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A Geometry-Sensitive Representation for Photographic Style Classification

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Aesthetic vs Physical Properties

Physical Properties

Building, Windows, Logo



Man, Woman, Street



Glass, Lights, Room



Aesthetic Properties


Good Symmetry, Soft Colours

Black and White, High Contrast


Good Bokeh, Complementary Colours

Aesthetic properties are less quantifiable, subjective properties and hence harder to be modelled.

Objective



Automatic Photographic Style Prediction

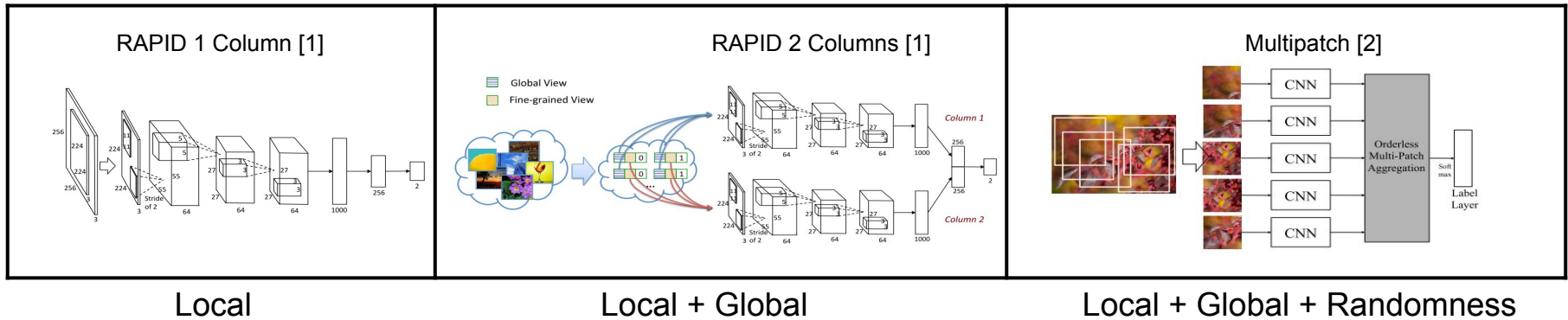


Style	Probability
Complementary_Colors	0.998
Macro	0.963
Rule_of_Thirds	0.893
Shallow_DOF	0.728
Silhouettes	0.711
Negative_Image	0.593
Soft_Focus	0.576
HDR	0.436
Motion_Blur	0.358
Long_Exposure	0.262
Light_On_White	0.210
Vanishing_Point	0.062
Image_Grain	0.055
Duotones	0.008

<https://github.com/V-Sense/A-Geometry-Sensitive-Approach-for-Photographic-Style-Classification.git>

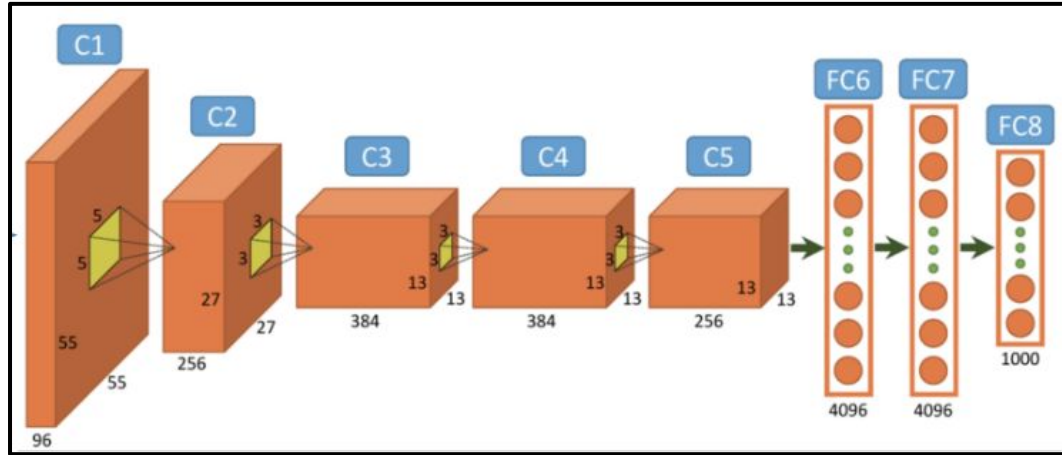
Traditional Approach

State of the art : Train a CNN on a photographic dataset.

