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Deep Learning Clinic (DLC)

Lecture 5 - DL Case Study

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Solving Real World Problems Using ML/DL

- Identify A Real World Problem
- Formulate A Concrete ML/DL Problem
- Data Collection
- Learning Algorithm Design
- Evaluation

References

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*slides from Kotaro Hara

Identify A Real World Problem

Navigation For Cars



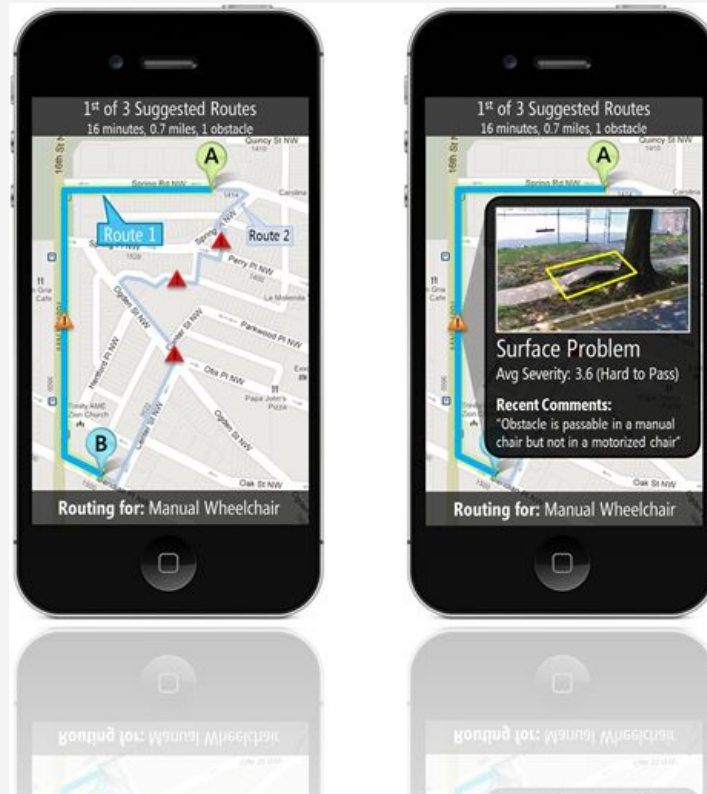
Navigation For Pedestrians



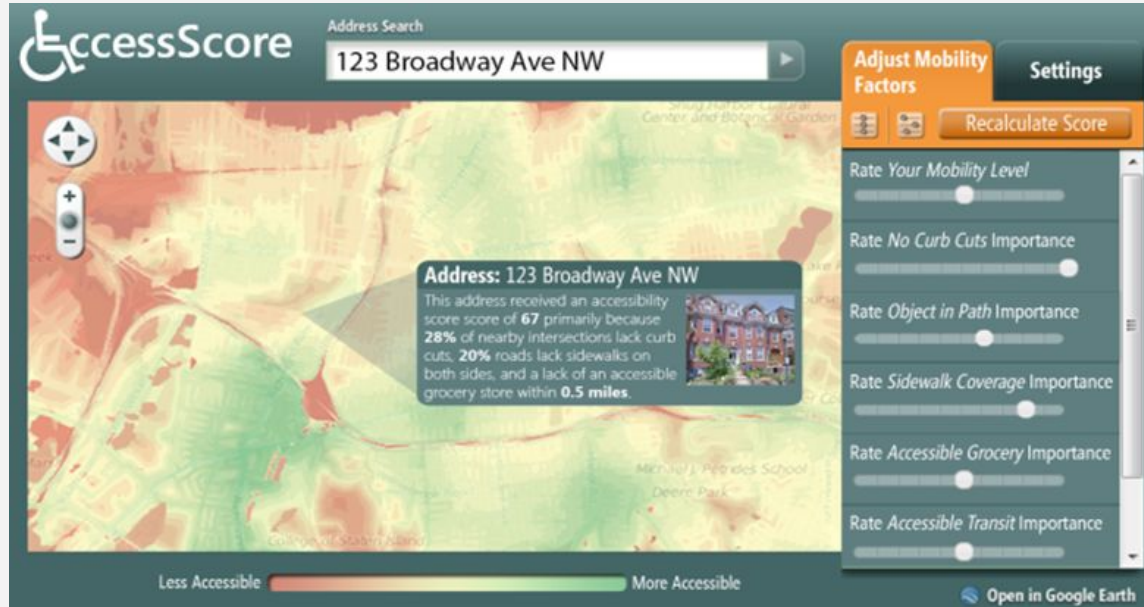
Navigation For Pedestrian With Disabilities



A Desired Solution - Accessibility-aware App



A Desired Solution - City Scale Map



An Important Social Issue



30.6 million people in US (Census 2010) are with physical disabilities.

