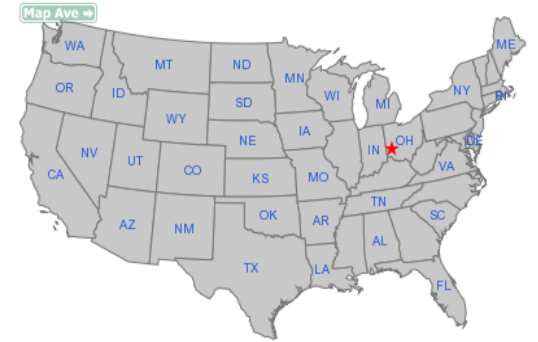


# Object Detection and Recognition in Complex Environmental Conditions



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# Overview

Sensor Data Acquisition

Sensor Data Exploitation

Decision and Feedback



Canon Cameras



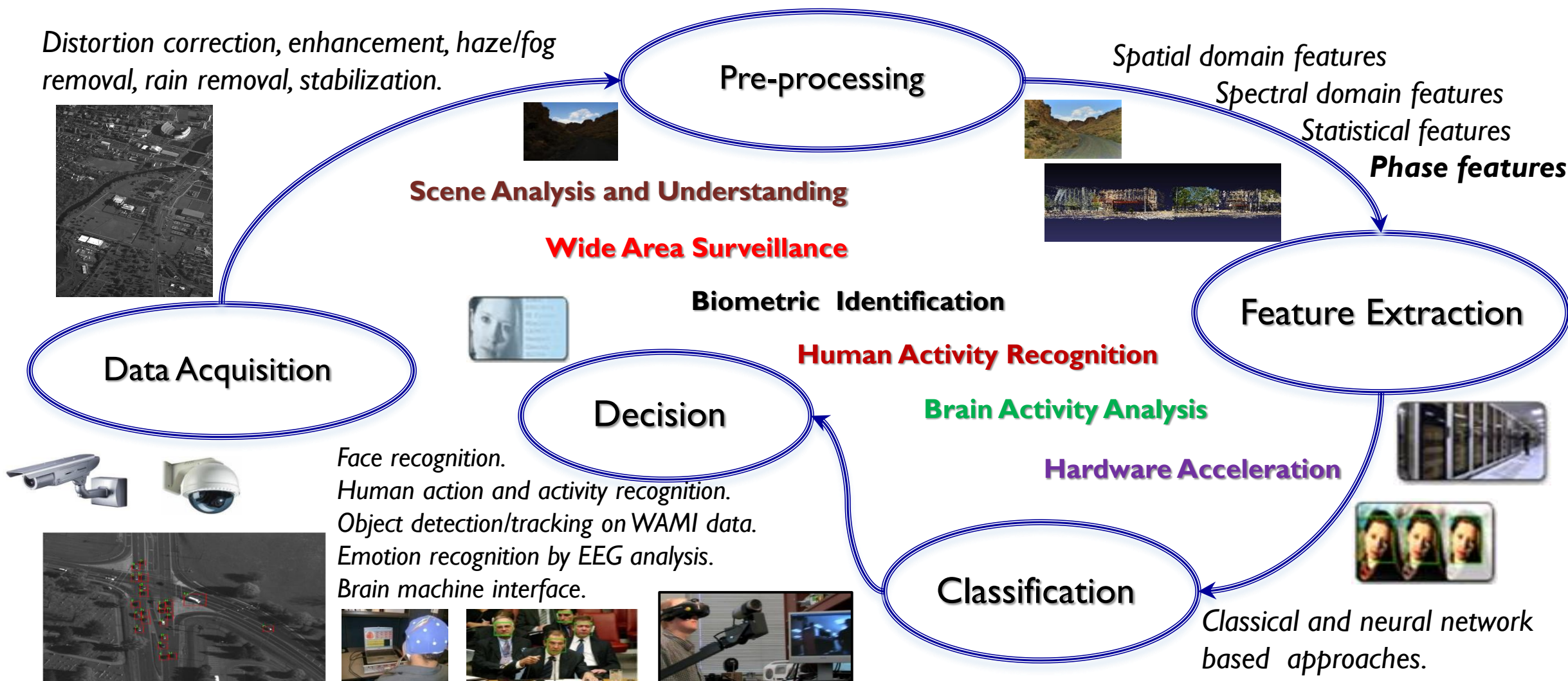
Hyperspectral Camera



Long-range Cameras



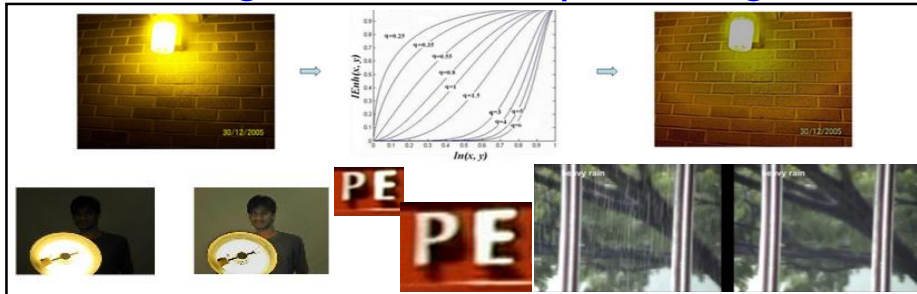
# Object Detection and Recognition: Processing Pipeline





# Focus Areas

## Image and Video Preprocessing



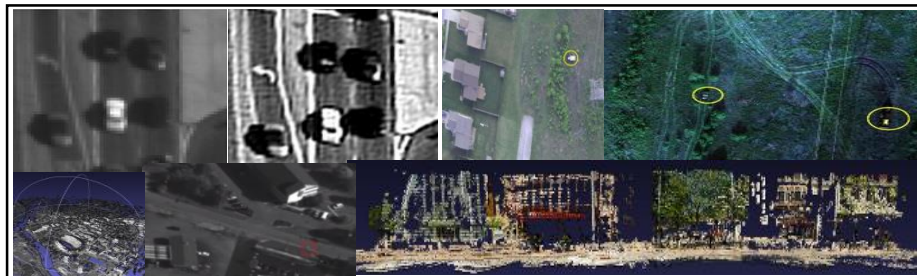
Enhancement  
Super-resolution  
Haze removal  
Rain removal  
Stabilization

## Vision-Guided Robotics



Robotic navigation  
Path planning  
Object following  
Behavior analysis  
Threat analysis

## Wide Area Surveillance



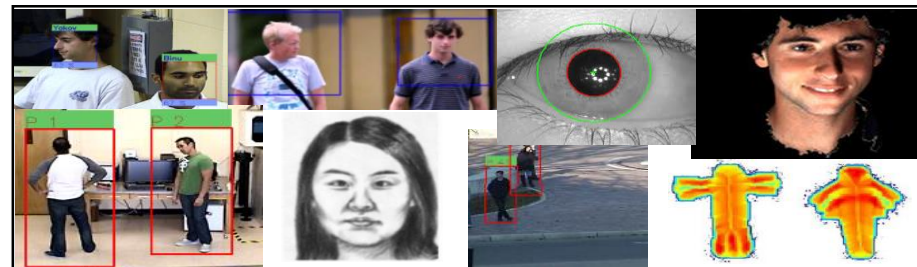
Object detection  
Object recognition  
Object tracking  
3D reconstruction  
Change detection

## Perception Beyond Visible Spectrum



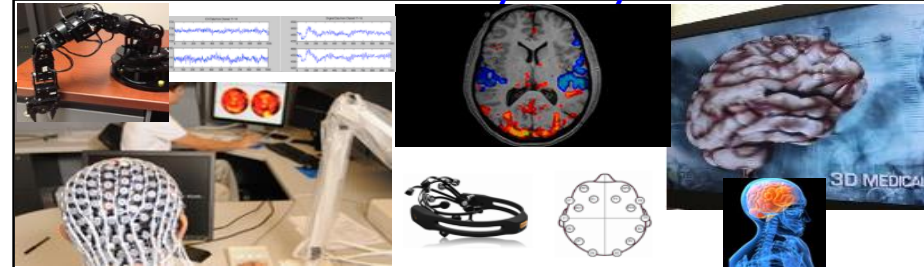
LiDAR data analysis  
Hyperspectral data  
IR/thermal data  
Satellite imagery  
EEG data analysis

## Biometrics



Face recognition  
Human action and activity recognition  
Expression analysis  
Emotion recognition

## Brain Activity Analysis

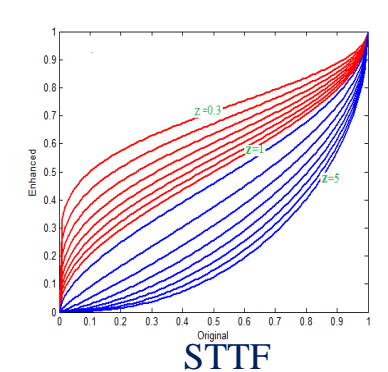
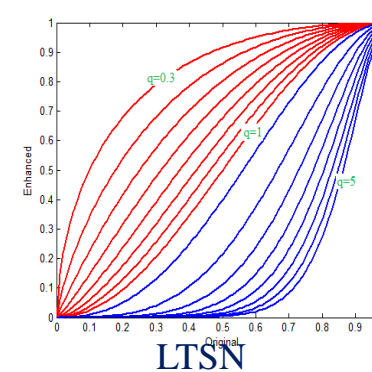
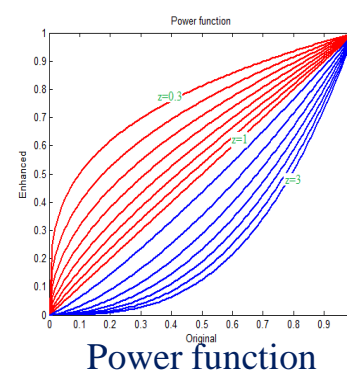
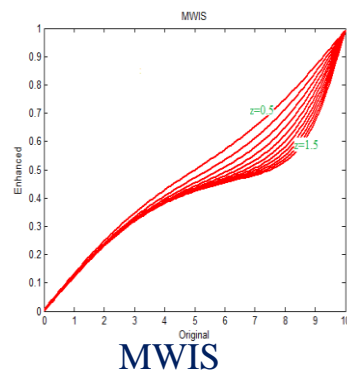
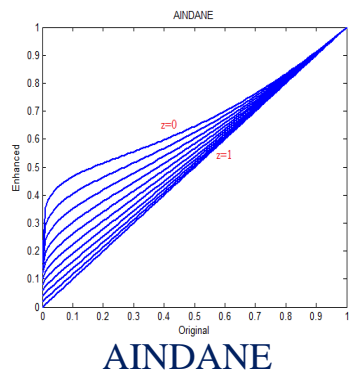
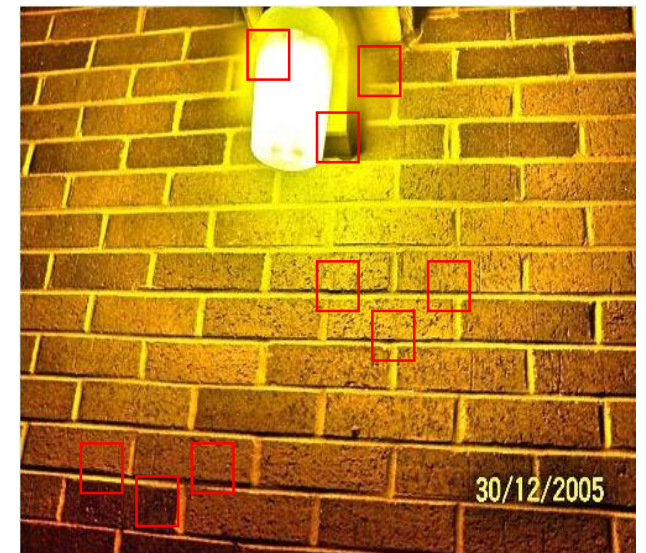
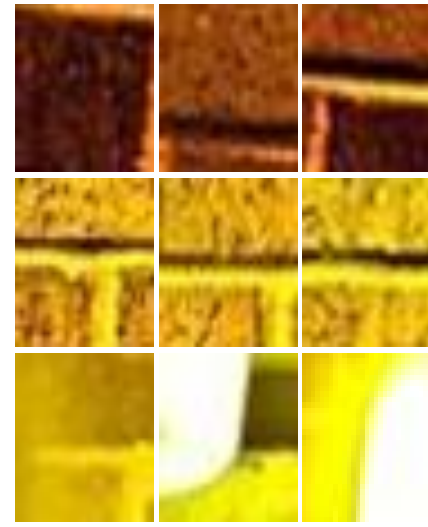
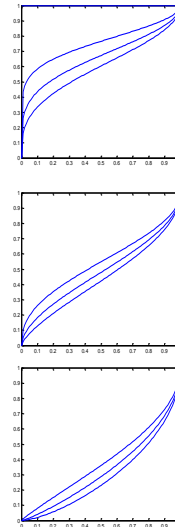
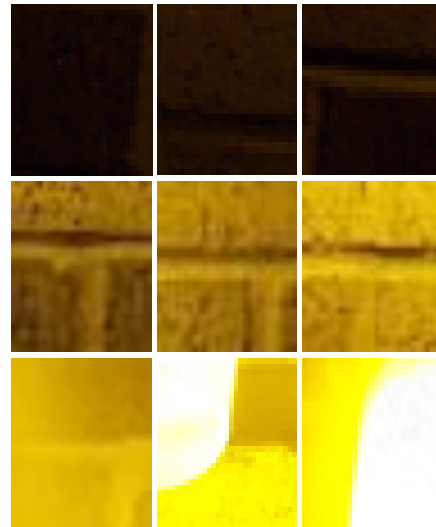
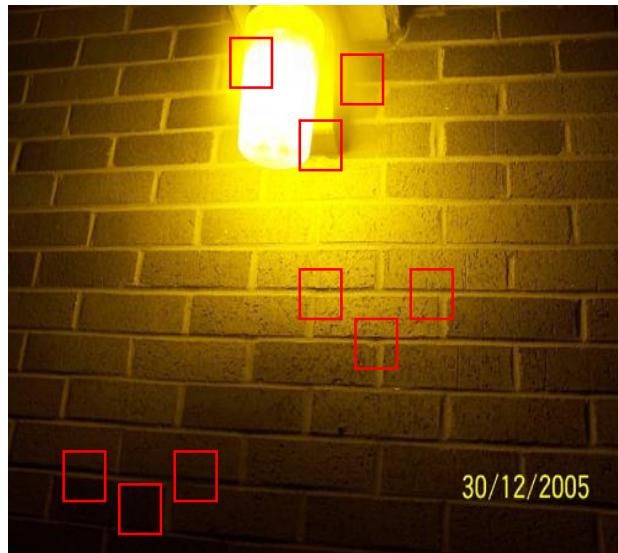


Emotion recognition  
Brain machine interface  
Source localization  
Neurofeedback



# Enhancement of Low Lighting and Over Exposed Images

Underexposed, dark, dark and bright (shadows), bright, overexposed regions



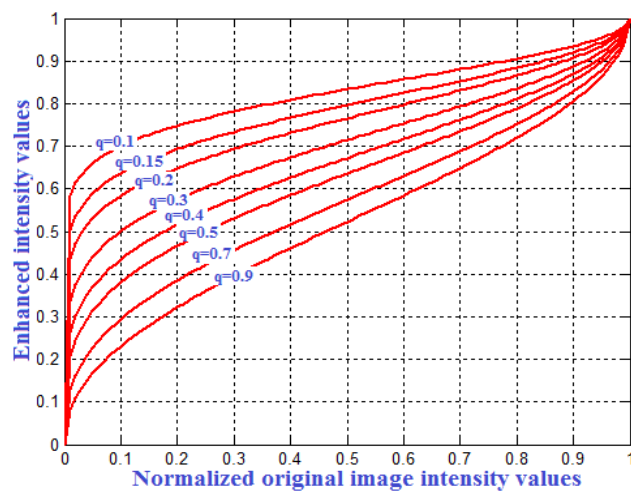
# Dynamic Range Compression

Intensity computation (NTSC)

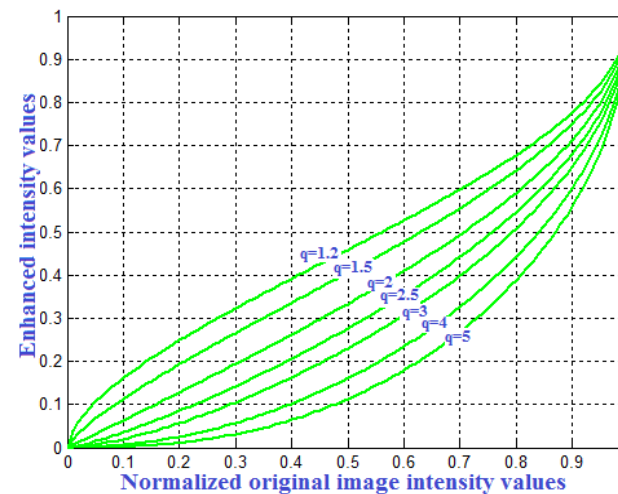
$$I(x, y) = 0.2989 \times I_{Rh}(x, y) + 0.5867 \times I_{Gh}(x, y) + 0.114 \times I_{Bh}(x, y)$$

Nonlinear function

$$I_{enh}(x, y) = (2 / \pi) \text{ArcSin}(I_n(x, y)^{q/2})$$



Dark pixels



Bright pixels

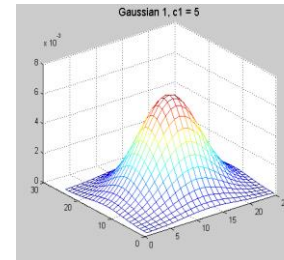


# Adaptive Estimation of Control Parameter

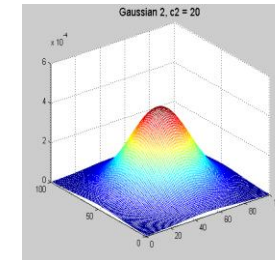
$q < 1$  Provide various nonlinear curves if the pixels are dark.