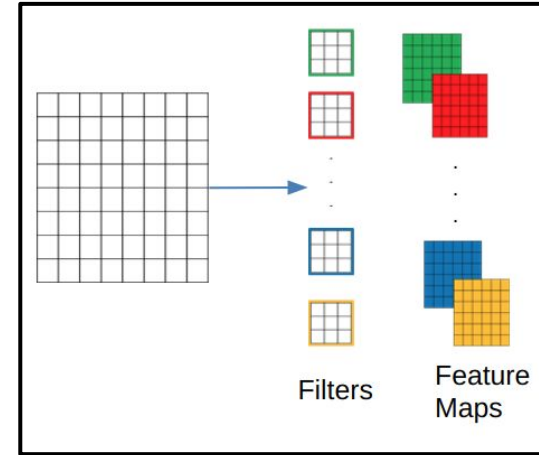


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Standard Convolutional Filters



A standard CNN

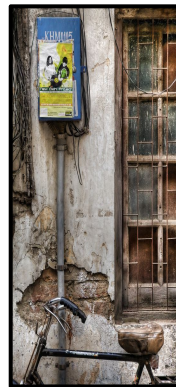
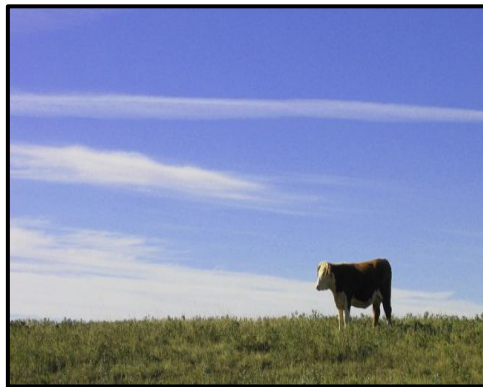


Parameter sharing

'translation invariant',
'appearance cognizant'

