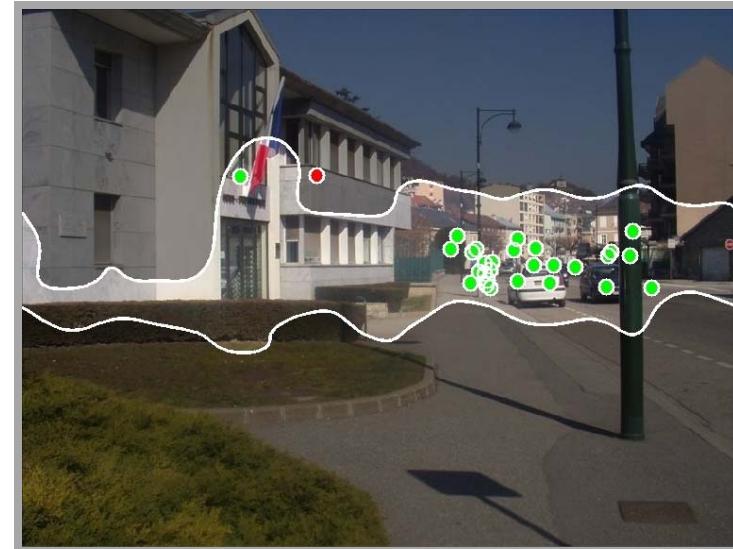
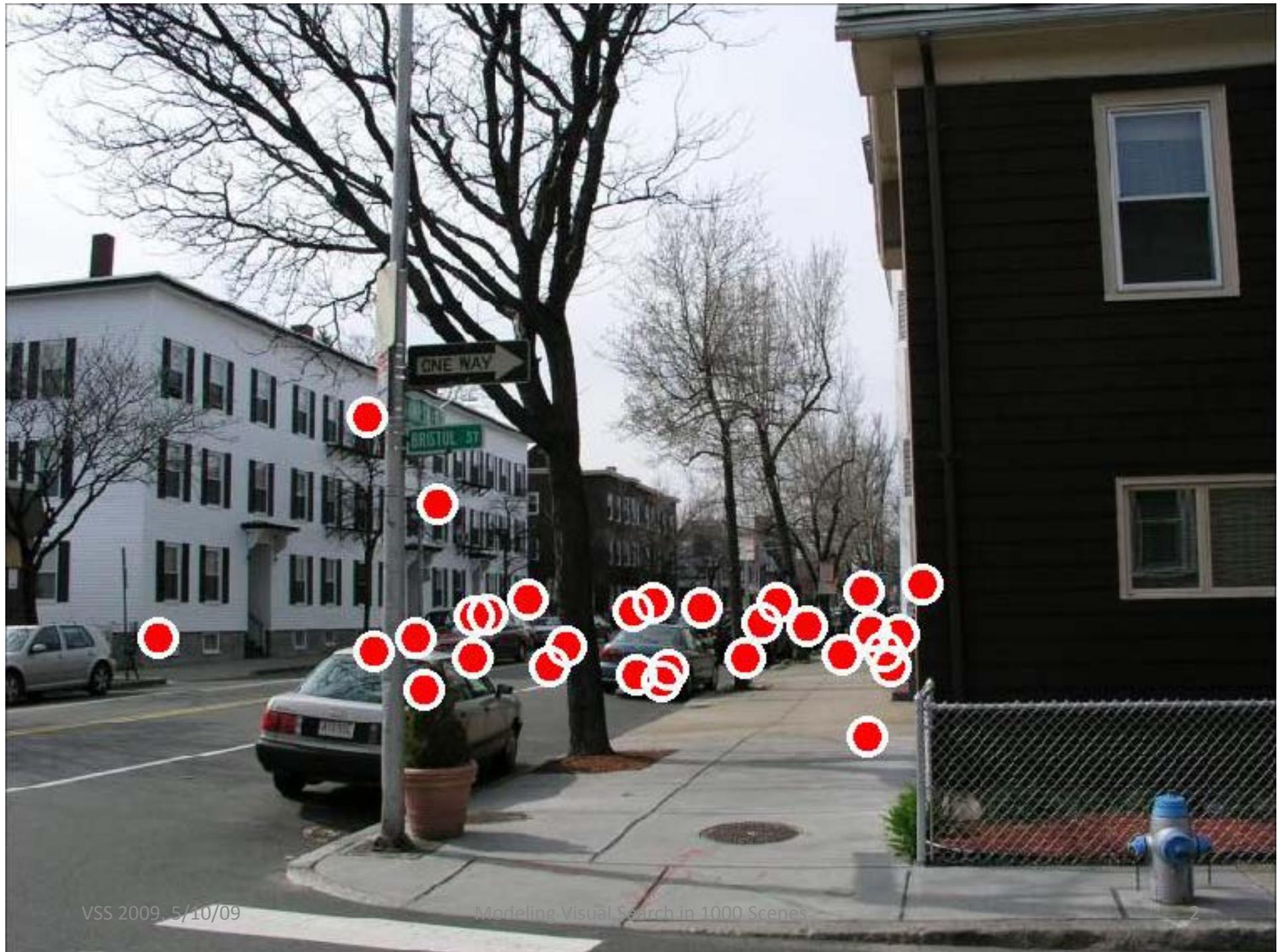


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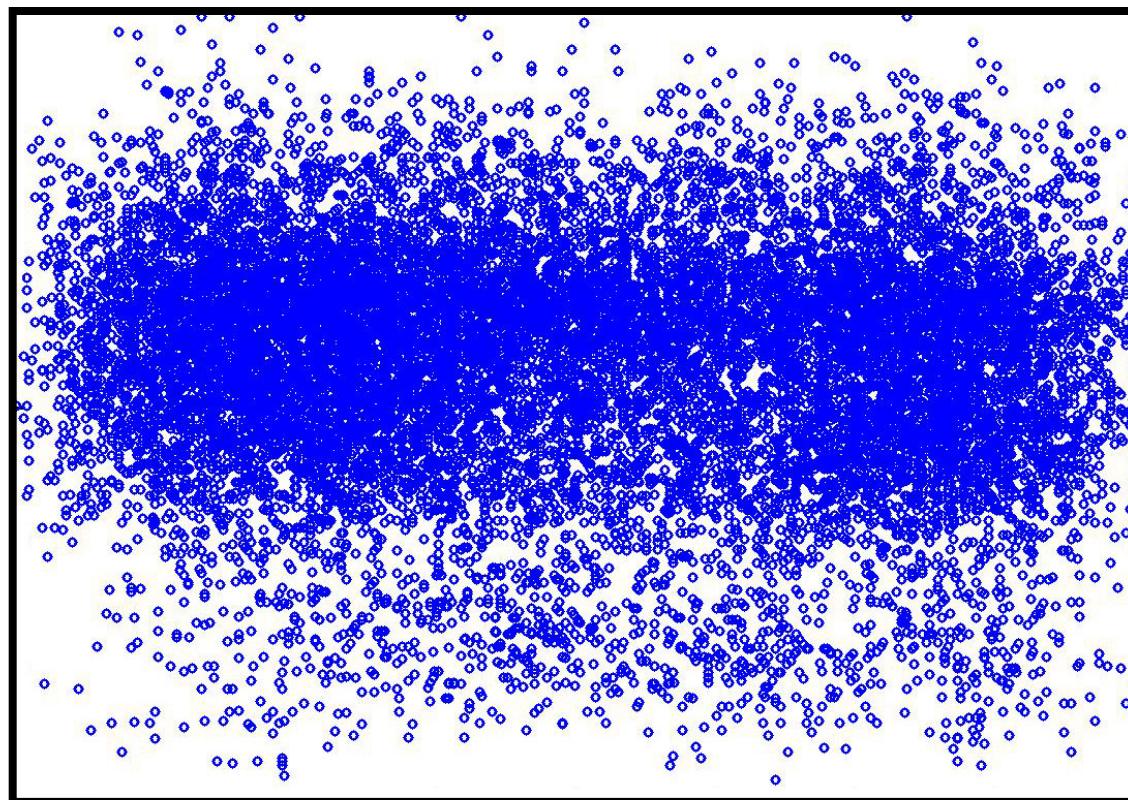
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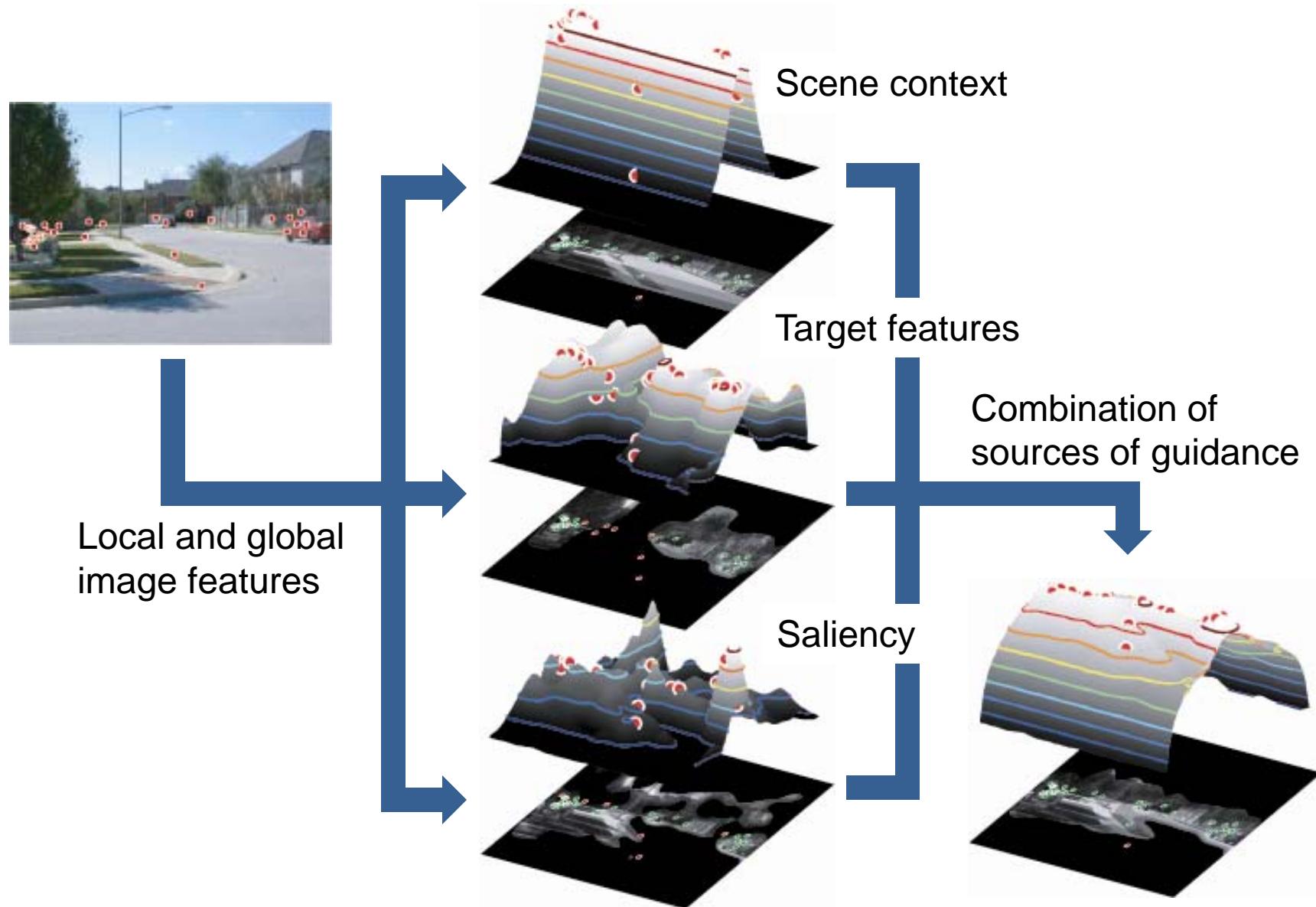
- 14 participants, 912 images = 45,144 fixations
- Person present/absent?



Fixations 1-3 on target-absent scenes

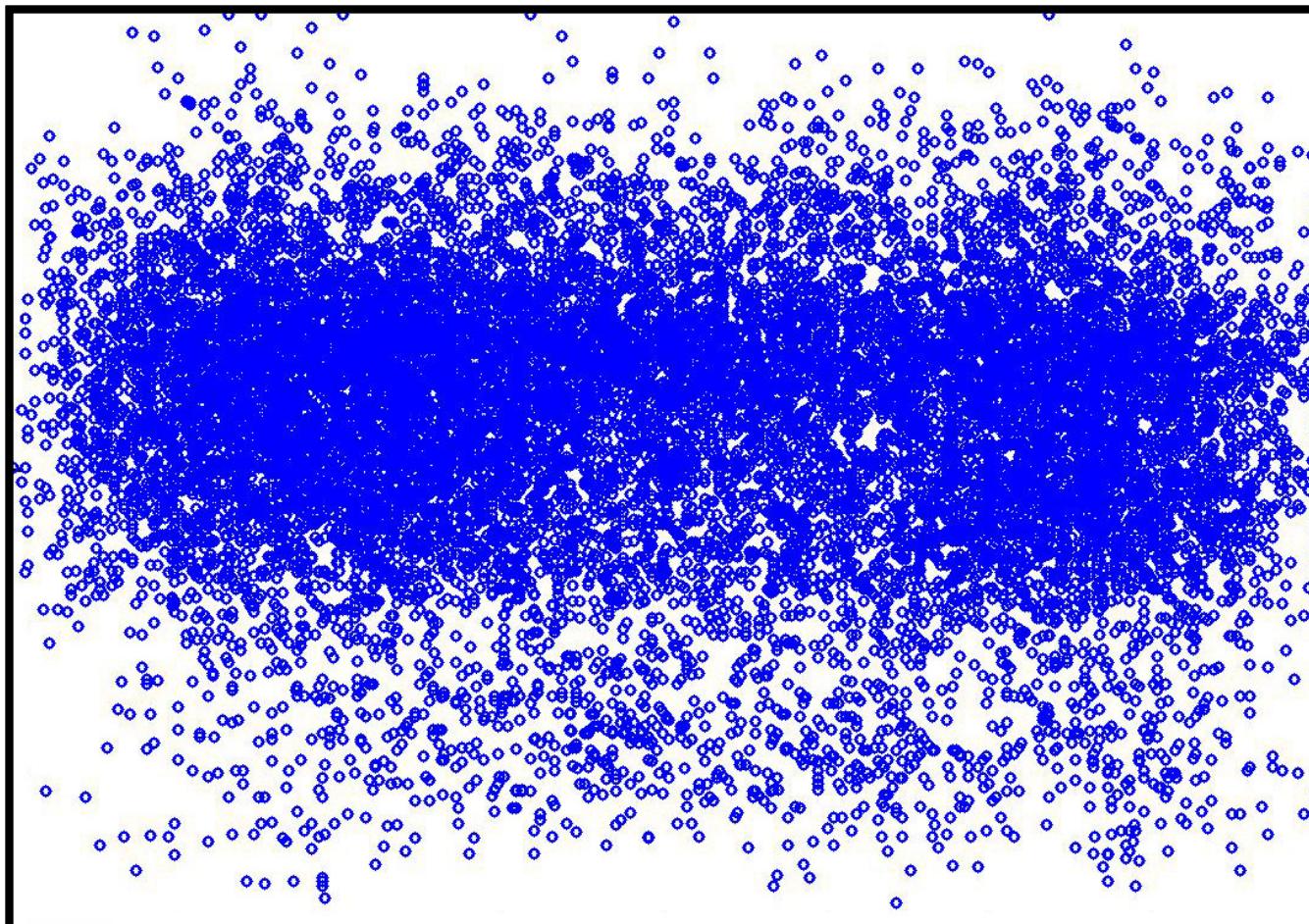
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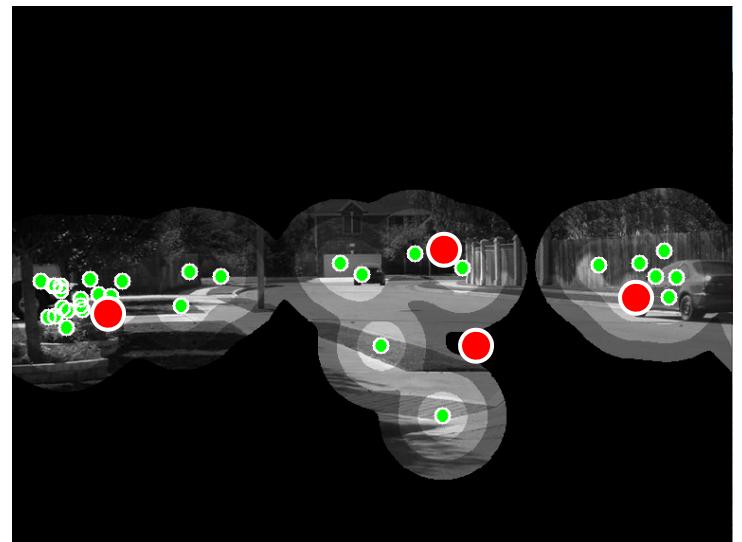
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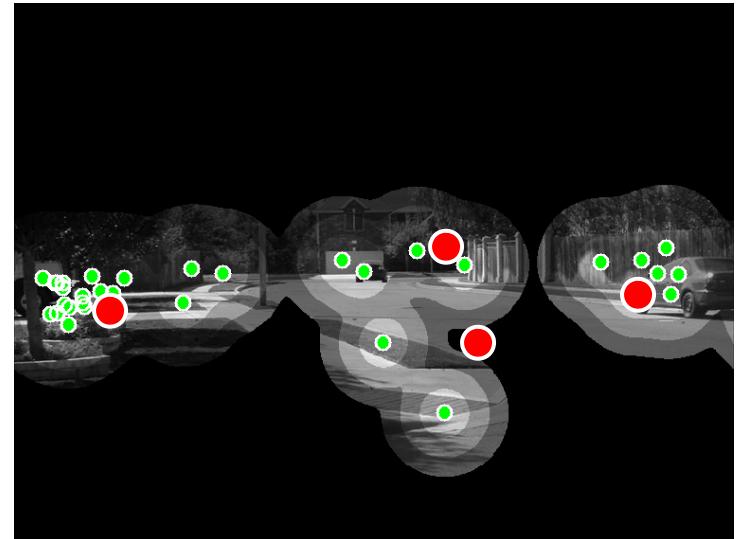
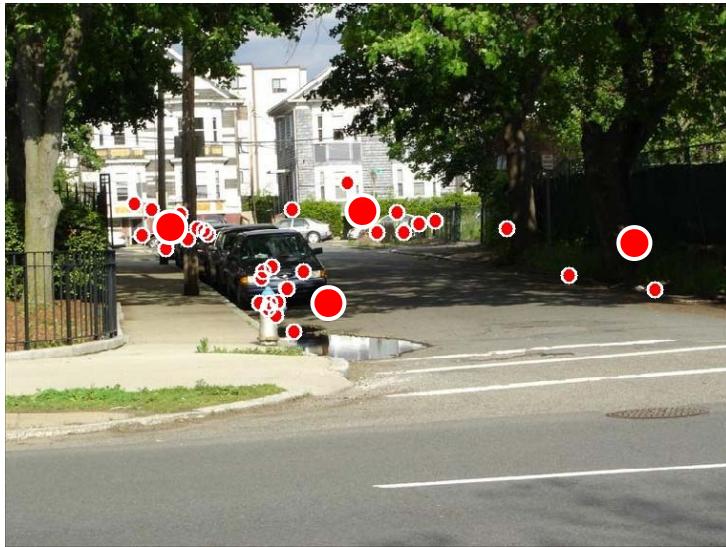
Human Agreement

