

MPEG-7 : Multimedia content description

Visual content

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Introduction

First release 2002 (ISO)

Audiovisual content description

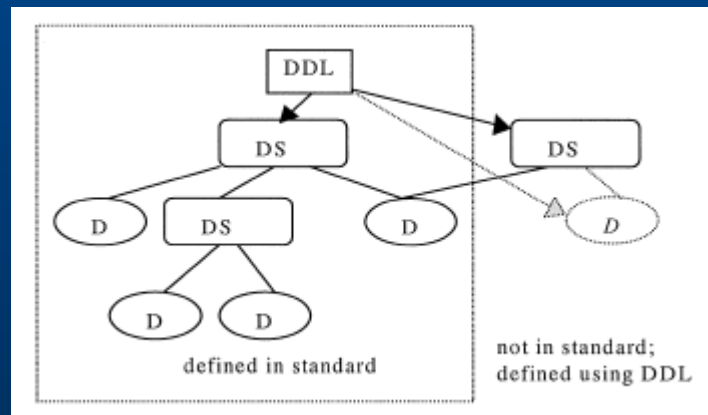
Content-based multimedia retrieval

- **images**
- **video**
- **2D graphics**
- **3D models**
- **audio**
- **speech**

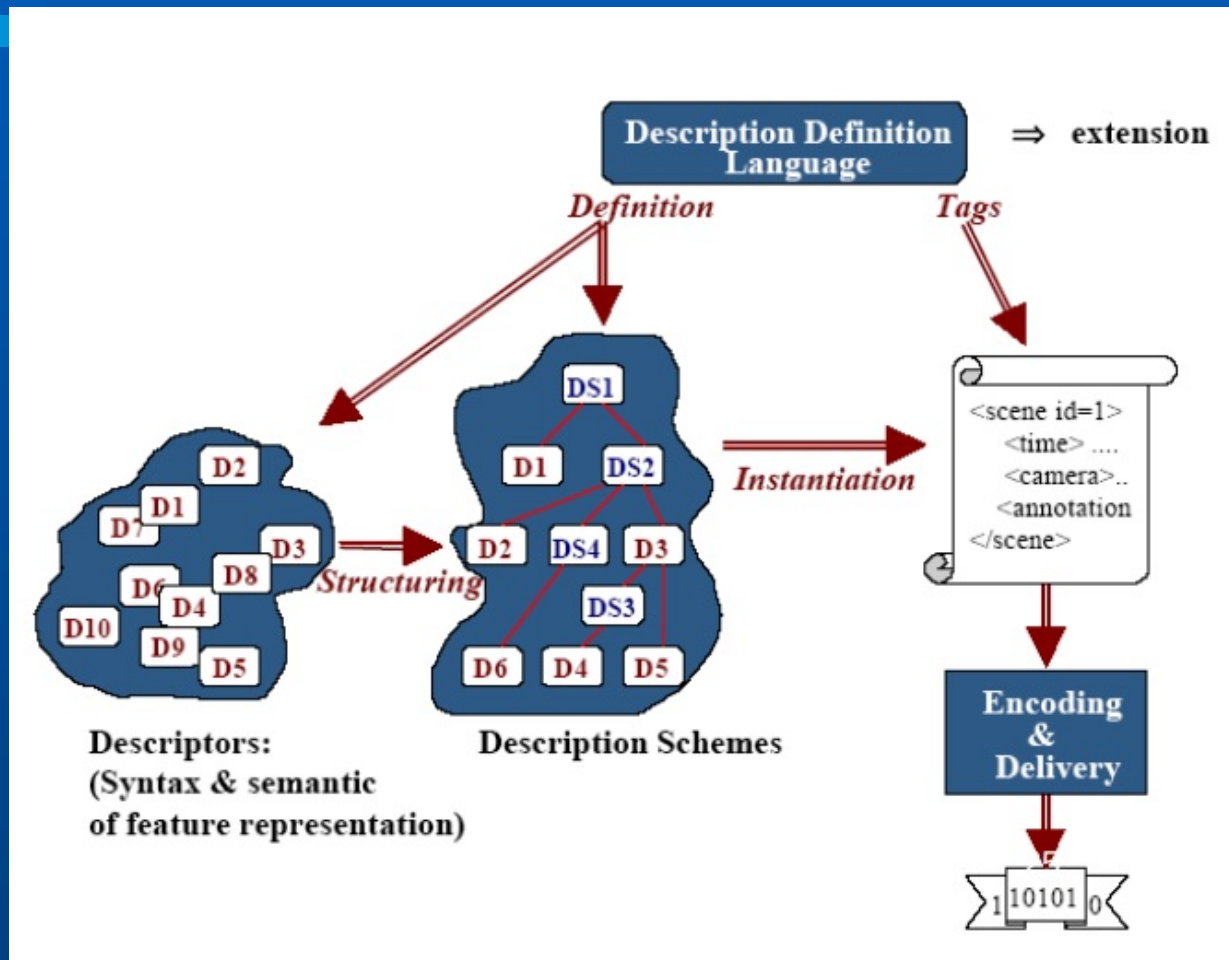
