# 기계학습 (2022년도 2학기)

**Ensemble II** 

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# **Boosting**

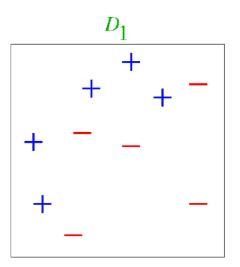
- Recall that an ensemble is a set of predictors whose individual decisions are combined in some way to classify new examples.
- (Previous lecture) Bagging: Train classifiers independently on random subsets of the training data.
- (This lecture) Boosting: Train classifiers sequentially, each time focusing on training data points that were previously misclassified.
- Let us start with the concept of weak learner/classifier (or base classifiers).

# Weak Learner/Classifier

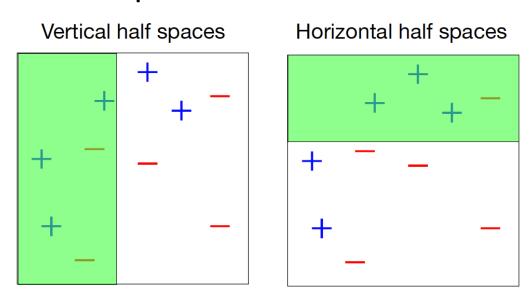
- (Informal) Weak learner is a learning algorithm that outputs a hypothesis (e.g., a classifier) that performs slightly better than chance
  - e.g., it predicts the correct label with probability 0.6. (이진 분류에서 단순히 추측해서 맞추는 확률(즉 0.5)보다 약간 더 좋은 정도의 예측 성능을 가진 모델)
- We are interested in weak learners that are computationally efficient.
  - Decision trees
  - Even simpler: Decision Stump: A decision tree with only a single split

[Formal definition of weak learnability has quantifies such as "for any distribution over data" and the requirement that its guarantee holds only probabilistically.]

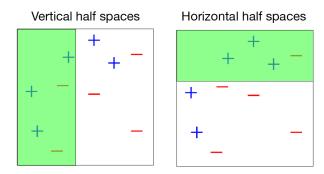
### **Weak Classifiers**



■ These weak classifiers, which are decision stumps, consist of the set of horizontal and vertical half spaces.



#### **Weak Classifiers**



- A single weak classifier is not capable of making the training error very small. It only performs slightly better than chance
  - i.e., the error of classifier h according to the given weights  $w=(w_1,\ldots,w_N)$  (with  $\sum_{i=1}^N w_i=1$  and  $w_i\geq 0$ )

$$\operatorname{err} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i \mathbb{I}\{h(\mathbf{x}_i) \neq y_i\}$$

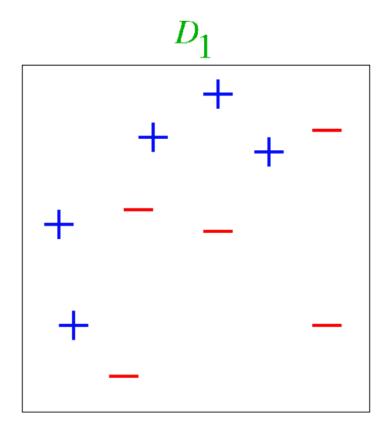
is at most  $\frac{1}{2} - \gamma$  for some  $\gamma > 0$ .

- Can we combine a set of weak classifiers in order to make a better ensemble of classifiers?
- Boosting: Train classifiers sequentially, each time focusing on training data points that were previously misclassified.

