



EdgeMask: An Edge-based Privacy Preserving Service for Video Data Sharing

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Research problem

- ADAS, SLAM, and smart cities required image or video data from public places
- These data may contain sensitive personal identifying data
- Any using or sharing these raw datasets can have legal implications



Edge Mask: Goals and objectives

❑ Privacy protection of individuals in video data

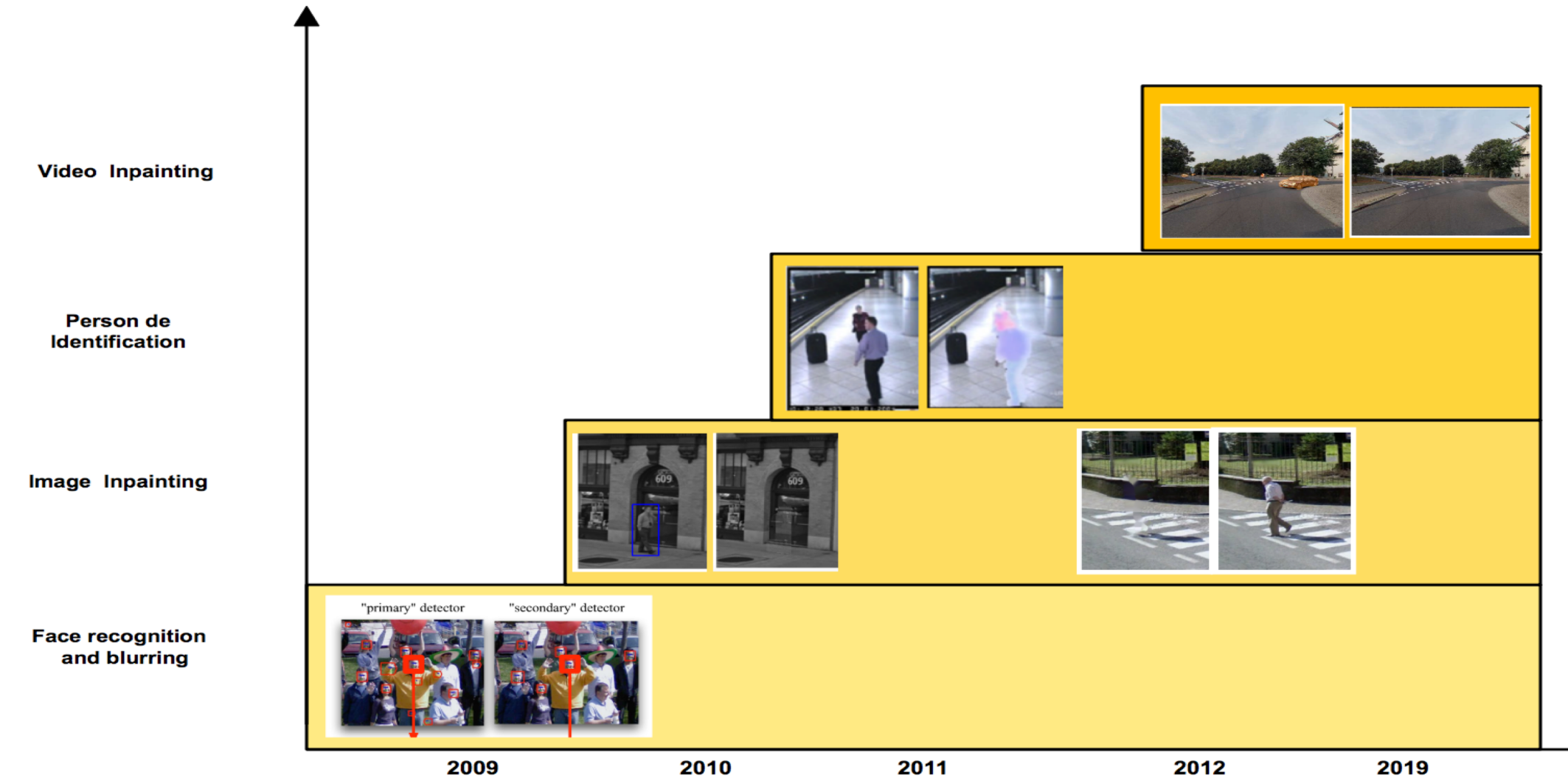
- Blurring sensitive information



- Undesired object removal

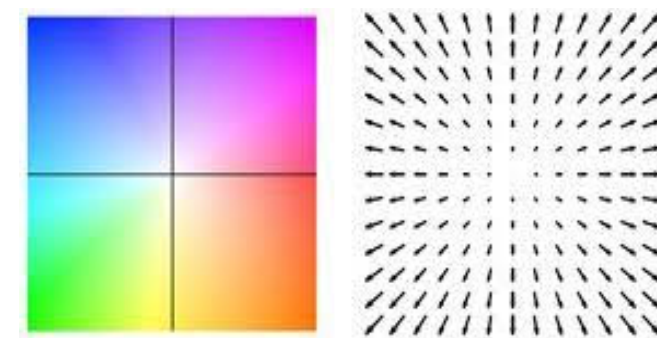


Related works



Background

What is optical flow?

