

IMOTION

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IMOTION at a Glance

- Project Title

Intelligent Multimodal Augmented Video Motion Retrieval System (IMOTION)

- Project Start and Duration

January 1st, 2014 – December 31st, 2016 (3 years)
extension of IMOTION project until **December 2017**,
extension of Swiss part until **May 2018**

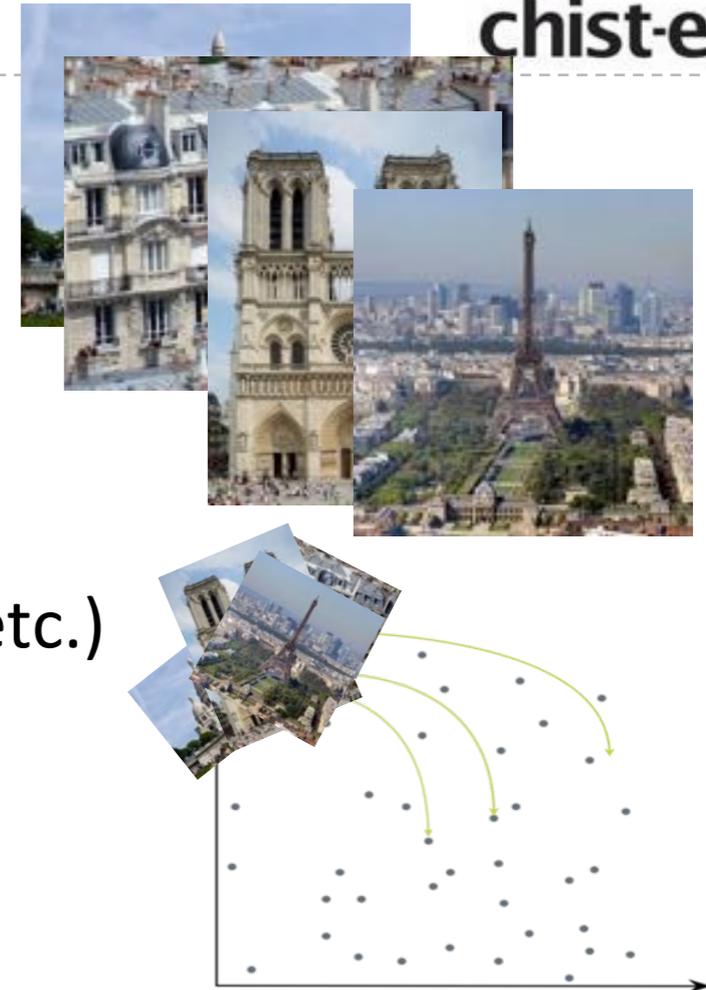
- Project Partners

- **University of Basel (UNIBAS)**, Switzerland (Coordinator)
- **Koç University (Koç)**, Istanbul, Turkey
- **University of Mons (UMONS)**, Belgium



Scientific Background

- **Large Multimedia Collections**
 - Private use, professional applications, education
- **Content-based Multimedia Retrieval**
 - Manual annotations not feasible
 - Use of inherent features (colors, shapes, objects, etc.)
 - Strong focus on image features
- **Video Retrieval**
 - ***Motion*** distinguishes video from still images
 - Efficient and effective content-based retrieval of (parts of) videos based on ***motion specification*** is lacking



↳ **IMOTION will develop and evaluate**

Innovative Multi-Modal User Interfaces for Interacting with Videos

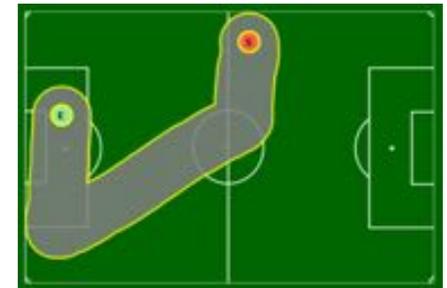
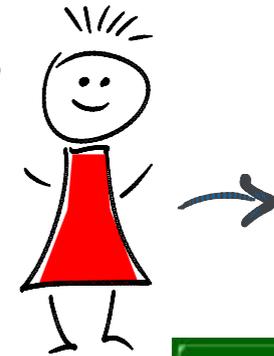


Key Challenges & Potential Impact

Goal: Support novel types of **motion queries** in video collections

- **User Interaction** for Query Specification

- Users can specify **motion paths of objects** in videos
- via **sketches, gestures, natural language**, or combinations



