

Structured Prediction and PyStruct

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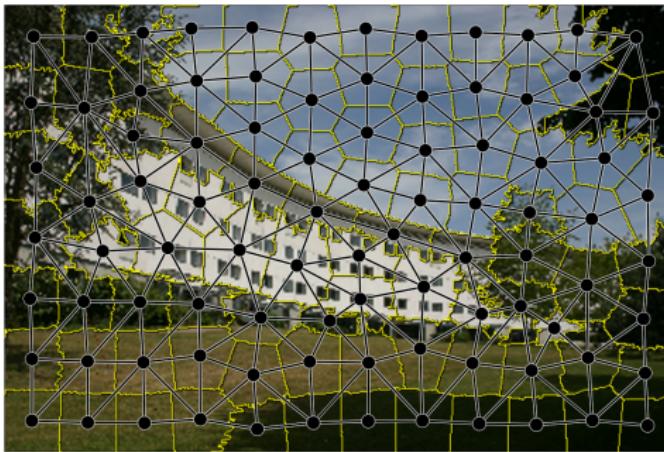
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Objective

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Pairwise Models

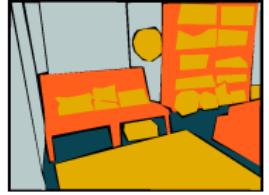
$$\mathbf{w}^T \psi(x, y) = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{i,j} \psi_{i,j}(x, y_i, y_j) + \sum_{i \in I} w_i \psi_i(x, y_i)$$

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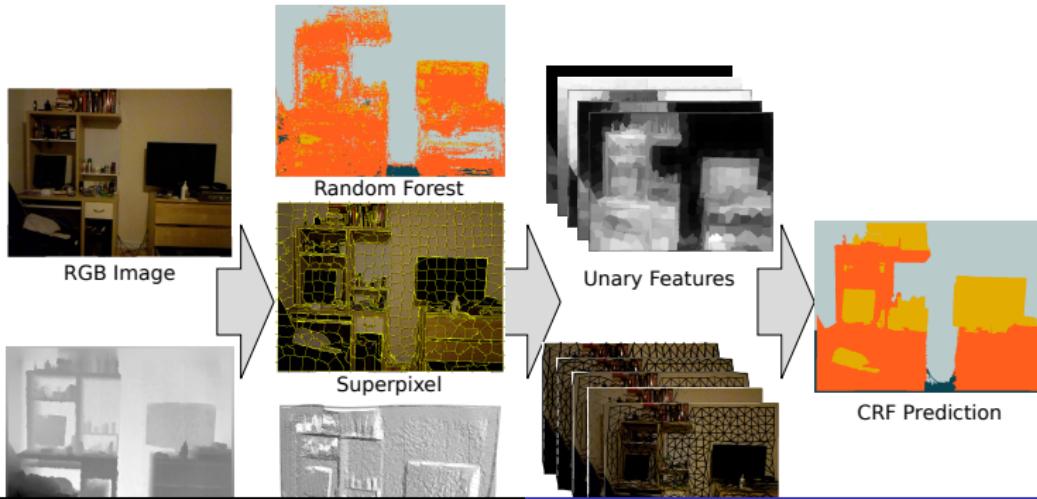
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Dataset: NYUv2



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Pairwise Features

$$f_{\text{color}}(x_i, x_j) = \exp(-\gamma \|c_i - c_j\|^2)$$



$$f_{\text{depth}}(x_i, x_j) = (d_i - d_j)/Z$$



$$f_{\text{direction}}(x_i, x_j) = \langle \text{pos}_{x_i} - \text{pos}_{x_j}, [0, 1]^T \rangle \quad f_{\text{normals}}(x_i, x_j) = 1 - \frac{1}{\pi} \langle \mathbf{n}_{x_i}, \mathbf{n}_{x_j} \rangle$$

Learning and Optimization

- 1-slack SSVM
- Inference using fusion moves and AD³.
- Exact learning in loopy model [?].

