#### The Multidimensional Wisdom of Crowds

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### **Problem Overview**

### Indigo Bunting





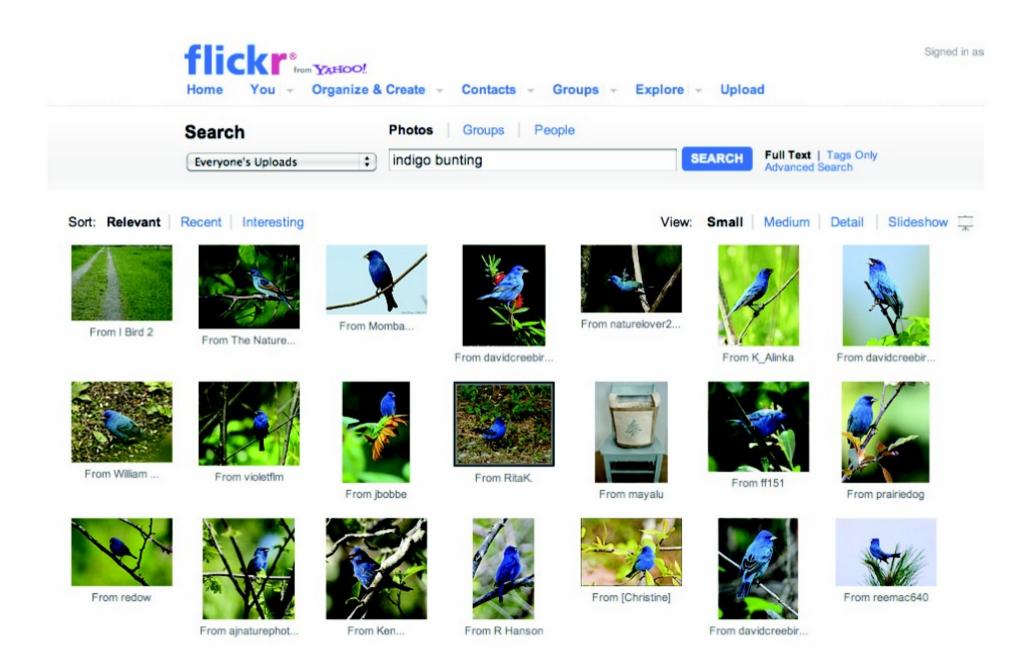








Slides from http://videolectures.net/nips2010\_welinder\_mwc/



### 5,926 results

6000 images from flickr.com

### **Building datasets**

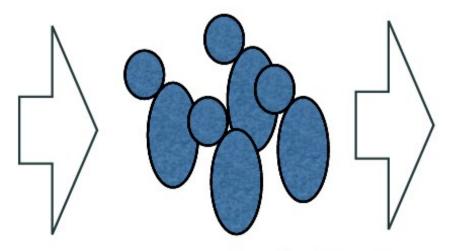
### 100s of training images















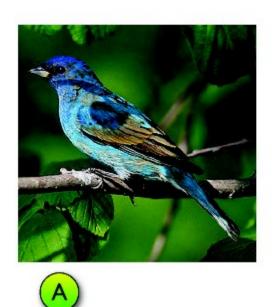


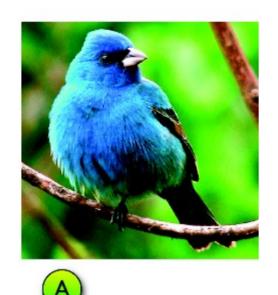


Is there an Indigo bunting in the image?



