

# Modern Boundary Detection II

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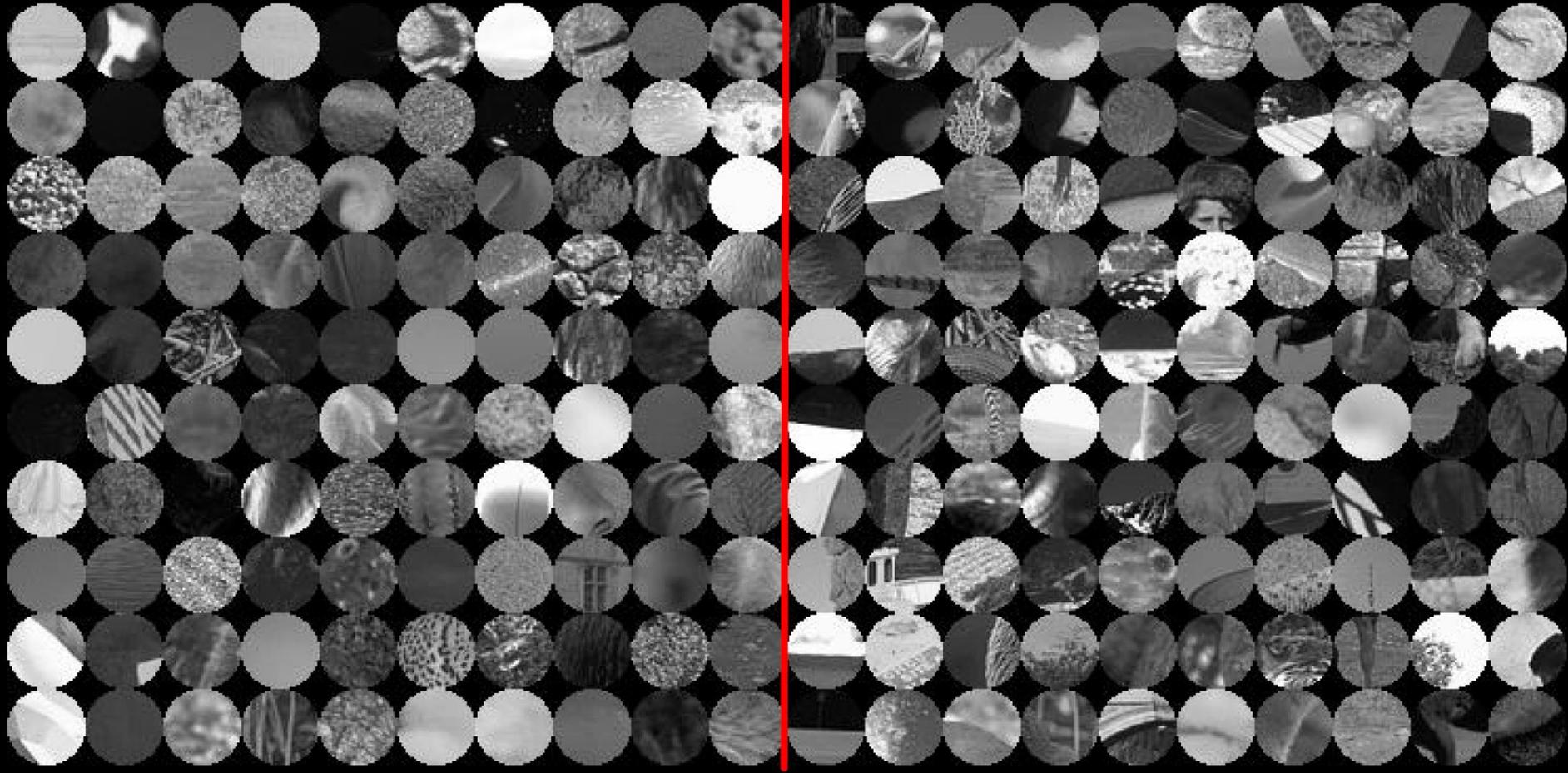
# Today's lecture