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Qualitative Results

Input



Random Forest



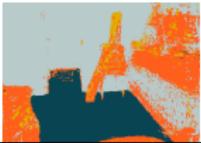
SVM on SP



CRF



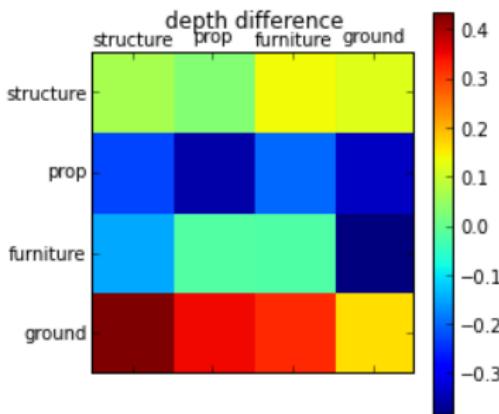
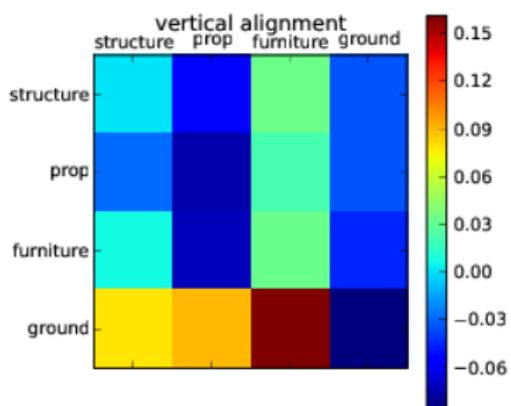
Ground Truth



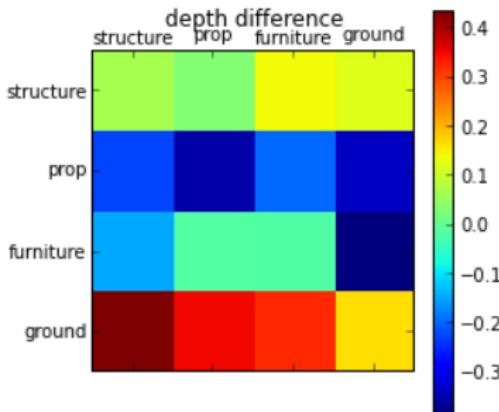
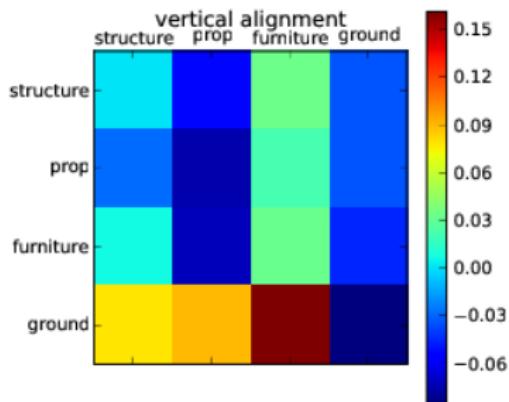
Results

	ground	structure	furniture	props	class avg	pixel avg
RF	90.8	81.6	67.9	19.9	65.0	68.3
RF + SP	92.5	83.3	73.8	13.9	65.7	70.1
RF + SP + SVM	94.4	79.1	64.2	44.0	70.4	70.3
RF + SP + CRF	94.9	78.9	71.1	42.7	71.9	72.3
?	68	59	70	42	59.6	58.6
?	87.3	86.1	45.3	35.5	63.5	64.5
? [†]	95.6	83.0	75.1	14.2	67.0	70.9

