



Improved Robustness and Efficiency for Automatic Visual Site Monitoring

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Commercial and Transportation Applications

- Efficiency
 - What are the traffic bottlenecks?
 - How can we coordinate arrival schedules to minimize congestion?
- Marketing
 - How do in-store marketing campaigns effect behavior?
 - Are shoppers stopping at the sales booth?
- Loss prevention
 - How can we detect customer theft?
 - How can we detect employee theft?

Security Applications

- Threat detection
 - Unauthorized access
 - Violence
 - **Theft**
 - Tailing
 - **Loitering**
 - Sudden widespread panic
- **Recognition**
 - Is this person authorized?
 - Is this a “wanted” person?
- **Activity understanding**
 - *What are the common traffic patterns?*
 - How can we deploy security resources more effectively?

Applications & Typical Scenes



Automatic Site Monitoring Pipeline

Detection

Tracking

Analysis

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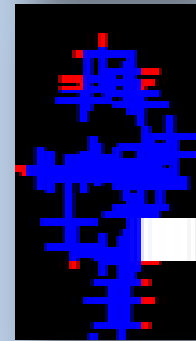
Analysis



Background Subtraction

Feature Points

Strong Model (HOG)



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 - Stauffer and Grimson, *CVPR* 1999.
 - Boykov, Veksler, and Zabih, *PAMI* 2001.
 - Mittal and Paragios, *CVPR* 2004.
 - Sheikh and Shah, *CVPR* 2005.
 - **Dalley, Migdal, and Grimson, *WACV* 2008.**
- Feature points
 - Shi and Tomasi, *CVPR* 1994.
- Strong models
 - Gavrila, *ECCV* 2000.
 - Leibe, Seeman, and Schiele, *CVPR* 2005.
 - Dalal and Triggs, *CVPR* 2005.
 - Zhu, Yeh, Cheng, and Avidan, *CVPR* 2006.
 - Wojek, Dorkó, Schulz, and Schiele, *DAGM* 2008.

Automatic Site Monitoring Pipeline

Detection

- **Kalman filter**
- **Meanshift**
- ...

Tracking

Analysis



Time windowing: for rendering purposes only

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- Identifying individual people
 - Phillips *et al.* *ICPR* 2002.
 - Sundaresan, Roy-Chowdhury, and Chellapa, *ICIP* 2003.
 - **Lee, Dalley, and Tieu, *ICCV* 2003.**
 - Veeraraghavan, Roy-Chowdhury, and Chellappa, *PAMI* 2005.
- Recognize events (loitering, theft, etc.)
 - Ivanonv and Bobick, *PAMI* 2000.
 - Vu, Bremond, and Thonnat, *ECAI* 2002.
 - PETS 2006 and PETS 2007 workshops (many papers)
 - **Dalley, Wang, and Grimson, *PETS* 2007.**
- ***Model flow patterns and site usage***
 - Stauffer, *CVPR* 1999.
 - Andrade, Blunsden, and Fisher, *ICPR* 2006.
 - Wang, Ma, and Grimson, *CVPR* 2007.
 - Wang *et al.*, *CVPR* 2008.

Thesis Contributions

- Background subtraction
 - Waving trees, rippling water *5.5% drop in false positive rate*
- **Large-scale monitoring**
 - **Clustering of path segments**
 - **Dalal and Triggs on a GPU** *Up to 76x faster than CPU*
- Gait recognition
 - Model-based silhouettes *6%—44% boost in recognition rates*
- Event detection
 - Integrated detection and tracking *Only system to complete the PETS 2007 challenge*

This talk...



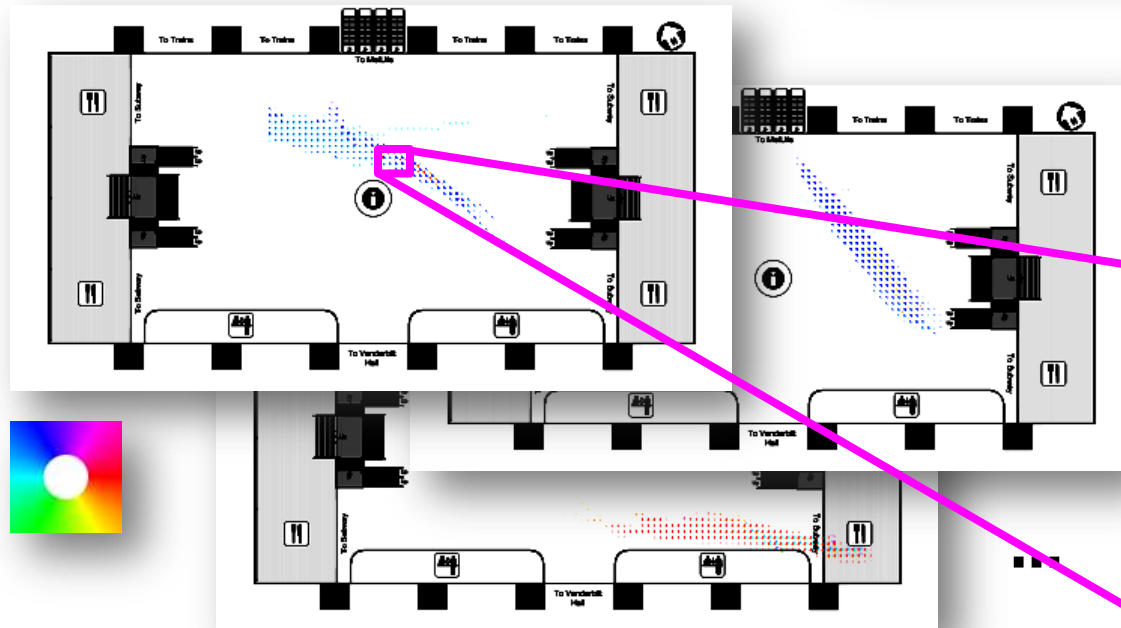
High-res Video

*fast
detection*



Detections

good tracks



Site Activity Model

Outline

- Motivation
- Activity model overview
- Weak model detectors
- Strong model detector
- Data parallel implementation
- Summary

Outline

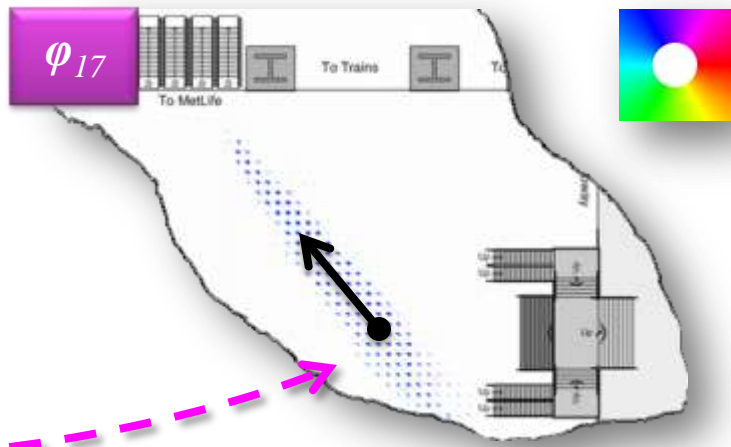
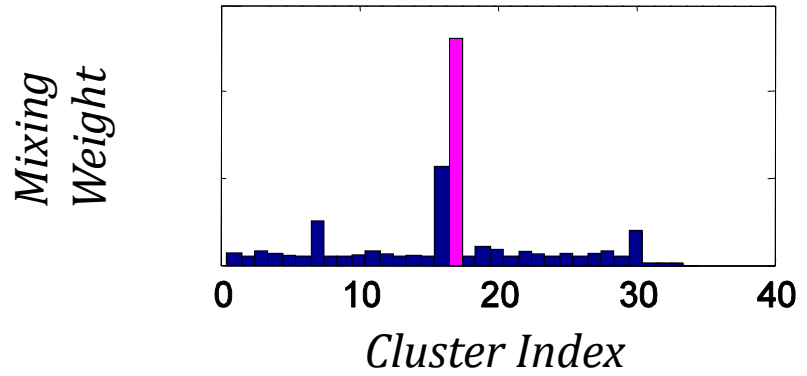
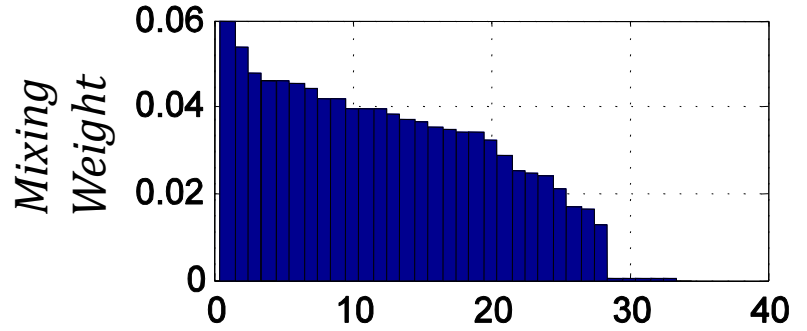
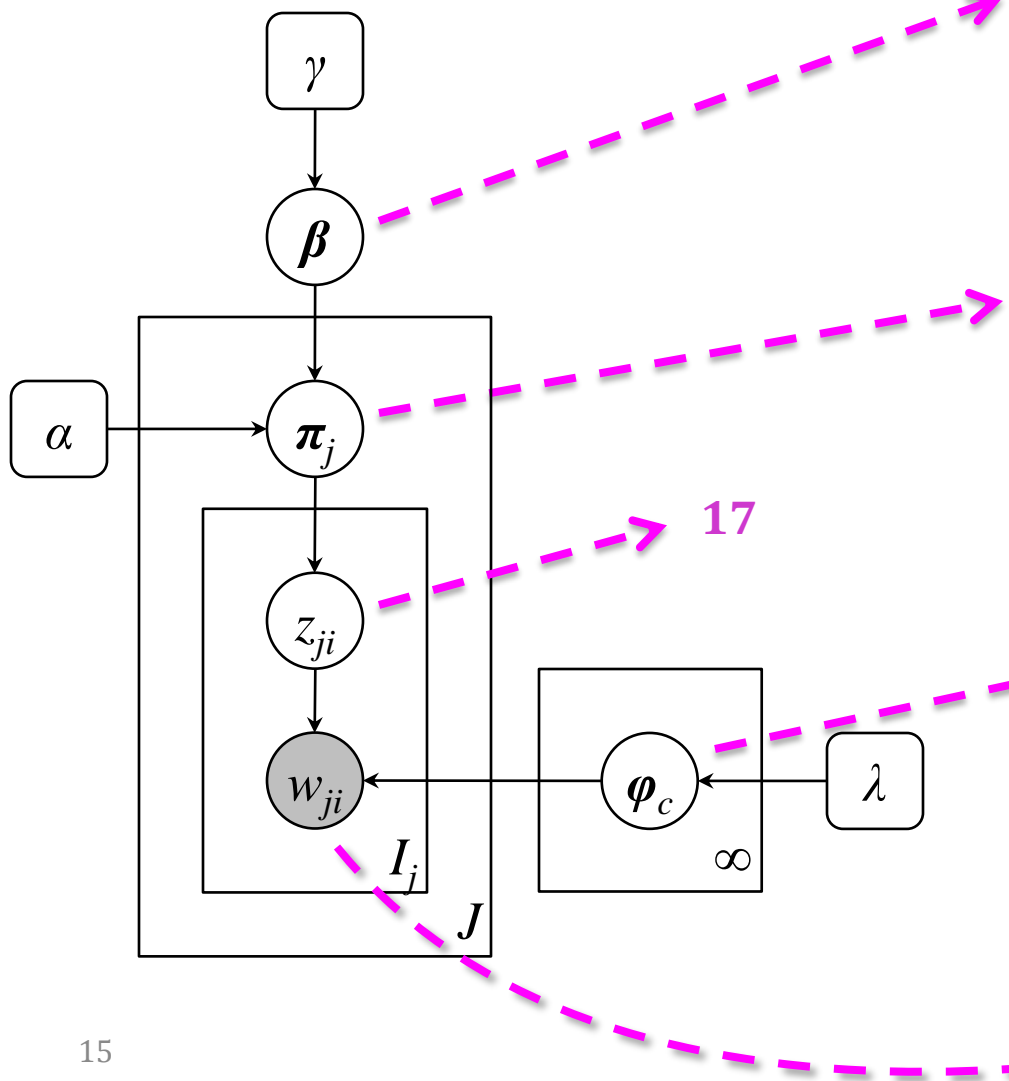
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High Level

- Goal
 - Cluster trajectories to find common paths
- Approach
 - Infinite mixture model

Hierarchical Dirichlet Processes (HDPs)

