

multimedia retrieval

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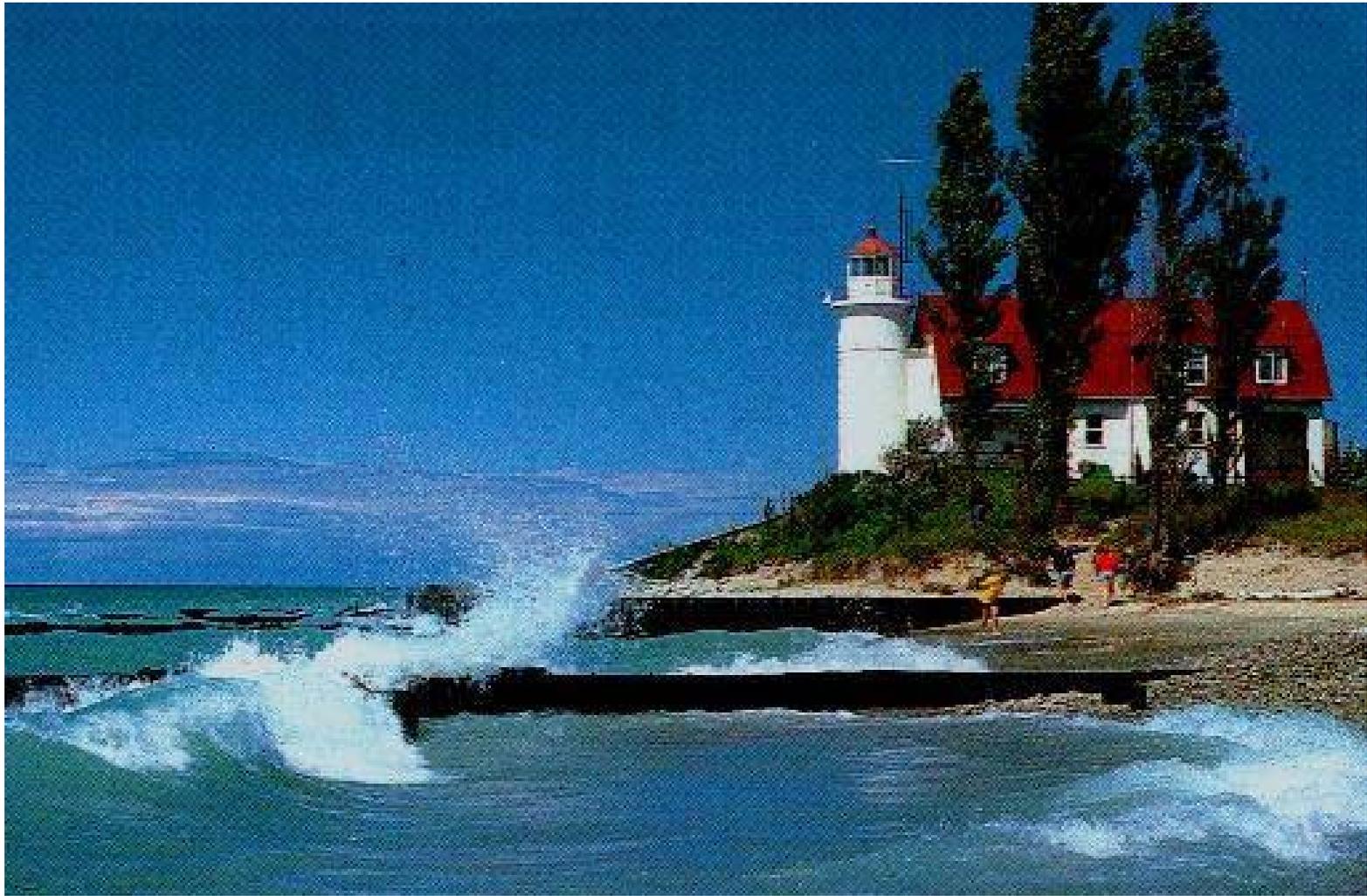
Dr. Ramesh R. Sarukkai, Yahoo! Search

outline



- images
- video
- speech

A Picture...



... is comprised of pixels



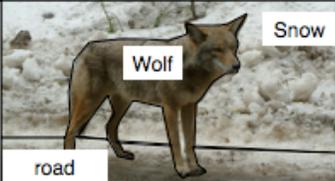
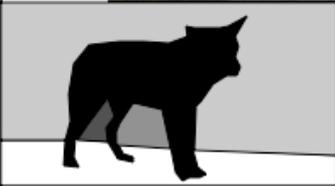
This is nothing new!



Seurat, Georges, A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte

The Semantic Gap



Semantics object relationships and more	Wolf on Road with Snow on Roadside in Yosemite National Park, California on 24/1/2004 at 23:19:11GMT
Object Labels symbolic names of objects	
Objects prototypical combinations of descriptors	
Descriptors feature-vectors	Segmented blobs, Salient regions, Pixel-level histograms, Fourier descriptors, etc...
Raw Media images	



The Semantic Gap

- Content-based retrieval often fails due to the gap between information extractable automatically from the visual data (feature-vectors) and the interpretation a user may have for the same data
 - ...typically between low level features and the image semantics
- The current hot topic in multimedia IR research

The Semantic Gap

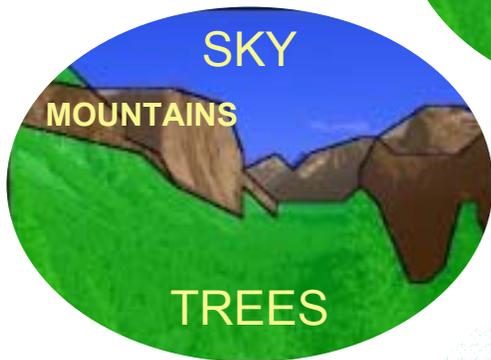


Raw Media

This is what we have to work with



Image-level descriptors



Content descriptors

This is what we want

Photo of Yosemite valley showing El Capitan and Glacier Point with the Half Dome in the distance

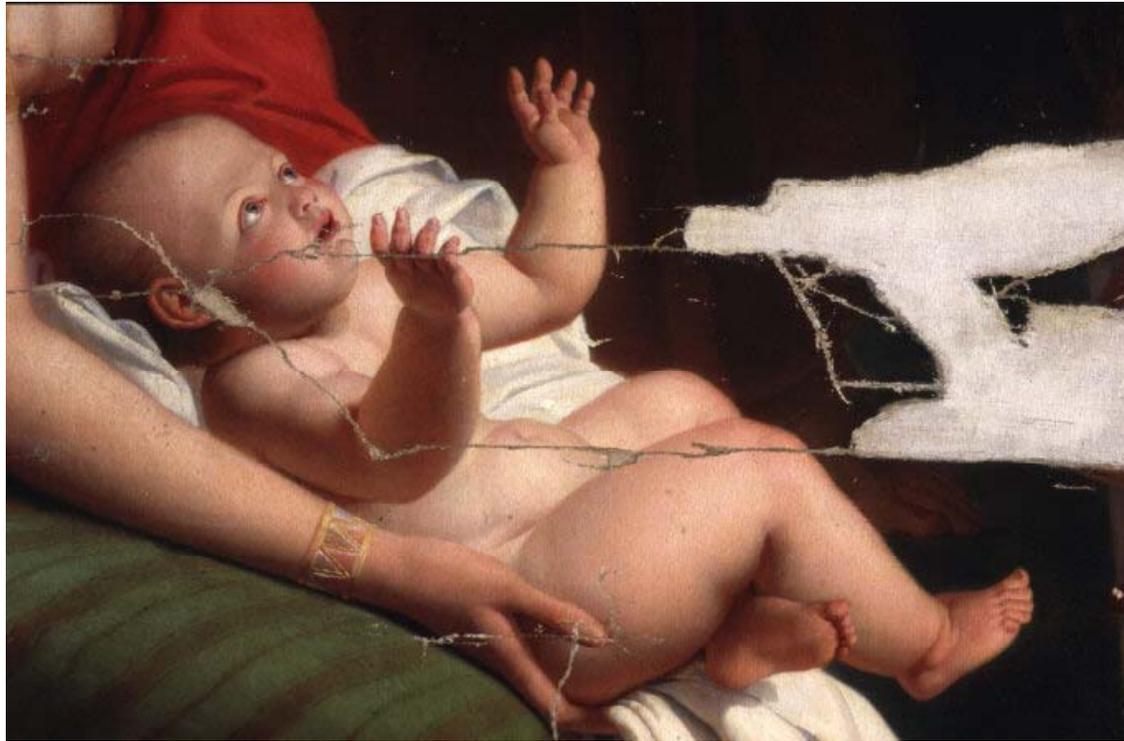
Semantic content



Sub-image matching

- Given a query image, find the parent image in the database with which it matches, either as a whole or as a part.
- Give location information showing where in the parent the query is positioned
- The images may be very high resolution
- The query and target may be at different resolutions

Example 1: Query



Example 1: Result

- Best matching image with sub-image identified



NB. Query is before restoration work, target is a restored image. Query and target image also differ in resolution

