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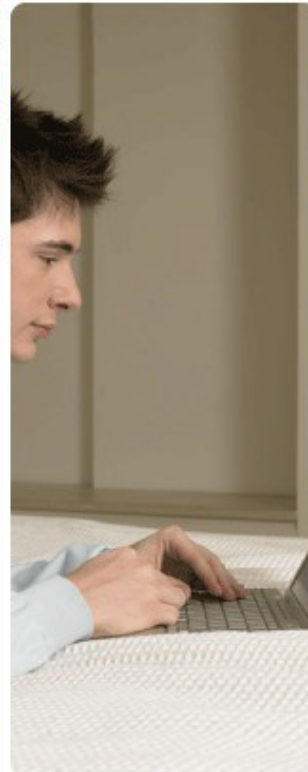


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Near-duplicate detection: Cool access mode!



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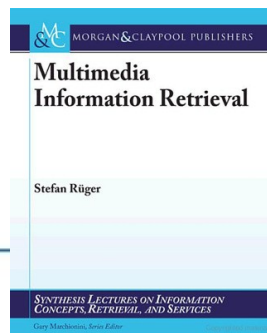
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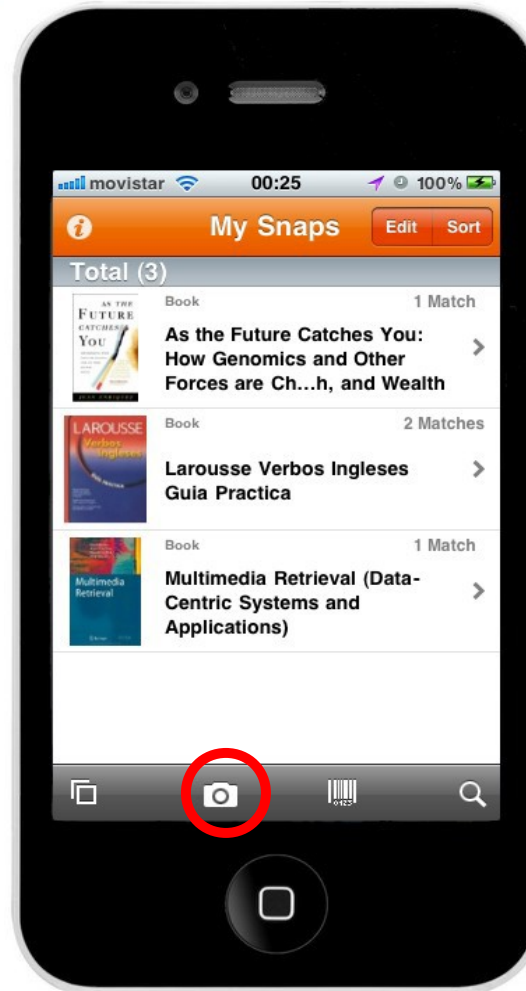
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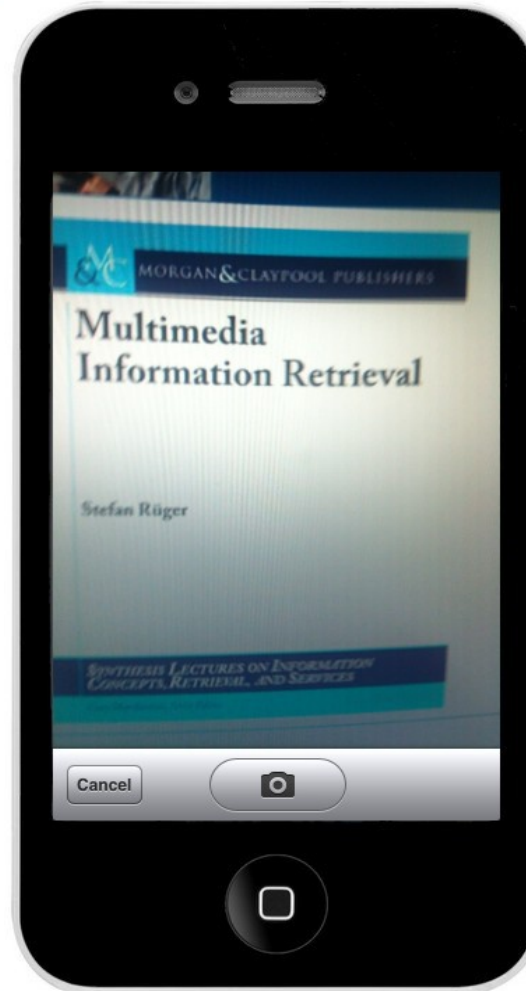


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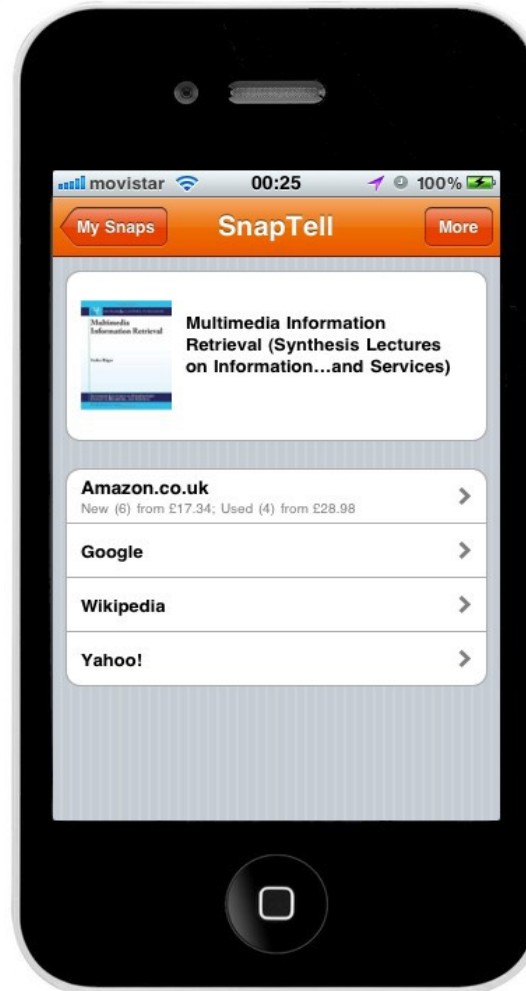


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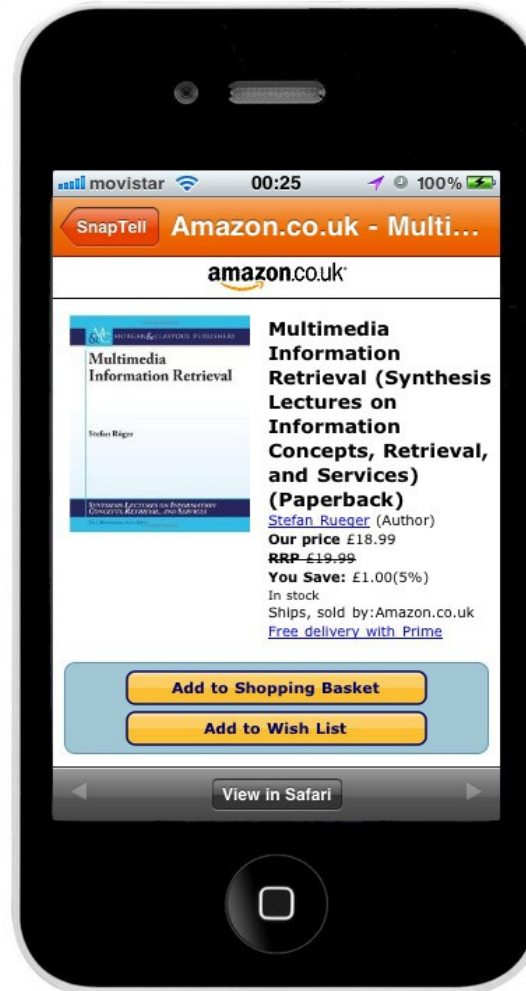


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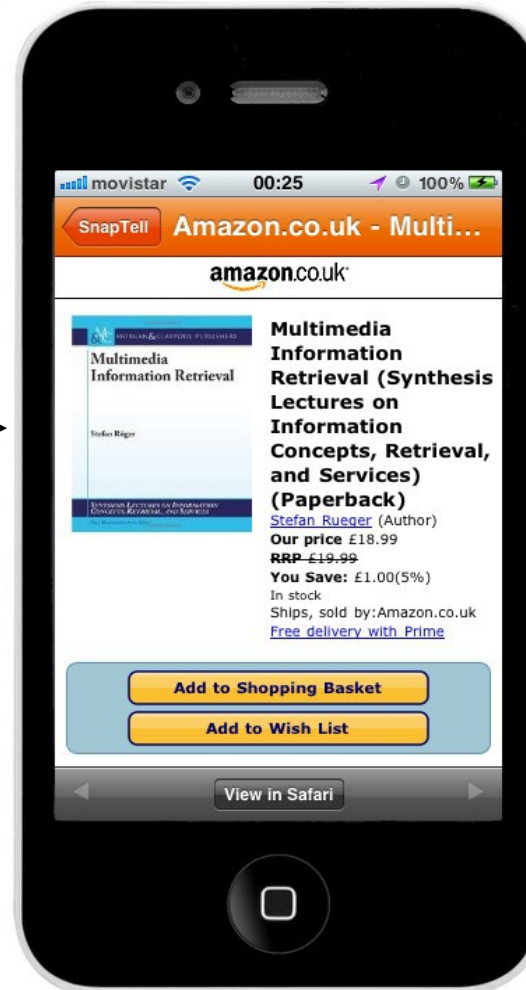
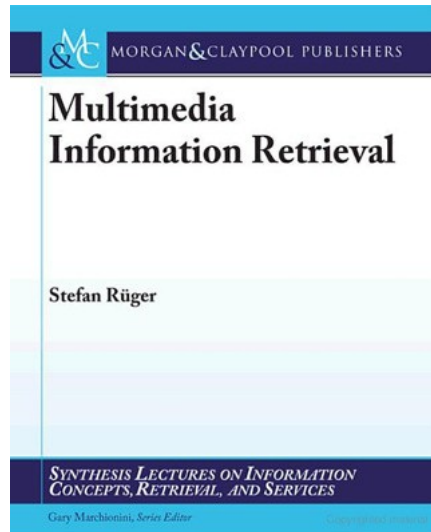


