

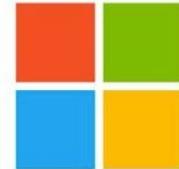
# Turbo: Opportunistic Enhancement for Edge Video Analytics

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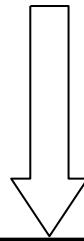
# Outline

- ❑ **Background of edge video analytics**
- ❑ **Opportunities for existing VAPs**
  - ❑ Idle computing resources
  - ❑ Hard samples
  - ❑ Image (Data) enhancement
- ❑ **Turbo**
  - ❑ Detector-specific GAN & Model-aware adversarial training
  - ❑ Resource-aware scheduler
- ❑ **Experiments**
- ❑ **Summary**

# Video is everywhere



Sensors



Video Analytics

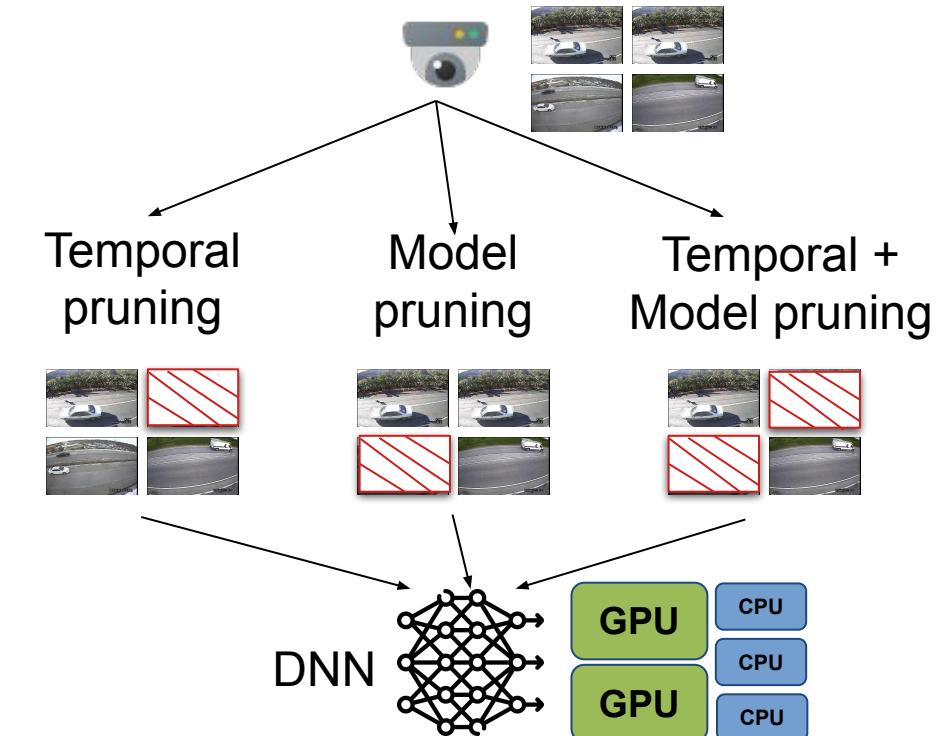
Diverse applications



# Move to edge

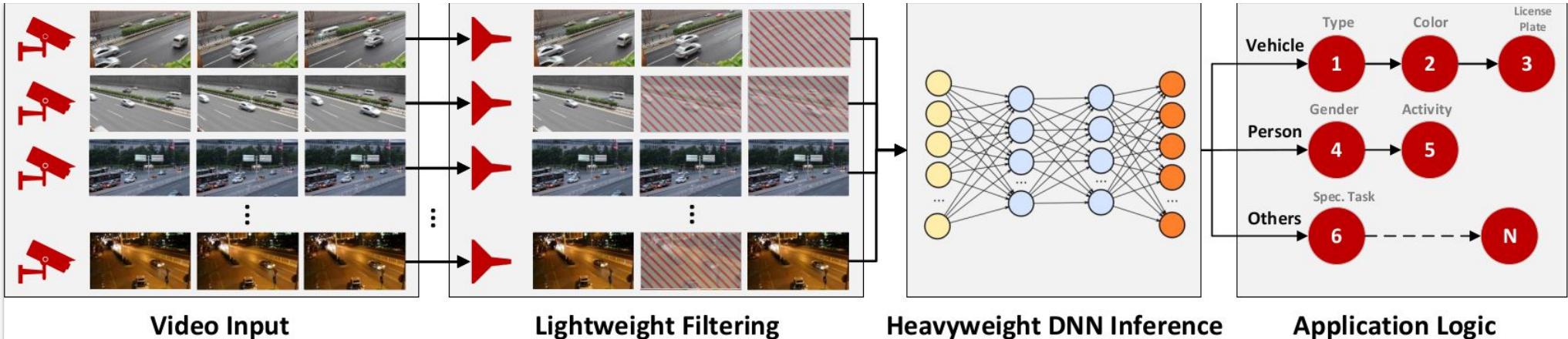


Edge Video  
Analytics Pipelines  
(2015~2020)



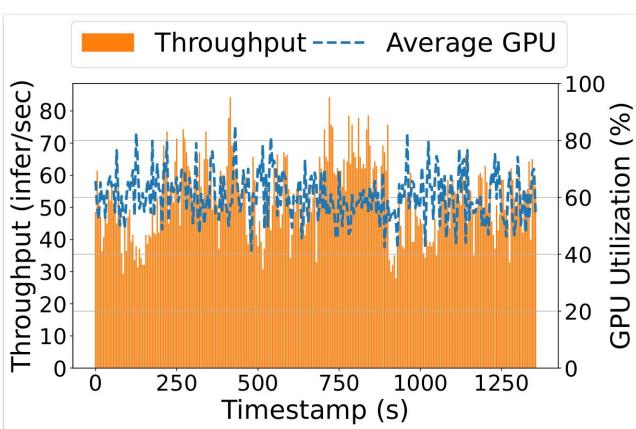
How many resources?  
Usually, they are set to meet 4 fps instead of 2 or 3 fps!

# Idle resources are common

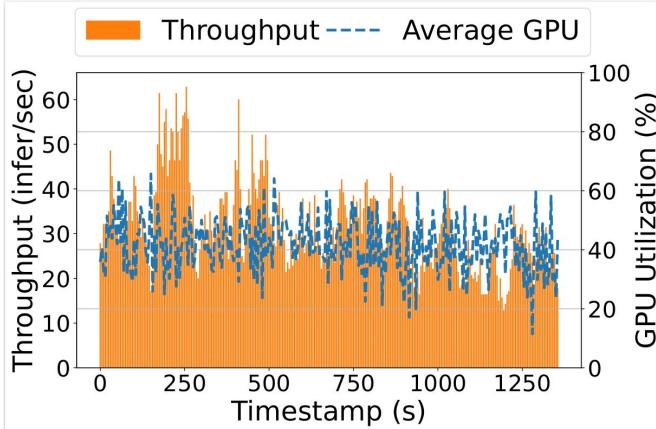


Can we **leverage** these idle resources to **improve** video analytics?

