

Face Detection Web App Tutorial

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Face Detection Flask

Upload an image to see detected faces

Face detection using [Resnet10 SSD Caffe Model](#) | Powered by Python, Flask, OpenCV, Caffe

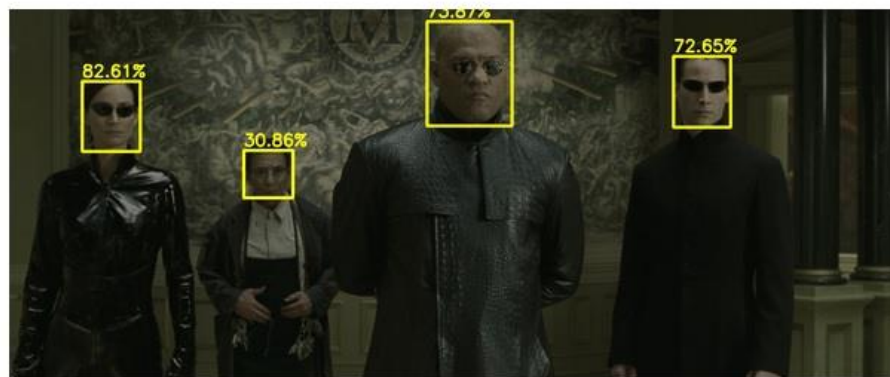
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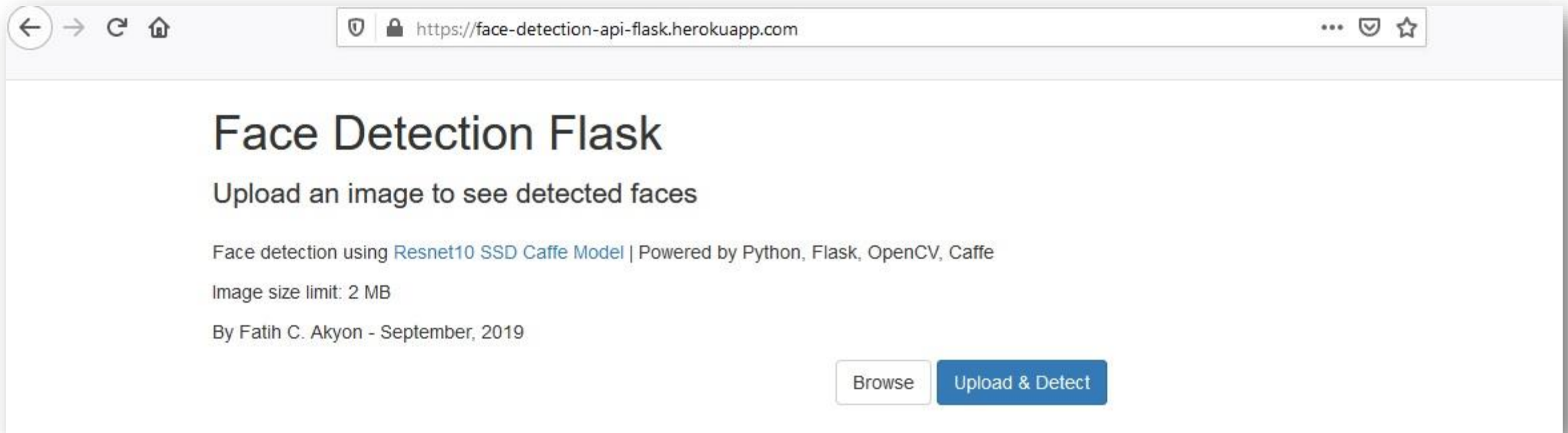
Upload & Detect

Yes! 4 face(s) detected!



