Semantic Structure From Motion

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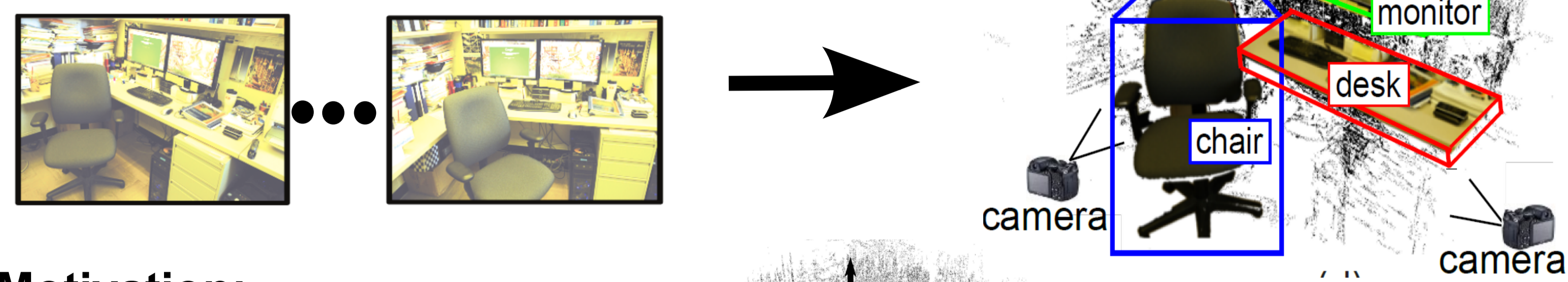Source code and data: http://www.eecs.umich.edu/vision/projects/ssfm/index.html

Introduction

Goal:
Estimate 3D location and pose of objects, 3D location of points, and camera parameters from 2 or more images.

Motivation:
- Most 3D reconstruction methods do not povide semantic information.
- Most recognition methds do not provide geometry and camera pose.
- We propose to solve these two problem jointly.

Advantages:
- Improve camera pose estimation, compared to feature-point-based SFM.
- Improve object detections given multiple images, compared to independently detecting objects from each single images.
- Establish object correspondences across views.
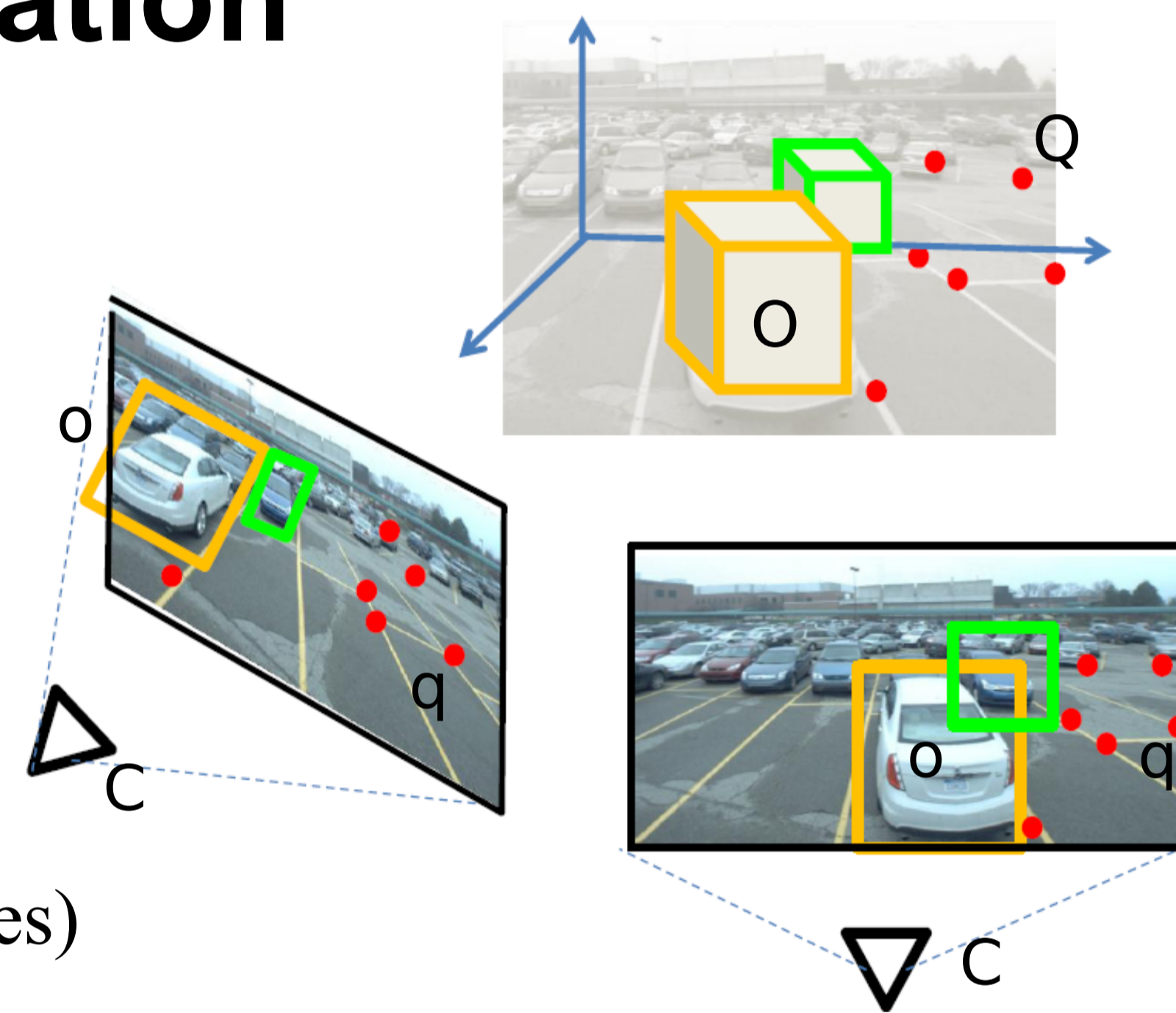
SSFM Problem Formulation

