

Research Thrust RA: Real Time Threat Detection and Mitigation



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So What? Who Cares?

- Command centers for protection of soft targets and crowded spaces can benefit from decision support systems
 - Multiple sources of diverse inputs
 - Significant uncertainty as to status and future evolution of threat
 - Complex decisions with difficult options to evaluate
- SENTRY has a thrust doing research on potential analytics to be used in command centers
 - Will provide a brief overview of these activities
- TRL: 1-2



RA: Real Time Threat Detection and Mitigation

Objectives: Develop decision support systems for enhanced protection of STCPs

RA.1: Real-time Management of Adaptive Surveillance and Mitigation

- Investigators: Mario Sznaier (Project lead, NU), Milad Siami (NU), Stacy Marsella (NU), Richard John (USC), David Castañón (BU)

RA.2: Low Complexity, AI-based Fusion of Crowd-Sourced Heterogeneous Data Streams

- Investigator: Eric Miller (Tufts)

RA.3: Real-time Video Surveillance for Threat Detection and Mitigation

- Investigators: Rich Radke (Project lead, RPI), Octavia Camps (NU), Henry Medeiros (U. Florida)

RA.1 Real-time Management - Surveillance and Mitigation

Algorithms for sensor management for multi-function camera networks

- Broad surveillance, detailed ID & inspection
- Motivation: Threat detection, confirmation, alarm resolution, with extension to other sensors



Models of human behavior in active shooter scenarios

- Human subjects in simulated immersive games
- Key questions: How is individual behavior influenced?
- Goal: integrate behavior into agent models for control design
- Status: experiments designed, about to start

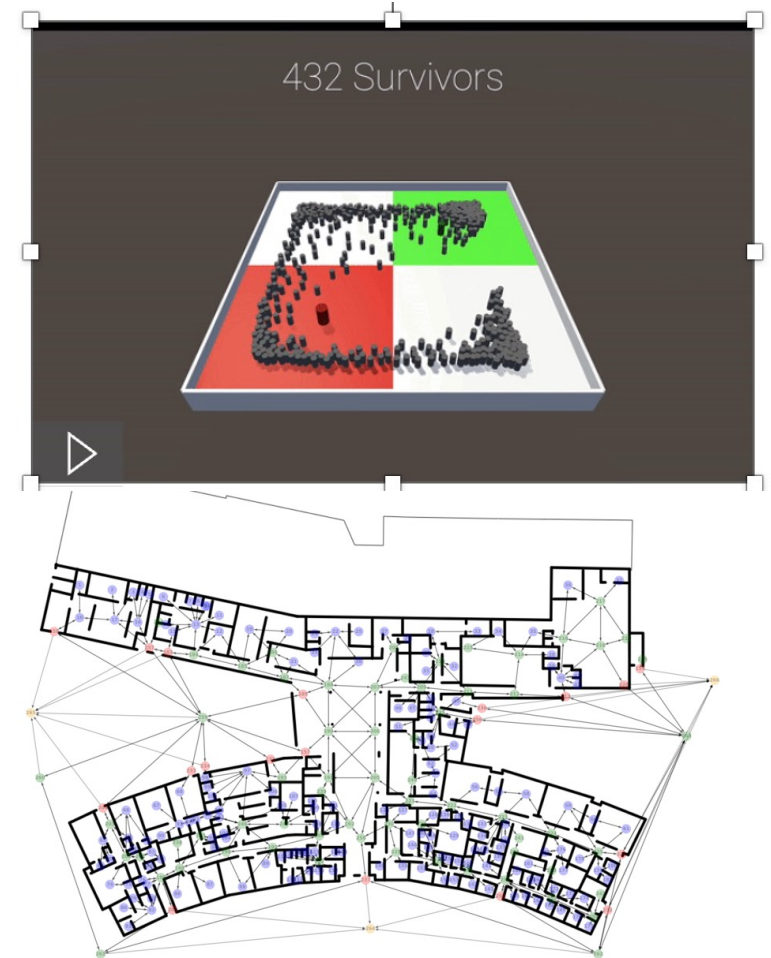




RA.1 Real-time Management - Surveillance and Mitigation

Control algorithms for steering crowds in danger situations with guiding agents: enhancing run-hide-fight

- Extensions of predator-prey agent models
- Goal: reduce casualties through optimizing guidance agent
- Network algorithms for planning crowd migration to safe areas
 - Extension of approaches for vehicle evacuation in disaster areas