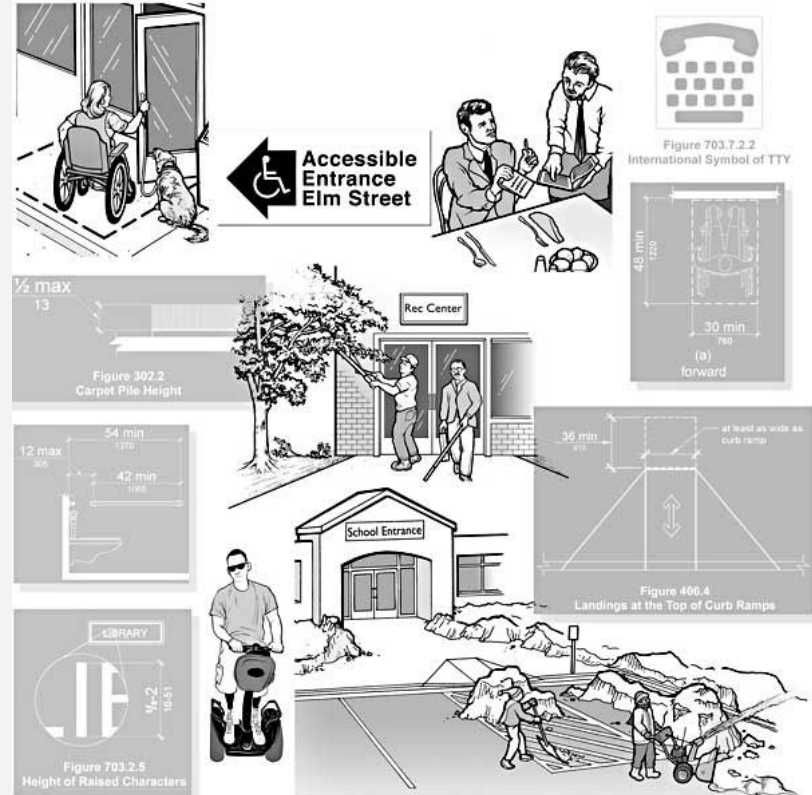
And Required by Law



Americans with Disabilities Act Title II Regulations

Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services

Department of Justice
September 15, 2010



Status Quo of Accessibility Assessment

Survey



Physical Audit



Survey



Physical Audit



A Machine Learning Approach?

