



Information Retrieval

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Lecture topics: Multimedia IR

What is Multimedia?

- Basically our digital life
- Audio
 - Music
 - Speech
 - Sound
- Visuals
 - Images
 - Sketches
- Misc
 - Videos
 - 3D objects
 - ...
- Any combination
 - PDF, web pages

Multimedia IR: Use cases

- Images:
 - Find look-alike pictures. (Google Reverse Image search)
 - Medical Images
 - recognize landmarks. (Google Lens)
 - people wearing white suit

Multimedia IR: Use cases

- Audio:
 - Finding similar sounds
 - Music
 - Animal sounds
 - Copyrights
 - Retrieve relevant speech or podcasts or music

Shazam [<http://www.shazam.com/>] discover what song is playing

AudiID: <https://www.mufin.com/products/>

<http://themefinder.org/>

Multimedia IR: Use cases

- Videos:
 - Finding similar videos
 - Copyrights
 - Retrieve relevant news telecasts
 - Find specific actions: Kathak dance
 - Lecture

<https://berify.com/>

Volume of Multimedia Data



Basic IR Working Intuition

Piggyback Retrieval

- Convert everything to Text
- Use text based retrieval

Use metadata or loose annotations (automated or manual)

- **Image caption** (Text surrounding images on web page)
- Video to Text
- Music to Text
- Metadata of videos, music (title)

Eg: <http://max-image-caption-generator-web-app.mybluemix.net/>




Information Loss

- Annotation:
“Wasp on a yellow
Flower”

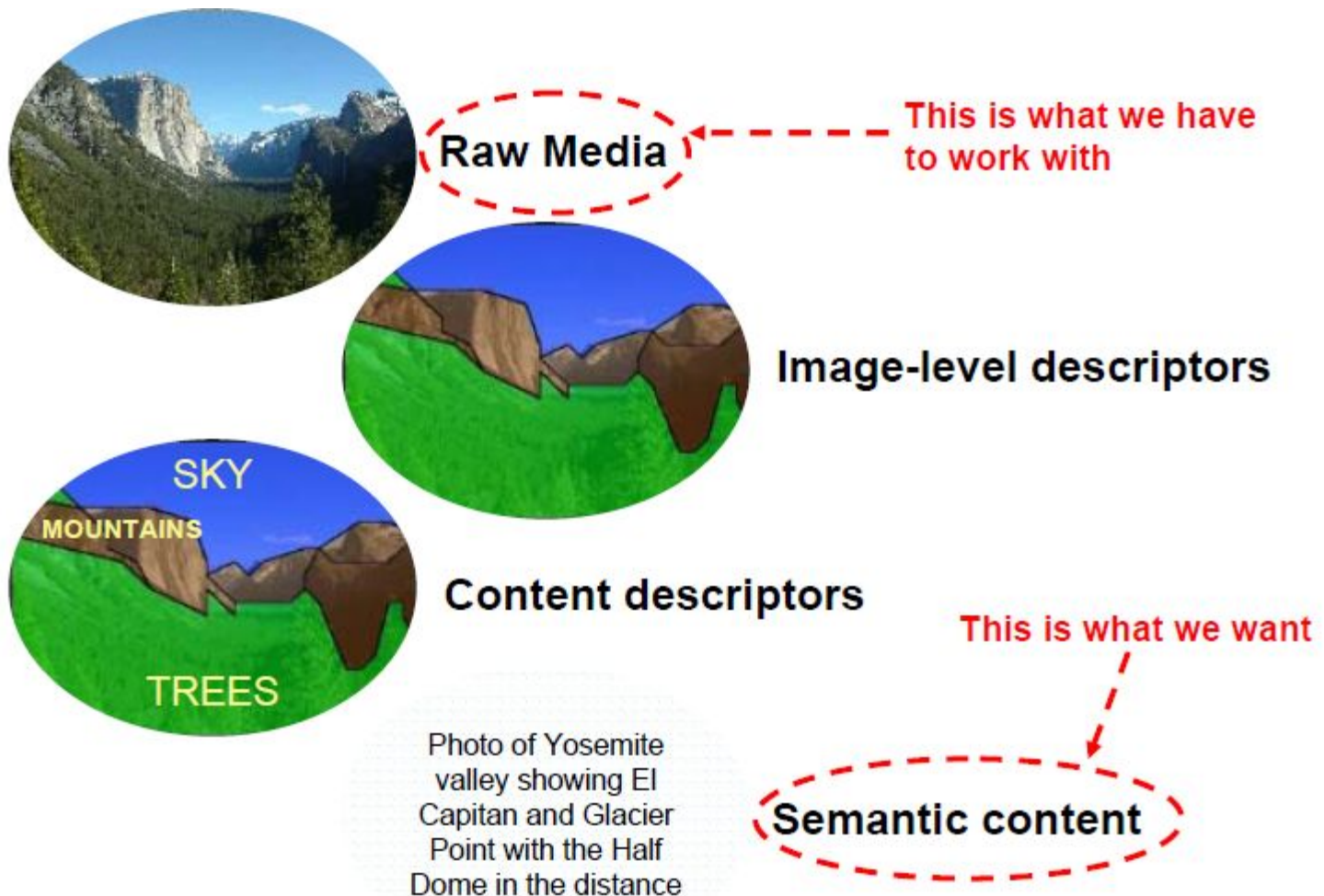
Will miss the query:
“insect feeding”



