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3. Image Processing



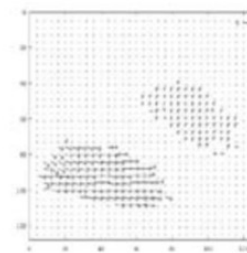
4. Features



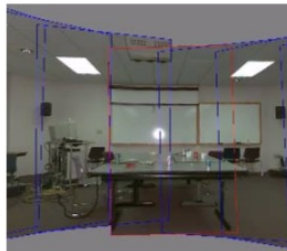
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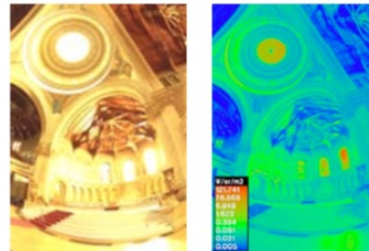
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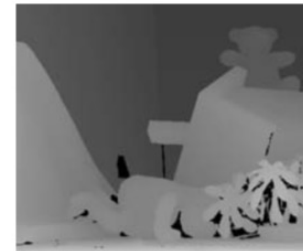
8. Motion



9. Stitching



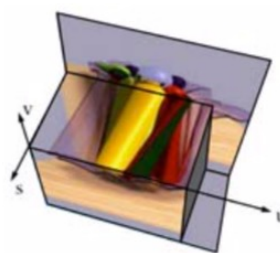
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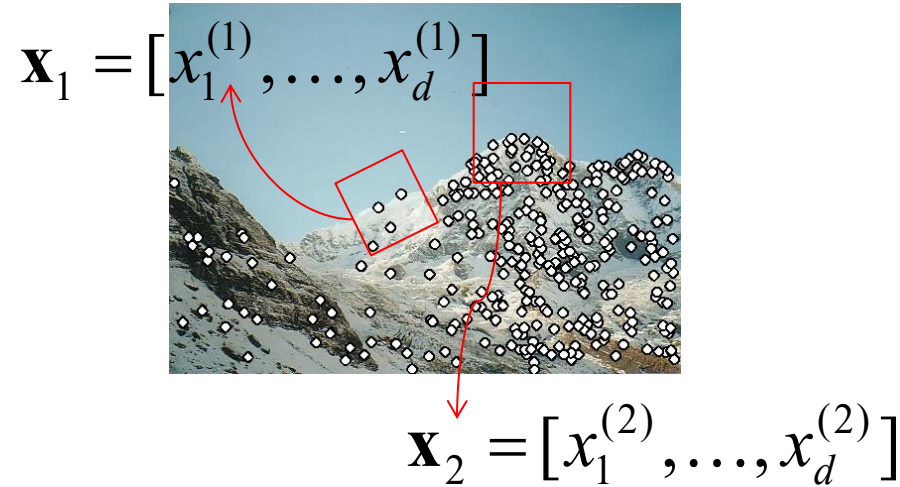
# Descriptors

# Local features: main components

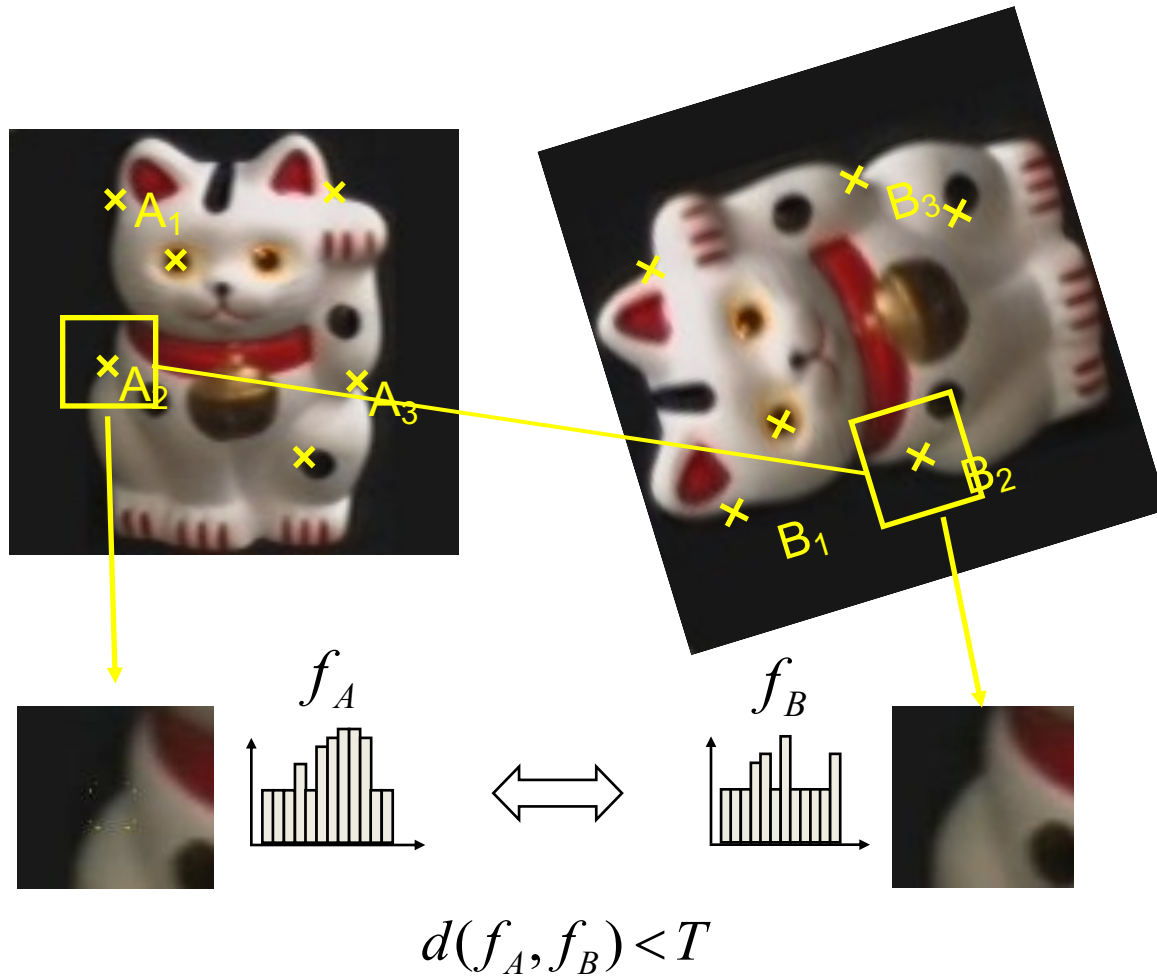
1) **Detection:** Identify the interest points

