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The Watchful Forensic Analyst: Multi-Clue Information Fusion with Background Knowledge

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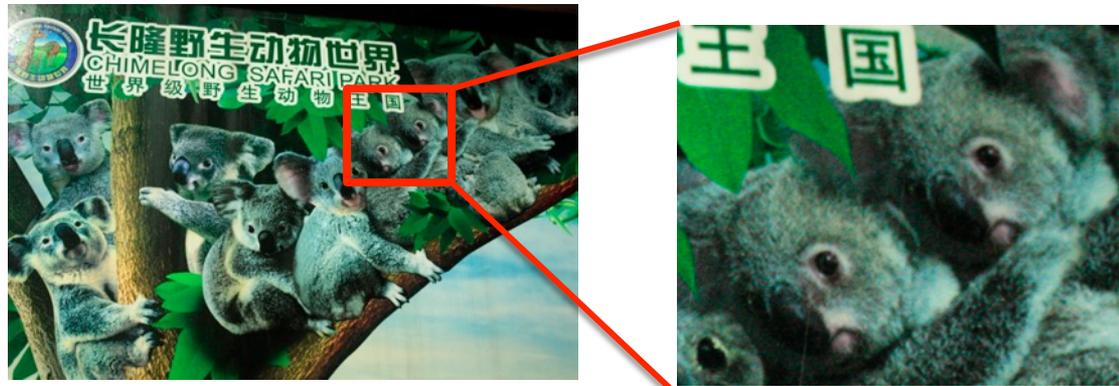


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Multimedia Forensics

- Creating forged contents is nowadays easy...



- And also cheap!

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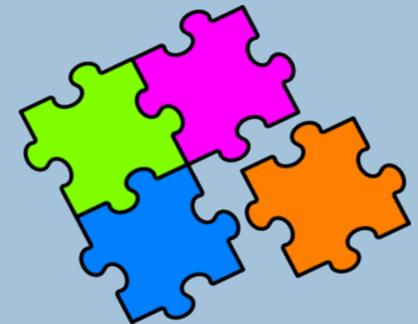
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Addressed Problem

- More and more multimedia forensics algorithms
- Based on different footprints:
 - ▣ Different detection capabilities
 - ▣ Sensitive to different characteristics of analyzed content



Goal:
to fuse all the available information



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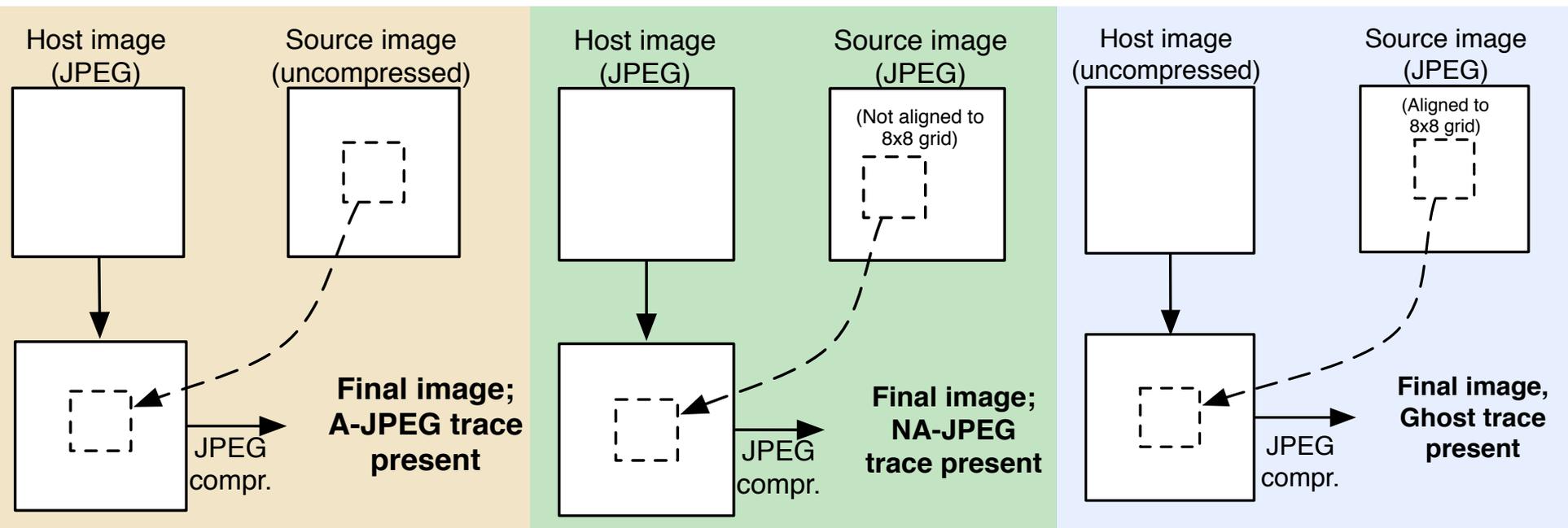
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Contribution