Image courtesy : <https://www.saagie.com/blog/>

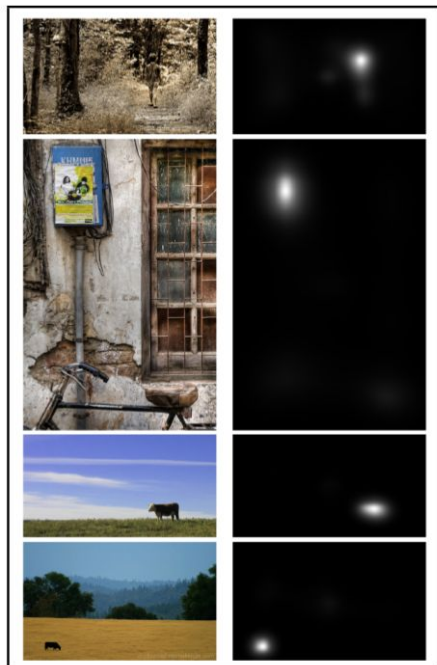
Problems



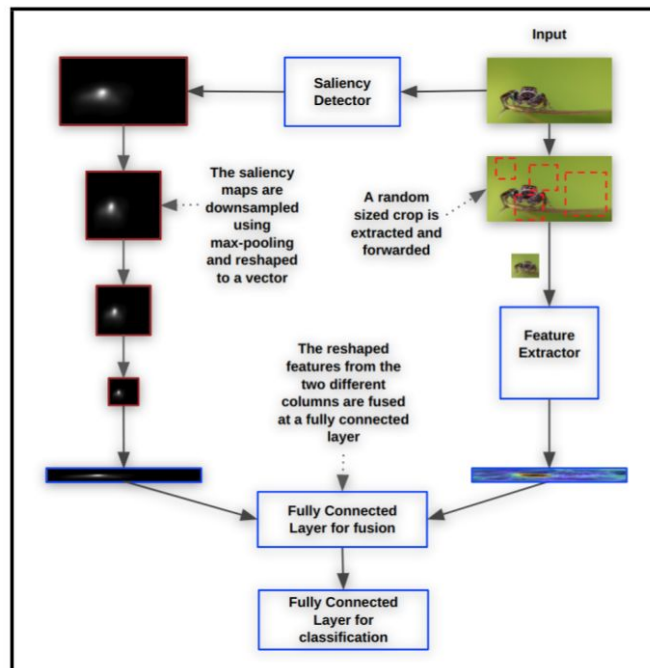
- Diverse Aspect Ratio
- Position of the main subject is crucial for framing

Image courtesy : Flickr

Approach



Saliency Maps



Network

Sal-RGB = Saliency Maps
[Cornia *et al.*] +
RGB-based features.

'location cognizant',
'appearance invariant'

Marcella Cornia, Lorenzo Baraldi, Giuseppe Serra, and Rita Cucchiara. 2016. **Predicting human eye fixations via an LSTM-based saliency attentive model.** arXiv preprint arXiv:1611.09571 (2016)

