

# Selfie Detection by Synergy-Constraint Based Convolutional Neural Network

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# Problem Formulation

- Binary Classification Problem
- Not a trivial task
  - (a) Variations in poses.
  - (b) Illumination, Proximity and Viewpoints.
  - (c) Background and People involved.

Selfies	Country
2,395	United States
899	United Kingdom
590	Philippines
534	Italy
441	Malaysia
402	Indonesia
370	Mexico
366	Brazil
248	Turkey
226	Poland
215	France
208	Canada

\* Number of Selfies taken per 100,000 people.

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## Motivation

- Large scale image database segregation and retrieval [1].
- Sentiment Analysis [2] [3].
- Psychological studies [4] [5].
- Terminal Scene Understanding.
- Automatic Selfie-specific Image Processing.

## Example(s)



## Example(s) - Human Perception



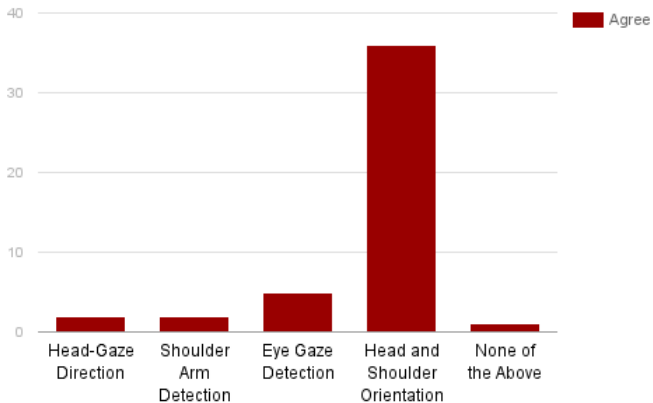


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# How does the world perceive?

## Short Survey



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## Dataset Description

- 70,000 images - roughly equal number of selfies and non-selfies.
- Majority of selfies obtained from selffeed.com [6]
- Non-selfies (a) ImageNet [7] - People and Objects Category  
(b) INRIA persons dataset [8]
- Around 4k non-selfies were also manually collected.
- Dataset kept as realistic as possible by not including images of landscapes, animals and vehicles.

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## Experimental Setup

- Fine-tuning in caffe [20], initial learning rate was set to  $10e-06$ .
- Network was trained for 8000 iterations with Stochastic Gradient Descent with Batch Size of 16.
- The learning rate decreased by a factor of 0.5 for every 2000 iterations.
- For SVM, linear kernel was used for classification with the regularization parameter  $C$  to be 1.

## Performance of Popular CNN Architectures

<b>Architecture</b>	<b>Accuracy(mAP)</b>
AlexNet [9]	81.9
GoogleNet [10]	82.4

- Accuracy less than 85% for both the architectures on a binary classification problem.
- How do the activations of the filters look like?



# CNN Visualizations



## CNN Visualizations



Can enforcing the network to learn head and shoulder orientation help?

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## Handcraft feature extraction

Two features were extracted as in [11] where

- (a) Hierarchical Histogram of gradients [12] - Head and shoulder alignment.
- (b) Hierarchical Local Binary Descriptor [13] [17] - Face and head detection.

## Synergy Feature Generation

- The synergy feature between head and shoulder orientation was learnt **to find a single descriptor that represents both features.**
- Canonical Correlation analysis [14] [15] a procedure that seeks maximal correlations between combinations of variables in both sets of data.
- As tool that finds the best projection of the feature matrices onto a common subspace such that correlation is maximized -

$$\rho_i = \text{corr}(U_i, V_i) \quad \forall i \in \min\{c, d\}$$

where  $U_i = a_i\gamma$  and  $V_i = b_i\tau$

Synergy feature S - Standardized Euclidean norm of the difference between  $U_1$  and  $V_1$ .

## Performance of a shallow model

Architecture	Accuracy(mAP)
AlexNet [9]	81.9%
GoogleNet [10]	82.4%
Synergy feature + SVM	52.4%

Synergy feature alone is not discriminative enough !!!

## Idea

- Handcraft feature generation for head orientation and shoulder orientation - **Done**
- Capturing the Synergy in the two orientations - **Done**
- Getting the final descriptor for classification ???

