

Sediment Volume Search Sonar: Automated Detection and Classification Algorithms

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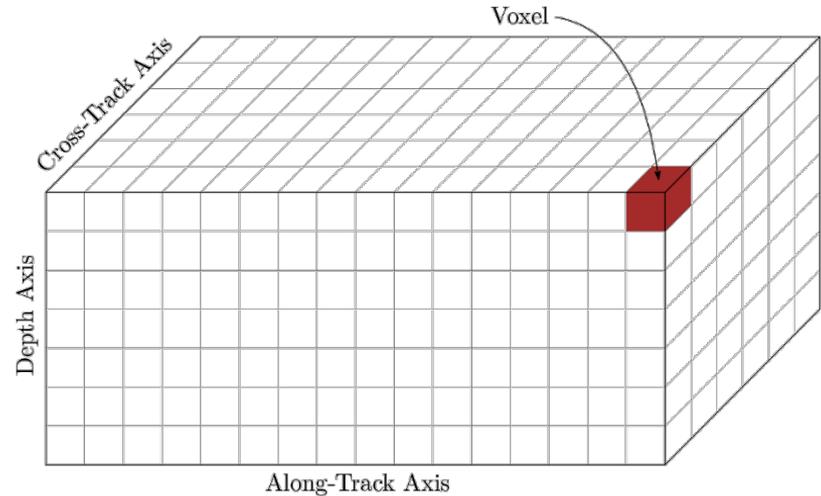
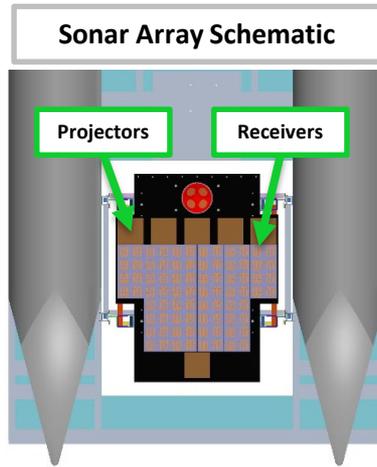
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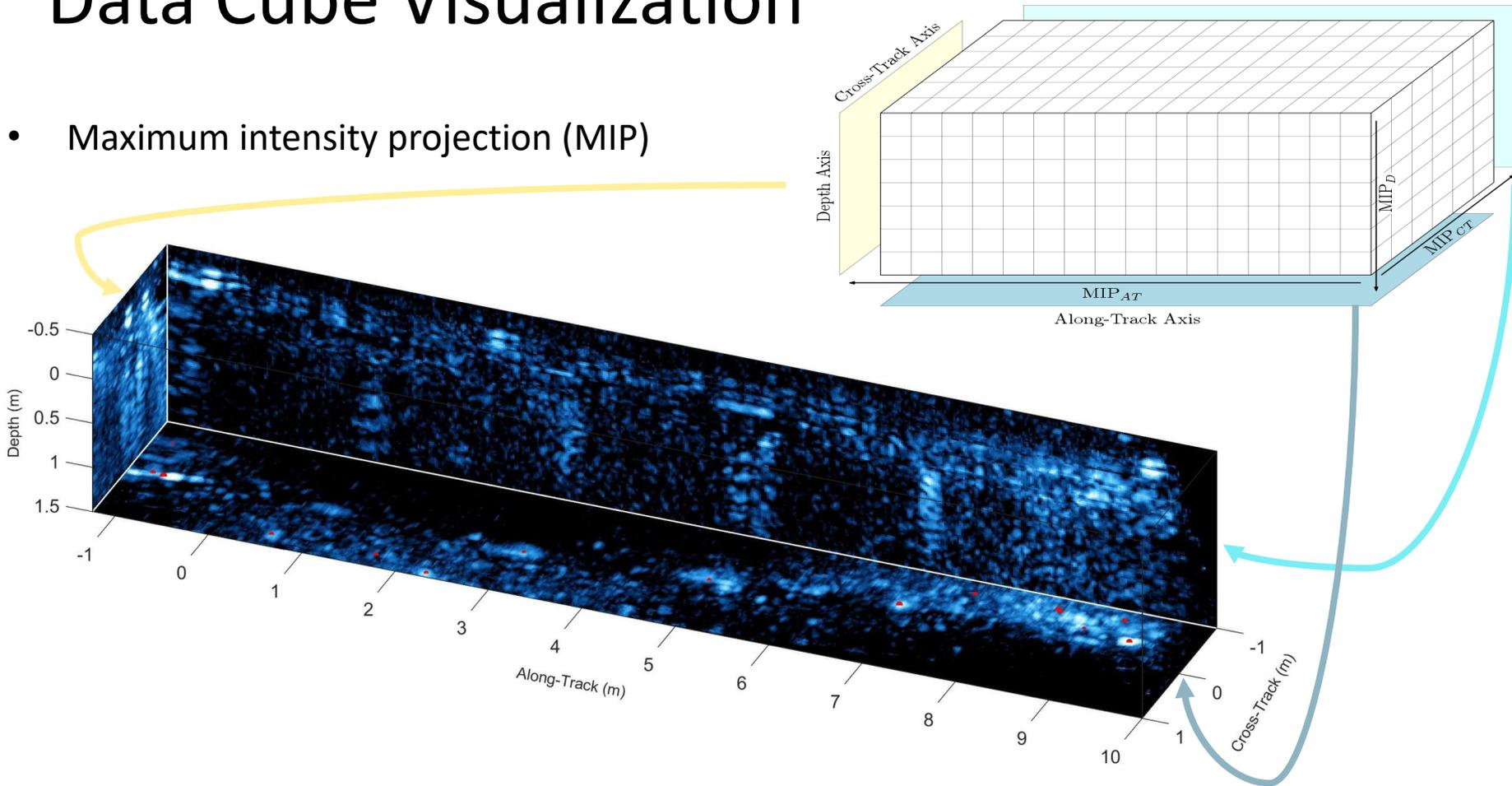
Sediment Volume Search Sonar (SVSS)

- Detect proud and buried unexploded ordnance (UXO) in shallow water



Data Cube Visualization

- Maximum intensity projection (MIP)

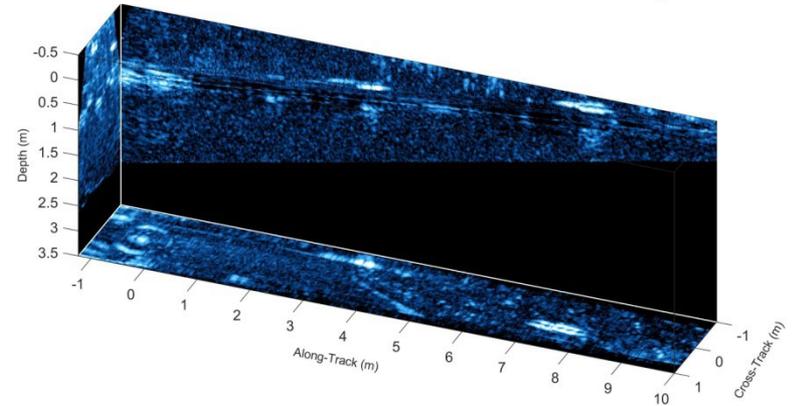
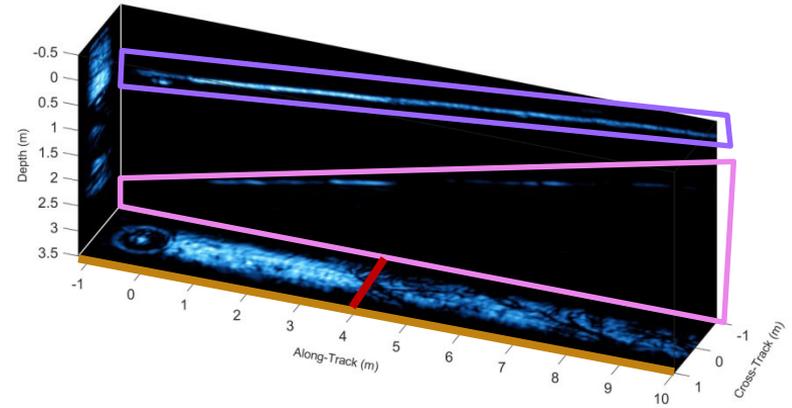