# Idle resources are common



Vigil

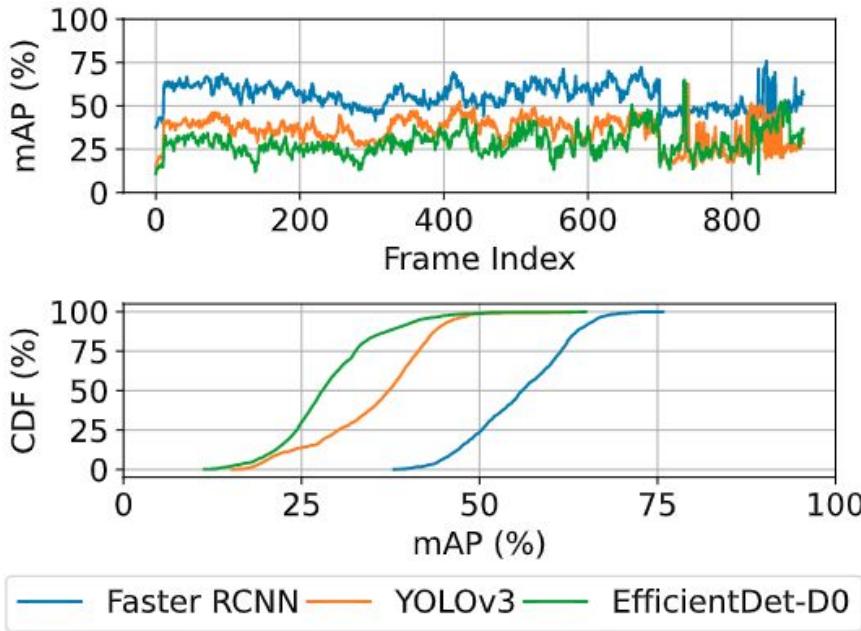


Glimpse

Vigil: 19.03% < 45 infer/sec  
Glimpse: 7.26% > 50 infer/sec

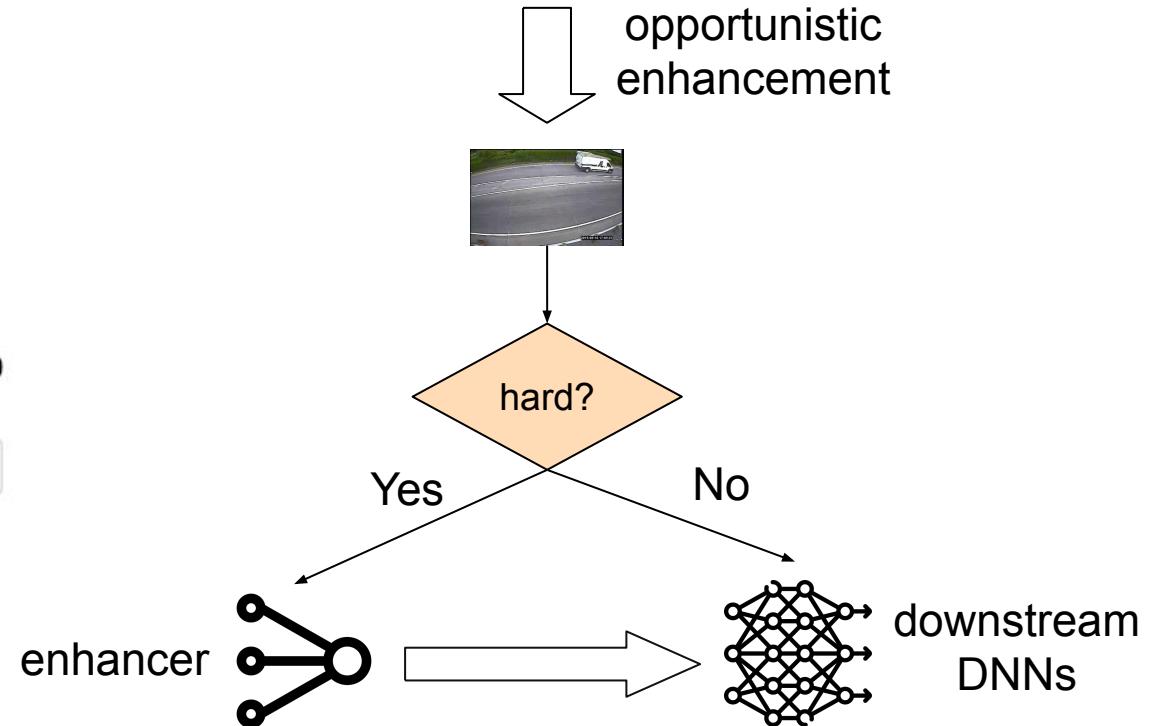
It is hard because they are **non-deterministic** and **fragmented!**

