



False Alarm Reduction for Active Sonars using Deep Learning Architectures

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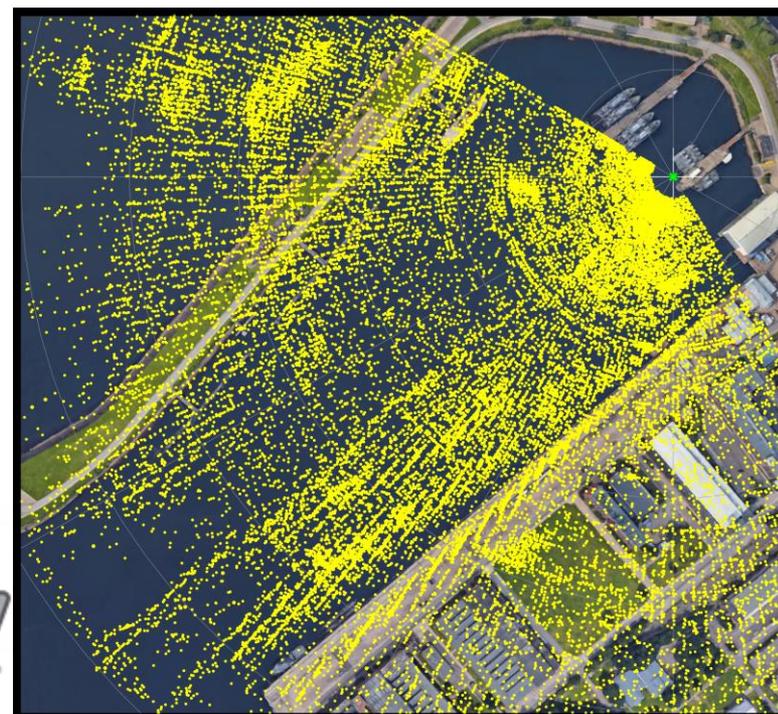
Motivation

- The false alarm rate (FAR) represents a crucial aspect in all active sonar applications.
- Every contact is represented in the detection display.
- Under different circumstances it results in an enormous number of false contacts.

→ Tracking algorithms might be unable to deal with the large number of contacts.

→ An operator is not able to identify true target contacts.

**Aim: Reduce number of false contacts
without losing target contacts.**



Application

- The False Alarm Reduction is investigated for Active Diver Detection Sonar Data.
- Several Datasets recorded with a Cerberus DDS are provided by the WTD 71.
- Raw Data is processed with experimental active signal processing in MATLAB.
- All results are based on the transmission of Frequency Modulated (FM) Pulses.

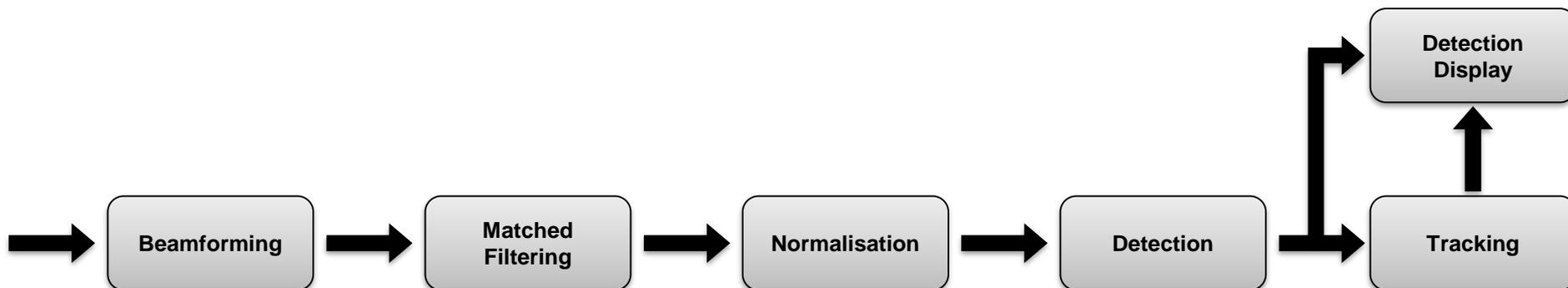


Cerberus Diver Detection Sonars (left Mod1, right Mod2)

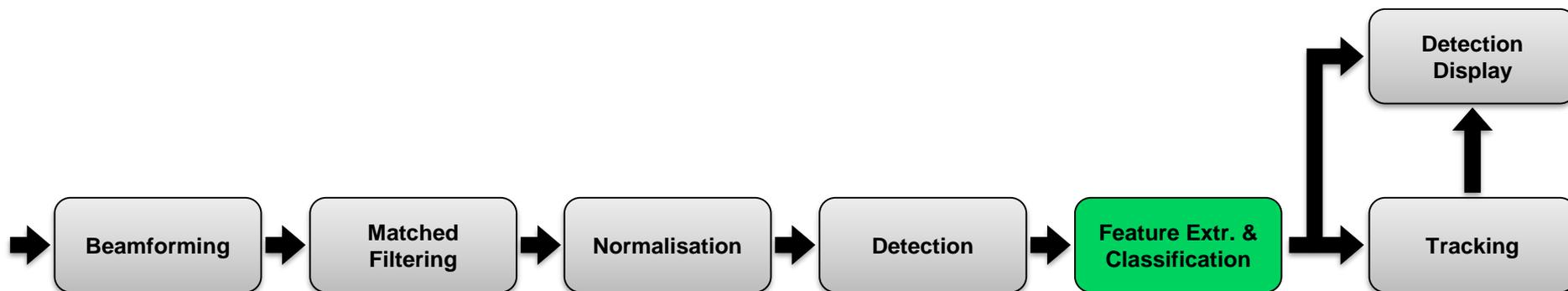
PROPOSED SOLUTION FOR FALSE ALARM REDUCTION

Modification of the Signal Processing

- Standard Active Signal Processing Chain:



- Modified Active Signal Processing Chain for False Alarm Reduction:



FEATURE EXTRACTION AND CLASSIFICATION

Feature Extraction and Classification

- Two different machine learning techniques are considered:

1. Classical Machine Learning:

→ Machine Learning based on hand-crafted extracted features.

2. Convolutional Neural Networks:

→ Machine Learning techniques that automatically extract features for input signals/images. No feature engineering required.

Classification with Feed Forward Neural Network (FNN)

Inputs:

Feature Vector for Contact n :

$$\mathbf{x}_n \in \mathbb{R}^{53 \times 1}$$

One Hidden Layer:

20 Neurons

Activation: hyperbolic tangent

Output Layer:

Binary Classification

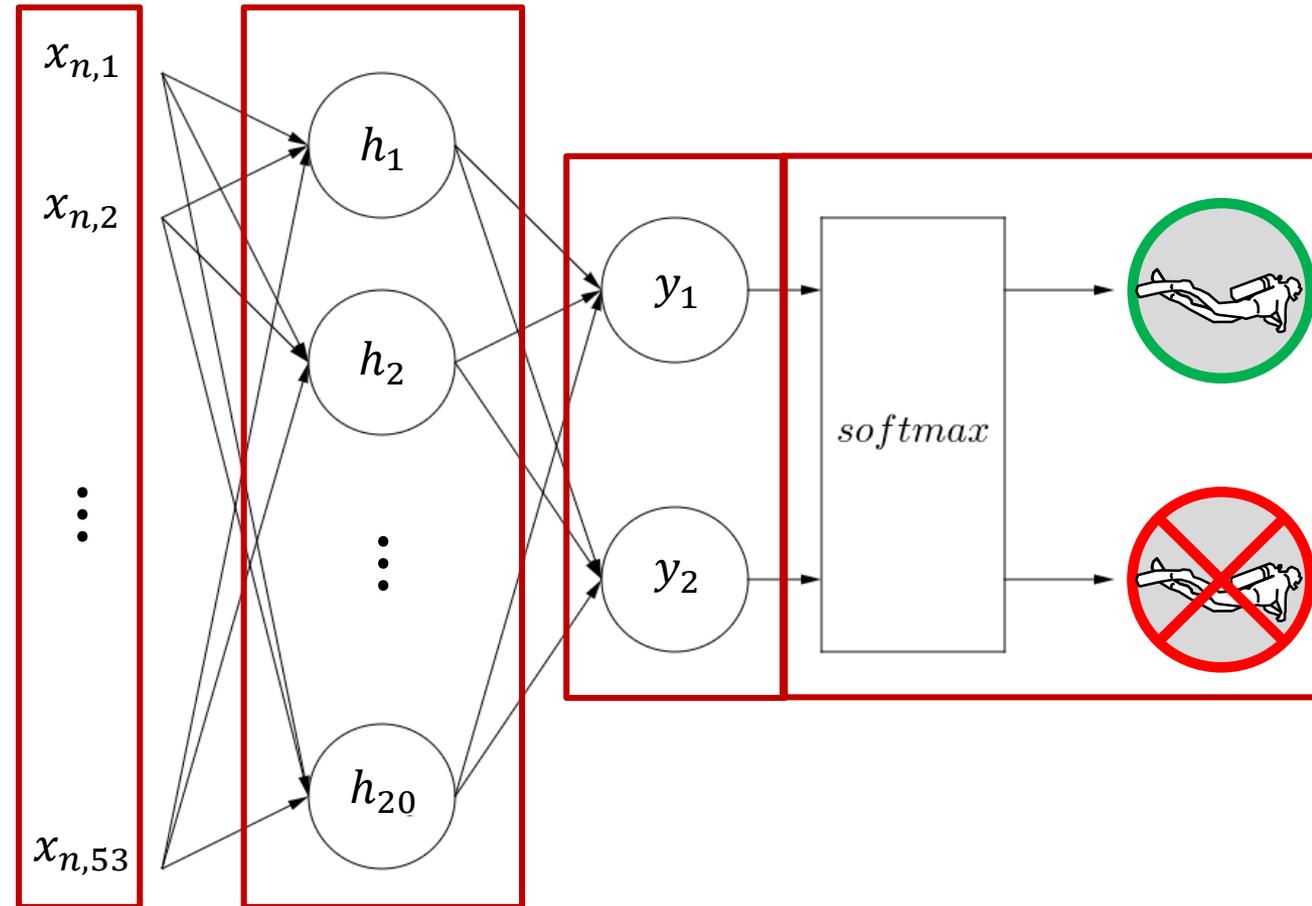
→ 2 Neurons

Softmax Function:

Probability for belonging to class

→ Diver Contact

→ False Alarm



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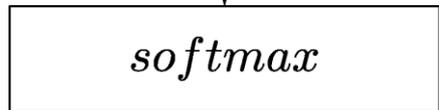
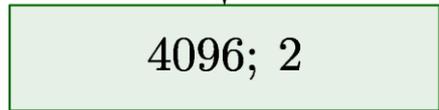
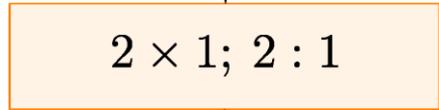
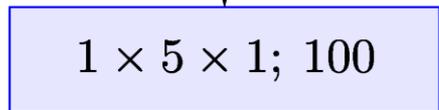
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2. Pre-trained deep networks that are originally trained for distinguishing objects in R-G-B images.

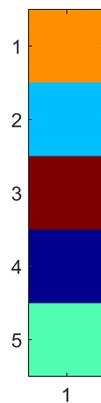
Convolutional Neural Networks Structure of Shallow CNN trained from scratch



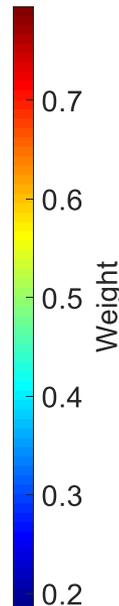
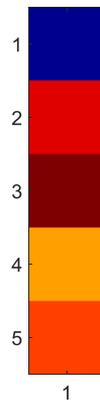
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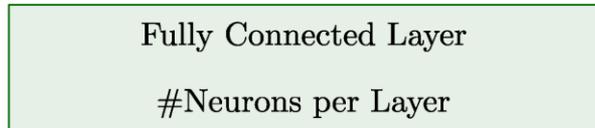
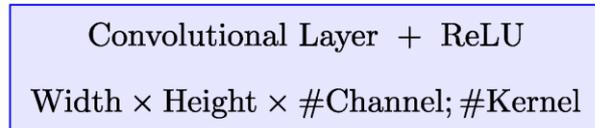
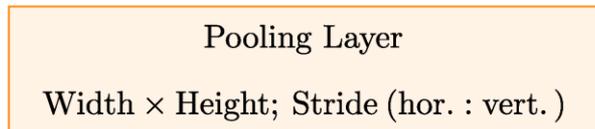
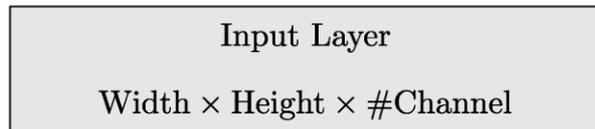
Kernel 2