ATR Approach

- Two-stage ATR approach
 - Fast, simple, general-purpose MondrianB detector
 - Generate set of alarms to classify
 - Reduces amount of data to process
 - Follow-on, more sophisticated convolutional neural network (CNN) classifiers
 - Ensemble of tiny CNNs using different architectures and also different input representations
 - Leverage all available information in robust manner

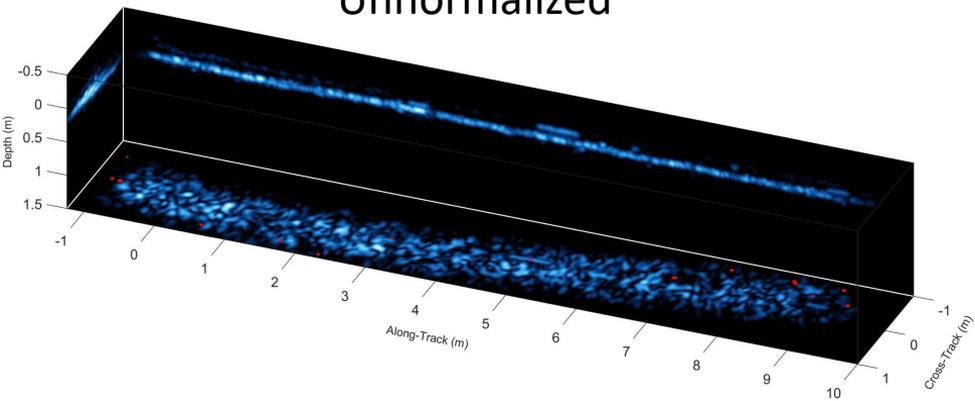
Normalization Algorithm

1. Determine **dominant interface**
2. Determine **multipath region**
3. For each **cross-track position x** , compute median of depth slice
4. For each **along-track position y** , compute median of depth slice
5. Convert to logarithmic scale

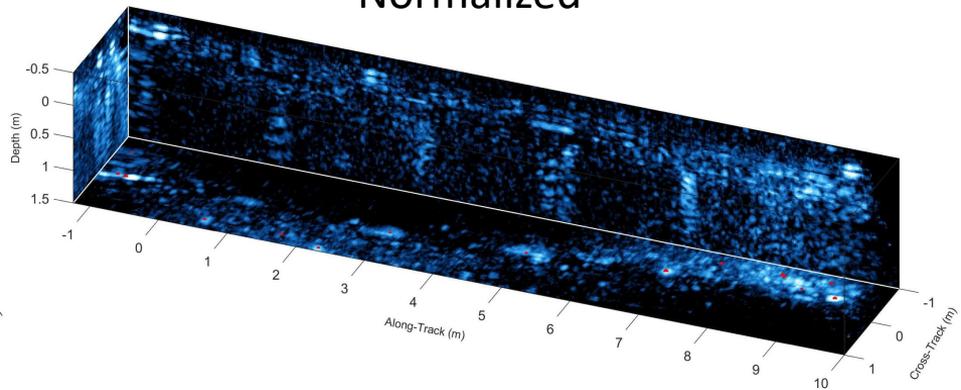


Impact of Normalization

Unnormalized



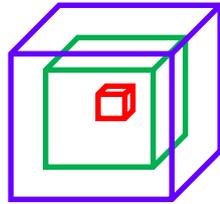
Normalized



Detection Algorithm: MondrianB

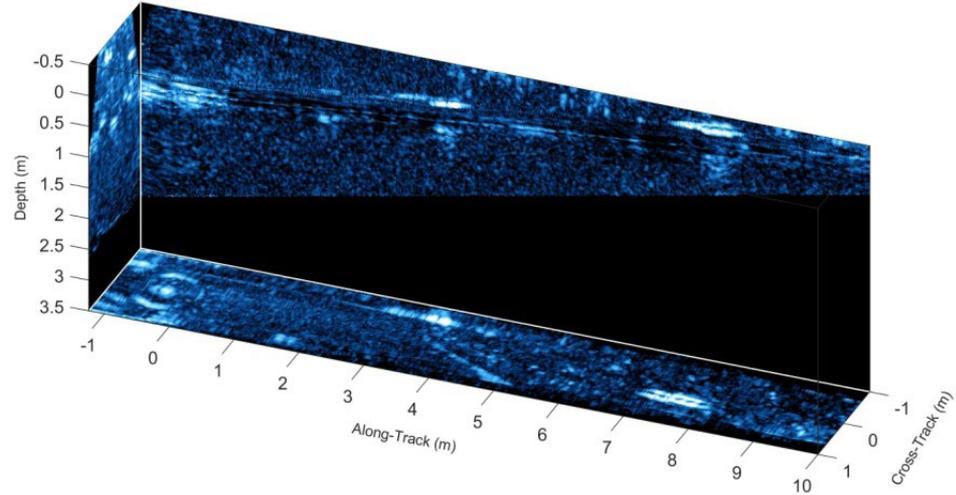
- Compute summed intensity in three concentric volumes

- Target
- Guard
- Background



- Target-to-background ratio test

$$\left(\frac{n_B - n_G}{n_T} \right) \left(\frac{T(x, y, z)}{B(x, y, z) - G(x, y, z)} \right) \geq \tau_s$$



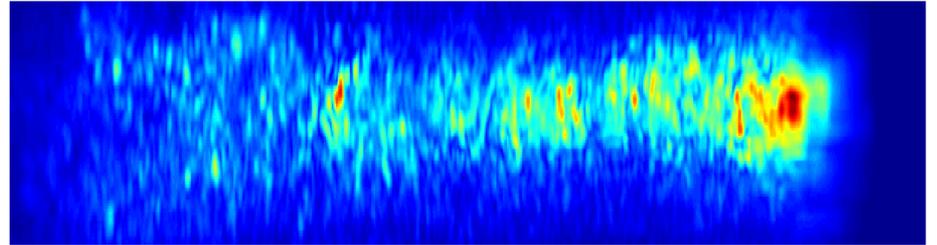
Integral Images

- A: Image (data)
- W: Integral image
- U: Summed intensity in a block

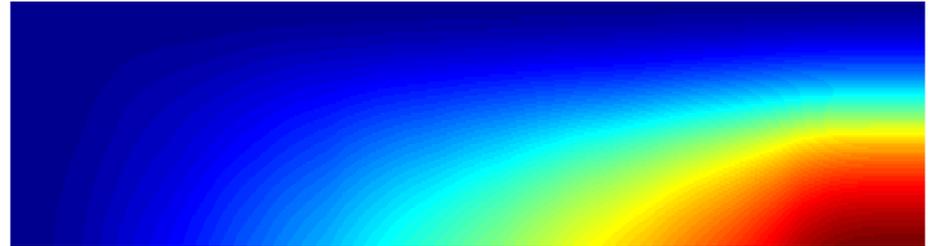
$$W(x, y, z) = \sum_{x' \leq x} \sum_{y' \leq y} \sum_{z' \leq z} A(x', y', z')$$

