

# Visual Intelligence Platform

Deep Video Analytics + Visual Data Network

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# An overview of computer vision research by Tomasz Malisiewicz

<http://www.computervisionblog.com/2015/01/from-feature-descriptors-to-deep.html>

# Quick summary

Sift, Graph Cuts



HOG, DPM



Deep Learning



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Caltech 101, Matlab, OpenCV



VOC, Imagenet, Caffe, Theano



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# Numerous high quality libraries & datasets

- OpenCV
- ROS
- Caffe (model zoo!)
- Theano
- Torch
- Tensor Flow
- CNTK
- MXNET
- Pytorch
- Caltech 101
- Imagenet
- COCO
- Too many to keep track!
  - Open Images
  - [Soundnet](#)
  - [Mapnet](#)
  - [CMU Video patch dataset](#)

# State of the art pre trained models

- Imagenet classification
  - Inception
  - Resnet
  - VGG
- Detection models
  - R-CNN
  - YOLO
  - SSD
- Face detection / recognition
  - Face-MTCNN
  - Facenet
- Semantic Segmentation models
  - Multipathnet
  - FCN
- Audio embedding models
  - Soundnet

# A deluge of datasets!

- VideoNet
- Yahoo Flickr Creative Commons 100M
- ViCom
- Visual Genome
- YouTube-BoundingBoxes
- Youtube 8M
- imSitu by AllenAI
- Charades by Allen AI
- Udacity car dataset
- KITTI
- Caltech, INRIA, ETH Pedestrians
- Stanford Drone Dataset
- COCO text

We are reaching a stage where

Number of datasets  $\cong$  Number of research groups

With each dataset having its own JSON or XML format, incompatible with all others.

What is hidden in plain sight?



We need a platform which seamlessly  
combines

Data + Models + User Interface

# A Relational Model of Data for Large Shared Data Banks. By Edgar F. Codd

Can we develop an equivalent of relational model / databases for visual data?

Visual Data

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{ Images, Videos, Annotations, Features }

Relational data : Postgres, MYSQL, SQLite

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Text, HTML : Lucene/Solr, Elasticsearch

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Videos & Images : \_\_\_\_\_

# Previous attempts: LIRE project

- LIRE: Lucene Image Retrieval
  - <http://www.lire-project.net/>
- Developed pre Deep Learning
- Functionality limited to computing & storing feature vectors such as Color Layout, Edge Histogram, etc.

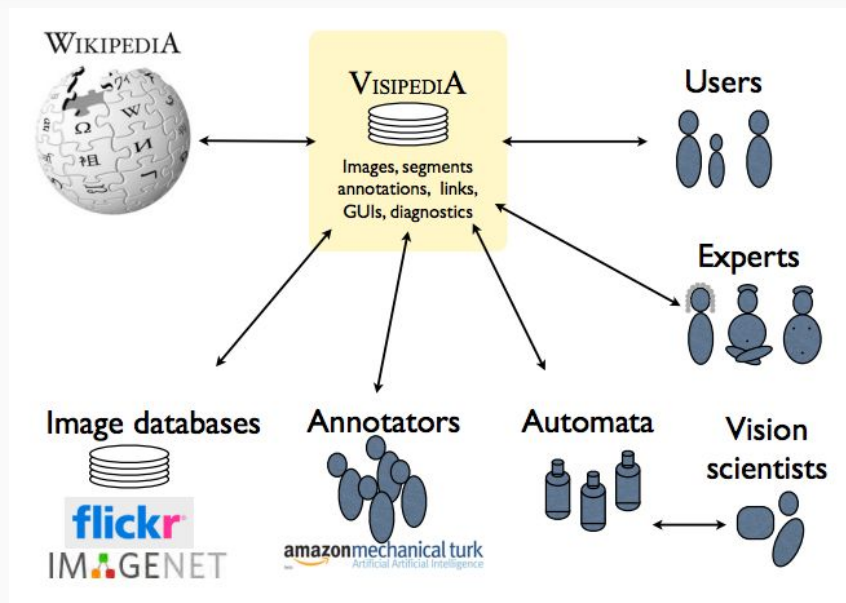
# Previous attempts: CloudCV

- Large Scale Distributed Computer Vision as a Cloud Service
- Support for OpenCV, Graphlab, Cafe
- Image Classification, VQA, stitching, etc
- Does not retain state. E.g. you cannot store images.

# Previous attempts: NVidia DIGITS

- "DIGITS (the Deep Learning GPU Training System) is a webapp for training deep learning models. "
- Load/create datasets, train models, deploy models.
- Aimed at researchers
- Written in Python/Flask with Torch & Caffe supported

# Previous attempts: Visipedia



*Taken from Vision of a Visipedia, Perona et. al.*



# Previous attempts: Visipedia

- Collaborative creation of visual data
- Pre-defined set of concepts E.g. Birds, Trees
- Different type of participants
  - Experts, Annotators, Citizen Scientists, Users, Computer scientists
- Retains state

# Previous attempts: VMX.ai

- Underfunded Kickstarter project Circa Jan 2014
- by Tomasz Malisiewicz
- Pre Tensor Flow, Pre Deep Learning
- Allow developers to create real time detectors
- Support for training model