# **AdaBoost (Adaptive Boosting)**

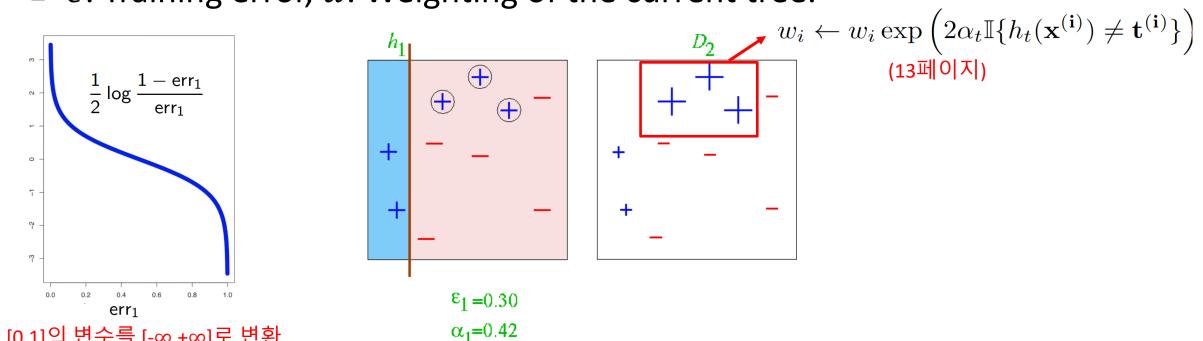
- Key steps of AdaBoost:
  - 1. At each iteration we re-weight the training samples by assigning larger weights to samples (i.e., data points) that were classified incorrectly.
  - 2. We train a new weak classifier based on the re-weighted samples.
  - 3. We add this weak classifier to the ensemble of classifiers. This is our new classifier.
  - 4. Weight each weak classifier in the ensemble with some weights.
  - 5. We repeat the process many times.
- The weak learner needs to minimize weighted error.
- AdaBoost reduces bias by making each classifier focus on previous mistakes.

■ Training data



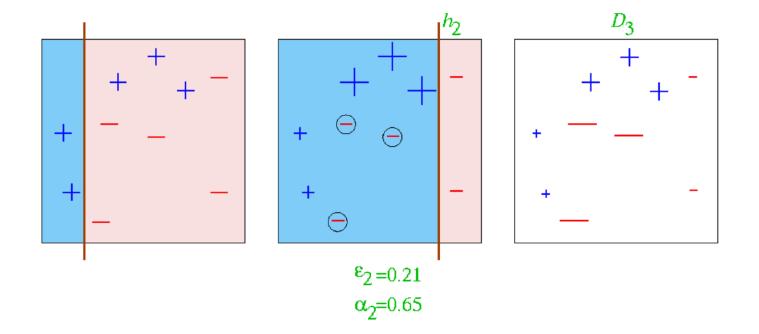
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- Round 1
- $\epsilon$ : Training error,  $\alpha$ : Weighting of the current tree.



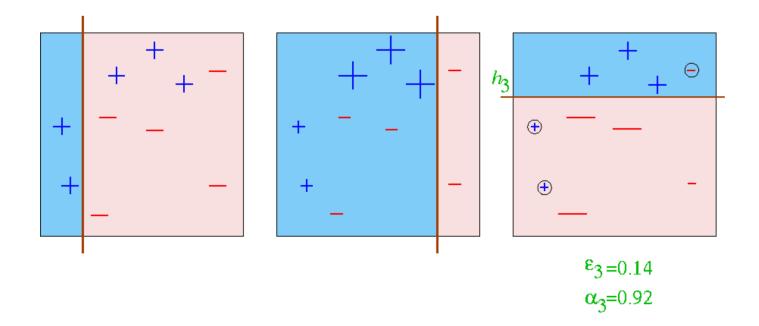
$$\mathbf{w} = \left(\frac{1}{10}, \dots, \frac{1}{10}\right) \Rightarrow \text{Train a classifier (using } \mathbf{w}) \Rightarrow \text{err}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{10} w_i \mathbb{I}\{h_1(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \neq t^{(i)}\}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i} = \frac{3}{10}$$
$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - \text{err}_1}{\text{err}_1} = \frac{1}{2} \log (\frac{1}{0.3} - 1) \approx 0.42 \Rightarrow H(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign} (\alpha_1 h_1(\mathbf{x}))$$

#### Round 2



$$\mathbf{w} = \text{updated weights} \Rightarrow \text{Train a classifier (using } \mathbf{w}) \Rightarrow \text{err}_2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{10} w_i \mathbb{I}\{h_2(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \neq t^{(i)}\}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i} = 0.21$$
$$\Rightarrow \alpha_2 = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - \text{err}_3}{\text{err}_2} = \frac{1}{2} \log (\frac{1}{0.21} - 1) \approx 0.66 \Rightarrow H(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign} (\alpha_1 h_1(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha_2 h_2(\mathbf{x}))$$

