

A Global Approach to Vision-Based Pedestrian Detection for Advanced Driver Assistance Systems

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Introduction

The automobile

“key technology for humans”

“changes societies”

“provides progress and freedom”

“development source”



src.: www.oldcartruckads.com

Introduction

Problem: traffic accidents

WORLDWIDE

Pedestrians killed every year
1.2 million killed every year
50 million injured every year
7,000 killed every year,
cost of 45 billion every year
(more than the aid to third world)



Src.: National Photo Company Collection glass negative

Introduction

Safety measures

Traditional

Seat belts

Head lamps

Physical sensor-actuator

Airbags

Antilock Brake System (ABS)

Electronic Stability Control (ESC)

Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS)

Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC)

Adaptive Headlamps

Lane Departure Warning System

Pedestrian Protection System (PPS)



Src.: Ford Motor Company



Src.: Gerdbrendel

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Src.: Jeff Dean

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Src.: www.aa1car.com

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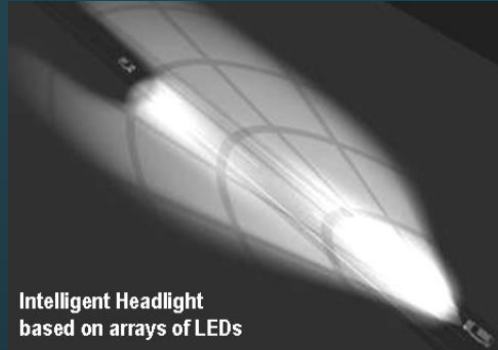
Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS)

Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC)

Adaptive Headlamps

Lane Departure Warning (LDW)

Pedestrian Protection System (PPS)



Src.: A.M. López et al., ACIVSo8



Src.: Bosch.com

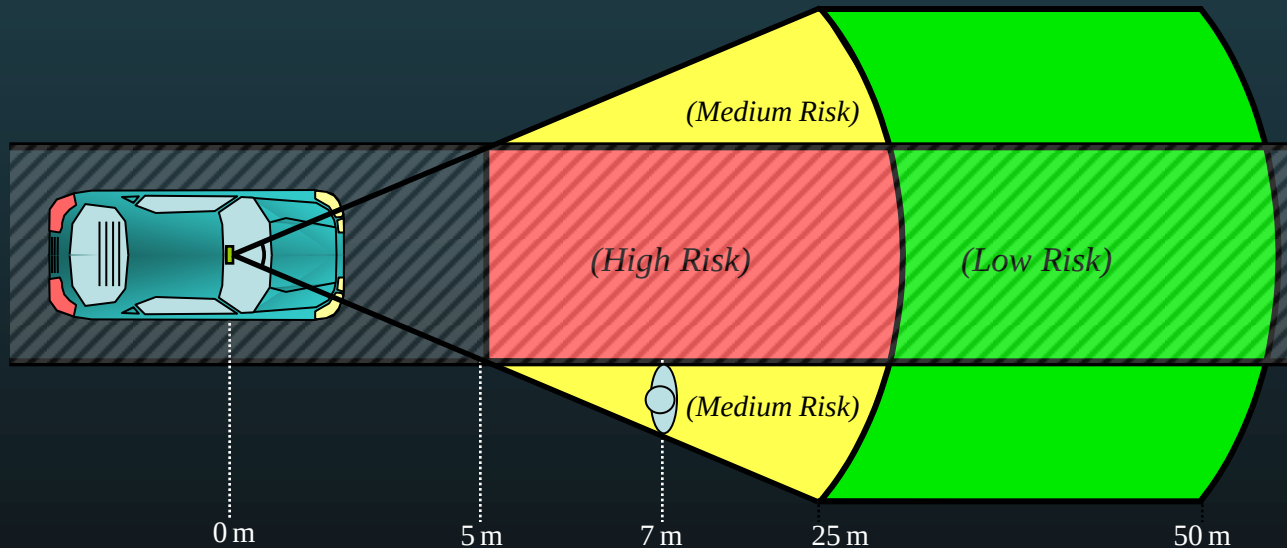


Src.: A.M. López et al., ITSCo5

Introduction

Pedestrian Protection System (PPS)

A PPS is formally defined as a system that detects both static and moving people in the surroundings of the vehicle (typically in the front area) in order to provide information to the driver and perform evasive or braking actions on the host vehicle if needed.



Introduction

Thesis motivation

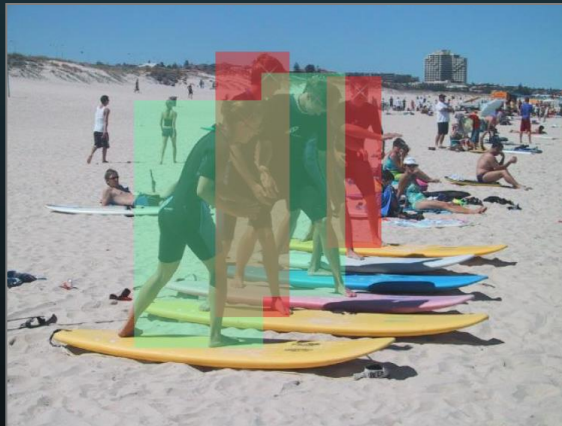
A global approach
to vision-based
pedestrian detection
for advanced driver assistance systems

Introduction

Main objective

A global approach
to vision-based
pedestrian detection
for advanced driver assistance systems

general human detection



Src.: N. Dalal, PhD Thesis 06

ADAS

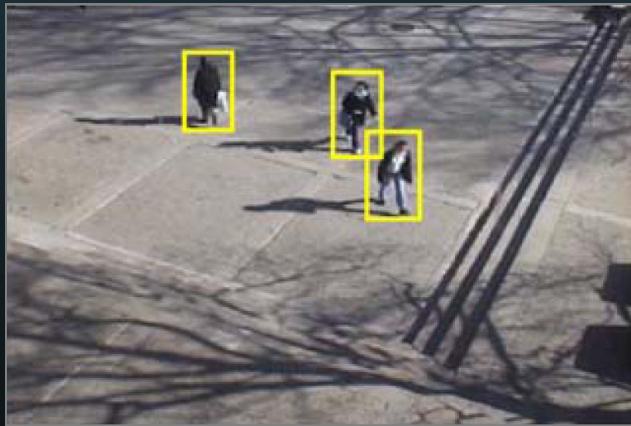


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surveillance, retrieval, etc.



Src.: P. Viola et al., IJCV05

ADAS



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LIDAR, RADAR, etc.



Src.: K. Fuerstenberg., IVo2

Camera-based (daytime)



Introduction

Objectives of the thesis

- ✓ Review of the state of the art (define general architecture)
- ✓ Foreground segmentation (new proposals and algorithms evaluation)
- ✓ Object classification
- ✓ Refinement techniques (clustering and shape extraction)
- ✓ System (based on 3 components)
- ✓ Pedestrian datasets

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State of the Art

Contributions

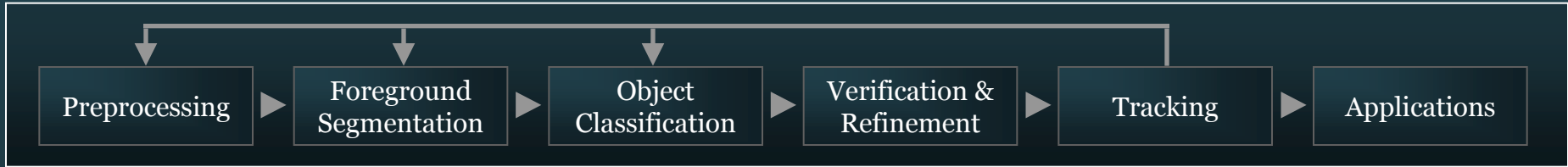
- ✓ Generic architecture of pedestrian protection systems
- ✓ Review of vision-based approaches (both visible and infrared)
- ✓ Review of sensor fusion approaches
- ✓ Review of evaluation protocols and datasets
- ✓ Discussion on future trends

State of the Art



State of the Art

Architecture



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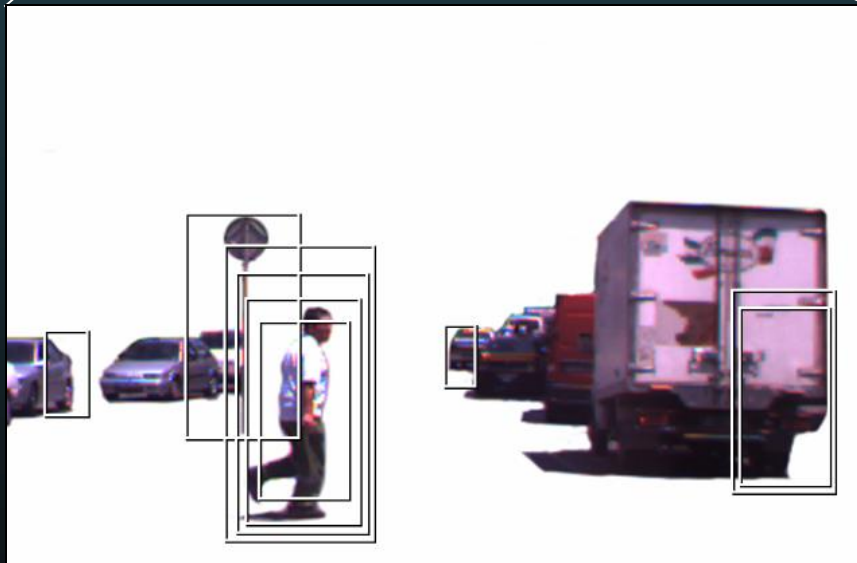
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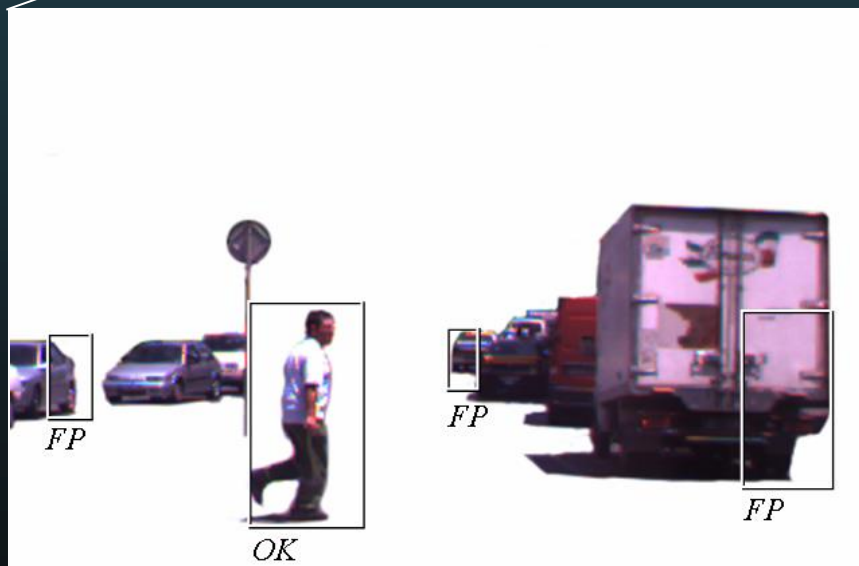
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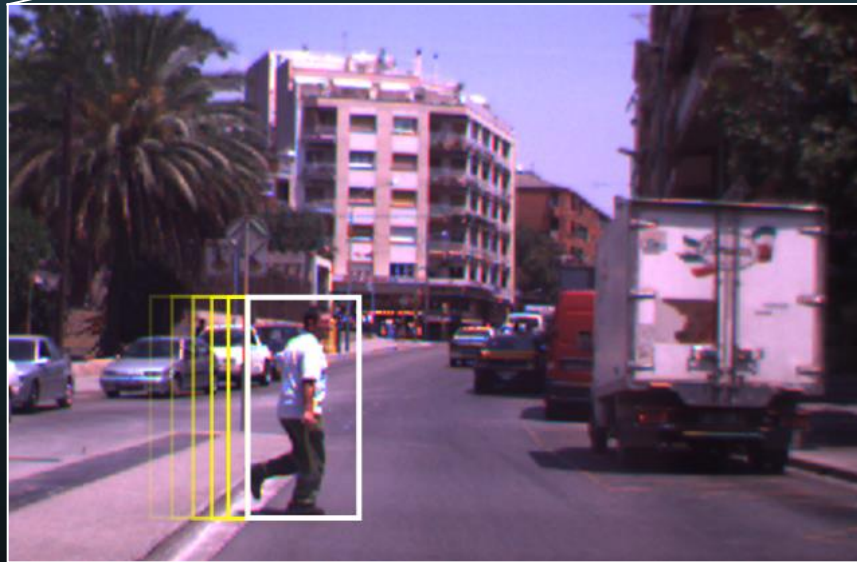
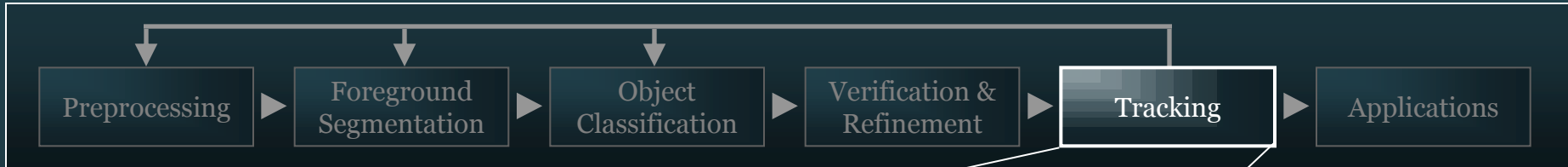
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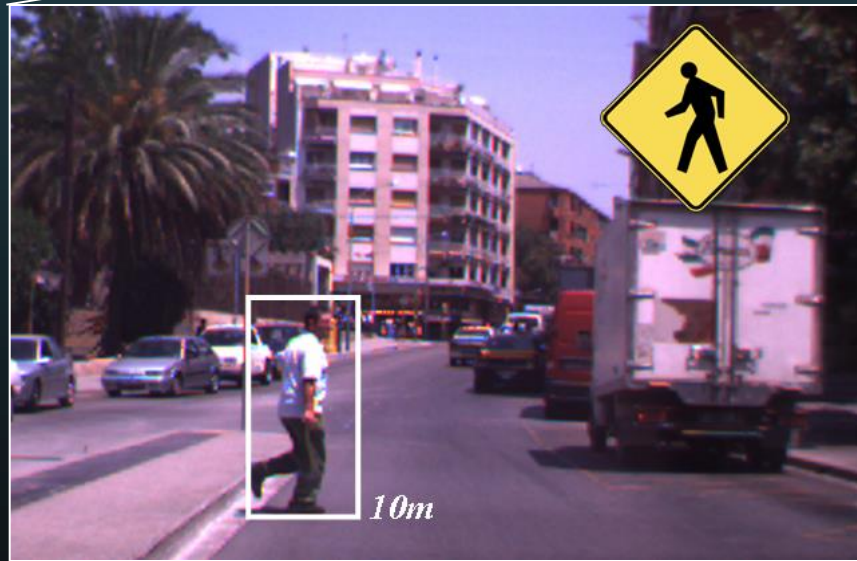
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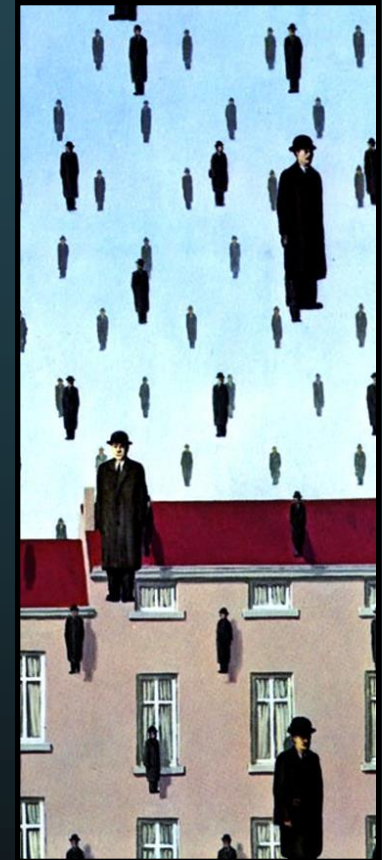
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Foreground Segmentation

