

A NOVEL END-TO-END DEEP LEARNING SYSTEM FOR CLASSIFYING MARINE BIOLOGICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMAGES Hongsheng Bi, Yunhao Cheng, Xuemin Cheng, Mark Benfield, David Kimmel, Haiyong Zheng, Sabrina Groves, Kezhen Ying



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Plankton Monitoring and Image Processing









Plankton Monitoring Image Processing



Net sampling: discrete and integrative



• In situ imaging system

Plankton Monitoring



Common deep learning architecture for plankton recognition



Schematic Illustration



Oversegmentation

 Large amounts of suspended particles
 Marine organisms are patchily distributed
 Large difference in abundance: copepod abundance high, shrimp abundances



Missing targets



New End-to-End Deep Learning System





NEW APPROACH

Use a scene classification as a primer, each scene has separate object detection & classification model

- 1. Different scene reflect image contents and layout
- 2. Improve the consistency between image and the model

COMPARISON

- 1. Full model:
 - Mask R-CNN for all scene together
- 2. Scene Specific model
 - Separate Mask R-CNN for each scene

- a) High Concentration
- b) Nocticula
- c) Phaeosystis
- d) Petropod
- e) Shrimp
- f) Low Concentration



MODEL PERFORMANCE







OVERCOME OTHER ISSUES





Broken target

Overlapping targets



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POWERPLANT COOLING WATER INTAKE



In Situ Plankton Monitoring

Mysid shrimp



Phaeocystis



Other blooms





Creseis



Enteromorpha



CONCLUSIONS

- Plankton imaging systems readily available for monitoring work
- Deep learning systems make near real time image processing feasible
- Real time monitoring for plankton blooms or swarms is possible
- Imaging systems are useful tools for ecological process studies and ecosystem-based management