Object Detection for Autonomous Driving

Application Cases, Metrics and Data Augmentation

Use Case - Object Detection for Autonomous Driving

Importance:

- Safety: ensure safe navigation and prevent collision
- Traffic efficiency: optimize traffic flow
- Regulatory compliance: adheres to traffic laws

Problems of natural data:

- Data privacy: Faces, licence plates
- Cost and time: Data collection and annotation
- Diversity and coverage: Capture all driving scenarios

Synthetic data to our help:

- Privacy friendly: no real individuals involved
- Cost effective
- Controlled environment
- Scalability



Use Case - Object Detection for Autonomous Driving

Tasks:

- Semantic Segmentation
- Object Tracking
- Object Detection
- Path Planning
- Driver Monitoring
- Sensor Fusion



Datasets

 datasets: nuScene, Kitti, ScanNet, Waymo, S3DISCityscapes, Argoverse, CARLA, Synscapes

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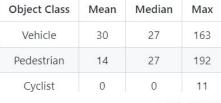
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Dataset	KITTI ²	Virtual KITTI ⁴	nuScene	Waymo ³	CARLA ¹
Characteristic	LiDAR and camera data	unity game engine		LiDAR and camera data	open-source simulator
Size	object detection dataset: 7481 training & 7518 test img, total: 80.256 labeled objects	50 high-resolution monocular videos (21,260 frames)		1150 scenes, each 20 sec.	
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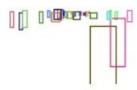
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Classes	8 classes: number of instances (training data): 28742 car, 4487 pedestrian, 2914 van, 11627 cyclist, 1094 truck	1 class: car (main category of KITTI)	4 classes: mean count of instances per class: 30 vehicle, 14 pedestrian, 0 cyclists		
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Real / Synthetic	real,	synthetic	real		
Example					

Overview Datasets - Waymo







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Datasets

KITTI https://www.cvlibs.net/datasets/kitti/eval object.php?obj benchmark=3d

Data collection and privacy

- Funding: KIT, TTI-C
- Privacy: academic use only (registration required, Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 3.0 License)
- Footprint: equipped with Radar, LiDAR, camera data
- classes: building, tree, sky, car, sign, road, pedestrian, fence, pole, sidewalk, bicyclist
- 73.7km driving distance
- 7481 training images; 7519 test images (80256 labeled objects)

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Datasets Virtual KITTI

Data generation:

- Unity game engine with 5 different virtual worlds under different lightning and weather conditions
- Creative COmmons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 3.0 License restrictions on commercial use and distribution
- corresponds to real KITTI scenes
- "measuring the real-to-virtual gap, deep learning with virtual data, and measuring the generalization performance under changes in imaging and weather conditions"

https://github.com/VisualComputingInstitute/vkitti3D-dataset/blob/master/tools/download raw vkitti.sh (try out for download)

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Datasets Waymo

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- Creative COmmons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 3.0 License restrictions on commercial use and distribution; registration required for download
- objects in motion: vehicle, pedestrians, cyclists and more
- Footprint: LiDAR, Camera with annotations for scene understanding in 2D and 3D

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Metrics

- Mean Average Precision
- Intersection over Union
- Standard accuracy measures

Virtual KITTI: MSE and Edge-Aware Smoothing loss (https://arxiv.org/pdf/2006.04080v2)

Metrics for Object Detection mean Average Precision (mAP)

- Single number metric (value ∈ [0,1])
- overall accuracy of object detector
- good way to evaluate models performance and to compare with other models
- metrics underlying the mAP:
 - Confusion matrix
 - intersection over union (IoU)
 - Precision
 - Recall

choose one class

set IoU threshold

determine TP - FP - FN - TN

calculate precision and recall

plot precision-recall curve

calculate AP

calculate mean of AP over all thresholds

calculate mean of mAP over all classes

Metrics mAP - explained in more Detail

Prediction Types:



True Positive (**TP**):

- bbx aligns with gt
- label is correct



False Positive (**FP**):

- bbx aligns with gt
- label is incorrect



False Negative (**FN**):

- object detected where there is none

True Negative (**TN**):

- irrelevant here

$ext{IoU} = rac{ ext{Area of Overlap}}{ ext{Area of Intersection}}$

- User sets threshold for IoU
- value ∈ [0,1]

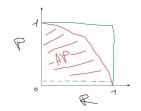
$$precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

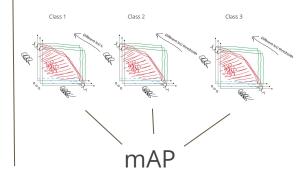
- how many of the predicted positives are TP?

$$recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

have we detected all TPs?

Precision-Recall Curve:

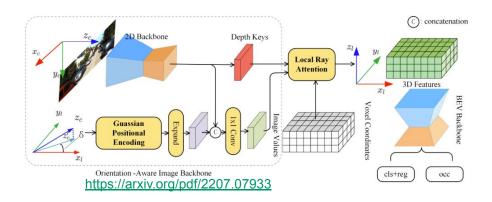




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Architecture:

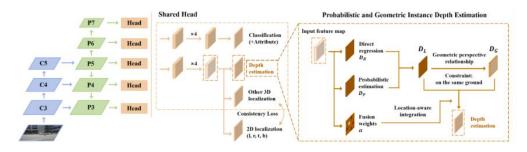
- 1. 2D Backbone: V2-99 extended to Feature Pyramid Network generating two feature maps:
 - a. depth keys
 - b. image features
 - c. orientation differences (Gaussian positional encoding)
- 2. Local Ray Attention Mechanism: image feature maps to 3D voxel features without point clouds
- BEV backbone: predicts 3D bounding box and 3D occupancy map



Probabilistic and Geometric Depth

Architecture:

- ResNet101: Feature extraction
- FPN: Multi-level predictions
 - category
 - 2D bounding box
 - 3D offset
 - o depth
- Depth estimated for predicted objects via a geometric graph
- Probabilistic representation for uncertainty estimation



https://arxiv.org/pdf/2107.14160

GANs for mixed datasets

Pros	Cons
Privacy Preservation: No identifiable information (i.e. faces, license plates)	Reality Gap: • mimic complexity and variability
Scalability: once created it can generate unlimited amount of data	Diversity and Variability: • capture rare cases crucial for robust object detection
Controlled Environment:	Semantic Understanding: • essential to ensure that generated scenes are semantically meaningful (i.e. spatial relationship)
	Ethical and Safety Concerns: • additional complexities and uncertainties with the use of synthetic data

GAN Architectures:

 Deep Convolutional GAN: Convolutional layers in generator and discriminator networks to generate high-resolution images

Characteristics:

- Conditional GANs: Generate synthetic images or traffic scenarios conditioned on different weather conditions or road layouts
- Self-Attention GAN: focus on relevant spatial information of the input to keep semantic understanding of spatial relationship

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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