Kernel 100

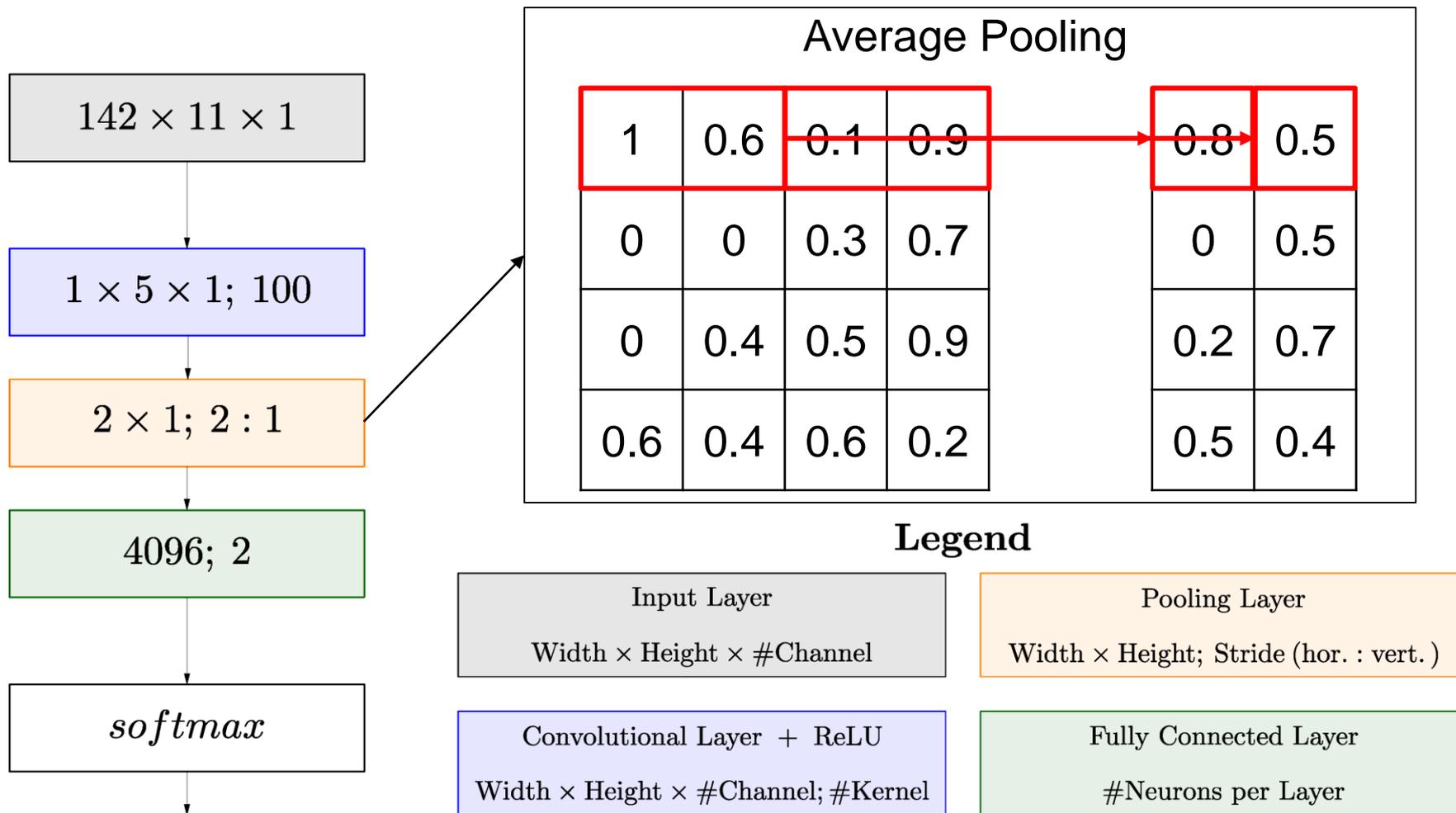


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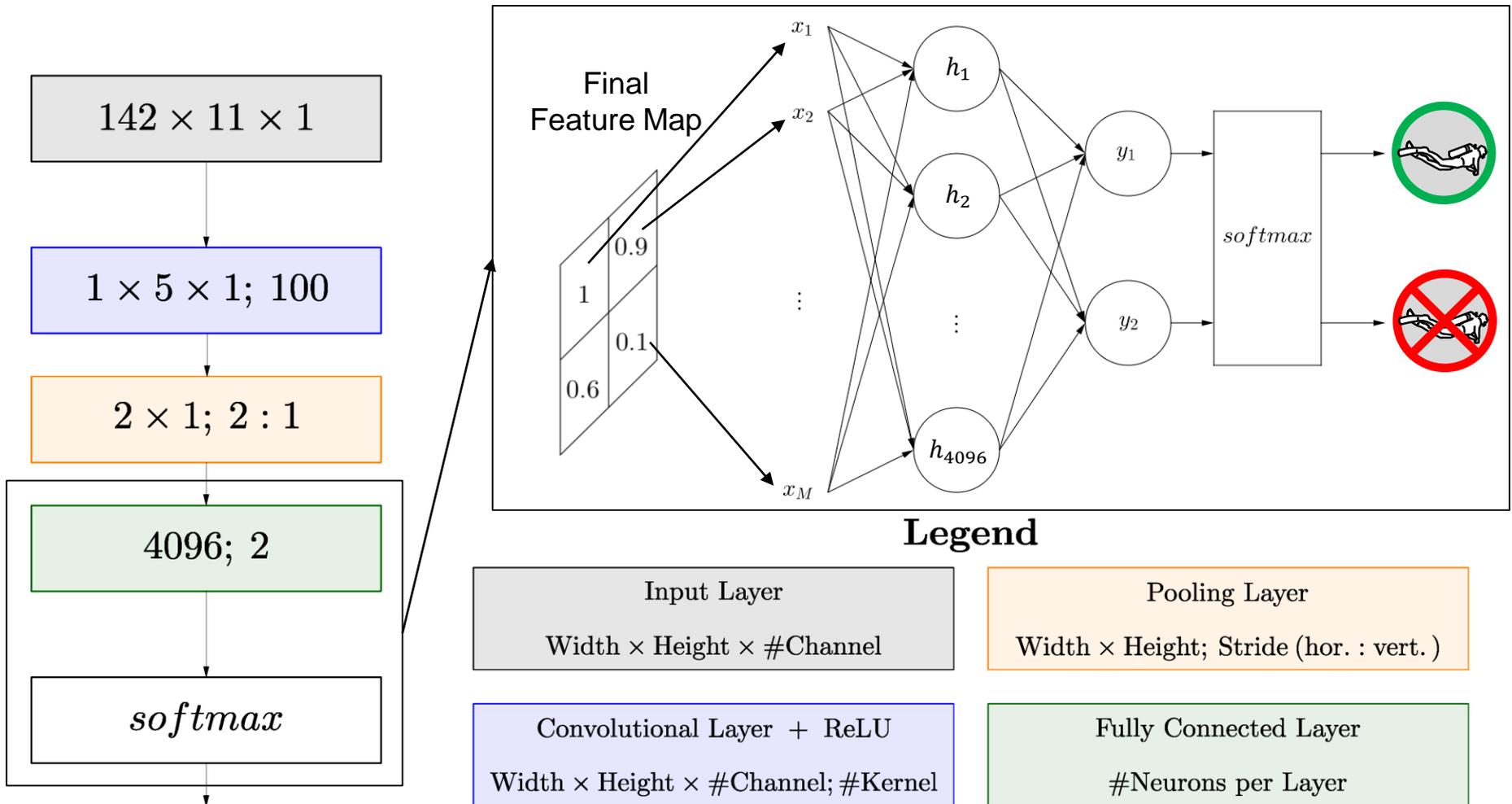
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Transfer Learning of pre-trained Deep Networks

- Many different pre-trained Networks are available in MATLAB / Python / etc.
- These are originally trained for distinguishing 1000 different objects in R-G-B images.
- Nine networks that are firstly introduced in the ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Challenges are considered:
 - AlexNet (5 Convolutional Layers)
 - GoogLeNet (57 Convolutional Layers)
 - Inception v3 (94 Convolutional Layers)
 - ResNet-18, ResNet-50 and ResNet-101 (20, 53 and 104 Convolutional Layers)
 - SqueezeNet (26 Convolutional Layers)
 - VGG-16 and VGG-19 (13 and 16 Convolutional Layers)

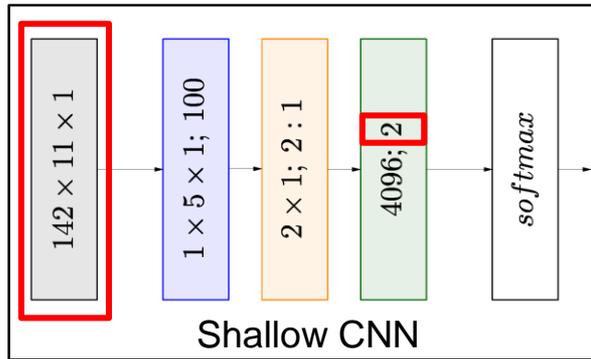


Reference: Krizhevsky, A. et al; ImageNet Classification with Deep Convolutional Neural Networks

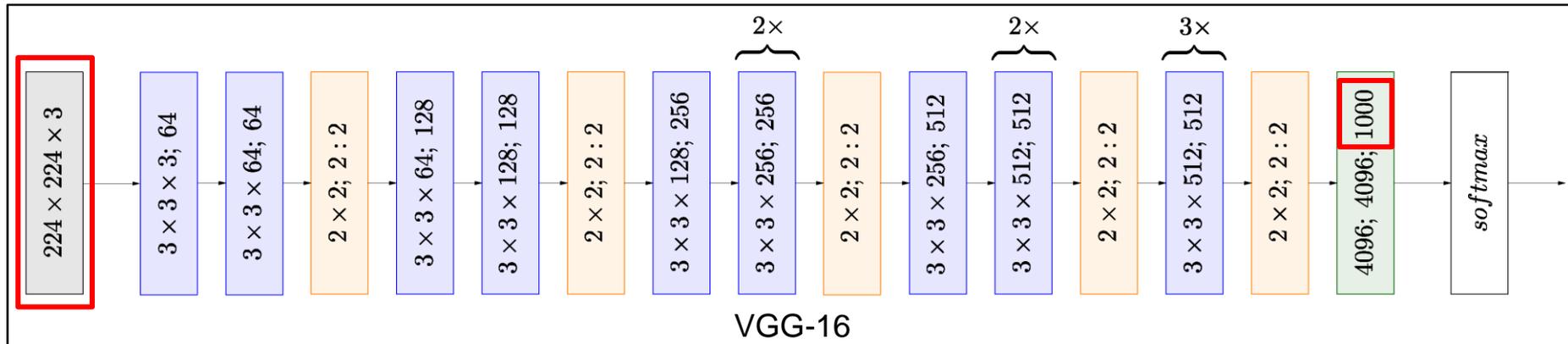
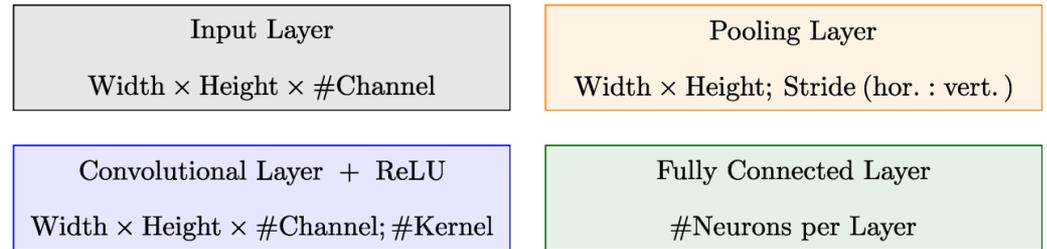
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Transfer Learning of pre-trained Deep Networks

- Comparison of Shallow CNN and VGG-16.



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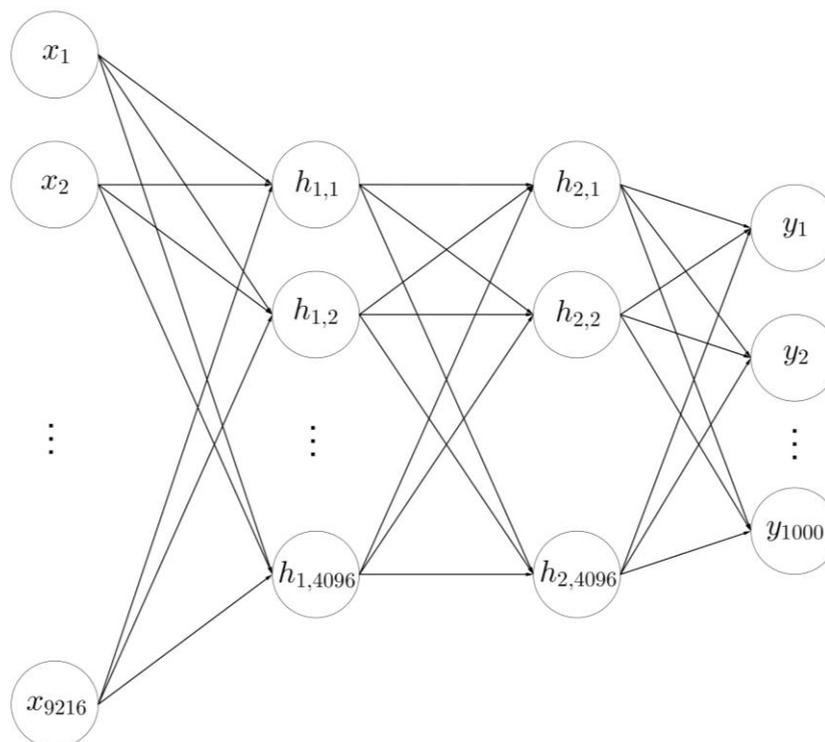
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- Replace Output Layer of Fully Connected Layer.

