



Locality Sensitive Hashing (LSH)

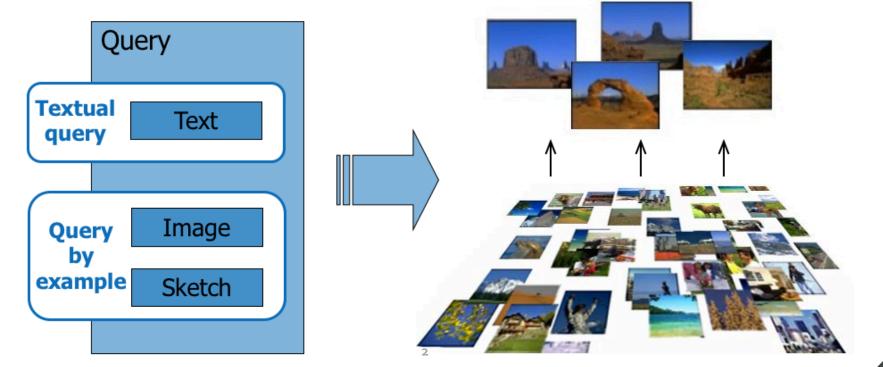
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Motivation

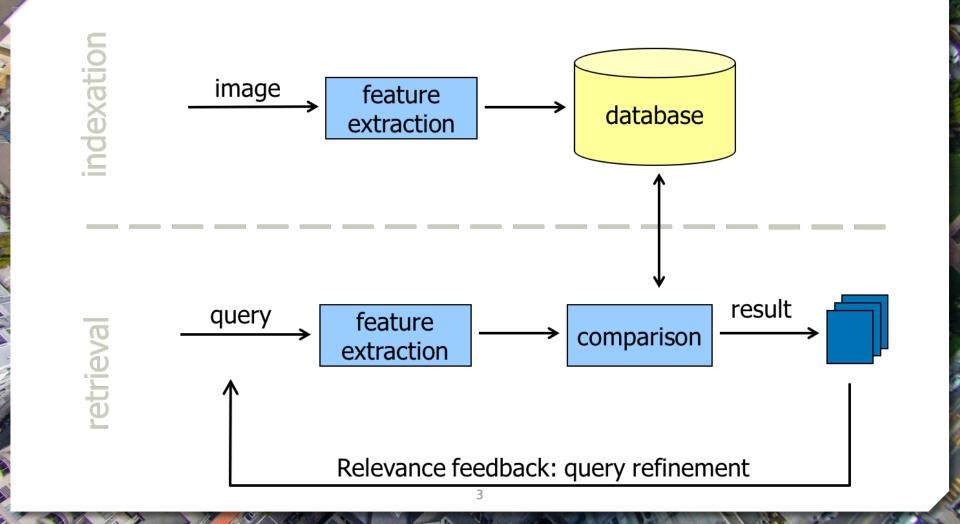
✓ Description Based Image Retrieval (DBIR)

✓ Content Based Image Retrieval (CBIR)





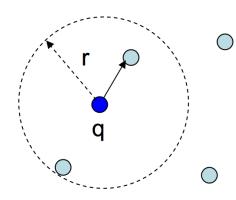
Common components of CBIR system





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DEFINITION (ℓ_p DISTANCE). The distance between any two d-dimensional points \vec{o} and \vec{q} in the ℓ_p space, denoted as $\ell_p(\vec{o}, \vec{q})$, is computed as:

$$\ell_p(ec o,ec q) = \sqrt[p]{\sum_{i=1}^d |o_i-q_i|^p}$$



The case of d = 2

- ✓ Compute Voronoi diagram
- ✓ Given q, perform point location -
- ✓ Performance:
 - ✓ Space: O(n)
 - ✓ Query time: O(log n)

