

How to Aggregate Arbitrary Online Trackers

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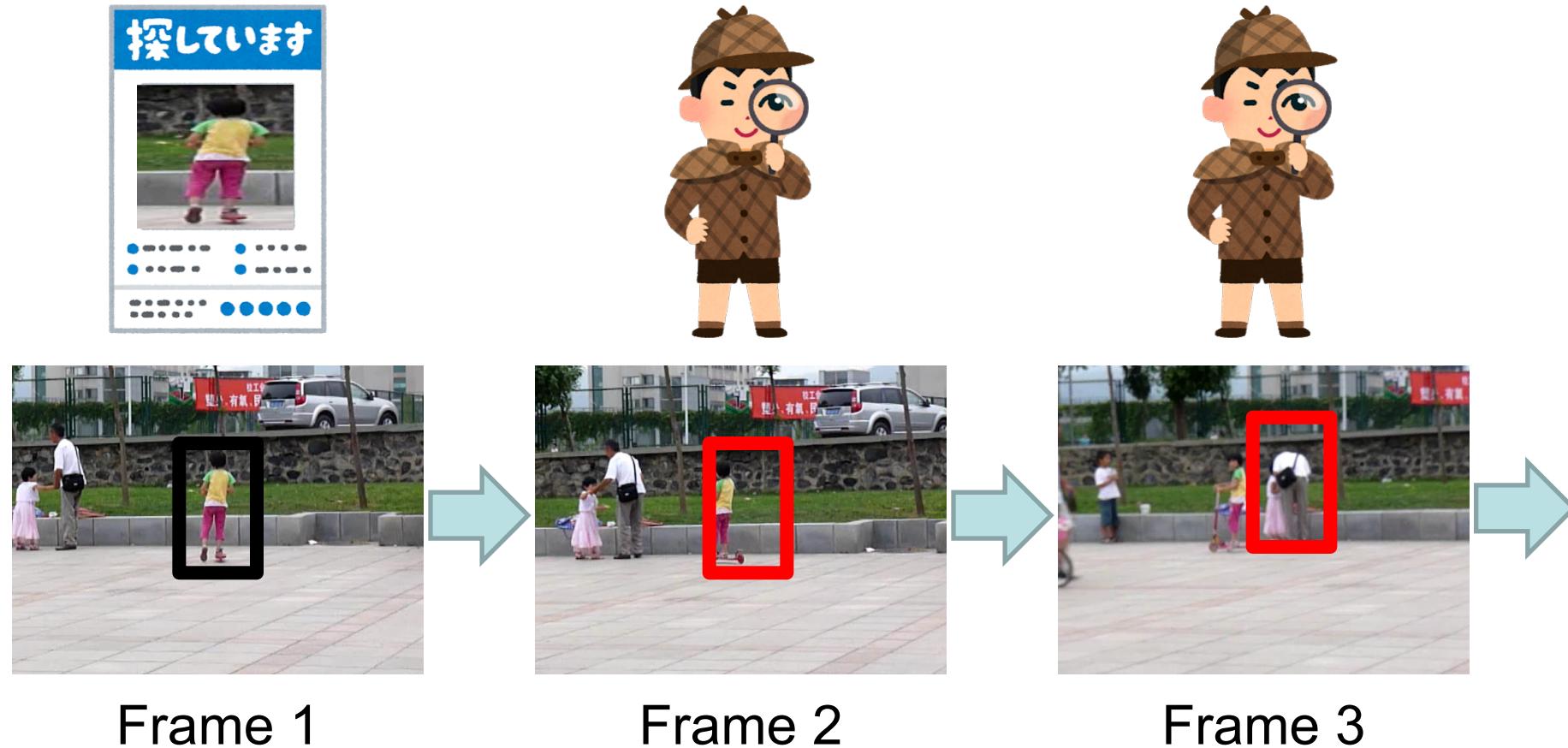
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INTRODUCTION

What is online Visual Object Tracking (VOT)?

- Given a target location at the first frame,
we should track the target and predict the location.



What makes online VOT difficult?

- Depending on videos,
we may have to track completely different objects.
- There might be a heavy appearance change
of the target or occlusion even in a video.



What makes online VOT difficult?

No almighty online tracker



Use multiple online trackers for robust tracking



I track
animals
well



I track
plastics
well



I track
occluded
object
well

We call them
“experts”

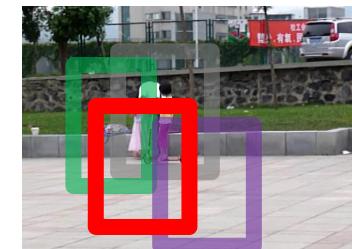
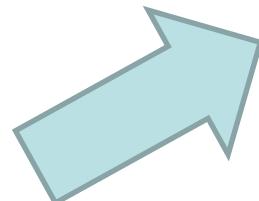
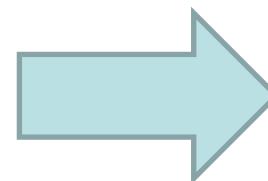
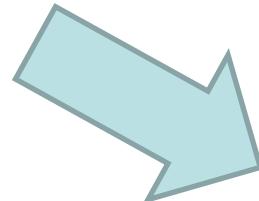


Use multiple online trackers for robust tracking

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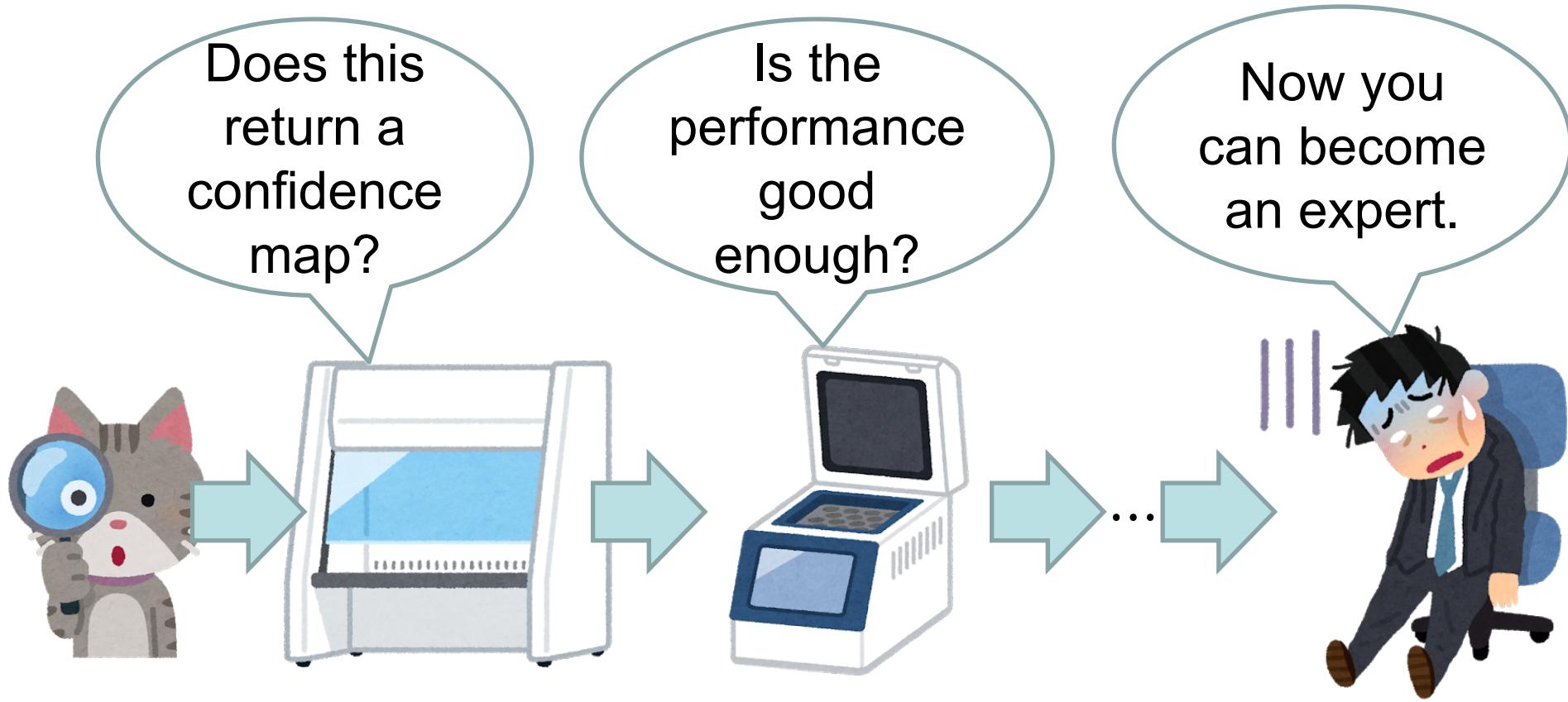


