# Subjective Problems

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https://www.ischool.utexas.edu/~dannag/Courses/CrowdsourcingForCV/CourseContent.html

#### Review

- Last week:
  - Visual question answering and dialog applications
  - Evaluation for visual question answering
  - Crowdsourcing for visual question answering
  - Crowdsourcing for visual dialog
- Assignments (Class Website & Canvas)
  - Project outline due yesterday
  - Project prototype demo due today
  - Project presentation due in three weeks
- Questions?

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#### Subjective Problems

What are these? Tasks where people can hold different, yet valid opinions based on their personal ideas, feelings, or tastes

What aren't these? Tasks with a single, objective truth

### Applications: Image Search



### Applications: Company/Product Advertising

• e.g., what logo?

• e.g., what website images?

• e.g., what paid advertisements?

### Applications: Social Networking

How to post popular/memorable/funny/viral posts?



Figure credit: http://www.mysocialstream.com/blog/2017-08-21-unique-strategies-to-make-your-social-media-posts-go-viral/

### Applications: Journalism

- How to use images to convey desired emotions?
  - e.g., what does she feel?



https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/com mons/2/26/Allie\_Mae\_Burroughs\_print.jpg

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- Image Memorability Game posted to AMT
  - Sequence of 120 images shown over span of ~5 minutes
  - Each image displayed for 1 second followed by 1.4 second gap
  - Task: press space bar whenever a repeat of a previously shown image is shown



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- Qualification and training demo provided before workers could begin the game
- Game automatically ended if participant performance fell below pre-defined success thresholds and data discarded
- Crowd workers were blocked from further contributions when the above happened more than 3 times

• Examples of what the crowd found most/least memorable:



c) Least memorable images (34%)

- Work was expanded to predict memorability scores for
  - Scenes [Isola et al; CVPR 2011]
  - Faces [Bainbridge et al; CogSci 2012]
  - Scientific visualizations [Borkin et al; TVCG 2013]



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What message does this visualization try to convey?



#### Obama is an inferior candidate to Romney

What message does this visualization try to convey?



Mac is more user friendly than a PC

What message does this visualization try to convey?

#### Hitler is kind and trustworthy



Can we understand and teach machines to predict the message that an image conveys?



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Task for each of 9 communicative intents:

e.g., "In which image does [BARACK OBAMA] look more [COMPETENT]"



Global ranking created from all results





Powerful

Trustworthy

Competent

Comforting





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A:

A (Miley Cyrus)



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\* 8,523 images from the Public Figures Face database that represents 60 public figures/categories

\* 1,600 images from SUN that span 80 categories

2. Image Labeling

\* AMT crowd workers rated on a scale of 1 (not very annoyed) to 5 (very annoyed) how annoyed they would be in searching for images from class B if they were shown images from class A

\* Redundant annotations collected for each image (10 for PubFig, 5 for SUN)

 Regressors were trained to predict the annoyance score (average score of crowd votes for both datasets (PubFaces and Scenes)





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- Which emotion(s) best describe the expressed emotion of this image?
  - Joy?
  - Sadness?
  - Fear?
  - Disgust?
  - Anger?
  - Surprise?
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\* Ekman's six basic emotions: anger, disgust, joy, fear, sadness, and surprise since their importance is implied by multiple psychological theorists employing them 2. Image Collection \* 1,980 images collected with 330 images per category by searching for each category and its synonyms in: \* AN emp evolution \* 15 each

3. Image Labeling

\* AMT crowd workers employed to rate the evoked emotions for each image

\* 15 AMT workers rated each image

#### Instructions:

#### Task:



• Dataset used to train/test a regressor per emotion and then predict the emotion distribution



#### Subjective Problem Studies



• What rating would you give this image on a scale from 1 to 5?

- 1- not funny
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 extremely funny



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(10 crowd workers)

• What rating would you give this image on a scale from 1 to 5?



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\* Crowd workers recruited to create 3,200 "funny" abstract scenes

#### Depict Funny Scenarios! (Living/Dining Room)

[Images may take some time to load] [Spamming will get blocked] [Tested with Chrome, Firefox and Safari. Interface may not work well with Internet Explorer]

Using the clipart interface below, please create scenes where a funny scenario is being depicted.

Please follow the instructions carefully, otherwise your work WILL BE REJECTED.

1. While funny, make your scenarios realistic and meaningful (e.g., the scene should not contain a random assortment of clipart pieces).

2. Other people should also find your scenario funny (e.g., no inside jokes).

3. Please use at least 6 pieces of clipart in the scene.

4. If you do multiple HITs, please be sure to create very different scenarios across HITs and not minor variations of a previously created scenario.