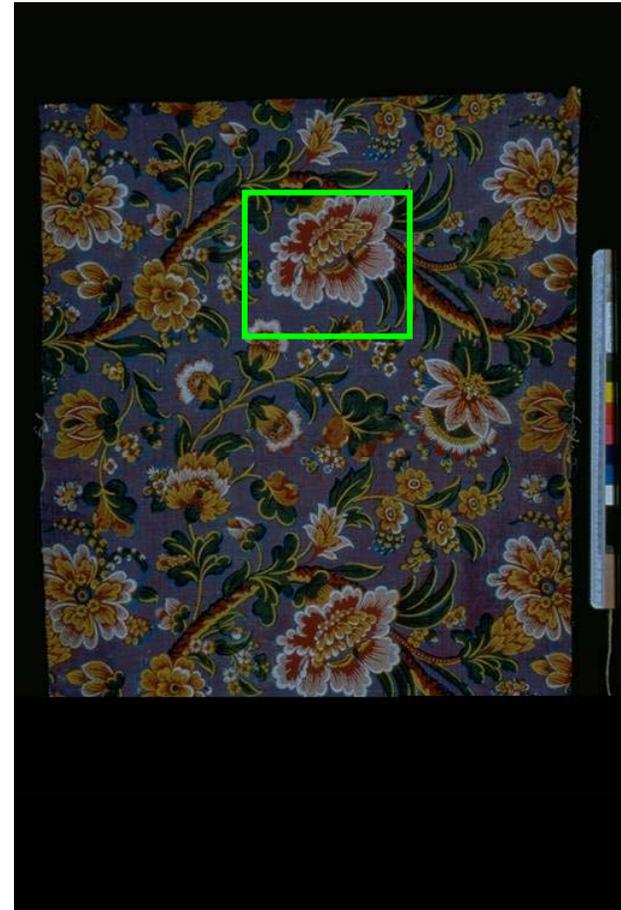
Example 2: Query



Example 2: Result



Best match
found, with sub-
image identified



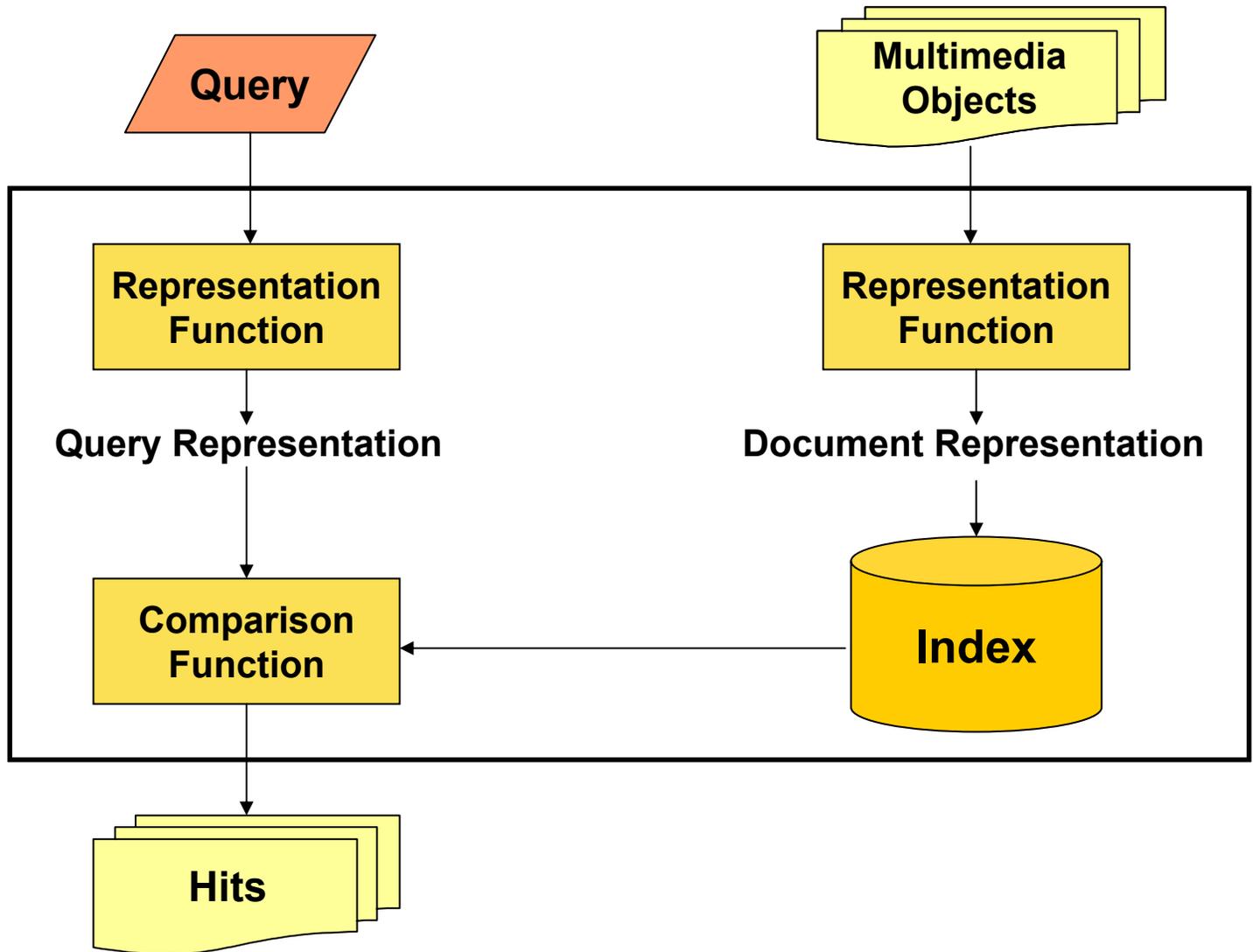
...Subsequent Best Matches



Retrieved results start from top-left to bottom right.



The IR Black Box

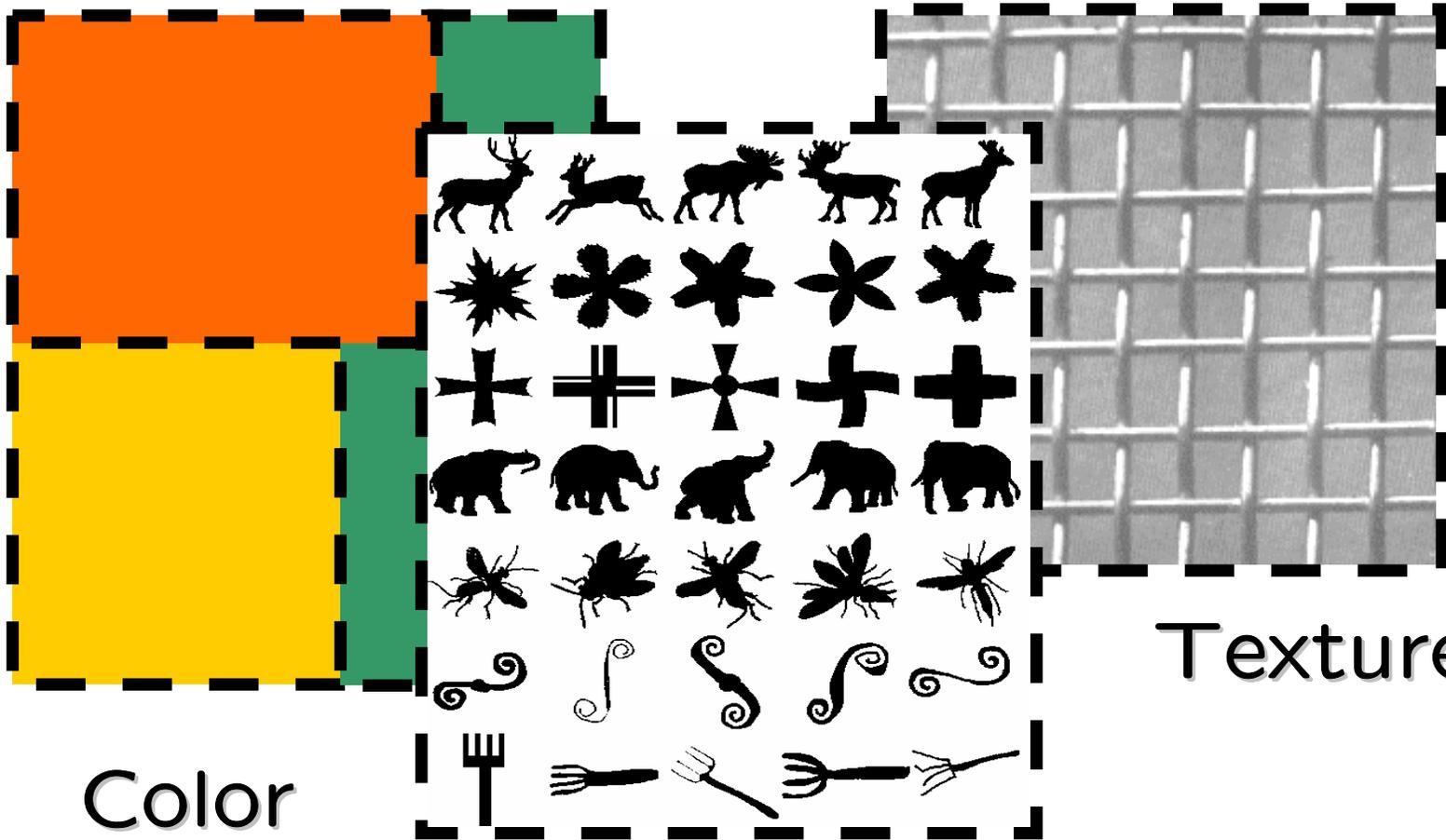




Recipe for Multimedia Retrieval

- Extract features
 - Low-level features: blobs, textures, color histograms
 - Textual annotations: captions, ASR, video OCR, human labels
- Match features
 - From “bag of words” to “bag of features”

Visual Features ...

