Vision Framework

Building on Core ML

Session 506

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What Can Vision Do

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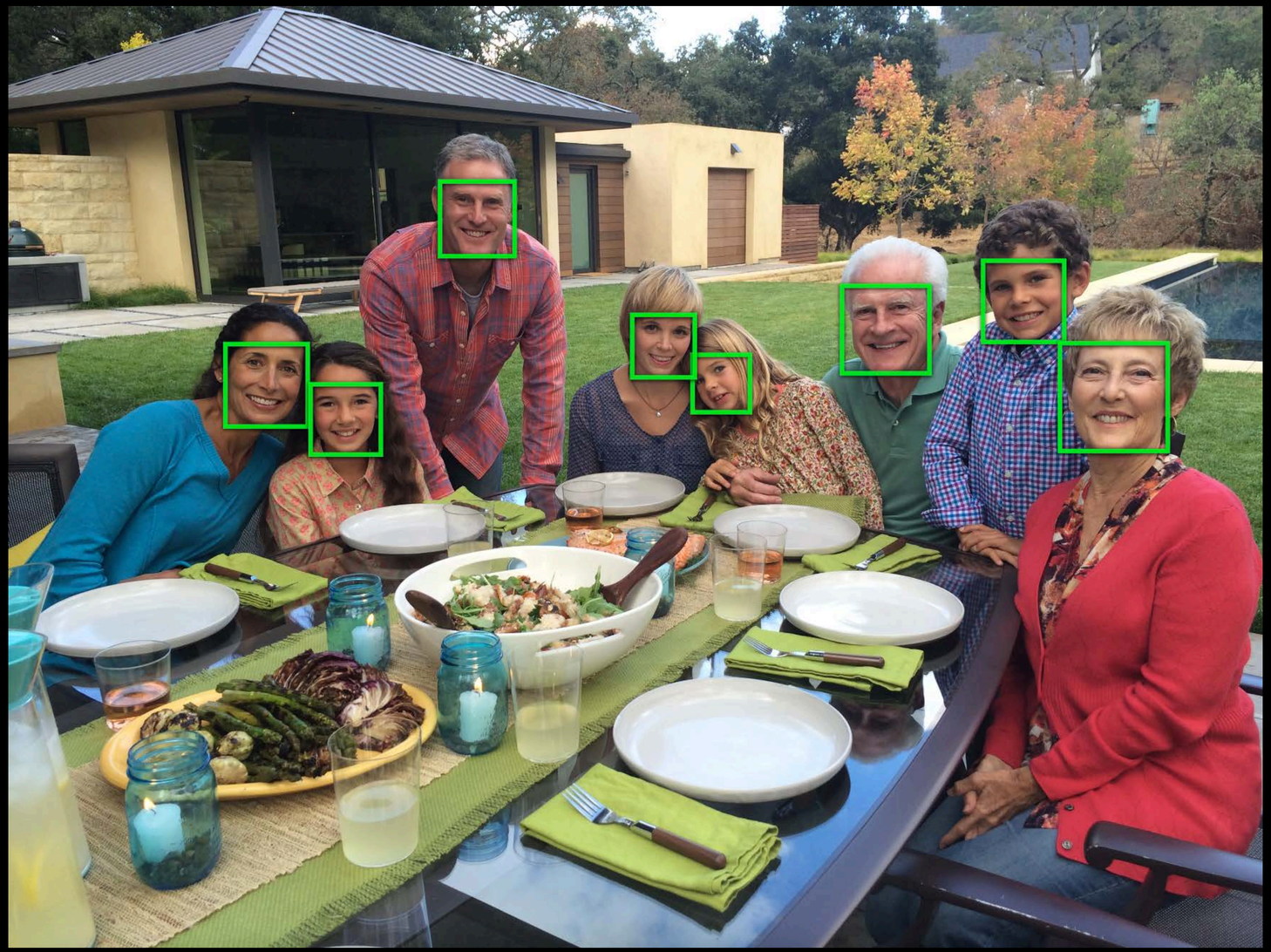
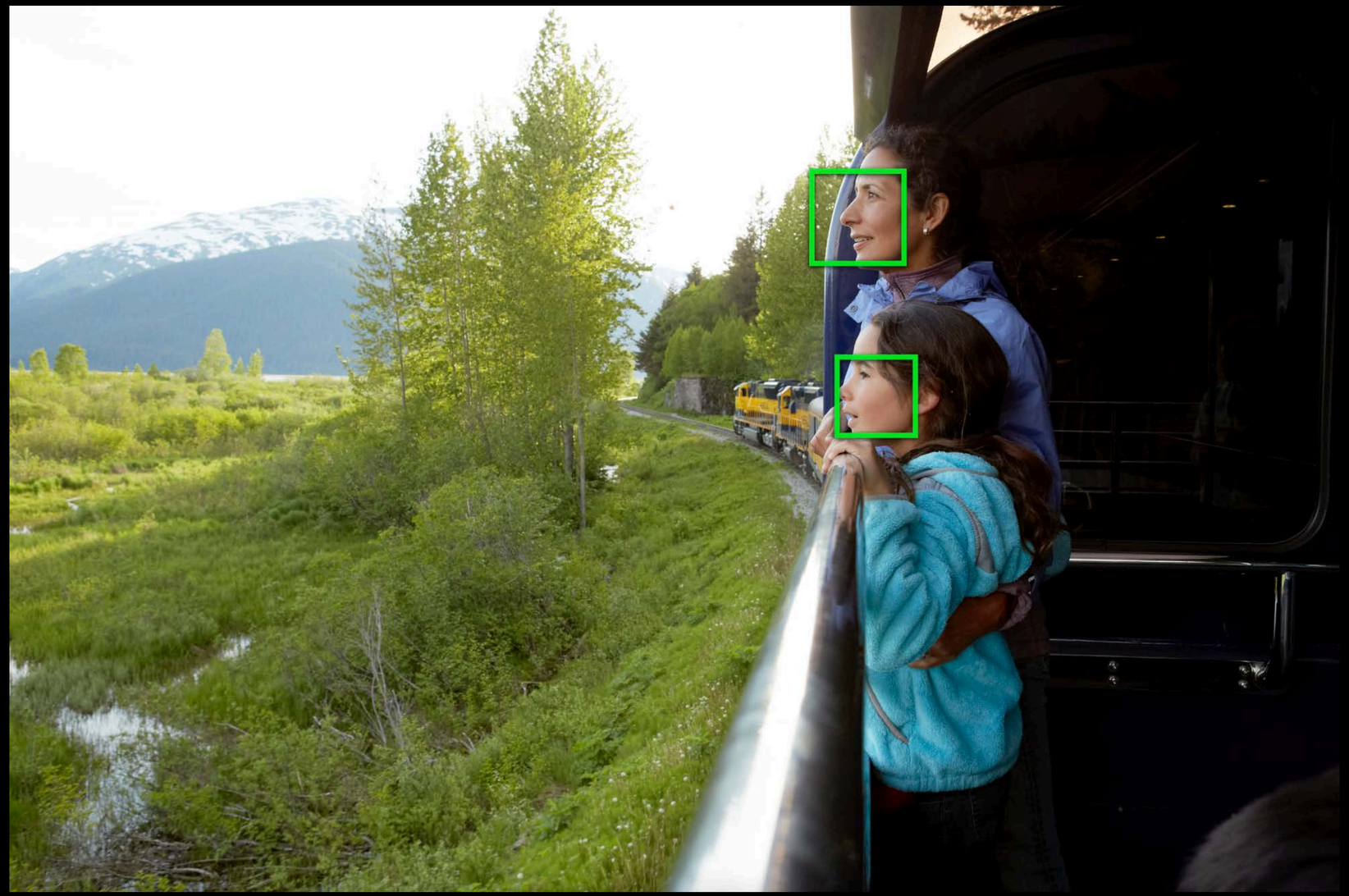
What You Can Do with Vision