### Find the Indigo Bunting









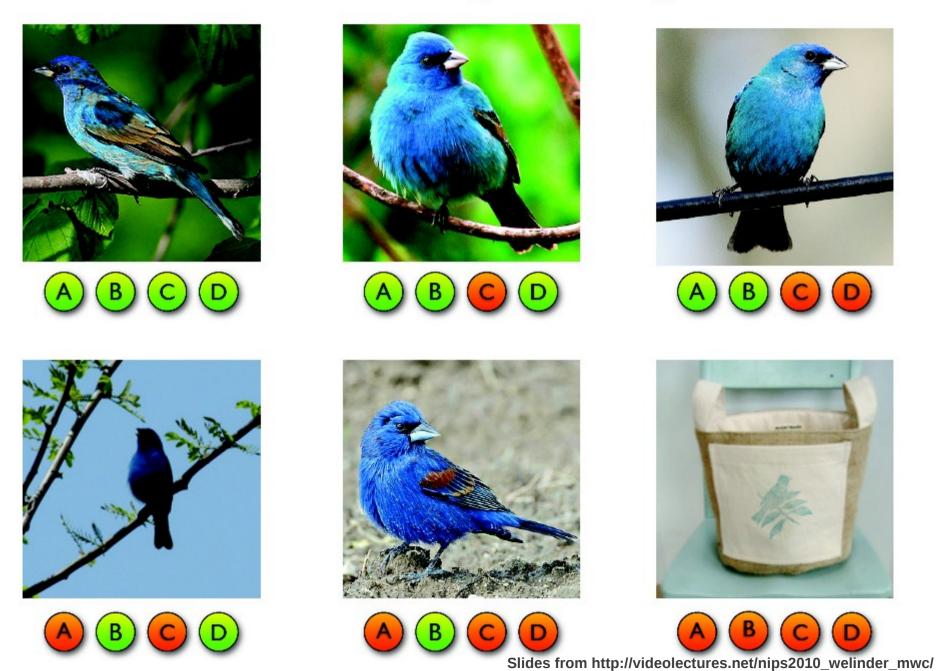




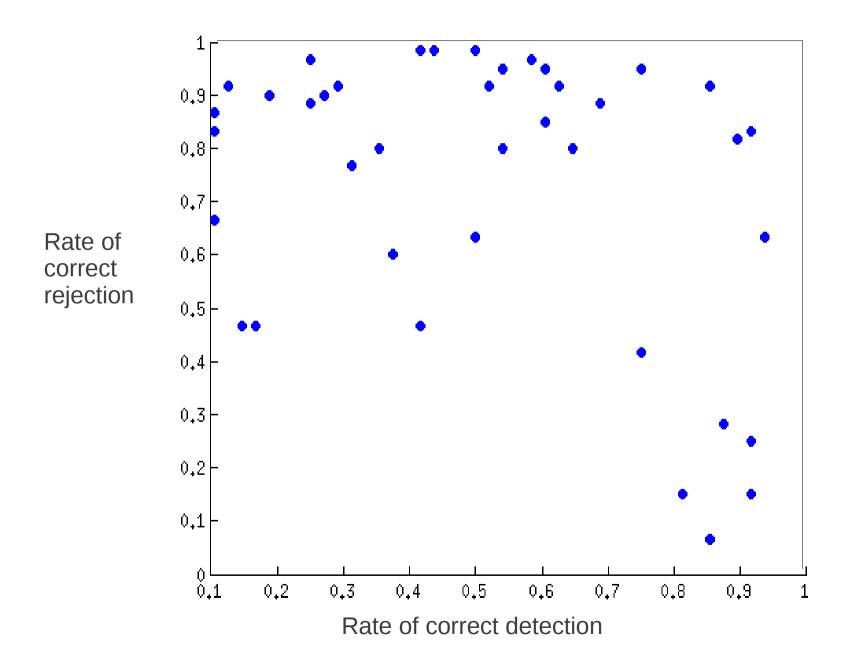


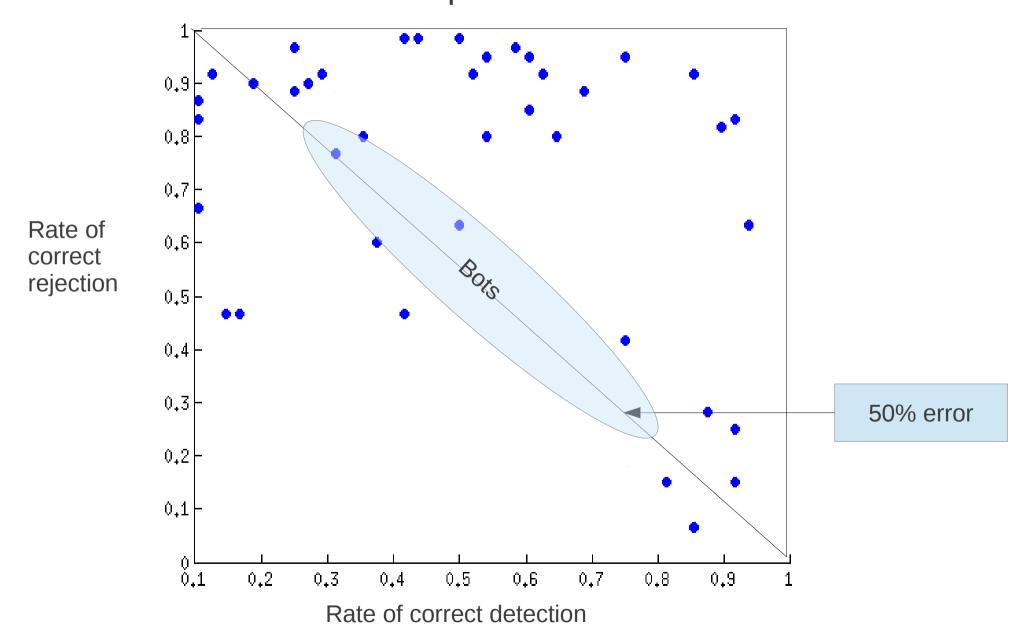


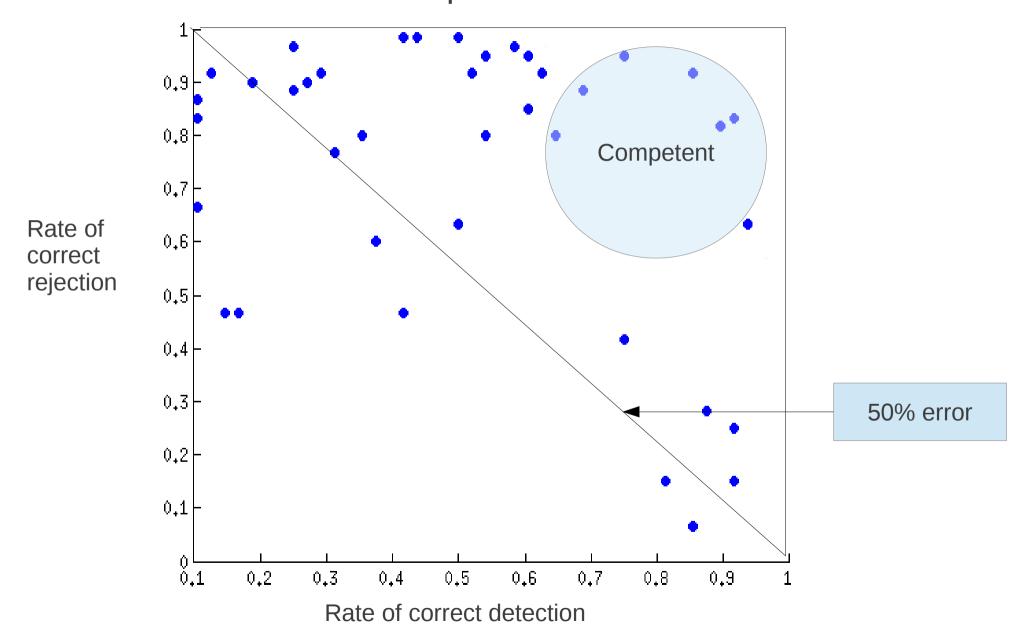
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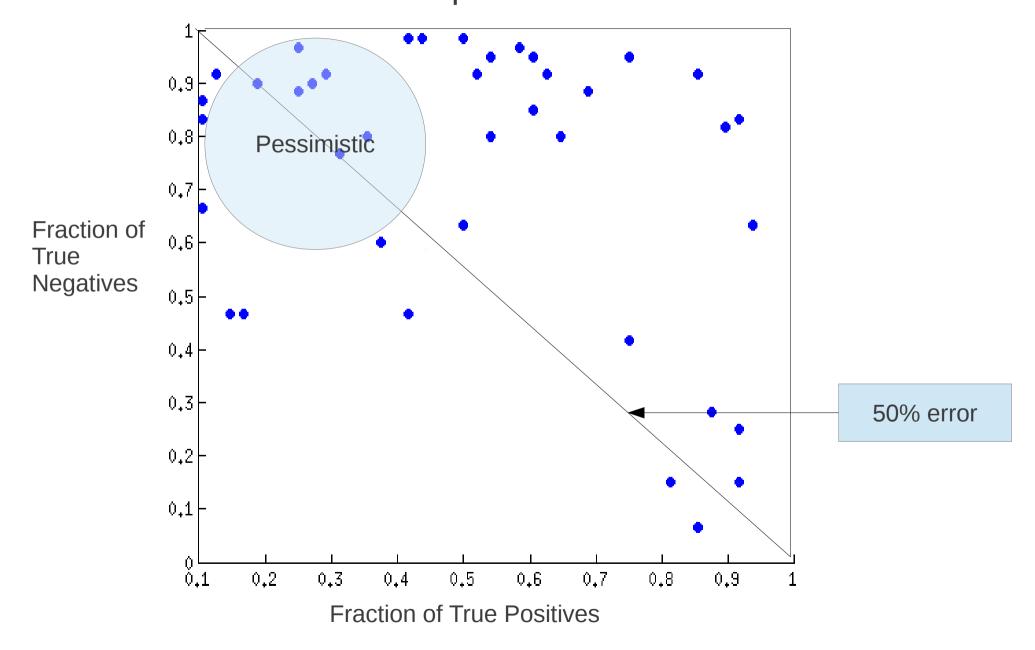