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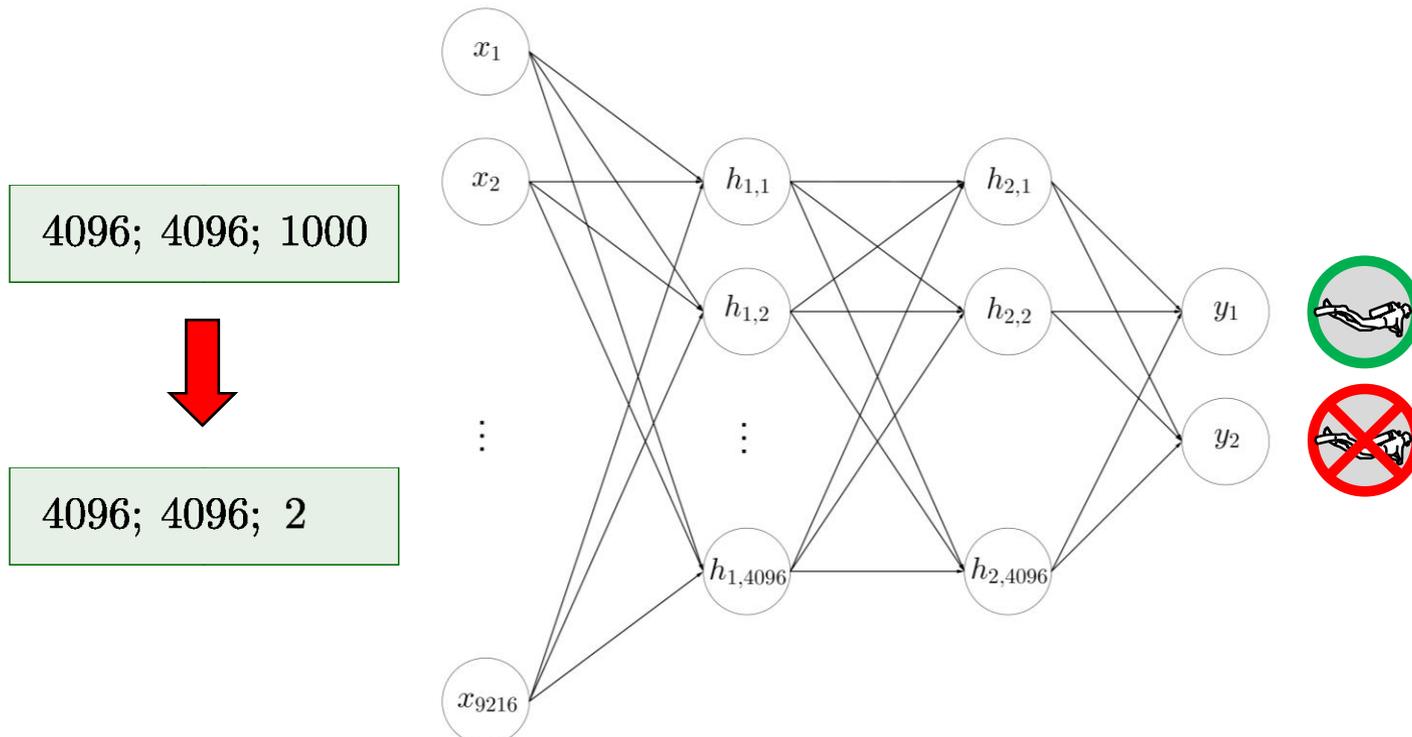


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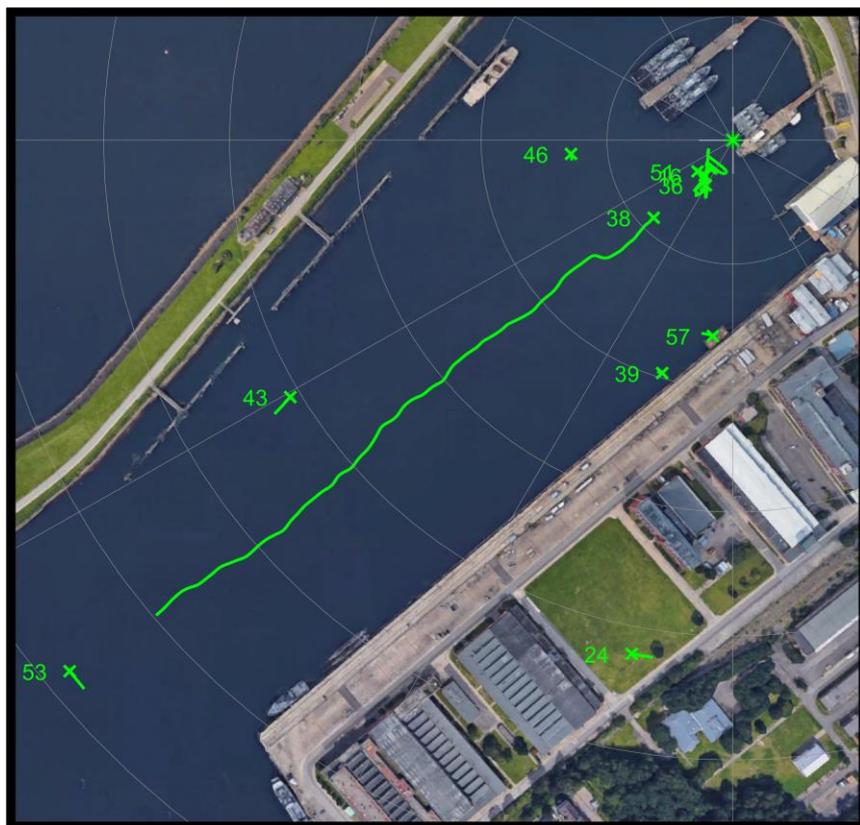
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DATA LABELLING

Data Labelling

- Contacts belonging to Track of the diver are labelled as “Diver Contact”.



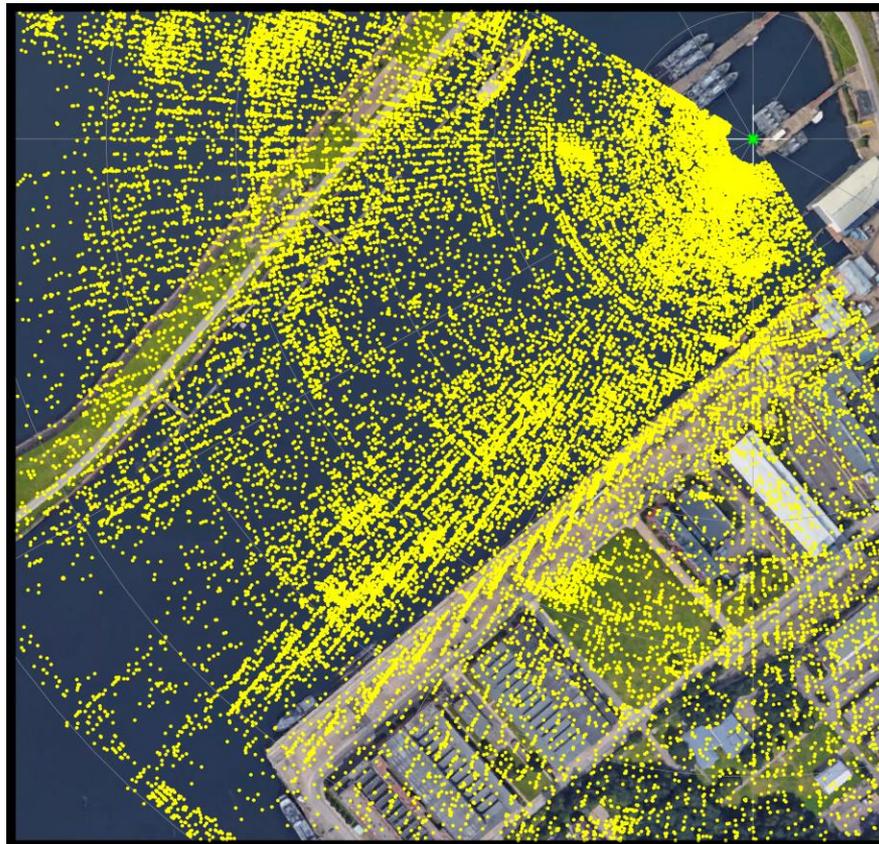
Tracking Results



Positions of Diver Contacts

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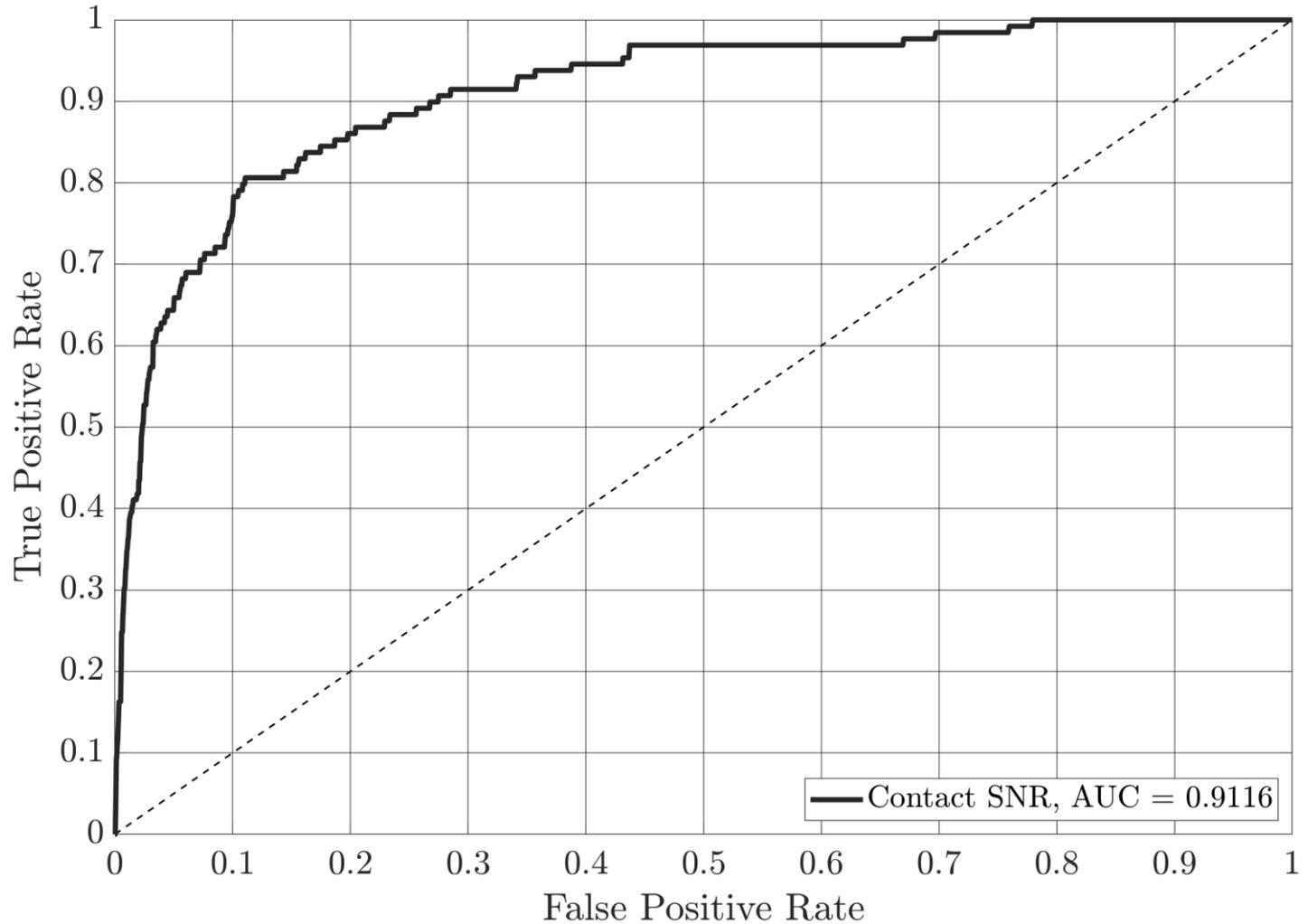
- All remaining contacts are labelled as “False Alarm”.



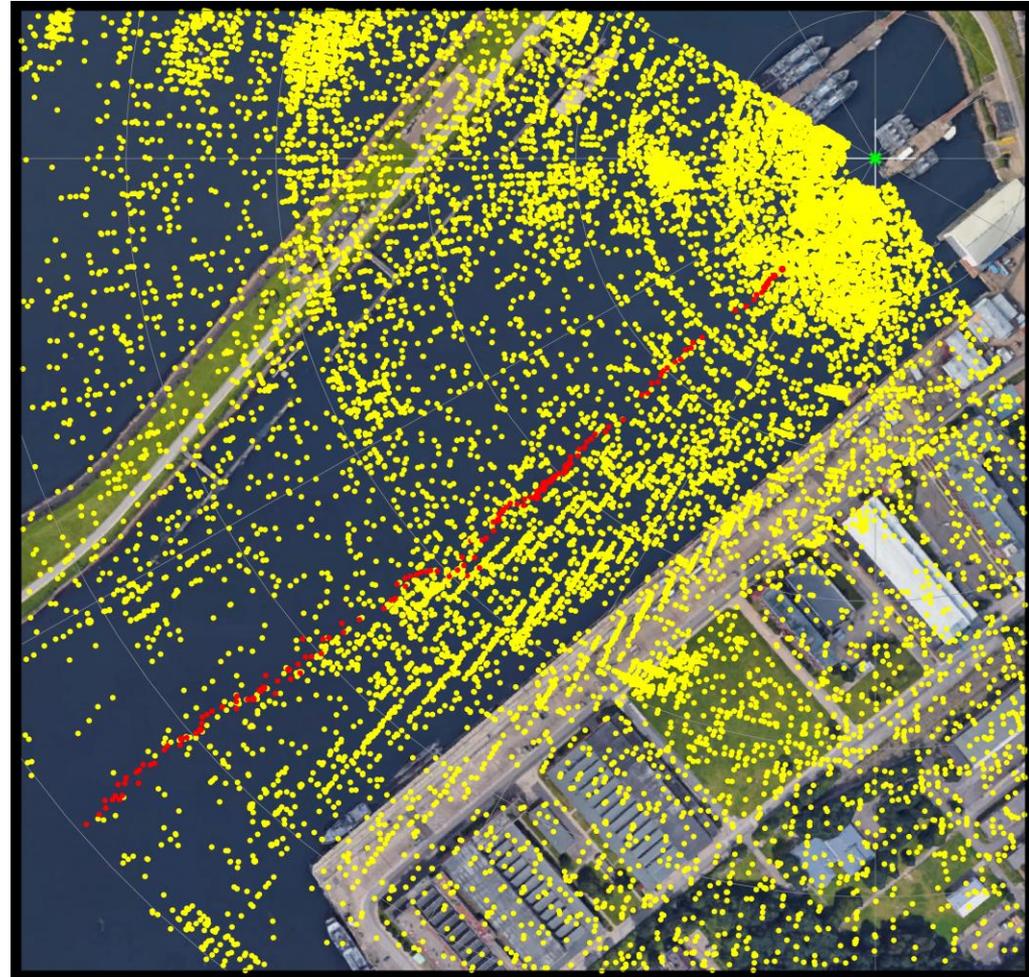
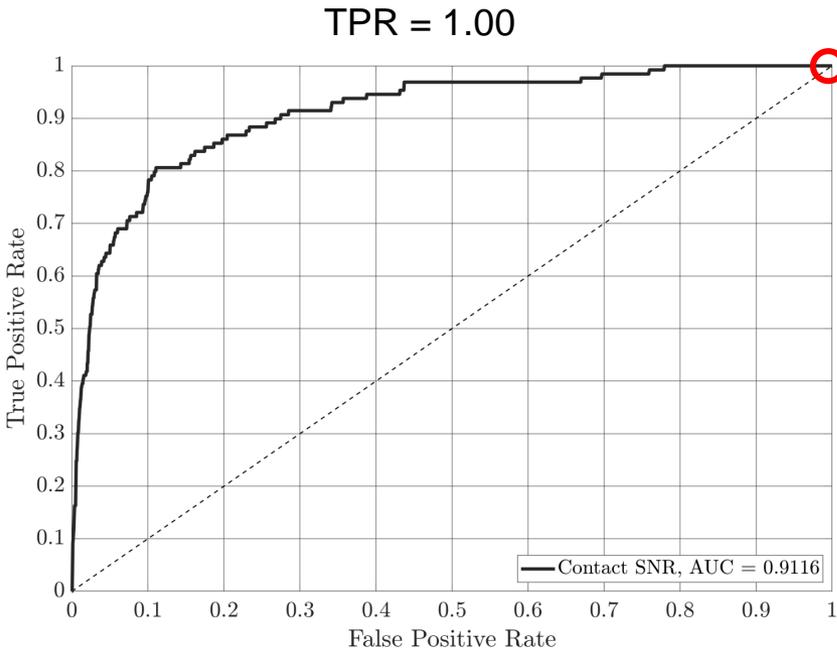
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PERFORMANCE CRITERION