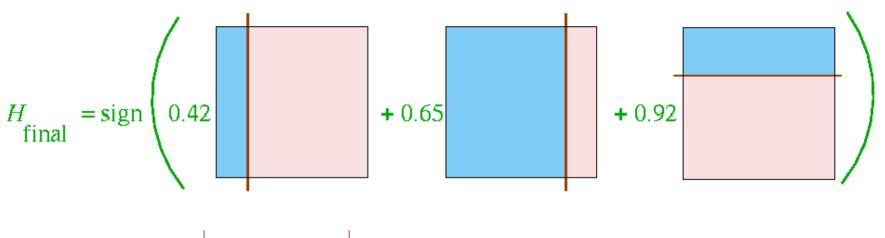
#### Round 3

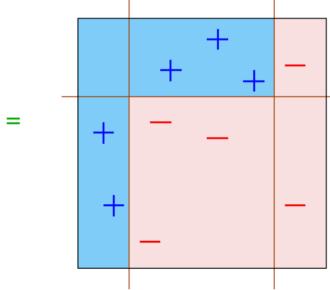


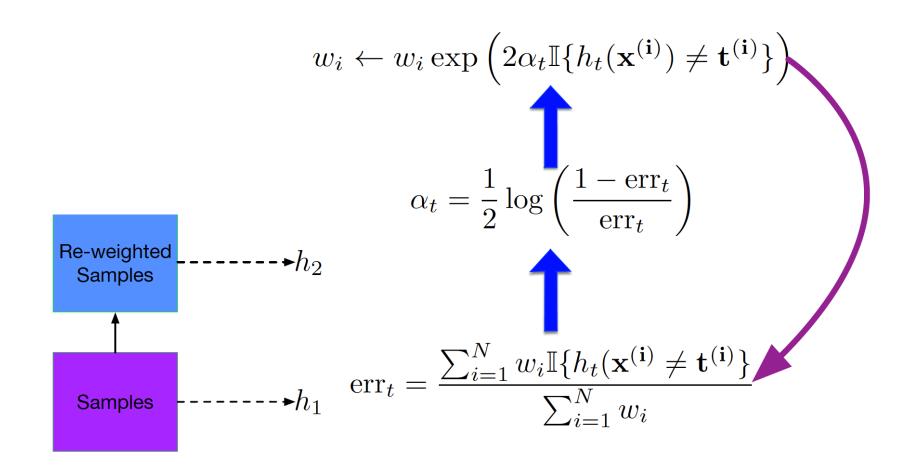
$$\mathbf{w} = \text{updated weights} \Rightarrow \text{Train a classifier (using } \mathbf{w}) \Rightarrow \text{err}_3 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{10} w_i \mathbb{I}\{h_3(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \neq t^{(i)}\}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i} = 0.14$$

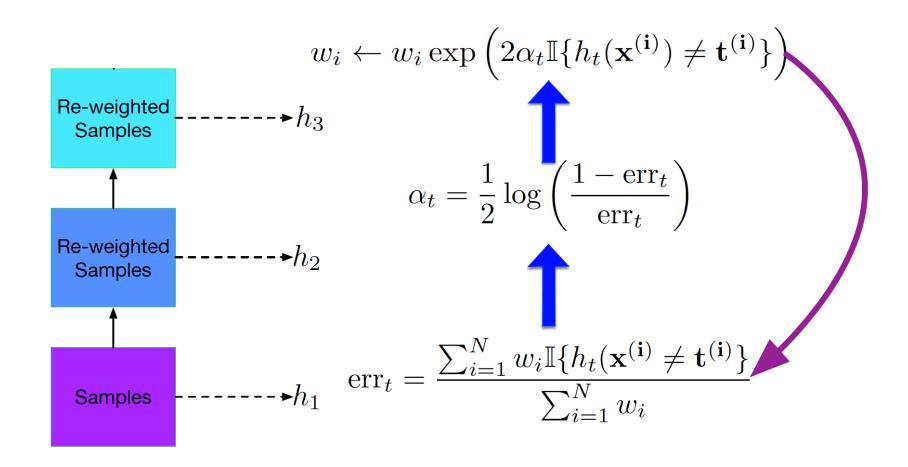
$$\Rightarrow \alpha_3 = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - \operatorname{err}_3}{\operatorname{err}_2} = \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1}{0.14} - 1 \right) \approx 0.91 \Rightarrow H(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{sign} \left( \alpha_1 h_1(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha_2 h_2(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha_3 h_3(\mathbf{x}) \right)$$