Datasets

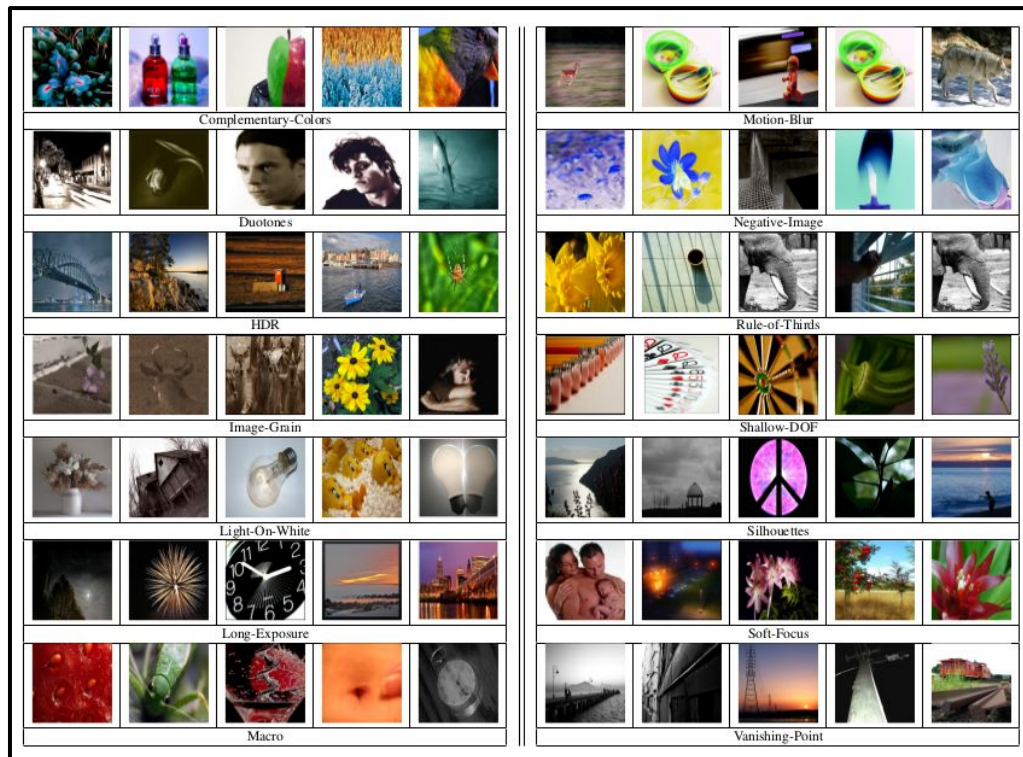
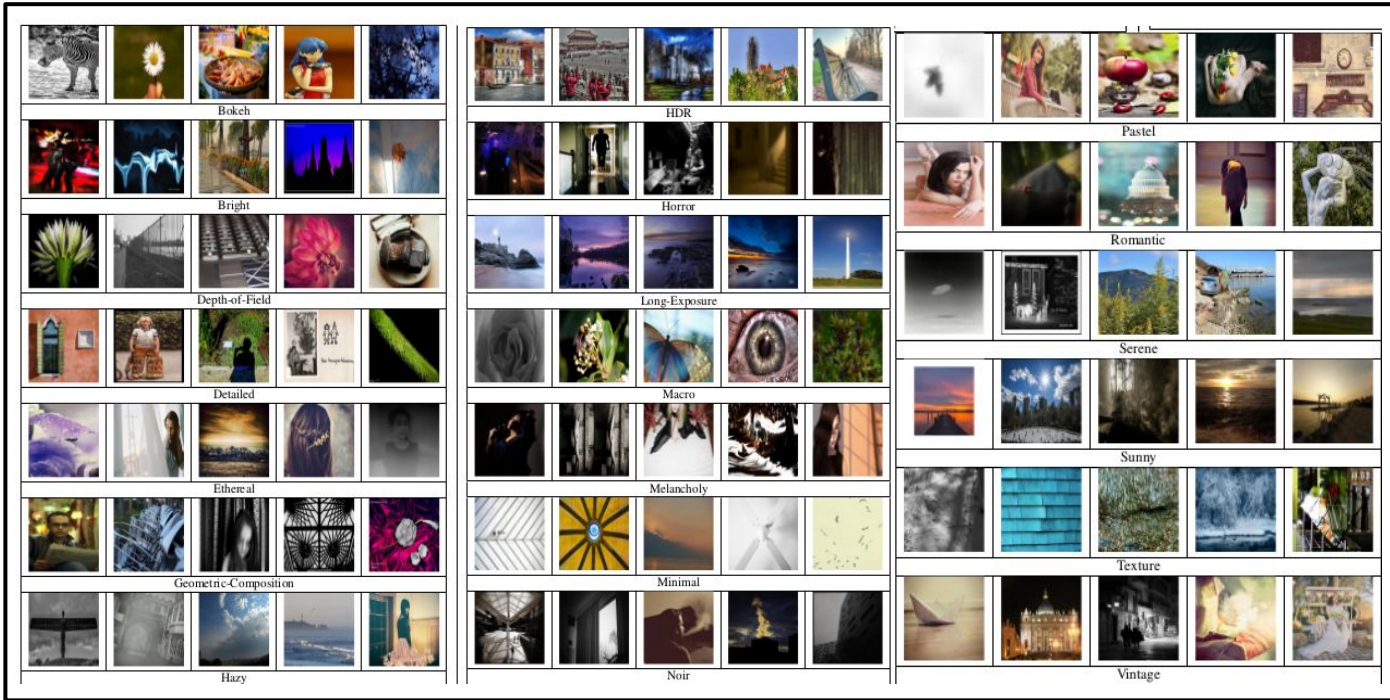


Image courtesy : AVA Style dataset

AVA Style

- 14 categories
- ~14000 Images
- Multi-labelled test data
- Highly imbalanced training data



