

Electronic Visual Monitoring of Fisheries for Smart Ocean

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UW & NOAA Electronic Monitoring Innovation Project

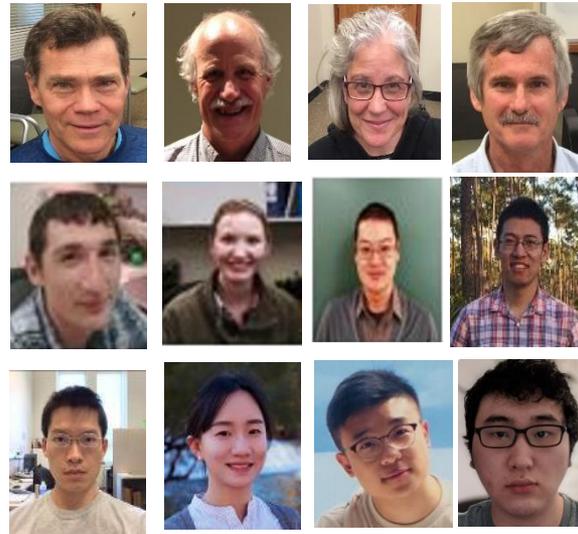
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Motivation

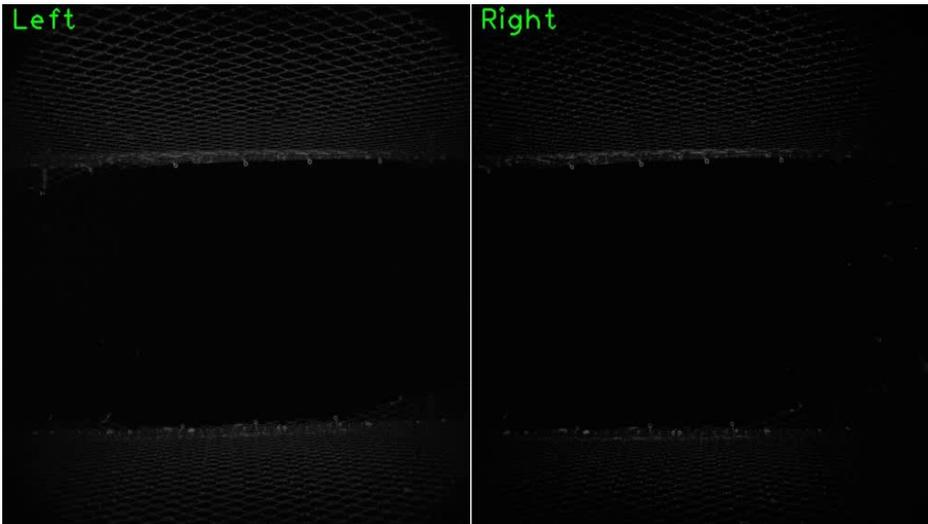
- Fisheries are a **multi-billion dollar global industry** that requires management tactics for long-term sustainability.
- **Camera systems** for monitoring **fish abundances** become a common practice in conservation ecology and stock assessment.



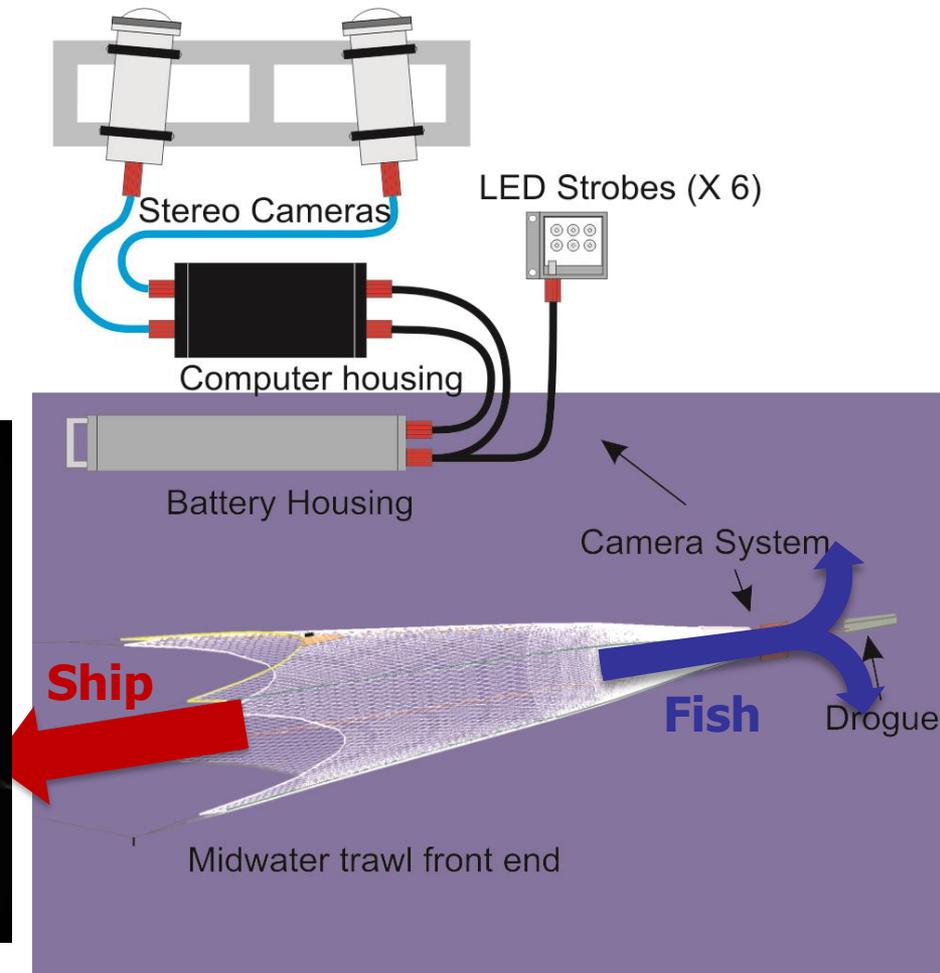


NOAA Alaska Fishery Science Center (AFSC) Cam-Trawl

- Combination of trawl and a **stereo camera** system
- Allowing fish to pass **unharmed** after sampling



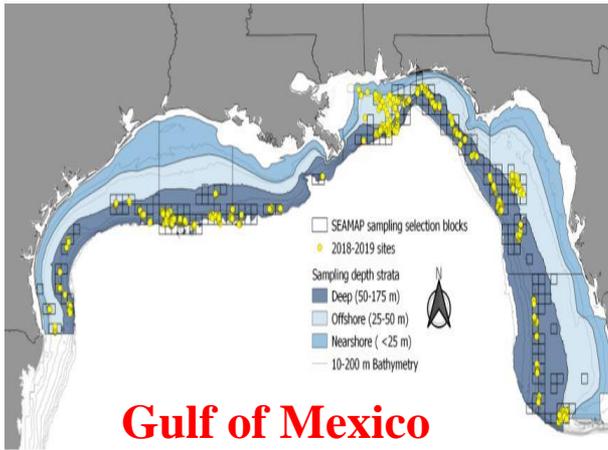
[K. Williams, et al, 2010]





NOAA Southeast Area Monitoring & Assessment Program (SEAMAP)

- Since 1992, 45+ million files, 167+ TB of data, with an annual increase of ~13TB





