

Cross or Not: Pedestrian Prediction



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If you're a self-driving car...

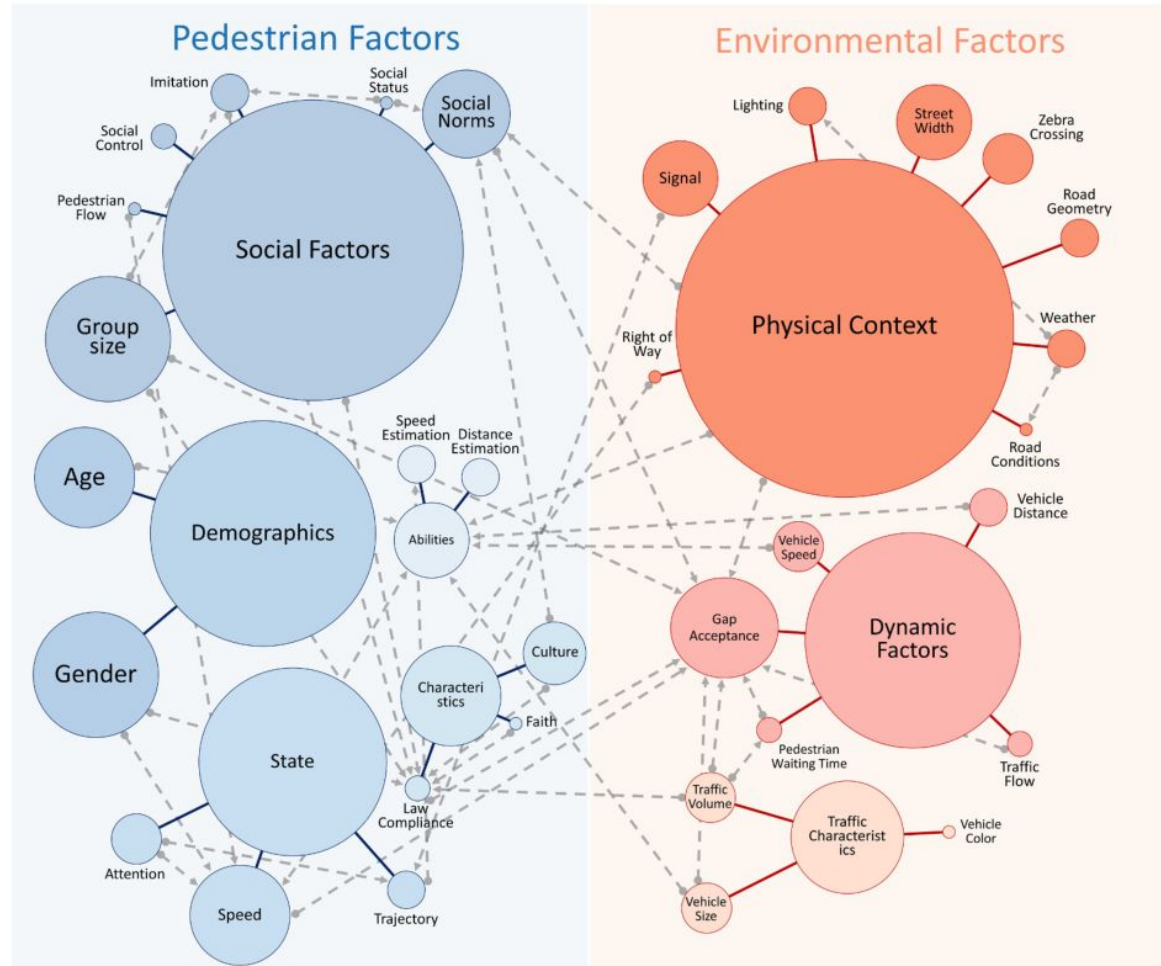


**If you're a self-driving car...
you'd want to know if she will cross**

Goal:

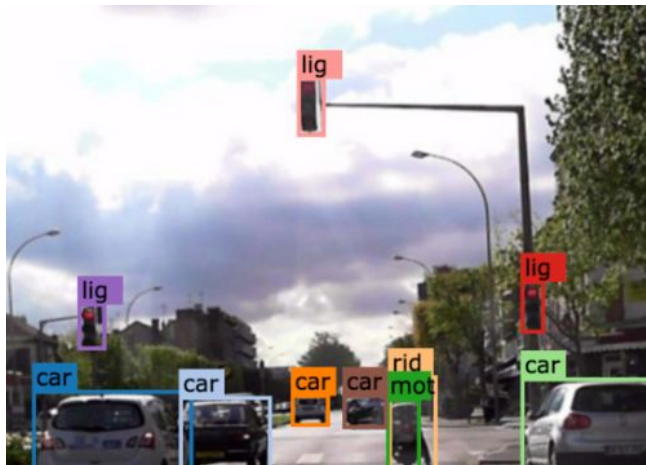
Predict “Will the pedestrian cross?”

Factors



Context: environmental cues

- Traffic signs
- Traffic lights
- Vehicles
- Road
- Sidewalk



Previous work - Are They Going to Cross?