$$U = \sum_{j \in \{0,1\}^3} (-1)^{3 - \|j\|_1} W(\alpha^j)$$

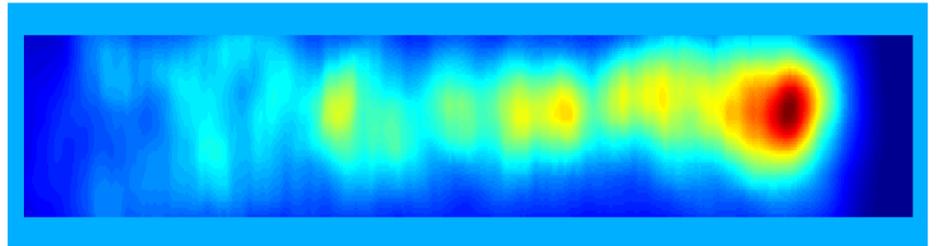
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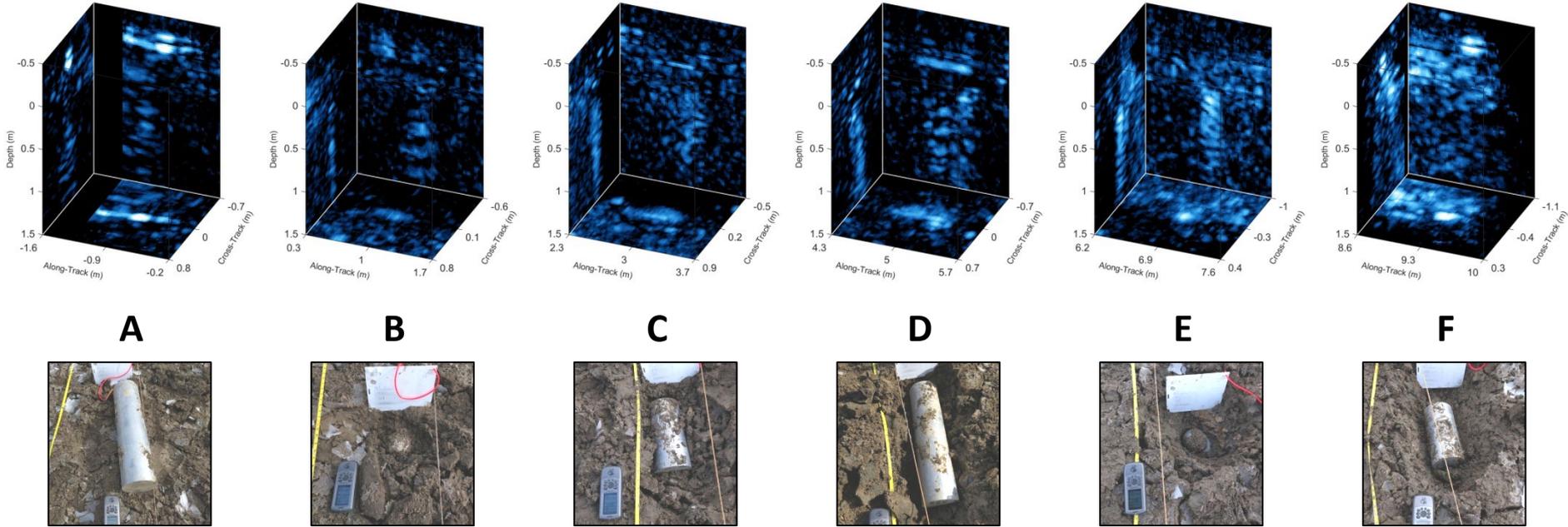
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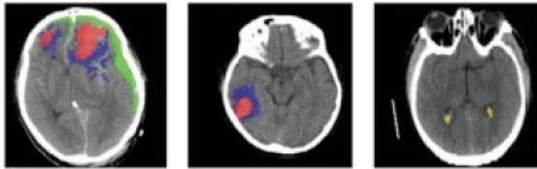
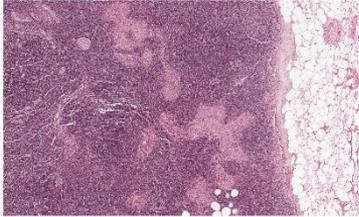
Example Target Alarms



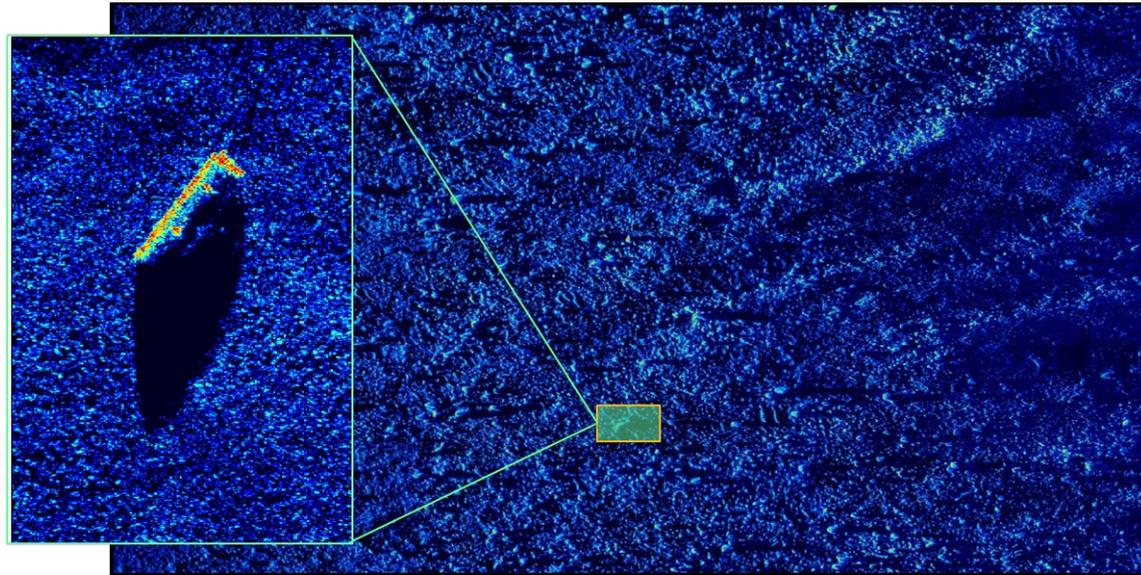
Classification

- Take alarms generated by MondrianB detector and make predictions with classifier(s)
- CNN-based approach
 - 8 new basic CNN architectures designed
 - Different architectures uncover/exploit different clues
 - “Vanilla” architecture: alternating convolutional blocks and pooling layers
 - Ensemble approach in terms of architectures and also in terms of input data representations
 - Tiny CNNs to balance network complexity with amount of labeled data available
 - Avoid overfitting

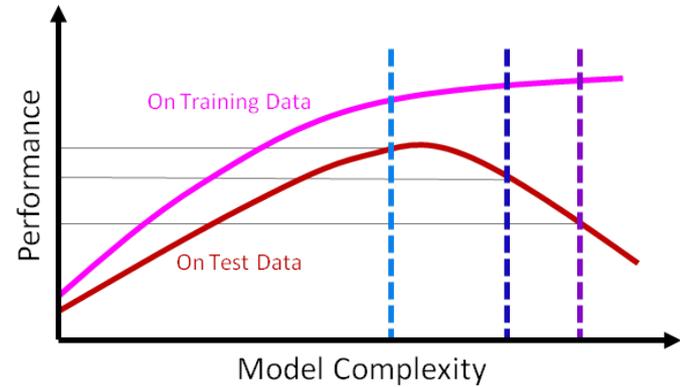
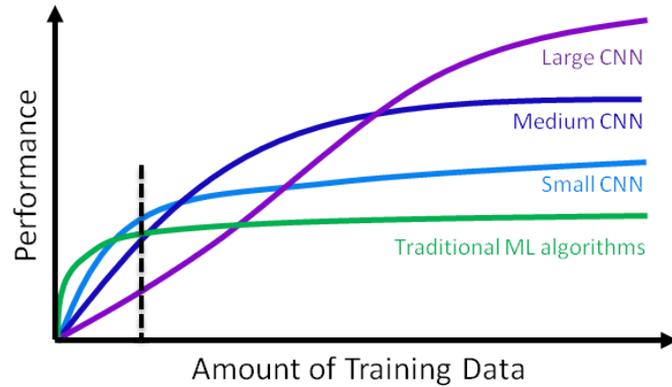
Era of Deep Learning