XML representation or binary coding

Definitions

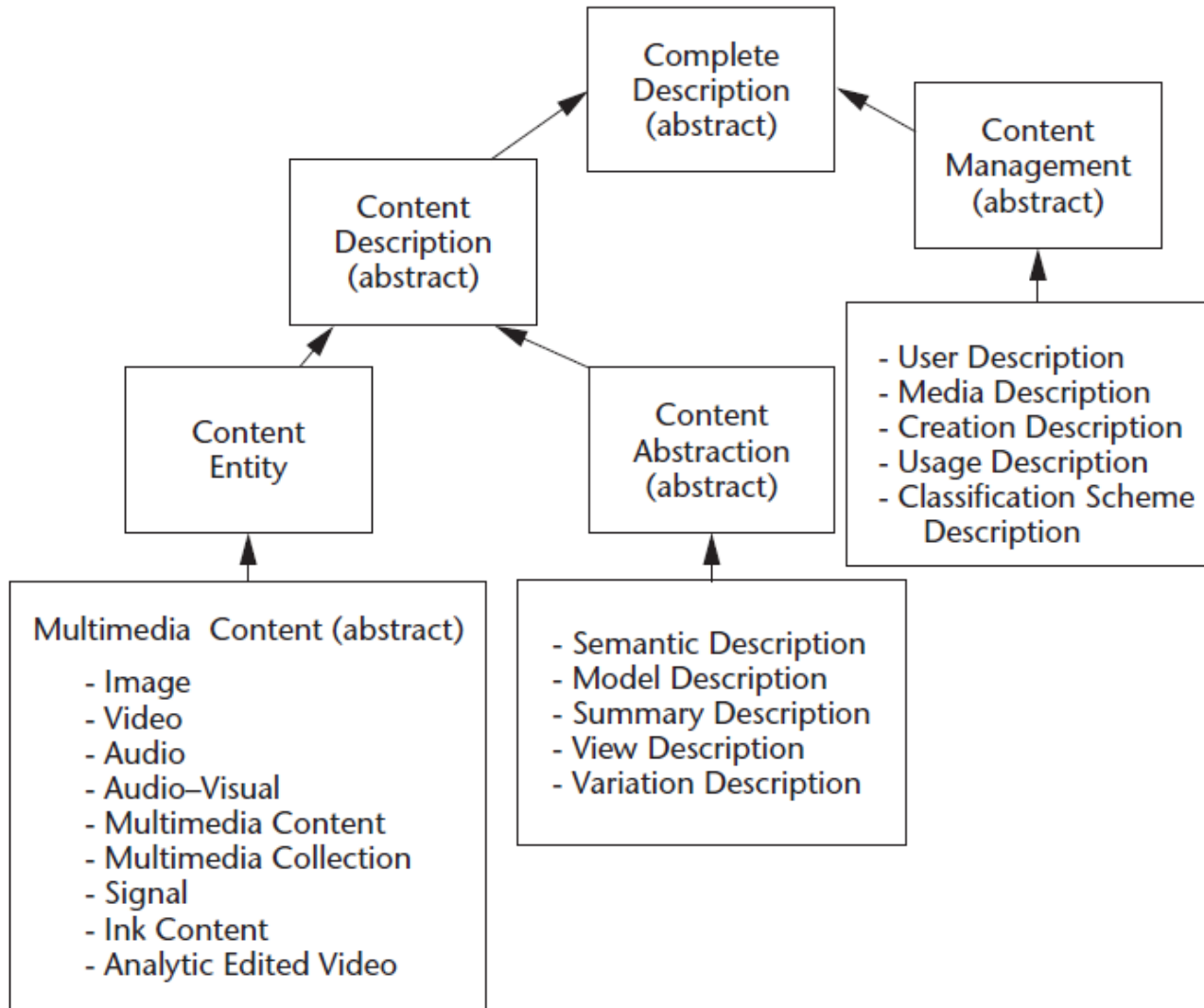
- **Data** (image, audio, ...)
- **Feature** (color, timbre, motion, ...)
- **Descriptor** (color histogram, ...)
- **Descriptor value** (instantiation)
- **Description scheme** (structure and semantics)
- **Description** : (scheme and values)
- **Coded description**
- **Description Definition Language**



