

# TP14 - Indexing local features

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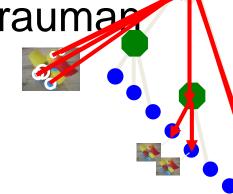
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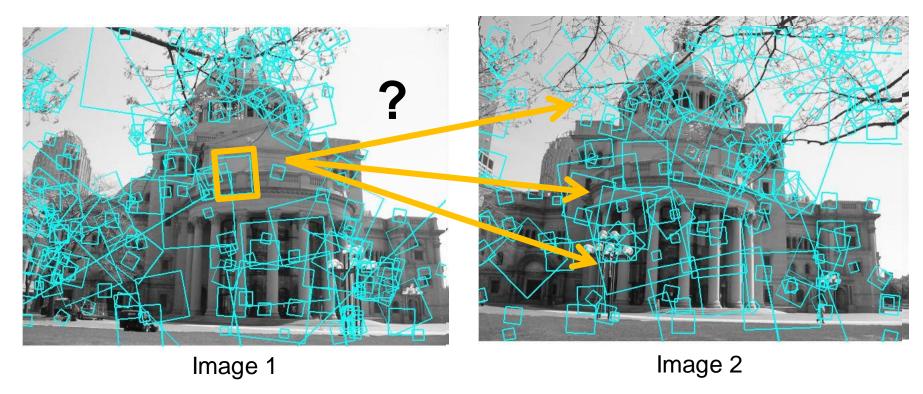


# Matching local features





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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)

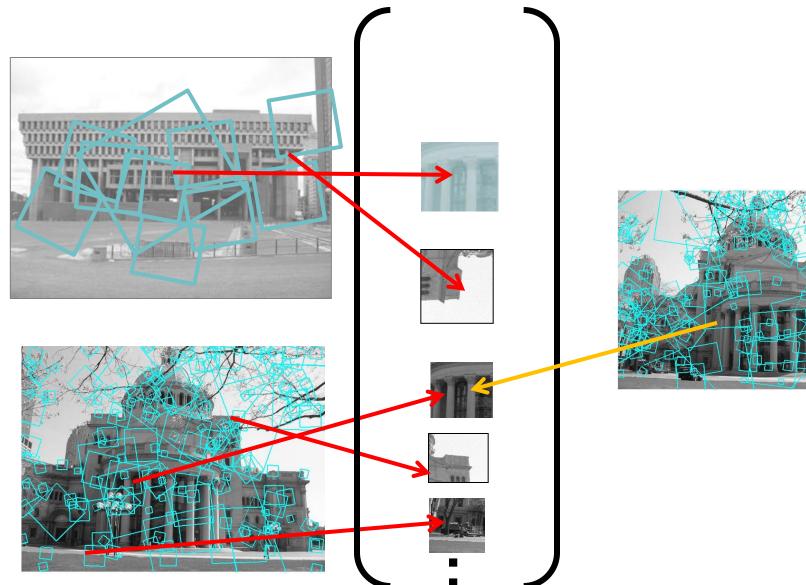
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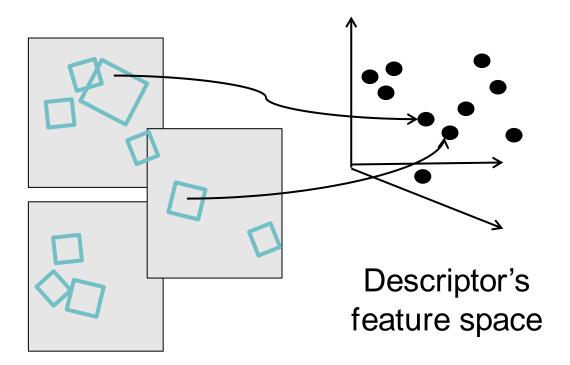


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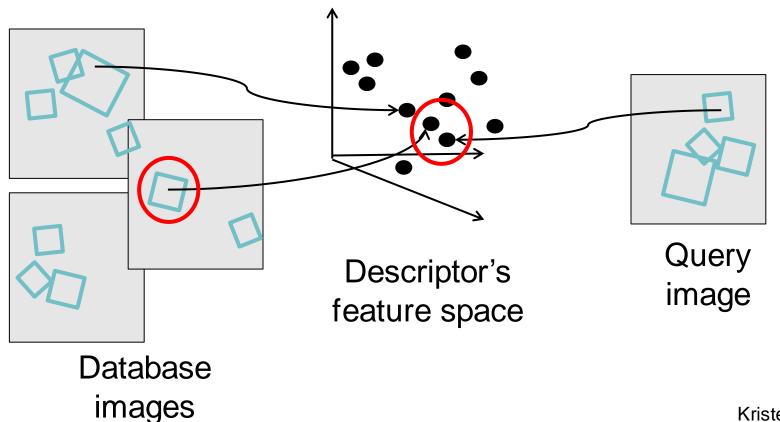
In stereo case, may constrain by proximity if we make assumptions on max disparities.