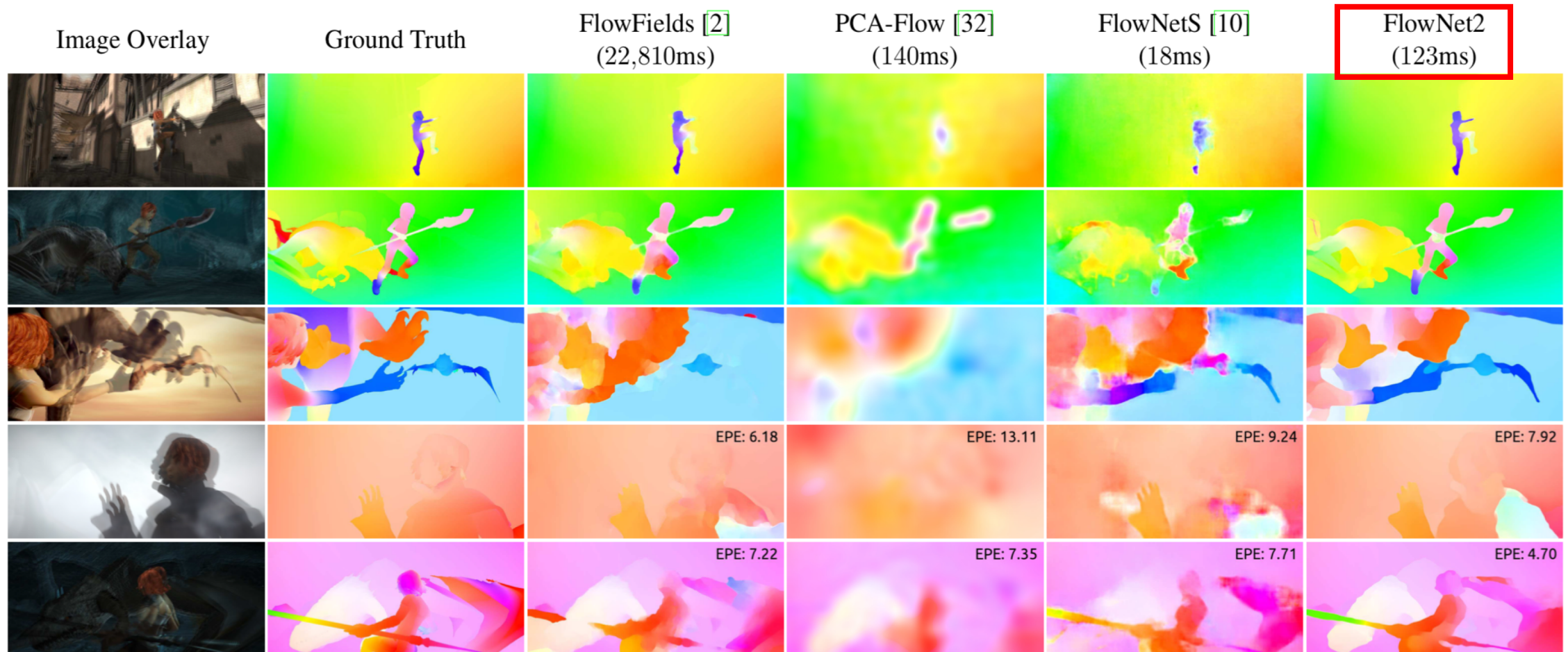


- **2-Dimensional Map**
- **Color : Direction**
- **Saturation: Magnitude**



Flying chair dataset

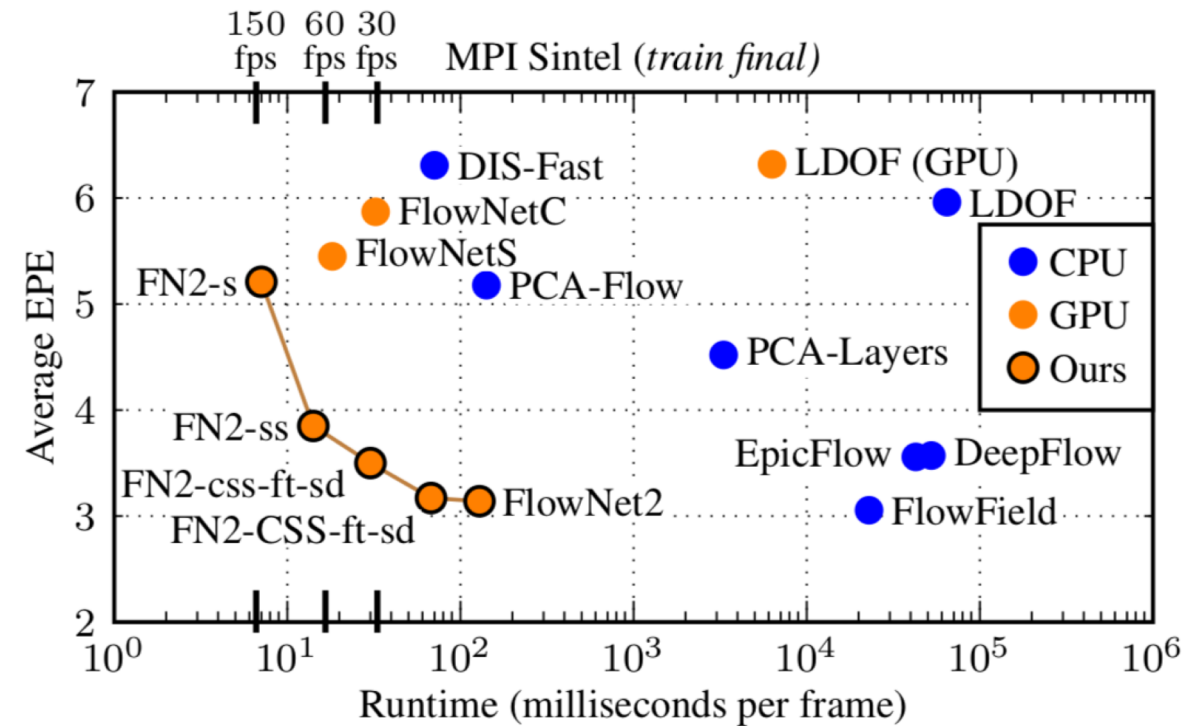
Background



Ilg et al. FlowNet 2.0: Evolution of Optical Flow Estimation with Deep Networks, CVPR 2018

Background

	Number of Networks			
	1	2	3	4
Architecture	s	ss	sss	
Runtime	7ms	14ms	20ms	—
EPE	4.55	3.22	3.12	
Architecture	S	SS		
Runtime	18ms	37ms	—	—
EPE	3.79	2.56		
Architecture	c	cs	css	csss
Runtime	17ms	24ms	31ms	36ms
EPE	3.62	2.65	2.51	2.49
Architecture	C	CS	CSS	
Runtime	33ms	51ms	69ms	—
EPE	3.04	2.20	2.10	