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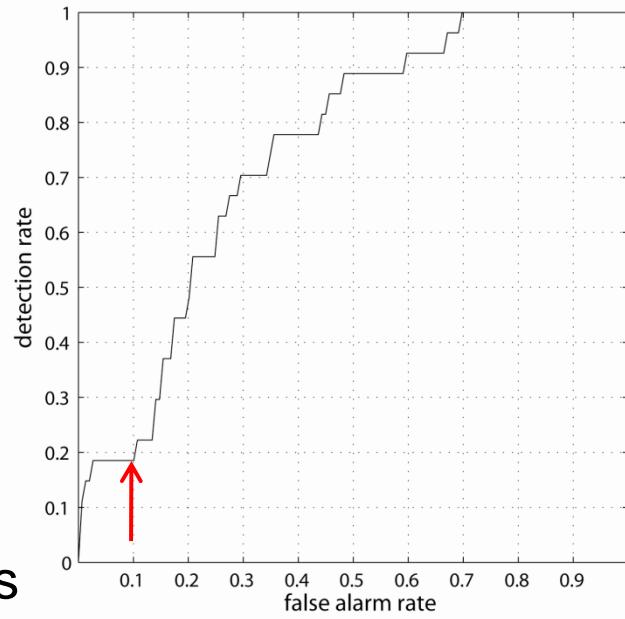
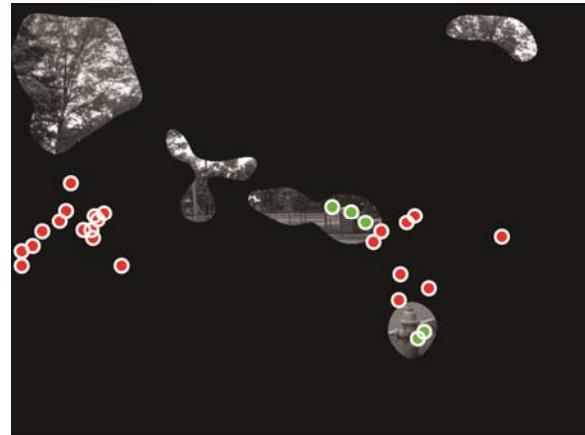
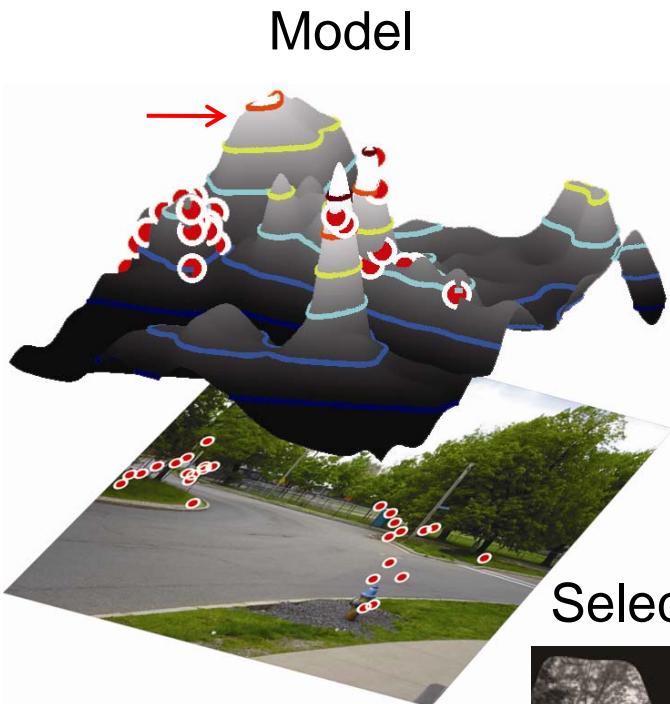


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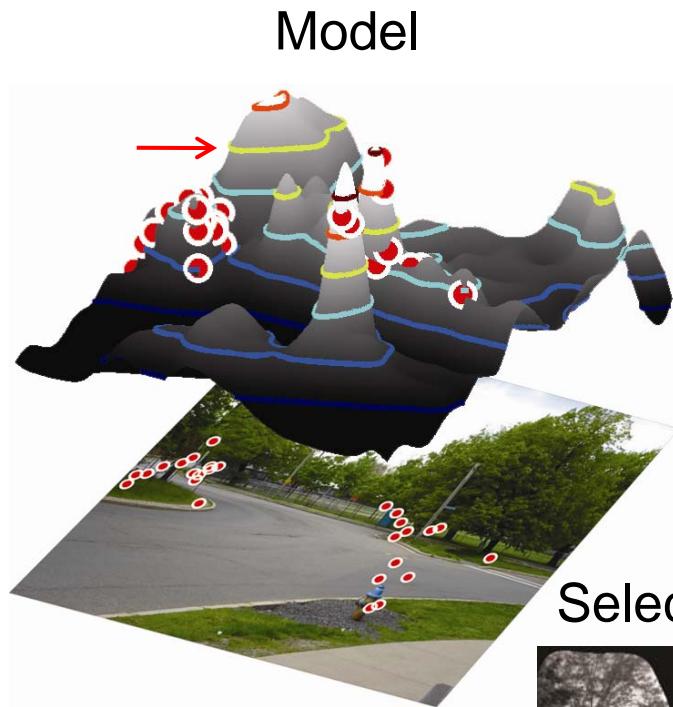
- **Inter-observer agreement** = upper bound for model performance
- **Cross-image control** = lower bound for model performance



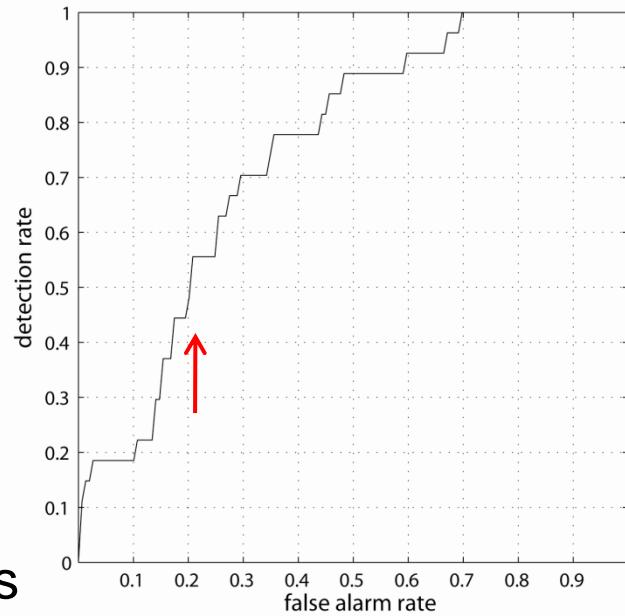
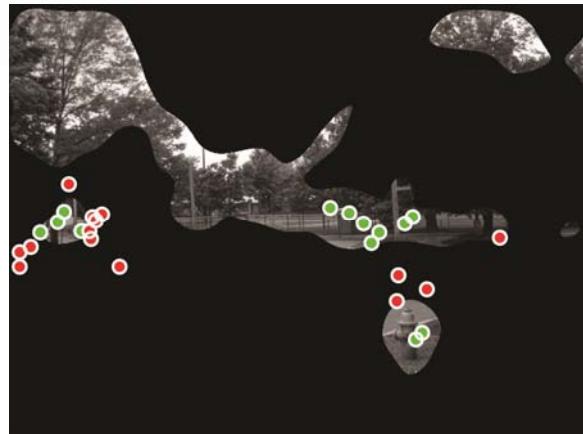
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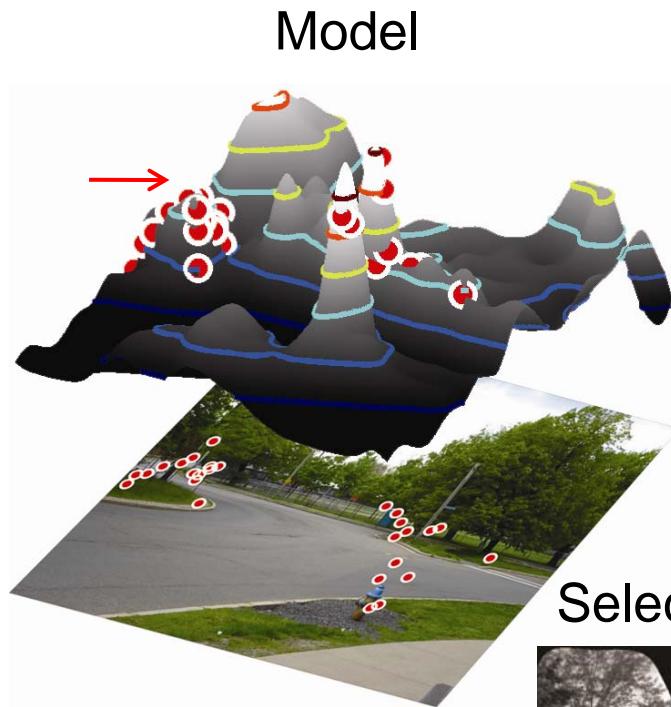
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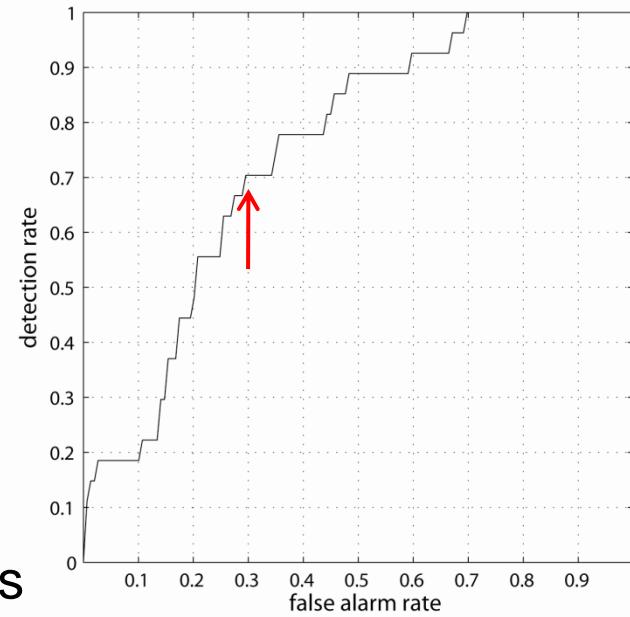
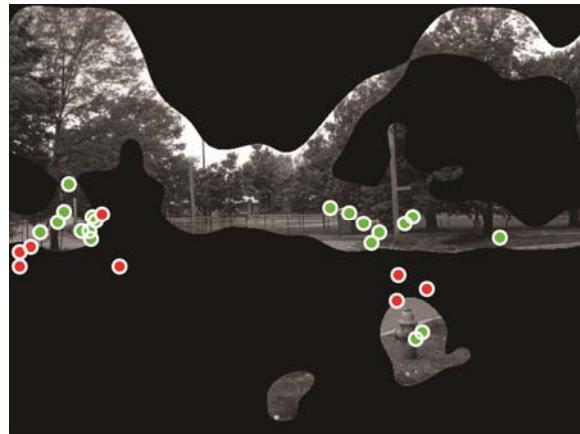
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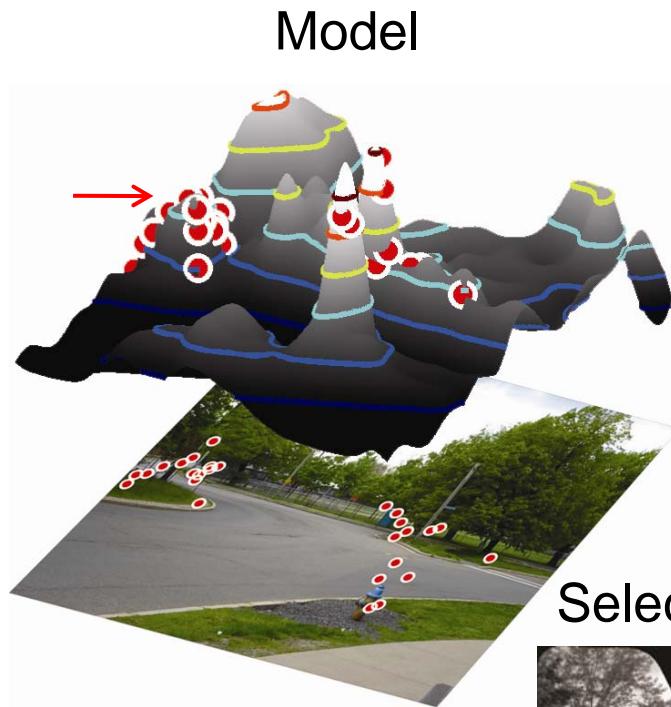
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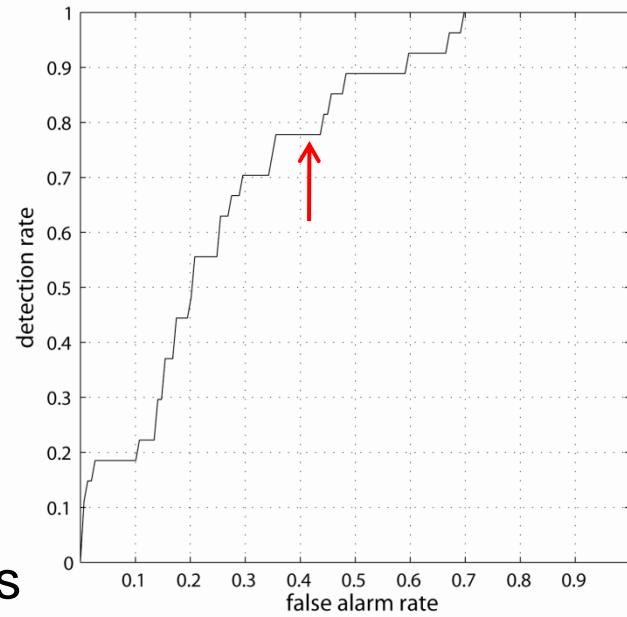
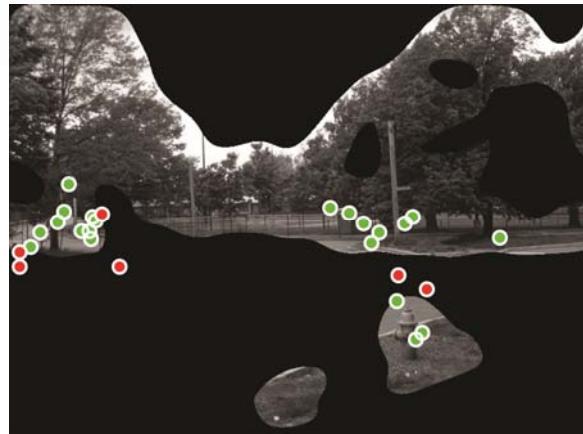
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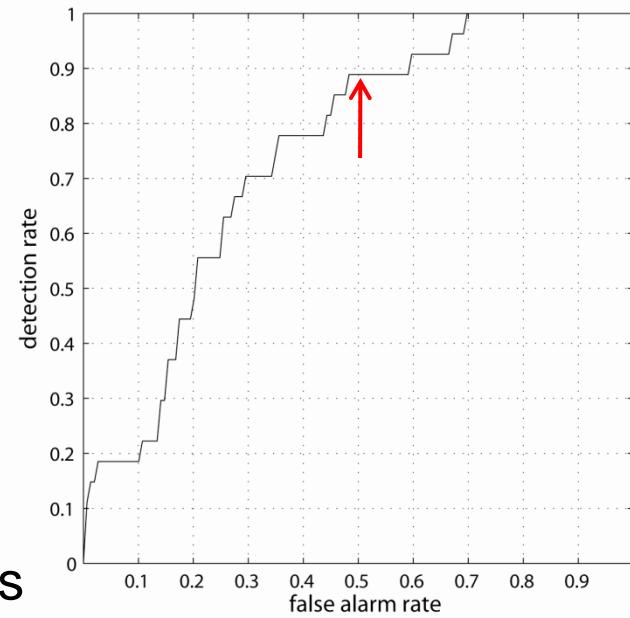
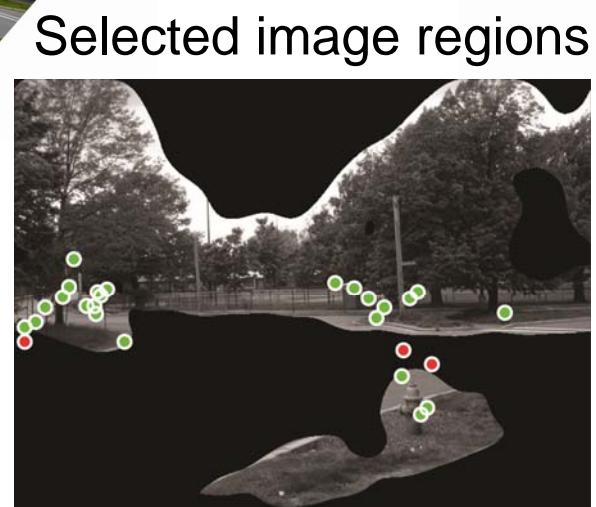
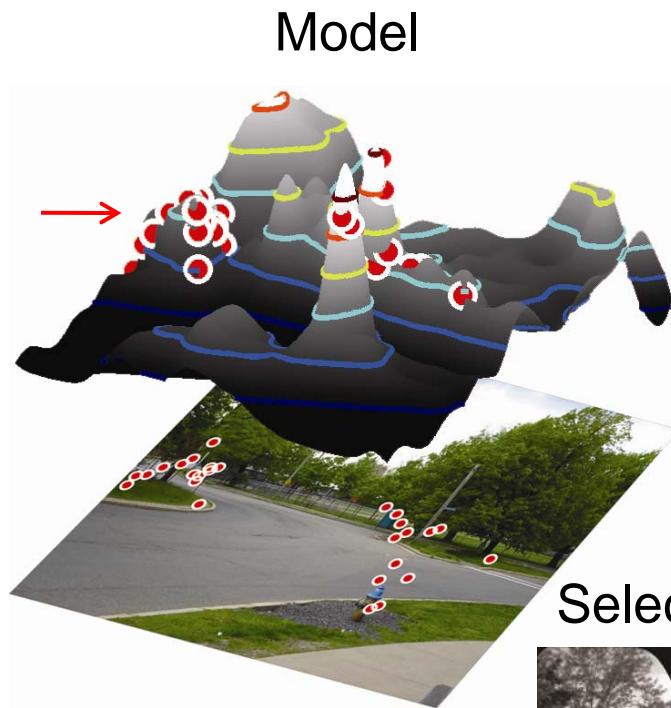