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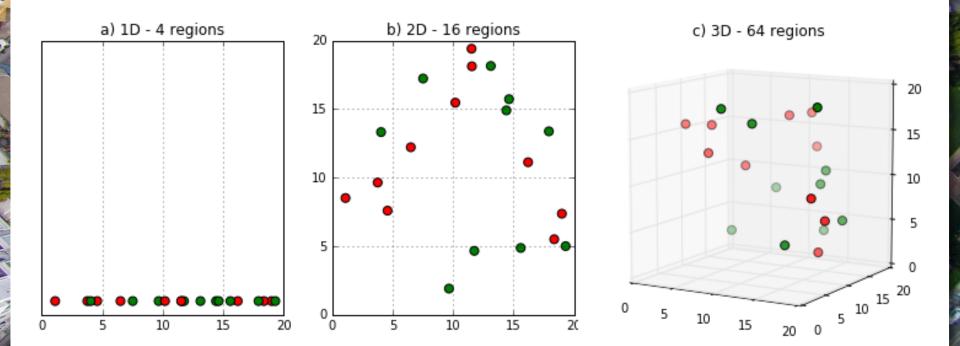


The case of d > 2

- ✓ Voronoi diagram has size O(n^d)
- ✓ Another possibility: linear scan (O(dn) time)
- That's all that is known about exact algorithms with theoretical guarantees.
- ✓ In practice:
 - Kd-trees work "well" in "low-medium" dimensions: require sublinear time and near linear space for d < 10 - 20
 - ✓ Time or space requirements grow exponentially in the dimension.



Problems: curse of dimensionality





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✓ 5.5 seconds

- ✓ Hamming distance: 1000 queries, 1M database vectors:
 - + Computing the 1 billion distances: 0.6 second



Hamming Space

- ✓ Definition: Hamming space is the set of all 2^N binary strings of length N.
- ✓ Definition: The Hamming distance between two equal length binary strings is the number of positions for which the bits are different.
- ✓ ||1011101; 1001001||_H = 2
- ✓ ||1110101; 1111101||_H = 1



The cost of exact matching

- To improve the scalability: find the nearest neighbour in probability only: Approximate nearest neighbour (ANN) search
- An approximate nearest neighbour should suffice in most cases.

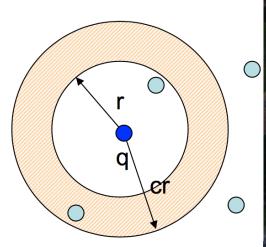


Approximate Near Neighbour

c-Approximate r-Near Neighbour: build data structure which, for any query q: \checkmark If there is a point $p \in P$, $||p - q|| \leq r$ \checkmark it returns $p' \in P$, $||p' - q|| \leq cr$

Three (contradictory) performance criteria for ANN schemes:

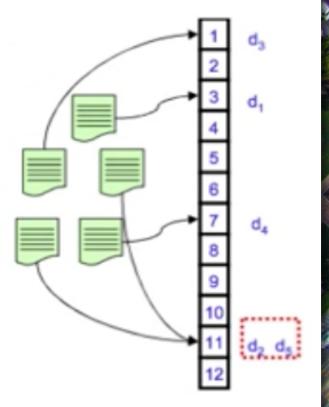
- Search quality (retrieved vectors are actual nearest neighbours)
- ✓ Speed
- Memory usage





Hashing

- ✓ Hash function: any function ℋ which has, as a minimum, the following two properties:
 - Compression
 - ease of computation





Locality Sensitive Hashing

- Idea: project the data into a low-dimensional binary (Hamming) space; while preserving some properties from the original space.
- ✓ Construct hash functions h: $R^d \rightarrow U$ such that for any points p, q:
 - ✓ If $D(p,q) \leq r$, then Pr[h(p) = h(q)] is "high".
 - ✓ If D(p,q) > cr, then Pr[h(p) = h(q)] is "small".
- Then we can solve the problem by performing hash table lookup.
 LSH is a general framework; for a given D we need to find the right h.



LSH [Indyk-Motwani'98]

 ✓ A family *H* of functions h: R^d → U is called (P₁, P₂, r, cr)sensitive , if for any p, q:

- ✓ If D(p,q) < r, then $Pr[h(p) = h(q)] > P_1$
- ✓ If D(p,q) > cr, then $Pr[h(p) = h(q)] < P_2$.
- $P_{1} > P_{2}$.



