



Car Damage Detective

Assessing Car Damage with
Convolutional Neural Networks

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Objective: Use computer vision to accurately classify vehicle damage and facilitate claims triage



Can computer vision “see” car damage?

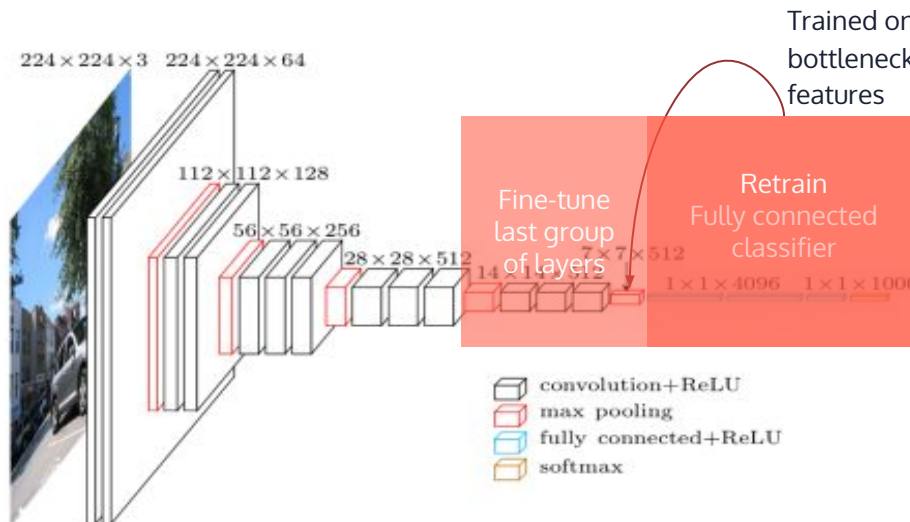
Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)

- ◇ VGG16 trained on Imagenet (14M images, 1000 classes)