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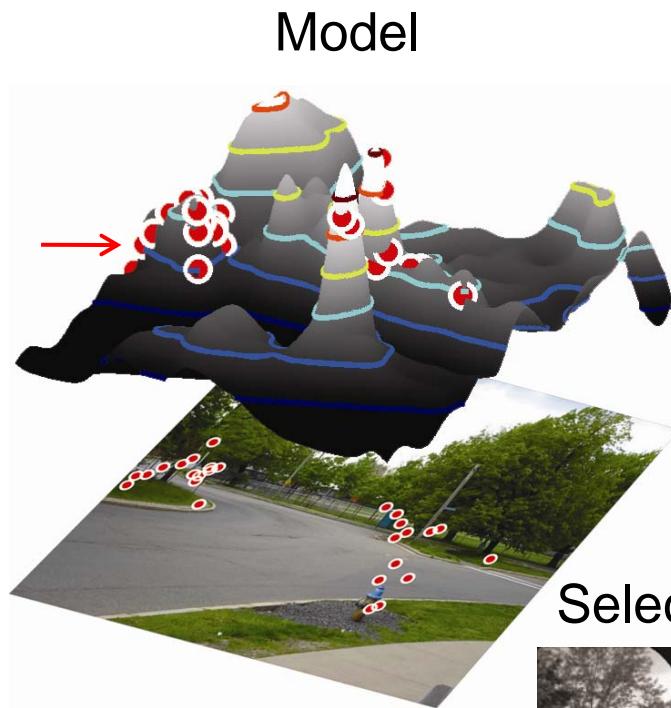


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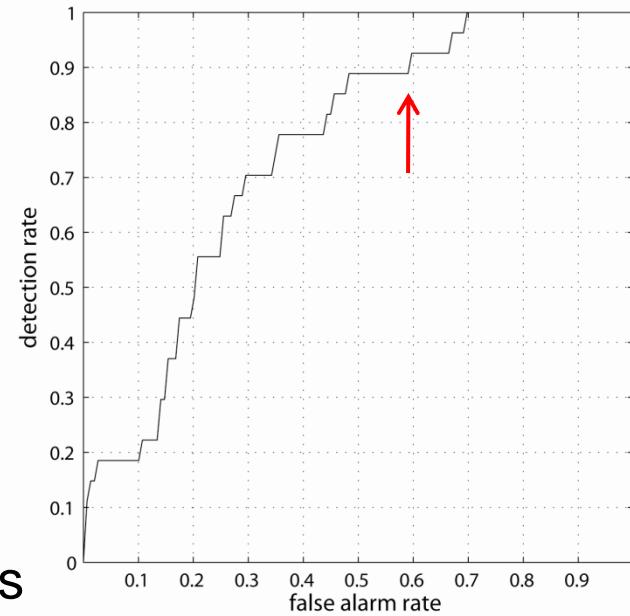
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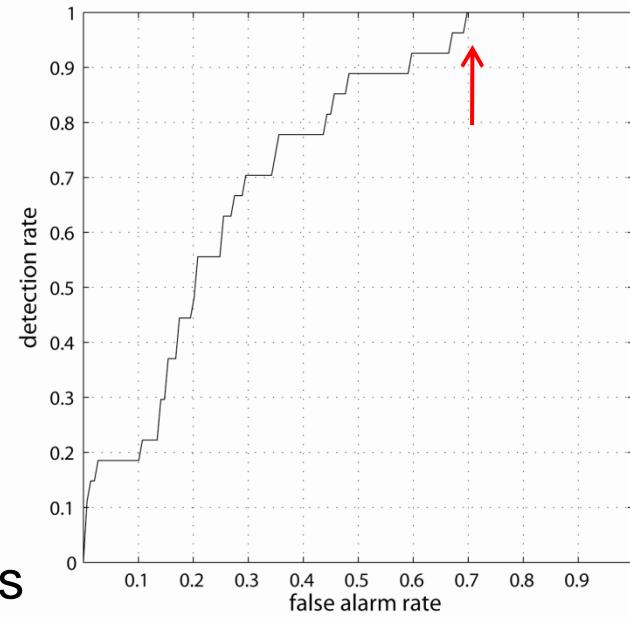
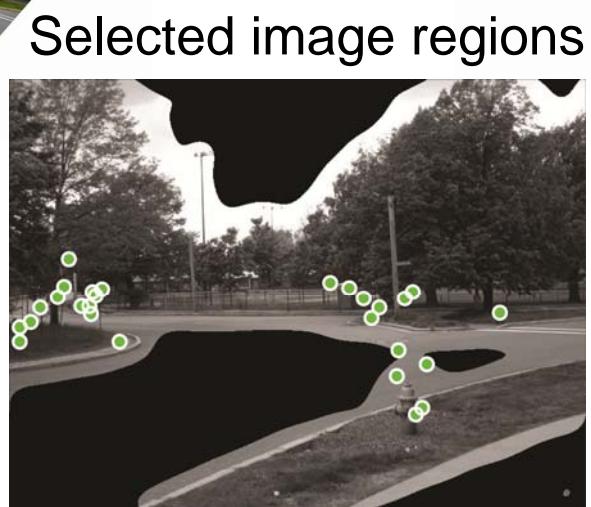
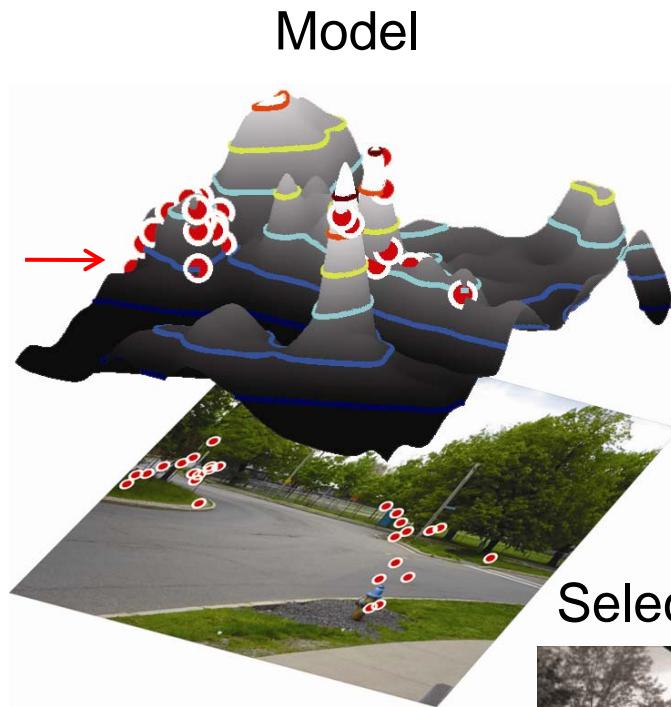
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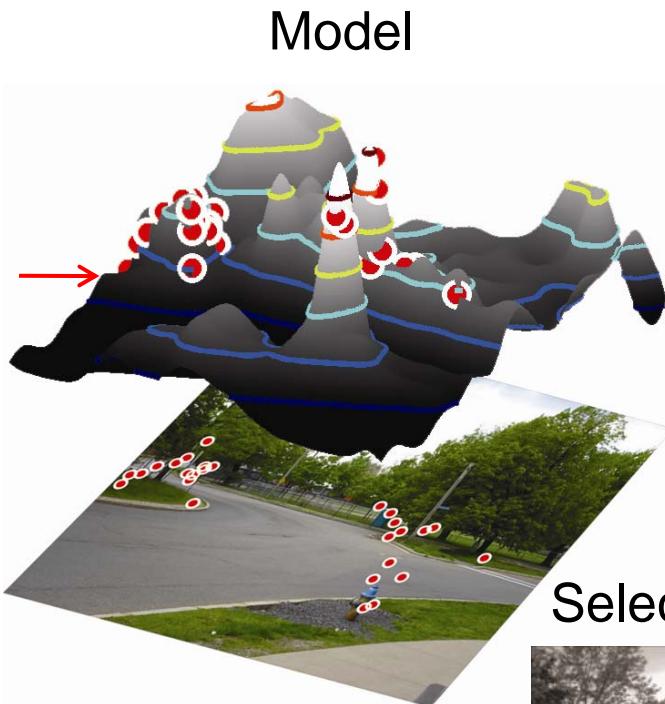


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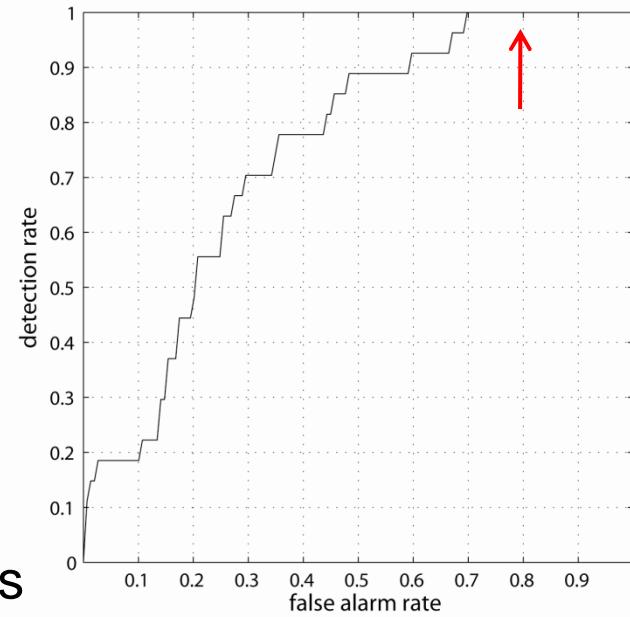


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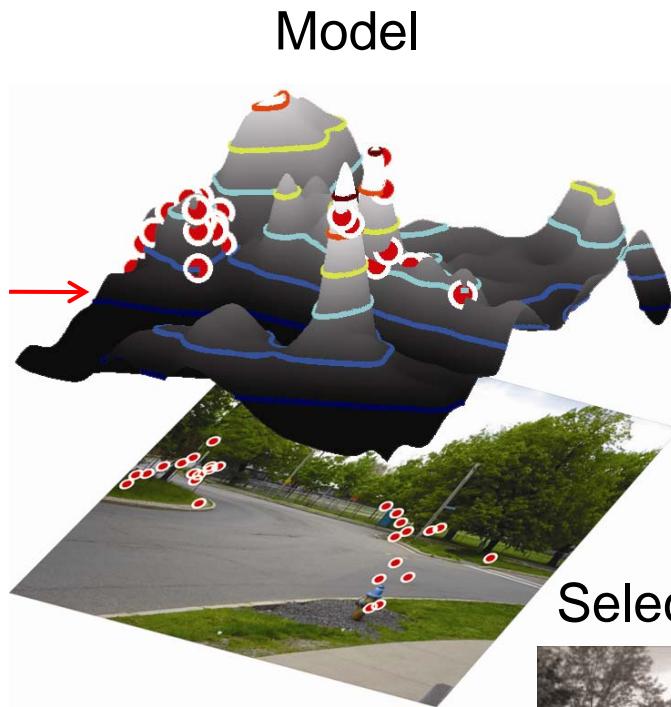
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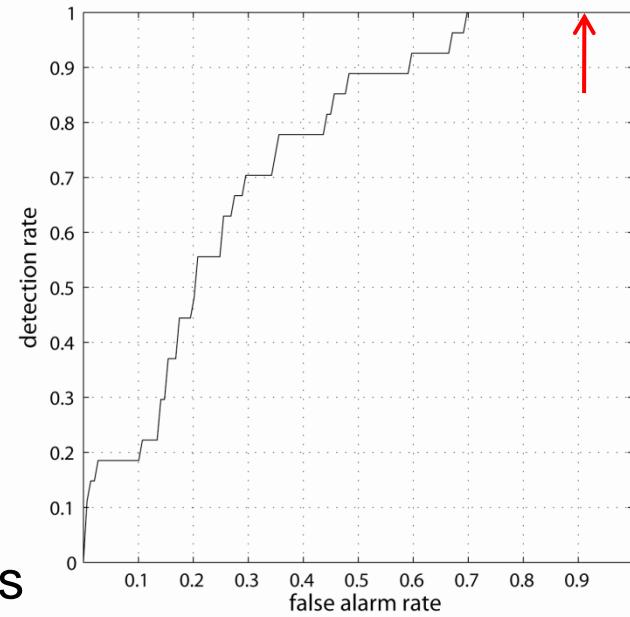
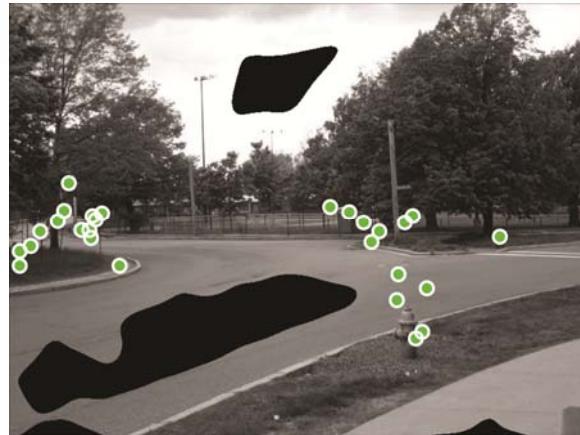
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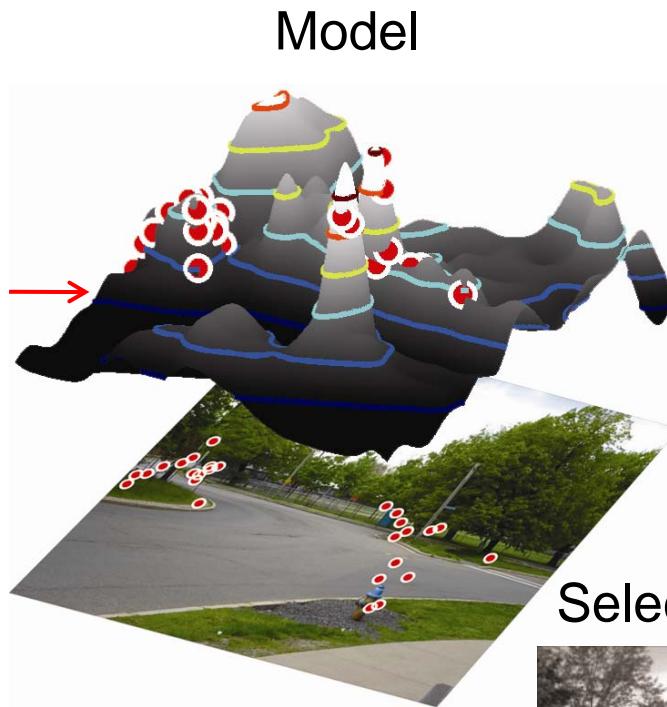
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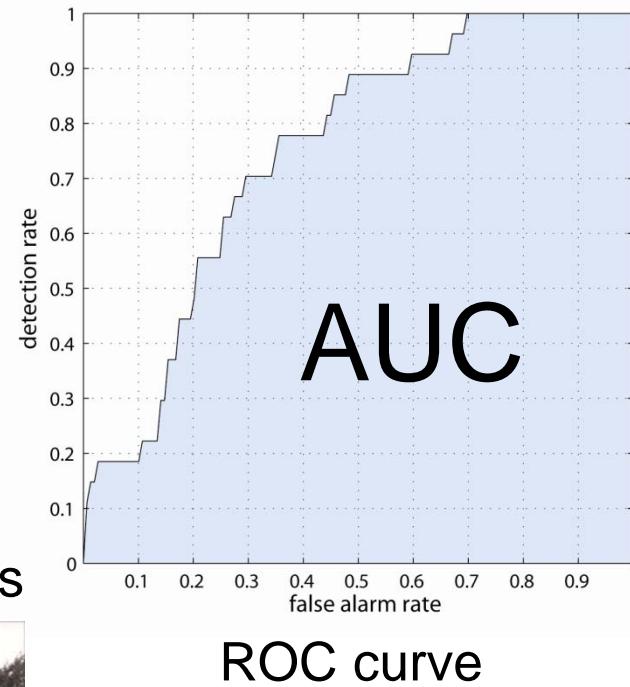
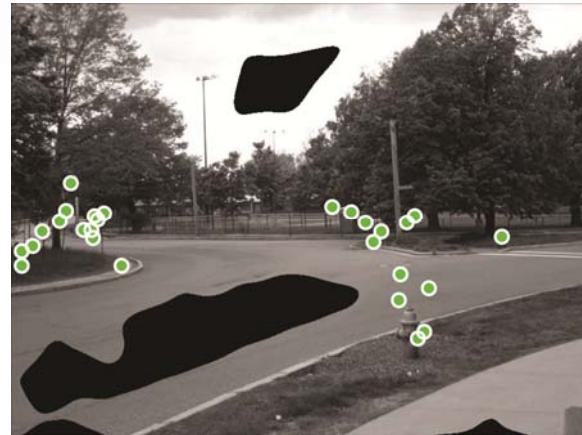
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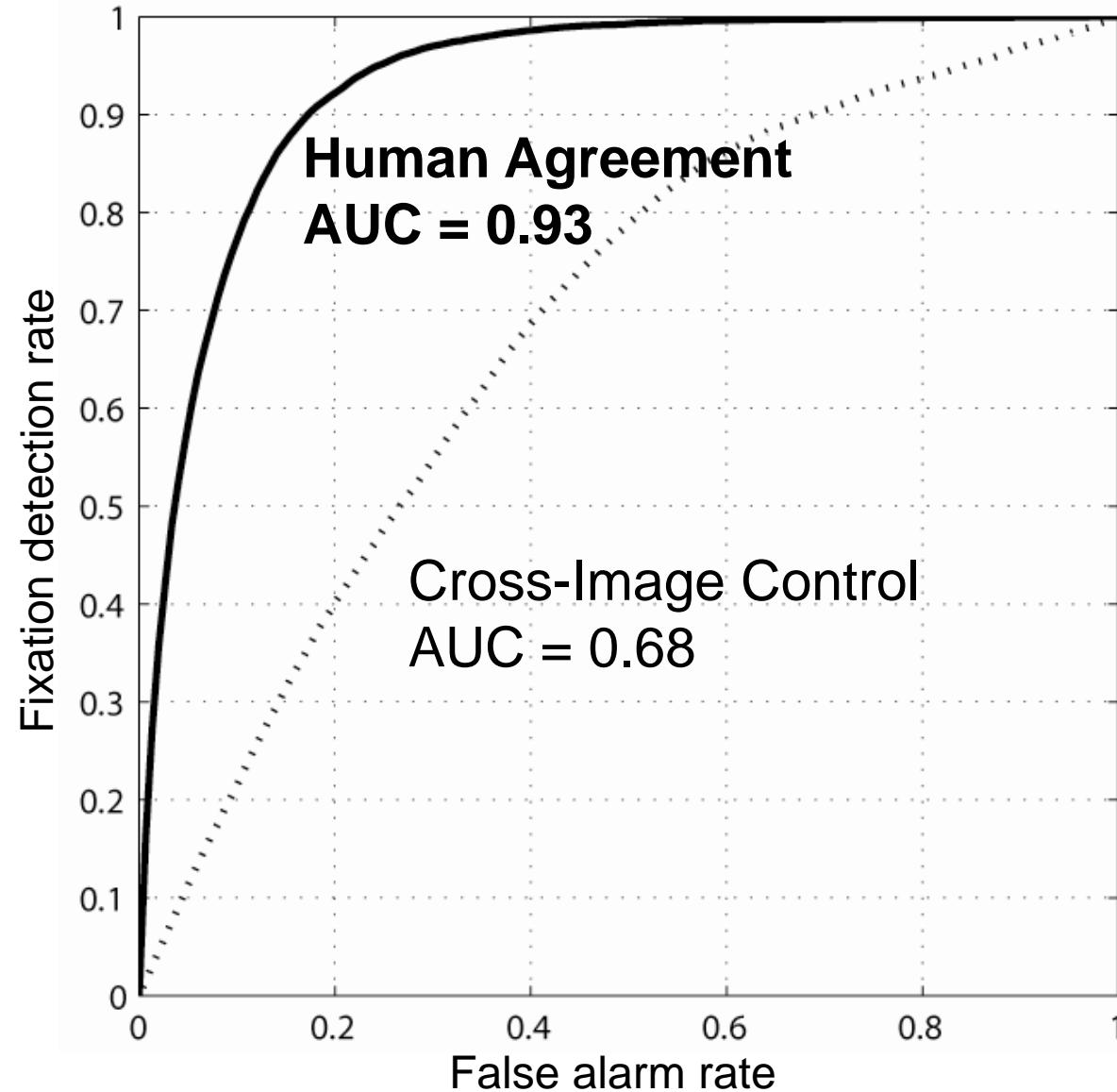
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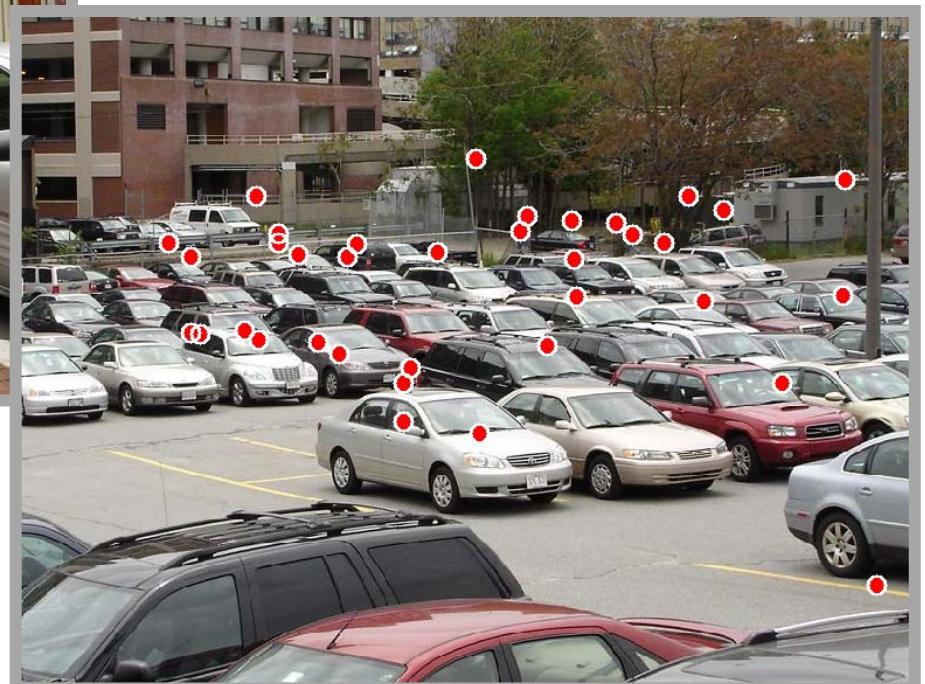
Human Agreement



