# **The Kiss of the Prince: Bringing Document Content to Life**





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... aiming at justifying the growing demand on Document Analysis Solutions and Systems

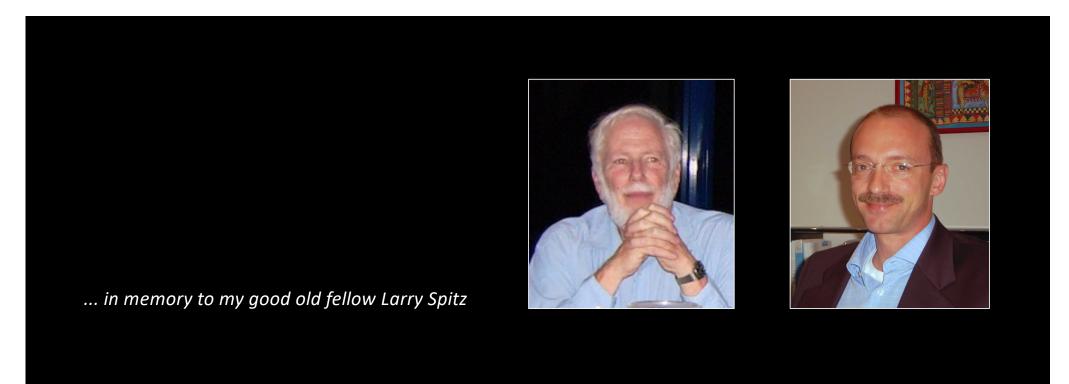
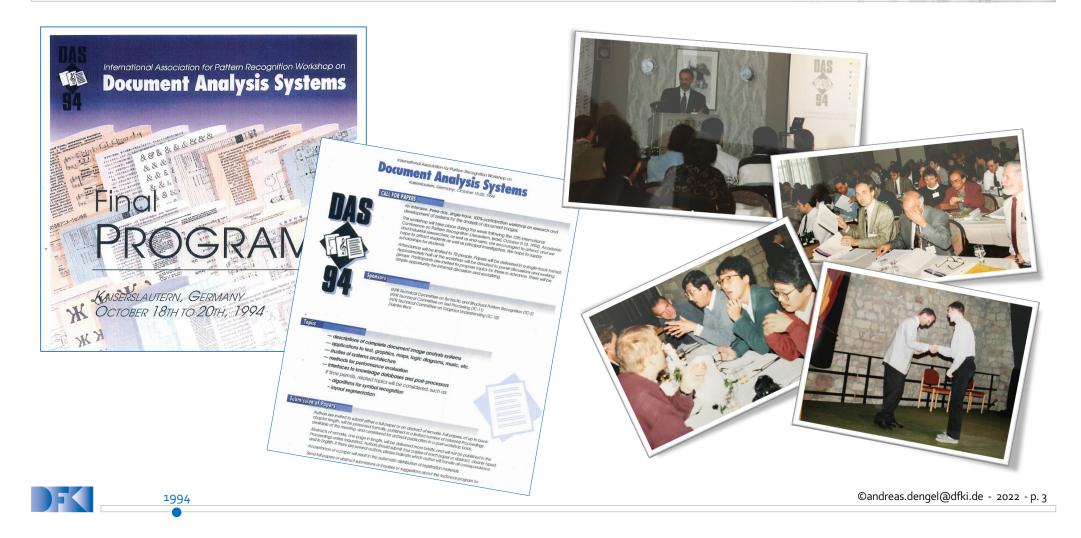




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## Supported by the IAPR Larry Spitz and I hosted a wonderful first DAS



### The start of the DAS workshop series was in 1994 in Kaiserslautern

Andreas Dengel, A. Lawrence Spitz:

Document Analysis Systems 1994, DFKI, Kaiserslautern, Germany, October 18-20, 1994, Proceedings





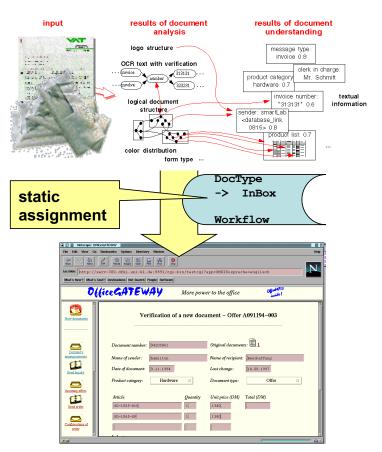
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## In 1994, we presented a first workflow-integrated solution OfficeMAID for purchase-topay processes

A. Dengel, R. Bleisinger, R. Hoch, F. Hönes, M. Malburg, and F. Fein, *OfficeMAID* – *A System for Automatic Mail Analysis, Interpretation and Delivery,* Proceedings DAS94, Kaiserslautern (Oct. 1994), pp. 253-276.



