

# The Forchheim Image Database for Camera Identification in the Wild

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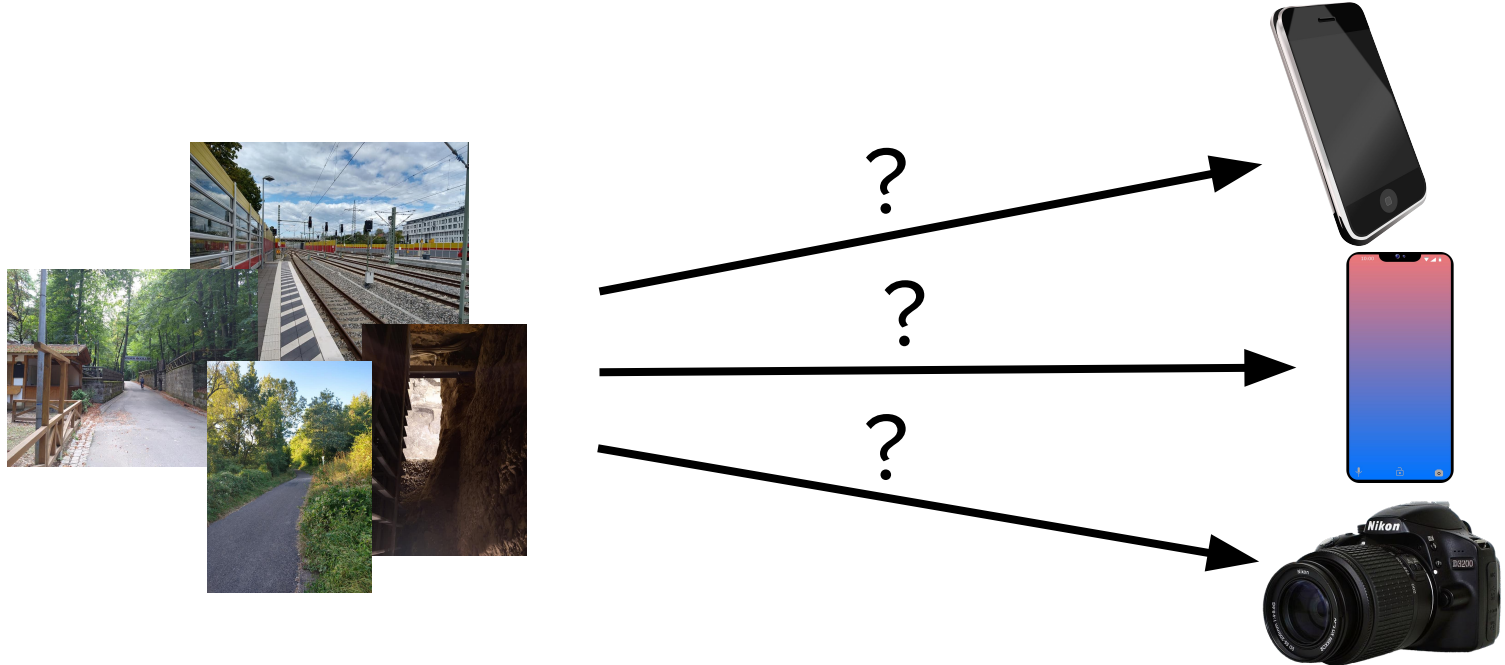