Face Detection

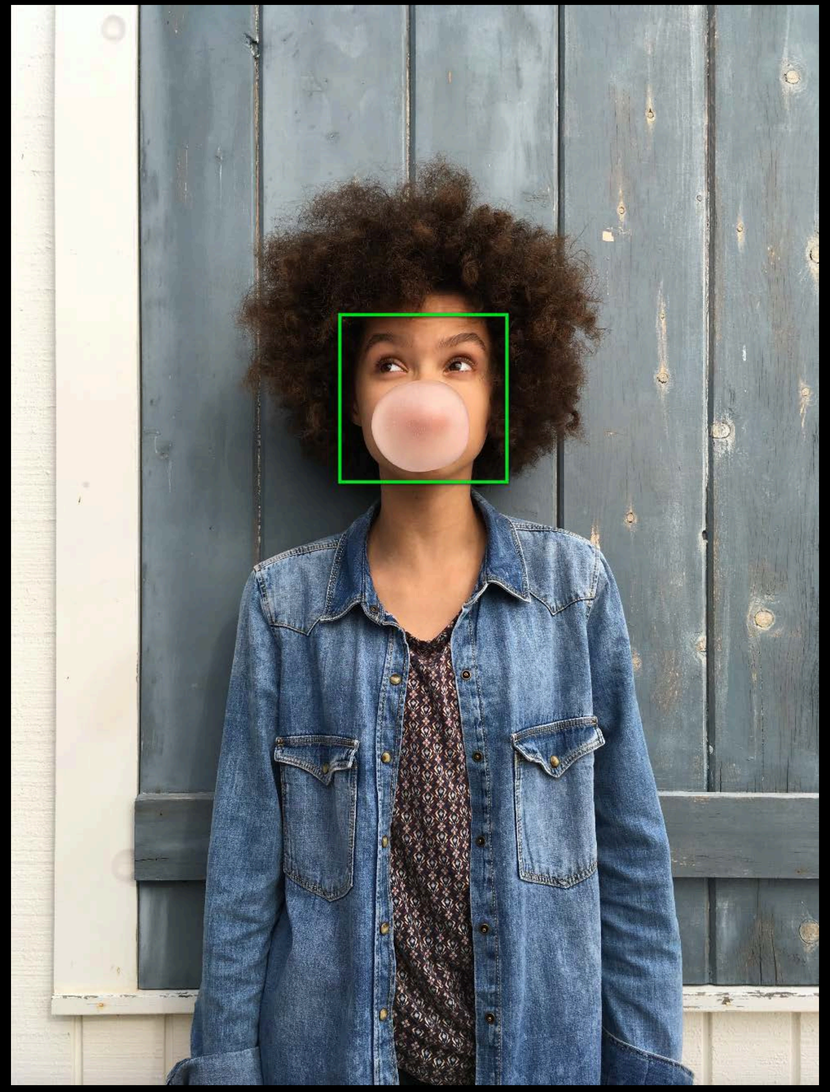


Face Detection: Small Faces

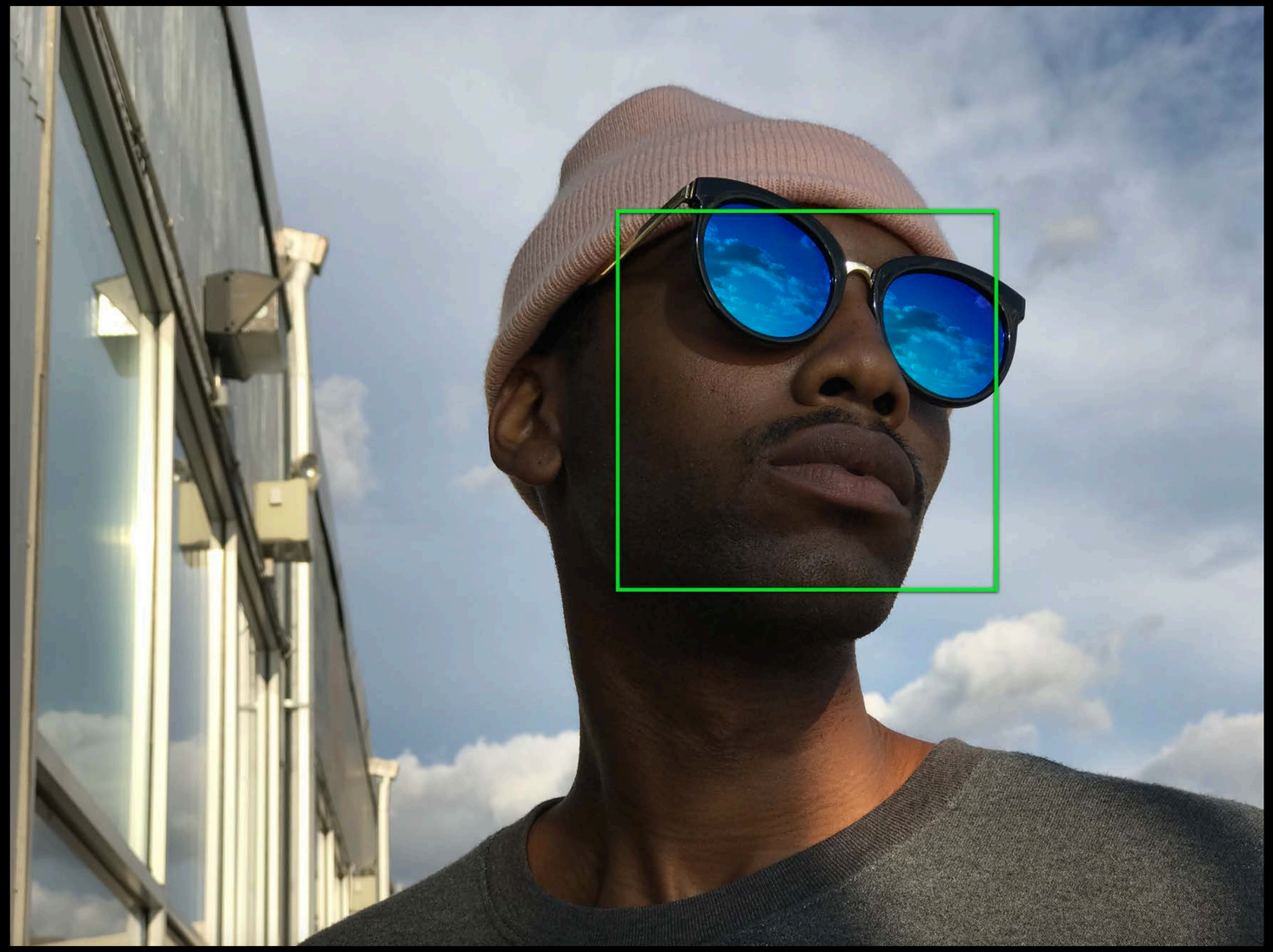