- document analysis system with proprietary workflow
- after scanning and document analysis incoming (paper-) mail is embedded into purchase2pay process including a routing to the responsible clerk







### The second DAS location was Malvern in the beautiful Pennsylvania

#### Jonathan J. Hull, Suzanne Liebowitz Taylor:

Document Analysis Systems II - Second Workshop on Document Analysis Systems, DAS 1996, Malvern, PA, USA, October 14-16, 1996, Selected papers. Series in Machine Perception and Artificial Intelligence 29, WorldScientific 1998, ISBN 978-981-02-3103-3, pp. 1-528

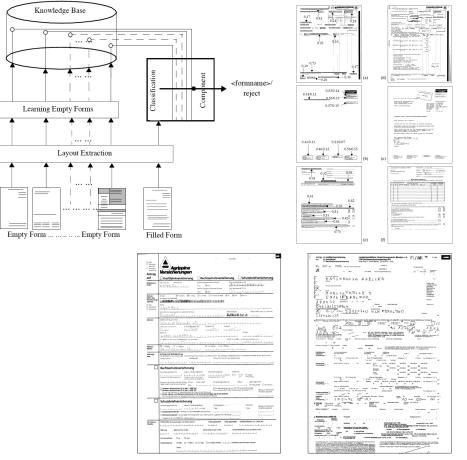




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## Our focus at DAS 1996 was on FormClas, an OCR-free form classification system

F. Dubiel and A. Dengel, *FormClas — OCR-Free Classification of Forms,* Proceedings DAS96, Malvern, NJ, USA (Oct. 1996), pp. 40-60.



#### FormClas ...

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classified any type of filled form or document for which an empty reference pattern is known

## In 1998, DAS took place at the former Olympics venue Nagano



Document Analysis Systems: Theory and Practice, Third IAPR Workshop, DAS'98, Nagano, Japan, November 4-6, 1998, Selected Papers. Lecture Notes in Computer Science 1655, Springer 1999, ISBN 3-540-66507-2





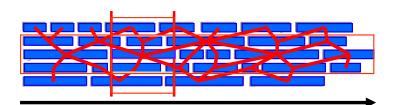
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## One of the papers we presented at DAS 1998, proposed a new clustering approach as part of the T-RECS system to find tables in printed documents

T. Kieninger and A. Dengel, *A Paper-to-HTML Table Converting System*, Proceedings DAS98, Nagano, Japan (Nov. 1998), pp. 356-365.

**T-RECS** follows a bottom-up clustering approach and was based on the following motivation:

- Large amounts of business letters contain the most important information within tables
- Insurance companies for example employ numerous clerks that enter data from paper documents into databases
- Due to the manyfold different senders and layouts, model based approaches are hardly applicable
- Model based approaches not only require strong efforts to set up the initial system, but also require permanent maintenance

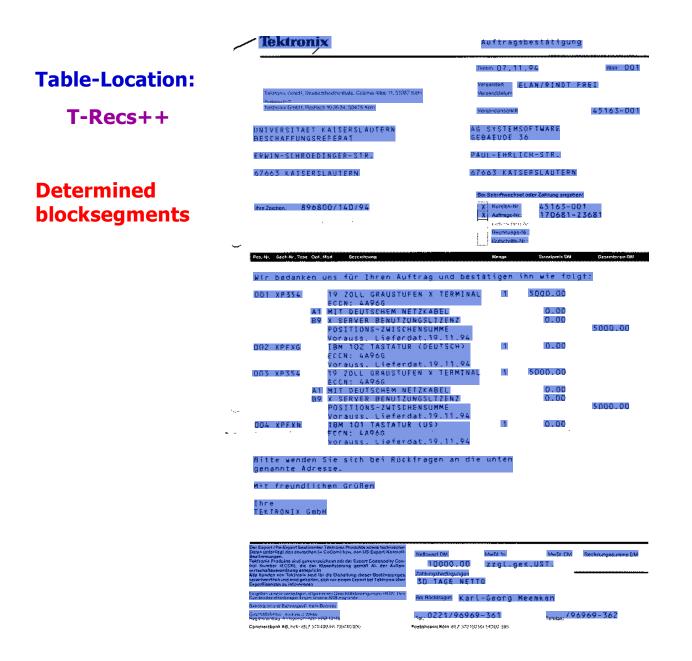


- Definition of a window with horizontal and vertical segment overlaps
- Creation of a segmentation diagram

