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3. Image Processing



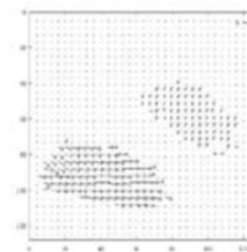
4. Features



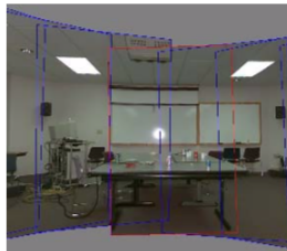
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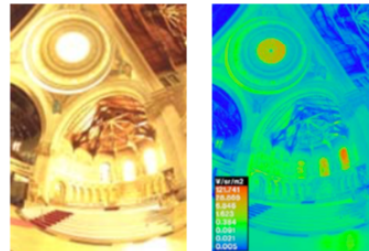
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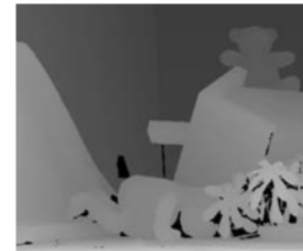
8. Motion



9. Stitching



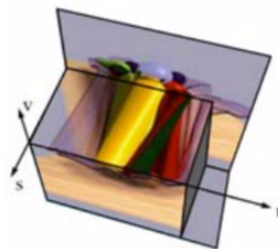
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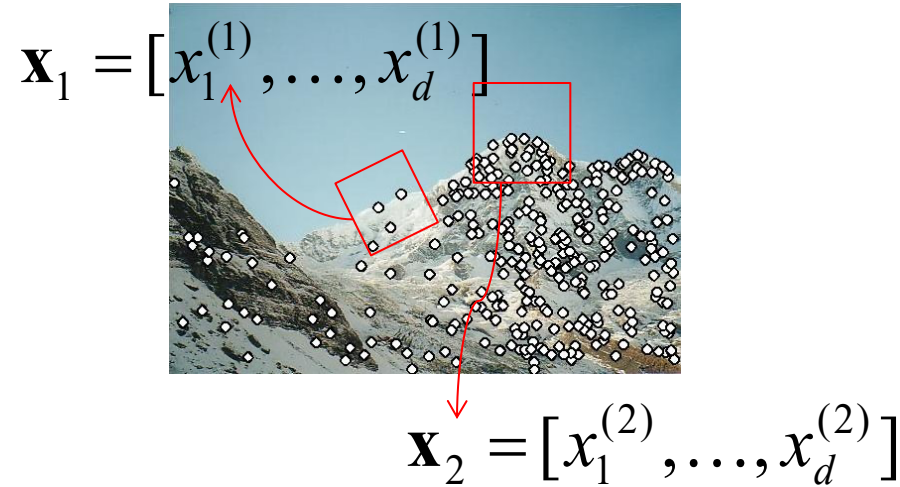
Descriptors

Local features: main components

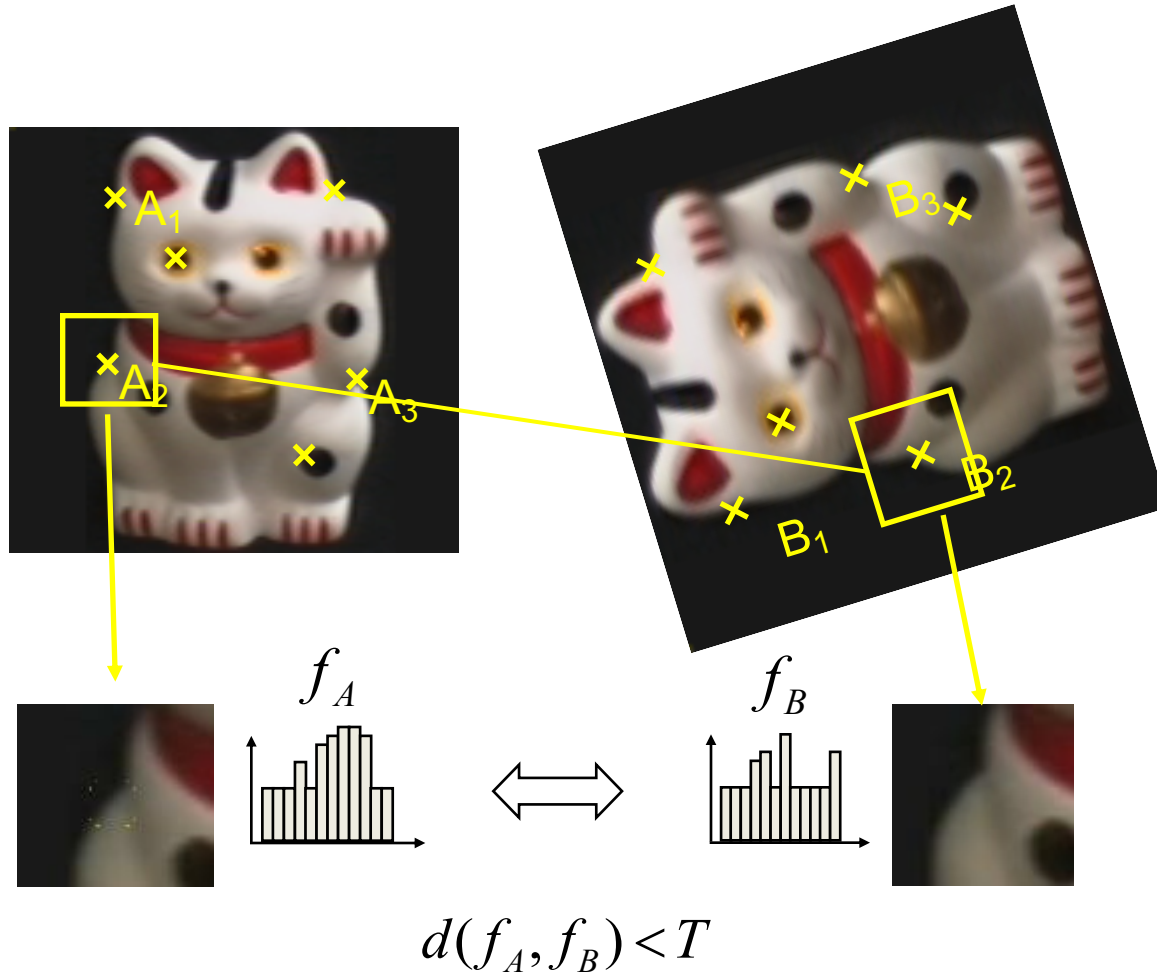
1) **Detection:** Identify the interest points

2) **Description:** Extract vector feature descriptor surrounding each interest point.

3) **Matching:** Determine correspondence between descriptors in two views



Overview of Keypoint Matching



1. Find a set of distinctive keypoints
2. Define a region around each keypoint
3. Compute a local descriptor from the normalized region
4. Match local descriptors

