



Scraping Social Media Photos Posted in Kenya and Elsewhere to Detect and Analyze Food Types

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Motivation

- Create a food/non-food dataset so that Kenyan food/non-food classifiers that can detect Kenyan food
- Create a food type dataset to recognize Kenyan food types
- Using the metadata in social Instagram post for creating multimodal classifiers
- Why is our food type detection method that also incorporate the information from the caption is interesting and superior to other methods?



Introduction

- We propose Scrape-by-Location system and Scrape-by-Keywords system to collect two datasets: **Kenyan104K** and **KenyanFood13**.
- We propose a food/non-food classifiers trained on Kenyan104K: **KenyanFC** and a multimodal food type classifier trained on KenyanFood13: **KenyanFTR**.
- We apply our techniques to millions of Instagram posts and analyze food pattern in Kenya.

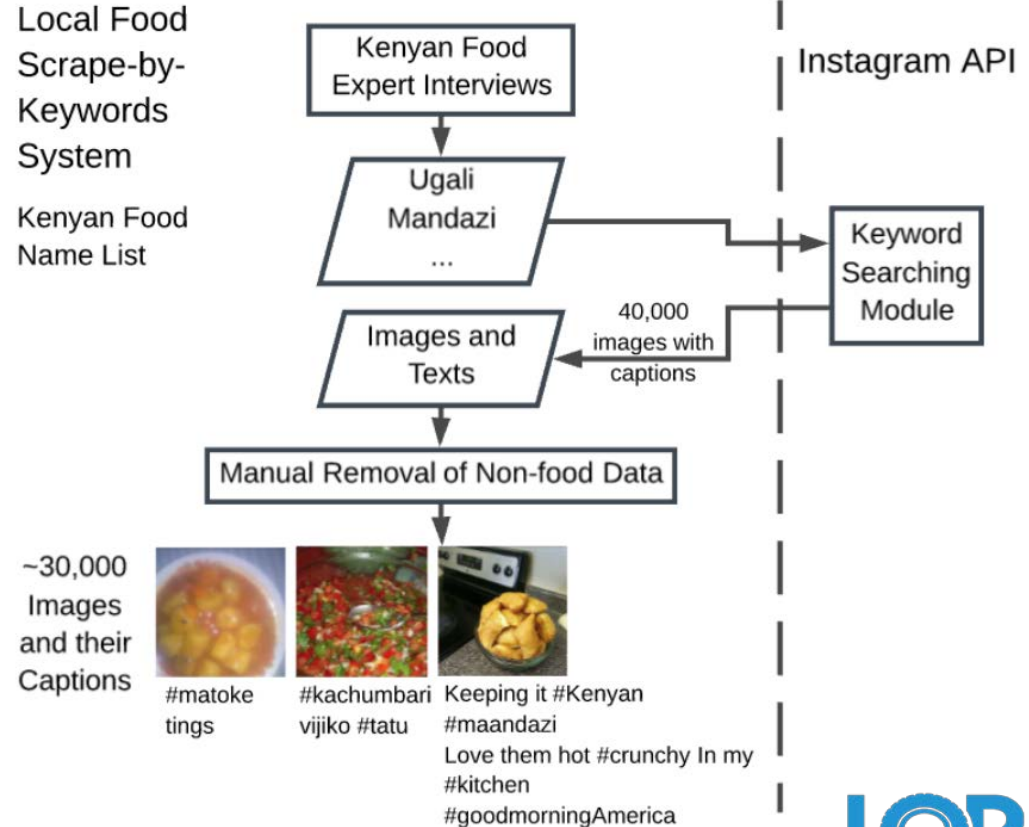
Related Work

Dataset	Food type datasets			Style of food
	# of classes	image per class	Total # of images	
ETHZ Food-101	101	1,000	101,000	As, E, Am ¹
UPMC Food-101	101	1,000	101,000	As, E, Am
UEC-FOOD-100	100	~90	9,060	Japanese
UEC-FOOD-256	256	~127	31,397	Japanese
VireoFood-172	172	~641	110,241	Chinese
UNICT-FD889	889	~4	3,583	As, E, Am
UNICT-FD1200	1200	~4	4,754	As, E, Am
Food-524DB	524	~473	247,636	As, E, Am
PFID	101	18	1,818	E, Am
Food500	500	~300	150,000	As, E, Am
NTU-FOOD	50	100	5,000	Chinese
KenyanFood13	13	~629	8,174	Kenyan

