

Scene Text Localization

RECOGNITION, UNDERSTANDING

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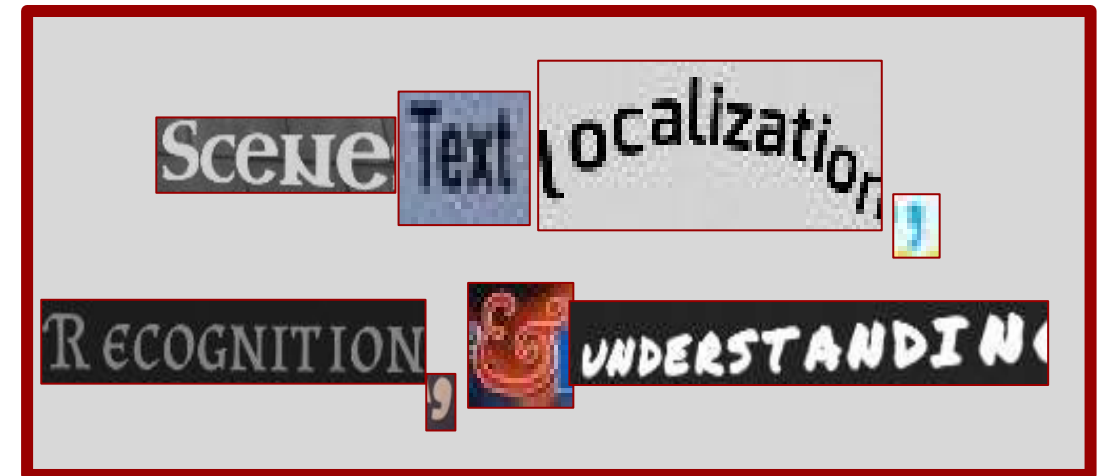


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# Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Scene-text Localization [60 minutes]
  - Theoretical introduction [20 minutes]
  - Practical [30 minutes]
  - Questions [10 minutes]
3. Scene-text Recognition [60 minutes]
  - Theoretical introduction [30 minutes]
  - Practical [20 minutes]
  - Questions [10 minutes]
4. Scene-text Understanding [50 minutes]
  - Theoretical introduction [30 minutes]
  - Practical [20 minutes]
  - Questions [10 minutes]
5. Closing Remarks