Human agreement examples

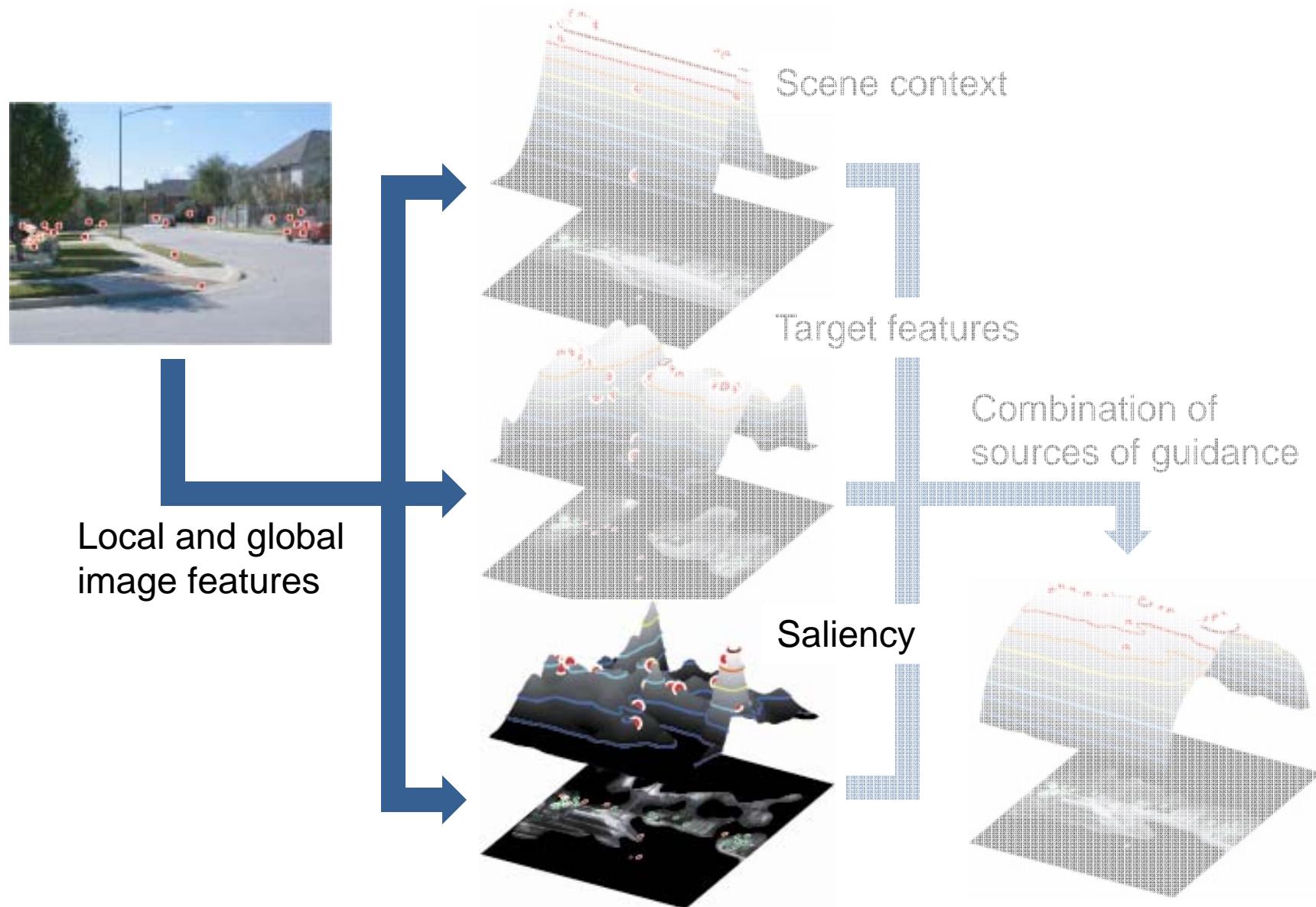


High inter-observer agreement

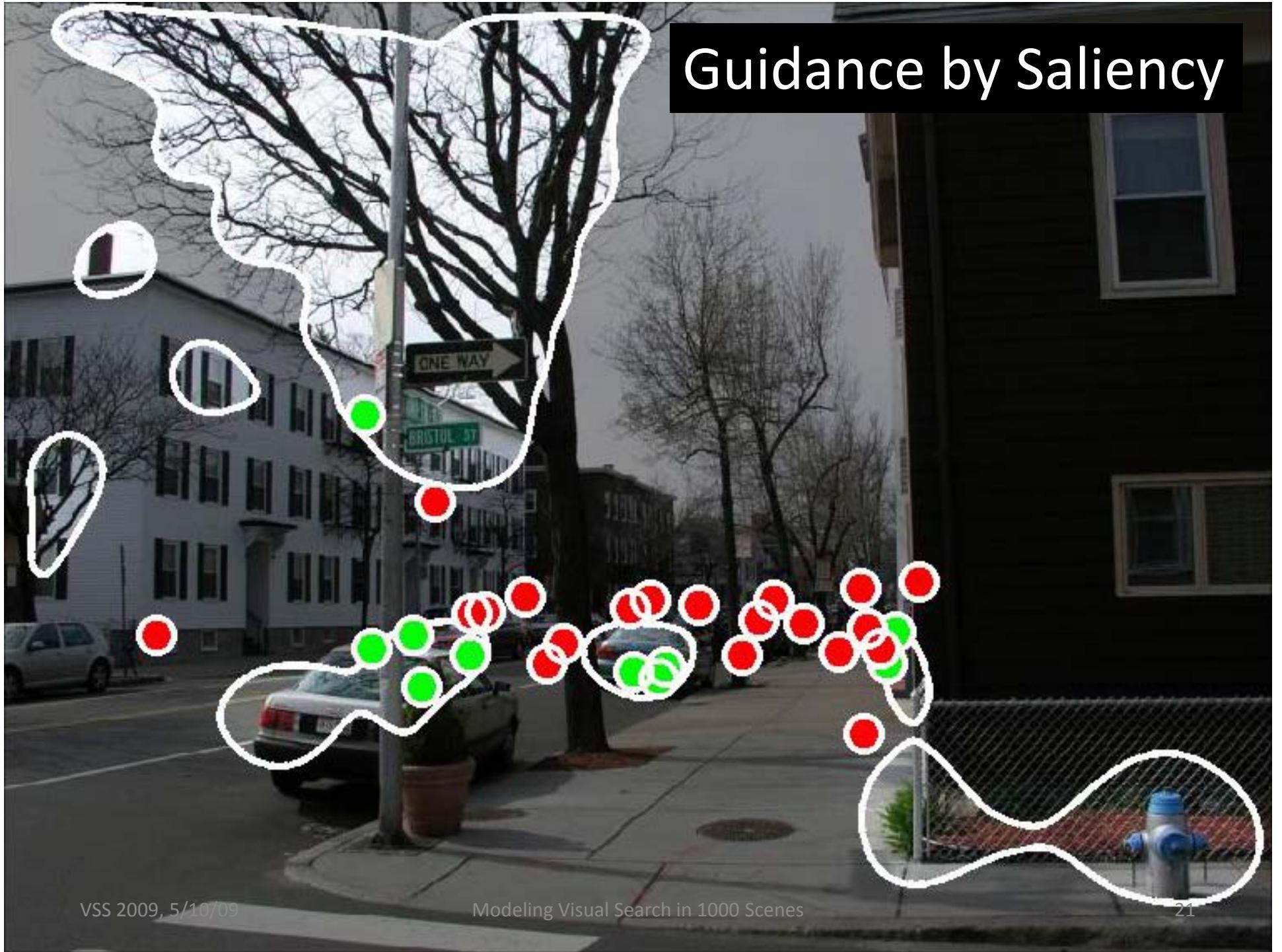


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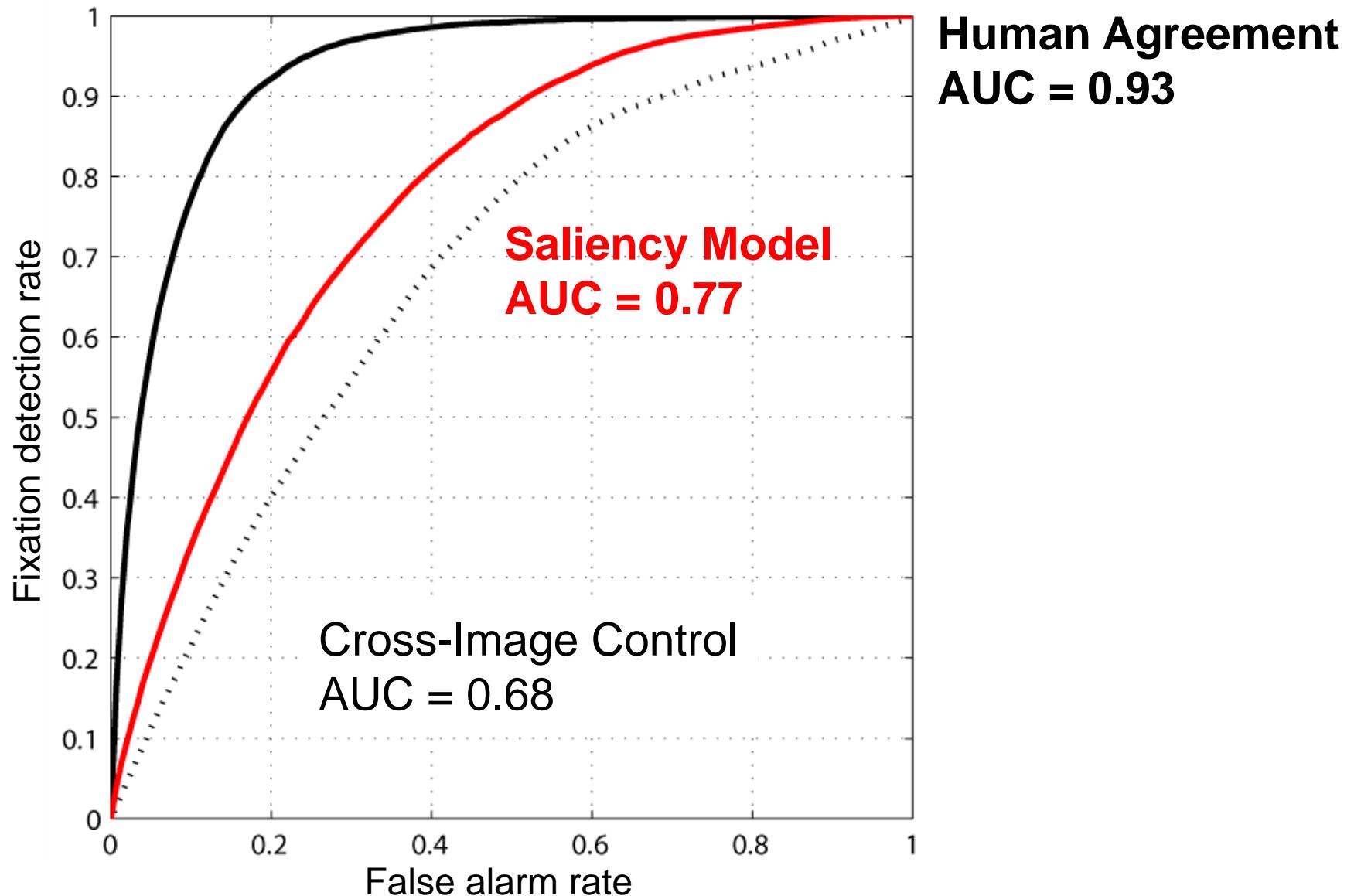
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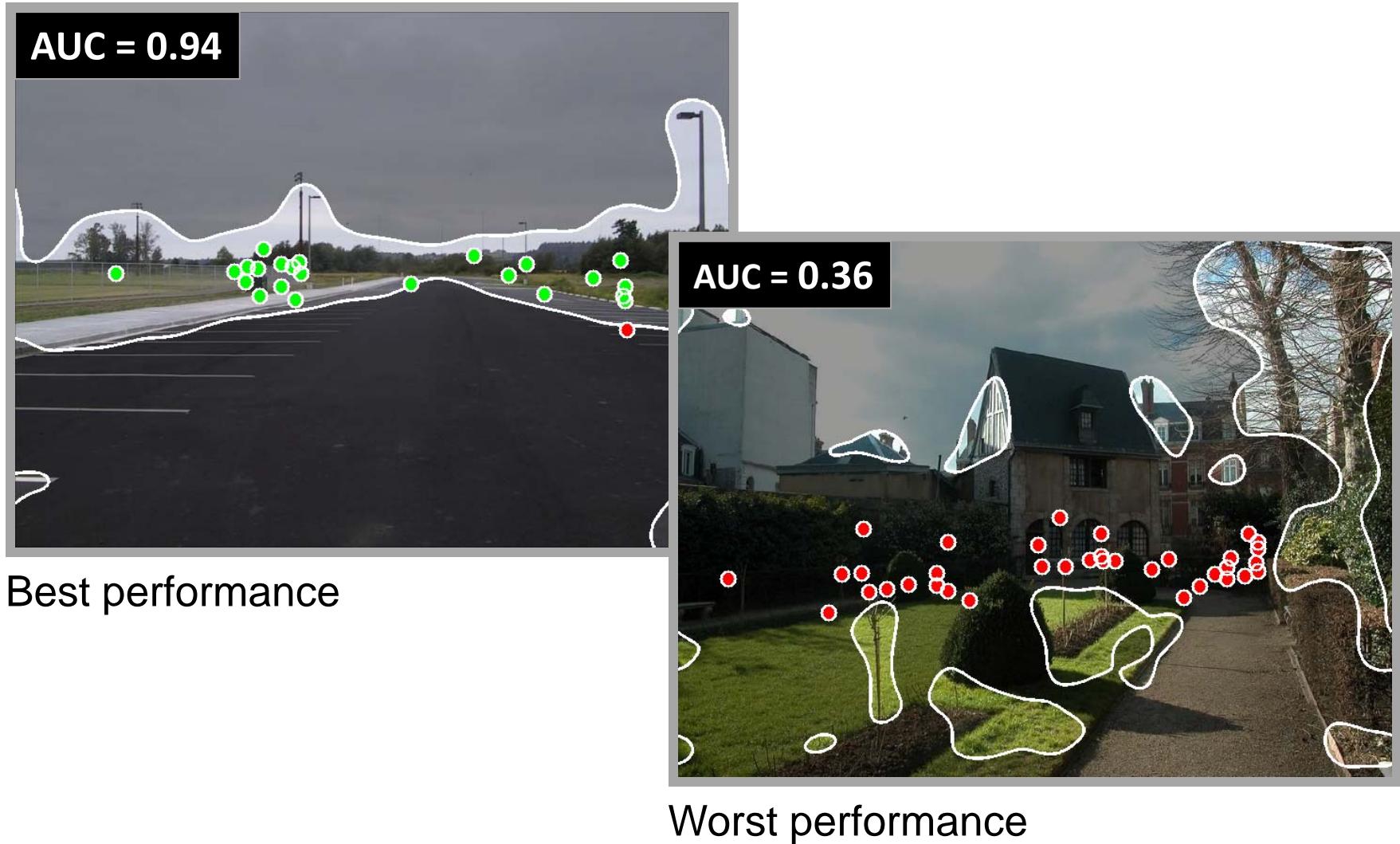
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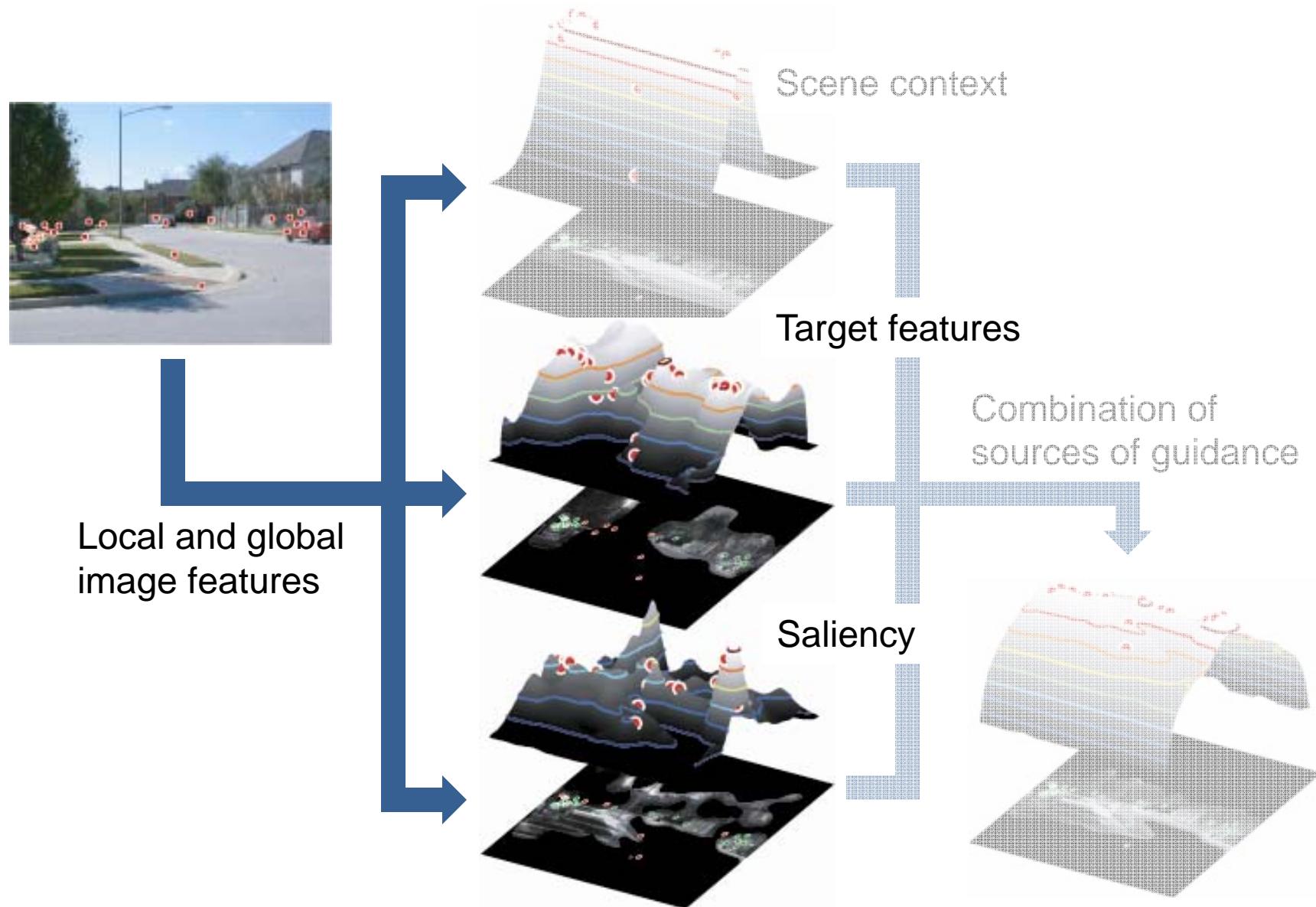
Saliency Model