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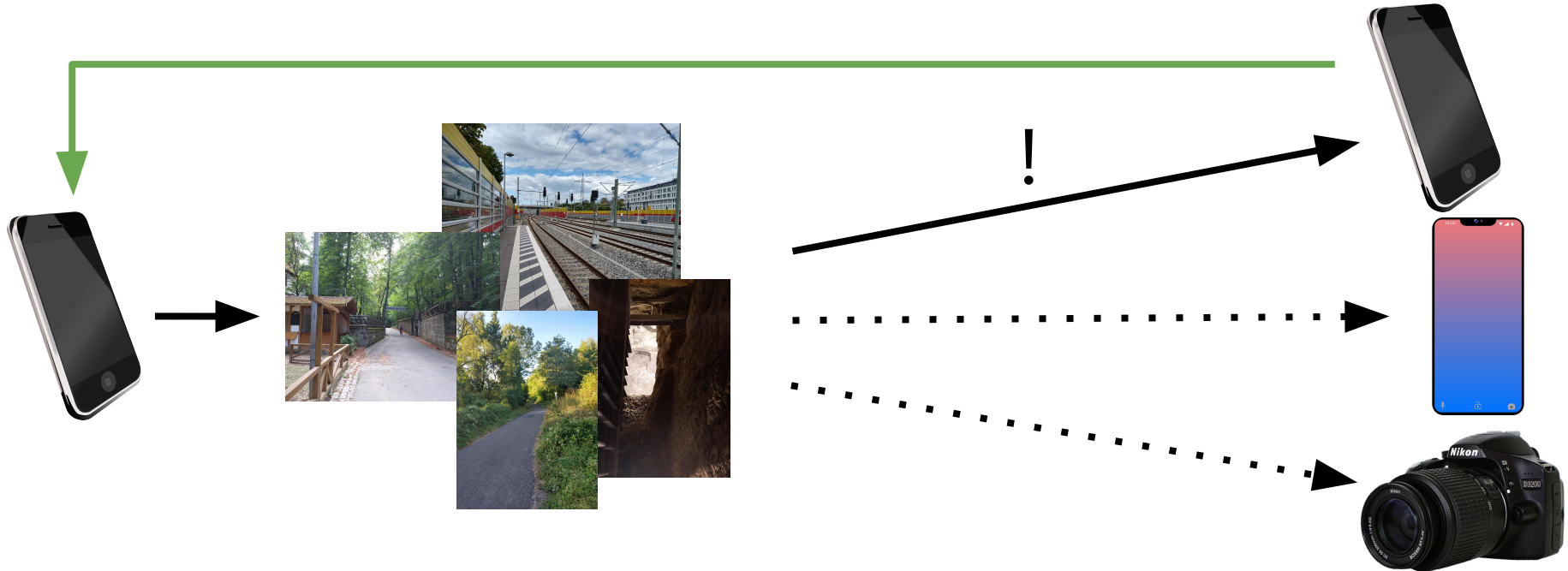
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Knowledge on source camera can be important for criminal investigation



