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- Modality Classification task
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IBM Multi-Lab Group @ ImageCLEF 2013

- In 2013: **multi-lab collaboration** to solve the tasks
 - Australia and TJWatson on Modality Classification and Retrieval tasks
 - Haifa involved in Compound Figure Segmentation task

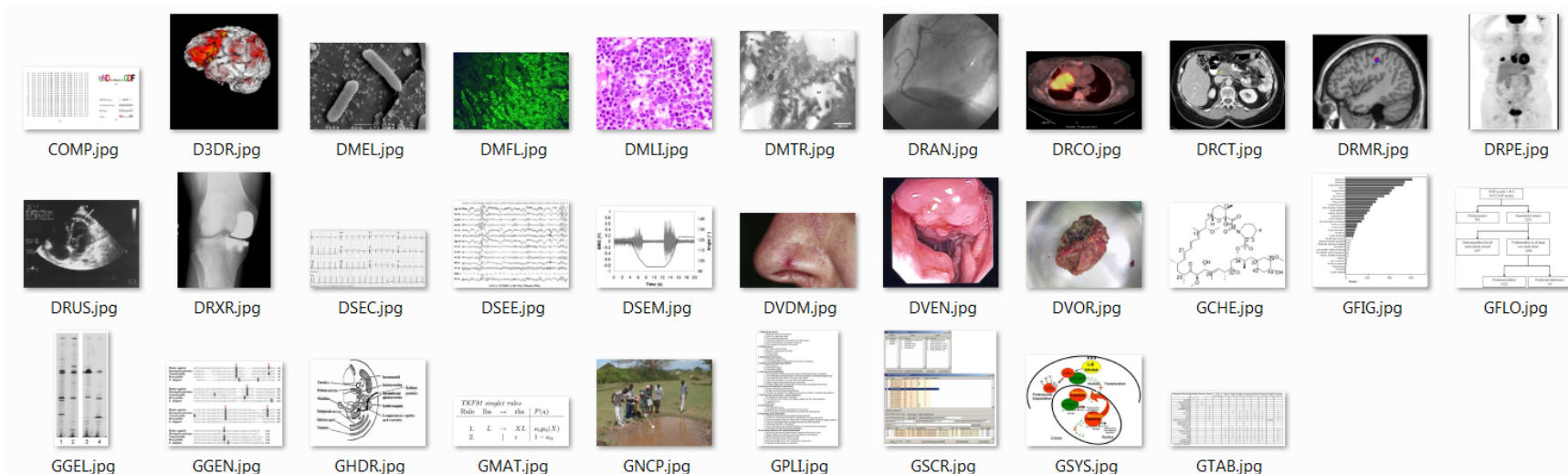
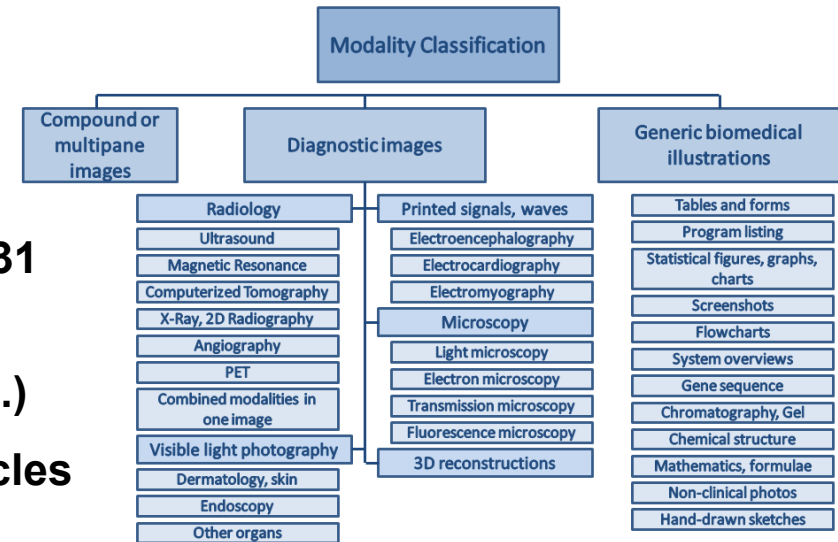


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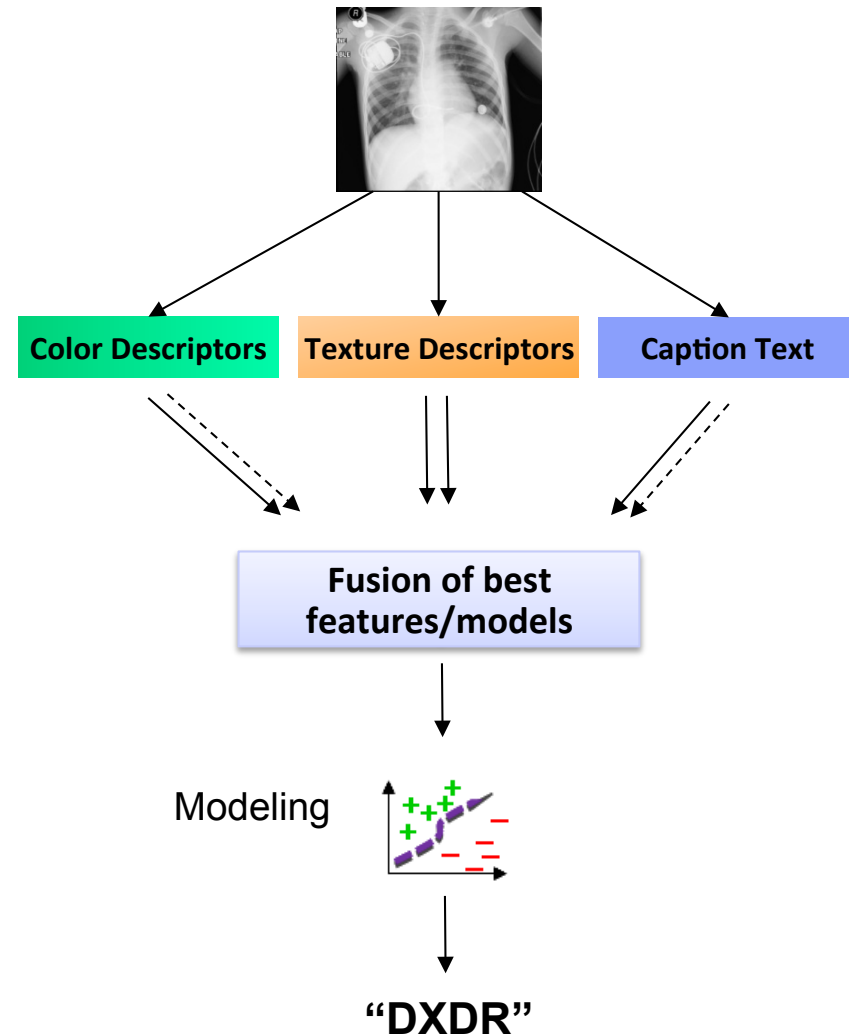
ImageCLEF Medical Imaging Modality Classification Task

