

# Feature Detection and Matching

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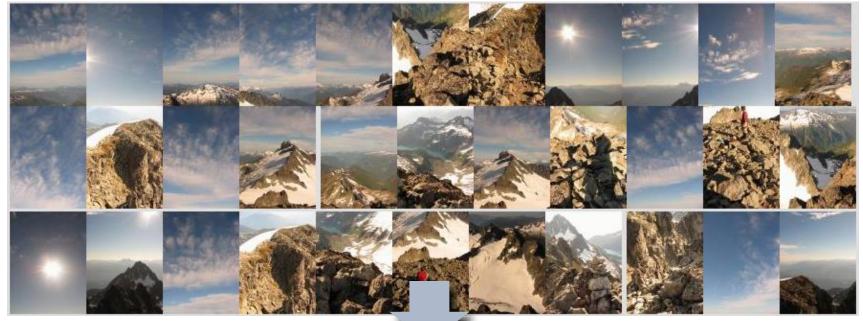
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#### • References:

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- Slides from *CE 5554 / ECE 4554: Computer Vision*, Prof. J.-B. Huang, Virginia Tech
- Slides from *CSE 576 Computer Vision*, Prof. Steve Seitz and Prof. Rick Szeliski, U. Washington
- Chap. 4 of Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications
- Reference papers

#### Outline

- The requirement for the features
- Points and patches
  - Feature detector
  - Feature descriptors
  - Feature matching
  - Feature tracking
  - SIFT
  - Applications
  - Recent features
- Edges and lines
- Appendix: MPEG-7 descriptors





• The same place?



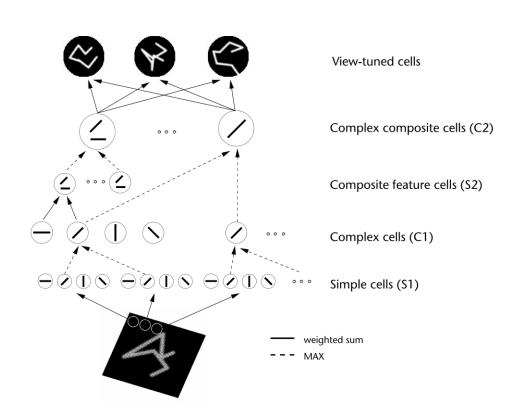


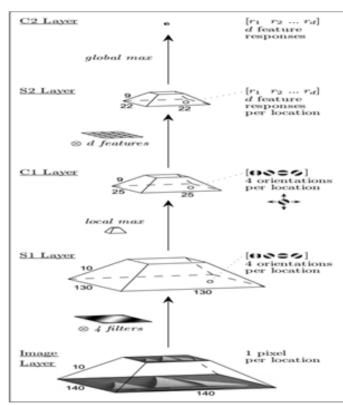
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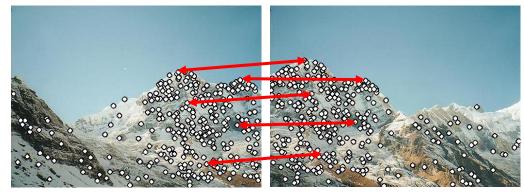
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### The Requirement for the Features

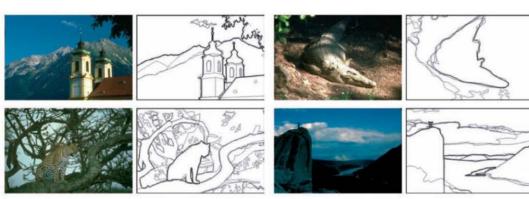
- We don't make it by matching pixel values, but with some higher level information: **features**
- Requirements
  - Invariant: to lighting, color, rotation, scale, view angle...
  - Locality: features are local, so robust to occlusion and clutter (no prior segmentation)
  - **Distinctiveness**: individual features can be matched to a large database of objects
  - Quantity: many features can be generated for even small objects
  - Efficiency: close to real-time performance
  - ...

#### **Features**

Interest points



Edge and lines



Others

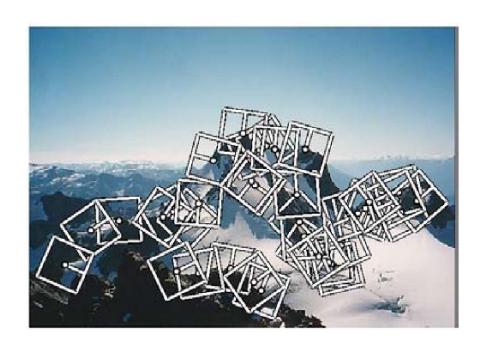




#### **Points and Patches**

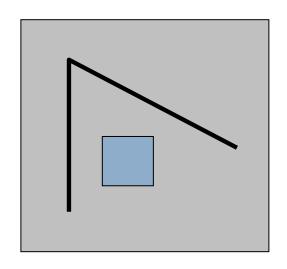
# Keypoint Detection and Matching Pipeline

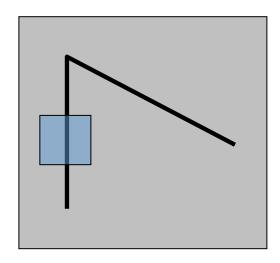
- Feature detection
- Feature description
- Feature matching
- Feature tracking

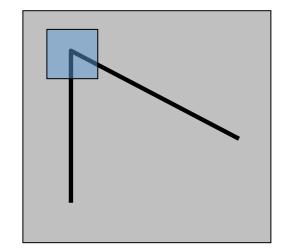


Suppose we only consider a small window of pixels

What defines whether a feature is a good or bad?

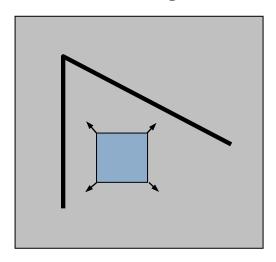


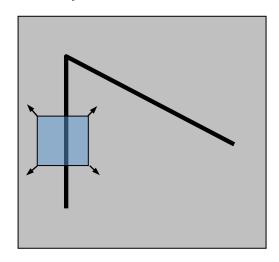


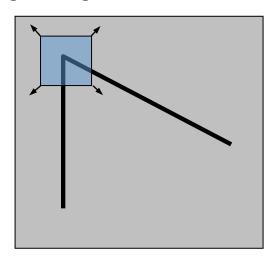


Local measure of feature uniqueness

- How does the window change when you shift it?
- Shifting the window in any direction causes a big change



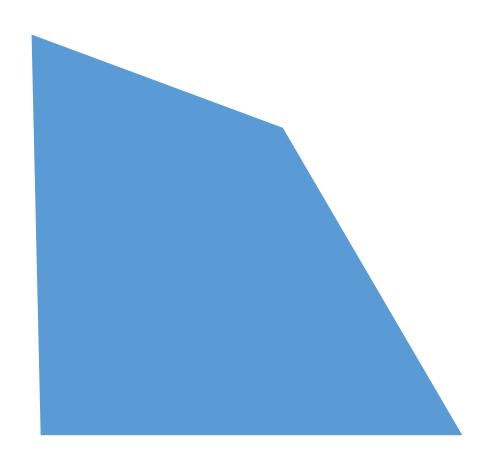




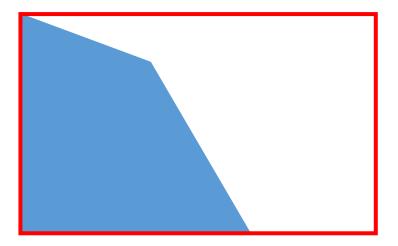
"flat" region:
no change in all
directions

"edge": no change along the edge direction "corner": significant change in all directions

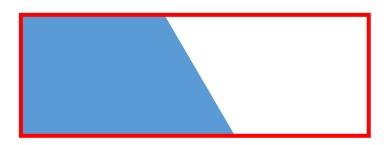
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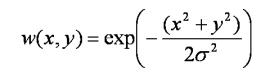


• Change of intensity for the shift (u,v):

**Auto-correlation function** 

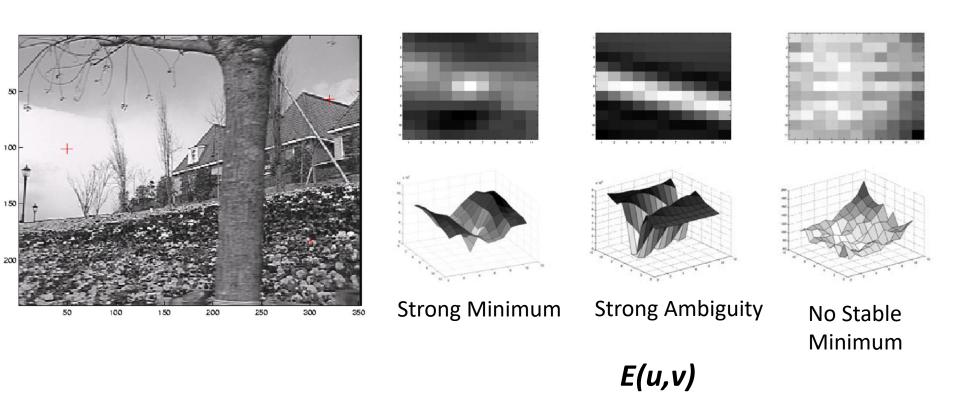
$$E(u,v) = \sum_{x,y} w(x,y)[I(x+u,y+v) - I(x,y)]^{2}$$
window shifted intensity

intensity



function





Small motion assumption → use Taylor Series expansion

$$E(u,v) = \sum_{x,y} w(x,y)[I(x+u,y+v) - I(x,y)]^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{x,y} w(x,y)[I(x,y) + \nabla I(x,y) \cdot (u,v) - I(x,y)]^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{x,y} w(x,y)[I_{x}(x,y)u + I_{y}(x,y)v]^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{x,y} w(x,y)[I_{x}^{2}(x,y)u^{2} + I_{y}^{2}(x,y)v^{2} + 2I_{x}(x,y)I_{y}(x,y)uv]$$

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$$E(u,v) \cong \begin{bmatrix} u & v \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{M} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