- pB boundary detector, from “local” to “global”
- Finding Junctions
- Sketch Tokens

# How good are humans locally?

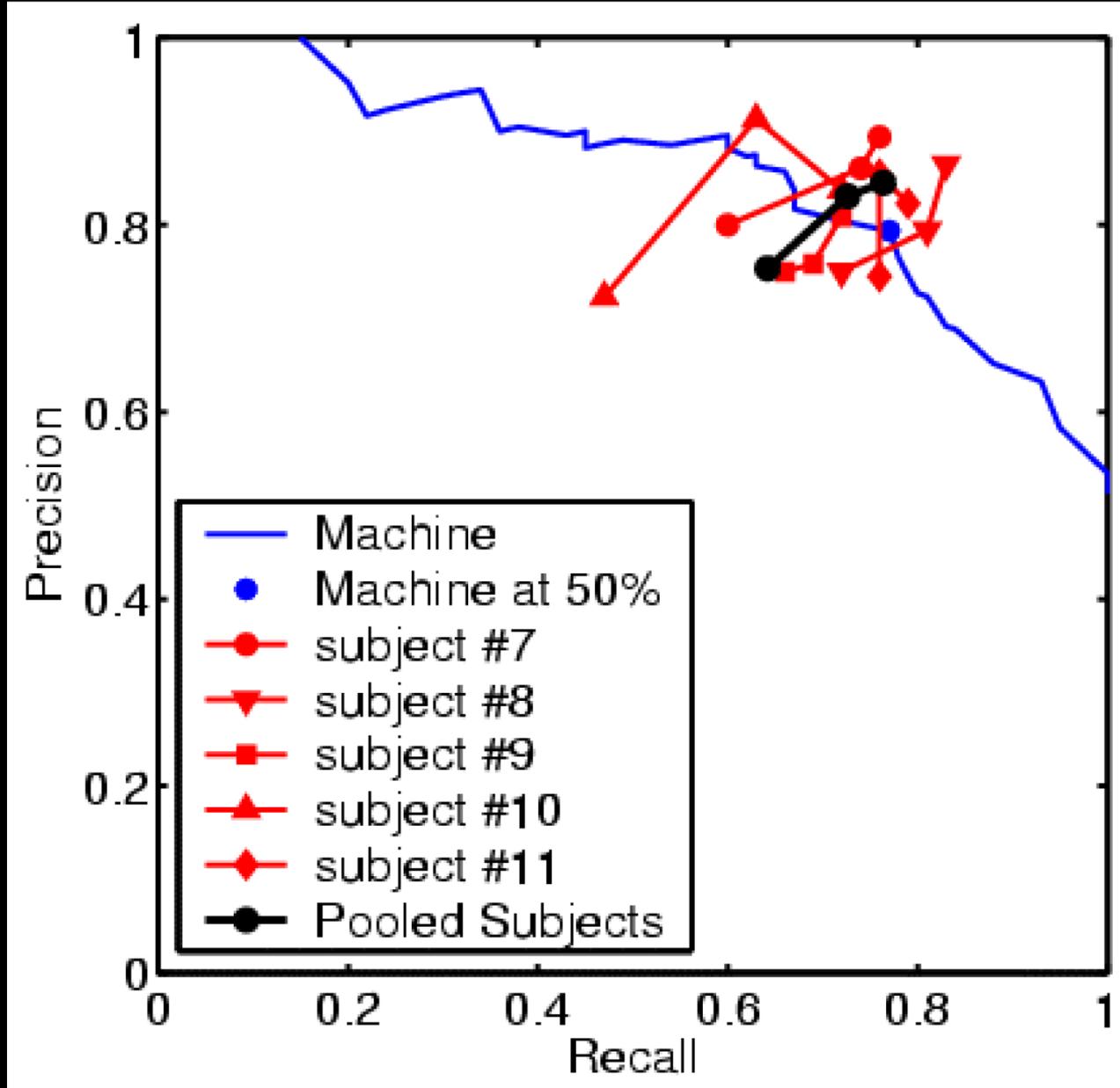
Off-Boundary

On-Boundary



- Algorithm:  $r = 9$ , Humans:  $r = \{5, 9, 18\}$
- Fixation(2s)  $\rightarrow$  Patch(200ms)  $\rightarrow$  Mask(1s)

