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Advanced face detection with Adaboost, Skin detection, Bootstrapping, and Cascades

The main goal of computer vision is to create an algorithm that can intelligently describe images and videos. There are many applications of computer vision out of face detection is the most popular. Face detection is a computer technology that is used to find and identify human faces in digital images. For this project, we did face detection with Adaboost, cascades, bootstrapping, and skin detection.

At first, we implemented the Adaboost algorithm in our dataset. Different faces and nonfaces were used in our dataset with altogether 3047 faces and 130 nonfaces for training our model. We cropped nonfaces images into We cropped given training faces into 50 by 50 so that we eliminate other parts and only necessary face features. We created a script called create training data.m which loads all the training images and we saved different variables like faces, non faces, faces_integrals, non_faces_integrals, face_size, face_horizontal, and face_vertical inside training_data.mat which we will later load into the train.m to perform training. We first choose 1000 random weak classifiers and saved weak_classifiers into classifiers 1000. Then we precomputed responses on all of our training examples on all weak classifiers. We then trained Adaboost on 15 rounds and calculated classification accuracy (figure below). It ranged from 78% to 99%. Then we performed bootstrapping on all our datasets and calculated the accuracy of the whole training data. In the beginning, we performed our training on all 3047 faces and only 130 non faces images because of which our accuracy while testing performed poorly. Later we cropped that nonface image into different small sizes and our testing accuracy performed better (we can see the difference in pictures below of Michael Jordan). While testing we experimented with different scales and different result numbers. Different pictures of our project are presented below.

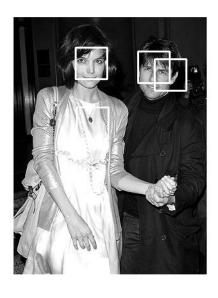
While Adaboost is a good method on its own but it was not able to give high accuracy results. So, we used bootstrapping to improve the accuracy and stability of our model. To perform bootstrapping, we ran our classifier on all training

images and identified correctly predicted and misclassified images. Because of this accuracy of our model increased.

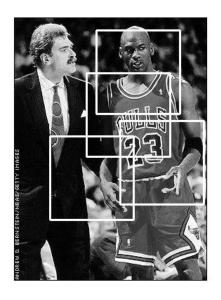
After training our model, we began testing it. We first tried testing without classifier cascade and skin detection on cropped faces. Our model did not perform well. Then we applied skin detection in color photos that were provided, and we got some good accuracy. Around 13 pictures out of 20 were classified fully correctly. Some were partially correct. Since we had histograms of positive and negative skin colors. It made it fast and accurate. Last was cascade classifier, unfortunately, we were not able to perform this on our model.

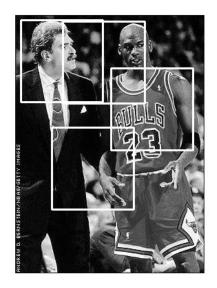
At last, this project was a good opportunity to demonstrate what we have learned throughout our class. We applied different algorithms to perform face detection. And computer vision is a very popular field right now and it has seen quite a bit of advancement in recent years, but still is far behind to accomplish its main goal. So, we would like to further our knowledge in this field, do some more research and expand our knowledge.

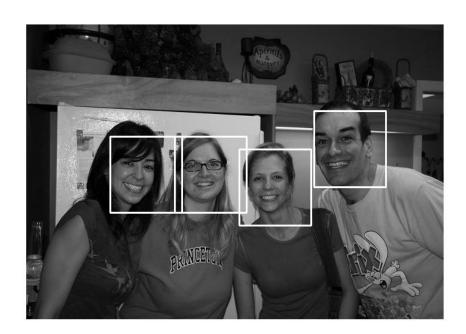
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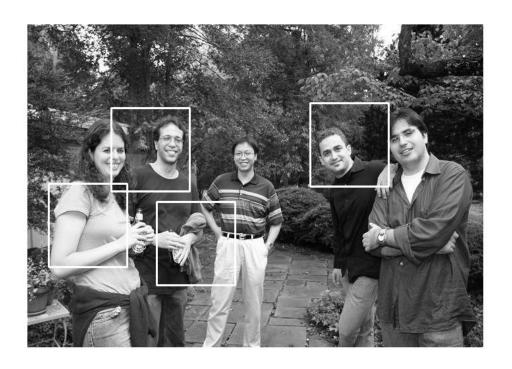


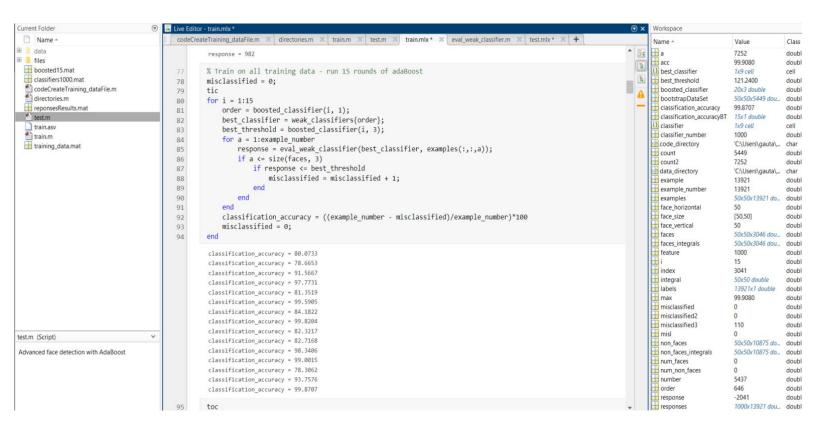












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