TRECVID-2014 Semantic Indexing task: Overview

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Semantic Indexing task

- **Goal**: Automatic assignment of semantic tags to video segments (shots)
- **Secondary goals**:
  - Encourage generic (scalable) methods for detector development.
  - Semantic annotation is important for filtering, categorization, searching and browsing.
- **Participants submitted four types of runs**:
  - **Main run** includes results for 60 concepts, from which NIST evaluated 30 concepts.
    - **Localization run** includes results for 10 pixel-wise localized concepts from the 60 evaluated concepts in main runs.
  - **Progress run** includes results for 60 concept for 2 non-overlapping datasets, from which 1 dataset will be evaluated the next year.
Semantic Indexing task (data)

• SIN testing dataset
  • Main test set (IACC.2.B): 200 hours, with durations between 10 seconds and 6 minutes.
  • Progress test set (IACC.2.C): 200 hours and non overlapping from IACC.2

• SIN development dataset

• Total shots:
  • Much more than in previous TRECVID years, no composite shots
  • Development: 549,434
  • Test: IACC.2.A (112,677), IACC.2.B (106,913), IACC.2.C (113,161)

• Common annotation for 346 concepts coordinated by LIG/LIF/Quaero from 2007-2013 made available.
Semantic Indexing task (Concepts)

• Selection of the 60 target concepts
  • Were drawn from 500 concepts chosen from the TRECVID “high level features” from 2005 to 2010 to favor cross-collection experiments Plus a selection of LSCOM concepts so that:
    • we end up with a number of generic-specific relations among them for promoting research on methods for indexing many concepts and using ontology relations between them.
    • we cover a number of potential subtasks, e.g. “persons” or “actions” (not really formalized)
    • It is also expected that these concepts will be useful for the content-based (instance) search task.

• Set of relations provided:
  • 427 “implies” relations, e.g. “Actor implies Person”
  • 559 “excludes” relations, e.g. “Daytime_Outdoor excludes Nighttime”
Semantic Indexing task (training types)

- Six training types were allowed:
  - A – used only IACC training data (42 runs)
  - B – used only non-IACC training data (0 runs)
  - C – used both IACC and non-IACC TRECVID (S&V and/or Broadcast news) training data (0 runs)
  - D – used both IACC and non-IACC non-TRECVID training data (29 runs)
  - E – used only training data collected automatically using only the concepts’ name and definition (4 runs)
  - F – used only training data collected automatically using a query built manually from the concepts’ name and definition (0 runs)
Semantic Indexing task (training types)

- **Stricter interpretation of type A since 2014:**
  - Use of components built using other training data (e.g. face detectors) was considered as acceptable as long as this was not for directly training the SIN target concepts (no sample directly annotated with SIN concepts used)
  - Generalization to the use of components like semantic descriptors trained on external data (e.g. ImageNet) was similar in principle but too close to type D
  - Partially re-trained deep networks are even closer
  - Many runs submitted in 2013 and earlier as type A would be now requalified as type D with the new interpretation (not a problem)
  - Results are now presented in a single table and plot for types A-D (the training type still appear un the run names)
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-The 19 marked with “**” are a subset of those tested in 2013
10 Localization Concepts evaluated (2)

- [15] Boat_ship
- [17] Bridges
- [19] Bus
- [25] Chair
- [59] Hand
- [80] Motorcycle
- [117] Telephones
- [261] Flags
- [392] Quadruped
Evaluation

- **Task:** Find shots that contain a certain concept, rank them according to confidence measure, submit the top 2000.
- The 30 evaluated single concepts were chosen after examining TREC Vid 2013 60 evaluated concept scores across all runs and choosing the top 45 concepts with maximum score variation.
- Each feature assumed to be binary: absent or present for each master reference shot
- NIST sampled ranked pools and judged top results from all submissions
- **Metrics:** inferred average precision per concept
- Compared runs in terms of mean inferred average precision across the 30 concept results for main runs.
Inferred average precision (infAP)

• Developed* by Emine Yilmaz and Javed A. Aslam at Northeastern University
• Estimates average precision surprisingly well using a surprisingly small sample of judgments from the usual submission pools
• More features can be judged with same effort
• Increased sensitivity to lower ranks
• Experiments on previous TRECVID years feature submissions confirmed quality of the estimate in terms of actual scores and system ranking

