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Digital Asset Management
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6. Introduction to digital media retrieval

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Main methods of digital media retrieval

- **Text-based** digital media retrieval

- **Content-based** digital media retrieval

Content based digital media retrieval

- Query by example on multimedia-data
- Demo:
  - **The GNU Image-Finding Tool**
  - http://www.gnu.org/software/gift/

  - **Flexible Image Retrieval Engine**

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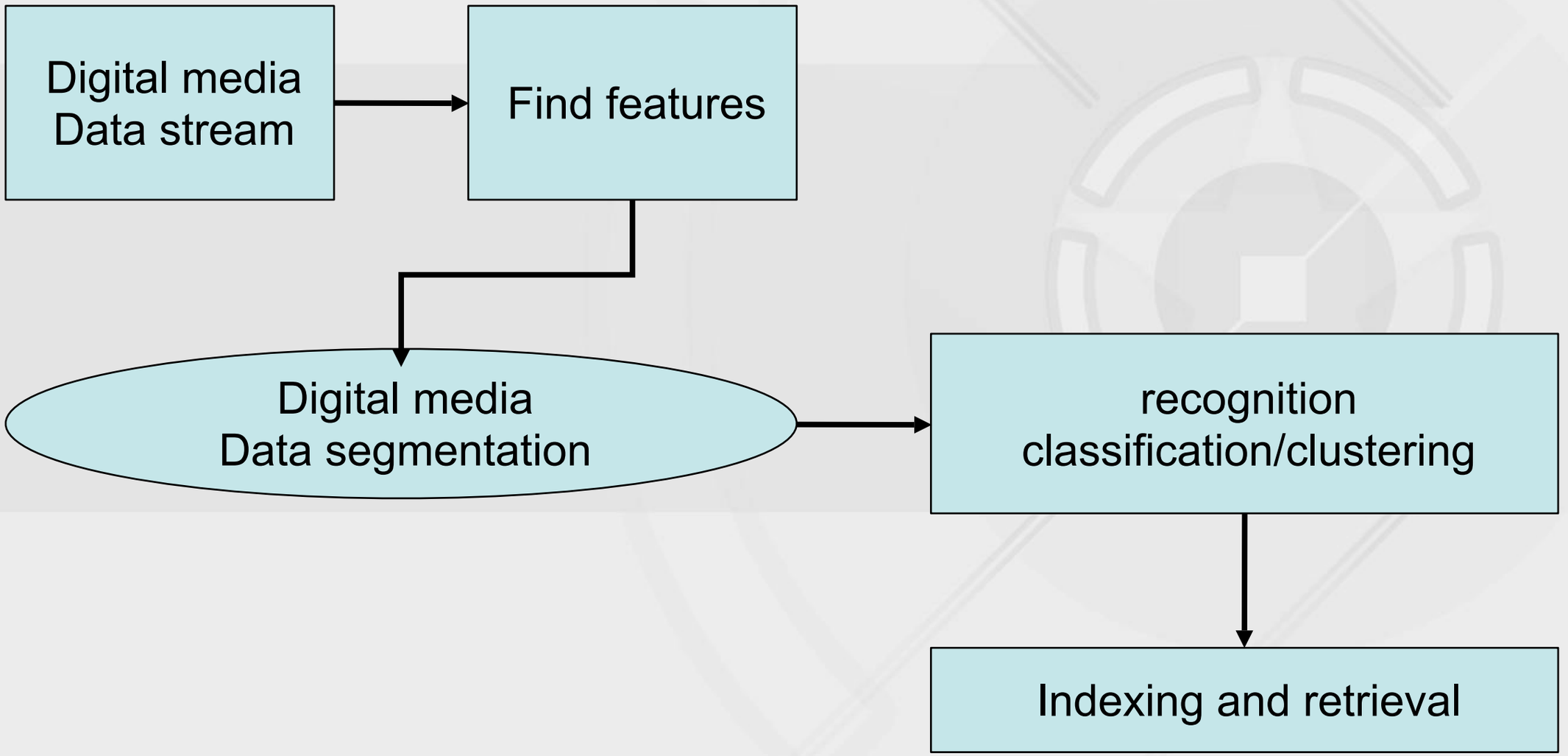
The workflow of digital media analysis and retrieval



Workflow of CBIR

Images

Find features

(x1, x2, ..., xn)

Similarity measurement

recognition
classification/clustering

(x1, x2, ..., xn)

(y1, y2, ..., yn)

Indexing and retrieval

Features of image

- Finding out features of image is a key step of image retrieval
  - Image-based retrieval usually need to pre-construct feature database of images for retrieval

- Major image features:
  - Color features
  - Texture features
  - Shape features
  - Space relation features

Color features of image

- Color feature is a most widely used vision feature. It is mainly used to analyze color distributions in an image, including:
  - Color histogram
  - Color moments
  - Color set
  - Color clustering vectors
  - Color relation graph

Image texture features

- Texture features are such vision features employed to measure homogeneous phenomenon in images. They are
  - independent to color or illuminance,
  - and are intrinsic features of object surfaces.

- Major texture features
  - Tamura texture features
  - Self-regression texture model
  - Transform based texture features
    - DWT，DFT，Garbor filter bank
  - others

Image shape features

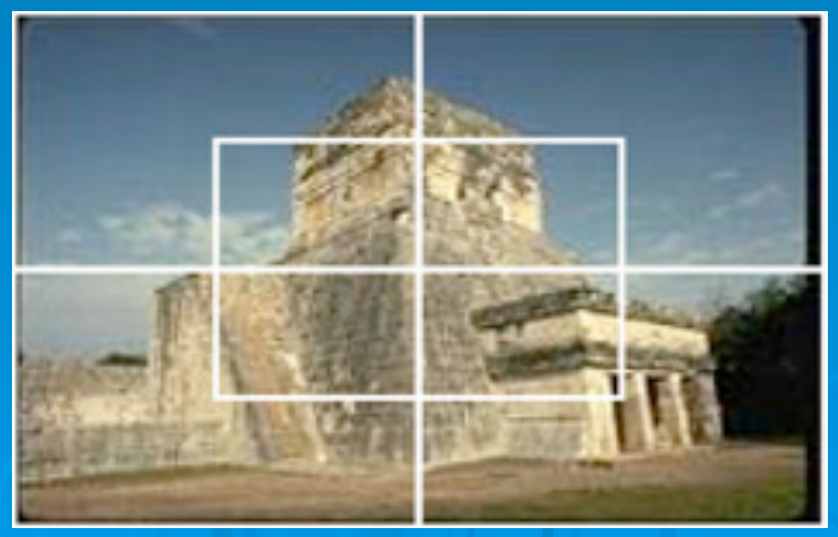
- Shape features are computed out based on object segments or regions, mainly including
  - contour features
  - and regions features.

- Typical approaches include
  - Fourier shape description
  - Moment invariants

Image Retrieval Phase (cont.)

- Query by color anglogram (cont.)
  - Convert RGB to HSV [wikipedia]

  - Global and sub-image histogram forms LSI matrix.



[Zhao & Grosky 2002]

Image A

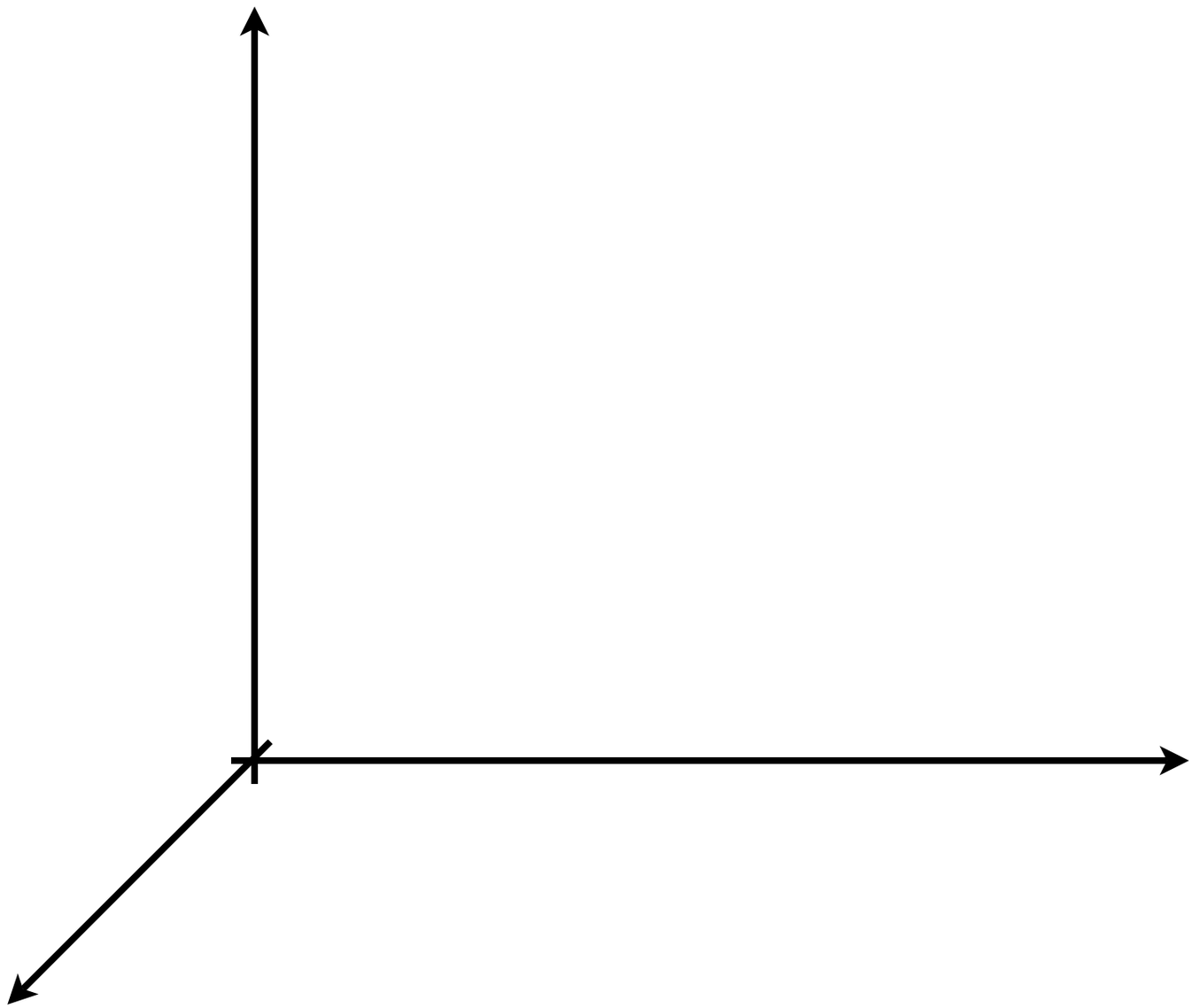
$\longrightarrow \quad (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n)$

Feature extraction

Image B

$\longrightarrow \quad (y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n)$

A geometrical view of CBIR



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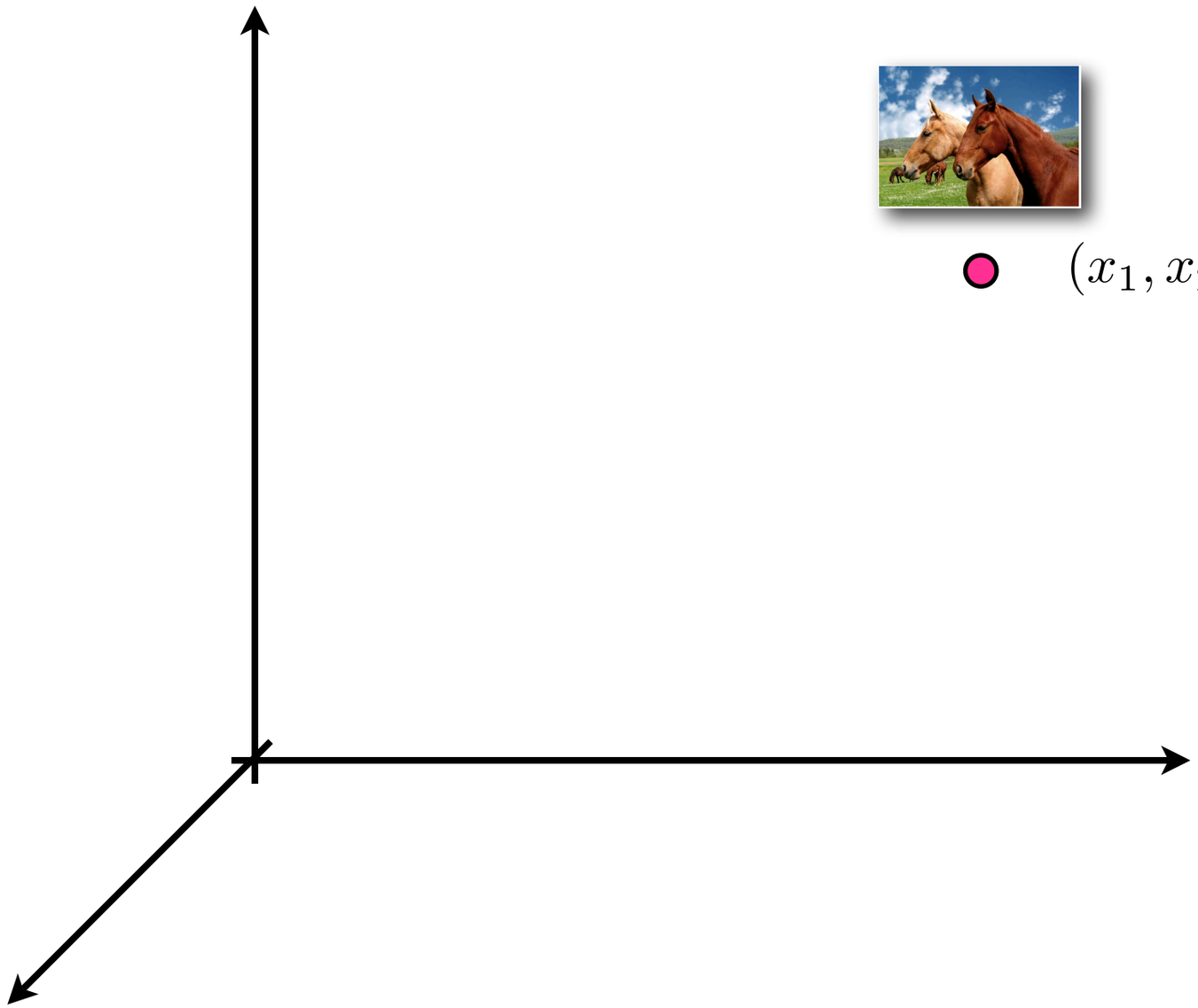

$(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$

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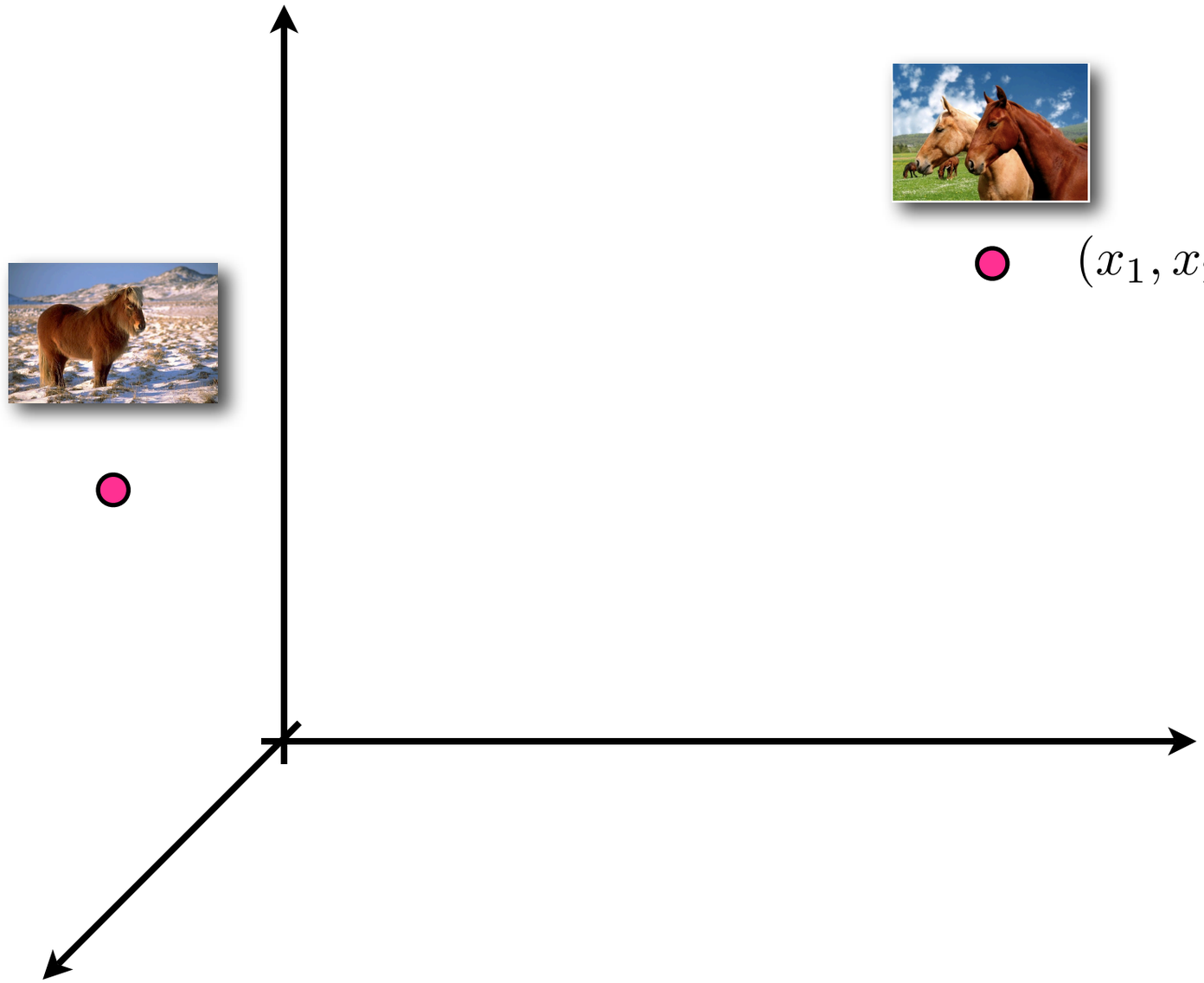

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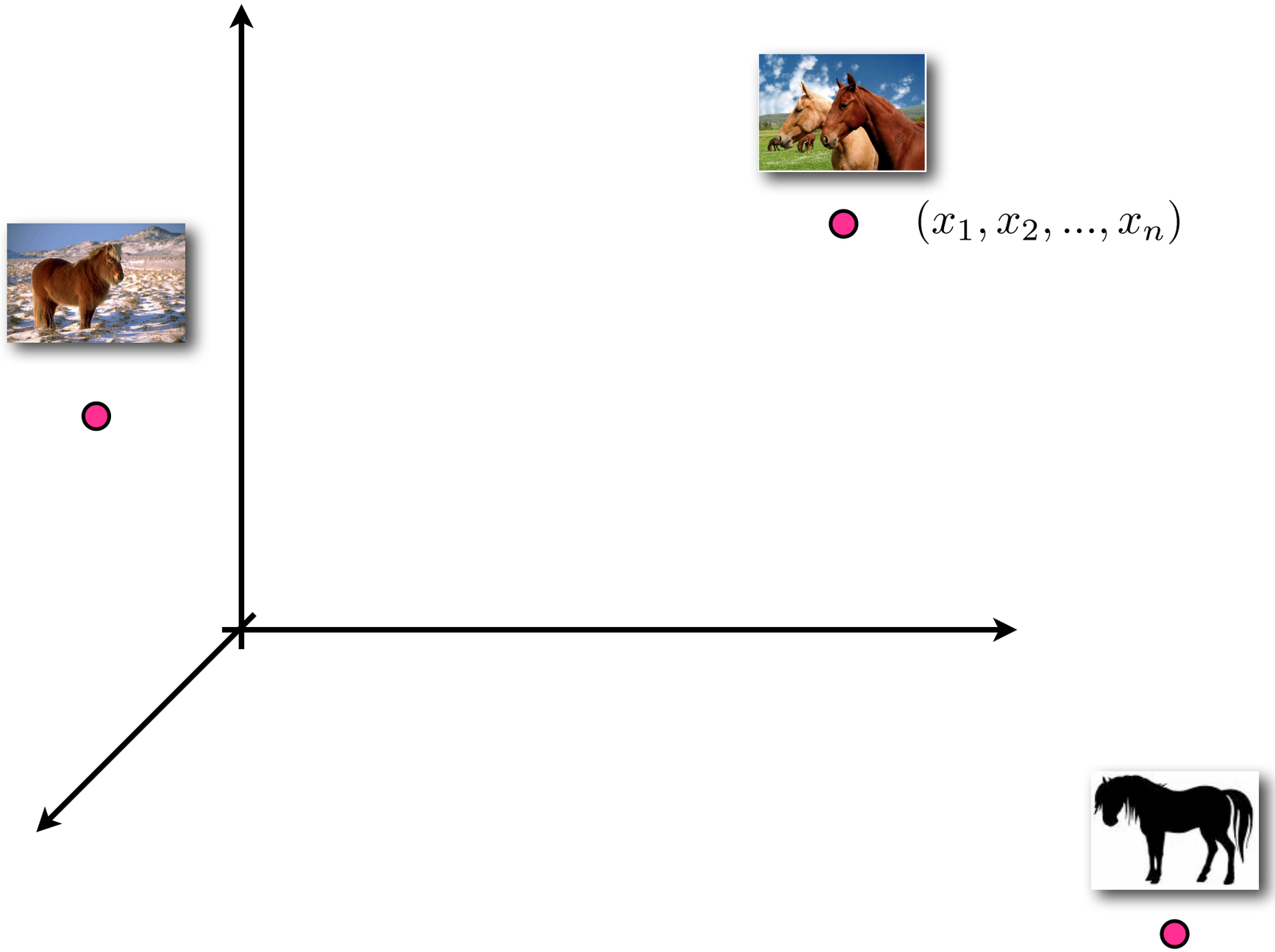

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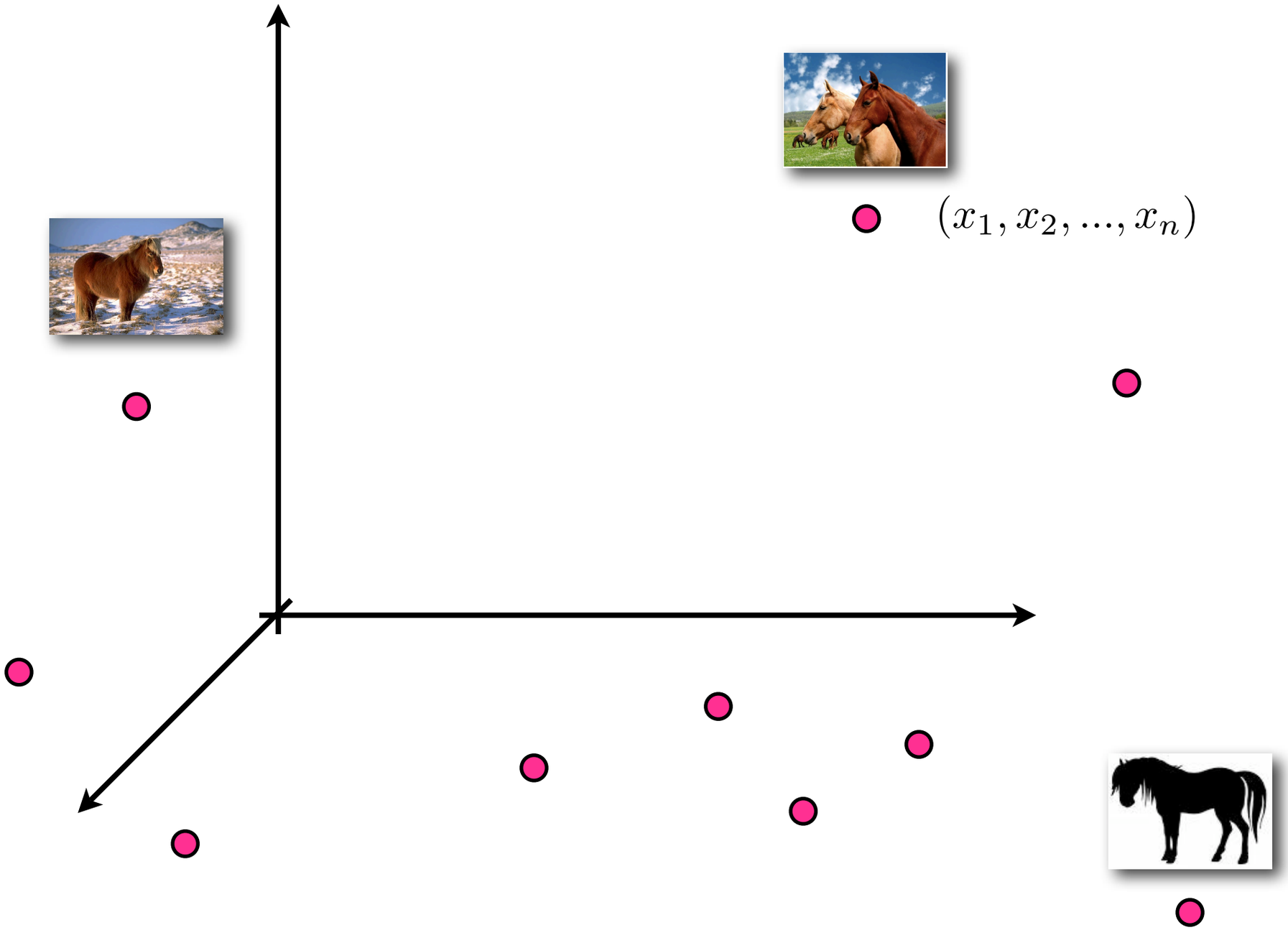

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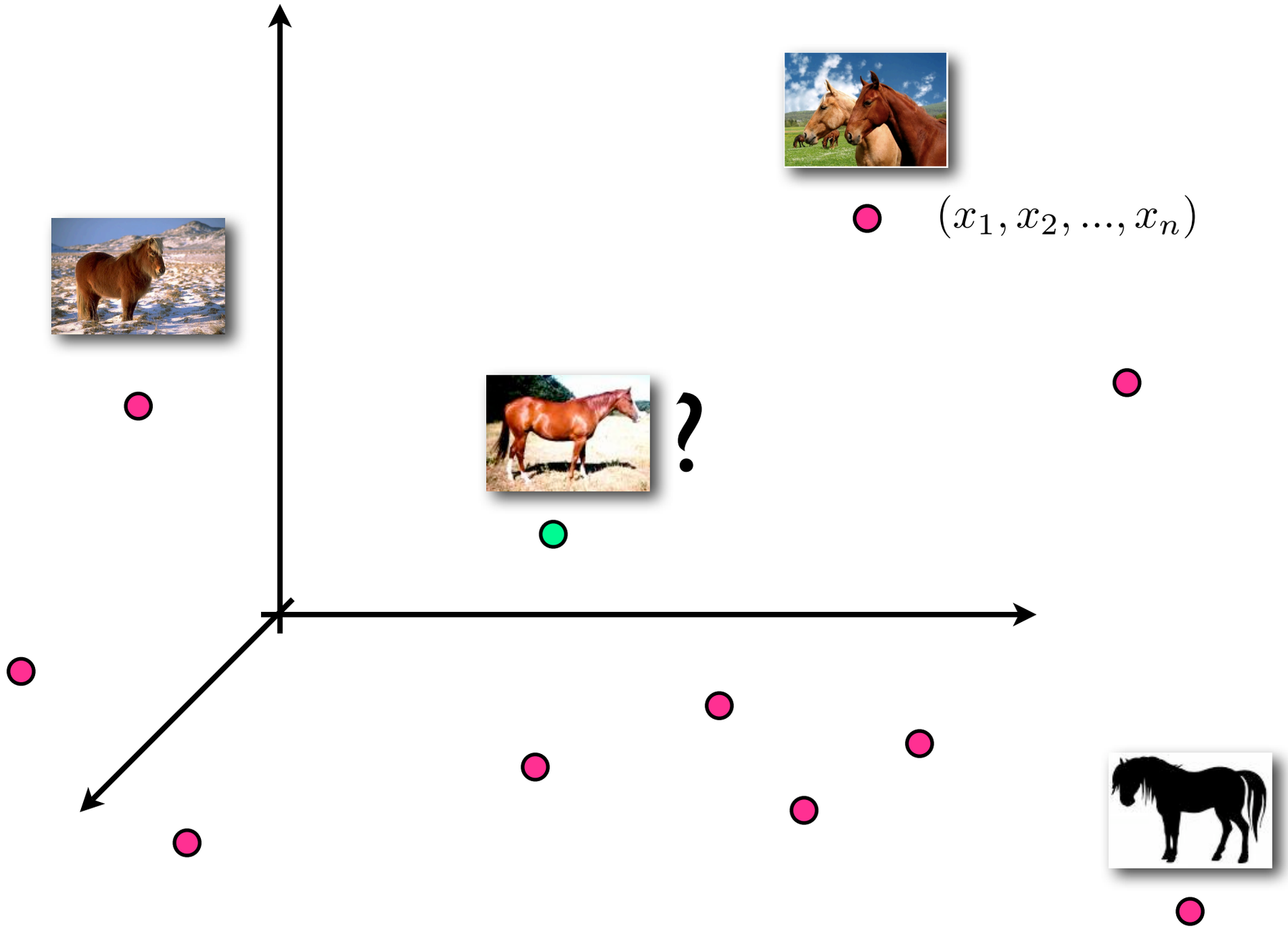

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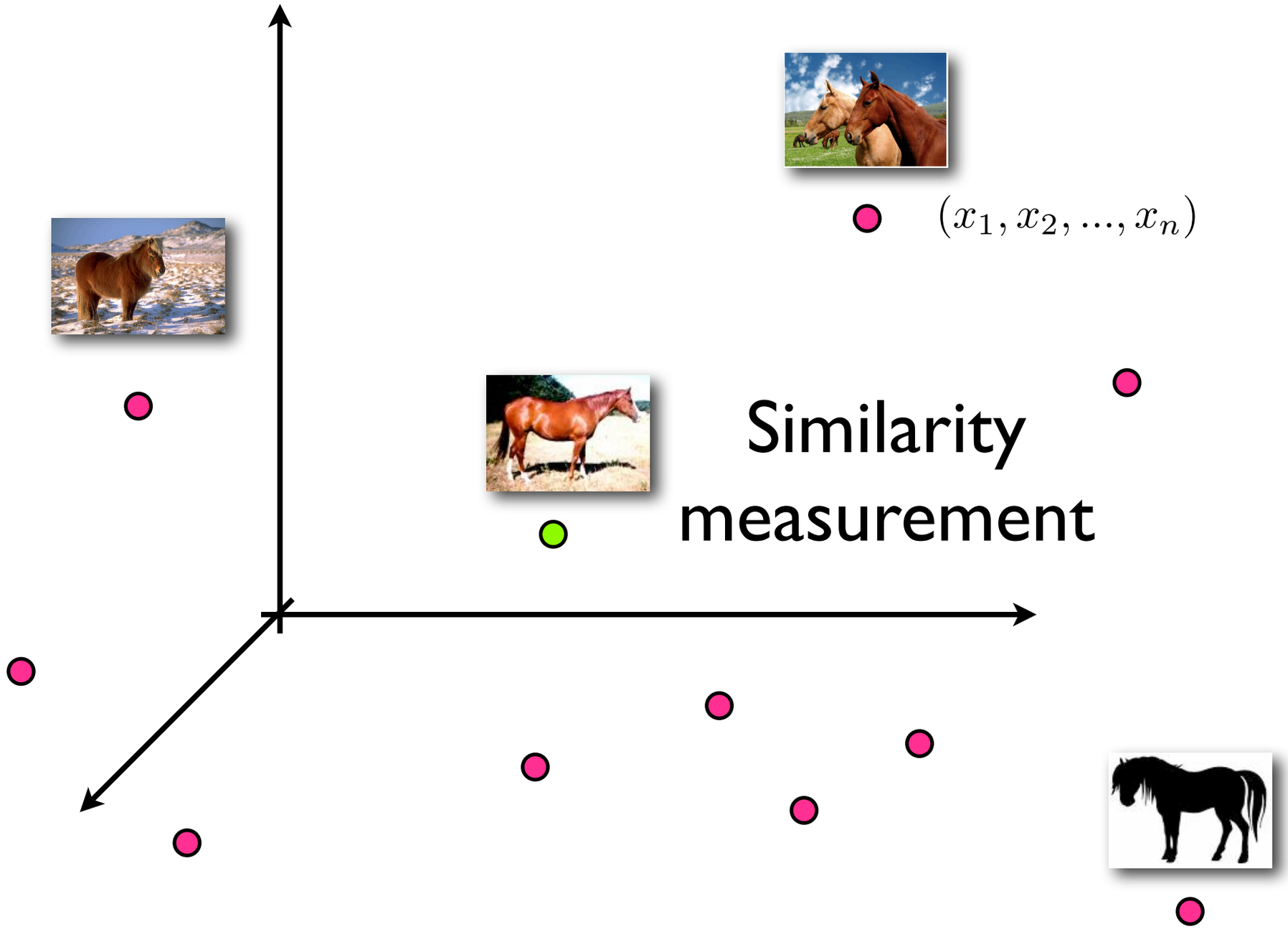

