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# FORENSIC INVESTIGATIONS OF TERRORISTIC ATTACKS

- **Context**
  - Forensic Investigation
  - Investigating video data after a terroristic attack
- **Objectives**
  - Spot suspects
  - Follow hints by civilian witnesses
  - Collect and secure evidence
  - Prevent immediate or subsequent attacks



# FORENSIC INVESTIGATIONS OF TERRORISTIC ATTACKS

- **Obstacles**
  - Great increase in the number of public and private cameras
  - Massively increasing volume of video data to be analysed
    - Boston Marathon Bombing 5.000h
    - Toulouse and Montauban: 10.000h (35TB)
  - Time pressure
    - Timely content evaluation of video mass data is of considerable importance



# FORENSIC INVESTIGATIONS OF TERRORISTIC ATTACKS

- **Initial Situation (before project)**
  - manual viewing/processing of the video material
  - Personnel-intensive: time span from several hundred to several thousand hours
- **Technical, supporting tools necessary**
- **Projects Goals and Outcomes**
  - 2 Projects
    - FLORIDA (Bi-Lateral funding Austria/Germany) => initial research
    - VICTORIA (H2020) => TRL 6 - 10
  - Large-scale computing platform
  - Analytical modules



# AUDIO EVENT DETECTION

Analytic Modules



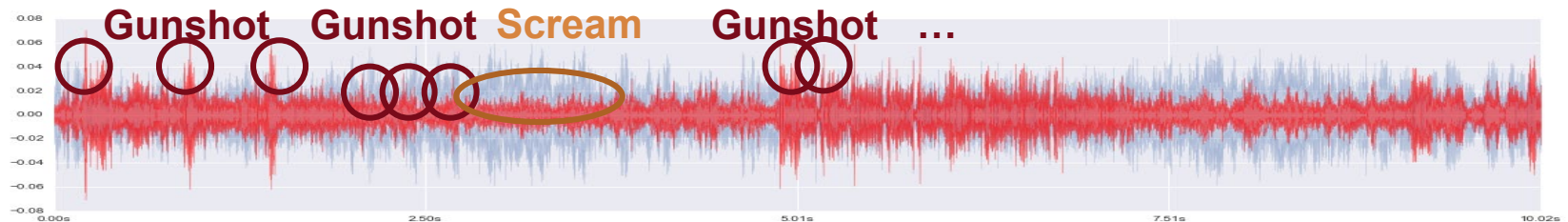
# AUDIO EVENT DETECTION

## • Task

- Detect and predict audio-events into predefined categories
  - Gunshots, explosions, emergency vehicles, scream, speech, Alarm

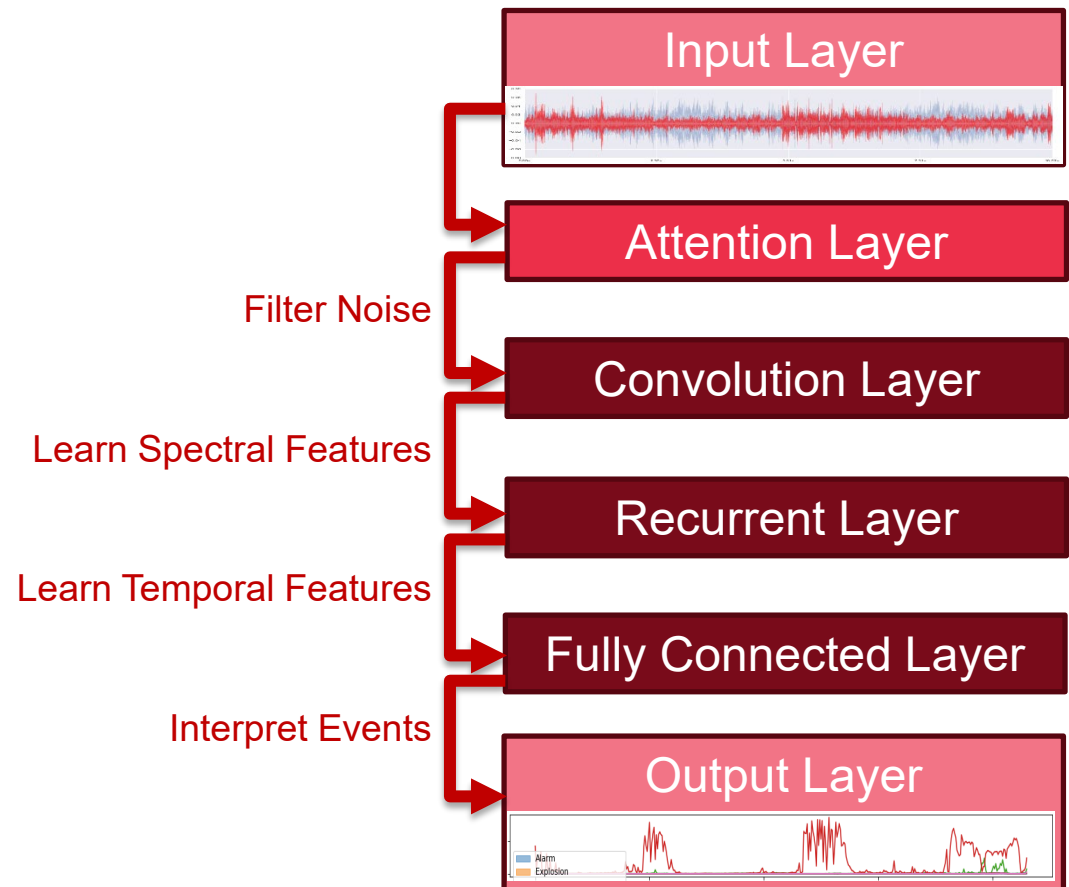
## • Use-Case

- Content filter in mass video-data
- Example: attack with firearms
  - => initiate search by filtering all videos which contain *Gunshots* (sorted by confidence)



# AUDIO EVENT DETECTION

- **Applied Technology**
  - Recurrent Convolutional Neural Networks
  - With Attention Layer