Contributions

- ✓ New evaluation dataset
- ✓ New evaluation protocol
- ✓ Performance study of five different algorithms
- ✓ New algorithm: adaptive road scanning (with and without 3D filtering)
- ✓ New algorithm: probabilistic 3D scanning

Foreground Segmentation

Evaluation Methodology

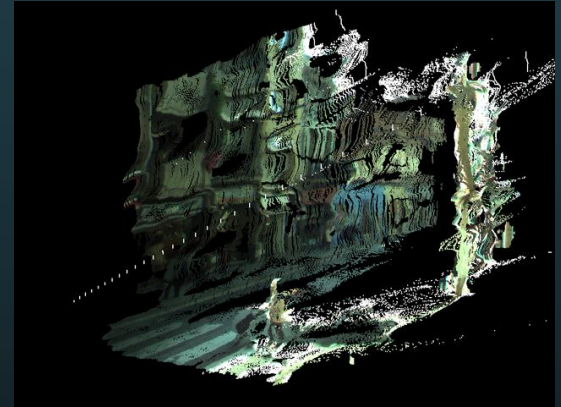
Computer Vision Center Candidate Generation Pedestrian Dataset
(CVC-02-CG)



Color



Depth map

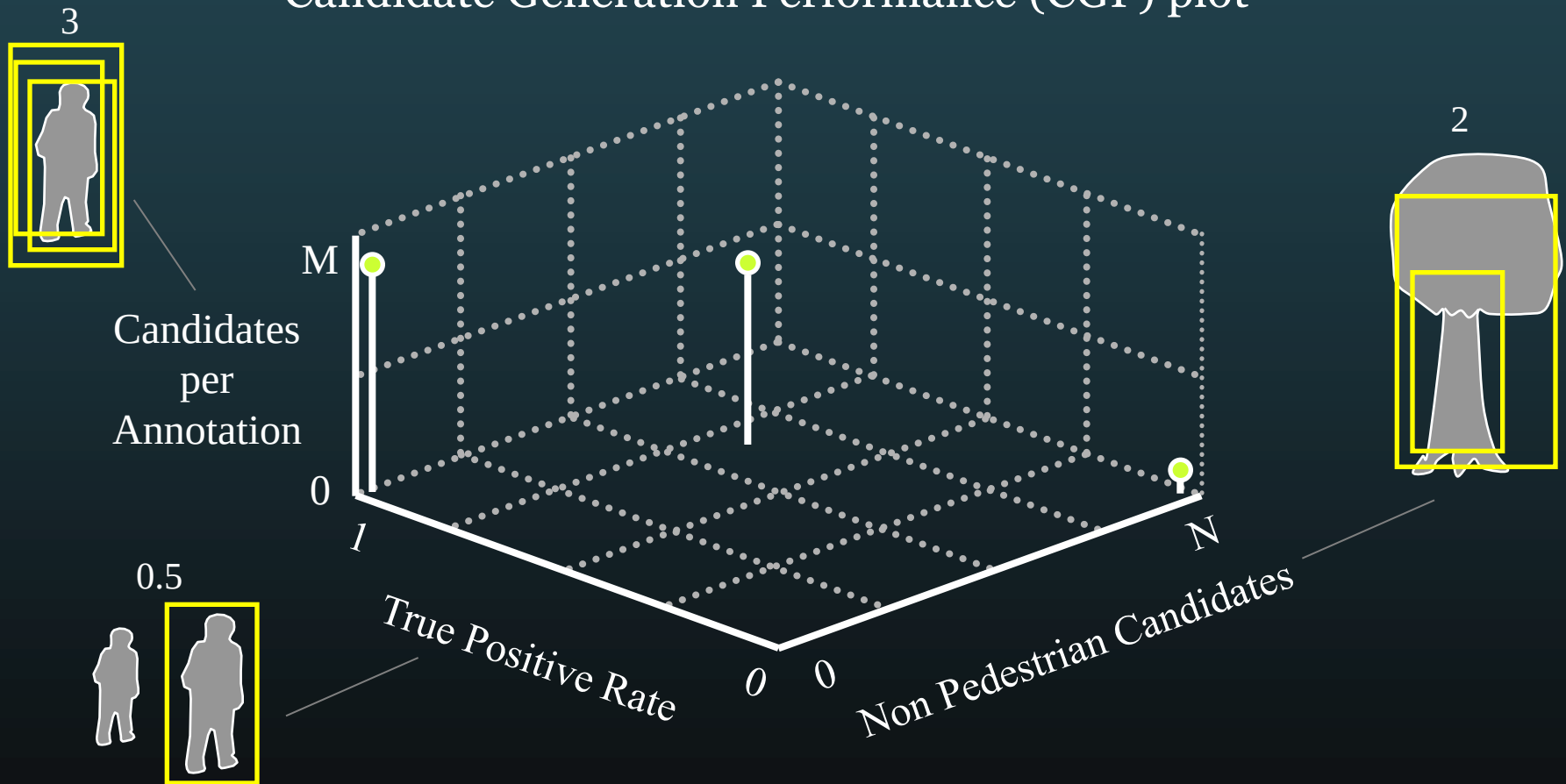


3D points

Foreground Segmentation

Evaluation Methodology

Candidate Generation Performance (CGP) plot

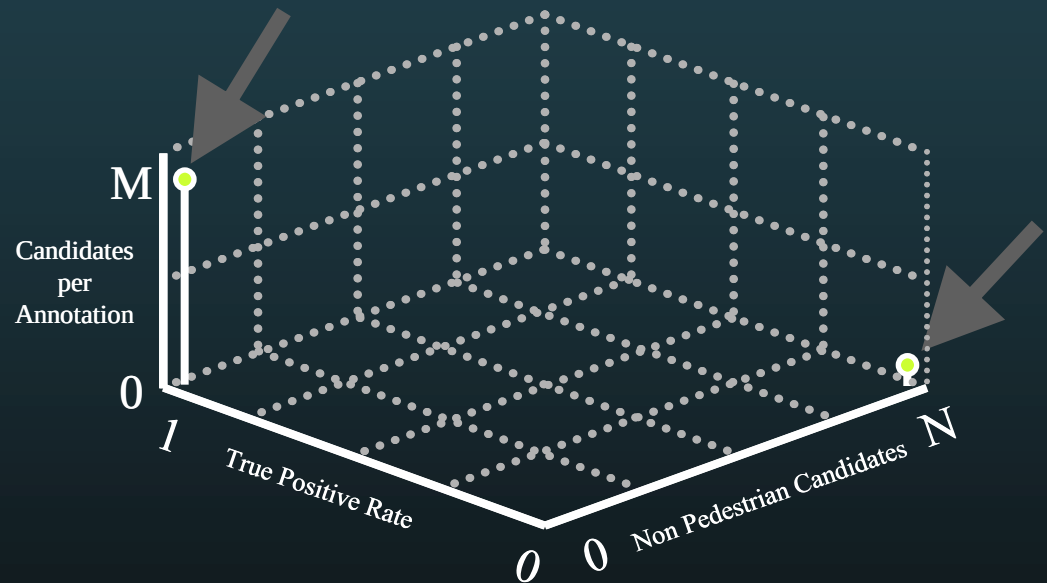


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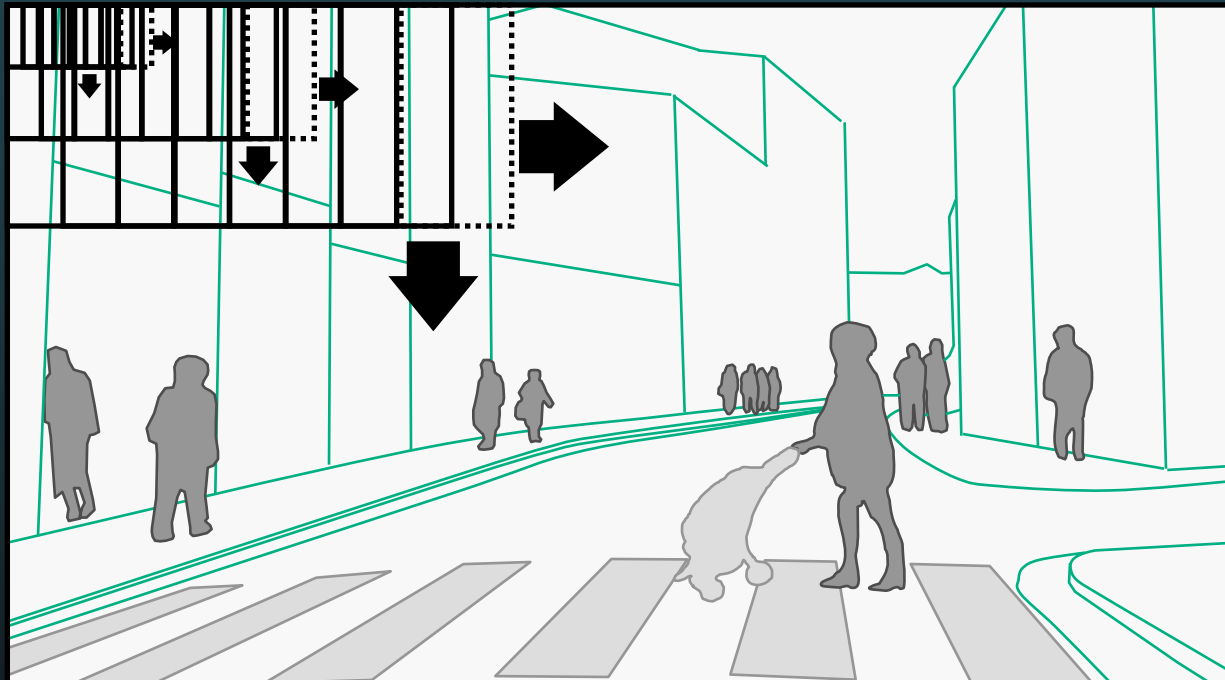
Candidate Generation Performance (CGP) plot

Good algorithm



Foreground Segmentation

Sliding Window



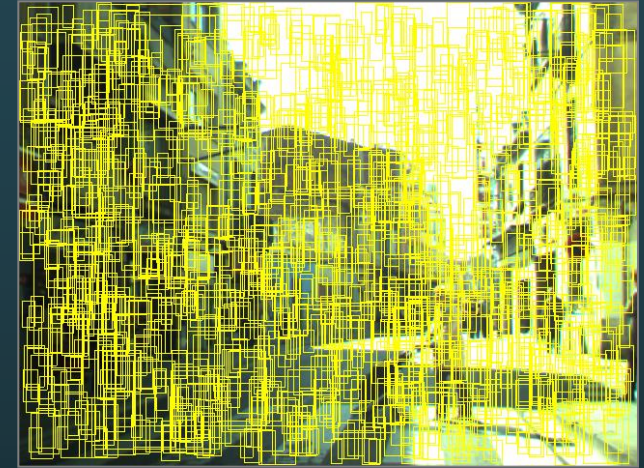
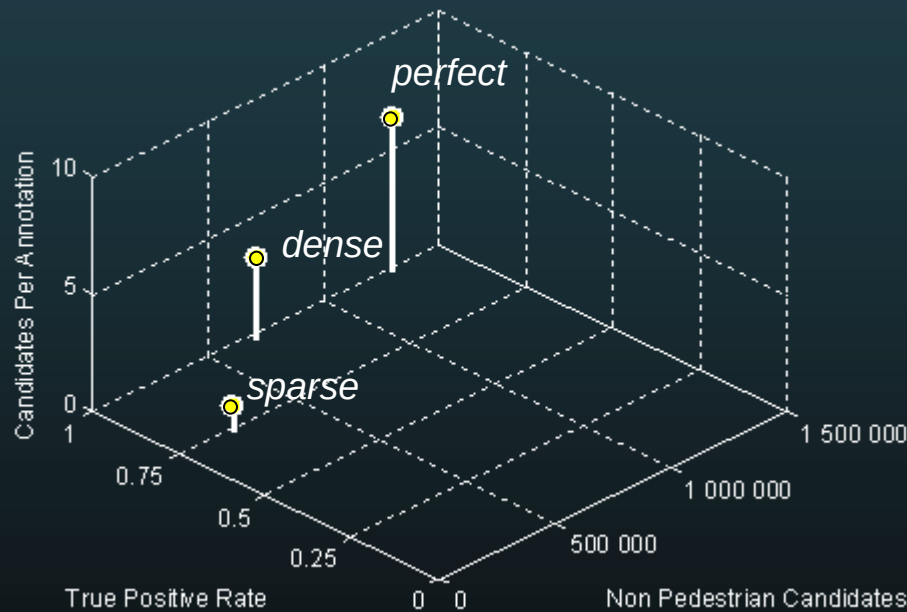
[Papageorgiou00,Dalal05]

Foreground Segmentation

(0.1% shown)