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

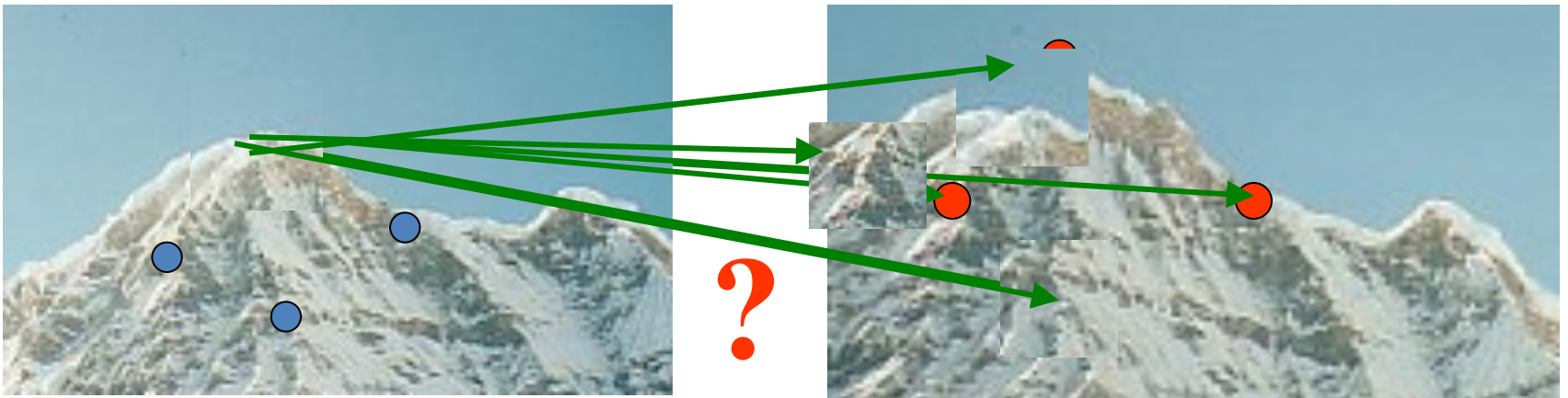
# Goals for interest points



Detect points that are *repeatable* and *distinctive*

# Goal for descriptors: distinctiveness

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

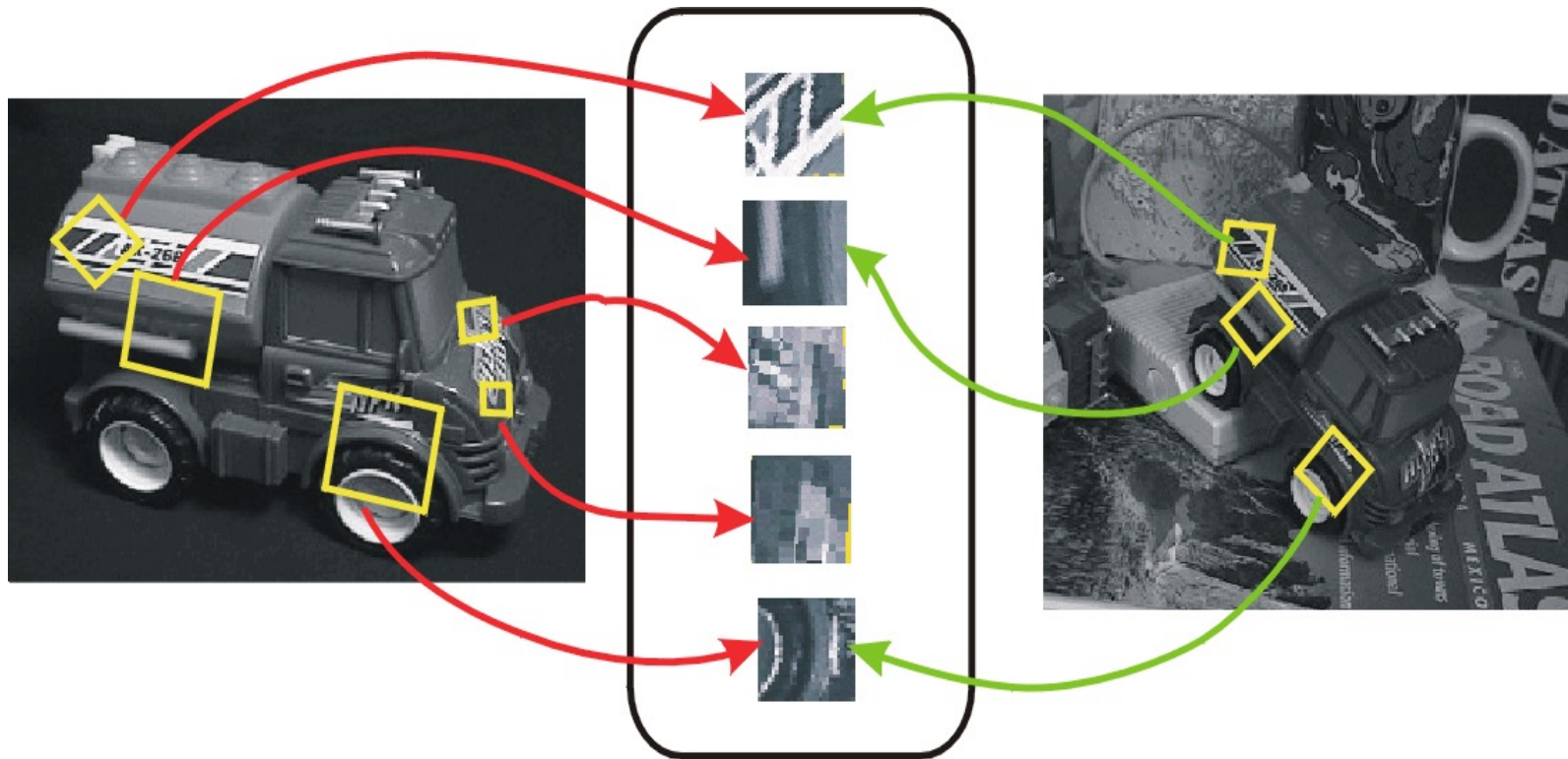


- Must provide some invariance to geometric and photometric differences between the two views.



# 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

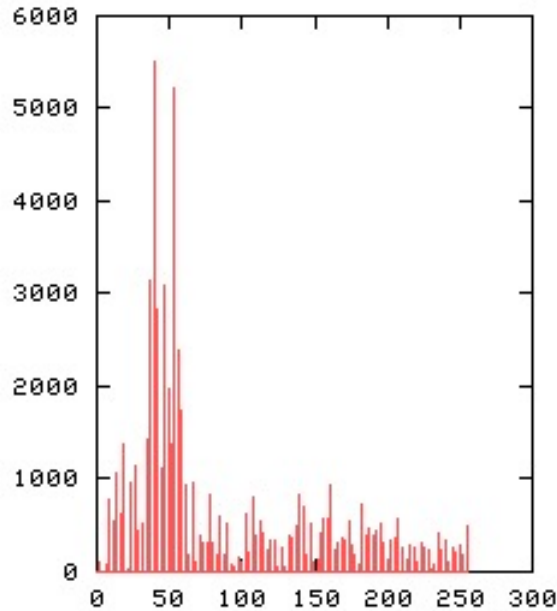
- Intensity, gradients, etc.



- Histograms

- Color, texture, SIFT descriptors, etc.

# Image Representations: Histograms

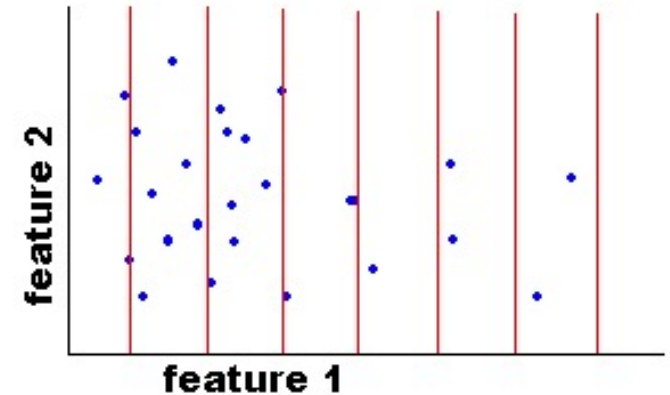
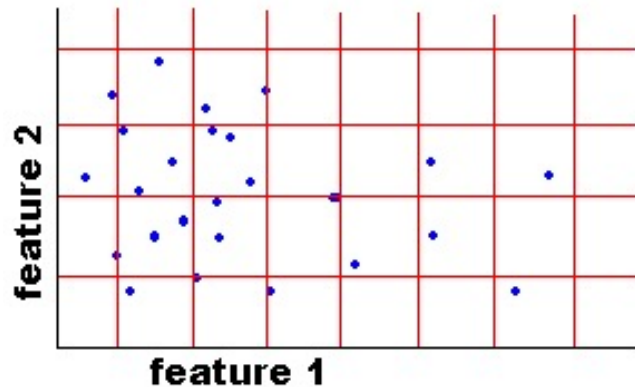
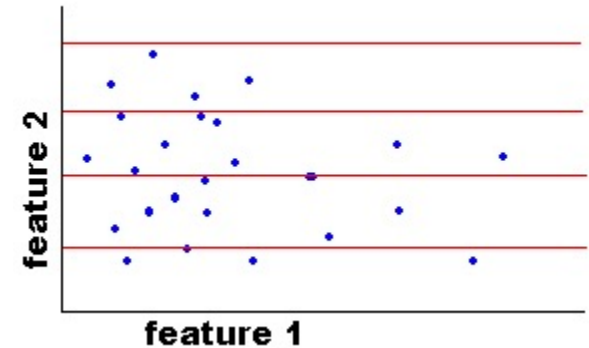
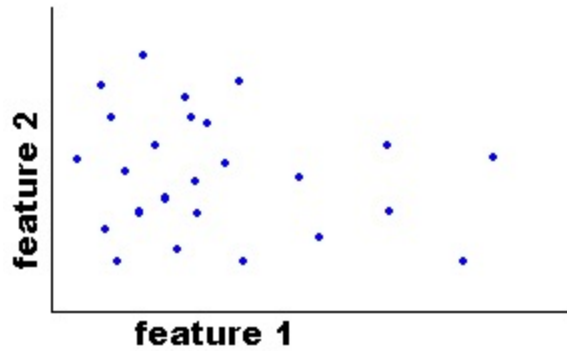


## Global histogram

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

# Image Representations: Histograms

Histogram: Probability or count of data in each bin



- **Joint histogram**

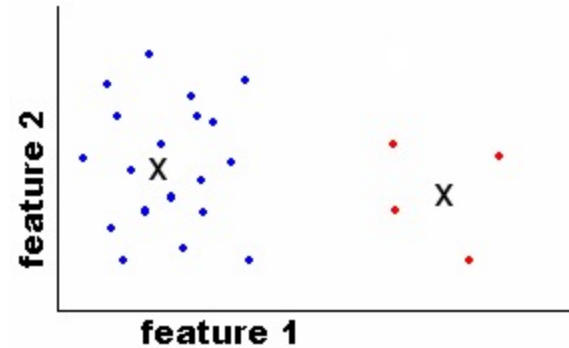
- Requires lots of data
- Loss of resolution to avoid empty bins