$q = 1$  Provides a curve if the pixel has sufficient intensity.

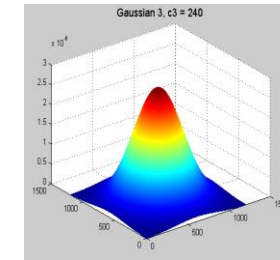
$q > 1$  Provide various nonlinear curves if the pixels are bright.



$w_1 = 5$



$w_2 = 20$

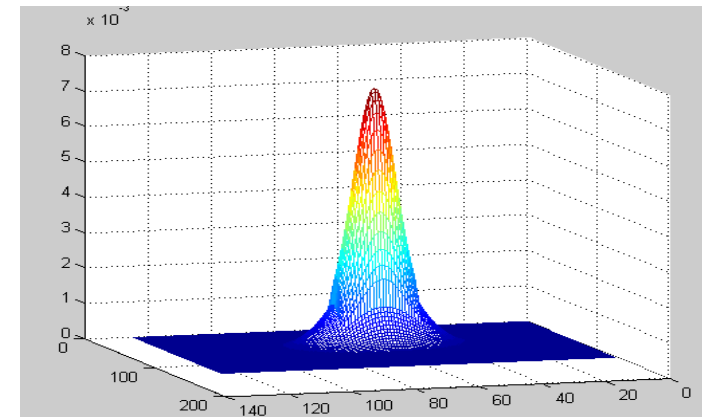


$w_3 = 240$

Depending on the mean value of its neighborhood

$$I_{M_i}(x, y) = \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} I(m, n) G_i(m + x, n + y)$$

$$G_i(x, y) = K \cdot e^{\left( \frac{-(x^2 + y^2)}{w_i^2} \right)}$$



Multi-level Gaussian function

Window size depends on the resolution and object size in an image.

# Adaptive Estimation of Control Parameter

## Criteria for estimation of $q$

$$q = \begin{cases} < 1, \text{ if } I_{M_n} < 0.5 \\ = 1, \text{ if } I_{M_n} = 0.5 \\ > 1, \text{ if } I_{M_n} > 0.5 \end{cases}$$

The function for the  $q$  value can be designed as

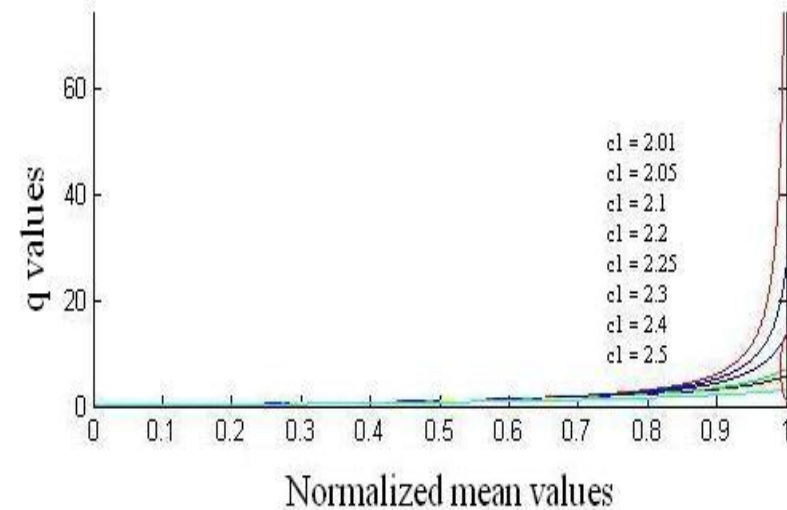
$$q = \text{Tan} \left( I_{M_n}(x, y) * (\pi / c_1) \right) + c_2$$

$c_1$  and  $c_2$  are empirically determined.  $c_1 = 2.25$   $c_2 = 0.0085$

For  $q$  values which are closer to 0 the noise in the extreme dark regions will also be enhanced.

Hence, the  $q$  values corresponding to the mean value below 0.2 is considered as extreme dark regions and  $q$  for those pixels can be calculated as

$$q = \log \left( \sqrt{2I_{M_n}(x, y) + 2} \right);$$





# Nonlinear Enhancement Module

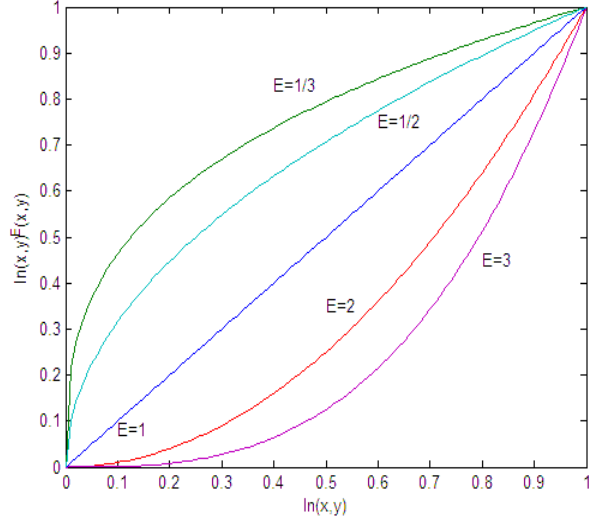
## Contrast Enhancement

$$S(x, y) = 255 x I_{enh}(x, y)^{E(x, y)} \quad E(x, y) = \left[ \frac{I_{conv}(x, y)}{I(x, y)} \right]$$

## Color restoration

$$I_{enh,i} = I_i(x, y) \left( \frac{I_{enh}(x, y)}{I_n(x, y)} \right)$$

where  $i$  represents red, green, blue spectral band





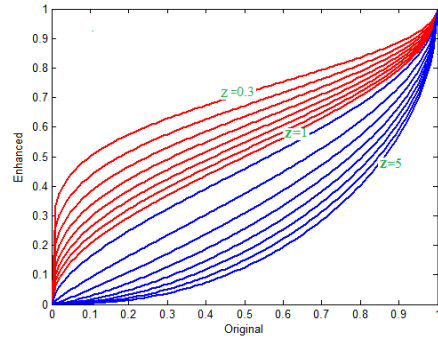
# Enhancement of Low Lighting and Over Exposed Images



Input image



Enhanced image





# Enhancement of Hazy/Foggy Images

Weather Degraded Image: Poor contrast, distorted color



Hazy image



Weather degraded image



Hazy image

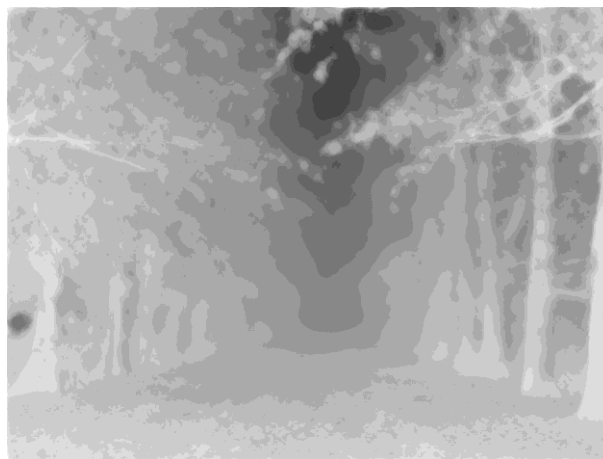
Estimation of approximate thickness of haze in the scene and enhancement using a single nonlinear function.

An adaptive estimation of control parameter from its neighborhood information.

# Enhancement of Hazy/Foggy Images



Original



Transmission map



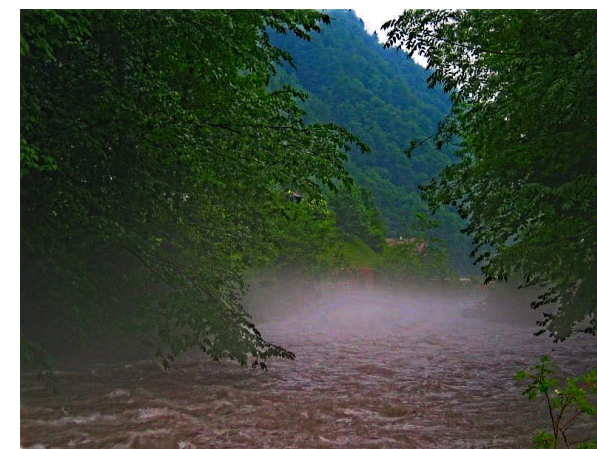
Haze-free



Original



Transmission map



Haze-free



# Enhancement of Hazy/Foggy Images





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Original Images

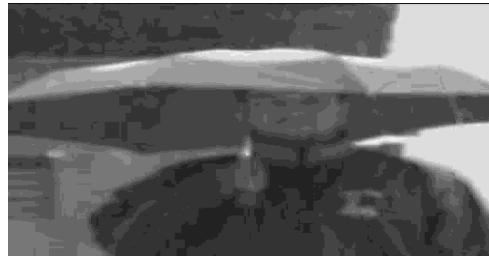
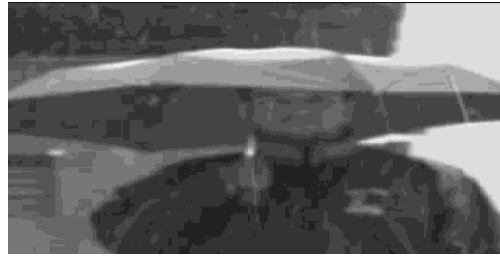
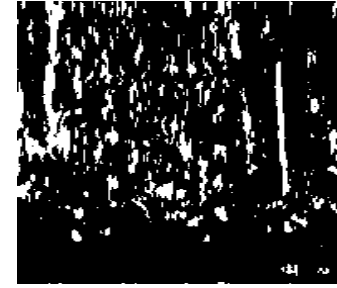