# Quick recap

- LIRE: limited functionality (Lucene add-on)
- CloudCV: Provides a service, cannot retain “state”
- NVidia Digits: Intended for training not inference
- Visipedia: Intended to be a monolithic deployment

# Ongoing attempts

- Scanner by CMU + Stanford
  - <https://github.com/scanner-research/scanner>
- Kitware Image and Video Exploitation and Retrieval
  - <https://github.com/Kitware/kwiver>
- VISE project by Oxford VGG group
  - <https://gitlab.com/vgg/vise>

# Why now?

- High quality libraries and pre-trained models
  - TensorFlow
  - Inception, SSD, Facenet
  - Flickr LOPQ, Facebook FAISS
- Cheap GPUs (local & cloud)
- Docker enables deployment of complex applications

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Videos & Images : ***Deep Video Analytics***

People : Facebook, MySpace

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Code : Git / GitHub, GitLab

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Visual Data: ***Visual Data Network***



Relational data : SQL

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Text, HTML : inverted word index, Page Rank

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Videos & Images : ***Approximate Nearest Neighbor***

Provides images & videos,  
along with metadata,  
annotations

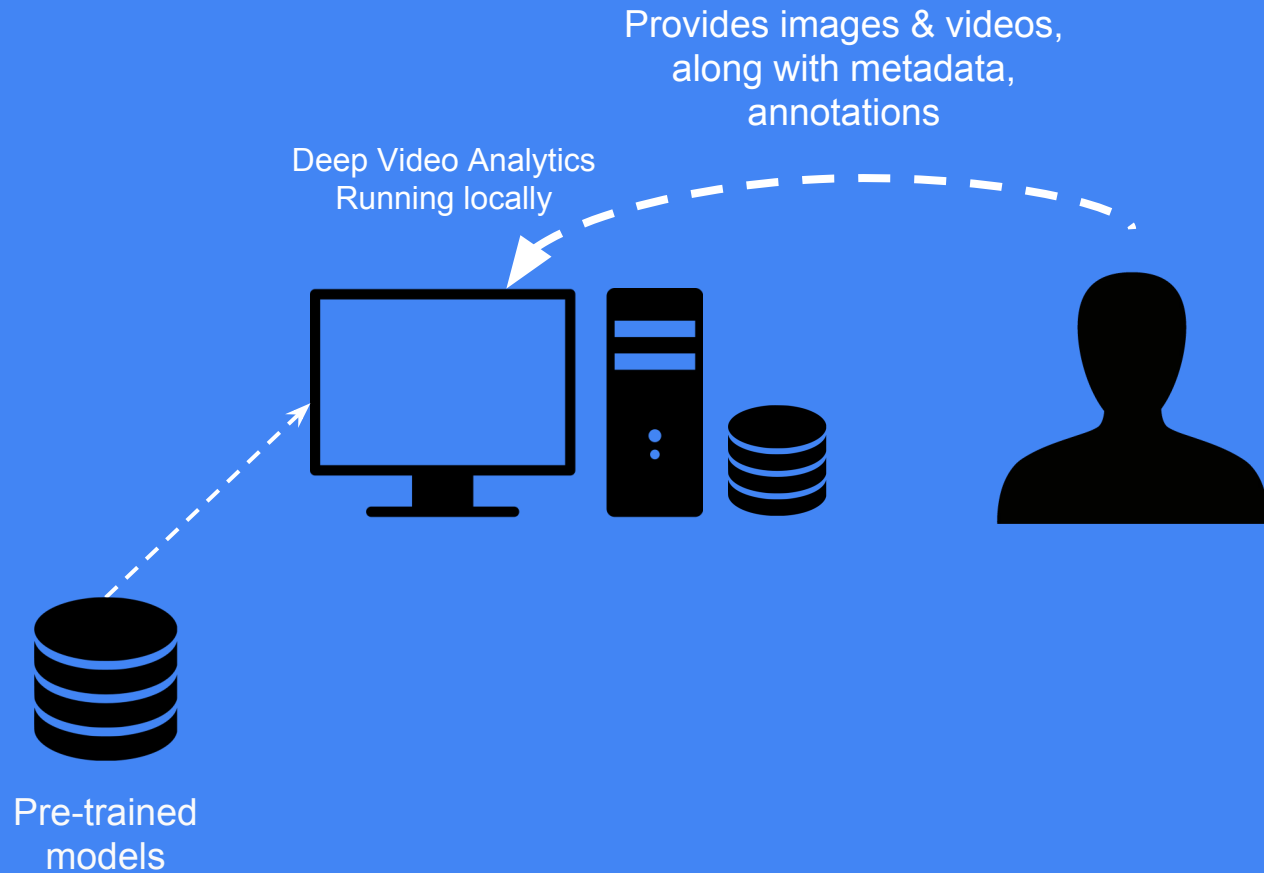
Deep Video Analytics  
Running locally

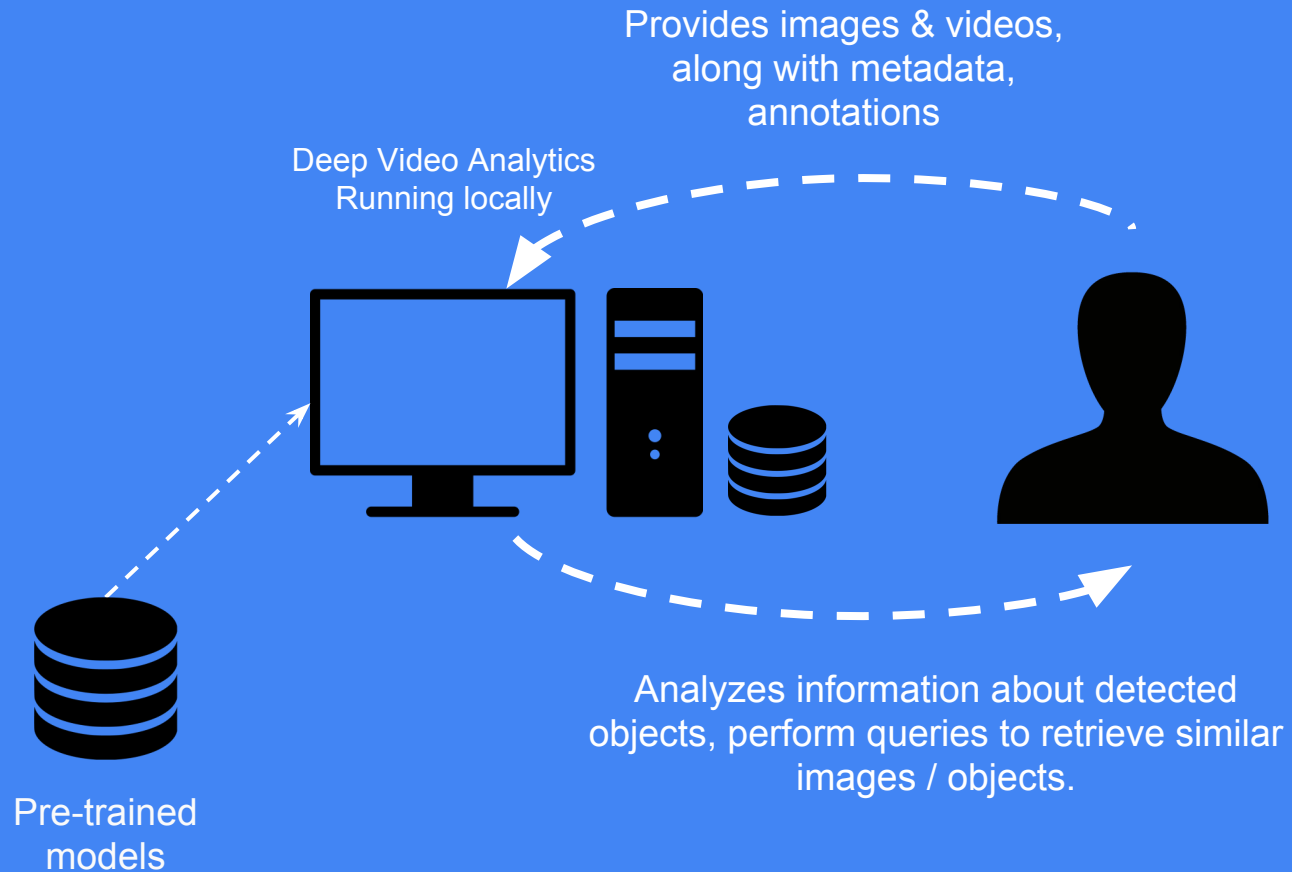


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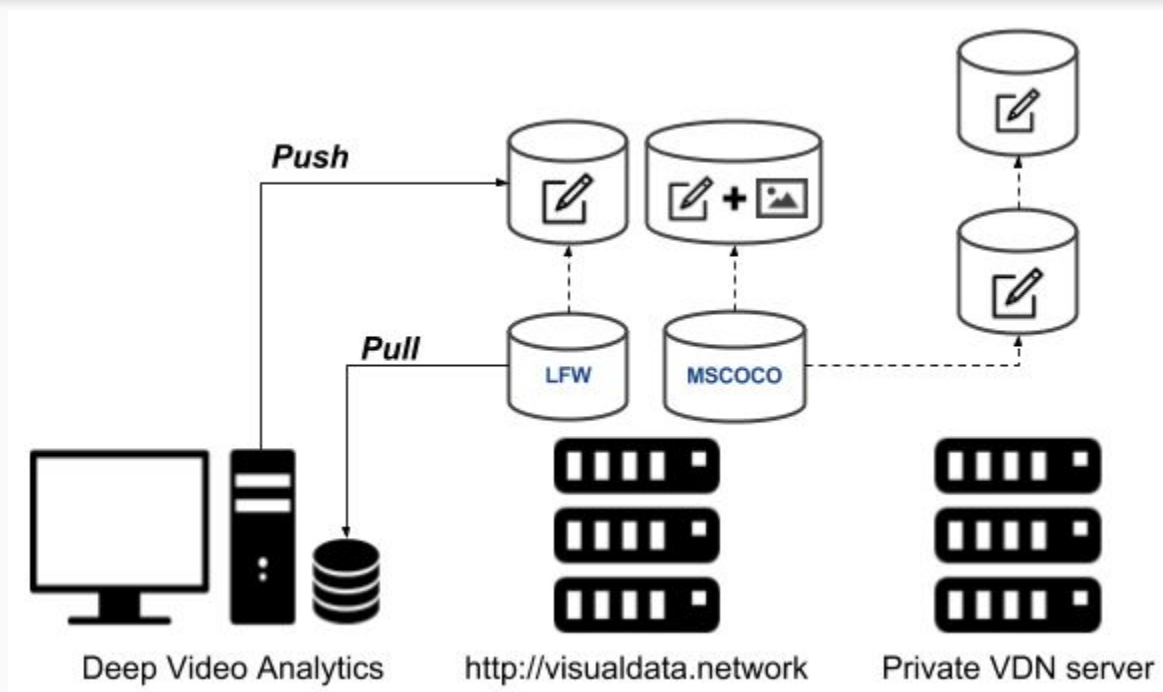