# Man versus Machine:

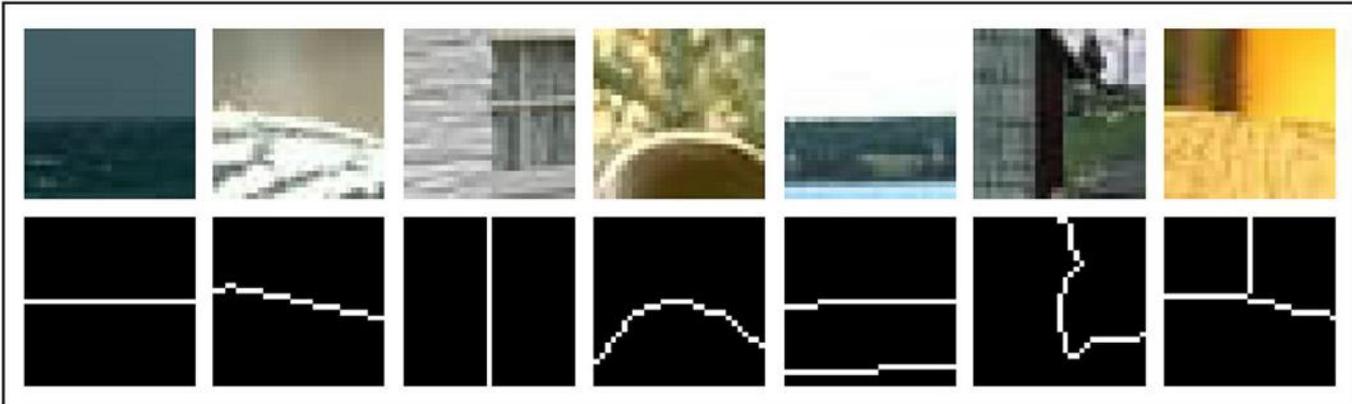
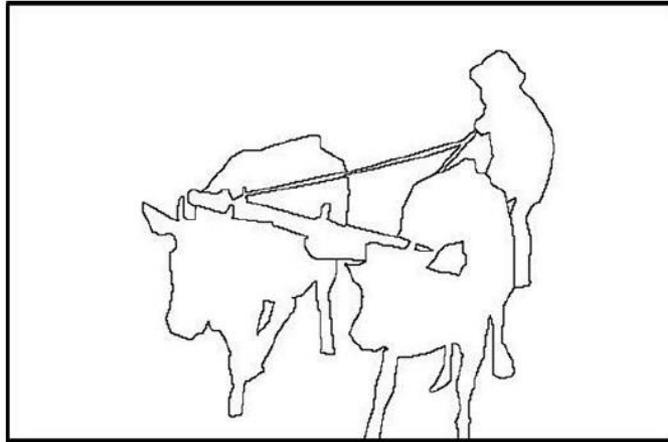