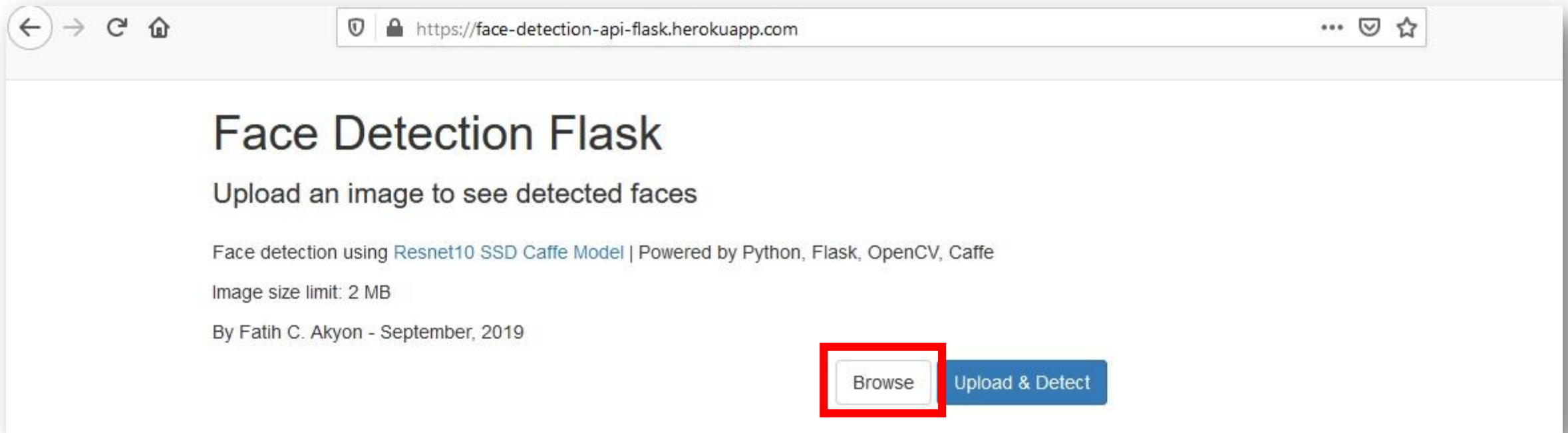
Web App Preview

- Live demo URL: <https://face-detection-api-flask.herokuapp.com/>



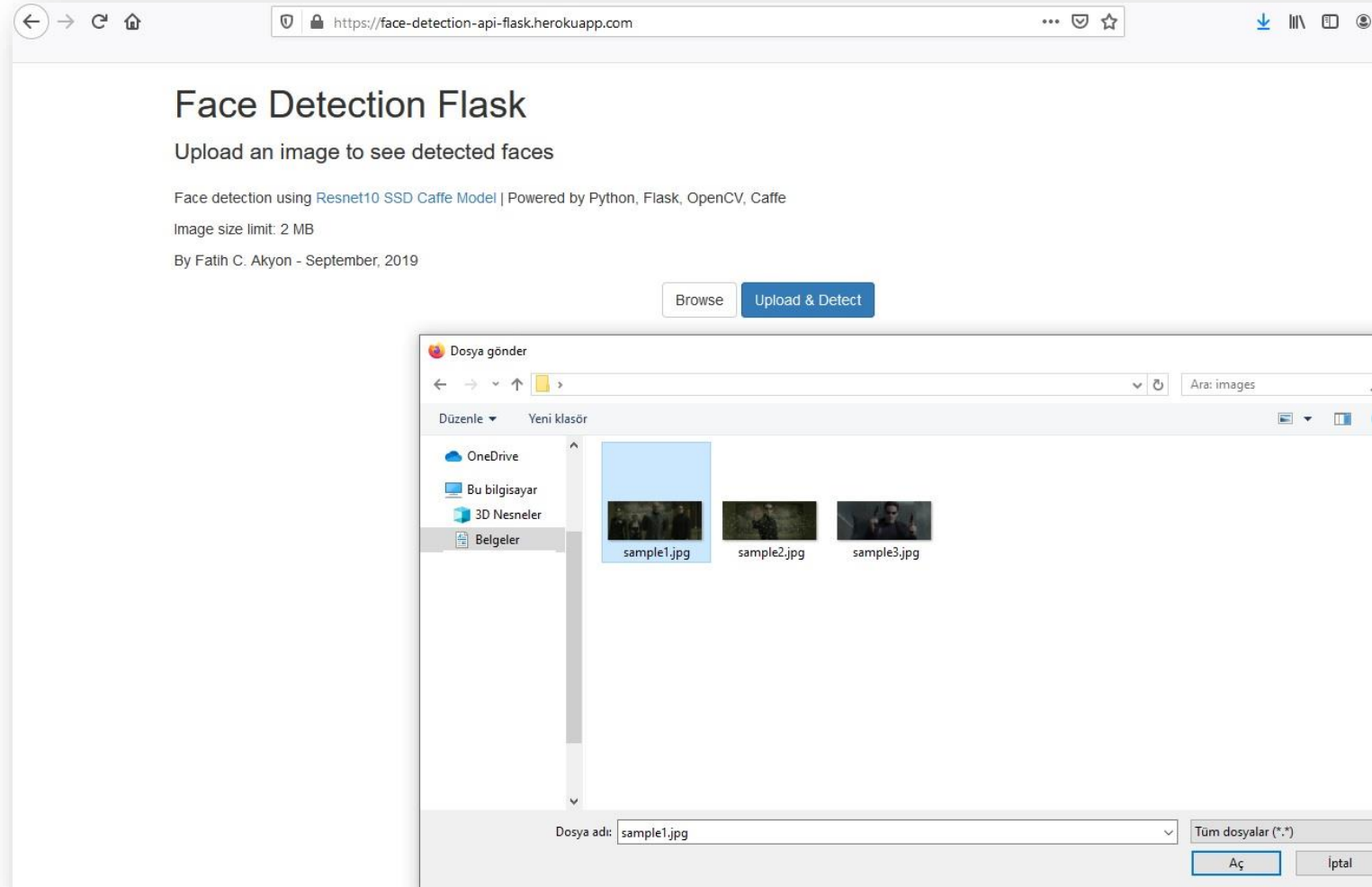
Web App Preview

- Press “browse” button



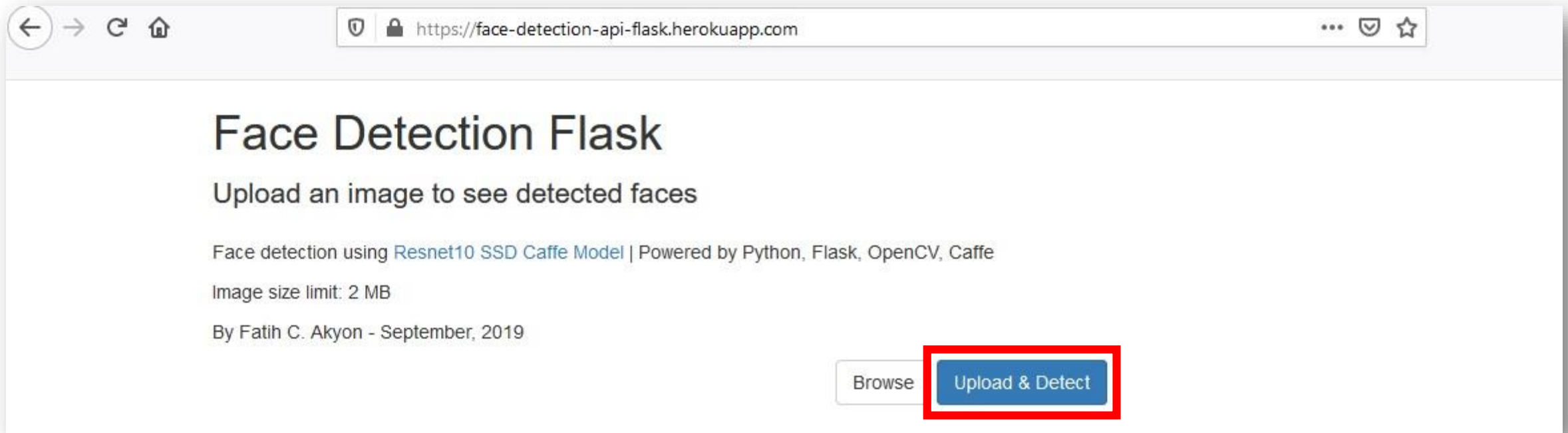
Web App Preview

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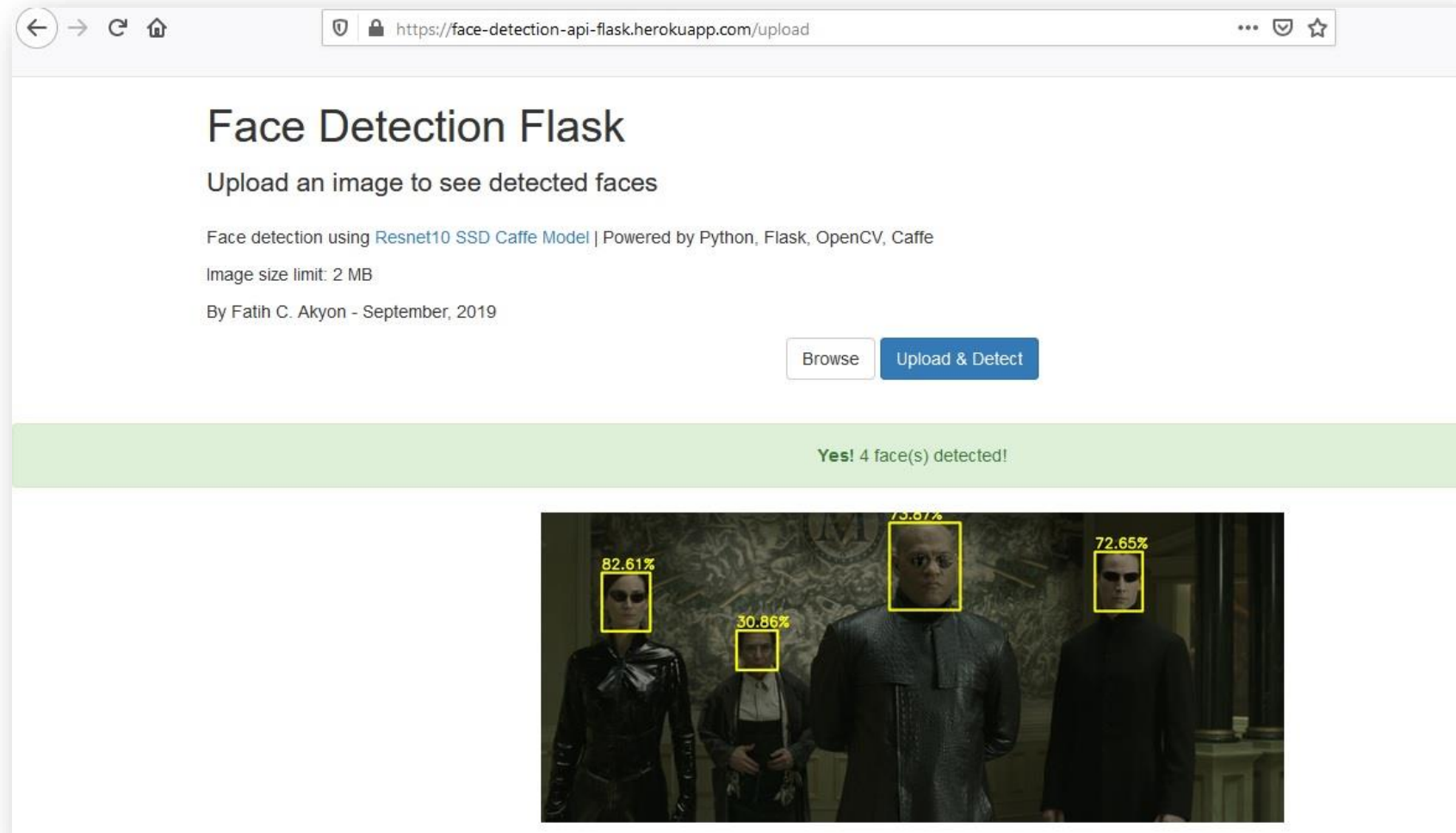
Web App Preview

