

# Scheduling Top-Down and Bottom-Up Processes

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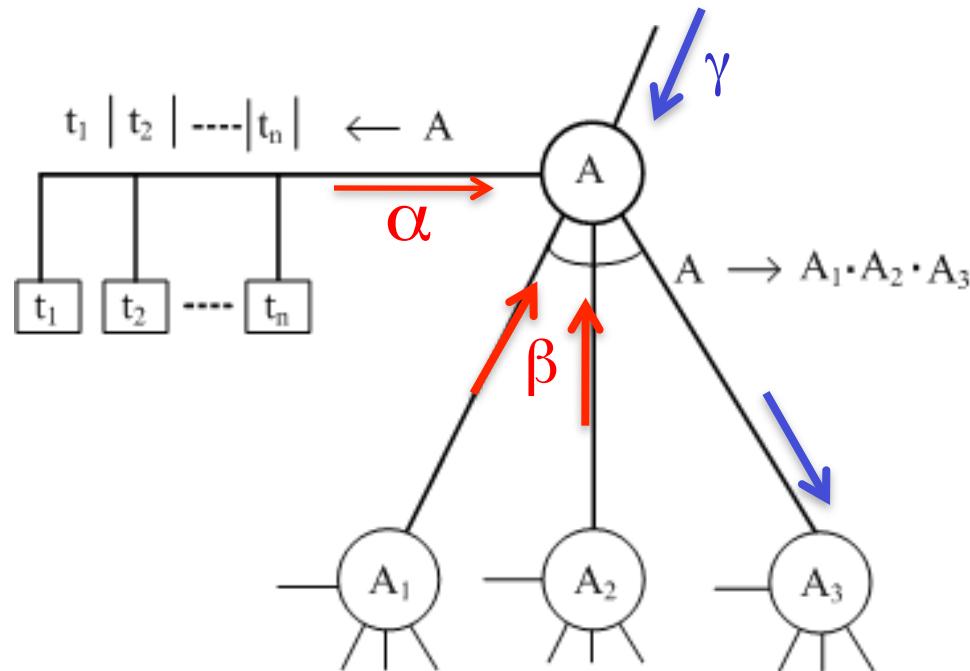
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# $\alpha$ , $\beta$ and $\gamma$ computing processes in AoG

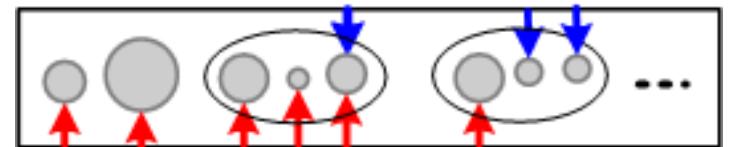
The And-Or graph is a recursive structure. So, consider a node A.

1. Node A at a coarse scale terminates to leaf nodes (ground)
2. Node A is connected to the root.

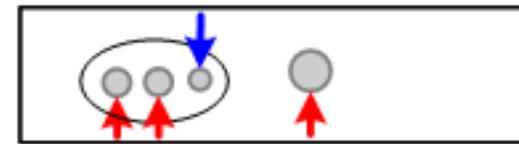
Estimate the  $\alpha/\beta/\gamma$  channels when they are applicable ---an optimal scheduling problem



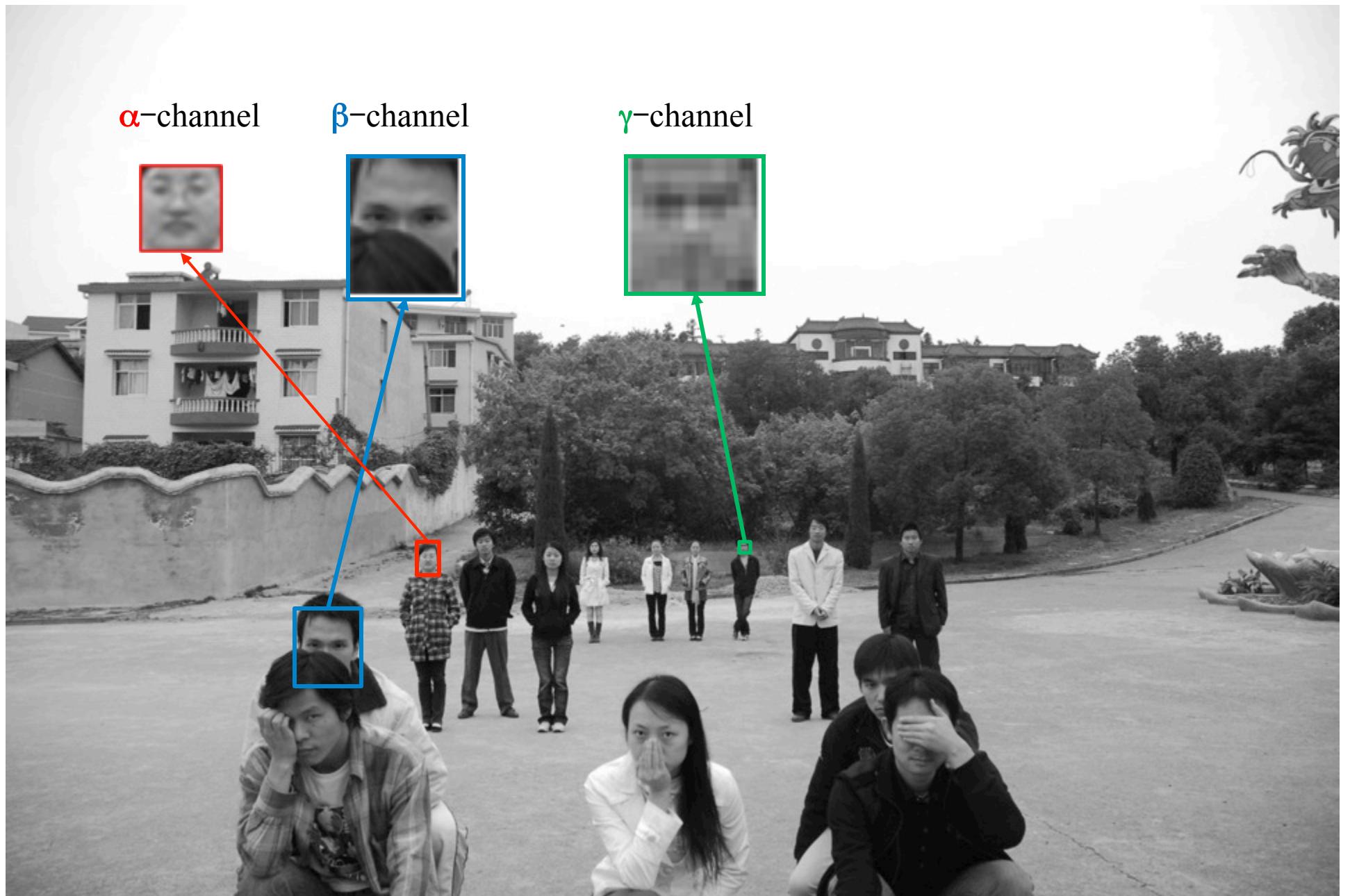
open list (weighted particles for hypotheses)



closed list (accepted instances)

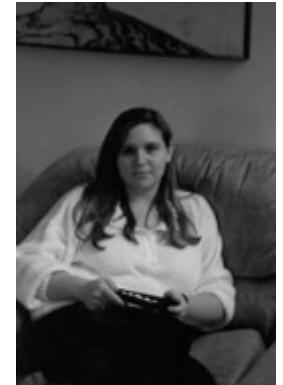


# Example: Human Faces are Computed in 3 Channels



# Human faces in real scenarios

$\alpha$ -channel



$\beta$ -channel

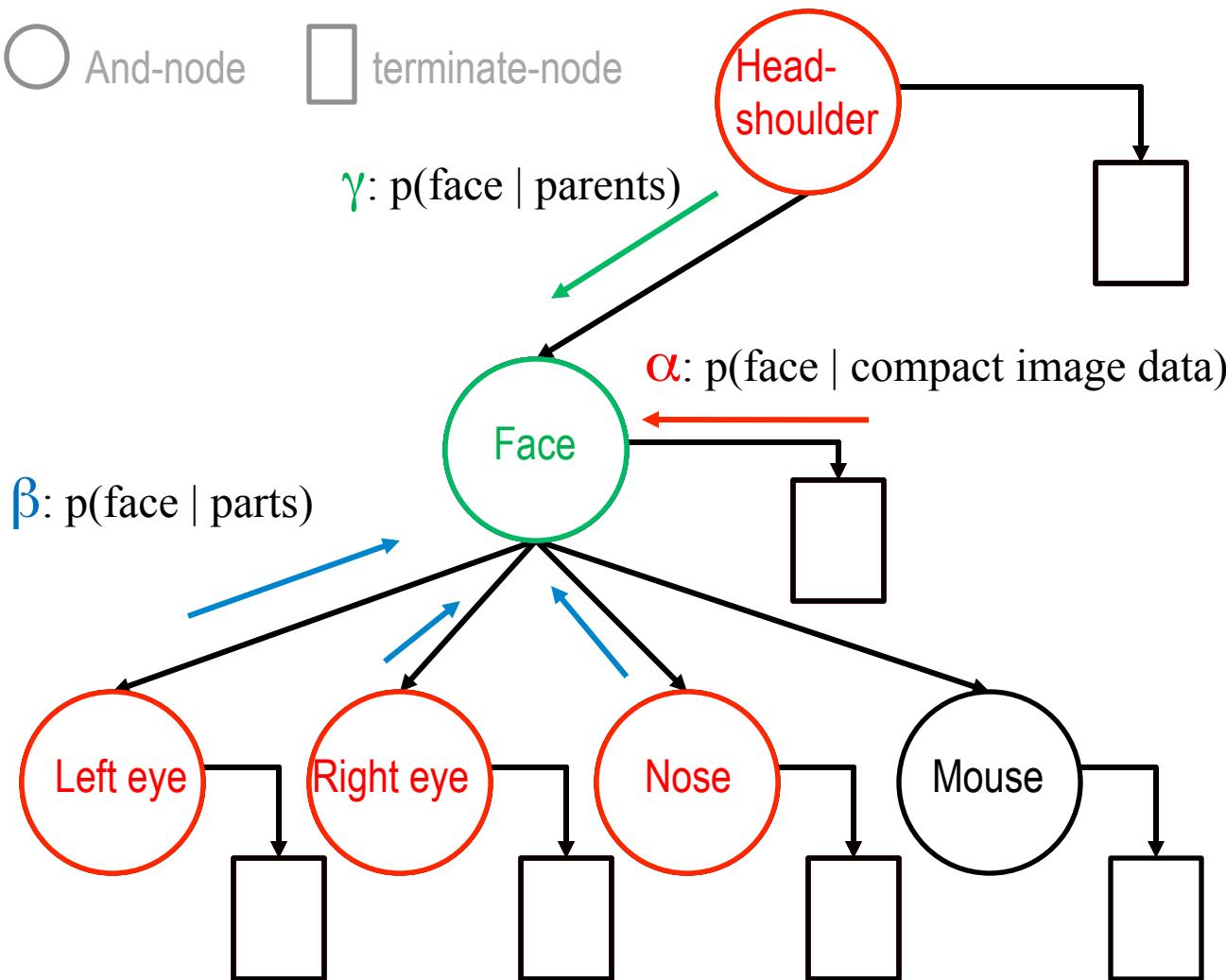


$\gamma$ -channel



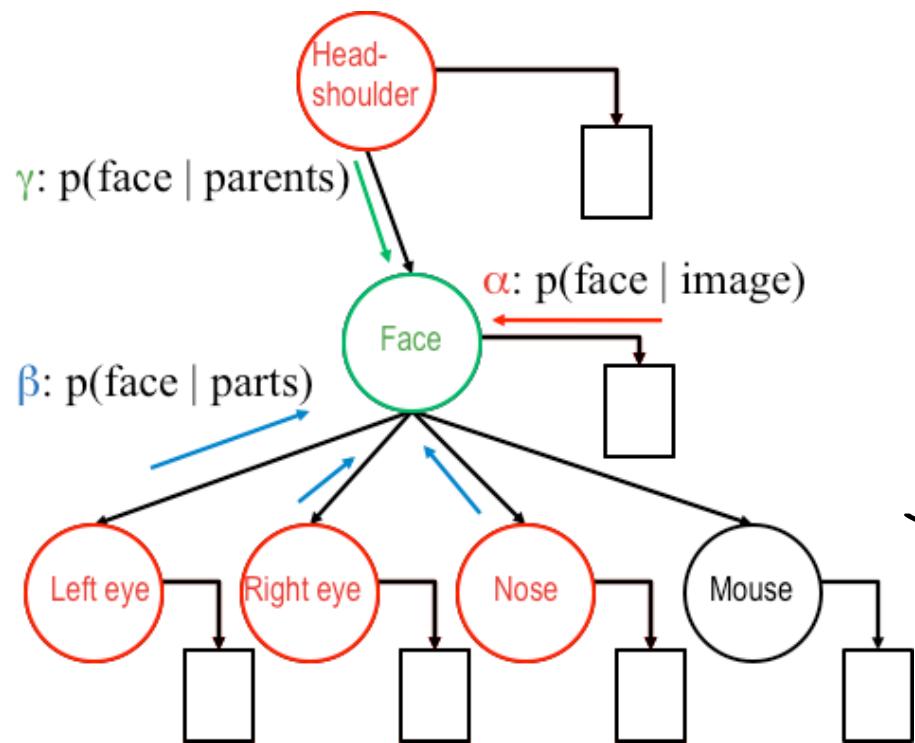
# Hierarchical modeling and $\alpha$ , $\beta$ and $\gamma$ computing

○ And-node    □ terminate-node



1. Each node has its own  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  computing processes.
2. How much does each channel contribute?

# Hierarchical modeling and $\alpha$ , $\beta$ and $\gamma$ computing



$$pg^{l*} = \arg \max_{pg} \left[ \underbrace{\log p(\wedge^l | \vee^l) + p(N) \sum_{i=1}^N \log p(X(\wedge_i^{l+}) | X(\wedge^l))}_{\text{parse graph connectivity}} \right]$$

$\alpha$  = detector

$$+ \underbrace{\log \frac{p(\Delta(t(\wedge^l)) | t(\wedge^l))}{q(\Delta(t(\wedge^l)))}}$$

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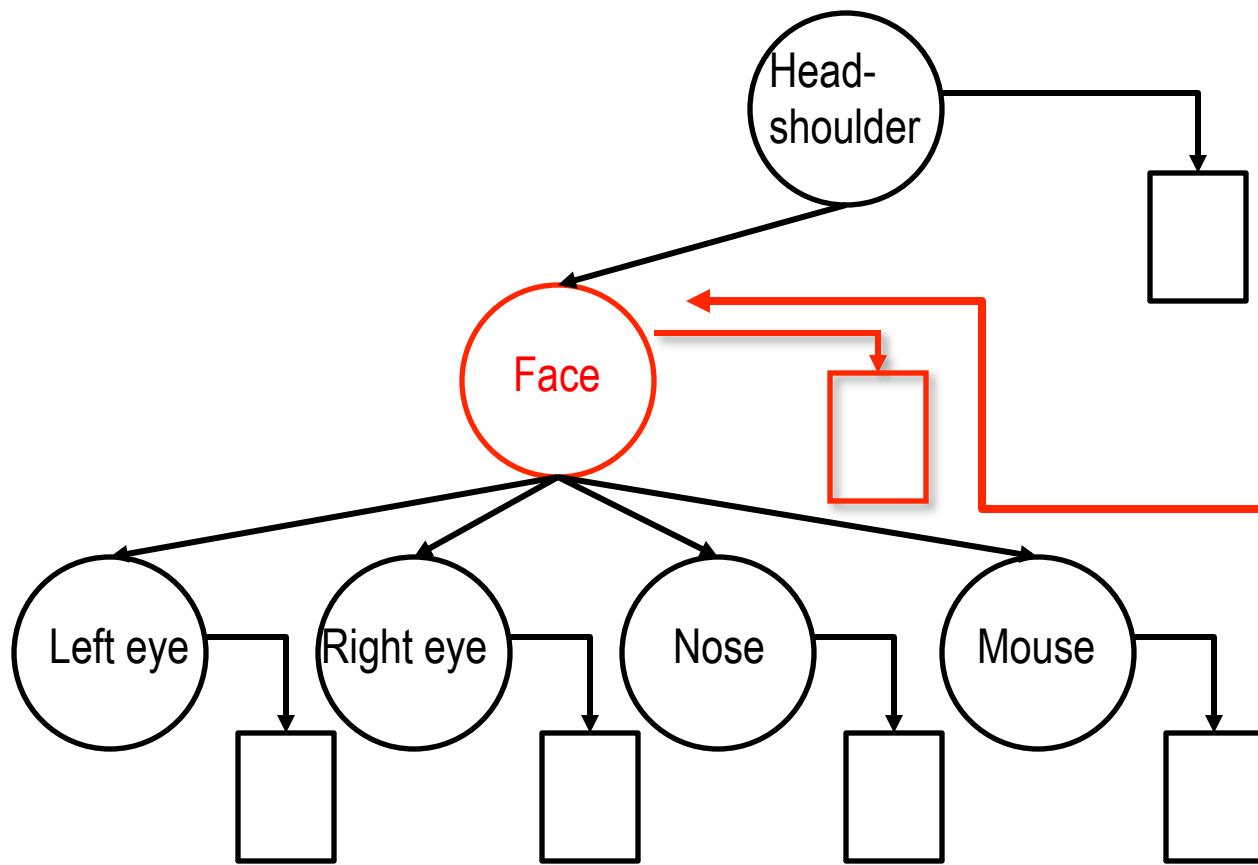
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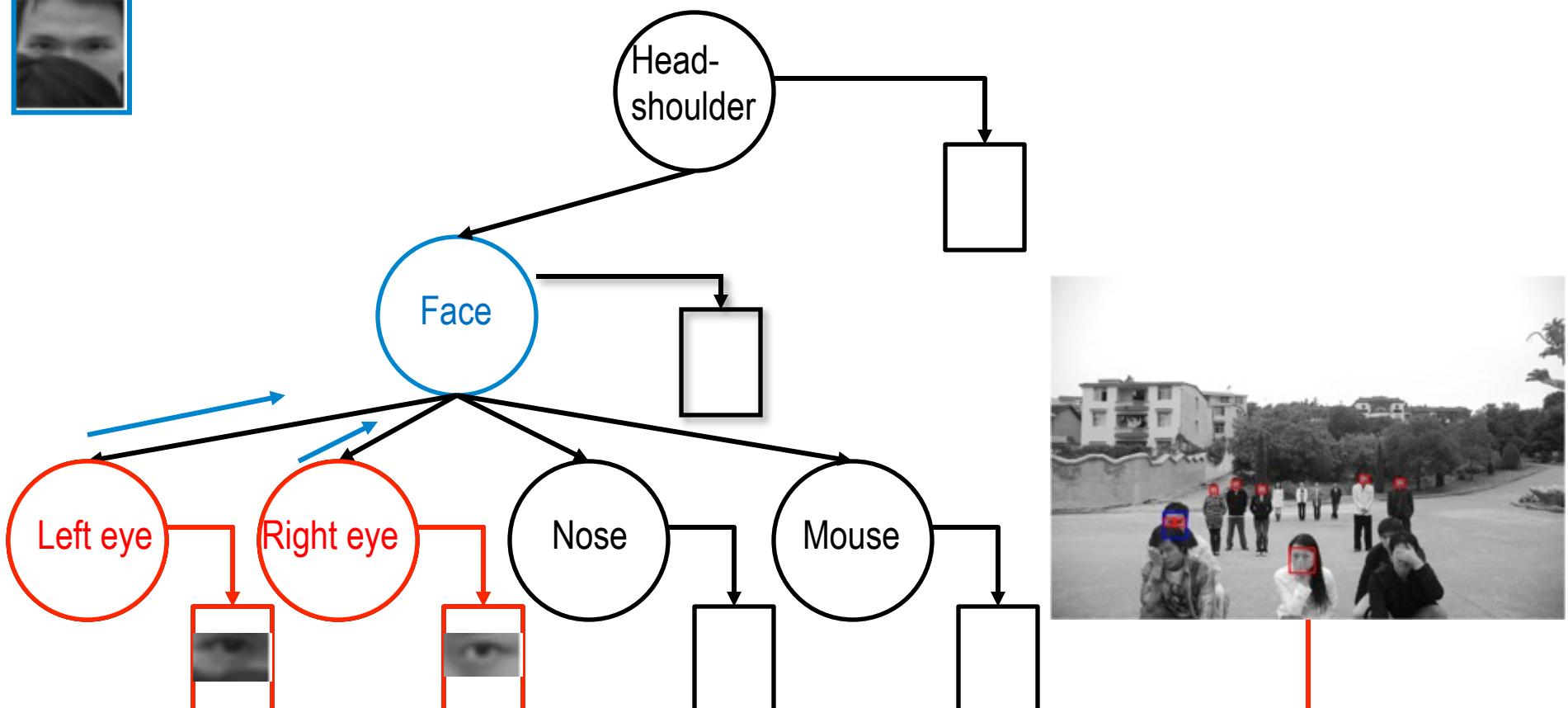
# $\alpha$ processes for the face node

