

CSE 255 – Lecture 4

Data Mining and Predictive Analytics

Predicting image content using social
metadata

Images on the web

Can we make better
predictions
about image content by
understanding the
social network?

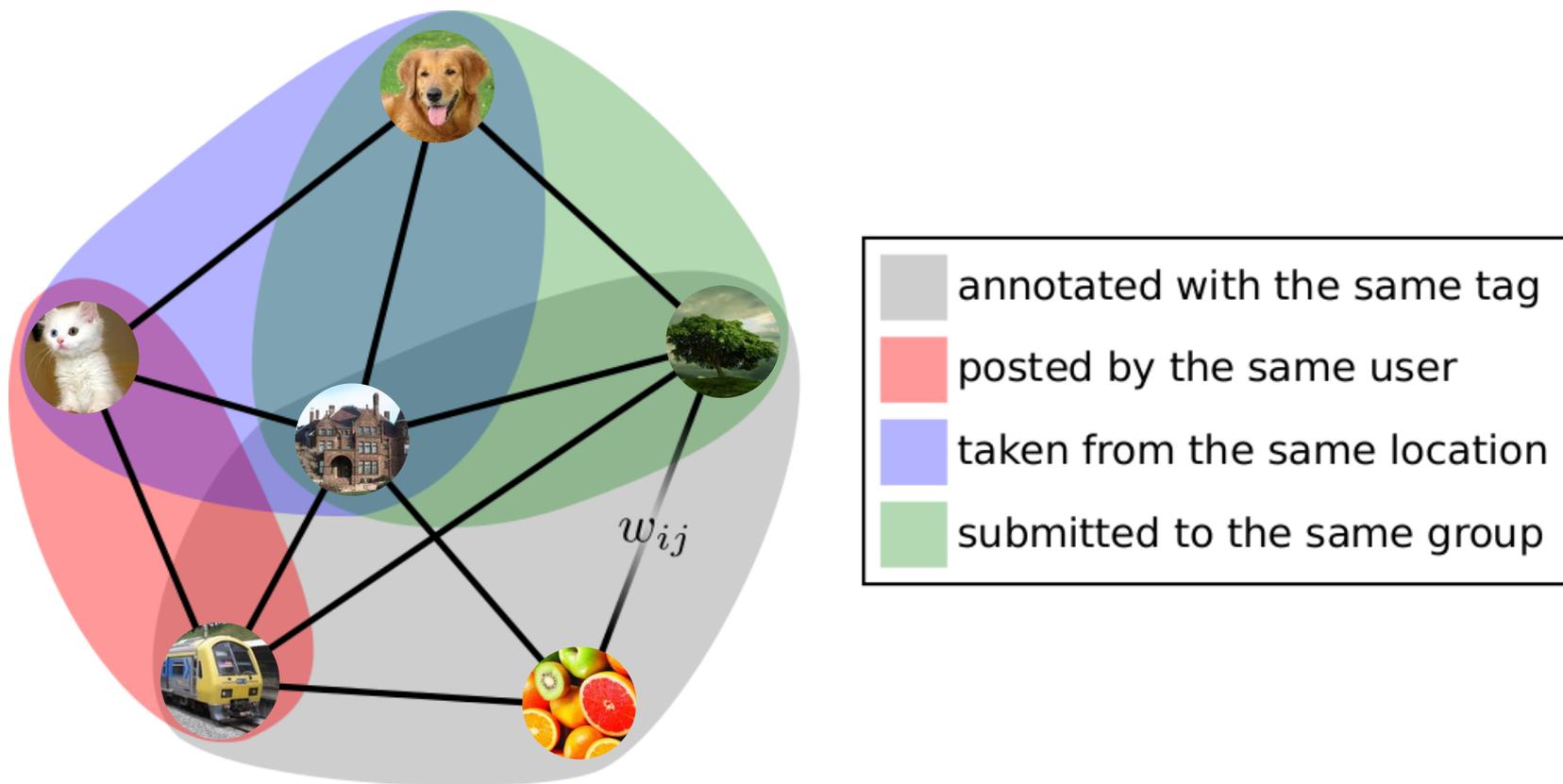


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Pinterest

1. Predicting content on image sharing networks



“**What** are the objects that appear in the image and how are images **related**”