## 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

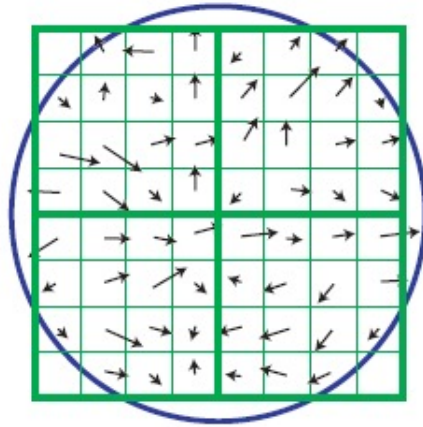
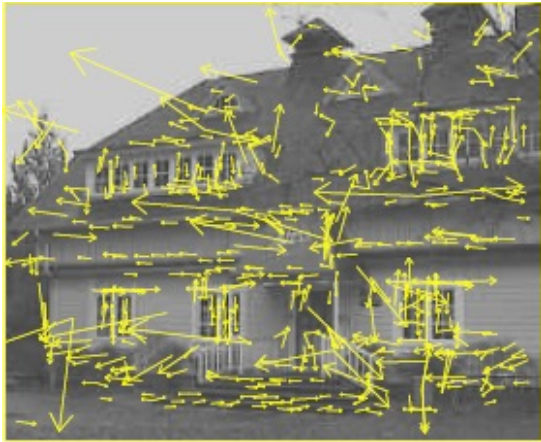
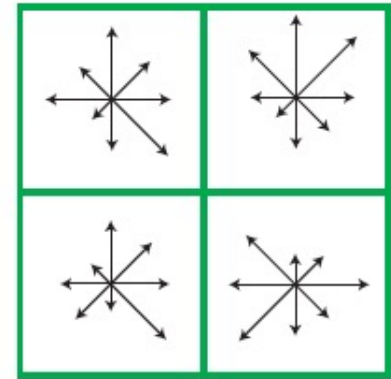


Image gradients

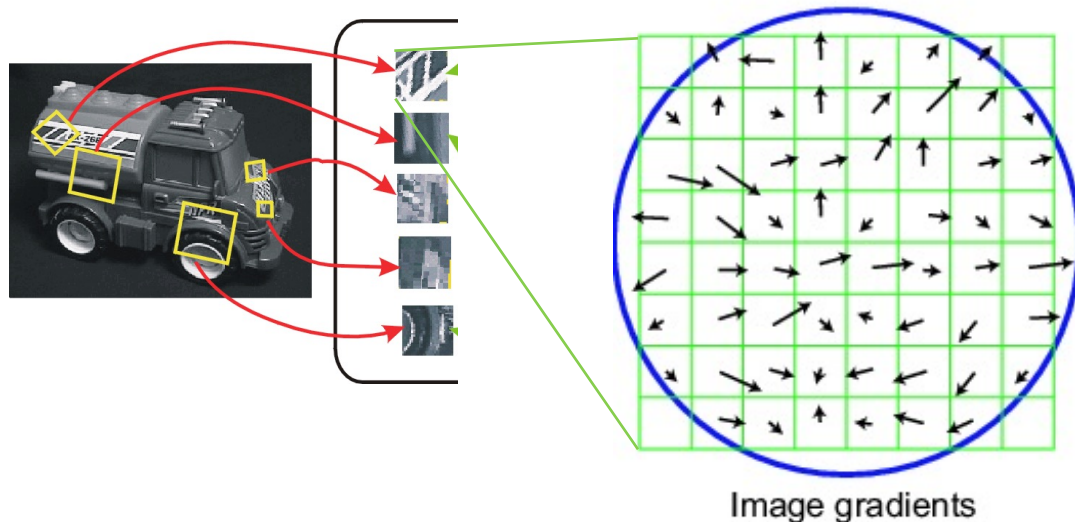


Keypoint descriptor

SIFT – Lowe IJCV 2004

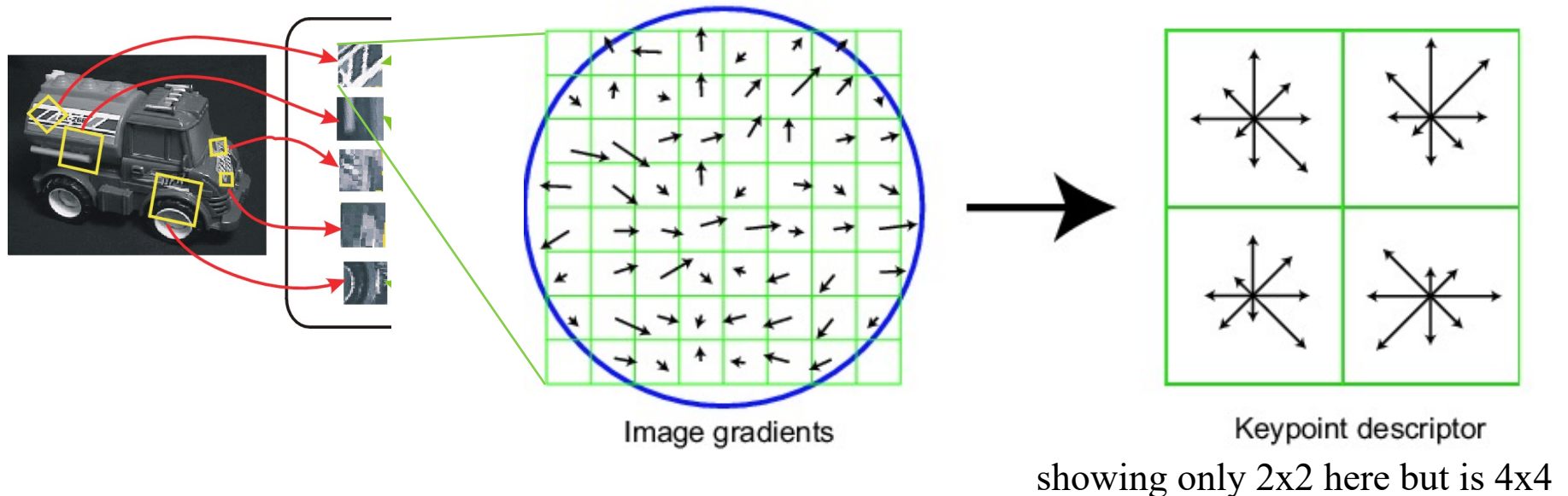
# SIFT vector formation

- 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

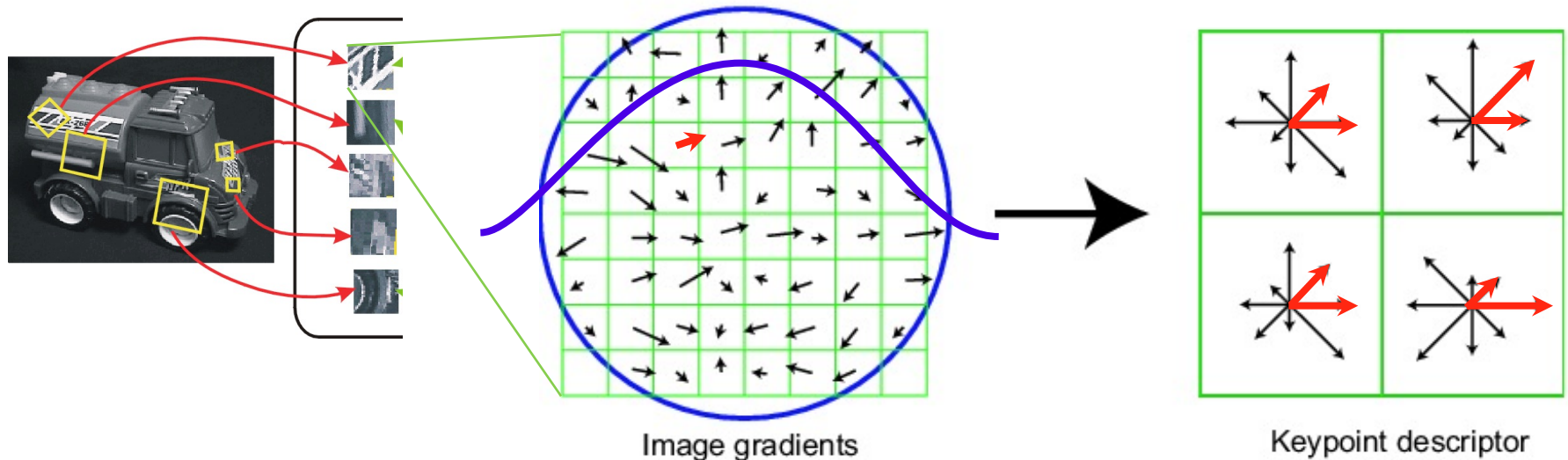
- 4x4 array of gradient orientation histogram weighted by magnitude
- 8 orientations x 4x4 array = 128 dimensions
- Motivation: some sensitivity to spatial layout, but not too much.





