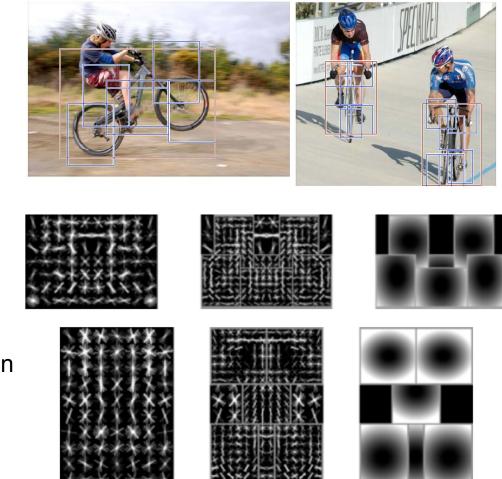
Star and Tree-shaped Models

- 1. Star-shaped model
 - Example: Deformable Parts Model
 - Felzenswalb et al. 2010
- 2. Tree-shaped model
 - Example: Pictorial structures
 - Felzenszwalb Huttenlocher 2005



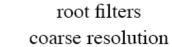


Deformable Part Model (DPM)



Detections

Template Visualization



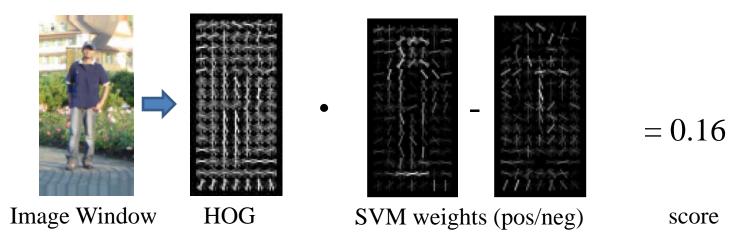
part filters finer resolution

deformation

models

Felzenszwalb et al. 2008, 2010

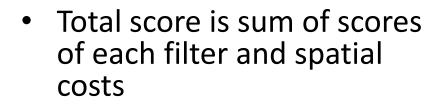
Review: Dalal-Triggs detector

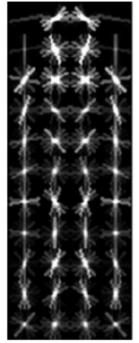


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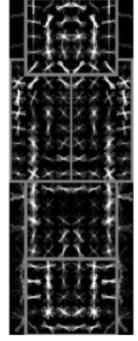
Deformable parts model

- Root filter models coarse whole-object appearance
- Part filters model finerscale appearance of smaller patches
- For each root window, part positions that maximize appearance score minus spatial cost are found