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Contributions

❑ System Level

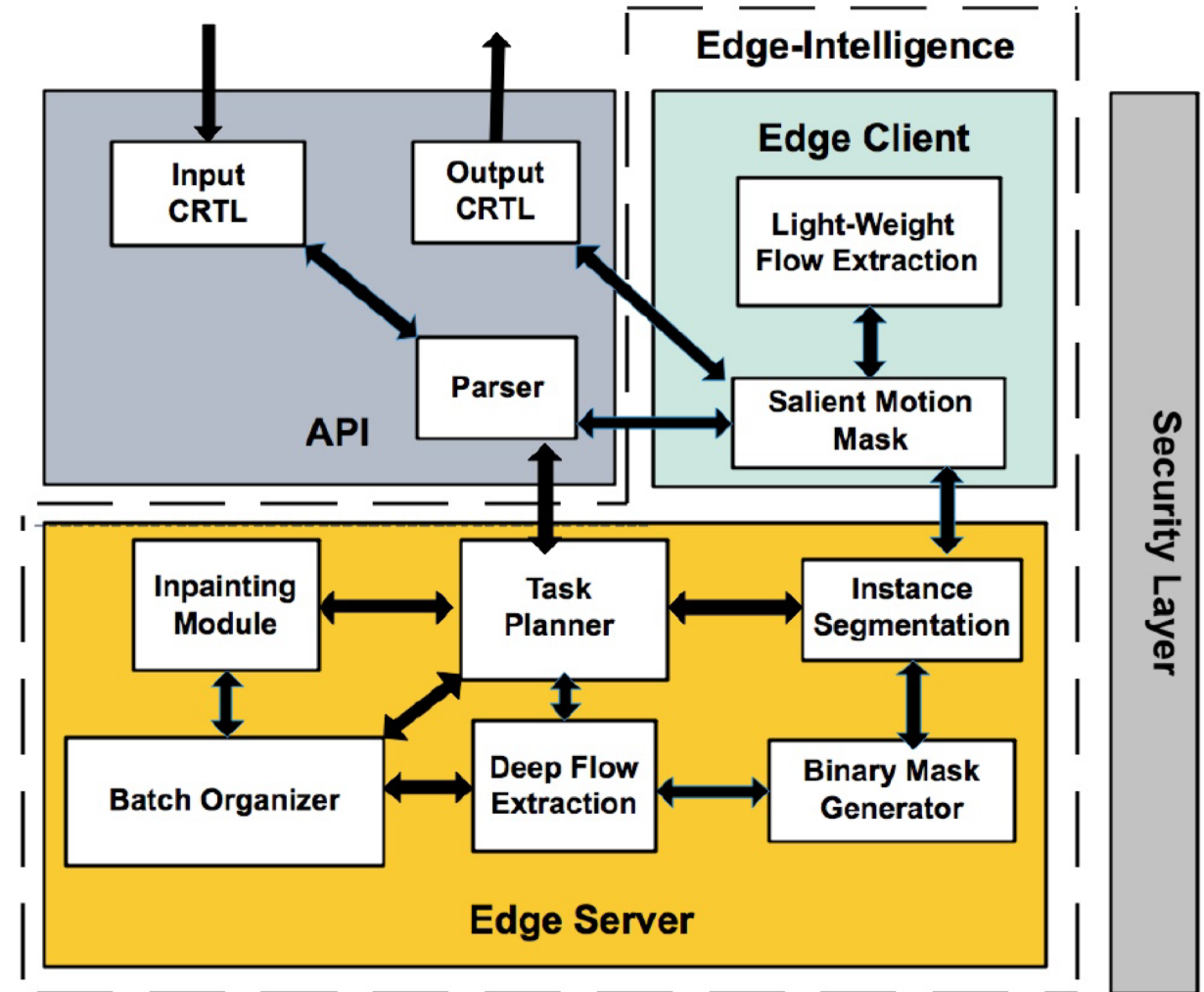
- The **first** approach that leverages both object blurring and removal technique
- An edge-based real-time privacy preserving framework
- Object segmentation without requiring complex network architectures

❑ Algorithm Level

- Tracking camera velocity and direction based on optical flow for static object segmentation
- Generating object mask for video inpainting based on optical flow and Mask R-CNN

High-Level Architecture

- ❑ Edge-Intelligence
- ❑ Application Programming Interface
- ❑ Security Layer



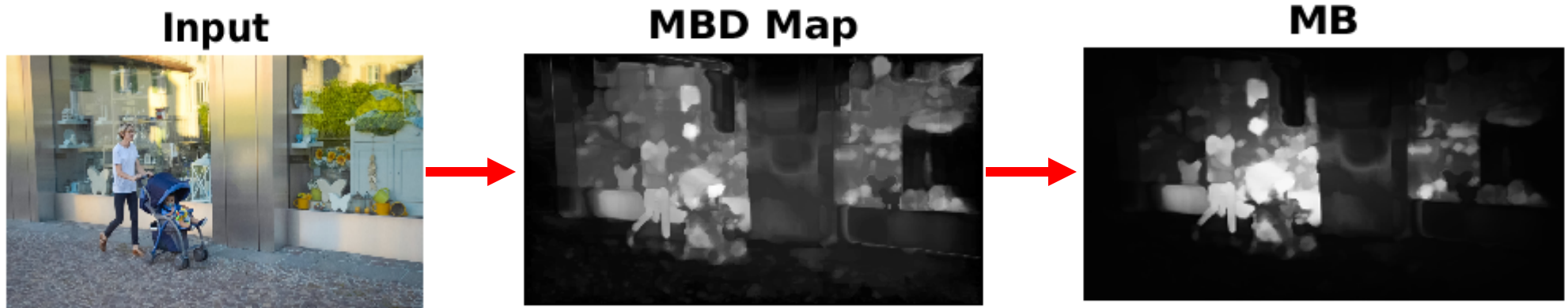
Algorithm Design

<p>Dynamic object segmentation and blurring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FlowNet2.0 • MBD 	<p>Static object segmentation and blurring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mask R-CNN • MBD
<p>Congested scene analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FlowNet2.0 • MBD 	<p>Video inpainting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mask R-CNN • MBD • FlowNet2.0 • Deep Flow Guided video inpainting

Dynamic Object Segmentation

“Zhang et al. Minimum Barrier Salient Object Detection at 80 FPS”