- HDPs: *Teh JASA 2006*
- w/ trajectories: *Wang CVPR 2008*



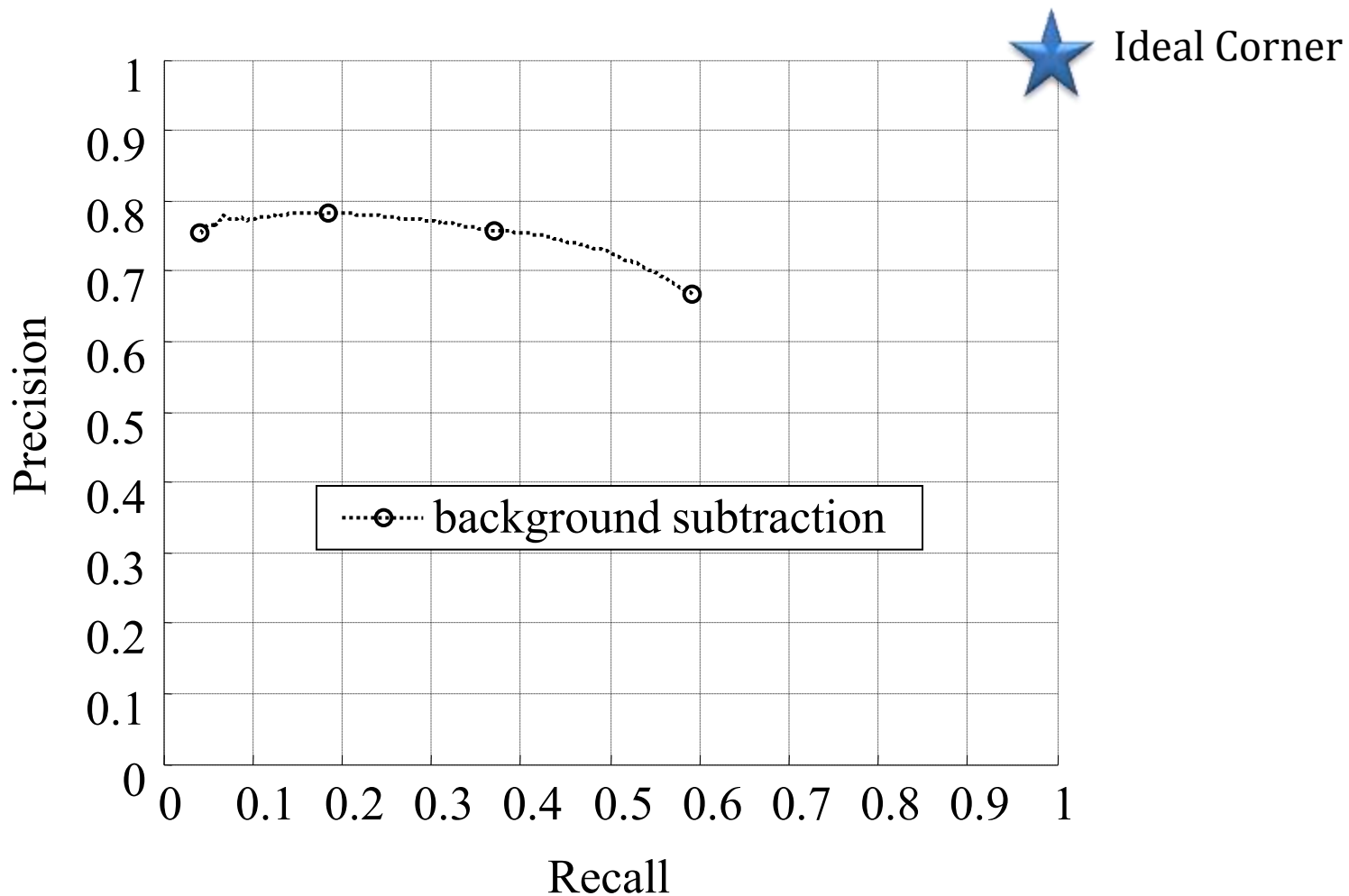
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 - Feature point detection
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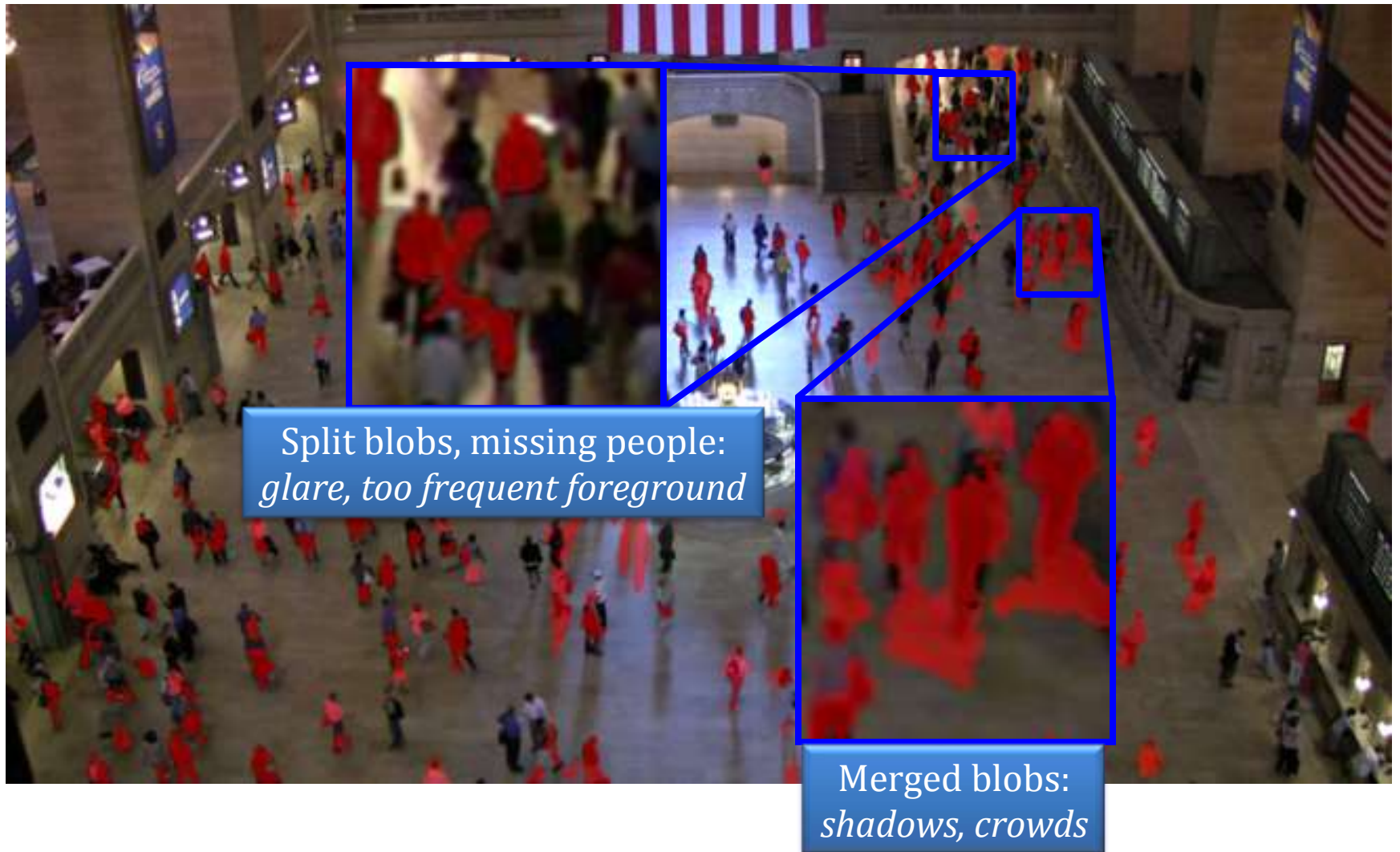
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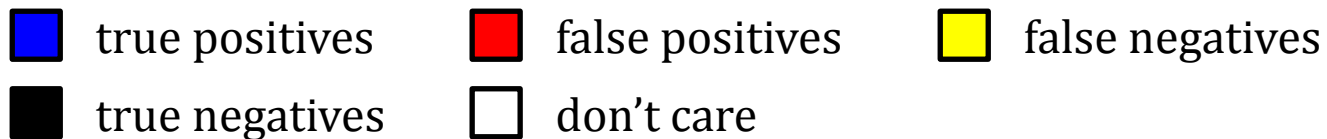
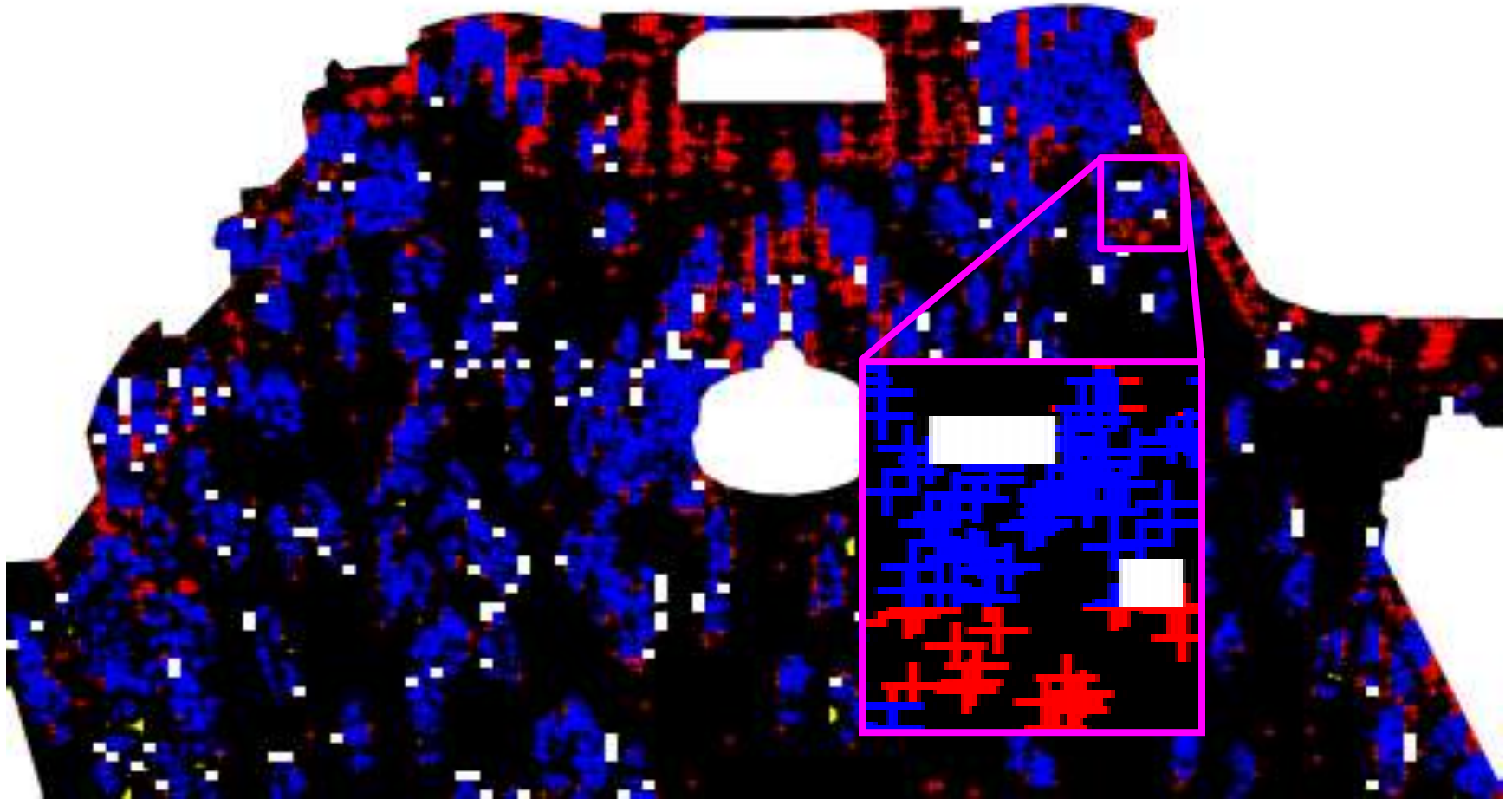
Background Subtraction: Precision-Recall



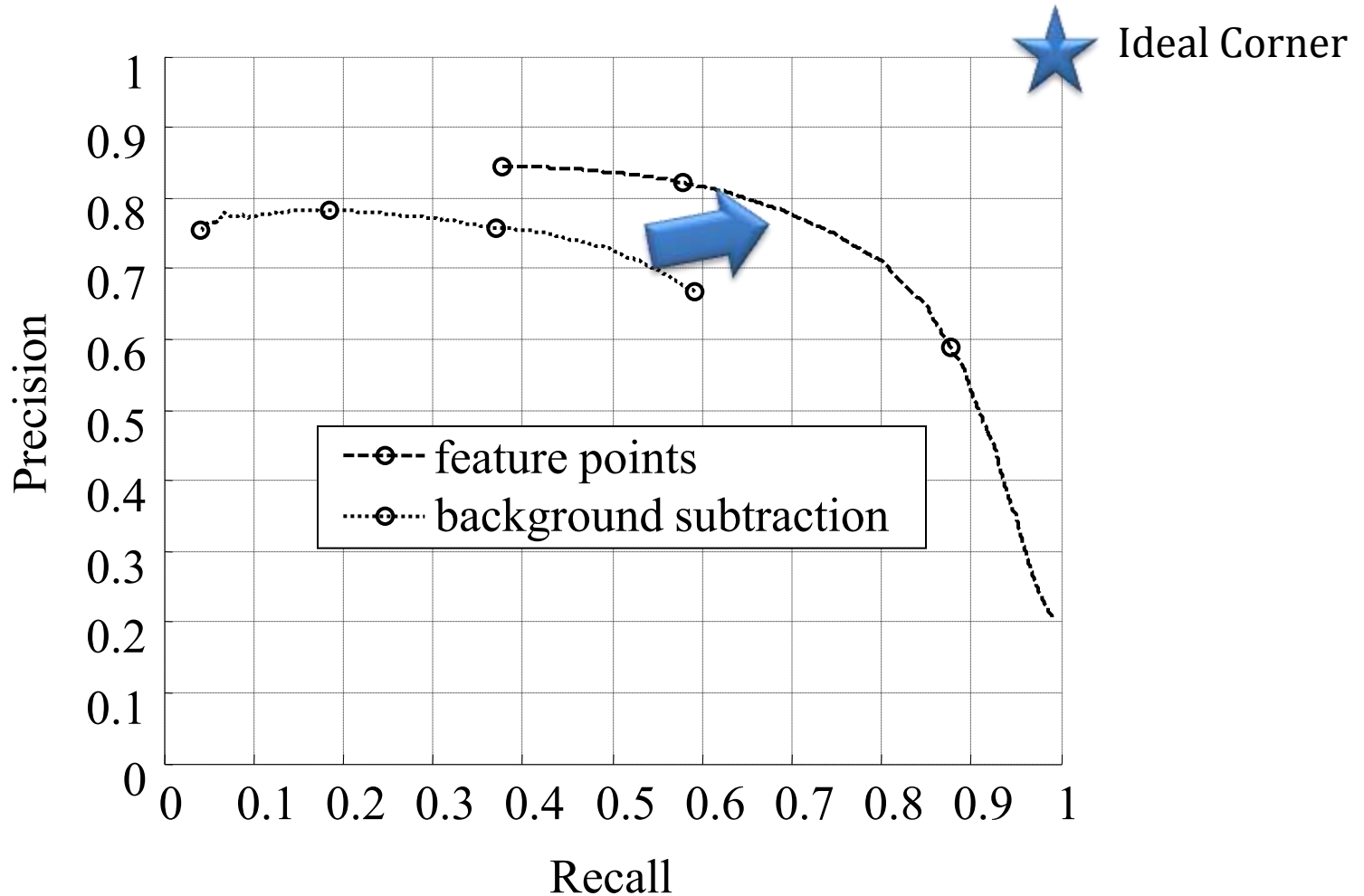
Background Subtraction: Problems



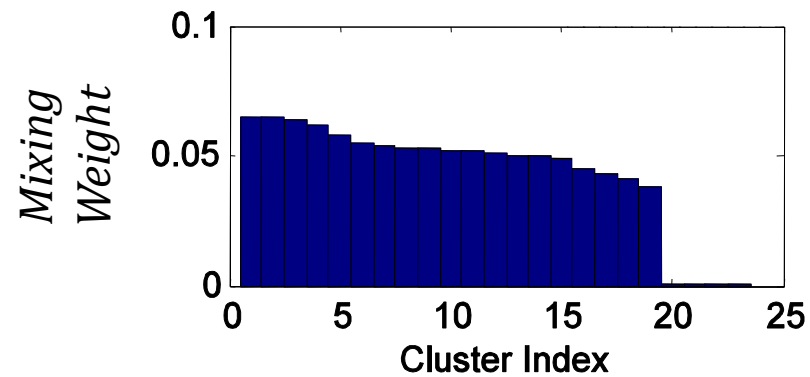
Alternative: Shi & Tomasi Feature Point Detection