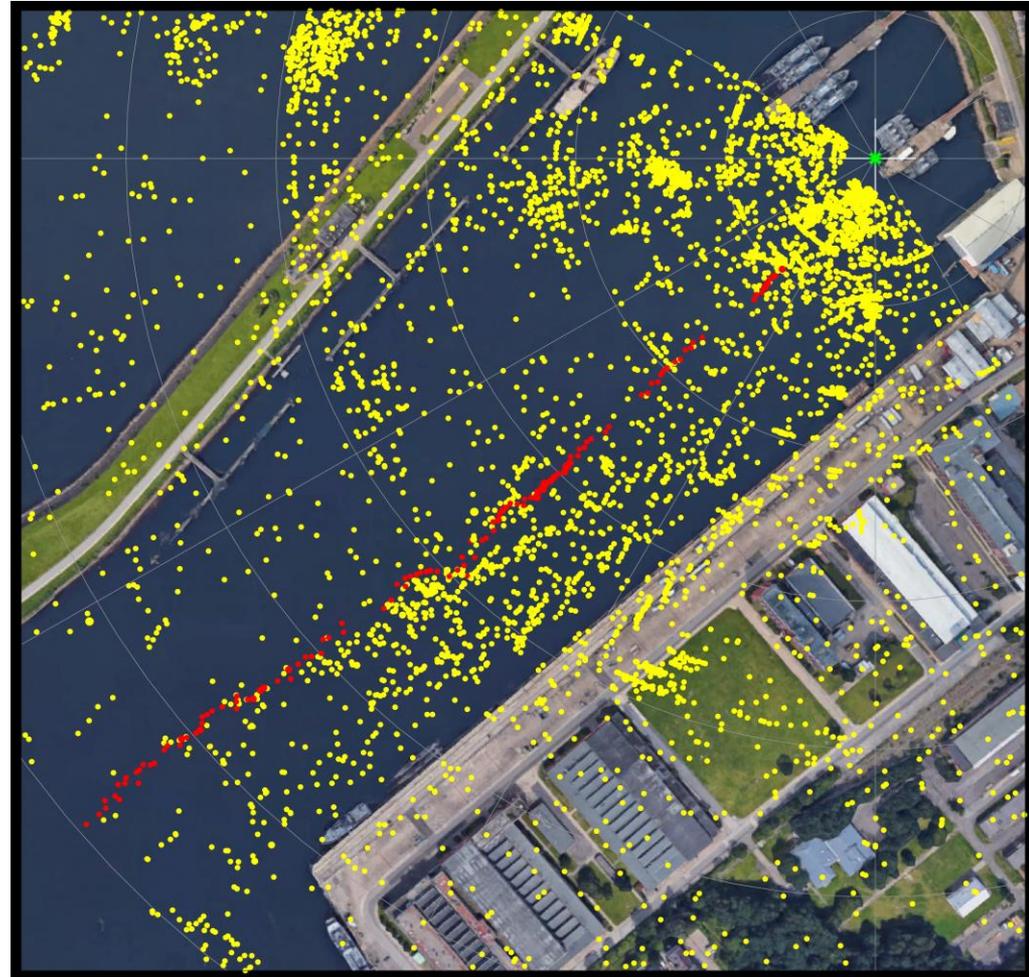
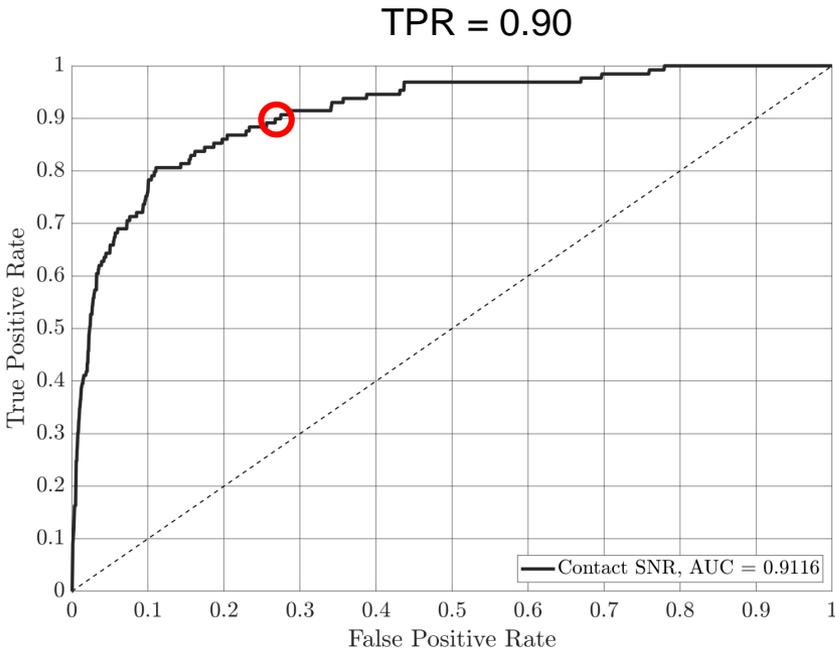
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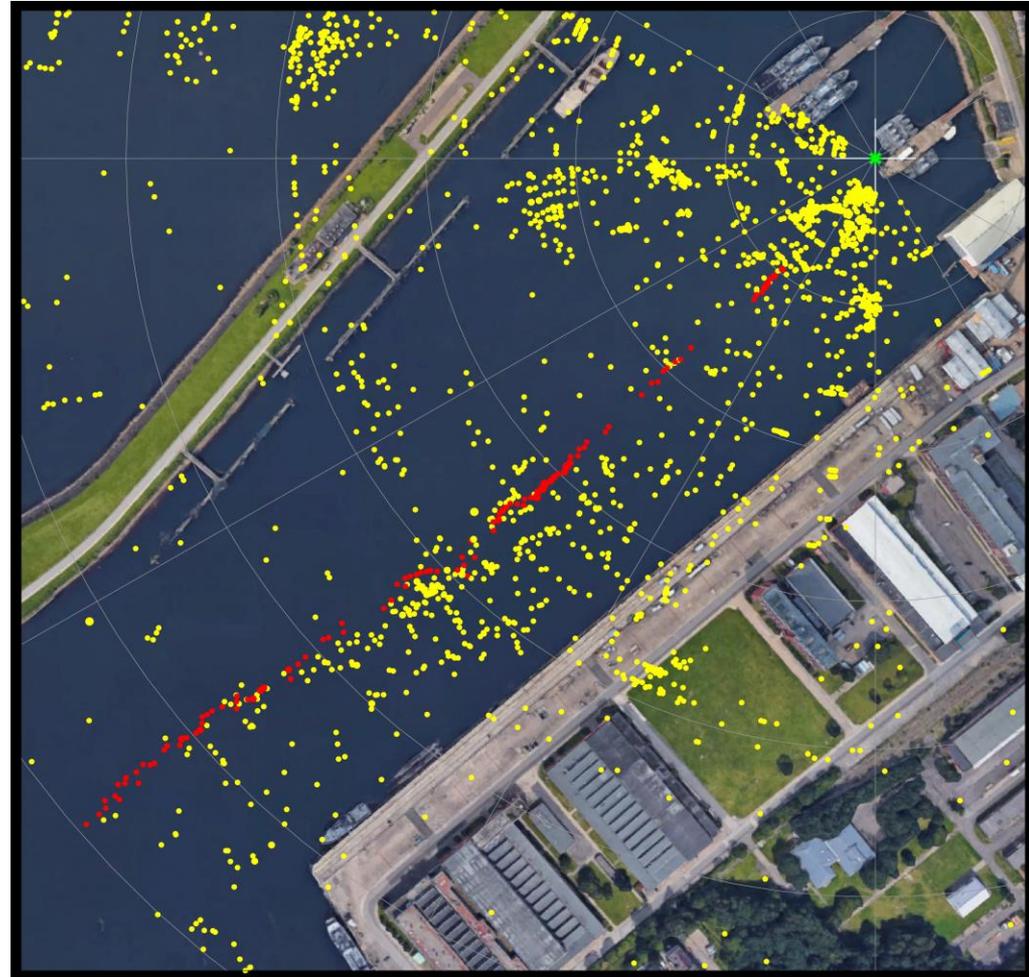
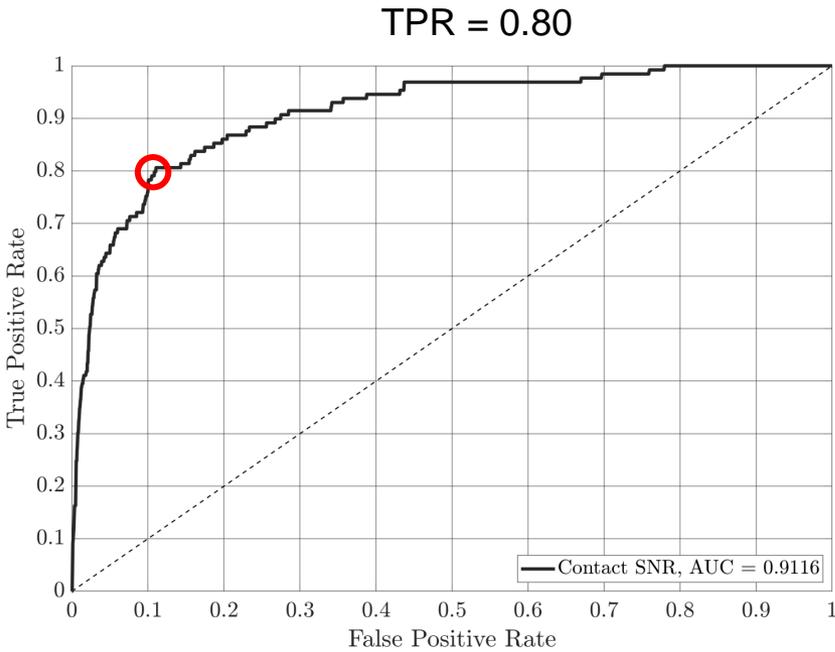
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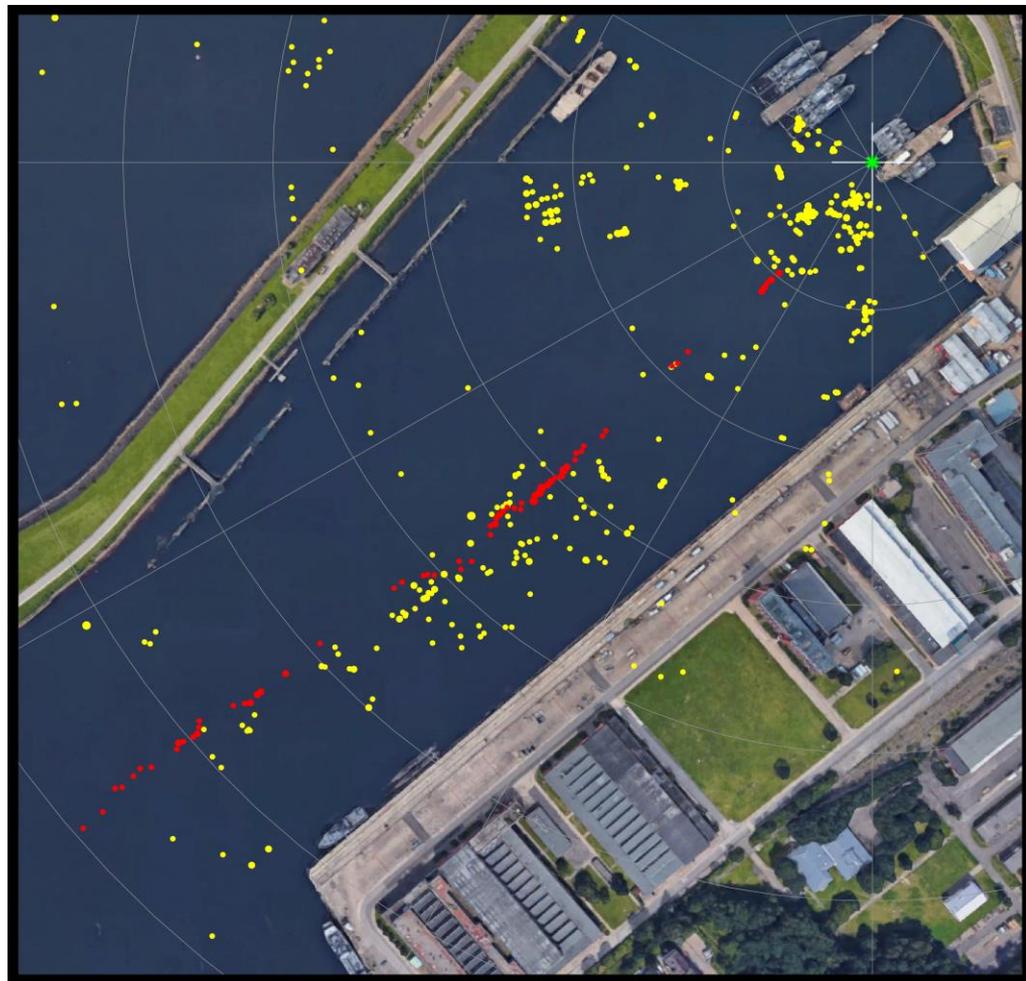
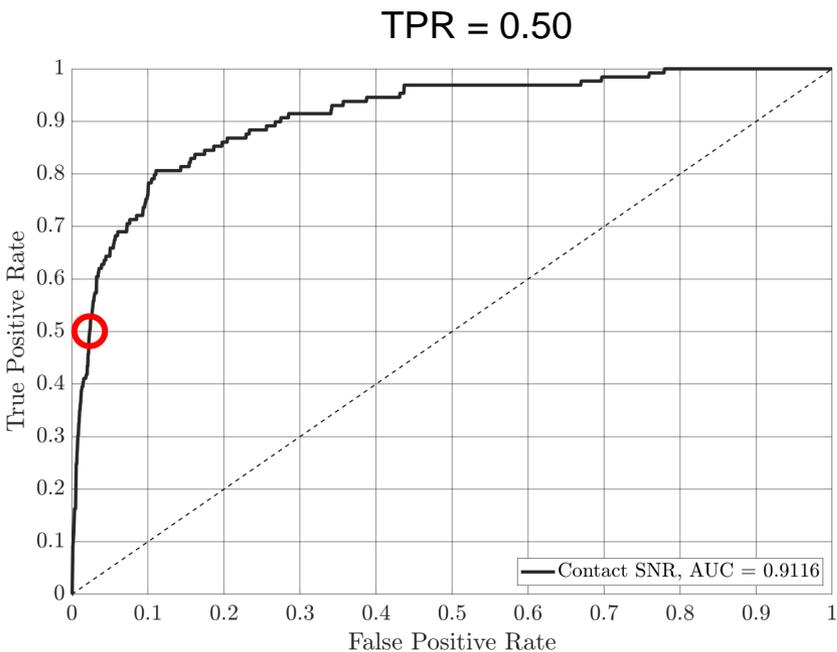