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



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



 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?

# Indexing local features: inverted file index

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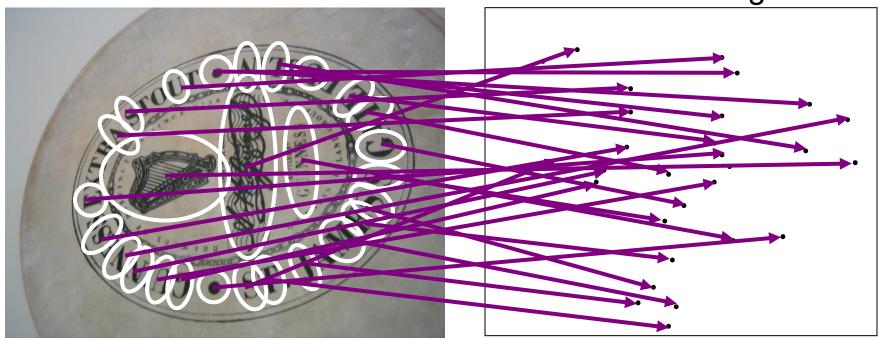
- For text documents, an efficient way to find all pages on which a word occurs is to use an index...
- We want to find all images in which a feature occurs.
- To use this idea, we'll need to map our features to "visual words".

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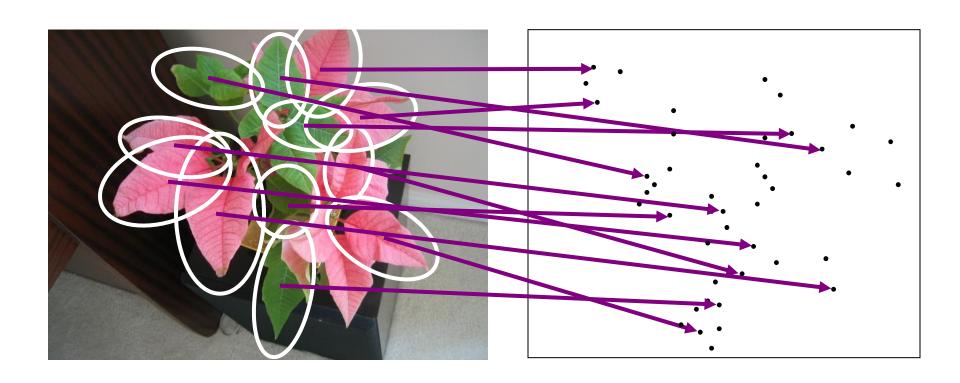
# Text retrieval vs. image search

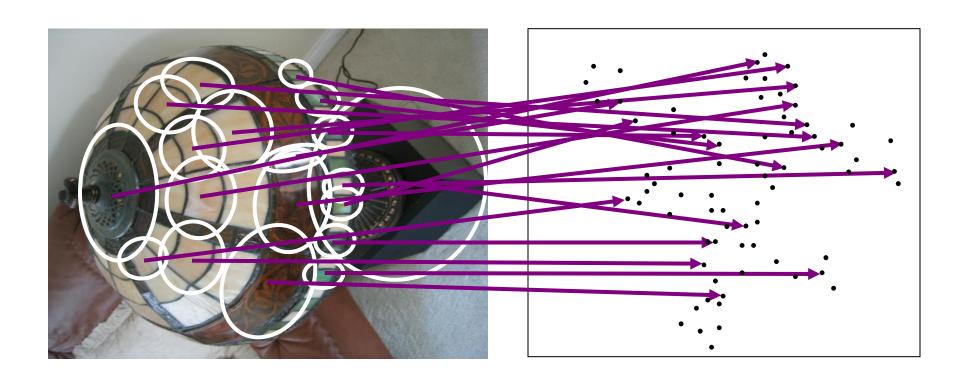
What makes the problems similar, different?

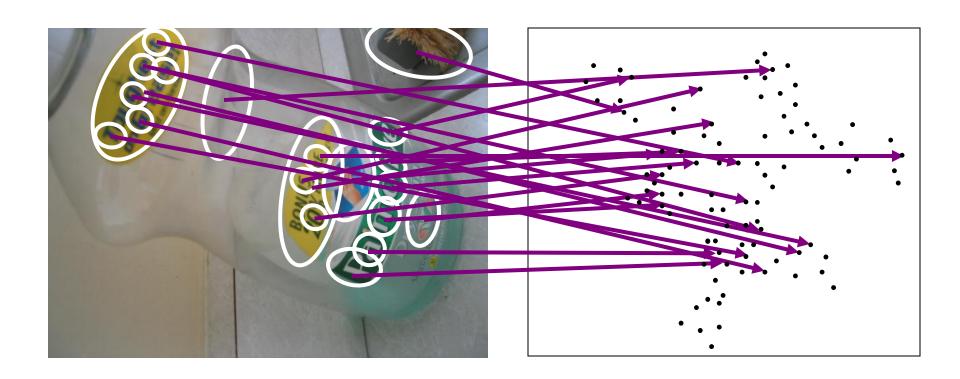
Extract some local features from a number of images ...