Measurements
- **q**: point features (e.g. DOG+SIFT)
- **u**: point matches (e.g. threshold test)
- **o**: 2D objects (e.g. [2])

Model Parameters (unknowns)
- **C**: camera (K is known)
- **Q**: 3D points (locations)
- **O**: 3D objects (locations, poses, categories)

Intuition:
In addition to point features, measurements of objects across views provide additional geometrical constraints that allow to relate cameras and scene parameters.
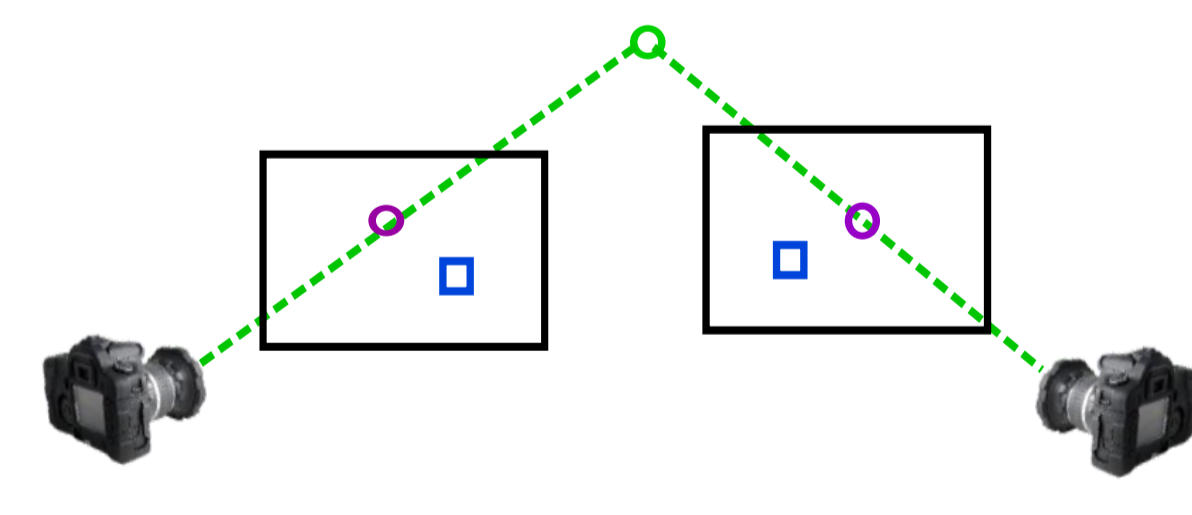
Model Overview

$$\{O,Q,C\} = \arg\max P(q,u,o \mid C,O,Q)$$
$$= \arg\max P(q,u \mid C,Q) P(o \mid C,O)$$

