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Resilient adjudication in non-intrusive inspection with hierarchical object and anomaly detection

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Trusted and Trust-In AI systems

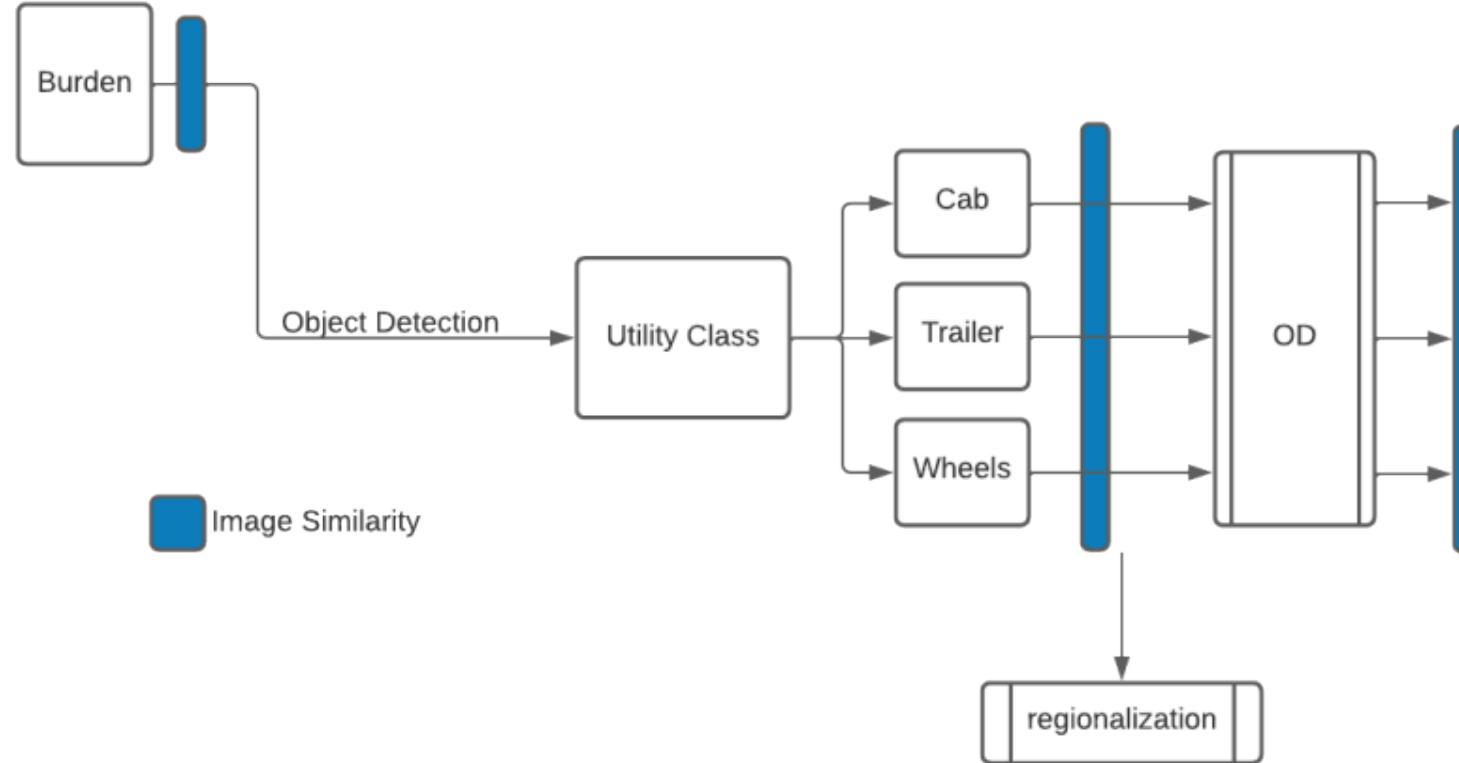
In high consequence environments, Trust between operators and AI becomes critical

Trusted systems should be:

- Resilient
- Robust
- Adaptable
- Ergonomic



Adjudication from a systems perspective



Detectron 2 Object Detection

Facebook object detection API

Facilitates training collections of object detection models with pre-initialized weights

We trained 8 candidate models on our COCO formatted dataset

Model hyperparameters and training schedule were **NOT** optimized

Data separated into a 90/10 train/test split, after stratifying to minimize class imbalances

Dataset

These whole vehicle scans collected on a Multi-Energy Portal

Hand annotations for 5 classes:

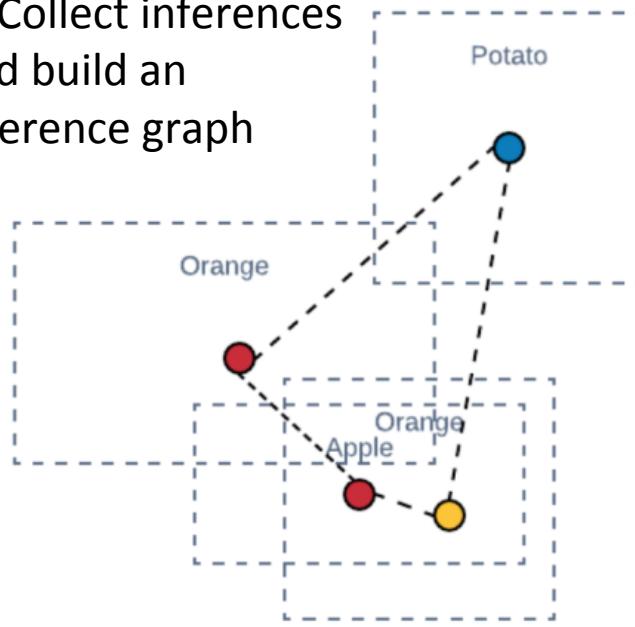
- Trailer
- Cabin
- Tire
- Flatbed
- Target (Mixed material objects of interest)

Model Name	Model Family	Model Outputs
R50-FPN-1x	Faster RCNN	Class, Score, Box
R50-FPN-3x	Faster RCNN	Class, Score, Box
R101-FPN-3x	Faster RCNN	Class, Score, Box
RN-R50-1x	RetinaNet	Class, Score, Box
RN-R50-3x	RetinaNet	Class, Score, Box
R_101_C4_3x	Mask RCNN	Class, Score, Box, Mask
R_101_DC5_3x	Mask RCNN	Class, Score, Box, Mask
R_101_FPN_3x	Mask RCNN	Class, Score, Box, Mask



Graph Theoretic Ensembling

1) Collect inferences and build an inference graph



2) Split inference graph into cliques, and score each clique

$$1 - \prod_s (1 - s)$$

3) If models disagree on a classification, calculate a categorical confidence score to weight clique selection