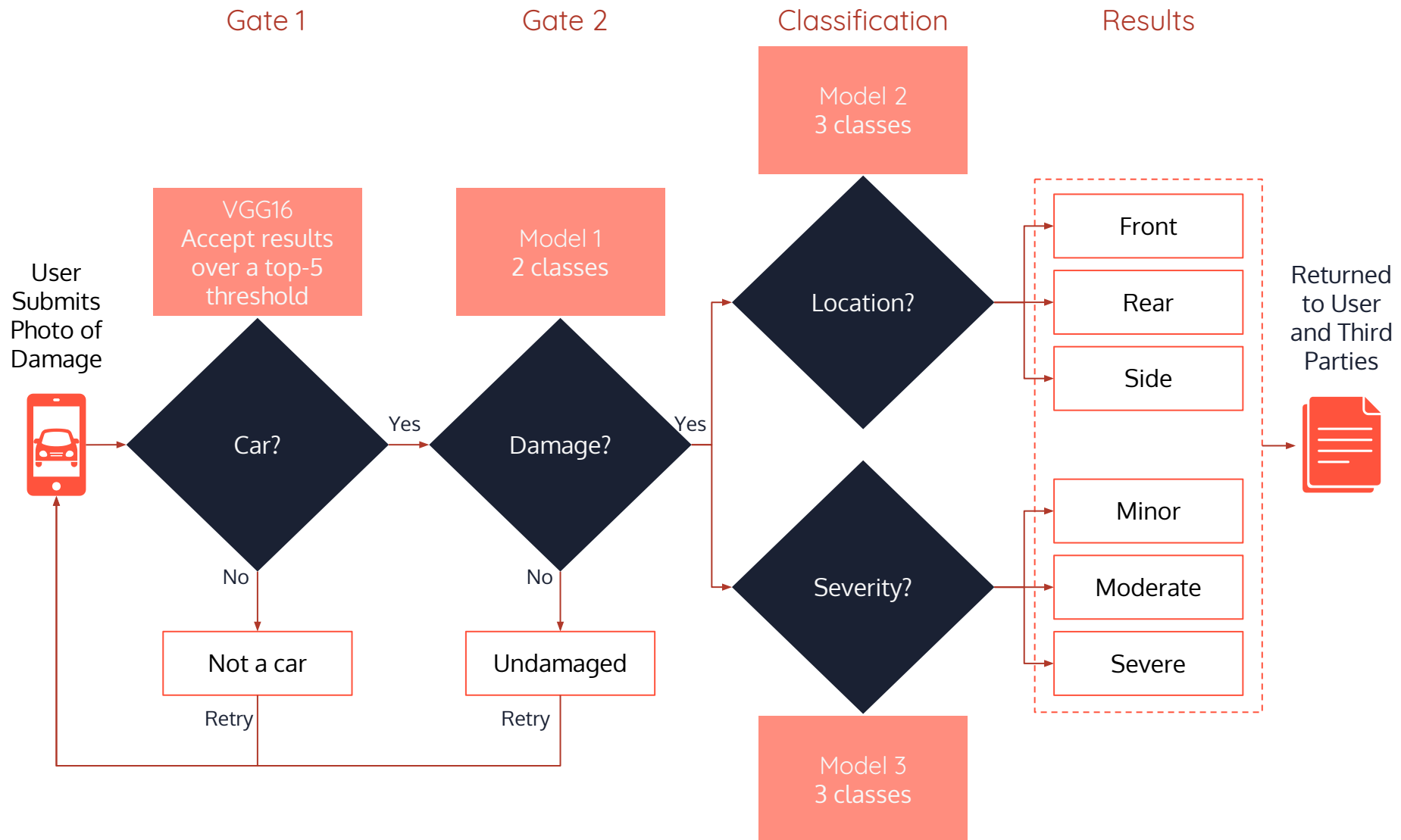
Transfer
learning

- + Train a fully-connected classifier on top of a pre-trained CNN
 - ◇ Allows training a CNN with as little as ~300 images per class
- + Fine-tuning
 - ◇ Tweaking the last convolutional block and retraining fully connected classifier with a very slow learning rate

VGG16
architecture



Developing a pipeline





Tools and frameworks used



Python
Programming
Language

Data Collection



Selenium
Webscraper



Google Images
Data Source



Stanford Car
Image Dataset
Data Source



1,150
Undamaged cars



1,150
Damaged cars

Model Development



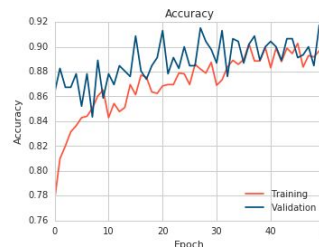
Amazon EC2
GPU Instance



Keras
Deep Learning
Library

theano

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Web Development



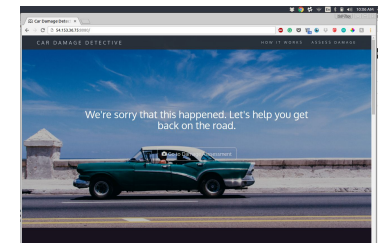
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Flask
Python Web
Framework



Bootstrap
HTML, CSS,
Javascript
Framework





Evaluating pipeline components

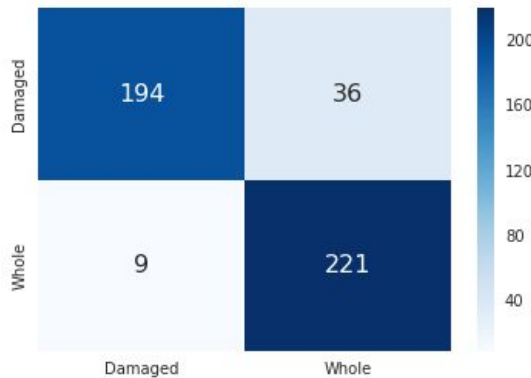
Model 1:

Damaged or whole?

92% accuracy

91% precision

90% recall



Diagnosis:

More damaged cars identified as whole

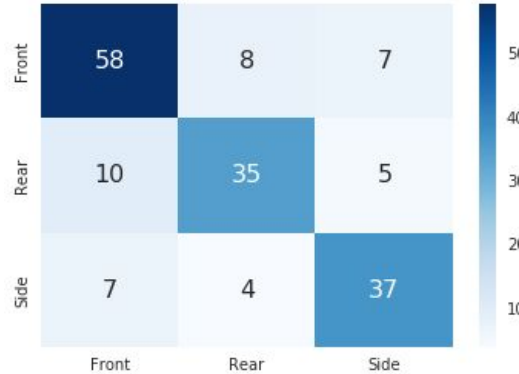
Model 2:

Damage location

79% accuracy

76% precision

76% recall



Diagnosis:

Ambiguous closeups of front/rear damage

Model 3:

Damage severity

71% accuracy

71% precision

69% recall



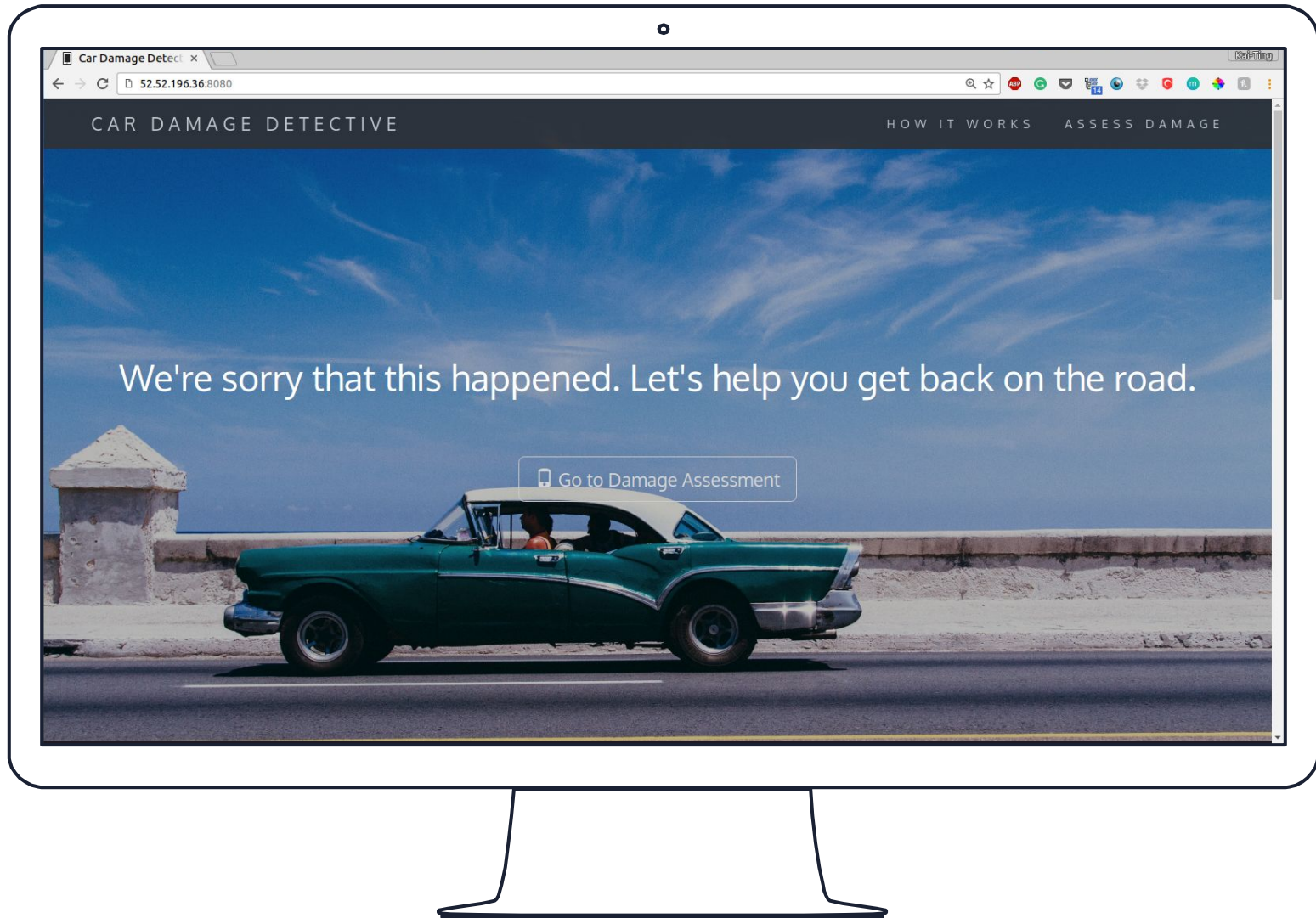
Diagnosis:

Subjective labeling criteria

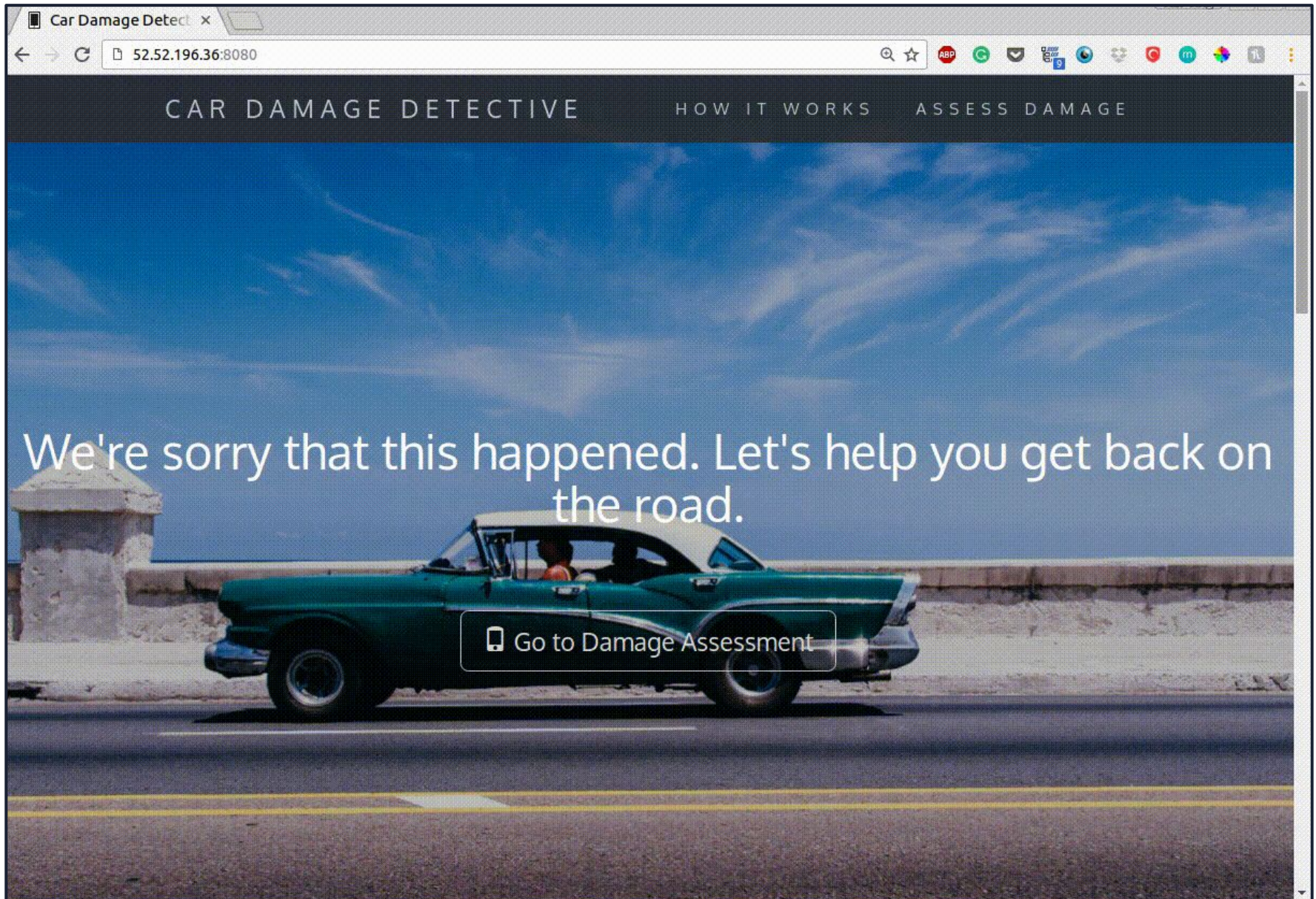
Choice of precision-recall threshold depends on perspective!

Car Damage Detective: Live!

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Conclusions and future work



- ◆ Convolutional neural networks are accurate at evaluating car damage - even trained on only 1,150 damaged car images
- ◆ With a higher quality dataset (including make and model, location information, repair cost, etc.), we could go one step further and predict the cost of damage based on the image



Thank you!

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