- ❑ In user-studies, clinicians have indicated that **modality** is one of the most important filters that they would employ for search
- ❑ **TASK:** given an image, determine to which out of 31 medical and non-medical modalities it belongs
 - ❑ 31 categories (x-ray, CT scan, ultrasound, etc.)
 - ❑ Images obtained from 300K real Pubmed articles
 - ❑ In 2013: 2,845 Training / 2,582 Test images



Modality Classification Task – General Approach

- Extract **several** descriptors (features)
 - **Visual** (for texture, color and edges, at multiple granularities)
 - **Textual** (from captions, articles)
- **Selection** of best features based on held out (validation) set performance
- Learn multi-class image classifier on **fusion** of selected descriptors/ approaches

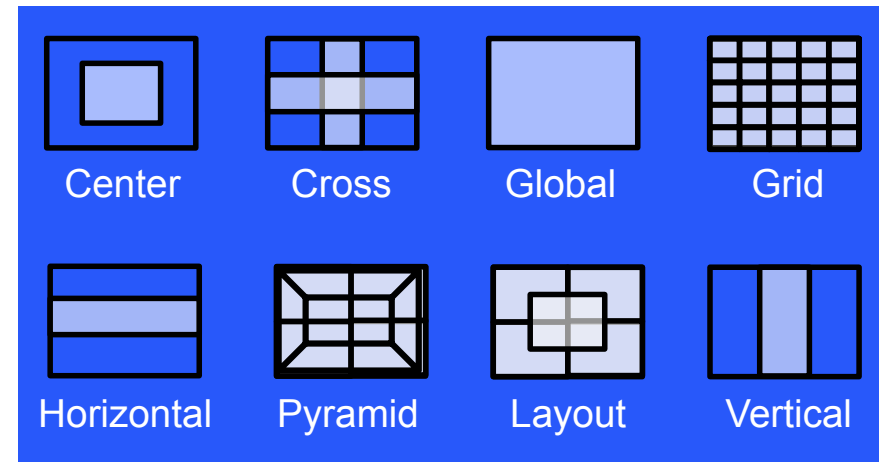


Modality Classification Task – Visual Descriptors

■ Global descriptors

- Color histogram
 - Color correlogram
 - Edge histogram
 - GIST
 - Curvelet Texture
 - Fourier Orientation
 - FourierPolarPyramid
 - Thumbnail Vector
 - Image Type, Stats
- } Color
- } Edge
- } Fourier-texture
- } Global statistics

Granularities

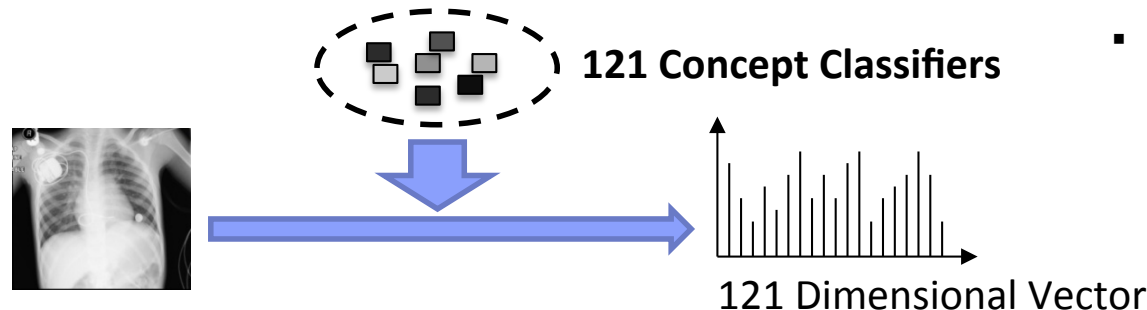


■ Local descriptors

- LBP histogram : 58 uniform + 1 non-uniform codes
- SIFT : different interest point detectors, Bag-of-Words codebooks+ soft assignment
- Color SIFT (RGB-SIFT, HSV-SIFT, C-SIFT)

Modality Classification Task – Semantic Model Vector

- Set of 121 medical semantic concept classifiers constructed from training data collected from various sources (IRMA, TCIA, JSRT, Web Crawl)
- Classifiers trained using the IMARS learning framework
 - cover a range of radiological modalities, body regions, views, and some instances of disease pathology
- Classifiers responses concatenated into a 121 dimensional vector for each image