Improved Recall, but Low Precision

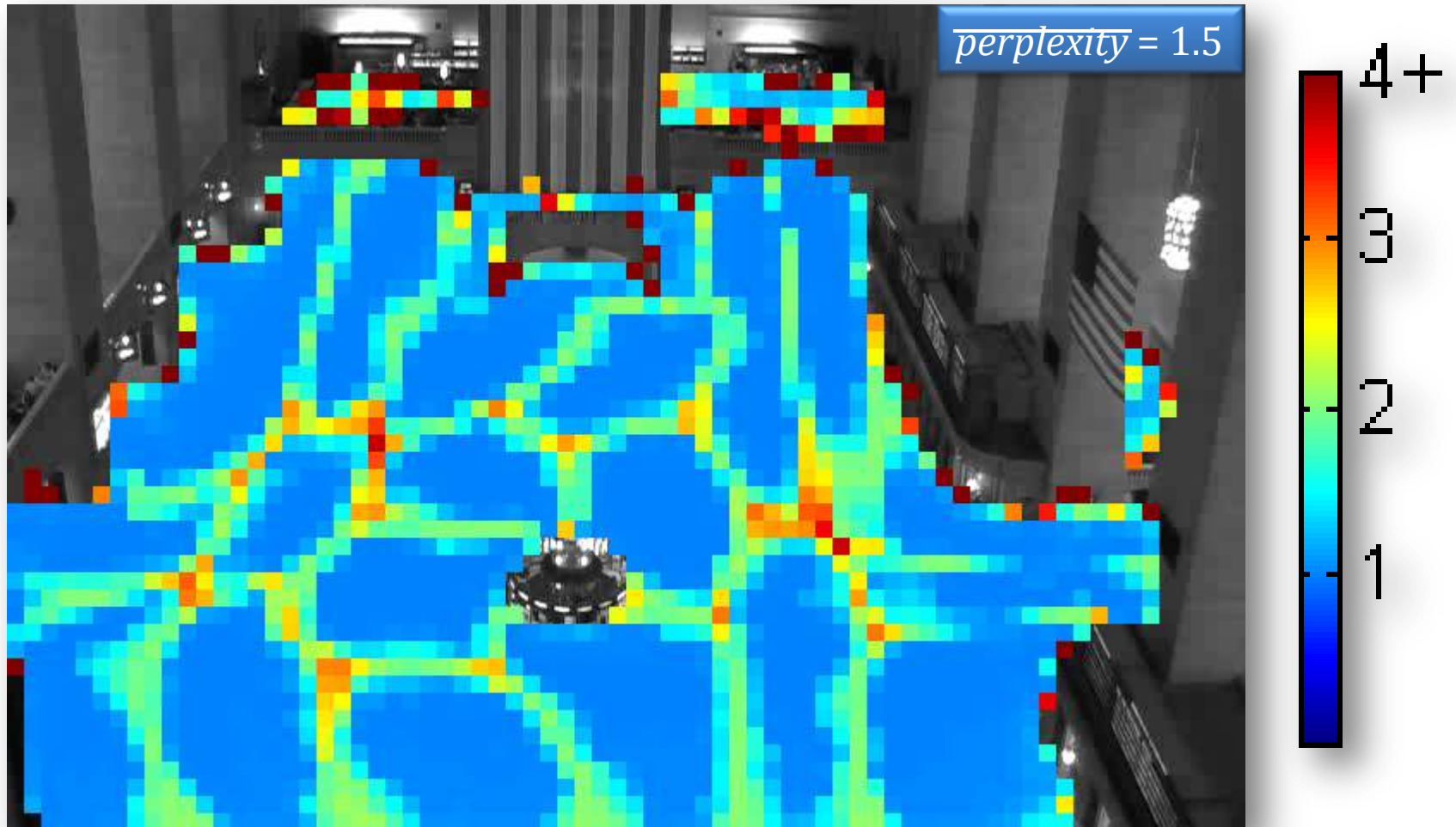


Clustering Feature Point Trajectories

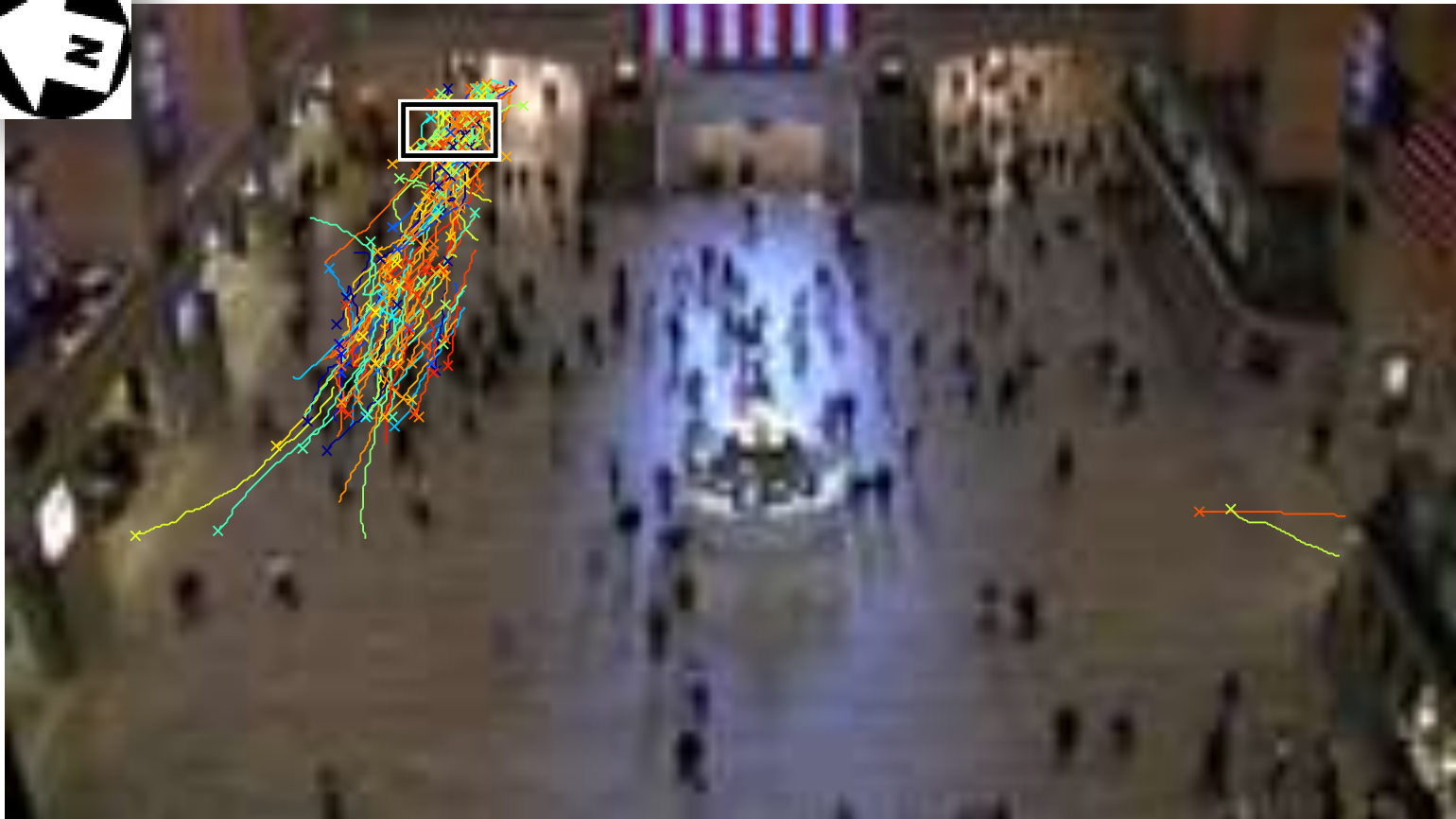


Perplexity

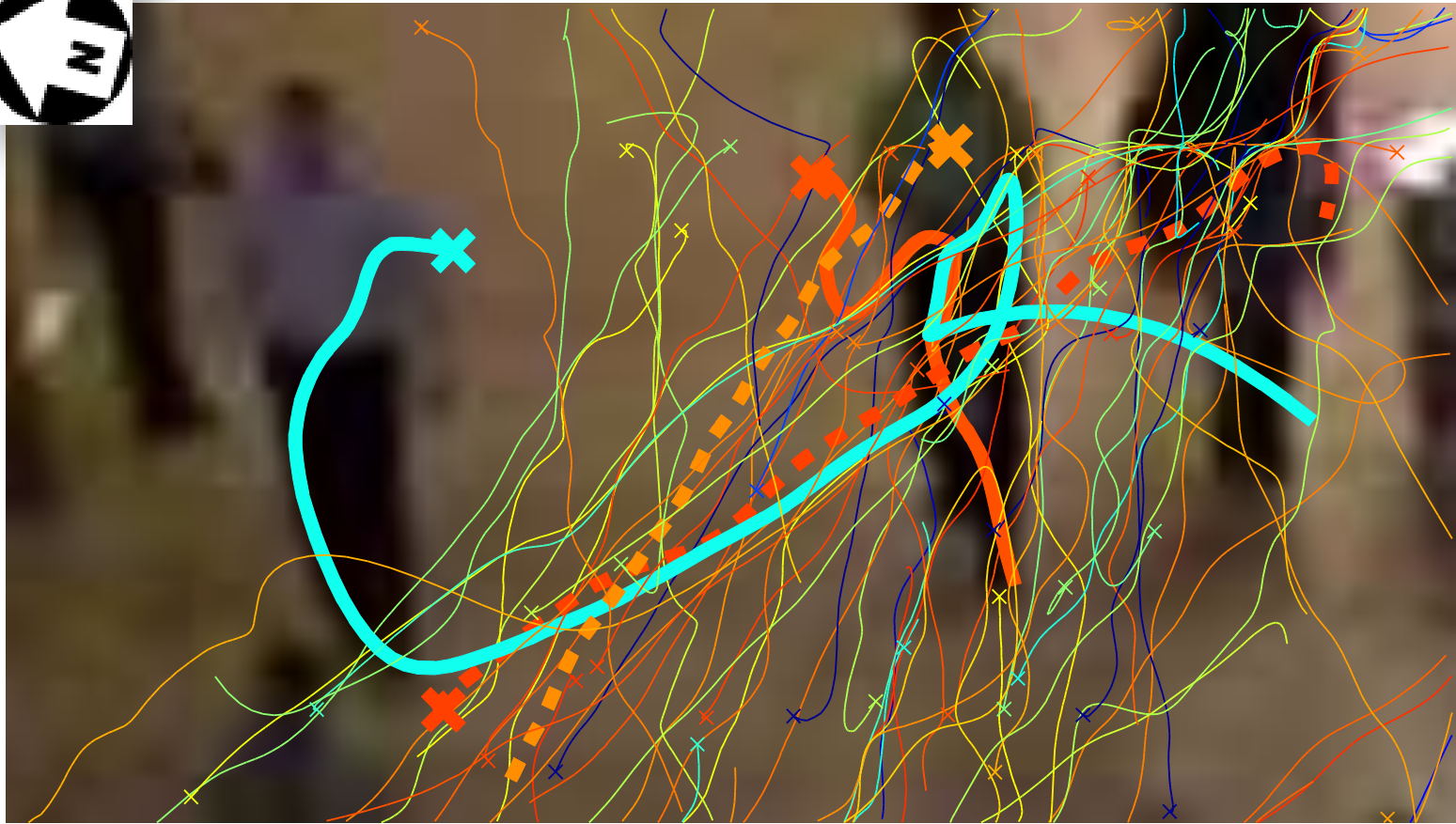
(cluster uncertainty given observed location)



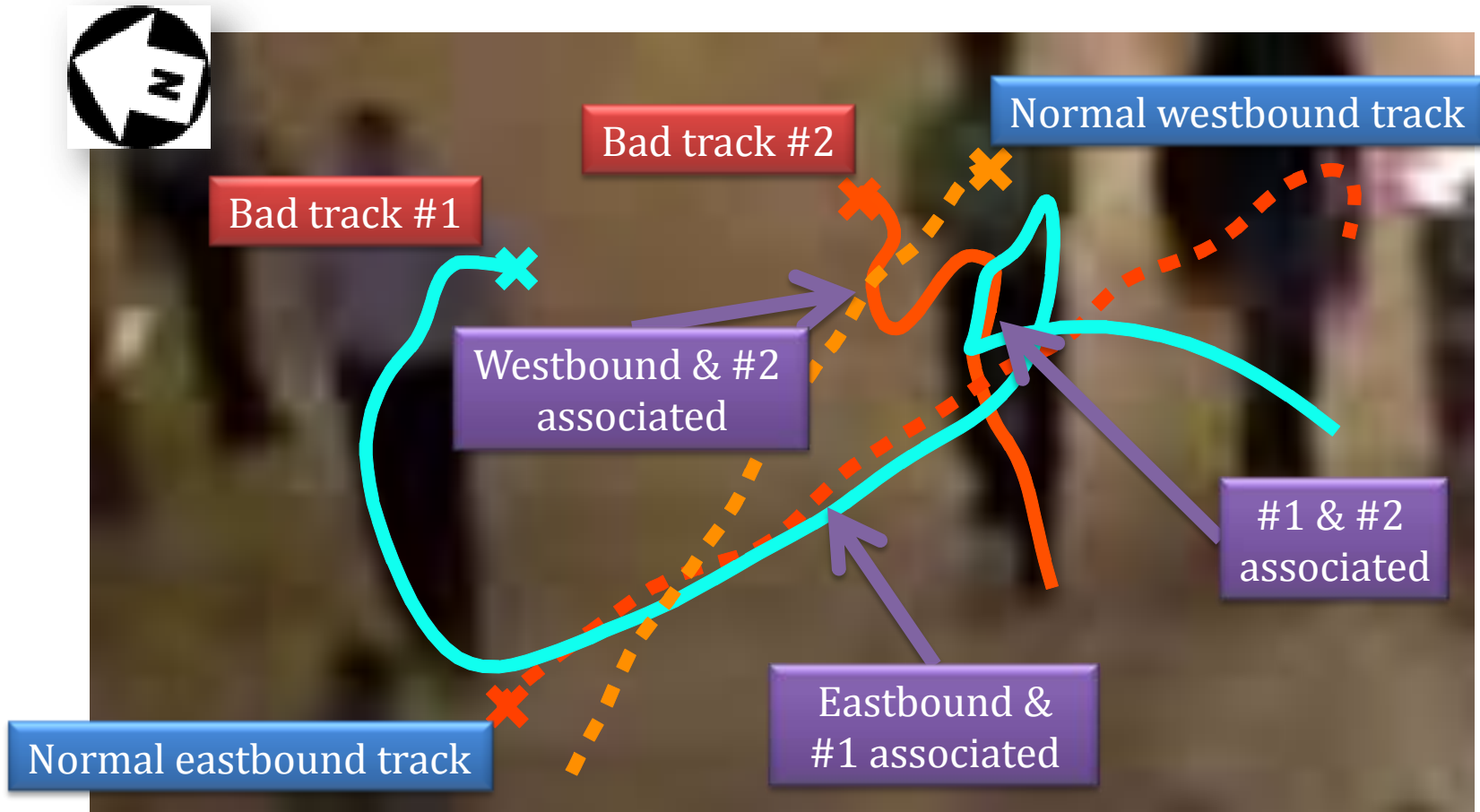
Crowded bidirectional traffic



Most Tracks Just Going East and West



A Few Bad Tracks Couple East and West

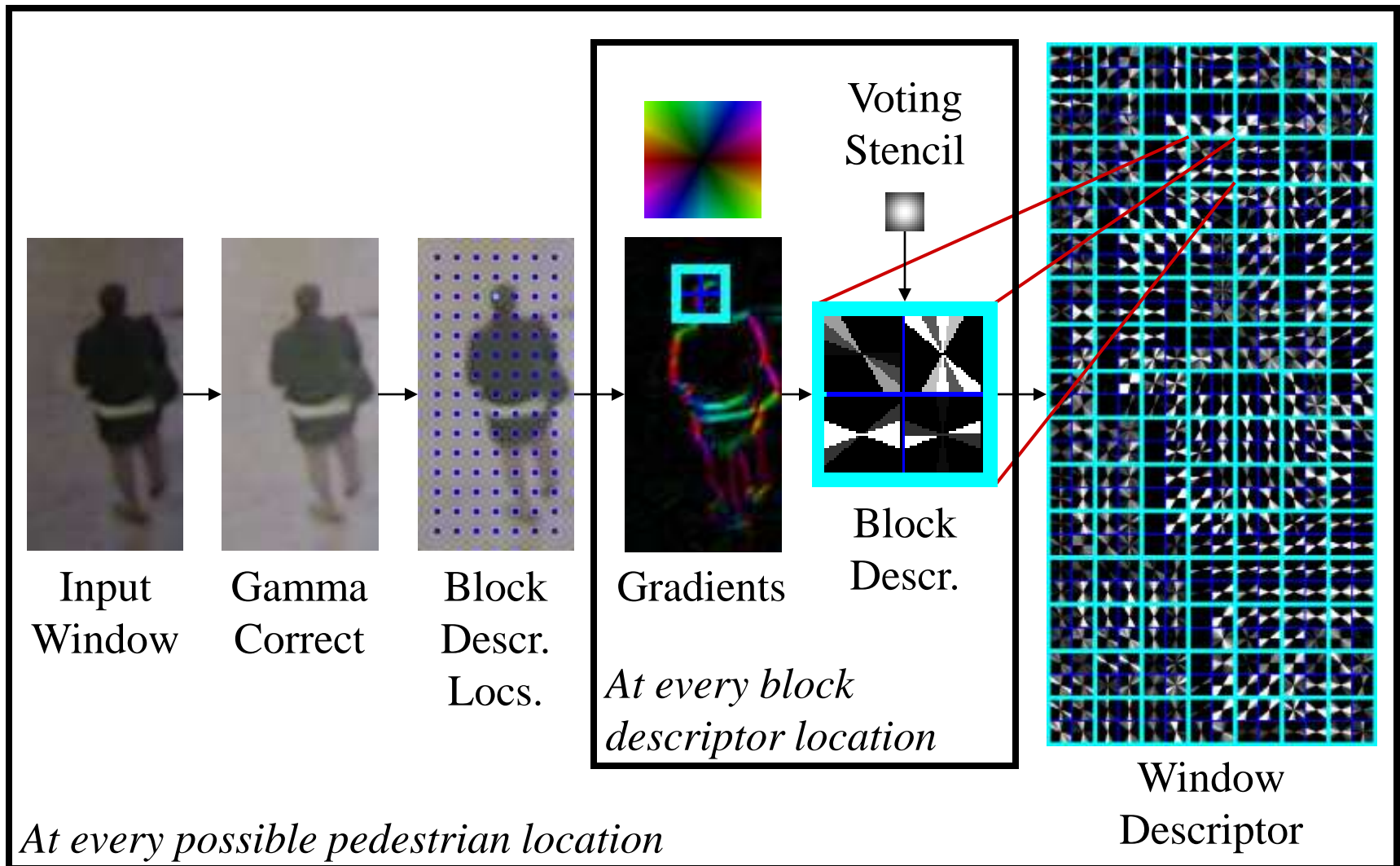


✕ Track starting point

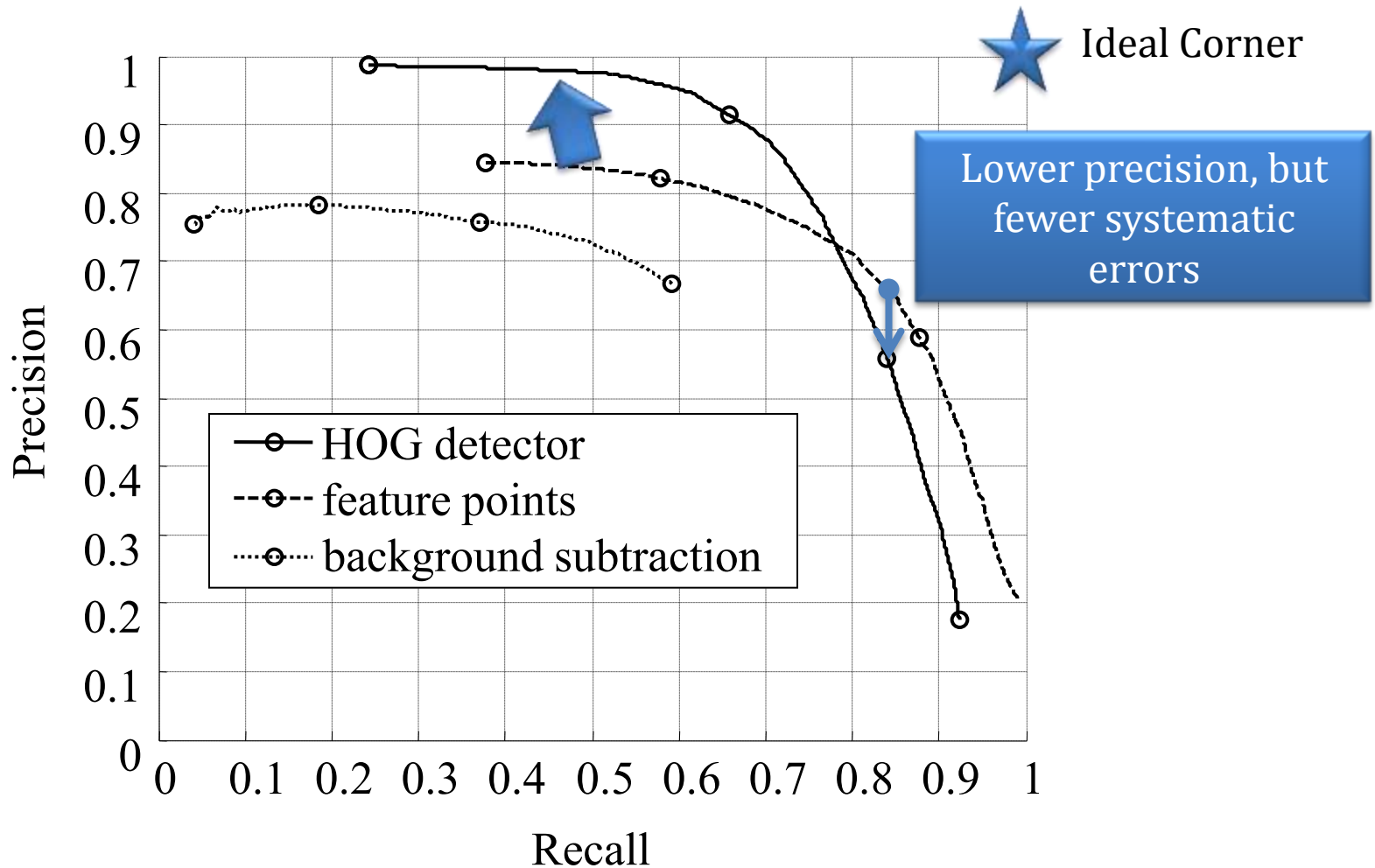
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- **Strong model detector**
 - Dalal and Triggs' HOG detector
 - Classification results
 - Activity modeling results
- Data parallel implementation