Assumption:
Given camera hypothesis, objects and points are independent
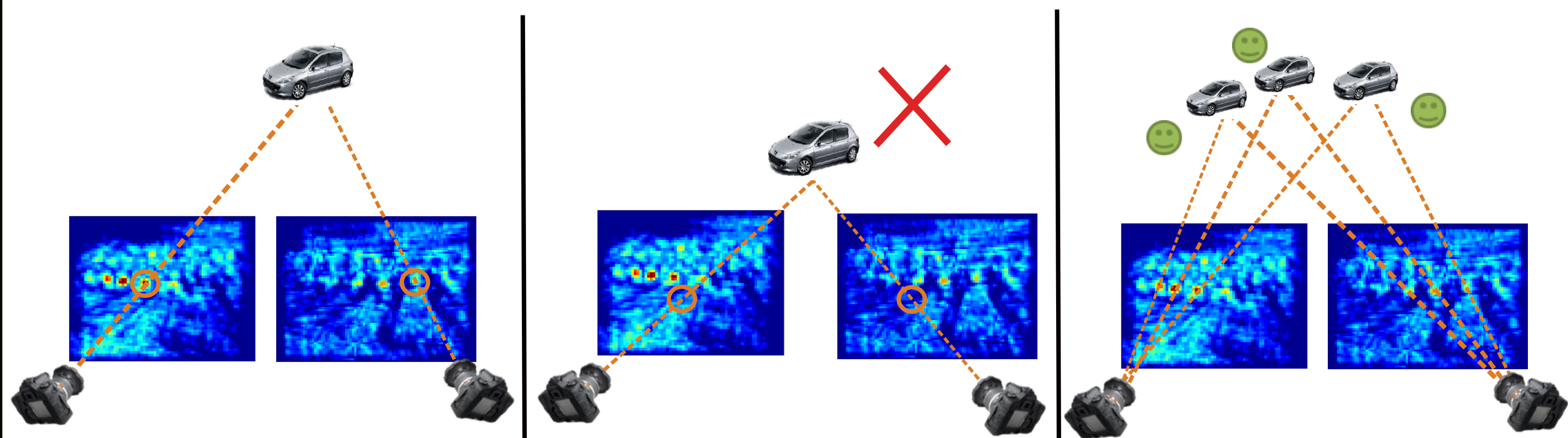