

Modeling of Dynamic Backgrounds by Type-2 Fuzzy Gaussian Mixture Models

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Abstract—Gaussian Mixture Models (GMMs) are the most popular techniques in background modeling but present some limitations when some dynamic changes occur like camera jitter, illumination changes, movement in the background. Furthermore, the GMM are initialized using a training sequence which may be noisy and/or insufficient to model correctly the background. All these critical situations generate false classification in the foreground detection mask due to the related uncertainty. In this context, we propose to model the background by using a Type-2 Fuzzy Gaussian Mixture Models. The interest is to introduce descriptions of uncertain parameters in the GMM. Experimental validation of the proposed method is performed and presented on a diverse set of RGB and infrared videos. Results show the relevance of the proposed approach.

Index Terms—Background Modeling, Gaussian Mixture Models, Foreground Detection.

I. INTRODUCTION

MANY video surveillance systems in visible spectrum [1], [2], [3] or infrared (IR) [4], [5], [6] need in the first step to detect moving objects in the scene. The basic operation used is the separation of the moving objects called foreground from the static information called the background. The process is called the background subtraction. In the literature, many background modeling methods have been developed and the most recent surveys can be found in [7], [8]. These background modeling methods can be classified in the following categories: Basic Background Modeling [9], [10], [11], Statistical Background Modeling [12], [13], [14] and Background Estimation [15], [16], [17]. Reading the literature, two remarks can be made: The most used models are the statistical ones due to their robustness to the critical situations. The first way to represent statistically the background is to assume that the history over time of intensity values of a pixel can be modeled by a single Gaussian (SG) [12]. However, a unimodal model cannot handle dynamic backgrounds when there are waving trees, water rippling or moving algae. To solve this problem, the Mixture of Gaussians (MOG) (or

Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM)) has been used to model dynamic backgrounds [13]. This model has some disadvantages. Background having fast variations cannot be accurately modeled with just a few Gaussians (usually 3 to 5), causing problems for sensitive detection. So, a non-parametric technique [14] was developed for estimating background probabilities at each pixel from many recent samples over time using Kernel density estimation (KDE) but it is time consuming. In [18], Subspace Learning using Principal Component Analysis (SL-PCA) is applied on N images to construct a background model, which is represented by the mean image and the projection matrix comprising the first p significant eigenvectors of PCA. In this way, foreground segmentation is accomplished by computing the difference between the input image and its reconstruction. These four models define the first category using basic statistical model. The second category uses more sophisticated statistical models as Support Vector Machines (SVM) [19], Support Vector Regression (SVR) [20] and Support Vector Data Description (SVDD) [21]. The third category generalizes the models of the first category as the single general Gaussian (SGG) [22], the mixture of general Gaussians (MOGG) [23] and subspace learning using Independent Component Analysis (SL-ICA) [24], [25] or using Incremental Non-negative Matrix Factorization (SL-INMF) [26], [27] or using Incremental Rank-(R1,R2,R3) Tensor (SL-IRT) [28]. The Table I shows an overview of the statistical background modeling. The first column indicates the categories and the second column the name of each method. Their corresponding acronym is indicated in the first parenthesis and the number of papers counted for each method in the second parenthesis. The third column gives the name of authors and the dates of the first related publication. We can see that the MOG (or GMM) with 100 papers is the most used and improved due to a good compromise between robustness and time/memory requirements. In the GMM initialization, an expectation-maximization (EM) algorithm is used and allows to estimate GMM parameters from a training sequence according to the maximum likelihood (ML) criterion. The GMM is completely certain once its parameters are specified. However, because of insufficient or noisy data in training sequence, the GMM may not accurately reflect the underlying distribution of the observations according to the ML estimation. It is problematical to use likelihoods that are themselves precise real numbers to evaluate GMM with uncertain parameters.

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TABLE I
STATISTICAL BACKGROUND MODELING: AN OVERVIEW

| Categories | Methods | Authors - Dates |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| First Category | Single Gaussian (SG) (5) | Wren <i>et al.</i> (1997) [12] |
| | Mixture of Gaussians (MOG - GMM) (~100) | Stauffer and Grimson (1999) [13] |
| | Kernel Density Estimation (KDE) (21) | Elgammal <i>et al.</i> (2000) [14] |
| | Principal Components Analysis (SL-PCA) (15) | Oliver <i>et al.</i> (1999) [18] |
| Second Category | Support Vector Machine (SVM) (3) | Lin <i>et al.</i> (2002) [19] |
| | Support Vector Regression (SVR) (2) | Wang <i>et al.</i> (2006) [20] |
| | Support Vector Data Description (SVDD) (5) | Tavakkoli <i>et al.</i> (2006) [21] |
| Third Category | Single General Gaussian (SGG) (3) | Kim <i>et al.</i> (2007) [22] |
| | Mixture of General Gaussians (MOGG) (3) | Allili <i>et al.</i> (2007) [23] |
| | Independent Component Analysis (SL-ICA) (2) | Yamazaki <i>et al.</i> (2006) [24] |
| | Incremental Non Negative Matrix Factorization (SL-INMF) (2) | Bucak <i>et al.</i> (2007) [26] |
| | Incremental Rank- (R_1, R_2, R_3) Tensor (SL-IRT) (1) | Li <i>et al.</i> (2008) [28] |

To solve this problem, we propose to model the background by using a Type-2 Fuzzy Gaussians Mixture Model (T2-FGMM) recently developed by Zeng *et al.* [29] to introduce descriptions of uncertain parameters in the GMM.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows: In the section II, we present briefly related works on GMM's improvements. In the section III, the T2-FGMM is used for background modeling. In the section IV, qualitative and quantitative experiments on RGB videos and infrared videos show that T2-FGMM outperforms the crisp GMM when dynamic changes occur. Finally, we present conclusions and perspectives in Section V.