„Show me all shots on goal from the penalty area, with support from the left wing“

- **Machine Learning** for Motion Features

- Extraction of **high-level motion descriptors**
- based on **DNN** (ConvNets, dimensionality reduction)

- **Information Retrieval & Data Management** for Efficient Search

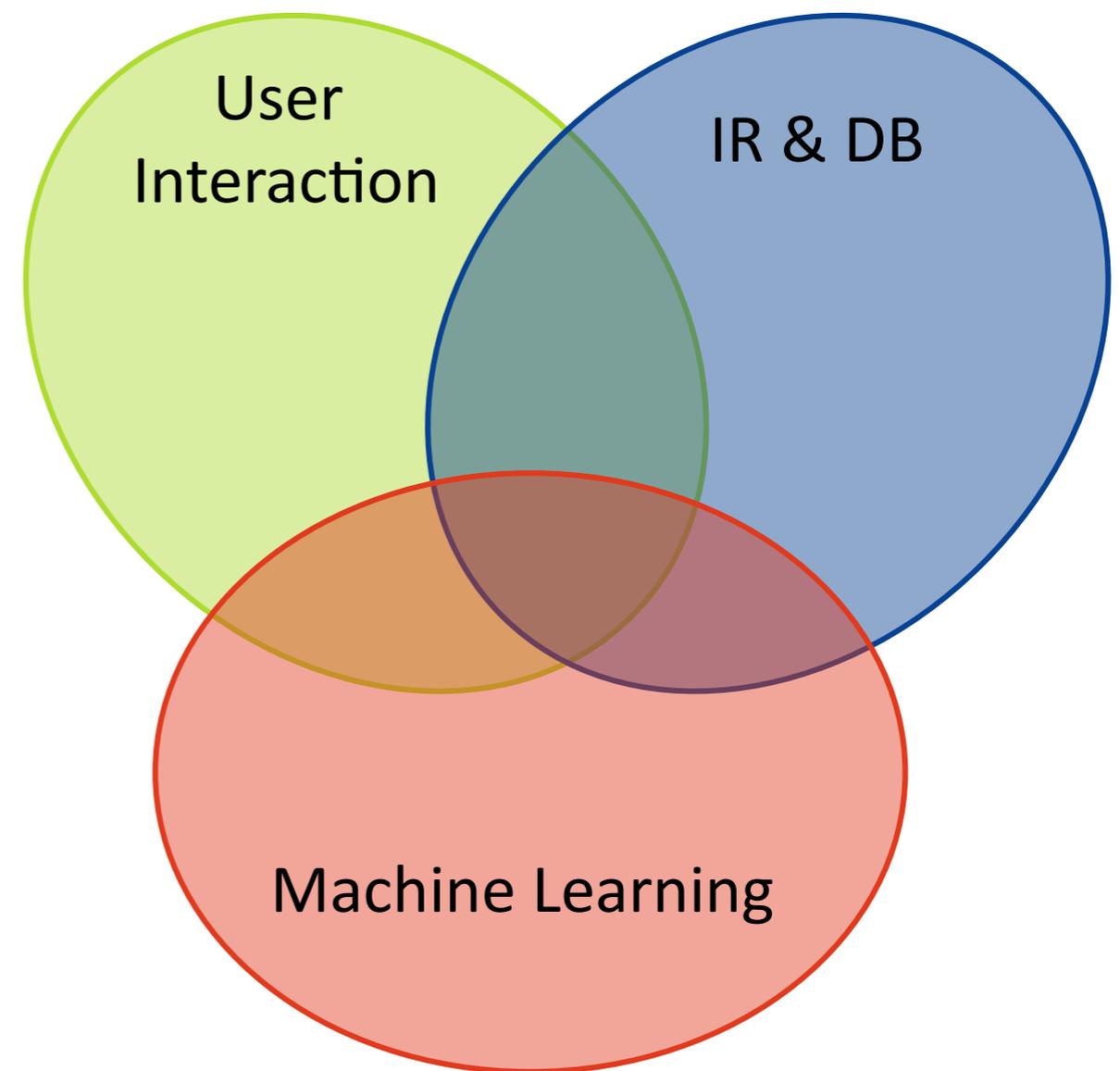
- Index structures to jointly support **video features and motion metadata**
- Distributed IR Engine: **Scalability** to very large collections

- **Quantitative and Qualitative Evaluation**

Consortium as a Whole ...