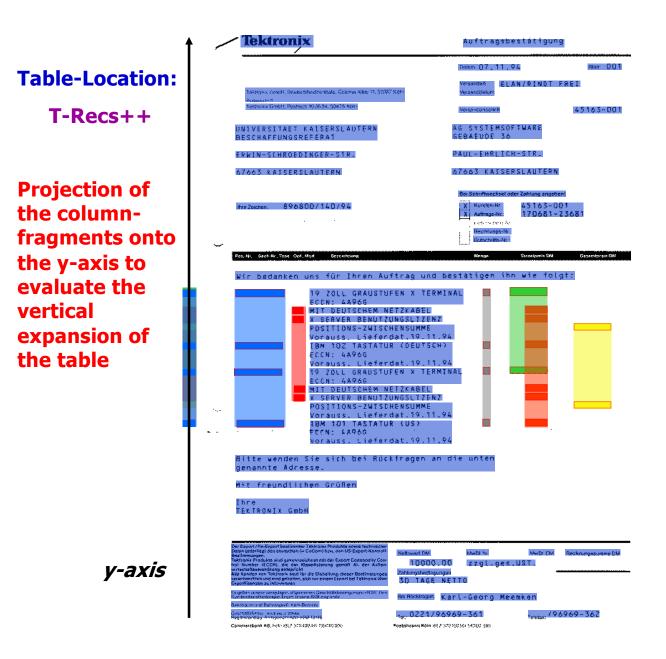


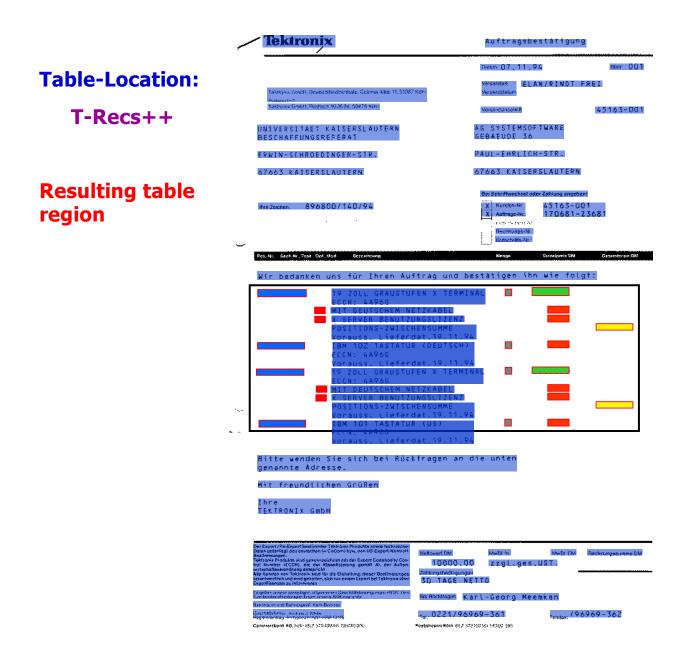


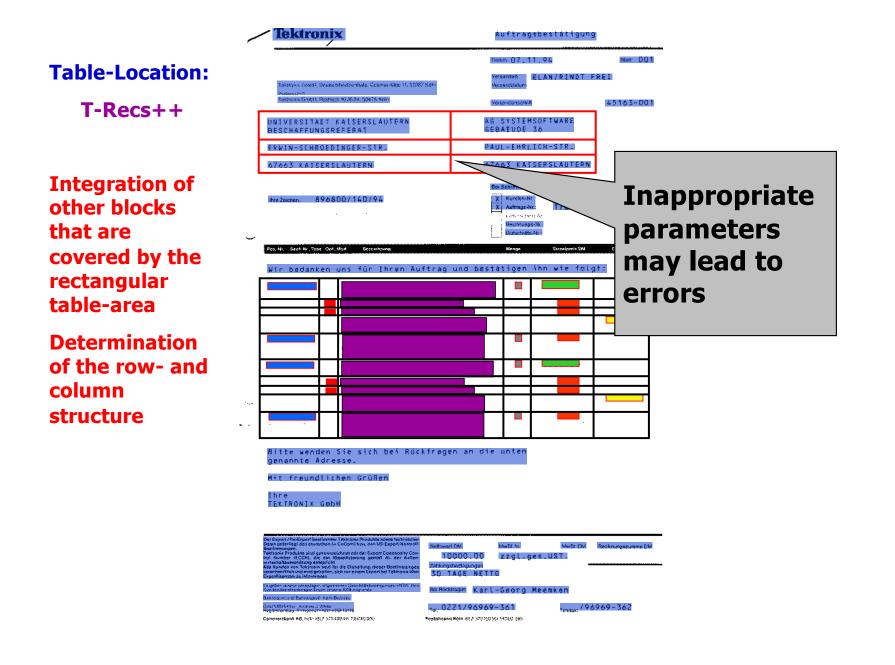












## Table-Location:

T-Recs++

Evaluation of an overall evidence for all potential tables based on the similarity within the column fragments

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## In 1998, I founded Insiders, the first start-up company of DFKI with five researchers of my group, which rapidly developed and today has about 1500 customers worldwide

### 7,5 Millionen Mark Umsatz angestrebt "Insiders" schließt Gründungsphase ab

Das im Juli dieses Jahres gegründe-

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begrüßte Software-Un ur den Standort Kaimens, das nicht serslautern als modernes Technologie zentrum weiter aufwerte, sondern Arbeitsplätze schaffen habe. Deubig wünschte dem die großen dass Unternehmen, nutzen werde, die im Bereich der Dokument-Management-Systeme immer mehr an Bedeutung ge

on Mark an wännen. (dth)

For more than two years, I also acted as the CEO of Insiders and reduced my job as a professor to 50%



nsiders was established about 20 years ago and is the most successful spin-off of the German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence (DFKI). As an award-winning IT company, Insiders Technologies has offices in Kaiserslautern, renowned for being a high-tech region, and in Berlin, the stronghold of start-ups. It has long since become a leader in technology for the digitalization of business processes. The most up-to-date methods of Artificial Intelligence are the basis for the success of Insiders' highly efficient products.