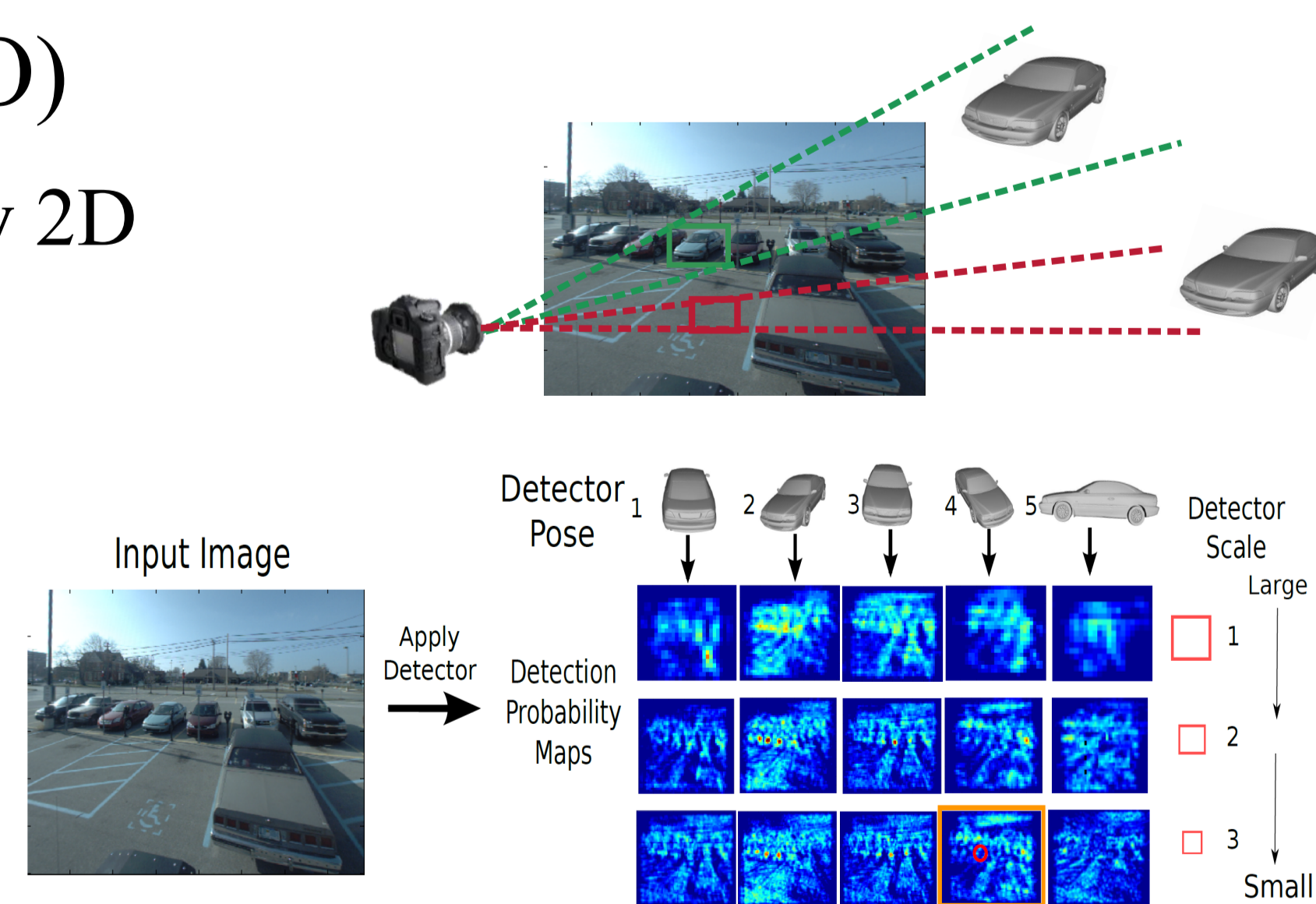
Point Likelihood $P(q,u \mid C,Q)$