Electronic Monitoring of Fishing Activities

- Electronic monitoring (EM) system on federal fisheries
 - Monitor the fish species and size
 - Near real-time reporting (via satellite), regulation compliance



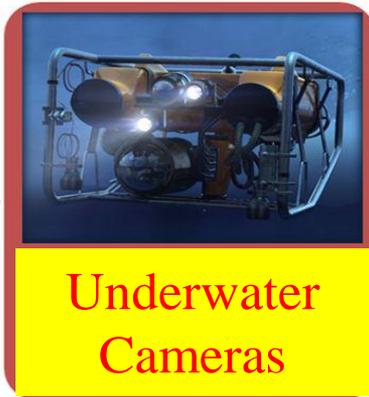
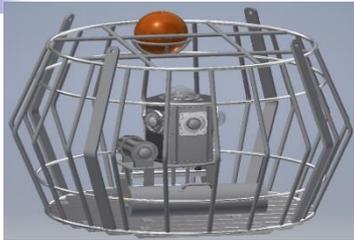
Chute-based On-Board Monitoring



Longline Rail-Catch Monitoring⁶



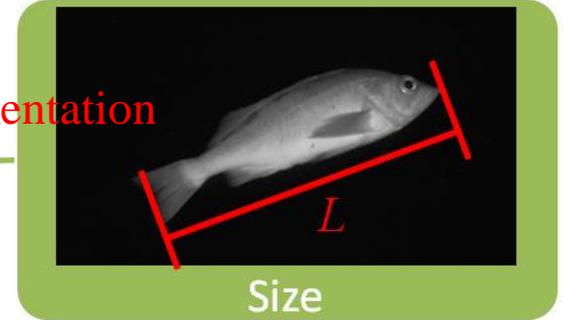
Big Fisheries Data for Smart Ocean



Detection & Tracking



Segmentation



Classification



Onboard Cameras



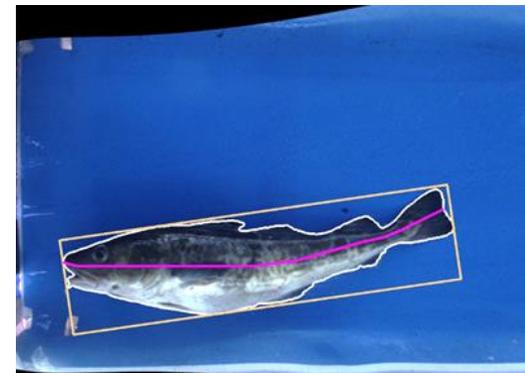
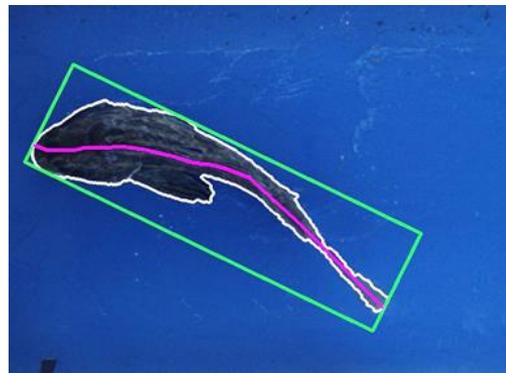
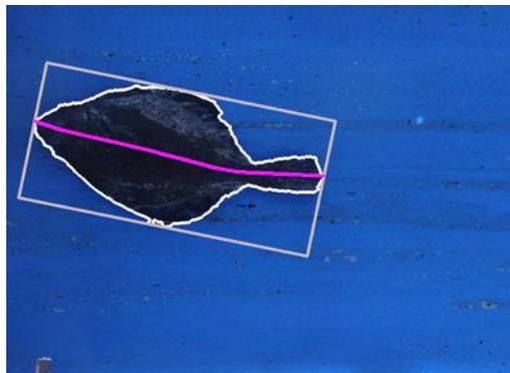
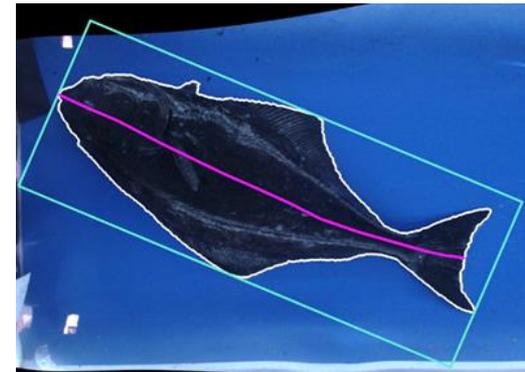
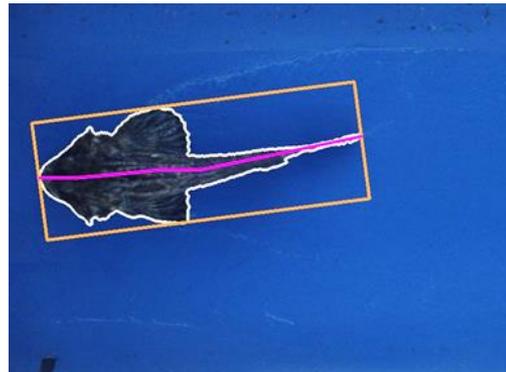
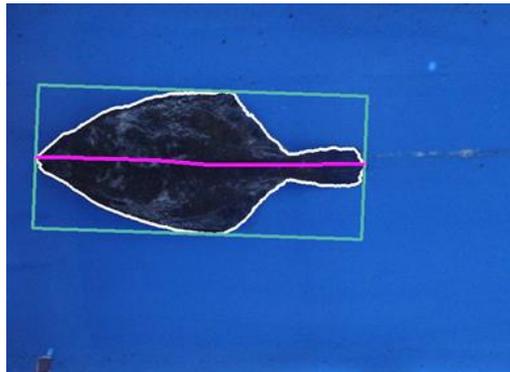
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- Conclusion