# How to leverage idle resources?

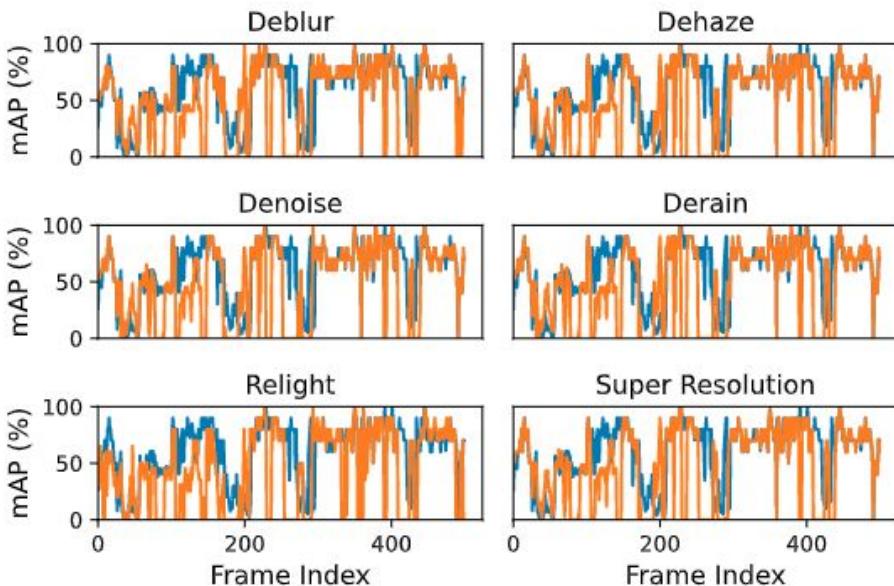


A **small portion** of frames make a bad overall mAP for detectors!

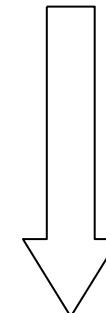
opportunistic enhancement



# How to improve hard samples?



Off-the-shelf  
image enhancement may help?



Why they  
fail?

Human Visual Perception  
≠  
Downstream DNNs Accuracy

# Key takeaways

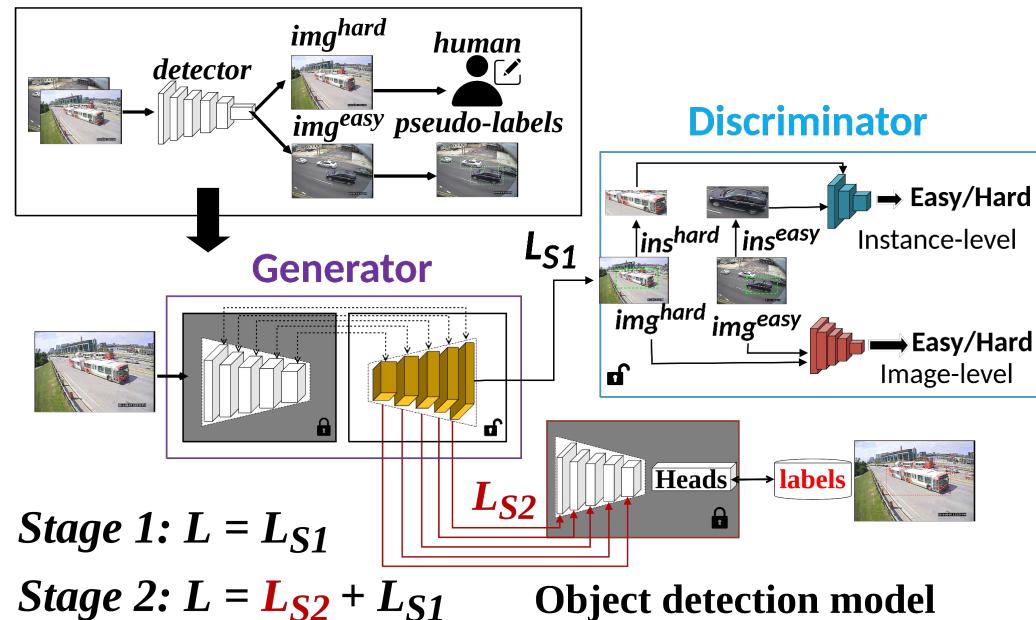
Idle computing resources are **common** but highly **dynamic** and **fragmented**.