$$P(\mathbf{q},\mathbf{u} \mid \mathbf{Q},\mathbf{C}) \propto \prod_{i}^{N_Q} \prod_{k}^{N_k} \exp(-(q_i^k - q_{u_i^k}^k)^2 / \sigma_q)$$

Object Likelihood $P(o \mid C,O)$

- Estimate 3D object likelihood by 2D projection appearance:

$$P(\mathbf{o} \mid \mathbf{O},\mathbf{C}) \propto \prod_{t}^{N_t} P(o \mid O_t, \mathbf{C})$$

$$\propto \prod_{t}^{N_t} (1 - \prod_{k}^{N_k}(1 - P(o \mid O_t, C^k)))$$

Joint Likelihood Maximization

Main challenge:
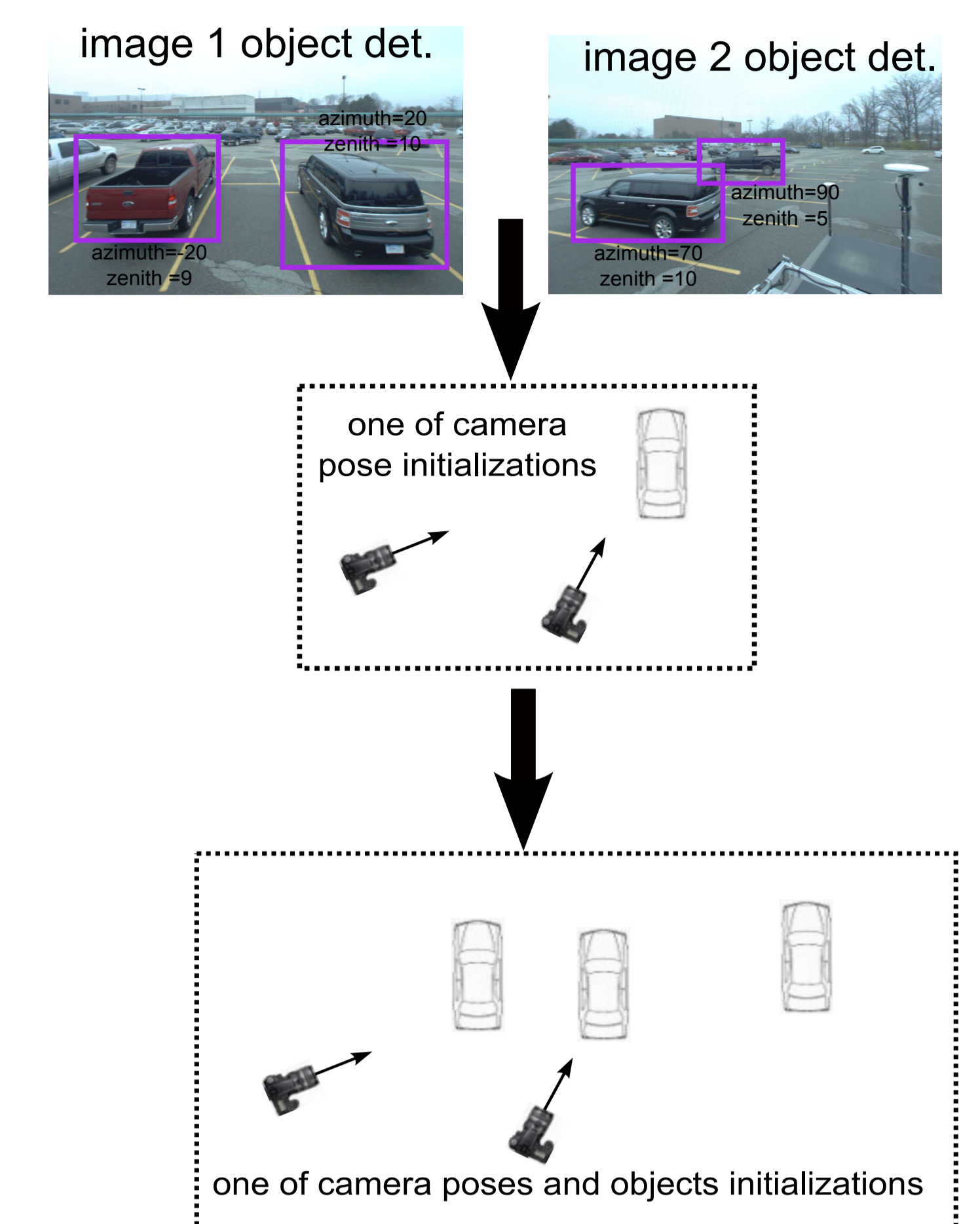High dimensionality of unknowns => Sample P(q,u,o|C,O,Q) with MCMC