, where  $\mathbf{M}$  is a 2×2 matrix computed from image derivatives:

$$\mathbf{M} = \sum_{x,y} w(x,y) \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2 & I_x I_y \\ I_x I_y & I_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Eigenvectors of Symmetric Matrices**

suppose  $A \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric, i.e.,  $A = A^T$ 

**fact:** there is a set of orthonormal eigenvectors of A

$$A = Q\Lambda Q^T$$
$$\mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$$

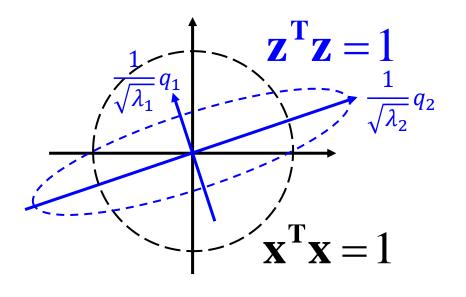
$$= \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{Q}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}$$

$$= \left(\mathbf{Q}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x}\right)^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Lambda} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x}\right)$$

$$= \mathbf{y}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{y}$$

$$= \left( \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{y} \right)^{T} \left( \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{y} \right)$$

$$=\mathbf{z}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{z}$$



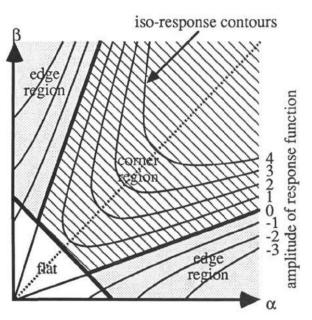
Intensity change in shifting window: eigenvalue analysis

$$E(u,v) \cong [u,v]\mathbf{M} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$
  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  – eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{M}$ 

Ellipse E(u,v) = const

onst direction of the fastest change direction of the slowest change

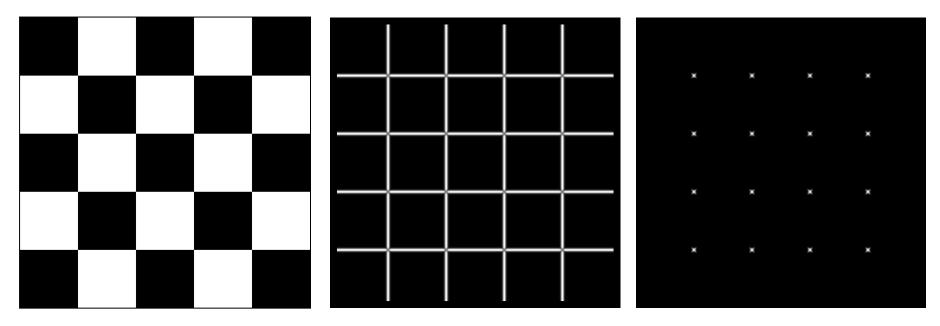
- Feature scoring function
  - $\det(M) \alpha \cdot \operatorname{trace}(M)^2 = \lambda_0 \lambda_1 \alpha (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)^2$
  - $\lambda_0 \alpha \lambda_1$
  - $\frac{\det M}{\operatorname{trace} M} = \frac{\lambda_0 \lambda_1}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1}$



Ref: C. Harris and M.J. Stephens, "A combined corner and edge detector," in *Proc. Alvey Vision Conference*, 1988.

#### Whole feature detection flow:

- Compute the gradient at each point in the image
- Create the **M** matrix from the entries in the gradient
- Compute the eigenvalues.
- Find points with large Feature scoring function

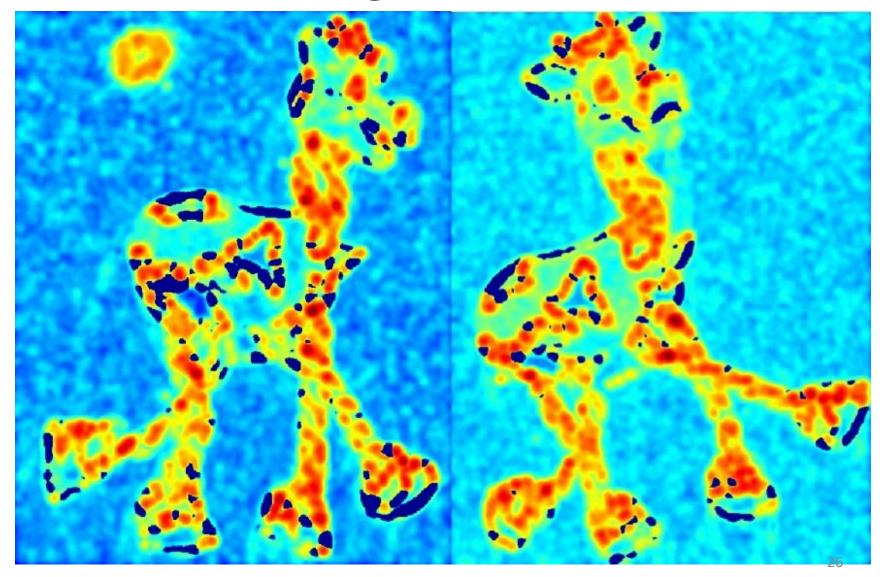


 $\lambda_1$ 

### Harris Detector Example



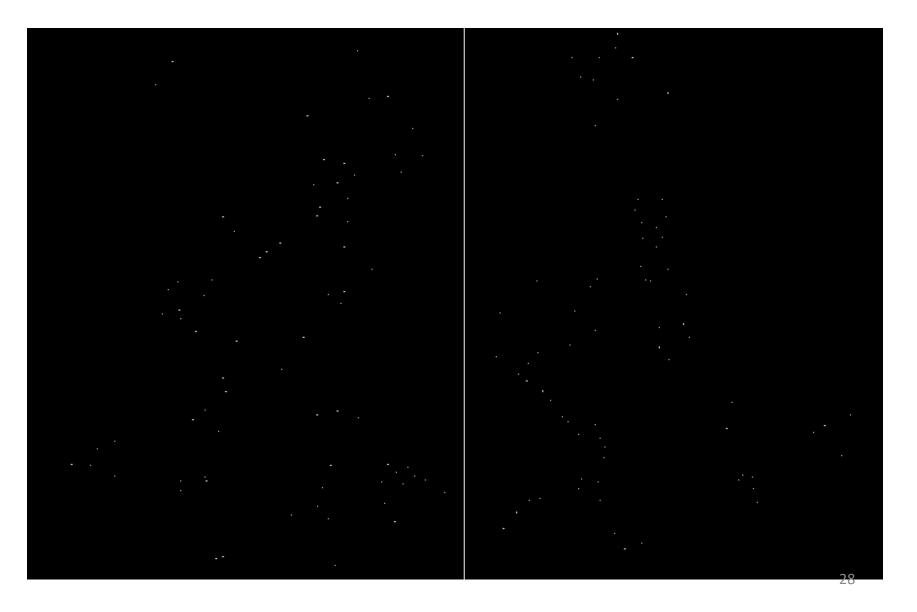
### f value (red high, blue low)



### Threshold (f > value)



#### Find Local Maxima of f

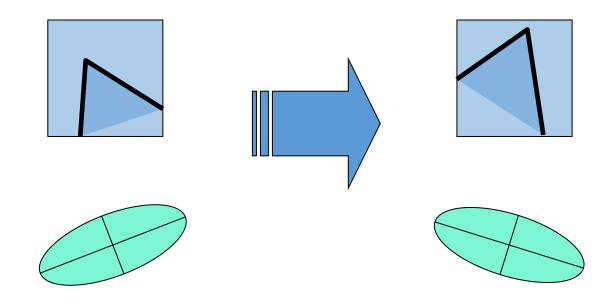


### Harris Features (in Red)



#### Harris Detector: Invariance Properties

Rotation

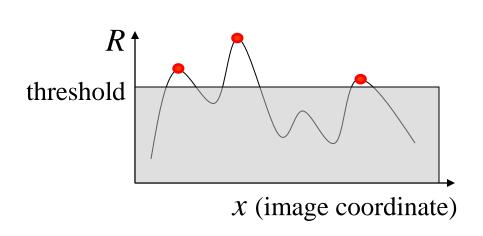


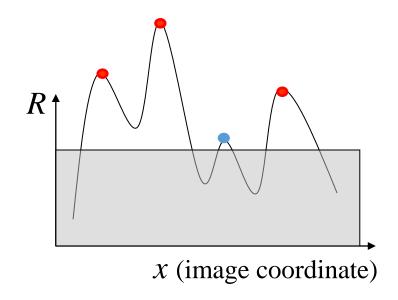
Ellipse rotates but its shape (i.e. eigenvalues) remains the same

Corner response is invariant to image rotation

#### Harris Detector: Invariance Properties

- Affine intensity change:  $I \rightarrow aI + b$ 
  - ✓ Only derivatives are used => invariance to intensity shift  $I \rightarrow I + b$
  - ✓ Intensity scale:  $I \rightarrow a I$

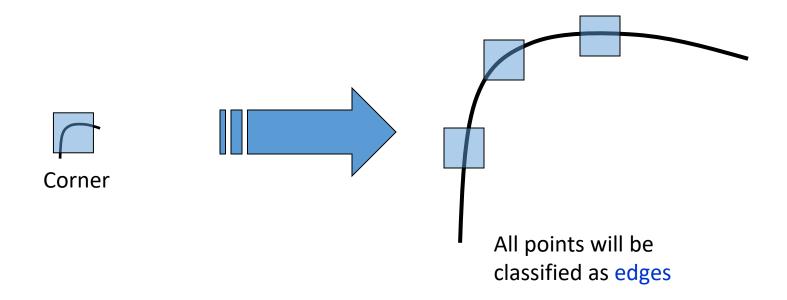




Partially invariant to affine intensity change

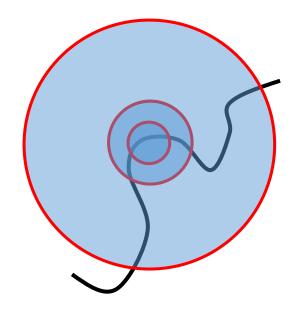
#### Harris Detector: Invariance Properties