Deep Video Analytics enables rapid data creation

# Visual Data Network allows seamless sharing

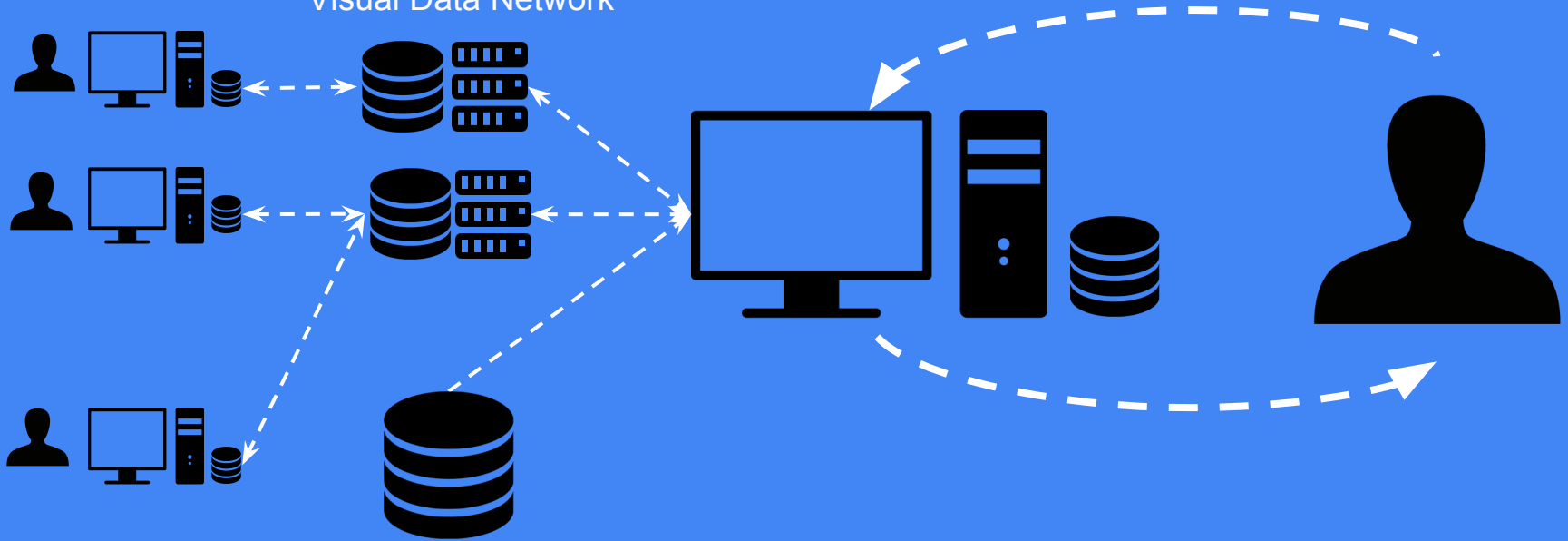
Push, Pull video / dataset, Annotations, just like you would with GitHub