Fish Length Measurement

- Many variations of deformations → **morphological midline**



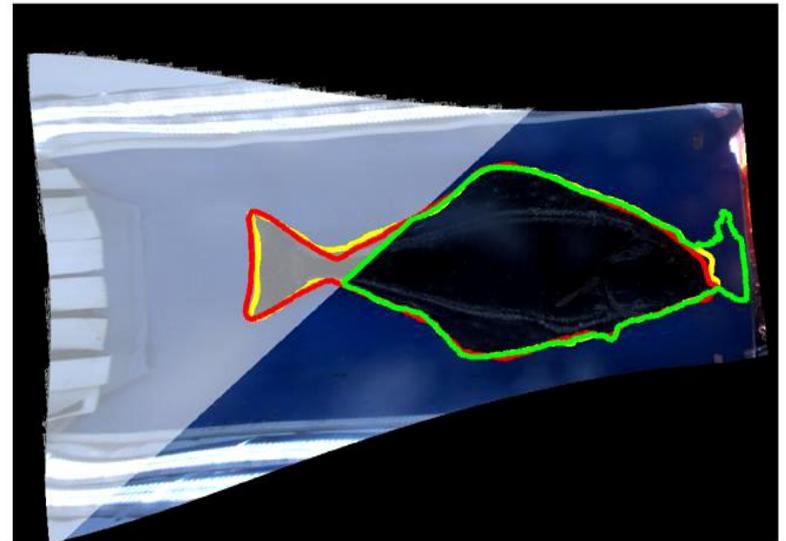
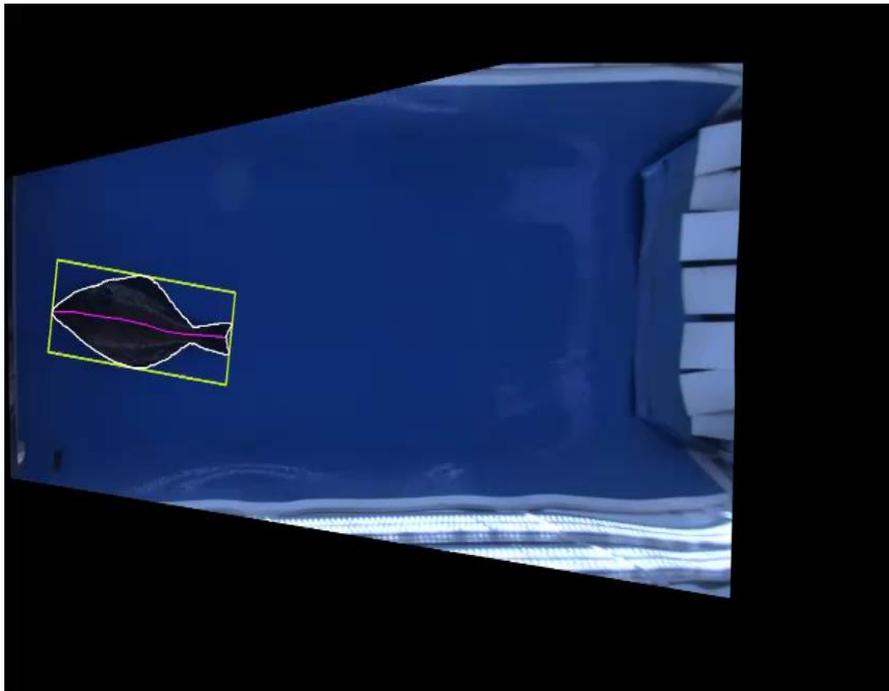
Different orientation

Curved

Forked tail



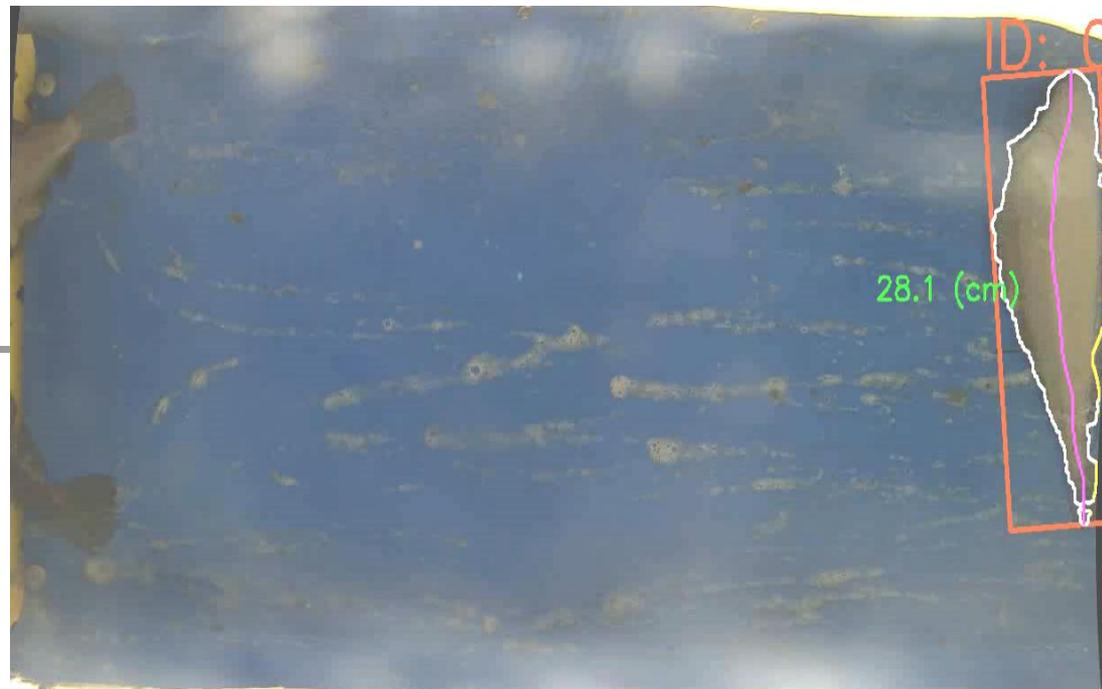
Length Measurement Examples



Mean of Absolute Error of 11 Species of Fishes (3571 samples) – 1.49%



Fish Counting & Length Estimation in Slummy Conditions

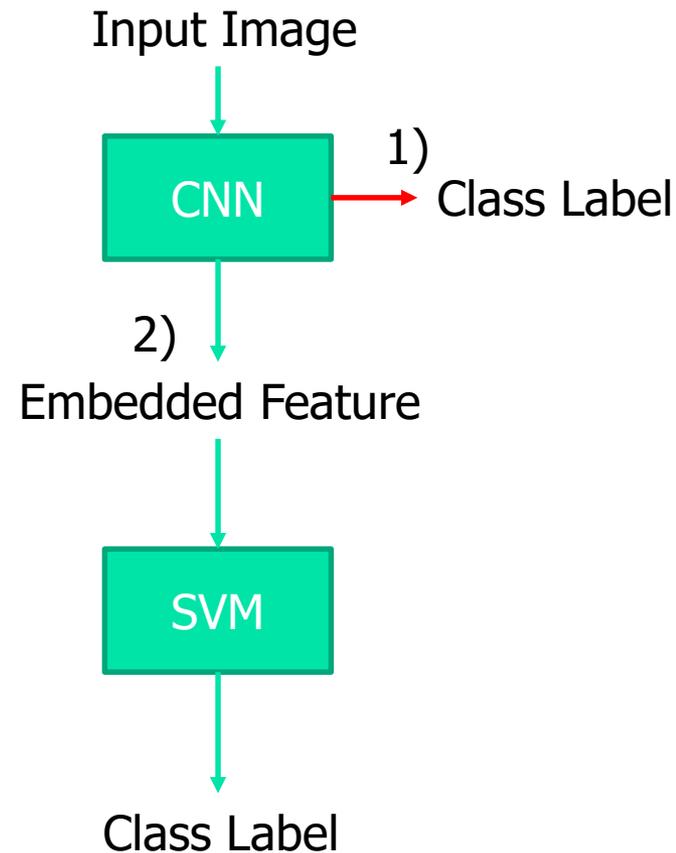




Deep Learning based Fish Species Identification

- Training Data (201 classes, 2015+2016+2019)
 - 11557 (x150 augmentation)
- Testing Data
 - 1412

Method	Accuracy (201 classes)
BoF (7168-dim) + SVM	89.1%
CNN (Inception ResNet v2)	91.7%
CNN (1536-dim) + SVM	92.9%





Re-Visit Fish ID Tasks

- Datasets
 - 2015 chute data (8835 images with 27 classes)
 - 2016 chute data (5032 images with 27 classes)
- Same dataset split into training and testing