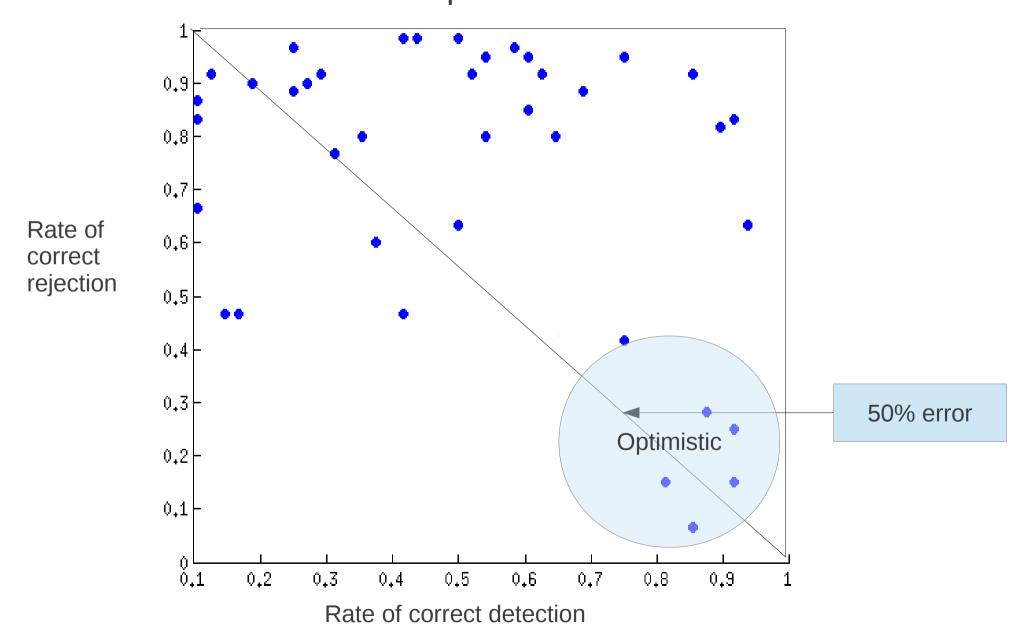


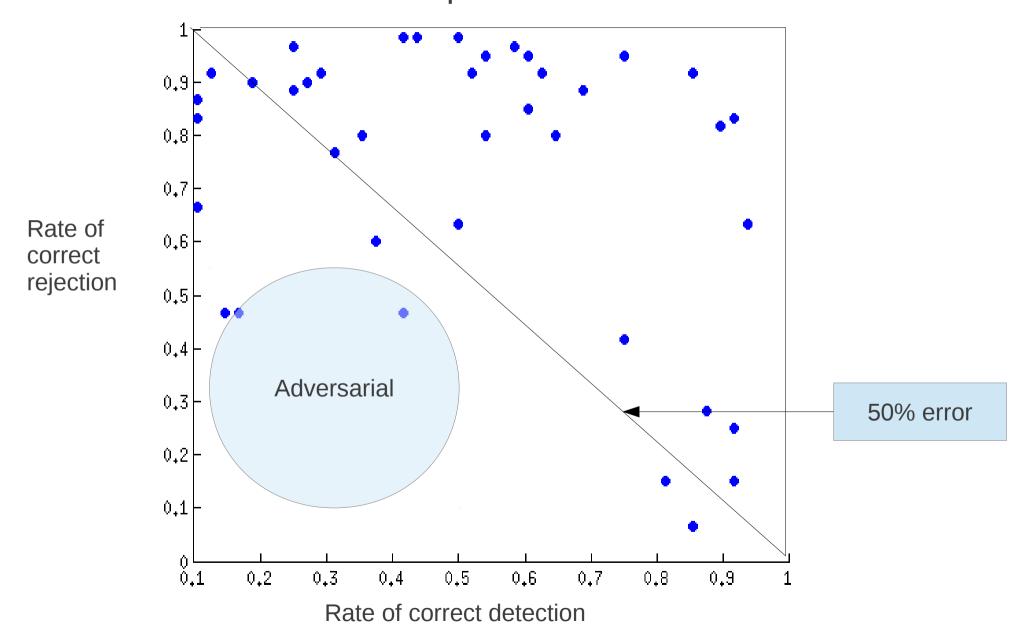














### Multidimensional signals and annotators

$$x_i^2$$
  $p(\mathbf{x}_i \mid z_i = 1)$   $x_i^2$   $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_i^1, x_i^2)$   $x_i^1$ 

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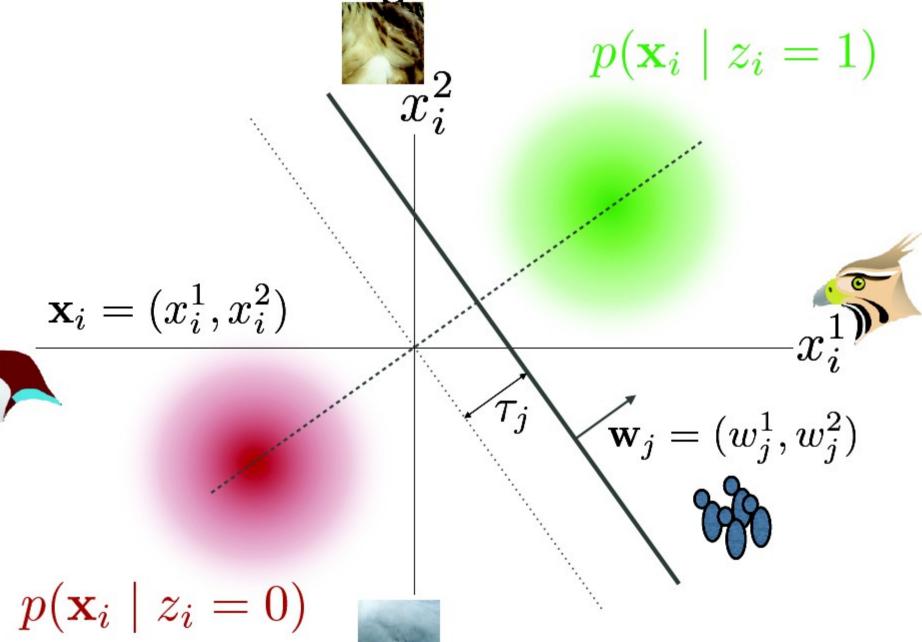


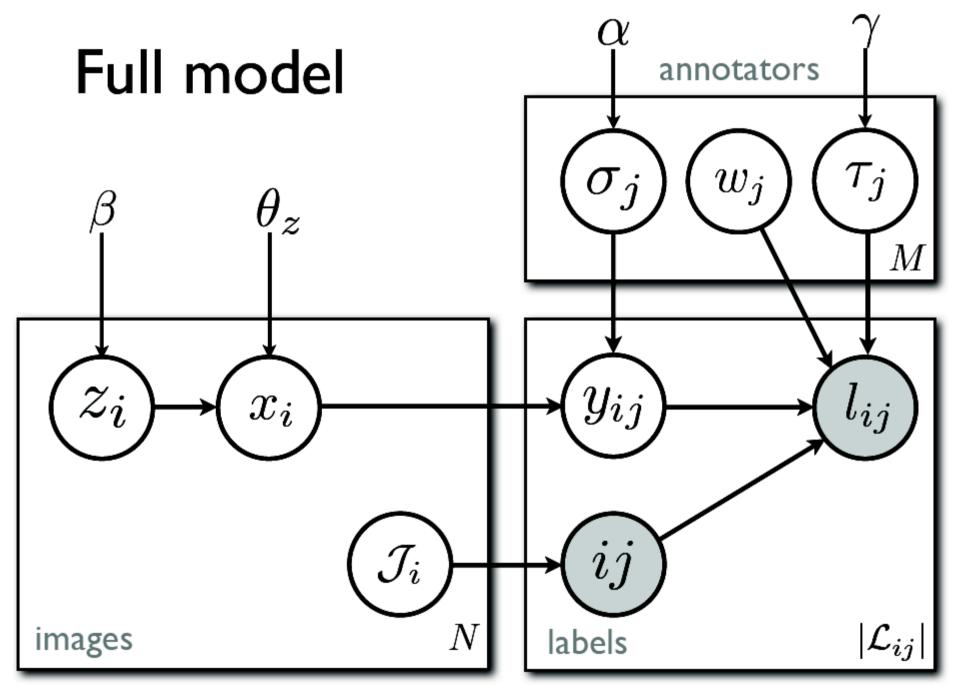


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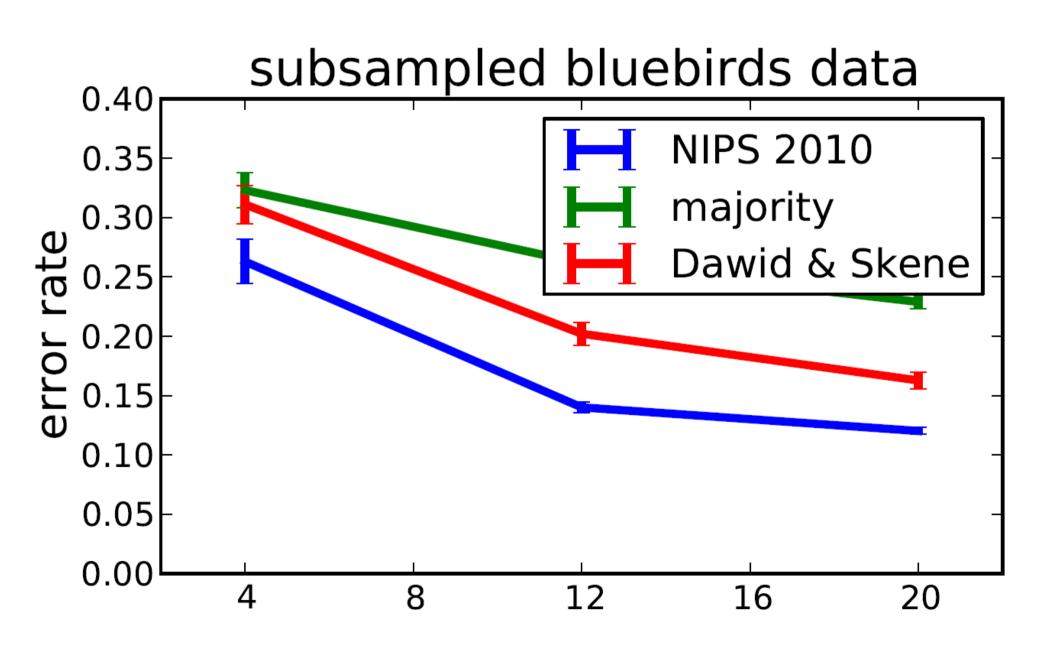