- Press “upload and detect” button



Web App Preview

- Result will show up



Who Am I

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10+ IEEE papers
5 patents

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Computer Vision
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- Creating our Python environment
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- Creating face detection Flask app
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- Pushing our app to Github
- Deploying our app to AWS via Heroku

Miniconda setup

- Download latest miniconda installer for your platform from:

<https://docs.conda.io/en/latest/miniconda.html>

Miniconda

Miniconda is a free minimal installer for conda. It is a small, bootstrap version of Anaconda that includes only conda, Python, the packages they depend on, and a small number of other useful packages, including pip, zlib and a few others. Use the `conda install command` to install 720+ additional conda packages from the Anaconda repository.

[See if Miniconda is right for you.](#)

Windows installers

Windows

Python version	Name	Size	SHA256 hash
Python 3.7	Miniconda3 Windows 64-bit	51.5 MiB	f18060cc0bb50ae75e4d602b7ce35197c8e31e81288d069b758594f1bb46ab45
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Python 2.7	Miniconda2 Windows 64-bit	50.9 MiB	0647c54058f11842c37854edeff4d20bc1fbdad8b88d9d34d7efda1630e64046
	Miniconda2 Windows 32-bit	48.7 MiB	0d106228d6a4610b599df965dd6d9bb659329a17e3d693e3274b20291a7c6f94

MacOSX installers

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Python 2.7	Miniconda2 MacOSX 64-bit bash	39.4 MiB	ed08f4037e40e13eb1d2adc89e054dfb165470cc77be45ef2bf9cb31c8072f39
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Linux installers