- We focus on image forensics, and investigate:
 - ▣ **What** background information can serve
 - ▣ **How** to fruitfully exploit it to improve overall performance of decision fusion systems
- We provide:
 1. An evidence-based approach to quantify the influence of a given characteristic
 2. A way to include such information in
 - A Dempster-Shafer based decision fusion system
 - A SVM based decision fusion system

Case Study 1 / 2

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 - ▣ Plenty of tools, based on complementary footprints

Aligned Double JPEG compr.

- Z. Lin, J. He, X. Tang, and C. Tang. *Fast, automatic and fine-grained tampered JPEG image detection via DCT coefficient analysis*. *Pattern Recognition*, 42(11):2492–2501, 2009.
- T. Bianchi, A. De Rosa, and A. Piva. *Improved DCT coefficient analysis for forgery localization in jpeg images*. In *ICASSP*, pp 2444–2447. IEEE, 2011.

Non – Aligned Double JPEG compr.

- W. Luo, Z. Qu, J. Huang, and G. Qiu. *A novel method for detecting cropped and recompressed image blocks*. In *IEEE Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, 2007.
- T. Bianchi and A. Piva. *Detection of non-aligned double jpeg compression with estimation of primary compression parameters*. In *ICIP*, 2011.

JPEG Ghost Effect

- H. Farid. *Exposing digital forgeries from JPEG ghosts*. *IEEE Transaction on Information Forensics and Security*, 4:154–160, 2009.

Case Study 2/2

- We generated a dataset of 50600 spliced images
 - ▣ Four different cut-&-paste procedures
 - ▣ Various size for the spliced region (64x64, 128x128, ... 1024x1024)
 - ▣ Various combinations of compression quality
 - ▣ Heterogeneous contents

Background Information

- Tools search for footprints left by processing
- Footprint less detectable → tool less reliable
- Defining the “detectability” of a footprint in general is hard to do
- We propose an evidence-based approach:

$\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}_1 \times \mathcal{P}_2 \times \dots \times \mathcal{P}_P$ Set of analyzed properties

$$\mathcal{R}_j = \mathcal{P}_1 \times \dots \times \mathcal{P}_{j-1} \times \{\mathcal{P}_j \cap \mathcal{R}\} \times \dots \times \mathcal{P}_P$$

Restricted set for the j -th
property

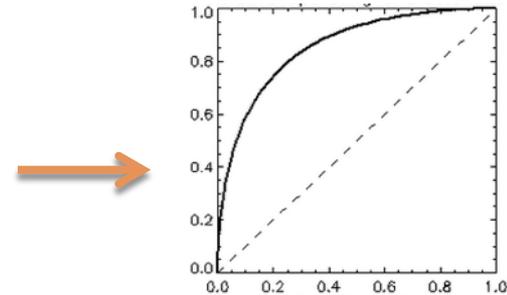
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$$P_D^f(\mathcal{R}_j) = \int_{\Lambda_1(\tau) \cap \mathcal{R}_j} p(x|\mathcal{H}_1) dx$$

$$P_{FA}^f(\mathcal{R}_j) = \int_{\Lambda_1(\tau) \cap \mathcal{R}_j} p(x|\mathcal{H}_0) dx$$