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Camera can be accurately identified with existing methods



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What about images shared online?



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Most existing methods fail on strongly compressed images

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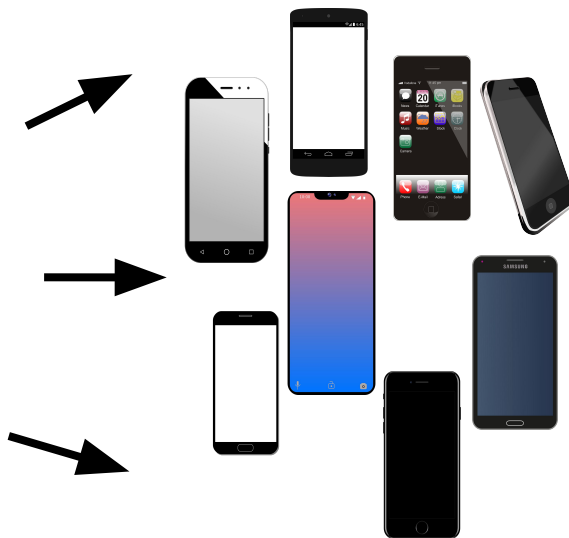


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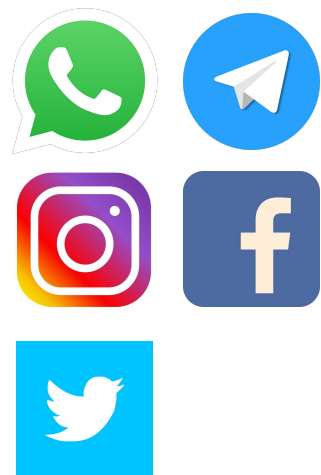
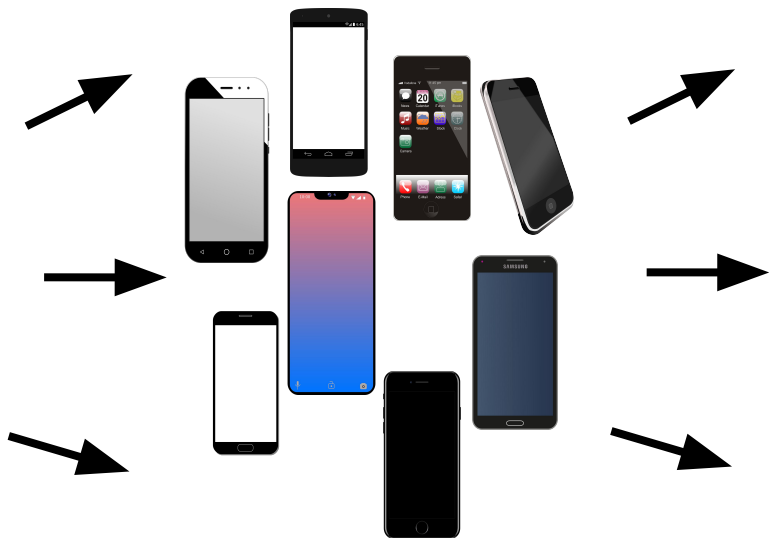


# The Forchheim Image Database (>23,000 Images)

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Results on “clean” image (accuracy [%])

CNN	64x64	256x256	Image
BondiNet	71.4	84.9	93.1
MISLnet	--	93.5	96.8
RemNet	93.8	96.6	<b>99.1</b>
EN-B5	<b>96.3</b>	<b>98.1</b>	<b>99.1</b>

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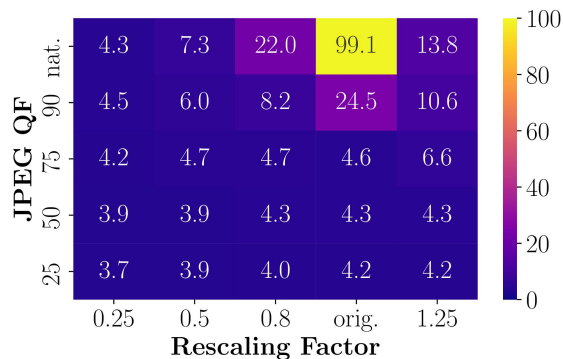
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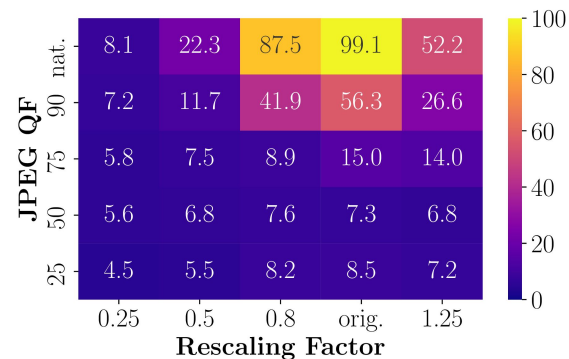
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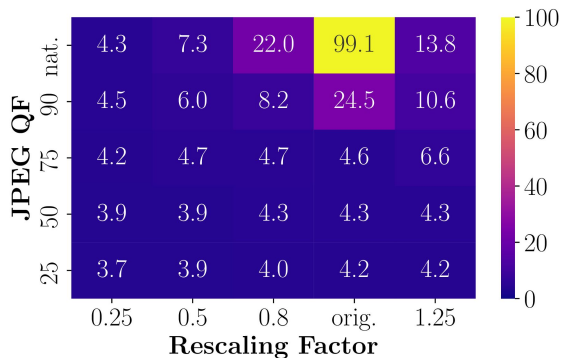