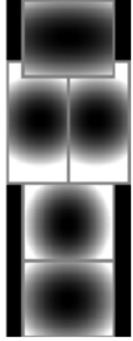




Root filter

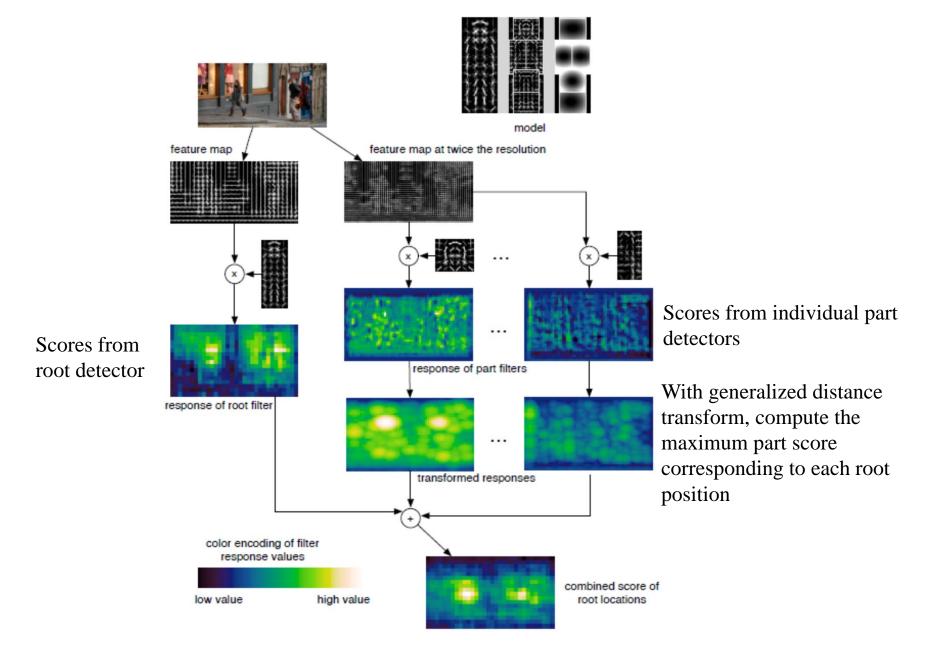


Part filters



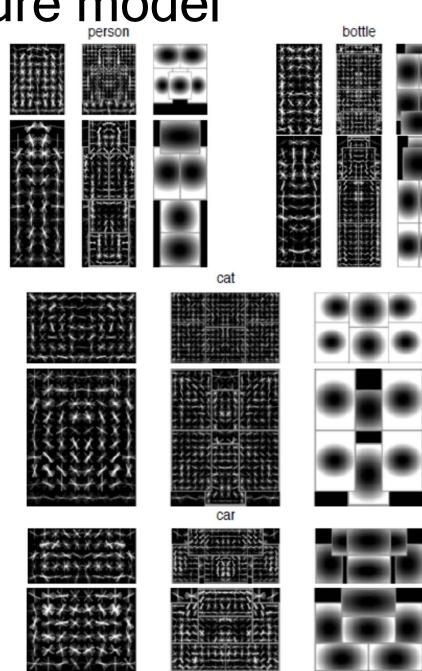
Spatial costs

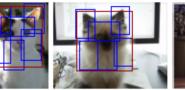
DPM: computing object score



DPM: mixture model

- Each positive example is modeled by one of M detectors
- In testing, all detectors are applied with non-max suppression