Enhanced Images





# Scene Visibility Improvement: Rain Removal





# Biometric Data Analysis for Human Identification

Face Detection



Action Recognition



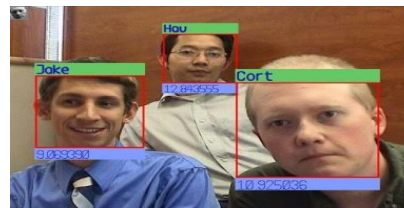
Iris Recognition



Face Recognition System



Face Detection System



Face Database



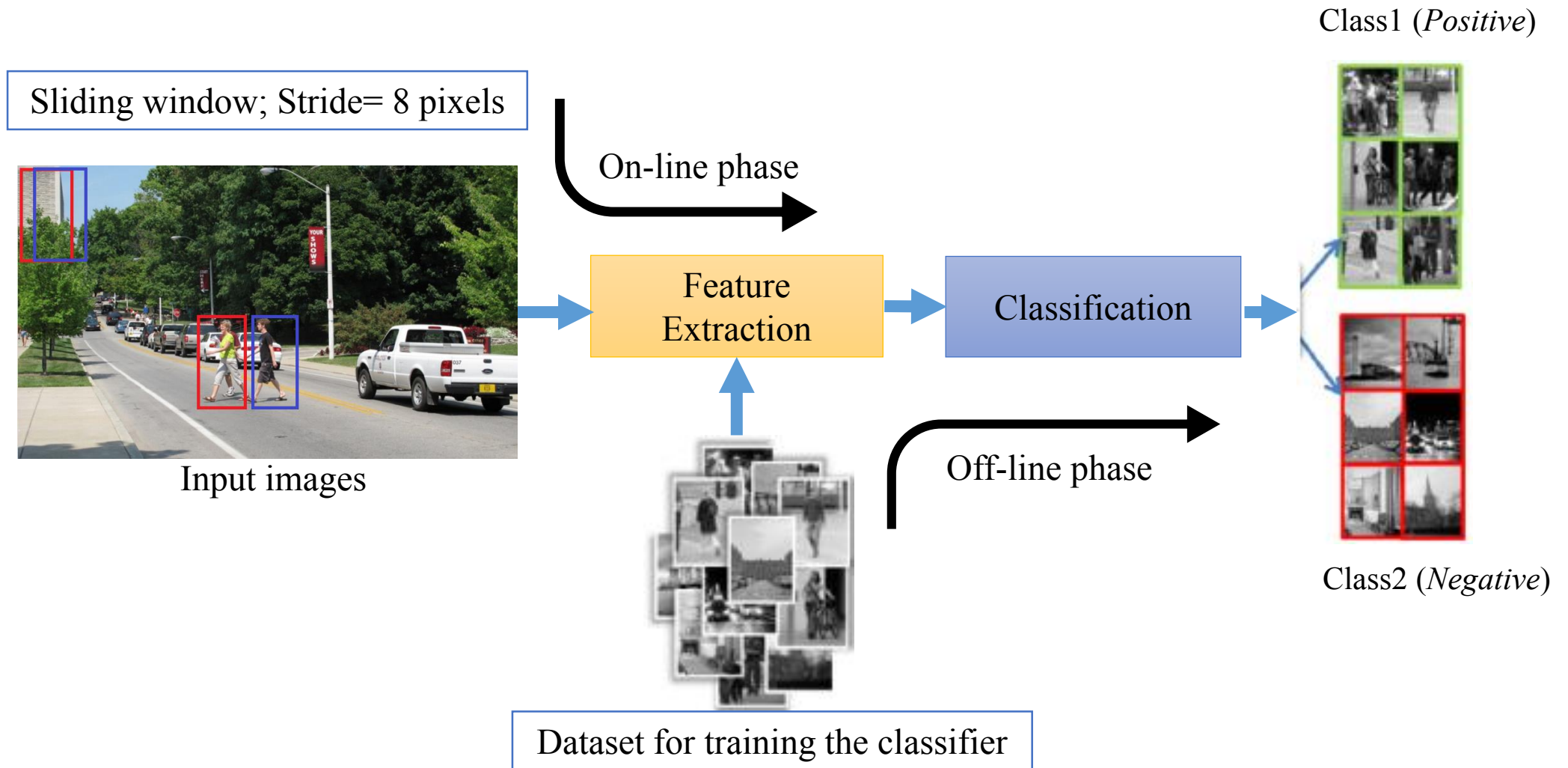
Face Recognition System

Expression Recognition



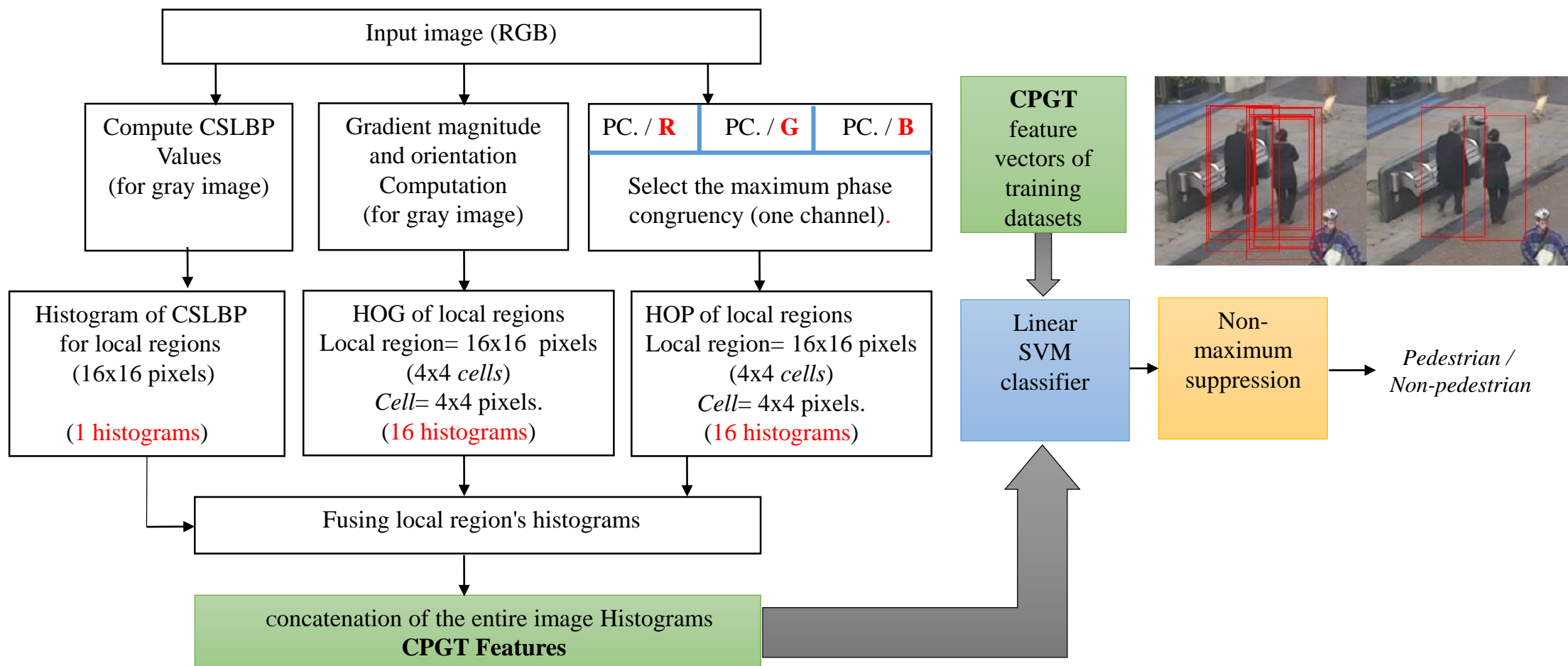


# Human Detection



# Framework of the Human Detection System

## Chromatic domain phase features with gradient and texture (CPGT)



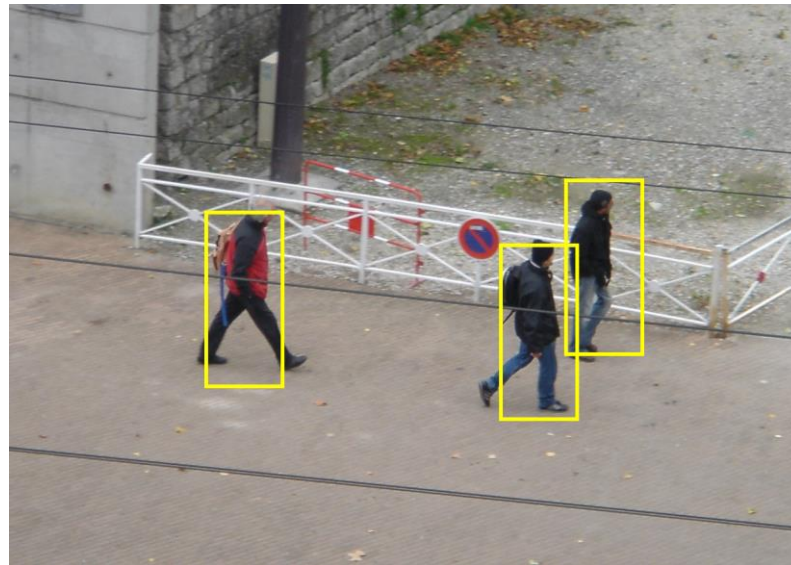
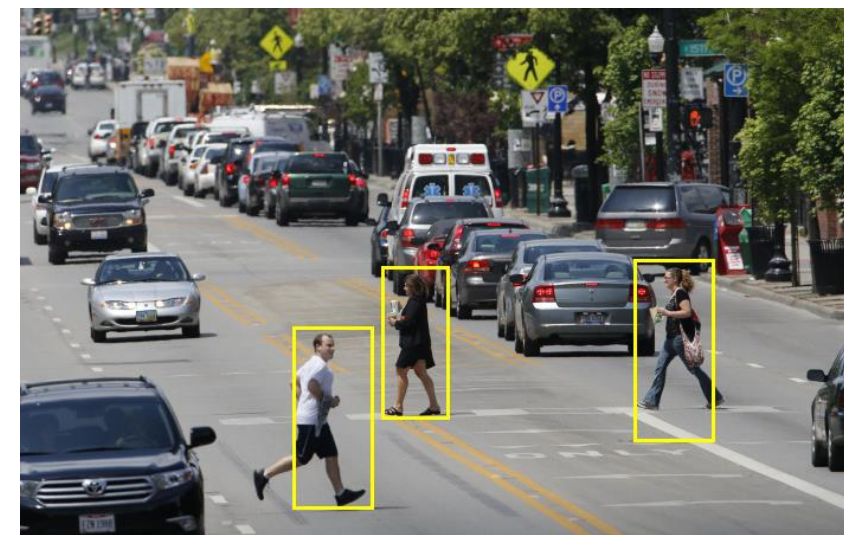
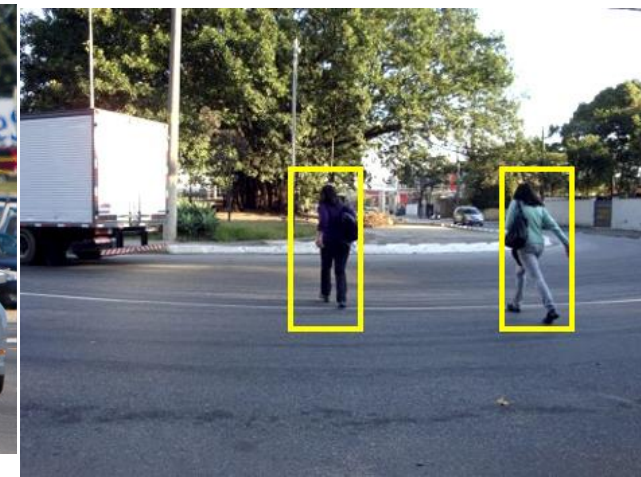
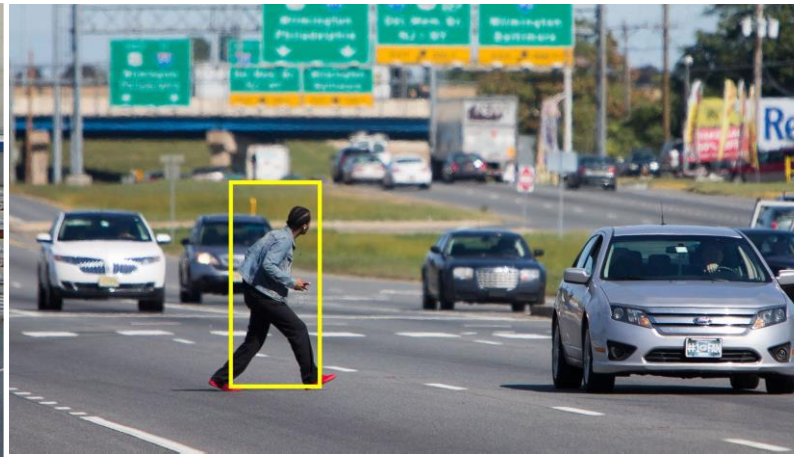
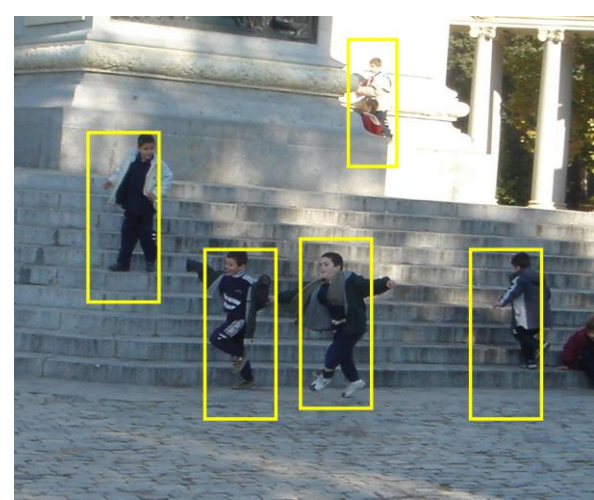
\* HOP= Histogram of Oriented Phase

\* HOG= Histogram of Oriented Gradient

\* CSLBP= Central Symmetric Local Binary Pattern.

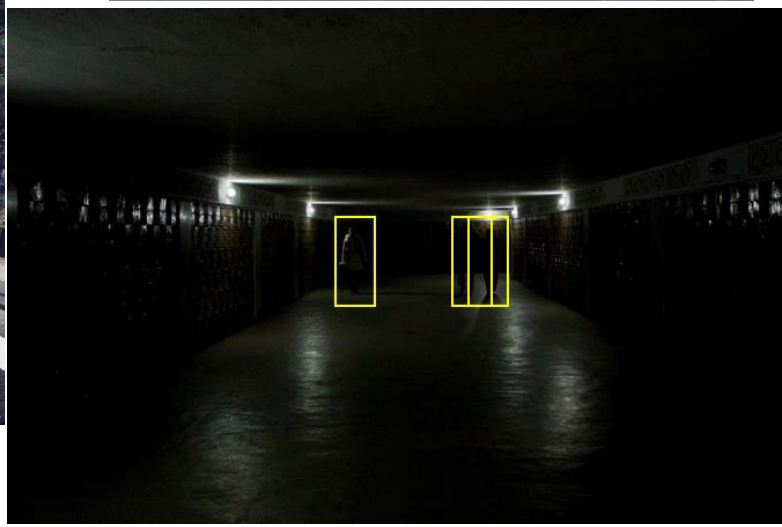
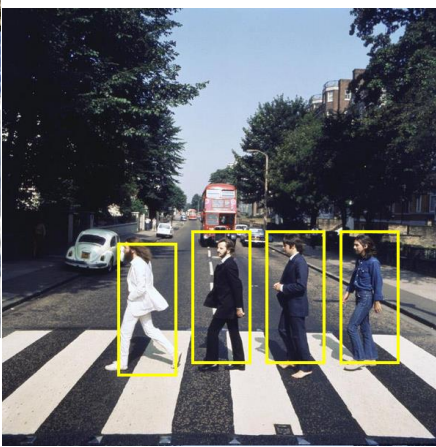
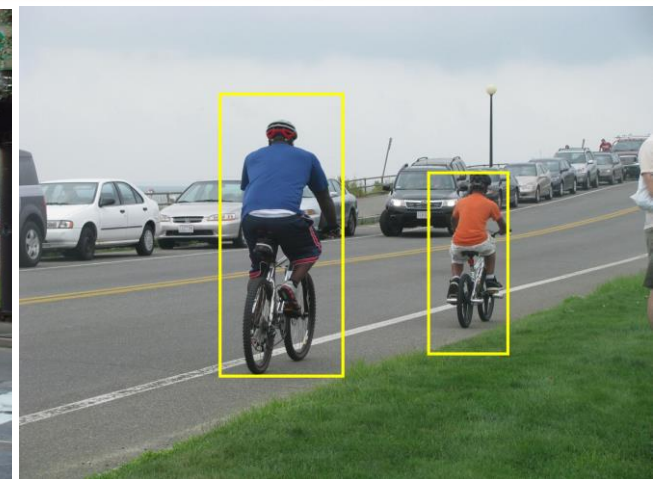
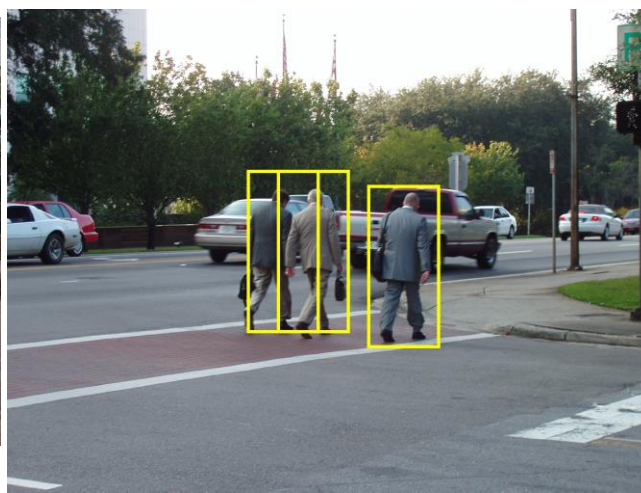
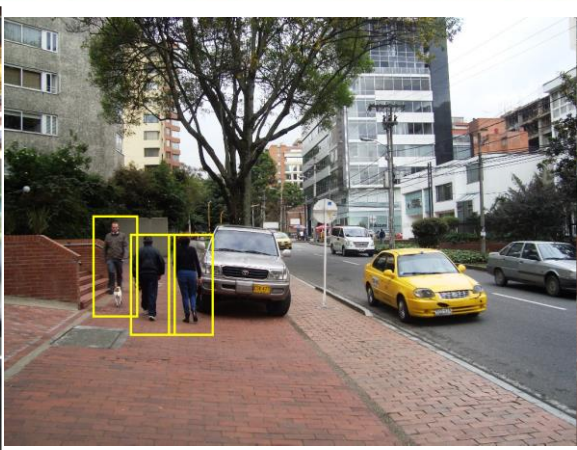
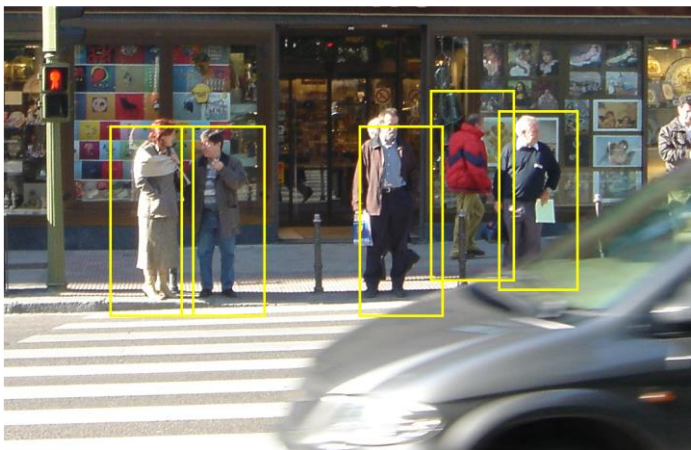


# CPGT Detector Results





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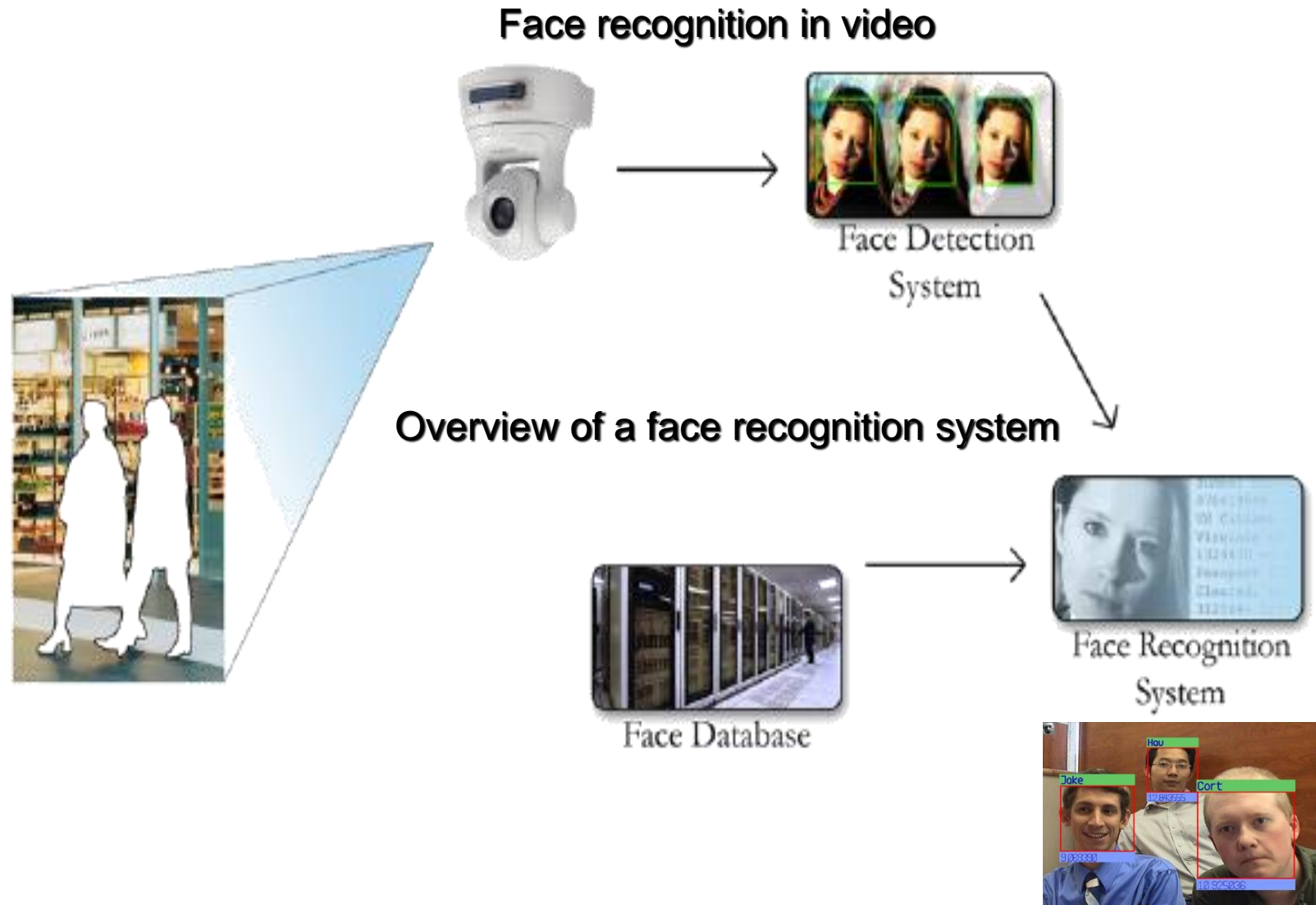