A **small** portion of **hard** frames lead to a bad overall accuracy.

Running off-the-shelf opportunistic enhancement methods is **inappropriate**.

# Model-aware Adversarial Training

## Data preprocessing



Stage 0: find easy/hard samples for a downstream detector.

Model-aware easy/hard

Stage 1: learning a **G** ( $x$ ) and **D** ( $x$ ) for a specific downstream object detection.

Hard  $\rightarrow$  Generator  $\rightarrow$  Easy

Stage 2: a multi-exit mechanism

Efficient Generator

# Pre-training and fast adaptation

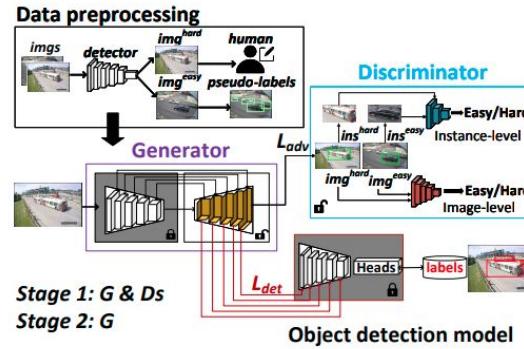
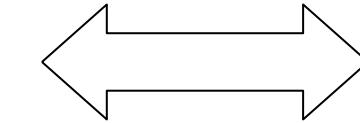


BDD100K  
(100K driving videos)



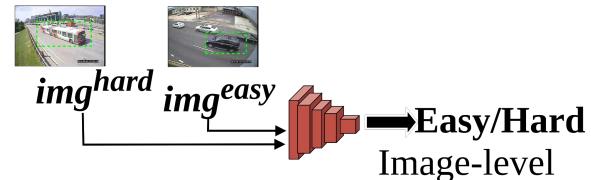
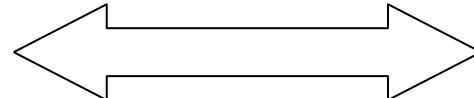
Unlabeled target videos

Pre-training



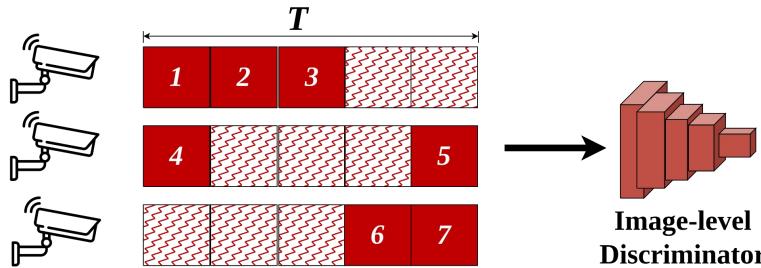
P(Hard) -> Generator -> P(Easy)

