

Object detection

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Announcements

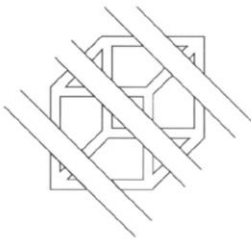
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Last time: Mid-level cues

Tokens beyond pixels and filter responses
but before object/scene categories

- Edges, contours
- Texture
- Regions
- Surfaces





Continuity, explanation by occlusion





Today

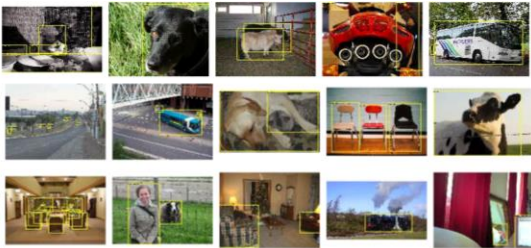
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Image classification challenge



ImageNet

Object detection challenge



PASCAL VOC

Recall: Window-based representations

Four landmark case studies



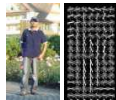
Boosting + face detection

Viola & Jones



NN + scene Gist classification

e.g., Hays & Efros



SVM + person detection

e.g., Dalal & Triggs



CNNs + image classification

e.g., Krizhevsky et al.

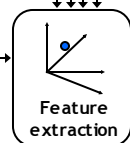
Recall: Window-based object detection

Training:

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

Given new image:

1. Slide window
2. Score by classifier



Car/non-car Classifier

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- What are the pros and cons of sliding window-based object detection?

Window-based detection: strengths

- Sliding window detection and global appearance descriptors:
 - Simple detection protocol to implement
 - Good feature choices critical
 - Past successes for certain classes

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Window-based detection: Limitations

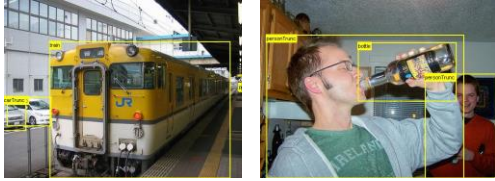
- High computational complexity
 - For example: 250,000 locations x 30 orientations x 4 scales = 30,000,000 evaluations!
 - If training binary detectors independently, means cost increases linearly with number of classes
- With so many windows, false positive rate better be low

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Limitations (continued)

- Not all objects are “box” shaped



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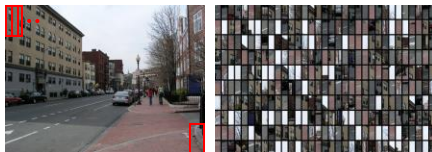
- Non-rigid, deformable objects not captured well with representations assuming a fixed 2d structure; or must assume fixed viewpoint
- Objects with less-regular textures not captured well with holistic appearance-based descriptions



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Limitations (continued)

- If considering windows in isolation, context is lost



Sliding window

Detector's view

Figure credit: Derek Hoiem

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Limitations (continued)

- In practice, often entails large, cropped training set (expensive)
- Requiring good match to a global appearance description can lead to sensitivity to partial occlusions



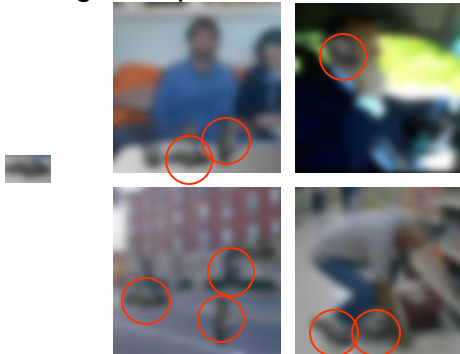
Image credit: Adam, Rivlin, & Shimshoni

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Beyond image classification: Issues in object detection