# Face Recognition System

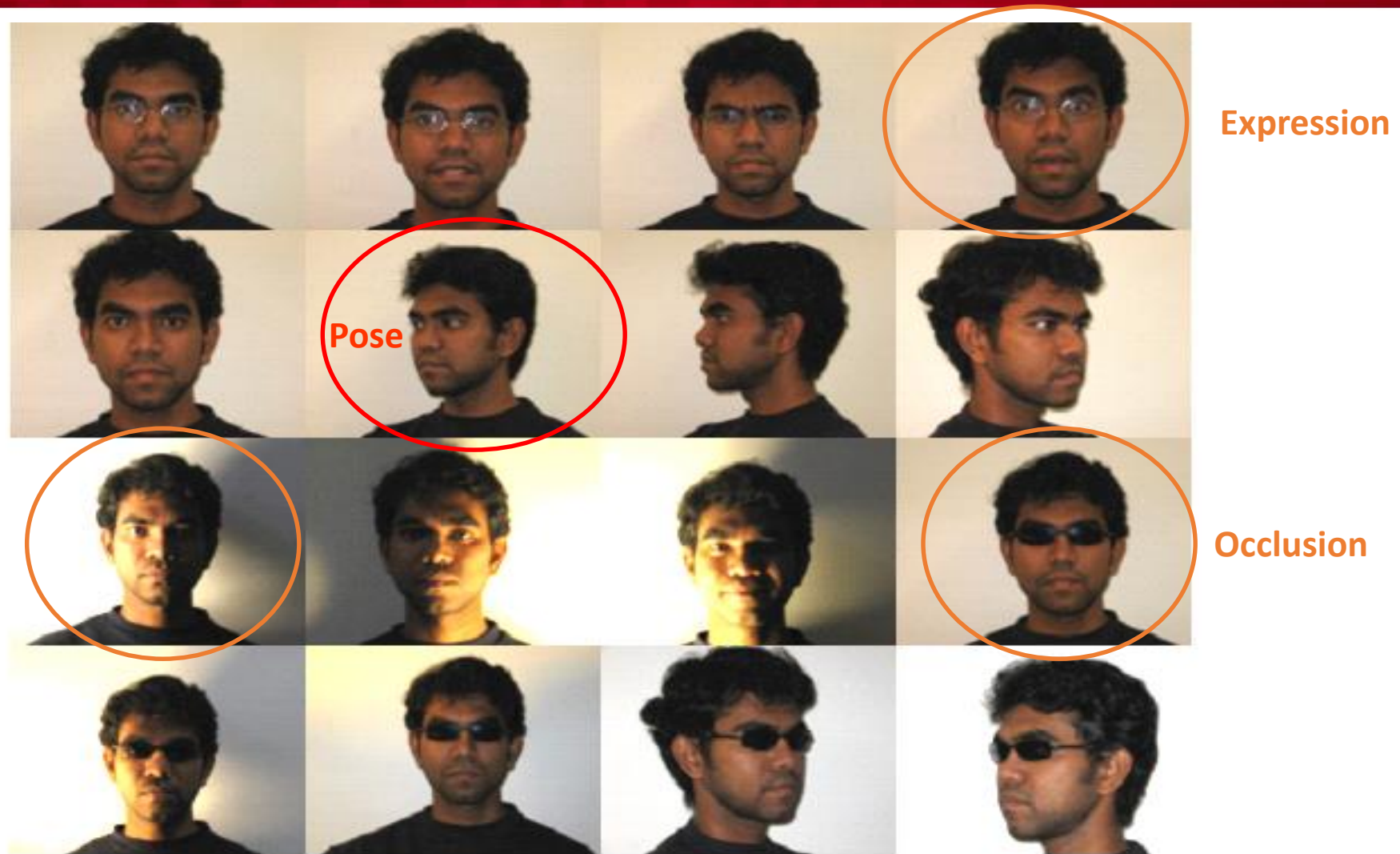
**Face Detection** – quickly and efficiently locates all faces in a given image region.

**Face Features**– calculates unique features of each person in the face database that can be used for accurate classification.

**Feature Classification** – compares features of face regions obtained from the detection process with face feature data computed from the training stage to determine the identity of individuals.



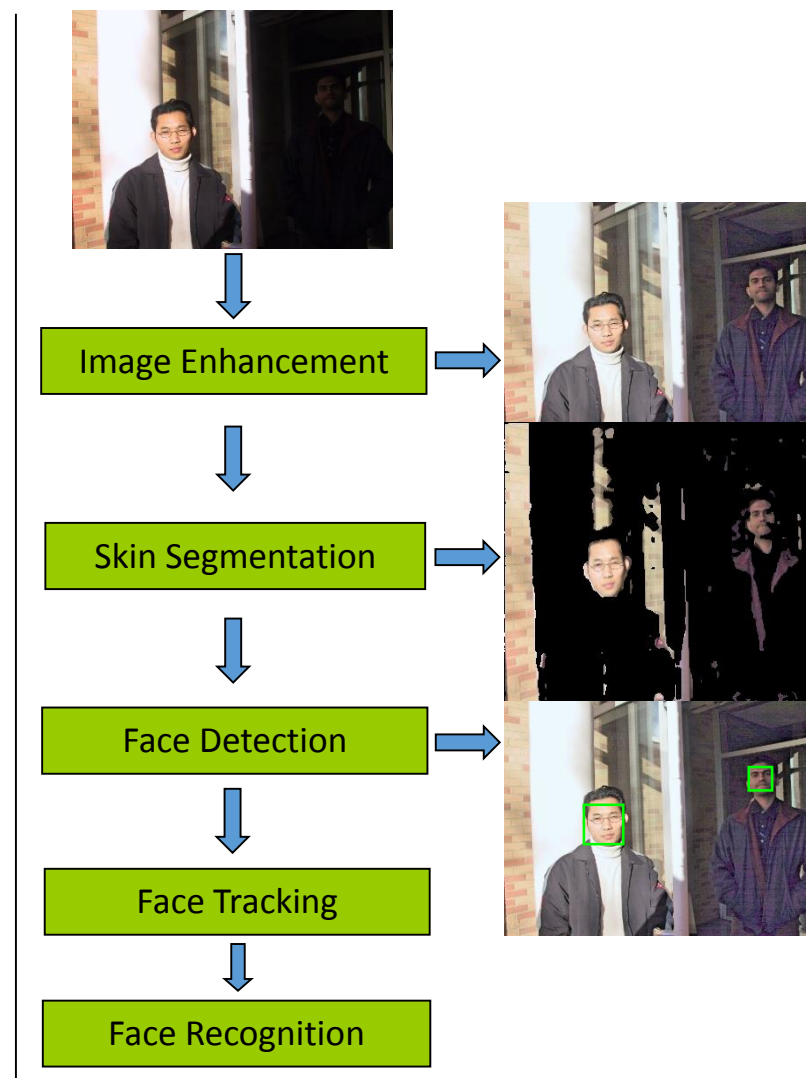
# Face Recognition: Appearance Variations





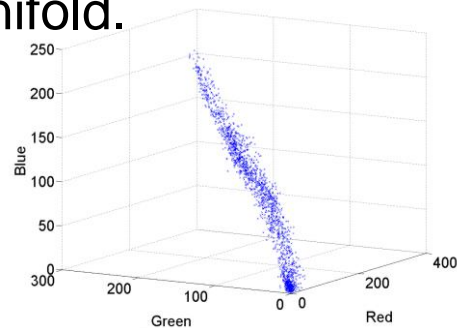
# Face Recognition – UD Research

- Images at various lighting conditions are enhanced to a uniform lighting environment.
- In order to reduce the search space for faces in an image frame, the human skin regions are extracted using the color information.
- Search for faces in all skin regions by using a feature matrix developed by a training process.
- Detected faces are tracked in consecutive frames by statistical analysis performed using the concept of particle filter.
- Manifold learning technique for face recognition.



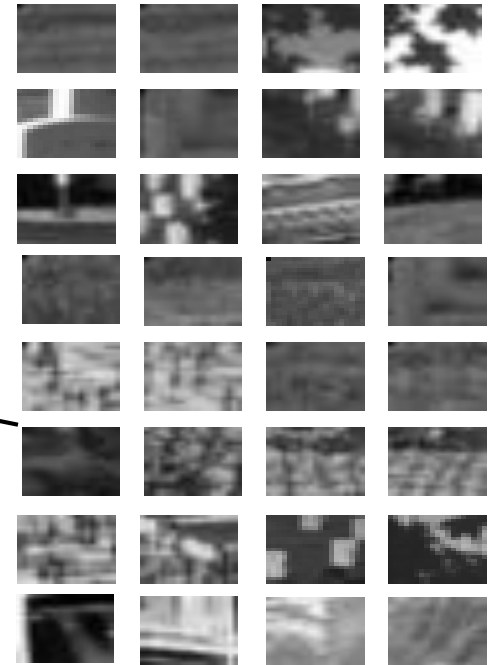
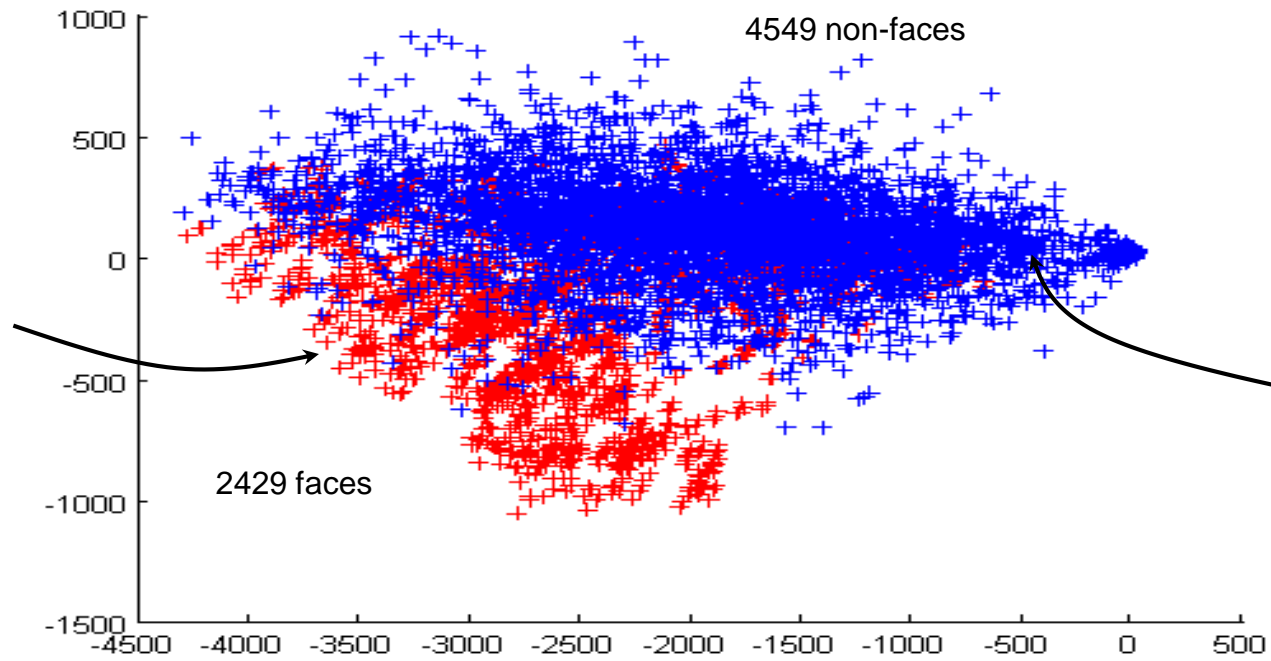
# Skin Color Segmentation

Skin colors are forming a nonlinear pipe in the RGB space. It is possible to describe the skin color mathematically using the nonlinear manifold.

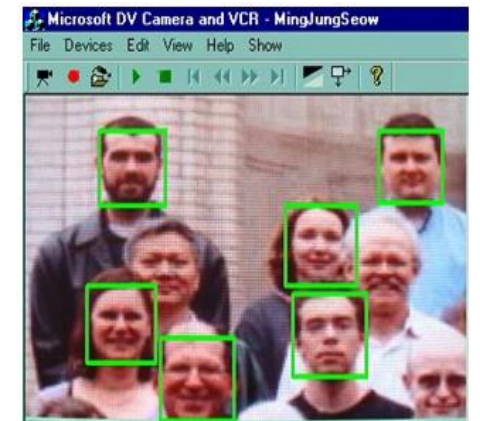




# Face Detection



Training with faces and non-faces.  
Dimensionality reduction.  
Classification.



# Face Detection in Enhanced Images



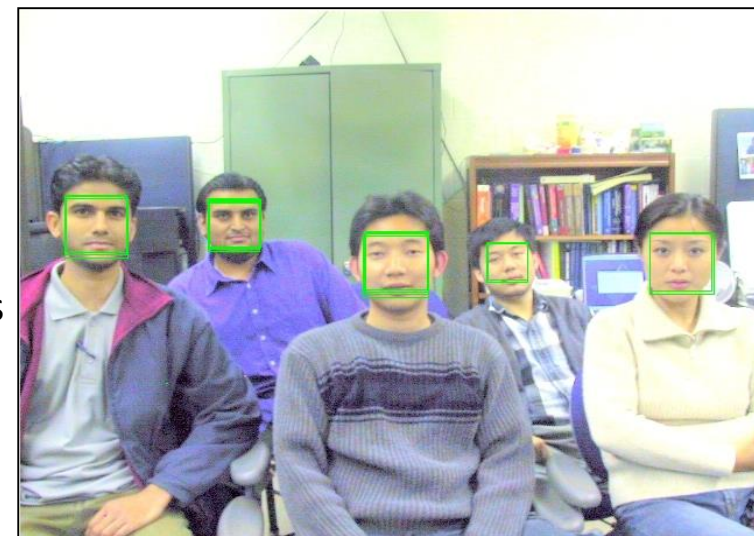
Original image



Skin segmented image



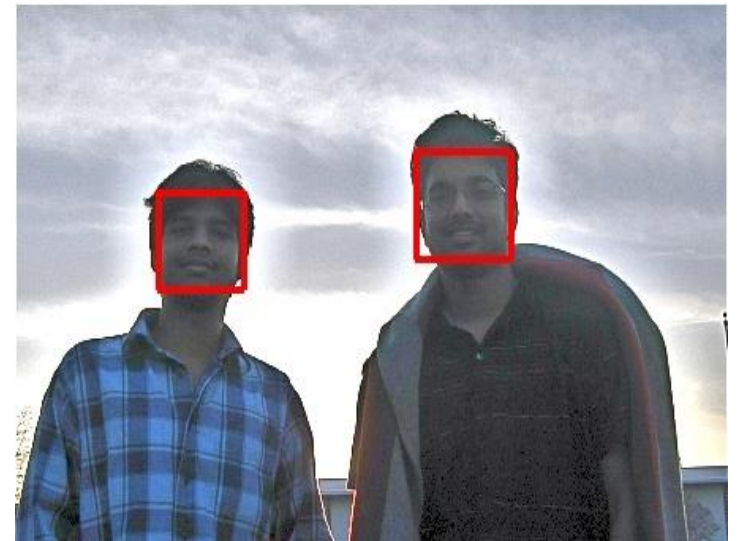
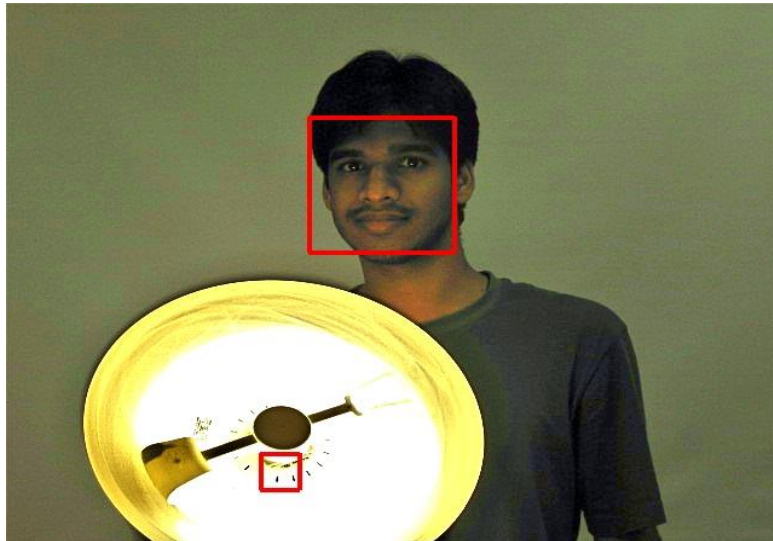
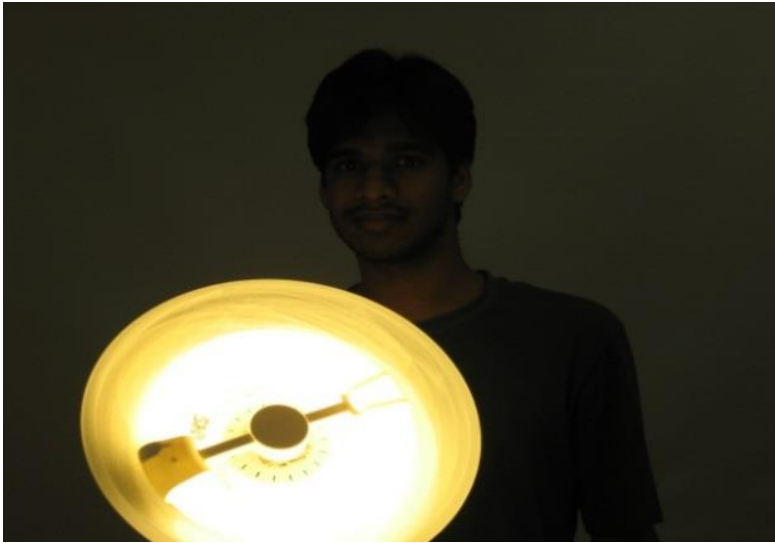
Enhanced image