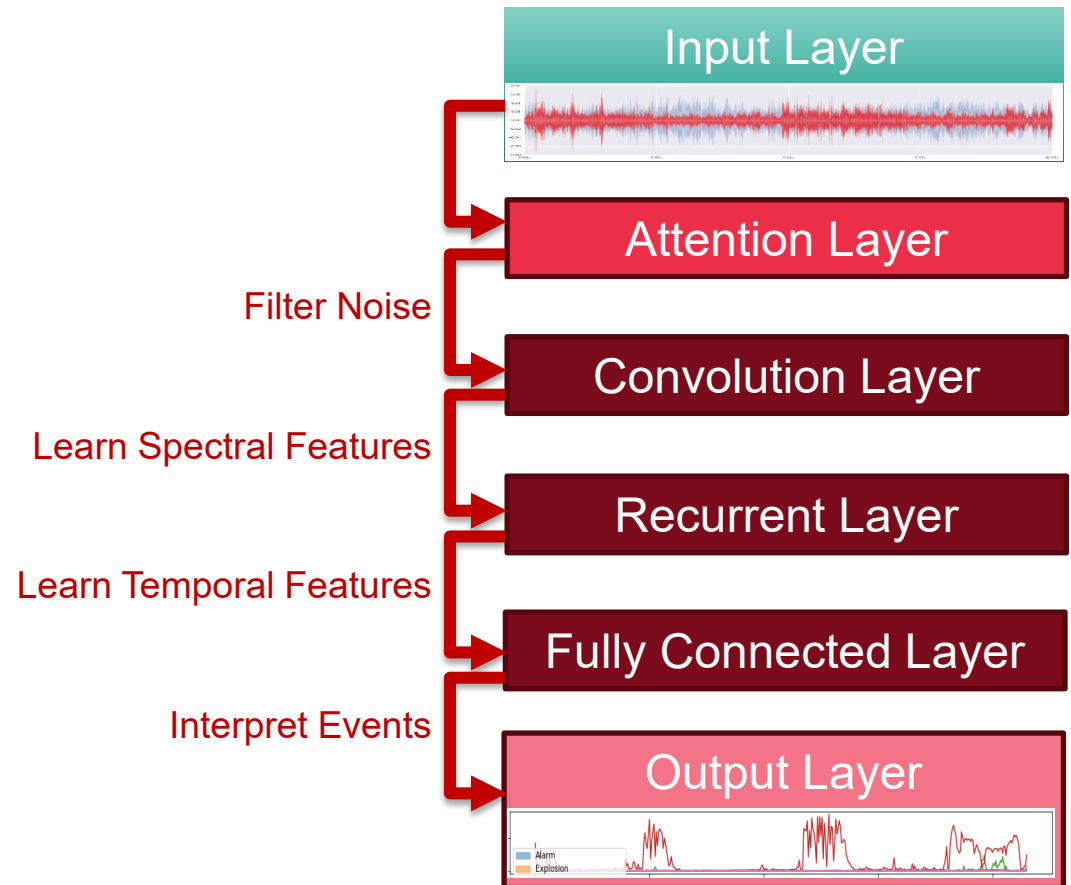




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- Common: Mel-Spectrograms



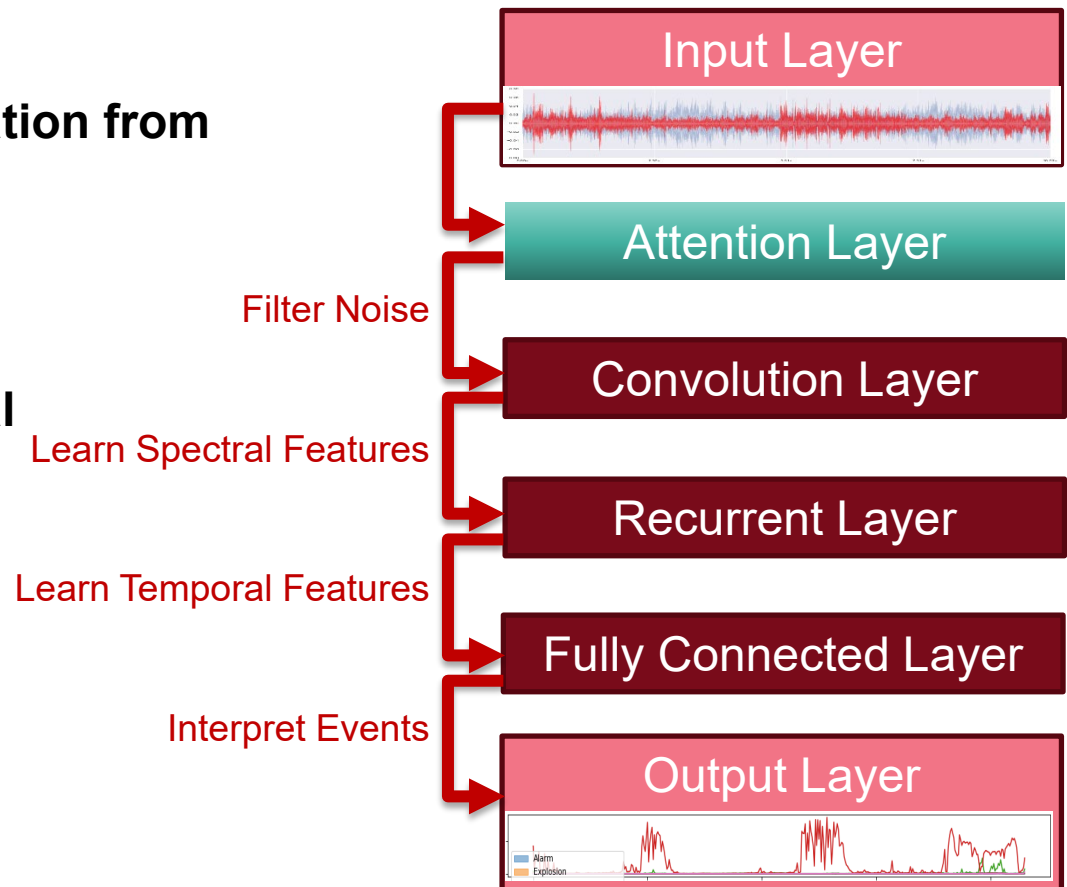
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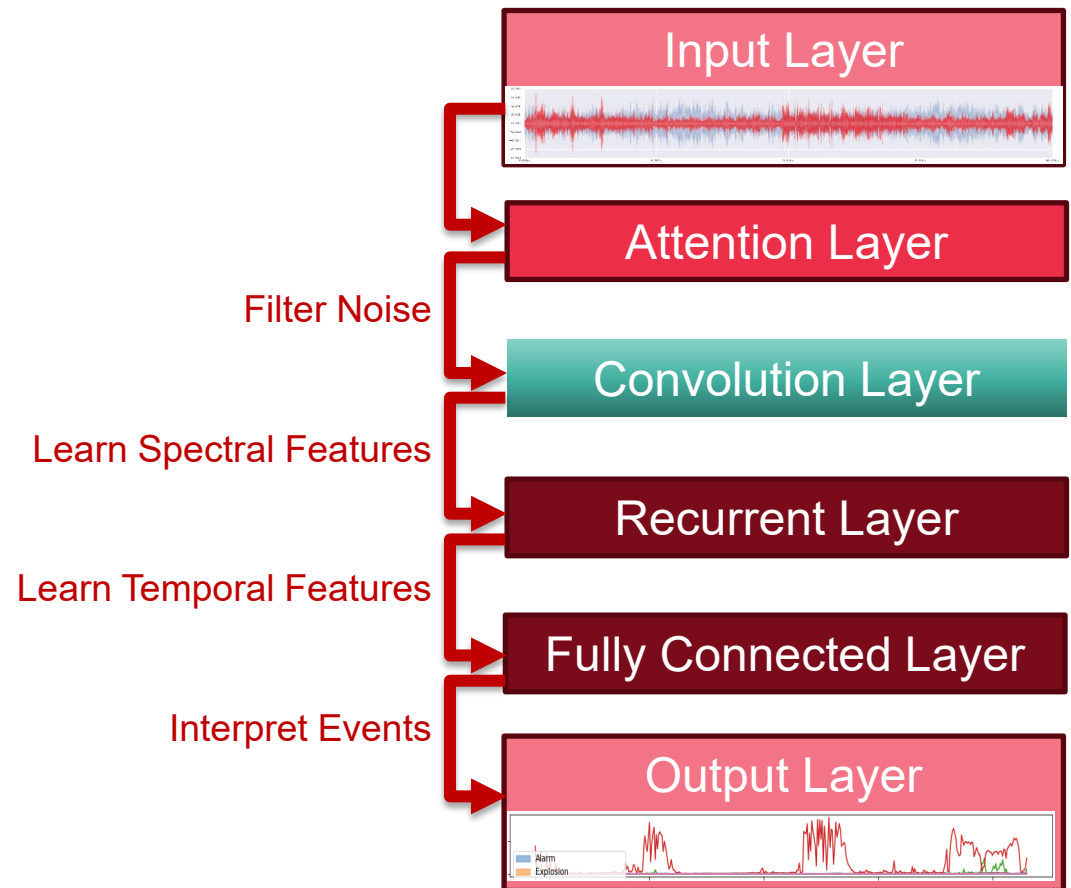
## • Attention Layer