- How to perform localization?
- How to perform efficient search?
- How to represent non-box-like objects? non-texture-based objects? occluded objects?
- How to jointly detect multiple objects in a scene?
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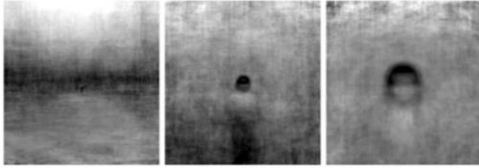
Challenges: importance of context



slide credit: Fei-Fei, Fergus & Torralba

Global scene context

Strong relationship between the background and the objects that can be found inside of it



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Given GIST descriptor, represent probability of

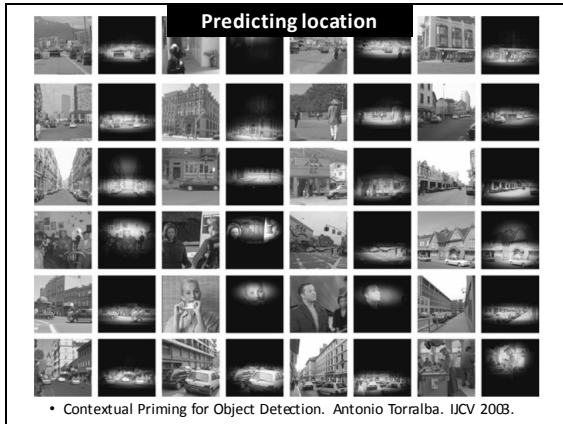
- Object being present
- Object being present at a given location/scale

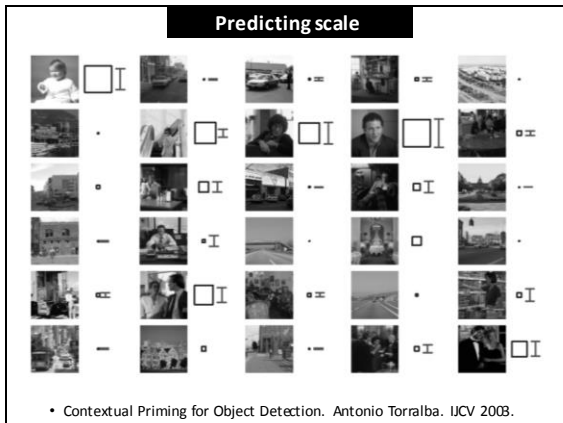
Provides a prior to detector that may help speed or accuracy

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• Video

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Beyond "window-based" object categories?

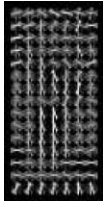


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Generic category recognition: representation choice



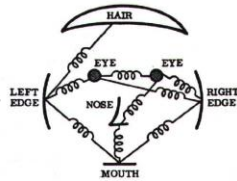
Window-based



Part-based

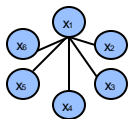
Part-based models

- Origins in Fischler & Elschlager 1973
- Model has two components
 - parts (2D image fragments)
 - structure (configuration of parts)



Shape/structure representation in part-based models

"Star" shape model



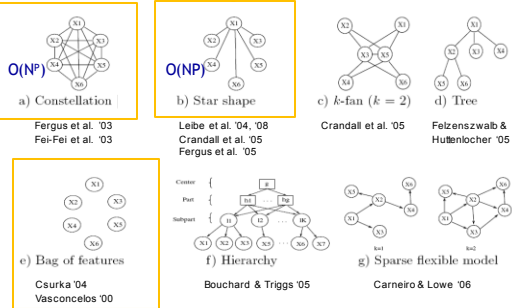
➢ Parts mutually independent

- Deformable parts model
.[Felzenszwalb et al.]
- Implicit shape model
.[Leibe et al.]
- Hough forest
.[Gall et al.]