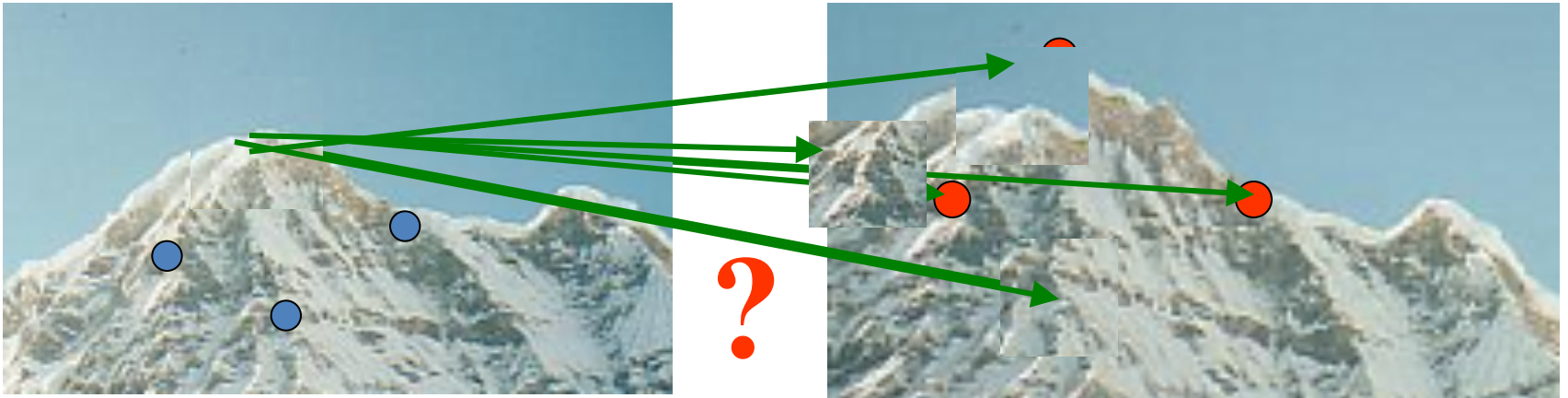
Goals for interest points



Detect points that are *repeatable* and *distinctive*

Goal for descriptors: distinctiveness

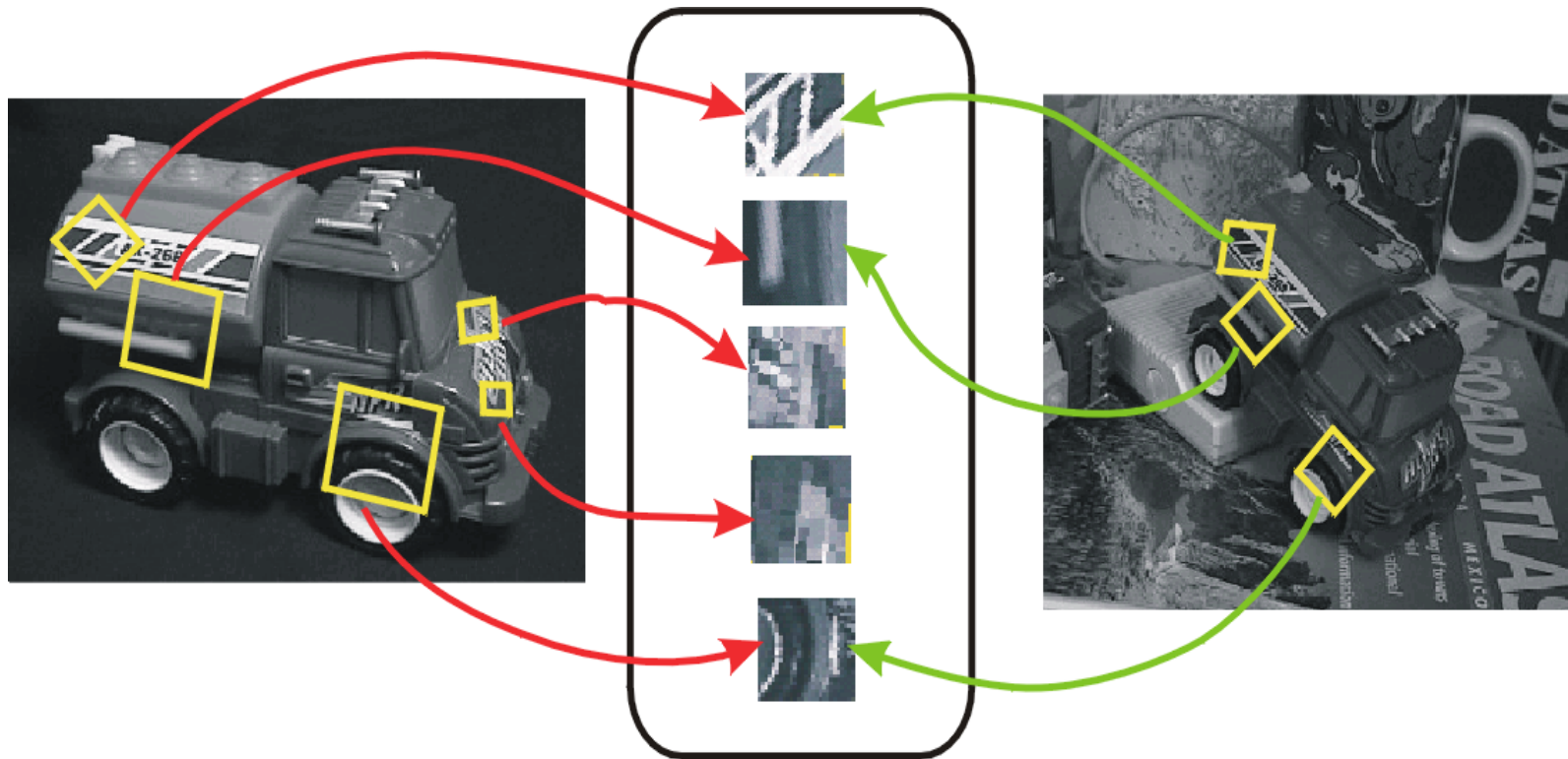
- We want to be able to reliably determine which point goes with which.



- Must provide some invariance to geometric and photometric differences between the two views.

Invariant Local Features

- Image content is transformed into local feature coordinates that are invariant to translation, rotation, scale, and other imaging parameters

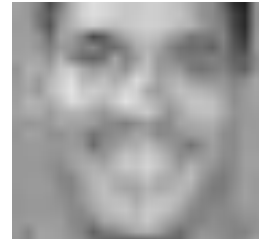


Feature Descriptors

Image representations

- Templates

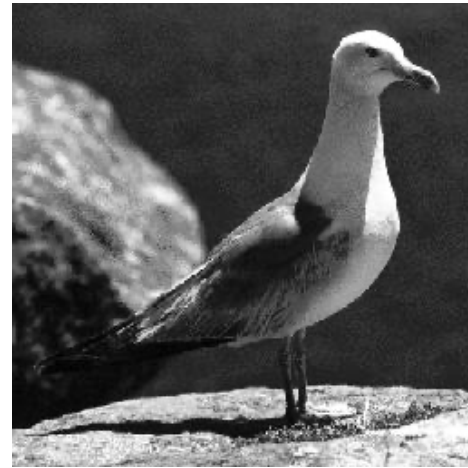
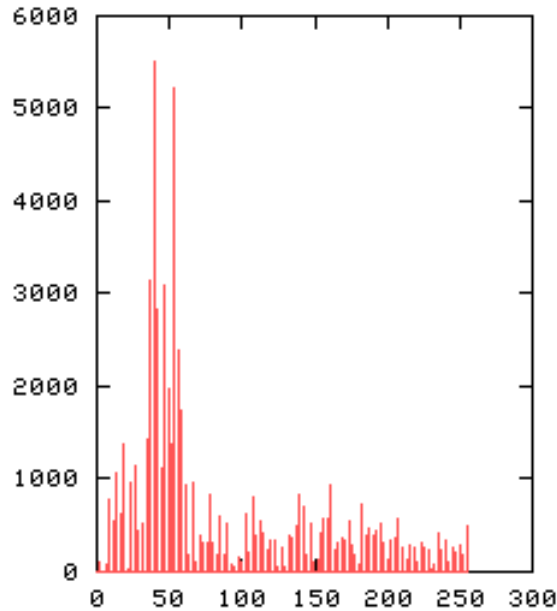
- Intensity, gradients, etc.



- Histograms

- Color, texture, SIFT descriptors, etc.

Image Representations: Histograms

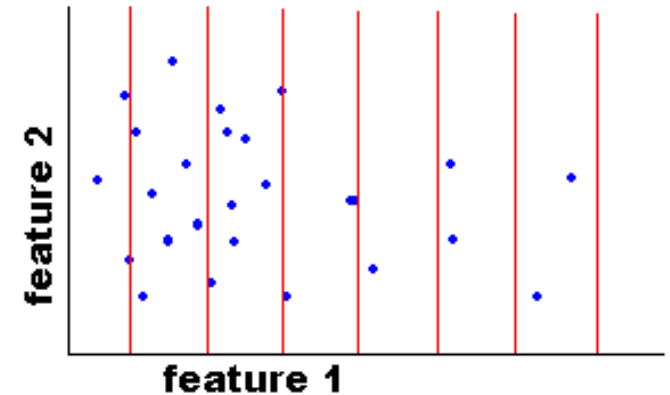
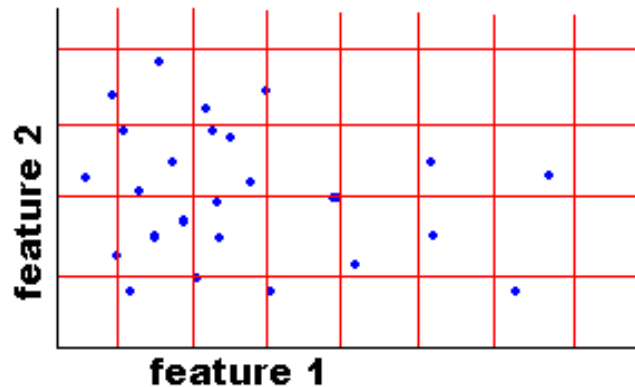
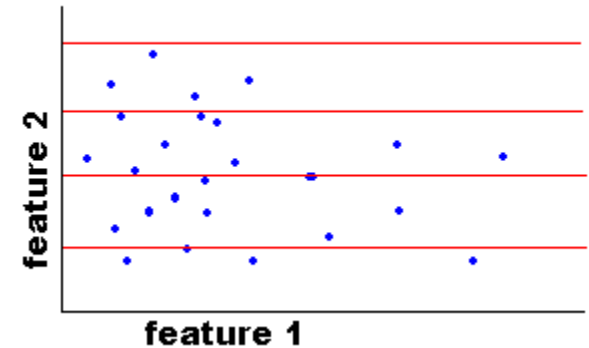
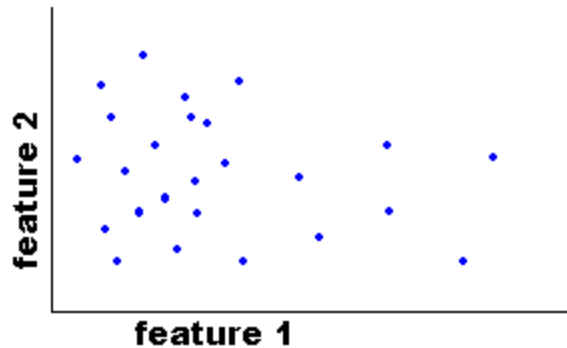


Global histogram

- Represent distribution of features
 - Color, texture, depth, ...