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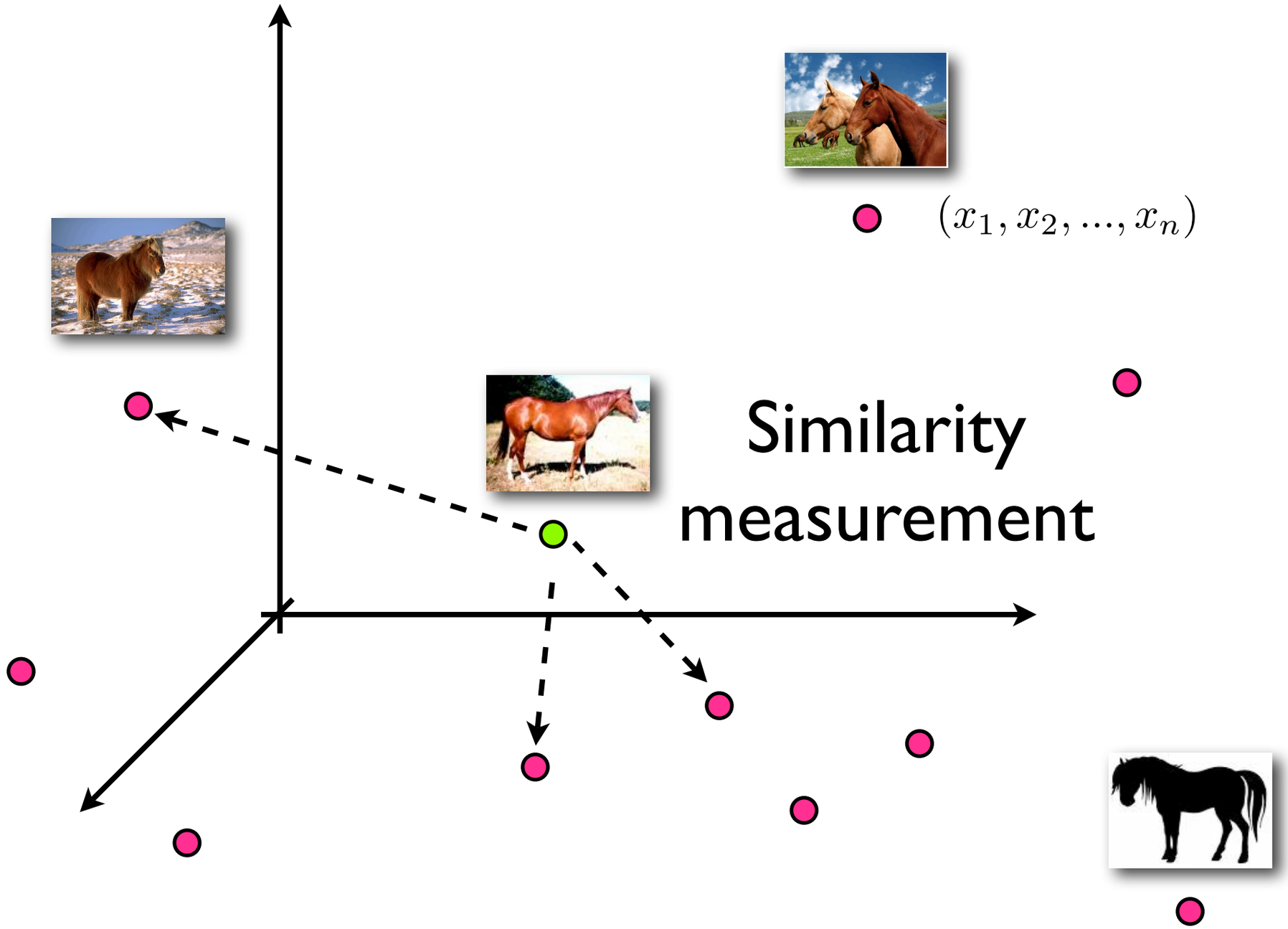

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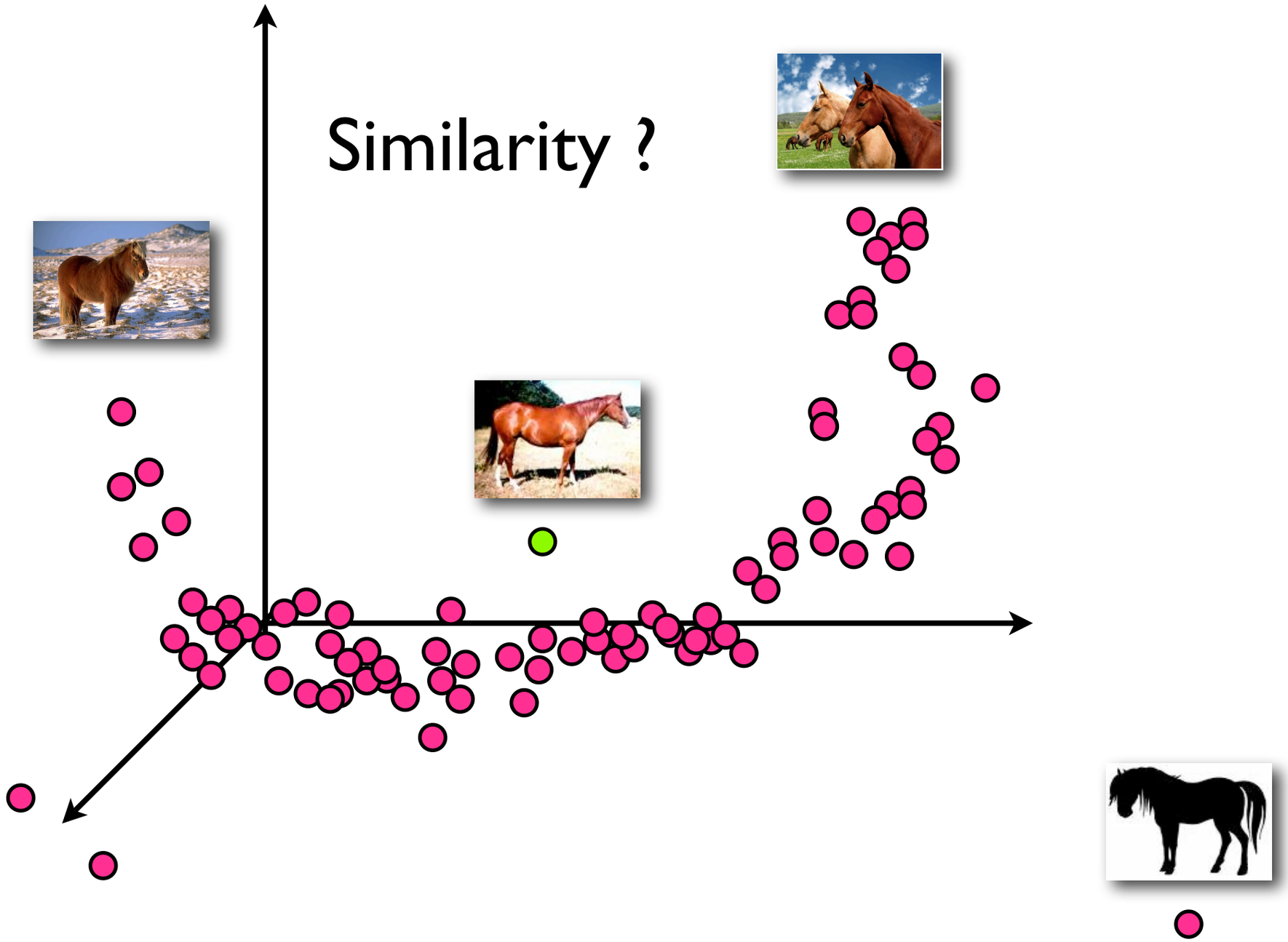

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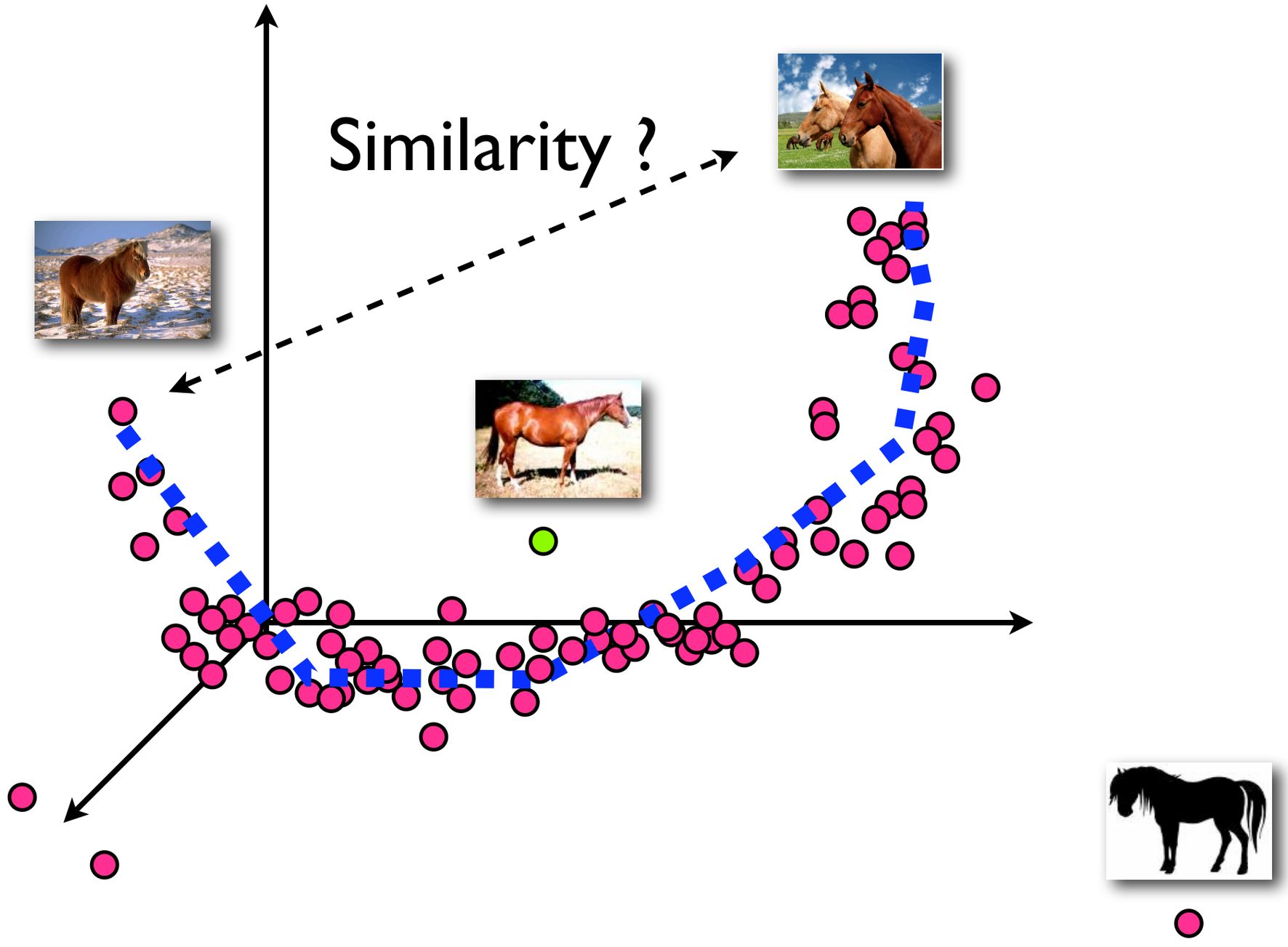

Image similarities

- How to measure similarity of different images base on features?
  - Image features always form into a fixed-length feature vector.
  - The similarity therefore can be measure by
    - Euclidian distance
    - Histogram intersection
    - Quadratic distance
    - Mahalanobis distance (马氏距离)
    - Non-geometrical similarity

Practical image retrieval systems

- QBIC (Query By Image Content)
  - http://www.qbic.almaden.ibm.com/
- Virage
  - http://wwwvirage.com/cgi-bin/query-e
- RetrievalWare
  - http://vrw.excalib.com/cgi-bin/sdk/cst/cst2.bat
- Photobook

- MARS
  - http://jadzia.ifp.uiuc.edu:8000

Practical image retrieval systems (cont.)

- Most existing image retrieval systems have one or more of following functions features:
  - –Random browsing
  - –Classified browsing
  - –Example based retrieval
  - –Sketch based retrieval
  - –Texture based retrieval

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2. music retrieval techniques

reference:

Content based music retrieval

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- 目的
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Content based music retrieval

- 困難
  - 使用者的節奏（tempo）快慢不同、拍子不準、音調（key）高低不同
  - 若允許使用者從歌的任意處唱，計算量很大

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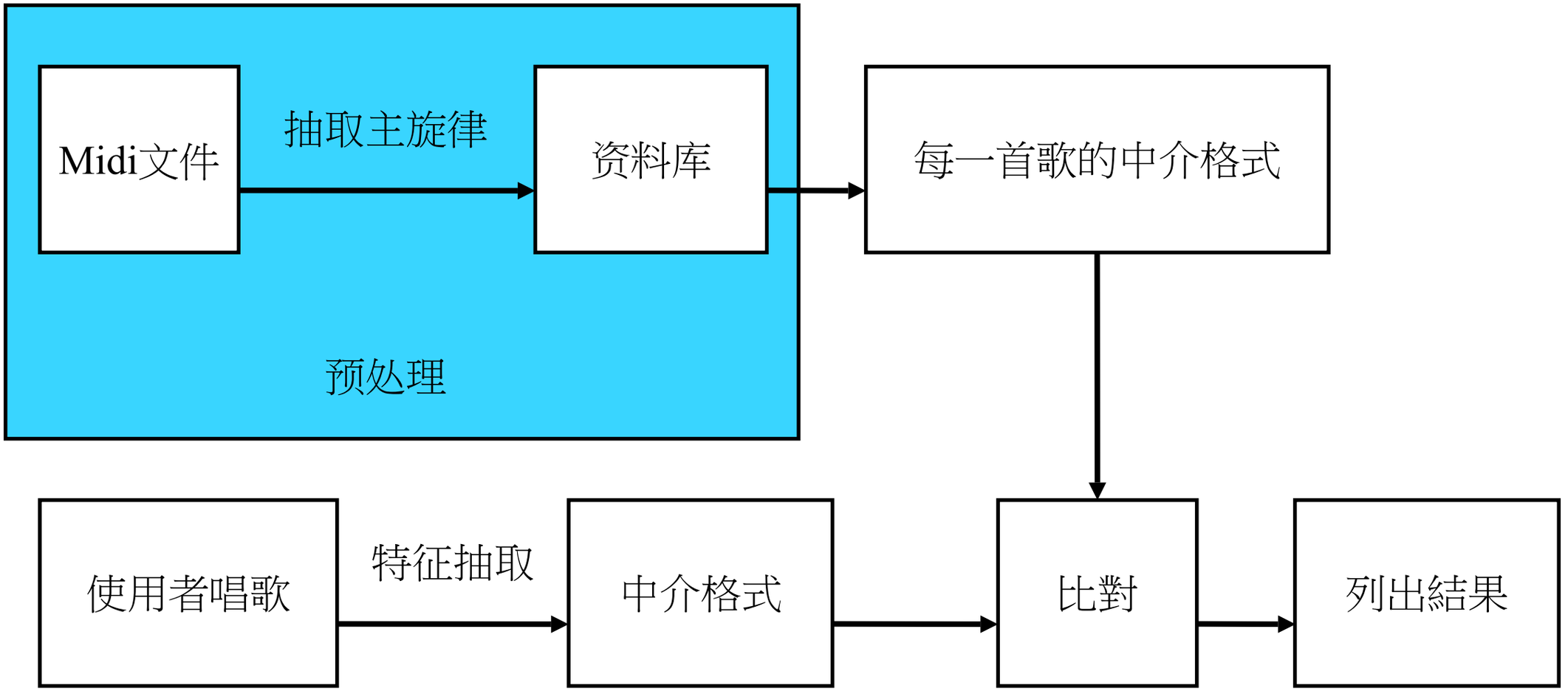

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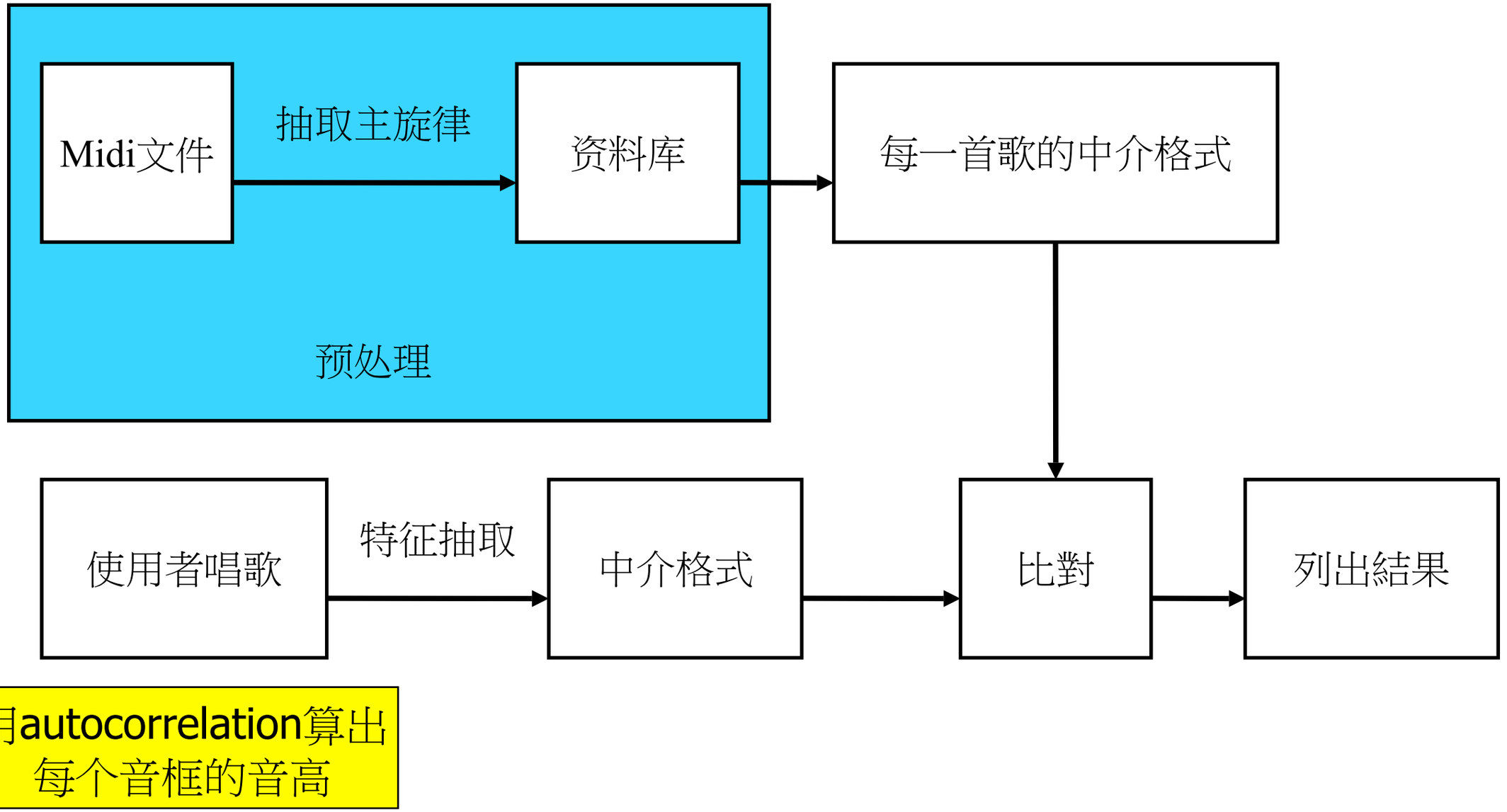
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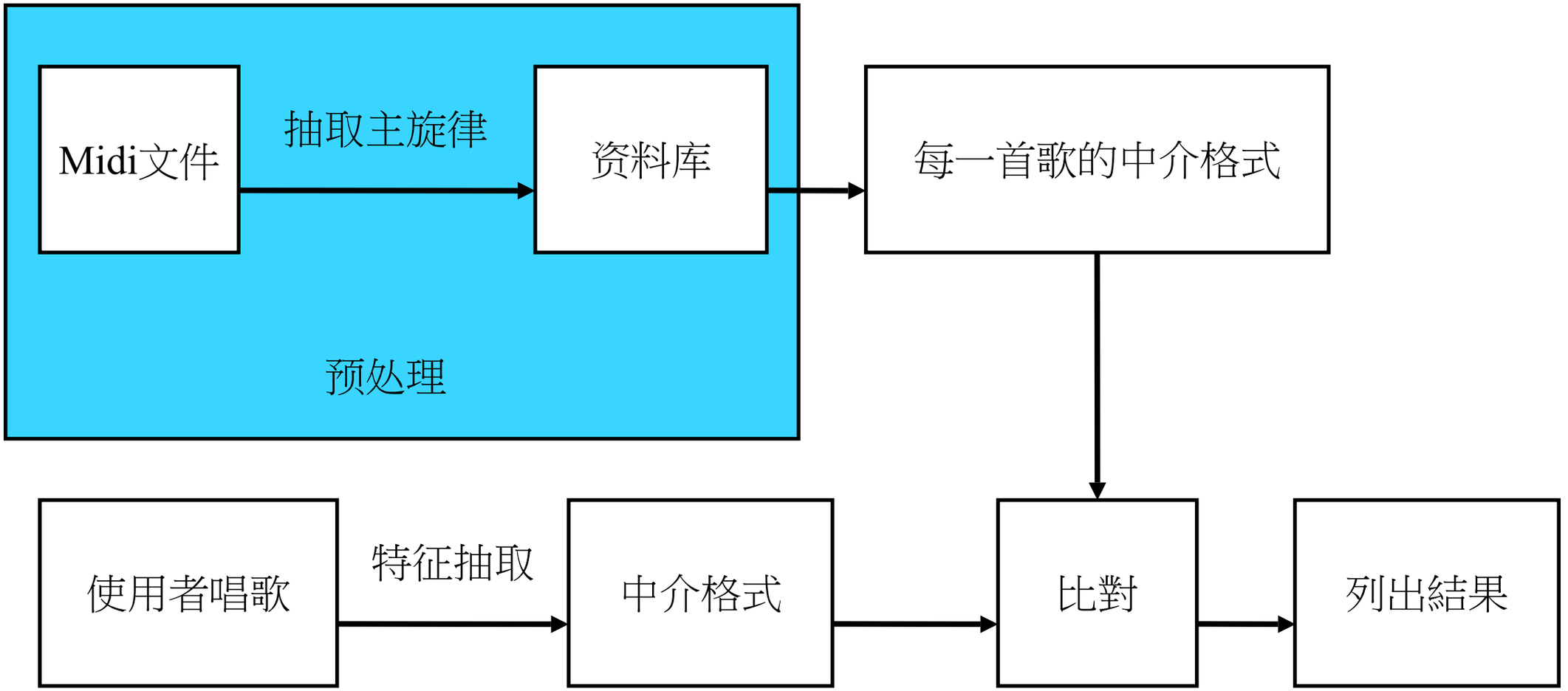

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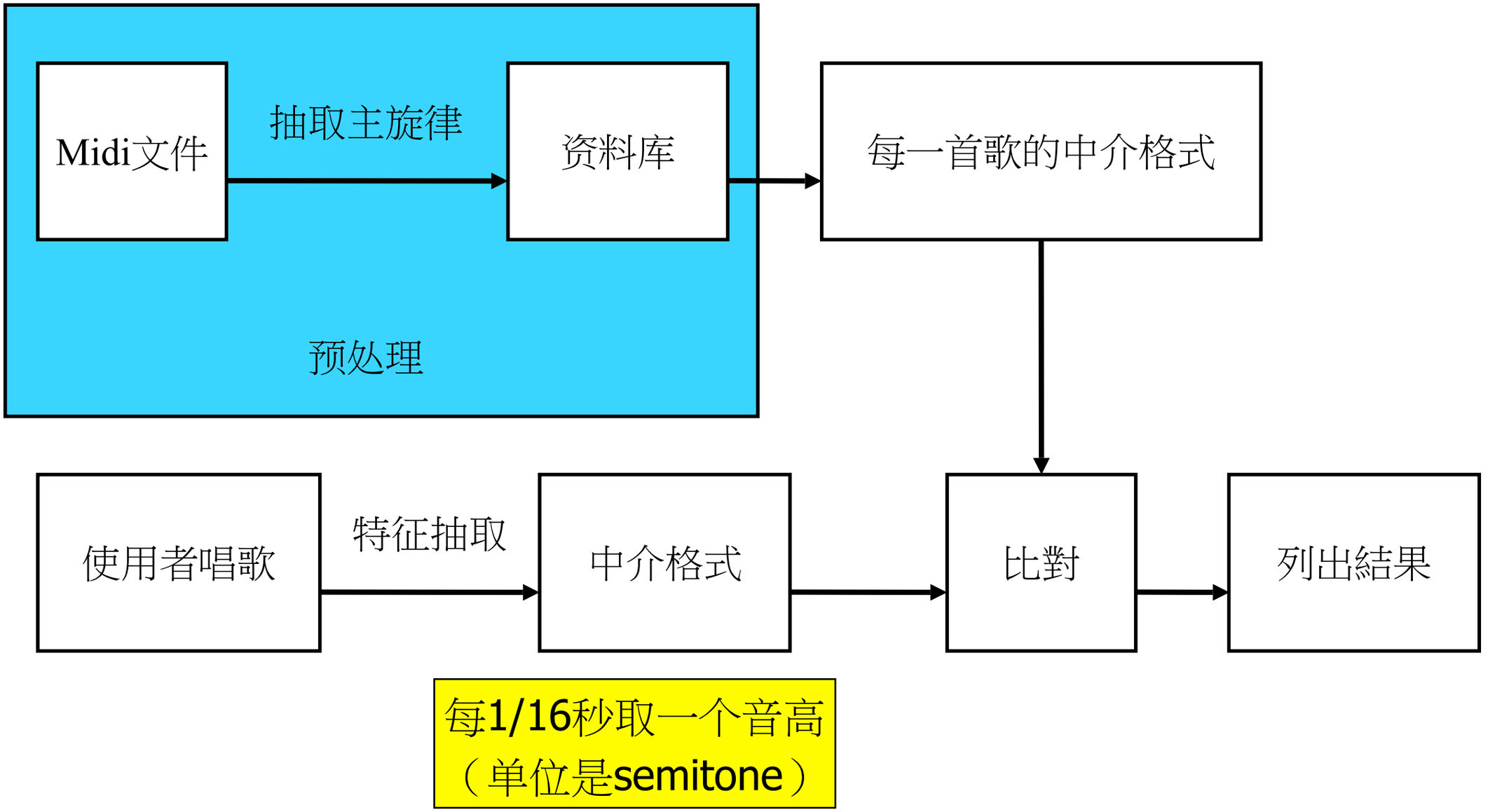
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（单位是semitone）

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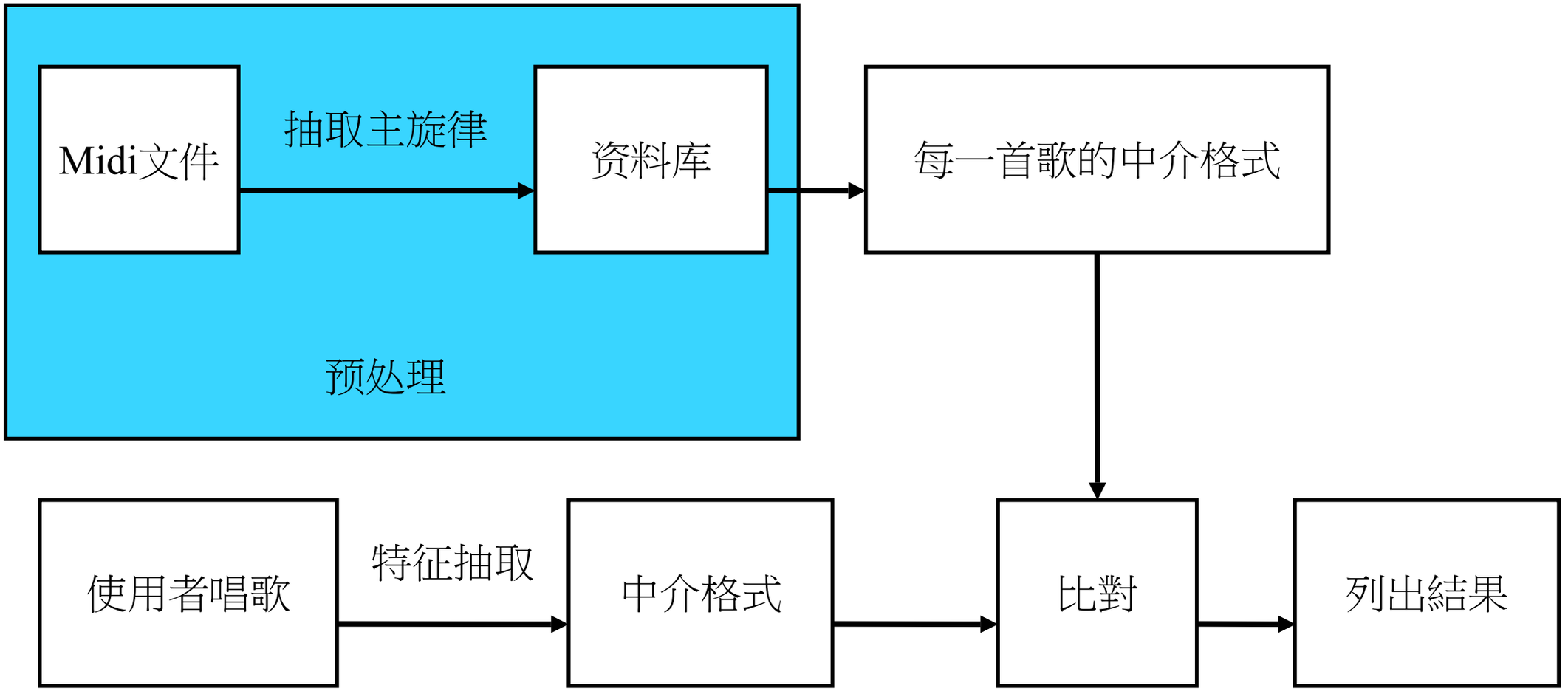

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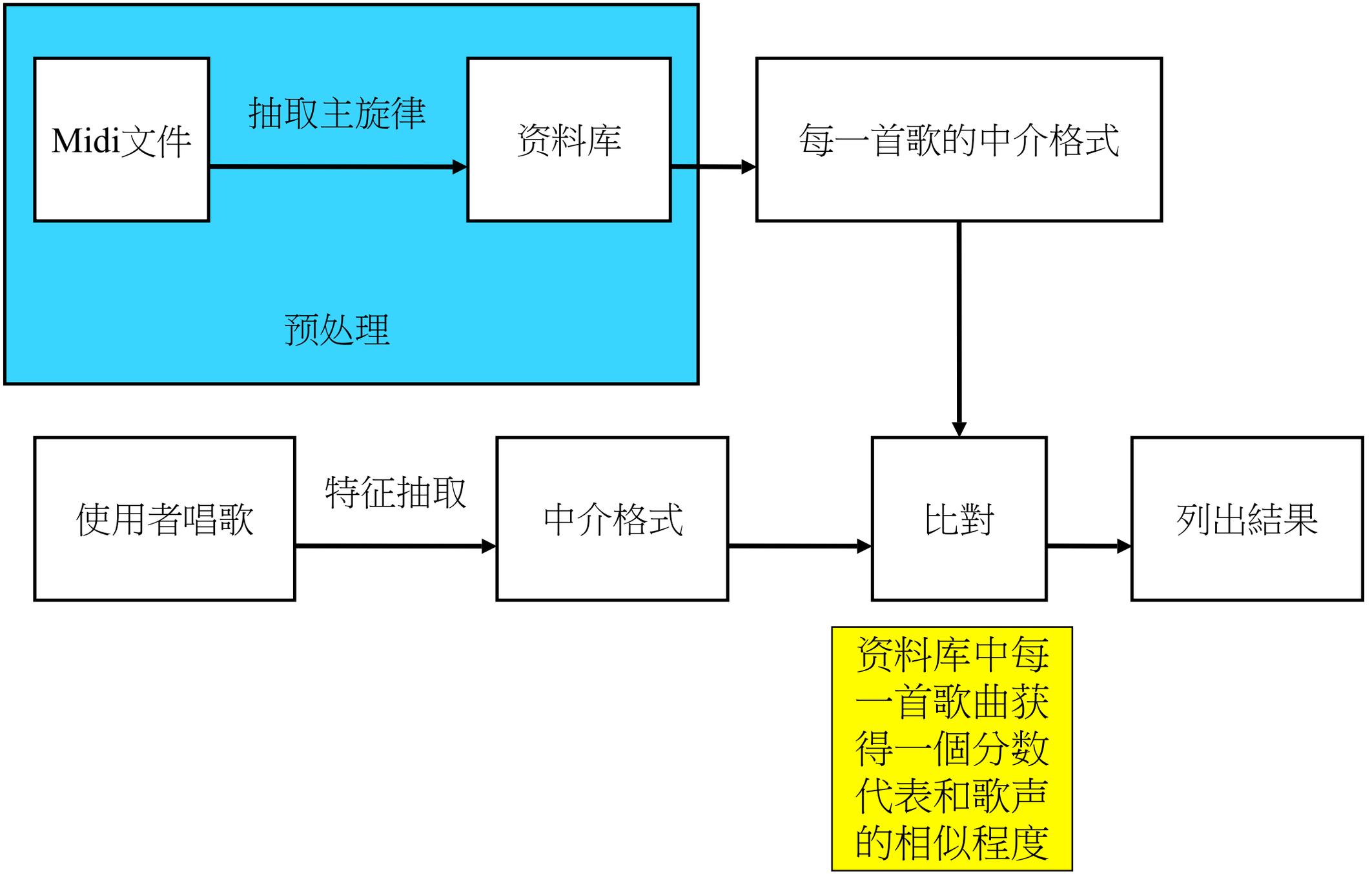
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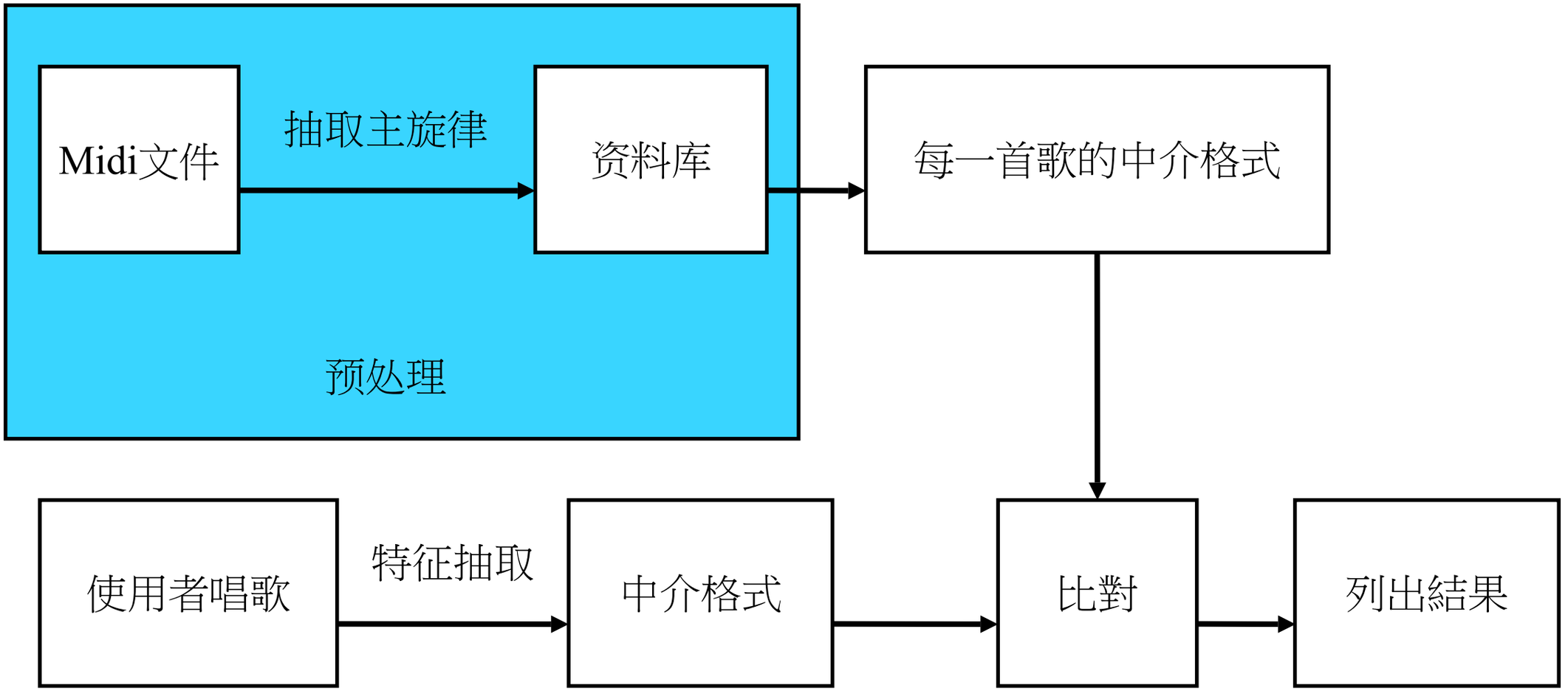