Detected faces



# Lighting Invariant Face Detection



# Pose Invariant Face Detection

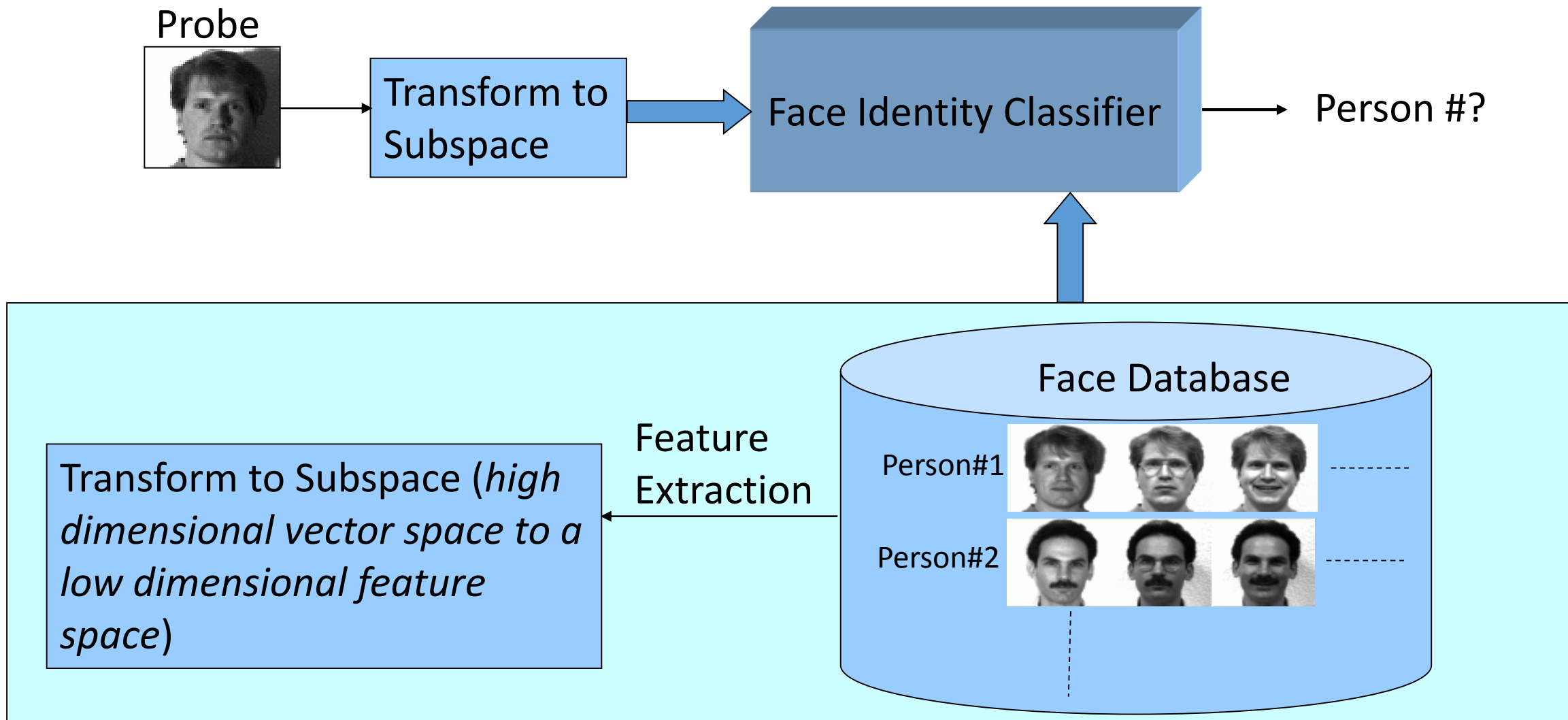




# Pose Invariant Face Detection



# Face Recognition: A Modular Approach





# Face Recognition: Object Pose and Orientation Variation

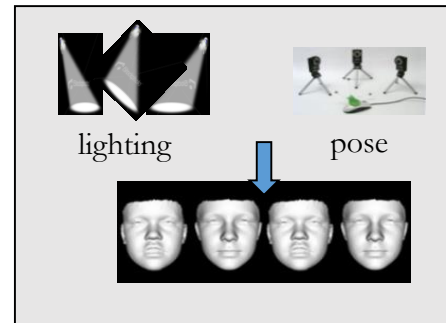


Face images are from UMIST face database

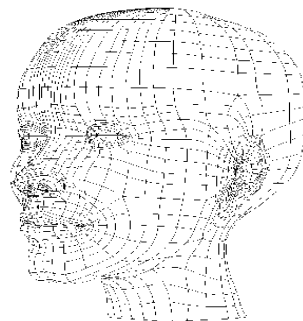
# Synthetic Database using Single Training Image



Original image



3D Face Model



45 Degree Side-Lighting from both sides



Top-Lighting Overhead



Top-Lighting Overhead with  
45 Degree Side-Lighting from both sides

Generated synthetic 2D images



# Face Recognition – Moving Forward!





# Object Detection, Tracking, and Identification: Wide Area Motion Imagery Data and IR Data Analysis

Object detection and tracking on WAMI data

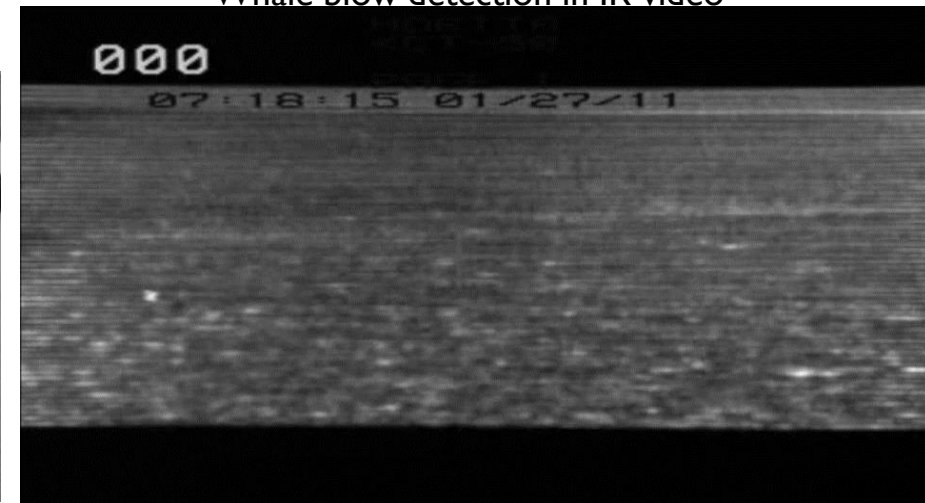


Pedestrian tracking

Whale blow detection in IR video



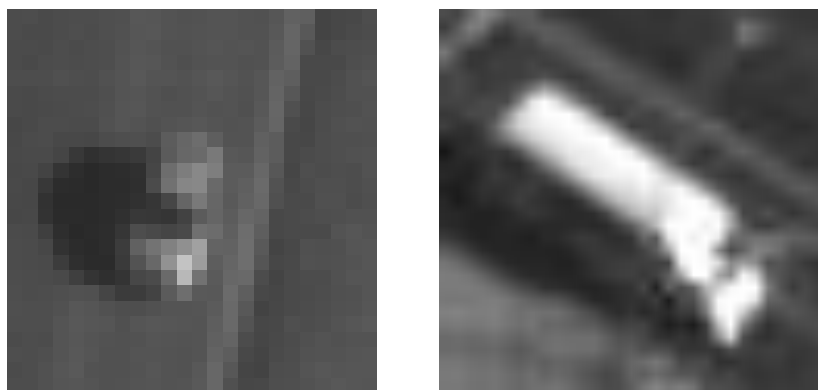
Small boat detection





# Wide Area Aerial Imagery Data Analysis

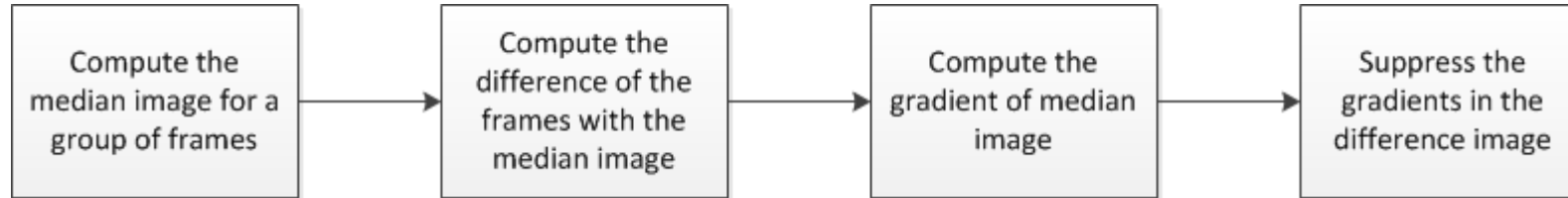
- CLIF – Columbus Large Image Format.
- Data from electro-optic sensors mounted on an aerial platform flying at 7000 feet.
- Six cameras with partially overlapping fields of view.
- Frame size: 4008×2672 pixels at 2 fps.



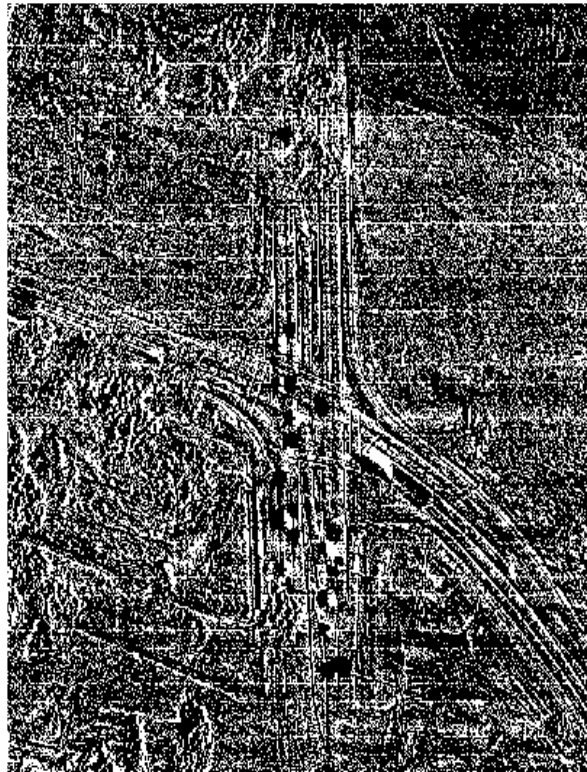
Objects of interest – cars, vans, trucks



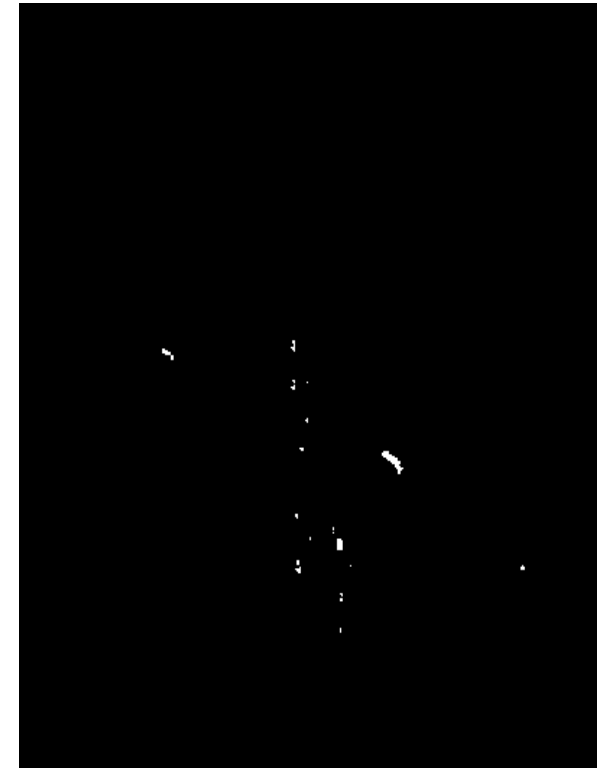
# Moving Object Detection



Original frame



Difference image



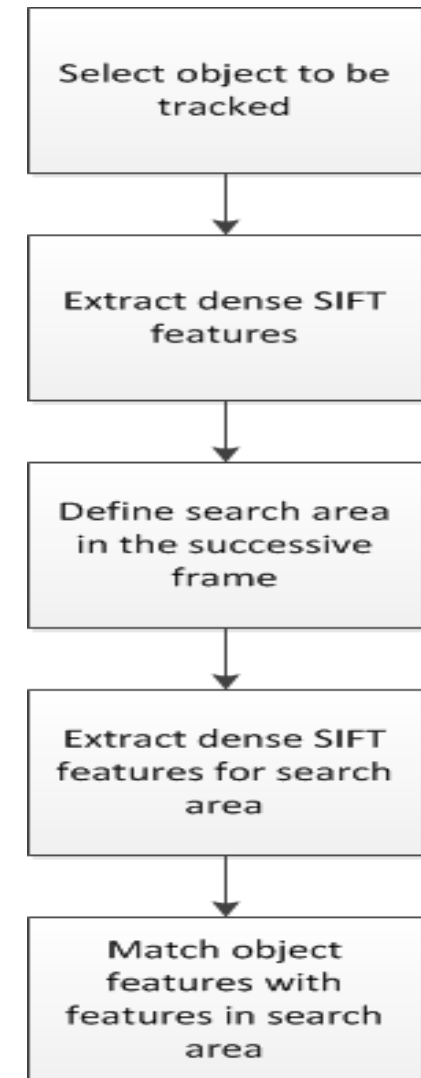
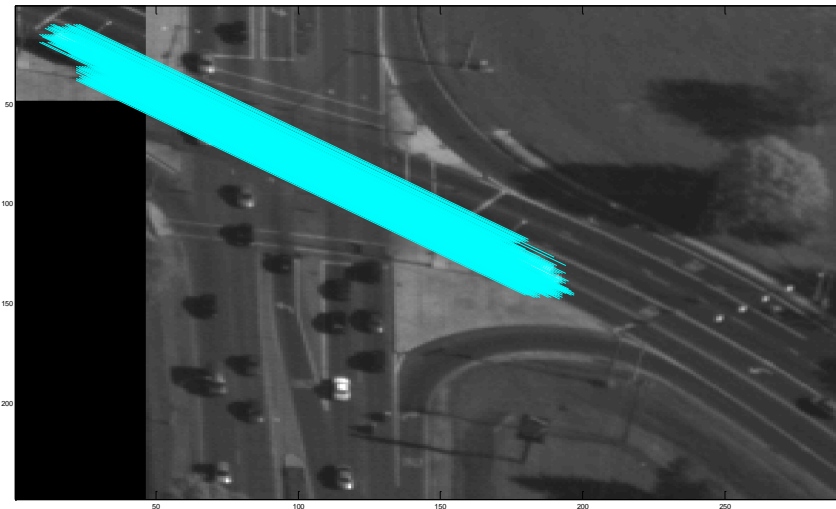
After gradient suppression



# Object Tracking

- Feature tracking using **Dense SIFT**

- Extract SIFT features for every pixel .
- Dense feature set gives a better representation of the object.
- Matching is based on the criteria that ratio of distances to first and second closest match should be greater than a particular threshold.



