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# Multimodal Machine Learning

## Lecture 1.2: Multimodal Research Tasks

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Spring 2021 edition taught by Yonatan Bisk*

## Lecture Objectives

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- Review course syllabus and administrative guidelines
- Understand the breath of possible tasks for multimodal research
- Research topics in affective computing
- Media description and Multimodal QA
- Multimodal navigation
- Examples of previous course projects
- Available multimodal datasets

# **Course Syllabus and Administrative Guidelines**

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# Lecture Schedule

Classes	Tuesday Lectures	Thursday Lectures	
<b>Week 1</b> 8/31 & 9/2	<b>Course introduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Research and technical challenges</li> <li>Course syllabus and requirements</li> </ul>	<b>Multimodal applications and datasets</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Research tasks and datasets</li> <li>Team projects</li> </ul>	
<b>Week 2</b> <i>(read)</i> 9/7 & 9/9 Due: 9/10, 9/13	<b>Basic concepts: neural networks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Language, visual and acoustic</li> <li>Loss functions and neural networks</li> </ul>	<b>Basic concepts: network optimization</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gradients and backpropagation</li> <li>Practical deep model optimization</li> </ul>	Project preferences due on Tuesday 9/8
<b>Week 3</b> <i>(read)</i> 9/14 & 9/16 Due: 9/17, 9/20	<b>Visual unimodal representations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Convolutional kernels and CNNs</li> <li>Residual network and skip connection</li> </ul>	<b>Language unimodal representations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Language models</li> <li>Gated recurrent networks</li> </ul>	Pre-proposals due on Wednesday 9/16
<b>Week 4</b> <i>(proj)</i> 9/21 & 9/23 Assign. due: 9/26	<b>Project hours (first assignment)</b>	<b>Multimodal representation learning</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multimodal auto-encoders</li> <li>Multiview clustering</li> </ul>	First assignment due on Sunday 9/26
<b>Week 5</b> <i>(read)</i> 9/28 & 9/30 Due: 10/1, 10/4	<b>Multimodal alignment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explicit - dynamic time warping</li> <li>Implicit - attention models</li> </ul>	<b>Alignment and representation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Self-attention models</li> <li>Pretrained models</li> </ul>	
<b>Week 6</b> <i>(proj)</i> 10/5 & 10/7 Assign. due: 10/10	<b>Project hours (second assignment)</b>	<b>Alignment and representation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multimodal transformers</li> <li>Video-based alignment</li> </ul>	Second assignment due on Sunday 10/10



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<b>Week 7</b> ( <i>read</i> ) 10/12 & 10/14 <i>Due: 10/15, 10/18</i>	<b>Alignment and translation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Module networks</li><li>Tree-based and stack models</li></ul>	<b>Mid semester Break – No Class –</b>
<b>Week 8</b> ( <i>read</i> ) 10/19 & 10/21 <i>Due: 10/22, 10/25</i>	<b>Graphical and Generative Models</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Probabilistic graphical models</li><li>Generative adversarial networks</li></ul>	<b>Project hours (midterm report)</b>
<b>Week 9</b> ( <i>proj</i> ) 10/26 & 10/28 <i>Assign. due: 10/31</i>	<b>Language, Vision and Actions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Action as a modality</li><li>Embodied language grounding</li></ul>	<b>Fusion and co-learning</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Multi-kernel learning and fusion</li><li>Few shots learning and co-learning</li></ul>
<b>Week 10</b> 11/2 & 11/4	<b>Project presentations (midterm)</b>	<b>Project presentations (midterm)</b>
<b>Week 11</b> ( <i>read</i> ) 11/9 & 11/11 <i>Due: 11/12, 11/15</i>	<b>Reinforcement learning</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Markov decision process</li><li>Q learning and policy gradients</li></ul>	<b>Multimodal RL</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Deep Q learning</li><li>Multimodal applications</li></ul>
<b>Week 12</b> 11/16 & 11/18	<b>New research directions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Recent approaches in multimodal ML</li></ul>	<b>Project Hours (final report)</b>

Midterm assignment  
due on Sunday 10/31

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Classes	Tuesday Lectures	Thursday Lectures
<b>Week 13</b> 11/23 & 11/25	<b><i>Thanksgiving Week – No Class –</i></b>	
<b>Week 14</b> <i>(proj)</i> 11/30 & 12/2 <i>Assign. due: 12/5</i>	<b><i>Project presentations (final)</i></b>	<b><i>Project presentations (final)</i></b>

Final assignment due  
on Sunday 12/5

# Course Grades

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■ Lecture highlights	15%
■ Reading assignments	12%
■ Project preferences/pre-proposal	3%
■ First project assignment	10%
■ Second project assignment	10%
■ Mid-term project assignment	
○ Report and presentation	20%
■ Final project assignment	
○ Report and presentation	30%

## First Reading Assignment – Week 2

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- Study groups: 9-10 students per group (randomly, in Piazza)
- 3 paper options are available
  - **Each student should pick one paper option!**
    - Google Sheets were created to help balance the papers between group members
  - Then you will create a short summary to help others [1 point]
- Discussions with your study group
  - Read other's summaries. Ask questions!
  - Write follow-up posts comparing the papers and suggesting ideas [1 point]
    - At least one follow-up post for every paper you did not read

# First Reading Assignment – Week 2

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Four main steps for the reading assignments

1. **Monday 8pm:** Official start of the assignment
2. **Wednesday 8pm:** Select your paper
3. **Friday 8pm:** Post your summary
4. **Monday 8pm:** Post your follow-up posts

Detailed instructions posted on Piazza

<https://piazza.com/cmu/fall2021/11777/resources>



## Lecture Highlight Forms – Starting Next Week! (Sept 7<sup>th</sup>)

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- Each lecture is split in 3 segments (~30mins each)
  - For each segment
    - Two sentences describing the two main points described in this segment
  - For the whole lecture
    - Your main two take-aways from the lecture
  - Optionally, students can write questions in this form
- Highlight forms submitted same day as lecture (before 11:59pm)
  - Students are encouraged to attend lectures in person

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## Late Submissions and Wildcards

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- Each student has **6** late submission wildcards
  - For lecture highlight forms or reading assignments
- Each project team has **2** late submission wildcards
  - For any of the project assignments
- Total number of wildcards: 8 (6 individual and 2 team-level)
- Each wildcard gives 24-hour extension
  - No partial credits for the wildcards
  - Automatically calculated (no need to contact us apriori)

See details about late submission policy in syllabus

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11777: Multimodal Machine Learning

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### Description

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Multimodal machine learning (MMML) is a vibrant multi-disciplinary research field which addresses some of the original goals of artificial intelligence by integrating and modeling multiple communicative modalities, including linguistic, acoustic and visual messages. With the initial research on audio-visual speech recognition and more recently with language & vision projects such as image and video captioning, this research field brings some unique challenges for multimodal researchers given the heterogeneity of the data and the contingency often found between modalities. This course will teach fundamental mathematical concepts related to MMML including multimodal alignment and fusion, heterogeneous representation learning and multi-stream temporal modeling. We will also review recent papers describing state-of-the-art probabilistic models and computational algorithms for MMML and discuss the current and upcoming challenges.

Recommended preparation: This is a graduate course designed primarily for PhD and research master students at LTI, MLD, CSD, HCII and RI; others, for example (undergraduate) students of CS or from professional master programs, are advised to seek prior permission of the instructor. It is required for students to have taken an introduction machine learning course such as 10-401, 10-601, 10-701, 11-663, 11-441, 11-641 or 11-741. Prior knowledge of deep learning is recommended. Students should have proper academic background in probability, statistic and linear algebra. Programming knowledge in Python is also strongly recommended.

More details in the Syllabus document.

### General Information

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**Time**  
Tuesdays and Thursday, 3:20pm-4:40pm

**Location**  
DH 1212

### Announcements

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- ✓ Announcements
- ✓ Question/Answers
- ✓ Reading assignments
- ✓ Project resources
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THINGS TO DO

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 Create your first assignment from the [Assignments](#) page.

- ✓ Submit your project assignments
- ✓ Submit short essays from reading assignments
- ✓ View the comments from your graded reports

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# Spring 2022 Edition of the MMML Course !

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Spring 2020 course website:

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# Course Project Timeline

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## Pre-proposal (*due Wednesday Sept. 15*)

- Define your dataset, research task and teammates

## First project assignment (*due Sunday Sept. 26*)

- Study related work to your selected research topic

## Second project assignment (*due Sunday Oct 10*)

- Experiment with unimodal representations

## Midterm project assignment (due Monday Nov. 1)

- Implement and evaluate state-of-the-art model(s)

## Final project assignment (due Sunday Dec. 5)

- Implement and evaluate new research ideas

## Equal Contribution by All Teammates!

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- Each team will be required to create a GitHub repository which will be accessible by TAs
- Each report should include a description of the task from each teammate
- Please let us know soon if you have concerns about the participation levels of your teammates

## Process for Selecting your Course Project

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- Today: Lecture describing available multimodal datasets and research topics
- **Tuesday 9/7:** Let us know your dataset preferences for the course project
- **Thursday 9/9:** During the later part of the lecture, we will have an interactive period to help with team formation
- **Wednesday 9/15:** Pre-proposals are due. You should have selected your teammates, dataset and task
- Following week: meeting with TAs to discuss project

## Project Preferences – Due Tuesday 9/7

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- Post your project preferences:
  - List of your ranked preferred projects
    - Use alphanumeric code of each dataset
    - Detailed dataset list in the "Lecture1.2-datasets" slides
  - Previous unimodal/multimodal experience
  - Available CPU / GPU resources
- For topics or datasets not in the list:
  - Include a description with links (for instructors and other students)

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# Multimodal Research Tasks

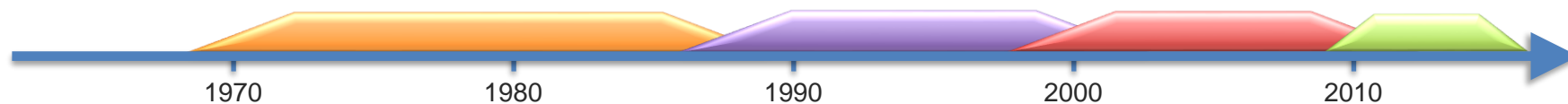
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# Prior Research on “Multimodal”

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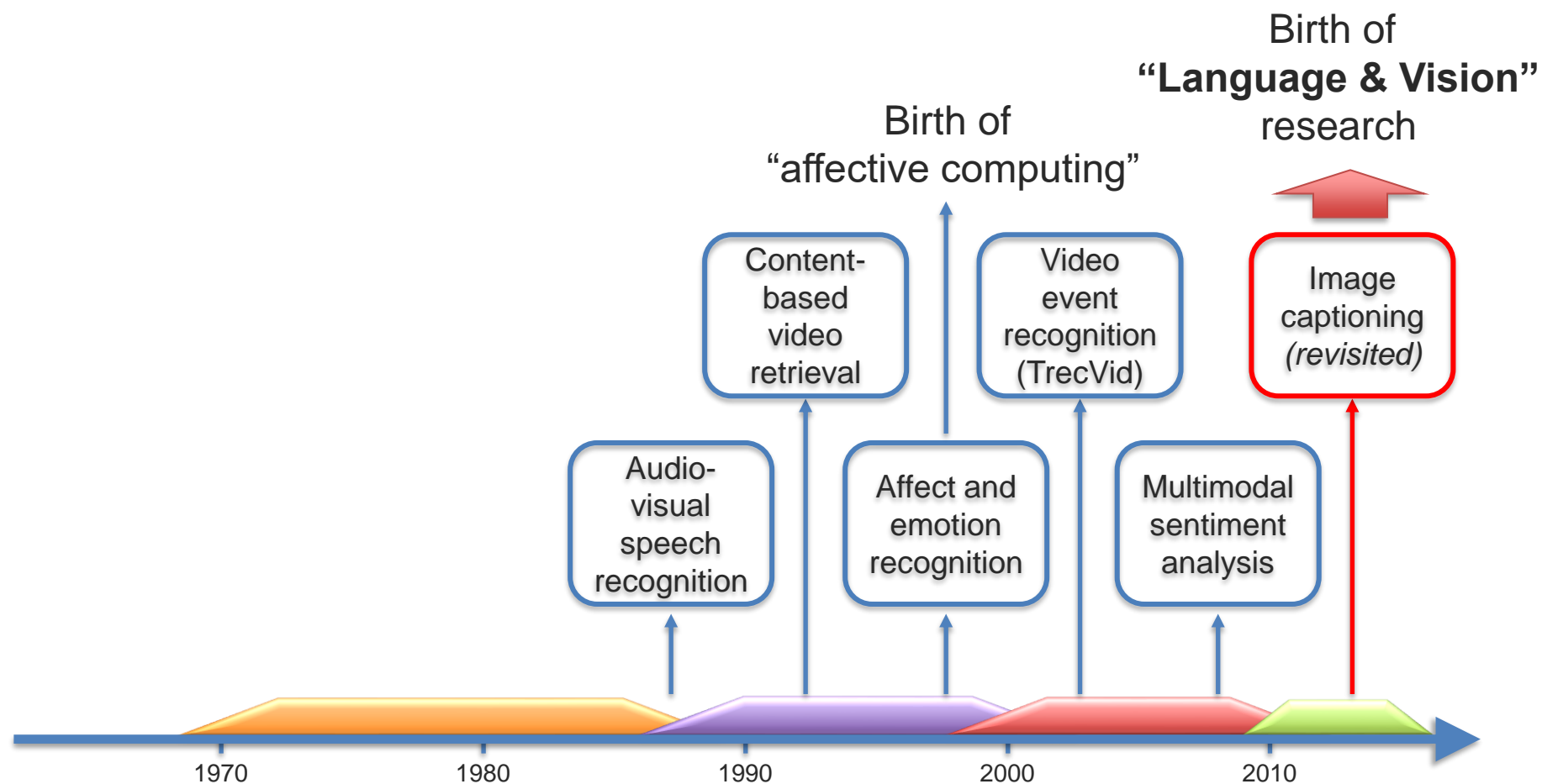
## Four eras of multimodal research

- The “behavioral” era (1970s until late 1980s)
- The “computational” era (late 1980s until 2000)
- The “interaction” era (2000 - 2010)
- The “deep learning” era (2010s until ...)
  - ❖ Main focus of this course



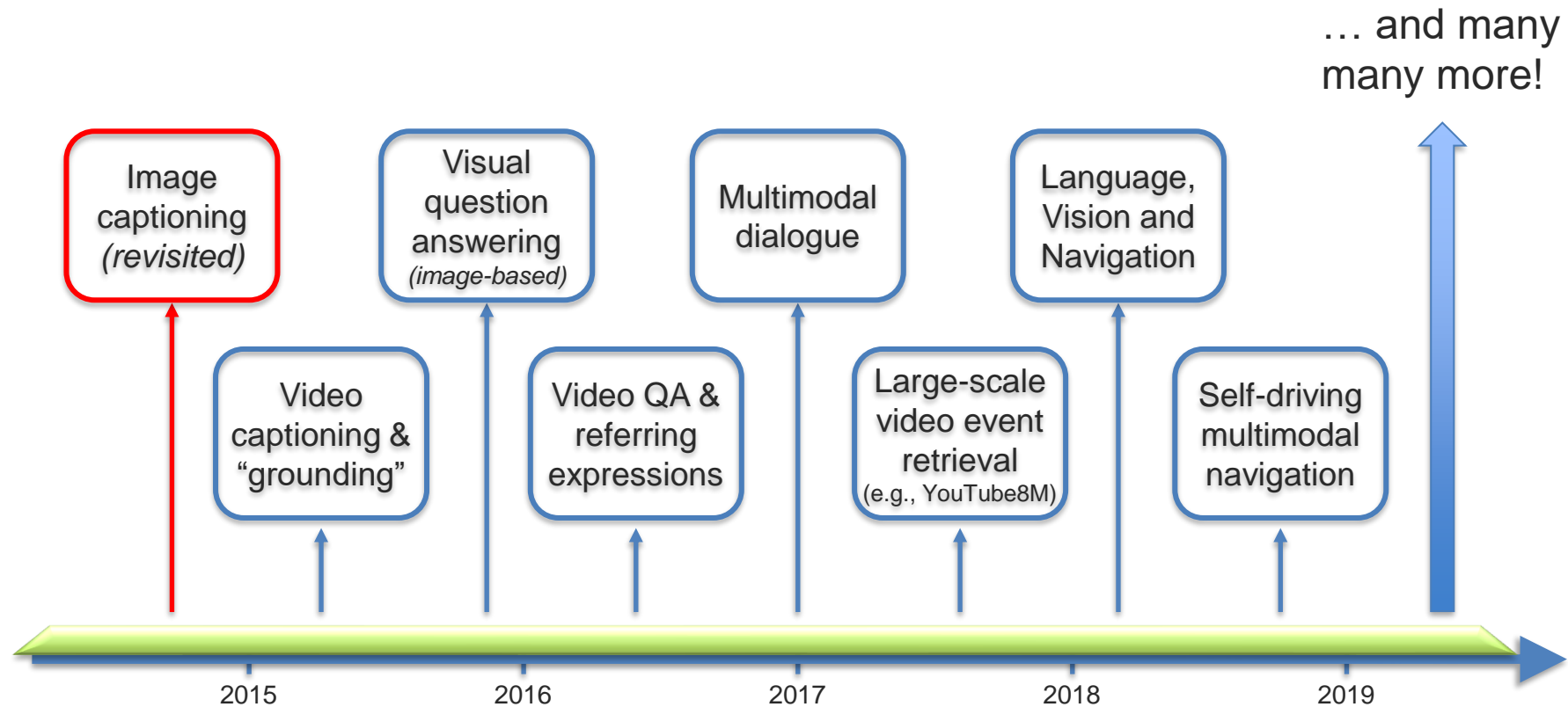


# Multimodal Research Tasks



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# Real world tasks tackled by MMML

## A. Affect recognition

- Emotion
- Personalities
- Sentiment



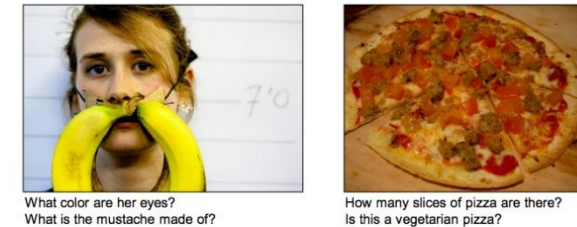
## B. Media description

- Image and video captioning



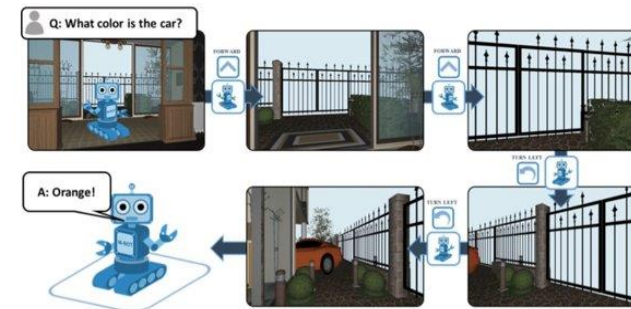
## C. Multimodal QA

- Image and video QA
- Visual reasoning



## D. Multimodal Navigation

- Language guided navigation
- Autonomous driving



# Real world tasks tackled by MML

## E. Multimodal Dialog

- Grounded dialog

## F. Event recognition

- Action recognition
- Segmentation

## G. Multimedia information retrieval

- Content based/Cross-media



(a) get-out-car



(a) fight-person



(b) push-up



(b) cartwheel



# Affective Computing

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# Common Topics in Affective Computing

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- **Affective states** – emotions, moods, and feelings
- **Cognitive states** – thinking and information processing
- **Personality** – patterns of acting, feeling, and thinking
- **Pathology** – health, functioning, and disorders
- **Social processes** – groups, cultures, and perception

# 11-776 Multimodal Affective Computing

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## 11-776: Multimodal Affective Computing

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### Lecture Notes

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Lecture Notes		Lecture Date	Actions
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<a href="#">Lecture14BehaviorGeneration.pdf</a>	☰	Apr 16, 2019	✎ Edit 📄 Post a note 📁 Update File 🗑️ Delete
<a href="#">Lecture13MultimodalDeepLearning.pdf</a>	☰	Apr 9, 2019	✎ Edit 📄 Post a note 📁 Update File 🗑️ Delete
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<a href="#">Lecture11.2InterRaterReliability.pdf</a>	☰	Mar 28, 2019	✎ Edit 📄 Post a note 📁 Update File 🗑️ Delete



# Audio-Visual Emotion Challenges (AVEC)

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- Three AVEC challenge datasets  
2011/2012, 2013/2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
- Audio-Visual emotion recognition
- Labeled for dimensional emotion (per frame)
- 2011/2012 has transcripts
- 2013/2014/2016 also includes depression labels per subject
- 2013/2014 reading specific text in a subset of videos
- 2015/2016 includes physiological data
- 2017/2018 includes depression/bipolar



[AVEC 2011/2012](#)



[AVEC 2013/2014](#)



[AVEC 2015/2016](#)



# Multimodal Sentiment Analysis

- Multimodal sentiment and emotion recognition
- [CMU-MOSEI](#) : 23,453 annotated video segments from 1,000 distinct speakers and 250 topics

*And he I don't think he got mad when hah  
I don't know maybe.*

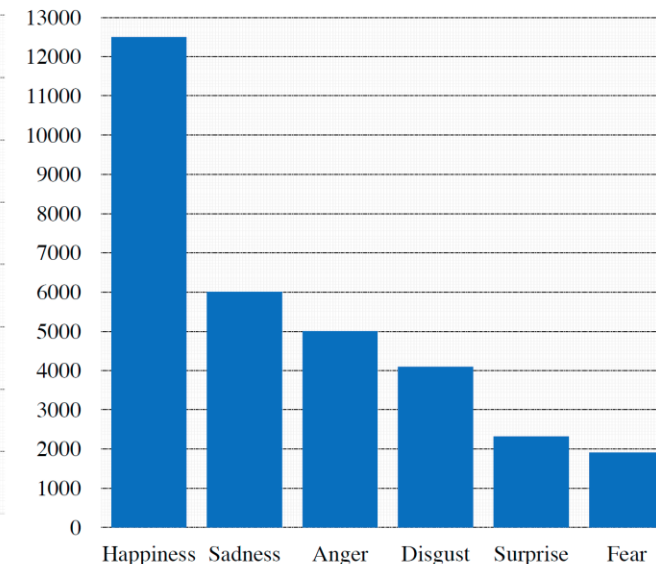
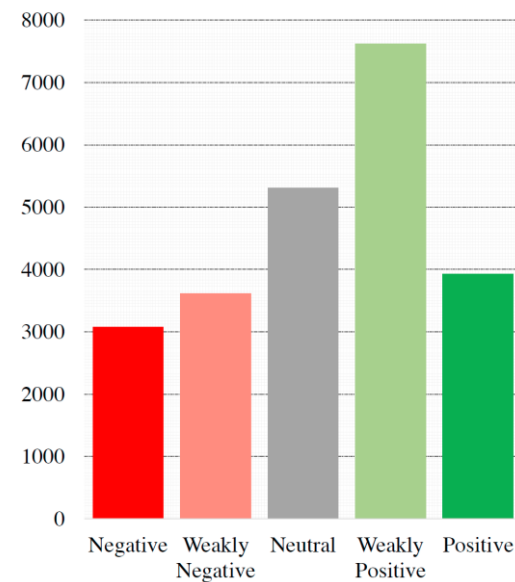