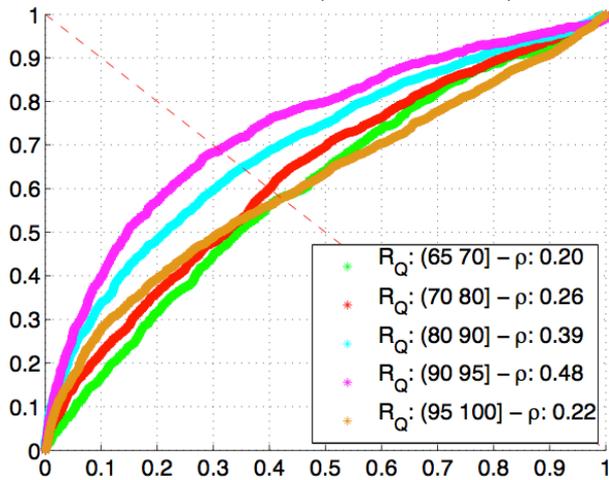
**(Restricted)
Acceptance Region
of the Tool**



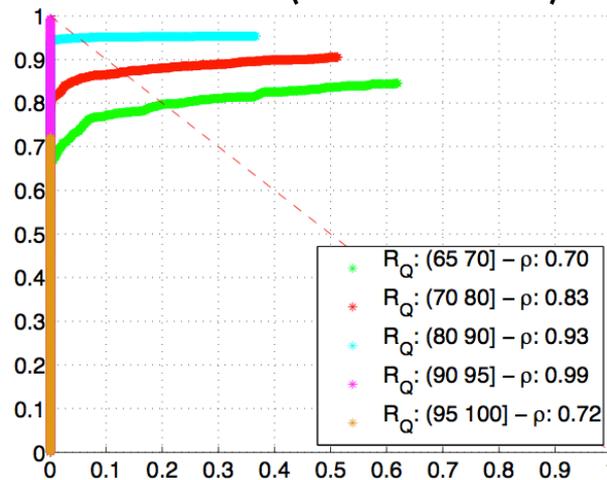
Gini coefficient:
 $\rho = 2 \times \text{AUC} - 1$

Influence of Image Properties

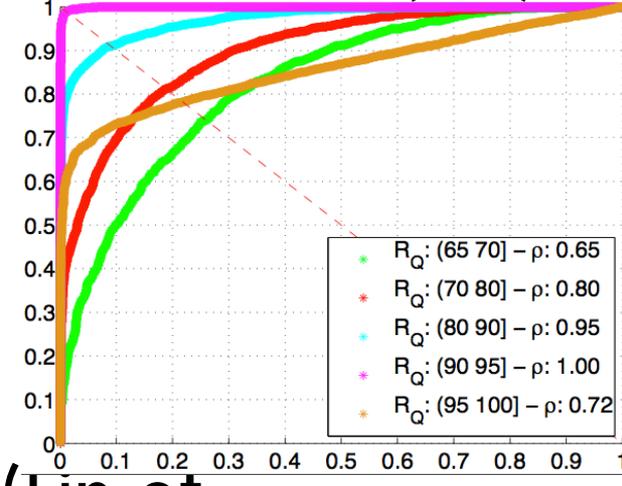
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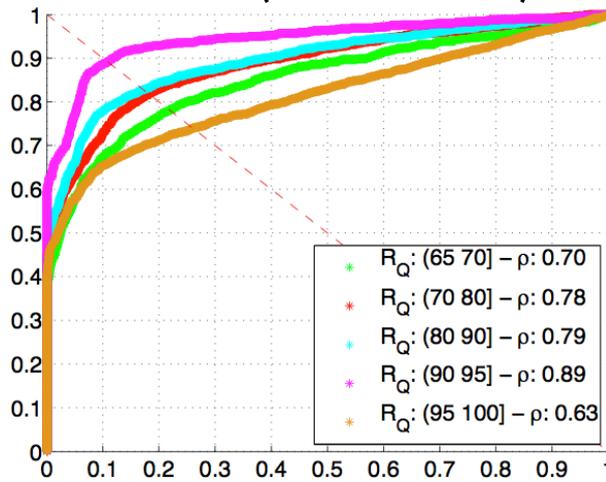
NA-JPEG (Bianchi et al.)