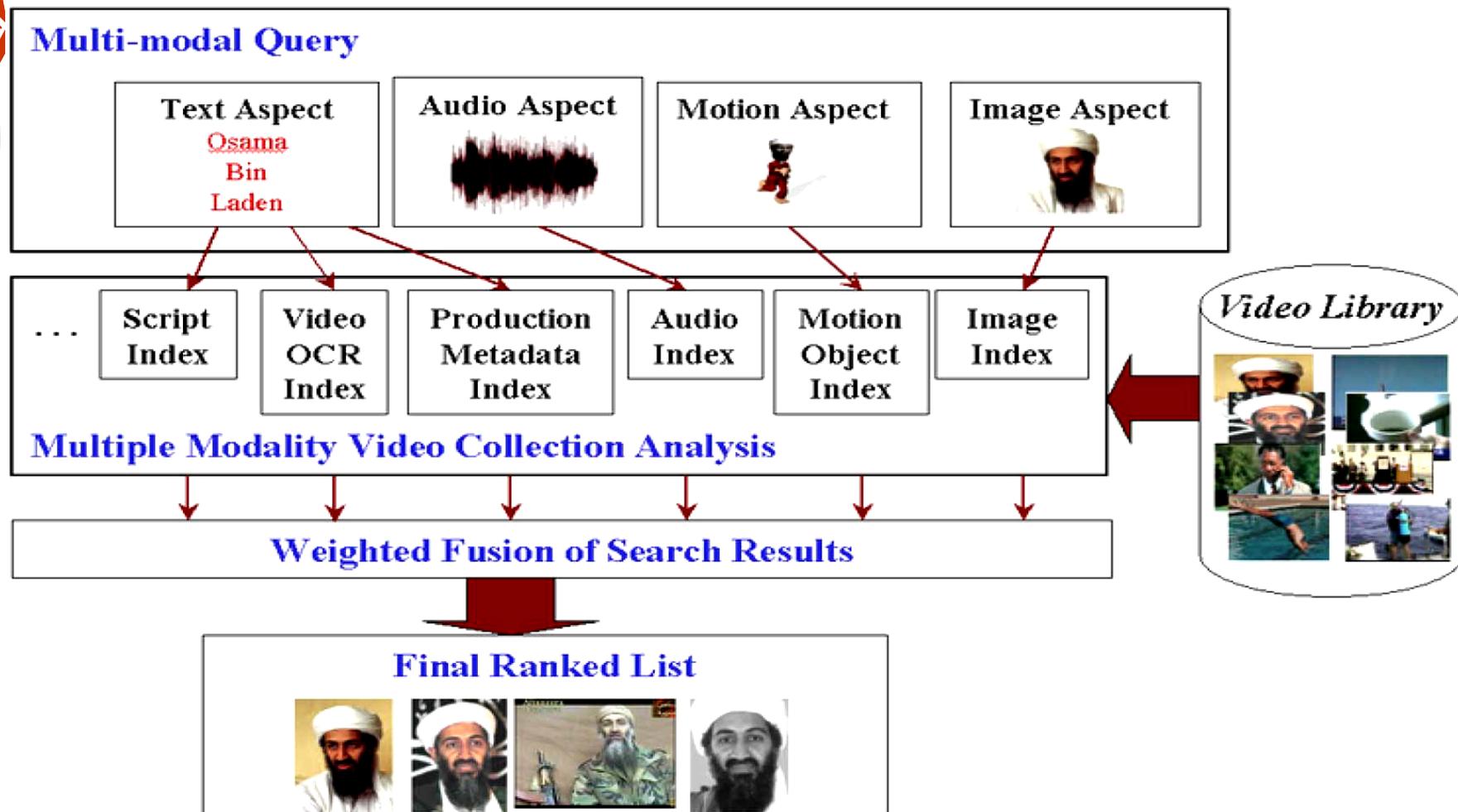


Color

Shape

Texture

Combination of Evidence

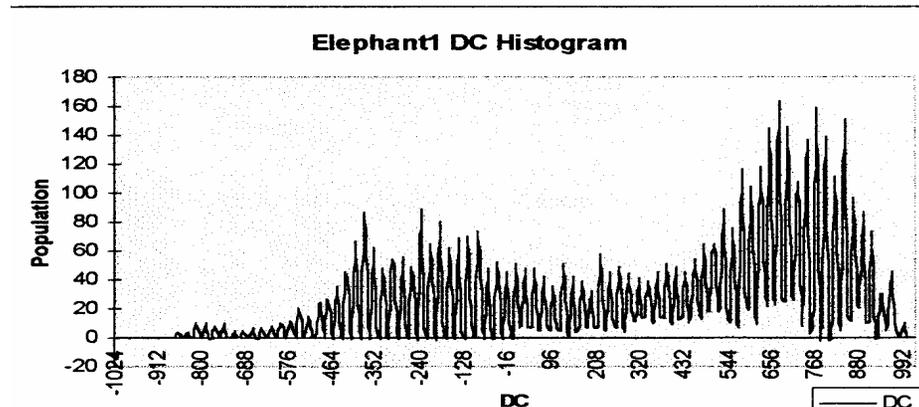
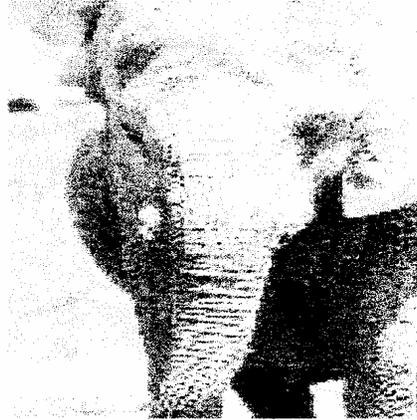




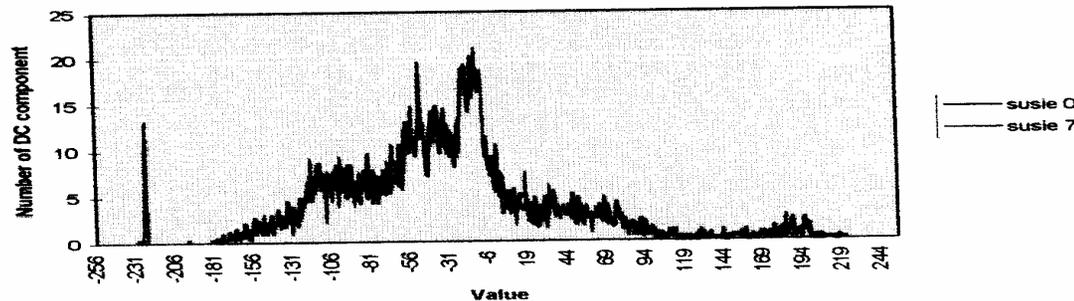
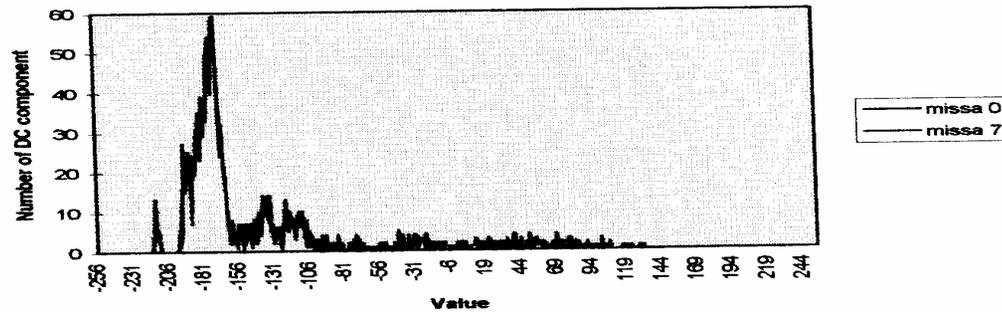
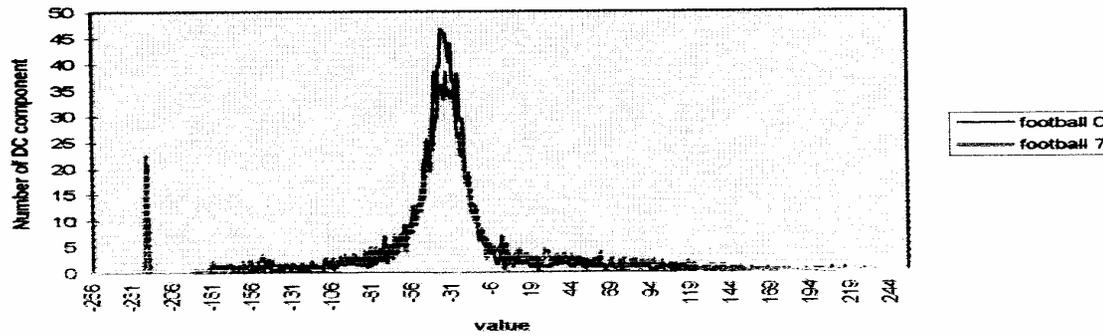
New Algorithm for Similarity-Based Retrieval of Images

- Images in the database are stored as JPEG-compressed images
- The user submits a request for search-by-similarity by presenting the desired image.
- The algorithm calculates the DC coefficients of this image and creates the histogram of DC coefficients.
- The algorithm compares the DC histogram of the submitted image with the DC histograms of the stored images.

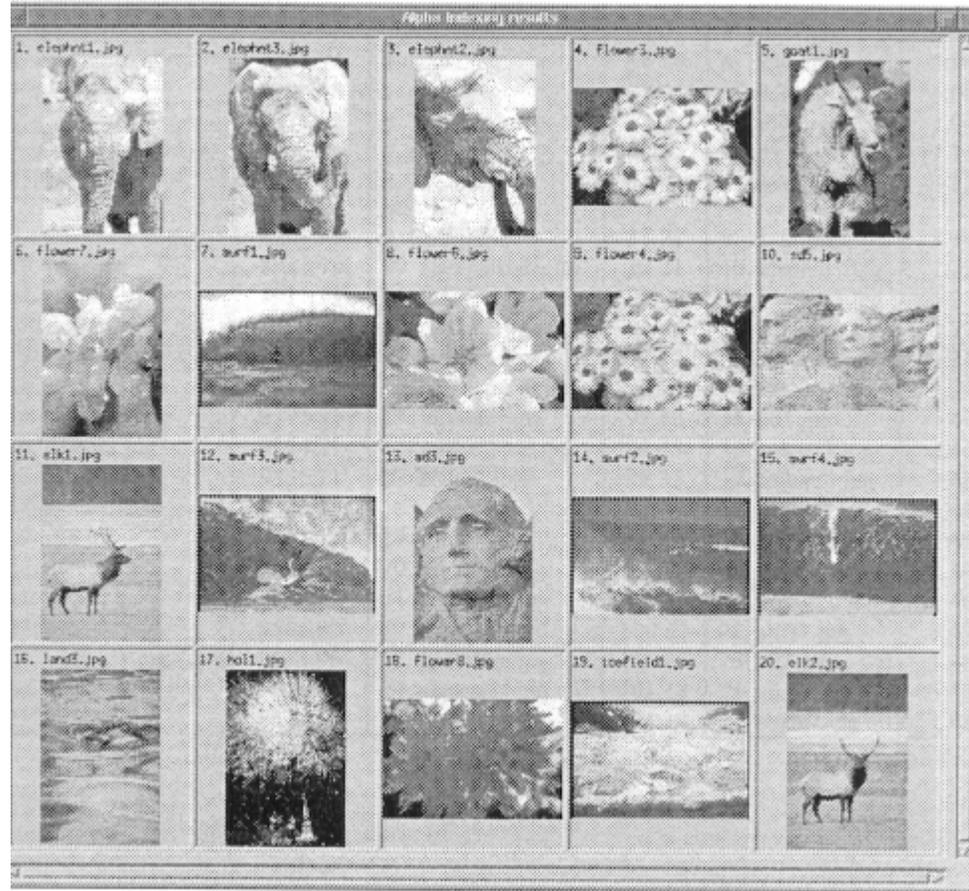
Histogram of DC Coefficients for the Image "Elephant"