(frustrated voice)

*All I can say is he's a pretty average guy.*

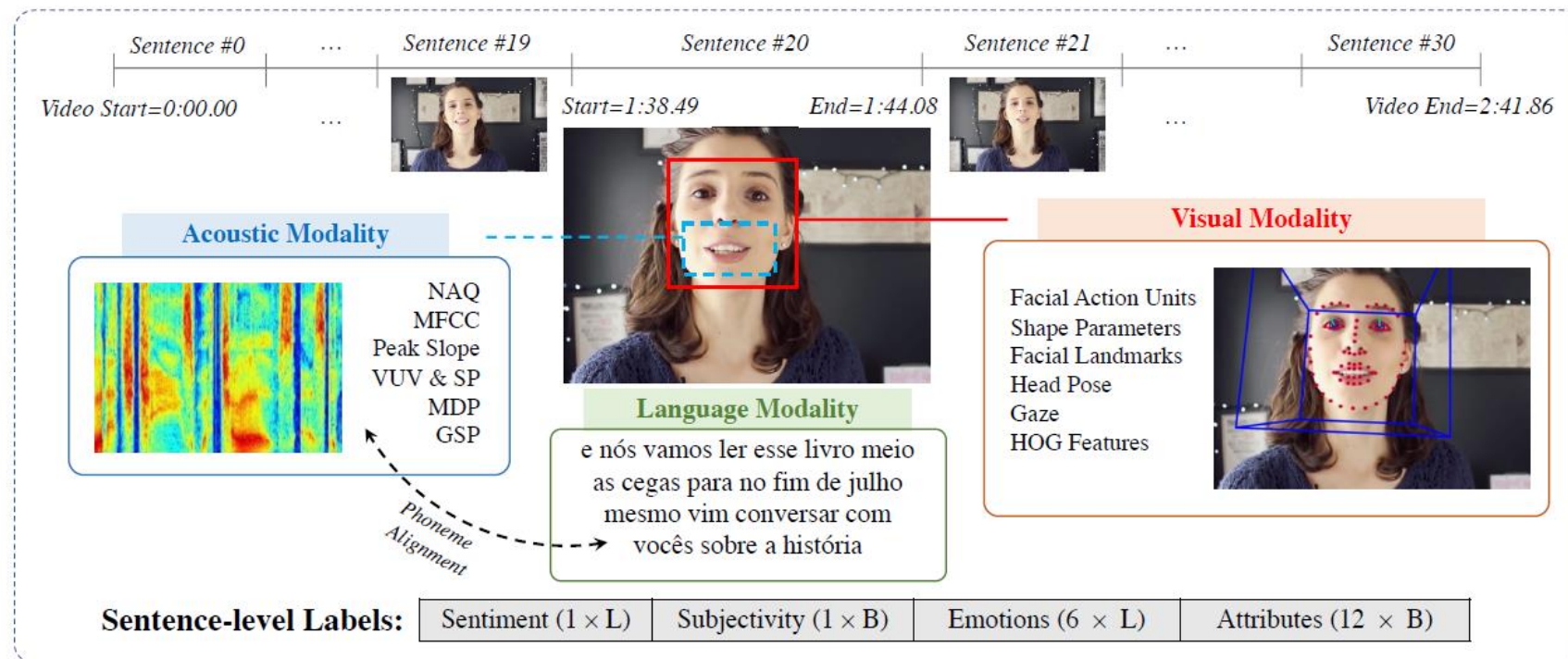


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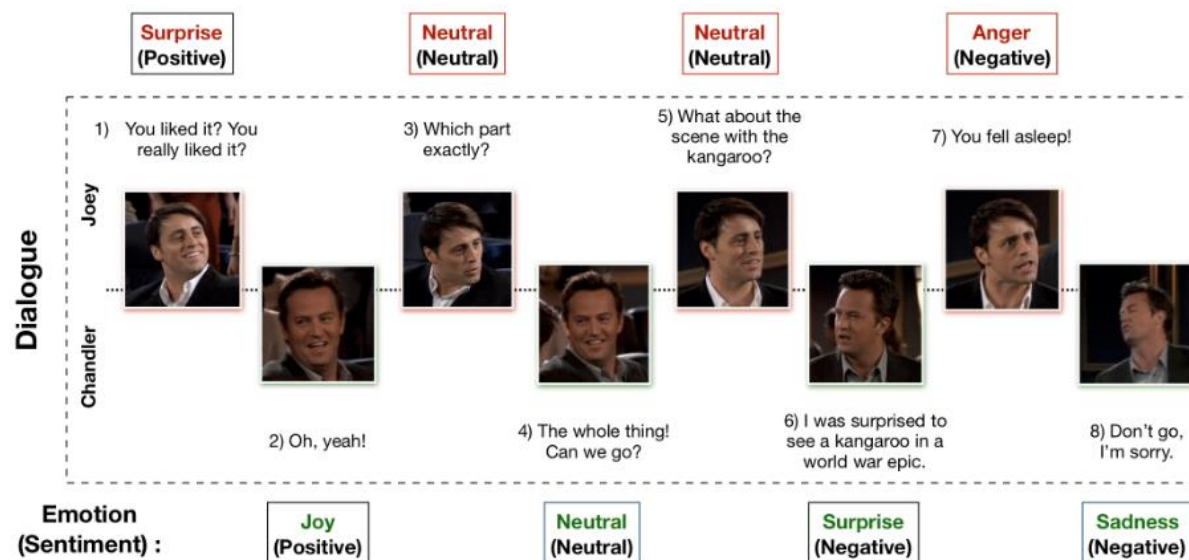
# Multi-Lingual Multimodal Sentiment Analysis

MOSEAS dataset: French, Spanish, Portuguese and German languages



# Multi-Party Emotion Recognition

- [MELD](#): Multi-party dataset for emotion recognition in conversations



Utterance: "Become a drama critic!"

Emotion: Joy Sentiment: Positive

Text	Audio	Visual
Ambiguous	Joyous tone	Smiling Face



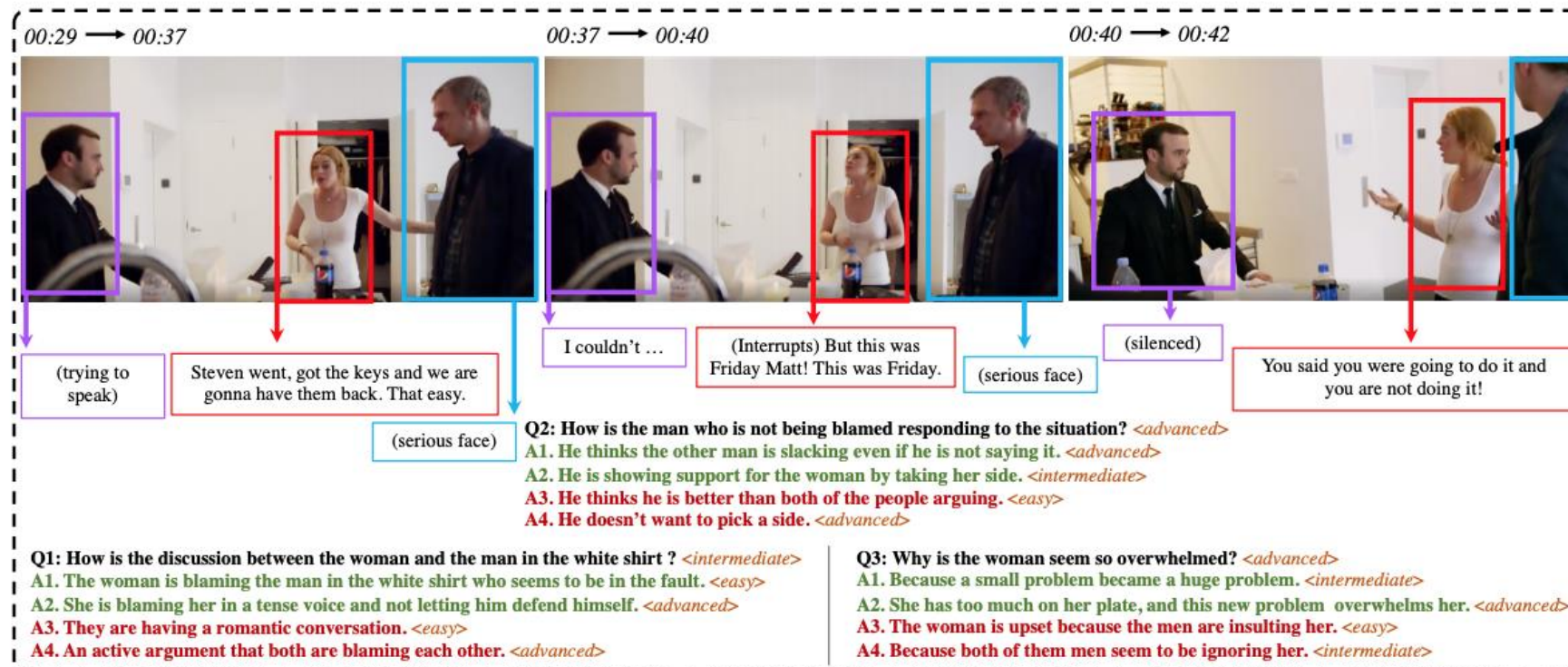
Utterance: "Great, now he is waving back"

Emotion: Disgust Sentiment: Negative

Text	Audio	Visual
Positive/Joy	Flat tone	Frown

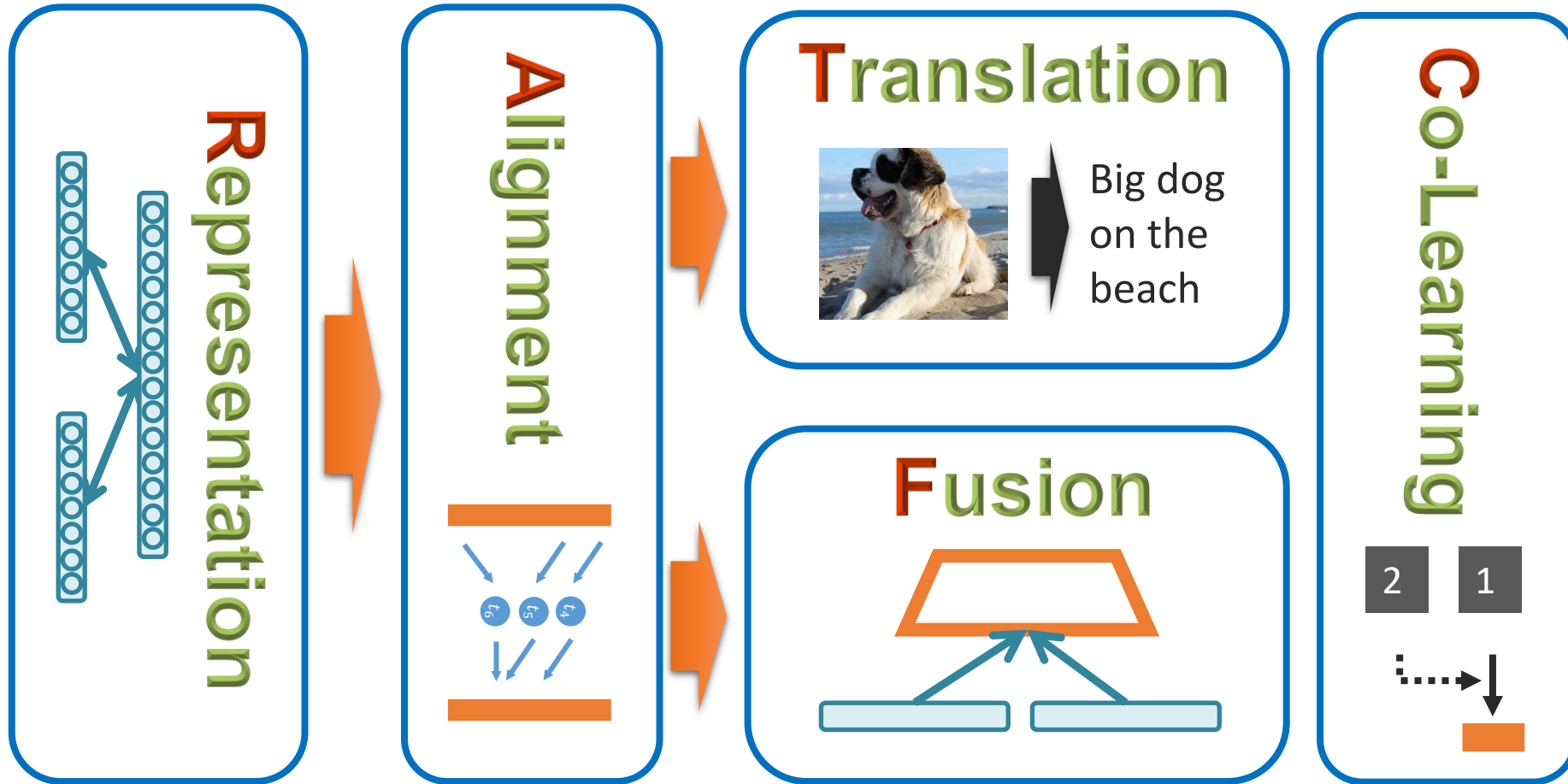
# Social Interaction Q&A Dataset

- [Social-IQ](#): 1.2k videos, 7.5k questions, 50k answers
- Questions and answers centered around social behaviors





# What are the Core Challenges Most Involved in Affect Recognition?



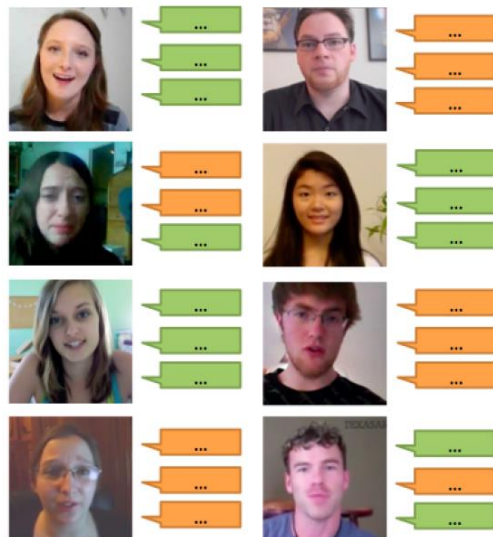
# Project Example: Select-Additive Learning

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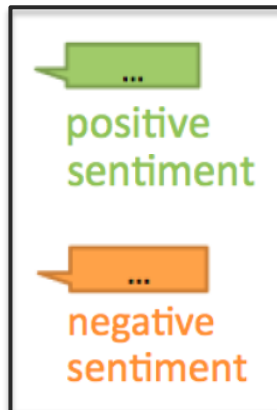
**Research task:** Multimodal sentiment analysis

**Datasets:** MOSI, YouTube, MOUD

**Main idea:** Reducing the effect of *confounding factors* when limited dataset size



Legend



What rules can you infer from this data?

- ✓ Smile -> positive sentiment
- ✓ Frown -> negative sentiment
- ✓ nod -> positive sentiment
- ✗ Wearing glasses -> negative sentiment

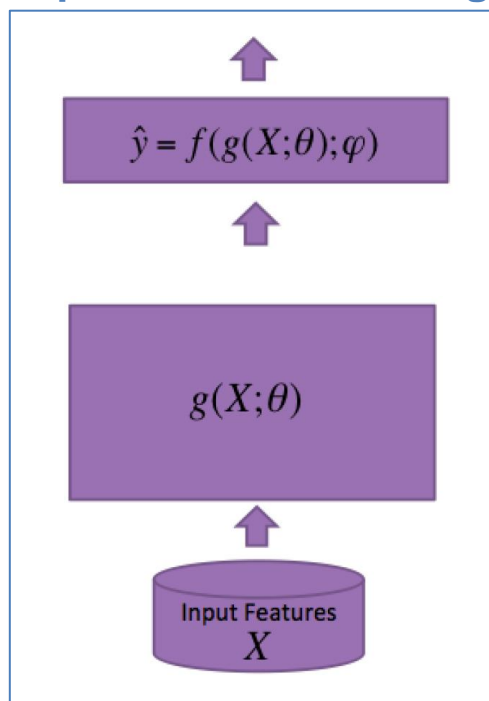
**Confounding factor!**

Haohan Wang, Aaksha Meghawat, Louis-Philippe Morency and Eric P. Xing, Select-additive Learning: Improving Generalization In Multimodal Sentiment Analysis, ICME 2017, <https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.05244>

# Project Example: Select-Additive Learning

**Solution:** Learning representations that reduce the effect of user identity

“Conventional”  
representation learning



Select-Additive Learning



**Hypothesis:** the representation is a mixture from the person-independent factor  $g(X)$  and the person-dependent factor  $h(Z)$ .

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# Project Example: Word-Level Gated Fusion

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**Research task:** Multimodal sentiment analysis

**Datasets:** MOSI, YouTube, MOUD

**Main idea:** Estimating importance of each modality at the word-level in a video.



Visual Gate:

Reject

Pass

Reject



Visual modality: Hands cover mouth

**How can we build an interpretable model that estimates modality and temporal importance, and learns to attend to important information?**

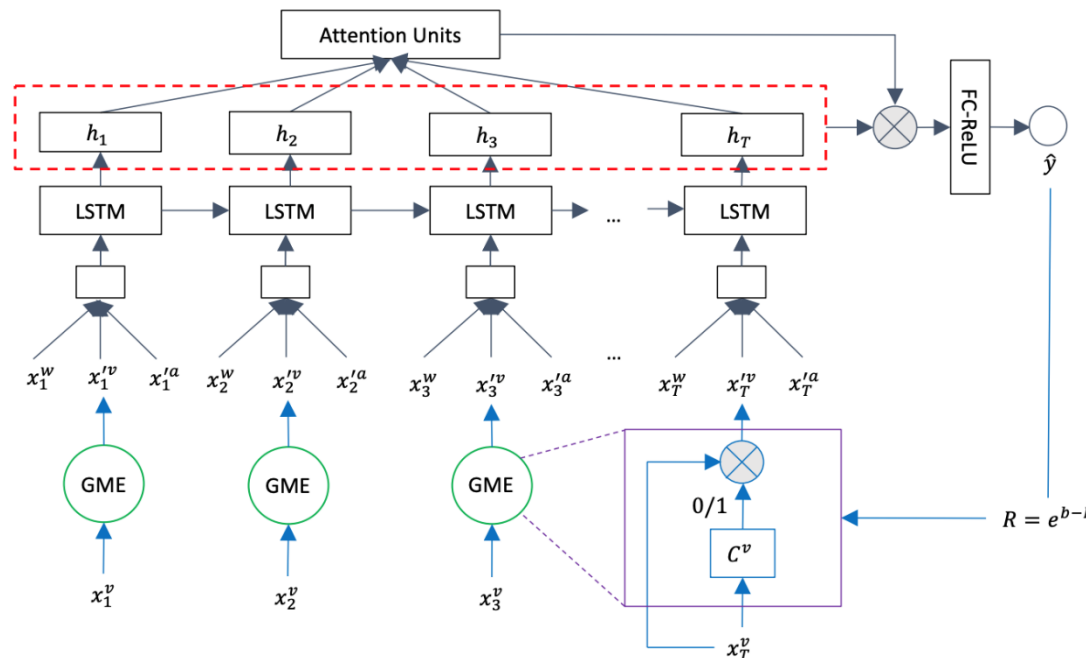
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# Project Example: Word-Level Gated Fusion

## Solution:

- Word-level alignment
- Temporal attention over words
- Gated attention over modalities



**Hypothesis:** attention weights represent contribution of each modality at each time step

**Modality gates** that determine importance and contribution of each modality – trained with reinforcement learning

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# Media Description

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Given a media (image, video, audio-visual clips) provide a free form text description



"man in black shirt is playing guitar."



"construction worker in orange safety vest is working on road."



"two young girls are playing with lego toy."



"boy is doing backflip on wakeboard."



"girl in pink dress is jumping in air."



"black and white dog jumps over bar."



"young girl in pink shirt is swinging on swing."



"man in blue wetsuit is surfing on wave."

# Media Description – One of the First Large-scale Multimodal Dataset

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## Microsoft Common Objects in COntext ([MS COCO](#))

- 120000 images
- Each image is accompanied with five free form sentences describing it (at least 8 words)
- Sentences collected using crowdsourcing (Mechanical Turk)
- Also contains object detections, boundaries and keypoints



The man at bat readies to swing at the pitch while the umpire looks on.



A large bus sitting next to a very tall building.

# Evaluating Caption Generation

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A challenge was done with actual human evaluations of the captions ([CVPR 2015](#))

	M1	↓ M2	M3	M4	M5
Human <sup>[5]</sup>	0.638	0.675	4.836	3.428	0.352
Google <sup>[4]</sup>	0.273	0.317	4.107	2.742	0.233
MSR <sup>[8]</sup>	0.268	0.322	4.137	2.662	0.234
Montreal/Toronto <sup>[10]</sup>	0.262	0.272	3.932	2.832	0.197
MSR Captivator <sup>[9]</sup>	0.250	0.301	4.149	2.565	0.233
Berkeley LRCN <sup>[2]</sup>	0.246	0.268	3.924	2.786	0.204
m-RNN <sup>[15]</sup>	0.223	0.252	3.897	2.595	0.202
Nearest Neighbor <sup>[11]</sup>	0.216	0.255	3.801	2.716	0.196

# Evaluating Caption Generation

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Google<sup>[4]</sup>

**CIDEr-D**



**Meteor**

**ROUGE-L**

**BLEU-1**

**BLEU-2**

0.943

0.254

0.53

0.713

0.542

- Have



MSR Captivator<sup>[9]</sup>

0.931

0.248

0.526

0.715

0.543



m-RNN<sup>[15]</sup>

0.917

0.242

0.521

0.716

0.545



MSR<sup>[8]</sup>

0.912

0.247

0.519

0.695

0.526



Nearest Neighbor<sup>[11]</sup>

0.886

0.237

0.507

0.697

0.521

m-RNN (Baidu/ UCLA)<sup>[16]</sup>

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Berkeley LRCN<sup>[2]</sup>

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Human<sup>[5]</sup>

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# Video captioning

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**AD:** Abby gets in the basket.



Mike leans over and sees how high they are.



Abby clasps her hands around his face and kisses him passionately.

