

# Browsing Visual Sentiment Datasets using Psycholinguistic Groundings

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## Motivation

- Sentiment classification is a popular task in SNS
  - Various applications can benefit from a better multi-modal sentiment understanding
  - Sentiment datasets provide images and metadata for Adjective-Noun Pairs (ANPs)

Per image sentiment annotations are labor intensive

- Can a textual psycholinguistic analysis help understanding per-image sentiments better?



## Datasets

- Images: Multilingual Visual Sentiment Ontology<sup>[1]</sup>

- 7.36M images annotated with:
  - ANP and textual metadata (title, description, tags)
  - Per-ANP sentiment ratings

Problem: Sentiment ratings are shared across images for the same ANP

- Psycholinguistic measures: Glasgow Norms<sup>[2]</sup>

- 9 ratings each for 5,500 words:
  - Arousal, Dominance, Valence, Imageability, Concreteness, Familiarity, Gender, Age of Acquisition, Semantic Size

Can we connect both for sentiment understanding?

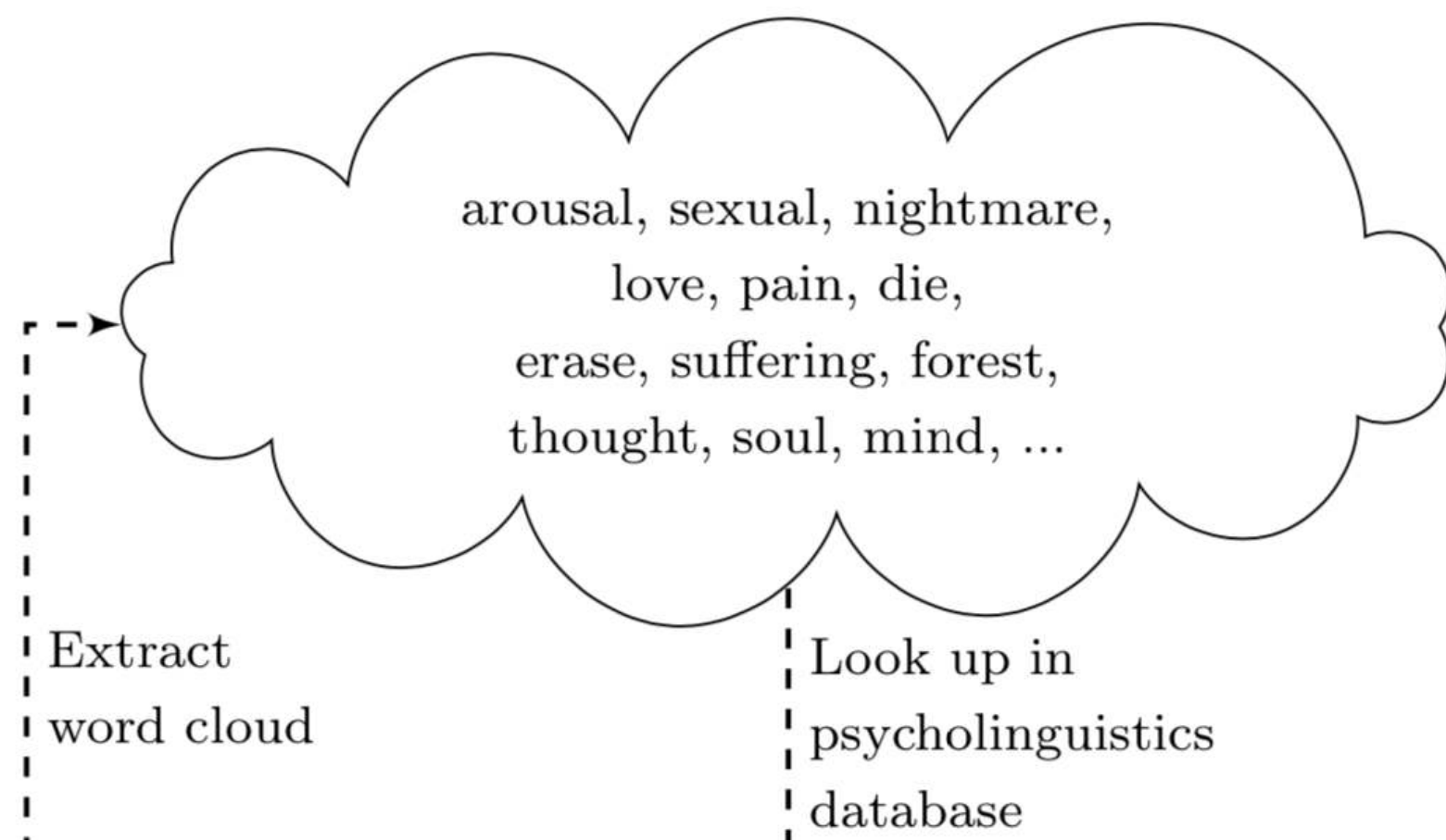
## Psycholinguistic grounding

- Compute per-image psycholinguistic ratings

1. Create word-cloud using textual metadata of an image
2. Look up psycholinguistic ratings from Glasgow Norms<sup>[2]</sup>
3. Calculate average score using top/bottom 5 words for each rating



Title: WALK OF SHAME  
ANP: sexual abuse  
Tags: abuse, uncle, damage, tears, morning, ...  
Description:  
... A mind too young to know what's wrong ...  
... The pain and suffering he once felt ...  
... Recalling nightmares from his sleep ...



Word	Arousal	Valence	Concreteness	...
abuse	48	7	40	...
sexual	84	78	42	...
nightmare	59	10	36	...
...	...	...	...	...
average	59	51	57	...

## Visualization tool

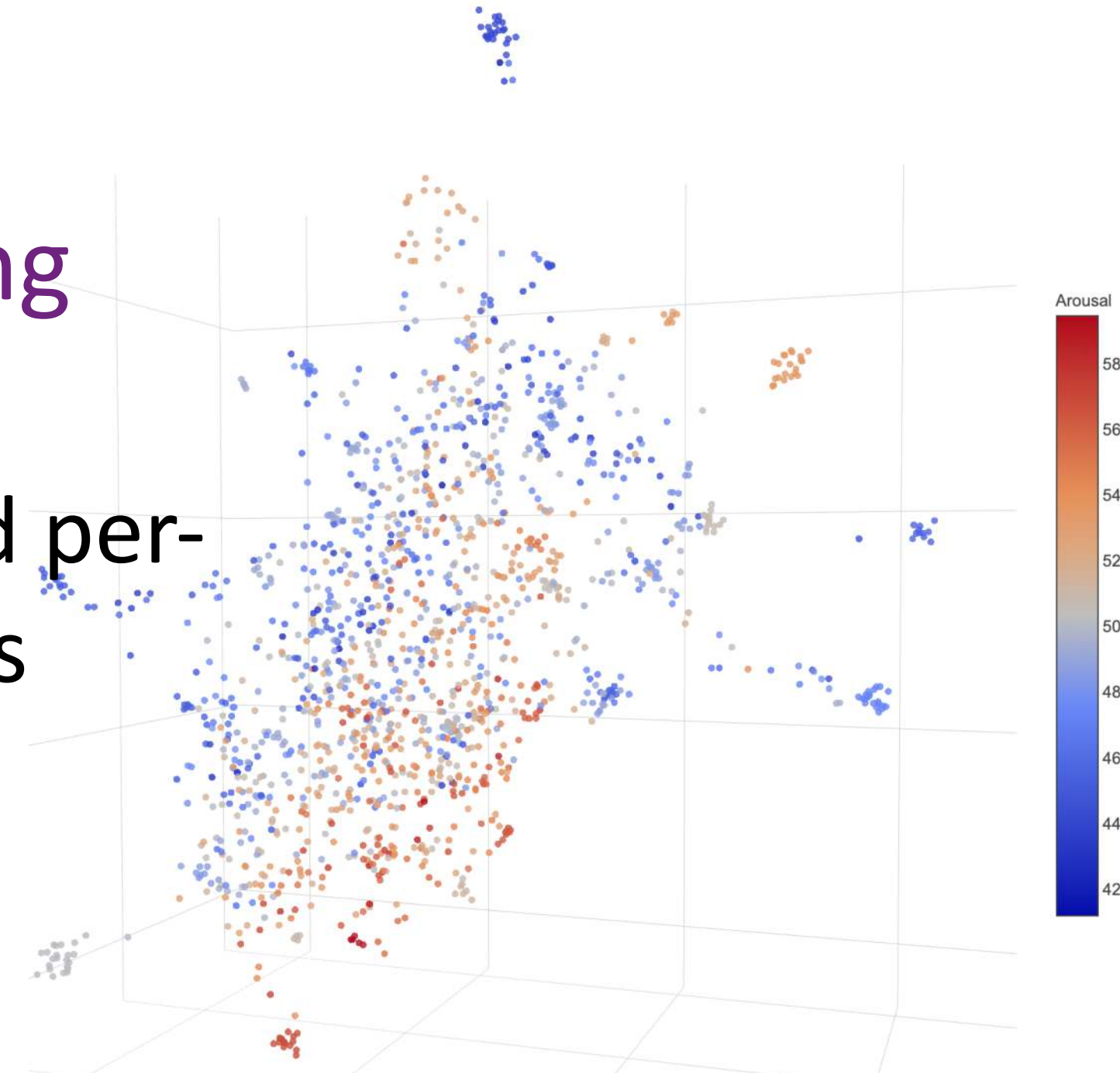
- Compute spatial embedding using UMAP<sup>[3]</sup>