Training Data	Testing Data	Cross Validation	Accuracy (%)
2015	2015	10-fold	96.1
2016	2016	10-fold	98.5
2015+2016	2015+2016	10-fold	96.9

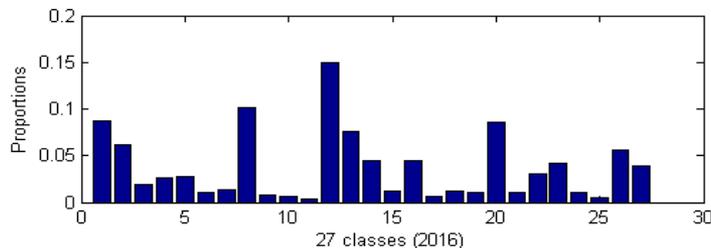
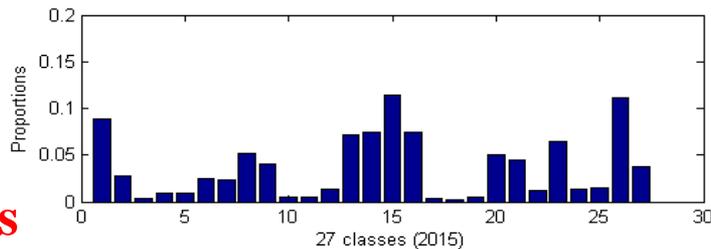
Training Data	Testing Data	Acc (%)
2015 dataset (5%)	2015 dataset (95%)	83.9
2016 dataset (5%)	2016 dataset (95%)	86.6
2015 dataset (100%)	2016 dataset (100%)	69.5
2015 dataset+2016 dataset (5%)	2016 dataset (95%)	88.1



Some Problems of Supervised Learning

- If large (**domain or label shifts**) difference between training and testing datasets
 - Slight species variations
 - Different camera color responses
 - Different distributions of species

Species Distributions

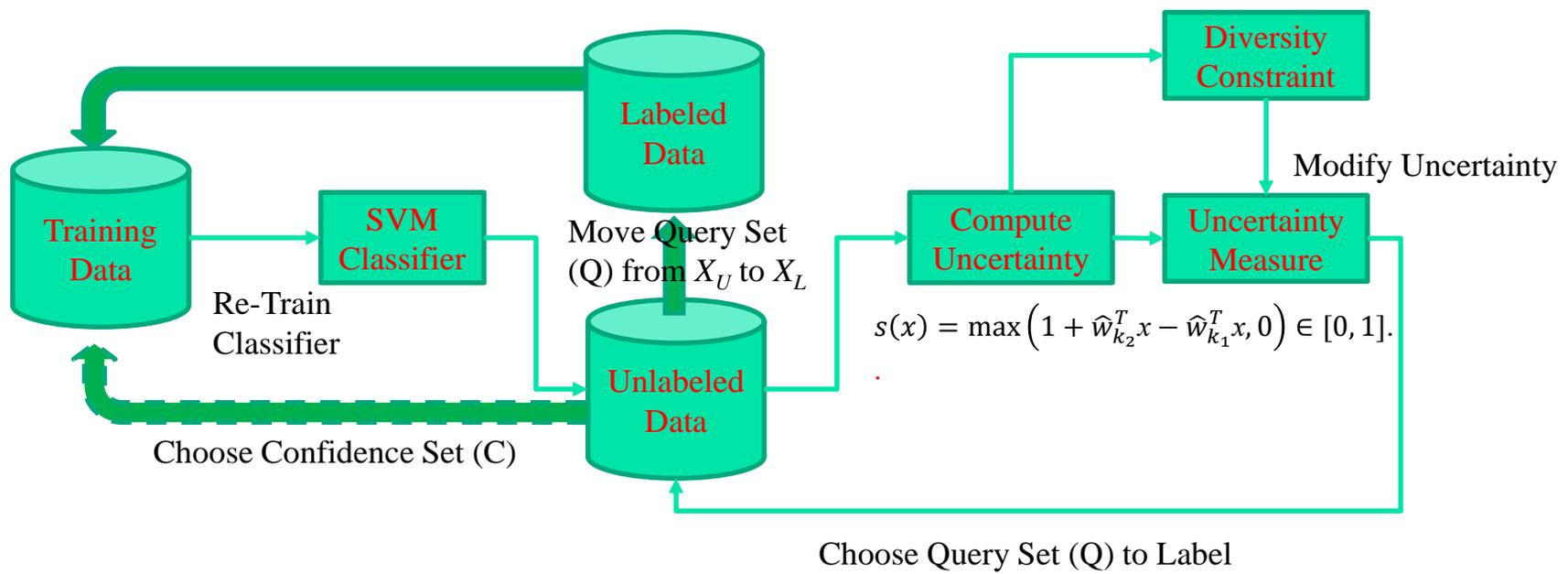


Fish ID	Fish Name
1	Arrowtooth Flounder
2	Atka Mackerel
3	Bathymaster Signatus
4	Berryteuthis Magister
5	Blackspotted Rockfish
6	Dover Sole
7	Dusky Rockfish
8	Flathead Sole
9	Giant Grenadier
10	Gorgonocephalus Eucnemis
11	Harlequin Rockfish
12	Northern Rock Sole
13	Northern Rockfish
14	Pacific Cod
15	Pacific Halibut
16	Pacific Ocean Perch
17	Pacific Octopus
18	Paragorgia Arborea
19	Prowfish
20	Rex Sole
21	Sablefish
22	Shortraker Rockfish
23	Shortspine Thornyhead
24	Strongylocentrotus sp
25	Sturgeon Poacher
26	Walleye Pollock
27	Yellow Irish Lord



Active (Query) Learning for Domain Adaptation

- Goal: **iteratively** select **informative** samples for human labeling to improve the classifier performance



- 2015 dataset+2016 dataset (5%): **88.1% → 96.8%**



Real World Object Recognition

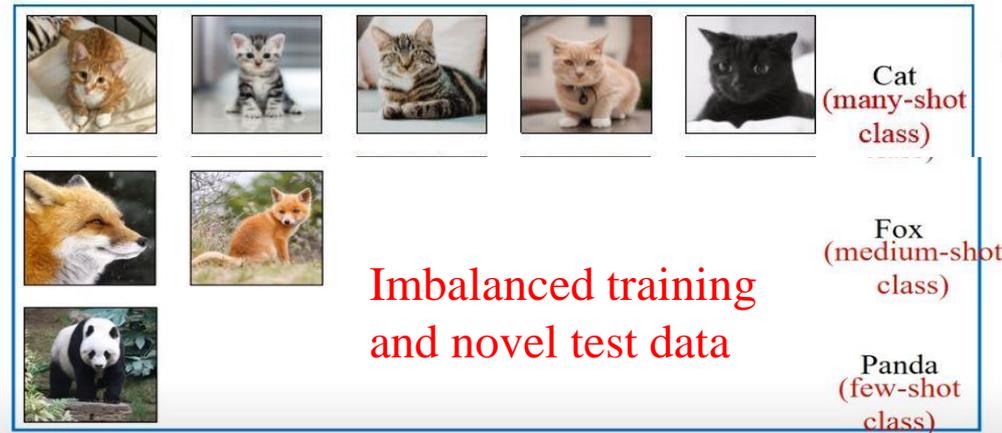
Train



Test



Train



Test



Long-Tailed Recognition (LTR)
Open-Set Recognition (OSR)

