

High-Quality Activity-Level Video Advertising

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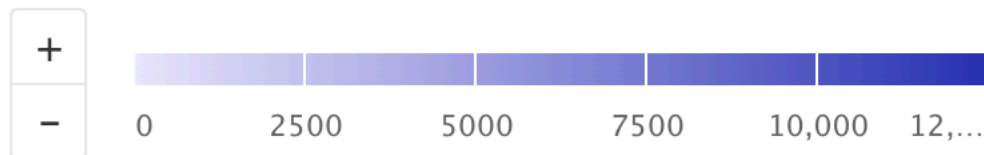
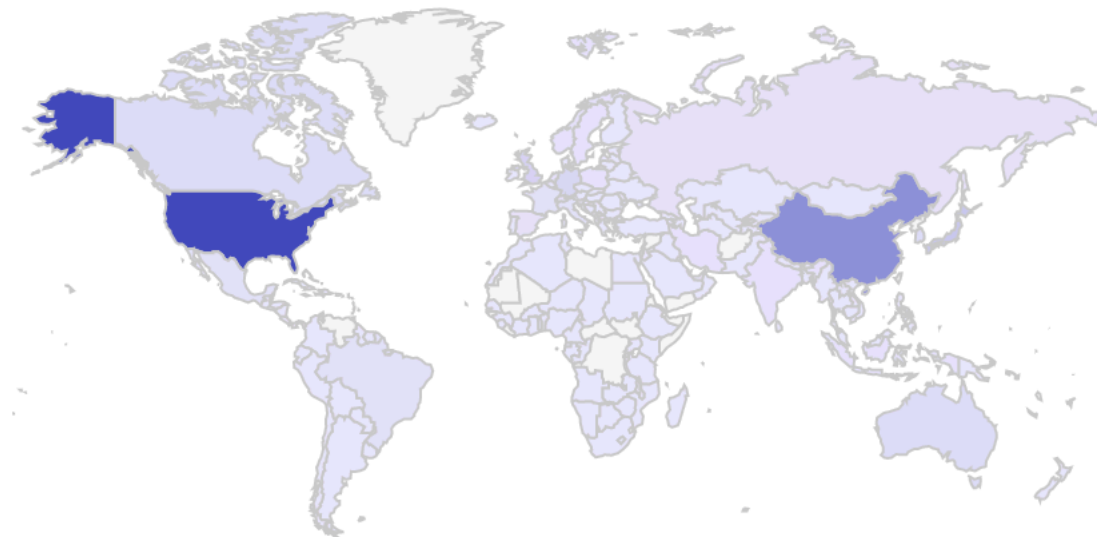


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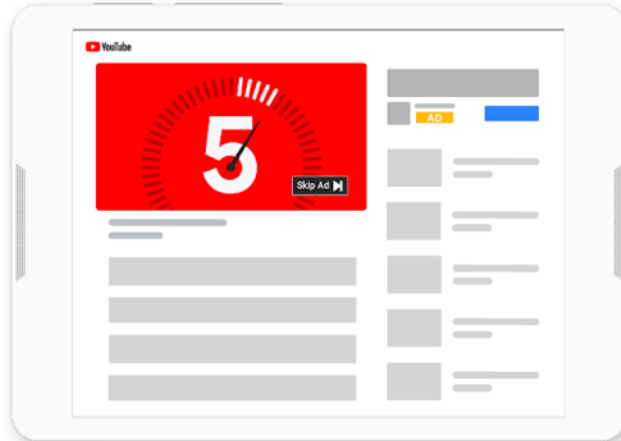
- **Introduction**
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Billion-Dollar Business 2020 Video Advertising Market Volume



Top 5	
1. 🇺🇸 United States	US\$10,857m
2. 🇨🇳 China	US\$5,897m
3. 🇯🇵 Japan	US\$2,153m
4. 🇬🇧 United Kingdom	US\$1,222m
5. 🇩🇪 Germany	US\$1,035m

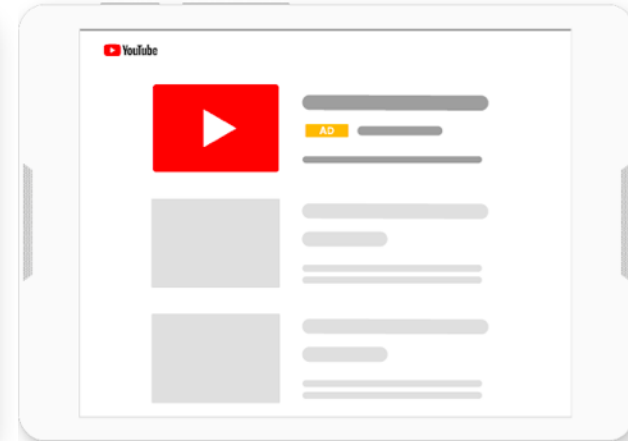
Video Advertising Formats



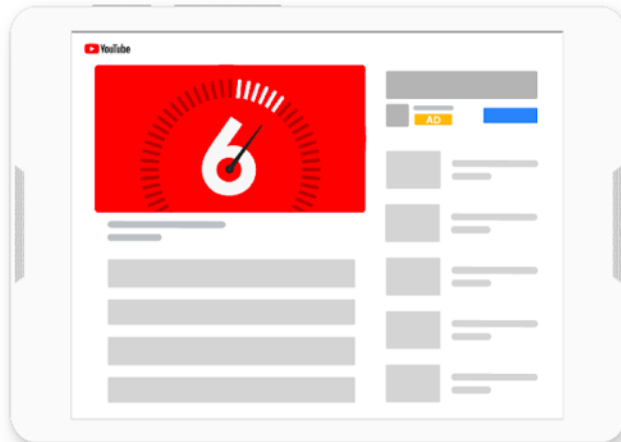
Skippable In-Stream Ads



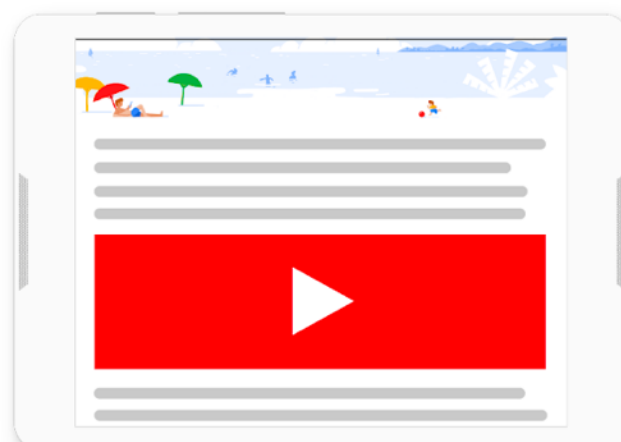
Non-Skippable In-Stream Ads



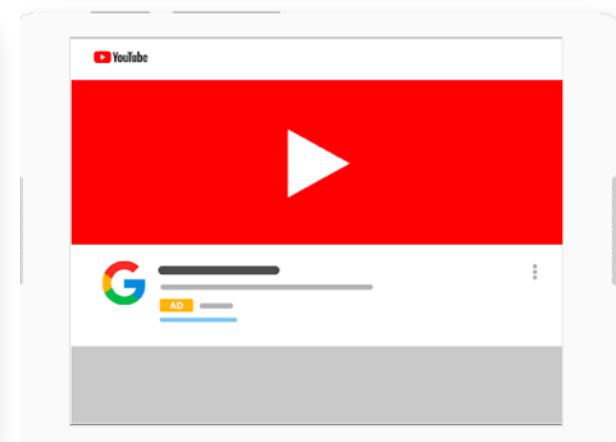
Video Discovery Ads



Bumper Ads

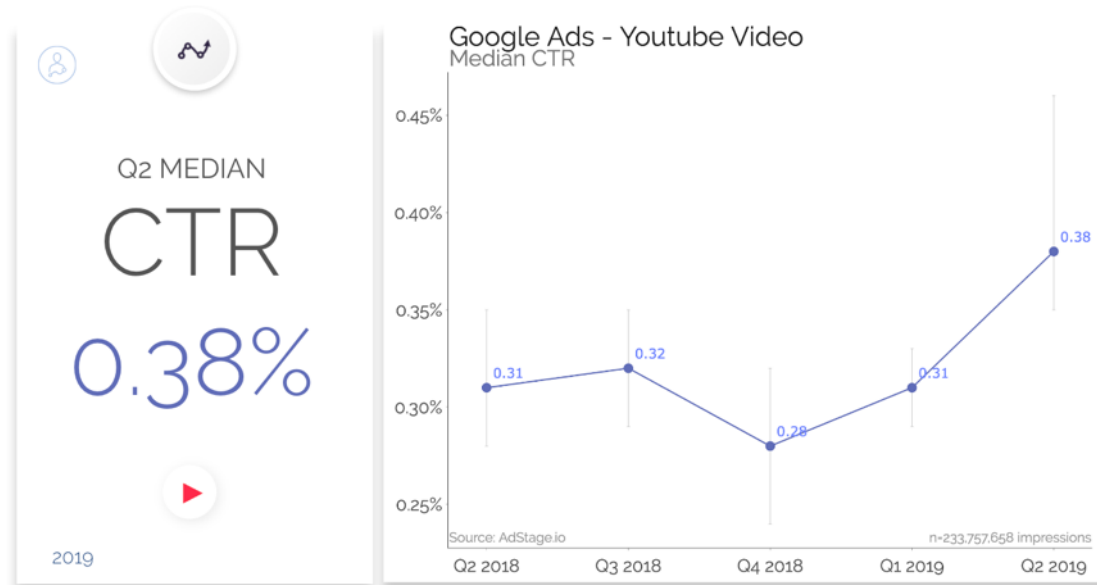


Out-Stream Ads

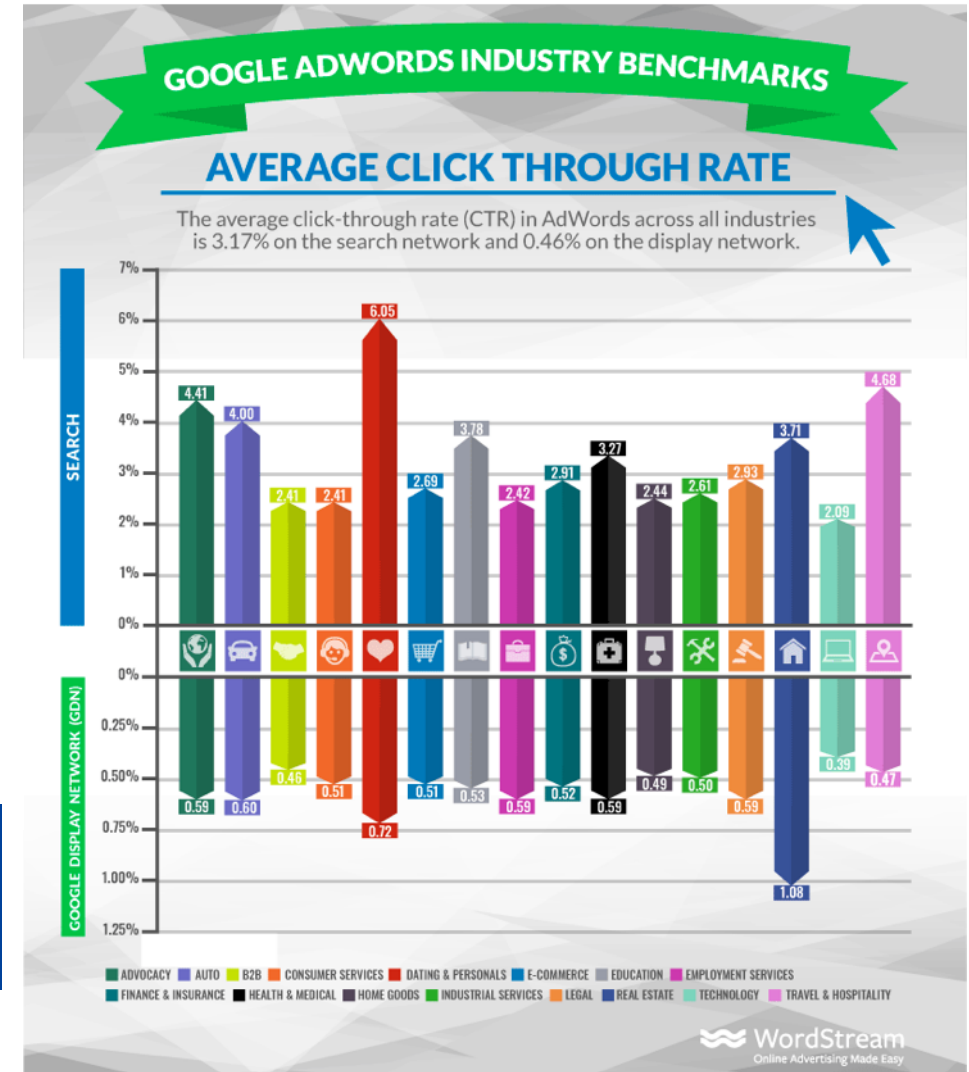


Masthead Ads

Low CTR Compared with Traditional Ads



Youtube 0.38% << AdWords 3.17%



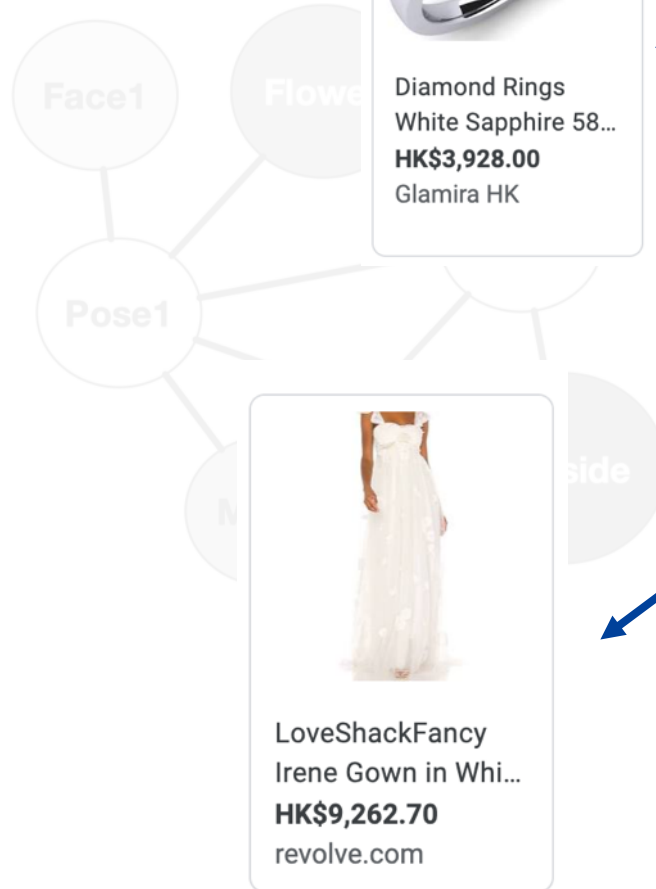
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Content-Related Video Advertising



Will you marry me?