Comparison of Histograms of DC Coefficients



Example of Similarity-Based Retrieval Using the DC Histograms

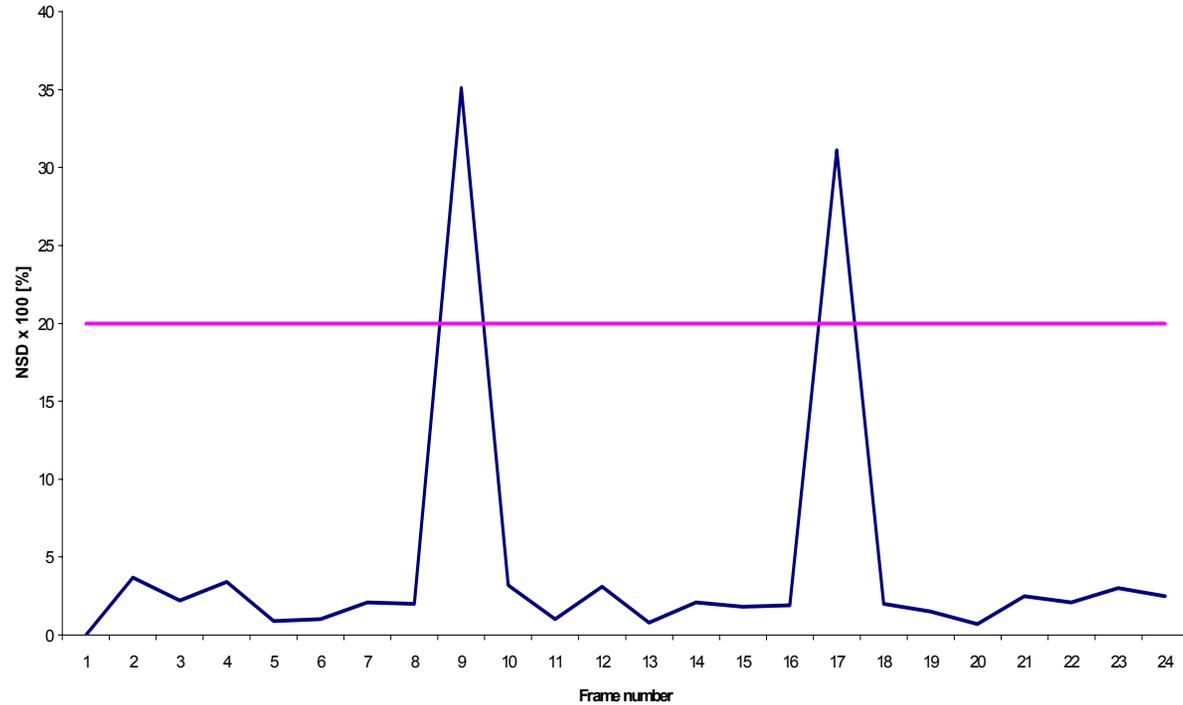


Similarity-Based Retrieval of Compressed Video



- Partitioning video into clips - video segmentation
- Key frame extraction
- Indexing and retrieval of key frames

DC Histogram Technique Applied for Video Partitioning



Example of Similarity-Based Retrieval of Key Frames Using DC Histograms



outline



- images
- video
- speech



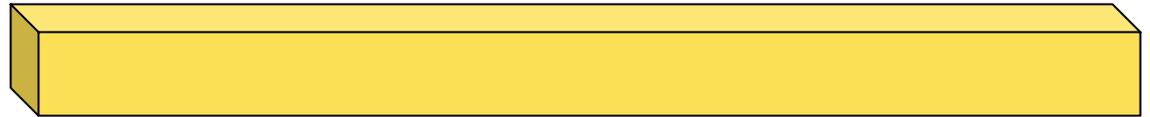
Images and Video

- A digital image = a collection of pixels
 - Each pixel has a “color”
- Different types of pixels
 - Binary (1 bit): black/white
 - Grayscale (8 bits)
 - Color (3 colors, 8 bits each): red, green, blue
- A video is simply lots of images in rapid sequence
 - Each image is called a frame
 - Smooth motion requires about 24 frames/sec
- Compression is the key!

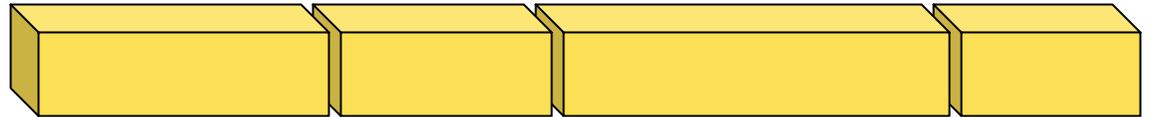
The Structure of Video



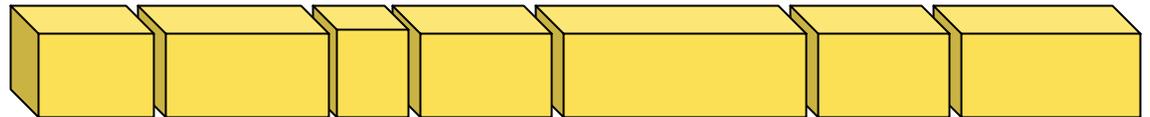
Video



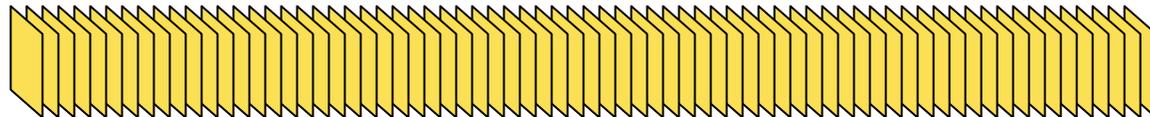
Scenes



Shots



Frames





TREC For Video Retrieval?

- TREC Video Track (TRECVID)
 - Started in 2001
 - Goal is to investigate content-based retrieval from digital video
 - Focus on the shot as the unit of information retrieval (why?)

<http://www-nlpir.nist.gov/projects/trecvid/>

- Test Data Collection in 2004:
 - 74 hours of CNN Headline News, ABC World News Tonight, C-SPAN



Searching Performance

Modality	MAP
Baseline: ASR + Closed Captions (CC)	0.155
ASR + CC + Video OCR	0.177
ASR + CC + VOOCR + Image Similarity weighted by query type	0.198
ASR + CC + VOOCR + Image Similarity weighted by development set query results	0.207
ASR + CC + VOOCR + Image Similarity weighted by development set query results + Person X retrieval	0.218

ASR = automatic speech recognition

CC = closed captions

VOOCR = video optical character recognition



Market Trends

- Broadband doubling over next 3-5 years
- Video enabled devices are emerging rapidly
- Emergence of mass internet audience
- Mainstream media moving to the Web
- International trends are similar
- Money Follows...



Market Trends(2005)

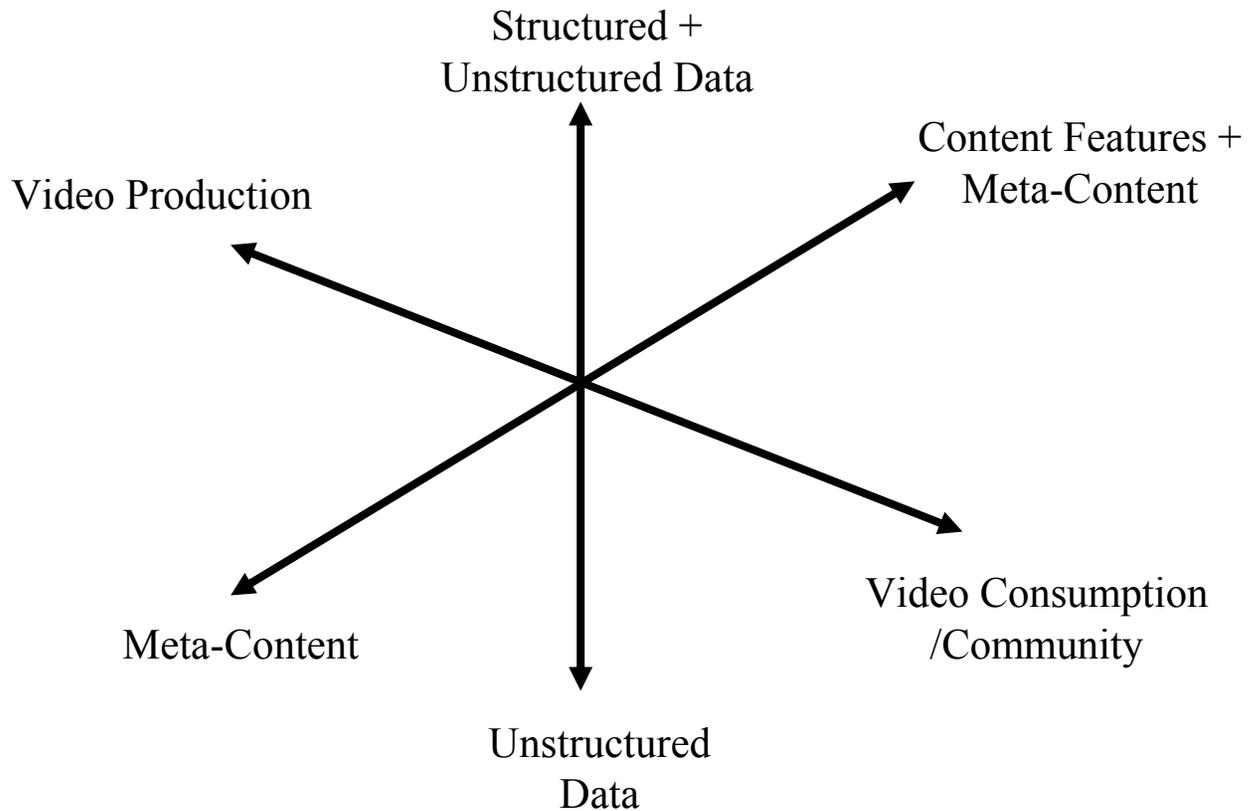
- How many of you are aware of video on the Web?
 - Large portion of online users
- How many have viewed a video on the Web in
 - The last 3 months?
 - 50%
 - The last 6 months?
 - Ever?
- Would you watch video on your devices (ipod/wireless)?
 - 1M downloads in 20 days (iPod)
- How many of you have produced video (personal or otherwise) recently?
 - Continuing to skyrocket with digital camera phones/devices
- How many of you have shared that with your friends/community? Would you have liked to?
 - Huge interest & adoption in viral communities



