

# How Can I Index My Thousands of Photos Effectively and Automatically?

An Unsupervised Feature Selection Approach



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# If given only one photo as



What if it is hidden in thousands of photos as

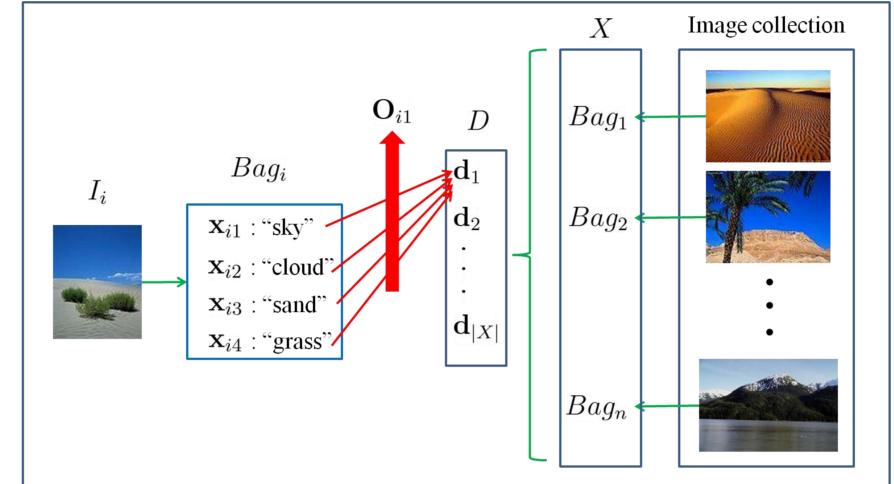


## **Great!**

Computer will figure out what you have **Effectively and automatically!** 

### Tell what you have SEMANTICALLY

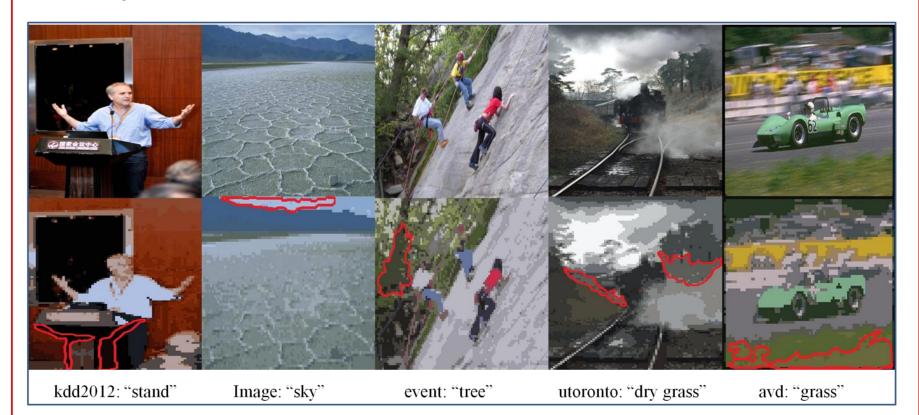
Meaningful tags for human beings like "sky"



Multi-instance multi-label learning [Zhou et al., Al 2012] Image segmentation [Wang et al., PAMI 2001]

## Empirical study

Example of the 1<sup>st</sup> selected dimension



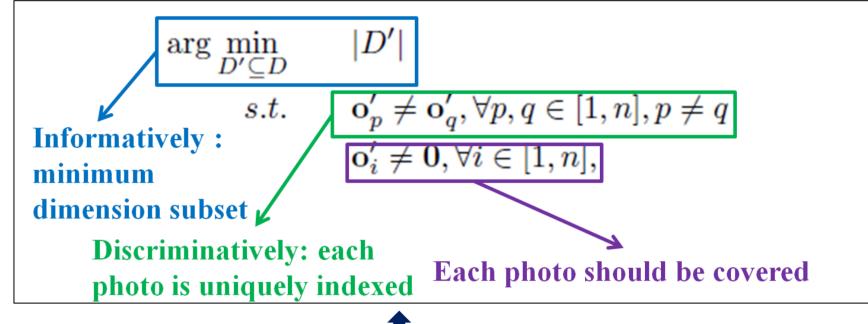
#### #dimensions used

			Method			CPU time (sec)		
Data set	#Images	#Candidates	Our	RSF	RSB	Our	RSF	RSB
kdd2012	1,503	20, 251	64	935	20,098	54.08	61.55	211.17
Image	2,000	24,923	72	612	24,757	105.28	119.25	420.07
event	1,579	21,992	65	463	21,829	64.89	70.18	293.73
utoronto	1,998	25,116	69	812	24,976	125.37	203.34	314.07
avd	3,979	56,900	77	1,834	56,561	569.43	613.27	2,021.5

#### Tell what you have DISCRIMINATIVELY & INFORMATIVELY

#### Problem formulation

- Candidate dimension set *D*
- Photo representation  $O \in \{0,1\}^{n \times |D|}$
- Assume each photo is unique on *D*

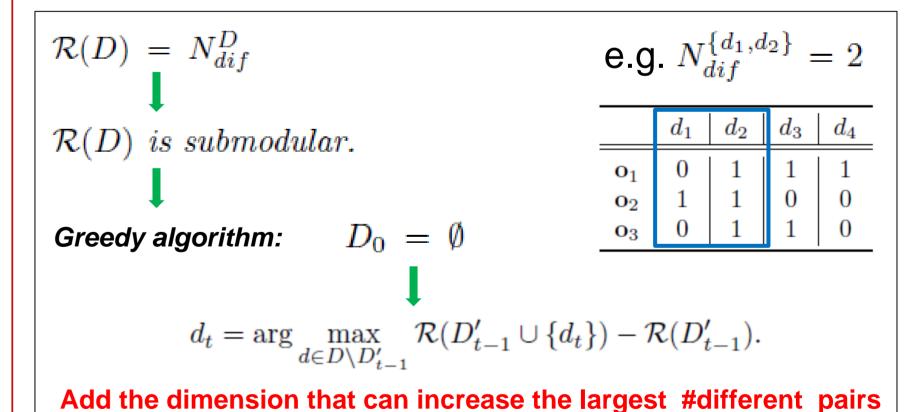


# **Problem Transformation**

 $\arg\max_{D'\subseteq D}$ **Minimum subset** introduces largest **#different pairs** 

 $N_{dif}^{D'}$  $N_{dif}^{D^0} < N_{dif}^{D'}, \forall D^0 \subseteq D, |D^0| < |D'|$  $\mathbf{o}_i' \neq \mathbf{0}, \forall i \in [1, n],$ 

# **Algorithm**



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