



The Visual Object Tracking VOT2014: Challenge and results

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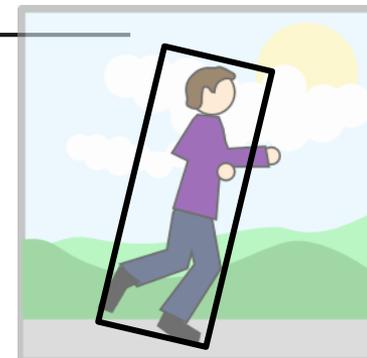
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SCOPE OF THE VOT2014 CHALLENGE

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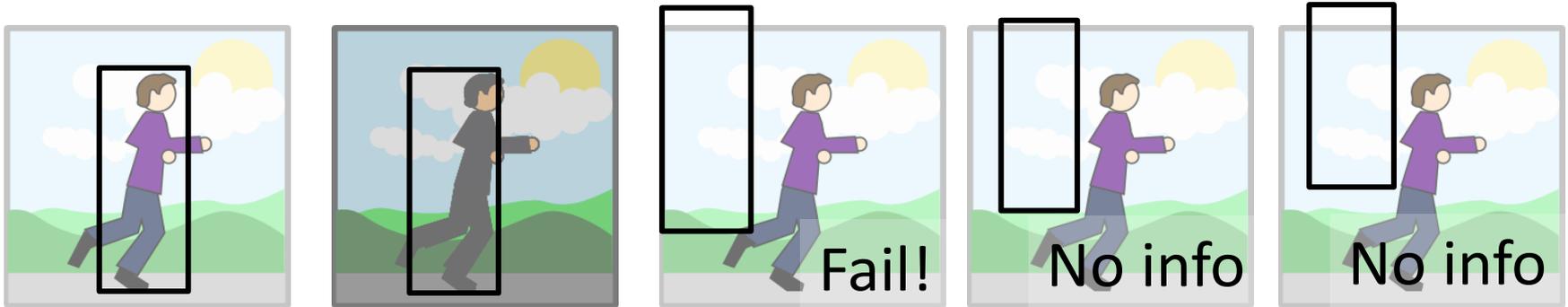
Selected class of trackers



- Single-object, single-camera, model-free, short-term, causal trackers
- Model-free:
 - Nothing but a **single training example** is provided by the BBox in the first frame
- Short-term:
 - Tracker **does not perform re-detection**
 - Once it drifts off the target we consider that a failure
- Causality:
 - Tracker **does not use** any **future frames** for pose estimation
- **Object state** defined as **rotated bounding box**

Requirements for tracker implementation

- Would like to use the data fully



- **Renitalize** once the tracker drifts from the object



Requirements for tracker implementation

- Complete reset:
 - Tracker is **not allowed** to use **any information** obtained **before reset**, e.g., learnt dynamics, visual model.
- Trackers required to predict a **single BB per frame**
- BB is arbitrary (**rotated**) **rectangle** (*new this year!*)
- **Parameters** may be **set internally**, but not by detecting a specific sequence
 - Verified for the top-performing trackers
- Submitting a tracker with different parameters not considered a different tracker



Related work on tracker benchmarking

VTES [Smeulders et al., TPAMI2014], *OTB* [Wu, Lim and Yang, CVPR2013],...

- Initialize at beginning, let run till the end. Then compute a performance measure.
- Apply **long-term measures** (recall, precision) on (mostly) **short-term sequences**.
- Use of **brittle performance measures** (like center-based)
- **Visual properties** of sequences **not detailed enough** for deep analysis.
- Tracker **equivalence not a core problem**:
“If the average overlap for T1 is 0.6 and T2 is 0.61, can we say that T2 is better than T1?”

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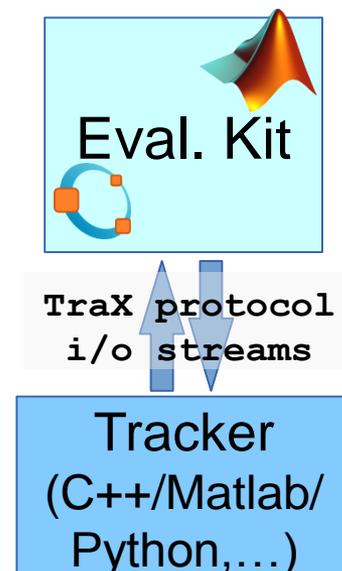
- VOT2013: 1st short-term tracking challenge
 - Provided fully annotated dataset and evaluation kit
 - Advanced performance evaluation methodology
 - Compared 27 trackers on 16 sequences
- VOT2014 improves on VOT2013 in several aspects:
 - A faster evaluation system
 - Extended dataset
 - Improved performance analysis methodology
 - A system for interactive exploration of results

VOT2014 EVALUATION SYSTEM

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VOT2014 Challenge evaluation kit

- Matlab-based kit to automatically perform a battery of standard experiments
- Download from our homepage <https://github.com/vicoslab/vot-toolkit>
- Plug and play!
 - Supports multiple platforms
 - Supports a large variety of programming languages (C/C++/Matlab/Python, etc.)
- Easy to evaluate your tracker on our benchmarks
- Deep integration with tracker → Fast execution of experiments
- Backward compatibility with VOT2013



VOT2014 DATASET

TESTING SET

Relevant datasets

- Lots of datasets: PETS [Young and Ferryman 2005], CAVIAR¹, i-LIDS², ETISEO³, CVBASE⁴, FERET [Phillips et al., 2000], OTB [Wu et al., 2013], ALOV300+ [Smeulders et al., 2013]
- VOT2013 dataset [Kristan et al., 2013]
 - Contains 16 fully labelled color sequences
 - Diversity in visual attributes
 - Methodology for dataset construction
(details in [Kristan et al., 2013])

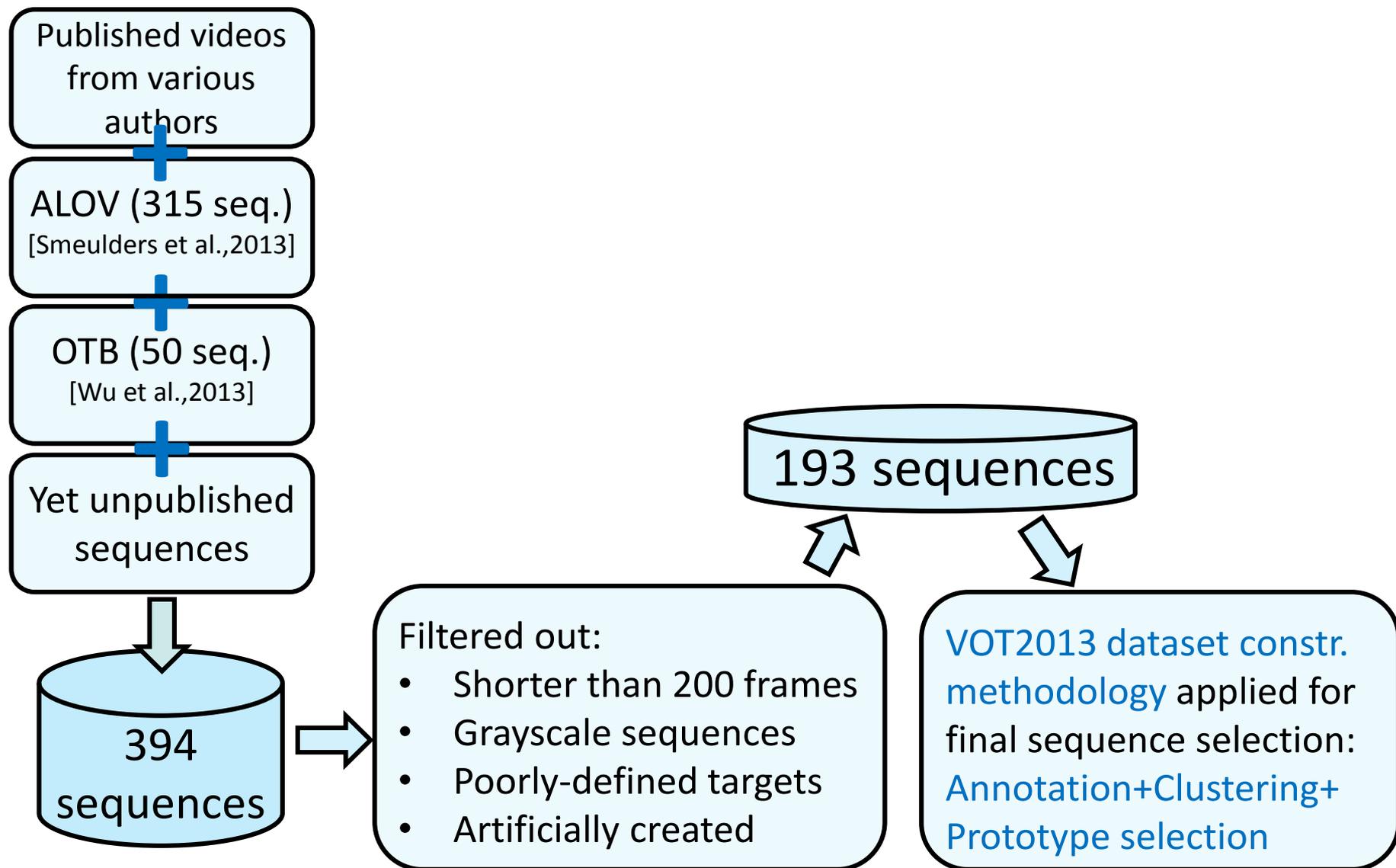
¹ <http://homepages.inf.ed.ac.uk/rbf/CAVIARDATA1>

² <http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/science-research/hosdb/i-lids>

³ <http://www-sop.inria.fr/orion/ETISEO>

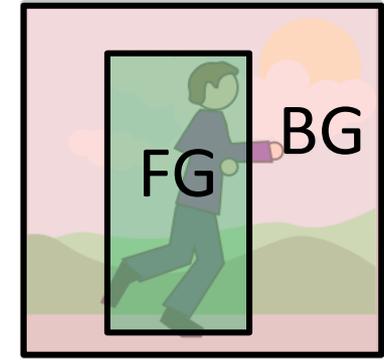
⁴ <http://vision.fe.uni-lj.si/cvbase06/>

VOT2014 dataset: collection and filtering



VOT2014 dataset: Annotation

- 10 global attributes **estimated automatically** for 193 sequences
 - Estimators based on **ad hoc heuristics**
 - Each sequence represented as 10dim feature vector.

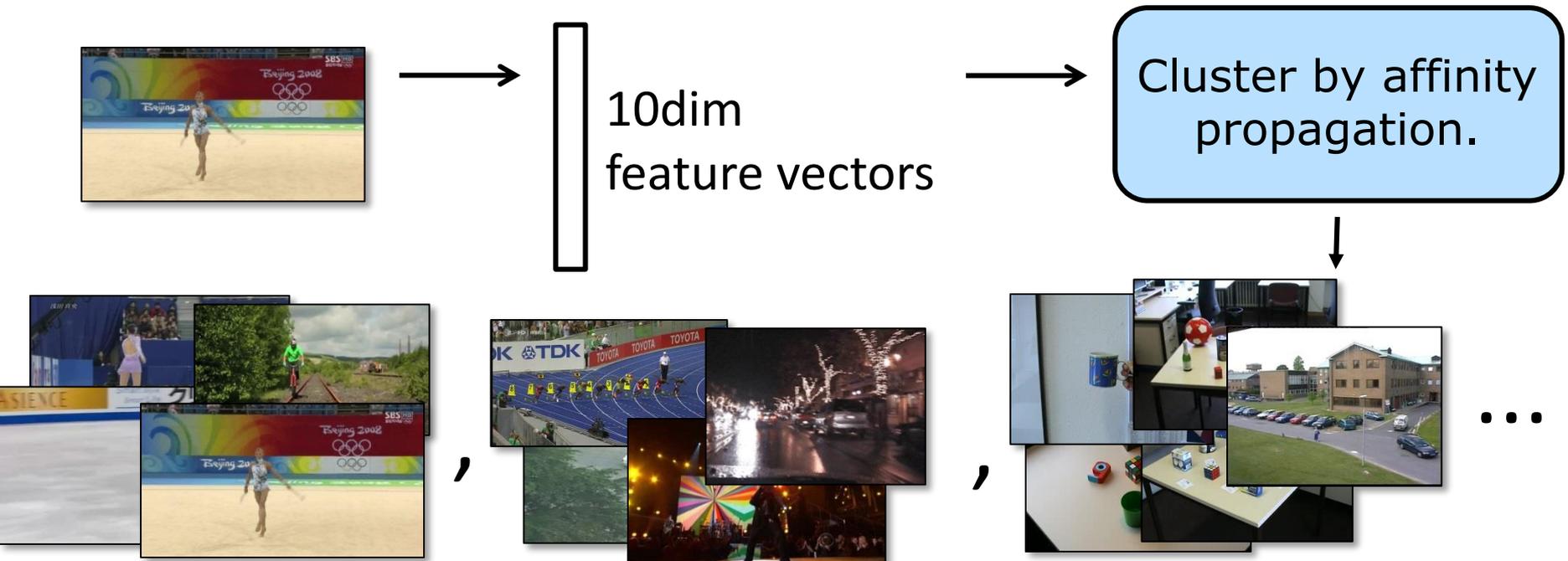


Global attributes:

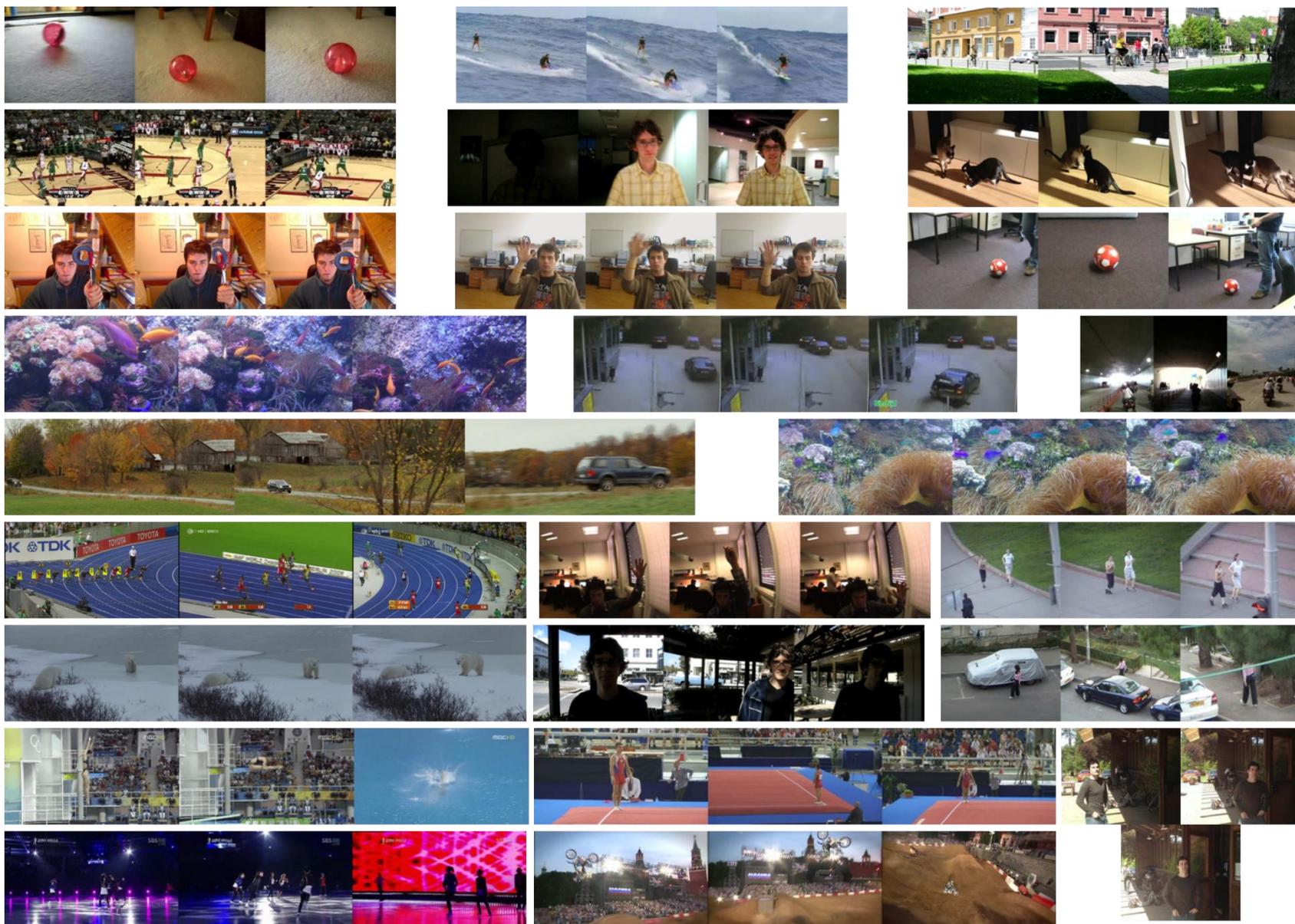
1. Illumination change
(difference of min/max FG intensity)
2. Size change
(average of sequential BB size difference)
3. Motion
(average of sequential BB center difference)
4. Clutter
(FG/BG color histogram difference)
5. Camera motion
(patch features motion between frames)
6. Blur
(Camera focus measure [Kristan et al., 2006])
7. Aspect-ratio change
(relative to initial BB aspect ratio change)
8. Object color change
(average hue change inside BB w.r.t initial)
9. Deformation
(mean intensity change in BB subregions)
10. Scene complexity
(entropy of grayscale image)

VOT2014 dataset: Clustering

- Sequences clustered into 12 clusters by attributes using Affinity propagation [Frey and Dueck 2007].
- Approx. 2 videos selected from each cluster manually.
 - Make sure that phenomena like occlusion were still well represented.



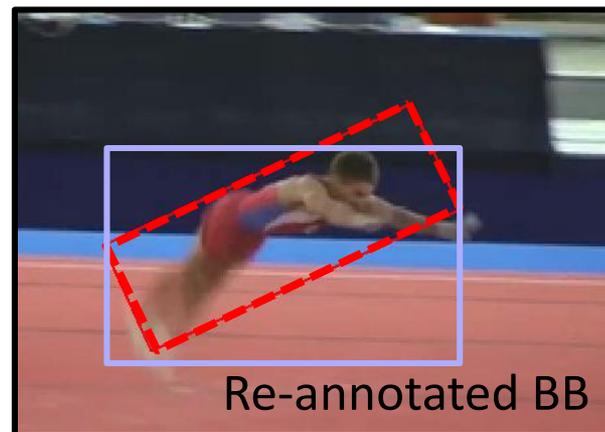
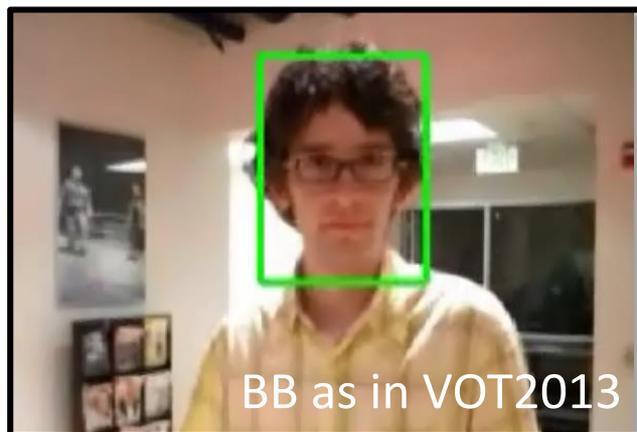
VOT2014 dataset: 25 sequences



VOT2014 dataset – object annotation

- Most came with existing annotation (axis-aligned BB)
- In VOT2013 some were re-annotated (axis-aligned BB)
- In VOT2014, sequences containing elongated, rotating, deforming, objects, **re-annotated by rotated BB**.
- VOT2014 sequences contain:

Original, VOT2013 and new rotated BB annotations.



Dataset – frame-level attribute annotation

- Common practice: Each sequence annotated by a **visual attribute** [Dung et al 2010, Wu et al. 2013]
- However, a visual phenomenon **does not last** over the entire sequence



A failure might incorrectly interpreted as the failure due to occlusion (which happens later on!)

- For a detailed analysis **per-frame annotations** required.

VOT2014 dataset – frame annotation

- Manually and semi-automatically **labeled each frame** with **visual attributes**:
 - Occlusion (M)
 - Illumination change (M)
 - Object motion (A)
 - Object size change (A)
 - Camera motion (M)
 - Neutral (A)

M ... manual annotation, A ... automatic annotation



(i)	0	1	1	0
(ii)	0	0	0	0
(iii)	0	0	0	0
(iv)	1	1	1	0
(v)	0	0	0	0
(vi)	0	0	0	1

VOT2014 dataset – frame annotation

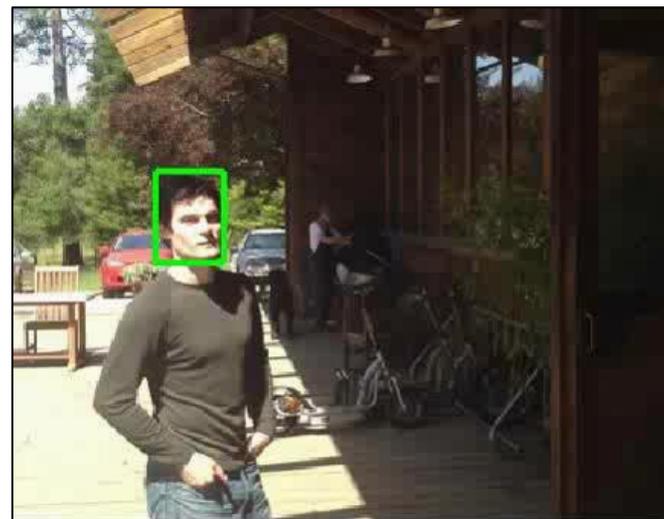
- **Example: Occlusion**

All annotations: occlusion, object size change, camera motion, motion change



- **Example: Illumination change**

All annotations: camera motion, illumination change, motion change

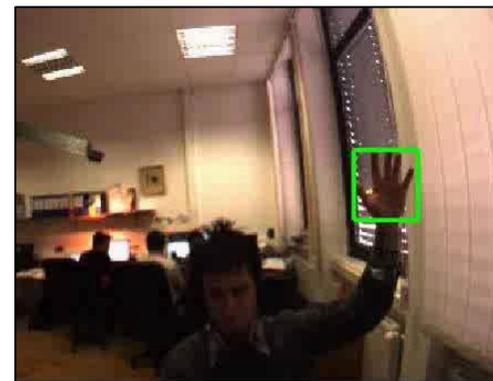


VOT2014 dataset – frame annotation

- **Example: Object motion**

Attributes appearing in sequence:

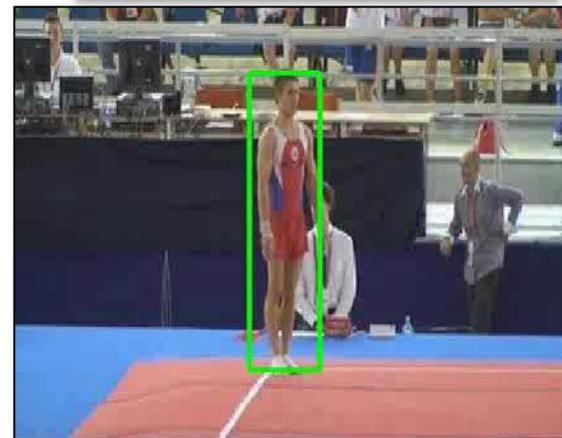
Motion change, size change



- **Example: Camera motion**

Attributes appearing in sequence:

Camera motion, object motion, size change



- **Example: Size change**

Attributes appearing in sequence:

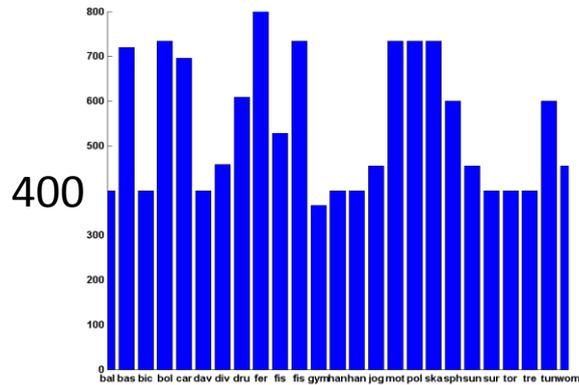
Camera motion, illumination change, motion change, size change



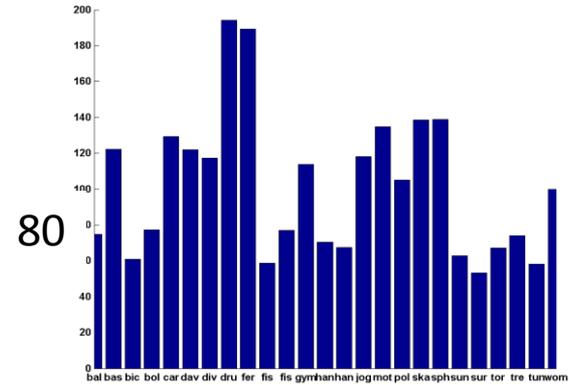
VOT2014 dataset – general stats

- 25 color sequences:

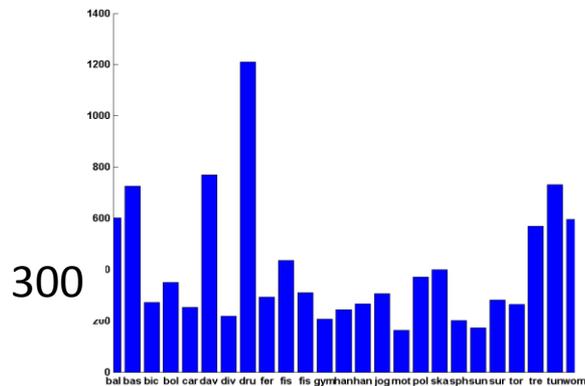
Diagonals of images



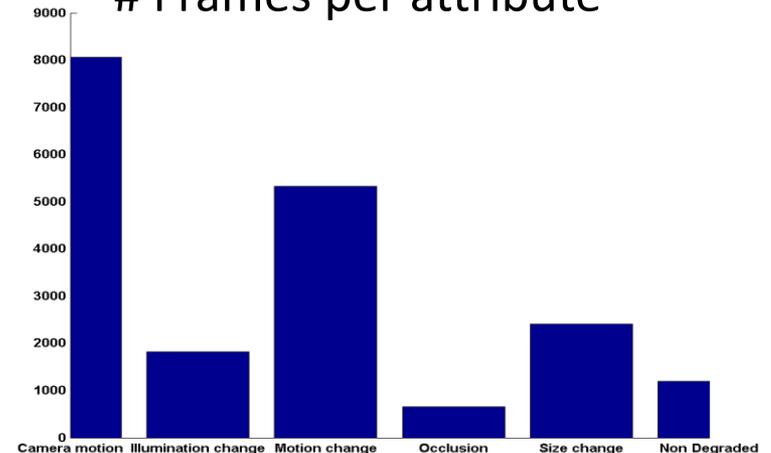
Object bounding box diagonals



Sequence length distribution



Frames per attribute



EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

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Performance measures

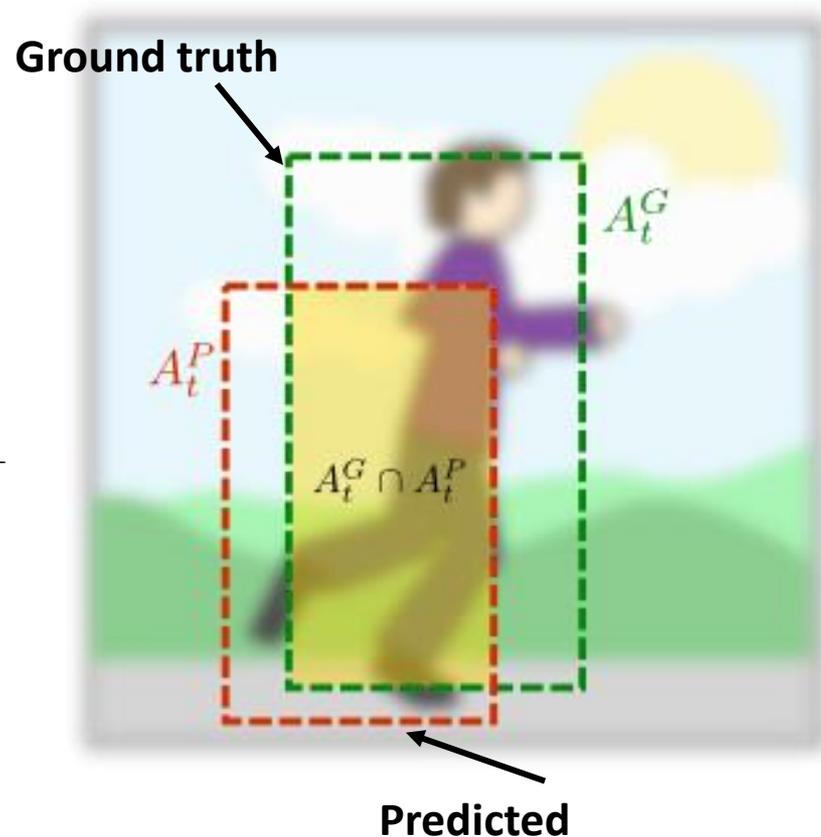
- **Target localization** properties measured using the VOT2013 methodology.
- Approach in VOT2013:
 - **Interpretability** of performance measures
 - **Select as few** as possible to provide clear comparison
- Based on a recent study¹ **two basic weakly-correlated measures** are chosen:
 - Accuracy
 - Robustness