Sliding Window

—●— Sliding Window



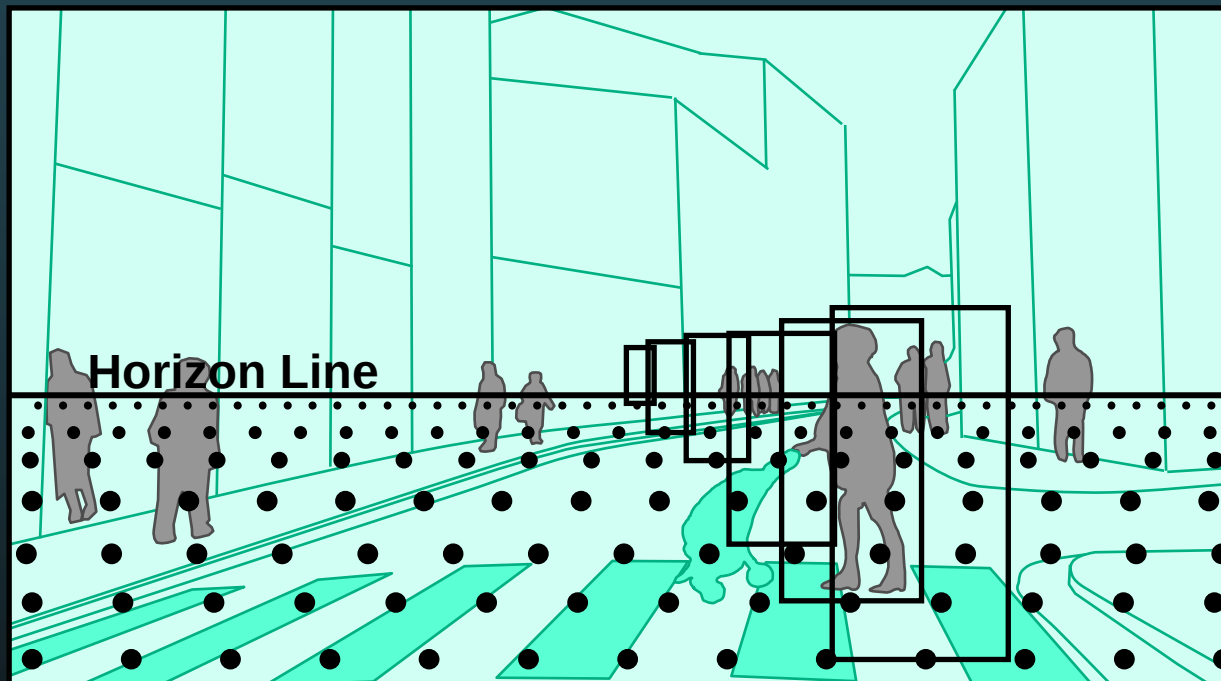
220,000 to 1,300,000
candidates

0 s generation

22 to 130 s classification
(assuming 0.1 ms/window)

Foreground Segmentation

Flat World Assumption



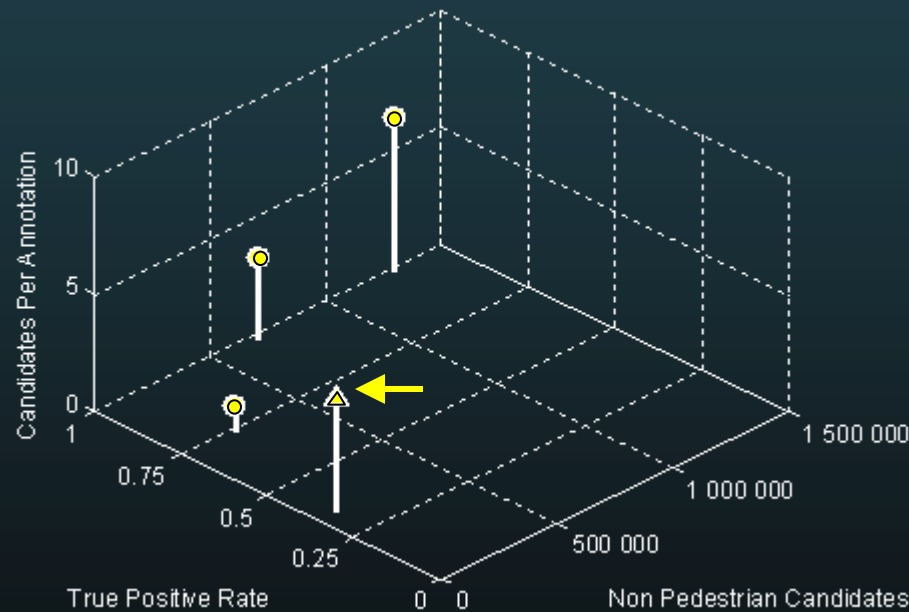
[Bertozzi03,Gavrila04,Ponsa05]

Foreground Segmentation

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Flat World Assumption

- Sliding Window
- ▲ Flat World Assumption



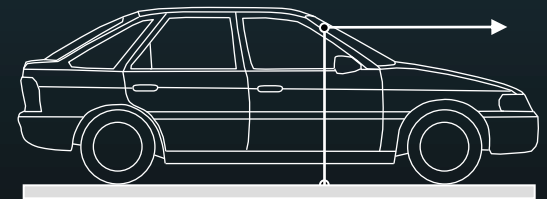
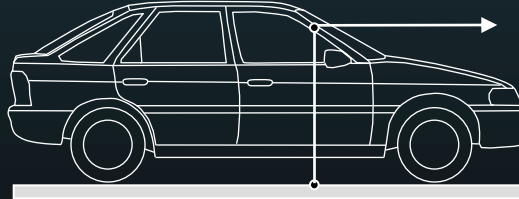
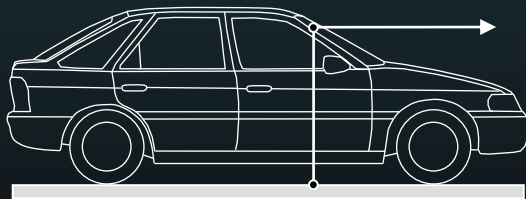
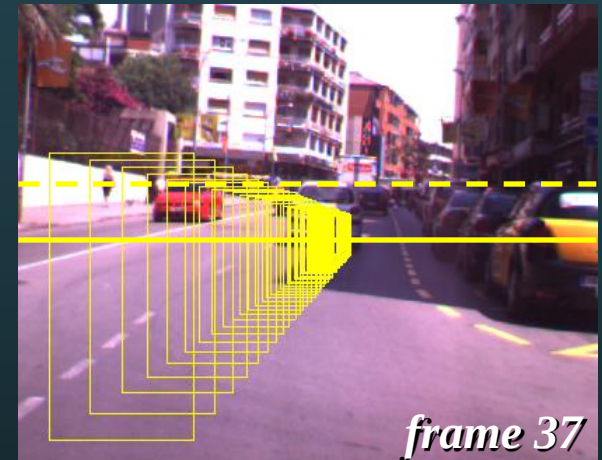
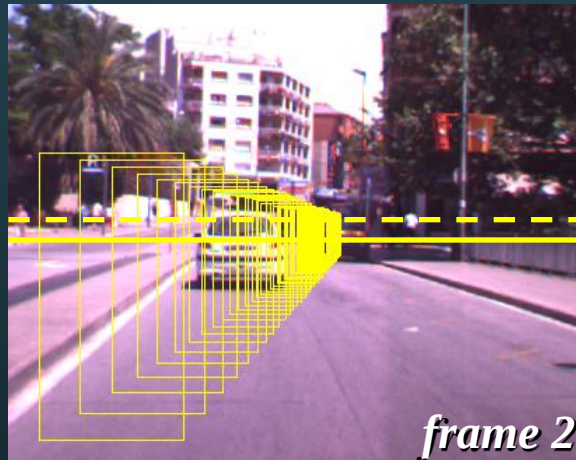
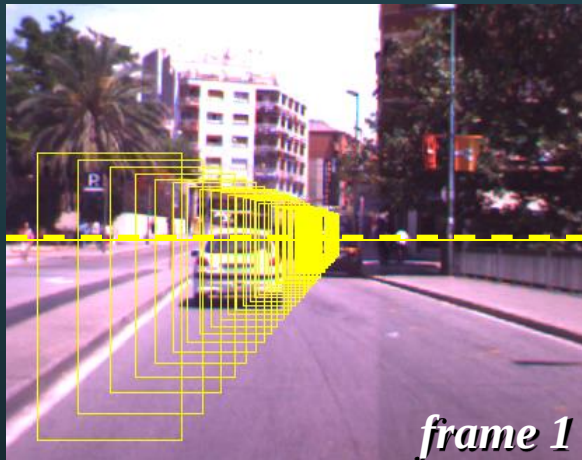
42,000 candidates