Face Detection: Strong Profiles



Face Detection: Partially Occluded



Face Detection: Hats and Glasses



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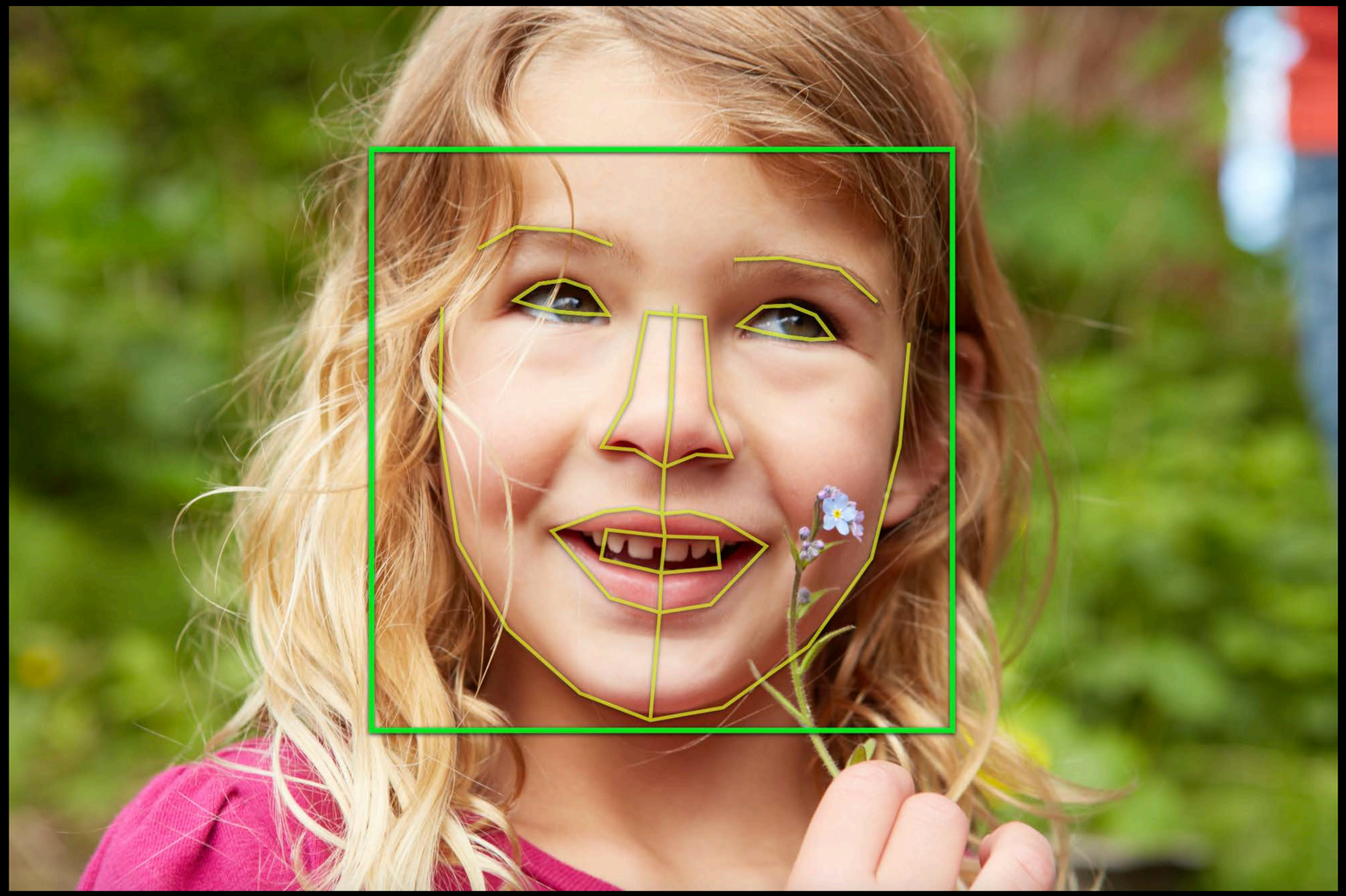

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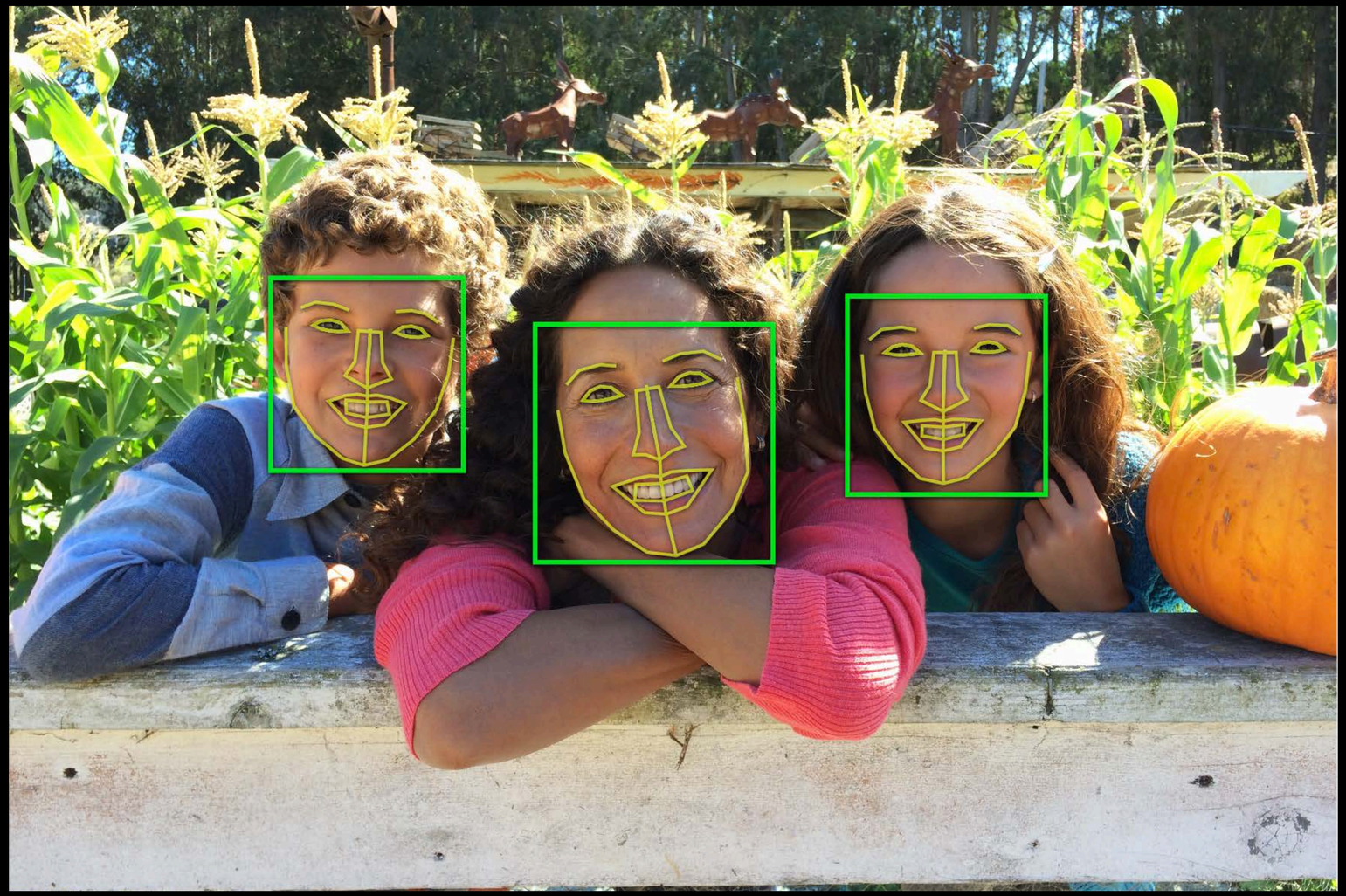

