Multi-User, Multi-Site Experiments: K-Space @ TRECVID 2008

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K-Space: Who we are [1/1]

- European Network of Excellence (NoE), ending 2008, specializing in Content Analysis, Knowledge Extraction, Semantic Inference
- Comprised of 14 European Academic and Research groups
- TRECVID 2008 involved 11 partner institutes contributing towards search engine and/or search experiment
- Groups involved include:
 - DCU, CWI, Eurecom, ITI, JRS, QMUL, TUB, UEP, UG
- Developed resources available to community:

http://kspace.cdvp.dcu.ie/





Experiment Overview [1/3]

Multi-Site, Multi-System User experiment

Key components:

- 3 User Interfaces developed
- 1 Common search engine
- 3 Geographically disparate sites (Amsterdam, Dublin, Glasgow)
- 12 Users per site, 36 total
- Objective: To isolate as many variables as possible that may affect Interactive Video IR performance, notably:
 - User Interface impact
 - User effect
 - Site effect





Experiment Overview [2/3]

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
S 1	GU	GU	GU	GU					DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1									DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2
S2	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1					DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2									GU	GU	GU	GU
S 3	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2					GU	GU	GU	GU									DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1
S4	GU	GU	GU	GU									DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2				
S5	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1									DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	GU	GU	GU	GU				
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S 7					GU	GU	GU	GU	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1					DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2				
S8					DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2					GU	GU	GU	GU				
S9					DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	GU	GU	GU	GU					DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1				
S10					GU	GU	GU	GU					DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1					DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2
S11					DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1					DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2					GU	GU	GU	GU
S12					DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2	DCU_2					GU	GU	GU	GU					DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1	DCU_1

- Each user completed 12 topics, 4 topics on each system
- Topic assignment from Latin Squares experiment design
- Order of systems was randomized
- Order of topic progression for a system was not randomized
- Prior to each system, user was shown demonstration video and had 1 training topic of 5 minutes duration to learn the system.





Experiment Overview [3/3]

- Quantitative and qualitative data captured
- Qualitative data in form of survey questions at:
 - Pre-experiment
 - Post-topic
 - Post-system

Extensive time-stamped logging, events including:

- Searches made, type & terms used
- Shot saved
- Shot played
- Shot removed





System/Interfaces Overview [1/4]

- Common Search Engine allows for:
 - Text only search
 - Multiple Query by Example
 - Multimodal Search
- Text Search:
 - ASR Indexed
 - CU-VIREO 374 (Thanks to Columbia and CUHK) and additional semantic feature terms expanded through WordNet and indexed with shot
- Visual Search:
 - Low-level MPEG-7 visual features for visual similarity





System/Interfaces Overview [2/4]



System/Interfaces Overview [3/4]



System/Interfaces Overview [4/4]



Analysis [1/7]

- Analysis presented here is preliminary
- Very large amount of experimental data, allowing multiple research questions to be examined
- Data to be made available
- Following analysis from viewpoint that if user saved shot it was considered relevant to that user





3 2 Difference from mean 1 0 -1 -2 CWI-1 CWI-2 DCU-1 DCU-2 GU-1 GU-2 Users

User Variance - DCU-1

User Variance - DCU-2





User Variance - GU

20 Shots Saved per Search 15 10 5 0 DCU-1 GU DCU-2

Average Saves Per Search

Systems

Predicted Saves 15min



User & NIST Relevance Agreement



Conclusion

- Large laboratory Video IR experiment, 36 users, 3 sites, 3 interfaces
- Produced a very large amount of experimental data
- Multiple ways of analysing data, this is just starter
- Objective to clean and release data to wider community



