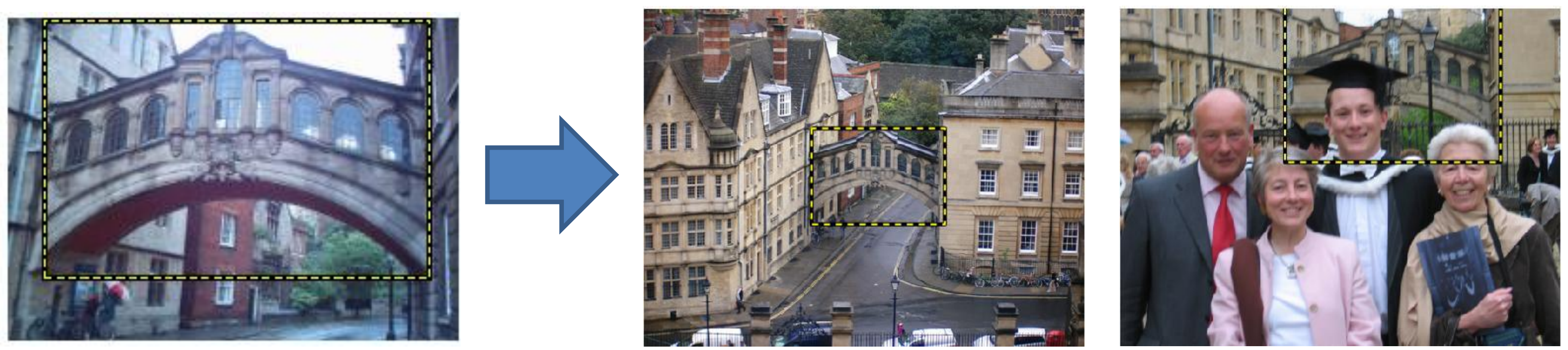

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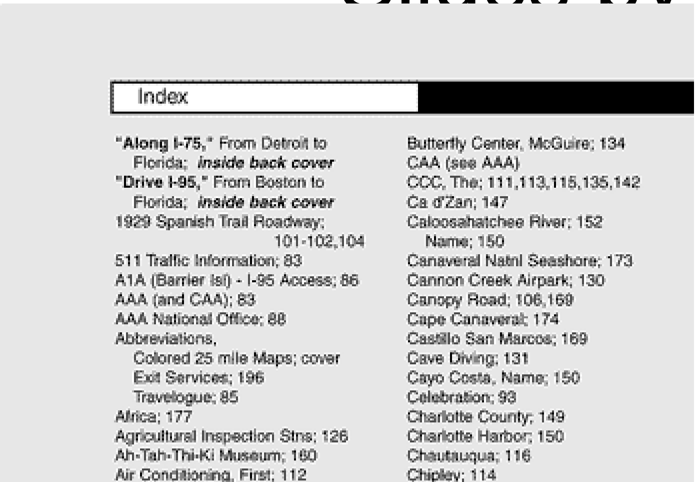

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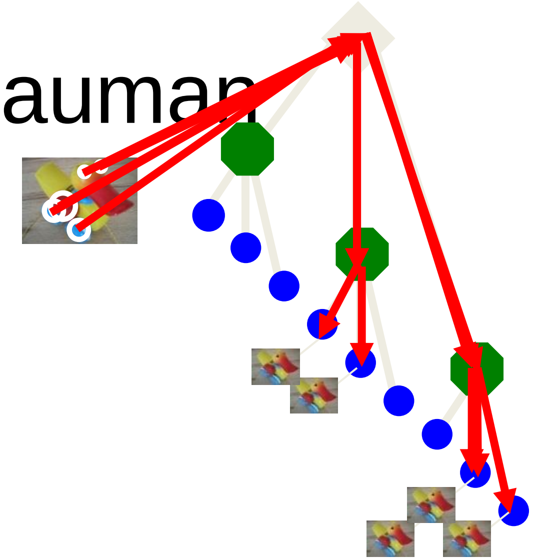

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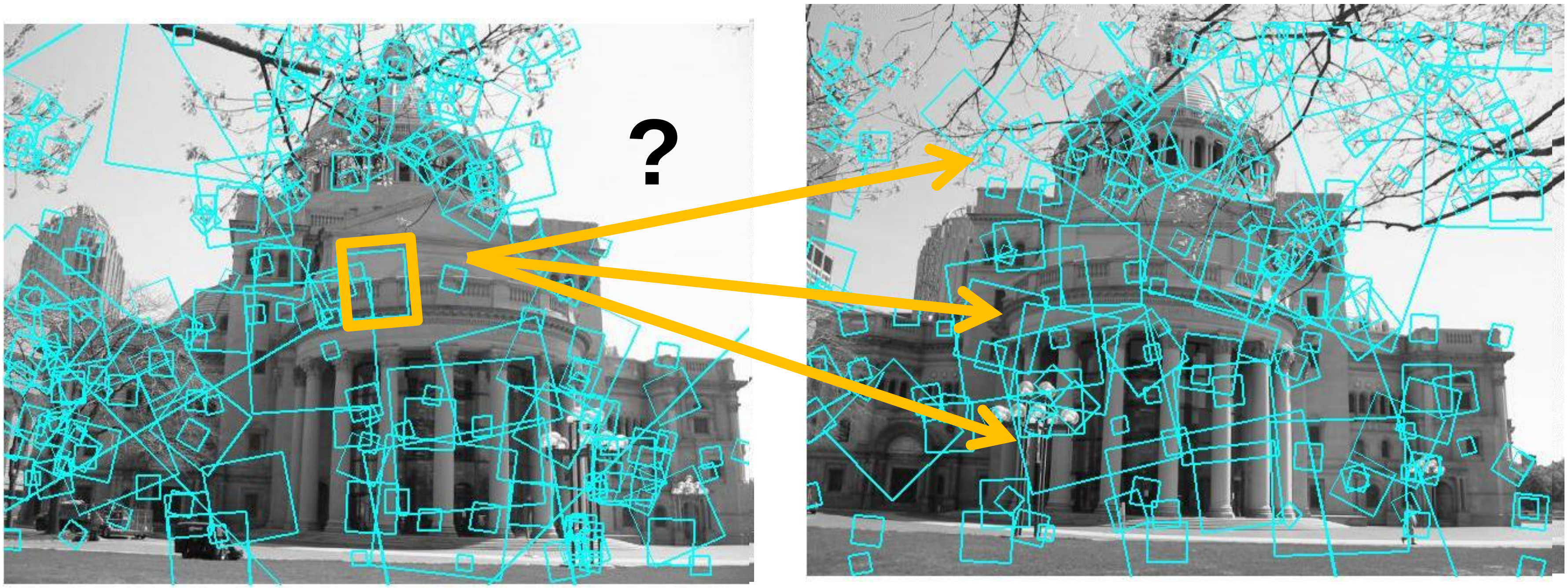

Image 1 Image 2

To generate **candidate matches**, find patches that have the most similar appearance (e.g., lowest SSD)

Simplest approach: compare them all, take the closest (or closest k, or within a thresholded distance)

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Matching local features

Image 1

Image 2

In stereo case, may constrain by proximity if we make assumptions on max disparities.

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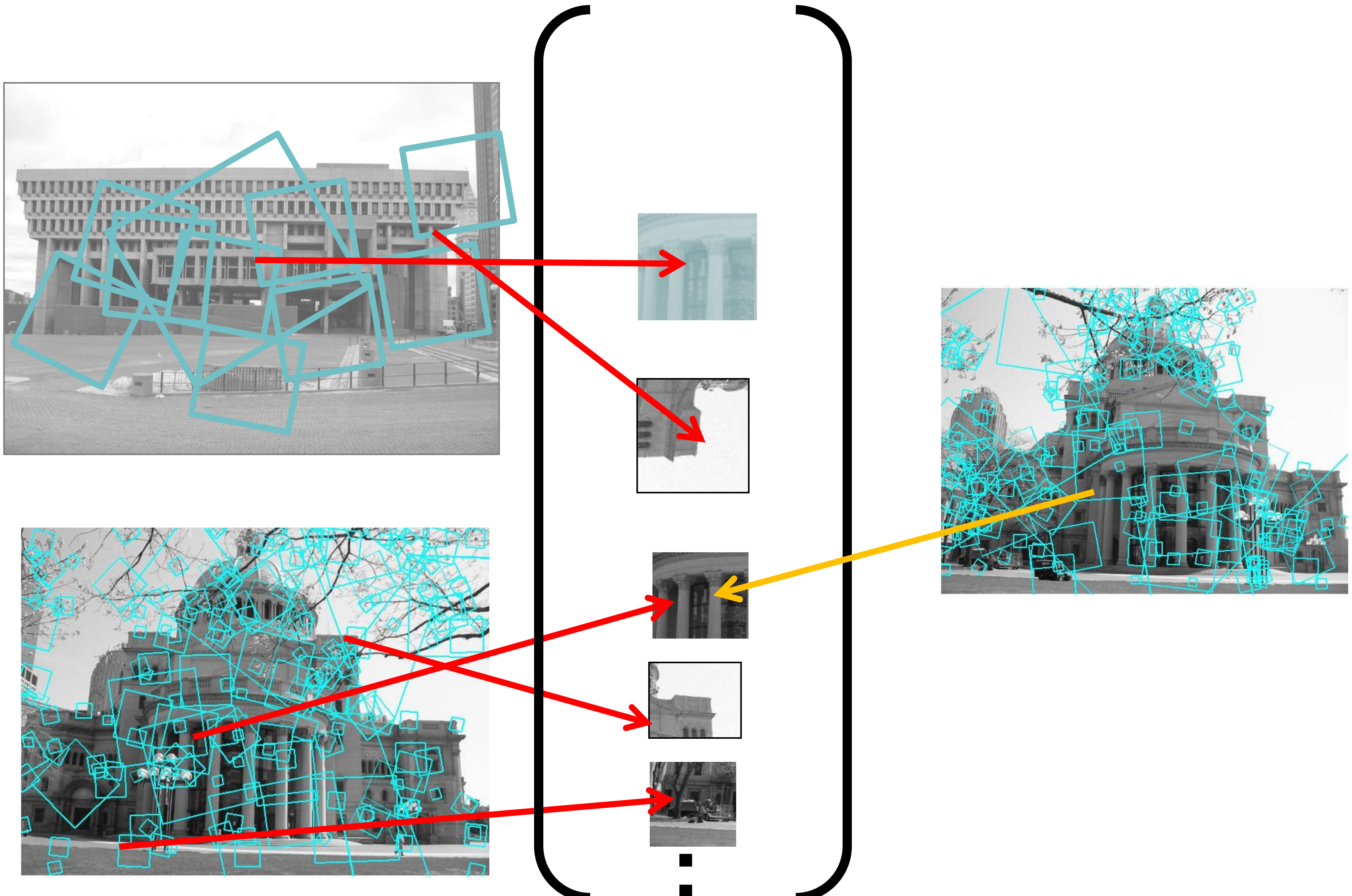

