

Egocentric Vision

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- 1998-2002 BSC in Computer Science
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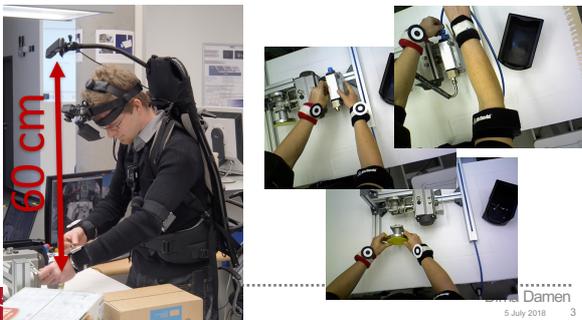


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- 2017- Associate Prof in Computer Vision



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Egocentric Vision?

- Research interests: action and activity recognition
- Particularly centred around the perception of object interactions



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Ego...

*Ego... a person's sense of self-esteem
or self-importance*

*Egocentric vision... the wearer serves as the central
reference point in the study of interesting entities:
objects, actions, interactions and intentions*



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Ego...



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Visual Sensing – the landscape



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Visual Sensing – the landscape



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Visual Sensing – the landscape

A spectrum of visual sensing devices from mobile to static. On the left, labeled 'Most Mobile!', are a GoPro, a smartphone, and a small camera. In the middle are a Microsoft Kinect v2, a spherical camera, and a Microsoft Kinect v1. On the right, labeled 'Least Static', is a traditional dome security camera. A blue double-headed arrow spans the spectrum with the word 'Moveable' in the center.

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Visual Sensing – the landscape

A spectrum of visual sensing devices from wearable to static. On the left, labeled 'Most Wearable!', are a GoPro and a smartphone. In the middle are a Microsoft Kinect v2 and a spherical camera. On the right, labeled 'Least Static', is a traditional dome security camera. A blue double-headed arrow spans the spectrum with the word 'Wearable' in the center. Below the arrow, the categories 'Hand-Held Wireless' and 'Hand-Held Wired' are indicated.

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Wearable?

Examples of wearable devices: a GoPro, a smartphone, a Microsoft HoloLens, a small camera, and a person wearing glasses.

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Wearable?



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Wearable?



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Wearable?



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Wearable?

- Hat-Mounted
- Head-Mounted ★
- Glass-Mounted ★
- Shoulder-Mounted
- Chest-Mounted ★
- Wrist-Mounted
- Belt-Mounted
- Ankle-Mounted

But why do we care about... hardware???

- OPV (Ordinal-Person Views)
 - FPV (First-Person View)
 - SPV (Second-Person View)
 - TPV (Third-Person View)



See for yourself!

- [Videos...](#)

Conclusions?

- Just another camera?
- Just a shaking camera?

Egocentric Vision

- The Unique Problems
 1. Camera Motion
 2. Mapping and Localisation
 3. Attention and Task-Relevance
 4. Object Interactions
 5. Multi-view Solutions
- The Unique Applications
 1. Video Summarisation
 2. Skill Determination
 3. Real-time solutions

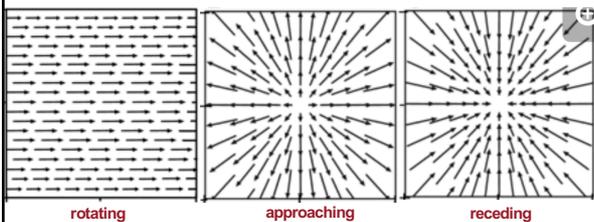
The Unique Problems

1. Camera Motion

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- Two types of motion
 - Egomotion
 - Foreground motion

Ego-motion



Ego-motion

- Detect to:
 - Use?
 - Remove?

Hyperlapse

- <https://youtu.be/sA4Za3Hv6ng>



The Unique Problems

2. Mapping and Localisation



Mapping and Localisation

- <https://youtu.be/ufBLu1VUQ-E>



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The Unique Problems

3. Attention and Task Relevance

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Attention and Task Relevance

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- What is attention?
 - Non-Egocentric Attention Models (→ Saliency)



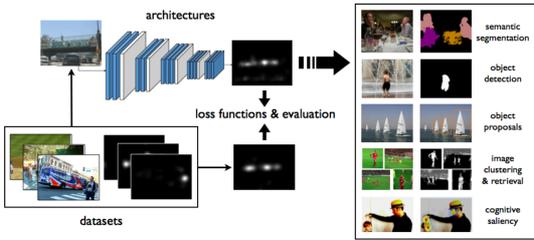
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Attention and Task Relevance