Matched Ads Demands

Jewelry Company

Tourism Product

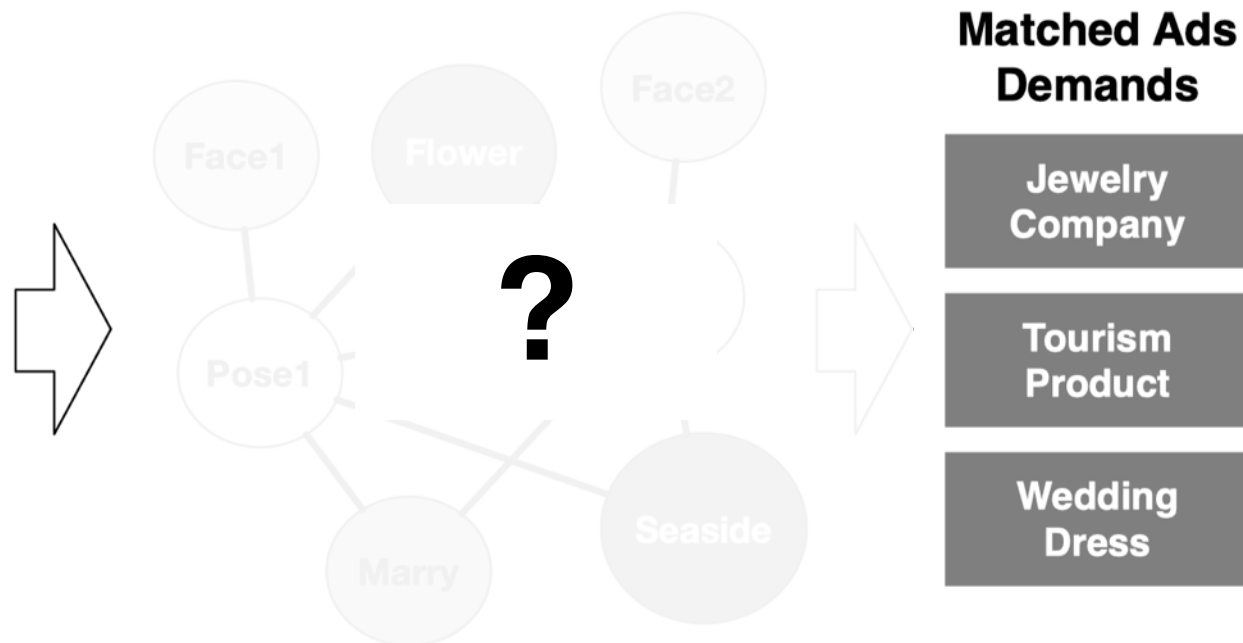
Wedding Dress



Content-Related Video Advertising



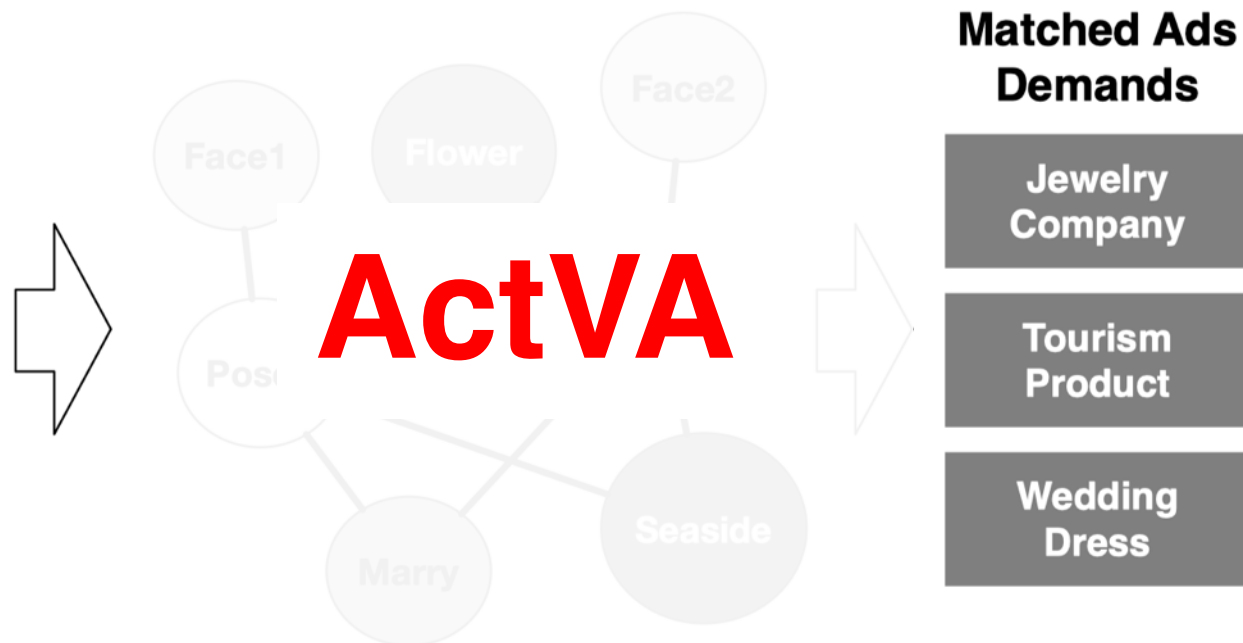
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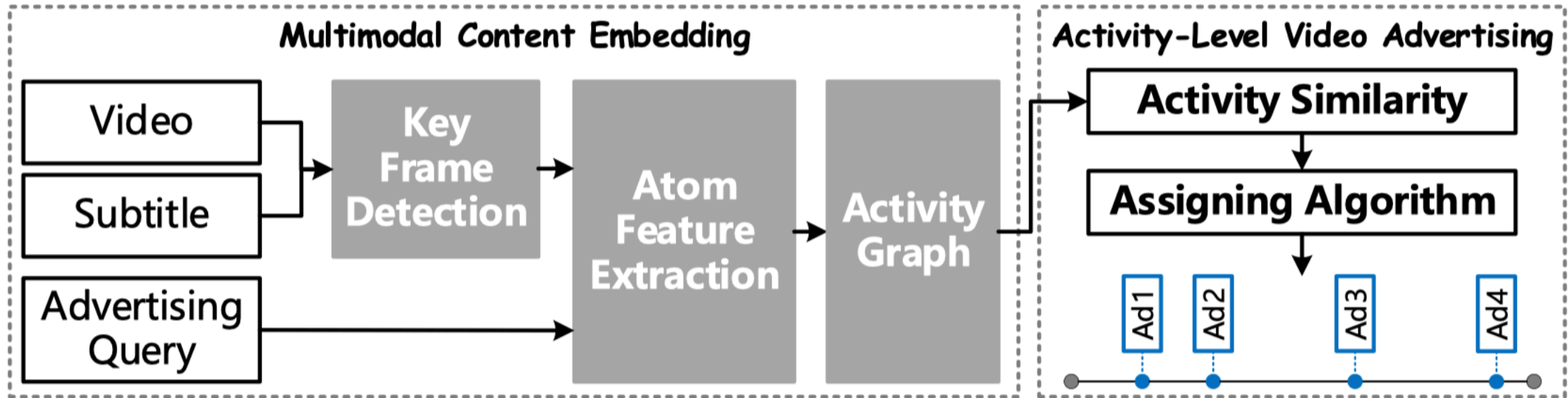
Activity-Level Video Advertising



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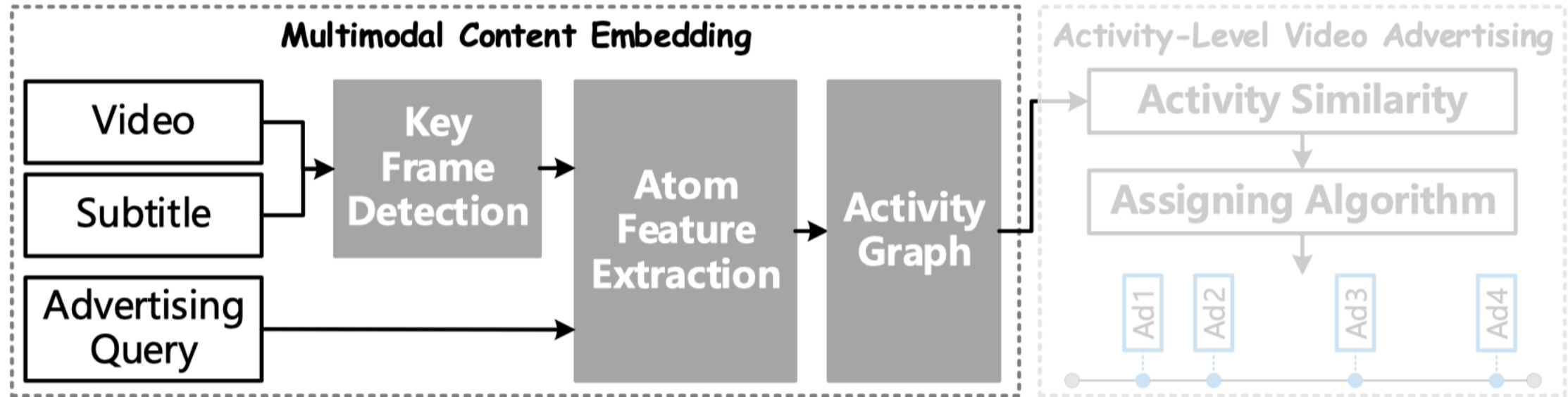


Activity-Level Video Advertising Main Contributions



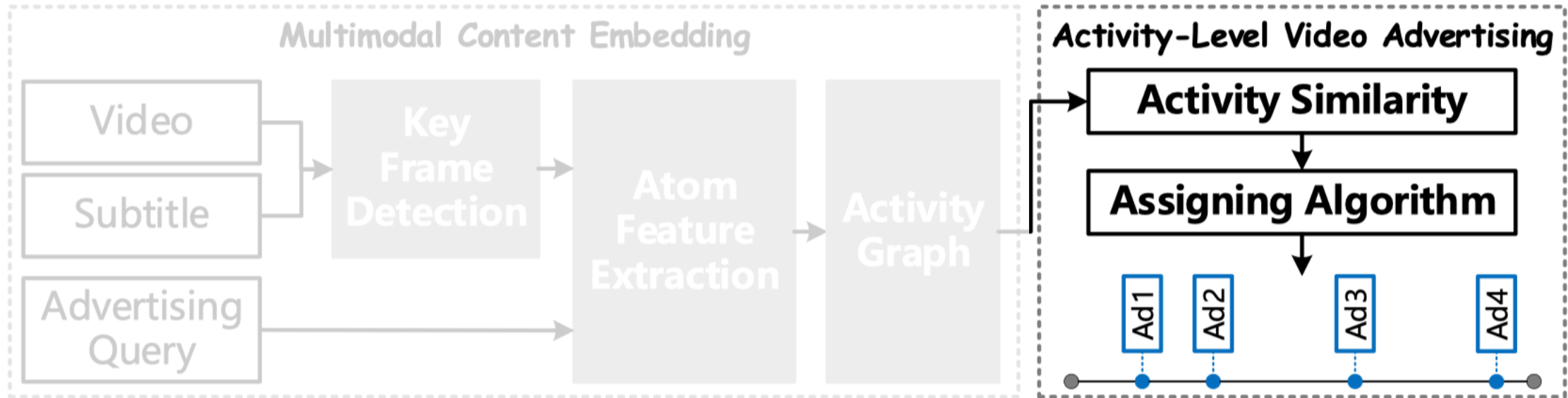
1. The first **non-predefined activity-level** video advertising system;
2. Effective algorithm for optimizing advertising service over **content relevance, revenue and intrusiveness perception**.

Activity-Level Video Advertising System Framework



Step#1: Find possible ads positions.

Activity-Level Video Advertising System Framework

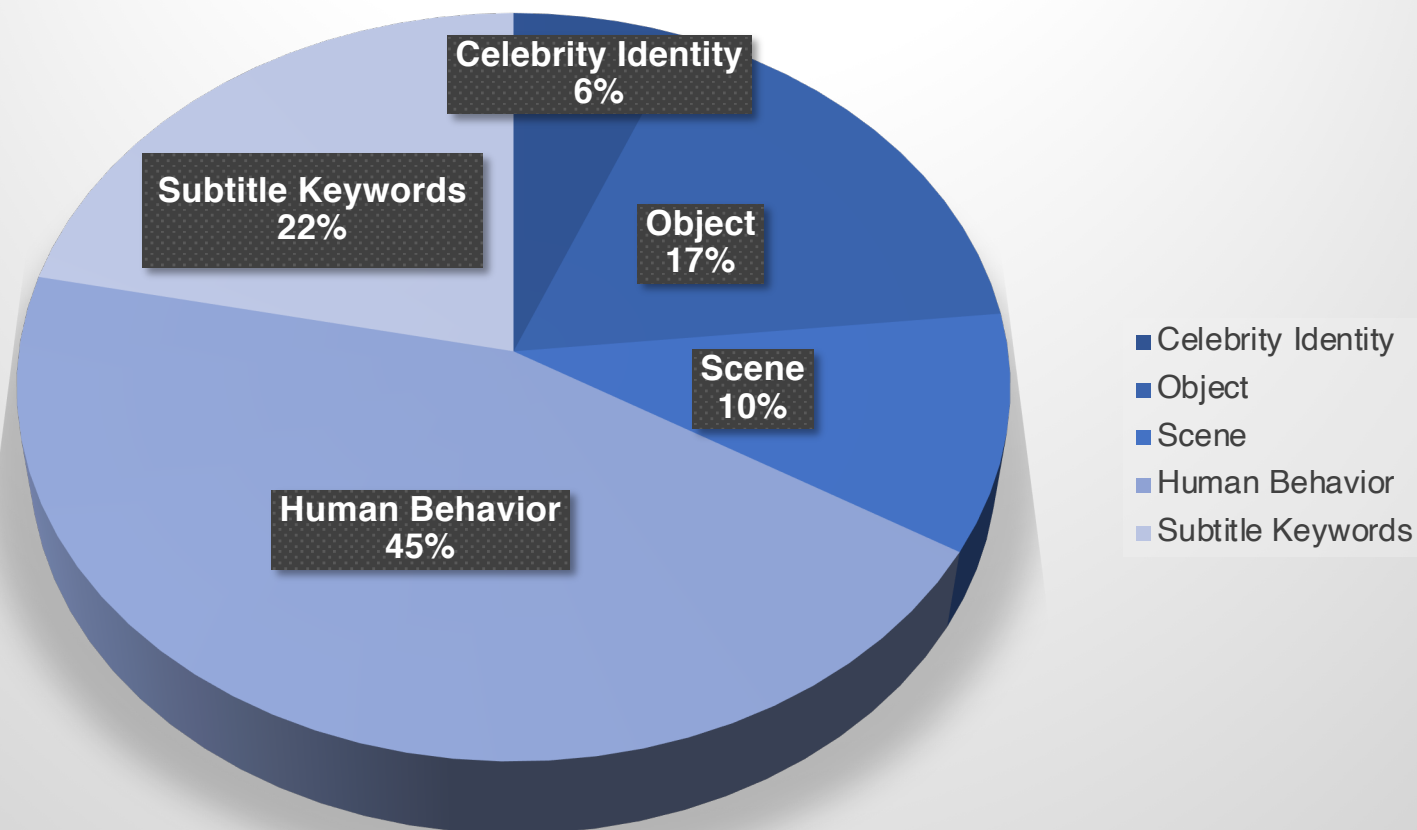


Step#2: Assign ads properly.