Competences needed for IMOTION:

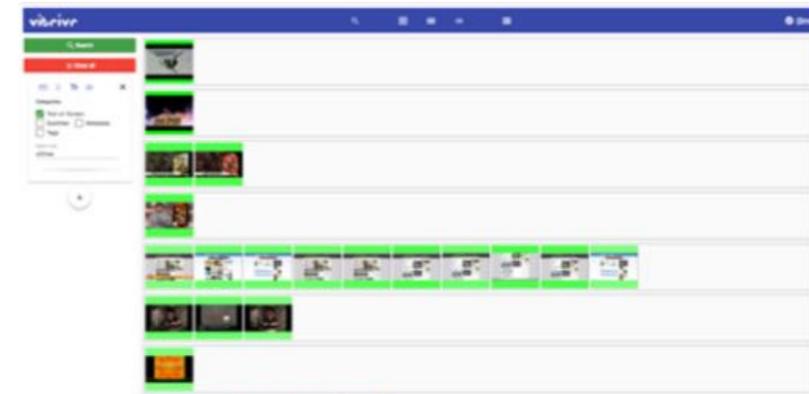
- **User Interaction**
 - Sketch-based Interfaces
 - Speech-based Interfaces
- **Information Retrieval & Databases**
 - Indexing, Retrieval Models
 - Distributed Data Management
- **Machine Learning**
 - Feature Extraction
 - Concept classification



Databases and Information Systems Group (Prof. Heiko Schuldt)

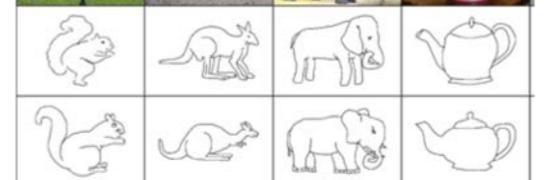
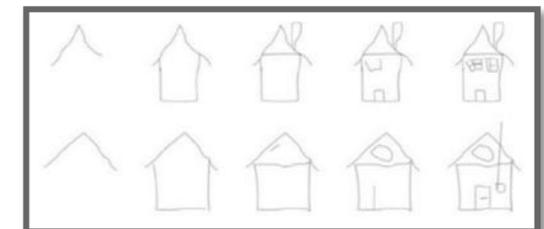
- **Multimedia Retrieval**, especially for **Big Data Collections**

- *Video Similarity Search* [RGS 14, RGH⁺ 16]
- *Query Types: Seamless Combination of Boolean Retrieval and Similarity Search* [GAS 14b]
- *Very Large Collections: Distribution in Map/Reduce Style* [GAS 14a], progressive queries [GS 16]
- *Dealing with ambiguity* [RTS 16]
- *Video Feature Extraction* [SGS 14]
- *Video Feature Combination* [RGS 14]
- *Joint Sketch/Speech Interface* [GGR⁺ 17]
- *Large-Scale Datasets* [RS⁺ 17], [RH 17]



Research Center for Creative Technologies (Dr. Stéphane Dupont)

- **Deep Neural Networks (DNNs) for Multimedia Retrieval**
 - Feature extraction: learning representations of sketch/image/video content
 - Classification: recognizing concepts and actions
 - Regression: mapping sketch queries to real content features
- **Sketch Recognition and Sketch-based Retrieval**
 - *Improved sketch recognition [SDM 17a]*
 - using temporal nature of sketching process
 - comparative study of fusion schemes
 - *Improved Sketch-based image retrieval (SBIR) [SDM 17{a,b,c}]*
 - sketch-to-image search using ConvNet features
 - multi-task quadruplet networks for SBIR
- **Concept and Action Recognition**
 - *Improved action recognition [SDM 16a]*
 - comparative study of optical flow algorithms
 - fusion of spatial and temporal streams
 - *Beyond single concept: multi-label multi-instance recognition and localization*



Intelligent User Interfaces Laboratory (Prof. T. Metin Sezgin)