# Sharing data using Visual Data Network

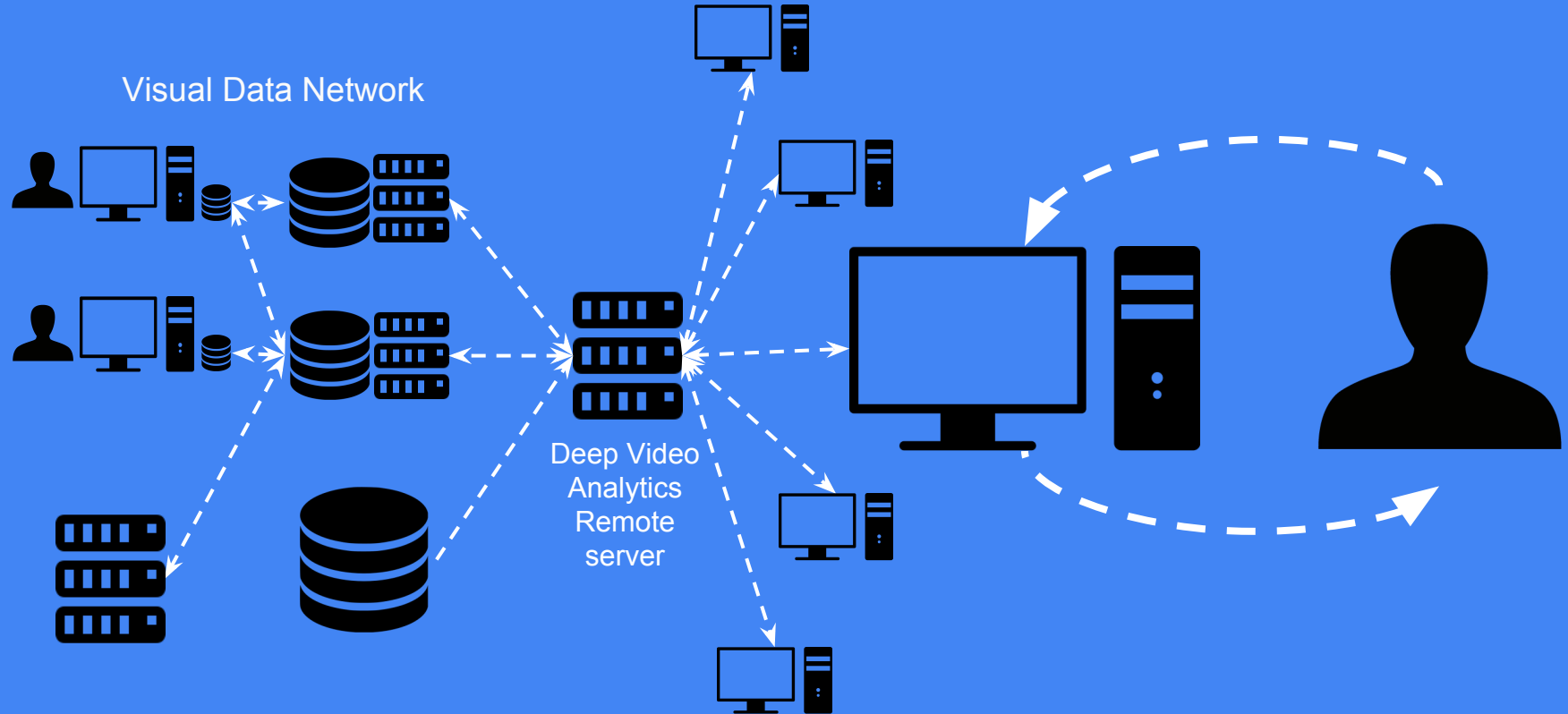
Import & export new datasets / annotations  
share with other users

Visual Data Network





# Flexible deployment: local & remote server



# Deep Video Analytics

## Design goals

- Usable by non-researchers
- Visual Search as a “Primary User Interface”
- Users can provide data easily (via upload, youtube-dl, annotation UI etc.)
- Batteries-included approach with an indexing and detection pipeline
  - Tensor Flow Inception v3, VGG-16, Single Shot Detector trained on COCO
  - Face detection / alignment / recognition
  - Deep OCR using CRNN & CTPN. Train new detectors using YOLO+Keras.
- Pre-indexed datasets from different domains can be quickly loaded
- Can be easily customized by developers & researchers.