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Market Research @ Tencent 150 Content-Targeted Advertising Needs

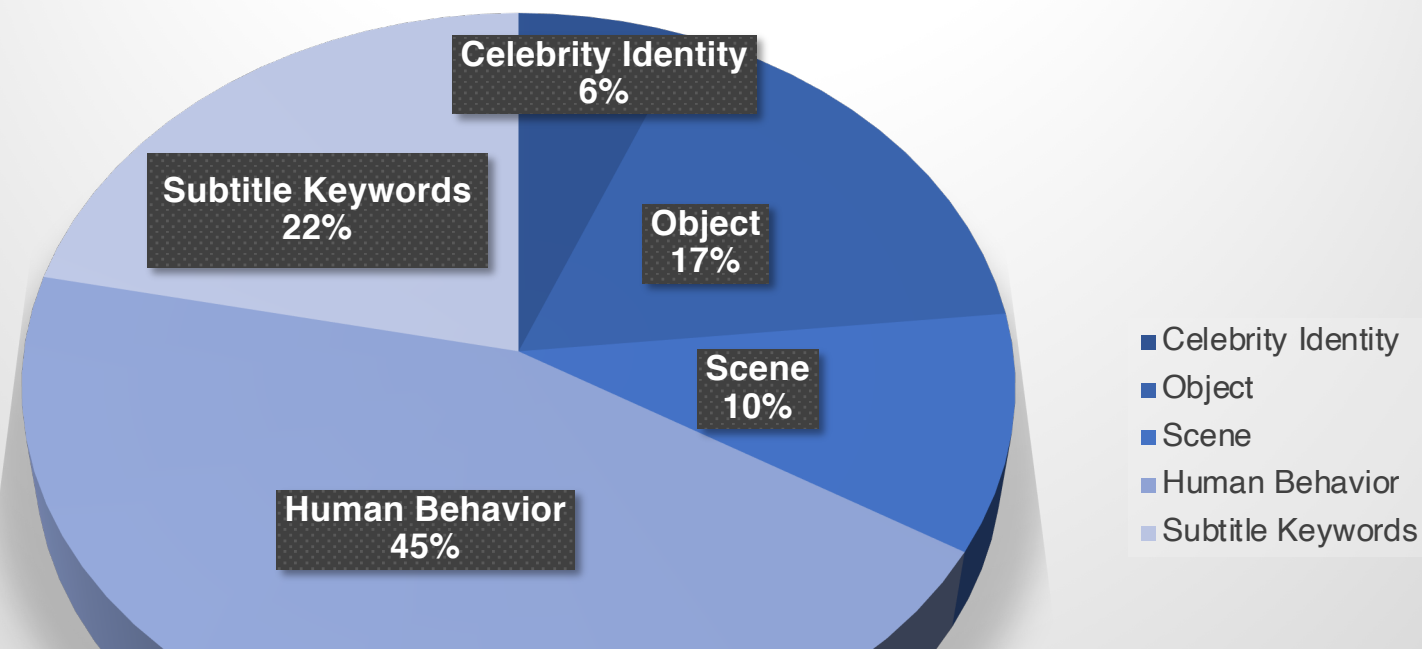
Necessary Information for Ads Demands



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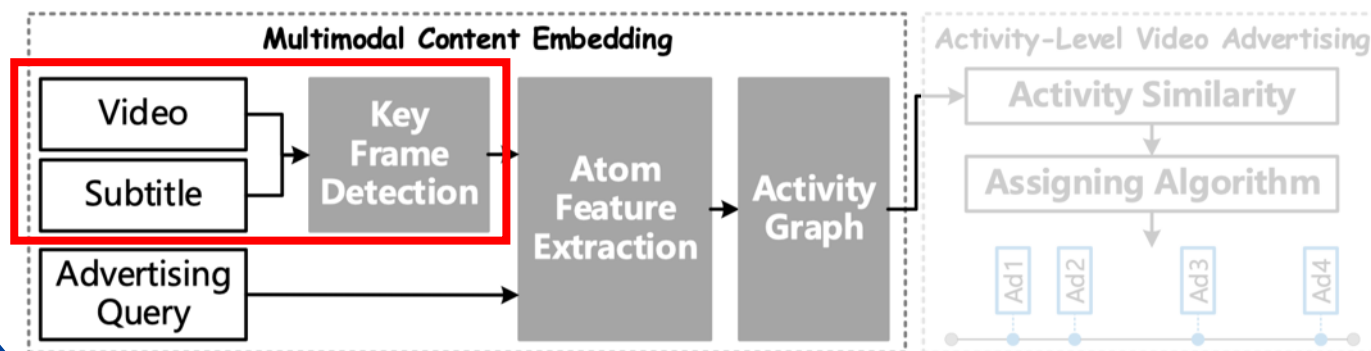
150 Content-Targeted Advertising Demands

Necessary Information for Ads Demands



Both visual & textual information matter.

Key Frame Detection

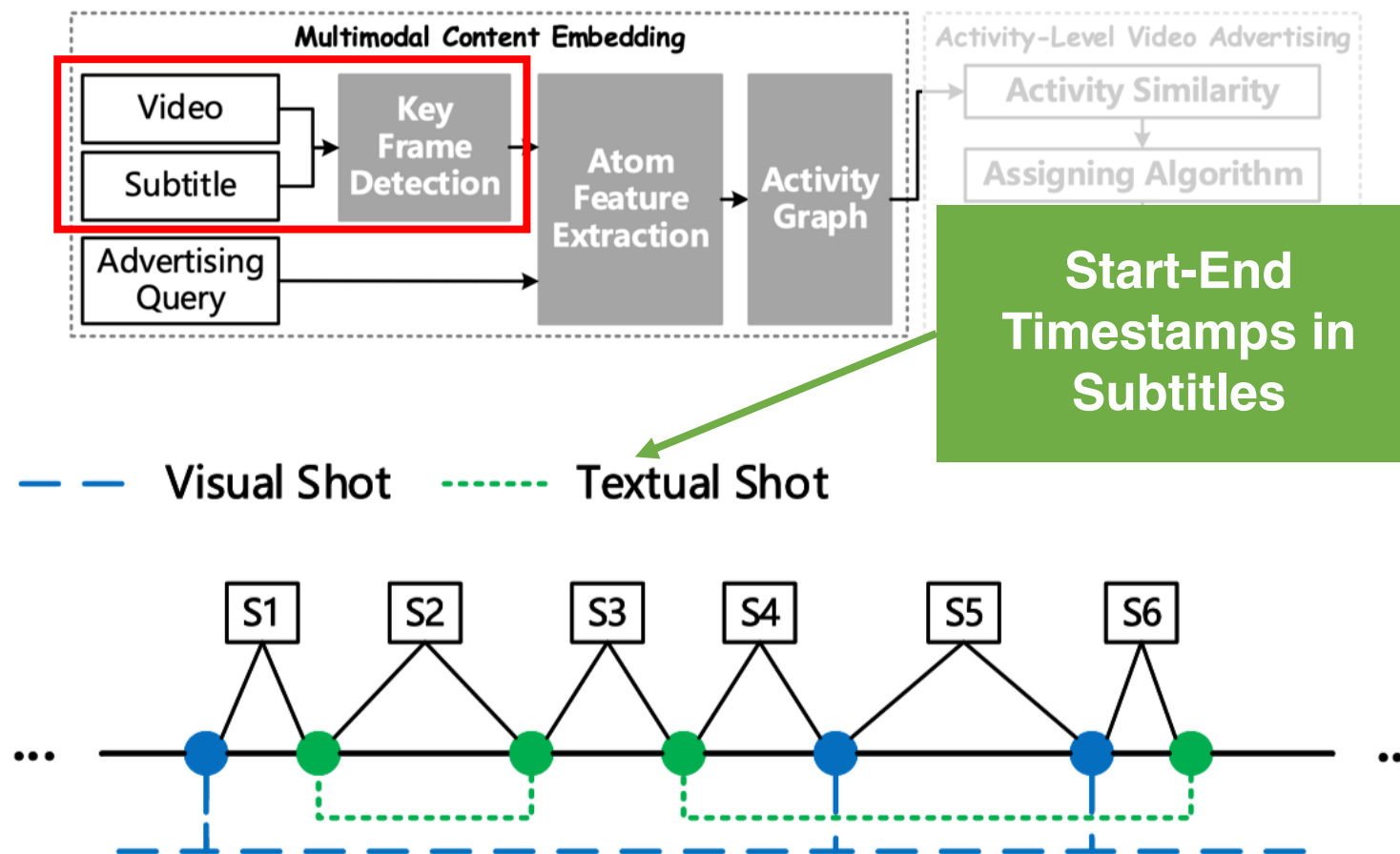


Color-Histogram
based Shot
Detection

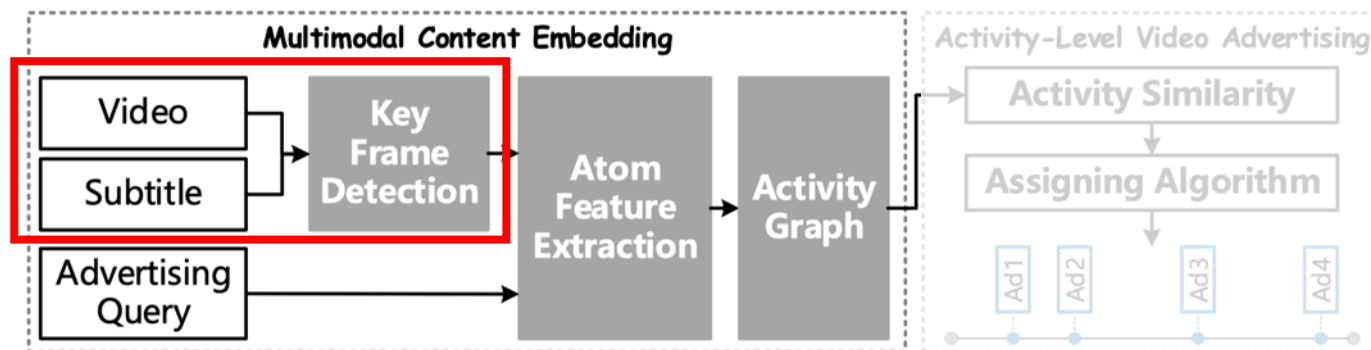
— Visual Shot - - - Textual Shot



Key Frame Detection



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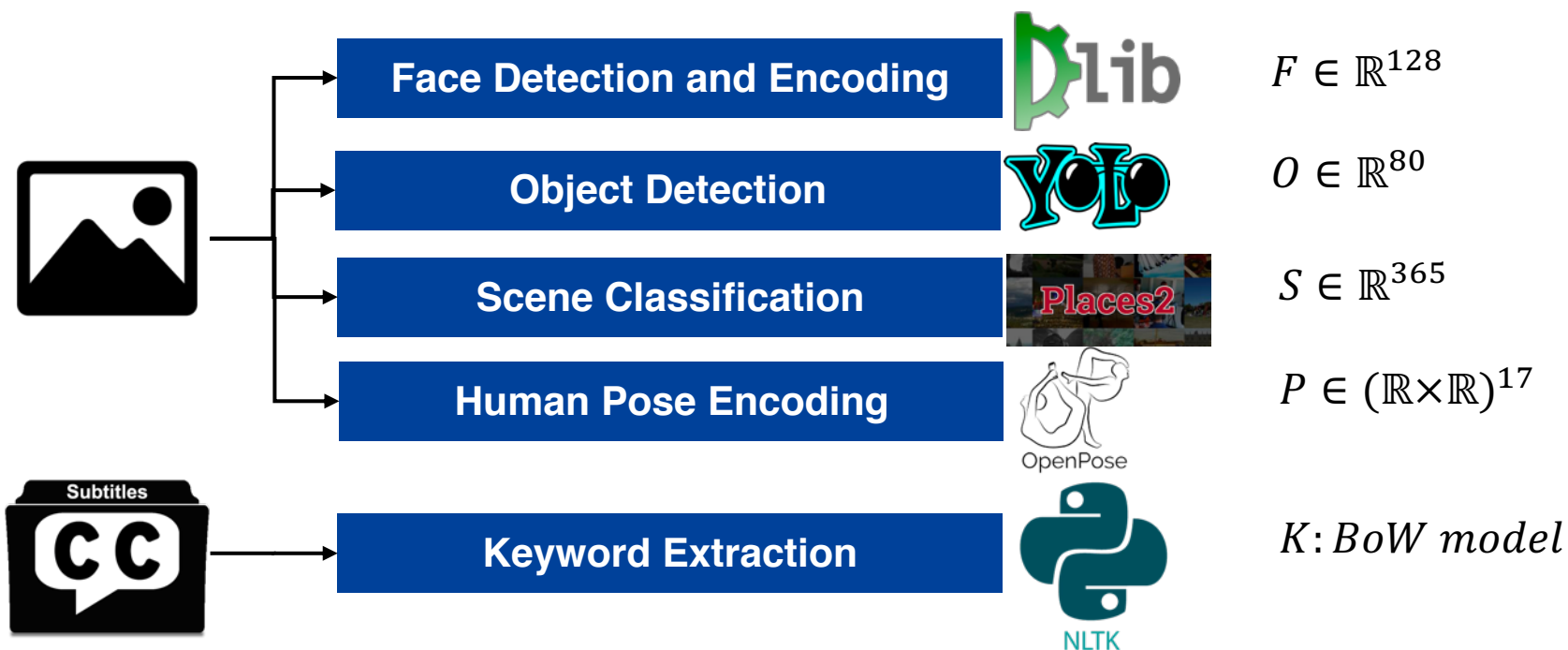
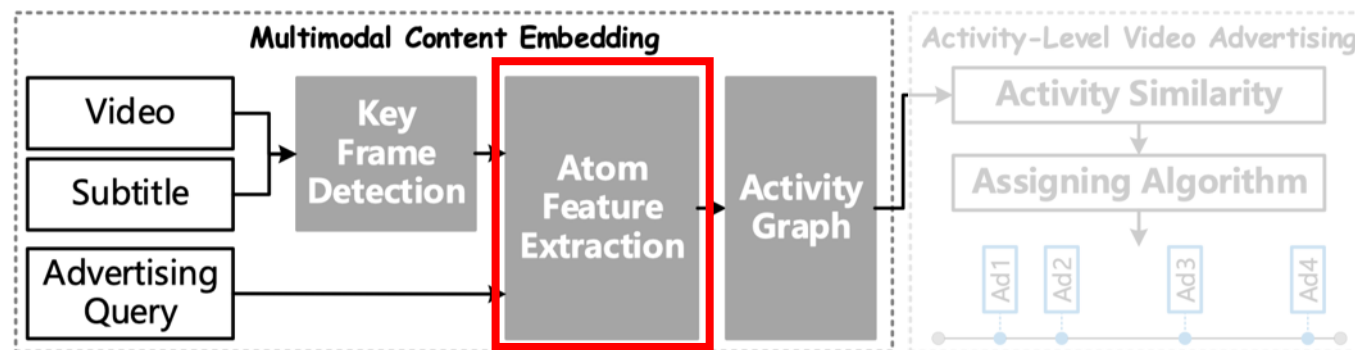