2014: mean extended Inferred average precision (xinfAP)

- 2 pools were created for each concept and sampled as:
  - Top pool (ranks 1-200) sampled at 100%
  - Bottom pool (ranks 201-2000) sampled at 11.1%

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<td>12248 total hits</td>
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<td>7938 Hits at ranks (1-100)</td>
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<td>2869 Hits at ranks (101-200)</td>
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<td>1441 Hits at ranks (201-2000)</td>
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- Judgment process: one assessor per concept, watched complete shot while listening to the audio.
- infAP was calculated using the judged and unjudged pool by sample_eval
### 2014 : 15 Finishers

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Inferred frequency of hits varies by concept

**from total test shots

1%**
Total true shots contributed uniquely by team

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Fewer unique shots compared to TV2013 & TV2012

*shots submitted in 2013 in progress task
Main runs scores – 2014 submissions

NIST median baseline run

Median = 0.217

Type D runs
Type A runs (only IACC for training)
Type E runs (no annotation)
Main runs scores – Including progress

NIST median baseline run

Median = 0.206

Higher median and max scores than 2013 😊

* Submitted runs in 2013 against 2014 testing data (Progress runs)
Top 10 InfAP scores by concept (Main runs)

Most common concept medians are higher than TV13 medians

* Common concept in TV2013

Median
Statistical significant differences among top 10 Main runs
(using randomization test, p < 0.05)

• Run name          (mean infAP)
D_MediaMill.14_1     0.332
D_MediaMill.14_2     0.331
D_MediaMill.14_3     0.319
A_MediaMill.14_4     0.316
D_PicSOM.14_1        0.288
D_PicSOM.14_3        0.284
D_TokyoTech-Waseda.14_1 0.281
D_TokyoTech-Waseda.14_2 0.280
D_PicSOM.14_2        0.272
D_LIG.14_3           0.266

D_MediaMill.14_1
D_MediaMill.14_3
D_TokyoTech-Waseda.14_2
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D_LIG.14_3
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D_LIG.14_3

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Progress subtask

• 2014 systems used same training data and annotations as in 2013.
• Total 6 teams submitted progress runs against IACC.2.B dataset.
Progress subtask: Comparing best runs in 2013 & 2014 by team

Randomization tests show that 2014 systems are better than 2013 systems (except for insightdcu)
Main runs scores 2013

Median = 0.128
Main runs scores 2014

Median = 0.206
Progress subtask: Concepts improved vs weaken by team

Most 2014 concepts improved 😊
Concept localization subtask

• Goal
  • Make concept detection more precise in time and space than current shot-level evaluation.
  • Encourage more reusable concept detectors design that is independent from the context.

• Task
  • For each of the 10 concepts
    • For each of the top 1000 main run shots in SIN run
      • For each I-Frame within the shot that contains the target, return
        • the x,y coordinates of the (UL,LR) vertices of a bounding rectangle containing all of the target concept and as little more as possible.
    • Systems were allowed to submit more than 1 bounding box per I-frame but only the one with maximum f-score were judged.
NIST Evaluation framework

Semantic Indexing Assessment phase

Concept exists in shot (TP)  171k I-frames  Sampling (select every 3\textsuperscript{rd} I-frame)

Concept not in shot (FP)  57k I-frames  Localization human assessors  Concept exists in I-frame (TP)

Concept not in I-frame (FP)  Draw bounding box

Concept Localization Assessment phase
Evaluation metrics

- **Temporal localization**: precision, recall and fscore based on the judged I-frames.
- **Spatial localization**: precision, recall and fscore based on the located pixels representing the concept.
- An average of precision, recall and fscore for temporal and spatial localization across all I-frames for each concept and for each run.
Participants (Finishers)

• 16 teams applied, only 1 team submitted 4 runs!
  • UvA (University Of Amsterdam)
Temporal localization results by run

Mean per run across all concepts

0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 1

I-frame Fscore
I-frame Precision
I-frame Recall
Spatial Localization results by run

Spatial localization seems to be better than temporal (contrary to 2013 results). Hard to conclude as all runs come from 1 team.