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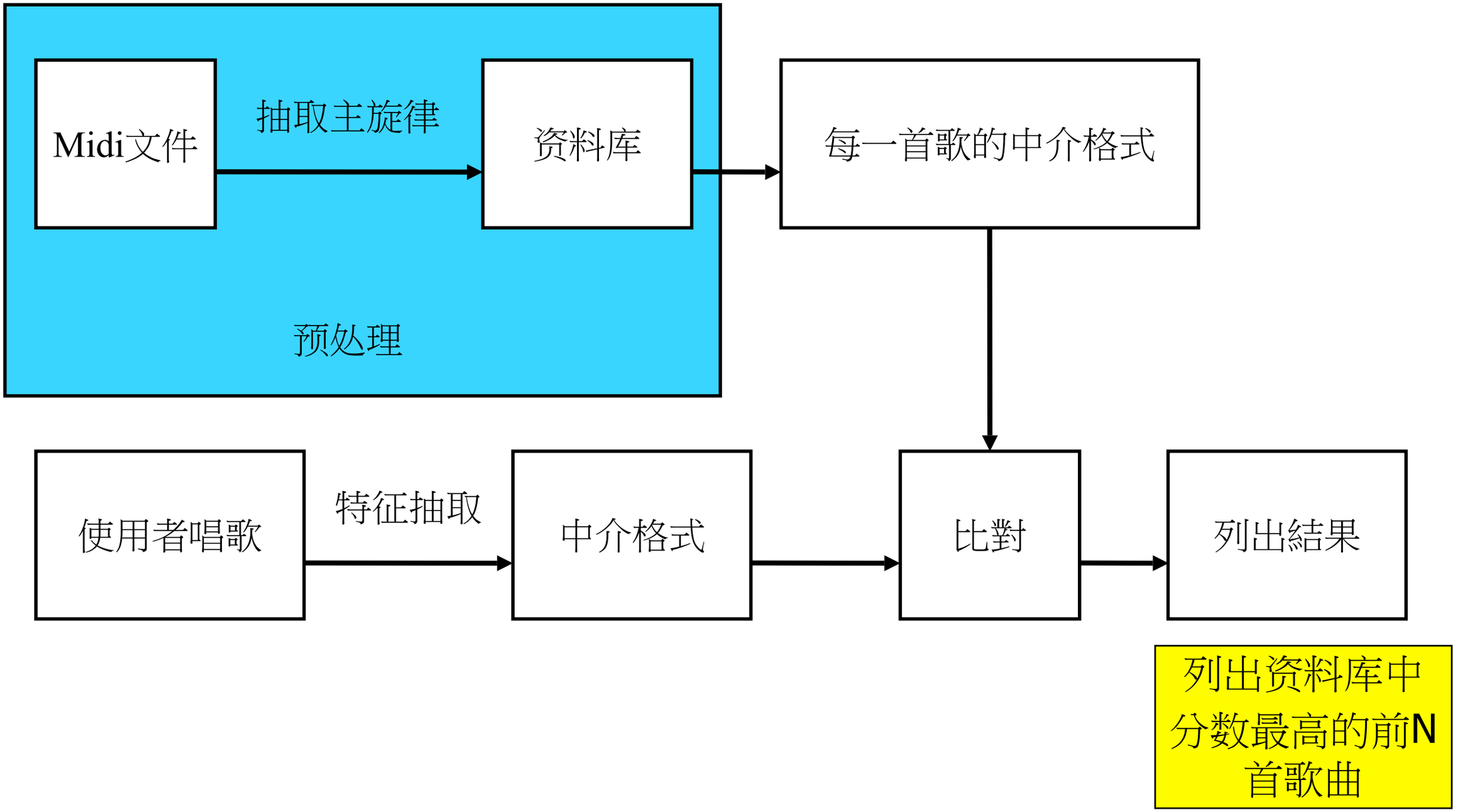
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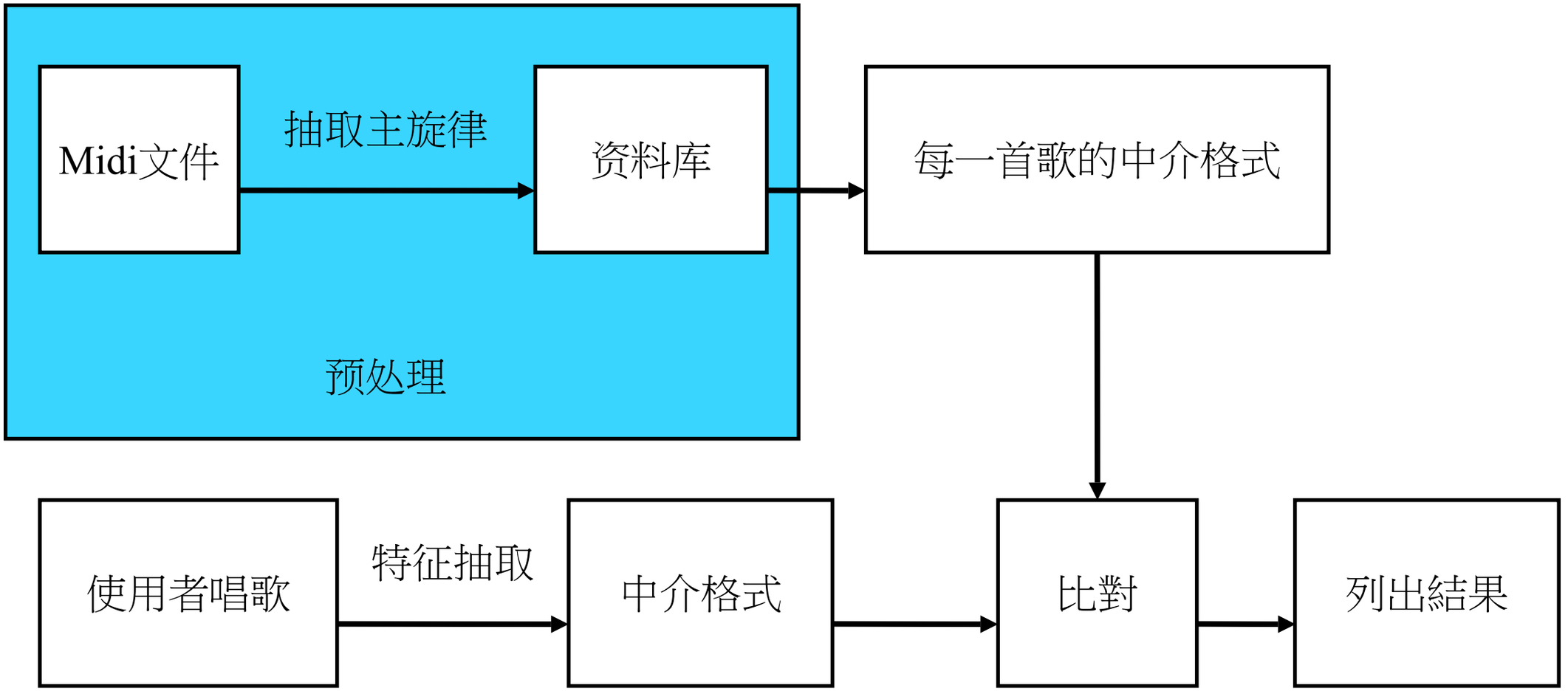
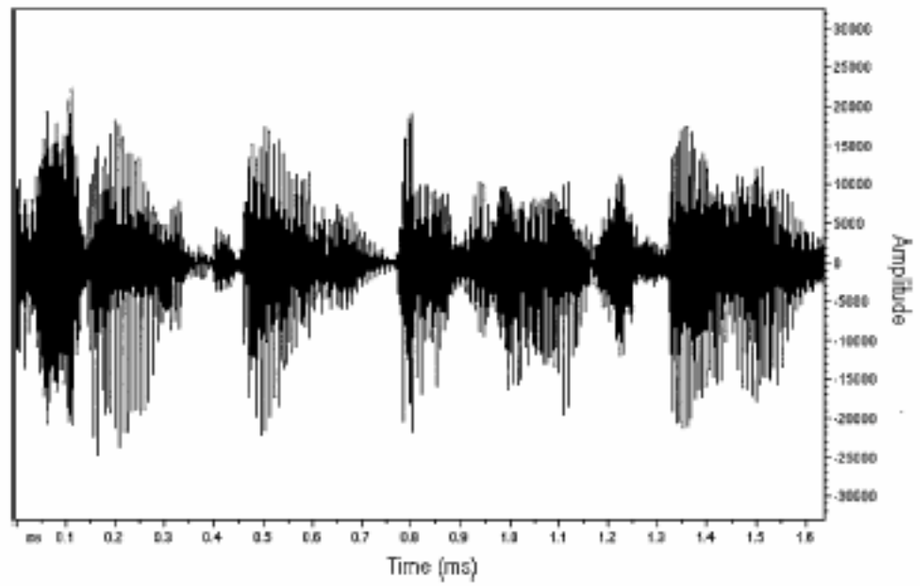


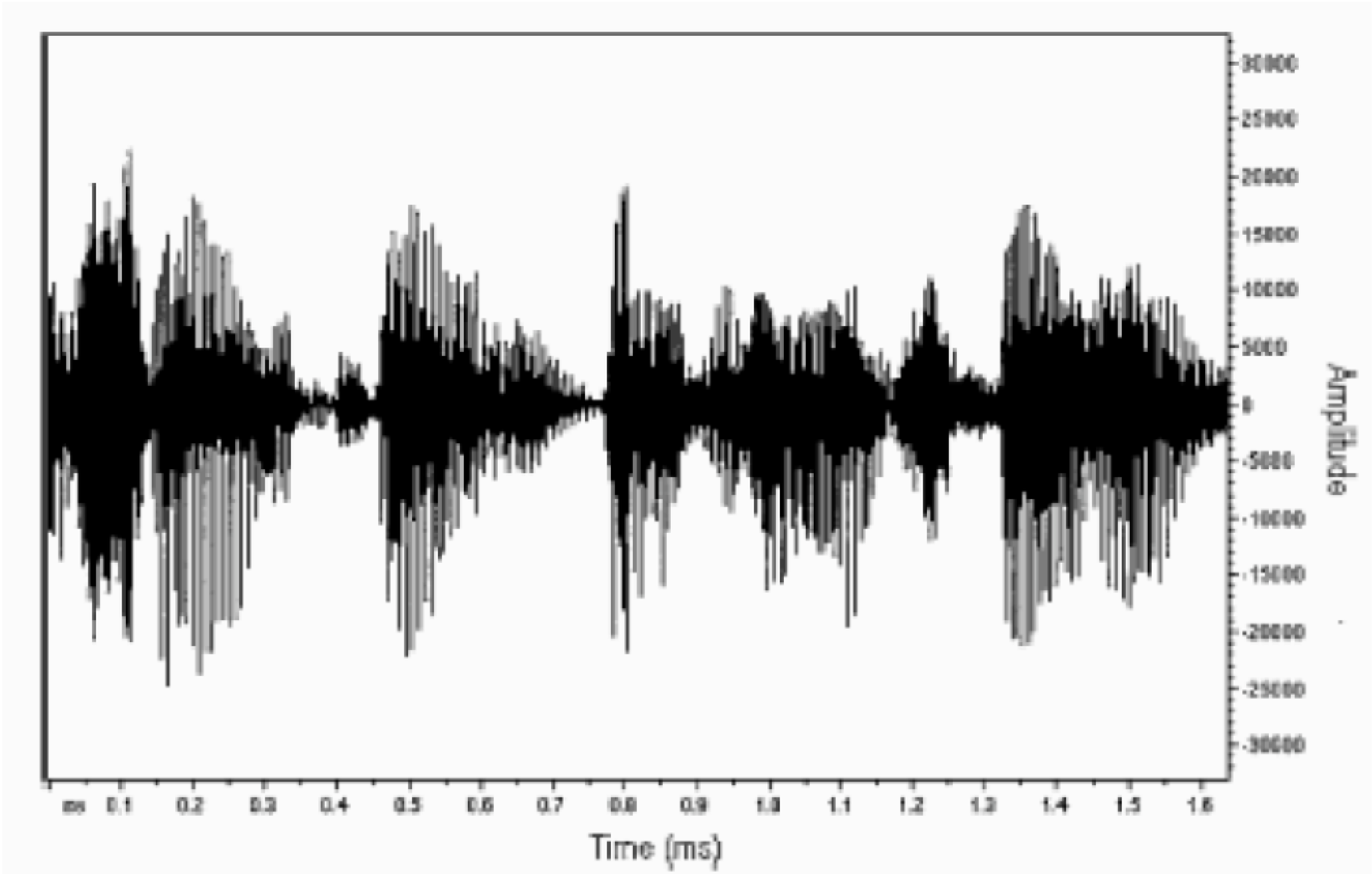
Main Audio Features

- Time-Domain Features
  - Average Energy
  - Zero Crossing Rate
  - Silence Ratio
- Frequency-Domain Features
  - Sound Spectrum
  - Bandwidth
  - Energy Distribution
  - Harmonicity
  - Pitch
- Spectrogram



Time-Domain Features

- Amplitude-time representation of an audio signal



Time-Domain Features (2)

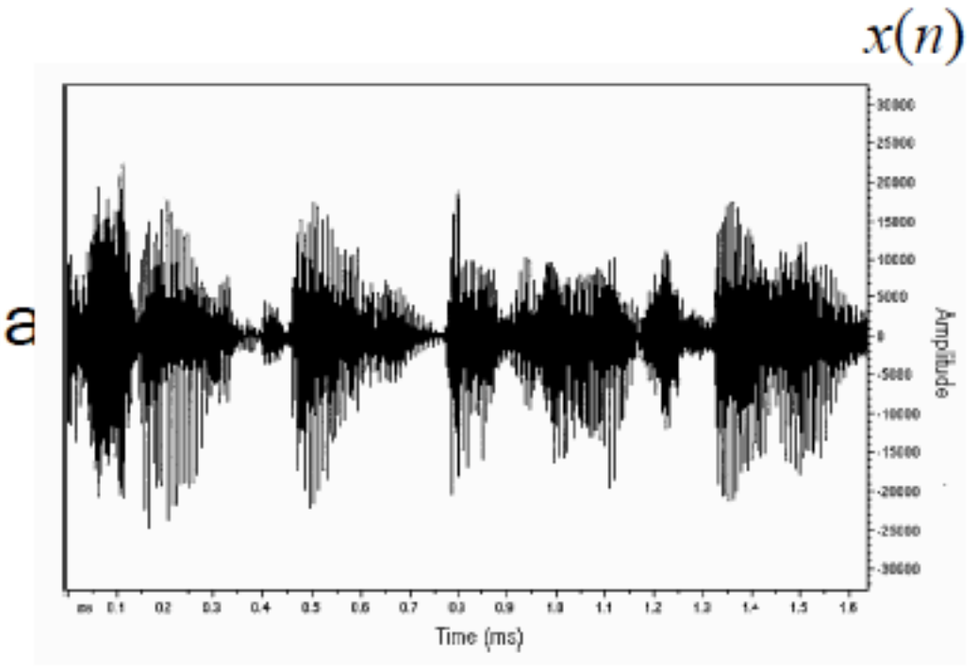
- Average Energy
  - Indicates the loudness of the audio signal

$$E = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N-1} x(n)^2}{N}$$

- Zero Crossing Rate
  - Indicates the frequency of signa amplitude sign change

$$ZC = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \text{sgn}[x(n)] - \text{sgn}[x(n-1)]}{2N}$$

$$\text{sgn}(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & a > 0 \\ 0 & a = 0 \\ -1 & a < 0 \end{cases}$$

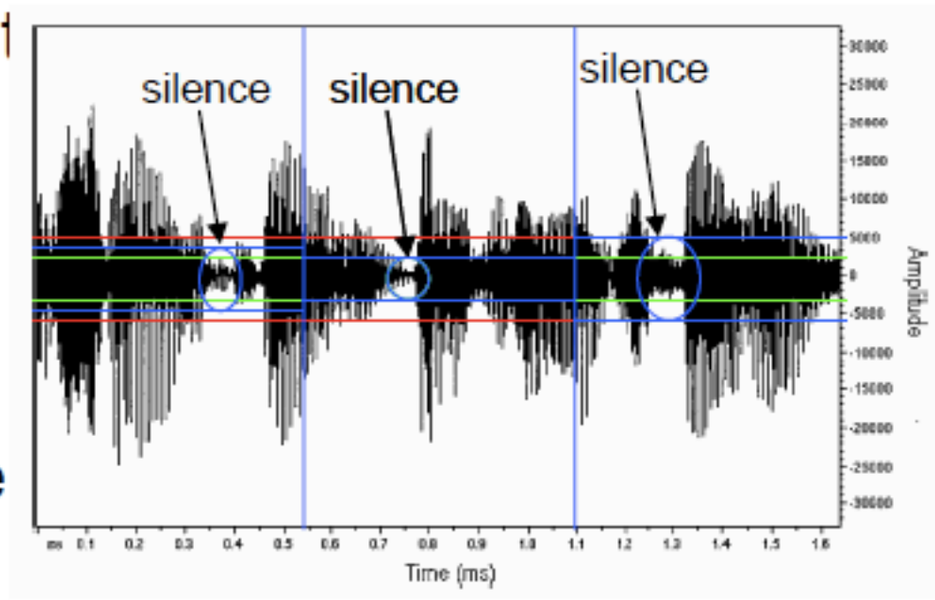


Time-Domain Features (3)

- Silence Ratio
  - Indicates the proportion of the sound piece that is silent
  - Silence is a period within which the absolute amplitude values of a certain number of samples are below a certain threshold
  - Silence ratio is calculated as the ratio between the sum of silent periods and the total leng

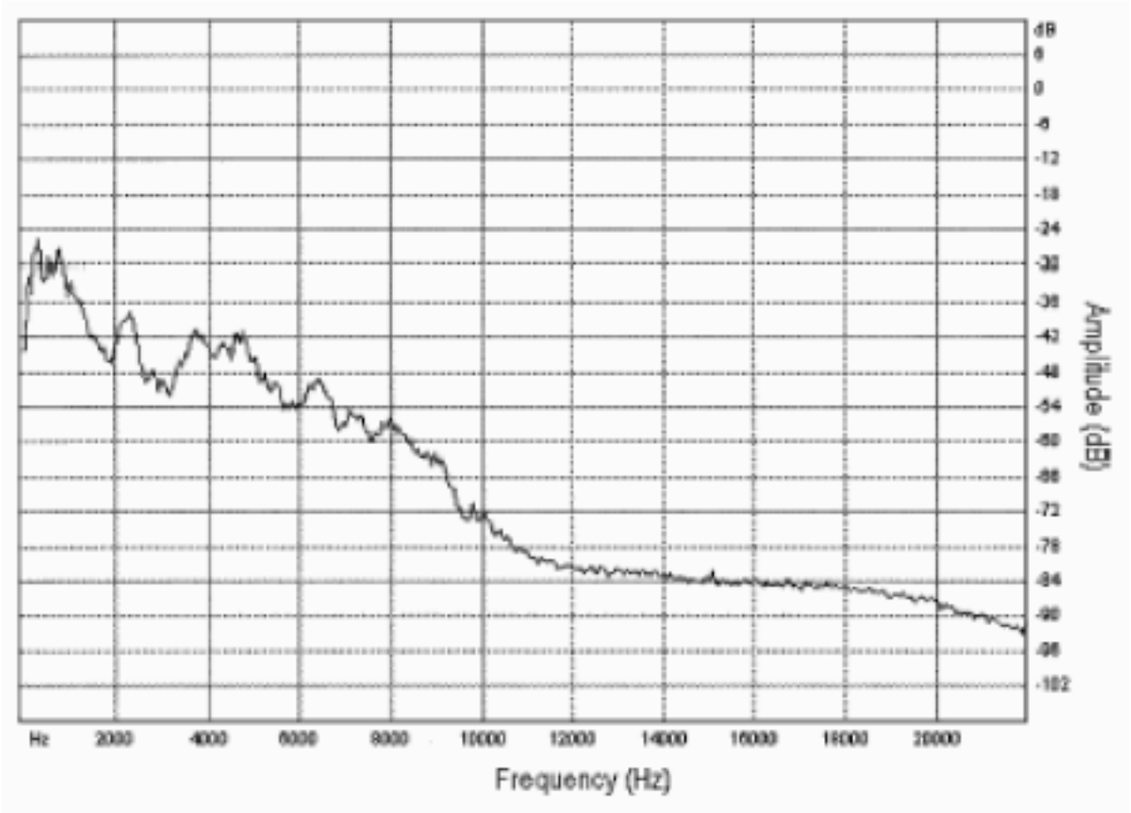
Approaches:

1. Fixed Threshold
2. Select Reference Silence Value
3. Adaptive Silence Thresholds



Frequency-Domain Features

- Sound Spectrum



Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-\frac{j2\pi nk}{N}}$$

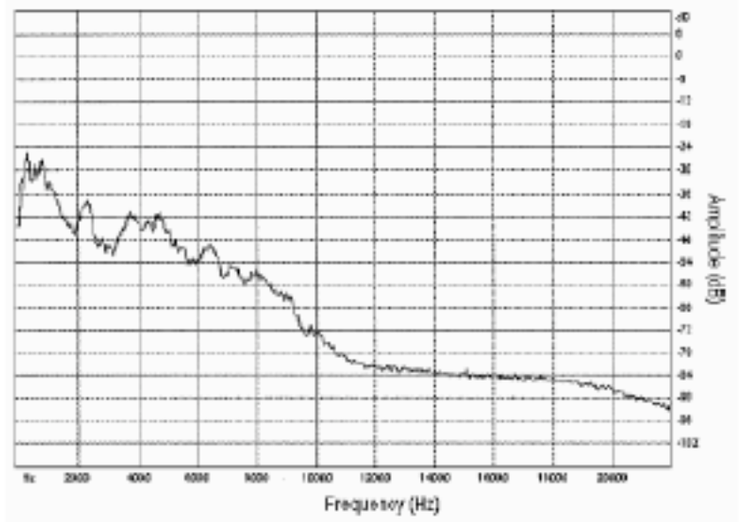
Inverse Discrete Fourier Transform (IDFT)

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} X(k) e^{\frac{j2\pi nk}{N}}$$

- For large value of N, the signal is often broken into blocks called frames and DFT is applied to each of the frames.

Frequency-Domain Features (2)

- Bandwidth
  - indicated the frequency range of a sound
  - can be taken as the difference between the highest frequency and lowest frequency of non-zero spectrum components
  - “non-zero” may be defined as at least 3dB above the silence level



- Energy distribution
  - Signal distribution across frequency components
  - One important feature derived from the energy distribution is the *centroid*, which is the mid-point of the spectral energy distribution of a sound. Centroid is also called *brightness*

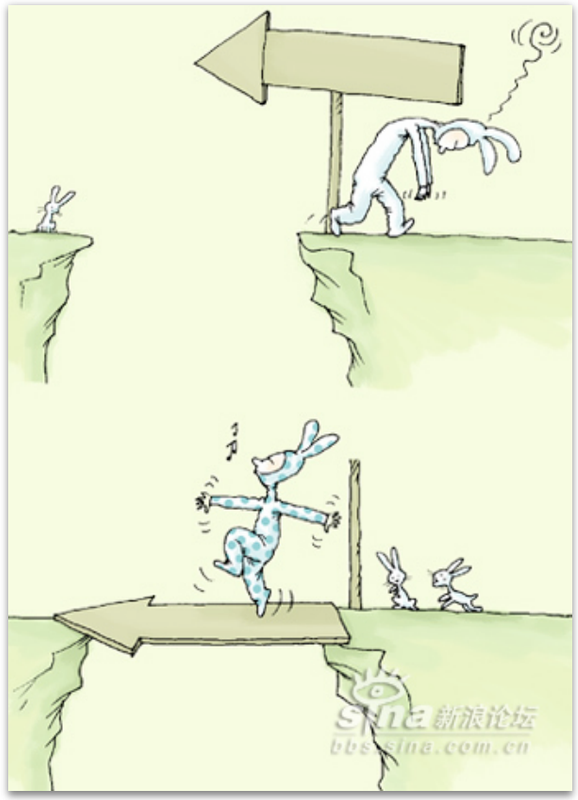
Frequency-Domain Features (3)

- Harmonicity
  - In harmonic sound, the spectral components are mostly whole number multiples of the lowest and most often loudest frequency
  - Lowest frequency is called *fundamental frequency*
  - Music is normally more harmonic than other sounds
- Pitch
  - the distinctive quality of a sound, dependent primarily on the frequency of the sound waves produced by its source
  - only period sounds, such as those produced by musical instruments and the voice, give rise to a sensation of a pitch
  - In practice, we use the fundamental frequency as the approximation of the pitch

相關研究

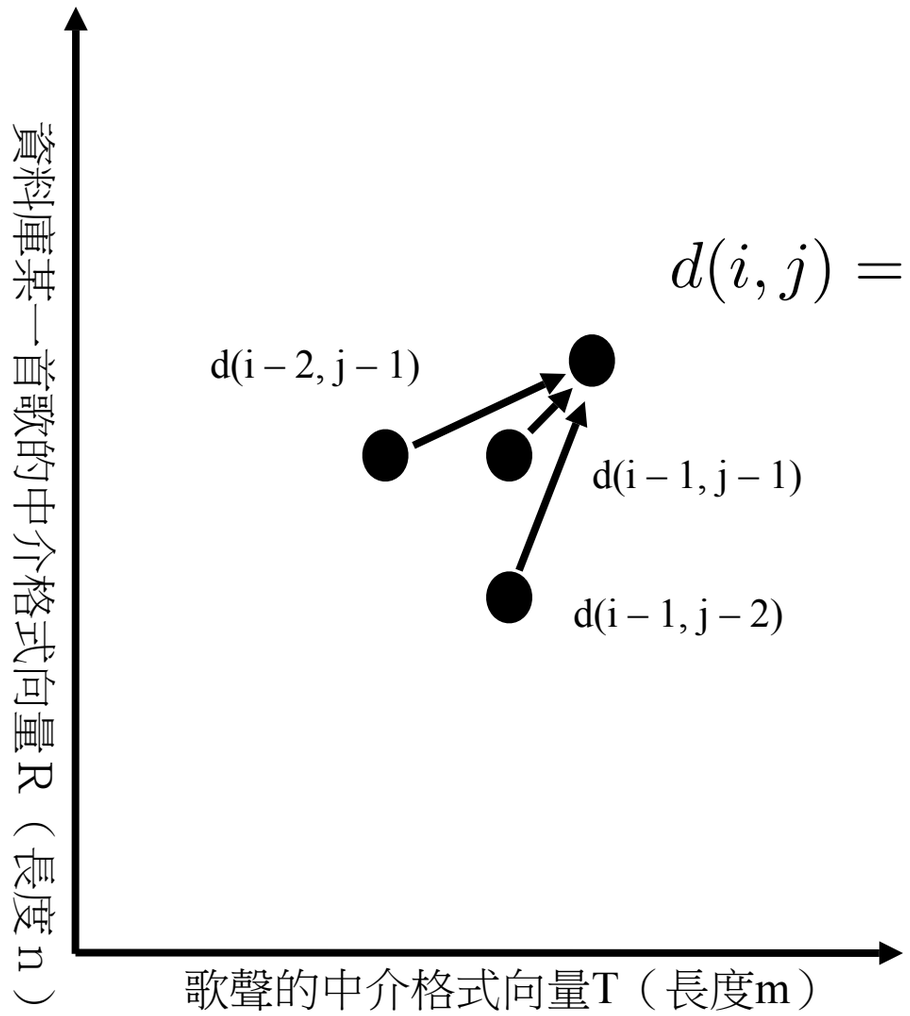
名稱	使用限制	比對方法	資料庫歌曲數目
Query by Humming	必須唱 ta 或 da 斷音	Baeza-Yates & Perleberg (92)	183
MELDEX (Melody Indexing)	必須唱 ta 或 da 斷音	Dynamic programming	9400
SoundCompass	必須照節拍器唱	Pitch transitions & histograms for weighted average	10086
MELODISCOV	無	FIExPat, Rolland (99)	未知

前人的方法



- 克服節奏快慢不同的問題
  - Dynamic time warping
- 克服音調高低不同的問題
  - Key transposition
    - 將使用者的歌聲和資料庫中的歌轉換後的中介格式的平均值都平移到0，做一次dtw比對
    - 將資料庫中的歌的中介格式上下平移再做四次dtw比對，以找出最短的距離
- 全曲比對費時很久且準確率低
- 使用浮點數運算

Dynamic Time Warping



$$d(i,j) = \min \begin{cases} d(i-1,j-1) \\ d(i-2,j-1) + |T(i) - R(j)| \\ d(i-1,j-2) \end{cases}$$

$$dtw(T,R) = \min_{1 \le j \le n} d(m,j)$$

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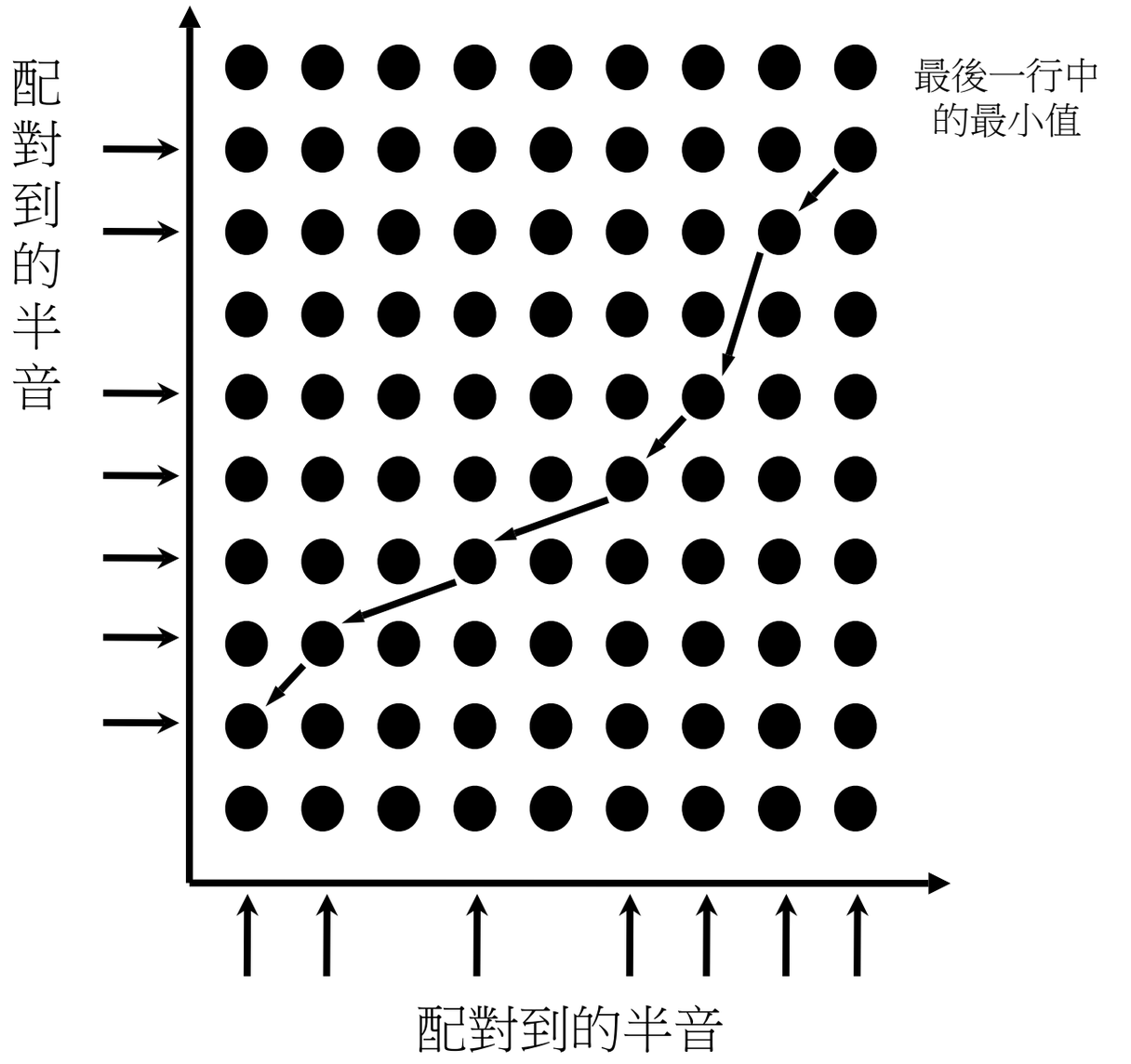