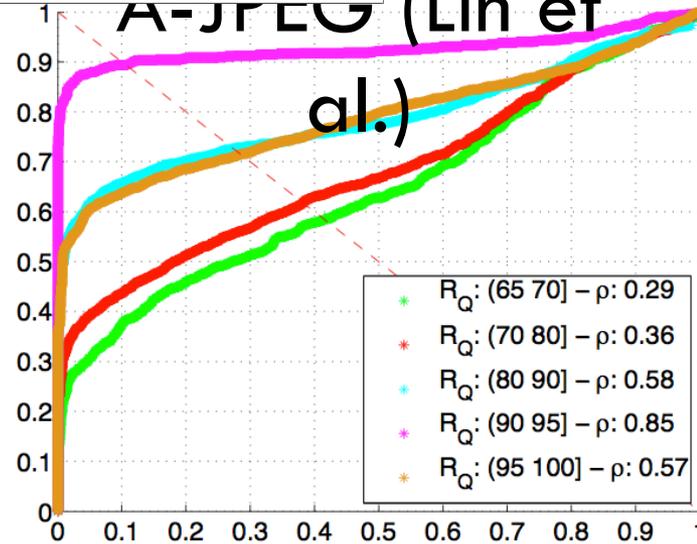
JPEG Ghost (Farid)



A-JPEG (Bianchi et al.)



A-JPEG (Lin et al.)



Application to our Case Study

Size	Tool	$R_Z^1:$	$R_Z^2:$	$R_Z^3:$	$R_Z^4:$	$R_Z^5:$
		(0,64]	(64,128]	(128,256]	(256,512]	(512,1024]
	JPGH	0.63	0.67	0.71	0.75	0.80
	JPDQ	0.37	0.62	0.72	0.75	0.78
	JPLC	0.40	0.39	0.36	0.31	0.21
	JPNA	0.74	0.75	0.74	0.73	0.72
	JPBM	0	0.08	0.21	0.31	0.40

Average		$R_A^1:$	$R_A^2:$	$R_A^3:$	$R_A^4:$	$R_A^5:$
		(0,30]	(30,60]	(60,150]	(150,230]	(230,255]
	JPGH	0.49	0.68	0.73	0.62	0.20
	JPDQ	0.50	0.63	0.70	0.54	0.04
	JPLC	0.09	0.35	0.38	0.25	0.19
	JPNA	0.58	0.78	0.80	0.60	0.36
	JPBM	0.15	0.19	0.23	0.14	-0.23

Std. Dev.		$R_S^1:$	$R_S^2:$	$R_S^3:$	$R_S^4:$	$R_S^5:$
		(0,5]	(5,10]	(10,15]	(20,40]	(40,60]
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	JPDQ	0.31	0.60	0.65	0.71	0.73
	JPLC	0.28	0.28	0.34	0.38	0.33
	JPNA	0.46	0.65	0.76	0.79	0.80
	JPBM	0.07	0.13	0.18	0.21	0.30

Dempster-Shafer Theory

- Alternative to classical Bayesian theory
 - Good for modeling missing information
 - No need for prior probabilities
- Information is represented through *belief assignments*
- **Dempster's Combination Rule:** fuse information from multiple sources
- See the paper for more details and references



Dempster's Combination Rule

- A rule to **combine two BBAs** coming from independent sources into a single one.
- Given m_1 and m_2 two BBAs defined over the same frame, their orthogonal sum m_{12} is defined as:

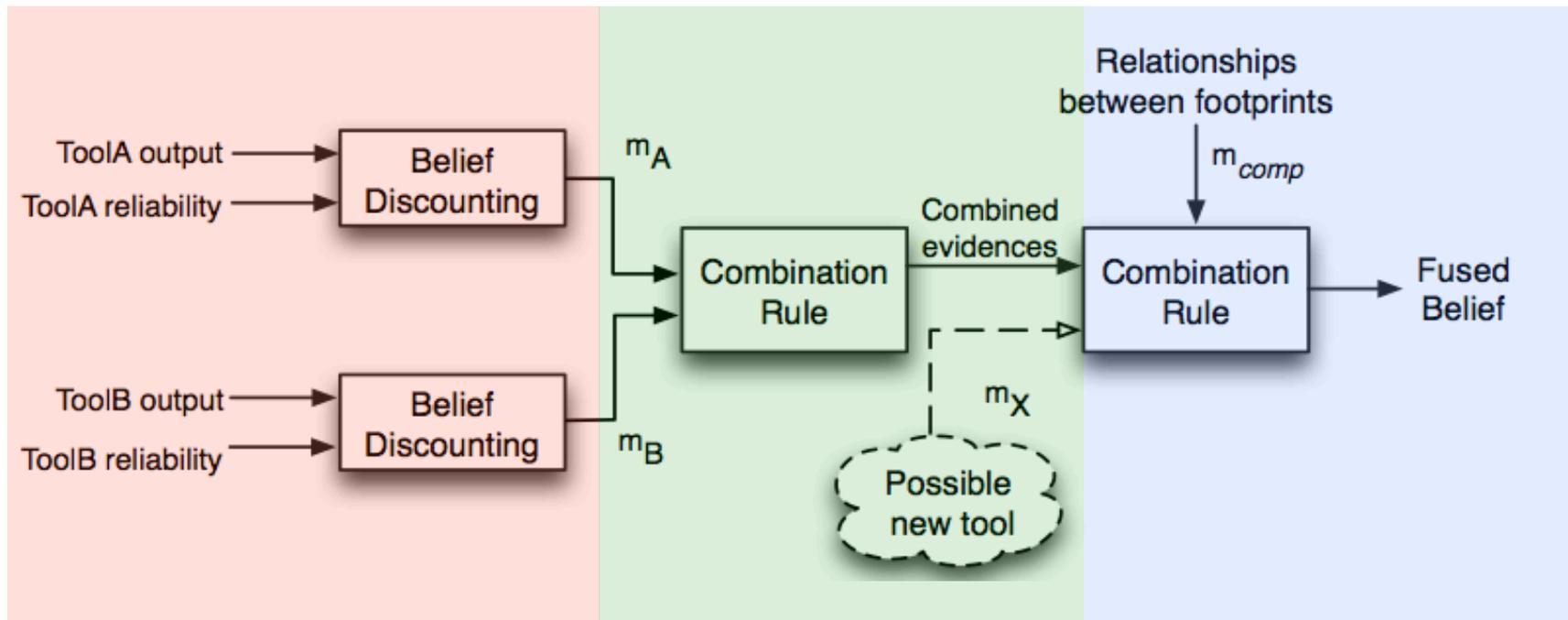
$$m_{12}(X) = m_1(X) \oplus m_2(X) = \frac{1}{1 - K} \cdot \sum_{\substack{A, B \subseteq \Theta: \\ A \cap B = X}} m_1(A) m_2(B)$$

Notice

- Can be used directly only for tool looking for the same trace
- Merging heterogeneous tools requires more theoretical steps...

Embedding Background Information: DST fusion framework

- Starting point: DST fusion framework for image forensic:



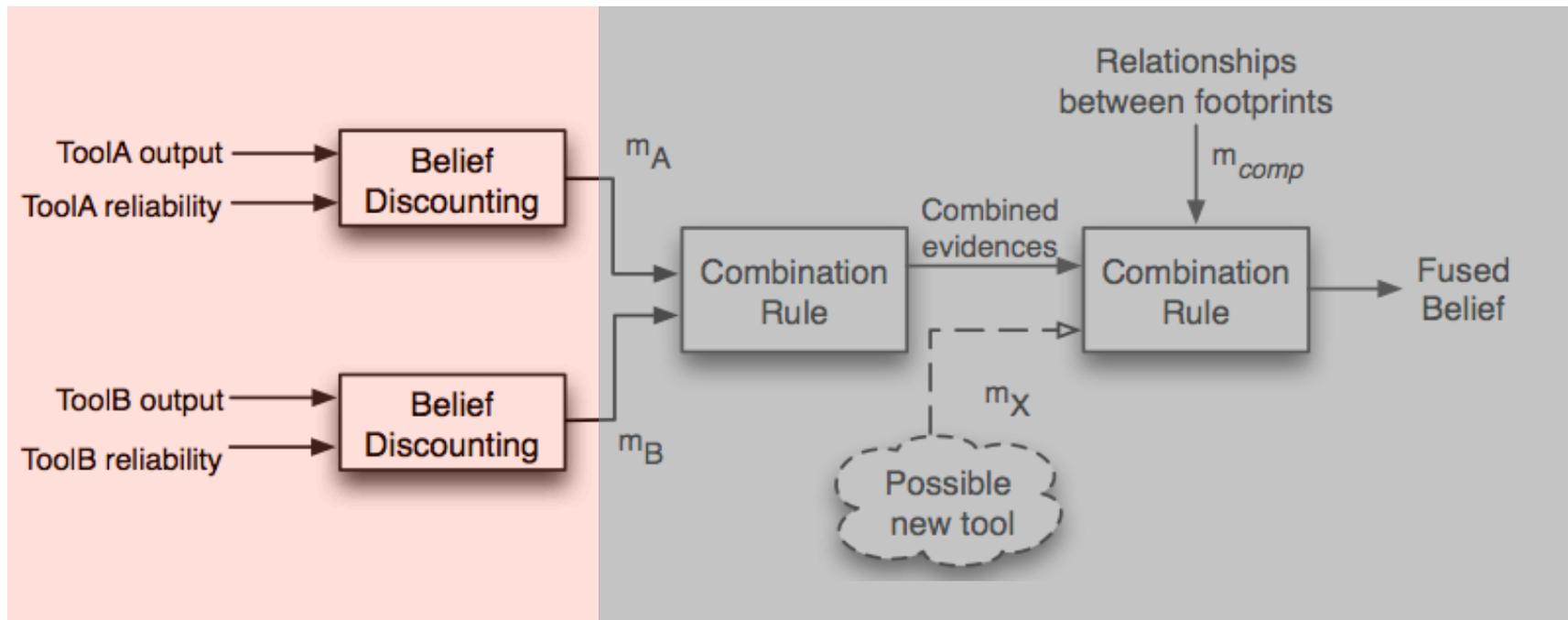
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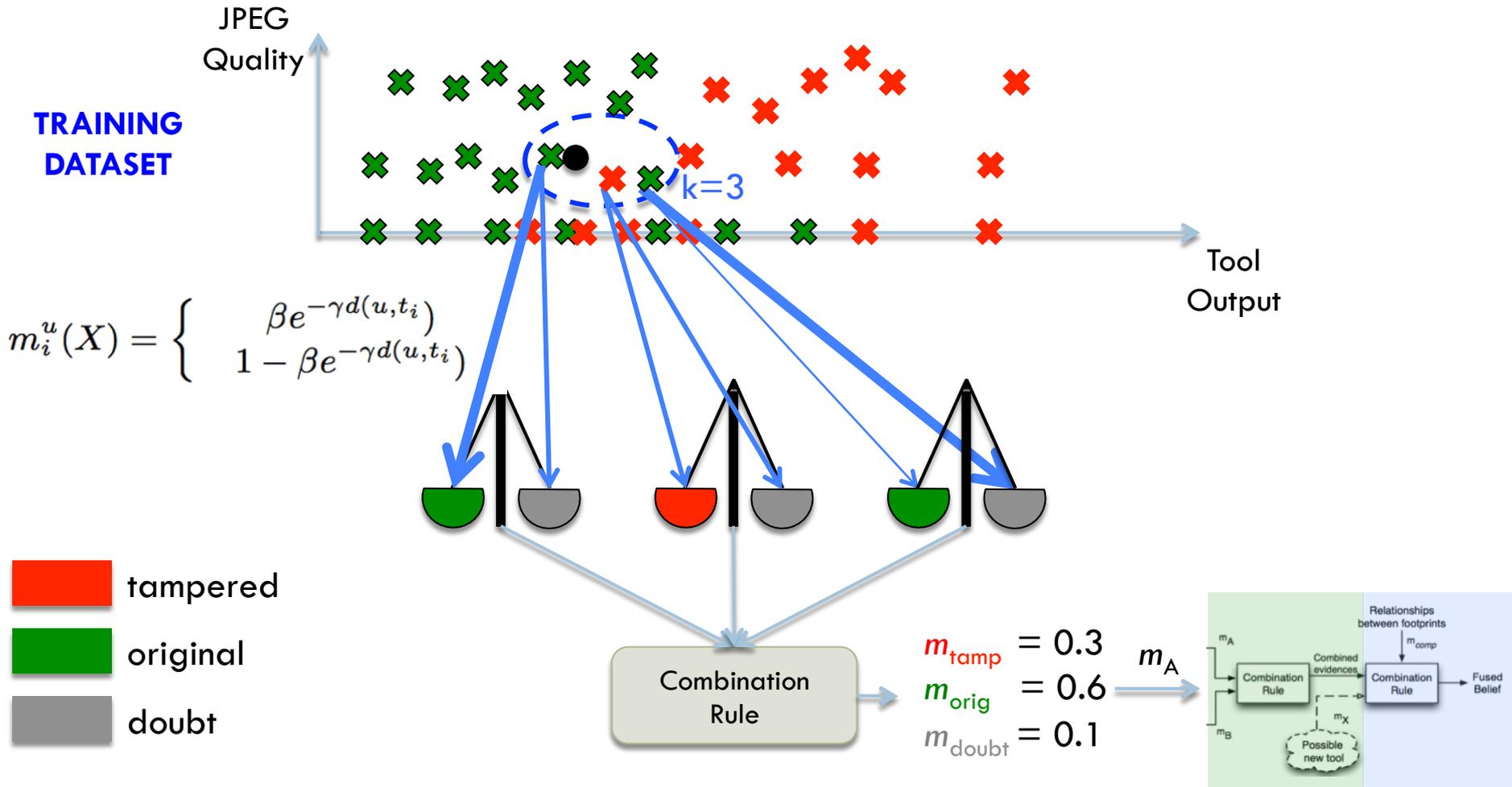