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#### Company FROM SPIN-OFF TO GLOBAL PLAYER



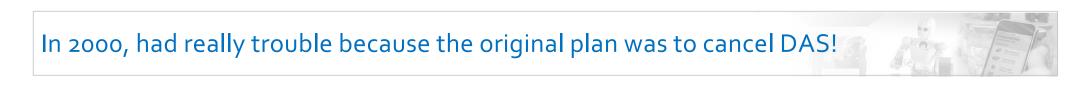
DAS 2000 took place in Southern America



## NO PROCEEDING AVAILABLE!







S. Klink, A. Dengel, and T. Kieninger, *Document Structure Analysis Based on Layout and Textual Features*, Proceedings DAS2000, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Dec. 2000), pp. 41-52.

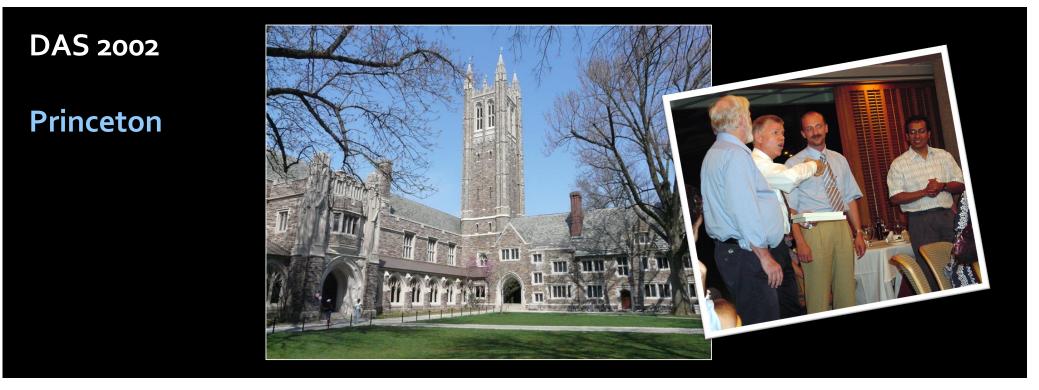
Nothing special to report except that the organization was so bad that I didn't show up in Rio!



## In 2002, DAS was hosted at the campus of Princeton University



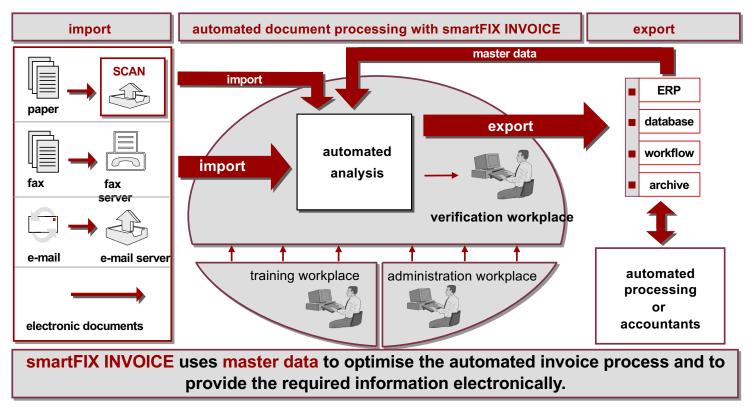
Document Analysis Systems V, 5th International Workshop, DAS 2002, Princeton, NJ, USA, August 19-21, 2002, Proceedings. Lecture Notes in Computer Science 2423, Springer 2002, ISBN 3-540-44068-2



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# The focus of our submissions after founding and running a company was much more on real systems

A. Dengel and B. Klein, *smartFIX: A Requirements-Driven System for Document Analysis and Understanding*, Proceedings DAS2002., Princeton, NJ, USA (Aug. 2002), pp. 433-444.





## At DAS 2004 we could feel the spirit of the medieval palaces in Florence

#### Simone Marinai, Andreas Dengel:

Document Analysis Systems VI, 6th International Workshop, DAS 2004, Florence, Italy, September 8-10, 2004, Proceedings. Lecture Notes in Computer Science 3163, Springer 2004, ISBN 3-540-23060-2



B. Klein, S. Agne, and A. Dengel, *Results of a Study of Invoice Reading Systems in Germany* Proceedings DAS2004, Florence, Italy, (Sept. 2004), pp. 451-462.



## The conference trip brought us to New Zealand for DAS 2006



#### Horst Bunke, A. Lawrence Spitz:

Document Analysis Systems VII, 7th International Workshop, DAS 2006, Nelson, New Zealand, February 13-15, 2006, Proceedings. Lecture Notes in Computer Science 3872, Springer 2006, ISBN 3-540-32140-3



B. Klein, S. Agne, and A. Dengel, *Benchmarking of invoice analysis systems*, Proceedings DAS2006, Nelson, NZ (Feb. 2006), pp. 312-323.



