Who Goes There? Approaches to **Mapping Facial Appearance Diversity**



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Goal: Construct maps that show what people look like at different places in the world.

Learning Appearance

What aspects of appearance are captured by features?

Use PCA to form a qualitatively "good" basis. Then, extract PCA components and apply linear and random forest regression, conditioned on various inputs.

Mapping Appearance

What are the most likely locations for a given appearance type?

Cluster the face recognition image features and map the distribution, $P(c = c_i | location)$, to show the spatial distribution of appearance

Our Approach: Use geotagged social media images by detecting faces and learning useful features to develop various mapping applications. We propose to model how age, gender, facial shape, and location affect the expected appearance.

Dataset

We constructed a face dataset using 48 million geotagged Flickr images as our primary source [1]. Dataset details:

- **2,106,468** faces \bullet
- 34 metadata attributes lacksquare
- Location, pose, date uploaded, ... \bullet
- Deep CNN image features





Quantifying Diversity

- - Face recognition [2]
 - Age and Gender [3]



Indian females & males (top/bottom)

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Mapping Appearance

Multiscale Web Interface



Features:

- Worldwide coverage
- Multiple zoom levels
- Interactive control of attributes

We use the **fraction of variability**,

 $\lambda_n = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i}{\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i}$, where λ_i is an eigenvalue of the covariance matrix

of face recognition features.