Image Representations: Histograms

Histogram: Probability or count of data in each bin



- **Joint histogram**

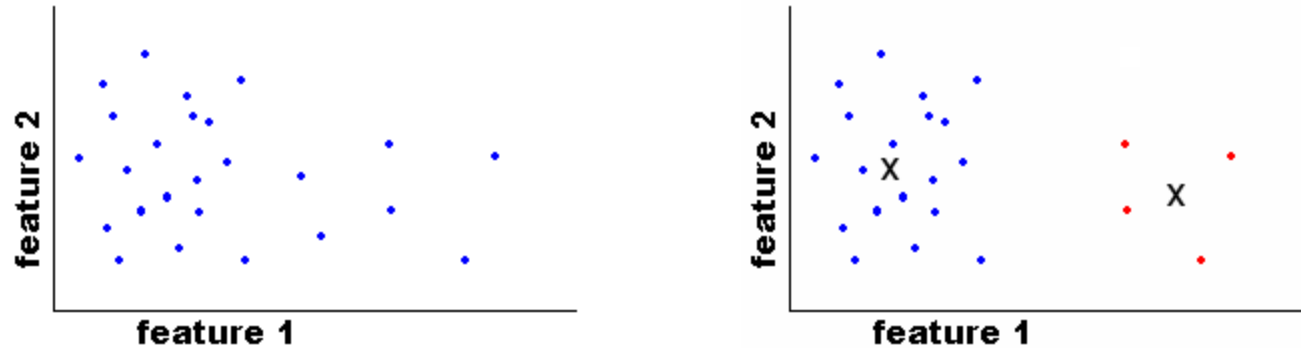
- Requires lots of data
- Loss of resolution to avoid empty bins

Marginal histogram

- Requires independent features
- More data/bin than joint histogram

Image Representations: Histograms

Clustering



Use the same cluster centers for all images

What kind of things do we compute histograms of?

- Histograms of oriented gradients

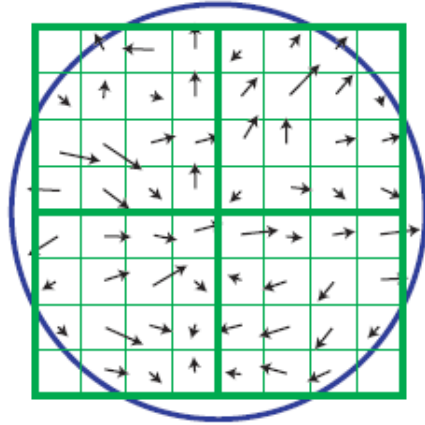
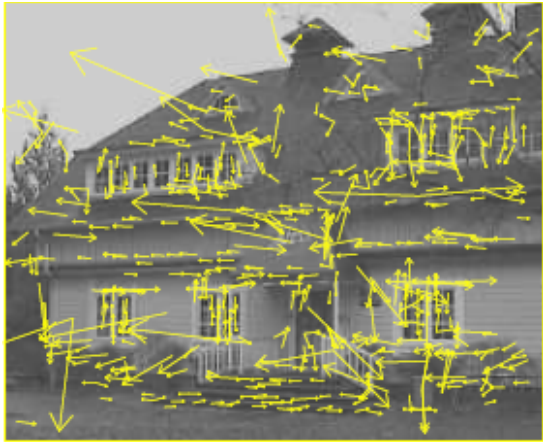
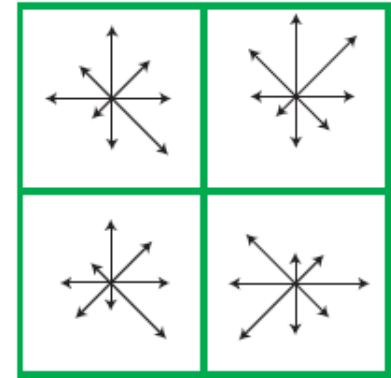


Image gradients

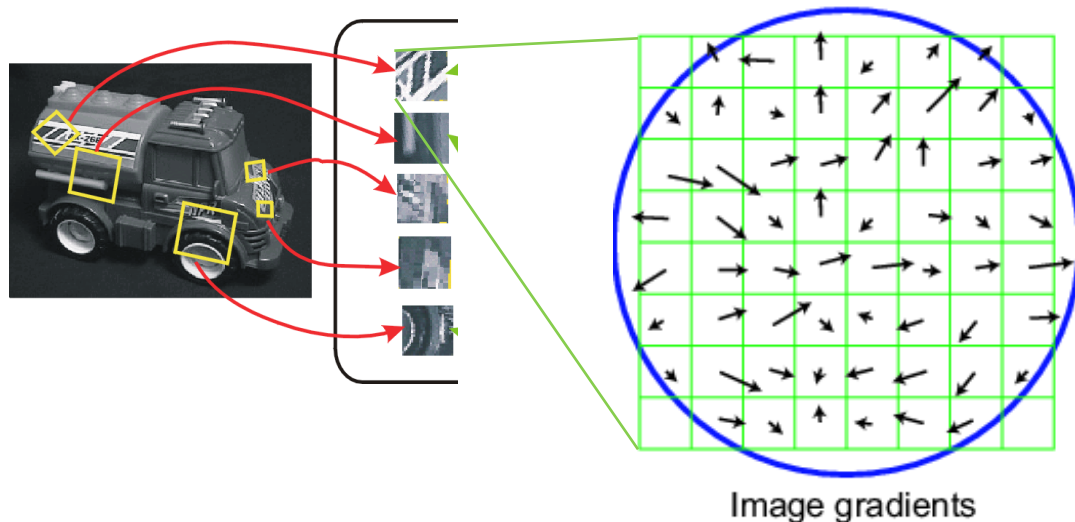


Keypoint descriptor

SIFT – Lowe IJCV 2004

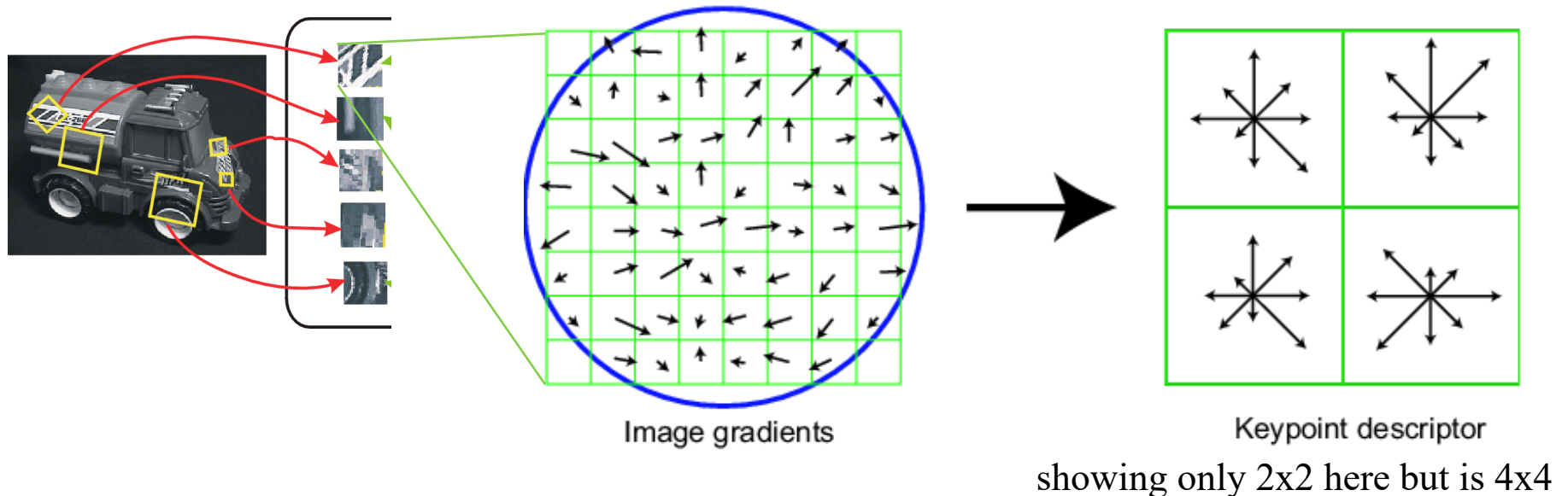
SIFT vector formation

- Computed on rotated and scaled version of window according to computed orientation & scale
 - resample the window
- Based on gradients weighted by a Gaussian of variance half the window (for smooth falloff)



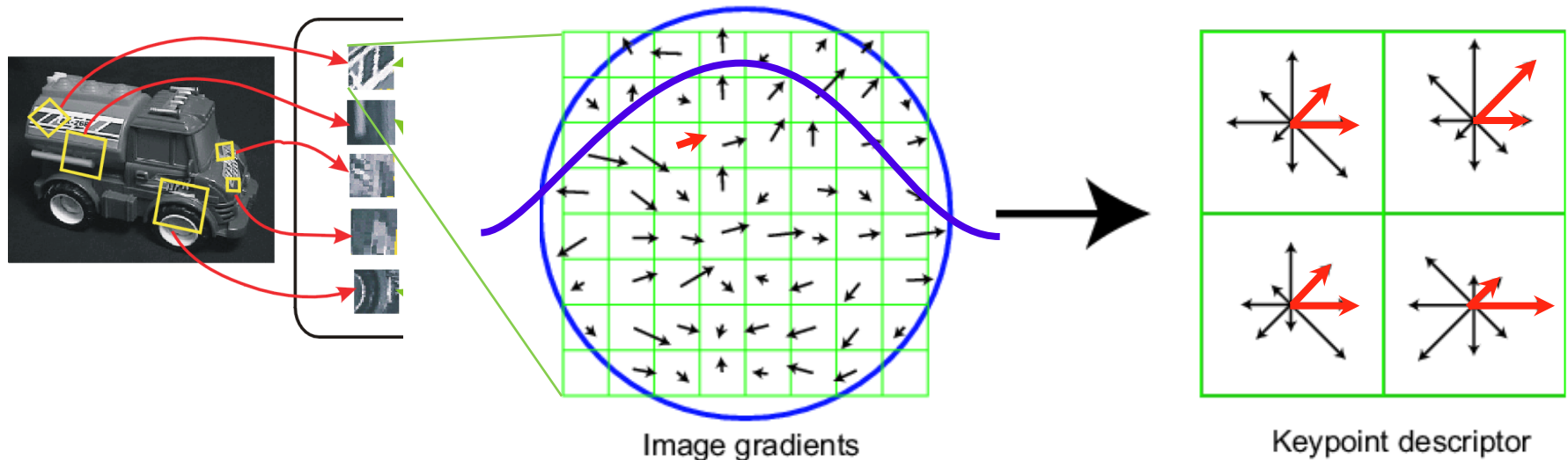
SIFT vector formation

- 4x4 array of gradient orientation histogram weighted by magnitude
- 8 orientations x 4x4 array = 128 dimensions
- Motivation: some sensitivity to spatial layout, but not too much.