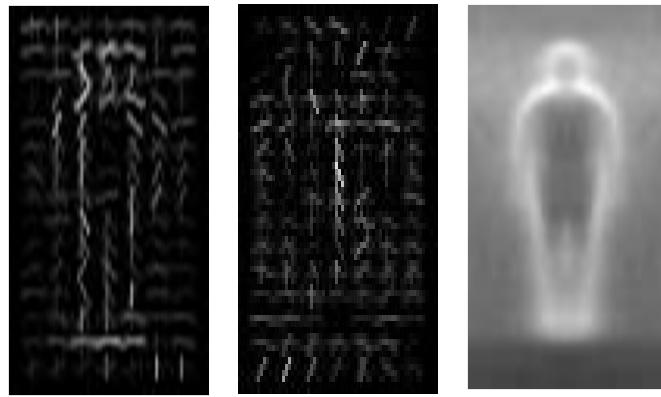
Saliency Model: Examples



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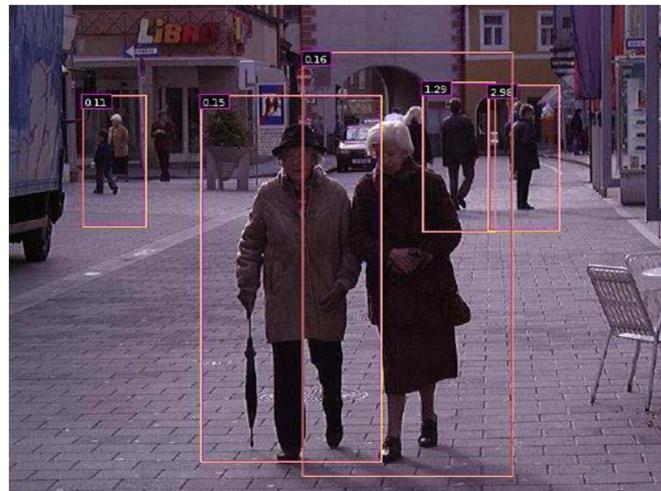
Pedestrian Detector



Positive
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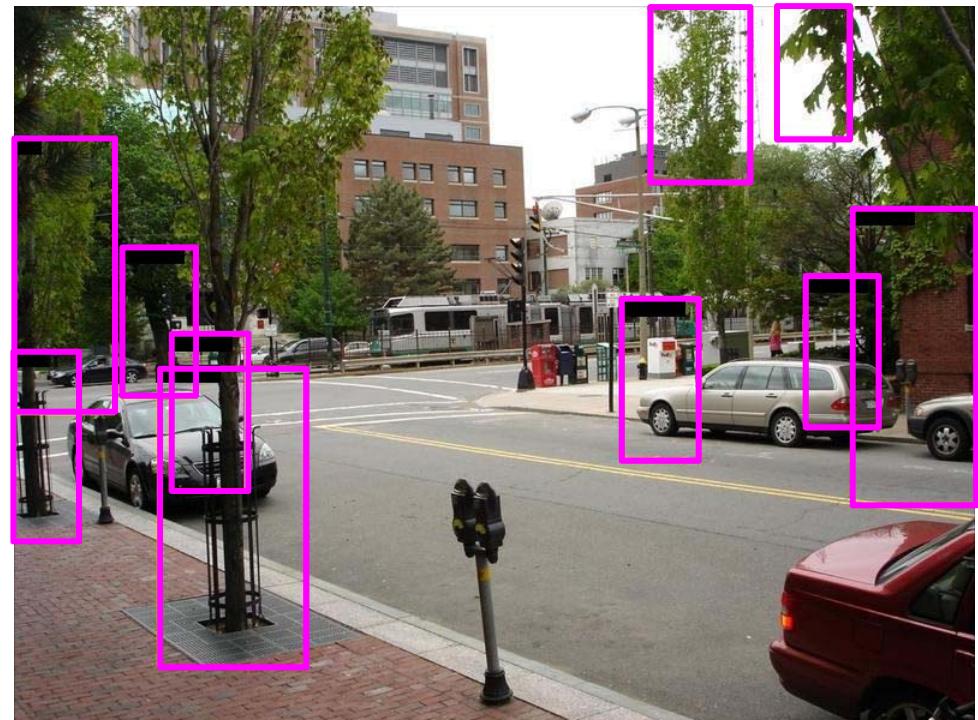
Negative
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Average
gradient

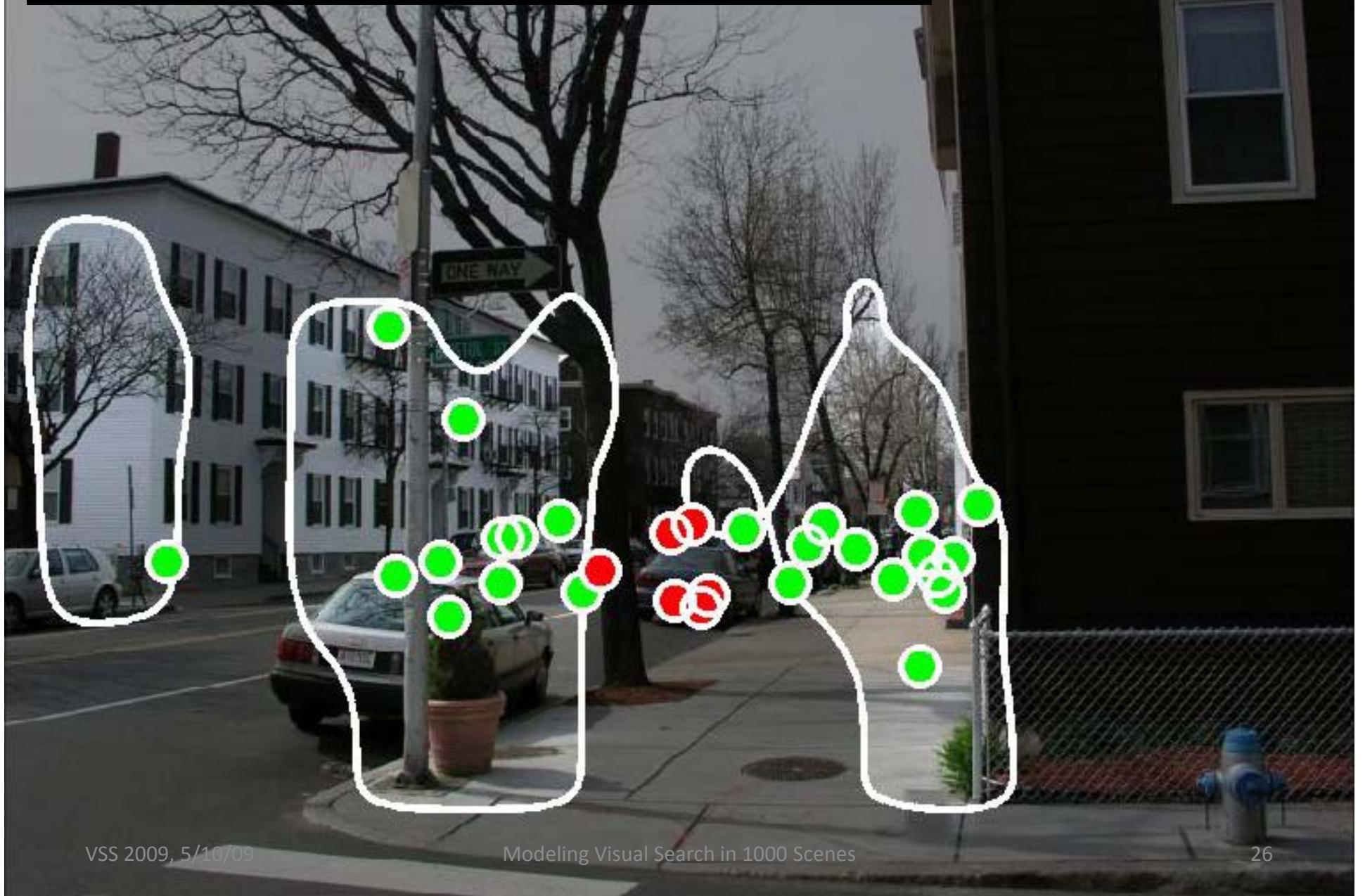


Dalal & Triggs, 2005 CVPR

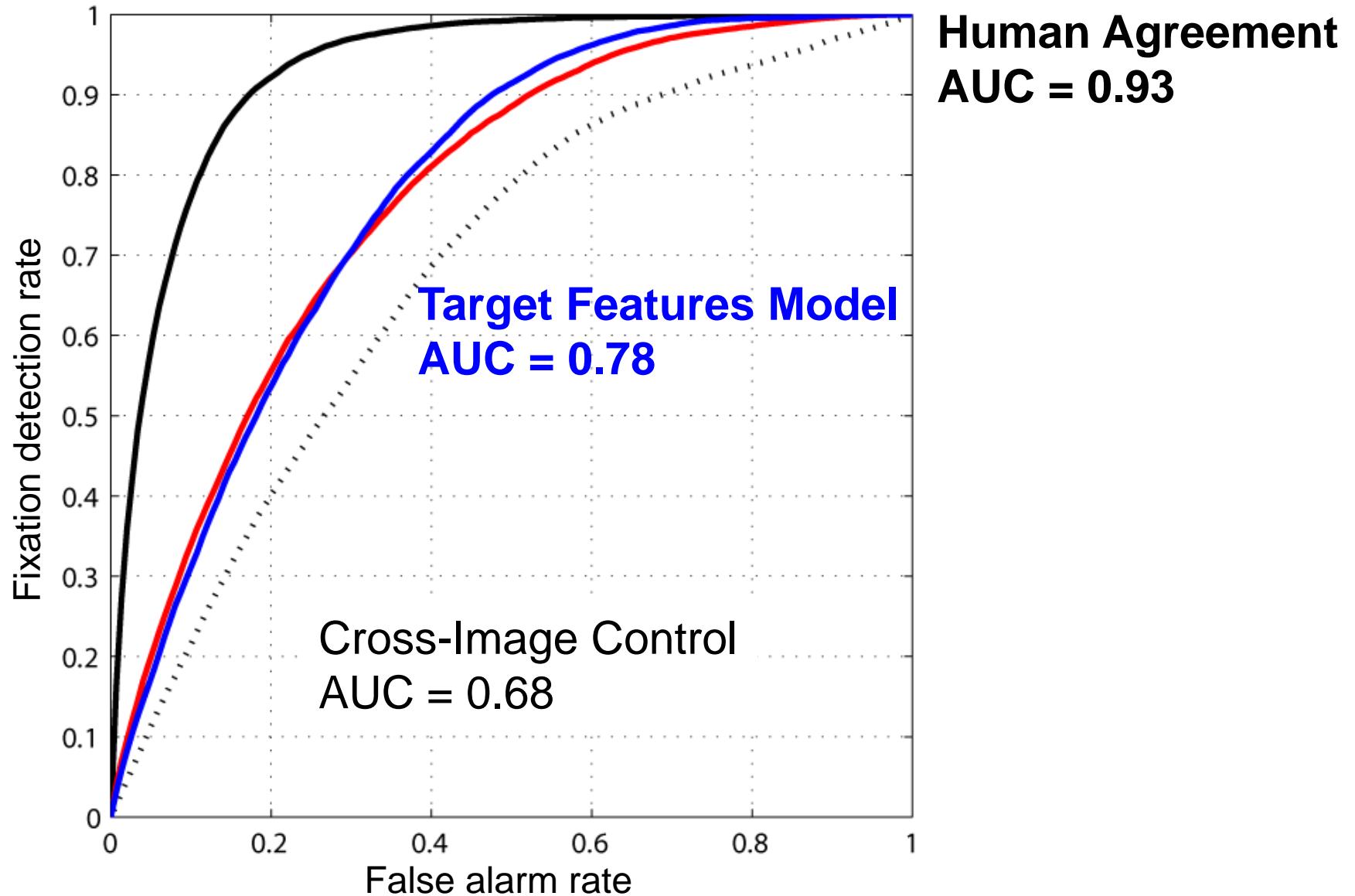
- Histograms of Oriented Gradients (HOG) detector by Dalal & Triggs



Guidance by Target Features



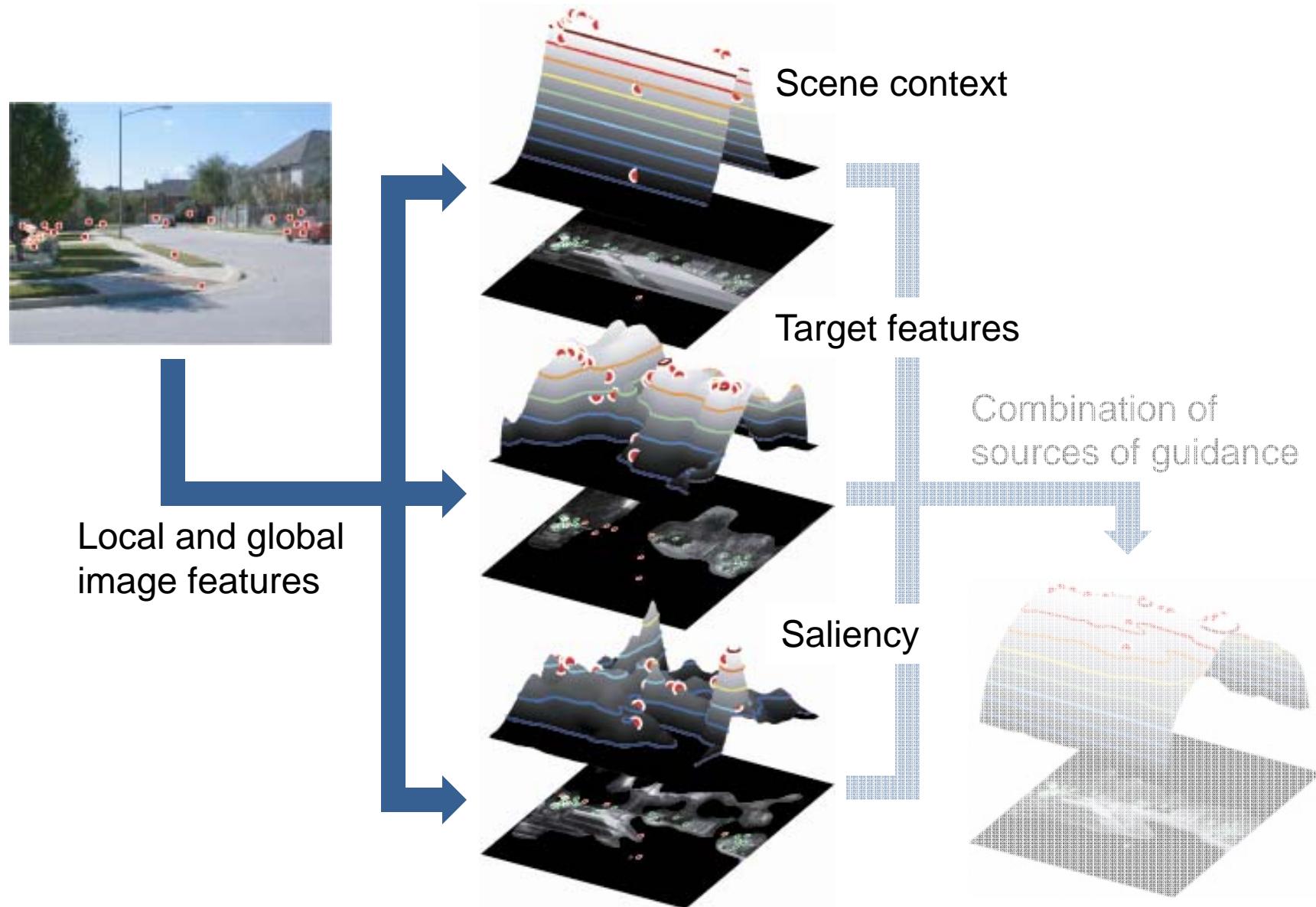
Target Features Model



Target Features Model: Examples



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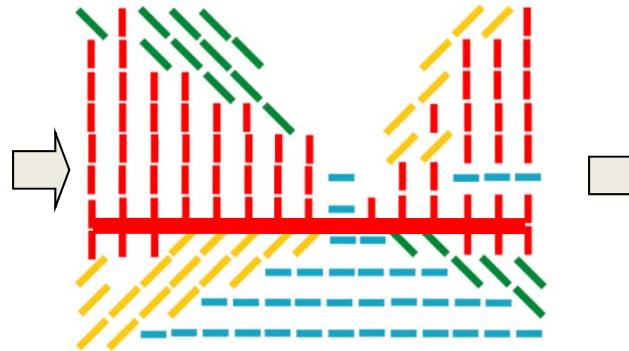
What is the context region for pedestrians?