II. RELATED WORKS

The original GMM for background modeling was proposed by Stauffer and Grimson [13] and present several advantages. Indeed, it can work without having to store an important set of input data in the running process. The multimodality of the model allows to tackle multimodal backgrounds and gradual illumination changes. Despite it, this model present some disadvantages: the number of Gaussians must be predetermined, the need for good initializations, the dependence of the results on the true distribution law which can be non-Gaussian and slow recovery from failures. Others limitations are the needs for a series of training frames absent of moving objects and the amount of memory required in this step. To alleviate these limitations, numerous improvements have been proposed over the recent years as shown by the different acronyms found like AKGMM [30], TLGMM [31], STGMM [32], SKMGM [33], TAPPMOG [34] and S-TAPPMOG [35]. All the developed improvements can be classified following the strategies used to be more robust to the critical situations met in video sequences [15]. The first strategies called intrinsic strategies consist to be more rigorous in the statistical sense or to introduce spatial and/or temporal constraint in the different step of the model. For example, some authors propose to determine automatically and

dynamically the number of Gaussians to be more robust to dynamic backgrounds [36], [37], [38], [39], [40], [41]. Other approaches use another algorithm for the initialization [42], [43] and allow presence of foreground objects in the training sequence [44]. For the maintenance, the learning rates are better set [45], [46] or adapt over time [47], [48]. For the foreground detection, some authors use a different measure for the matching test [42] or use a foreground model [49]. Another way to improve the efficiency and robustness of the original GMM consist in using extrinsic strategies. Some authors used Markov Random Fields [50], hierarchical approaches [51], multi-level approaches [52], multiple backgrounds [53], graph cuts [54], multilayer approaches [55] or specific post-processing [56]. A recent complete survey of these improvements can be found in [57]. However, none of these improvements consider the uncertainty related to insufficient or noisy data in training sequence. Nevertheless, due to this uncertainty, the GMM may not accurately reflect the underlying distribution of the observations according to the ML estimation. One way to take into account this uncertainty is to use fuzzy concepts with the GMM. A first approach developed by [58] consists in the fuzzy GMM (FGMM) that estimates its parameters based on the modified fuzzy cmeans algorithm. So, the FGMM focuses on the precise parameter estimation of GMMs using fuzzy approaches rather than modeling GMMs uncertain parameters. On the other hand, Type-2 fuzzy sets (T2-FSS) [59] provide a theoretically well-founded framework to handle GMMs uncertain parameters. Their recent success achieved in pattern recognition has been largely attributed to their three-dimensional membership functions (MFs) for modeling uncertainties. Recently, Zeng *et al.* [29] introduce the Type-2 fuzzy sets in the GMM and called it Type-2 Fuzzy Gaussian Mixture Model (T2-FGMM). Experimental validations made in [29] show the superiority of T2-FGMM in pattern classification. In this context, we propose to apply the T2-FGMM for background modeling to take into account the uncertainty.

III. BACKGROUND MODELING USING TYPE-2 FGMM

In this section, we apply the Type-2 FGMM to background modeling and explain it in the case of RGB videos but it can be apply to infrared videos too by reducing the dimension of the observation to one dimension.

A. Principle

Each pixel is characterized by its intensity in the RGB color space. So, the observation o is a vector X_t in the RGB space and $d=3$. Then, the GMM is composed of K mixture components of multivariate Gaussian as follows:

$$P(X_t) = \sum_{i=1}^K \omega_{i,t} \eta(X_t, \mu_{i,t}, \Sigma_{i,t}) \quad (1)$$

where the parameters are K is the number of distributions, $\omega_{i,t}$ is a weight associated to the i^{th} Gaussian at time t with mean $\mu_{i,t}$ and standard deviation $\Sigma_{i,t}$. η is a Gaussian probability density function:

$$\eta(X_t, \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(X_t - \mu)\Sigma^{-1}(X_t - \mu)} \quad (2)$$

For the T2-FGMM-UM, the multivariate Gaussian with uncertain mean vector is:

$$\eta(X_t, \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2} |\tilde{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp\left(\prod -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{X_{t,c} - \mu_c}{\sigma_c}\right)^2\right) \quad (3)$$

with $\tilde{\mu}_c \in [\underline{\mu}_c, \overline{\mu}_c]$ and $c \in \{R, G, B\}$.

For the T2-FGMM-UV, the multivariate Gaussian with uncertain variance vector is:

$$\eta(X_t, \mu, \tilde{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2} |\tilde{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp\left(\prod -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{X_{t,c} - \mu_c}{\sigma_c}\right)^2\right) \quad (4)$$

with $\tilde{\sigma}_c \in [\underline{\sigma}_c, \overline{\sigma}_c]$ and $c \in \{R, G, B\}$.