- **User Interfaces for Sketch-based Interaction**

- Early recognition of sketched symbols through auto-completion

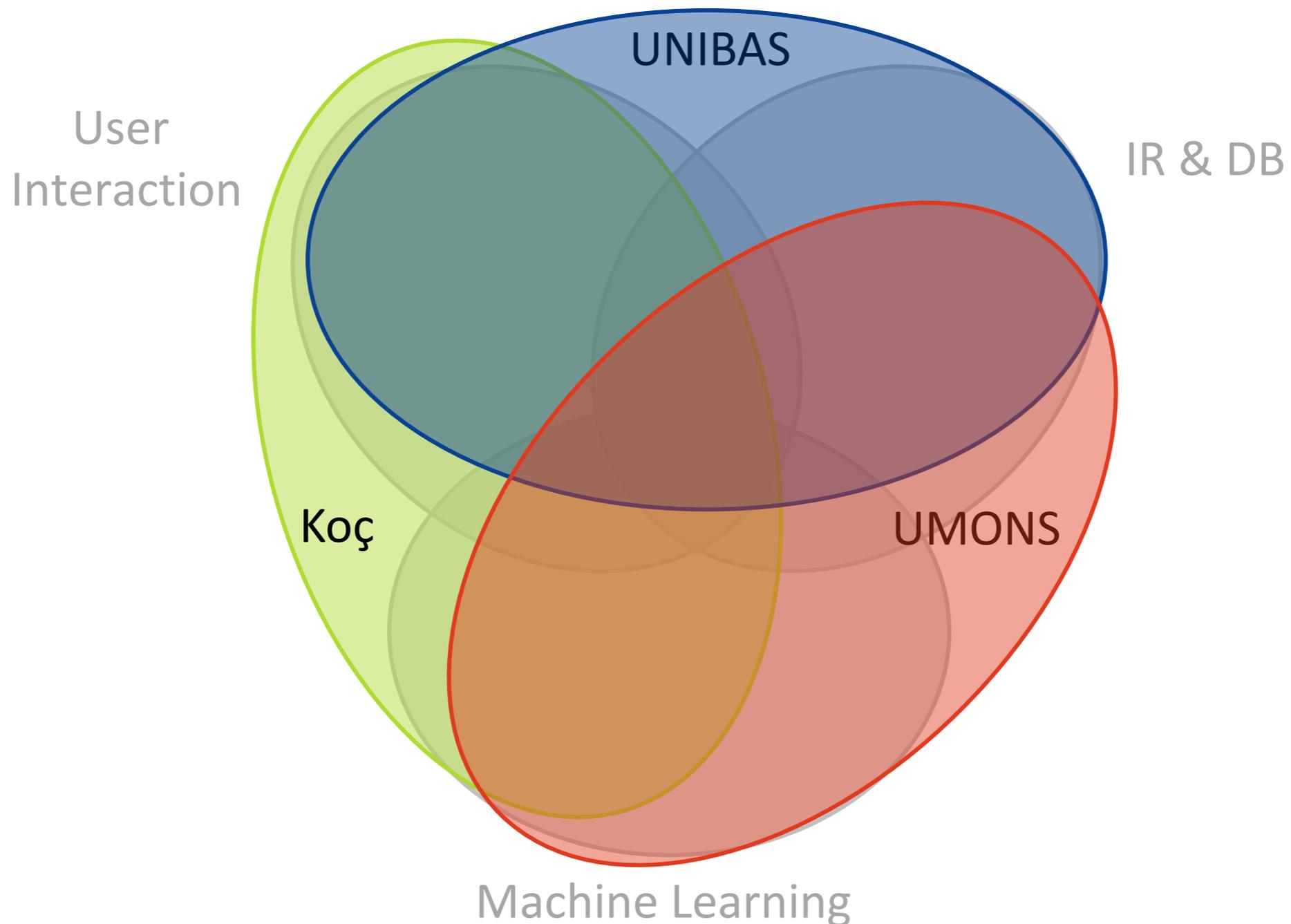
- **Multimodal Motion Retrieval**

- User interface for soccer match retrieval through speech and sketching
 - Sketching: Motion of the ball and players
 - Speech: Body movement of players and details about ball motion (e.g. shots, passes, goal kicks etc.)



