Grounded Sequence to Sequence Transduction

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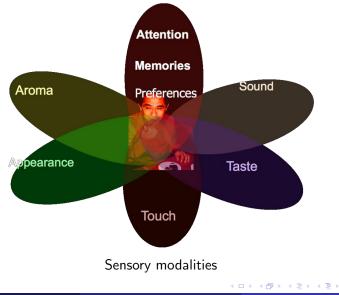
0130-0500 Lab on Multimodal MT and Summarisation



- Louis-Philippe Morency and Tadas Baltrusaitis. **Multimodal Machine Learning**, Tutorial at ACL 2017
- Desmond Elliott, Douwe Kiela and Angeliki Lazaridou. Multimodal Learning and Reasoning, Tutorial at ACL 2016

Multimodality

What do we mean?



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- **Modality**: type of information and/or the representation format in which information is stored.
- Examples:
 - Natural language (spoken or written)
 - Visual (from images or videos)
 - Auditory (voice, sounds and music)
 - Haptics / touch
 - Eye tracking
 - Other signals: electrocardiogram (ECG), infrared images, depth images, fMRI, etc.

Verbal

Lexicon Words

Syntax Part-of-speech Dependencies

Pragmatics

Discourse acts

Laughter, moans

Vocal

Prosody Intonation Voice quality Vocal expressions

Visual

Gestures Head gestures Eye gestures Arm gestures

Body language Body posture Proxemics

Eye contact Head gaze Eye gaze

Facial expressions FACS action units Smile, frowning

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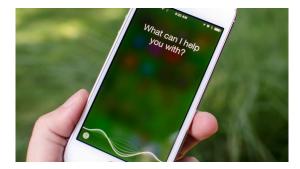
Humans interact with the world in multimodal ways. Language understanding and generation is an not an exception.

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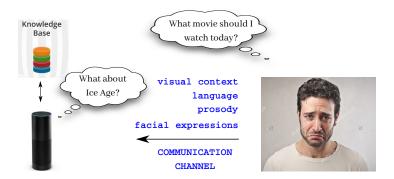
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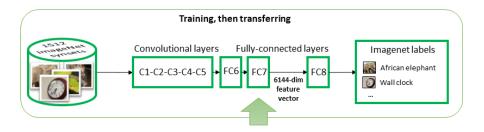


Moving beyond the linguistic modality

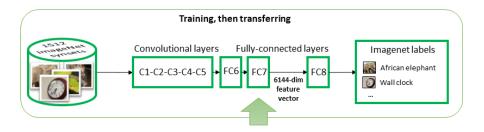
Some tasks are inherently multimodal. E.g. image captioning:



Girl in pink dress is jumping in air.



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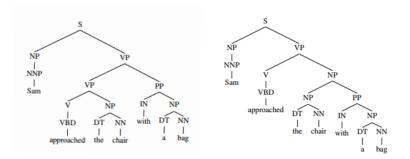
Others are not, e.g. Parsing, POS tagging, MT, Summarisation.

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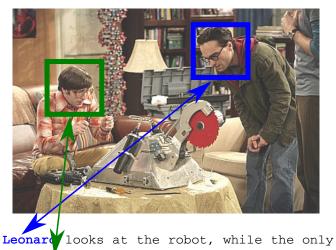
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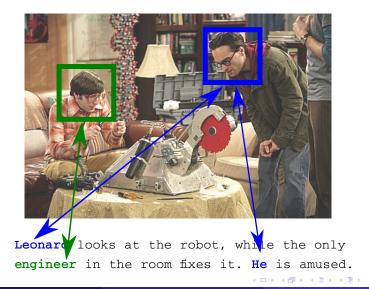
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Multimodality helps with classic NLP tasks Machine translation [Frank et al., 2018]



- SRC: A woman wearing a hat is making bread.
- **TXT**: Eine Frau mit einer Mütze macht Brot.
- IMG: Eine Frau mit einem Hut macht Brot.