Scalable

Low-cost

Formulate A Concrete ML/DL Problem

Many Aspects of Accessibility Assessment



Pedestrian crossing
are missing

Non regulated traffic
In front of station
road

No well defined
bicycle access

No control over
street vendors



No specialized drop
off/pick up points

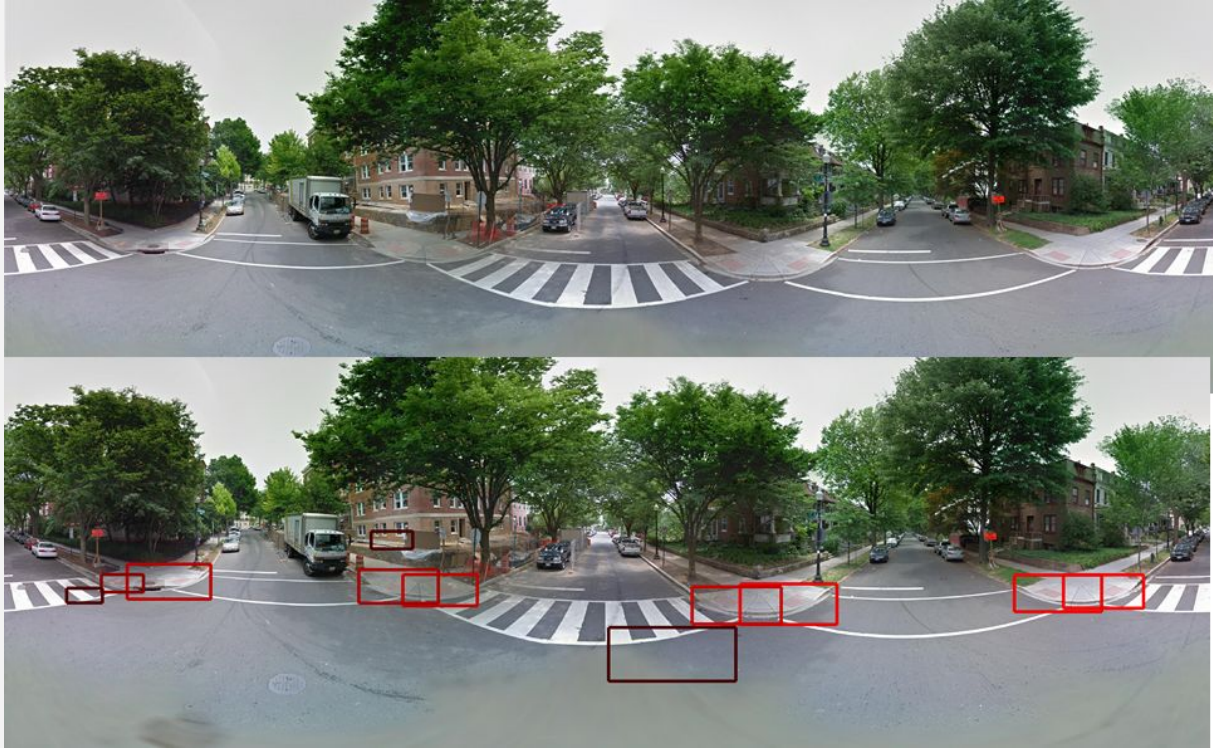
Unauthorized
parking on road

Cleanliness is an
issue

Not well delineated
park and ride

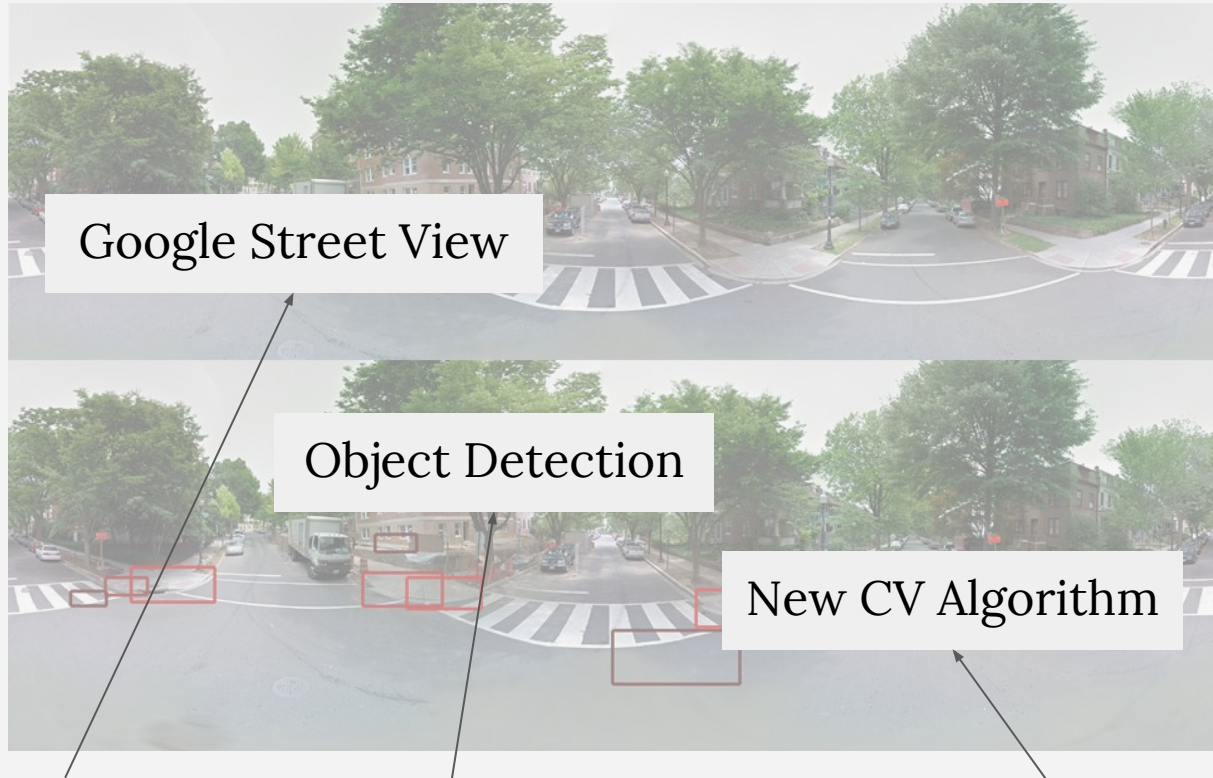


A Concrete (Focused) Problem



Collect information on where a curb ramp is and where a curb ramp is missing.

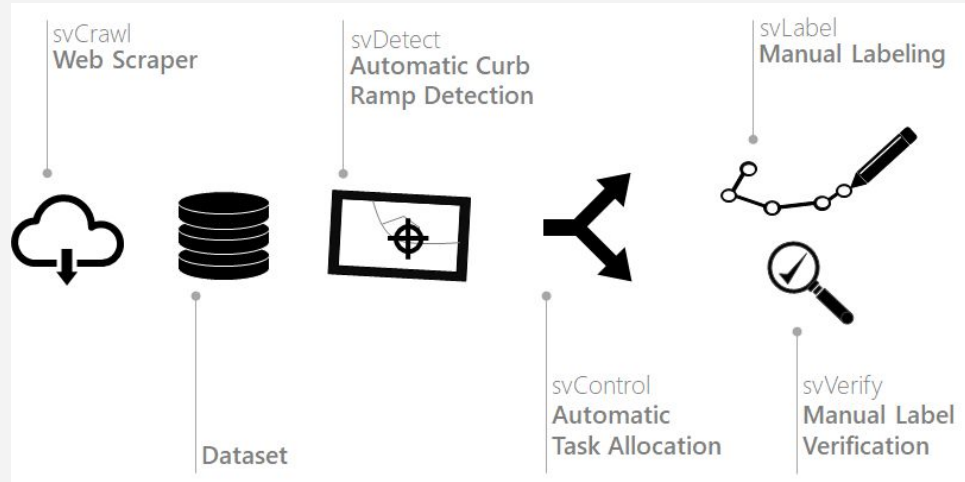
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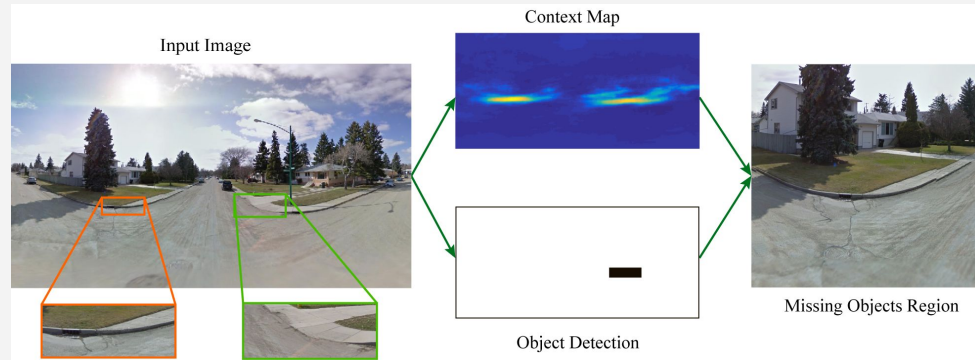
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Final System