$\tilde{\mu}$ and $\tilde{\Sigma}$ denote uncertain mean vector and covariance matrix respectively. Because, there is no prior knowledge about the parameter uncertainty, practically Zeng et al. [29] assume that the mean and standard deviation vary within intervals with uniform possibilities, i.e., $\tilde{\mu} \in [\underline{\mu}, \overline{\mu}]$ or $\tilde{\sigma} \in [\underline{\sigma}, \overline{\sigma}]$. Each exponential component in (3) and (4) is the Gaussian primary membership function (MF) with uncertain

mean or standard deviation as shown in Fig. 1. The shaded region is the footprint of uncertainty (FOU). The thick solid and dashed lines denote the lower and upper MFs. In the Gaussian primary MF with uncertain mean, the upper MF is:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{h}(o) &= f(o; \underline{\mu}; \sigma) & \text{if } o < \underline{\mu} \\ \overline{h}(o) &= 1 & \text{if } \underline{\mu} \leq o \leq \overline{\mu} \\ \overline{h}(o) &= f(o; \overline{\mu}; \sigma) & \text{if } o > \overline{\mu} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} f(o, \underline{\mu}, \sigma) &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{o - \underline{\mu}}{\sigma}\right)^2\right) \\ &\text{and} \\ f(o, \overline{\mu}, \sigma) &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{o - \overline{\mu}}{\sigma}\right)^2\right) \end{aligned}$$

The lower MF is:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{h}(o) &= f(o; \overline{\mu}; \sigma) & \text{if } o \leq \frac{\mu + \overline{\mu}}{2} \\ \underline{h}(o) &= f(o; \underline{\mu}; \sigma) & \text{if } o > \frac{\mu + \overline{\mu}}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

In the Gaussian primary MF with uncertain standard deviation, the upper MF is $\underline{h}(o) = f(o; \mu; \overline{\sigma})$ and lower MF is $\overline{h}(o) = f(o; \mu; \underline{\sigma})$.

The factor k_m and k_v control the intervals in which the parameter vary as follows:

$$\underline{\mu} = \mu - k_m \sigma, \quad \overline{\mu} = \mu + k_m \sigma \quad (7)$$

$$\underline{\sigma} = k_v \sigma, \quad \overline{\sigma} = (1/k_v) \sigma \quad (8)$$

Because a one-dimensional gaussian has 99.7% of its probability mass in the range of $[\mu - 3\sigma, \mu + 3\sigma]$, Zeng et al [29] constrain $k_m \in [0, 3]$ and $k_v \in [0.3, 1]$. These factors also control the area of the FOU. The bigger k_m or k_v , the larger the FOU which implies the greater uncertainty.

Both the T2-FGMM-UM and T2-FGMM-UV can be used to model the background and we can expect that the T2-FGMM-UM will be more robust than the T2-FGMM-UV. Indeed, in the GMM maintenance, only the means are estimated and tracked correctly. The variance and the weights are unstable and unreliable as explained by Greiffenhagen et al. [60].

B. Training

Training the T2-FGMM consist to estimate the parameters μ , Σ and the factor k_m or k_v . Zeng et al. [29] set the factors k_m or k_v as constants according to prior knowledge and then in our application are fixed depending to the video. Thus, parameters estimation of T2 FGMM includes three steps:

- Step 1: Choose K between 3 and 5.
- Step 2: Estimate GMM parameters by an EM algorithm
- Step 3: Add the factor k_m or k_v to GMM to produce T2-FGMM-UM or T2-FGMM-UV.

Once the training is made, a first foreground detection can be processed.

C. Foreground Detection

Foreground detection consist to classify current pixel as background or foreground. By using the ratio $r_j = \omega_j / \sigma_j$, we firstly ordered the K Gaussians as in [13]. This ordering supposes that a background pixel corresponds to a high weight with a weak variance due to the fact that the background is more present than moving objects and that its value is practically constant. The first B Gaussian distributions which exceed certain threshold T are retained for a background distribution:

$$B = \arg \min_b \left(\sum_{i=1}^b \omega_{i,t} > T \right) \quad (9)$$

The other distributions are considered to represent a foreground distribution. When the new frame incomes at times $t+1$, a match test is made for each pixel. For this, we use the log-likelihood, and thus we are only concerned with the length between two bounds of the log-likelihood interval, i.e., $H(X_t) = |\ln(\underline{h}(X_t)) - \ln(\bar{h}(X_t))|$. In Fig 1. (a), the Gaussian primary MF with uncertain mean has:

$$H(X_t) = 2k_m |X_t - \mu| / \sigma$$

if $X_t \leq \mu - k_m \sigma$ or $X_t \geq \mu + k_m \sigma$

$$(10)$$

$$H(X_t) = |X_t - \mu|^2 / 2\sigma^2 + k_m |X_t - \mu| / \sigma + k_m^2 / 2$$

if $\mu - k_m \sigma < X_t < \mu + k_m \sigma$

In Fig 1.(b), the Gaussian primary MF with uncertain standard deviation has

$$H(X_t) = (1/k_v^2 - k_v^2) |X_t - \mu|^2 / 2\sigma^2 \quad (11)$$

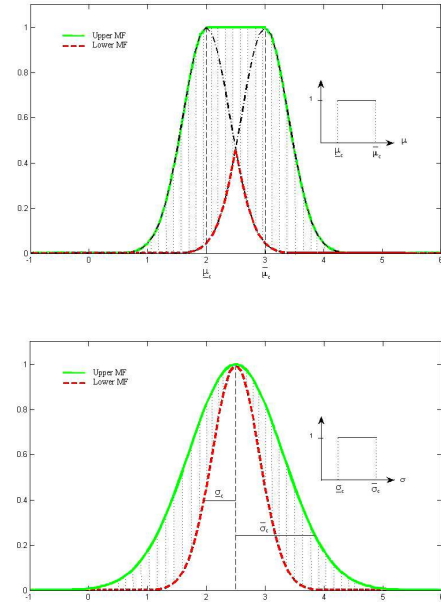


Fig. 1. The upper image shows the Gaussian primary MF with uncertain mean and the lower image shows the Gaussian primary MF with uncertain std. Both of them have uniform possibilities. The hatched region is the FOU. The thick solid and dashed lines denote the upper and the lower MFs respectively.

μ and σ are the mean and the std of the original certain T1 MF without uncertainty. Both (10) and (11) are increasing functions in terms of the deviation $|X_t - \mu|$. For example, given a fixed k_m , the farther the X_t deviates from μ , the larger $H(X_t)$ is in (12), which reflects a higher extent of the likelihood uncertainty. This relationship accords with the outlier analysis. If the outlier X_t deviates farther from the center of the class-conditional distribution, it has a larger $H(X_t)$ showing its greater uncertainty to the class model. So, a pixel is ascribed to a Gaussian if:

$$H(X_t) < k \quad (12)$$

where k is a constant threshold equal to 2.5. Then, two cases can occur: (1) A match is found with one of the K Gaussians. In this case, if the Gaussian distribution is identified as a background one, the pixel is classified as background else the pixel is classified as foreground. (2) No match is found with any of the K Gaussians. In this case, the pixel is classified as foreground. At this step, a binary mask is obtained. Then, to make the next foreground detection, the parameters must be updated.

D. Maintenance

The T2-FGMM Maintenance is made as in the original GMM [13] as follows:

- Case 1: A match is found with one of the K Gaussians. For the matched component, the update is done as follows:

$$\omega_{i,t+1} = (1 - \alpha)\omega_{i,t} + \alpha \quad (13)$$

where α is a constant learning rate.

$$\mu_{i,t+1} = (1 - \rho)\mu_{i,t} + \rho X_{t+1} \quad (14)$$

$$\sigma_{i,t+1}^2 = (1 - \rho)\sigma_{i,t}^2 + \rho(X_{t+1} - \mu_{i,t+1})(X_{t+1} - \mu_{i,t+1})^T \quad (15)$$

$$\text{where } \rho = \alpha \eta(X_{t+1}, \mu_i, \Sigma_i) \quad (16)$$

For the unmatched components, μ and Σ are unchanged, only the weight is replaced by $\omega_{j,t+1} = (1 - \alpha)\omega_{j,t}$ (17).

- Case 2: No match is found with any of the K Gaussians. In this case, the least probable distribution k is replaced with a new one with parameters:

$$\omega_{k,t+1} = \text{Low Prior Weight} \quad (18)$$

$$\mu_{k,t+1} = X_{t+1} \quad (19)$$

$$\sigma_{k,t+1}^2 = \text{Large Initial Variance} \quad (20)$$

Once a background maintenance is made, another foreground detection can be processed.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

We have applied the T2-FGMM-UM and T2-FGMM-UV algorithms in different dynamic backgrounds in the visible and beyond the visible spectrum. In these scenes, the four main types of dynamic backgrounds appear: camera jitter, waving trees, water rippling and water surface. On a 3 GHz Intel Pentium Duo processor with 2 GB RAM, an optimized implementation of the proposed approach can process about 11 fps for a frame size of 240*360. All the algorithms were implemented under Microsoft Visual C++ using the OpenCV library. Firstly, qualitative comparative results with the original mixture of Gaussians method [13] are shown then a quantitative evaluation is presented. For the proposed algorithms, the best results are obtained by setting $k_m = 2$ and $k_v = 0.9$.

A. Qualitative Analysis

Qualitative results on six sequences of dynamic scenes are presented in this section. Four sequences concern outdoor scenes in RGB videos [62] [64] and two sequences in infrared videos[65].