Semantic Gap

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

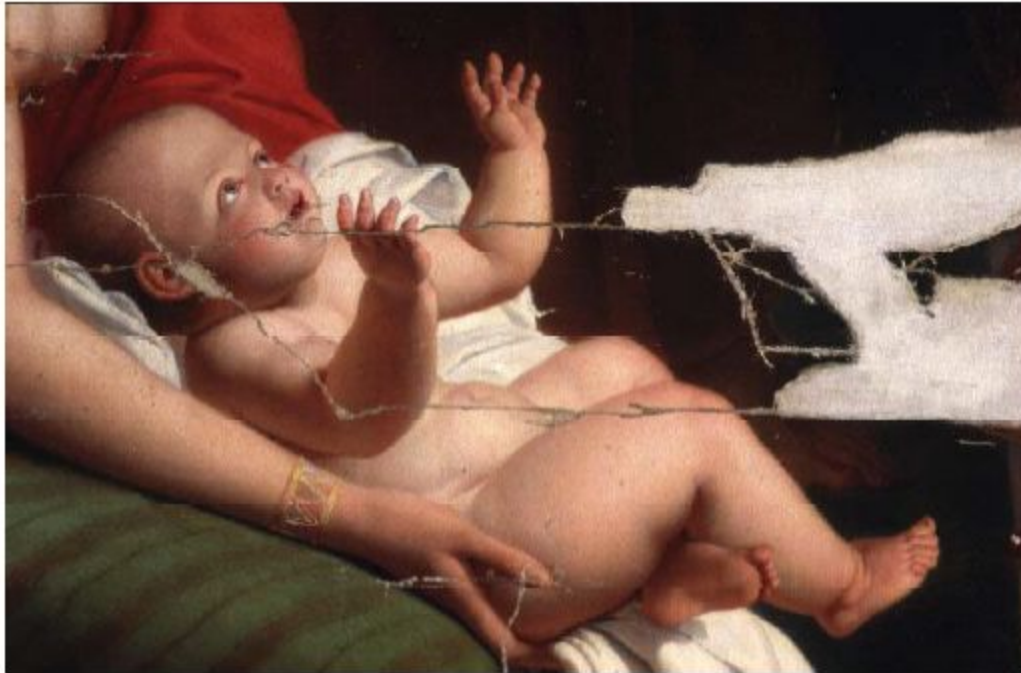
Semantic Gap



Example - Sub-image matching

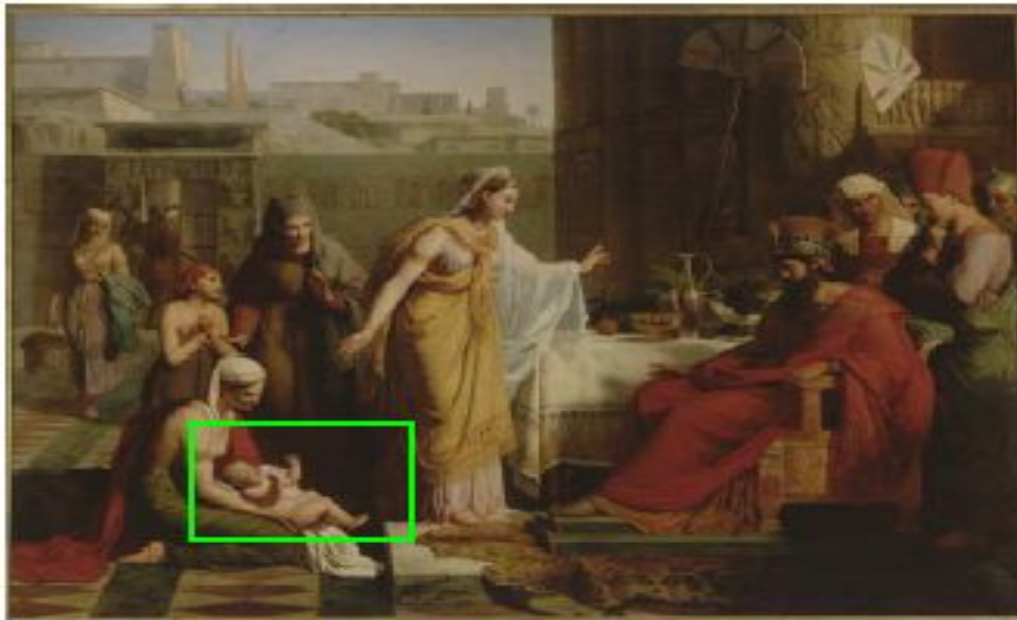
- Given a query image, find the parent image in the database with which it matches, either as a whole or as a part
- Give location information showing where in the parent the query is positioned
- The images may be very high resolution
- The query and target may be at different resolutions.

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Best matching image with sub-image identified





Thank You!