Existing Curb Ramp Detection



Missing Curb Ramp Detection



Data Collection



Washington D.C. Baltimore

Los Angeles

Saskatoon

Total Area: 11.3 km²

Intersections: 1,086

Curb Ramps: 2,877

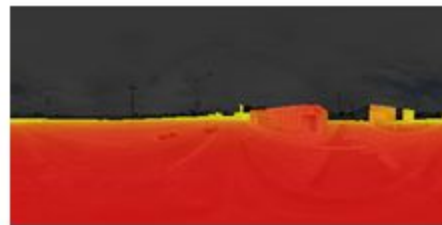
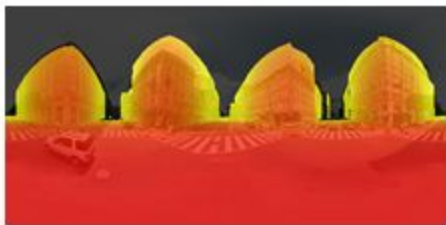
Missing Curb Ramps: 647

Avg. GSV Data Age: 2.2 yr*

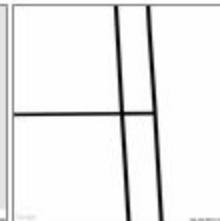
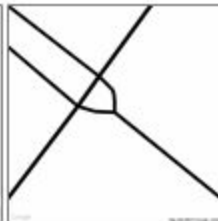
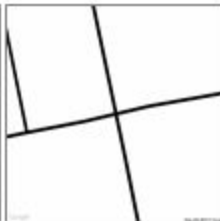
Google Street View (GSV) Panoramas



3D Point-cloud Data



Top-down Google Maps



Is GSV a Faithful Source?



Data Annotation

Find and label the following

Explore Curb Ramp Missing Curb Ramp



Zoom In Zoom Out Undo Redo

Status

Mission:
Your mission is to **find and label** the presence and absence of curb ramps at intersections.

Progress:
You have finished 0 out of 1.

Labeled Landmarks:

 1  0

You've submitted **8** curb ramp labels and **0** missing curb ramp labels.

Keyboard Shortcuts:
ESC: Cancel drawing
Z / Shift+Z: Zoom in / Zoom out

Observed area: 36%

Google

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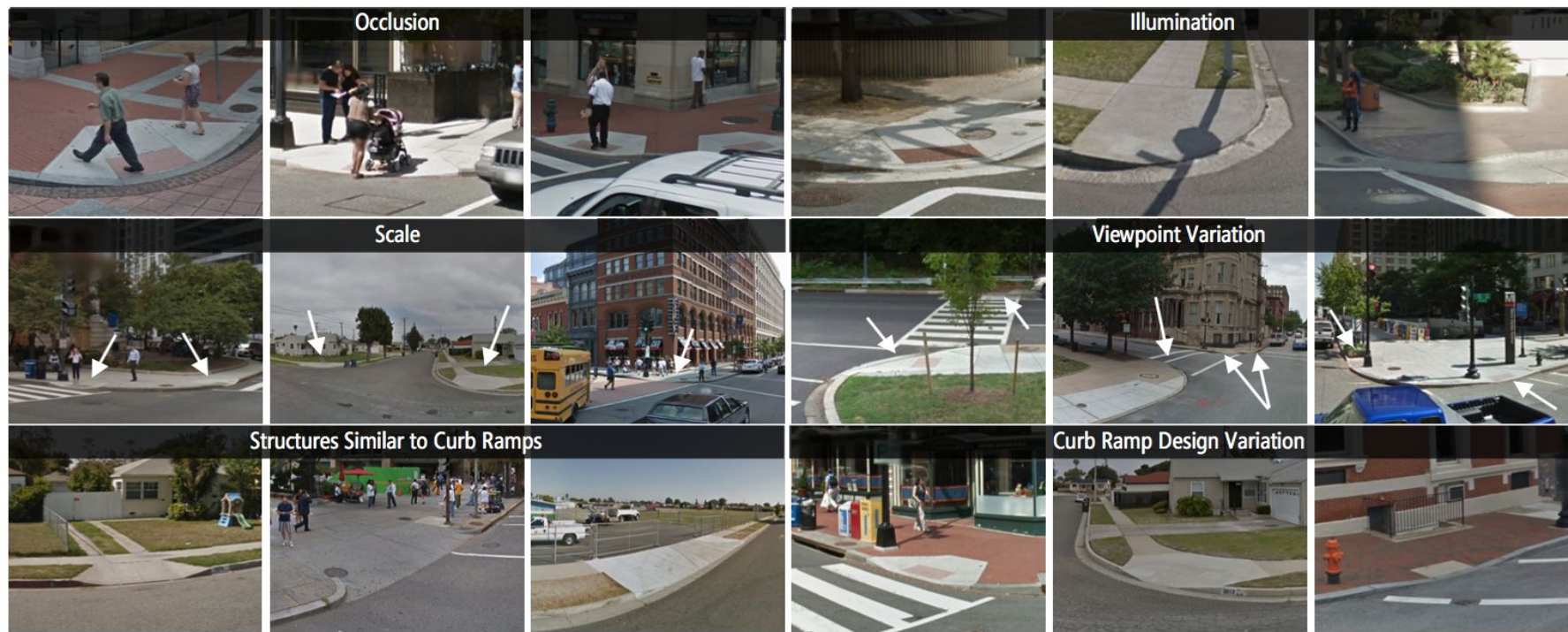
Please enter any comments about this intersection that may affect people with mobility impairment (optional)