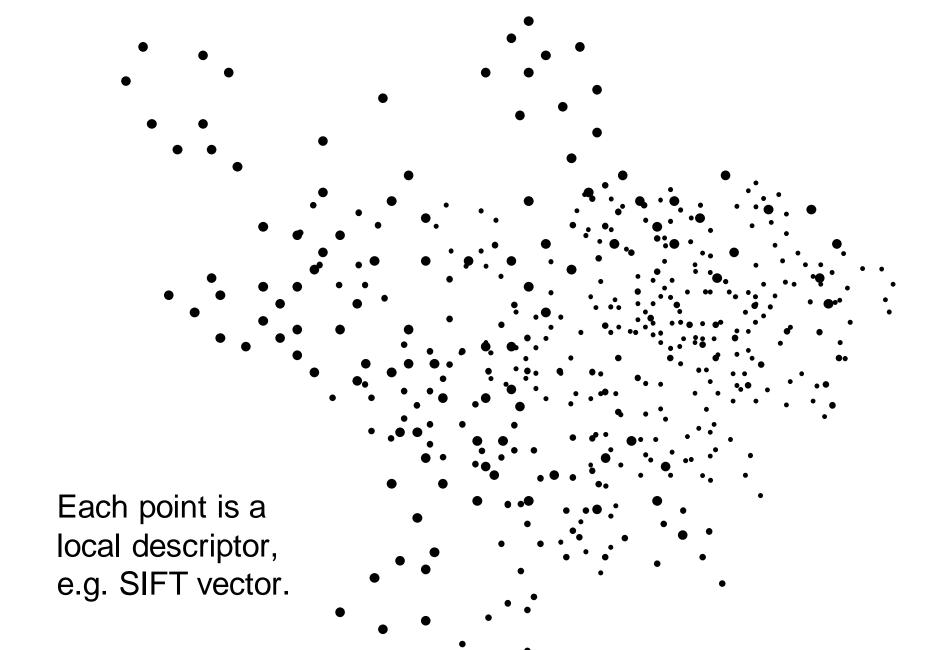


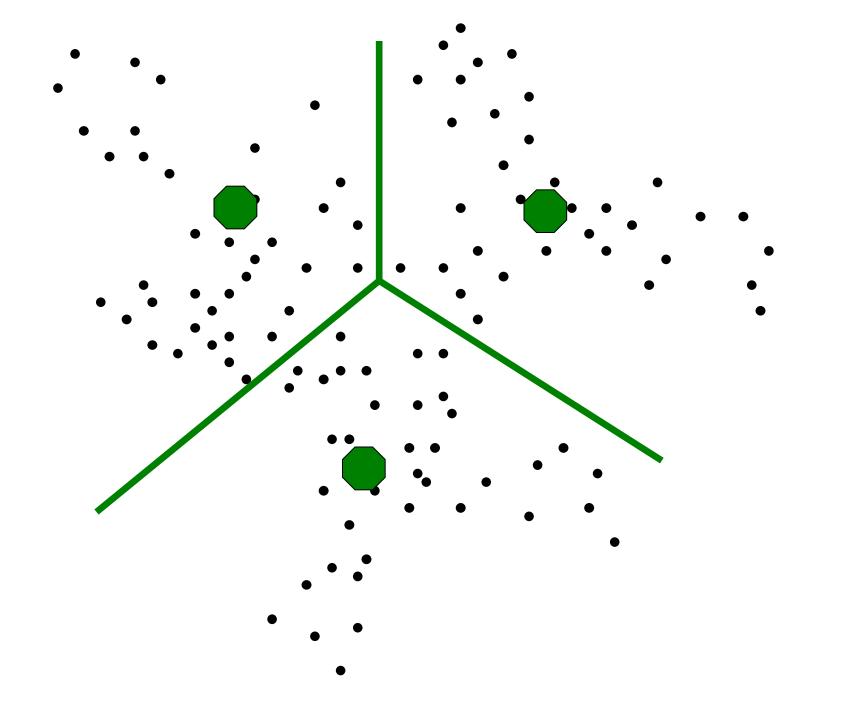
e.g., SIFT descriptor space: each point is 128-dimensional