¹Čehovin, Kristan, and Leonardis, [“Is my new tracker really better than yours?”](#), WACV2014

VOT2014 measures: Accuracy

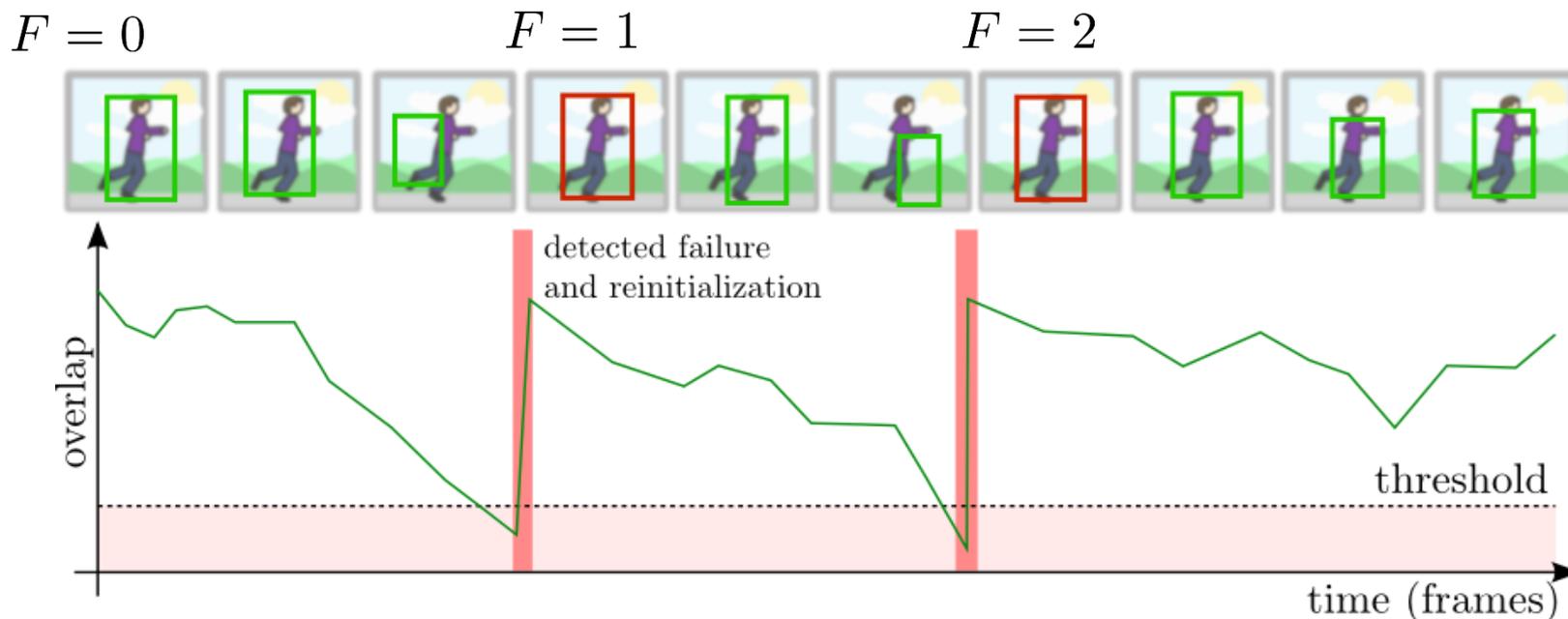
- Overlap between the **ground-truth** BB and the BB, predicted by a tracker

$$\Phi(\Lambda_G, \Lambda_P) = \left\{ \frac{A_t^G \cap A_t^P}{A_t^G \cup A_t^P} \right\}_{t=1}^N$$



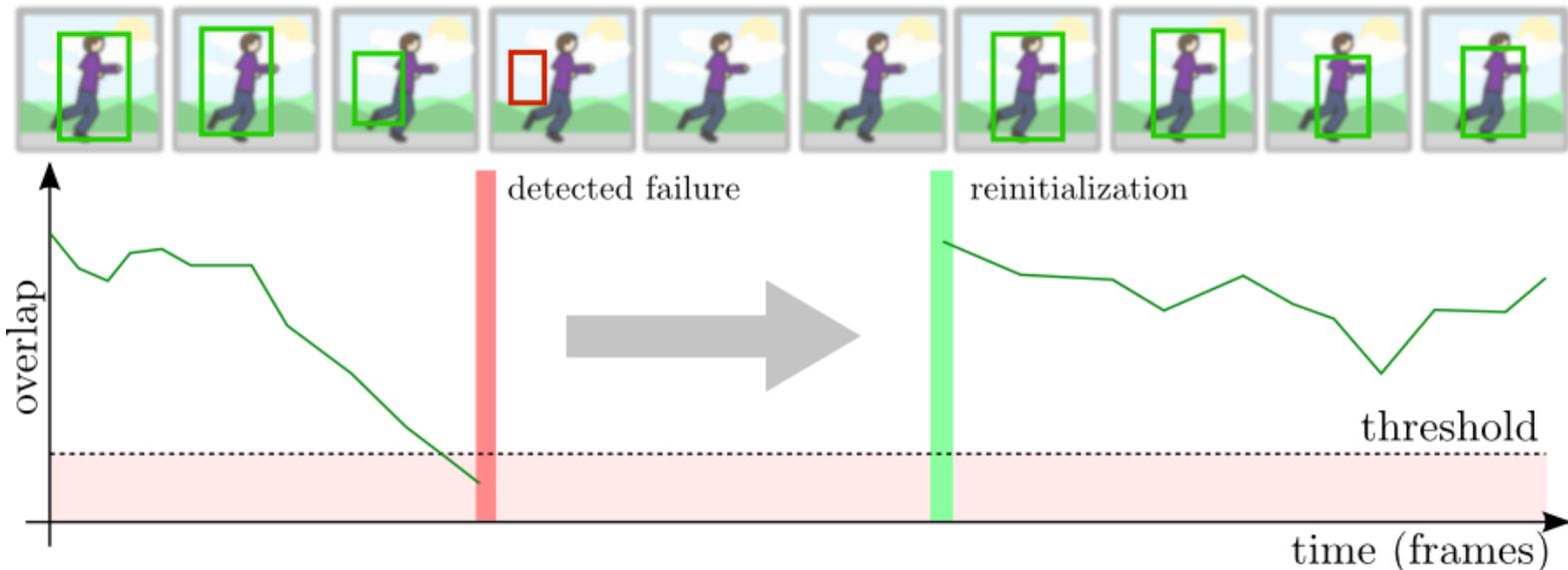
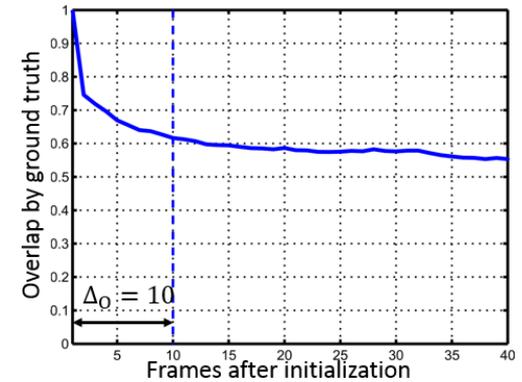
VOT2014 measures: Robustness

- Counts the number of times the tracker failed and had to be reinitialized
- Failure detected when the overlap $\Phi(\Lambda_G, \Lambda_P)$ drops below a threshold



VOT2014 measures: Reinitialization

- If a tracker fails in one frame it **will likely fail again** if reinitialized in the next frame.
- To **avoid this correlation** we reinitialize the tracker $\Delta_F = 5$ frames after the failure.
- $\Delta_O = 10$ frames after initialization ignored in accuracy computation to **reduce bias in accuracy**.



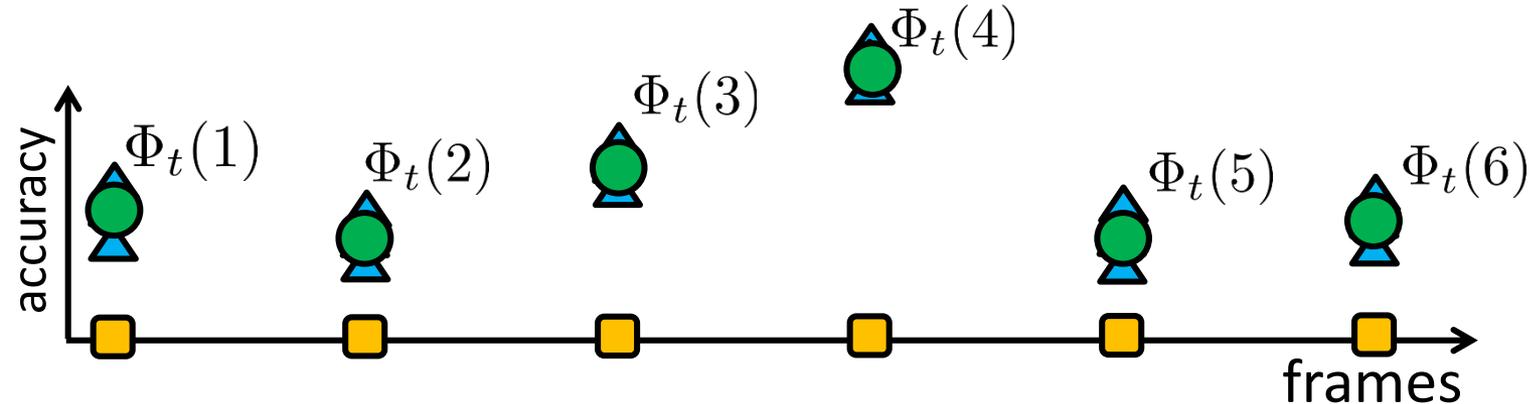
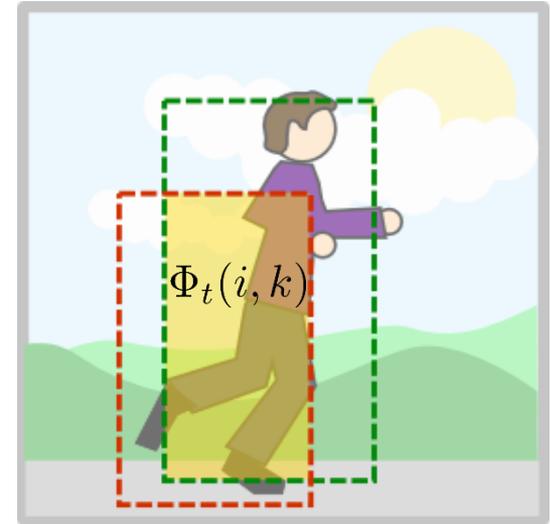
VOT2014 measures: Multiple runs

- Measures averaged over **multiple runs**

$\Phi_t(i, k)$... accuracy of i -th tracker
at frame t at repetition k .

- Per-frame averaged accuracy**

$$\Phi_t(i) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{rep}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{rep}}} \Phi_t(i, k)$$



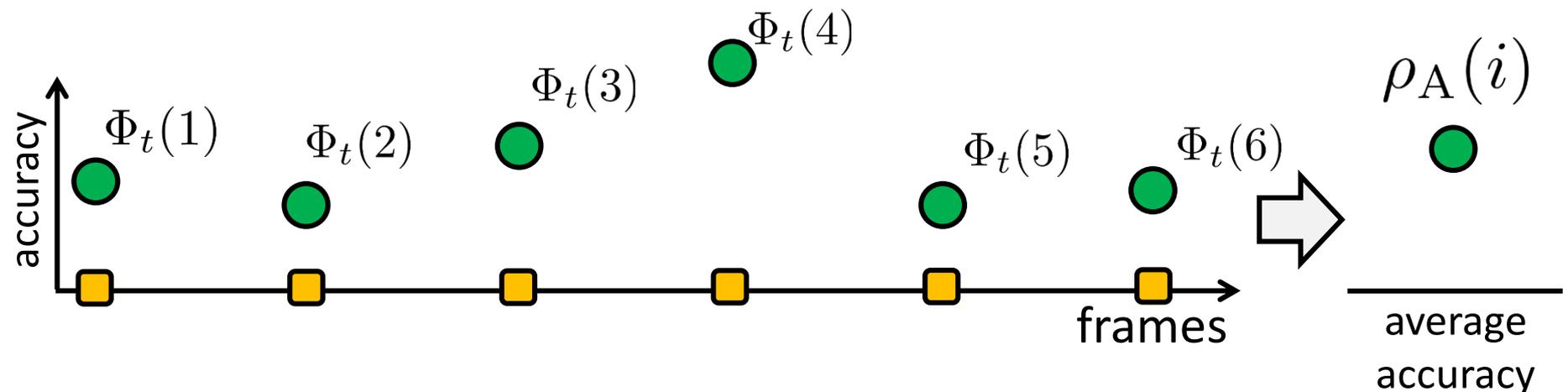
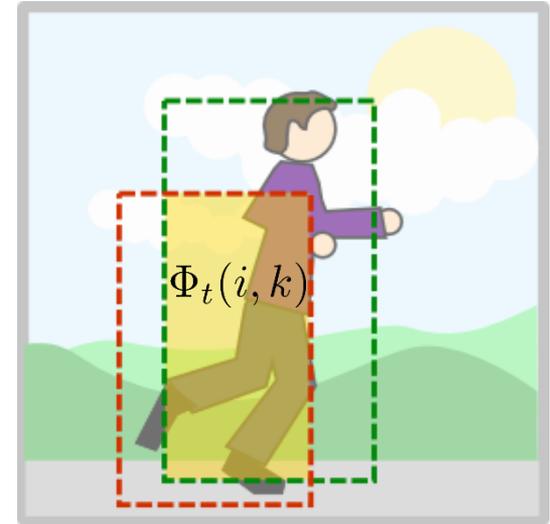
VOT2014 measures: Multiple runs

- Average accuracy at frame t

$$\Phi_t(i) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{rep}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{rep}}} \Phi_t(i, k)$$

- Average accuracy over sequence

$$\rho_A(i) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{valid}}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\text{valid}}} \Phi_j(i)$$



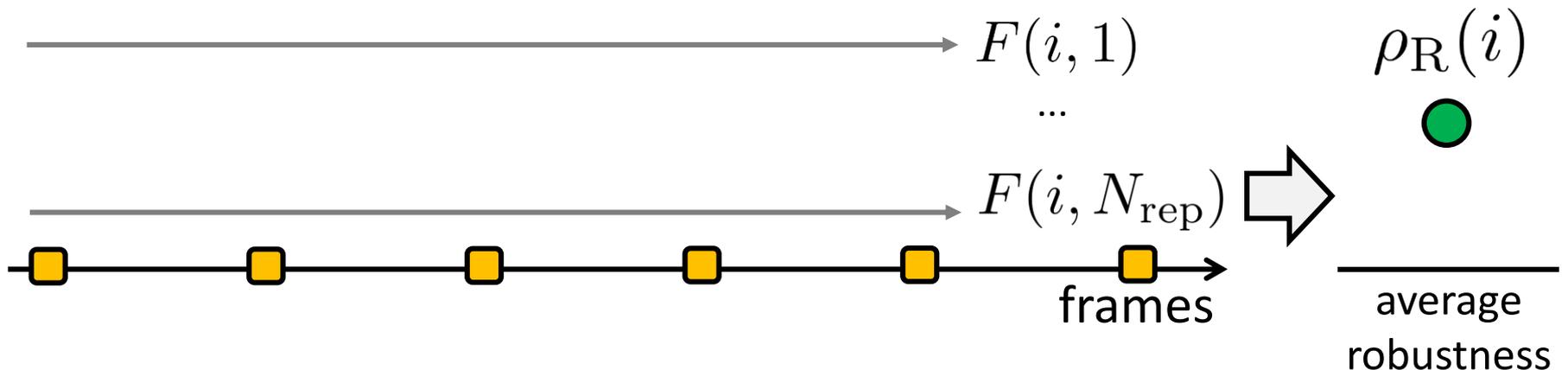
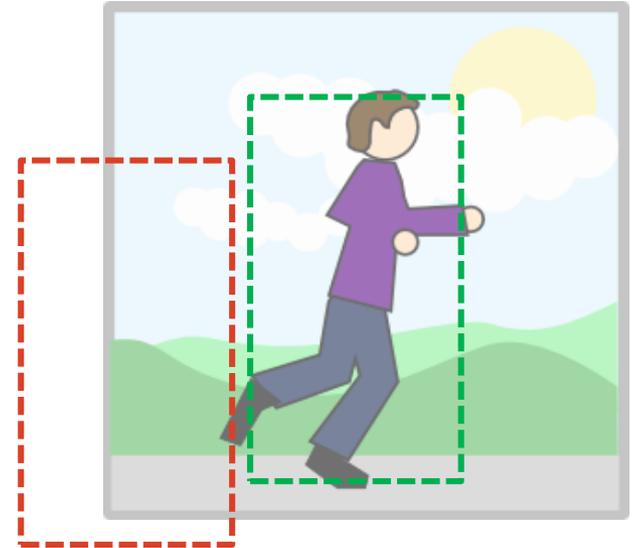
VOT2014 measures: Multiple runs

- Multiple measurements of **robustness** (#failures)

$F(i, k)$... number of failures of i -th tracker at repetition k .

