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Figure 3. Plots a, b, c, and d show the performance evaluations for the MPII-Cooking dataset. Plot (a) compares state-of-the-art batch and incremental methods against the three variants of the proposed approach. These variants are No Context (it only uses the appearance features with a svm classifier), A-A context (it uses the spatial-temporal inter-relationship contexts of the activities represented by a CRF), and A-A-C context (it uses both of the associated object contexts and spatial-temporal inter-relationship context represented by a CRF). A-A-C test case performs better than all other methods with very less amount of manually labeled data. Plot (b) analyzes the performances of the four variants of our proposed active learning system. These variants are based on the use of two types of teachers. These variants are Strong Teacher (it manually labels a fraction of the incoming instances), Weak Teacher (it does not use any manually labeled data, only uses the highly confident labels provided by the classifier), Strong+Weak Teacher (it uses the labels provided by both of the above teachers.), and All Instances (it is the most expensive case, where all of the instances are manually labeled). Performance of the Strong+Weak Teacher is almost similar to All Instances but with very less amount of manually labeled data. It proves the robustness of our proposed framework. Plot (c) compares our proposed context aware active learning system (CAAL) against the recent active learning methods and random sampling. CAAL uses the labels provided by both of the strong and the weak teachers. Recent active learning methods are - incremental activity modeling (IAM), uncertainty of the nodes (Entropy), and expected change of gradients (ECG). Our proposed active learning system performs better than other active learning approaches. Plot (d) compares the accuracy against the amount of manual labeling. NC does not use any context information, whereas AAC use both of the spatial-temporal and the object contexts. NC+All and AAC+All test cases use all manually labeled data. It is evident that AAC+CAAL uses approximately forty percent manually labeled data in order to achieve similar performance comparing to batch method that use all manually labeled data.

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Figure 4. Plots a, b, c, and d show the performance evaluations for the UCF50 dataset. Plot (a) compares state-of-the-art batch and incremental methods against the three variants of the proposed approach. These variants are No Context (it only uses the appearance features with a softmax classifier) and A-A context (it uses the spatial-temporal inter-relationship contexts of the activities represented by a CRF). A-A test case performs better than all other methods with very less amount of manually labeled data. Plot (b) analyzes the performances of the four variants of our proposed active learning system. These variants are based on the use of two types of teachers. These variants are Strong Teacher (it manually labels a fraction of the incoming instances), Weak Teacher (it does not use any manually labeled data, only uses the highly confident labels provided by the classifier), Strong+Weak Teacher (it uses the labels provided by both of the above teachers.), and All Instances (it is the most expensive case, where all of the instances are manually labeled). Performance of the Strong+Weak Teacher is almost similar to All Instances but with very less amount of manually labeled data. It proves the robustness of our proposed framework. Plot (c) compares our proposed context aware active learning system (CAAL) against the recent active learning methods and random sampling. CAAL uses the labels provided by both of the strong and the weak teachers. Recent active learning methods are - incremental activity modeling (IAM), uncertainty of the nodes (Entropy), and expected change of gradients (ECG). Our proposed active learning system performs better than other active learning approaches. Plot (d) compares the accuracy against the amount of manual labeling. NC does not use any context information, whereas AAC use both of the spatial-temporal and the object contexts. NC+All and AAC+All test cases use all manually labeled data.

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2. Dataset Description

542 2.1. VIRAT

Description	The VIRAT dataset is a state-of-the-art human action dataset with many challenging characteristics such as wide variation in the activities and a high amount of occlusion and clutter. It consists of surveillance videos such as parking lot videos involving single vehicle activities, person and vehicle interactions, and people interactions. There are also some group activities. This dataset consists of scenes captured on a single camera although the viewpoint can differ from one scene to the next. In any scene, the activities can occur at different orientations depending on the location. However, since these are wide-area videos, persons of interest are usually for away from the camera
Number of Scenes	11
Number of Secure	220
Number of Sequences	529
Number of Activities	1555
Number of Activity Types	11
Activity Types	Loading an object to a vehicle, Unloading an object from a vehicle, Opening a vehicle trunk, Closing a vehicle trunk, Getting into a vehicle, Getting out of a vehicle, Gesturing, Person carrying an object, Person running, Person entering a facility, and Person exiting a facility.
Associated Object Types	Person, Car, Vehicle, Carrying objects, and Bike.
Video Resolution	1920 × 1080
Total Video Duration	About 5 hours
Wild?	Yes
Segmented?	No
Background	Fixed for a sequence
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2.2. UCLA-Office