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Link from real world to databases



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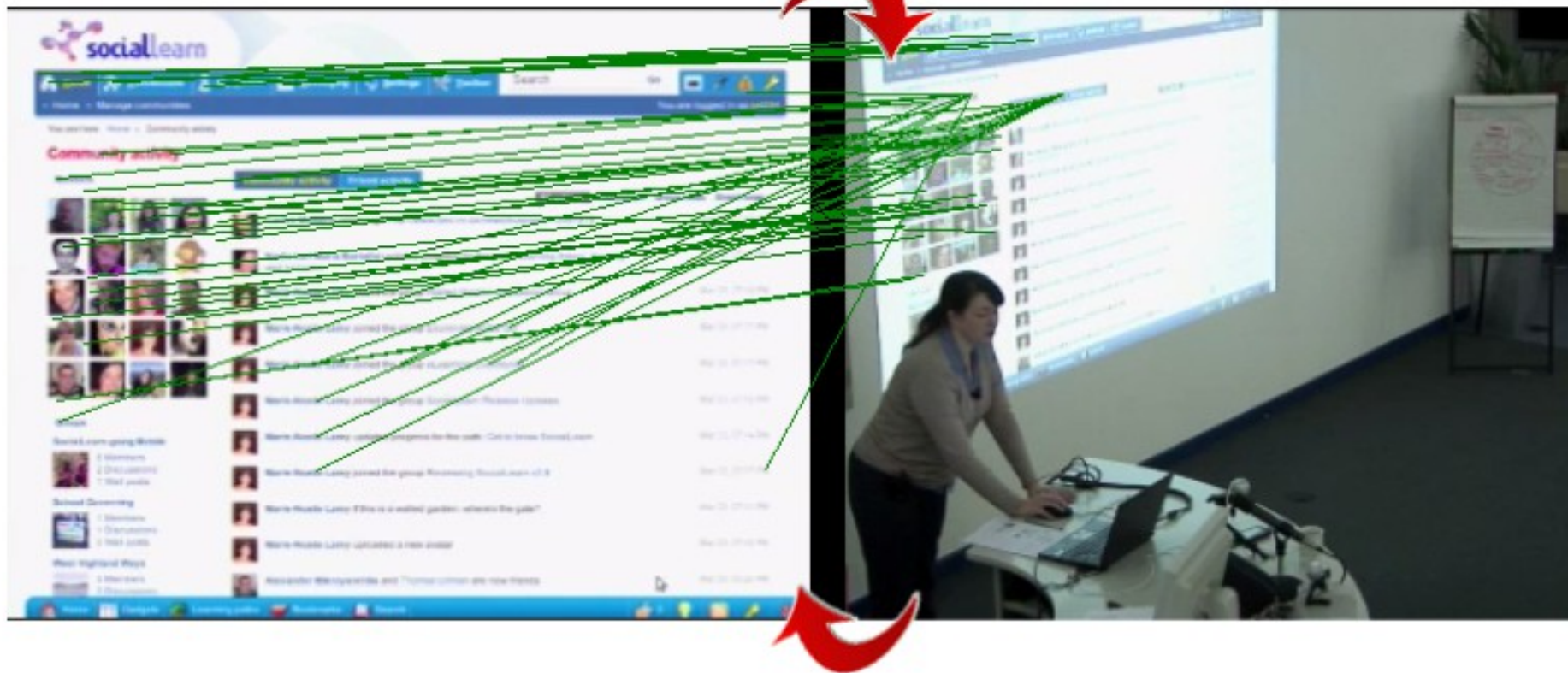
Scott Forrest: $E=MC$ squared

"Between finished surface texture and raw quarried stone. Between hard materials and soft concepts. Between text and context."

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Linking media





Near duplicate detection

Works well in 2d: CD covers, wine labels, signs, ...

Less so in near 2d: buildings, vases, ...

Not so well in 3d: faces, complex objects, ...



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Near-duplicate detection: How does it work?

Fingerprinting technique

- 1 Compute salient points
- 2 Extract “characteristics” from vicinity (feature)
- 3 Make invariant under rotation & scaling
- 4 Quantise: create visterms
- 5 Index as in text search engines
- 6 Check/enforce spatial constraints after retrieval



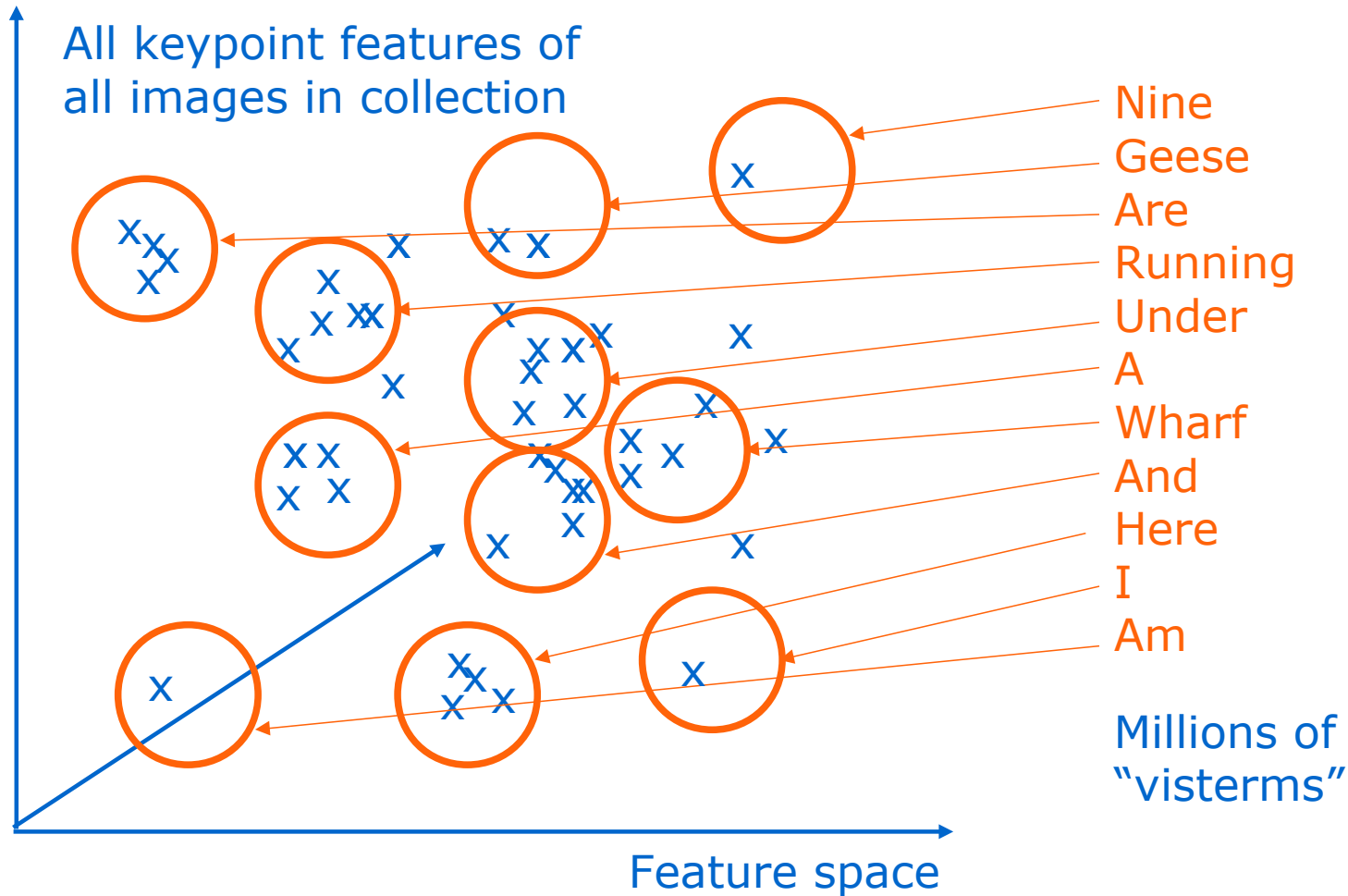
NDD: Compute salient points and features



Eg, SIFT features: each salient point described by a feature vector of 128 numbers; the vector is invariant to scaling and rotation

