

## CMU-Informedia @ TRECVID 2014 Surveillance Event Detection

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• Experiments on Features

• Experiments on Bounding Boxes



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## **General System**

• Feature Extraction



- Each video is resized to 320 \* 240 pixels
- The videos are sliced into windows ("shots") of 60 frames with a step of 30 frames overlap.





## **General System**

#### • Label Generation



 The shots whose middle frame is located inside the event durations are labeled as positive in the experiments





## **General System**

### • Training

- Linear SVM
- Two-fold cross validation
- Non Maximum Compression
  - filter the shots by the thresholds from cross validation
  - attribute the adjacent shot label to the shot whose confidence is the local maximum
- Interactive System
  - Ranking the shots according to the detection scores
  - Play the previous and next shots to help the judgment



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## Improved Dense Trajectory

- Key processing steps (Wang, 2013):
  - Perform PCA to reduce the dimensions by half
  - Learn GMMs of 256 mixture components
  - Fisher encoding
  - Power normalization and L<sub>2</sub> normalization





# Performance on evaluation data

	MoSII	F <b>T_FV</b>	IDT_FV			
	aDCR	mDCR	aDCR	mDCR		
PersonRuns	0.8676	0.8065	0.7835	0.7497		
CellToEar	1.0090	0.9993	0.9905	0.9891		
ObjectPut	1.0072	1.0001	1.0127	0.9994		
PeopleMeet	0.9927	0.9652	0.9581	0.9501		
PeopleSplitUp	0.9665	0.9456	0.9555	0.9324		
Embrace	0.9671	0.9305	1.0218	0.9520		
Pointing	1.0000	0.9955	0.9965	0.9875		

 The improved dense trajectory (IDT) is the best single feature of our system, which was MoSIFT last year



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## Temporal Noise in the Encoding

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- A shot may not contain exactly the event.
  - Non-event information outside the shot
  - Non-event information inside the shot
- <u>Hypothesis 1</u>: Noise from non-event frames contaminates the positive data especially for short events.





## Spatial Noise in the Encoding



 We are only interested in the event-related features located inside the red box.

Carnegie

• <u>Hypothesis 2</u>: All nonevent features within a frame constitute noise.



#### Implementation Carnegie Mellon University Simple process on evaluation data

• Hypothesis 1: Extract only the features from the event shots rather than the fixed length shots for training

- Hypothesis 2: Extract only the features from the bounding box
  - Manually annotated bounding boxes





## **Evaluation Results**

	IDT	_FV	IDT_FV_T		IDT_FV_S	
	aDCR	mDCR	aDCR	mDCR	aDCR	mDCR
PersonRuns	0.7835	0.7497	0.8466	0.7843	0.8655	0.8337
CellToEar	0.9905	0.9891	1.0075	0.9865	1.0540	0.9928
ObjectPut	1.0127	0.9994	1.0104	1.0005	1.0801	1.0006
PeopleMeet	0.9581	0.9501	0.9810	0.9710	0.9759	0.9627
PeopleSplitUp	0.9555	0.9324	0.9786	0.9514	1.0029	0.9779
Embrace	1.0218	0.9520	1.0408	0.9871	1.0321	0.9999
Pointing	0.9965	0.9875	1.0101	0.9972	1.0655	0.9972

- Result: The simple process did not improve the performance
- T- one vector for each positive example
- S- one vector for each spatially constrained positive example





## Another Attempt Template Bounding Boxes

- Learn template bounding boxes over training data
  - Position
  - Width and height
- Detect with template bounding boxes
  - Sliding window of the boxes
  - Take the union of the area over all boxes





## **Template Bounding Box**







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• Event coverage at different numbers of (x,y) cluster and (w,h) cluster







## Select the cluster number







## **Preliminary Results**

• Feature : Dense Trajectory, Camera 1 only



Fix xy\_cluster\_num = 5, wh\_cluster\_num = 7

#### Additional work is necessary....





## Discussions

- Alternate template bounding box method may improve performance significantly, mostly when the events have strong correlations to specific locations
- The feature tracking methods are not accurate all the time. Some of the meaningful feature points may be located just outside the bounding boxes.
  So taking the union may improve this problem.
- Preliminary results are supportive





## This year's results

#### Retrospective

#### Interactive

	CM	U14	Best non-CM			CMU14		Best non-CMU	
	aDCR	mDCR	aDCR	mDCR		aDCR	mDCR	aDCR	mDCR
PersonRuns	0.8551	0.8500	0.8301	0.8301	PersonRuns	0.7361	0.7356	0.7895	0.7895
CellToEar	1.0032	1.0005	0.9921	0.9911	CellToEar	1.0041	1.0009	0.9555	0.9555
ObjectPut	1.0023	1.0005	0.9713	0.9761	ObjectPut	0.9280	0.9276	0.9641	0.9641
PeopleMeet	0.9008	0.8975	0.8587	0.8583	PeopleMeet	0.8872	0.8849	0.7960	0.7960
PeopleSplitUp	0.8353	0.8330	0.8698	0.8594	PeopleSplitUp	0.8115	0.8097	0.8390	0.8390
Embrace	0.8503	0.8462	0.8113	0.8113	Embrace	0.8417	0.8357	0.6978	0.6978
Pointing	1.0035	0.9959	0.9998	0.9953	Pointing	0.9746	0.9745	0.9744	0.9744

Significant improvement in the interactive task due to reduced false alarms.

This was only possible because IDT found more positives than last year's STIP and MoSIFT





## Thank you