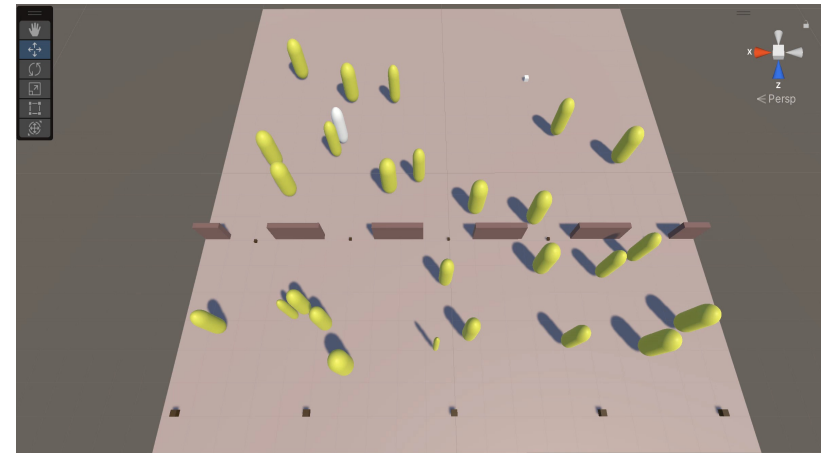


RA.2 Low Complexity Fusion of Crowd-Sourced Data

- To address limitations in available data sets, developed synthetic models for generating data from personal devices
 - Exploiting gaming industry tools for simulating crowd dynamics
- Multiple scenarios to motivate research:
 - Bottleneck corridor, Transit platform
- Extensions to exploit data from wi-fi networks in progress

- Transit Scenario

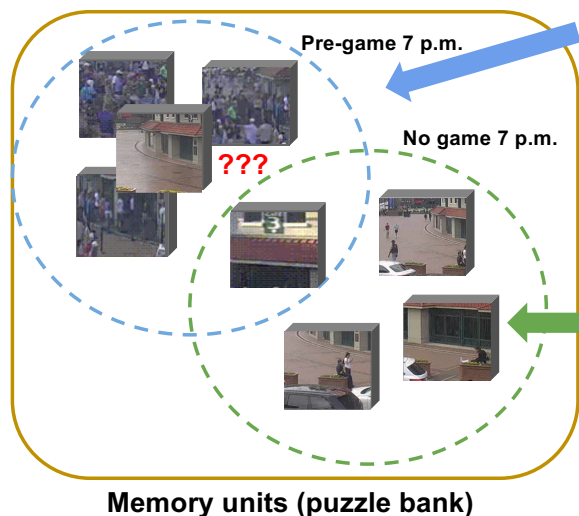
- Passengers (white)
- Passengers follow path to assigned train door
- Non-passenger agents present in scene, affecting passenger motion





RA.3 Real-time Video Surveillance

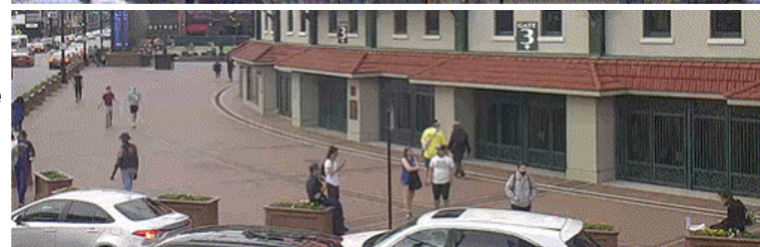
- Goal: Detect anomalies in crowds with respect to their context
 - Normal activities depend on time, date, environment, ... data from public cameras
- Baseline: Models trained for each situation
- New approach: Single model built on modular architecture using memory units



Pre-game
7 p.m.