Parameter Initialization
- Use object detection scale and pose to initialize cameras relative poses
- Theorem: camera parameters can be estimated given:
  i) 3 objects with scale; ii) 2 objects with pose; iii) 1 object with scale and pose.
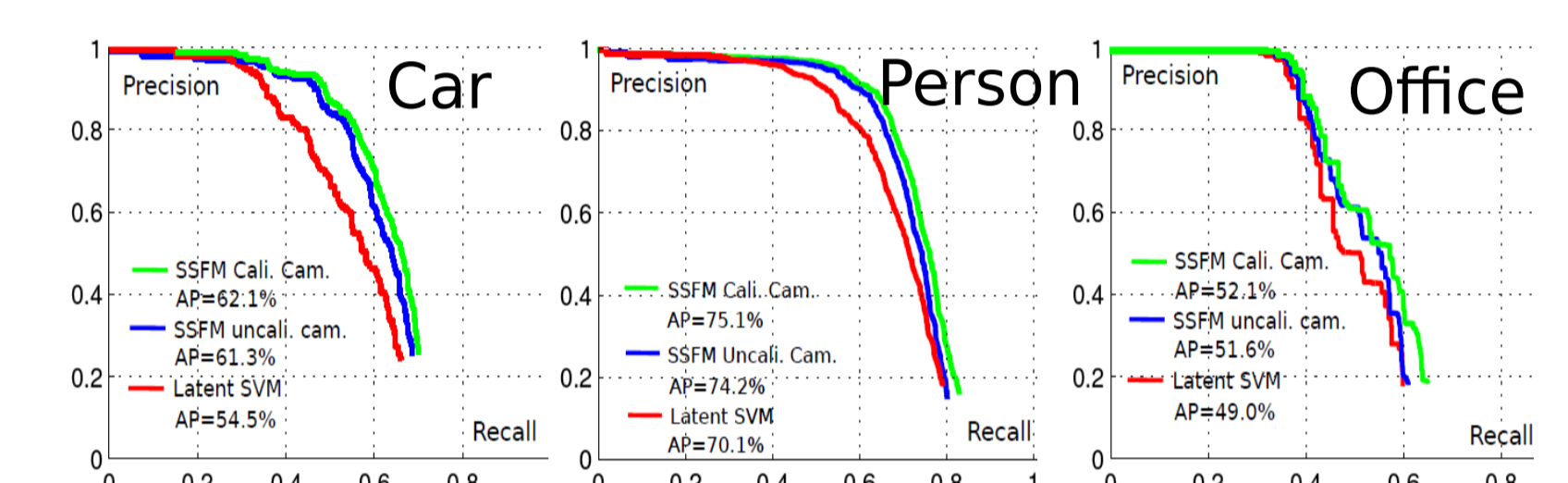
Monte Carlo Markov Chain
- Sampling starts from different initializations
- Proposal distribution P(q,u,o|C,O,Q)
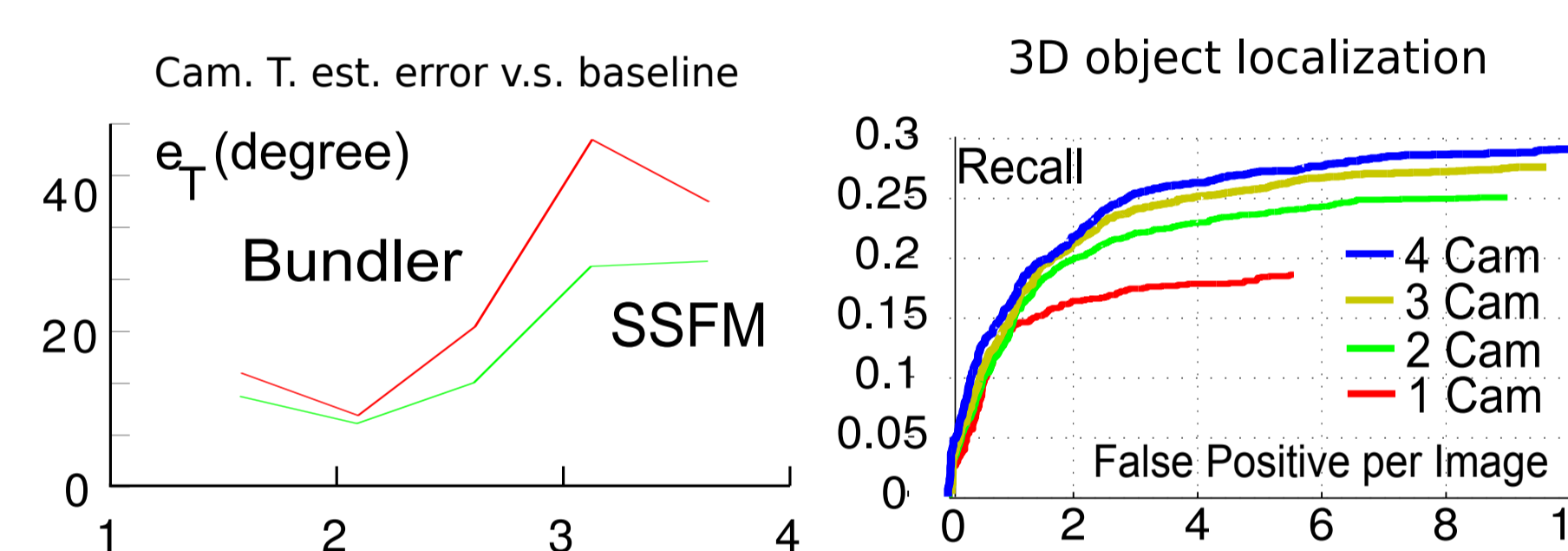- Combine all samples to identify the maximum

Results

Comparison Baselines
- Camera Pose Est.: Bundler [1]
- Object Detection: LSVM [2]