0 s generation

4.2 s classification

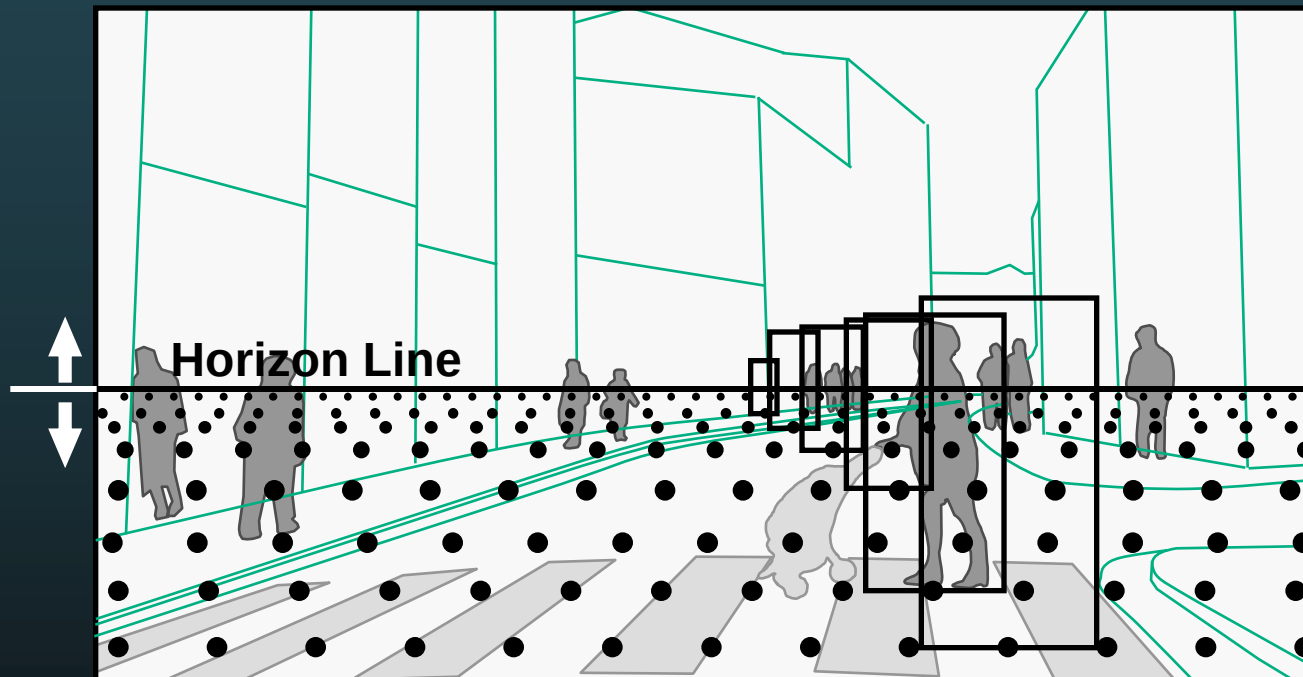
Foreground Segmentation

Flat World Assumption



Foreground Segmentation

Adaptive Road Scanning

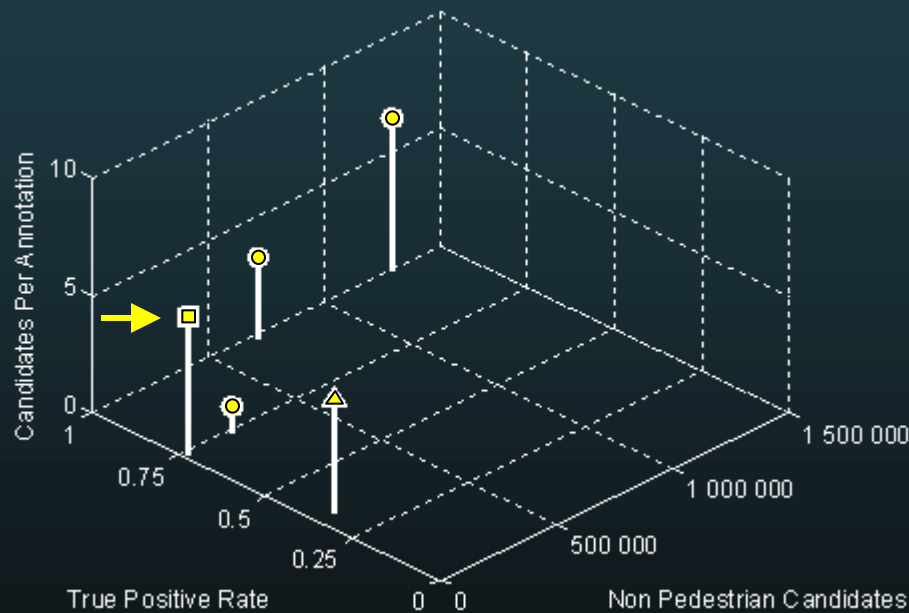


Foreground Segmentation

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Adaptive Road Scanning

- Sliding Window
- ▲ Flat World Assumption
- Adaptive Road Scanning



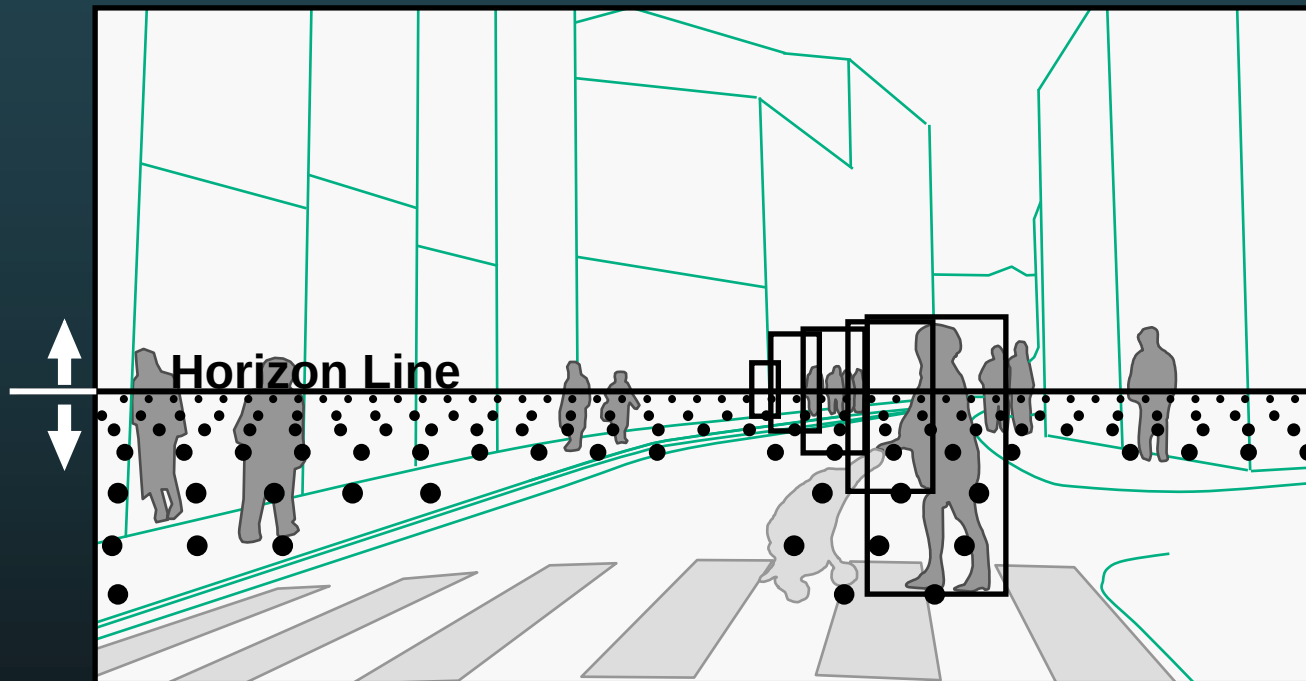
32,000 candidates

0.16 s generation

3.2 s classification

Foreground Segmentation

Adaptive Road Scanning with 3D-based filtering

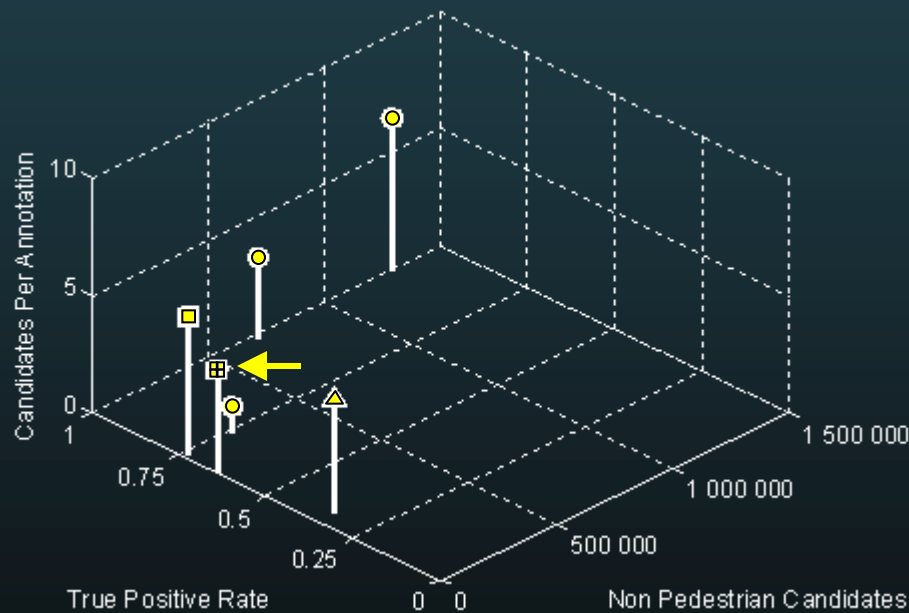


Foreground Segmentation

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Adaptive Road Scanning with 3D-based filtering

- Sliding Window
- △ Flat World Assumption
- Adaptive Road Scanning
- ▣ Adaptive Road Scanning with 3D-based Filtering



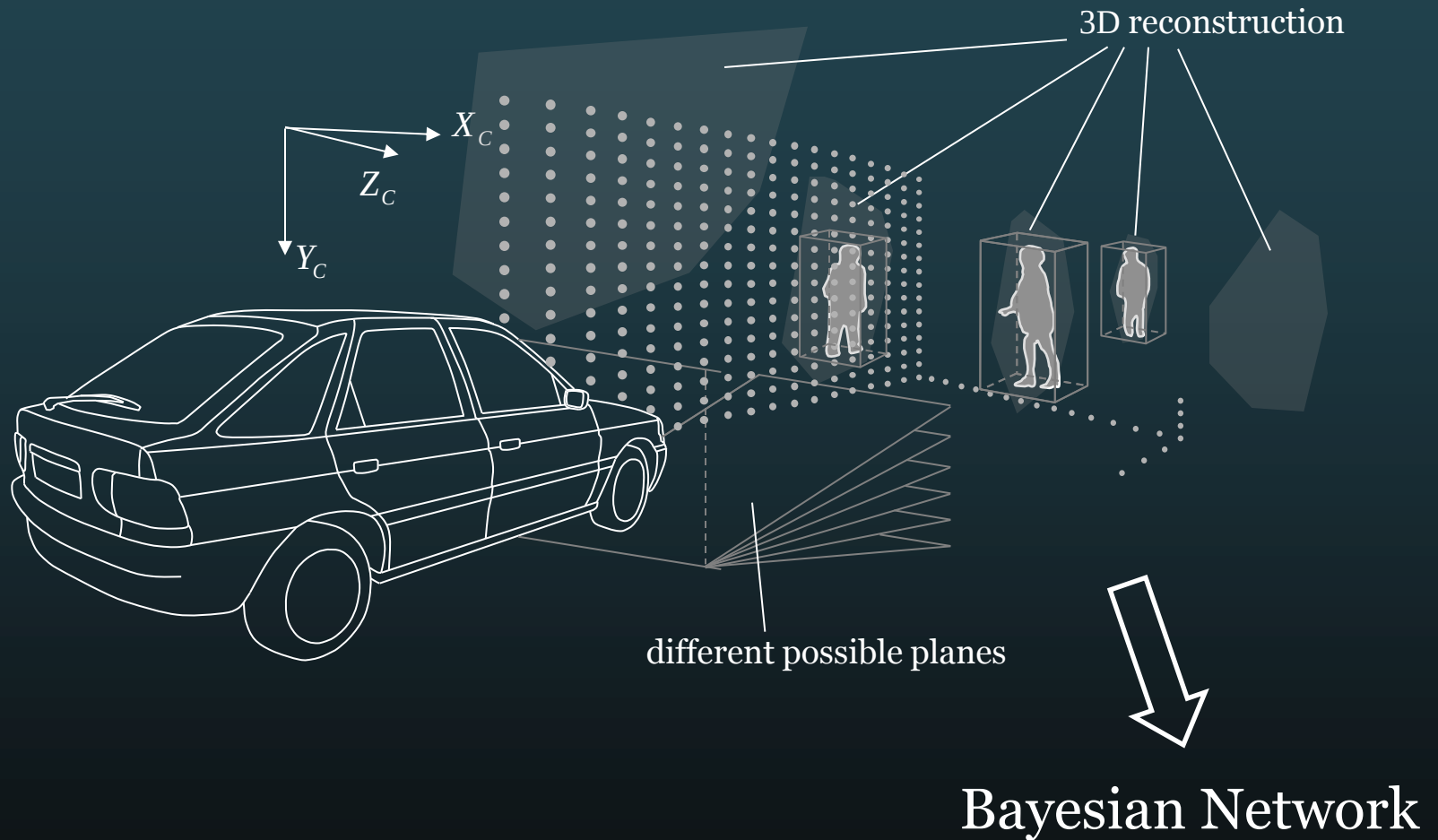
7,000 candidates

0.19 s generation

0.7 s classification

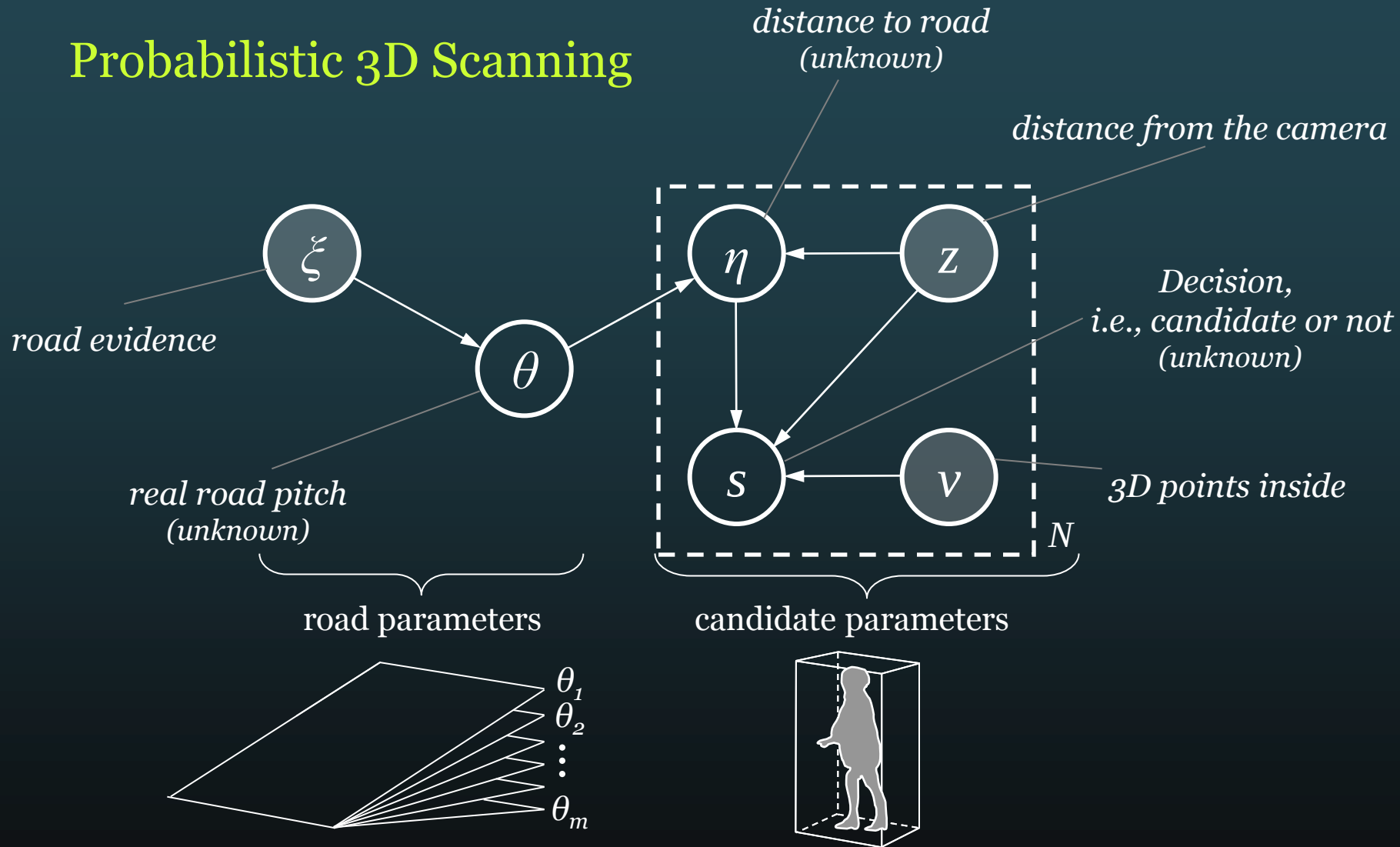
Foreground Segmentation

Probabilistic 3D Scanning



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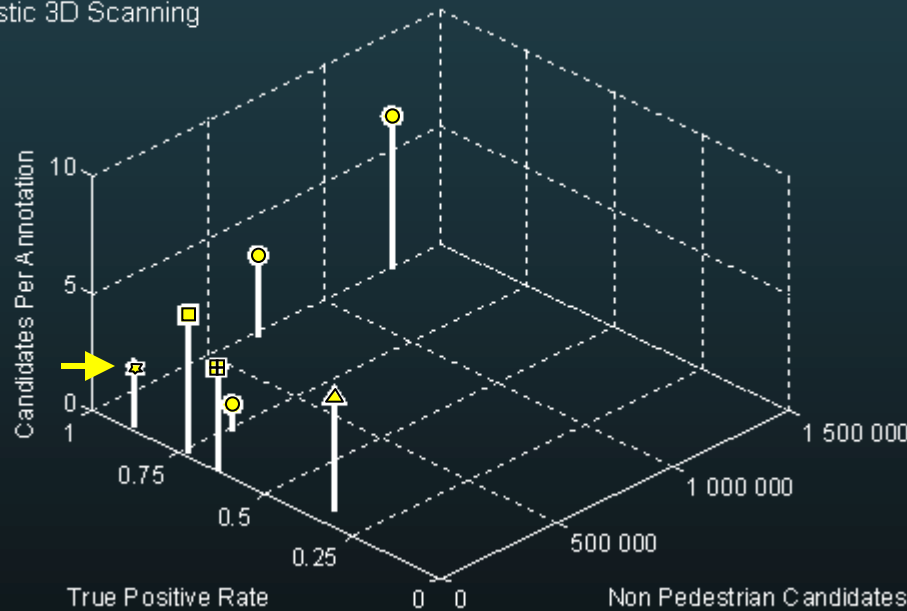


Foreground Segmentation

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Probabilistic 3D Scanning

- Sliding Window
- ▲ Flat World Assumption
- Adaptive Road Scanning
- ▣ Adaptive Road Scanning with 3D-based Filtering
- ★ Probabilistic 3D Scanning



36,000 candidates

40 s generation

3.6 s classification

Foreground Segmentation

Statistics

Algorithm	#candidates	TPR	Total time (foreg.+classif.)
Sliding window (perfect)	1 300 000	1.00	130 s
Sliding window (dense)	700 000	0.98	70 s
Sliding window (sparse)	220 000	0.75	22 s
Flat world assumption	42 000	0.35	4.2 s
Adaptive road scanning	32 000	0.74	3.36 s
Adaptive + 3D filtering	7 000	0.66	0.89 s
Probabilistic 3D scanning	36 000	0.90	43.6 s

(Note: assuming that the classifier takes 0.1ms per candidate)