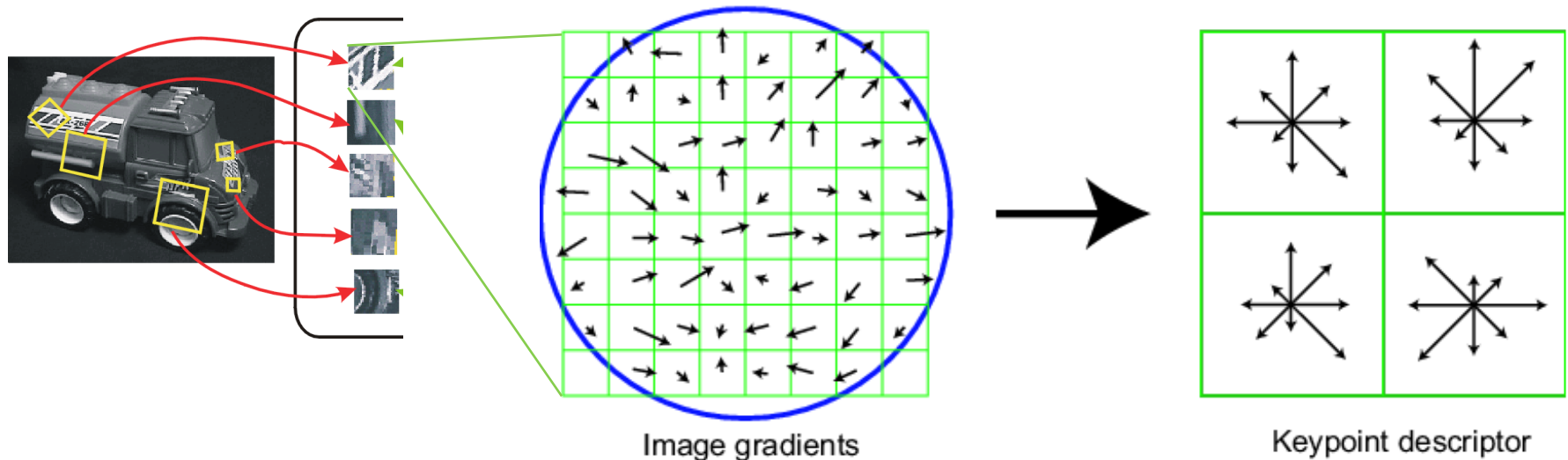
Ensure smoothness

- Gaussian weight
- Interpolation
 - a given gradient contributes to 8 bins:
4 in space times 2 in orientation

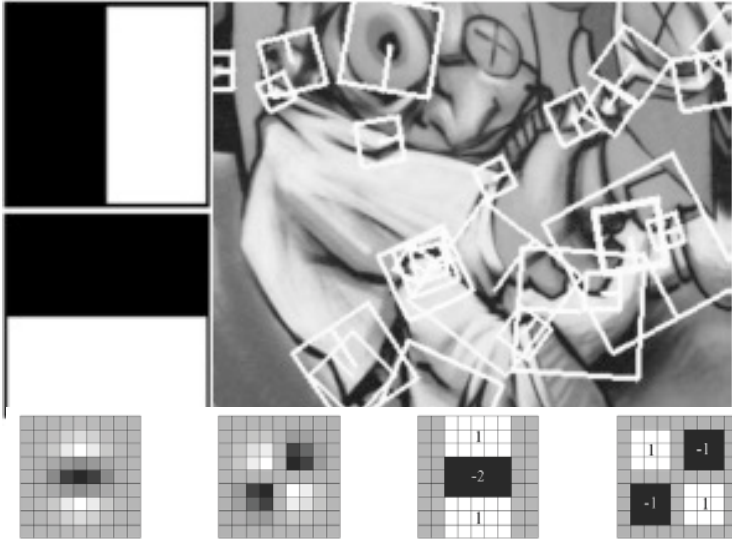


Reduce effect of illumination

- 128-dim vector normalized to 1
- Threshold gradient magnitudes to avoid excessive influence of high gradients
 - after normalization, clamp gradients >0.2
 - renormalize



Local Descriptors: SURF



Fast approximation of SIFT idea

Efficient computation by 2D box filters & integral images

⇒ 6 times faster than SIFT

Equivalent quality for object identification

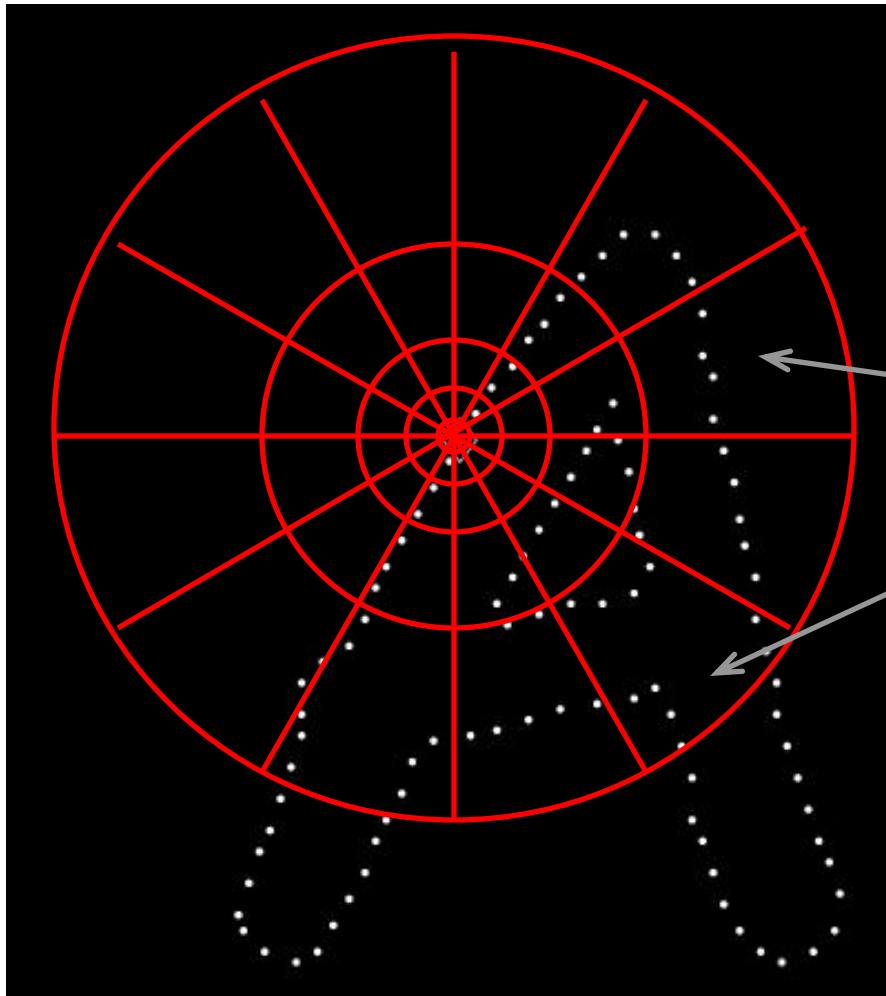
GPU implementation available

Feature extraction @ 200Hz

(detector + descriptor, 640×480 img)

<http://www.vision.ee.ethz.ch/~surf>

Local Descriptors: Shape Context



Count the number of points inside each bin, e.g.:

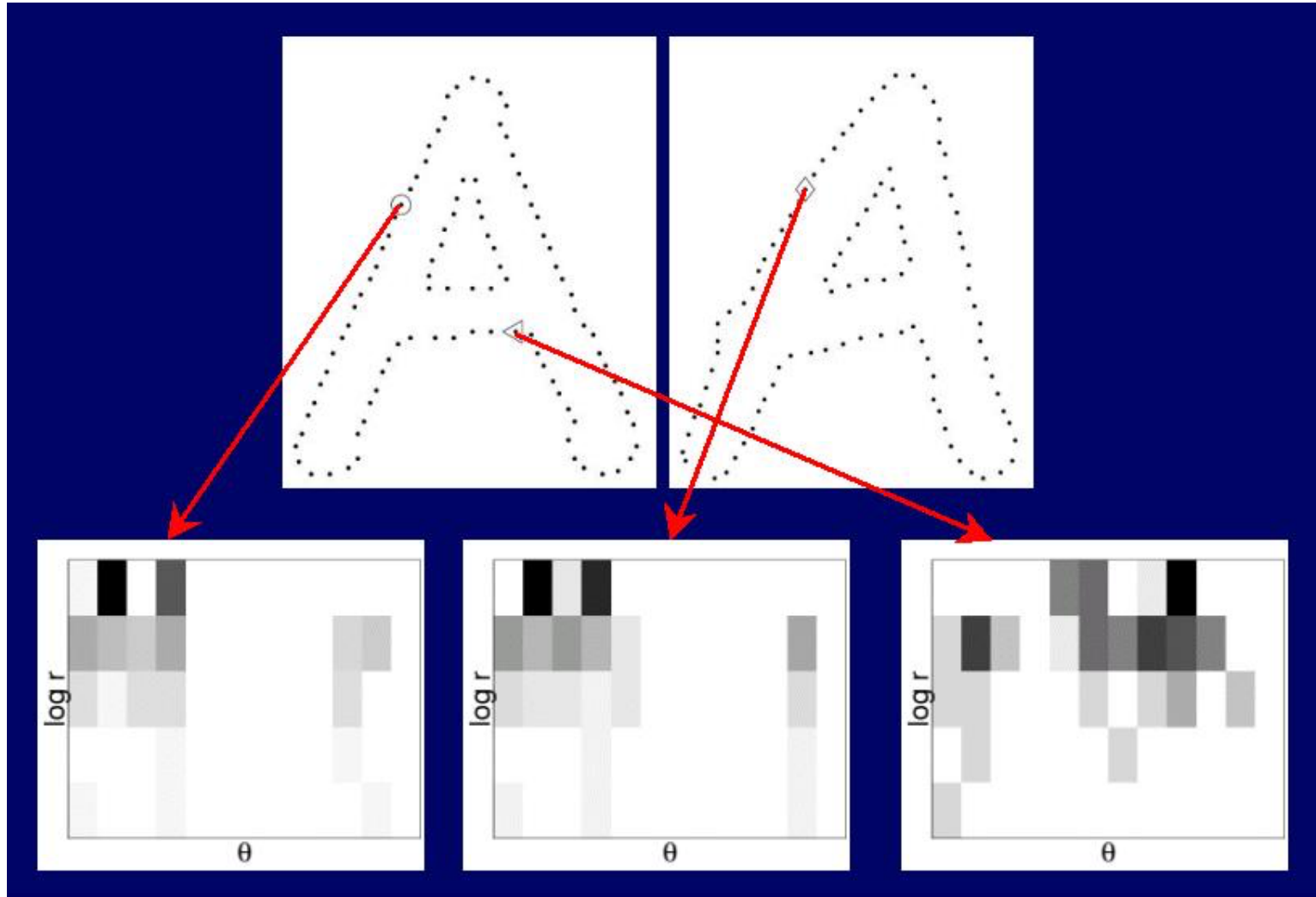
Count = 4

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Count = 10

Log-polar binning: more precision for nearby points, more flexibility for farther points.

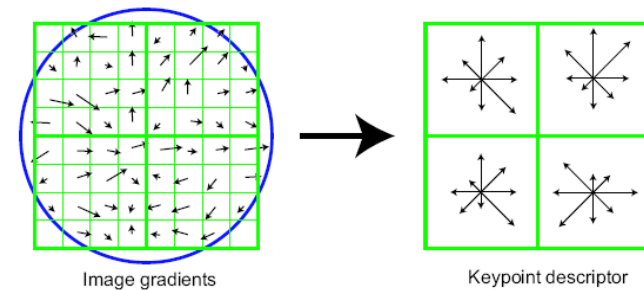
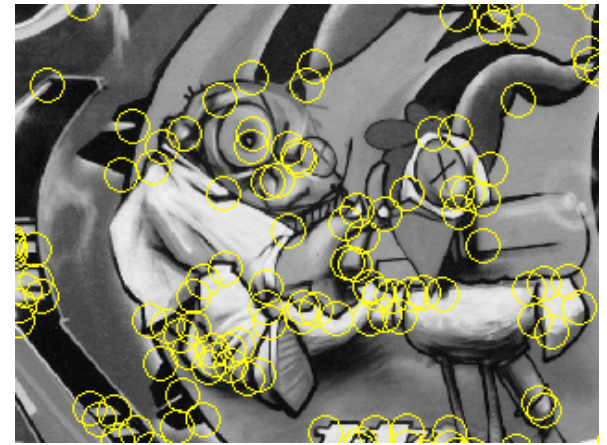
Shape Context Descriptor



Things to remember

- Keypoint detection: repeatable and distinctive
 - Corners, blobs, stable regions
 - Harris, DoG

- Descriptors: robust and selective
 - spatial histograms of orientation
 - SIFT



Deep Descriptors

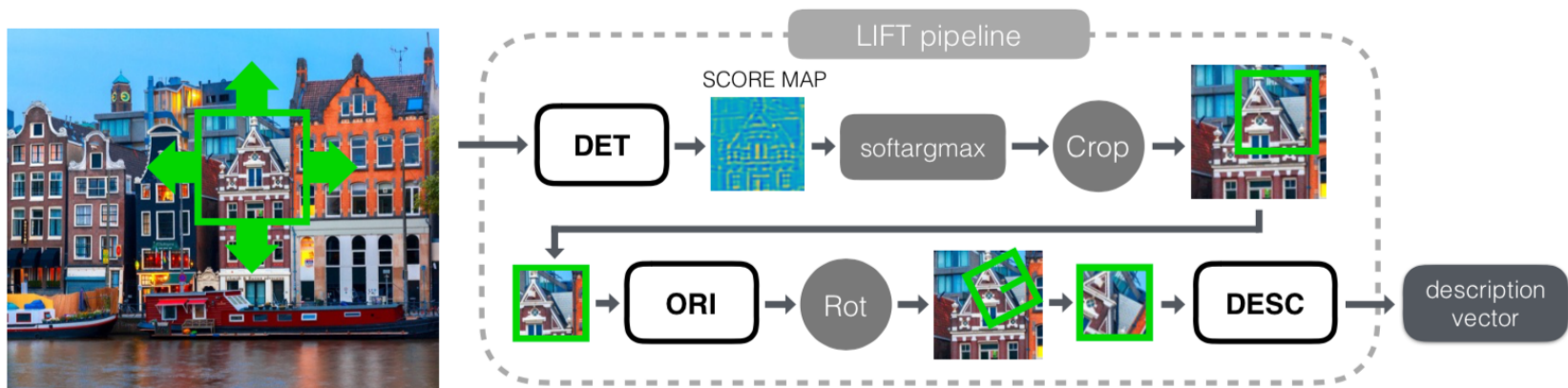
LIFT: Learned Invariant Feature Transform

ECCV 2016

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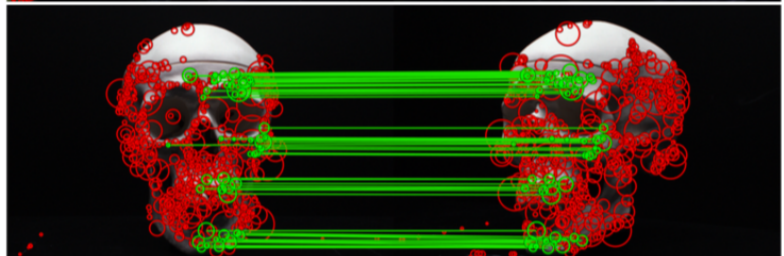
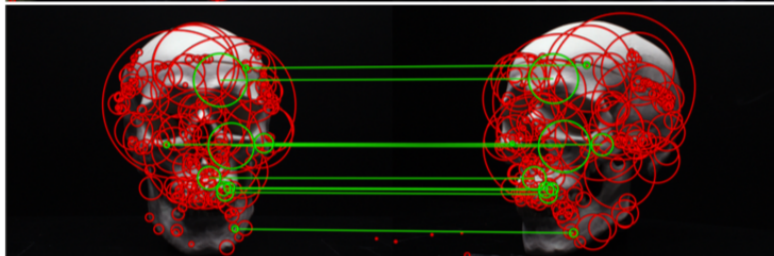
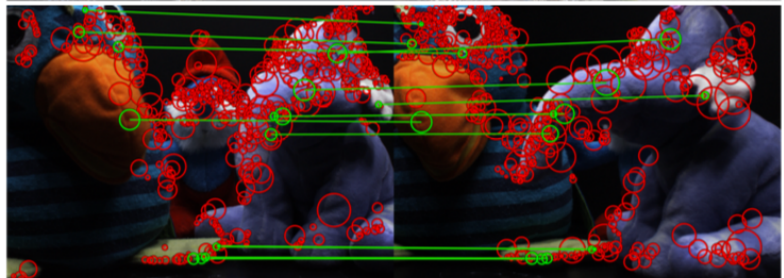
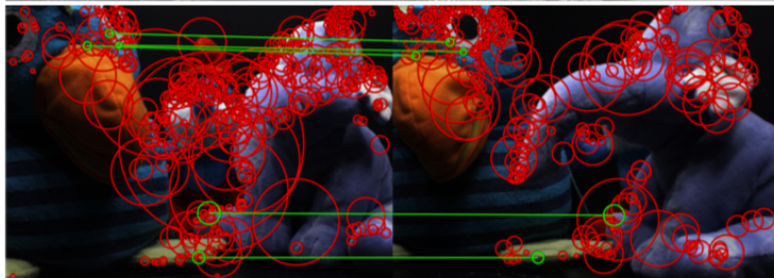
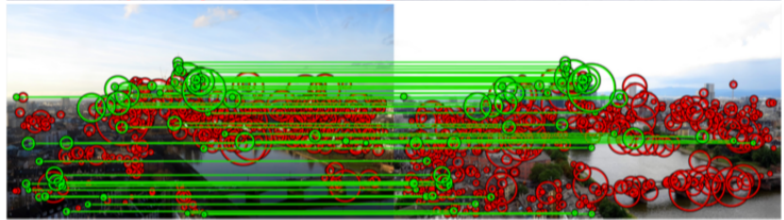
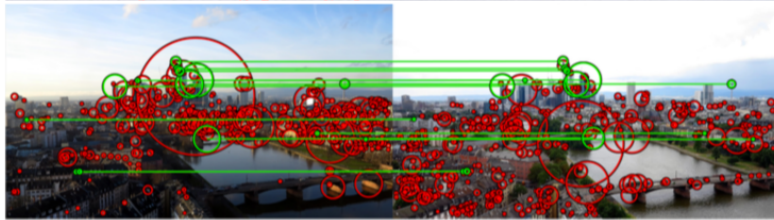
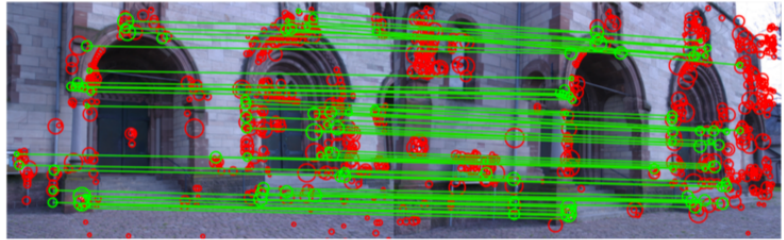
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- Three networks: detection, orientation, description
- detection+orientation -> STN -> descriptor
- Trained separately :-)