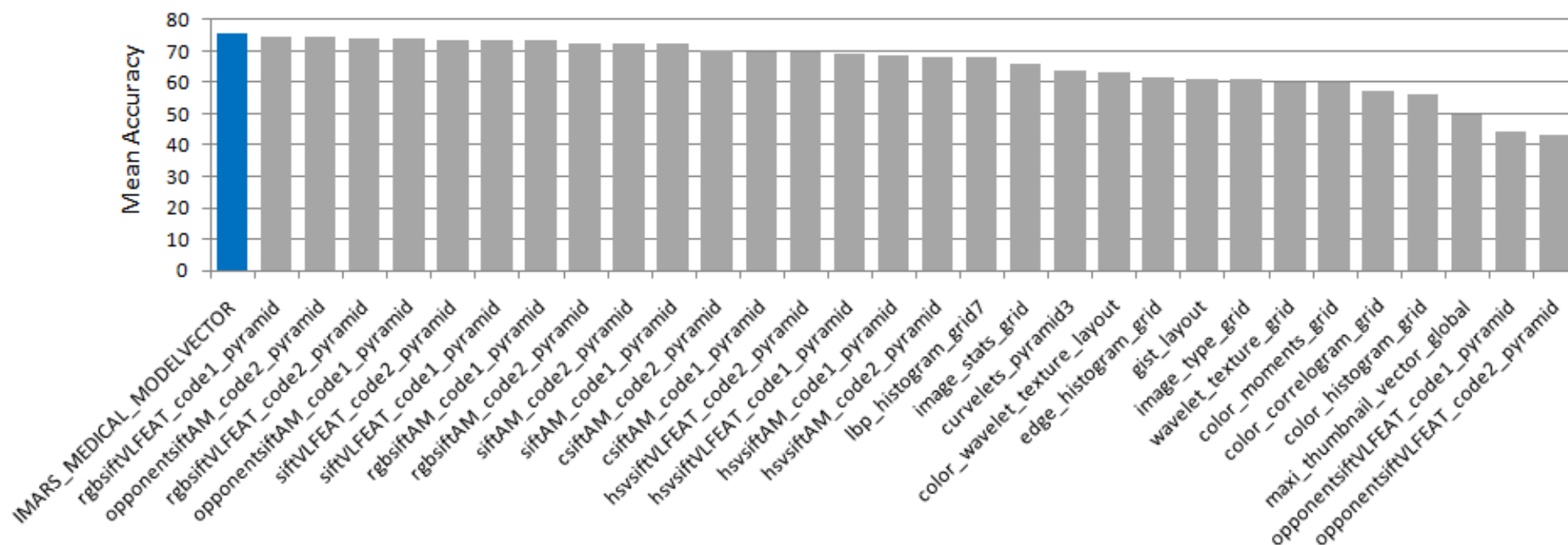


Training Datasets

- IRMA
 - X-Ray, Various Regions
 - 15,000 images
 - 193 categories (Modality, Organ, View)
- TCIA
 - 1,000,000+ images (30+ GB)
 - 17+ Categories (Modality, Body Region, View, Disease)
- JRST
 - X-Ray, Chest
 - 247 images, 154 lung cancer, 93 normal
- Cornell Datasets
 - CT, Chest
 - 25,000 images (11 GB)
- Web Crawl
 - 7,600 images
 - 49 categories (Modality, Organ, View, Disease)
- Cardiac Atlas (TBA)
 - Over 3,000 cases over decades.

Modality Classification Task – Visual Descriptors

- Mean Accuracy measured on official Test Set
- **Medical Semantic Model Vector** is the Best individual descriptor



Modality Classification Task – Textual Analysis

Modality Tailored Keywords

■ Representation

- Over 400 **text patterns** (full words, fragments of words, or multi-word phrases)
- Vocabulary terms hand selected by perusing roughly half of captions in the training set
- Between 2 and 51 patterns selected for each modality, then **combined** into one big feature list
- Related phrases such as *fluorescent*, *immunofluorescence*, and *Alexafluor* merged to variabilized patterns such as ***fluor***
- Asterisks at the front and/or back match an arbitrary number of characters up to the first token delimiter
- Patterns with all capital letters were only matched to text that was fully capitalized

■ Modeling

- The **text-based classifier** built on top of this representation generates a likelihood score for each modality based on the presence or absence of a number of key words.
- The number of hits (or an absence of a hit) for each term is **weighted** by a pseudo-probabilistic model derived from the known modalities of the training examples.
- Conditional probability of seeing a term given a particular modality is divided by that term's background probability.

Fragments of term list

- Pattern syntax
 - Can have variable (*) front and/or back but not middle
 - All capital term must be all capitals in text to match
- Complete list
 - Not segregated by modality (all lumped together)
 - Over 400 terms (best if no repeats)

COMP

each
panel*
plots
Images
f

DMFL

fluor
flour
immunostain*
spectral confocal micro*

DMLI

peripheral blood smear
dark field
HE
H&E
H & E

DRMR

MRI
magnetic resonance
T1*
gadolinium

DVDM

skin
derm*
psori*
papul*
melanoma*

GGEN

sequence
align*
amino-acid*
codon

Modality Classification Task – Textual Analysis

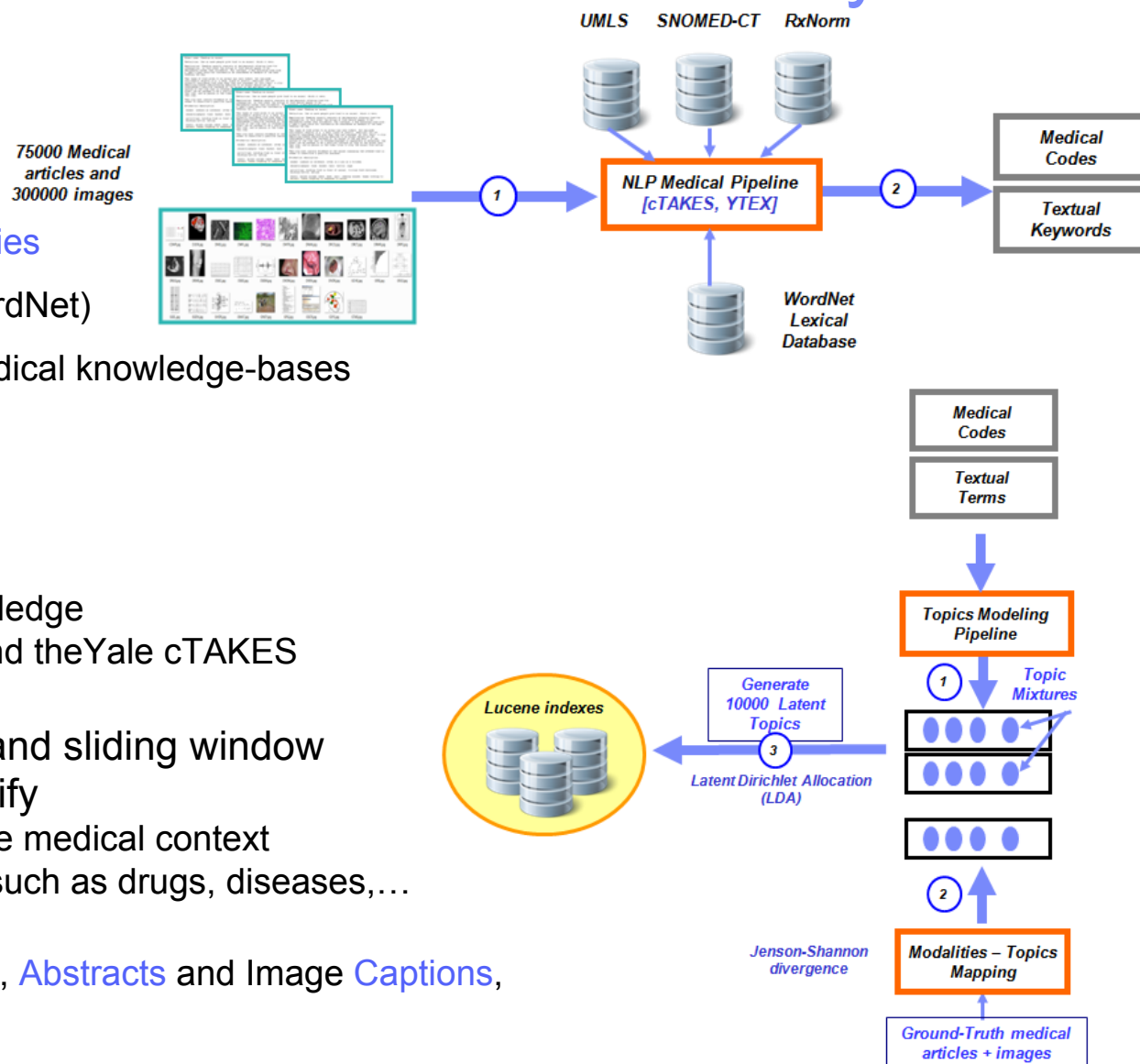
Ontology Based Vocabulary

■ Representation

- Terms from two types of **Ontologies**
 - **General** lexical ontology (WordNet)
 - **Medical specific** domains medical knowledge-bases