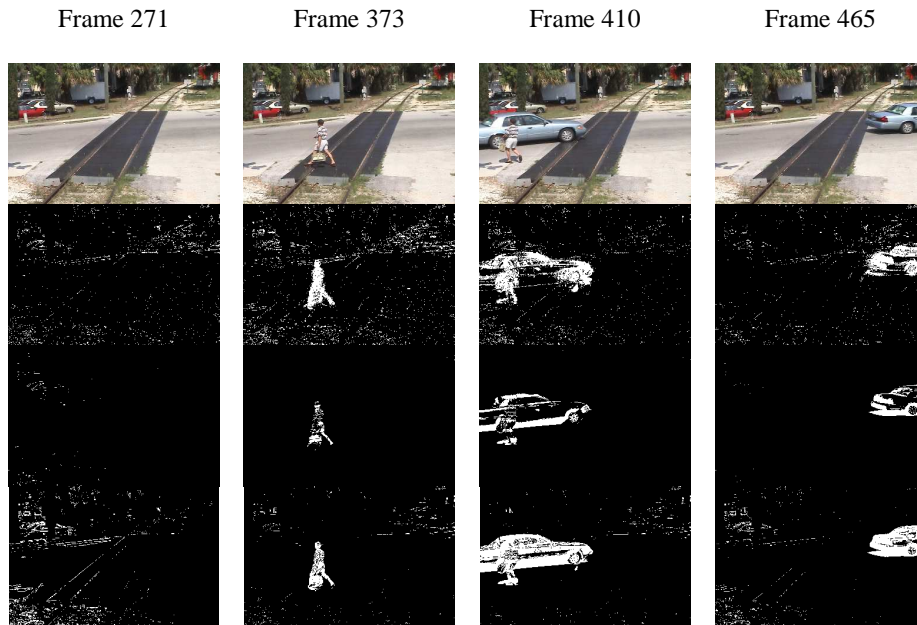


Fig. 2. Camera jitter: The first row are the original images, the second row are the results obtained by using the GMM [13], the third row are the result obtained using the T2-FGMM-UM and the fourth row are the result obtained by using the T2-FGMM-UV.

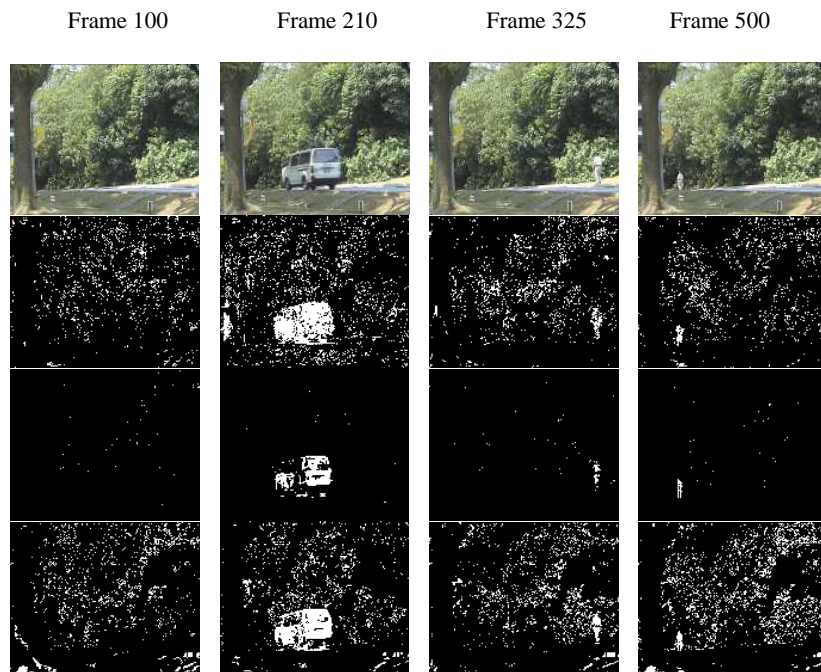


Fig. 3. The first row shows the original frames for Campus sequences. The second row presents the segmented images obtained by the GMM [13]. The third and the fourth rows illustrate the result obtained using the T2-FGMM-UM and the T2-FGMM-UV respectively.

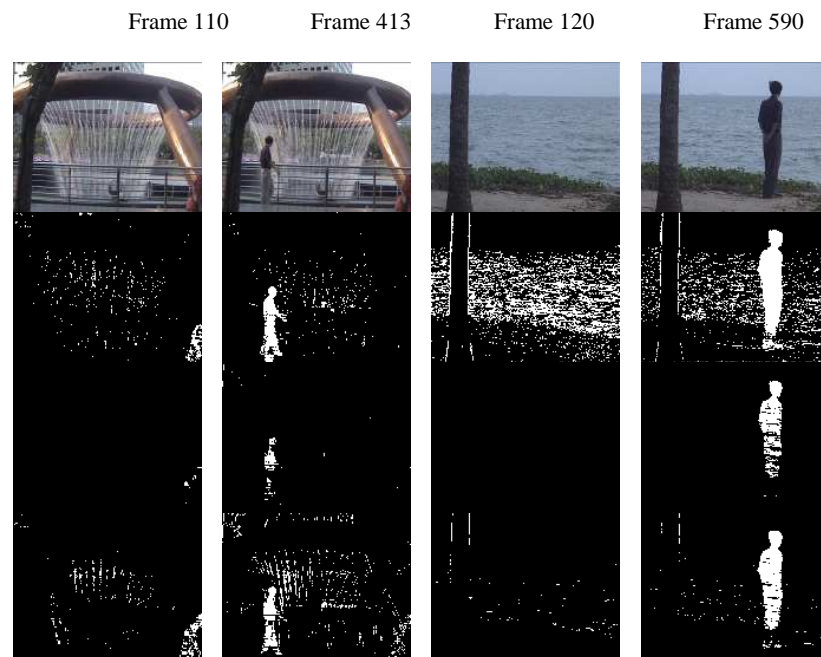


Fig. 4. The first row shows the original frames for Fountain and Water Surface sequences. The second row presents the segmented images obtained by the GMM [13]. The third and the fourth rows illustrate the result obtained using the T2-FGMM-UM and the T2-FGMM-UV respectively.