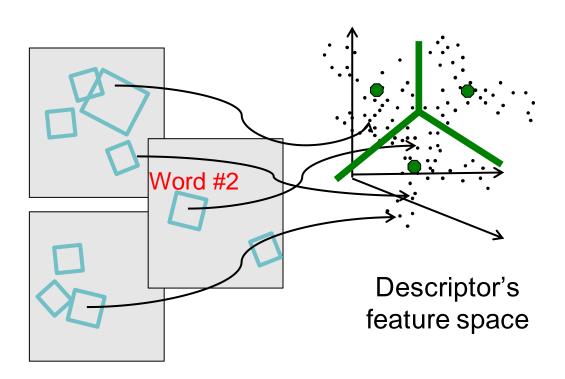






#### Visual words

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

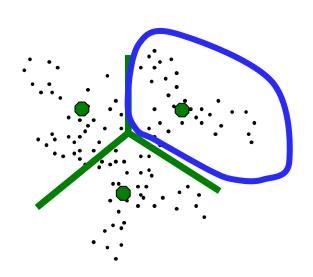


- Quantize via clustering, let cluster centers be the prototype "words"
- Determine which word to assign to each new image region by finding the closest cluster center.

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## Visual words

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



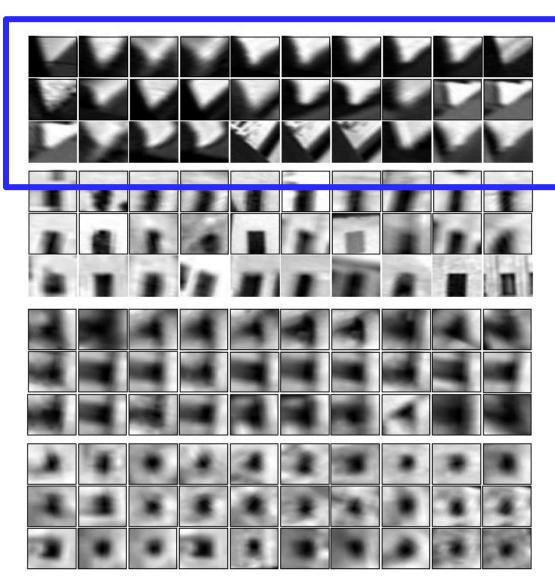
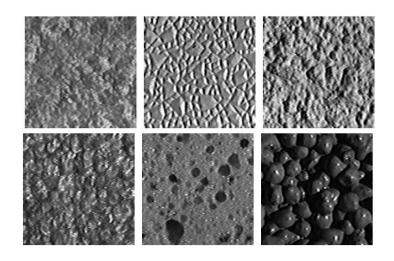


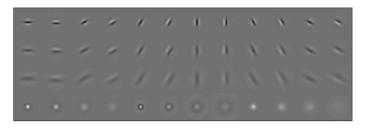
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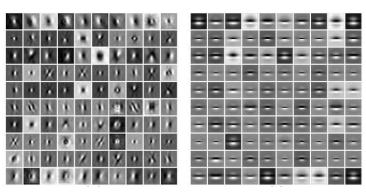
#### Visual words and textons

- 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.

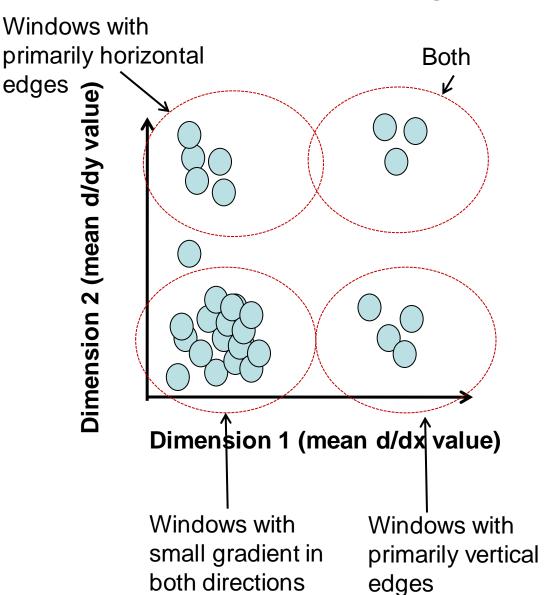
Leung & Malik 1999; Varma & Zisserman, 2002







## Recall: Texture representation example



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

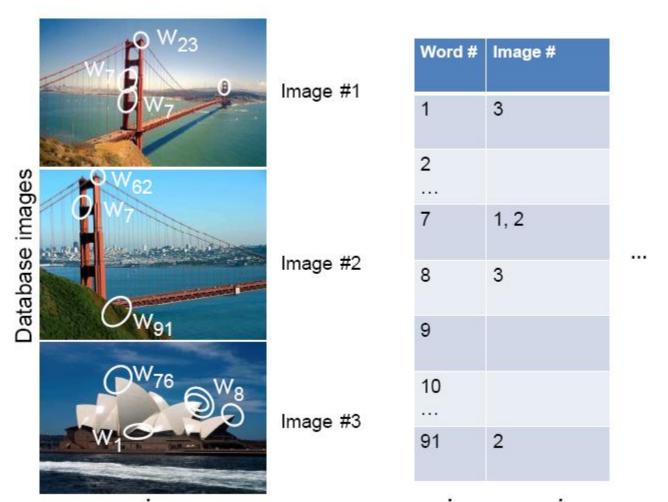
statistics to summarize patterns in small windows