Bit sampling

- Works for the Hamming distance over d-dimensional vectors {0,1}^d.
- ✓ The family ℋ of hash functions is simply the family of all the projections of points in one of the d coordinates.
- ✓ $\mathcal{H} = \{h : \{o, 1\}^d \rightarrow \{o, 1\} \mid h(x) = x_i \text{ for some } i \subseteq \{1, ..., d\}, \text{ where } x_i \text{ is the } i\text{th coordinate of } x.$
- A random function h from *H* simply selects a random bit from the input point.



Algorithm: preprocessing

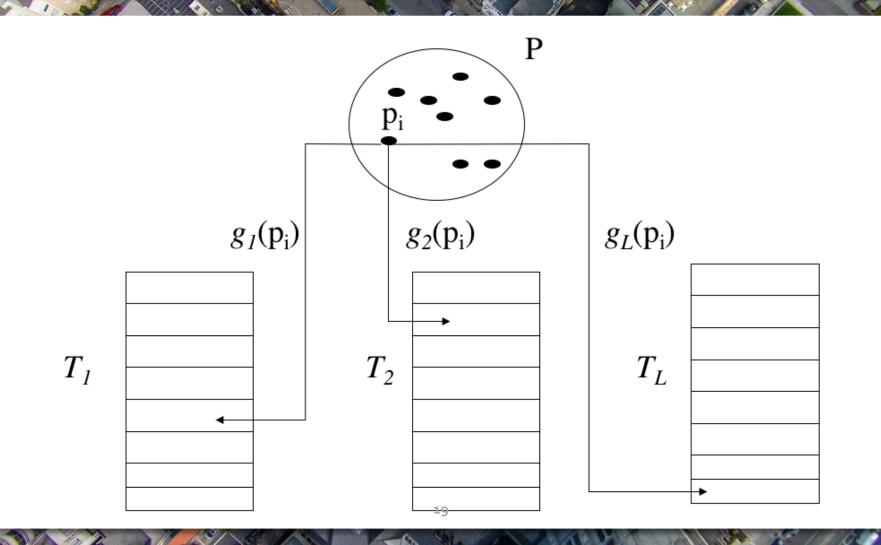
- ✓ Hash the data-point using several LSH functions (g_i(.) = { h₁(.) ...h_k(.) }) so that probability of collision is higher for closer objects
 - Input
 - Set of N points $\{p_1, \ldots, p_n\}$
 - -L (number of hash tables)
 - Output
 - Hash tables T_i , i = 1, 2, ..., L
 - Foreach i = 1, 2, ..., L
 - Initialize T_i with a random hash function $g_i(.)$
 - Foreach i = 1, 2, ..., L

For each $j = 1, 2, \dots N$

Store point p_j on bucket $g_i(p_j)$ of hash table T_i



Algorithm: preprocessing





Algorithm : **cr** - NNS Query

- Input
 - Query point q
 - K (number of approx. nearest neighbors)
- Access
 - Hash tables T_i , i = 1, 2, ..., L
- Output
 - Set S of K (or less) approx. nearest neighbors
- $S \leftarrow \emptyset$