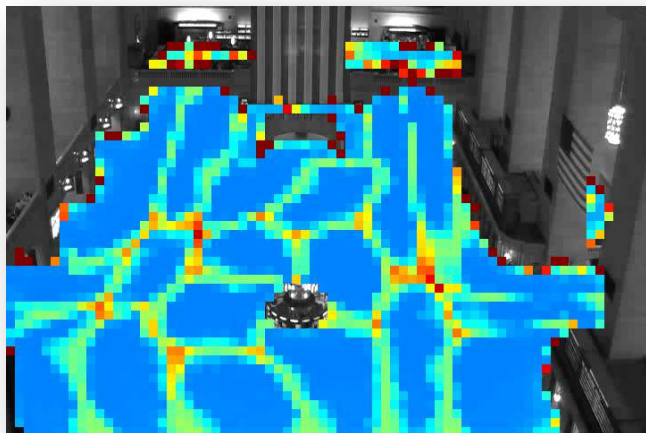
Dalal & Triggs HOG Features



Sufficient Precision and Recall



Better Perplexity

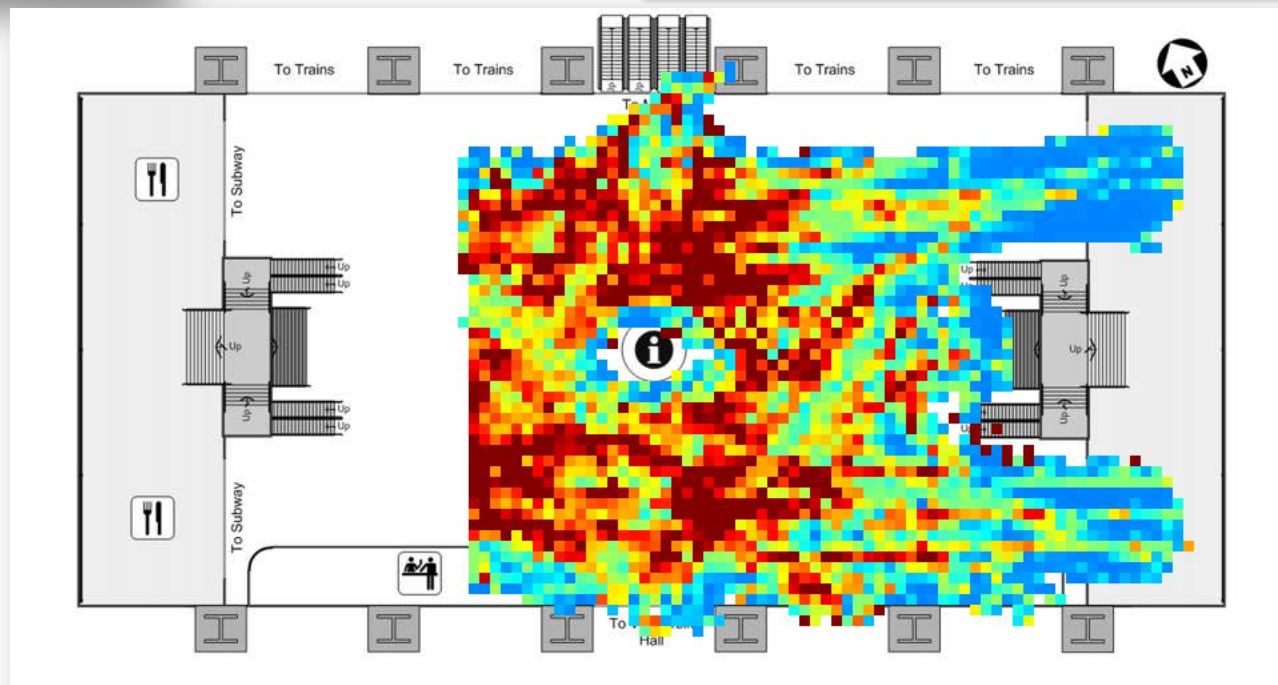


Pedestrian Detector Tracks

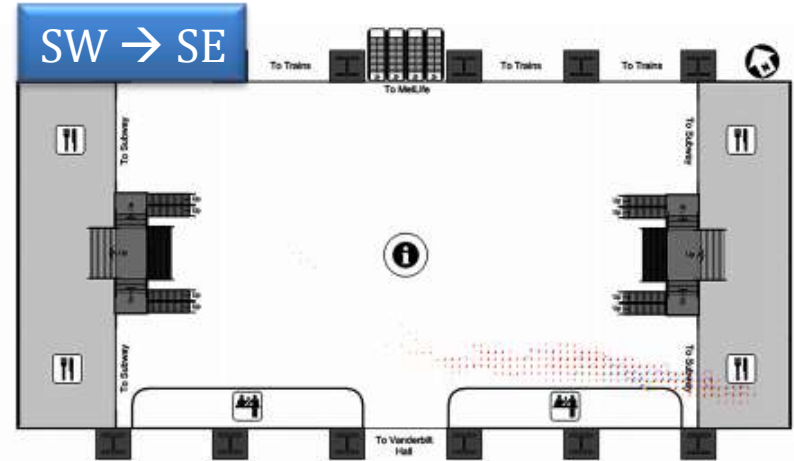
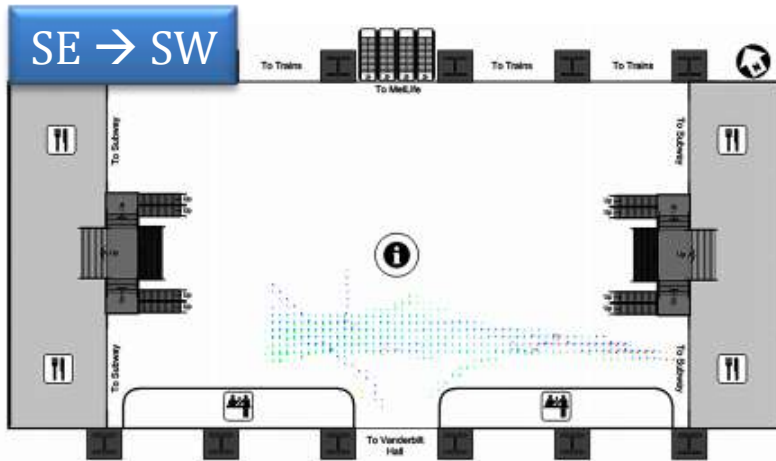
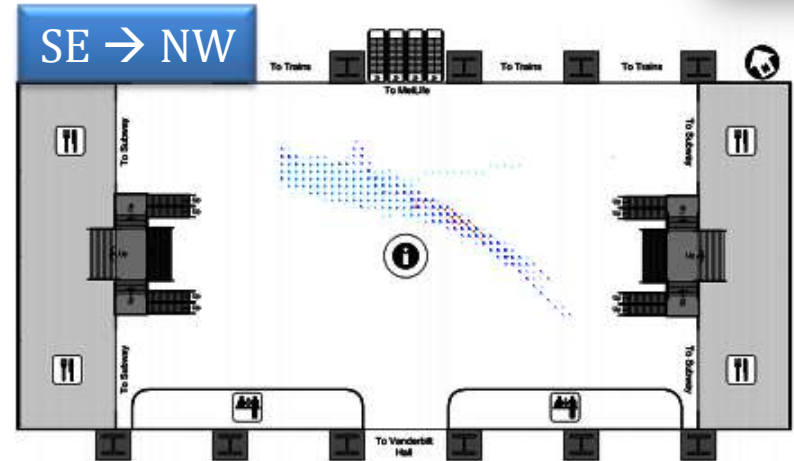
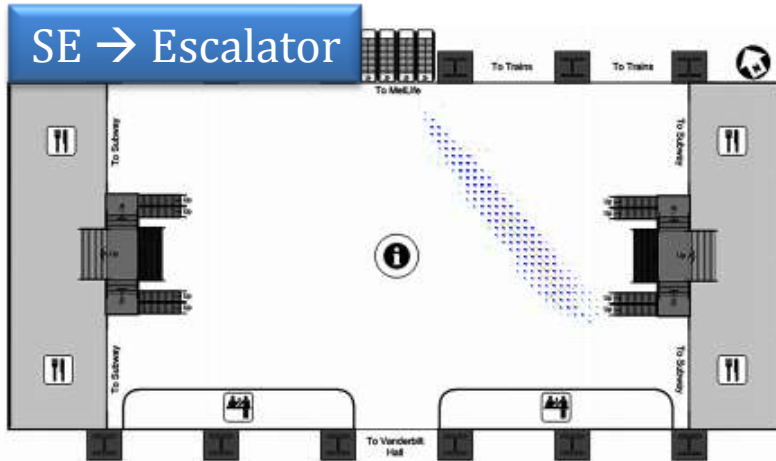
mean = 2.6
median = 2.4

Point Tracking

mean = 1.5
median = 1.1

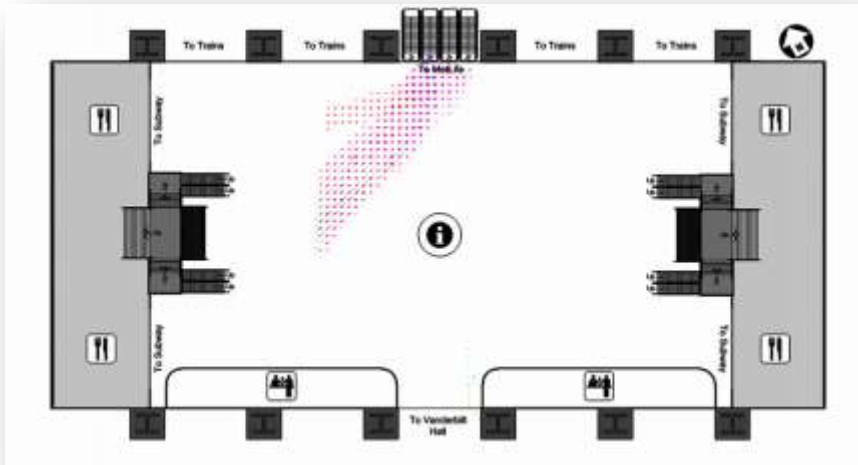
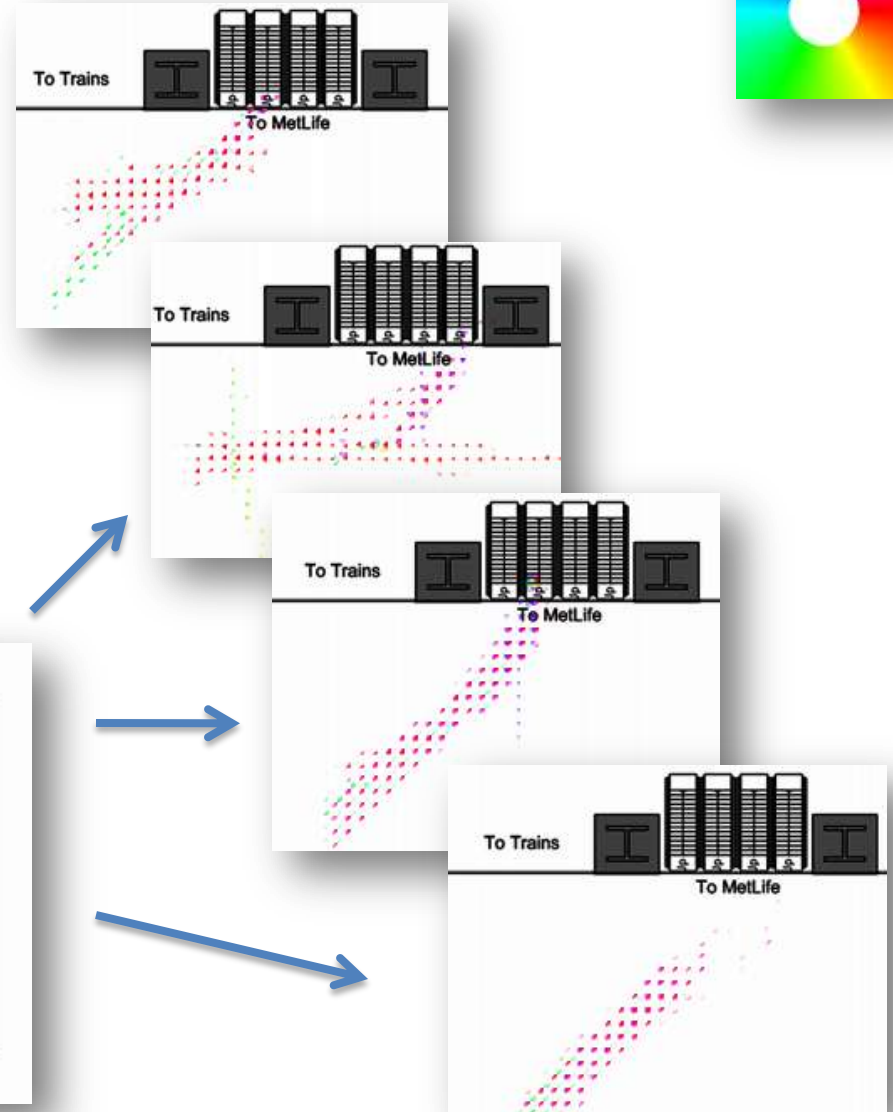


Selected Clusters

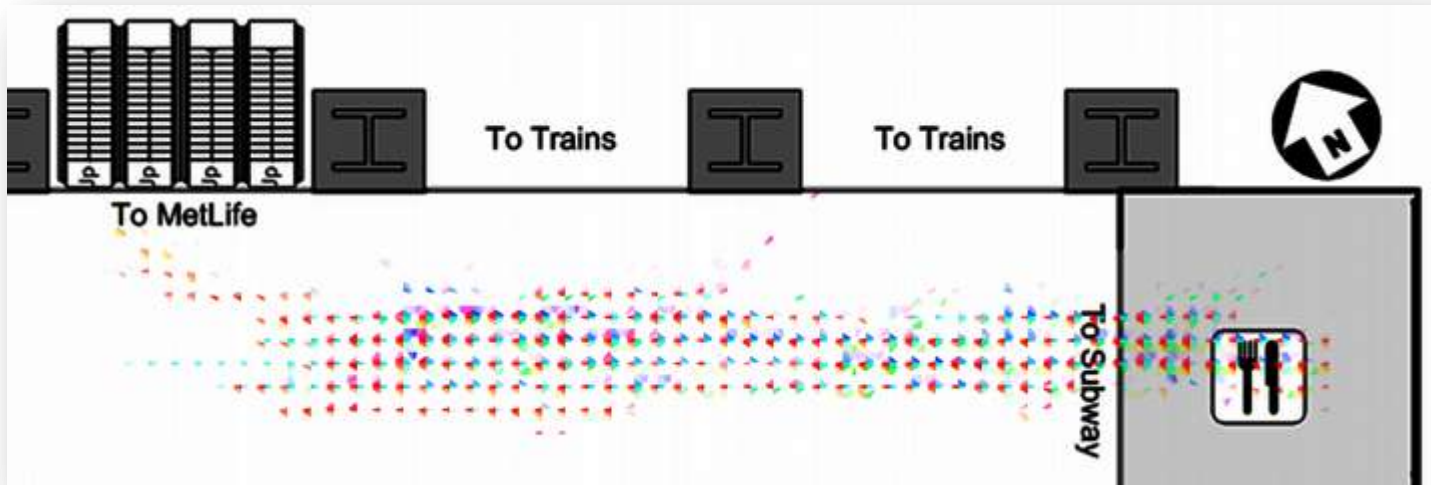


Breaking up Merged Paths

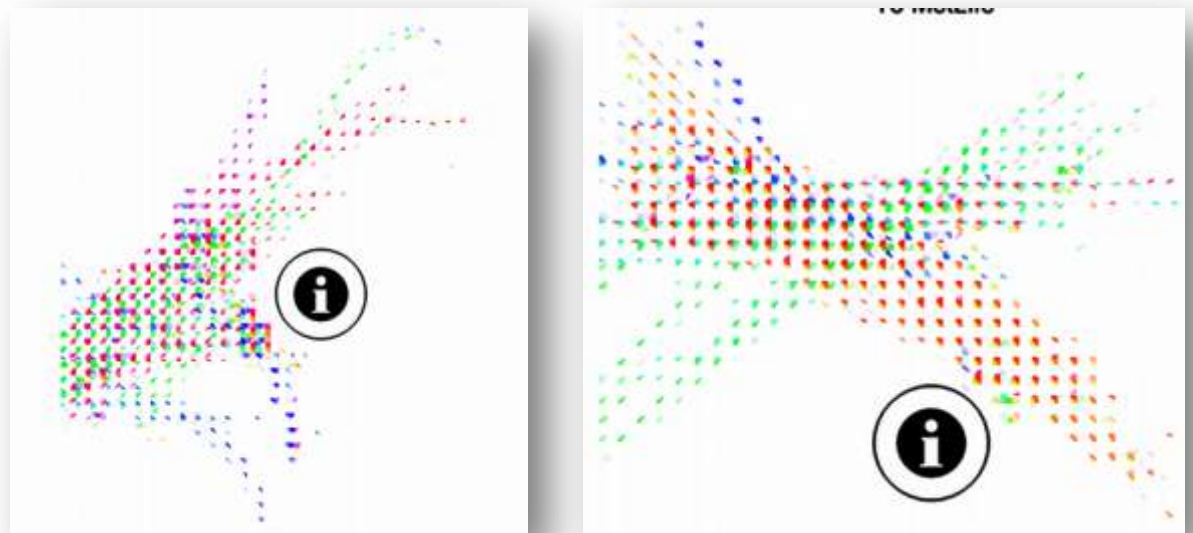
More permissive priors →
*Can separate the 6 paths
from west to escalators*



Some Directional Degeneracies Remain



Cause: *tracking errors*



Cause: *loitering and meandering*

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- Activity model overview
- Weak model detectors
- Strong model detector
- **Data parallel implementation**
 - Motivation
 - GPU Intuition
 - Our design
 - Speedups

Good Results, but Too Slow

$$60 \frac{\text{compute sec.}}{\text{frame}} \bullet 30 \frac{\text{frames}}{\text{sec.}} \bullet 1 \text{ hour of video} = 75 \text{ compute days}$$
$$60 \frac{\text{compute sec.}}{\text{frame}} \bullet 30 \frac{\text{frames}}{\text{sec.}} \bullet 40 \text{ hours of video} > 8 \text{ compute years}$$

...a little faster would be nice.