$$\left(1 - \prod_{s \in C} (1 - s) \right) \prod_{s \notin C} (1 - s)$$



Notional Object Detection Results

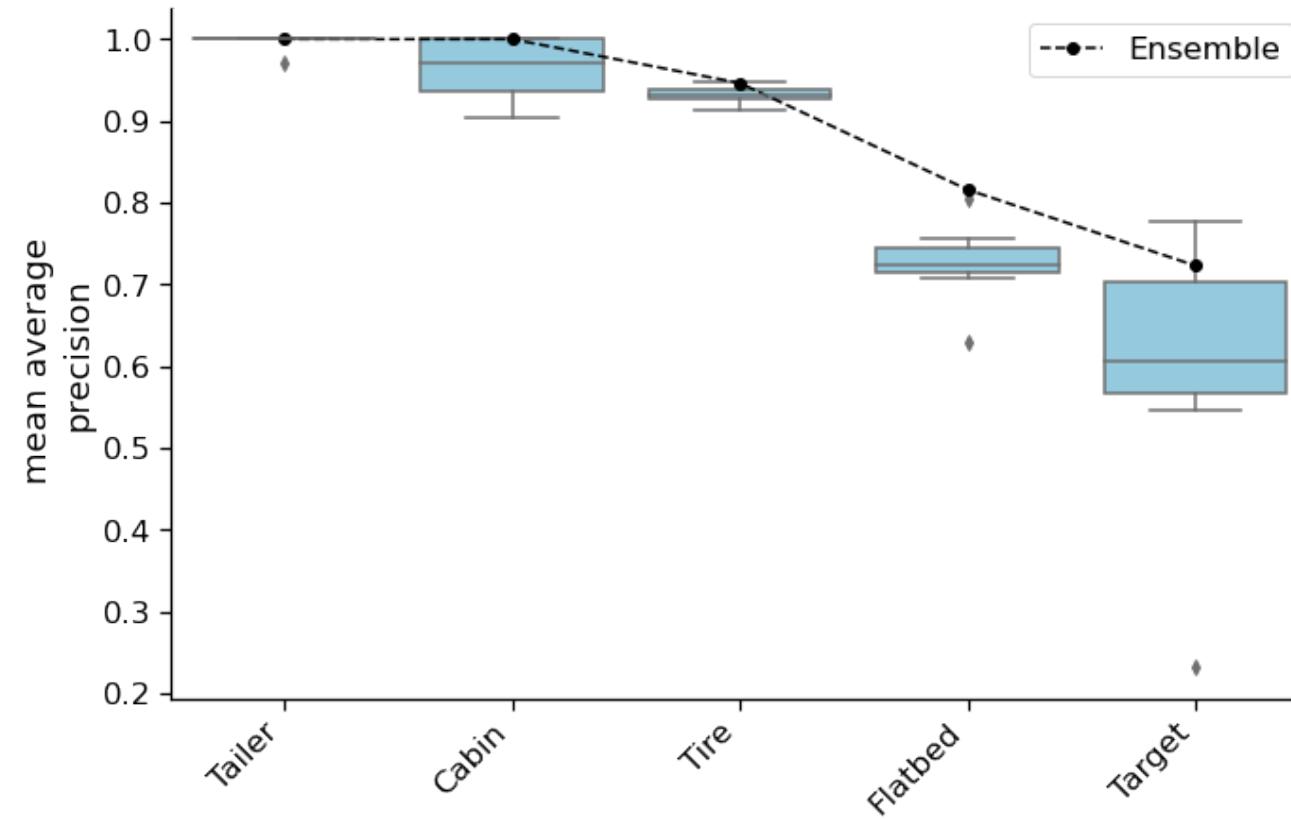