SIFT vs. LIFT



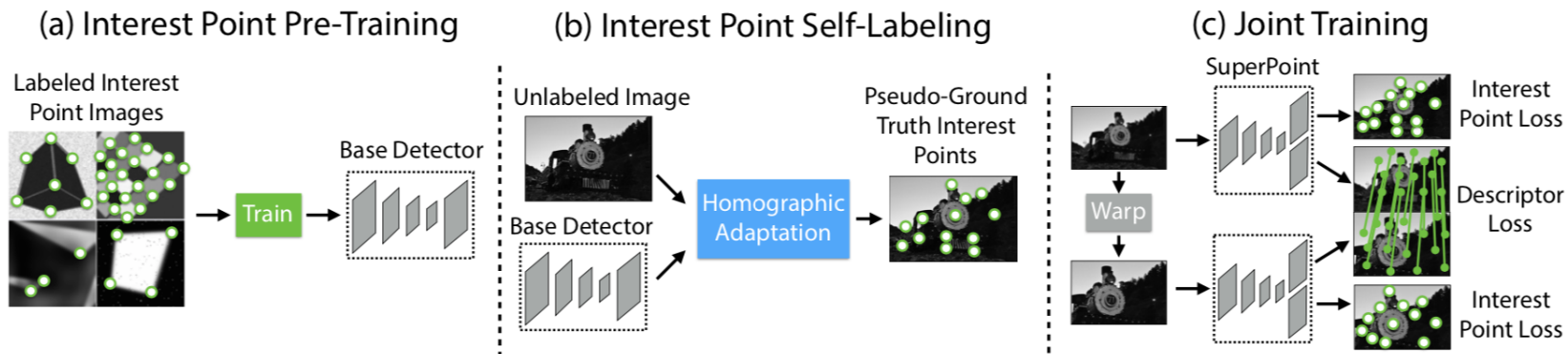
SuperPoint: Self-Supervised Interest Point Detection and Description

2018 CVPR Workshop

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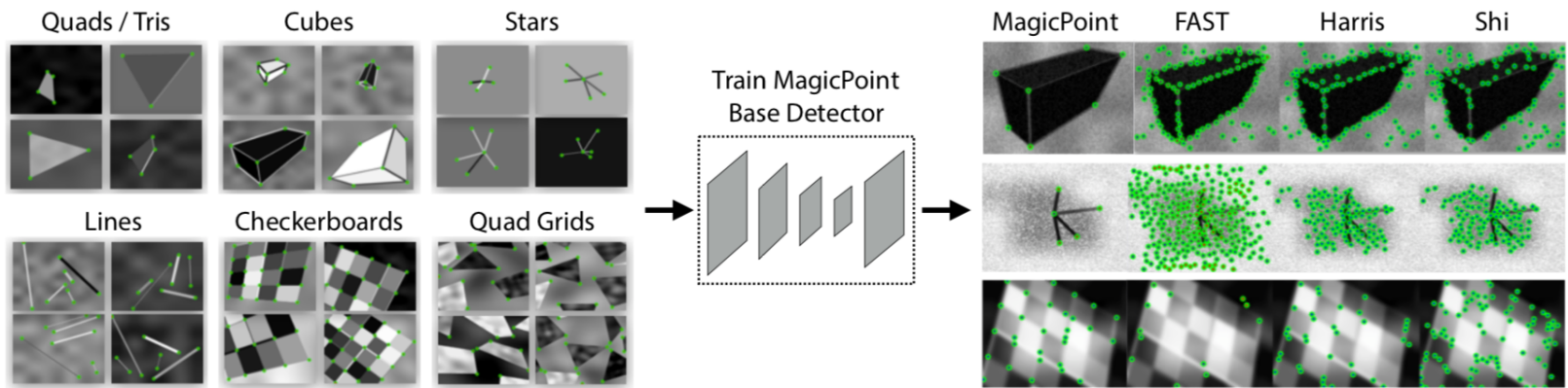
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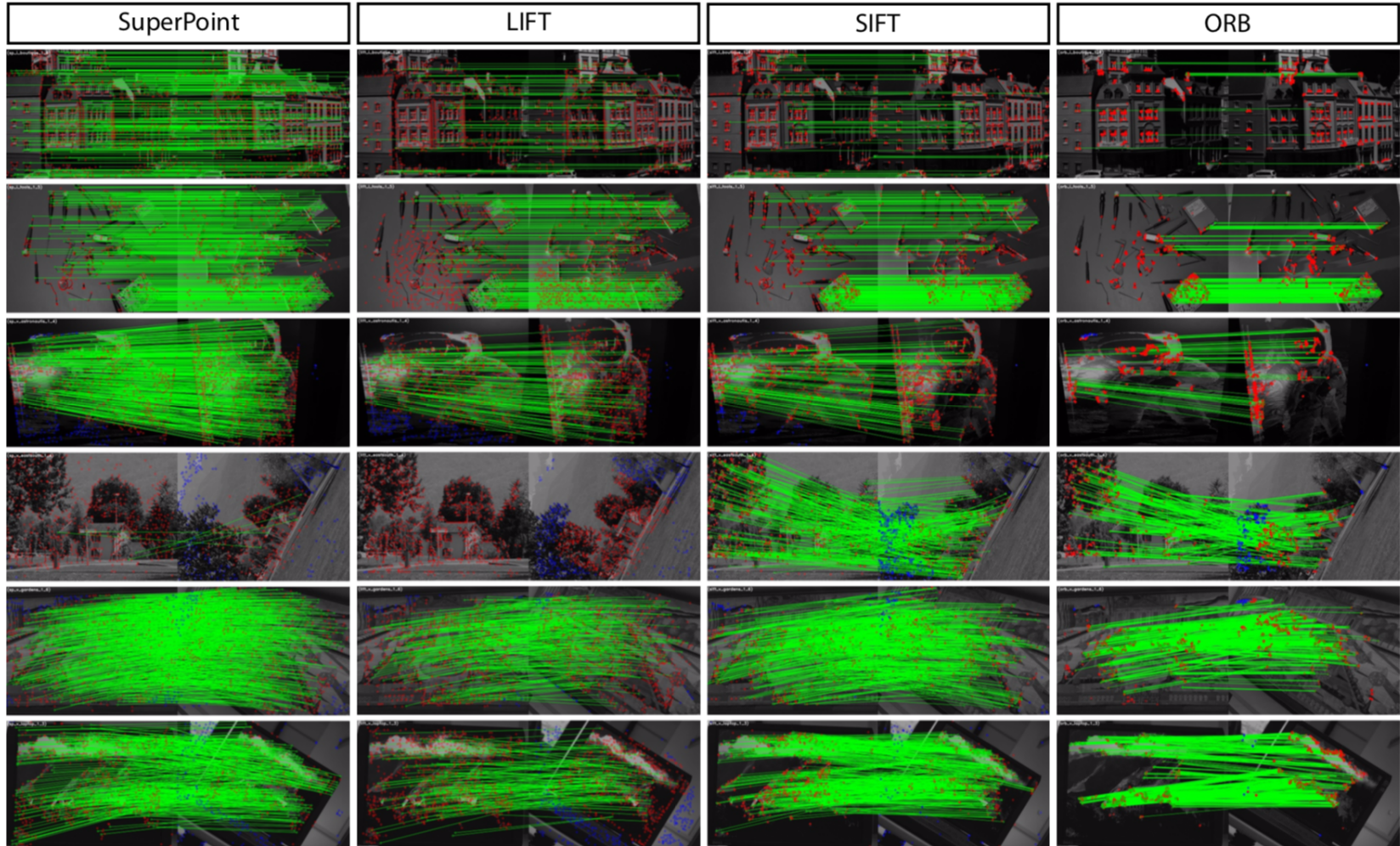