Learned Potentials



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- Ground is at bottom

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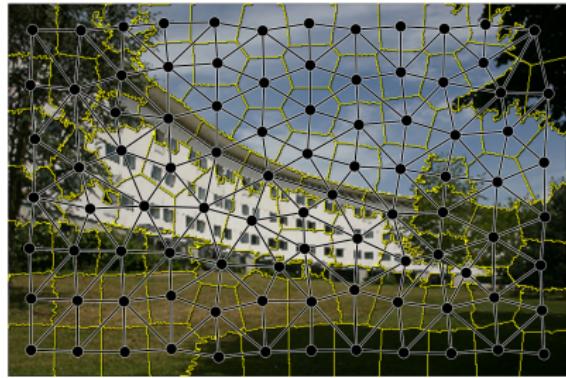
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- Can incorporate geometric relations into CRF.
- Learn all potentials.
- Exact learning of CRF possible.

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Learning Loopy CRFs Exactly

How Intractable Are Loopy Models?



- In general, inference in loopy models is NP-hard.
- Learning relies on inference.
- How good can we get in practice?
- Focusing on 1-slack cutting plane algorithm.

Efficient Caching

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- Novel heuristic

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Caching Comparison

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Combining Inference Algorithms

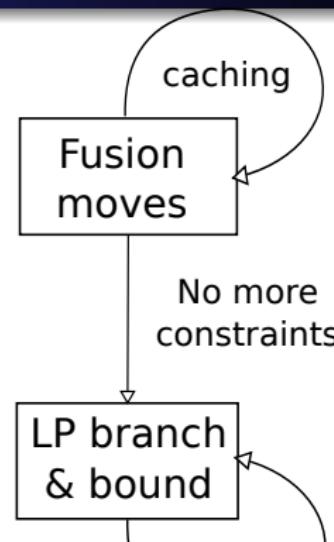
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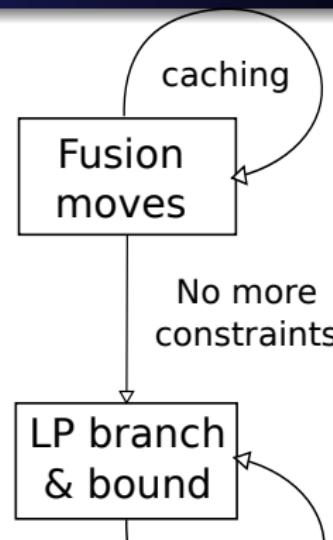
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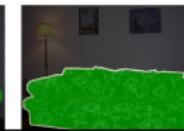
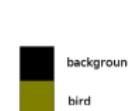
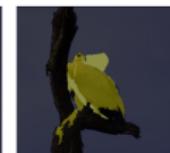
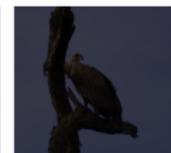
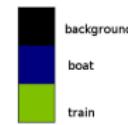
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- Result: can learn exactly on two popular segmentation benchmarks!



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Results on Pascal VOC2010 and MSRC-21



Pascal VOC 2010

Jaccard

MSRC-21

Average

Global

Human

0.75

Human

0.77

0.88

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Summary

- We can learn some interesting loopy models exactly.
- Move-making was already very close.
- Exact learning is not necessarily slow (≈ 5 min).
- Makes learning more reproducible and simpler.

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Person

Car

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Object Class Segmentation as MIL

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Results

car1_img.png

car1_gt.png

car1_pos.png

person1_img.png

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$$I(X, Y) = D_{\text{KL}}(p(X, Y) \parallel p(X)p(Y))$$

$$= H(X) - \sum_{y=1}^k p(Y=y)H(X | Y=y)$$

Optimization Problem

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Qualitative Results

K-Means

MeanNN

Agglomerative

ITM

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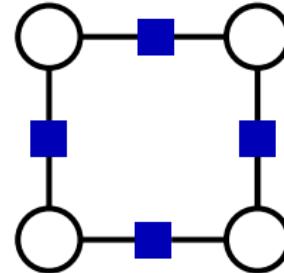
- Formulate clustering as maximizing mutual information of data and cluster indicators.
- Use non-parametric entropy estimate based on data MST.
- Efficient approximate optimization using dynamic programming.
- Good empirical results, no parameters to tune.