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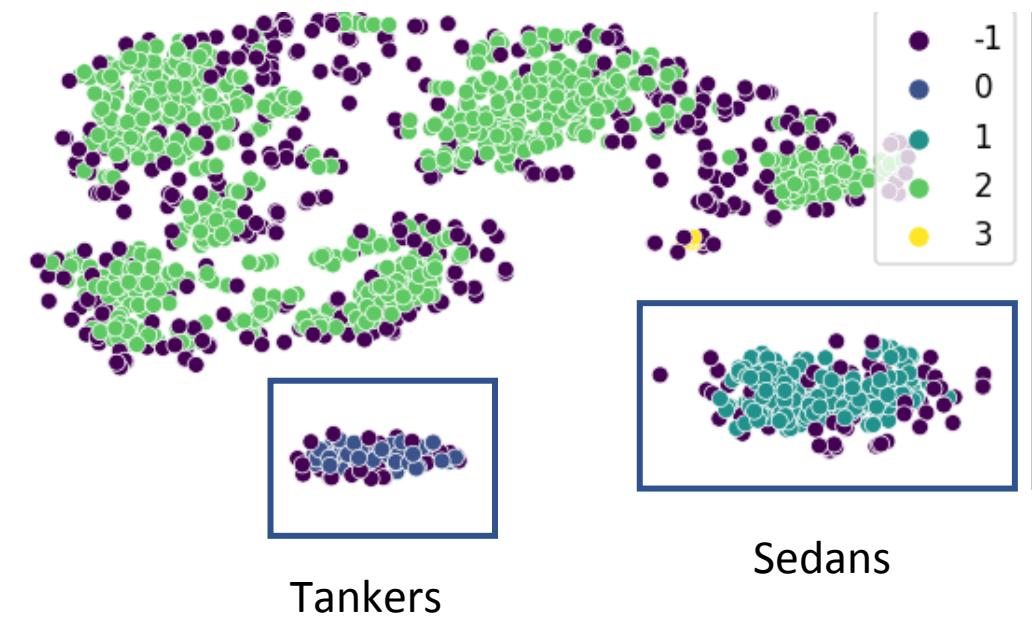
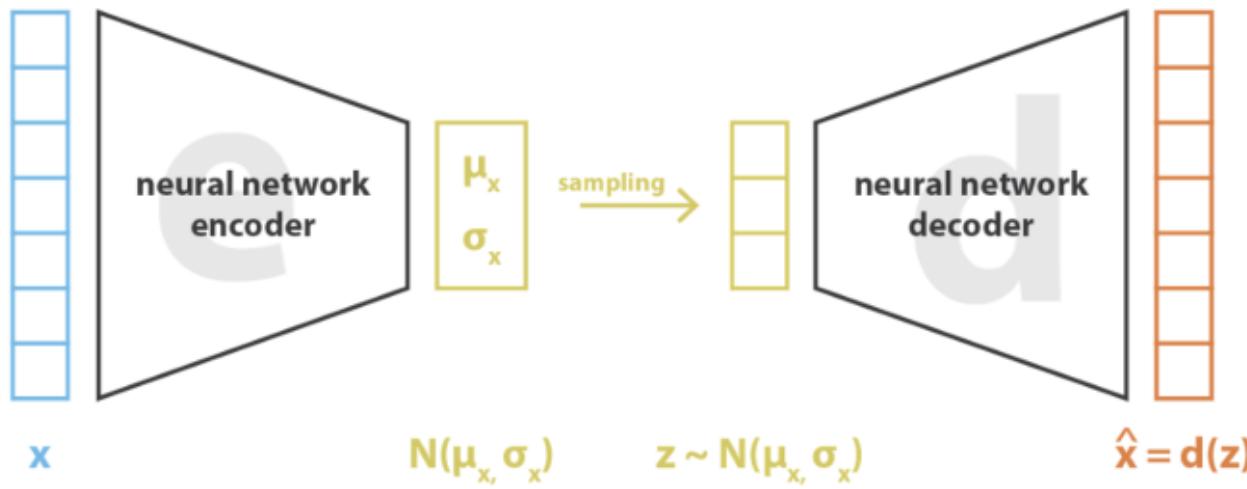