Scaling



#### Scale Invariant Detection

Suppose you're looking for corners

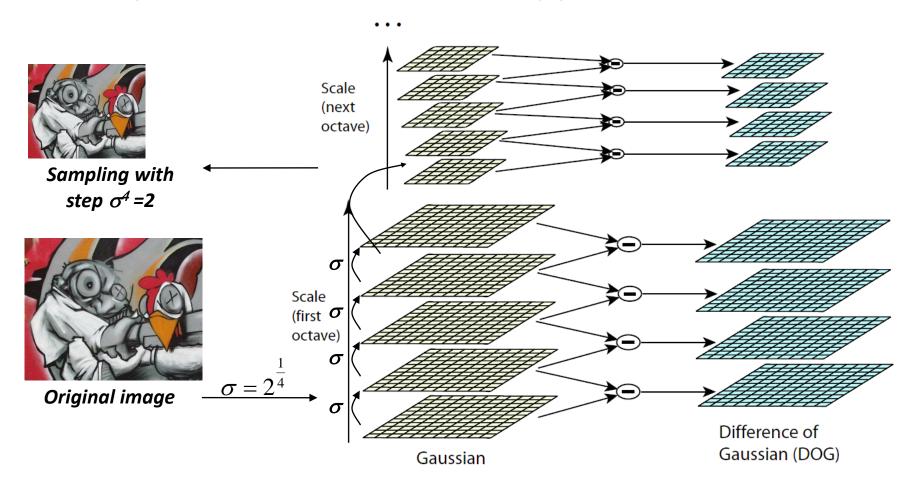


Key idea: find scale that gives local maximum of f

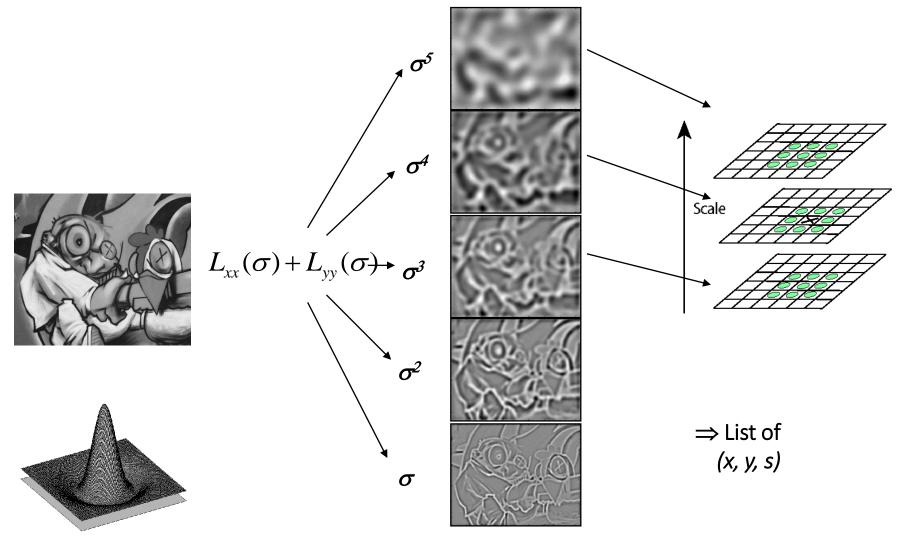
- in both position and scale
- One definition of f: the Harris operator

### DoG – Efficient Computation

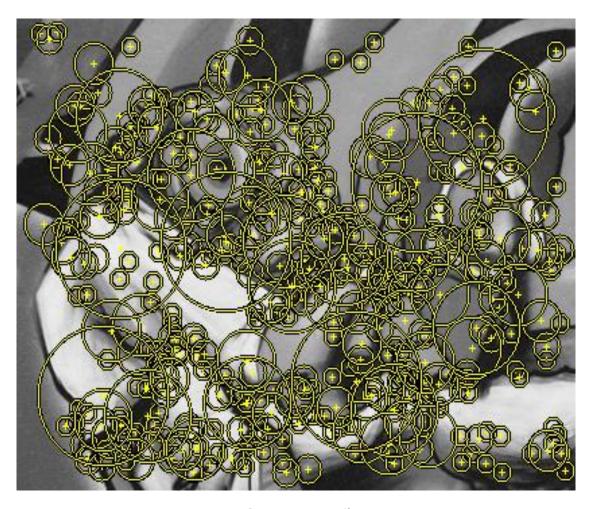
Computation in Gaussian scale pyramid



# Find Local Maxima in Position-Scale Space of Difference-of-Gaussian



#### Results: Difference-of-Gaussian

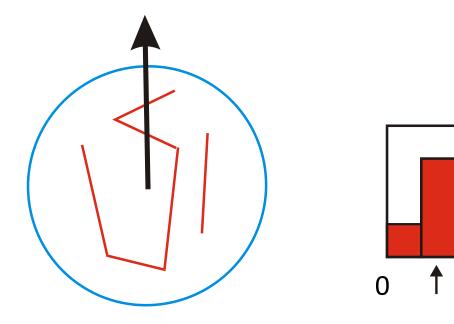


#### **Orientation Normalization**

[Lowe, SIFT, 1999]

 $2\pi$ 

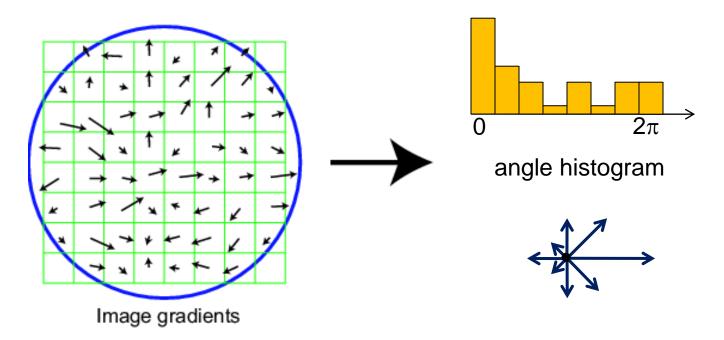
- Compute orientation histogram
- Select dominant orientation
- Normalize: rotate to fixed orientation



#### Scale Invariant Feature Transform

#### Basic idea:

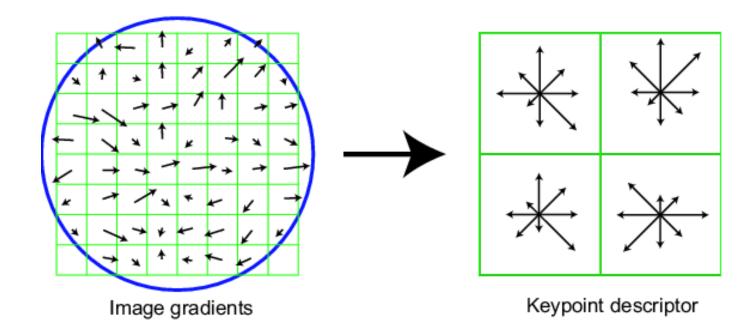
- Take 16x16 square window around detected feature
- Compute edge orientation (angle of the gradient 90°) for each pixel
- Throw out weak edges (threshold gradient magnitude)
- Create histogram of surviving edge orientations



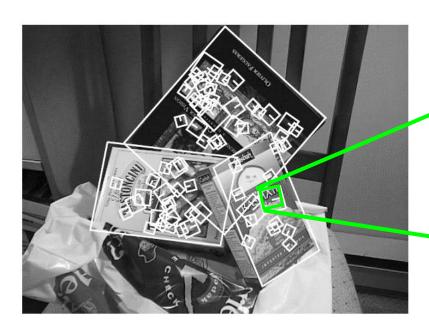
#### SIFT descriptor

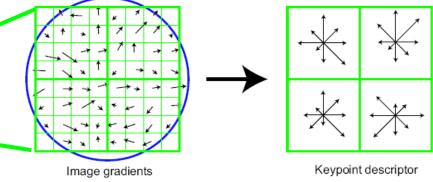
#### **Full version**

- Divide the 16x16 window into a 4x4 grid of cells (2x2 case shown below)
- Compute an orientation histogram for each cell
- 16 cells \* 8 orientations = 128 dimensional descriptor



#### Local Descriptors: SIFT Descriptor





# Histogram of oriented gradients

- Captures important texture information
- Robust to small translations / affine deformations

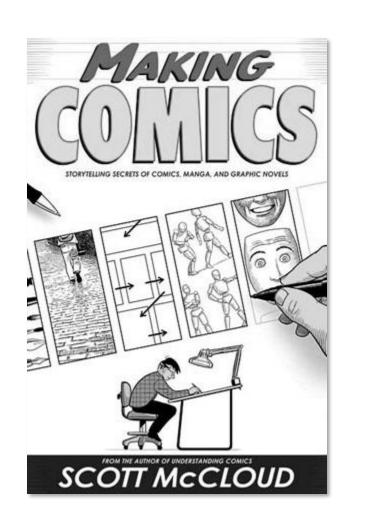
### Details of Lowe's SIFT algorithm

- $\mathbf{H} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} D_{xx} & D_{xy} \\ D_{xy} & D_{yy} \end{array} \right]$
- $\frac{\operatorname{Tr}(\mathbf{H})^2}{\operatorname{Det}(\mathbf{H})} < \frac{(r+1)^2}{r}$

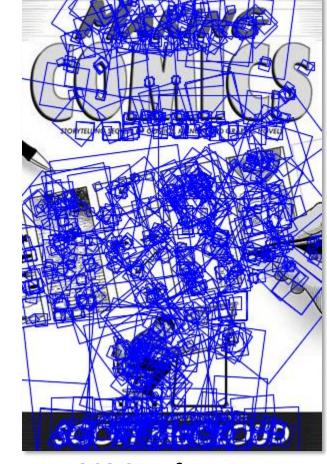
- Run DoG detector
  - Find maxima in location/scale space
  - Remove edge points
- Find all major orientations
  - Bin orientations into 36 bin histogram
    - Weight by gradient magnitude
    - Weight by distance to center (Gaussian-weighted mean)
  - Return orientations within 0.8 of peak
    - Use parabola for better orientation fit
- For each (x,y,scale,orientation), create descriptor:
  - Sample 16x16 gradient mag. and rel. orientation
  - Bin 4x4 samples into 4x4 histograms
  - Threshold values to max of 0.2, divide by L2 norm
  - Final descriptor: 4x4x8 normalized histograms

Ref: D.G. Lowe, "Distinctive image features from scale-invariant keypoints," *International Journal of Computer Vision*, 2004.