- Filter non-relevant information from Input
- Help to learn faster
- Better convergence
- Better generalization
- Smoother prediction signal



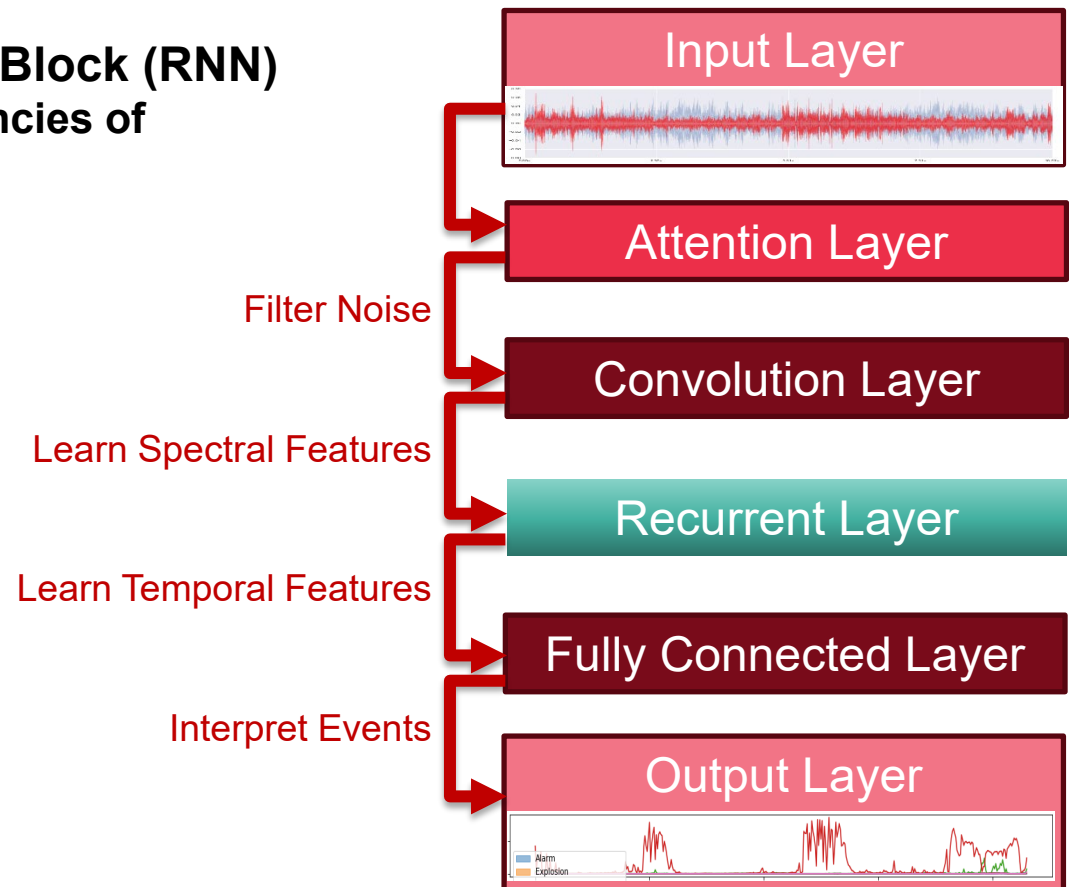
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  - Learn audio embeddings



