

Regionlets for Generic Object Detection

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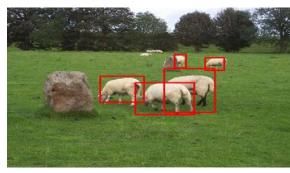
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Generic object detection

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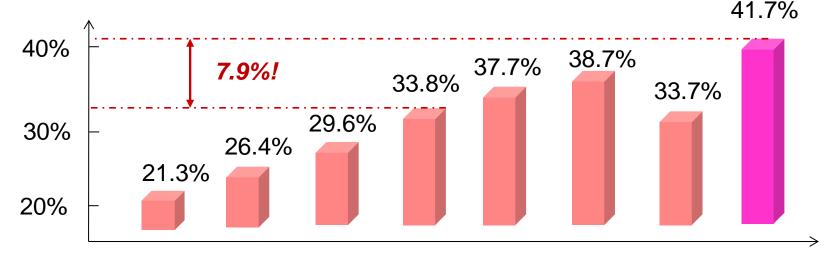
Train

Sheep



Potted plant

Performance evolution on the PASCAL VOC 2007 object detection dataset(mean AP)



$2008^1 \quad 2009^2 \quad 2010^3 \quad 2011^4 \quad 2011^5 \quad 2013^6 \quad 2013^7$

1. P. Felzenszwalb, et. al. A Discriminatively Trained, Multiscale, Deformable Part Model, CVPR 2008

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- 3. L. Zhu, et. al. Latent hierarchical structural learning for object detection. CVPR 2010.
- 4. K. E. A. Van de Sande, et. al. Segmentation as selective search for object recognition. ICCV 2011
- 5. Z. Song, et. al. Contextualizing object detection and classification. CVPR, 2011
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The two representative object detection frameworks

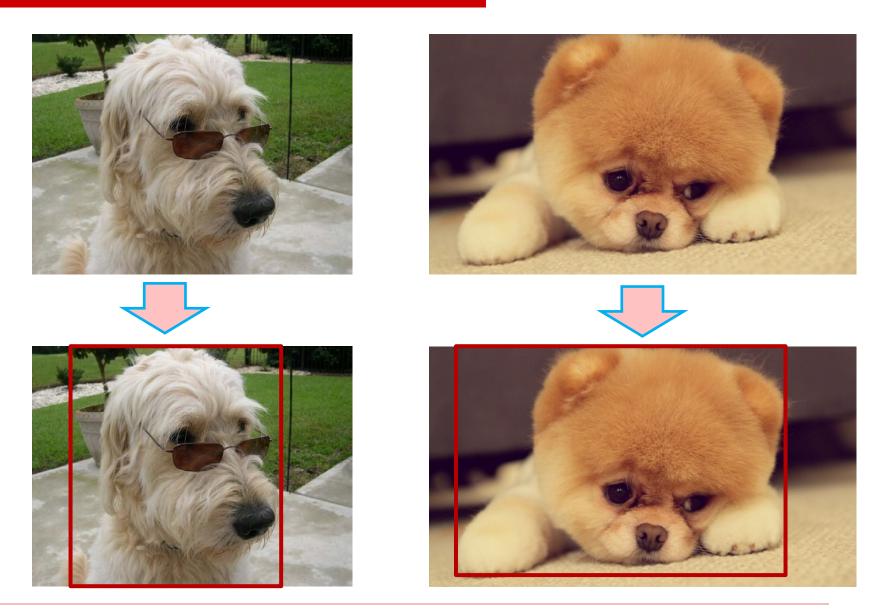


41.7%

- (1) Scanning window with Deformable Partbased Model (DPM)
- (2) Selective Search with Spatial Pyramid Matching (SS_SPM)
- (3) Regionlets (No deep CNN feature yet 😬

Object Detection





Review: Feature extraction







□ Feature design

- HOG
- SIFT, and many others...
- Feature extraction
 - Densely extracted over N x N pixel cells

Review: Deformation handling







- Deformable Part-based Model (DPM)
 - Specify the number of deformable parts
- Spatial Pyramid Matching
 - Specify the number of pyramids to build



Do we have to pre-define model parameters to handle different degrees of deformation?

Review: Multi scales/viewpoints



DPM

- Resize an image to detect objects at a fixed scale
- Multiple models, each deals with one viewpoint
- Spatial Pyramid Matching
 - No need to resize the image
 - One model, a codebook is used to encode features
- Can we learn a model that can be easily adapted to arbitrary scales and viewpoints?