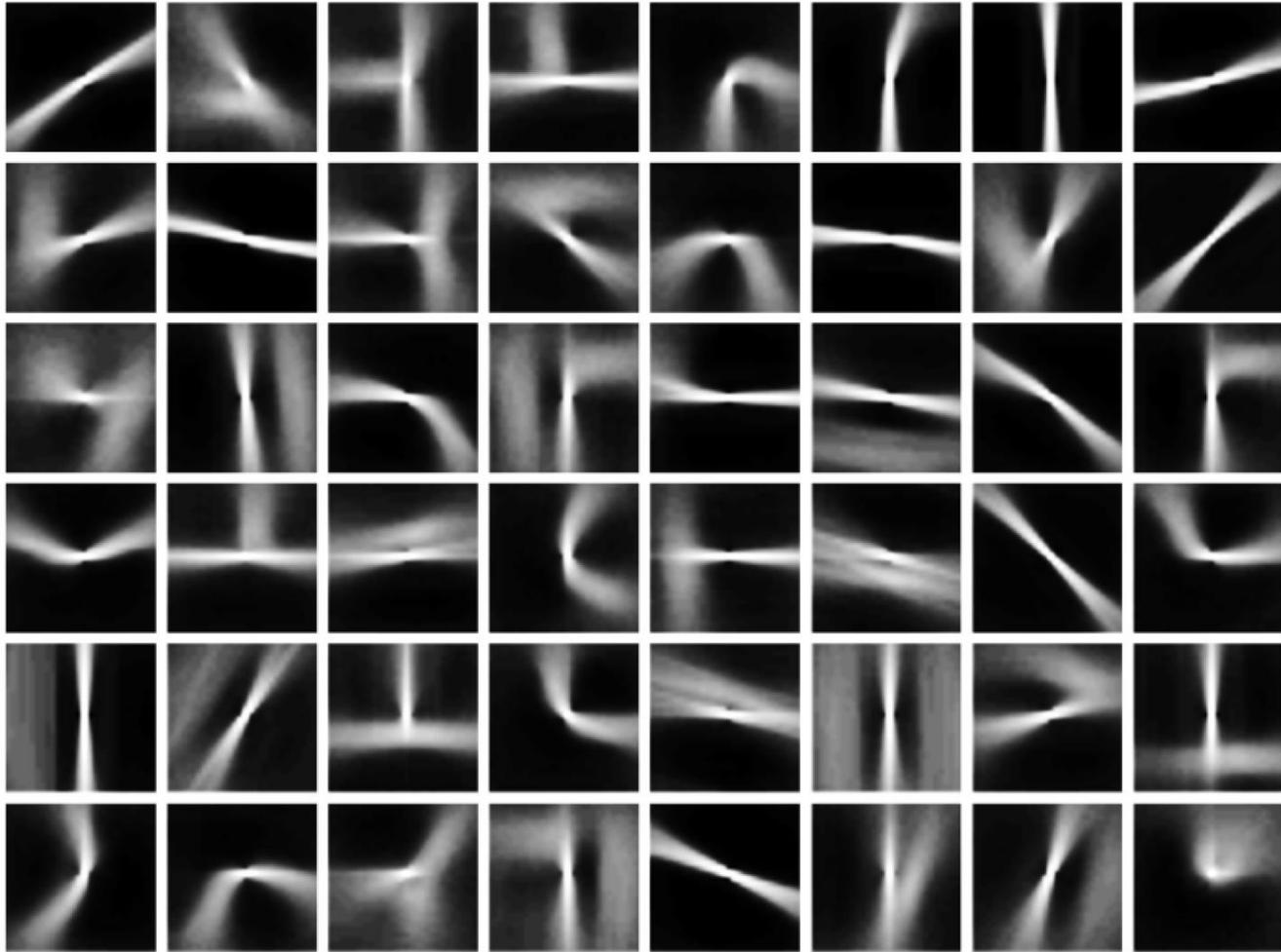




# Sketch Tokens: A Learned Mid-level Representation for Contour and Object Detection

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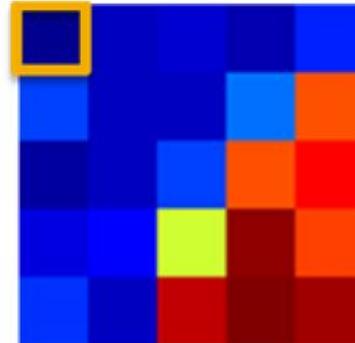
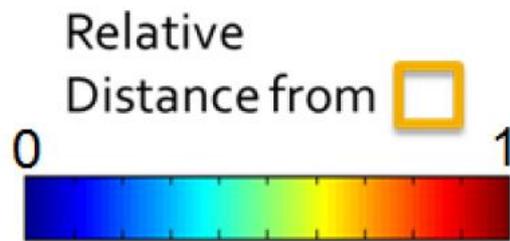
# Image Features – 21350 dimensions!