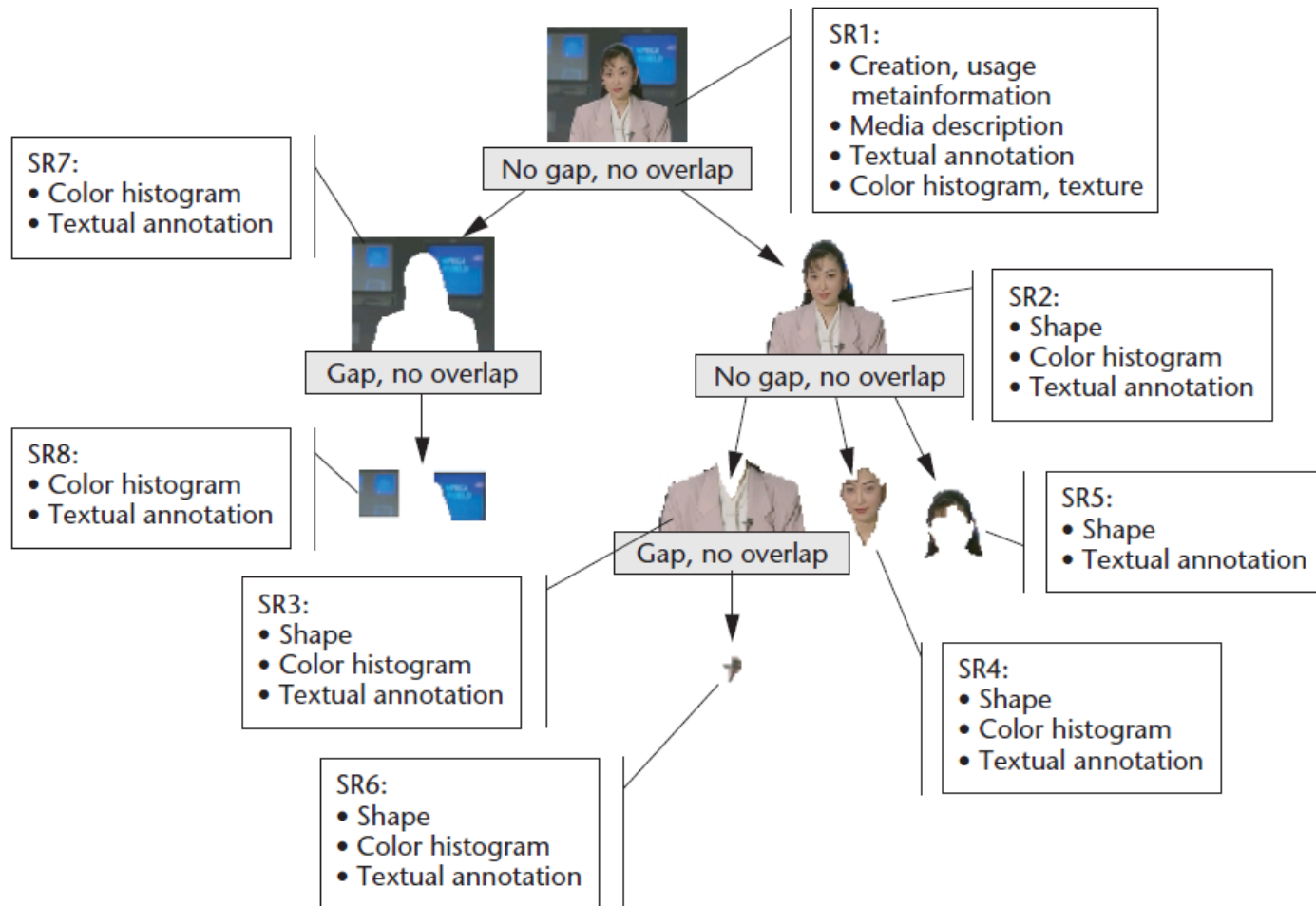
Main components of the MPEG-7 Standard



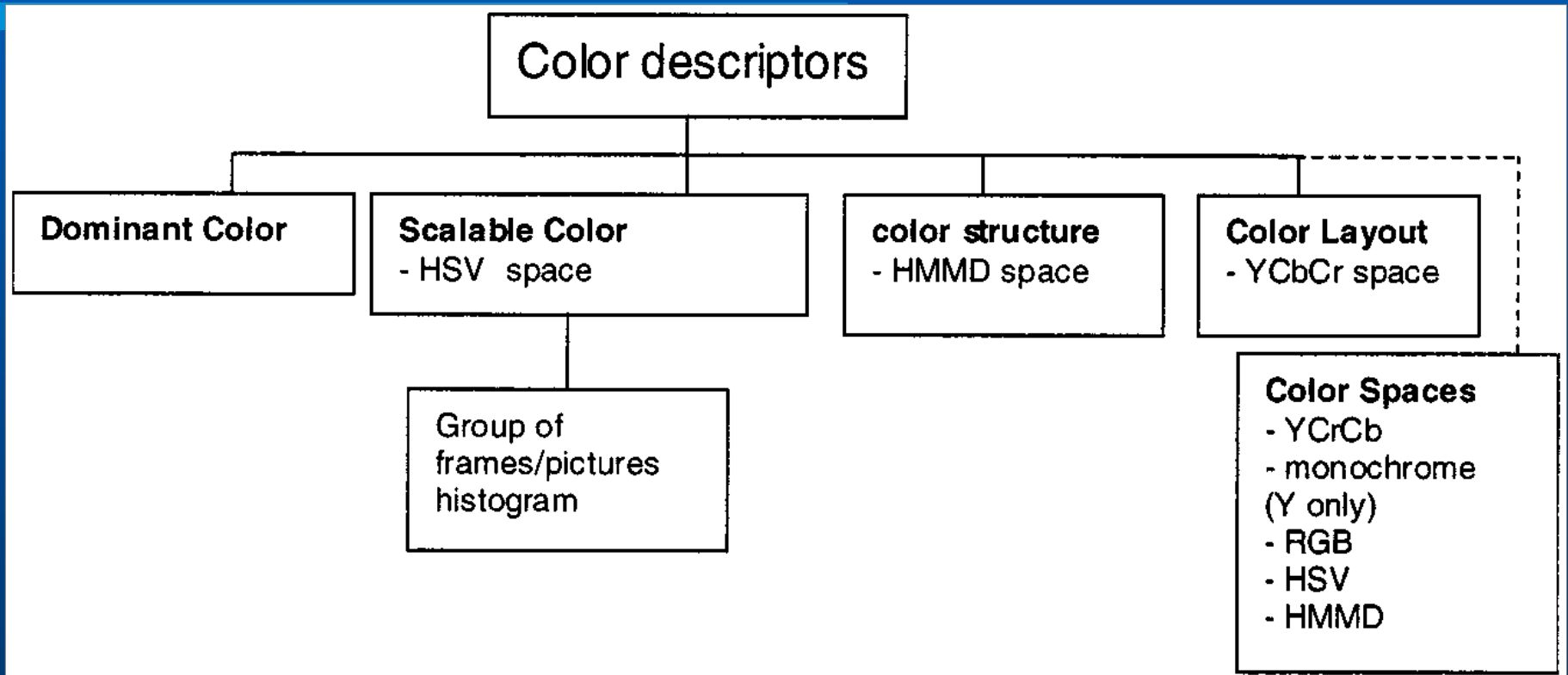
Complete description



Description example

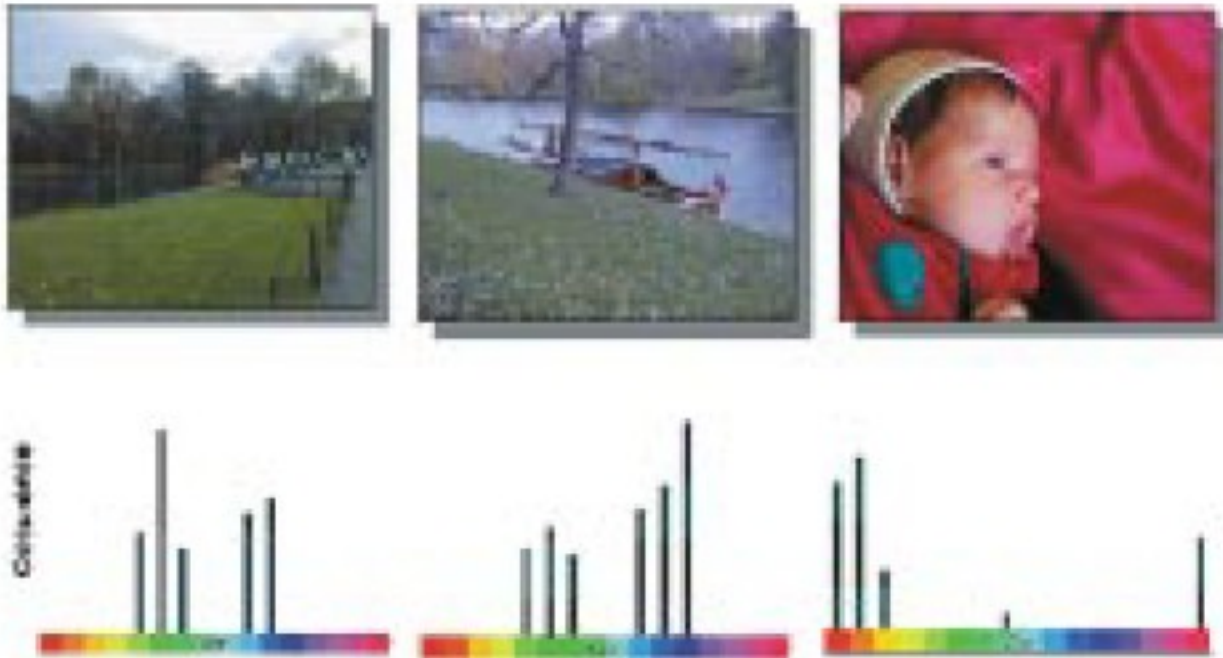


Color descriptors