UXO Classification with Sonar Data

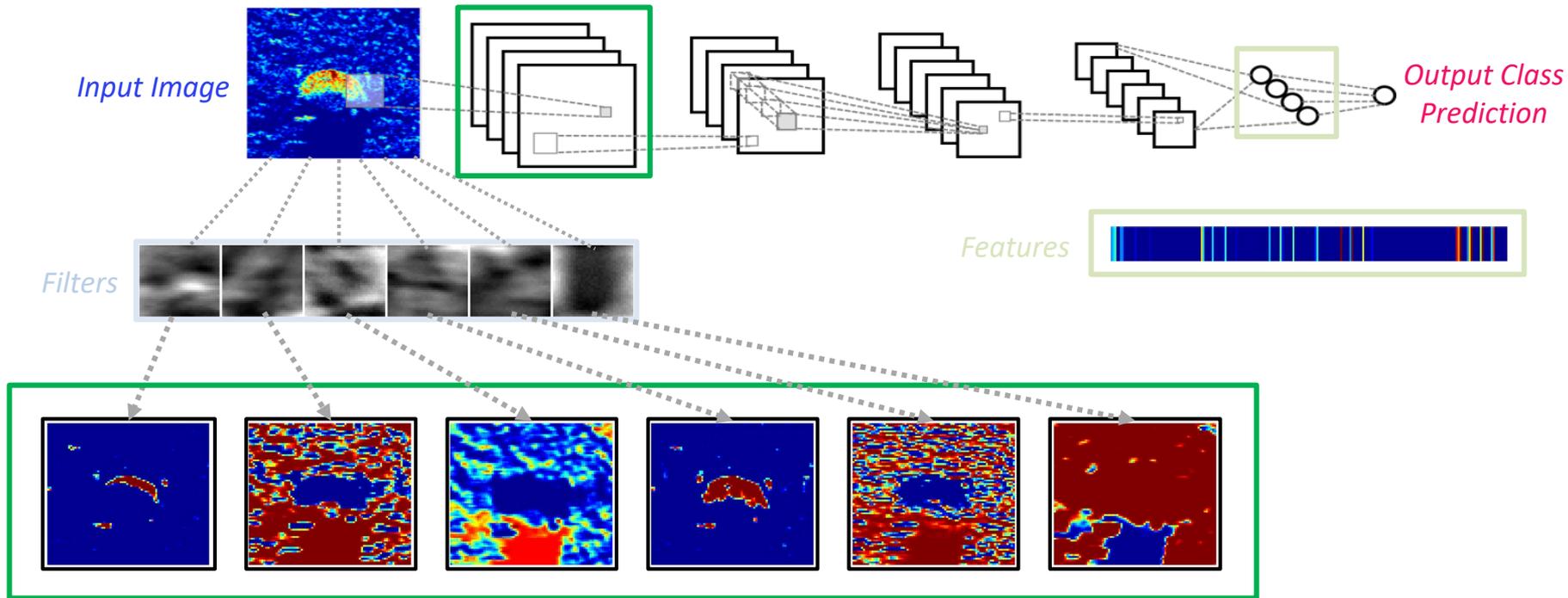


Deep Learning



- Key Ratio: Model Complexity / Training Data

Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)

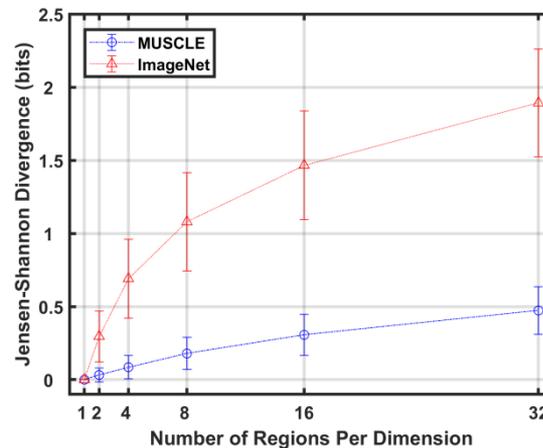


CNNs for SAS Data

- Simpler task
 - Number of classes, image complexity
- Resource constraints
 - Data, computing power

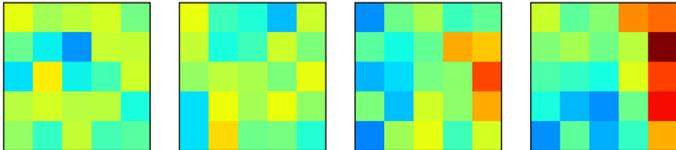
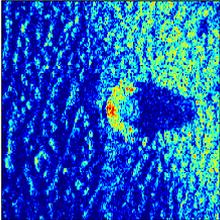


➤ Solution: Tiny networks

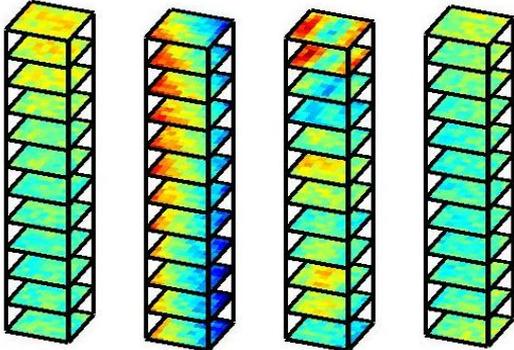
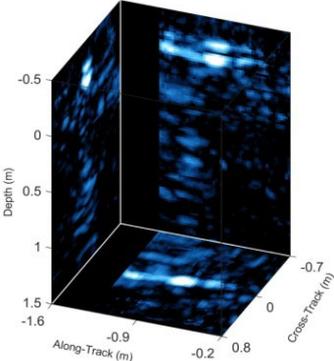


3-d CNNs

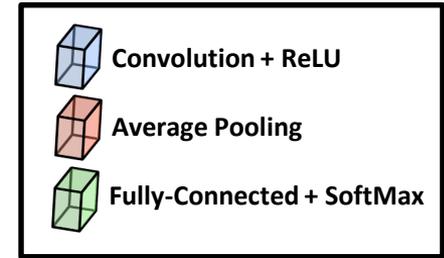
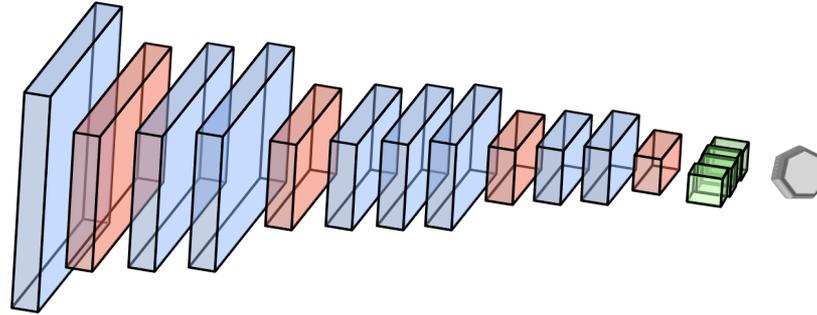
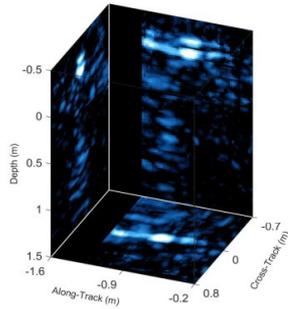
2-d inputs