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Multi-Clue Belief Assignment



Formally

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- Each training sample works as an expert about his class
- We use Dempster-Shafer Theory to model its information
 1. A labeled training set is created, where each element is the concatenation of tool output and observed parameters

$$\mathcal{T} = \{t^i = (o^i, p_1^i, \dots, p_P^i) : i = 1 \dots N\}$$

2. For an unseen sample $u = (o^u, p_1^u, \dots, p_P^u)$, each element in \mathcal{T} provides a belief about u belonging to its class

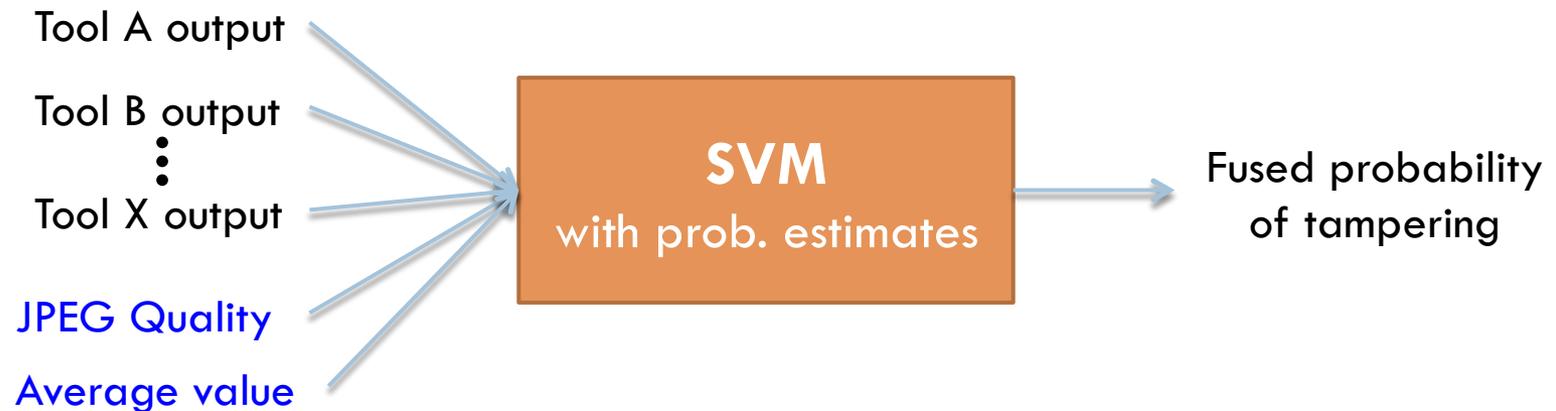
$$m_i^u(X) = \begin{cases} \beta e^{-\gamma d(u, t_i)} \\ 1 - \beta e^{-\gamma d(u, t_i)} \end{cases}$$

