

VK Multimedia Information Systems

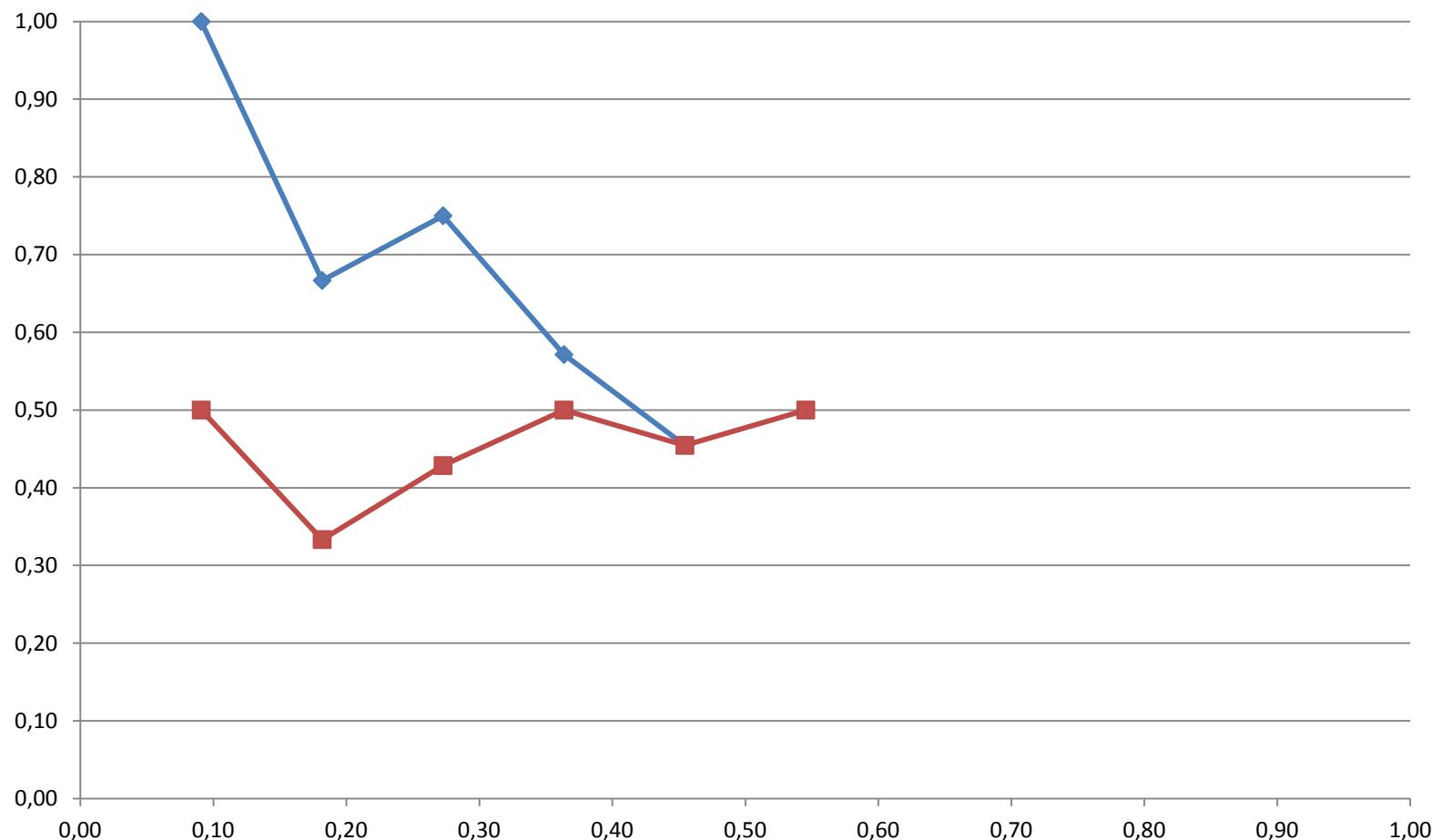
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Results

- A1:
 - 0,455 Precision
 - 0,455 Recall
- A2:
 - 0,500 Precision
 - 0,545 Recall

RC-Lev	PR-A1	PR-A2
0,09	1,00	0,50
0,18	0,67	0,33
0,27	0,75	0,43
0,36	0,57	0,50
0,45	0,45	0,45
0,55		0,50
0,64		
0,73		
0,82		
0,91		
1,00		

Results Ex-04



Content Based Image Retrieval

- Motivation & Semantic Gap
- Perception
- Color Based Features
- Texture Based Features