■ Modeling

- NLP pipeline that consist of
 - WordNet lexical relations
 - Clinical Text Analysis and Knowledge Extraction System (cTAKES) and theYale cTAKES
- Word-sense disambiguation and sliding window based part-of-speech to identify
 - relationships among words in the medical context
 - types of clinical named entities such as drugs, diseases,...
- Lucene indexing on Articles **Titles**, **Abstracts** and Image **Captions**, TF-IDF weight
- Modality classification based on modality *search*

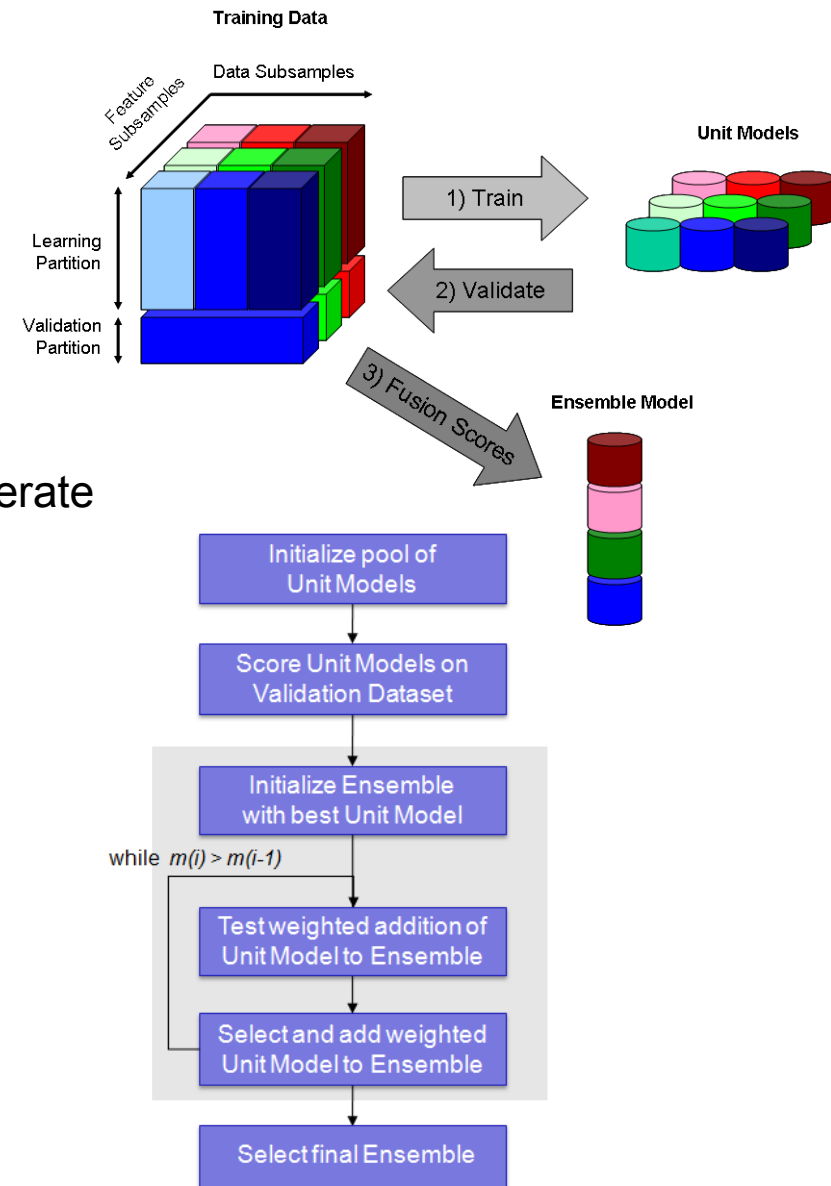


Modality Classification Task - Modeling and Fusion Strategies

- IMARS MODELING
- Two level SVM + Kernel Approximation
- Meta Classifiers
- Early (Kernel) and Late Fusion

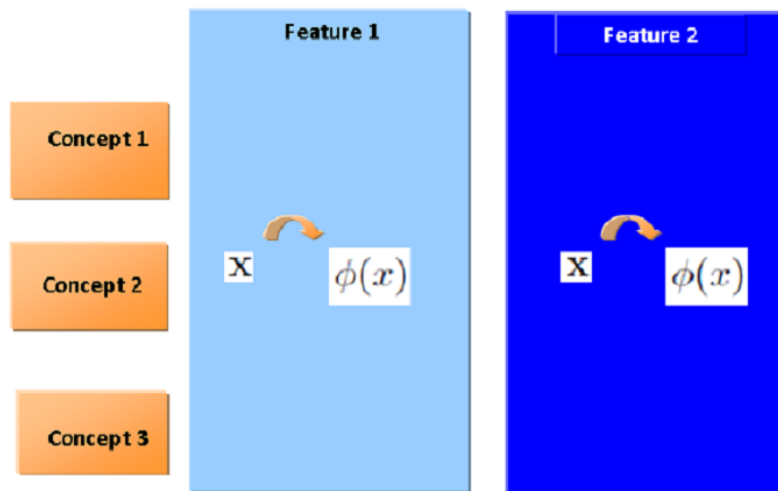
Modality Classification Task – IMARS Modeling

- Train collection of Unit Models on various subsets of data, image granularities, and features
 - Each Unit Model on its own is “weak”
 - highly under-sampled entity
 - Collection of Unit Models can be “strong”
 - cover most of the data/feature space
 - Forward model selection **Fusion** strategy to generate strong **Ensemble Classifier**
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- **1 Vs All** classifiers learned for each class
 - **Max pooling** used for multiclass classification