Simply average
experts' estimation
every frame



Problems with using experts

- Most algorithms using experts require a lot of restrictions to use online trackers as experts.



In our work

- The proposed method can aggregate arbitrary trackers.
- Moreover, The performance of the proposed method is theoretically guaranteed.

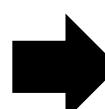


TRACKING WITH MULTIPLE ONLINE TRACKER

Aggregate multiple online trackers based on expert aggregation technique^[1]



The size of arrow
= Reliability

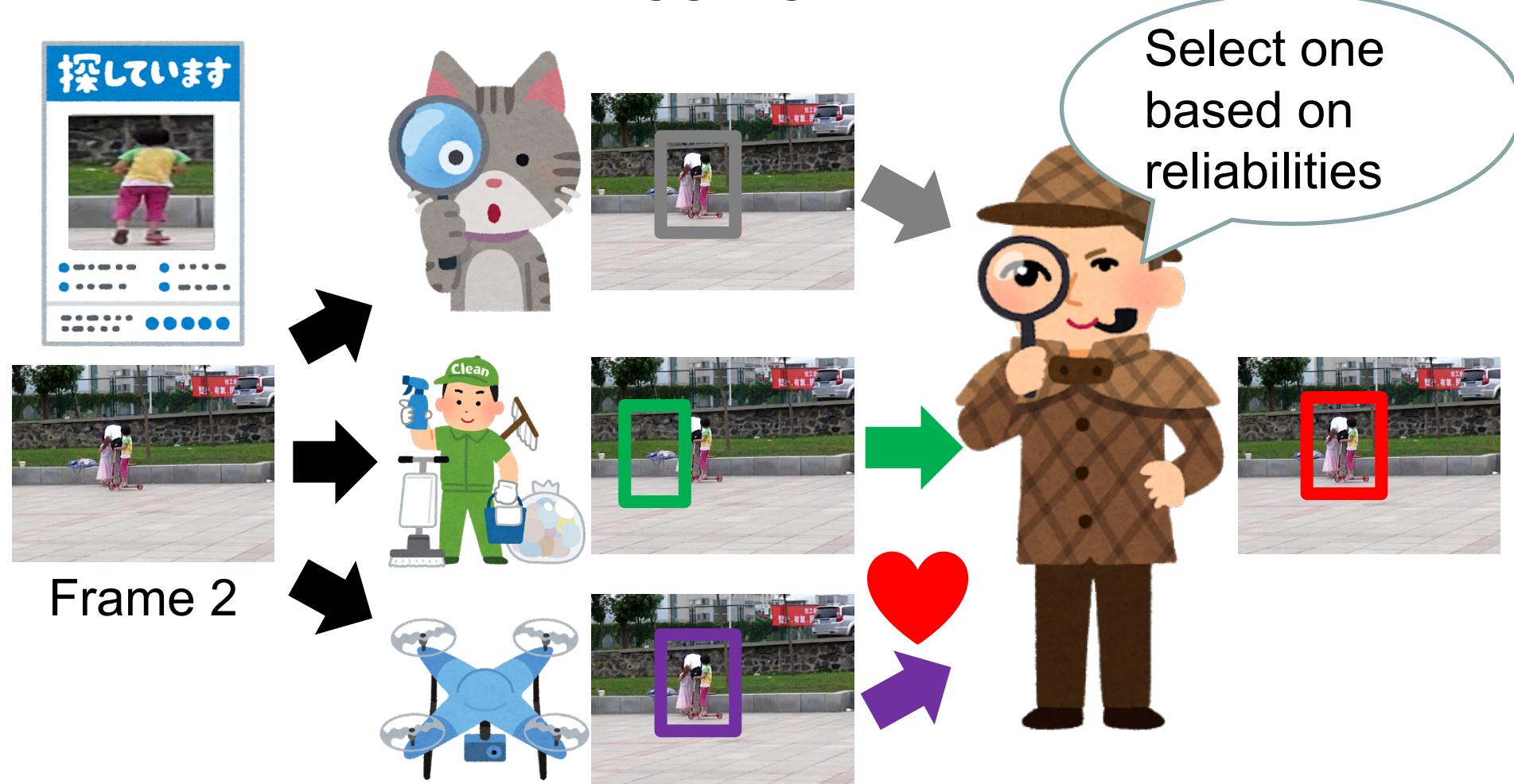


Frame 2



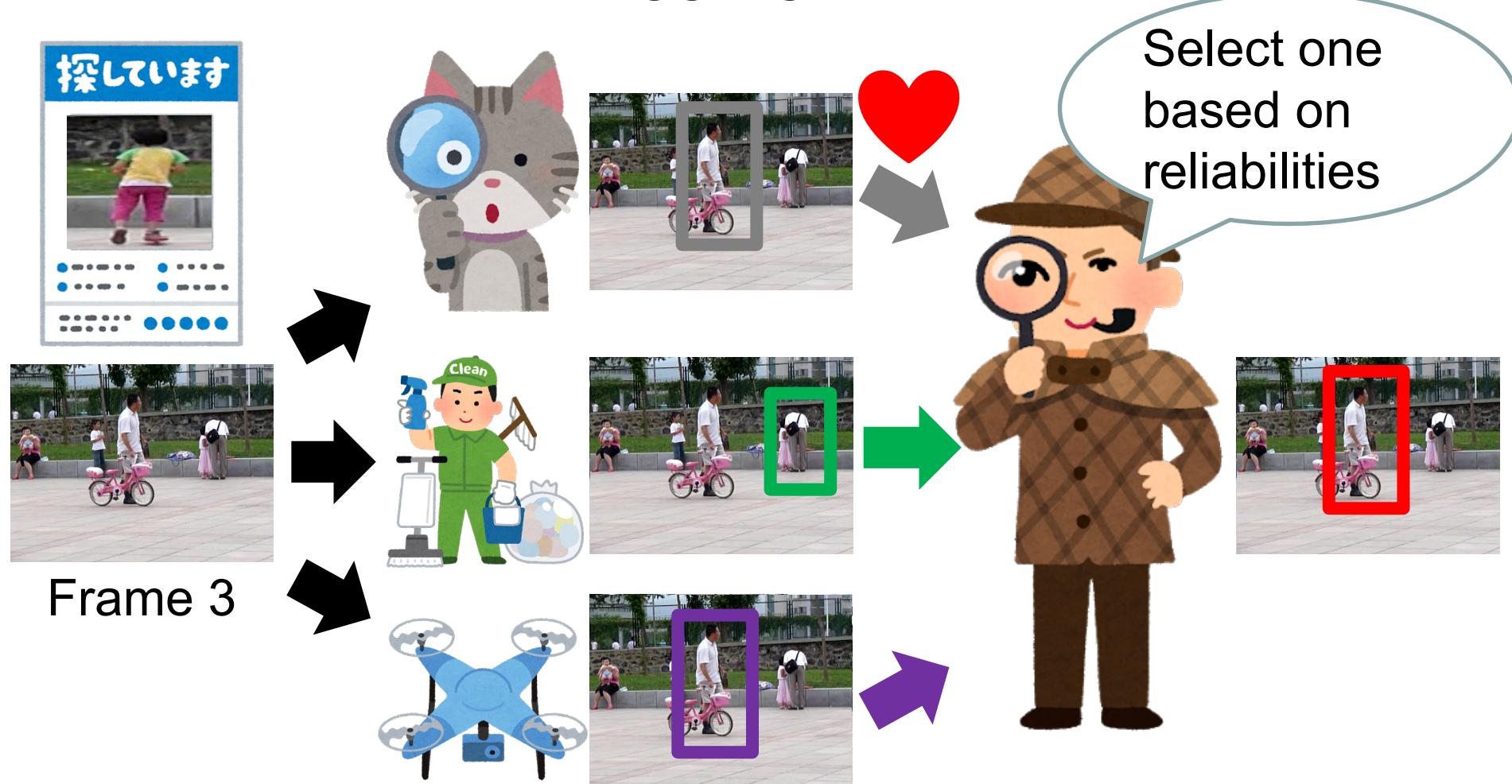