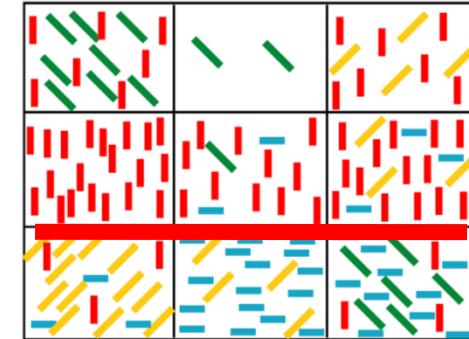
Scene Context Model



Training image
(contains a pedestrian)



Orientations at various
spatial scales

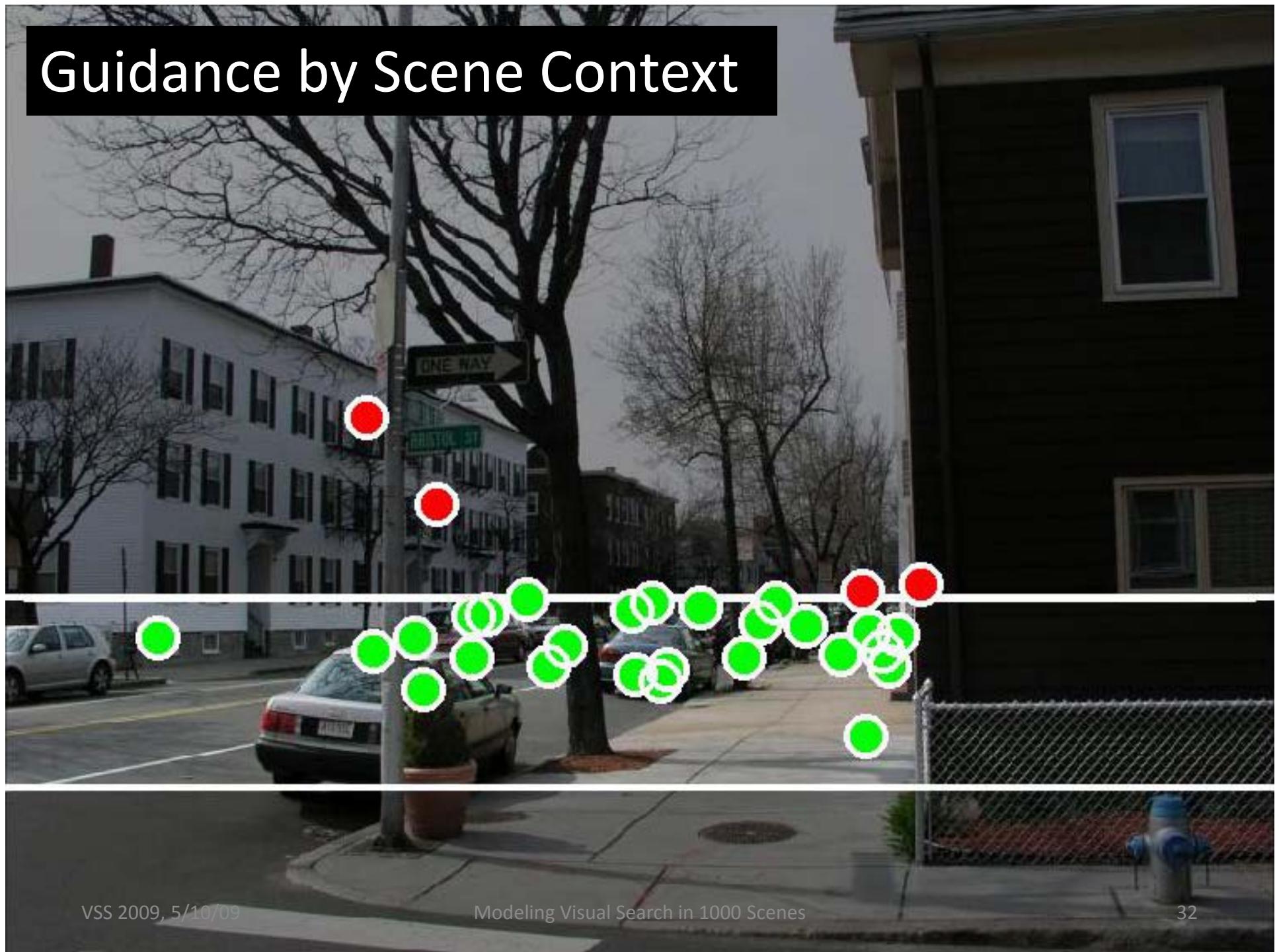


Scene “gist” + position
of pedestrian

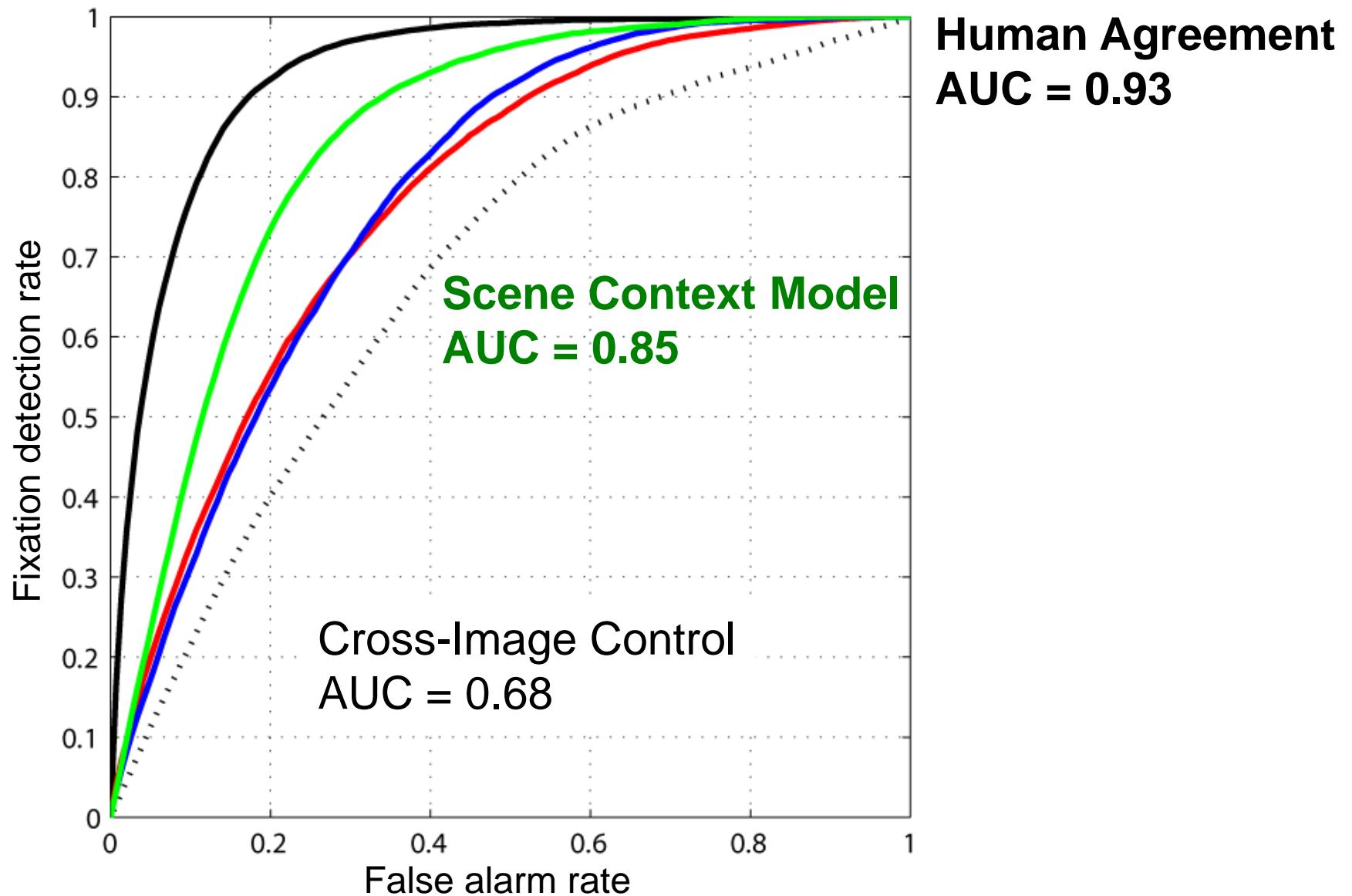


Oliva & Torralba, 2001

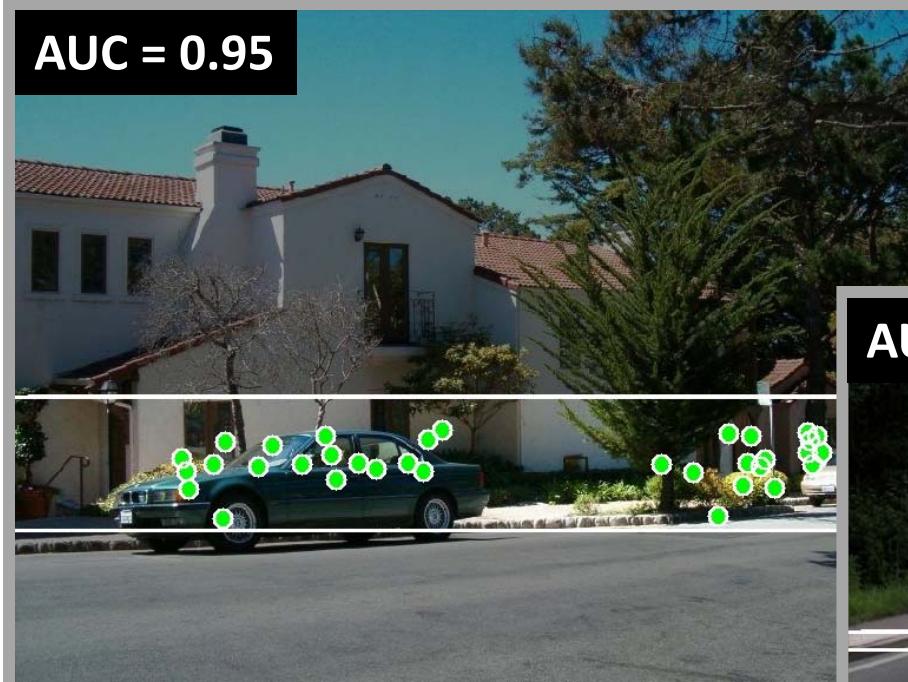
Guidance by Scene Context



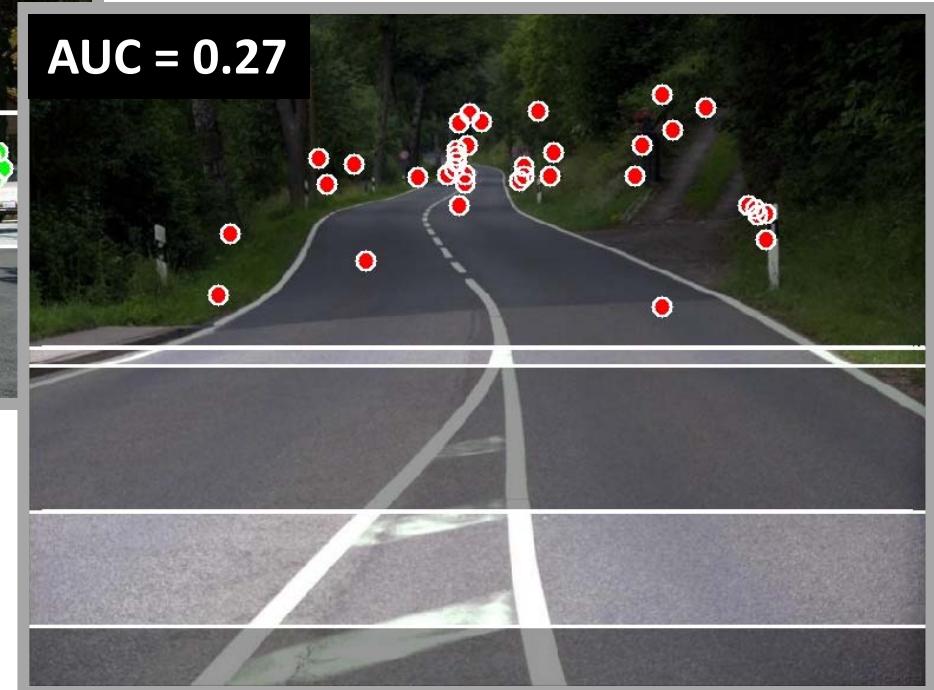
Scene Context Model



Scene Context Model: Examples

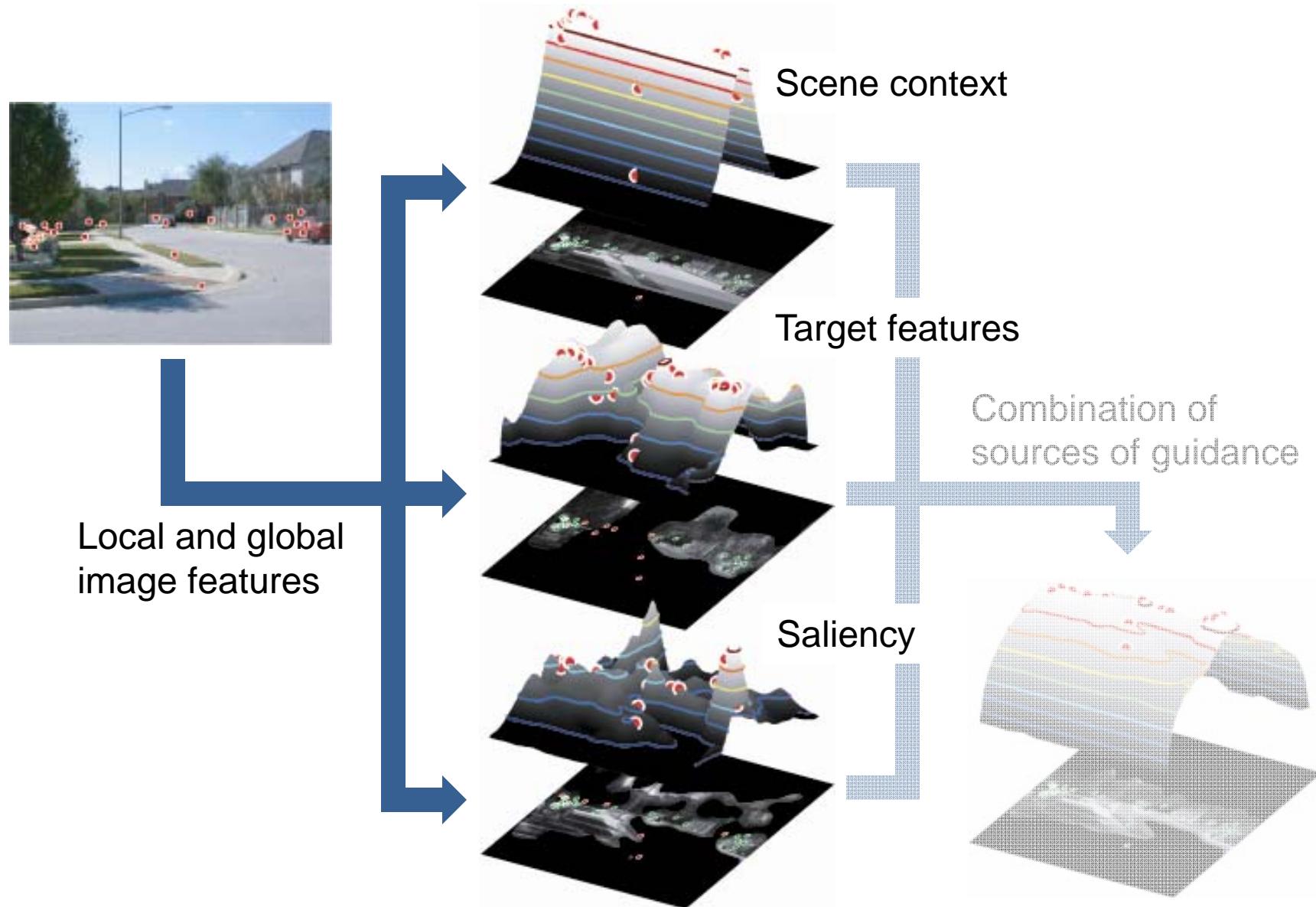


Best performance

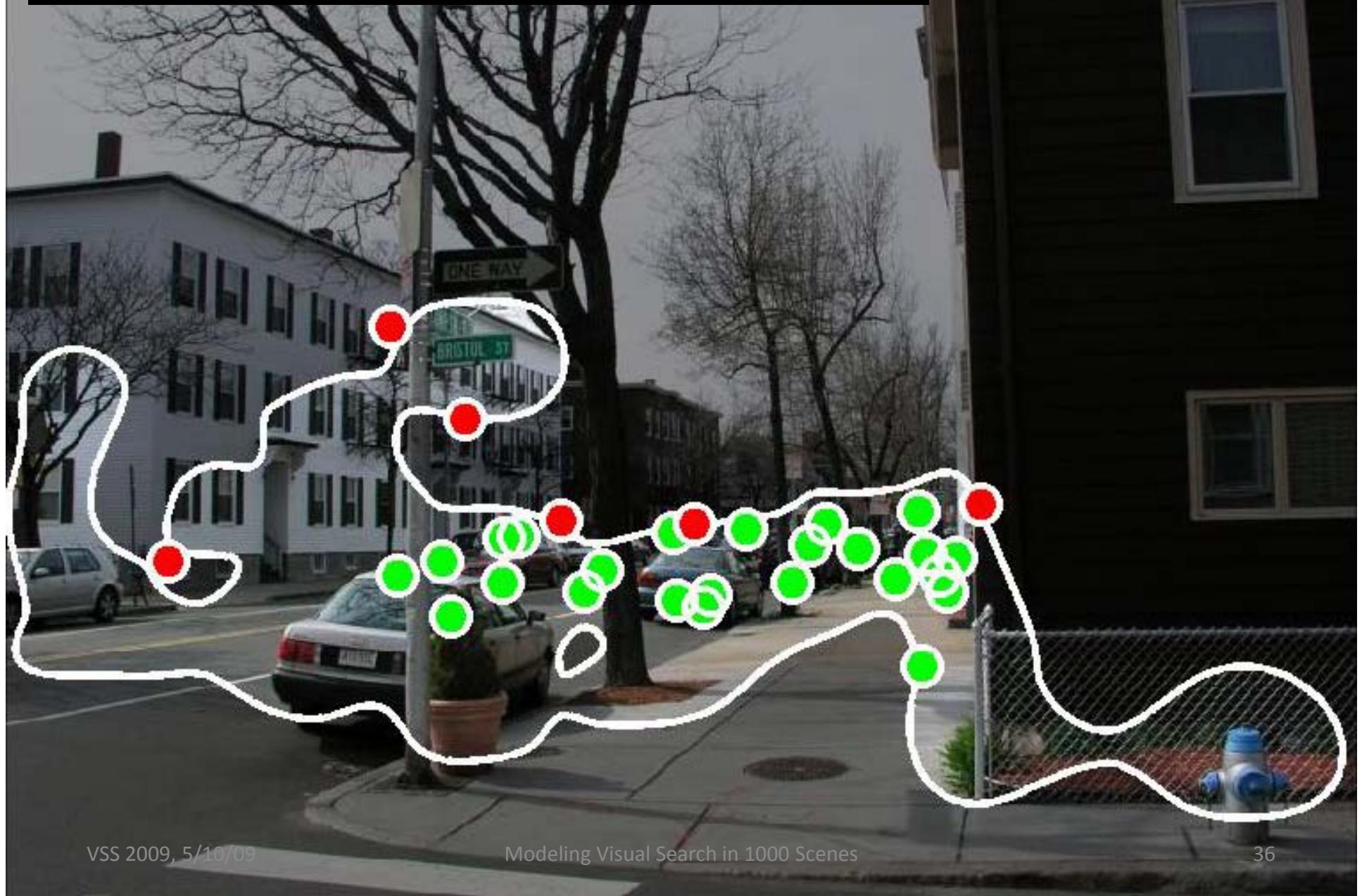


Worst performance

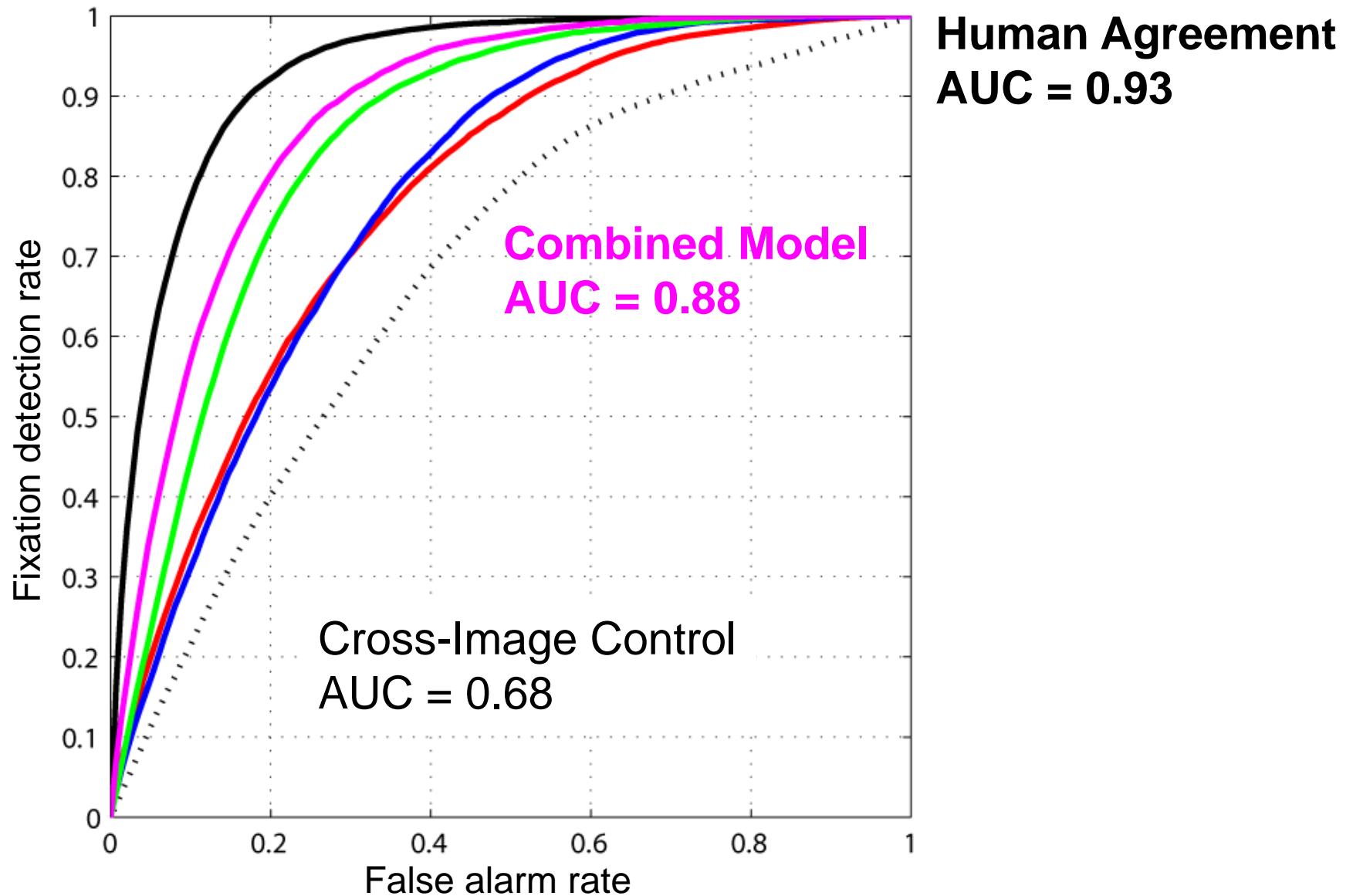