# Visual vocabulary formation

#### Issues:

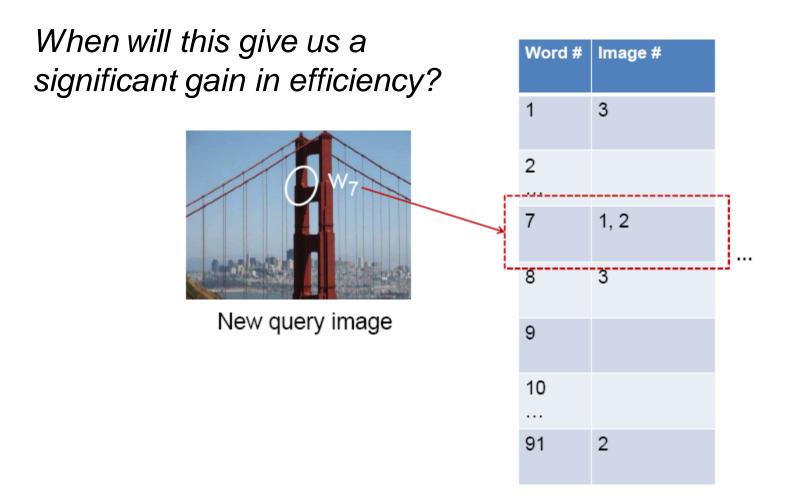
- Sampling strategy: where to extract features?
- Clustering / quantization algorithm
- Unsupervised vs. supervised
- What corpus provides features (universal vocabulary?)
- Vocabulary size, number of words

#### Inverted file index



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

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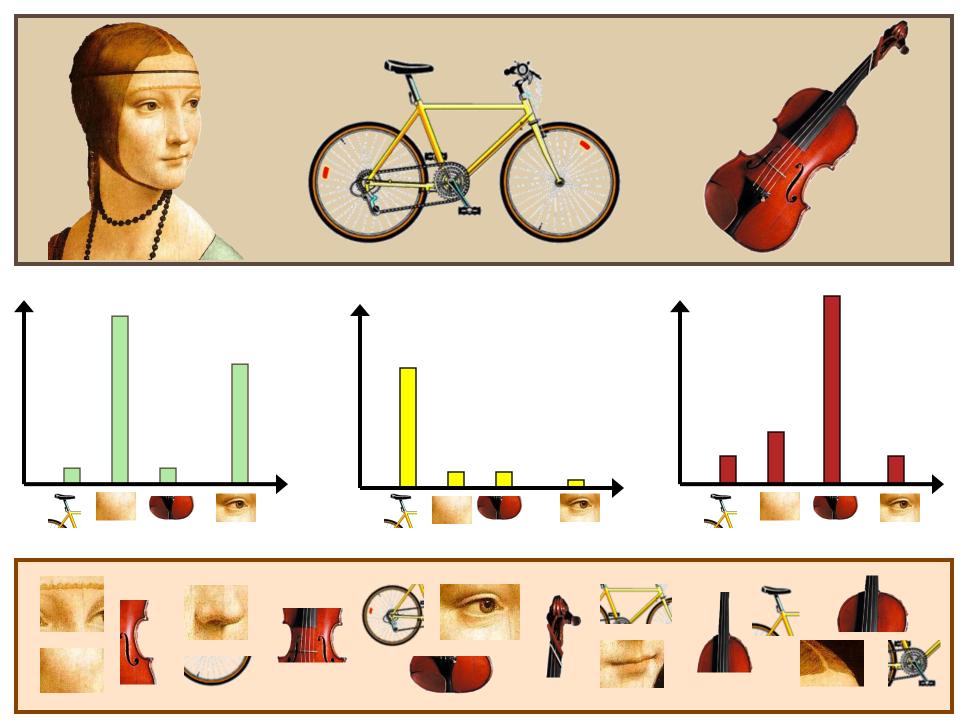


 New query image is mapped to indices of database images that share a word.  If a local image region is a visual word, how can we summarize an image (the document)?