1. Car Dataset [3] (available online)
- Images and Dense Lidar Points
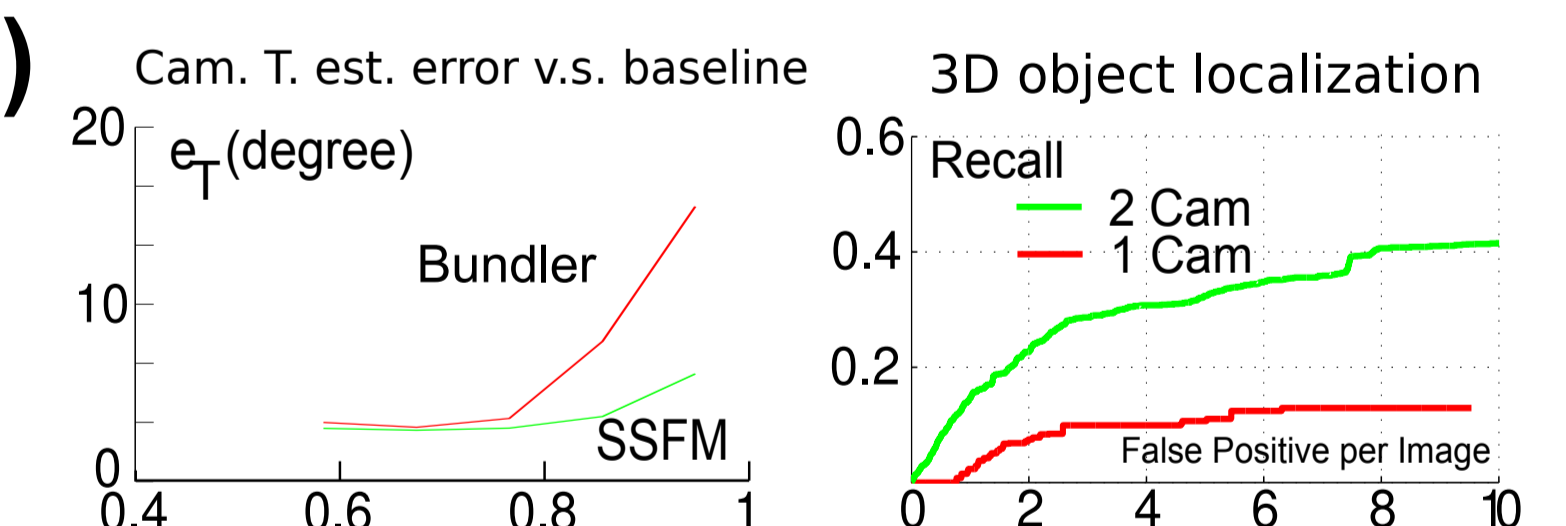- ~500 testing images in 10 scenarios

Dataset	$\bar{e}_T$ Bundler/SSFM	$\bar{e}_R$ Bundler/SSFM
Ford Campus Car	26.5/**19.9°**	**0.47°/0.78°**
Street Pedestrian	27.1/**17.6°**	21.1°/**3.1°**
Office Desktop	8.5°/**4.7°**	9.6°/**4.2°**

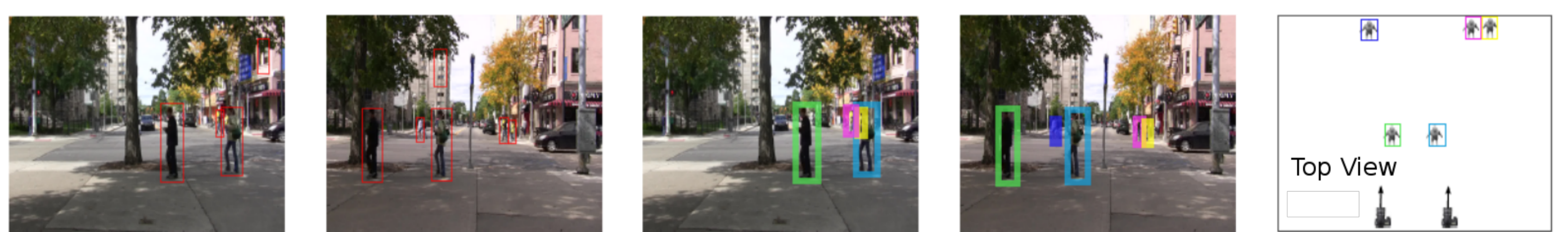| Camera #	2	3	4
Det. AP (Cali. Cam.)	62.1%	63.6%	64.2%
Det. AP (Uncali. Cam.)	61.3%	61.7%	62.6%
$\bar{e}_T$	19.9°	16.2°	13.9°

2. Kinect Office Dataset (available online)
- Images and calibrated Kinect 3D range data
- Mouse, Monitor, and Keyboard
- 500 images in 10 scenarios

3. Person Dataset
- A pair of stereo cameras
- 400 image pairs in 10 scenarios

Reference

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