Semantic Shots
uniformly k-sampling
in each shot

Multimodal Content Embedding



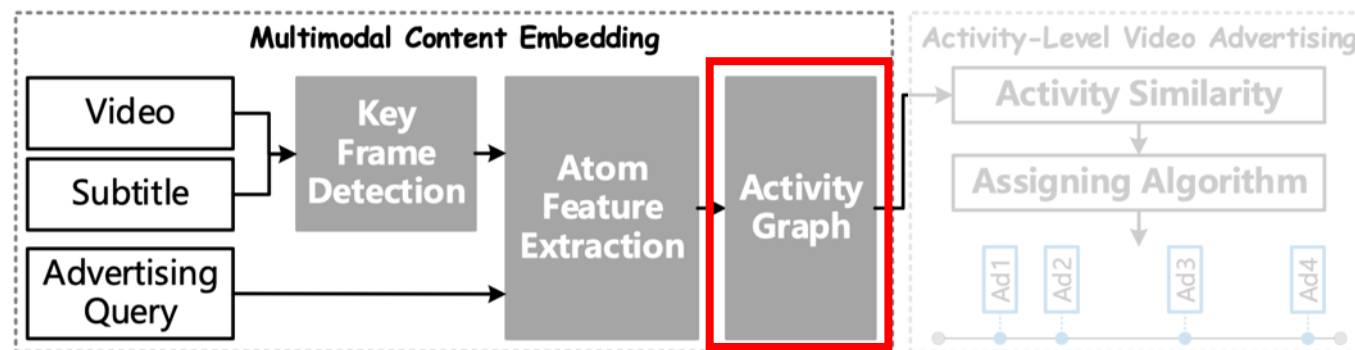
Atom Feature Extraction



Multimodal Content Embedding



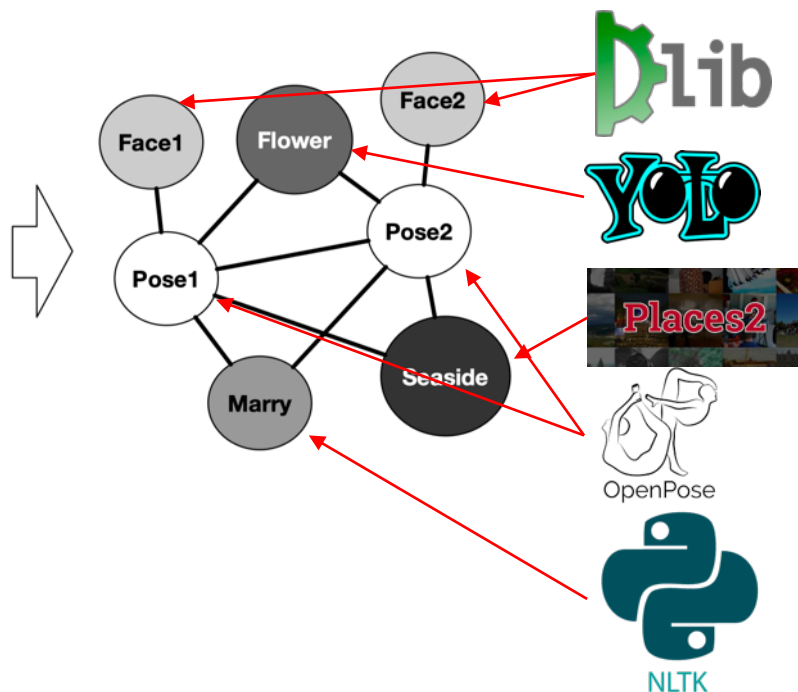
Activity Graph Representation



Vertices



Will you marry me?



$$F \in \mathbb{R}^{128}$$

$$O \in \mathbb{R}^{80}$$

$$S \in \mathbb{R}^{365}$$

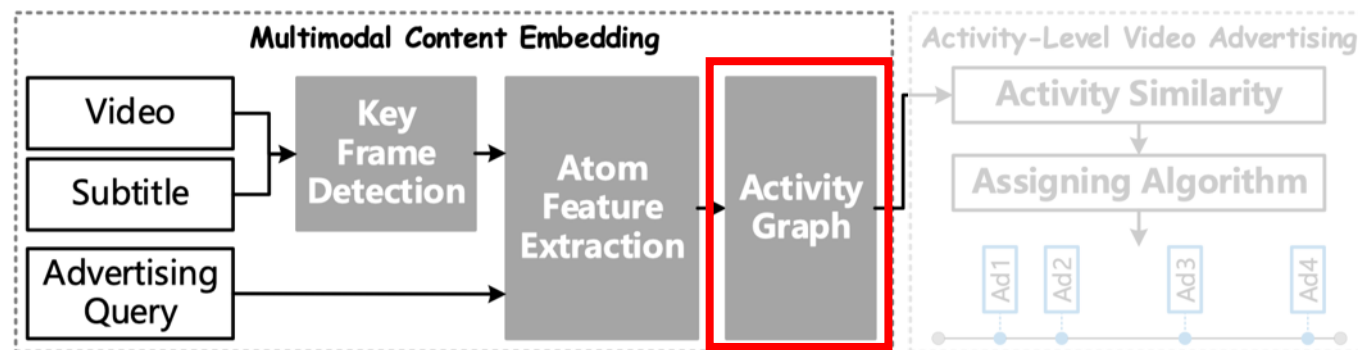
$$P \in (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})^{17}$$

K : BoW model

Multimodal Content Embedding



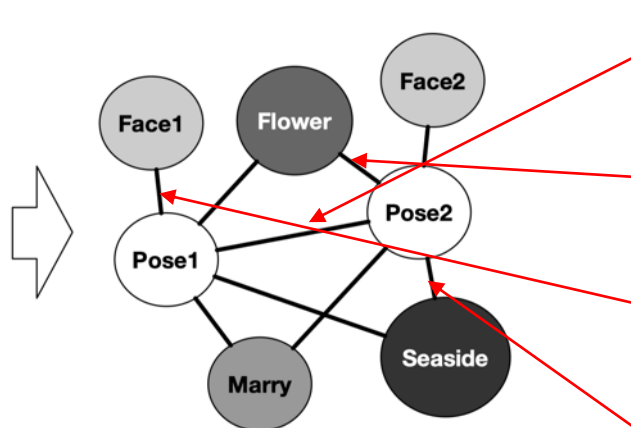
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Edges



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Pose-Pose Interaction

Pose-Object Interaction

Pose-Face Matching

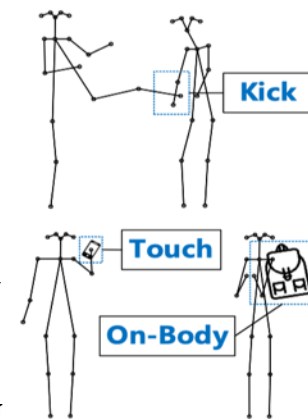
Pose-Scene Correlation

$$R_{pp}: P \times P \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$R_{po}: P \times O \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

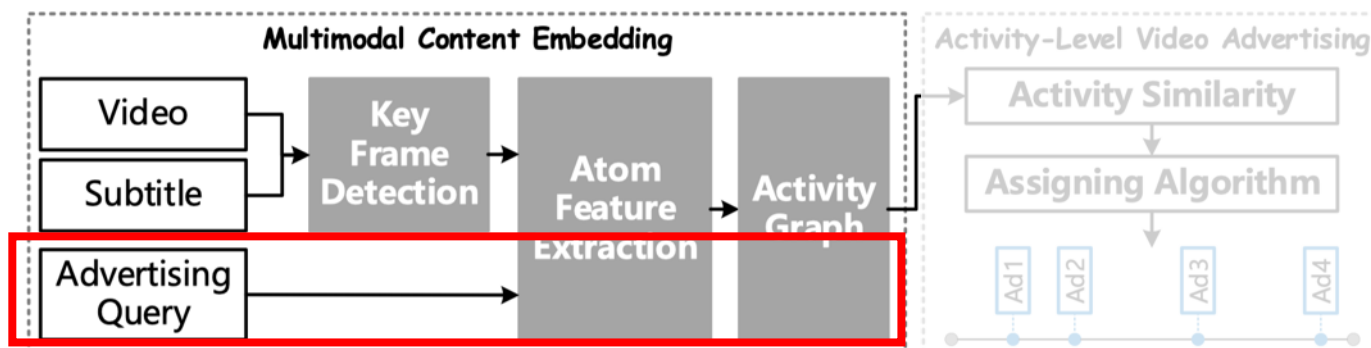
$$R_{pf}: P \times F \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$R_{ps}: P \times S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

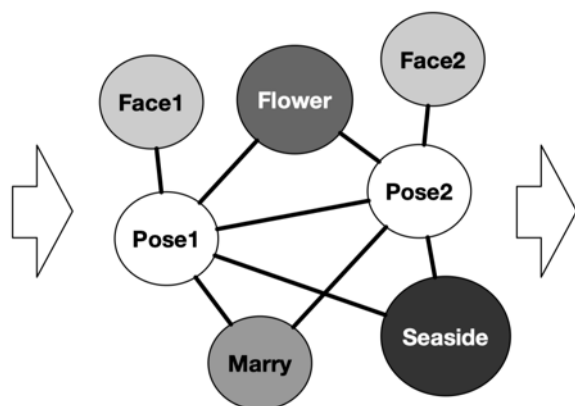


(b) Interaction samples.

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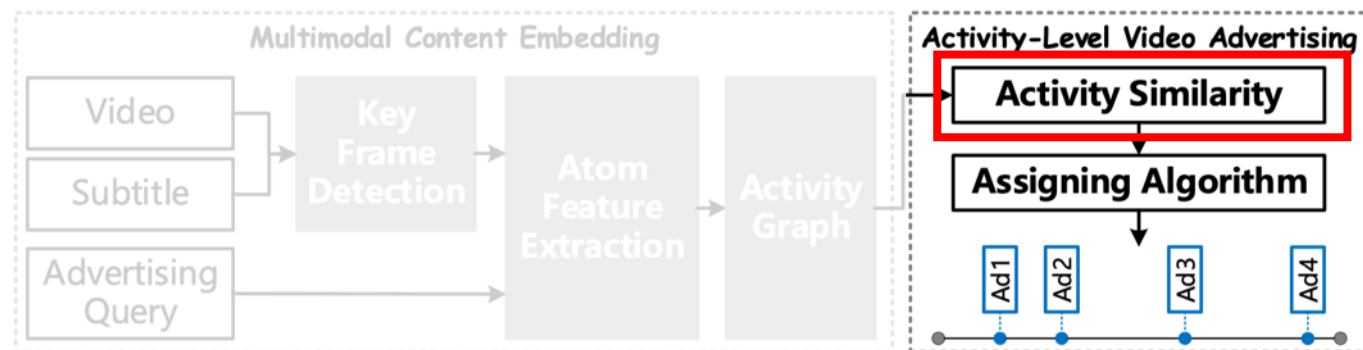
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marry, travel, jewelry, ...

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Activity Similarity



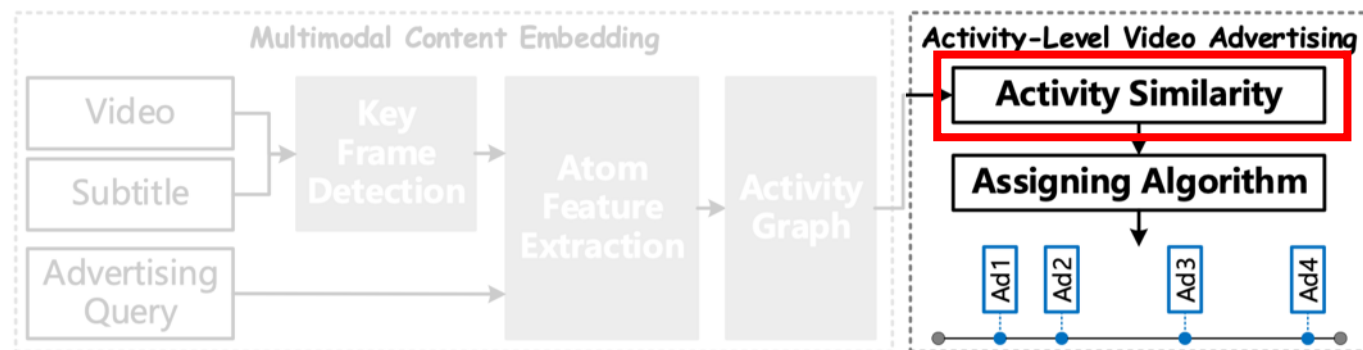
Face / Human Pose
 $x = (encoding, confidence)$

Atom-Feature / Vertex Similarity

$$s_1(x_1, x_2) = 1 - \frac{1}{|enc_1|} \sum_{\substack{e_i \in enc_1 \\ c_i \in conf_1}} \min_{\substack{e_j \in enc_2 \\ c_j \in conf_2}} \frac{\theta_1 \|e_i - e_j\|_2}{(1 + \min(c_i, c_j))}$$

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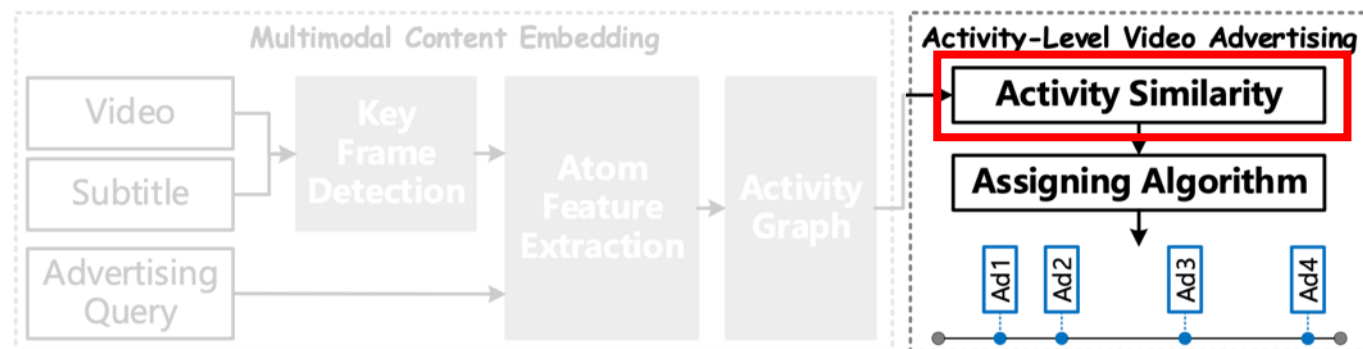
Object / Scene / Keyword
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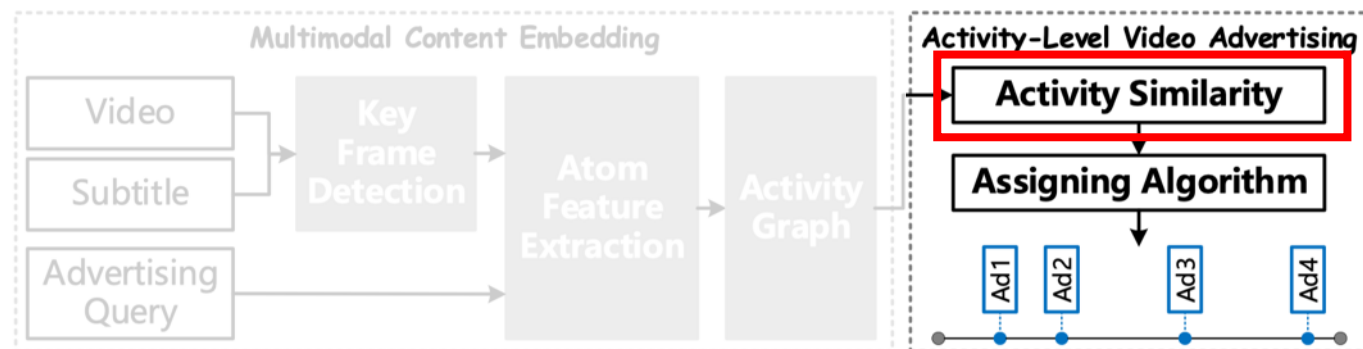
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Pose-Scene
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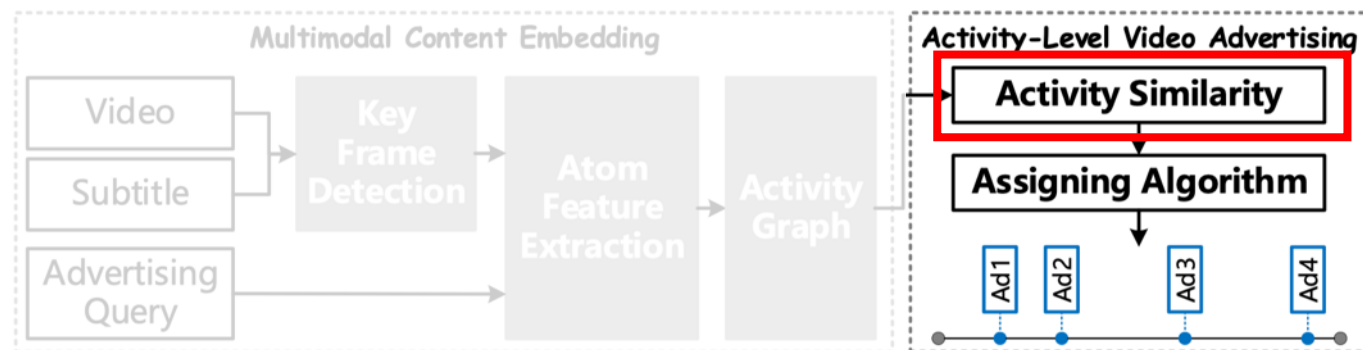
**Pose-Pose / Pose-Object
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$$S(g_1, g_2) = \sum w_i s_i(g_1, g_2)$$