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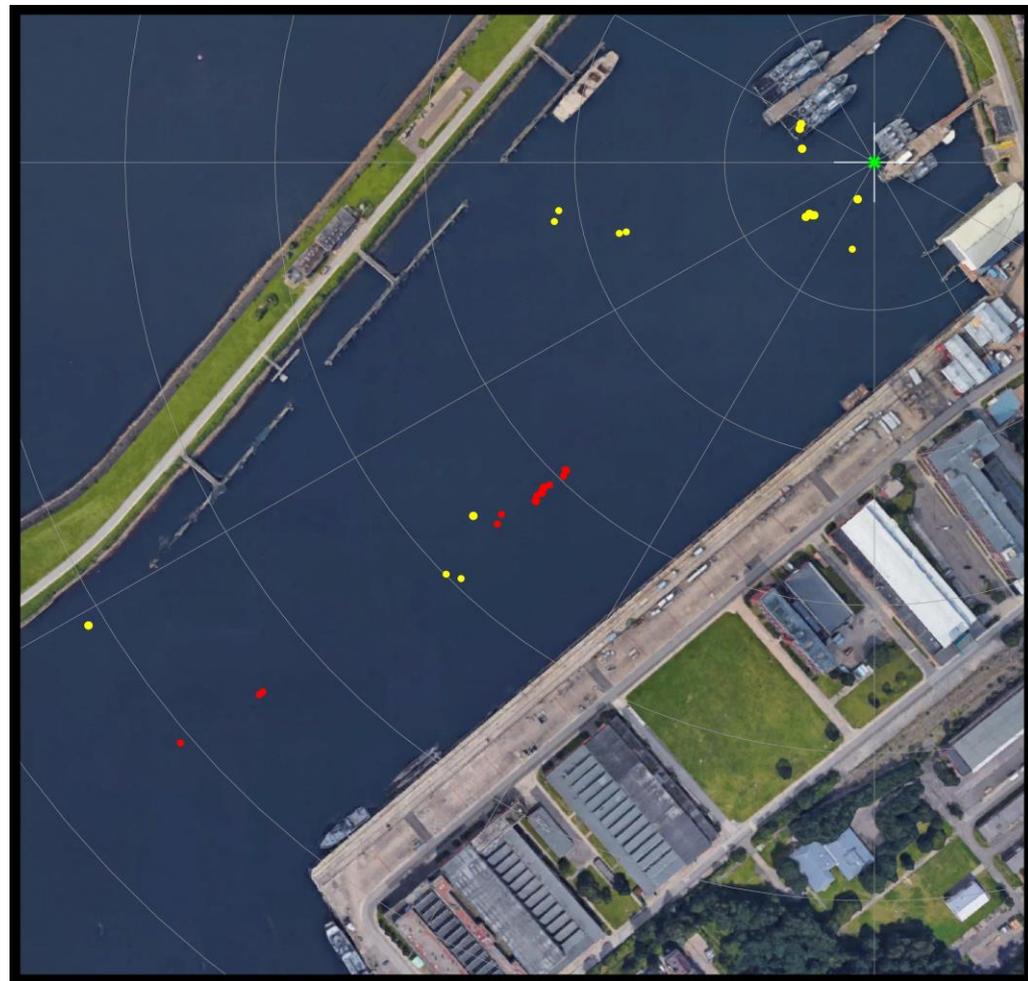
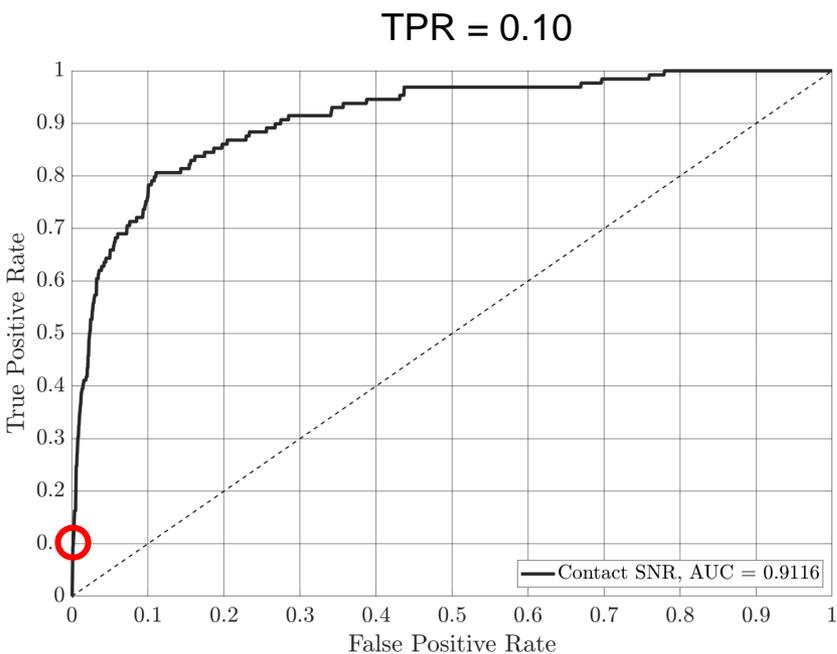
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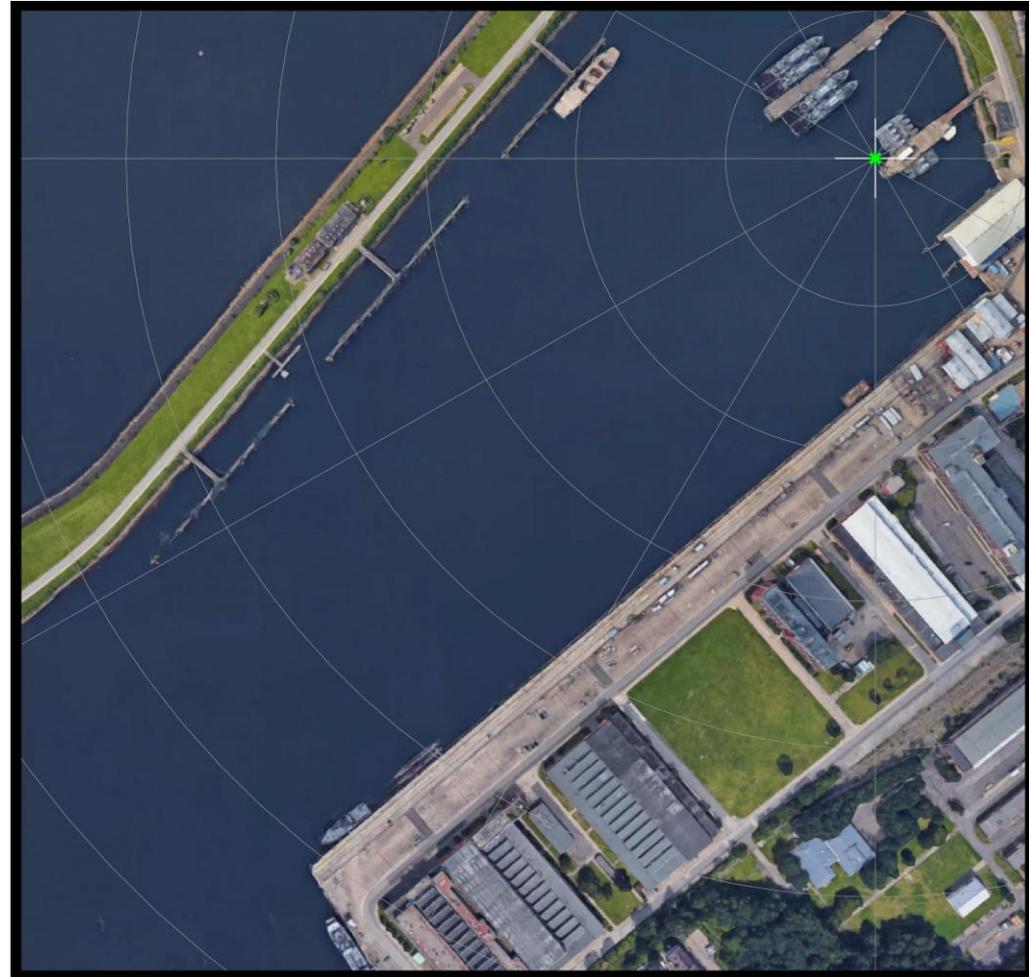
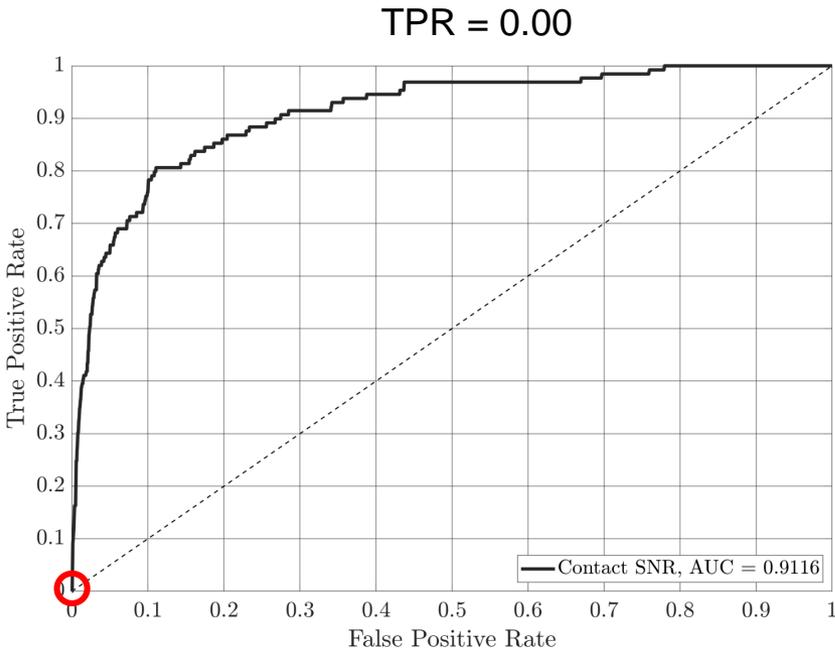