$\alpha$ -channels:  $p(\text{face} \mid \text{compact image data})$



# $\beta$ processes for the face node (when its $\alpha$ is off)

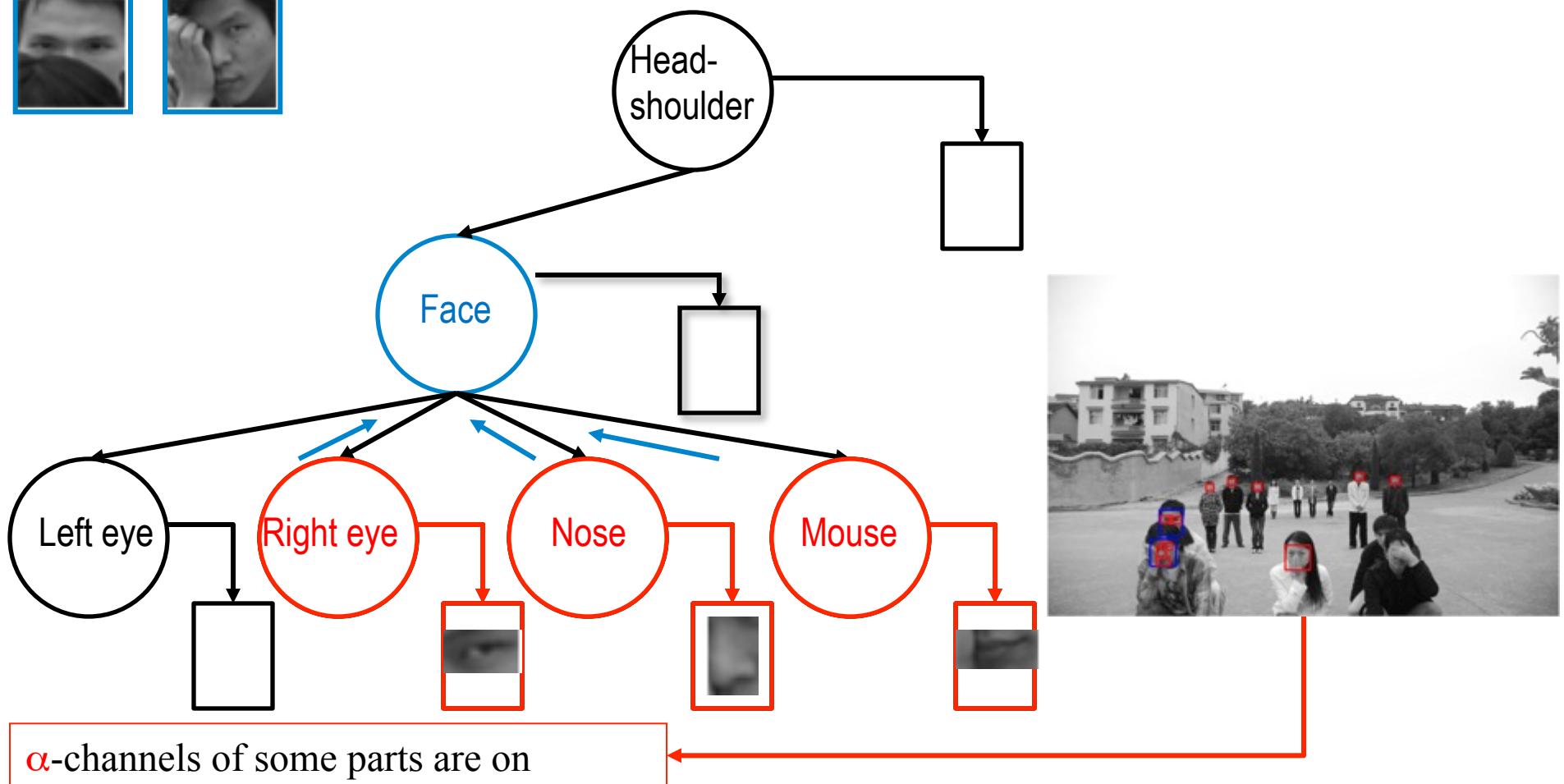
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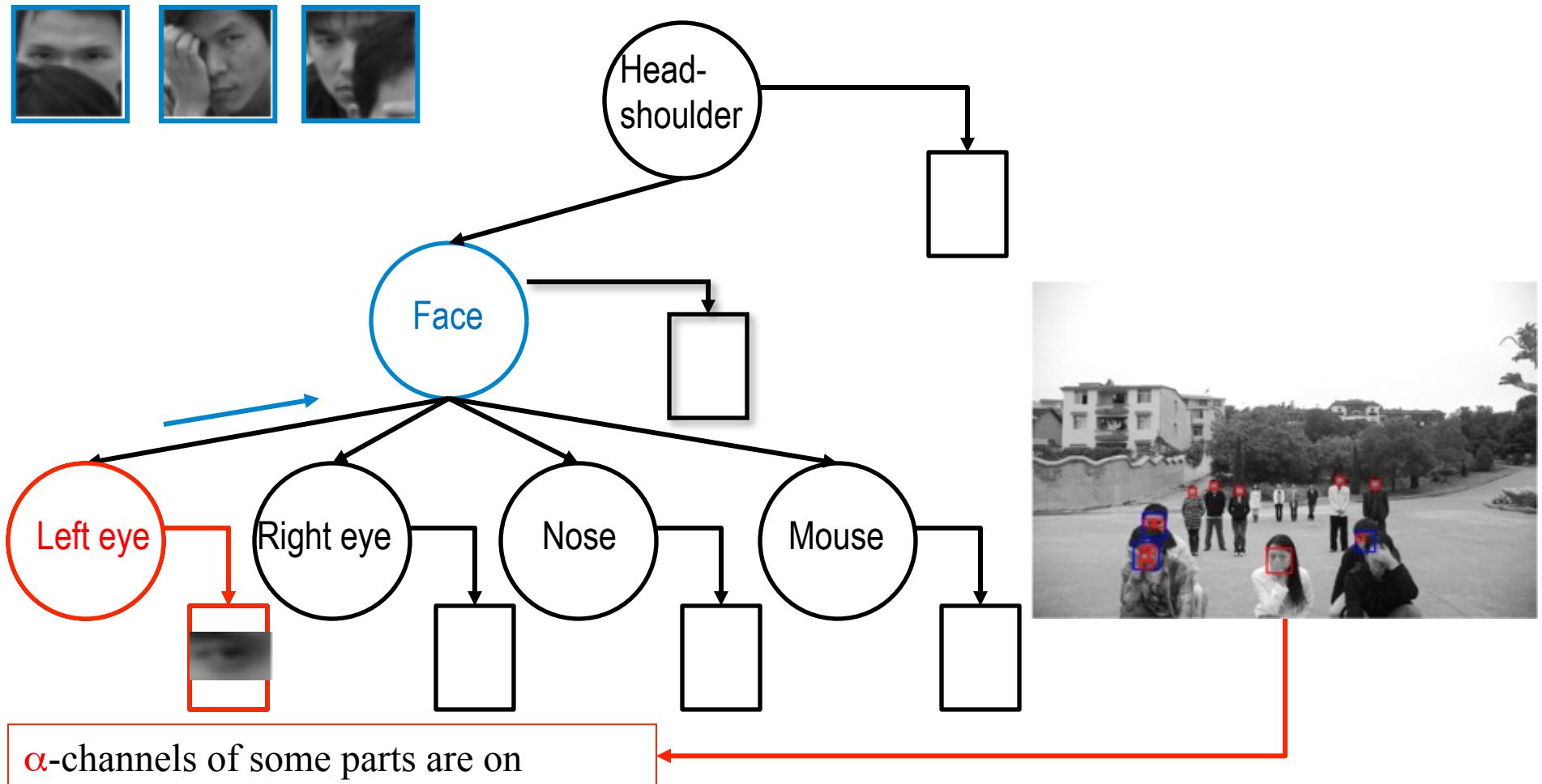
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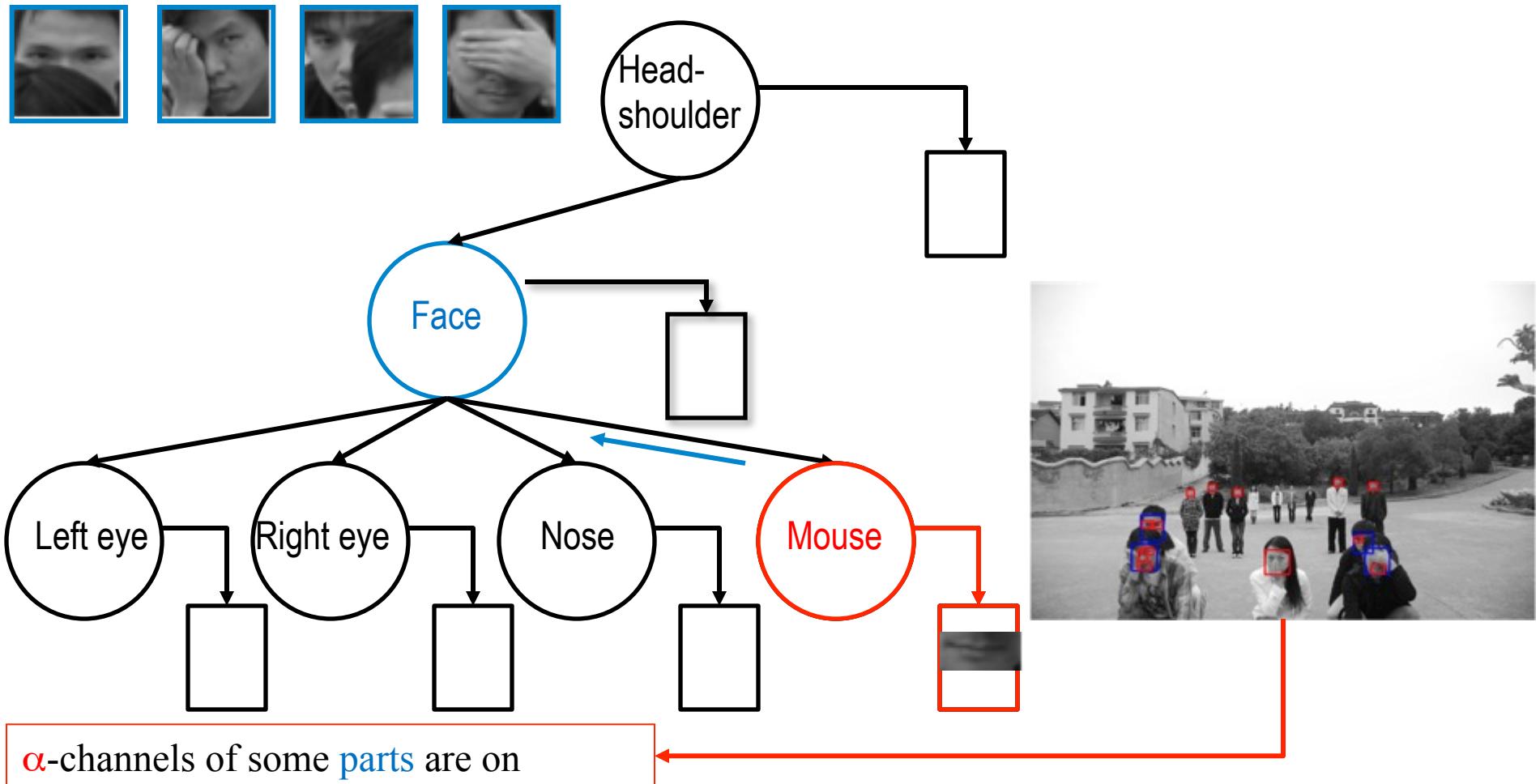
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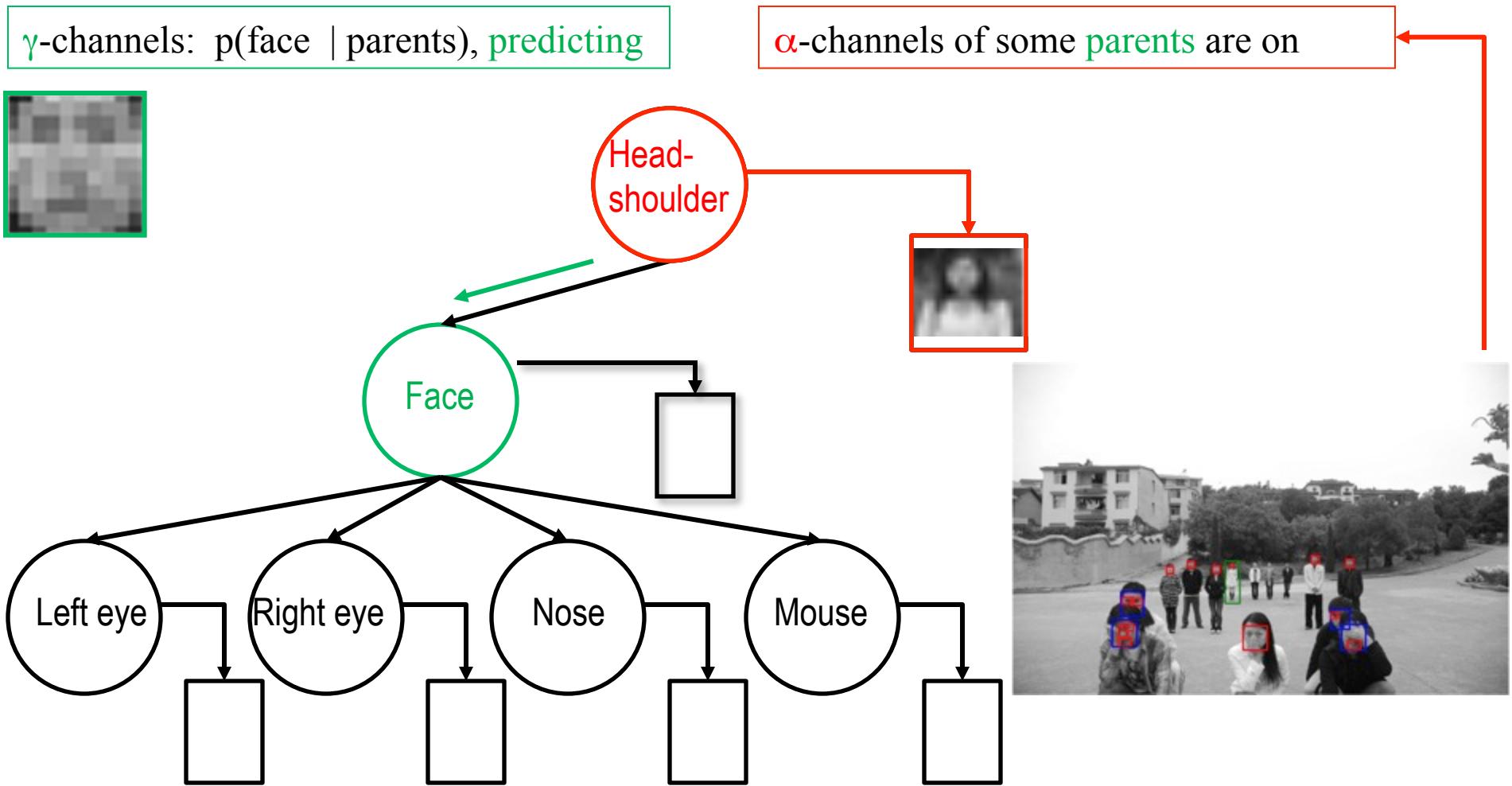


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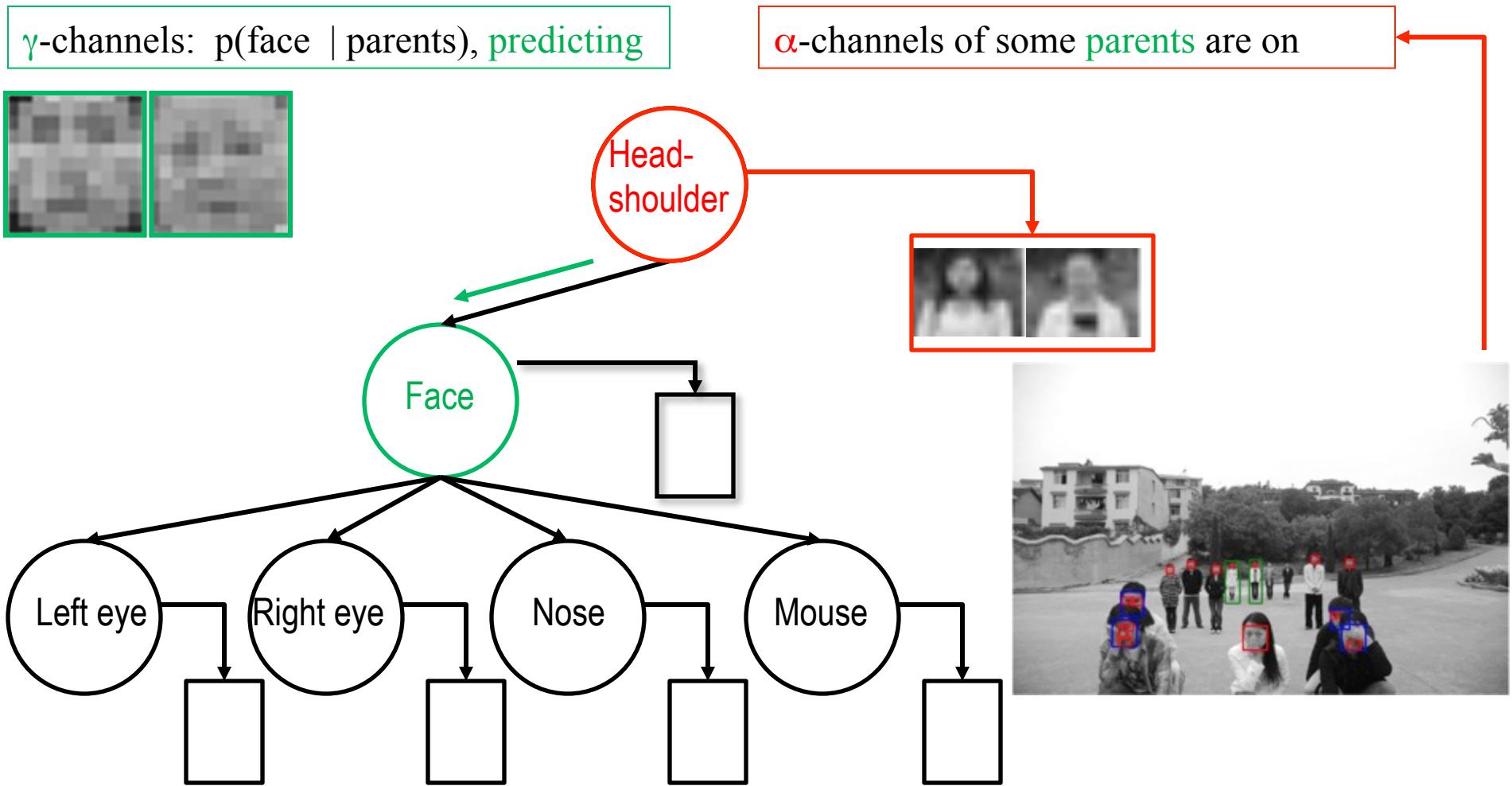
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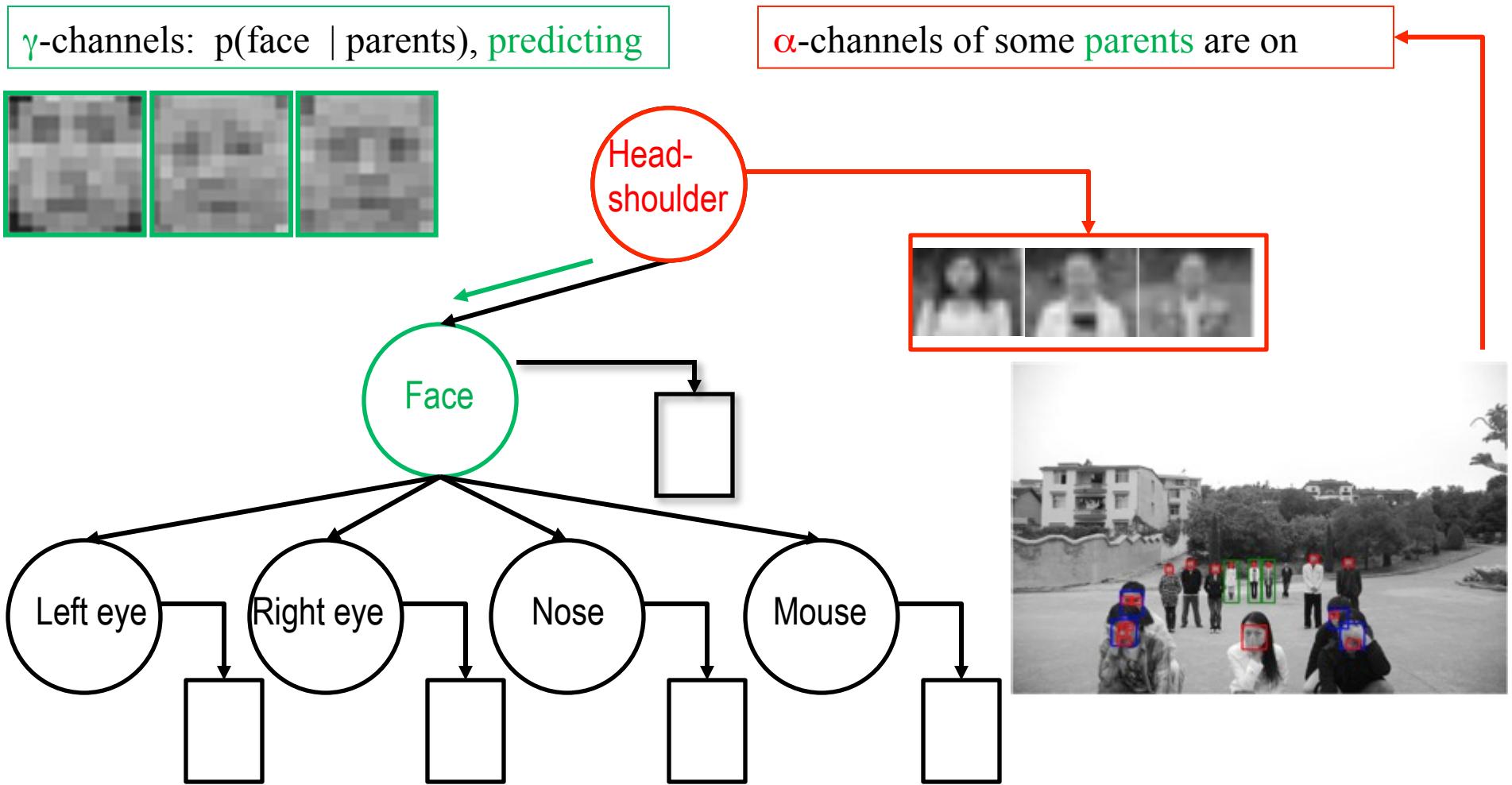
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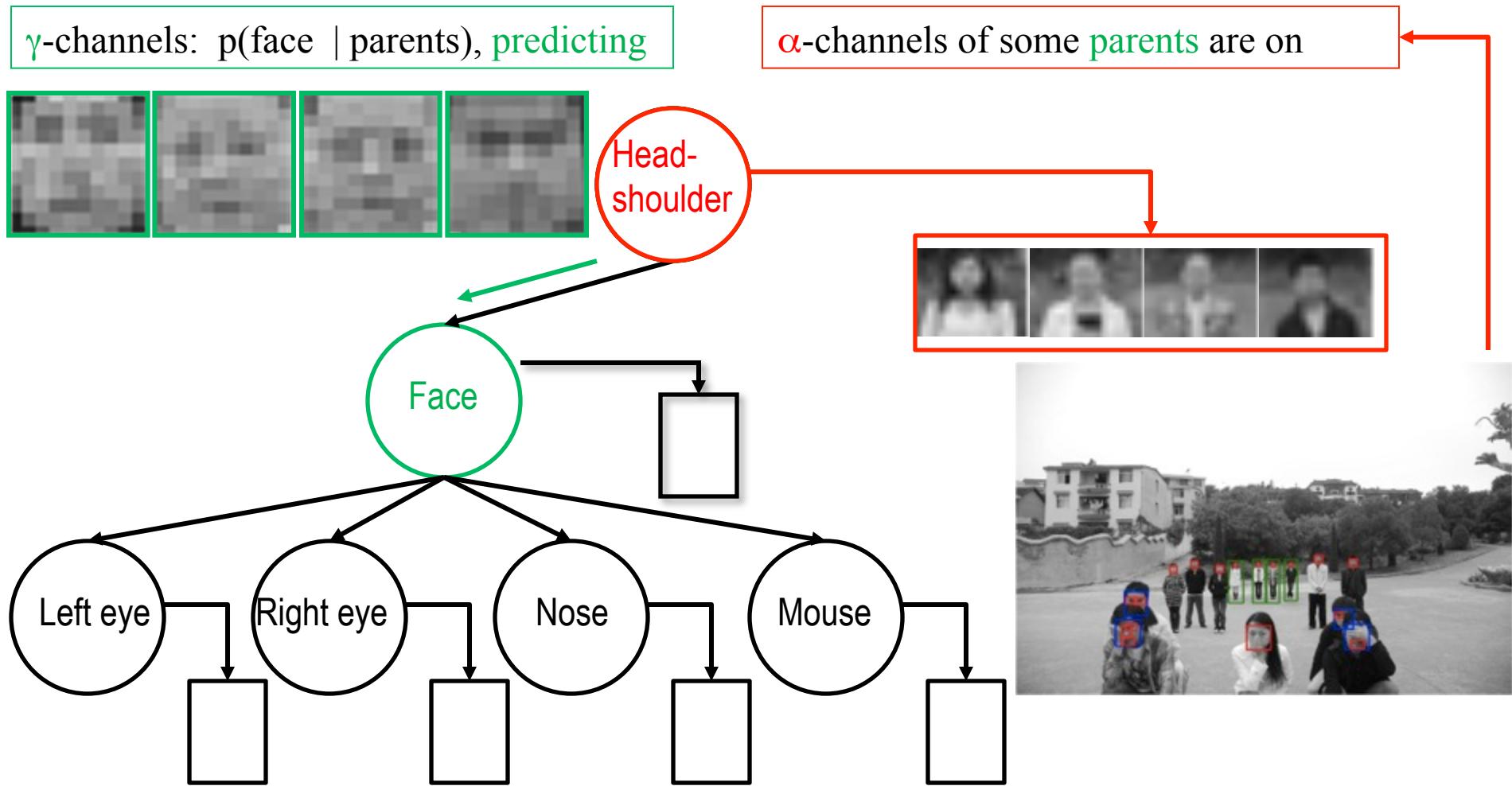
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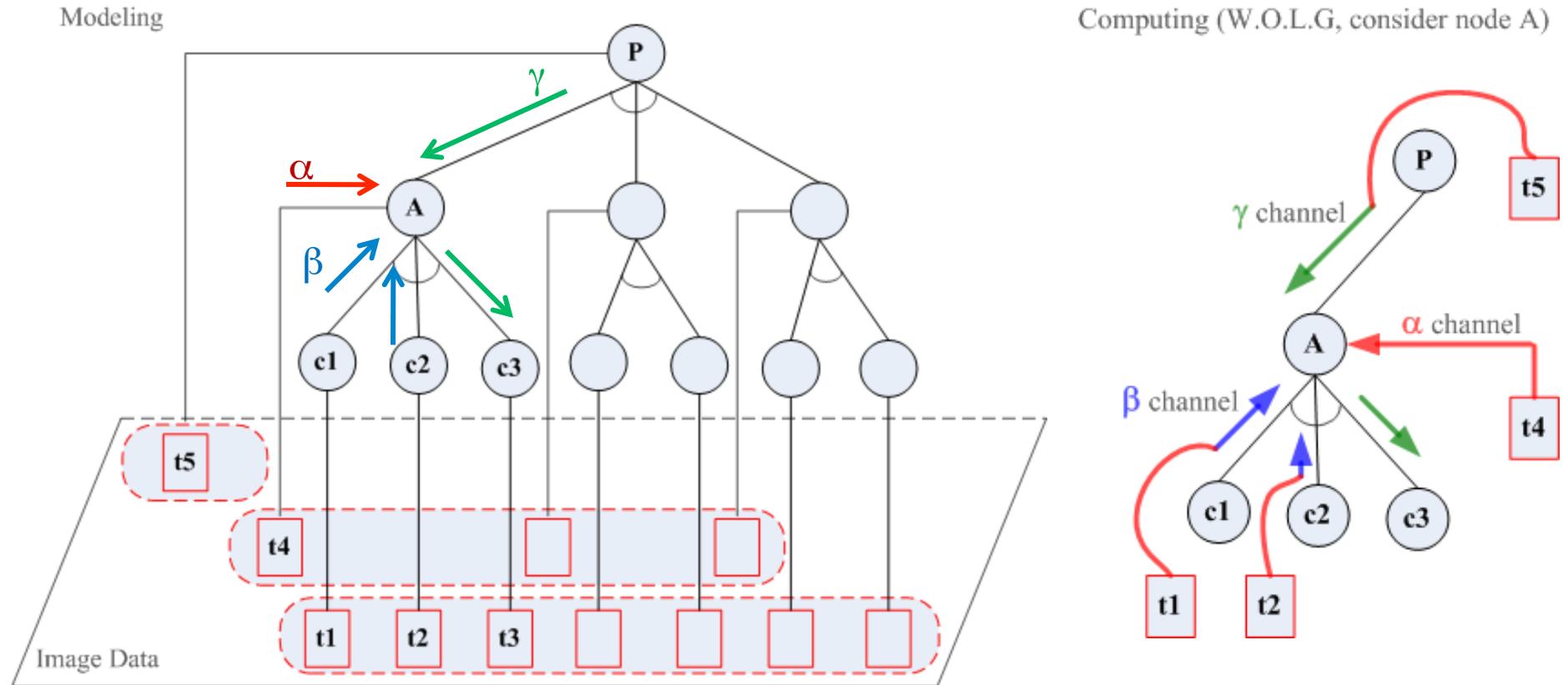
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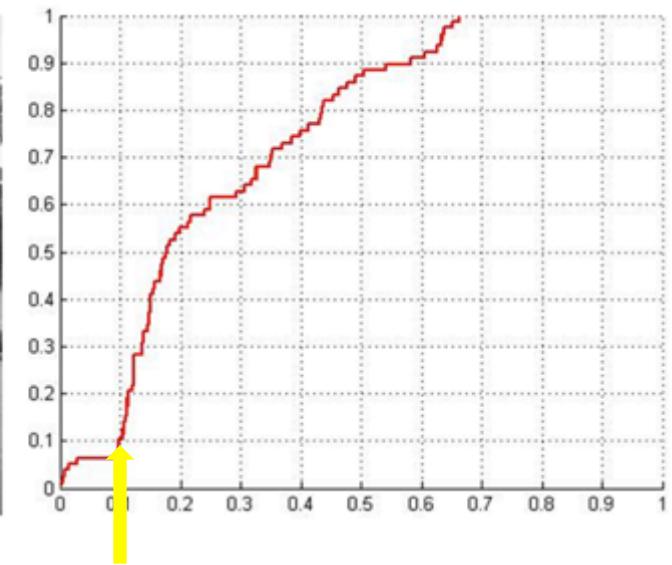
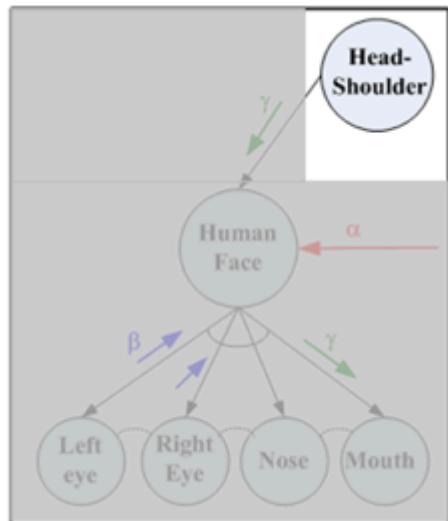
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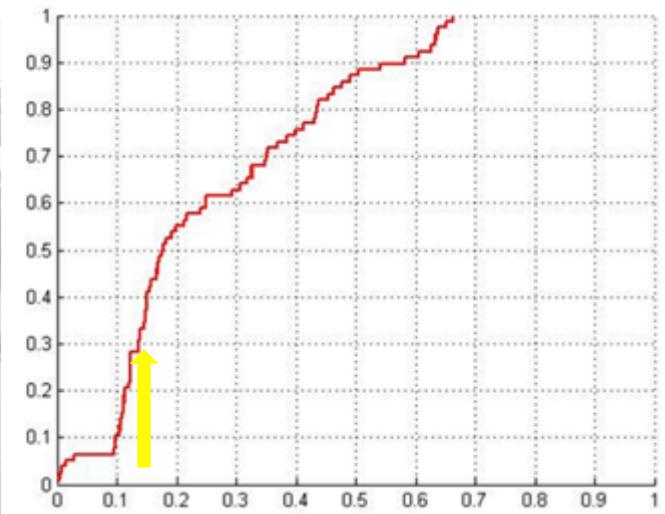
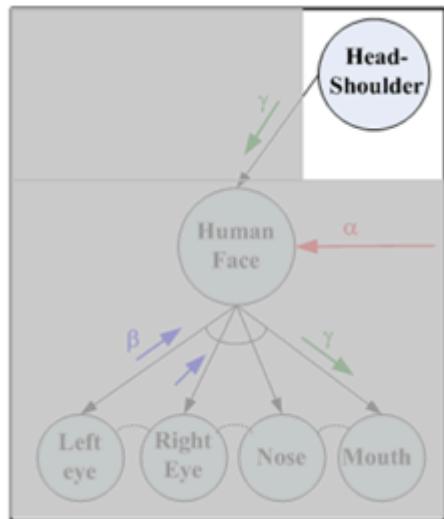
# In general: recursive $\alpha$ , $\beta$ and $\gamma$ channels