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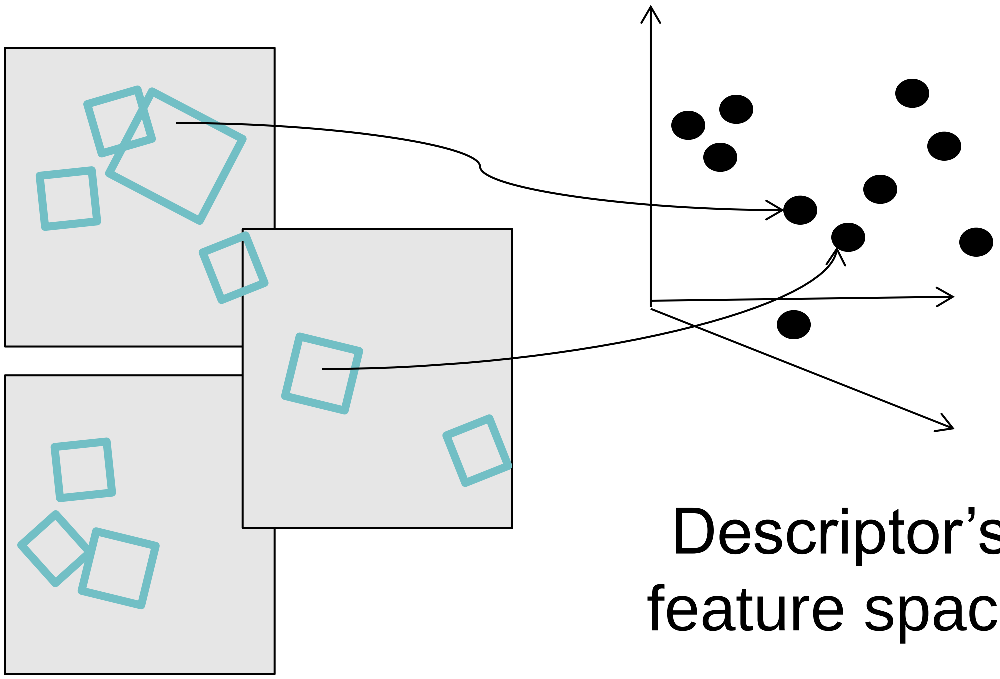
- Each patch / region has a descriptor, which is a point in some high-dimensional feature space (e.g., SIFT)



Descriptor's feature space

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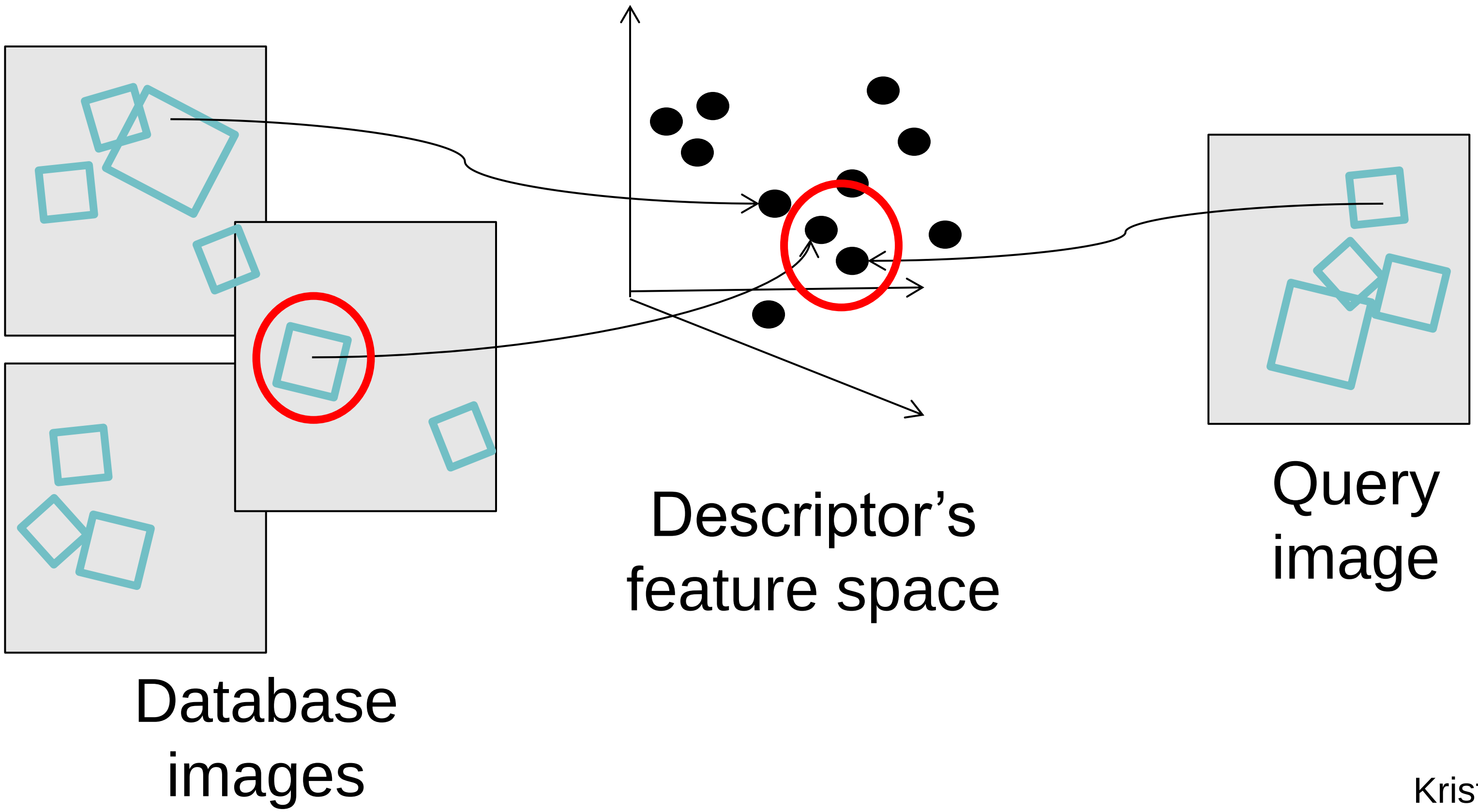
- When we see close points in feature space, we have similar descriptors, which indicates similar local content.



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Indexing local features

- With potentially thousands of features per image, and hundreds to millions of images to search, how to efficiently find those that are relevant to a new image?

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Indexing local features: inverted file index

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- For text documents, an efficient way to find all *pages* on which a *word* occurs is to use an index…
- We want to find all *images* in which a *feature* occurs.
- To use this idea, we'll need to map our features to "visual words".

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Text retrieval vs. image search

- What makes the problems similar, different?

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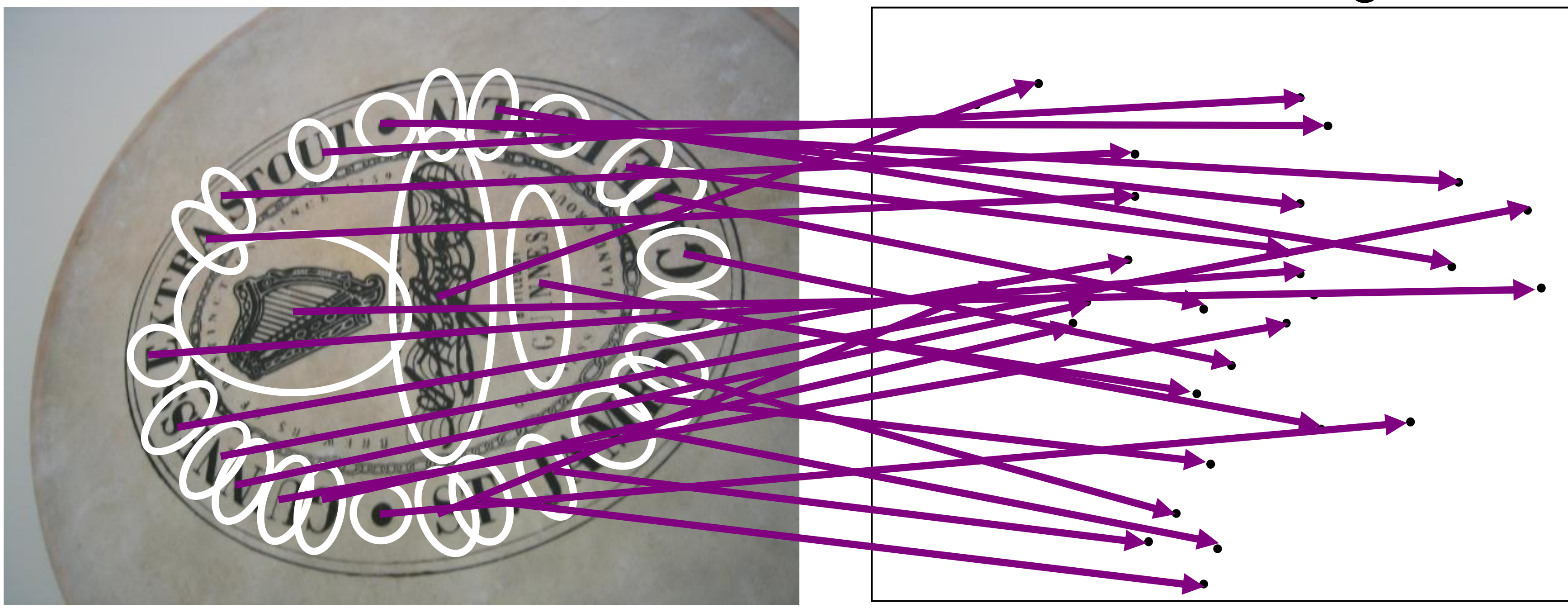
Visual words: main idea

- Extract some local features from a number of images …



e.g., SIFT descriptor space: each point is 128-dimensional

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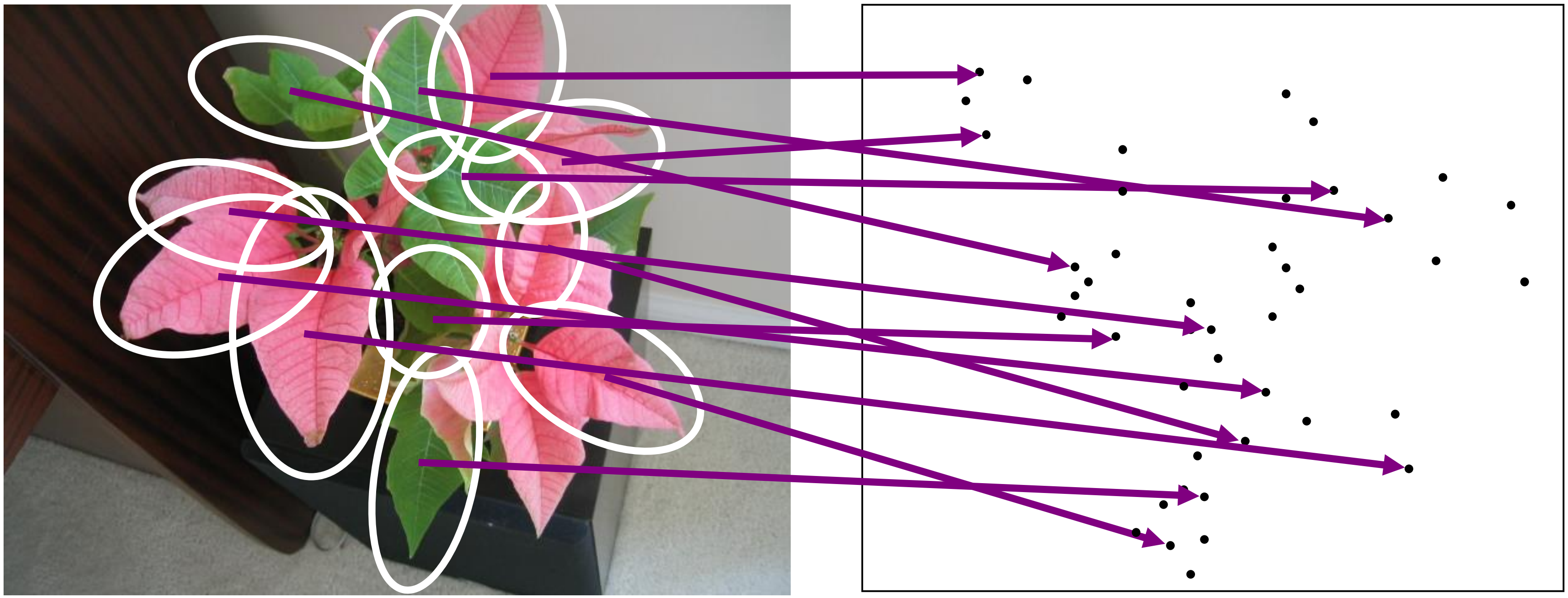
Visual words: main idea