#### **Analogy to documents**

Of all the sensory impressions proceeding to the brain, the visual experiences are the dominant ones. Our perception of the world around us is based essentially on the messages that r our eyes. For a long tig sensory, brain, image way centers visual, perception, movie s etinal, cerebral cortex image. discov eye, cell, optical know th nerve, image percepti more com Hubel, Wiesel following the to the various Co ortex. Hubel and Wieselria demonstrate that the message abo image falling on the retina undergoe wise analysis in a system of nerve cell stored in columns. In this system each d has its specific function and is responsible a specific detail in the pattern of the retinal image.

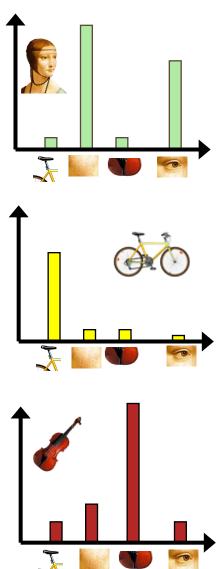
China is forecasting a trade surplus of \$90bn (£51bn) to \$100bn this year, a threefold increase on 2004's \$32bn. The Commerce Ministry said the surplus would be created by a predicted 30% compared w China, trade, \$660bn. 3 annov t surplus, commerce China's exports, imports, US, delibe yuan, bank, domestic, agrees yuan is foreign, increase, governo trade, value also need .... demand so country. China yuan against the done permitted it to trade within a narrow the US wants the yuan to be allowed freely. However, Beijing has made it cit it will take its time and tread carefully be allowing the yuan to rise further in value.



# Bags of visual words

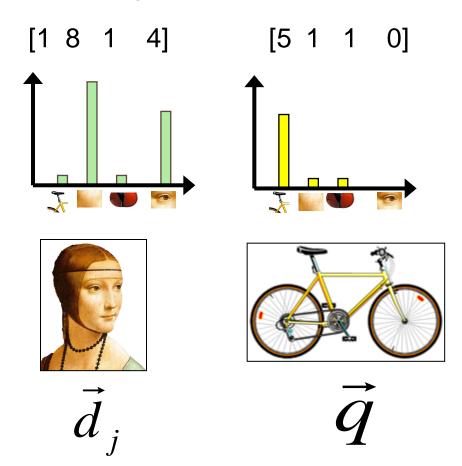
- Summarize entire image based on its distribution (histogram) of word occurrences.
- Analogous to bag of words representation commonly used for documents.





# Comparing bags of words

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



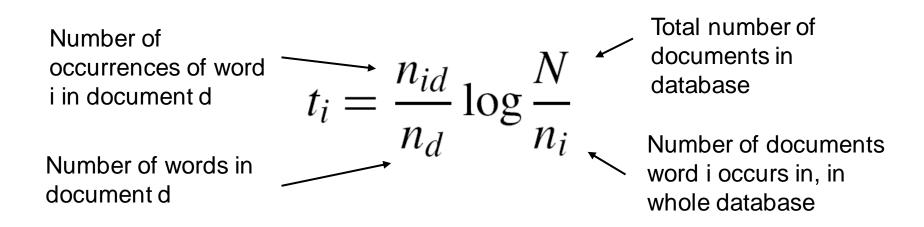
$$sim(d_j, q) = \frac{\langle d_j, q \rangle}{\|d_j\| \|q\|}$$

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

for vocabulary of *V* words

# tf-idf weighting

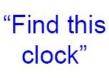
- Term frequency inverse document frequency
- Describe frame by frequency of each word within it, downweight words that appear often in the database
- (Standard weighting for text retrieval)



# Bags of words for content-based image retrieval

Visually defined query

"Groundhog Day" [Rammis, 1993]





"Find this place"





#### Example



#### retrieved shots





Start frame 52907

Key frame 53026

End frame 53028







Start frame 54342

Key frame 54376

End frame 54644







Start frame 51770

Key frame 52251

End frame 52348







Start frame 54079

Key frame 54201

End frame 54201







Start frame 38909

Key frame 39126

End frame 39300







Start frame 40760

Key frame 40826

End frame 41049







Slide from Andrew Zisserman Sivic & Zisserman, ICCV 2003

#### **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

Sivic & Zisserman, ICCV 2003

Demo online at:
 http://www.robots.ox.ac.uk/~vgg/r
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Query region