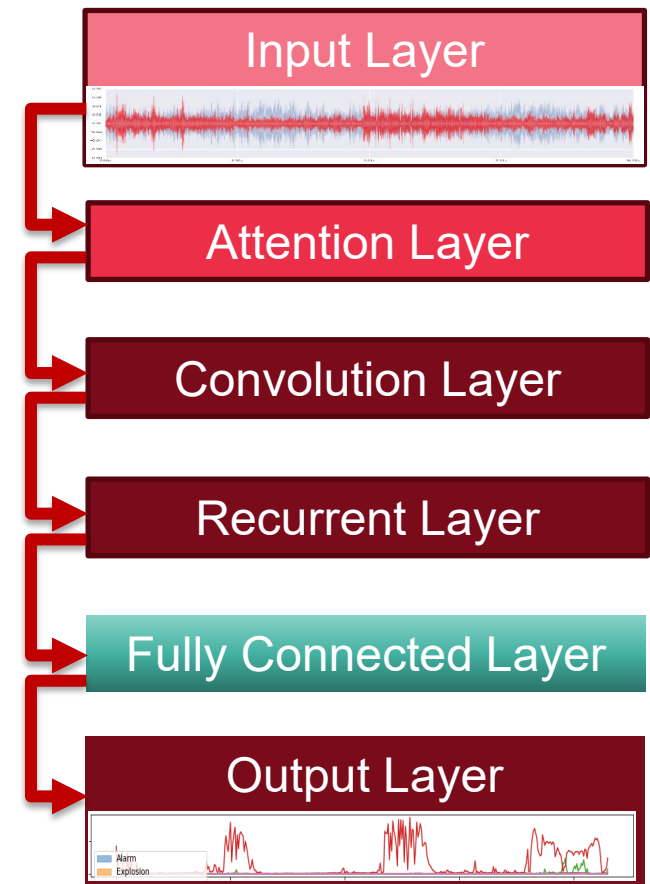
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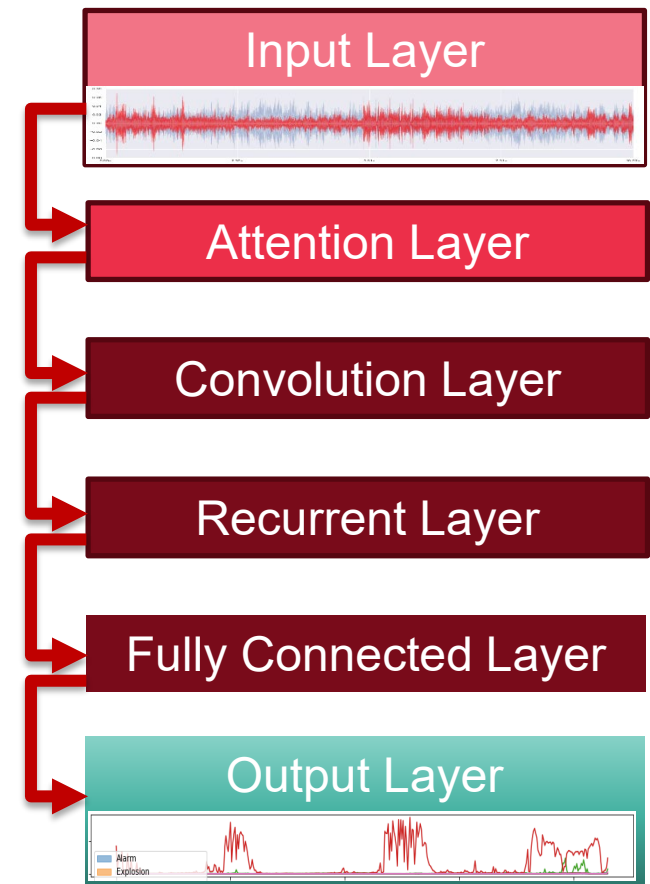
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5. **Outputs**
  - **Strong Labels – Training & Inference**
    - Output of Time-Distributed Fully Connected Layers
  - **Weak Labels - Training**
    - Output Layer aggregation (e.g. avg, max)
    - Multi label prediction



# Google Audio Set

- 2M Videos
- 632 audio events
- annotated according acoustic categories
- Weakly labelled (10s)
- Currently largest source of data

## Human sounds

- Human voice
- Whistling
- Respiratory sounds
- Human locomotion
- Digestive
- Hands
- Heart sounds, heartbeat
- Otoacoustic emission
- Human group actions

## Source-ambiguous sounds

- Generic impact sounds
- Surface contact
- Deformable shell

## Animal

- Domestic animals, pets
- [Livestock, farm animals, working animals](#)
- Wild animals

## Sounds of things

- Vehicle
- Engine
- Domestic sounds, home sounds
- Bell
- Alarm
- Mechanisms
- Tools
- Explosion

## Music

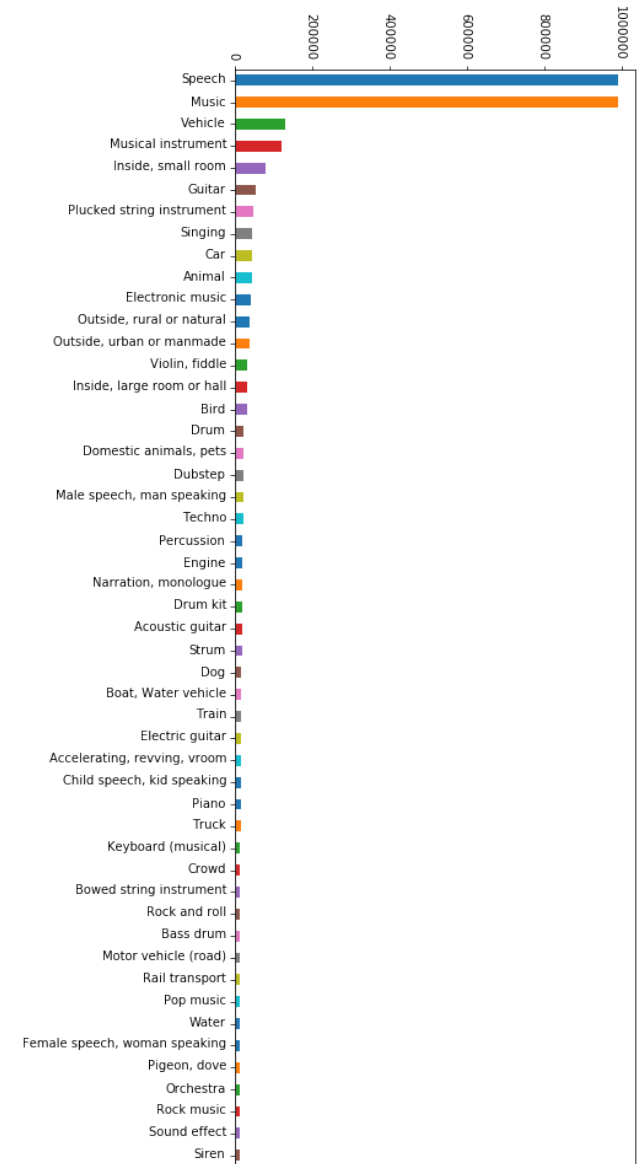
- Musical instrument
- Music genre
- Musical concepts
- Music role
- Music mood