1) *RGB Videos*

We have tested our method on the sequence Camera Jitter which comes from [61] downloadable at [62]. We have also tested our method on the sequences Campus, Fountain and Water Surface which come from [63] downloadable at [64]. Fig. 2 shows the robustness of T2-FGMM-UM against camera jitter and respectively Fig. 3 for the waving trees (Campus sequence) and Fig. 4 for the water rippling (Fountain sequence) and water surface (Water Surface sequence). In each case, the T2-FGMM-UM gives the best result followed by the T2-FGMM-UV and the GMM. These different experiments confirm that to take into account the uncertainty using T2-FGMM performs the GMM. Furthermore, the T2-FGMM-UM is more robust than the T2F-GMM-UV like supposed in Section III.

2) *Infrared Videos*

We have tested the proposed algorithm on the Terravic datasets [65]. We have chosen the two sequences called Uneventful Background Motion because they present dynamic backgrounds as waving vegetations. In this sequence, nothing must be detected. The Fig. 5 shows the result obtained using the GMM, the T2-FGMM-UM and the T2-FGMM-UV on the frame 150 of the sequence IRTR01. The Fig. 6 shows the same experiments on the frame 150 of the sequence IRTR02.

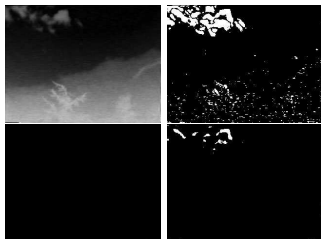


Fig. 5. Sequence IRTR01 - First row: The current image, Result with the GMM [47] Second Row: Result with T2-FGMM-UM, Result with T2-FGMM-UV

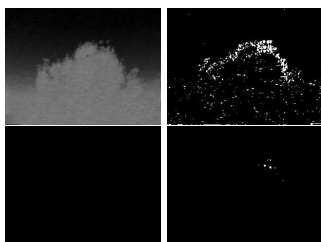


Fig. 6. Sequence IRTR02 - First row: The current image, Result with the GMM [47]. Second Row: Result with T2-FGMM-UM, Result with T2-FGMM-UV

The motion causes substantial false positive detection in the GMM. The more robust is the T2-FGMM-UM followed by the T2-FGMM-UV. These results confirm the robustness of the proposed method in the presence of dynamic backgrounds in infrared videos.

B. *Quantitative Analysis*

1) *RGB Videos*

In order to provide a quantitative perspective about the quality of foreground detection with our approach, we have used a test sequence and the corresponding ground-truth segmentation from [61]. This outdoor sequence involved a camera mounted on a tall tripod and was available. The wind caused the tripod to sway back and forth causing nominal motion in the scene. To be more complete, we have compared our method to the GMM, and two improved versions: The first one was developed by Bowden et al. [47] and performed the initialization and maintenance of the GMM's parameters. The second one was proposed by Zivkovic et al. [36] and allowed to adapt the number of Gaussian K overtime. In Fig. 7, the first row shows different current image and the second row shows the corresponding ground truth. The third row shows the results obtained by the Bowden's GMM. The fourth and the fifth rows show respectively the results obtained by the corresponding T2-FGMM-UM and T2-FGMM-UV versions. The sixth row shows the results obtained by the Zivkovic's GMM. The seventh and eighth rows show respectively the results obtained by the corresponding T2-FGMM-UM and T2-FGMM-UV versions. Table II, Table III and Table IV show the performance in term on False Positive (FP), False Negative (FN) and Total Error (TE) and Fig. 8 show graphically these results. In each case, the T2-FGMM-UM and T2-FGMM-UV give less error than the corresponding original crisp version and the T2FGMM-UM appears the best algorithm for object/target detection.

2) *Infrared Videos*

For the evaluation beyond the visible spectrum, we have used the Dataset 01: OSU Thermal Pedestrian Database which comes from the OTCBVS 2009 dataset [66]. The Fig. 9 shows the results obtained on the Sequence 1 using the GMM [47], the T2-FGMM-UM and the T2-FGMM-UV on the frame 27. Silhouettes are well detected by the three algorithms but the T2-FGMM-UM gives less false detection followed by the T2-FGMM-UV and the crisp GMM. Then, to evaluate quantitatively our method, we have used the similarity measure derived by Li et al. [63]. Let A be a detected region and B be the corresponding ground truth, the similarity between A and B can be defined as:

$$S(A, B) = \frac{A \cap B}{A \cup B} \tag{21}$$

If A and B are the same, S (A,B) approaches 1, otherwise 0 i.e. A and B have the least similarity. The ground truth is marked manually. Table V shows similarity value obtained for this experiment. It confirms the qualitative evaluation.