- 35x35 patches centered at every pixel
- 35x35 “channels” of many types:
  - Color (3 channels)
  - Gradients (3 unoriented + 8 oriented channels)
    - Sigma = 0, Theta = 0,  $\pi/2$ ,  $\pi$ ,  $3\pi/2$
    - Sigma = 1.5, Theta = 0,  $\pi/2$ ,  $\pi$ ,  $3\pi/2$
    - Sigma = 5
  - Self Similarity
    - 5x5 maps of self similarity within the above channels for a particular anchor point.

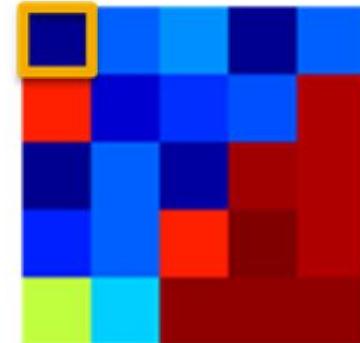
# Self-similarity features



Original



Magnitude



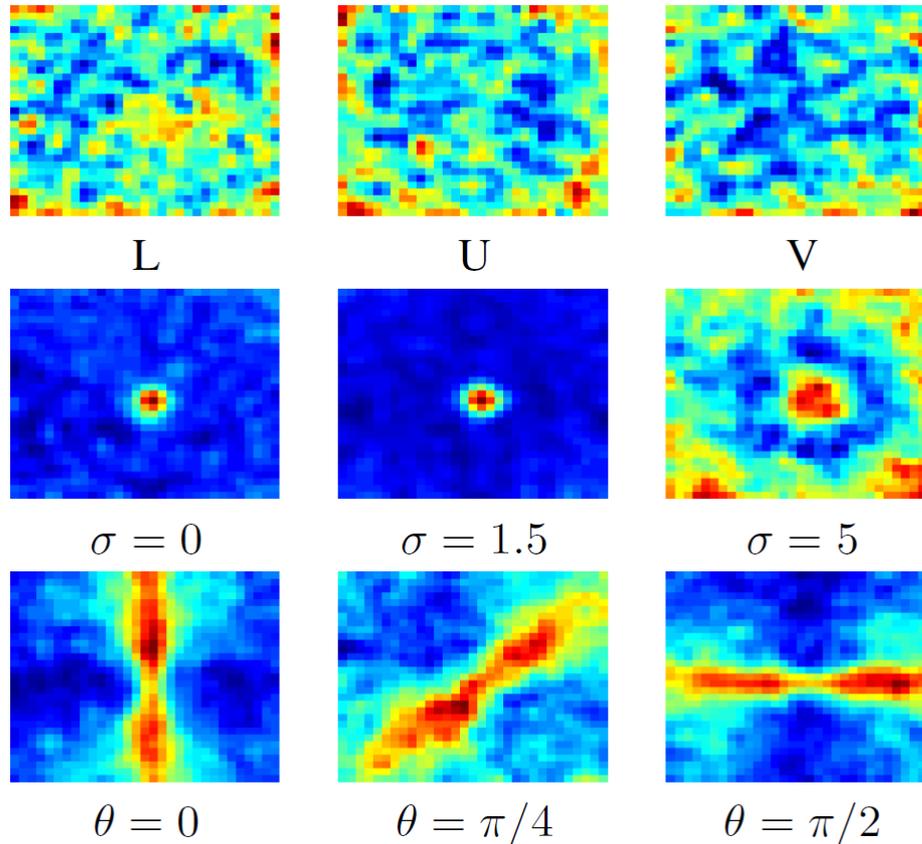
Color

Self-similarity features: The L1 distance from the anchor cell (yellow box) to the other 5 x 5 cells are shown for color and gradient magnitude channels. The original patch is shown to the left.