Attention and Task Relevance

- Attention in egocentric vision
 - Foreground segmentation
 - Hand-region segmentation
 - Gaze tracking



Quick introduction to human gaze

- Humans iterate between “fixations” and “saccades”
 - Fixation: short stops
 - Saccade: quick movements between fixations
- <https://youtu.be/pknohrs4Qs>

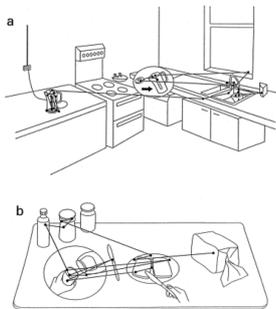
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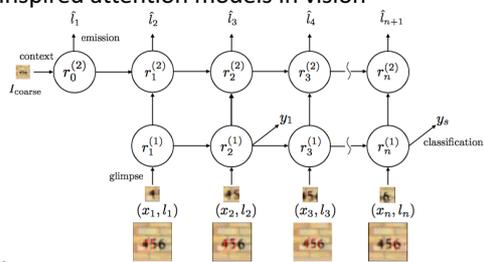


Quick introduction to human gaze



Quick introduction to human gaze

- The notion of fixation/saccade has recently inspired attention models in vision



The Unique Problems

3. Attention and Task Relevance

Case Study: You-Do, I-Learn

You-Do, I-Learn

with: Walterio Mayol-Cuevas
Tessid Leelasawasuk

- First-person view
- Offers a unique insight into 'used' or 'attended-to' objects
- How these objects have been used

Try it yourself



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You-Do, I-Learn

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- Q. How to 'ground-truth' objects that have been used?
- Q. How to 'ground-truth' how these objects have been used?

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- Ground-truth by written narration
- Released with dataset

pick the charger and plug it into the socket. Check that the screwdriver is powered by looking at the button. Pick the tape and place it in the box. Walk to the printer. Open the drawer to check the paper and press keys on the printer pad. Use the card to unlock the door.

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You Do, I Learn

- Discover used objects
- Discover how objects have been used
- Extract guidance videos
- Fully unsupervised
 - No prior knowledge of objects (number, size)
 - Static and moveable objects

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Definition

Task-Relevant Object (TRO)

an object, or part of an object, with which a person interacts during task performance

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Which Objects?



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Discovering Task-Relevant Objects



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Discovering Task-Relevant Objects

- **Suggested Problem Formulation...**
 - Given a sequence of egocentric images $\{I_1, \dots, I_T\}$
 - Collected from multiple operators around a common environment
 - Automatically discover all task-relevant objects $\{O_k; 1 \leq k \leq K\}$
 - $O_k = \{\Omega(I_t); 1 \leq t \leq T\}$
 - **Assumption:** at most one task-relevant image part is present within each image

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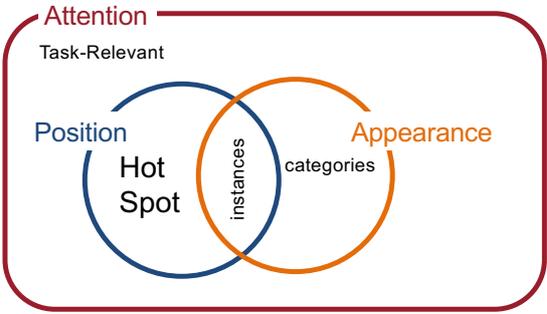
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Discovering Task-Relevant Objects

Gaze
Task-Relevant

SLAM

Hot Spot

instances

categories

RGB features

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Discovering TROs

Discovering becomes a clustering task...

- Considers attention, position and appearance
- Unknown number of objects

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Discovering Task-Relevant Objects