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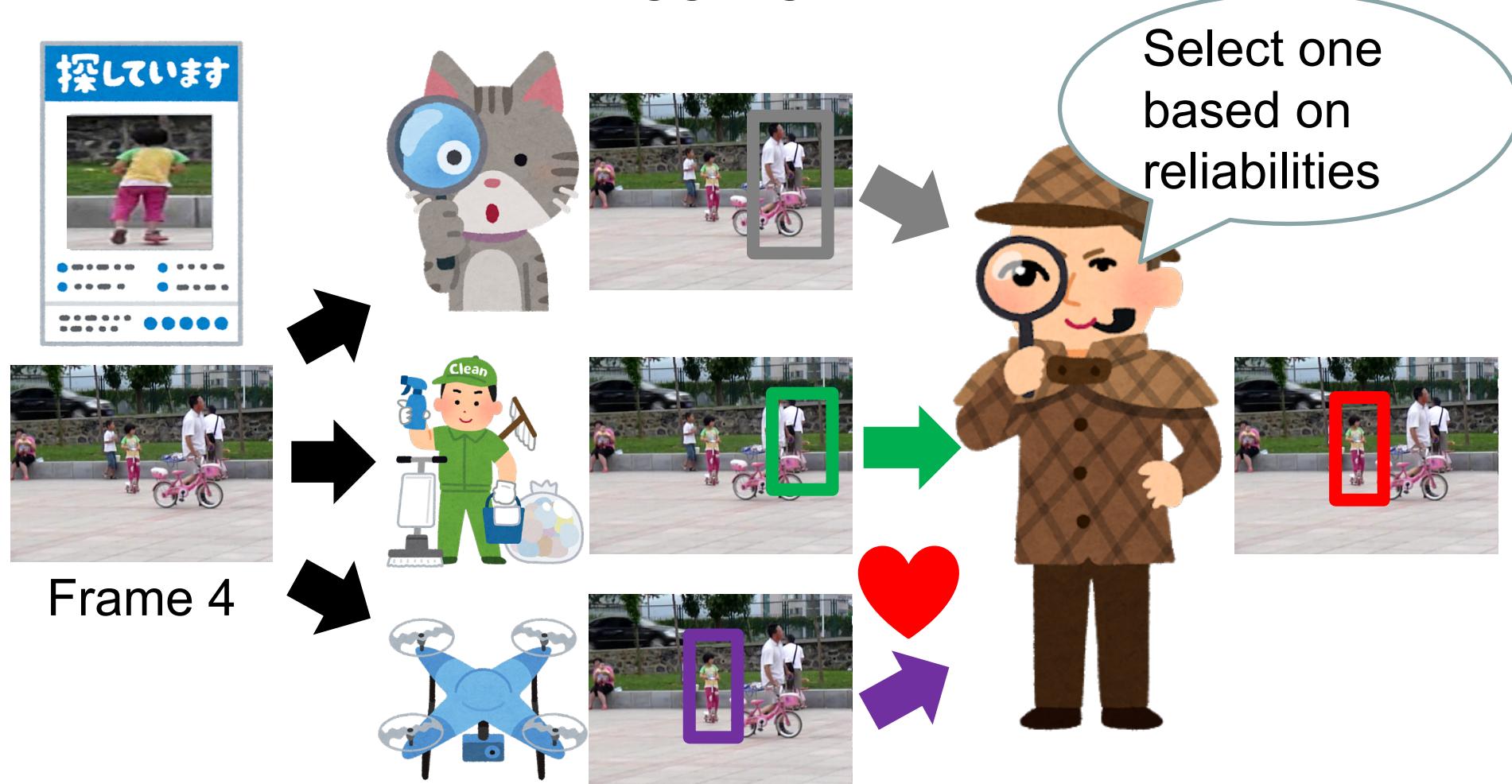
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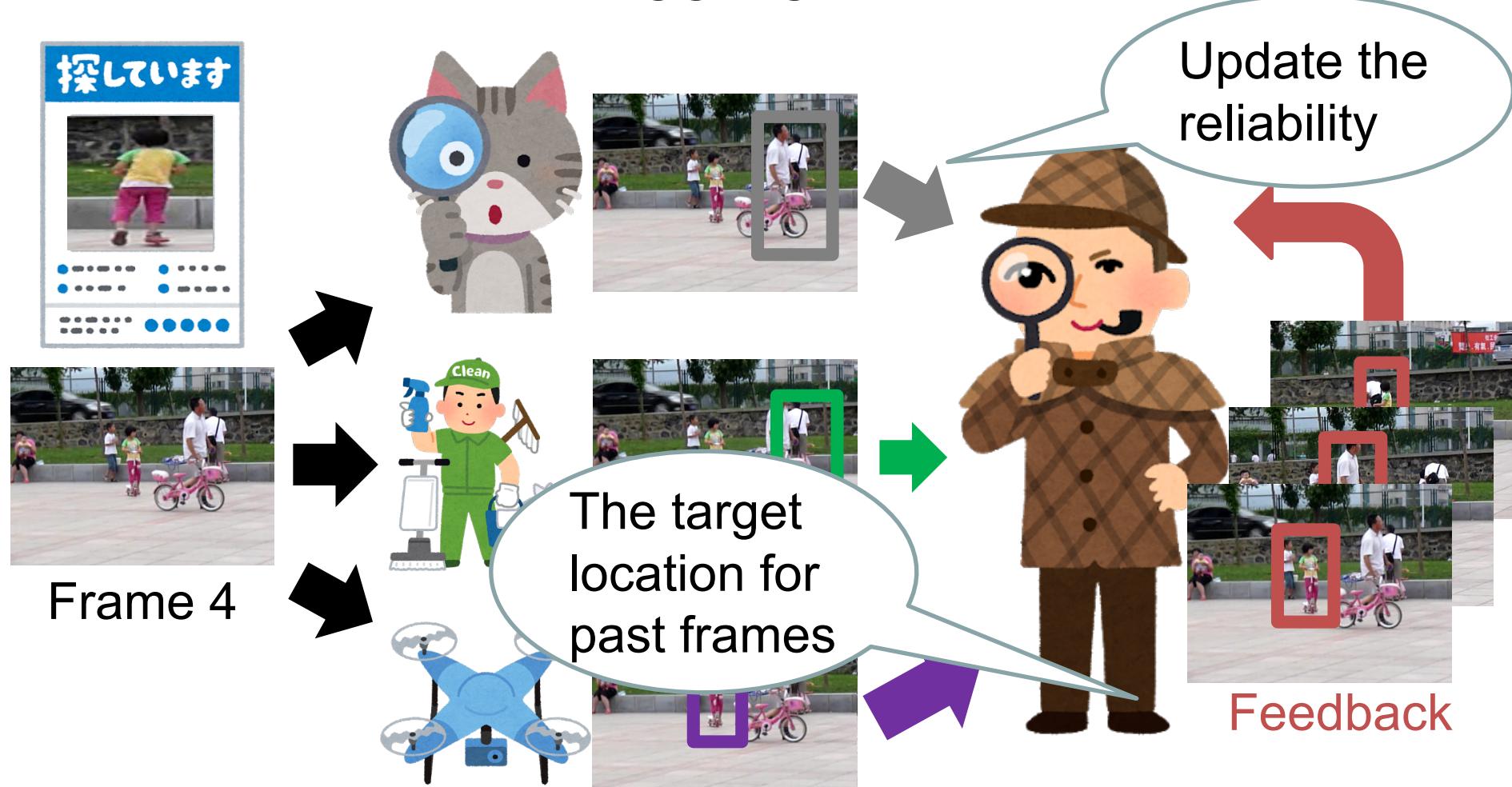
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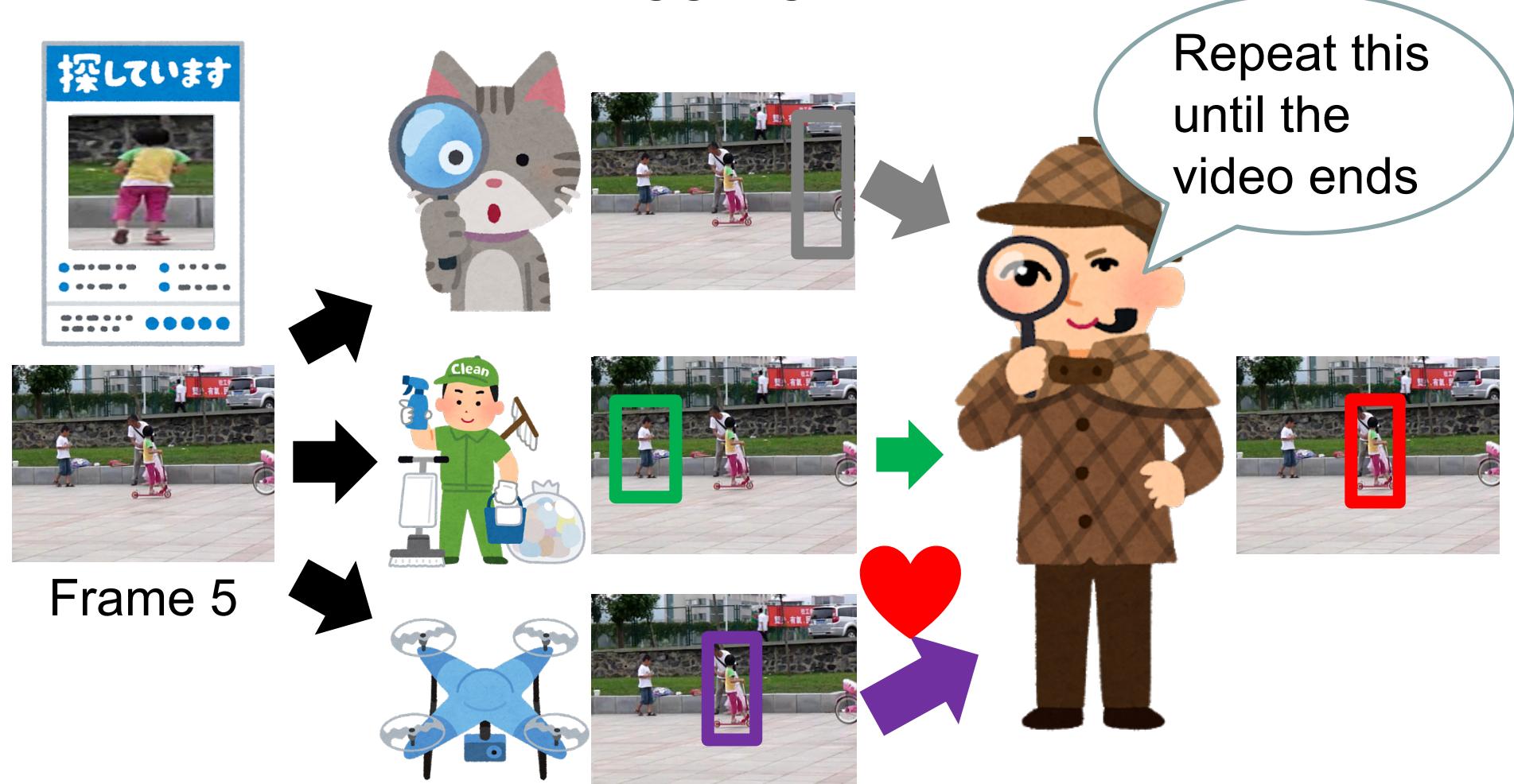
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How can we get feedback?