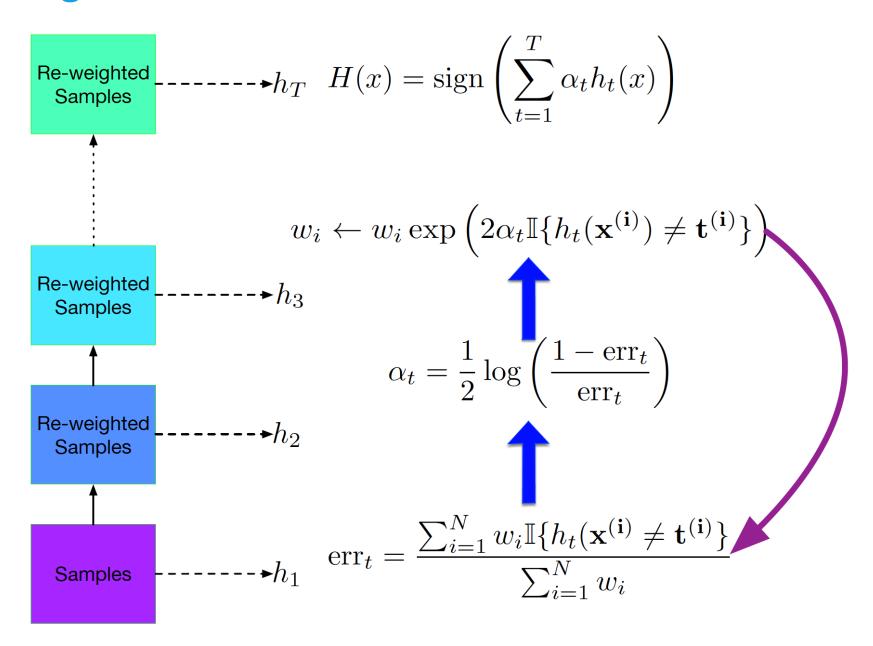
### ■ Final classifier











- Input: Data  $D_N = \left\{x^{(i)}, t^{(i)}\right\}_{i=1}^N$ , weak classifier WeakLearn (a classification procedure that return a classifier from base hypothesis space H with  $h: x \to \{-1, +1\}$  for  $h \in H$ ), number of iterations T
- Output: Classifier H(x)
- Initialize sample weights:  $w_i = \frac{1}{N}$  for i = 1, ..., N

For 
$$t = 1, \ldots, T$$

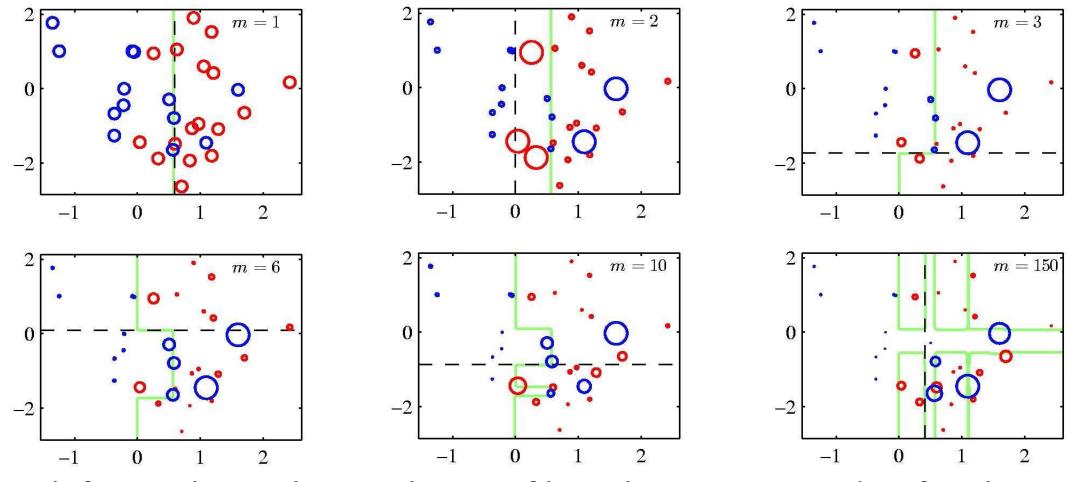
Fit a classifier to data using weighted samples  $(h_t \leftarrow WeakLearn(\mathcal{D}_N, \mathbf{w}))$ , e.g.,

$$h_t \leftarrow \operatorname*{argmin}_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i \mathbb{I}\{h(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \neq t^{(i)}\}$$