Manjunah et al., *Color and texture descriptors*, IEEE Trans. on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology, June 2001

Color similarity

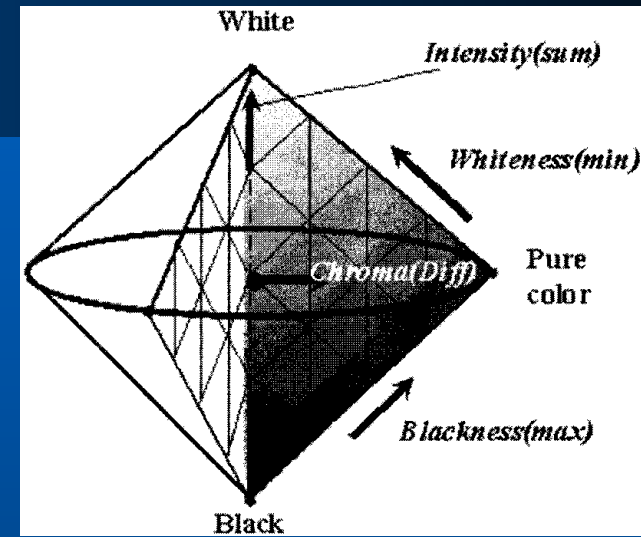


Color systems

RGB, YCbCr, Y (monochrome-intensity only)