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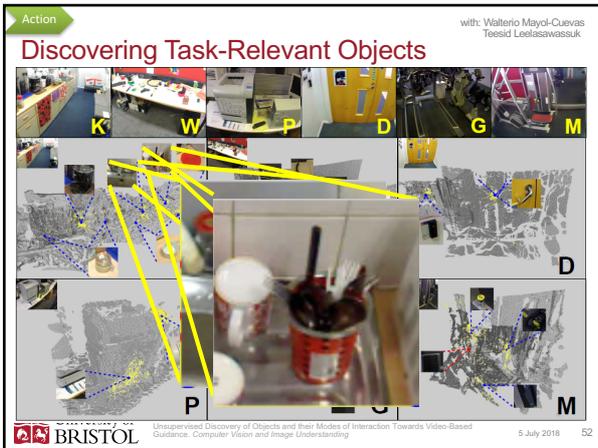
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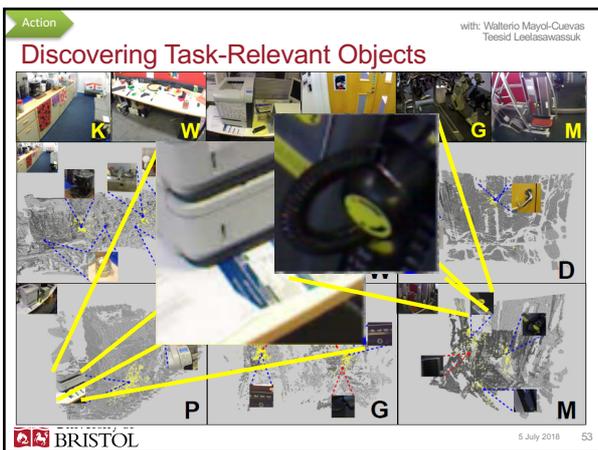
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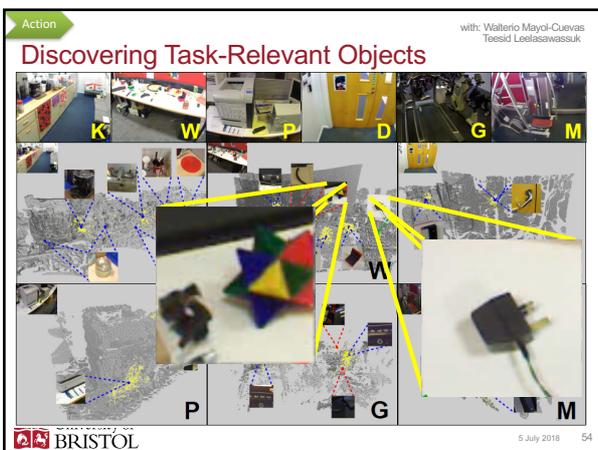
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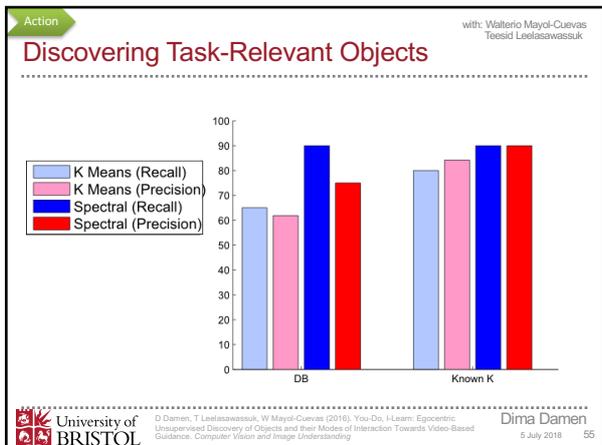
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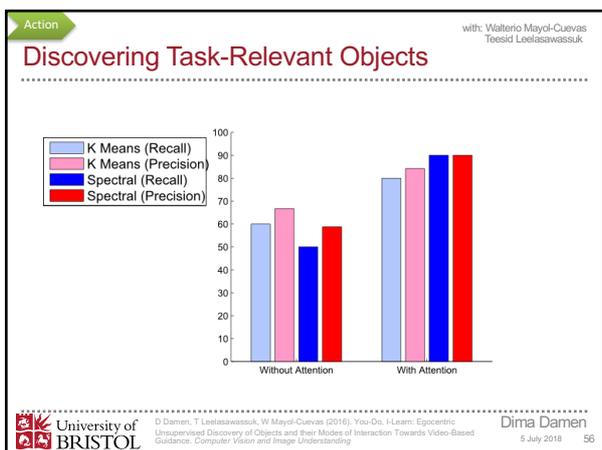
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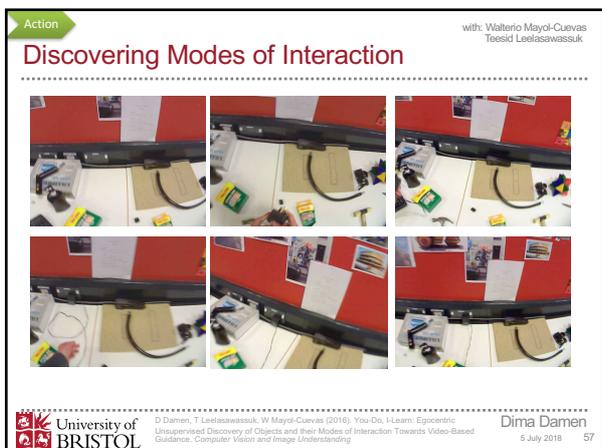