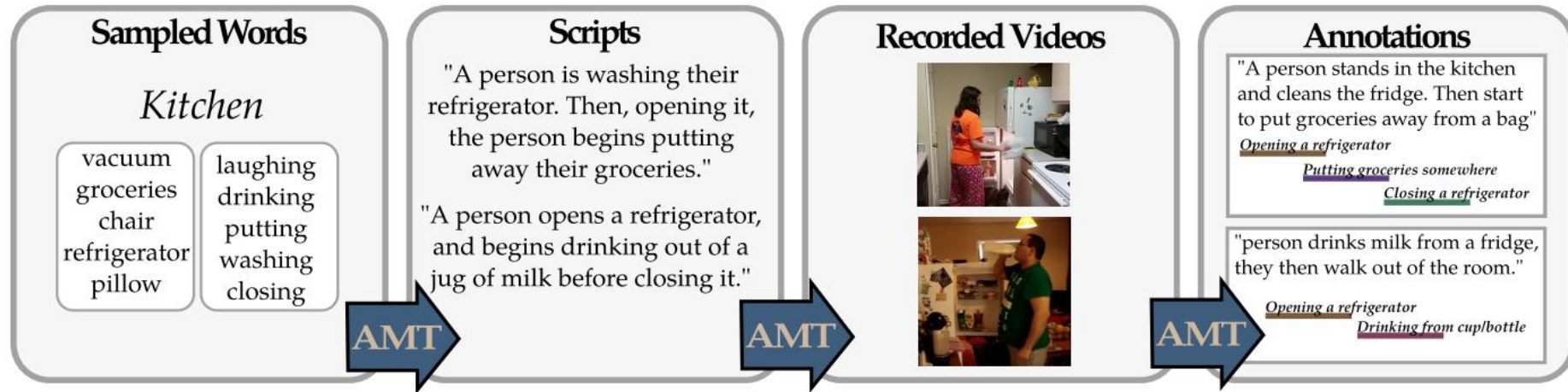
Based on audio descriptions for the blind (Descriptive Video Service – DVS)

- Alignment is a challenge since description can happen after the video segment
- Only one single caption per clip – Challenge with evaluation



# Video Description and Alignment

Let's ask MTurk users to "act" the description!



Charade Dataset: <http://allenai.org/plato/charades/>

First author was student in first edition of MMML course!



# How to Address the Challenge of Evaluation?

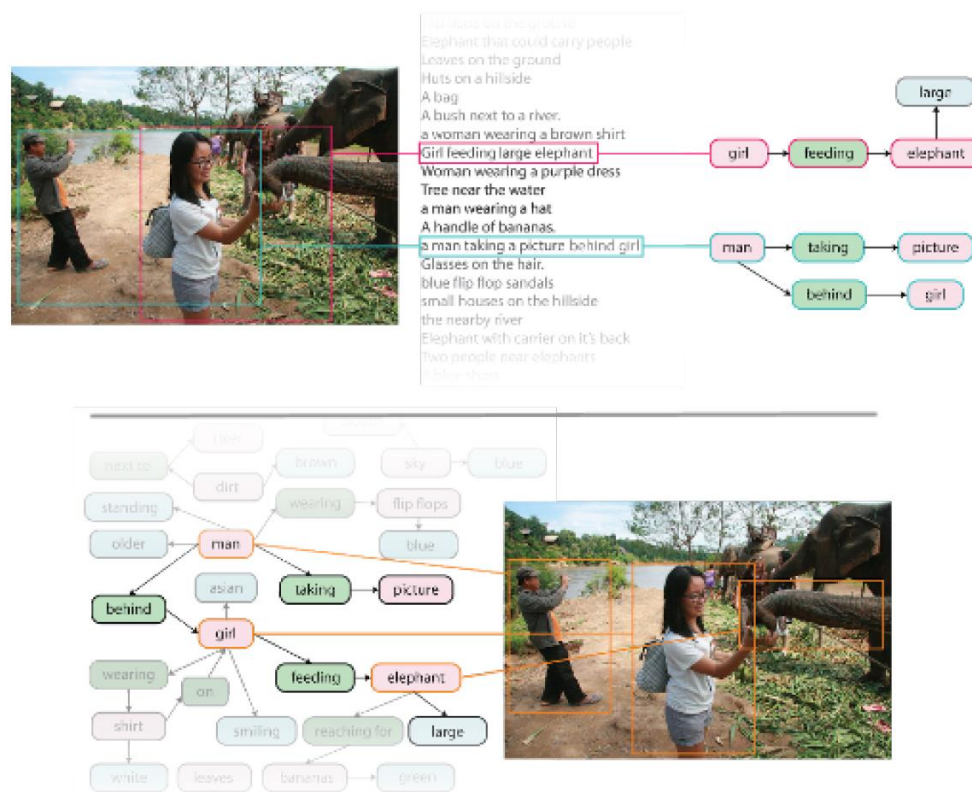
Referring Expressions: Generate / Comprehend a noun phrase which identifies a particular object in an image

RefClef	RefCOCO	RefCOCO+
		
right rocks rocks along the right side stone right side of stairs	woman on right in white shirt woman on right right woman	guy in yellow dirbbling ball yellow shirt and black shorts yellow shirt in focus

This is related to “grounding” which links linguistic elements to the shared environment (in this case, it’s an image)

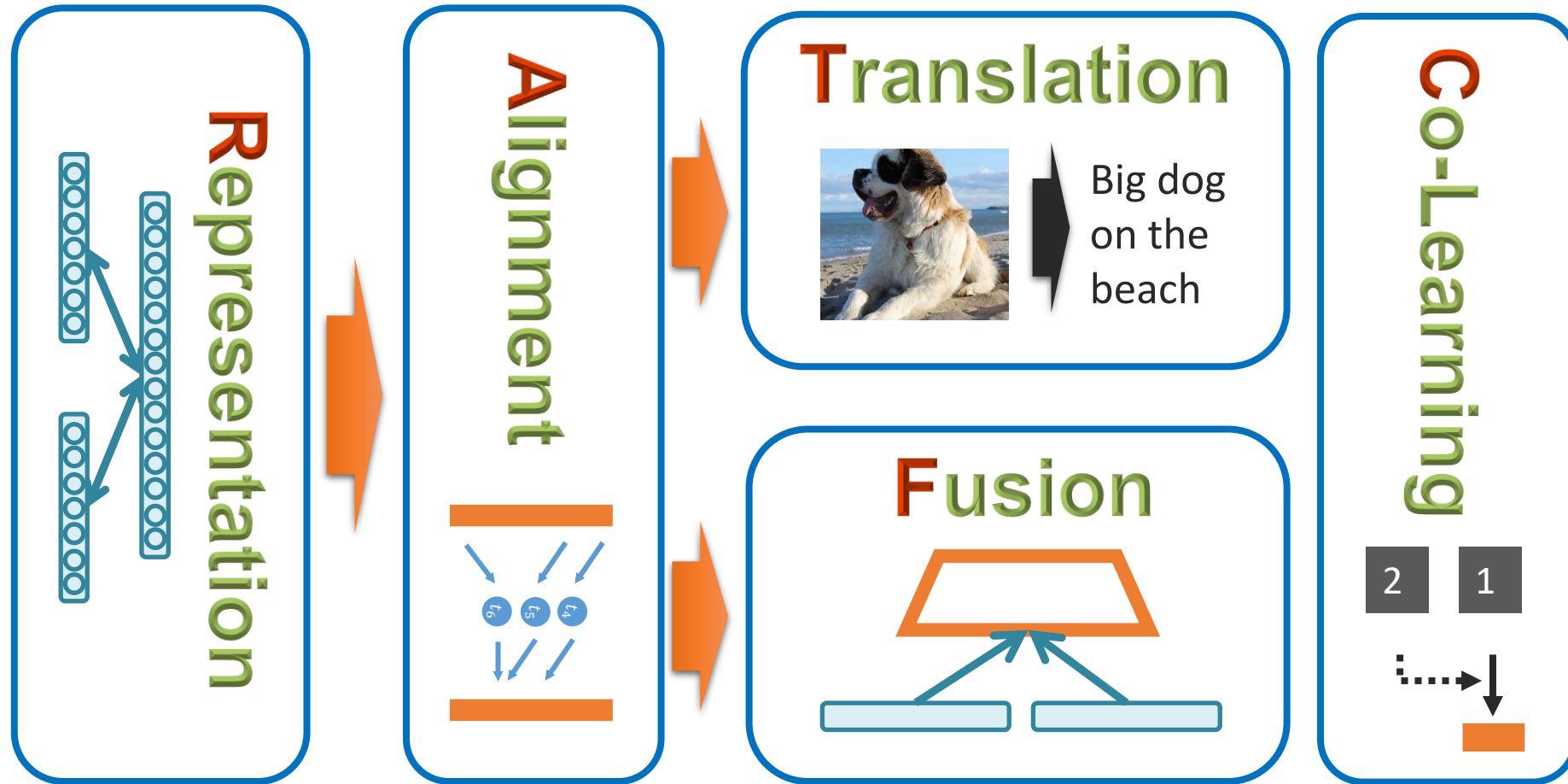
# Large-Scale Description and Grounding Dataset

## Visual Genome Dataset



<https://visualgenome.org/>

# What are the Core Challenges Most Involved in Media Description?



# Multimodal QA

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# Visual Questions & Answers

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Task - Given an image and a question, answer the question  
(<http://www.visualqa.org/>)



What color are her eyes?  
What is the mustache made of?



How many slices of pizza are there?  
Is this a vegetarian pizza?



Is this person expecting company?  
What is just under the tree?



Does it appear to be rainy?  
Does this person have 20/20 vision?

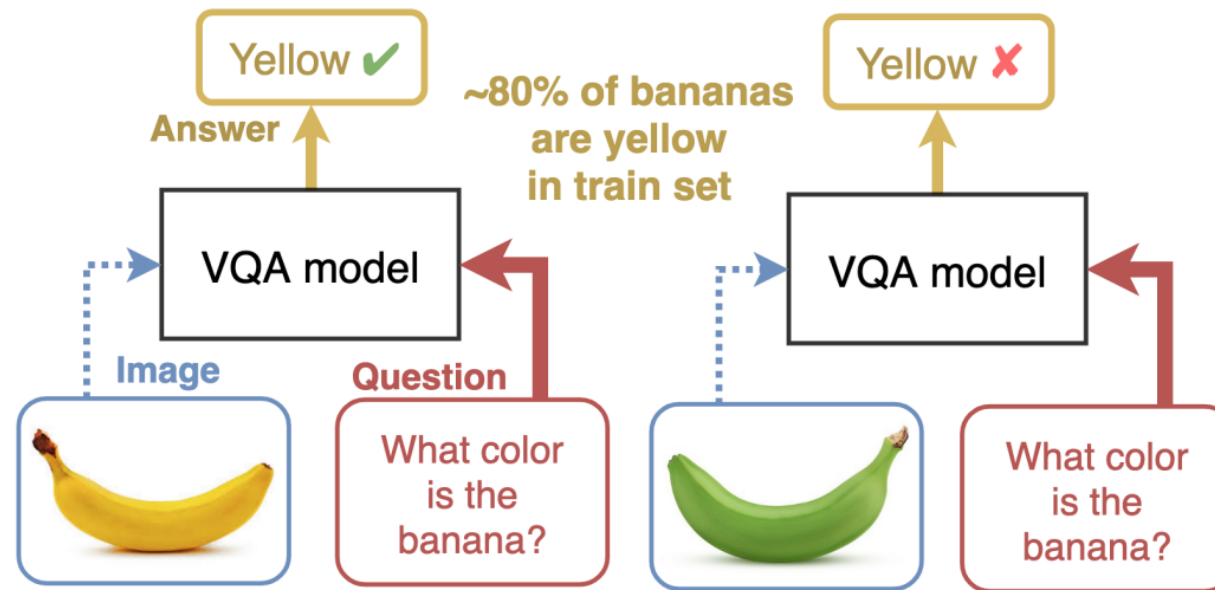
# Be Aware of Potential Dataset Biases!!

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**Dataset bias:** just guessing without an image lead to ~51% accuracy

- So the V in VQA “only” adds 14% increase in accuracy

**VQA models answer the question without looking at the image**





# VQA 2.0

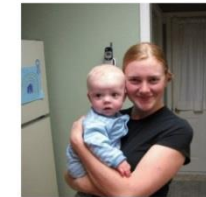
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- Just guessing without an image lead to ~51% accuracy
  - So the V in VQA “only” adds 14% increase in accuracy
- [VQA v2.0](#) is attempting to address this

Who is wearing glasses?  
man woman



Where is the child sitting?  
fridge arms



Is the umbrella upside down?  
yes no



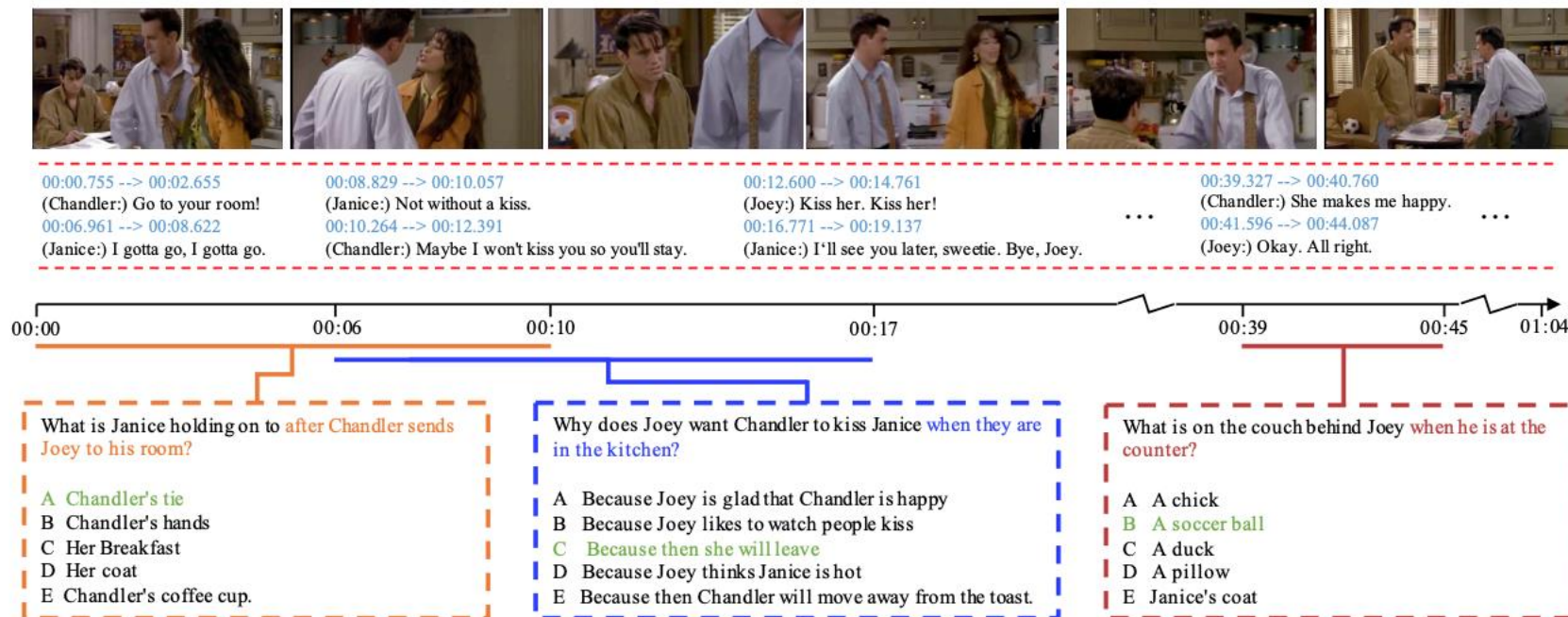
How many children are in the bed?  
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# Multimodal QA – other VQA datasets

## ■ TVQA

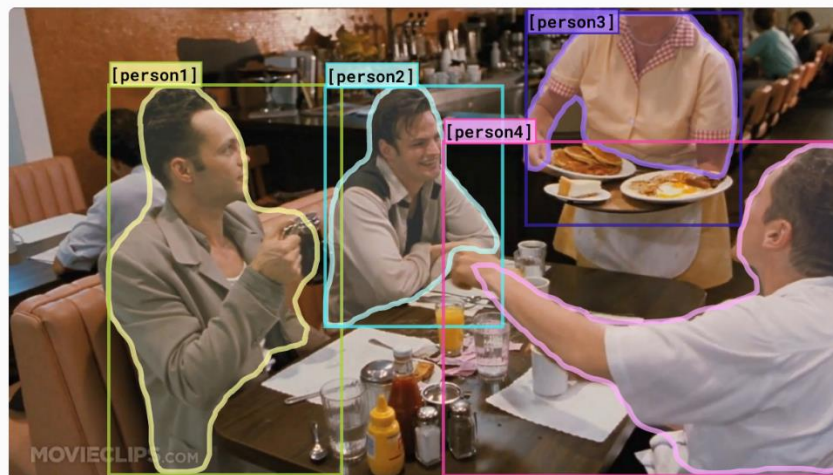
- Video QA dataset based on 6 popular TV shows
- 152.5K QA pairs from 21.8K clips
- Compositional questions





# Multimodal QA – Visual Reasoning

- VCR: Visual Commonsense Reasoning
  - Model must answer challenging visual questions expressed in language
  - And provide a **rationale** explaining why its answer is true.



hide all

show all

[person1]

[person2]

[person3]

[person4]

more objects »

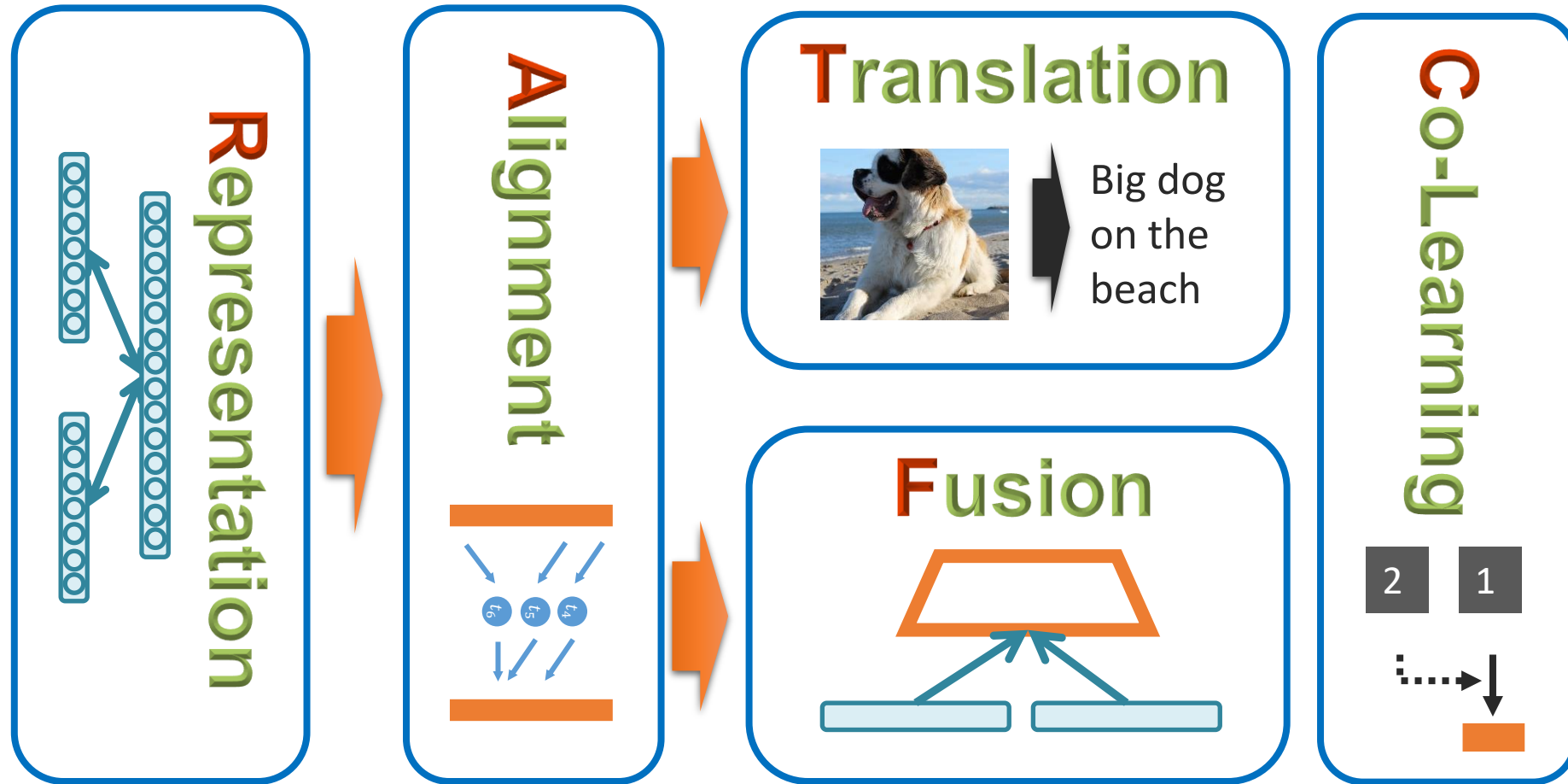
Why is [person4] pointing at [person1]?

- a) He is telling [person3] that [person1] ordered the pancakes.
- b) He just told a joke.
- c) He is feeling accusatory towards [person1].
- d) He is giving [person1] directions.

Rationale: I think so because...

- a) [person1] has the pancakes in front of him.
- b) [person4] is taking everyone's order and asked for clarification.
- c) [person3] is looking at the pancakes both she and [person2] are smiling slightly.
- d) [person3] is delivering food to the table, and she might not know whose order is whose.

# What are the Core Challenges Most Involved in Multimodal QA?



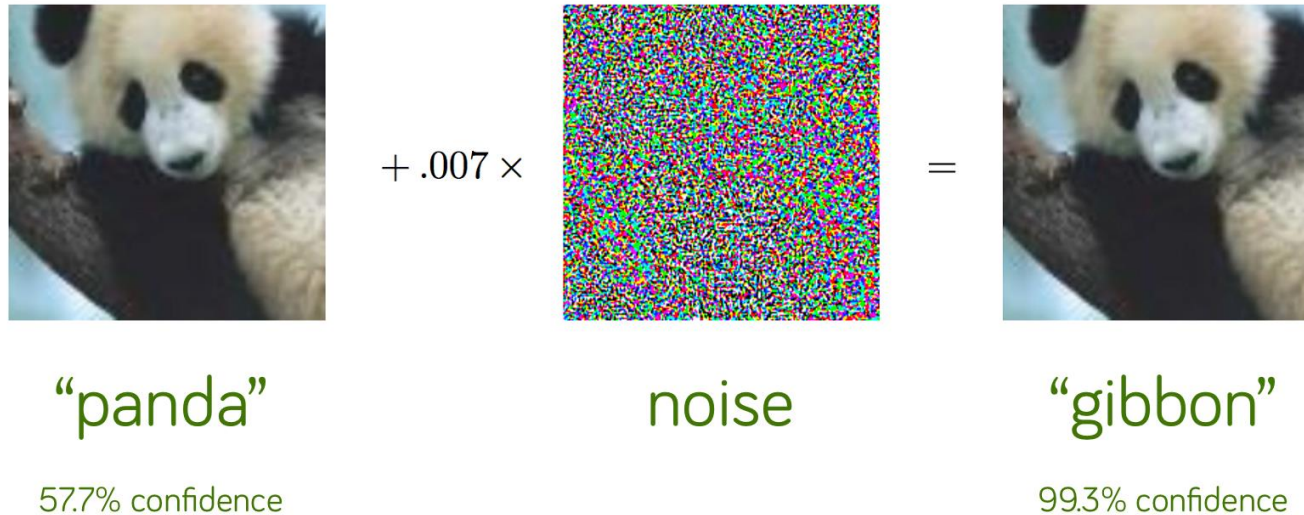
# Project Example: Adversarial Attacks on VQA models

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**Research task:** Adversarial Attacks on VQA models

**Datasets:** VQA

**Main idea:** Test the robustness of VQA models to adversarial attacks on the image.



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# Project Example: Adversarial Attacks on VQA models

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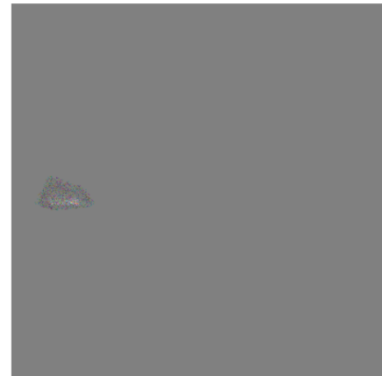
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Q: what kind of flowers are in the vase?