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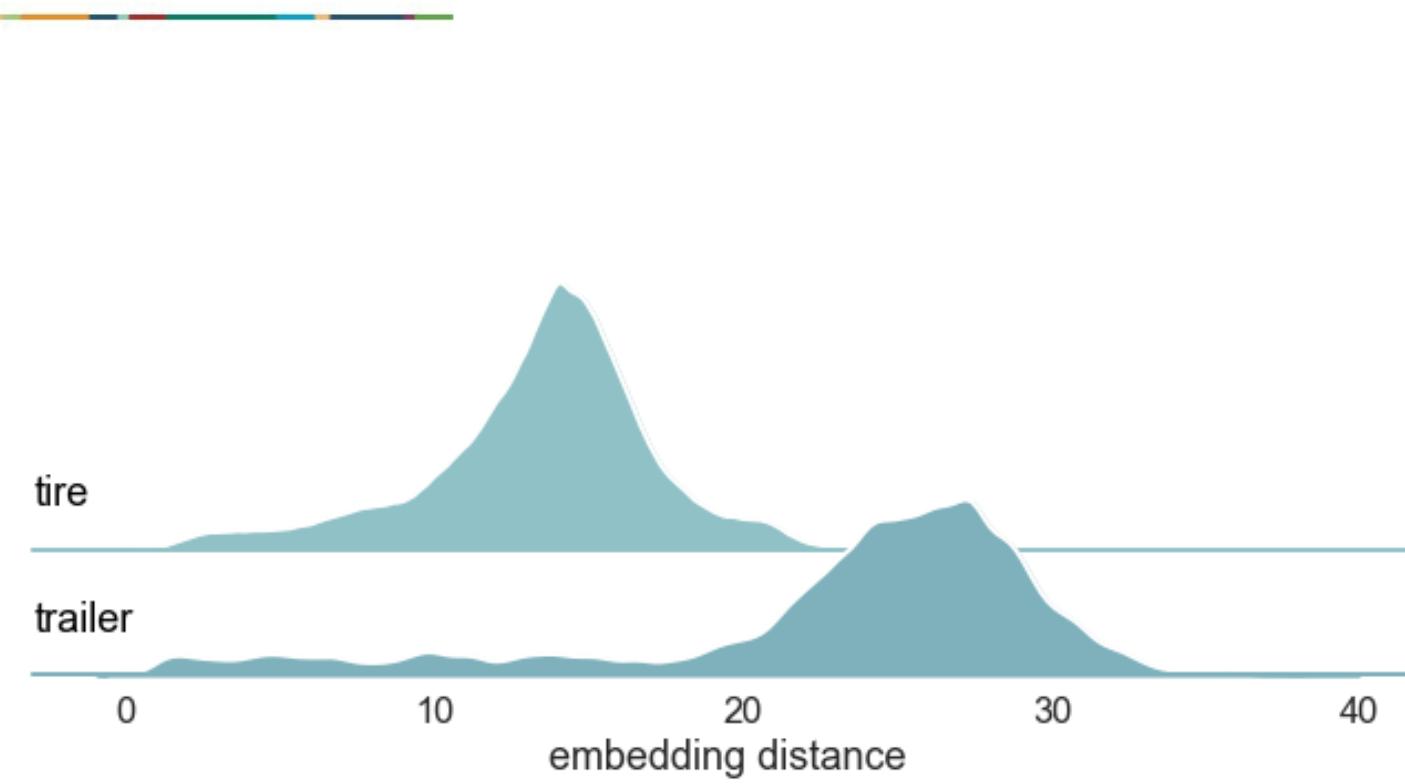