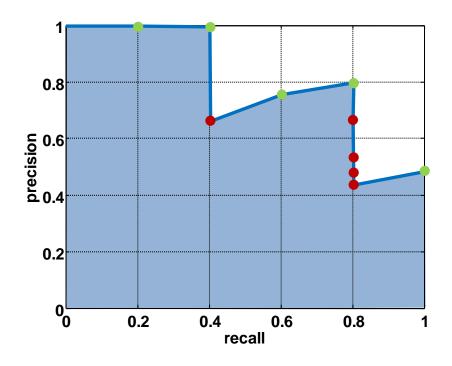
## Scoring retrieval quality



Query

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

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



#### Results (ordered):















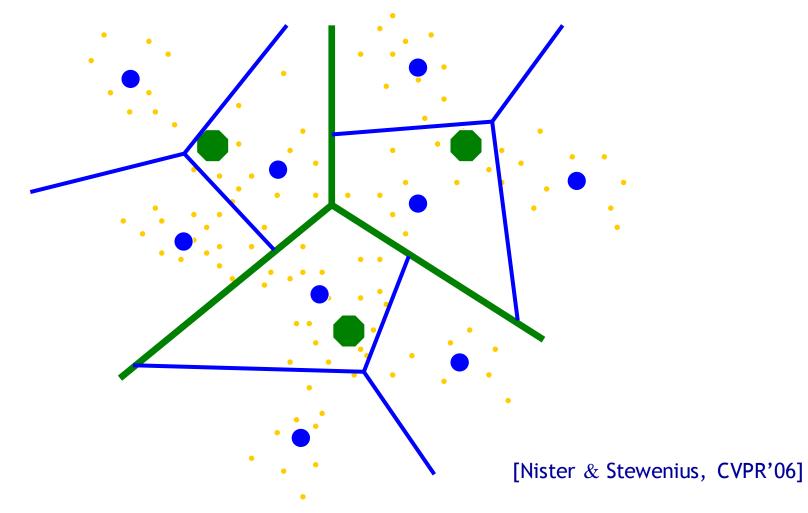




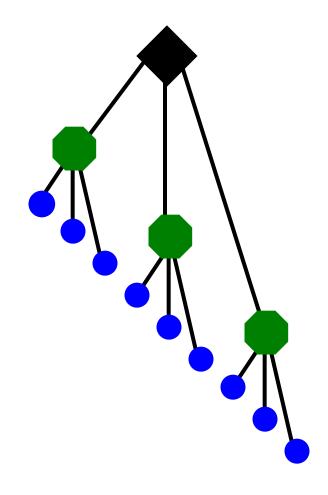


# Vocabulary Trees: hierarchical clustering for large vocabularies

Tree construction:



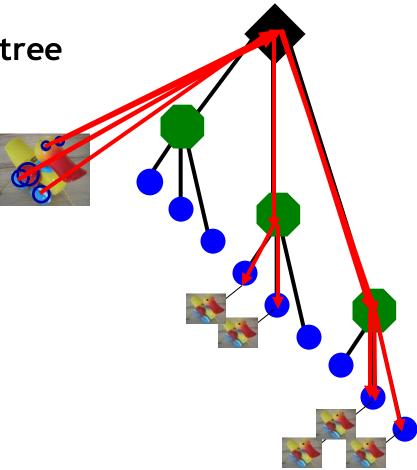
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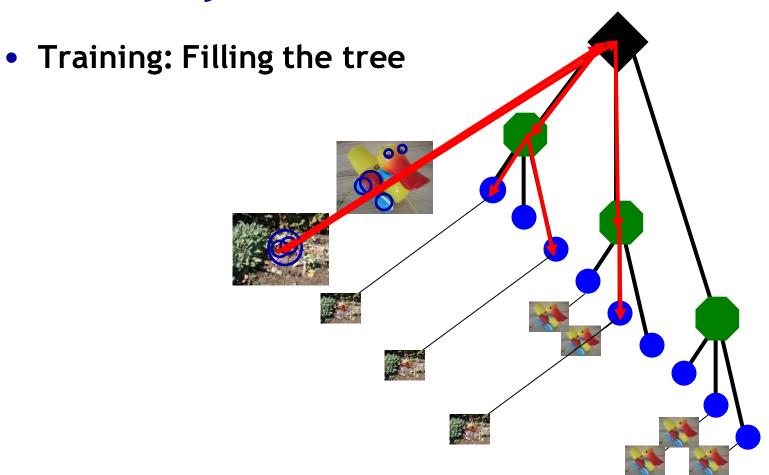
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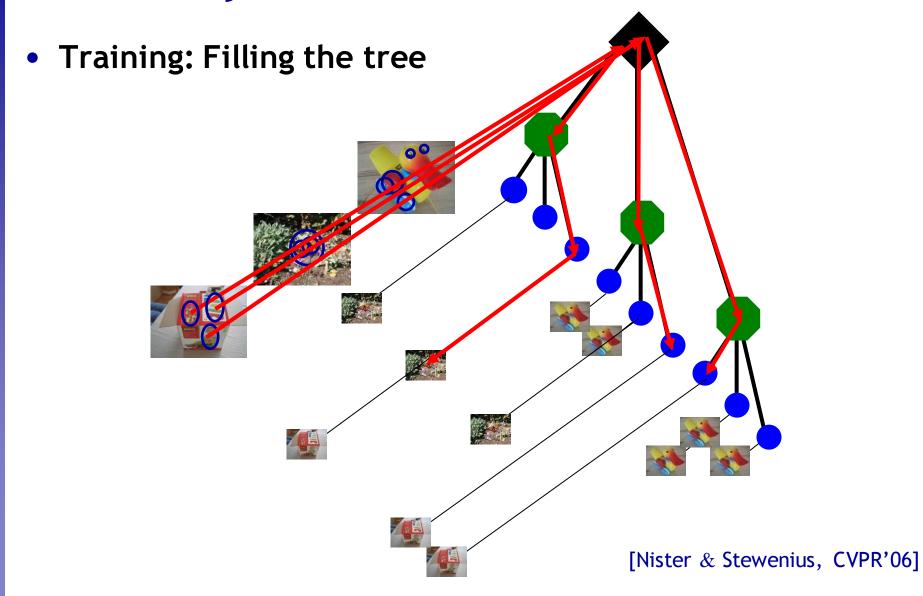