- Original image



- Optical flow



Dynamic Object Segmentation

$$S_i^t(F^t) = \sum_{\forall F_j^t \in F_t} d(F_i^t, F_j^t)$$

“d” stands for Minimum Barrier Distance (MBD) Transform

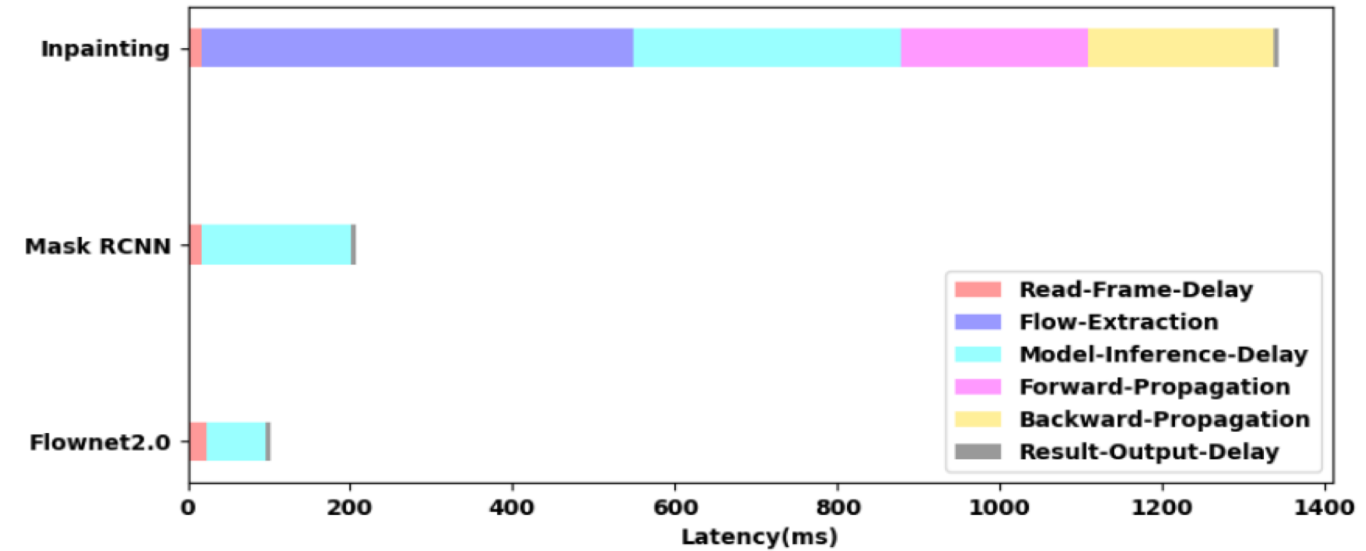
$$\beta_{\mathcal{I}}(\pi) = \max_{i=0}^k \mathcal{I}(\pi(i)) - \min_{i=0}^k \mathcal{I}(\pi(i)).$$

Static Object Segmentation

1- Find the static background region

$$M_b = \overline{\{M_1, \dots, M_k\}}$$

$$M_o = \overline{M_b} \& MBD$$



$$\text{The background region} = \overline{M_o}$$

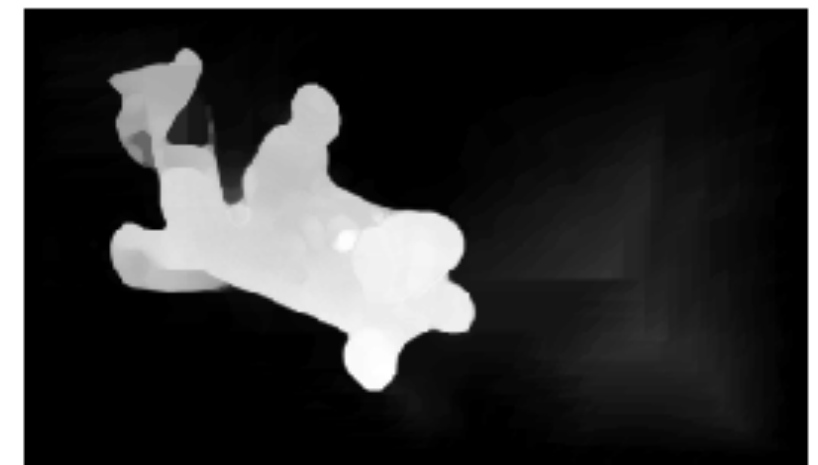
2- Move the static object masks generated by Mask R-CNN based on the background velocity and direction.