# Learning

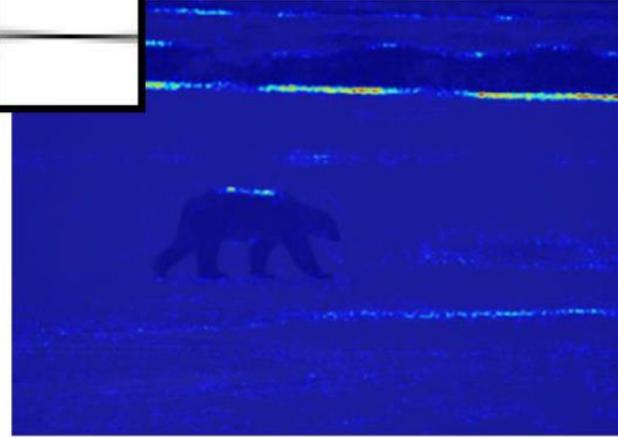
- Random Forest Classifiers, one for each sketch token + background, trained 1-vs-all
- Advantages:
  - Fast at test time, especially for a non-linear classifier.
  - Don't have to explicitly compute independent descriptors for every patch. Just look up what the decision tree wants to know at each branch.

# Learning

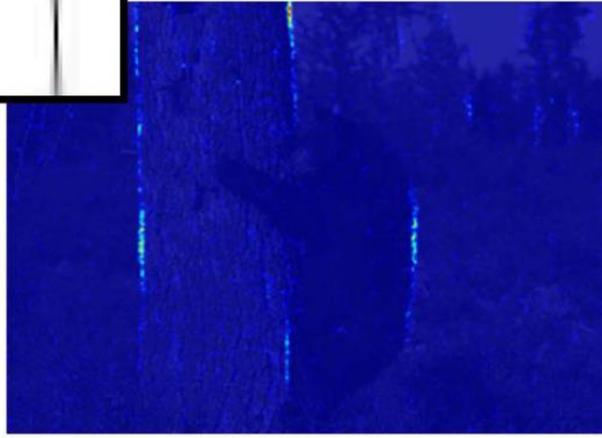
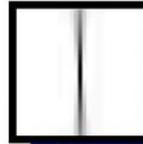
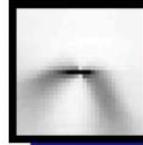


Frequency of example features being selected by the random forest:  
(first row) color channels, (second row) gradient magnitude channels,  
(third row) selected orientation channels.