1 Asian (As), European (E), American (Am)

Proposed Scrape-by-Keyword System

- 38 initial keywords
- 40,000 initial images
- Manually removed non-food images
- Finally ended up with 30K Kenyan foods
- Merge keywords with duplicate meaning
- For each post we downloaded the:
 - Image primary key,
 - Image(s) and Image URL(s)
 - Caption (if exists)



Proposed Scrape-by-Location System

A total of 3.56M images

- We defined a set of rectangular regions on Kenya
- For each point on the grid, we searched all nearby locations registered on Instagram for 20 days
- We retrieved the recent posts of each location ID
- For each post we downloaded the:
 - Image primary key,
 - Location ID
 - Image(s) and Image URL(s)
 - Caption (if exists)
 - Latitude and longitude of the location

Local Food Scrape-by-Location System

Geographic Bounding Boxes of Kenya



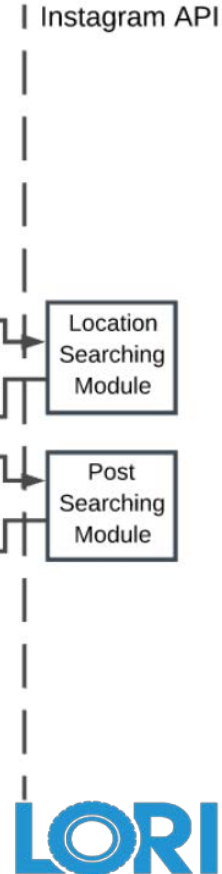
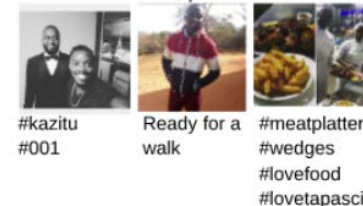
Grid Coordinates of Locations in Kenya

lat: 0.51, lng:36.4
lat: 0.52, lng:36.5
...

Location ID of Instagram

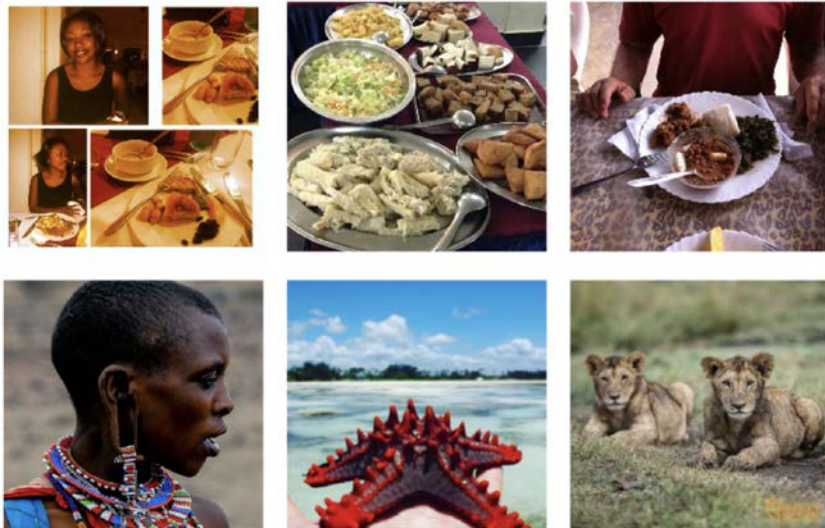
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3.56 M Images and their Captions



Kenyan Food/Non-Food Dataset (Kenya104K)

- Kenyan104K has 52K food and 52K non-food images
- Adapted for classifying Kenyan food/non-food images
- Consists of 30,000 non-food images collected by our Scrape-by-Location method and 30,000 food images by our Scrape-by-Keyword system, both with manual inspection, along with 9,658 food images from Instagram Food Dataset (IFD) and 53,527 food and non-food images from FCD