Unsupervised adaptation

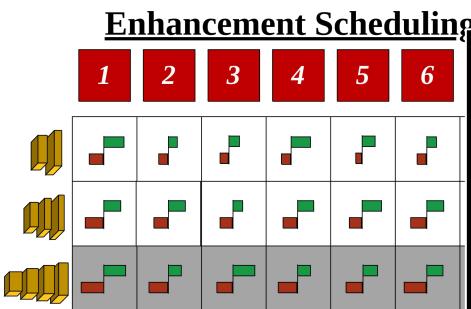


x -> Discriminator -> Easy/Hard

# Resource-aware scheduling

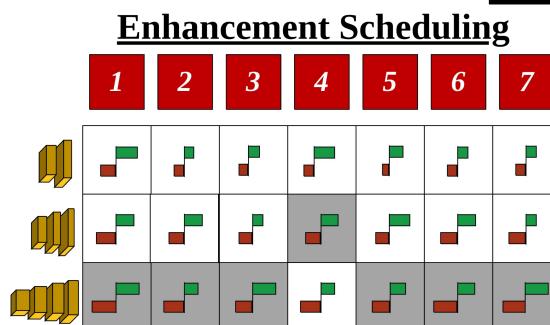


All frames are required to be processed within  $T$ .



Repeat the last step until the total latency  $< T$

o the deepest enhancer.

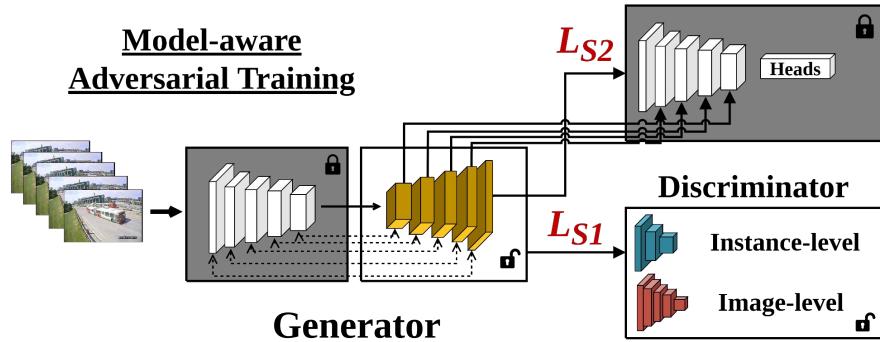


Based on enhancement profiling results, we can select a frame with the minimal marginal accuracy gain and assign it to a weaker enhancer.

# Overview

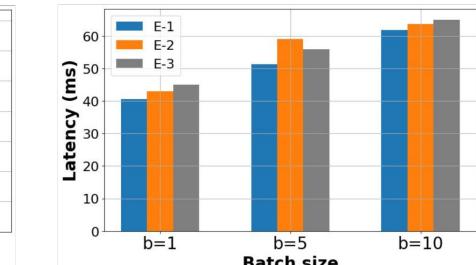
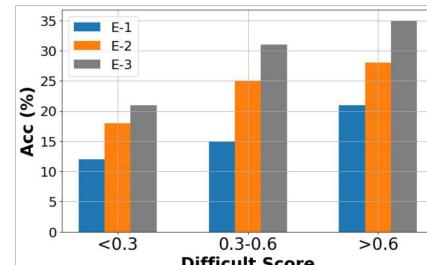
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### Model-aware Adversarial Training