# Vehicle Tracking



Tracking multiple objects in a scene with enhancement

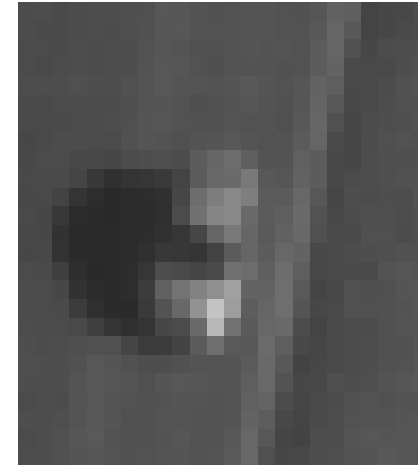


# Object Tracking with Enhancement and Super-resolution



# Pedestrian Tracking

Track pedestrian movement in long range data (CLIF data)



Car  
15x15 pixels



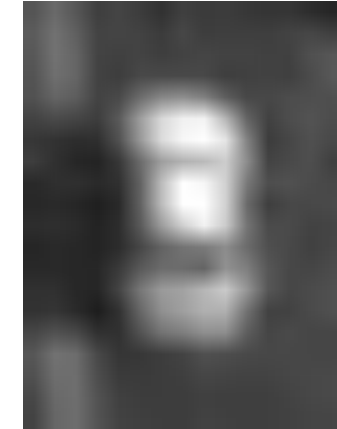
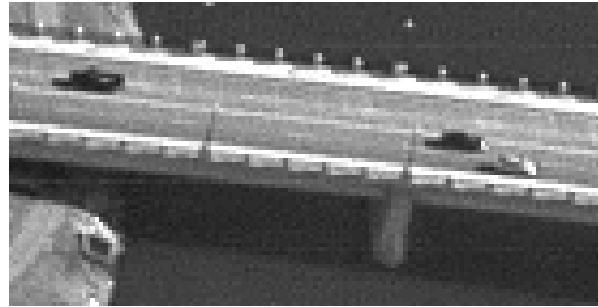
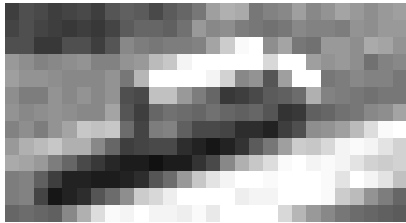
Pedestrian  
2x7 pixels



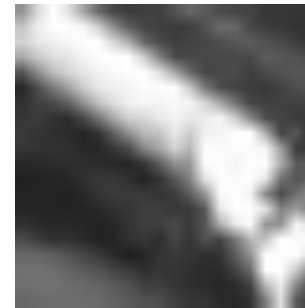
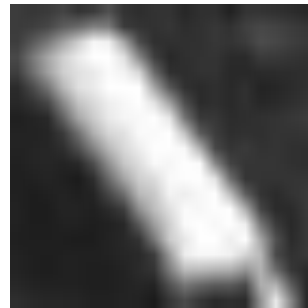
# Pedestrian Tracking



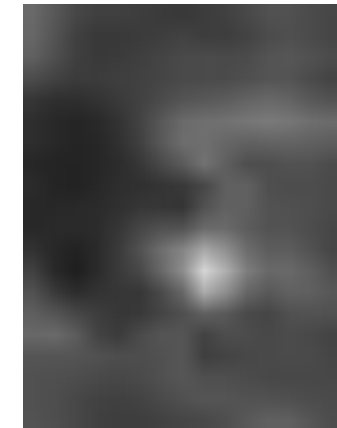
# Classification Problem on CLIF Data



- Low resolution
- Poorly defined contour
- No color information

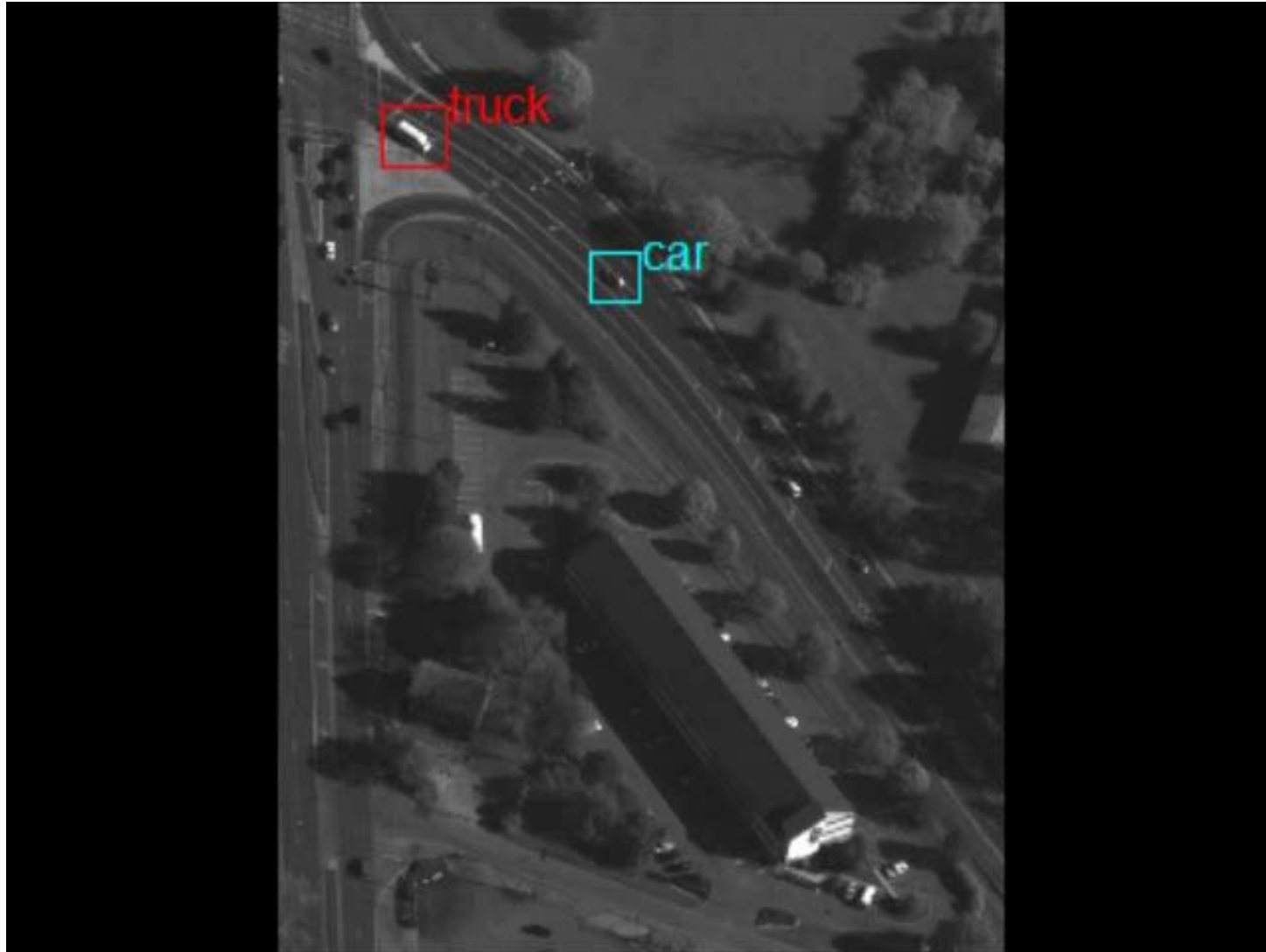


- Trucks and cars: Intensity distributions are significantly different
  - Enhancement is an important preprocessing step
  - Some fuzziness in the intensity distribution
- Classifiable with Linear SVM

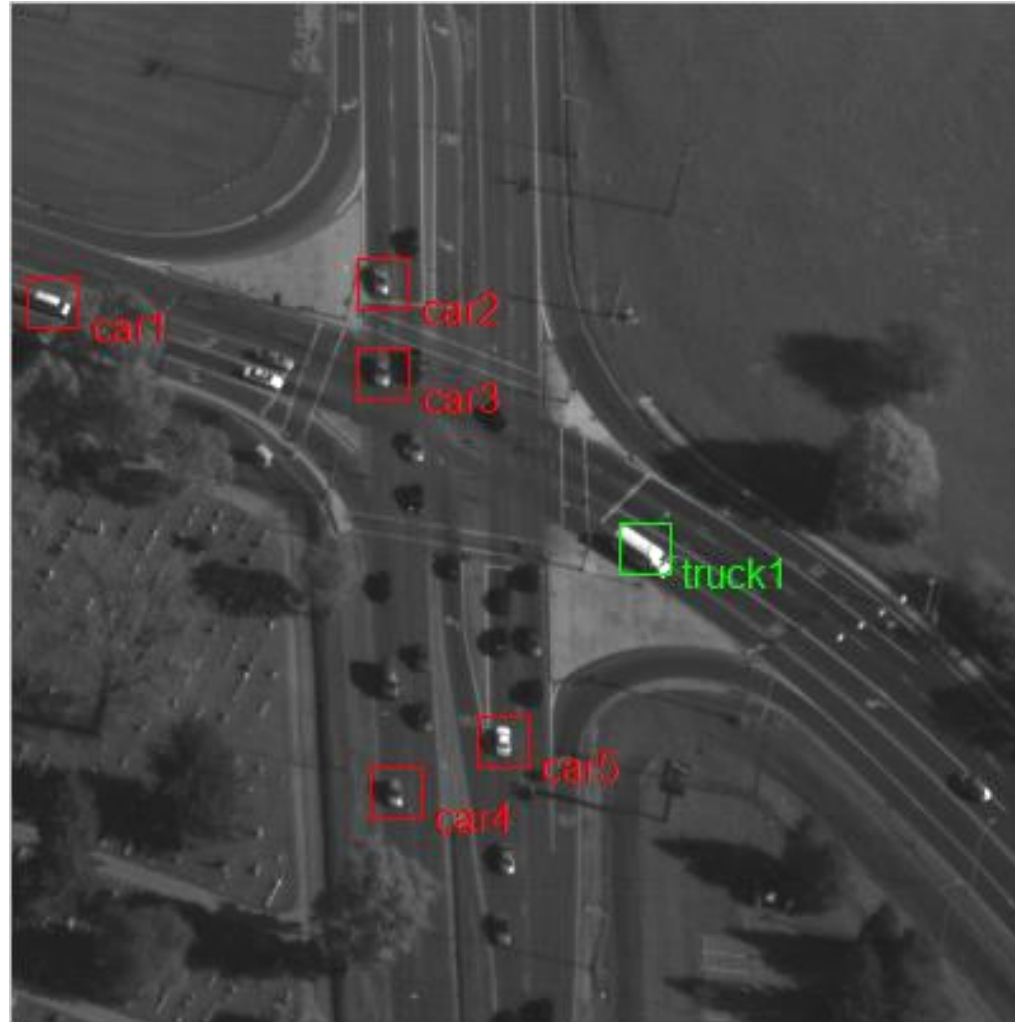




# Tracking with Classification



# Moving Object Classification



Detecting and classifying moving targets into two classes.



# Moving Object Classification with Enhancement



The number of detections significantly improves with super-resolution and enhancement.

# Whale Blow Detection in IR Video: Objective

- Detect and track movement of whales during migration
  - Detect presence of whales by detecting whale blows
  - Estimate pod size using timing constraints of whale blows
  - Track whale movement based on their characteristic movement patterns

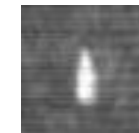


**IR Video: Frame Size: 340 × 280 pixels, Frame Rate: 30 fps**



# Characteristics of Whale Blows

- Blow appears as a distinct change in the environment.
  - Whale blow is brighter than the background.
  - Distinctive shape when the blow is full-size.
- Two whale blows will not have same base.
  - Presence of significant distance between two whales.
- Temporal characteristics of the blow.
  - Rise period and fall period.
  - Characteristic variation in blow shape.