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Modes of Interaction (MOI)

the different ways in which TROs are used

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Discovering Modes of Interaction

Attention

Position

Appearance

Motion

instances

categories

Hot Spots

MOIs

Interactions

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Discovering Modes of Interaction

- Motion
 - Video snippets for each discovered object
 - Descriptor per snippet
 - Clustering using DB-index

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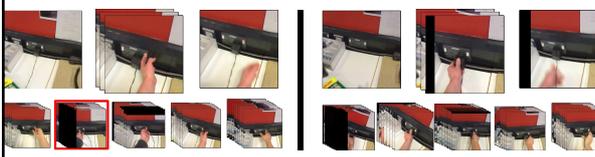
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Open & get sugar

Put

Pick

Open door



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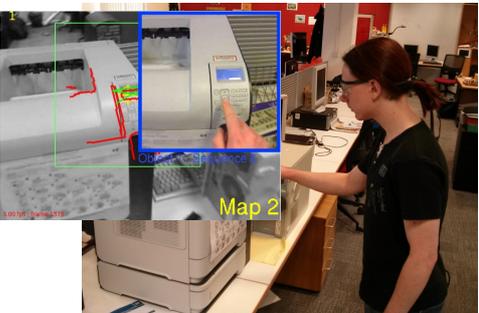
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Back to.... the goal...

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You Do, I Learn - Demonstration



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Map 1

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More info...

Project You-Do, I-Learn



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4. Object Interactions

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Action Recognition – an Introduction

- CNNs for Action Recognition
 - Dual-Stream Neural Networks

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Egocentric Action Recognition

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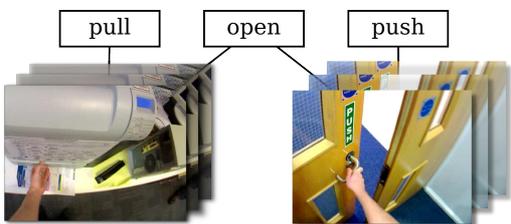
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Object Interactions – the Dilemma

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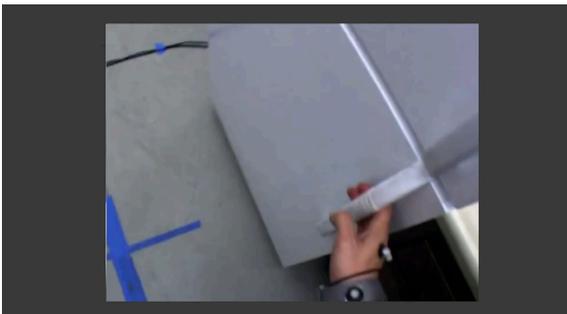
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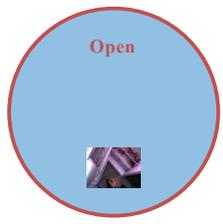
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Open



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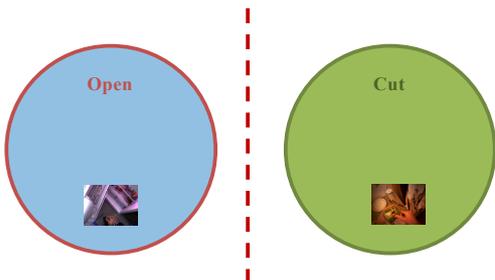
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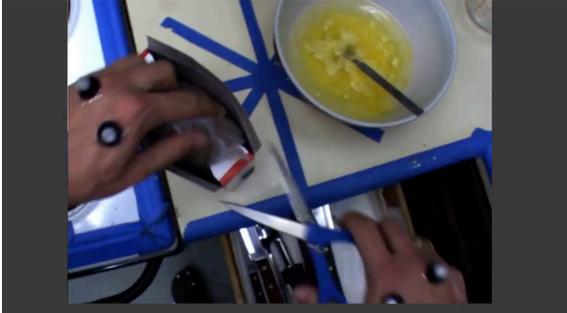
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Object Interactions – the Dilemma

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- Verbs cannot be separated into classes with hard boundaries.
- Rather the boundaries are more nuanced – what is correct in one video is incorrect for another.
- Singular classes are not enough.