# Deep Video Analytics

## Technical goals

- Useful without having to write code or config
- Works on machines with and without GPUs
  - Works (albeit slowly) without a GPU, tested on Linode VPS with 8Gb RAM & 4 Cores
- Handles uploads and continuous index updates
- Data can be easily imported, exported and shared
- Can be easily modified by technical users
  - E.g. Adding more operations to processing pipeline
- Can be scaled out by adding more GPUs / Machines

# Deep Video Analytics

## Frameworks & technologies used

- Django, Postgres, Celery, RabbitMQ, Docker
- Tensorflow (primary), Torch & Caffe



What are the core primitives for  
Visual Data Analytics?

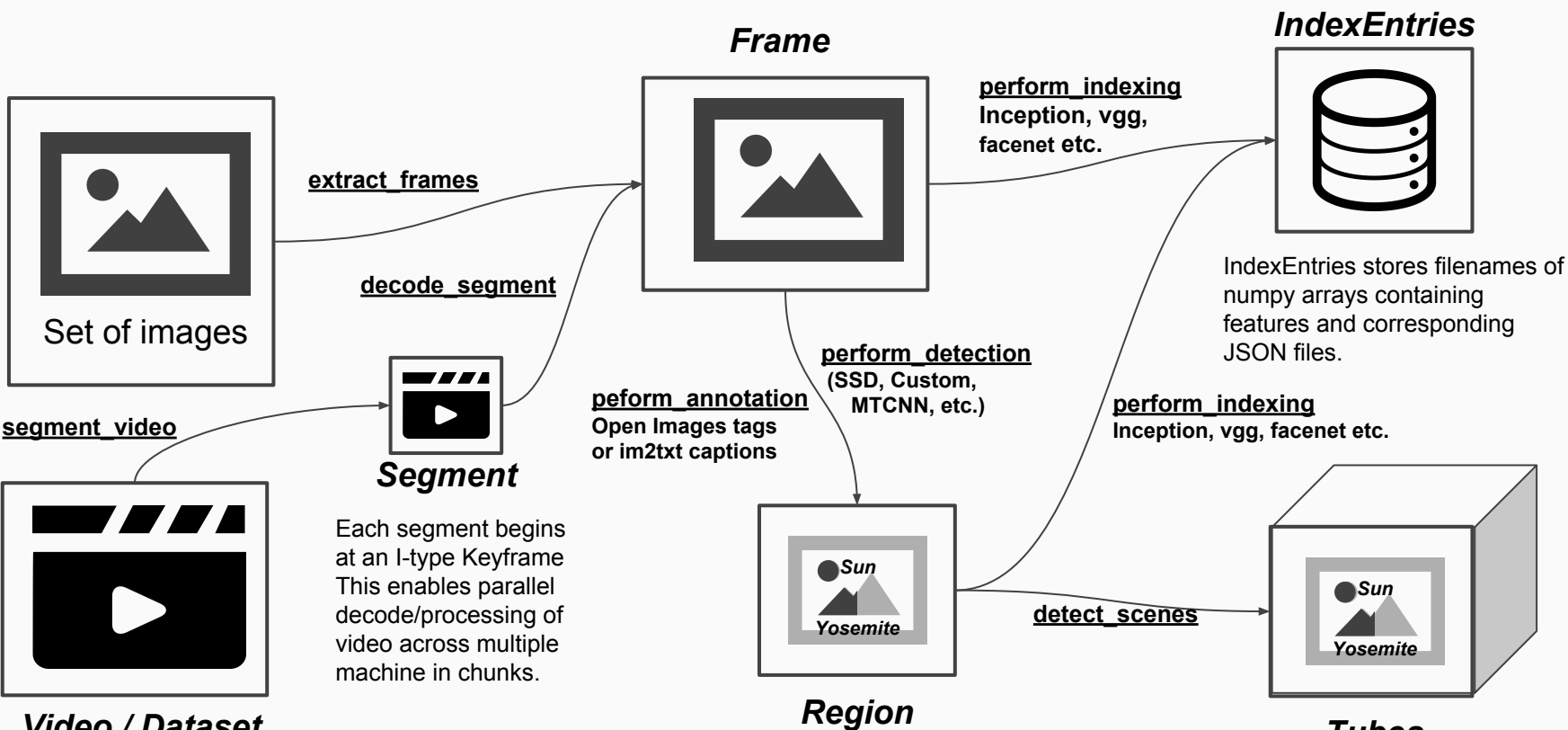
# Few primitives for visual data analysis