Our data:

- 40 hours
- 1920×1080 frames
 - 6.75× the pixels/frame w.r.t. 640×480
 - 27× the pixels/frame w.r.t. 320×240
- progressive scan

CPU Characteristics

- One thing fast
 - High clock speed
 - Pipelining
- Complex control flow
 - Cache
 - Branch prediction
 - Speculation
 - ...
- Task parallel:
a few *different* things fast
 - Multicore
 - Hyperthreading
 - Sophisticated caches
- Data parallel:
Same instruction on a few data items
 - MMX, SSE, etc.



GPU Characteristics

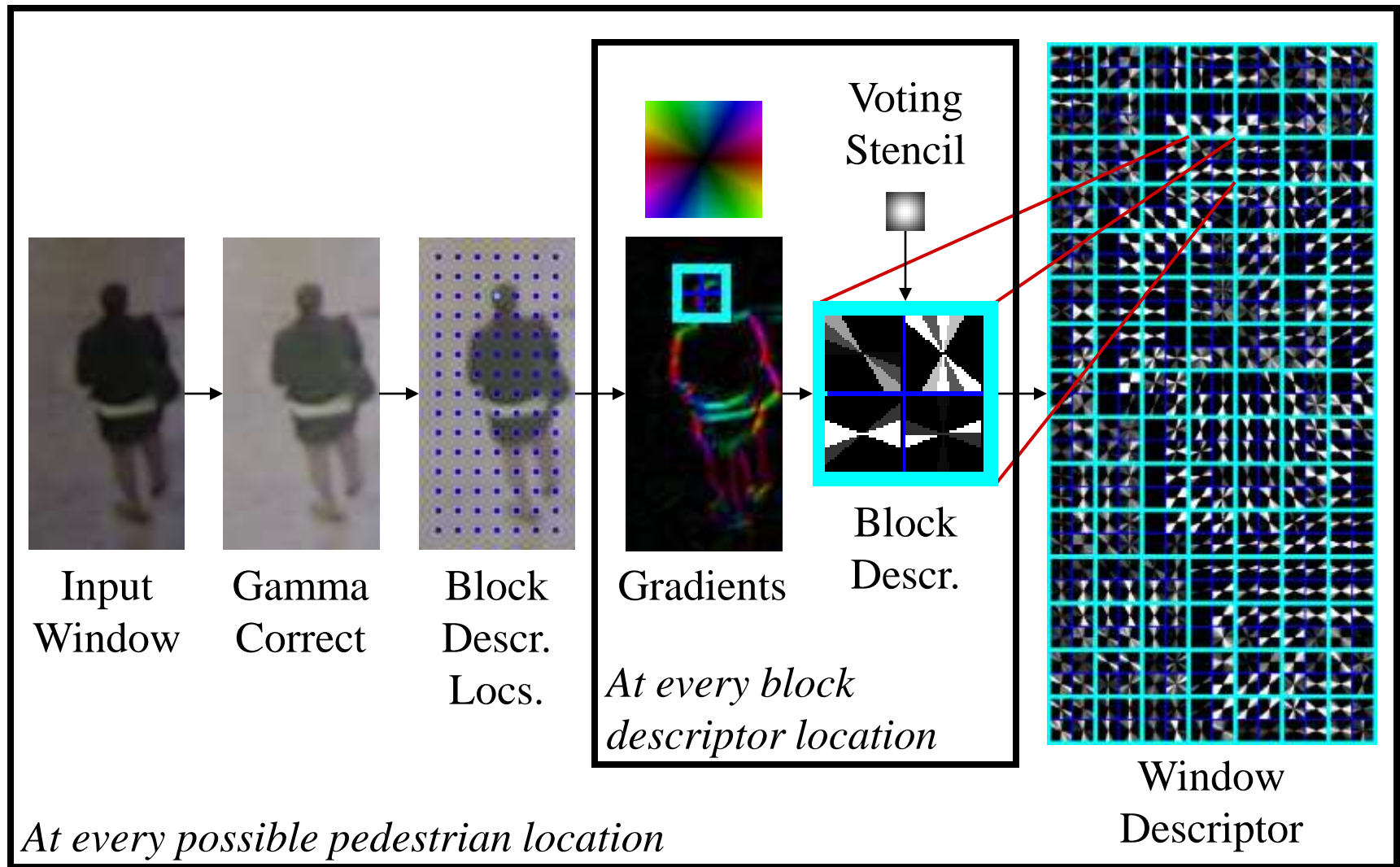
- *Same* instruction, many data items
 - 240 “cores” or more
- Very high memory *bandwidth*
 - 10× a CPU’s
- Typical speedups:
 - 10×—100×
- Programming
 - Style: C/C++
 - Optimization effort \approx C++ & assembly mix
- Slow if...
 - Insufficiently parallel code
 - Random memory access
 - Branching



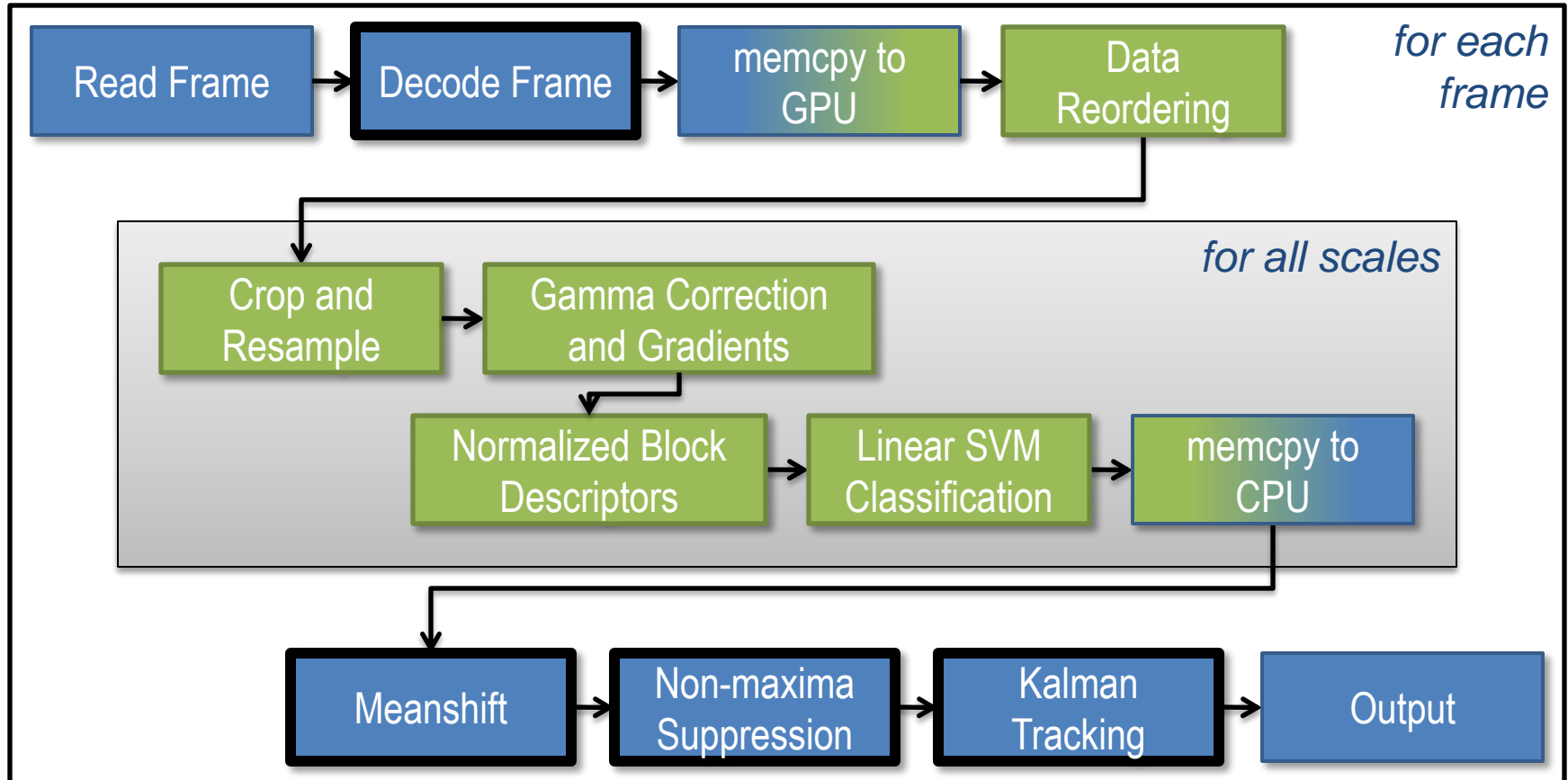
Intuition: What Works Well on a GPU

- In general
 - $10^{\lll\text{MANY}\ggg}$ independent inputs and/or outputs
 - Localized memory access
- Typical applications
 - Filterbanks
 - Sliding window algorithms
 - Code that's easy to vectorize in Matlab

Dalal & Triggs HOG Features



Our CUDA Pipeline



Runs on CPU (1 thread)



Runs on GPU



CPU ↔ GPU transfers



Possible on GPU

CPU vs. GPU Times:

Results from a Simplified Profiling Application

Processing Step	CPU Implementation	GPU Implementation	GPU Speedup
Read input (CPU)	0%	17%	
GPU resizer setup		5%	
Resize	4%	11%	24.3×
Gradients	24%	9%	164.0×
Normalized block descriptors	57%	35%	97.7×
Window classification	14%	8%	100.6×
Cleanup	0%	12%	0.5×
Detection (CPU)	0%	4%	1.1×
TOTAL	23 seconds	0.4 seconds	58.8×

GPU Speedup Results

- Our Implementation
 - 58.8× to 76× speedup (vs. optimized CPU-only)
 - Current bottlenecks
 - Video decoding on the CPU (17%)
 - Block descriptors (35%)
 - Bookkeeping & memory transfers (17%)
- Wojek, Dorkó, Schulz, Schiele [DAGM 2008]
 - 30× speedup
 - Optimized for the previous GPU architecture
 - Less efficient usage of memory bandwidth

Summary

- Fast HOG implementation
 - 58.8× to 76× speedup
- Better clustering of trajectory flows
 - Qualitative improvements
 - Perplexity

Future Work

- Scale to true HD real-time
 - Multithreaded CPU
 - Multiple GPUs
 - Asynchronous data transfers
 - More computation to GPUs
- Better HOG training
 - Explicit occlusion handling
 - Add video features
(a la Dalal and Triggs 2006)
- Alternative detectors
 - Boosted cascade *on GPUs*
(CPU: Avidan; Viola & Jones)
- Activity modeling
 - Learn long-term flow trends
 - Temporal dependencies
(via HMMs)
- Integrate with other technologies in this thesis...

Other Potential Applications for Fast and Robust Pedestrian Detection

Appearance models
for recognition



Multimodal tracking
for event detection

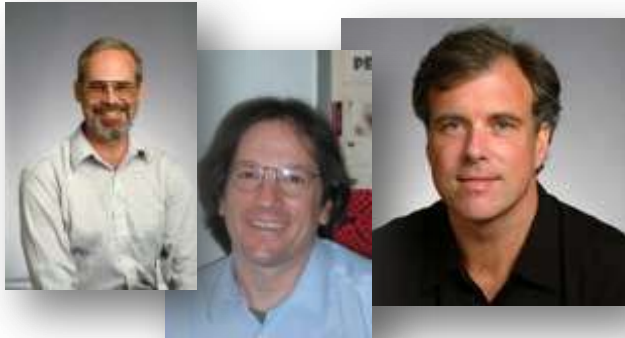


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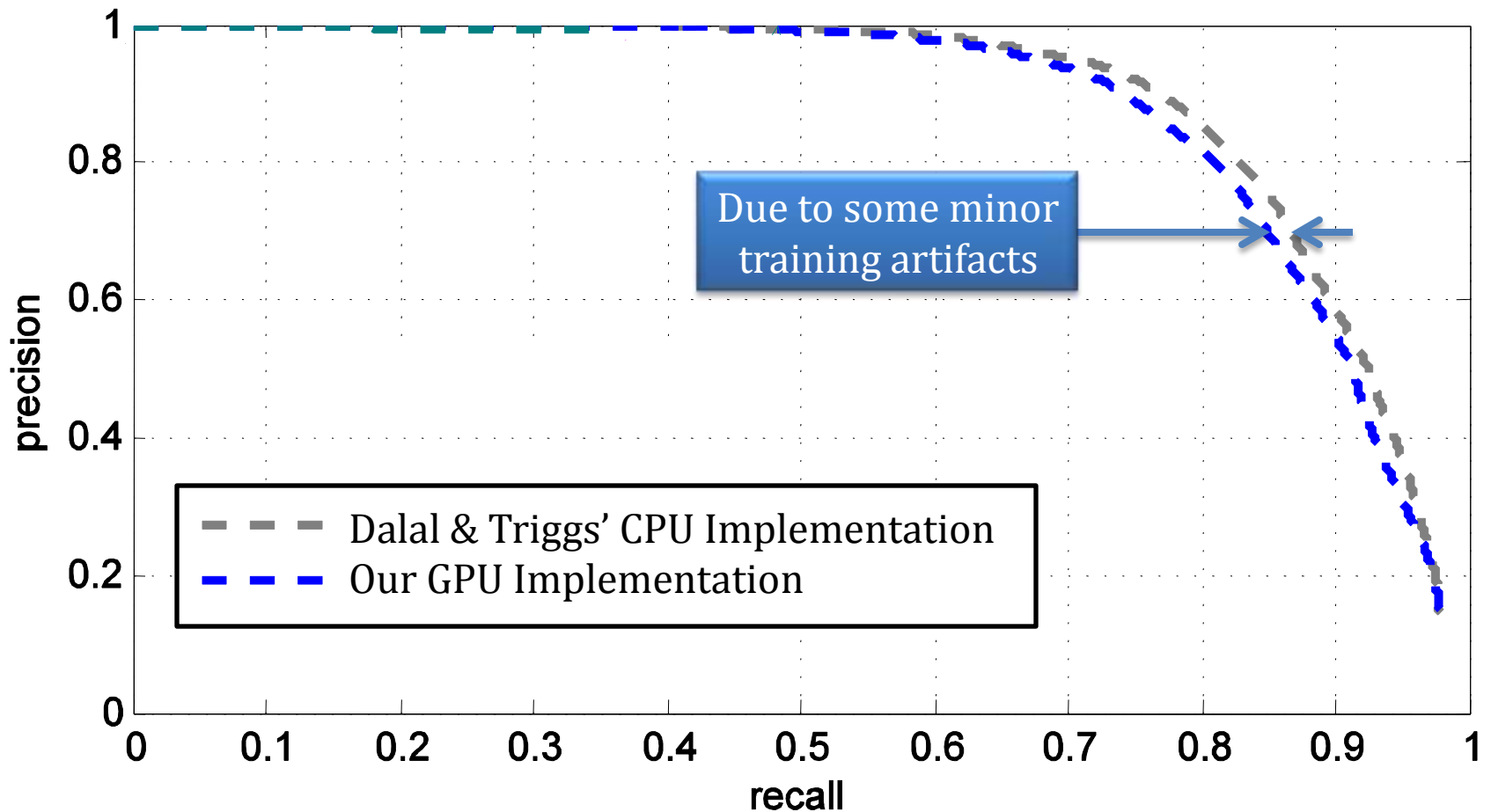
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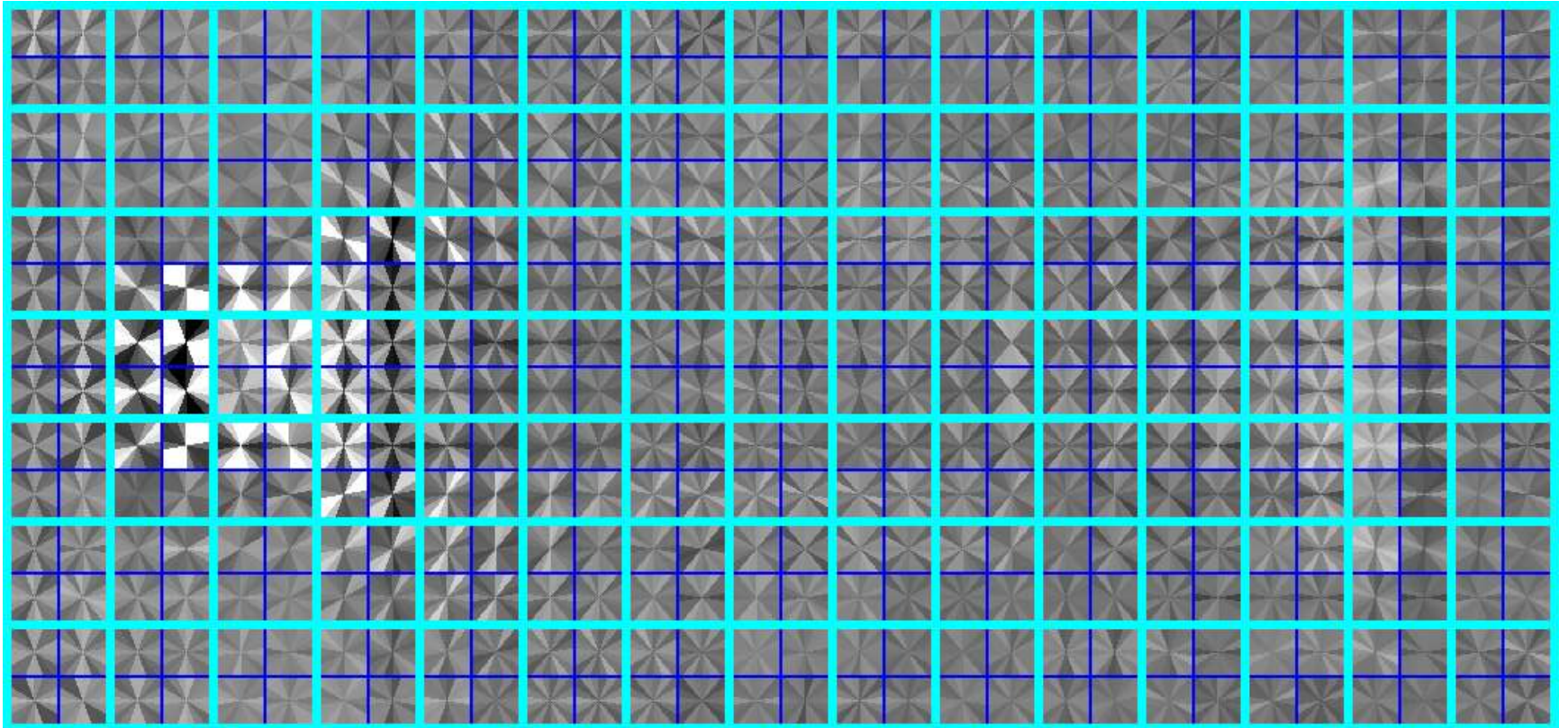
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Same Quality