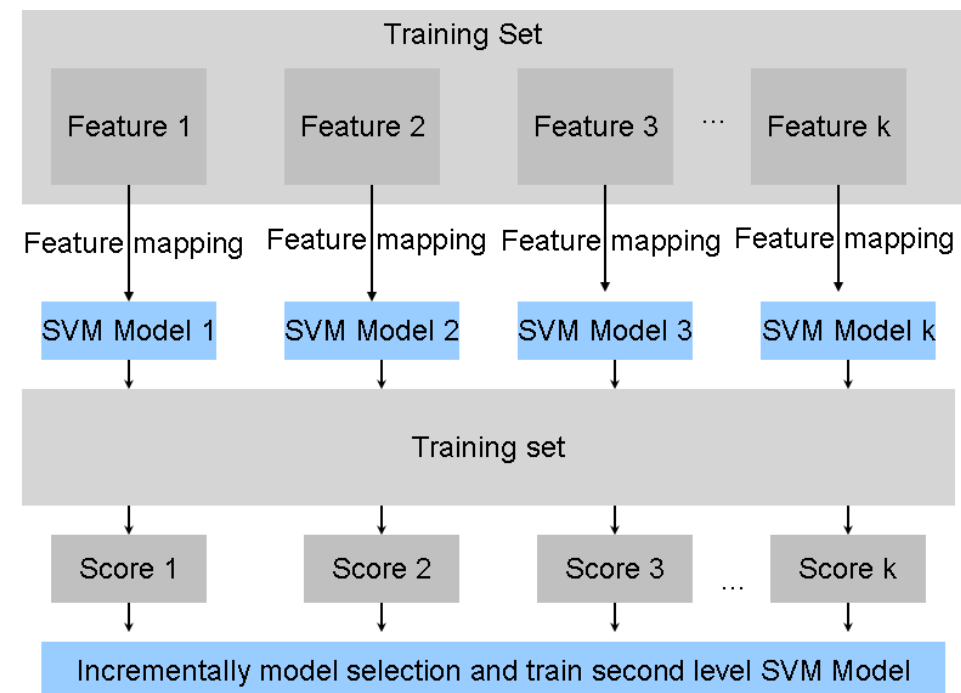


Modality Classification Task – Two level SVM + Kernel Approximation

- Motivated by the success of “deep-learning”, we make traditional SVM one layer deeper
- Traditional nonlinear kernel evaluation is very expensive, so we use kernel approximation to speed up the process
- 100% training accuracy and 81.05% (12 features) and 81.23% (24 features) for validation accuracy



Over all model:
$$K(x_i, x_j) = \sum_m \alpha_m K_m(x_i, x_j) = \sum_m \alpha_m \phi(x_i) \phi(x_j)$$



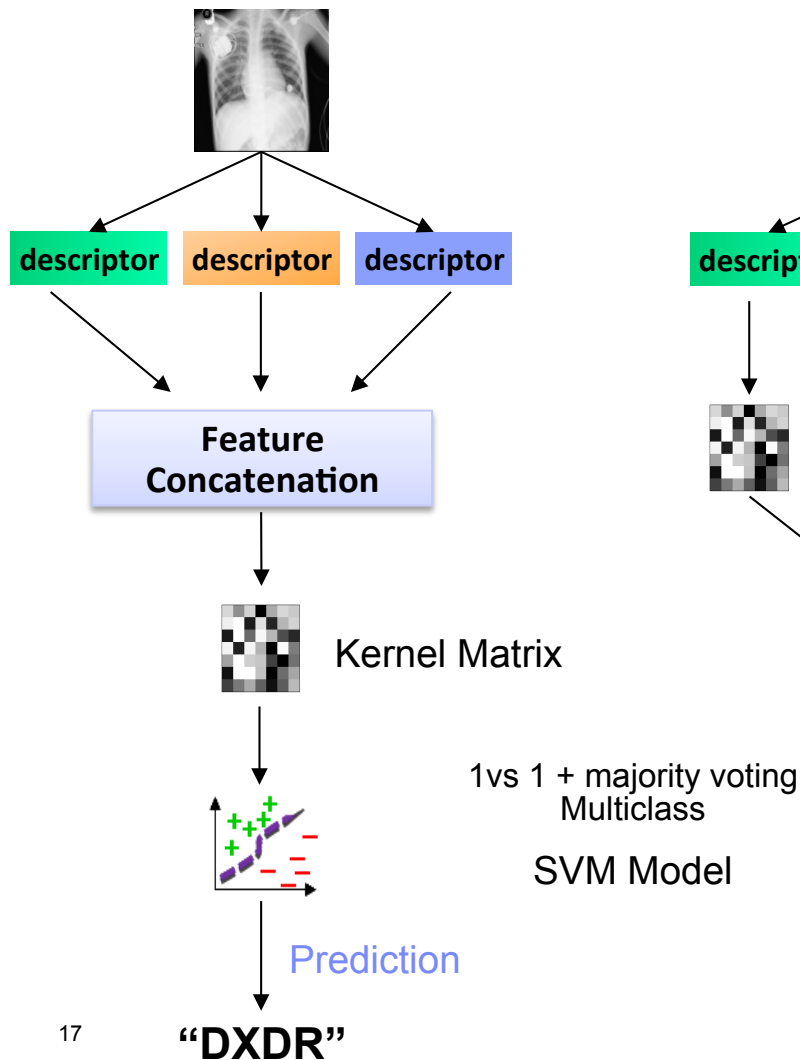
Modality Classification Task – Meta Classifiers

- Meta-learning¹ is a strategy to learn from learned knowledge
- **Another level of supervised learning** for combining the results of existing fusion models
- Collaboration model to combine the fusion models predictions
- **INPUT:** **vector** of different IMARS Ensemble models scores on top of visual and textual descriptions
- Learning algorithms tested:
 - Decision Tree
 - SVM (RBF Kernel, Poly kernel, Normalized Poly kernel and Puk kernel)
 - Random Forest
 - Logistic Model Tree (LMT)
 - Naive Bayesian

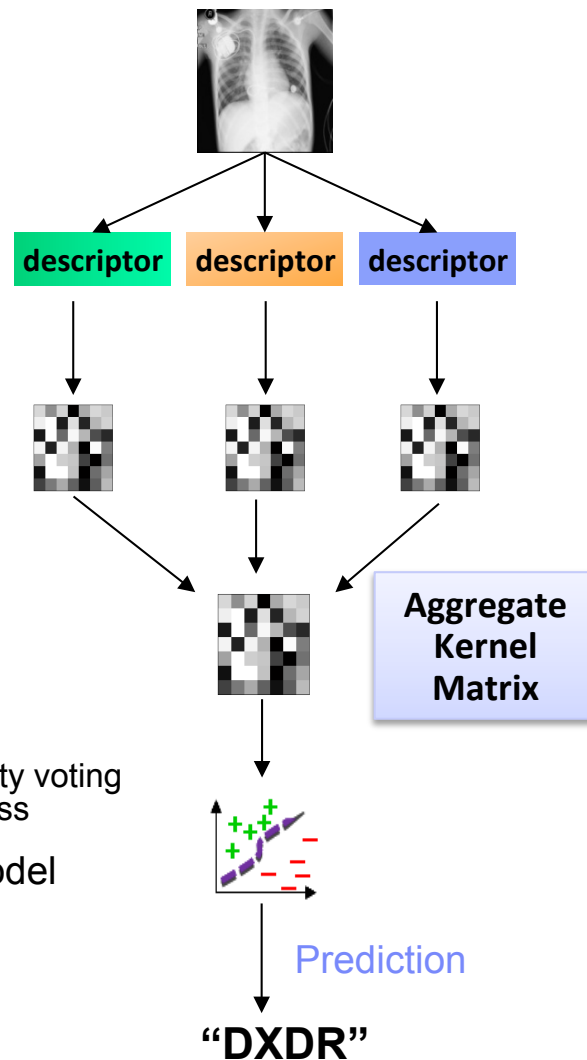
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Modality Classification Task – Early/Kernel/Late Fusion