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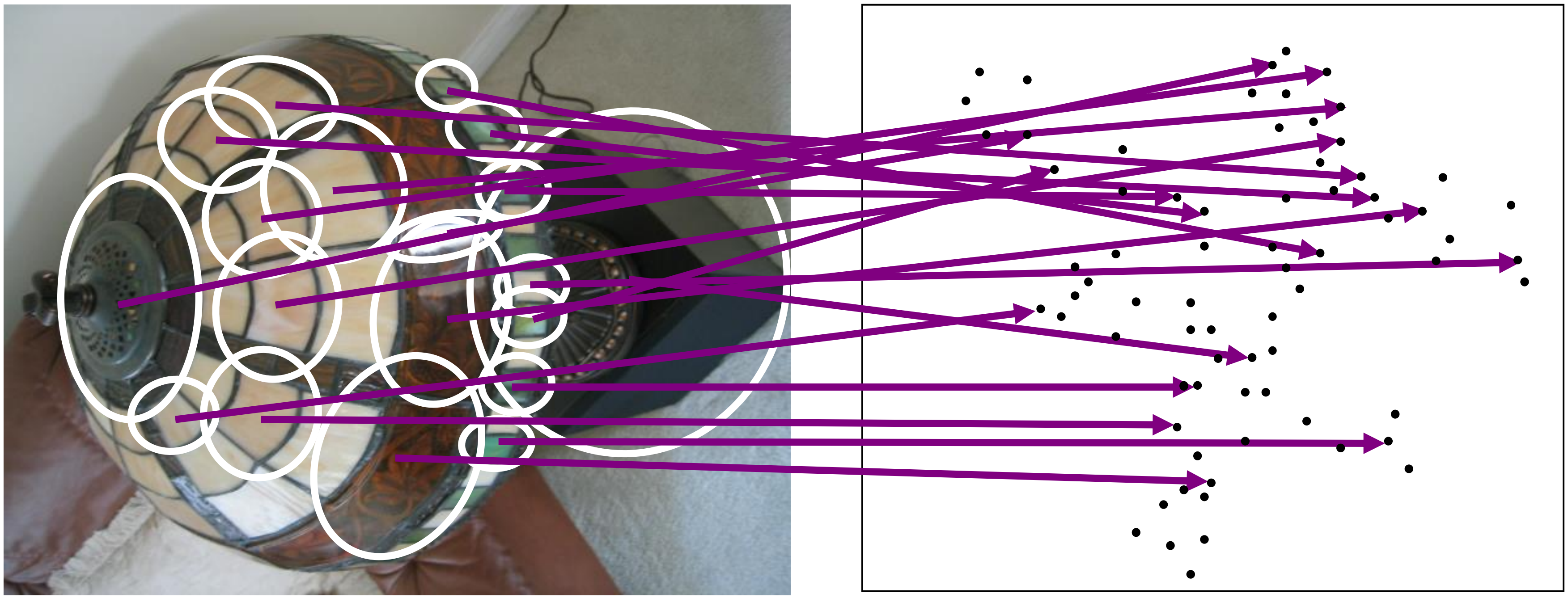

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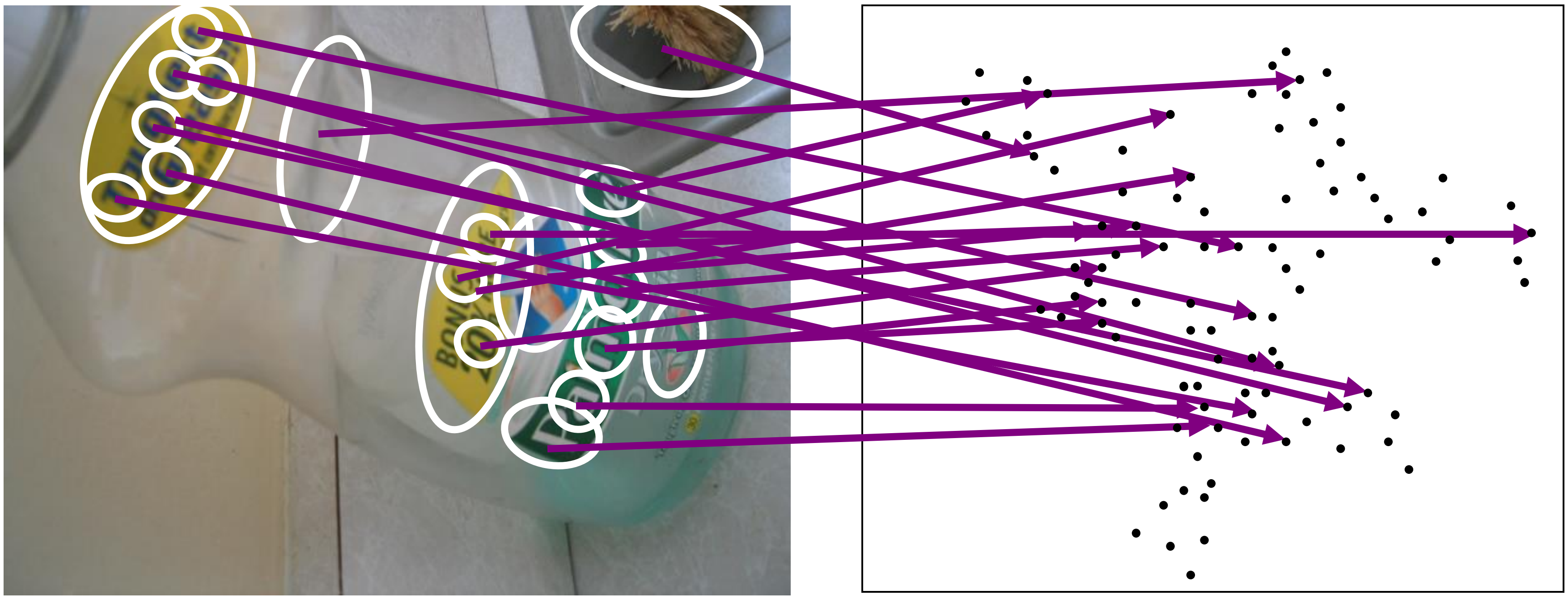
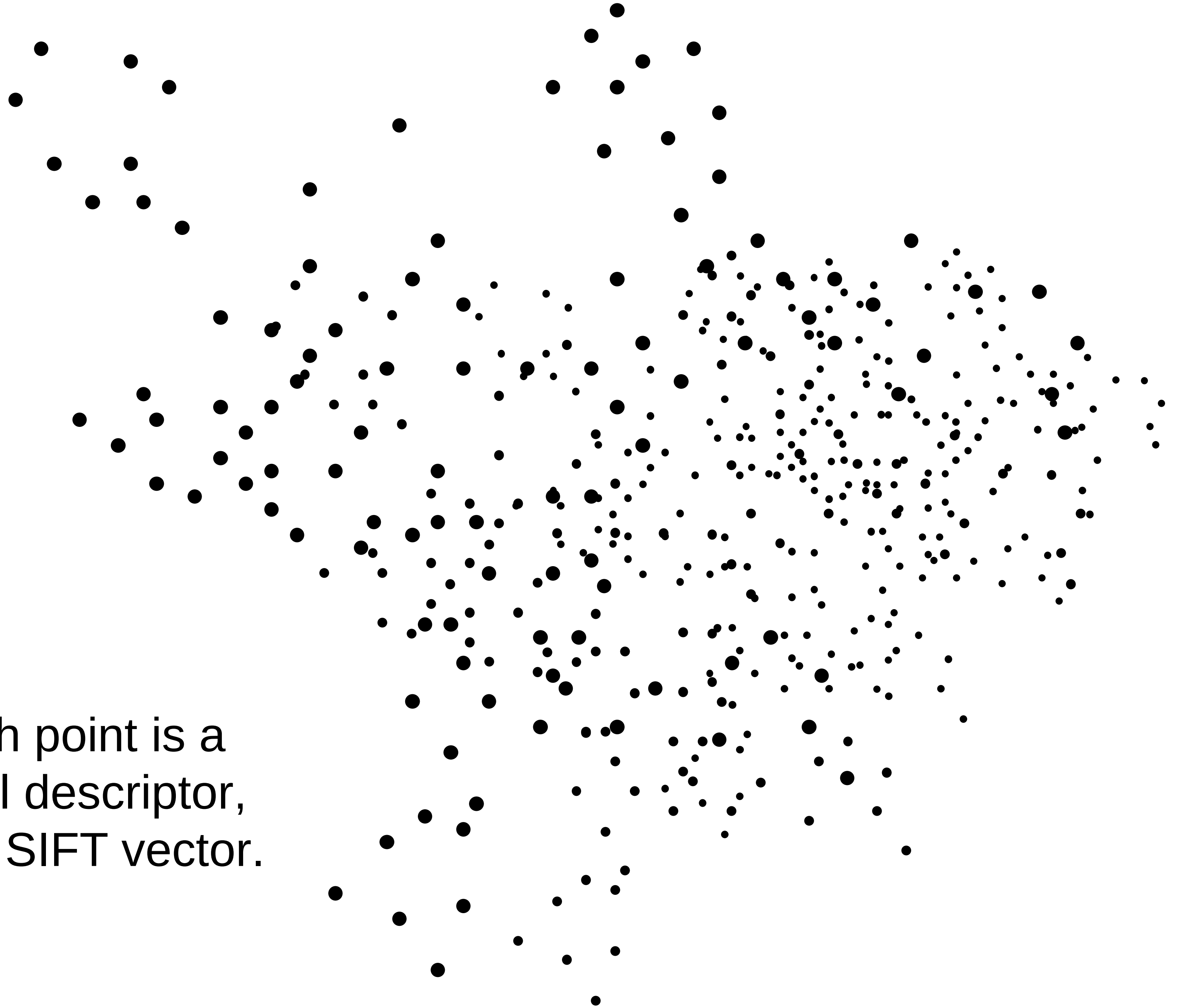
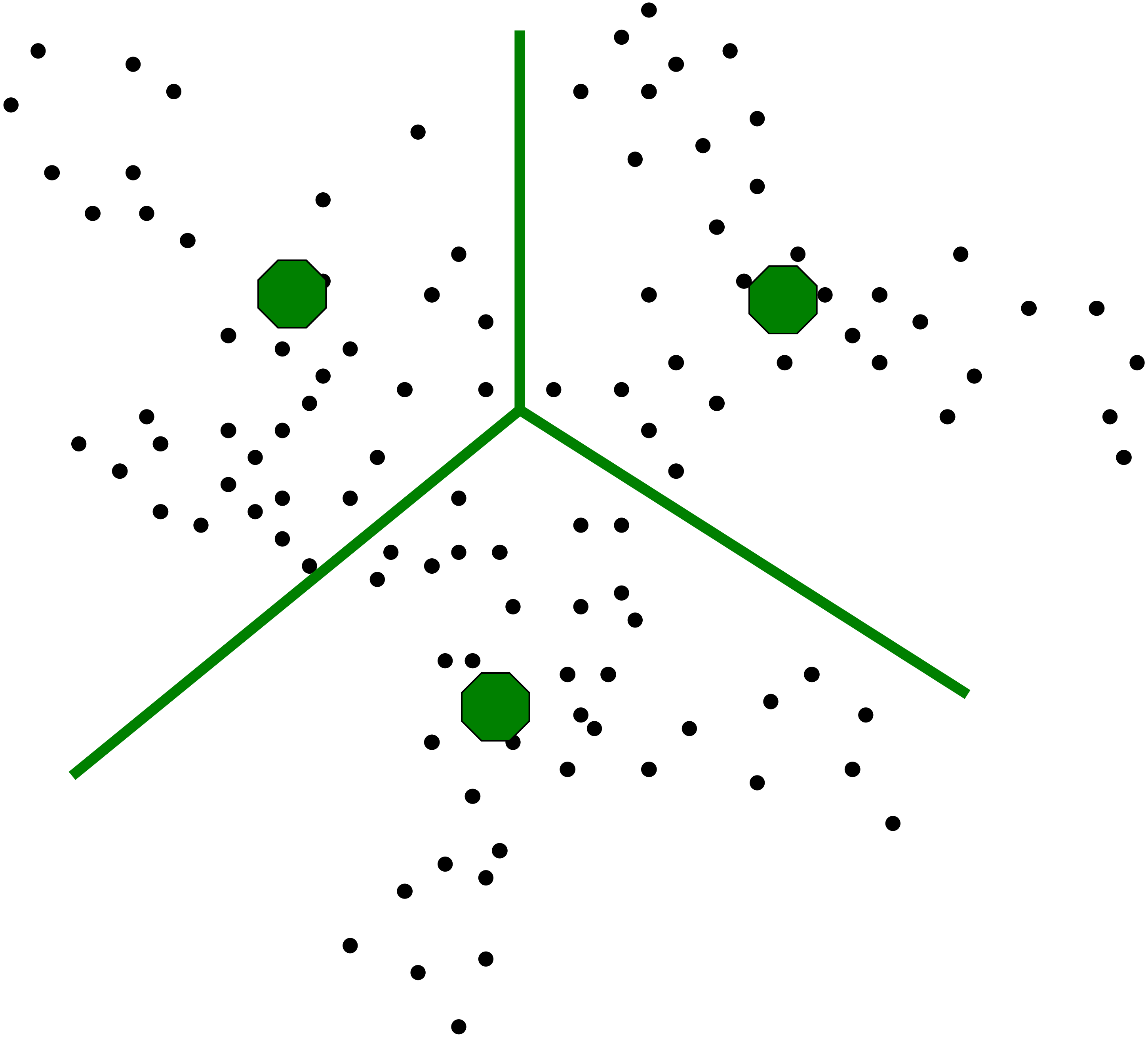