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Object Classification

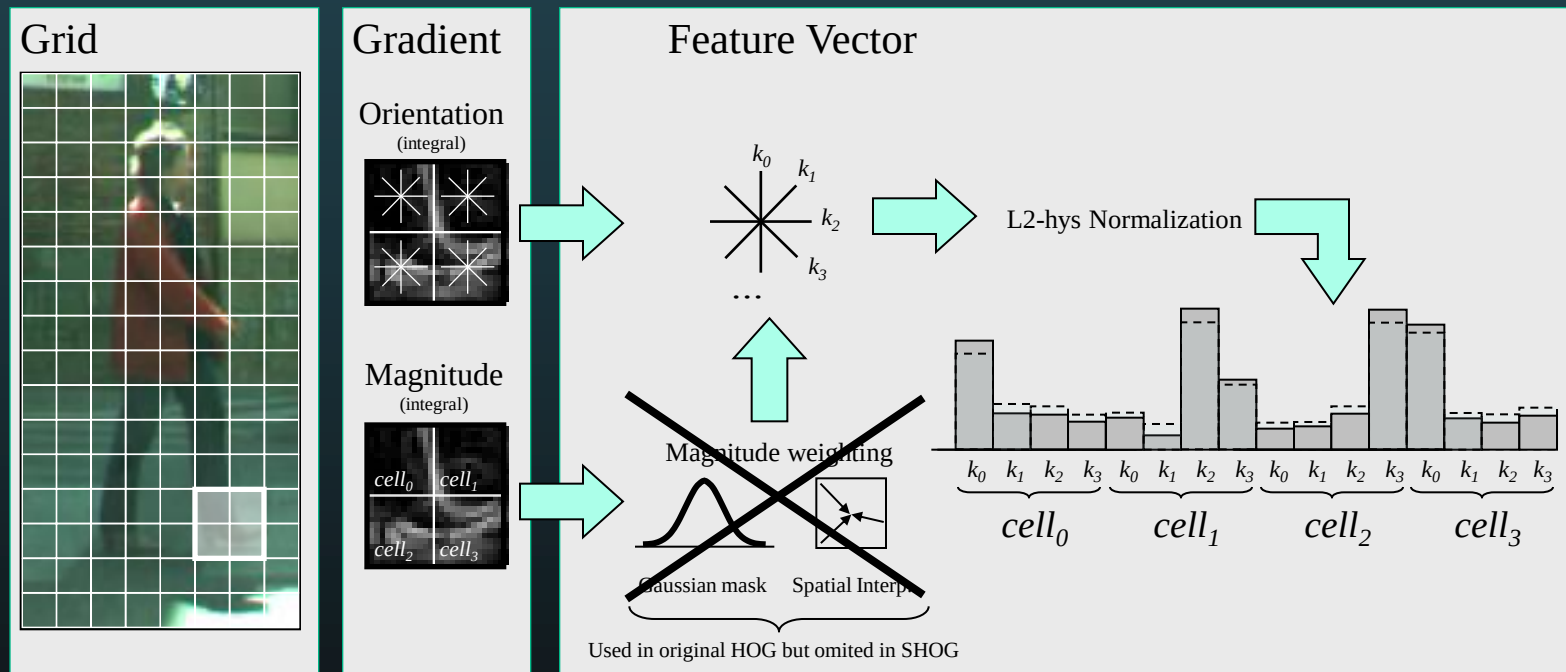
Contributions

- ✓ New dataset
- ✓ Simplified HOG (+ SVM)
- ✓ HaarEOH (+ AdaBoost)
- ✓ Comparisons using different algorithms
 - ✓ Classifiers
 - ✓ Candidate Generation
 - ✓ Source of training samples
- ✓ Analysis of results (intersection of TP, FN, FP)

Object Classification

A study of classifiers

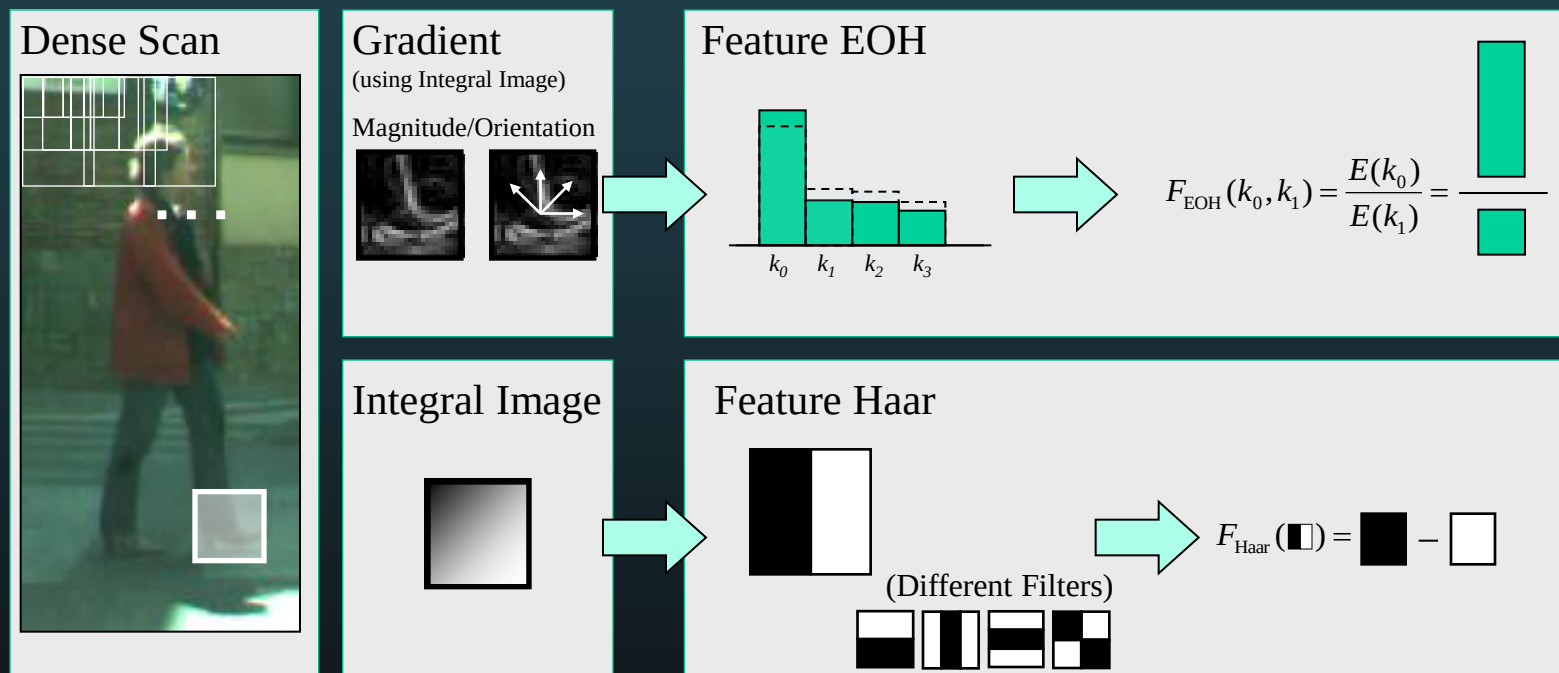
Simplified Histograms of Oriented Gradients (SHOG+SVM)



Object Classification

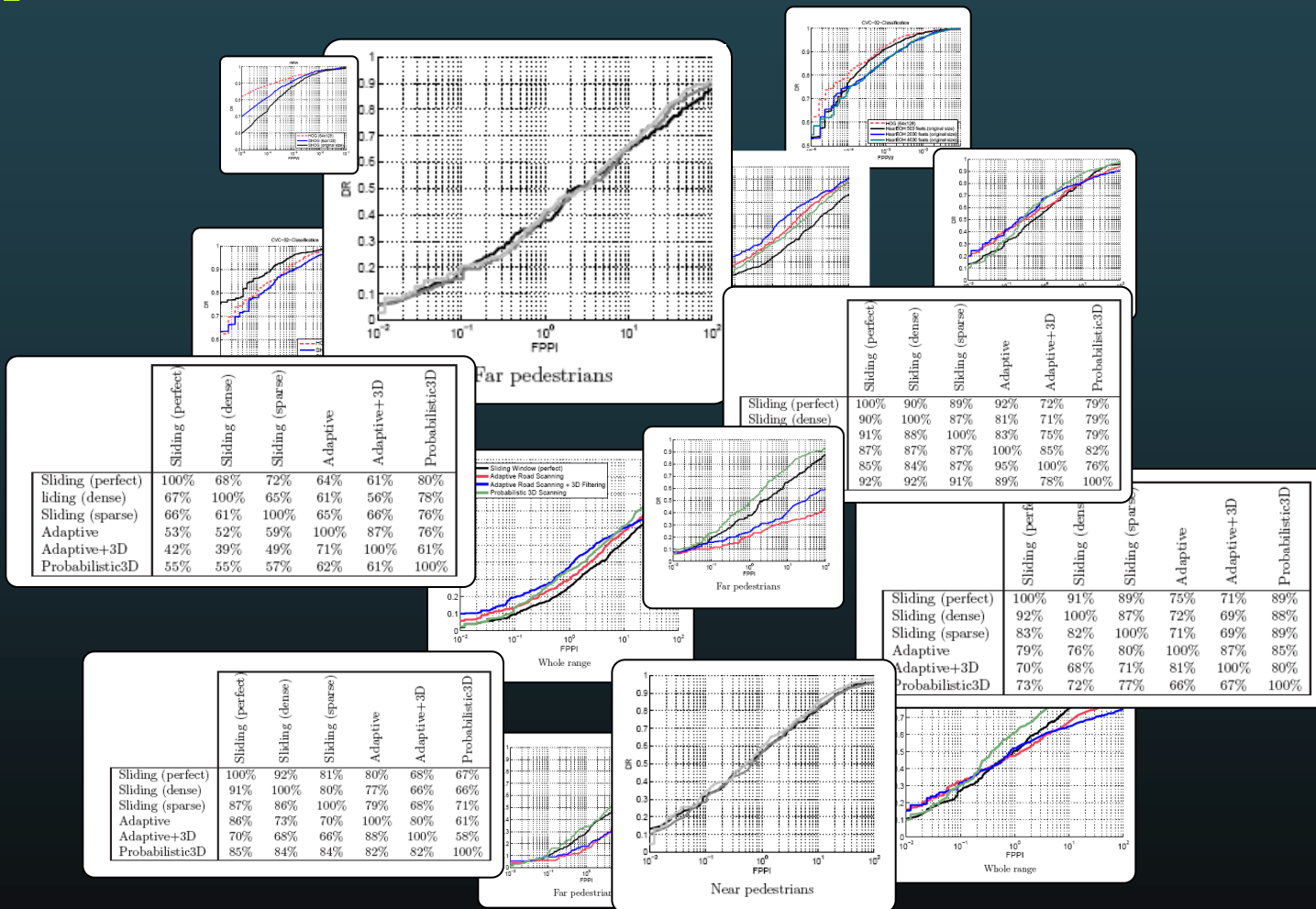
A study of classifiers

HaarEOH+AdaBoost



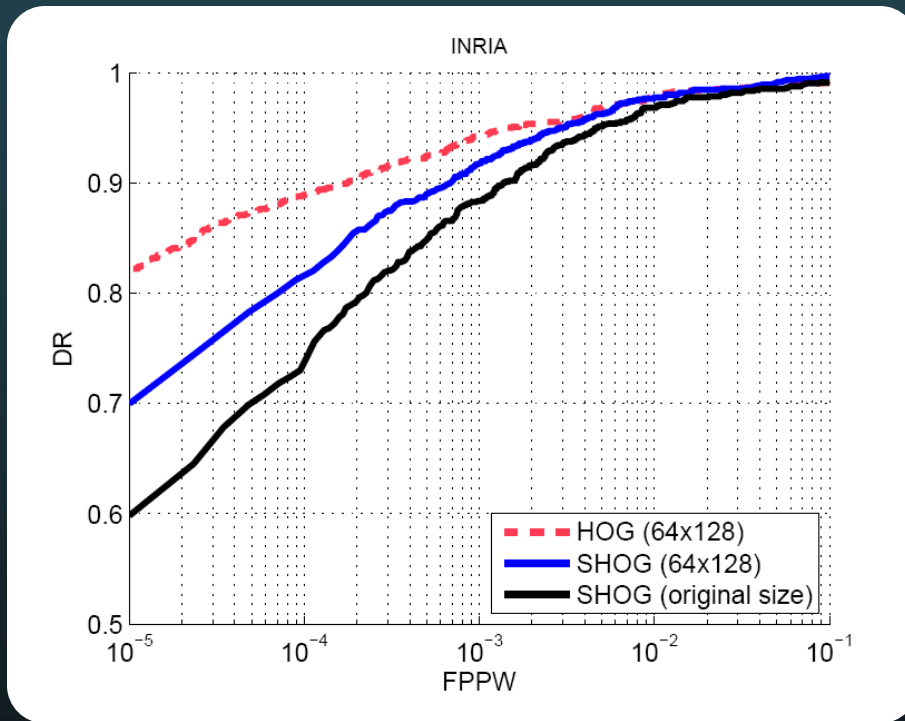
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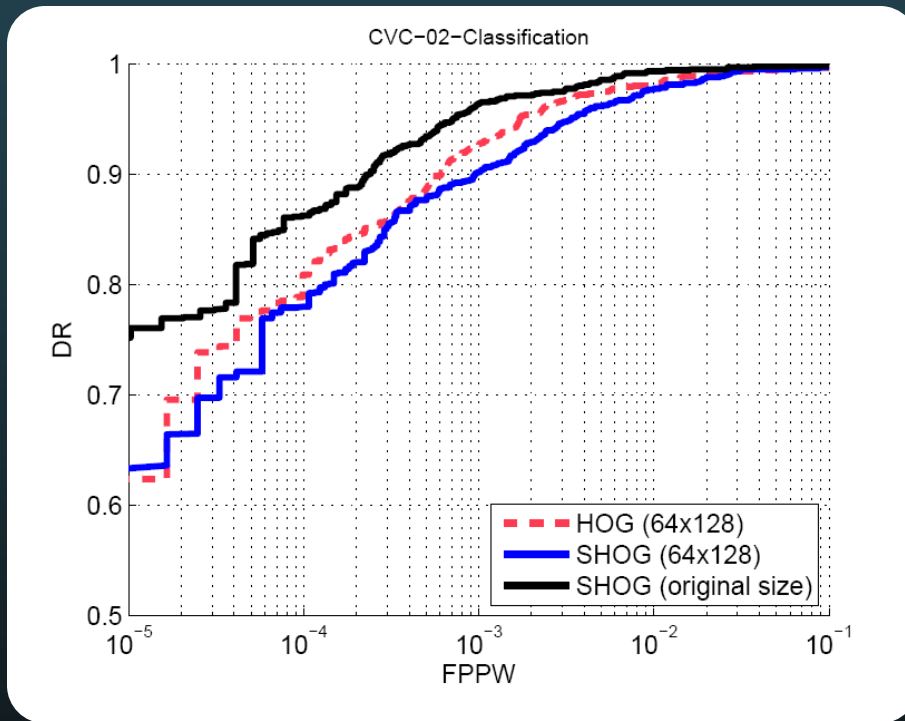


(detection rate vs false positive per window plot)

HOG outperforms SHOG
in INRIA dataset
(-13% DR at 10^{-4} FPPW)

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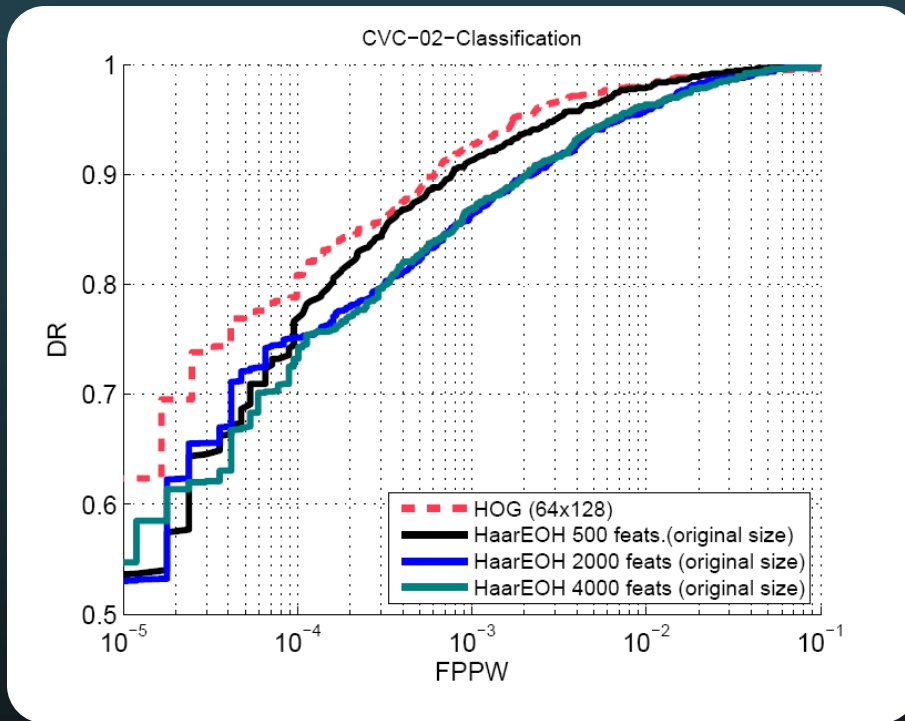
(detection rate vs false positive per window plot)