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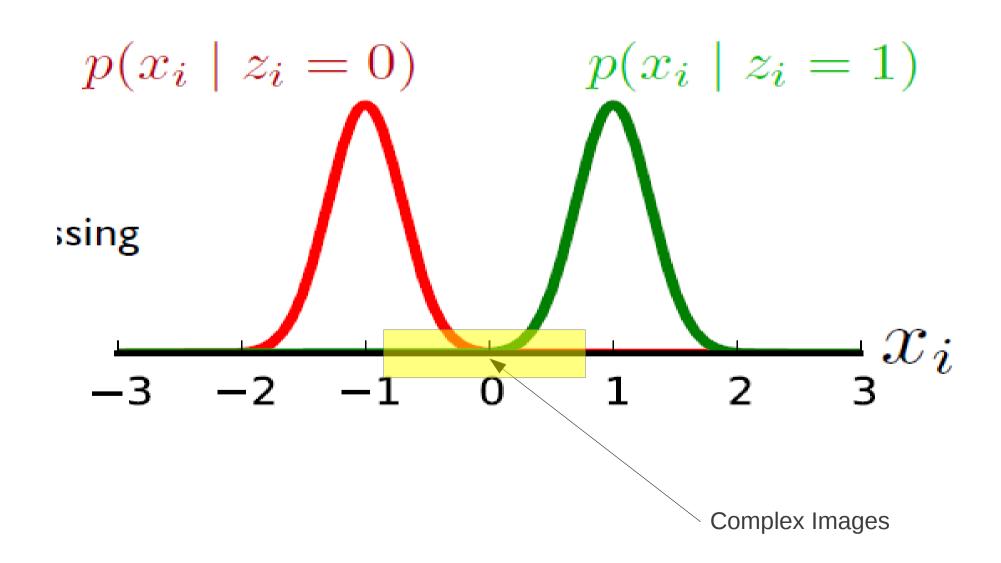




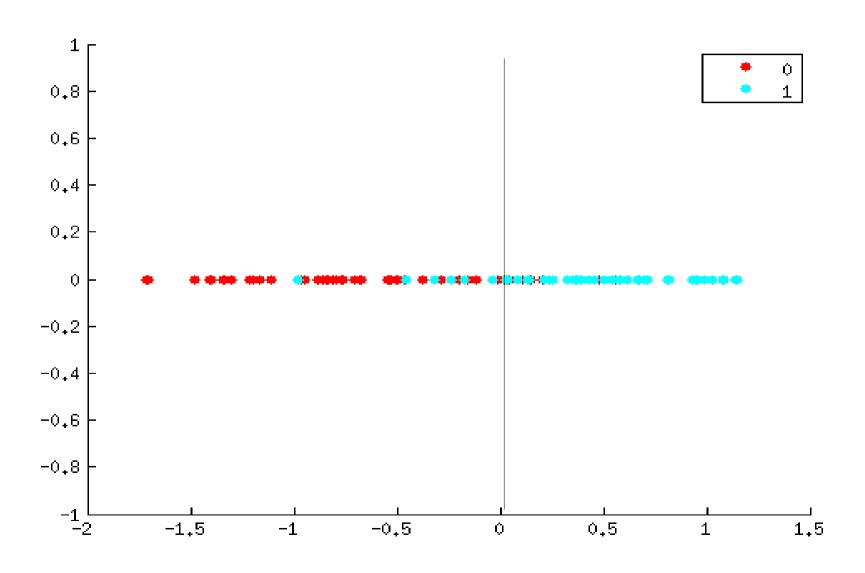
### Error Rate for Bluebirds dataset



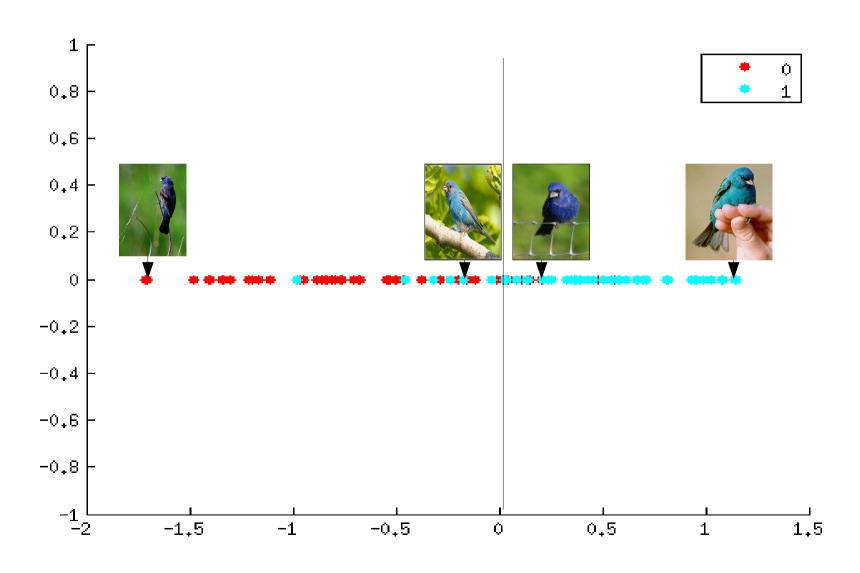
### Estimating Image Difficulty



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### How do these learned image complexities compare with vision-based techniques?

#### **Vision-based measure:**

Predicted time\* to label an image as a measure of image complexity

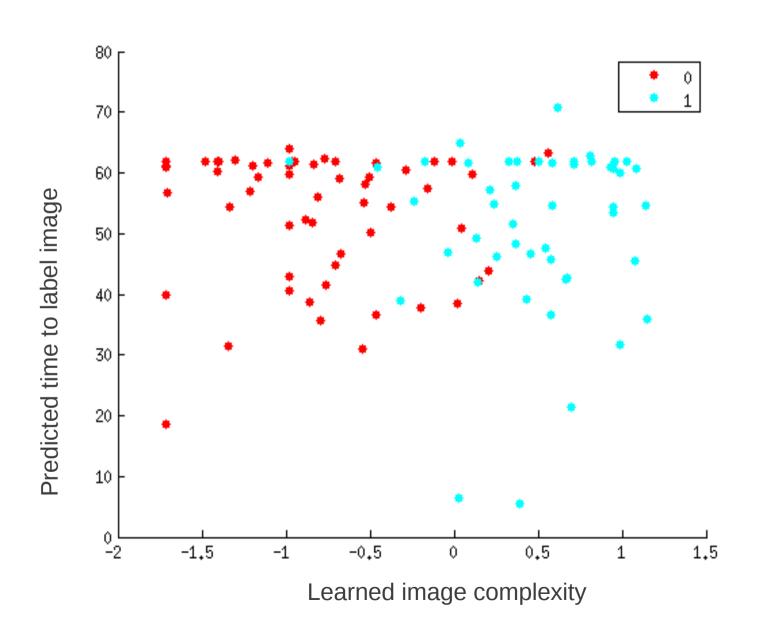
\*What's It Going to Cost You? : Predicting Effort vs. Informativeness for Multi-Label Image Annotations. S. Vijayanarasimhan and K. Grauman. CVPR 2009