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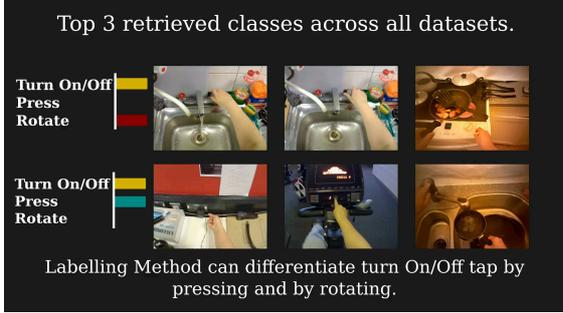
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Towards an Unequivocal Representation of Actions

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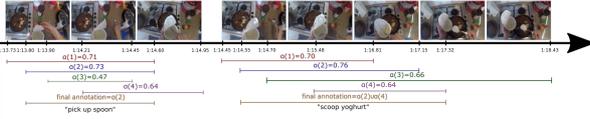
Top 3 retrieved classes across all datasets.



Labelling Method can differentiate turn On/Off tap by pressing and by rotating.

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Temporal Boundaries for Object Interactions



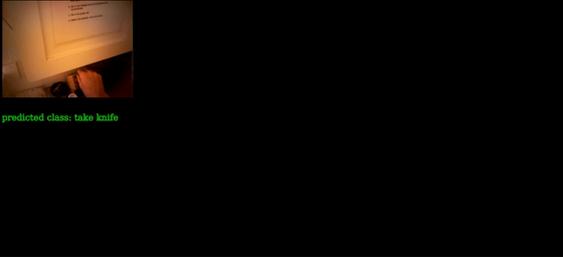
- How robust are current state-of-the-art approaches to annotated boundaries in test segments?
- Modify test segment boundaries, maintaining significant overlap of segments IoU > 0.5
- **Correct in Green – Incorrect in Red**

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Trespassing the Boundaries

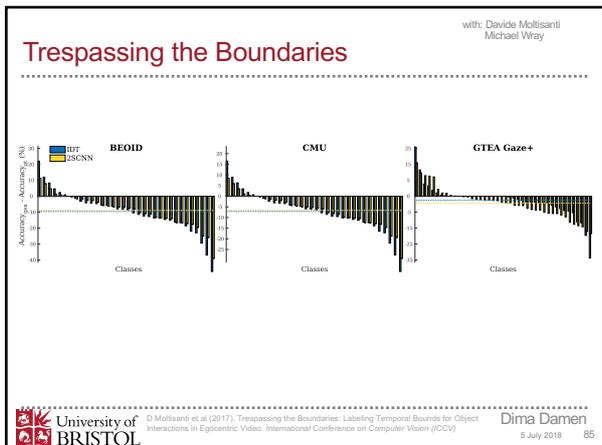
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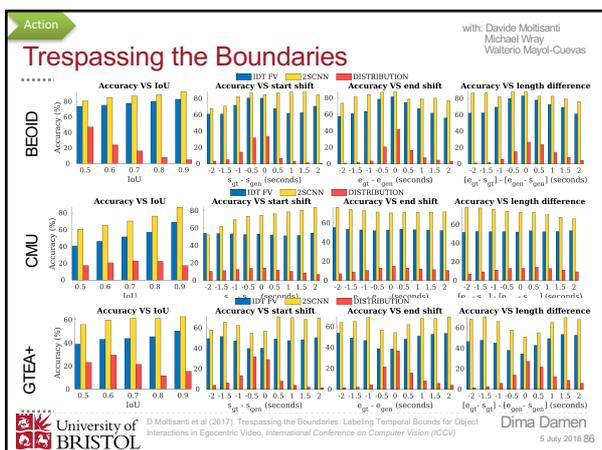
GTEA Gaze+



predicted class: take knife

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The Rubicon Boundaries

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- Labelling approach proposal for temporally consistent annotations
- Decomposes an object interaction into two phases:
 - pre-actional phase
 - actional phase

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pre-actional phase actional phase

CUT PEPPER

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Cut pepper (GTEA Gaze+)

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IoU

Conventional annotations RB annotations

pick-up cup turn tap put cup press button take cup pick-up jar put jar open jar take spoon scoop jar stir cup wash cup scan card

Actions

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5. Multi-View Action Recognition

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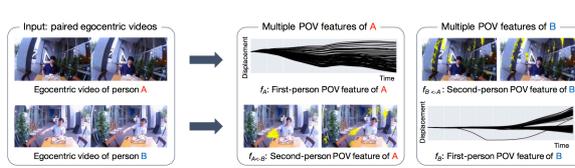