Video Inpainting

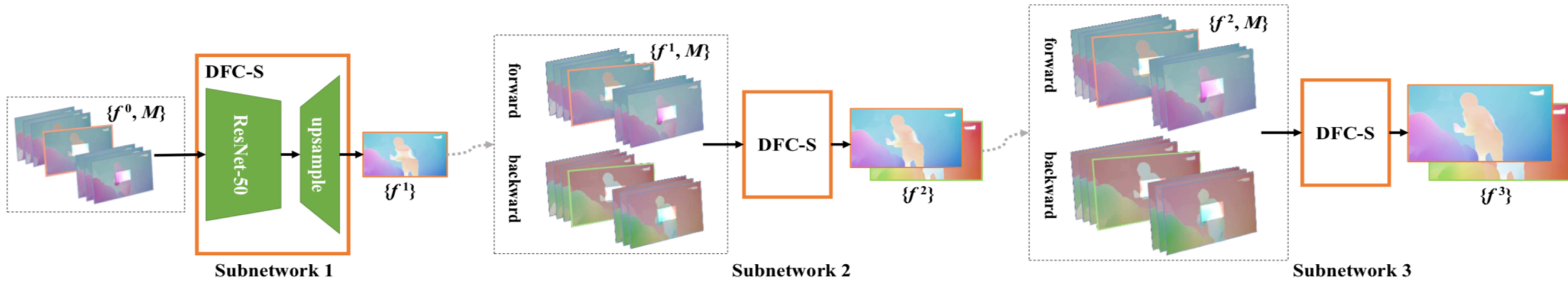
- ❑ Video inpainting is performed in offline mode
- ❑ The required inputs are:
 - Video Frames
 - Object Masks
 - Generated by Mask RCNN and “MBD”
 - Objects’ Optical flows
 - Generated by FlowNet2.0



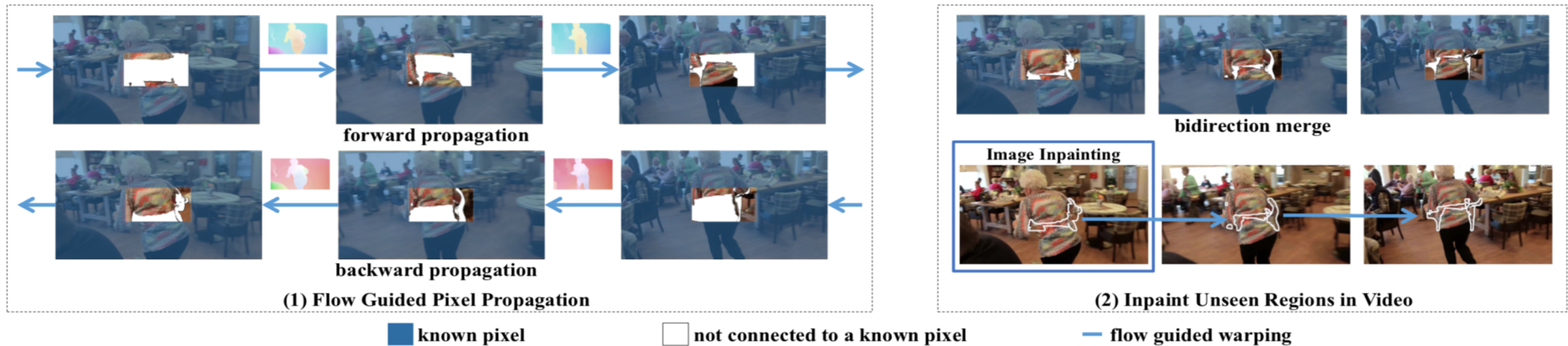
MBD Map



Video Inpainting



(a) Deep Flow Completion Network (DFC-Net)



Xu et al. Deep Flow-Guided Video Inpainting, CVPR 2019

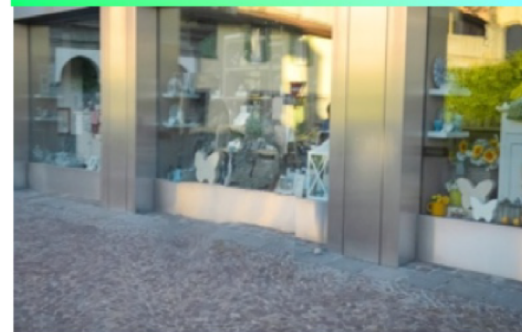
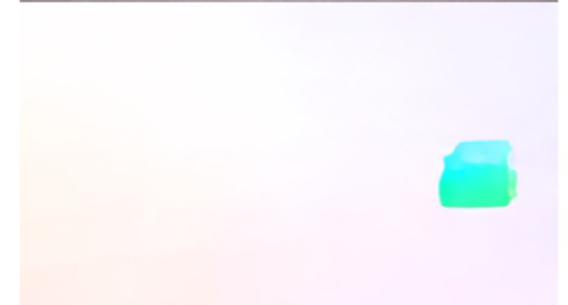
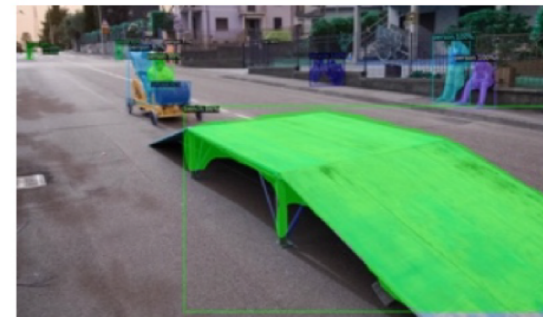
Video Inpainting