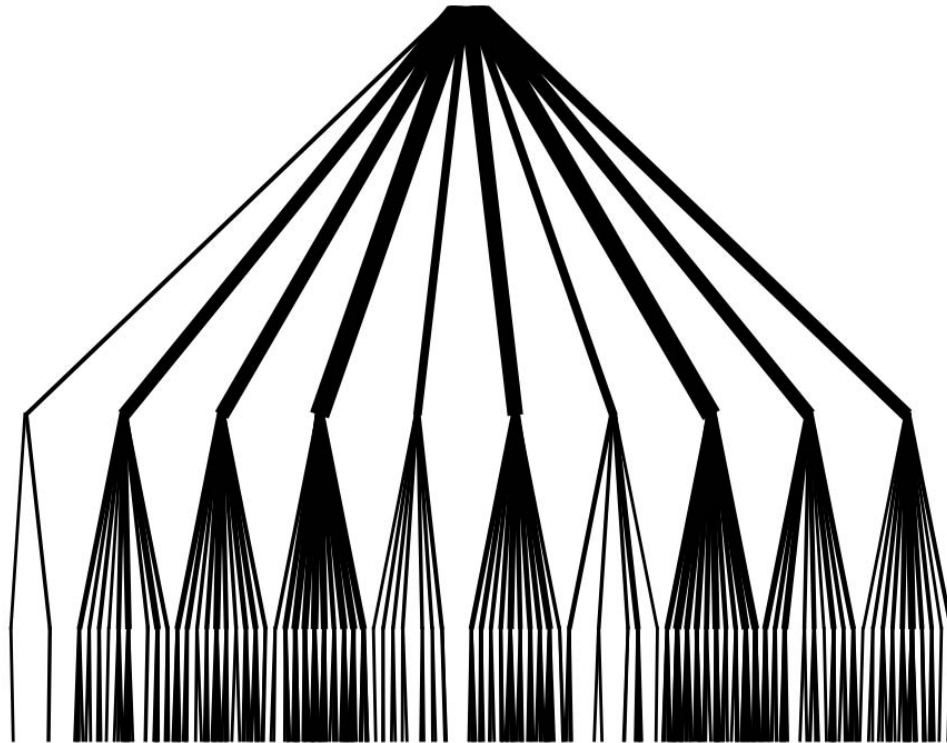


NDD: Keypoint feature space clustering



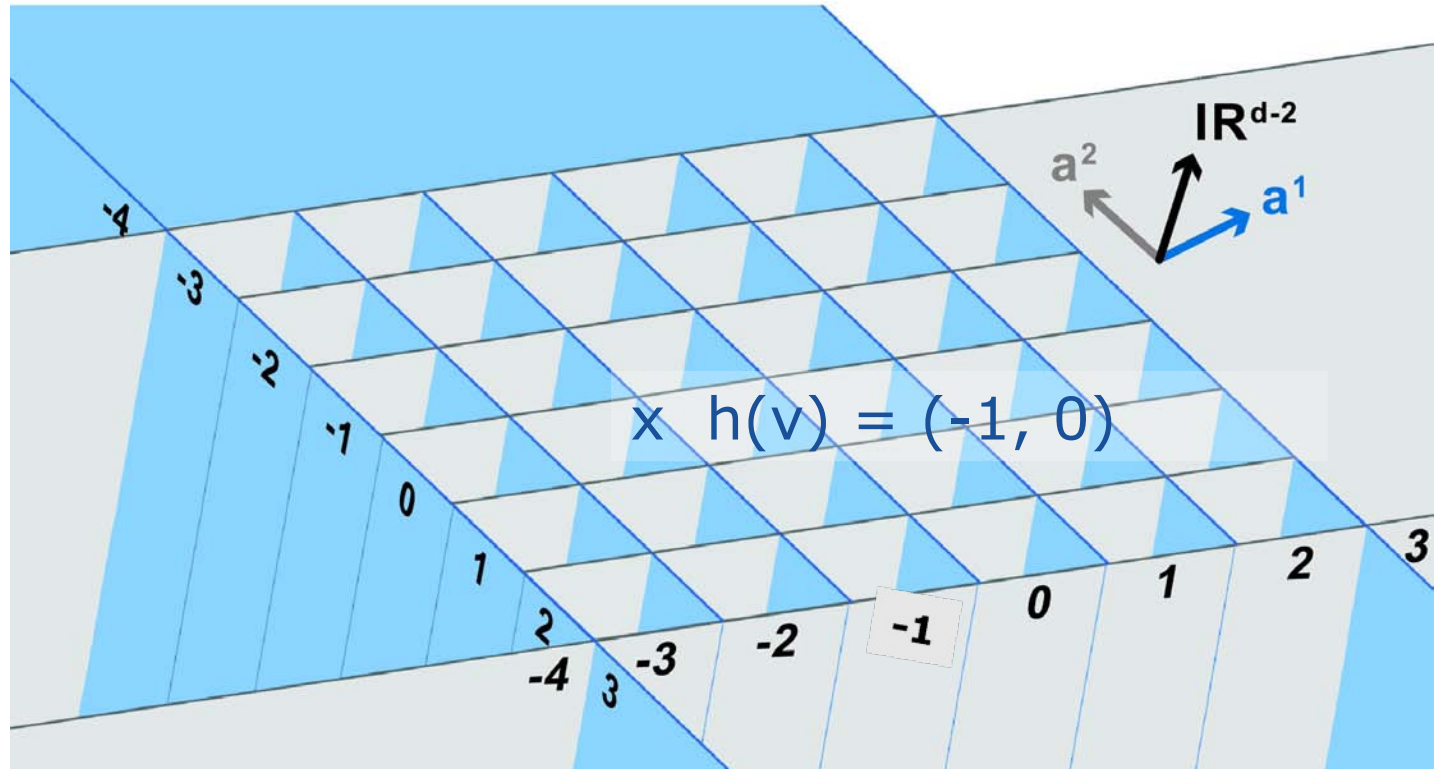


Clustering Hierarchical k-means





Quantisation LSH hashes





NDD: Encode all images with visterms



Jkjh Geese Bjlkj Wharf
Ojkkjhhj Kssn Klkekjl Here
Lkjkll Wjjkll Kkjlk Bnm
Kllkgjg Lwoe Boerm ...



NDD: query like text

At query time compute salient points,
keypoint features and visterms

Query against database of images
represented as bag of visterms

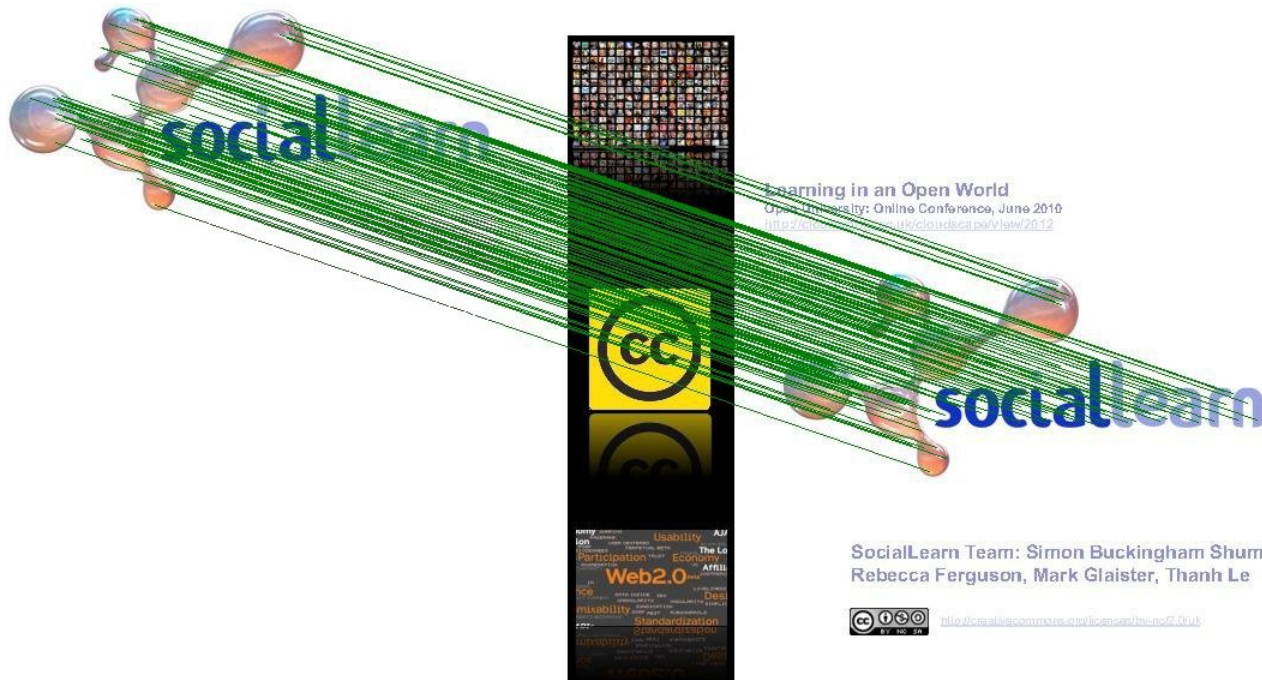
Query



Joiu Gddwd Bipoi Wueft
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Kppoyiy Lsld Bldfm ...