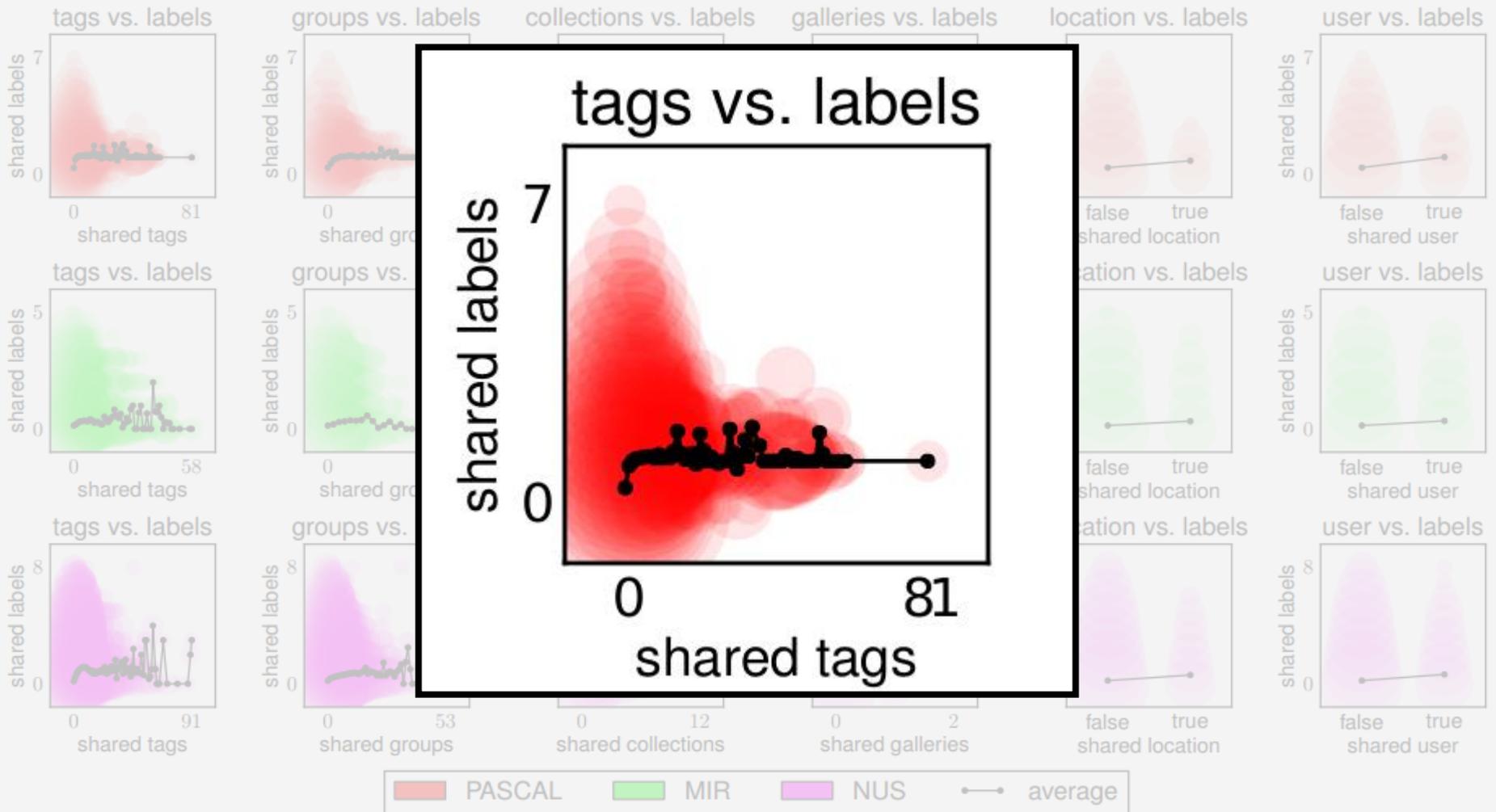
Dataset description

We collected Flickr metadata from four popular classification benchmarks:

	CLEF	PASCAL	MIR	NUS	Total
#photos	4546	10189	14460	244762	268587
#users	2663	8698	5661	48870	58522
#groups	10575	6951	21894	95358	98659
#comments	77837	16669	248803	9837732	10071439
#locations	1007	1222	2755	22106	23745
#labels	99	20	14	81	214

(Everingham et al. 2010; Huiskes et al. 2008; Nowak et al. 2010; Chua et al. 2009)