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## Constrained CNN - A Feature Extractor

- CNN architecture that learns the synergy in common subspace between feature.
- We employ alexnet [9] architecture and transfer learning by fine-tuning the model pretrained on the Imagenet dataset.
- Replacing the last fully connected layer by another of dimension same as  $S$ .
- The loss function is modelled as

$$\ell = \|\sigma(\Theta) - S\|_2^2$$

$\Theta$  is the vector of activations of the last modified fully-connected layer,  $\sigma$  is *ReLU* non-linearity followed by a soft-max operation and  $S$  is the normalised synergy feature

## Selfie Descriptor

- The trained Convolutional layers are used as feature pools.
- Features are obtained at points which are view invariant.
- SIFT [16][19] keypoint locations are determined and the corresponding locations are tracked through the network using their stride value.

$$\theta = (\{x_1, y_1\}, \{x_2, y_2\}, \dots, \{x_K, y_K\})$$

- Activations in the four connected neighbourhood of these keypoints are obtained based on a pooling operation.

$$t_p^i = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \hat{C}_p(i, \phi(\overline{r_p \times x_k}), \phi(\overline{r_p \times y_k}))$$

- These pooled activations are aggregated over all the layers and concatenated to get the selfie descriptor [21].



Local Binary Pattern (LBP) Features

Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG)

Canonical Correlation Analysis (CCA) to capture synergy

Fully Connected Fine-tuned with Euclidean loss (Synergy-Constrained)



96  
Conv 1  
Filter: 11x11  
Stride: 4

256  
Conv 2  
Filter: 5x5  
Stride: 1

384  
Conv 3  
Filter: 3x3  
Stride: 1

384  
Conv 4  
Filter: 3x3  
Stride: 1

256  
Conv 5  
Filter: 3x3  
Stride: 1

4096  
FC 6

4096  
FC 7

4096

Normalisation



SIFT Keypoints

C1  
Average Pooling (AP)

C2  
AP

C3  
AP

C4  
AP

C5  
AP

Feature Vector 1

Feature Vector 2

Feature Vector 3

Feature Vector 4

Feature Vector 5

Concatenation

Selfie Descriptor

Convolutional Feature Maps

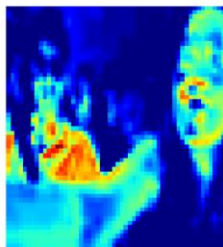
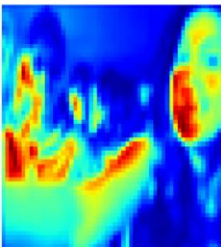
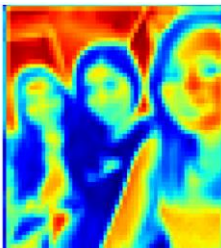
## Experimental Results

<b>Model</b>	<b>Accuracy(mAP)</b>
Synergy Feature + SVM	52.4
Unconstrained AlexNet [9]	81.9
Unconstrained GoogleNet [10]	82.4
<b>Synergy Constrained AlexNet (Proposed)</b>	<b>86.3</b>

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# CNN Activations



## Occlusion Test [18]



Method	Accuracy (mAP)
Unconstrained AlexNet	77.1%
Unconstrained GoogleNet	75.3%
Synergy Constrained AlexNet (Proposed)	58.8%

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## Conclusion

- This paper presents a synergy constraint based CNN training paradigm **features discriminative for selfie detection.**
- The motivation was to mimic human perception by -  
**Capturing the synergy between head orientation and shoulder arm orientation.**
- Relevant features were extracted and a synergy measure was obtained using **CCA on the two sets of handcrafted features.**
- The hypothesis was tested through ablative study
  - (a) **Visualization of Activations.**
  - (b) **Occlusion Test.**
- Experimental evaluation prove with mAP being better by **4%.**

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## Future Work

- Application in other subtle imaging analysis scenarios.  
Example: Scene understanding to separate foreground and background.
- Imposing Different Loss functions on different layer.
- Finding a method to capture synergy between more than two features.
- Making use of Tractability in medical imaging  
Example: Tumour detection

Thank you  
Any Questions ?

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