NDD: Check spatial constraints



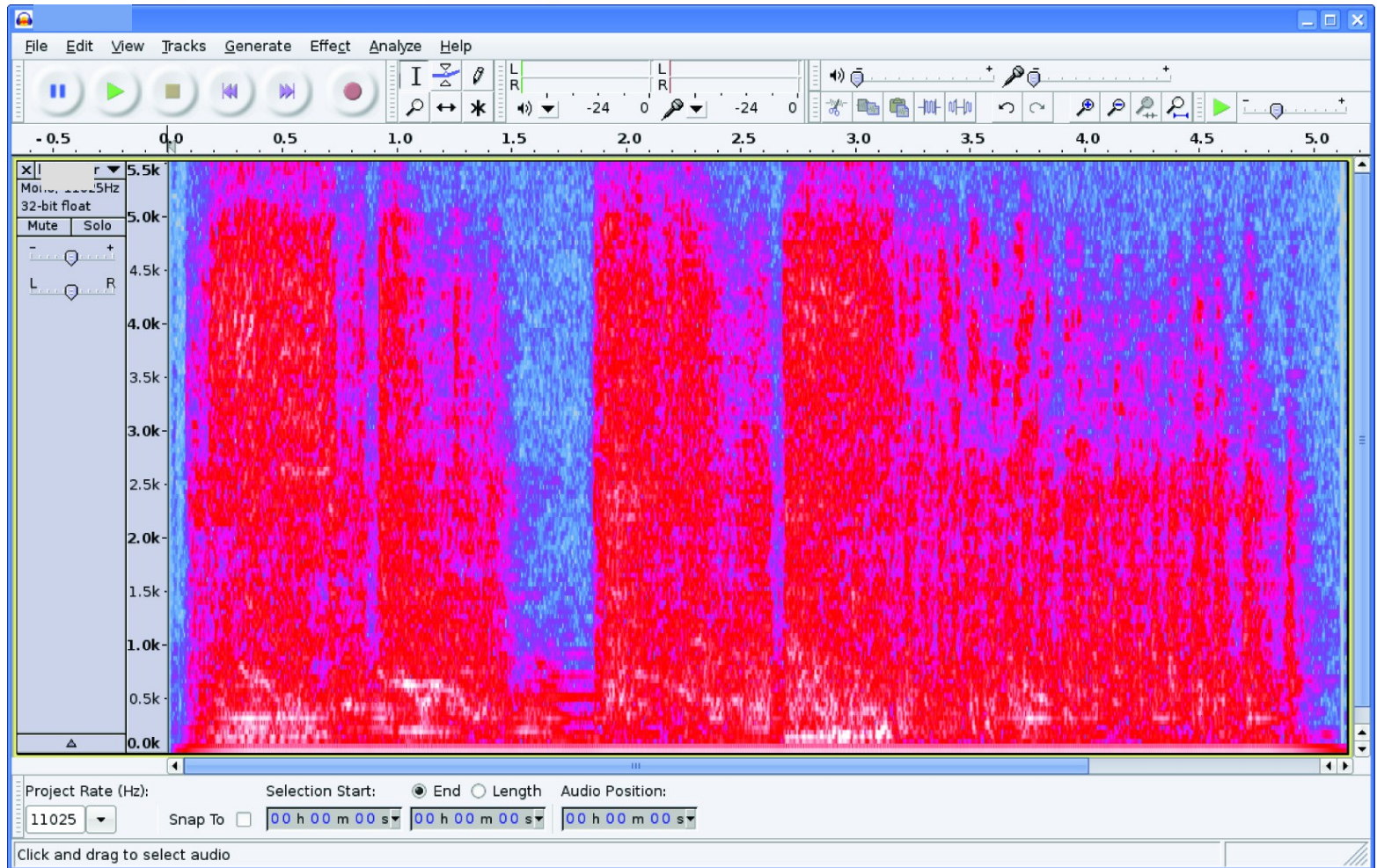


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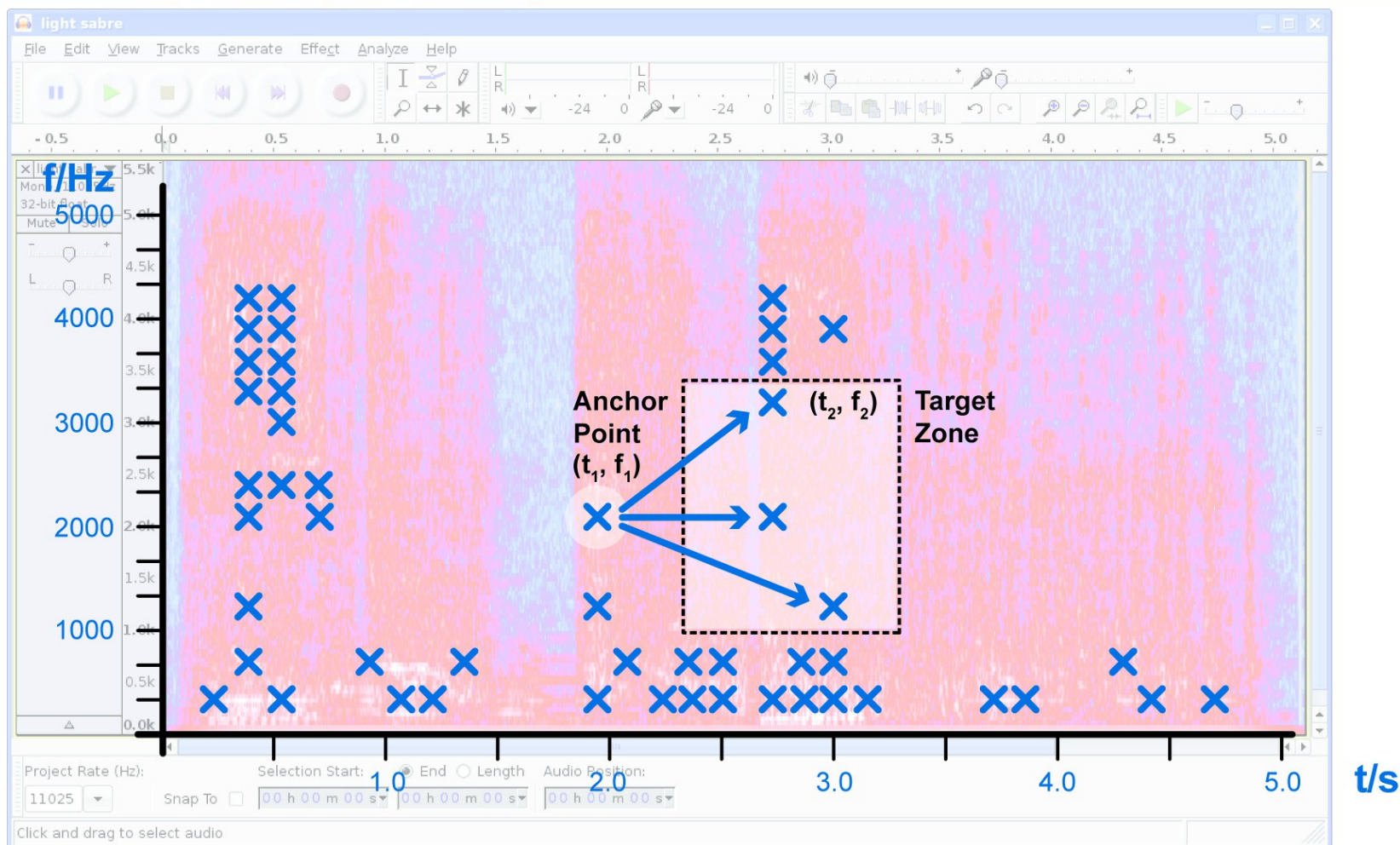


Audio fingerprinting





Salient points



Encoding: $(f_1, f_2, t_2 - t_1)$ hashes to (t_1, id)



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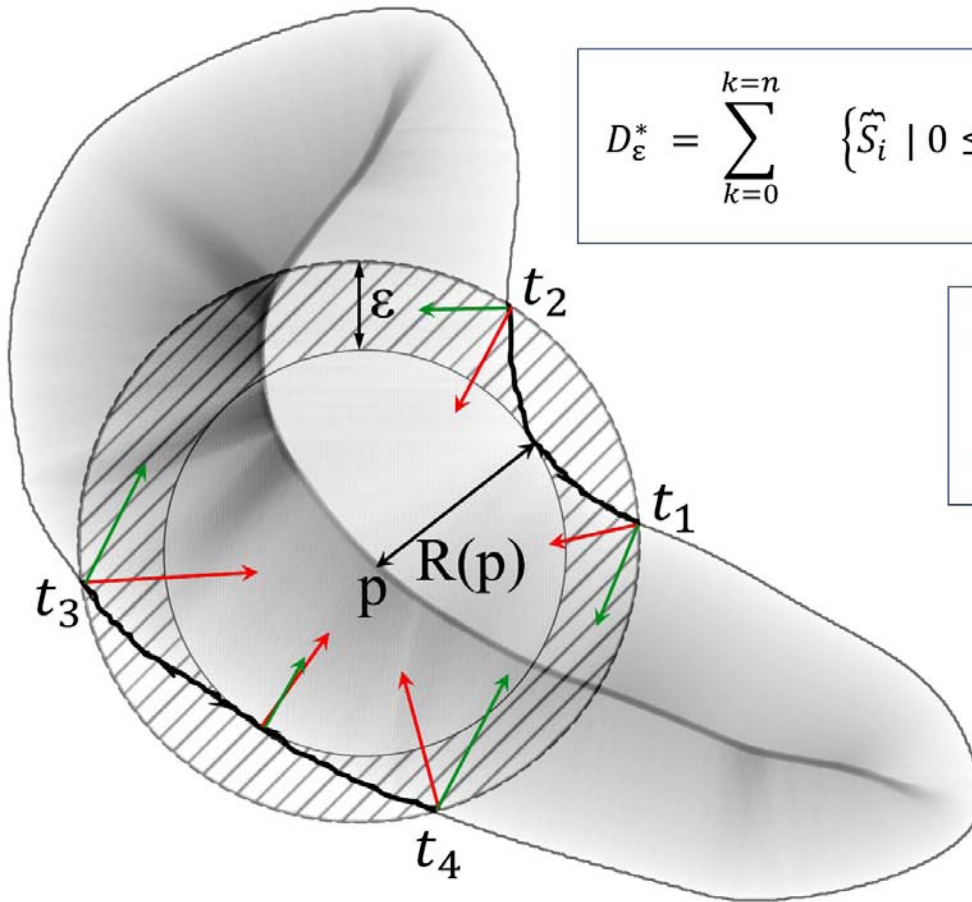
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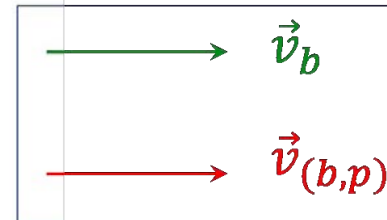
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Features are Key: Medialness



$$D_{\varepsilon}^* = \sum_{k=0}^{k=n} \left\{ \tilde{S}_i \mid 0 \leq \vec{v}_b \cdot \vec{v}_{(b,p)} \right\}, i = 2k + 1, n \geq 1$$