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Motivation



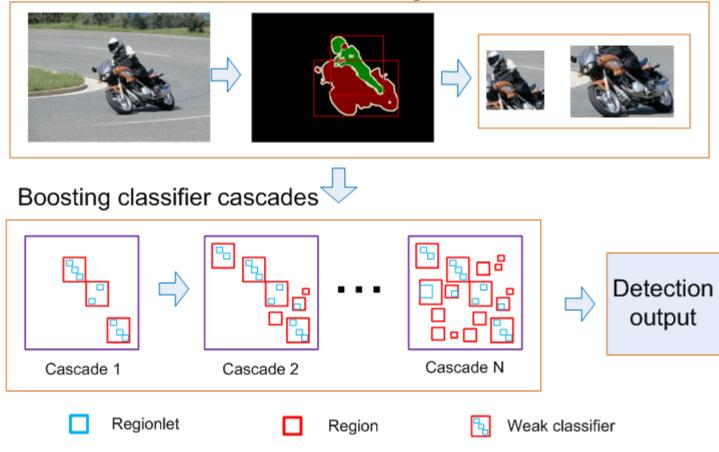
- Motivation: A flexible and general object-level representation with
 - Hassle free deformation handling
 - Arbitrary scales and aspect ratio handling



Detection framework



Generate candidate detection bounding boxes^{1,2}



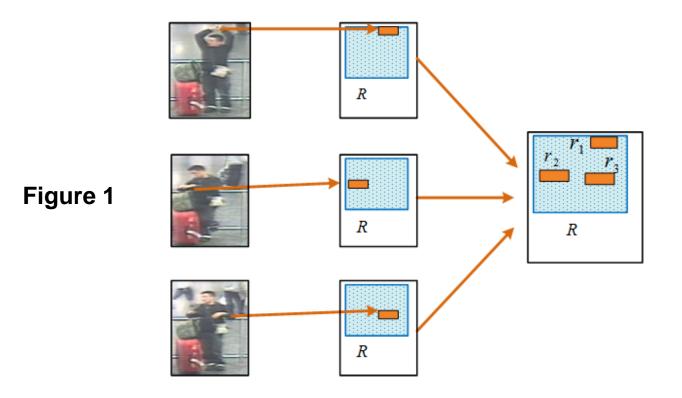
1. K. E. A. Van de Sande, et. al. Segmentation as selective search for object recognition. ICCV 2011

2. B. Alexe , et. al. Measuring the objectness of image windows. PAMI 2012

Regionlet: Definition



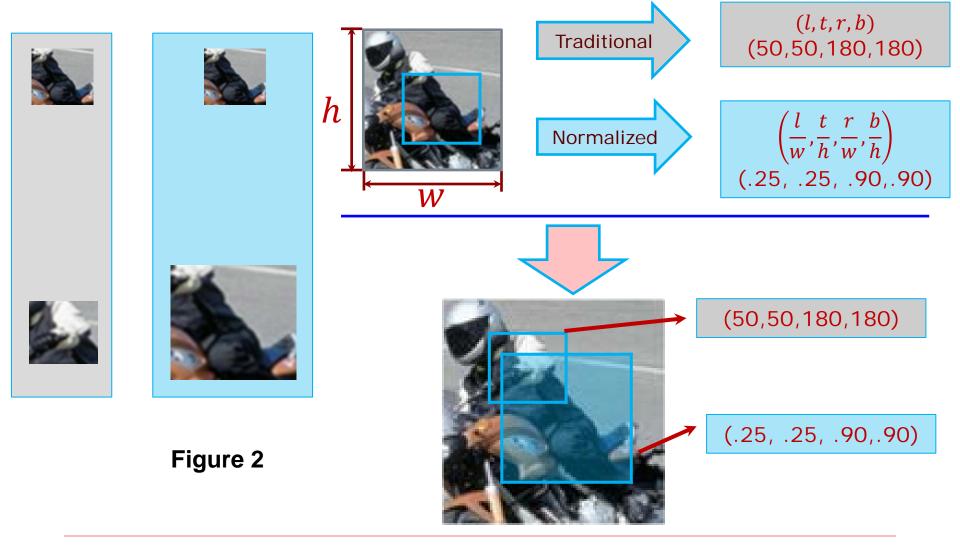
- **Region**(R): Feature extraction region
- □ Regionlet(r_1 , r_2 , r_3): A sub-region in a feature extraction area whose position/resolution are relative and normalized to a detection window



Regionlet: Definition(cont.)

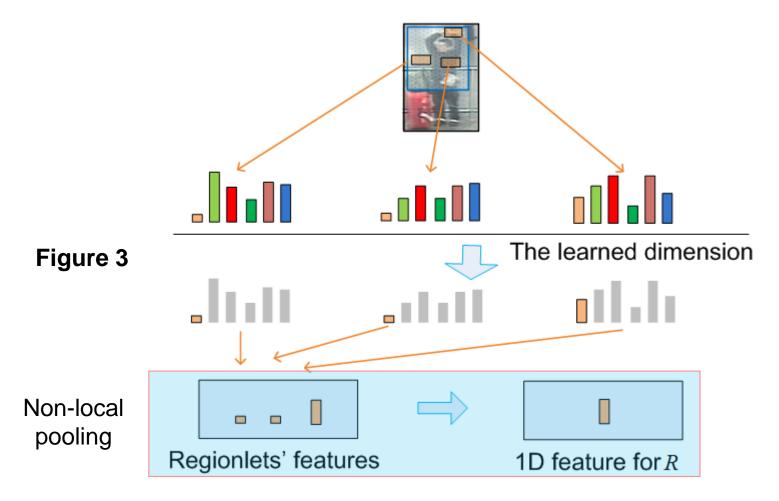


□ Relative normalized position



Regionlet: Feature extraction





Could be SIFT, HOG, LBP, Covariance features, whatever feature your like!