- Using per-ANP sentiment and per-image psycholinguistic ratings

- Visualize the embedding using Plot.ly Dash<sup>[4]</sup>

- Allows for interactive analysis
- Heat-map grading highlights psycholinguistic ratings

Filtering function allows comparing different nouns with same adjective, and vice-versa

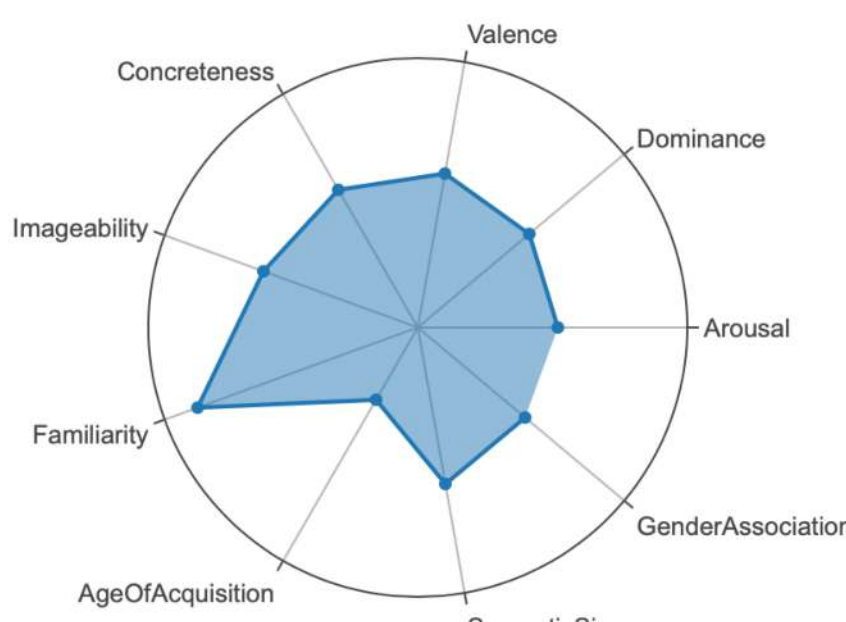


- Detailed view provides information per-image

- Psycholinguistic grounding as radar graph
- Meta-data including ANP, word-cloud and sentiment annotations