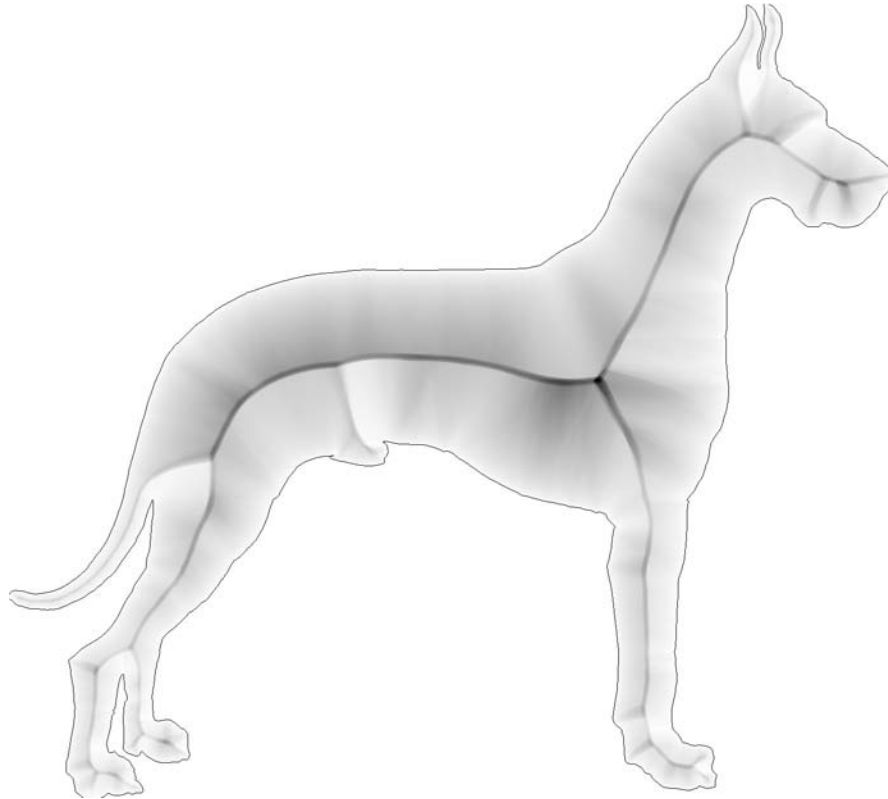


Medialness: Example



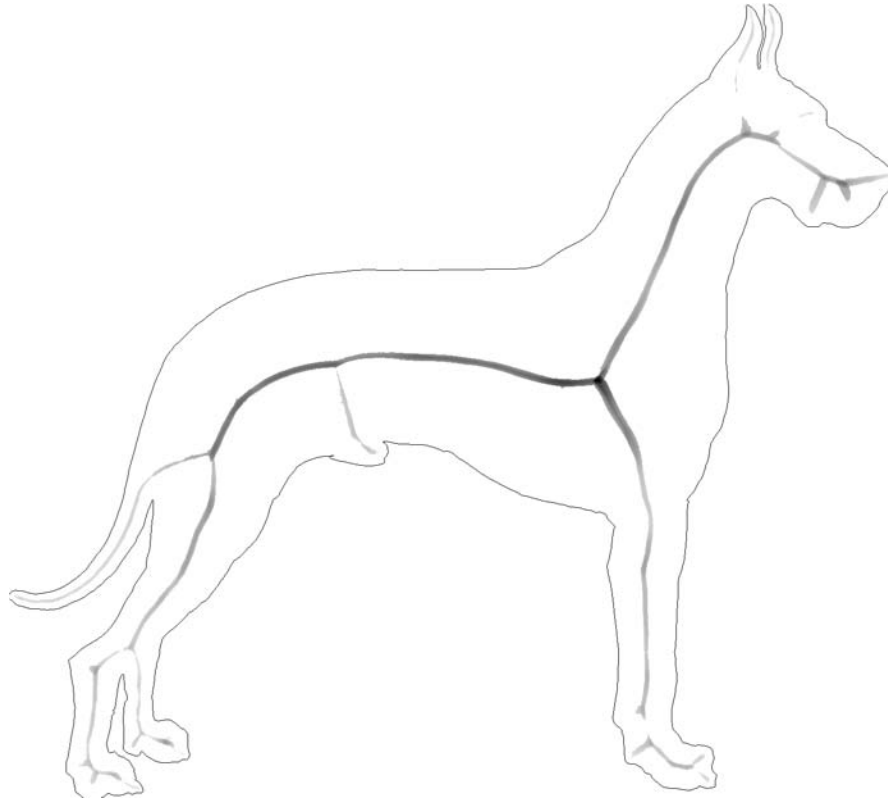


Medialness



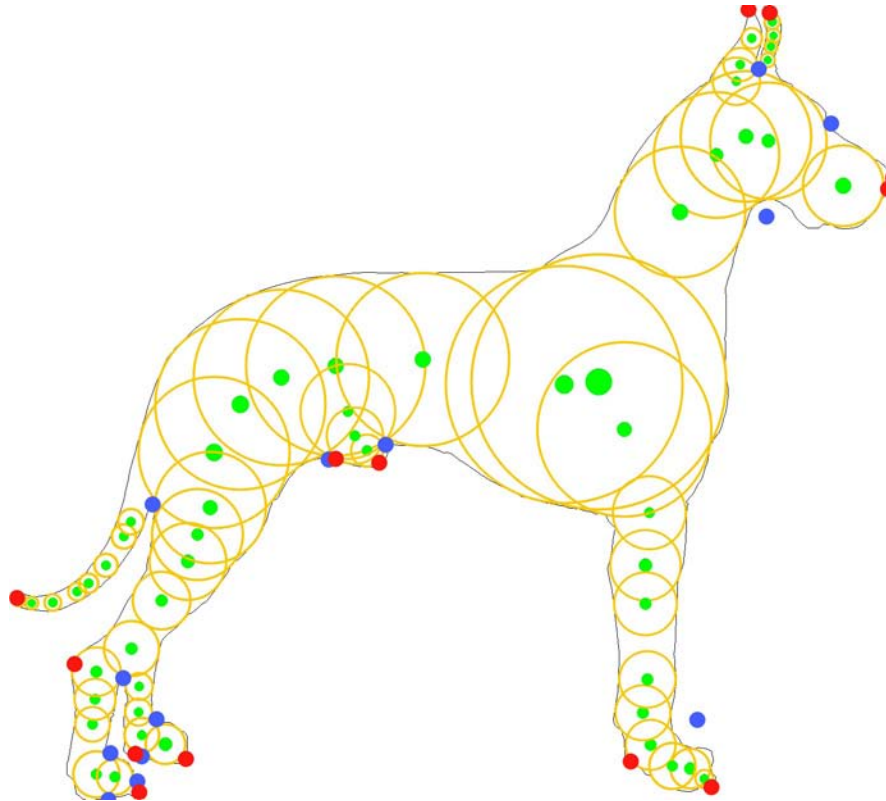


Medialness: top hat



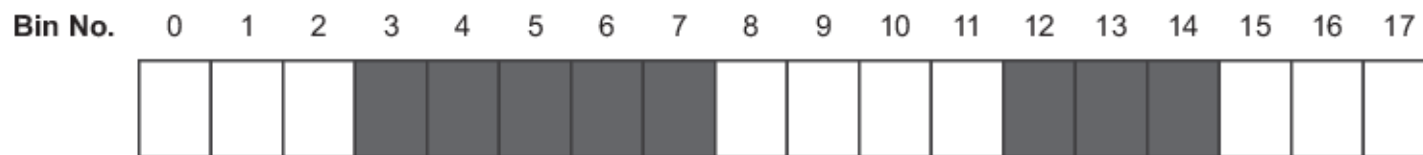
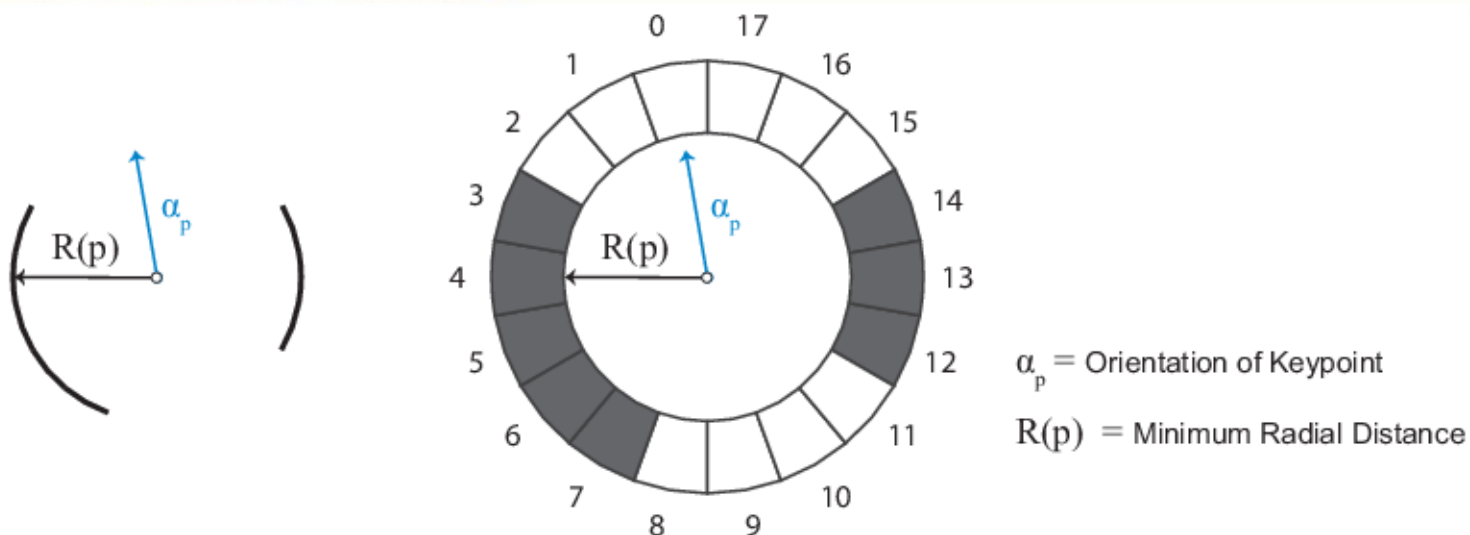