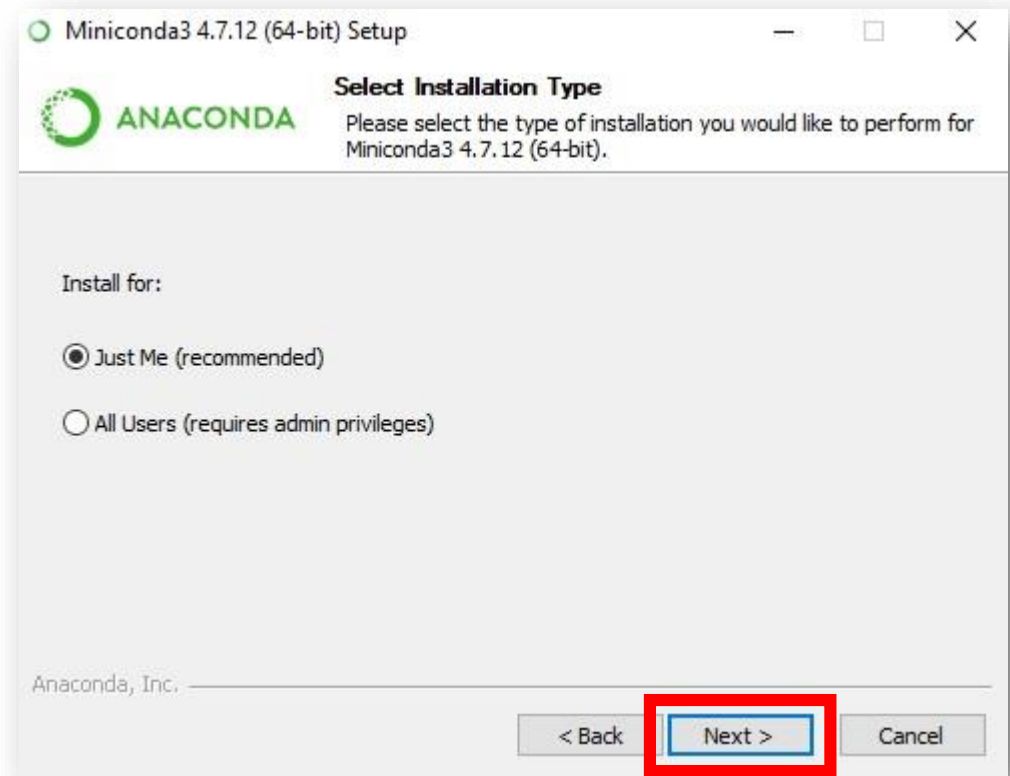
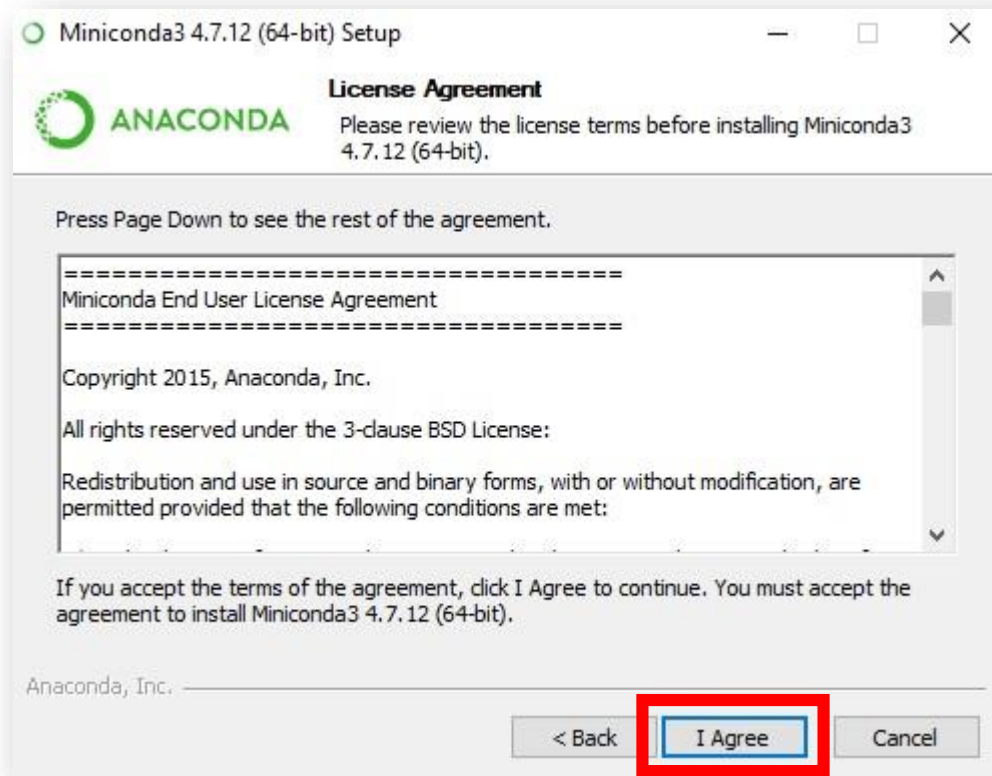
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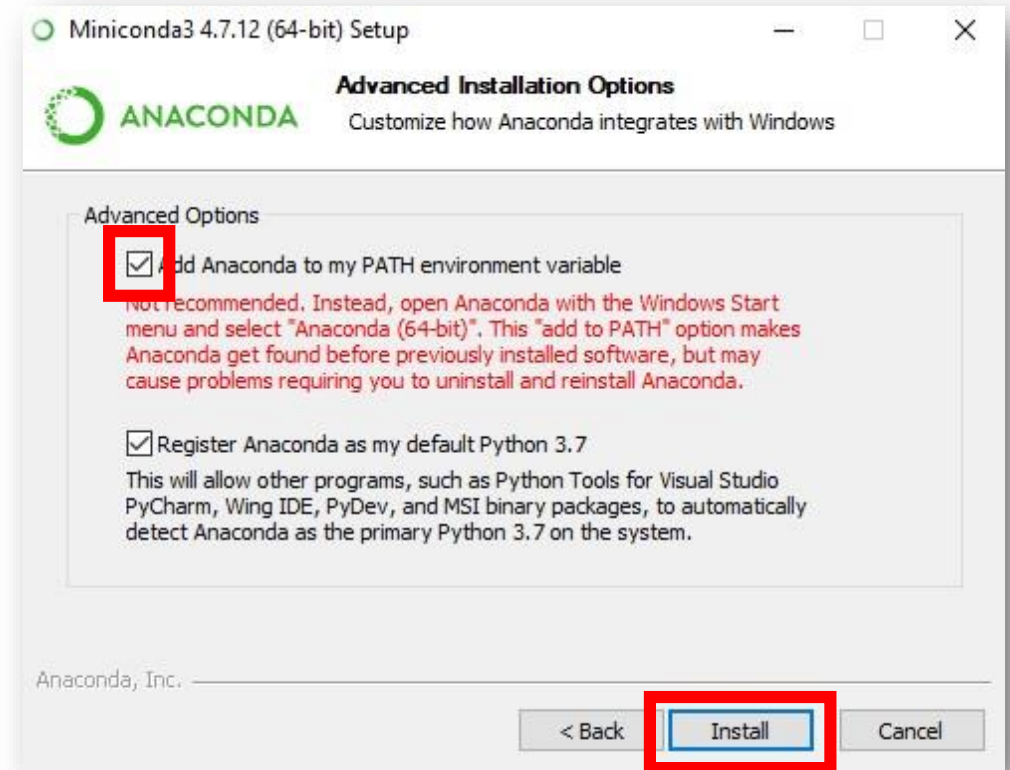
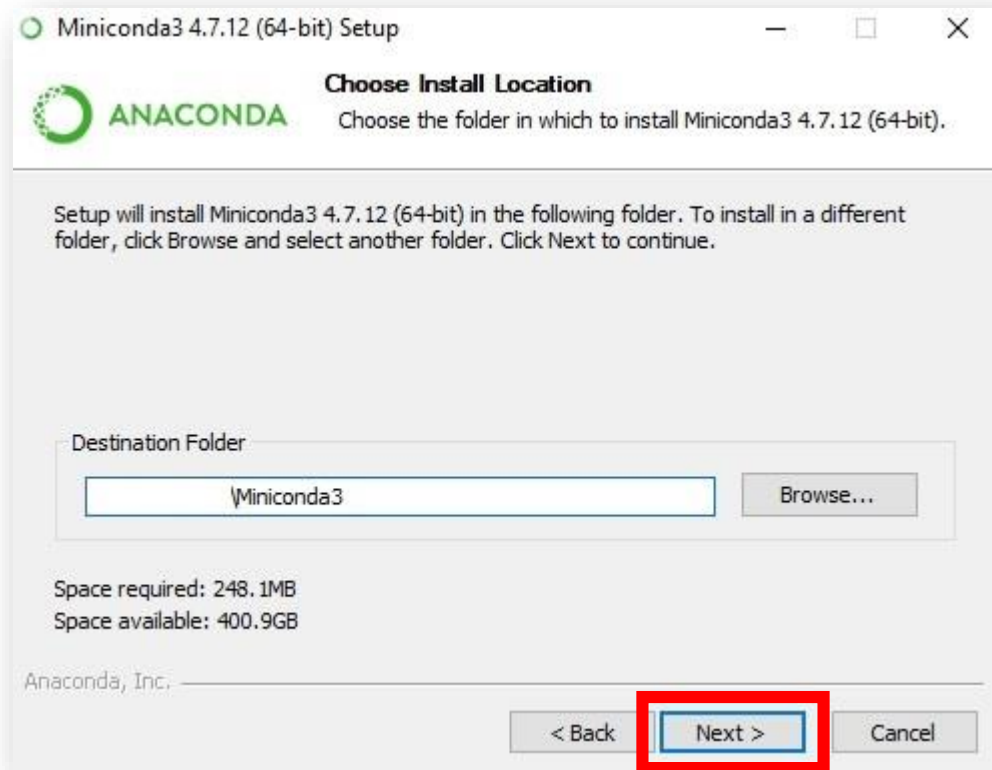