Flickr Style

- 20 categories
- ~80000 images
- Complex Classes

Image courtesy : Flickr Style dataset

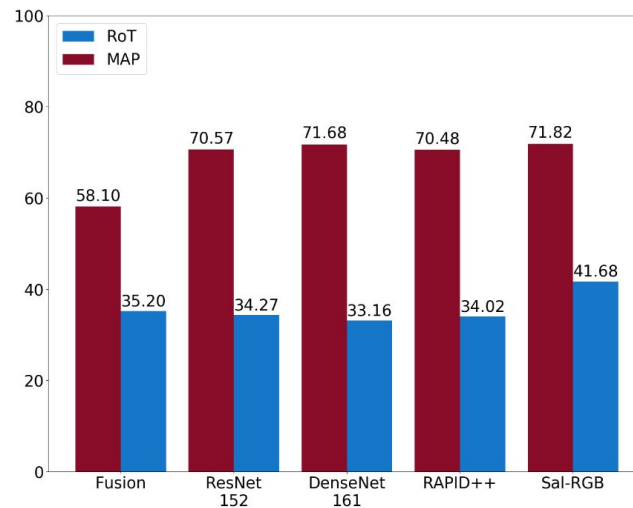
Results : Mean Average Precision (MAP)

Algorithm	Network	Augmentation	AVA	Flickr Style
State of the art	Fusion [Karayev et al., 2014]	centre crop	58.10	36.80
	RAPID [Lu et al., 2014]	random crop, warp	56.81	-
	Multi-Patch [Lu et al., 2015]	random crop	64.07	-
Our baselines	DenseNet161 [Huang et al., 2016]	random crop	71.68	43.83
	ResNet152 [He et al., 2016]	random crop	70.57	43.65
	RAPID++	random crop, warp	70.48	41.93
Our method	Sal-RGB	random crop	71.82	43.45

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- G. Huang, Z. Liu, and K. Q. Weinberger. **Densely connected convolutional networks**. arXiv preprint arXiv:1608.06993, 2016

Results : Per Class Precision on AVA

Styles	Fusion (SoA) [Karayev et al. 2014]	Densenet161 [Huang et al. 2016a]	ResNet152 [He et al. 2016]	RAPID++	Sal-RGB
Complementary_Colors	0.469	62.33	62.15	61.49	61.41
Duotones	0.676	86.58	84.82	84.77	87.58
HDR	0.669	74.95	70.08	71.51	72.86
Image_Grain	0.647	81.55	79.48	83.15	82.20
Light_On_White	0.908	84.69	83.41	85.64	82.99
Long_Exposure	0.453	64.16	65.38	63.94	61.94
Macro	0.478	64.89	65.52	64.90	66.58
Motion_Blur	0.478	63.93	62.12	61.21	61.98
Negative_Image	0.595	87.40	86.11	82.01	87.71
Rule_of_Thirds	0.352	33.16	34.27	34.02	41.68
Shallow_DOF	0.624	82.08	82.42	82.95	82.39
Silhouettes	0.791	93.73	92.49	91.14	93.05
Soft_Focus	0.312	49.89	44.91	44.57	46.41
Vanishing_Point	0.684	74.16	74.80	75.45	76.76

