

Mitigating False Alarms in Infrared-based Precipitation Estimates: A Multi-task Machine Learning Approach



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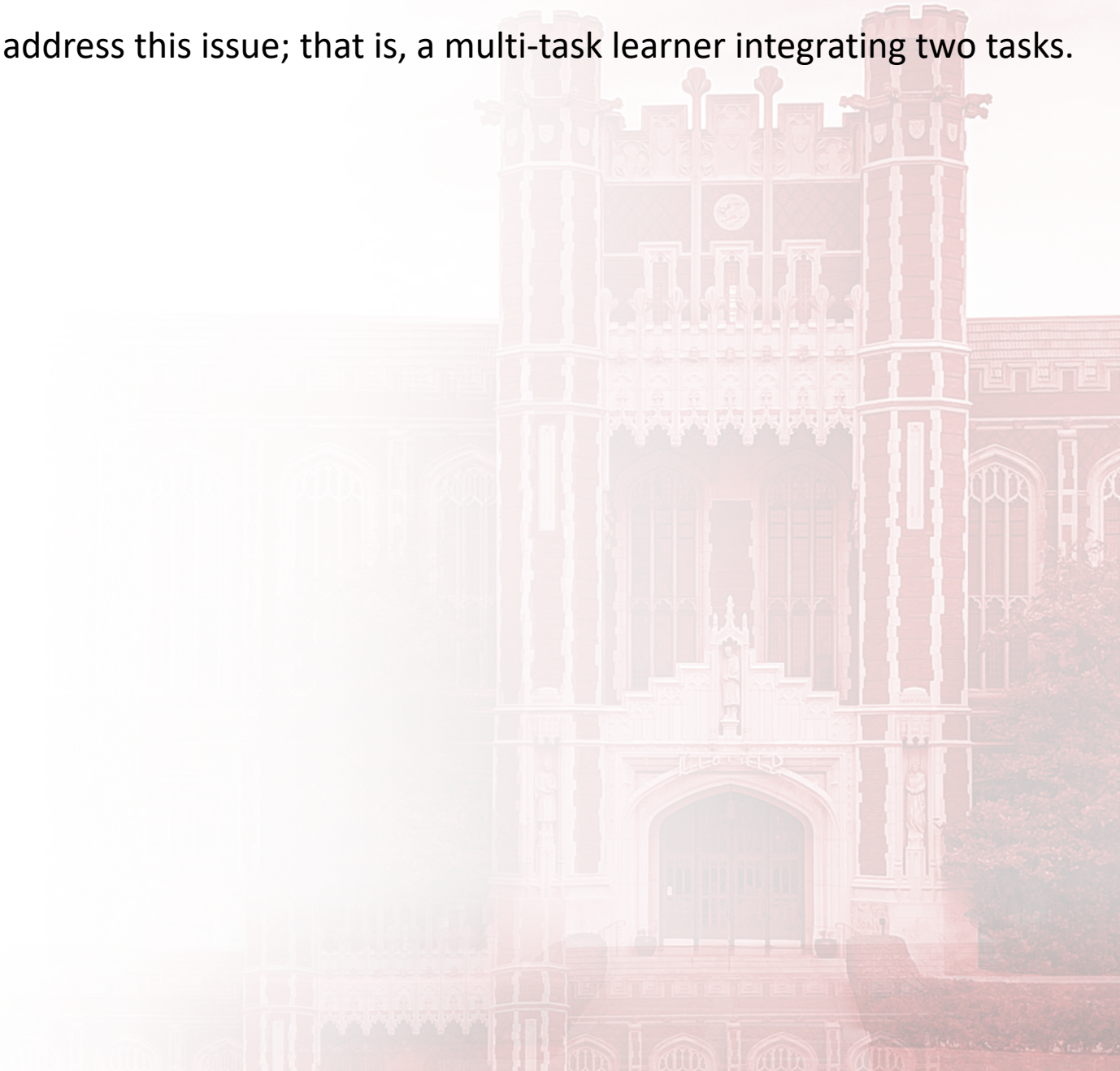
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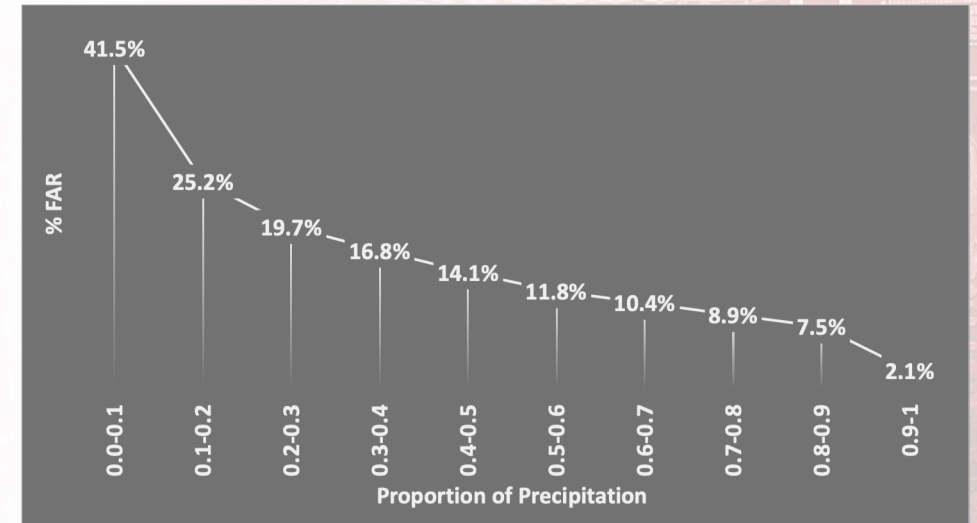
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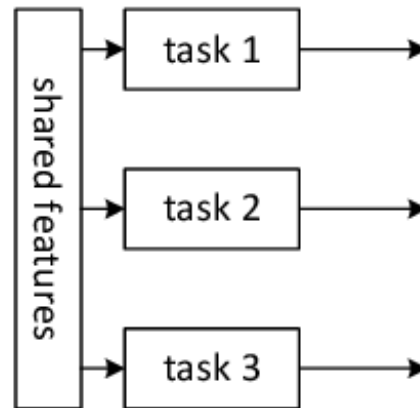
- Formalizes detection as a quantification of the proportion of precipitation within each footprint : Sub-Pixel Variability