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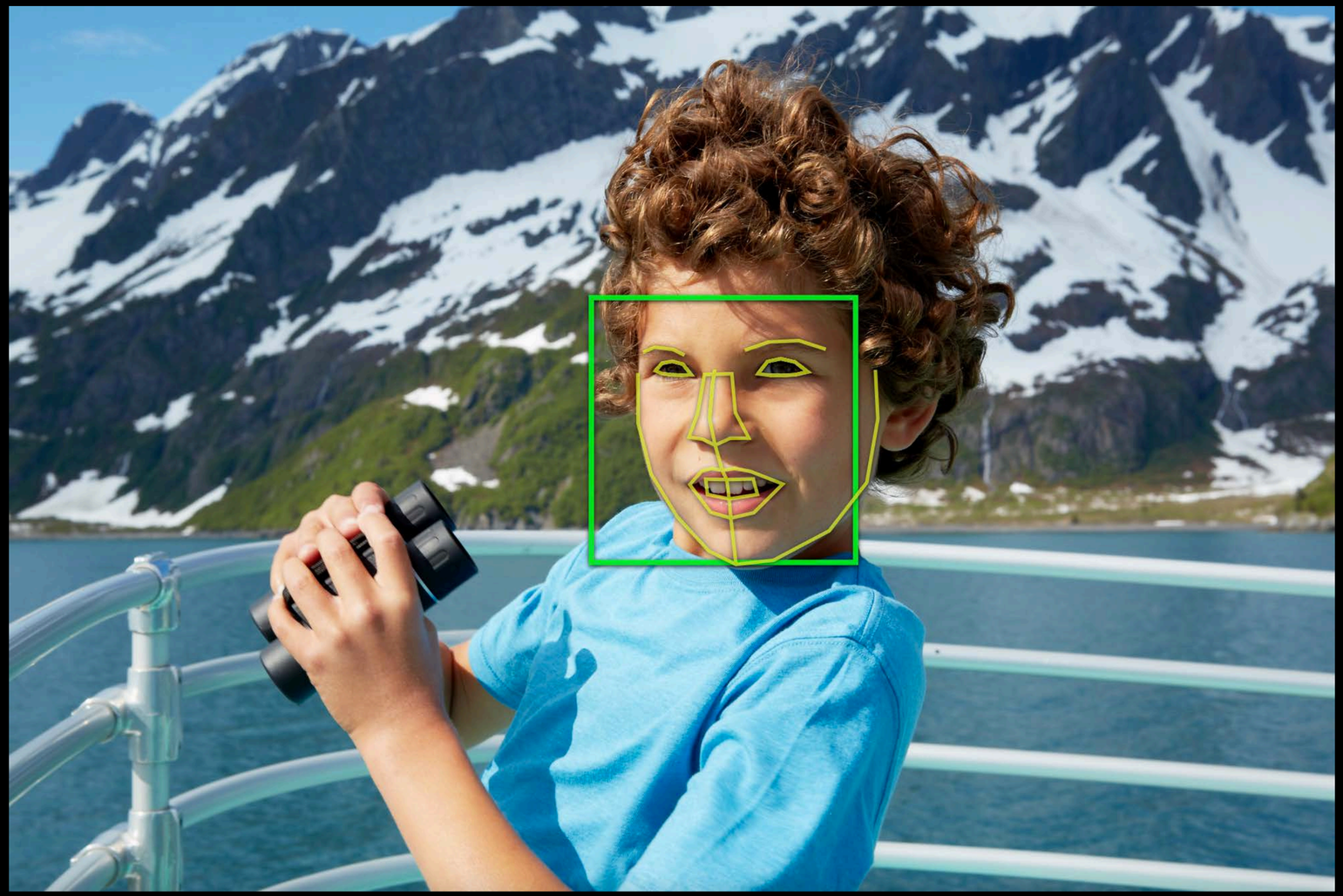

Image Registration

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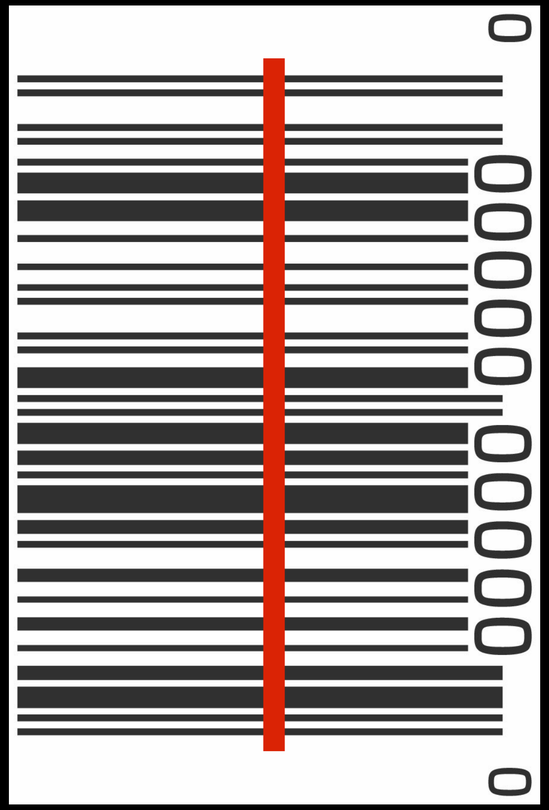
Rectangle Detection