Skip Submit

Ground-truth Labels:

2877 curb ramp labels

Existing Curb Ramps

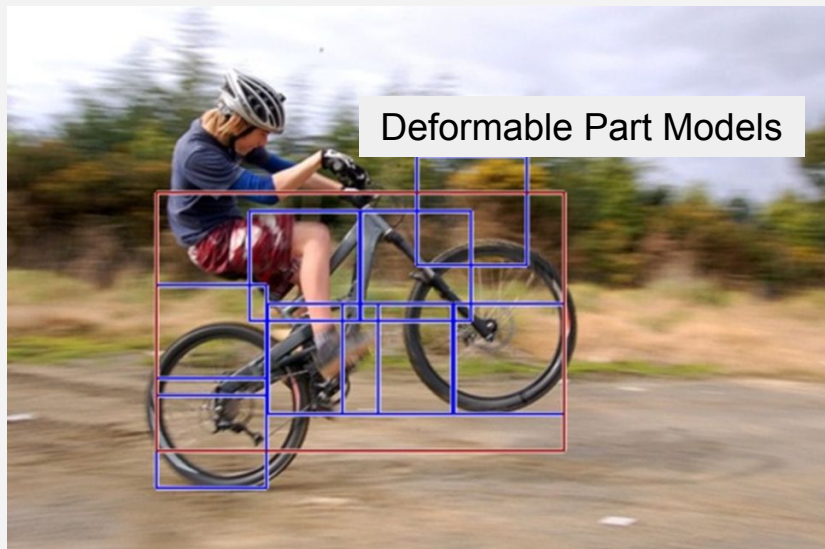


Same labeling scheme is used for missing curb ramp regions: just a different label.

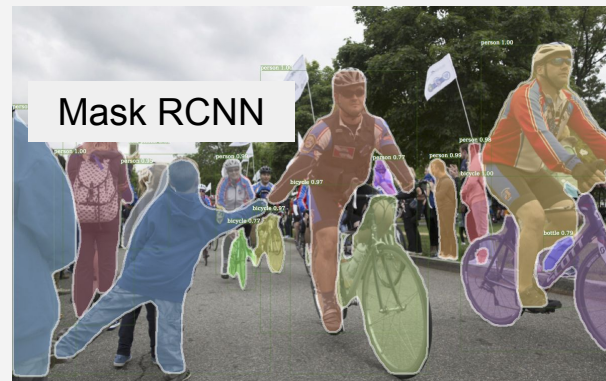
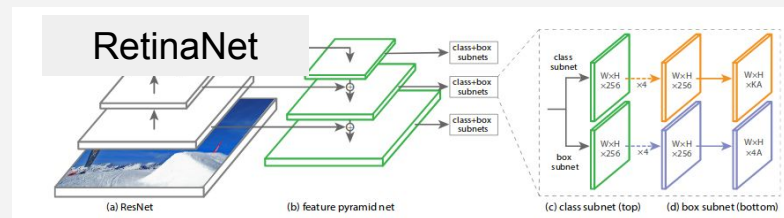
Learning Algorithm Design

Object Detection

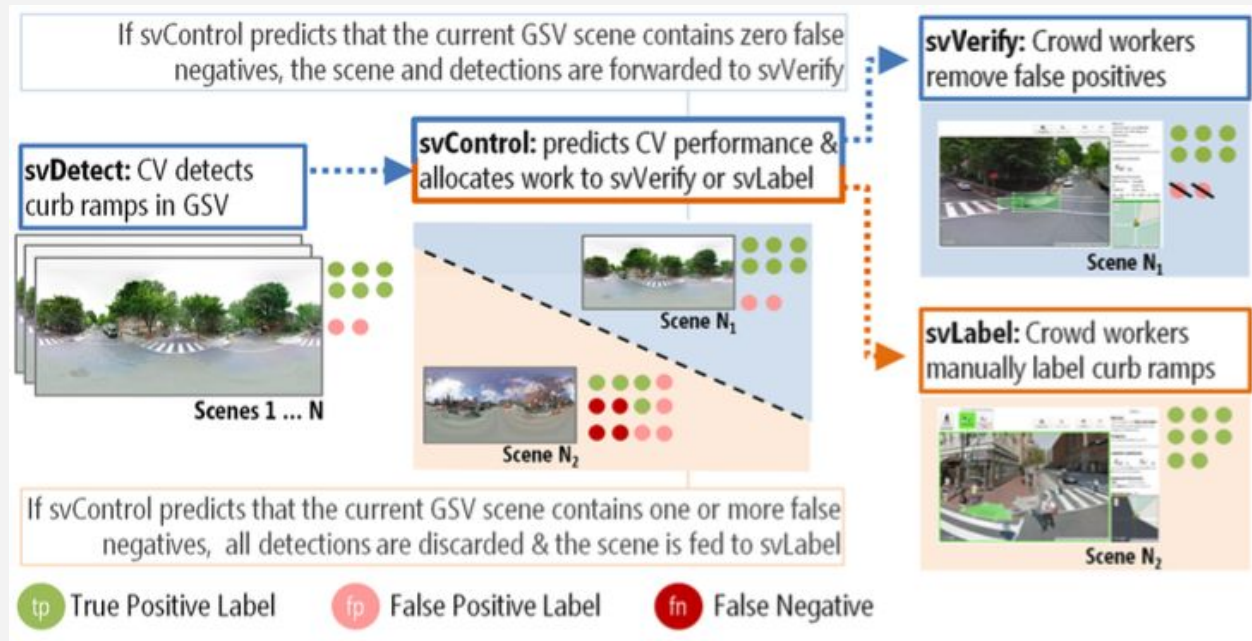
At that time



Now



A Pipeline Combines Crowdsourcing and ML/CV



Finding Missing Object Region

What does it mean when we say ‘an object is missing from a region’?