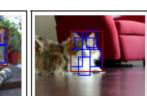


















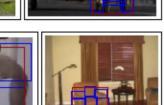


bottle



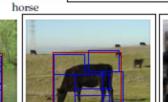






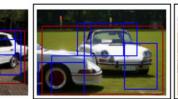






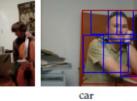










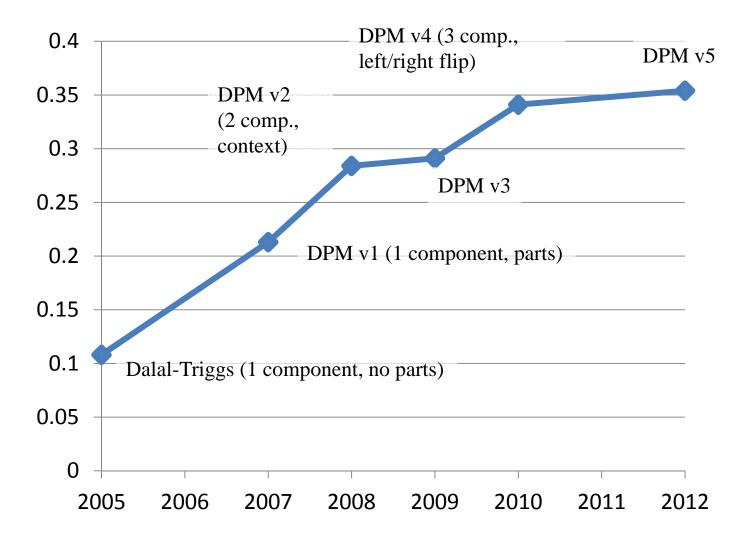




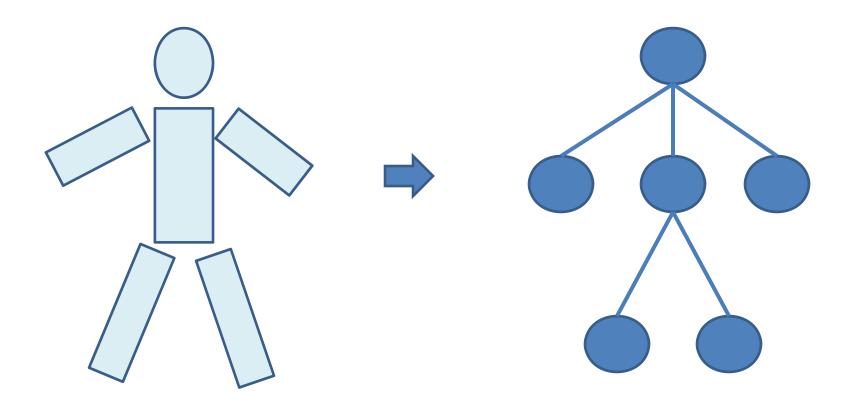
person

Improvement over time for HOG-based detectors

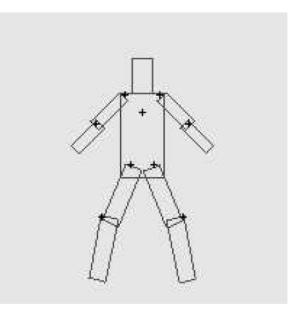
Average Precision on PASCAL VOC 2007

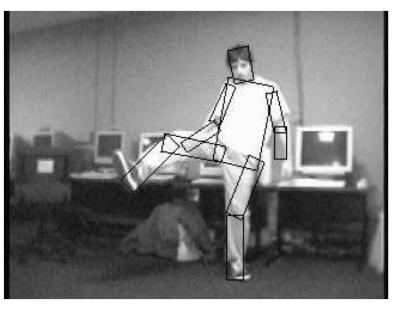


Tree-shaped model

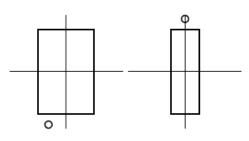


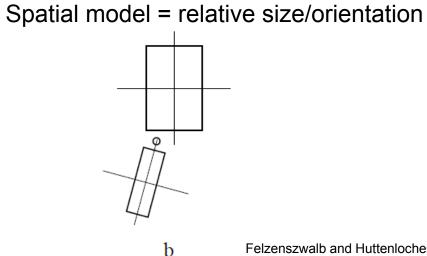
Pictorial Structures



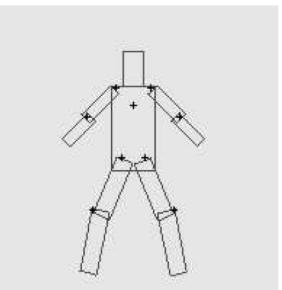


Part = oriented rectangle





Pictorial Structures Model



$$\begin{split} P(L|I,\theta) \propto & \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} p(I|l_i,u_i) \prod_{(v_i,v_j) \in E} p(l_i,l_j|c_{ij})\right) \\ & \text{Appearance likelihood} \end{split} \quad \text{Geometry likelihood} \end{split}$$

Modeling the Appearance

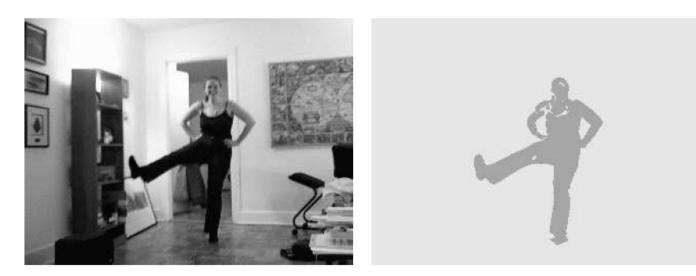
- Any appearance model could be used
 - HOG Templates, etc.
 - Here: rectangles fit to background subtracted binary map
- Can train appearance models independently (easy, not as good) or jointly (more complicated but better)

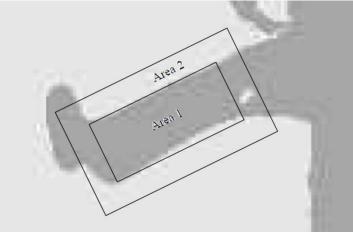
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Appearance likelihood Geometry likelihood

Part representation

Background subtraction



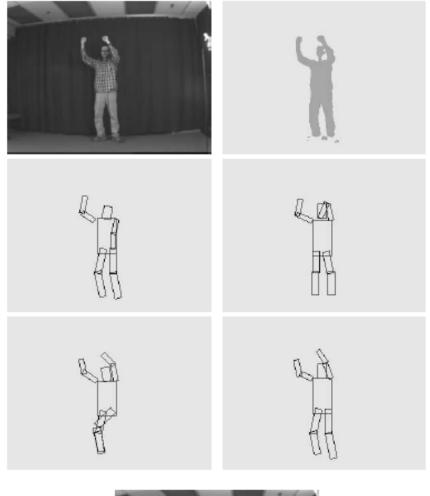


Pictorial structures model

To create multiple likely candidates

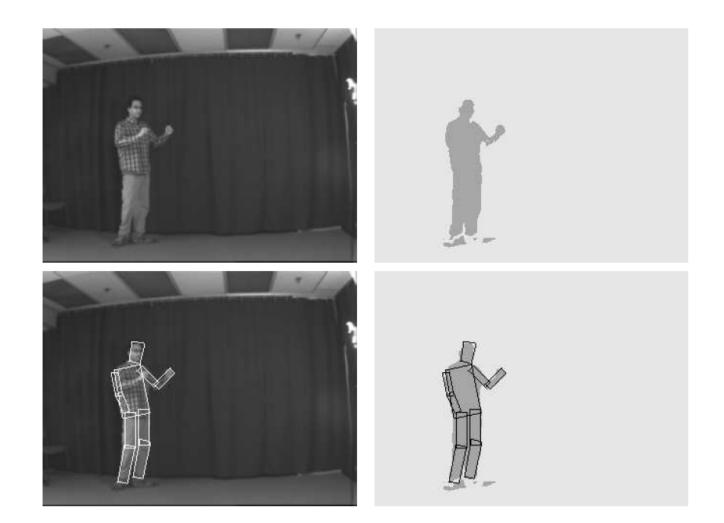
 Sample root node, then each node given parent, until all parts are sampled

Sample poses from likelihood and choose best match





Results for person matching



Results for person matching

