# Deep Geolocalization and Siamese Nets

**Computer Vision** 

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Figure 2. Transforming fully connected layers into convolution layers enables a classification net to output a heatmap. Adding layers and a spatial loss (as in Figure 1) produces an efficient machine for end-to-end dense learning.



#### Long, Shelhamer, and Darrell 2014

# PlaNet - Photo Geolocation with Convolutional Neural Networks

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#### Discretization of Globe



Figure 2. Left: Adaptive partitioning of the world into 26,263 S2 cells. Right: Detail views of Great Britain and Ireland and the San

### Network and Training

- Network Architecture: Inception with 97M parameters
- 26,263 "categories"

- 126 Million Web photos
- 2.5 months of training on 200 CPU cores





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(a)



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**(b)** 



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Namibia / Botswana



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Galapagos Islands



Paris









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# PlaNet vs im2gps (2008, 2009)

	Street	City	Region	Country	Continent
Method	1 km	25 km	200 km	750 km	2500 km
Im2GPS (orig) [17]		12.0%	15.0%	23.0%	47.0%
Im2GPS (new) [18]	2.5%	21.9%	32.1%	35.4%	51.9%
PlaNet	8.4%	24.5%	37.6%	53.6%	71.3%

Method	Manmade Landmark	Natural Landmark	City Scene	Natural Scene	Animal
Im2GPS (new)	61.1	37.4	3375.3	5701.3	6528.0
PlaNet	74.5	61.0	212.6	1803.3	1400.0

### Spatial support for decision





#### PlaNet vs Humans



#### PlaNet vs Humans



### PlaNet summary

- Very fast Geolocalization method. Geolocalization by categorization.
- Uses far more training data than previous work (im2gps)
- There's definitely still room for improvement

### Learning Deep Representations For Ground-to-Aerial Geolocalization

#### Tsung-Yi Lin, Yin Cui, Serge Belongie, James Hays

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#### CVPR 2015

#### View From Your Window Contest

June 9, 2010 – Feb. 4, 2015



Where was the photo taken?



#### Ans: Milano, Italy

### To Geolocalize a Photo



#### One can capture every corner on the earth



#### To Geolocalize a Photo







#### How To Match Ground-to-Aerial?



Shan et al., Accurate Geo-registration by Ground-to-Aerial Image Matching, 3DV'14 Bansal et al., Ultra-wide baseline façade matching for geo-localization, ECCV workshop'12

#### Are these the same location?

#### Ground

Aerial

















#### Are these the same location?



### Why Don't You Just...

• Sparse Keypoint Matching + RANSAC



#### **Cross-view Pairs**









# 7 Cities: 78k Corresponding Pairs





Tokyo



San Diego



Charleston



Rome







#### **Place Verification**



Same OR Different

#### **Face Verification**



Same OR Different

### **Face Verification**



- Chopra and Hadsell and LeCun, Learning a
  Similarity Metric Discriminatively, with
  Application to Face Verification (CVPR 2005)
- Taigman, Yang, Ranzato, Wolf, **DeepFace: Closing the Gap to Human-Level Performance in Face Verification** (CVPR 2014)
- Schroff, Kalenichenko, Philbin, FaceNet: A Unified Embedding for Face Recognition and Clustering (CVPR 2015)

Huang et al. Labeled Faces in the Wild: A Database for Studying Face Recognition in Unconstrained Environments

#### "Siamese" ConvNet for Ground-to-Aerial Matching 4096 Mean-Variance Normalization 4096 Fully Connected 4096 Fully Connected 6x6x256 Loss Layer Max Pooling 13x13x25 f<sub>B</sub>(y) f<sub>≜</sub>(x Convolution 13x13x25 Convolution 13x13x25 Convolution 13x13x25 Local Normalization A (CNN) B (CNN) 13x13x25 Max Pooling 27x27x25 Convolution **▲** 27x27x96 Local Normalization 27x27x96 у Max Pooling Labels **Data Pairs** 55x55x96 Convolution A 227x227

Image

#### "Siamese" ConvNet for Ground-to-Aerial Matching





#### "Siamese" ConvNet for Ground-to-Aerial Matching



#### **Contrastive Loss**



#### Pair Distance Distribution



# Quantitative Evaluation (AP)

- Random: 5% (1:20 pos. to neg. pairs)
- HoG2x2 (BoW): 7.9%
- Places-CNN: 10.2%
- ImageNet-CNN: 11.3%
- Where-CNN (ours): 41.9%

### Share The Same Parameters?



- For face verification A and B share parameters
- For ground-aerial image pairs, should A, B share parameters?

#### **Quantitative Evaluation**









(b) Hard negative pairs.









#### **Strongest Activations of Particular Units**



### Geolocalization







#### Street-view Query

#### Bird's Eye Matches







### Conclusions

- Localize images without corresponding ground-level images
- Create a large-scale training dataset from public data sources
- Learning feature representations for matching cross-view images