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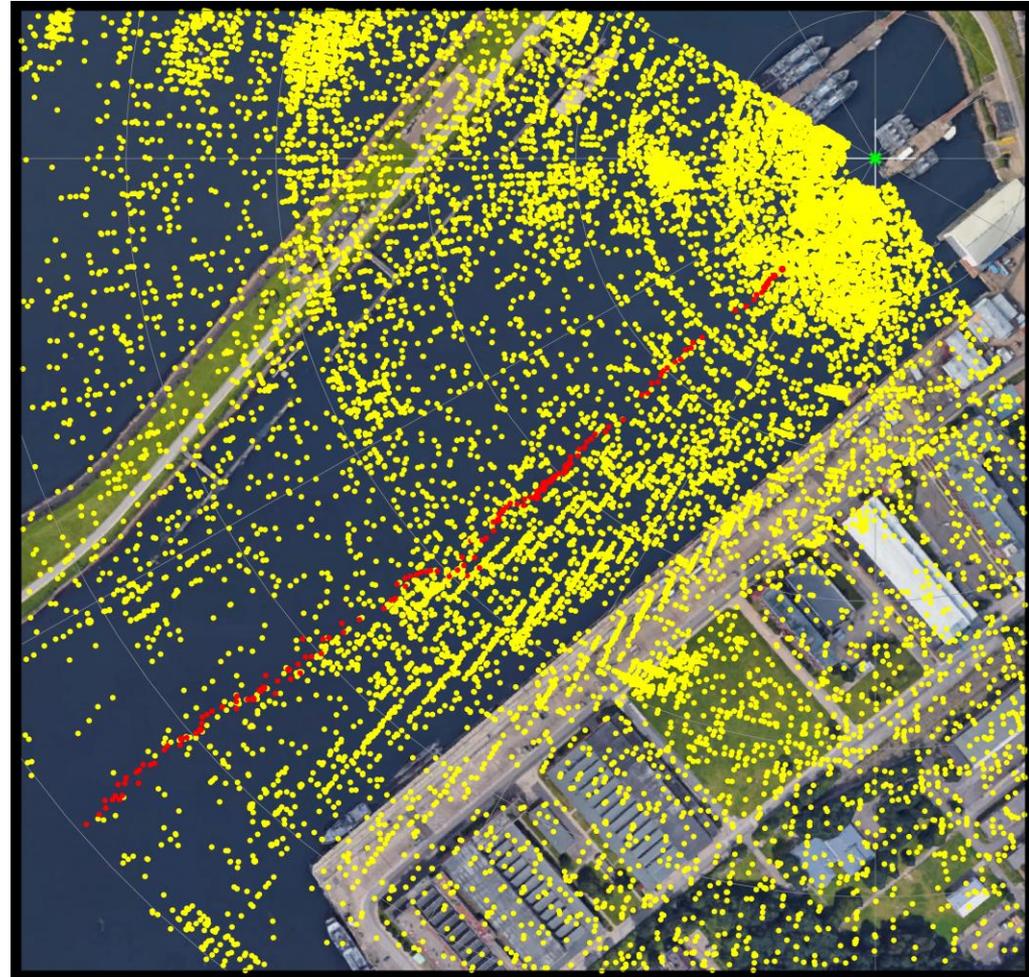
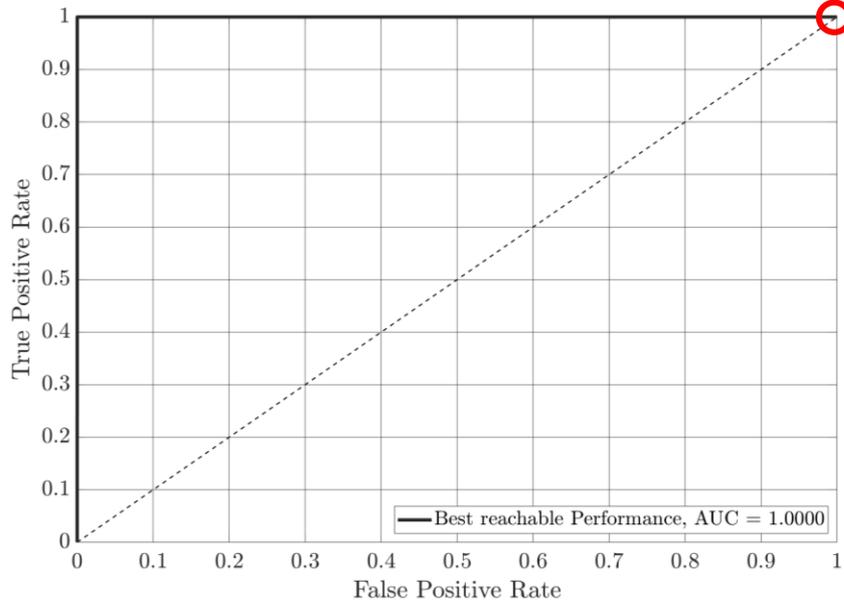
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IDEAL CASE

Ideal ROC Curve

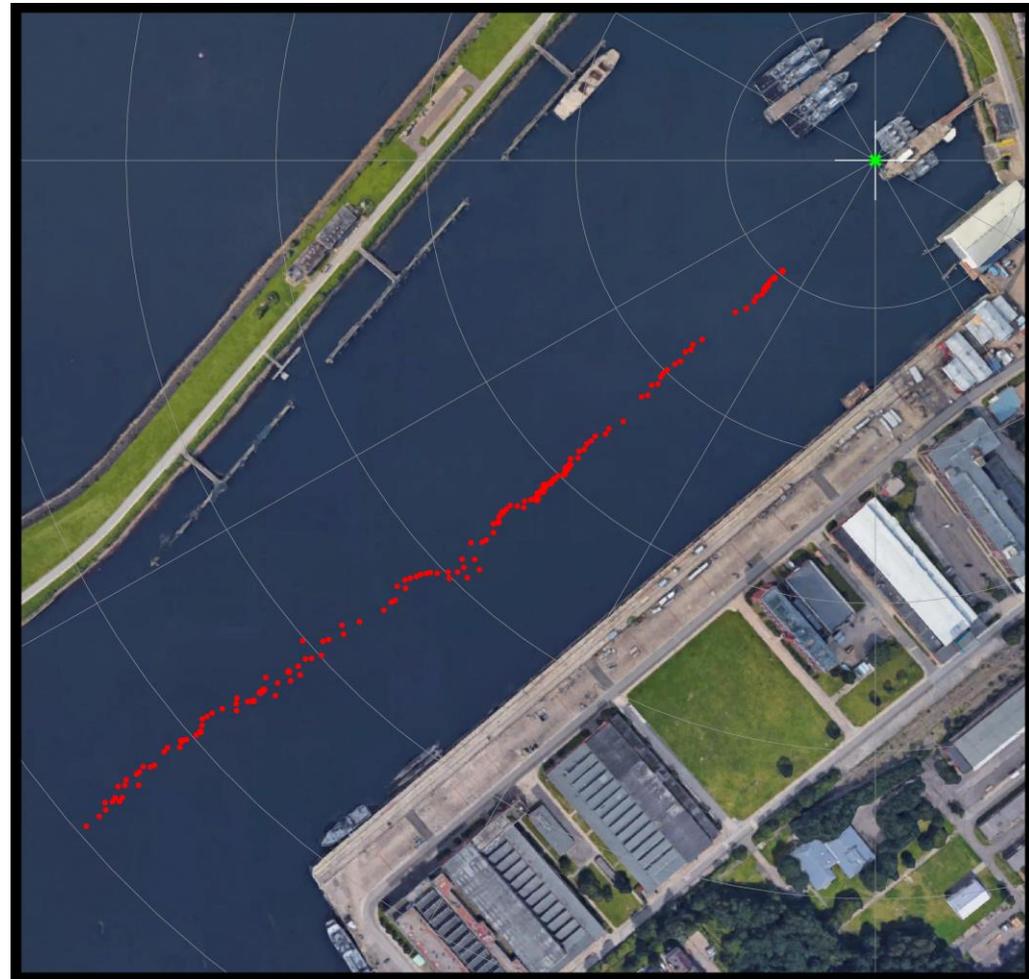
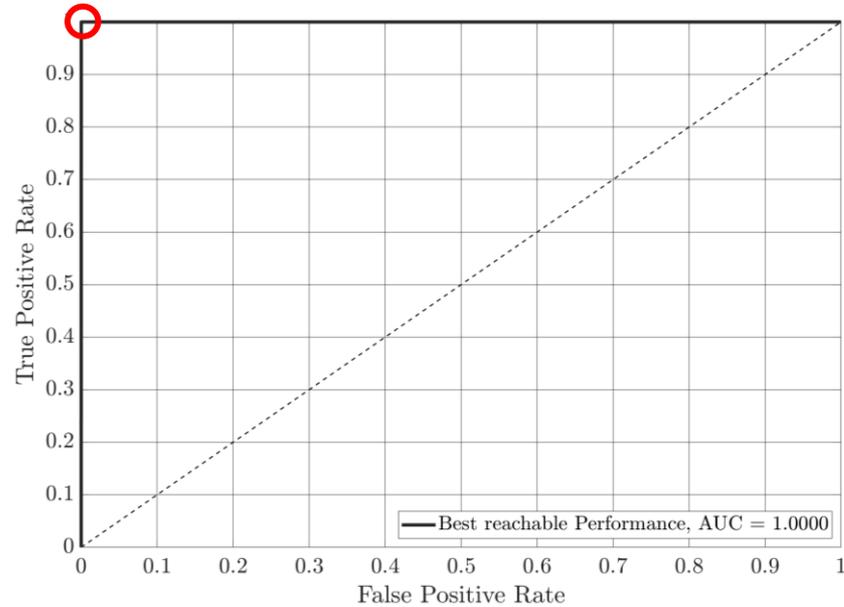
TPR = 1.00, FPR = 1.00



Ideal ROC Curve

- All Diver Contacts and No False Alarms Remain.
- **Ideal Case!**
- **Almost impossible to achieve!**

TPR = 1.00, FPR = 0.00



CLASSIFICATION RESULTS

Considered Datasets

- Three datasets recorded in different environments are merged to a big training dataset.

	$D_{\text{Train}E_1}$	$D_{\text{Train}E_2}$	$D_{\text{Train}E_3}$		D_{Train}
Diver Contacts	255	136	320		711
False Alarms	21831	21141	3761		46733

- Three similar datasets are used as test datasets.

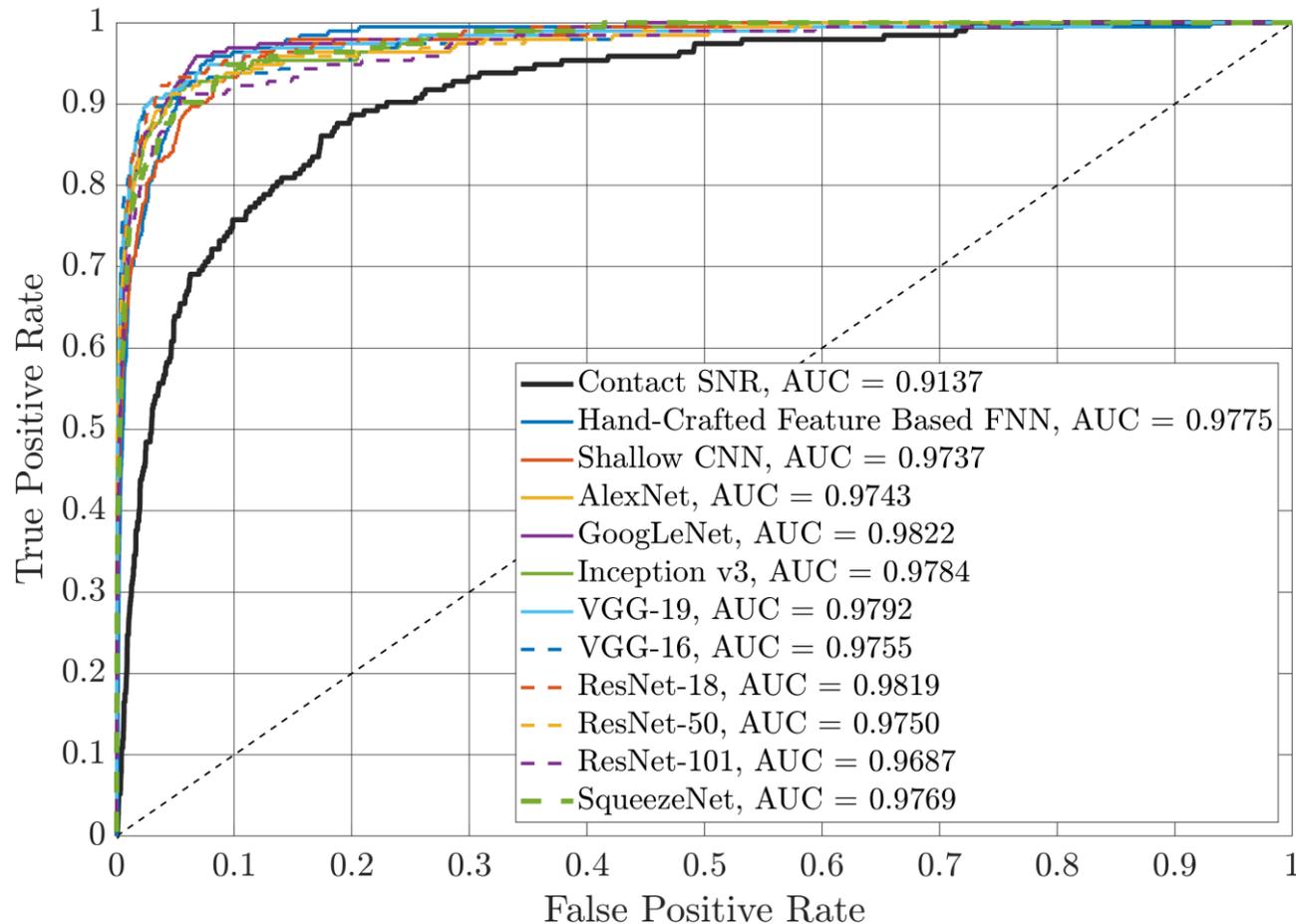
	$D_{\text{Test}E_1}$	$D_{\text{Test}E_2}$	$D_{\text{Test}E_3}$
Diver Contacts	356	194	187
False Alarms	37843	22484	2484