VQA model



A: **Roses** to **Sunflower**

How can we design a targeted attack on images in VQA models, which will help in assessing robustness of existing models?

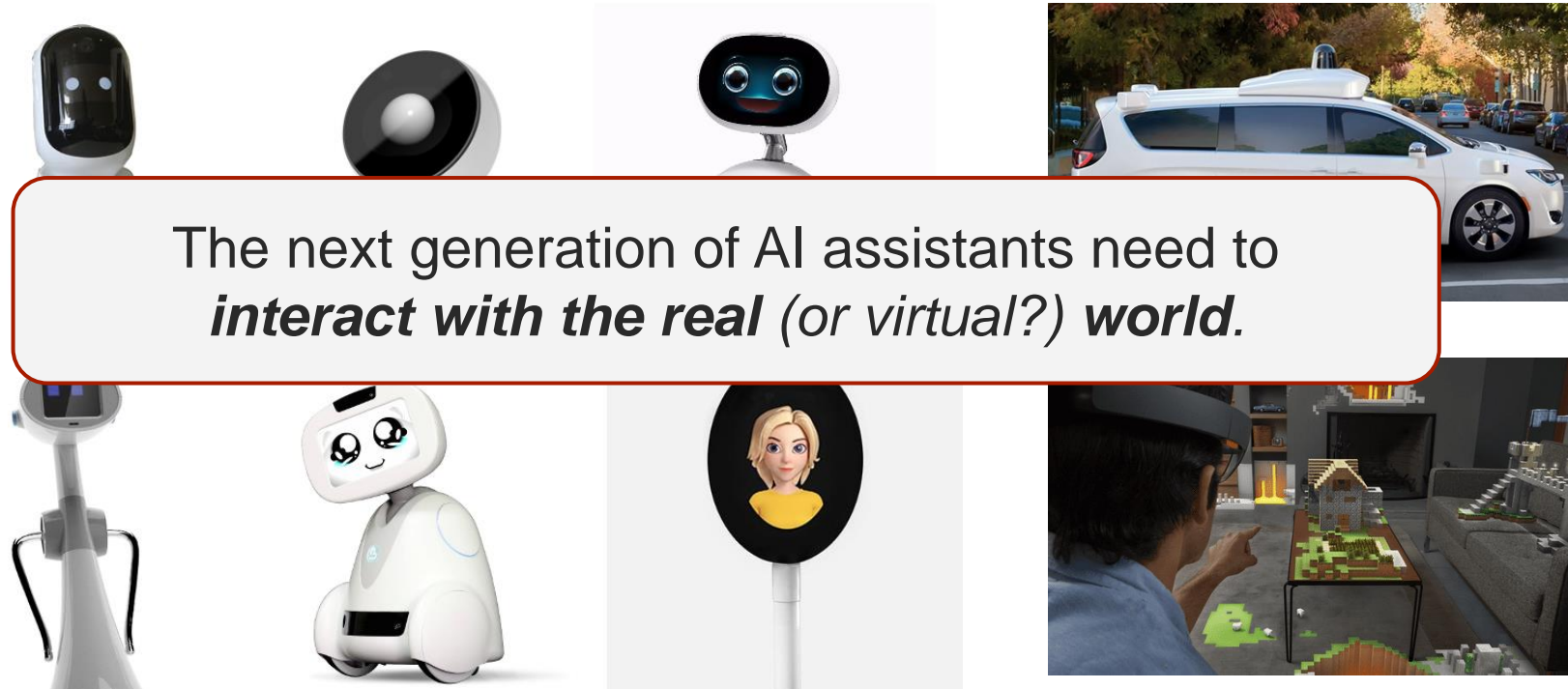
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# Multimodal Navigation

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# Embedded Assistive Agents

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# Language, Vision and Actions

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User: **Go** to the **entrance** of the **lounge area**.



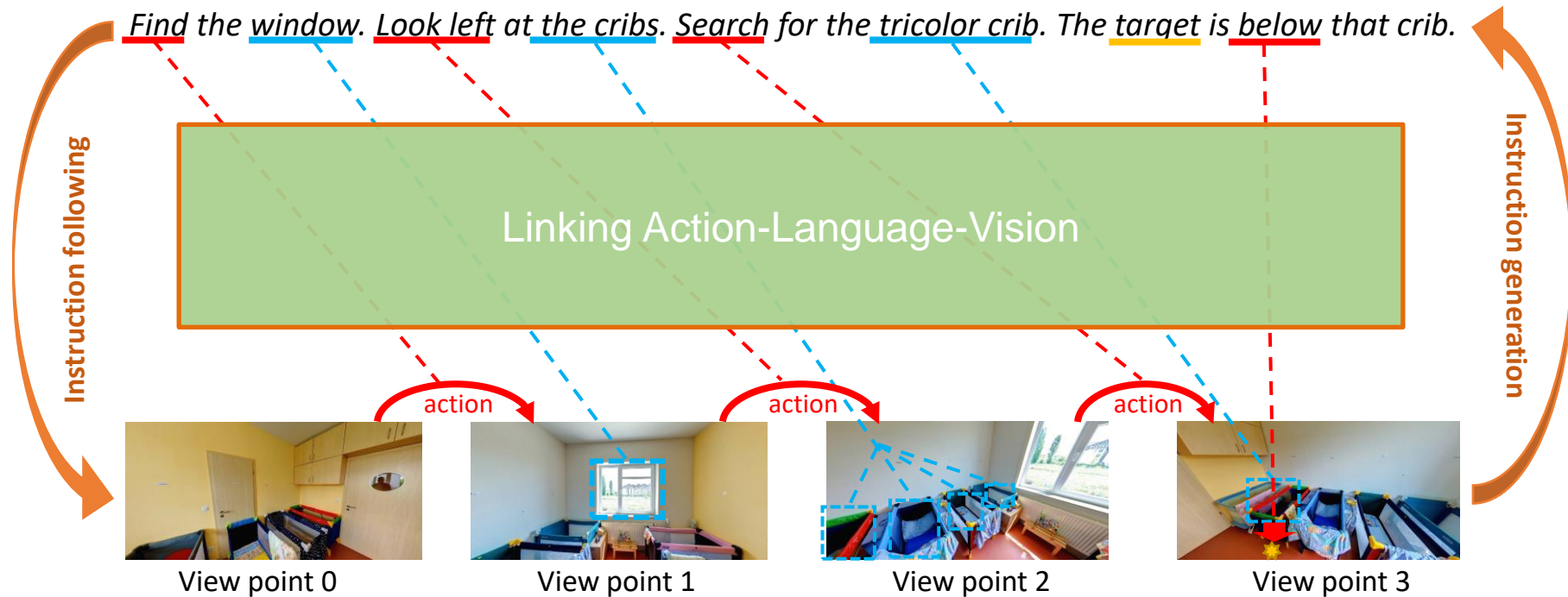
Robot: Sure. I think I'm **there**. What else?

User: **On your right** there will be **a bar**. **On top** of the **counter**, you will see **a box**. **Bring** me **that**.

# Many Technical Challenges

## Instruction:

*Find the window. Look left at the cribs. Search for the tricolor crib. The target is below that crib.*





# Navigating in a Virtual House

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Visually-grounded natural language navigation in real buildings

- [Room-2-Room](#): 21,567 open vocabulary, crowd-sourced navigation instructions



**Instruction:** Head upstairs and walk past the piano through an archway directly in front. Turn right when the hallway ends at pictures and table. Wait by the moose antlers hanging on the wall.

# Multiple Step Instructions

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## Refer360 Dataset

### Step1

place the door leading outside to center.

### Step2

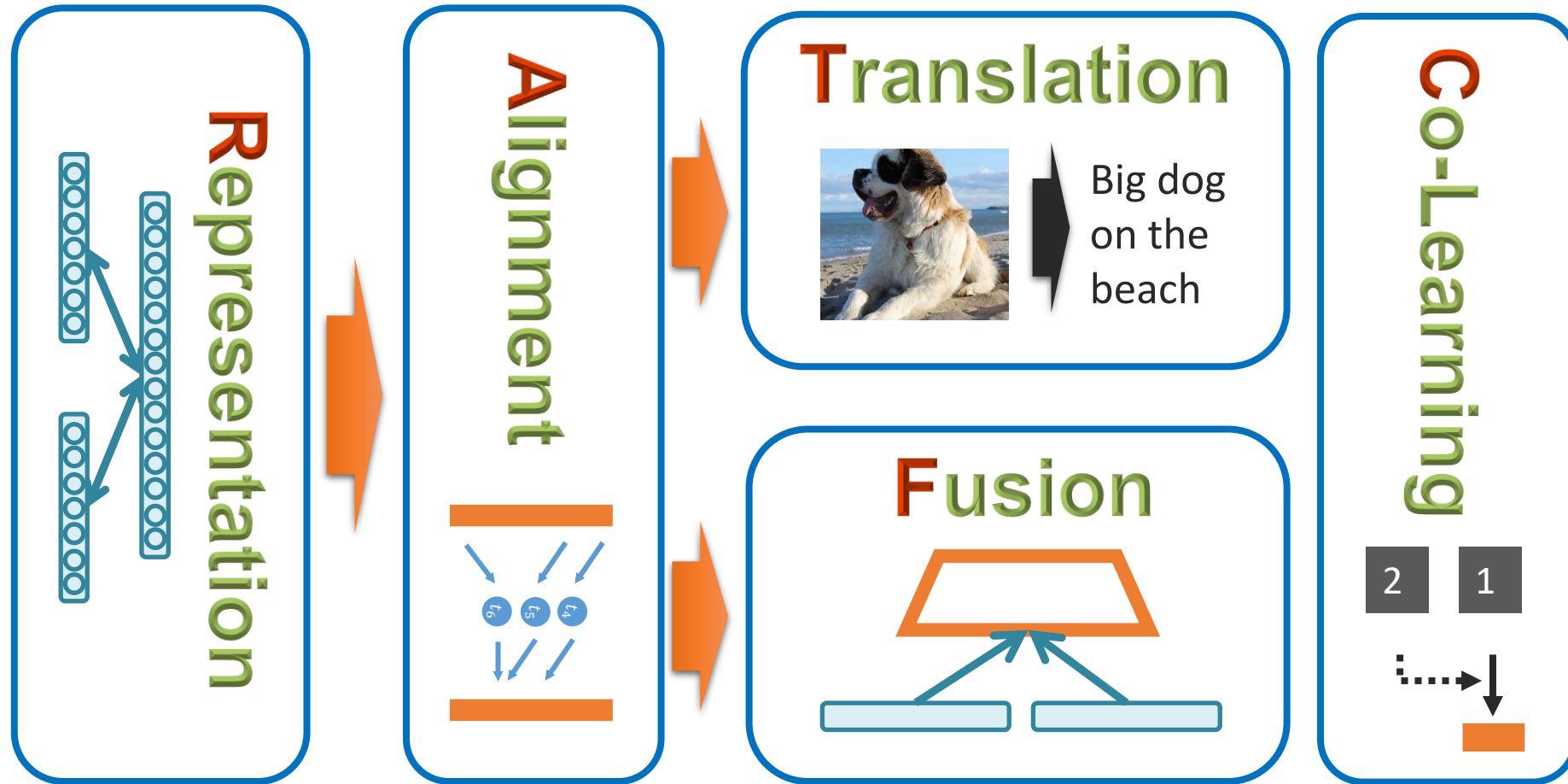
notice the silver and black coffee pot closest to you on the bar. see the black trash bin on the floor in front of the coffee pot

### Step3

waldo is on the face of the trash bin about 1 foot off the floor and also slightly on the brown wood



# What are the Core Challenges Most Involved in Multimodal Navigation?



# Project Example: Instruction Following

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**Research task:** Task-Oriented Language Grounding in an Environment

**Datasets:** ViZDoom, based on the Doom video game

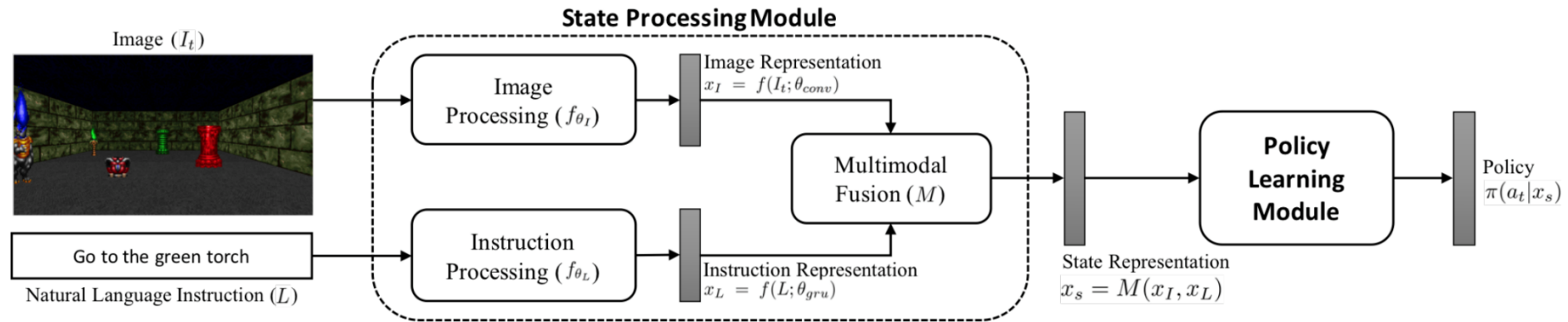
**Main idea:** Build a model that comprehends natural language instructions, grounds the entities and relations to the environment, and execute the instruction.



Devendra Singh Chaplot, Kanthashree Mysore Sathyendra, Rama Kumar Pasumarthi, Dheeraj Rajagopal, Ruslan Salakhutdinov,  
Gated-Attention Architectures for Task-Oriented Language Grounding. AAAI 2018 <https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.07230>

# Project Example: Instruction Following

**Solution:** Gated attention architecture to attend to instruction and states



**Hypothesis:** Gated attention learns to ground and compose attributes in natural language with the image features. e.g. learning grounded representations for 'green' and 'torch'.

Devendra Singh Chaplot, Kanthashree Mysore Sathyendra, Rama Kumar Pasumarthi, Dheeraj Rajagopal, Ruslan Salakhutdinov,  
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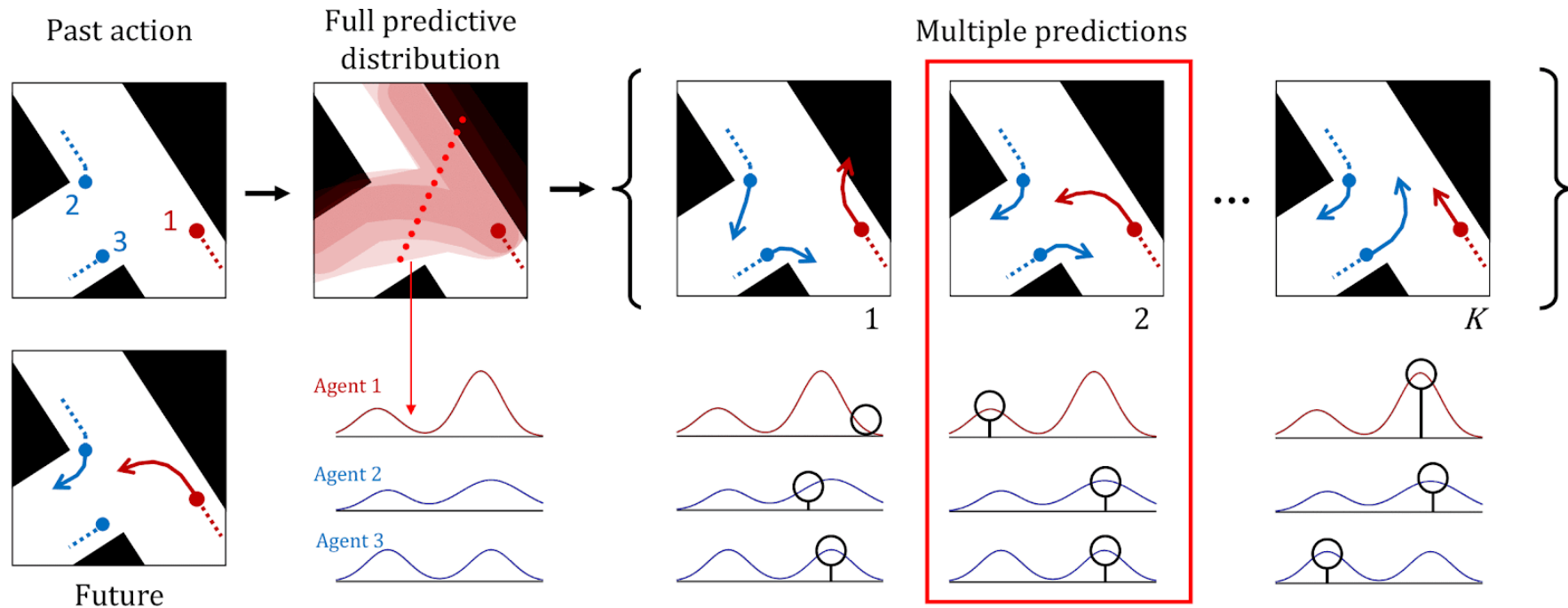


# Project Example: Multiagent Trajectory Forecasting

**Research task:** Multiagent trajectory forecasting for autonomous driving

**Datasets:** Argoverse and Nuscenes autonomous driving datasets

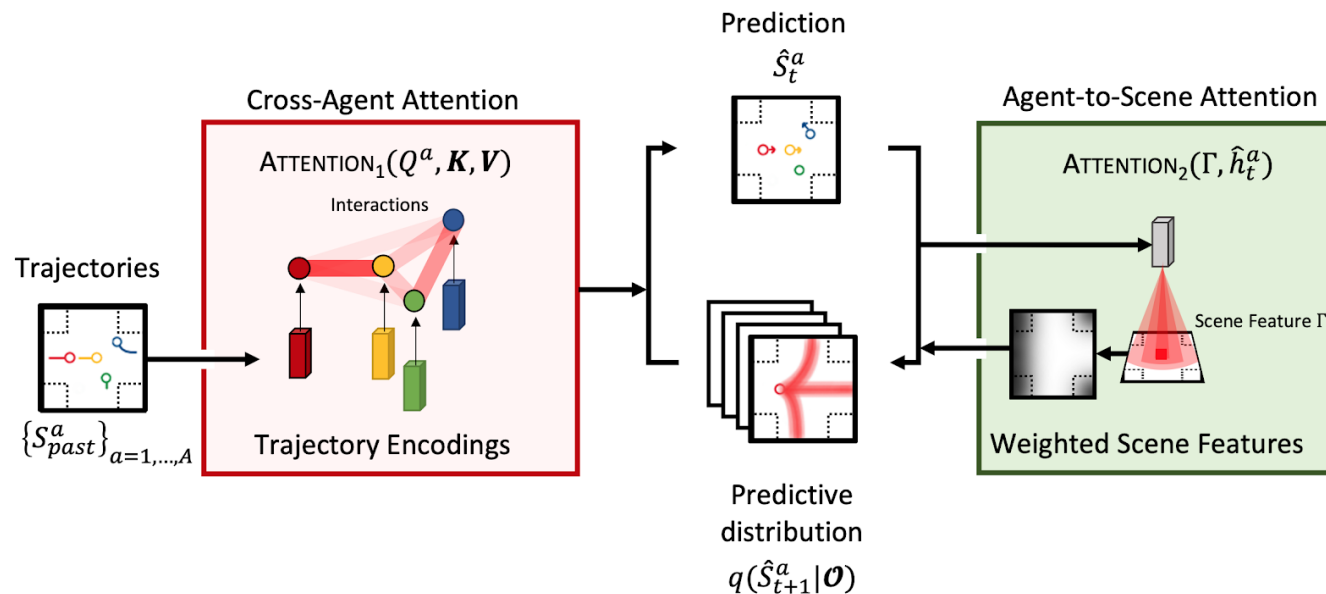
**Main idea:** Build a model that understands the environment and multiagent trajectories and predicts a set of multimodal future trajectories for each agent.



Seong Hyeon Park, Gyubok Lee, Manoj Bhat, Jimin Seo, Minseok Kang, Jonathan Francis, Ashwin R. Jadhav, Paul Pu Liang, Louis-Philippe Morency, Diverse and Admissible Trajectory Forecasting through Multimodal Context Understanding. ECCV 2020 <https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.07230>

# Project Example: Multiagent Trajectory Forecasting

**Solution:** Modeling the environment and multiple agents to learn a distribution of future trajectories for each agent.