Where
is she?



Frame 1 → Frame 2 → Frame 3 →

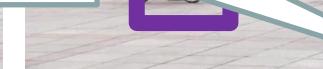
How can we get feedback?



Here
she is!

Anchor frame =

When the target location can be predicted with high confidence



Frame 1 → Frame 2 → Frame 3 → Frame 4

How can we get feedback?



Anchor
frame

Frame 1 → Frame 2 → Frame 3 → Frame 4

Give offline
tracking results
as feedback

Anchor
frame

How can we get feedback?



Good!

NG!

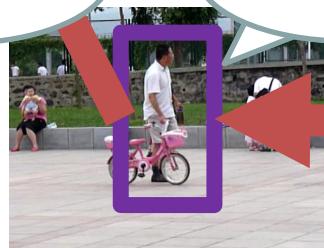
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NG!

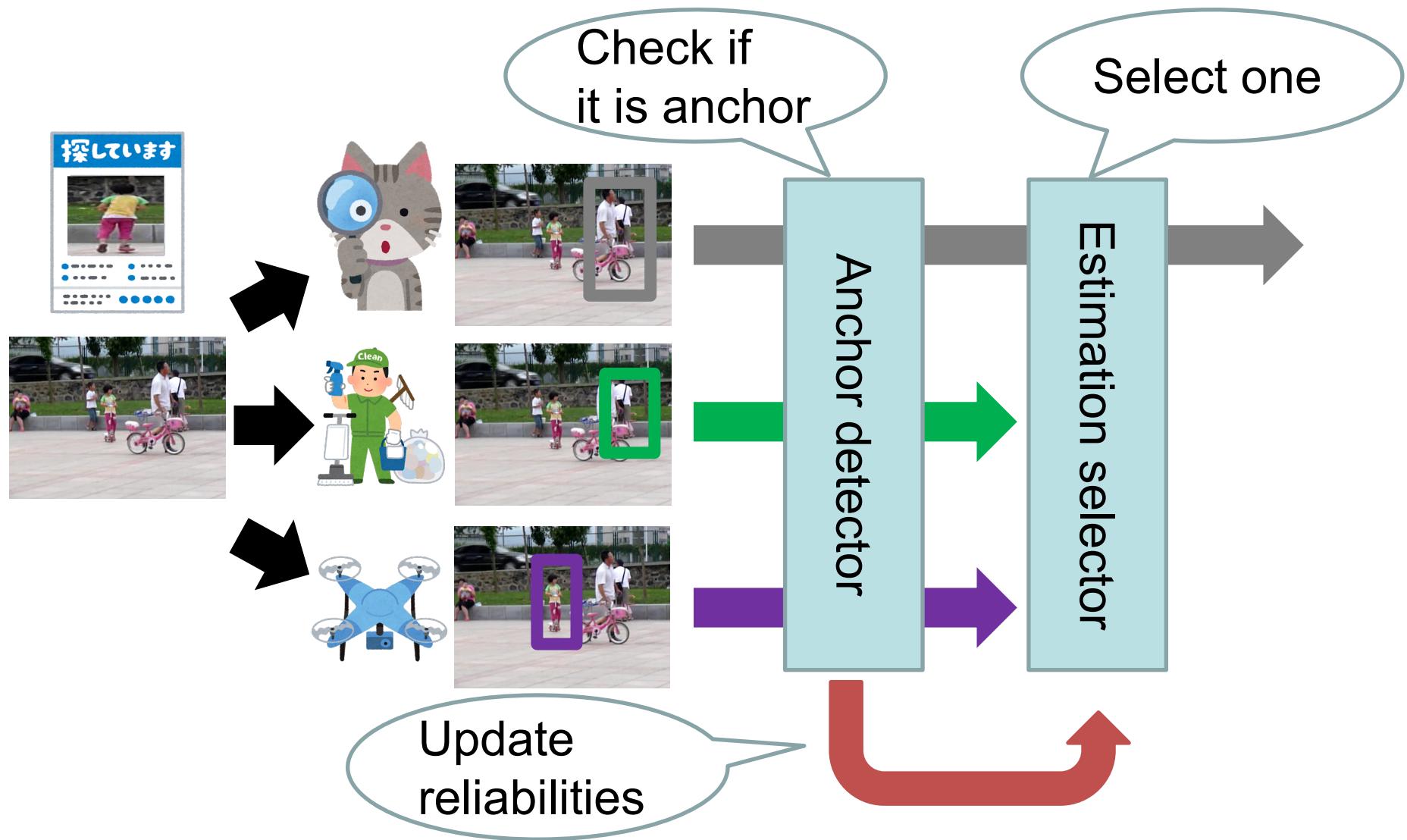
Good!

Good!



Frame 1 → Frame 2 → Frame 3 → Frame 4

Overview of the proposed method



Why should we use online prediction?



Total error L_1^T



Total error L_2^T



Total error L_3^T



Total error L_{Ours}^T

minimum

Defined only
at the end of
the video

$L_2^T (= L_{best}^T)$

Difference
=Regret
 $= L_{Ours}^T - L_{best}^T$

L_{Ours}^T

Why should we use online prediction?

- Surprisingly, the regret of the proposed method is bounded without any assumption.
- We do not need to know who will be the best expert, which data will be given, and how long the video is.

The length of the video

$$\text{Regret} = \mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{Ours}}^T - \mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{best}}^T \leq O(\sqrt{T \ln N})$$

The number of the experts

EXPERIMENTS & RESULTS

Experts and Benchmarks

- I would like to demonstrate that the proposed method is robust for arbitrary videos and experts.
- For arbitrary video, I evaluated the proposed method on six different benchmarks.
- For arbitrary experts, I prepared twelve experts and divide into 2 groups according to their performance.

Comparision with High group

- High group included six high-performance experts.
- Ours outperformed the experts on almost benchmarks.

	OTB2015 [14]		TCo128 [15]		UAC123 [16]		NFS [17]		LaSOT [18]		VOT2018 [19]
	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AO
ATOM [2]	0.67	0.87	0.6	0.81	0.62	0.82	0.58	0.69	0.51	0.51	0.52
DaSiamRPN [3]	0.65	0.88	0.53	0.75	0.57	0.78	0.55	0.67	0.43	0.42	0.43
SiamMCF [4]	0.65	0.85	0.57	0.78	0.54	0.77	0.57	0.7	0.44	0.45	0.45
SiamRPN++ [5]	0.69	0.9	0.58	0.77	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.74	0.49	0.51	0.5
SPM [6]	0.67	0.87	0.58	0.79	0.59	0.77	0.57	0.67	0.47	0.48	0.48
THOR [7]	0.64	0.85	0.52	0.72	0.57	0.77	0.57	0.68	0.4	0.41	0.47
Ours	0.7	0.91	0.62	0.84	0.62	0.83	0.61	0.75	0.53	0.55	0.52