## Natural sounds

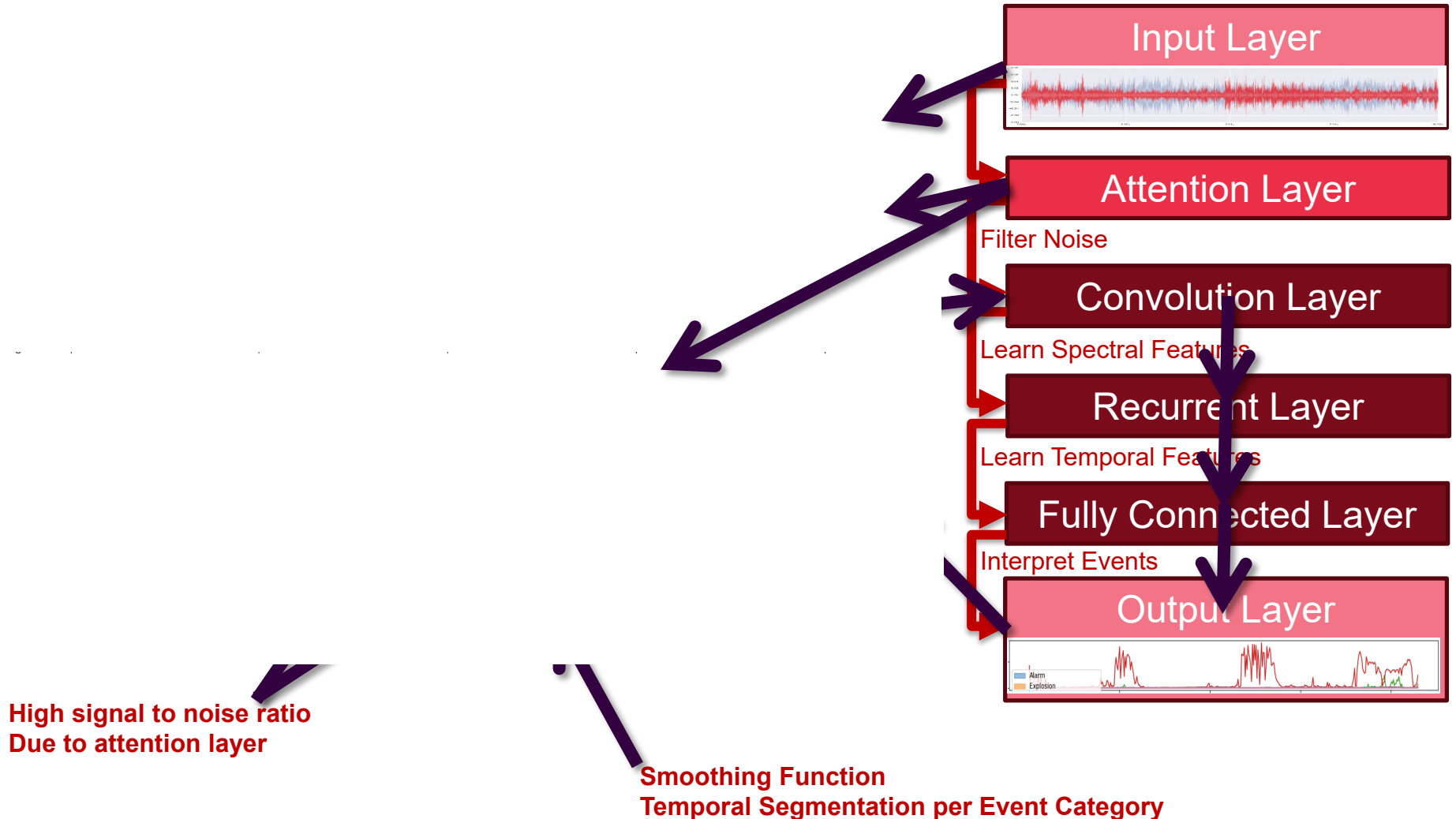
- Wind
- Thunderstorm
- Water
- Fire

## Channel, environment and background

- Acoustic environment
- Noise



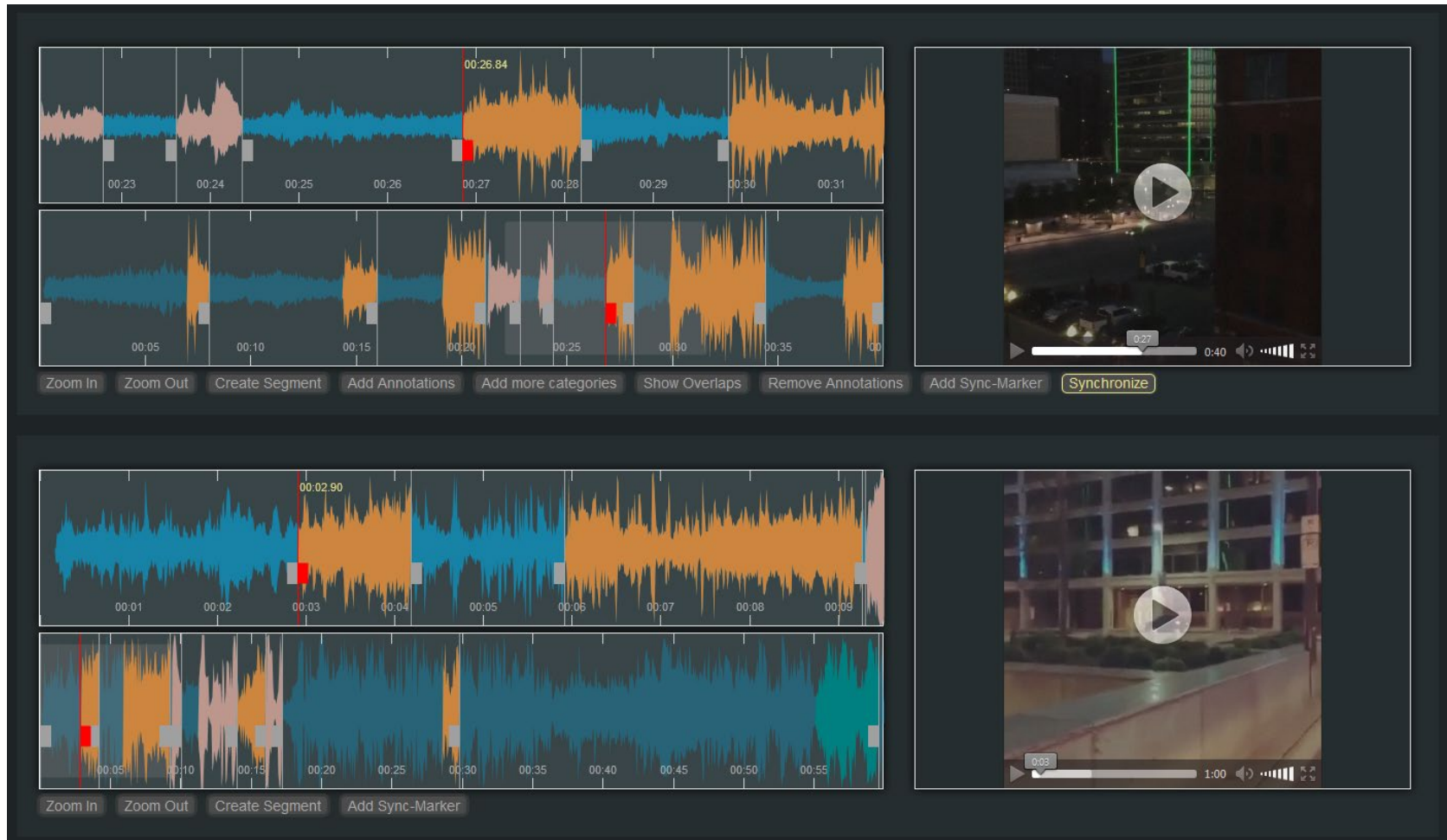
# RECURRENT CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORKS





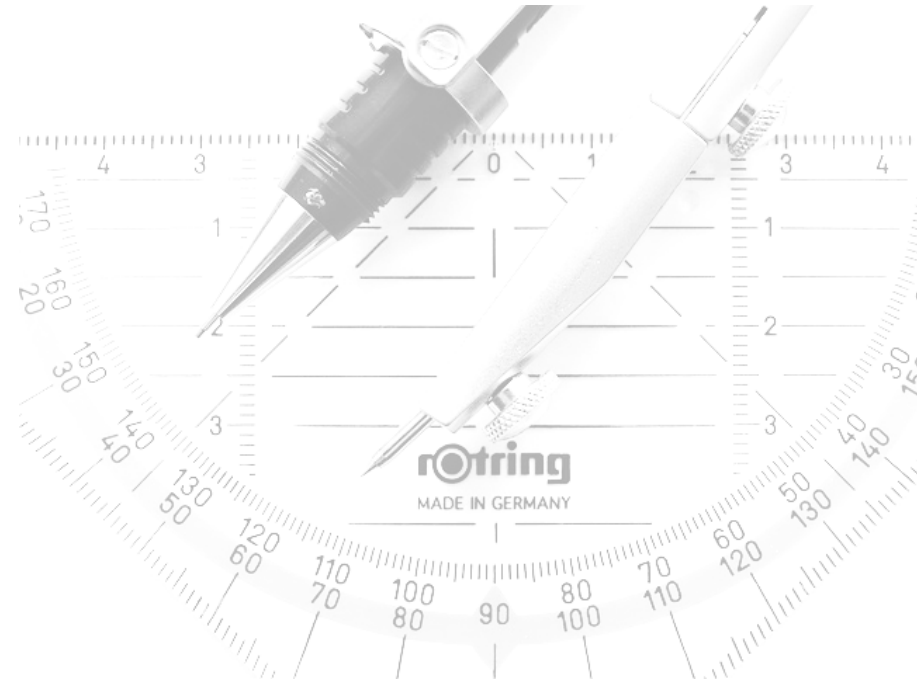
# AUDIO EVENTS VISUALIZED

## User Interface Prototyp



# AUDIO SIMILARITY

## Analytic Modules



# AUDIO SIMILARITY SEARCH

## Task

- Searching for video-segments with similar audio-signature
- Sub-Segment video-search

## Use-Case

- Suspect could not be identified in one video
- Select segment and search for others using audio-signature
- Instant localization (videos close to audio source)

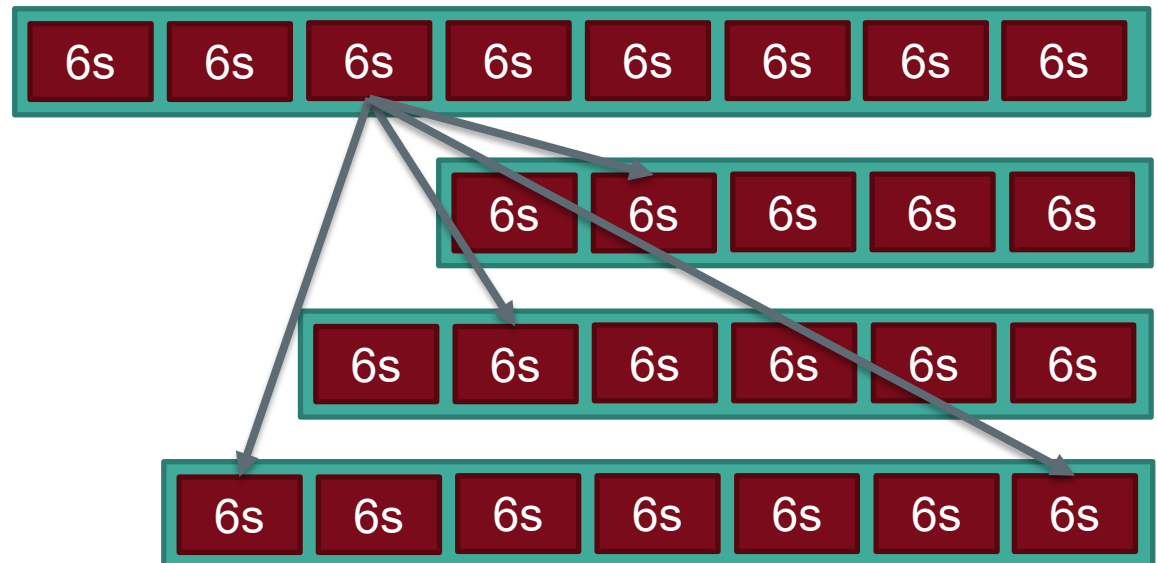
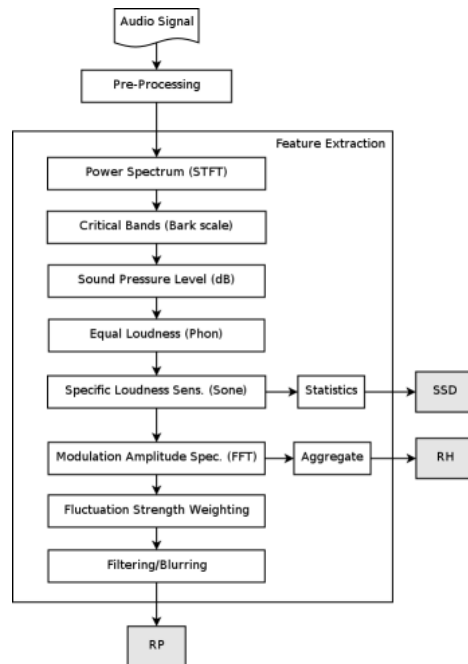
## Solution