**Hypothesis:** both agent-agent interactions and agent-scene interactions are important!

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# **Dataset List, Advice and Support**

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# Our Latest List of Multimodal Datasets

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## A. Affect Recognition

AFEW	A1
AVEC	A2
IEMOCAP	A3
POM	A4
MOSI	A5
CMU-MOSEI	A6
TUMBLR	A7
AMHUSE	A8
VGD	A9
Social-IQ	A10
MELD	A11
MUStARD	A12
DEAP	A14
MAHNOB	A15
Continuous LIRIS-ACCEDE	A16
DECAF	A17
ASCERTAIN	A18
AMIGOS	A19

## B. Media Description

MSCOCO	B1
MPII	B2
MONTREAL	B3
LSMDC	B4
CHARADES	B5
REFEXP	B6
GUESSWHAT	B7
FLICKR30K	B8
CSI	B9
MVSQ	B10
NeuralWalker	B11
Visual Relation	B12
Visual Genome	B13
Pinterest	B14
Movie Graph	B15
Nocaps	B16
CrossTalk	B17
Refer360	B18

# Our Latest List of Multimodal Datasets

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## C. Multimodal QA

VQA	C1
DAQUAR	C2
COCO-QA	C3
MADLIBS	C4
TEXTBOOK	C5
VISUAL7W	C6
TVQA	C7
VCR	C8
Cornell NLVR	C9
CLEVR	C10
EQA	C11
TextVQA	C12
GQA	C13
CompGuessWhat	C14

## D. Multimodal Navigation

Room-2-Room	D1
RERERE	D2
VNLA	D3
nuScenese	D4
Waymo	D5
CARLA	D6
Argoverse	D7
ALFRED	D8

# Our Latest List of Multimodal Datasets

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## E. Multimodal Dialog

VISDIAL	E1
Talk the Walk	E2
Vision-and-Dialog Navigation	E3
CLEVR-Dialog	E4
Fashion Retrieval	E5

## F. Event Detection

WHATS-COOKING	F1
TACOS	F2
TACOS-MULTI	F3
YOU-COOK	F4
MED	F5
TITLE-VIDEO-SUMM	F6
MEDIA-EVAL	F7
CRISMMMD	F8

## G. Cross-media Retrieval

IKEA	G1
MIRFLICKR	G2
NUS-WIDE	G3
YAHOO-FLICKR	G4
YOUTUBE-8M	G5
YOUTUBE-BOUNDING	G6
YOUTUBE-OPEN	G7
VIST	G8
Recipe1M+	G9
VATEX	G10

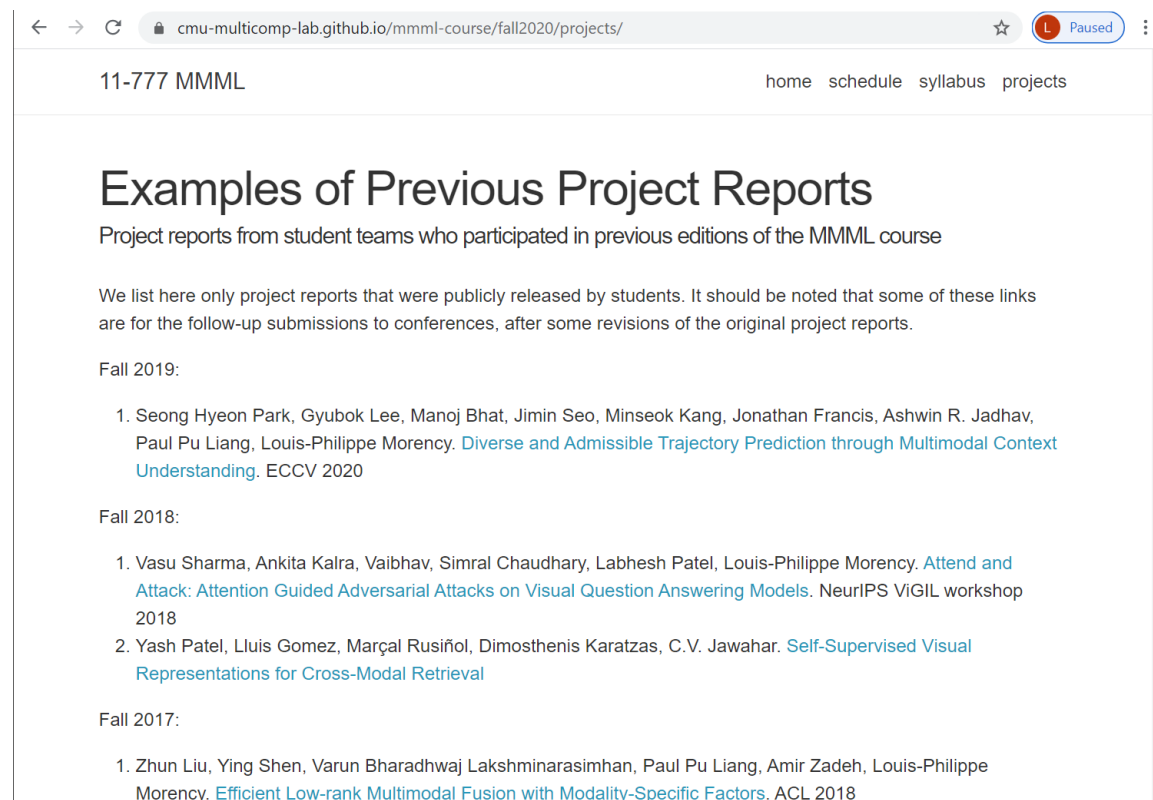
... and please let us know (via Piazza) when you find more!

# More Project Examples

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See the last year course website:

<https://cmu-multicomp-lab.github.io/mmml-course/fall2020/projects/>



# Some Advice About Multimodal Research

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- Think more about the research problems, and less about the datasets themselves
  - Aim for generalizable models across several datasets
  - Aim for models inspired by existing research e.g. psychology
- Some areas to consider beyond performance:
  - Robustness to missing/noisy modalities, adversarial attacks
  - Studying social biases and creating fairer models
  - Interpretable models
  - Faster models for training/storage/inference
- Theoretical projects are welcome too – make sure there are also experiments to validate theory

## Some Advice About Multimodal Datasets

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- If you are used to deal with text or speech
  - Space will become an issue working with image/video data
  - Some datasets are in 100s of GB (compressed)
- Memory for processing it will become an issue as well
  - Won't be able to store it all in memory
- Time to extract features and train algorithms will also become an issue
- Plan accordingly!
  - Sometimes tricky to experiment on a laptop (might need to do it on a subset of data)

## Available Tools

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- Use available tools in your research groups
  - Or pair up with someone that has access to them
- Find some GPUs!
- We will be getting AWS credit for some extra computational power
- Google Cloud Platform credit as well





# Upcoming Course Assignments

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## **Project preferences** (deadline Tuesday 9/7 at 8pm ET)

- Let us know about your project preferences, including datasets, research topics and potential teammates
  - See instructions on [Piazza](#)
- We will reserve a moment for discussions on Thursday 9/9 to help you with finding project teammates

## **Reading Assignment** (Summaries due Friday 9/10 at 8pm ET)

- We created the study groups in Piazza.
  - End of the discussion period: Monday 9/13 at 8pm ET

## **Lecture Highlights** (for both lectures next week)

- Starting next week, you need to post your lecture highlights following each course lecture. See Piazza for detailed instructions.

**END**  
**of Today's Lecture**

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# Appendix: List of Multimodal datasets

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# Affect recognition dataset 1 (A1)

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- [AFEW](#) – Acted Facial Expressions in the Wild (part of EmotiW Challenge)
- Audio-Visual emotion labels – acted emotion clips from movies
  - 1400 video sequences of about 330 subjects
- Labelled for six basic emotions + neutral
- Movies are known, can extract the subtitles/script of the scenes
- Part of [EmotiW](#) challenge



# Affect recognition dataset 2 (A2)

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- Three AVEC challenge datasets 2011/2012, 2013/2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
- Audio-Visual emotion recognition
- Labeled for dimensional emotion (per frame)
- 2011/2012 has transcripts
- 2013/2014/2016 also includes depression labels per subject
- 2013/2014 reading specific text in a subset of videos
- 2015/2016 includes physiological data
- 2017/2018 includes depression/bipolar



[AVEC 2011/2012](#)



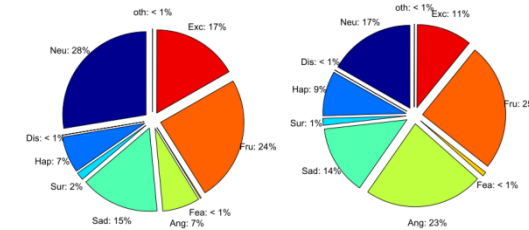
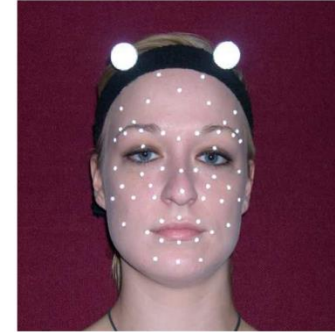
[AVEC 2013/2014](#)



[AVEC 2015/2016](#)

# Affect recognition dataset 3 (A3)

- The Interactive Emotional Dyadic Motion Capture ([IEMOCAP](#))
- 12 hours of data, but only 10 participants
- Video, speech, motion capture of face, text transcriptions
- Dyadic sessions where actors perform improvisations or scripted scenarios
- Categorical labels (6 basic emotions plus excitement, frustration) as well as dimensional labels (valence, activation and dominance)
- Focus is on speech



# Affect recognition dataset 4 (A4)

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- Persuasive Opinion Multimedia ([POM](#))
- 1,000 online movie review videos
- A number of speaker traits/attributes labeled – confidence, credibility, passion, persuasion, big 5...
- Video, audio and text
- Good quality audio and video recordings



Positive opinions  
(5-star ratings)



Negative opinions  
(1- or 2-star ratings)



# Affect recognition dataset 5 (A5)

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- Multimodal Corpus of Sentiment Intensity and Subjectivity Analysis in Online Opinion Videos ([MOSI](#))
- 89 speakers with 2199 opinion segments
- Audio-visual data with transcriptions
- Labels for sentiment/opinion
  - Subjective vs objective
  - Positive vs negative



# Affect Recognition: CMU-MOSEI (A6)

- Multimodal sentiment and emotion recognition
- [CMU-MOSEI](#) : 23,453 annotated video segments from 1,000 distinct speakers and 250 topics

*And he I don't think he got mad when hah  
I don't know maybe.*

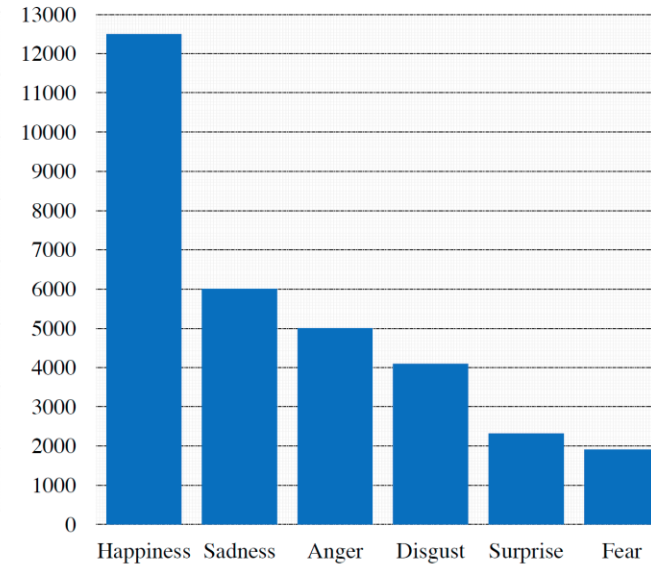
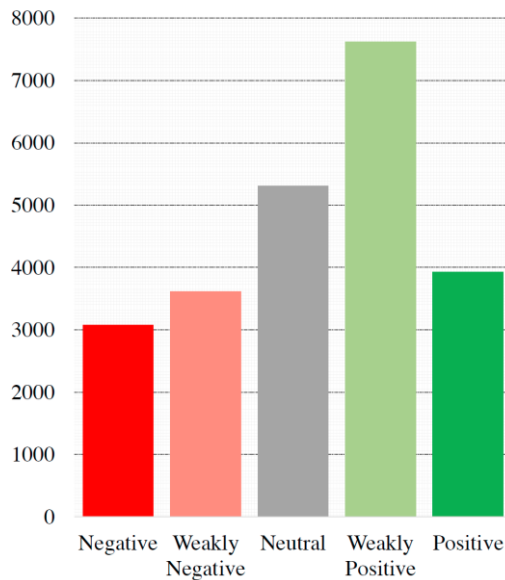


(frustrated voice)

*All I can say is he's a pretty average guy.*



(disappointed voice)



# Tumblr Dataset: Sentiment and Emotion Analysis (A7)

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- [Tumblr Dataset](#) – Tumblr posts with images and emotion word tags.
- 256,897 posts with images.
- Labels obtained from 15 categories of emotion word tags.
- Dataset not directly available but code for collecting the dataset is provided.



Figure 1: Optimistic: “This reminds me that it doesn’t matter how bad or sad do you feel, always the sun will come out.”  
Source: travelingpilot [42]



Figure 2: Happy: “Just relax with this amazing view (at McWay Falls)” Source: fordosjulius [37]

# AMHUSE Dataset: Multimodal Humor Sensing (A8)

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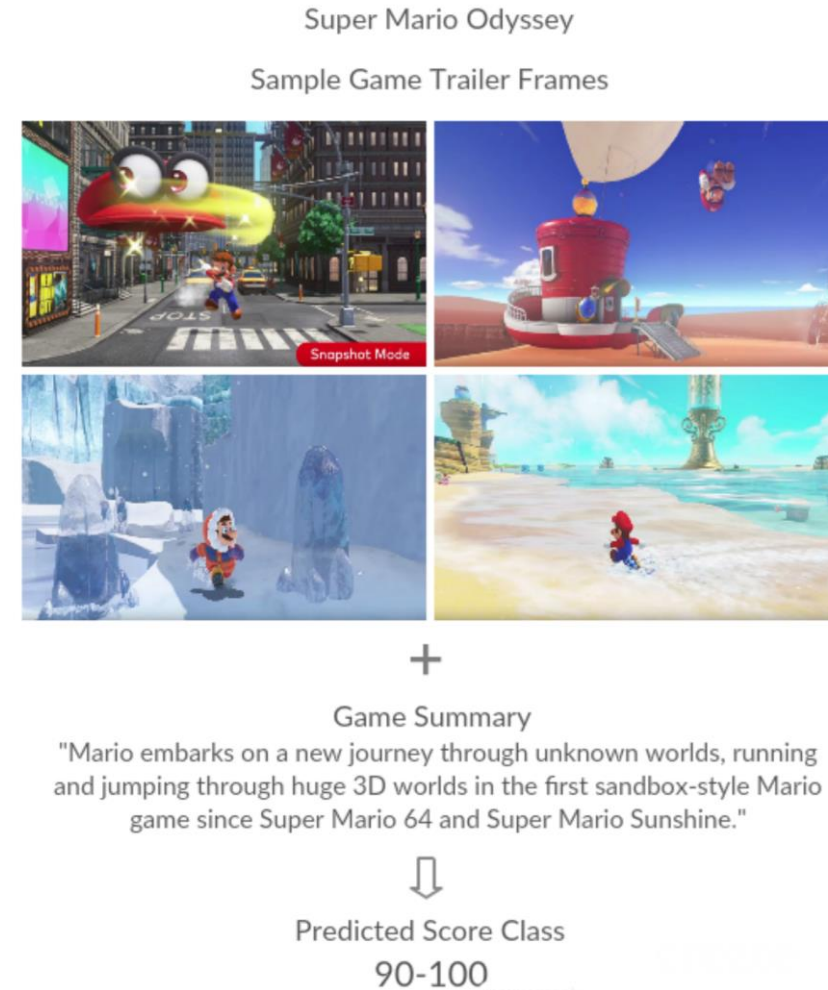
- [AMHUSE](#) – Multimodal humor sensing.
- Include various modalities:
  - Video from RGB-d camera, **but no audio/language**
  - Sensory data: blood volume pulse, electrodermal activity, etc.
- Time series of 36 recipients during 4 different stimuli.
- Continuous annotations of arousal, dominance throughout each time series. Case-level annotation of level of pleasure is also available.



# Video Game Dataset: Multimodal Game Rating (A9)

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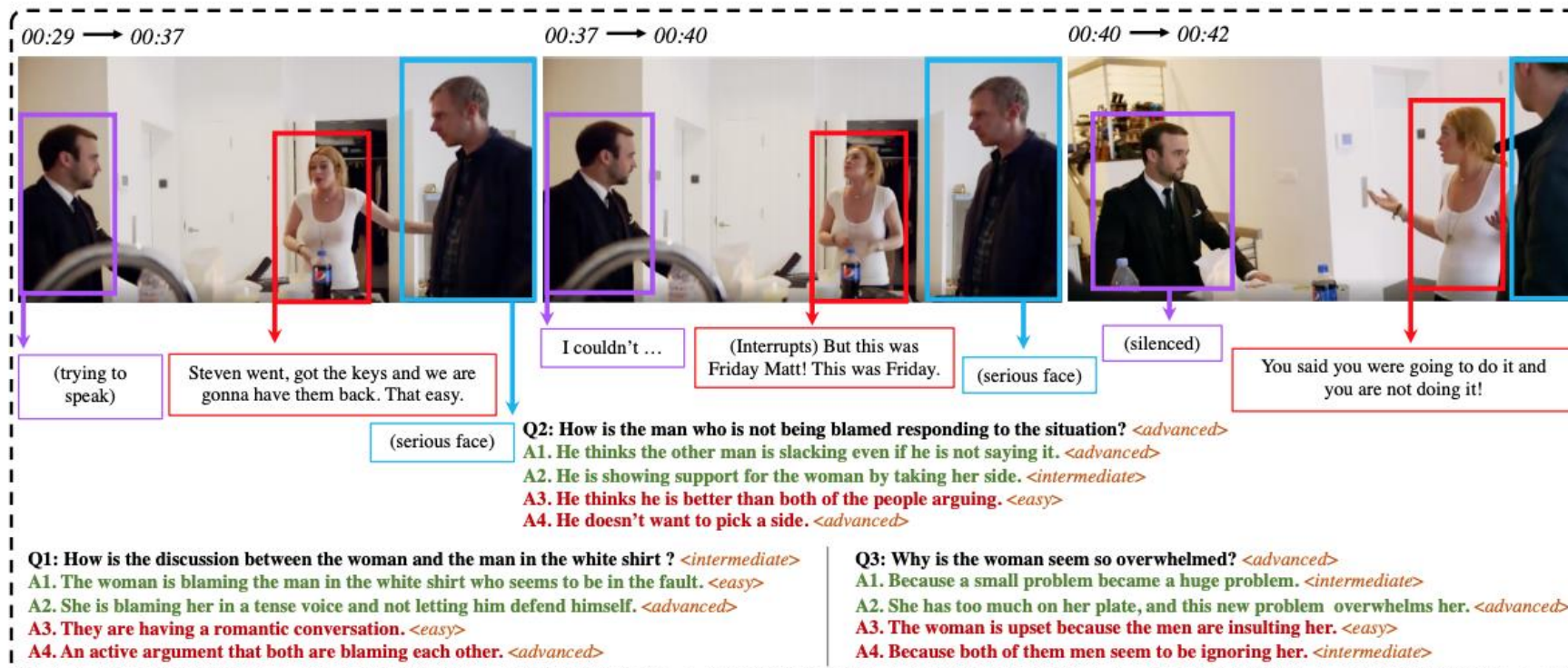
- [VGD](#) – Video Game Dataset, game rating based on text and trailer screenshots.
- 1,950 game trailers.
- Labelled for score ranges of the game, based on online critics.





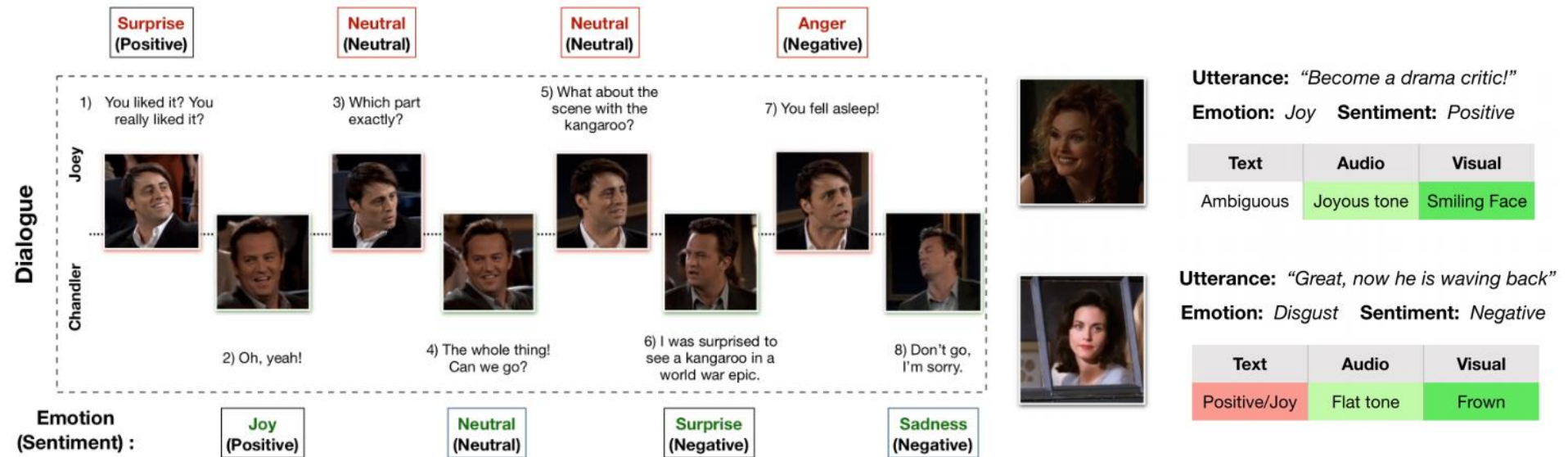
# Social-IQ (A10)

- [Social-IQ](#): 1.2k videos, 7.5k questions, 50k answers
- Questions and answers centered around social behaviors



# MELD (A11)

- [MELD](#): Multi-party dataset for emotion recognition in conversations





# MUStARD (A12)

- MUStARD: Multimodal sarcasm dataset



## Utterance

- 1) **Chandler :**  
Oh my god! You almost gave me a heart attack!

- **Text :** suggests fear or anger.
- **Audio :** animated tone
- **Video :** smirk, no sign of anxiety



- 2) **Sheldon :**  
Its just a *privilege* to watch your mind at work.

- **Text :** suggests a compliment.
- **Audio :** neutral tone.
- **Video :** straight face.



## Utterances

1)



2)



**Chandler :** Yes and we are very excited about it.

**SA\_man:** You got off to a really good start with the group.

## Remarks

- **Text and Video:** positive indication.
- **Audio :** stressed word

## More affect recognition datasets (A13-A18)

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- DEAP (A13)
  - Emotion analysis using EEG, physiological, and video signals
- [MAHNOB](#) (A14)
  - Laughter database
- Continuous [LIRIS-ACCEDE](#) (A15)
  - Induced valence and arousal self-assessments for 30 movies
- [DECAF](#) (A16)
  - MEG + near-infra-red facial videos + ECG + ... signals
- [ASCERTAIN](#) (A17)
  - Personality and affect recognition from physiological sensors
- [AMIGOS](#) (A18)
  - Affect, personality, and mood from neuro-physiological signals
- [EMOTIC](#) (A19)
  - Context Based Emotion Recognition

# Media description dataset 1 – MS COCO (B1)

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- Microsoft Common Objects in COntext ([MS COCO](#))
- 120000 images
- Each image is accompanied with five free form sentences describing it (at least 8 words)
- Sentences collected using crowdsourcing (Mechanical Turk)
- Also contains object detections, boundaries and keypoints



The man at bat readies to swing at the pitch while the umpire looks on.



A large bus sitting next to a very tall building.