# Scene text understanding tasks

LOCALIZATION



RECOGNITION





# Scene text understanding tasks

## LOCALIZATION



## SEGMENTATION



## RECOGNITION



## SCRIPT IDENTIFICATION



## END-TO-END



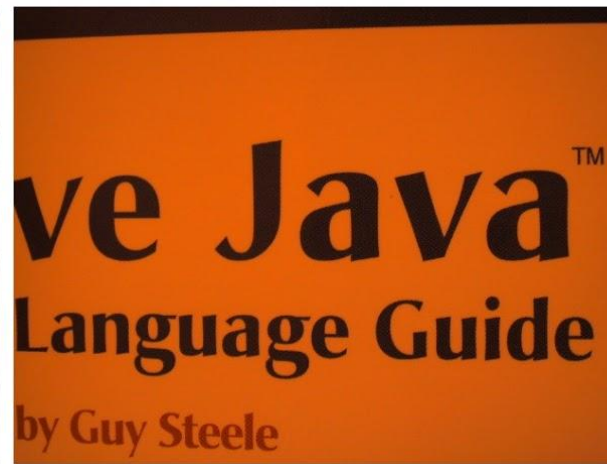
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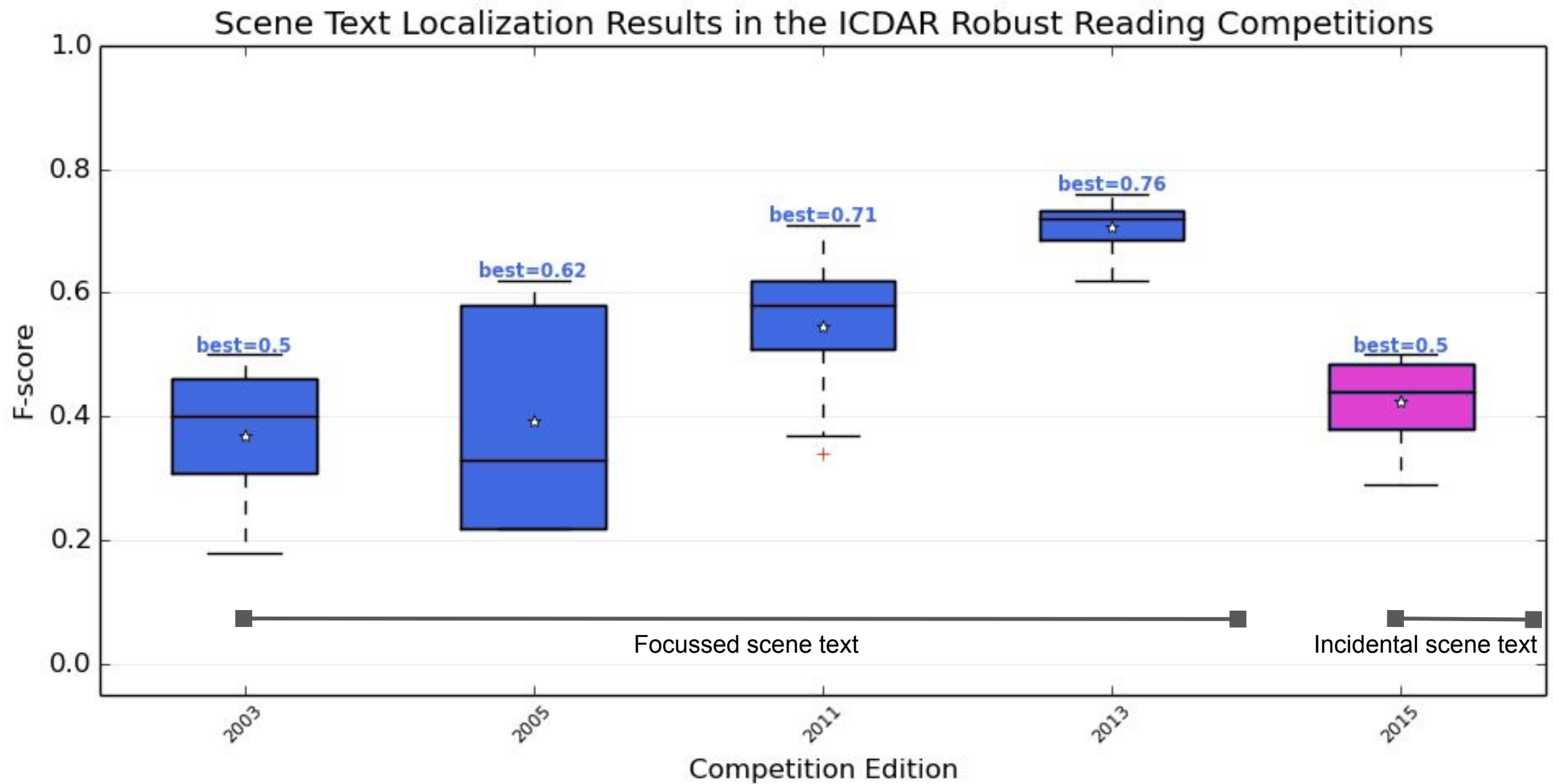
ICDAR 2003 “Focussed text” dataset [Lucas ICDAR03]



ICDAR 2015 “Incidental text” dataset [Karatzas ICDAR15]