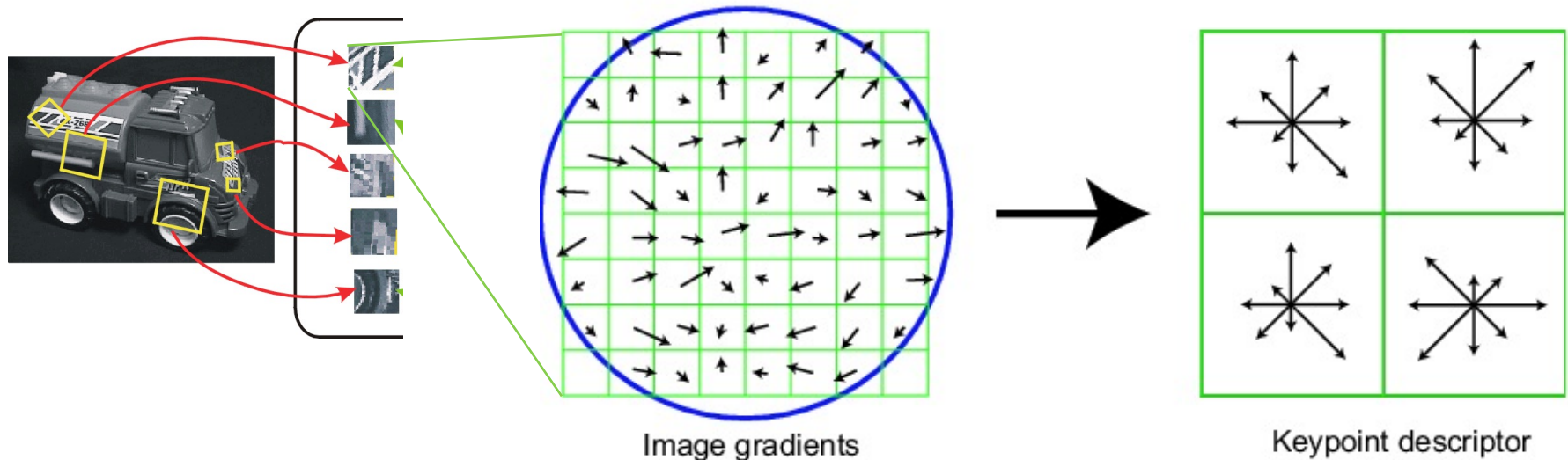
# Ensure smoothness

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

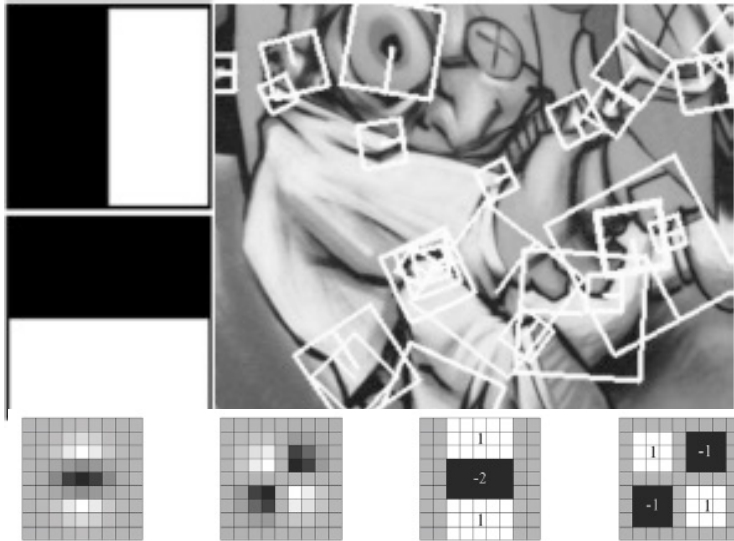


# Reduce effect of illumination

- 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

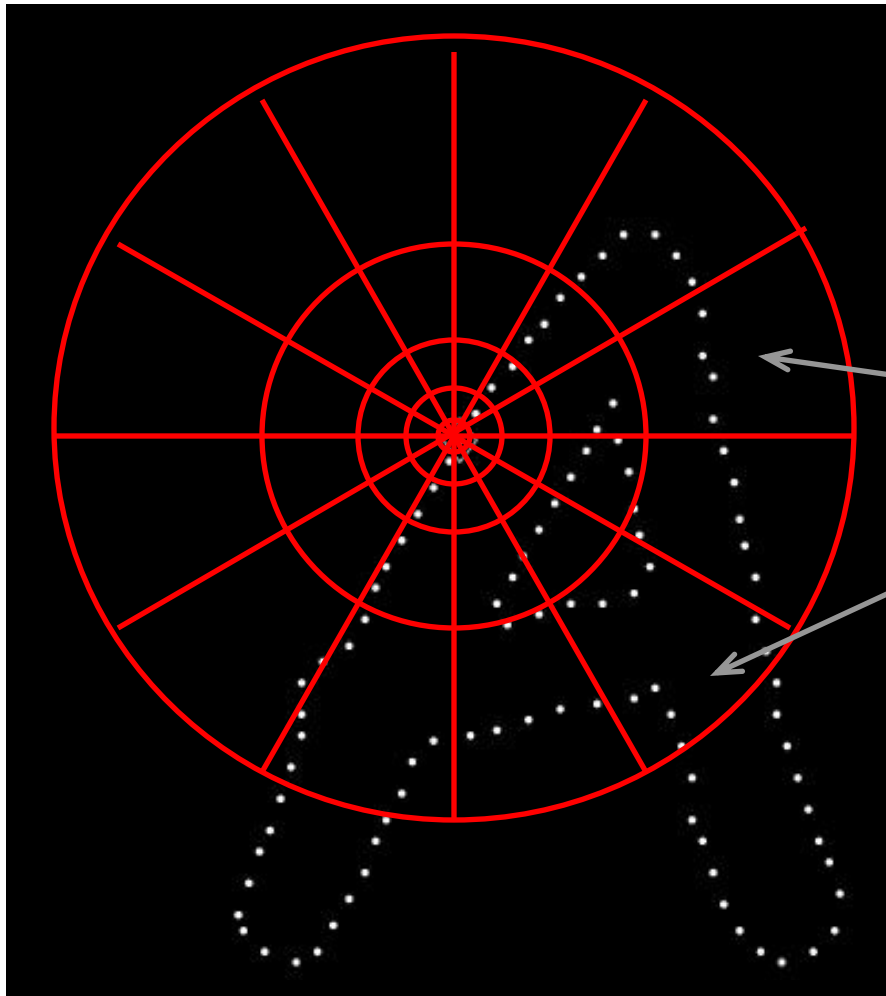
## GPU implementation available

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.:

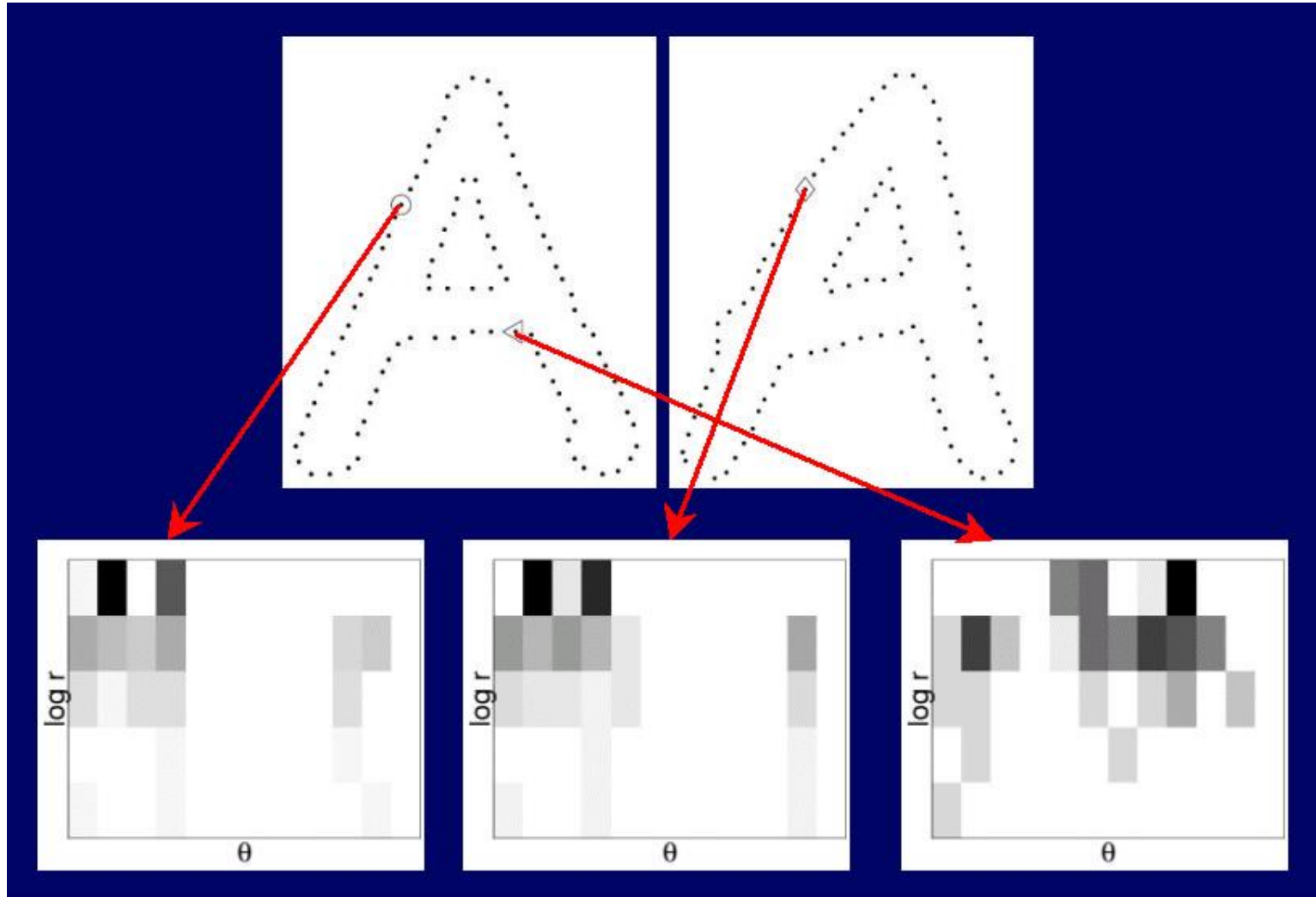
Count = 4

⋮

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

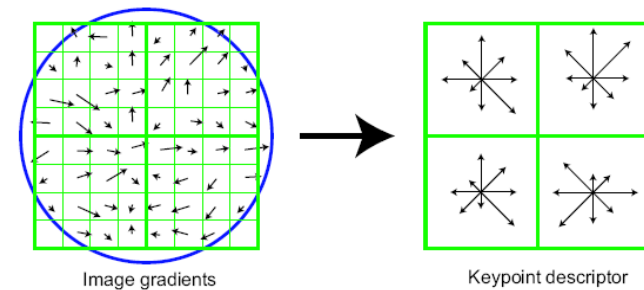


Image gradients

Keypoint descriptor

# Deep Descriptors

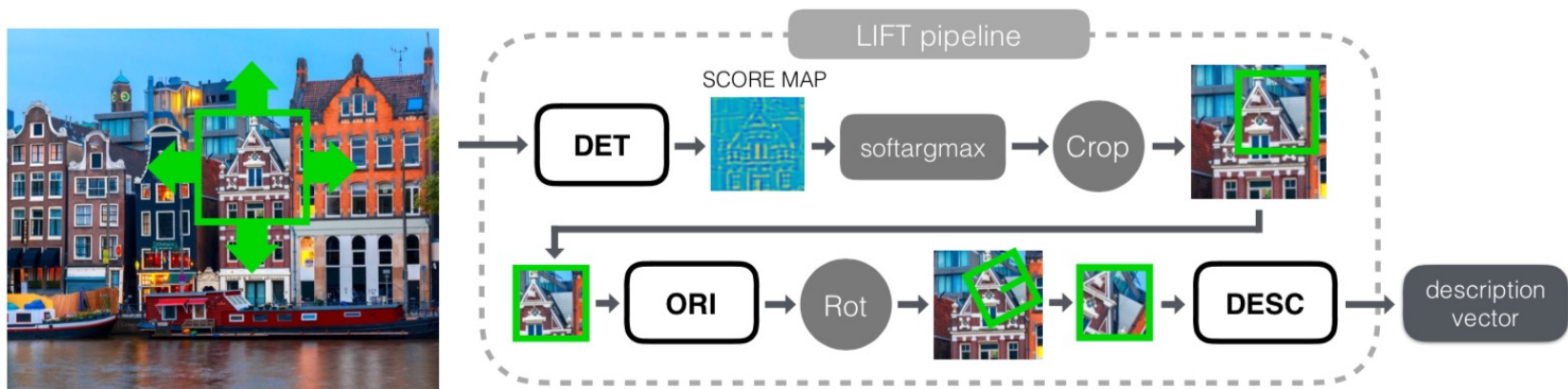
# LIFT: Learned Invariant Feature Transform

## ECCV 2016

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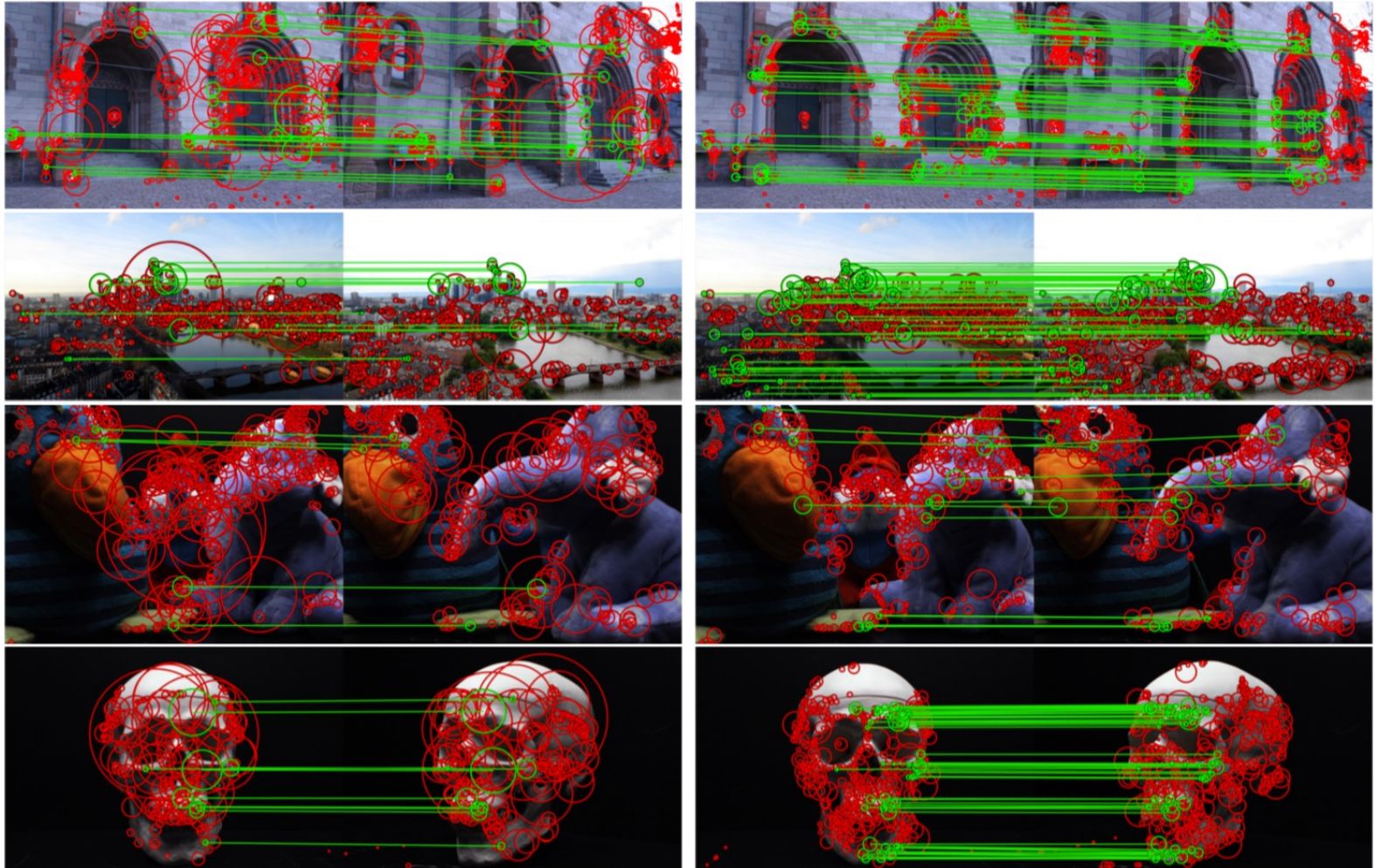
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- Three networks: detection, orientation, description
- detection+orientation -> STN -> descriptor
- Trained separately :-)