N image features, P parts in the model

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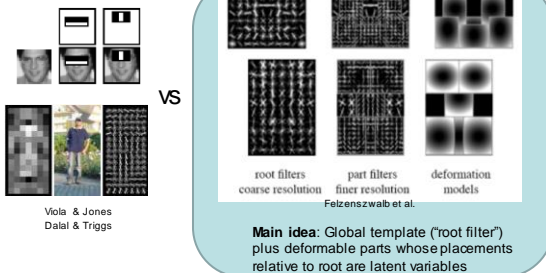
Spatial models: Connectivity and structure



from [Carneiro & Lowe, ECCV'06]

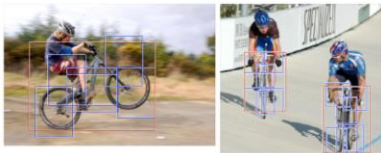
Deformable part model Felzenszwalb et al. 2008

- A hybrid window + part-based model



Deformable part model Felzenszwalb et al. 2008

- Mixture of deformable part models
- Each component has global template + deformable parts
- Fully trained from bounding boxes alone



Adapted from Felzenszwalb's slides at <http://people.cs.uchicago.edu/~pff/talks/>

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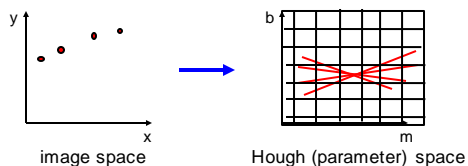
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Voting algorithms

- It's not feasible to check all combinations of features by fitting a model to each possible subset.
- **Voting** is a general technique where we let the features *vote for all models that are compatible with it.*
 - Cycle through features, cast votes for model parameters.
 - Look for model parameters that receive a lot of votes.
- Noise & clutter features will cast votes too, *but* typically their votes should be inconsistent with the majority of "good" features.

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Recall: Hough transform for line fitting

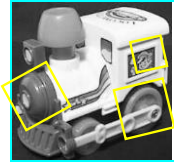


How can we use this to find the most likely parameters (m, b) for the most prominent line in the image space?

- Let each edge point in image space *vote* for a set of possible parameters in Hough space
- Accumulate votes in discrete set of bins; parameters with the most votes indicate line in image space.

Recall: Generalized Hough transform

- A hypothesis generated by a single match may be unreliable,
- So let each match **vote** for a hypothesis in Hough space



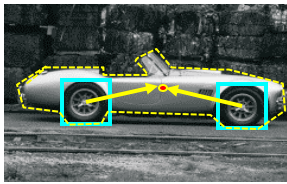
Model



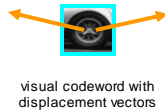
Novel image

Implicit shape models

- Visual vocabulary is used to index votes for object position [a visual word = "part"]



training image annotated with object localization info



visual codeword with displacement vectors

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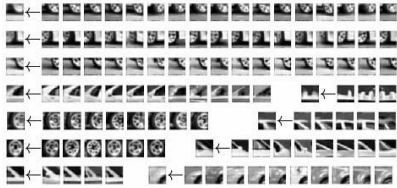


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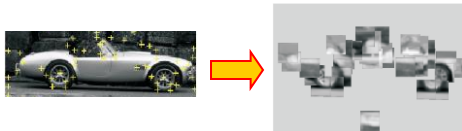
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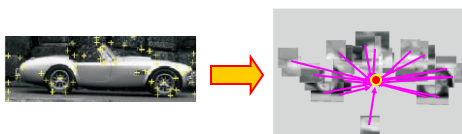
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3. For each word, store all positions it was found, relative to object center

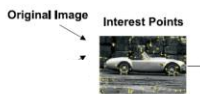


Implicit shape models: **Testing**

1. Given new test image, extract patches, match to vocabulary words
2. Cast votes for possible positions of object center
3. Search for maxima in voting space
4. (Extract weighted segmentation mask based on stored masks for the codebook occurrences)

What is the dimension of the Hough space?