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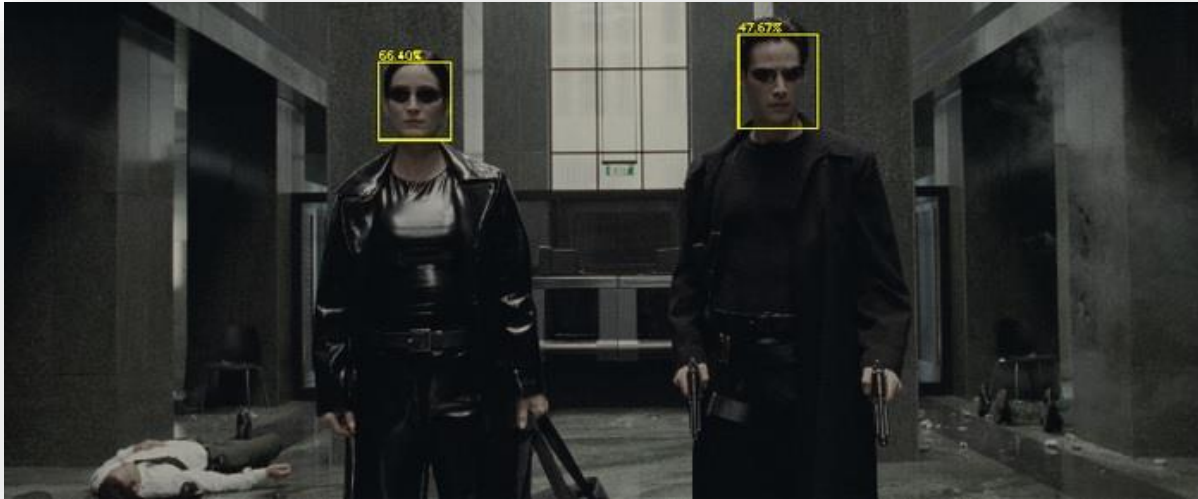
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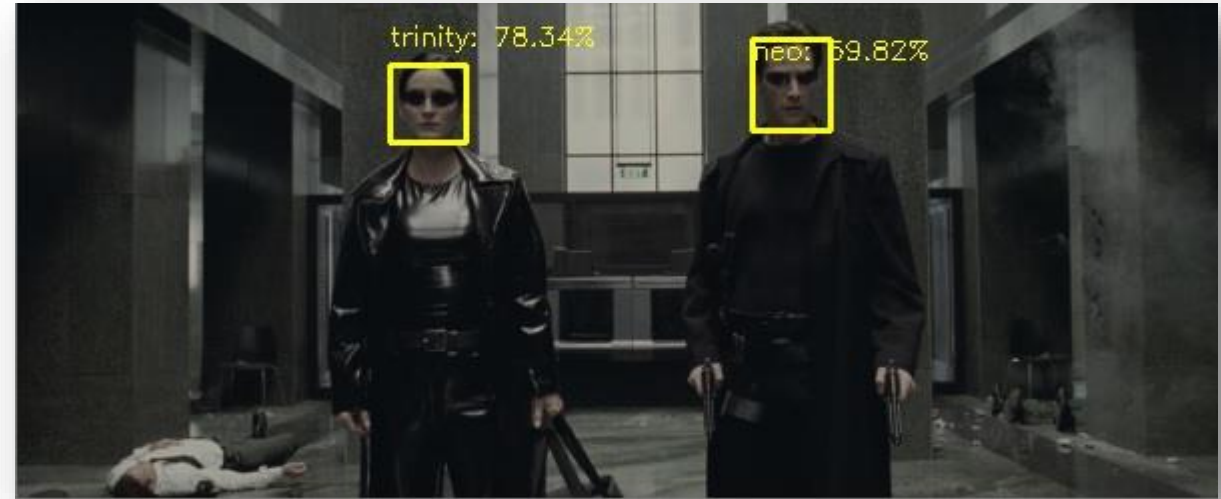
Python environment setup

- Open terminal (cmd)
- `"cd"` to project folder
- Enter `"conda create --name face-detection-app python=3.6"`
(To delete enter `"conda remove --name face-detection-app --all"`)
- Enter `"conda activate face-detection-app"`
- Install required packages
- Enter `"conda install spyder"` (For later)

Face detection tutorial



Face detection



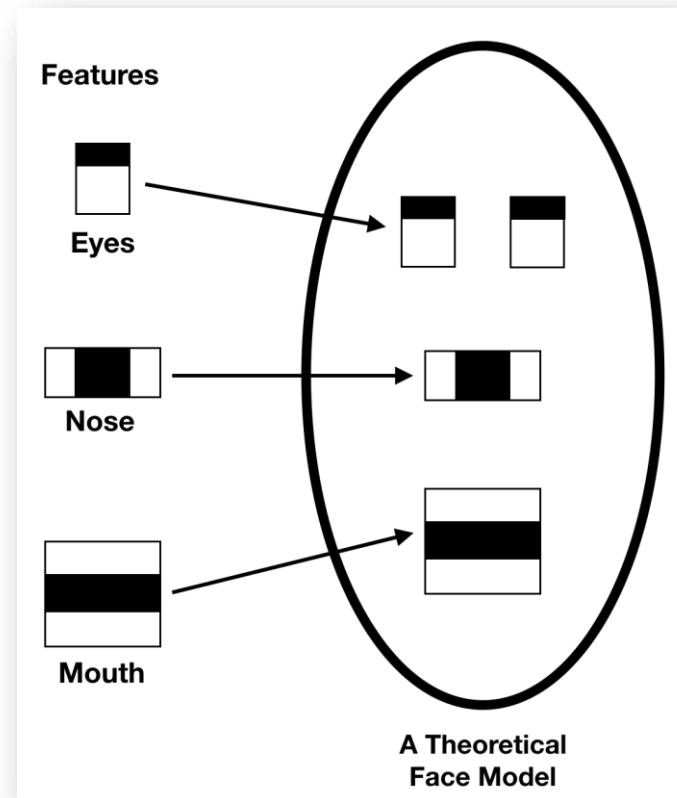
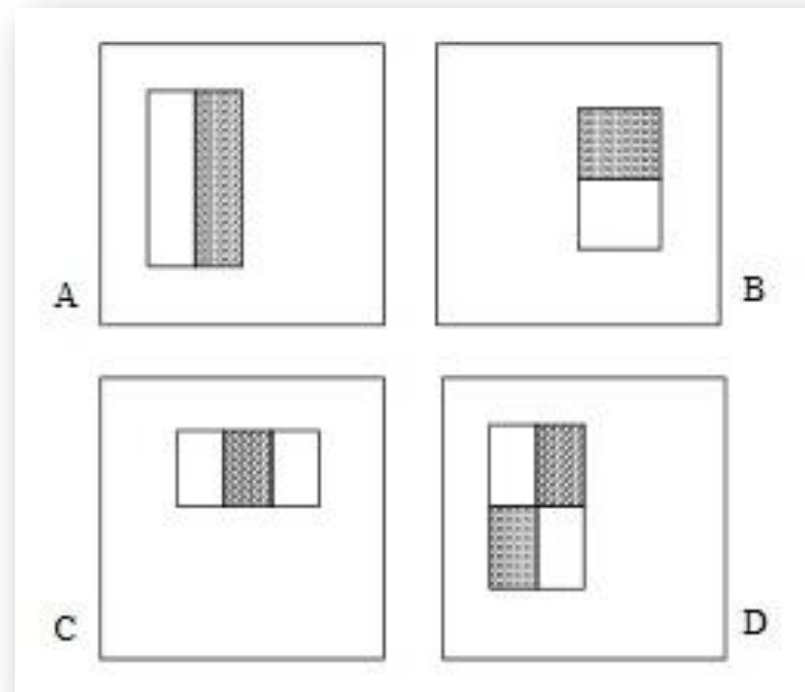
Face recognition

Face detection tutorial: Facebook example



Face detection tutorial: Haar cascades

Paper url: <https://www.cs.cmu.edu/~efros/courses/LBMV07/Papers/viola-cvpr-01.pdf>



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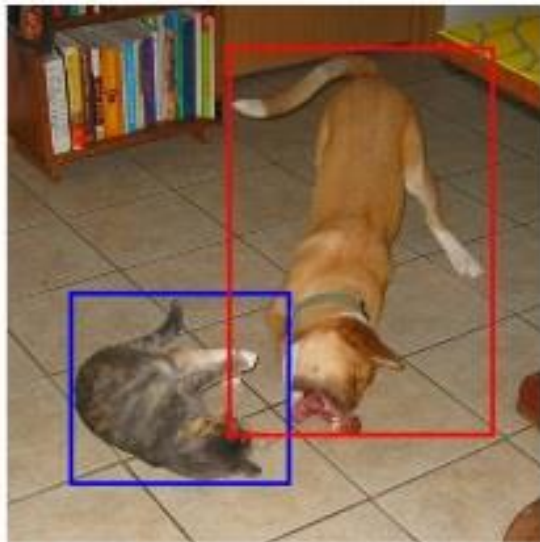
OpenCV function: `cv2.CascadeClassifier.detectMultiScale()`

scaleFactor: The value indicates how much the image size is reduced at each image scale. A lower value uses a smaller step for downscaling. This allows the algorithm to detect the face. It has a value of x/y , where x and y are arbitrary values you can set.