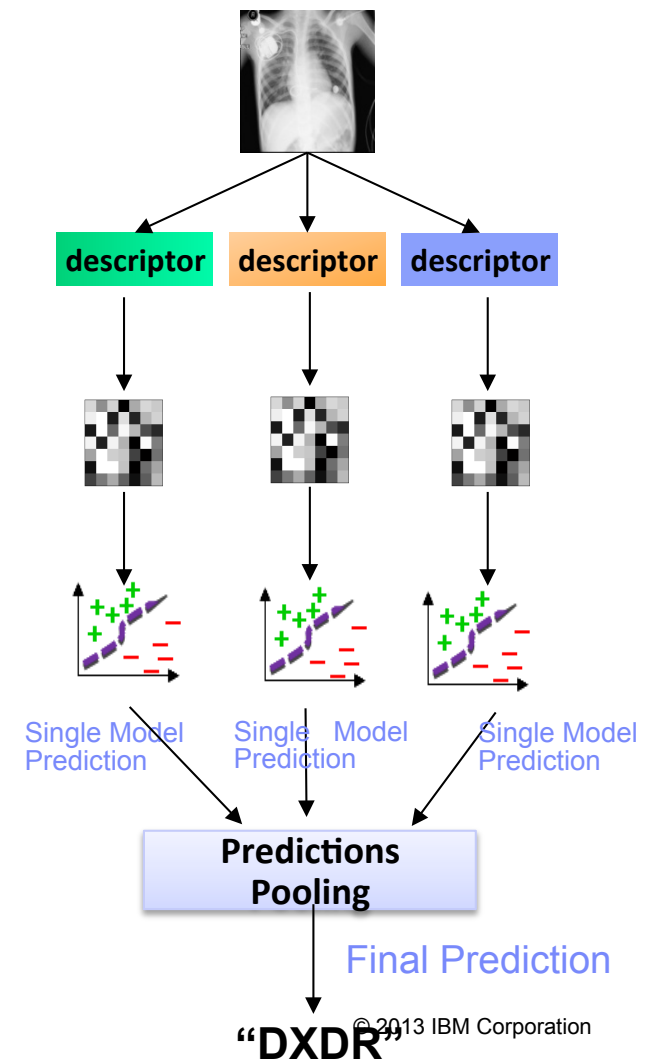
Early Fusion



Kernel Fusion



Late Fusion



Modality Classification – Official Results

IBM submission runs: **10 Runs** →

- Top Textual
- Top Visual
- Top Mixed

**Overall Best Performance
for every submission type**

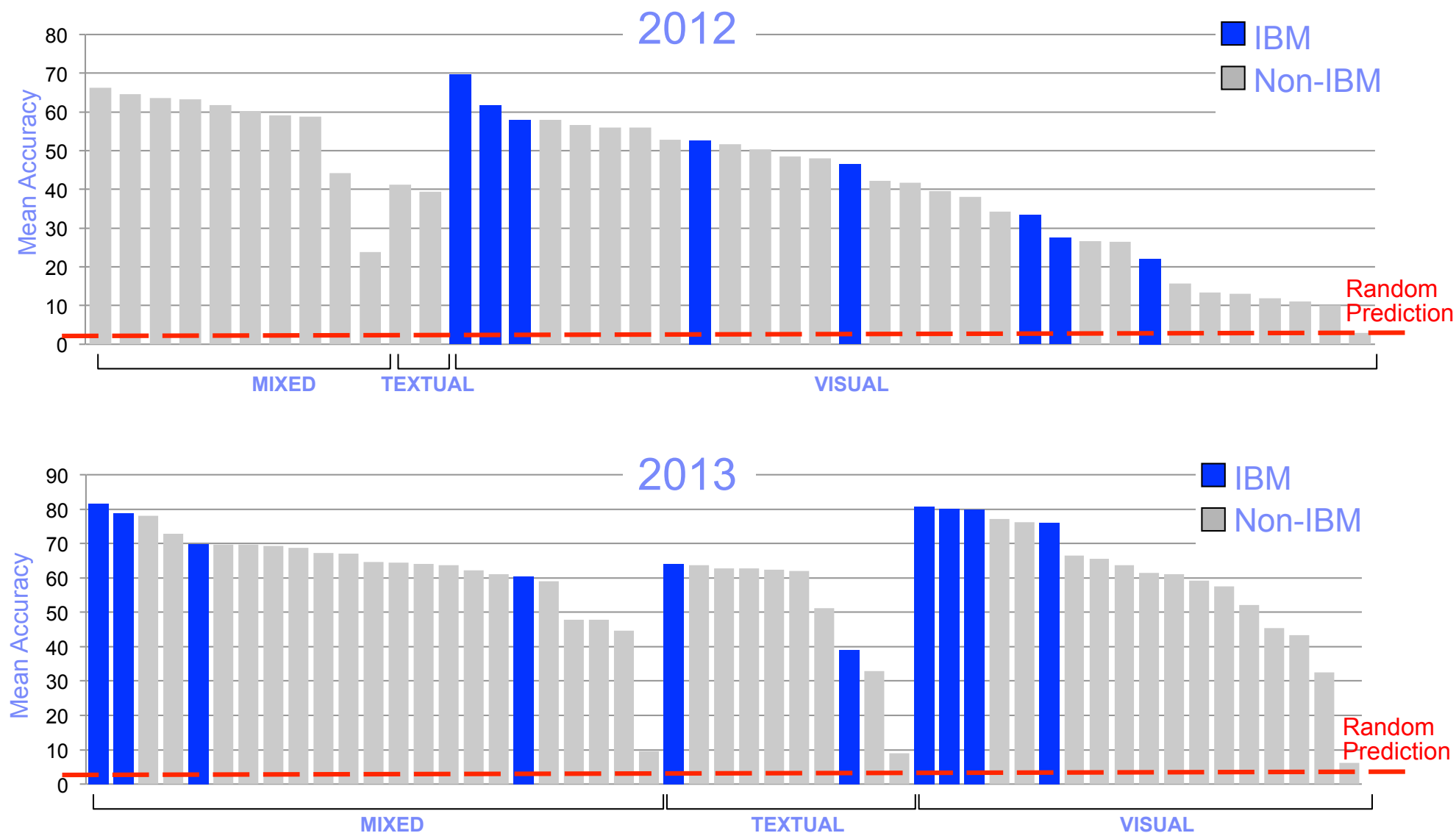
Modality Tailored Keywords

TYPE	NO EXTERNAL DATA	EXTERNAL DATA
Textual	IBM_modality_run1	IBM_modality_run2
Visual	IBM_modality_run3	IBM_modality_run5
Visual	IBM_modality_run4	IBM_modality_run6
Mixed	IBM_modality_run7	IBM_modality_run9
Mixed	IBM_modality_run8	IBM_modality_run10