(minor differences due to training tweaks)



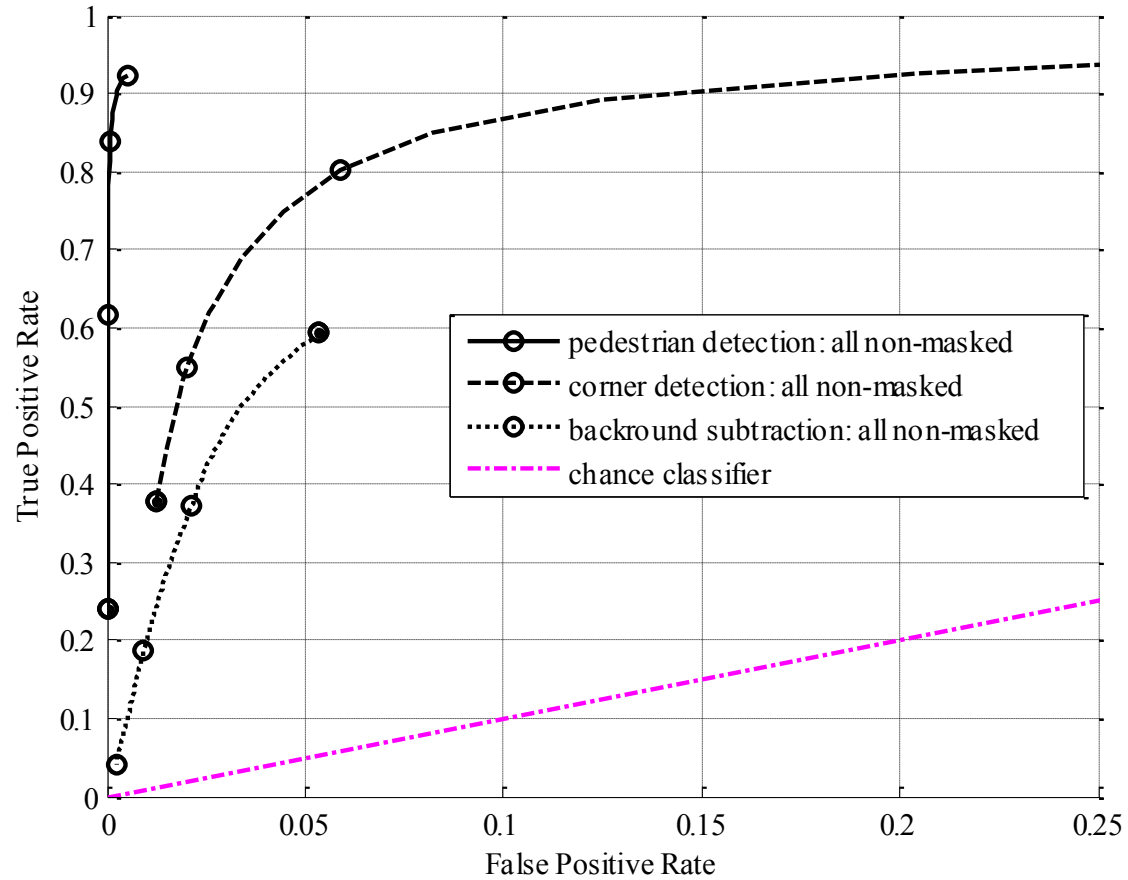
A Learned Classification Boundary (rotated)



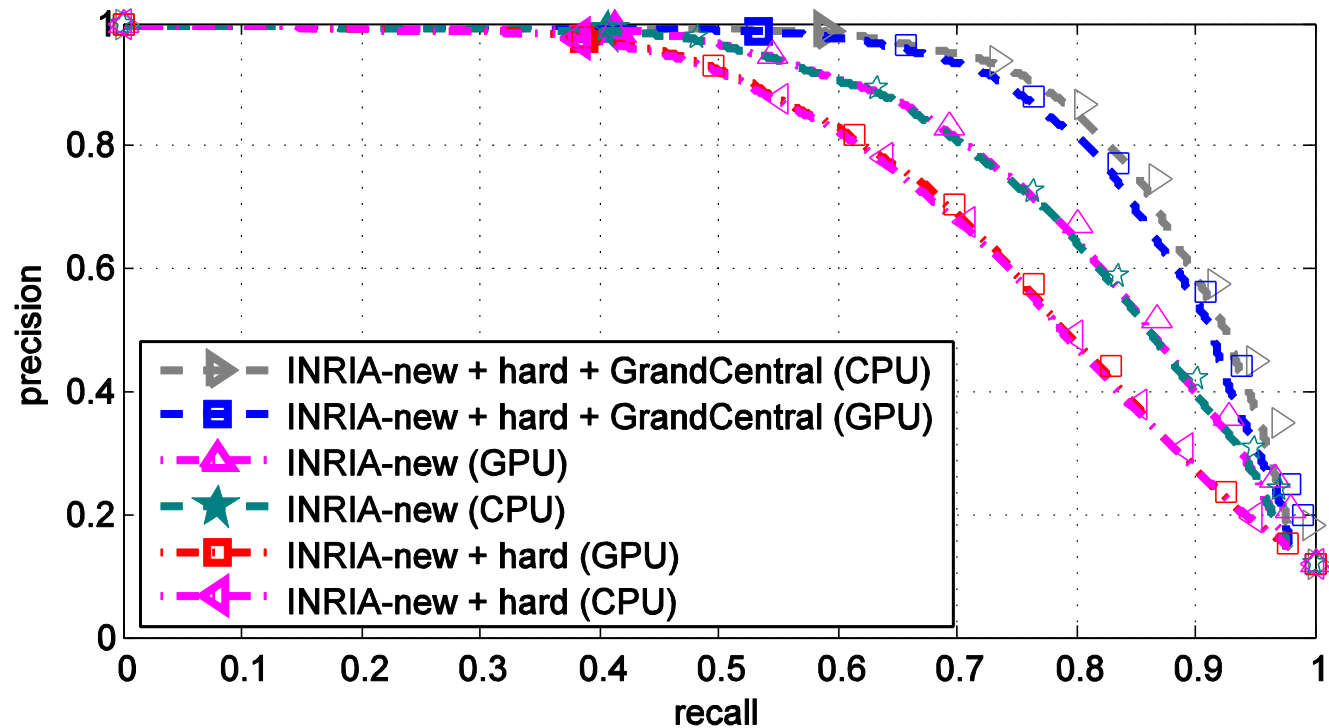
Detections on One Frame



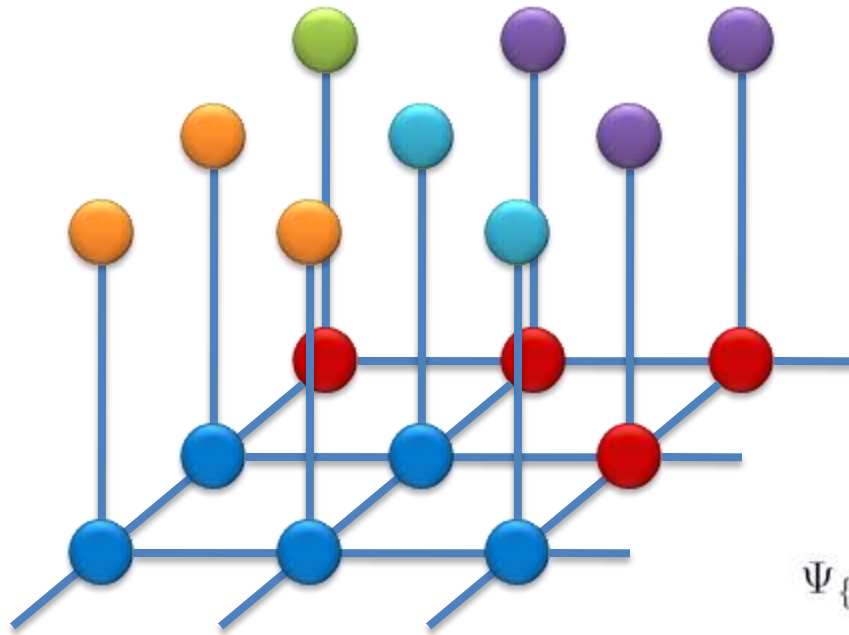
ROC Curves



Training Set Influence



MRF equations[MG05]



Grid of observed pixel colors

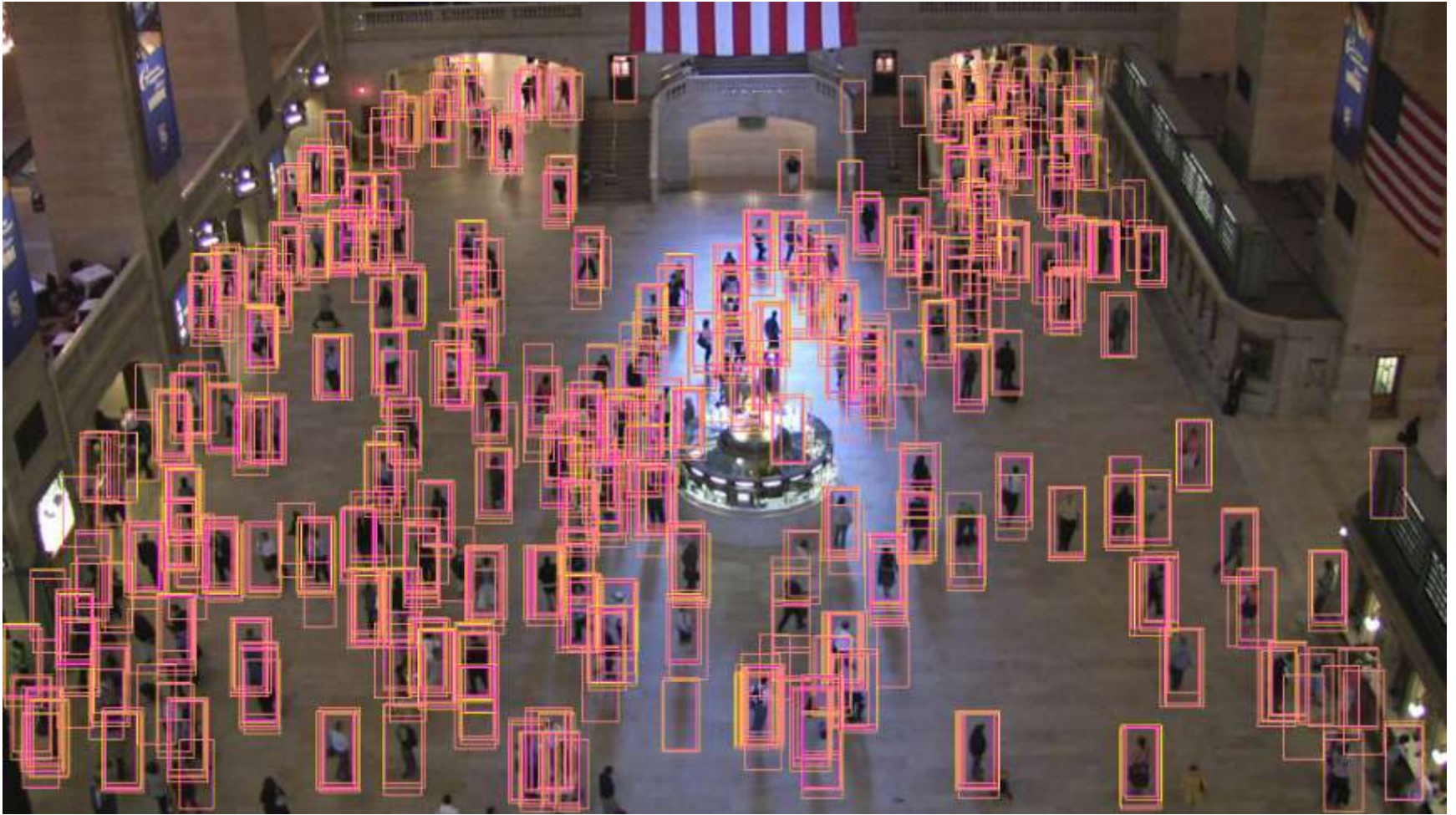
Grid of unknown FG/BG labels

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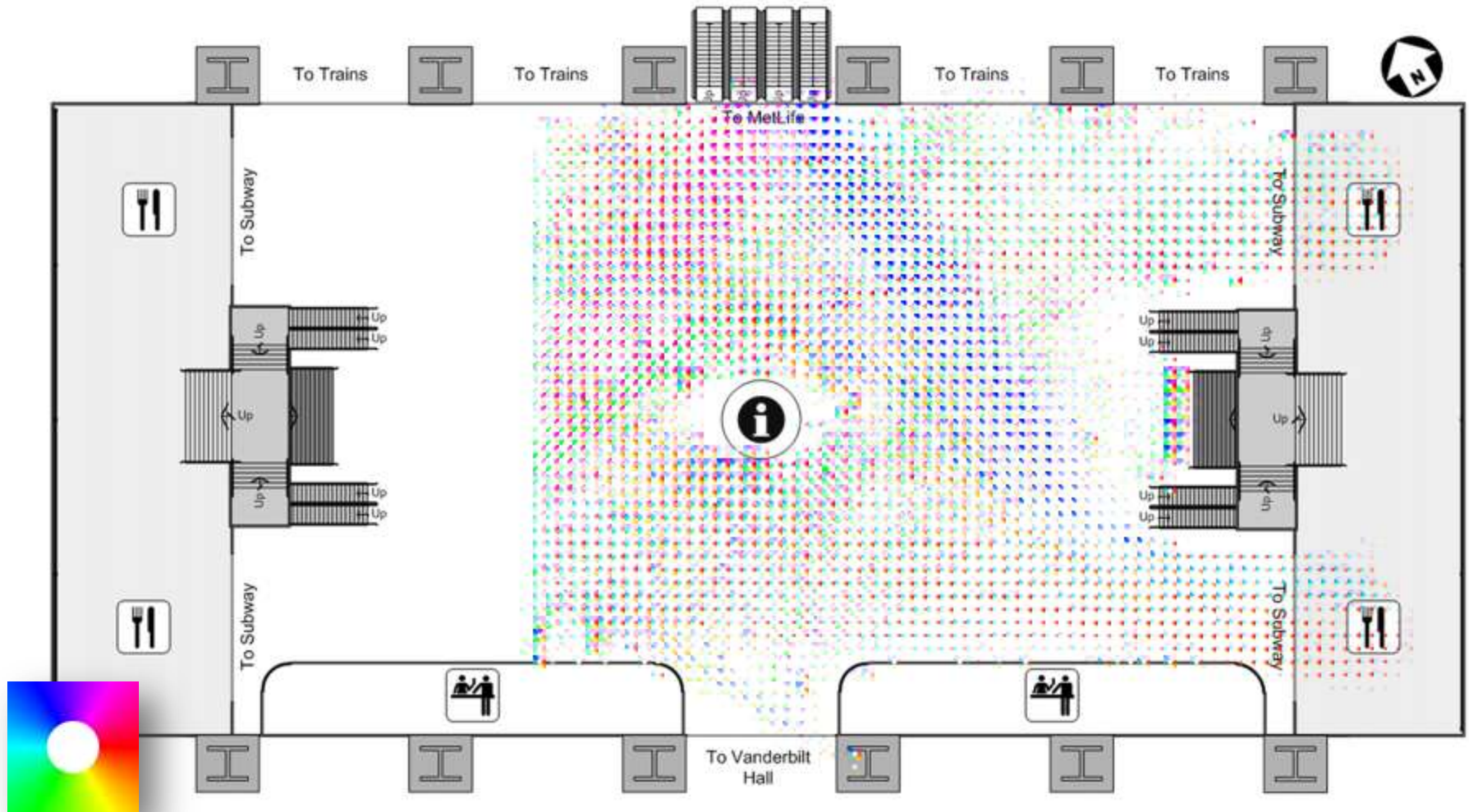
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Detections before Global Optimization



