# Learning to Select Views for Efficient Multi-View Understanding

Supplementary Material



Figure 1. Example of multi-view camera setups. Left: multiview classification jointly considers multiple camera views (blue dots) to identify the object. **Right**: multi-view detection estimates pedestrian occupancy from multiple cameras (blue FoV maps) over bird's-eye-view (bottom colored image). For both classification and detection tasks, due to hardware constraints, camera layouts are usually pre-defined.

## 1. MVSelect Architecture

As shown in Fig. 2, we design MVSelect architecture  $d(\cdot)$  with two branches. The first branch expands the camera selection result  $s_t^{\text{cam}} \in \mathbb{R}^N$  into *D*-dimensional learnable camera embeddings, and then sums over the selected embeddings to formulate a hidden vector. The second branch processes the observation  $s_t^{\text{obs}} \in \mathbb{R}^D$ , and converts that into another hidden vector. By combining the two hidden vectors, MVSelect outputs the action-value Q(s, a), which measures the expected cumulative rewards for taking an action a in a given state s.



Figure 2. MVSelect architecture.

#### 2. Additional Details on Experimental Setup

**Datasets.** We verify the performance of the proposed approach on multiview classification and detection tasks.

*ModelNet40* is a subset of 3D CAD models in ModelNet [17]. It includes 40 categories of synthetic 3D objects with

9,843 training models and 2,468 test models. For multiview classification experiments, we use two different configurations: the *12-view* circular configuration from MVCNN [13] and the *20-view* dodecahedral configuration from RotationNet [9].

*ScanObjectNN* is a 3D dataset scanned from real-world objects. Introduced by Uy et al. [15], it contains 2902 3D objects across 15 categories. Traditionally used for point cloud classification, we re-purpose this dataset for multiview classification by rendering textured meshes from the point clouds and use the same 12 views setup as Model-Net40 [13, 17].

*Wildtrack* [2] is a real-world multiview detection dataset with 7 camera views covering a  $12 \times 36$  square meter area, which is represented as a  $480 \times 1440$  grid from BEV. It contains 360 frames for training and 40 frames for testing.

*MultiviewX* [8] is a synthetic multiview detection dataset created using the Unity [14] engine. It has 6 cameras with higher pedestrian density than Wildtrack. It focuses on a  $16 \times 25$  square meter area, which is discretized into  $640 \times$ 1000 BEV grid. Like Wildtrack, MultiviewX also contains 360 training frames and 40 testing frames.

**Evaluation metrics.** For multiview classification, we follow previous methods [6, 9, 11, 16, 19, 20] and report instance-averaged accuracy as the primary indicator.

Regarding multiview detection, we report the following metrics: multi-object detection accuracy (MODA), multiobject detection precision (MODP), precision, and recall [10]. During evaluation, we first compute false positives (FP), false negatives (FN), and true positives (TP), and then use them to calculate the metrics. Specifically, MODA is calculated as  $1 - \frac{FP+FN}{GT}$ , where GT is the number of ground truth pedestrians. MODP is calculated as  $\frac{\sum 1 - \text{dist}[\text{dist} < \text{thres}]/\text{thres}}{TP}$ , where dist is the distance from the estimated pedestrian location to its ground truth and thres is the threshold of 0.5 meters. MODP indicates the BEV localization accuracy. Precision and recall are calculated as  $\frac{TP}{TP+FP}$  and  $\frac{TP}{TT}$ , respectively.

All metrics are reported in percentages.

## 3. Evaluation against State-of-the-Arts

In Table 1, we compare our implementations of MVCNN [13] and MVDet [8] with their original implementations and state-of-the-art methods. On 3 datasets and 4 settings, our implementations outperform the original implementations and achieve competitive results. Although our focus is not on improving these classic architectures, the results indicate that they can still serve as strong baselines.

Table 1. Performance comparison with state-of-the-art multiview classification and multiview detection methods. Results are averaged from 5 runs. \* indicates that the camera poses are dynamically chosen and do not follow a pre-defined layout. We also report the MVSelect and task network joint training results in the last line.

	ModelNet40 [17]			Wildtrack [2]			MultiviewX [8]				
	12 views	20 views		MODA	MODP	prec.	recall	MODA	MODP	prec.	recall
MVCNN [13]	90.1	92.0	RCNN & cluster [18]	11.3	18.4	68	43	18.7	46.4	63.5	43.9
GVCNN [4]	92.6	-	POM-CNN [5]	23.2	30.5	75	55	-	-	-	-
MHBN [20]	93.4	-	DeepMCD [3]	67.8	64.2	85	82	70	73	85.7	83.3
RotationNet [9]	-	94.7	Deep-Occlusion [1]	74.1	53.8	95	80	75.2	54.7	97.8	80.2
RelationNet [19]	94.3	97.3	MVDet [8]	88.2	75.7	94.7	93.6	83.9	79.6	96.8	86.7
ViewGCN [16]	-	97.6	SHOT [12]	90.2	76.5	96.1	94.0	88.3	82.0	96.6	91.5
MVTN* [6]	93.8	93.5	MVDeTr [7]	91.5	82.1	97.4	94.0	93.7	91.3	99.5	94.2
MVCNN (our implementation)	94.5	96.5	MVDet (our implementation)	90.0	80.9	95.4	94.5	93.0	90.3	98.7	94.4
MVCNN + MVSelect (2 views)	94.3	94.4	MVDet + MVSelect (3 views)	88.6	79.9	93.3	94.2	88.1	89.8	98.2	89.7

Compared to state-of-the-arts that use full N cameras, joint training the tasks network along with MVSelect gives competitive results while only using T = 2 or T = 3 cameras for multiview classification and multiview detection.

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