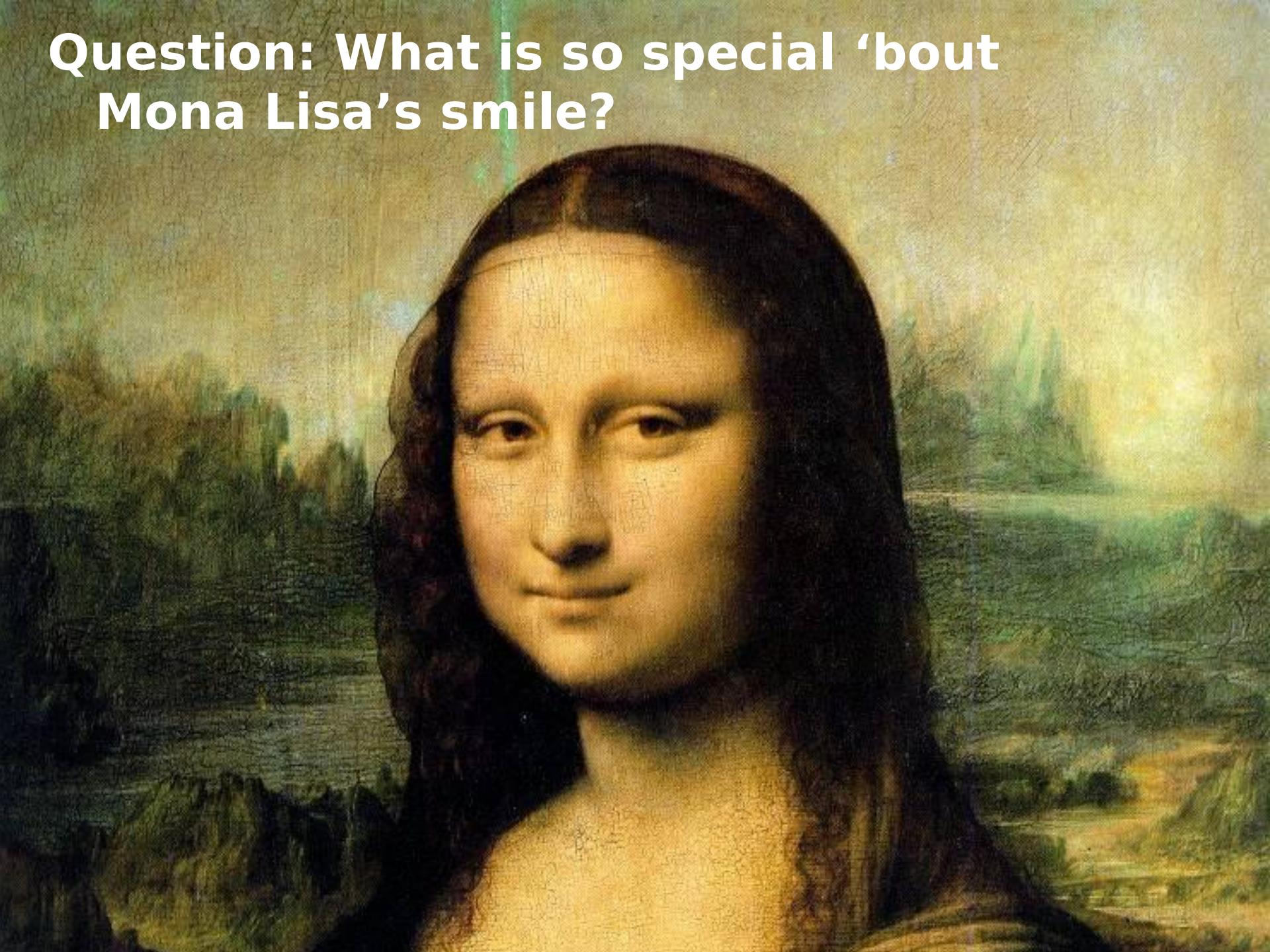


Motivation

Lots of good reasons ...

- Visual information overload
 - Devices (cameras, mobile phones, etc.)
 - Communication (email, mo-blogs, etc.)
- Metadata not available
 - Time consuming
 - No automation

**Question: What is so special ‘bout
Mona Lisa’s smile?**



Semantic Gap

- Defined as
 - Inability of automatic understanding
 - Gap between high- and low-level features / metadata
- Actually hard task for humans also

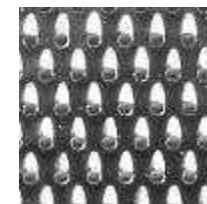
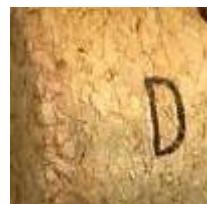


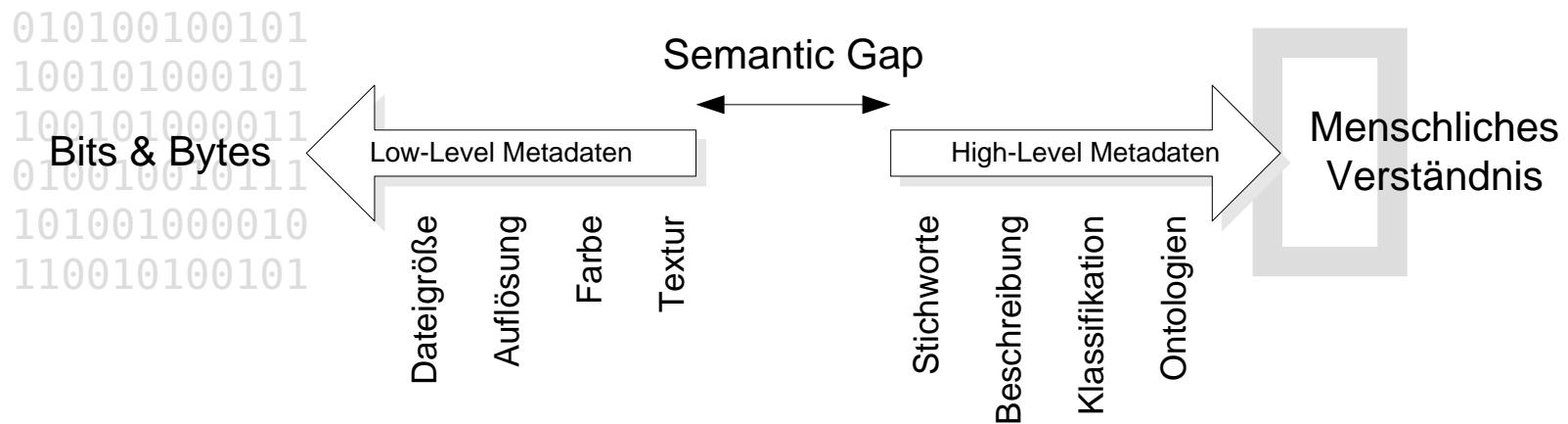
Image Similarity



Are these two images similar?

Semantic Gap (1)

- General Definition: Santini & Jain (1998)



Applications

- Home User & Entertainment
 - Find picture of / from / at
 - Search & browse personal digital library
- Graphics & Desgin
 - Find picture representing something (Color in CD/CI, feeling, etc.)
- Medical Applications
 - Find images for diagnosis, documentation

Applications

- **Biology**
 - Finding similar animals, insects & plants
- **Weather forecasting**
 - Finding similar weather conditions
- **Advertisement**
 - Find similar products

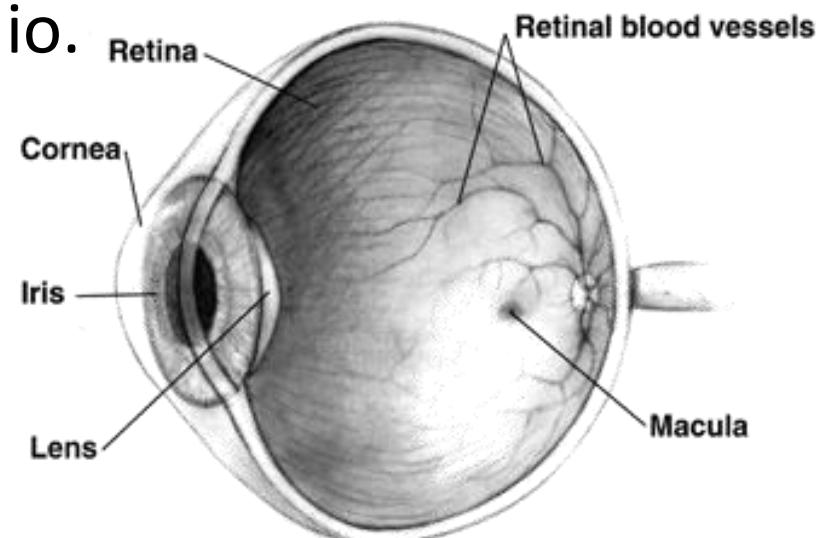
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Perception

- The **eye** as instrument of perception
- Sensory capabilities
 - Cones (bright light): 6-7 Mio.
 - Rods (dim-light): 75-150 Mio.
 - Brain ‘corrects’ vision
 - e.g. blind spot