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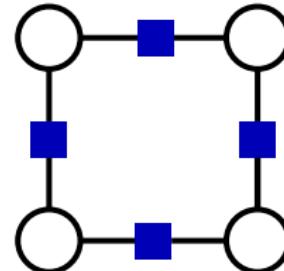
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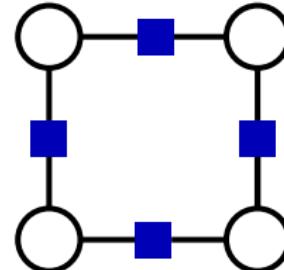
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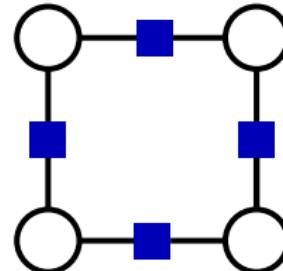
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- Well documented, includes common benchmarks.



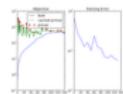
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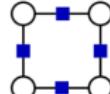
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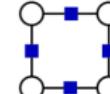
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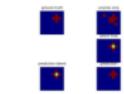
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SVM as CRF



Semantic Image Segmentation on Pascal VOC



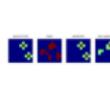
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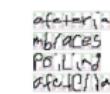
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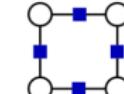
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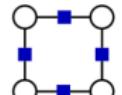
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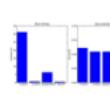
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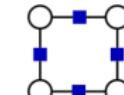
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Block-Coordinate Frank-Wolfe Algorithm

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Update per-sample parameters and loss estimate: $\theta_{t+1}^j \leftarrow (1 - \eta) \theta_{t+1}^j + \eta \theta_s$ $\ell_{t+1}^j \leftarrow (1 - \eta) \ell_{t+1}^j + \eta \ell_s$ Update global parameters and loss estimate: $\theta_{t+1} \leftarrow \theta_{t+1} + \theta_t^j - \theta_{t+1}^j$ $\ell_{t+1} \leftarrow \ell_{t+1} + \ell_t^j - \ell_{t+1}^j$ Compute the weighted running average: $\bar{\theta}_{t+1} = \frac{k}{k+2} \bar{\theta}_k + \frac{2}{k+2} \theta_{k+1}$ $(\theta - \theta_s)^T \theta - \ell + \ell_s \leq \epsilon$ where θ_s and ℓ_s are recomputed over the whole dataset.