Kenyan Food Type Dataset

- 13 food types
- ~629 images per class
- 8,174 images in total
- Created from an initial pool of 30K images retrieved by Scrape-by-Keyword methodology where “keywords” were popular Kenyan foods.
- Only 15 of the initial 38 Kenyan foods had more than 500 images in Instagram.
- There is no guarantee that images of a hashtag would contain the specific food



Bhaji, 789

Chapati, 1,076

Nyama choma, 980

Mandazi, 775



Masala chips, 546



Kachumbari, 619



Ugali, 785



Pilau, 410



Matoke, 604



Githeri, 600



Mukimo, 266



Sukuma wiki, 505

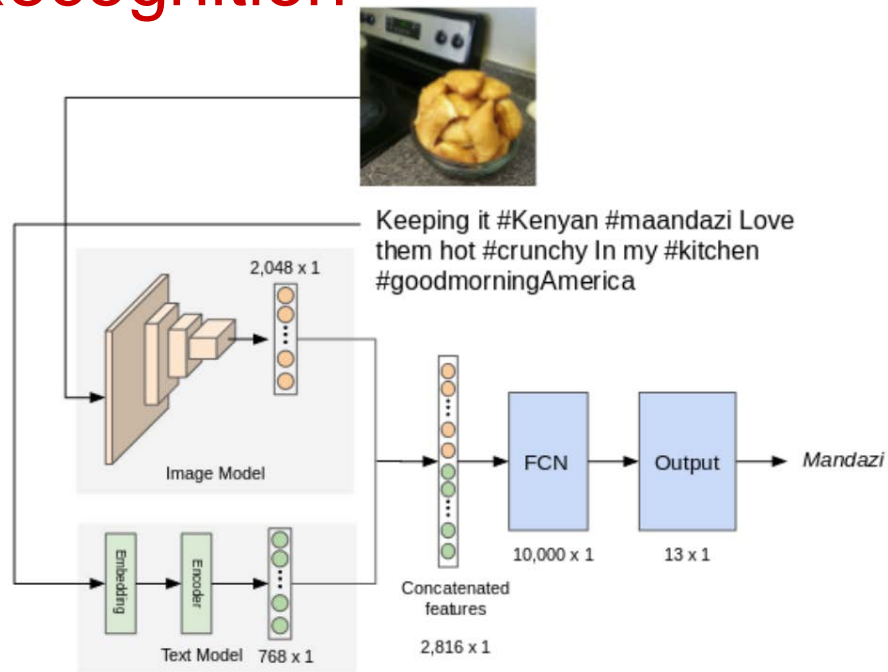


Kuku choma, 219

→ We performed expert manual inspection for finalizing the food type dataset

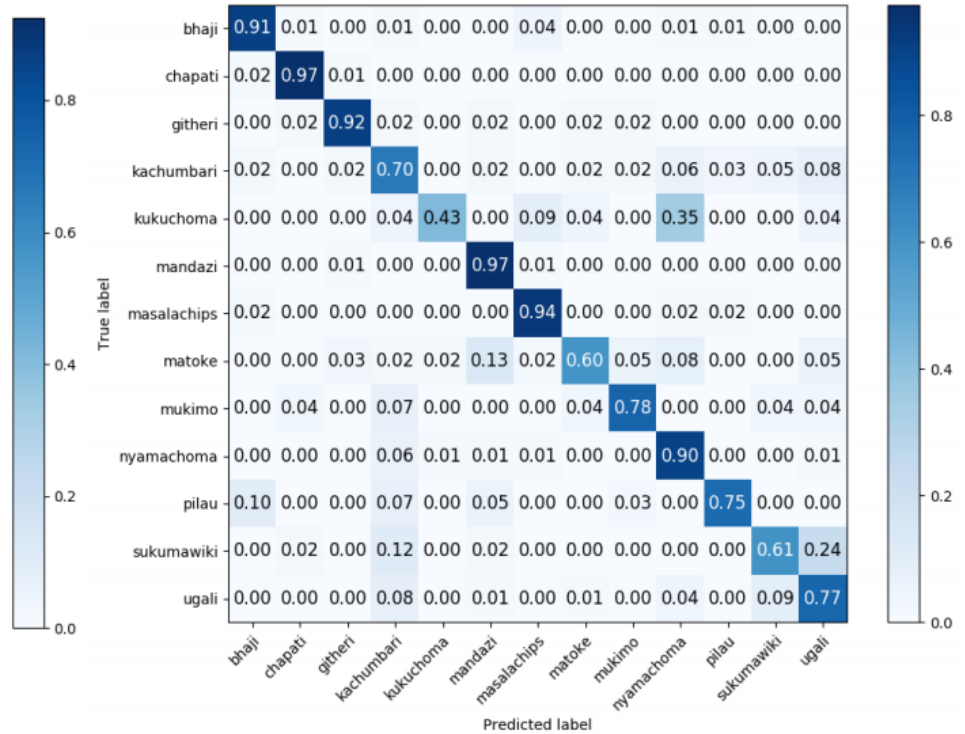
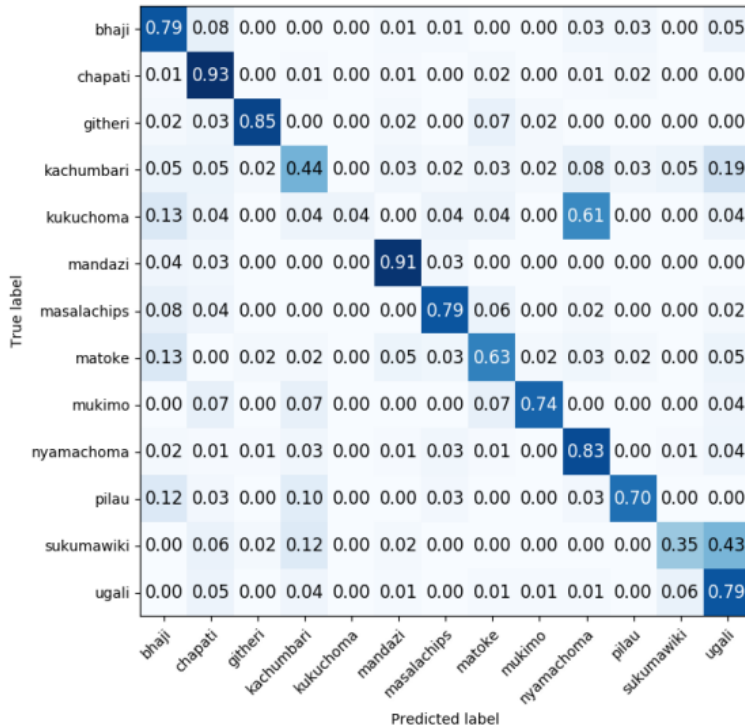
Architecture of Food Type Recognition

- We use BERT to extract feature vectors from image captions (length: 768)
- Image feature vector is created by ResNext101 (length: 2,048)
- Pretrained on ImageNet dataset