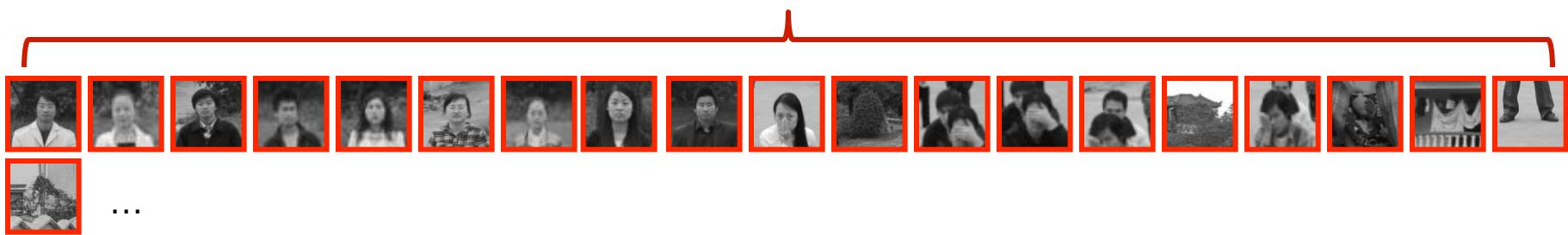
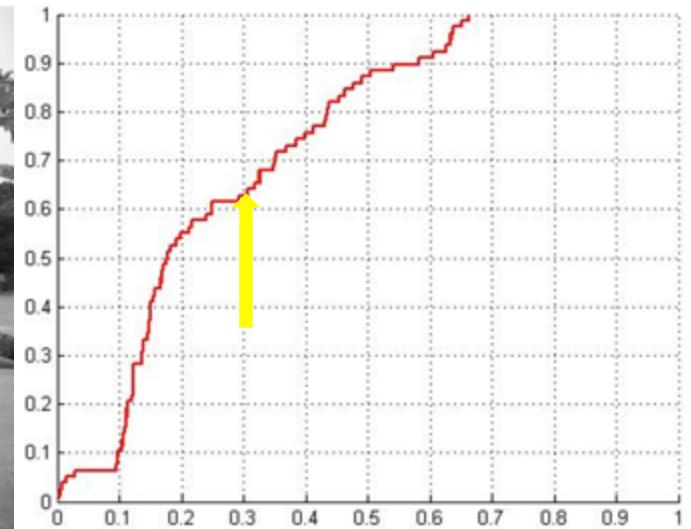
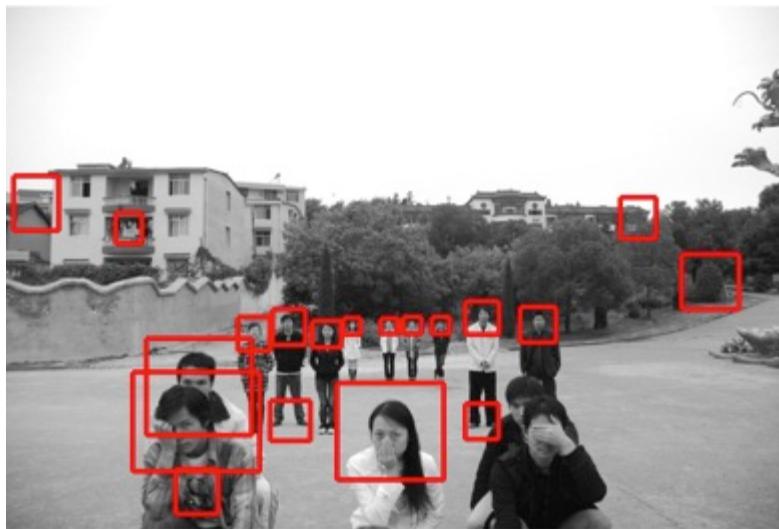
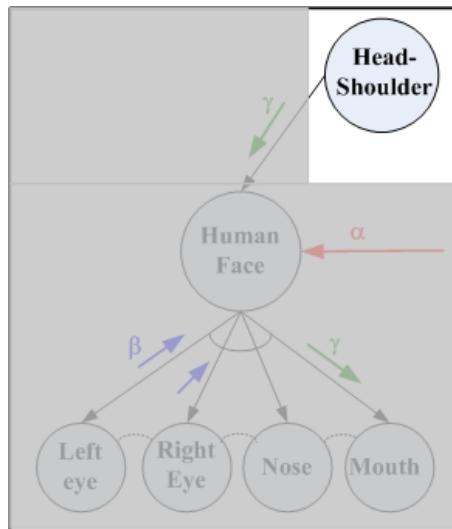
# $\alpha$ -channel: head-shoulder



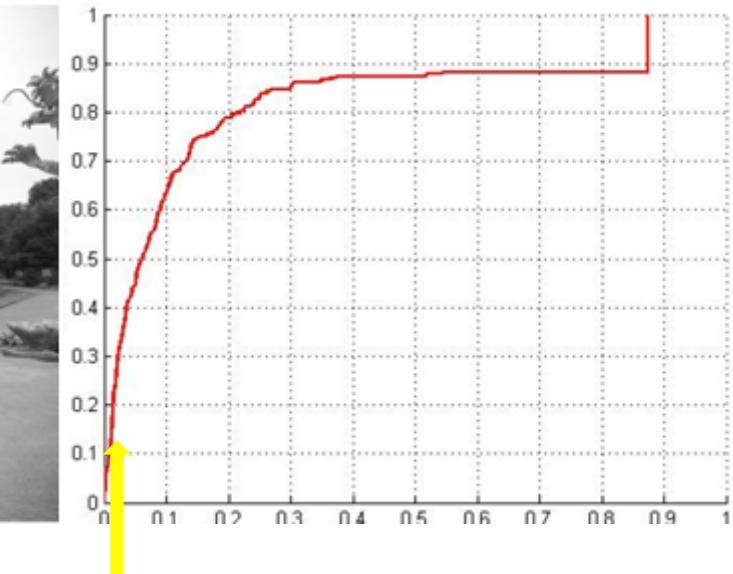
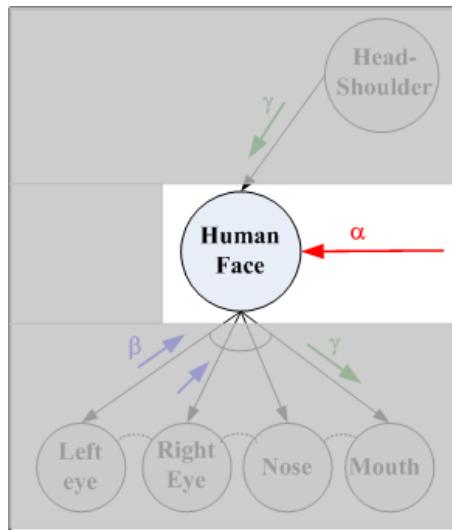
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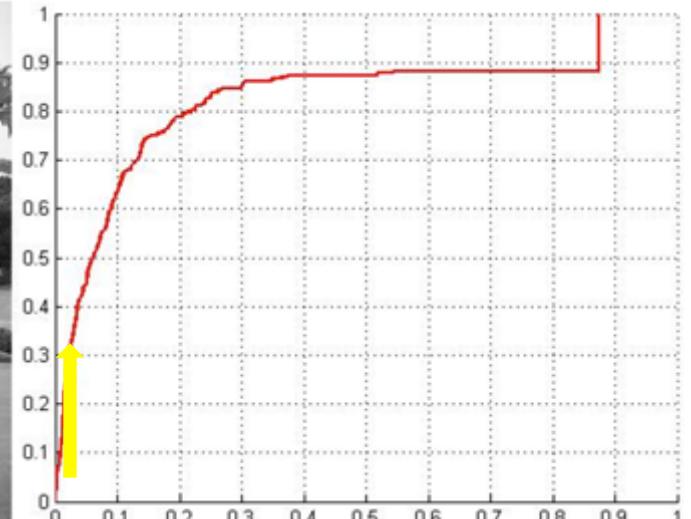
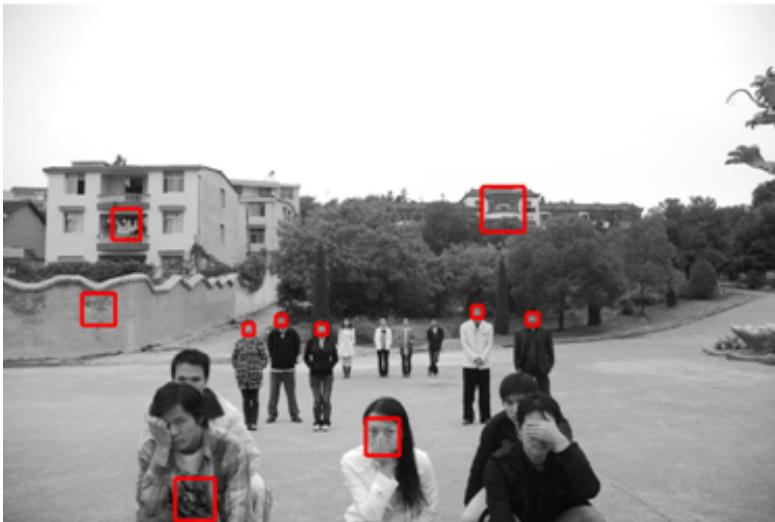
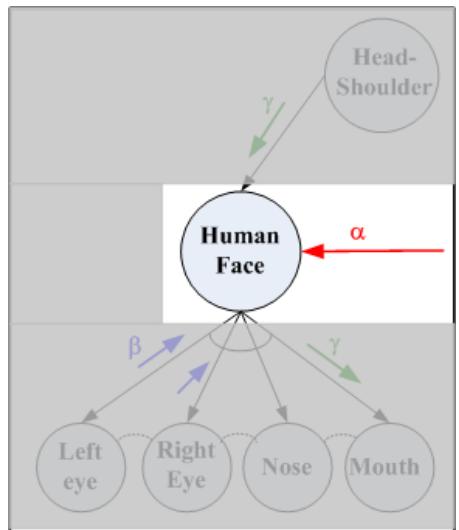
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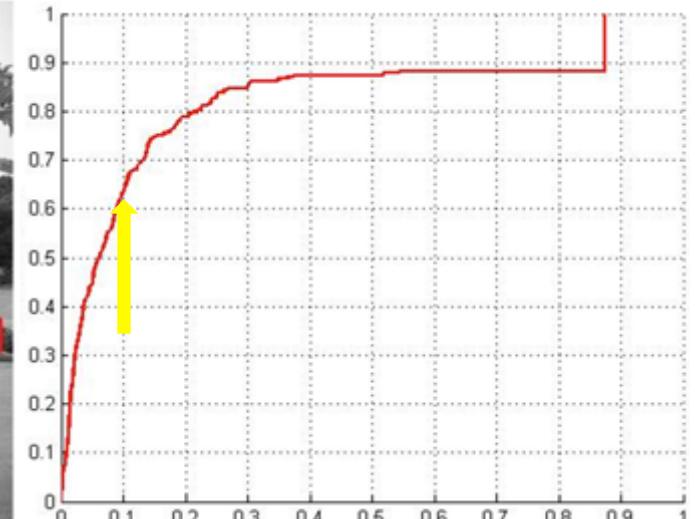
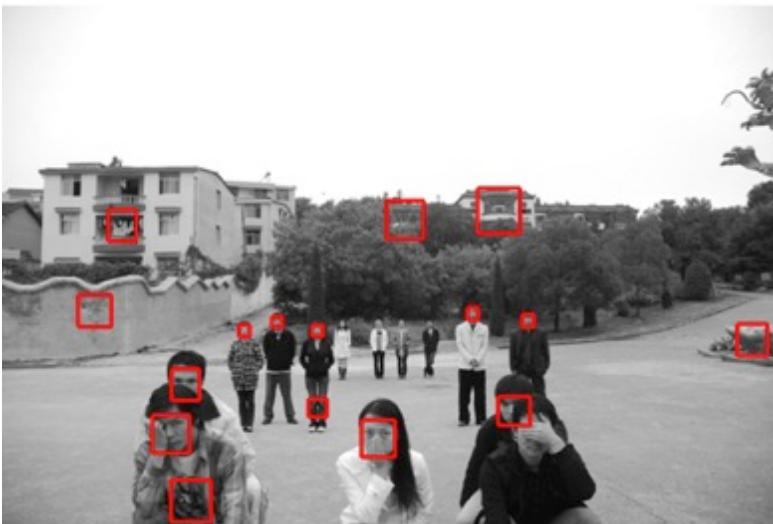
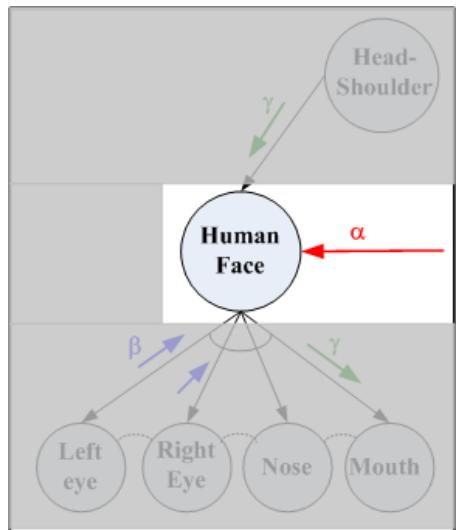
# $\alpha$ -channel: face



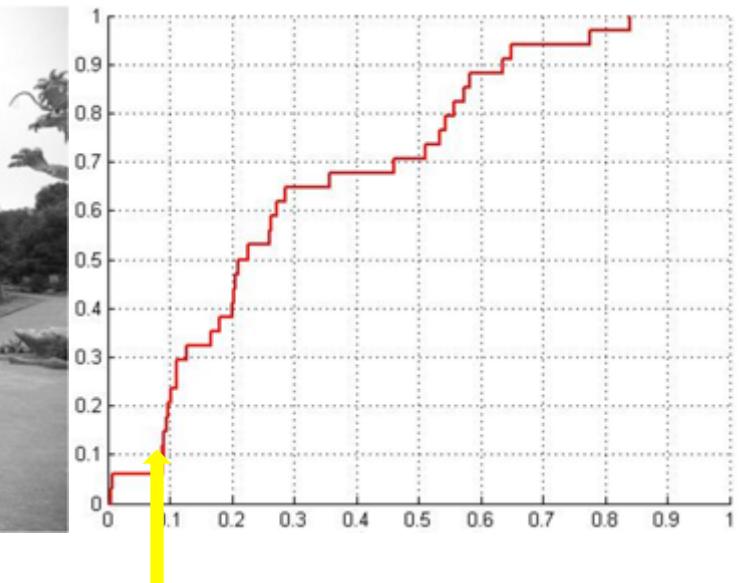
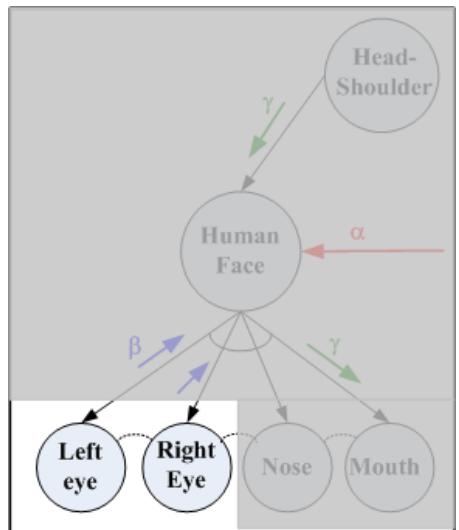
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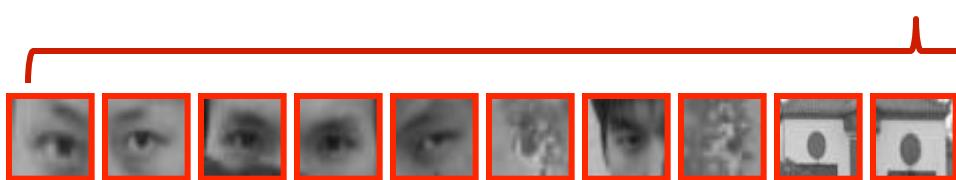
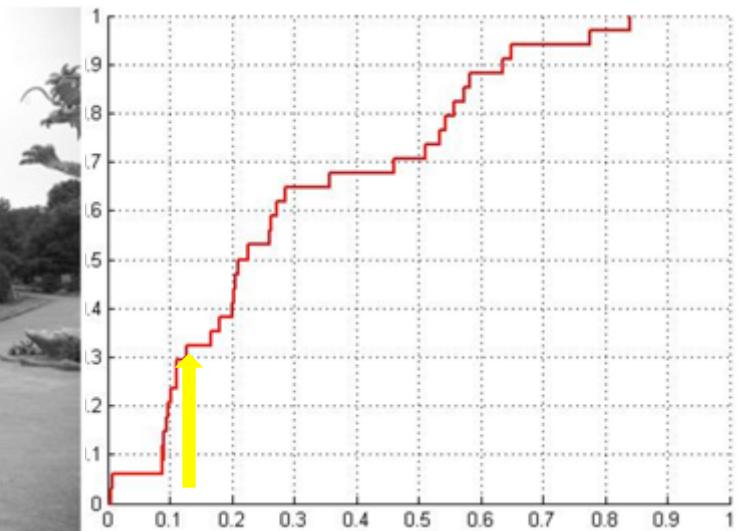
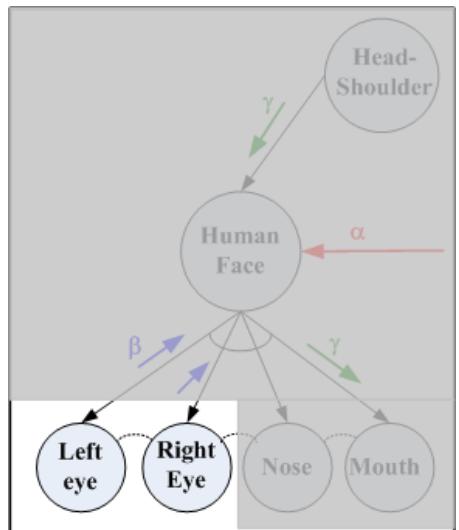
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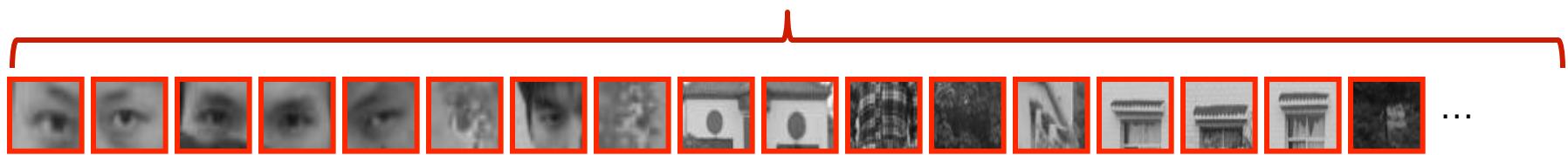
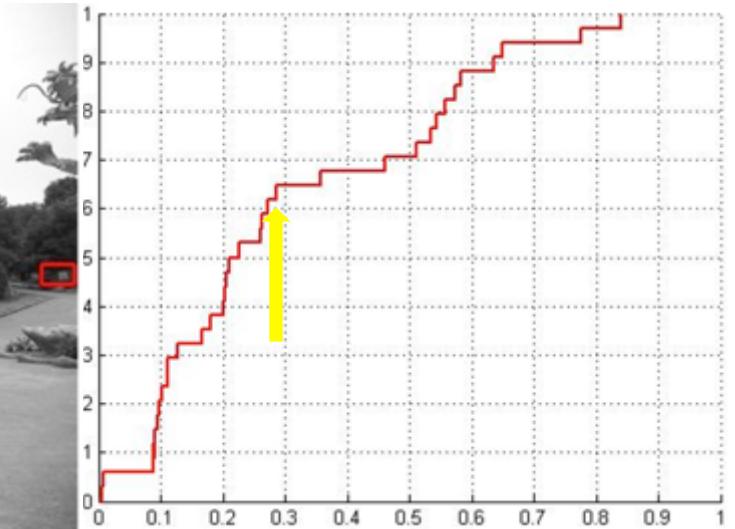
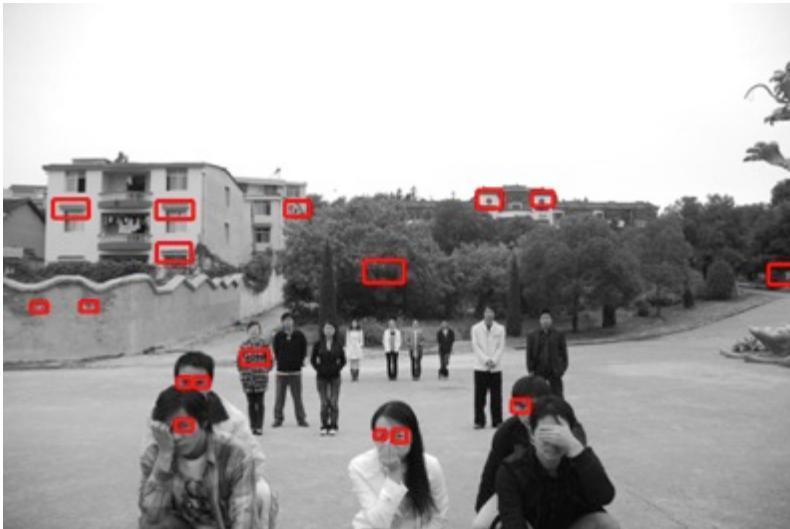
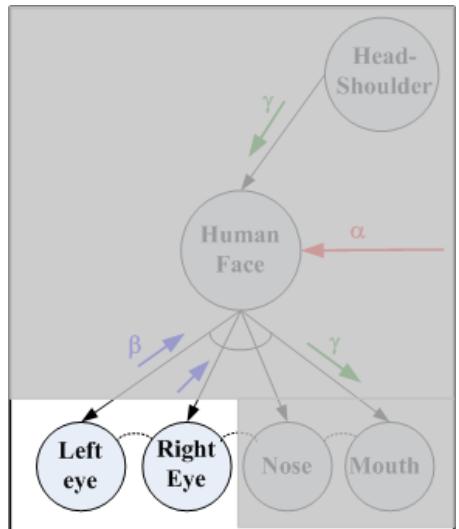
# $\alpha$ -channel: eye