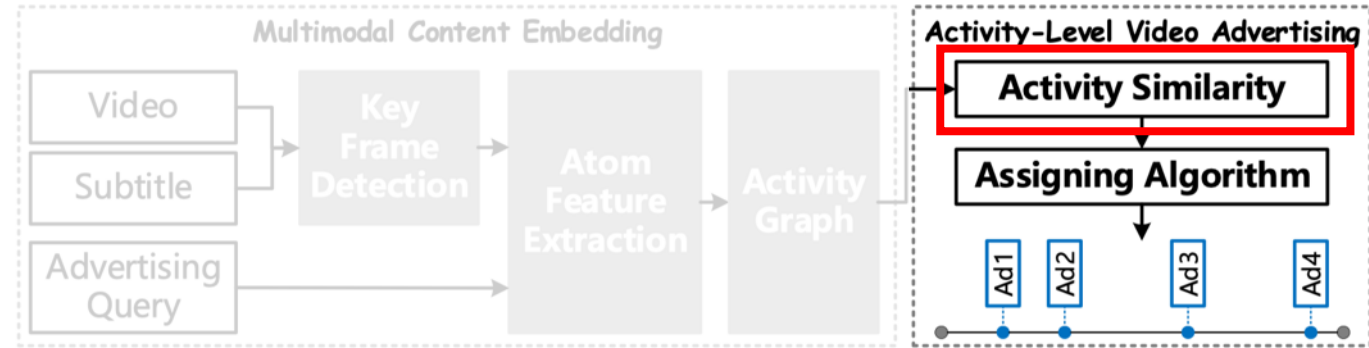
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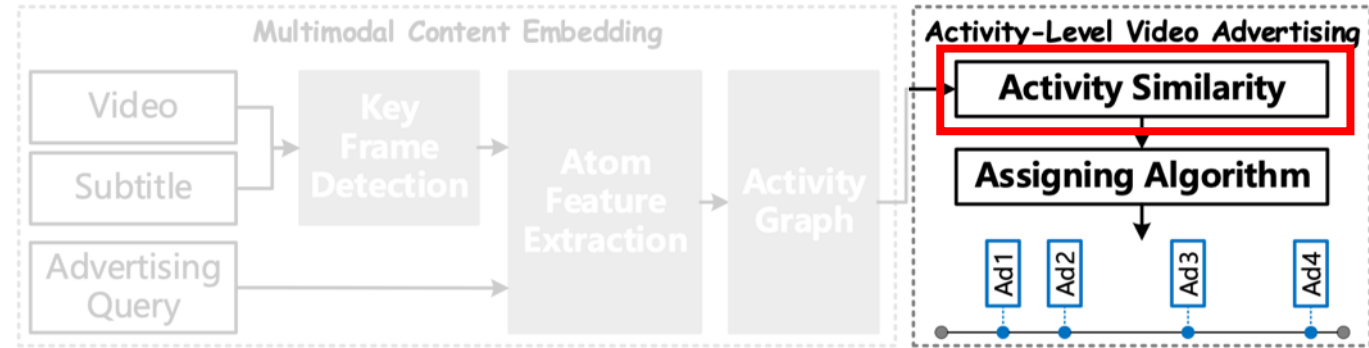
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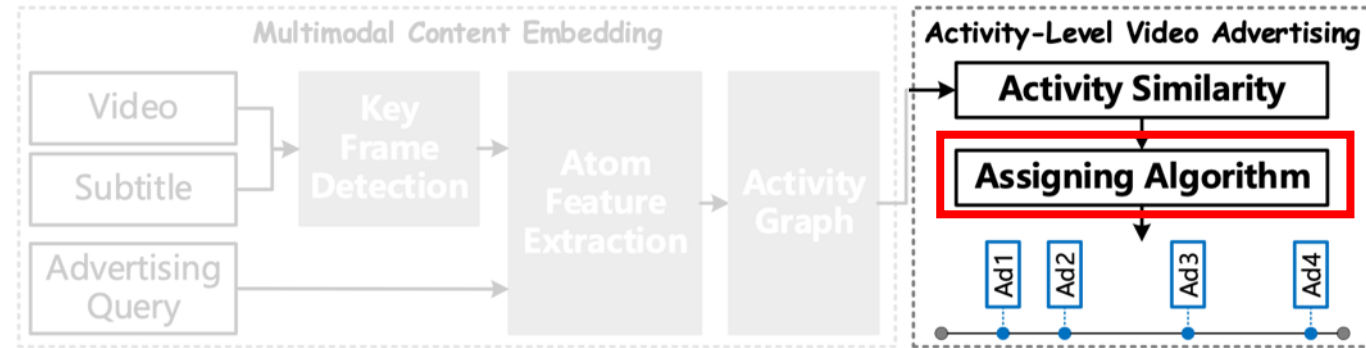


Activity Similarity



Scene: Airport

Ads Assignment

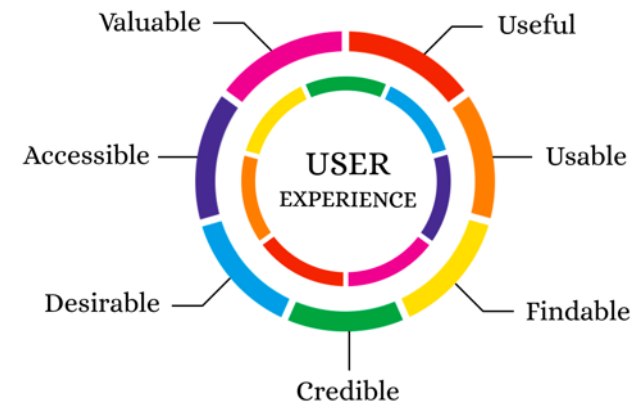


Ads Revenue

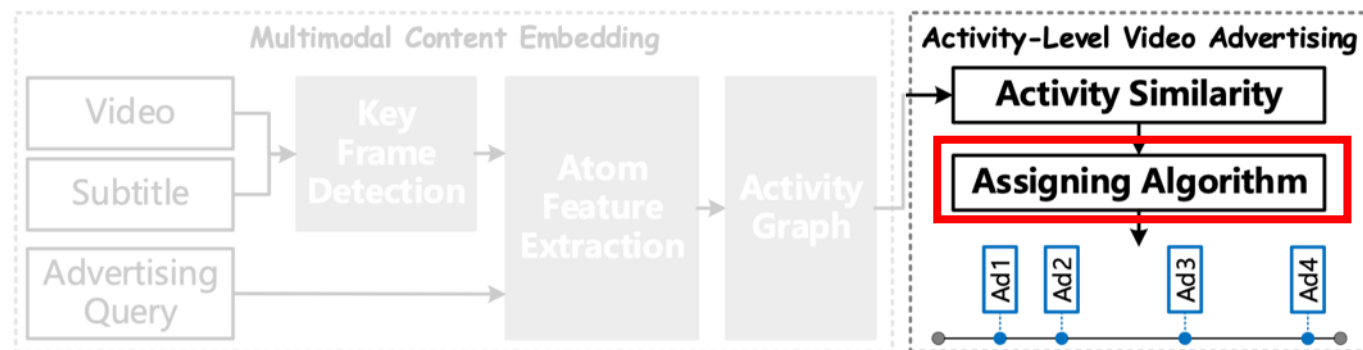


VS.

User Experience



Ads Assignment: Ads Revenue



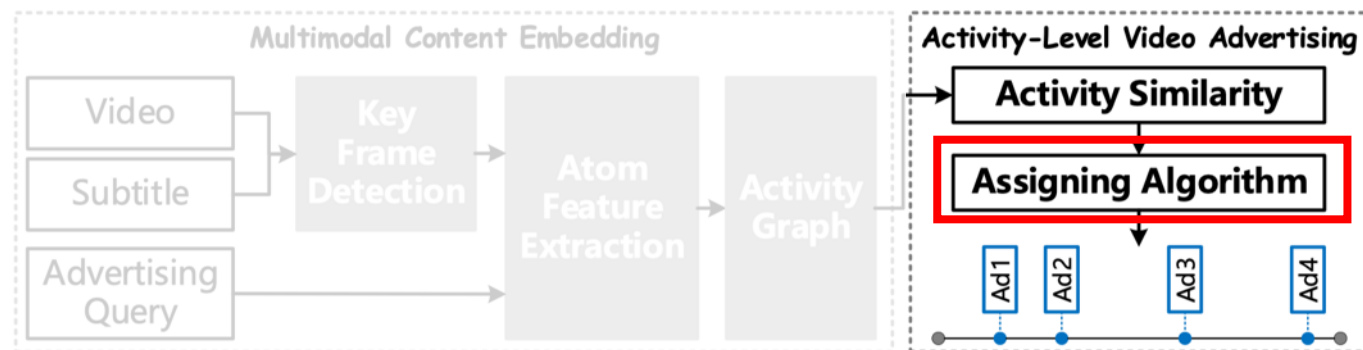
Ads Revenue



$$f(\boxed{S}) = \sum_{(x_i, y_j) \in S} r_j s(x_i, y_j)$$

The subset of selected ads assignments.

Ads Assignment: Ads Revenue



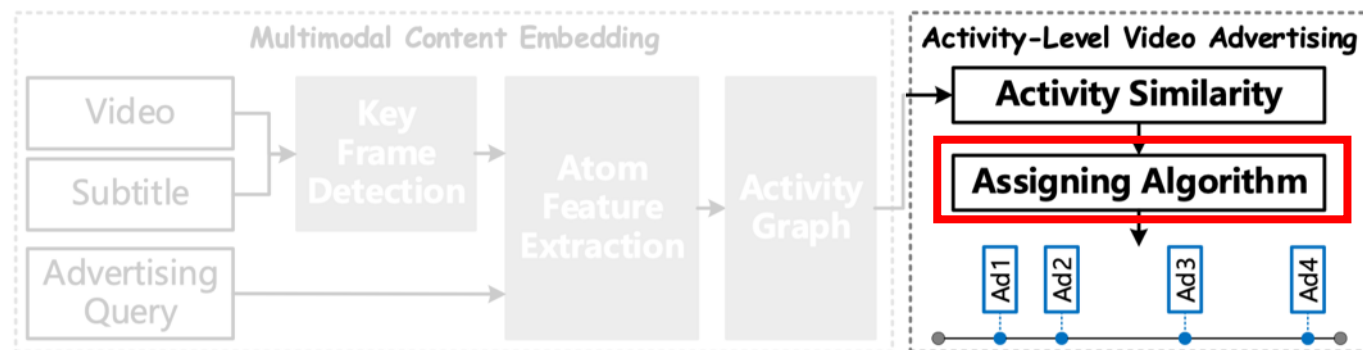
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An assignment is a pair of
key frame and **ad query**.

Ads Assignment: Ads Revenue



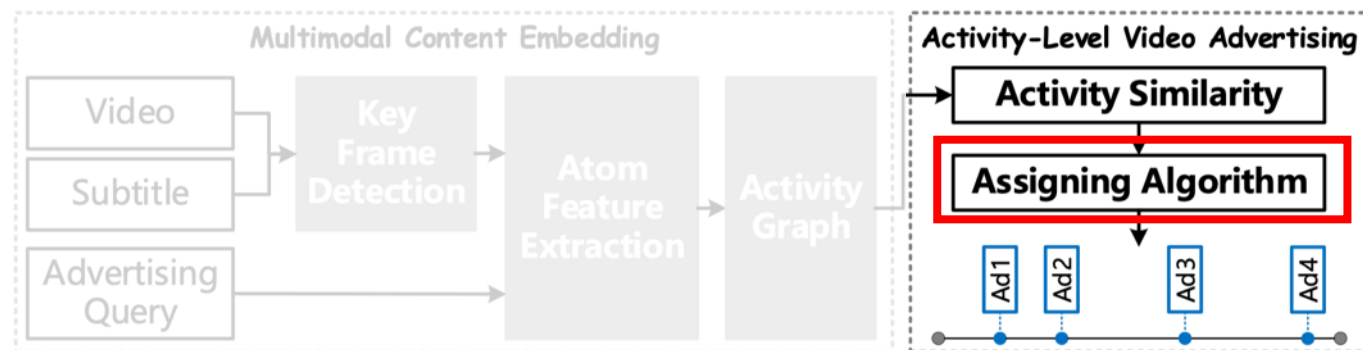
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Activity similarity between the key frame and ad query.

Ads Assignment: Ads Revenue



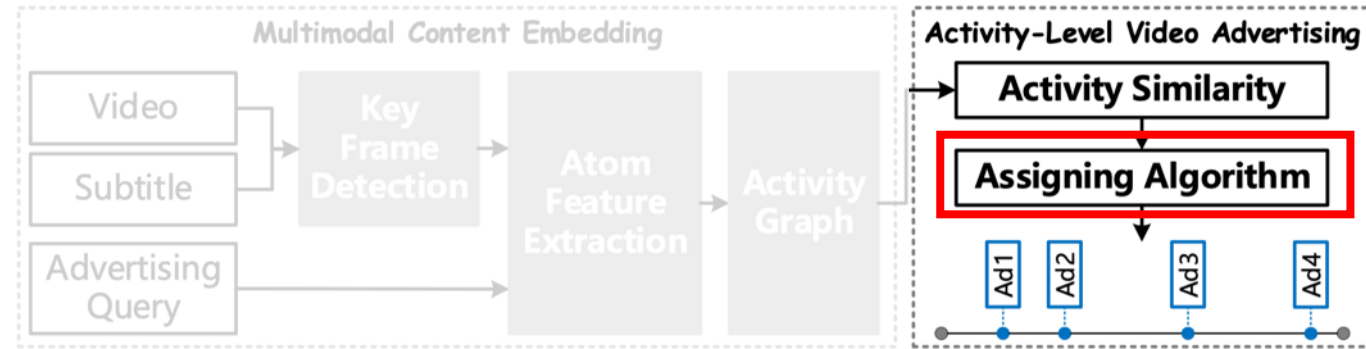
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Query-j revenue.

Ads Assignment: Intrusiveness Perception

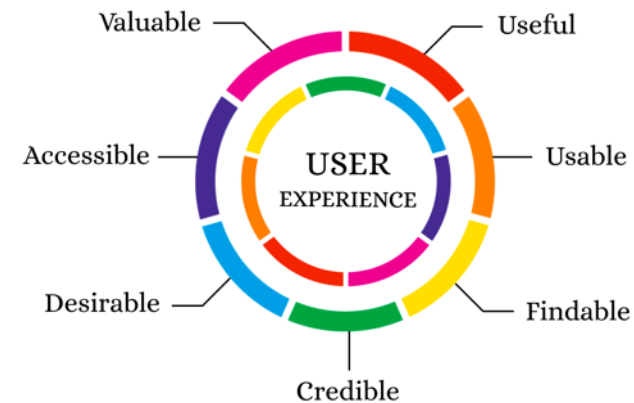


Intrusiveness Distribution Function

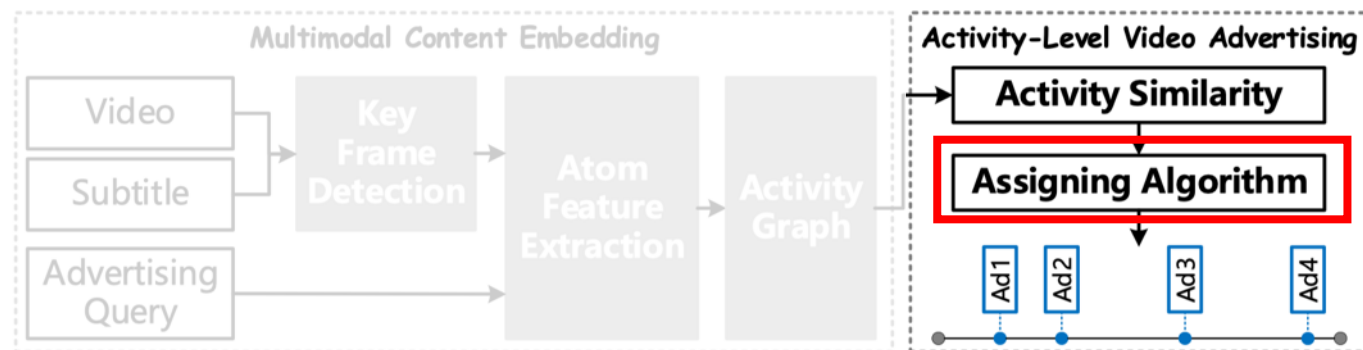
$$g(t|S) = 0, 0 \leq t \leq t_1$$

The intrusiveness of ads is the function over **viewing time** given an assigning output.