## Object Detection Model

### Enhancement Profiling



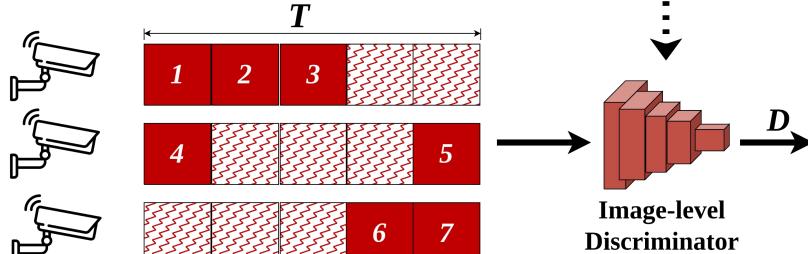
M: Multi-exit GAN model

D: Image difficulty

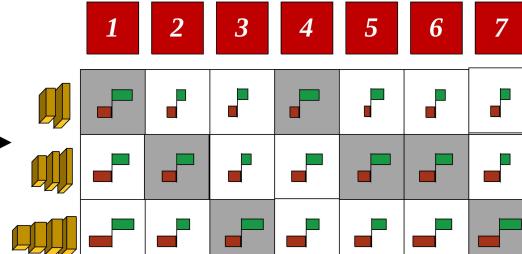
E: Execution plan

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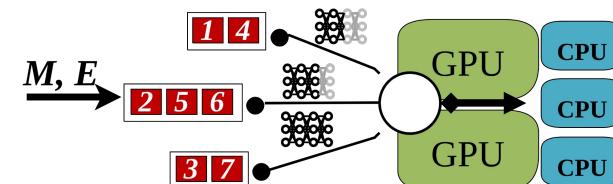
### Performance Estimation



### Enhancement Scheduling



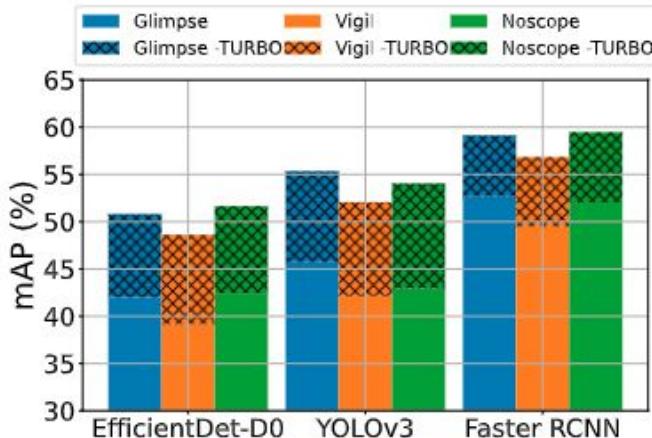
### Inference Execution



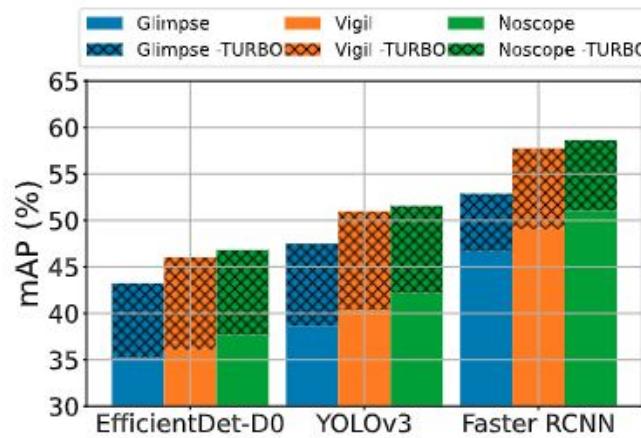
# Experiments

- Detectors: YOLOv3, Faster RCNN, EfficientDet-D0.
- Test platforms: Nvidia Tesla V100 and Tesla T4.
- Testing Dataset: UA-DETRAC and AICity.
- Video analytics pipeline:
  - Glimpse: temporal pruning
  - Vigil: model pruning
  - NoScope: temporal pruning + model pruning

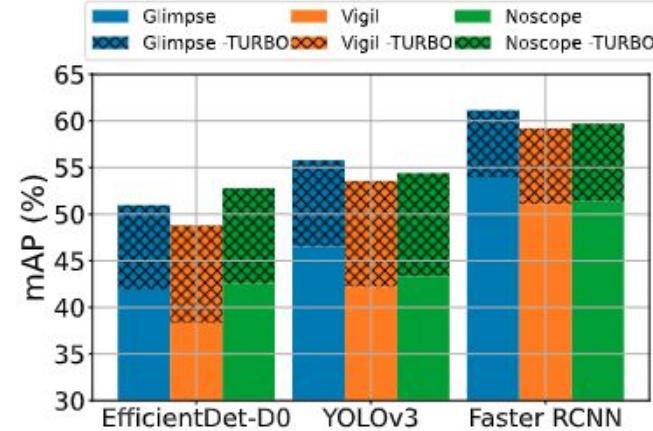
# End-to-end results (Accuracy)