Spam/anomaly detection



Disease diagnosis

Species identification



Autonomous driving

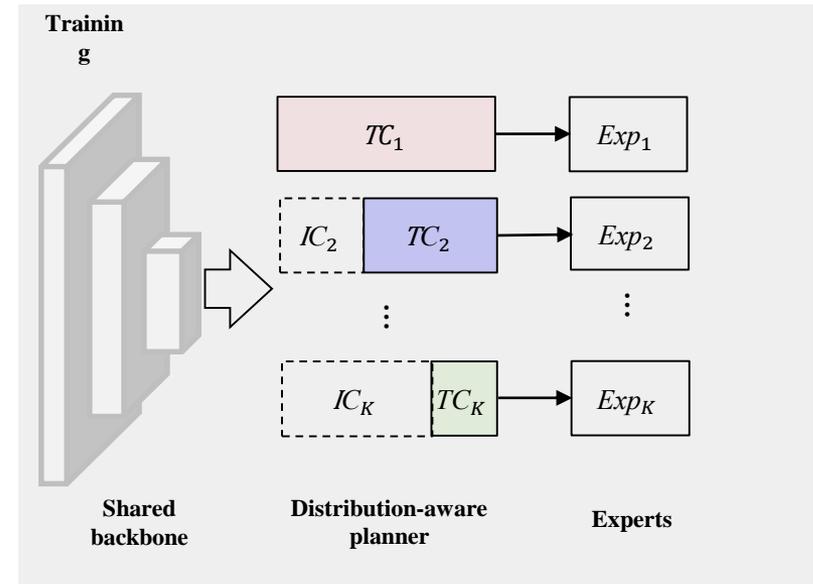
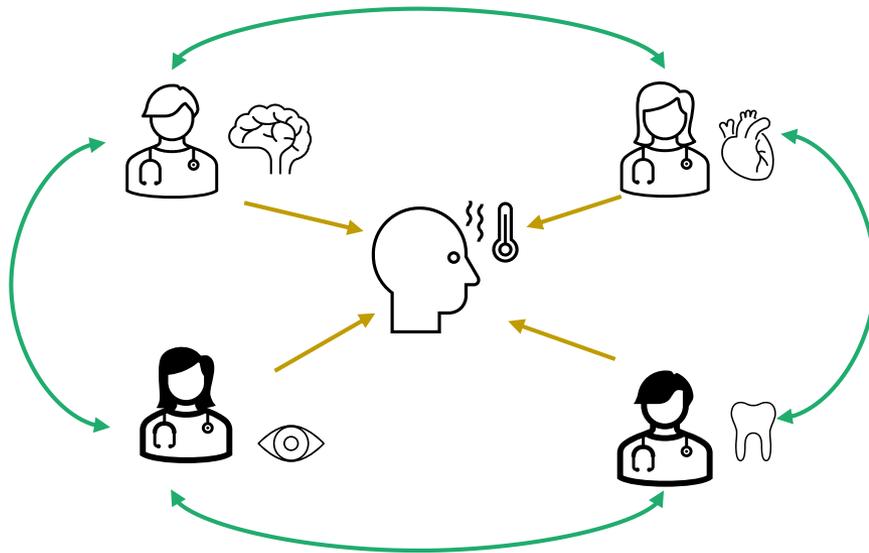
Recommendation system



Face recognition



ACE: Ally Complementary Experts for LTR



TC: Target categories

IC: Interfering categories

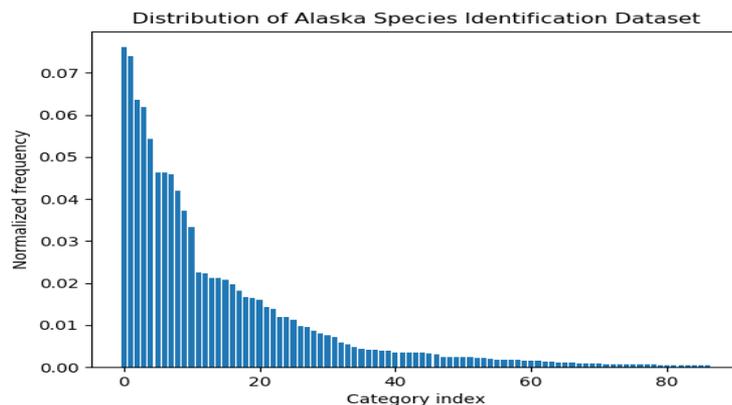
- Involve multiple specialists' insights
- Panel discussion to exclude interfering potentials

Jiarui Cai, et al., "ACE: Ally Complementary Experts for Solving Long-Tailed Recognition in One-Shot," ICCV 2021



Alaska Chute Fish Dataset

- Alaska species ID dataset: 26.4k images for **87 classes**
- Many-shot (>100 samples): **38 classes**
- Medium-shot (>20 and <=100 samples): **33 classes**
- Few-shot (<= 20 samples): **16 classes**



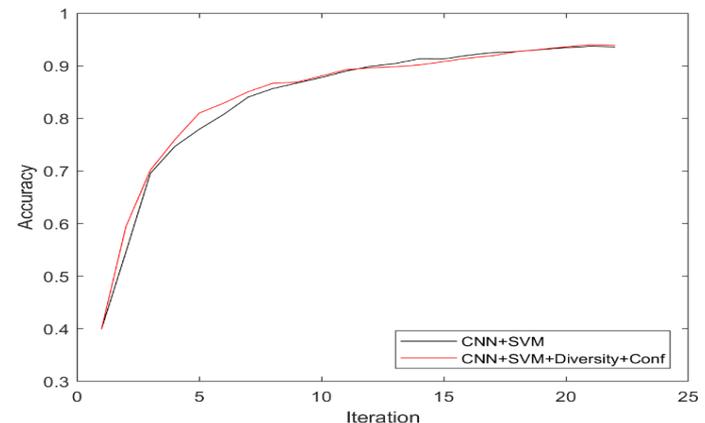
- Imbalance factor = $N_{\max}/N_{\min} = 193.5$

	Top1 acc	Top 2 acc	Top 3 acc	Many	Medium	Few
ACE	94.48%	97.70%	98.39%	98.42%	96.97%	80.00%



Active Learning for New Classes Discovery

- Non-Query Learning
- 43-class (42+1 others)
 - Training, 6042 images
 - Testing, 698 images
 - 90% samples used in the training.
 - Accuracy = 94.5%.
- New Class Discovery
 - From 27 to 42 classes
 - 5% samples used in the training.
 - Accuracy = 93.9%.