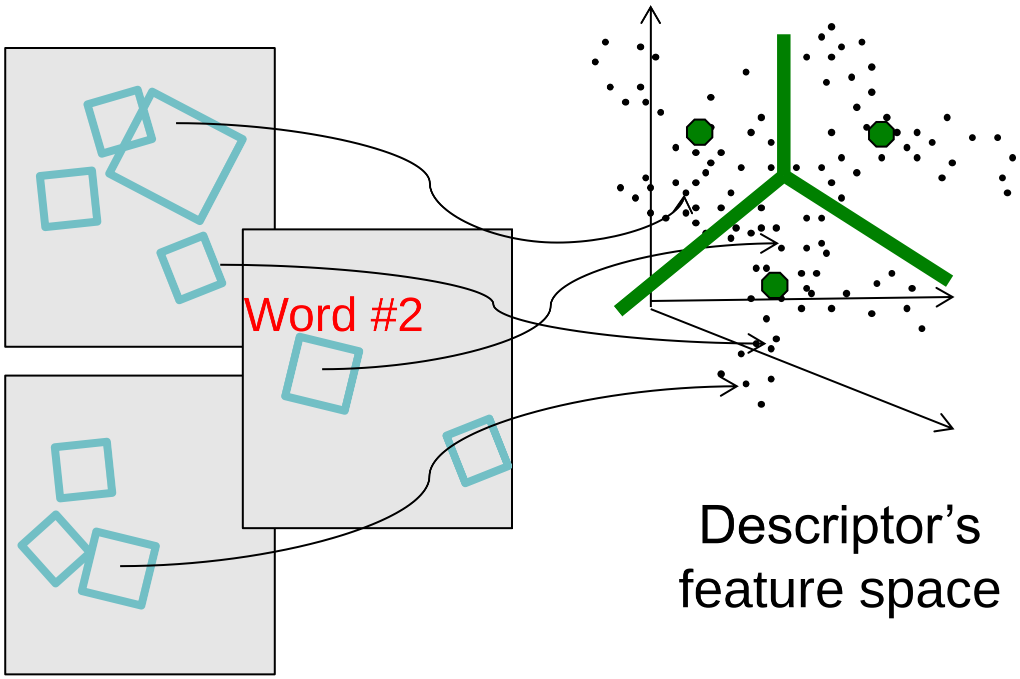


Each point is a
local descriptor,
e.g. SIFT vector.



Visual words

- Map high-dimensional descriptors to tokens/words by quantizing the feature space



- Quantize via clustering, let cluster centers be the prototype "words"
- Determine which word to assign to each new image region by finding the closest cluster center.

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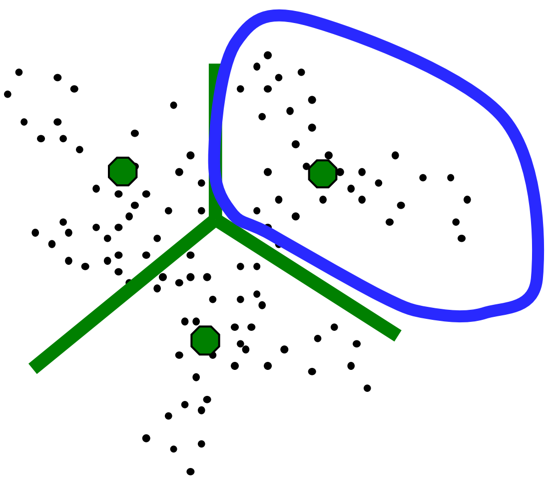
Visual words

- Example: each group of patches belongs to the same visual word



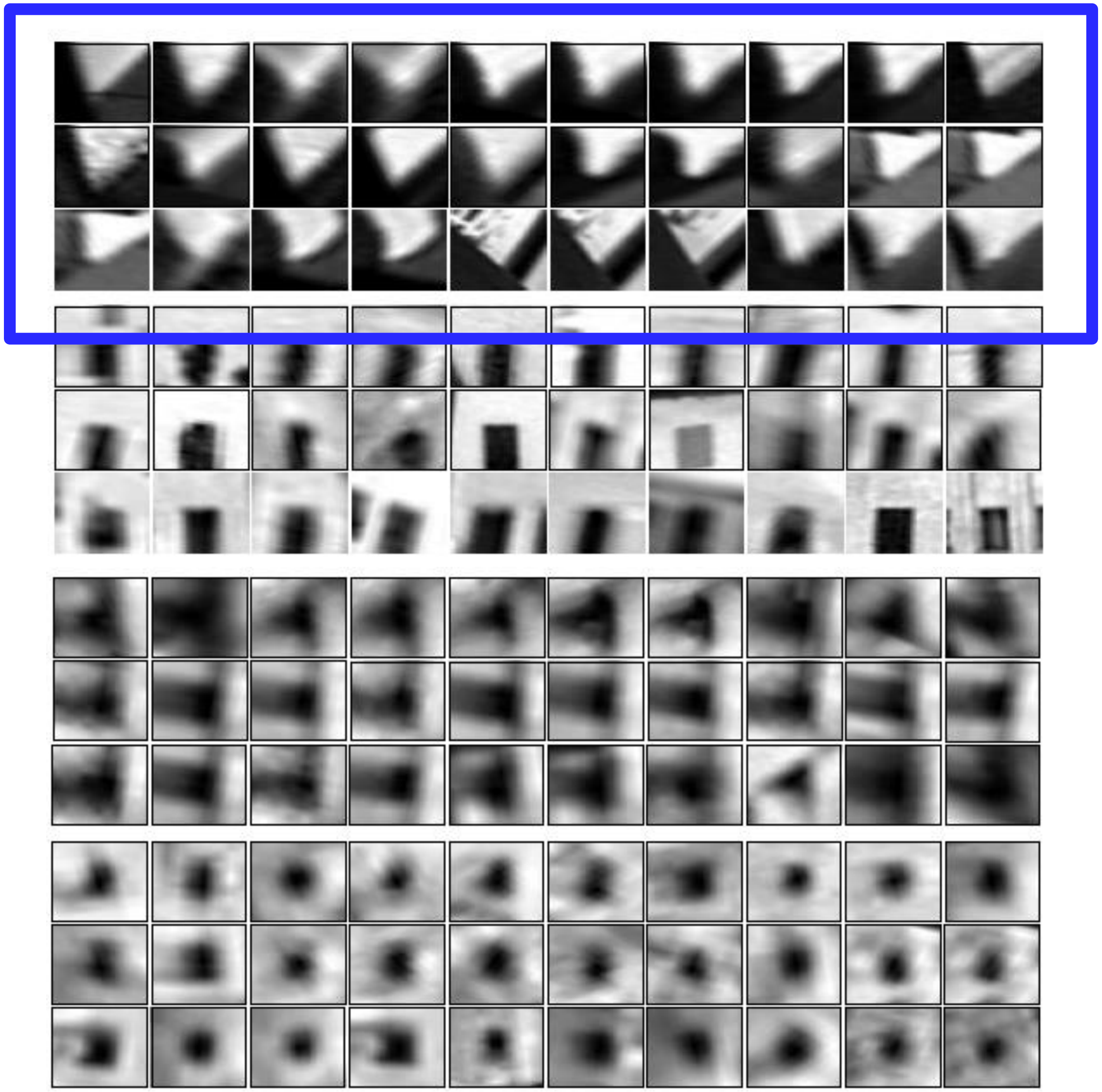


Figure from Sivic & Zisserman, ICCV 2003

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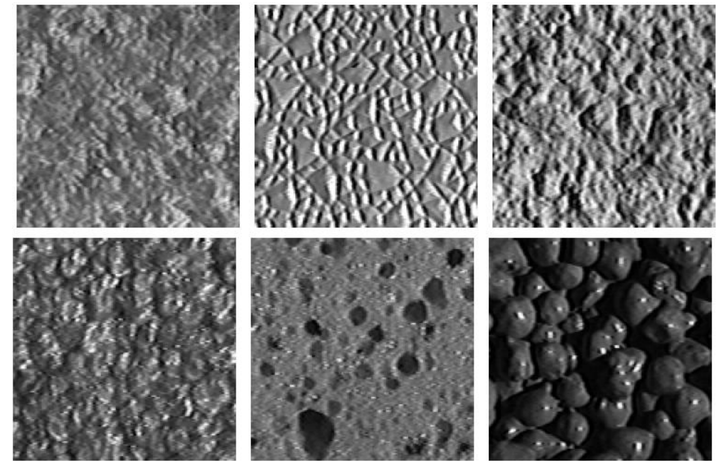
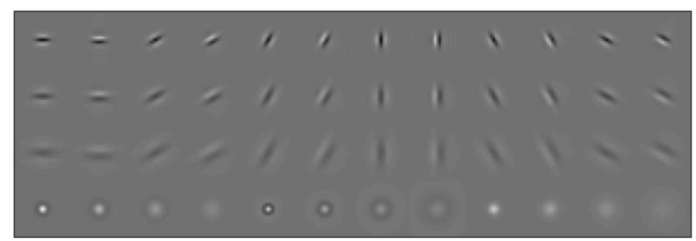
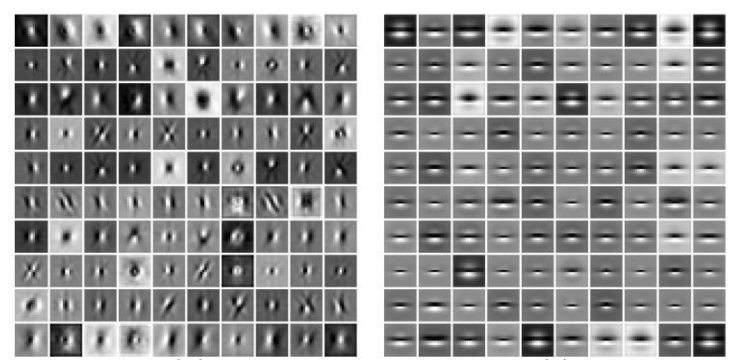
Visual words and textons

- First explored for texture and material representations
- *Texton* = cluster center of filter responses over collection of images
- Describe textures and materials based on distribution of prototypical texture elements.