HMMD

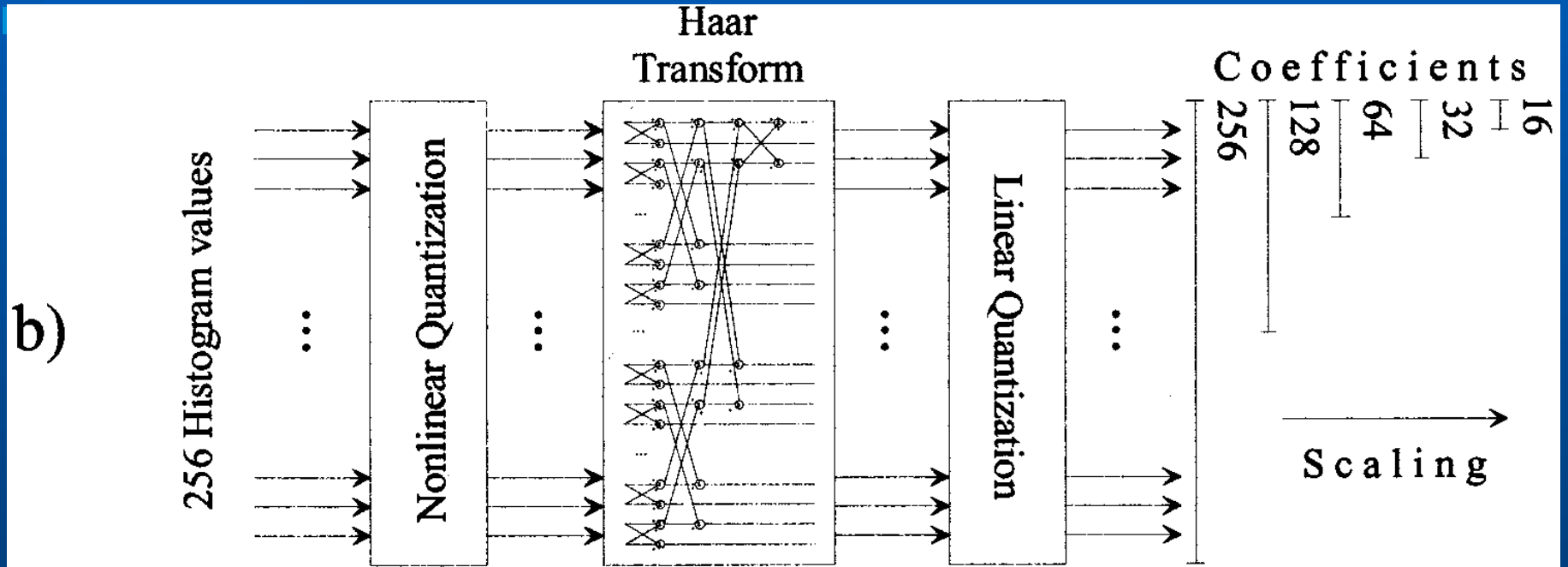
Diff=Max-Min
Sum=(max+min)/2
Hue as defined for the HSV.



HSV

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Max = max(R, G, B); Min = min( R, G, B);  
Value = max(R, G, B);  
if( Max == 0 ) then  
    Saturation = 0; else  
    Saturation = (Max-Min)/Max;  
if( Max == Min ) Hue is undefined (achromatic color);  
otherwise:  
if( Max == R && G > B ) Hue = 60*(G-B)/(Max-Min)  
else if( Max == R && G < B ) Hue = 360 + 60*(G-B)/(Max-Min)  
else if( G == Max ) Hue = 60*(2.0 + (B-R)/(Max-Min))  
else Hue = 60*(4.0 + (R-G)/(Max-Min))
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Color histogram



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Color histogram HSV : 4+2+2 (11 bits/bin)

Color histogram Haar transform

Extension to group of images

Dominant colors

$$F = \{\{c_i, p_i, v_i\}, s\}, i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

k-means algorithm

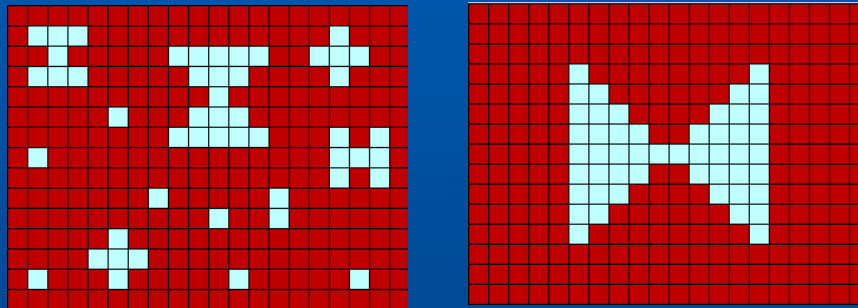
p_i : 5 bits (percentage)

v_i : 3 bits (variance)

Spatial coherency (s) :

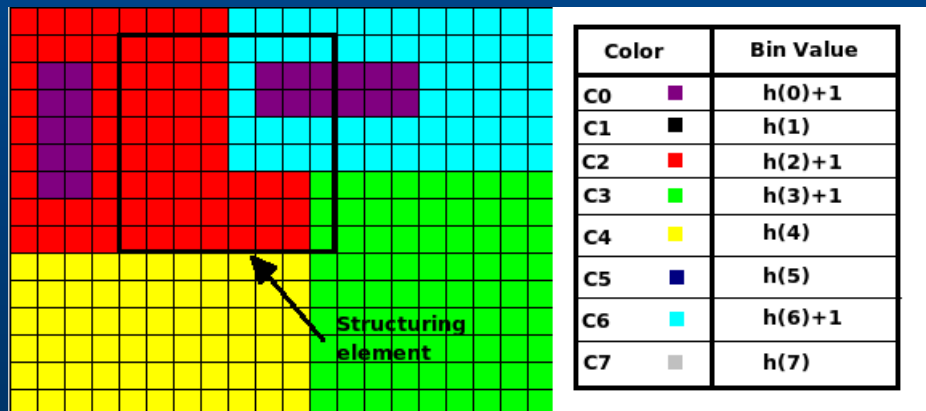
average number of connecting pixels 3 x 3 (5 bits)

Color structure



Block 8 x 8

Local color histogram distribution HMMD



Color layout

Color system **YCbCr**

Any shape region

8 x 8 block after partition

Representative color for each block : average color

Discrete Cosine Transform

Zig-zag scanning

12 coefficients (**6+3+3**)