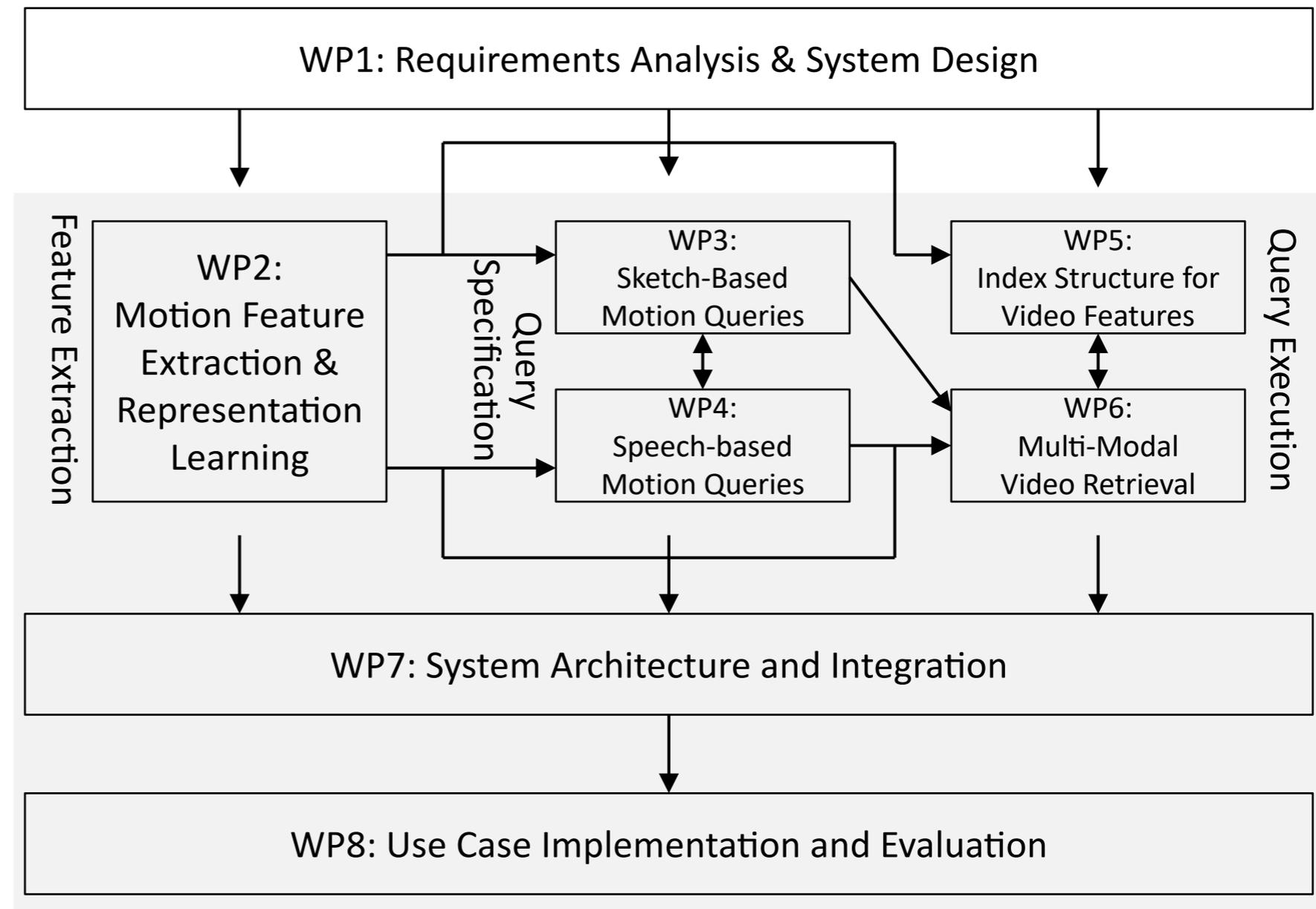
... Consortium as a Whole

- Small, but highly complementary consortium



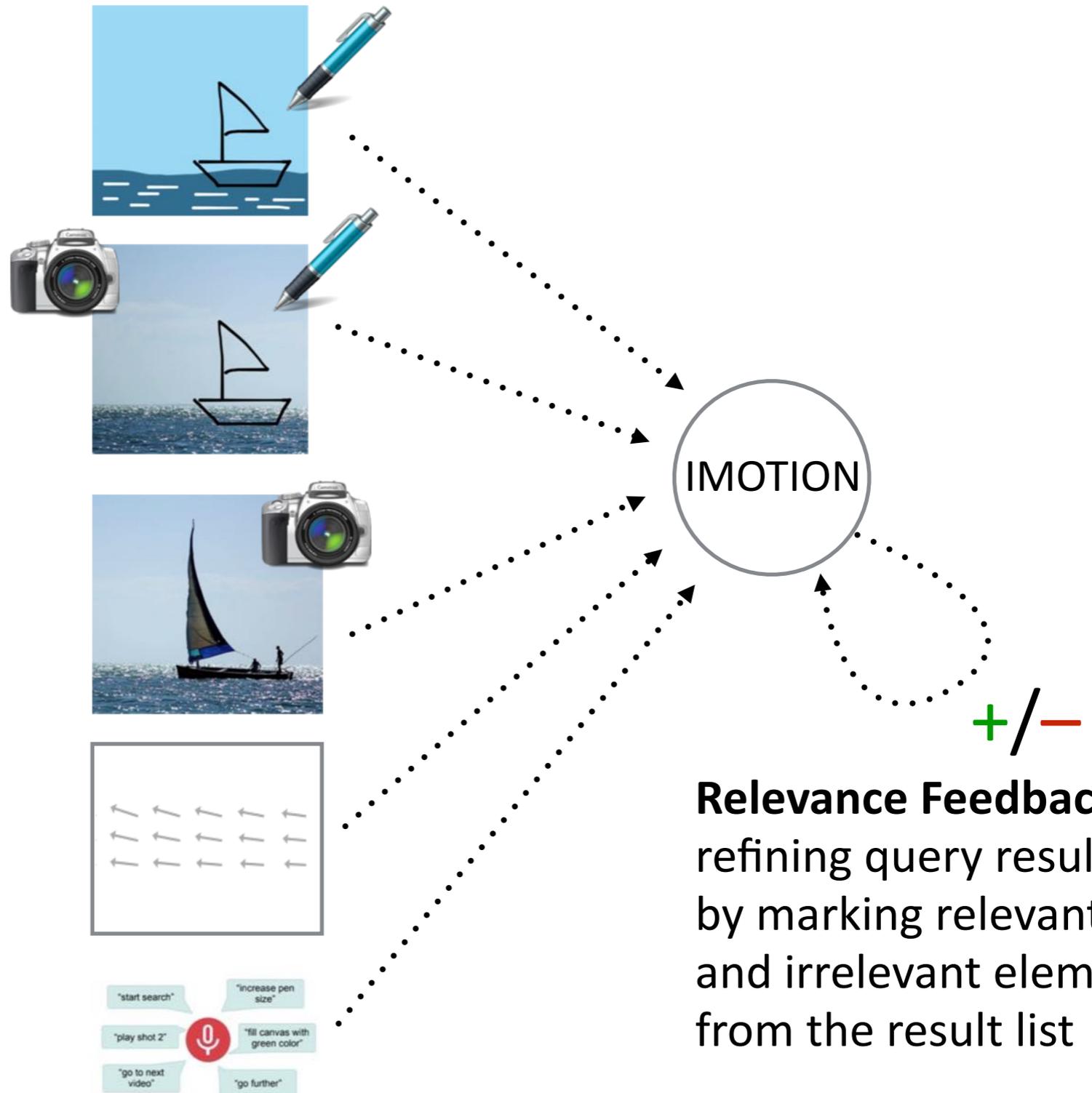
IMOTION Workplan

- WP 2 (UMONS)
 - Feature Extraction
- WPs 3 & 4 (Koç)
 - UI for Query Specification
- WPs 5 & 6 (UNIBAS)
 - Query Execution
- WP 7 (all)
 - Build and continuously update integrated system
- WP 8 (all)
 - Evaluation
- New activities: extension to additional media types