Implicit shape models: **Testing**



Example: Results on Cows



Original image

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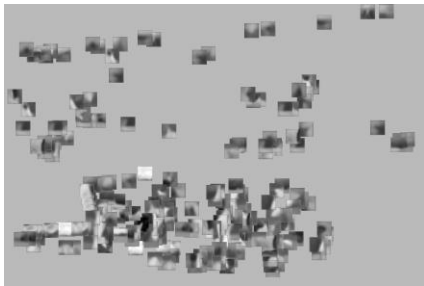
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Interest points

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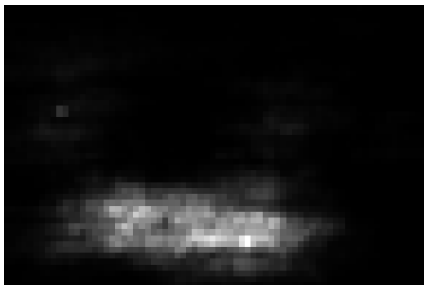
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Matched patches

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Example: Results on Cows



Votes

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1st hypothesis

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Example: Results on Cows



2nd hypothesis

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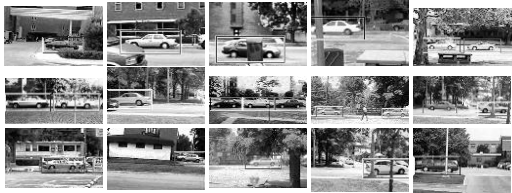
3rd hypothesis

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Detection Results

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



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Class-Specific Hough Forests for Object Detection



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Motivation: Hough Forests for object detection

- Parts of an object provide useful spatial information
- Classification of object parts (foreground/background)
- Combine spatial information and class information during learning

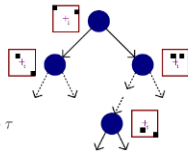
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Random Forest

- Image patch:

$$\mathcal{I}_i = (I_i^1, I_i^2, \dots, I_i^C)$$
- Binary tests:


$$t_{a,p,q,r,s,\tau}(\mathcal{I}) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } I^a(p, q) < I^a(r, s) + \tau \\ 1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
- Binary tests are selected during training from a random subset of all binary tests



Leaf nodes: contain training patches and displacement vectors

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Training

- Training set:
 

$$\mathcal{A} = \{\mathcal{P}_i = (\mathcal{I}_i, c_i, \mathbf{d}_i)\}$$
- Class information: c_i (class label)
- Spatial information: \mathbf{d}_i (relative position to object center)

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Binary Tests Selection

- Test with optimal split:

$$\operatorname{argmin}_k \left(U_{\star}(\{p_i | t^k(I_i)=0\}) + U_{\star}(\{p_i | t^k(I_i)=1\}) \right)$$
- Class-label uncertainty:

$$U_1(A) = |A| \cdot \text{Entropy}(\{c_i\})$$
- Offset uncertainty:

$$U_2(A) = \sum_{i:c_i=1} (d_i - d_A)^2$$
- Interleaved: Type of uncertainty is randomly selected for each node

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Leaves

Four scatter plots showing leaf classification results. Each plot has a 2D coordinate system (x from -50 to 50, y from -20 to 20) and a corresponding sequence of leaf images below it. The plots are labeled with C_L values: 0.78, 1.0, 0.89, and 0. The images show various leaf patterns and textures.

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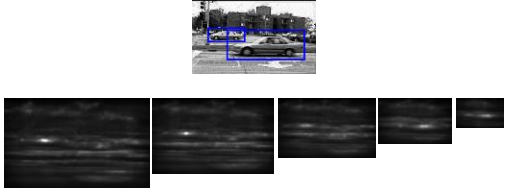
Detection

Two side-by-side images. The left image shows a person walking on a cobblestone path, with a green bounding box around them. The right image is a blurred version of the same scene, showing motion blur.