- Input
 - JAAD dataset (Joint Attention in Autonomous Driving)
 - **15 frames** before crossing event
 - **Global** environment cues:
Crossing, traffic sign, traffic signal, etc
 - Pedestrian attributes: Looking, walking
- Output
 - SVM: Cross or not
- Results:
 - 234 crossing events, 81 non crossing events, 315 pedestrians
 - **62.73 ± 13.16%** accuracy

Our goals

- Input
 - JAAD dataset (Joint Attention in Autonomous Driving)
 - **30 frames** before crossing event
 - **Local** environment cues:
Road, sidewalk, traffic sign, traffic sign, vehicle
 - Pedestrian attributes: Looking, walking
- Output
 - SVM: Cross or not

Input data



Cross

Take 30 frames ahead



Labeled Input Frames

Label: Cross
Label: Cross
Label: Cross



Not Cross

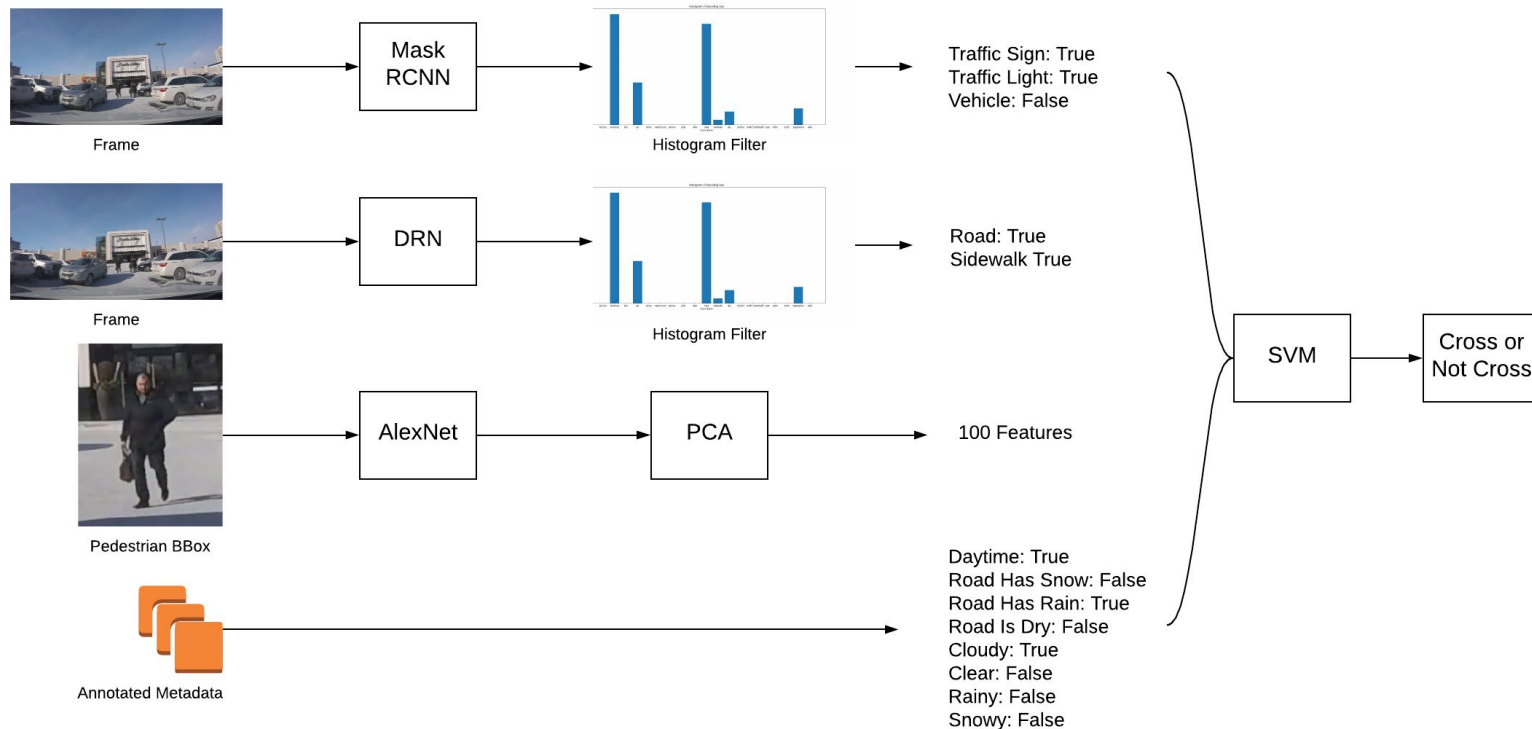
Take 30 frames randomly



Labeled Input Frames

Label: Not Cross
Label: Not Cross
Label: Not Cross

Pipeline



Pipeline recap

1. Instance Segmentation (Mask R-CNN)
 - a. Models based on ResNet 101
 - b. Pretrained COCO model for **vehicles, traffic lights**
 - c. Fine-tuned ImageNet model on Cityscapes for **traffic signs (international)**
2. Semantic Segmentation (Dilated Residual Network)
 - a. Model based on Models based on ResNet 101
 - b. Pretrained model on Cityscapes dataset
 - c. Fine-tuned model on BDD dataset recognizes **roads, sidewalks**
3. AlexNet
 - a. Select pedestrians for 30 frames
 - b. Take the last layer output: a 2048-dimensional vector
 - c. Apply PCA to generate **100 pedestrian attributes**
4. SVM
 - a. Combine all features and predict crossing or not



Traffic sign instance segmentation



Vehicle/traffic light instance segmentation



Road/Sidewalk semantic segmentation

Results

- Baseline accuracy:
62.73 ± 13.16%
- With only pedestrian attributes:
69.85 ± 5.92%
- With traffic signs, traffic lights, and vehicles:
69.56 ± 6.28%
- With traffic signs, traffic lights, vehicles, roads, and sidewalks:
70.06 ± 6.72%

Tally of local objects detected:

- Num roads: 4921
 - Num sidewalks: 1998
 - Num signs: 210
 - Num cars: 2281
 - Num lights: 8
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