Market Trends

- Technology more media friendly
 - Storage costs plummeting (GB → TB)
 - CPU speed continuing to double (Moore's law)
 - Increased bandwidth
 - Device support for media
 - Adding media to sites drives traffic
 - Web continues to propel scalable infrastructure for media products/communities

Video Search



Video Search

– Media Information Retrieval

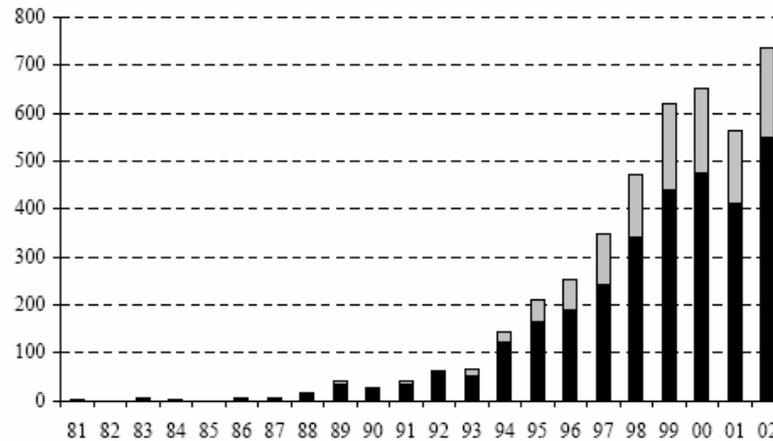
- Been around since the late 1970s
 - Text Based/DB
 - , Issues: Manual Annotation, Subjectivity of Human Perception
 - Content Based
 - , Color, texture, shape, face detection/recognition, speech transcriptions, motion, segmentation boundaries/shots
 - , High Dimensionality
 - , Limited success to date.

Citations:

“Image Retrieval: Current Techniques, Promising Directions, and Open Issues” [Rui et al 99]

Video Search

Active Research Area



Graph from "A new perspective on Visual Information Retrieval", Horst Eidenberger, 2004
Black: "Image Retrieval"; Grey:"Video Retrieval"; IEEE Digital Library

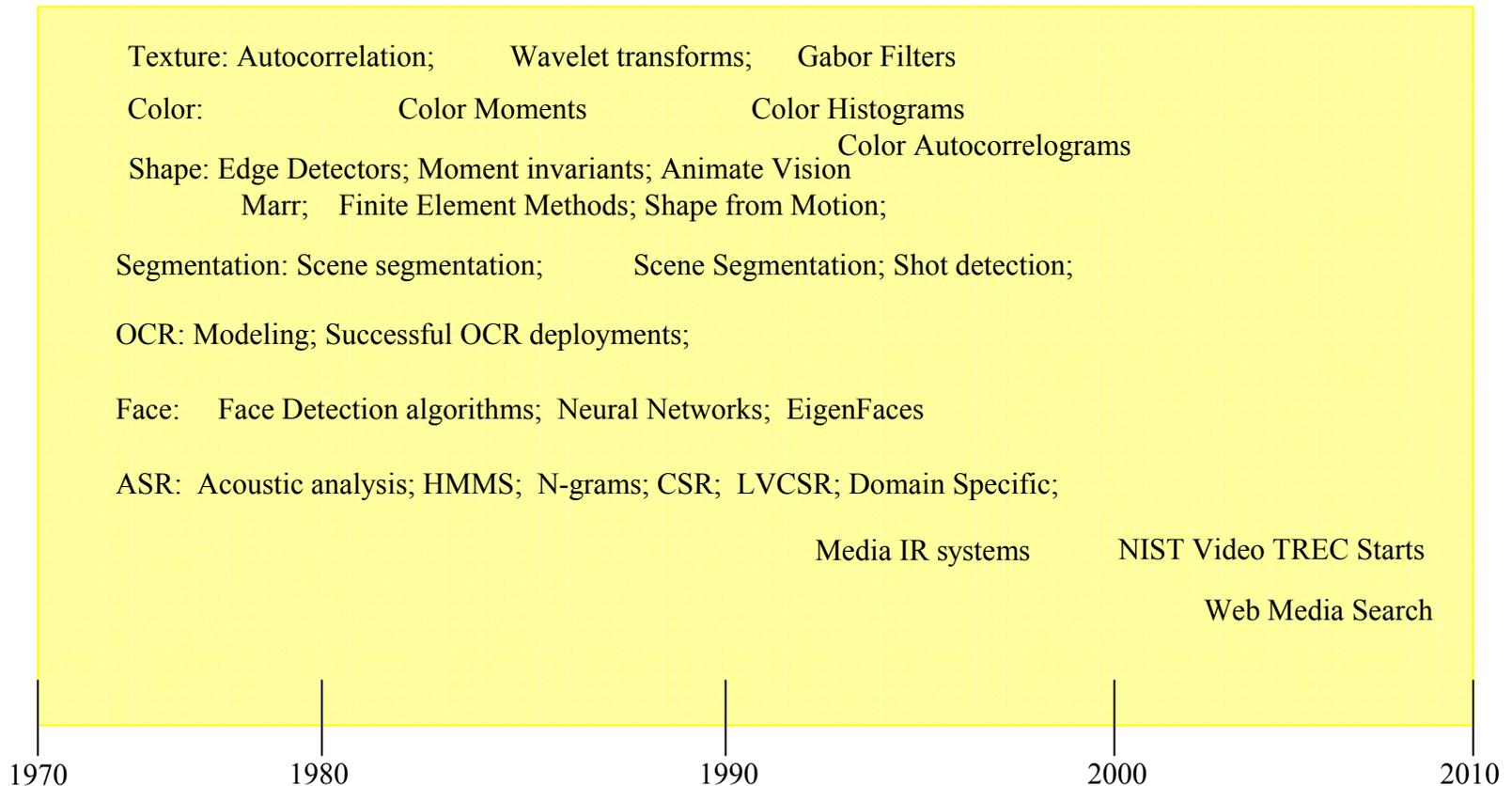


Video Search

Popular features/techniques:

- Color, Shape, Texture, Shape descriptors
- OCR, ASR
- A number of prototype or research products with small data sets
- More researched for visual queries

Video Search: Features



Video Search: Features



Color

- Robust to background
- Independent of size, orientation
- Color Histogram [Swain & Ballard]
- “Sensitive to noise and sparse”- Cumulative Histograms [Stricker & Orgengo]
- Color Moments
- Color Sets: Map RGB Color space to Hue Saturation Value, & quantize [Smith, Chang]
- Color layout- local color features by dividing image into regions
- Color Autocorrelograms

Texture

- One of the earliest Image features [Harlick et al 70s]
- Co-occurrence matrix
- Orientation and distance on gray-scale pixels
- Contrast, inverse deference moment, and entropy [Gotlieb & Kreyszig]
- Human visual texture properties: coarseness, contrast, directionality, likeliness, regularity and roughness [Tamura et al]
- Wavelet Transforms [90s]
- [Smith & Chang] extracted mean and variance from wavelet subbands
- Gabor Filters
- And so on

Region Segmentation

- Partition image into regions
- Strong Segmentation: Object segmentation is difficult.
- Weak segmentation: Region segmentation based on some homogeneity criteria

Scene Segmentation

- Shot detection, scene detection
- Look for changes in color, texture, brightness
- Context based scene segmentation applied to certain categories such as broadcast news



Video Search: Features

Shape

- Outer Boundary based vs. region based
- Fourier descriptors
- Moment invariants
- Finite Element Method (Stiffness matrix- how each point is connected to others; Eigen vectors of matrix)
- Turing function based (similar to Fourier descriptor) convex/concave polygons[Arkin et al]
- Wavelet transforms leverages multiresolution [Chuang & Kao]
- Chamfer matching for comparing 2 shapes (linear dimension rather than area)
- 3-D object representations using similar invariant features
- Well-known edge detection algorithms.

Face

- Face detection is highly reliable
 - Neural Networks [Rwoley]
 - Wavelet based histograms of facial features [Schneiderman]
- Face recognition for video is still a challenging problem.
 - EigenFaces: Extract eigenvectors and use as feature space

OCR

- OCR is fairly successful technology.
- Accurate, especially with good matching vocabularies.
- Script recognition still an open problem.

ASR

- Automatic speech recognition fairly accurate for medium to large vocabulary broadcast type data
- Large number of available speech vendors.
- Still open for free conversational speech in noisy conditions.