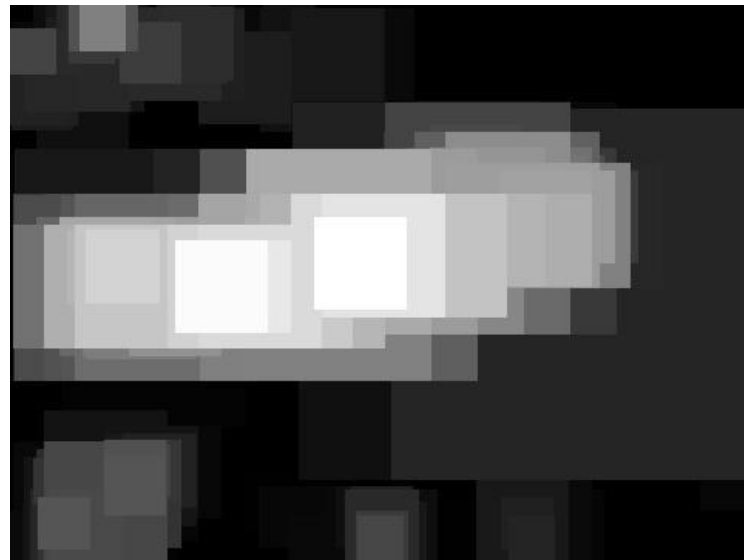
# Research progress in the last decade





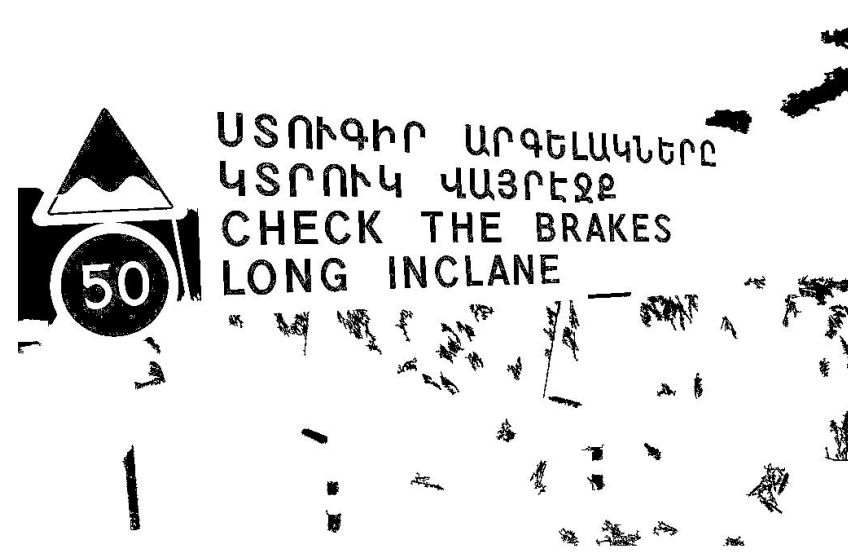
# Main approaches to scene text localization

## Sliding window



[Coates ICDAR11]

