

# RGB-D Tracking via Hierarchical Modality Aggregation and Distribution Network

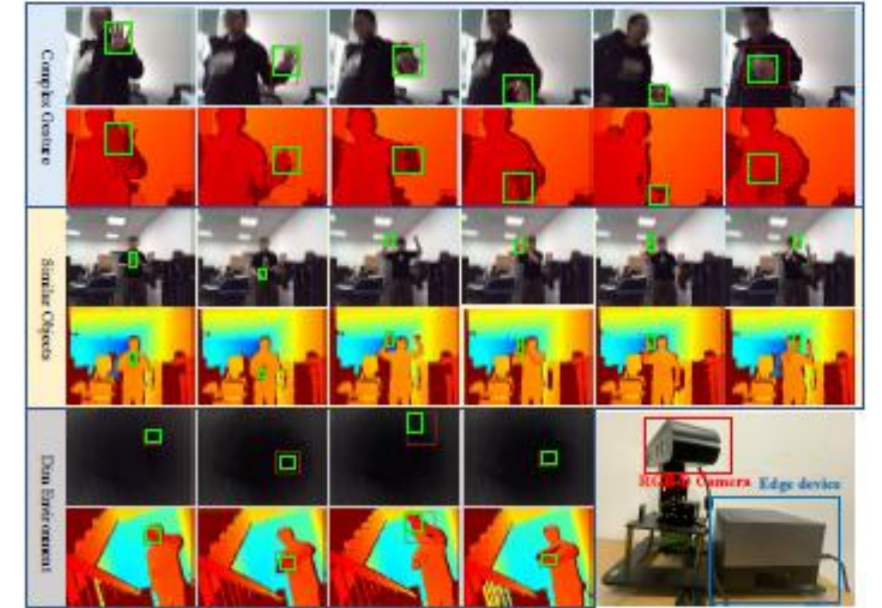
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## Introduction

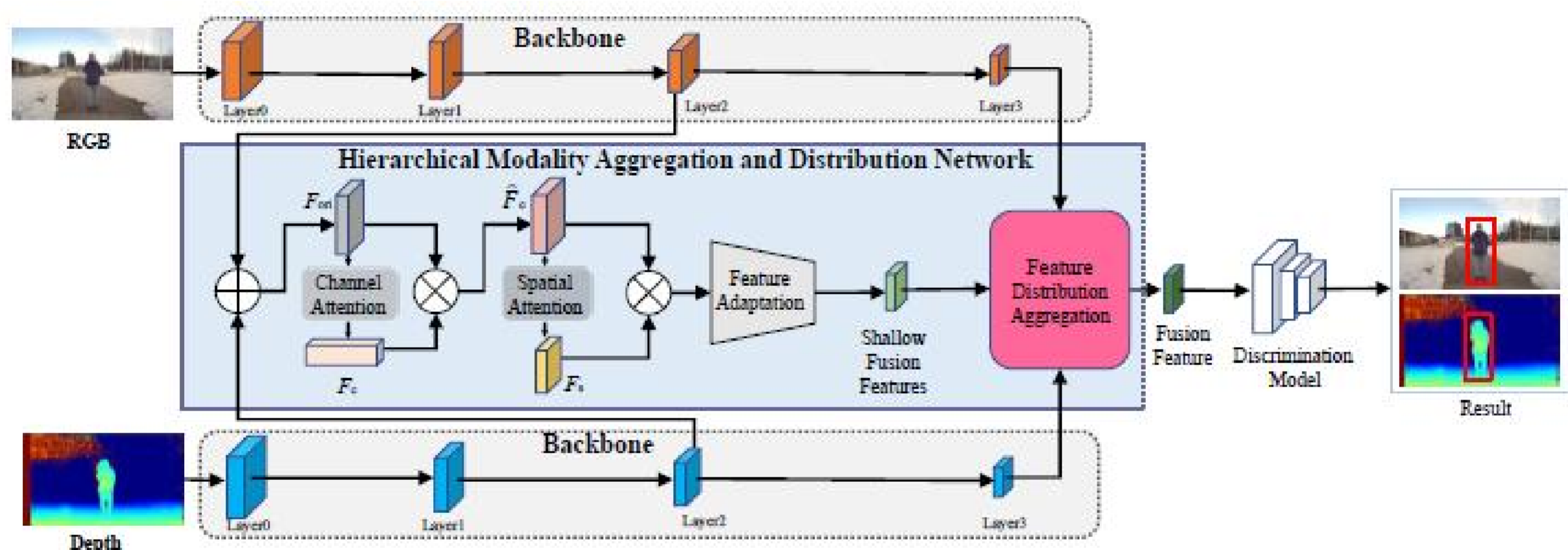
**RGB-Depth (RGB-D) tracking** combines RGB and depth data. RGB offers visual details like color and texture, while depth provides the distance from the camera to the object.

We proposed a RGB-D tracker named **HMA**, which leverages the **distinct feature representation strengths** of RGB and depth modalities, giving prominence to a **hierarchical approach for feature distribution and fusion**, thereby enhancing the robustness of RGB-D tracking.



## Method

The input of the HMA is the corresponding **RGB and depth images**, which are merged through a **hierarchical modality aggregation and distribution network**. This process consists of two parts: the first part involves attention-based shallow feature extraction, while the second part **involves feature distribution and fusion**. The former is responsible for extracting the effective components in shallow features, while the latter is responsible for distributing and fusing shallow features with deep features. The fused features are then used for final target discrimination and tracking.