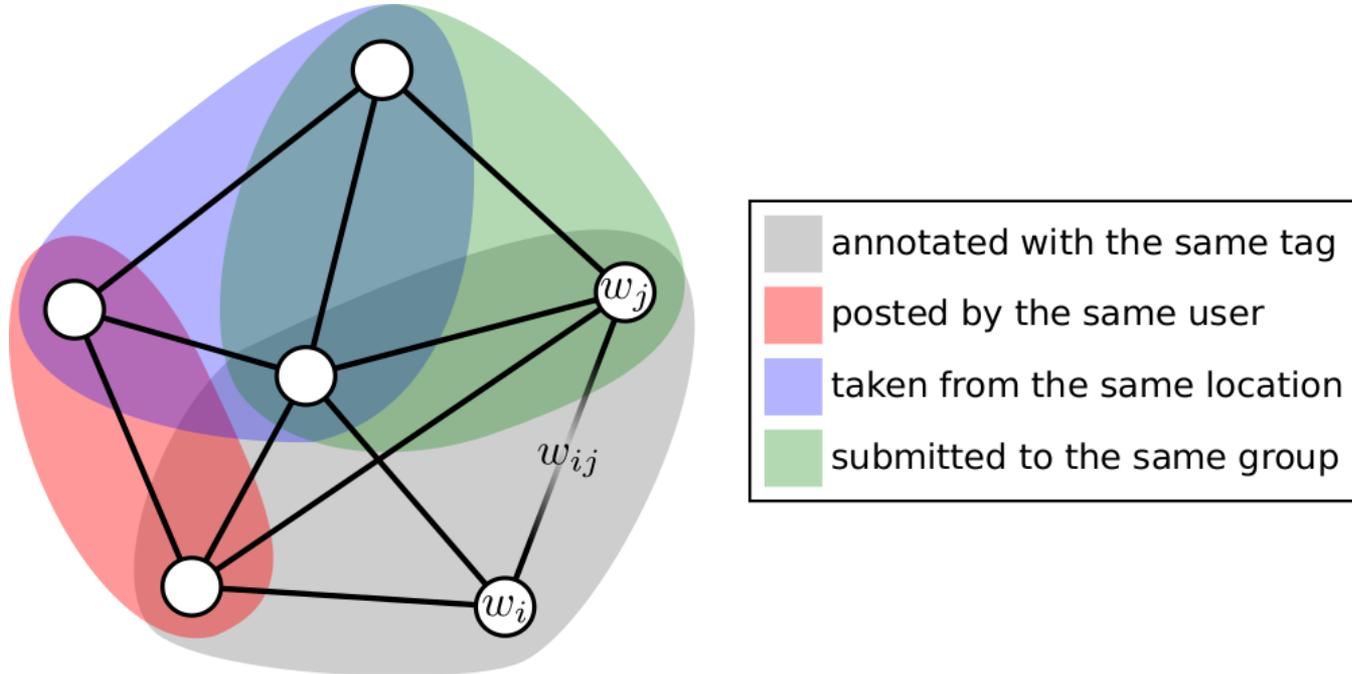
Does shared social data imply shared labels?



Model

Images that have **common social data** should have a higher probability of having the same labels