Sample Marginal of Observations

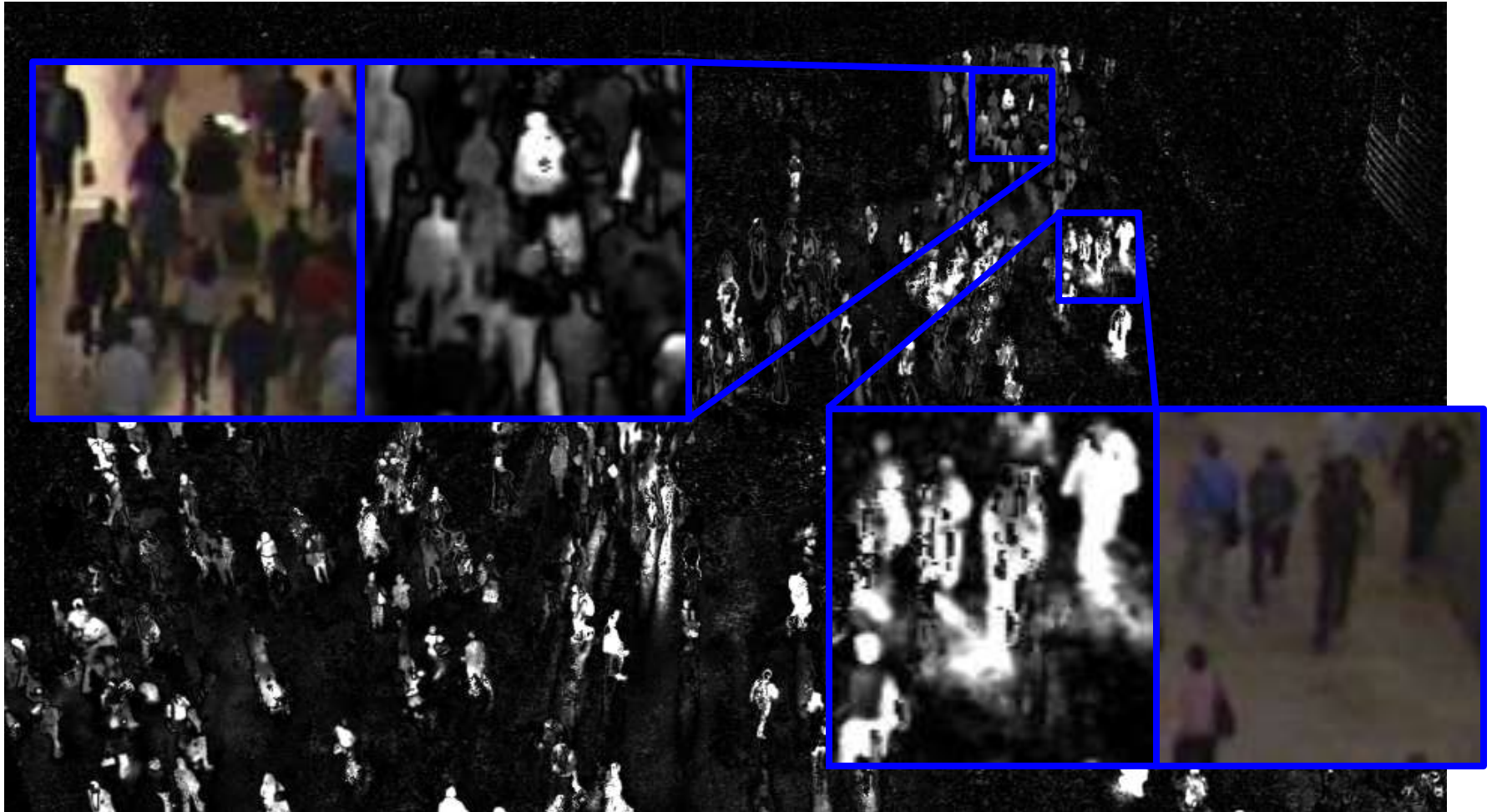


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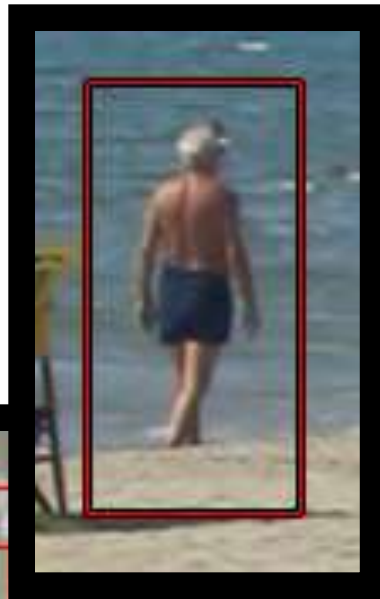
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Foreground Likelihood

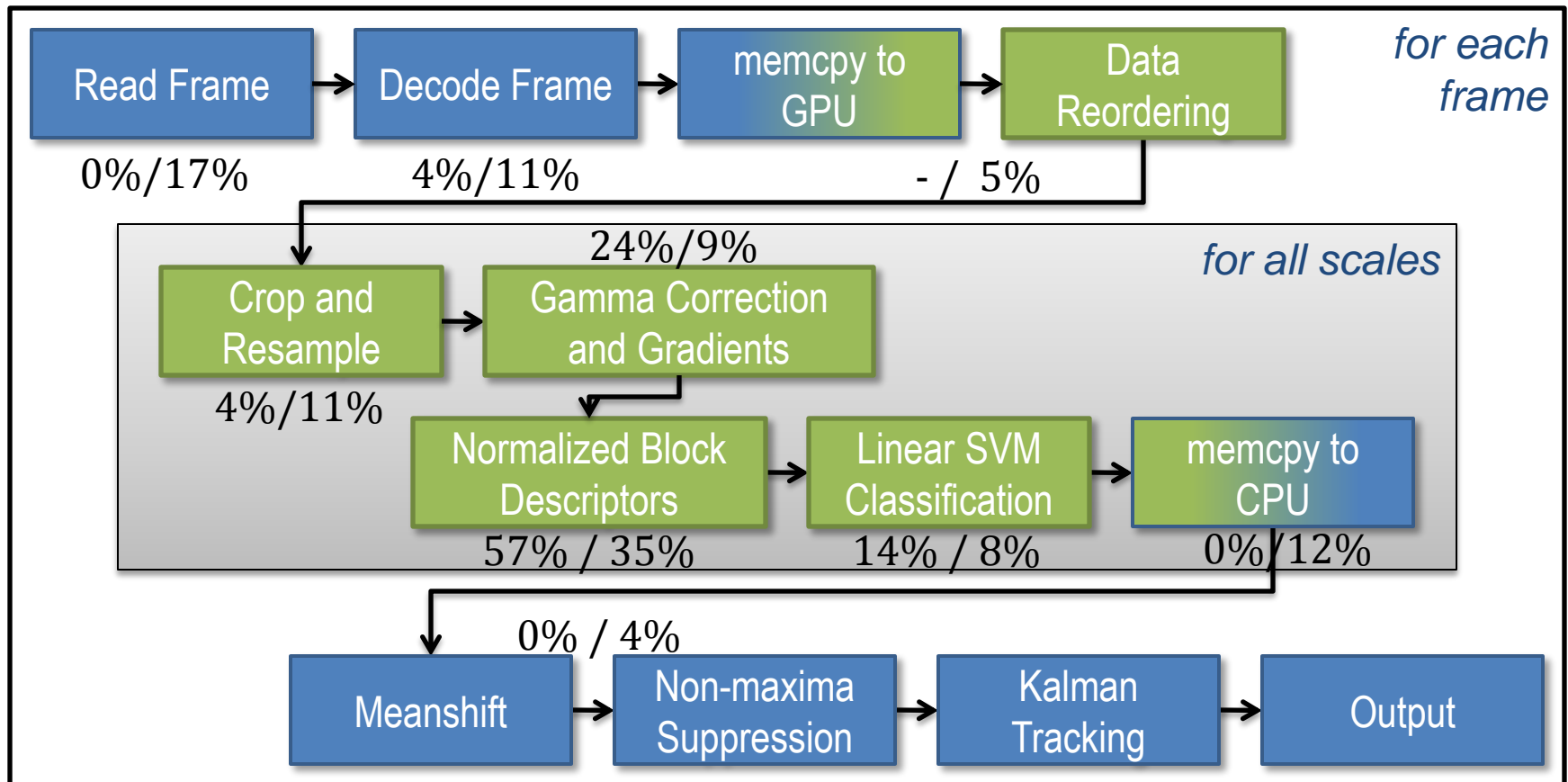


Training Data



Our CUDA Pipeline:

Percent Time per Module



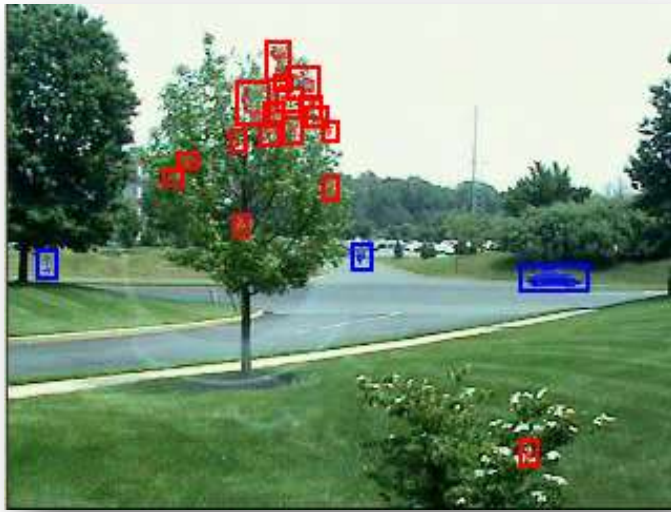
CPU vs. GPU Times:

Results from a Simplified Profiling Application

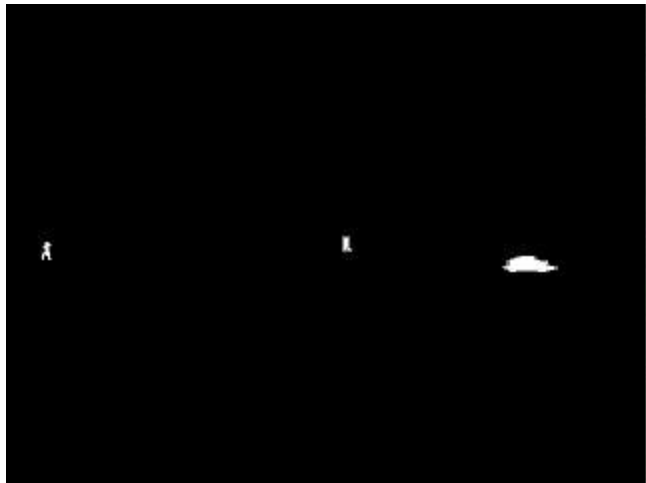
Processing Step	Time (CPU Impl.)		Time (GPU Impl.)		GPU Impl. Speedup
Read input (CPU)	68.0 ms	(0%)	68.0 ms	(17%)	
GPU resizer setup			18.1 ms	(5%)	
Resize	1,045.8 ms	(4%)	43.0 ms	(11%)	24.3×
Gradients	5,636.2 ms	(24%)	34.4 ms	(9%)	164.0×
Normalized block descriptors	13,412.3 ms	(57%)	137.2 ms	(35%)	97.7×
Window classification	3,159.1 ms	(14%)	31.4 ms	(8%)	100.6×
Cleanup	23.8 ms	(0%)	45.5 ms	(12%)	0.5×
Detection (CPU)	16.2 ms	(0%)	15.0 ms	(4%)	1.1×
TOTAL	23,082.4 ms		392.3 ms		58.8×

bgsub

Suppressing Spurious Detections



Results with Mittal & Paragios Traffic Clip



Ground truth, frame 150



Mittal and Paragios: 1 TP, 0 FP, 2 FN

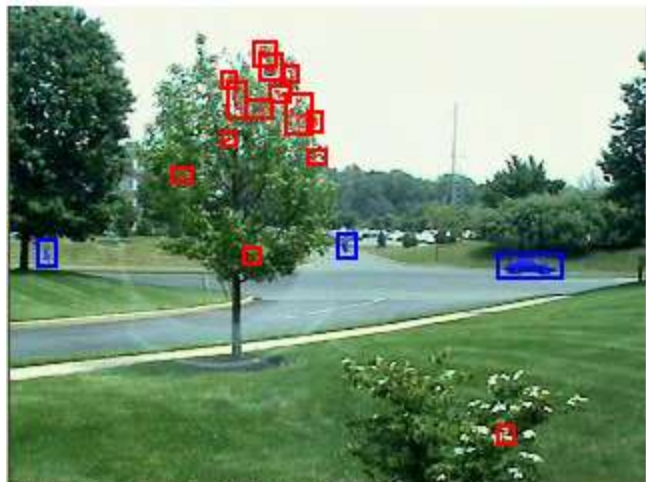
Key:

- **bboxes from ground truth**

- True positive

- False positive

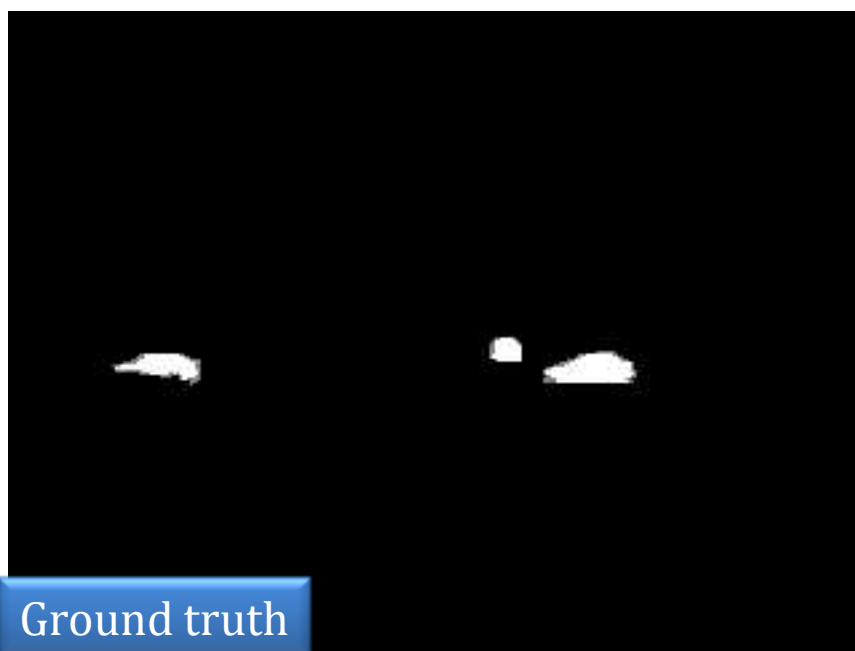
- False negative



MoG: 3 TP, 14 FP, 0 FN



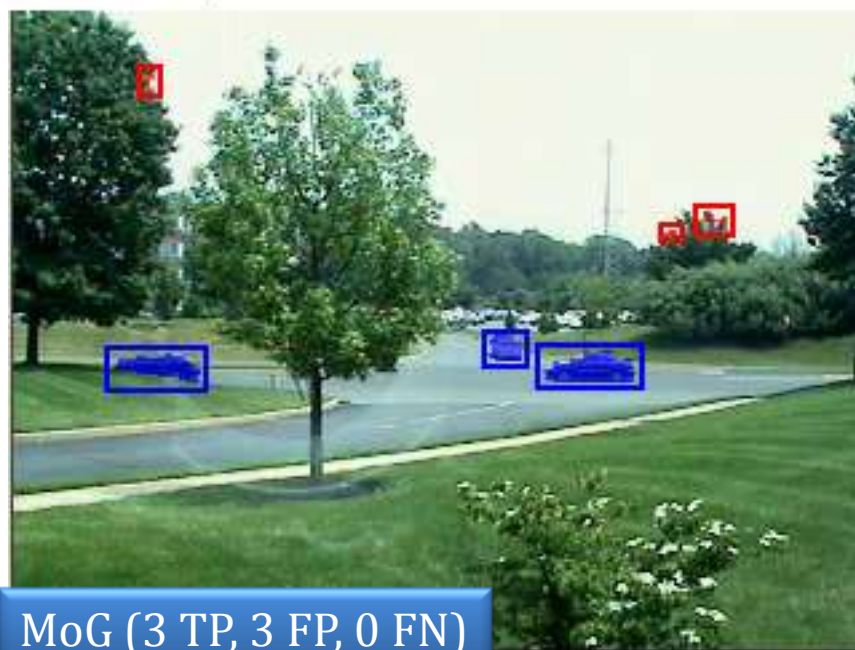
Ours: 3 TP, 0 FP, 0 FN



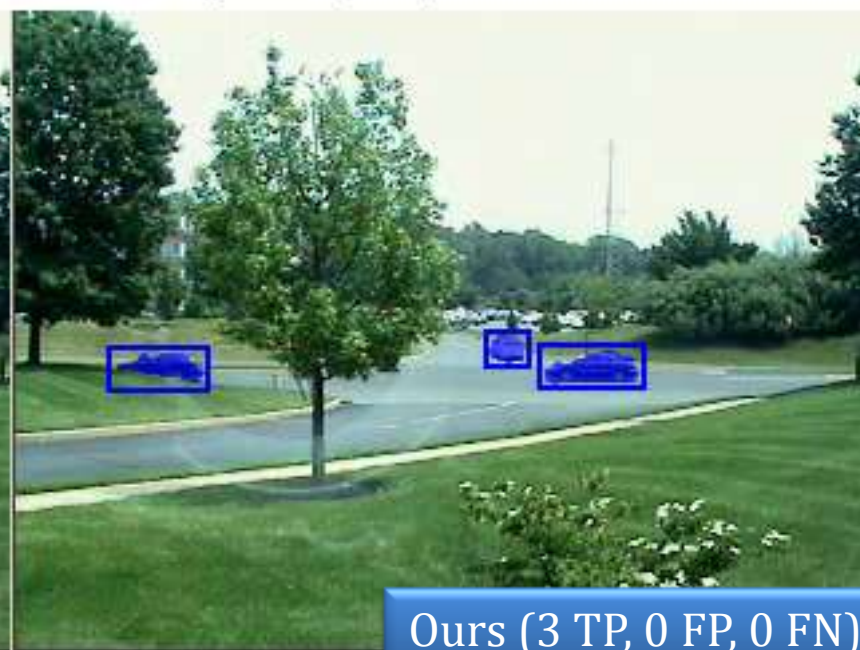
Ground truth



Mittal & Paragios (2 TP, 0 FP, 1 FN)



MoG (3 TP, 3 FP, 0 FN)



Ours (3 TP, 0 FP, 0 FN)

Our Model

- Mixture of Gaussians (MoG)

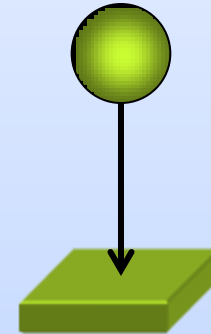
$$p(c_i | \Phi) \propto \sum_{j \in N_i} w_j \mathcal{N}(c_i; \mu_j, \Sigma_j)$$

c_i the observed color at pixel i

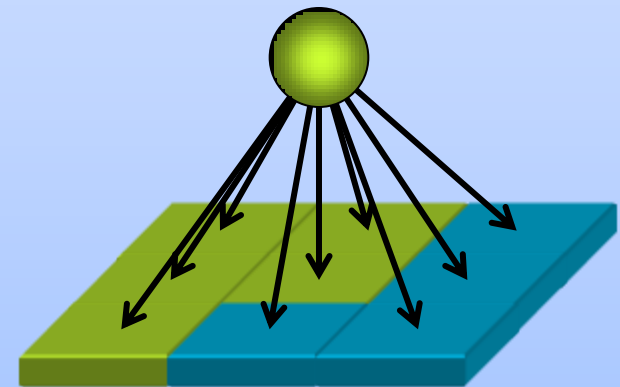
Φ the model $\{w_j, \mu_j, \Sigma_j\}_j$

N_i neighborhood of pixel i

Pixels Affected by a Given Mixture Component



Standard MoG

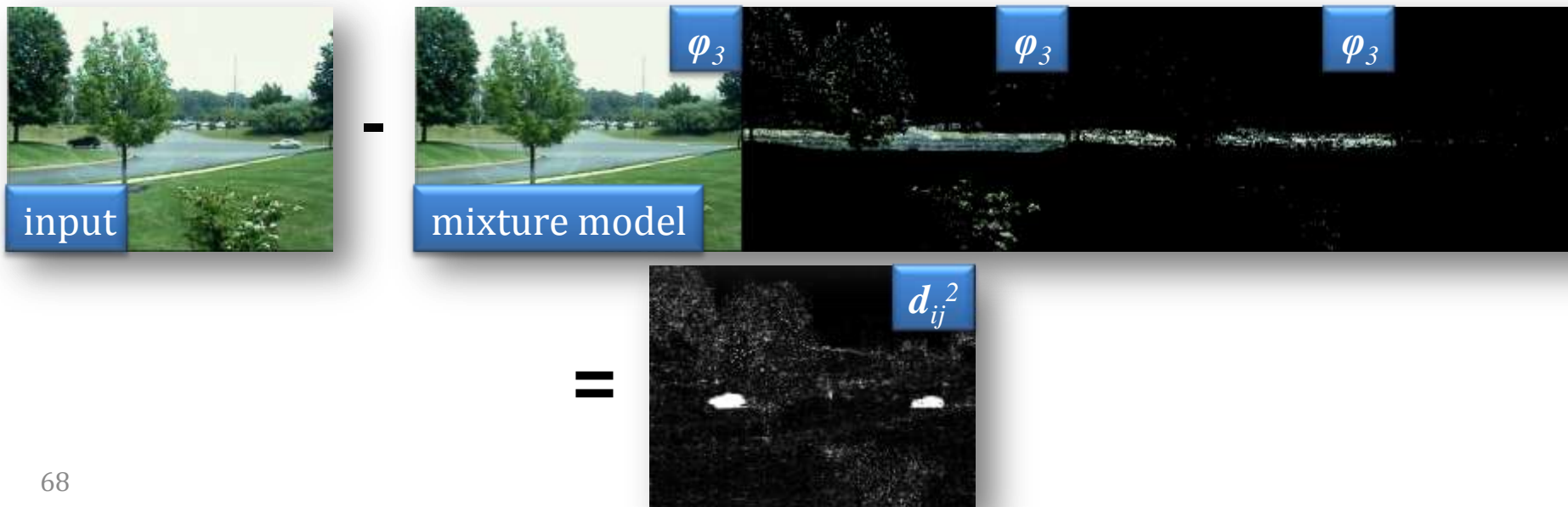


Ours

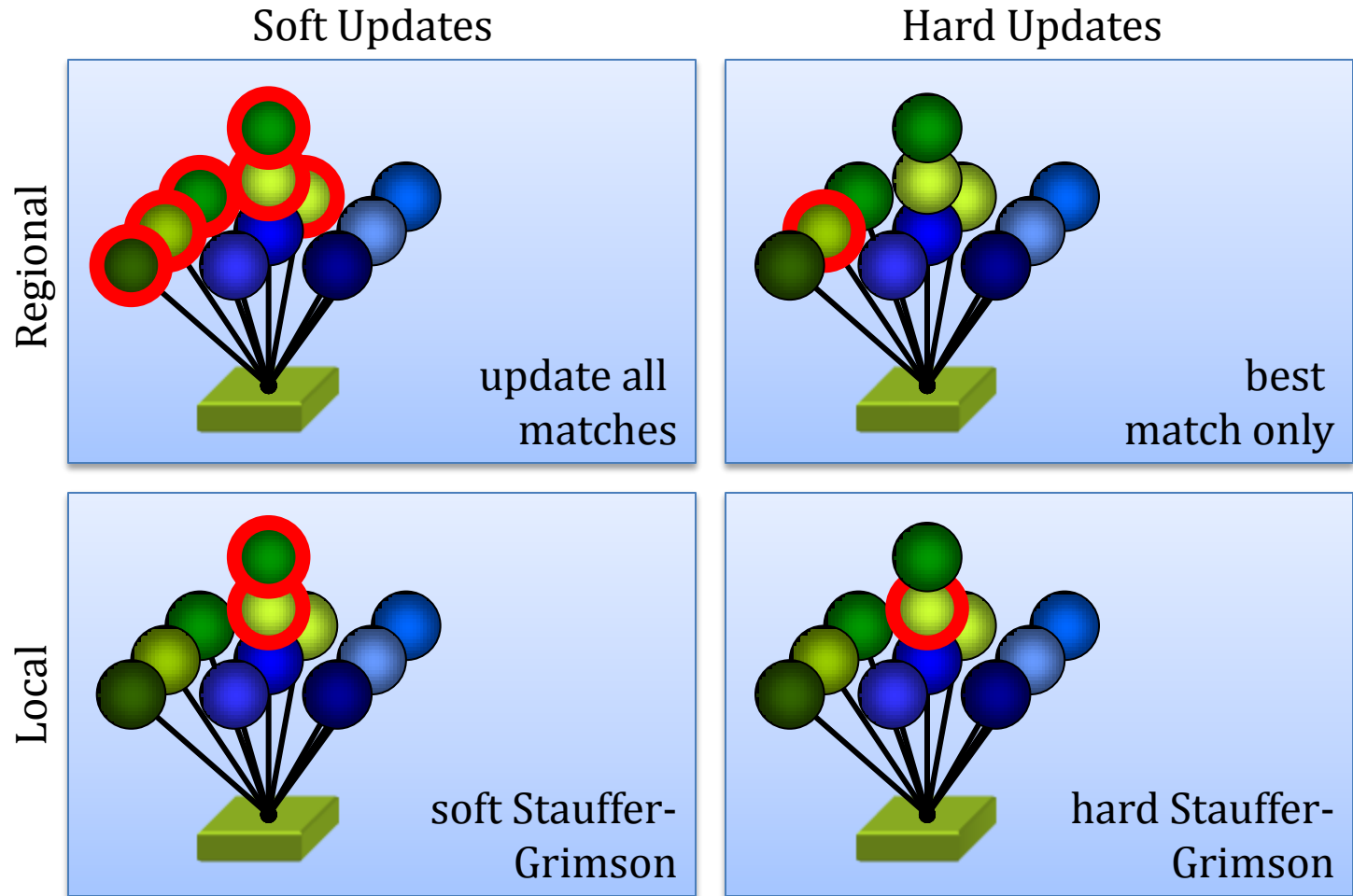
Foreground/Background Classification

- Find best matching background Gaussian, j
 - Use neighborhood
- Squared Mahalanobis Distance

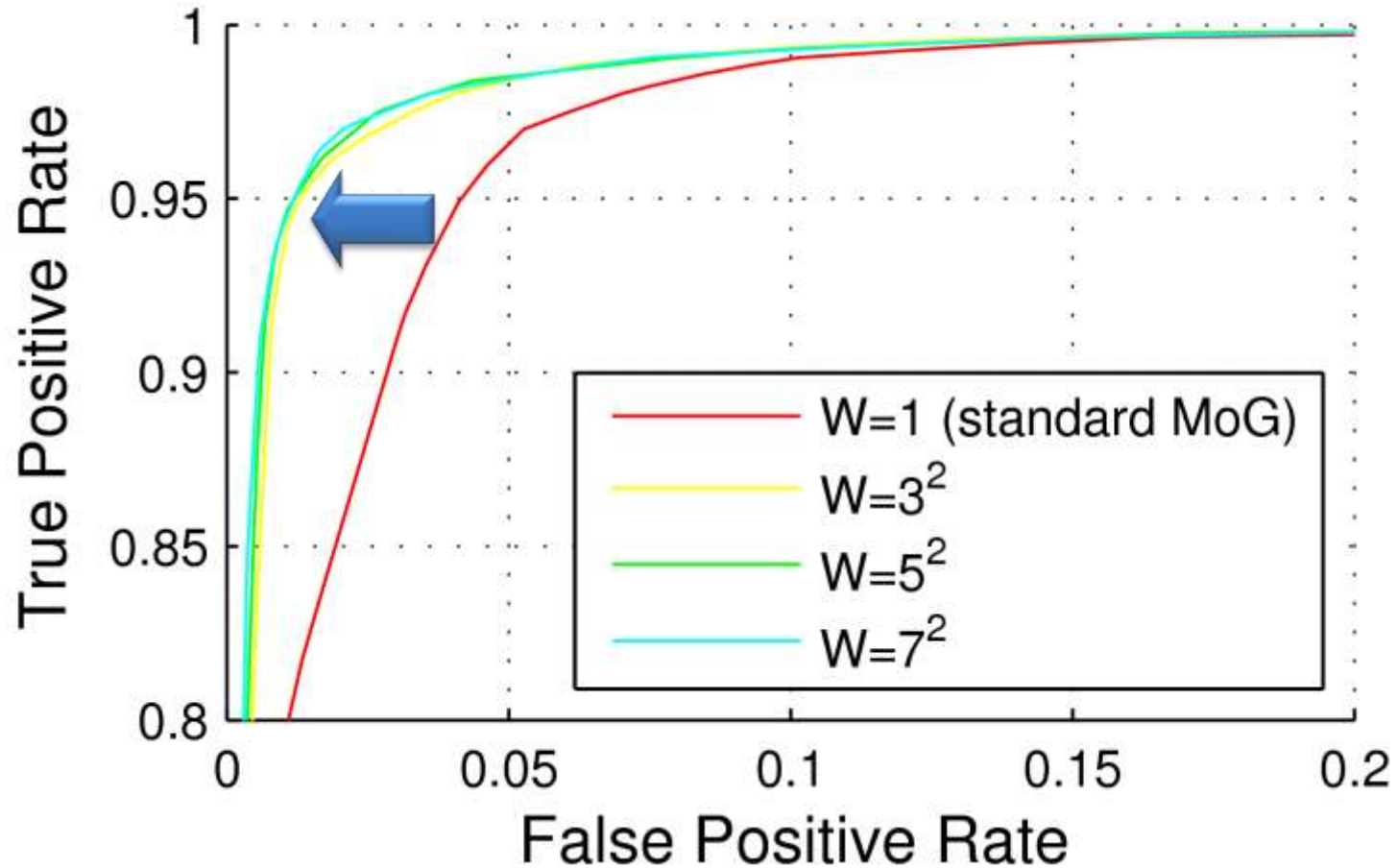
$$d_{ij} = (c_i - \mu_j)^T \Sigma_j^{-1} (c_i - \mu_j)$$



Model Update Options

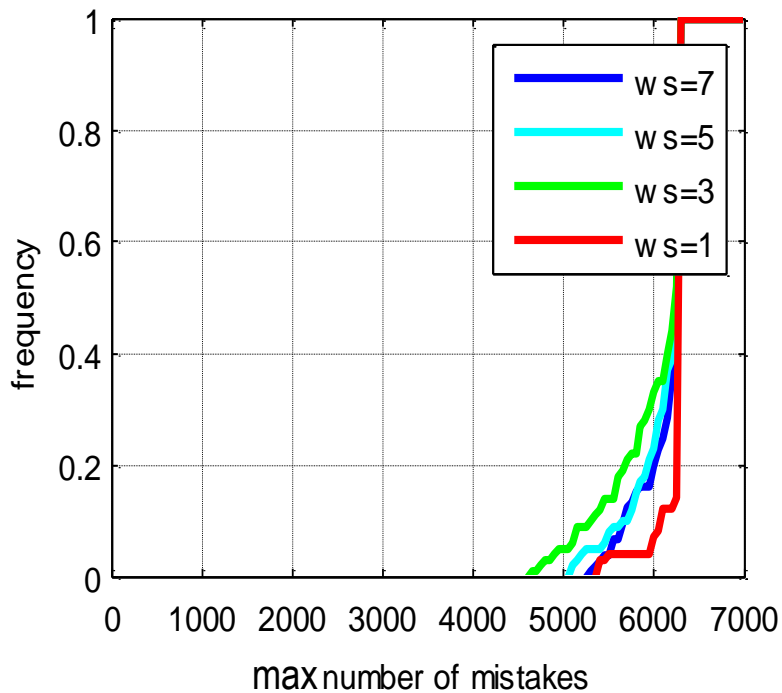


ROC (Wallflower)



Parameter Sensitivity

traffic



wallflower