An **object** is not in its **typical environment (context)**.

Context-Object Relationship

Object Score		Context Score	Image Region Remark
High		High	Typical Objects
Low		High	Missing Objects
High		Low	Out of Context Objects



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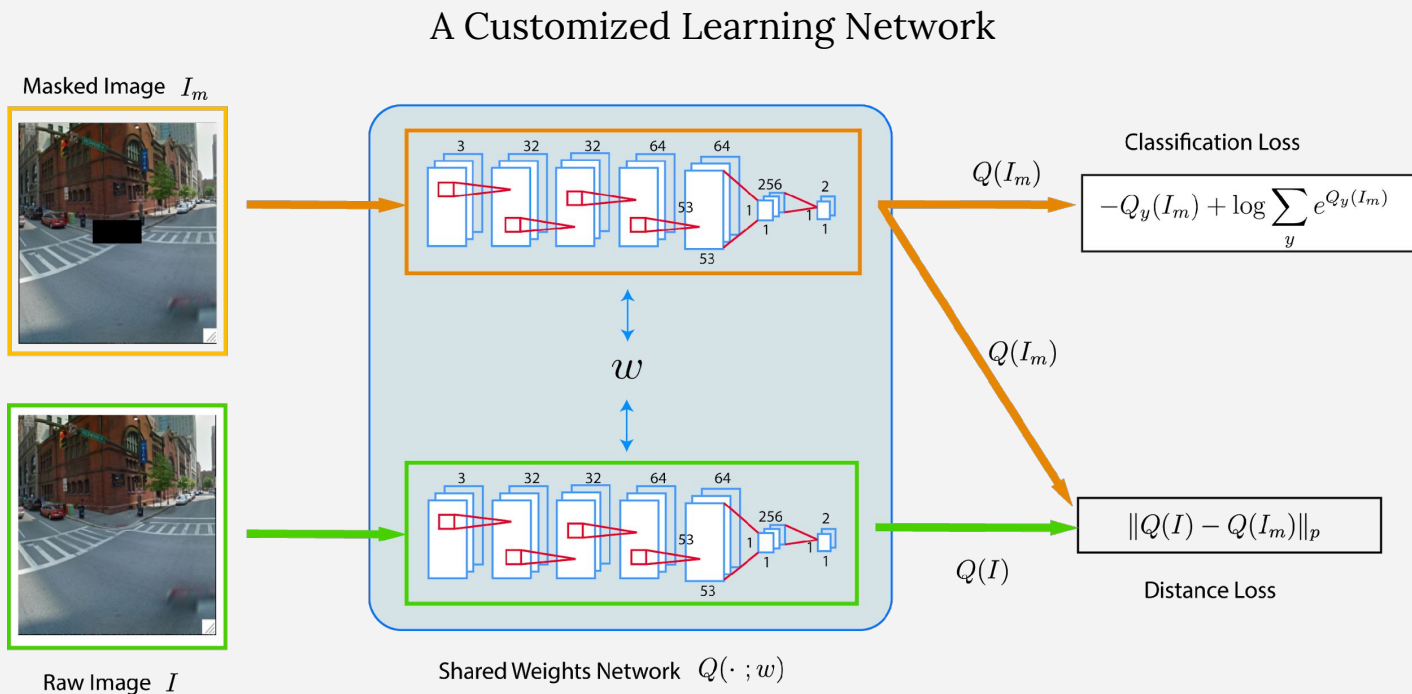