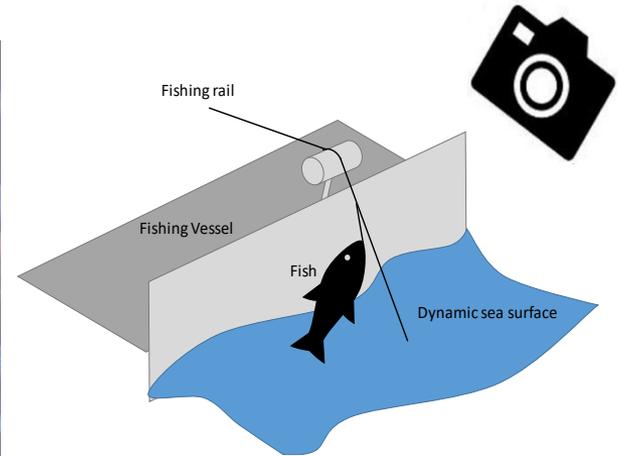
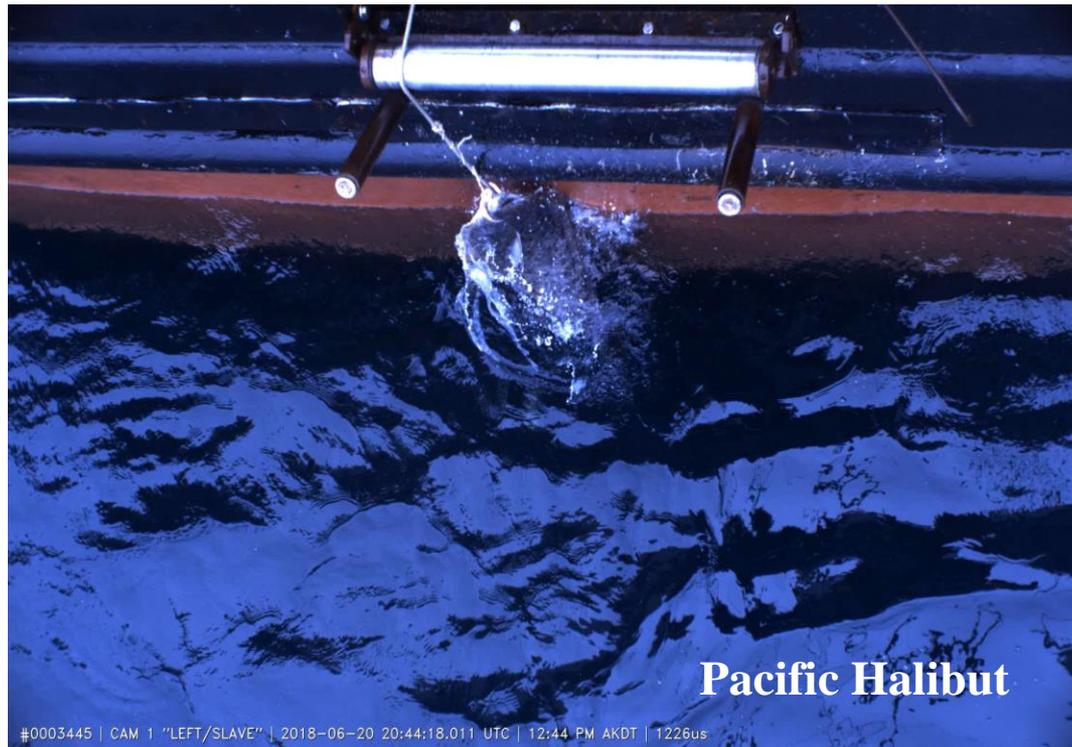


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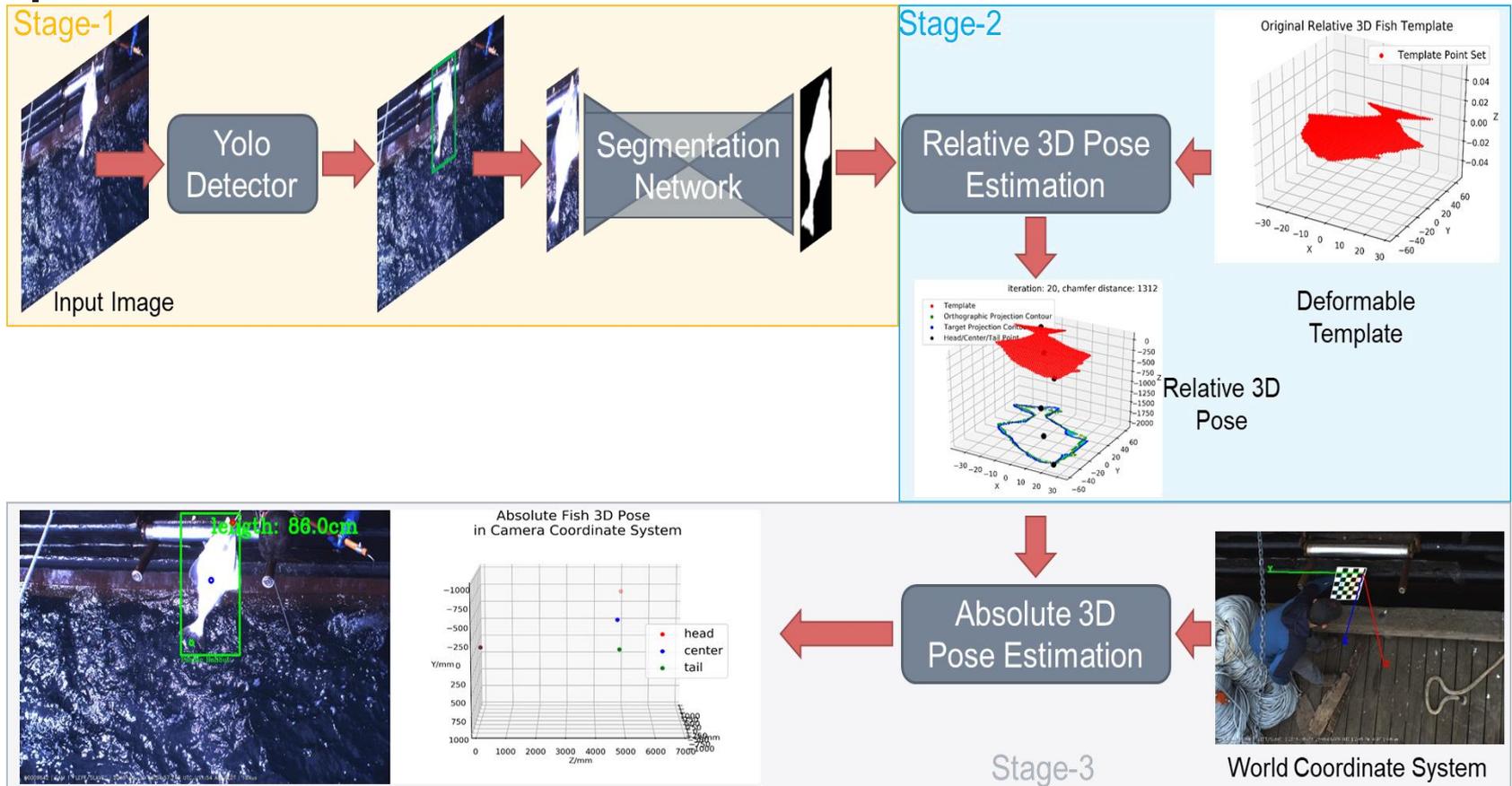
Longline Rail Fishing



- Absolute 3D Pose Estimation and Length Measurement of Severely Deformed Fish from Monocular Videos in Rail Fishing