### SIFT Example



sift



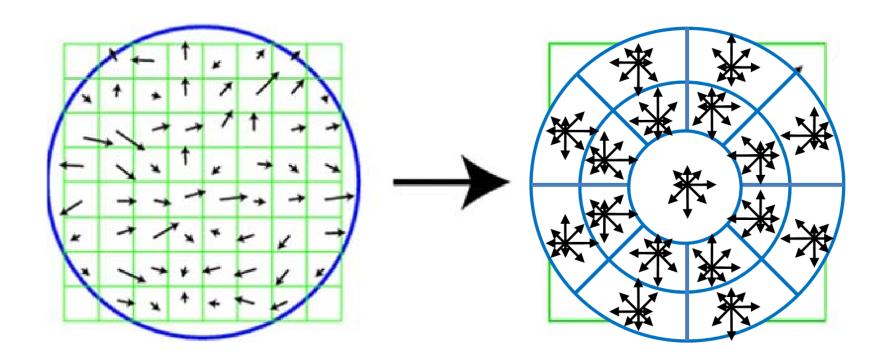
868 SIFT features

#### **PCA SIFT**

- 39 x 39 patch  $\rightarrow$  3042-D vector
- Dimension reduction to 36-D with principal component analysis (PCA)

Ref: Y. Ke and R. Sukthankar, "PCA-SIFT: a more distinctive representation for local image descriptors," in *Proc. CVPR2004*.

# Gradient Location-Orientation Histogram (GLOH)



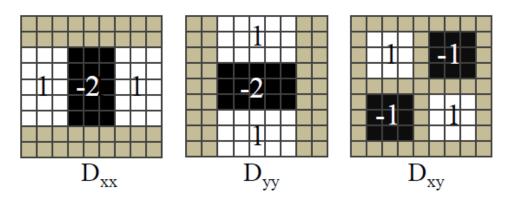
Ref: K. Mikolajczyk and C. Schmid, "A performance evaluation of local descriptors," *IEEE Tran. Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, 2005.

## Speed Up Robust Feature (SURF)

- SURF detector
  - Hessian Matrix Based Interest Points

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}, \sigma) = \begin{bmatrix} L_{xx}(\mathbf{x}, \sigma) & L_{xy}(\mathbf{x}, \sigma) \\ L_{xy}(\mathbf{x}, \sigma) & L_{yy}(\mathbf{x}, \sigma) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Approximation for Hessian Matrix
- Low computational cost

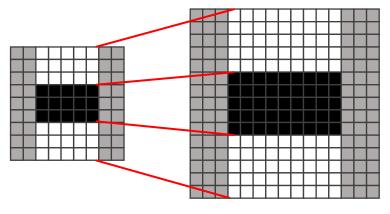


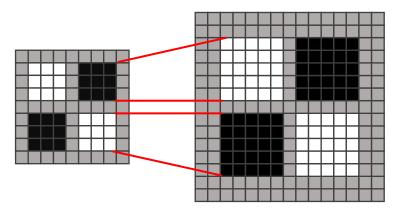
Ref: T. Tuytelaars H. Bay, A. Ess and L. V. Gool, "SURF: Speeded up robust features," in *Proceedings* of Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU), 2008, vol. 110, pp. 346-359.

## Speed Up Robust Feature (SURF)

- SURF detector
  - Scale space representation

9x9 15x15





Octave	Filter size	Sampling Interval
1	$9 \times 9, 15 \times 15, 21 \times 21, 27 \times 27$	2
2	$39 \times 39, 51 \times 51$	4
3	$75 \times 75, 99 \times 99$	8
4	$147 \times 147, 195 \times 195$	16
5	$291 \times 291, 387 \times 387$	32

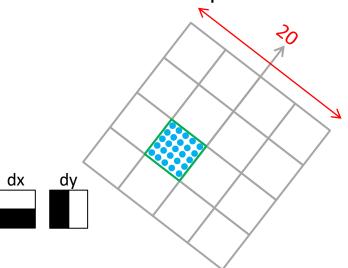
## Speed Up Robust Feature (SURF)

#### Descriptor

- Based on sum of Haar wavelet response
- dx,dy: wavelet responses in x & y direction
- 4x4 sub-region
- Calculate Σdx , Σdy, Σ|dx|, Σ|dy|
- 4\*4\*4 = 64 dimensions
- 4\*4\*5\*5=400 times calculation for an interest point

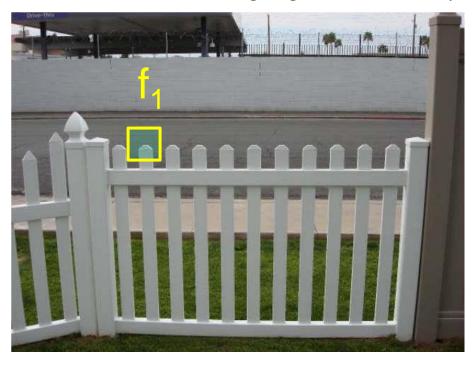
 $\Sigma dx$   $\Sigma |dx|$   $\Sigma dy$   $\Sigma |dy|$ 

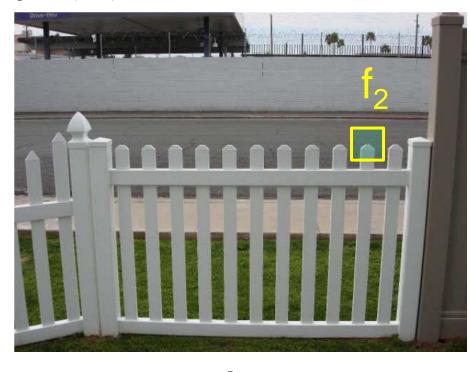
Irregular pattern



How to define the difference between two features  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ?

- Simple approach is SSD(f<sub>1</sub>, f<sub>2</sub>)
  - sum of square differences between entries of the two descriptors
  - can give good scores to very ambiguous (bad) matches

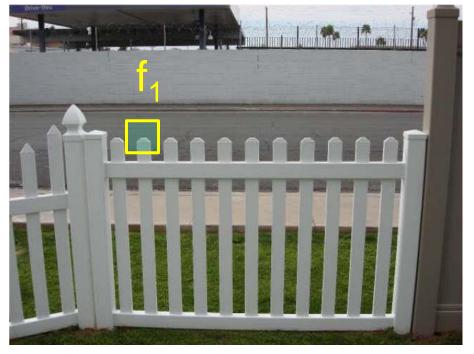


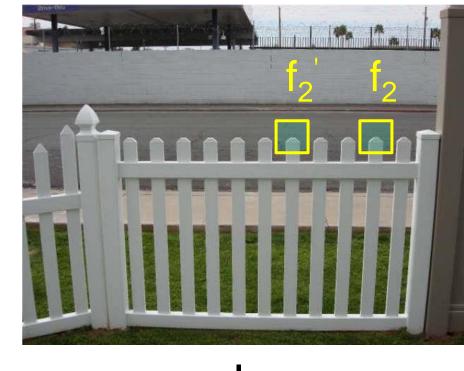


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- Better approach: ratio distance =  $SSD(f_1, f_2) / SSD(f_1, f_2')$ 
  - $f_2$  is best SSD match to  $f_1$  in  $I_2$
  - $f_2'$  is  $2^{nd}$  best SSD match to  $f_1$  in  $I_2$
  - gives small values for ambiguous matches





- Matching? The difference < threshold</li>
- How to evaluate?

Predicted matches
Predicted non-matches

True matches	True matches True non-matches			
TP = 18	FP = 4	P' = 22		
FN = 2	TN = 76	N' = 78		
P = 20	N = 80	Total = 100		

PPV = 0.82

$$TPR = 0.90$$
  $FPR = 0.05$ 

ACC = 0.94

• TP: true positives

• FN: false negatives

• FP: false positives

TN: true negatives

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True positive rate (TPR), recall

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} = \frac{TP}{P}$$

• False positive rate (FPR), false alarm  $FPR = \frac{FP}{FP + TN} = \frac{FP}{N}$ 

$$FPR = \frac{FP}{FP + TN} = \frac{FP}{N}$$

Positive predictive value (PPV), precision

$$PPV = \frac{TP}{TP + FP} = \frac{TP}{P'}$$

• Accuracy (ACC) 
$$ACC = \frac{TP + TN}{P + N}$$

 $TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$ 

True positive rate (TPR)

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How to evaluate?