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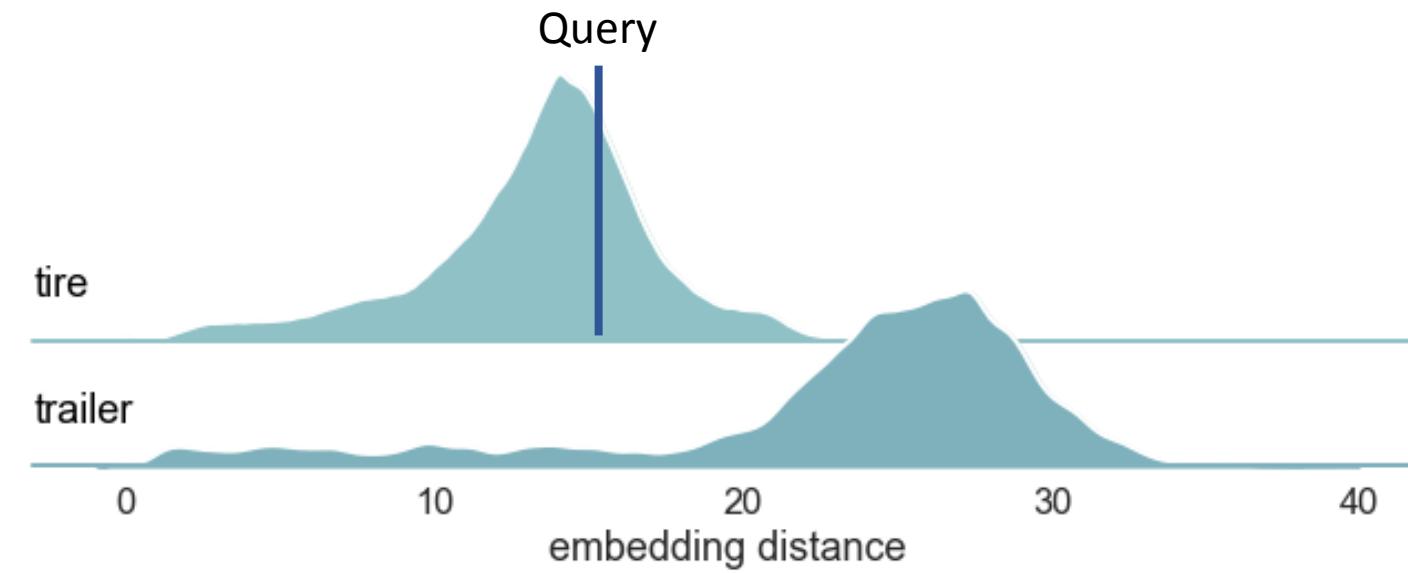
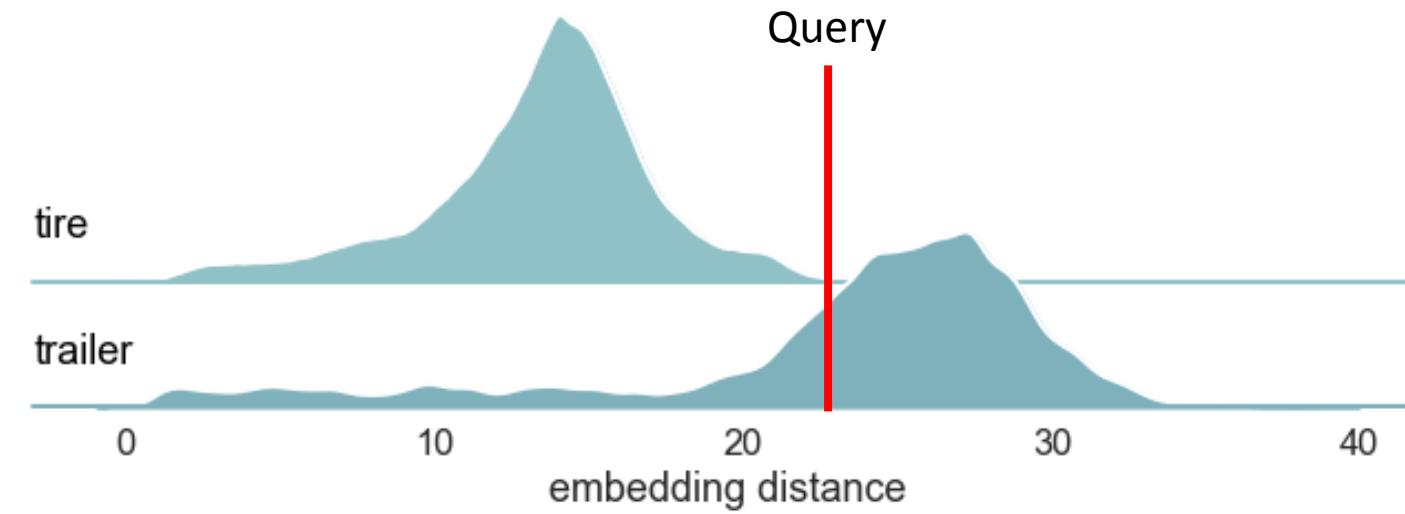