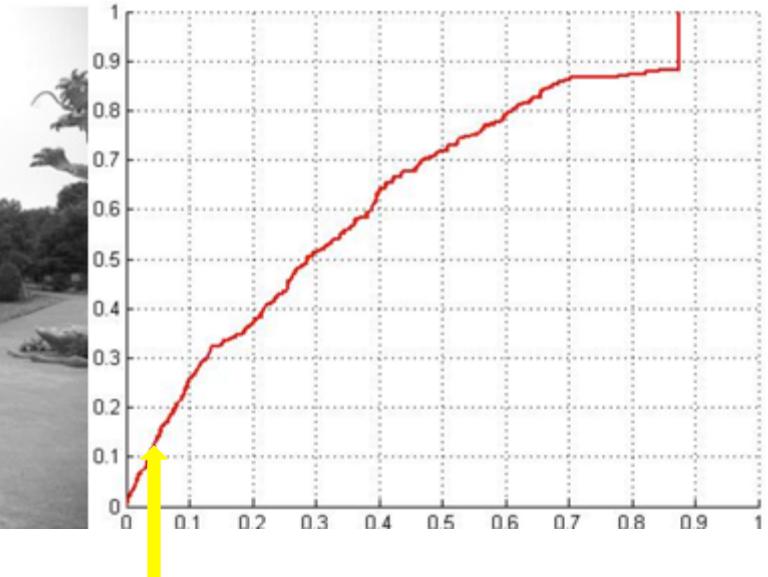
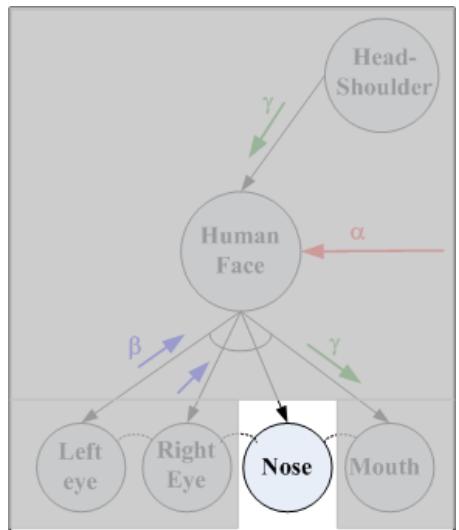
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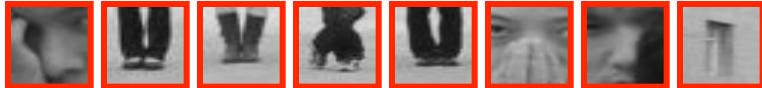
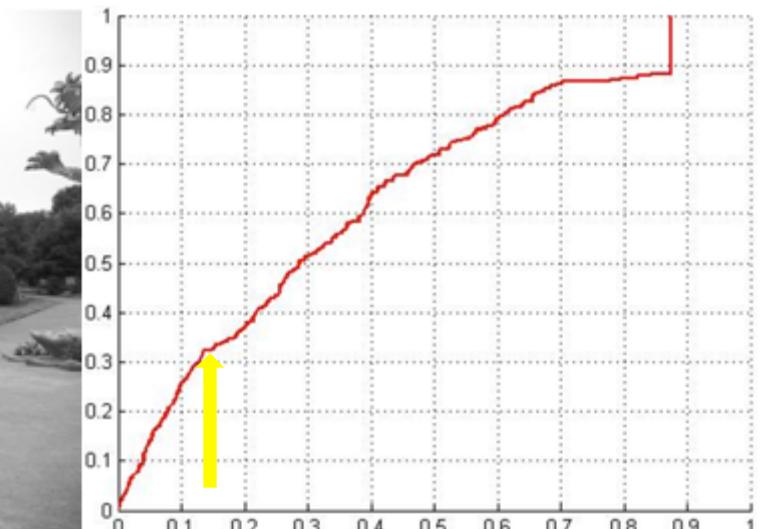
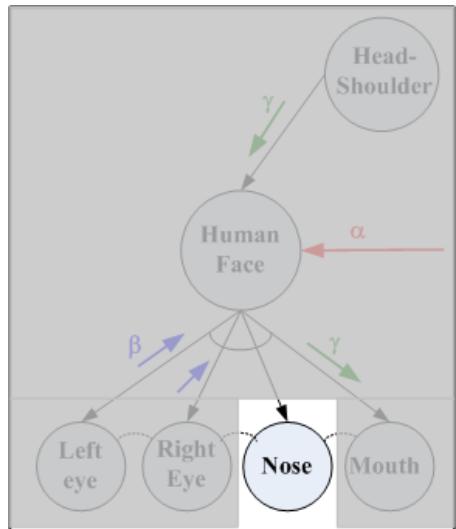
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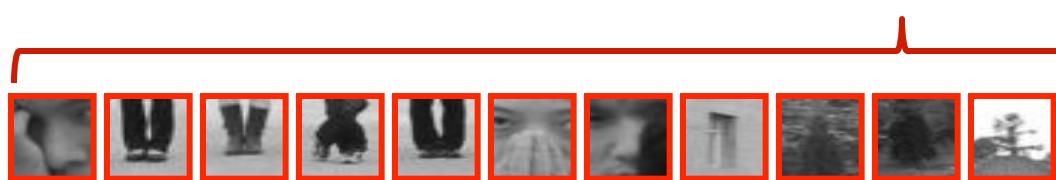
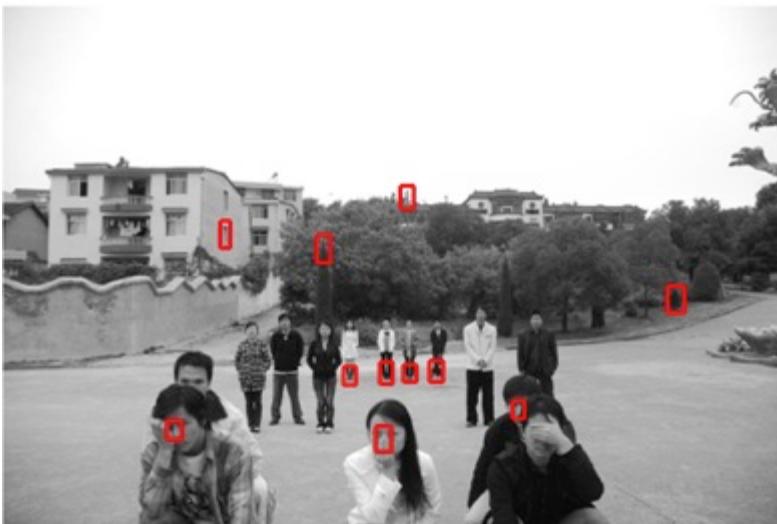
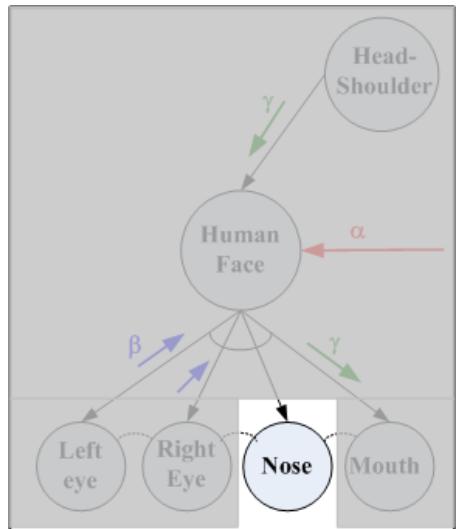
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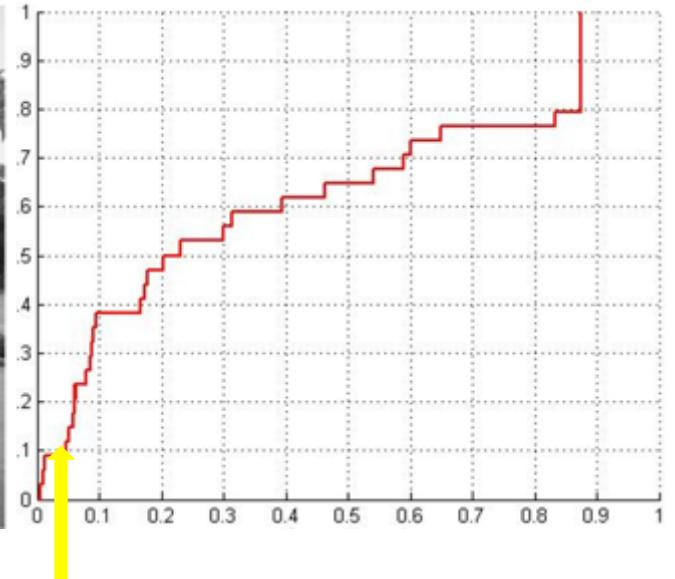
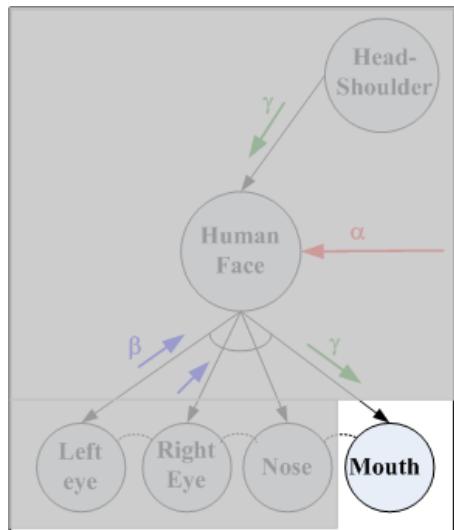
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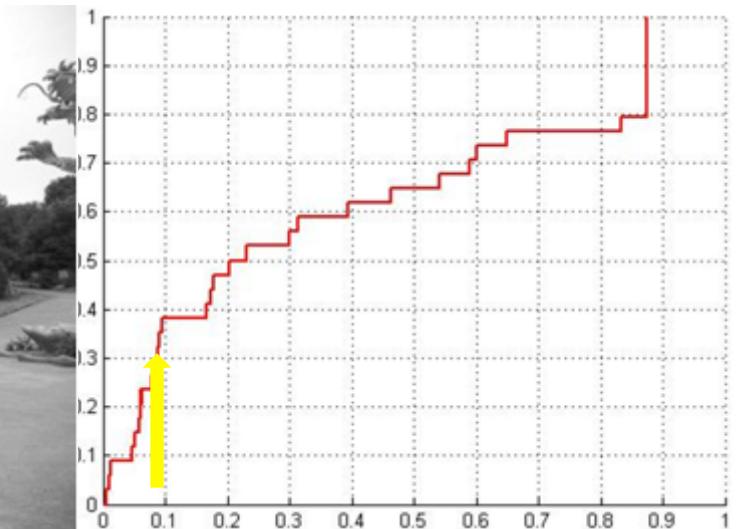
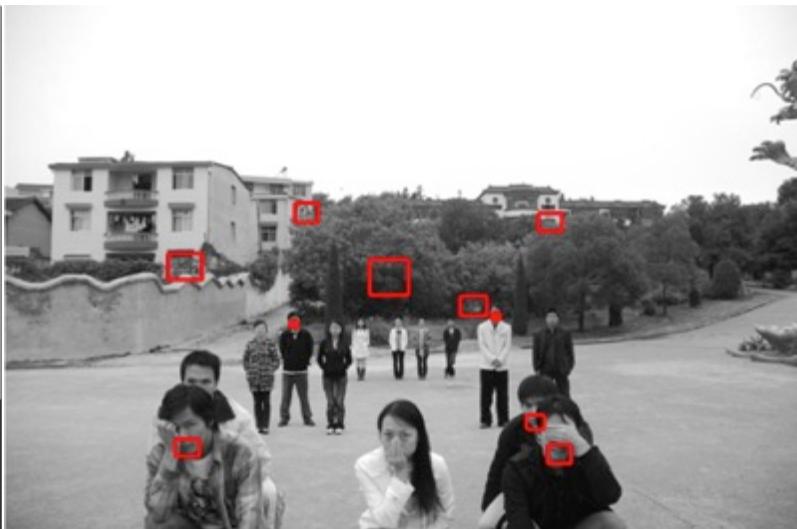
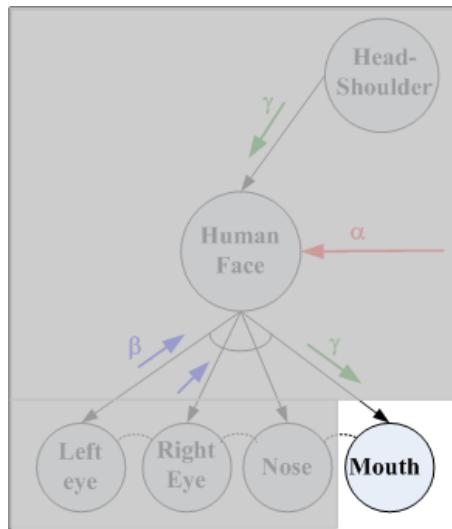
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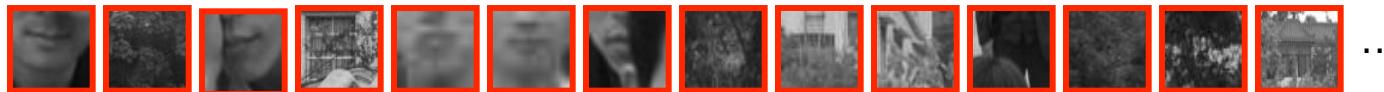
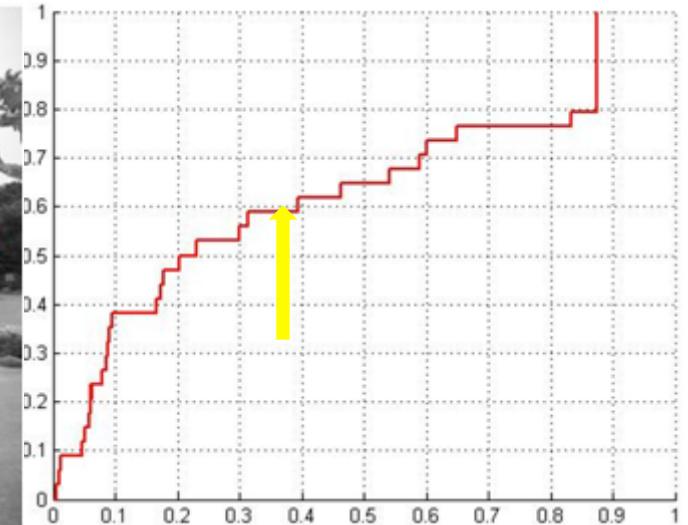
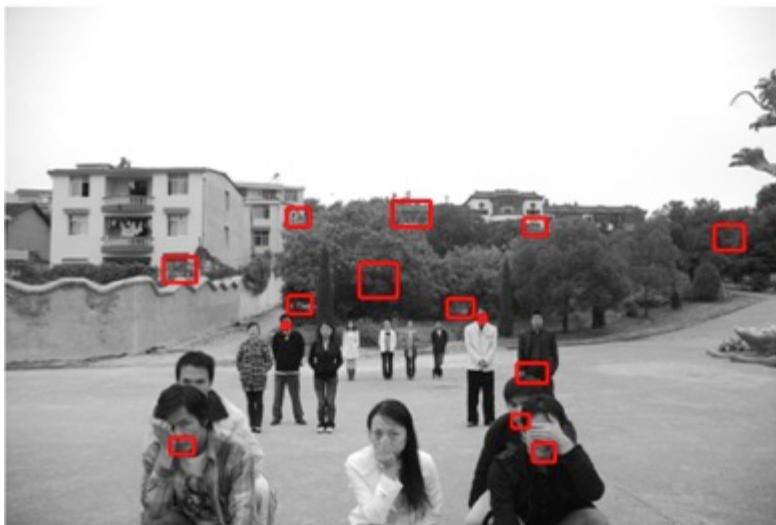
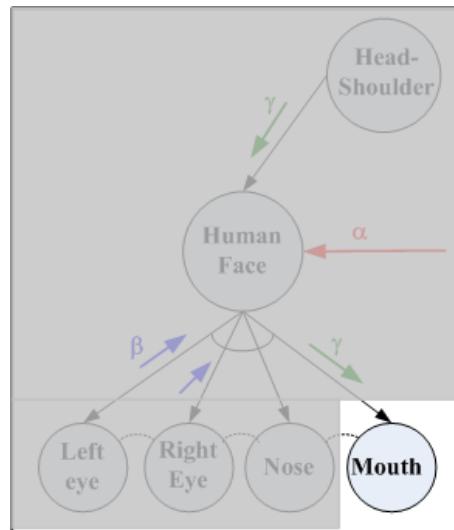
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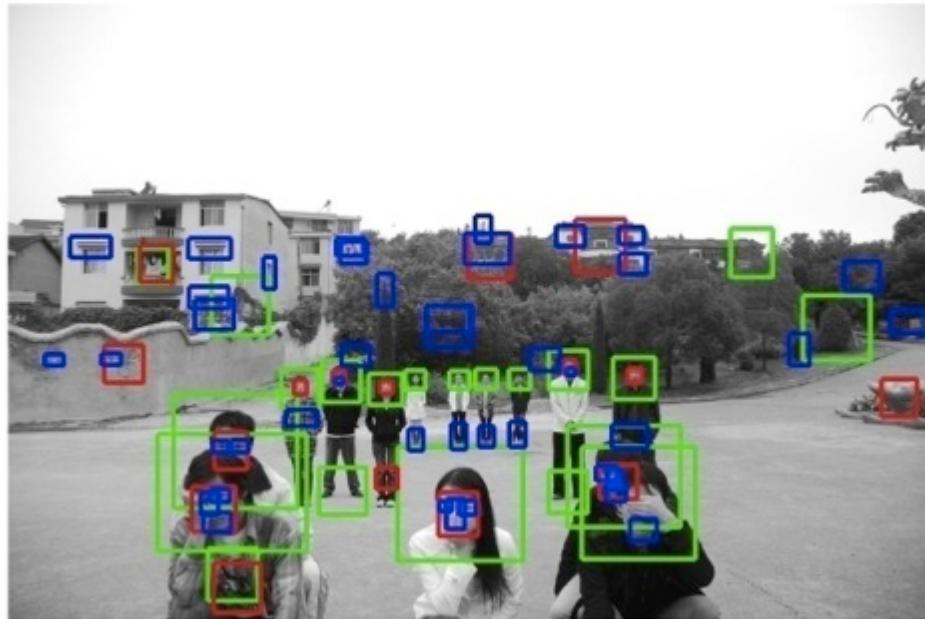
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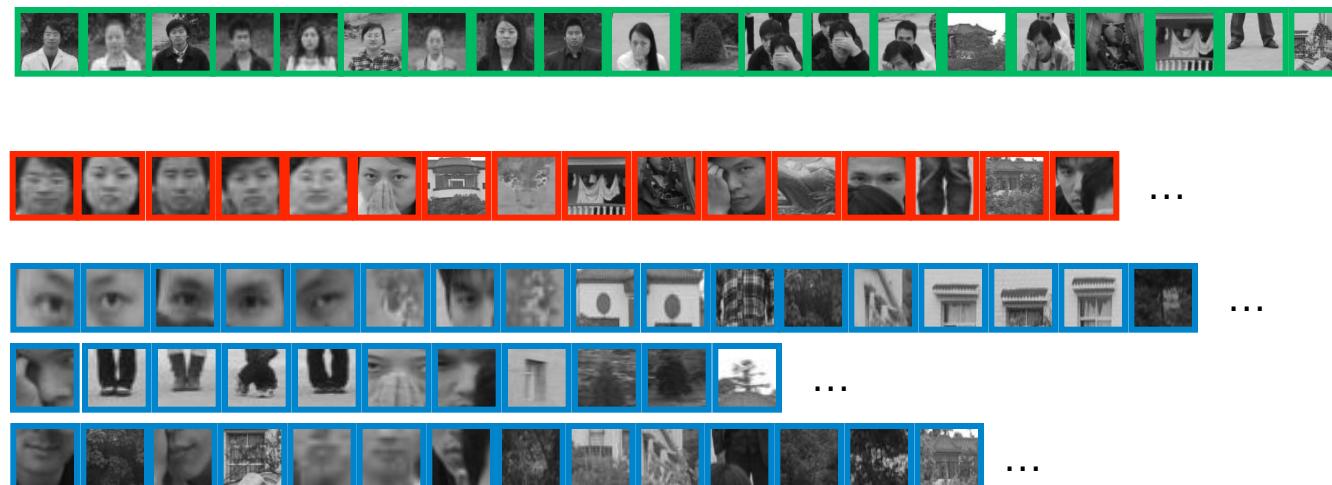
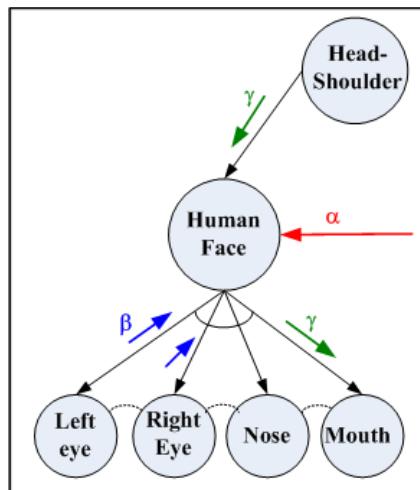
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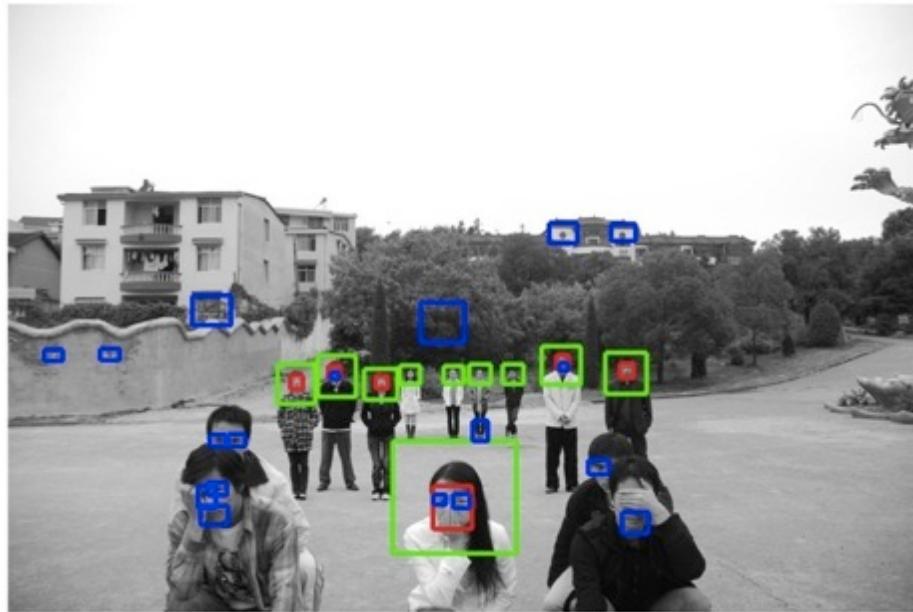
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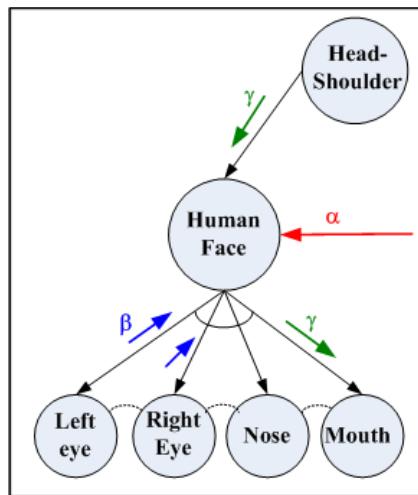
keep things and throw away stuffs  
by  
Integrating  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  channels