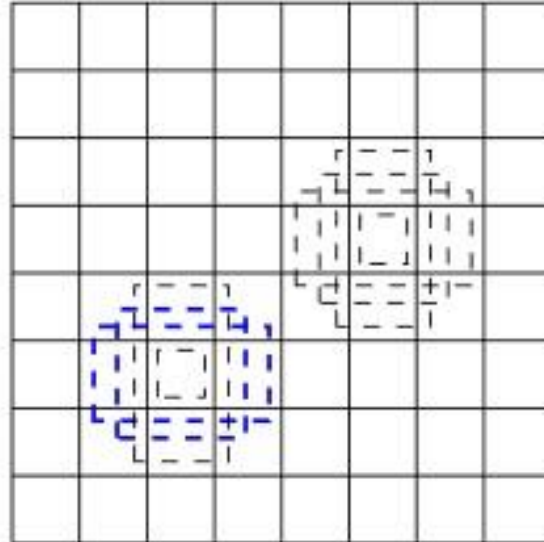
minNeighbors: This parameter specifies how many “neighbors” each candidate rectangle should have. A higher value results in less detections but it detects higher quality in an image. You can use a value of X that specifies a finite number.

Face detection tutorial: SSD

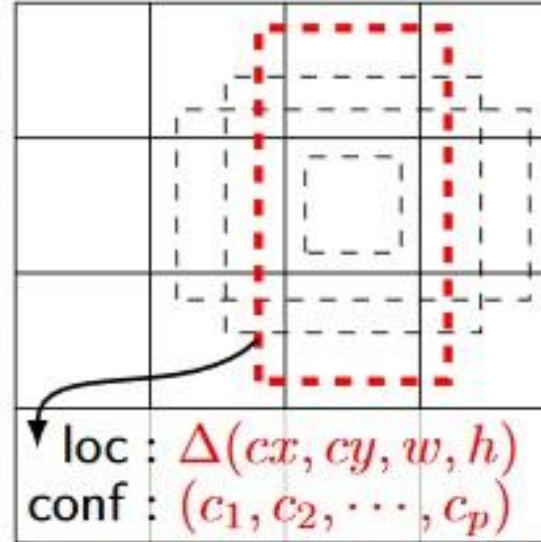
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(a) Image with GT boxes



(b) 8×8 feature map

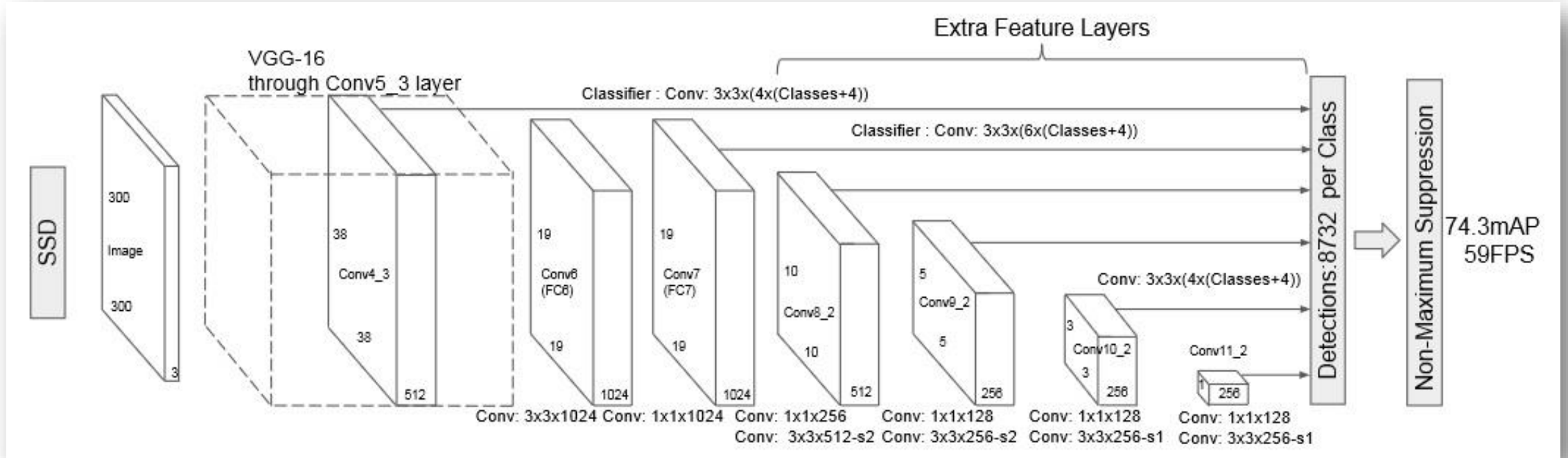


loc : $\Delta(cx, cy, w, h)$
conf : (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_p)

(c) 4×4 feature map

Face detection tutorial: SSD

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Face detection tutorial: DL Frameworks



Face detection tutorial: SSD

Our model = SSD Detector + (WIDER + Fddb Datasets)

"res10_300x300_ssd_iter_140000.caffemodel"