## Experiments

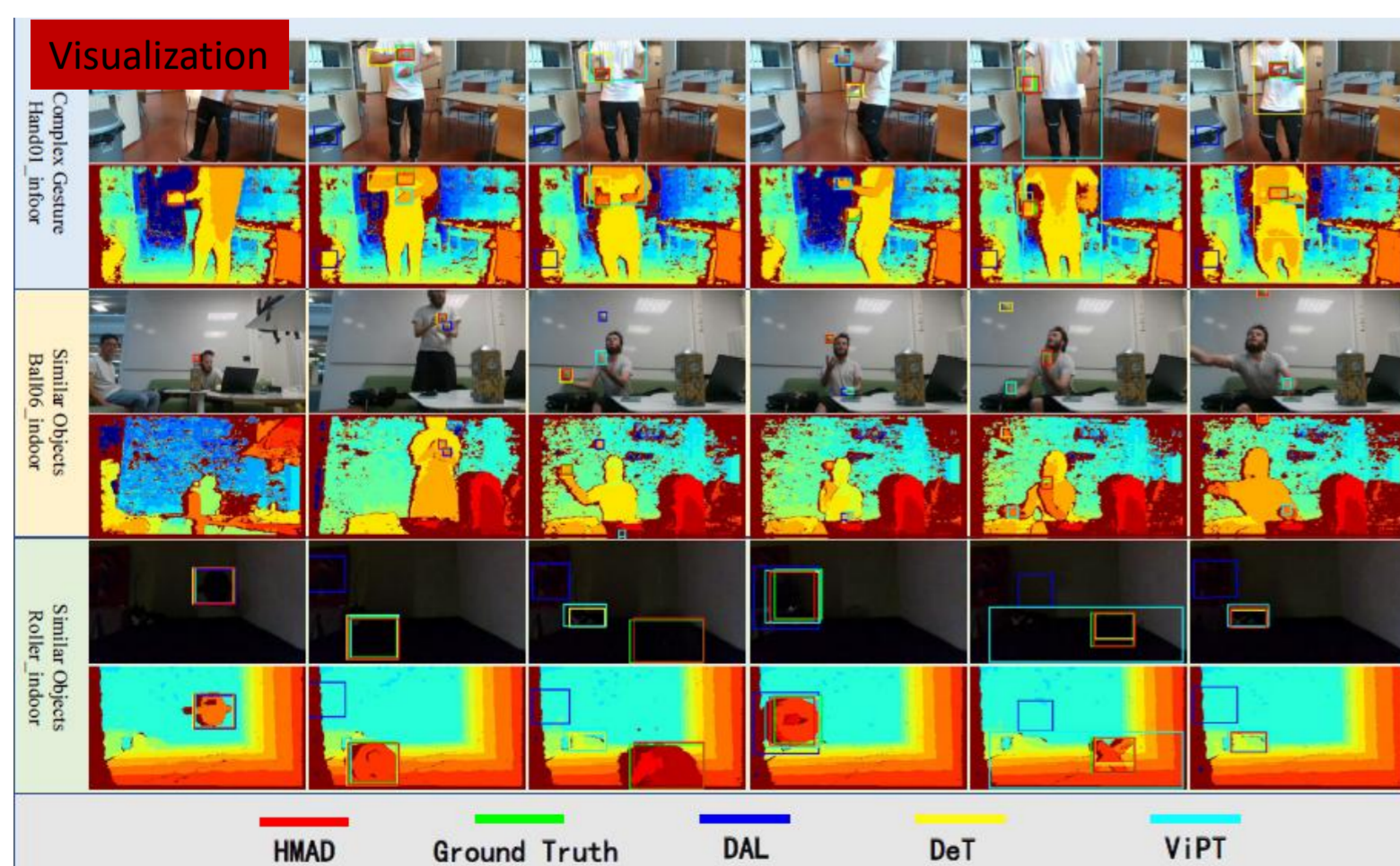
**Dataset: DepthTrack, RGBD1K**

- Challenges: Small target, Similar targets Fast Movement, Background clutter

**Metrics:** Precision(Pr), Recall(Re), F-score

**Comparison with the SOTA:** The method is superior to all the tracking methods

**Ablation Study:** The experiment demonstrates the effectiveness of each component of the method



Ablation	Pr	Re	F-score
baseline	0.548	0.525	0.536
w/o distribution	0.571	0.545	0.557
w/o attention	0.596	0.562	0.579
<b>HMA</b>	<b>0.626</b>	<b>0.597</b>	<b>0.611</b>

Comparison	DepthTrack			RGBD1K			FPS
	Pr	Re	F-score	Pr	Re	F-score	
Siam_LTD [27]	0.342	0.418	0.376	0.543	0.318	0.398	13.0
DAL [30]	0.512	0.369	0.429	<b>0.562</b>	0.407	0.472	-
CLGS_D [27]	0.369	0.584	0.453	-	-	-	7.3
ATCAIS [27]	0.455	0.500	0.476	0.511	0.451	0.479	1.3
DDIMP [27]	0.469	0.503	0.485	0.557	0.534	0.545	4.7
Drefine [20]	-	-	-	0.532	0.462	0.494	-
OSTrack [38]	0.522	0.536	0.529	-	-	-	-
DeT [36]	0.506	0.560	0.532	0.438	0.419	0.428	<b>36.8</b>
SPT [40]	0.549	0.527	0.538	0.545	<b>0.578</b>	<b>0.561</b>	25.3
ProTrack [37]	0.583	0.573	0.578	-	-	-	-
ViPT [39]	<b>0.596</b>	<b>0.592</b>	<b>0.594</b>	-	-	-	14.1
<b>HMA</b>	<b>0.626</b>	<b>0.597</b>	<b>0.611</b>	<b>0.573</b>	<b>0.552</b>	<b>0.562</b>	<b>50.0</b>