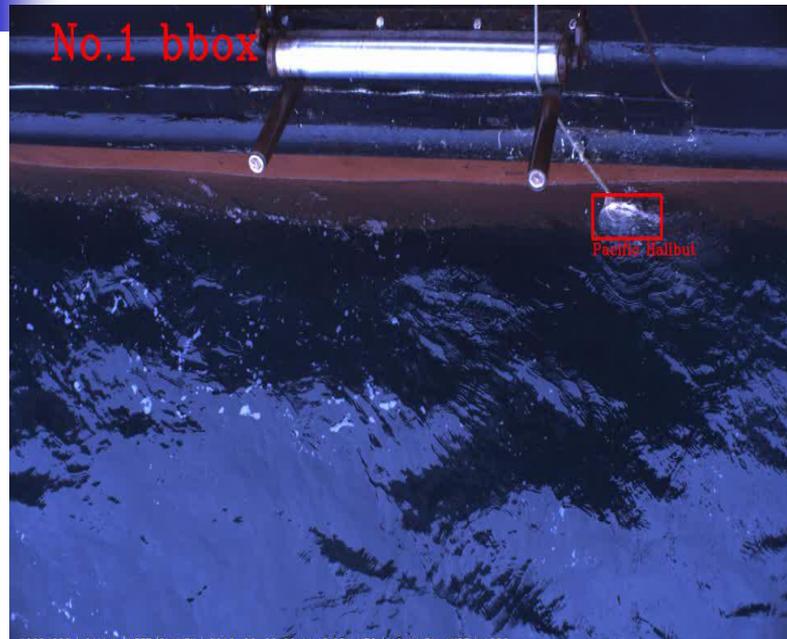
Fish Tracking (Counting) and Length Measurement



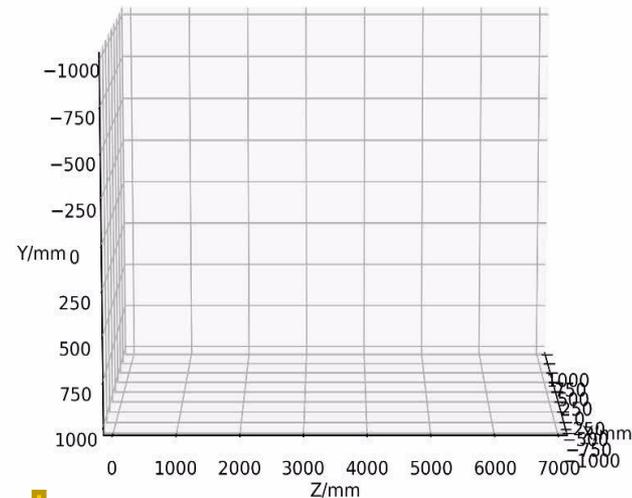
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Track based Length Measurement from Absolute 3D Pose Estimation



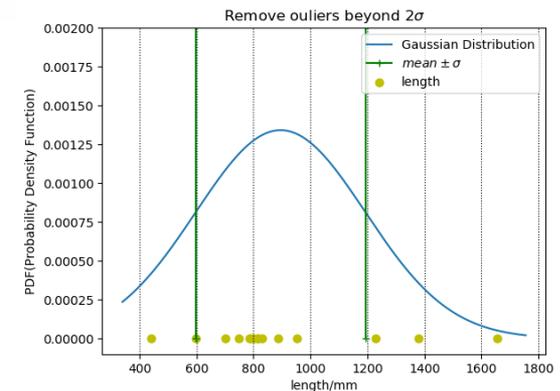
head, tail, center points in camera coordinate



Z=0 plane is image plane

Method	Bias(mm)	EMD(mm)	RMSD	KL
Stereo	-40.5	46.0	7.9%	0.26
BFS	-10.2	24.2	5.6%	0.11
BFS w/o Bending	-55.4	60.0	7.9%	0.28
Ours w/o Bending	-95.4	99.3	10.4%	0.53
Ours	-9.3	43.1	7.3%	0.23

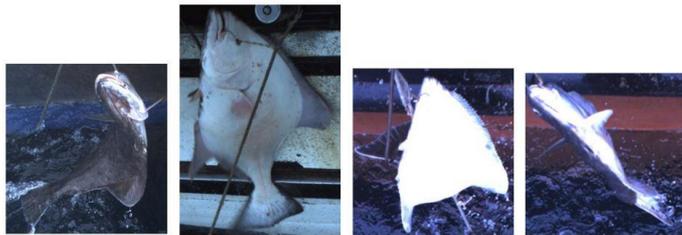
738 fish samples





Rail Fishing Species ID

- Choice of feature
 - **Discriminative** features
 - **Robust to deformation** of fish and viewing angle
- Challenges
 - High visual similarity among fish species
 - Large within-class variation due to pose and shape changes