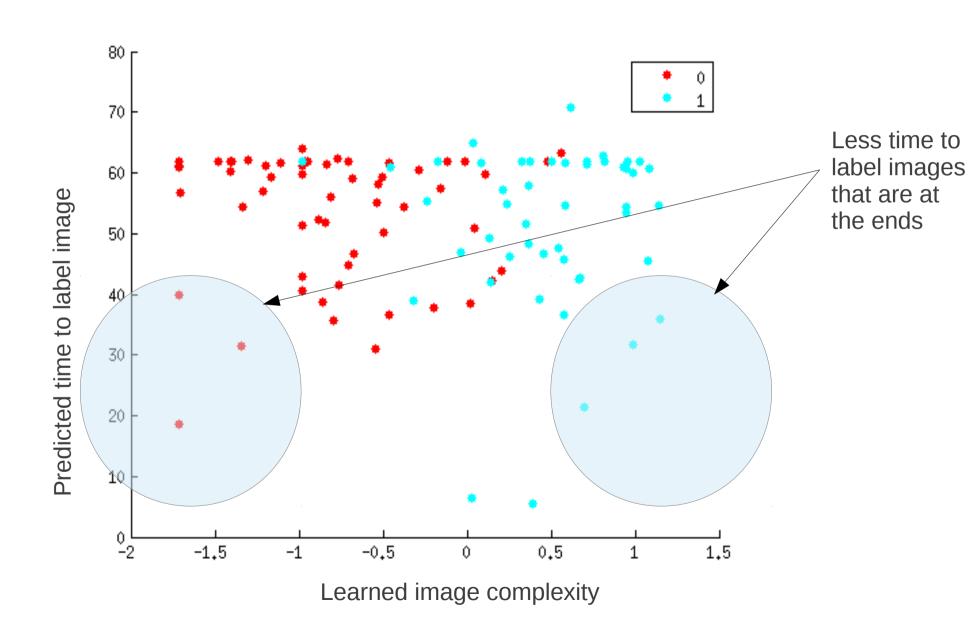
#### Approach:

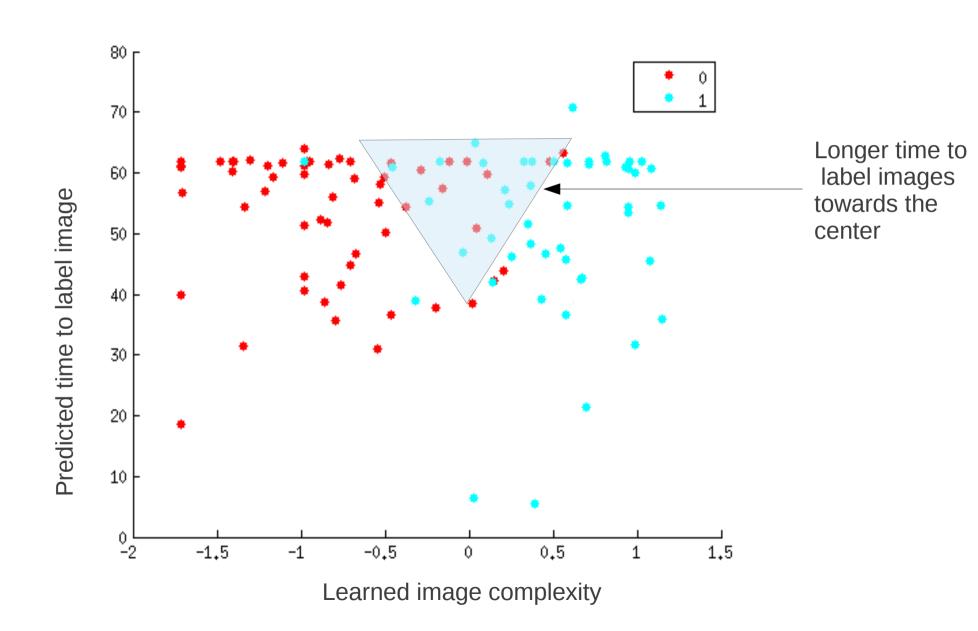
Extract 2804-d feature vectors for MSRC dataset

- Pyramid of HoG
- Color histogram
- Grayscale histogram
- Spatial pyramid of edge density (Canny edge)

Train a regressor on top 200 features selected using ReliefF Predict time to label images for bluebirds dataset







### **Qualitative Comparison**

# Complex Images – Examples False negatives













# Complex Images – Examples False positive















# Easy Images – Examples True negatives















# Easy Images – Examples True positives











### Task: Finding ducks

Mallard



American Black Duck



Canada Goose



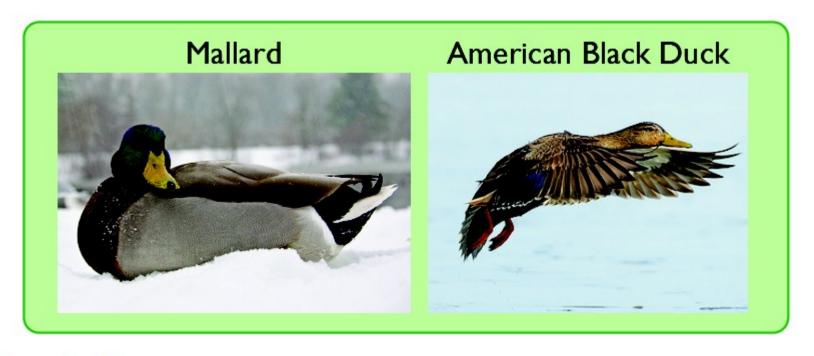
Red Necked Grebe



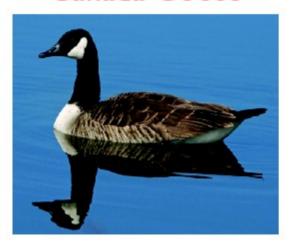
Non-bird



### DUCKS



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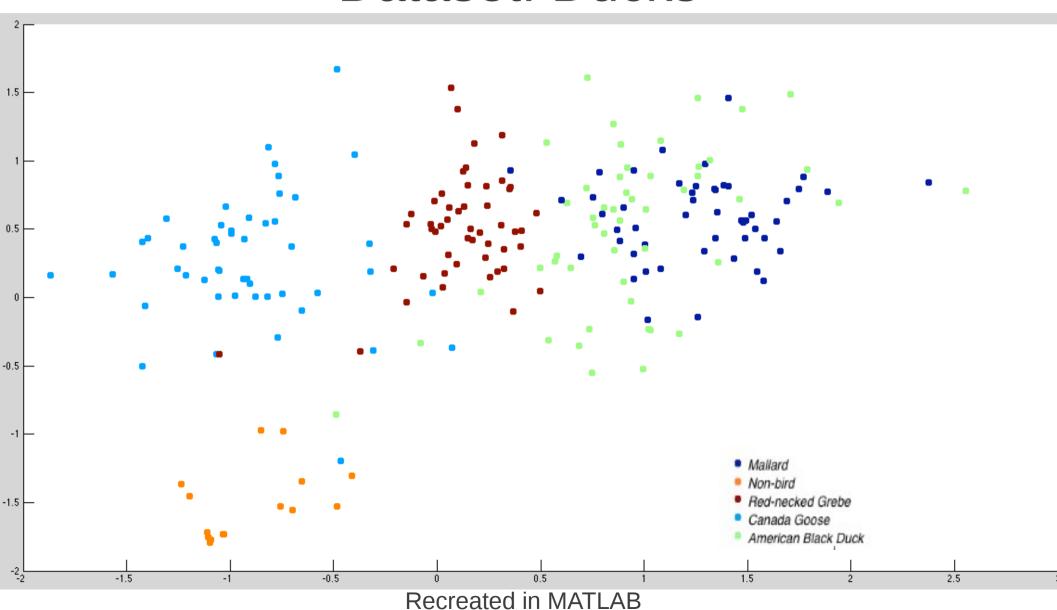
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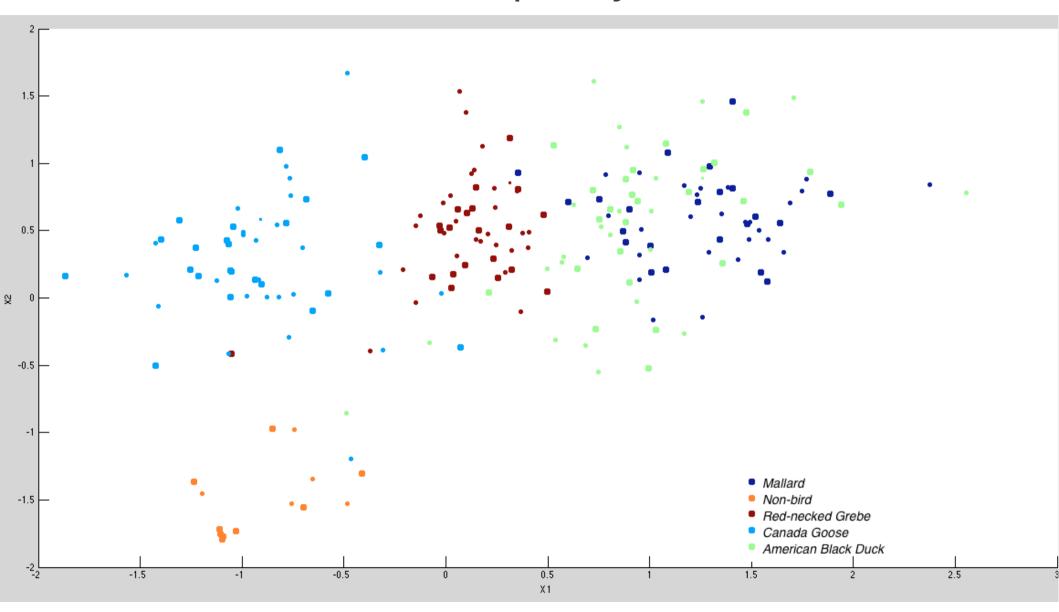