## Media description dataset 2 - Video captioning (B2&B3)

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- MP11 Movie Description dataset (B2)
  - [A Dataset for Movie Description](#)
- Montréal Video Annotation dataset (B3)
  - [Using Descriptive Video Services to Create a Large Data Source for Video Annotation Research](#)



**AD:** Abby gets in the basket.



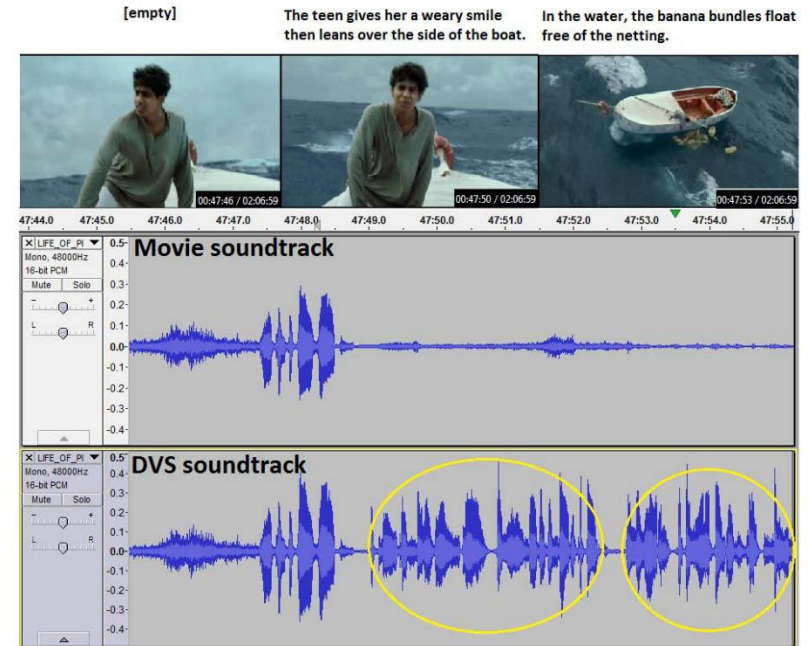
Mike leans over and sees how high they are.



Abby clasps her hands around his face and kisses him passionately.

# Media description dataset 2 - Video captioning (B2&B3)

- Both based on audio descriptions for the blind (Descriptive Video Service - DVS tracks)
- MPII – 70k clips (~4s) with corresponding sentences from 94 movies
- Montréal – 50k clips (~6s) with corresponding sentences from 92 movies
- Not always well aligned
- Quite noisy labels
- Single caption per clip





## Media description dataset 2 - Video captioning (B4)

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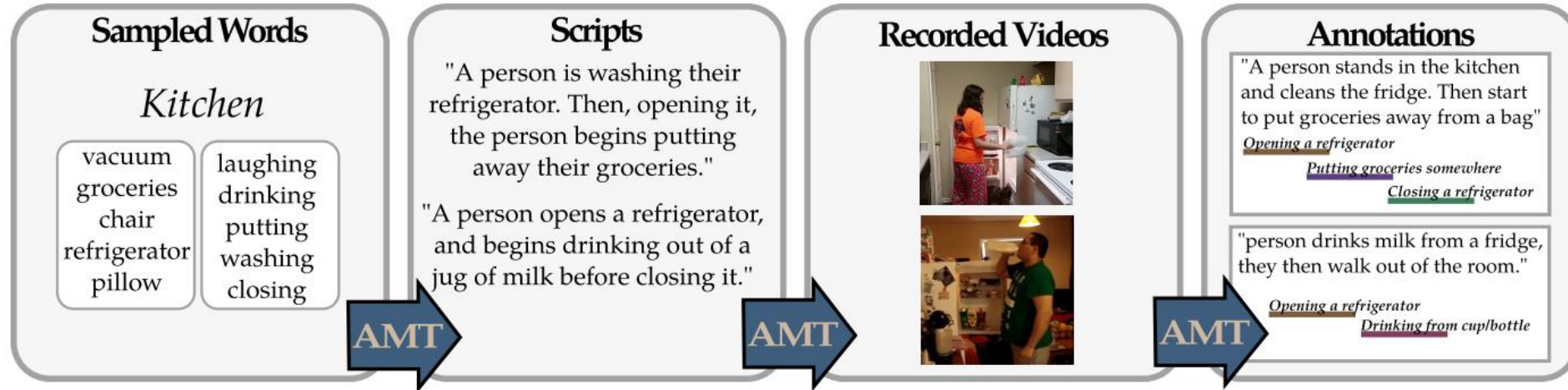
- Large Scale Movie Description and Understanding Challenge ([LSMDC](#)) hosted at [ECCV 2016](#) and [ICCV 2015](#)
- Combines both of the datasets and provides three challenges
  - Movie description
  - Movie annotation and Retrieval
  - Movie Fill-in-the-blank
- Nice challenge, but beware
  - Need a lot of computational power
  - Processing will take space and time



# Charades Dataset – video description dataset (B5)

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- <http://allenai.org/plato/charades/>
- 9848 videos of daily indoors activities
- 267 different users
- Recording videos at home
- Home quality videos





# Media Description – Referring Expression datasets (B6)

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- Referring Expressions:

- Generation (Bounding Box to Text) and Comprehension (Text to Bounding Box)
- Generate / Comprehend a noun phrase which identifies a particular object in an image
- Many datasets!
  - RefClef
  - RefCOCO (+, g)
  - GRef

RefClef	RefCOCO	RefCOCO+
		
right rocks rocks along the right side stone right side of stairs	woman on right in white shirt woman on right right woman	guy in yellow dirbbling ball yellow shirt and black shorts yellow shirt in focus

# Media Description - Referring Expression datasets (B7)

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- GuessWhat?!
  - Cooperative two-player guessing game for language grounding
  - Locate an unknown object in a rich image scene by asking a sequence of questions
  - 821,889 questions+answers
  - 66,537 images and 134,073 objects



## Questioner

Is it a vase?  
Is it partially visible?  
Is it in the left corner?  
Is it the turquoise and purple one?

## Oracle

Yes  
No  
No  
Yes

# Media Description - other datasets (B8)

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## ■ Flickr30k Entities

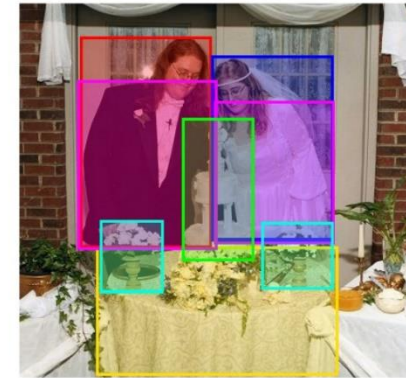
- Region-to-Phrase Correspondences for Richer Image-to-Sentence Models
- 158k captions
- 244k coreference chains
- 276k manually annotated bounding boxes



A man with pierced ears is wearing glasses and an orange hat.  
A man with glasses is wearing a beer can crotched hat.  
A man with gauges and glasses is wearing a Blitz hat.  
A man in an orange hat starring at something.  
A man wears an orange hat and glasses.



During a gay pride parade in an Asian city, some people hold up rainbow flags to show their support.  
A group of youths march down a street waving flags showing a color spectrum.  
Oriental people with rainbow flags walking down a city street.  
A group of people walk down a street waving rainbow flags.  
People are outside waving flags .



A couple in their wedding attire stand behind a table with a wedding cake and flowers.  
A bride and groom are standing in front of their wedding cake at their reception.  
A bride and groom smile as they view their wedding cake at a reception.  
A couple stands behind their wedding cake.  
Man and woman cutting wedding cake.

# CSI Corpus (B9)

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- CSI-Corpus: 39 videos from the U.S. TV show “Crime Scene Investigation Las Vegas”
- Data: Sequence of inputs comprising information from different modalities such as text, video, or audio. The task is to predict for each input whether the perpetrator is mentioned or not.



**Peter Berglund:**

You're still going to have to convince a jury that I killed two **strangers** for no reason.



**Grissom** doesn't look worried.

**He** takes **his** gloves off and puts them on the table.



**Grissom:**

**You** ever been to the theater **Peter**? There 's a play called six degrees of separation.



It 's about how all the people in the world are connected to each other by no more than six people. All it takes to connect **you** to the **victims** is one degree.



Camera holds on **Peter Berglund**'s worried look.

## Other Media Description Datasets (B10-B14)

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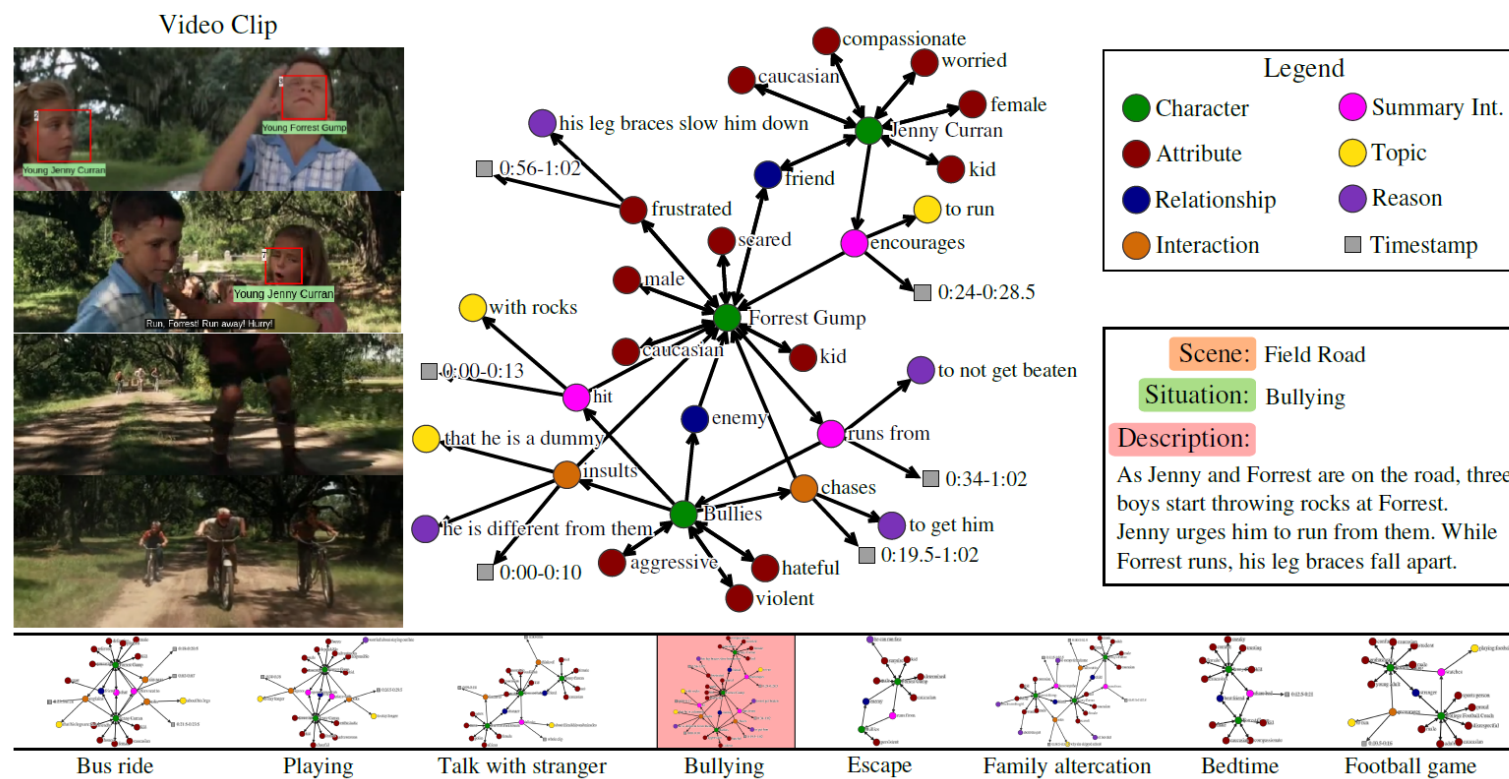
- [MVSO](#) (B10): Multilingual Visual Sentiment Ontology. There are multiple derivatives of this as well
- [NeuralWalker](#) (B11): 'Listen, Attend, and Walk: Neural Mapping of Navigational Instructions to Action Sequences'
- [Visual Relation](#) dataset (B12): learning relations between objects based on language priors.
- [Visual genome](#) (B13) Great resource for many multimodal problems.
- [Pinterest](#) (B14): Contains 300 million sentences describing over 40 million 'pins'
- [nocaps](#) (B16): novel object captioning at scale
- [CrossTask](#) (B17): procedure annotations in videos
- [Refer360°](#) (B18): Referring Expression Recognition in 360° Images





# MovieGraph dataset (B15)

- <http://moviegraphs.cs.toronto.edu/>



# Media description technical challenges

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- What technical problems could be addressed?
  - Translation
  - Representation
  - Alignment
  - Co-training/transfer learning
  - Fusion



The man at bat readies to swing at the pitch while the umpire looks on.



A large bus sitting next to a very tall building.



AD: Abby gets in the basket.



Mike leans over and sees how high they are.



Abby clasps her hands around his face and kisses him passionately.



# Multimodal QA dataset 1 – VQA (C1)

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- Task - Given an image and a question, answer the question (<http://www.visualqa.org/>)



What color are her eyes?  
What is the mustache made of?



How many slices of pizza are there?  
Is this a vegetarian pizza?



Is this person expecting company?  
What is just under the tree?




Does it appear to be rainy?  
Does this person have 20/20 vision?

# Multimodal QA dataset 1 – VQA (C1)

- Real images
  - 200k MS COCO images
  - 600k questions
  - 6M answers
  - 1.8M plausible answers
- Abstract images
  - 50k scenes
  - 150k questions
  - 1.5M answers
  - 450k plausible answers

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Image On/Off



Open-Ended/Multiple-Choice/Ground-Truth/Common-Sense

Q: Are these veggies or fruits?

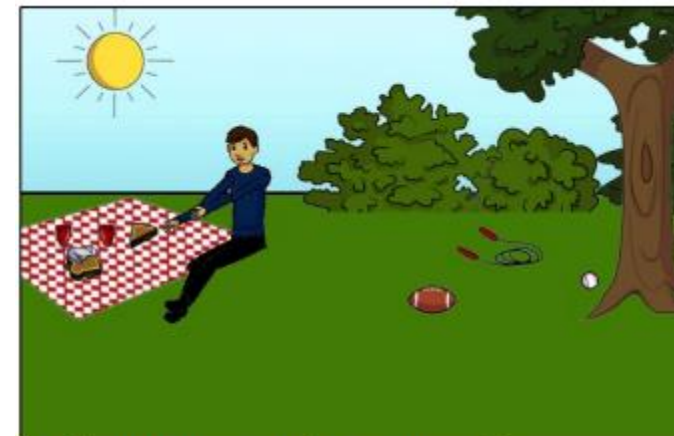
Ground Truth Answers:

(1) Fruits	(6) Fruit
(2) fruits	(7) fruits
(3) fruits	(8) fruits
(4) fruits	(9) fruits
(5) fruits	(10) fruits

Q: What is in the white bowl?

Ground Truth Answers:

(1) strawberries	(6) strawberries
(2) strawberries	(7) strawberry
(3) strawberry	(8) strawberries
(4) strawberries	(9) strawberries
(5) fruits	(10) strawberries



Is this person expecting company?  
What is just under the tree?

# VQA Challenge 2016 and 2017 (C1)

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- Two challenges organized these past two years ([link](#))
- Currently good at yes/no question, not so much free form and counting

	By Answer Type			Overall ▼
	Yes/No ▼	Number ▼	Other ▼	
UC Berkeley & Sony <sup>[14]</sup>	83.79	38.9	58.64	66.9
Naver Labs <sup>[10]</sup>	83.78	37.67	54.74	64.89
DLAIT <sup>[5]</sup>	83.65	39.18	52.62	63.97
snubi-naverlabs <sup>[25]</sup>	83.64	38.43	51.61	63.4
POSTECH <sup>[11]</sup>	81.85	38.02	53.12	63.35
Brandeis <sup>[3]</sup>	82.53	36.54	51.71	62.8
VTComputerVison <sup>[19]</sup>	80.31	37.87	52.16	62.23
MIL-UT <sup>[7]</sup>	82.39	36.7	49.76	61.82

# VQA 2.0

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- Just guessing without an image lead to ~51% accuracy
  - So the V in VQA “only” adds 14% increase in accuracy
- [VQA v2.0](#) is attempting to address this

Who is wearing glasses?

man



woman

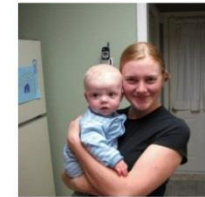


Where is the child sitting?

fridge



arms



Is the umbrella upside down?

yes



no



How many children are in the bed?

2



1





# Multimodal QA – other VQA datasets

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COCOQA

Q: What is the color of the desk?

A: white

Q: What are on the white desk?

A: computers



COCOQA

Q: What is the color of the dresses?

A: purple

Q: What are three women dressed up and on?

A: phones



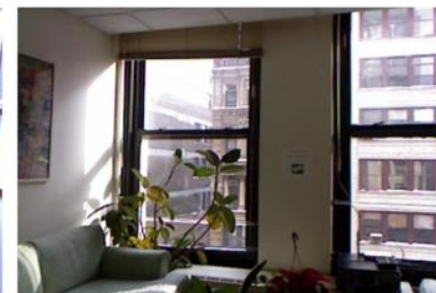
DAQUAR

Q: What is the object close to the wall?

A: whiteboard

Q: What is the object in front of the sofa?

A: table



DAQUAR

Q: What is the largest object?

A: sofa

Q: How many windows are there?

A: 2



VQA

Q: How many bikes are there?

A: 2

Q: What number is the bus?

A: 48



VQA

Q: How many pickles are on the plate?

A: 1

Q: What is the shape of the plate?

A: round



VQA

Q: What does the sign say?

A: stop

Q: What shape is this sign?

A: octagon



VQA

Q: What type of trees are here?

A: palm

Q: Is the skateboard airborne?

A: yes

## Multimodal QA – other VQA datasets (C2&C3)

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- [DAQUAR](#) (C2)
  - Synthetic QA pairs based on templates
  - 12468 human question-answer pairs
- [COCO-QA](#) (C3)
  - Object, Number, Color, Location
  - Training: 78736
  - Test: 38948

# Multimodal QA – other VQA datasets (C4)

## ■ Visual Madlibs

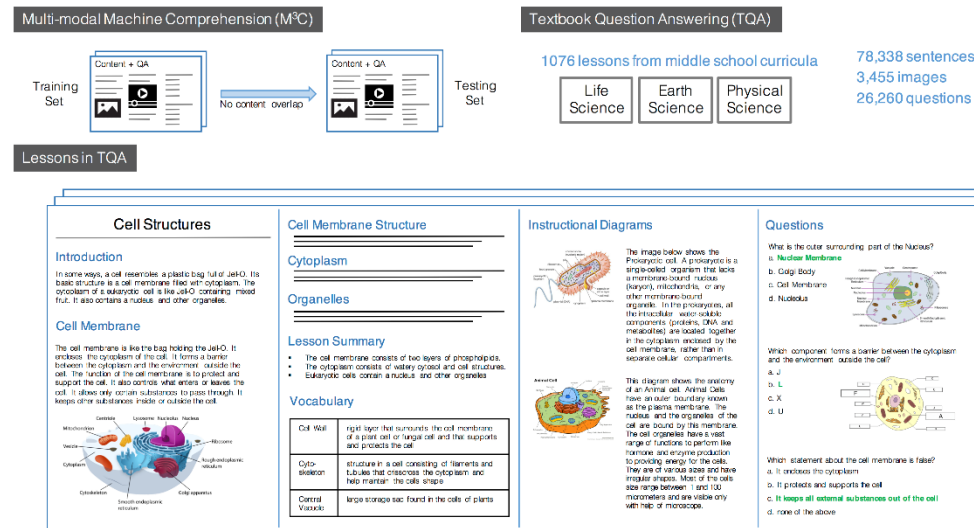
- Fill in the blank Image Generation and Question Answering
- 360,001 focused natural language descriptions for 10,738 images
- collected using automatically produced fill-in-the-blank templates designed to gather targeted descriptions about: people and objects, their appearances, activities, and interactions, as well as inferences about the general scene or its broader context



1. This place is a park.
2. When I look at this picture, I feel competitive.
3. The most interesting aspect of this picture is the guys playing shirtless.
4. One or two seconds before this picture was taken, the person caught the frisbee.
5. One or two seconds after this picture was taken, the guy will throw the frisbee.
6. Person A is wearing blue shorts.
7. Person A is in front of person B.
8. Person A is blocking person B.
9. Person B is a young man wearing an orange hat.
10. Person B is on a grassy field.
11. Person B is holding a frisbee.
12. The frisbee is white and round.
13. The frisbee is in the hand of the man with the orange cap.
14. People could throw the frisbee.
15. The people are playing with the frisbee.