3. These mass assignments are combined with Dempster's rule

$$m^u(X) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k m_i^u(X)$$

Embedding Background Information: SVM

- We start from the Q-stack classifier idea [K07]
 - ▣ Give to the classifier a measure of the quality of the signal that originated the features
- Instead of quality of the signal, we provide influencing properties to the classifier



Experimental Results 1 / 2

- Compare performance of:
 - ▣ DST and SVM frameworks endowed with background information
 - ▣ The same frameworks without such information
- **Dataset:** the set of images in our Case Study
 - ▣ 50600 JPEG images (synthetically generated)
 - ▣ Half tampered, half original
 - ▣ Several kinds of splicing

Experimental Results 2/2

- DST framework: **+11%**
- SVM framework: **+14%**



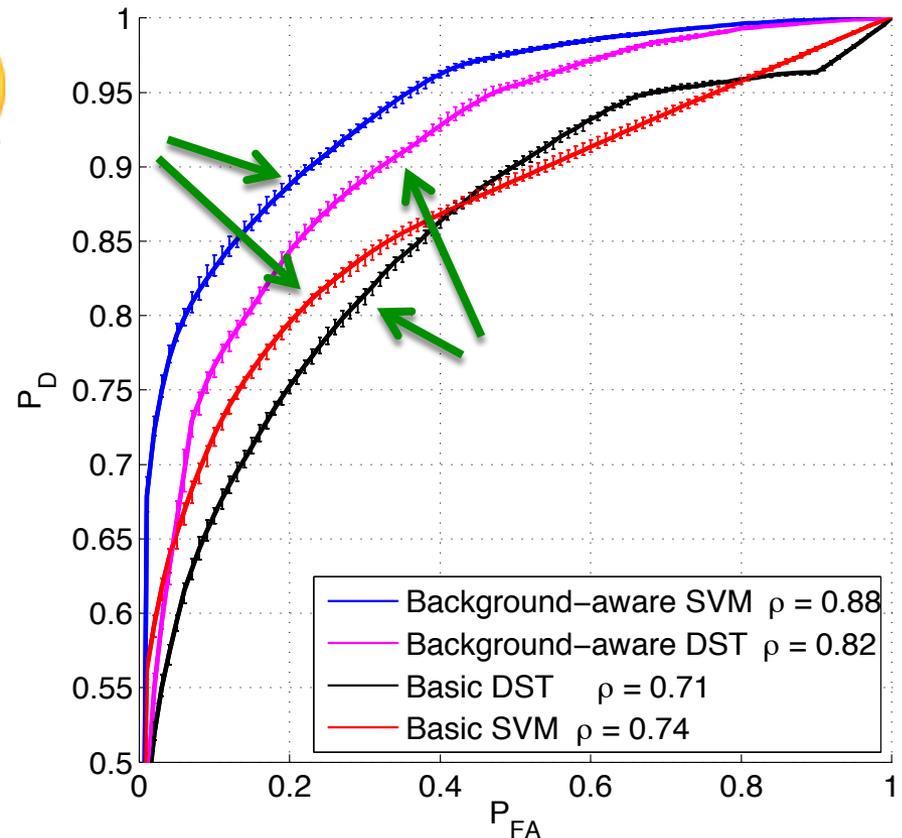
- Pros and Cons:

- SVM:

- ☺ Ready-to-use
- ☹ Requires joint training of all tools (huge datasets)

- DST:

- ☺ Explicitly models traces relationship
- ☹ Exponential complexity in the number of traces



Concluding Remarks

- Background information valuable for forensics
- Especially important when different tools are available
 - ▣ Different frameworks, comparable performance gain
- Future work:
 - ▣ Widen the theoretical perspective
 - ▣ Consider more heterogeneous sets of tools
 - ▣ Extend to fusion of probability maps

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