HOG outperforms SHOG
in INRIA dataset
(-13% DR at 10^{-4} FPPW)

SHOG outperforms HOG
in CVC-o2 dataset
(+5% DR at 10^{-4} FPPW)

Object Classification

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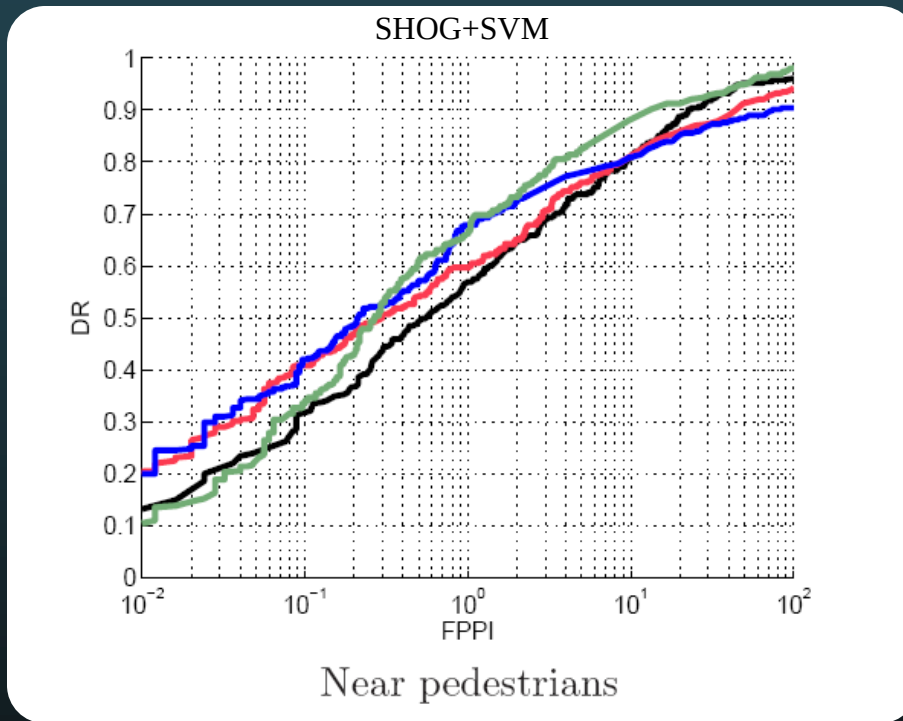
(detection rate vs false positive per window plot)

HOG outperforms HaarEOH
in CVC-02 dataset
(-3% DR at 10^{-4} FPPW)

More features in HaarEOH
gives poorer results
(-10% DR at 10^{-4} FPPW)

Object Classification

Experimental Results



(detection rate vs false positive per image plot)

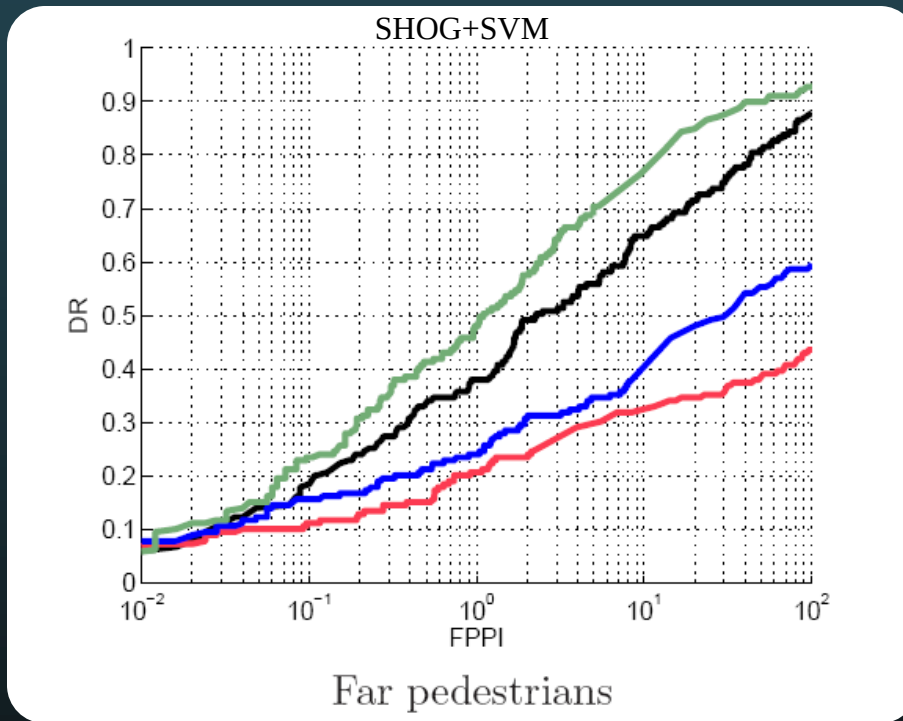
In the near range,
foreground segmentation
algorithms are similar,
although probabilistic and
adaptive+3D are better.
(happens in both classifiers)

- Sliding Window (perfect)
- Adaptive Road Scanning
- Adaptive Road Scanning + 3D Filtering
- Probabilistic 3D Scanning

(Foreground segmentation + Classification)

Object Classification

Experimental Results



(detection rate vs false positive per image plot)

In the far range,
probabilistic and sliding
window are the best.

(happens in both classifiers)

(+10..+20% DR at 10^0 FPPI)

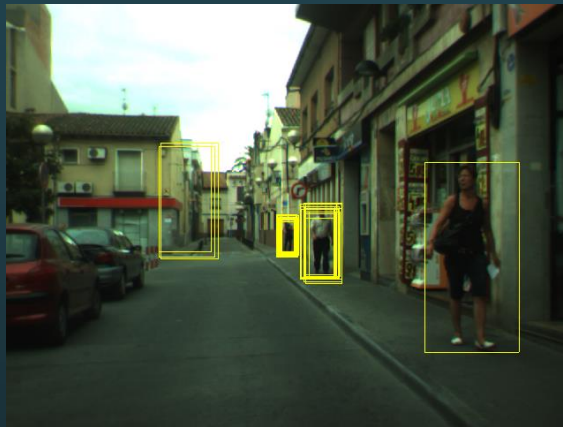
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SHOG



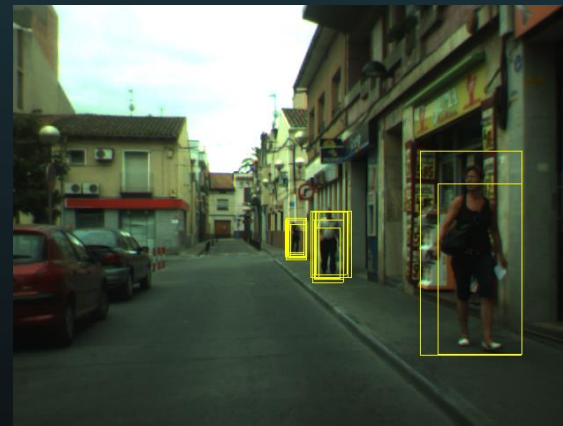
Sliding window



Adaptive road scanning



Adaptive road scanning + 3D



Probabilistic 3D

Object Classification

Experimental Results

HaarEOH



Sliding window



Adaptive road scanning



Adaptive road scanning + 3D



Probabilistic 3D

Object Classification

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SHOG



Sliding window



Adaptive road scanning



Adaptive road scanning + 3D



Probabilistic 3D

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HaarEOH



Sliding window



Adaptive road scanning



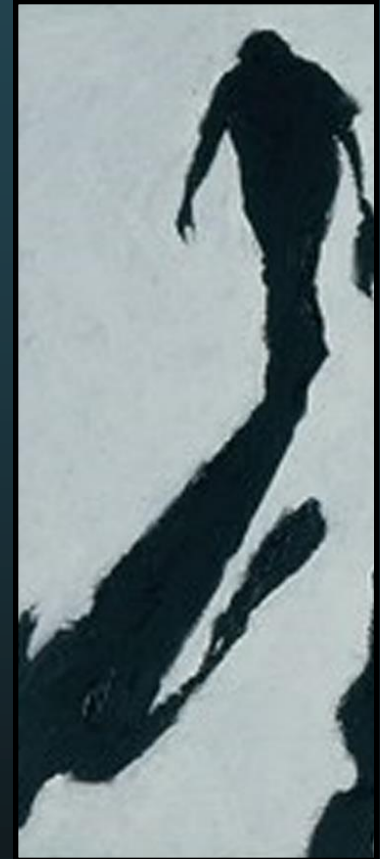
Adaptive road scanning + 3D



Probabilistic 3D

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Detections Refinement

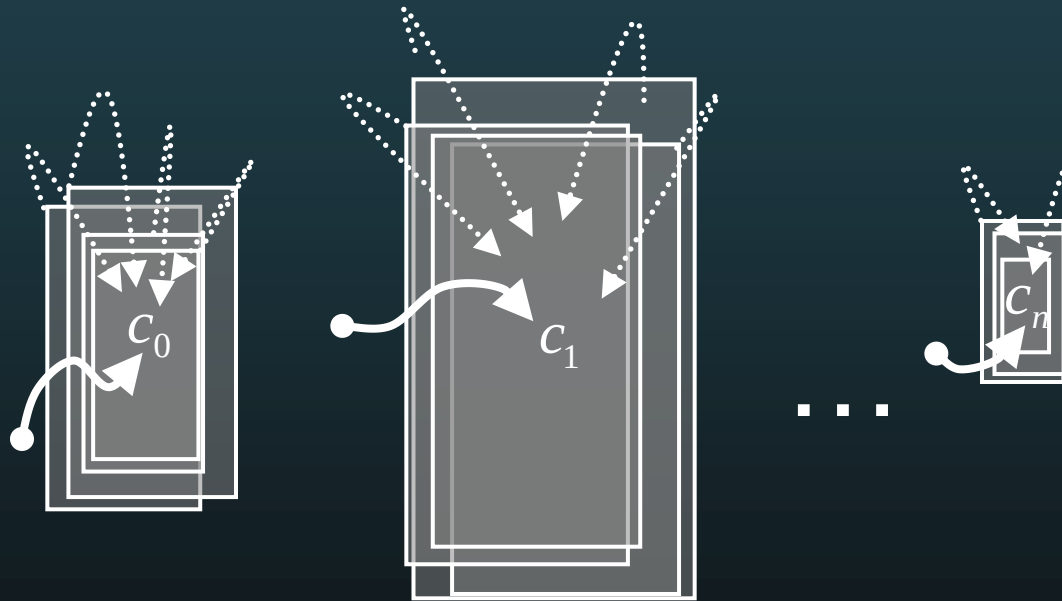
Contributions

- ✓ New clustering algorithm: accumulative.
- ✓ Clustering algorithms comparison, together with the other components of the system.
- ✓ Shape extraction method that does not require segmented models.