# Whale Blow Detection

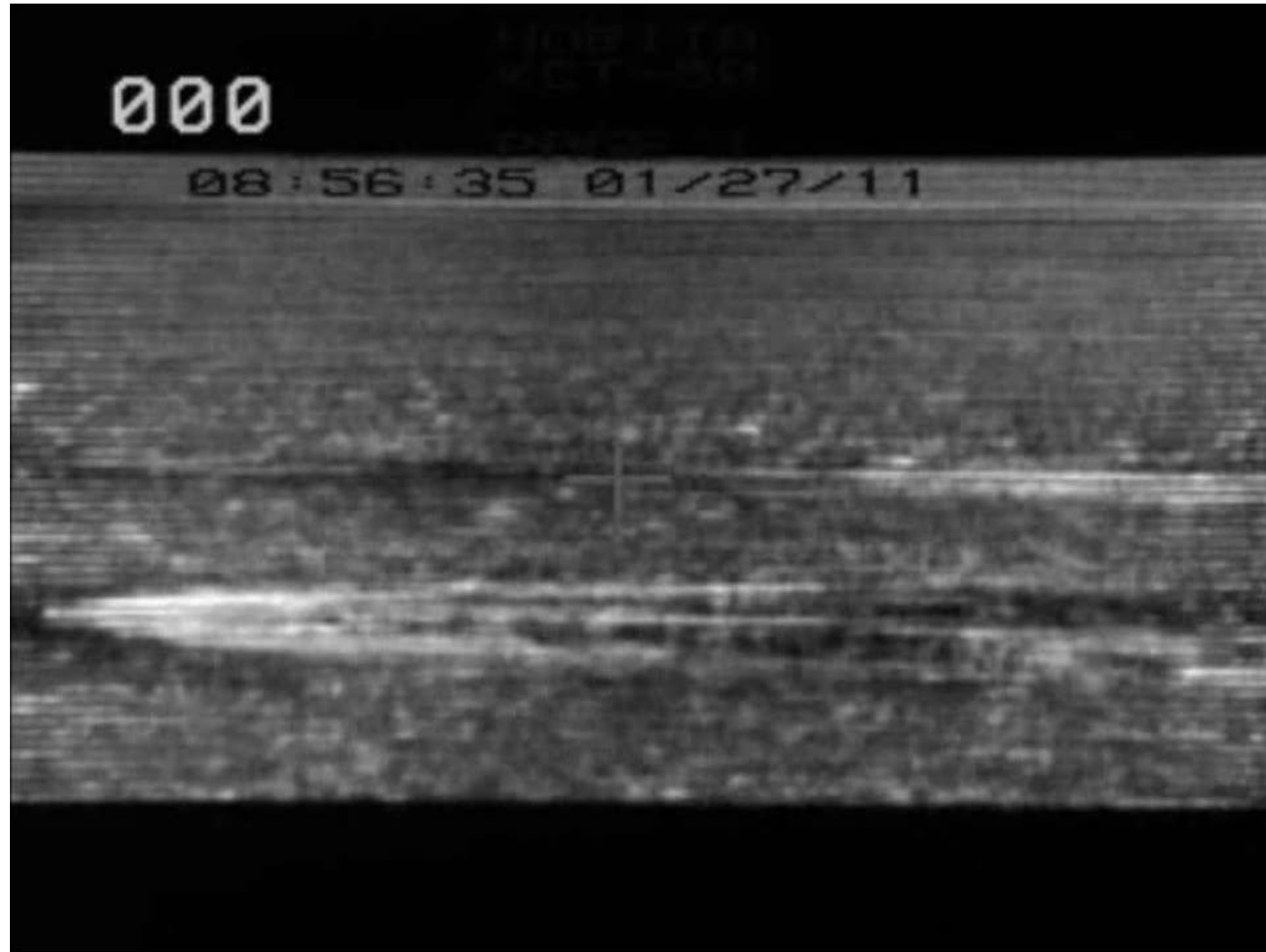


Video with whale blow



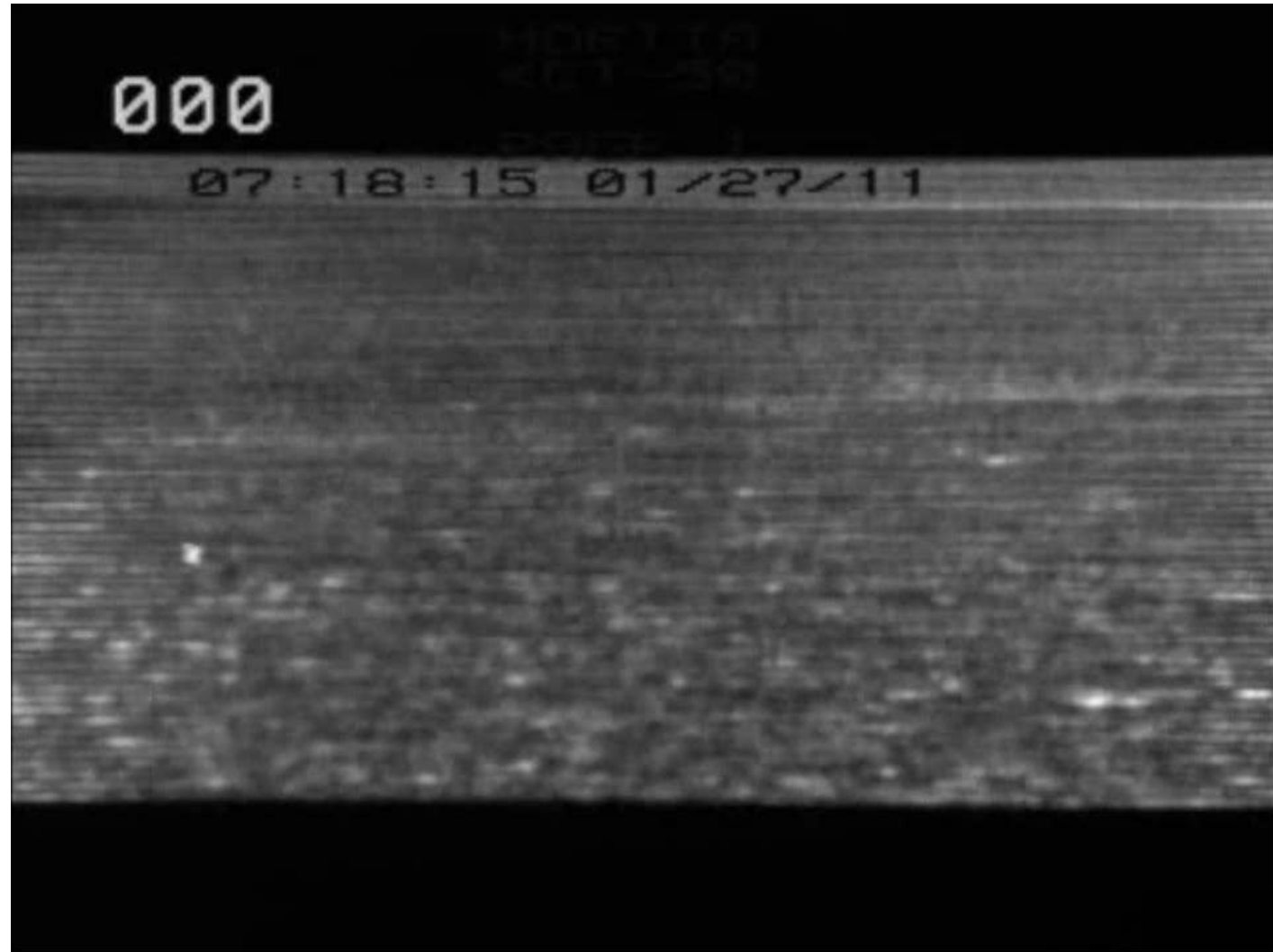
# Whale Blow Detection

With textural variations on the surface



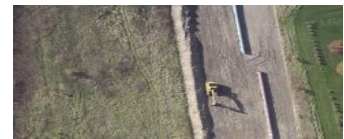
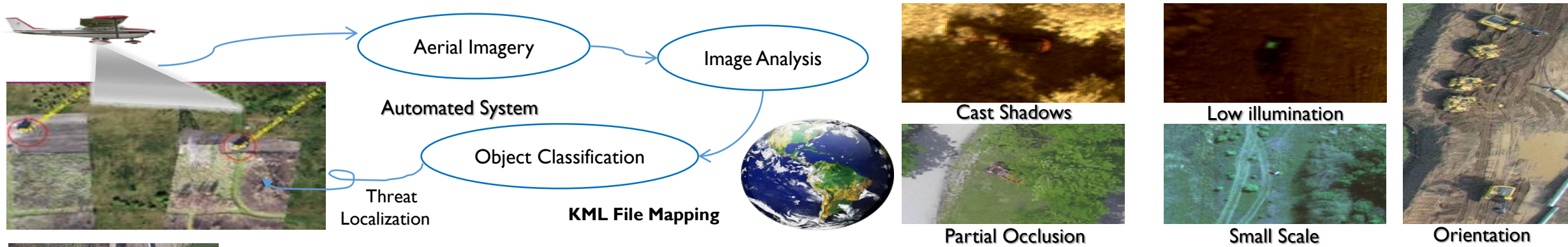
# Whale Blow Detection

Multiple whale blows





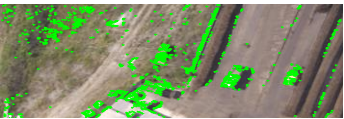
# Oil/Gas Pipeline Right-of-Way Automated Monitoring for Pipeline Encroachment and Machinery Threat Detection



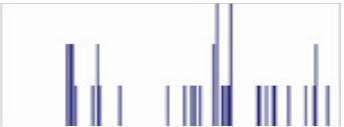
**Color Transformation and Enhancement**



**Key Frame Selection**



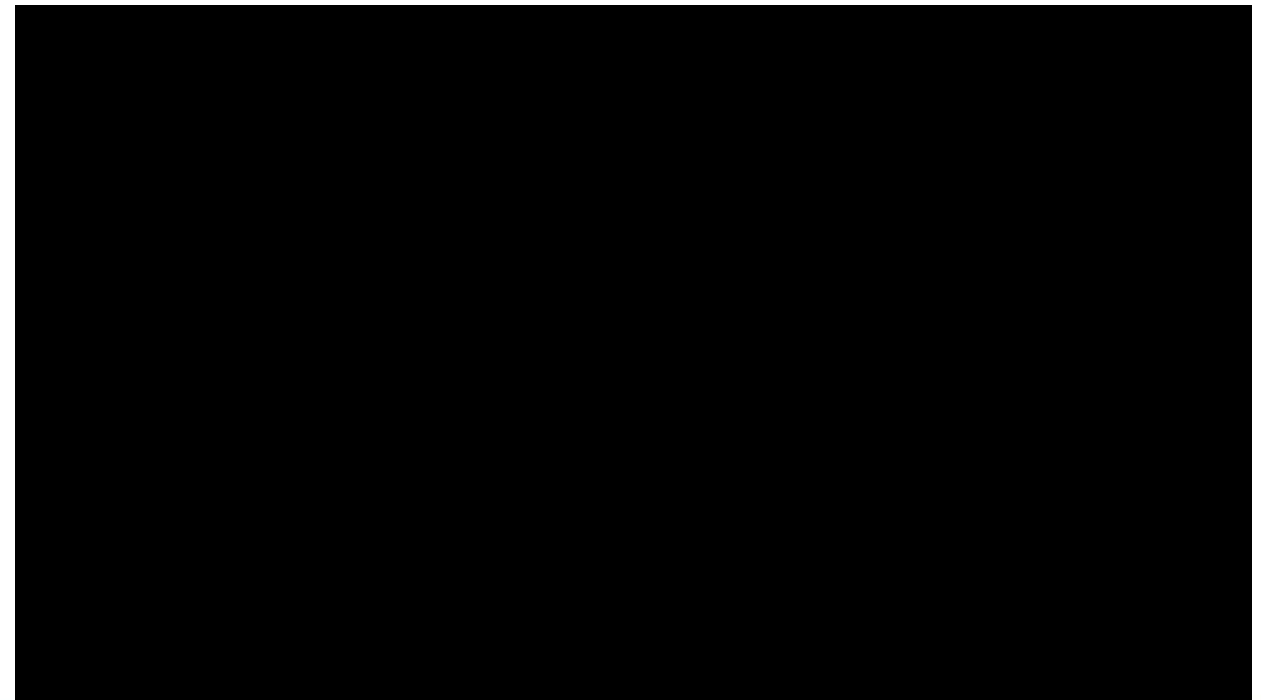
**Key Region Localization**



**Local Feature Extraction**

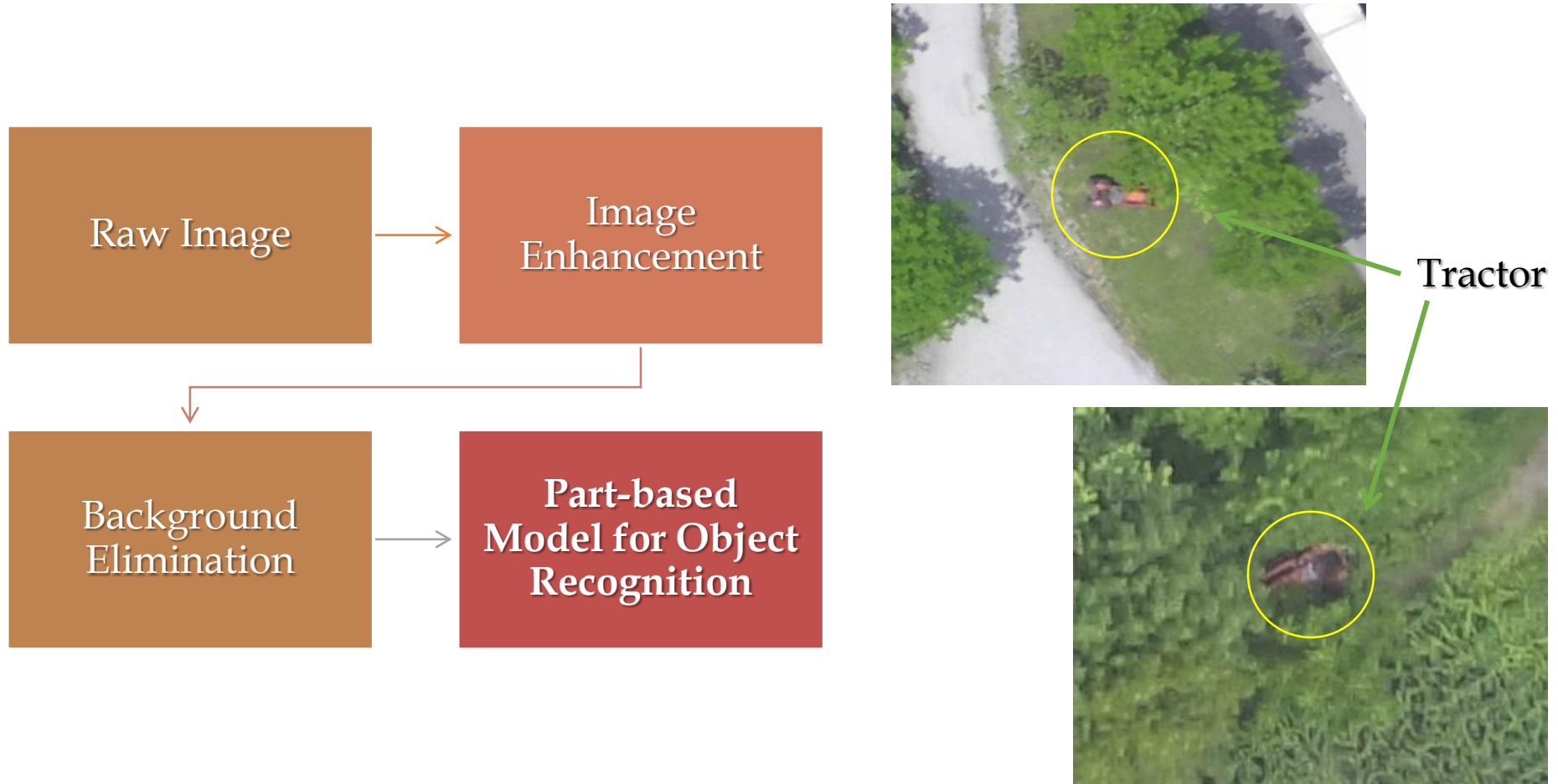


**Object Detection and Identification**



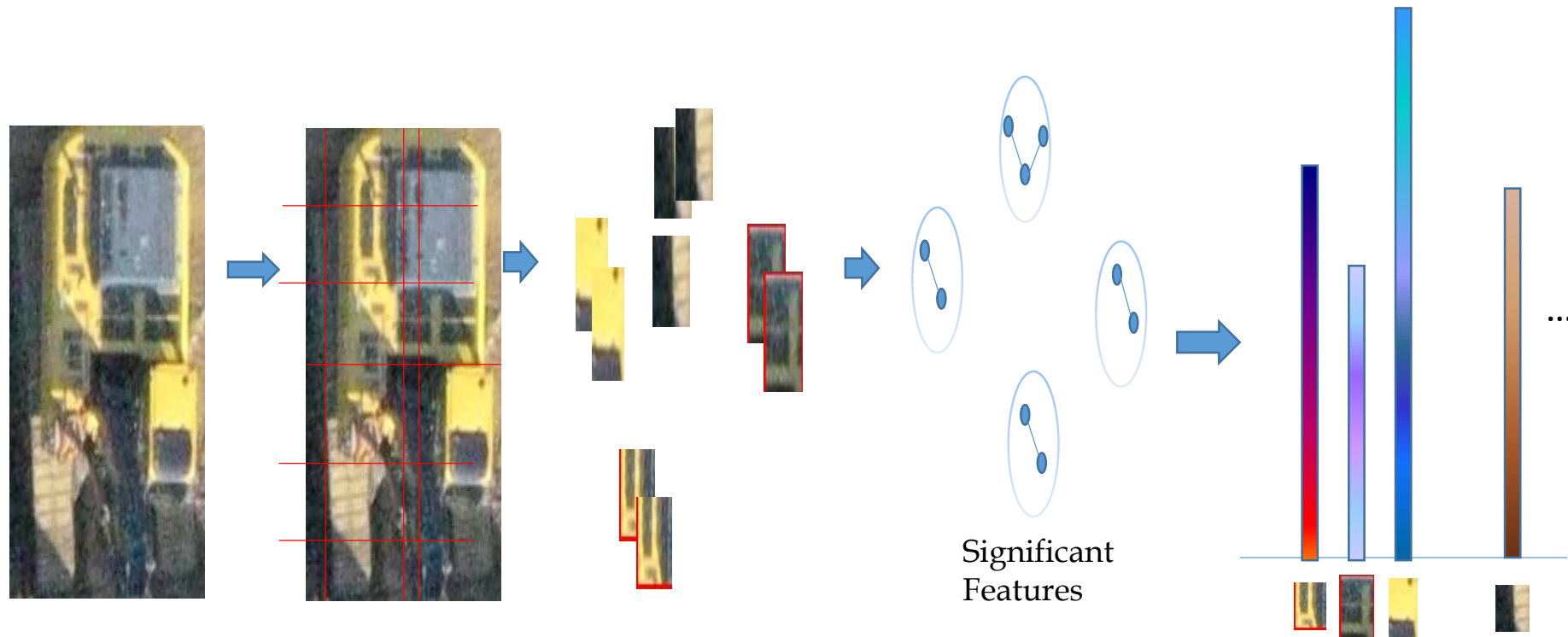
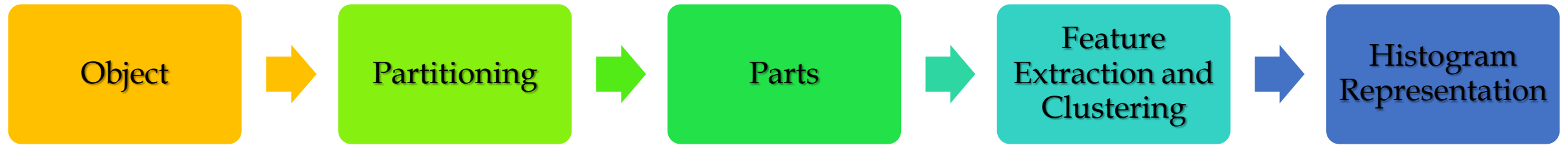
# Part-based Model for Robust Classification

- The purpose of developing a part-based model is to cope with partial occlusion and large appearance variations.





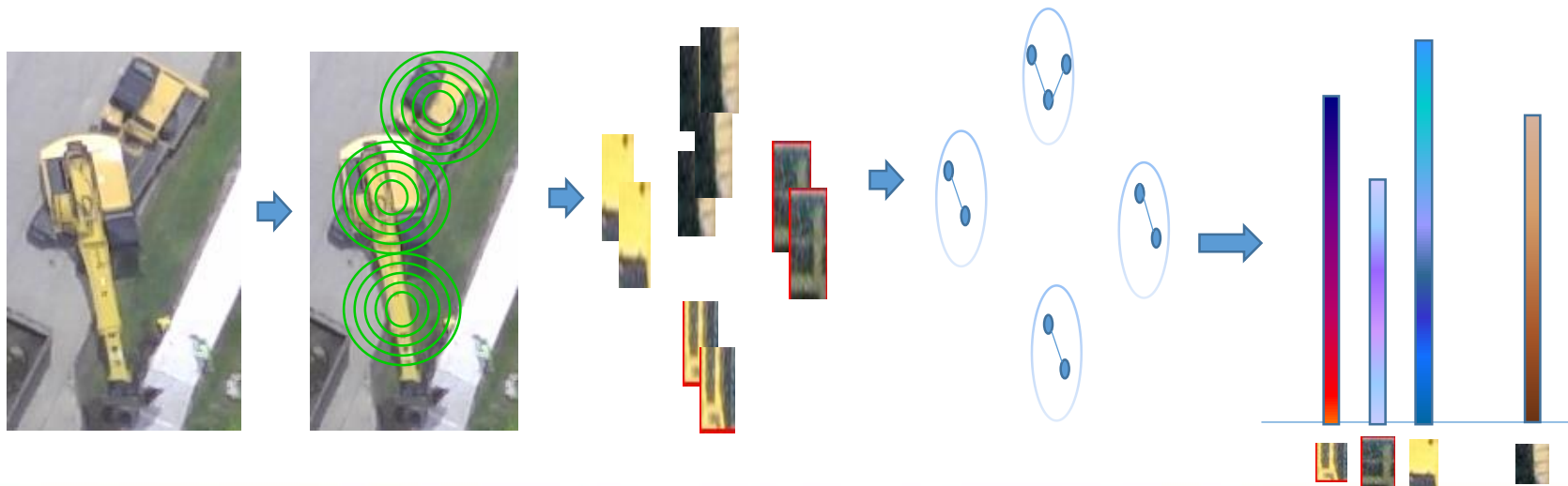
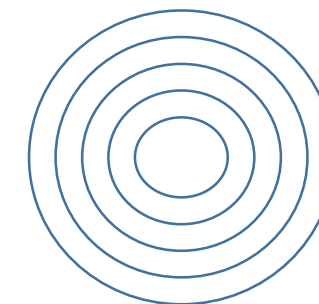
# Part-based Model for Robust Classification