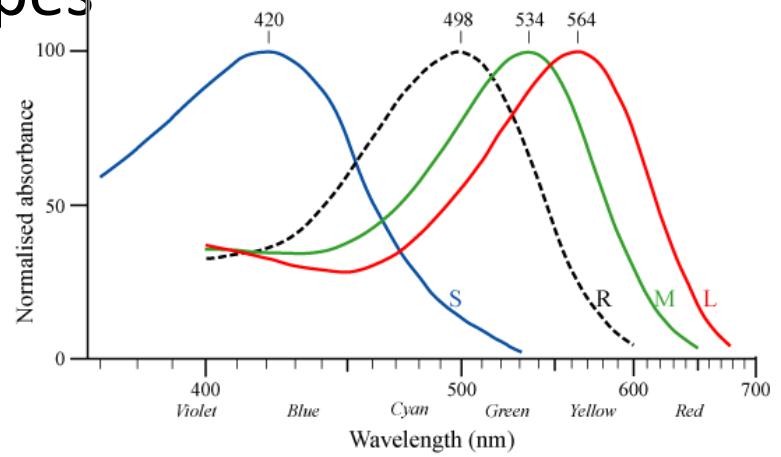


Color & Color Spaces



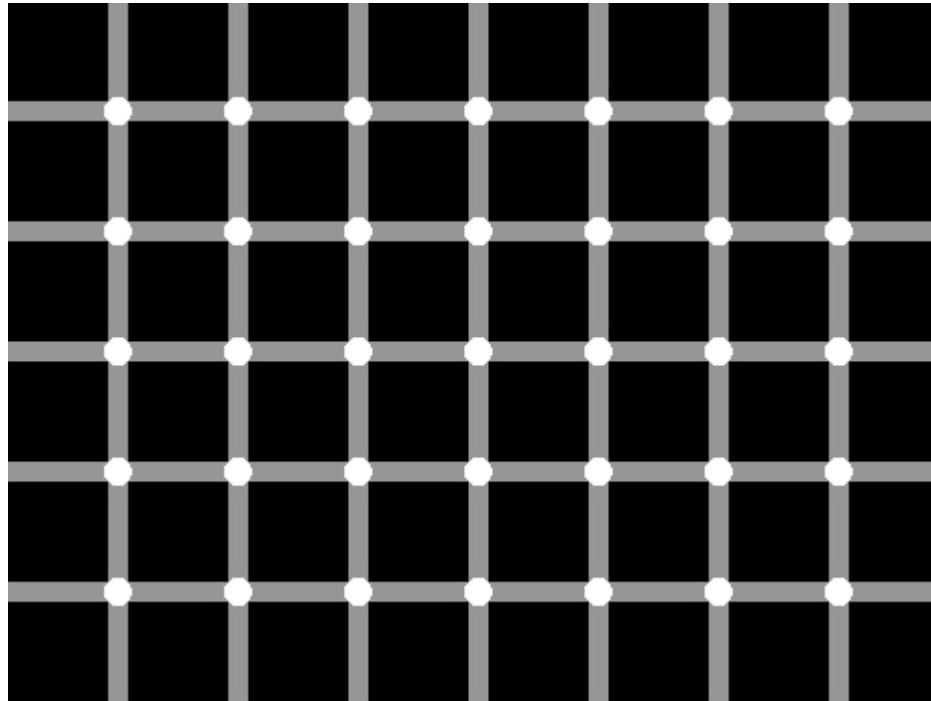
S-, M- and L-cones: Blue, green and red

- RGB based on these three colors
- CIE models perception better
 - Responsiveness of cone types
 - Number of cones / types
 - etc.



The human eye ...

- Count the black dots on the image:



The human eye ...

- Rabbit or duck?



The human eye ...

- Anamorphic illusions



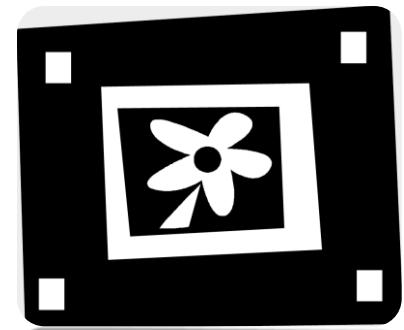
See e.g. <http://users.skynet.be/J.Beever/pave.htm>

Anamorphic Illusions (Julian Beever)



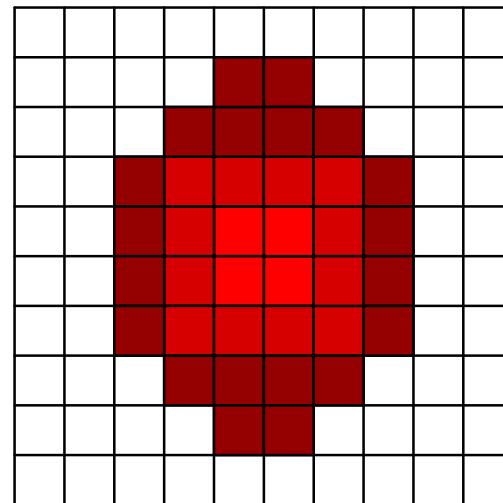
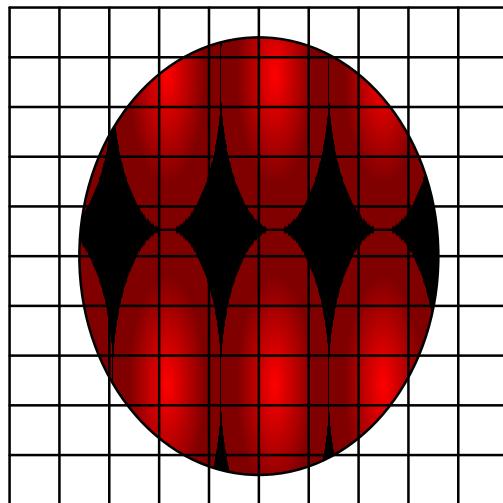
What are (digital) images?

- An Image is
 - Created by a set of photons
 - With different frequency
 - Moving from different sources
 - Along different vectors
 - A representation of sensor unit activation
 - Activated by the set of photons
- Storing an image
 - Based on the set of photons ???



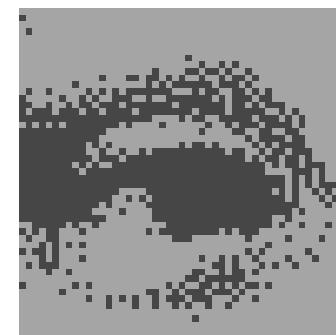
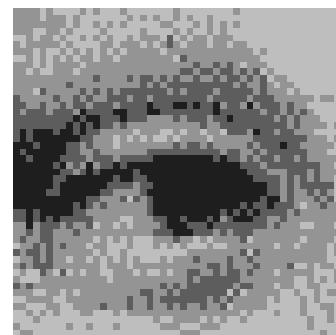
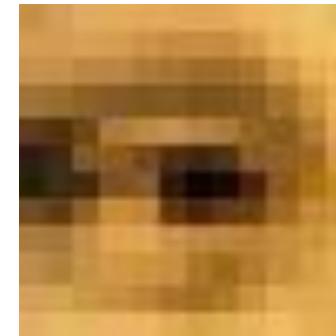
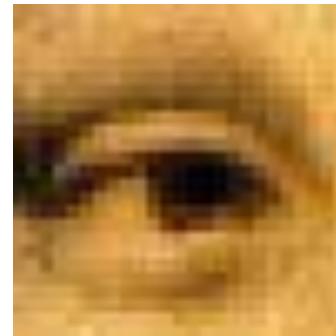
Sampling & Quantization

- Capturing continuous images on sensors
 - Sampling: Continuous to matrix
 - Quantization: Continuous color to value