Leung & Malik 1999; Varma & Zisserman, 2002

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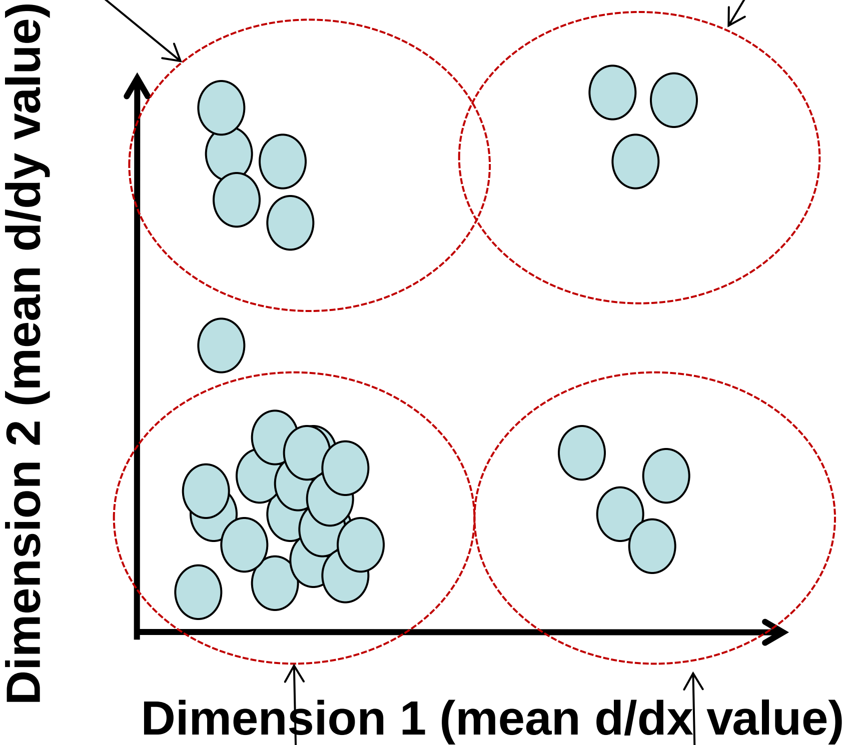
Recall: Texture representation example

Windows with primarily horizontal edges

Both



Windows with small gradient in both directions

Windows with primarily vertical edges

	mean d/dx value	**mean d/dy value**
Win. #1	4	10
Win.#2	18	7
⋮		
Win.#9	20	20

⋮

statistics to summarize patterns in small windows

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Visual vocabulary formation

Issues:

- Sampling strategy: where to extract features?
- Clustering / quantization algorithm
- Unsupervised vs. supervised
- What corpus provides features (universal vocabulary?)
- Vocabulary size, number of words

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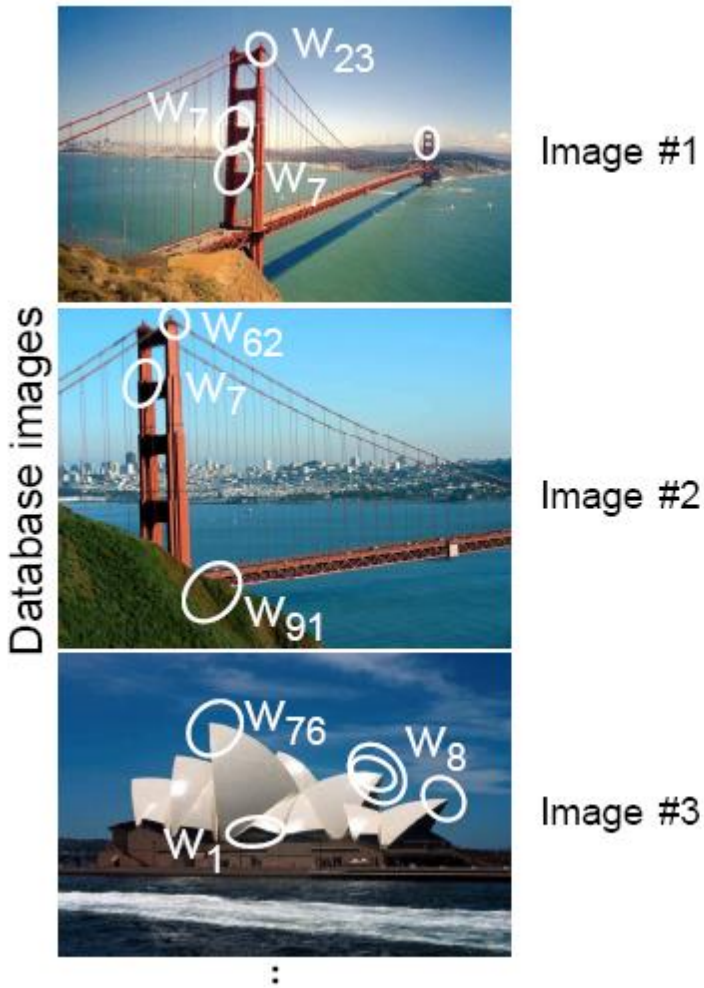
Inverted file index



Word #	Image #
1	3
2 …	
7	1, 2
8	3
9	
10 …	
91	2

…

- Database images are loaded into the index mapping words to image numbers

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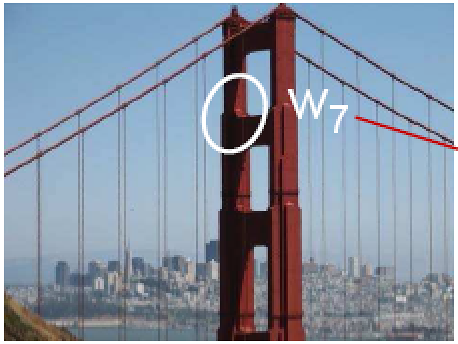
Inverted file index

When will this give us a significant gain in efficiency?



New query image

Word #	Image #
1	3
2 …	
7	1, 2
8	3
9	
10 …	
91	2

…

- New query image is mapped to indices of database images that share a word.

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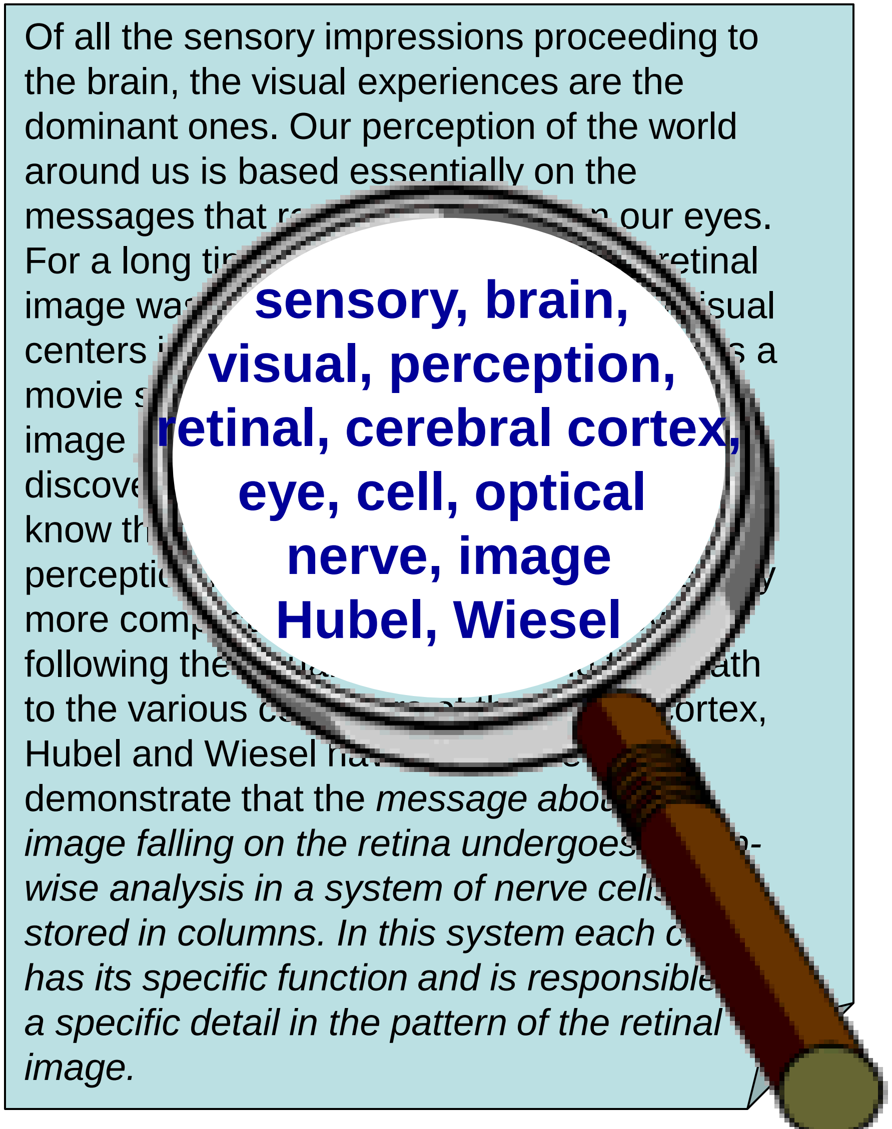
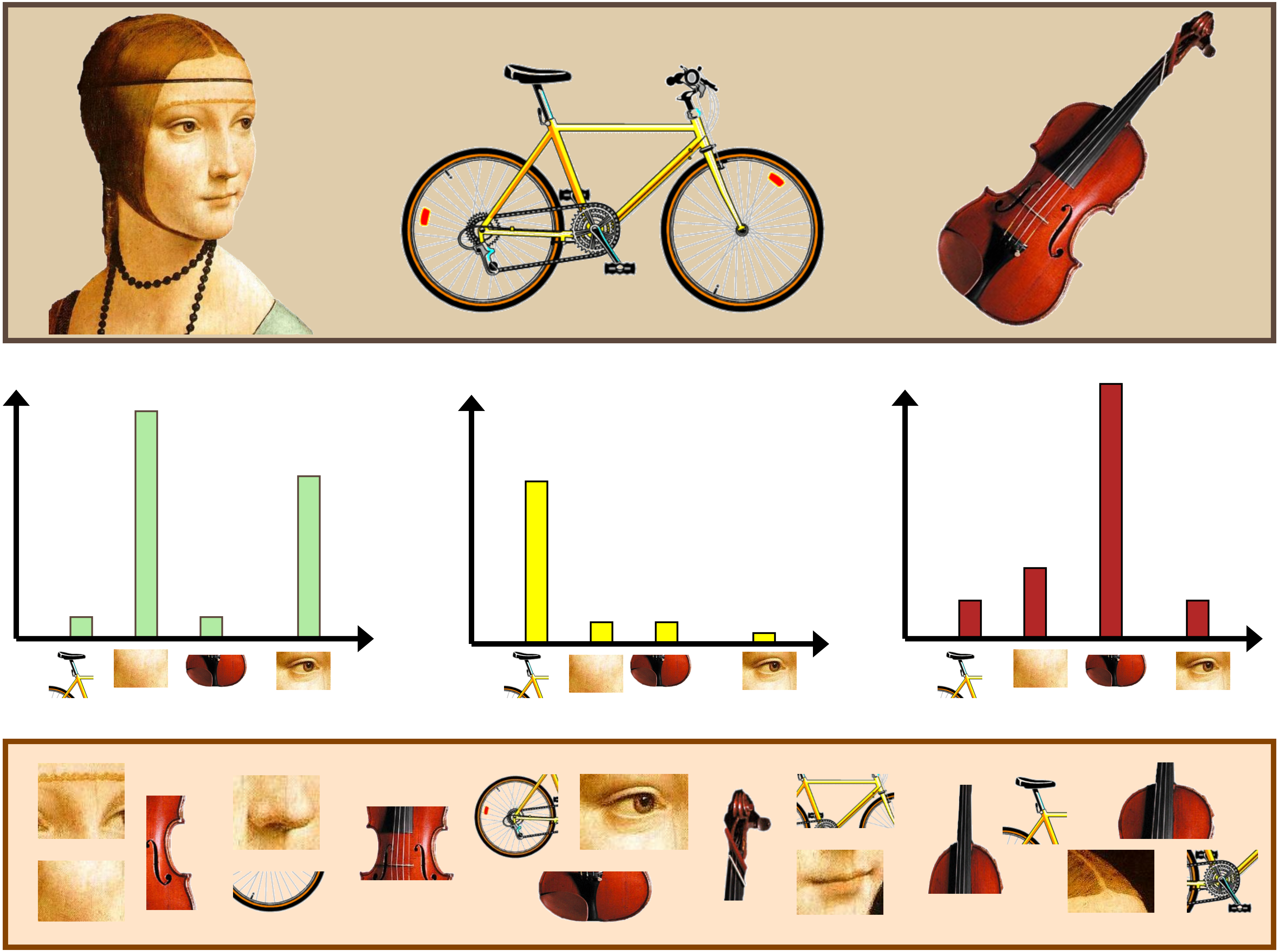
- If a local image region is a visual word, how can we summarize an image (the document)?