Medialness: dominant points





Shape Invariant Feature Vector: ShIFT

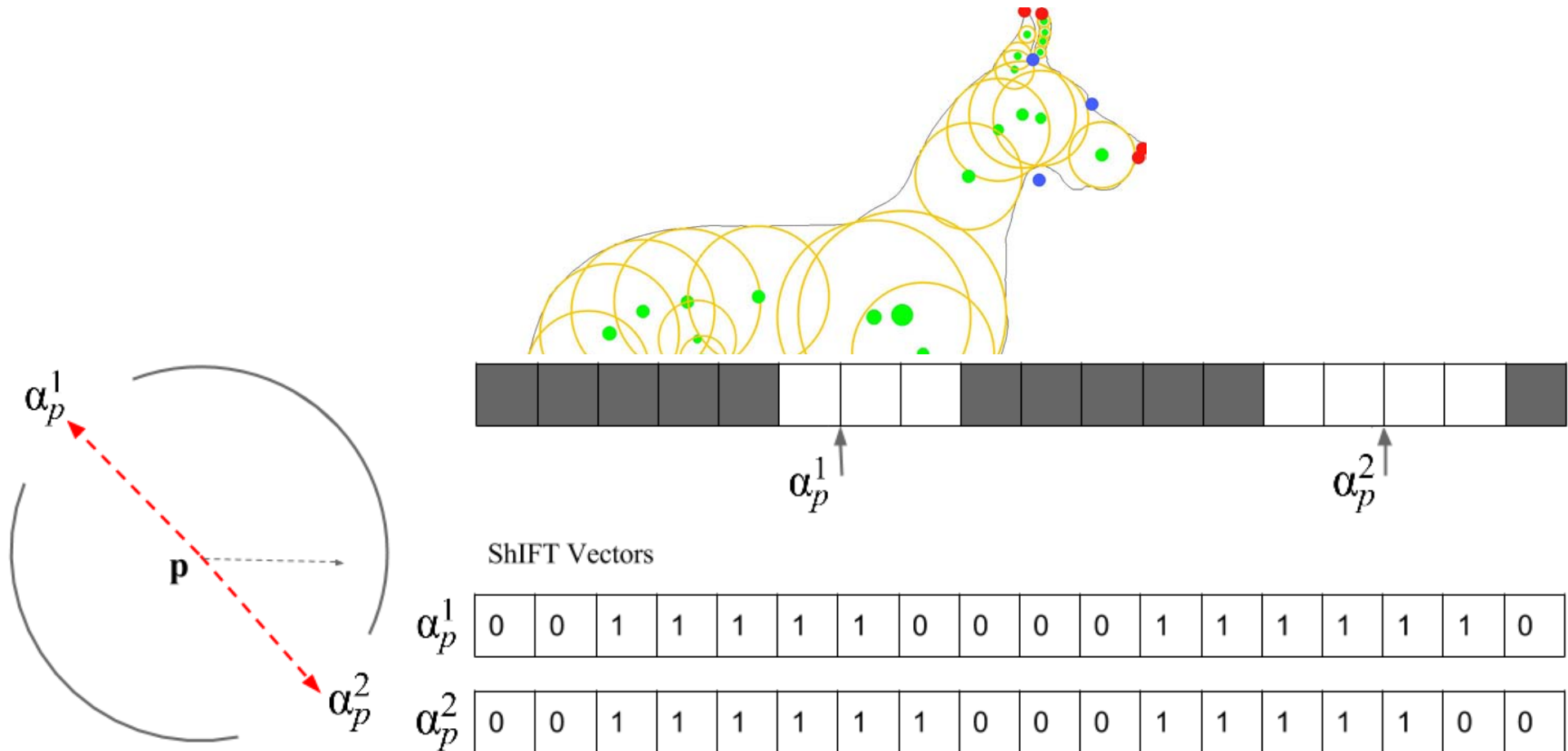


Binary Code 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0

Feature Vector <0,0,0,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,1,1,1,0,0,0>

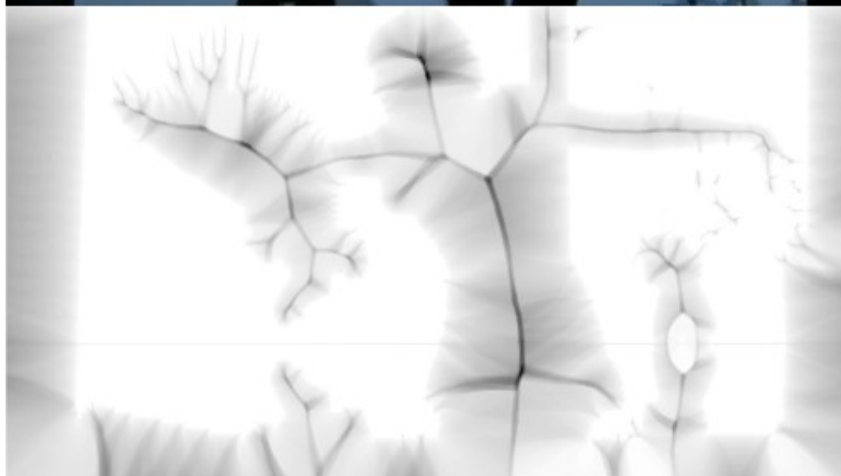
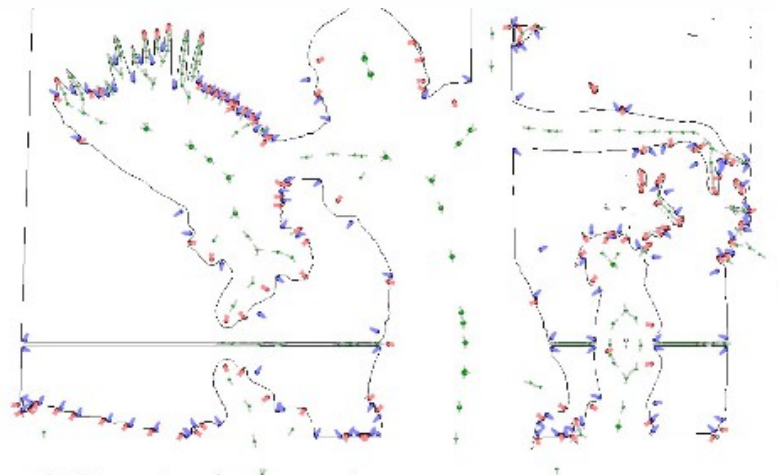


Shape Invariant Feature Vector: ShIFT





No more marker MoCap?





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Mean: 6.6/10, 180 scores



Mean: 2.3/10, 245 scores



Mean: 2.3/10, 279 scores



- Is it possible to extract image aesthetics automatically?
- How well can ML methods perform on this task?
- How can we evaluate the results?



Simplicity

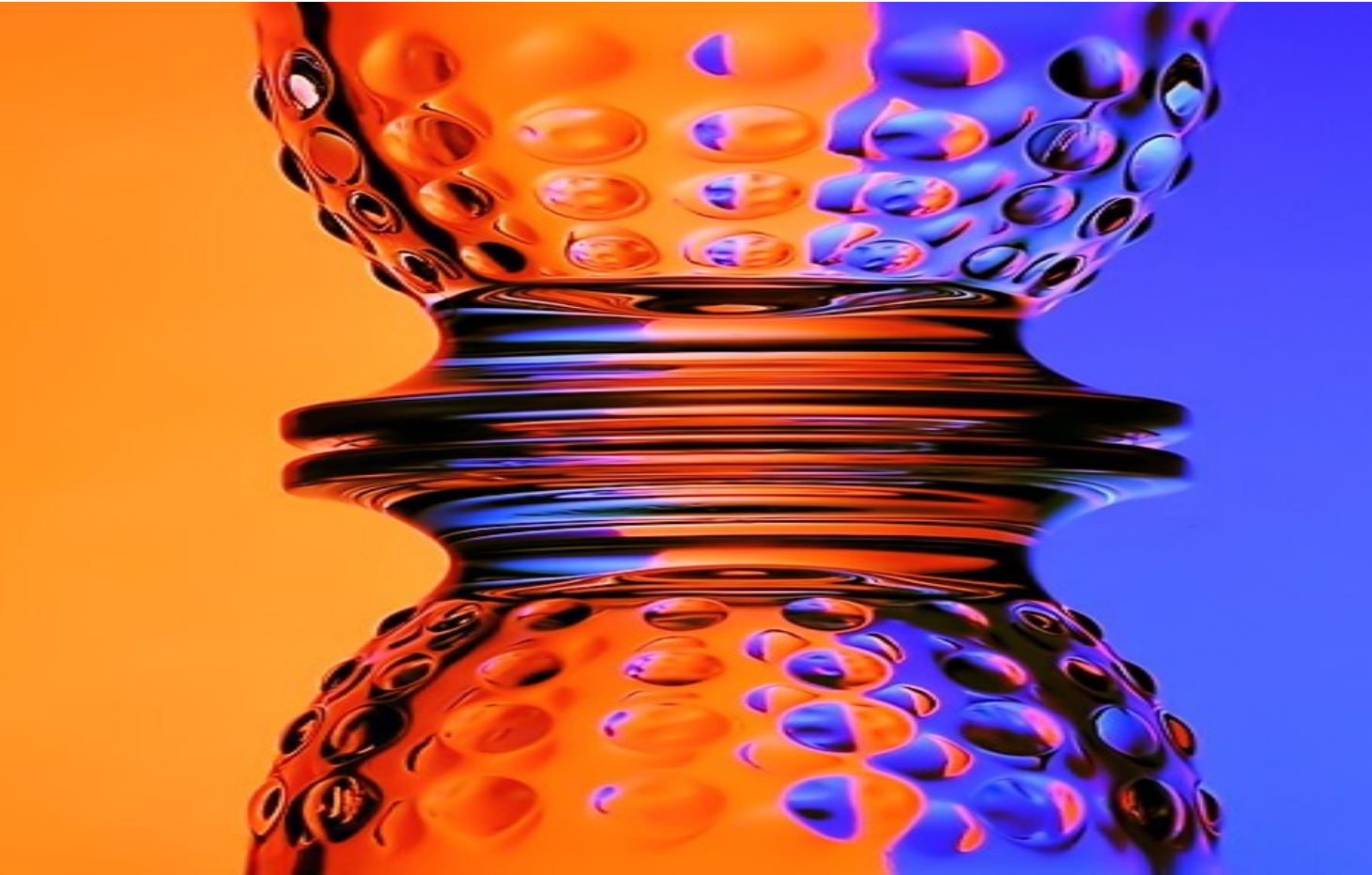


Mean: 5.8/10, 265 scores

[with Faria, S Bagley, T Breckon, WIAMIS 2013]