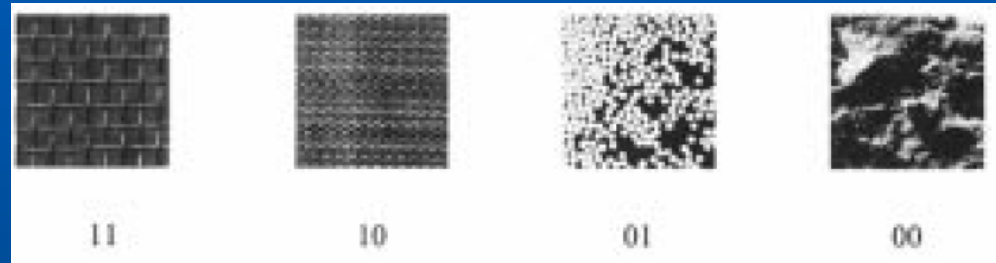
Texture description

Texture browsing descriptor

Regularity (2 bits)

Directionality (2x3 bits)

Coarseness (2x2 bits)



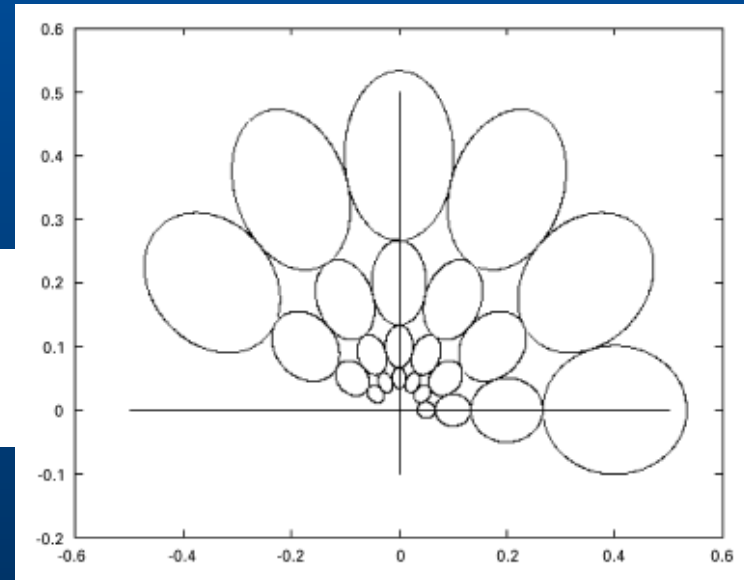
Homogeneous texture

Bank of orientation and scale sensitive filters

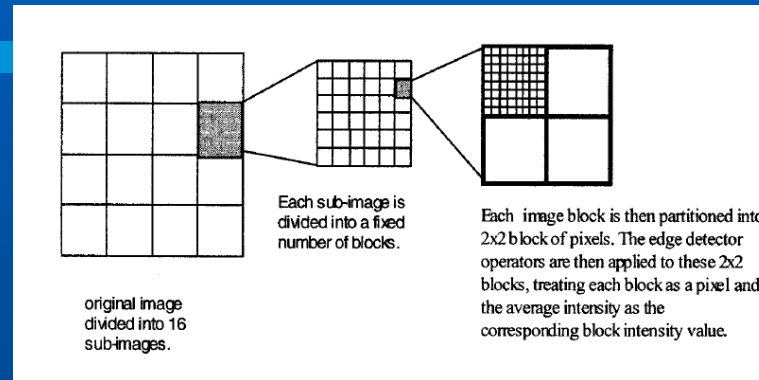
Gabor filters : 5 scales and 6 directions

$$G_{P_{s,r}}(W, q) = \exp\left[\frac{-(W - W_s)^2}{2S_{r_s}^2}\right] \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-(q - q_r)^2}{2S_{q_r}^2}\right]$$

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Texture (edge) description



Edge histogram description

Edges are broadly grouped into five categories: vertical, horizontal, 45 diagonal, 135 diagonal, and isotropic

1	-1
1	-1

(a)

1	1
-1	-1

(b)

$\sqrt{2}$	0
0	$-\sqrt{2}$

(c)

0	$\sqrt{2}$
$-\sqrt{2}$	0

(d)

2	-2
-2	2

(e)

Shape descriptors

Bounding box

Region-based descriptor

Angular Radial Transformation

Contour-based descriptor

Curvature scale-space

Curvature zero-crossings

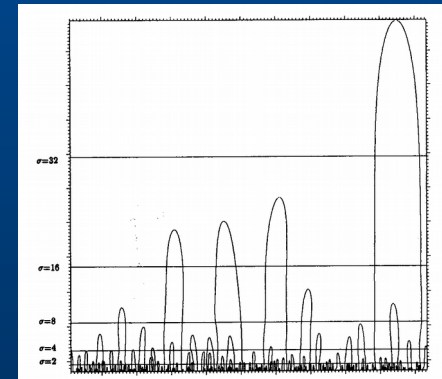
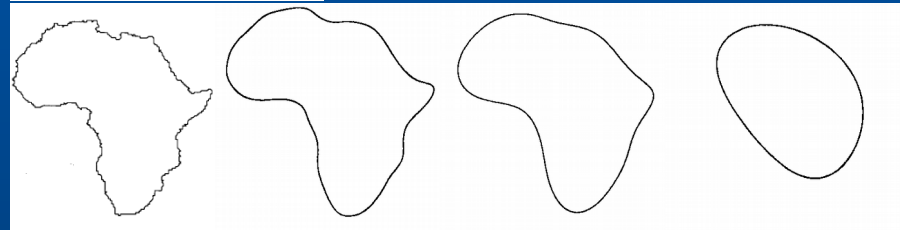
Prominent peaks of curvature