Sampling & Quantization

- Size of a captured image:
 - # of samples (width*height) * # of colors



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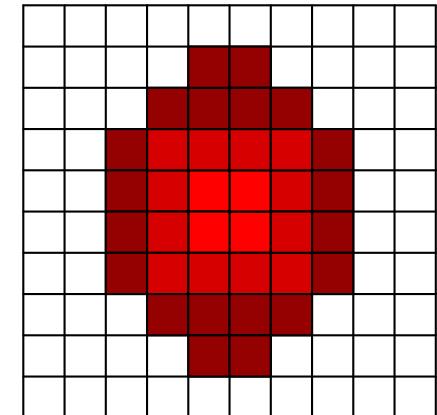
Accessing Pixel Data in Java

```
// opening an image file  
BufferedImage image = ImageIO.read(new File("ferrari-01.jpg"));  
// pixel data is in the raster  
WritableRaster raster = image.getRaster();  
// create an object for the pixel data:  
int[] pixel = new int[3];  
// access pixel data:  
for (int x = 0; x < raster.getWidth(); x++) {  
    for (int y = 0; y < raster.getHeight(); y++) {  
        // access pixel data here ...  
        raster.getPixel(x, y, pixel);  
    }  
}
```



Histogram

- Count the use of different colors
- Algorithm:
 - Allocate int array h with $\text{dim} = \# \text{ of colors}$
 - Visit next pixel \rightarrow it has color with index i
 - Increment $h[i]$
 - IF pixels left THEN goto line 2
- Example: 4 colors, 10×10 pixels
 - histogram: [4, 12, 20, 64]





Histogram

```
int[] histogram = new int[32];  
for (int x = 0; x < raster.getWidth(); x++) {  
    for (int y = 0; y < raster.getHeight(); y++) {  
        histogram[quantize(raster.getPixel(x, y, pixel))]++;  
    }  
}
```

Luminance Histogram

```
public static int quantize(int[] pixel) {  
    int tmp = pixel[0] + pixel[1] + pixel[2];  
    return (int) ((float) tmp / (3f*8f));  
}
```

- Quantizing grey values to 32 bins

Luminance Histogram



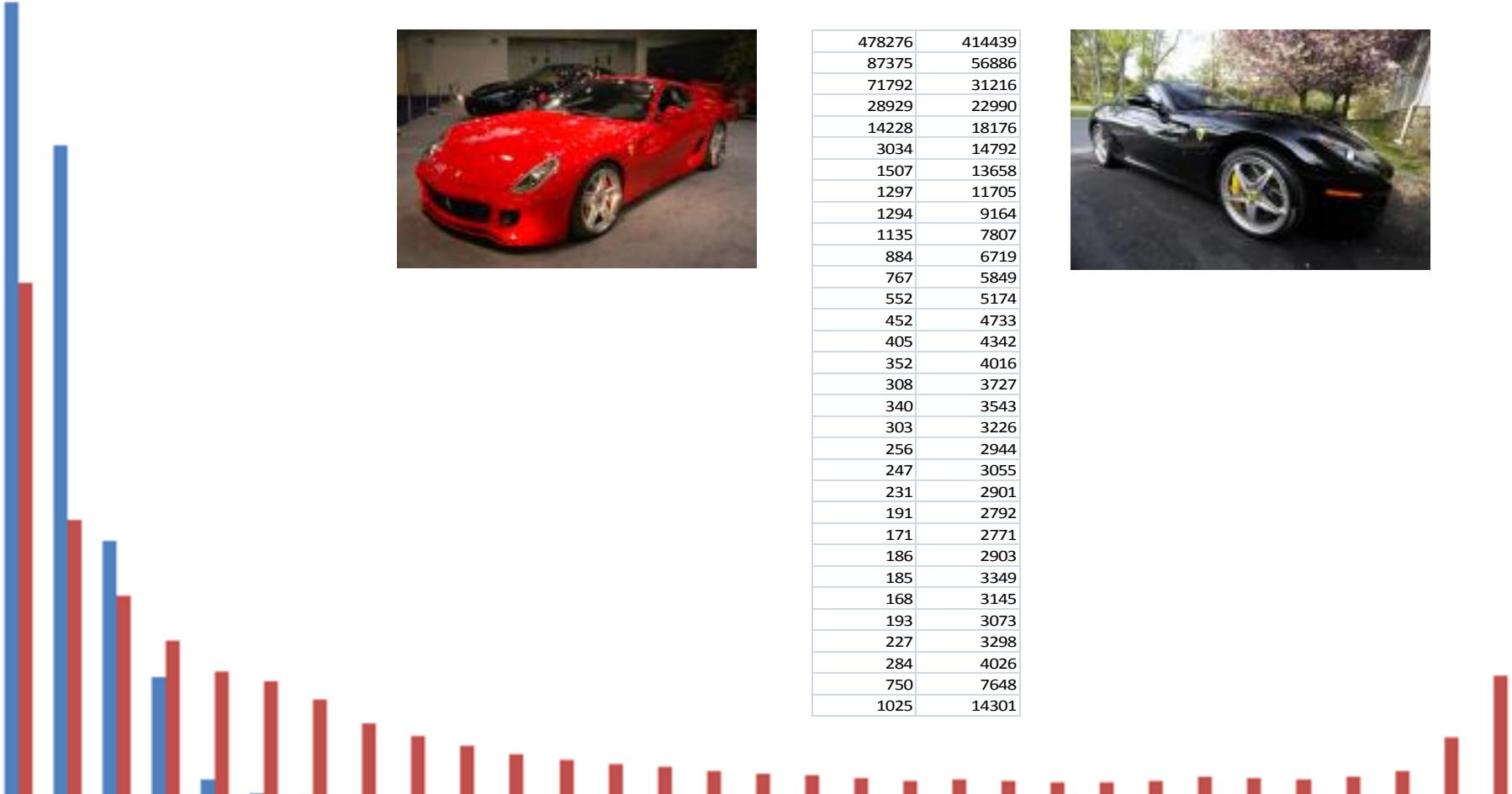
Color Histogram

```
public static int quantize(int[] pixel) {  
    int tmp = pixel[0]*pixel[1]*pixel[2];  
    return (int) ((float) tmp / Math.pow(2, 19));  
}
```

- Quantizing RGB color to 2^5 bins ...
 - Note that this should be based on a palette ...



Color Histogram



Color Histogram

- Strategies:
 - Quantize if too many colors
 - Normalize histogram (different image sizes)
 - Weight colors according to use case
 - Use (part of) color space according to domain
- Distance / Similarity
 - Assumption: All images have the same colors
 - L_1 or L_2 is quite common

Histogram Similarity

- L1 (Manhattan, city block) distance

$$d_1(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = \|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |p_i - q_i|,$$

- L2 (Euclidean) distance

$$d(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = d(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) = \sqrt{(q_1 - p_1)^2 + (q_2 - p_2)^2 + \cdots + (q_n - p_n)^2} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (q_i - p_i)^2}.$$

- Jensen-Shannon Divergence

$$d_{JSD}(H, H') = \sum_{m=1}^M H_m \log \frac{2H_m}{H_m + H'_m} + H'_m \log \frac{2H'_m}{H'_m + H_m}$$

Histogram Similarity

```
// --- L1 ---
distance = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < hist2.length; i++) {
    distance += Math.abs(hist2[i] - hist1[i]);
}
System.out.println("L1 " + distance);
// --- L2 ---
distance = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < hist2.length; i++) {
    distance += (hist2[i] - hist1[i]) * (hist2[i] - hist1[i]);
}
distance = (float) Math.sqrt(distance);
System.out.println("L2 " + distance);
// --- JSD ---
distance = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < hist2.length; i++) {
    distance += (float) hist1[i] * Math.log(2f * (float) hist1[i] / ((float) hist1[i] + (float) hist2[i])) +
                (float) hist2[i] * Math.log(2f * (float) hist2[i] / ((float) hist1[i] + (float) hist2[i]));
}
distance = (float) Math.sqrt(distance);
System.out.println("JSD " + distance);
```