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Ads Assignment: Intrusiveness Perception

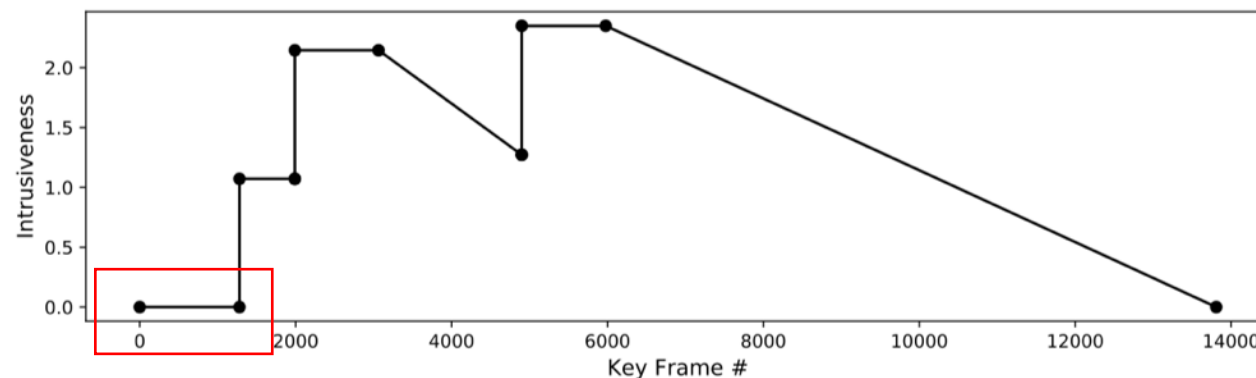


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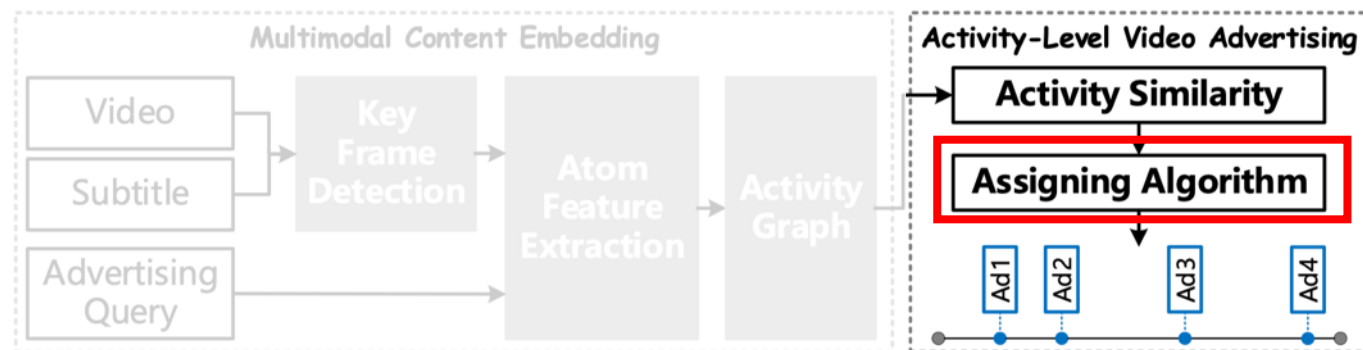
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Before the first ad,
the intrusiveness is 0.

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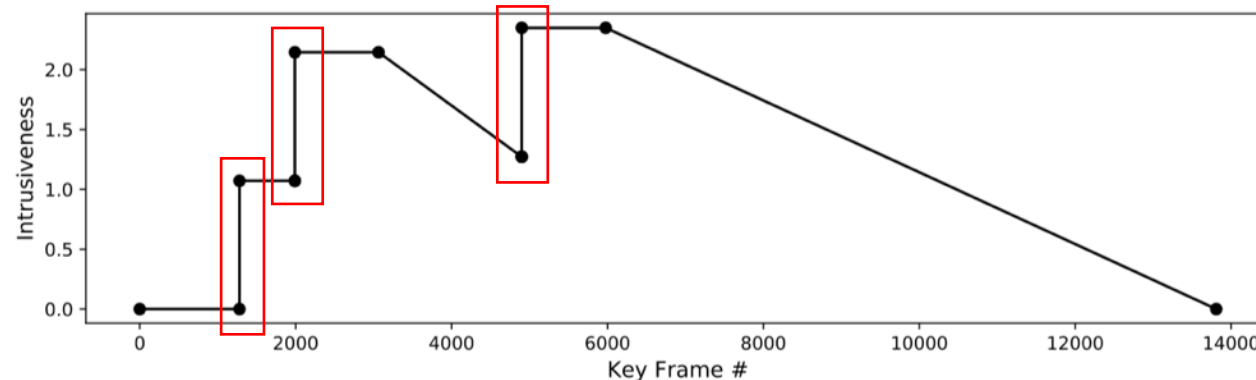
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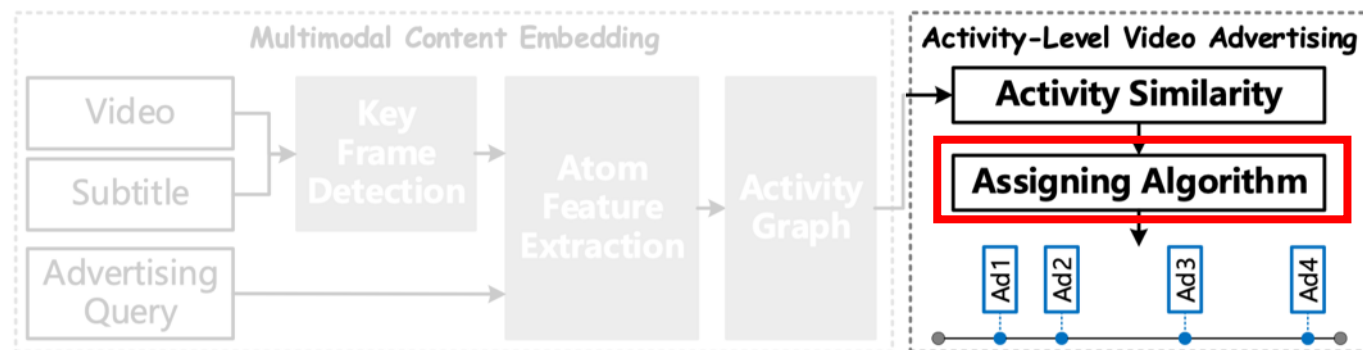
$$g(t|S) = g(t_i) + \frac{\alpha}{s(p_i)}, t_i < t \leq t_{i+1}$$

The **incremental intrusiveness** of a new ad is inversely proportional to the content similarity.

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Ads Assignment: Intrusiveness Perception



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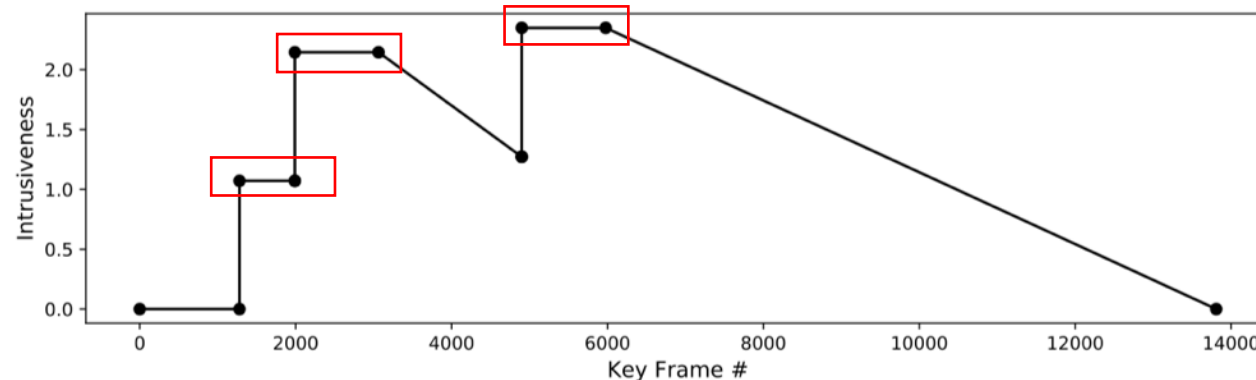
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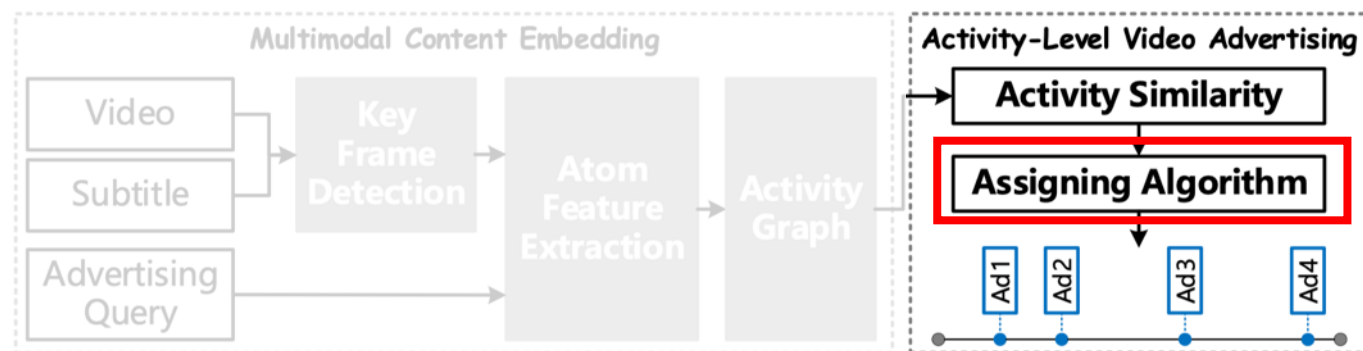
$$g(t|S) = g(t_i) + \frac{\alpha}{s(p_i)} - \gamma(t - t_i - \frac{\beta}{s(p_i)})$$

The duration of high intrusive perception is also inversely proportional to the similarity score.

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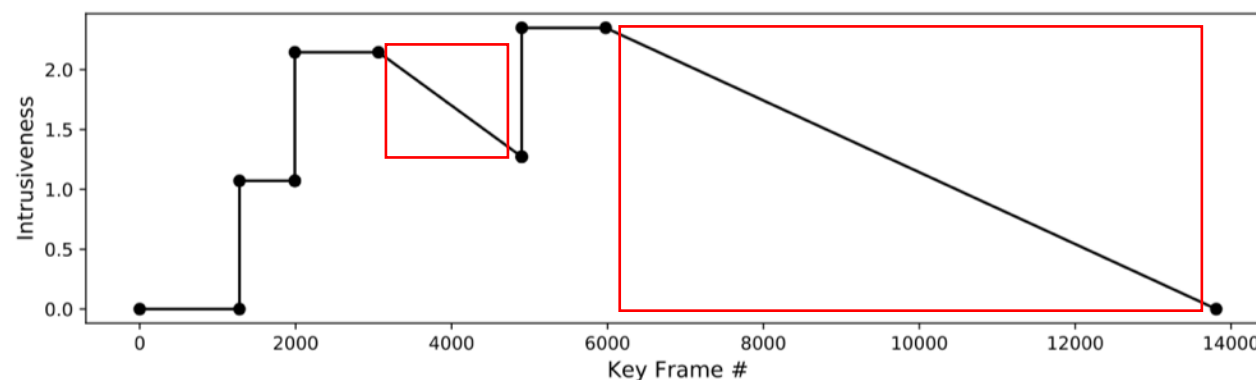
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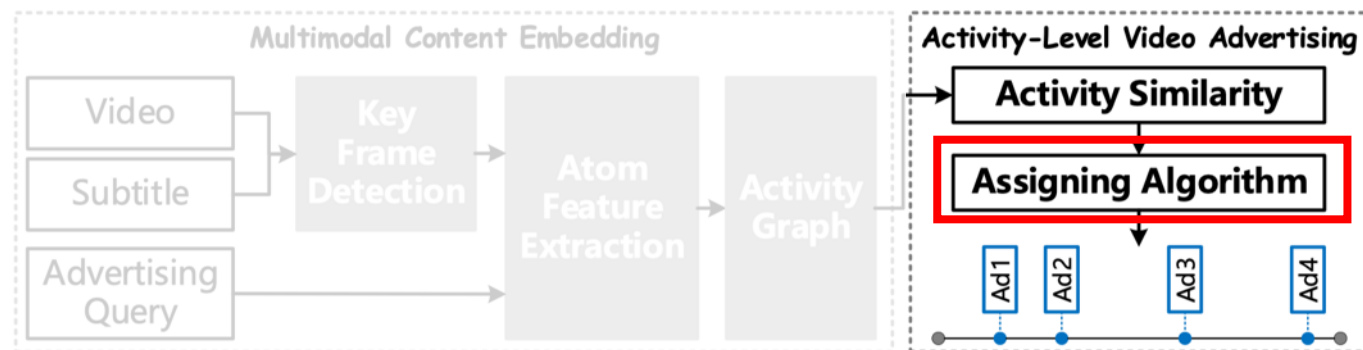
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As the time goes on, the intrusiveness will decline and γ controls the descent speed.