# Integrating $\alpha$ , $\beta$ and $\gamma$ channels



Thresholds



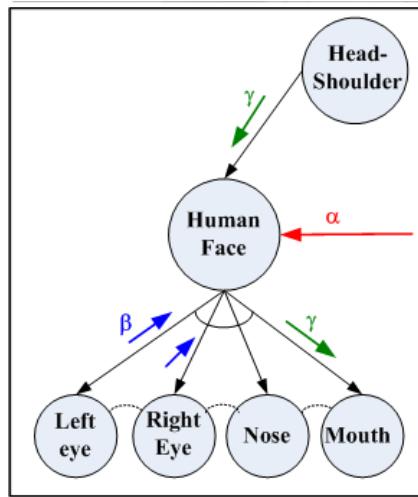
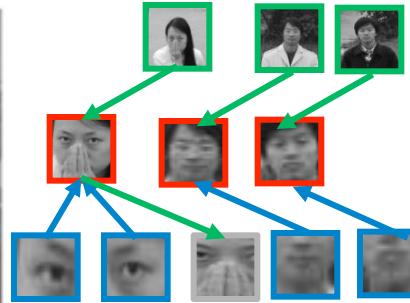
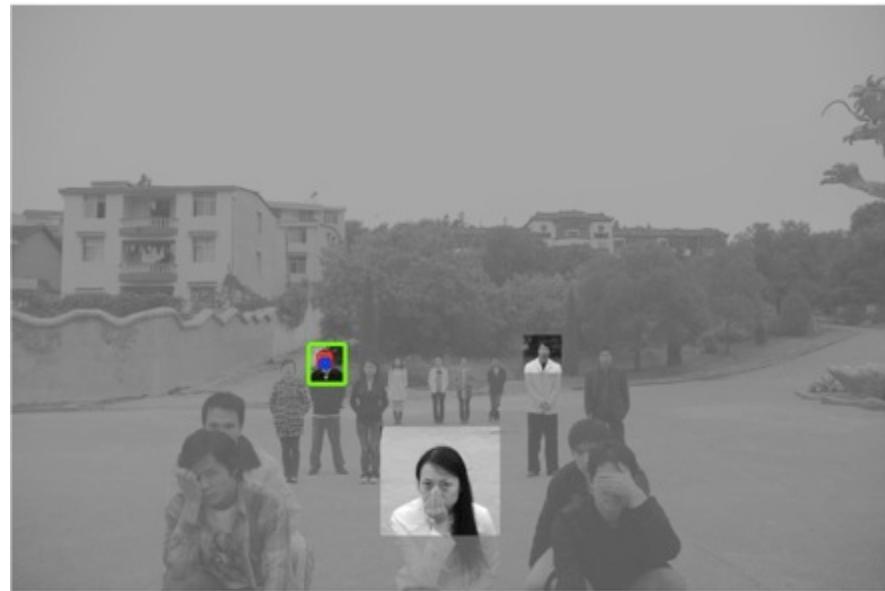
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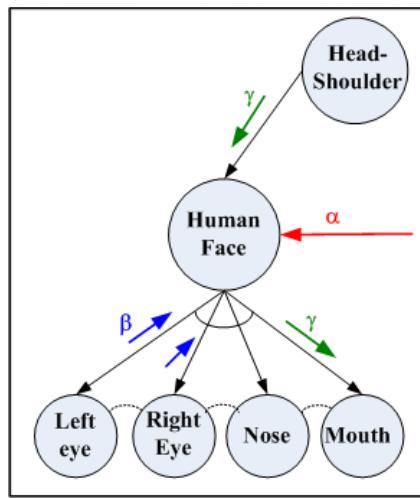
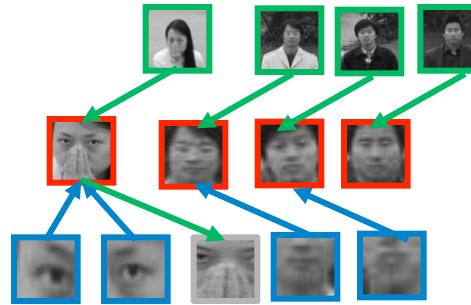
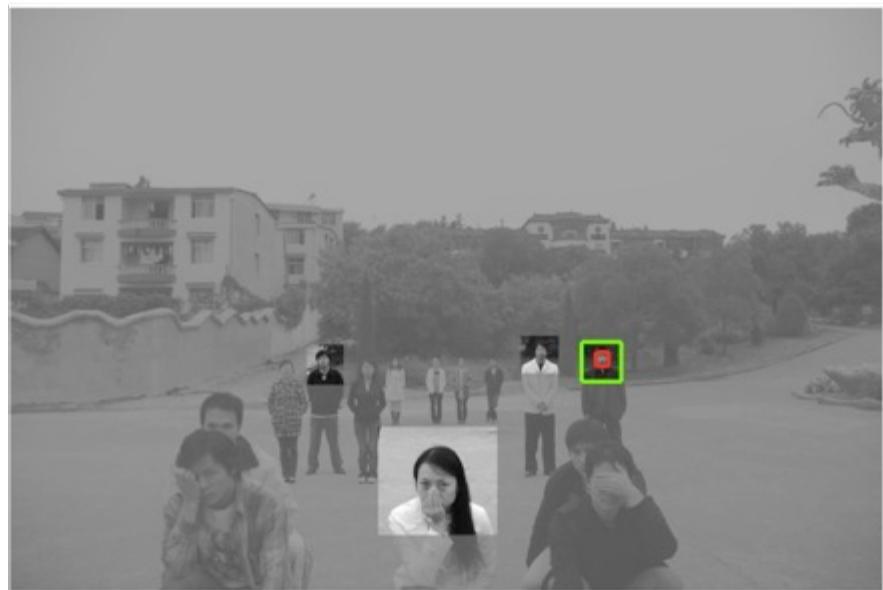
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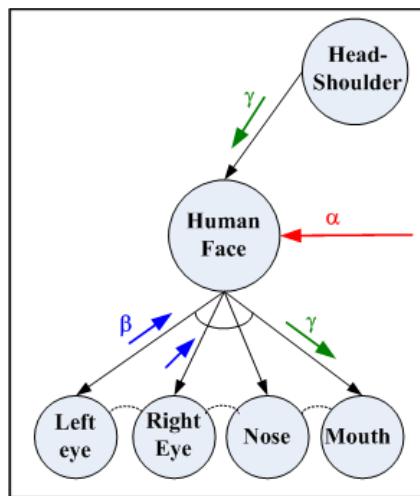
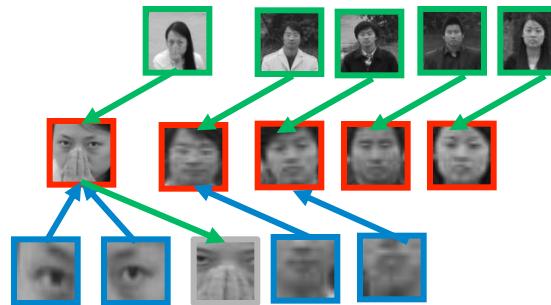
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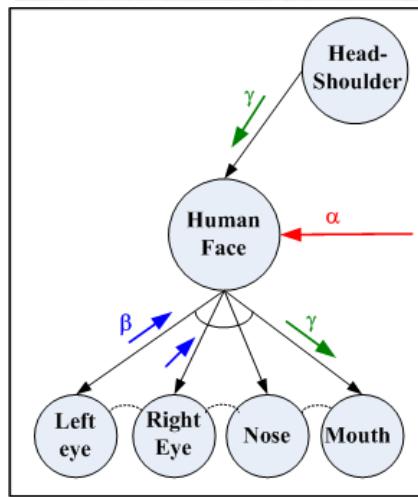
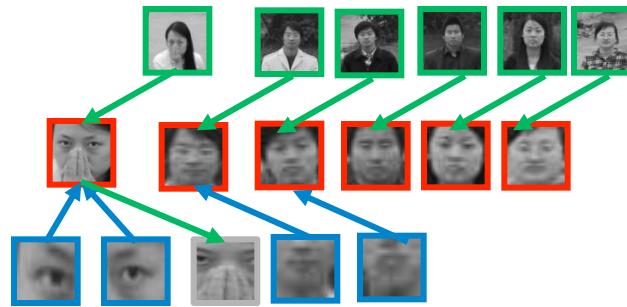
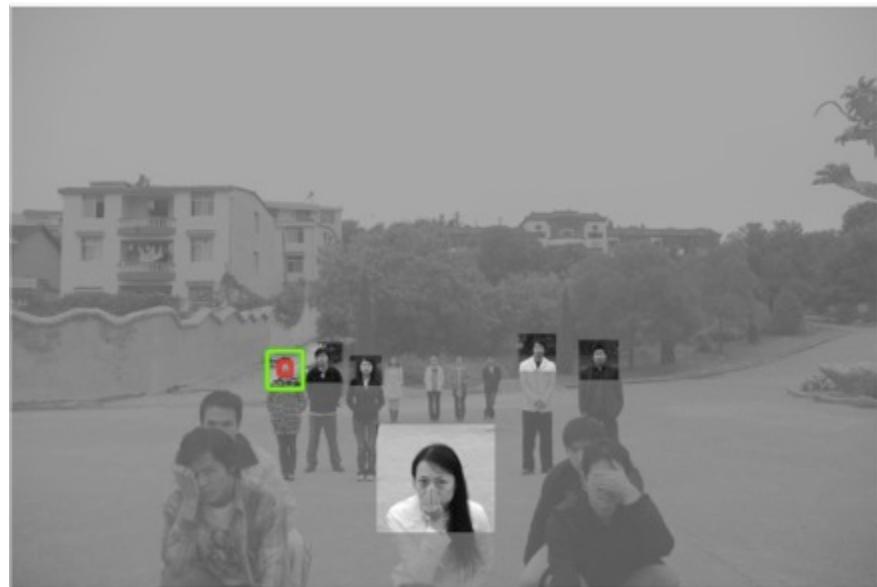
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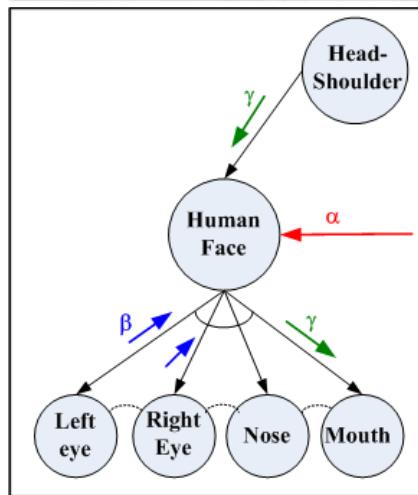
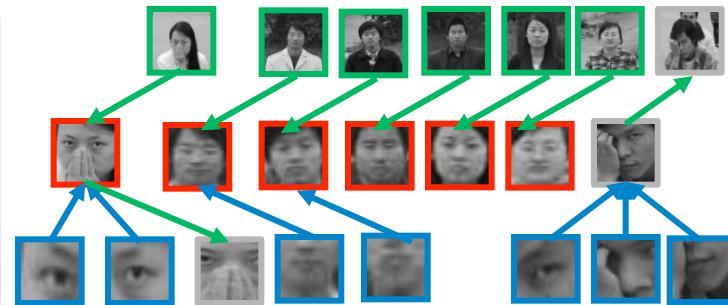
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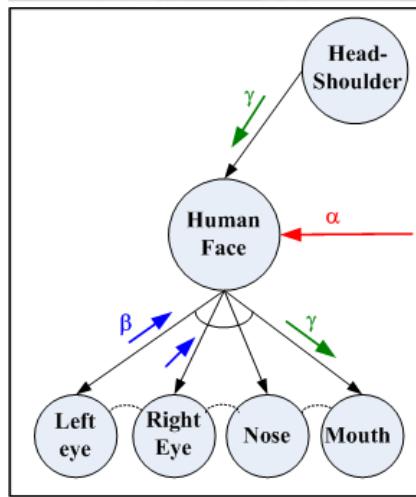
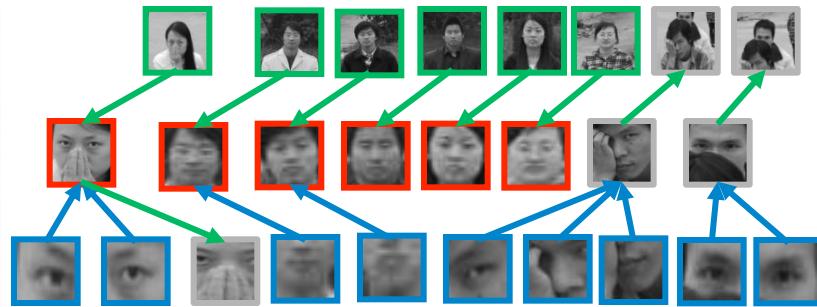
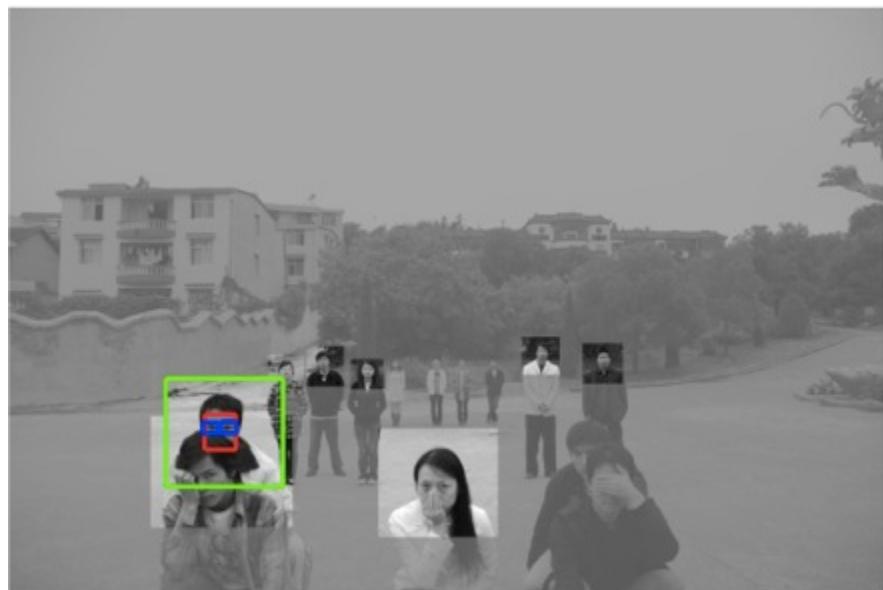
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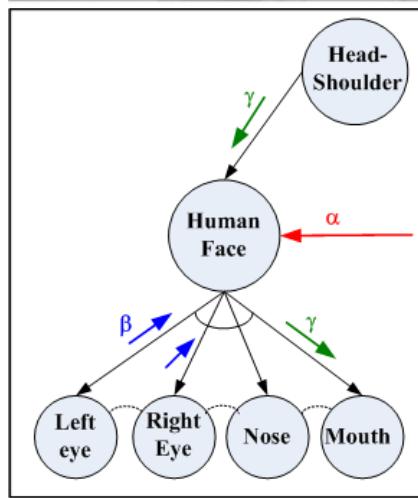
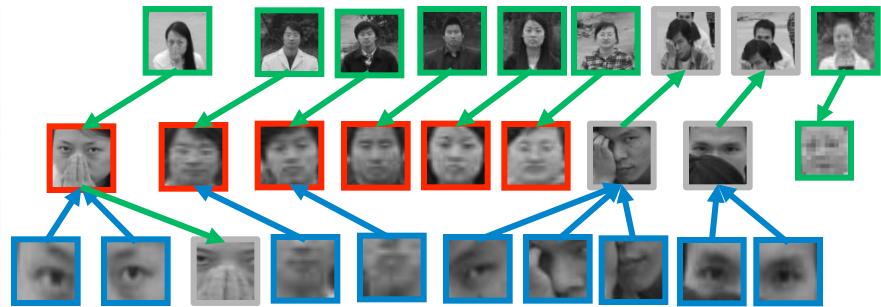
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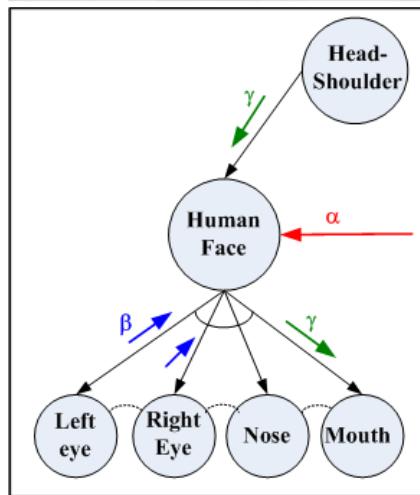
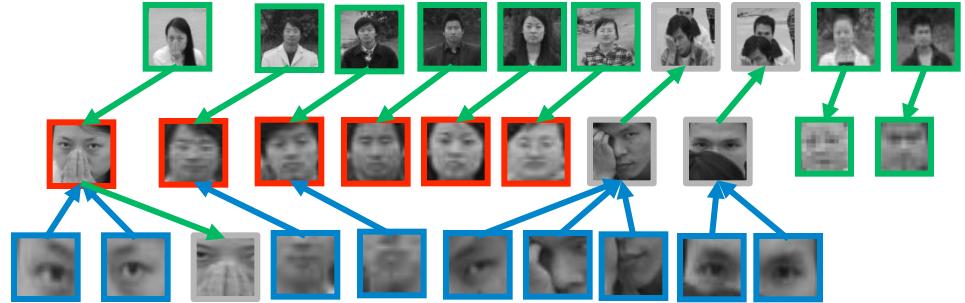
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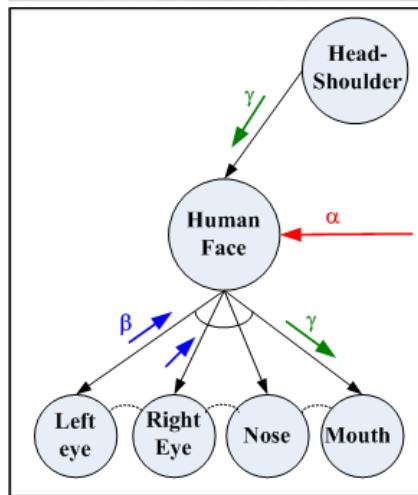
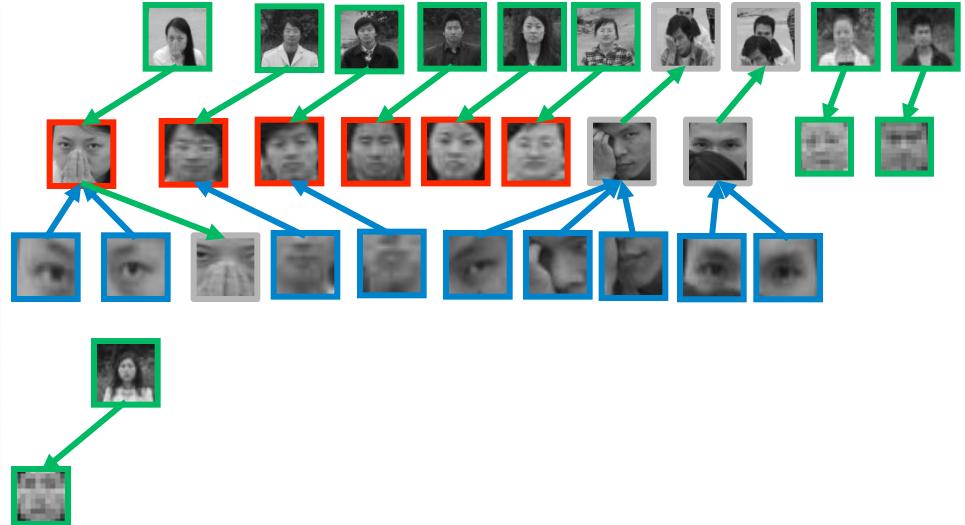
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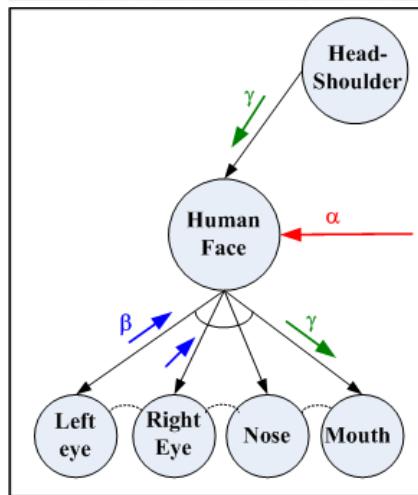
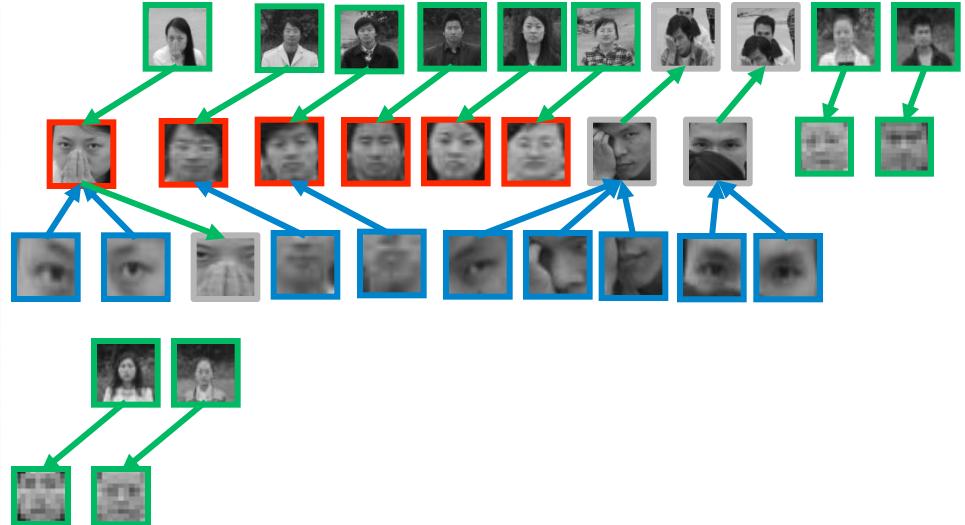
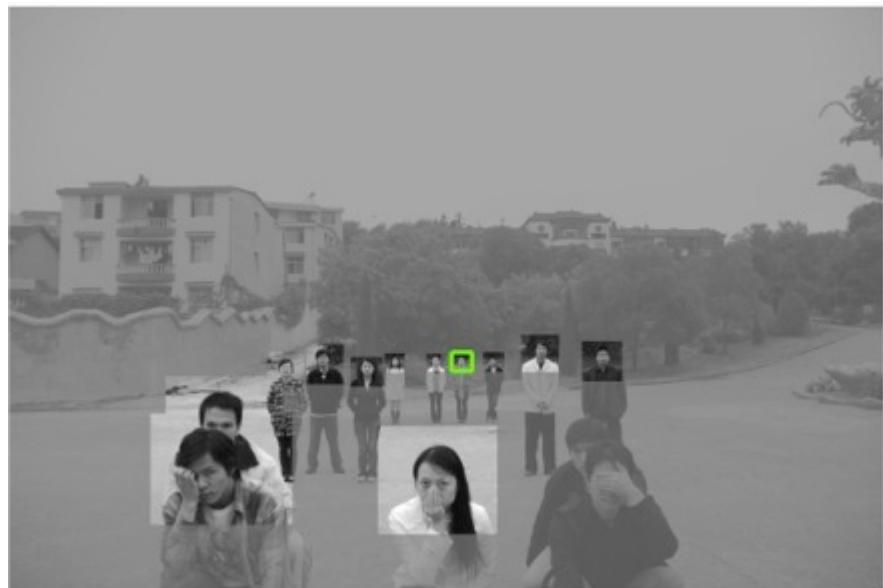
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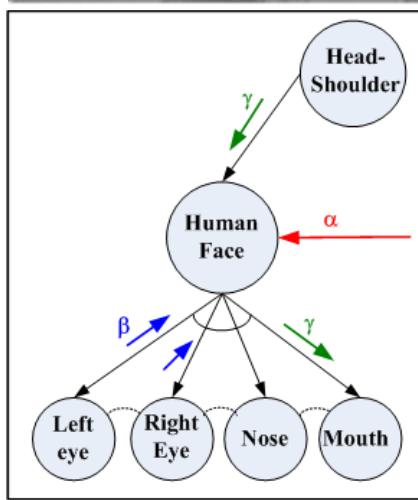
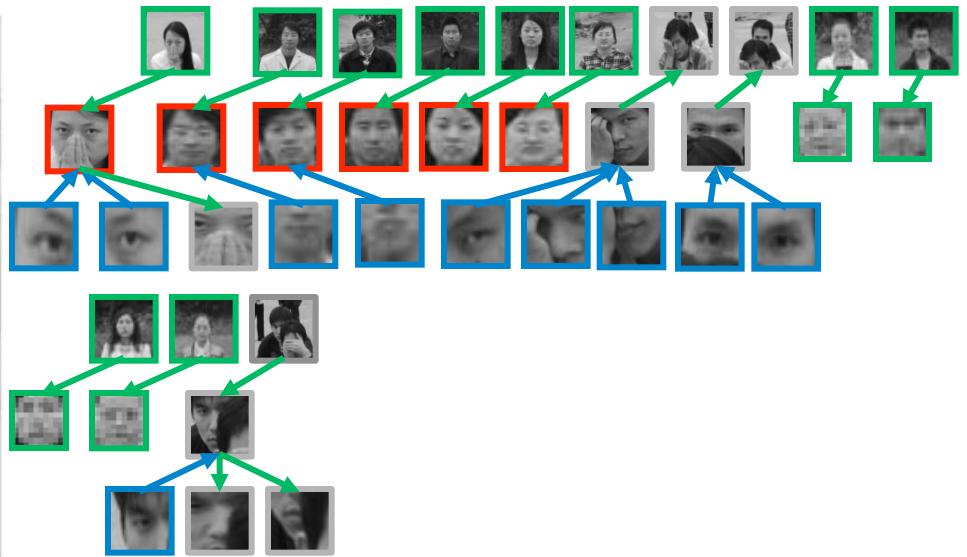
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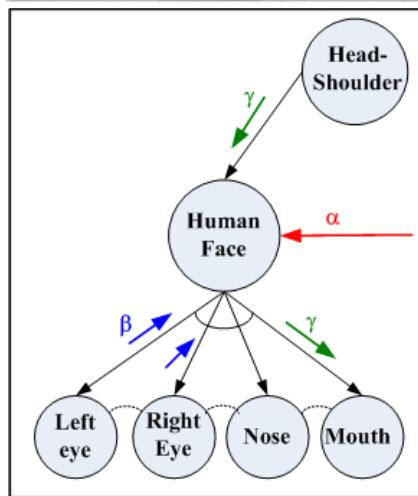
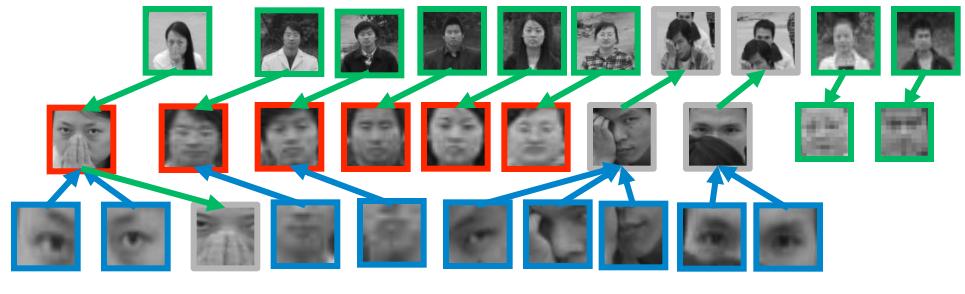
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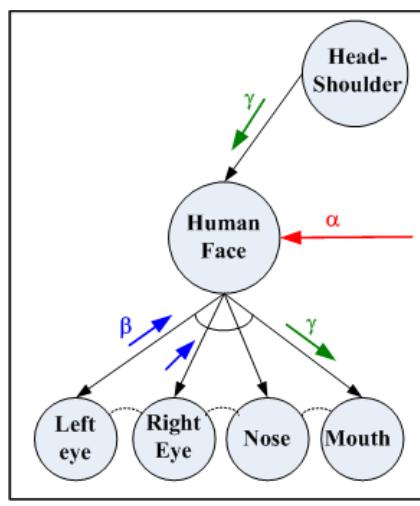
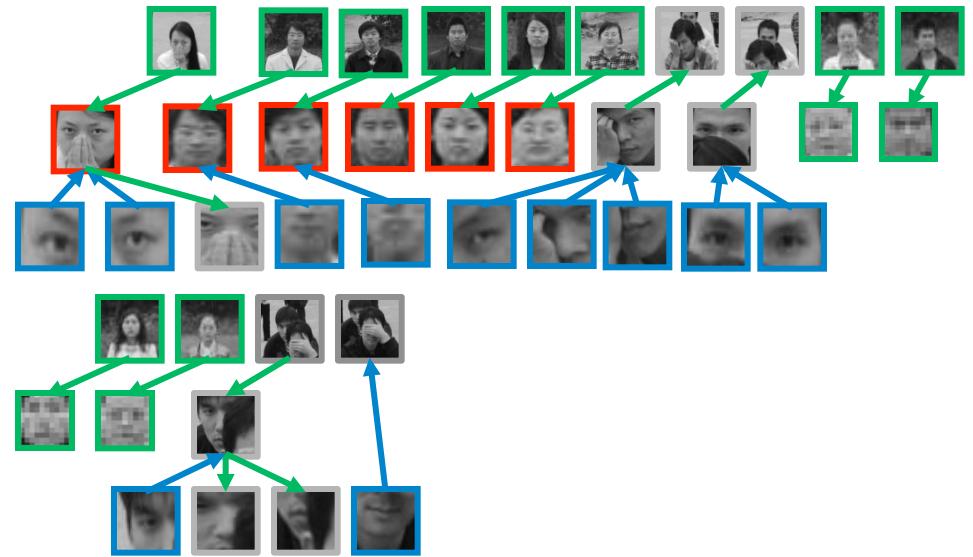
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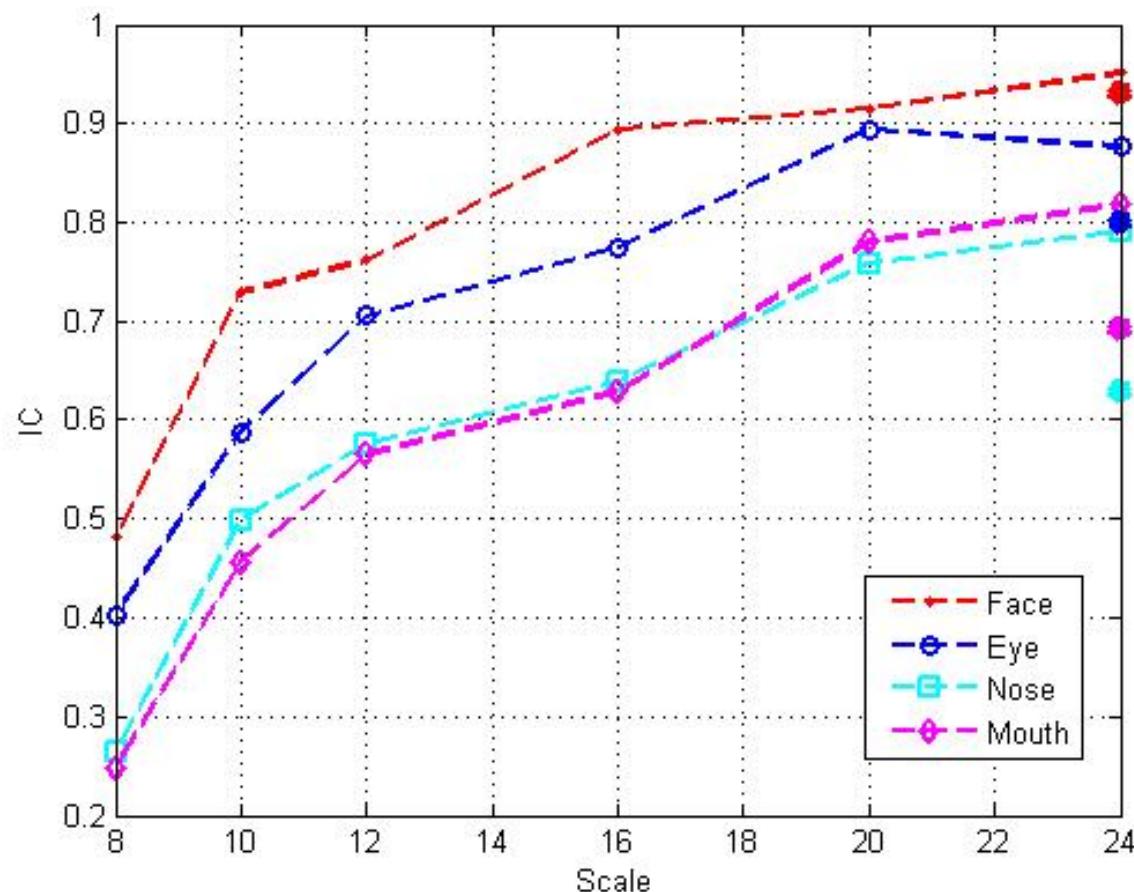


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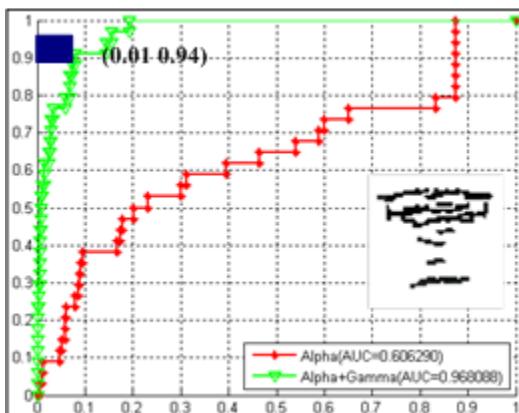
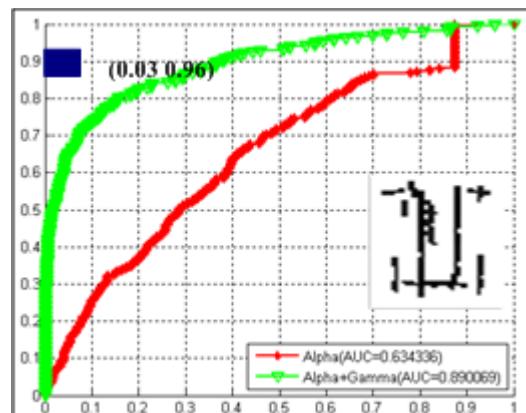
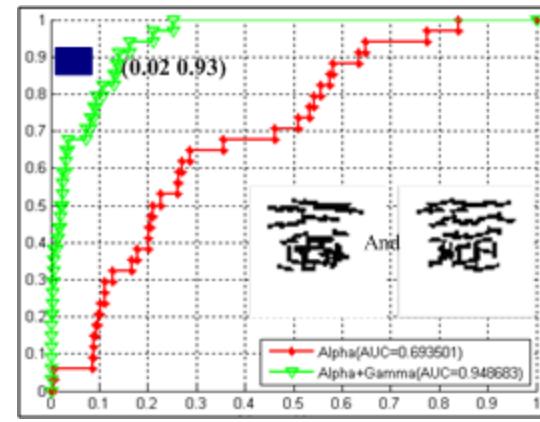
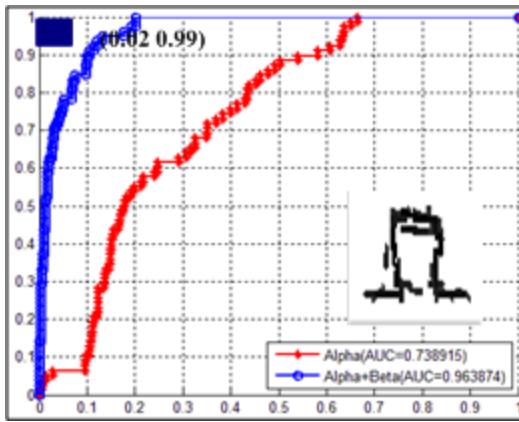
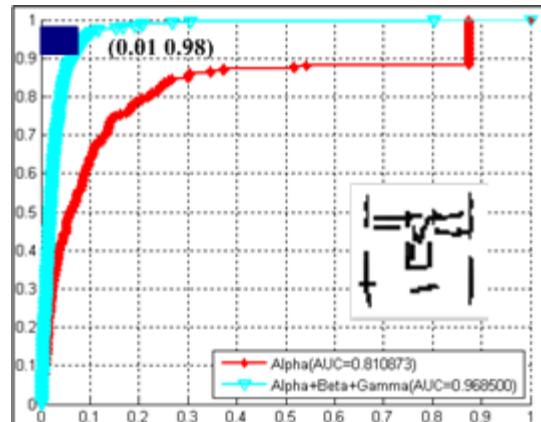
# Information contribution

$\alpha$  channels



# Performance improvement

red for  $\alpha$ , blue for  $\alpha+\beta$ , green for  $\alpha+\gamma$ , cyan for  $\alpha+\beta+\gamma$  channels



# Cost-Sensitive and Goal-Guided Inference in AoG

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At CVPR, Providence, Rhode Island  
June 16, 2012

# Problem



Given a high-resolution and long video, showing

- Spatially large scenes,
- Many people engaged in a wide range of
  - individual actions
  - group activities

# Problem



Goal:

Answer **WHAT**, **WHERE**, and **WHEN** queries about

- individual actions
- group activities

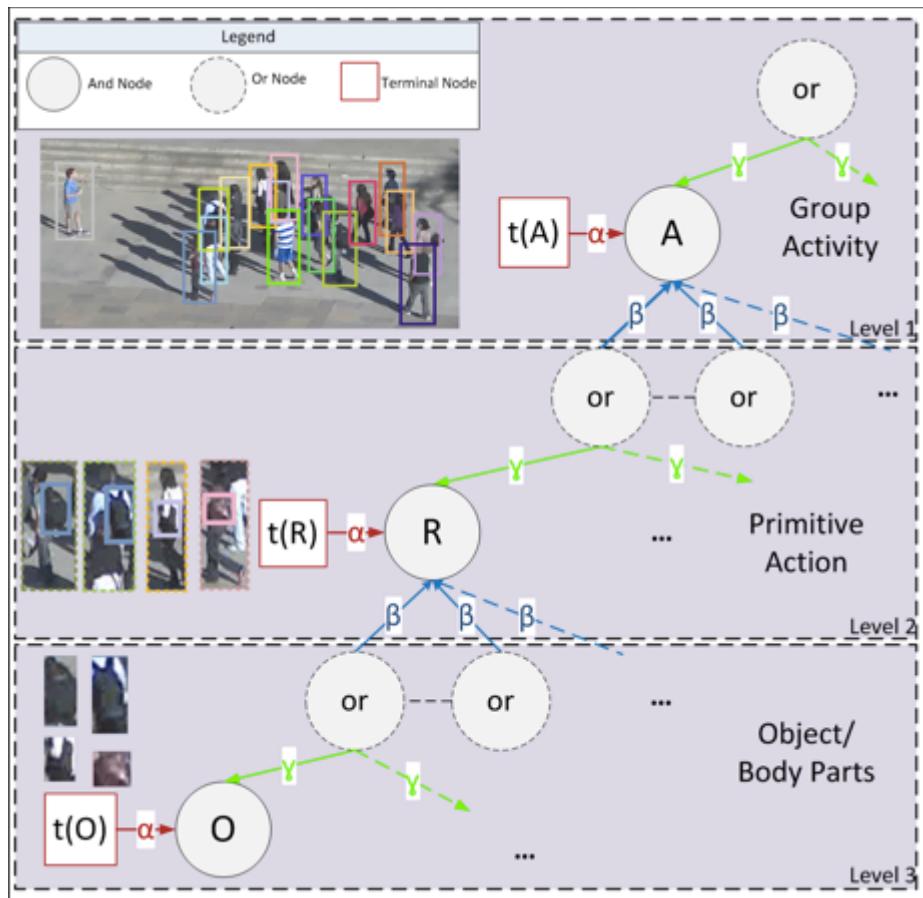
# Multiscale Event Understanding



# A Principled Framework Needed for

- **Goal-driven** zooming-in or zooming-out,
- **Cost-sensitive** inference via
  - Scheduling of the bottom-up and top-down inference
  - Any-time inference -- adapt to a given time budget