Complementary colours



Mean: 7.0/10, 304 scores

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Mean: 5.6/10, 227 scores



High contrast



Mean: 6.5/10, 145 scores

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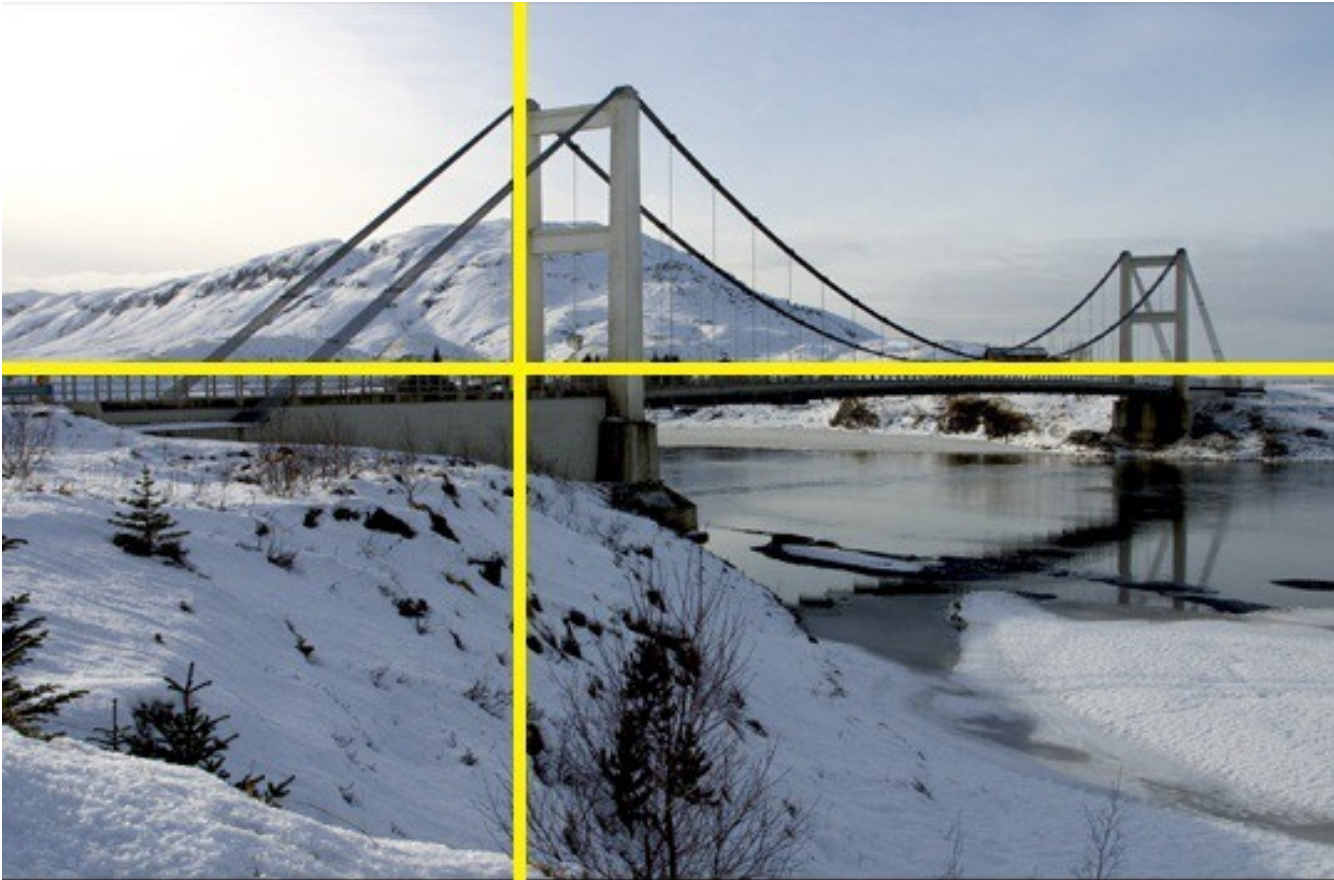
The rule of thirds



Mean: 6.6/10, 185 scores



Golden ratio



Mean: 6.5/10, 209 scores

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Diagonals



Mean: 5.5/10, 255 scores



Mean: 5.6/10, 230 scores



How good is this?



[from <http://www.gold.ac.uk/pg/msc-music-mind-brain/>]

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Global features

- Normalized area enclosing 75% energy in the Laplacian image
- Mean of the saliency map
- Standard deviation of the saliency map
- Hue count
- Simplicity measure: number of segments after mean shift algorithm
- Luminance histogram width
- Weber contrast
- Michelson contrast
- Average brightness
- Average saturation
- Colour harmony
- Blur measure
- Size ratio
- Compositional balance



- Standard deviation of hue, saturation and luminance in the subject area
- Average saturation in the subject area
- Simplicity: number of background colours
- Hue count in a background area
- Background contrast: Michelson, luminance RMS, hue RMS, saturation RMS
- Subject/background brightness
- Squared difference of the subject/background average values for brightness, hue, and saturation
- Subject/background Weber and Michelson contrast
- RMS of subject/background relation for luminance, hue, and saturation
- Rule of thirds measure
- Subject area measure
- Blur measure for background
- Blur relation between subject and background



Datasets

	Photo.net	DPChallenge	CUHKPQ	MIRFlickr	AVA
Images	3,581	16,509	17,613	1,000,000	255,000
Scores p. image	6	>100	6	6	>100
Num. of scores	☑	☑	6	☑	☑
Mean of scores	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
Distribution	6	☑	6	☑	☑
Scale	1 - 7	1 - 10	1 - 10	1 - 10	1 - 10

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Dataset in our experiments

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ML methods

- AdaBoost

weak decision tree classifier set of 110, weight trim rate 0.98
and maximum depth 3

- SVM

sigmoid kernel

- Random Forest

maximum depth value of 32
n_trees = 100



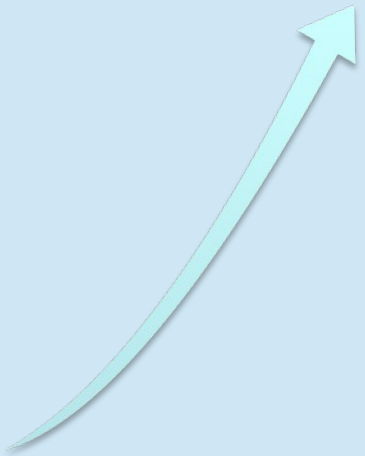
Features selected

- Normalized area enclosing 75% energy in the Laplacian image
- Hue count
- Average brightness
- Average saturation
- Colour harmony
- Standard deviation of hue in the subject area
- Hue count of the background
- RMS of subject/background relation for saturation
- Subject/background Weber contrast
- Subject/background Michelson contrast



Recall and precision on fixed values

	Recall when precision = 0.99	Precision when recall = 0.81
Ke et al.	<0.01	0.65
Luo et al.	0.16	0.86
Yeh et al.	0.16	0.79
Current project	0.81	0.99





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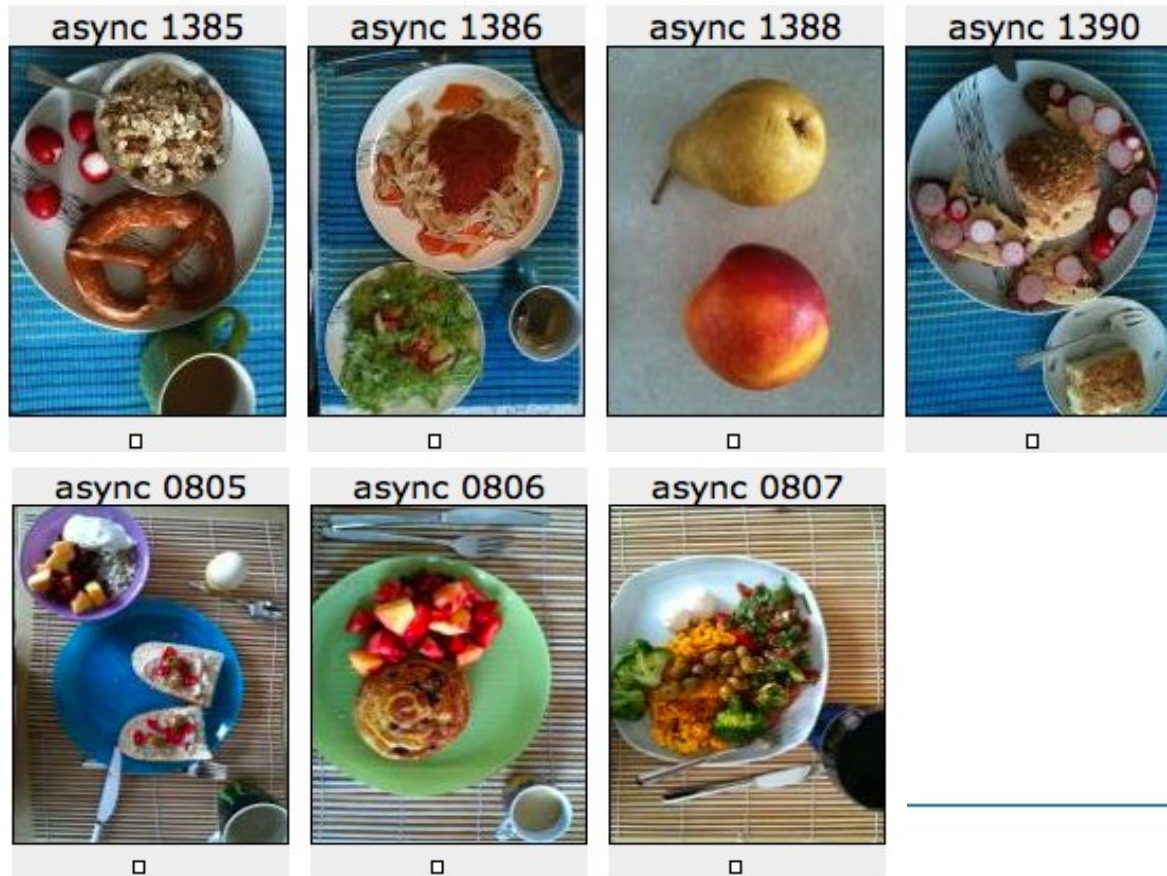
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ML Example 2: Automated food log

Can only eat what you have photo-logged





Automated food log



BROWNIE



EGG&BEANS



PANCAKES



PIZZA



POPCORN



SANDWICH



SPAGHETTI

FIGURE 3.3: The 7 classes dish database - in-house.