IMOTION System: Query Types

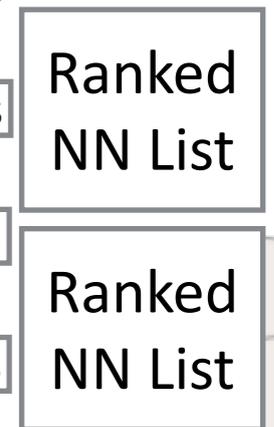
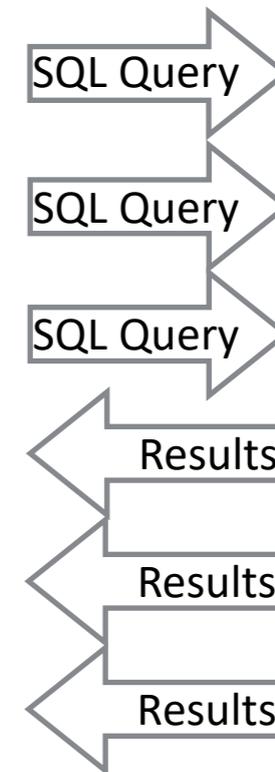
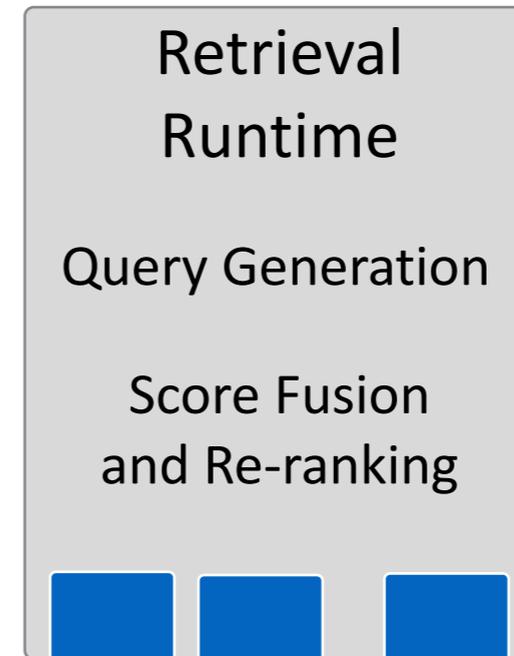
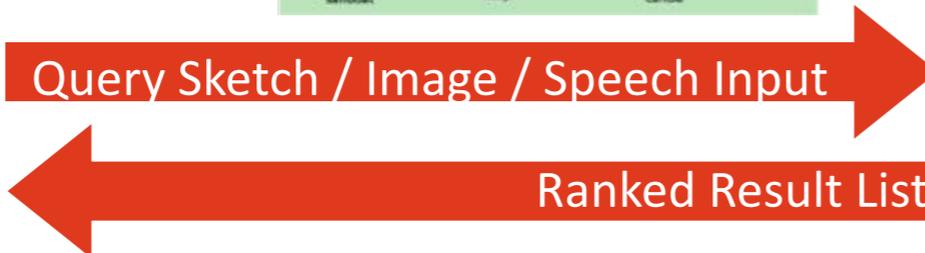
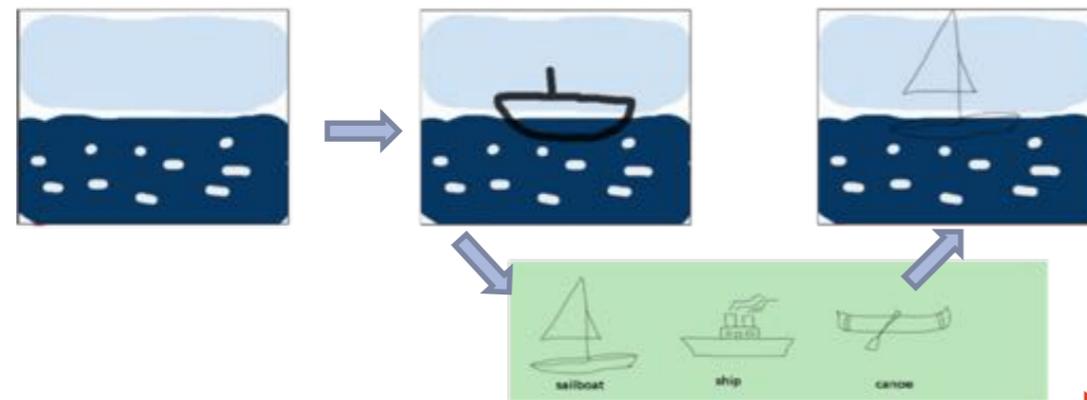
- **Query-by-Sketch**
using a rough hand-drawn sketch
- **Query-by-Sketch with Query-by-Example**
by adding/removing parts from sample image
- **Query-by-Example**
based on query image or a result object
- **Query-by-Motion**
motion of objects across frames via flow fields
- **Spoken Queries**
natural language



Relevance Feedback
refining query results
by marking relevant
and irrelevant elements
from the result list