# Multimodal QA – other VQA datasets (C5)

- Textbook Question Answering
  - Multi-Modal Machine Comprehension
  - Context needed to answer questions provided and composed of both text and images
  - 78338 sentences, 3455 images
  - 26260 questions

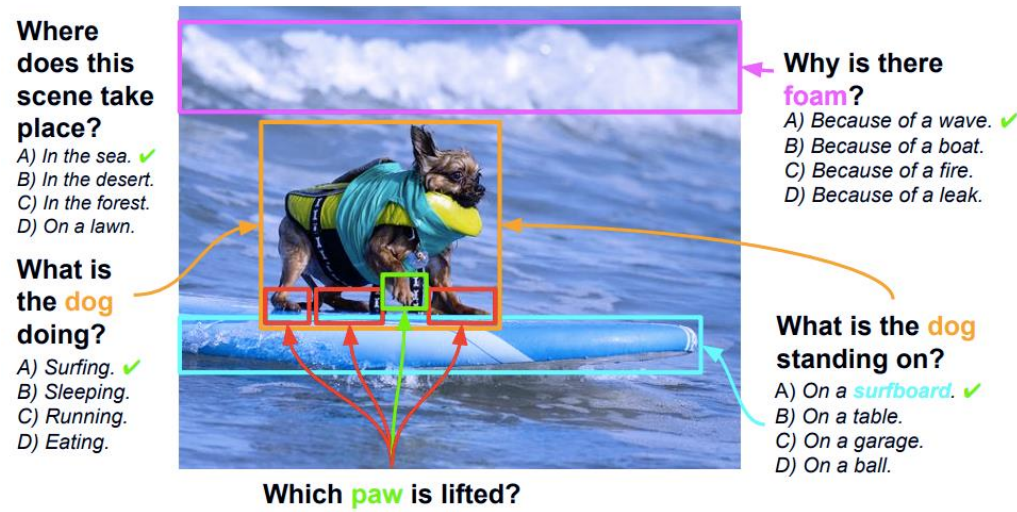




# Multimodal QA – other VQA datasets (C6)

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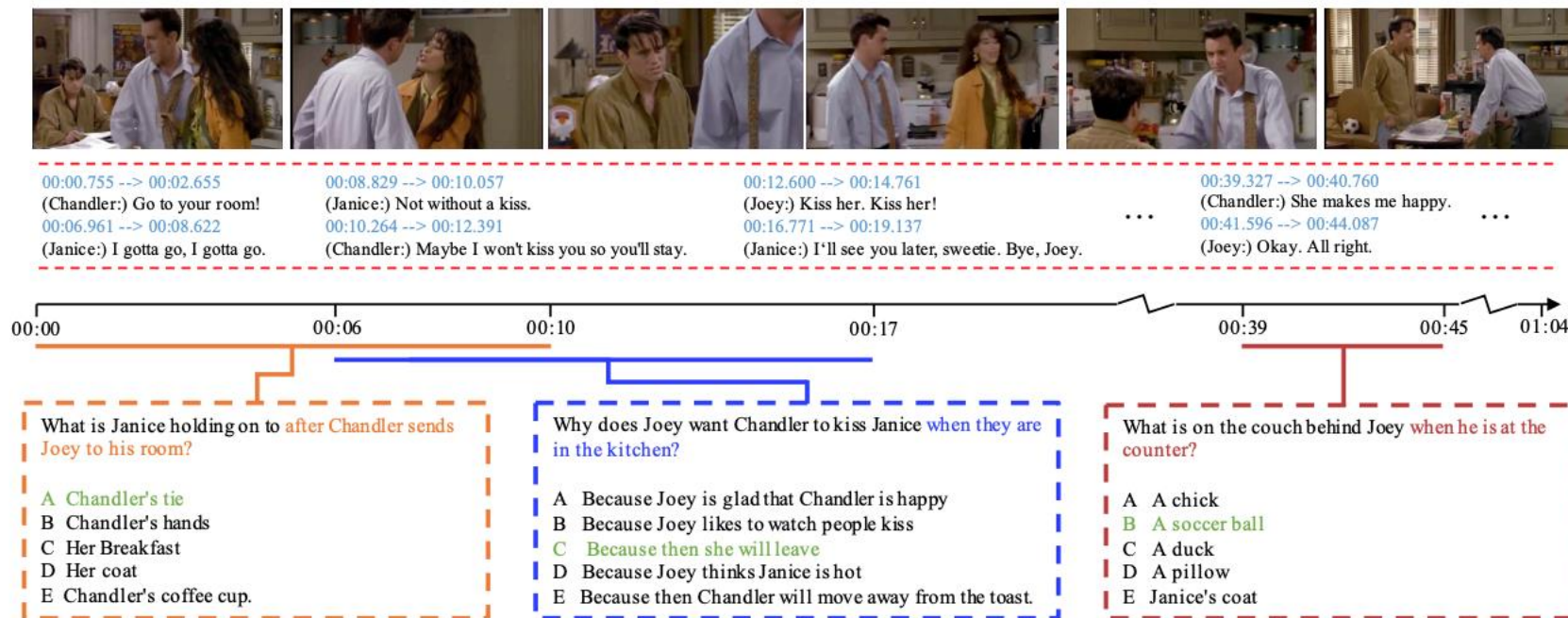
- Visual7W
  - Grounded Question Answering in Images
  - 327,939 QA pairs on 47,300 COCO images
  - 1,311,756 multiple-choices, 561,459 object groundings, 36,579 categories
  - what, where, when, who, why, how and which



# Multimodal QA – other VQA datasets (C7)

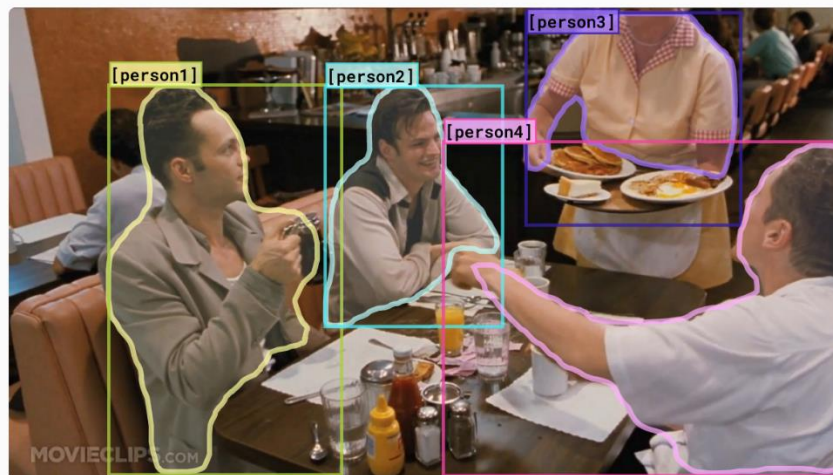
## ■ TVQA

- Video QA dataset based on 6 popular TV shows
- 152.5K QA pairs from 21.8K clips
- Compositional questions



# Multimodal QA – Visual Reasoning (C8)

- VCR: Visual Commonsense Reasoning
  - Model must answer challenging visual questions expressed in language
  - And provide a **rationale** explaining why its answer is true.



hide all

show all

[person1]

[person2]

[person3]

[person4]

more objects »

Why is [person4] pointing at [person1]?

- a) He is telling [person3] that [person1] ordered the pancakes.
- b) He just told a joke.
- c) He is feeling accusatory towards [person1].
- d) He is giving [person1] directions.

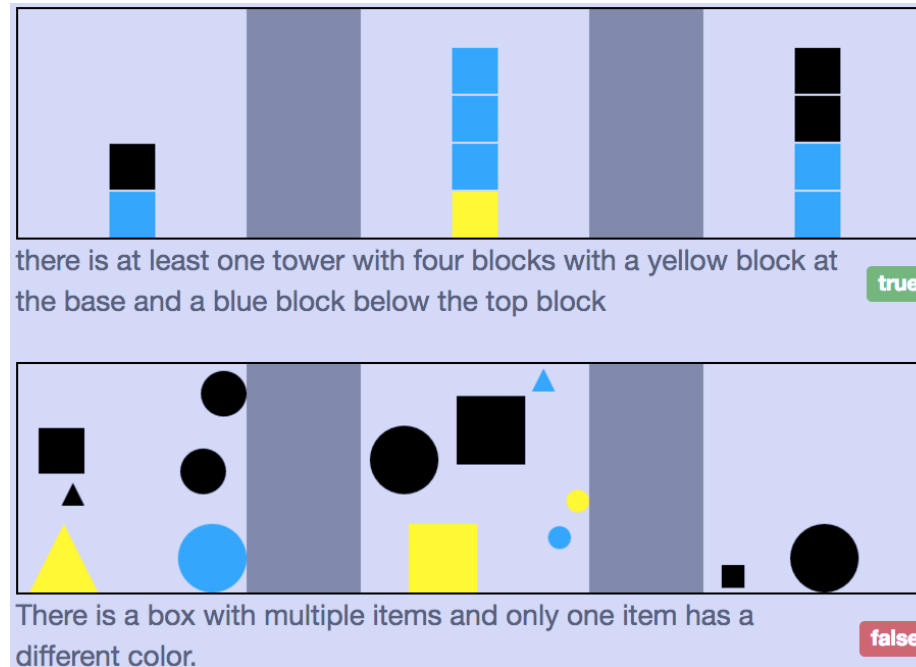
Rationale: I think so because...

- a) [person1] has the pancakes in front of him.
- b) [person4] is taking everyone's order and asked for clarification.
- c) [person3] is looking at the pancakes both she and [person2] are smiling slightly.
- d) [person3] is delivering food to the table, and she might not know whose order is whose.

# Multimodal QA – Visual Reasoning (C9)

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- Cornell NLVR
  - 92,244 pairs of natural language statements grounded in synthetic images
  - Determine whether a sentence is true or false about an image

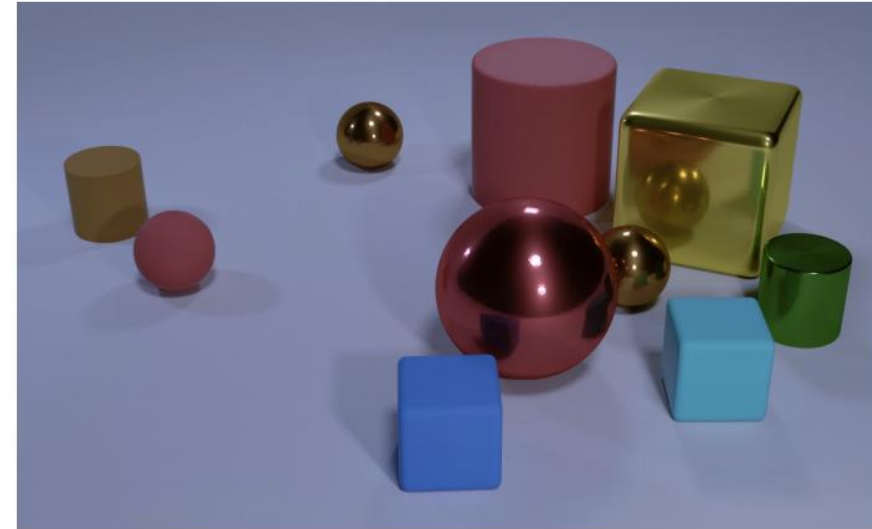


# Multimodal QA – Visual Reasoning (C10)

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- CLEVR

- A Diagnostic Dataset for Compositional Language and Elementary Visual Reasoning
- Tests a range of different specific visual reasoning abilities
- Training set: 70,000 images and 699,989 questions
- Validation set: 15,000 images and 149,991 questions
- Test set: 15,000 images and 14,988 questions



Q: Are there an **equal number** of large things and metal spheres?

Q: What size is the cylinder that is left of the brown metal thing that is left of the big sphere? Q: There is a sphere with the **same size as** the metal cube; is it **made of the same material as** the small red sphere?

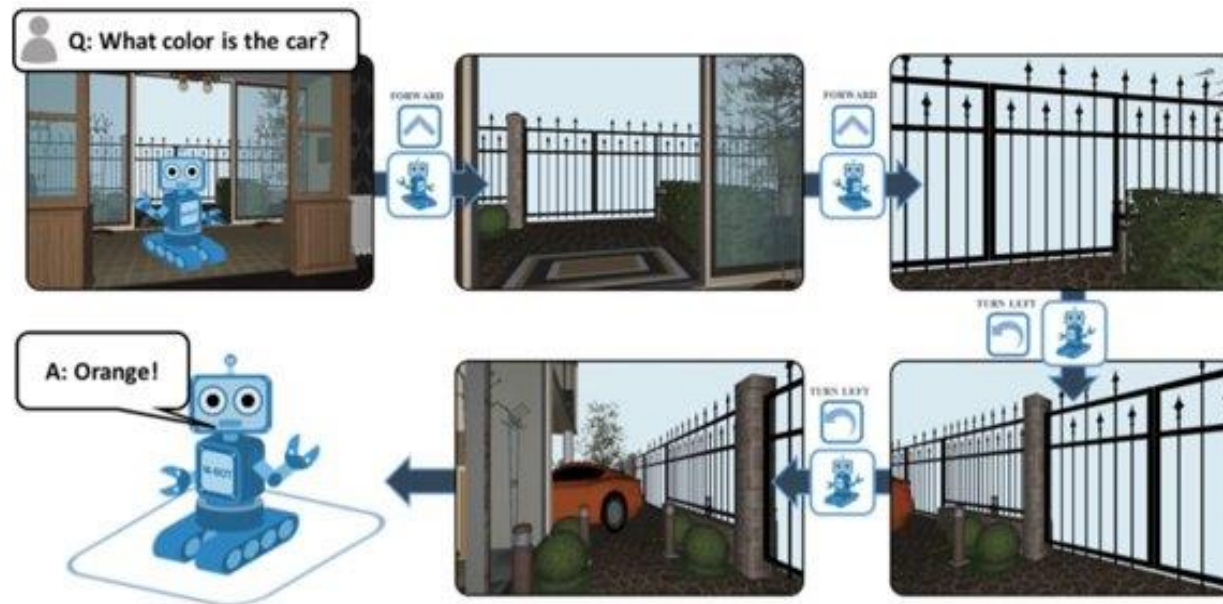
Q: How many objects are either small cylinders or metal things?



# Embodied Question Answering (C11)

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- An agent is spawned at a random location in a 3D environment and asked a question
- [EQA v1.0](#): 9,000 questions from 774 environments



## TextVQA (C12), GQA (C13), CompGuessWhat (C14)

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- [TextVQA](#) requires models to read and reason about text in images to answer questions about them. Specifically, models need to incorporate a new modality of text present in the images and reason over it to answer TextVQA questions.
- [GQA](#) Real-World Visual Reasoning and Compositional Question Answering. A new dataset for real-world visual reasoning and compositional question answering, seeking to address key shortcomings of previous VQA datasets.
- [CompGuessWhat](#) Framework for evaluating the quality of learned neural representations, in particular concerning attribute grounding.



# Multimodal QA technical challenges

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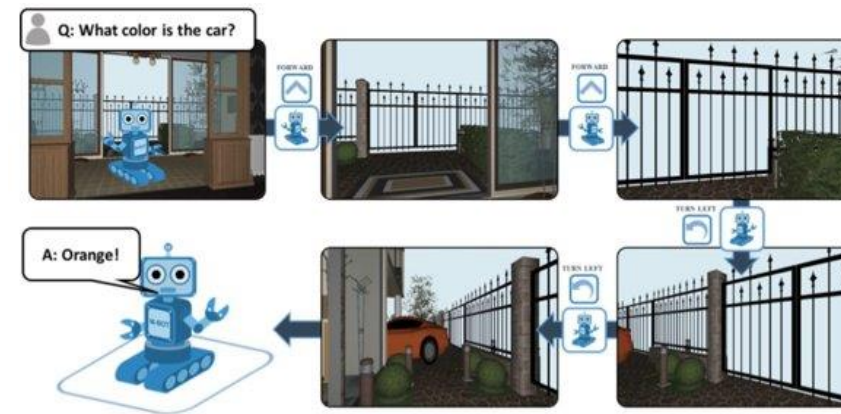
- What technical problems could be addressed?
  - Translation
  - Representation
  - Alignment
  - Fusion
  - Co-training/transfer learning



What color are her eyes?  
What is the mustache made of?



How many slices of pizza are there?  
Is this a vegetarian pizza?



# Room-2-Room Navigation with NL instructions (D1)

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- Visually grounded natural language navigation in real buildings
- [Room-2-Room](#): 21,567 open vocabulary, crowd-sourced navigation instructions

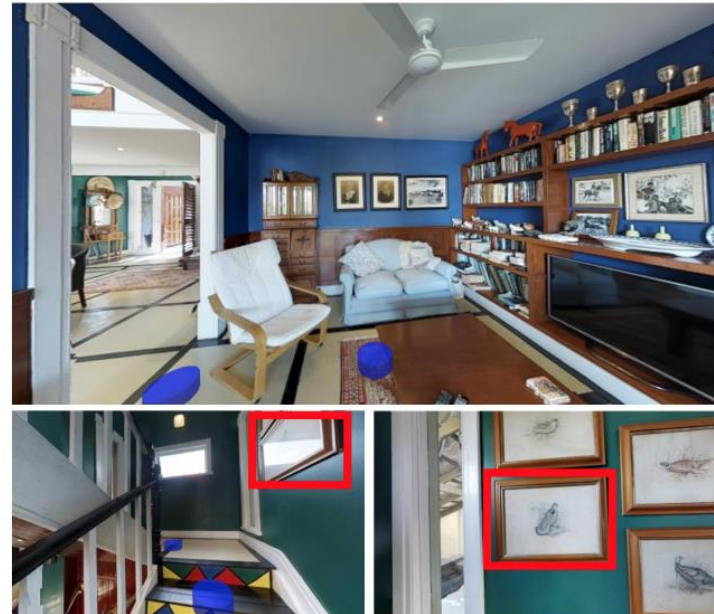


**Instruction:** Head upstairs and walk past the piano through an archway directly in front. Turn right when the hallway ends at pictures and table. Wait by the moose antlers hanging on the wall.

# Multimodal Navigation: RERERE (D2)

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- Remote embodied referring expressions in real indoor environments

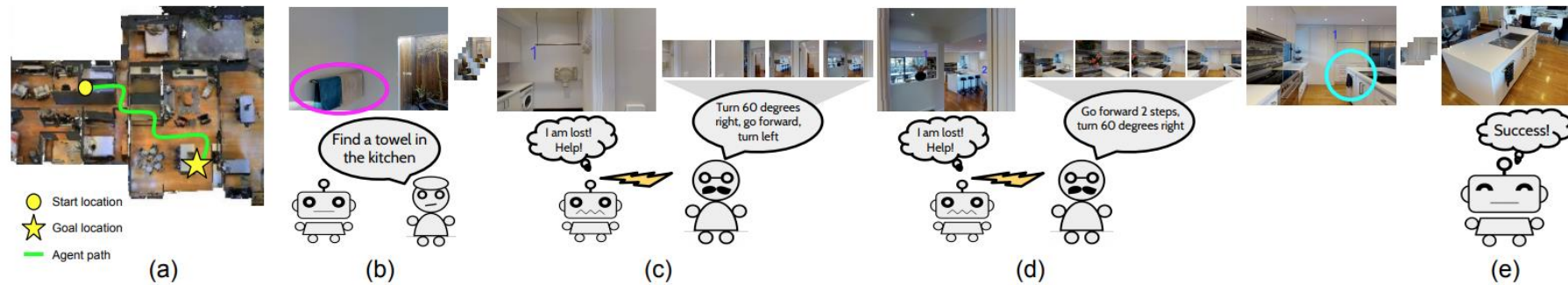


Instruction: Go to the stairs on level one and bring me the bottom picture that is next to the top of the stairs.

# Multimodal Navigation: VNLA (D3)

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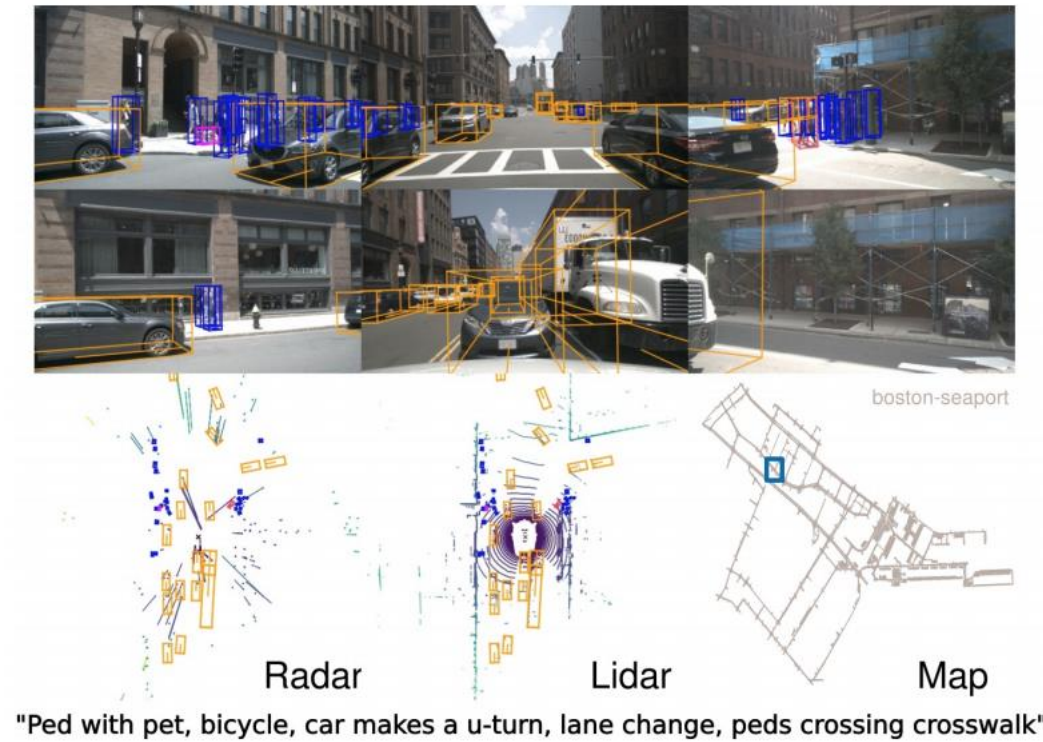
- Vision-based navigation with language-based assistance



# Autonomous driving: nuScenes (D4)

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- [Multimodal dataset for autonomous driving](#)





# Autonomous driving: Waymo Open Dataset (D5)

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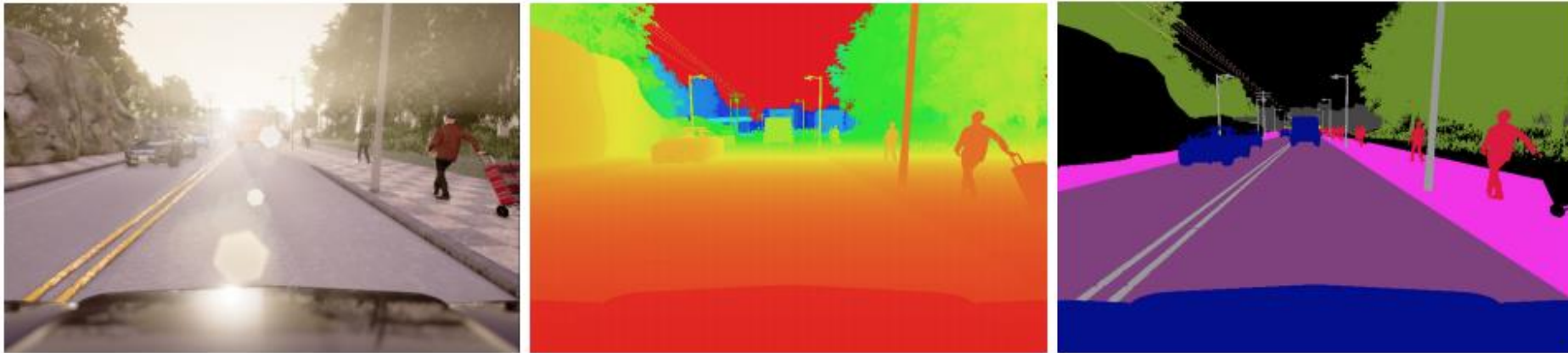
- [Autonomous vehicle dataset](#)
- 1000 driving segments
- 5 cameras and 5 lidar inputs
- Dense labels for vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists, road signs.