**Late fusion of all visual features
and classification strategies**

Late Fusion of Run1 and Run4

Modality Classification - Results

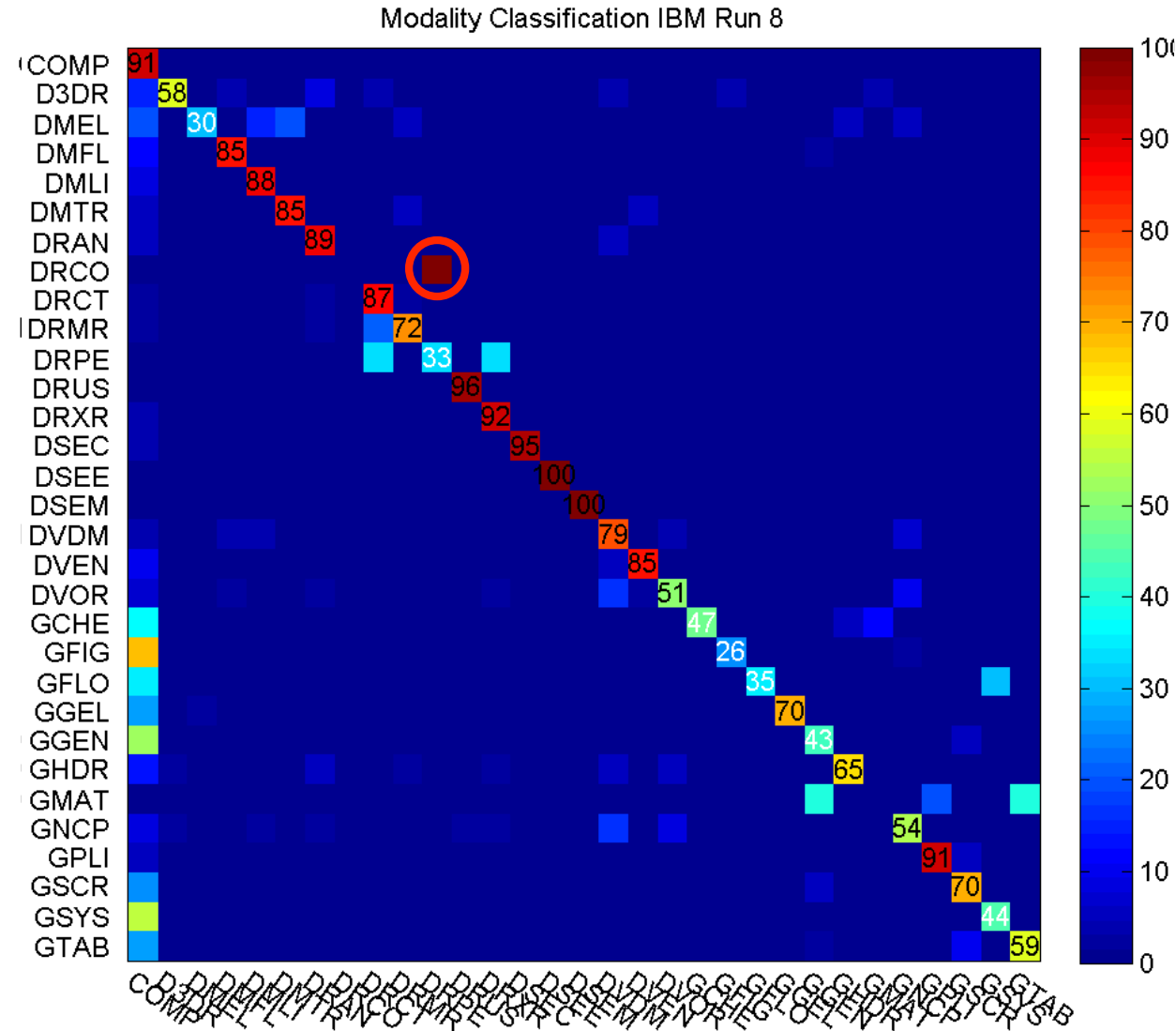


Modality Classification - Results

- Textual
- Visual
- Mixed

DRCO – Combined
Radiology modalities in
one image

Confused with DRPE
(PET)

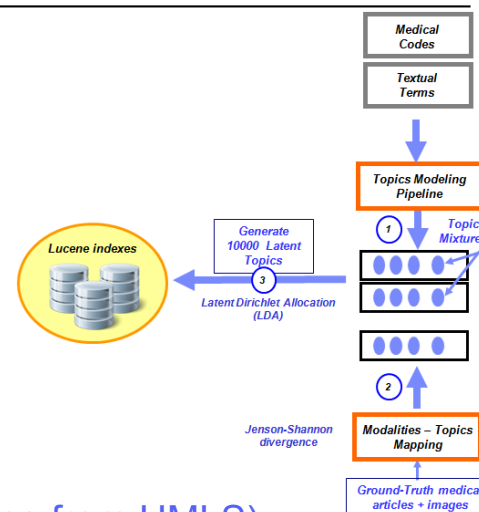


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Case Based Retrieval

- 35 query cases
- Dataset: 300K Pubmed Articles
- GOAL: return list of 1000 most relevant articles, given a query



APPROACH

- Based on textual **Ontology Based Vocabulary** (one vocabulary from WordNet, one from UMLS)
- Topic modeling approach to identify meaningful patterns from the medical documents
- LDA to detect the probability distribution $P(w|z)$ over words given topic z
- Each medical document defined as a mixture of latent topics characterized by a multinomial distribution over words.
- Number of topics ranging from 100 to 10,000 topics. Gibbs sampling and Bayesian estimation to assign the multinomial distributions over a set of words to each latent topic
- Separated the topics that are defined for **titles**, **abstracts** and **captions** and grouped the medical documents that share the same topics
- Lucene index with TF-IDF

Results

WordNet
Fusion
UMLS

Runid	Retrieval type	MAP	P10	P30
SNUMedinfo9	Textual	0.2429	0.2657	0.1981
IBM_run_1	Textual	0.1573	0.1571	0.1057
IBM_run_3	Textual	0.1573	0.1943	0.1276
IBM_run_2	Textual	0.1476	0.2086	0.1295