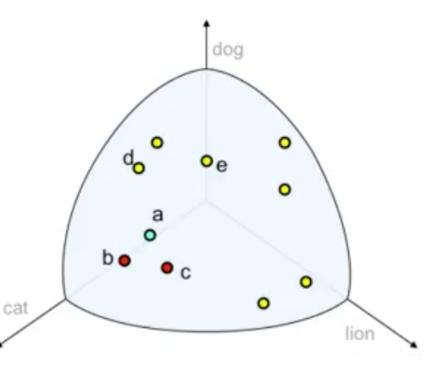
Foreach $i = 1, 2, \dots L$

- S \leftarrow S \cup { points found in $g_i(q)$ bucket of hash table T_i }



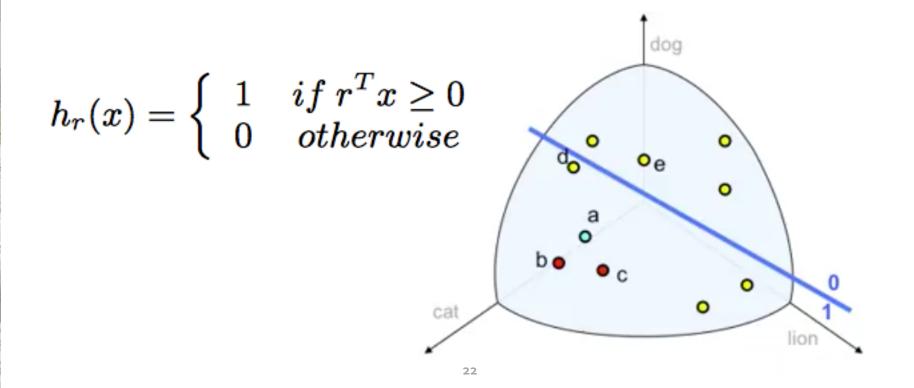
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$$h_r(x) = \left\{ egin{array}{cc} 1 & if \ r^T x \geq 0 \ 0 & otherwise \end{array}
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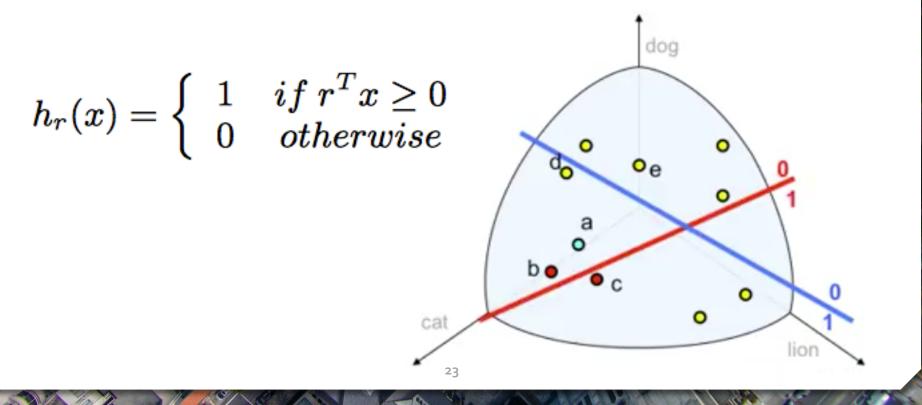


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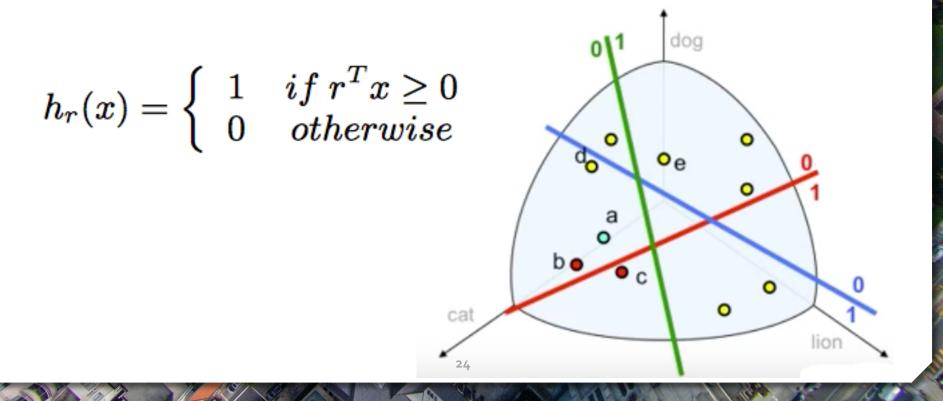