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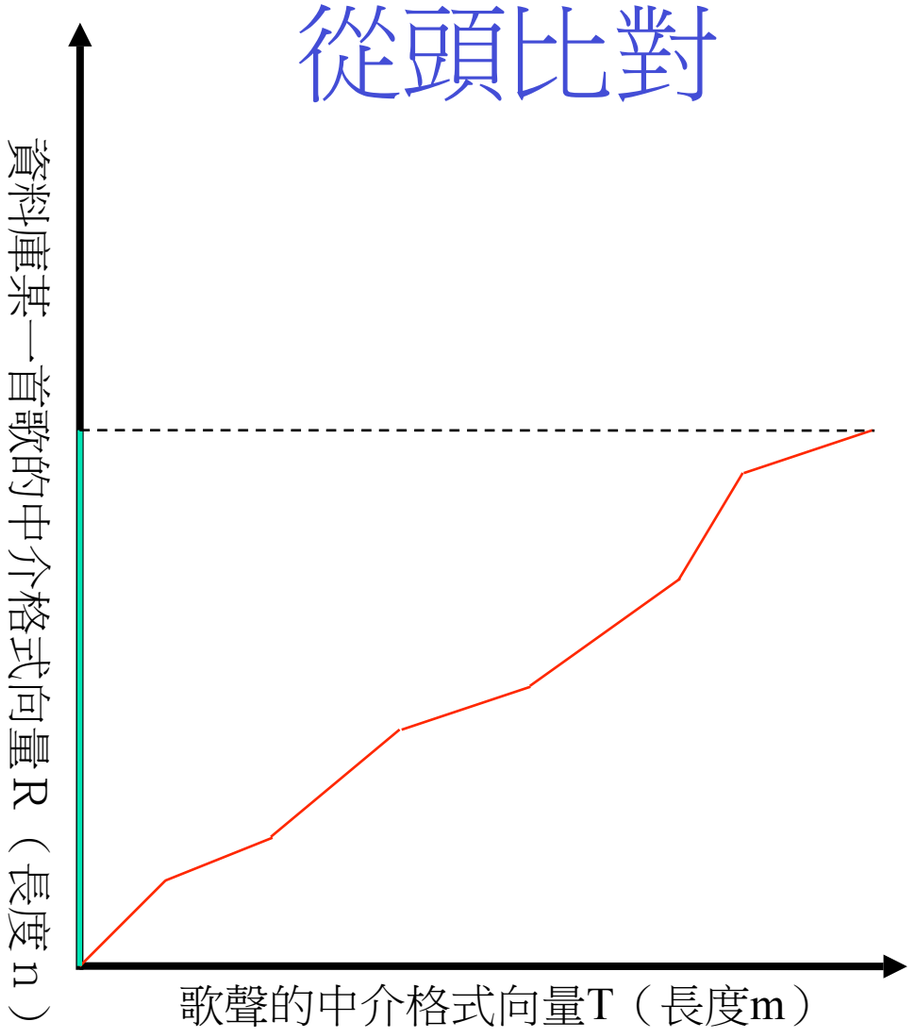
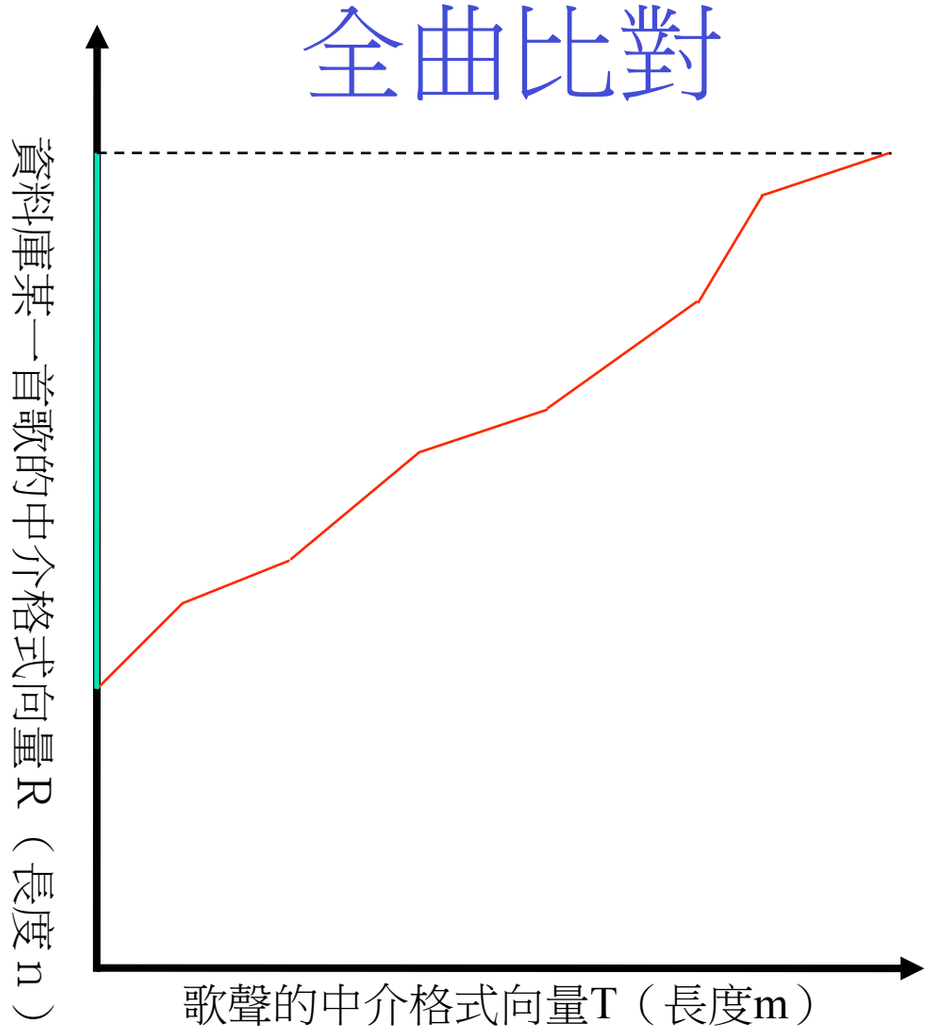


全曲比對



Key Transposition

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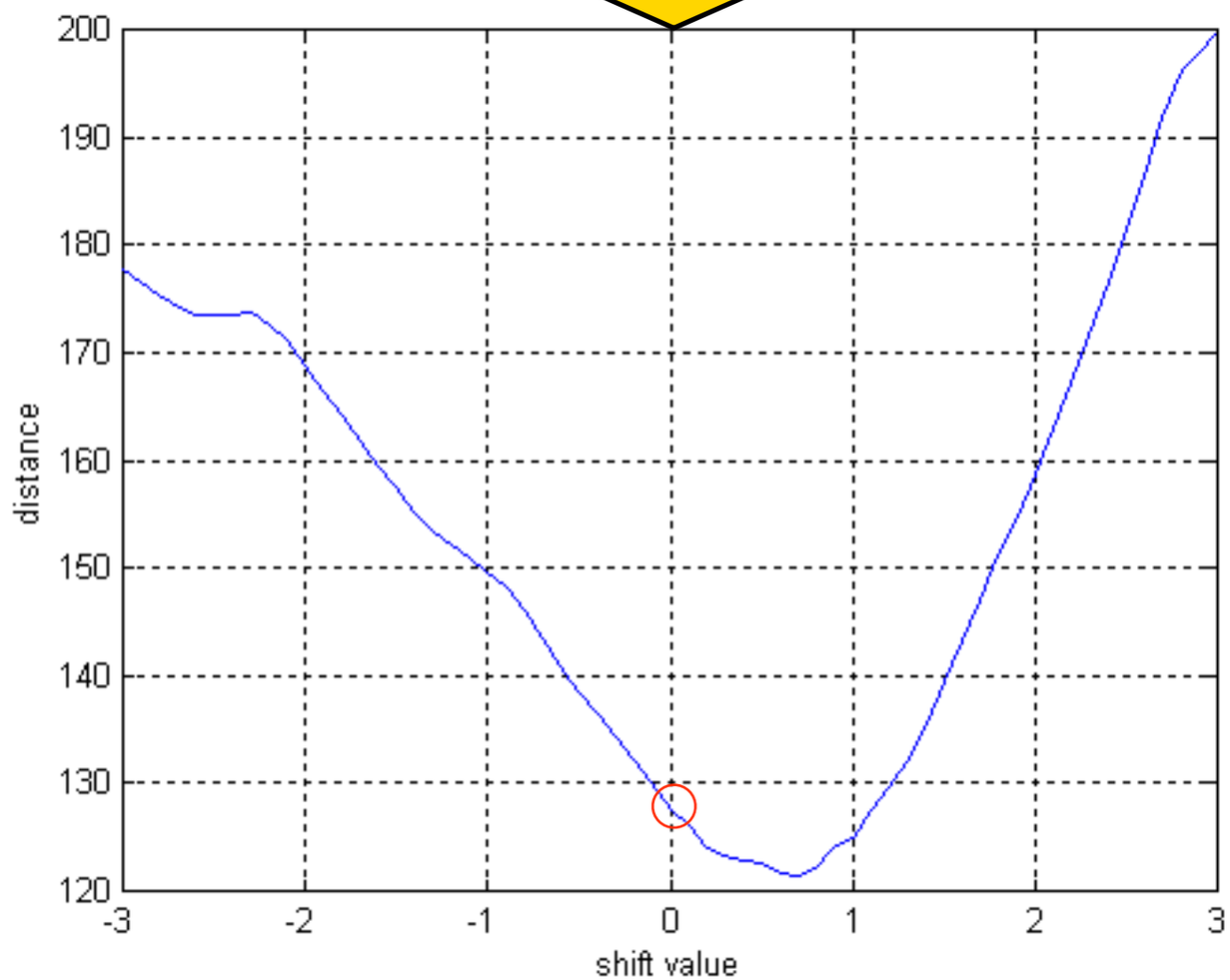

資料庫中某一首歌的中介格式

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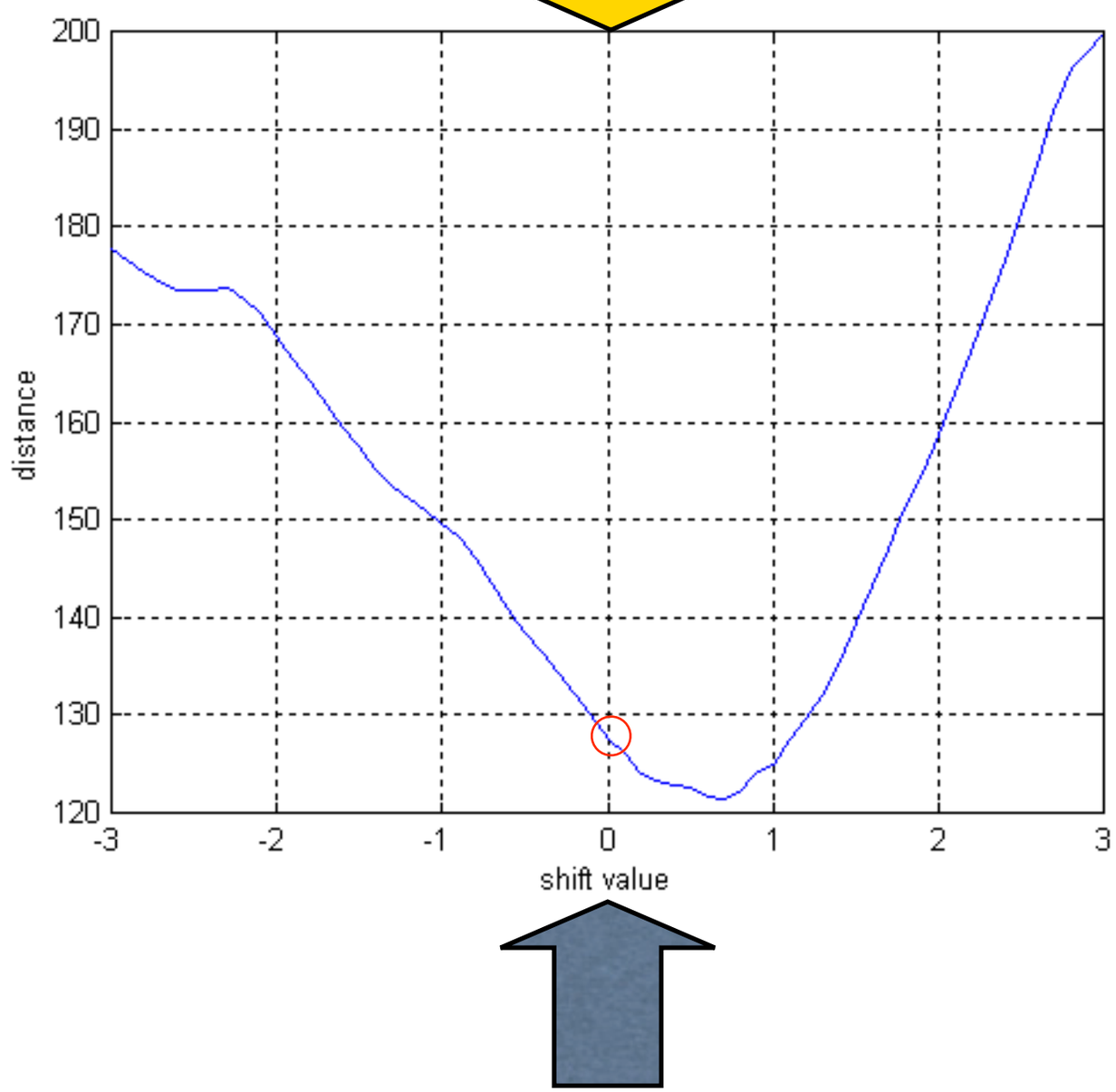

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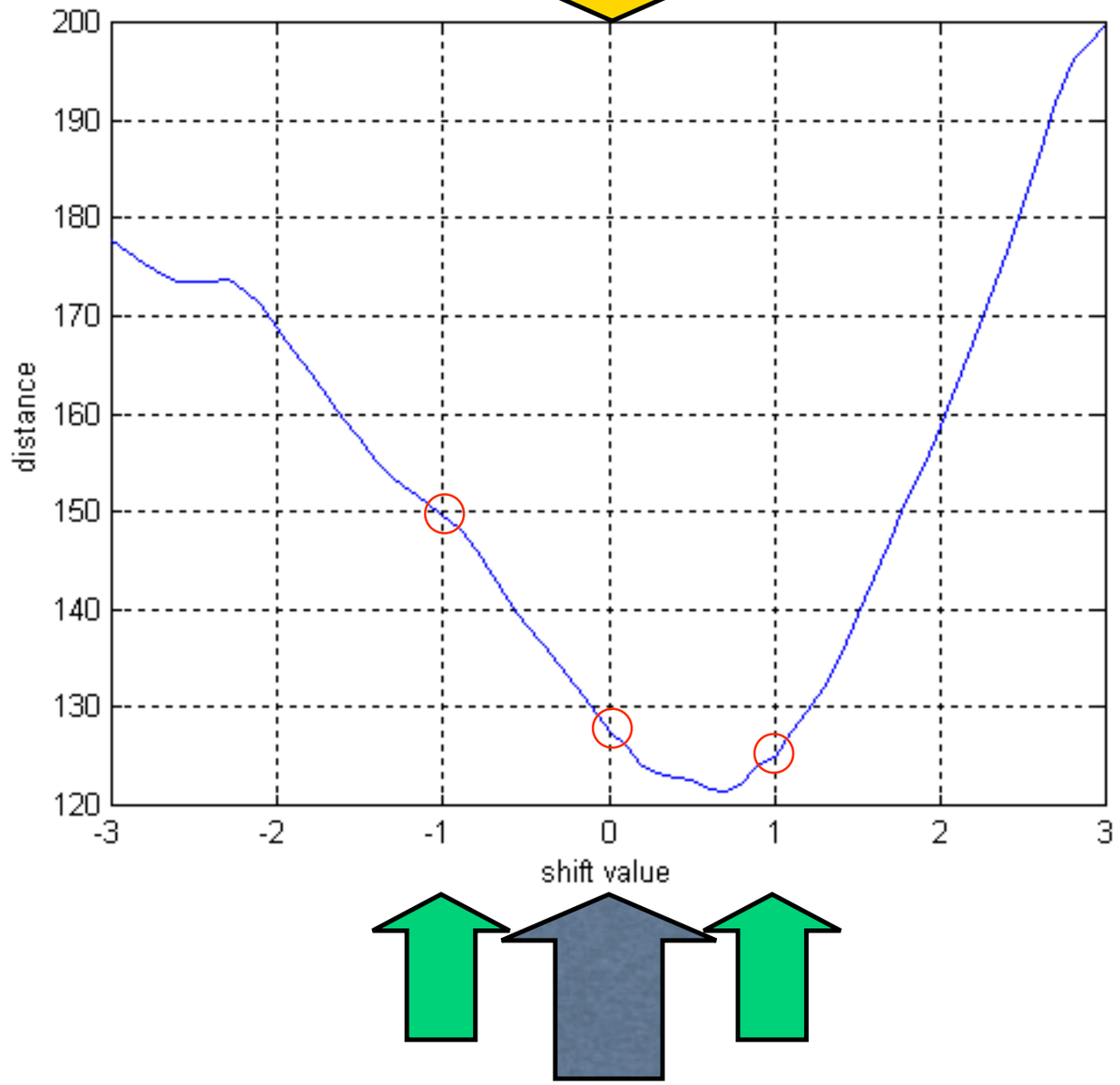

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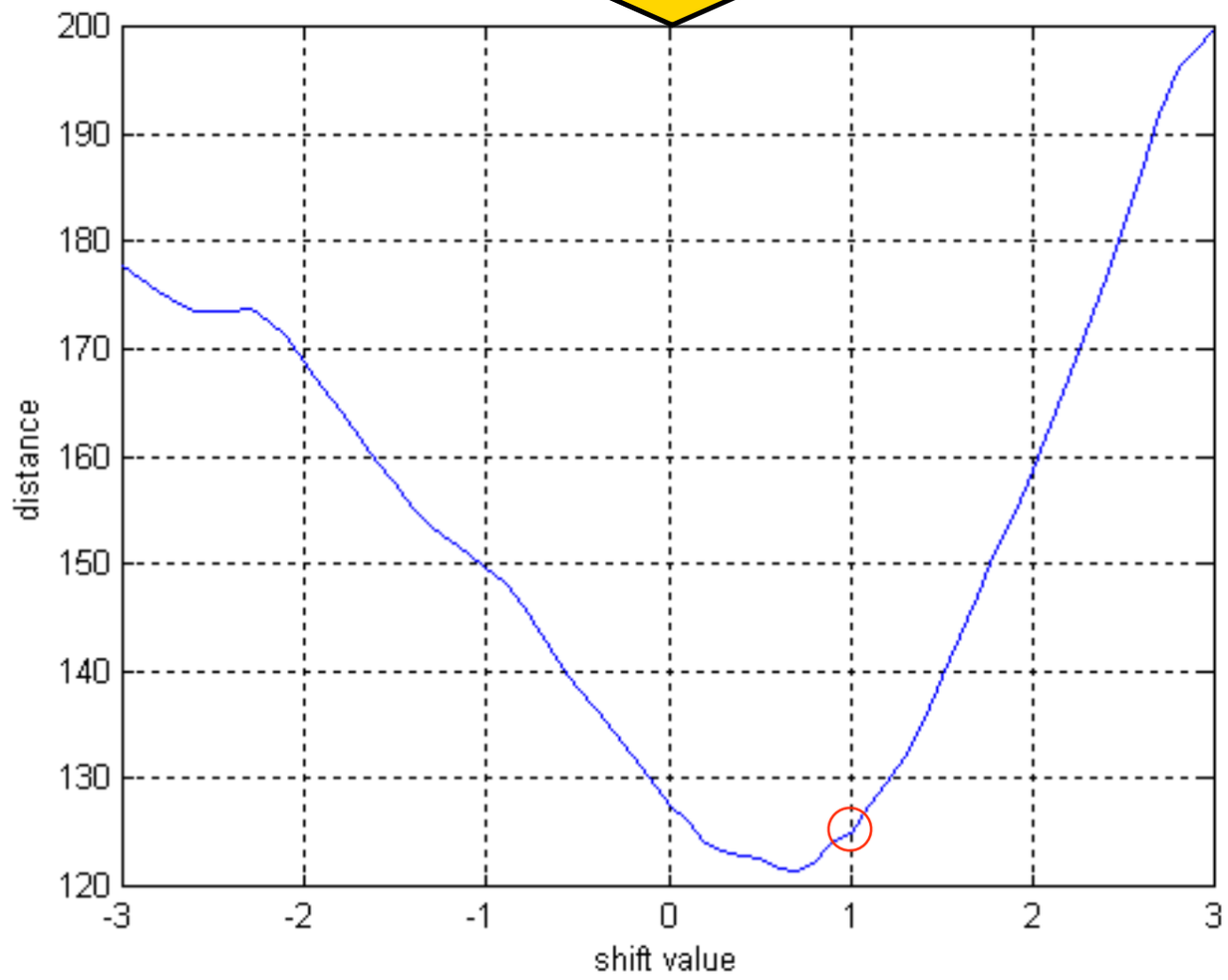

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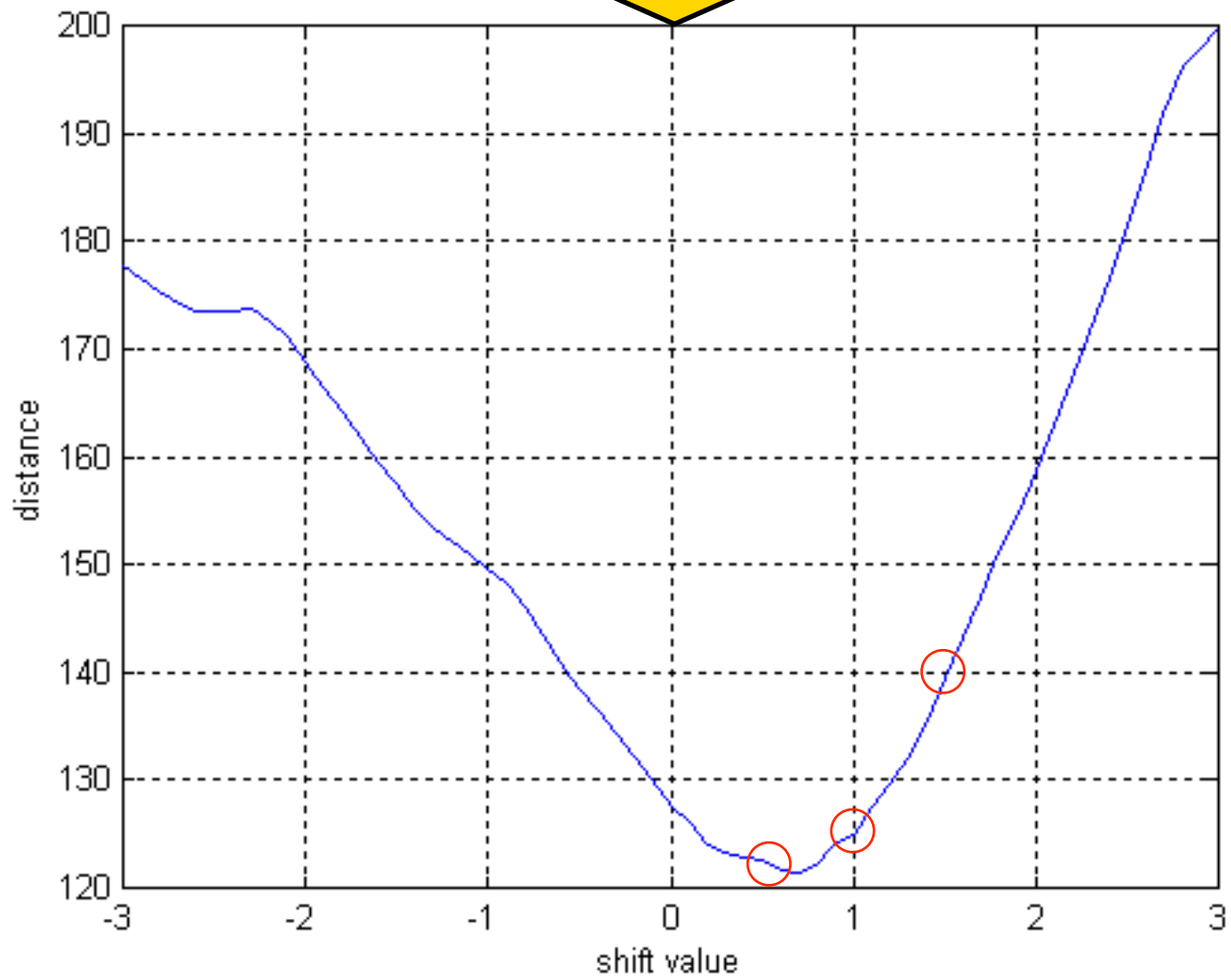

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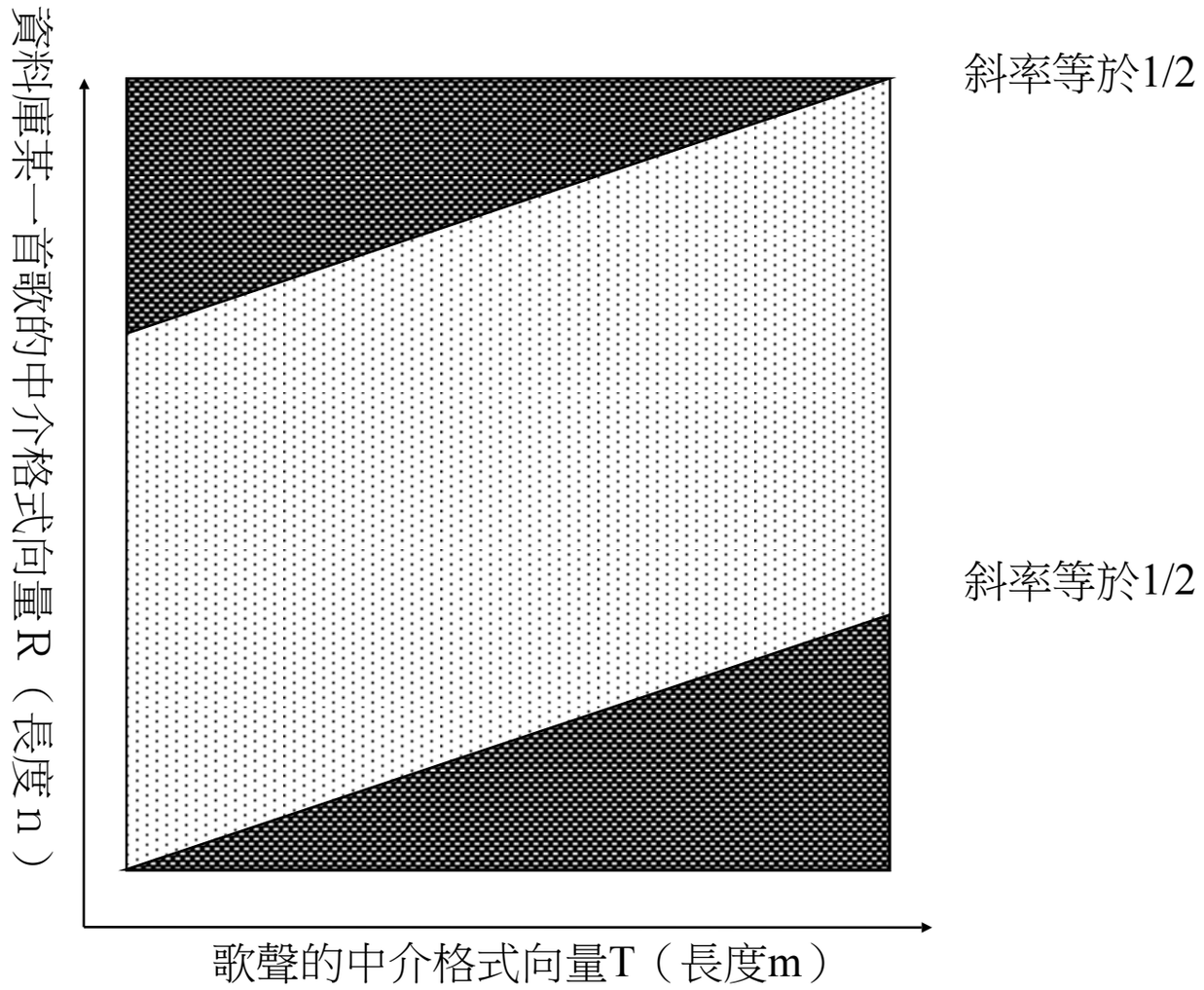

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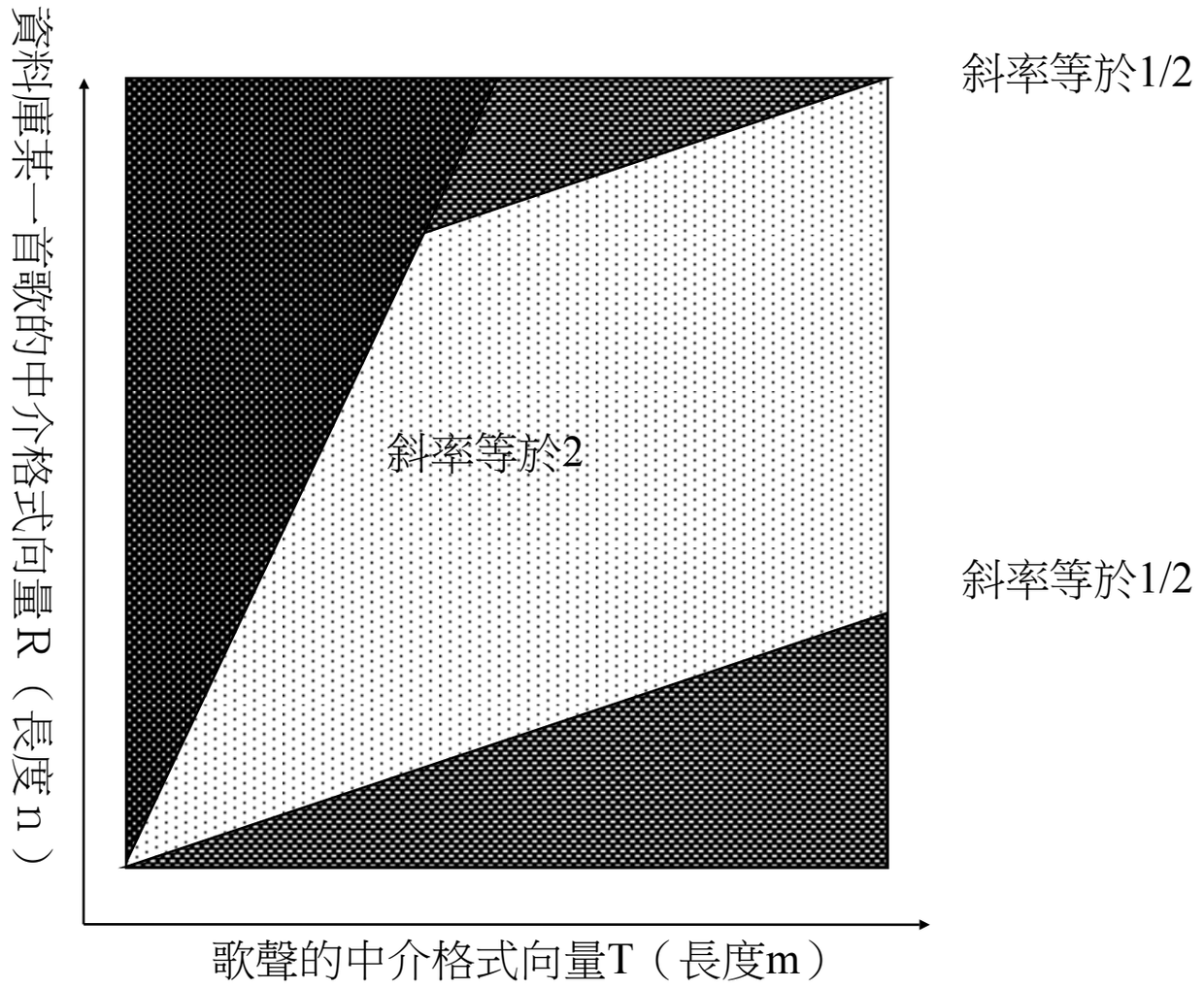
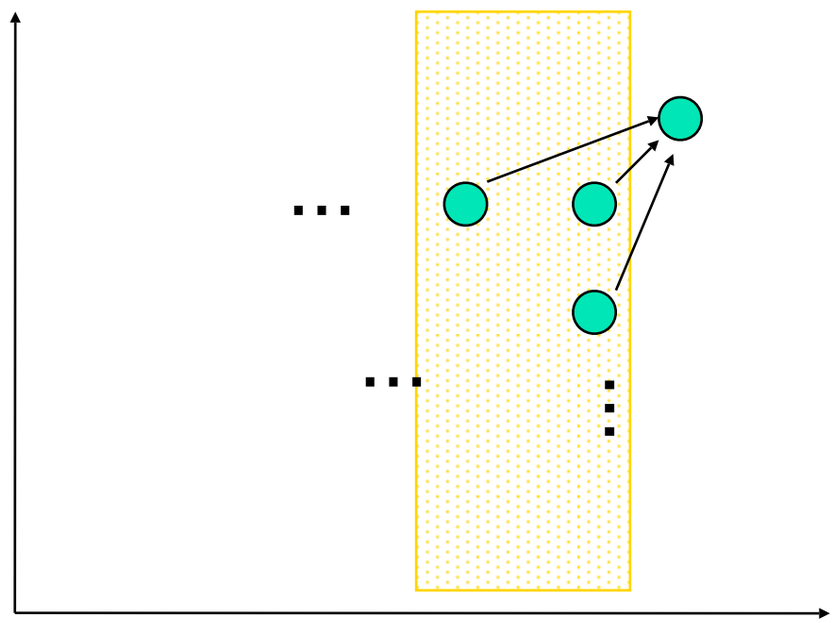