# SIFT vs. LIFT



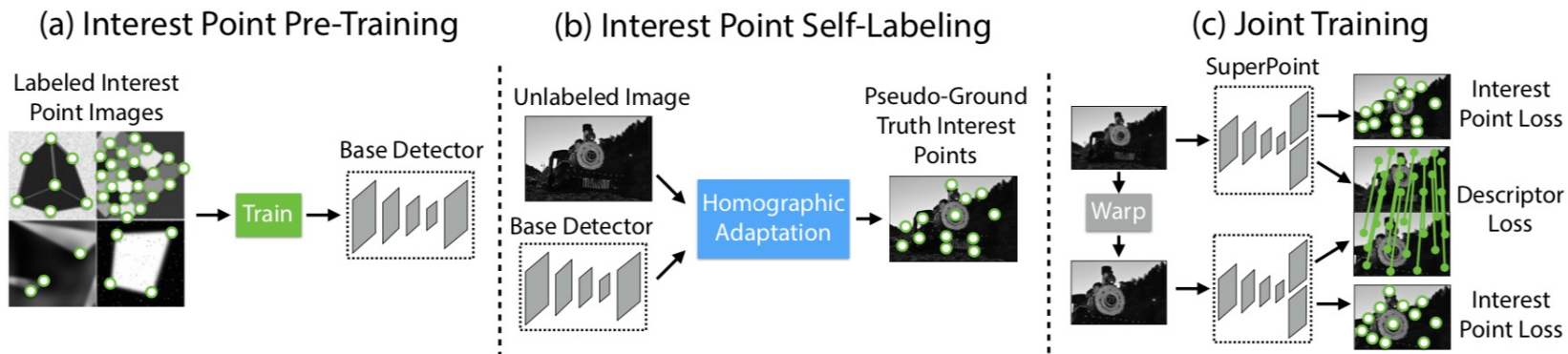
# SuperPoint: Self-Supervised Interest Point Detection and Description

2018 CVPR Workshop

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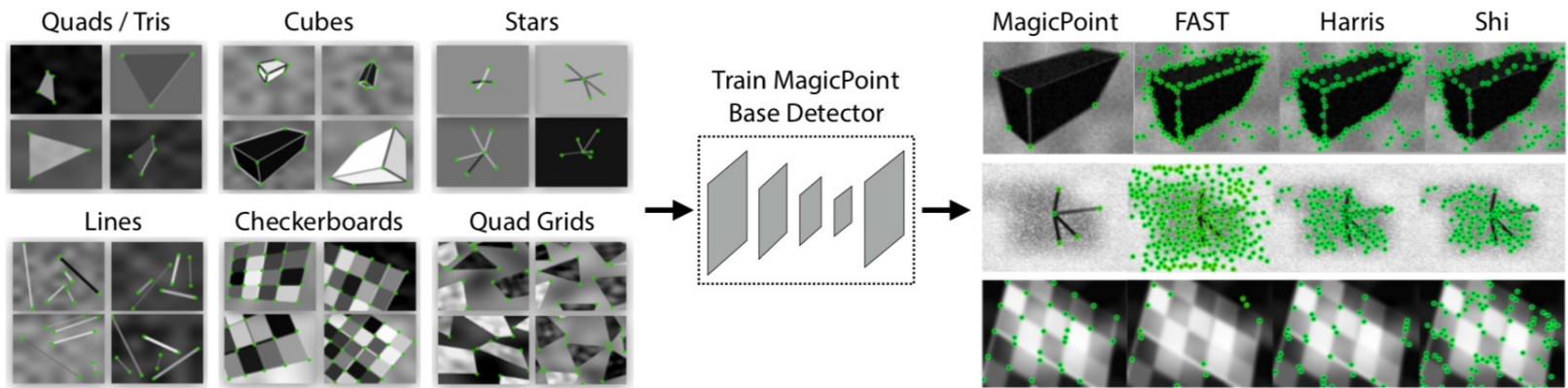
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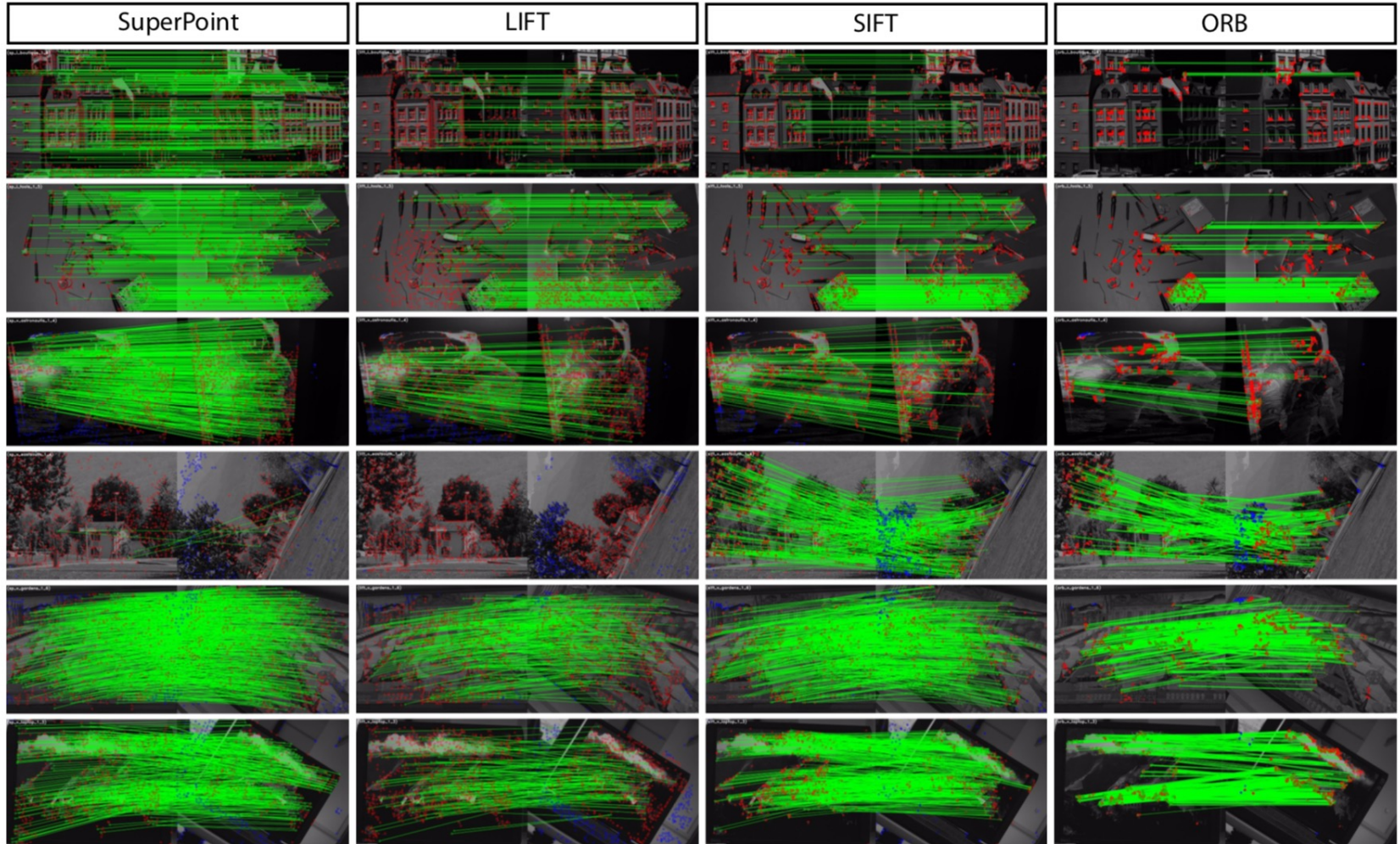


- Interest point = ill-defined -> self-supervised
- MagicPoint -> SuperPoint

# MagicPoint



# SuperPoint Results



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

CVPR 2019

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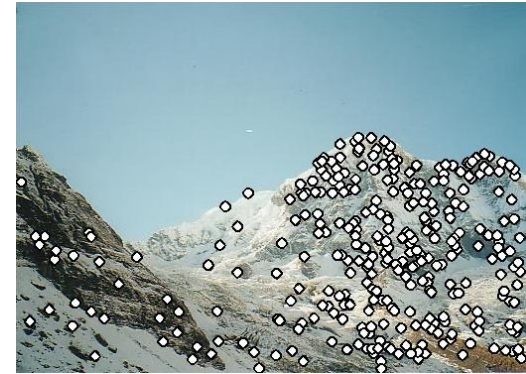
- Tensor viewed as descriptors and detector maps
- VGG16-based, loss encourages distinctiveness and repeatability
- Results beat the star of the art in day-night and indoor localization, but not in more traditional settings (Superpoint shines for Hatches, **GeoDesc** for SFM)