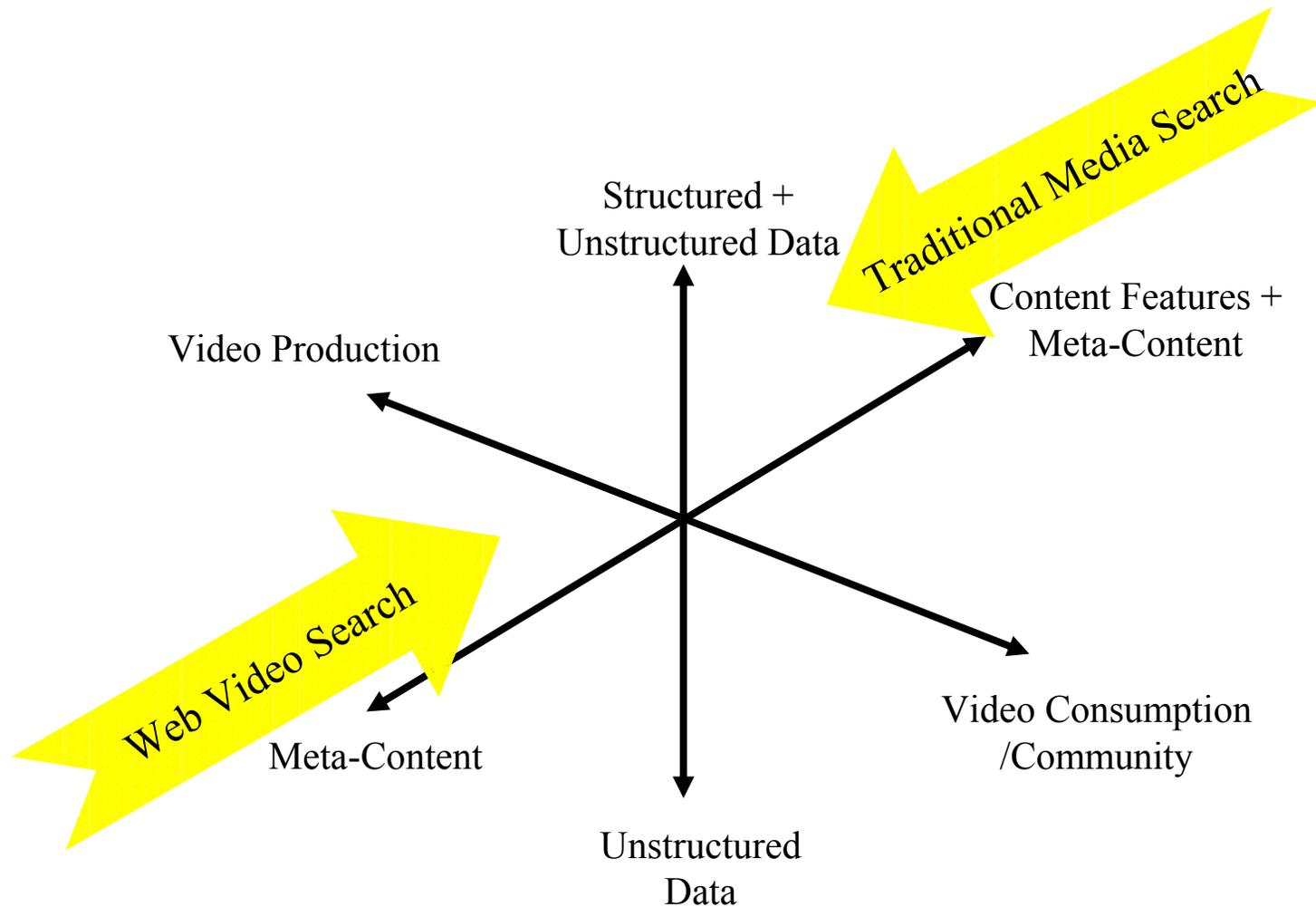


Video Search: Video TREC

- Overview:

- Shot detection, story segmentation, semantic feature extraction, information retrieval
- Corpora of documentaries, advertising films
- Broadcast news added in 2003
- Interactive and non-interactive tests
- CBIR features
- Speech transcribed (LIMSI)
- OCR

Video Search





Opportunities

Example 1:

- User query “zorro”
- User 1 wants to see Zorro videos
- User 2 wants to see Legend of Zorro movie clips
- User 3 just wants to see home videos about Zorro
- Can content based analysis help over structured meta-data query inference?



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zorro

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Video Results Results **1 - 20** of about **261** for **zorro**. Search took 0.06 seconds

[The Legend of Zorro Movie Page](#) - [Showtimes & Tickets](#) - [Photos](#) - [Reviews](#)
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Opportunities

Example 2:

- For main-stream head content such as news videos.
- Meta-data are fairly descriptive
- Usually queried based on non-visual attributes.
- Task: “Pull up recent Hurricane Katrina videos”



Video Results

Results 1 - 7 of about 2,425 for hurricane katrina. Search took 0.01 seconds

[Gallery View](#) | [Detail View](#)



[Dr. Phil McGraw visited wit...cane Katrina's survivors...](#)

CBSNews.com - Wednesday, September 14th, 2005

The people left devastated by Hurricane Katrina have to rebuild themselves both ph advice.

320x240 - 5min10sec - 30.0MB

www.cbsnews.com/sections/l_video/yahooVideo_frameset.html - [More from this site](#)



[Hurricane Katrina is now a ..., but still wreaks havoc...](#)

CBSNews.com - Tuesday, August 30th, 2005

Hurricane Katrina has been downgraded to Category 3, but has already penetrated Orleans, inside the Superdome and Baton Rouge.

320x240 - 4min35sec - 26.5MB

www.cbsnews.com/sections/l_video/yahooVideo_frameset.html - [More from this site](#)



[Strangers welcome Hurricane Katrina's evacuees. \(9/6/05\)](#)

CBSNews.com - Wednesday, September 7th, 2005

Some strangers welcome Hurricane Katrina's evacuees with open arms, reports CE

320x240 - 3min34sec - 20.8MB

www.cbsnews.com/sections/l_video/yahooVideo_frameset.html - [More from this site](#)



[Hurricane Katrina's Homeless](#)

CBSNews.com - Friday, September 30th, 2005

One month after Hurricane Katrina, thousands of people are still left homeless by th Chen has more on what folks in Houston shelters are facing.

320x240 - 2min49sec - 16.4MB

www.cbsnews.com/sections/l_video/yahooVideo_frameset.html - [More from this site](#)



[Politicians are pointing fi...ow Hurricane Katrina was...](#)

CBSNews.com - Monday, September 19th, 2005

The blame game for the response to Hurricane Katrina has been in full swing with p Assuras reports.

320x240 - 2min34sec - 14.9MB

www.cbsnews.com/sections/l_video/yahooVideo_frameset.html - [More from this site](#)



[Former FEMA boss testified ...ole in Hurricane Katrina...](#)

CBSNews.com - Thursday, September 29th, 2005

Former FEMA Director Michael Brown testified before a House committee investigati Katrina. Bob Orr reports.

320x240 - 2min30sec - 14.6MB

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[Hurricane Katrina Downgraded](#)

CBSNews.com - Tuesday, August 30th, 2005

Opportunities



Example 3:

- Creative Home Video
- Community video rendering!

- The now “famous” Star Wars Kid
- Example of “social buzz” combined with innovative tail content video production.



Video Results

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Results **1 - 20** of about **267** for **star wars kid**. Search took 0.21 seconds

View: Grid | List



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Opportunities

A hard example:

- Lets take an example:
“Supposing you want to find videos that depict a monkey/chimp doing karate”!
- CBIR Approach:
 - Train models for Chimps/Monkeys
 - Motion Analysis for Karate movement models
 - Many open issues/problems!



Yahoo! Video Search Results for monkey karate

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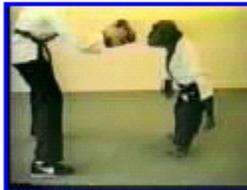
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Results - Video Search **BETA**

Results 1 - 17 of about 17 for **monkey karate**. Search took 0.24 seconds



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Video Data Management

1. Video Parsing

- Manipulation of whole video for breakdown into key frames.
- Scene: single dramatic event taken by a small number of related cameras.
- Shot: A sequence taken by a single camera
- Frame: A still image

2. Video Indexing

- Retrieving information about the frame for indexing in a database.

3. Video Retrieval and browsing

- Users access the db through queries or through interactions.

System overview

Query



*Shot
boundary
detection*

*Feature
generation*

*k-nn
(boost, VSM)*

*Relevance
feedback*

Test
data



Key
frames

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Feature
vectors

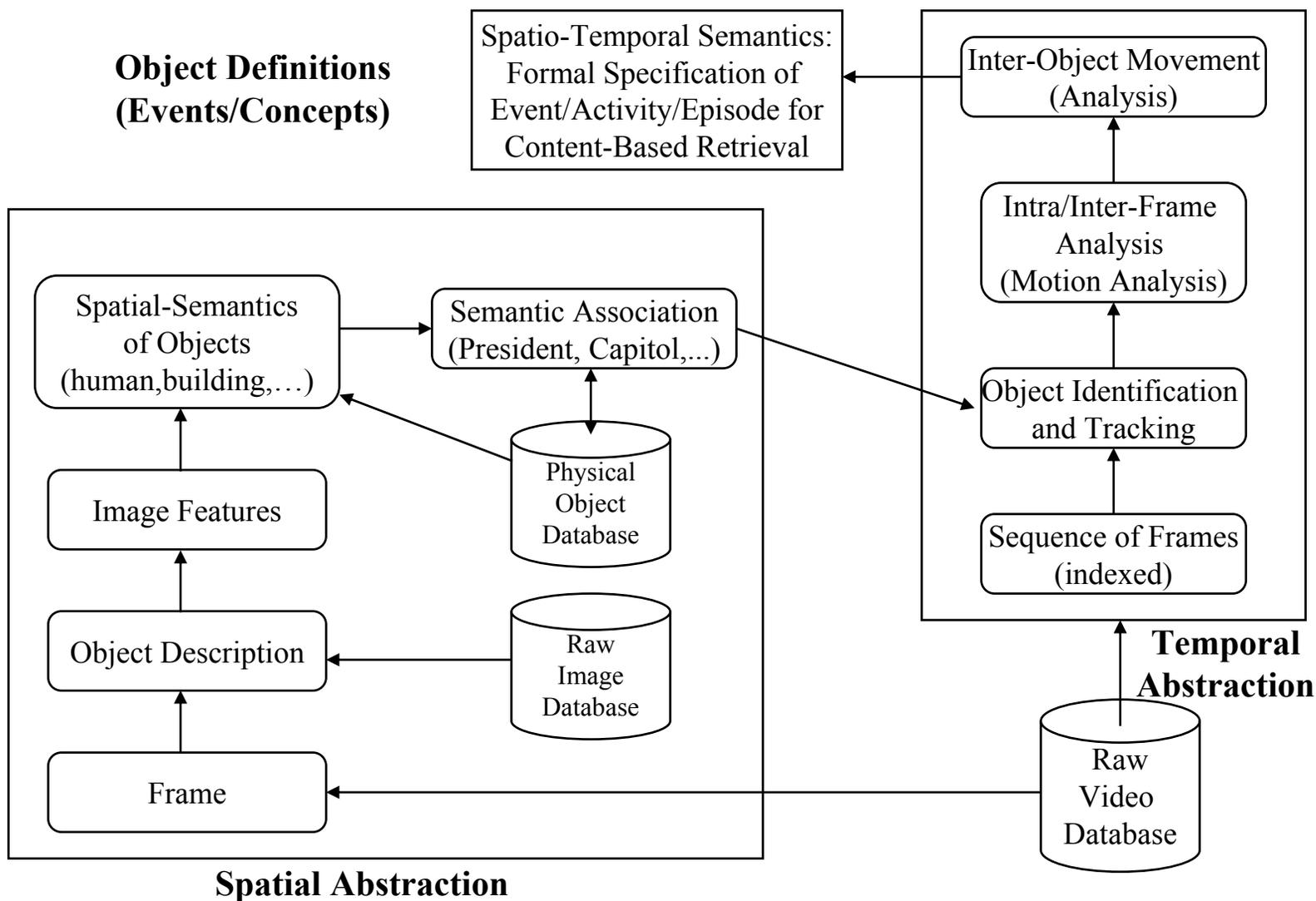
Distances

Weighted
sum of
distances

Retrieved
results



An Architecture for Video Database System





Video Data Management

- Metadata-based method
- Text-based method
- Audio-based method
- Content-based method
- Integrated approach



Metadata-based Method

- Video is indexed and retrieved based on structured metadata information by using a traditional DBMS
- Metadata examples are the title, author, producer, director, date, types of video.