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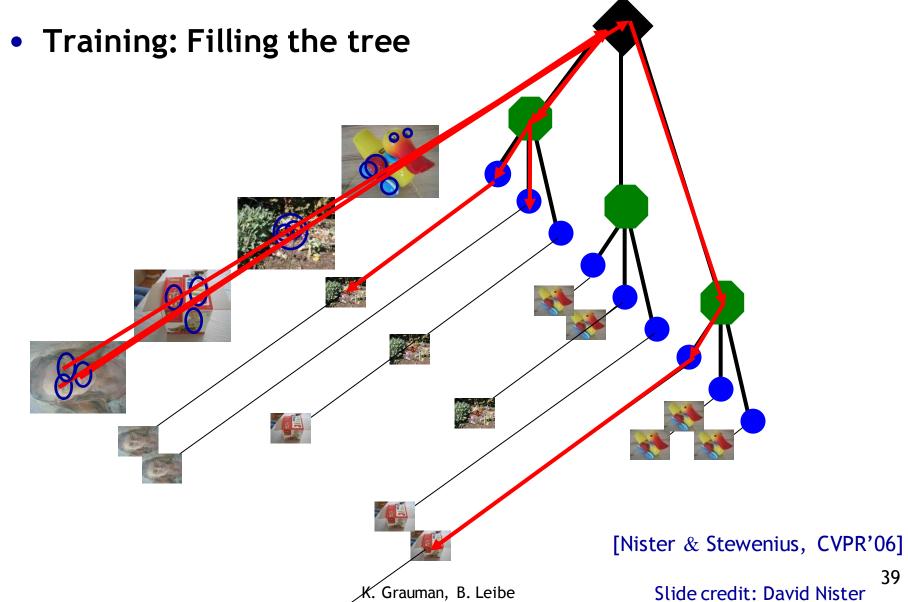


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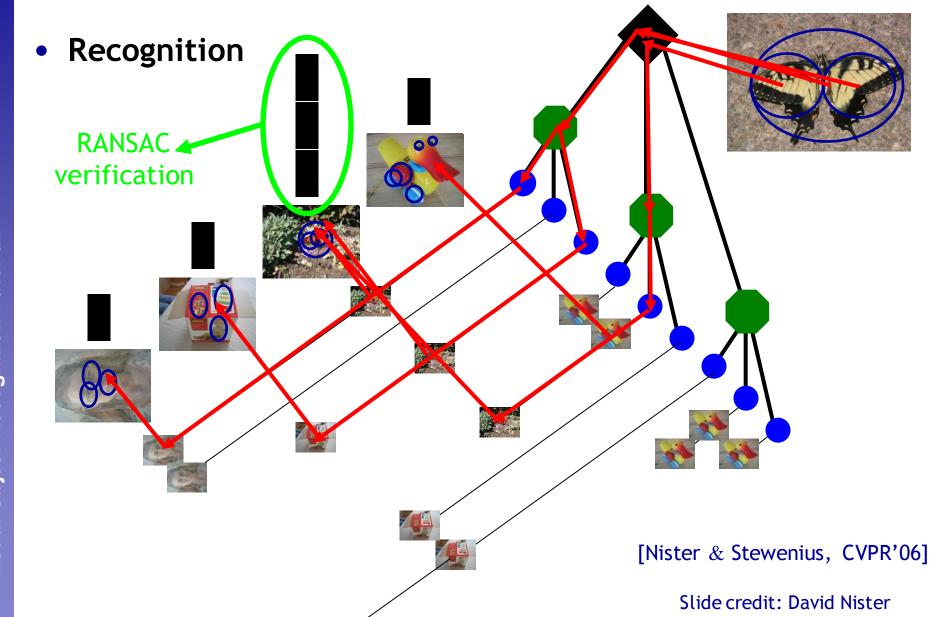
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What is the computational advantage of the hierarchical representation bag of words, vs. a flat vocabulary?



# 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