Histogram Similarity

- Luminance

- L1 436406.0
- L2 77265.8
- JSD 343.3



- RGB Color

- L1 82706.0
- L2 58174.6
- JSD 281.5

Color Histogram

- Benefits
 - Easy to compute, not depending on pixel order
 - Matches human perception quite well
 - Quantization allows to scale size of histogram
 - Invariant to (lossless) rotation & reflection
- Disadvantages
 - Distribution of colors not taken into account
 - Image scaling changes color

Dominant Color

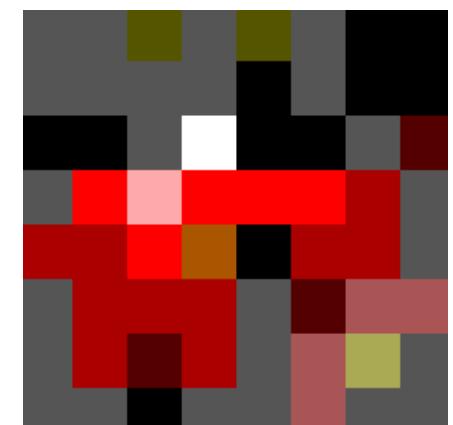
- Reduce histogram to dominant colors
 - e.g. for 64 colors c0-c63:
 - image 1: c12 -> 23%, c33 -> 6%, c2 -> 2%
 - image 2: c11 -> 43%, c2 -> 12%, c54 -> 10%
- Distance function in 2 aspects:
 - Difference in amount (percentage)
 - Difference between colors (c11 vs. c12)
- Further aspects:
 - Diversity and distribution

Dominant Color

- Benefits:
 - Small feature vectors
 - Easily understandable & intuitive
 - Similarity of color pairs (light vs. dark red, etc.)
 - Invariant to rotation & reflection
- Disadvantages
 - Similarity of color pairs no trivial problem
 - Dominant colors might not represent semantics

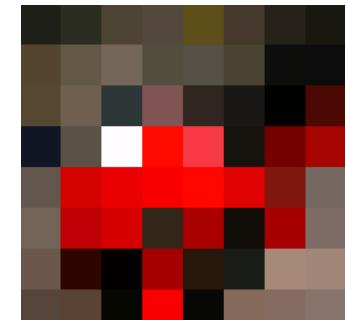
Color Distribution

- Index dominant color in image segment
 - e.g. $8 \times 8 = 64$ image segments
 - feature vector has 64 dimensions
 - One for each segment
 - color index is the entry on segment dimension
 - e.g. 16 colors [2, 0, 3, 3, 8, 4, ...]



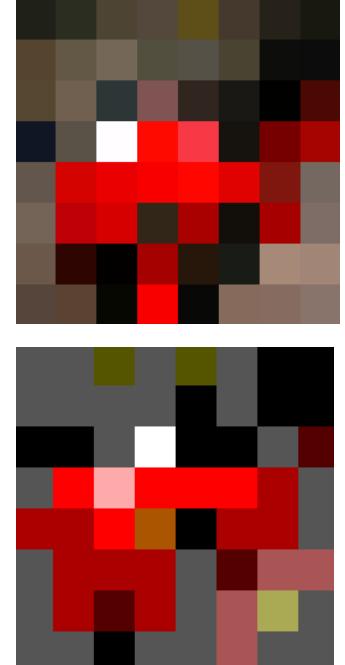
Color Distribution

```
BufferedImage image = ImageIO.read(new File("ferrari-01.jpg"));
// created instance of scaled image:
BufferedImage scaled = new
    BufferedImage(8,8,BufferedImage.TYPE_INT_RGB);
// scale image (hardware acceleration)
scaled.getGraphics().drawImage(image,
    0, 0, 8, 8,                                // destination
    0, 0, image.getWidth(), image.getHeight(), // source
    null);
```

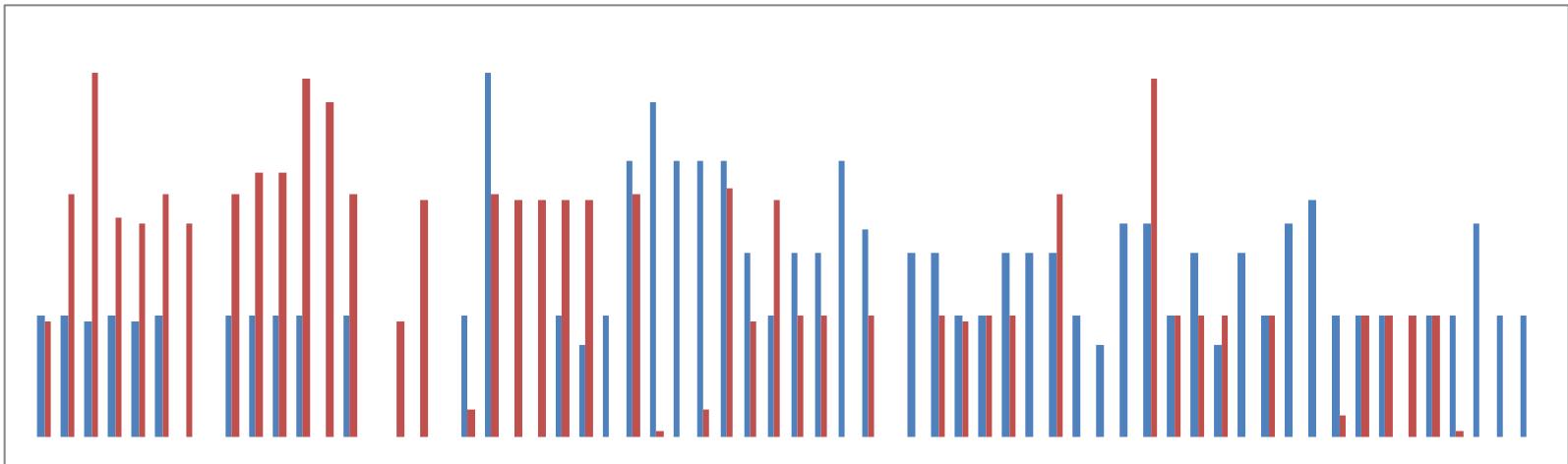
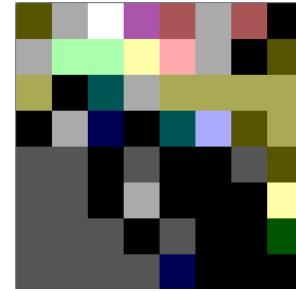
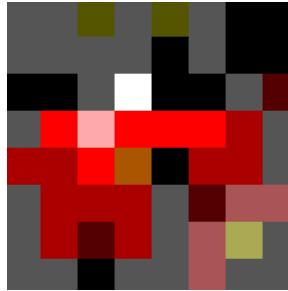