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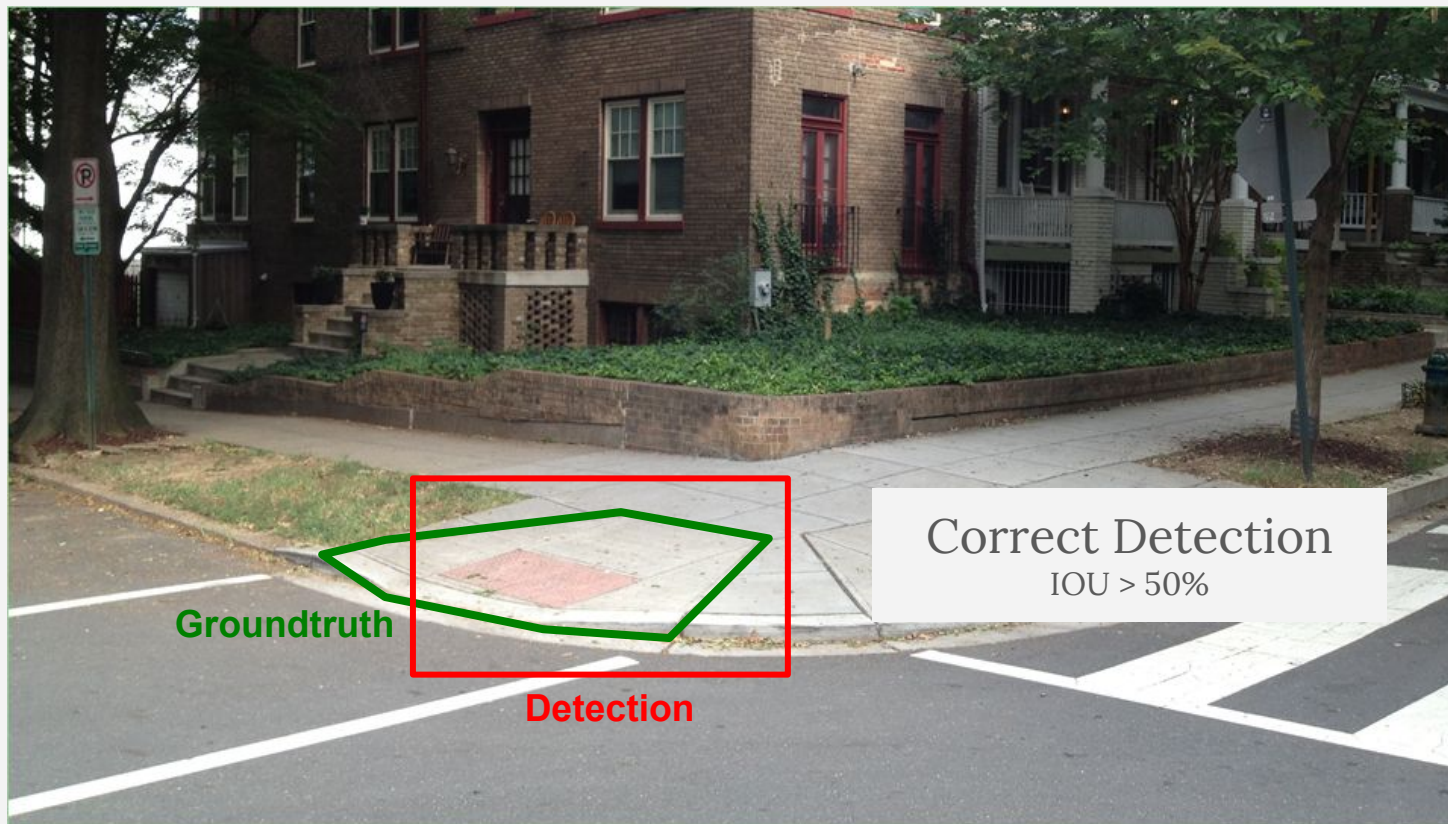