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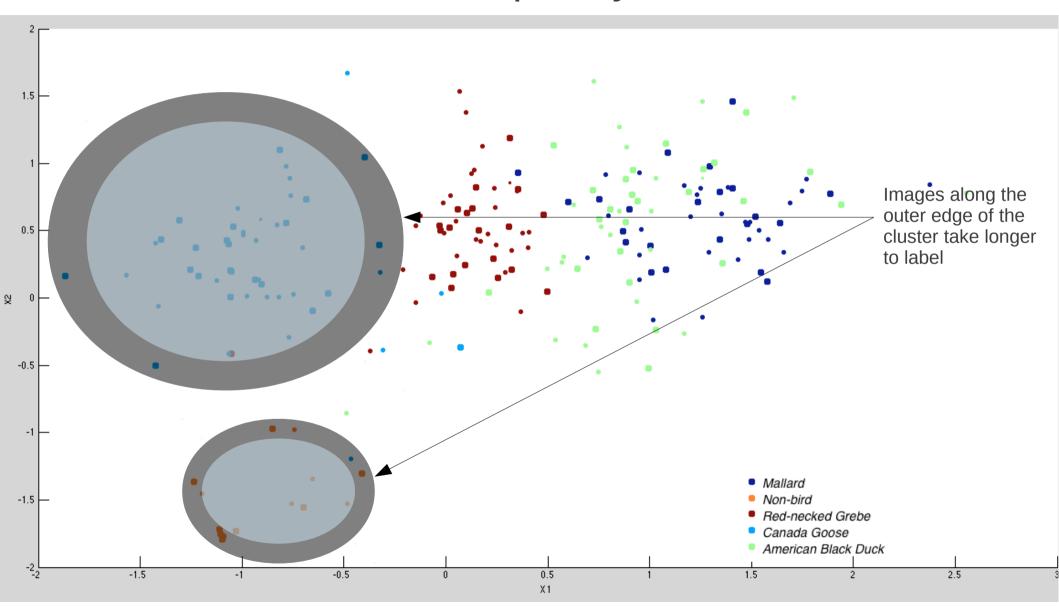


## 2D clusters from learned X<sub>i</sub> values Dataset: Ducks

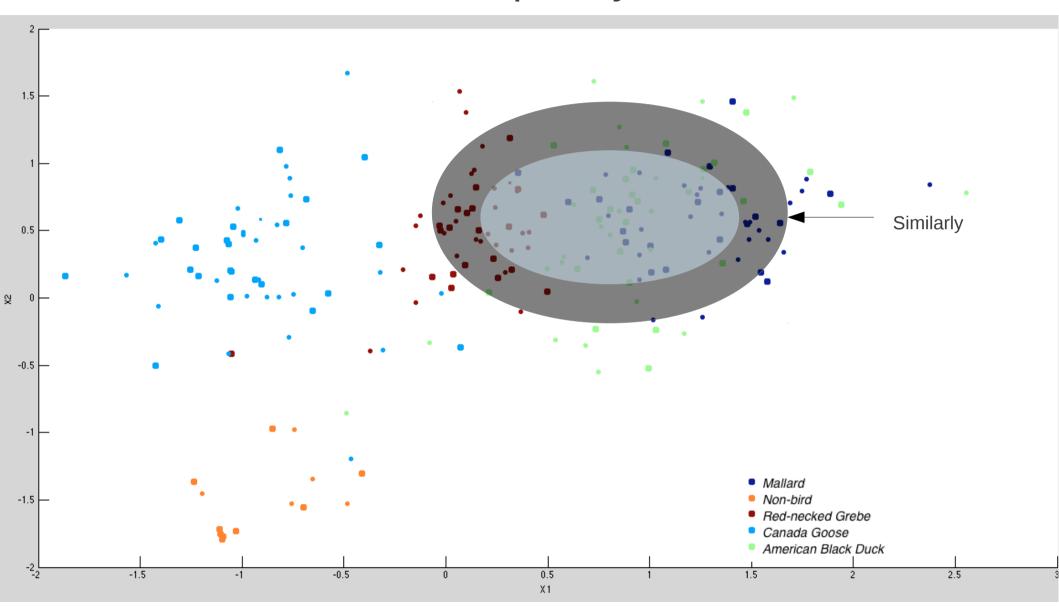




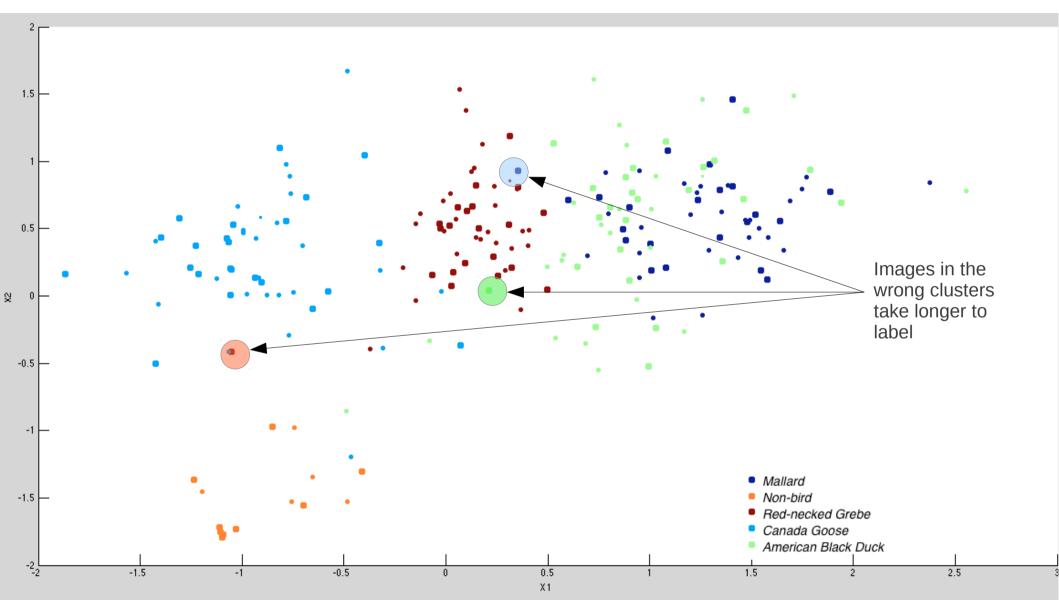
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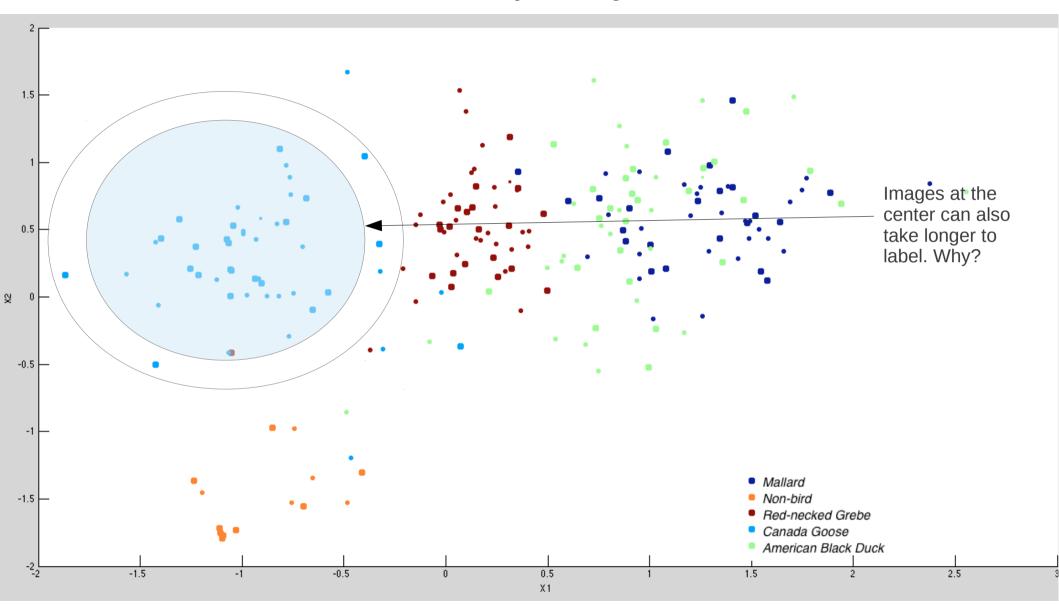
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Bird pose Occlusions Lighting