- Select range in video
- Retrieve a list of similar sounding video segments
- Sorted by similarity



# AUDIO SIMILARITY SEARCH

- ◆ **Audio features extracted for each 6s segment**
  - ◆ Rhythm Patterns (repetitiveness in audio)
  - ◆ Statistical Spectrum Descriptors
- ◆ Nearest Neighbor search using late fusion in a normalized feature space

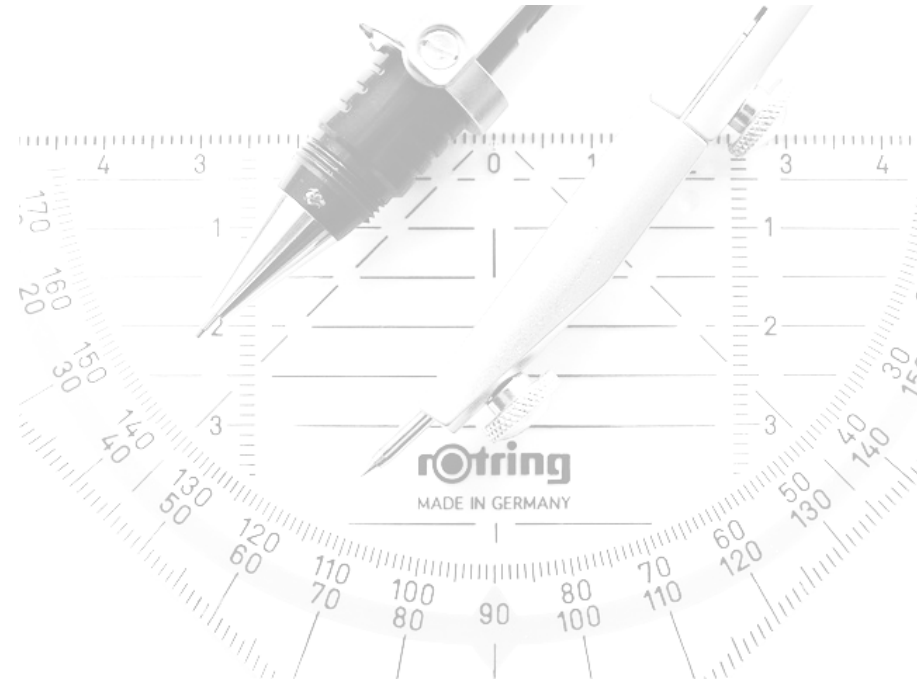






# AUDIO-BASED VIDEO- SYNCHRONIZATION

Analytic Module



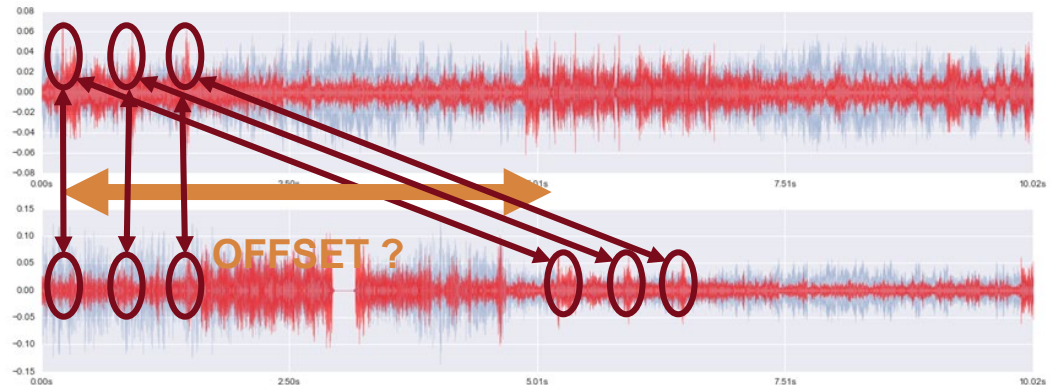
# AUDIO-BASED VIDEO-SYNCHRONIZATION

## Task

- Synchronize various video files with unreliable time metadata
- Use audio-signature to relatively align video files