## Connected components

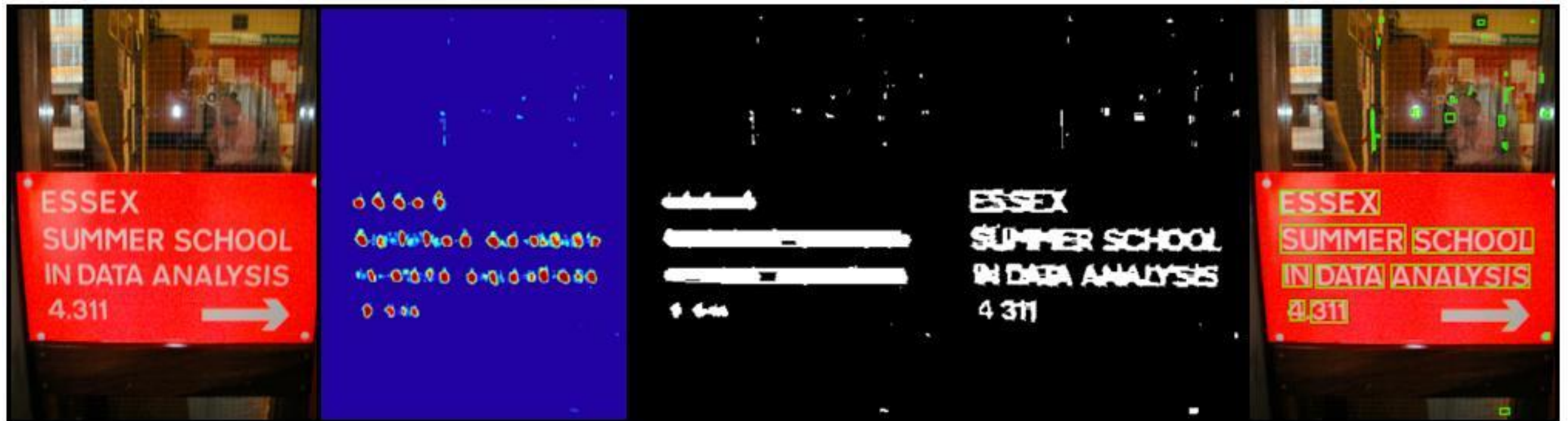


[Neumann ACCV10]



# Sliding window based text localization

Deep CNN classifiers



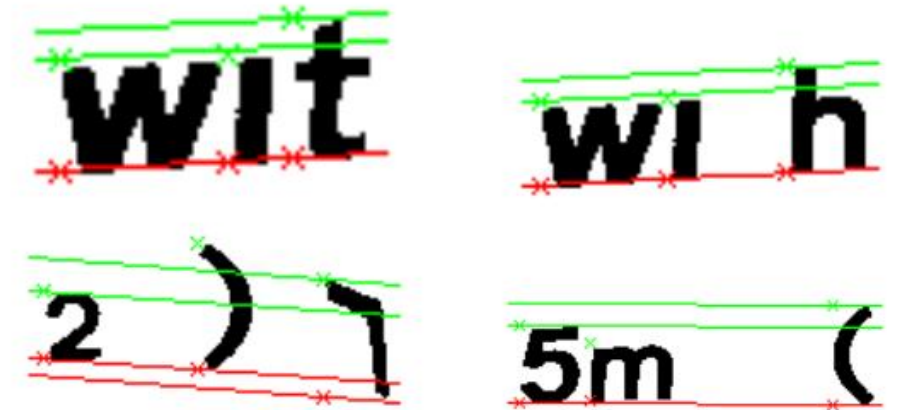
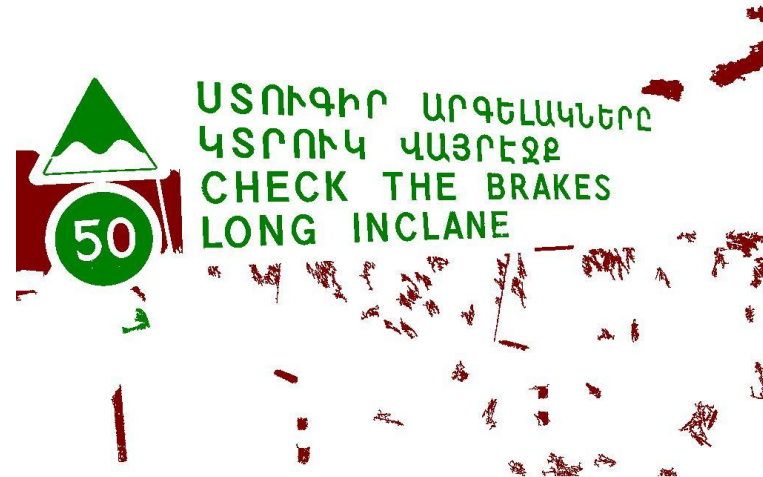
[Jaderberg ECCV14]

Hand-crafted features (before deep CNNs)

HOG, HaarLike, LBP, ....