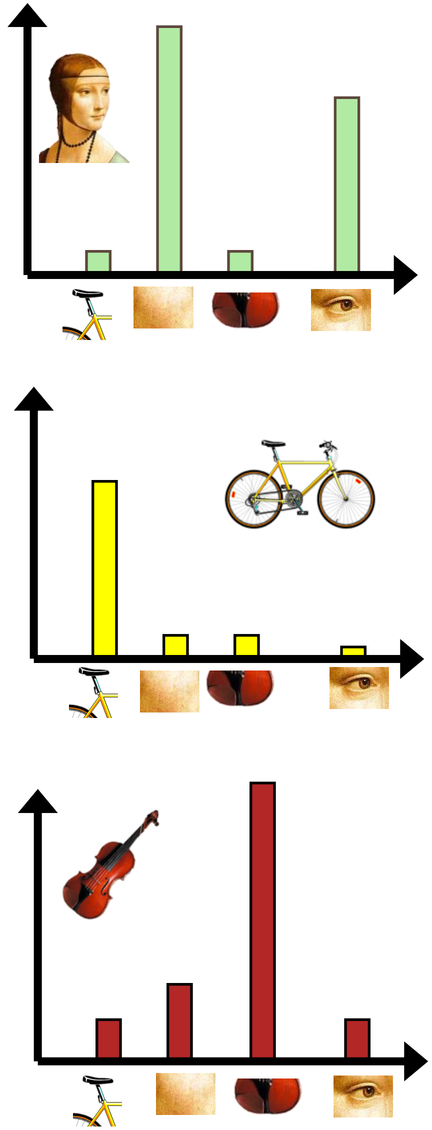
Analogy to documents





Bags of visual words

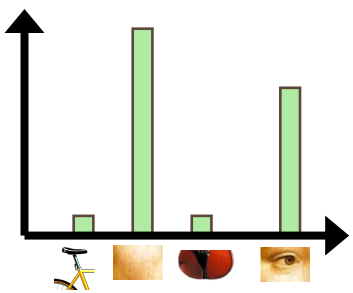
- Summarize entire image based on its distribution (histogram) of word occurrences.
- Analogous to bag of words representation commonly used for documents.



Comparing bags of words

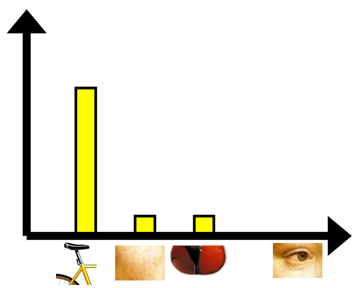
- Rank frames by normalized scalar product between their (possibly weighted) occurrence counts---*nearest neighbor* search for similar images.

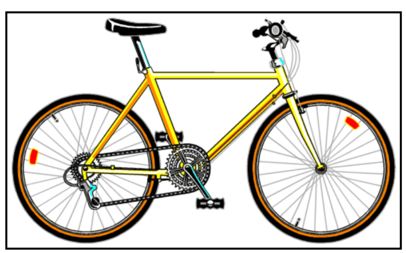
[1 8 1 4]



$\vec{d}_j$

[5 1 1 0]





$\vec{q}$

$$sim(d_j, q) = \frac{\langle d_j, q \rangle}{\|d_j\| \|q\|}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{V} d_j(i) * q(i)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{V} d_j(i)^2} * \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{V} q(i)^2}}$$

for vocabulary of *V* words

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tf-idf weighting

- **T**erm **f**requency – **i**nverse **d**ocument **f**requency
- Describe frame by frequency of each word within it, downweight words that appear often in the database
- (Standard weighting for text retrieval)

Number of occurrences of word i in document d

Number of words in document d

$$t_i = \frac{n_{id}}{n_d} \log \frac{N}{n_i}$$

Total number of documents in database

Number of documents word i occurs in, in whole database

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Bags of words for content-based image retrieval

Visually defined query

"Groundhog Day" [Rammis, 1993]

"Find this clock"

"Find this place"

Slide from Andrew Zisserman
Sivic & Zisserman, ICCV 2003

Example

retrieved shots

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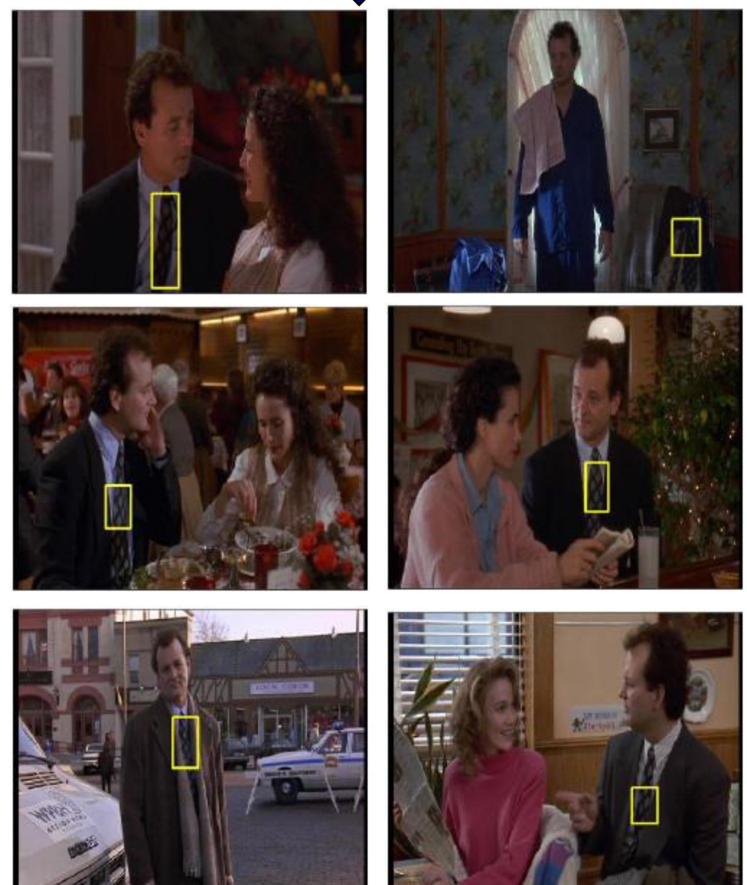
Video Google System

1. Collect all words within query region
2. Inverted file index to find relevant frames
3. Compare word counts
4. Spatial verification

Query region



Retrieved frames

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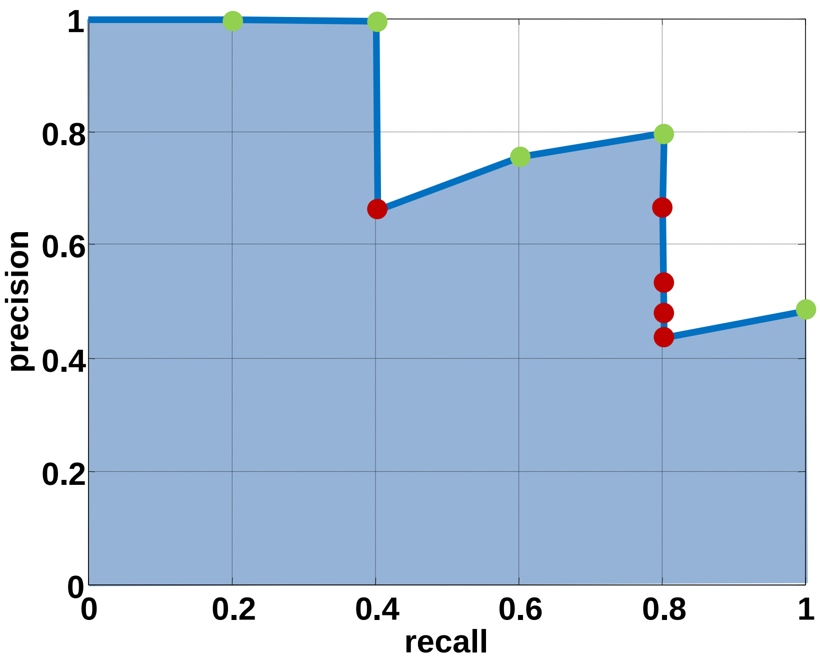
- **Demo online at :** http://www.robots.ox.ac.uk/~vgg/research/vgoogle/index.html

Scoring retrieval quality

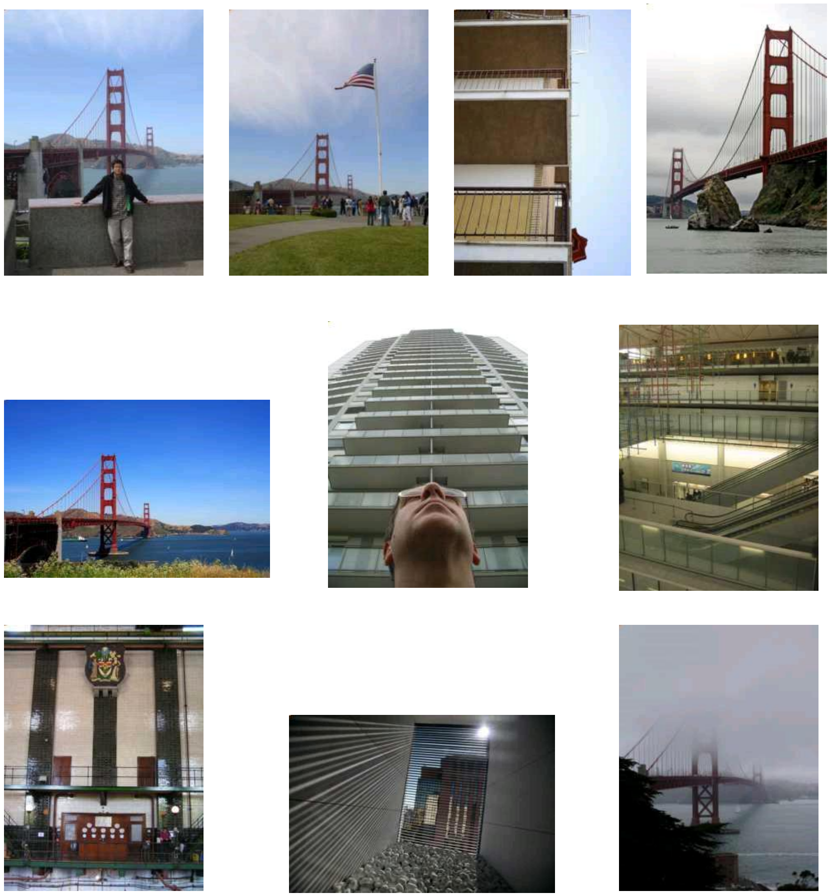
Query

Database size: 10 images
Relevant (total): 5 images

precision = #relevant / #returned
recall = #relevant / #total relevant



Results (ordered):