- Interest point = ill-defined -> self-supervised
- MagicPoint -> SuperPoint

MagicPoint



SuperPoint Results



D2-Net: A Trainable CNN for *Joint Description and Detection of Local Features*

CVPR 2019

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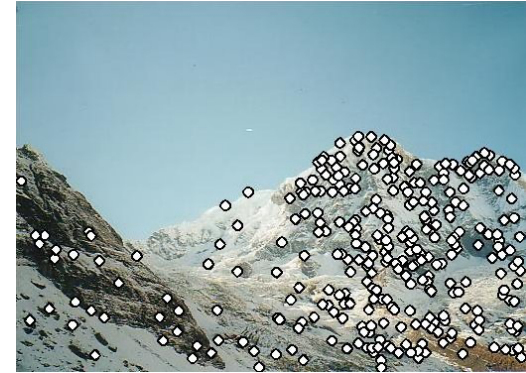
- Tensor viewed as descriptors and detector maps
- VGG16-based, loss encourages distinctiveness and repeatability
- Results beat the star of the art in day-night and indoor localization, but not in more traditional settings (Superpoint shines for HPatches, **GeoDesc** for SFM)



Matching

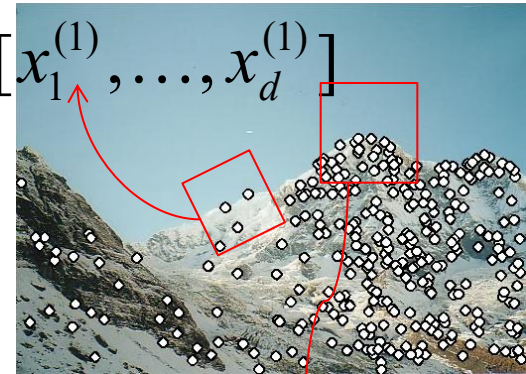
Local features: main components

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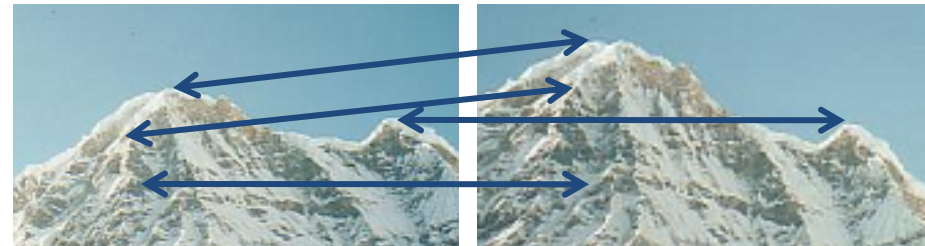
2) **Description:** Extract vector feature descriptor surrounding each interest point.

feature descriptor surrounding $\mathbf{x}_1 = [x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_d^{(1)}]$



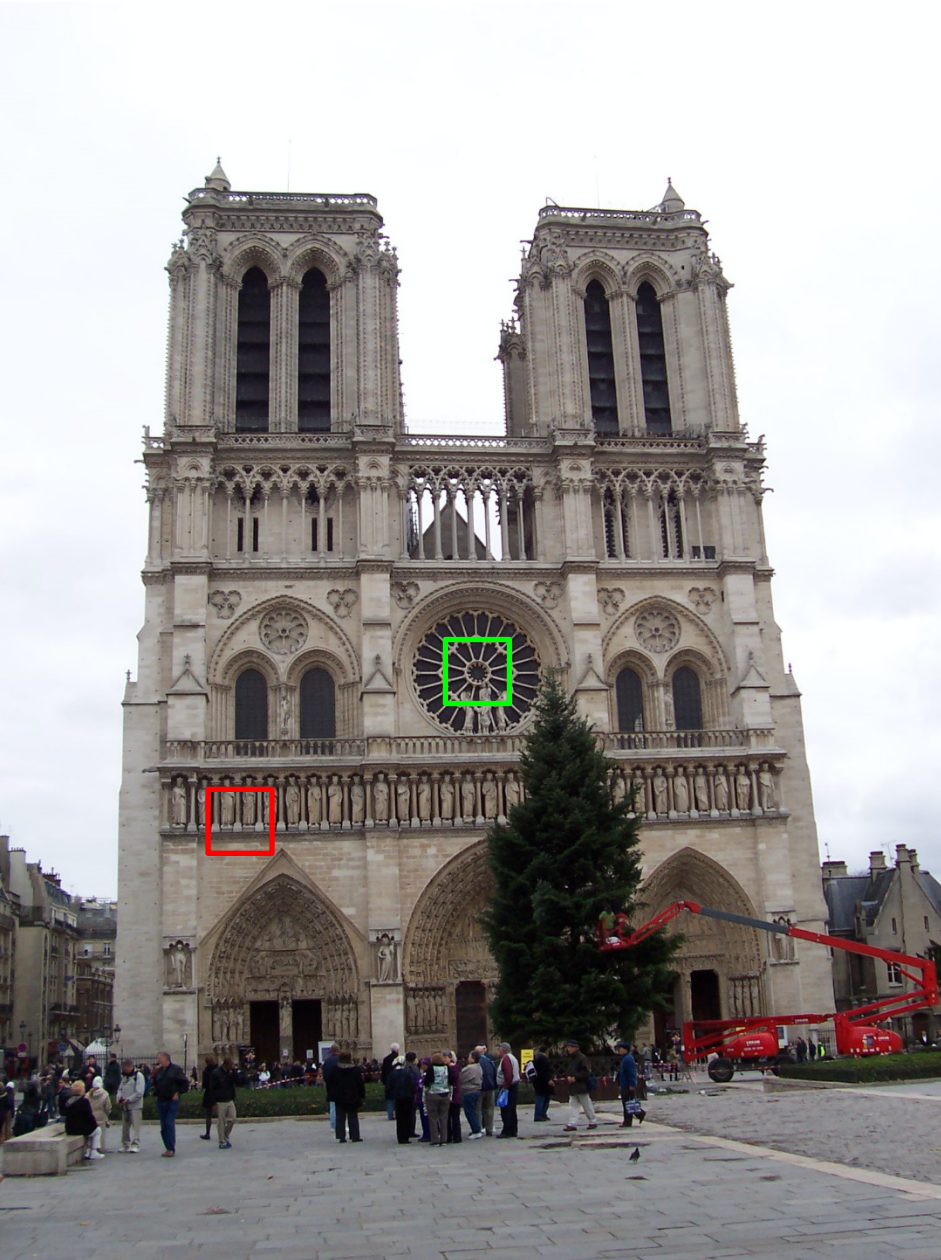
3) **Matching:** Determine correspondence between descriptors in two views