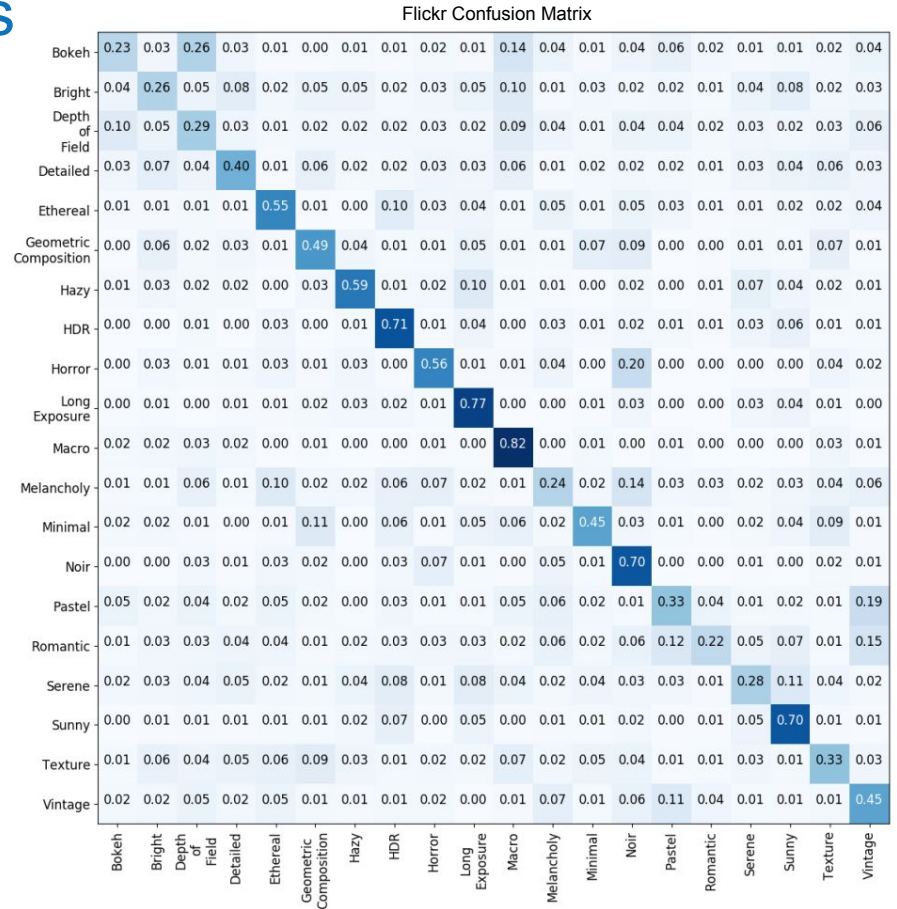
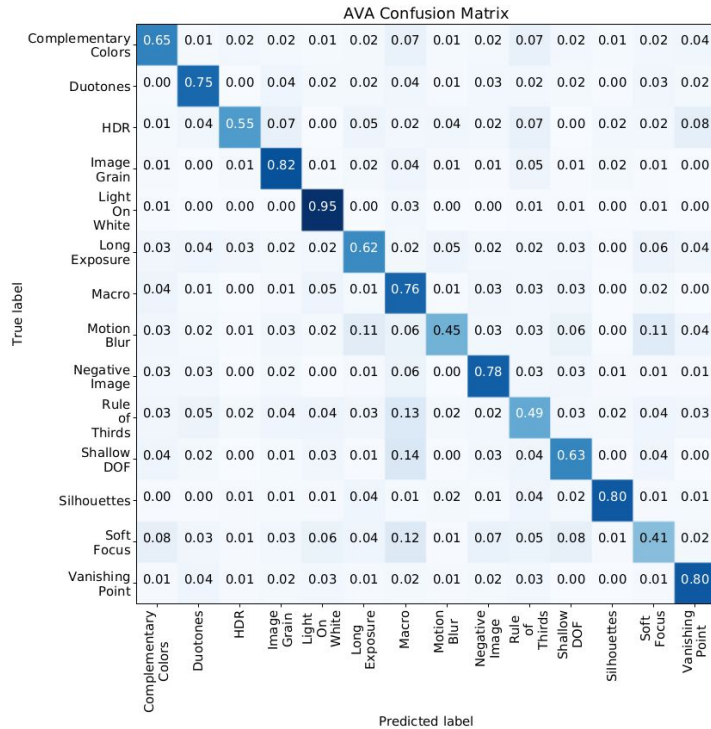