3D surface descriptor

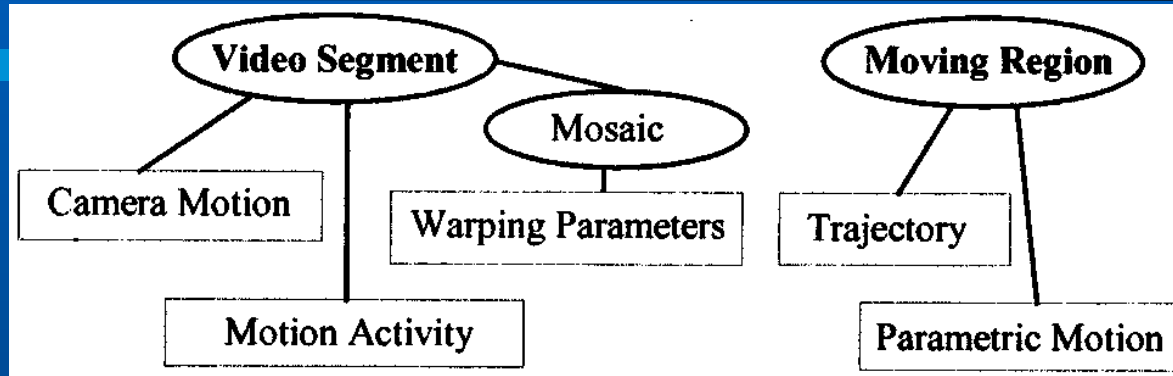
Shape index from principal curvatures

Shape index histogram

Planar regions



Motion descriptors / activity

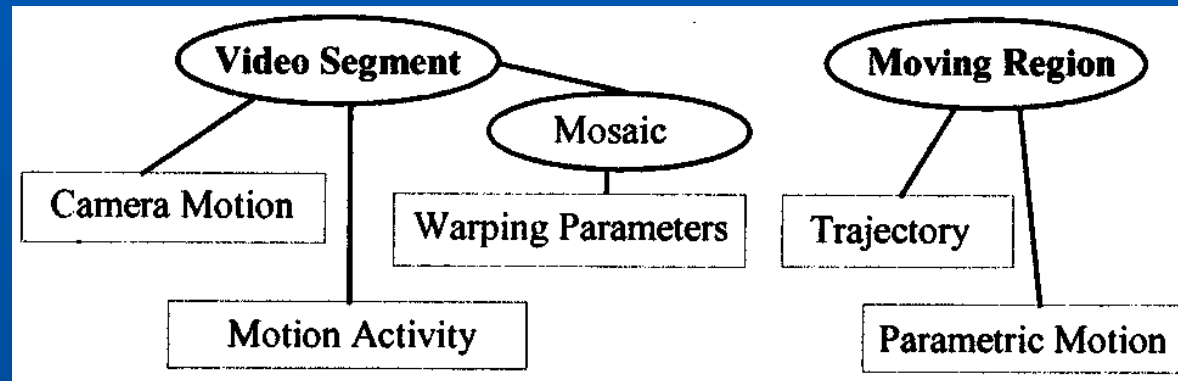


Motion activity

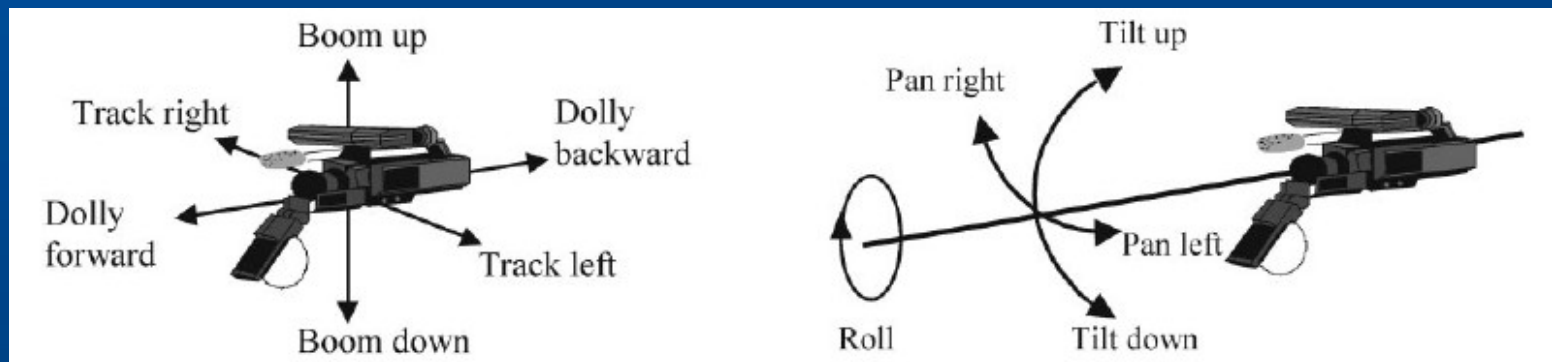
Activity Value	Range of σ (Std. Dev. of motion vector magnitude)
1	$0 \leq \sigma < 3.9$
2	$3.9 \leq \sigma < 10.7$
3	$10.7 \leq \sigma < 17.1$
4	$17.1 \leq \sigma < 32$
5	$32 \leq \sigma$

Intensity of activity
 Direction of activity
 Spatial distribution
 Temporal distribution