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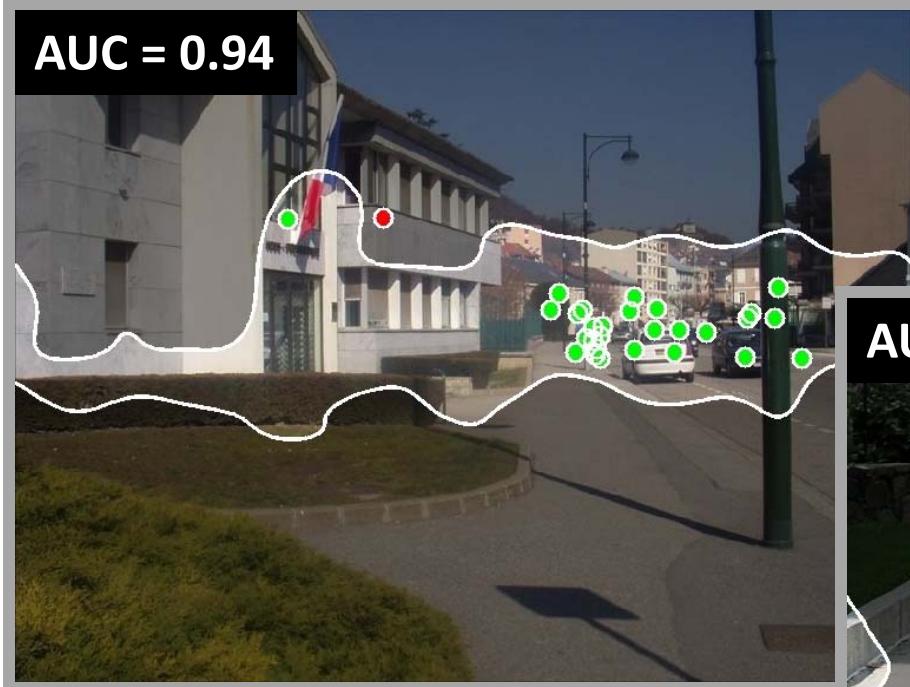
Combined Sources of Guidance



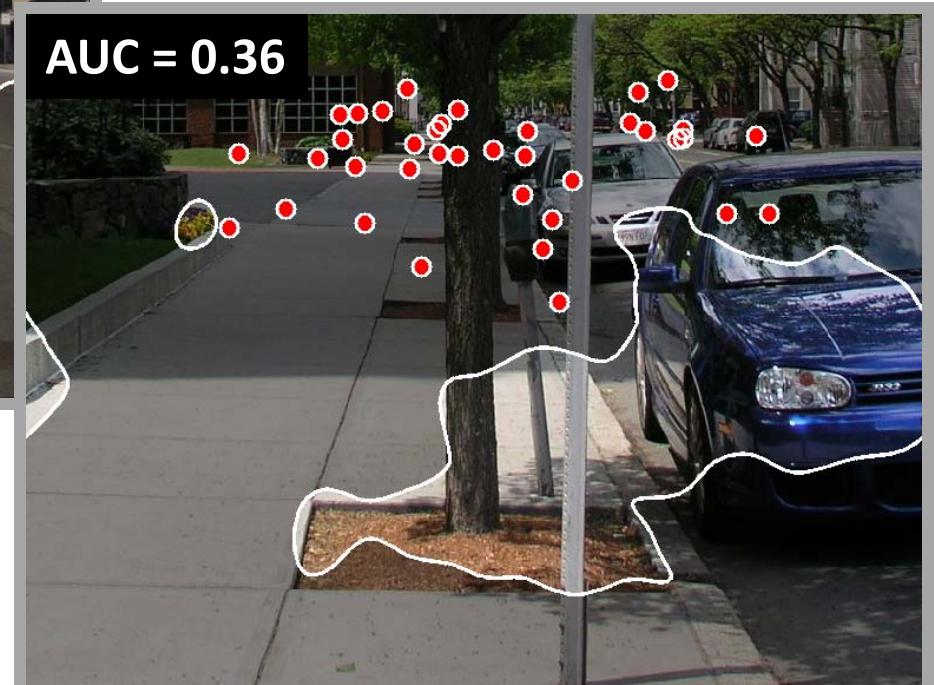
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Combined Model: Examples

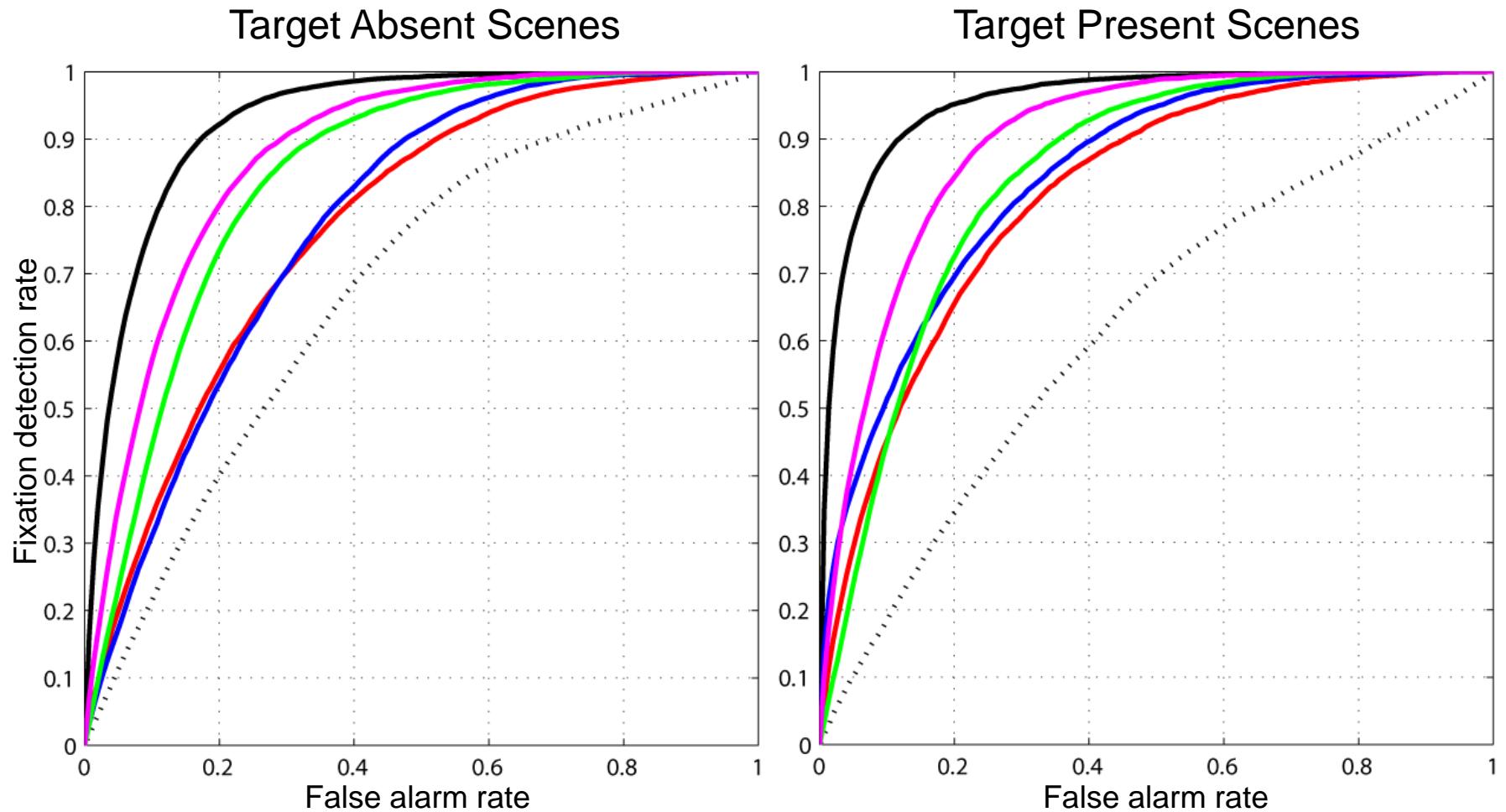


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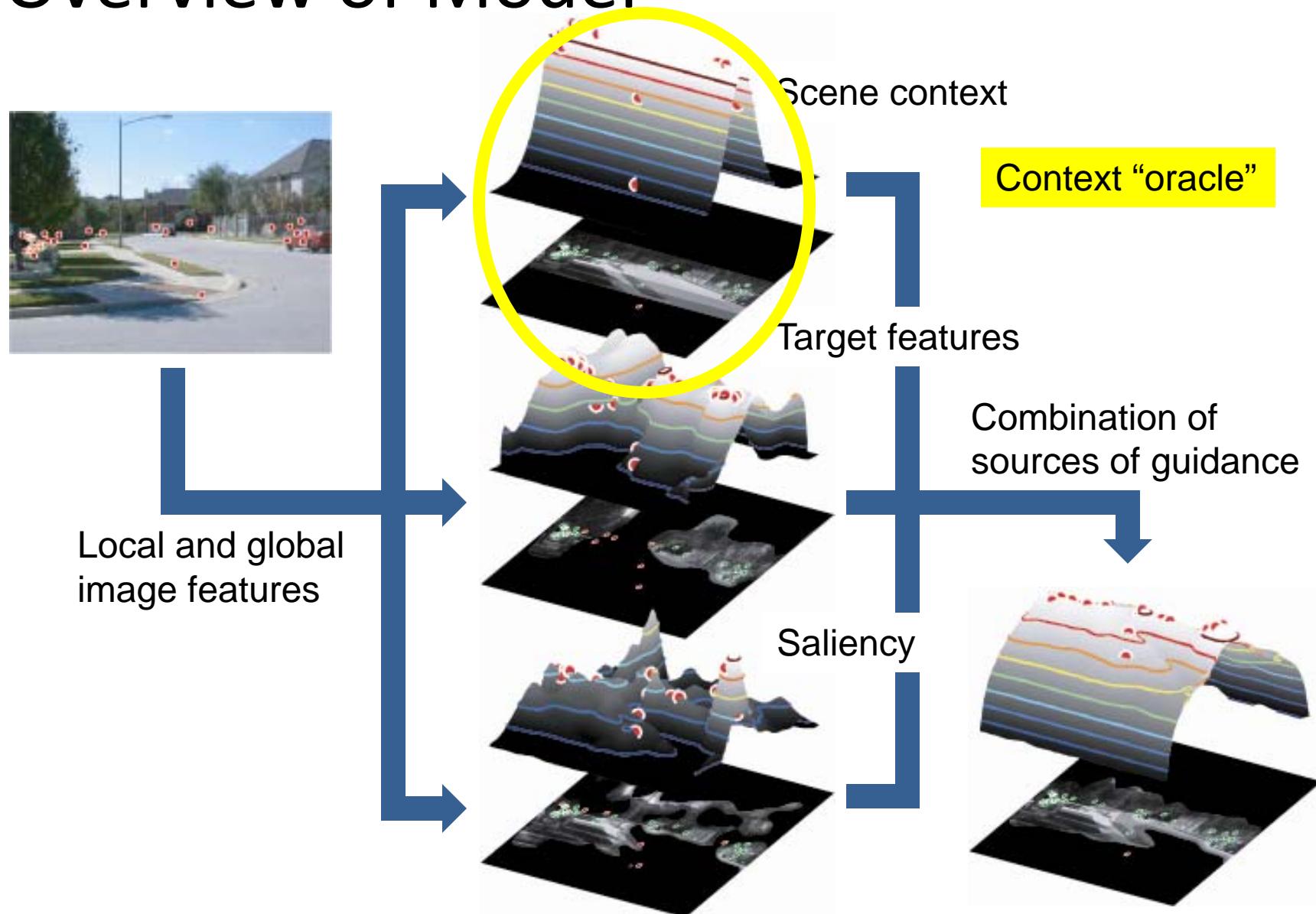
Target Absent vs. Target Present



Summary of results

- Combined model accounts for 94% of human agreement in search fixations
- Scene context gives the best prediction of human search fixations in this task
- How to get that last 6%?