Regionlets: Training

- Constructing the regions/regionlets pool
 - Small region, fewer regionlets -> fine spatial layout
 - Large region, more regionlets -> robust to deformation
- □ Learning realBoost¹ cascades
 - 16K region/regionlets candidates for each cascade
 - Learning of each cascade stops when the error rate is achieved (1% for positive, 37.5% for negative)
 - Last cascade stops after collecting 5000 weak classifiers
 - Result in 4-7 cascades
 - 2-3 hours to finish training one category on a 8-core machine

1. C. Huang, et. al. Boosting nested cascade detector for multi-view face detection. ICPR, 2004.



- □ No image resizing
- Any scale, any aspect ratio
- Adapt the model size to the same size as the object candidate bounding box



Regionlet based model

Applied to candidate boxes



Datasets

- PASCAL VOC 2007, 2010
 - □ 20 object categories
- ImageNet Large Scale Object Detection Dataset
 - □ 200 object categories
- Investigated Features
 - HOG
 - LBP
 - Covariance
 - Deep Convolutional Neural Network (DCNN) feature (only for the ImageNet challenge)

Experiments: PASCAL VOC

Table 1. Performance on the PASCAL VOC 2007 dataset (Evaluated using Average Precision or mean Average Precision: mAP, no DCNN feature, no outside data)

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|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| DPM [12] ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SS_SPM [25] ² | 43.5 | 46.5 | 10.4 | 12.0 | 9.3 | 49.4 | 53.7 | 39.4 | 12.5 | 36.9 | 42.2 | 26.4 | 47.0 | 52.4 | 23.5 | 12.1 | 29.9 | 36.3 | 42.2 | 48.8 | 33.8 |
| Objectness [3] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Regionlets-S | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Regionlets-M | 54.2 | 52.0 | 20.3 | 24.0 | 20.1 | 55.5 | 68.7 | 42.6 | 19.2 | 44.2 | 49.1 | 26.6 | 57.0 | 54.5 | 43.4 | 16.4 | 36.6 | 37.7 | 59.4 | 52.3 | 41.7 |

| | | VOC 2007 | VOC 2010 | Results year |
|---|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | DPM(WC) [12] | 35.4 | 33.4 | 2008 |
| | UCI_2009 [7] | 27.1 | N/A | 2009 |
| | INRIA_2009 [13] | 28.9 | N/A | 2009 |
| | NLPR(WC) [10] | N/A | 36.8 | 2010 |
| | MITUCLA(WC) [10] | N/A | 36.0 | 2010 |
| | UVA [10] | N/A | 32.9 | 2010 |
| 1 | MIT_2010 [31] | 29.6 | N/A | 2010 |
| | Song et al. (WC) [23] | 37.7 | 36.8 | 2011 |
| | Li et al. (WC) [18] | 35.2 | N/A | 2011 |
| | SS_SPM [25] | 33.8 | 34.1 | 2011 |
| | Cinbis et al. (WC) [5] | 35.0 | N/A | 2012 |
| | Ours (Regionlets) | 41.7 | 39.7 | 2013 |

Table 2: Performance comparison with state of the art

ImageNet Challenge

| Methods | mAP |
|---|---------------------------|
| UvA-EuVision | 22.6% (with DCNN feature) |
| Regionlets with deep features ⁽¹⁾ | 20.9% (with DCNN feature) |
| Regionlets without deep features ⁽²⁾ | 19.6% (no DCNN feature) |
| OverFeat-NYU | 19.4% (DCNN) |
| Toronto A | 11.2% (N/A) |
| SYSU_Vision | 10.5% (N/A) |

(1) The result of using only a single method and single set of parameters, no context. No combining!

(2) The result of using traditional features only – no DCNN features were used.

Check our presentation at the ILSVRC2013 workshop for more details!

- 0.2 second per image using a single core if candidate bounding boxes are given, real time(>30 frames per second) using 8 cores
- 2 seconds per image to generate candidate bounding boxes
- 2-3 hours to finish training one category on a 8-core machine

Conclusions

- □ A new object representation for object detection
 - Non-local max-pooling of regionlets
 - Relative normalized locations of regionlets
 - Flexibility to incorporate various types of features
- A principled data-driven detection framework, effective in handling deformation, multiple scales, multiple viewpoints
- Superior performance with a fast running speed