## DAS 2008 was hosted at the world heritage of Nara, Japan



#### Koichi Kise, Hiroshi Sako:

The Eighth IAPR International Workshop on Document Analysis Systems, DAS 2008, September 16-19, 2008, Nara, Japan. IEEE Computer Society 2008, ISBN 978-0-7695-3337-7





## By combining gaze paths and document analysis in our DAS 2008 paper, we could significantly improve classification and retrieval

Text 2.0 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8QocWsWd7fc)

G. Buscher and A. Dengel, Attention-Based Document Classifier Learning, Proceedings DAS2008, Nara, Japan, (Sep. 2008), pp. 87-94

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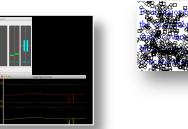
45% better!

20% better!

We identified saccadic gaze feature to distinguish *reading* and *skimming* for individual users to define textual relevance

For building better classifiers, we tried to understand how users classify documents based on their reading behavior on specific text

We analyzed how users read search results to implement implicit relevance feedback to the search tool



### Our American friends provided a productive atmosphere at DAS 2010

#### David S. Doermann, Venu Govindaraju, Daniel P. Lopresti, Premkumar Natarajan:

The Ninth IAPR International Workshop on Document Analysis Systems, DAS 2010, June 9-11, 2010, Boston, Massachusetts, USA. ACM International Conference Proceeding Series, ACM 2010, ISBN 978-1-60558-773-8





## By combining gaze paths and document analysis, we could significantly improve classification and retrieval

M. Liwicki, H.M. S. M. El-Neklawy, and A. Dengel, *Touch & Write – A Multitouch Table with Pen-Input*, Proceedings DAS10, Boston, MA, USA, (June 2010), pp. 479-484.





## DAS 2012 was an ideal place to combine work and fun



#### Michael Blumenstein, Umapada Pal, Seiichi Uchida:

10th IAPR International Workshop on Document Analysis Systems, DAS 2012, Gold Coast, Queenslands, Australia, March 27-29, 2012. IEEE Computer Society 2012, ISBN 978-1-4673-0868-7







## By combining gaze paths and document analysis, we could significantly improve classification and retrieval

S. Ahmed, M. Liwicki, M. Weber, and A. Dengel, *Automatic Room Detection and Room Labeling from Architectural Floor Plans*, Proceedings DAS2012, Cold Coast, Australia (March 2012), pp. 228-242

Proceedings DAS2012, Gold Coast, Australia (March 2012), pp. 338-342.

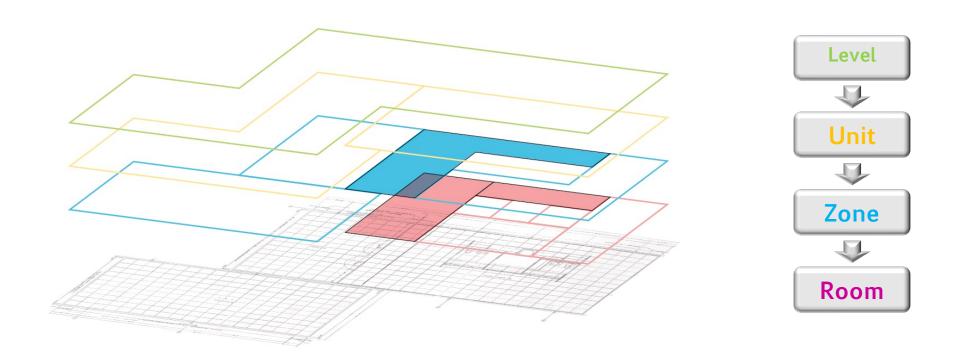


a.SCatch

A typical floor plan is composed of walls, pictorial icons and designators describing room functions