False positive rate (FPR)

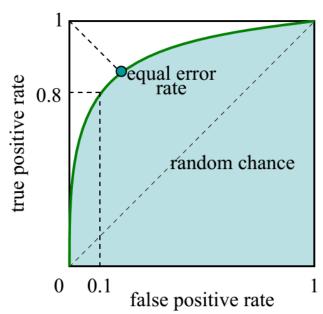
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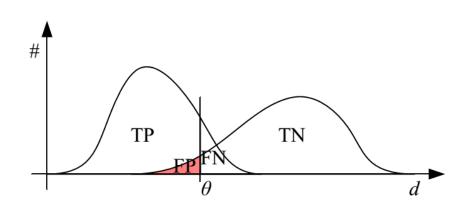
$$PPV = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

Accuracy (ACC)

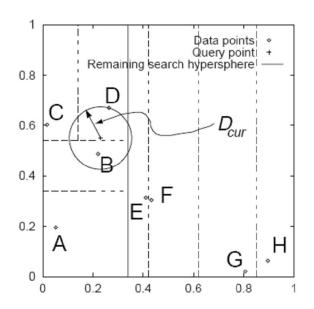
**ROC curve (Receiver Operating Characteristic)** 

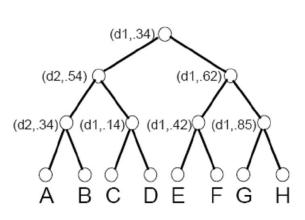
$$ACC = \frac{TP + TN}{P + N}$$





- Efficient matching
  - Full search
  - Indexing structure
  - Multi-dimensional hashing
  - Locality sensitive hashing (LSH)
  - K-d tree





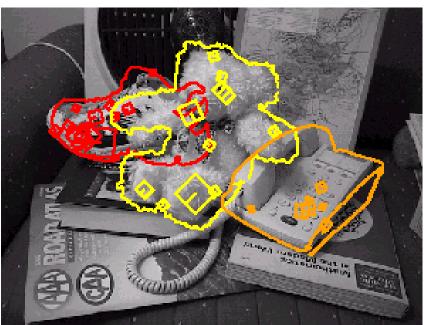
#### **Applications**

#### Features are used for:

- Image alignment (e.g., mosaics)
- 3D reconstruction
- Motion tracking
- Object recognition
- Indexing and database retrieval
- Robot navigation
- ... other

# Object Recognition (David Lowe)





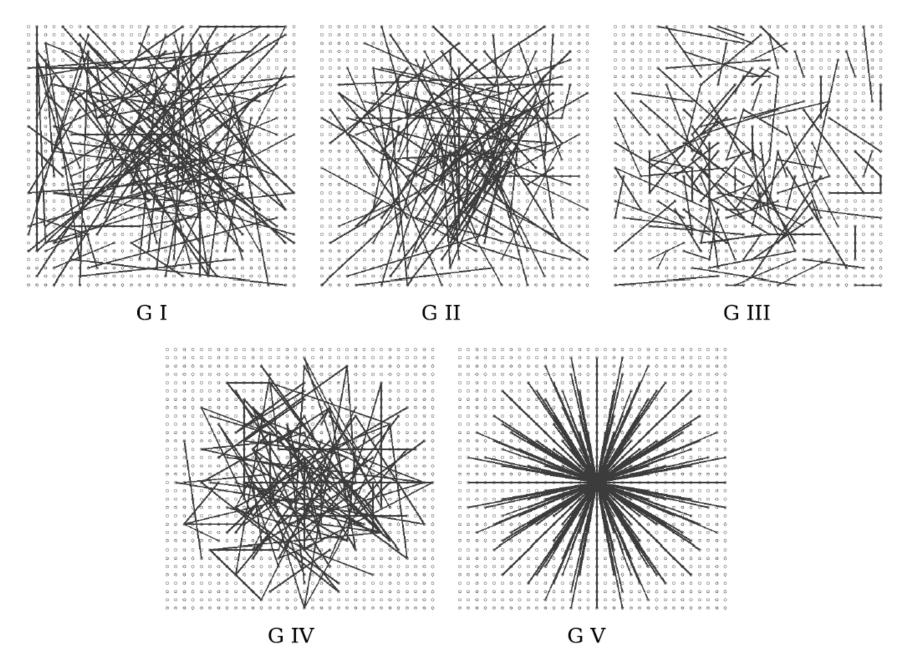
### BRIEF (ECCV 2010)

• We define test  $\tau$  on patch  $\mathbf{p}$  of size  $S \times S$  as

$$\tau(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}) < \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{y}) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

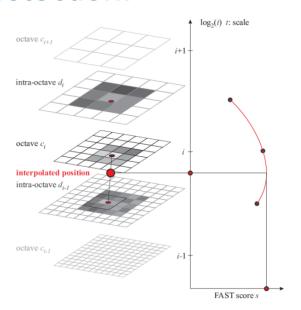
- where  $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x})$  is the pixel intensity in a smoothed version of  $\mathbf{p}$  at  $\mathbf{x} = (u, v) \top$ .
- Choosing a set of  $n_d$  (x,y)-location pairs uniquely defines a set of binary tests.
  - We take our BRIEF descriptor to be the  $n_d$ -dimensional bitstring

$$f_{n_d}(\mathbf{p}) := \sum_{1 \le i \le n_d} 2^{i-1} \ \tau(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i)$$

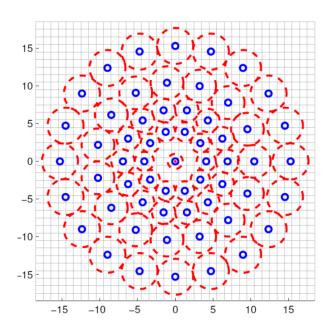


# BRISK (ICCV2011)

Scale-space keypoint detection:



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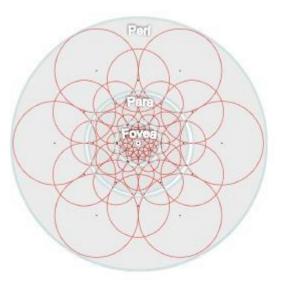


$$b = \begin{cases} 1, & I(\mathbf{p}_{j}^{\alpha}, \sigma_{j}) > I(\mathbf{p}_{i}^{\alpha}, \sigma_{i}) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$\forall (\mathbf{p}_{i}^{\alpha}, \mathbf{p}_{j}^{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{S}$$

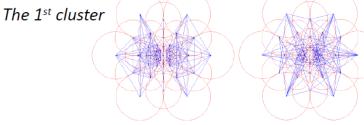
## FREAK (CVPR 2012)

- Retinal sampling pattern
- Coarse-to-fine descriptor

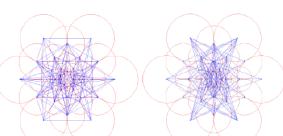
$$F = \sum_{0 \le a < N} 2^a T(P_a) \qquad T(P_a) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1 & \text{if } (I(P_a^{r_1}) - I(P_a^{r_2}) > 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{array} \right.$$



- How to select pairs?
  - Learn the best pairs from training data

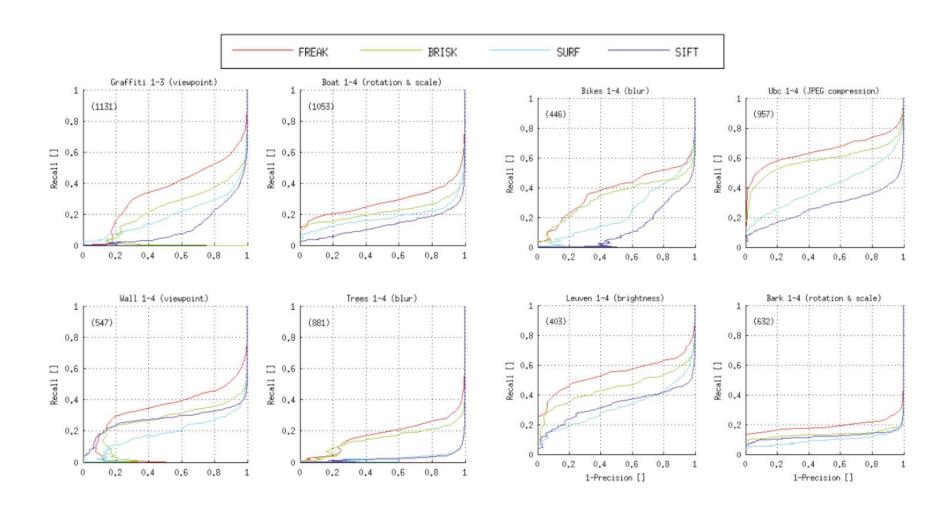


4 clusters 128 pairs per group



The last cluster

# FREAK (CVPR 2012)



# ORB: An efficient alternative to SIFT or SURF

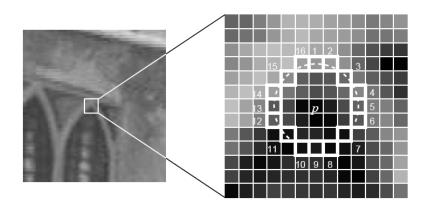
ORB = oFAST + rBRIEF

- oFAST: FAST Keypoint Orientation
- rBRIEF: Rotation-Aware Brief

E. Rublee, V. Rabaud, K. Konolige and G. Bradski, "ORB: An efficient alternative to SIFT or SURF," in *Proc. 2011 International Conference on Computer Vision*, Barcelona, 2011.

#### FAST<sup>1</sup>

- Features from Accelerated Segment Test.
  - The segment test criterion operates by considering a circle of sixteen pixels around the corner candidate p.
  - The original detector classifies p as a corner if there exists a set
    of n contiguous pixels in the circle which are all brighter than
    the intensity of the candidate pixel I<sub>p</sub> + t, or all darker than I<sub>p</sub> t.



#### Orientation by Intensity Centroid

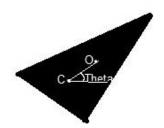
Moments of a patch

$$m_{pq} = \sum_{x,y} x^p y^q I(x,y)$$

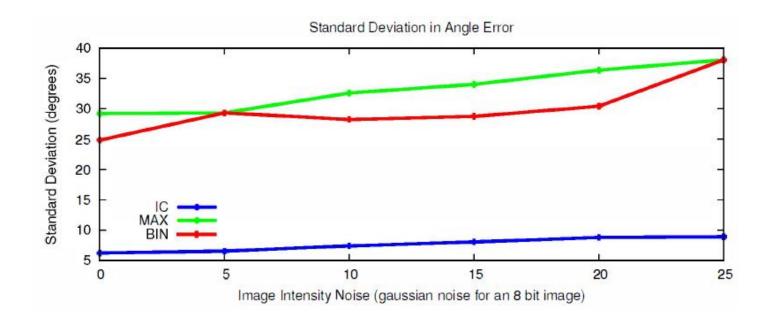
with these moments we may find the centroid

$$C = \left(\frac{m_{10}}{m_{00}}, \frac{m_{01}}{m_{00}}\right)$$

• We can construct a vector from the corner's center, O, to the centroid,  $\overrightarrow{OC}$ .



#### **Rotation Measure**



- IC: intensity centroid
- MAX chooses the largest gradient in the keypoint patch
- BIN forms a histogram of gradient directions at 10 degree intervals, and picks the maximum bin.