Text-based Method

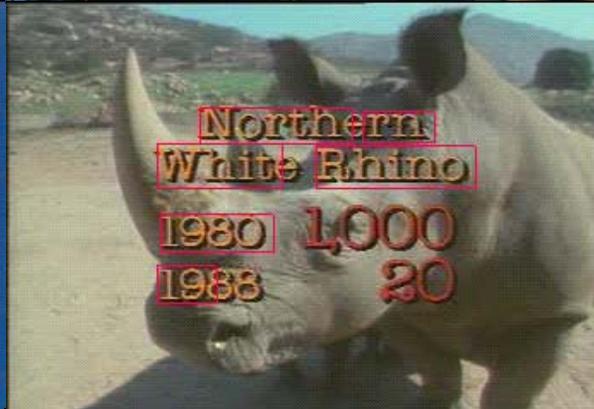
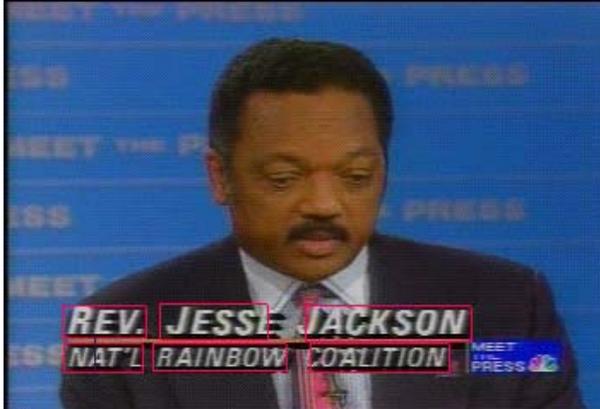
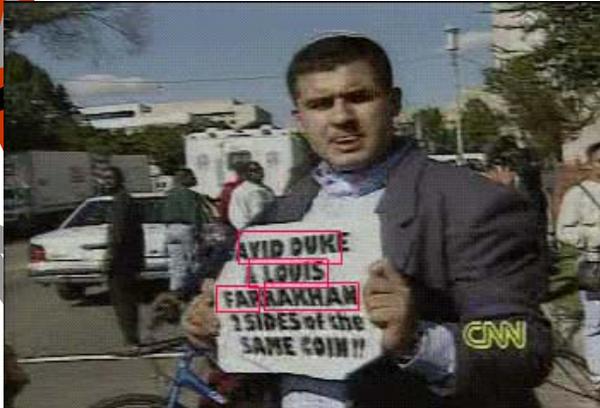
- Video is indexed and retrieved based on associated subtitles (text) using traditional IR techniques for text documents.
- Transcripts and subtitles are already exist in many types of video such as news and movies, eliminating the need for manual annotation.



Text-based Method

- Basic method is to use human annotation
- Can be done automatically where subtitles / transcriptions exist
 - BBC: 100% output subtitled by 2008
- Speech recognition for archive material

Text Detection



Video Frames

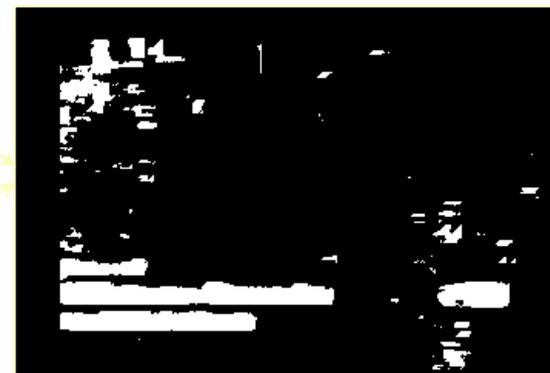
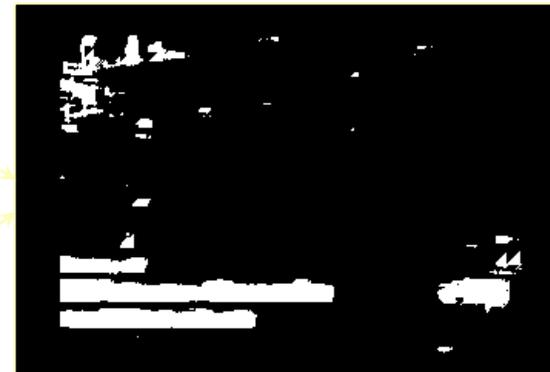
(1/2 s intervals)



Filtered Frames



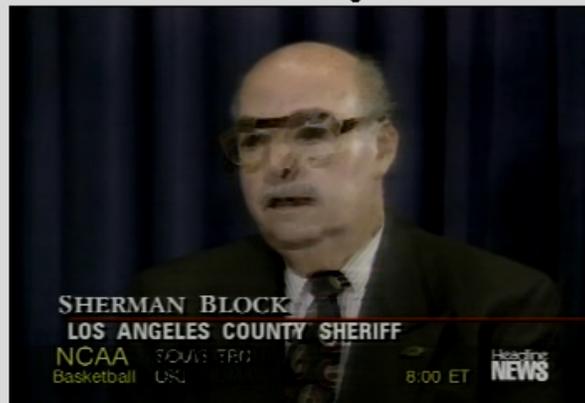
AND-ed Frames



Source Video:



Time-Based Minimum Image:



Final VOCR Results:

**FREEMAN
BLOCK
LOS
ANGELES
COUNTY
SHERIFF**

Text Region

SHERMAN BLOCK

Filtered Text

SHERMAN BLOCK

Binarized Segmned

SHERMAN BLOCK

OCR:

S H E R M A N B L O C K

Text Region

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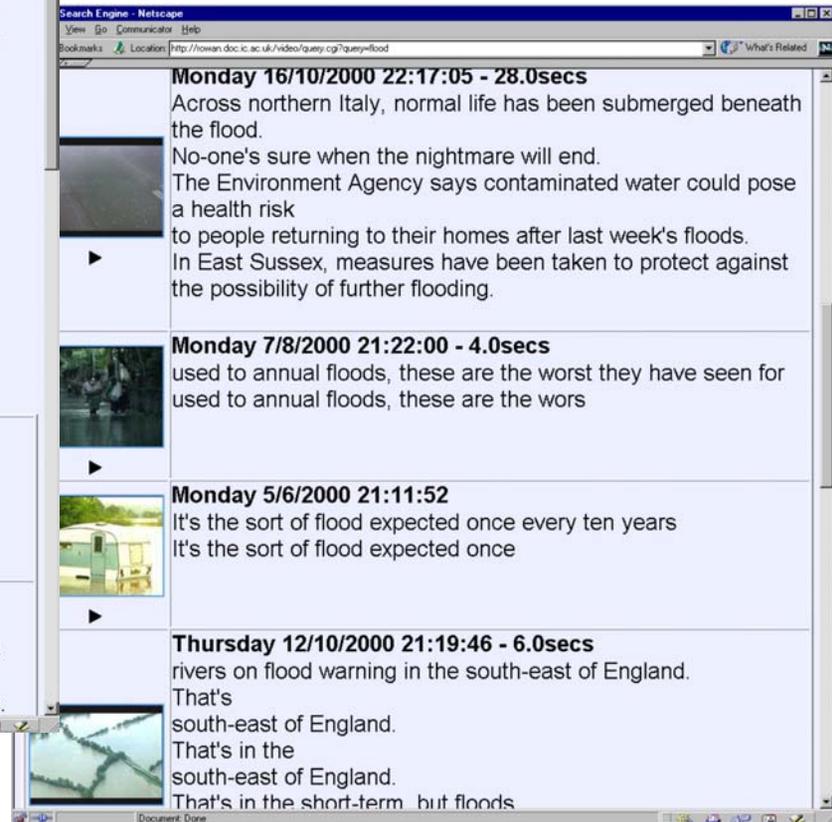
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OCR:

L O S A N G E L E S C O U N T Y S H E R I F F

Text-based Method

- Key word search based on subtitles
- Content based



- Live demo:
<http://km.doc.ic.ac.uk/vse/>

Text-based Method

Video Search Engine - Netscape

File Edit View Go Communicator Help

Location: http://rowan.doc.ic.ac.uk/video/context.cg?file=/news/050600/050600_0073

Broadcast News Browser

To view the video and subtitles, you must have the RealPlayer installed.



Click the preview frame to make it the current clip.