Description	The UCLA office dataset consists of indoor and outdoor videos of sin-
-	gle and two-person activities. Here, we perform experiments on the lab
	scene containing close to 35 minutes of video captured with a single
	fixed camera in a room. There is very little variation in viewpoint, oc-
	clusion and scale here. Each activity occurs 6 to 15 times in the dataset.
Number of Scenes	1
Number of Sequences	3
Number of Activities	157
Number of Activity Types	10
Activity Types	EnterRoom, ExitRoom, SitDown, StandUp, WorkLaptop, WorkPaper,
	ThrowTrash, PourDrink, PickPhone, PlacePhone.
Associated Object Types	Laptop, Phone, Paper, Trash, etc.
Video Resolution	1280×720
Total Video Duration	35 minutes
Wild?	No
Segmented?	No
Background	Fixed

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Description	This dataset contains fine-grained cooking activities in an indoor set-
	tings. 12 participants performed 65 different cooking activities. Partic-
	ipants were asked to prepare one to six of a total of 14 dishes such as
	fruit salad or cake containing several cooking activities. Activities have
	low inter-class variability and high intra-class variability due to diverse
	subjects and cooking ingredients. However, activities have very little
	occlusion, clutter, or change of viewpoints.
Number of Subjects	12
Number of Sequences	44
Number of Activities	5609
Number of Activity Types	65
Activity Types	background, changeTemp, cutApart, cutDice, cutIn, cutOffEnds,
	cutOutInside, cutSlices, cutStripes, dry, fillWaterFromTap, grate, lid-
	PutOn, lidRemove, mix, move, openEgg, openTin, openCloseCup-
	board, openCloseDrawer, openCloseFridge, openCloseOven, pack-
	age, peel, plugInOut, pour, pullOut, puree, putInBowl, putInPanPot,
	putOnBreadDough, putOnCuttingBoard, putOnPlate, read, remove-
	FromPackage, ripOpen, scratchOff, screwClose, screwOpen, shake,
	smell, spice, spread, squeeze, stamp, stir, strew, takePutInCupboard,
	takePutInDrawer, takePutInFridge, takePutInOven, TakePutInSpice-
	Holder, takeIngredientApart, takeOutFromCupboard, takeOutFrom-
	Drawer, takeOutFromFridge, takeOutFromOven, takeOutFromSpice-
	Holder, taste, throwInGarbage, unrollDough, washHands, washObjects,
	whisk, wipeClean.
Associated Object Types	hand, bottle, cap opener, mug, beer, tomato, etc.
Video Resolution	1624×1224
Total Video Duration	8 hours 20 minutes
Wild?	No
Segmented?	No
Background	Fixed

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Description	This dataset contains various types of sports activities in the wild. It has
-	very low inter-class and very high intra-class variability. Activities have
	very high amount of occlusion, clutter and change of viewpoints.
Number of Subjects	25
Number of Sequences	6676
Number of Activities	6676
Number of Activity Types	50
Activity Types	BaseballPitch, Basketball, BenchPress, Biking, Billiards, BreastStroke CleanAndJerk, Diving, Drumming, Fencing, GolfSwing, HighJump HorseRace, HorseRiding, HulaHoop, JavelinThrow, JugglingBalls JumpRope, JumpingJack, Kayaking, Lunges, MilitaryParade, Mixing Nunchucks, PizzaTossing, PlayingGuitar, PlayingPiano, PlayingTabla PlayingViolin, PoleVault, PommelHorse, PullUps, Punch, PushUps RockClimbingIndoor, RopeClimbing, Rowing, SalsaSpin, SkateBoard- ing, Skiing, Skijet, SoccerJuggling, Swing, TaiChi, TennisSwing ThrowDiscus, TrampolineJumping, VolleyballSpiking, WalkingWith- Dog, YoYo.
Associated Object Types	-
Video Resolution	320×240
Total Video Duration	About 8 hours
Wild?	Yes
Segmented?	Yes
Background	Dynamic

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3.1. VIRAT

We use both of the spatial-temporal relationships among the activities context and object contexts for this dataset. These contextual features have been described in the main paper in Equations 2-9.

Contexts may vary based on the application domain. Our proposed generalized framework can handle any number and

types of contexts. In this paper, we use different contexts for different datasets. We describe them below.

3.2. UCLA-Office

3. Context Features

We only use the spatial-temporal relationships among the activities context for this dataset. This context feature has been described in the main paper in Equations 2 and 6.