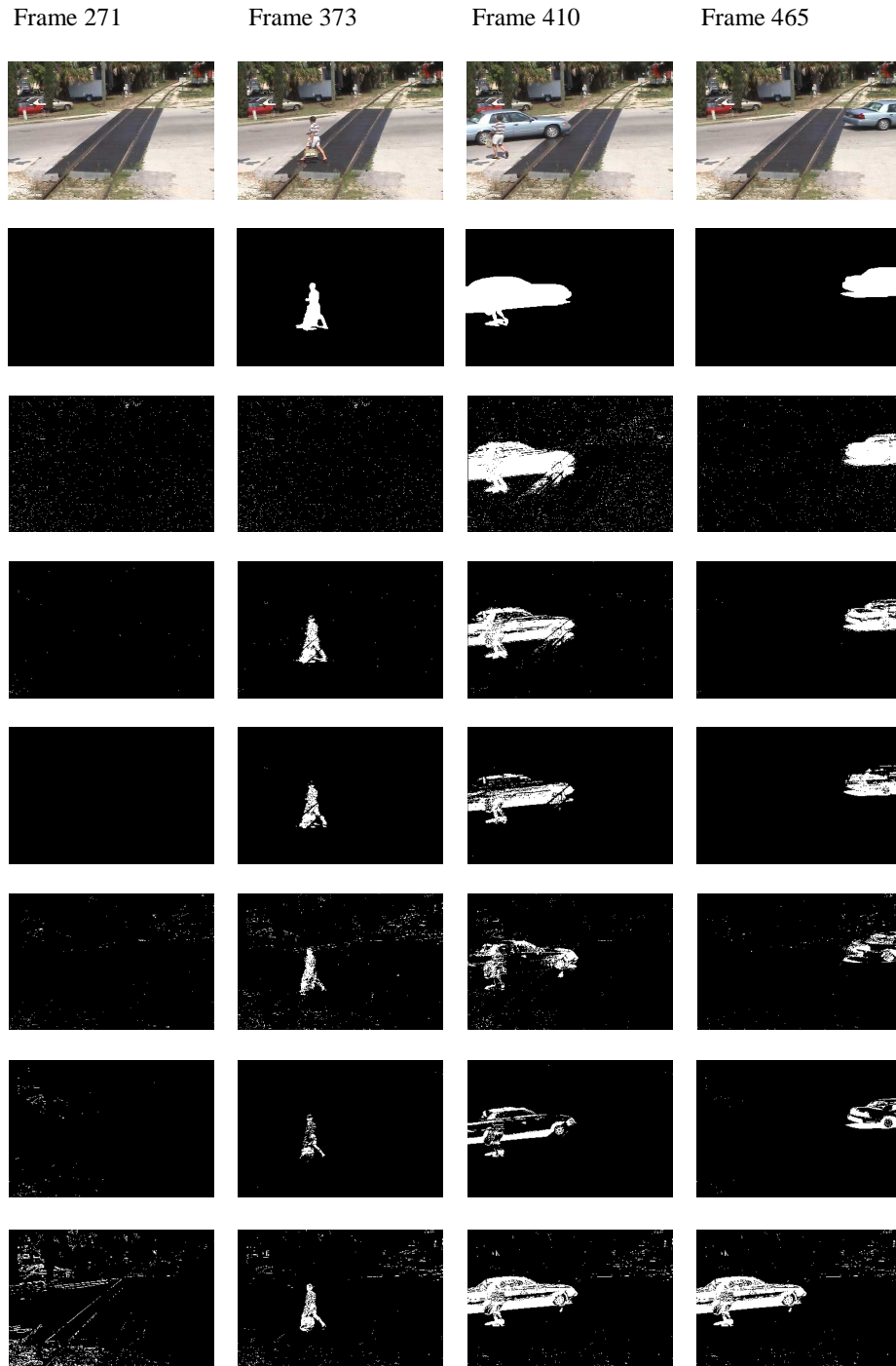


Fig. 7. Camera jitter. The first row shows the original images and the second row the corresponding ground truth. In the third, the fourth and the fifth rows respectively, the segmented images by the Bowden's GMM [47], the T2-FGMM-UM and T2-FGMM-UV versions are shown. The sixth, the seventh and the eighth rows present respectively the segmented images by the Zivkovic's GMM [36], the T2 FGMM-UM and T2 FGMM-UV versions.

TABLE II
PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS WITH GMM FROM STAUFFER AND GRIMSON [13]

| Method | Error Type | Fr. 271 | Fr. 373 | Fr. 410 | Fr. 465 | Total Error |
|-------------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| GMM Stauffer [13] | FN | 0 | 1120 | 4818 | 2050 | 18576 |
| | FP | 2093 | 4124 | 2782 | 1589 | |
| T2-GMM-UM | FN | 0 | 1414 | 6043 | 2520 | 10631 |
| | FP | 203 | 153 | 252 | 46 | |
| T2-GMM-UV | FN | 0 | 957 | 2217 | 1069 | 10670 |
| | FP | 3069 | 1081 | 1119 | 1158 | |

TABLE III
PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS WITH THE MODIFIED GMM FROM BOWDEN ET AL. [47]

| Method | Error Type | Fr. 271 | Fr. 373 | Fr. 410 | Fr. 465 | Total Error |
|-----------------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| GMM Bowden et al.[47] | FN | 0 | 265 | 637 | 413 | 7830 |
| | FP | 1034 | 1359 | 3308 | 814 | |
| T2-GMM-UM | FN | 0 | 522 | 2179 | 1251 | 5185 |
| | FP | 37 | 287 | 787 | 122 | |
| T2-GMM-UV | FN | 0 | 757 | 4130 | 1818 | 7140 |
| | FP | 0 | 162 | 252 | 21 | |