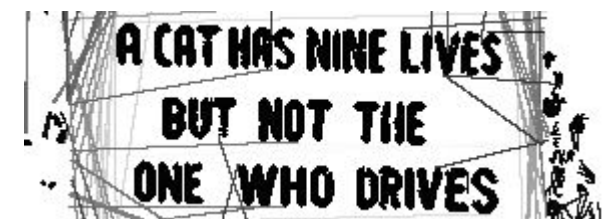
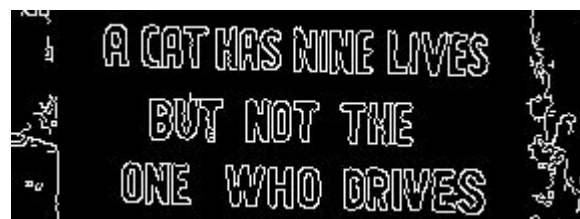
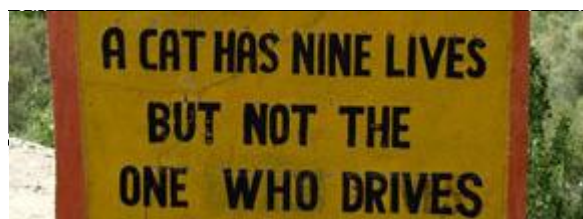
# Connected components based methods

## Maximally Stable Extremal Regions (MSER)



[Neumann ECCV10, Neumann ICDAR11]

## Stroke Width Transform (SWT)



[Epshtein CVPR10]



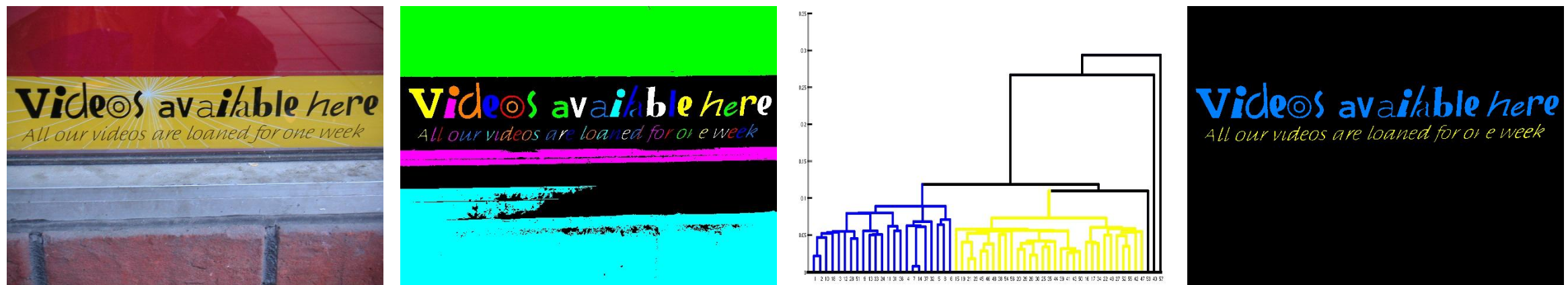
# Character candidates grouping strategies

## Font type model heuristics



[Neumann ICDAR11]