3-d inputs



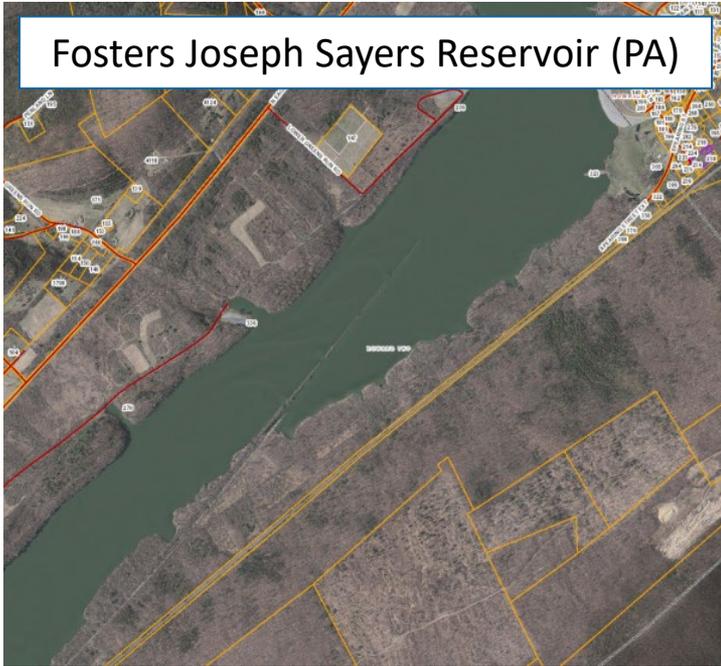
3-d CNN Architectures



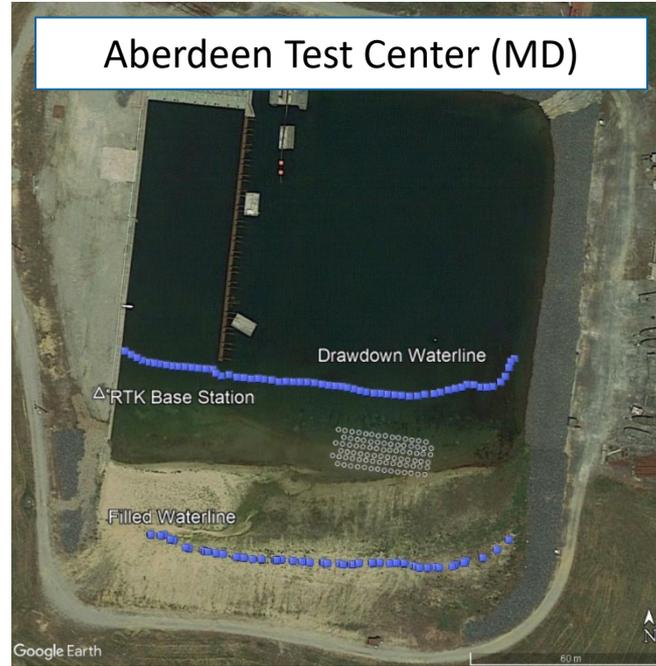
CNN Label	CNN Depth	Conv. Blocks	Conv. Layers Per Conv. Block	Filters Per Conv. Layer	Filter Sizes (Voxels) [$x \times y \times z$]	Pooling Factors [$x \times y \times z$]	Number of Parameters		
A	2	2	1	4	[$6 \times 6 \times 6$] [$4 \times 4 \times 5$]	[$8 \times 8 \times 12$] [$4 \times 4 \times 4$]	2157		
B	2	2	1	4	[$8 \times 8 \times 12$] [$6 \times 6 \times 7$]	[$6 \times 6 \times 9$] [$4 \times 4 \times 4$]	7117		
C	3	3	1	4	[$6 \times 6 \times 6$] [$5 \times 5 \times 5$] [$4 \times 4 \times 5$]	[$4 \times 4 \times 6$] [$2 \times 2 \times 2$] [$2 \times 2 \times 2$]	4161		
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Data Collections

Fosters Joseph Sayers Reservoir (PA)

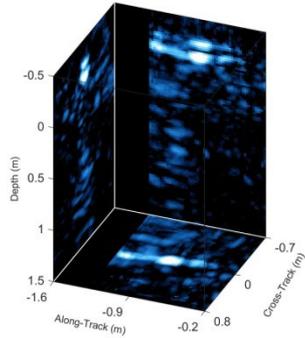


Aberdeen Test Center (MD)



Human Assessment

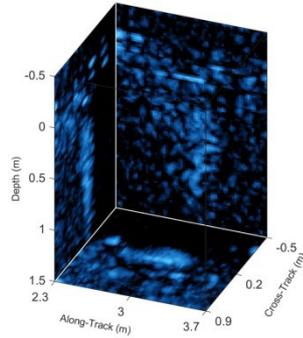
Large / Strong



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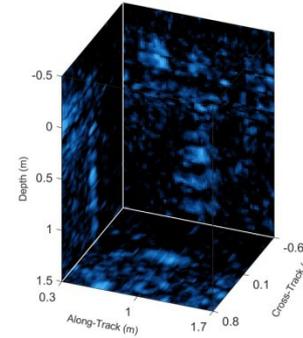
Small / Strong



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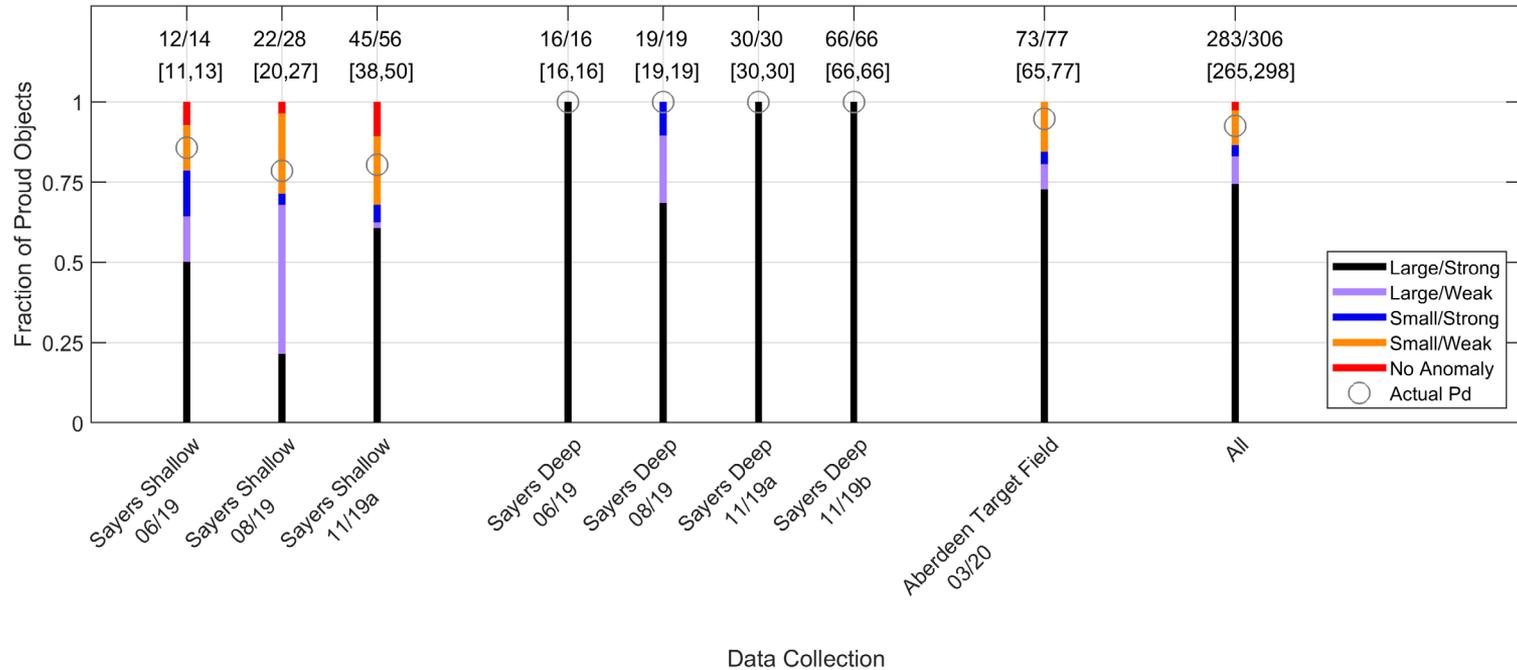
Small / Weak