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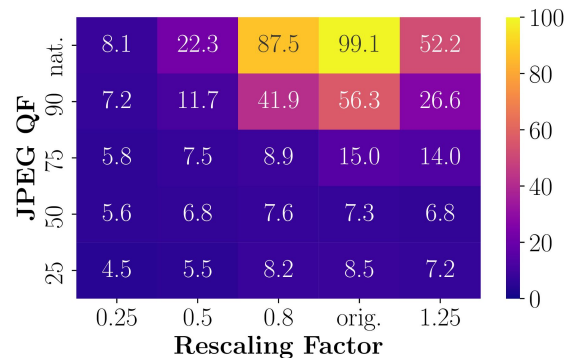
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**Can we do better?**

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Training augmentation with strong **degradations** (“deg.”)

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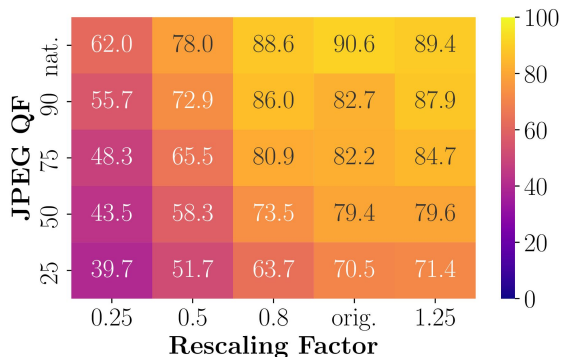
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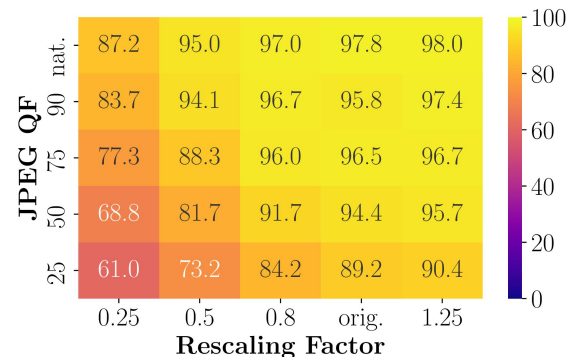
OpenCV implementations

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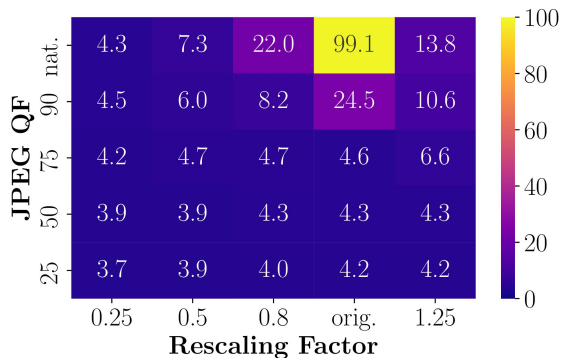
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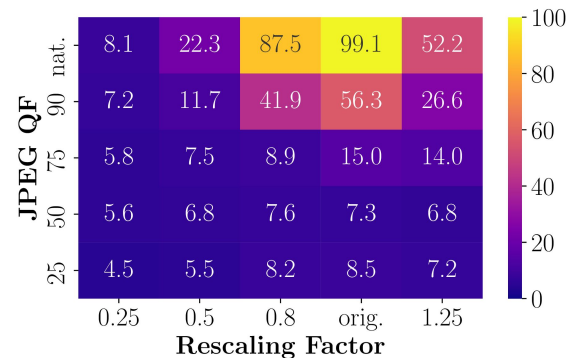
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