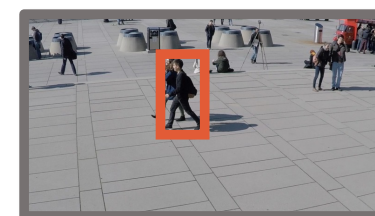
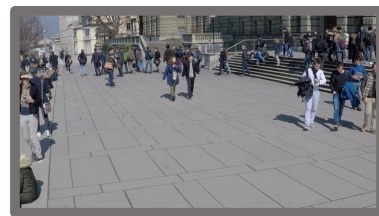
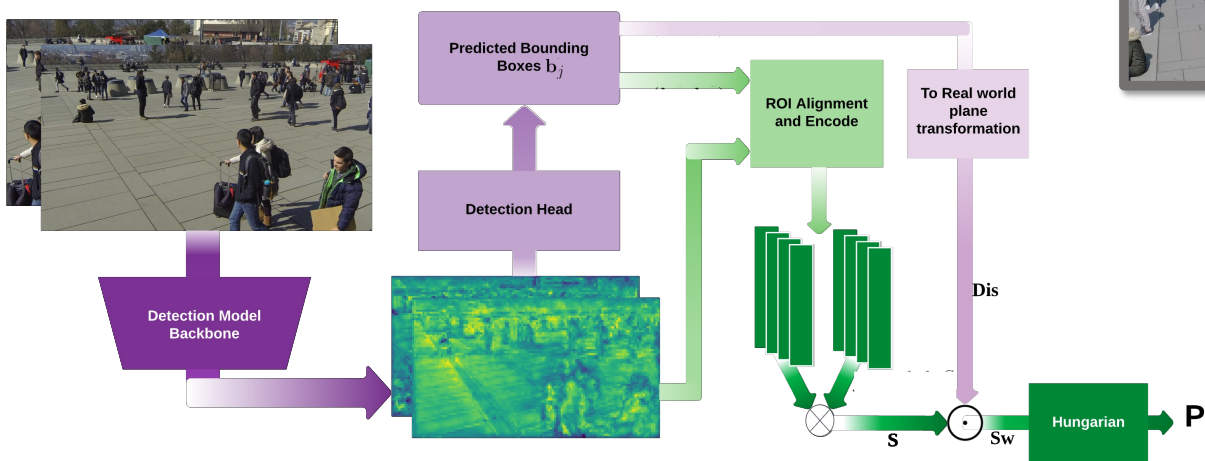
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RA.3 Real-time Video Surveillance

- Algorithms for camera selection in real-time video surveillance
 - Developed full multi-person tracking algorithm
 - Integrated into framework for camera selection
- Architecture:



	MODA	Prec.	Rec.
MVDet	88.2	94.7	93.6
Ours	94.2	97.1	97.1

Wildtrack

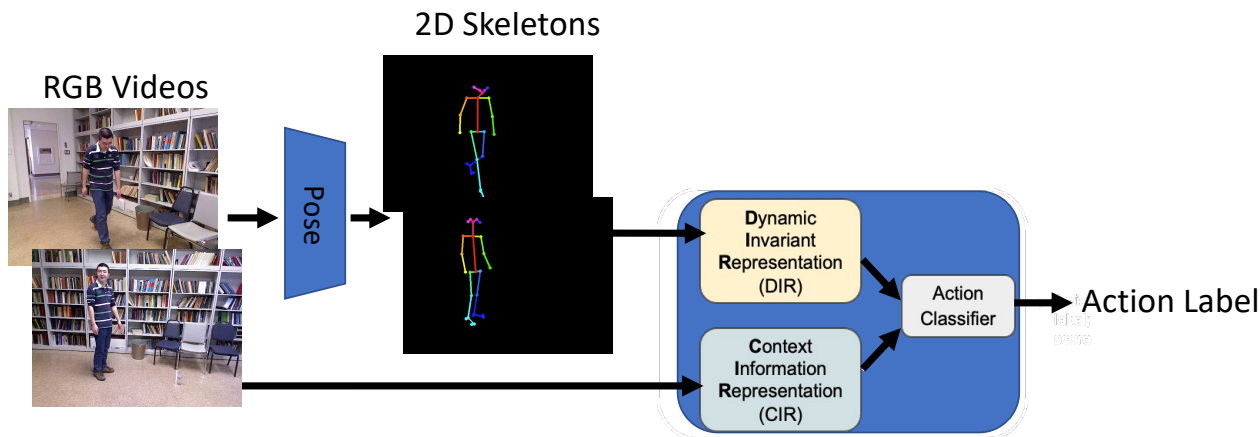
	MODA	Prec.	Rec.
MVDet	83.9	96.8	86.7
Ours	92.7	96.3	96.3

MultiviewX



RA.3 Real-time Video Surveillance

- Action recognition using dynamics invariants
 - Challenges: appearance changes with viewpoint, hard to train multi-camera systems from possible geometries
 - Goal: recognize actions in videos from unseen viewpoints in training data
- Approach: Learn dynamics-based viewpoint invariant features from the trajectories of human joints
 - Initial tests show significant improvements over state of the art on academic benchmarks



Dataset	Cross-subject OURS and Previous SOTA	Cross-view OURS and Previous SOTA
N-UCLA	97.5 (87.5)	99.4 (83.1)
NTU-60	97.6 (97.0)	99.4 (99.6)
NTU-120	95.8 (95.3)	97.3 (96.4)
UWA3D II	-	84.4 (81.4)



RA Summary

- Many challenges remain
 - Conduct of human subject experiments to refine models
 - Collection of relevant scenarios/data for SENTRY environments
 - Development of real-time algorithms
 - Evaluation of performance tradeoffs in SENTRY-relevant applications
- Connections to Virtual Sentry Framework:
 - Provides the foundations for analytics useful in Command Centers
 - Identifies data, computation requirements for decision support