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Multi-Scale and Multi-Ratio

- Multi Scale: 3D Votes (x, y, scale)



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Comparison

Methods	UIUC-Single	UIUC-Multi
<i>Hough-based methods</i>		
Implicit Shape Model [10]	91%	—
ISM+verification [10]	97.5%	95%
Boundary Shape Model [17]	85%	—
<i>Random forest based method</i>		
LayoutCRF [27]	93%	—
<i>State-of-the-art</i>		
Mutch and Lowe CVPR'06 [15]	99.9%	90.6%
Lampert et al. CVPR'08 [9]	98.5%	98.6%
<i>Our approach</i>		
Hough Forest	98.5%	98.6%
HF - Weaker supervision	94.4%	—

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Pedestrians (INRIA)





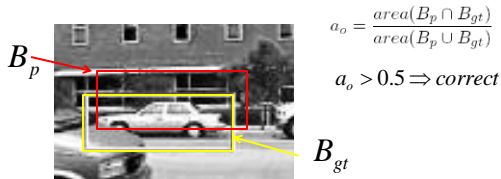
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Evaluating object detectors

- How accurately is the detector performing?
- What has the detector learned?

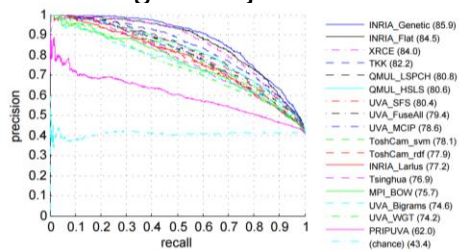
Scoring a sliding window detector



We'll say the detection is correct (a "true positive") if the intersection of the bounding boxes, divided by their union, is > 50%.

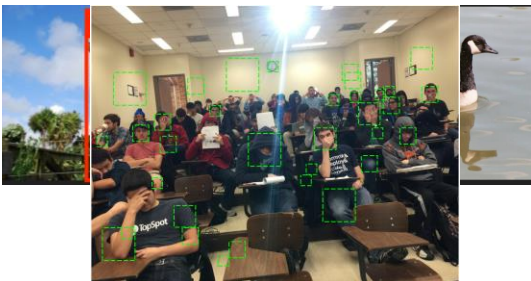
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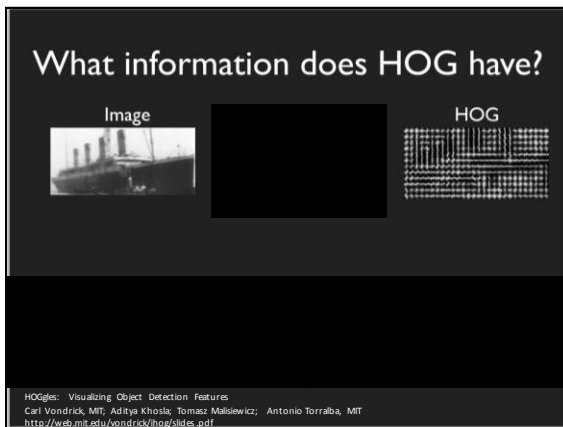
- If the detector can produce a *confidence score* on the detections, then we can plot its precision v.s. recall as a threshold on the confidence is varied.
- **Average Precision (AP)**: mean precision across recall levels.

Understanding classifier mistakes

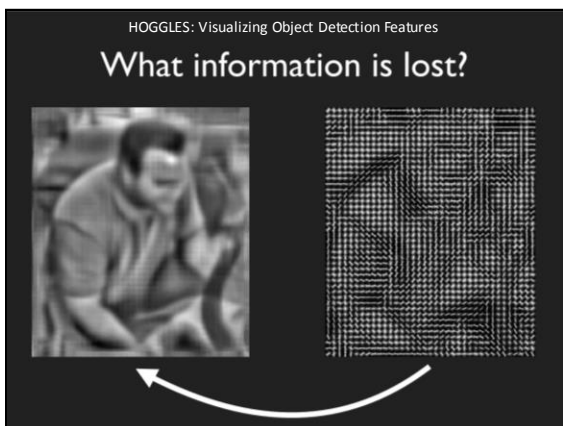




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HOGgles: Visualizing Object Detection Features

What information is lost?

HOGGLES: Visualizing Object Detection Features

Method: Paired Dictionary

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A microscope to view HOG

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Human Vision

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