改進方法一

- 改良式dtw
  - 用dtw計算每一首歌的距離時，若發現dtw table最近兩行(column)的最小值超過之前最短距離的前k名，則停止dtw



改進方法二

- 將資料庫中每一首歌的中介格式，從每一個音符為起點切成數個長度為 D=72 的片段

中介格式　(69, 69, 67, 67, 67, 71, 72, ……)

→　片段1　(69, 69, 67, 67, 67, 71, 72, …)

　　片段2　(67, 67, 67, 71, 72, …)

　　片段3　(71, 72, …)

　　……

改進方法二

- 用兩階段的方法比對
  - 第一階段：線性伸縮比對（linear scaling）
    - 將歌聲的中介格式伸縮11次（長度為原來的0.75倍到1.25倍），分別取出前 D 點後為 T_i（1≦i≦11），假設資料庫中的第 j 首歌的中介格式有 n_j 個片段為 R_{jk}（1≦j≦資料庫中的歌曲數目，1 ≦ k ≦ n_j），令 T_i 和 R_{jk} 的距離為

$$dist(T_i, R_{jk}) = \sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^{D} \left((T_{it} - \overline{T_i}) - (R_{jkt} - \overline{R_{jk}}) \right)^2}$$

改進方法二

- 令資料庫第 j 首歌的分數為 $100 - \min_{\substack{1\le i\le 11\\ 1\le k\le n_j}} \frac{dist(T_i, R_{jk})}{D}$，令

$$k' = \arg\min_{\substack{1\le i\le 11\\ 1\le k\le n_j}} dist(T_i, R_{jk})$$

  - 篩選出前 n=200 首分數最高者做第二階段的比對
  - 缺點：每和資料庫中第 j 首歌做比對就要計算n_j*11次距離

- 第二階段：dynamic time warping
  - 將篩選後的每一首歌的最接近片段平移音調4次，總共和歌聲原本的中介格式計算5次距離，找出最小值並轉換成分數，當成資料庫該首歌最後的分數

針對全曲比對的加速方法

- 用兩階段式比對
- 在第一階段將資料庫歌曲的每一個片段看成一個 D 度空間中的資料點，歌聲伸縮後的中介格式則是空間中的查詢點，利用快速找最近鄰居的方法找出每首歌最接近的片段
  - Vantage-point tree
  - Branch-and-bound tree
  - Equal-average hyperplane partitioning method

Vantage-Point Tree

- 將資料點建立成一個平衡的二元樹，利用距離滿足三角不等式的關係，可以減少計算查詢點到資料點的距離的次數
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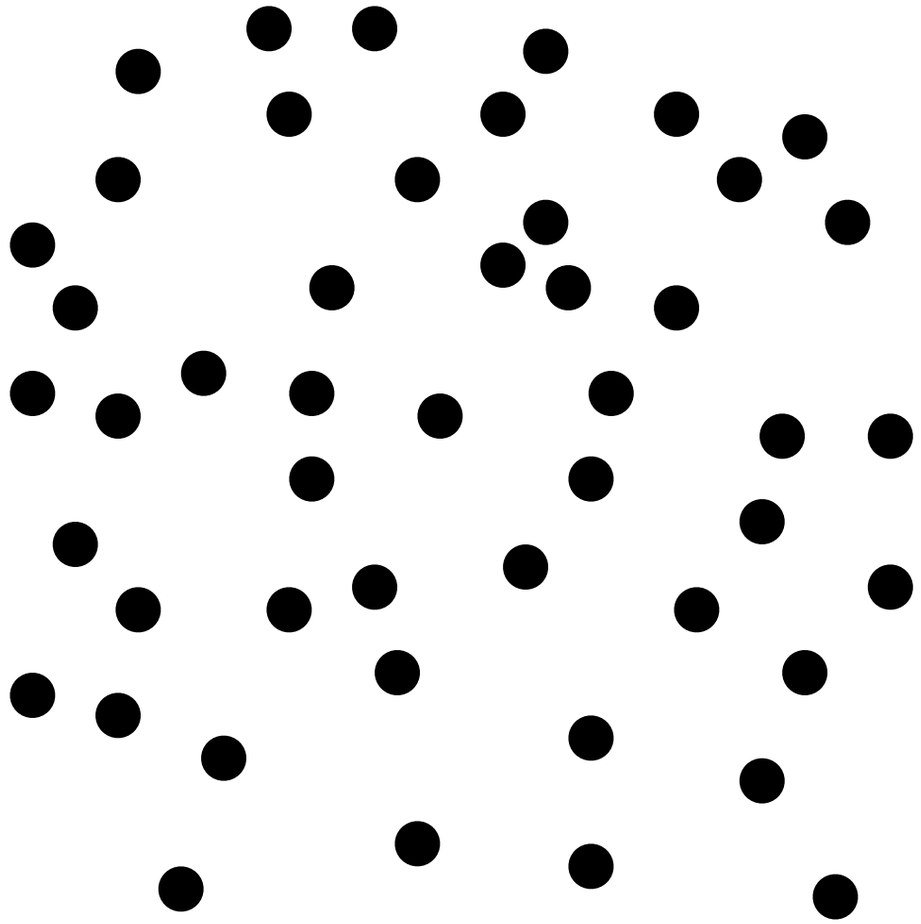

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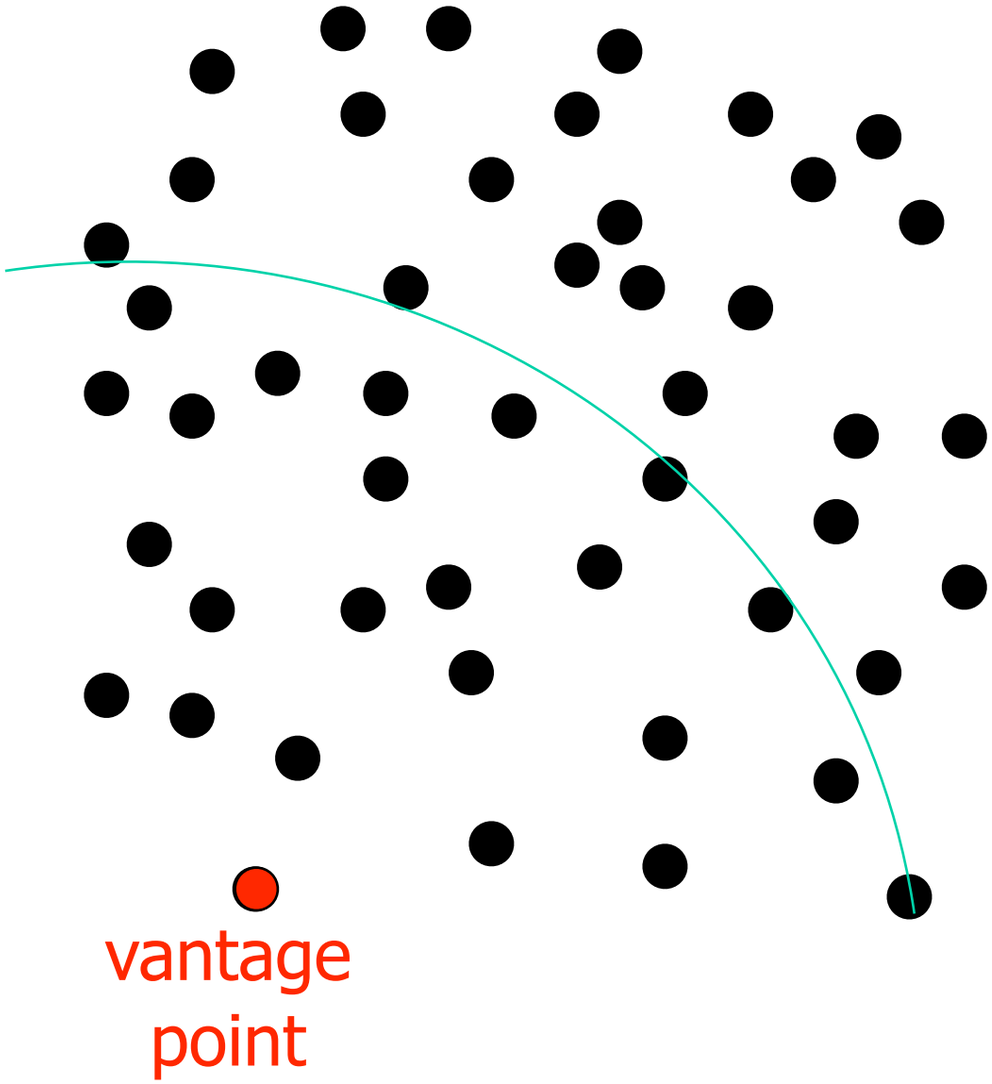

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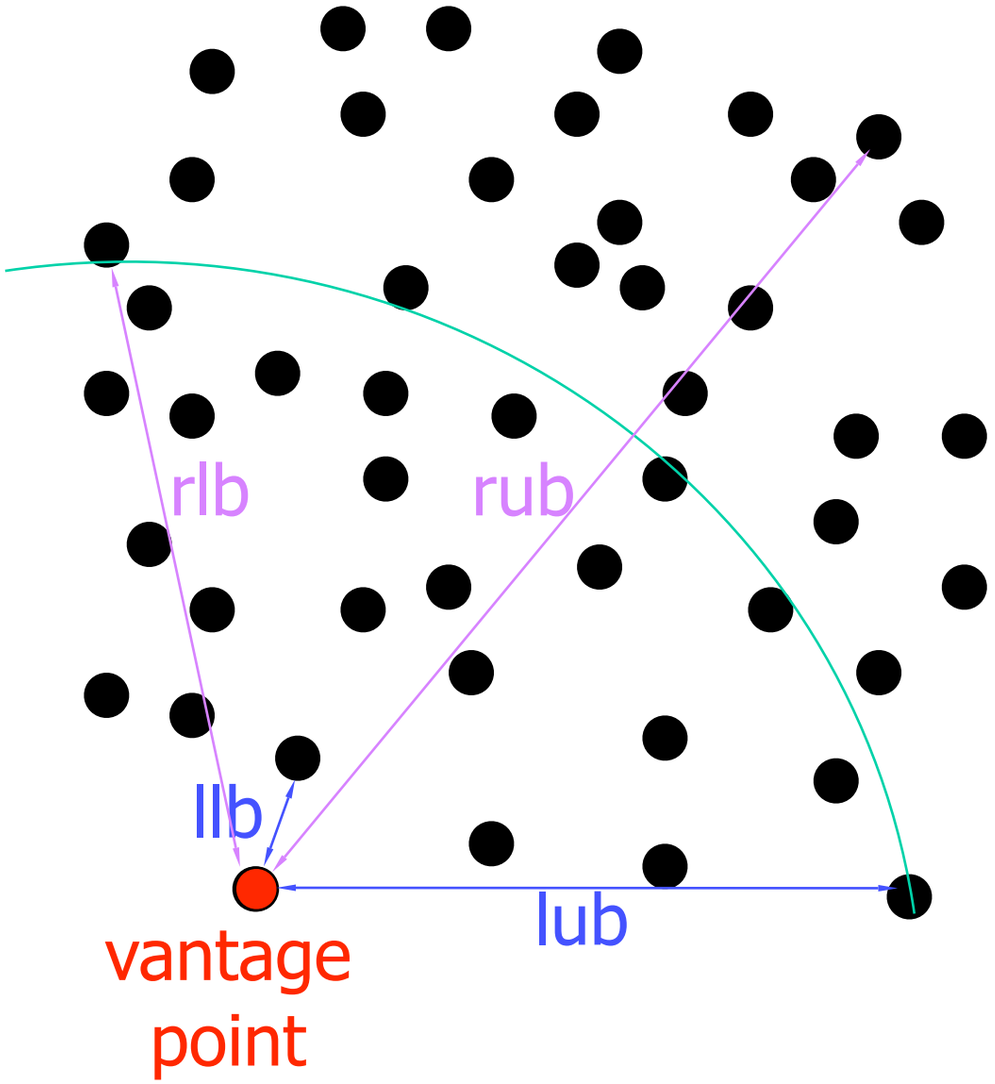

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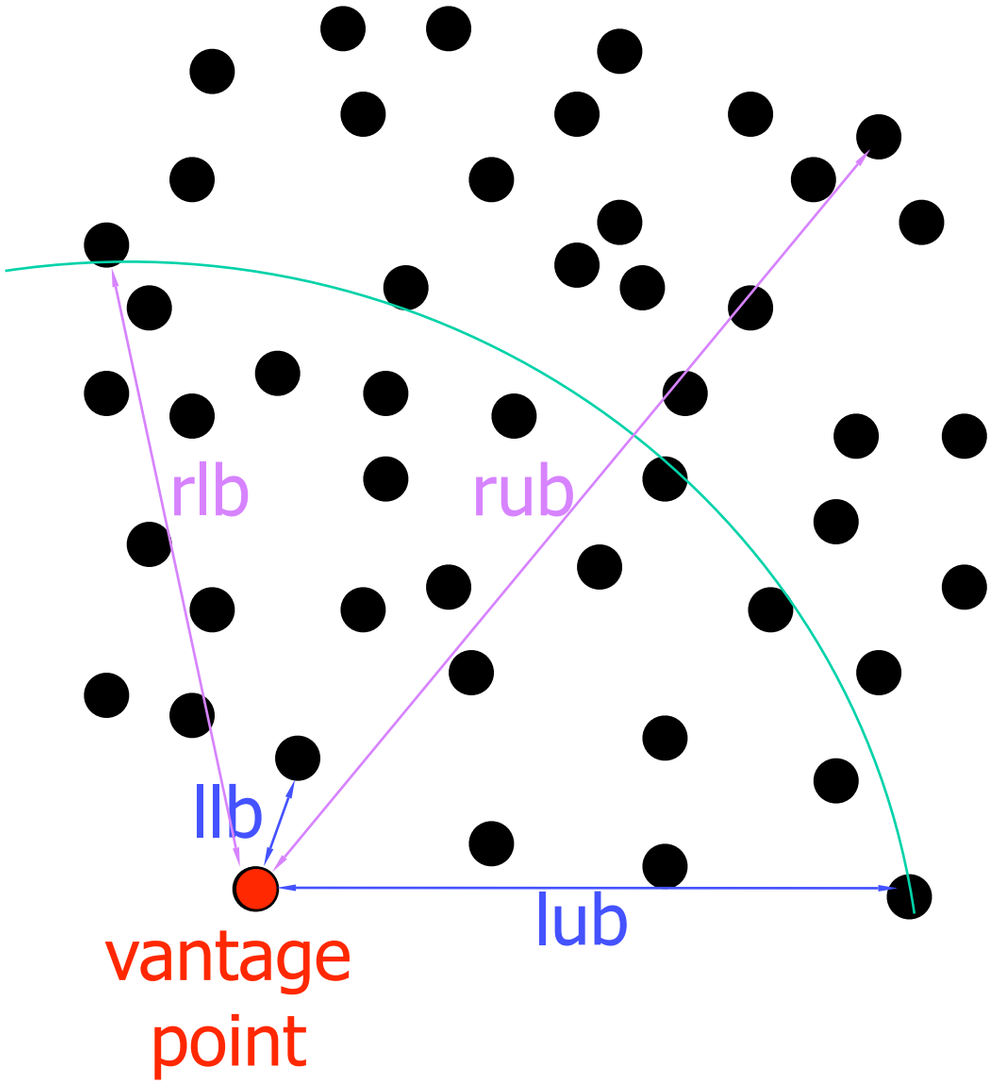

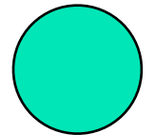

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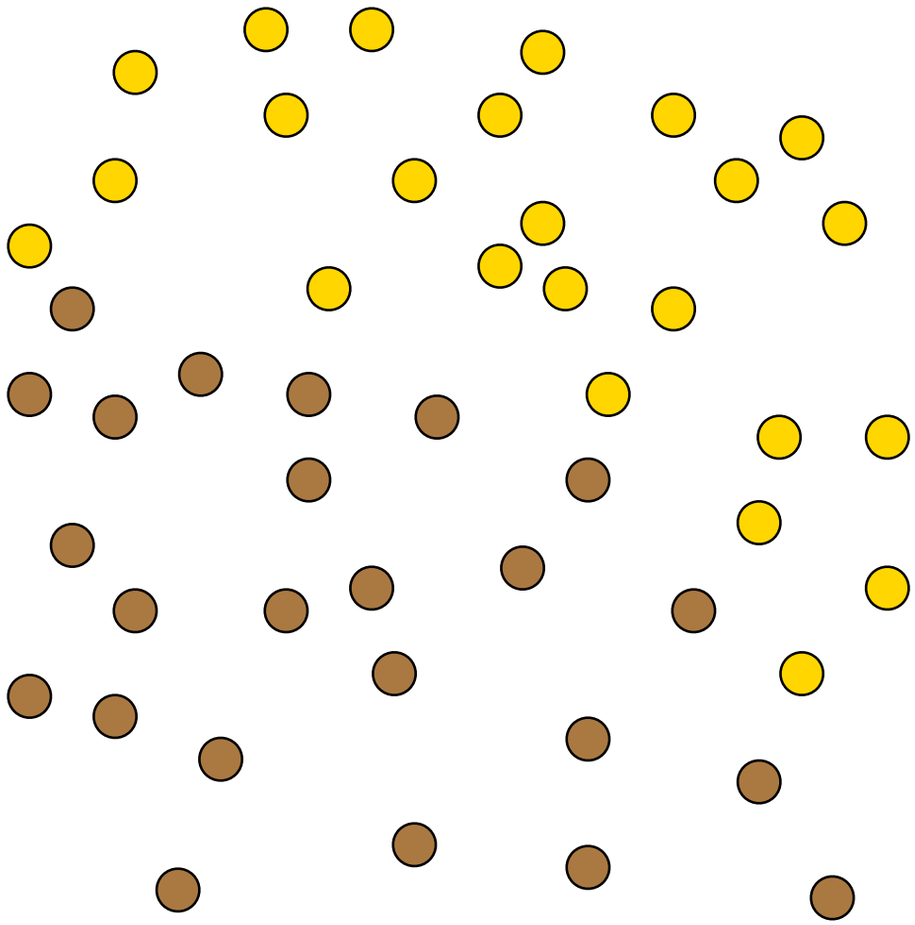

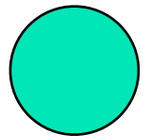

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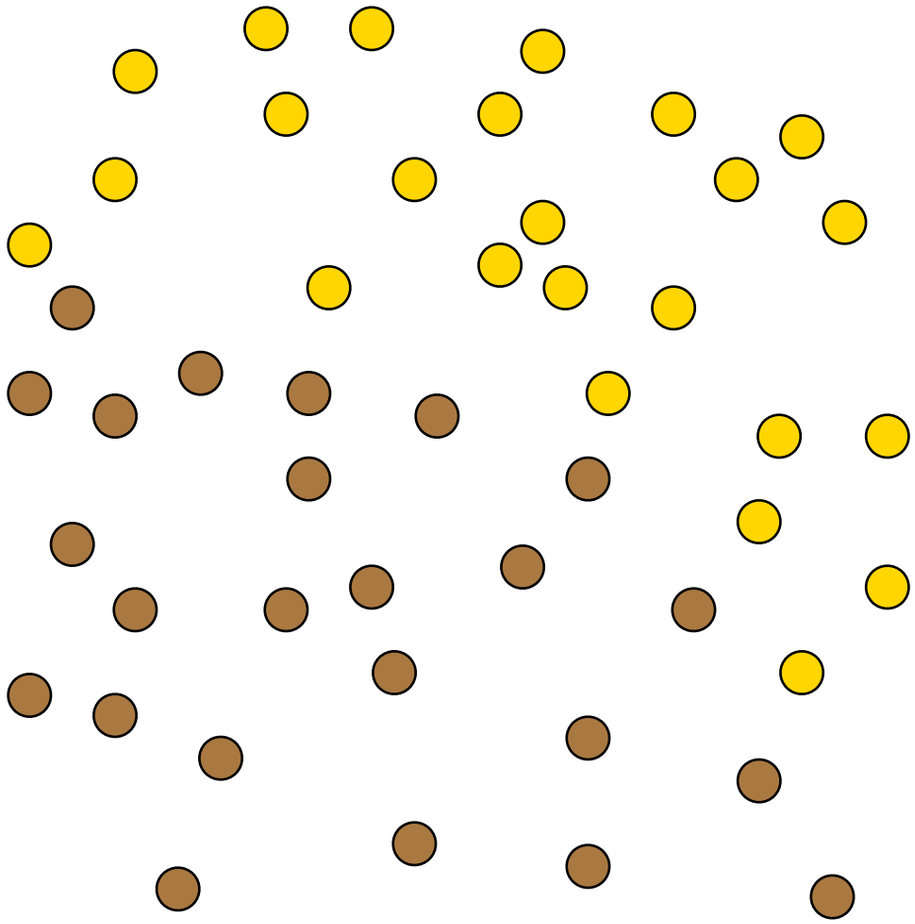

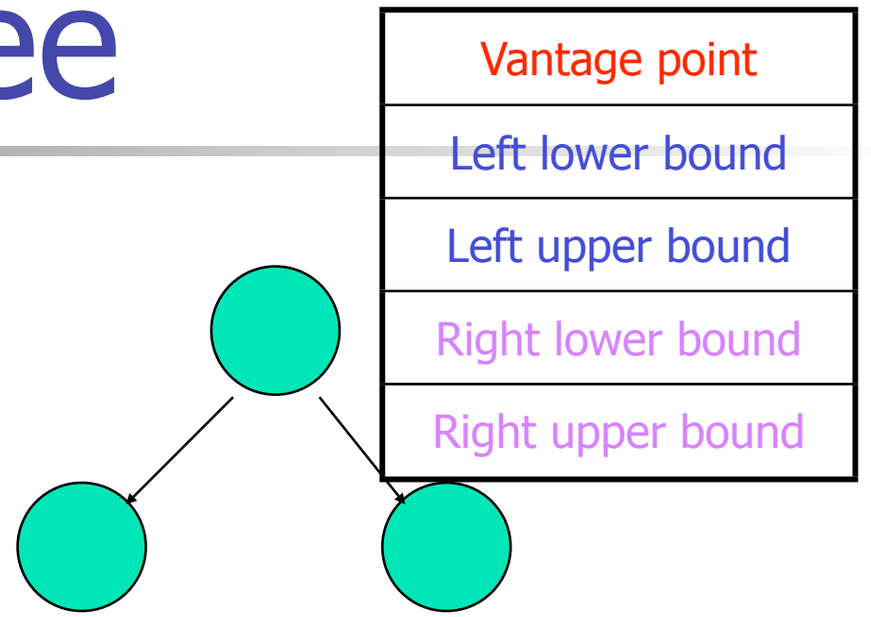

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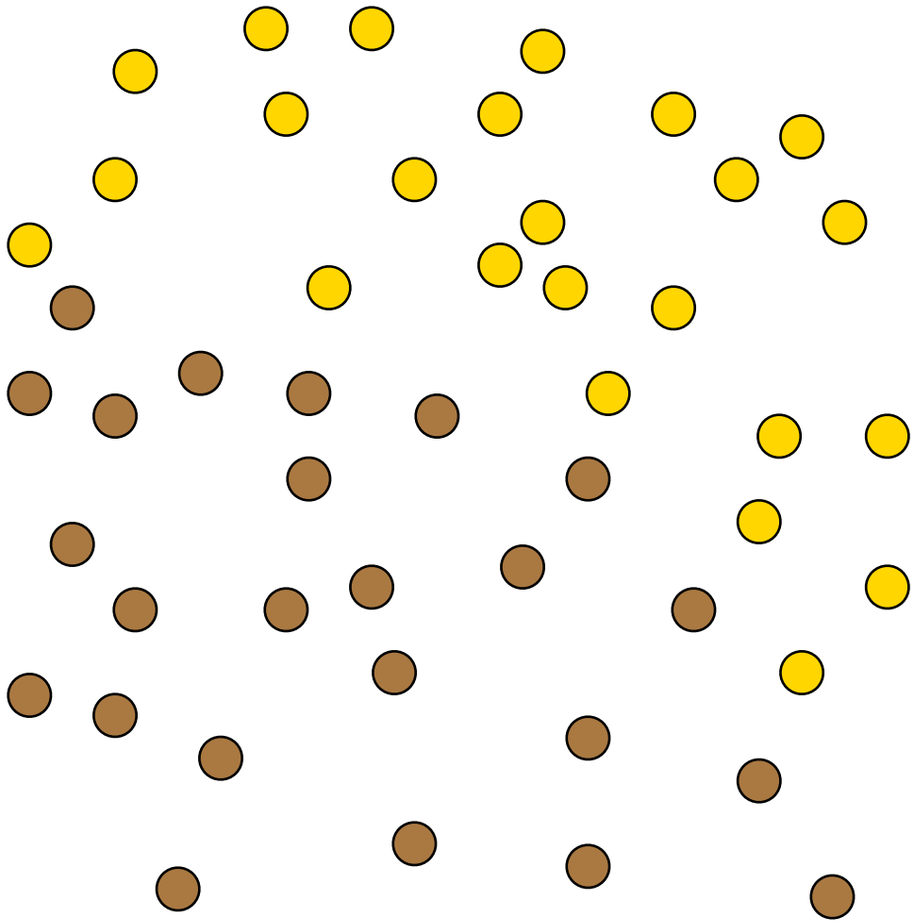

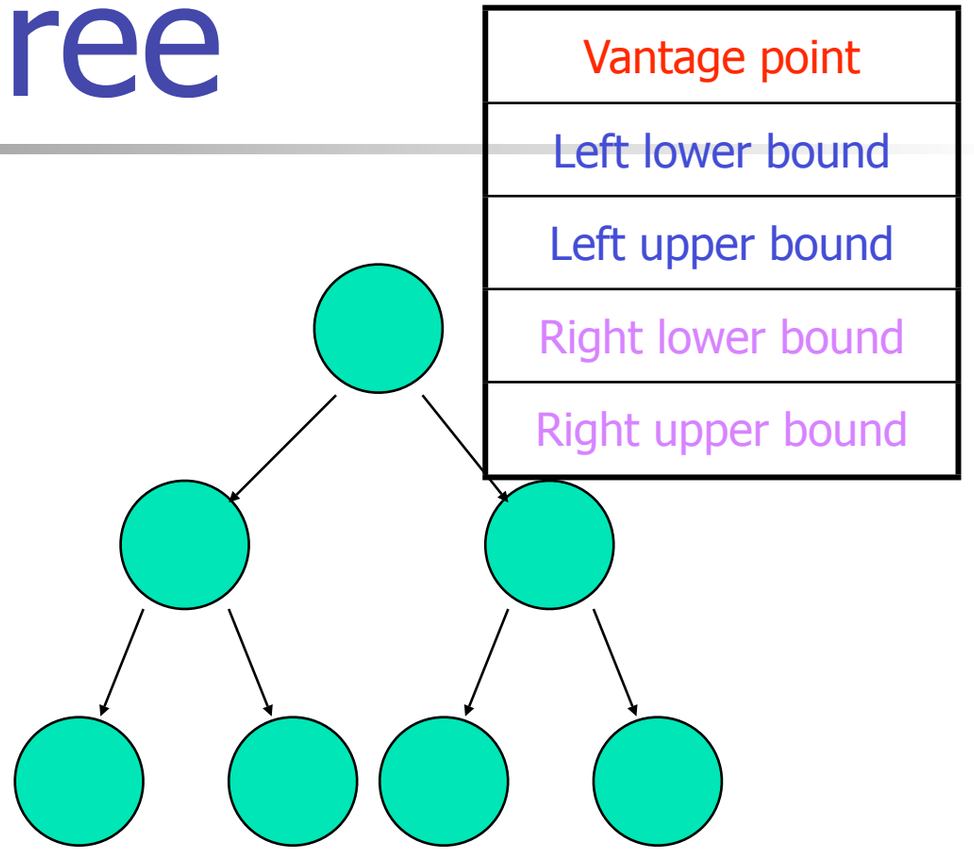

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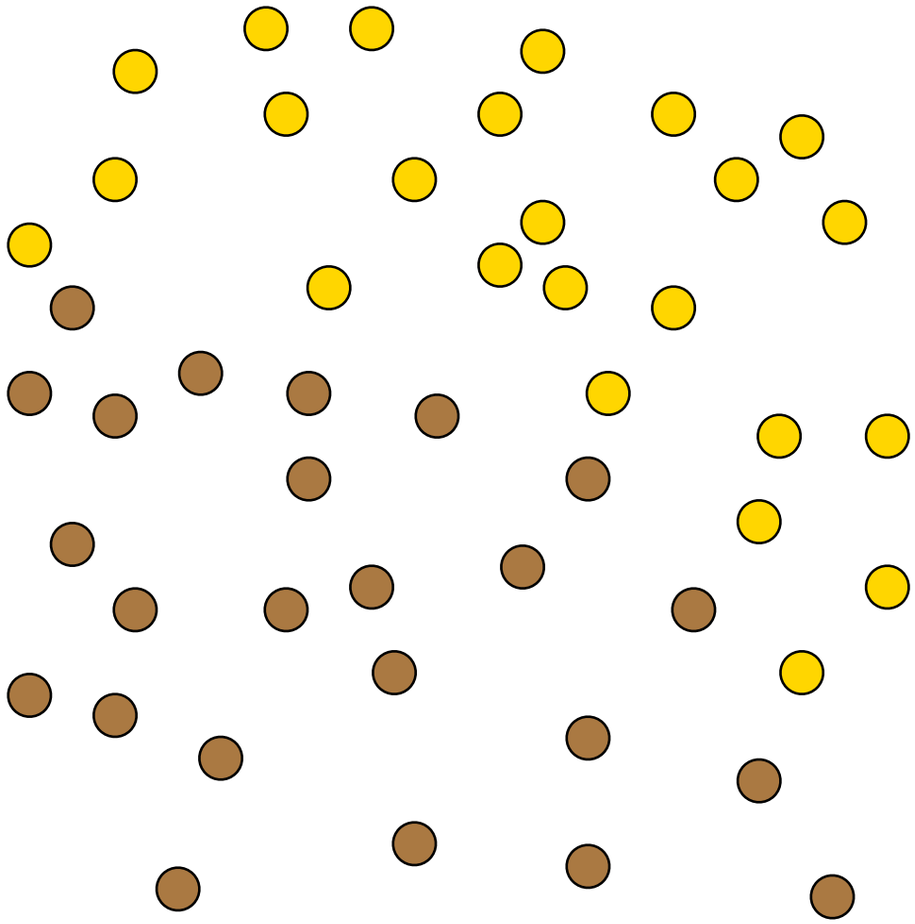

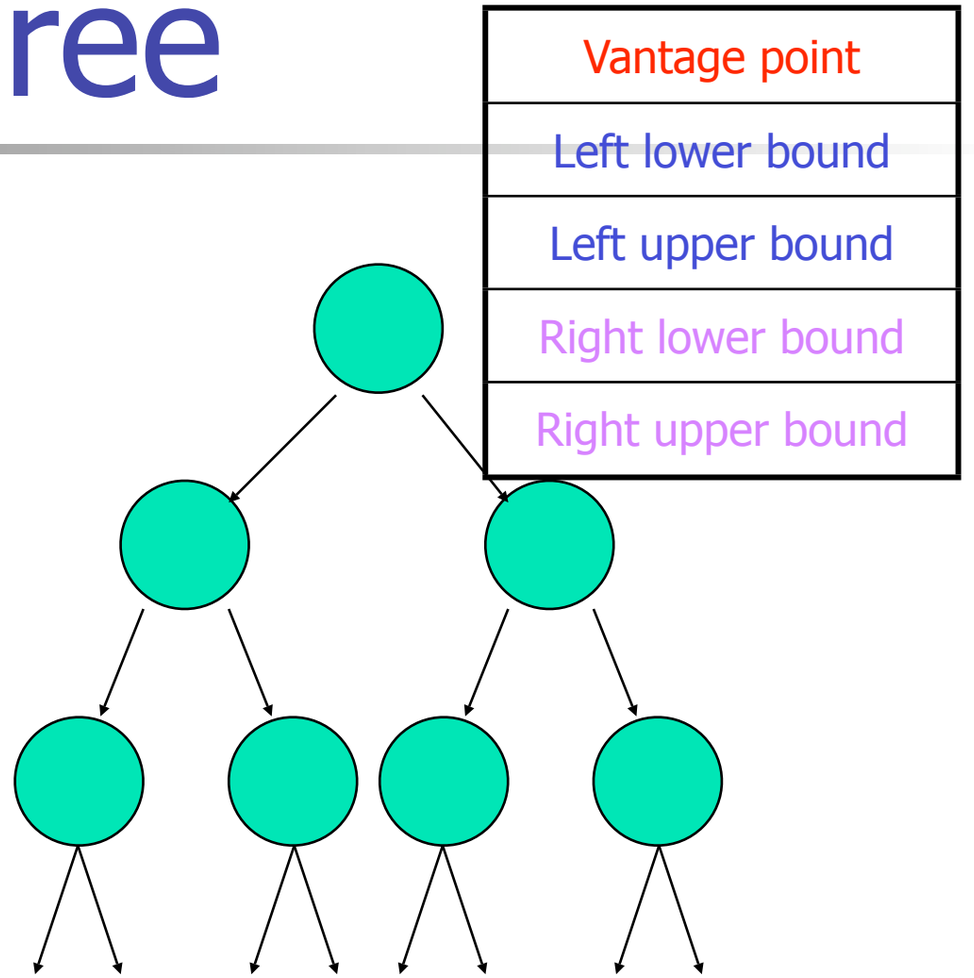

Branch-and-Bound Tree

- 原理類似vantage-point tree，將資料點建立成一個多元樹，利用距離滿足三角不等式的關係，可以減少計算查詢點到資料點的距離的次數
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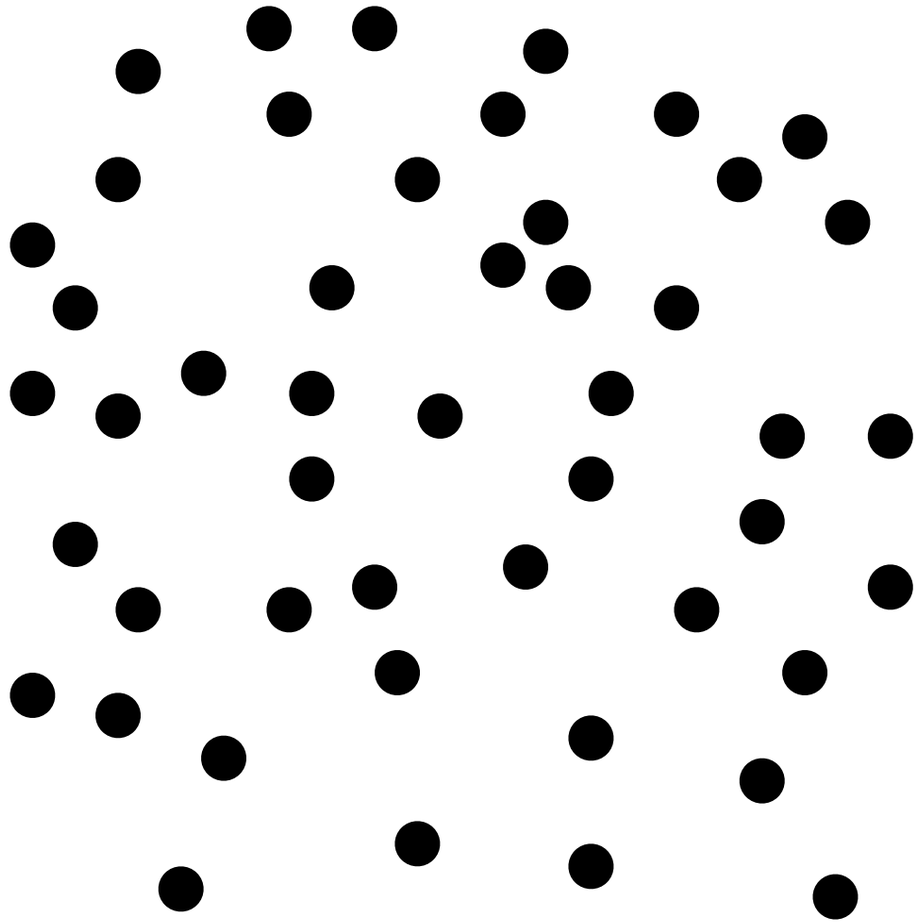