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FPV with SPV

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Input: paired egocentric videos

Egocentric video of person A

Egocentric video of person B

Multiple POV features of A

Multiple POV features of B

$f_{A \rightarrow A}$: First-person POV feature of A

$f_{B \rightarrow A}$: Second-person POV feature of A

$f_{A \rightarrow B}$: Second-person POV feature of B

$f_{B \rightarrow B}$: First-person POV feature of B

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FPV with TPV (top-view)

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Egocentric Videos

Top-view Video

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FPV with TPV (top-view)

Figure from: Roberts and Boppre (2015), Egocentric Matching between Egocentric and Top-view Videos, ECCV

Egocentric Vision

- The Unique Problems
 1. Camera Motion
 2. Mapping and Localisation (ref tomorrow's talk)
 3. Attention and Task-Relevance
 4. Object Interactions
 5. Multi-view Solutions
- The Unique Applications
 1. Video Summarisation
 2. Skill Determination
 3. Real-time solutions

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The Unique Applications

1. Video Summarisation

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Video Summarisation

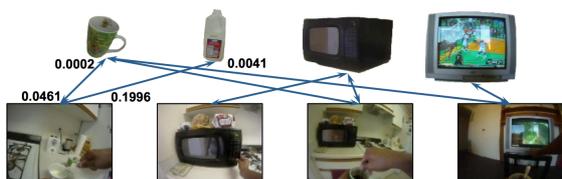
- Fixations
- Highlight Detection



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Egocentric Video Summarisation

- Object-Driven



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- Object-Driven



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- Fixation-Driven with Constraints

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- Fixations from IMUs

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2. Skill Determination

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Surgery¹ Drawing Chopstick-Using Dough-Rolling²

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$$L_{rank1} = \sum_{(p_i, p_j) \in \Psi} \max(0, m - f(p_i) + f(p_j)) \quad (3)$$

$$L_{rank2} = \sum_{(p_i, p_j) \in \Psi} \sum_{k=1}^N \max(0, m - f_k(p_i) + f_k(p_j)) \quad (5)$$

$$L_{sim} = \sum_{(p_i, p_j) \in \Psi} \sum_{k=1}^N \max(0, |f(p_i) - f(p_j)| - m) \quad (7)$$

$$L_{rank3} = \beta L_{rank2} + (1 - \beta) L_{sim} \quad (8)$$

Method	Surgery			Dough-Rolling			Drawing			Chopstick-Using		
	S	T	TS	S	T	TS	S	T	TS	S	T	TS
Siamese TSN with margin loss	64.7	72.8	69.1	77.6	79.4	78.5	75.6	77.4	78.0	67.2	67.9	68.8
+ splits	64.4	73.3	69.0	79.1	80.4	78.5	74.9	81.8	79.1	67.2	69.9	68.8
+ similarity loss	66.4	72.5	70.2	79.5	79.5	79.4	77.6	82.7	83.2	70.8	70.6	71.5

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$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{j=1}^{\sigma} \alpha f_s(p_{ij}) + (1 - \alpha) f_t(p_{ij})$$

alpha	Surgery	Dough-Rolling	Drawing	Chopstick-Using
0.0	72.5	79.5	82.7	70.8
0.2	71.5	78.5	82.0	70.5
0.4	70.5	79.0	82.5	70.5
0.6	69.5	79.5	82.0	70.5
0.8	68.5	78.5	80.5	70.5
1.0	67.5	77.5	79.5	70.5

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Example Rankings



Lowest Highest

Sonic-Drawing task - part of new skill dataset

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3. Real-time Solutions

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Wearable (Systems)!

- On-the-cloud processing
- On-the-mobile processing
- Onboard processing!

Connecting-to-the-cloud

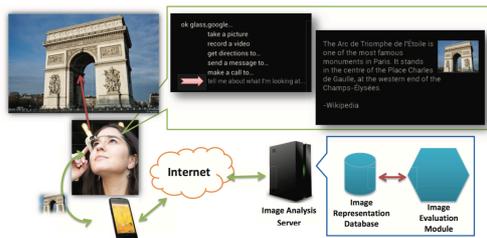


Figure 1. System overview. The user asks the device to inform her about her current view of Arc de Triomphe, and the system responds with the most relevant description in its database.

Action

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The need for large-scaled datasets...