# Detections of individual sketch tokens

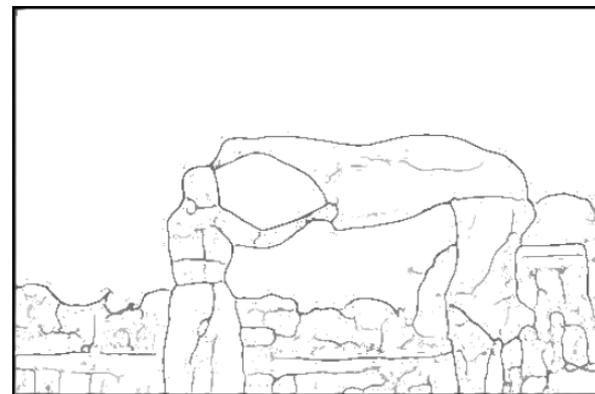
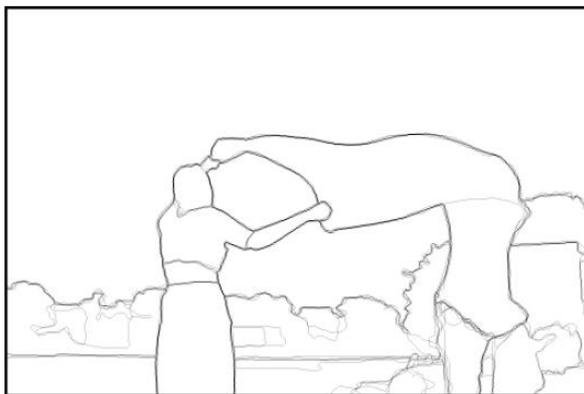
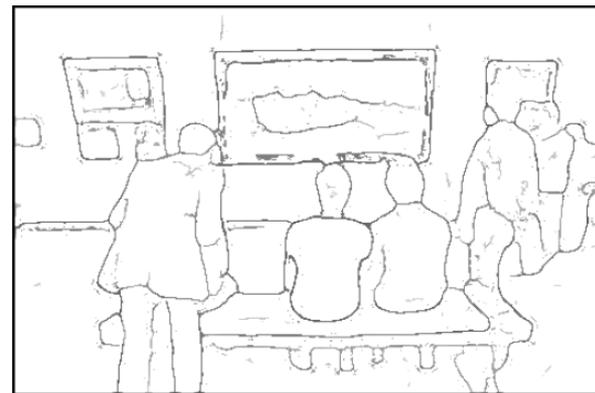
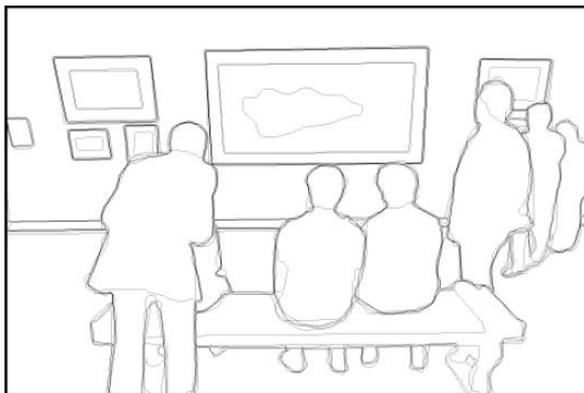
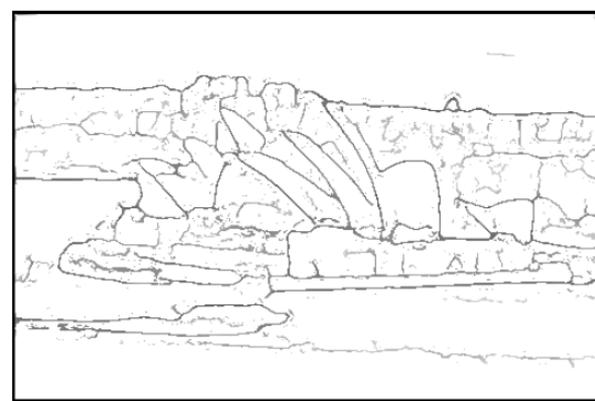
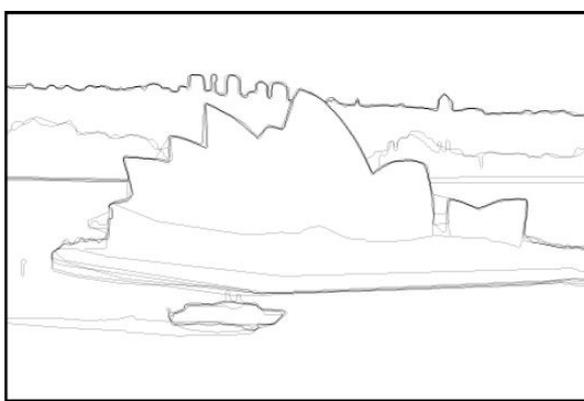


# Detections of individual sketch tokens



# Combining sketch token detections

- Simply add the probability of all non-background sketch tokens
- Free parameter: number of sketch tokens
  - $k = 1$  works poorly,  $k = 16$  and above work OK.