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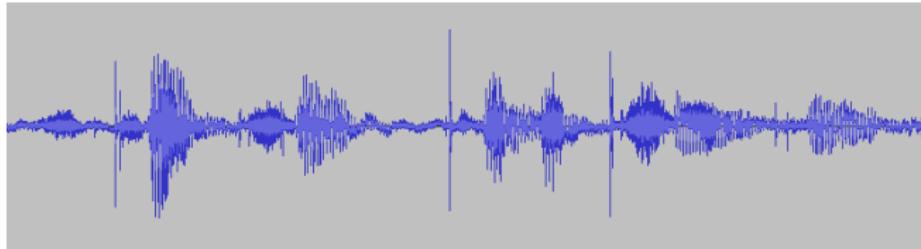
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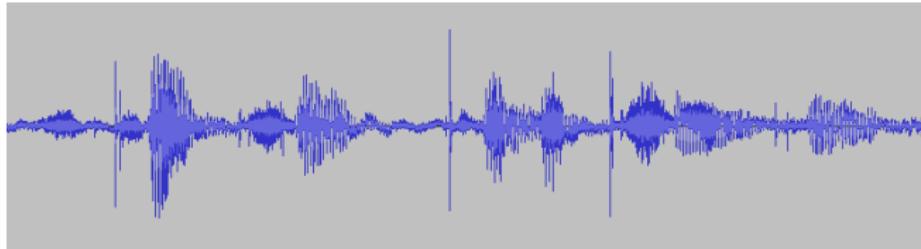
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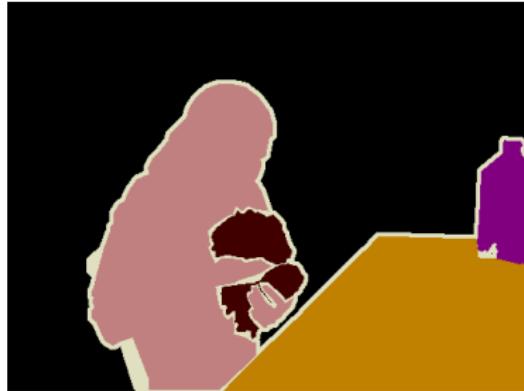
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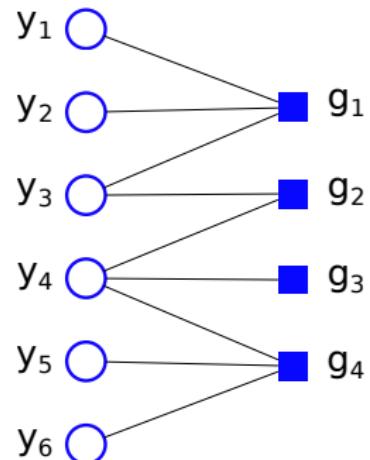
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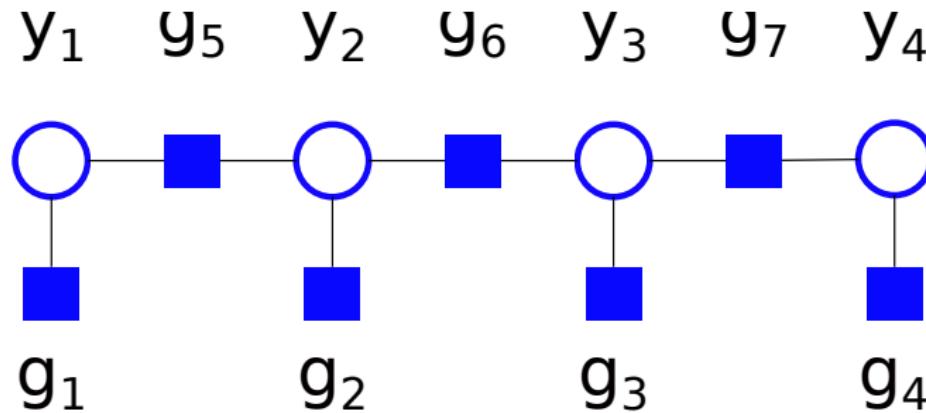
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Factor Graphs

$$g(x, y) = g_1(x, y_1, y_2, y_3) + g_2(x, y_3, y_4) \\ + g_3(x, y_4) + g_4(x, y_4, y_5, y_6)$$

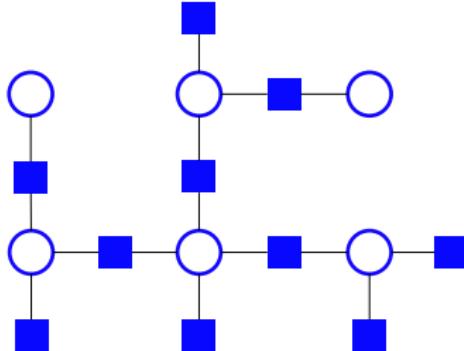


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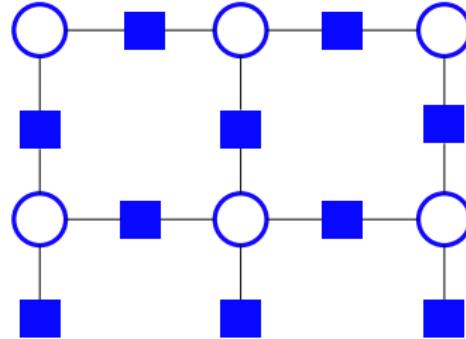