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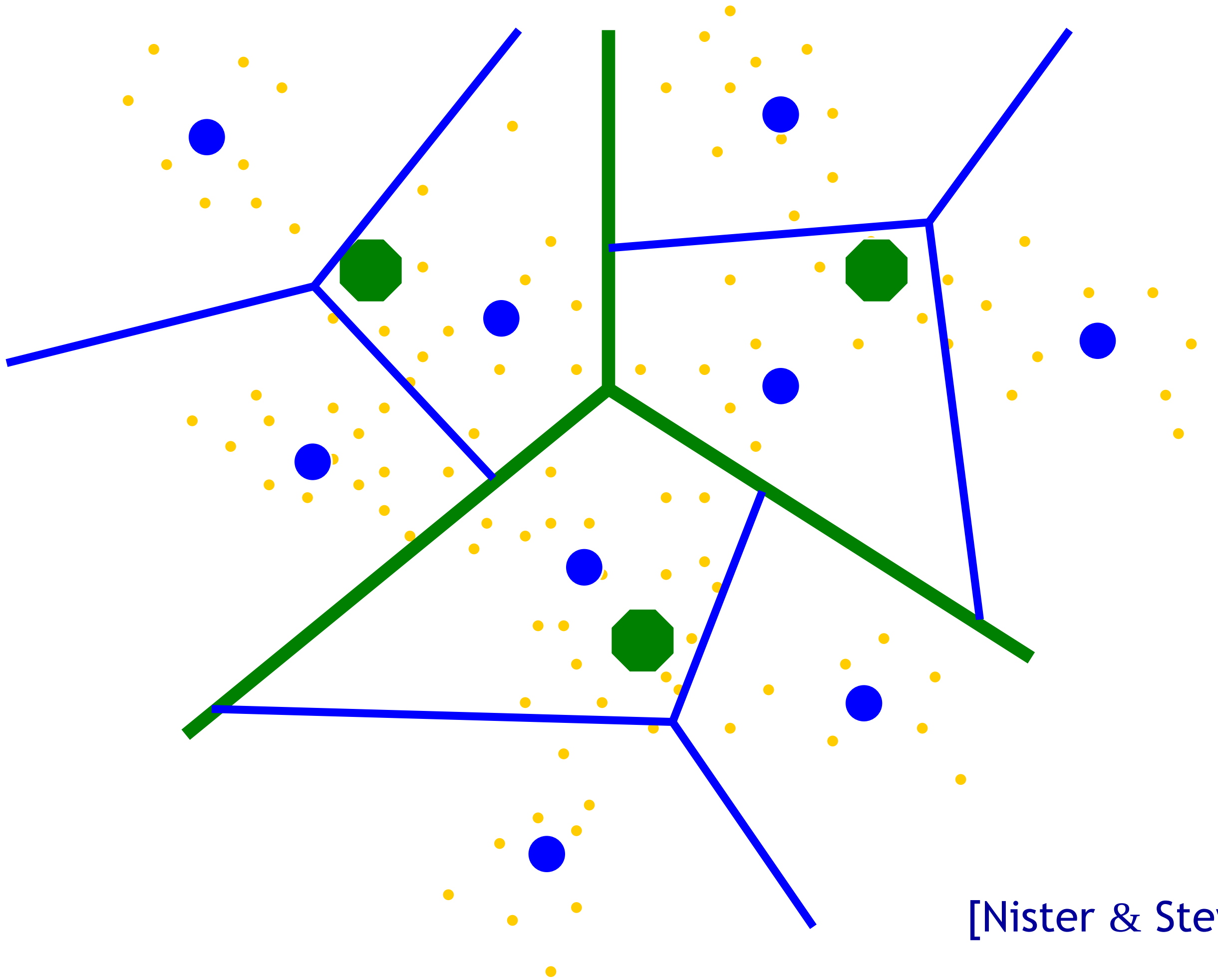
Vocabulary Trees: hierarchical clustering for large vocabularies

- **Tree construction:**



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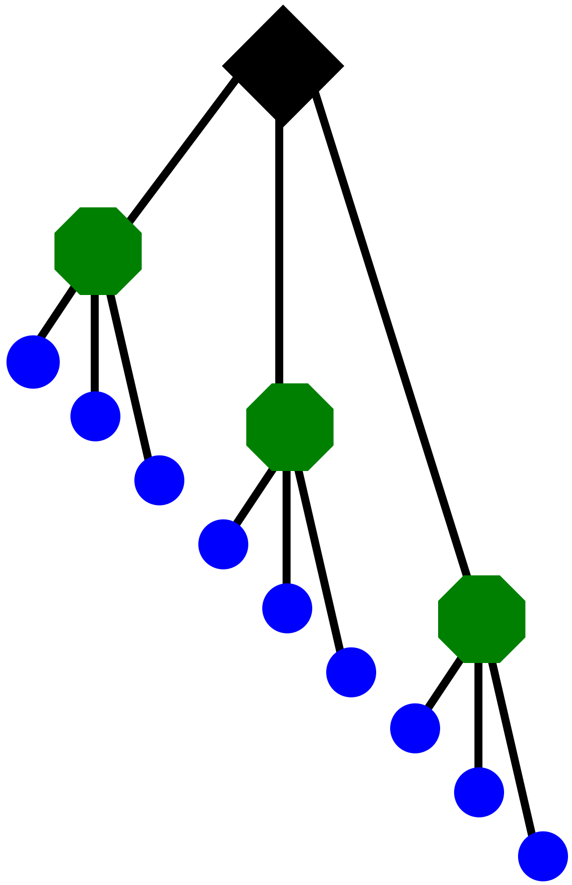

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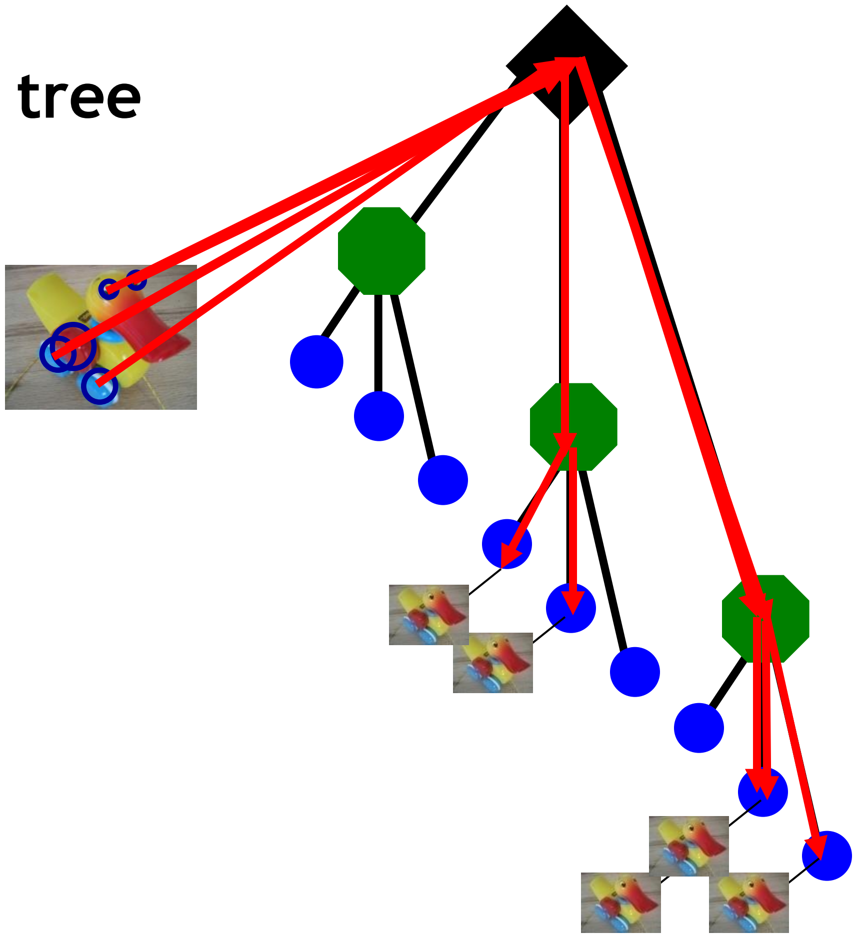

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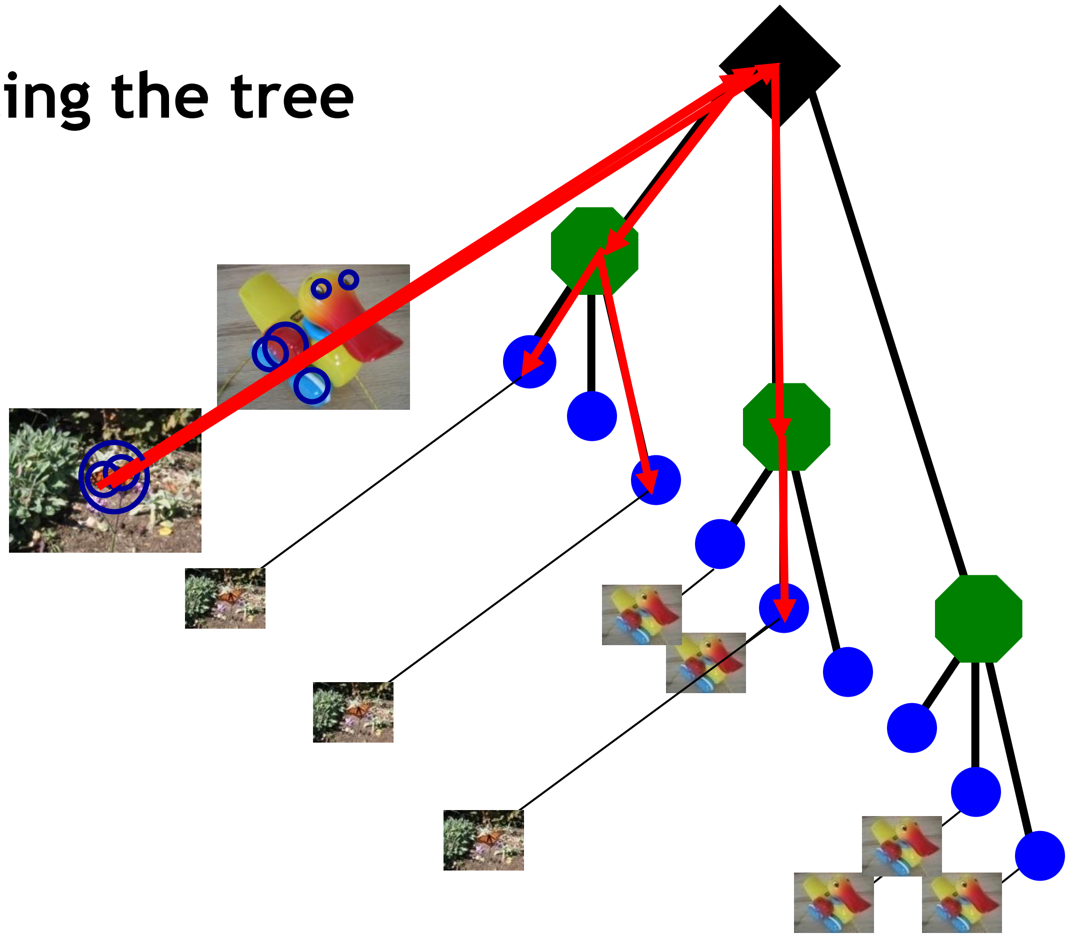