5. Give us a **description** of why you think the scenario is funny. Once you create a scene and click next, you will be asked to provide a **description** of what about the scenario is funny.

#### Below are examples of bad scenarios that are either not realistic or not funny:



Clipart objects (5 instances each) may be added by dragging them onto the scene and removed by dragging them off. They may be resized (CTRL + a/CTRL + z), flipped (CTRL + c), sent backward (CTRL + s) or brought forward (CTRL + x).

#### You will be asked to complete 2 tasks.

You can go back and forth between all of your scenarios by pressing "Prev" and "Next". When you finish your last one, a pop-up will ask you to submit the HIT. We'd love to hear any feedback you have about the usability of the interface, any bugs you encounter, or the HIT in general, so feel free to leave a comment. Thanks for your work!

Scenario 1/2	Prev Next	
		People Animals Large Small objects objects
Scene Depth Fli	p	

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\* AMT crowd workers rated on a scale of 1 (not funny) to 5 (extremely funny) each image

\* 10 crowd workers rated each image

#### Subjective Problem: Predicting Visual Humor

• Datasets used to develop a regressor that predicts the funniness score (avg score of 10 crowd votes)



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### **Class Discussion**

**Beforehand**: brainstorm 1 idea for a subjective task you would like to develop an AI algorithm to be able to do and submit to a Google form

- 1. [7 minutes] Each group must choose 1 idea from the list
- 2. [15 minutes] Then, each group must:

a. Create a plan for how you will create a dataset with 100,000 labeled examples using crowdsourcing

- b. Estimate the budget for this project
- 3. Then, each group will present their final plan to the class
- 4. Each person in the class will get to allocate \$50,000 to preferred projects
- 5. We will tally the allocated money to identify which projects are best-funded

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## Final Project Paper: Writing Support

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  - can schedule four individual 45-minutes consultation per month
- Tutoring:
  - <u>https://utdirect.utexas.edu/apps/ugs/my/tutoring/student/tutoring-agreement/</u>

### Final Project Paper: Plagiarism

• Material from: https://legacy.lib.utexas.edu/services/instruction/avoidplagiarism.html

#### University of Texas Definition of Plagiarism:

"the appropriation of, buying, receiving as a gift, or obtaining by any means material that is

attributable in whole or in part to another source, including words, ideas, illustrations, structure,

computer code, and other expression

or media, and presenting that material as one's own academic work being offered for credit."

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#### Plagiarism in Plain English:

Using someone else's work in your own academic work without giving proper credit. Click a button below to see some examples.

Intentional Plagiarism

Unintentional Plagiarism

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#### Intentional Plagiarism:

- Copying a friend's or classmate's work
- Buying or borrowing papers
- Cutting and pasting blocks of text without providing documentation of the original source
- Borrowing images and other media without documentation of the original source
- Publishing work on the Web without the permission of the creator

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#### Unintentional Plagiarism:

- Careless paraphrasing
- Poor documentation of sources
- Quoting excessively
- Failure to use your own ideas or words

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During the course of your research, you come across an idea that you use in your paper. You don't use the author's exact words or even paraphrase -- just the idea. Cite it?

Other people's words aren't the only thing you need to cite. You also need to cite ideas. So in this case, you should give the author credit for the idea by citing them.

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You are doing a presentation for your Chemistry class and use an image of the Periodic Table you found on a government web site. Cite it?

You should cite images. Even government websites in the public domain need to be cited.

- What can happen if you are accused of plagiarism?
  - Redo assignment
  - Receive a failing grade
  - Be suspended
  - Be expelled
- What resources can help you to avoid plagiarism?
  - Review: <a href="https://legacy.lib.utexas.edu/services/instruction/avoidplagiarism.html">https://legacy.lib.utexas.edu/services/instruction/avoidplagiarism.html</a>
  - Review: <u>https://legacy.lib.utexas.edu/d7/sites/default/files/services/instruction/AvoidingPlagiarism\_guide.pdf</u>
  - Visit writing center: <a href="http://uwc.utexas.edu/">http://uwc.utexas.edu/</a>
- Neither you (I believe) nor I have any desire to talk about plagiarism  $\textcircled{\odot}$
- Play it safe and give credit generously!!!

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#### Final Project Video

- Video creation/editing resources:
  - <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1y1AENPLDGi4N1oUmd7g4Z4id\_ih31H</u> wUOmrM1jy2Gjg/edit
- Attributions:
  - Creative commons license generator: <a href="https://creativecommons.org/choose/">https://creativecommons.org/choose/</a>

### Give Credit Generously

- Idea: add credit page to your presentation for resources used
  - e.g., Microsoft Azure
  - e.g., freely-shared code/libraries
  - e.g., links to all images
  - ...