- ► Compute weighted error err<sub>t</sub> =  $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i \mathbb{I}\{h_t(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \neq t^{(i)}\}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i}$
- ▶ Compute classifier coefficient  $\alpha_t = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\bar{1} \text{err}_t}{\text{err}_t}$
- Update data weights

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i \exp\left(-\alpha_t t^{(i)} h_t(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})\right) \left[ \equiv w_i \exp\left(2\alpha_t \mathbb{I}\{h_t(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \neq t^{(i)}\}\right) \right]$$

Return 
$$H(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{sign}\left(\sum_{t=1}^{T} \alpha_t h_t(\mathbf{x})\right)$$



■ Each figure shows the number *m* of base learners trained so far, the decision of the most recent learner (dashed black), and the boundary of the ensemble (green)

# **AdaBoost Minimizes the Training Error**

#### Theorem

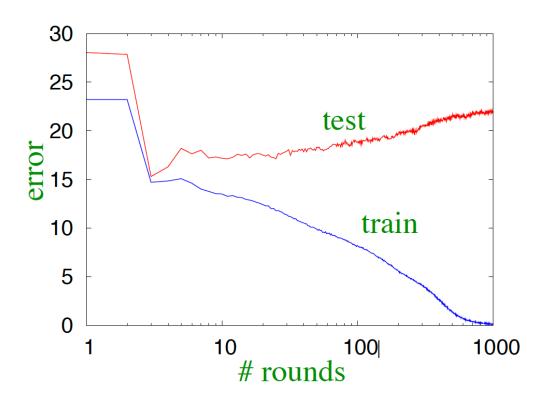
Assume that at each iteration of AdaBoost the WeakLearn returns a hypothesis with error  $\operatorname{err}_t \leq \frac{1}{2} - \gamma$  for all  $t = 1, \ldots, T$  with  $\gamma > 0$ . The training error of the output hypothesis  $H(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{sign}\left(\sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t h_t(\mathbf{x})\right)$  is at most

$$L_N(H) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}\{H(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \neq t^{(i)})\} \leq \exp\left(-2\gamma^2 T\right).$$

- This is under the simplifying assumption that each weak learner is better than a random predictor.
- Analyzing the convergence of AdaBoost is generally difficult.

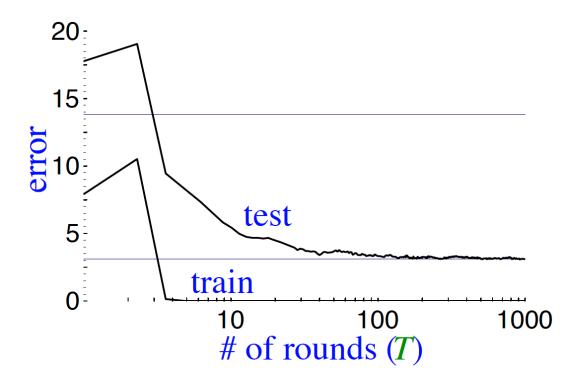
#### **Generalization Error of AdaBoost**

- AdaBoost's training error (loss) converges to zero. What about the test error of H?
- As we add more weak classifiers, the overall classifier *H* becomes more "complex".
- We expect more complex classifiers overfit.
- If one runs AdaBoost long enough, it can in fact overfit.



#### **Generalization Error of AdaBoost**

- But often it does not.
- Sometimes the test error decreases even after the training error is zero!



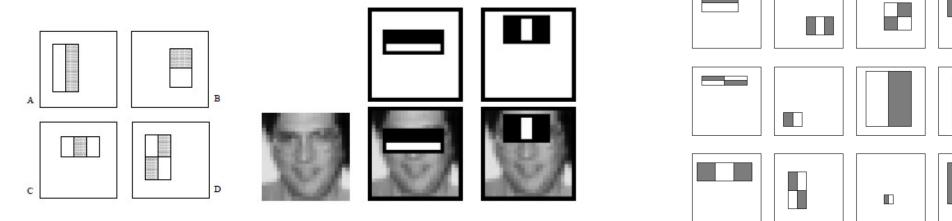
- How does that happen?
- We will provide an alternative viewpoint on AdaBoost later in the course.