Barcode Detection



Text Detection

Object Tracking

For faces, rectangles, and general templates

Integration with Core ML

Significant advances in Computer Vision through Machine Learning

Core ML provides native acceleration for custom models

Vision provides the imaging pipeline to support Core ML models

Classification:
Ballpoint, ballpoint pen, ballpen

Confidence:
0.86

Core ML and Natural Language Processing Lab	Technology Lab D	Thur 11:00AM-3:30PM
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High-level on-device solutions
to Computer Vision problems
through one simple API

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Traditional and deep learning algorithms

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Real-time use cases

- No latency, fast execution

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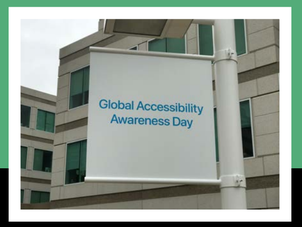

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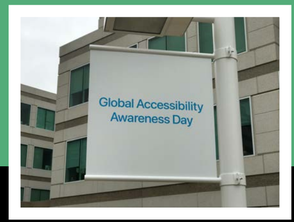

Observations

VNClassificationObservation

VNDetectedObjectObservation

VNFaceObservation

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Image Request Handler

For interactive exploration of an image

Holds on to the image for its lifecycle

Allows optimization of various requests performed on an image

Sequence Request Handler

For anything that looks at images in a sequence like tracking

Does not optimize for multiple requests on an image

Putting It into Code

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Best Practices

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Make sure to pass in the EXIF orientation of the image

Everything Streaming

CVPixelBuffer

Comes from a CMSampleBuffer in the VideoDataOut of a camera stream

Also a good low-level format to provide image data in memory

Files from Disk or Web

URL for image files on disk

NSData for images from the web

Least amount of memory footprint

Vision will do the scaling without reading the full image if possible

EXIF Orientation is derived from the file if possible but can be overwritten

Core Image

Already using Core Image

Preprocessing the image

Images Already Used in the UI

Use CGImage if the image was already used in the UI

UIImage and NSImage have accessors for CGImageRefs

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Tracking an observation

- Use VNSequenceRequestHandler
- Tracking state is kept in the VNSequenceRequestHandler
- Lifecycle of images is not tied to the life of the VNSequenceRequestHandler

What Performance Do I Need or Want?

Vision tasks can be time consuming and processing intensive

- Dispatch your work on a queue with appropriate QOS
- Use the completion handler to work with the results
- Completion handler is called on the same queue as the request

Yet Another Face Detector?

Vision uses deep learning for face detection

- Highest precision and recall
- Slower on older hardware in particular

Face Detector Landscape

	Vision	Core Image	AV Capture
Accuracy	Best	Better	Good
Processing time	Fast	Faster	Fastest
Power usage	Good	Better	Best
Availability	iOS, macOS, tvOS	iOS, macOS, tvOS	iOS capture only

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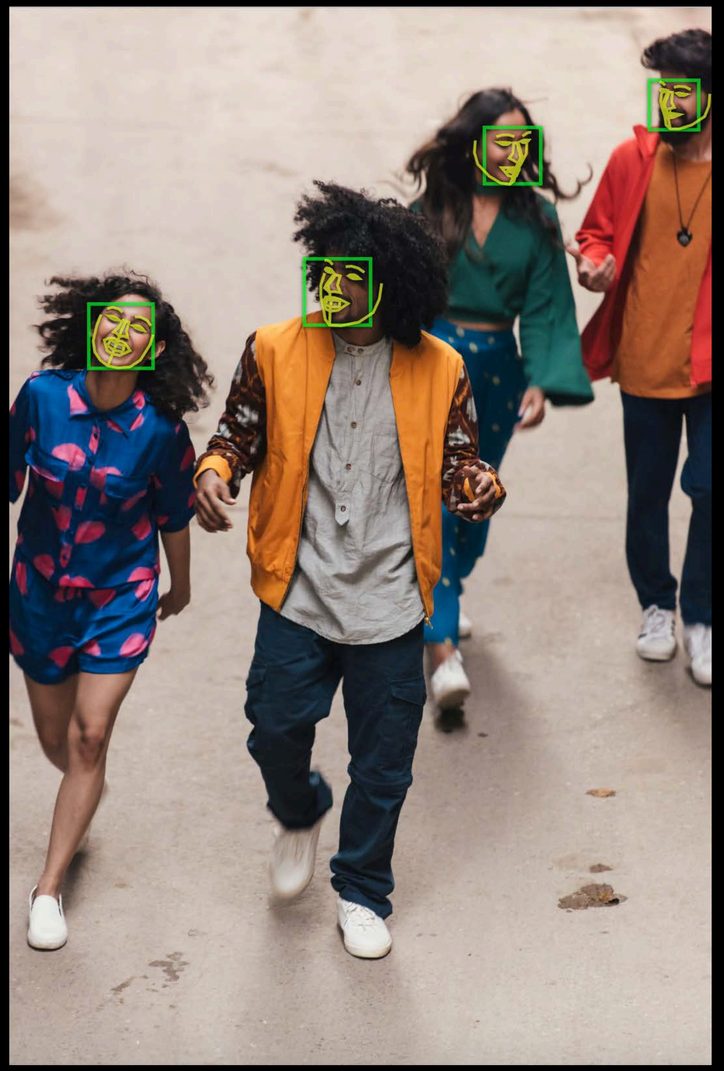