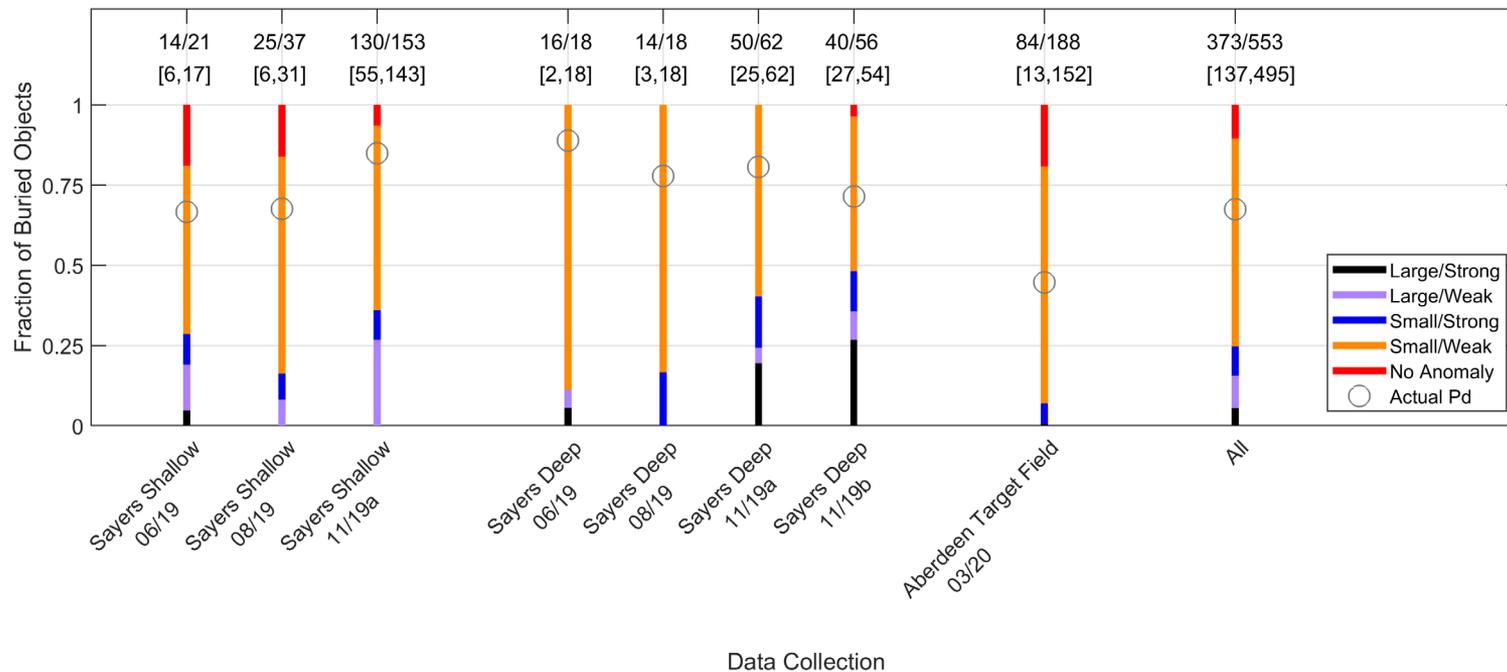
C



Performance: Proud Targets



Performance: Buried Targets

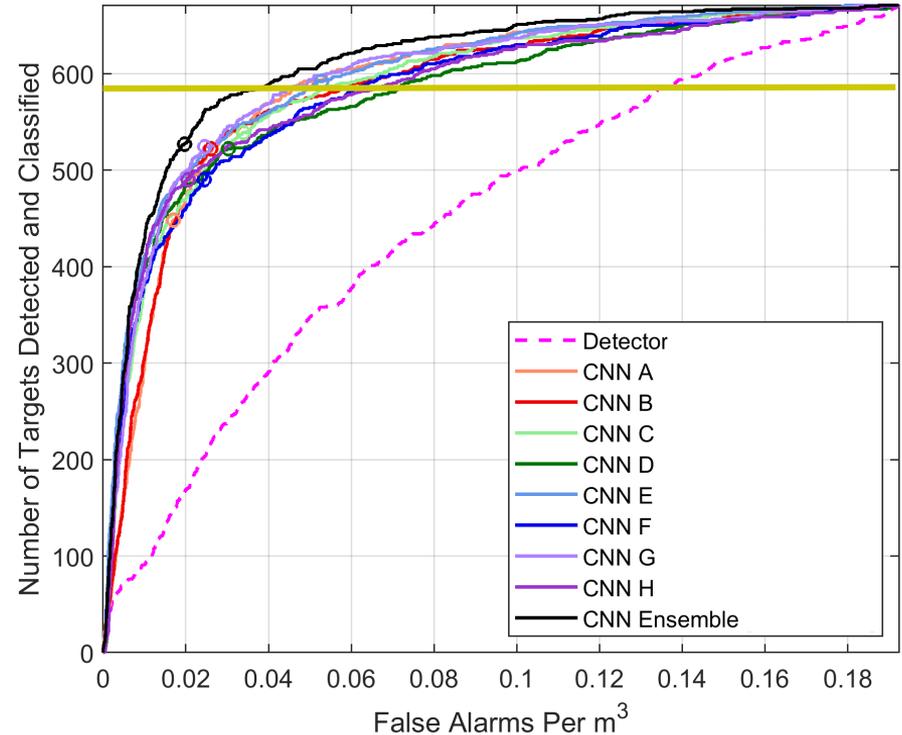


Classification

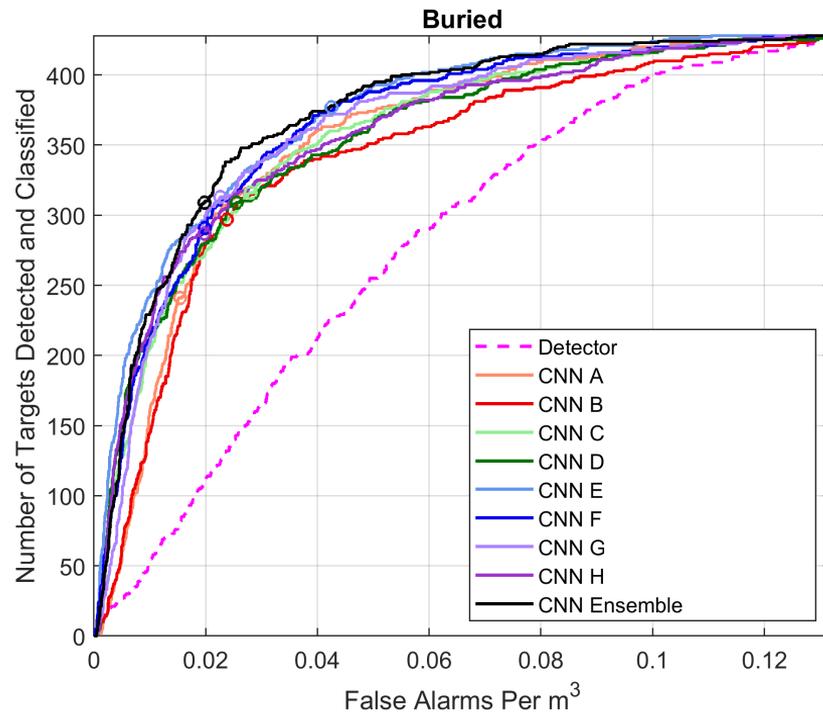
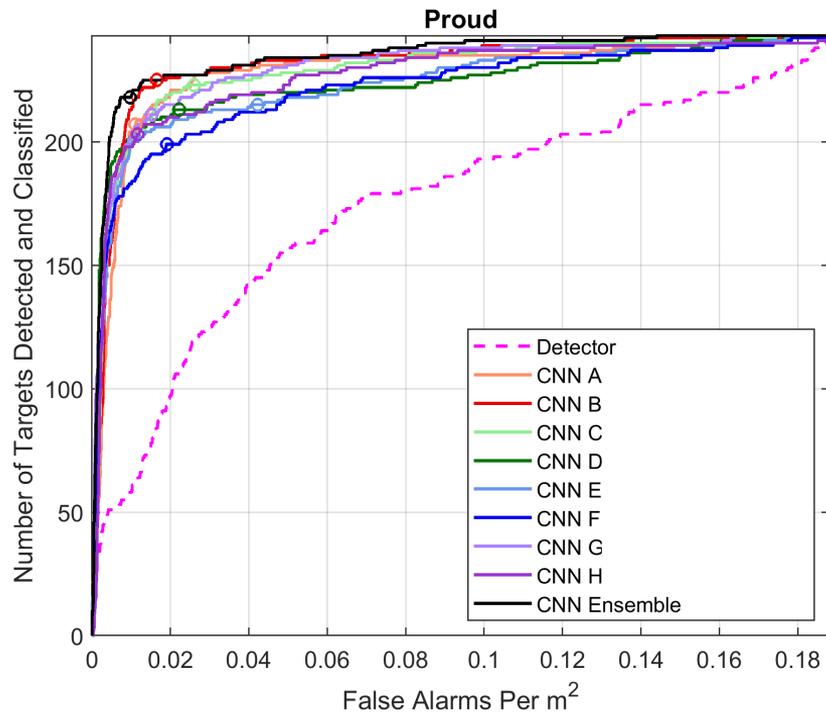
- 3-d CNNs with SVSS data
 - Train: Sayers “Deep” site
 - Test: Sayers “Shallow” site