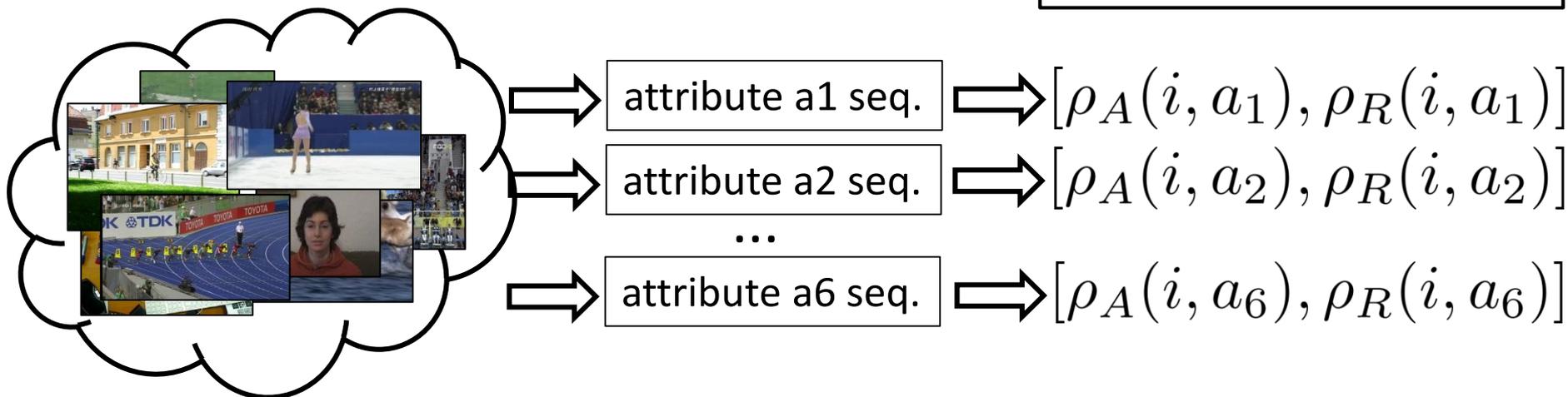
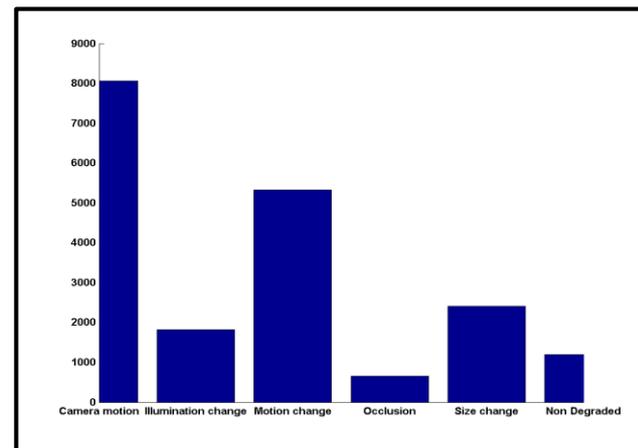
- Average robustness per sequence**

$$\rho_R(i) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{rep}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{rep}}} F(i, k)$$



VOT2014 measures : Attribute weighting

- **Attribute subset:** In all sequences consider only frames that correspond to a **particular attribute**.
- Compute the **average performance measures** ρ_A, ρ_R for **each attribute subset**.



Primary performance measure: overall rank $r(\cdot)$

1. Rank trackers for accuracy and robustness separately on each attribute subset.

$r(i, a, m)$... rank of a tracker i on attribute subset a , evaluated for performance measure m .

2. Average ranking over the attributes

$$r(i, m) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{att}}} \sum_{a=1}^{N_{\text{att}}} r(i, a, m)$$

3. Giving equal weight to each performance measure we average the two corresponding rankings

$$r(i) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m \in \{A, R\}} r(i, m)$$

Tracker rank equality

- Several trackers may perform equally well and should be assigned an equal rank

Tracker i	T_1	T_2	T_3	T_4
$\tilde{r}(i, a_1, A)$	1	2	3	4

do not perform equally well

perform equally well

perform equally well

- Modify the ranks by averaging ranks of equivalent trackers

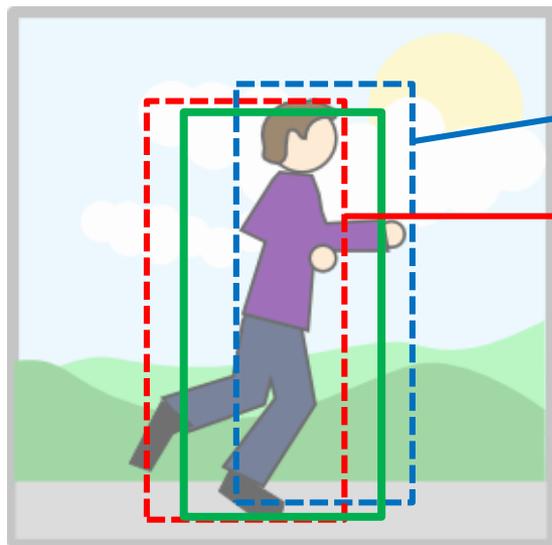
Tracker i	T_1	T_2	T_3	T_4
$r(i, a_1, A)$	1.5	2	2.5	4

- Tests of equality separately for accuracy and robustness

Statistical tests of differences

- VOT2013 introduced **tests of statistical significance** of differences in tracking performance.
(Details in [Kristan, 2013])
- Robustness
 - A **single robustness measurement** per experiment repetition
 - Apply unpaired Wilcoxon Rank-Sum test (Mann-Whitney U-test)
- Accuracy
 - **Per-frame measure** available for each tracker.
 - Paired Wilcoxon signed-rank test as in [Demšar IJMLR2006]

Accuracy: Practical equivalence



$$\phi_t(i) \begin{matrix} \geq \\ \equiv \\ < \end{matrix} \phi_t(j)$$

Ground truth ambiguity:

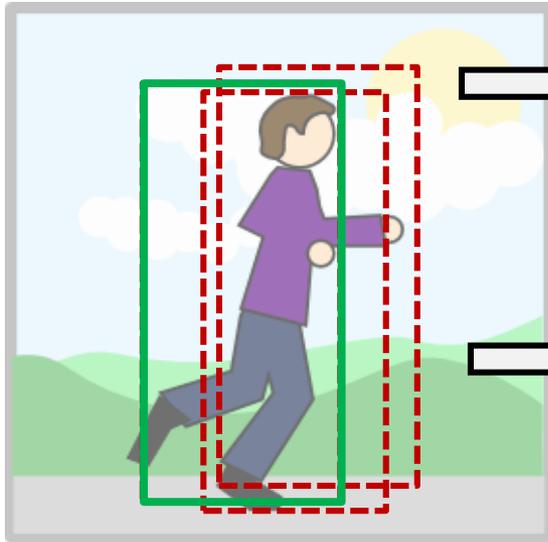
- Noise in annotation
- Multiple ground truth annotations equally valid

- Practical difference:
“Level of difference that is considered negligibly small”
- A pair of trackers is considered to perform equally well in accuracy if it fails either (1) statistical difference test or (2) practical difference test.

Estimation of practical difference thresholds

- Consider per-frame estimation:

Selected frame

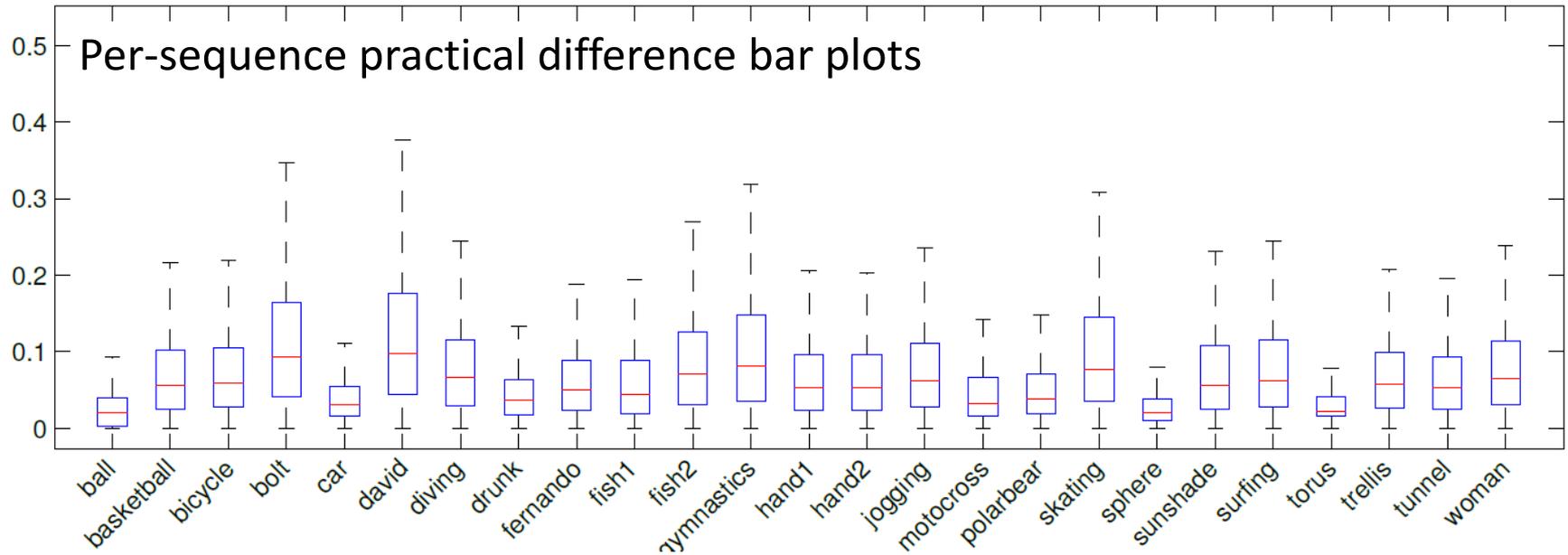


Consider one bounding box a GT and compute $N-1$ overlaps.

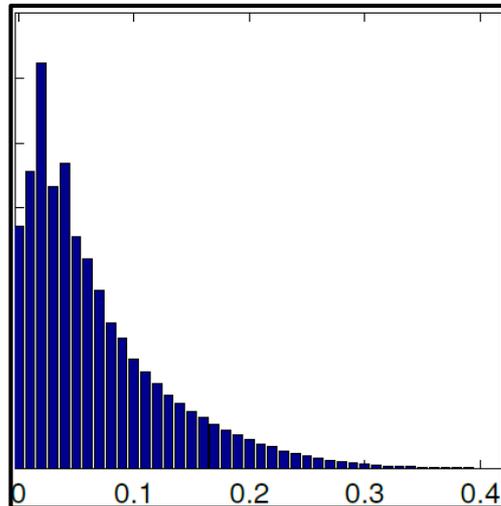
Cycling over all bounding boxes increases then number of overlaps to $\frac{1}{2}N((N-1)^2 - N + 1)$

- Have J experts place BB K -times $\rightarrow N=J \times K$ bounding boxes
- Collect overlaps over 4 frames per sequence.
- All overlaps are examples of negligibly small difference
- Average can be taken as the threshold γ .