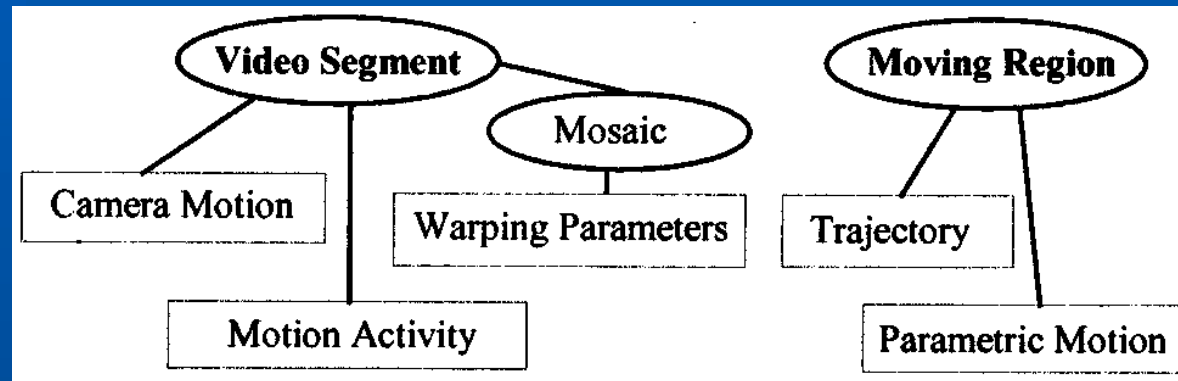
Motion descriptors



Camera motion



Motion descriptors / mosaic

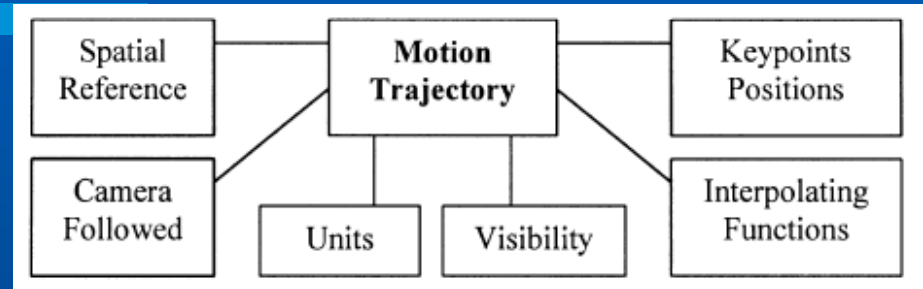


Warping parameters

$$x'_i = \frac{a_0 + a_1x_i + a_2y_i}{a_6x_i + a_7y_i + 1}$$
$$y'_i = \frac{a_3 + a_4x_i + a_5y_i}{a_6x_i + a_7y_i + 1}$$

Object motion descriptors

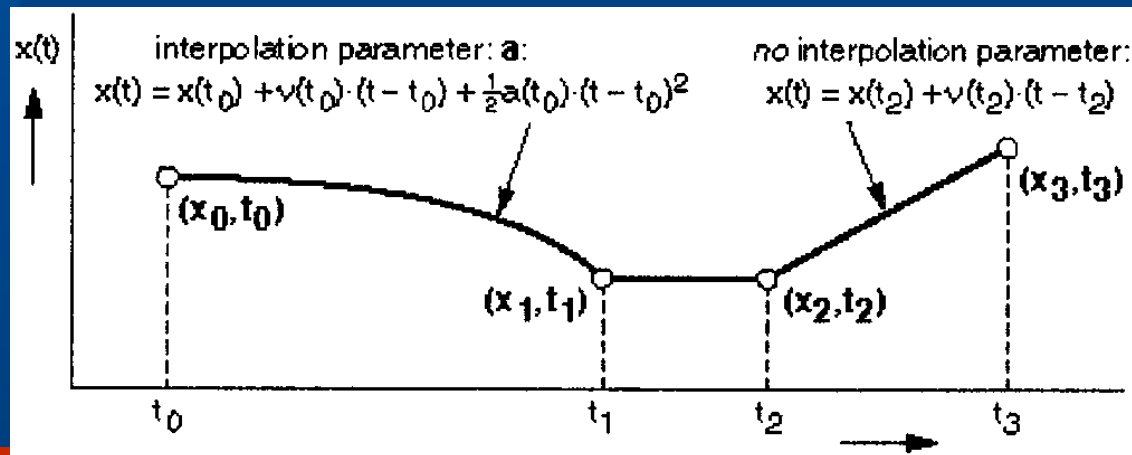
Motion trajectory



Motion trajectory describes the displacements of objects in time, objects being defined as spatio-temporal regions whose trajectories are important for the given application.

The trajectory model is a first- or second-order piecewise approximation along time.

The core of the description is a set of *keypoints*.



Summary

- MPEG-7 sets a standard for describing multimedia content, in such a way that it can be managed, searched, filtered and identified in a quick and efficient way.
- It does not address one application area in particular, but rather supports a wide range of applications.
- There can be several descriptions for a single piece of multimedia content, all valid for a particular application or user.
- To allow the necessary interworking in combination with the freedom of building competitive products, MPEG-7 only specifies the description tools themselves.
- MPEG-7 descriptors are extracted from images or video sequences using suitable extraction methods and can be stored or transmitted entirely separate from the media content. The descriptors allow users or agents (or search engines) to evaluate similarity in images or video based on color, texture, object shape, global motion, or object motion features.