## Data

- Video / Segment
- Dataset
- Frame / Image
- Regions over an image
- Tubes over sequence of images
- Feature vectors
- Audio

## Processing

- Segmentation + Decode
- Indexing
  - Compute features for a region / image
- Detection
  - Detect objects in an image
- Annotation / Analysis
  - Generate a label/metadata given a video, image, region, scene or a tube.
- Transformation
  - Generate another image/region or tube.

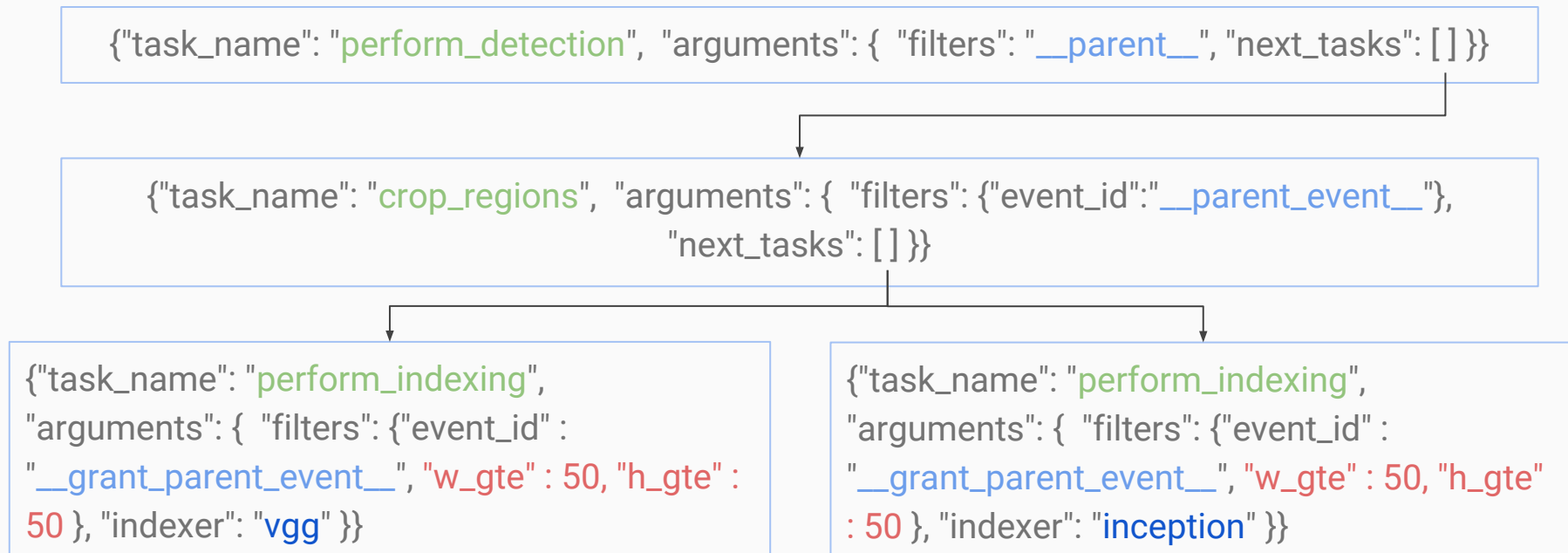


Async tasks are underlined



Each box is a data model

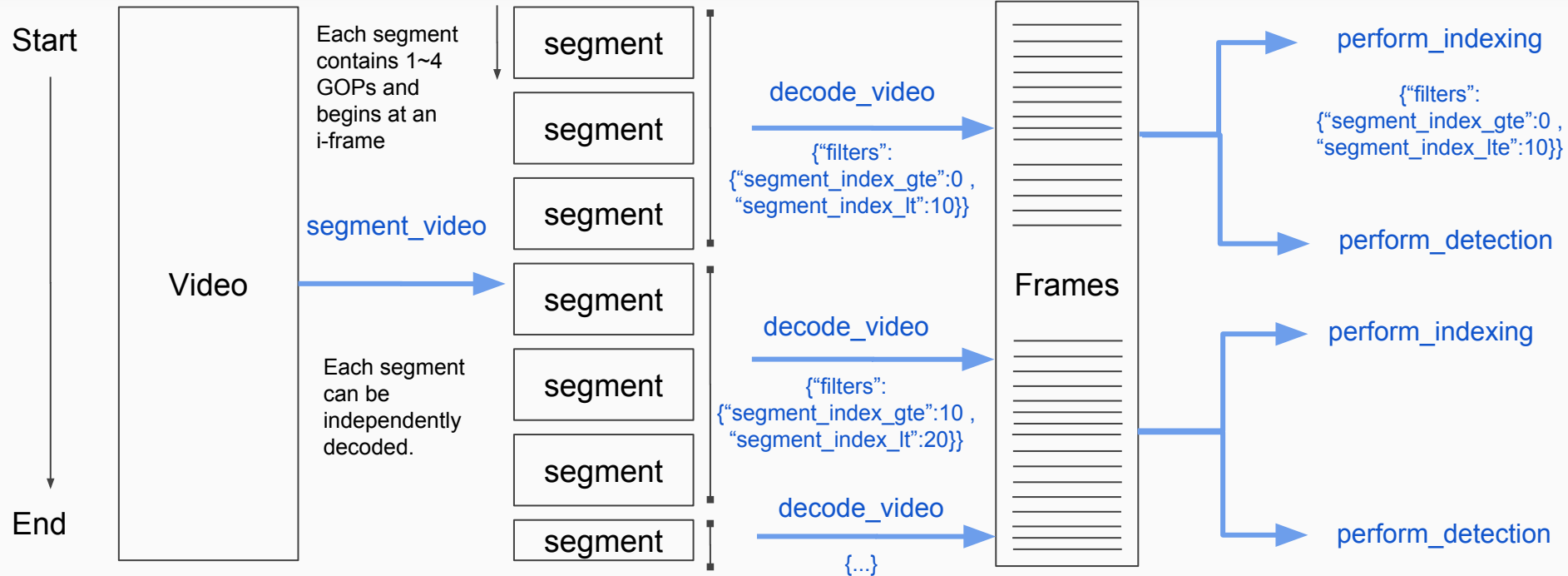
# A task based flexible processing model



All above tasks run on a specific video / dataset which is not shown for brevity.



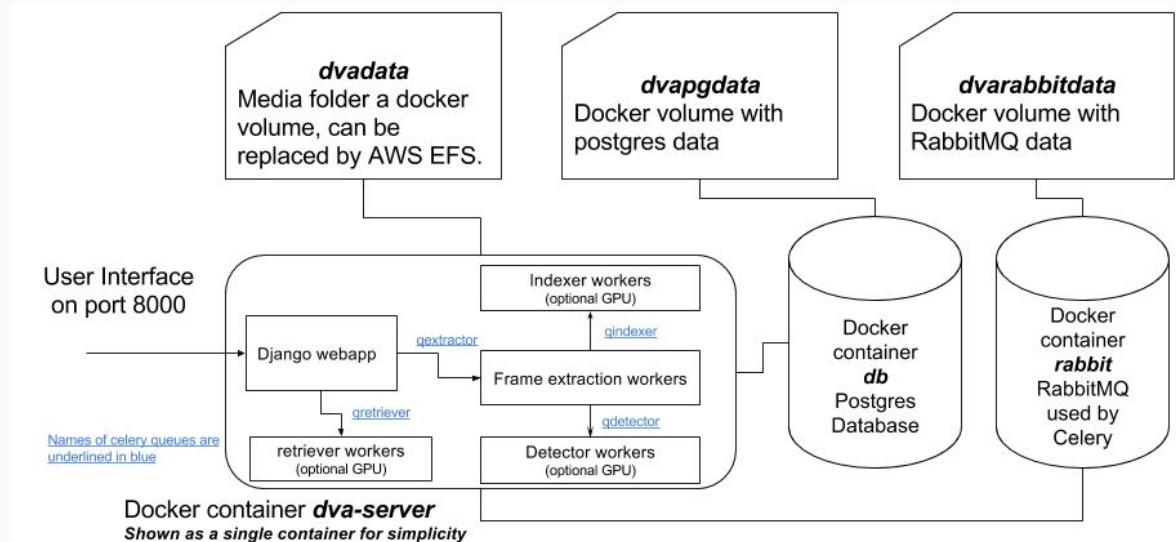
# Parallelized video processing using a segment + decode pipeline



# Emulating datacenter on a machine

## *Docker, Docker-compose, Nvidia-docker*

Docker enables same codebase across all configurations {a laptop, multi-GPU machine, datacenter} .