Detections Refinement

Detections clustering

Meanshift clustering

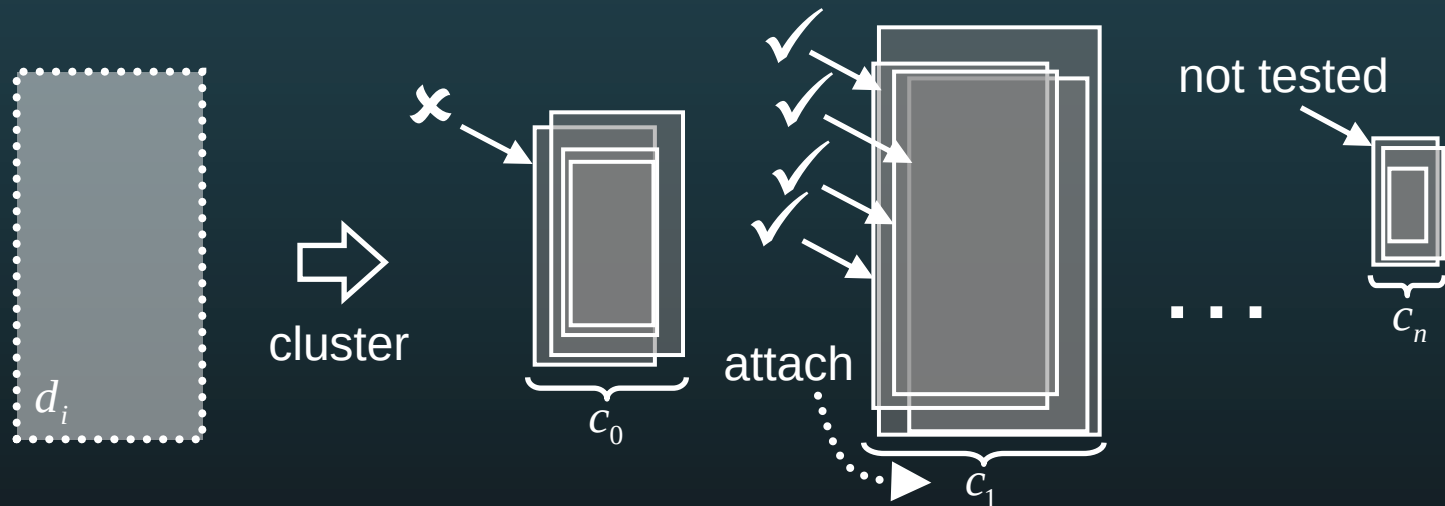


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Detections Refinement

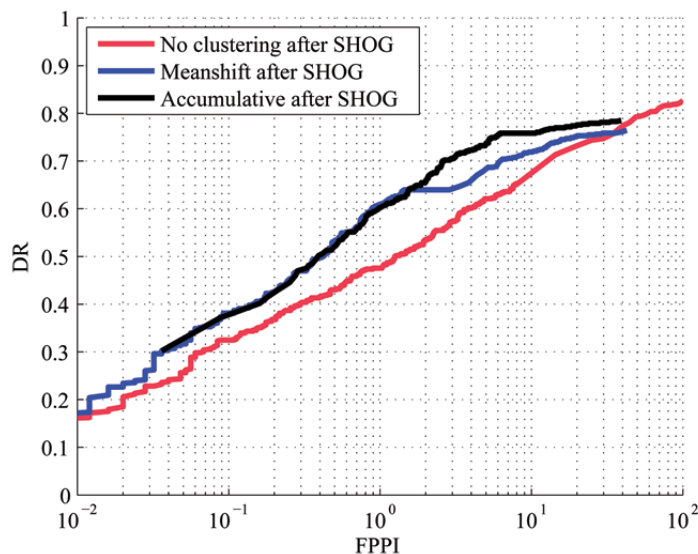
Detections clustering

Accumulative clustering



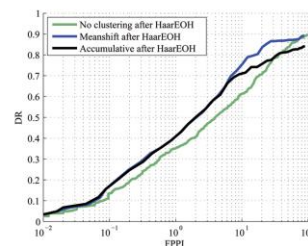
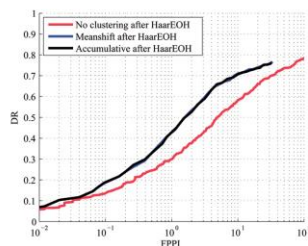
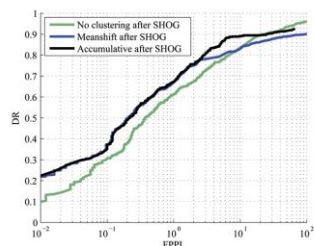
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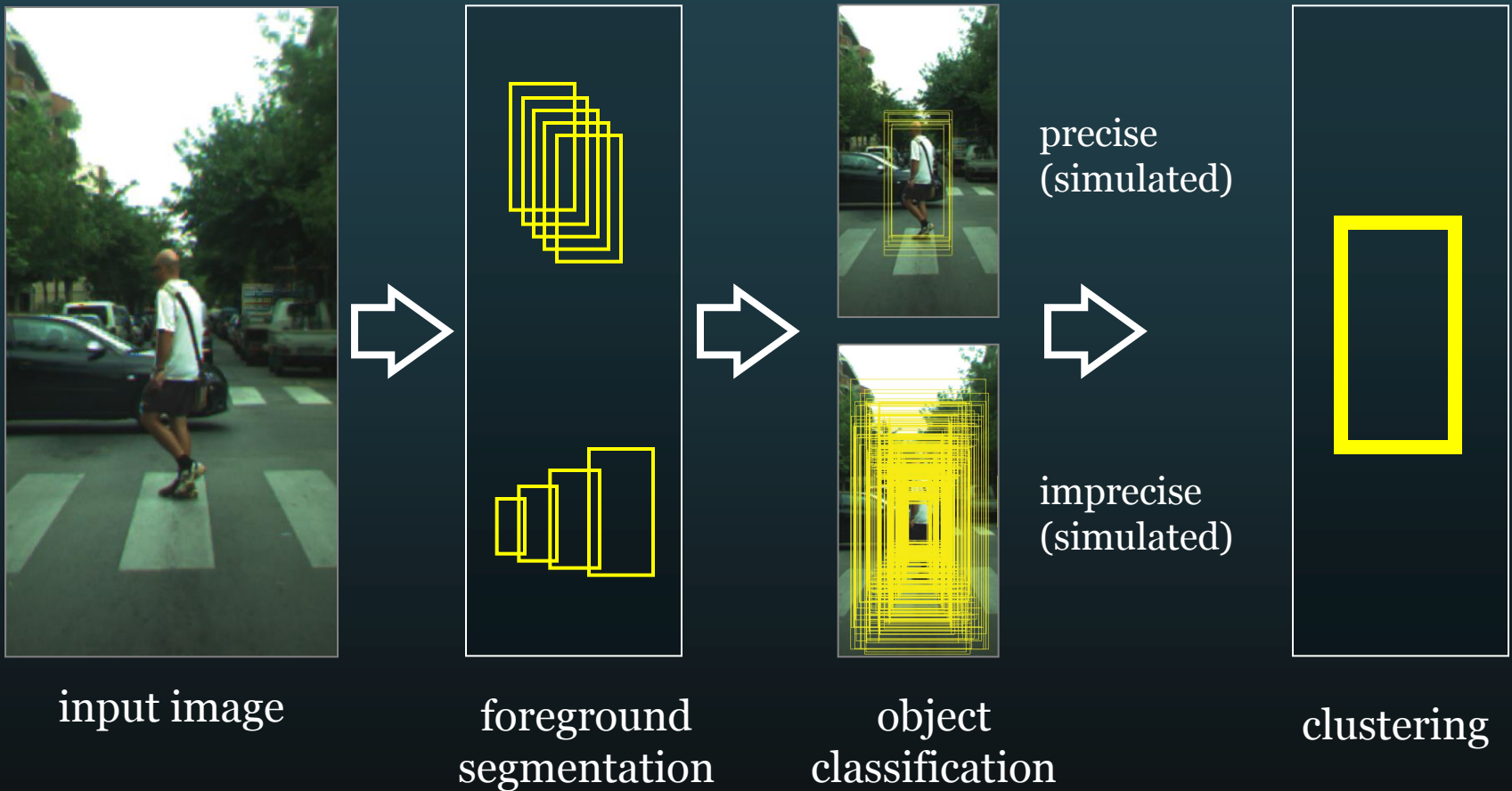
There is no significant difference between the algorithms performance.

But accumulative is 6 times faster than meanshift.



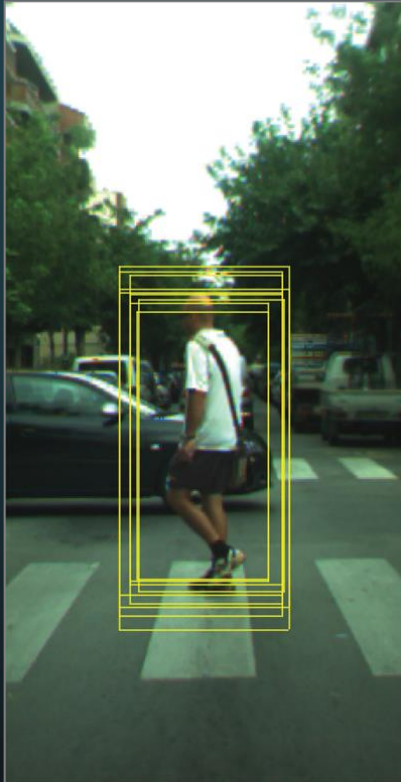
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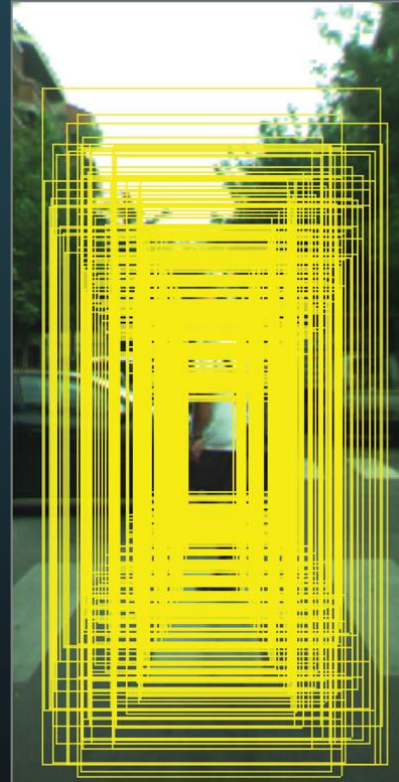


Detections Refinement

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precise
(simulated)

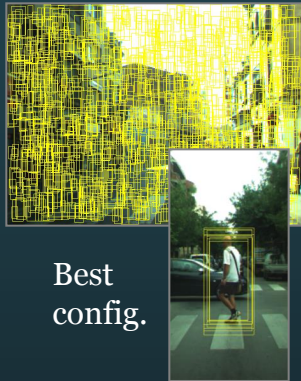


imprecise
(simulated)

Which is
the best?

Detections Refinement

Experimental Results



sliding window

	precise	Imprecise
precision	0.9195	0.8856
recall	0.9924	0.9792
f-measure	0.9545	0.9300

It depends: the clustering is affected both by the classifier and foreground segmentation.



adaptive road scanning

	precise	Imprecise
precision	0.9457	0.8695
recall	0.5924	0.9056
f-measure	0.7284	0.8871

Detections Refinement

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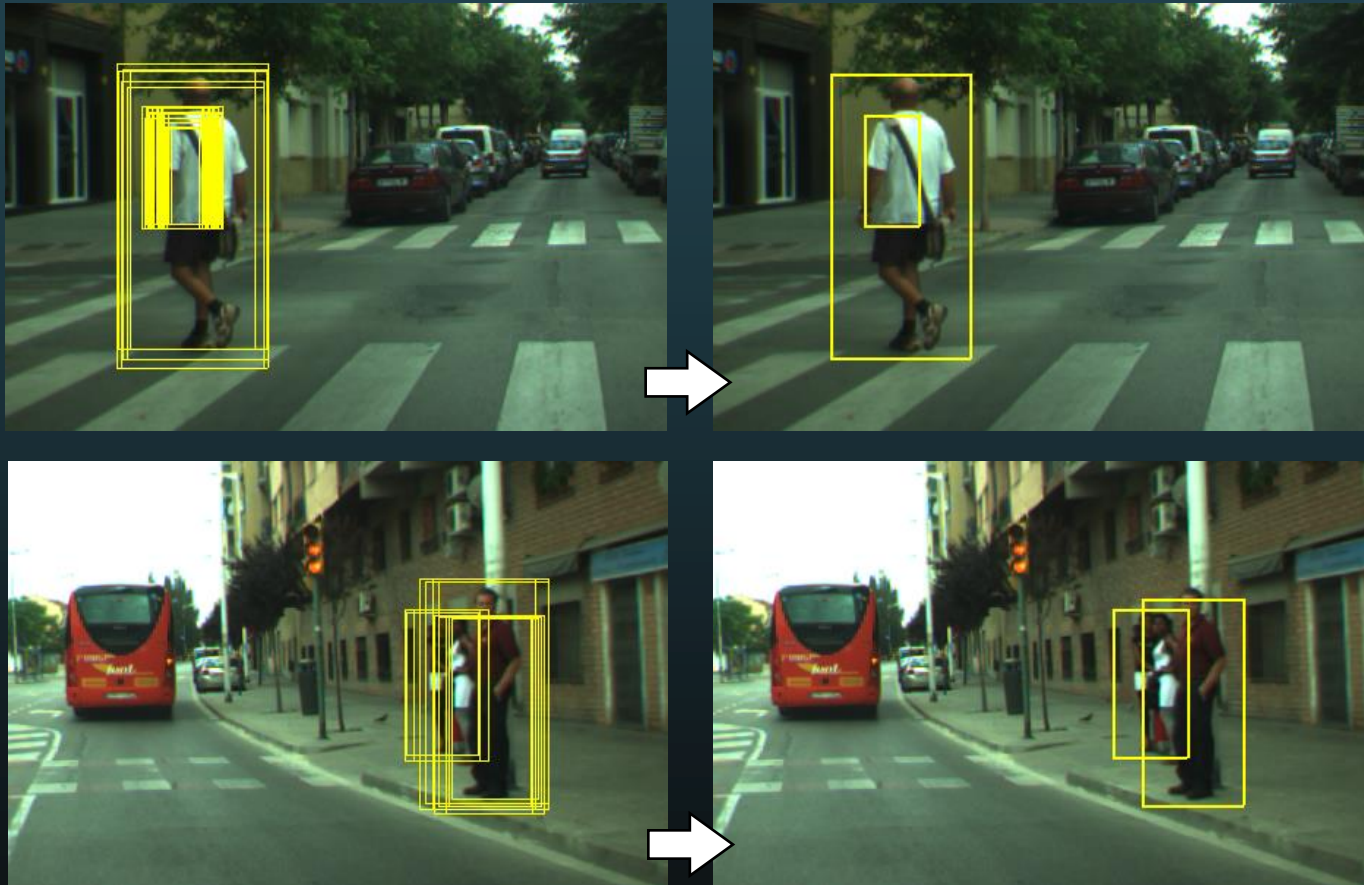
SHOG + Accumulative



Detections Refinement

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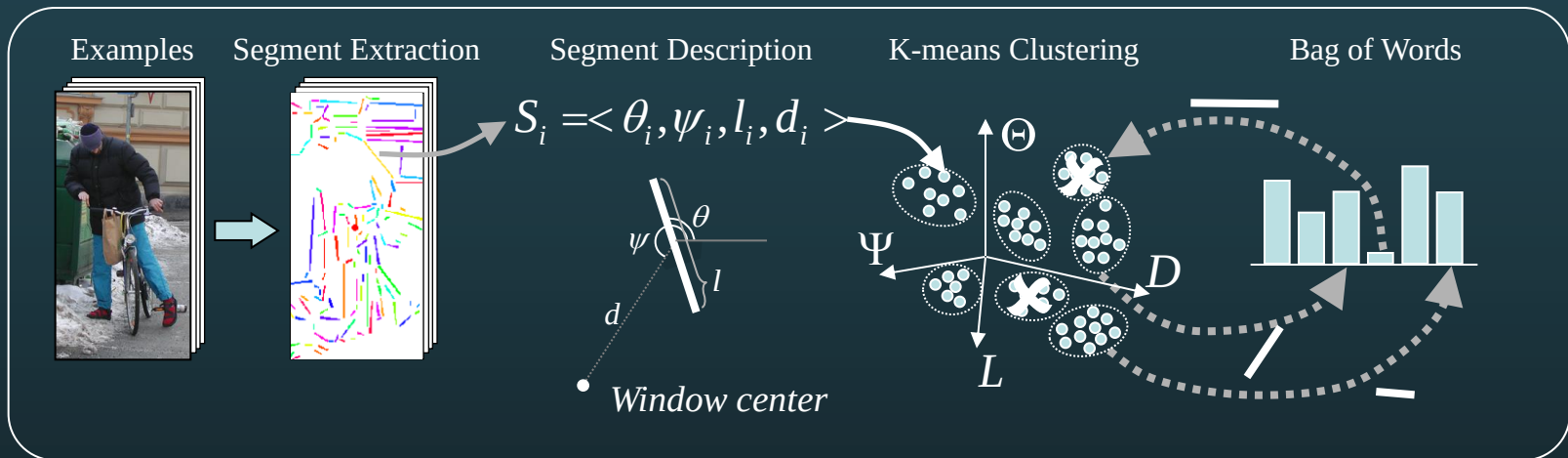
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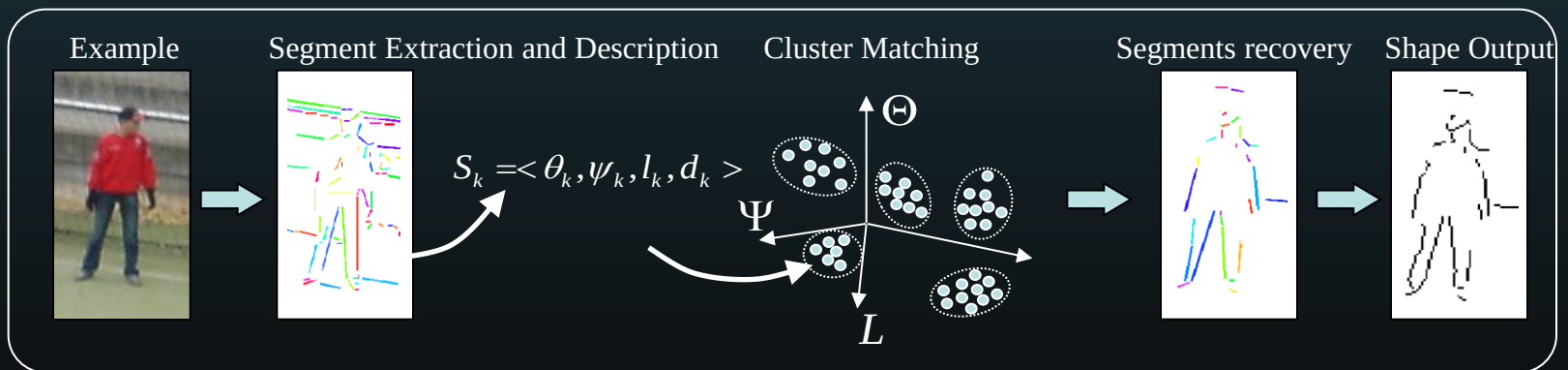
Detections Refinement