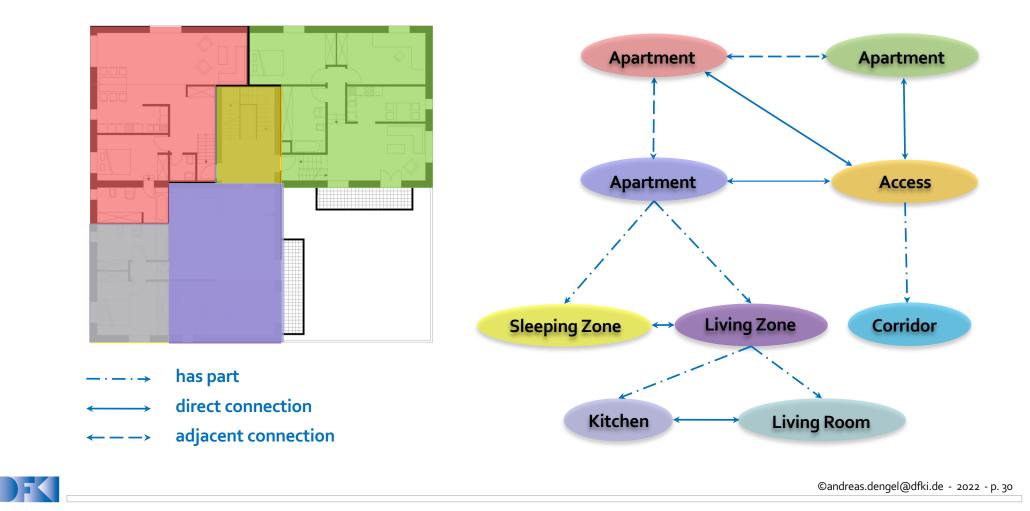


In *a.SCatch* we employed a semantic representation of floor plans based on the aggregation of living spaces

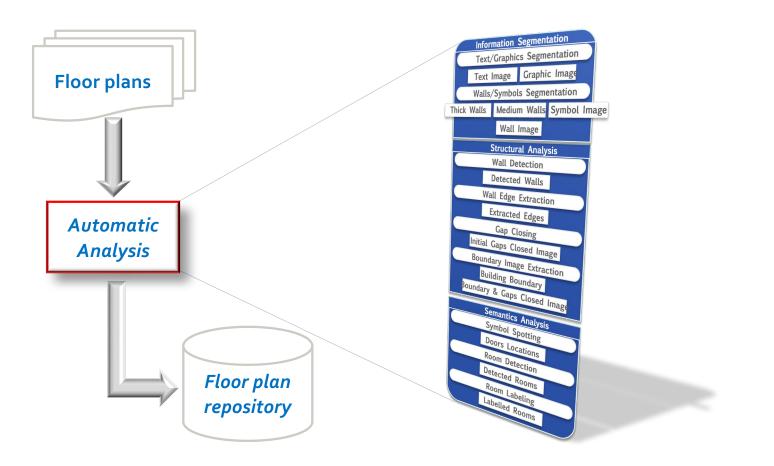




## We may further describe the spatial relationships among the entities of a living space by semantic links

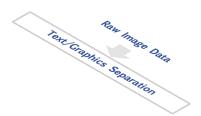


## In a first step, floor plans have to be scanned, analyzed, and transformed into an semantic representation





In order to select appropriate recognition techniques an important step is an initial text/graphics separation

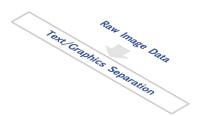


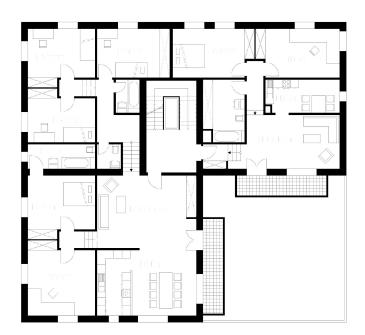






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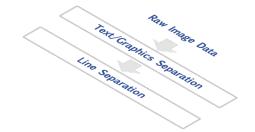


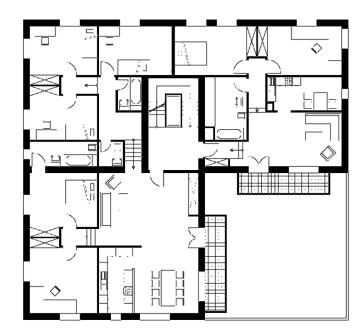




## In the resulting drawing, the various types of lines are separated

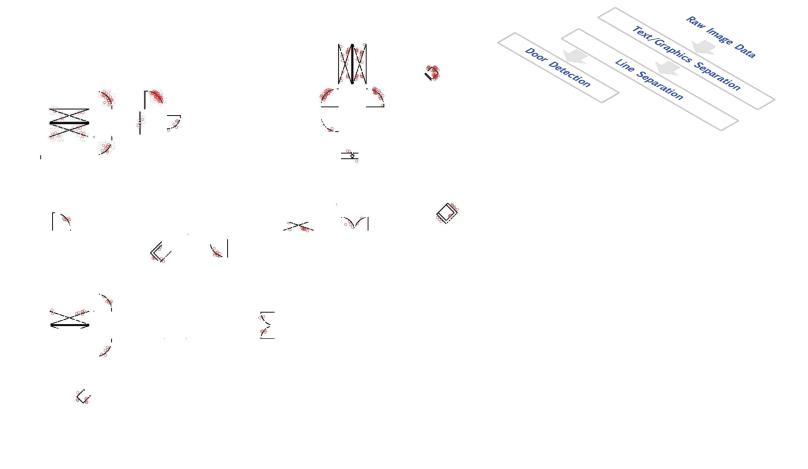








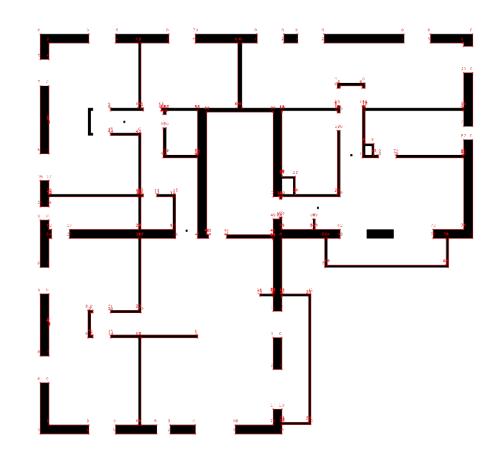
## In the next step, a.SCatch attempts to detect the doors captured in the drawing