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Ads Assignment: Trade-Off Model



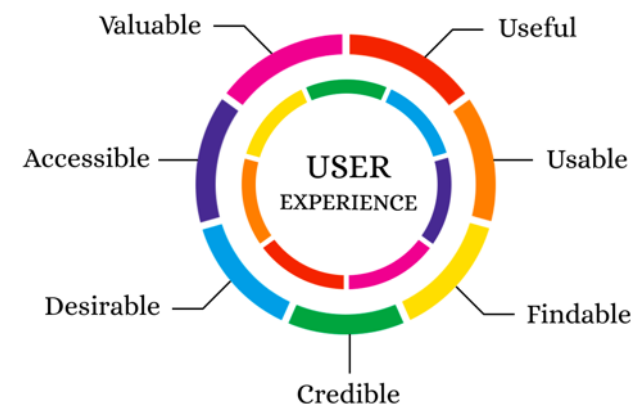
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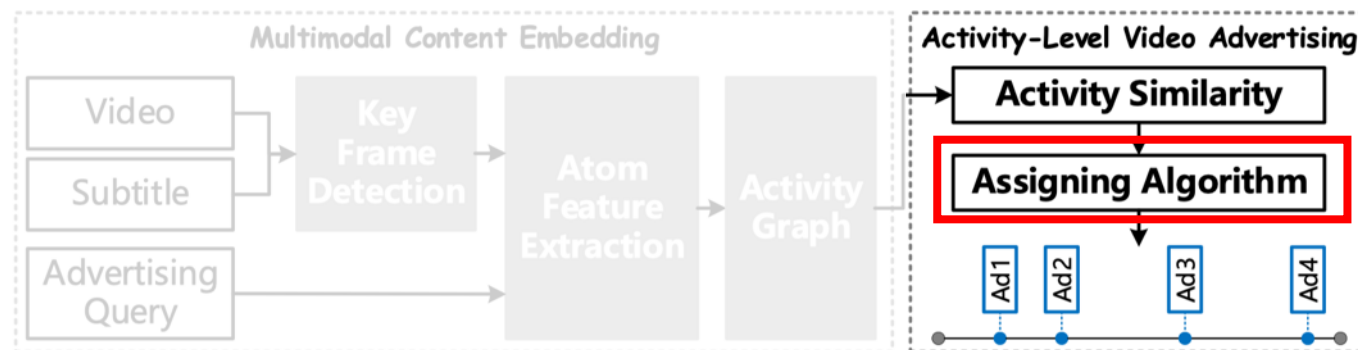
**Trade-Off Model:
Revenue Optimization under
Intrusiveness Constraint**

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{S \subseteq P} & f(S) + \delta E(S) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \int_0^{t_{max}} g(t|S) dt \leq B \end{aligned}$$

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Trade-Off Model: Revenue Optimization under Intrusiveness Constraint

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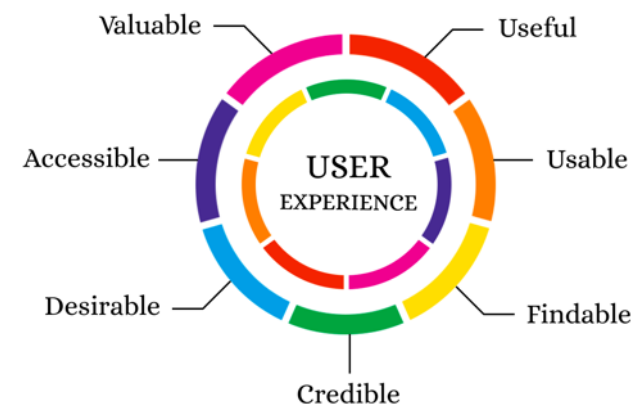


$$E(S) = - \sum_{(x_i, y_j) \in S} p_{y_j} \log_2 \frac{p_{y_j}}{N_y}$$

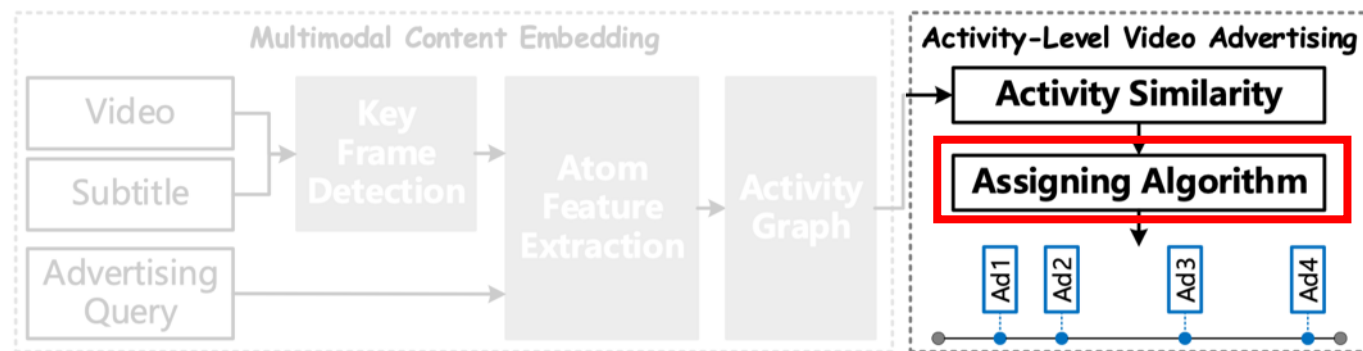
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$E(S)$ is an entropy-like function that measures balance of served ad queries distribution.

User Experience



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**Trade-Off Model:
Revenue Optimization under
Intrusiveness Constraint**

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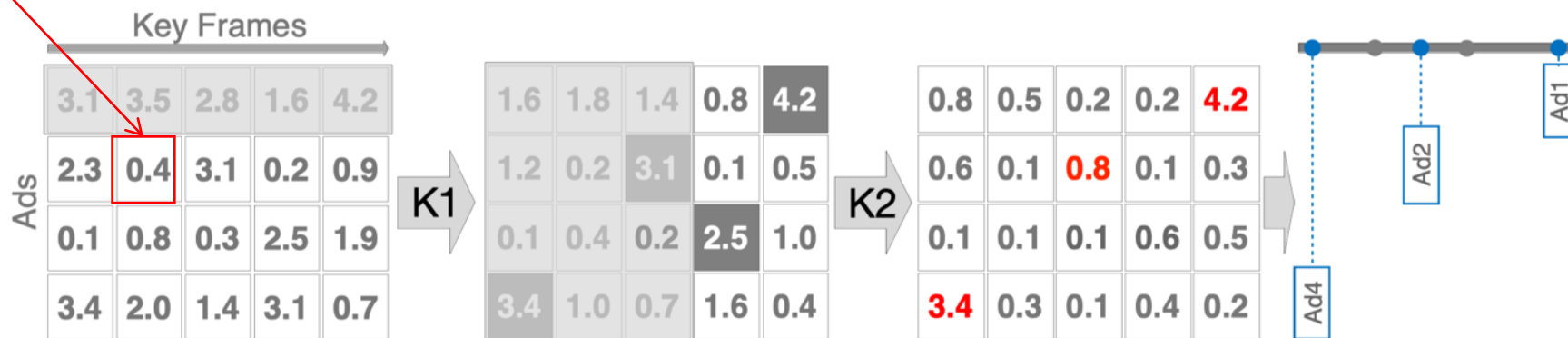
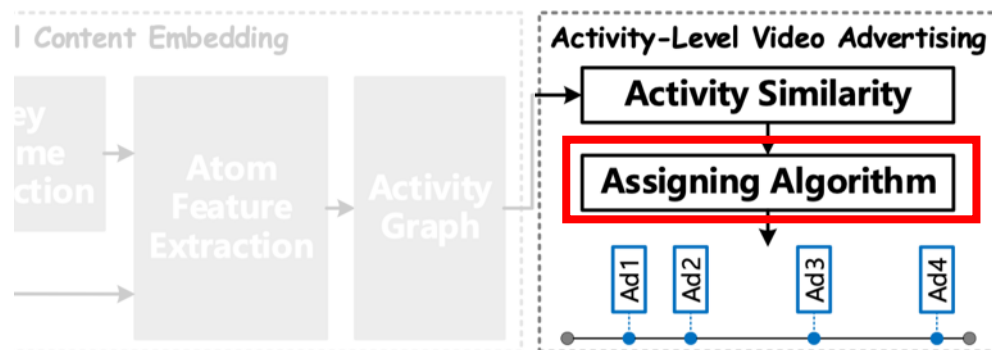
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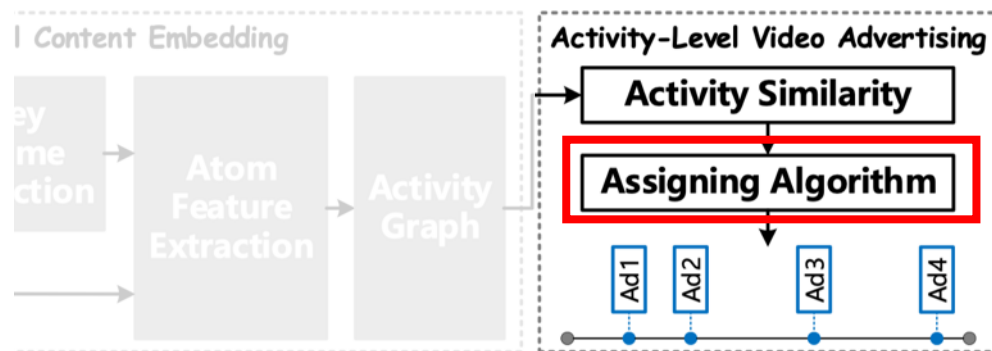
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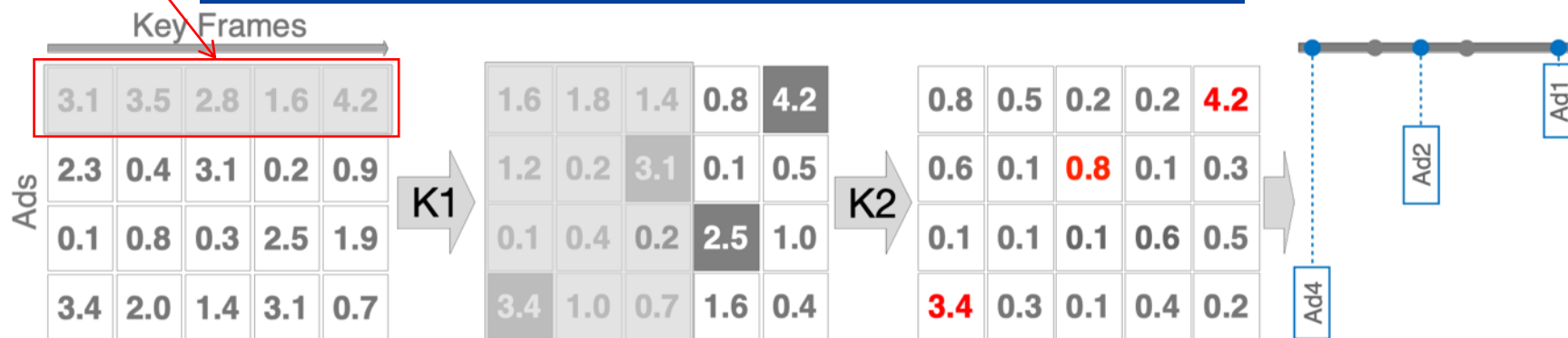
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K1: Balancing the assignments for each ad.



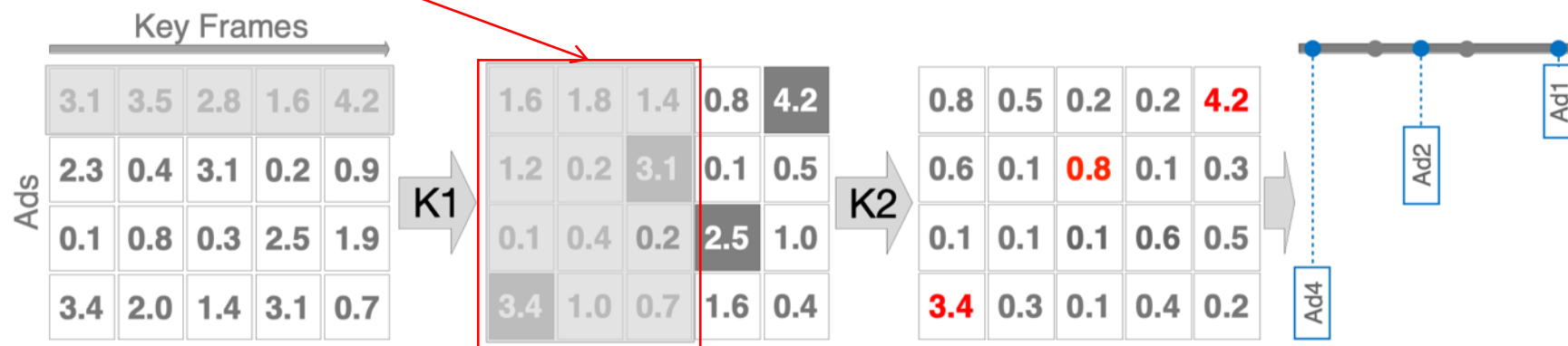
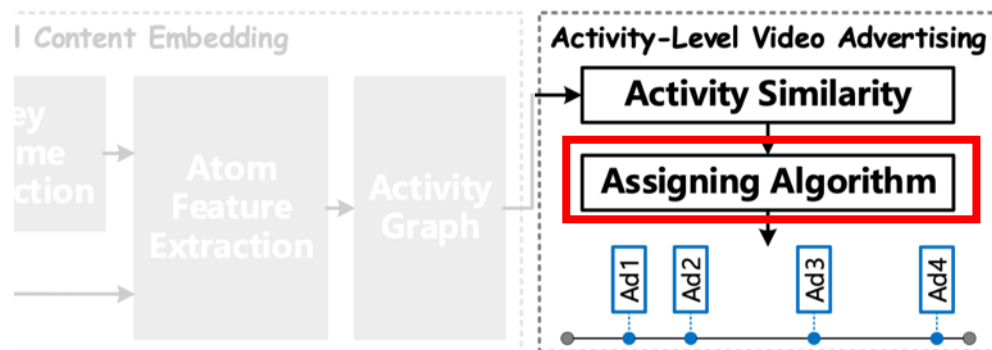
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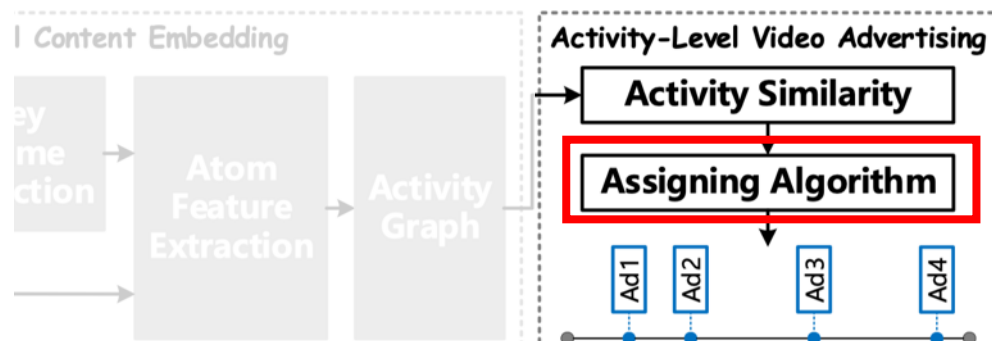
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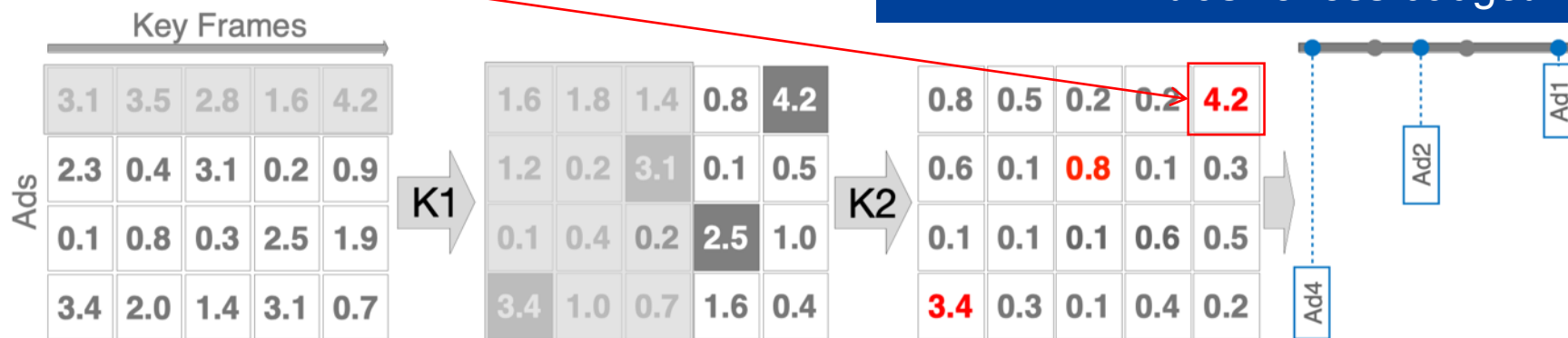
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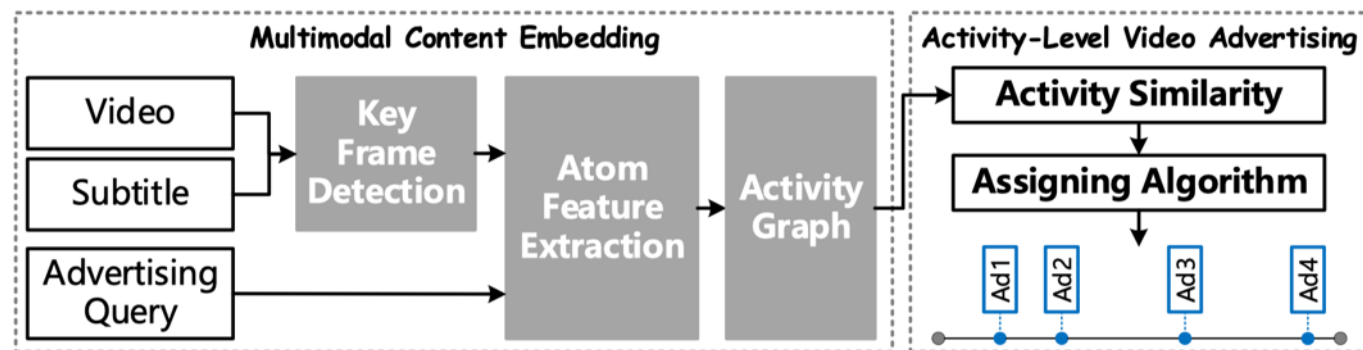
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Greedy assigning ads until reaching intrusiveness budget.