Shape extraction via non-explicit shape models

TRAIN

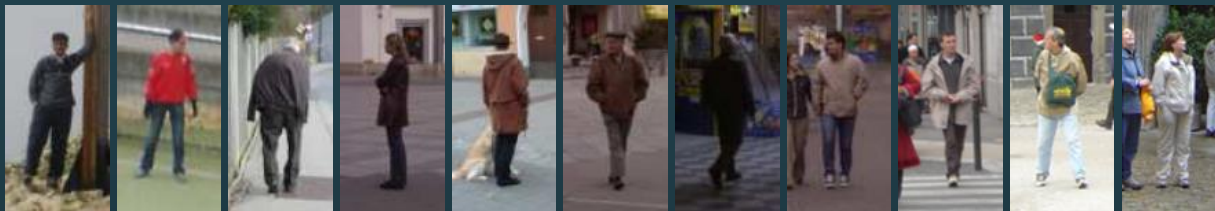


TEST



Detections Refinement

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Original detections



Algorithm output



Overlaid output and center of mass

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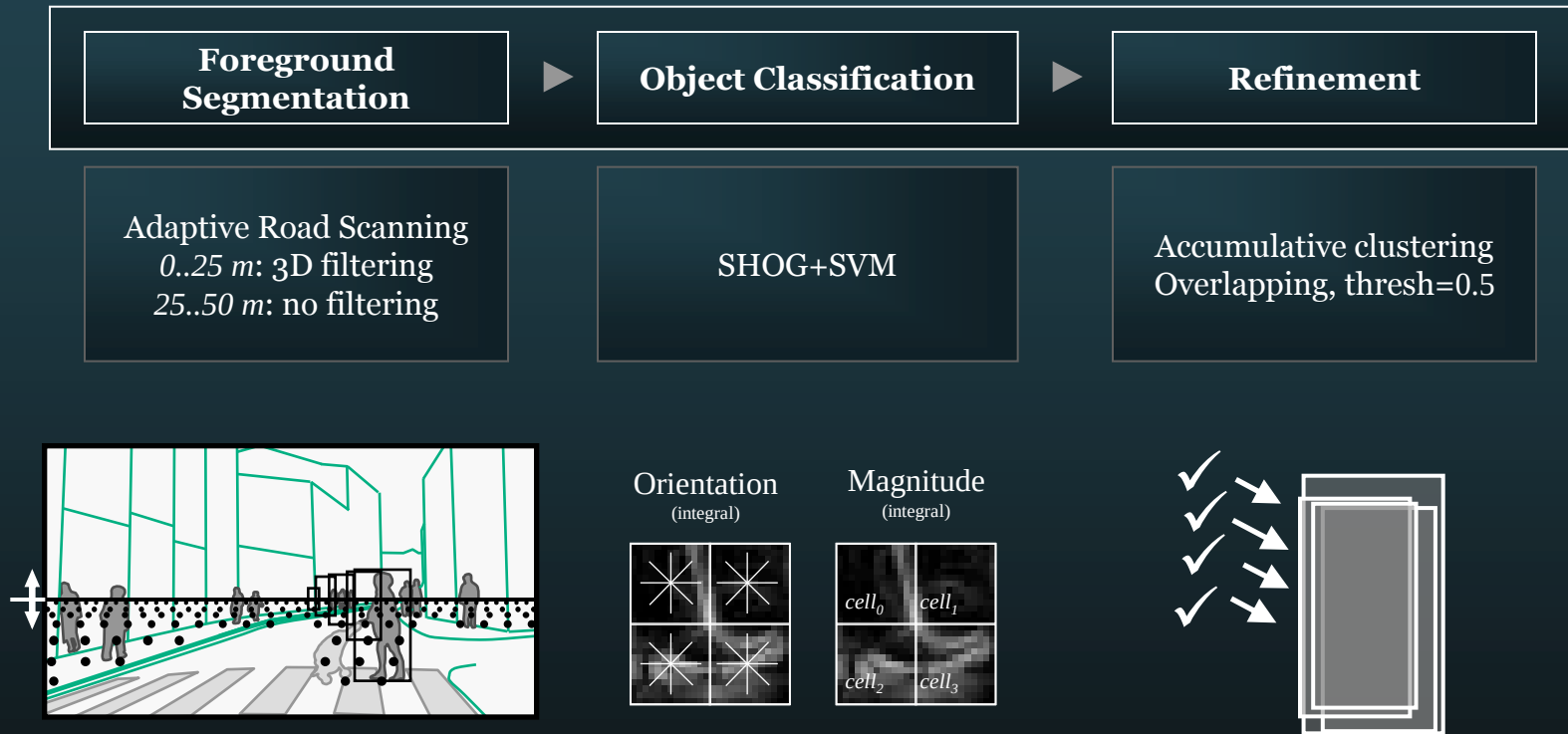
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Contributions

- ✓ Novel pedestrian detection system.
- ✓ New dataset of real complex urban scenarios.

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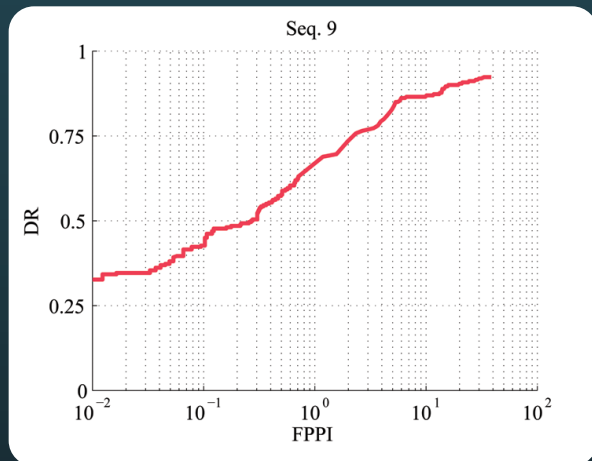
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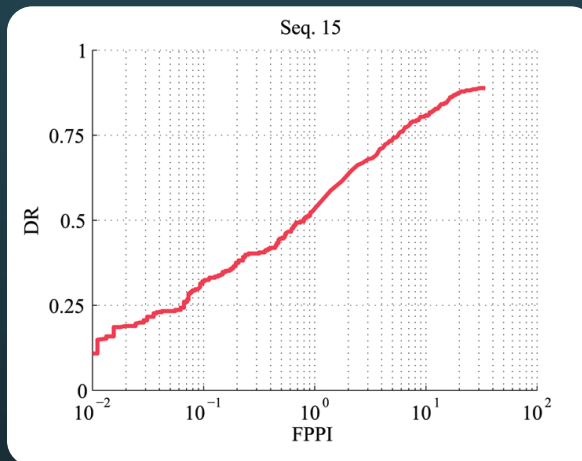
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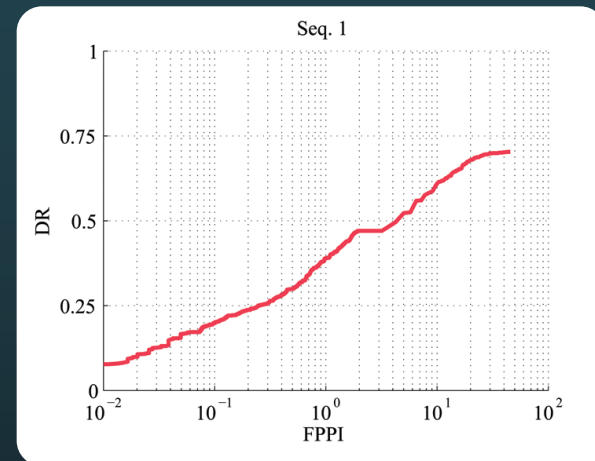
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High performance



Average performance



Low performance



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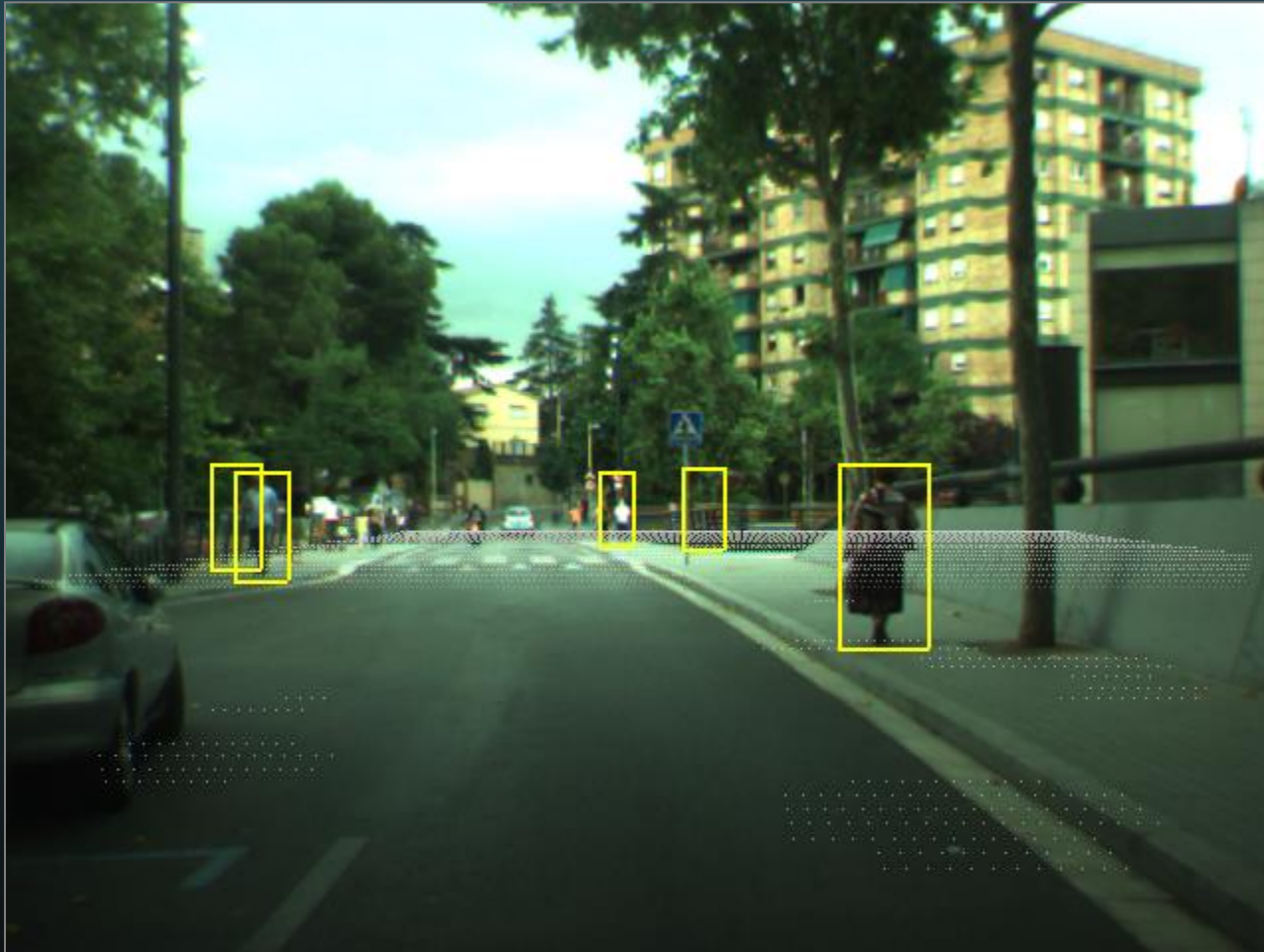
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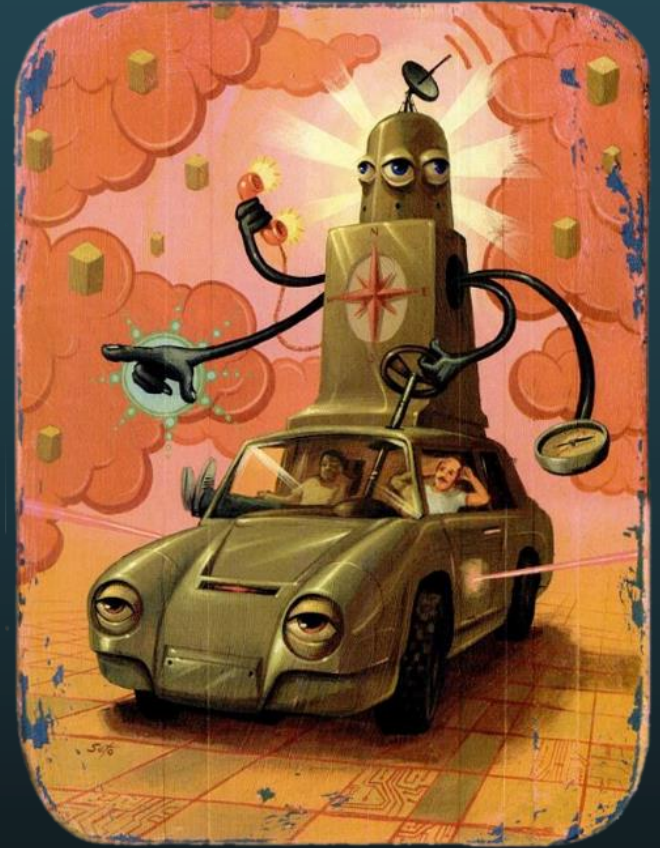
CVC-02 Pedestrian Dataset

<http://www.cvc.uab.es/adas/datasets>

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Future lines of research

- ✓ Keep improving foreground segmentation
- ✓ Incorporating new classification algorithms
- ✓ Add verification and tracking to the system
- ✓ Research unexplored problems (occlusions, nighttime, etc.)



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