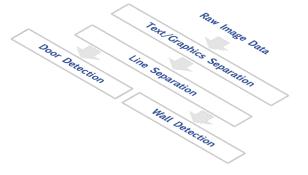




## Furthermore, the walls have to be detected





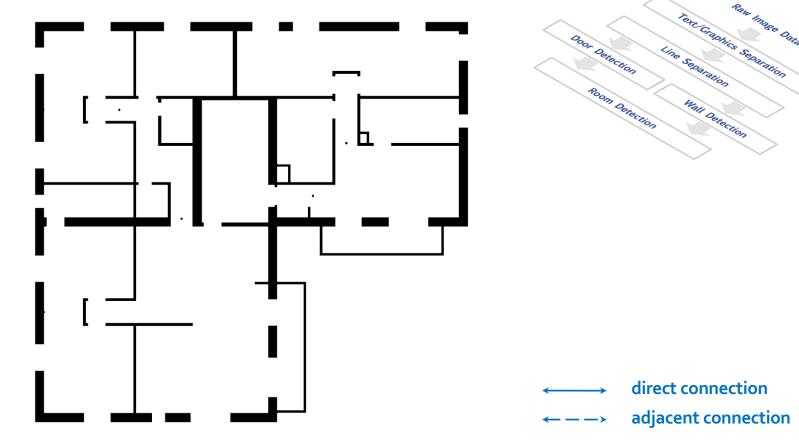




# Finally the rooms have to be recognized as basic living spaces



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# DAS 2016 was hosted at one of the most spectacular places I visited

#### Apostolos Antonacopoulos, Basilis Gatos:

12th IAPR Workshop on Document Analysis Systems, DAS 2016, Santorini, Greece, April 11-14, 2016. IEEE Computer Society 2016, ISBN 978-1-5090-1792-8

# DAS 2016 Santorini



## At DAS 2016, we proposed a system for fake news recognition

S. Elkasrawi, A. Abdelsamad, S. Bukhari, M. Al-Naser, and A. Dengel, *What you see is what you get? Automatic Image Verification for Online News Contents,* Proceedings DAS 2016, Santorin, Greece (Apr. 2016), pp. 114-119



**NewsVerifier** 

Image fraud detection in social media



# At DAS 2014, we could enjoy the warm spring in ancient Loire valley

Jean-Yves Ramel, Marcus Liwicki, Jean-Marc Ogier, Koichi Kise, Ray Smith:

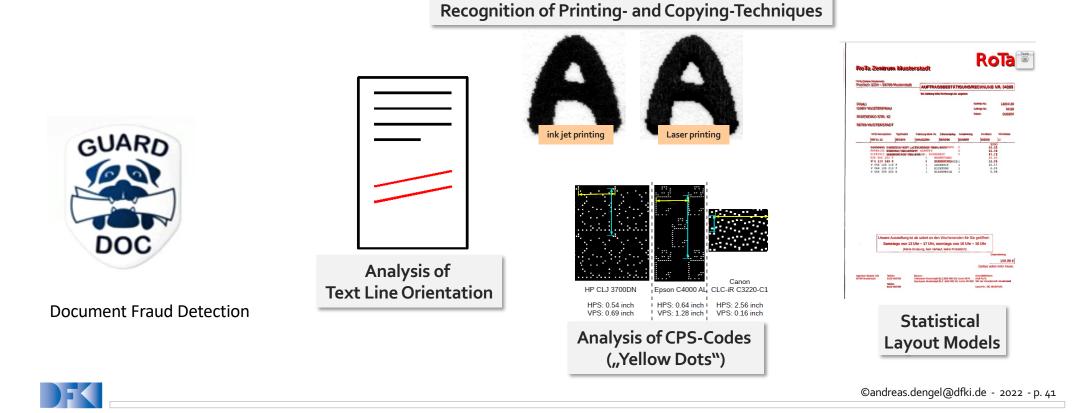
11th IAPR International Workshop on Document Analysis Systems, DAS 2014, Tours, France, April 7-10, 2014. IEEE Computer Society 2014, ISBN 978-1-4799-3244-3