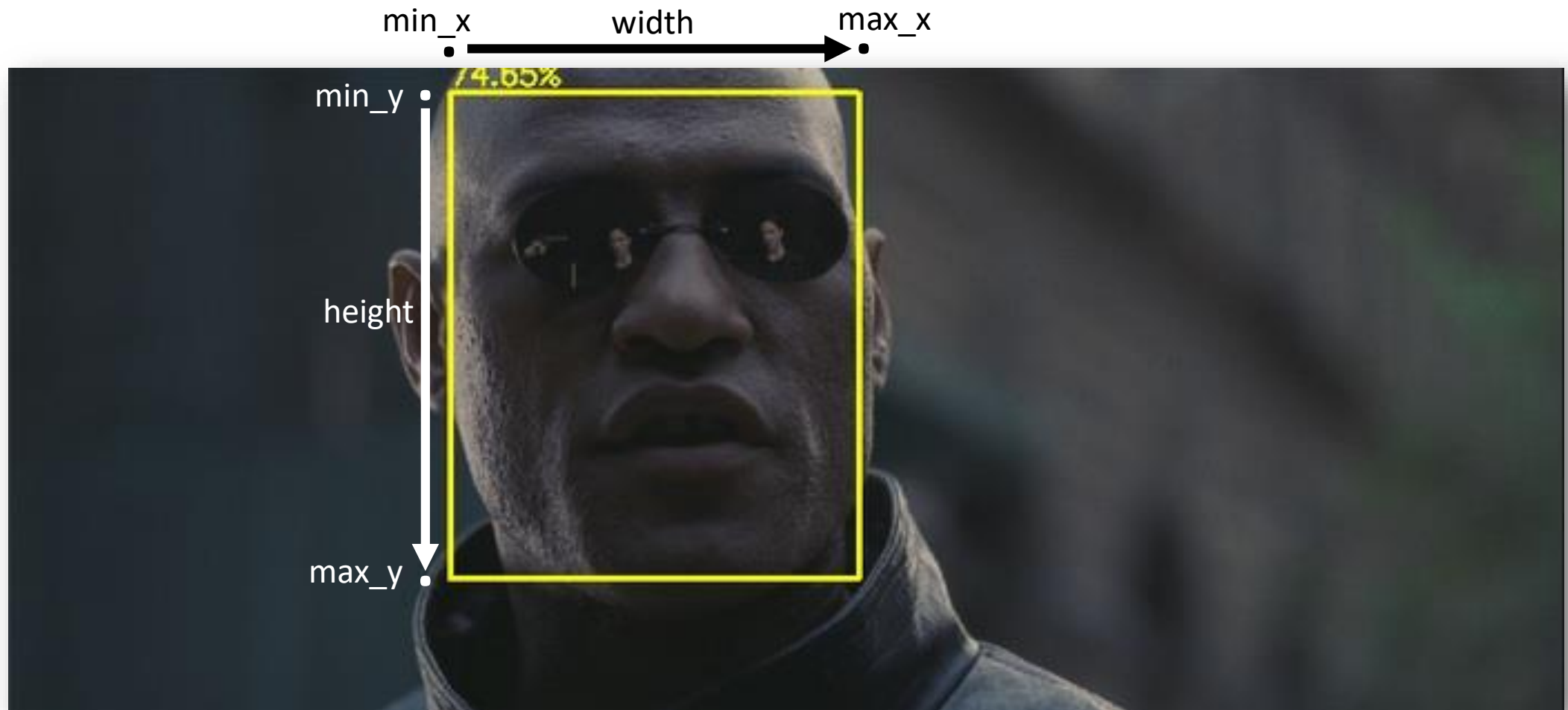
WIDER Dataset



Fddb Dataset

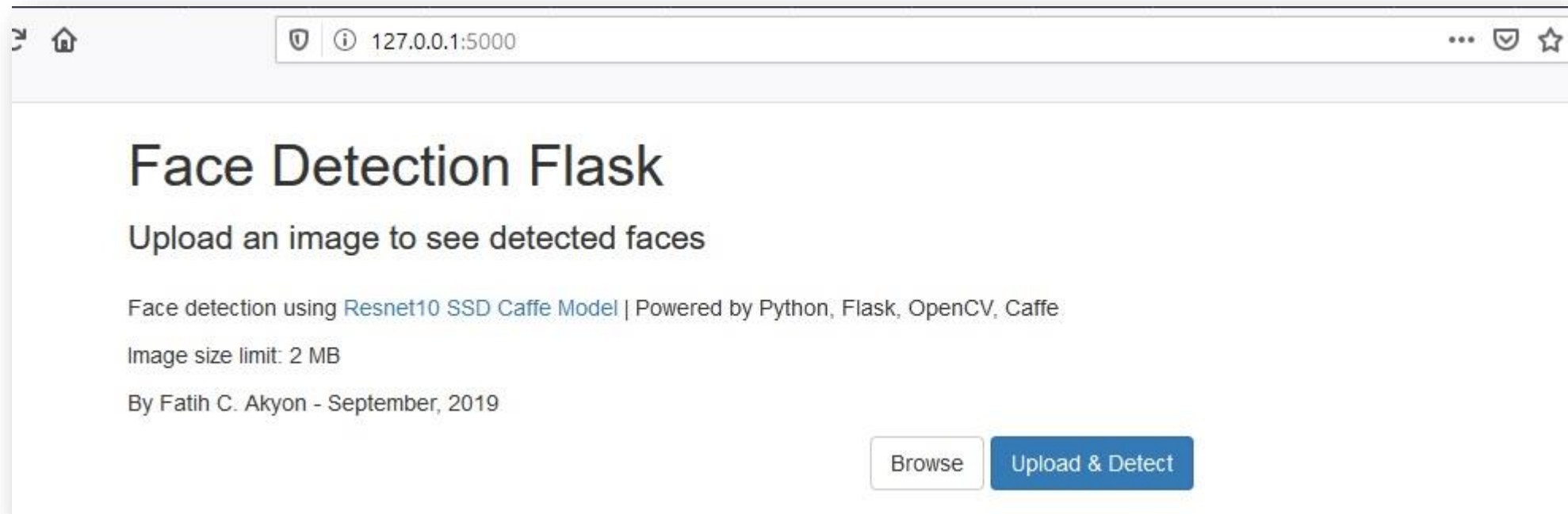


Face detection tutorial: OpenCV coordinates



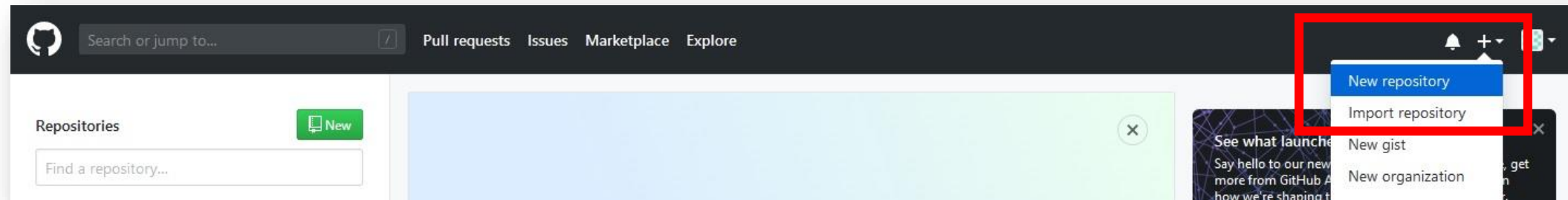
Face detection tutorial: Local test

- Enter “python app.py” at project directory
- Check <http://127.0.0.1:5000/> on browser



Git installation and Github account creation

- Download latest git installer for Windows from:
<https://git-scm.com/download/win>
- Install “*Git-2.24.0.2-64-bit.exe*”
- Create a Github account at:
<https://github.com/join>
- Create new repository:



Creating a Github repository

Create a new repository

A repository contains all project files, including the revision history. Already have a project repository elsewhere?
[Import a repository.](#)

Repository template

Start your repository with a template repository's contents.

No template ▾

Owner

Repository name *

fcakyon ▾

/ face-detection-app ✓

Great repository names are short and memorable. Need inspiration? How about [animated-enigma](#)?

Description (optional)

A face detection web app powered by SSD face detector using Flask/OpenCV/Heroku

☒ Public

Anyone can see this repository. You choose who can commit.

☐ Private

You choose who can see and commit to this repository.

Skip this step if you're importing an existing repository.

☒ Initialize this repository with a README

This will let you immediately clone the repository to your computer.