Input Image

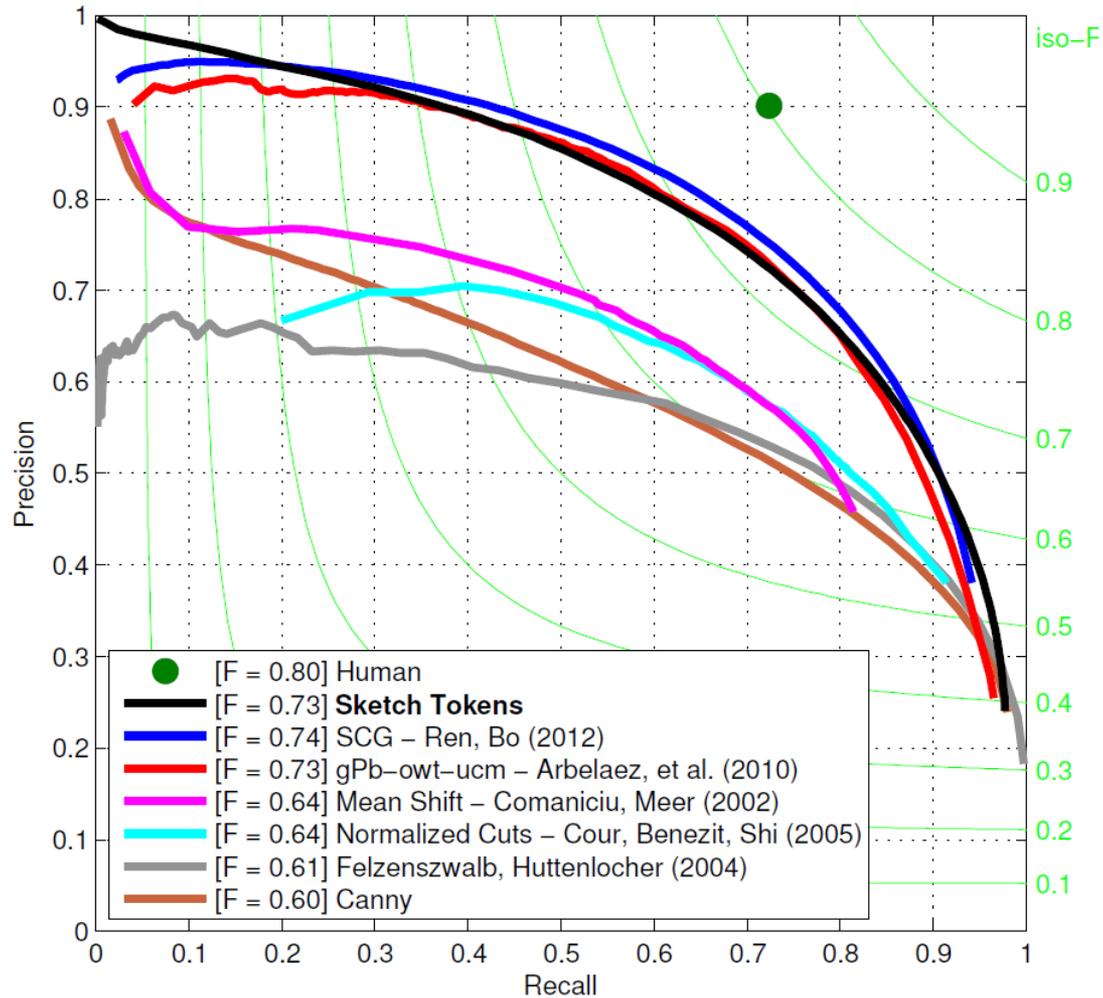
Ground Truth

Sketch Tokens

# Evaluation on BSDS

Method	ODS	OIS	AP	Speed
Human	.80	.80	-	-
Canny	.60	.64	.58	1/15 s
Felz-Hutt [12]	.61	.64	.56	1/10 s
gPb (local) [1]	.71	.74	.65	60 s
SCG (local) [24]	.72	.74	.75	100 s
<b>Sketch tokens</b>	<b>.73</b>	<b>.75</b>	<b>.78</b>	<b>1 s</b>
gPb (global) [1]	.73	.76	.73	240 s
SCG (global) [24]	.74	.76	.77	280 s

# Evaluation on BSDS



# Summary

- Distinct from previous work, cluster the *human annotations* to discover the mid-level structures that you want to detect.
- Train a classifier for every sketch token.
- Is as accurate as any other method while being 200 times faster and using no global information.