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Improving WATSS web application with Computer Vision techniques

Visual and Multimedia Recognition

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Introduction

WATSS, **Web Annotation Tool for Surveillance Scenarios**, is a web-based annotation tool developed to annotate dataset in surveillance systems.

Main goal: improve WATSS with some **Computer Vision approaches**, in order to make easy for users to use this tool and make the annotation process more *automatic*



LabelMe

- Web-based tool, also for mobile applications
- Annotate scenes with polygonal areas
- Nested objects and occlusion annotation
- Zoom in and out of the scene



ViPER-GT

- Java application tool
- Annotate scenes with geometrical shapes
- Timeline and annotation highlighting on time change
- Linear interpolation between annotations
- Zoom in and out of the scene



VATIC

- Online tool
- Developed for object detection
- Crowd-sourcing to Amazon's Mechanical Turk
- Multiple plugins: object tracking, sentence annotation, etc.





WATSS

- Web-based tool
- Annotation with bounding box
- Occlusion area
- Coarse gaze estimation
- Groups and POI under observation
- Multiple cameras manager

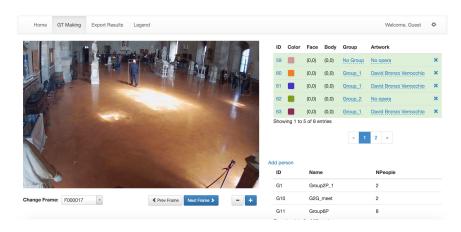


Improvements

- User interface renovation
- Simpler annotation making and editing
- Video timeline for annotations
- Annotation automatic proposals generation
- Scene geometry-based enhancement
- Easy **setup** process

User interface renovation

The old WATSS user interface







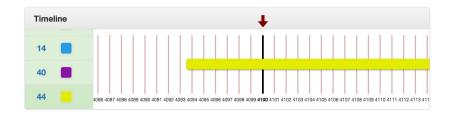
User interface renovation

The **new** WATSS user interface



Video timeline

In the video **timeline** all the video frames are shown, coloring the ones with at least one annotated person.



Selecting a person in the list, the timeline displays its **history** highlighting frames where it is present. It is possible to navigate video frames by clicking on it.



Proposals generation

It is possible to generate **proposals** for a person in some selected frames based on previous annotation of a it using timeline: just click and drag highlighted annotation. Proposals generation is based on

the combination of three different techniques:

- Motion detection using a background substractor
- Pedestrian detection using HOG descriptors
- Kalman filter for the motion estimation