Evaluation

Curb Ramp Detection Results



Curb Ramp Detection Results

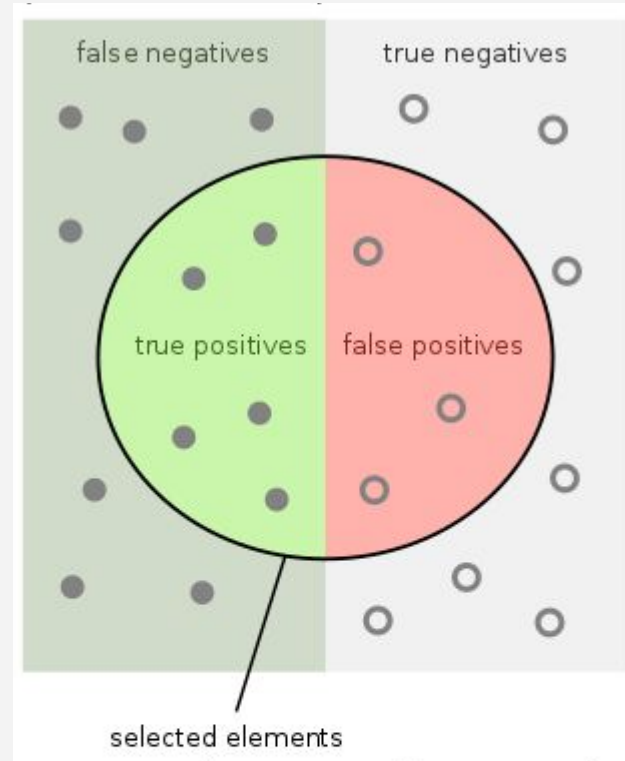


Classification Metric

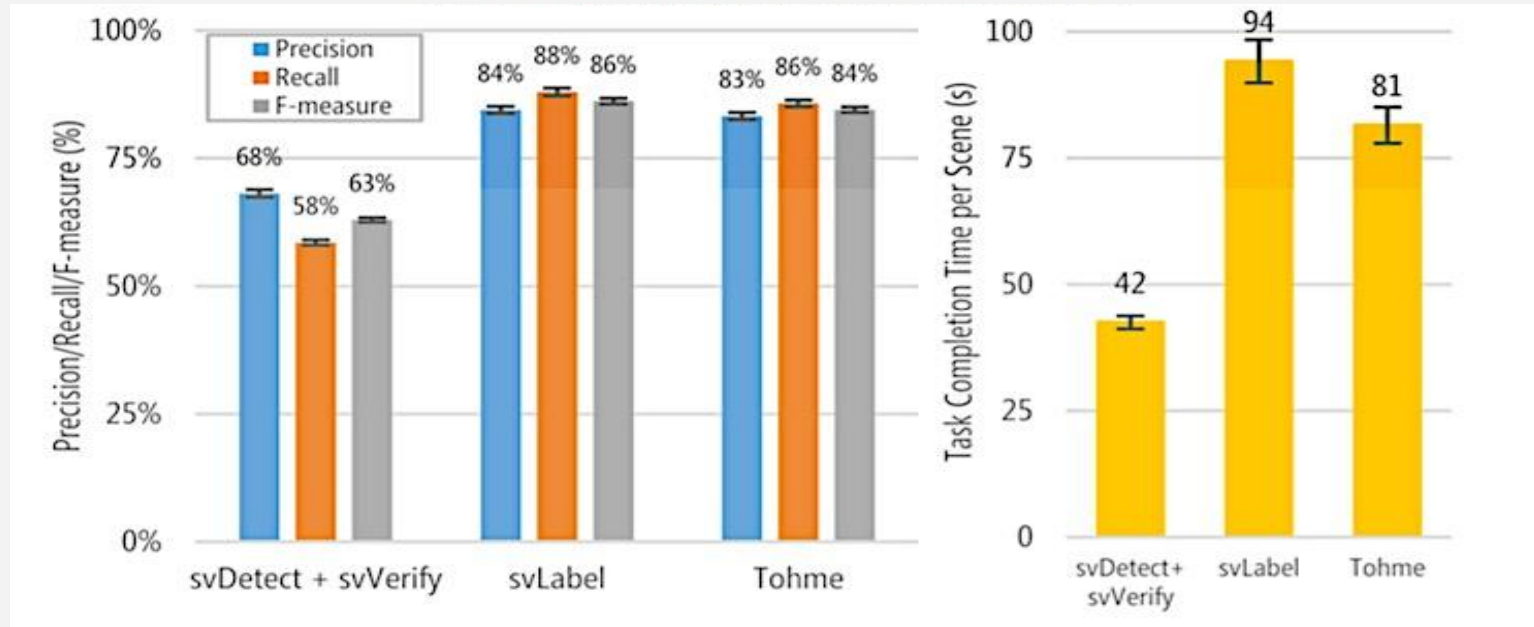
From Lecture 3:

$$\text{Precision} = \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FP})$$

$$\text{Recall} = \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FN})$$



Curb Ramp Detection Performance

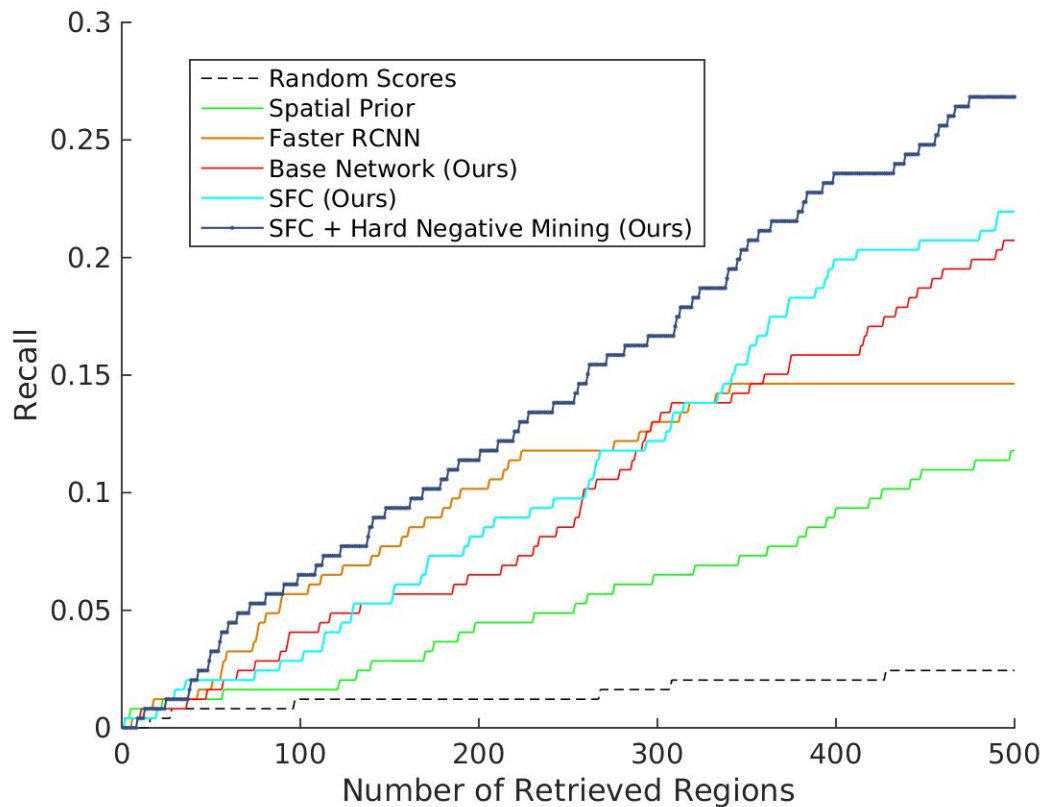


Finding Missing Curb Ramp Results



Green: Correct Missing Curb Ramp Regions. **Blue:** False Positives. **Red:** Wrong Predictions

Finding Missing Curb Ramp Performance



What Those Number Imply

2,820 intersections in Manhattan (1.6 million population)

- Assume 10K curb ramps
- Curb ramp detection algorithm can find ~9700 of them.
- Full audit on missing curb ramps takes a few hours
- Useful as a prior for physical audit

Summary

Solving A Real World Problem Using ML/DL

- Identify A Real World Problem
 - Accessibility Assessment
- Formulate A Concrete ML/DL Problem
 - Existing Curb Ramp Detection -- Object Detection
 - Missing Curb Ramp Detection -- A New Learning Problem
- Data Collection
 - Google Street View (GSV)
 - Annotation
- Learning Algorithm Design
 - Detection Pipeline
- Evaluation
 - Curb Ramp Detection Accuracy
 - Missing Curb Ramp Region Retrieval Performance