# Matching

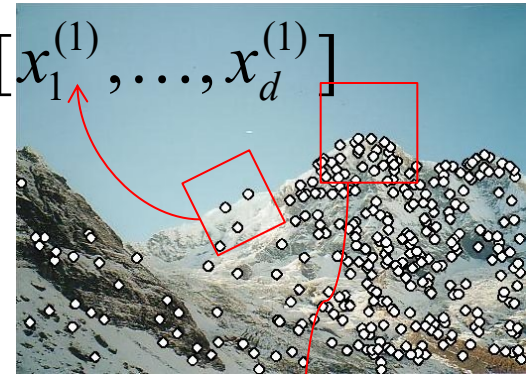
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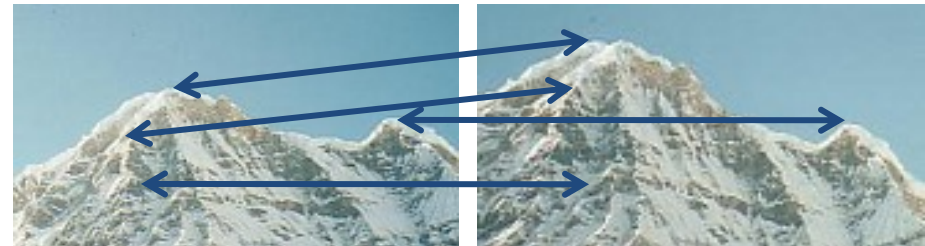
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$\mathbf{x}_1 = [x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_d^{(1)}]$



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

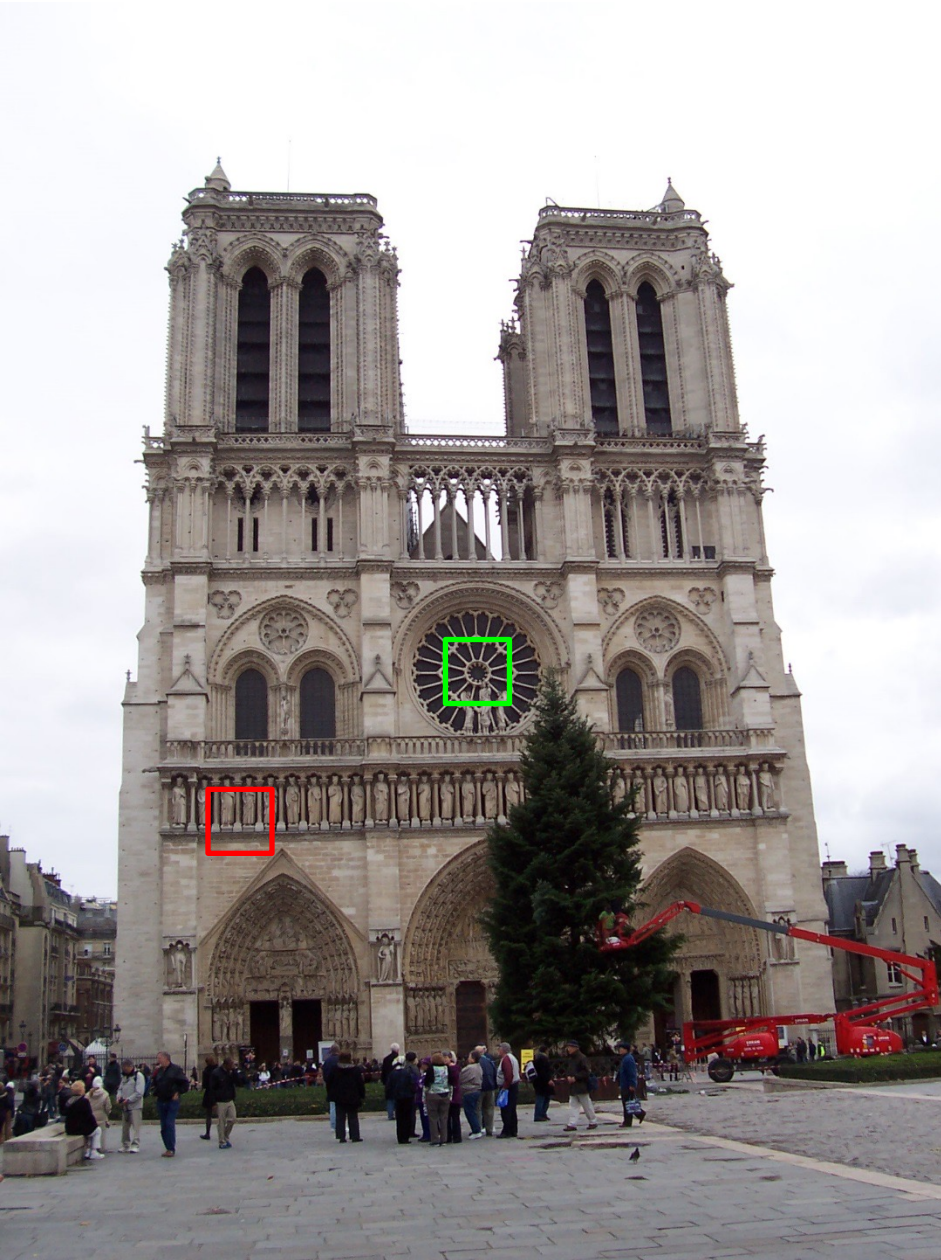
$\mathbf{x}_2 = [x_1^{(2)}, \dots, x_d^{(2)}]$