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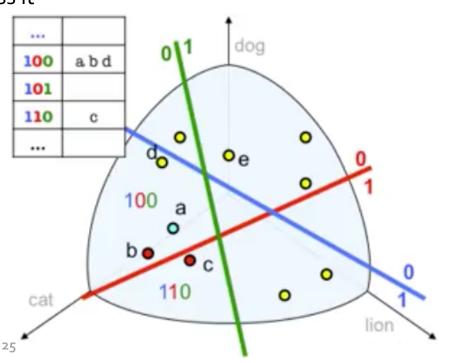
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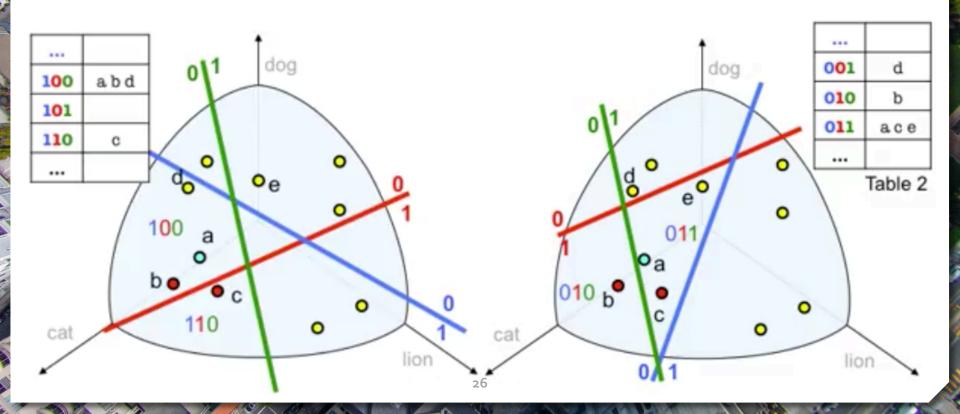
Compare a to points with same hash-code

- **b** ... indeed similar to a
- **d** ... false positive, will be eliminated
- **c** ... different hash-code, will miss it