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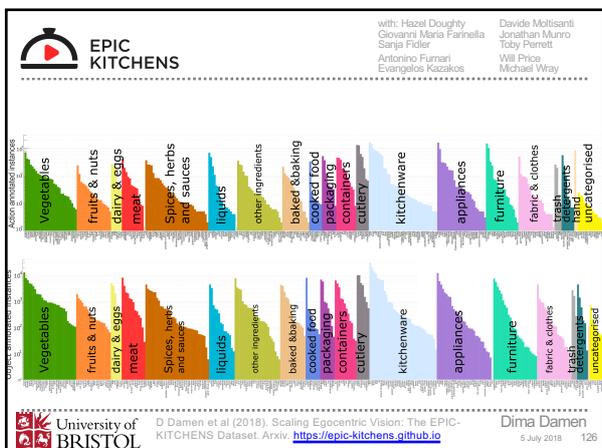
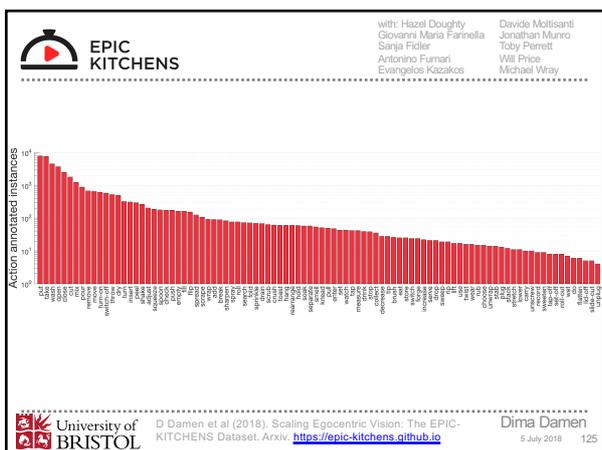
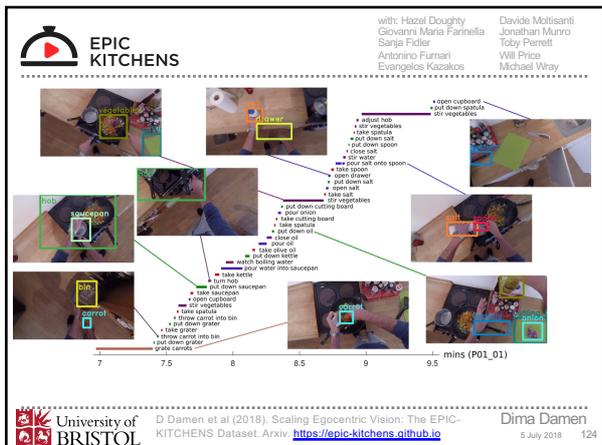
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TABLE 1: Comparative overview of relevant datasets. *action classes with > 50 samples

Dataset	Ego?	Non-Scripted?	Native Env?	Year	Frames	Sequences	Action Segments	Action Classes	Object BBox	Object Classes	Participants	No. Emvs
EPIC-KITCHENS	✓	✓	✓	2018	11.5M	432	29,596	109*	454,158	323	32	32
EGTEA Gaze+ [19]	✓	×	×	2018	2.4M	86	10,325	106	0	0	32	1
BEOID [21]	✓	×	×	2014	0.1M	58	1,488	34	0	0	5	1
GTEA Gaze+ [20]	✓	×	×	2012	0.4M	35	3,371	42	0	0	13	1
ADI [23]	✓	×	✓	2012	1.0M	20	456	32	137,780	42	20	20
CMU [22]	✓	×	×	2009	0.2M	16	516	31	0	0	16	1
VLOG [15]	×	✓	✓	2017	37.2M	114K	0	0	0	0	10.7K	N/A
Charades [16]	×	×	✓	2016	7.4M	9368	67,000	157	0	0	N/A	267
Breakfast [24]	×	✓	✓	2014	3.0M	433	3078	50	0	0	52	18
50 Salads [25]	×	×	×	2013	0.6M	50	2967	52	0	0	25	1
MPII Cooking 2 [26]	×	×	×	2012	2.9M	273	14,105	88	0	0	30	1

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TABLE 4: Statistics of test splits: seen (S1) and unseen (S2) kitchens

	#Subjects	#Sequences	Duration (s)	%	Narrated Segments	Action Segments	Bounding Boxes
Train/Val	28	272	141731		28,588	28,561	326,298
S1 Test	28	106	39084	20%	8,069	8,064	97,865
S2 Test	4	54	13231	7%	2,939	2,939	29,995