Add .gitignore: Python ▾

Add a license: None ▾ ⓘ

Create repository

Assign your repository name

Descriptive info on project

Good to have a readme file

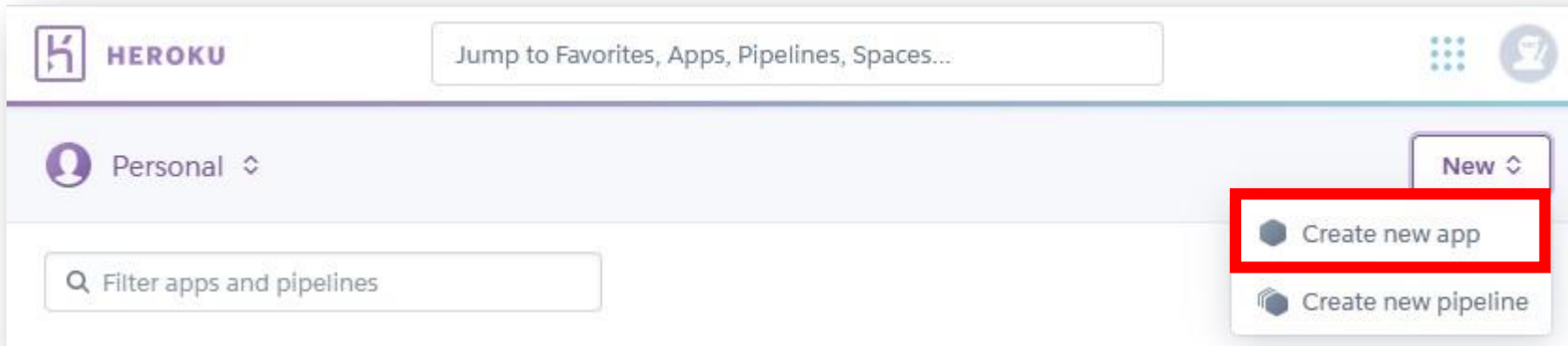
Prevents uploading unnecessary files

Pushing our project to Github

- Create empty folder
- Open git bash
- Enter “git init”
- Enter “git remote add origin ...”
- Enter “git pull origin master”
- Copy project folder inside this folder
- Enter “git add .”
- Enter “git commit -m ‘initial commit’ ”
- Enter “git push origin master”

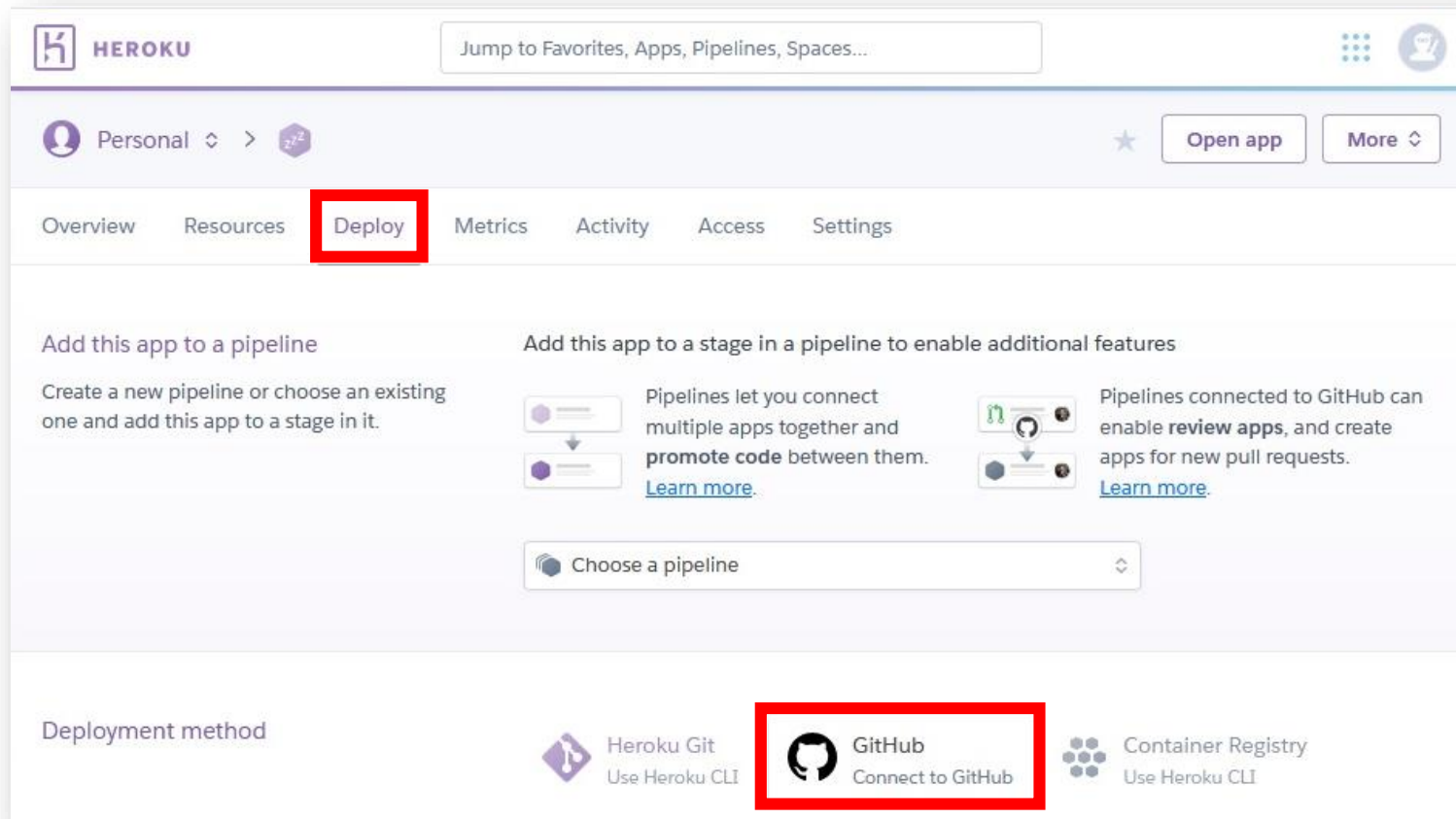
Creating a Heroku Account and App

- Create a Heroku account at:
<https://signup.heroku.com/>
- Create new Heroku app:
- <https://dashboard.heroku.com/apps>



Deploying Our App to Heroku

- Connect Heroku app to Github



Deploying Our App to Heroku

- Add buildpacks

The screenshot shows the Heroku Settings page for an application named 'face-recognition-api-flask'. The 'Settings' tab is highlighted in the top navigation bar. The page is divided into several sections: 'Name' (face-recognition-api-flask), 'Config Vars' (with a 'Reveal Config Vars' button), 'Info' (showing app details), and 'Buildpacks' (showing installed buildpacks). The 'Info' section includes details like Region (Europe), Stack (heroku-18), Framework (Python, Apt), Slug Size (176.6 MiB of 500 MiB), GitHub Repo (fcakyon/face-recognition-flask), and Heroku Git URL (https://git.heroku.com/face-recognition-api-flask.git). The 'Buildpacks' section shows two installed buildpacks: 'heroku/python' and 'https://github.com/heroku/heroku-buildpack-apt'. The 'Add buildpack' button is highlighted in the top right of the buildpacks section.

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