# And-Or Graph and Parse Graph



$$pg^{l*} = \arg \max_{pg} \left[ \underbrace{\log p(\wedge^l | \vee^l) + p(N) \sum_{i=1}^N \log p(X(\wedge_i^{l+}) | X(\wedge^l))}_{\text{parse graph connectivity}} \right]$$

$\alpha$  = detector

$$+ \underbrace{\log \frac{p(\Delta(t(\wedge^l)) | t(\wedge^l))}{q(\Delta(t(\wedge^l)))}}_{\alpha}$$

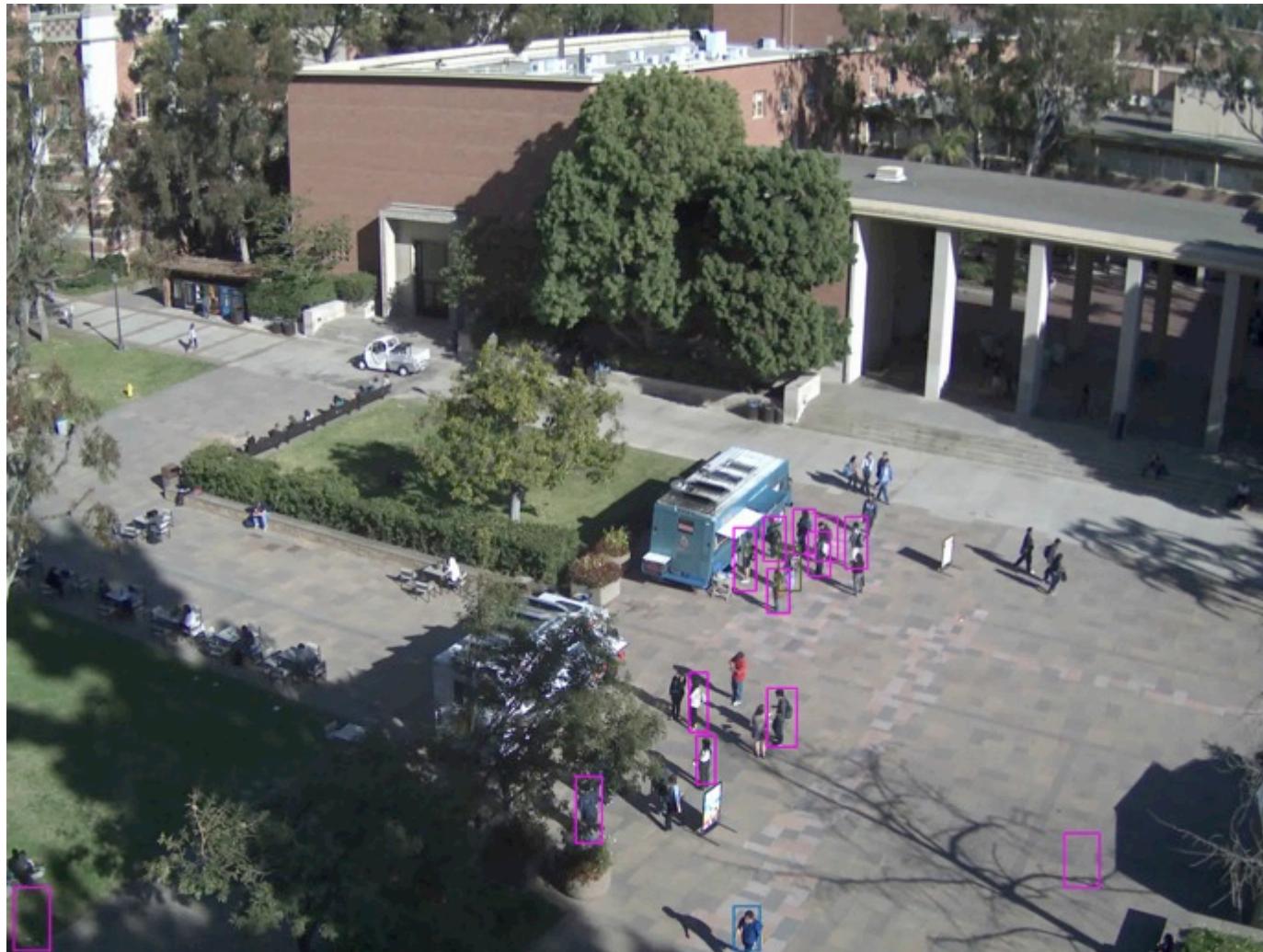
$\beta$  = zoom-in

$$+ p(N) \left[ \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N \log \frac{p(\Delta(t(\wedge_i^{l+})) | t(\wedge_i^{l+}))}{q(\Delta(t(\wedge_i^{l+})))} + \sum_{i \neq j} \log p(X(\wedge_i^{l+}), X(\wedge_j^{l+}))}_{\beta} \right]$$

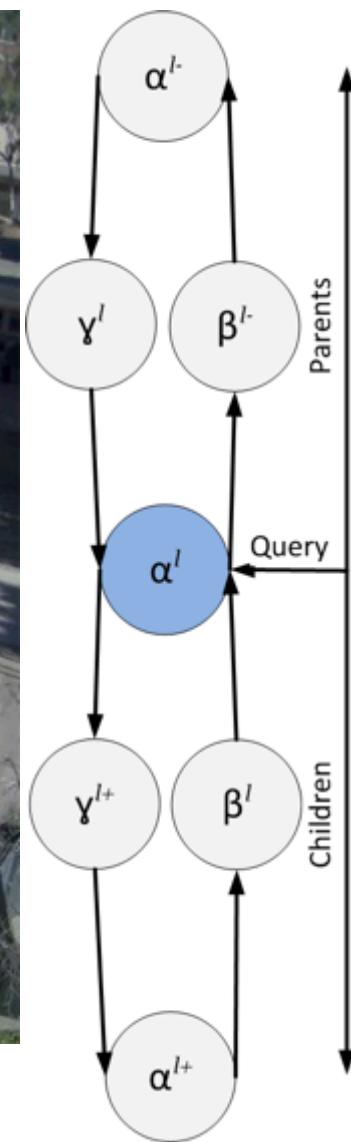
$\gamma$  = zoom-out

$$+ \underbrace{\log \frac{p(\Delta(t(\wedge^{l-})) | t(\wedge^{l-}))}{q(\Delta(t(\wedge^{l-})))} + \log p(X(\wedge^l) | X(\wedge^{l-}))}_{\gamma}$$

# Inference -- Alpha of Individual Action



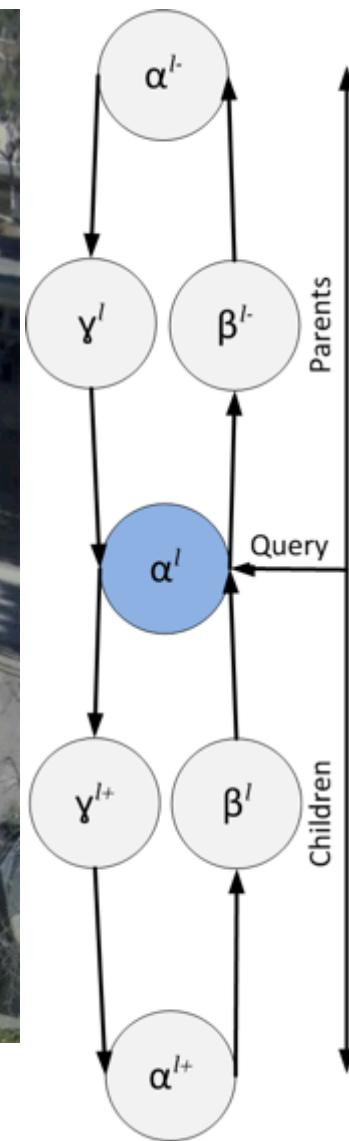
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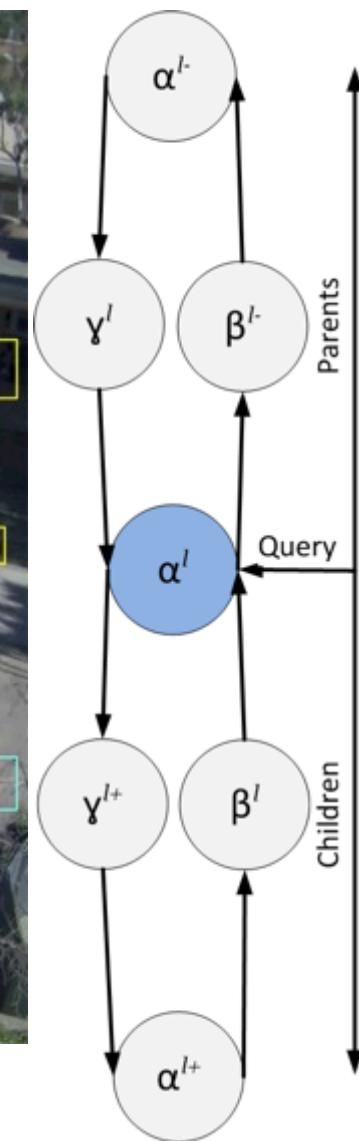
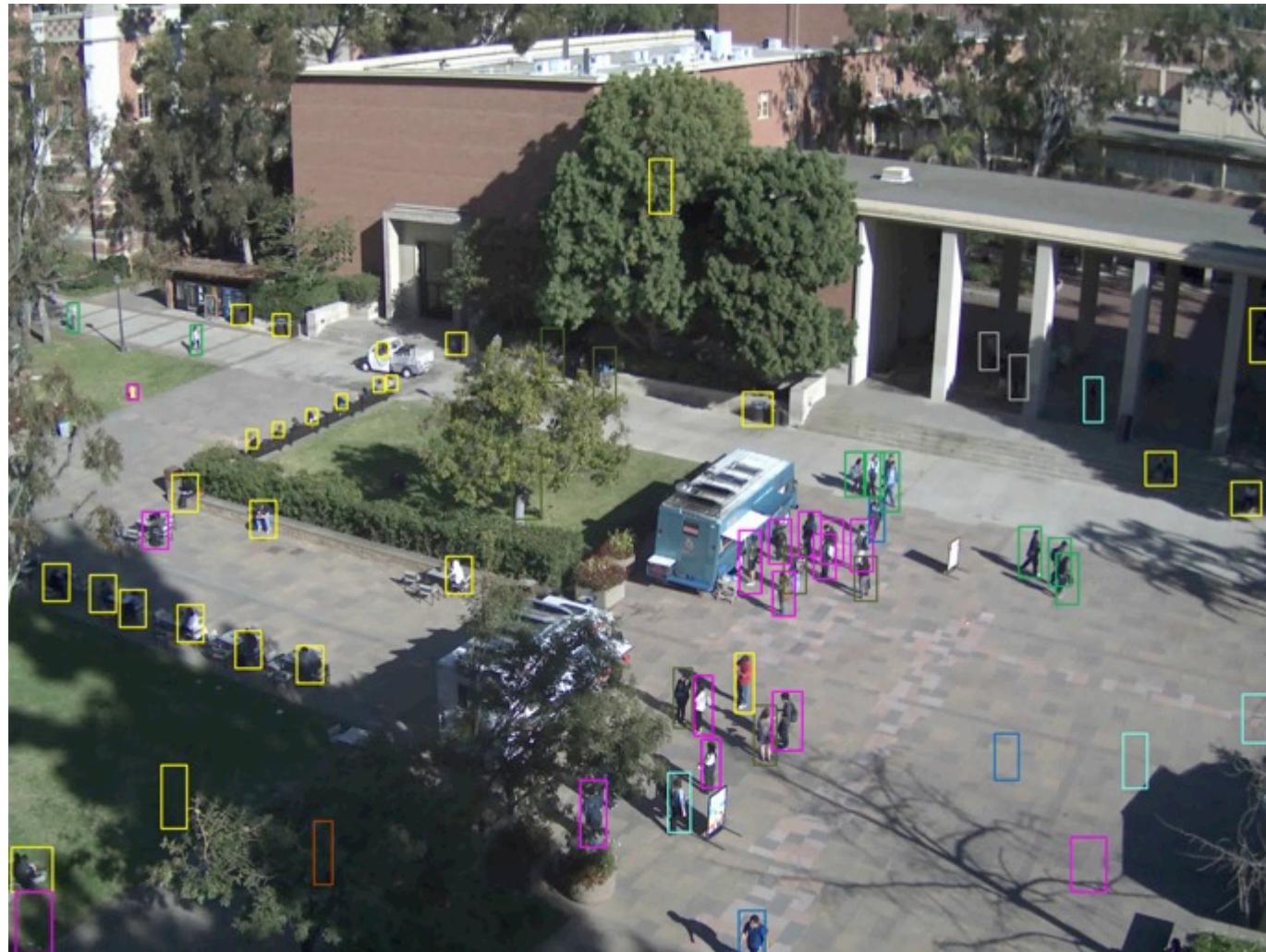
# Inference -- Alpha of Individual Action