Estimation of practical difference thresholds



Distribution from all sequences

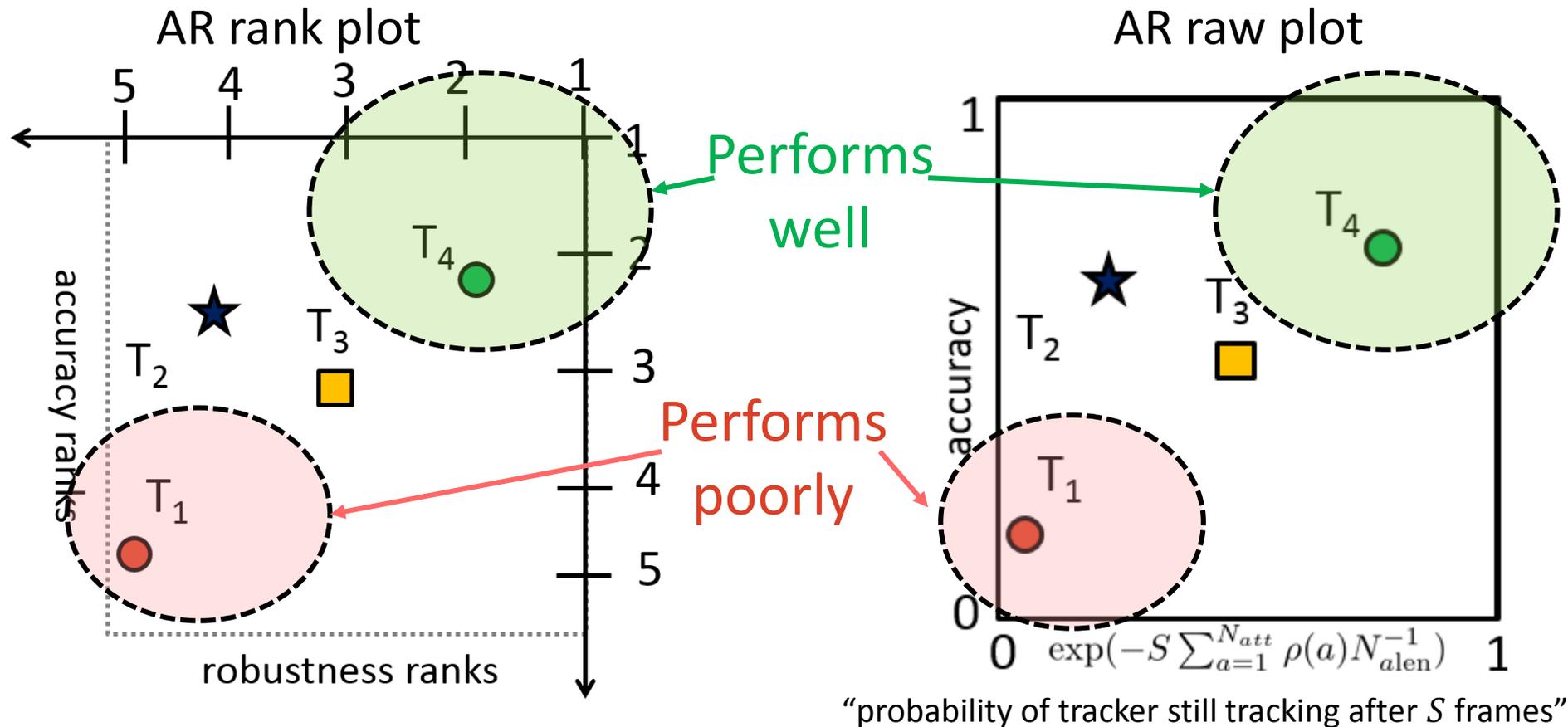


Examples of expert annotations



Visualizing the accuracy/robustness

- AR rank plots as proposed in VOT2013
- AR raw plots as proposed by [Čehovin et al. 2014]



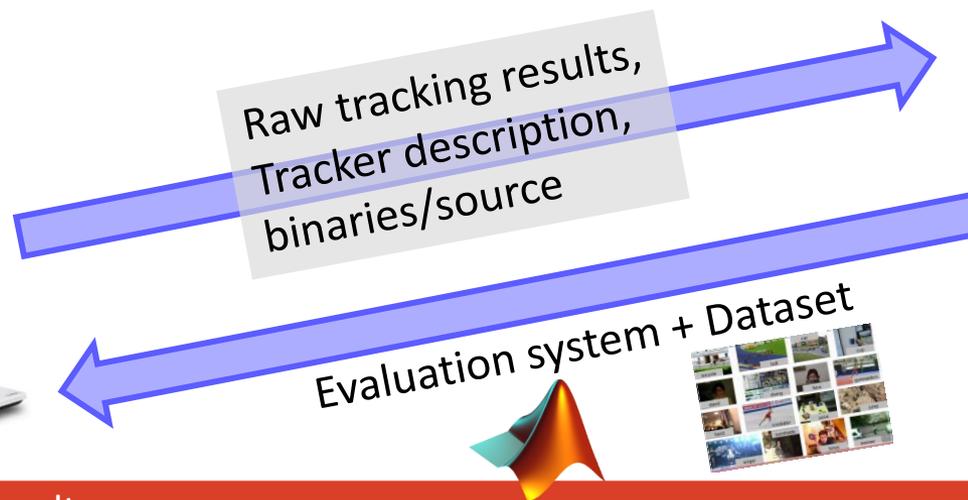
“probability of tracker still tracking after S frames”

CHALLENGE PARTICIPATION AND SUBMITTED TRACKERS

VOT2014 Challenge: participation

- Participants would **download the evaluation kit**:
 - Evaluation system + Dataset
- **Integrate** their tracker into the evaluation system
- Predefined set of **experiments automatically performed** – submit the results back
- Required to submit binaries/source
- Required to outperform a NCC tracker

Participant



VOT2013 Page

38 trackers tested!

33 entries from various authors + 5 baselines from VOT2014 committee = 38 trackers.

ABS	Possegger et al.	VOT 2014
ACAT	Qin et al.	CVPR 2014
ACT	Danelljan et al.	CVPR 2014
aStruck	Lukezic et al.	VOT 2014
BDF	Mareska et al.	VOT 2014
CMT	Nebehay et al.	VOT 2014
CT	Zhang et al.	ECCV2012
DGT	Wen et al.	ACCV 2012
DSST	Danelljan et al.	BMVC2014
DynMS	Oven et al.	VOT 2014
eASMS	Vojir et al.	VOT 2014
EDFT	Felsberg	VOT 2013
MCT	Duffner et al.	VOT 2014
FoT	Vojir et al.	CVWW2011
FRT	Adam et al.	CVPR2006
SAMF	Li and Zhu	VOT 2014
SIR	Pangersic	VOT 2014
VTDMG	Moo Yi et al.	IVCNZ 2012

FSDT	Li et al.	VOT 2014
HMM-TxD	Vojir et al.	VOT 2014
IIVTv2	Moo Yi et al.	ICCV 2013
IPRT	Choi	VOT 2014
IMPNCC	Dimitriev	VOT 2014
IVT	Ross et al.	IJCV2008
KCF	Henriques et al.	TPAMI 2014
LGT	Cehovin et al.	VOT 2014
LT-FLO	Lebeda et al.	ACCV 2012
MatFlow	Mareska et al.	VOT 2014
Matrioska	Mareska et al.	ICIAP 2013
MIL	Babenko et al.	TPAMI2011
OGT	Nam et al.	VOT 2014
PLT13	Heng et al.	VOT 2013
PLT14	Heng et al.	VOT 2014
PT+	Duffner et al.	VOT 2014
qwsEDFT	Öfjäll et al.	VOT 2014
Struck	Hare et al.	ICCV 2011
TStruck	Hare et al.	VOT 2014

Tested trackers: rough categorization

Very **diverse set** of entries:

- **Keypoint-based**
(CMT, IIVTv2, Matrioska, MatFlow)
- **General part-based**
(LT-FLO, PT+, LGT, OGT, DGT, ABS)
- **Global generative-model-based**
(EDFT, qwsEDFT, VTDGM, aSMS, IMPNCC, SIR-PF, IPRT, CT, IVT, HMM-TxD, DynMS)
- **Discriminative models – single part**
(MCT, MIL, FSdT)
- **Discriminative regression-based techniques**
(Struck, aStruck, ThunderStruck, PLT₁₃, PLT₁₄, KCF, ACT, DSST)
- **Combinations of multiple trackers**
(FoT, BDF, FRT, HMM-TxD, DynMS)

EXPERIMENTS AND RESULTS

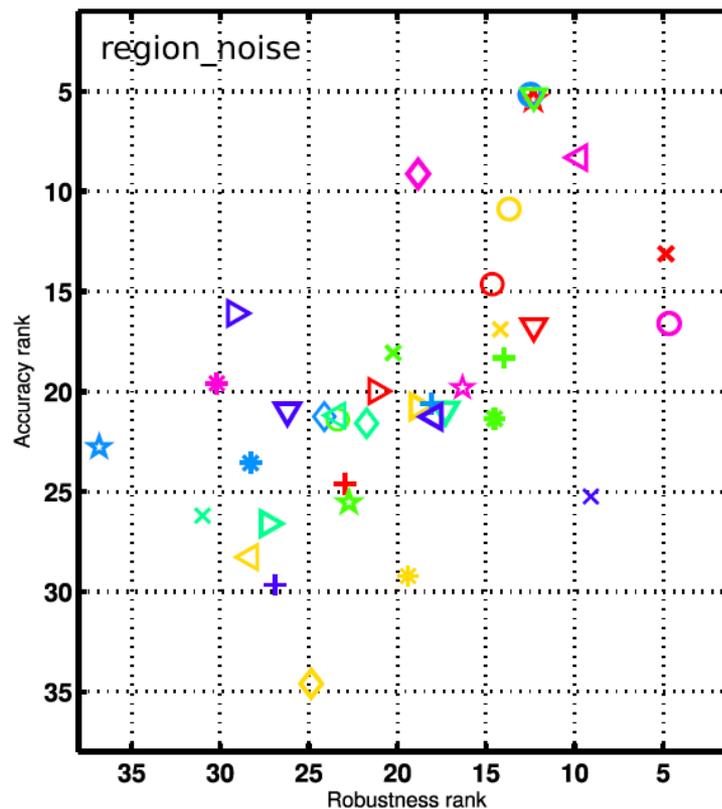
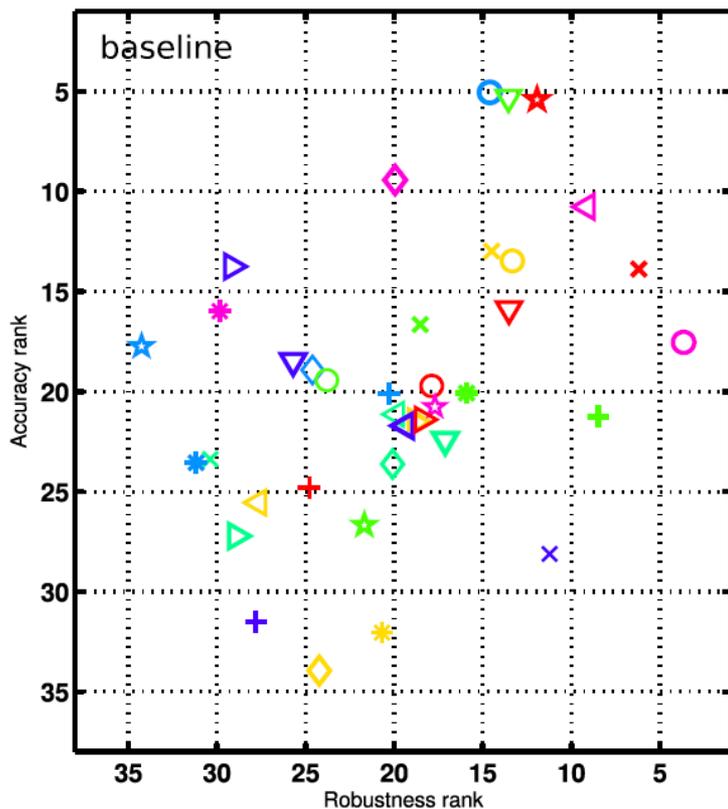
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VOT2014 Experiments

- Experiment 1– Baseline:
 - Initialization on ground truth BBs
- Experiment 2 – Noise:
 - Experiment 1 with **noisy initialization**
 - **Perturbations** in **position and size** by drawing uniformly from 10% of the bounding box size.
- Each tracker **run 15 times** on each sequence to obtain a better statistic on its performance.
- Reinitialization threshold was 0.

Results: Experiments 1, 2

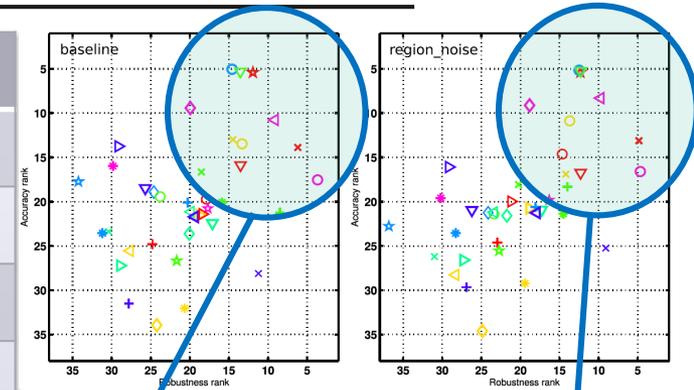
- Top-performing by averaging two experiments:
DSST, SAMF, KCF, DGT, PLT₁₄, PLT₁₃



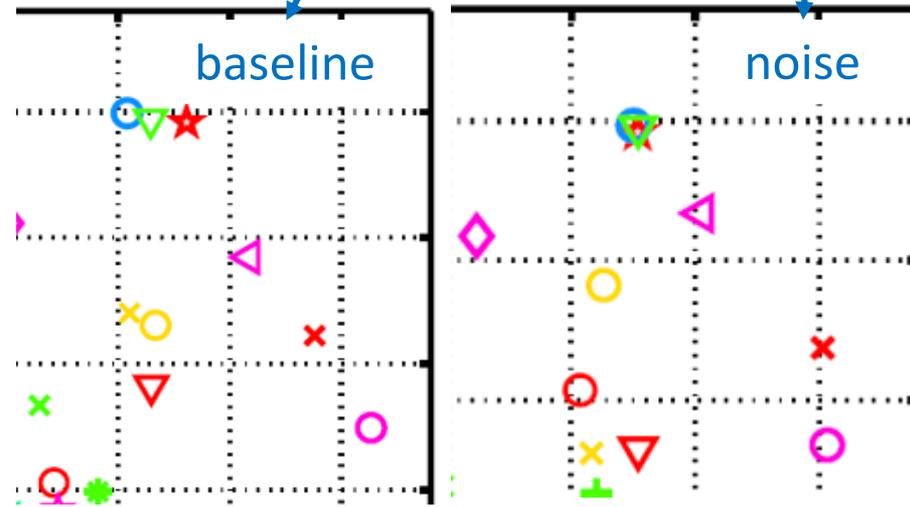
★	DSST*	8.77
▽	SAMF*	9.10
○	KCF*	9.33
◁	DGT	9.48
×	PLT ₁₄ *	9.51
○	PLT ₁₃	10.62
○	eASMS*	12.85
◇	HMM-TxD*	14.33
▽	MCT	14.61
×	ACAT	14.65
+	MatFlow	15.51
○	ABS	16.72
*	ACT	17.97
×	qwsEDFT	18.37
×	LGT*	18.42
*	VTDMG	18.65
▽	BDF	19.44
+	Struck	19.77
△	DynMS*	19.97
△	ThunderStruck	20.06
▽	aStruck*	20.24
△	Matrioska	21.40
◇	SIR-PF	21.76
○	EDFT	22.00
▽	OGT	22.04
▽	CMT*	22.23
▽	FoT*	22.84
*	LT-FLO	23.90
*	IPRT	24.16
+	IIVTv2	24.29
*	PT+	25.34
*	FSDT	26.65
△	IMPNCC	27.45
▽	IVT*	27.51
×	FRT*	27.74
*	NCC*	27.90
+	CT*	28.98
◇	MIL*	29.41

Results: Experiments 1, 2

Tracker	Features	Scale	Visual model
★ DSST*	HoG+intensity	Yes	Discr. correl. Filtr
▽ SAMF	HoG+colornames	Yes	Discr. correl. Filtr
○ KCF	HoG	Yes	Discr. correl. Filtr
△ DGT	Superpixels + color	Yes	Part-based
× PLT ₁₄	Color, intensity, derivs.	Yes	Discr. Regression
○ PLT ₁₃	Color, intensity, derivs.	No	Discr. Regression