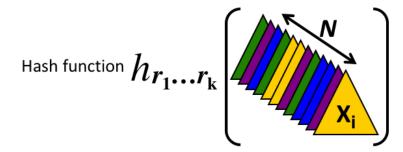


✓ Repeat with different hyperplanes

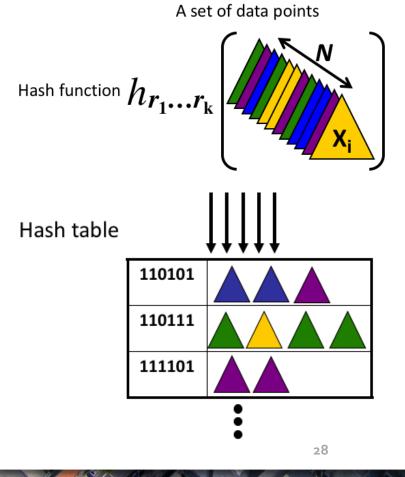




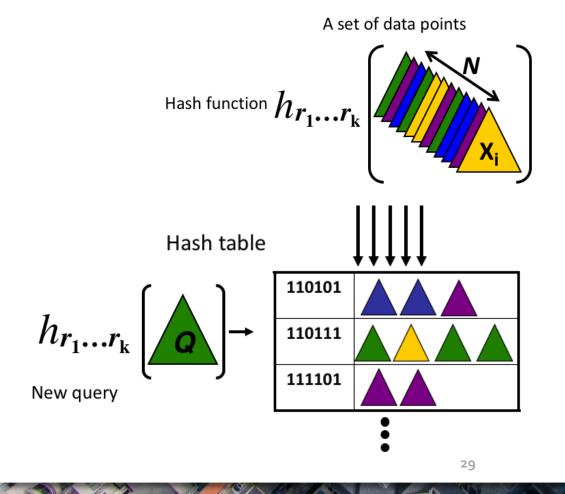
A set of data points



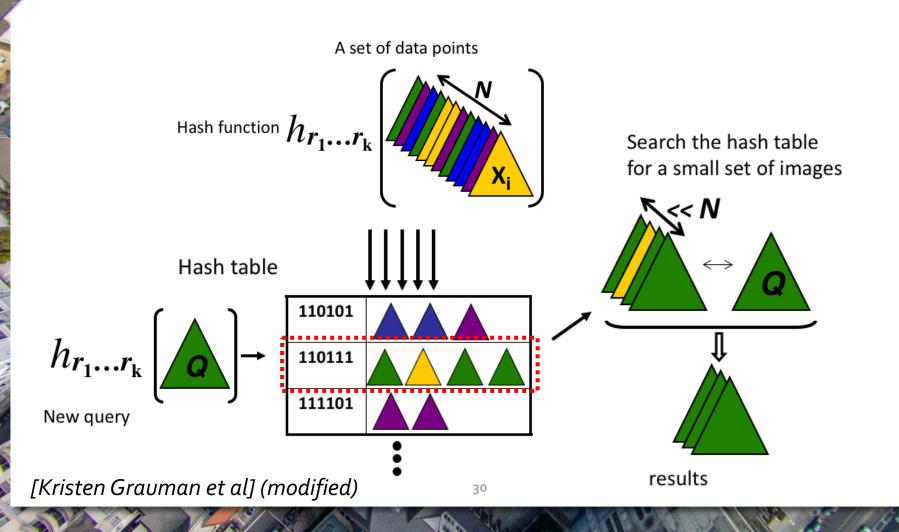














Performance

✓ Data Sets

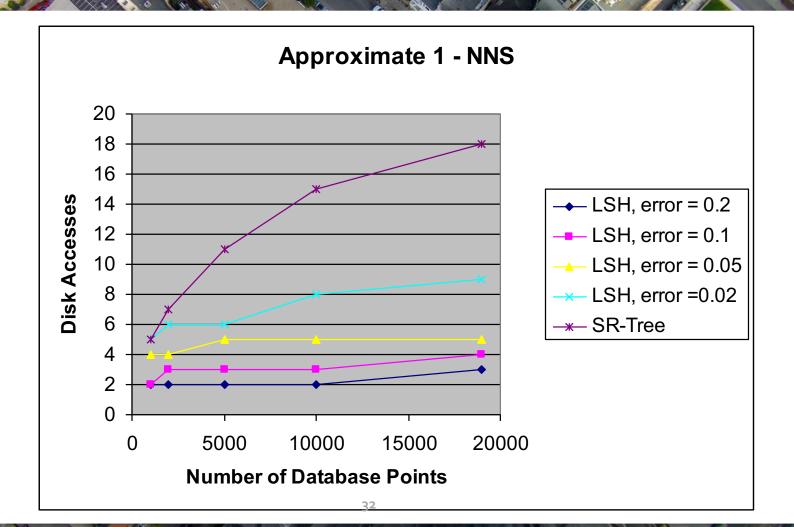
- Color images from COREL Draw library (20,000 points, dimensions up to 64)
- Texture information of aerial photographs (270,000 points, dimensions 60)

Evaluation

- Speed, Miss Ratio, Error (%) for various data sizes, dimensions, and K values
- Compare Performance with SR-Tree (Spatial Data Structure)