 Waiting     Walking



# Inference -- Alpha of Individual Action



# Inference -- Bottom Up (Beta)



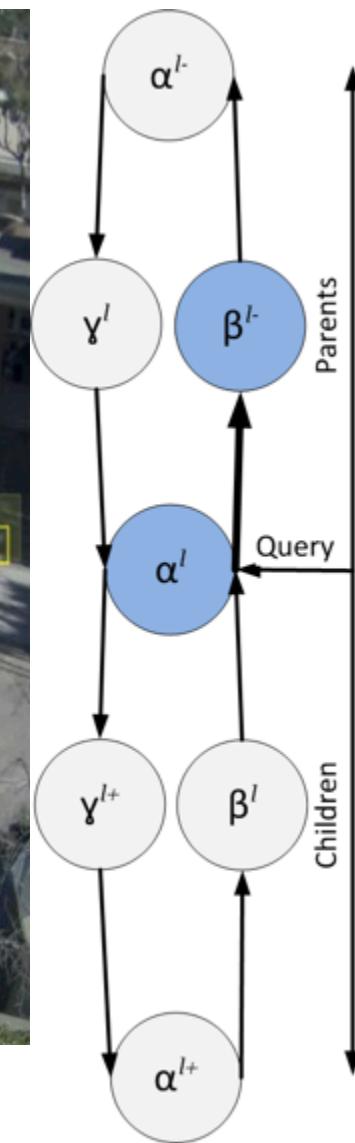
■ Group Walking

■ Group Discuss

■ Individual Walking

■ Individual Discuss

■ Individual Browsing

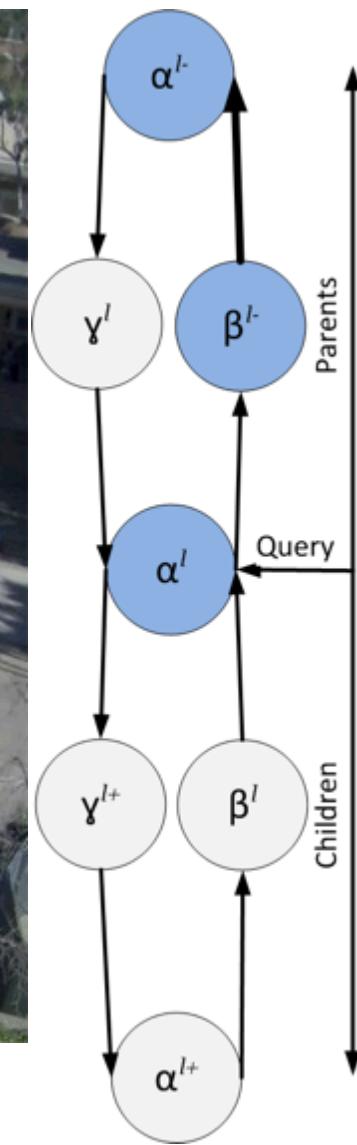


# Inference – Alpha of Group Activities

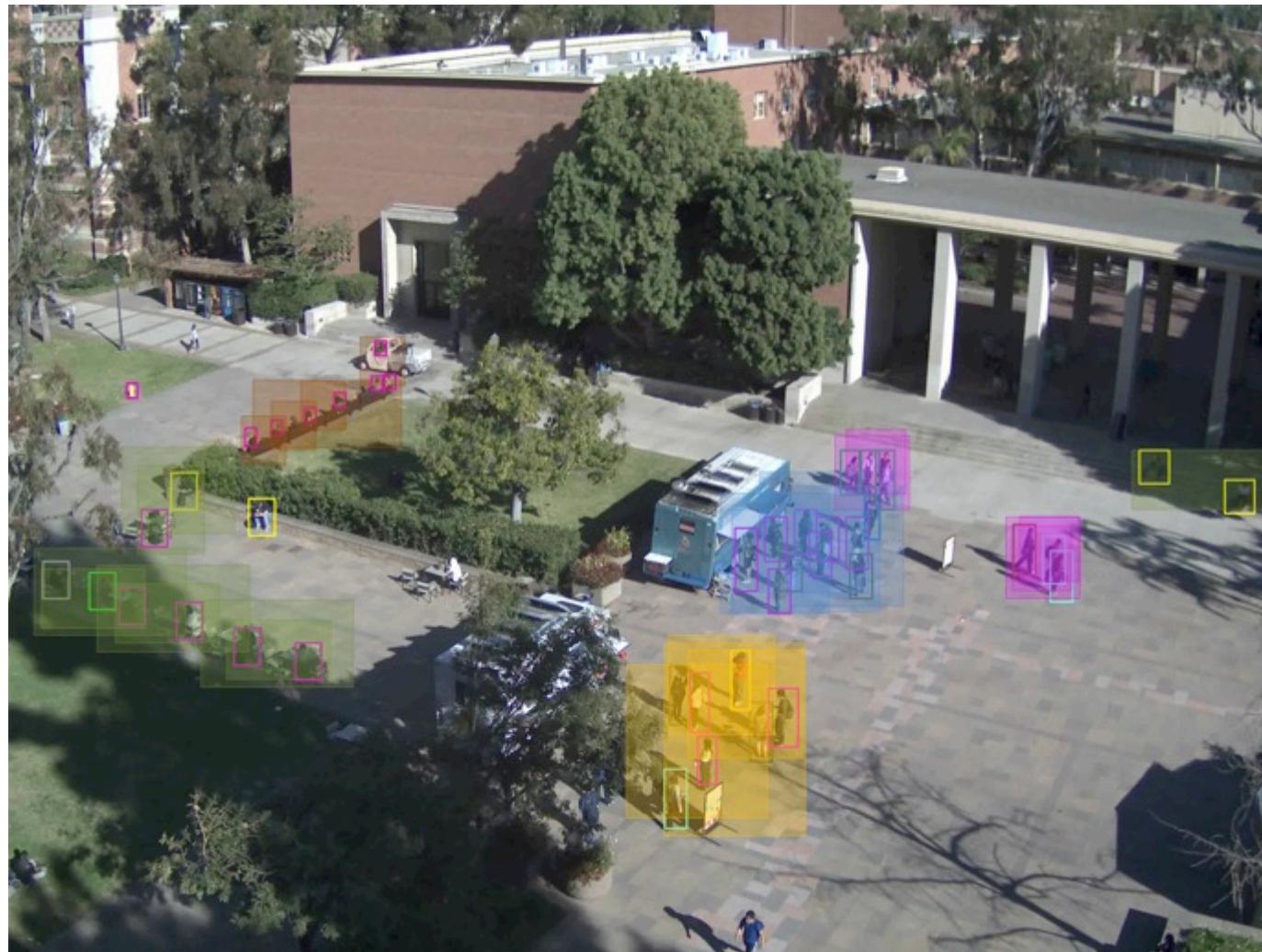


■ Group Walking

■ Group Discuss



# Inference -- Top Down (Gamma)



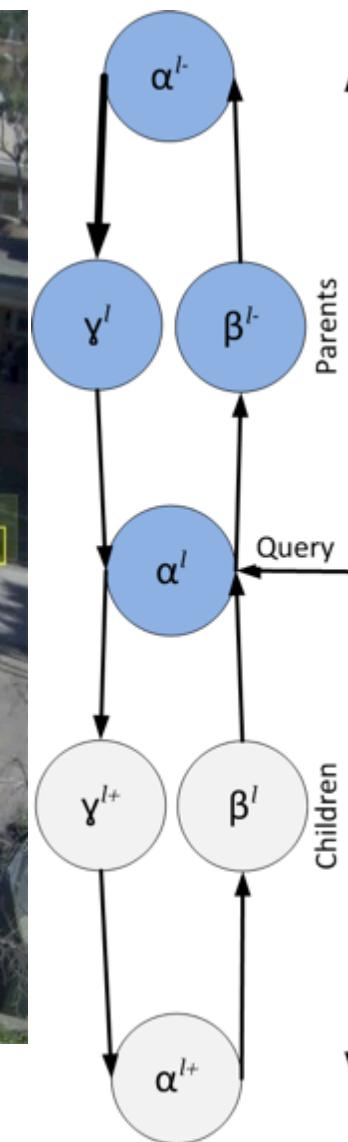
■ Group Walking

■ Group Discuss

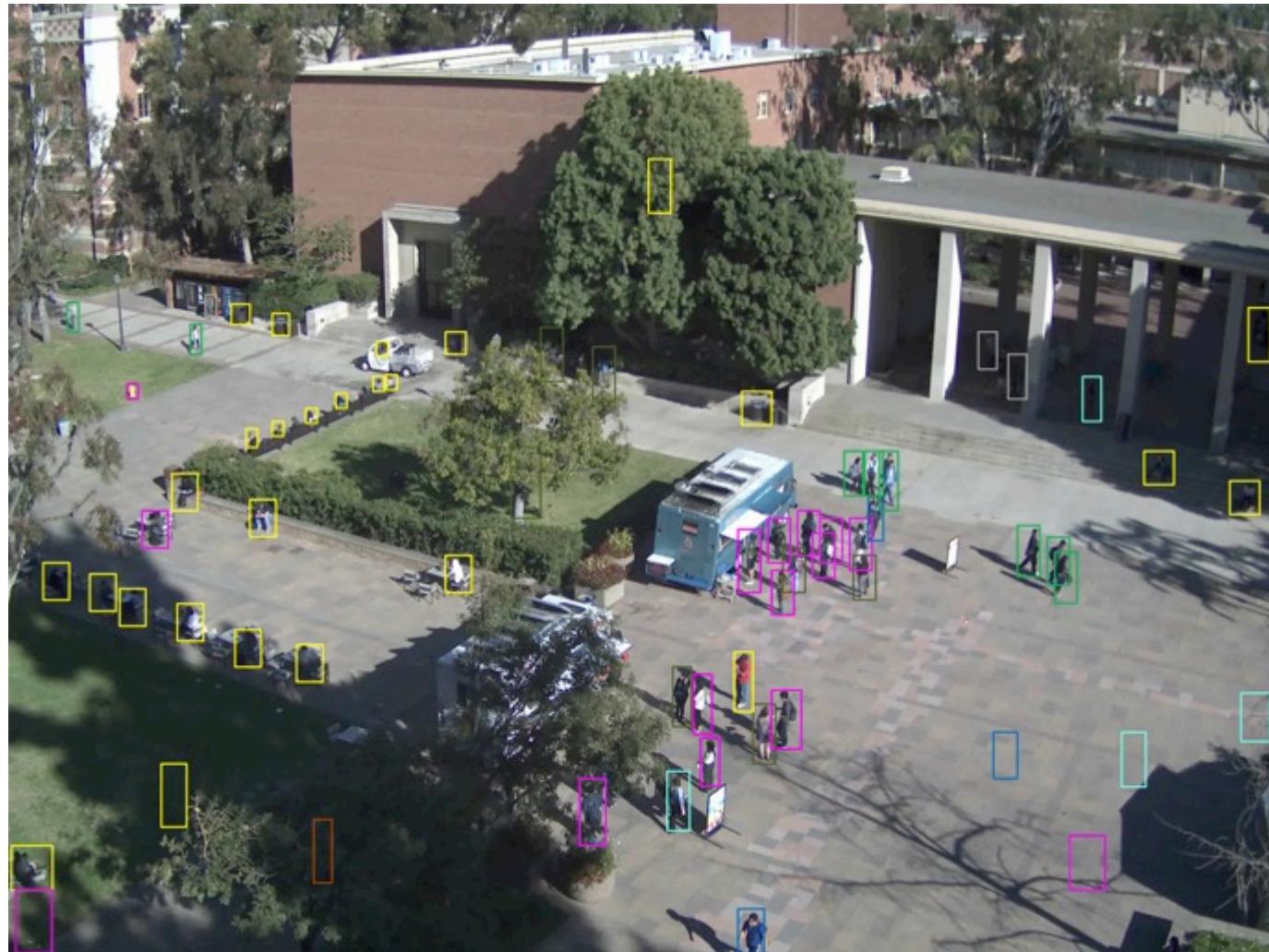
■ Individual Walking

■ Individual Discuss

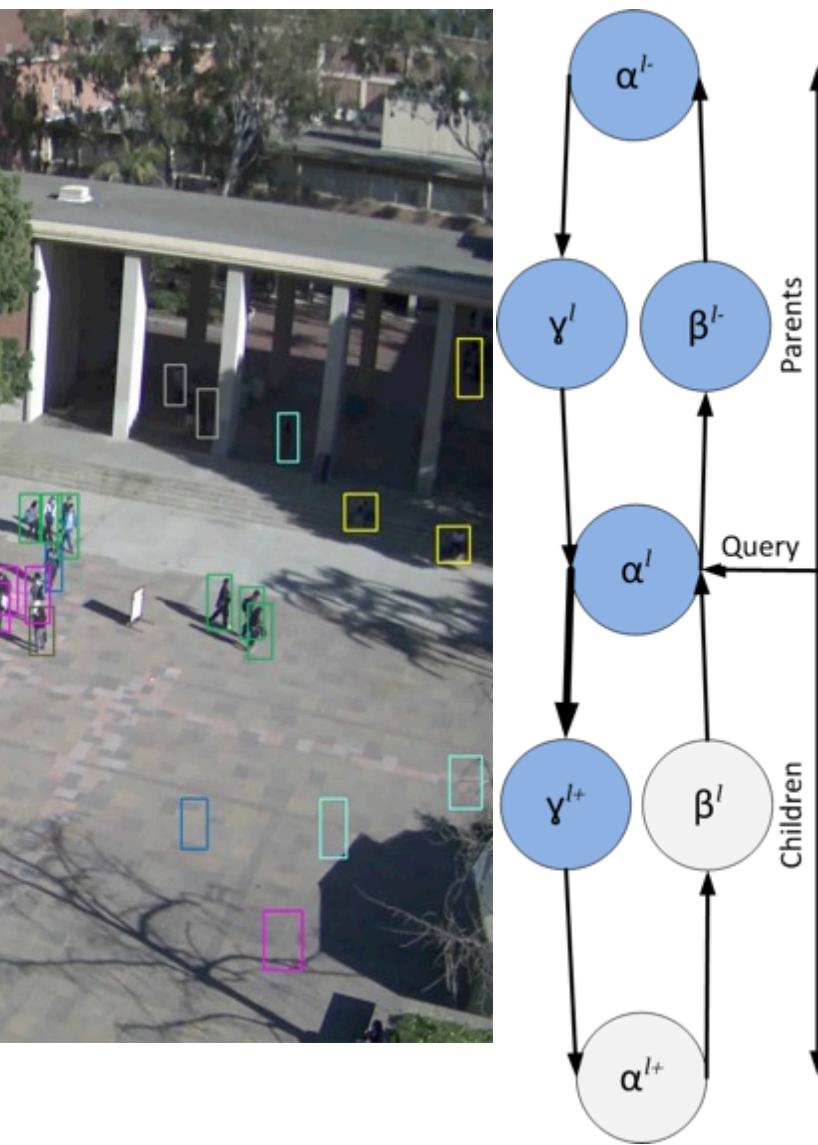
■ Individual Playing



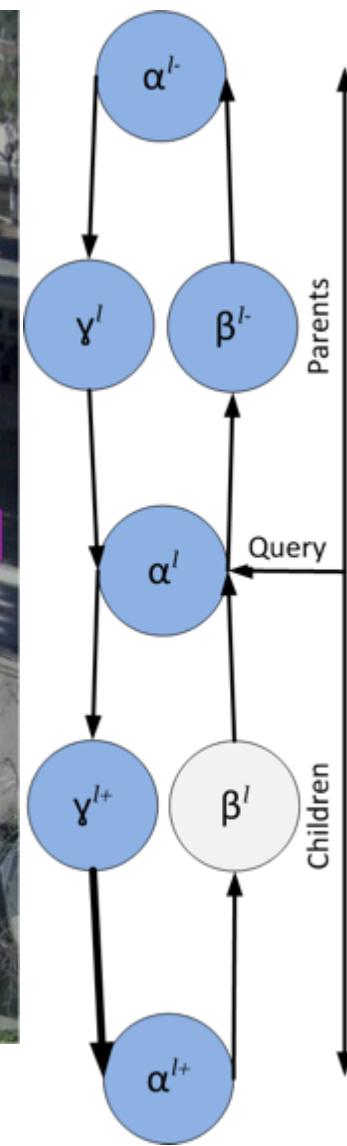
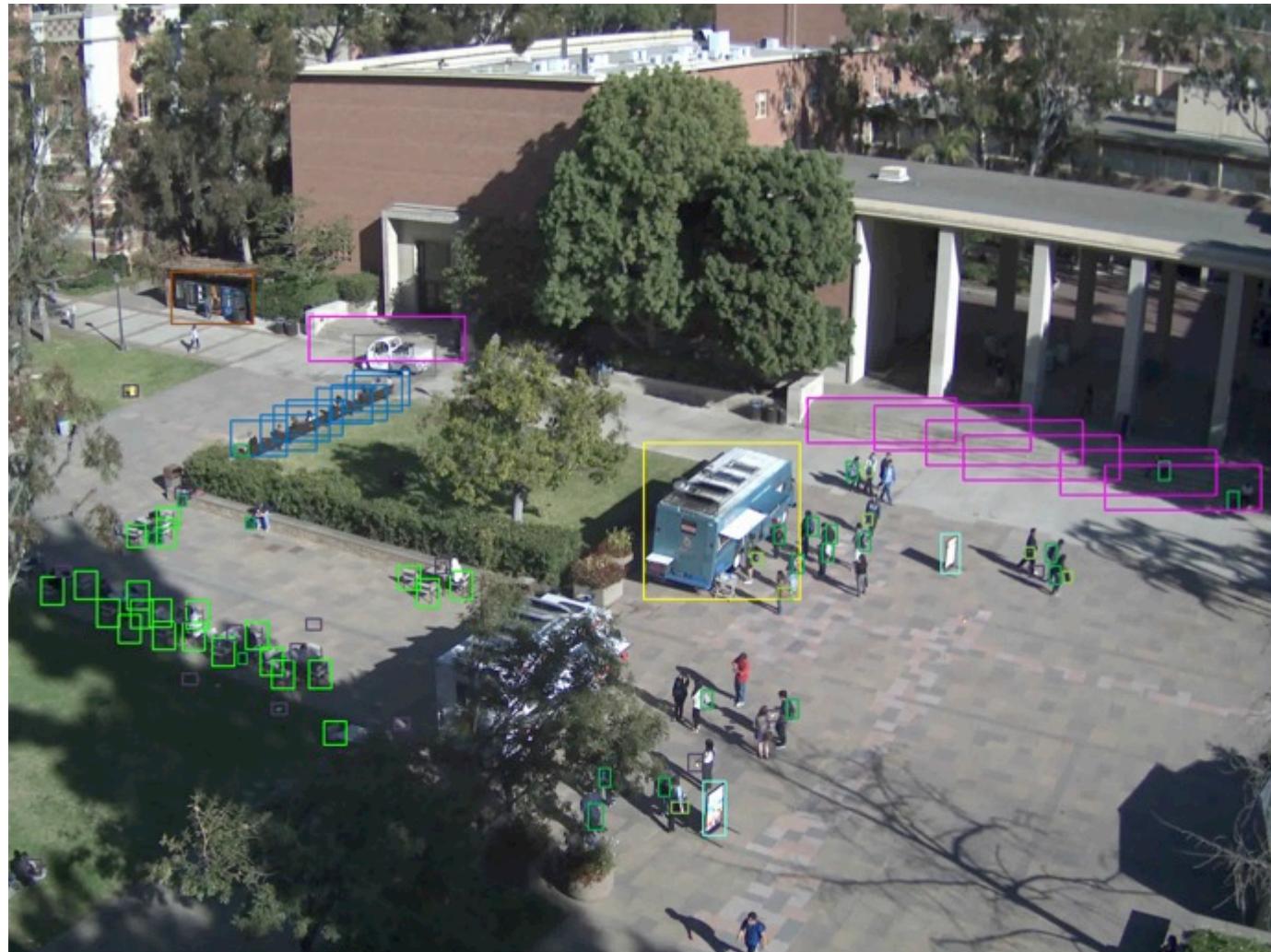
# Inference -- Top Down (Gamma)



Waiting   Walking



# Inference -- Alpha of Objects



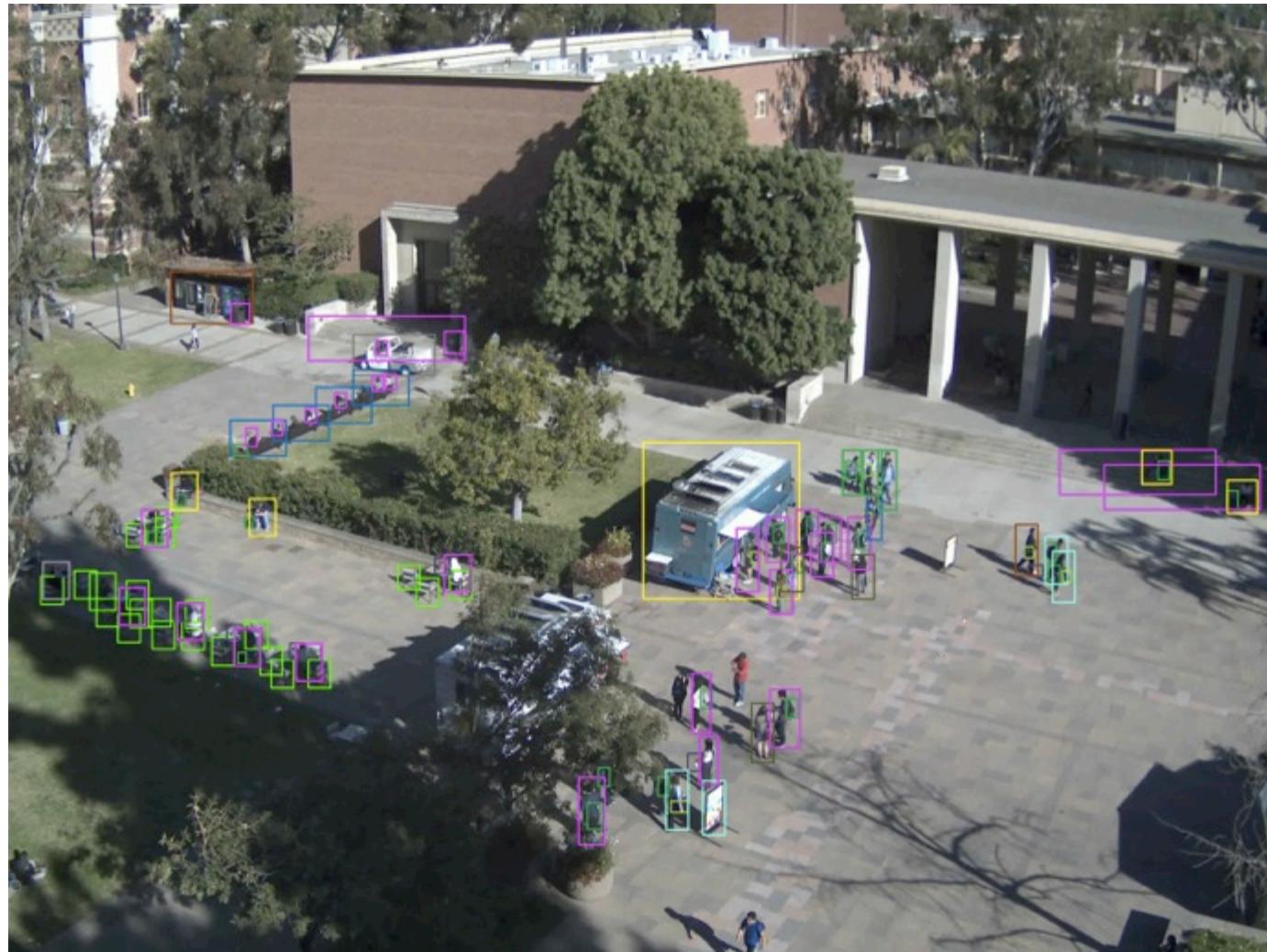
## Stairs

## Chairs

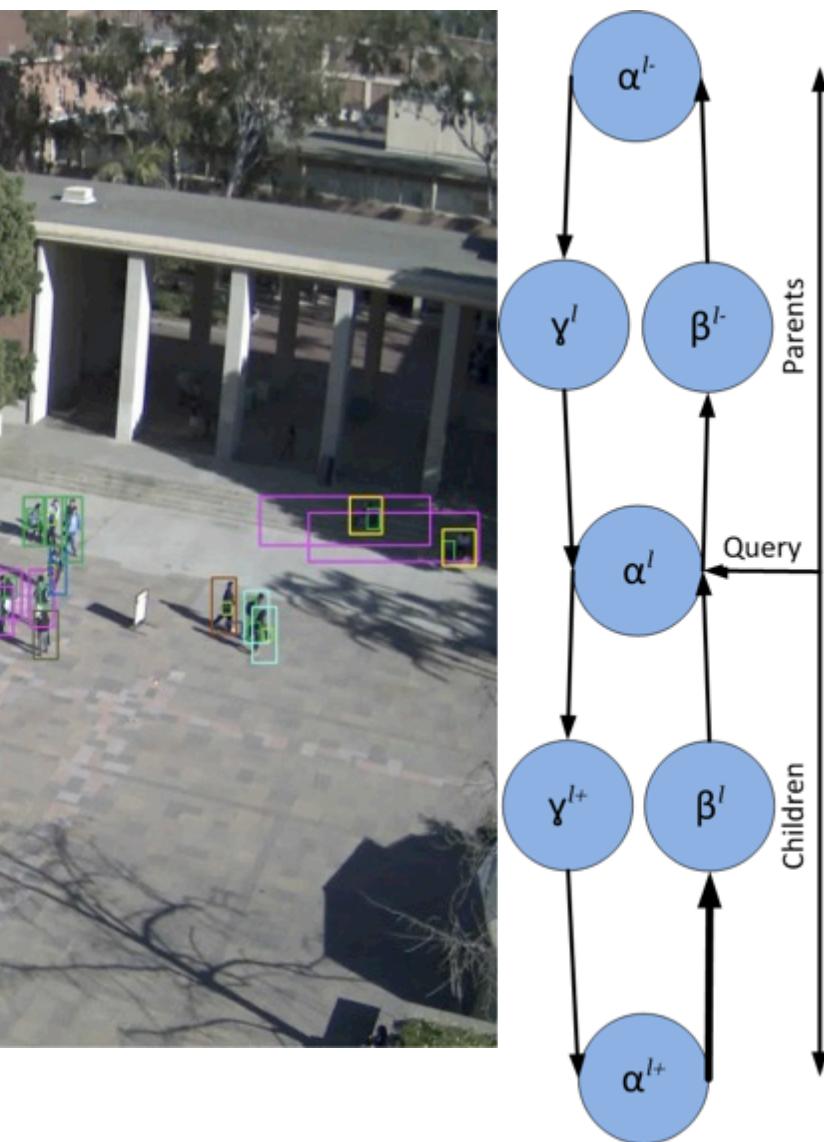
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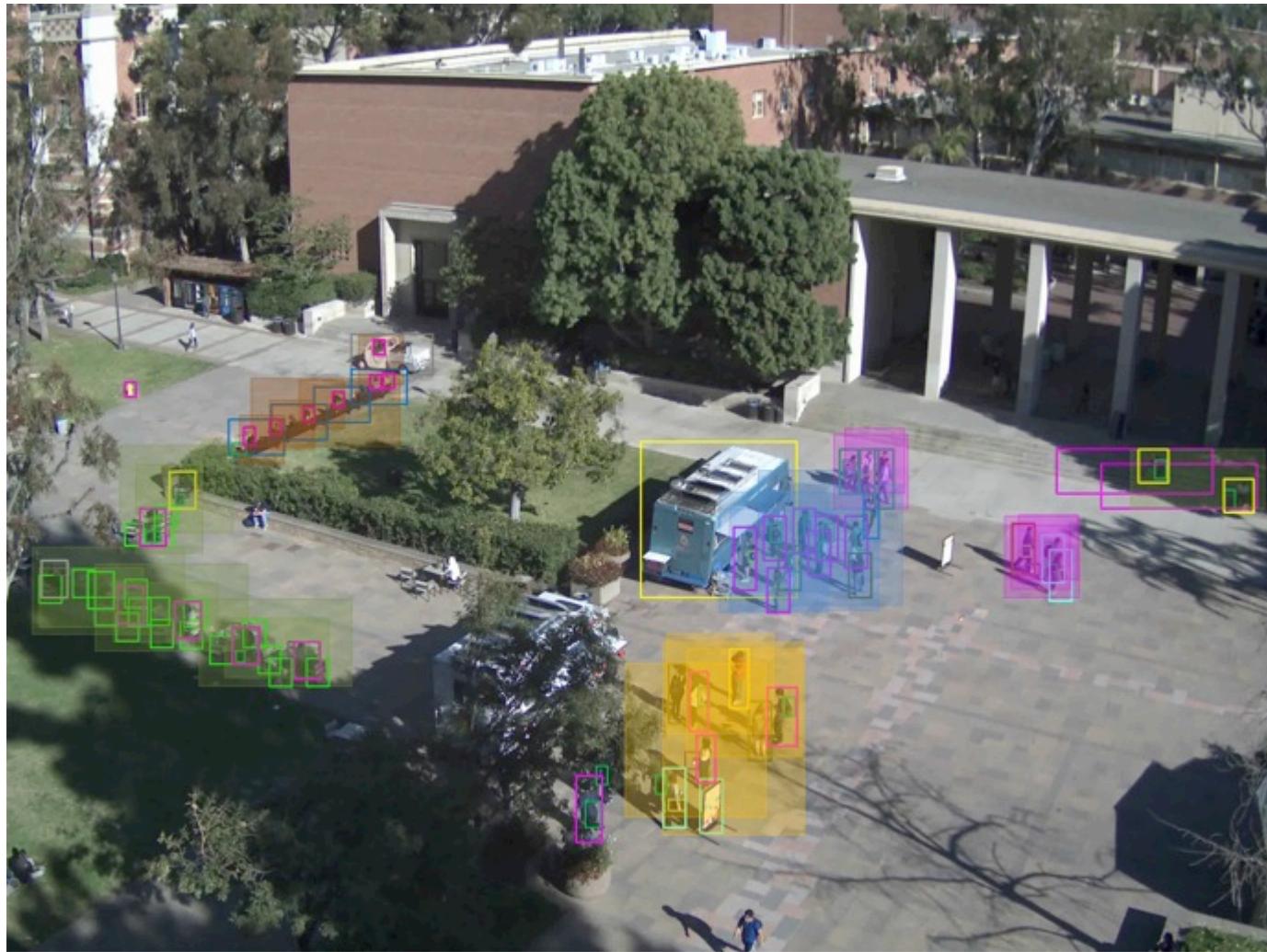
# Inference -- Bottom Up (Beta)



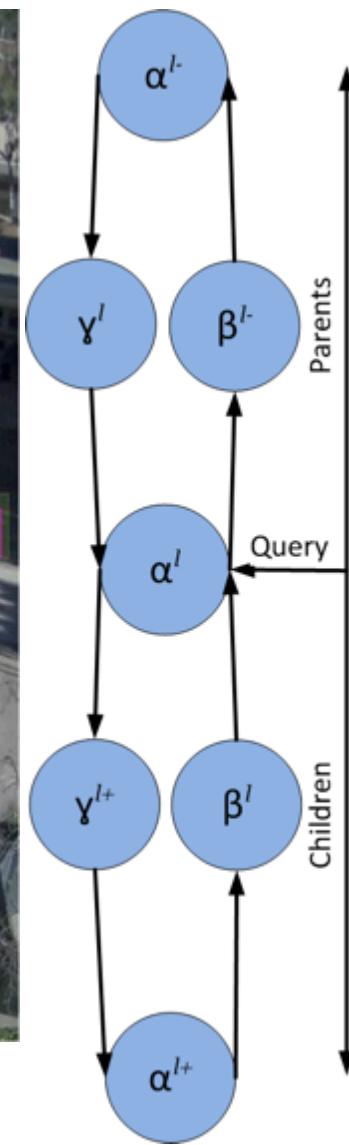
Waiting Walking



# Inference



Waiting   Walking   Walking   Walking   Walking



# Queries about Individual Actions



Only Alpha



Zoom-out



Zoom-in and Zoom-out

# Scheduling

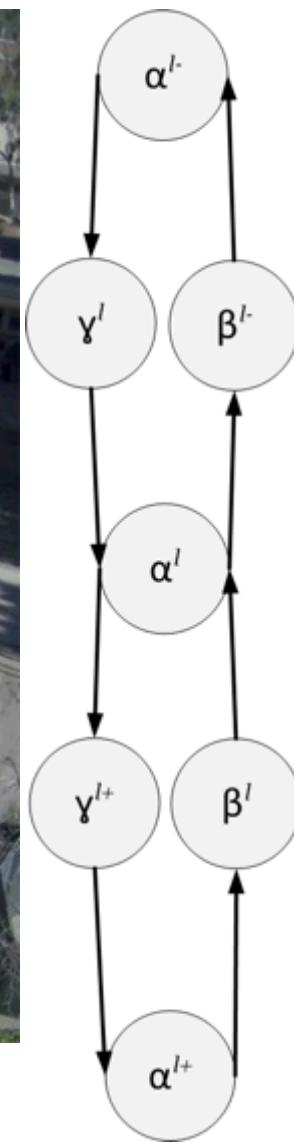
$$\mathbb{V}_{\pi_Q}^{(\tau)}(s) = \mathbb{E}[G(s, a)] + \sum_{s'} \mathbb{T}(s, \pi_Q(s, \tau), s') \cdot \mathbb{V}_{\pi_Q}^{(\tau-1)}(s'), \quad \tau = 1, \dots, \mathbb{B}$$

- States (s) =
  - Query,
  - All previous actions,
  - Their rewards until this point
- Actions (a) =
  - Run detector and terminate (Alpha)
  - Bottom-up (Beta)
  - Top-down (Gamma)

# Policies, Given a Query (Q)

1. Alpha(Q)
2. Alpha(Q), Bottom-up, Alpha(Context), Top-down
3. Alpha(Q), Top-down, Alpha(Details), Bottom-up
4. Alpha(Q), Bottom-up, Alpha(Context), Top-down,  
Alpha(Details), Bottom-up
5. Alpha(Q), Top-down, Alpha(Details), Bottom-up  
Alpha(Context), Top-down

# Group Query



# Group Query Policy #1



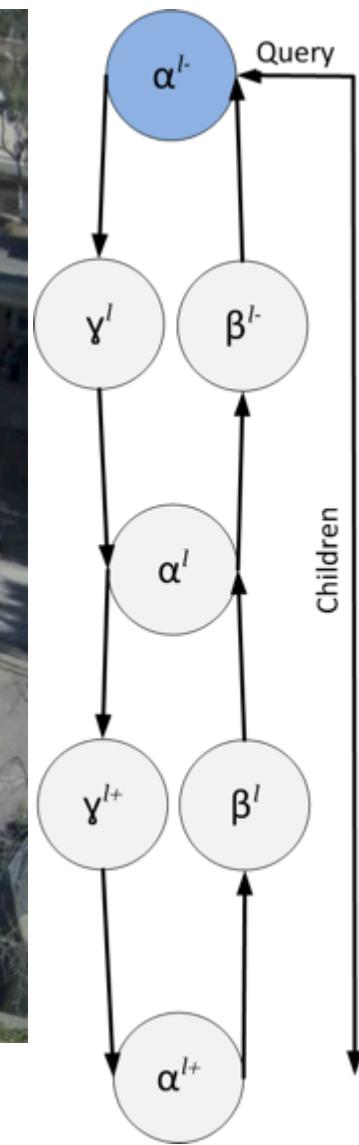
█ Group Walking

█ Group Discuss

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# Group Query Policy #1



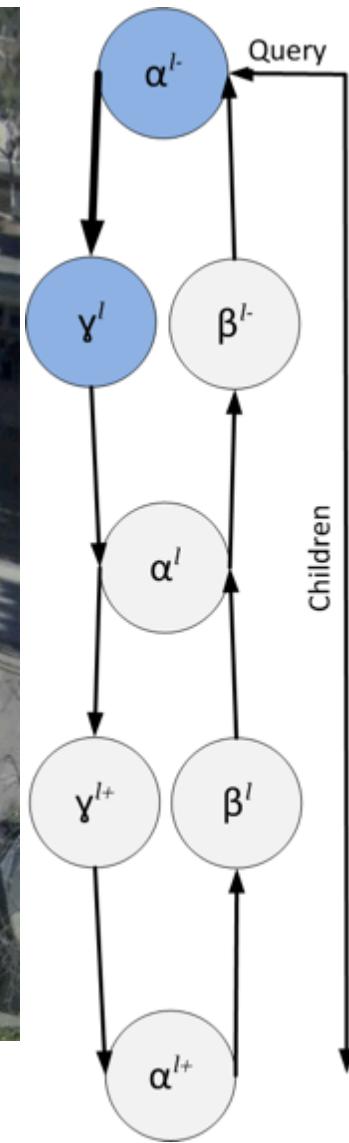
█ Group Walking

█ Group Discuss

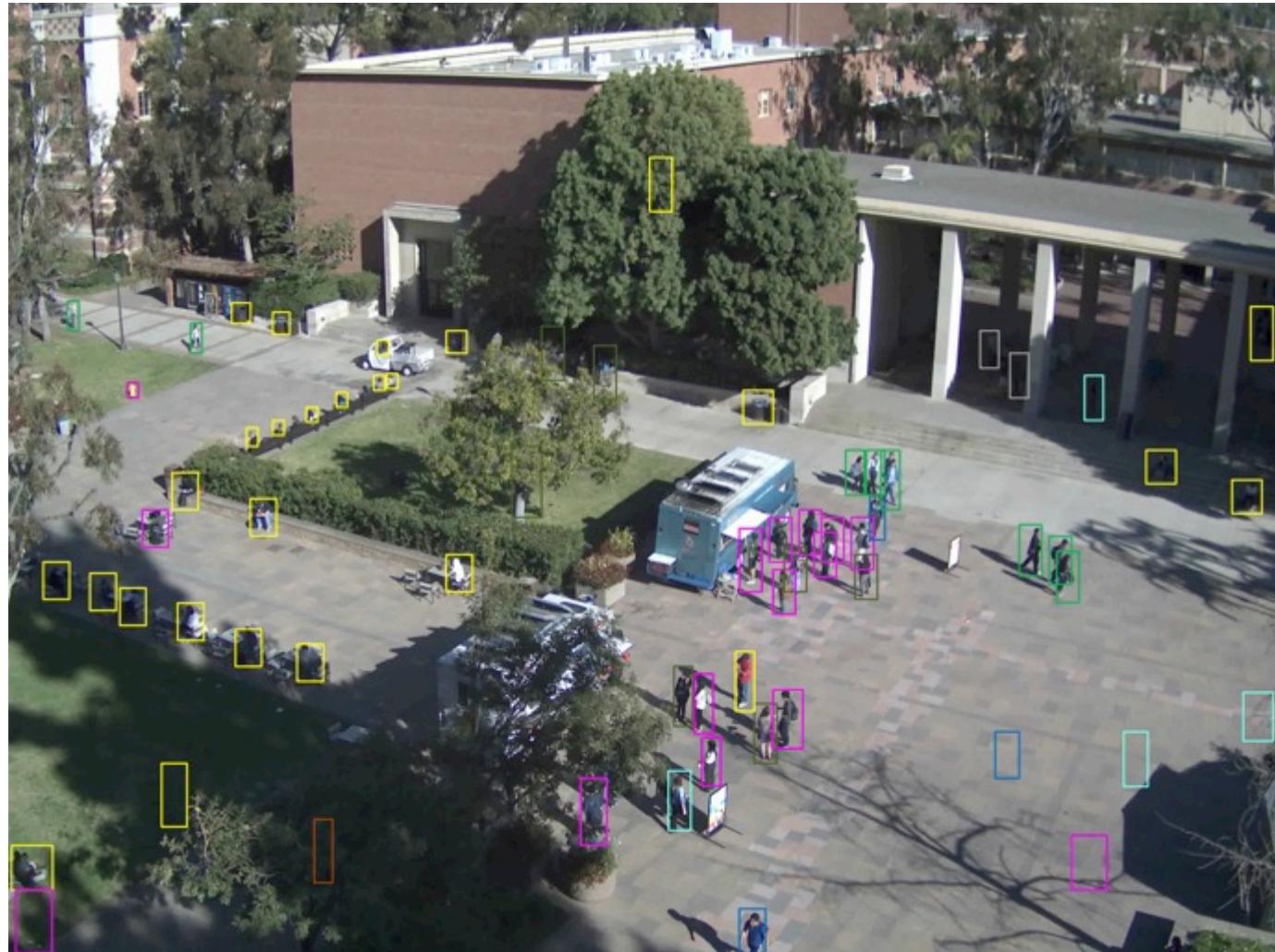
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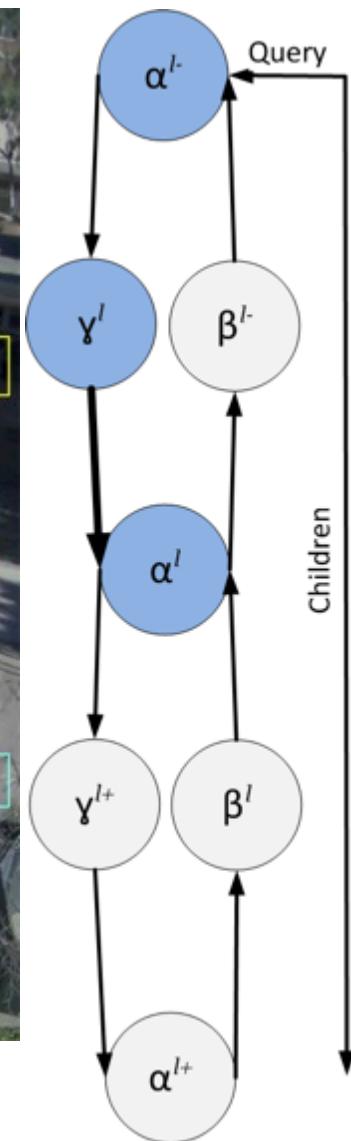
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# Group Query Policy #1