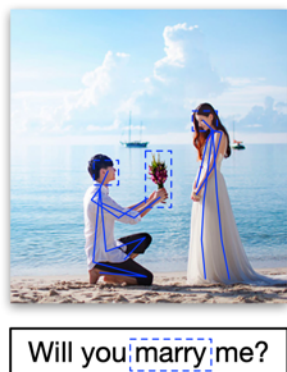


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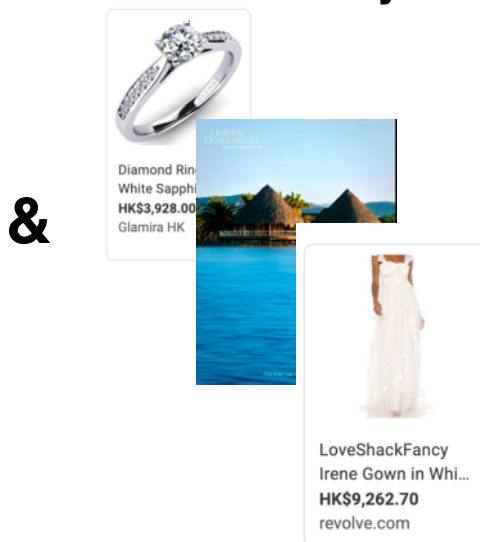


No need for activity-level labelled training data.

Video Data



Ads Query



Activity Graph
Representation

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Experiment Setup

140 Videos

100X



10X



30X



150 Real Ads Needs

Vehicle

Electronic

Food and Beverage

Cosmetic

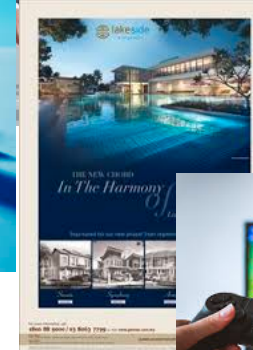
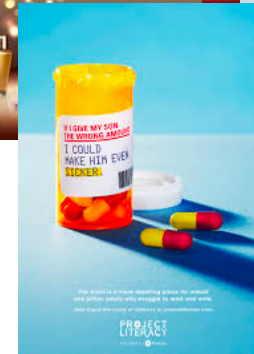
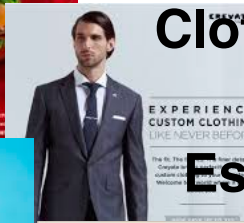
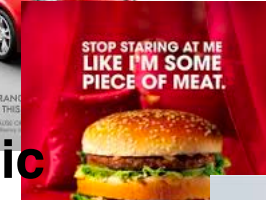
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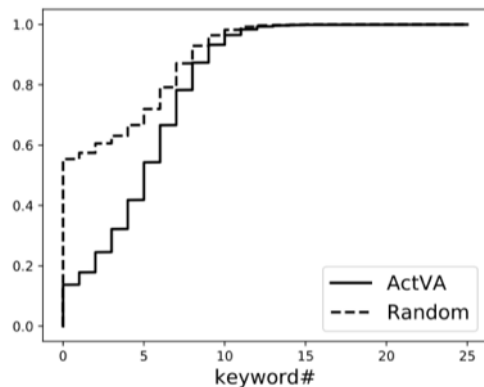
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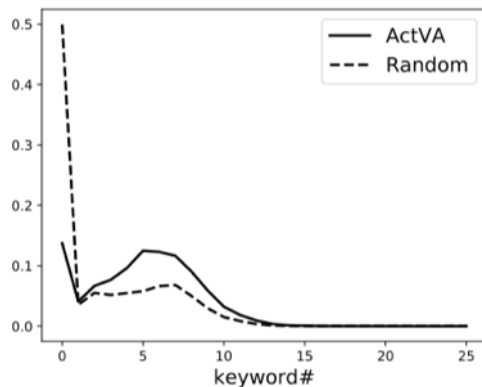
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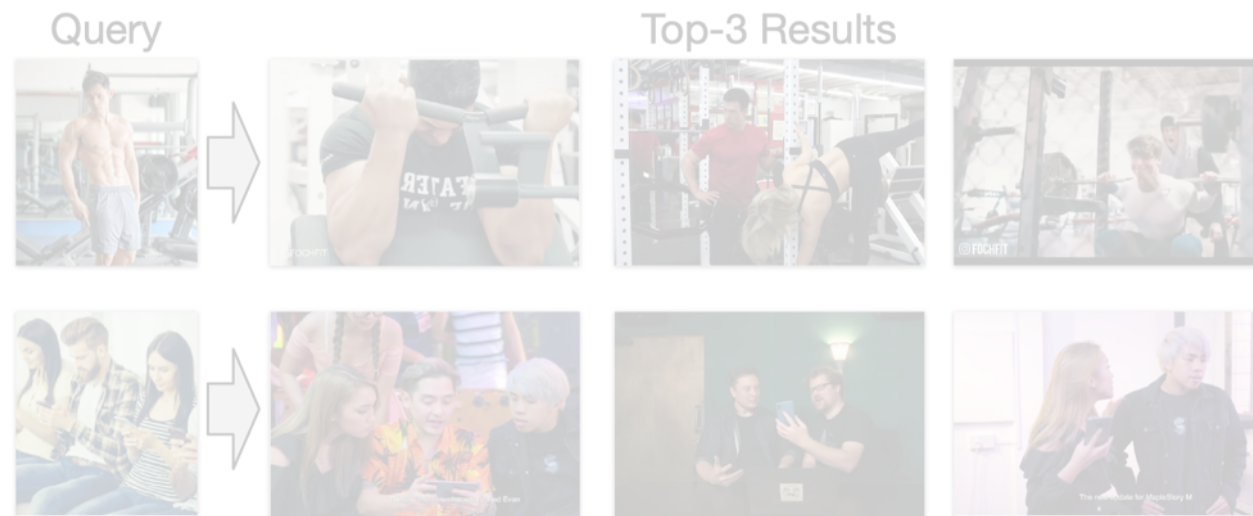
Semantic-Shot Key Frame Detection



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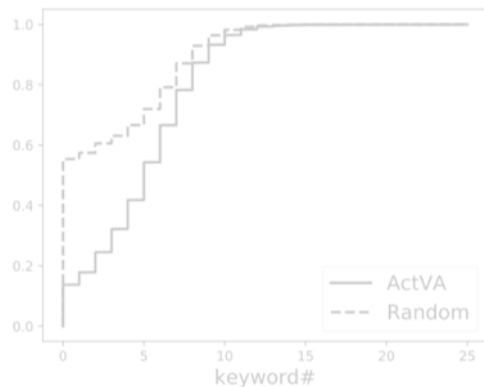
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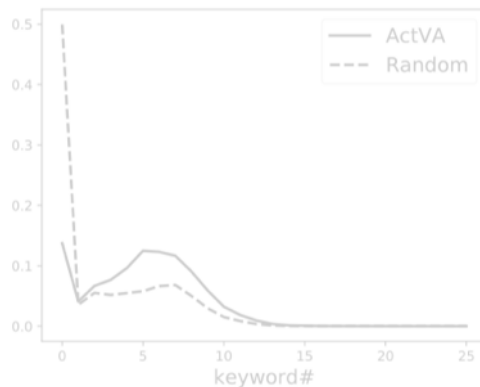
**Richer Textual
Information**

**High Accuracy with
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Advertising Position Retrieval



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Query



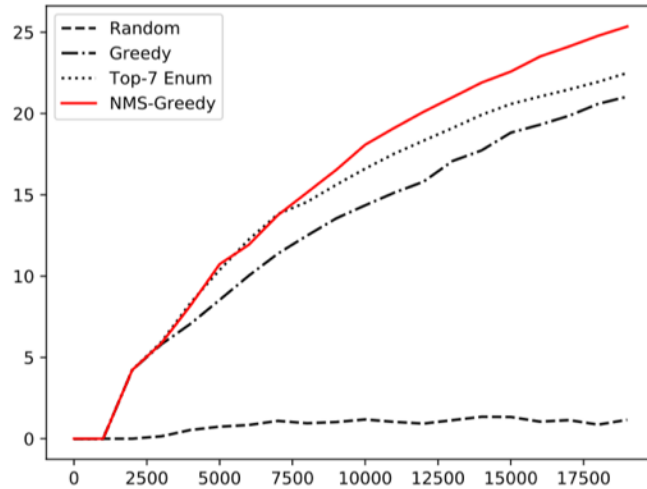
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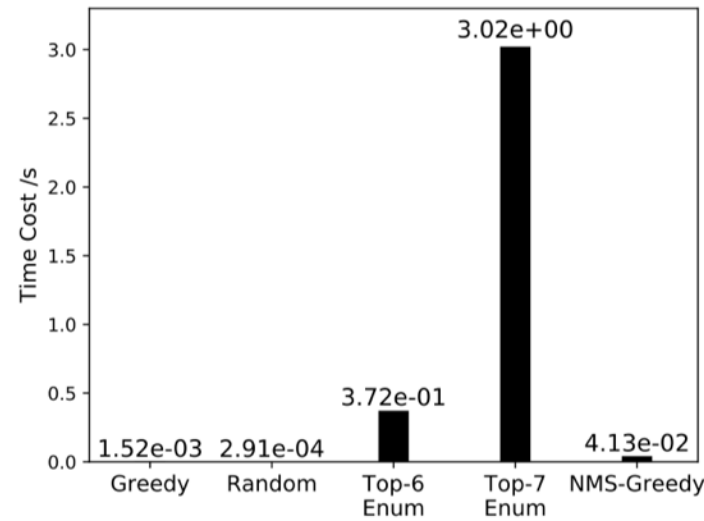
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NMS-Greedy Ads Assignment



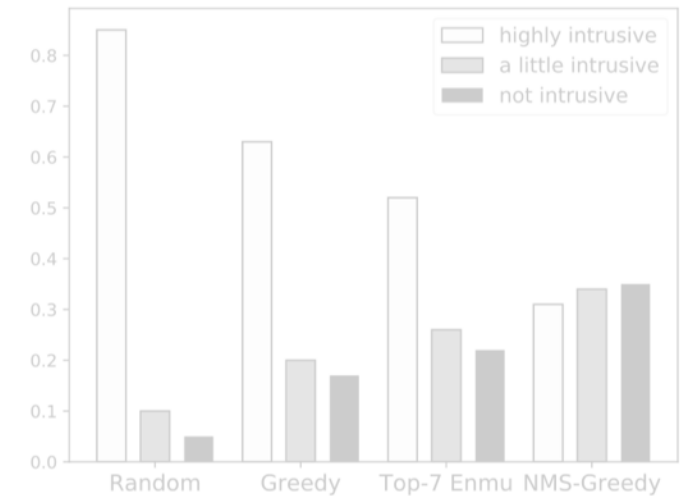
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Highest Value



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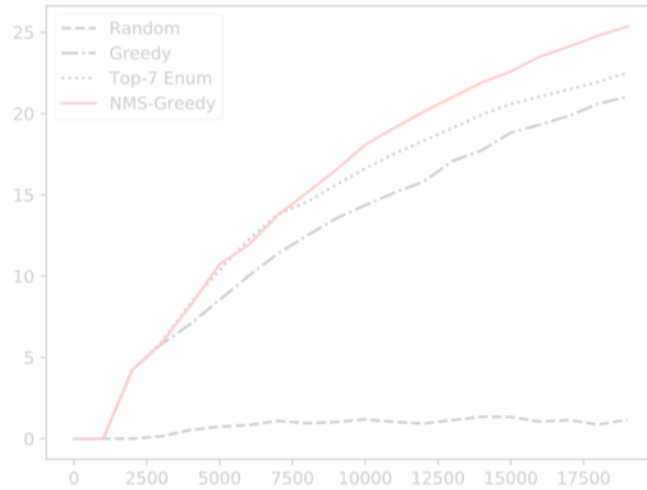
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(c) Subject Intrusiveness Evaluation

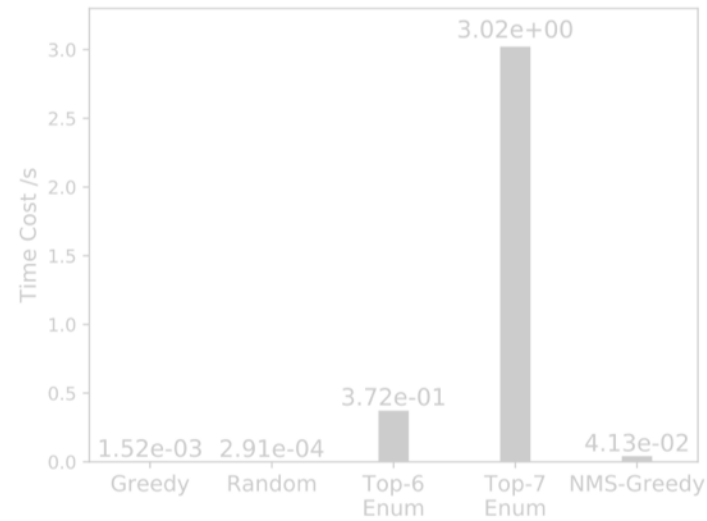
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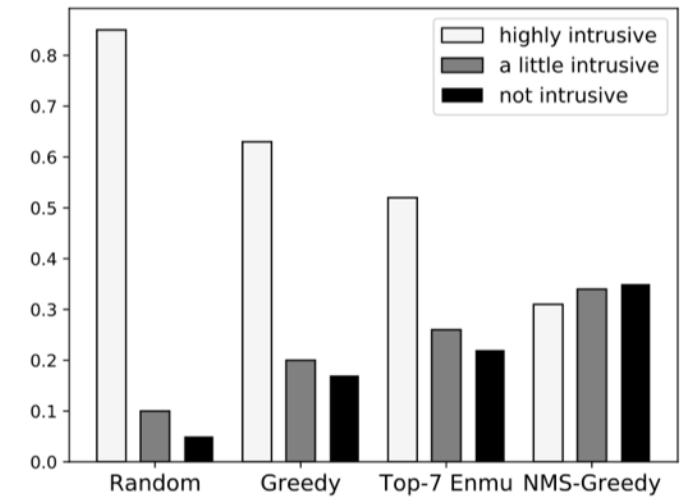
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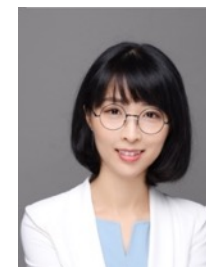
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