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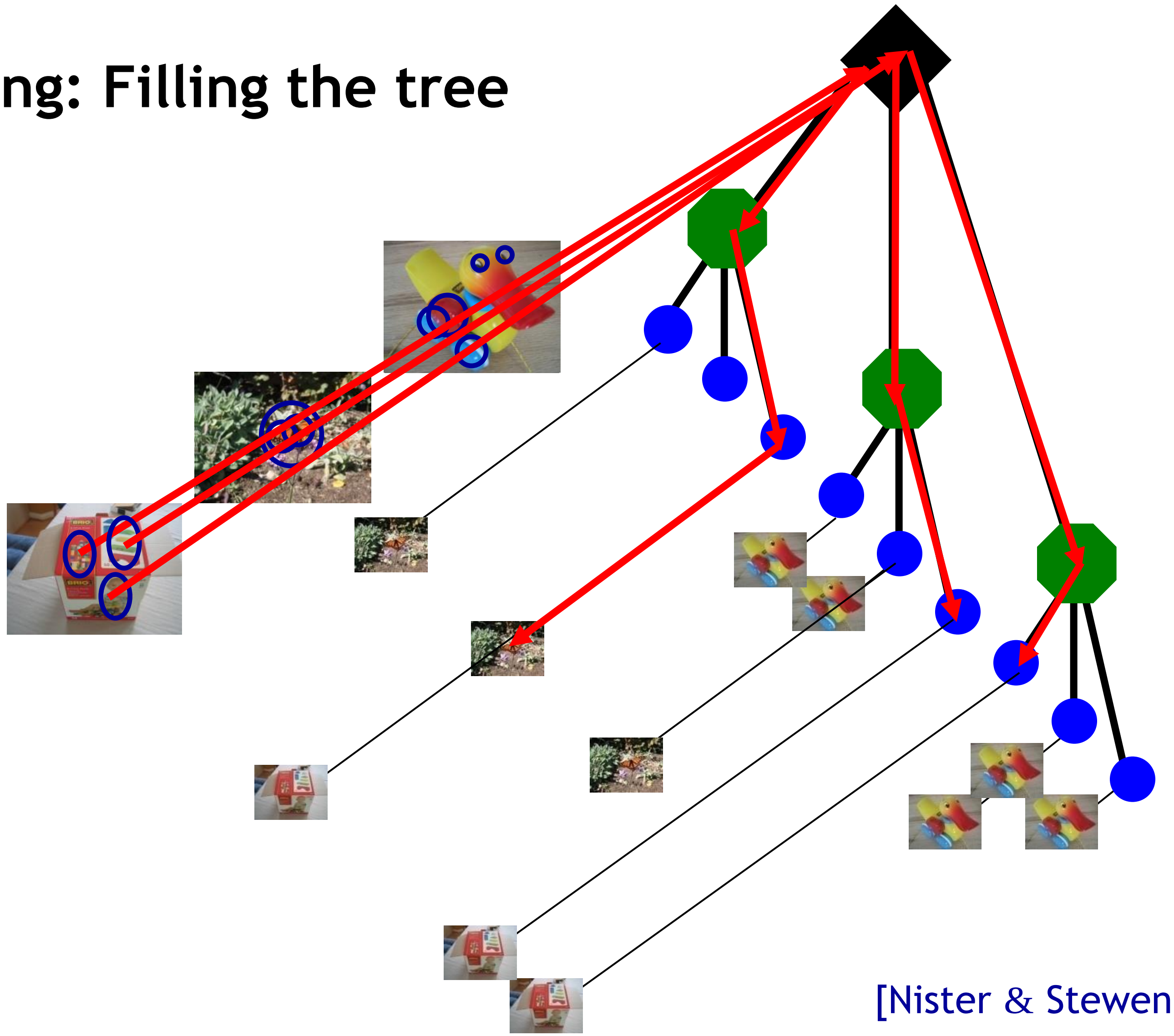

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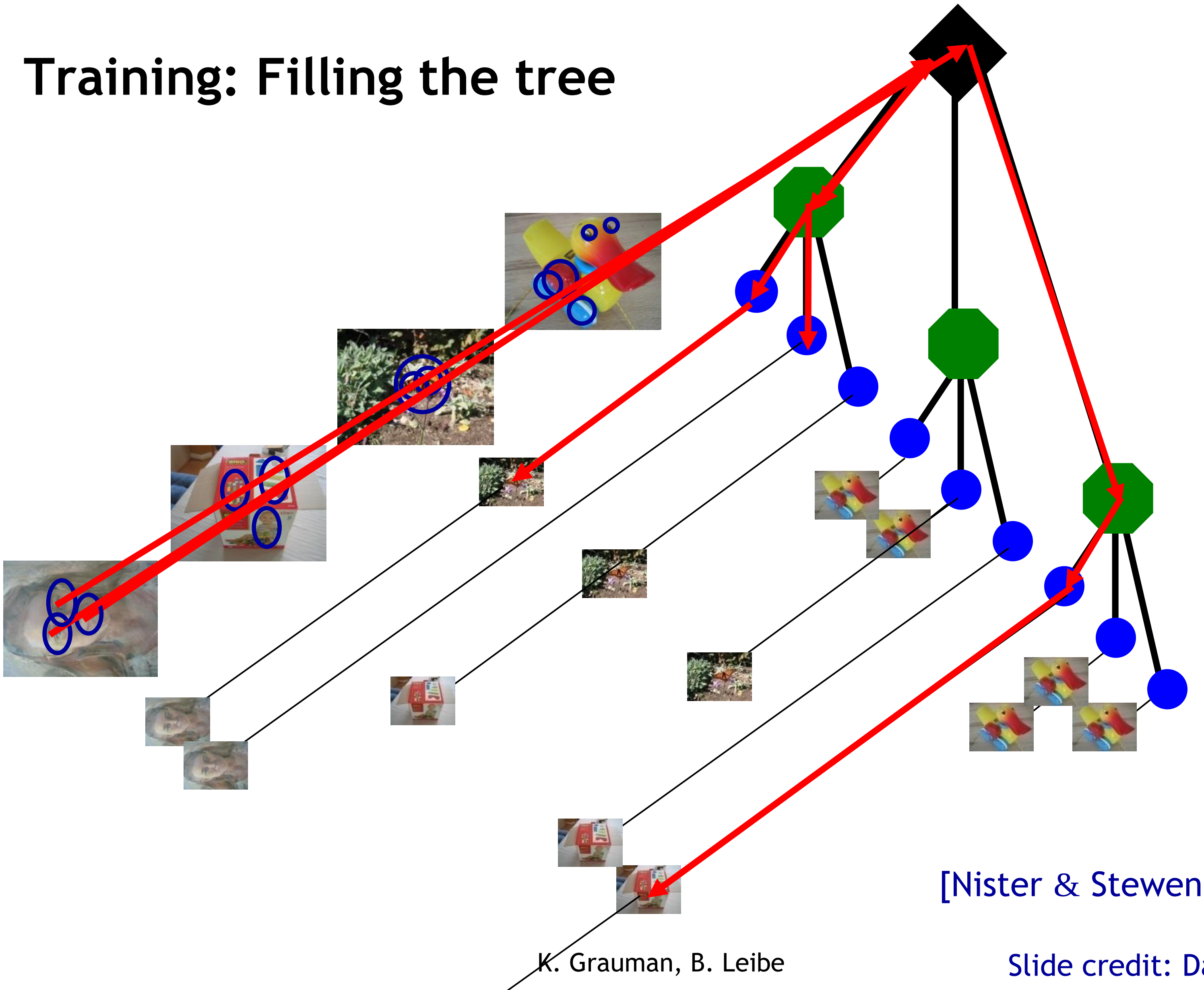

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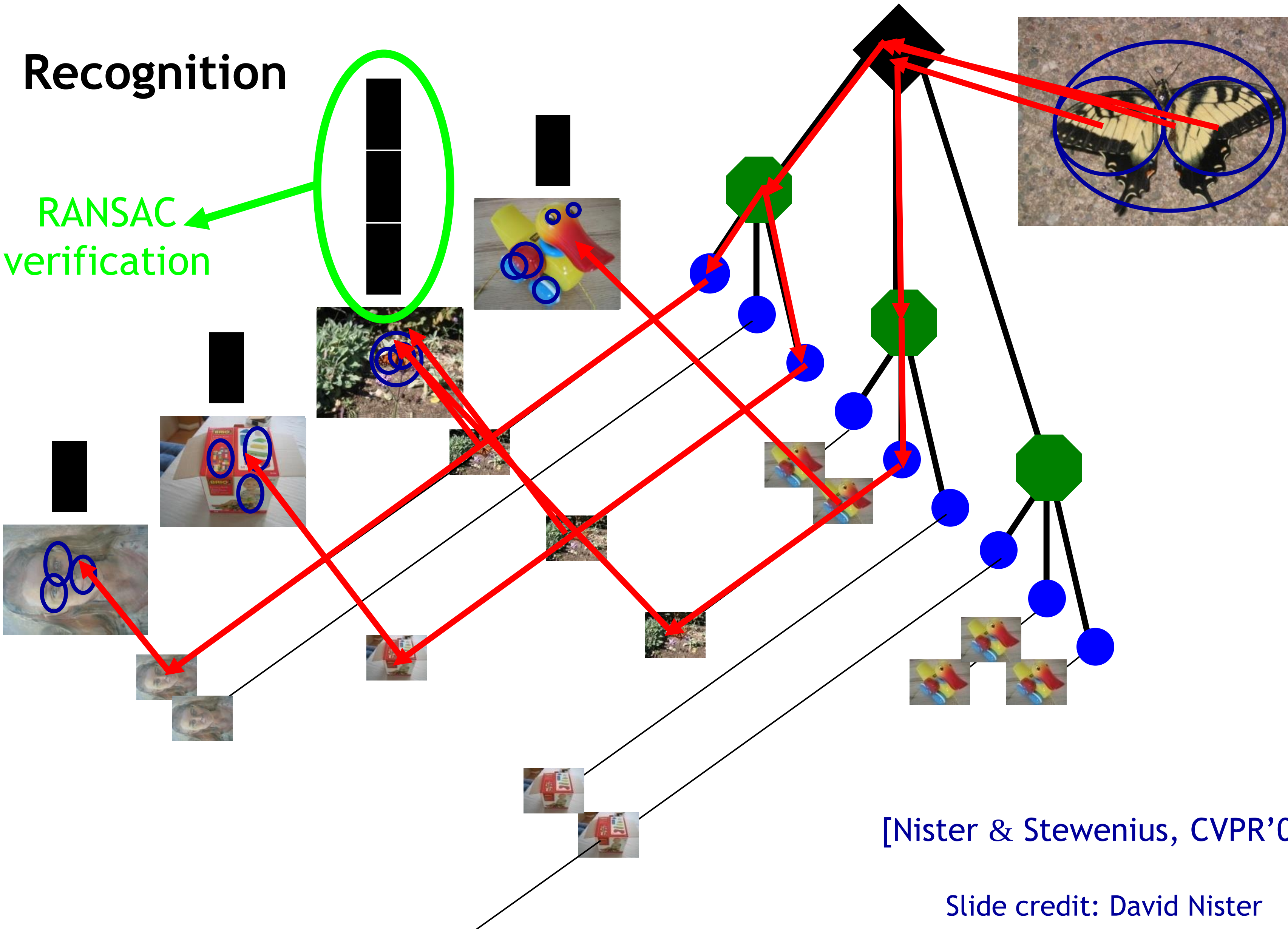
What is the computational advantage of the hierarchical representation bag of words, vs. a flat vocabulary?

Vocabulary Tree

- **Recognition**



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Bags of words: pros and cons

+ flexible to geometry / deformations / viewpoint
+ compact summary of image content
+ provides vector representation for sets
+ very good results in practice

- basic model ignores geometry – must verify afterwards, or encode via features
- background and foreground mixed when bag covers whole image
- optimal vocabulary formation remains unclear

Summary

- **Matching local invariant features**: useful not only to provide matches for multi-view geometry, but also to find objects and scenes.
- **Bag of words** representation: quantize feature space to make discrete set of visual words
  - Summarize image by distribution of words
  - Index individual words
- **Inverted index**: pre-compute index to enable faster search at query time