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Max-Margin Learning

$$\min_w \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 + C \sum_i \ell(x^i, y^i, w)$$

$$\ell(x^i, y^i, w) = [\max_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \Delta(y^i, y) + w^T \psi(x^i, y) - w^T \psi(x^i, y^i)]_+.$$

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- Model: BinaryClf, MultiLabelClf, ChainCRF, GraphCRF, EdgeFeatureGraphCRF
- Inference: Linear Programming, QPBO (PyQPBO), Dual Decomposition (AD3), Message Passing (OpenGM), Everything (OpenGM)

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Example OCR

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from pystruct.datasets import load_letters
from pystruct.models import ChainCRF
from pystruct.learners import OneSlackSSVM

abc = "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz"

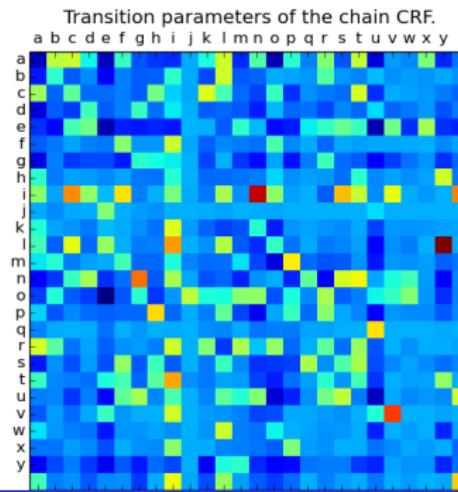
letters = load_letters()
X, y, folds = letters['data'], letters['labels'], letters['folds']
# we convert the lists to object arrays, as that makes slicing much more
# convenient
X, y = np.array(X), np.array(y)
X_train, X_test = X[folds == 1], X[folds != 1]
y_train, y_test = y[folds == 1], y[folds != 1]

# Train linear SVM
svm = LinearSVC(dual=False, C=.1)
# flatten input
svm.fit(np.vstack(X_train), np.hstack(y_train))

# Train linear chain CRF
model = ChainCRF()
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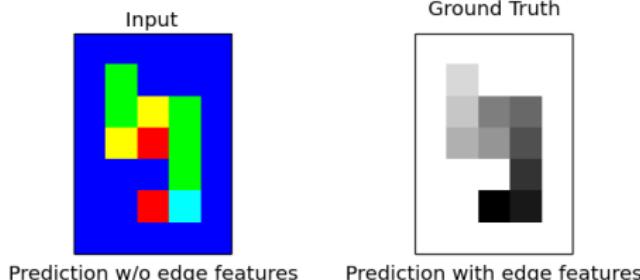
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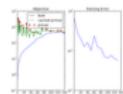


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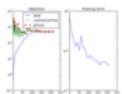
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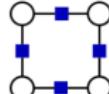
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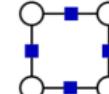
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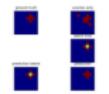
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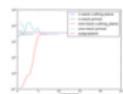
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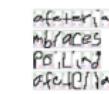
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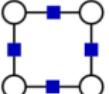
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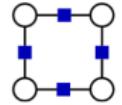
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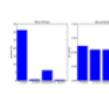
Latent SVM for odd vs. even digit classification



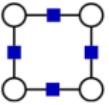
Mult-label classification



Latent Variable Hierarchical CRF



Binary SVM as SSVM



Comparing PyStruct and SVM_struct