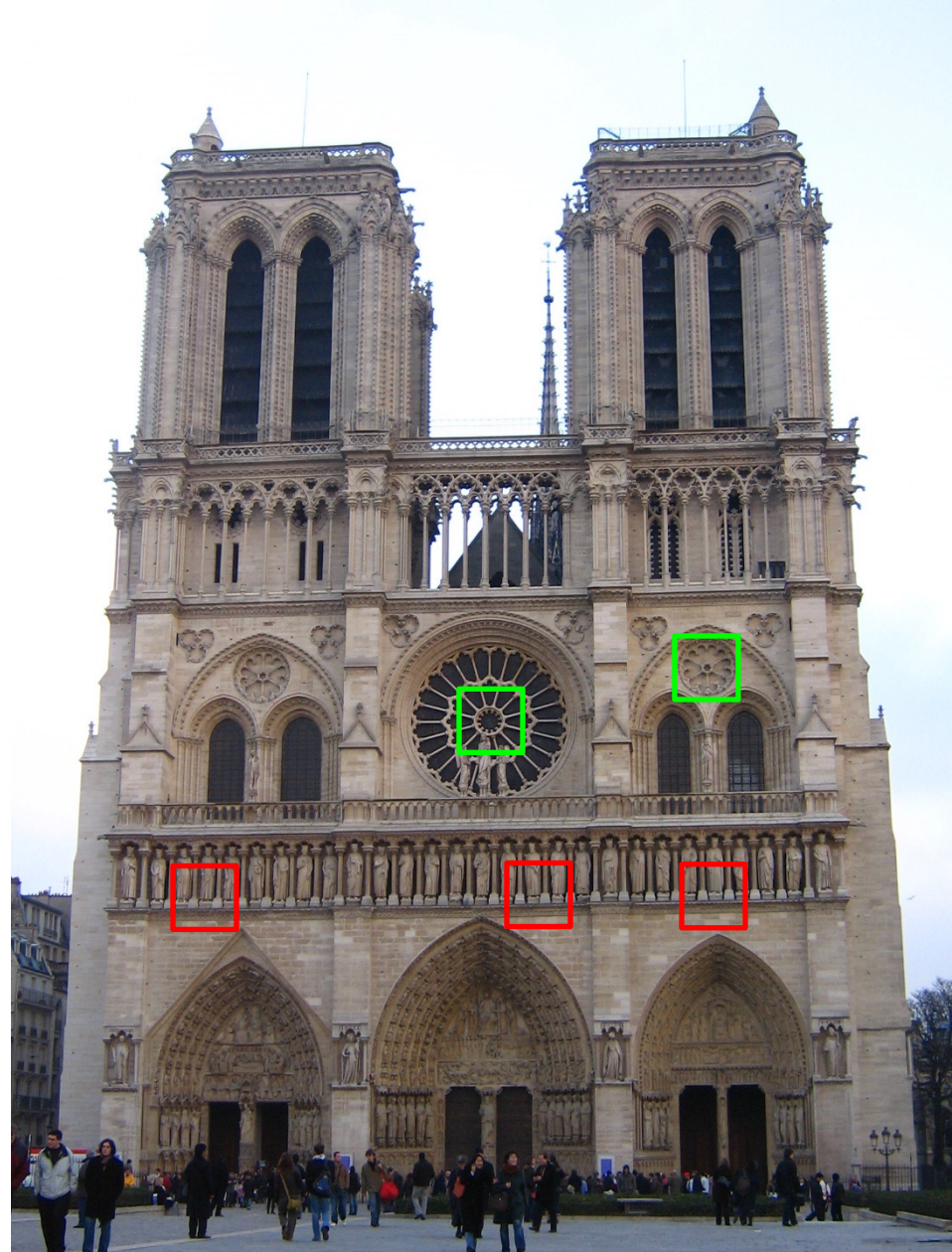
# Matching

- 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



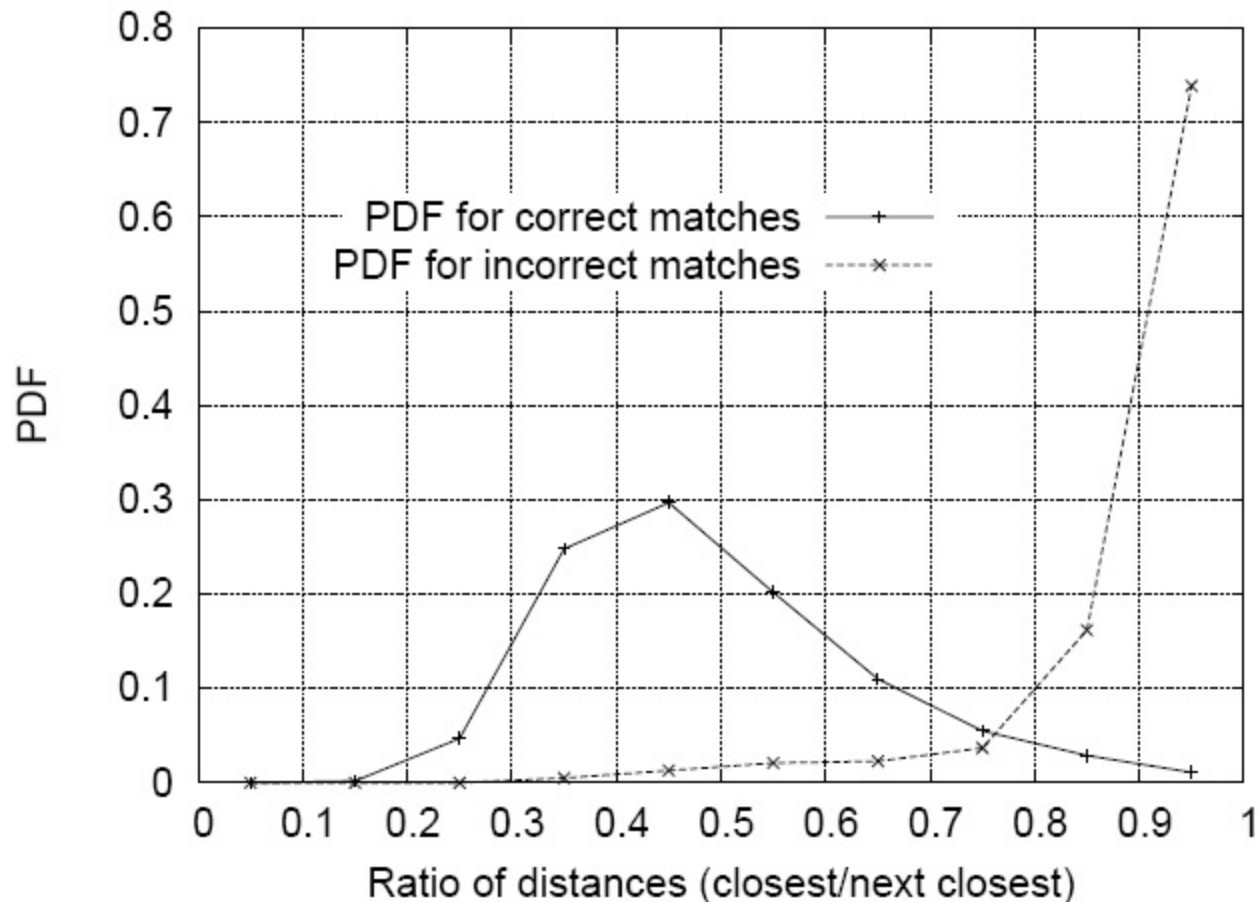
Distance: 0.61  
Distance: 1.22

# Nearest Neighbor Distance Ratio

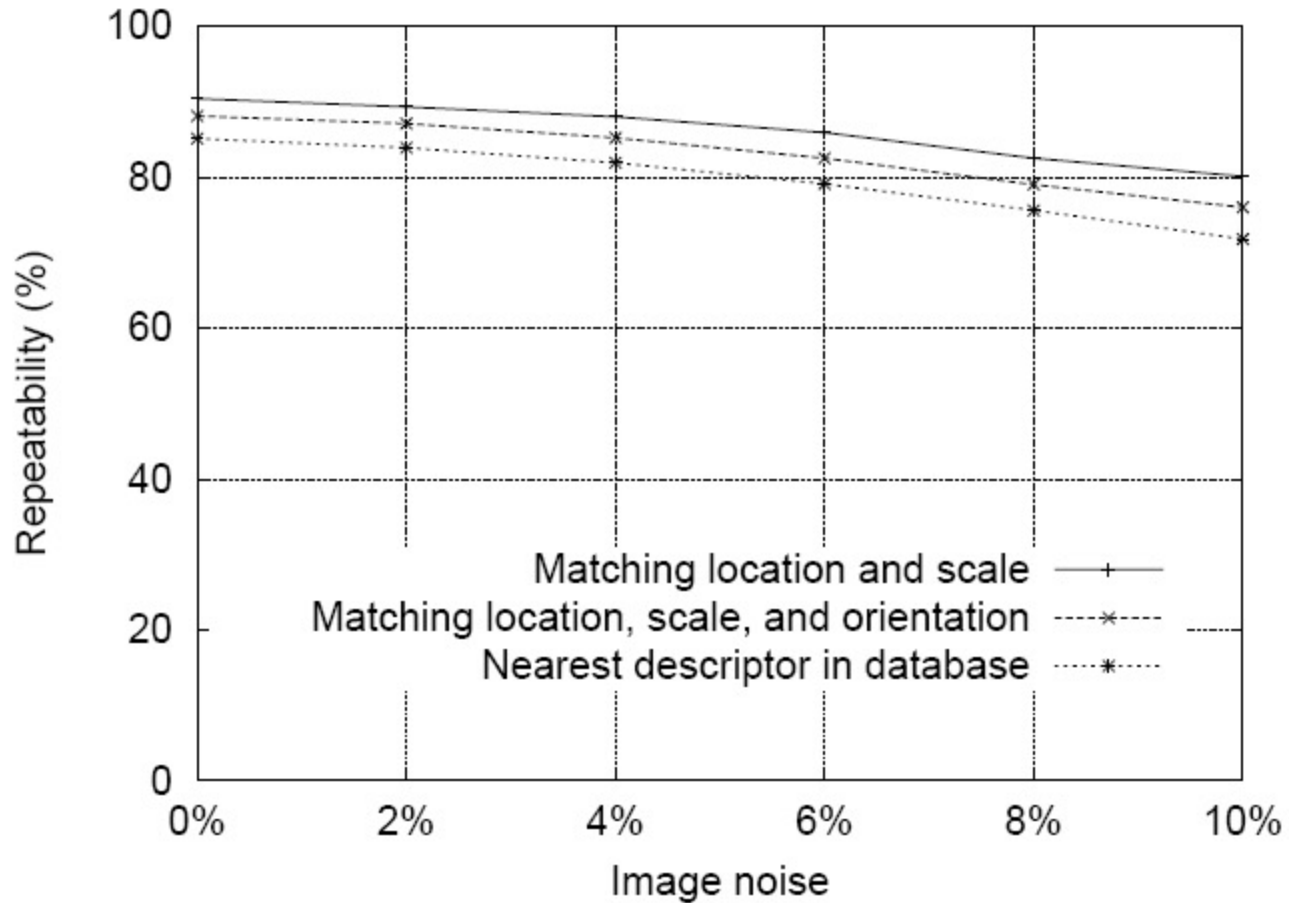
- $\frac{NN1}{NN2}$  where NN1 is the distance to the first nearest neighbor and NN2 is the distance to the second nearest neighbor.
- Sorting by this ratio puts matches in order of confidence.

# Matching Local Features

- Nearest neighbor (Euclidean distance)
- Threshold ratio of nearest to 2<sup>nd</sup> nearest descriptor



# SIFT Repeatability



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