TABLE IV
PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS WITH THE MODIFIED GMM FROM ZIVKOVIC [36]

| Method | Error Type | Fr. 271 | Fr. 373 | Fr. 410 | Fr. 465 | Total Error |
|-------------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| GMM Zivkovic [36] | FN | 0 | 1152 | 6688 | 3009 | 13981 |
| | FP | 341 | 1404 | 1077 | 310 | |
| T2-GMM-UM | FN | 8 | 1414 | 6043 | 2520 | 10635 |
| | FP | 204 | 154 | 252 | 48 | |
| T2-GMM-UV | FN | 0 | 957 | 2216 | 1068 | 10680 |
| | FP | 3072 | 1082 | 1119 | 1166 | |

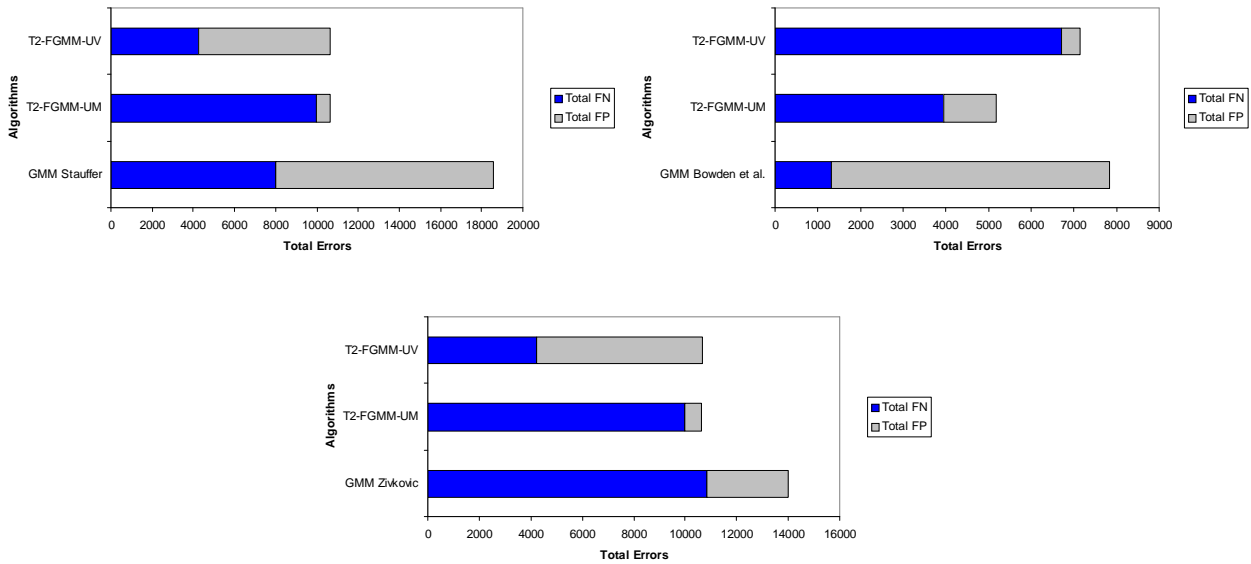


Fig. 8. Performance analysis The upper left image shows the performance of the GMM [13] and their corresponding T2-FGMM-UM and T2-FGMM-UV versions. The upper right image shows the performance of the Bowden's GMM [47], the T2-FGMM-UM and T2-FGMM-UV versions. The lower image the shows the performance of Zivkovic's GMM [36], the T2 FGMM-UM and T2 FGMM-UV versions.

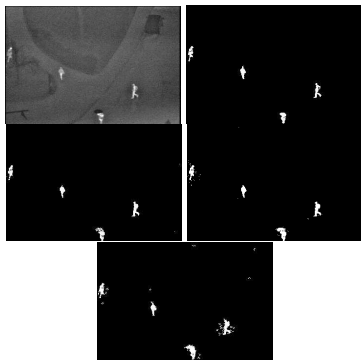


Fig. 9. Sequence OSU - First row: The current image, the ground truth. Second row: Results with T2-FGMM-UM and the T2-FGMM-UV respectively. Third row: Result with the GMM [47].

TABLE V
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| Method | T2-FGMM-UM | T2-FGMM-UV | GMM [47] |
|-----------|------------|------------|----------|
| $S(A, B)$ | 48% | 43% | 36% |

V. CONCLUSION

In this work, we have modeled the background by using a Type-2 Fuzzy Gaussian Mixture Models. Experimental validations on RGB and infrared videos show very satisfactory performance and more robustness than the crisp GMM in difficult environments. The proposed approach also addresses most of the four main dynamic backgrounds: Camera jitter, waving trees, water rippling and water surface. The T2-FGMM-UM is more robust than the T2-FGMM-UV due to a better estimation of the mean than the variance.

This work confirms the pertinence of the fuzzy concepts in the field of background subtraction. Future works concern applications of fuzzy concepts in other steps of background subtraction like in the background initialization, the background maintenance and the foreground detection.

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