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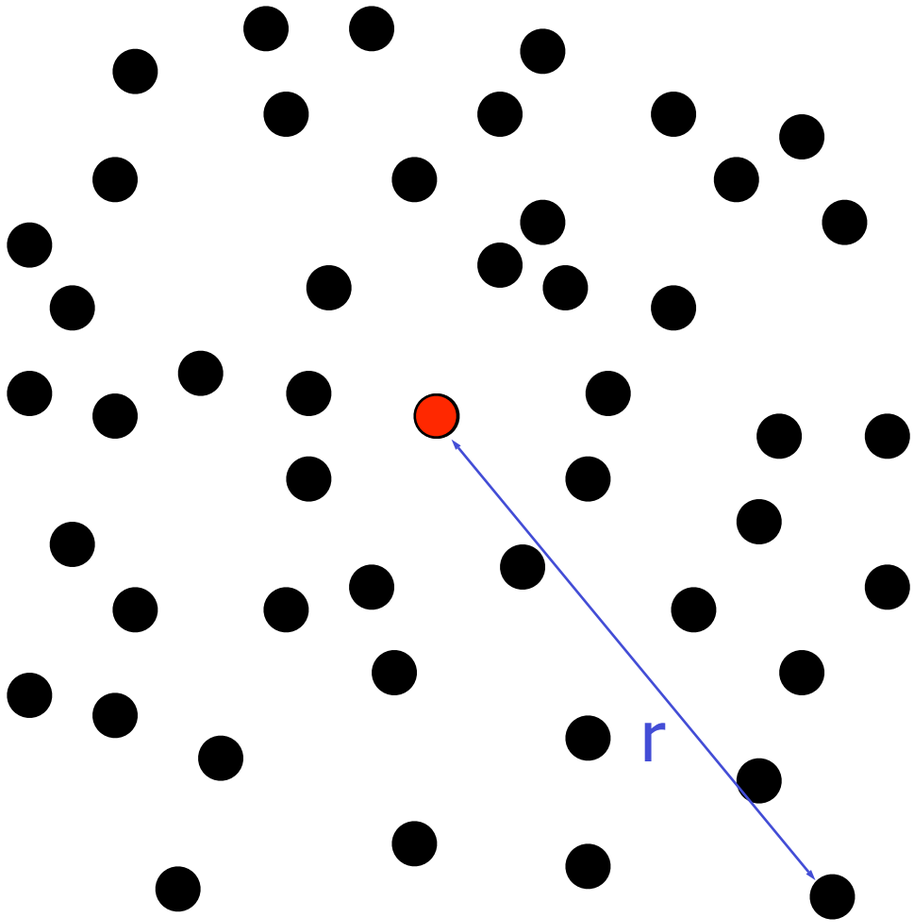

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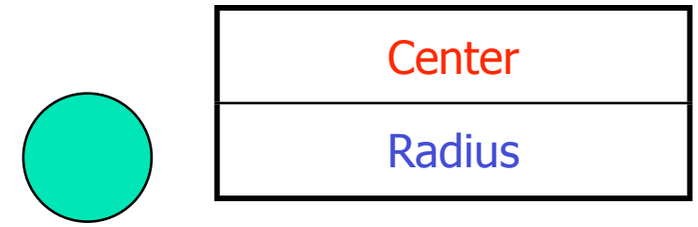

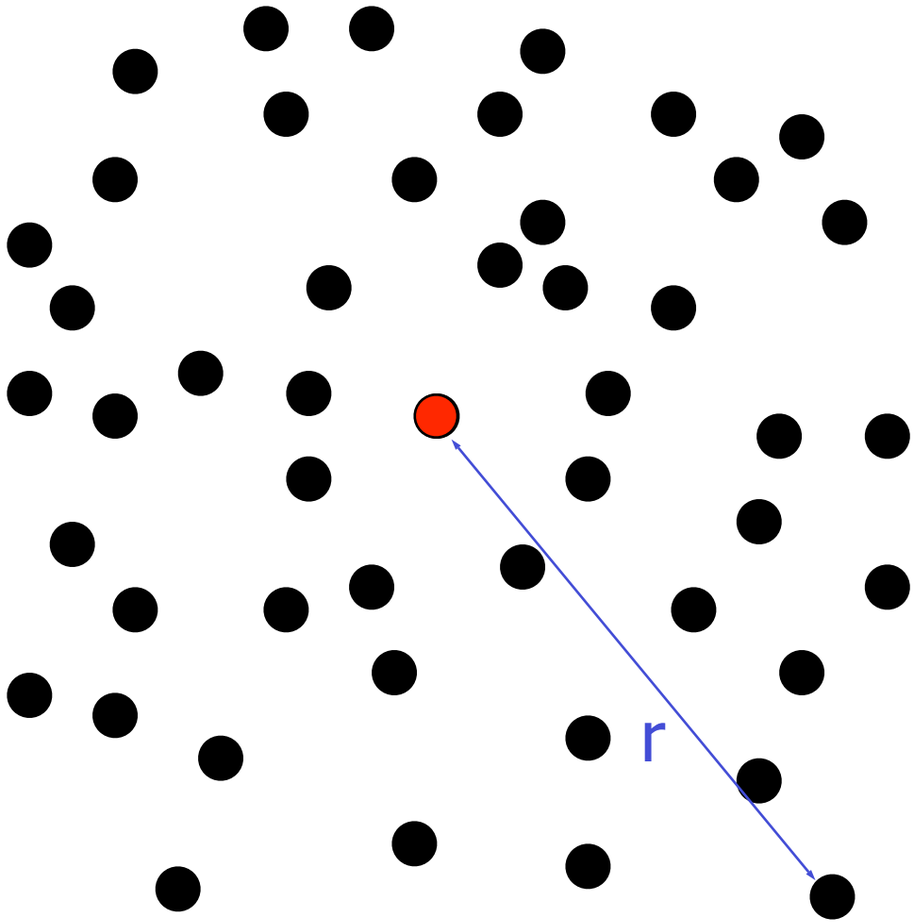

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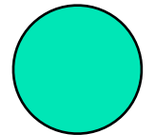

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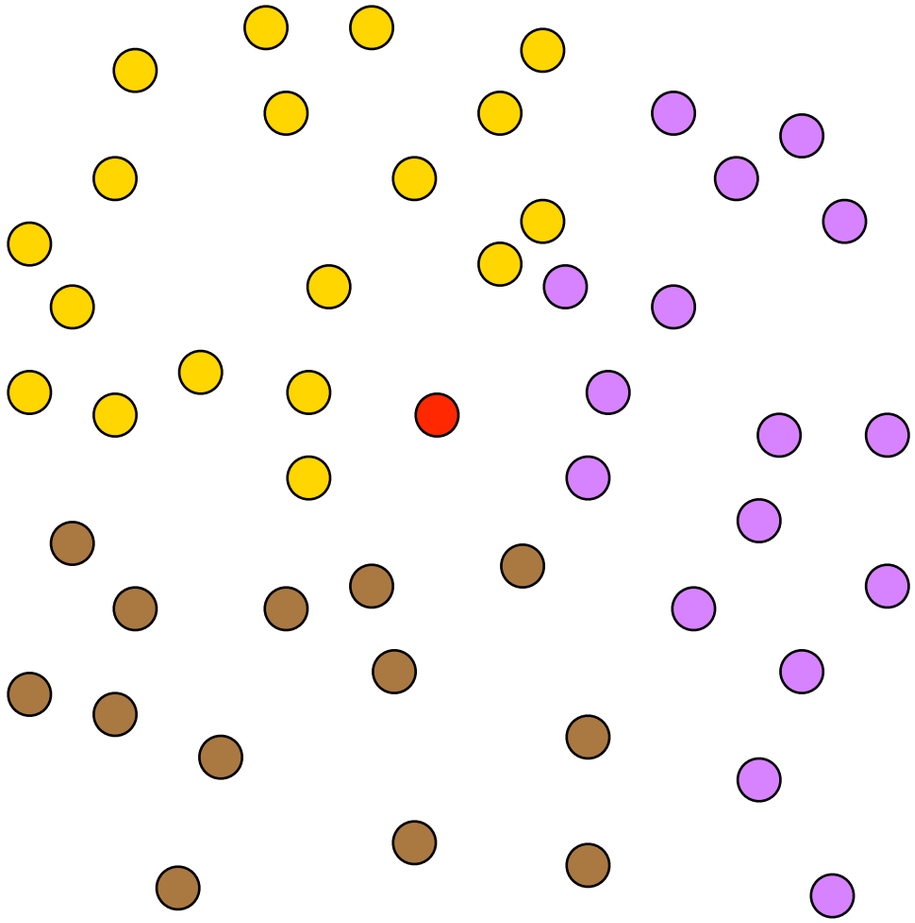

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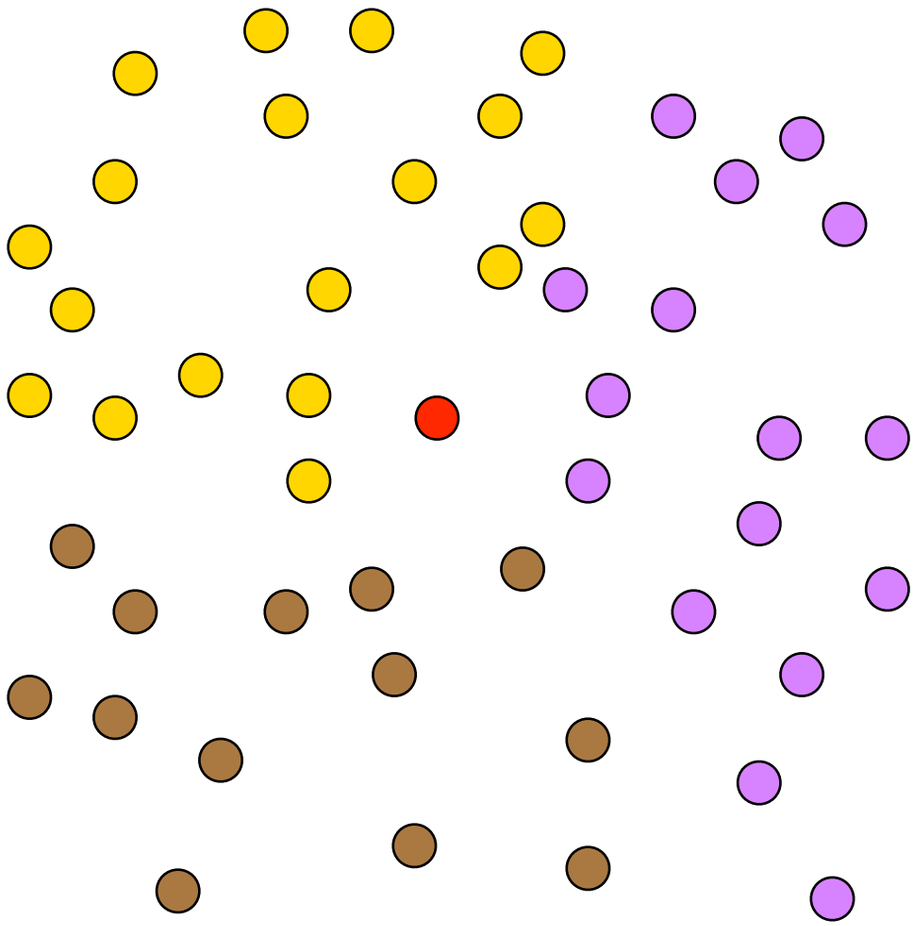

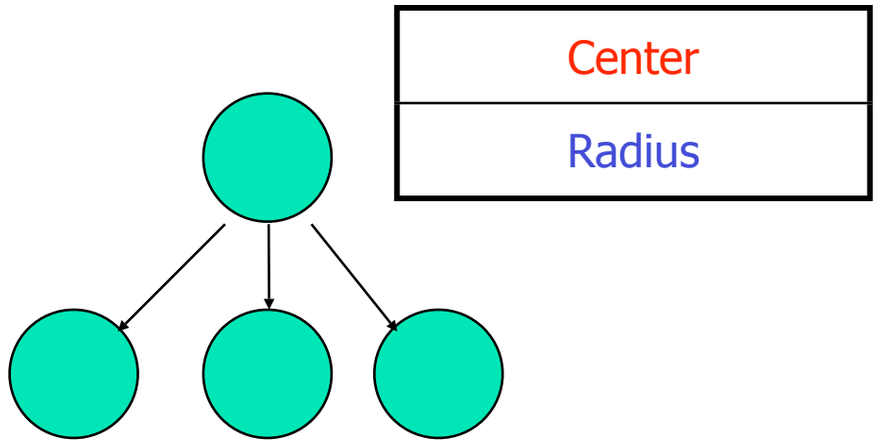

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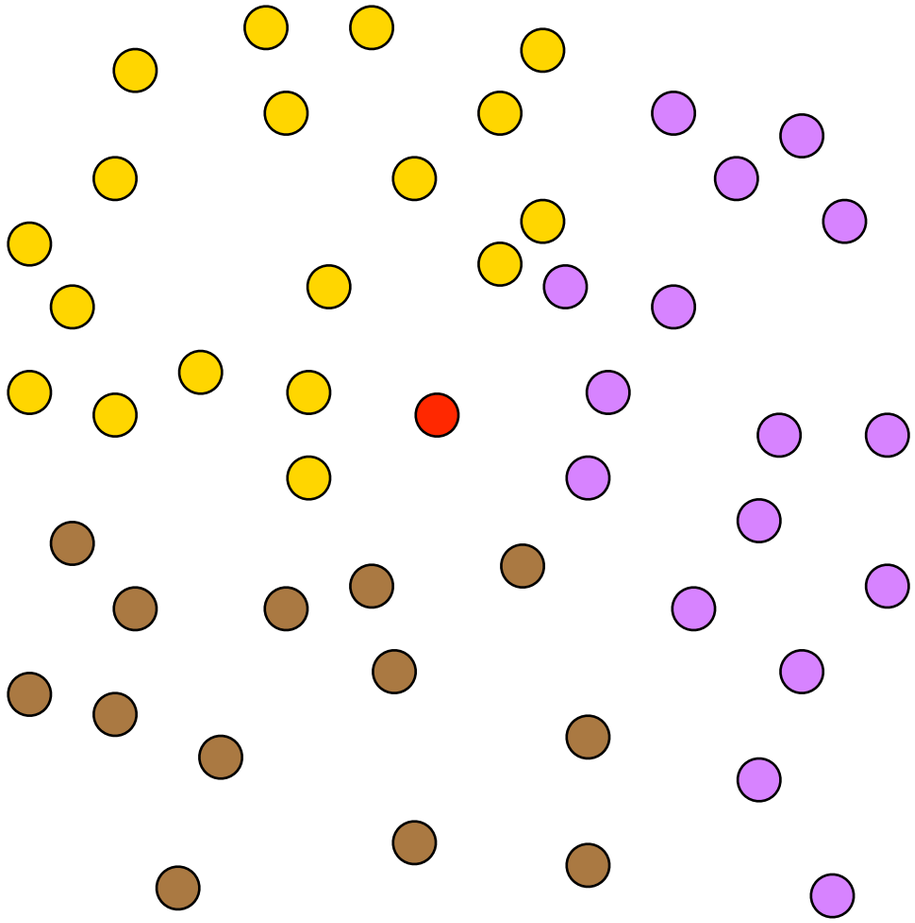
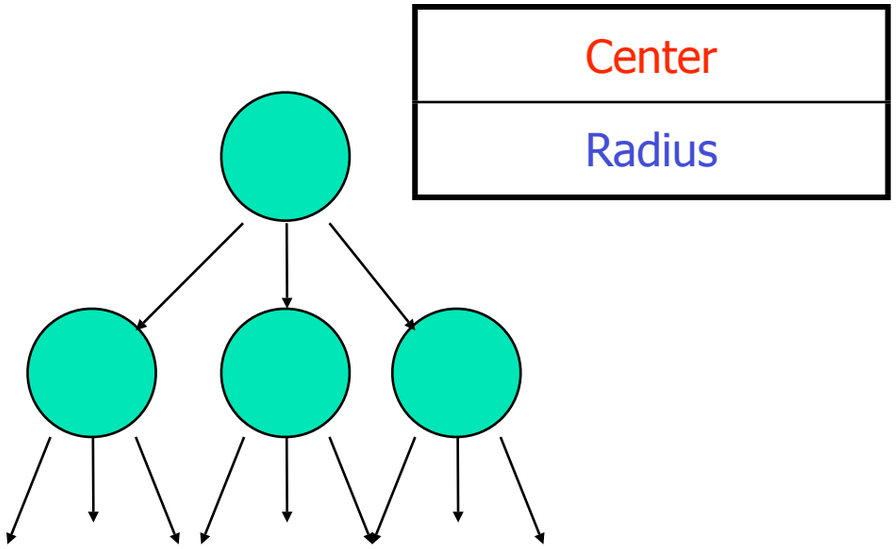


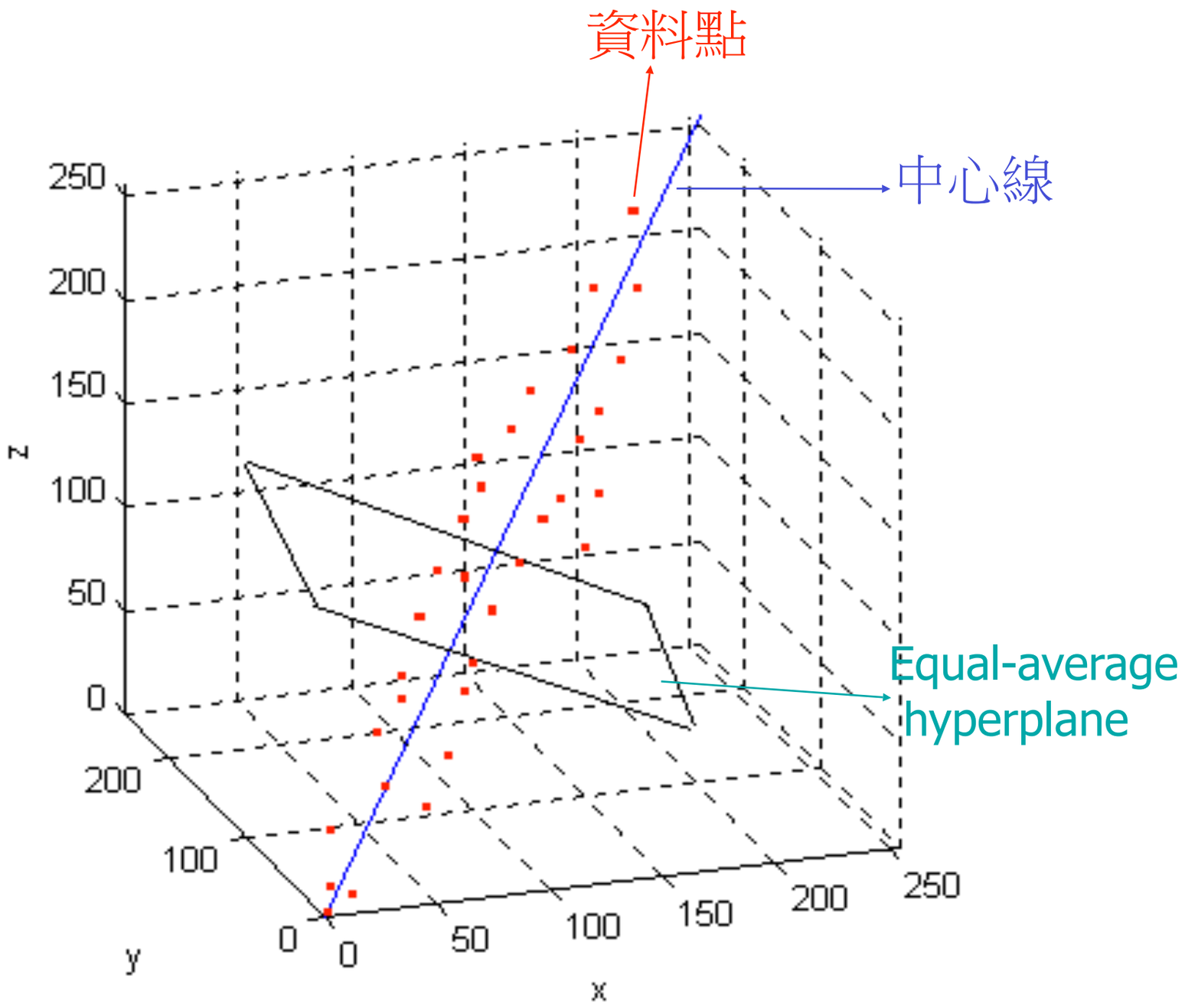


Equal-average Hyperplane Partitioning Method

- 讓資料點沿一直線分散開來，事先算出每一個資料點投影到直線上的位置。利用兩資料點間的距離會大於或等於這兩點投影到該直線上的距離的關係，可以減少計算查詢點到資料點的距離的次數
  - 優點：實作容易，省記憶體
  - 缺點：使用時機較狹隘

Equal-average Hyperplane Partitioning Method

- 中心線 L 是一條通過原點和 (1, 1, 1, ..., 1) 的直線
- Equal-average hyperplane是和 L 垂直的面



Equal-average Hyperplane Partitioning Method

- 假設 a=(s, s, …, s) 為 L 上的一個點
- 則和 L 相交於 a 點的 equal-average hyperplane 其方程式為

$$H(x) = s\sum_{i=1}^{D} x_i - Ds^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s = \frac{1}{D}\sum_{i=1}^{D} x_i \quad \leftarrow \text{座標平均值}$$

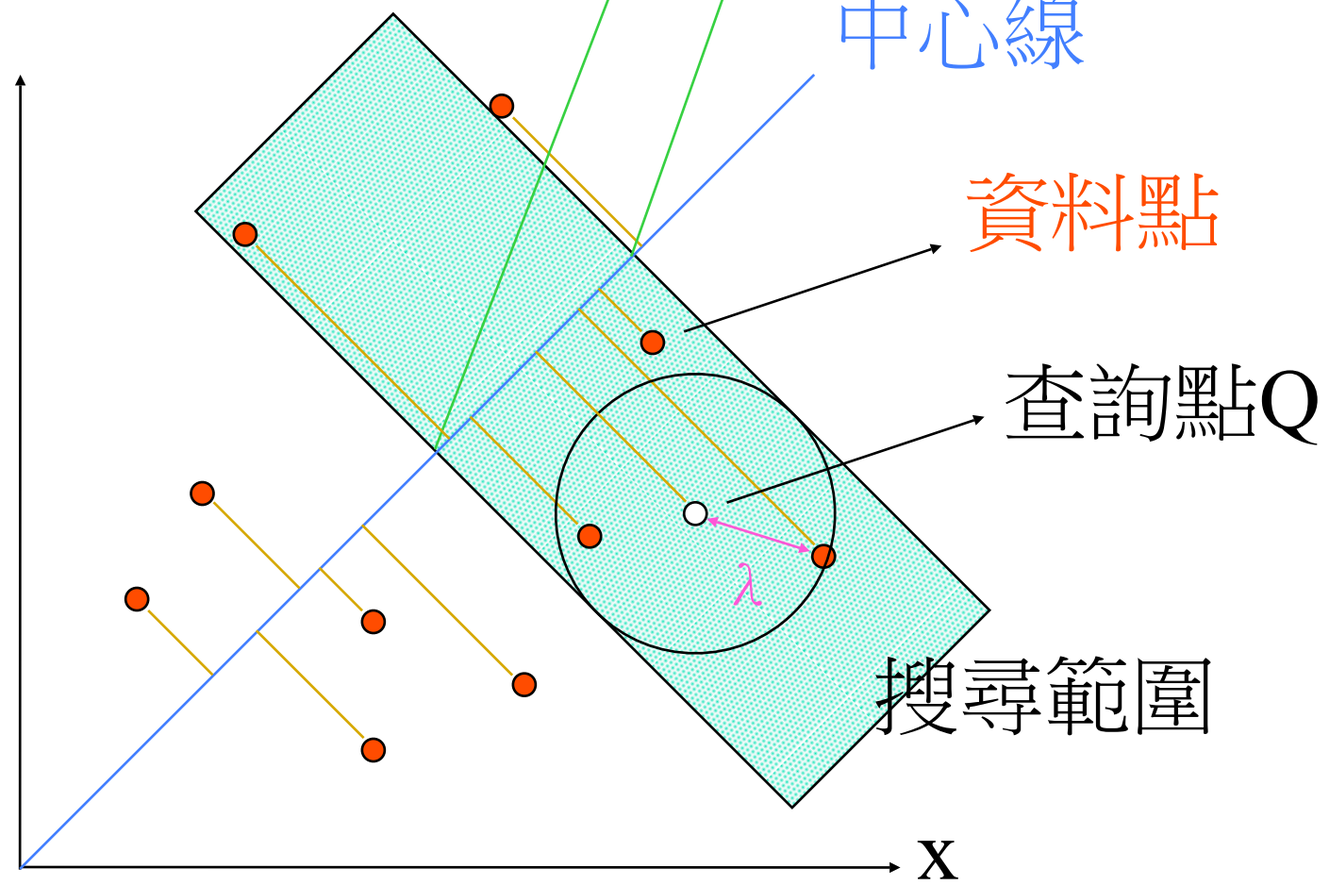
- 座標平均值相同的點會落在同一個equal-average hyperplane

Equal-average Hyperplane Partitioning Method

- 座標平均值落在$[S_{min}, S_{max}]$之外的點不可能是最近鄰居

$$s_{min} = \frac{1}{D}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{D} q_i\right) - \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{D}}$$

$$s_{max} = \frac{1}{D}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{D} q_i\right) + \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{D}}$$

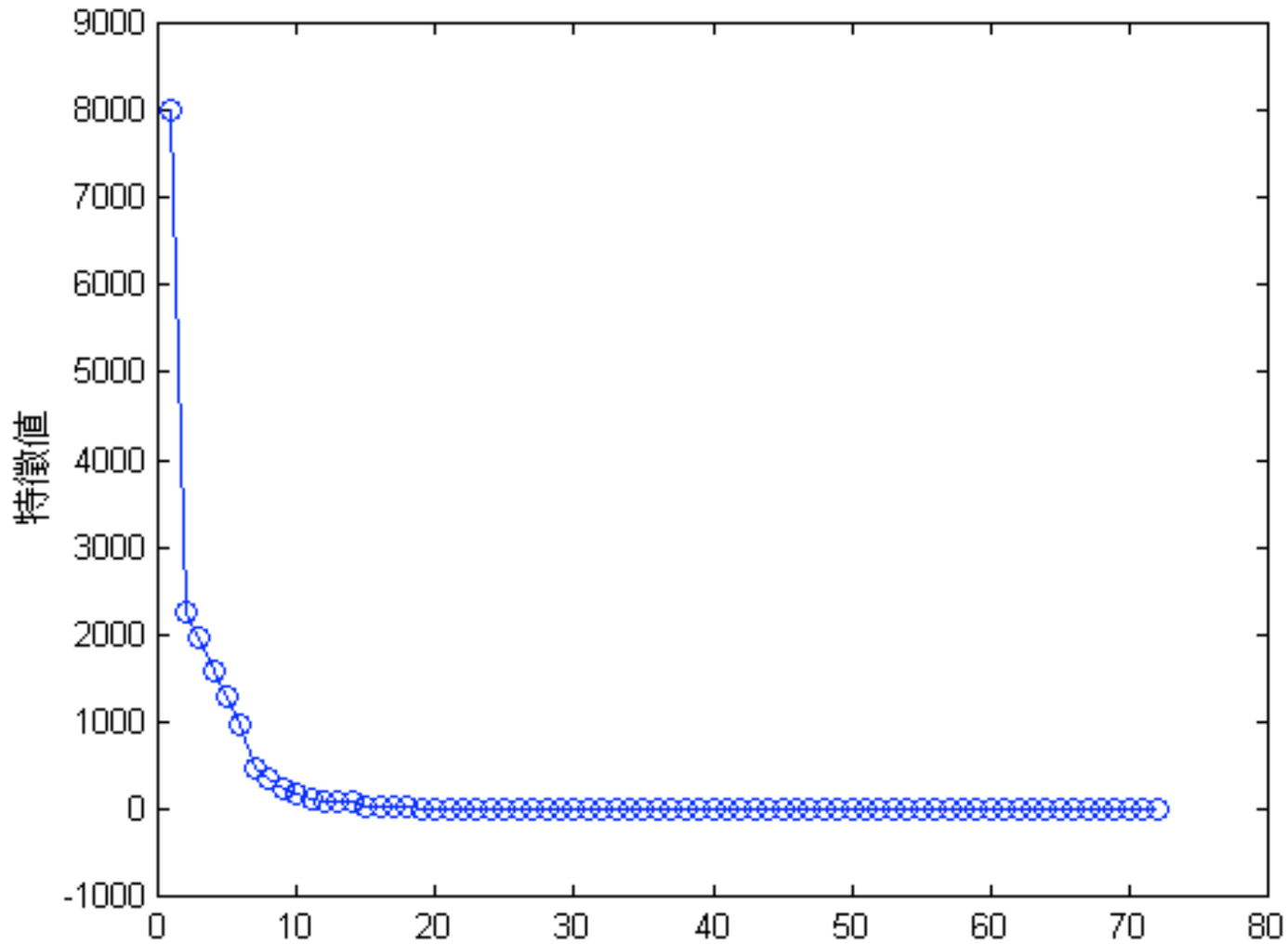


Equal-average Hyperplane Partitioning Method

- 因為我們將每個資料點平移到平均值為0，所以必須另外找一條直線 L 代替原本的中心線
  - 用 principal component analysis 找出 L
    - 令 M 矩陣的每一列為資料點R_{jk}的座標
    - 求出 M^TM 的eigenvalue和eigenvector
    - 對應到最大eigenvalue的eigenvector即為所求
  - 用 $\frac{R_{jk} \times L}{\sqrt{D}}$代替座標平均值

Equal-average Hyperplane Partitioning Method

- 資料庫中某一首歌曲有25個片段，每個片段長度為72
- 用PCA找出來的72個特徵值從大到小排序



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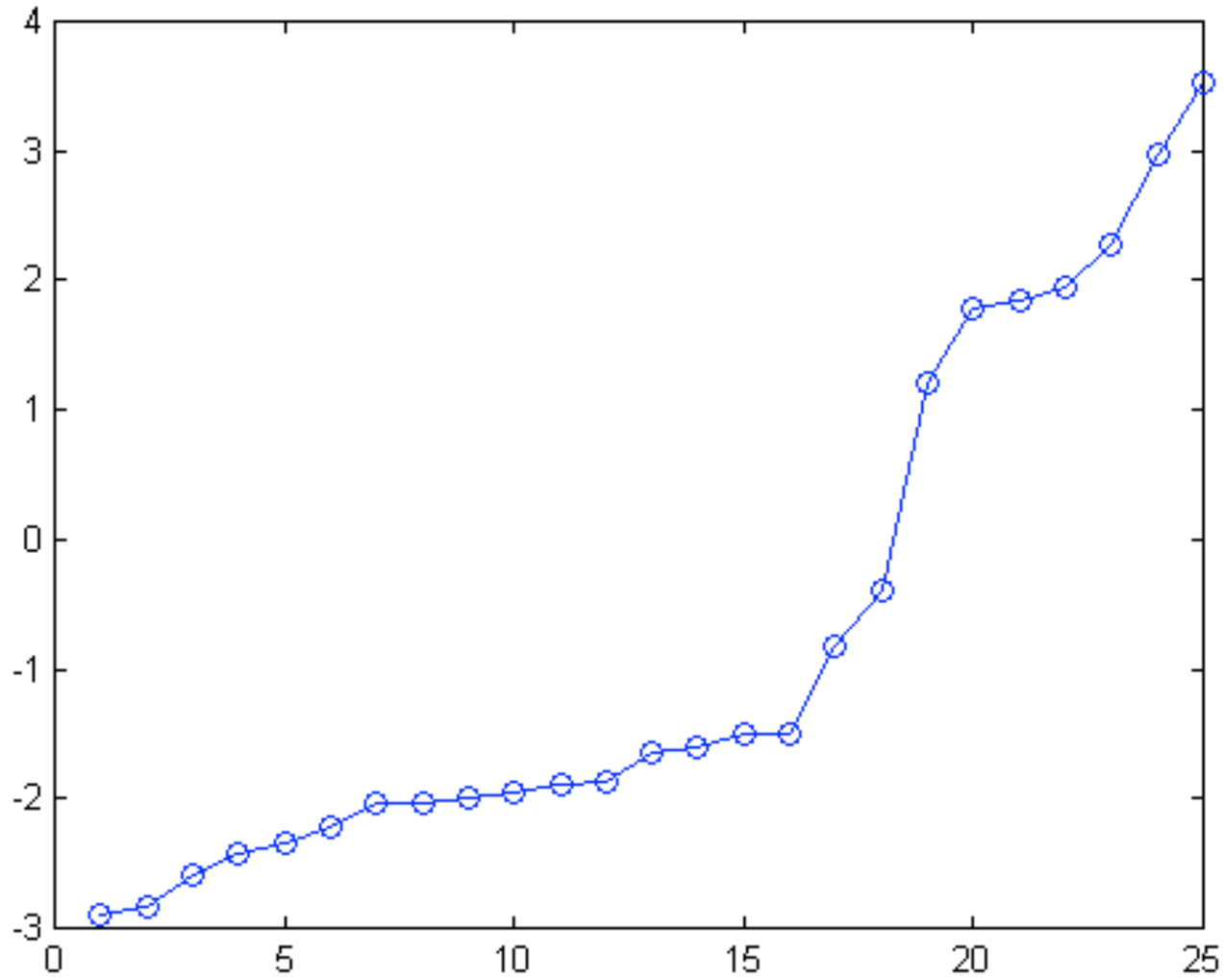