Color Distribution

```
// quantize and create histogram
WritableRaster raster = scaled.getRaster();
int[] hist = new int[64];
// temporary objects (speed)
int[] pixel = new int[3];
int tmp;
for (int x = 0; x < raster.getWidth(); x++) {
    for (int y = 0; y < raster.getHeight(); y++) {
        raster.getPixel(x,y,pixel);
        tmp = quantize(pixel);
        hist[y*8+x]=tmp;
        // set pixel in scale version for visualization:
        raster.setPixel(x,y,ColorHistogram.palette64[tmp]);
    }
}
```



Color Distribution



Color Distribution

- **Similarity**
 - L_1 or L_2 are commonly used
- **Benefits**
 - Works fine for many scenarios
 - clouds in the sky, portrait photos, etc.
 - Mostly invariant to scaling
- **Disadvantages**
 - Colors might not represent semantics
 - Find quantization fitting to domain / perception
 - Rotation & reflection are a problem



Color Correlogram

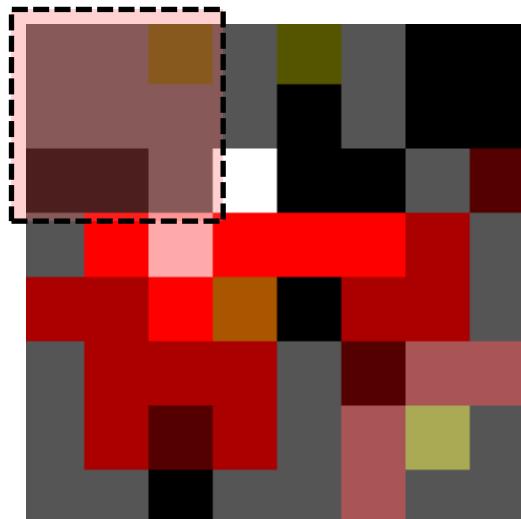
- Histogram on
 - how often **specific colors** occur
 - in the **neighbourhood** of each other
- Histogram size is $(\# \text{ of colors})^2$
 - For each color an array of neighboring colors

Color Correlogram

	red	green	blue
red	12	3	14
green	3	16	8
blue	14	8	23

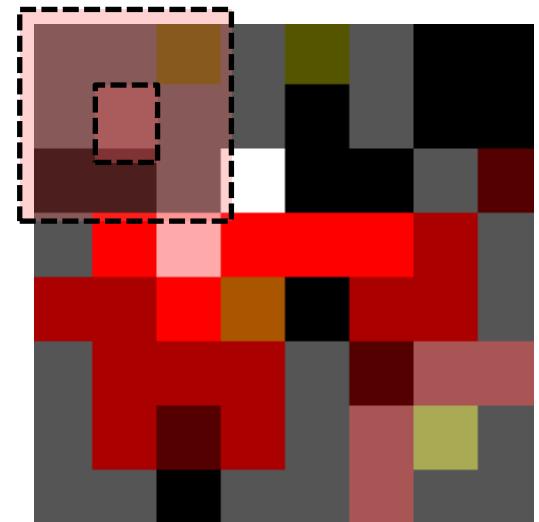
For red pixels we find 3 green pixels all over the image in a neighborhood p.

Color Correlogram



Color Correlogram

- For each window position
- Consider center color
- Add surrounding colors to histogram





Color Correlogram

- Extraction algorithm
 - Allocate array $h[\#colors][\#colors]$ all zero
 - Visit next pixel p
 - For each pixel q in neighborhood of p :
 - increment $h[\text{color}(p)][\text{color}(q)]$
 - IF pixels left THEN goto line 2
- Algorithm is rather slow
 - Depends on size of neighborhood
 - Typically determined by city block (L1) distance

Color Correlogram

- Auto Color Correlogram
 - Just indexing how often $\text{color}(p)$ occurs in neighborhood of pixel p
 - Simplifies the histogram to size # of colors
 - Measure e.g. how red comes with red etc.

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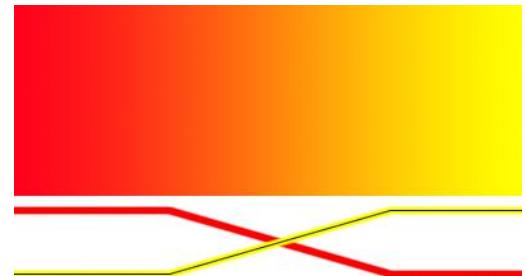
- **Similarity**
 - L_1 or L_2 are commonly used
- **Benefits**
 - Integrates color as well as distribution
 - Works fine for many scenarios
 - Mostly invariant to rotation & reflection
- **Disadvantages**
 - Find appropriate neighborhood size
 - Find quantization fitting to domain / perception
 - Rather slow indexing / extraction

Color Correlogram

- Integrating different pixel features to correlate
 - **Gradient Magnitude** (intensity of change in the direction of maximum change)
 - **Rank** (intensity variation within a neighborhood of a pixel)
 - **Texturedness** (number of pixels exceeding a certain level in a neighborhood)

Fuzzy Color Histogram

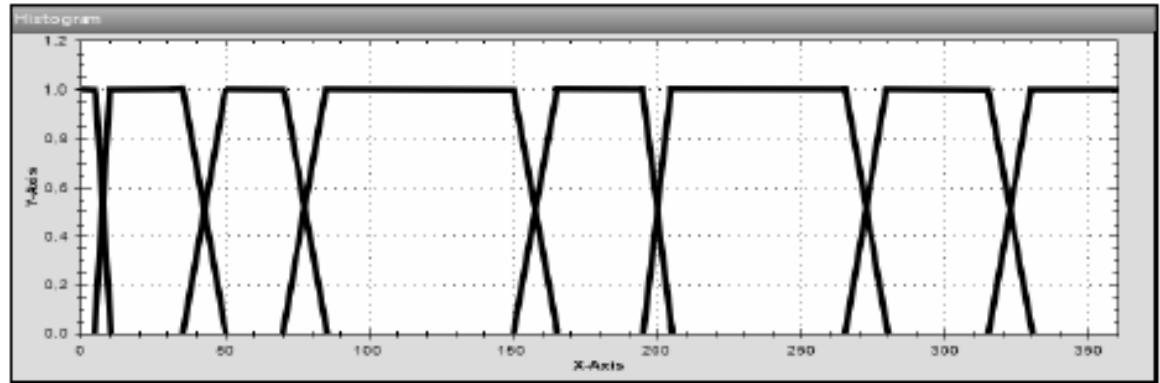
- Binary decision not necessary
- Pixel can be half red, half yellow
- Fuzziness:
 - membership functions $m_i(r,g,b)$
 - For each bin i : $m_i(r,g,b) \in [0,1]$
 - Sum of all $m_i = 1$.