 - “Target” = man-made object

Location	Data Set Usage	Seafloor Area (m^2)	Sediment Volume (m^3)	Number of	
				Clutter	Targets
Site B	Training	15390	23392.8	11029	550
Site A	Test	15630	23757.6	6074	671

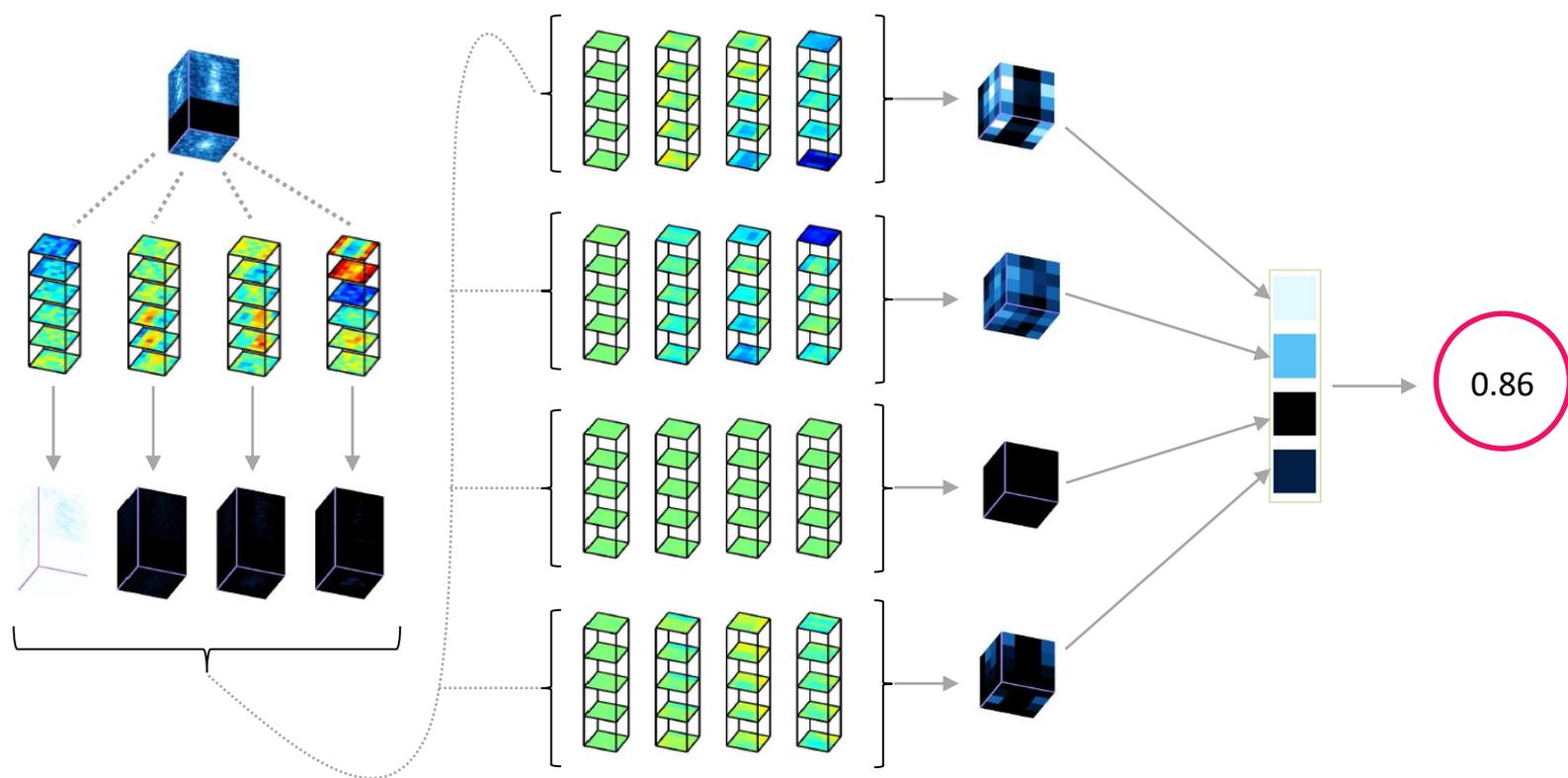
- Assessment
 - Asymmetric costs of misclassification
 - False alarm rates at key PdPc values