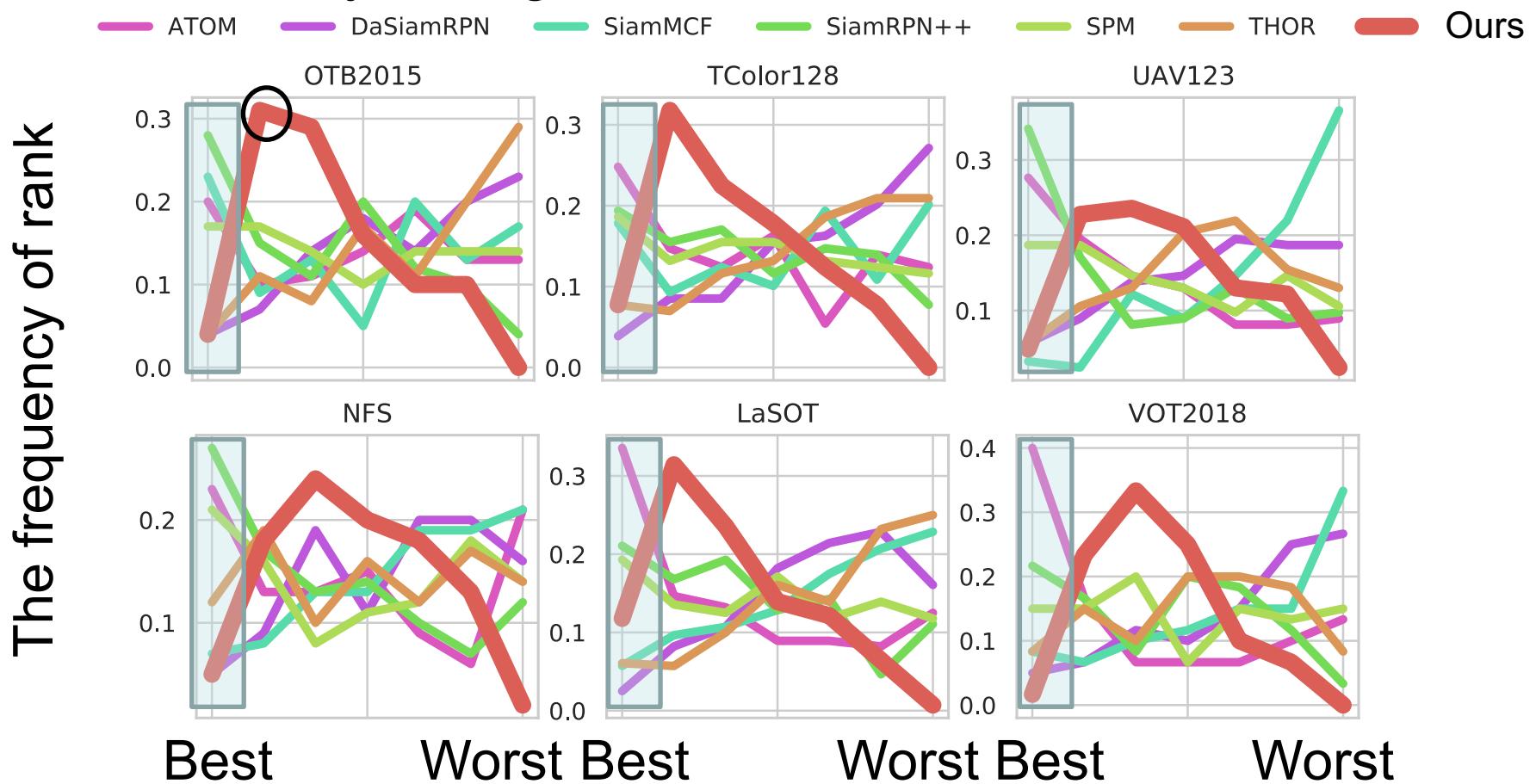
Experts

2nd

1st

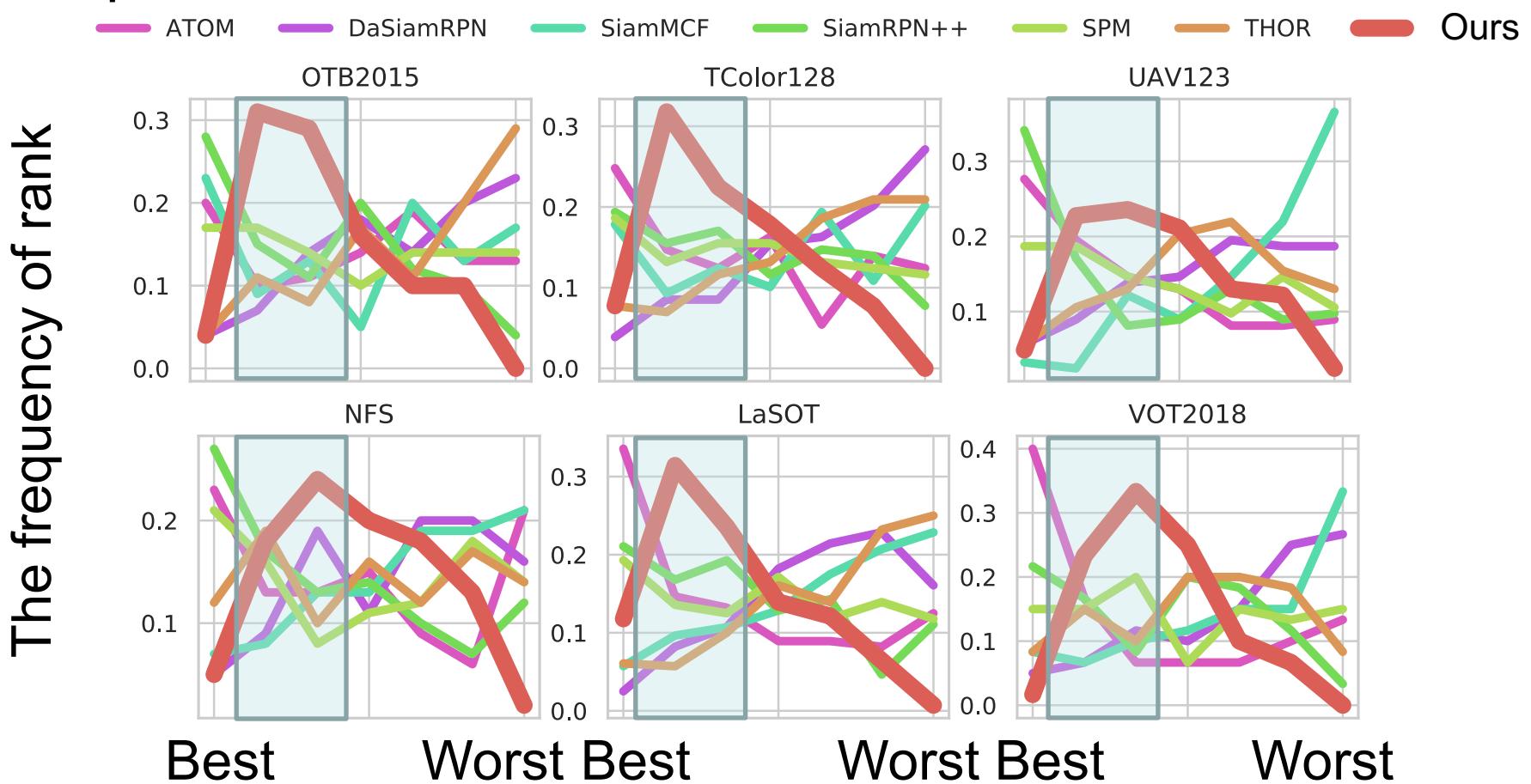
Comparision with High group

- No tracker was always the best, and the best expert drastically changed over the videos.



Comparision with High group

- Ours achieved the second or third best performance for most videos.



Tracking example

- Ours(AAA) can follow the best expert by adaptively aggregating the trackers.



Comparision with Low group

- Low group included six low-performance experts.
 - Ours achieved at least the second best performance for all benchmarks.

	OTB2015 [14]		TCo128 [15]		UAC123 [16]		NFS [17]		LaSOT [18]		VOT2018 [19]
	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AO
GradNet [8]	0.63	0.85	0.56	0.76	0.51	0.74	0.51	0.64	0.36	0.38	0.4
MemTrack [9]	0.63	0.82	0.54	0.74	0.49	0.7	0.5	0.61	0.34	0.35	0.39
SiamDW [10]	0.67	0.91	0.53	0.75	0.46	0.69	0.5	0.63	0.35	0.34	0.37
SiamFC [11]	0.59	0.78	0.52	0.7	0.51	0.74	0.51	0.6	0.35	0.36	0.33
SiamRPN [12]	0.63	0.83	0.52	0.71	0.58	0.77	0.56	0.66	0.45	0.45	0.48
Staple [13]	0.6	0.79	0.51	0.68	0.45	0.64	0.41	0.48	0.24	0.23	0.3
Ours	0.66	0.87	0.59	0.82	0.56	0.78	0.58	0.69	0.45	0.46	0.45