- All Datasets are highly unbalanced!**

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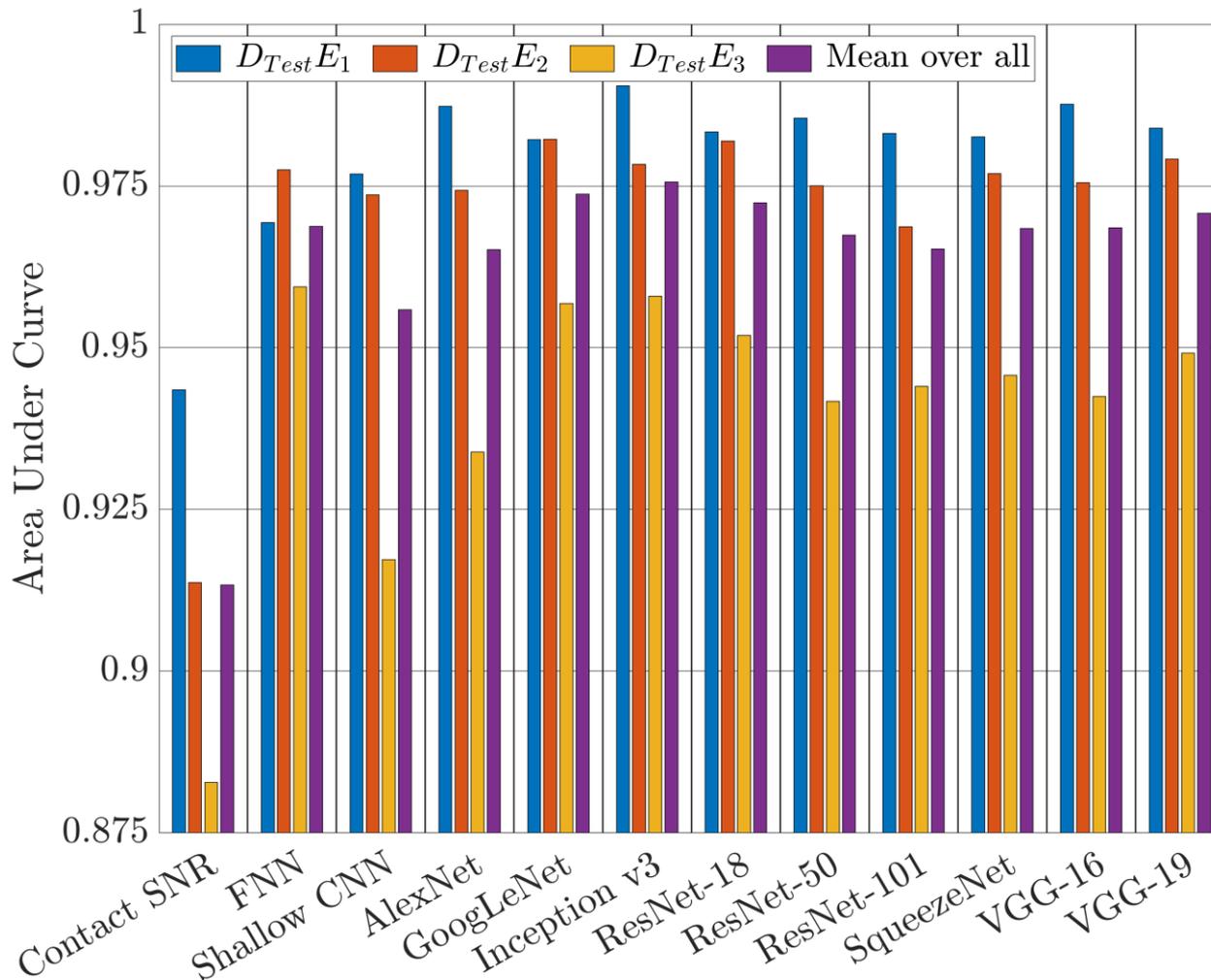
ROC Curves

- Algorithms tested with dataset $D_{\text{Test}} E_2$



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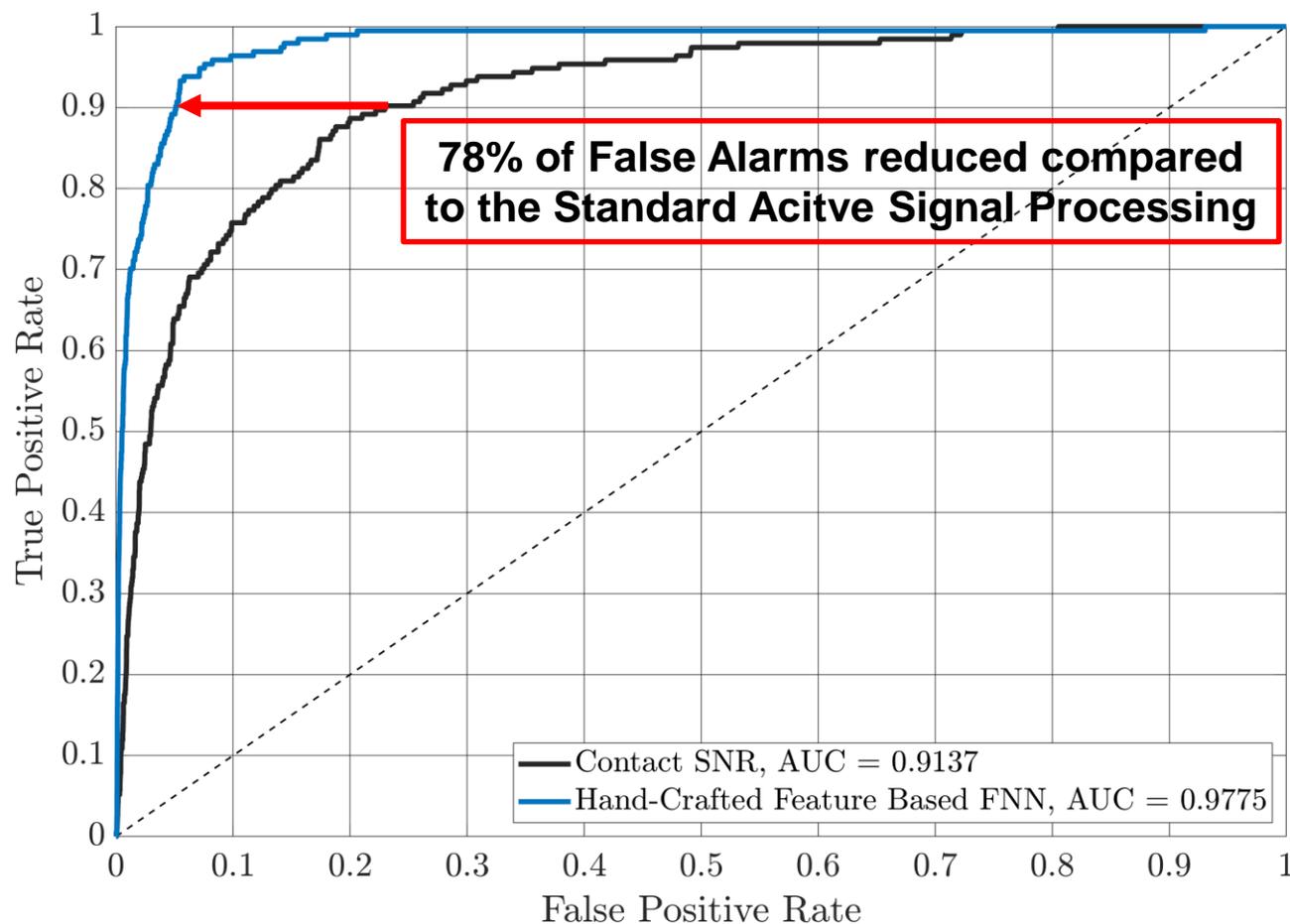
Performance for all Test Datasets



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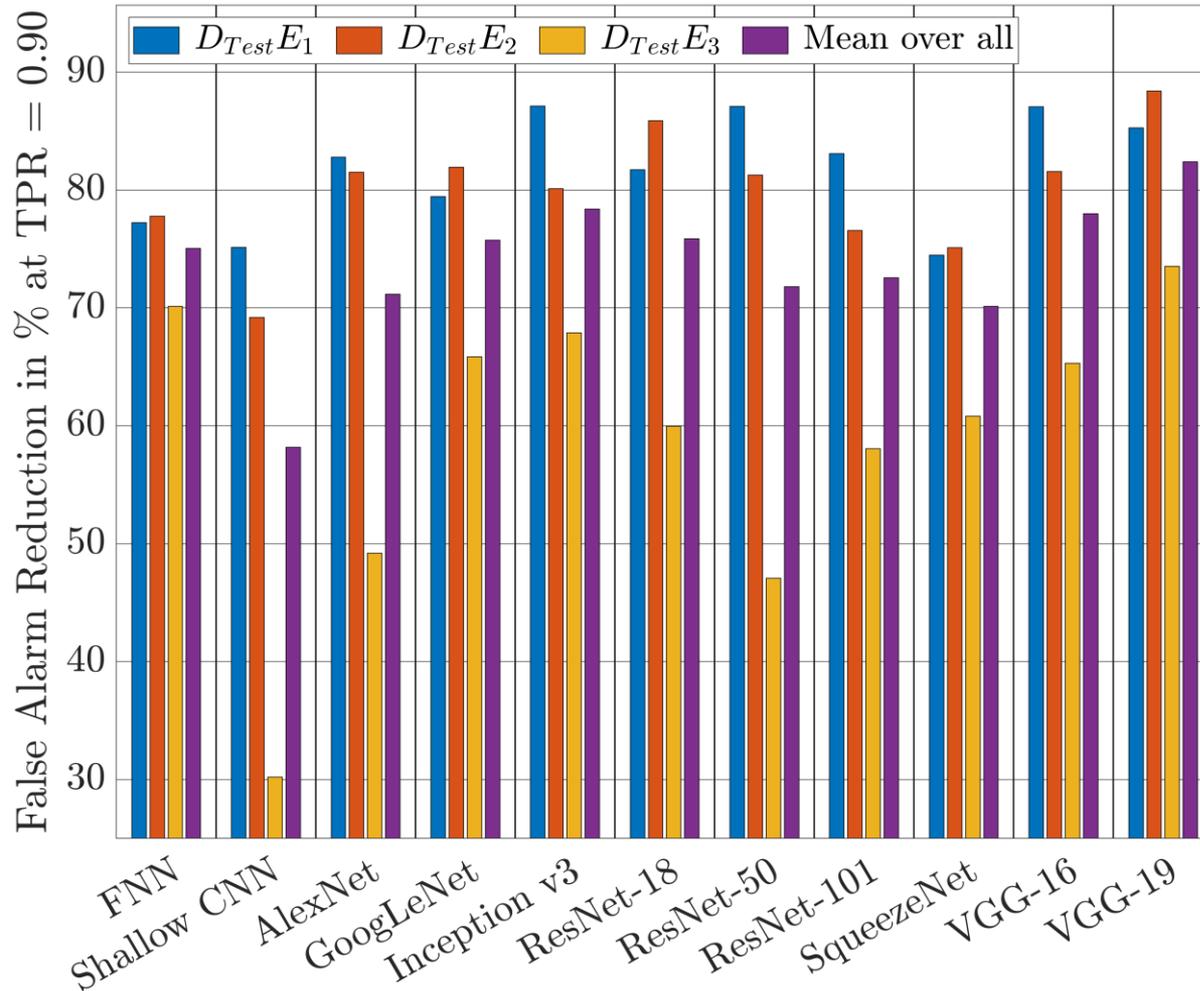
Performance Criteria for False Alarm Reduction

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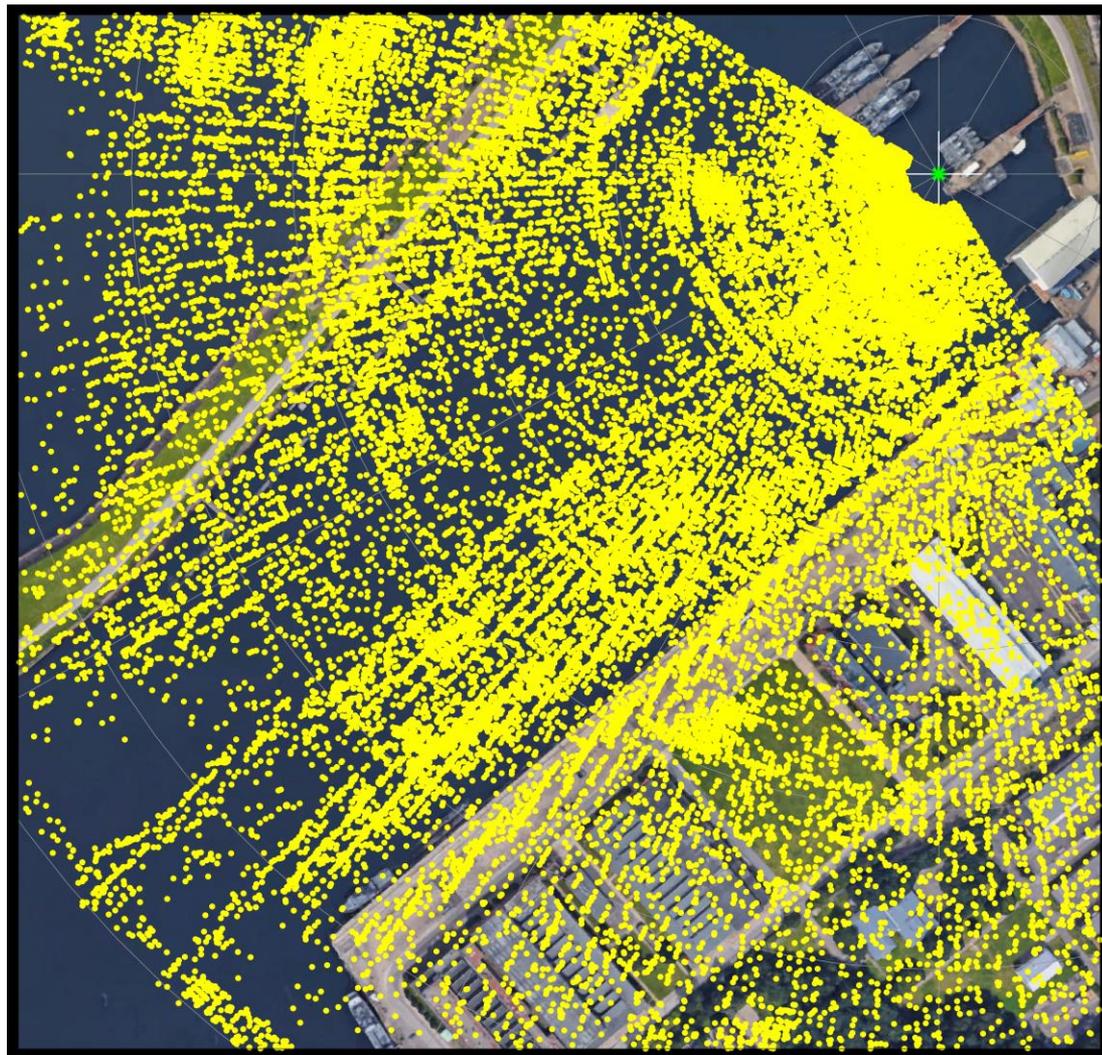
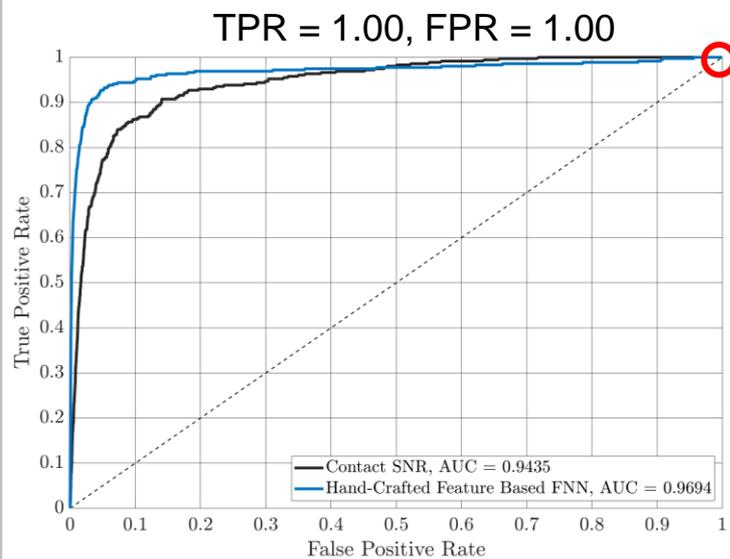
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PPI BEFORE AND AFTER FALSE ALARM REDUCTION