$\mathbf{x}_2 = [x_1^{(2)}, \dots, x_d^{(2)}]$

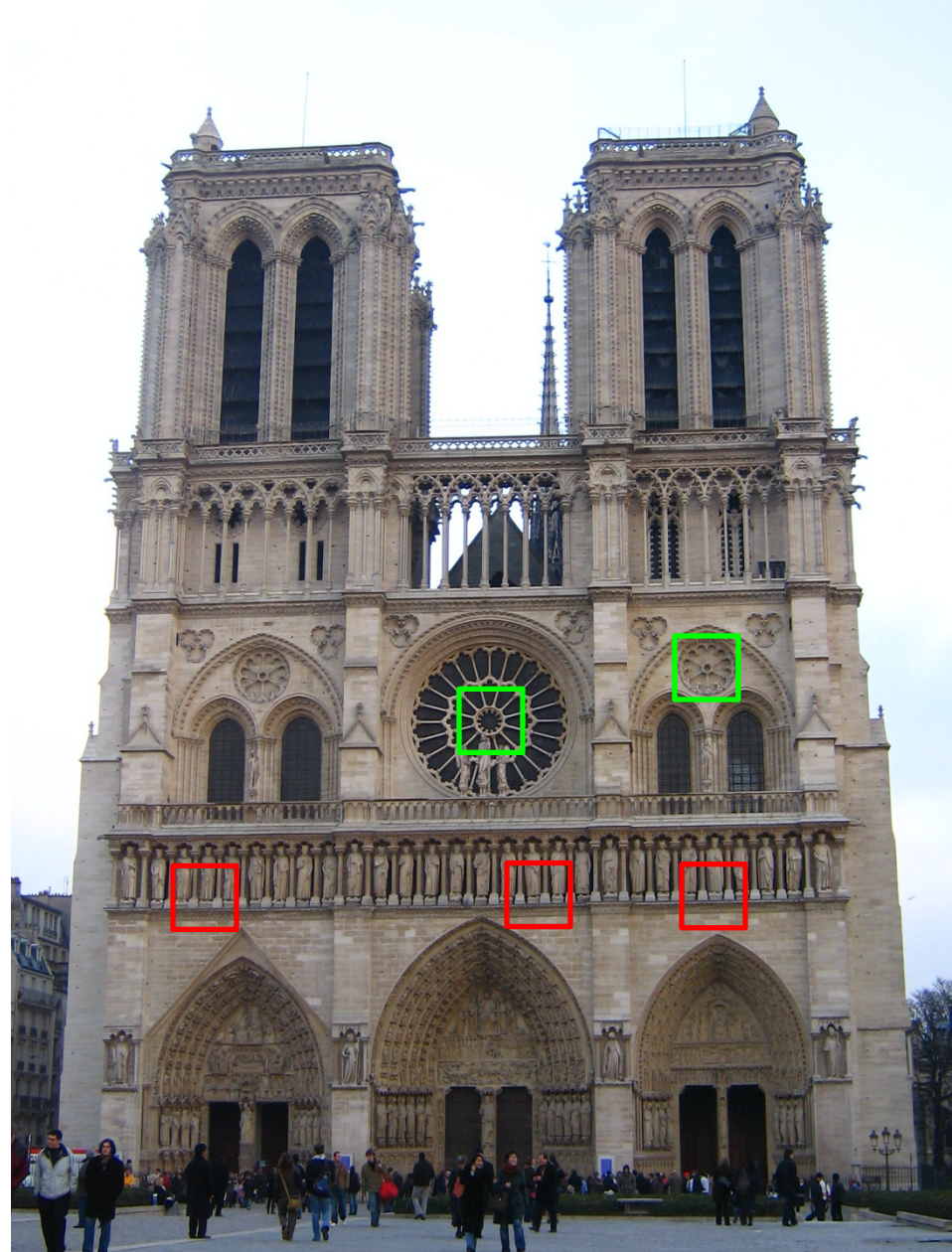


Matching

- Simplest approach: Pick the nearest neighbor.
Threshold on absolute distance
- Problem: Lots of self similarity in many photos



Distance: 0.34, 0.30, 0.40



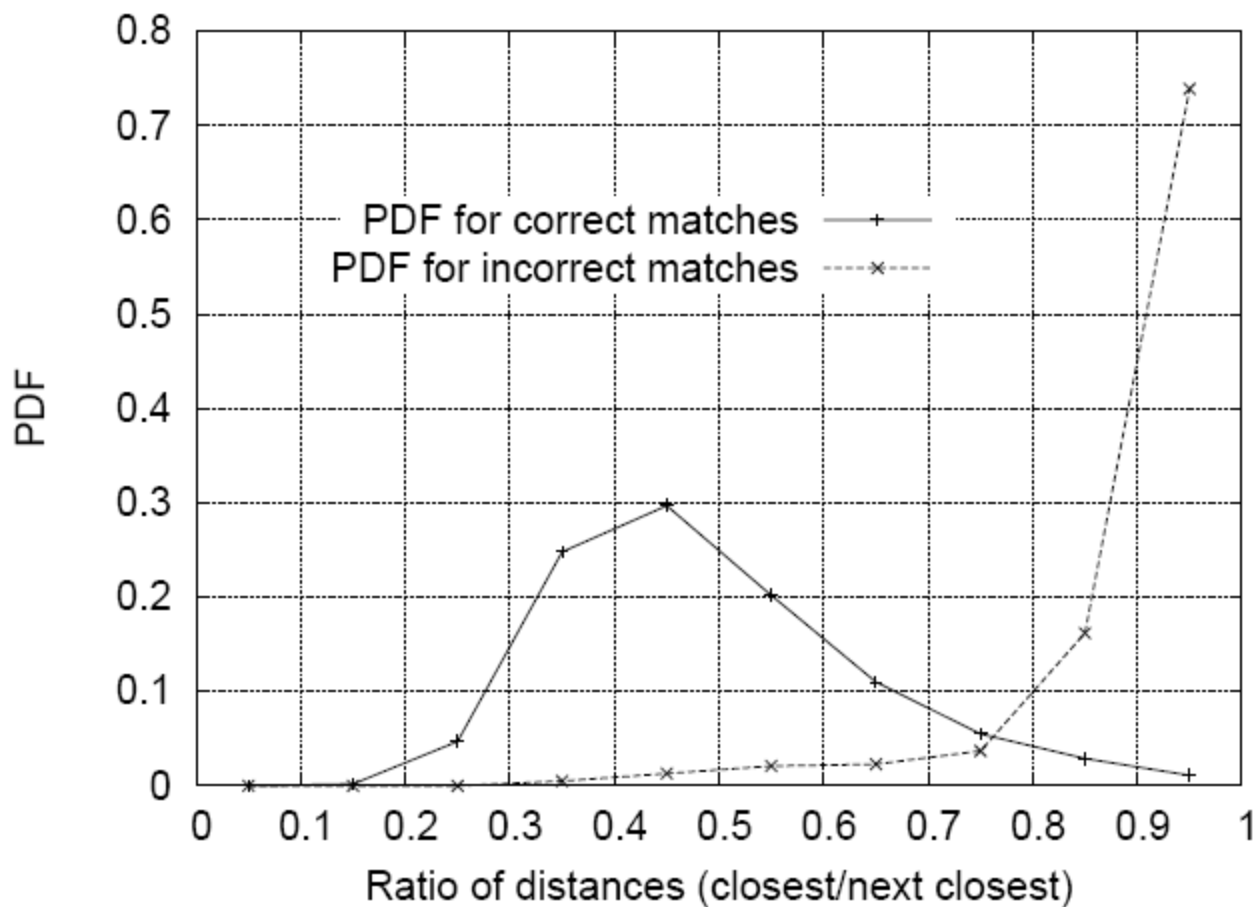
Distance: 0.61
Distance: 1.22

Nearest Neighbor Distance Ratio

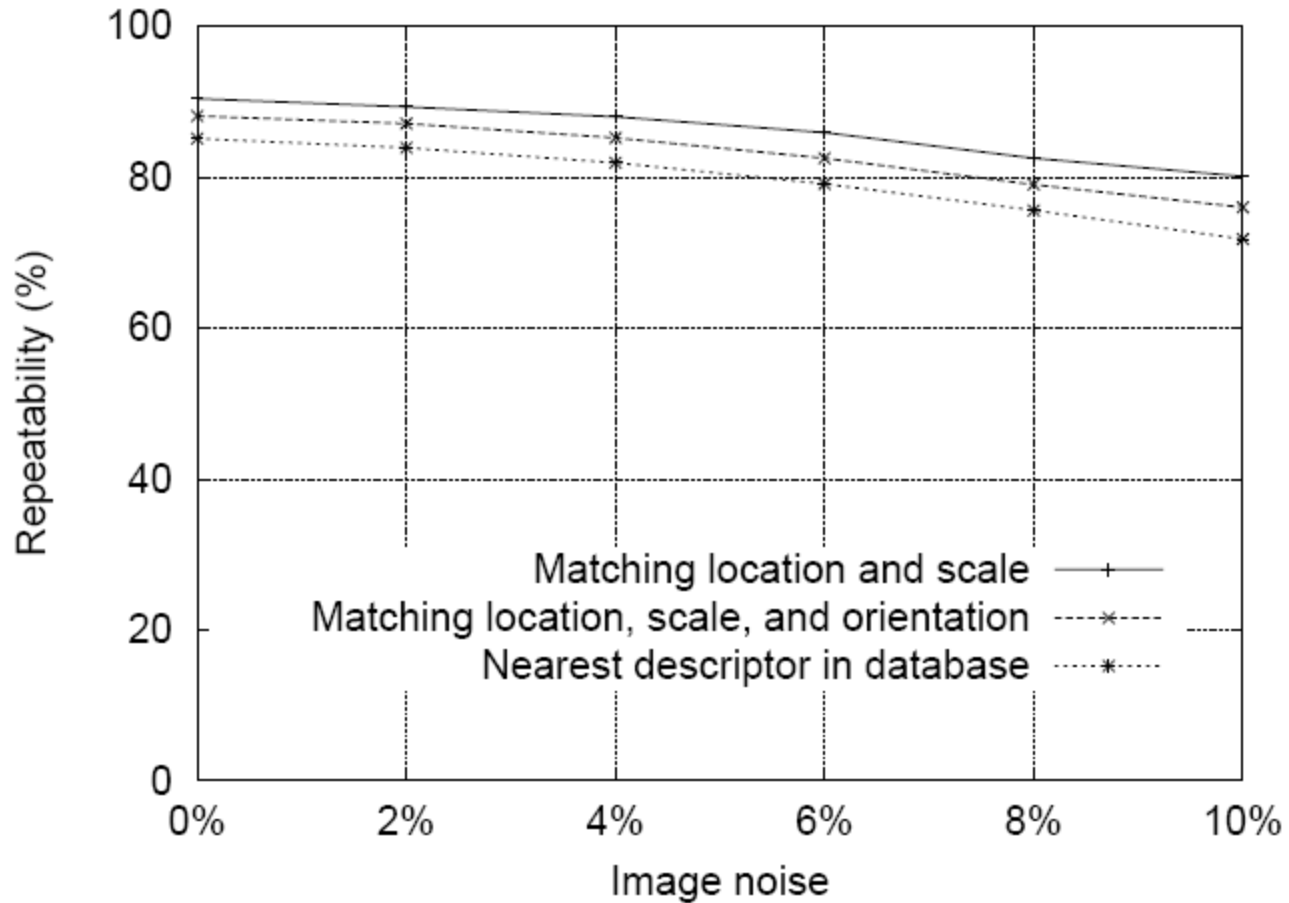
- $\frac{NN1}{NN2}$ where NN1 is the distance to the first nearest neighbor and NN2 is the distance to the second nearest neighbor.
- Sorting by this ratio puts matches in order of confidence.

Matching Local Features

- Nearest neighbor (Euclidean distance)
- Threshold ratio of nearest to 2nd nearest descriptor



SIFT Repeatability



SIFT Repeatability