# Deep Video Analytics

## Code organization: dvaapp & dvalib

### **dvaapp:** a django app/project

- Handles UI and data processing
- Data model & Filesystem handling
  - Video, Frame, Detection
  - Query, QueryResult
  - Event, etc.
- Data processing framework using Celery
  - Extract frames / process video
  - Perform indexing
  - Perform detection
- Uses dvalib to carry out tasks

### **dvalib:** library for handling algorithms

- A database & celery agnostic library
- Interface with Tensor Flow & Pytorch for
  - extraction
  - detection
  - indexing

# User Interface:

## Search across frames + detections (faces, etc.)

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Exact Search Completed

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Add Image

Reset Zoom

Clear editor

Clear masks

Exclude



Selected indexes: Inception Facenet

Result count: 20 Send entire image (ignore zoom/pan)

Approximate Search Exact Search

Upload a video or multiple images in a single zip file (example of zip file with jpg images) or an exported ("dva\_export.zip") file.

Files: Choose file No file chosen

Upload

Submit youtube video url. We use youtube v.l.

submit

Data	Count	View
Videos / Datasets	1	view
Frames	8330	
Detections	4614	
Annotations	0	
Queries	1	view
Index entries	0	view
External datasets	0	view

Inception results: View results from past 1 queries

1 : detection  
In video at 588 found by Inception

2 : frame  
In video at 588 found by Inception

3 : detection  
In video at 8623 found by Inception

4 : frame  
In video at 7129 found by Inception

Facenet results: View results from past 1 queries

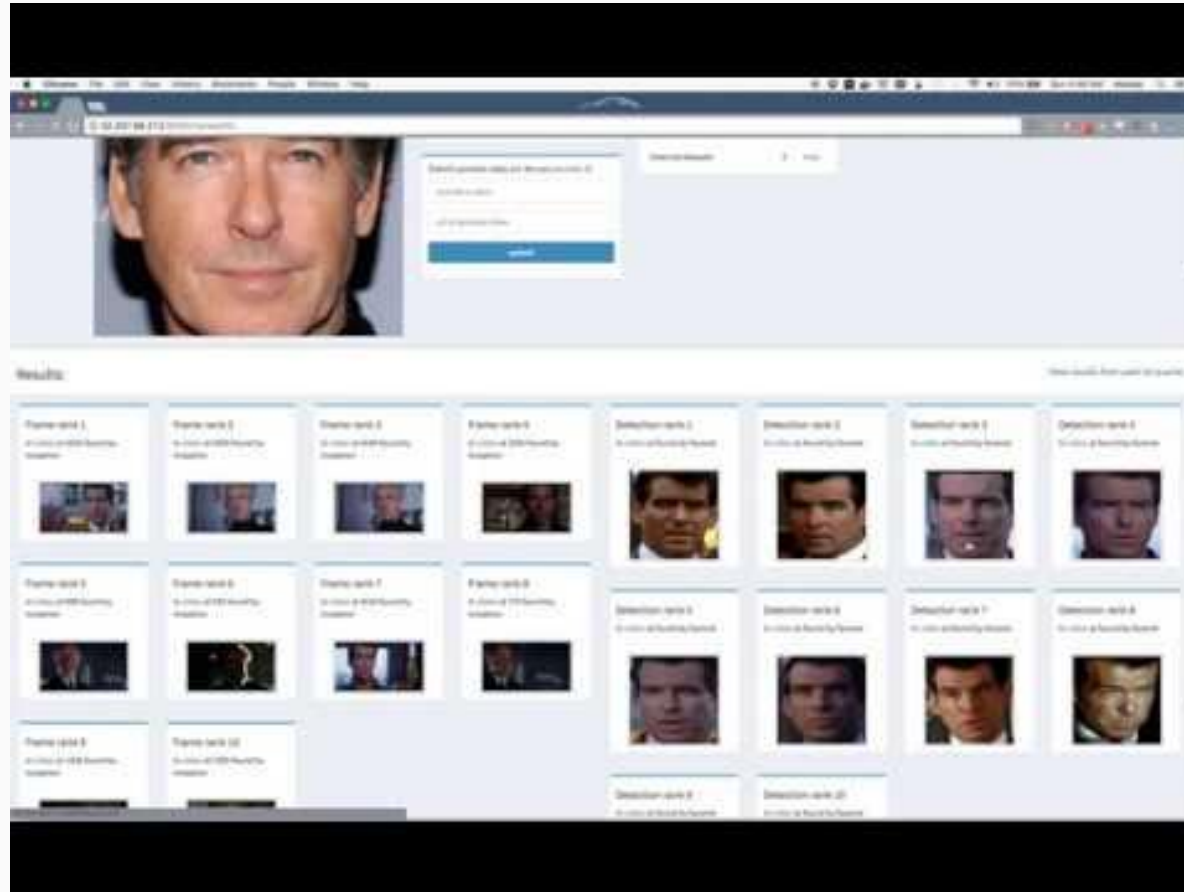
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# Demo Version Alpha 1, 15th March 2016



# Demo Version Alpha 2, 7th April 2017

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# Open questions:

A work in progress

- How to rank results using auxiliary information?
- How to balance fast/static vs slow/dynamic indexes?
- How to incorporate text data extracted from images?
- Learning from annotations?
- Real time plug-in that bypasses queue based system?
- An Android / iOS frontend app for data acquisition?

# Thanks!

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