## Autonomous driving: CARLA (D6)

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- [Simulator for autonomous driving research](#)
- 3 sensing modalities: normal vision camera, ground-truth depth, and ground-truth semantic segmentation

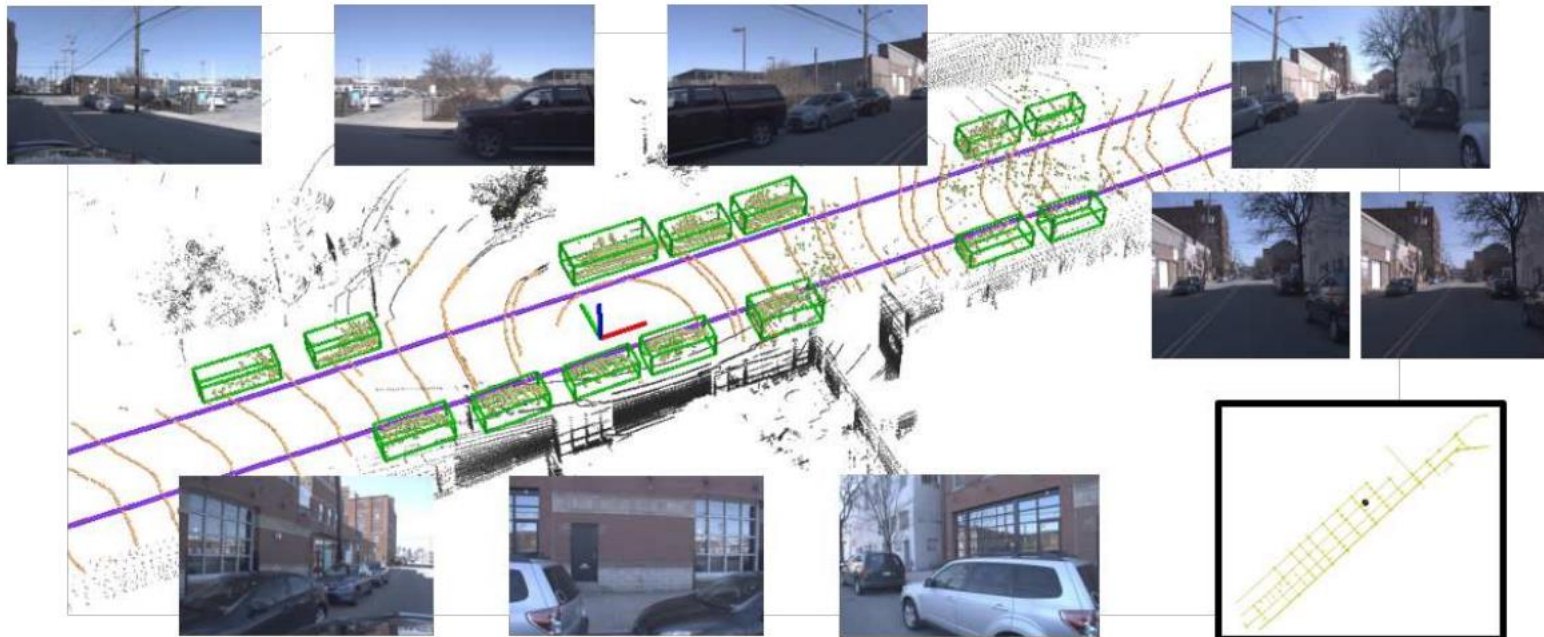




# Autonomous driving: Argoverse (D7)

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- [Autonomous vehicle dataset](#)
- 3D tracking annotations for 113 scenes and 327,793 interesting vehicle trajectories for motion forecasting
- Input modalities: LiDAR measurements, 360° RGB video, front-facing stereo, and 6-dof localization



# ALFRED (D8)

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- ALFRED Instruction following with long trajectories and basic affordances



# Multimodal Navigation technical challenges

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- What technical problems could be addressed?
  - Translation
  - Representation
  - Alignment
  - Co-training/transfer learning
  - Fusion

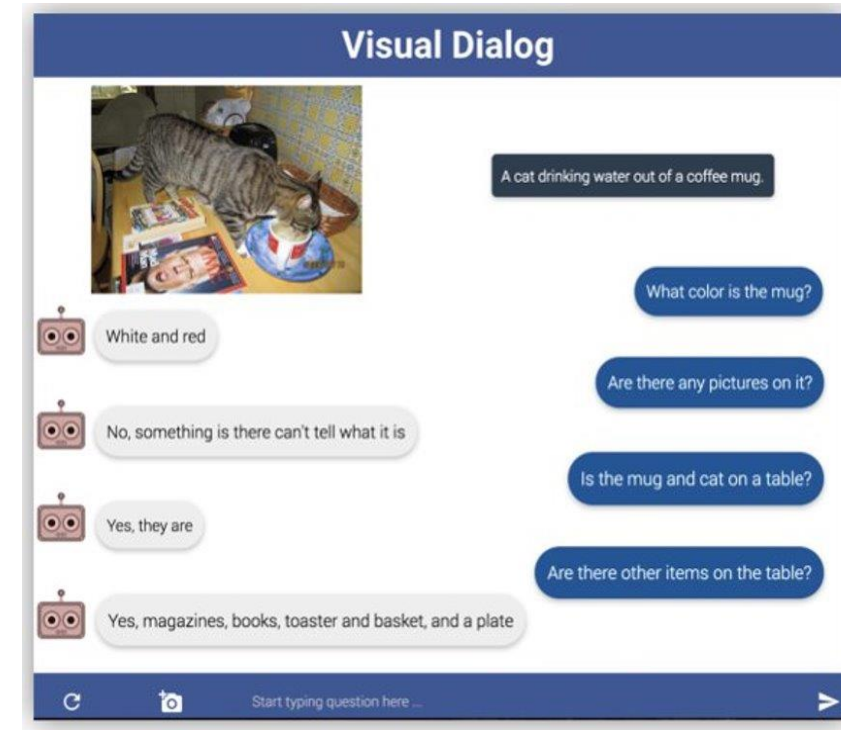


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# Multimodal Dialog: Visual Dialog (E1)

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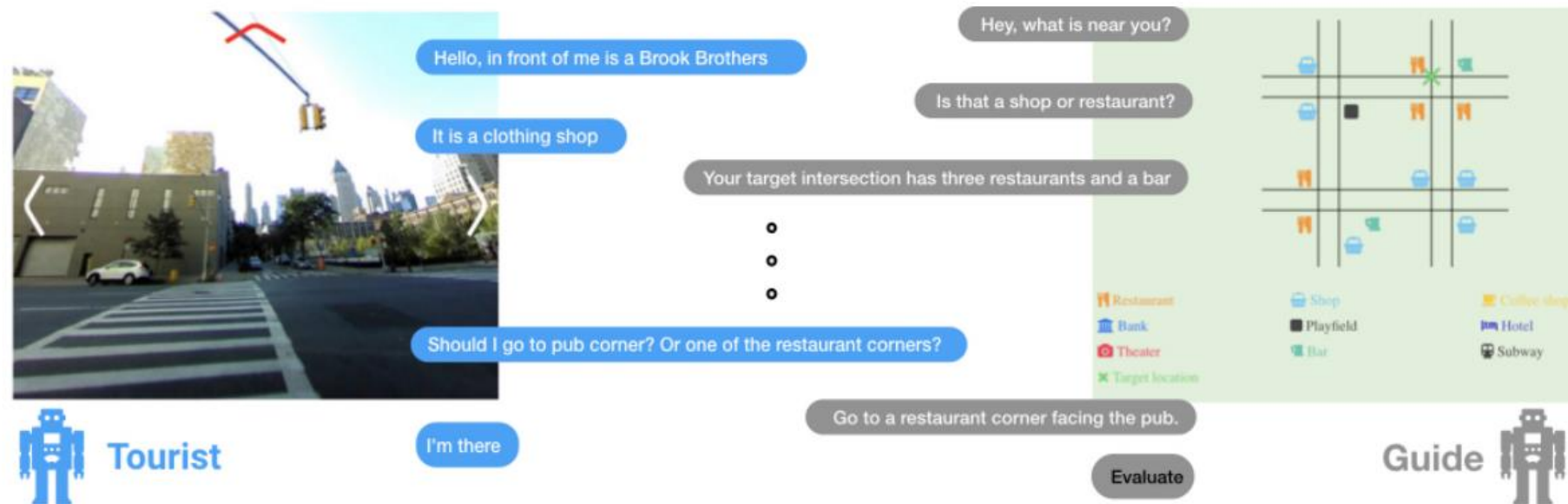
- VisDial v0.9: total of ~1.2M dialog question-answer pairs (1 dialog with 10 question-answer pairs on ~120k images from MS-COCO)
- [VisDial v1.0](#) has also been released recently
- A Visual Dialog Challenge is organized at ECCV 2018



# Multimodal Dialog: Talk the Walk (E2)

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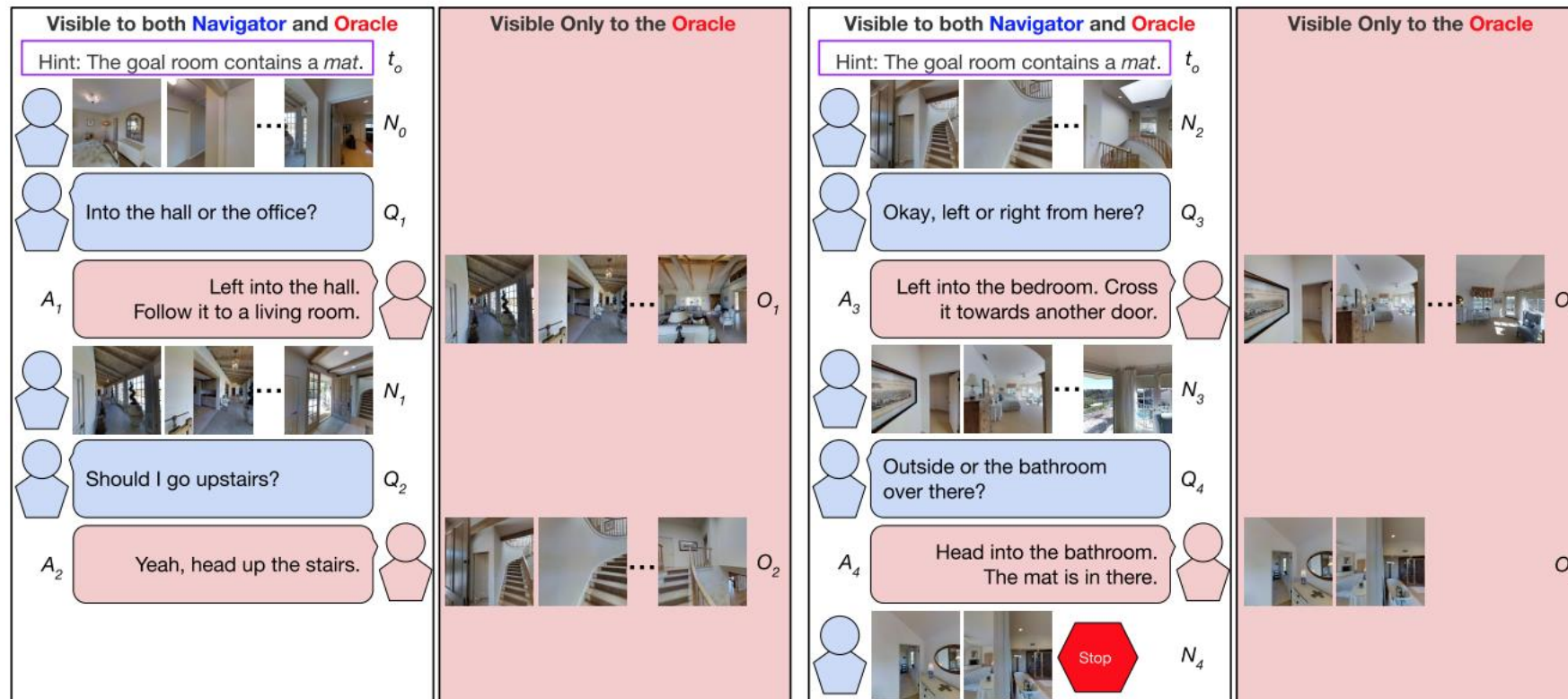
- A guide and a tourist communicate via natural language to navigate the tourist to a given target location. ([paper](#))





# Cooperative Vision-and-Dialog Navigation (E3)

- 2k embodied, human-human dialogs situated in simulated, photorealistic home environments. ([code+data](#))
- Agent has to navigate towards the goal





# Multimodal Dialog: CLEVR-Dialog (E4)

- Used to benchmark visual coreference resolution. ([code+data](#))

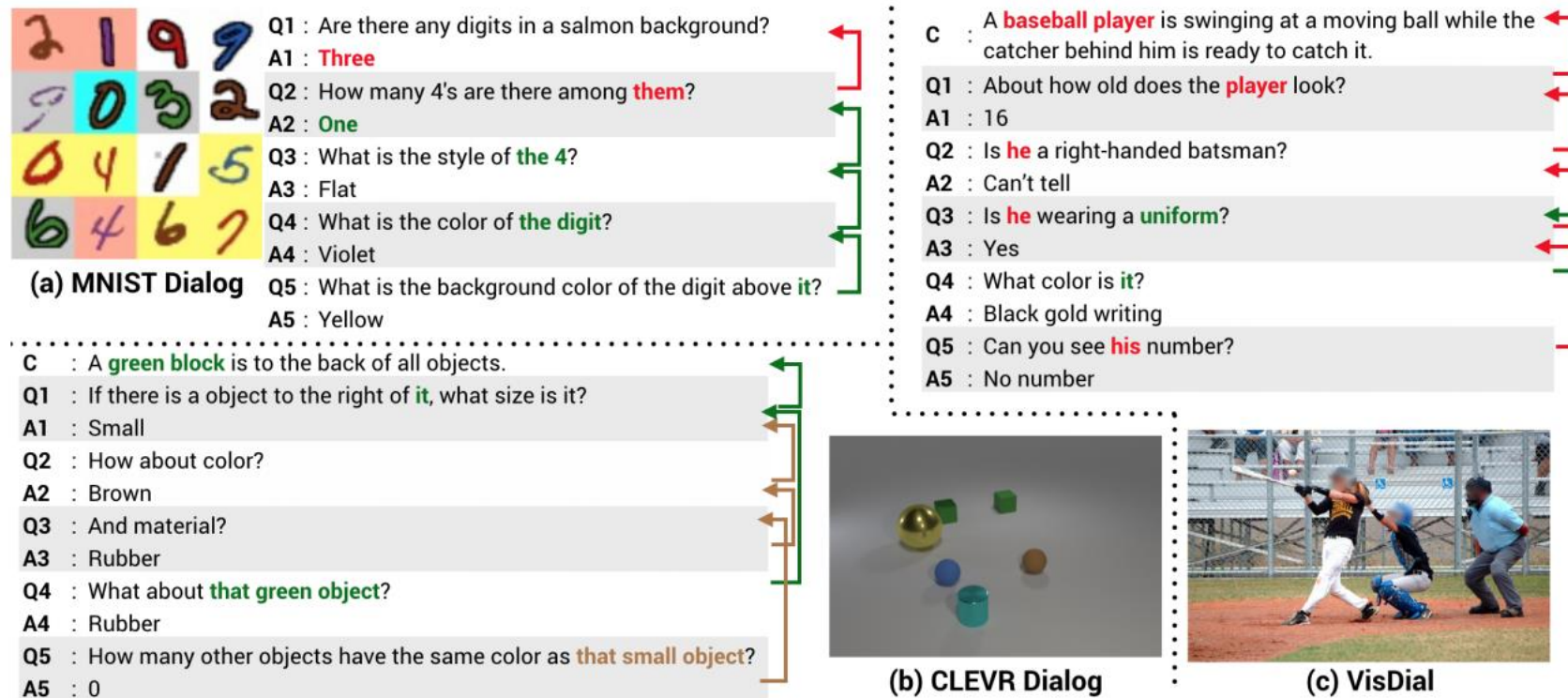




Figure 2: Example dialogs from MNIST Dialog, CLEVR-Dialog, and VisDial, with coreference chains manually marked for VisDial and automatically extracted for MNIST Dialog and CLEVR-Dialog.

# Multimodal Dialog: Fashion Retrieval (E5)

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- [Fashion retrieval dataset](#)
- Dialog-based interactive image retrieval

 <b>Desired Item</b> 	<b>Candidate A</b>  <b>Relevance Feedback:</b> Negative <b>Relative Attribute:</b> More open  <b>Dialog Feedback:</b> Unlike the provided image, the one I want has an open back design with suede texture.	<b>Candidate B</b>  <b>Relevance Feedback:</b> Positive <b>Relative Attribute:</b> Less ornamental  <b>Dialog Feedback:</b> Unlike the provided image, the one I want has fur on the back and no sequin on top.
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# Multimodal Dialog technical challenges

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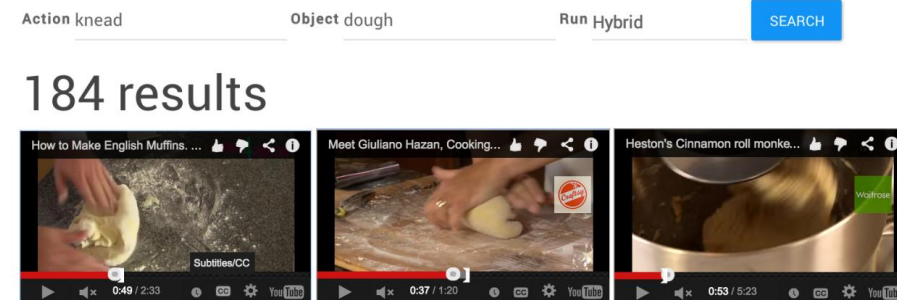
- What technical problems could be addressed?
  - Representation
  - Alignment
  - Translation
  - Co-training/transfer learning
  - Fusion



# Event detection

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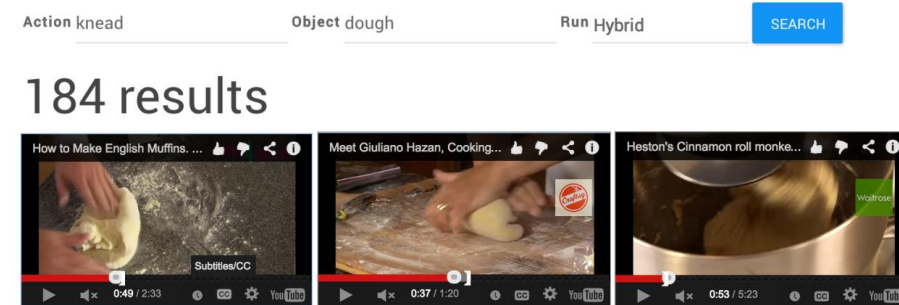
- Given video/audio/ text  
detect predefined events or  
scenes
- Segment events in a stream
- Summarize videos



# Event detection dataset 1 (F1, F2, F3 & F4)

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- [What's Cooking](#) (F1)- cooking action dataset
  - **melt butter, brush oil**, etc.
  - **taste, bake** etc.
- Audio-visual, ASR captions
  - 365k clips
  - Quite noisy
- Surprisingly many cooking datasets:
  - [TACoS](#) (F2), [TACoS Multi-Level](#) (F3), [YouCook](#) (F4)





## Event detection dataset 2 (F5)

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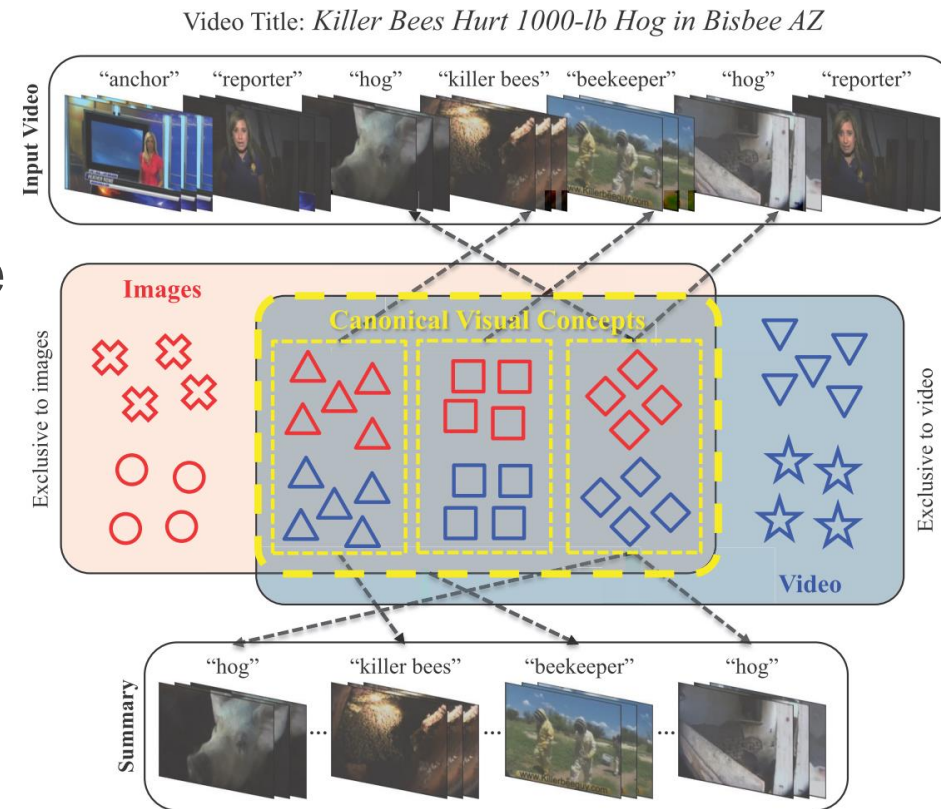
- Multimedia event detection
  - TrecVid Multimedia Event Detection ([MED](#)) 2010-2015
  - One of the six TrecVid tasks
  - Audio-visual data
  - Event detection





# Event detection dataset 3 (F6)

- [Title-based Video Summarization dataset](#)
- 50 videos labeled for scene importance, can be used for summarization based on the title



## Event detection dataset 4 (F7)

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- [MediaEval](#) challenge datasets
  - Affective Impact of Movies (including Violent Scenes Detection)
  - Synchronization of Multi-User Event Media
  - Multimodal Person Discovery in Broadcast TV

# CrisisMMD: Natural Disaster Assessment (F8)

- [CrisisMMD](#) – Multimodal Dataset for Natural Disasters
- 16,097 Twitter posts with one or more images
- Annotations comprises of 3 types:
  - Informative vs. Uninformative for humanitarian aid purposes
  - Humanitarian aid categories
  - Damage Assessment

Informative



(a) Hurricane Maria turns Dominica into 'giant debris field' <https://t.co/rAISiAhMUy> by #AJEnglish via @c0nvey <https://t.co/I4zeuW4gkc>

Not informative



(d) @SueAikens hi su o back againe big hug FROM PUERTO RICO love you <https://t.co/HCEyIHB0QZ>

Rescue & volunteering



(g) Puerto Rico donation drive going on until 4 p.m. today and again on Oct. 28! <https://t.co/zXZBrHeLCQ> <https://t.co/2T9k2mTCIs>

## Event detection technical challenges

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- What technical problems could be addressed?
  - Fusion
  - Representation
  - Co-learning
  - Mapping
  - Alignment (after misaligning)

# Cross-media retrieval

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- Given one form of media retrieve related forms of media, given text retrieve images, given image retrieve relevant documents
- Examples:
  - Image search
  - Similar image search
- Additional challenges
  - Space and speed considerations

# Multimodal Retrieval: IKEA Interior Design Dataset (G1)

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- [Interior Design Dataset](#) – Retrieve desired product using room photos and text queries.
- 298 room photos, 2193 product images/descriptions.

Room images:



Object images:    Description:



You sit comfortably thanks to the armrests.



There's a natural and living feeling of wood, as knots and other marks remain on the surface.



This lamp gives a pleasant light for dining and spreads a good directed light across your dining or bar table.



## Cross-media retrieval datasets (G2, G3, G4)

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- [MIRFLICKR-1M](#) (G2)
  - 1M images with associated tags and captions
  - Labels of general and specific categories
- [NUS-WIDE dataset](#) (G3)
  - 269,648 images and the associated tags from Flickr, with a total number of 5,018 unique tags;
- [Yahoo Flickr Creative Commons 100M](#) (G4)
  - Videos and images
- Can also use image and video captioning datasets
  - Just pose it as a retrieval task

## Other Multimodal Datasets (G5, G6, G7, G8, G9, G10)

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- 1) YouTube 8M (G5)
  - <https://research.google.com/youtube8m/>
- 2) YouTube Bounding Boxes (G6)
  - <https://research.google.com/youtube-bb/>
- 3) YouTube Open Images (G7)
  - <https://research.googleblog.com/2016/09/introducing-open-images-dataset.html>
- 4) VIST (G8)
  - <http://visionandlanguage.net/VIST/>
- 5) Recipe1M+ (G9)
  - <http://pic2recipe.csail.mit.edu/>
- 6) VATEX (G10)
  - <https://eric-xw.github.io/vatex-website/>

# Cross-media retrieval challenges

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- What technical problems could be addressed?
  - Representation
  - Translation
  - Alignment
  - Co-learning
  - Fusion