15 Most Frequent Object Classes

naP	pan	plate	bowl	cutlery	tip	pot	knife	spoon	meat	food	potato	cup	glass	cupboard	lid	few-shot	many-shot	all
0.00	74.00	72.01	71.50	60.72	84.44	69.97	44.03	40.07	26.65	58.52	62.82	33.30	78.29	31.06	62.91	9.71	45.80	38.23
0.5	67.60	66.21	65.98	39.86	71.80	64.71	28.80	23.89	20.75	49.83	55.48	42.99	49.75	29.29	58.48	6.98	36.50	28.06
0.75	21.94	44.00	39.48	3.52	25.83	19.67	3.42	2.59	2.57	15.78	13.18	4.08	24.25	4.05	28.51	0.36	6.73	6.50
0.05	75.94	87.36	72.72	43.61	78.14	75.92	55.31	41.28	31.59	38.61	N/A	44.62	30.58	53.88	58.40	6.00	51.71	40.61
0.15	63.88	84.86	68.61	32.18	59.75	62.86	39.60	27.52	53.54	35.47	N/A	39.19	76.27	32.54	49.28	5.52	36.27	28.57
0.75	14.56	62.52	38.44	2.25	4.89	4.59	3.82	1.25	2.56	8.10	N/A	7.60	43.20	5.61	23.48	0.18	10.05	7.04

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TABLE 6: Baseline results for the action recognition challenge

	Top-1 Accuracy			Top-5 Accuracy			Avg Class Precision			Avg Class Recall		
	VERB	NOUN	ACTION	VERB	NOUN	ACTION	VERB	NOUN	ACTION	VERB	NOUN	ACTION
RGB	43.25	35.78	18.91	86.07	62.80	39.39	54.94	40.41	07.01	23.31	30.03	05.29
FLOW	43.27	17.92	09.10	79.89	39.63	21.91	64.58	24.51	01.52	15.35	09.72	01.28
FUSION	47.26	36.05	19.44	84.27	61.05	35.45	63.12	44.24	07.43	21.05	29.25	05.22
RGB	35.96	21.74	09.96	74.70	44.95	24.59	45.40	22.14	02.06	11.79	16.75	01.91
FLOW	40.56	14.91	07.28	73.66	33.87	18.29	44.83	22.99	00.92	14.16	08.29	00.94
FUSION	39.67	22.33	10.84	74.53	45.23	23.52	59.60	23.65	02.09	13.37	16.84	01.84

TABLE 7: Sample baseline action recognition per-class metrics (using fusion)

	15 Most Frequent Verb Classes														
	put	take	wash	open	close	cut	mix	pour	move	turn-on	remove	turn-off	throw	dry	peel
RECALL	65.32	51.01	80.45	60.08	27.13	74.27	52.63	24.87	00.00	35.63	01.58	01.67	10.11	29.73	26.09
PRECISION	35.62	41.24	63.17	72.67	72.46	69.38	69.52	66.20	-	53.33	66.67	50.00	56.25	88.00	54.55
RECALL	64.16	48.03	87.76	42.06	15.10	45.69	35.85	06.06	00.00	00.00	00.81	00.00	00.00	00.00	00.00
PRECISION	30.19	30.46	67.79	57.31	61.54	85.48	65.52	40.00	00.00	100.00	-	-	-	-	-

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Interactive Conclusions

- Fill in the blanks:
 - Egocentric vision is -----
 - Pick up an action (e.g. open door). Draw a sketch of how it looks like from FPV and TPV
 - The biggest challenge (in your opinion) in egocentric vision is -----
 - The most interesting problem (to you) in egocentric vision is -----



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- Egocentric Perception, Interaction and Computing (EPIC) Workshop Series
 - ECCV 2016 (Amsterdam)
 - ICCV 2017 (Venice)
 - ECCV 2018 (Munich)
 - Paper deadline: Tomorrow!
 - Abstract submission till 23rd of July (ongoing work)



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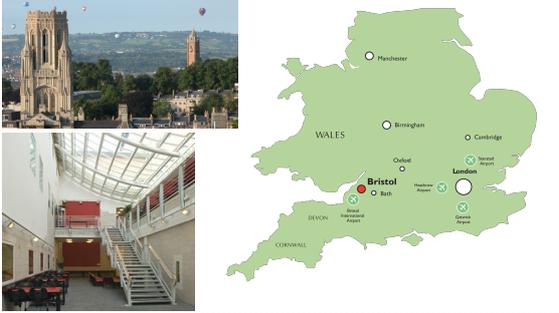
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