Ilastik Profiling Report

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Cross-validation tests with varying numbers of trees and different features were conducted to optimize the running time of Ilastik. Five different data sets were used to run these tests, with each case containing 2 or 3 videos. Fifty frames were labeled for each video and used as ground-truth data for cross-validation. In figure 1 we can observe the classification results with different number of trees for the case of Virilis A larvae:

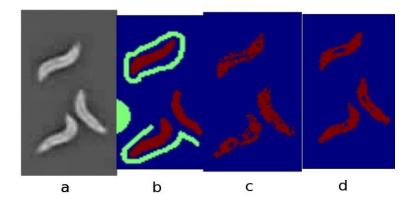


Figure 1: a) Frame screen-shot b) Ground-truth labels c) Prediction with 1 tree d) Prediction with 50 trees

In the following sections each feature is represented by an abbreviation, followed by sigma (eg. *GS*(10.0) means Gaussian smoothing with sigma 10.0):

Gaussian Smoothing	GS
Laplacian of Gaussian	LG
Gaussian Gradient Magnitude	GGM
Difference of Gaussians	DG
Structure Tensor Eigenvalues	STE
Hessian of Gaussian Eigenvalues	HGE

Feature Selection Test

The objective of this test is to select the optimal features that will result in the fastest running-time while maintaining an acceptable cross-validation error. For each case, features were removed gradually according to their importance.

Some notes on the results:

- The RF importance table is re-calculated every time a feature is removed.
- The total time corresponds to the time for feature computation plus prediction, and doesn't include training time.
- The time improvement is a comparison against the running time of the test case with all the features activated.

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Test Case Alice's Courtship Bowl	Resolution (px) 1024x1024		Features Remaining LG(3.5), De(5.5), D(6.0) STE(1.0), HGE(5.0)	Training Time (secs) 19.110656	Feature Time (secs) 58.49				Time Improvement (X Times) 3.25		Foreground / Background Pixel Ratio 113
Alice's Fly Bowl	1024x1024	0.075GGM(10.0), LG(0.7) GGM(3.5), LG(10.0), GGM(5.0) STE(10.0), GS(1.6), DG(0.7) DG(10.0), GS(0.7), GGM(1.6) HGE(0.7), GS(0.5), GS(1.0) LG(1.0), STE(1.0), STE(0.7) GS(10.0), STE(1.0), STE(0.7) DG(1.0), LG(1.6), GS(6.0) GGM(1.0), HGE(10.0), STE(1.6) DG(1.6), LG(5.0), GGM(0.7) DG(1.6), LG(5.0), LG(0.7)	STE(3.5), HGE(3.5), LG(3.5) DG(3.5)	16.44293	31.59	29.36	77.39	1.18	4.5	704711	141
Alice's Fly Bubble	1024x1024	0.164 GGM(5.0), LG(0.7), DG(0.7) GGM(1.0), GGM(3.5), DG(1.0) HGE(0.7), LG(1.0), HGE(1.6) DG(1.6), HGE(1.0), GGM(1.6), LG(1.6), GGM(1.0), GS(3.5), LG(3.5), GGM(0.7), STE(0.7) STE(1.0), DG(5.0), STE(1.6) STE(3.5), GS(5.0), STE(5.0) STE(1.00), HGE(3.5), DG(3.5) LG(5.0), HGE(5.0), GS(1.0) GS(0.3)	GS(0.7), GS(1.6), GS(10.0) LG(10.0), DG(10.0), HGE(10.0)	14.50312	72.90	23.11	110.52	2.25	3.2	753950	44
Rivera's Larvae	480x640	9.435 DG(0.7), DG(10.0) LG(0.7), GS(0.3), GS(1.0) DG(5.0), LG(10.0), GGM(1.6) LG(5.0), GGM(3.5), GS(0.7) GS(1.6), GS(5.0), GS(3.5) GS(10.0), GGM(5.0), HGE(0.7) LG(3.5), DG(3.5), GGM(1.0) DG(1.0), LG(1.6), LG(1.0) DG(1.6), STE(5.0), HGE(1.6) GGM(0.7), STE(1.6)	STE(0.7), HGE(1.0), HGE(5.0) HGE(3.5), GGM(10.0), STE(10.0)	30.811401	23.64	9.42	63.87	0.96	3.7	724720	149
Zlatic's Larvae	2816x2816	0.27 DG(0.7), LG(0.7), HGE(0.7) DG(1.0), LG(1.0), GGM(1.0) GGM(0.7), HGE(1.0), DG(1.6) LG(1.0), GGM(1.0), GGM(3.5) HGE(1.0), STE(0.7), STE(3.5) STE(1.6), GGM(5.0), GGM(10.0) DG(3.5), STE(5.0), STE(1.0) GS(0.3), DG(5.0), HGE(10.0) GS(10.0), STE(10.0)	LG(3.5), CS(0.7), CS(5.0) GS(3.5), HcG(3.5), LG(10.0) DG(10.0), LG(5.0), GS(1.0) HGE(5.0), GS(1.6)	299.321154				14.50	2.8	3336278	97
Roian's Mice	840x840	0.21 Oc(0.7), LG(0.7) HCE(0.7), STE(0.7), DG(1.6) DG(1.0), GGM(0.7), LG(1.0) GGM(1.6), GGM(1.0), HGE(1.0) STE(1.6), DG(3.5), LG(3.5) GGM(3.5), DG(5.0), HGE(3.5) HGE(5.0), LG(5.0), STE(3.5) GS(0.3), GGM(5.0), STE(5.0) GS(0.7), DG(1.0), STE(1.0) LG(1.0), SS(1.0.0)	HGE(10.0), GGM(10.0), GS(5.0) GS(1.0), GS(3.5)	56.372587	57.41	22.63	136.42	1.19	3.9	1224050	32

Increasing Number of Trees Test

The objective of this test is to select the number of trees that will result in the fastest running-time while maintaining an acceptable cross-validation error.

Some notes on these tests:

- Every test ran with all the features activated.
- The time improvement is a comparison against the running time of the test case with 100 trees.
- The total time corresponds to the running time for feature computation and prediction, and doesn't include training time.

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Test Case	Resolution (px)	CV Error (%)	Number of Trees	Training Time (secs)	Feature Time (secs)	Prediction Time (secs)	Total Time (secs)	Time Per Frame (secs)	Feature Time Gain	Prediction Time Gain	Total Time Gain	Foreground Pixels Num	Background Pixels Num
Alice's Courtship Bowl	1024x1024	0.0854	20	67.03	116.4	46.26	162.66	3.25	1.02	1.60	1.19	4565	541894
Alice's Fly Bowl	1024x1024	0.049	17	74.32	118.04	31.63	149.67	2.99	1.03	2.18	1.27	5144	699567
Alice's Fly Bubble	1024x1024	0.14	11	76.46	118.06	31.35	149.41	2.99	1.01	2.52	1.32	16188	737762
Rivera's Larvae	480x640	0.337	20	97.45	70.94	27.72	98.66	1.97	0.99	1.52	2 1.14	4827	719893
Roian's Mice	840x840	0.28	15	161.58	78.93	24.94	103.87	2.08	1.01	2.27	1.31	37216	1186834

Comparison of Running-Times for Each Feature

The following plot compares the running-times for each feature.

Running-Time Percentage per Feature