- Tight cluster (DSST,SAMF,KCF)
- Not-so tight (PLT13,PLT14)
- DGT somewhere in the middle

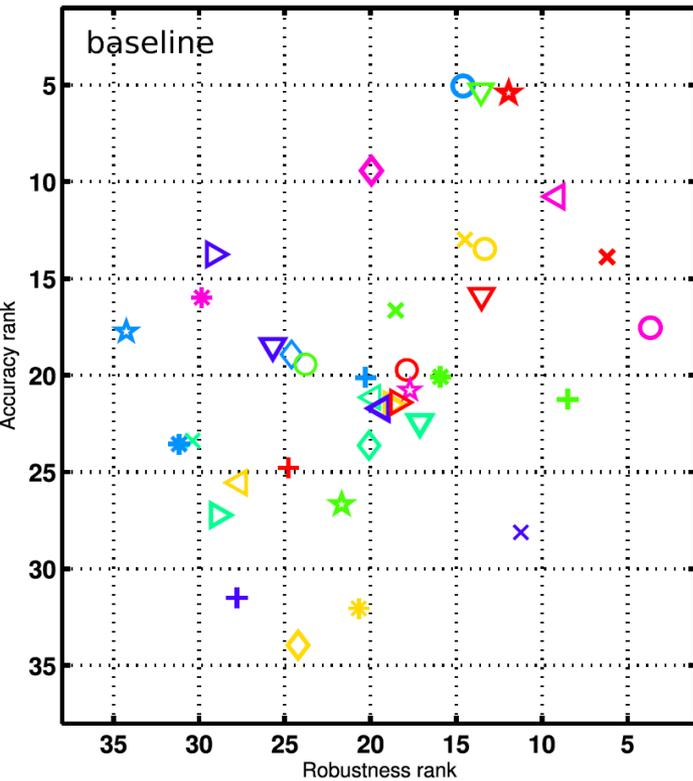


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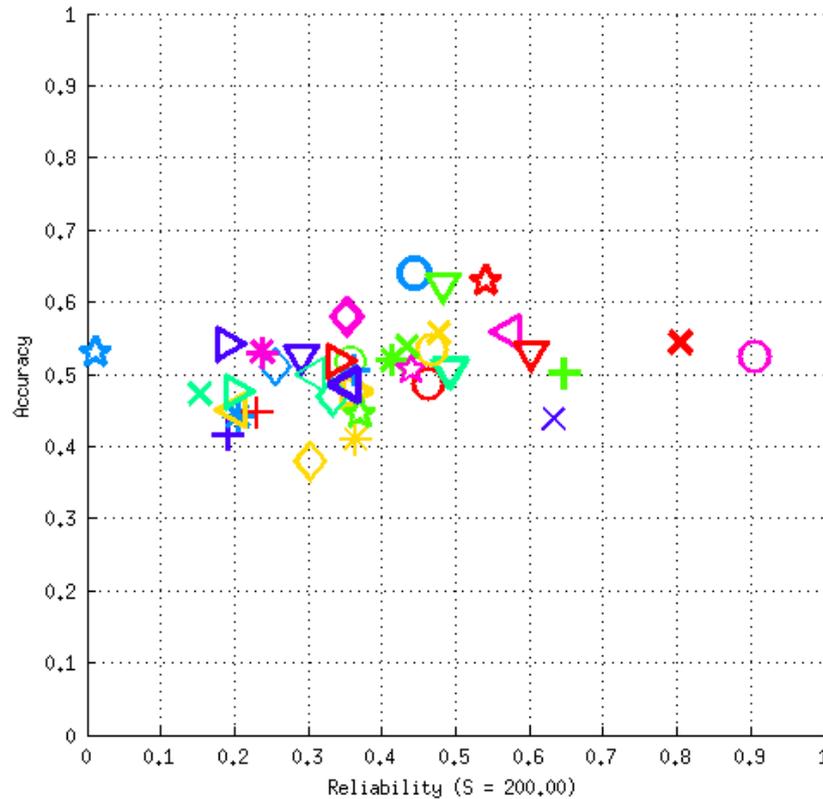
Results: Baseline experiment

- AR-rank plots vs raw AR plots

AR- rank plot



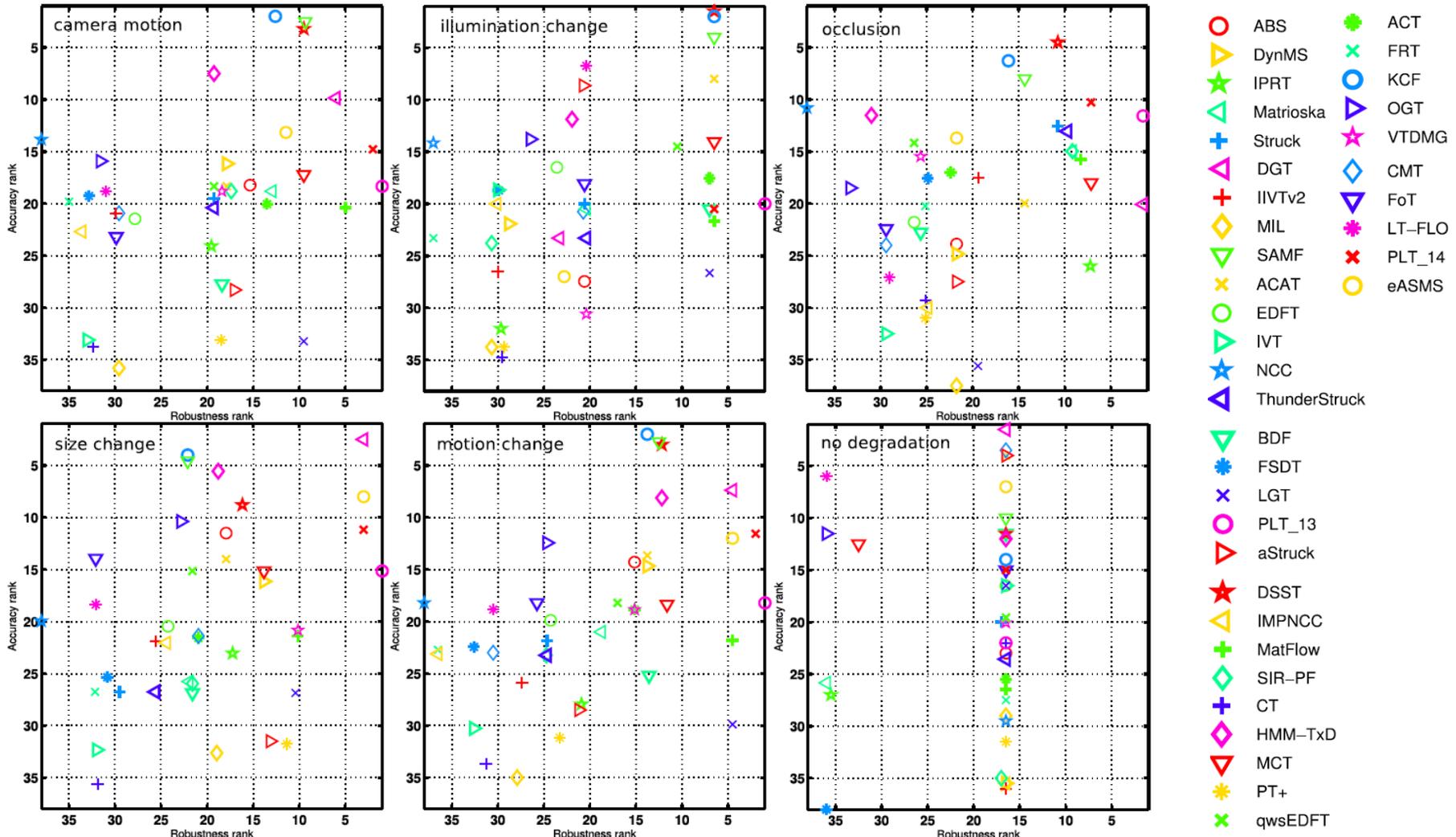
AR- raw plot
[Čehovin et al. 2014]



★	DSST*	8.77
▽	SAMF*	9.10
○	KCF*	9.33
△	DGT	9.48
×	PLT_14*	9.51
○	PLT_13	10.62
○	eASMS*	12.85
◇	HMM-TxD*	14.33
▽	MCT	14.61
×	ACAT	14.65
+	MatFlow	15.51
○	ABS	16.72
*	ACT	17.97
×	qwsEDFT	18.37
×	LGT*	18.42
*	VTDMG	18.65
▽	BDF	19.44
+	Struck	19.77
△	DynMS*	19.97
△	ThunderStruck	20.06
▽	aStruck*	20.24
△	Matrioska	21.40
◇	SIR-PF	21.76
○	EDFT	22.00
▽	OGT	22.04
▽	CMT*	22.23
▽	FoT*	22.84
*	LT-FLO	23.90
*	IPRT	24.16
+	IIVTv2	24.29
*	PT+	25.34
*	FSDT	26.65
△	IMPNCC	27.45
▽	IVT*	27.51
×	FRT*	27.74
★	NCC*	27.90
+	CT*	28.98
◇	MIL*	29.41

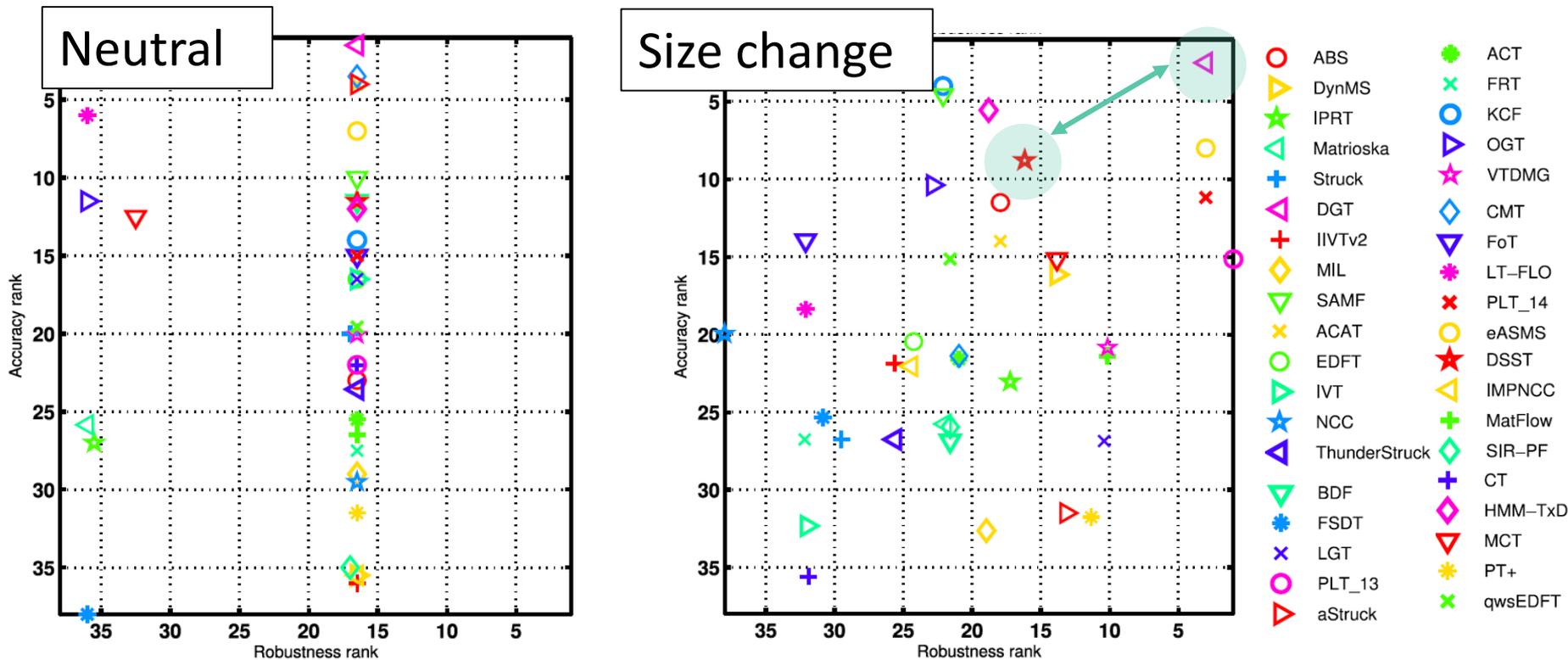
Performance w.r.t. attributes (Ex1)

- Average top-performing remain at the top, but...



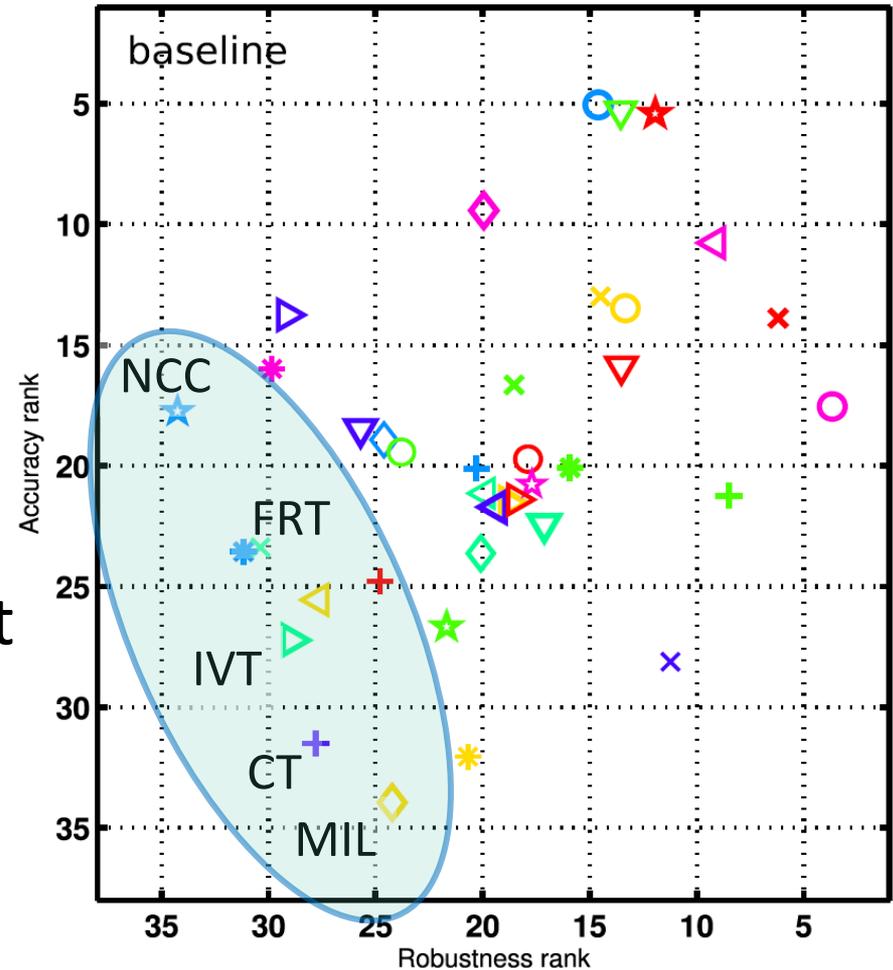
Performance w.r.t. attributes (Ex1)

- No degradation:
 - Most trackers equally robust, the difference only in accuracy (top **DGT**)
- Size change:
 - Significant switch in places (**DGT** and **DSST**)



VOT2014 trackers competitive

- Trackers that are often used as baseline SOTA: FRT, IVT, CT, MIL
- These occupy bottom-left part of AR rank plot.
- Same distribution apparent in noise experiment.
- Conclusion:
Most tracker submitted to VOT2014 are competitive.