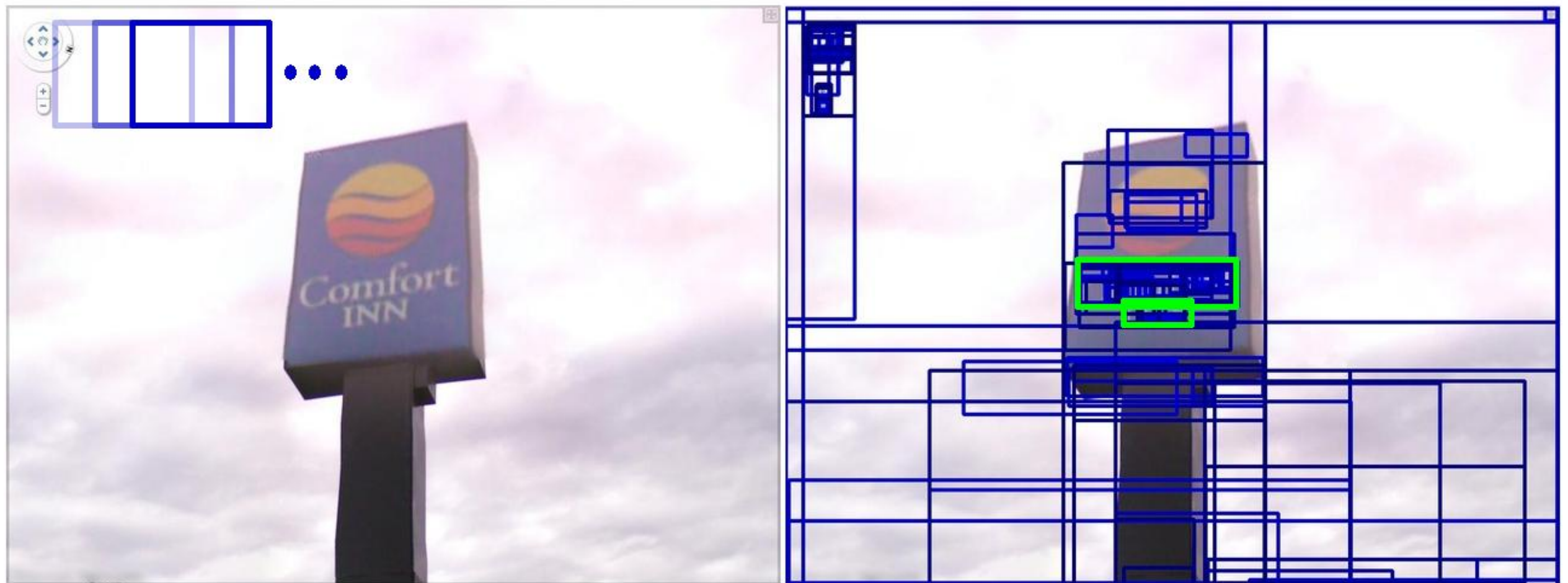
## Bottom-up agglomerative grouping by similarity and proximity



[Gomez ICDAR2013, Yin TPAMI2014]