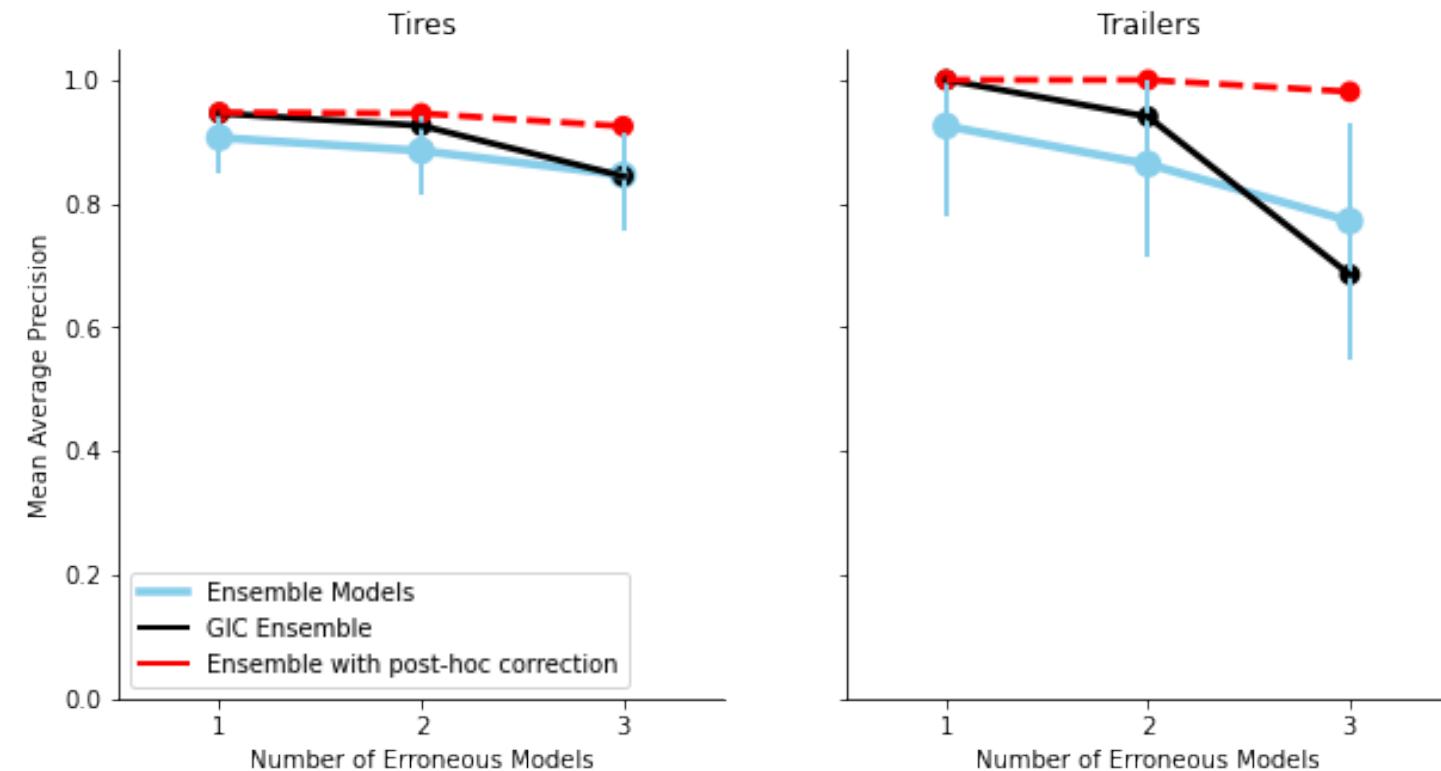
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Post-hoc Correction

Simple experiment:

- Run inference on our test dataset (Blue)
- For each ‘tire’ detection, swap the label to ‘trailer’ (probability 25%), and recalculate mAP (Black)
- Repeat the experiment, but before running the ensemble, expose trailer and tire inferences to the post-hoc similarity correction. Deprecate the confidence of potentially erroneous inferences prior to ensembling (Red)



Conclusions

Key Takeaways

- We can develop trusted and resilient systems for NII
- using off the shelf capabilities
- The judicious combination of tools in scalable ways
- will be the key to widespread adoption
- Ensembles of object detection models are fast to train and implement
- Post-hoc correction using image similarity or any other distribution style test may provide orthogonal checks and balances