Equal-average Hyperplane Partitioning Method

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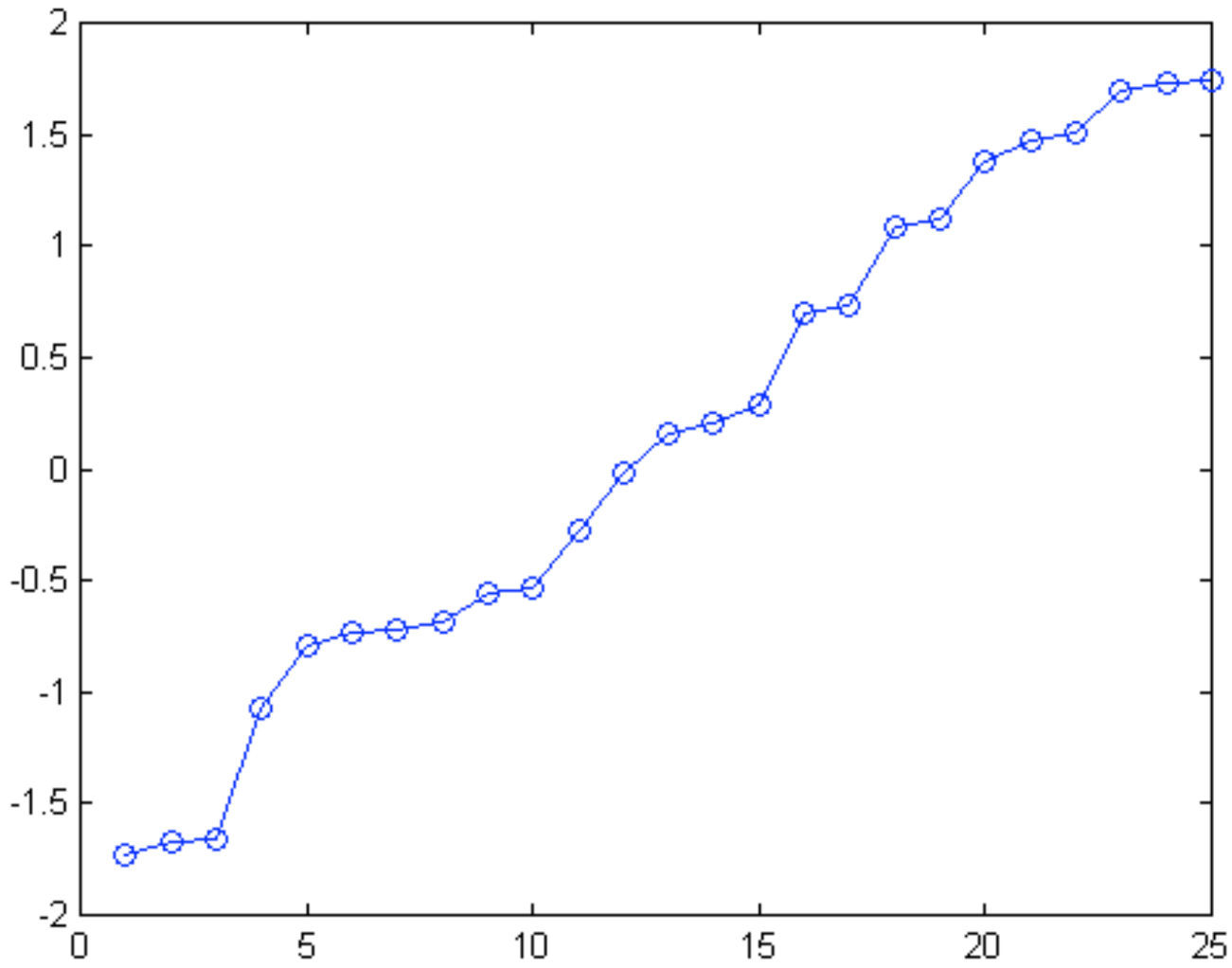
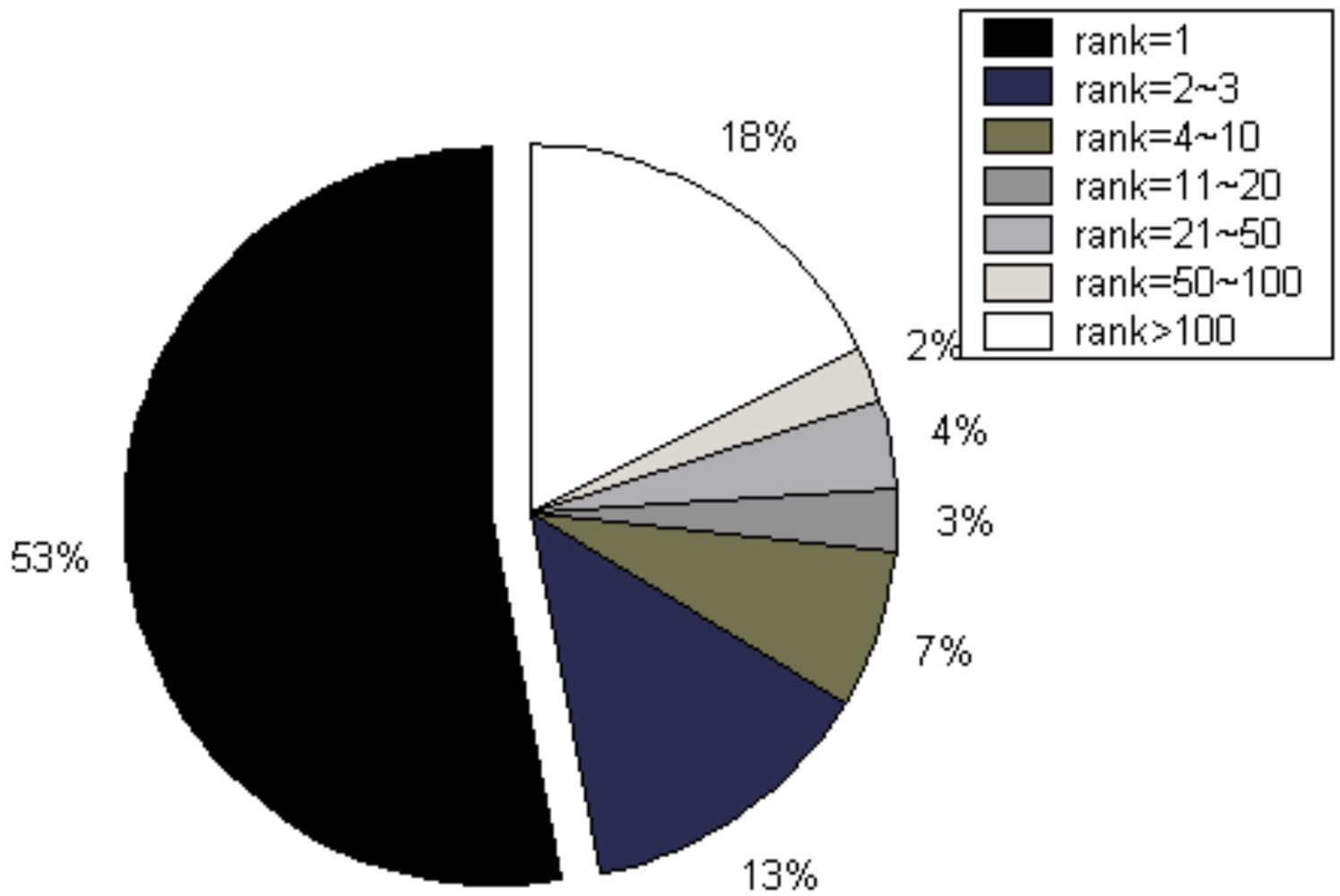


實驗結果

- 實驗環境
  - 電腦 PⅢ 800，256MB RAM，Windows 2000
  - 資料庫
    - 8552首，包括中文、台語、英文和日文歌曲
- 測試歌聲wav檔
  - 從頭唱 1054 首
  - 從任意處唱 1650 首
  - 每一首長 8 秒鐘

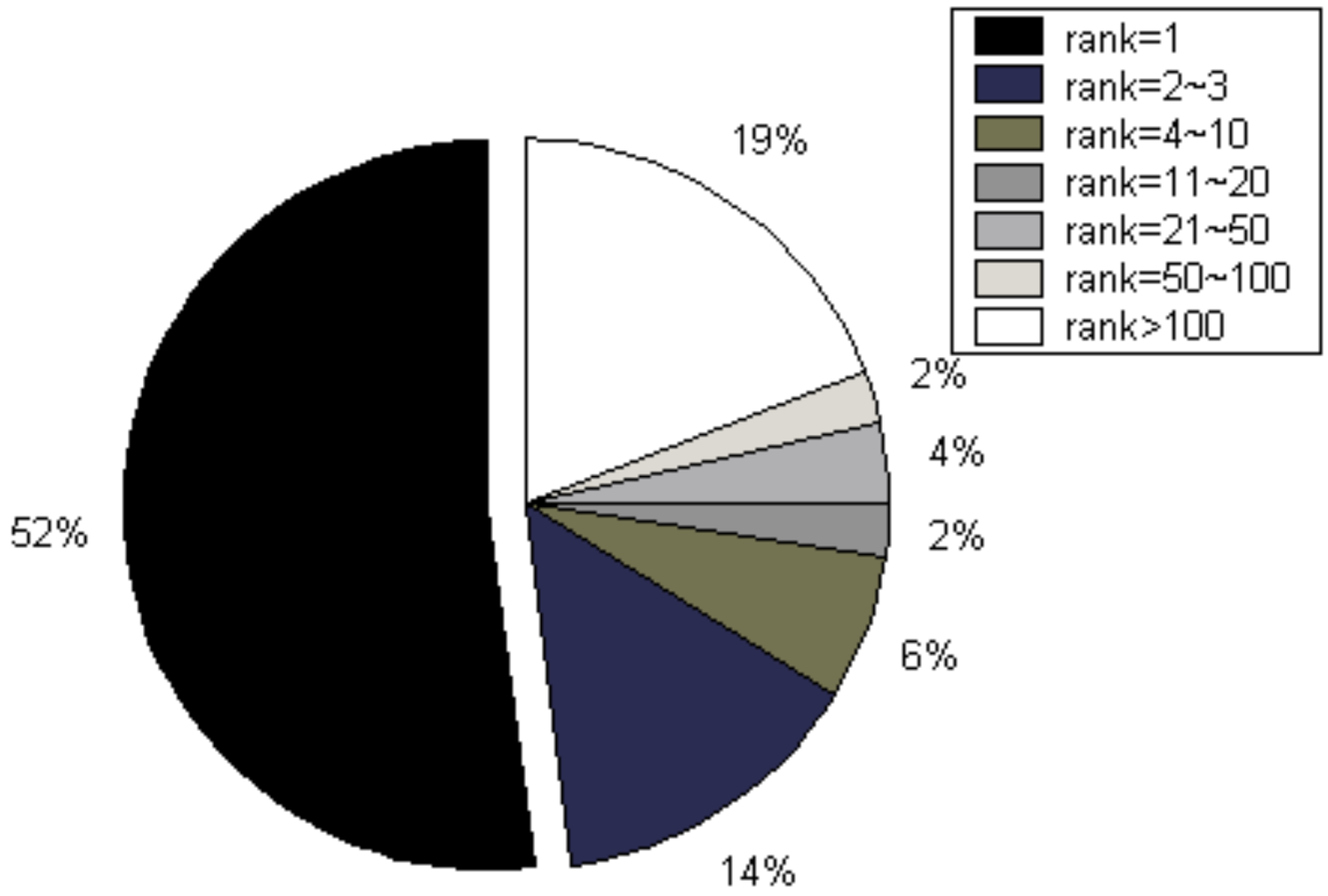
實驗結果—從頭比對

- 只用dtw
- 前三名66.41%
- 平均搜尋時間16.71秒



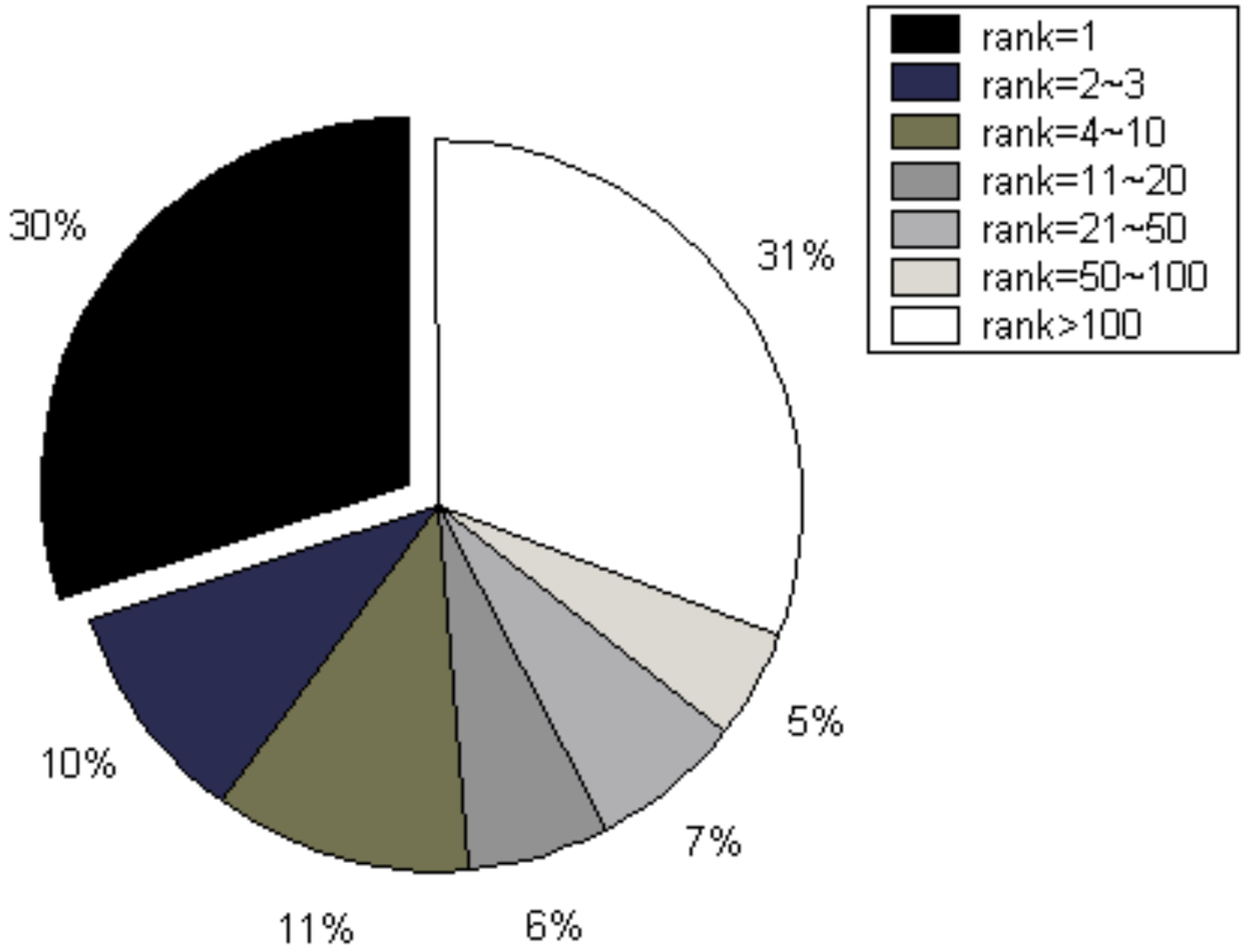
實驗結果—從頭比對

- 只用改良式dtw，保留100名距離
- 前三名66.13%
- 平均搜尋時間6.96秒



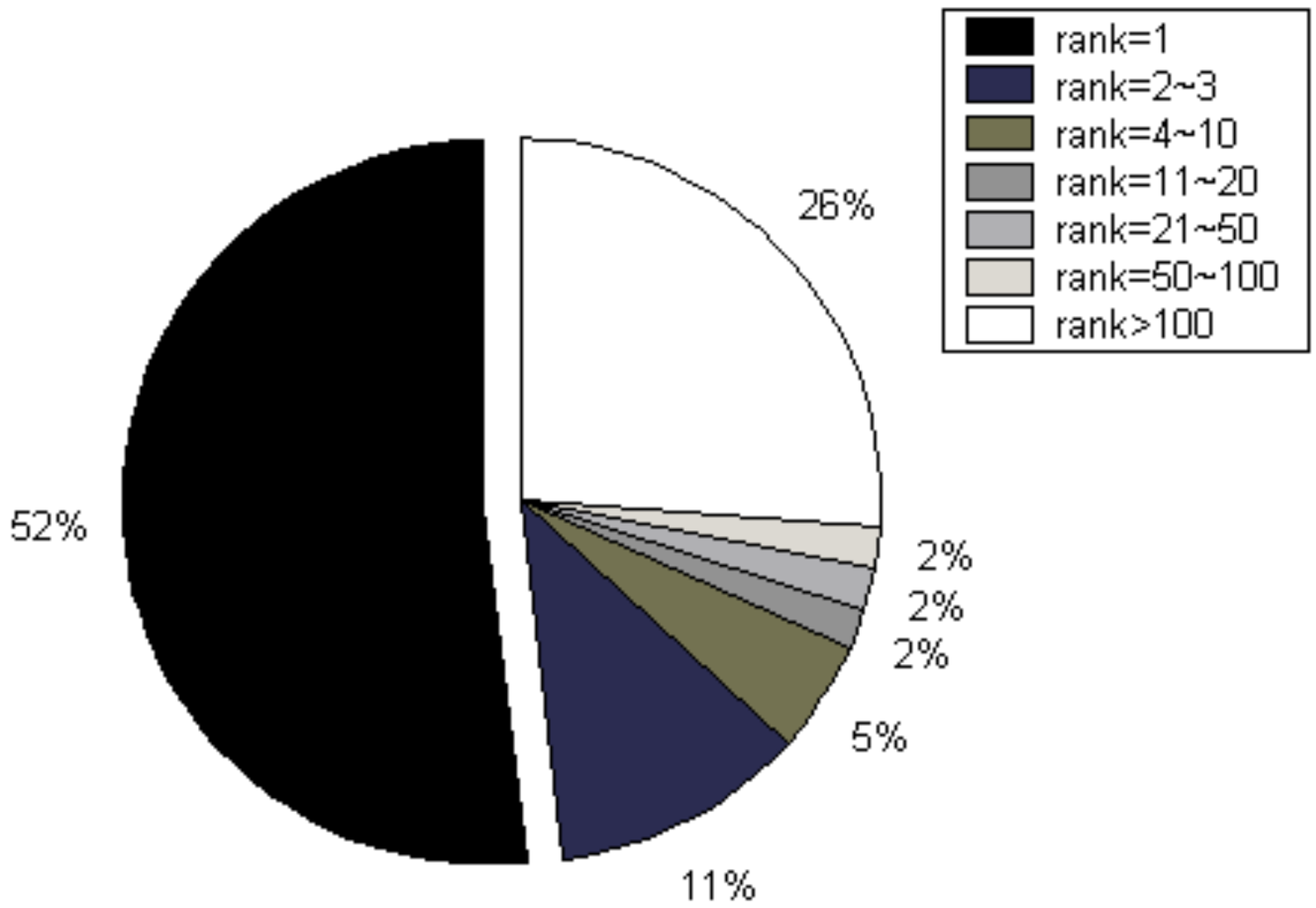
實驗結果—從頭比對

- 只用linear scaling
- 前三名39.94%
- 平均搜尋時間0.1秒

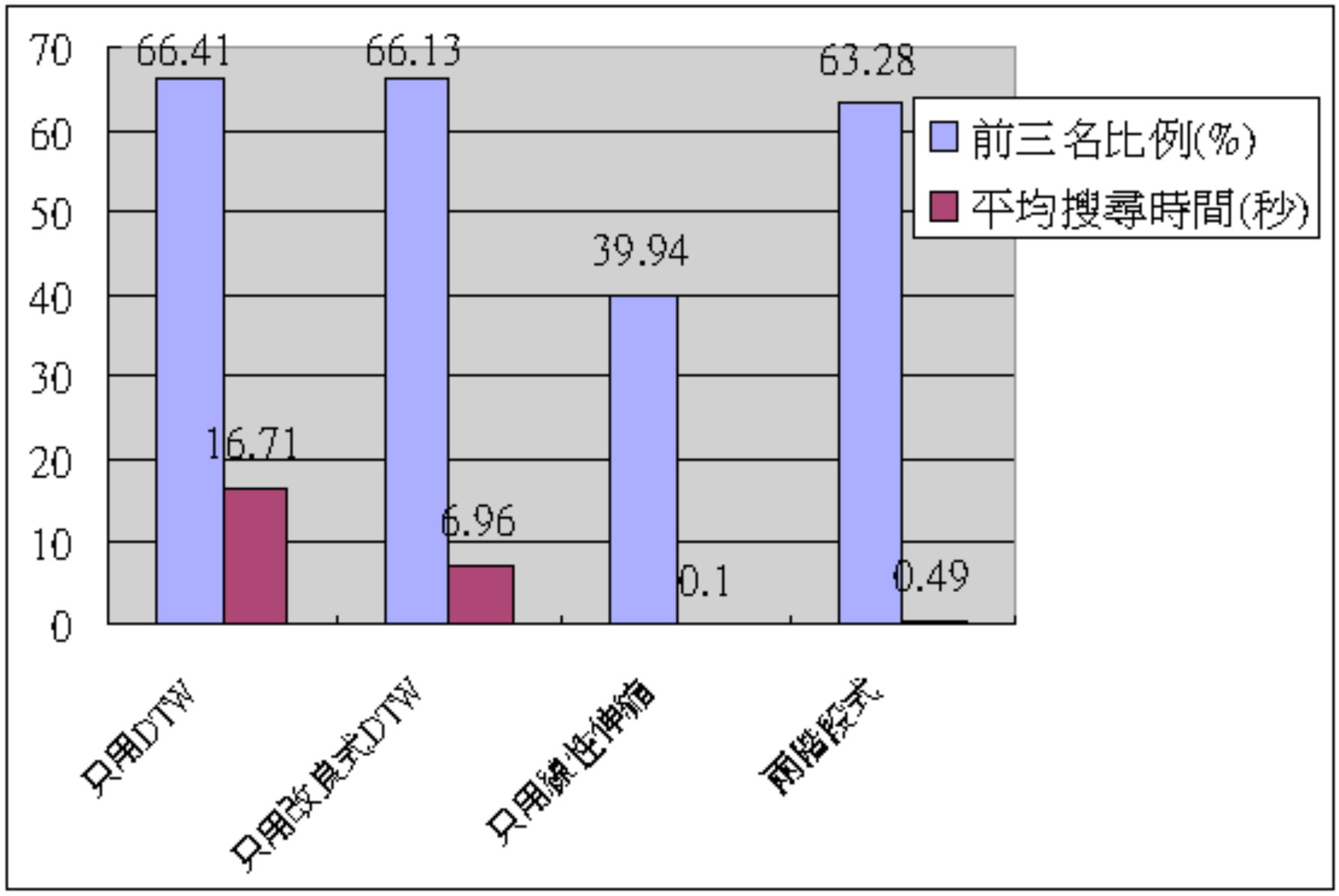


實驗結果—從頭比對

- 用兩階段式比對
- 第一階段保留200首歌進入第二階段
- 前三名63.28%
- 平均搜尋時間0.49秒

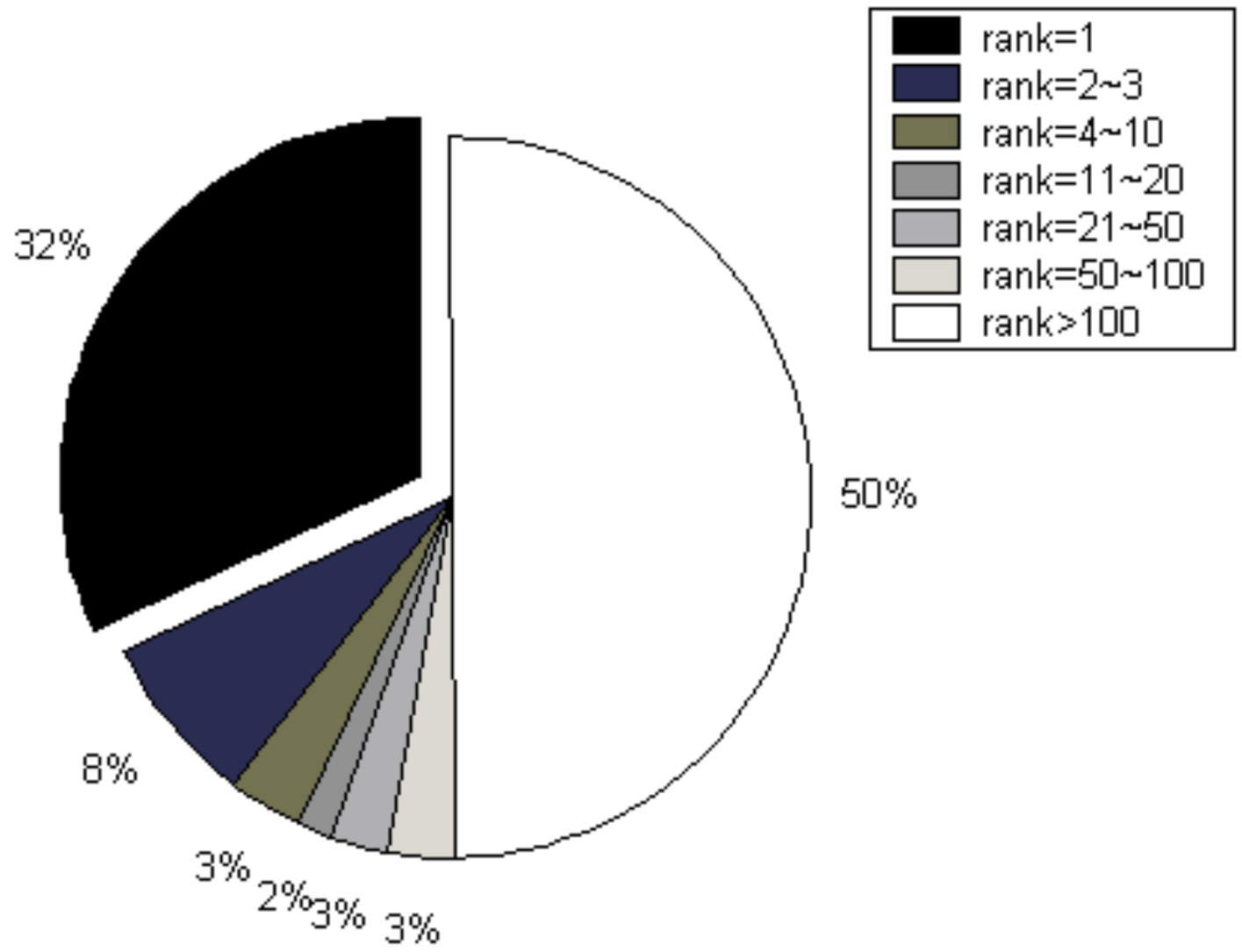


實驗結果—從頭比對比較圖

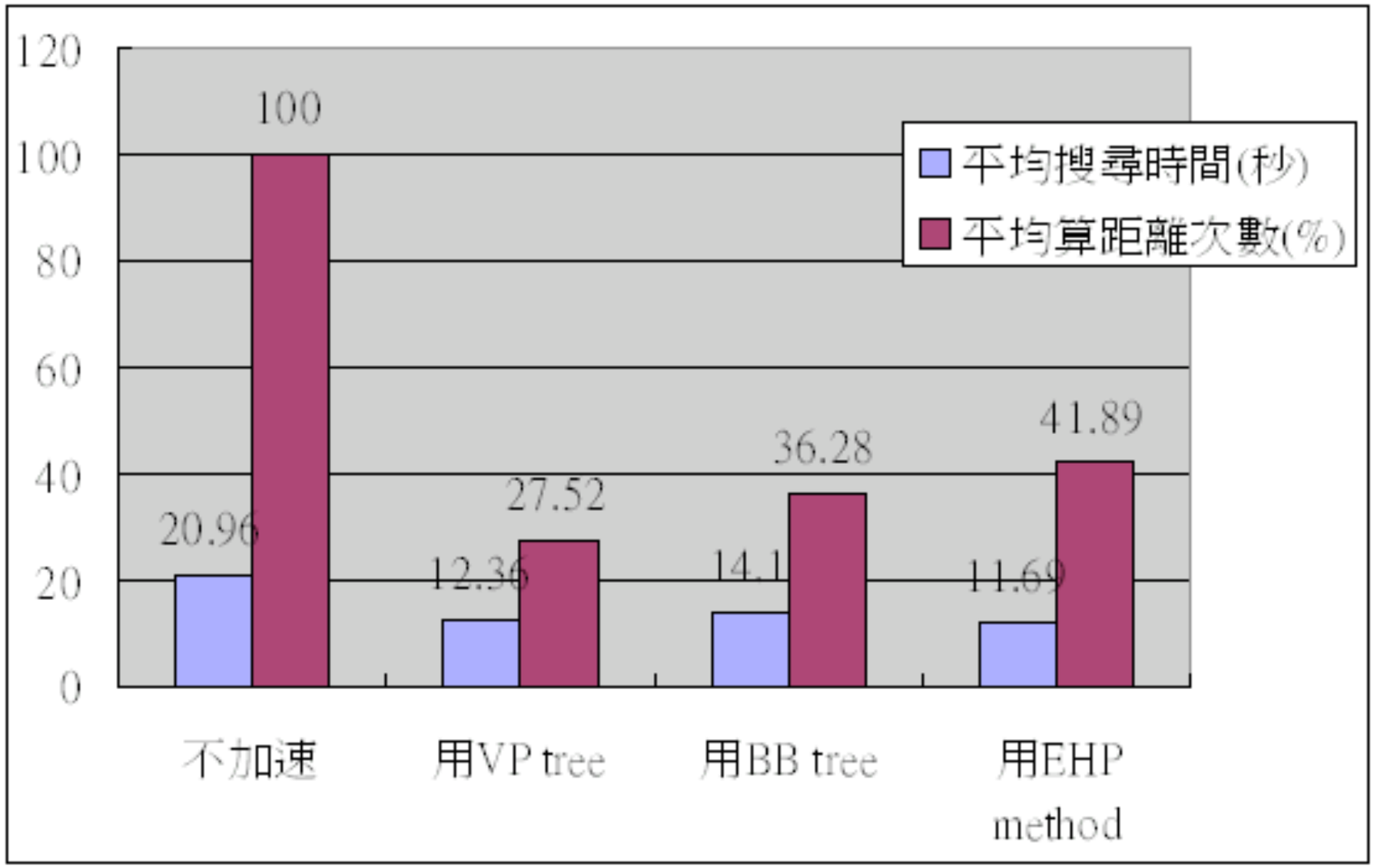


實驗結果—全曲比對

- 用兩階段式比對
- 前三名39.63%



實驗結果—全曲比對比較圖



錯誤分析

- 資料庫錯誤
  - 有前奏
  - 同一時間不只一個音符
  - 主旋律錯誤
  - 相同歌曲但不同歌名
- 測試歌聲不良
  - 有雜音
  - 氣不足、音不準
  - 唱錯
  - 拍子不準

結論

- 從頭比對
  - 只用dtw → linear scaling + 改良式dtw
    - 大約快 34 倍
    - 前三名比例下降不到 4%
- 全曲比對
  - 只用改良式dtw → linear scaling + 改良式dtw
    - 大約快 23 倍
  - 第一階段不用加速方法 → 第一階段用equal-average hyperplane partitioning method
    - 大約快 1.8 倍
    - 平均一首歌約多佔 2.7 K byte 的記憶體

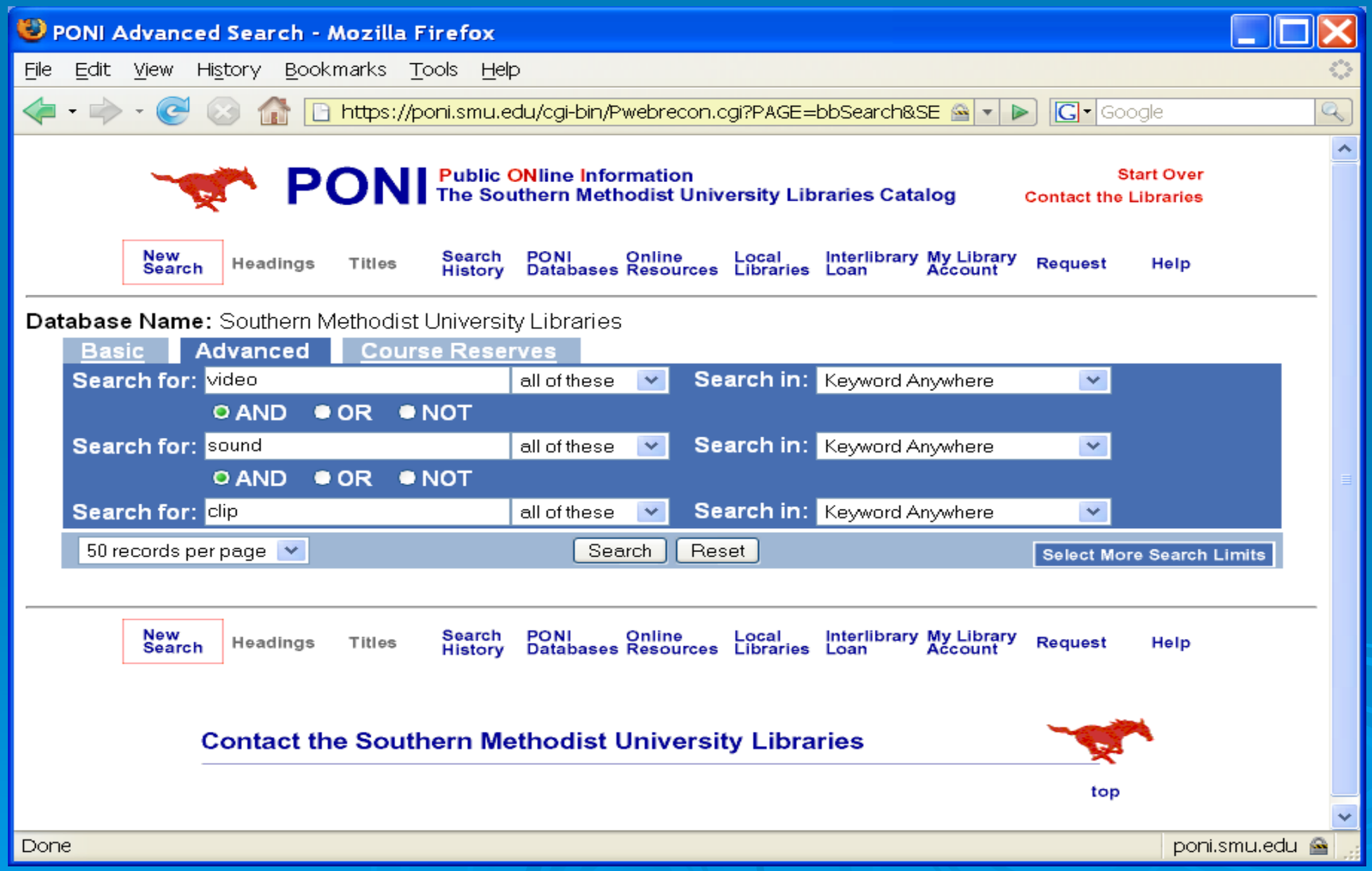
3. Video retrieval techniques

Differences and relations between image and video

- Images are static, but video are dynamic.
- Video stream can be viewed as sequence of image frames.