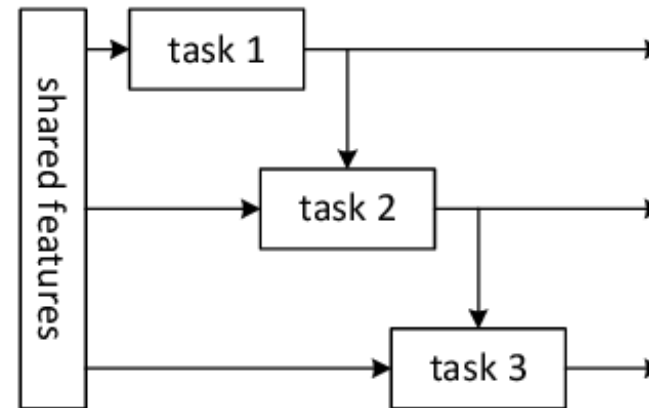
Can we use this sub-pixel variability to identify PoP? Will it help to deal with FAR?

Multi-Task Learning Results

	POD	FAR	HSS
SCaMPR	33.5 %	48.2 %	0.38
Classification	62.4 %	55.6 %	0.48
Classification + Regression: Defining Threshold	62.2 %	52.0 %	0.51
Classification + Regression: Multi-task ML model	64.4 %	52.5 %	0.52



(a) General form of multi-task learning



(b) Multi-task cascade (Dai et al., 2016; CVPR)

Task 1: Proportion of precipitation : Regression
Task 2: Precipitation Detection : Binary Classification
Task 3: Precipitation Quantification

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