#### Steered BRIEF

Steer BRIEF according to the orientation of keypoints.

$$\mathbf{S} = egin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n \ \mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

• Using the patch orientation  $\theta$  and the corresponding rotation matrix  $R_{\theta}$ , we construct a "steered" version  $S_{\theta}$  of S:

$$\mathbf{S}_{ heta} = \mathbf{R}_{ heta} \mathbf{S}$$

Now the steered BRIEF operator becomes

$$g_n(\mathbf{p}, \theta) := f_n(\mathbf{p}) | (\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i) \in \mathbf{S}_{\theta}$$

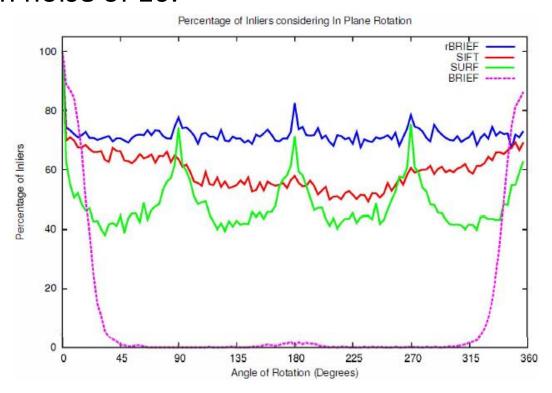
#### Learning Good Binary Features

#### • The algorithm is:

- 1. Run each test against all training patches.
- 2. Order the tests by their distance from a mean of 0.5, forming the vector T.
- 3. Greedy search:
  - (a) Put the first test into the result vector R and remove it from T.
  - (b) Take the next test from T, and compare it against all tests in R. If its absolute correlation is greater than a threshold, discard it; else add it to R.
  - (c) Repeat the previous step until there are 256 tests in R. If there are fewer than 256, raise the threshold and try again.

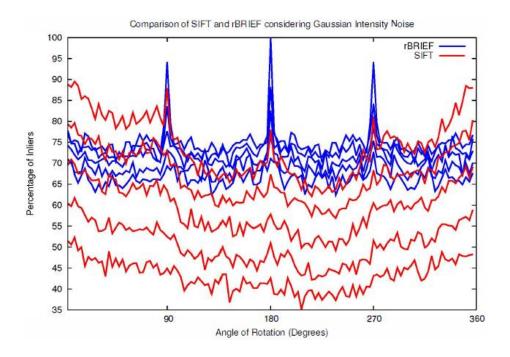
#### Results (1/3)

 Matching performance of SIFT, SURF, BRIEF with FAST, and ORB (oFAST +rBRIEF) under synthetic rotations with Gaussian noise of 10.



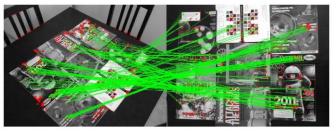
#### Results (2/3)

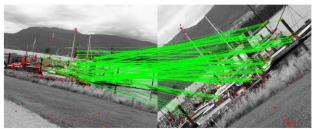
 Matching behavior under noise for SIFT and rBRIEF. The noise levels are 0, 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25. SIFT performance degrades rapidly, while rBRIEF is relatively unaffected.



## Results (3/3)

• Test on real-world images:









	inlier %	N points
Magazines		
ORB	36.180	548.50
SURF	38.305	513.55
SIFT	34.010	584.15
Boat		
ORB	45.8	789
SURF	28.6	795
SIFT	30.2	714

#### **Computation Time**

• The ORB system breaks down into the following times per typical frame of size 640x480.

Intel i7 2.8 GHz

ORB:	Pyramid	oFAST	rBRIEF
Time (ms)	4.43	8.68	2.12

Detector	ORB	SURF	SIFT
Time per frame (ms)	15.3	217.3	5228.7

Pascal 2009 dataset 2686 images at 5 scales

#### OpenCV 2.4.9

#### Detector

- "FAST" FastFeatureDetector
- "STAR" StarFeatureDetector
- "SIFT" SIFT (nonfree module)
- "SURF" SURF (nonfree module)
- "ORB" ORB
- "BRISK" BRISK
- "MSER" MSER
- "GFTT" GoodFeaturesToTrackDetector
- "HARRIS" GoodFeaturesToTrackDetector with Harris detector enabled
- "Dense" DenseFeatureDetector
- "SimpleBlob" SimpleBlobDetector

#### OpenCV 2.4.9

- Descriptor
  - "SIFT" SIFT
  - "SURF" SURF
  - "BRIEF" BriefDescriptorExtractor
  - "BRISK" BRISK
  - "ORB" ORB
  - "FREAK" FREAK



# **Edges and Lines**



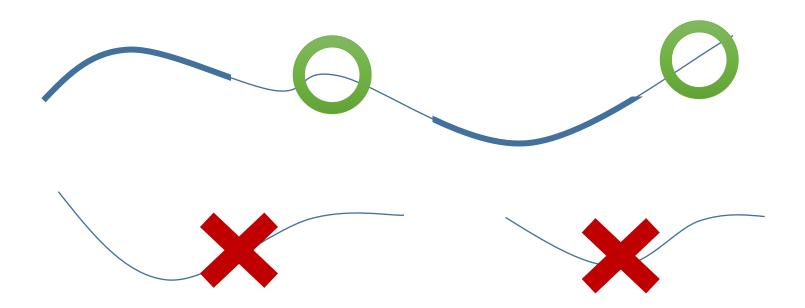
Y. Cao, C. Wang, L. Zhang and L. Zhang, "Edgel index for large-scale sketch-based image search," in *Proc. CVPR 2011*.

### **Edge Detection**

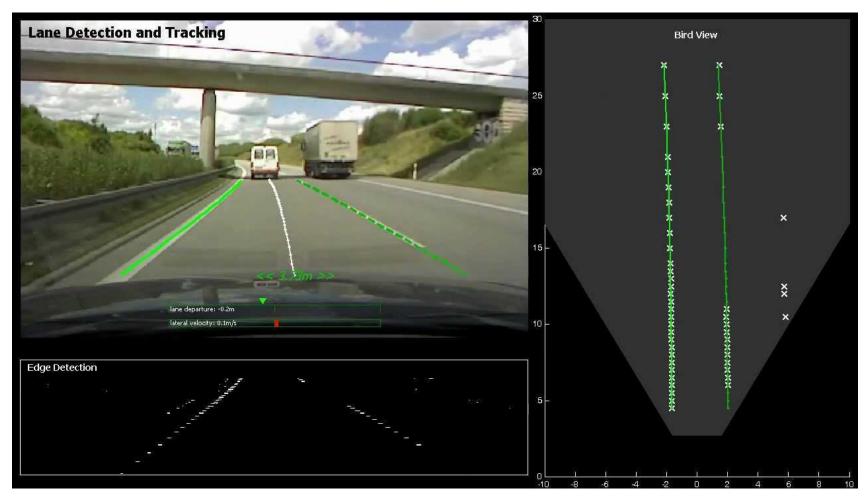
- Canny edge detector
  - The most widely used edge detector
  - The best you can find in existing tools like MATLAB, OpenCV...
- Algorithm:
  - Apply Gaussian filter to reduce noise
  - Find the intensity gradients of the image
  - Apply non-maximum suppression to get rid of false edges
  - Apply double threshold to determine potential edges
  - Track edge by hysteresis: suppressing weak edges that are not connected to strong edges

### Hysteresis

• Find **connected components** from strong edge pixels to finalize edge detection

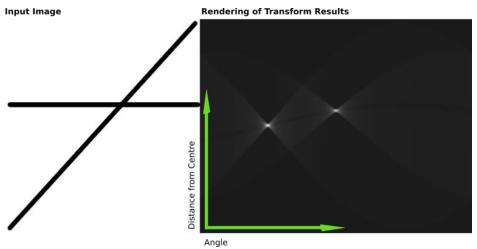


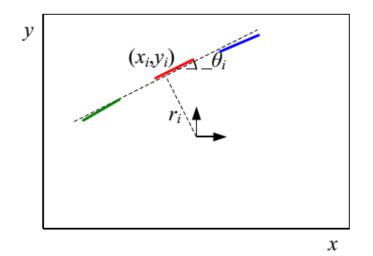
# **Hough Transform**

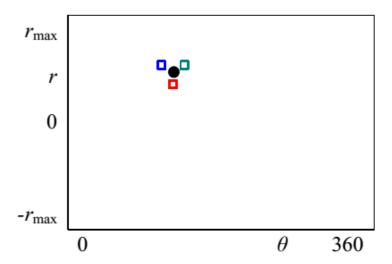


## Hough Transform

- Vote in  $(\theta, r)$  space
  - (Many choices)

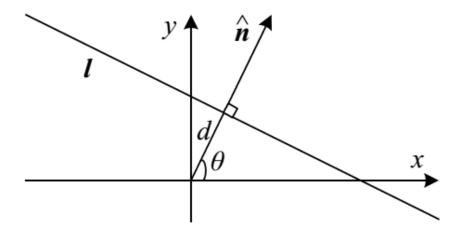






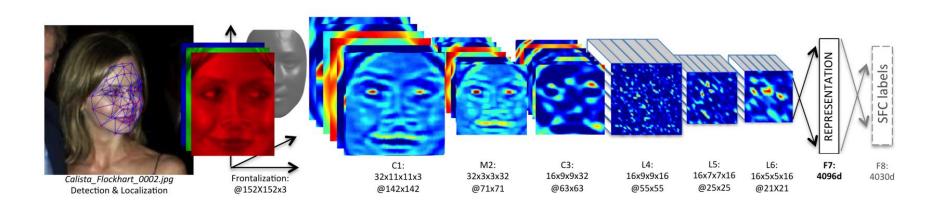
### Hough Transform

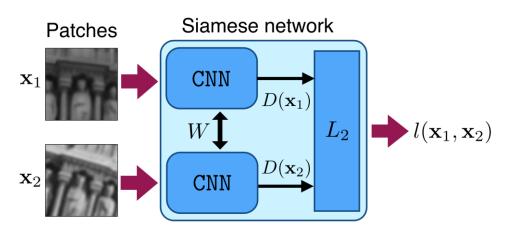
- Clear the accumulator array
- For each detected edgel at location (x,y) and orientation  $\theta = tan^{-1}n_y/n_x$ , compute the value of  $d = xn_x + yn_y$  and increment the accumulator corresponding to  $(\theta,d)$
- Find the peaks in the accumulator corresponding to lines
- Optionally re-fit the lines to the constituent edgels