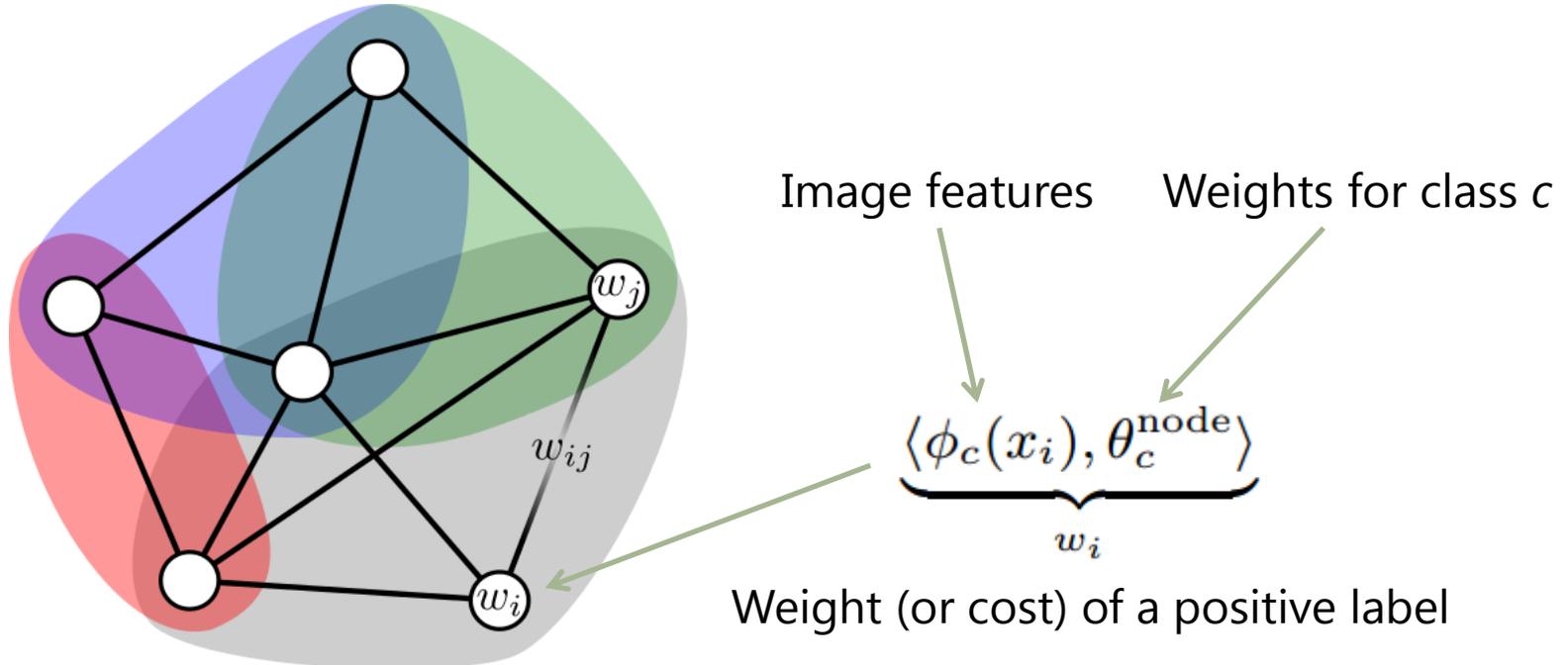
1. Build a **graph** of related images



Model

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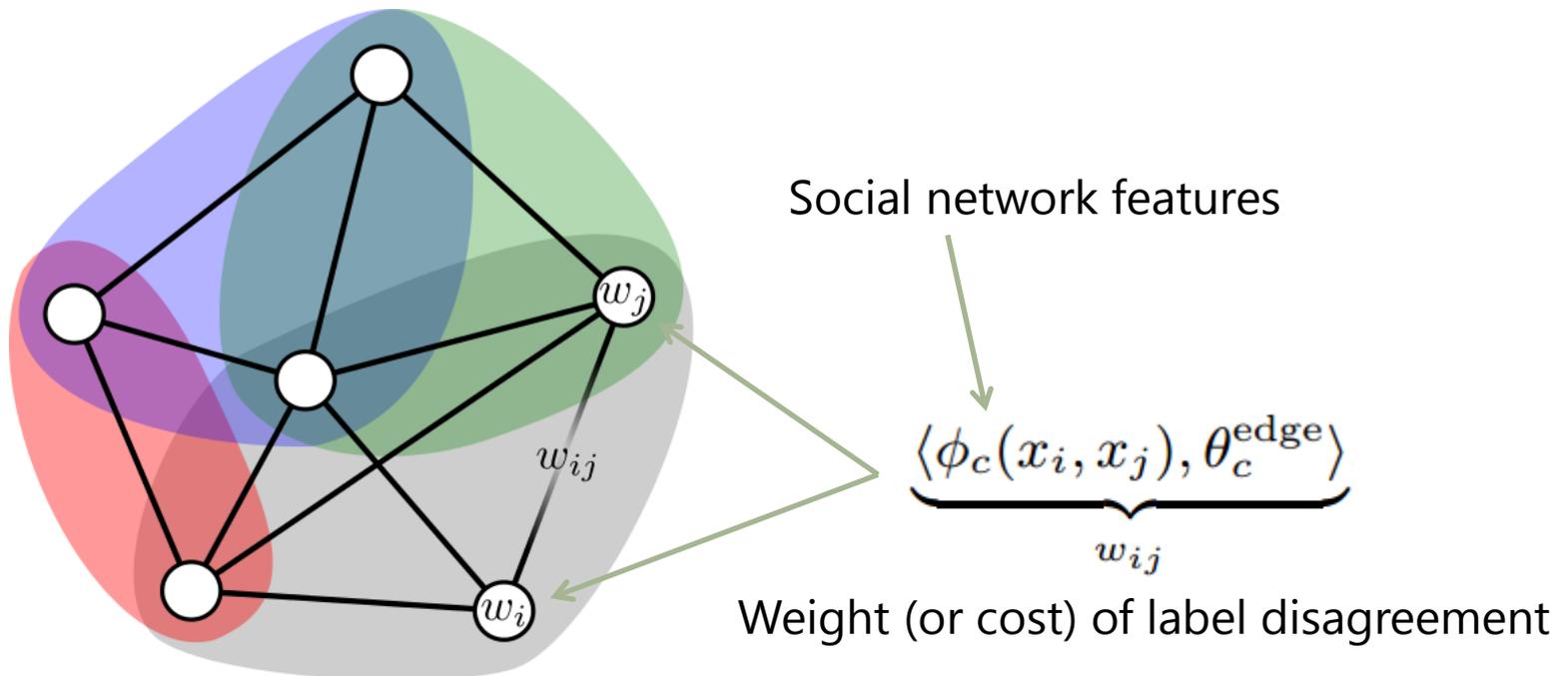
2. Build a **model** of image labels