Automated food log

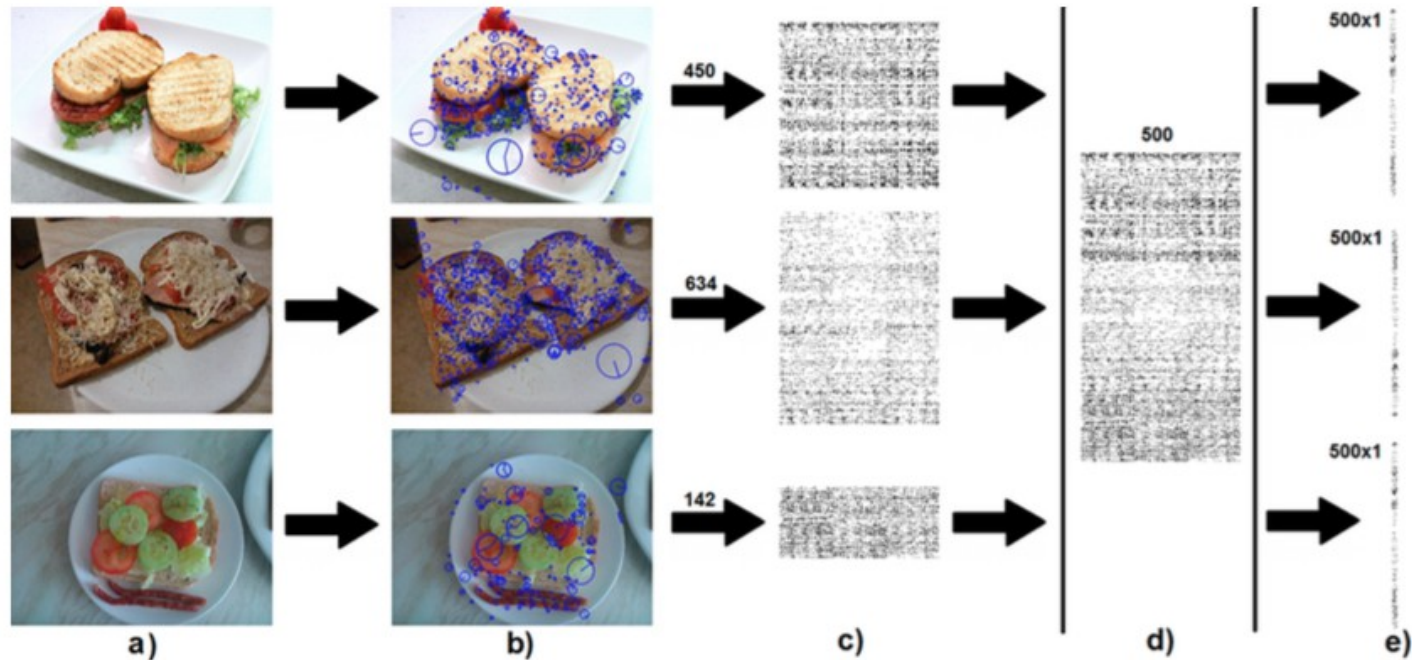


FIGURE 6.7: The example of constructing the bag of features in accordance to the dictionary.



Automated food log

	pizza	popcorn	egg&beans	spaghetti	sandwich	brownie	pancakes
pizza	9	0	0	0	0	0	1
popcorn	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
egg&beans	2	0	7	1	0	1	0
spaghetti	1	0	0	10	0	0	0
sandwich	2	0	1	2	10	1	0
brownie	0	0	0	0	0	9	0
pancakes	0	0	0	0	0	0	8

TABLE 8.2: The confusion matrix for in-house dataset. Descriptor: Color SIFT without segmentation.



Automated food log

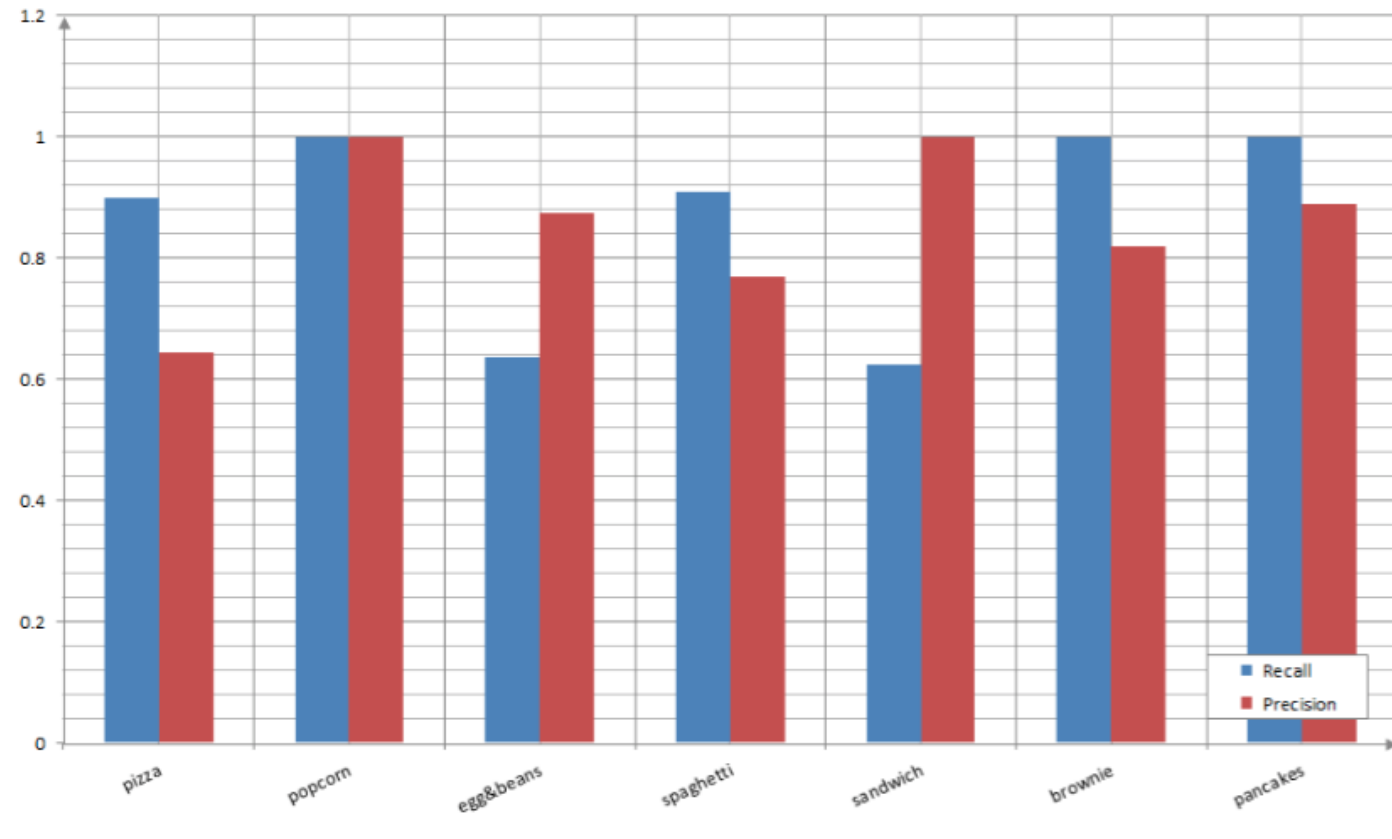


FIGURE 8.8: The graph illustrating the Recall and Precision ratio for results presented in 8.2.

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	acerolas	apples	apricots	avocados	bananas	blackberries	blueberries	cantaloupes	cherries	coconuts	figs	grapefruits	grapes	guava	kiwifruit	lemons	limes	mangos	olives	oranges	passionfruit	peaches	pears	pineapples	plums	pomegranates	raspberries	strawberries	tomatoes	watermelons
acerolas	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
apples	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
apricots	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
avocados	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
bananas	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
blackberries	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
blueberries	0	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cantaloupes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cherries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
coconuts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
figs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
grapefruits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
grapes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
guava	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
kiwifruit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lemons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
limes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
mangos	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
olives	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0
oranges	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
passionfruit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
peaches	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
pears	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
pineapples	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
plums	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
pomegranates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	1	0
raspberries	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
strawberries	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
tomatoes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
watermelons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5

TABLE 8.4: The confusion matrix for FIDS30 dataset. Descriptor: Color SIFT without segmentation.

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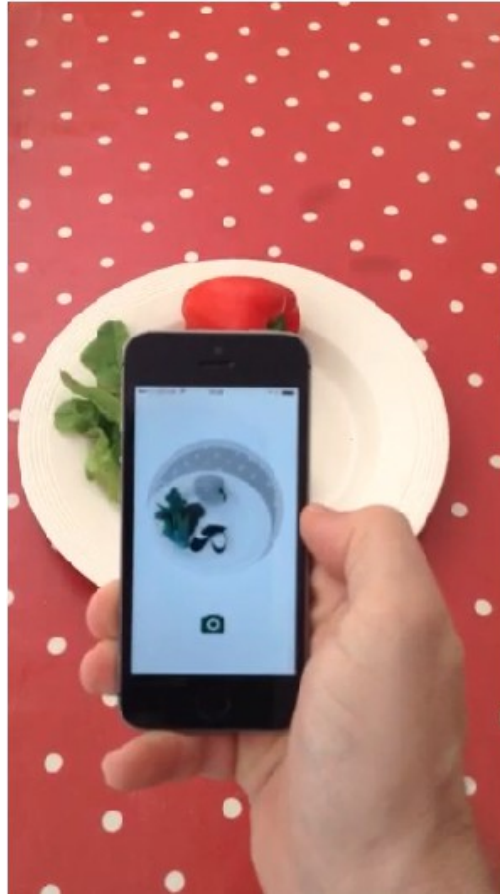
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FIGURE 8.14: The samples of the dataset taken from different class which can be confusing for the classifier.



Application



[with mc schraefel and Alex Rogers, Southampton]



Application

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13:06



18%



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Visual language?

Abstract concepts (victory, triumph, religion)
Complex concepts (barbecue, car)
Simple material (grass, tarmac, sky)
Part-based models



Visual language?


Salient keypoints / visterms




Crystal ball question

What can computers learn from watching 20,000 hours TV news?



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Summary : *uk Kid snappers release pictures of British and American hostages kidnapped in Iraq.* The Arabic television station Al-Jazeera has shown images of ten hostages, it is reported they will be killed if their company doesn't leave Iraq within three days. Opposition parties accused the Prime Minister of misleading the public after leaked documents suggested he was warned two years ago of the potential for pOgs war problems in Iraq. In a memo seen by the Daily Telegraph the Foreign Secretary, Jack Straw, said there was no clear post-conflict plan. They didn't put in place a pronner plan. It is game set and match with no sense of pleasure to Despite the continuing security problems across Iraq, the Prime Minister says the US-led coalition was prepared for life after Saddam. Indeed, we have unfolded tht plan, but there are people in Iraq, outsiders, as well as former regime elements who are determinedto to stop us.



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