UA-DETRAC & T4



AICity & T4

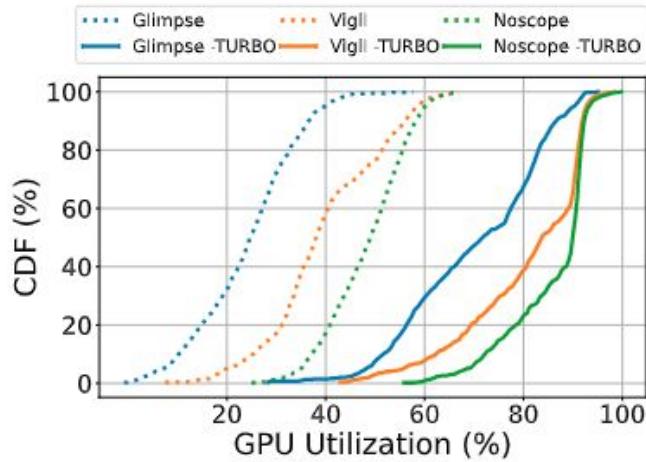


UA-DETRAC & V100

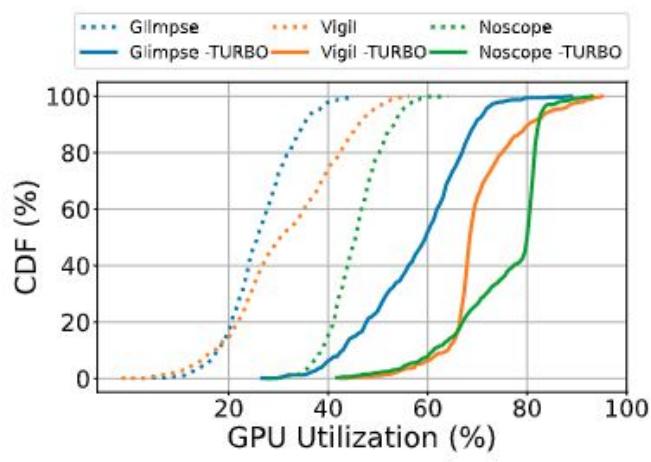
On UA-DETRAC, Turbo achieves 9.35%, 11.34%, 7.27% mAP improvement on average for 3 models.

Usually, we can achieve the maximum mAP improvements on Vigil. It is because model pruning groups most hard frames for Turbo.

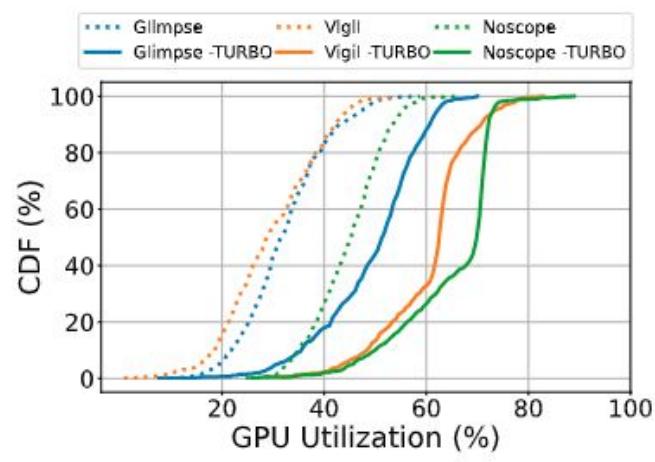
# End-to-end results (Idle GPU)



(a) EfficientDet-D0



(b) YOLOv3



(c) Faster RCNN

**UA-DETRAC & T4**

# Summary

- Even on advanced video analytics pipelines, idle computing resources are common but ignored.
- Turbo **selectively** enhances incoming frames based GPU resource availability via a **detector-specific GAN** and **resource-aware scheduling** algorithm.
- Turbo achieves 7.27-11.34% mAP improvements by judiciously allocating 15.81-37.67% GPU idle resources.