Previous	Monday 5/6/2000 21:11:23 Worst affected was the Calder Valley, where over 500 homes were flooded. The River Ouse at its highest ever level for this time of year. The river uesz in York is tonight more than 14 feet above more than 14 feet above normal. People are bracing themselves. People are bracing themselves. It's the sort of flood expected
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Next	Monday 5/6/2000 21:11:55 once every ten years in winter. But this is June - a time for lazy But this is June - a time for lazy days and holidays, which days and holidays, which for thousands has turned into a

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Spoken Document Retrieval



Acoustic Modeling

Describes the sounds that make up speech



Speech Recognition

Lexicon

Describes which sequences of speech sounds make up valid words

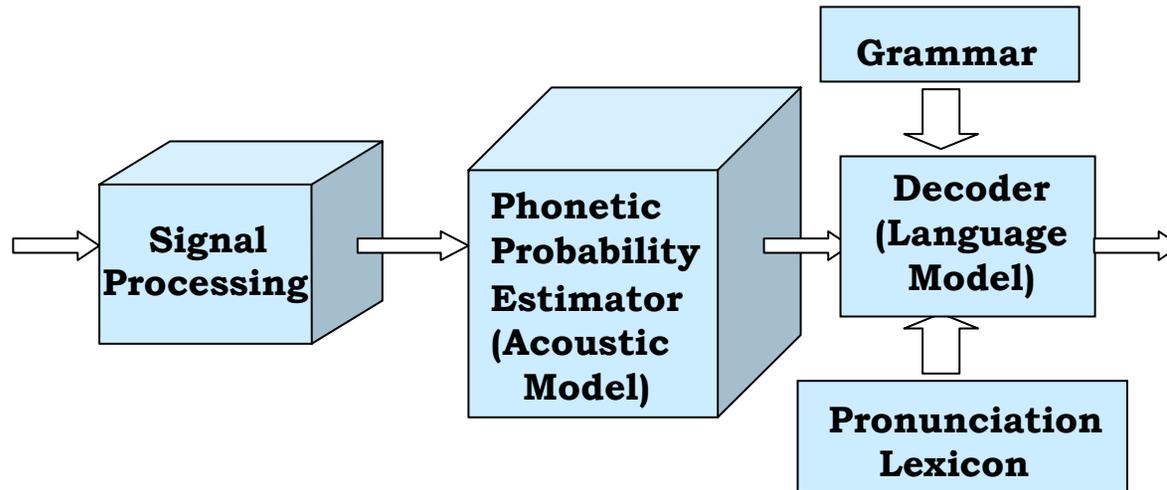


Language Model

Describes the likelihood of various sequences of words being spoken



Speech Recognition in Brief



Hints For Better Recognition

- Goal: improve the estimation $p(\text{word}|\text{acoustic_sig})$
- Main idea:
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What could be X ?

- Topical information
- News of the day
- Image information ?





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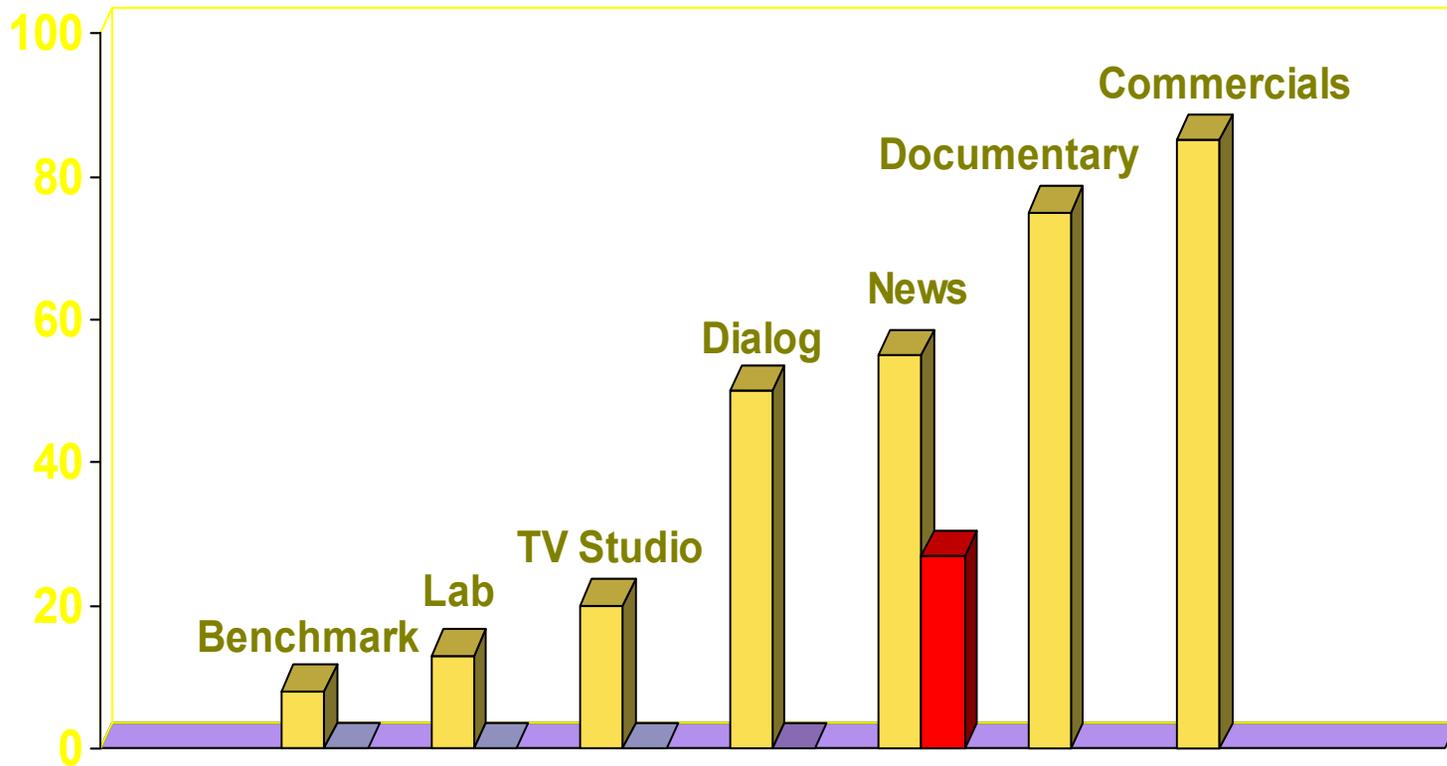
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 - Lip reading
 - Video Optical Character Recognition (VOCR)



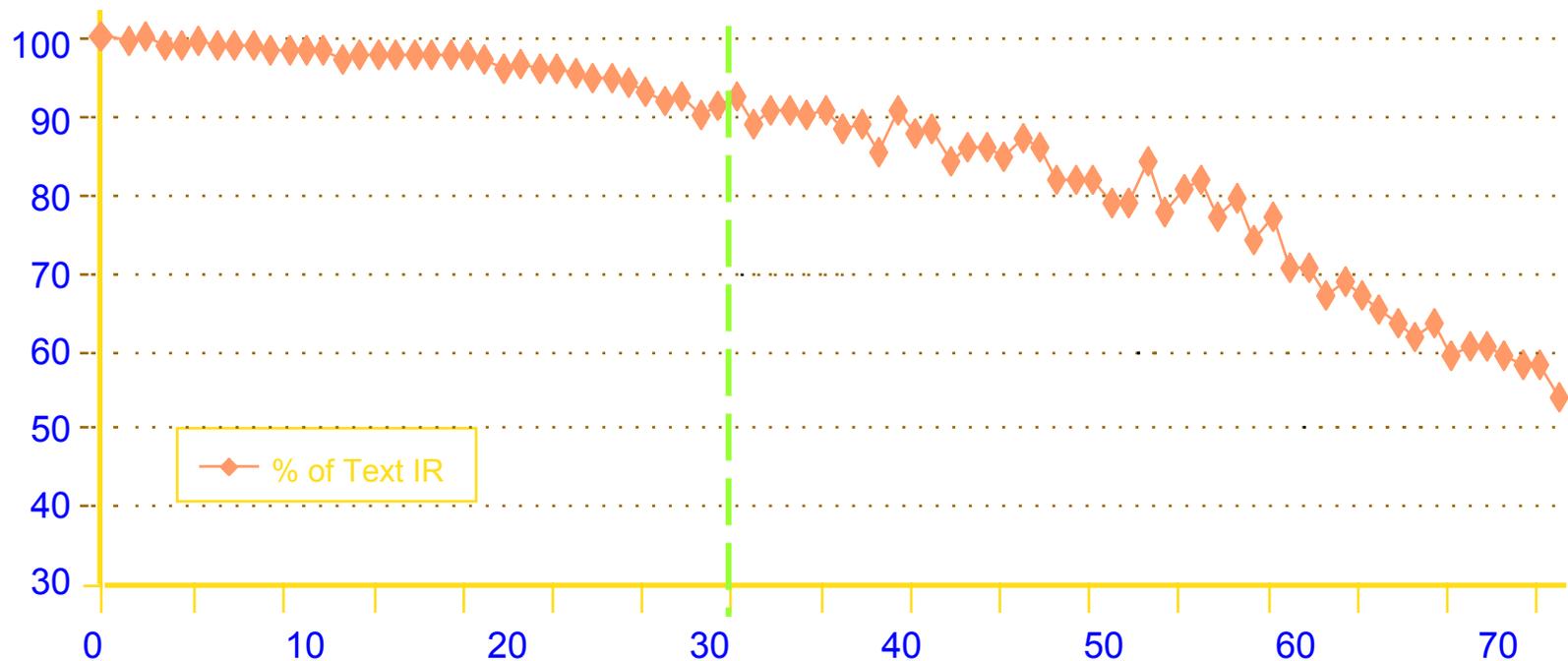
Speech Recognition Accuracy Word Error Rate



Information Retrieval Precision vs. Speech Accuracy



Relative Precision



A rather small degradation in retrieval when word error rate is small than 30%

Spoken Document Retrieval: Document Expansion



- Motivation: documents are erroneous (or ambiguous)
- Goal: apply expansion techniques to correct the word errors in documents
- Similar to query expansion
 - Treat each speech document as a query
 - Find clear documents that are relevant to speech documents
 - Expand each speech document with the words that are common in the clear documents that are relevant.

Demos



<http://images.google.com/>

<http://video.google.com/>

<http://www.hermitagemuseum.org/fcgi-bin/db2www/qbicSearch.mac/qbic?selLang=English>

<http://amazon.ece.utexas.edu/~qasim/research.htm>

<http://mp7.watson.ibm.com/>

<http://viper.unige.ch/research/video/>

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exam topics



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