1. The authors experiment only with a **2-dimensional** model of human expertise

How would this model perform by increasing the number of intrinsic dimensions?

# Extending this approach to a video dataset YouTube corpus

### Example YouTube video with descriptions

http://youtu.be/FYyqIJ36dSU

A french bulldog is **playing** with a big ball

A small dog **chases** a big ball.

A French bulldog is **running** fast and **playing** with a blue yoga ball all by himself in a field.

The little dog **pushed** a big blue ball.

A dog is **playing** with a very large ball.

A dog chases a giant rubber ball around

A dog is **playing** with ball

# Approach

YouTube corpus is not cut out for this task.

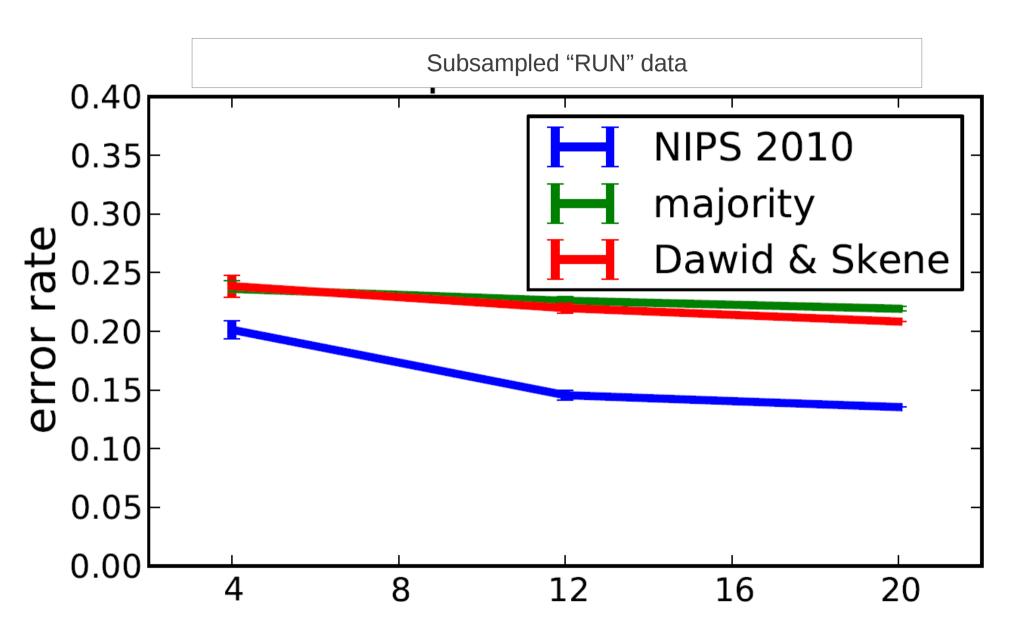
Consider predicting the presence of the activity "run"

- 1. Selected 50 videos where "run" was the predicted activity using majority voting
- 2. Selected **30 videos where "play"** was the predicted activity using majority voting
- 3. Selected 20 videos where "walk" was the predicted activity using majority voting

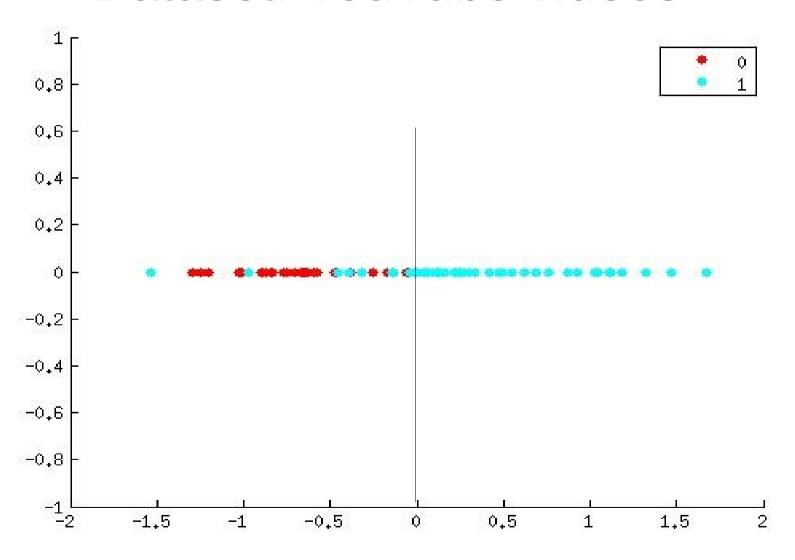
Ground Truth Labels were assigned accordingly

Each video had variable number of annotators. Picked the **20 most frequent annotators**.