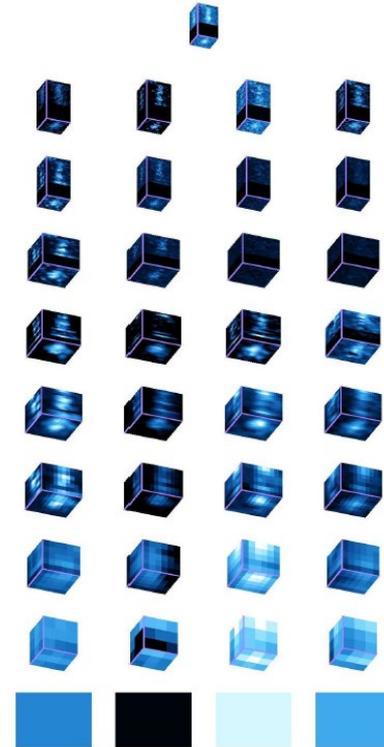
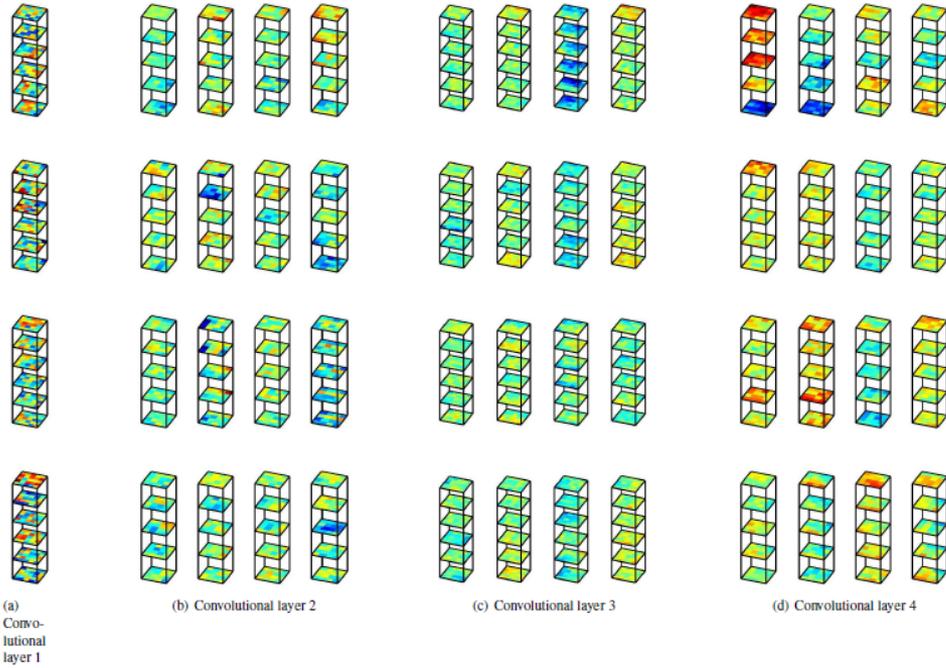
Classification Performance



Inside CNN A



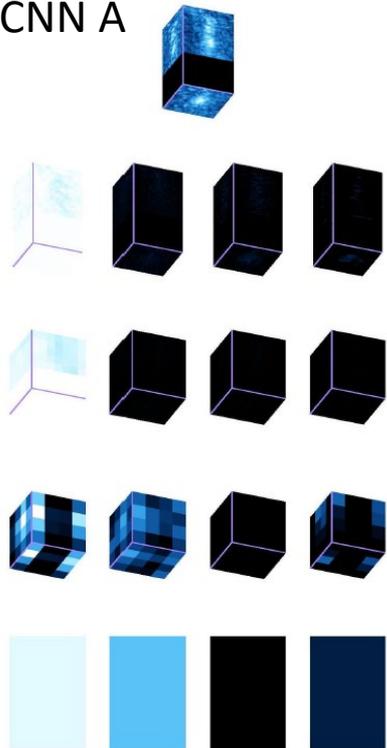
CNN E



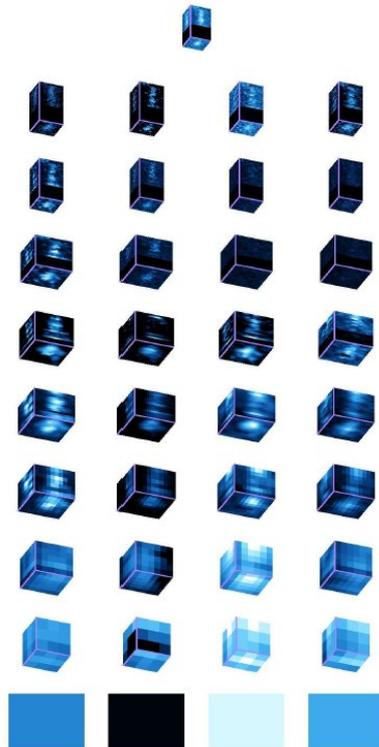
CNN Intermediate Responses



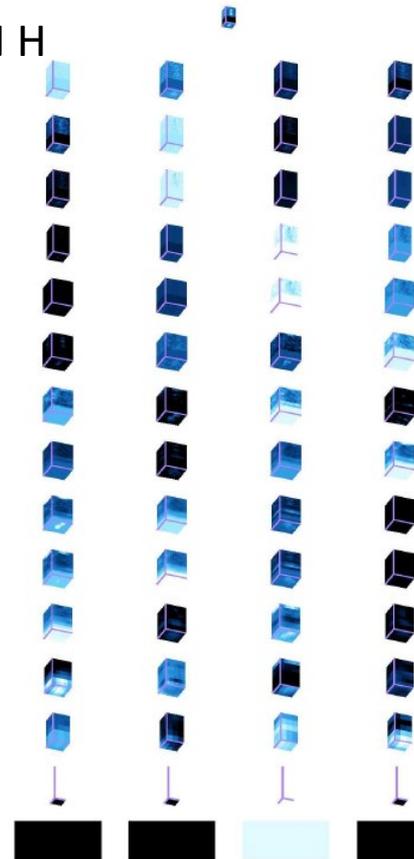
CNN A



CNN E

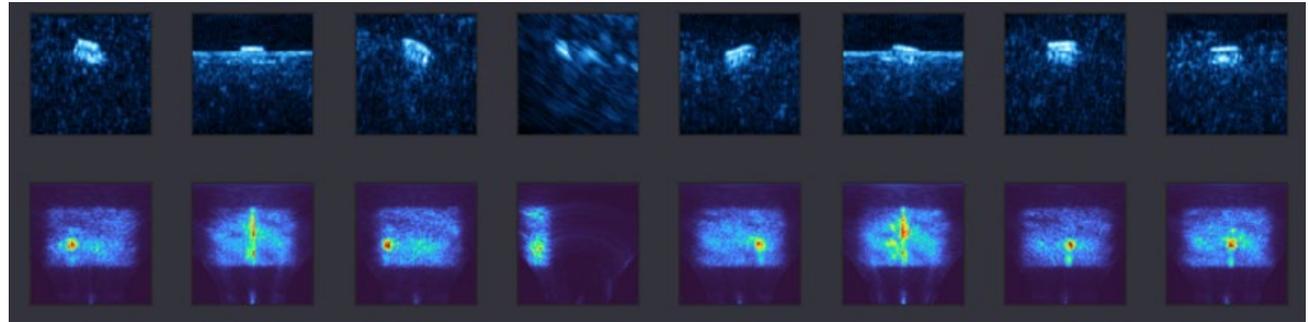


CNN H



Conclusions

- Automated detection and classification algorithms show promise for proud and buried targets in volumetric sonar data
 - Require more extensive field tests (and data!), especially in different environments
- Future/ongoing work: Develop CNNs for alternative data products (e.g., acoustic color)



* Image courtesy of Tim Marston (APL/UW)