3.3. MPII-Cooking

We use both of the spatial-temporal relationships among the activities context and object contexts for this dataset. Spatial-temporal relationship context remains the same as in Equations 2 and 6 in the main paper. Activities in this dataset involve three types of objects - tools (c_i^1) , ingredients (c_i^2) , and containers (c_i^3) . We use each of them as a separate context and formulate them as like in Equations 3, 4, 7, and 8. So the Equations 3 and 7 will become,

$$\phi(c_i, z_i) = \phi(c_i^1, z_i) \odot \phi(c_i^2, z_i) \odot \phi(c_i^3, z_i)$$

$$\psi(a_i, c_i) = \psi(a_i, c_i^1) \otimes \psi(a_i, c_i^2) \otimes \psi(a_i, c_i^3)$$

3.4. UCF50

Since the activities in UCF50 dataset are segmented, there are no natural spatial-temporal relationships exist among the activities. Also, each activity involves a person and a particular tool. Use of object context might overfit the model. So, we improvise a relationship among the activities. We roughly categorize fifty activity classes into eight groups and assume that in each group activities are inter-related. These groups are - Outdoor Group Sports (BaseballPitch, Basketball, VollyballSpiking, TennisSwing, HorseRace, and Rowing), Outdoor Individual Sports (GolfSwing, HighJump, JavelinThrow, Kayaking, Skiing, SoccerJuggling, ThrowDiscuss, and PoleVolt), Indoor Sports (Billiards, CleanAndJerk, Fencing, PommelHorse, Punch, and RockClimbing), Outdoor Activity (Biking, Diving, MilitaryParade, NunChucks, HorseRiding, RopeClimbing, SkateBoarding, SkiJet, Swing, and TampolineJumping), Indoor Activity (SalsaSpin, BreastStroke, HulaHoop, JugglingBalls, and YoYo), Physical Exercise (BenchPress, JumpingJack, JumpRope, TaiChi, Walking, PullUps, PushUps, and Lunges), Kitchen (Mixing and PizzaTossing), and Instrumental (Drumming, PlayingGuitar, PlayingPiano, PlayingTabla, and PlayingViolin). The corresponding mathematical formulations remain same as like Equations 2 and 6 of the main paper.

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Figure 13. Activity class-wise performance evaluation of our proposed framework. This figure shows some selected activity classes of VIRAT dataset. In most of the cases, recognition performance of our framework for a particular class improves with the availability of new training data.

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5.2. UCLA-Office Dataset: UCLA-Office, Activity: EnterRoom Dataset: UCLA-Office, Activity: ExitRoom 0.9 0.9 0.8 0.8 Accuracy Accuracy 0.7 0.7 0.6 0.6 0.5 0.5 0.4 0.4 Strong+Weak Techer Strong+Weak Techer 0.3 0.3 Number of Batches Number of Batches Dataset: UCLA-Office, Activity: StandUp Dataset: UCLA-Office, Activity: PourDrink 0.9 0.9 0.8 0.8 Accuracy Accuracy 0.7 0.7 0.6 0.6 0.5 0.5 0.4 0.4 Strong+Weak Techer Strong+Weak Techer Ð ↔ 0.3 0.3 Number of Batches Number of Batches Dataset: UCLA-Office, Activity: PlacePhone Dataset: UCLA-Office, Activity: SitDown 0.9 0.9 0.8 0.8 Accuracy 9.0 Accuracy 0.7 0.6 0.5 0.5 0.4 0.4 ♦ Strong+Weak Techer Strong+Weak Techer 0.3 0.3 Number of Batches Number of Batches Figure 14. Activity class-wise performance evaluation of our proposed framework. This figure shows some selected activity classes of

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6. Parameter Values

We learn most of the parameters from training data. We manually set only three parameters - manual labeling percentage (K), weight decay parameter (λ) of our baseline softmax classifier (Section 4.1 of the main paper), and the weak teacher threshold parameter (δ). We provided the sensitivity analysis of K as the accuracy vs. manual labeling plot in the Figure 5(d, h, l, and p) of the main paper for all datasets. Here, we present the values of K, λ , and δ that we used during our experiments for all datasets followed by the sensitivity analysis of λ and δ for VIRAT dataset.

	Dataset			
Parameters	VIRAT	UCLA-Office	MPII-Cooking	UCF50
K	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
λ	10^{-1}	10^{-2}	(used lin. svm)	10^{-4}
δ	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9

Table 1. Parameter Values

6.1. Parameter Sensitivity

6.1.1 VIRAT



Figure 17. Plot (a) illustrates the sensitivity analysis of the parameter λ . It shows that the choice of λ has significant effect on the performance, however performance of the framework is quite similar in range of $10^{-2} - 10^{-4}$. Plot (b) illustrates the sensitivity analysis of the parameter δ . Our framework performs better for the higher values of δ . It means that for a higher value of δ the framework will use very high confident labels from the classifier to retrain it. For a lower value of δ , it may be possible that some of the misclassified instances are used for retraining, which is the reason for inferior performance. Above two experiments use Strong+Weak Teacher active learning system.

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