#### **AdaBoost for Face Detection**

- Famous application of boosting: detecting faces in images (identification은 그 다음 단계)
- Viola and Jones created a very fast face detector that can be scanned across a large image to find the faces.
- The base classifier/weak learner just compares the total intensity in a rectangular filter.

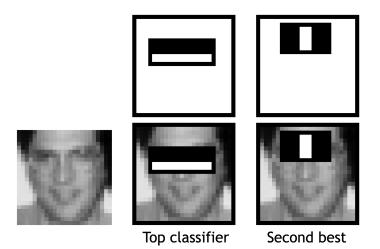
• 24x24 영상에서 4개의 Haar-like feature 조합으로 160000 개 이상의 feature 추출

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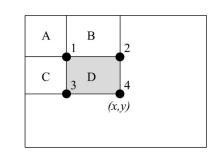


#### **AdaBoost for Face Detection**

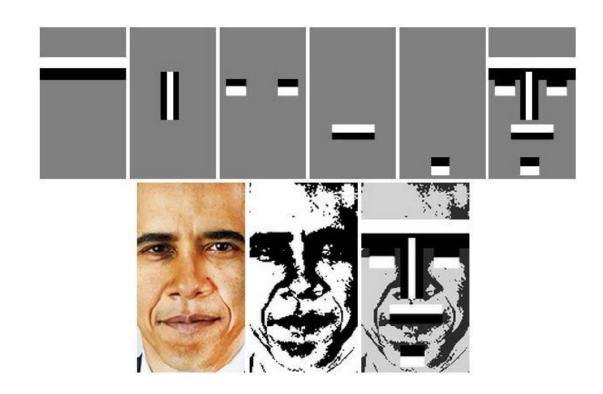
- At test time, it is impractical to evaluate the entire feature set
- How can we create a good classifier using just a small subset of all possible features?
  - 각 Haar filter 를 weak classifier로 사용하는 Boosting을 이용하여 분별력 높은 특징을 선택
  - Feature 값의 크기만을 판단하는 루트 노드만 가진 decision tree 사용
- Integral image trick for evaluating the dot product very fast
- A few twists on standard algorithm
  - Pre-define weak classifiers, so optimization=selection
  - Smart way to do inference in real-time (in 2001 hardware)

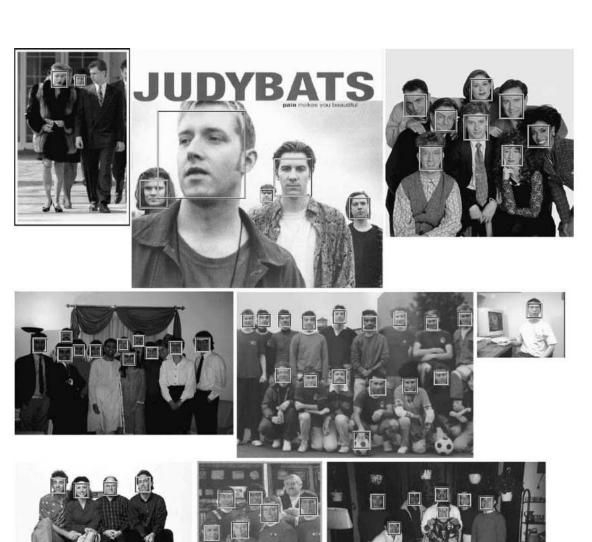






### **AdaBoost Face Detection Results**





# **Summary**

- Boosting reduces bias by generating an ensemble of weak classifiers.
- Each classifier is trained to reduce errors of previous ensemble.
- It is quite resilient to overfitting, though it can overfit.
- We will later provide a loss minimization viewpoint to AdaBoost. It allows us to derive other boosting algorithms for regression, ranking, etc.

# **Ensembles Recap**

- Ensembles combine classifiers to improve performance
- Bagging
  - Reduces variance (large ensemble can't cause overfitting)
  - Bias is not changed (much)
  - Parallel
  - Want to minimize correlation between ensemble elements.
- Boosting
  - Reduces bias
  - Increases variance (large ensemble can cause overfitting)
  - Sequential
  - High dependency between ensemble elements
- Next Lecture: Linear Regression