❑ Object recognition for parallel video inpainting

- Object label
- Color histogram
- Object direction



Video Inpainting



Experiment Setup

❑ Dataset

DAVIS 2016

❑ Hardware setup

Hardware	Model	Memory
GPU	NVIDIA GeForce GTX 1060	3G
VPU	Intel Neural Compute Stick 2	-

❑ Model setup

Model	Parameter	Value
Mask RCNN	Backbone	ResNet101
	Pretrained Weights	COCO Dataset
Inpainting	Backbone	ResNet101
	Flow Extraction	FlowNet2
	Propagation	Bidirectional
	Kernel Enlarged	50 or 70
Flownet2.0	Mask Enlarged	YES
	Backbone	ResNet101
	Model	FlowNet2.0

Evaluation

❑ The quality evaluation

Approach	Kernel 70	Kernel 50
Xu et al. [17]	27.838	28.011
EdgeMask	27.851	28.026

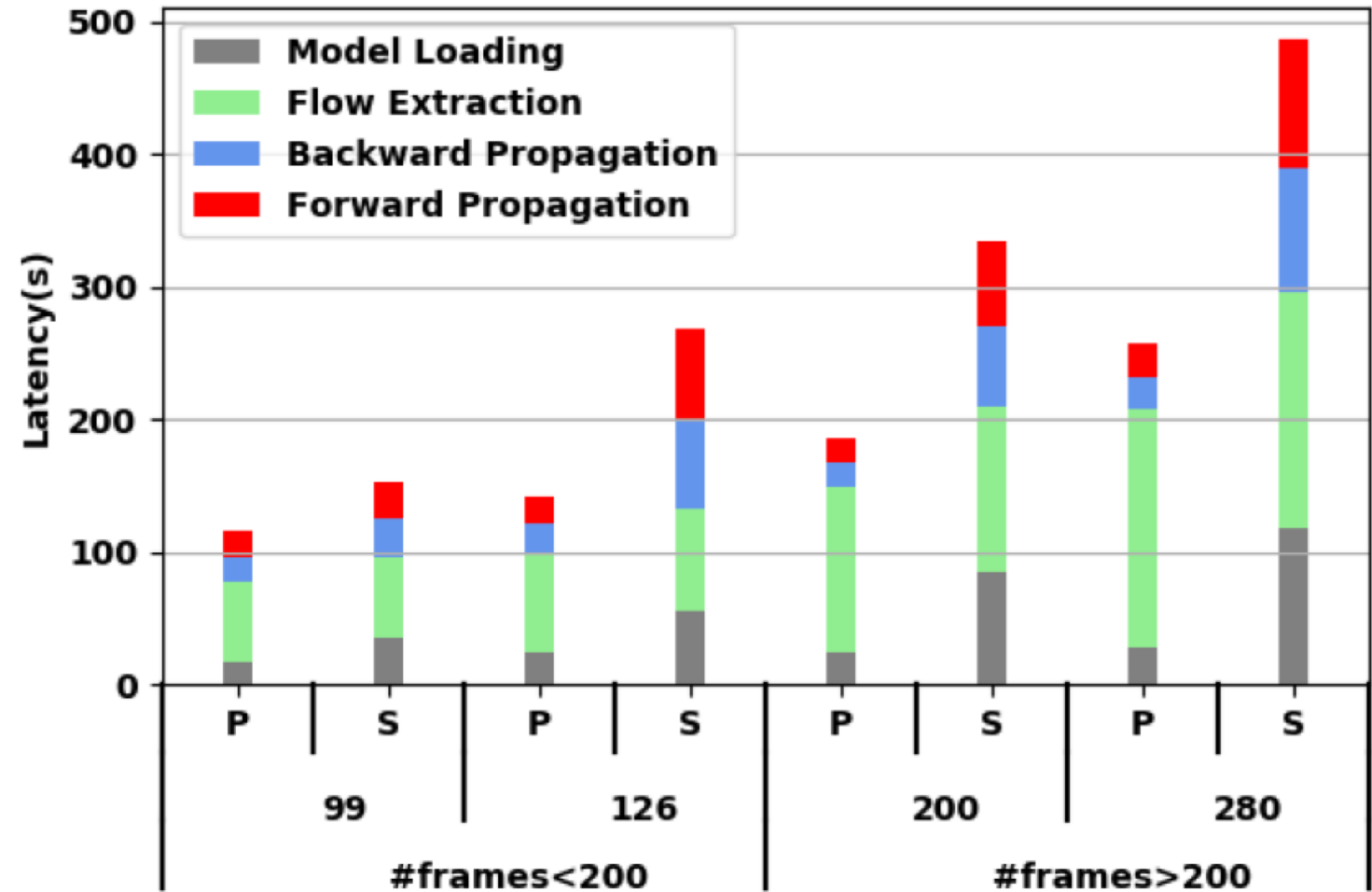
❑ The computational time based on a single frame