Rule of Thirds perform significantly better

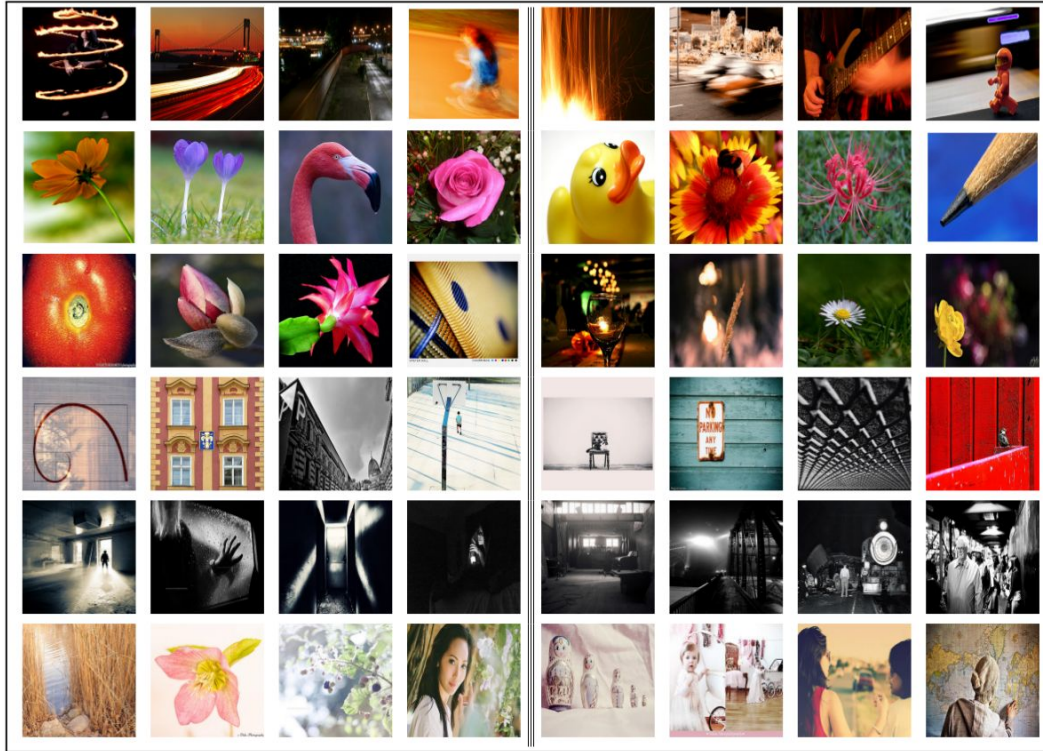
Results : Per Class Precision on Flickr

Styles	Fusion (SoA) [Karayev et al. 2014]	Densenet161 [Huang et al. 2016a]	ResNet152 [He et al. 2016]	RAPID++	Sal- RGB
Bokeh	28.80	30.24	31.34	29.39	29.78
Bright	25.10	22.97	23.12	22.69	23.33
Depth_of_Field	16.90	18.24	17.28	16.19	17.91
Detailed	33.70	37.96	38.27	38.50	38.09
Ethereal	40.80	50.31	50.88	48.15	50.03
Geometric_Composition	41.10	47.56	47.57	45.47	47.83
Hazy	48.70	61.59	60.01	57.68	60.92
HDR	49.30	65.44	65.24	61.03	64.92
Horror	40.00	64.24	64.17	58.40	64.16
Long_Exposure	51.50	65.36	64.76	61.40	63.62
Macro	61.70	67.44	70.26	69.60	68.18
Melancholy	16.80	19.82	20.33	18.50	19.71
Minimal	51.20	45.78	46.22	46.18	45.34
Noir	49.40	58.40	57.27	54.69	57.86
Pastel	25.80	34.15	34.05	30.71	34.17
Romantic	22.70	30.13	25.15	25.76	28.62
Serene	28.10	30.41	30.04	30.04	29.80
Sunny	50.00	59.99	60.56	58.57	58.58
Texture	26.50	28.98	30.52	29.72	29.65
Vintage	28.20	37.60	36.02	35.97	36.55

Results : Common Confusions



Results : Common Confusions



Long Exposure	Motion Blur
Shallow DOF	Macro
Shallow DOF	Bokeh
Geometric Composition	Minimal
Horror	Noir
Pastel	Vintage

Limitations

- Limited to a small number of attributes
- Geometric understanding is still quite low
- Attributes are overlapping which results in a high false positive rate.

Future Work

- Increase the number of style attributes
- Extend the system to videos and 360 images

Code and Data

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