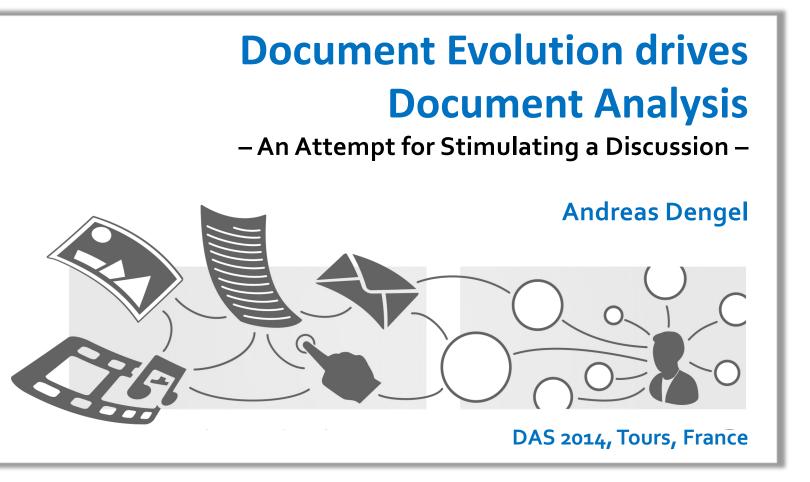


# Our paper at DAS 2014 addressed the problem of document fraud recognition

S. Elkasrawi, F. Shafait, and A. Dengel, *Printer Identification using Supervised Learning for Document Forgery Detection*, Proceedings DAS2014, Tours, France (Apr. 2014), pp. 146-150.



### ... and I gave a keynote on ...





## In 2018, we proceeded with DAS in the wonderful Vienna



#### Robert Sablatnig, Florian Kleber:

13th IAPR International Workshop on Document Analysis Systems, DAS 2018, Vienna, Austria, April 24-27, 2018. IEEE Computer Society 2018, ISBN 978-1-5386-3346-5

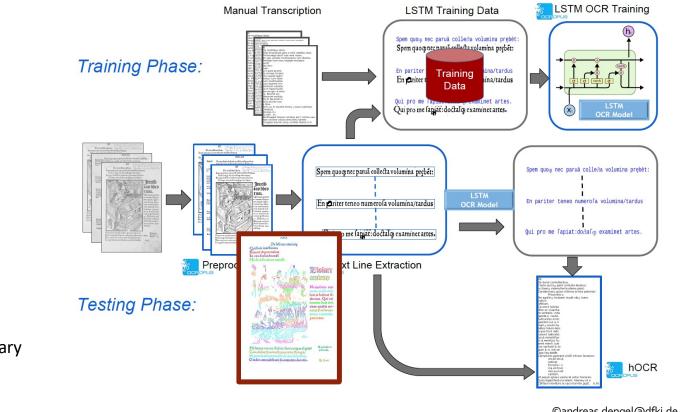




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# Our text alignment method presented at DAS 2018 was part of a complex system analyzing historical documents

S. S. Bukhari, M. Saha, P.K. Giridhara, M.K. Lohano, and A. Dengel, anyalign: *An Intelligent and Interactive Text-Alignment Web-Application for Historical Documents,* Proceedings DAS 2018, Vienna, Austria (Apr. 2018).



#### Kalimachos

anyOCR and anyalign as part of library research and information system

# In 2020, DAS was hosted by our colleagues in Wuhan, China



#### Xiang Bai, Dimosthenis Karatzas, Daniel Lopresti:

Document Analysis Systems - 14th IAPR International Workshop, DAS 2020, Wuhan, China, July 26-29, 2020, Proceedings. Lecture Notes in Computer Science 12116, Springer 2020, ISBN 978-3-030-57057-6

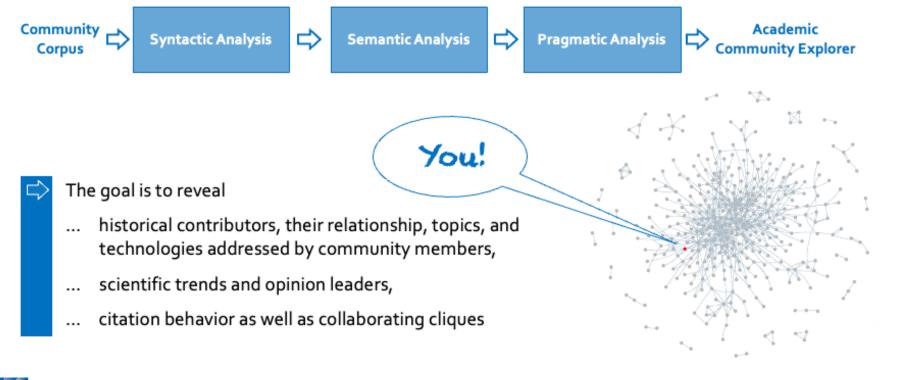






# By considering authority mining in conference proceedings, we expanded our view to document analysis systems at DAS 2020

M. Beck, S.T. Rizvi, A. Dengel, and S. Ahmed, *From Automatic Keyword Detection to Ontology-based Topic Modeling*, Proceedings DAS 2020, 14<sup>th</sup> Int'l IAPR Workshop on Document Analysis Systems, Wuhan, China (May 2020).



# The resulting Academic Community Explorer (ACE) is ready to be explored



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