- Mean Pixel Fscore
- Mean Pixel Precision
- Mean Pixel Recall
How can systems find the right balance between TP vs FP I-frames?
Most concepts are better in spatial localization compared to temporal. However, 1 team runs are not enough to conclude!
Samples of good localization

☐ GT
☐ Sys

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Samples of less good localization
Results per concept across all runs

Temporal localization

Recall per concept

Precision per concept

Spatial localization

Mean Recall per concept

Mean precision per concept

Hand

Motorcycle

Airplane

Flags

Submissions missed a lot of TP I-frames in general.

submitted bounding boxes approximate G.T boxes in size with some overlap. Systems are good in finding the real box sizes😊, not so much the real position.
2014 Observations

• 2014 main task was harder than 2013 main task (different data and different set of target concepts)
• Raw system scores have higher Max and Median compared to TV2013, still relatively low.
• Most common concepts with TV2013 have higher median scores.
• Most Progress systems improved significantly from 2013 to 2014.
• Significantly less participants (15 versus 26 for TV2013), most of the loss is in the “long tail”, partly explaining why the median performance is higher even though the task is harder.
• Localization runs missed a lot of TP I-frames.
• Localization submitted boxes approximate true box sizes with some overlap.
2014 Observations

- Approaches similar to TV 2013 with many innovations
- Improved bag of visual words, many dense and pyramidal
- Fisher vectors and similar (VLAD, VLAT, SV...)
- Use of several key frames per shot
- Use of audio features (MFCC+)
- Use of trajectory-based features
- Encoding of spatial information in Fisher vectors
- More semantic features
- Pseudo-relevance feedback
- More deep learning, co-training with ImageNet
- Use of hidden layers in deep convolutional networks
- Fast Local Area Independent Representation for localization
- Hard negative mining
SIN 2015

- Globally keep the task similar and of similar scale, test on IACC.2.C
- Further explore the “no annotation” and “localization” variants
- Sharing of data still proposed by IRIM
- Method for measuring progress over years
  → more progress submission are encouraged
  → we may accept late 2013-2014 progress submissions for a better progress analysis
- Collaborative annotation unchanged
- Feedback welcome
Extra slides for reference
Motivation for xinfAP and pooling strategy

- to make the evaluation more sensitive to shots returned below the lowest rank (~100) previously pooled and judged
- to adjust the sampling to match the relative importance of highest ranked items to average precision
- to exploit more infAP’s ability to estimate of AP well even at sampling rates much below the 50% rate used in previous years
NIST median baseline run by NIST

• A median baseline run is created for each run type and training category.

• Basic idea:
  • For each feature, find the median rank of each submitted shot calculated across all submitted runs in that run type and training category.
  • The final shot median rank value is weighted by the ratio of all submitted runs to number of runs that submitted that shot:

\[
Shot_{\text{Median\_rank}} = \text{Median\_rank} \times \frac{\text{Total\_NumberOf\_Runs}}{\text{NumberOf\_Runs\_Submitted\_X}}
\]
Sharing of data for TRECVID SIN

- Organized by the IRIM groups of CNRS GRD ISIS.
- IRIM proposes its data sharing organization for the TRECVID SIN task. This comprises:
  - a wiki with read-write access for all
  - a data repository with read access for all and currently a write access only via one of the organizers
  - a small set of simple file formats
  - a (quite) simple directory structure
- Shared data mostly consist in descriptors and classification scores.
- Rewarding principle (same as for other contributions)
  - share and be cited and evaluated
  - use freely and cite
Sharing of data for TRECVID SIN

- Wiki (write access with trecvid active participant login/password):
  - http://mrim.imag.fr/trecvid/wiki

- Associated data for SIN 2010-2015 (access to some parts with IACC collection login/password):
  - http://mrim.imag.fr/trecvid/sin12

- Related actions:
  - Sharing of low-level descriptors by CMU for TRECVID 2003-2004
  - Mediamill challenge (101 concepts) using TRECVID 2005 data
  - Sharing of detection scores by CU-Vireo on TRECVID 2008-2010 data

- Possible extension to other TRECVID tasks, e.g. MED.
- Currently needs update, announced when finished