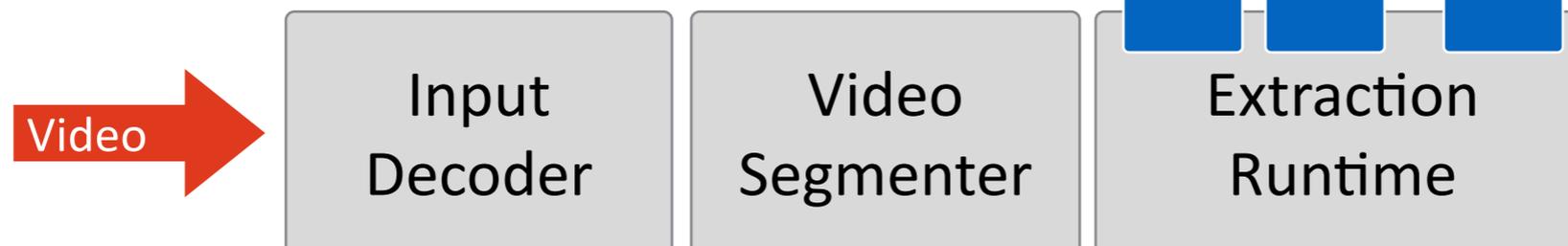
IMOTION System: Overview

Online



Offline

- Semantic Image Features
- Motion Features
- Color / Edge Features
- ...



Main Results & Achievements

- > 30 scientific publications
- Participation to the 6th Video Browser Showdown [RGR⁺ 18]
- **Winner** of the 2017 5th Visual Browser Showdown [RGT⁺ 17], co-located with the Multimedia Modeling Conf. (MMM'17)
 - TRECVID AVS queries & visual / textual known item search
- Participation at the 4th Video Search Showcase (VSS) competition [RGS⁺15], co-located MMM'15 (2nd place)
- Participation at the 2016 Video Browser Showdown (VBS) (manually [RGH⁺ 16] and fully automated [RGT⁺ 16])
- Participation at TRECVID AVS 2016 [TRG⁺ 16, TRG⁺ 16b]
- **Best demo award** at MMM'16 [RGH⁺ 16]
- Demo at **IUI** conference on sketch auto-completion [TGR⁺ 16]
- Open source version of search engine and database backend (vitivr) [RGT⁺ 16b], supported by Google Summer of Code 2016 [GGR⁺ 17] and 2018



Project Management ...

- **Project has started on January 1st, 2014**
- **Staffing**
 - UNIBAS
 - 1 PostDoc for 2 years (C. Tănase)
 - 2 PhD students for 3+1 years (I. Giangreco, L. Rossetto)
 - Koç
 - 1 PostDoc for 2 years (Y. Sahillioğlu)
 - 2 research students (O. Altıok, A.Tosun)
 - UMONS
 - 1 PhD student for 3 years (O. Seddati)
- **Internal project meetings: twice a year**
 - Plus bilateral technical meetings and Skype conferences
- **Financial reporting**
 - UNIBAS and UMONS: in plan
 - Koç: underspent

... Project Management ...

- **Student/scientists exchanges**
 - eINTERFACE 2015 in Mons (August 2015): four week on-site collaboration www.interface.net/interface15/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/VideoSketcher.pdf
 - Joint PhD thesis (Cotutelle) UMONS & UNIBAS
- **Dissemination, Infrastructure, Collaboration, Awards**
 - Project Website: imotion-project.eu
 - Repository, mailing list, project management tools
 - Parts of IMOTION software (vitivr) in open source license
 - Participation at Google Summer of Code 2016, 2018
 - Participation to Video Browser Showdown 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
 - **Winner of the Video Browser Showdown (VBS) 2017**
- **Sustainability**
 - Project deliverables published as scholarly papers
 - Collections and evaluation metrics released to the research community

OSVC: Open Short Video Collection; [RS⁺ 17], [RH 17]

... Project Management

- **Follow-up projects**
 - UNIBAS
 - *Vitrivr*: content-based multimodal search
 - *City-Stories*: search in multimedia collections of cultural heritage content, temporal multimedia browser (funded by the Hasler Foundation, CH)
 - *SportSense*: retrieval in sports, in particular soccer, videos
 - UMONS
 - *DigiMIR (2016-2020)* – EU ERDF: Multimedia Information Retrieval for the Creative Industries
 - *DeepSport (2017-2021)* – Walloon Region: Machine Learning for Automating the Analysis and Production of Sports Videos.
 - Koç
 - *SoccerSearch*: multimodal soccer match retrieval

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