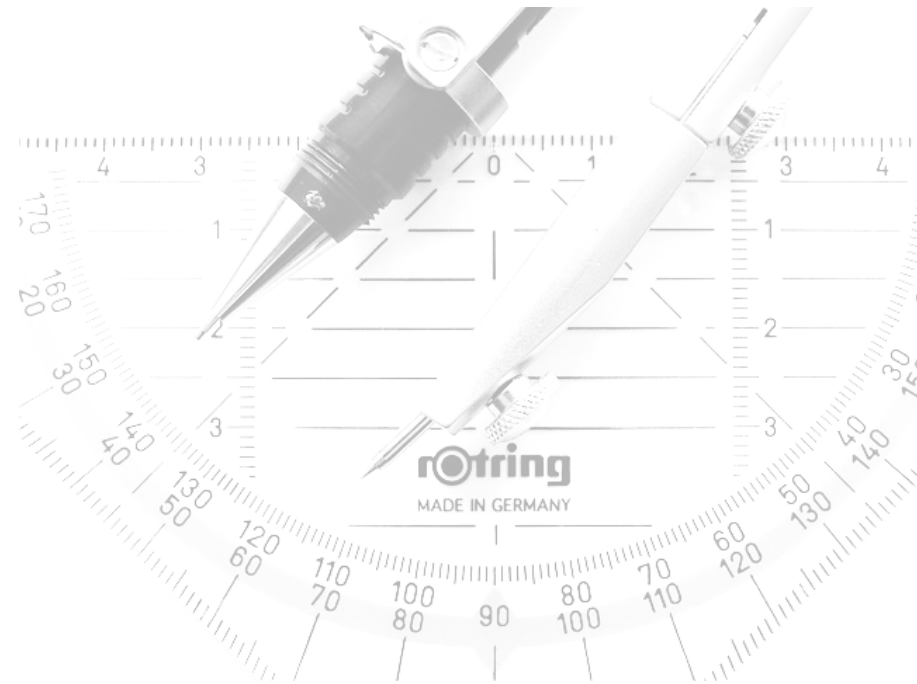
## Technology

- Audio-fingerprints (chromaprint)
- Noise invariant



# VISUAL ANALYTICS

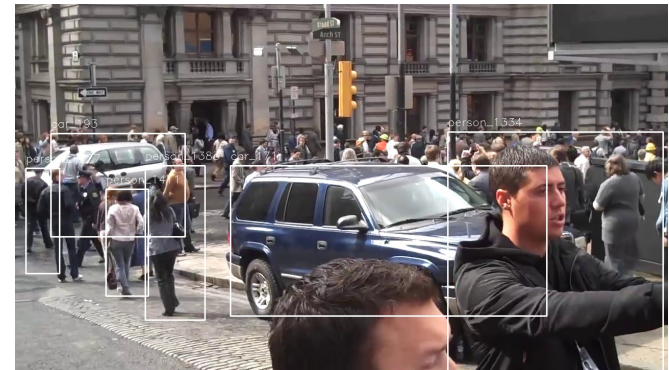
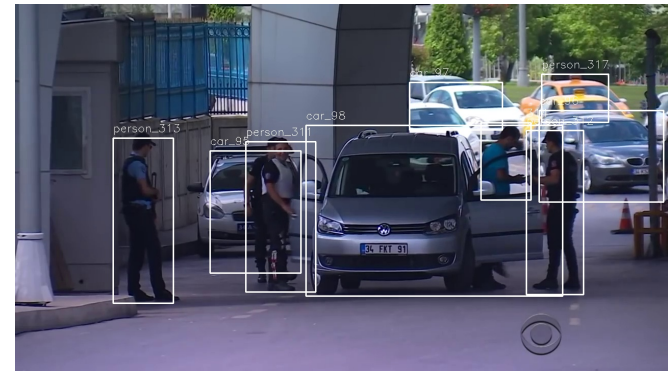
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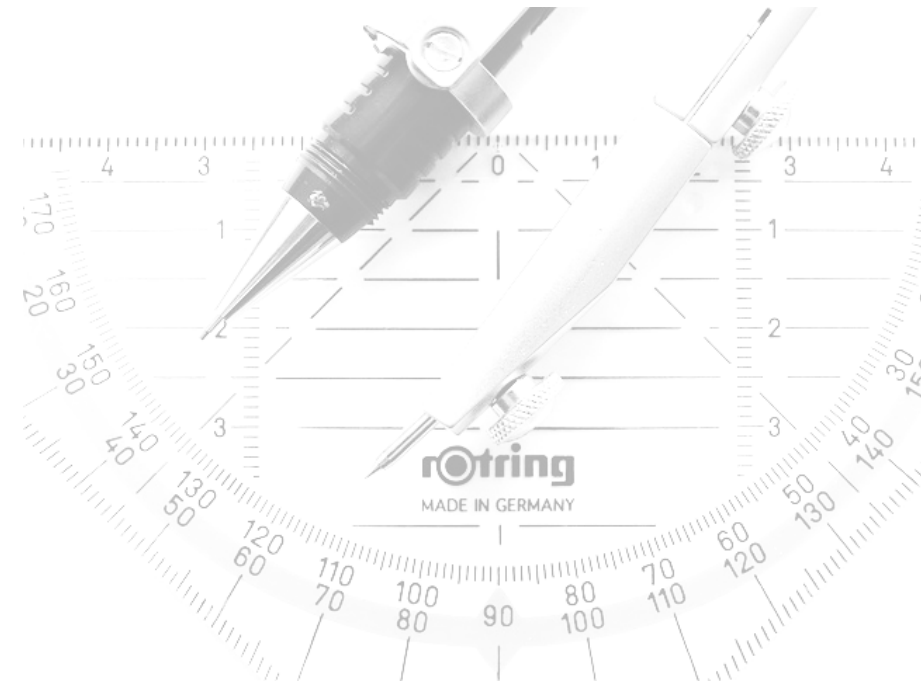
# VISUAL CONCEPT DETECTION

- YOLO
- License Plate detection
- Vehicle Color detection
- **Connected Vision** framework
  - Modular
  - Serviceoriented
  - Distributed
  - Scalable
- Rest Interface



# LARGE SCALE PLATFORM

Integration



# LARGE SCALE PLATFORM

## Forensic Analytics in Massive Video Content

### Visualization

Data Aggregation & Visualization  
Interactive Processing



### Large Scale Computing

Distributed Computing Clusters  
Cloud Computing Big Data Architectures

#### Scalable Platform

Apache Hadoop



#### GPU Platform

NVIDIA, Cuda



Hive

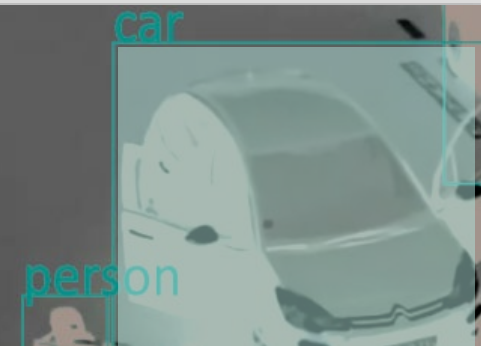
### Massive Video Data

e.g. after an terroristic attack  
CCTV, mobile phones



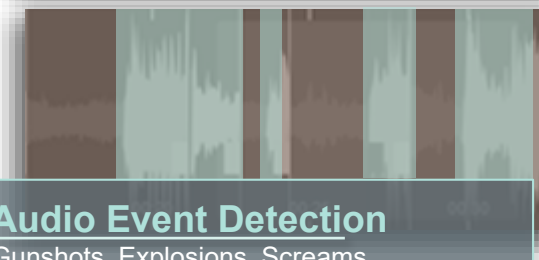
### Visual Object Detection

Suspects, Cars, Suitcases, Weapons  
License plates, 3D Trajectories



### Audio Event Detection

Gunshots, Explosions, Screams  
Spoken Words, Transcription



### GPU Scale Computing

Deep Learning, Deep Neural Networks  
Artificial Intelligence Modules

# CONCLUSIONS

- Audio Modules facilitate a rapid start into an investigation
  - Audio Event Detection => Filter
  - Audio Similarity                      => Search
- Visual Modules facilitate a broad search for certain objects
  - Follow hints
- Hadoop is not the best choice for multimedia processing
- Integration of audio algorithms into pre-existing visual analytics systems holds pitfalls

# THANK YOU

If you are interested  
in the demo  
ask me in the break!



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File: dIOZRPKa9A.webm Location: Dallas position: [18 - 24] sec confidence: 88,40% Title: Dallas Texas Shooting Caught On Video!!

Audio Detections [Show Emergency vehicle] [Show Explosion] [Show Gunshot] [Show Screaming] [Show Speech] Similarity Search [Select Range] [Zoom In] [Zoom Out] [Remove Annotations]

File: tFysefjH4.mp4 Location: Dallas position: [30 - 36] sec confidence: 70,90% Title: LIVE FACEBOOK VIDEO Police officers killed in Dallas protests against police

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Further Search Results

A grid of eight video thumbnails showing various scenes from the protests, each with a play button and a duration indicator.

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