Pacific Halibut



Arrowtooth Flounder



Hard Snout Skates

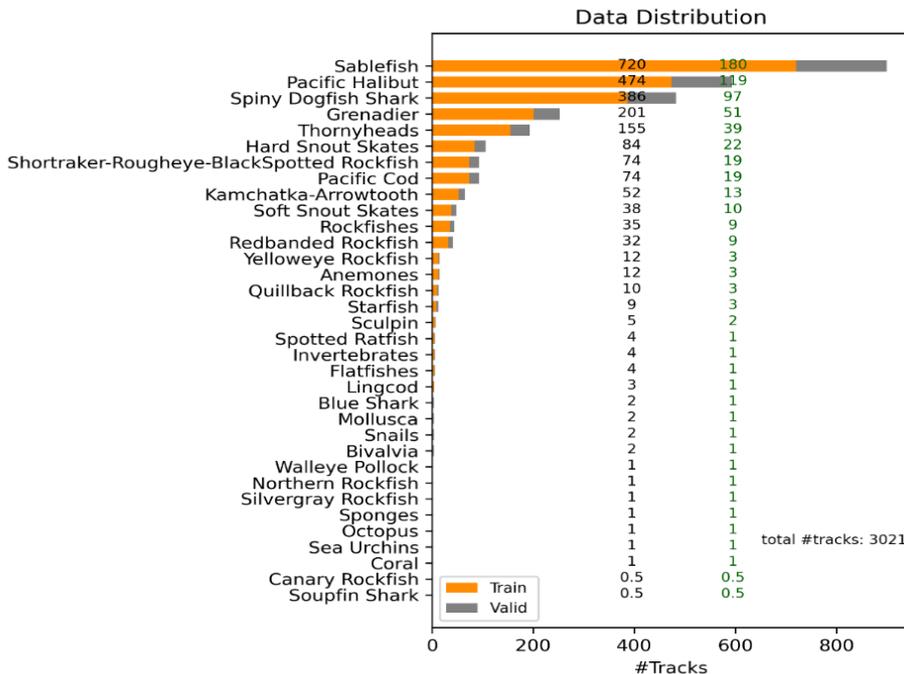


Soft Snout Skates

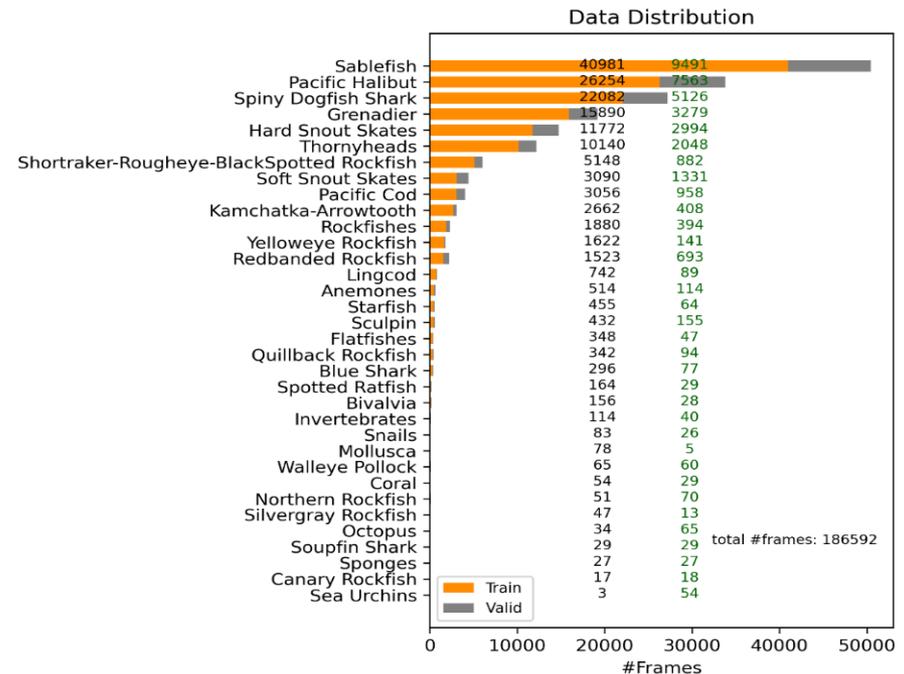


Track-based Species ID

- Track-based data split for train/evaluation



Track #

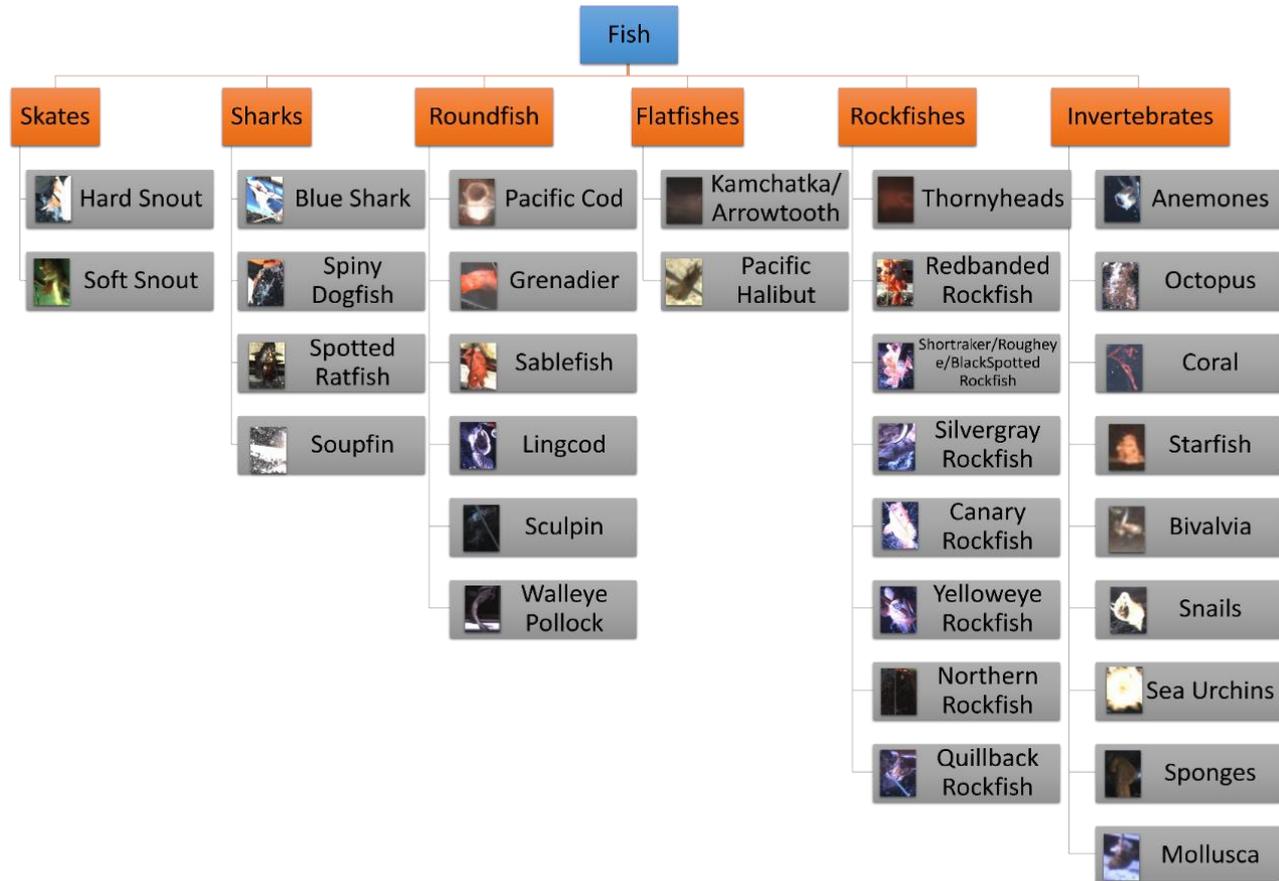


Frame #



Hierarchical Species ID

Level-1 (6 groups)
Level-2 (31 species)





Experimental Results

Ablation study

Model	Unit	Level-1	Level-2 A	Level-2 B	Level-2 C
Baseline	img	-	-	78.3	-
Scheme-1	img	86.3	77.4	77.4	82.0(8567, 27393)
	<i>video*</i>	93.2	86.5	86.6	93.2(298, 319)
	<i>video</i>	93.4	86.5	86.8	93.4(293, 324)
Scheme-2	img	88.4	79.9	80.0	84.6(8660, 27300)
	<i>video*</i>	94.3	88.6	88.9	94.3(329, 288)
	<i>video</i>	94.9	88.9	88.8	94.9(328, 289)
Scheme-3	img	91.0	82.3	82.3	86.3(5830, 30130)
	<i>video*</i>	96.3	90.6	90.3	96.3(286, 331)
	<i>video</i>	96.4	90.9	90.9	96.4(293, 324)

Scheme-1: 7 head, w/o multiplication, Loss1
Scheme-2: 7 head, w/ multiplication, Loss1
Scheme-3: 7 head, w/ multiplication, Loss2

'video' : Average confidence score among 31 species to pick one predicted species for each track.
'video*' : Majority vote to pick one predicted species for each track

A: max score from level-1, then max score from level-2
B: max score out of 31
C: max score out of 31, but can stop at level-1(threshold 0.91)



Conclusion

- Real-time **sensing, communication, computing and control** is being realized everywhere -- smart city, smart car, intelligent house, smart manufacturing, etc
- **Big data** allow machine learning and AI to be effective and possibly **real-time response**, thanks to powerful communication and computing
- Every fishing boat or underwater camera on the ocean is an **IoT sensor** for exploration – **big fishery data**
- From analyzing these big fishery visual data -- a step toward **Smart Fishery and Smart Ocean**