CIDetector vs. Vision

CIDetector will remain as they are in Core Image

New algorithms will be exposed through Vision

Algorithm improvements will be made available in Vision

Show and Tell

Part one

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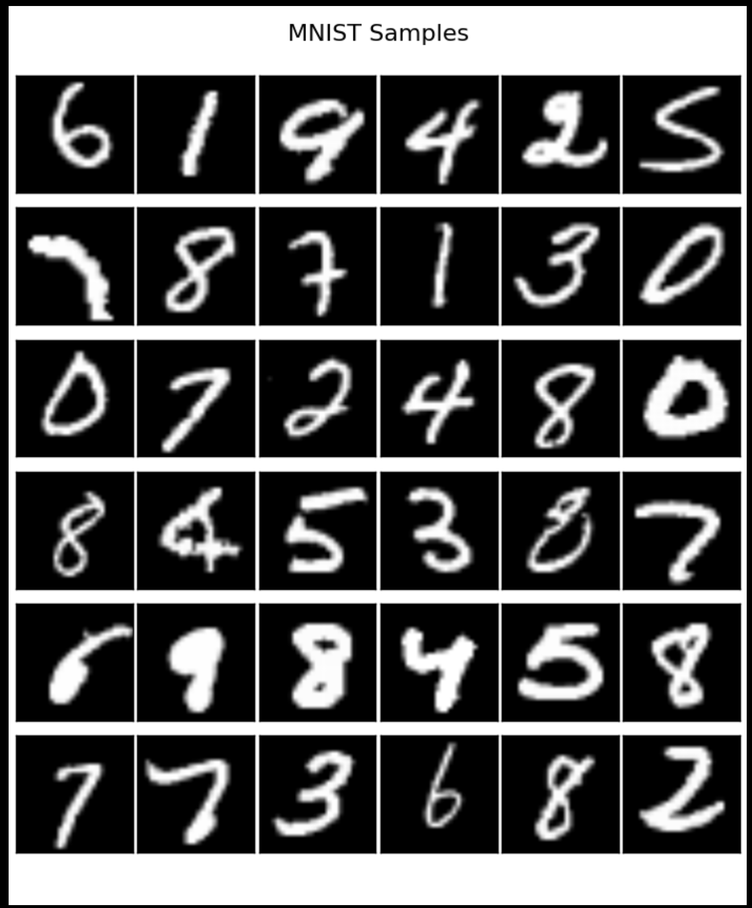
Part two

MNISTVision

Concepts to be covered

- Spin off requests from other requests
- Use Core Image for processing
- Use Core ML for machine learning



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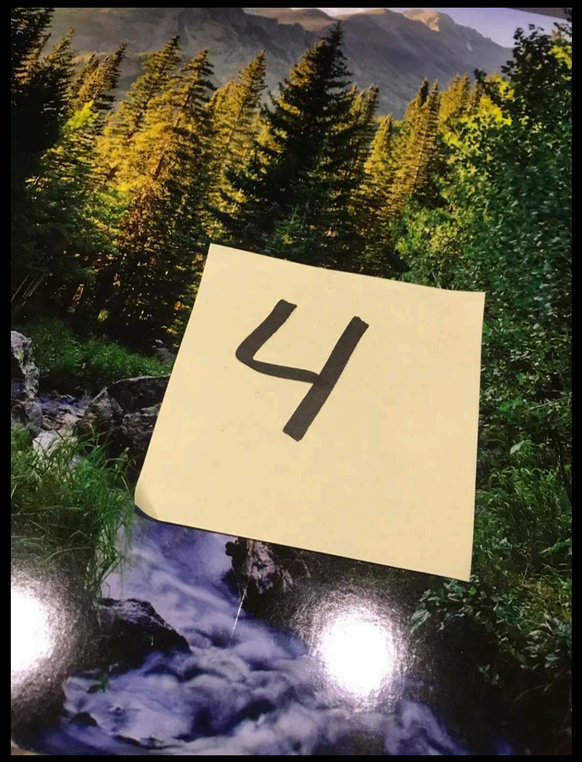

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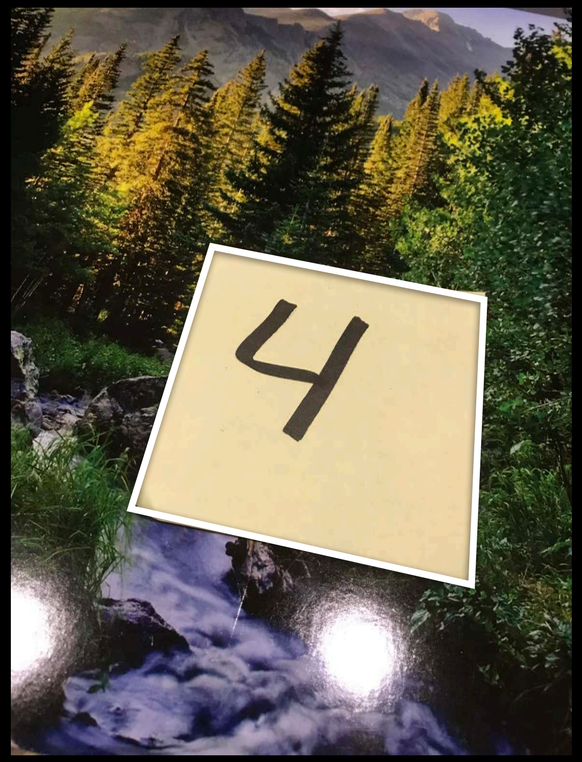