Tracking speed

- Fastest trackers:
 - FoT (C++) ~114 EFO
 - PLT₁₃ (C++) ~75 EFO
- These were also the fastest in the VOT2013 challenge.
- For reference:
 - Type of tracker: NCC
 - Implementation: C++
 - Processor: Intel Core i5
 - Measured speed: 220 fps
 - EFO units: ~80 EFO

	Speed	Impl.
DSST*	7.66	Matlab & Mex
SAMF*	1.69	Matlab & Mex
KCF*	24.23	Matlab & Mex
DGT	0.23	C++
PLT_14*	62.68	C++
PLT_13	75.92	C++
eASMS*	13.08	C++
HMM-TxD*	2.08	C++
MCT	1.45	C, C++
ACAT	3.24	unknown
MatFlow	19.08	C++
ABS	0.62	Matlab & Mex
ACT	18.26	Matlab
qwsEDFT	3.88	Matlab
LGT*	1.23	Matlab & Mex
VTDMG	1.83	C++
BDF	46.82	C++
Struck	5.95	C++
DynMS*	3.21	Matlab & Mex
ThunderStruck	19.05	C++
aStruck*	3.58	C++
Matrioska	10.20	unknown
SIR-PF	2.55	Matlab & Mex
EDFT	4.18	Matlab
OGT	0.39	unknown
CMT*	2.51	Python, C++
FoT*	114.64	C++
LT-FLO	1.10	Matlab
IPRT	14.69	C, C++
IIVTv2	3.67	C++
PT+	49.89	C++
FSDT	1.47	C++
IMPNCC	8.37	Matlab
IVT*	2.35	Matlab & Mex
FRT*	3.09	C++
NCC*	6.88	Matlab
CT*	6.29	C++
MIL*	1.94	C++

Additional VOT2014 experiments

- Performed 2 variations of the Experiment 1 with six of the top-performing trackers (DSST, KCF, SAMF, PLT14, eASMS, HMMTxD)

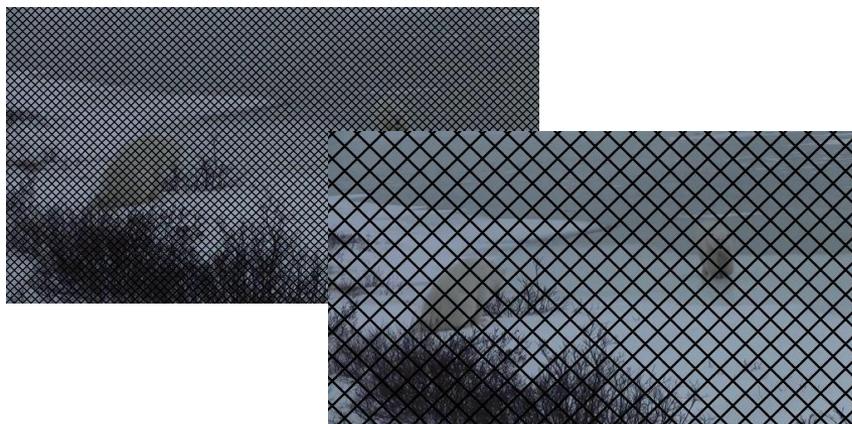
1. Sensitivity to object size:

- Resize images by factor 0.5x, 0.25x, 0.125x.



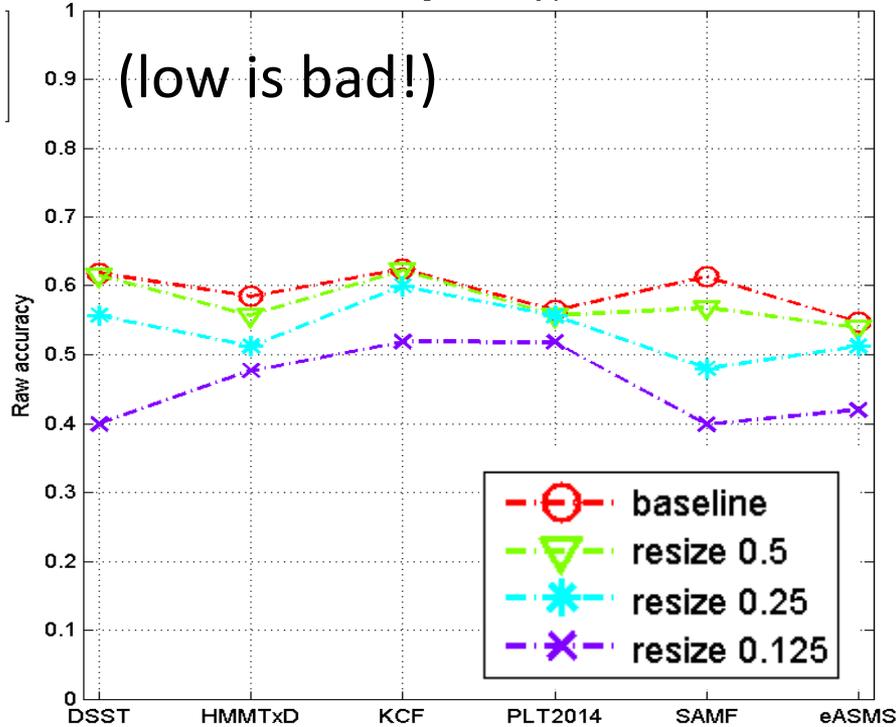
2. Sensitivity to occlusion:

- Place artificial static occluders in frames.

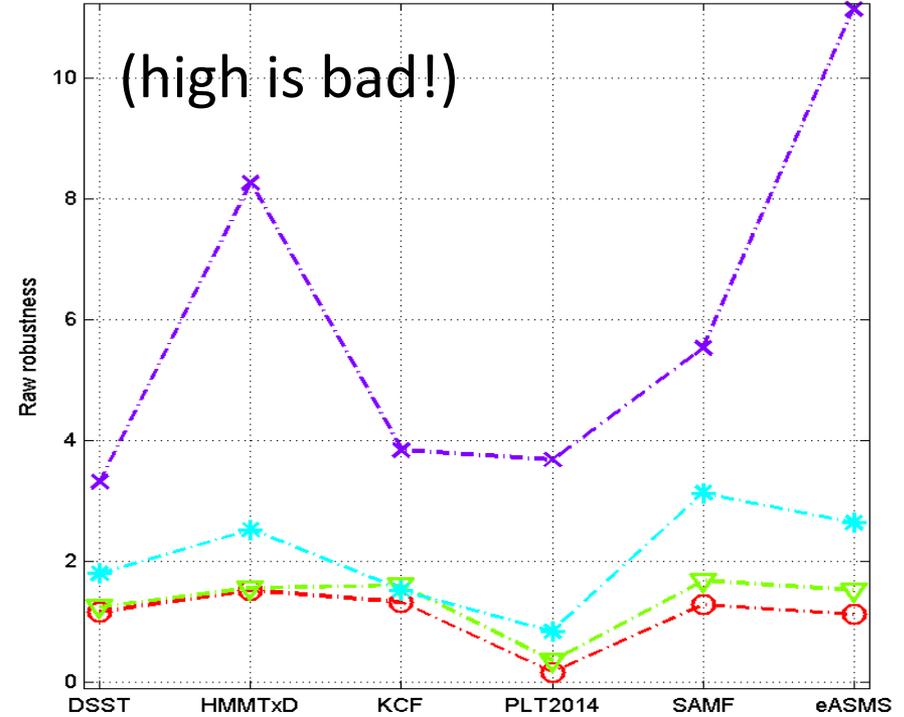


Resize experiment

Average accuracy plot

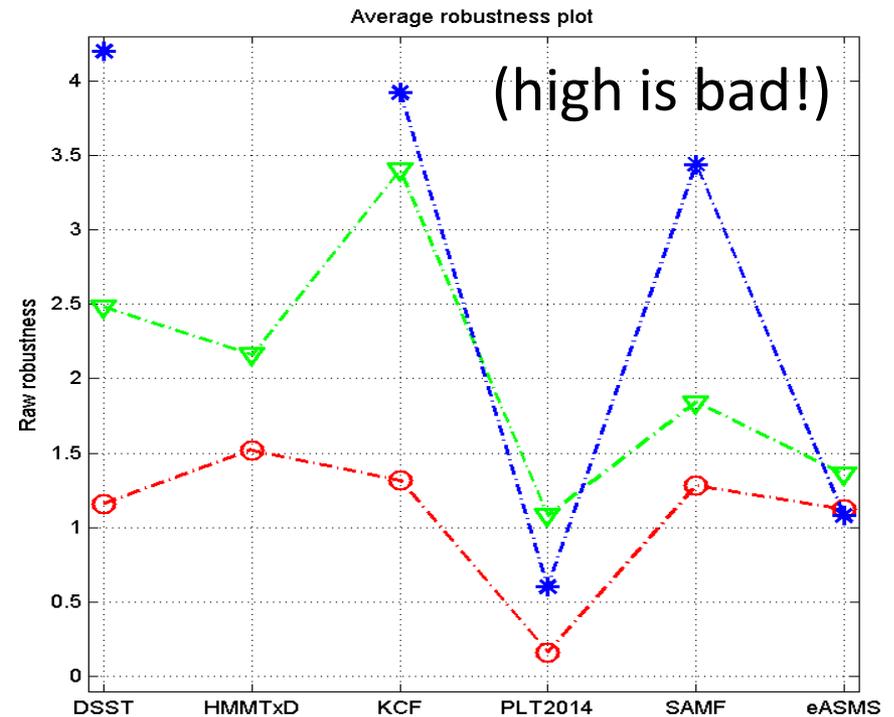
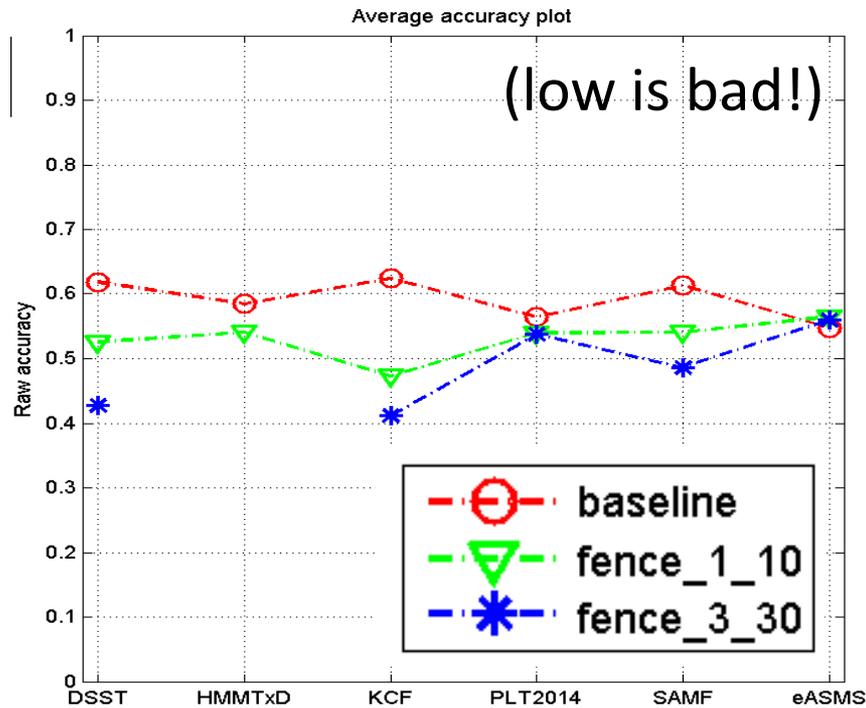


Average robustness plot



- PLT14 accuracy/robustness stable across scales
- Biggest drop for extreme resize (8x)

Occluder experiment

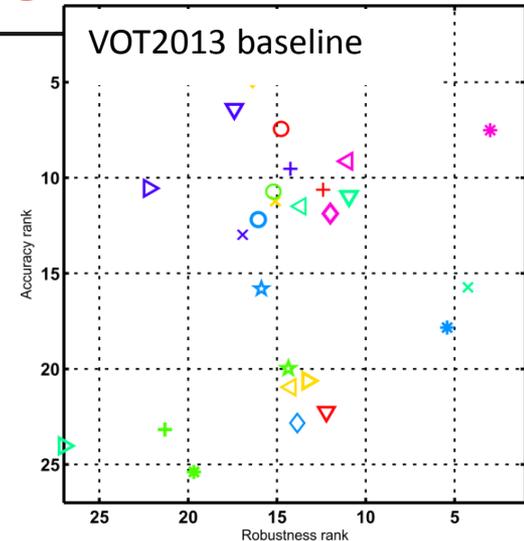


- PLT & eASMS least affected by the occluder
- Most significant drop in performance for correlation-based trackers (top three in VOT2014)

VOT2014 trackers on VOT2013

“Where in the VOT2013 AR plots are the top VOT2014 trackers positioned?”