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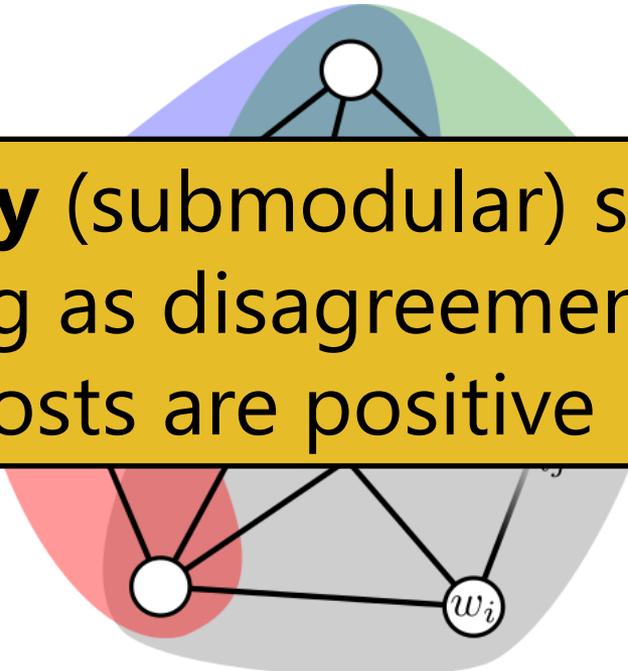
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3. **Inference**: minimize cost for all labels



Easy (submodular) so long as disagreement costs are positive

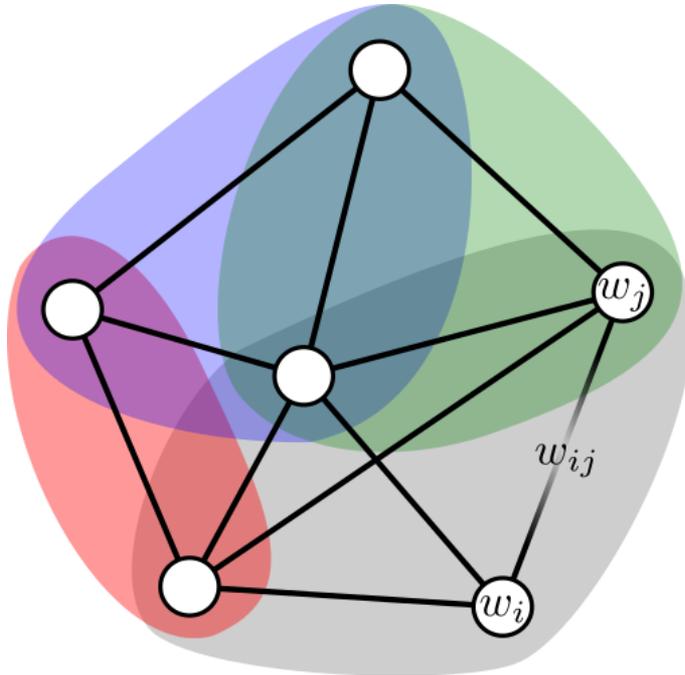
$$y_i \cdot \underbrace{\langle \phi_c(x_i), \theta_c^{\text{node}} \rangle}_{w_i} + \delta(y_i = y_j) \underbrace{\langle \phi_c(x_i, x_j), \theta_c^{\text{edge}} \rangle}_{w_{ij}}$$