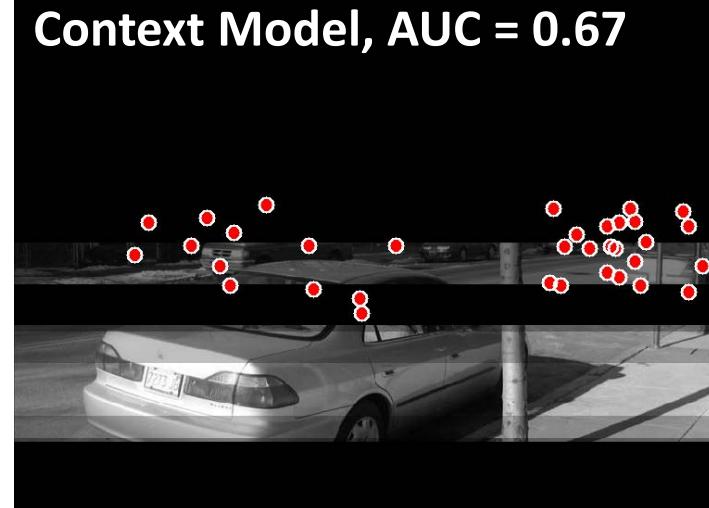
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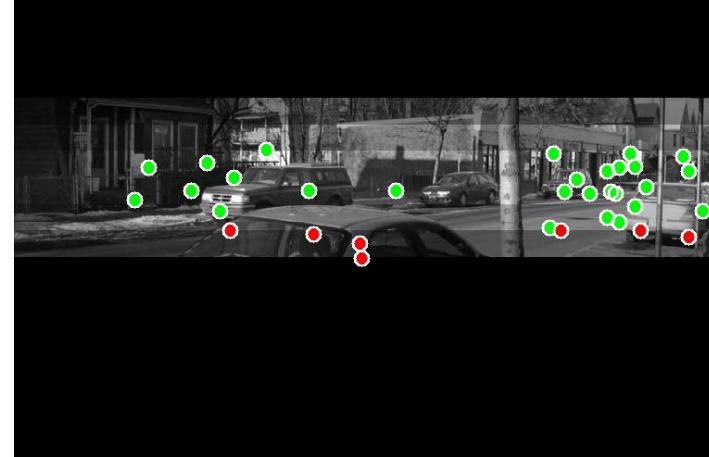
“Context Oracle” Implementation



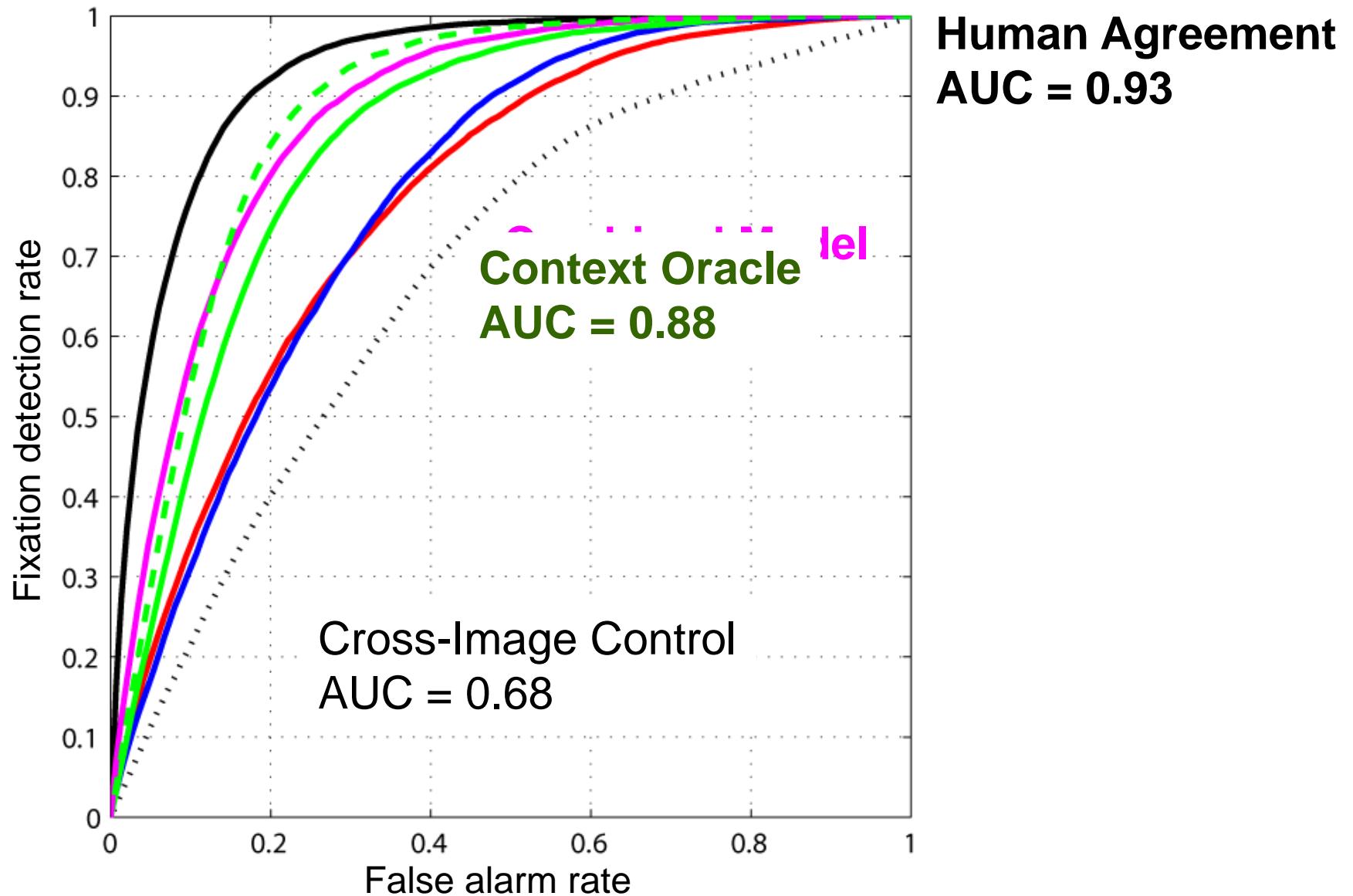
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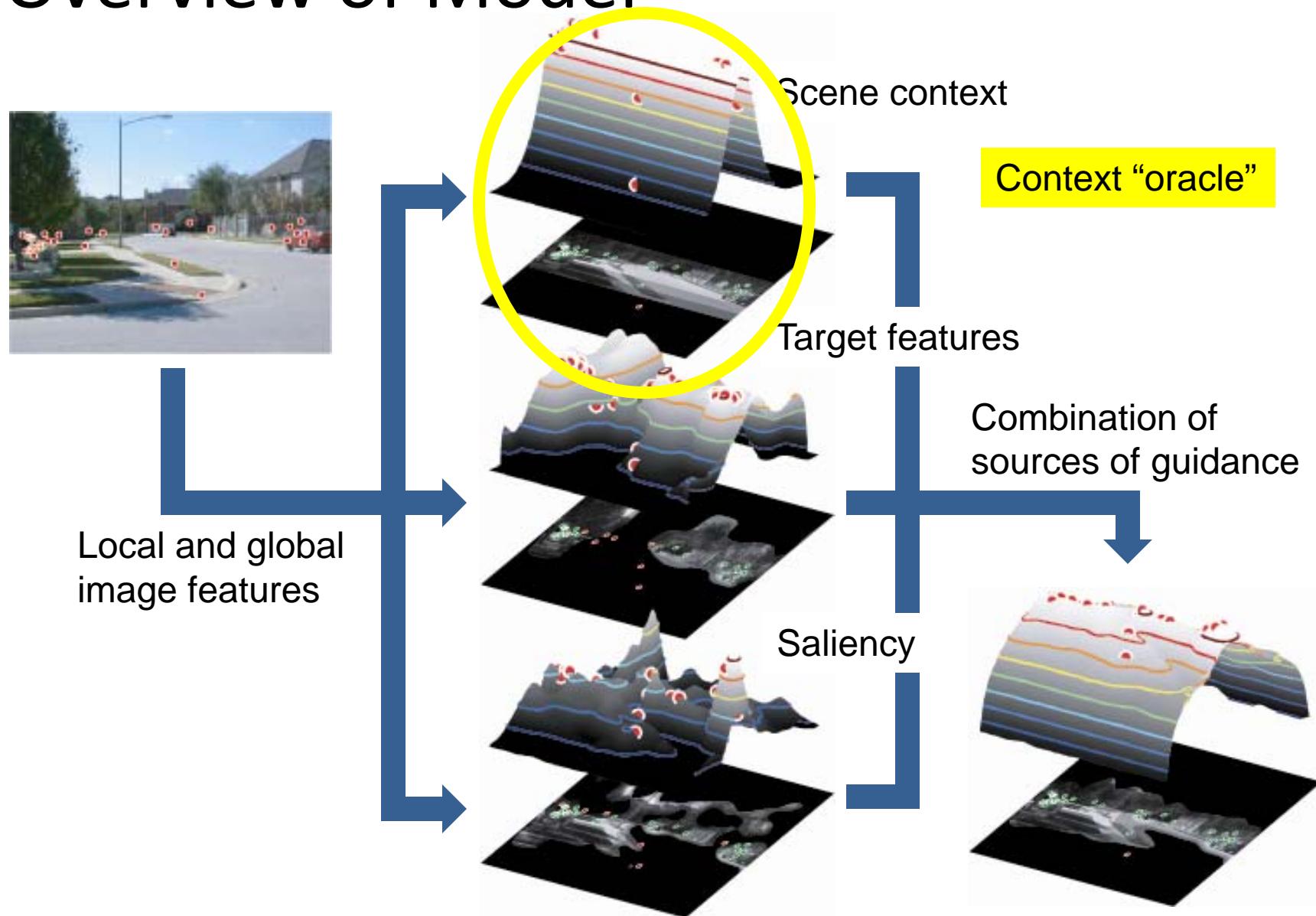
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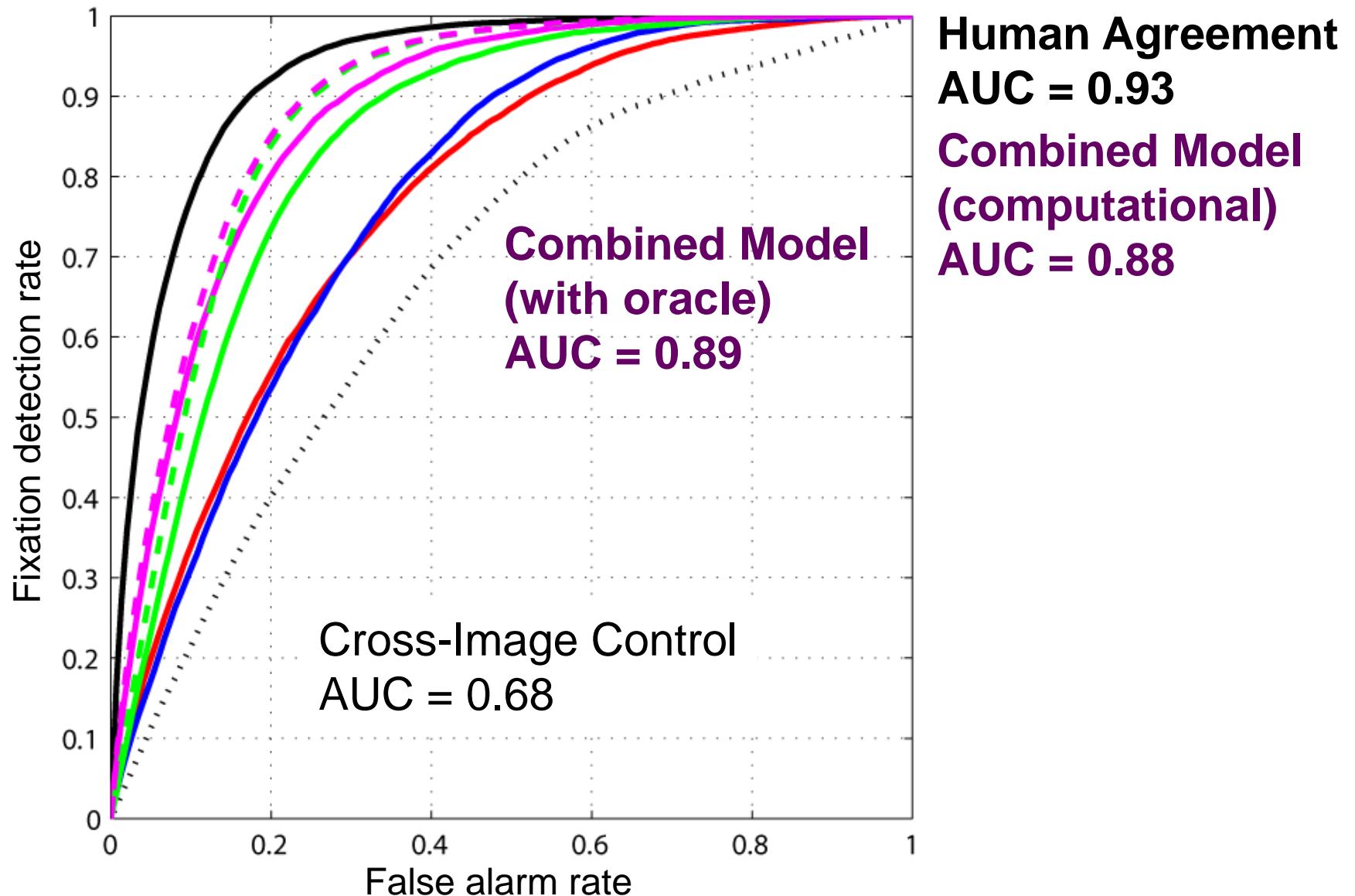
Context Oracle



Overview of Model



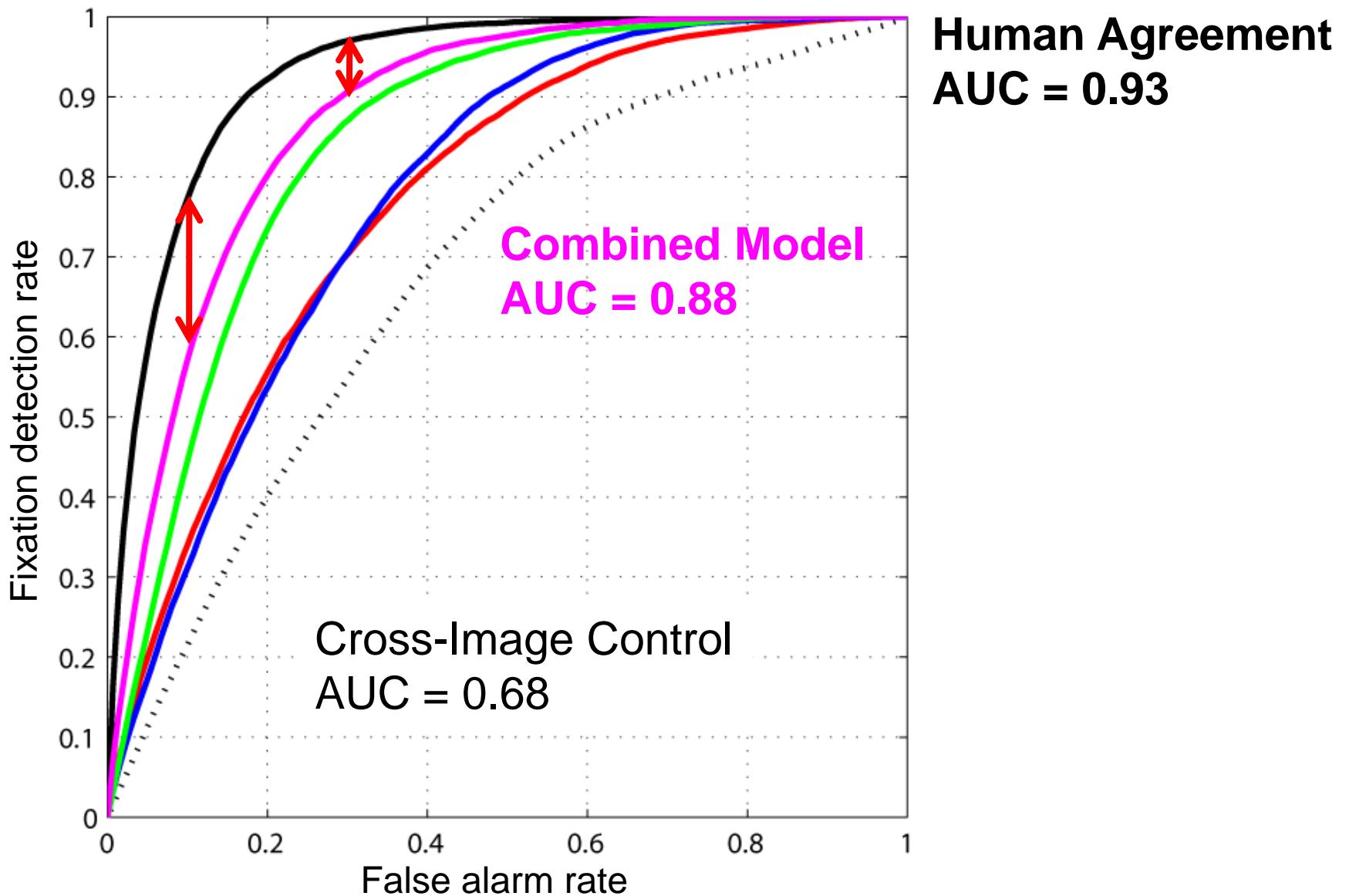
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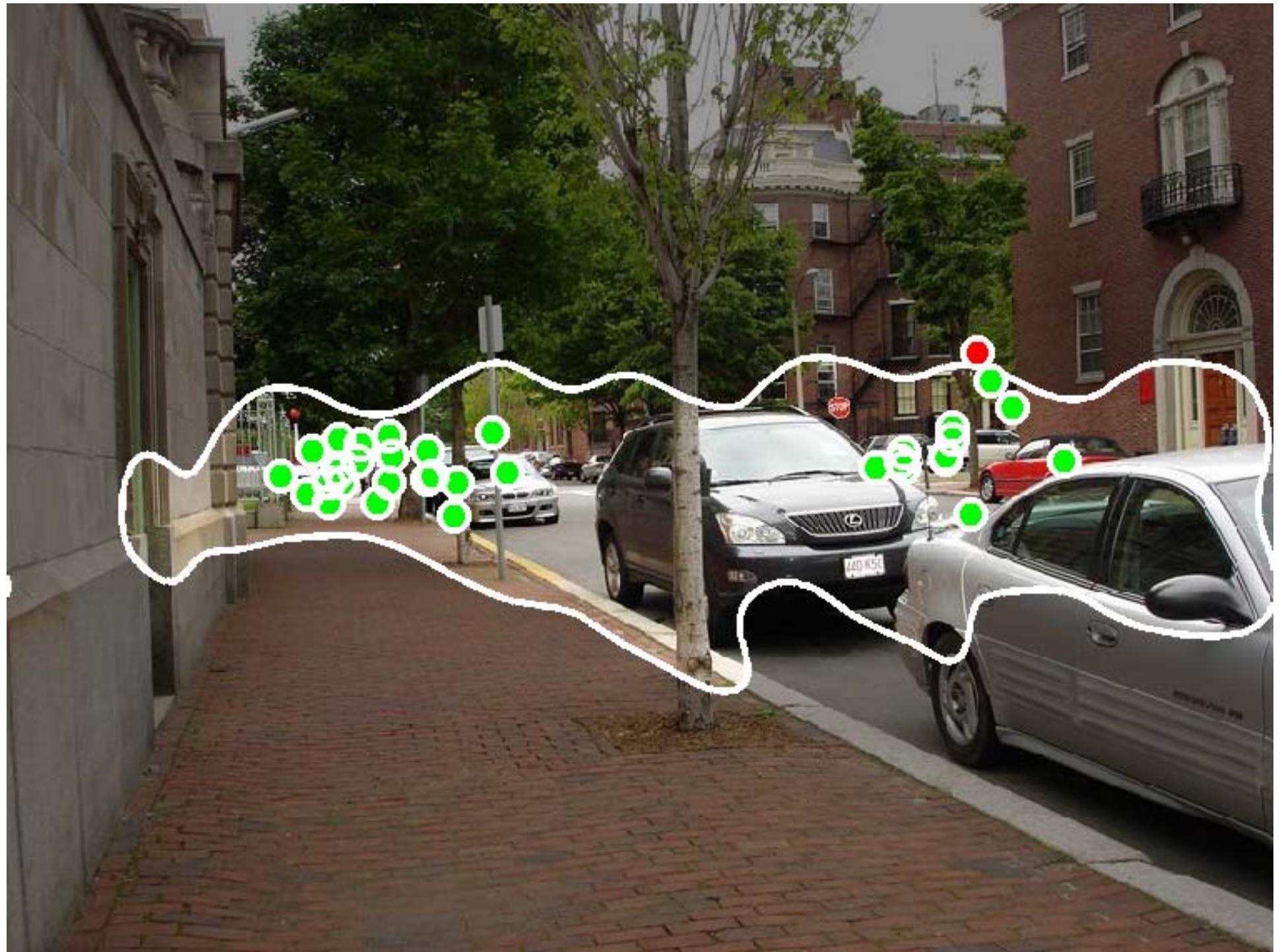
Summary of results

- Combined model accounts for 94% of human agreement in search fixations
- Context predicts human fixations better than saliency or target features in this search task
- How to get that last 6?
 - Context “oracle”?
 - Improves performance to 95% of human agreement
 - Something else?

What's next?









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