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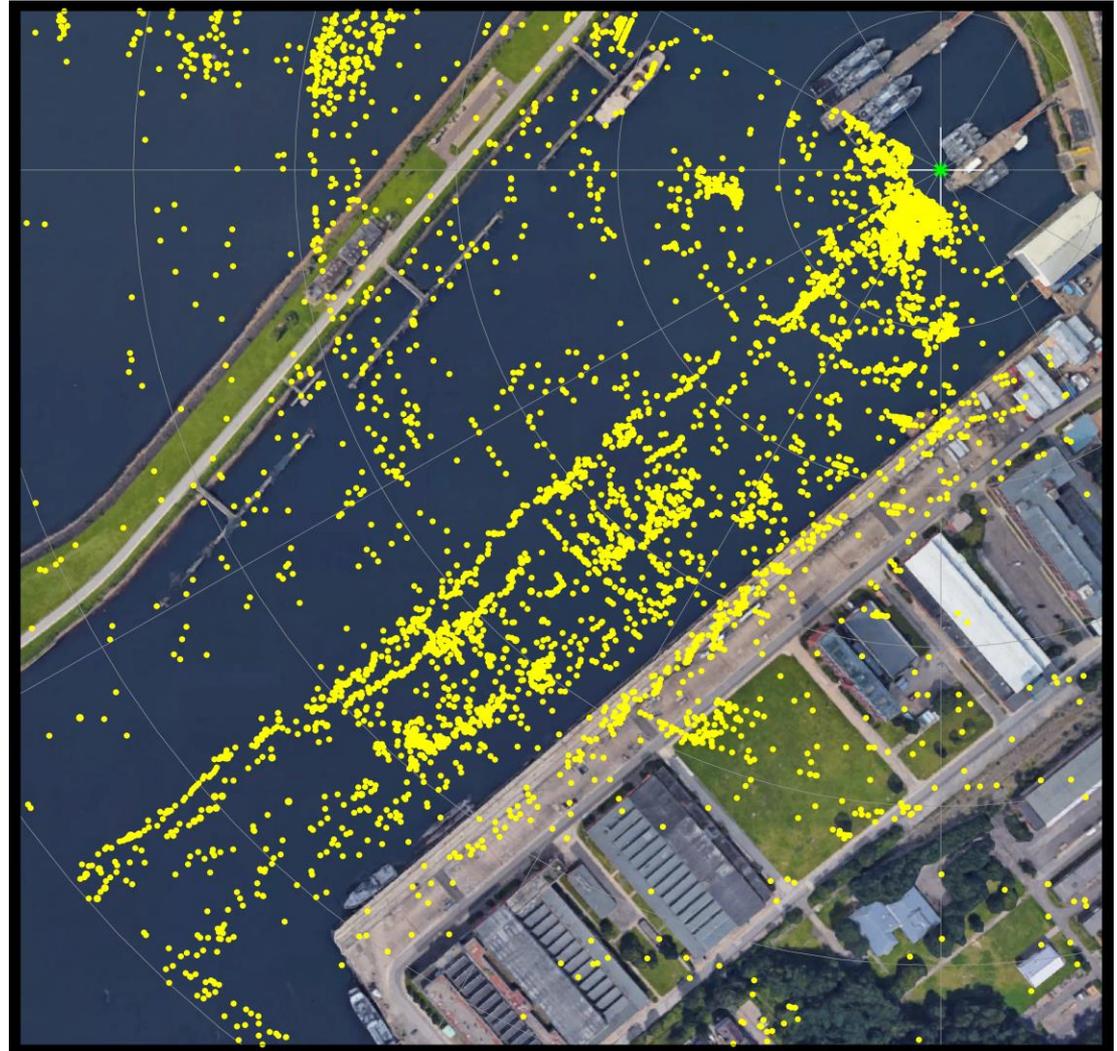
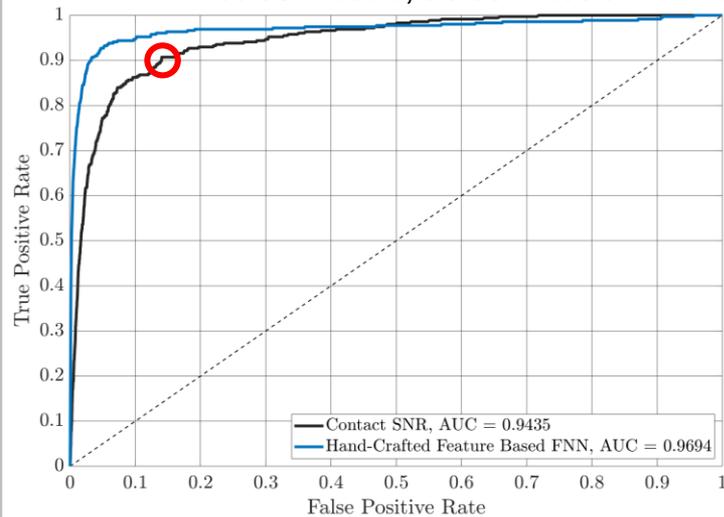
- Test Dataset $D_{\text{Test}} E_1$
 - Detection with low Threshold
 - 356 Diver Contacts
 - 37843 False Alarms



Classification Results

- Test Dataset $D_{\text{Test}} E_1$
 - Detection with higher Threshold
 - 320 Diver Contacts
 - 5301 False Alarms

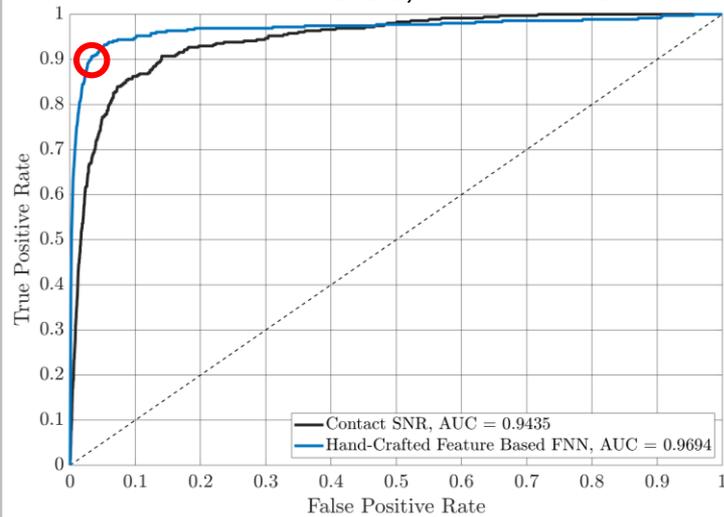
TPR = 0.90, FPR = 0.14



Classification Results

- Test Dataset $D_{\text{Test}} E_1$
 - Contacts after Classification
 - 320 Diver Contacts
 - 1211 False Alarms

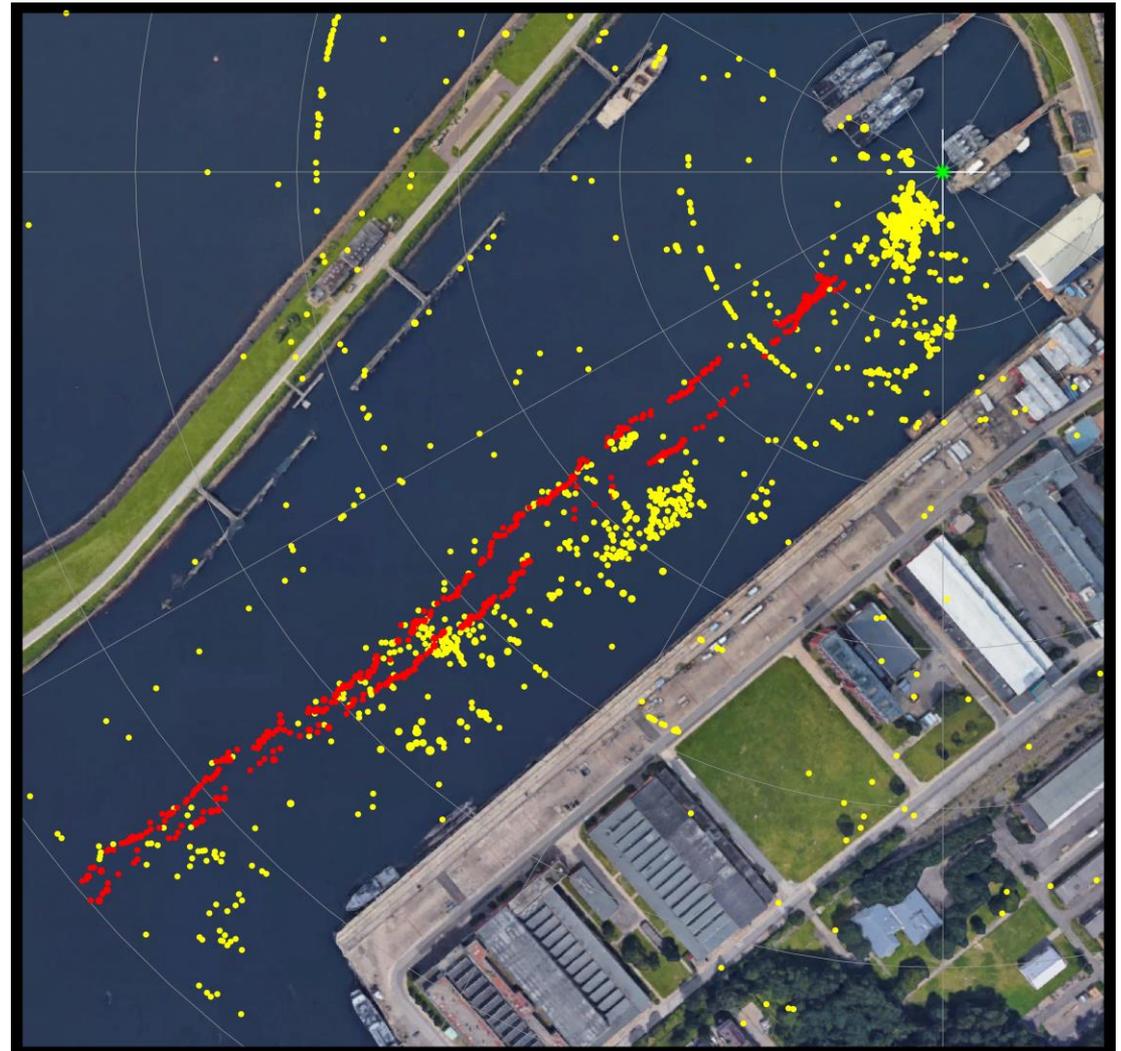
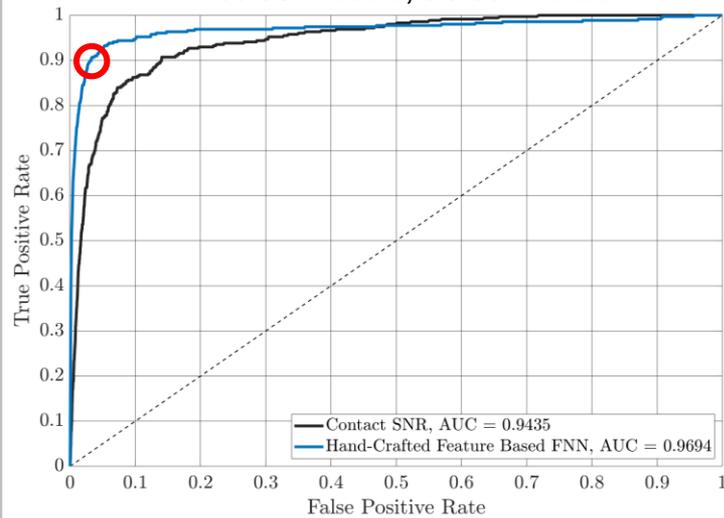
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SUMMARY AND FUTURE WORK

Summary

- Active signal processing is extended by feature extraction and classification.
- Two different machine learning techniques are considered.
- With both methods the number of false alarms can significantly be reduced.
- Deep CNNs perform better than considered Shallow CNN.
- Performance achieved with FNN is similar to that achieved with CNNs.

Future Work

- Use hand-crafted features in combination with features of CNNs.
- Combine different classification algorithms.
- Additional use of kinematic features estimated in tracking.
- Apply method to other active sonar applications (e.g. ASW).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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