→ Eventually, we concatenate the language and image feature vectors using a fully connected network with 10K neurons and then pass it to an output layer with 13 classes.

Kenyan Food Type Recognition with/without Text



Some Preliminary Results on KenyanFood13

Method	Test Accuracy	
	Top-1	Top-3
Image only	73.18%± 0.79%	92.04%± 0.44%
Caption only	65.30%± 1.70%	83.68%± 1.55%
KenyanFTR: Image + Caption	81.04%± 0.86%	95.95%± 0.44%

Method	Test Accuracy	
	Top-1	Top-3
InceptionV3+BERT	71.92%± 1.52%	88.57%± 0.68%
InceptionV4+BERT	67.40%± 1.49%	85.05%± 1.93%
ResNet101+BERT	76.74%± 2.02%	93.71%± 1.18%
DenseNet161+BERT	79.02%± 0.96%	95.14%± 0.73%
KenyanFTR: ResNeXt101+BERT	81.04%± 0.86%	95.95%± 0.44%

Misclassifications when Trained on FCD and Tested on Kenyan104K



Non-food detected as food



Food detected as non-food

Most Confused Classes in KenyanFood13



- Computed the feature vector by chopping the last layer of a ResNet50
- Computed the L2 distance between each pair of feature vectors
- For example, Githeri and Matoke are visually very similar hence the L2 distance of their feature vectors are the smallest



Thank You