Fuzzy Color Histogram (FCTH)



- Fuzzy membership function for HSV in FCTH
 - (0) Red to Orange
 - (1) Orange
 - (2) Yellow
 - (3) Green
 - (4) Cyan
 - (5) Blue
 - (6) Magenta
 - (7) Blue to Red

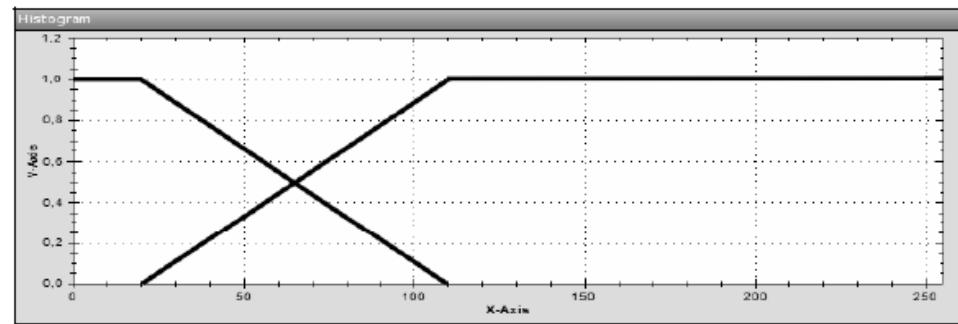


S. A. Chatzichristofis and Y. S. Boutalis, "FCTH: FUZZY COLOR AND TEXTURE HISTOGRAM A LOW LEVEL FEATURE FOR ACCURATE IMAGE RETRIEVAL", WIAMIS IEEE 2008

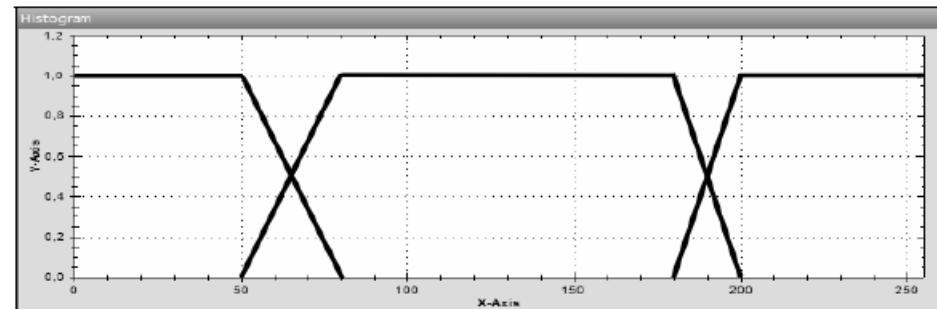
Fuzzy Color Histogram (FCTH)



- Saturation: white vs. color



- Value: black vs. grey vs. color



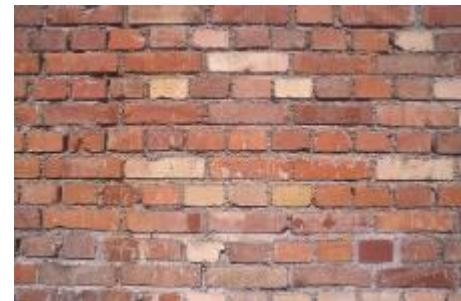
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Texture & Shape Features

- Indexing non color features in image
 - Outlines, edges of regions
 - Overall characteristics like coarseness and regularity



Spatial Filtering

- Methods for *enhancing* the image
- Normally a kernel or filter is used:
 - A matrix which is applied to the image
 - In a linear transformation

Spatial Filtering

194	128	102	197	69
162	68	103	144	115
121	85	57	27	14
24	183	192	239	150
92	93	154	138	170



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1/9	1/9	1/9
1/9	1/9	1/9
1/9	1/9	1/9

Spatial Filtering

- This is a simple smoothing kernel
- Other operations
 - Sharpen
 - Gradient
 - ...



Edge Detection

- Spatial Filtering with Sobel Kernel

```
// read image
BufferedImage image = ImageIO.read(new File("ferrari-01.jpg"));
// converting to grey
image = convertImageToGrey(image);
// spatial filtering
BufferedImage filteredImage =
    new BufferedImage(image.getWidth(), image.getHeight(), image.getType());
// create Sobel kernel
Kernel kernel = new Kernel(3, 3, new float[] {1,2,1,0,0,0,-1,-2,-1});
ConvolveOp op = new ConvolveOp(kernel);
// filter image
op.filter(image, filteredImage);
```



Convert to grey in Java

```
WritableRaster inRaster = image.getRaster();
BufferedImage result = new BufferedImage(image.getWidth(), image.getHeight(),
    BufferedImage.TYPE_BYTE_GRAY);
WritableRaster outRaster = result.getRaster();
int[] p = new int[3];
float v = 0;
for (int x = 0; x < inRaster.getWidth(); x++) {
    for (int y = 0; y < inRaster.getHeight(); y++) {
        inRaster.getPixel(x, y, p);
        v = Math.round((p[0] + p[1] + p[2])/3f);
        for (int i = 0; i < p.length; i++) {
            p[i] = (int) v;
        }
        outRaster.setPixel(x,y, p);
    }
}
```

Edge Detection



Edge Detection

- Apply two Kernels
 - with results L_x and L_y
- Then compute the gradient magnitude

$$|\nabla L| = \sqrt{L_x^2 + L_y^2}$$

- Edge direction: $\arctan(L_y/L_x)$

1	2	1
0	0	0
-1	-2	-1

1	0	-1
2	0	-2
1	0	-1

Edge Detection



Tamura Features

Tamura & Mori (1978)

- Widely used in CBIR
 - E.g. IBM QBIC
- 6 texture features
 - Coarseness, contrast, directionality
 - Line-likeness, regularity, and roughness
- Good overview is provided in:
 - Thomas Deselaers, “Features for Image Retrieval”, Thesis, RWTH Aachen, Dec. 2003

Tamura Features

Tamura & Mori (1978)



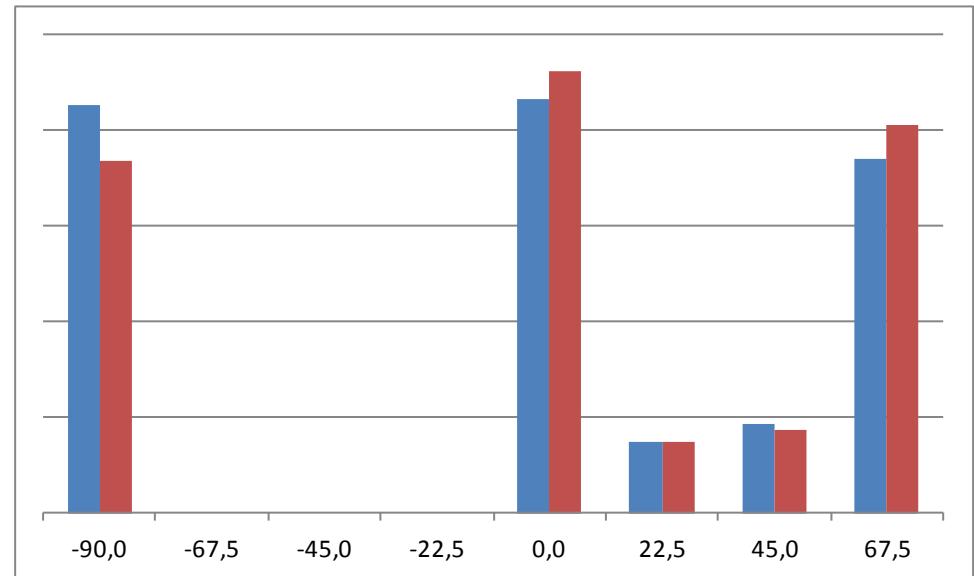
- Coarseness
 - Pixel diversity in neighborhoods
- Contrast
 - Using mean and variance of an image
- Directionality
 - Horizontal and vertical derivatives (like Sobel)