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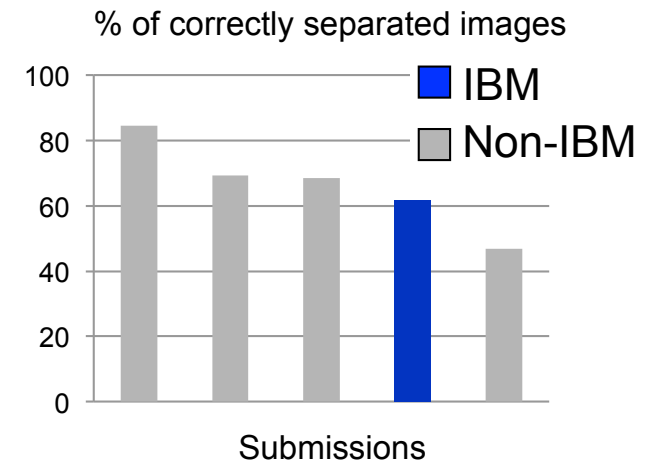
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Compound Image Segmentation Task

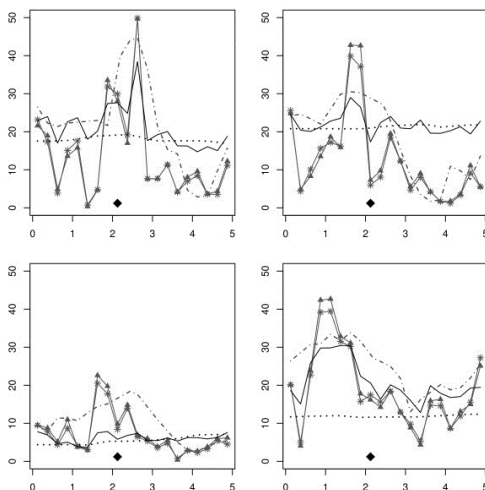
Combination of two approaches

- Analysis of connected components in a binarized image
 - Grayscale conversion
 - Binarization
 - Connected Components analysis
 - Geometric based filtering (size, proximity)
- Use of common notation of subfigures using text
 - OCR to recognize isolated components as letters (A, B , C)
 - Analysis of geometric layout of letters

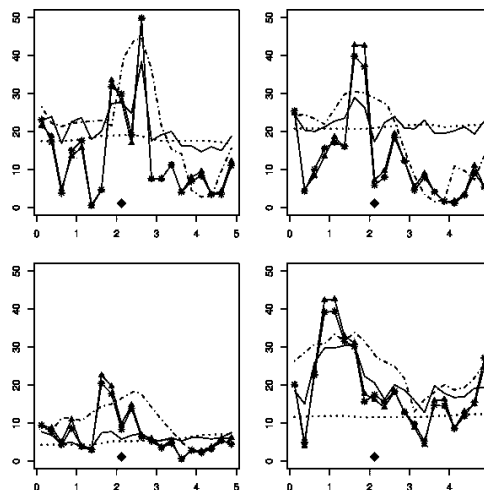
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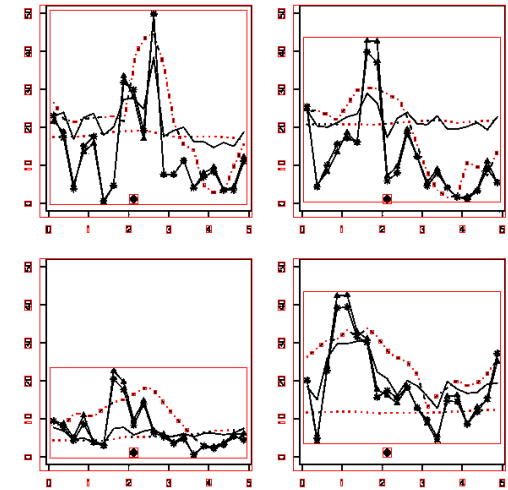
Input Image



Binarization Result



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- **Semantic Model Vector** best single performing feature
- **Combination/fusion** of different visual and textual based representations, as well as learning frameworks
- Leverage combination of **different sources for textual** search/classification
 - Modality tailored extracted lexicon
 - General lexical ontology (WordNet) and
 - Medical specific domains medical knowledge-bases
- Future directions
 - Improve **combination** of complementary information from Visual and Textual domains

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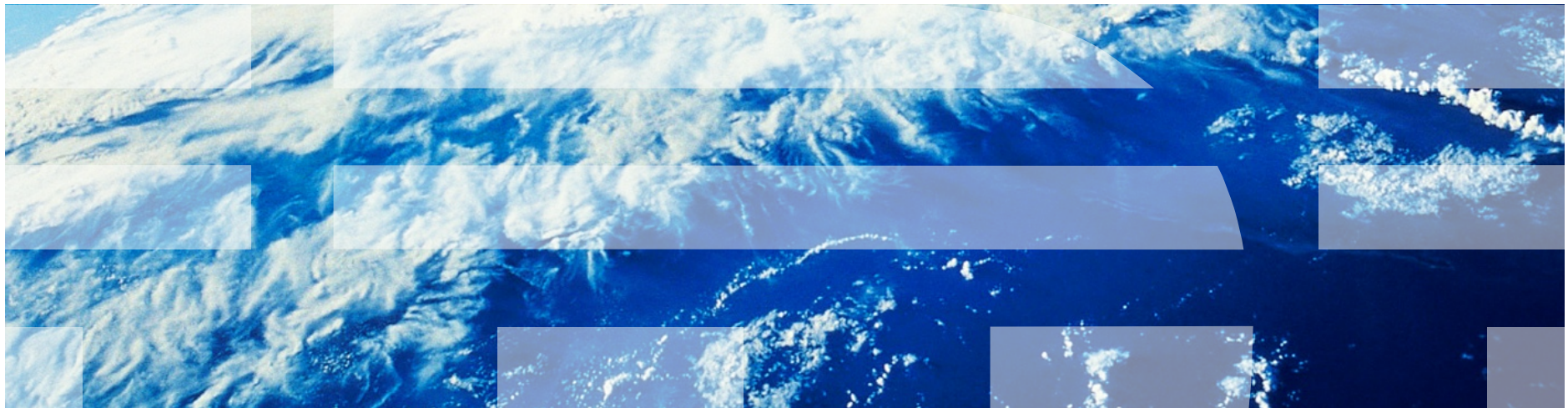
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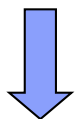
Questions?



Modality Classification – Results 2012

Confusion Matrix

Better Performance



Red Diagonal

- Limited Training Data
- Extended Training Data
 - Reduced confusion
 - Still confused categories:

System diagram vs. Flowchart