# Object Proposals for end-to-end pipelines

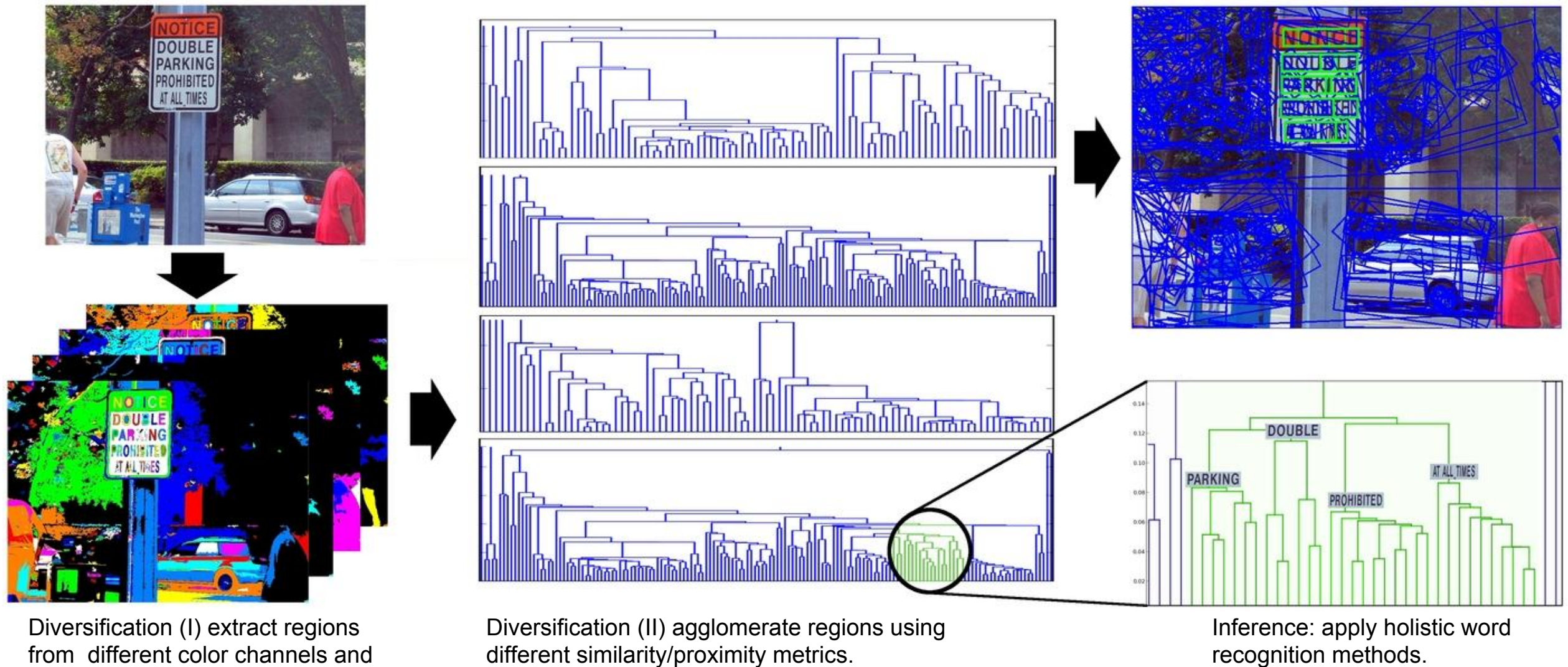
Exhaustive search vs. object proposals





# Object Proposals for end-to-end pipelines

## TextProposals: text specific selective search

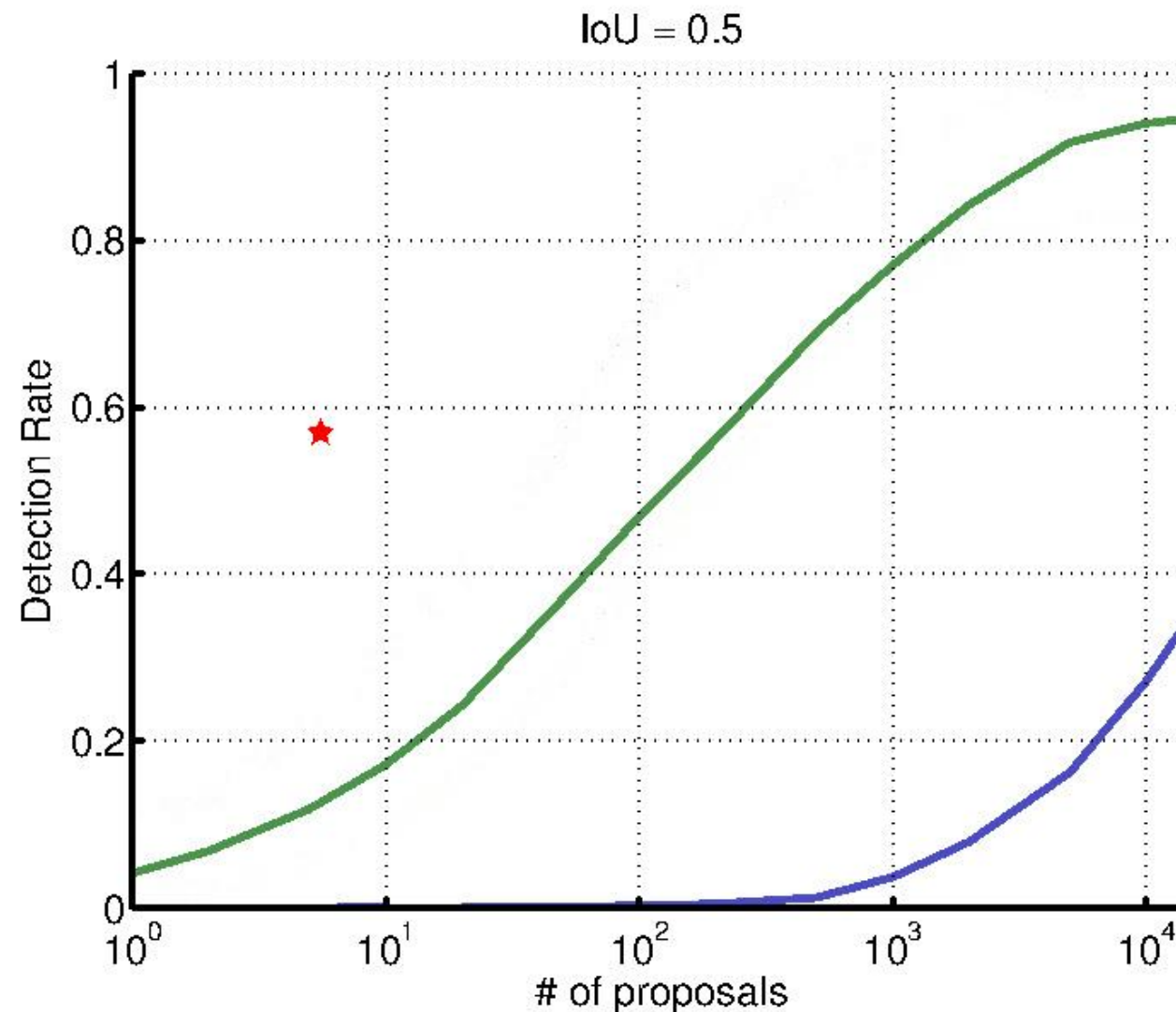


[Gomez ICDAR15, Gomez 2016]

# Object Proposals for end-to-end pipelines

ICDAR2015 Incidental Text dataset - Localization rates (recall)

TextProposals vs. class-independent proposals vs. traditional text detector



[Gomez ICDAR15, Gomez 2016]



# OpenCV text module


OpenCV 3.0.0-dev documentation » OpenCV API Reference »

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text. Scene Text Detection and Recognition

The `opencv_text` module provides different algorithms for text detection and recognition in natural scene images.

- Scene Text Detection
  - Class-specific Extremal Regions for Scene Text Detection
  - ERStat
  - MSERsToERStats
  - computeNMChannels
  - ERFiler
  - ERFiler::Callback
  - ERFiler::Callback::eval
  - ERFiler::run
  - createERFilerNM1
  - createERFilerNM2