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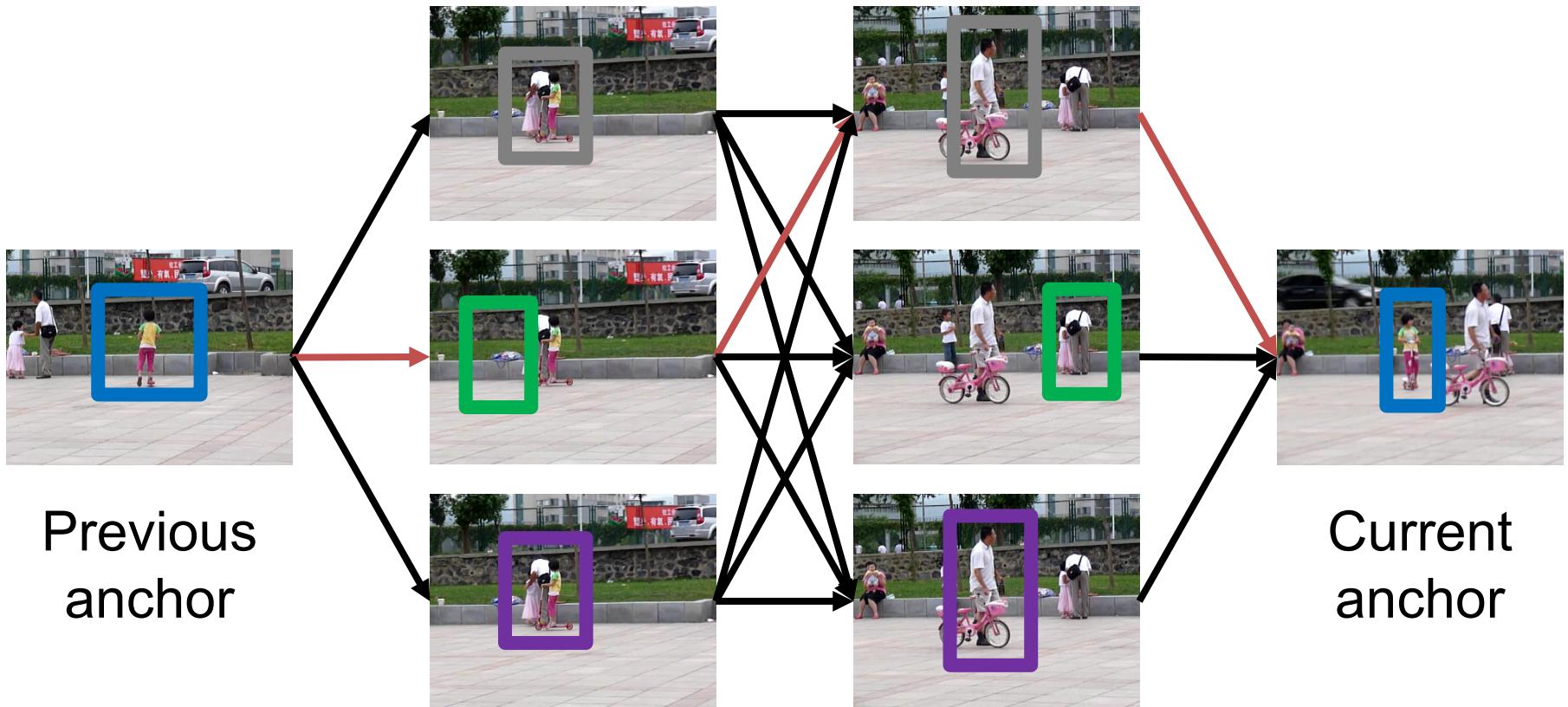
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APPENDIX

How to track the target offline

- Create a graph with each tracker's estimation as a node as below and find minimum-cost flow^[20].



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How to detect anchor frame

- Extract a target feature vector from the target image which is cropped at the first frame by ResNet^[21].
- In the same way, feature vectors are extracted from bounding boxes predicted by trackers every frame.
- If the cosine similarity between the target feature vector and each extracted feature vector by trackers is greater than a threshold, the frame is considered to be an anchor frame.

How to calculate the loss of experts

The offline tracker gives the bounding box of the target object y^{u+1}, \dots, y^t between the previous anchor frame $u + 1$ to current anchor frame t . Using the offline tracking results, the loss of tracker i is calculated using the following equation^[22]:

$$L_i = \sum_{\tau=u+1}^t 1 - \text{GIoU}(f_i^\tau, y^\tau),$$

where f_i^τ is the i -th tracker's estimation of the target location at frame τ .

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How to update the reliability

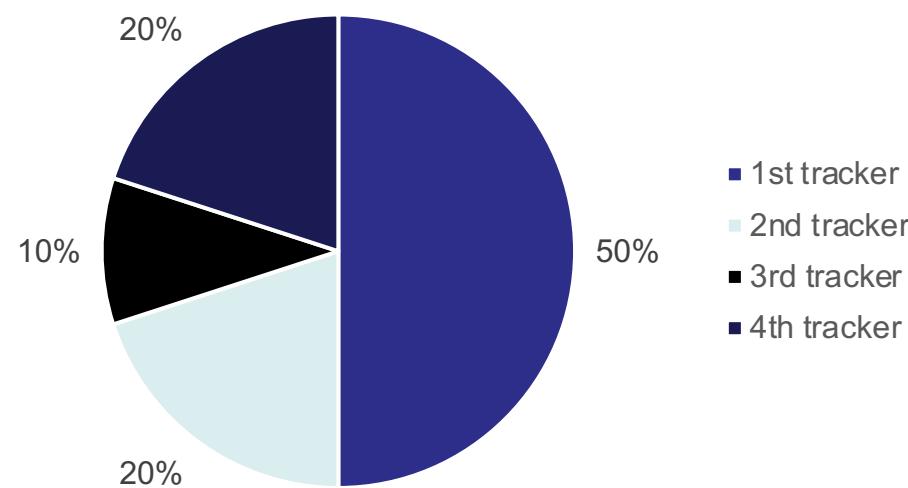
Based on the loss, the reliability of tracker i is updated according to following equation:

$$w_i^{t+1} = \frac{w_i^t \exp(-\eta L_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^N w_j^t \exp(-\eta L_j)},$$

where η is a learning rate and N is the number of aggregated trackers.

How to select one estimation

- For selecting one of experts' estimation, we use roulette wheel selection, known as fitness proportionate selection, according to their weight.
- Each tracker's weight represents the probability that the tracker's estimation will be selected.



Comparision with High group

- I compared the proposed method with other aggregation-based trackers.
- In other trackers, performance was lower than most experts.

Tracker	OTB2015		TColor128		UAV123		NFS		LaSOT		VOT2018
	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AO
ATOM	0.67	0.87	0.60	0.81	0.62	0.82	0.58	0.69	0.51	0.51	0.52
DaSiamRPN	0.65	0.88	0.53	0.75	0.57	0.78	0.55	0.67	0.43	0.42	0.43
SiamMCF	0.65	0.85	0.57	0.78	0.54	0.77	0.57	0.70	0.44	0.45	0.45
SiamRPN++	0.69	0.90	0.58	0.77	0.60	0.80	0.60	0.74	0.49	0.51	0.50
SPM	0.67	0.87	0.58	0.79	0.59	0.77	0.57	0.67	0.47	0.48	0.48
THOR	0.64	0.85	0.52	0.72	0.57	0.77	0.57	0.68	0.40	0.41	0.47
MCCT[22]	0.64	0.83	0.53	0.72	0.58	0.76	0.57	0.69	0.42	0.44	0.40
Random	0.66	0.87	0.56	0.77	0.58	0.79	0.57	0.69	0.46	0.46	0.48
Max	0.68	0.89	0.56	0.77	0.58	0.78	0.61	0.74	0.46	0.46	0.46
AAA	0.70	0.91	0.62	0.84	0.62	0.83	0.61	0.75	0.53	0.55	0.52

Comparision with Low group

- Even when we aggregate experts in Low group, no other trackers can outperform the experts.

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	AUC	DP	AO								
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SiamDW	0.67	0.91	0.53	0.75	0.46	0.69	0.50	0.63	0.35	0.34	0.37
SiamFC	0.59	0.78	0.52	0.70	0.51	0.74	0.51	0.60	0.35	0.36	0.33
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MCCT ^[22]	0.59	0.79	0.49	0.66	0.50	0.70	0.51	0.63	0.32	0.34	0.32
Random	0.62	0.83	0.53	0.72	0.50	0.71	0.50	0.60	0.35	0.35	0.38
Max	0.63	0.83	0.52	0.71	0.51	0.73	0.53	0.64	0.35	0.35	0.38
AAA	0.66	0.87	0.59	0.82	0.56	0.78	0.58	0.69	0.45	0.46	0.45

Comparision with Mix group

- Mix group included three high-performance experts and three low-performance experts.