# Ringlet Part-Based Model

Method: Using Ring Histogram for each part of objects

- Invariant to rotation
- Still contains spatial information
- Still contains partial occlusion ability



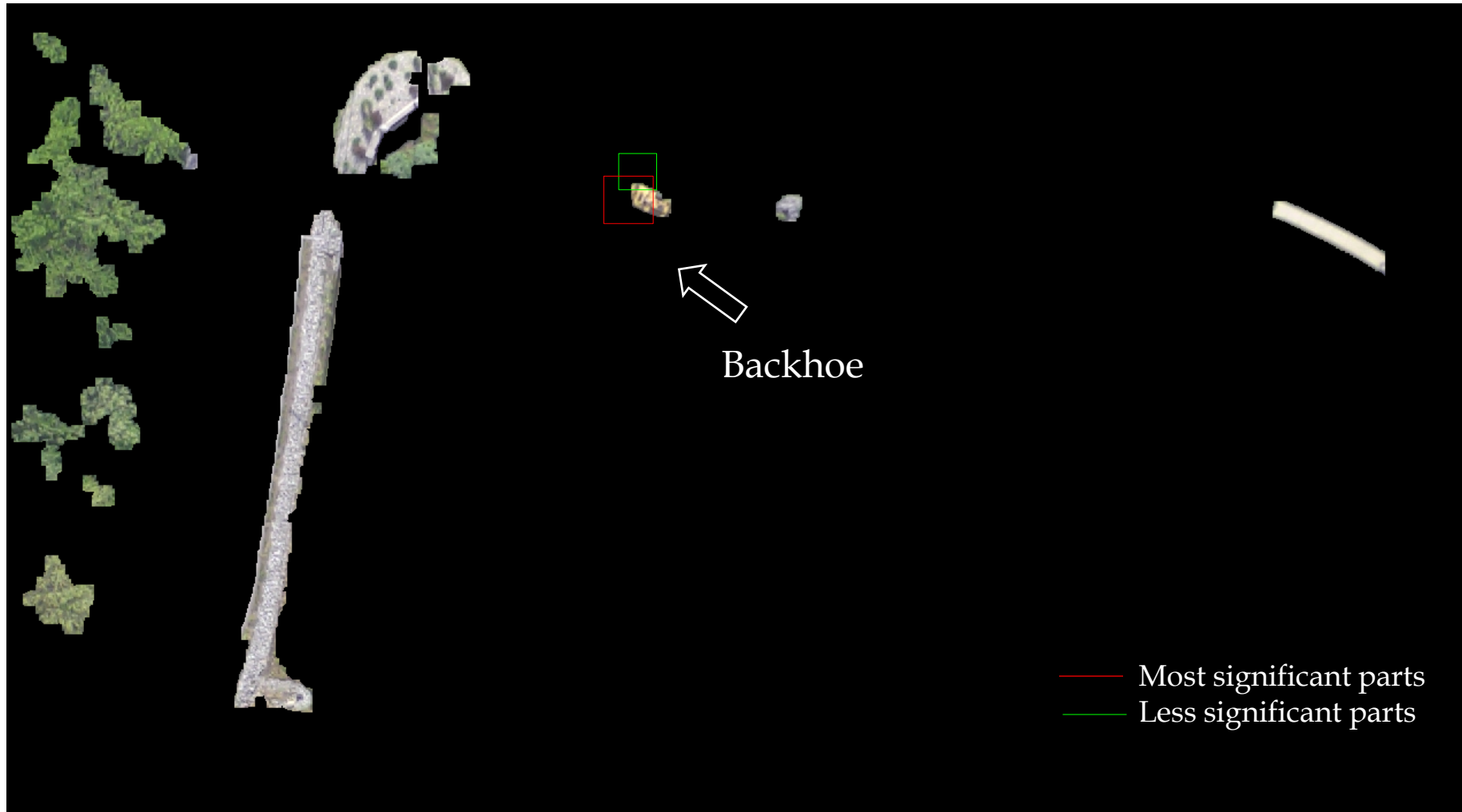


# Raw Image– Non Occlusion



# Part-based Detection – Non Occlusion

Final Detection Output



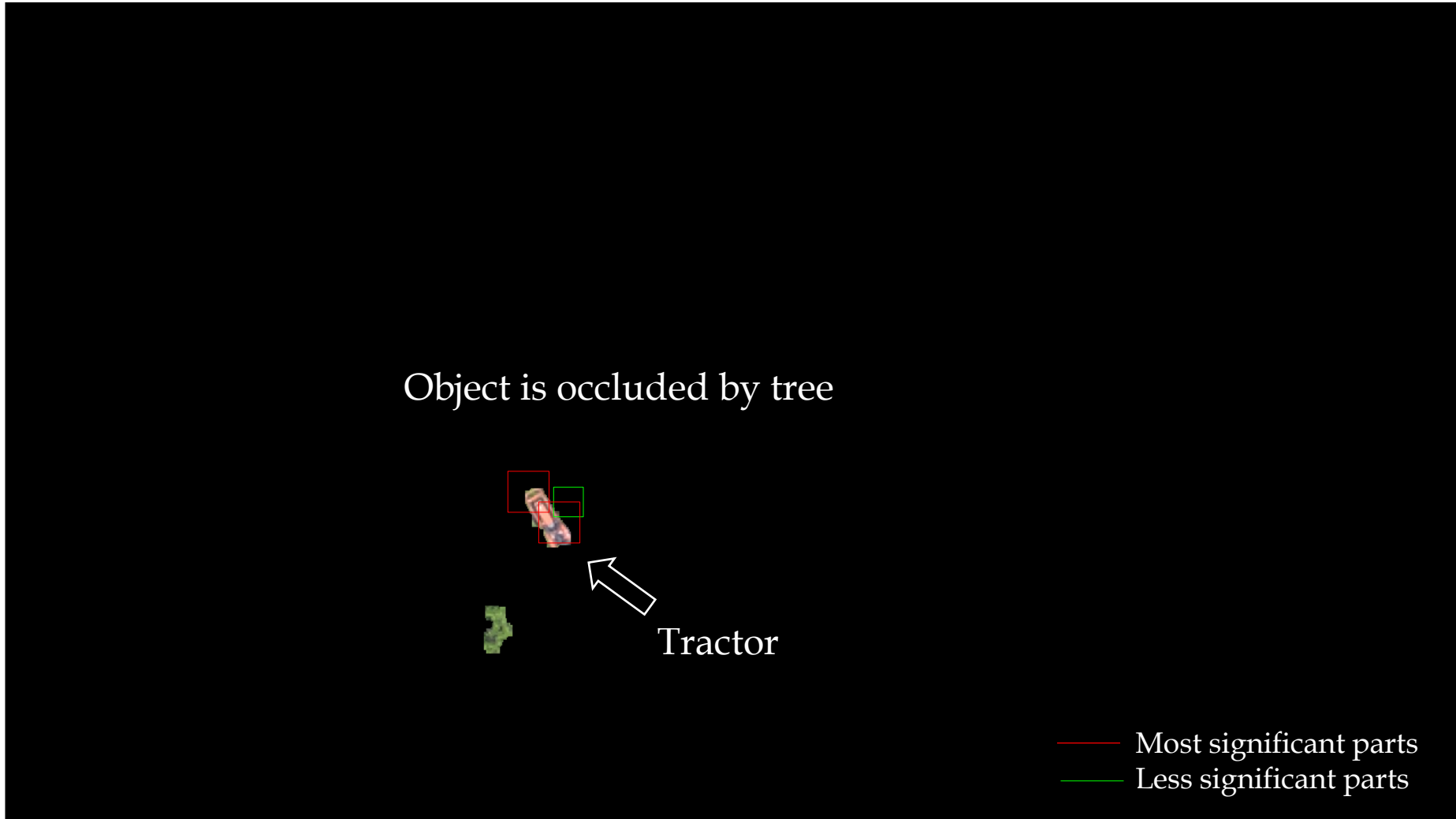


# Raw Image— Partial Occlusion



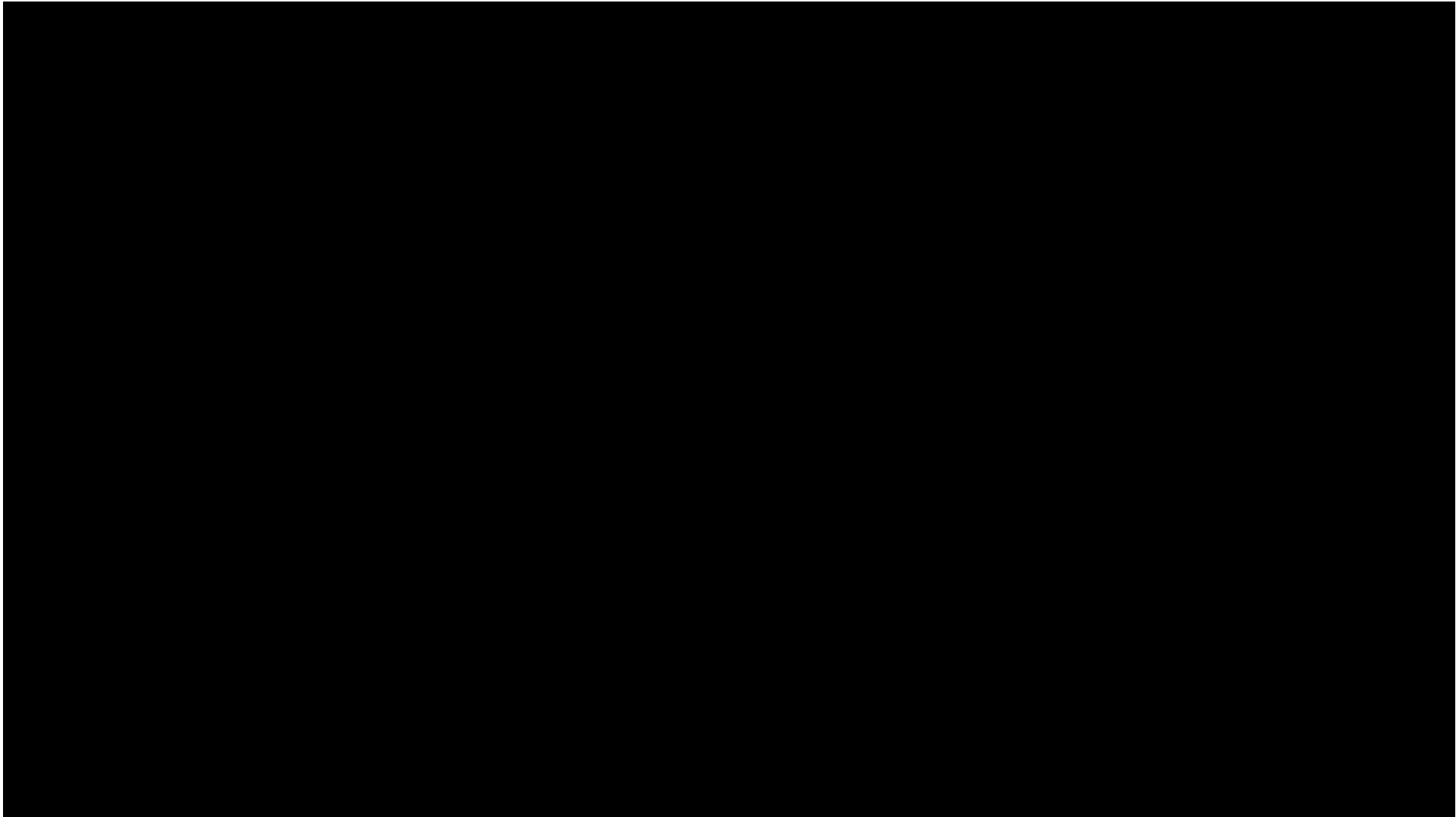
# Part-based Detection – Partial Occlusion

## Final Detection Output

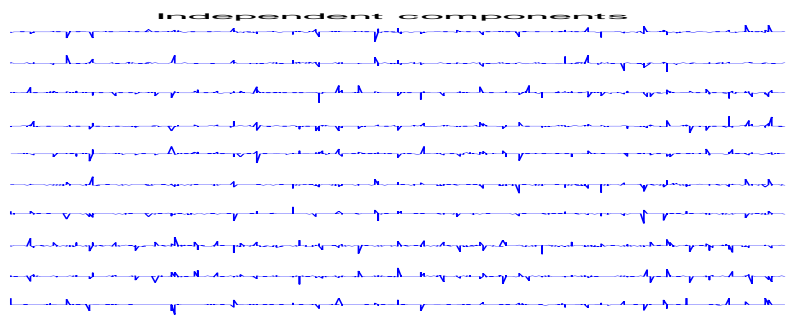




# Threat Detection Results



# Brain Signal Analysis: Emotion Recognition and Brain Machine Interface



## Medical Applications



Brain machine interface

## Security

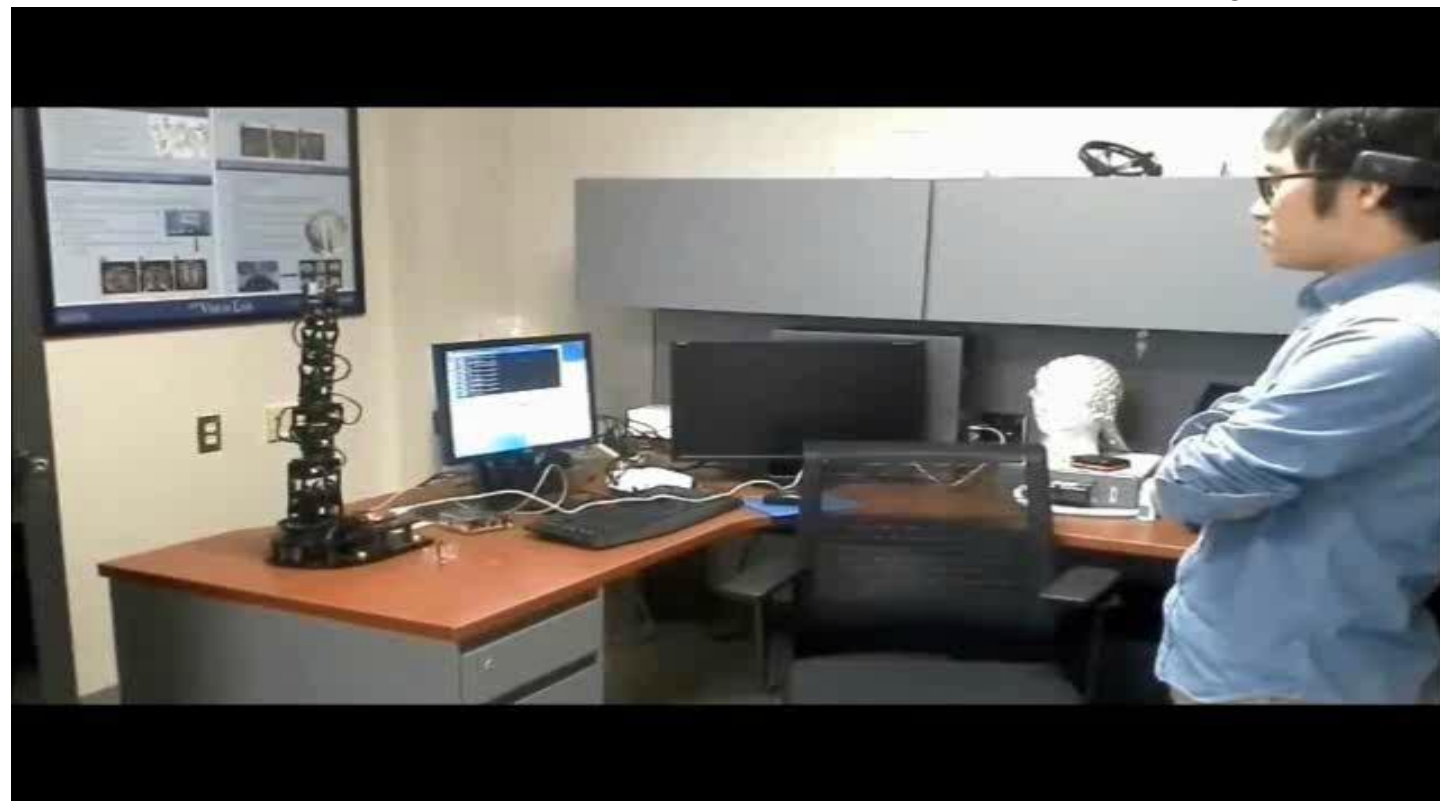
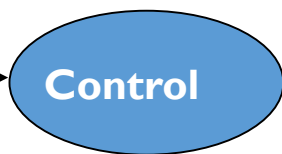
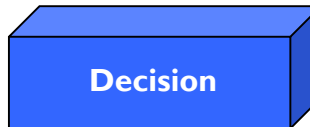
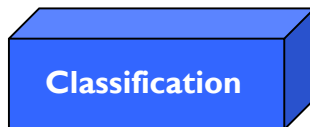


Intentions, motives

## Efficiency



Stress detection, fatigue assessment



# Thanks

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Sensing, Processing and Automatic Decision Making in Real Time