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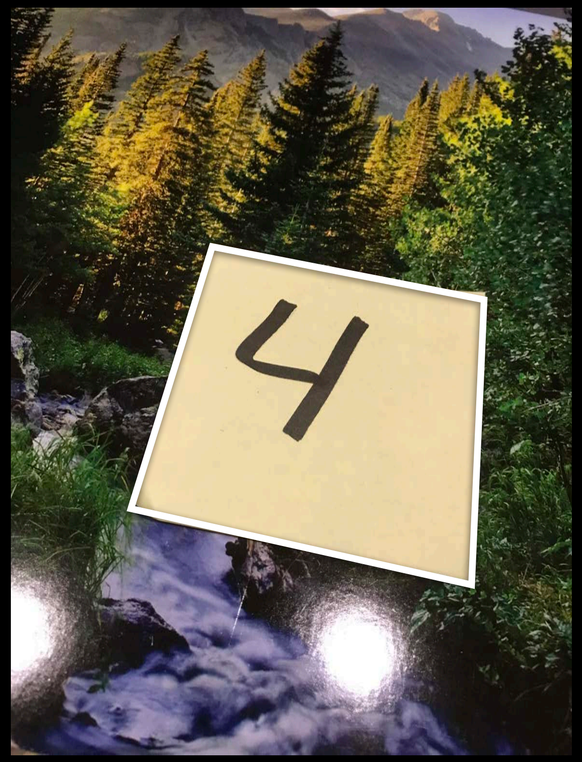

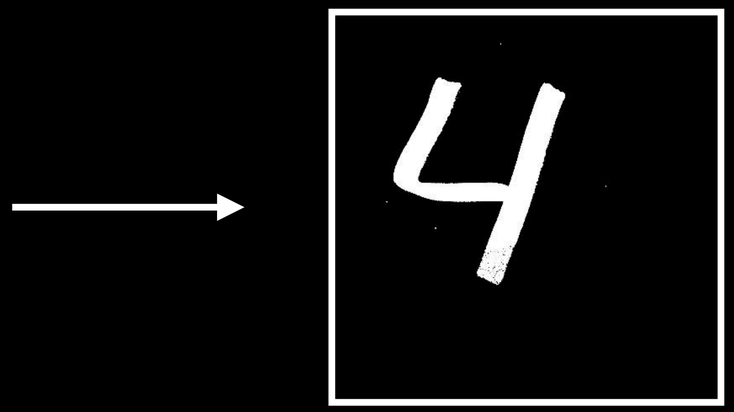

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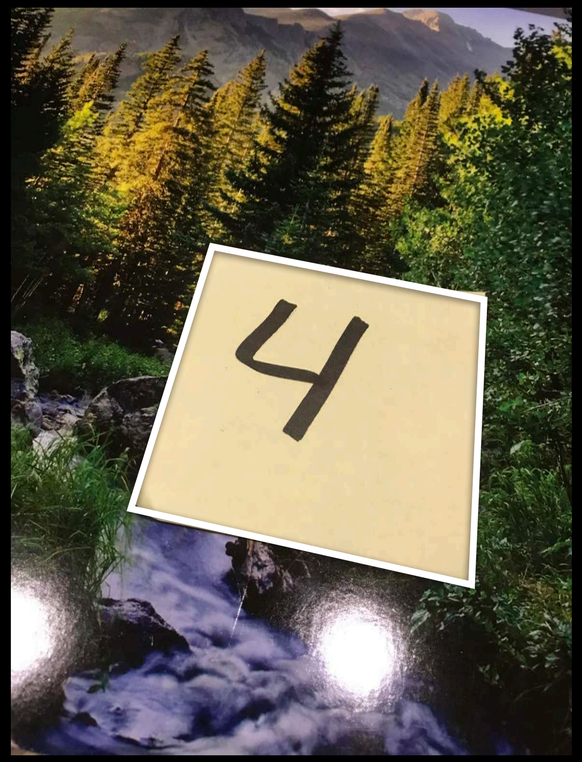

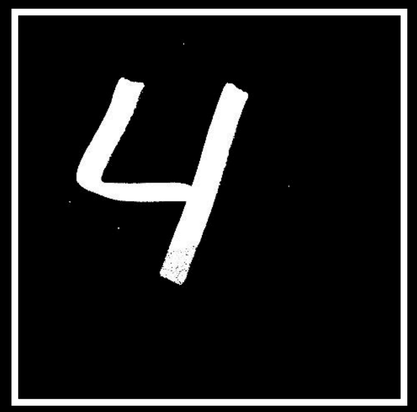

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MNISTClassifier:

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Step 3

Run MNIST classifier on
resulting CIImage

Demo

And that is Vision.framework

Summary

Vision is a new high-level framework for Computer Vision

Various detectors and tracking through one consistent interface

Integration with Core ML allows you to use custom models with ease

More Information

https://developer.apple.com/wwdc17/506

Related Sessions

Introducing Core ML		WWDC 2017
Photography Get Together	Technology Lab J	Wednesday 6:30PM
Core ML in Depth	Hall 3	Thursday 9:00AM
Advances in Core Image: Filters, Metal, Vision, and More	Executive Ballroom	Thursday 1:50PM

Labs

Core ML and Natural Language Processing Lab	Technology Lab D	Thur 11:00AM–3:30PM
AVFoundation Lab	Technology Lab F	Thur 12:00PM–3:00PM
Photos Editing and Core Image Lab	Technology Lab F	Thur 3:10PM–6:00PM
Vision Lab	Technology Lab A	Fri 1:50PM–4:00PM
Core ML and Natural Language Processing Lab	Technology Lab D	Fri 1:50PM–4:00PM


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