Directionality Histogram

```
// 8-bin directionality histogram ..  
int hist[] = new int[8];  
for (int i = 0; i < hist.length; i++)  
    hist[i] = 0;  
  
for (int x = 0; x < rasterX.getWidth(); x++) {  
    for (int y = 0; y < rasterX.getHeight(); y++) {  
        rasterX.getPixel(x,y,pixelX);  
        rasterY.getPixel(x,y,pixelY);  
        // compute directionality histogram:  
        double tmpAngle = Math.PI/2 + Math.atan((double) pixelY[0] / (double) pixelX[0]);  
        tmpAngle = Math.floor(8d * tmpAngle / Math.PI);  
        tmpAngle = Math.min(7d, tmpAngle);  
        hist[((int) tmpAngle)]++;  
    }  
}
```

Directionality Histogram

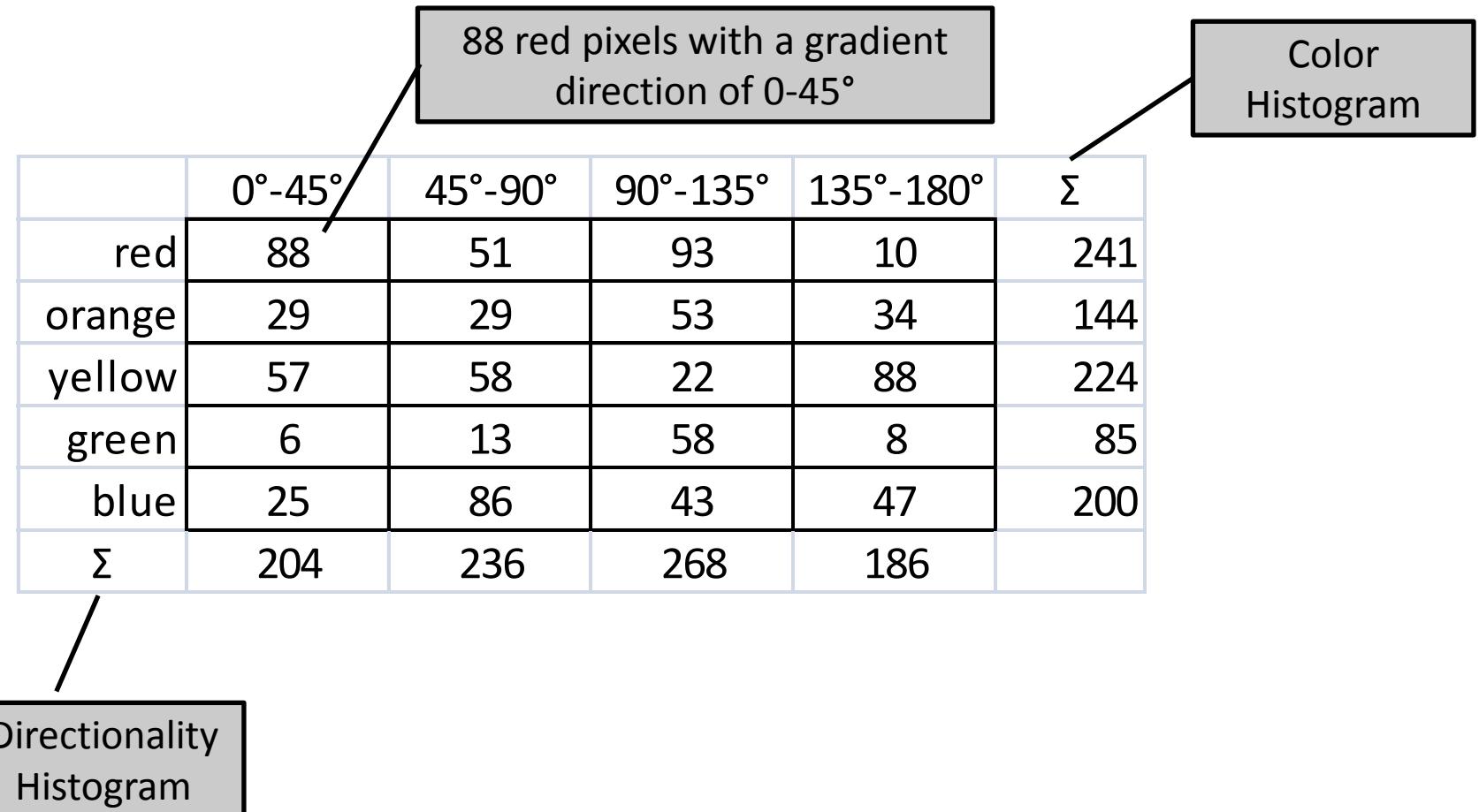
- Angle histogram with 8 bins
- [-90, -67.5), [-67.5, -45), ...



Joint Histograms

- Color & texture properties per pixel
 - E.g. color (8 bins) + gradient (4 bins)
- E.g. directionality histogram per color bin
 - I.e. 4 times a color histogram

Joint Histogram



Joint Histograms

- Strategies
 - Find good texture properties
 - Minimize overall number of bins
- Benefits
 - Works better than pure color histograms
- Disadvantages
 - Typically slower extraction
 - Higher number of bins

Linear Search

- Corpus contains K images,
- Represented by feature vectors
 - f_k with k in $[0, K-1]$
- We have a distance funktion
 - $d(f_i, f_j) \rightarrow [0, \inf]$

Linear Search

- Given a query q
 - also being a feature vector
- Find a
 - ranked list of
 - the $n < K$ most relevant images
 - having minimum distance to the query

Linear Search - Approach

- Create an “index”
 - a list of feature vectors -> image file
- With a query
 - traverse list
 - (re-) order result set with fixed length

Linear Search - Complexity

- Given
 - an index of K image feature vectors
 - searching for N relevant images
- Complexity is based on
 - Taking a look at each of the K images
 - modifying a sorted list of N relevant images
- If N is “small” then
 - complexity is $O(K)$

Linear Search: How it is done in Lire



- Lire uses Lucene for storage on HDD
 - Lucene Document object
 - Lucene Field for image file path and features
- DocumentBuilder class
 - creates Document from BufferedImage
 - returns Document
 - encapsulates feature extraction
 - stores file path in text field
 - stores feature in byte[] payload

Linear Search: How it is done in Lire



- **ImageSearcher**
 - encapsulates feature
 - opens each Lucene Document
 - parses byte[] payload (done in LireFeature)
 - compares feature to query
 - manages result list
 - returns results

Linear Search: How it is done in Lire

- ImageSearcher code (Lire):

```
int docs = reader.numDocs();
for (int i = 0; i < docs; i++) {
    // bugfix by Roman Kern
    if (hasDeletions && reader.isDeleted(i)) {
        continue;
    }

    Document d = reader.document(i);
    float distance = getDistance(d, lireFeature);
    assert (distance >= 0);
    // ... adapting result list
}
```

Linear Search: How it is done in Lire



- Lucene
 - provides really fast file I/O
 - index management & additional text search
- Lire
 - generic use of different feature vectors
 - encapsulates (some) Lucene functions
- Runtime
 - 121,379 images indexed with CEDD
 - took 0.33 seconds search time

Exercise 04

- Program a joint histogram feature
 - fuzzy color histogram
 - some texture feature
 - e.g. edge direction, intensity, contrast
 - see “Features for Image Retrieval”,
<http://goo.gl/rwZAM>
- Do a linear search on the Ferrari data set



Thank you ...

... for your attention