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- SRC: A baseball player in a black shirt just tagged a player in a white shirt.
- **TXT**: **Ein Baseballspieler** in einem schwarzen Shirt fängt einen Spieler in einem weißen Shirt.
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Challenges

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- Historical view by Morency & Baltrusaitis (2017):
 - The behavioral era (1970s until late 1980s)
 - The computational era (late 1980s until 2000)
 - The interaction era (2000–2010)
 - The deep learning era (2010s-) focus on this lecture and our project

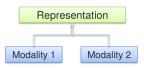
Core challenges in multimodal learning

Representation	
Alignment	
Fusion	
Translation	
Co-learning	

1: Representation

Learn how to represent and summarise multimodal data in a way that exploits the complementarity and redundancy.

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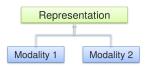
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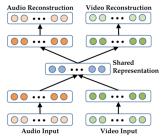
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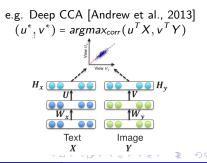


E.g. Multimodal autoencoders



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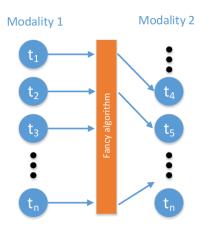
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2: Alignment

Identify the direct relations between elements from different modalities.

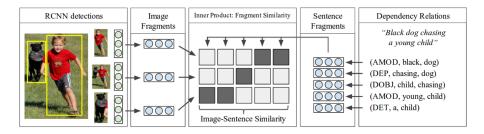
• Explicit: Directly find correspondences between elements of different modalities.

• Implicit: Indirectly uses latent alignment of modalities.



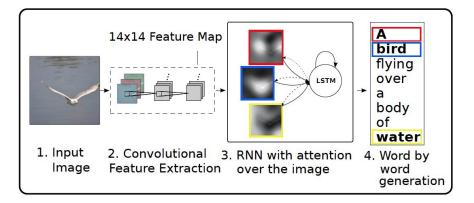
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Explicit: Learn to associate fragments in images and sentence descriptions [Karpathy et al., 2014].



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Implicit: Attention mechanism in image captioning [Xu et al., 2015].

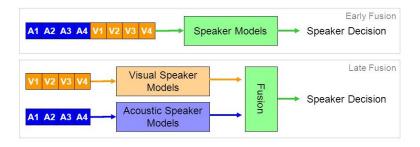


3: Fusion

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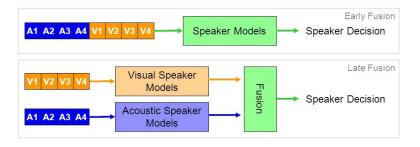
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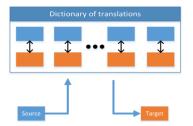
Fusion can model agnostic: e.g. feature fusion or ensemble via voting.

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4: Translation

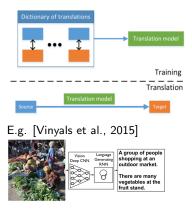
Given an entity in one modality, how to generate the same entity in a different modality.

• Example-based:



E.g. KNN in query-based image retrieval

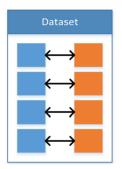
Model-based:



5: Co-learning

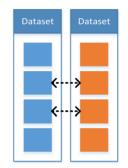
How to transfer knowledge between modalities, including representations and models.

• Parallel:



E.g. co-training, multi-task learning

• Non-parallel:



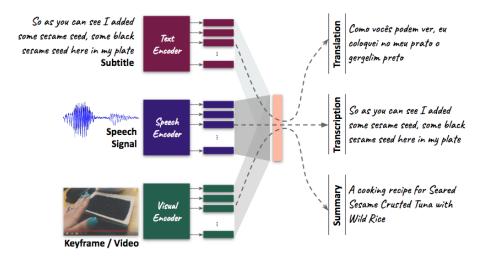
E.g. Zero-shot learning

Our project

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https://srvk.github.io/jsalt-2018-grounded-s2s/

• Core method: sequence-to-sequence models

• Challenges to address:

- From bimodal to multimodal
- Different tasks: MT, ASR, Summarisation (plus auxiliary)
- Joint learning (multi-task learning)
- Move closer to video understanding
- Explore temporal nature of videos
- Understand which modalities help for which tasks
- Datasets

• Dataset: largest multimodal, bilingual (will be multilingual) dataset

- 2,000 hours of how-to videos
- Video, audio, human transcripts, 'summary'
- Wide range of topics
- 480 hours of how-to videos with translations
- 19,000 short videos
- 160,000 segment translations (100,000 thus far)

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