  - loadClassifierNM1
  - loadClassifierNM2
  - erGrouping
- Scene Text Recognition
  - OCResseract
  - OCResseract::create
  - OCResseract::run
  - OCRHMMDecoder
  - OCRHMMDecoder::ClassifierCallback
  - OCRHMMDecoder::ClassifierCallback::eval
  - OCRHMMDecoder::create
  - OCRHMMDecoder::run
  - loadOCRHMMClassifierNM



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Scene Text Detection

<http://docs.opencv.org/3.0-beta/modules/text/doc/text.html>

# Other publicly available algorithms

[Wang ICCV11] <http://vision.ucsd.edu/~kai/grocr/>

[Minnetto CVIU13] <http://www.dainf.ct.utfpr.edu.br/~rminetto/projects/snoopertext/>

[Epshtein CVPR10] <http://libccv.org/doc/doc-swt/>

[Gomez ICDAR13] [https://github.com/lluisgomez/text\\_extraction](https://github.com/lluisgomez/text_extraction)

[Busta ICCV15] <https://github.com/MichalBusta/FASText>

others ...



# Tutorial demos and code

- Installing the OpenCV text module is easy. (Use the Source, Luke!)
- MSER demo
- Class Specific Extremal Regions
- Region Grouping
- Text Proposals