Waiting   Walking   Running   Biking   Standing



# Group Query Policy #1



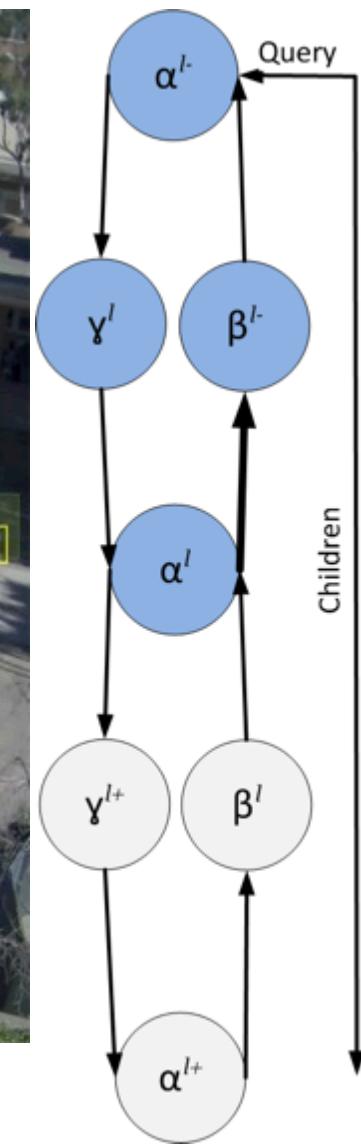
■ Group Walking

■ Group Discuss

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# Group Query Policy #2



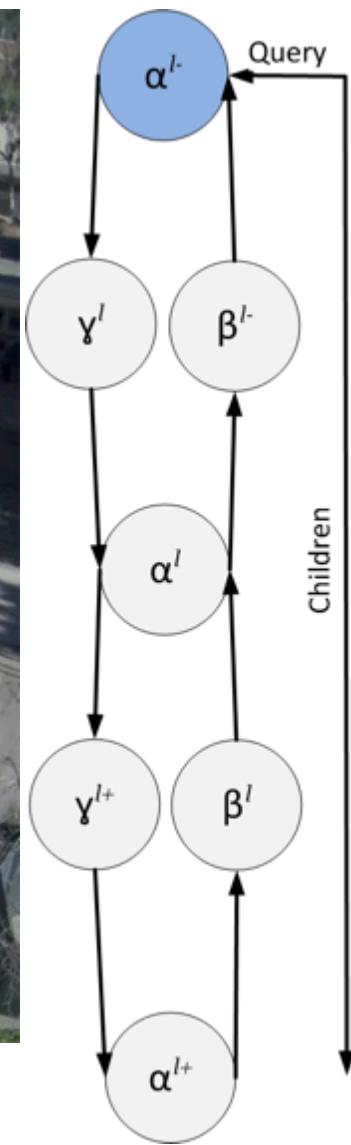
■ Group Walking

■ Group Discuss

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# Group Query Policy #2



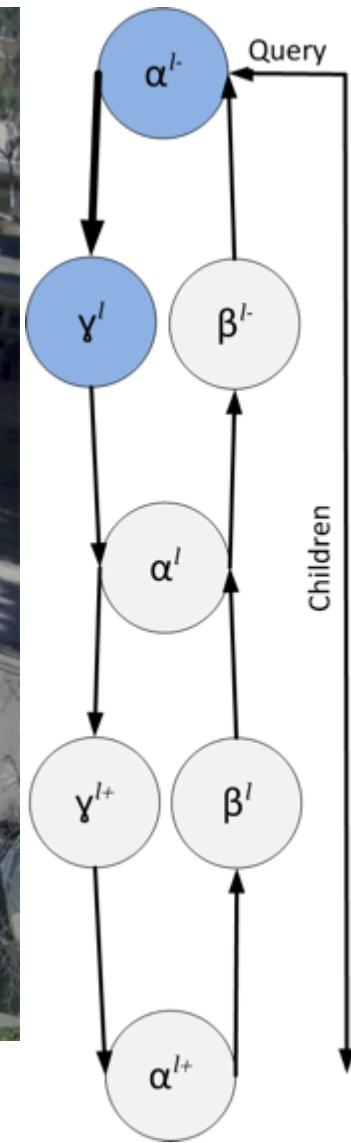
■ Group Walking

■ Group Discuss

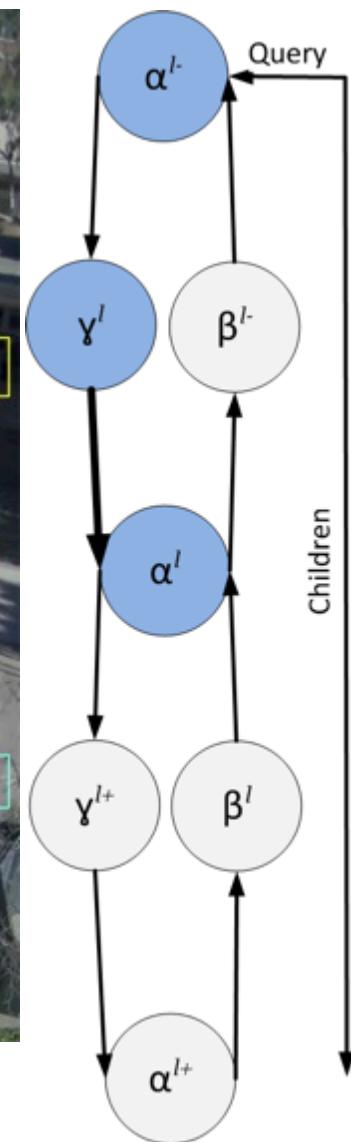
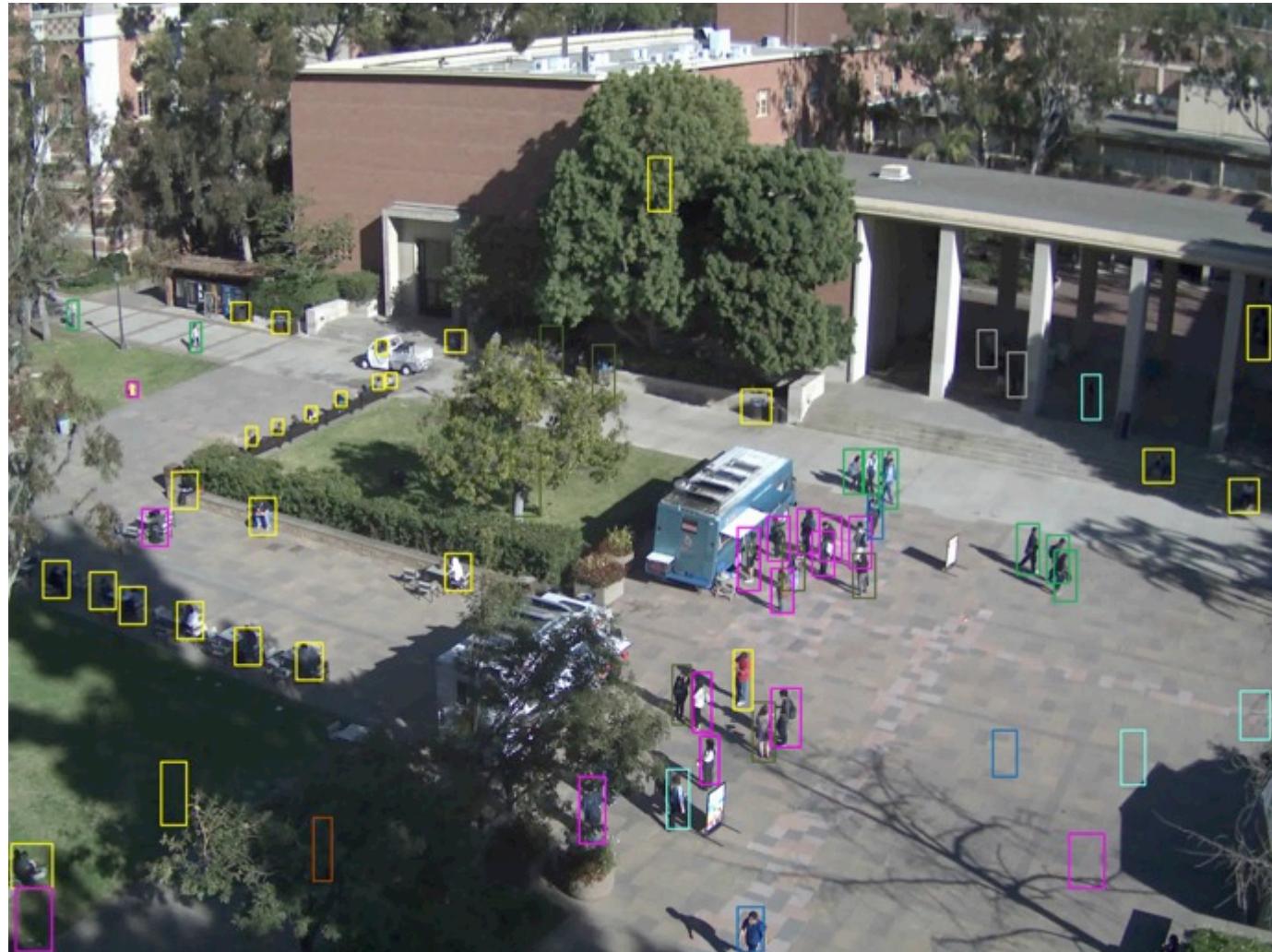
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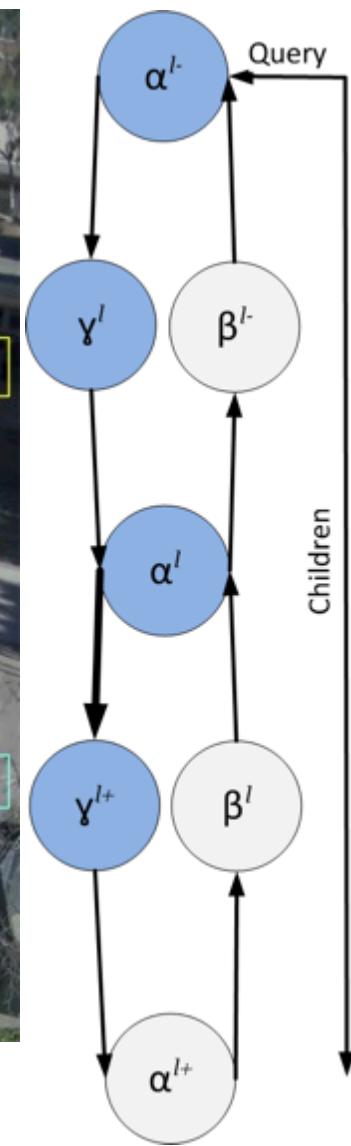
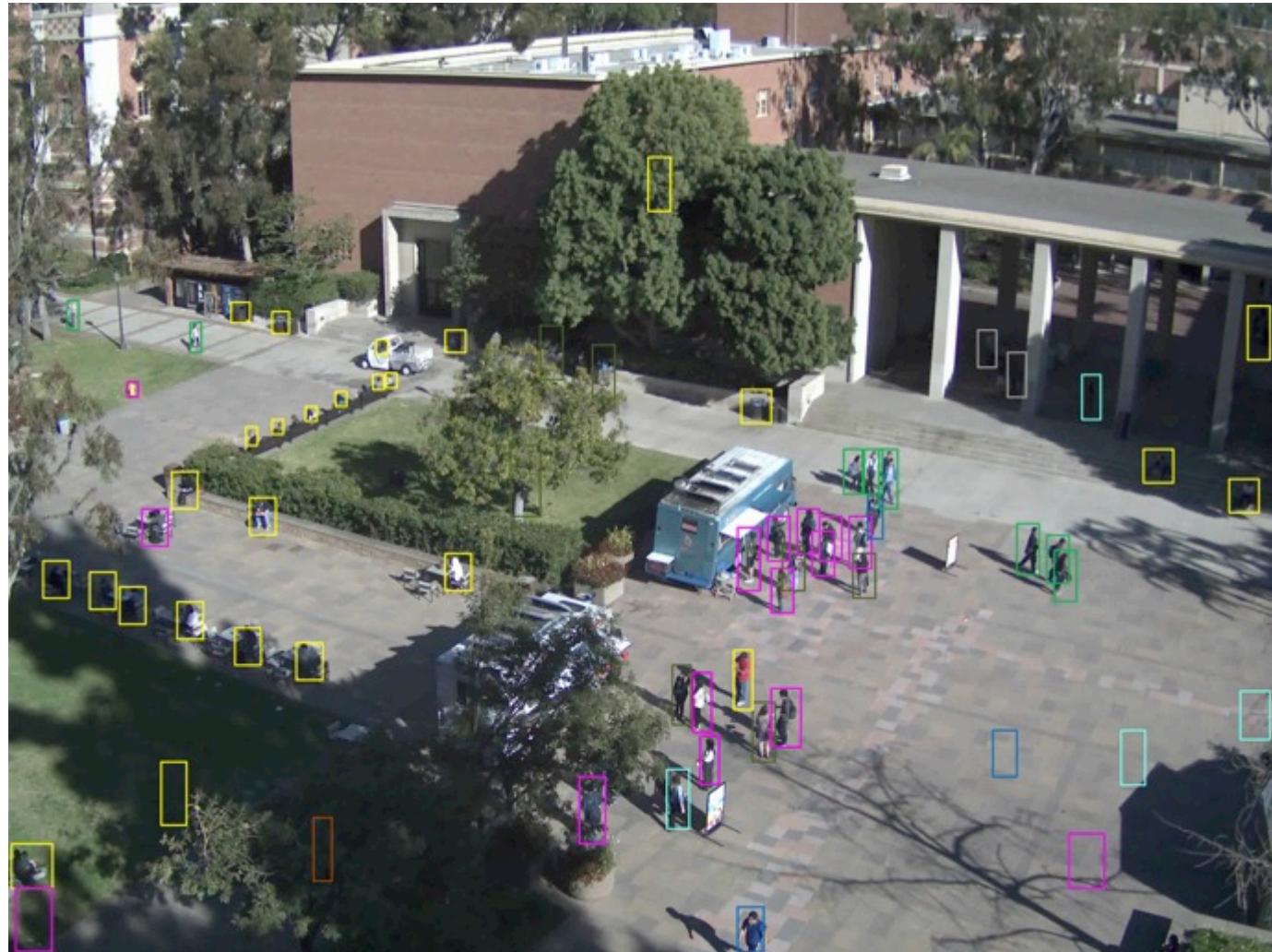
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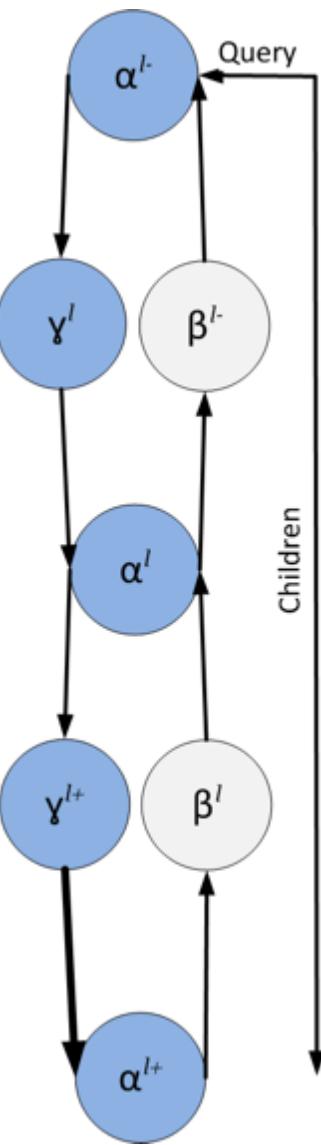
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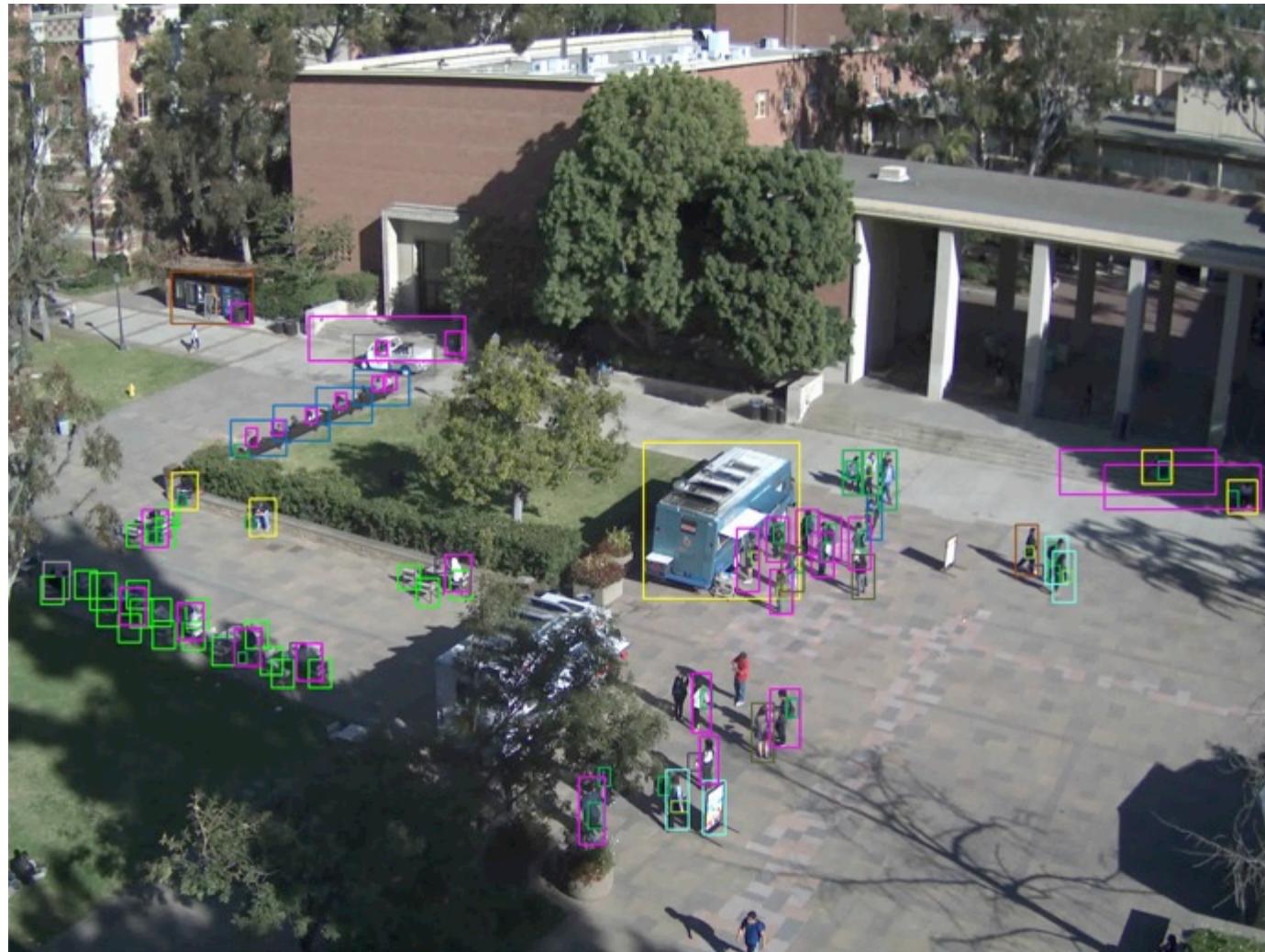
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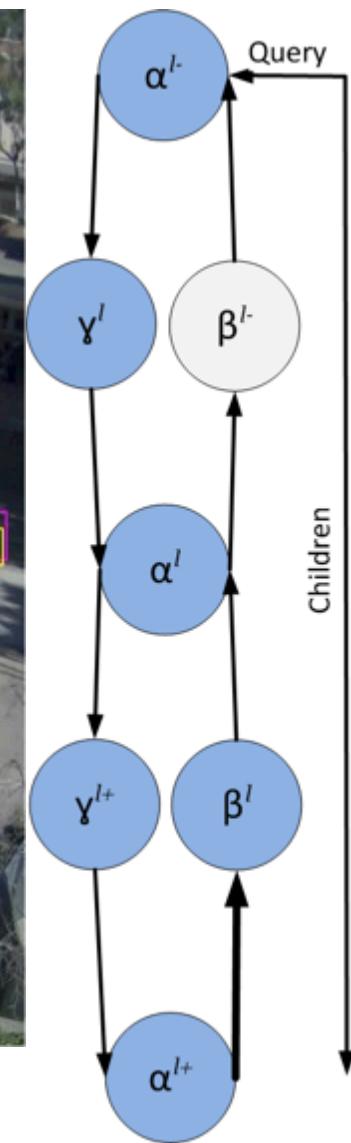
Legend:  
Stairs      Chairs      Food bus      Other



# Group Query Policy #2



■ Waiting ■ Walking ■ Unknown



# Group Query Policy #2



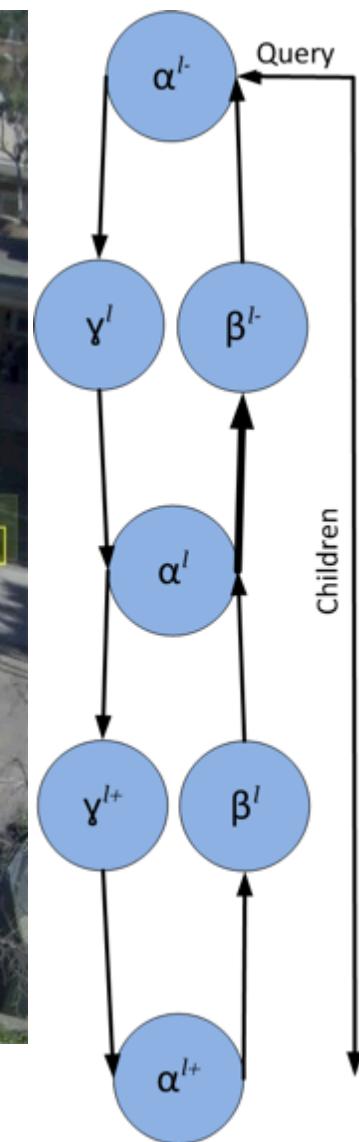
■ Group Walking

■ Group Discuss

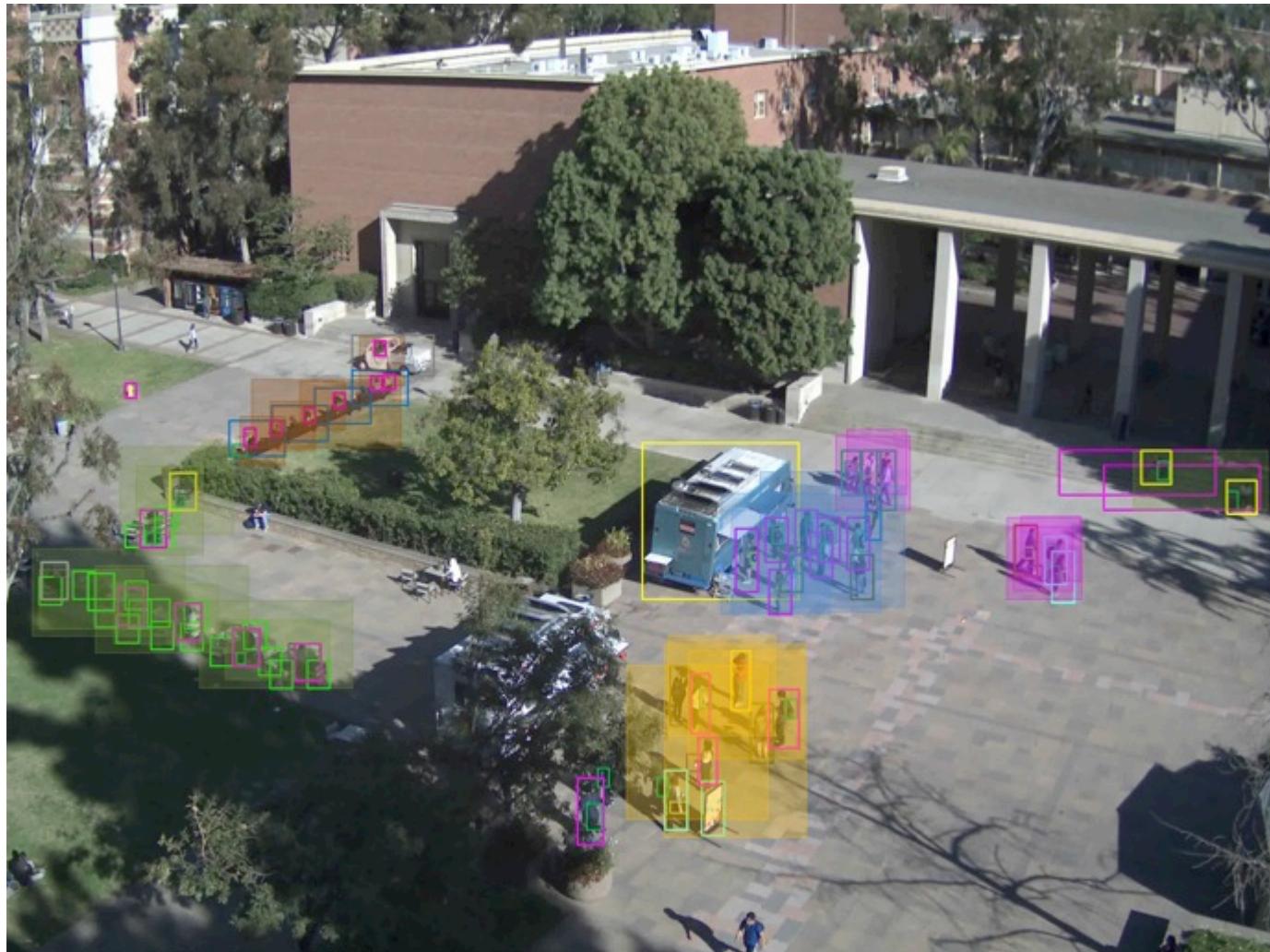
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# Group Query Policy #2



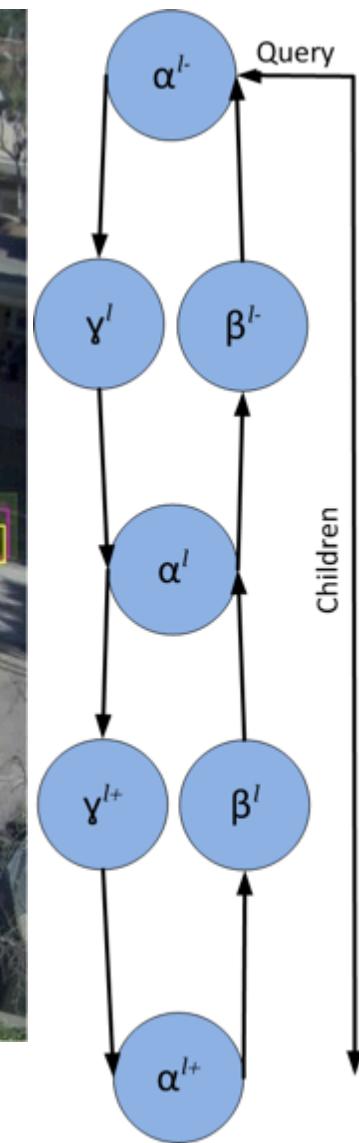
■ Group Walking

■ Group Discuss

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# Group Query



Alpha



Policy #1

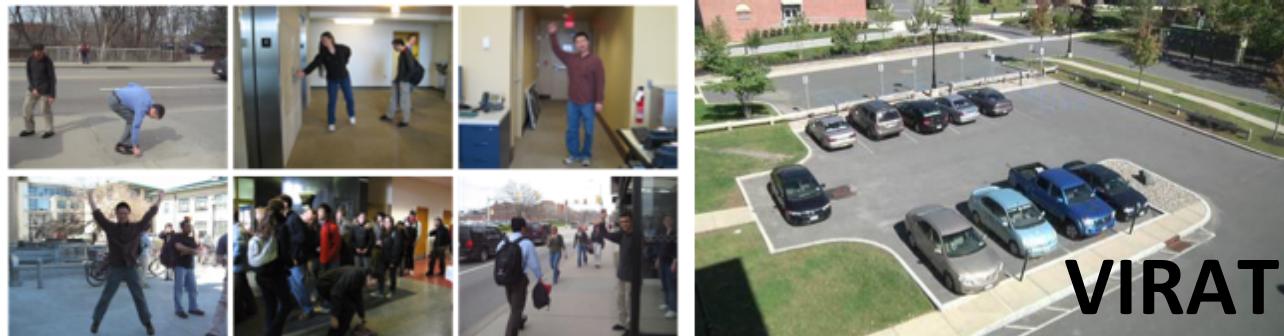


Policy #2

# New Dataset



- Footage: 106min
- Frames: 12 fps
- Res.: 2560x1920 pixels
- Portable acquisition system



**VIRAT**

Benchmark datasets:

- single actor
- single group
- single action

# Domain Knowledge

- 5 Group Activities:
  - Walking together, Queuing, Campus tour, ...
- 10 Individual Actions:
  - Walking, Sitting, Riding a bike, ...
- 16 Objects:
  - Food truck, Vending machine, Bike, Backpack, ...