Introduction

- Traditional Library search method

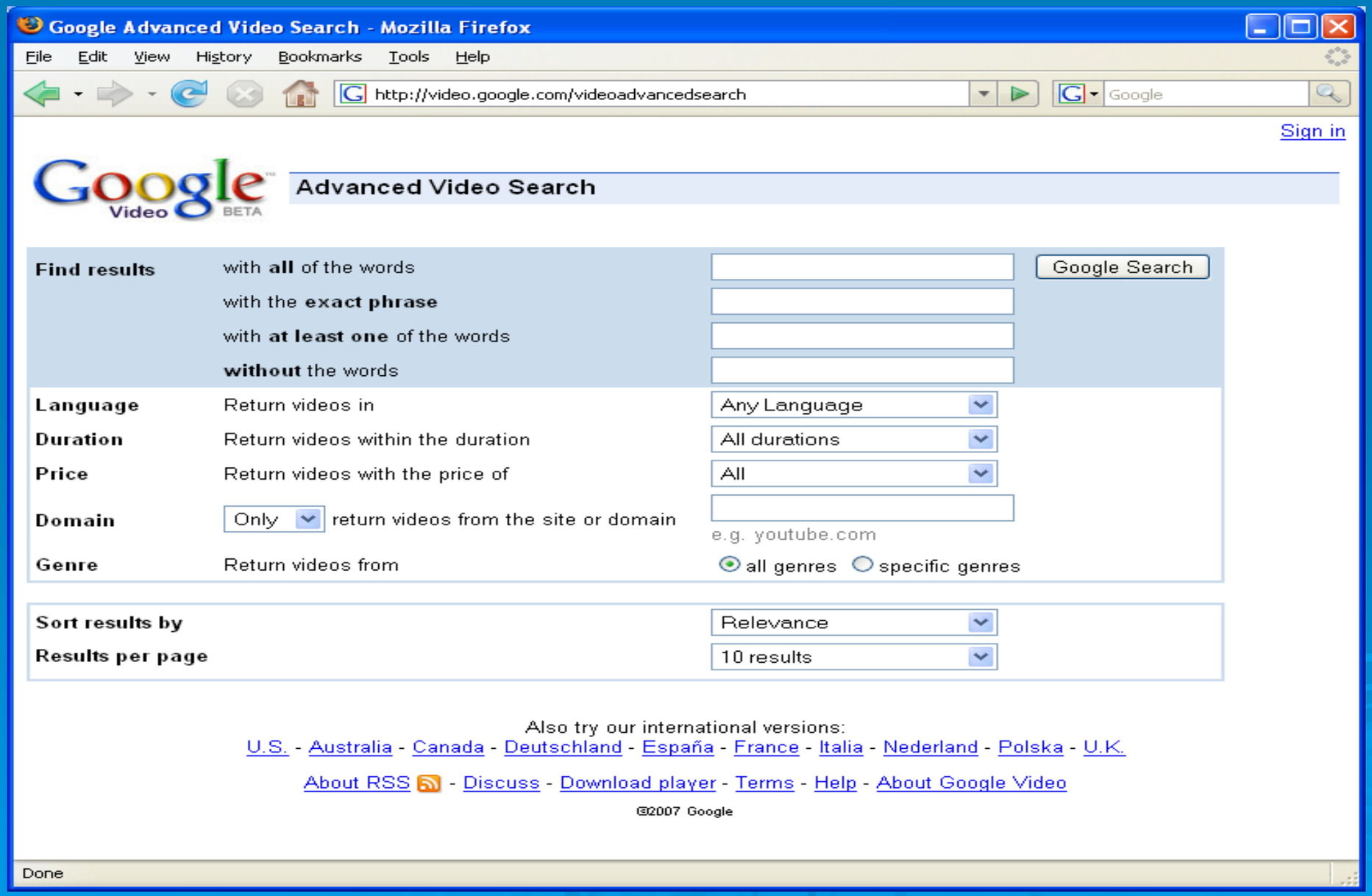


Introduction (cont.)

- Other search engines still using description search method.
- Current image search method: by description.

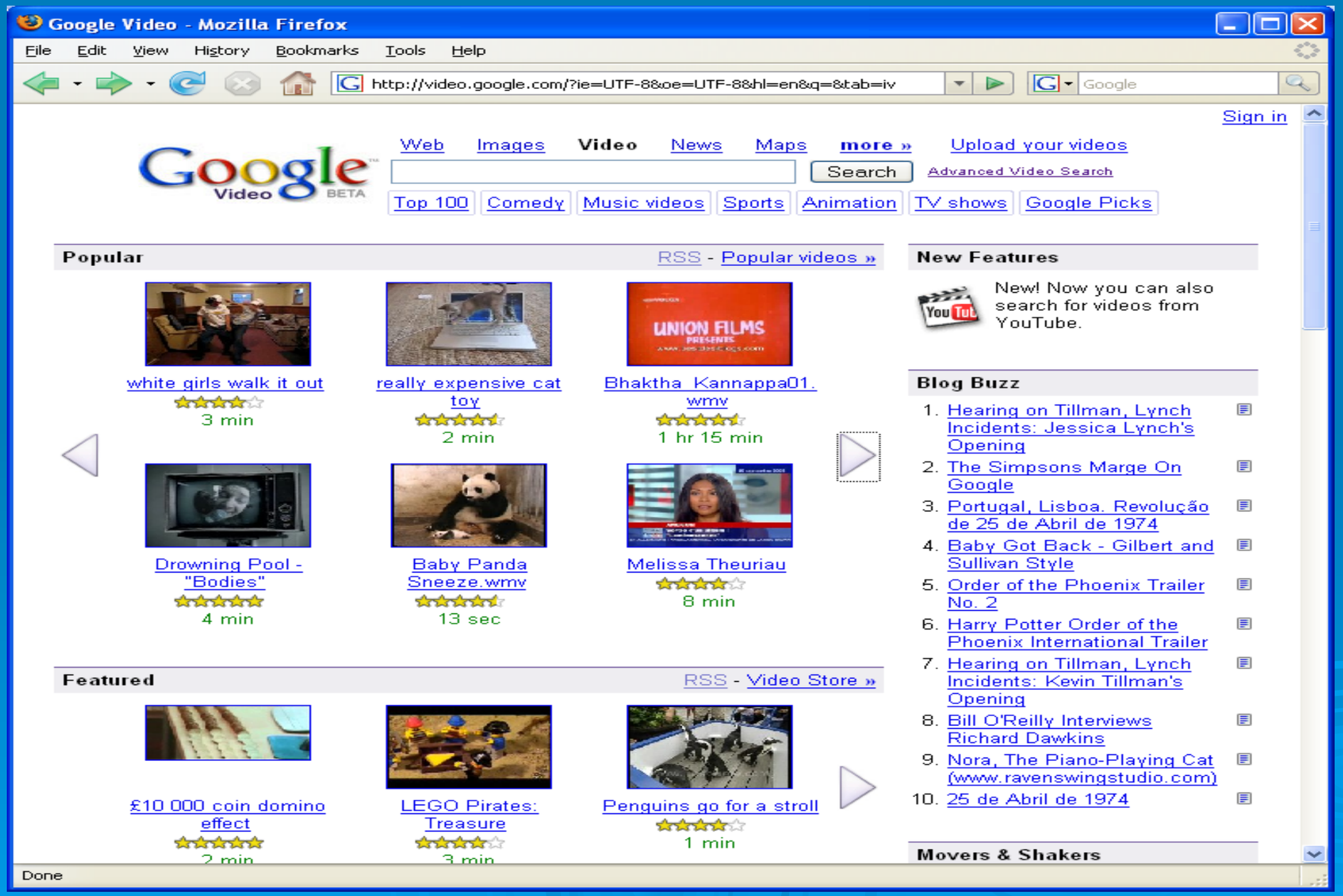
Introduction (cont.)

- Sample of Google Video Search:



Introduction (cont.)

- Google Video Archive selections:

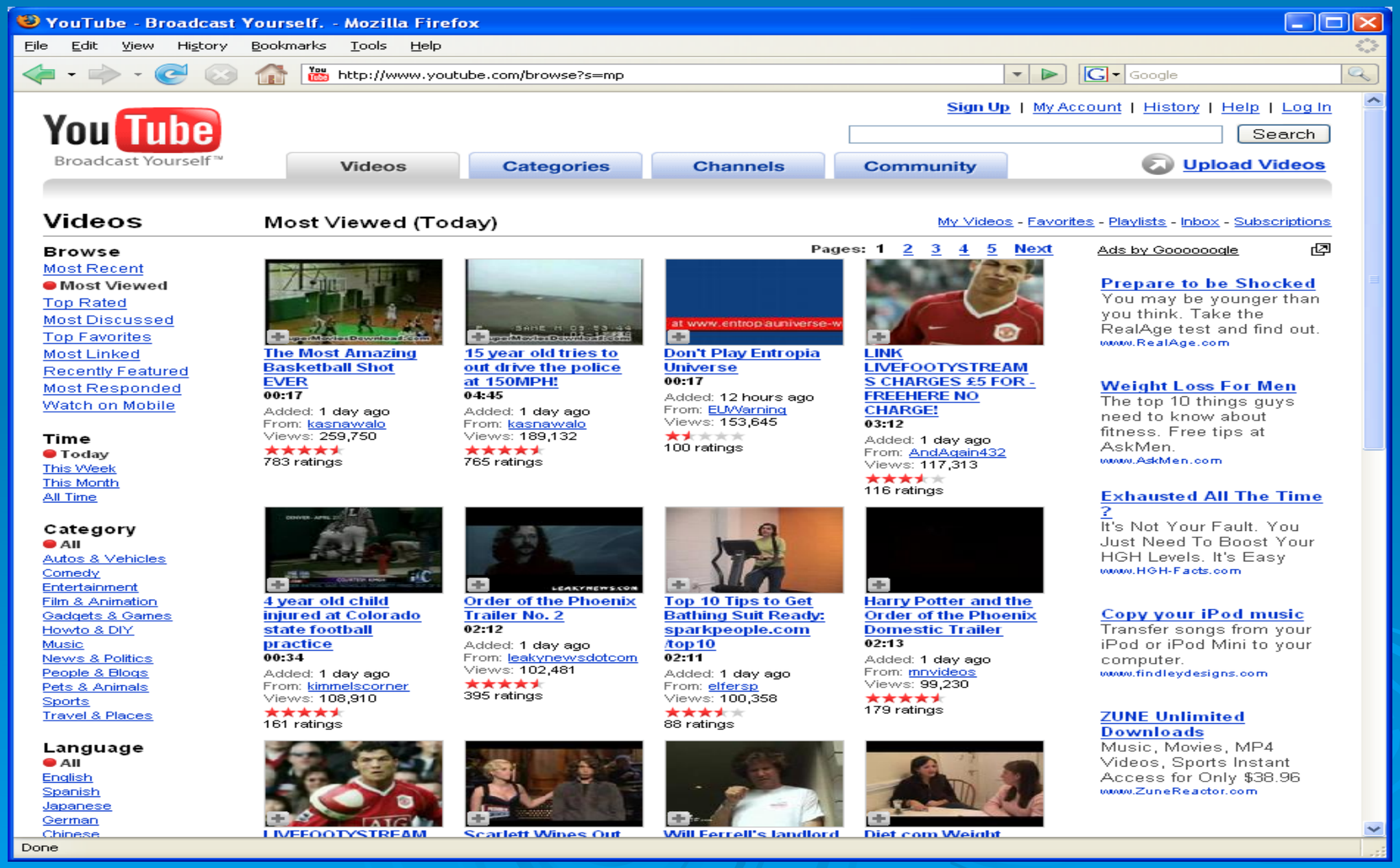


Introduction (cont.)

- Picture is worth a thousand words.
- More than words can express.
- Growing number video clips on MySpace and YouTube, there is a need for a video search engine.

Introduction (cont.)

- Sample YouTube Video page:

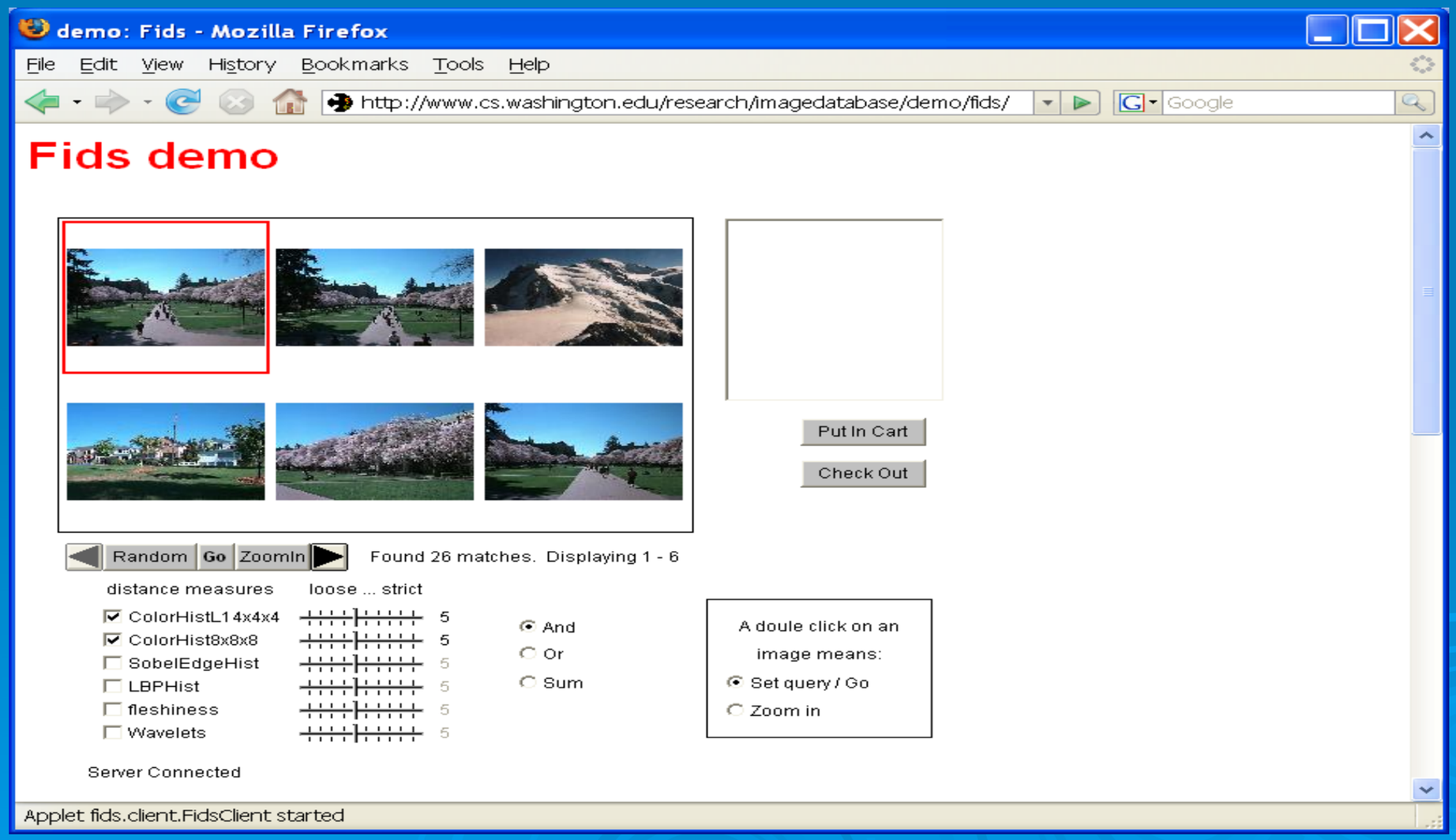


Introduction (cont.)

- Therefore, we need a better search technique – Content-Based Video Retrieval System (CBVR).

Image Retrieval Phase

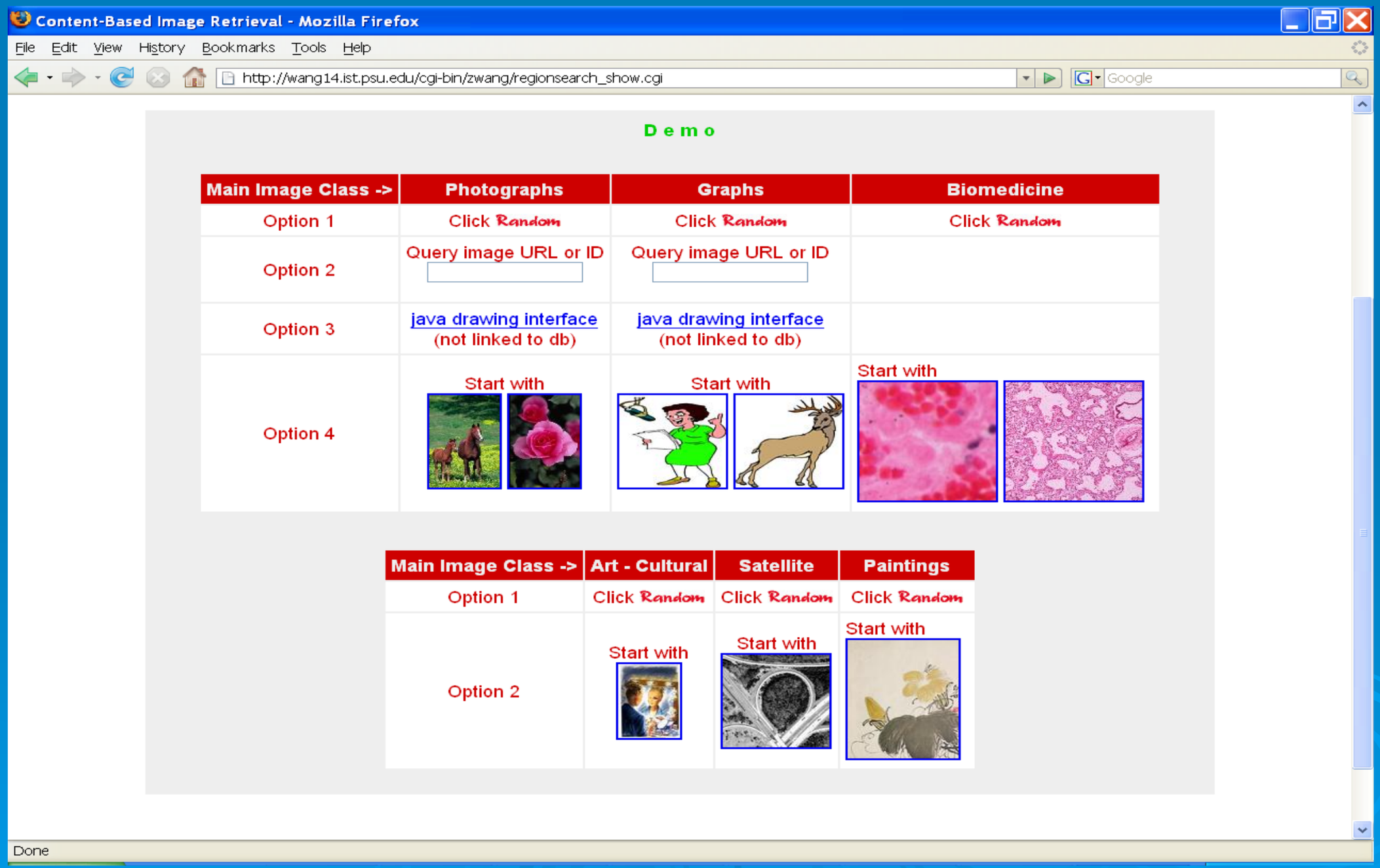
- Query by example (QBE)
  - Allow to select sample image to search.



[Wang, Li, Wiederhold, 2001]

Image Retrieval Phase (cont.)

Yet Another CBVR Application Interface



[Li, Shapiro 2004]

Introduction (cont.)

- What good is video retrieval?
  - Historical Achieve
  - Forensic documents
  - Fingerprint & DNA matching
  - Security usage

Overview (cont.)

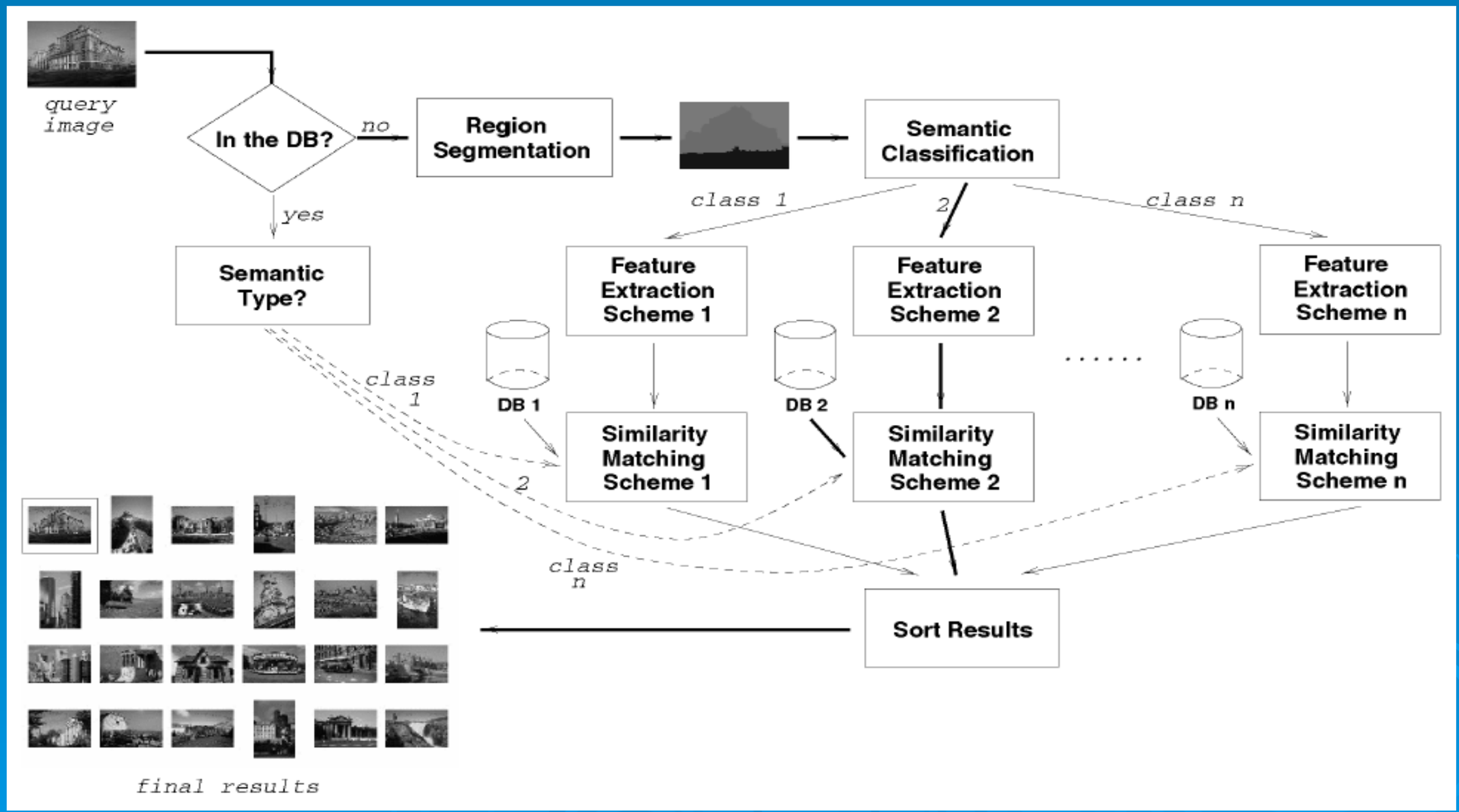
- CBVR has two Approaches:
  - Attribute based
  - Object based
- CBVR can be done by:
  - Color
  - Texture
  - Shape
  - Spatial relationship
  - Semantic primitives
  - Browsing
  - Objective Attribute
  - Subjective Attribute
  - Motion
  - Text & domain concepts

Overview (cont.)

- CBVR has two phases:
  - Database Population phase
    - Video shot boundary detection
    - Key Frames selection
    - Feature extraction
  - Video Retrieval phase
    - Similarity measure

Overview (cont.)

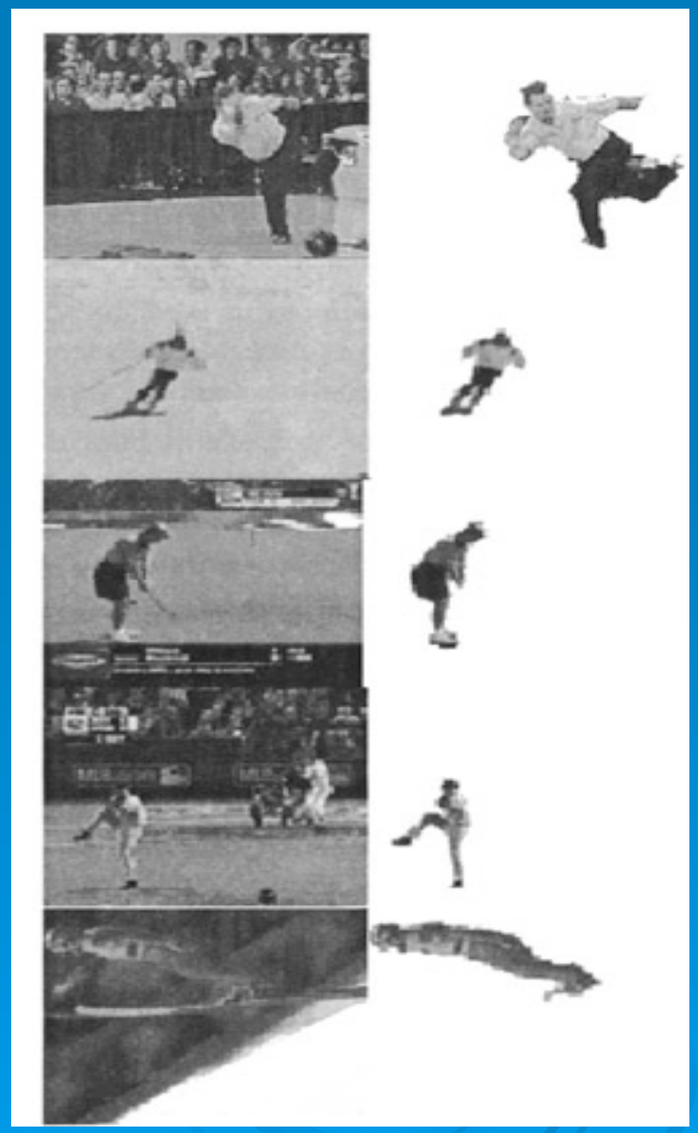
- How CBVR works:



[Wang, Li, Wiederhold, 2001]

Database Population Phase

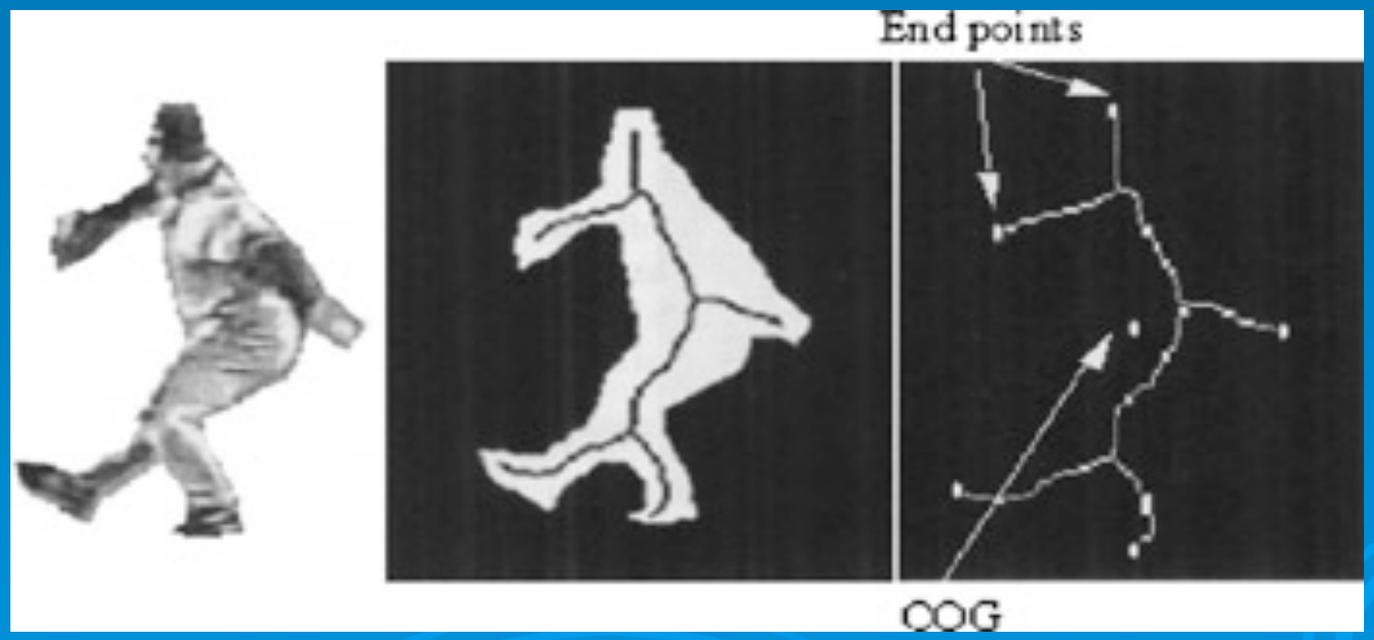
- Here are the three major procedures:
  - Shot boundary detection – partition, segments



[Luo, Hwang, Wu, 2004]

Database Population Phase (cont)

- Key frames selection – select characteristics
- Extracting low-level spatial features like color, texture, shape, etc.



[Luo, Hwang, Wu, 2004]

Database Population Phase (cont.)

- Video is complex data type – audio & video
- Audio can be handled by query by humming.
- Voice recognition system using Patricia-like tree to construct all possible substrings of a sentence.
- Audio is categorized by: speech, music, and sound.
- Audio retrieval methods: Hidden Markov Model, Boolean Search with multi-query using Fuzzy Logic.

Database Population Phase (cont)

- Most simple database storage: description of video as index along with the video.
- Human effort is involved in this case.
- We are searching for automatic video indexing and digital image storage method – Latent Semantic Indexing (LSI)

Database Population Phase (cont.)

- LSI is using vector space model – low rank approximation of vector space represent image document collection.
- Original matrix is replaced by an as close as possible matrix, where its column space is only the subspace of the original matrix column space.
- By reducing the rank of the matrix, noises (duplicate frames) are reduce to improve storage and retrieval performance.
- Term indexing is referred to the process of assigning terms to the content of the video.

Database Population Phase (cont.)

- Closest terms in the database is returned based on the similarity measure between the query images and the resulting ones.
- Cosine similarity measure is used in the vector space model.
- Cosine similarity measure on Term-by-video matrix:

$$\cos(t_1, v) = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{k} t_1 v}{\sqrt{\sum_{h=1}^{k} t_1^{\,2} \sum_{h=1}^{k} v^2}}$$

Database Population Phase (cont.)

- Enterprise database like Oracle introduces new object type: ORDImage, which contains four different visual attributes: global color, local color, texture and shape.
- ORDImageIndex provides multidimensional index structure to speed up stored feature vectors.

Database Population Phase (cont.)

- Oracle example of joining two images of Picture1 and Picture2:

```
CREATE TABLE Picture1(
                    author VARCHAR2(30),
                    description VARCHAR2(200),
                    photo1 ORDSYS.ORDImage,
                    photo1_sig ORDSYS.ORDImageSignature
);
CREATE TABLE Picture2(
                    mydescription VARCHAR2(200),
                    photo2 ORDSYS.ORDImage,
                    photo2_sig ORDSYS.ORDImageSignature
);
SELECT p1.description, p2.mydescription
FROM Picture p1, Picture p2,
WHERE
          ORDSYS.IMGSimilar(p1.photo1_sig, p2.photo2_sig,
          'color="0,6" texture="0,2" shape="0,1"
          location="0,1"', 20)=1;
```

Note: Weighted sum of the distance of the visual attributes is less than or equal to the threshold, the image is matched.

Homework

- Implement a naïve image retrieval system
  - –Using color moments