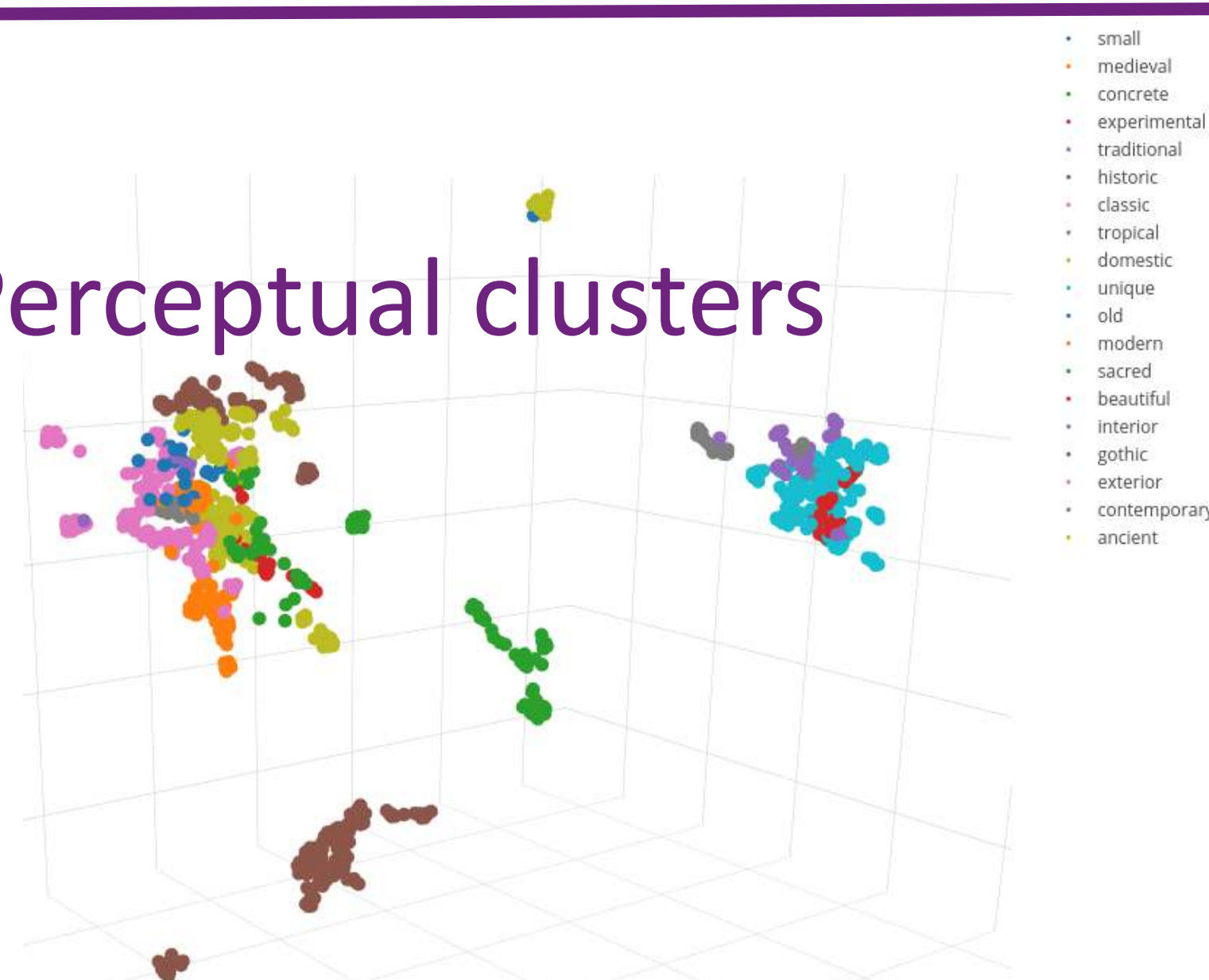
Word cloud: ['other', 'expression', 'image', 'special', 'rock', 'love', 'week', 'wild', 'have', 'up', 'dog', 'take', 'reasons', 'images', 'same', 'times', 'camera', 'last', 'shot', 'boy', 'moment', 'shots']



## Discussion

- Research direction 1: Perceptual clusters

- Use clustering on spatial embedding
- Find perceptually related images



Filtering per noun shows overlapping adjectives, suggesting similarly perceived images

- Research direction 2: Visual characteristics

- Compare visual characteristics of related images

How do e.g. *lowly imageable* images look different from *highly imageable* ones?

Designed to analyze the relationship between textual and visual sentiments across concepts

## Next steps for demo

- More sophisticated approach for per-image ratings

- Use whole psycholinguistic vectors instead of average
- Include visual characteristics

- Extend browser for multiple languages

- MVSO<sup>[1]</sup> is available for other languages, but Glasgow Norms<sup>[2]</sup> only contains English words
- Cross-language comparison can find cultural differences

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