Disagreement cost

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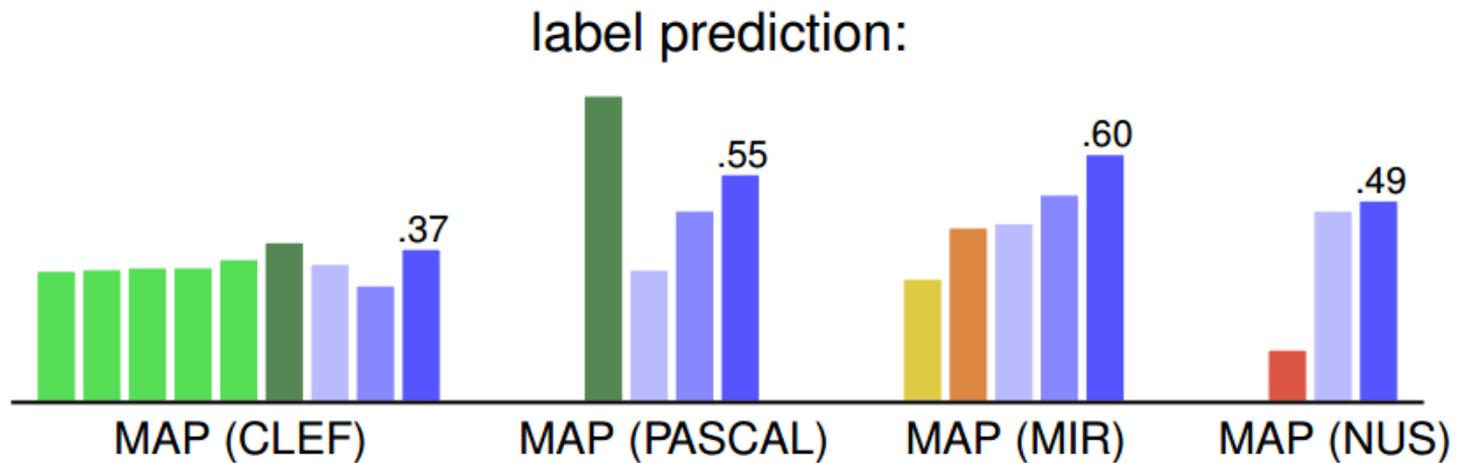
4. **Learning**: choose parameters that minimize training error



$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\Theta} \left[\underbrace{\Delta(\bar{Y}(\mathcal{X}; \Theta), Y_c)}_{\text{empirical risk}} + \underbrace{\frac{\lambda}{2} \|\Theta\|^2}_{\text{regularizer}} \right]$$

We learn parameters through
structured prediction
(Tsochantaridis et al. 2005)

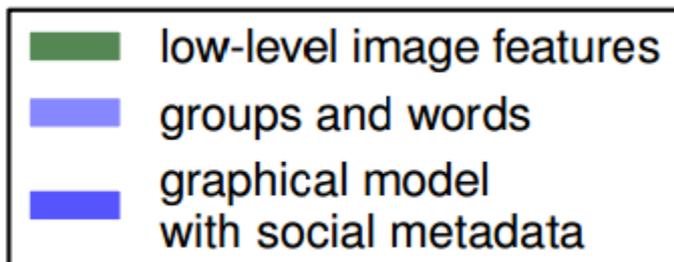
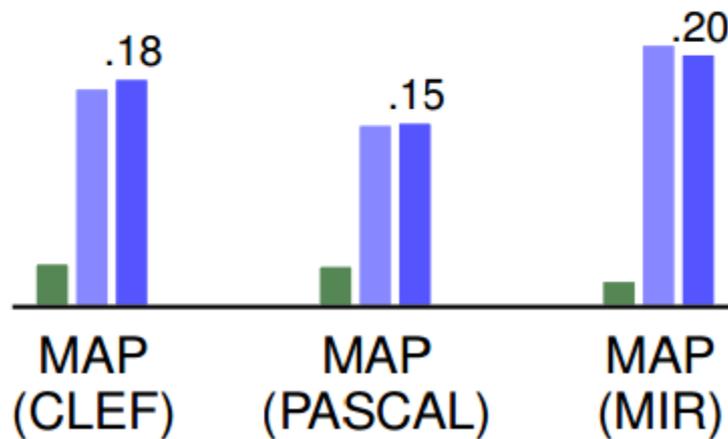
Performance: image classification