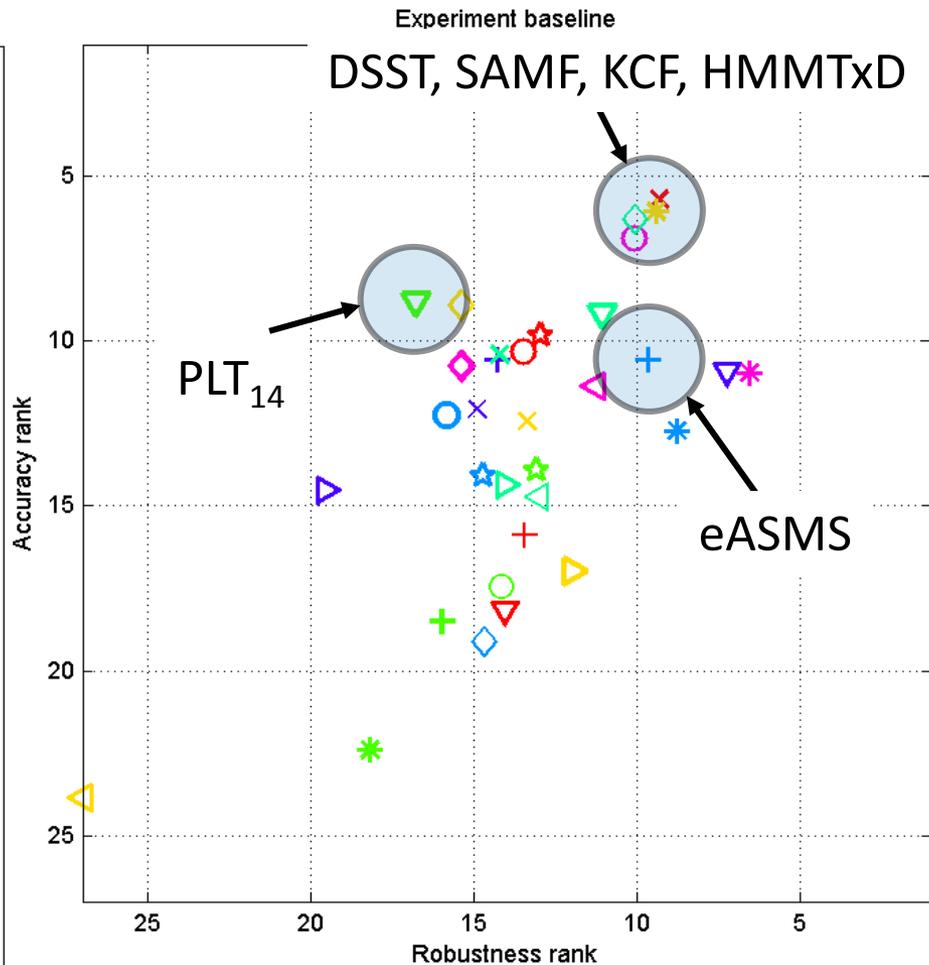
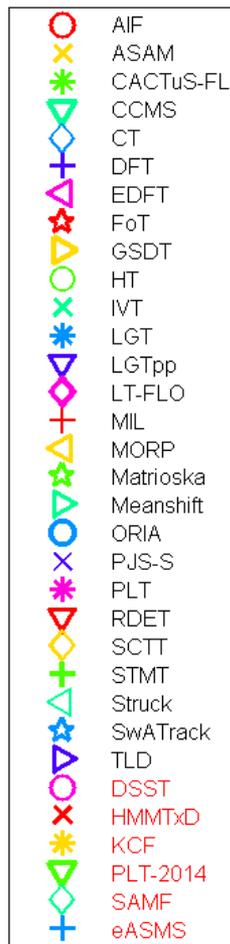
- Approach:
 - Keep the rank positions of the VOT2013 trackers unchanged
 - Allow direct comparison to the VOT2013 AR rank plot
- If tracker performs better than best tracker, it gets rank 0.5
- If tracker performs better than T1, but poorer than T2, it gets the middle rank



VOT2014 trackers on VOT2013

- Trackers DSST, HMMTxD, KCF, PLT14, SAMF, eASMS positioned in VOT2013:

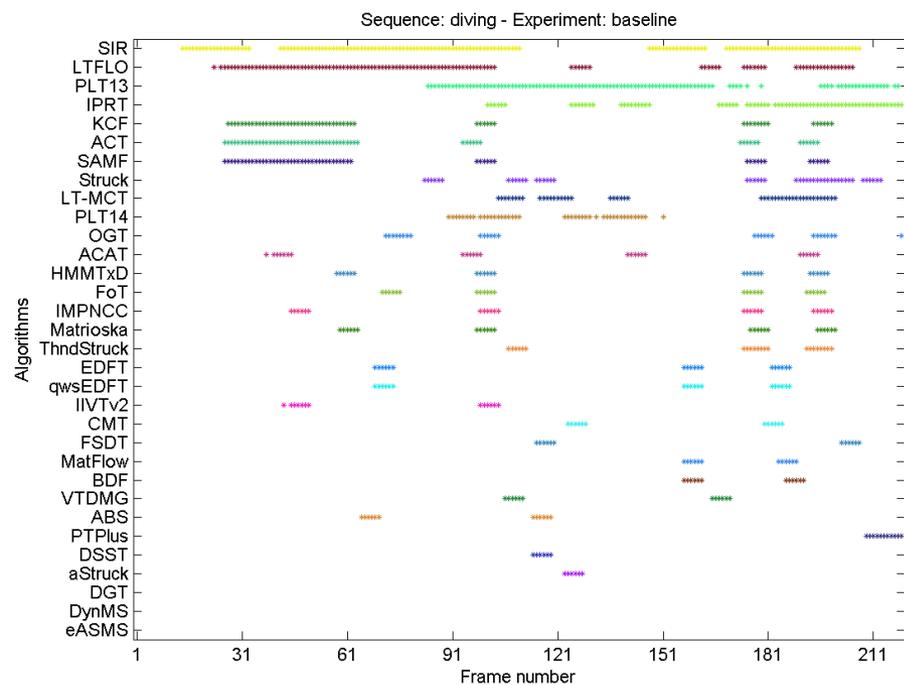
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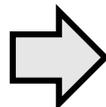
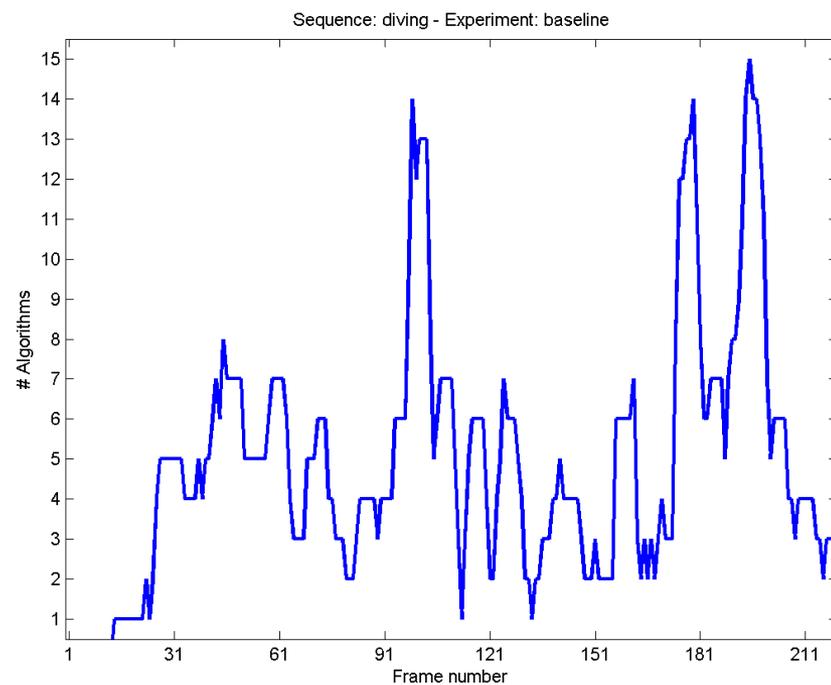
Sequence ranking

- For each sequence calculated how many **times each tracker failed** at least once in each frame

Failure frames for diving



How many trackers fail per frame?



Sequence ranking

- **Challenging:** motocross, hand2, diving, fish2, bolt
- **Intermediate:** hand1, fish1, fernando, gymnastics, torus, Skating
- **Easiest:** Surfing, polarbear

Sequence	Baseline (Avg)
motocross	5,92
hand2	5,65
diving	4,85
fish2	4,59
bolt	4,14
hand1	3,23
fish1	2,94
fernando	2,78
gymnastics	2,59
torus	2,26
skating	2,12
trellis	1,58
basketball	1,43
tunnel	1,27
sunshade	1,24
jogging	1,12
woman	1,05
bicycle	0,75
david	0,60
ball	0,47
sphere	0,41
car	0,25
drunk	0,11
surfing	0,04
polarbear	0,00

Sequence ranking: Challenging

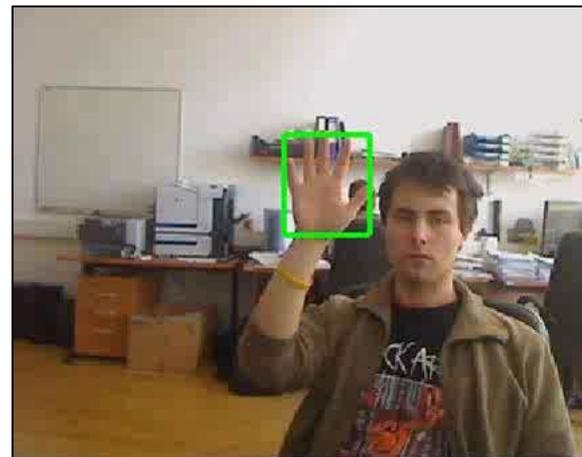
motocross

(camera and object motion + size change)



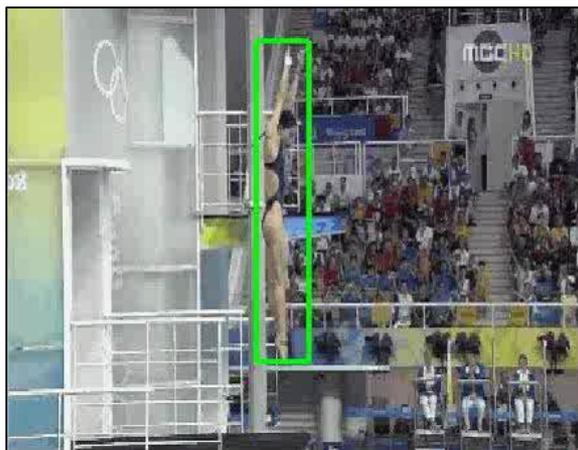
hand2

(object motion and size change)



diving

(camera motion at the end, size change)



bolt

(camera motion, object motion)



- motocross
- hand2
- diving
- fish2
- bolt
- hand1
- fish1
- fernando
- gymnastics
- torus
- skating
- trellis
- basketball
- tunnel
- sunshade
- jogging
- woman
- bicycle
- david
- ball
- sphere
- car
- drunk
- surfing
- polarbear

Sequence ranking: Less challenging

ball

(camera and object motion)



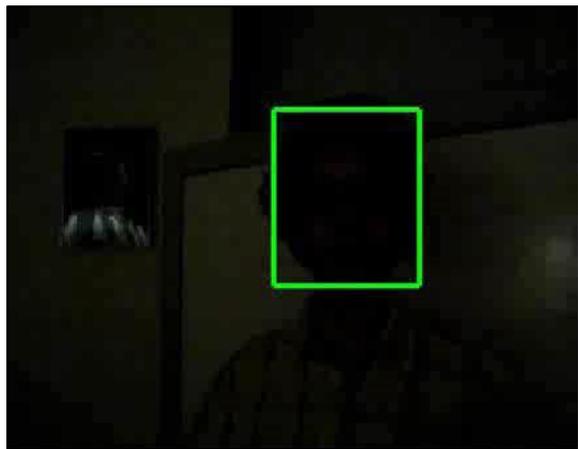
drunk

(artifacts)



david

(camera motion, illumination)



surfing

(camera motion, object motion)

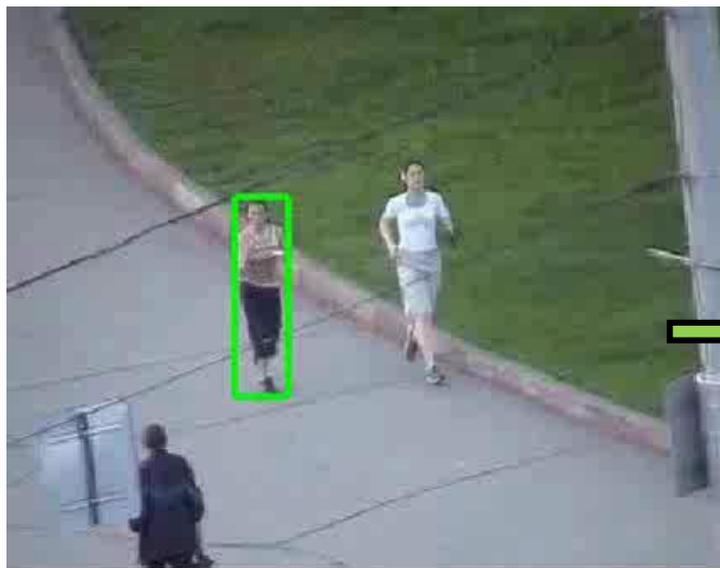
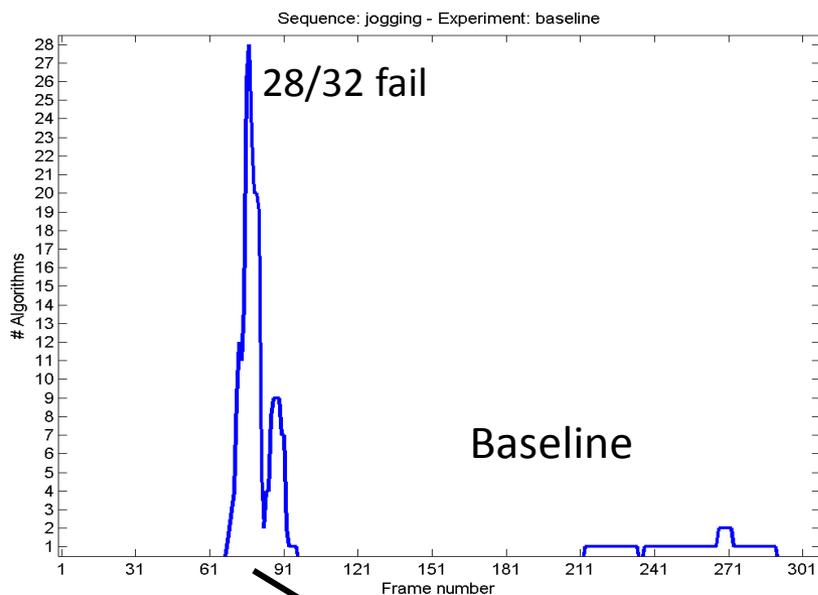


motocross
hand2
diving
fish2
bolt
hand1
fish1
fernando
gymnastics
torus
skating
trellis
basketball
tunnel
sunshade
jogging
woman
bicycle
david
ball
sphere
car
drunk
surfing
polarbear

Sequence ranking: Locality

- Jogging: on average not challenging, but very challenging at particular frame span where almost all trackers fail

Less challenging: Jogging



Assumed cause: Occlusion!

- **Locality**: a sequence may be challenging only locally

motocross
hand2
diving
fish2
bolt
hand1
fish1
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gymnastics
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VOT Summary: Results

- None of the trackers consistently outperformed all others by all measures
- The top-performing trackers included single-patch-based as well as part-based trackers.
- Robustness best for discriminative trackers, e.g., PLT_{13}
- Best tradeoff in accuracy and robustness achieved by correlation-based trackers
- Top VOT2014 trackers also top performing on VOT2013!

The VOT2014 online resources

Available at: <http://www.votchallenge.net/vot2014>

- This presentation and all papers
- Source code/binaries of some trackers
- Dataset + Evaluation kit
- Guidelines on how **to evaluate your trackers** on VOT2014 and produce graphs for your papers (directly comparable to 38 trackers!)

A new **online portal for interactive analysis** of results!

- Will be presented by its author, Luka Čehovin.

- Results published in
a 27 pages joint paper

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Winners of the VOT2014 challenge:

DSST by Martin Danelljan, Gustav Hager,
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