- Features extracted from Deep Neural Network
  - Ex. Deep Face (CVPR2014)



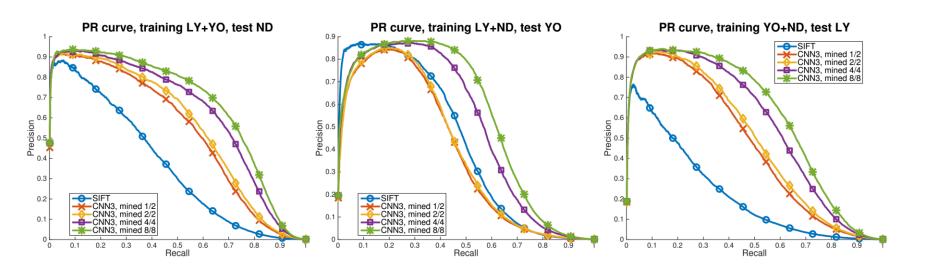


Layer	1	2	3
Input size	64 × 64	29 × 29	8 × 8
Filter size	7 × 7	6 × 6	5 × 5
Output channels	32	64	128
Pooling & Norm.tion	$2 \times 2$	$3 \times 3$	$4 \times 4$
Nonlinearity	Tanh	Tanh	Tanh
Stride	2	3	4

Loss function:

$$l(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \begin{cases} ||D(\mathbf{x}_1) - D(\mathbf{x}_2)||_2, & p_1 = p_2 \\ \max(0, C - ||D(\mathbf{x}_1) - D(\mathbf{x}_2)||_2), & p_1 \neq p_2 \end{cases}$$

E. Simo-Serra, E. Trulls, L. Ferraz, I. Kokkinos, P. Fua, and F. Moreno-Noguer, "Discriminative learning of deep convolutional feature point descriptors," in *Proc. ICCV 2015*.



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# Appendix: MPEG-7 Descriptors

### Introduction

- MPEG-7 is a standard for describing features of multimedia content
- MPEG-7 provides the world's richest set of audiovisual descriptions
- Comprehensive scope of data interoperability
- Based on XML

### Introduction

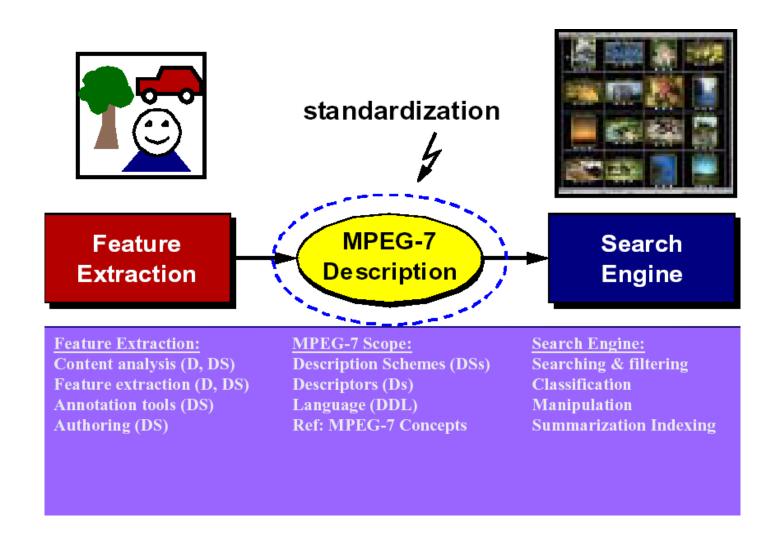
- General visual descriptors
  - Color
  - Texture
  - Shape
  - Motion
- Domain-specific visual descriptors
  - Face recognition descriptors

### What is Standardized?

#### Only define the descriptions

- Not standardize how to produce the descriptions
- Not standardize how to use the descriptions
- Only define what is needed for the interoperability of MPEG-7 enabled systems

### What is Standardized?



### **Color Descriptors**

- Color Space Descriptor
- Dominant Color Descriptor
- Scalable Color Descriptor
- Group of Frames (or Pictures) Descriptor
- Color Structure Descriptor
- Color Layout Descriptor

# Example: Dominant Color Descriptor (1)

- Compact description
- Browsing of image databases based on single or several color values
- Definition:
  - $F = \{(c_i, p_i, v_i), s\}, (i = 1, 2, ..., N) (N < 9)$
  - c: color value vector (default color space: RGB)
  - $p_i$ : percentage (  $\sum_i p_i = 1$
  - v<sub>i</sub>: optional color variance
  - s : spatial coherency

## Dominant Color Descriptor (2)

#### Binary syntax of DCD

Field	Number of Bits	Meaning
NumberofColors	3	Specifies number of dominant colors
SpatialCoherency	5	Spatial Coherency Value
Percentage[]	5	Normalized percentage associated with each dominant color
ColorVariance[][]	1	Color variance of each dominant color
Index[][]	1—12	Dominant color values

### Dominant Color Descriptor (3)

- Extraction:
  - Clustering is performed in a perceptually uniform color space (Lloyd algorithm)
  - Distortion :

$$D_i = \sum_{n} h(n) ||x(n) - c_i||^2, x(n) \in C_i$$
•  $\mathbf{x}(n)_n$ : the color vector at pixel n

- h(n): perceptual weight for pixel n
- c: centroid of cluster Ci

$$c_i = \frac{\sum h(n)x(n)}{\sum h(n)}, x(n) \in C_i$$

### Dominant Color Descriptor (4)

#### Extraction:

- The procedure is initialized with one cluster consisting of all pixels and one representative color computed as the centroid of the cluster
- The algorithm then follows a sequence of centroid calculation and clustering steps until a stopping criterion (minimum distortion or maximum number of iterations)

### Dominant Color Descriptor (5)

#### • Extraction:

- Spatial coherency (s):
  - 4 connectivity connected component analysis
  - Individual spatial coherence: normalized average number of the connected pixels of each dominant color
  - s = (individual spatial coherence);
  - S is no huniformly quantized to 5 bits,
    - 31 means highest confidence
    - 1 means no confidence
    - 0 means not computed

### Dominant Color Descriptor (6)

- Similarity Matching:
  - Number of representative colors is small, one can first search the database for each of the representative color separately, then combine.

### Dominant Color Descriptor (7)

- Similarity Matching:
  - Consider 2 DCDs:

$$F_1 = \{(\mathbf{c}_{1i}, p_{1i}, v_{1i}), s_1\}, \quad (i = 1, 2, ..., N_1) \text{ and}$$

$$F_2 = \{(\mathbf{c}_{2i}, p_{2i}, v_{2i}), s_2\}, \quad (i = 1, 2, ..., N_2).$$

• Dissimilarity (D):

$$D^{2}(F_{1}, F_{2}) = \sum_{l=1}^{N_{1}} p_{1i}^{2} + \sum_{l=1}^{N_{2}} p_{2j}^{2} - \sum_{l=1}^{N_{1}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{2}} 2a_{1i,2j}p_{1i}p_{2j}$$

$$a_{k,l} = \begin{cases} 1 - d_{k,l}/d_{\max} & d_{k,l} \leq T_{d} \\ 0 & d_{k,l} > T_{d} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{d}_{k,l} : \quad d_{k,l} = \|c_{k} - c_{l}\| \text{ is the Euclidean distance between two colors}$$

$$d_{\max} = \alpha T_{d}$$

### Dominant Color Descriptor (8)

- Similarity Matching:
  - Dissimilarity (Ds):

$$D_S = w_1 abs(s_1 - s_2)D + w_2D$$
  
w<sub>1</sub> = 0.3, w<sub>2</sub> = 0.7 (recommanded)

Dissimilarity (D<sub>v</sub>):

and

$$D_{V} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{1}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{2}} p_{1i} p_{1j} f_{1i-1j} + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{1}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{2}} p_{2i} p_{2j} f_{2i-2j} - \sum_{i=1}^{N_{1}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{2}} 2 p_{1i} p_{2j} f_{1i-2j}$$
where 
$$f_{x_{i}-y_{j}} = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(l)} v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)} v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)} v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)} v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)} v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)} v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)}} \times \exp \left[ -\left( \frac{c_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(l)} v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(l)} + \frac{c_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)}}{v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)}} + \frac{c_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)}}{v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(u)}} \right) \right/ 2 \right]$$
and 
$$c_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(l)} = (c_{x_{i}}^{(l)} - c_{y_{i}}^{(l)})^{2}, v_{x_{i}-y_{j}}^{(l)} = (v_{x_{i}}^{(l)} + v_{y_{j}}^{(l)})$$

## Dominant Color Descriptor (9)

Similarity Matching Results:

**Table 13.3** ANMRR results for dominant color

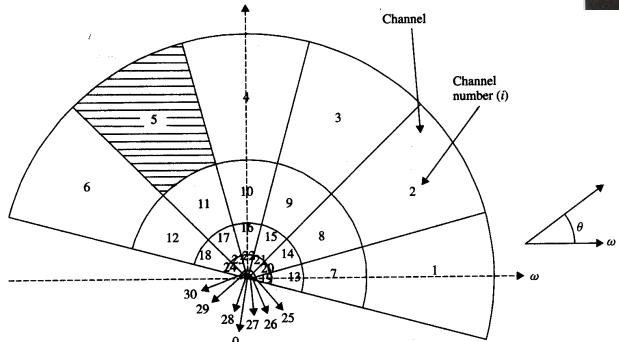
Average number of colors	ANMRR(D)	$ANMRR(D_S)$	$ANMRR(D_V)$
3	0.31	0.30	0.25
5	0.25	0.21	0.16

### **Texture Descriptors**

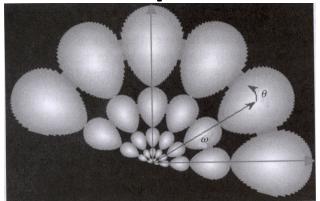
- Homogeneous Texture Descriptor (HTD)
- Texture Browsing Descriptor (TBD)
- Edge Histogram Descriptor (EHD)