Tracker	OTB2015		TColor128		UAV123		NFS		LaSOT		VOT2018
	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AO
ATOM	0.67	0.87	0.60	0.81	0.62	0.82	0.58	0.69	0.51	0.51	0.52
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Max	0.65	0.84	0.56	0.76	0.55	0.76	0.57	0.68	0.40	0.42	0.43
AAA	0.68	0.89	0.62	0.83	0.60	0.81	0.59	0.71	0.51	0.53	0.49

Offline tracking results with Mix group

- In some cases, the performance of an offline tracker was worse than that of an expert.

Tracker	OTB2015		TColor128		UAV123		NFS		LaSOT		VOT2018
	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AUC	DP	AO
ATOM	0.69	0.89	0.61	0.81	0.66	0.87	0.61	0.73	0.55	0.55	0.54
SiamRPN++	0.70	0.92	0.58	0.78	0.64	0.84	0.64	0.78	0.52	0.54	0.52
SPM	0.67	0.88	0.58	0.80	0.63	0.82	0.60	0.70	0.51	0.52	0.51
MemTrack	0.64	0.84	0.55	0.75	0.54	0.75	0.54	0.66	0.38	0.40	0.42
SiamFC	0.60	0.79	0.53	0.72	0.55	0.78	0.56	0.66	0.39	0.40	0.37
Staple	0.62	0.81	0.52	0.69	0.50	0.70	0.47	0.56	0.28	0.28	0.35
AAA	0.69	0.90	0.63	0.84	0.65	0.87	0.64	0.77	0.55	0.58	0.51

Average regret with Mix group

- However, the regret of the proposed method was still smaller than that of any expert, and it can be seen that the regret was minimized.

Tracker	OTB2015	TColor128	UAV123	NFS	LaSOT	VOT2018
ATOM	32.36	<i>24.73</i>	<i>65.72</i>	479.28	281.13	<i>41.65</i>
SiamRPN++	<i>27.21</i>	42.01	84.93	<i>279.48</i>	<i>220.56</i>	42.34
SPM	30.20	31.36	72.44	440.12	266.94	47.40
MemTrack	45.66	47.10	123.54	488.33	414.40	53.20
SiamFC	63.63	58.49	109.16	463.40	440.14	76.74
Staple	66.24	64.67	147.94	855.97	753.89	94.19
AAA	-31.25	-23.75	-31.27	-229.27	-98.45	-16.80

Comparision with SiamDW^[10]

- we implemented experts using several parameter sets (e.g., backbone networks, the weight of the network, and hyper-parameters) in SiamDW^[10]

Tracker	OTB2015		TColor128		UAV123		NFS		LaSOT		VOT2018
	AUC	DP	AO								
SiamDW_SiamFCRes22	0.64	0.84	0.58	0.79	0.51	0.73	0.52	0.64	0.38	0.39	0.38
SiamDW_SiamFCIncep22	0.61	0.81	0.55	0.76	0.50	0.72	0.51	0.64	0.36	0.38	0.35
SiamDW_SiamFCNext22	0.62	0.82	0.57	0.76	0.49	0.71	0.51	0.63	0.37	0.38	0.32
SiamDW_SiamRPNRes22	0.67	0.91	0.53	0.75	0.46	0.69	0.50	0.63	0.35	0.34	0.37
SiamDW_SiamFCRes22_VOT	0.63	0.84	0.56	0.77	0.51	0.73	0.52	0.65	0.36	0.37	0.37
SiamDW_SiamFCIncep22_VOT	0.60	0.80	0.54	0.75	0.50	0.73	0.49	0.61	0.35	0.36	0.35
SiamDW_SiamFCNext22_VOT	0.61	0.81	0.54	0.74	0.49	0.72	0.51	0.63	0.35	0.38	0.34
SiamDW_SiamRPNRes22_VOT	0.66	0.90	0.53	0.74	0.46	0.69	0.51	0.66	0.35	0.35	0.43
MCCT ^[22]	0.63	0.83	0.54	0.74	0.50	0.71	0.51	0.65	0.34	0.36	0.34
Random	0.63	0.84	0.55	0.76	0.49	0.71	0.51	0.64	0.36	0.37	0.37
Max	0.64	0.86	0.55	0.76	0.51	0.74	0.53	0.66	0.36	0.36	0.37
AAA	0.66	0.88	0.60	0.82	0.52	0.75	0.55	0.68	0.42	0.43	0.42

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Comparision with SiamRPN++^[5]

- we implemented experts using several parameter sets (e.g., backbone networks, the weight of the network, and hyper-parameters) in SiamRPN++^[5]

Tracker	OTB2015		TColor128		UAV123		NFS		LaSOT		VOT2018
	AUC	DP	AO								
SiamRPN++_AlexNet	0.66	0.87	0.57	0.77	0.58	0.77	0.54	0.65	0.45	0.45	0.47
SiamRPN++_AlexNet_OTB	0.66	0.86	0.55	0.75	0.58	0.78	0.54	0.66	0.43	0.43	0.45
SiamRPN++_ResNet-50	0.65	0.86	0.56	0.75	0.61	0.80	0.58	0.71	0.50	0.51	0.51
SiamRPN++_ResNet-50_OTB	0.69	0.90	0.58	0.77	0.60	0.80	0.60	0.74	0.49	0.51	0.50
SiamRPN++_ResNet-50_LT	0.63	0.84	0.58	0.79	0.61	0.81	0.56	0.68	0.52	0.54	0.51
SiamRPN++_MobileNetV2	0.65	0.86	0.56	0.76	0.60	0.79	0.57	0.70	0.45	0.46	0.50
SiamRPN++_SiamMask	0.65	0.85	0.54	0.73	0.60	0.80	0.58	0.72	0.47	0.48	0.48
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MCCT [22]	0.64	0.84	0.55	0.75	0.61	0.81	0.59	0.72	0.48	0.50	0.45
Random	0.66	0.86	0.56	0.76	0.60	0.79	0.57	0.69	0.47	0.48	0.49
Max	0.66	0.87	0.56	0.76	0.60	0.80	0.60	0.73	0.47	0.48	0.50
AAA	0.68	0.89	0.61	0.83	0.64	0.85	0.61	0.74	0.54	0.56	0.52

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Accuracy in anchor frames

- We also evaluate whether the proposed method can actually detect the target location with high confidence in anchor frames

Tracker	OTB2015		TColor128		UAV123		NFS		LaSOT		VOT2018
	AUC	DP	AO								
ATOM	0.72	0.93	0.66	0.88	0.71	0.91	0.66	0.80	0.66	0.70	0.61
DaSiamRPN	0.70	0.92	0.61	0.84	0.68	0.88	0.64	0.79	0.59	0.62	0.57
SiamMCF	0.71	0.91	0.66	0.88	0.66	0.88	0.67	0.83	0.60	0.64	0.57
SiamRPN++	0.73	0.94	0.64	0.85	0.70	0.89	0.68	0.84	0.64	0.69	0.60
SPM	0.72	0.92	0.65	0.89	0.69	0.87	0.65	0.78	0.63	0.67	0.60
THOR	0.68	0.90	0.59	0.79	0.67	0.87	0.64	0.79	0.55	0.58	0.59
AAA	0.74	0.94	0.70	0.92	0.72	0.93	0.70	0.87	0.70	0.76	0.64