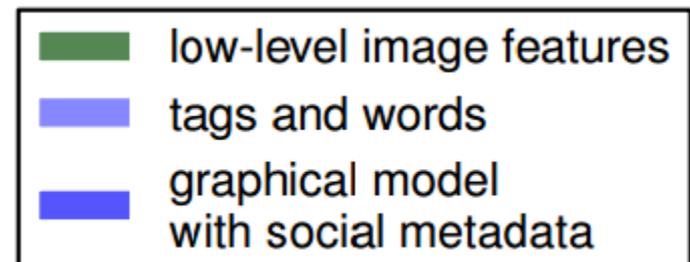
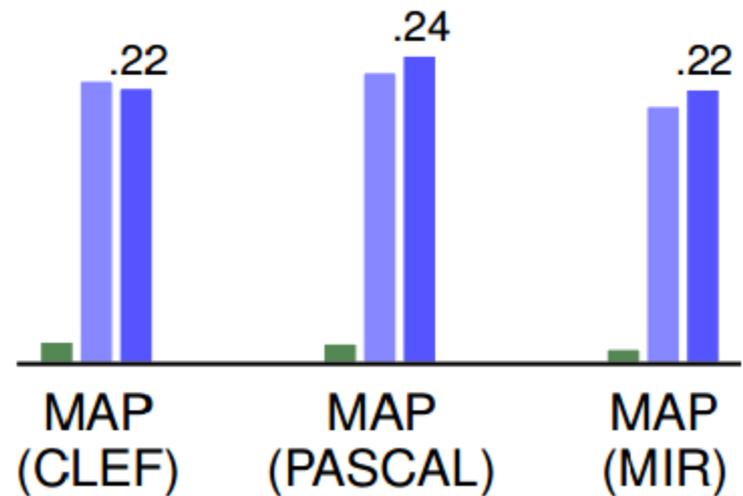
- best text-only methods (CLEF, from [4])
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- low-level features, SVM (MIR, from [3])
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- low-level image features
- tag-only 'flat' model
- all-features flat model
- graphical model with social metadata

Performance: tag and group prediction

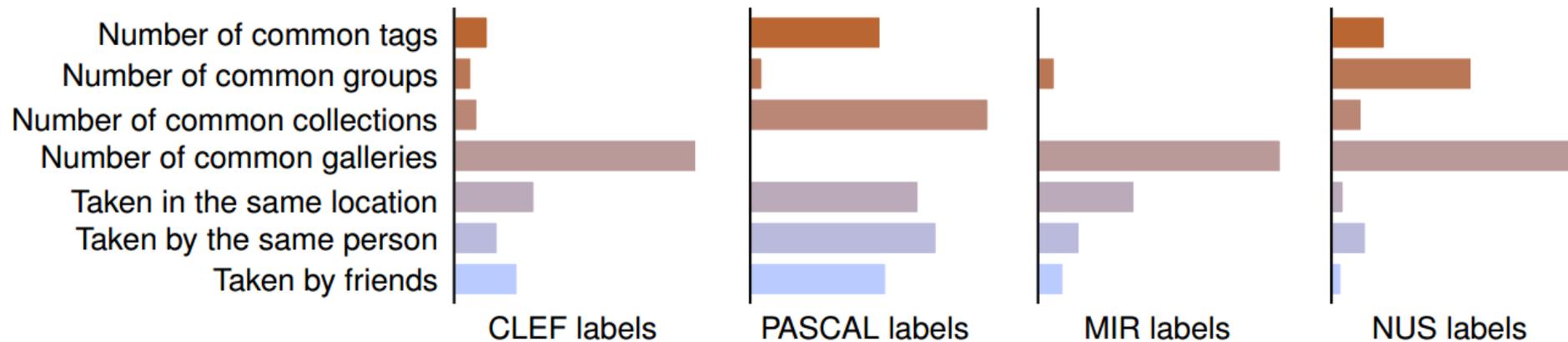
tag recommendation:



group recommendation:



Which features are predictive?



- Which features are informative depends on the dataset
- **Galleries** tend to be the most predictive, as they tend to be organized around a common concept
- The **identity of the user** and their **location** are somewhat important on most datasets

Questions?