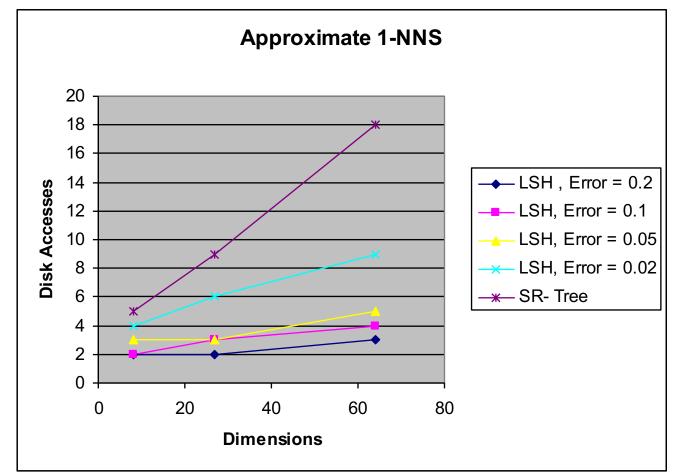


Speed vs. Data Size





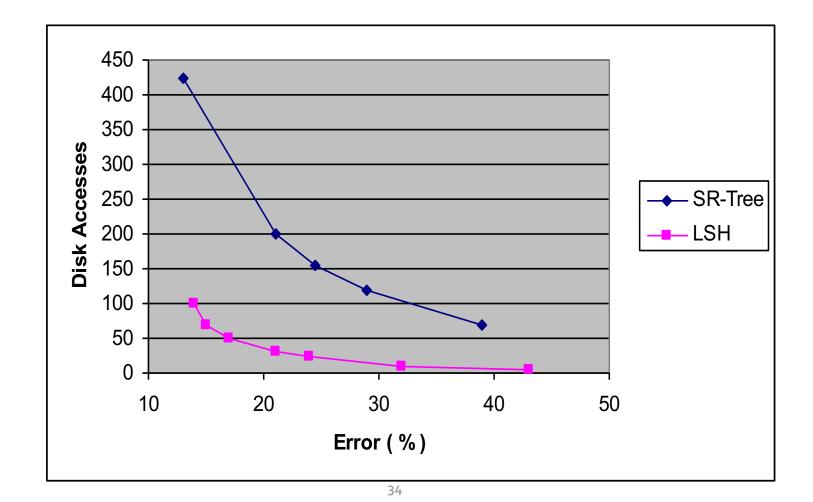
Speed vs. Dimension



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Speed vs. Error





Analysis

✓ LSH solves c-approximate NN with:

- Number of hash functions: L = n^p
- ✓ E.g., for the Hamming distance we have $\rho = 1/c$
- Constant success probability per query q
- ✓ Questions:
 - Can we extend this beyond Hamming distance?
 - ✓ Can we reduce the exponent ρ ?



Analysis

Distance metric	$\rho = (\ln 1 / p_1) / (\ln 1 / p_2)$	C = 2	Reference
Euclidean (l ₂)	\leq 1/C ² + O(1)	1/4	[Andoni, Indyk 2006]
	≧ 1/C² - O(1)		[O'Donnell, Wu, Zhou 2011]
	$\frac{1}{2c^2-1} + o(1)$	1/7	[Andoni, R 2015]
Hamming (l ₁)	≦ 1/C	1/2	[Indyk, Motwani 1998]
	\geq 1/C - O(1)		[O'Donnell, Wu, Zhou 2011]
	$\frac{1}{2c-1} + o(1)$	1/3	[Andoni, R 2015]

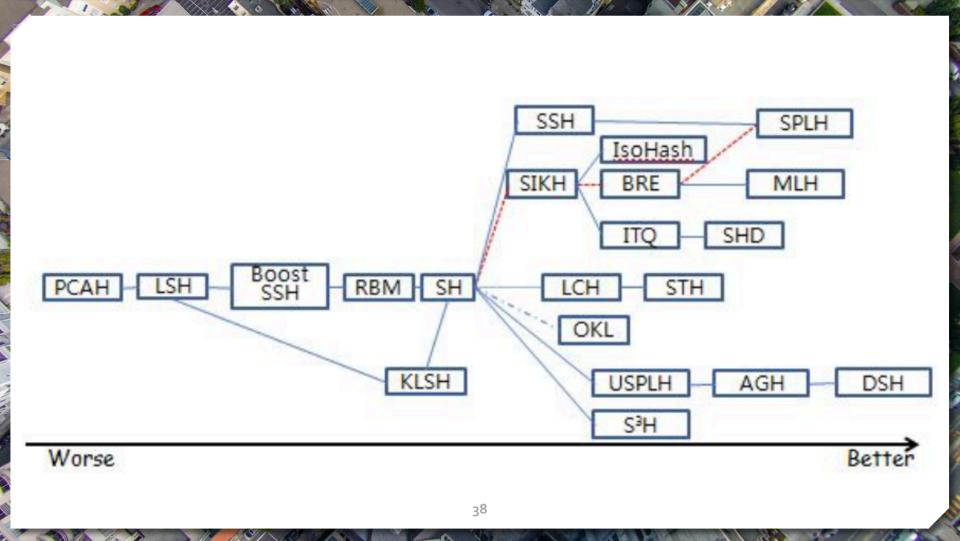


Categorization of LSH approaches

- Number of bucket sets
- Shape of hash functions (bit sampling, hyperplane, sine function, hypersphere)
- ✓ Data dependency
- ✓ Supervision
- Quantization (single-bit quantization, multi-bits quantization)



Comparison [Lee, 2012]





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