# Results



# 1D clusters from learned X values Dataset: YouTube videos

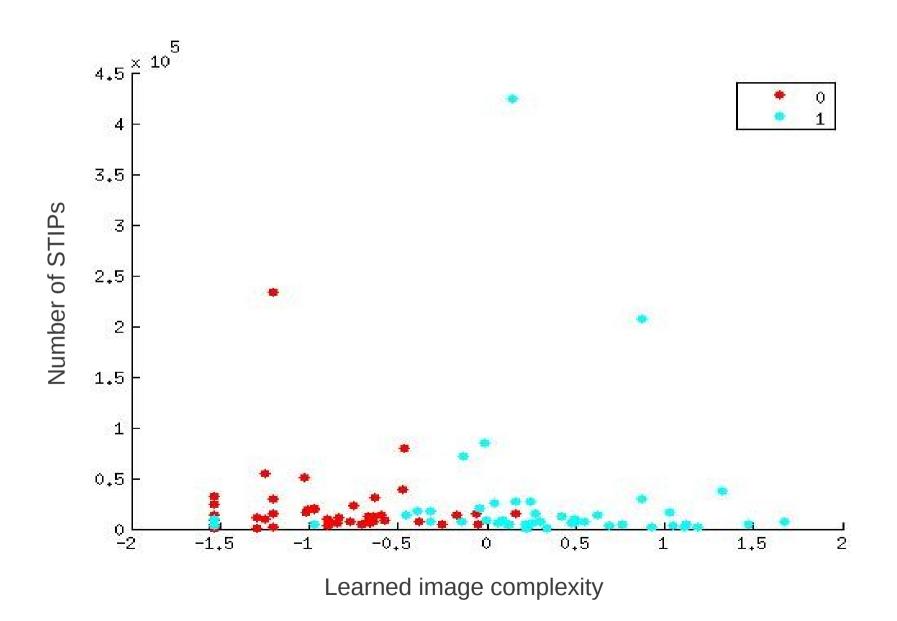


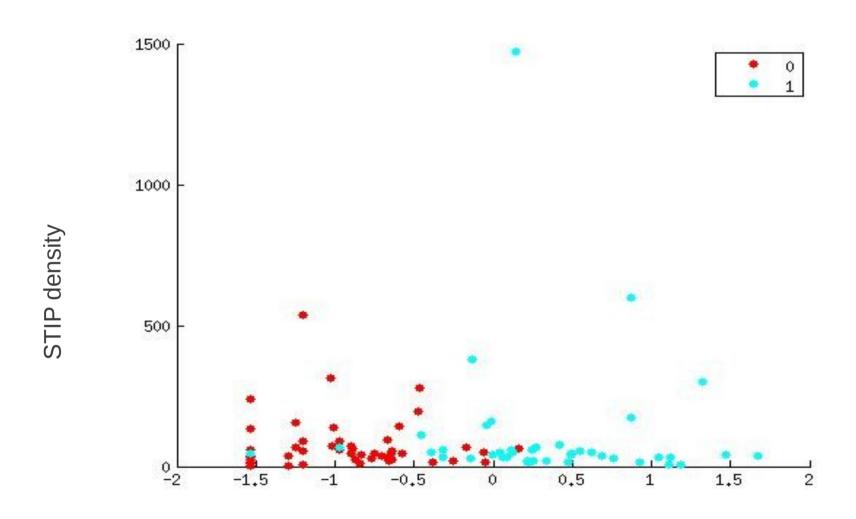
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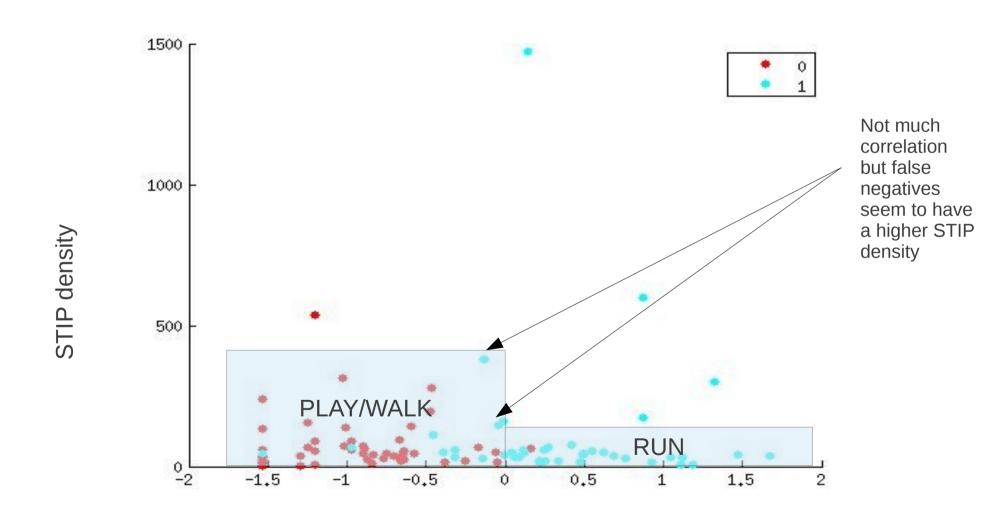
Number of STIPS in the video STIP density

<sup>\*</sup>Learning Realistic Human Actions from Movies. I. Laptev, M. Marszałek, C. Schmid and B. Rozenfeld. CVPR 2008.





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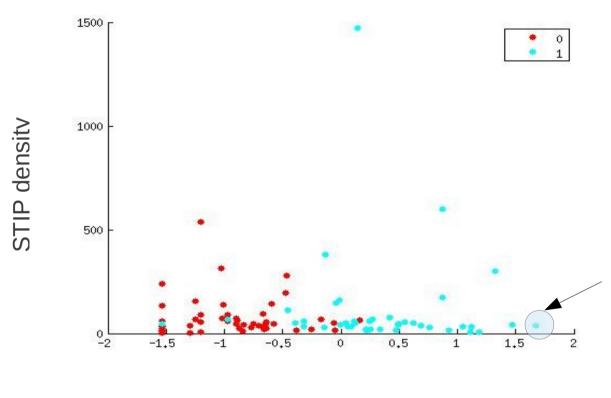
How can we quantify the complexity of a video?

STIP density? Video length? Variety in STIPS? Confusion amongst multiple annotators?

How can we quantify the effort involved in labeling a video?

How do these relate to video ambiguity?

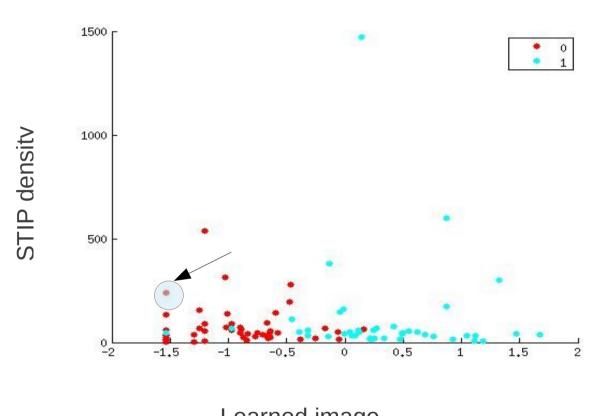
### Qualitative Comparison – True positive



Learned image complexity

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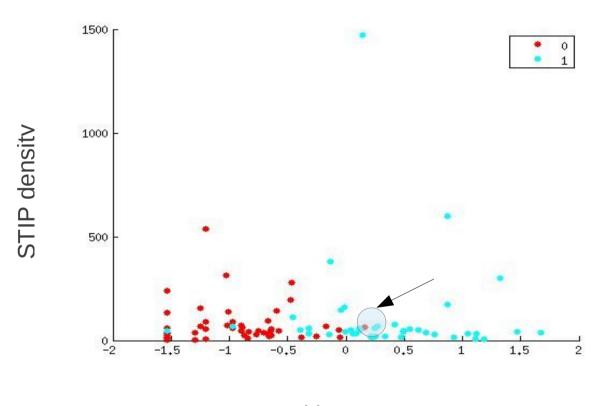
## Qualitative Comparison – True negative



Learned image complexity

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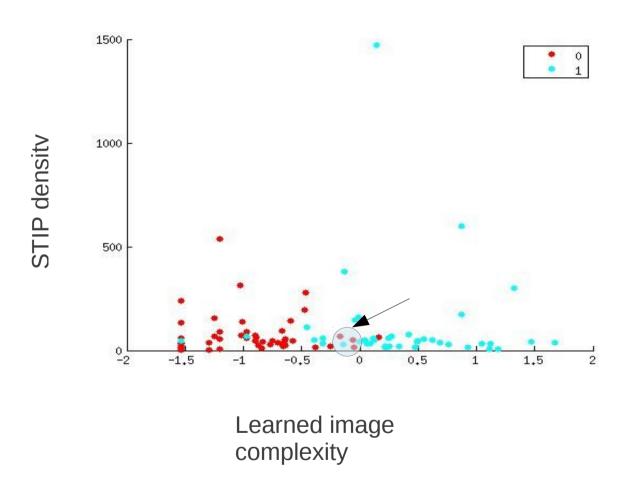
### Qualitative Comparison – False positive



Learned image complexity

http://youtu.be/1l9Hx1kX\_tQ

# Qualitative Comparison – False negative



http://youtu.be/8miosT-Fs1k

## Strengths

- 1. Each annotator is modeled as a multi-dimensional entity competence, expertise, bias
- 2. Can be extended to any domain to estimate the ground truth with least error
- 3. Models image complexities without even seeing the image
- 4. The model discovers groups of annotators with varying skill sets.

1. Image difficulties are learned from human annotations only, which is great!

But would the model perform better if image difficulty was incorporated as a known parameter (using some vision-based technique) into the graphical model?