Approach	Object blurring	Object removal
Frome et al. [6]	10.1s	-
Flores et al. [5]	-	31.6s
Agrawal et al. [3]	12s	-
Nodari et al. [12]	-	21.4s
EdgeMask	80ms	1.16s

Evaluation

□ Efficiency

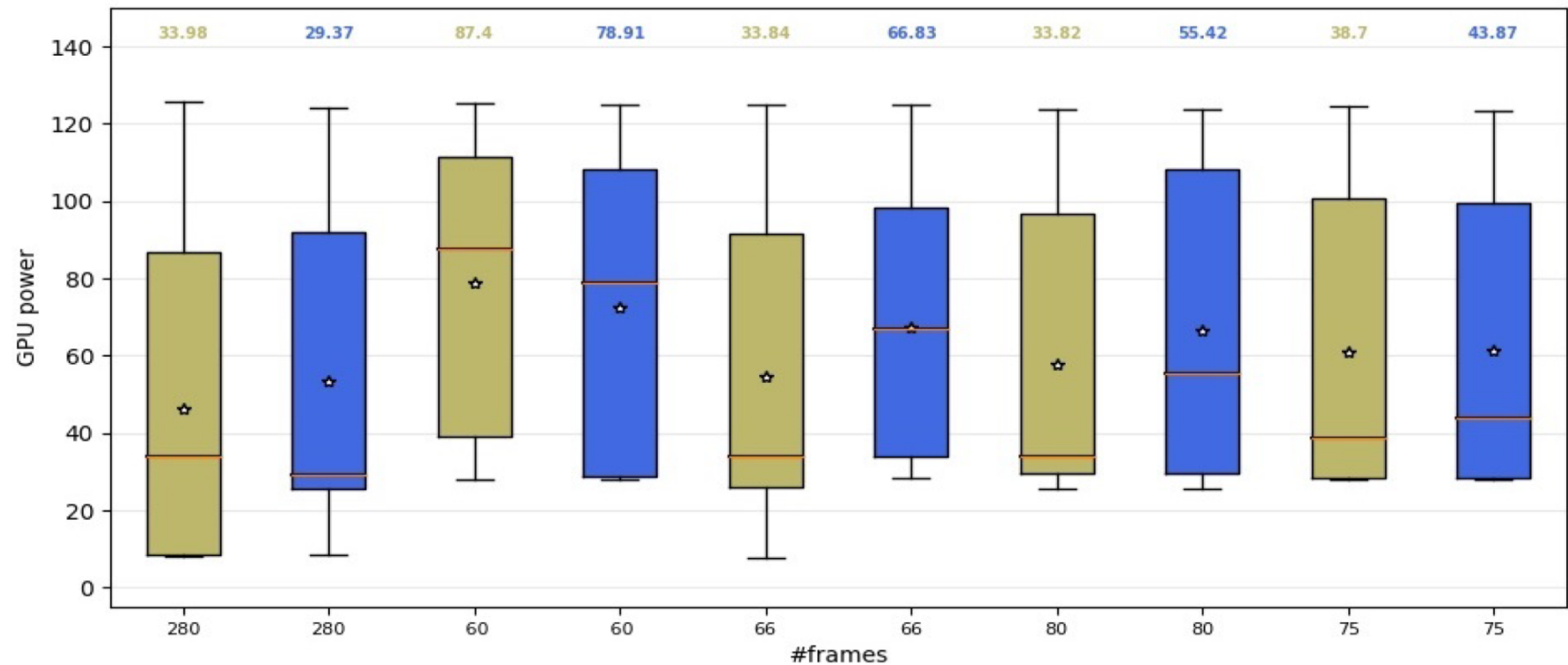
- P stands for parallel
- S stands for serial



Evaluation

GPU power

The GPU power for parallel and serial computing units (#frames == 280)



Discussion & Future work

- ❑ Neural network pruning for video inpainting algorithm
- ❑ Evaluate in more realistic scenarios
- ❑ Generality of EdgeMask

EdgeMask workflow can generalize to many other identification tasks



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