### Homogeneous Texture Descriptor

$$HTD = [f_{DC}, f_{SD}, e_1, e_2, ..., e_{30}, d_1, d_2, ...d_{30}]$$
 62 numbers (496 bits)



Channels used in computing the HTD



Texture feature channels modeled using the Gabor functions in the polar frequency domain

### **HTD Extraction**

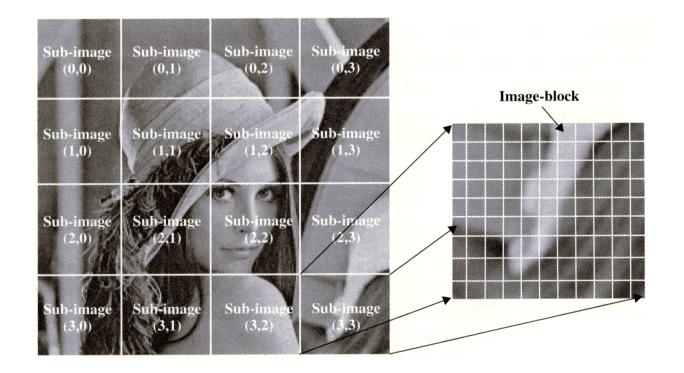
$$HTD = [f_{DC}, f_{SD}, e_1, e_2, ..., e_{30}, d_1, d_2, ...d_{30}]$$

- On the basis of the frequency layout and the Gabor functions:
- e<sub>i</sub>: log-scaled sum of the square of the Gaborfiltered Fourier transform coefficients of an image:

$$e_i = \log_{10}[1 + p_i]$$
where  $p_i = \sum_{\omega=0^+\theta=(0^\circ)^+}^{1} \left[ G_{s,r}(\omega,\theta) |\omega| P(\omega,\theta) \right]^2$ 

### Edge Histogram Descriptor

- Divide the image into 4x4 subimages
- Block-based edge extraction



# Semantics of the Histogram bins of the EHD

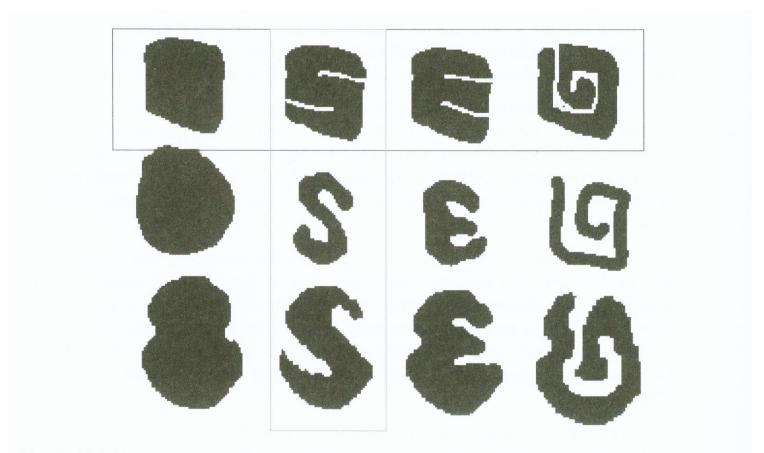
• 5 edge type x 16 subimages = 80 histogram bins

$H_{E}$	Semantics
h(0)	Relative population of vertical edges in subimage at (0,0)
h(1)	Relative population of horizontal edges in subimage at (0,0)
h(2)	Relative population of 45° edges in subimage at (0,0)
h(3)	Relative population of 135° edge in subimage at (0,0)
h(4)	Relative population of nondirectional edges in subimage at (0,0)
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h(75)	Relative population of vertical edges in subimage at (3,3)
h(76)	Relative population of horizontal edges in subimage at (3,3)
h(77)	Relative population of 45° edges in subimage at (3,3)
h(78)	Relative population of 135° edges in subimage at (3,3)
h(79)	Relative population of nondirectional edges in subimage at (3,3)

### **Shape Descriptors**

- Region-based descriptor
- Contour-based descriptor
- 3-D Shape Descriptor

### Region v.s Contour (1/2)



**Figure 15.1** Example of contour-based and region-based region similarity (© 2001 IEEE, from M. Bober; MPEG-7 Visual Descriptors, IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology, Vol. 11, No. 6, June 2001)

## Region v.s Contour (2/2)



Figure 15.2 Example of shapes in which region-based shape is applicable

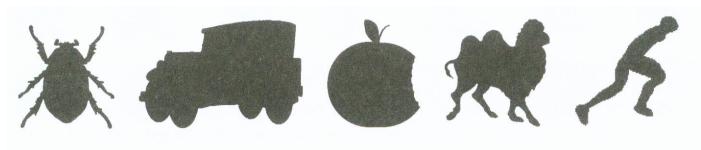


Figure 15.3 Examples of shapes in which contour-based shape is applicable

### Goal of SDs

- Fast search and browsing
  - Concise manner
- Robust to
  - Scaling
  - Translation
  - Rotation

### Region-based descriptor

- Take all pixels into account
- Project the shape onto the 2-D domain by using ART

### **Angular Radial Transform**

$$F_{nm} = \langle V_{nm} (\rho, \theta), f (\rho, \theta) \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 V_{nm}^* (\rho, \theta) f (\rho, \theta) \rho d\rho d\theta$$

$$V_{nm}(\rho,\theta) = A_m(\theta)R_n(\rho)$$

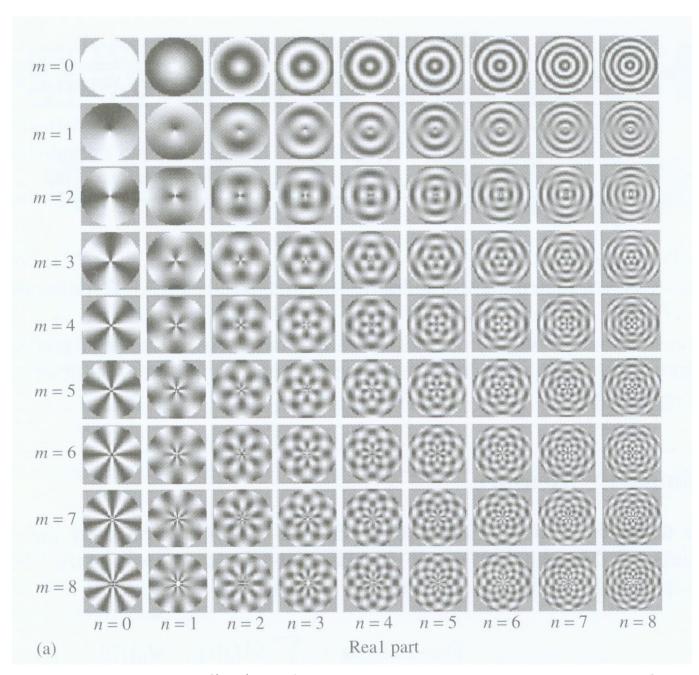
$$A_m(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \exp(jm\theta)$$

$$R_n(\rho) = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 2\cos(\pi n\rho) & n \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

F: image function

V: ART basis

Define on unit circle in polar system



ART basis Real part



**ART** basis

Imaginary part

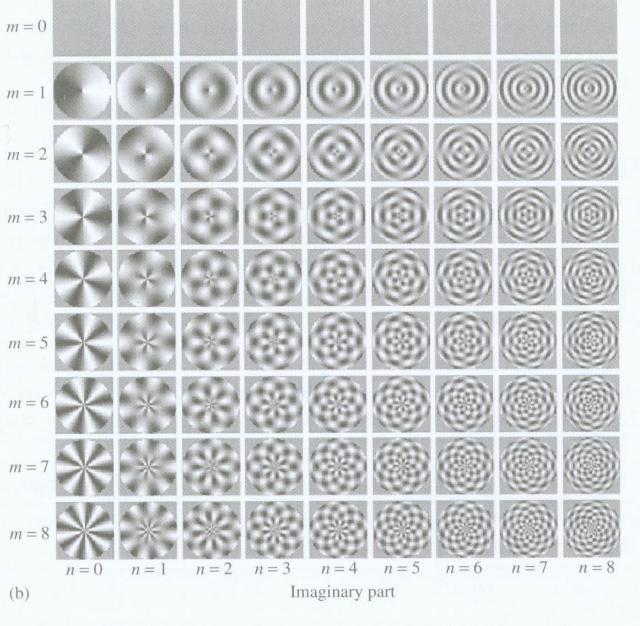


Figure 15.10 Real and imaginary parts of ART basis functions

### **Descriptor Representation**

Table 15.1 Representation of the region-SD				
Field	Number of bits	Meaning		
Magnitude of ART[k]	4	An array of 35 normalized and quantized magnitudes of the shape coefficients.		

Angular (m):0~11

Radial (n) :0~2

Normalize by  $F_{00}$ :

 $F_{nm}/F_{00}$   $n=0^2,m=0^11$ 

### Contour-based descriptor

- Take only border pixels into account
- CSS representation

### **CSS** Representation

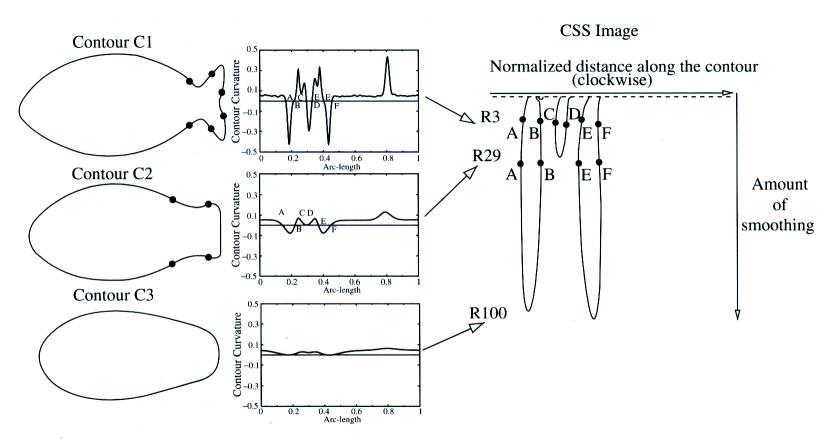


Figure 15.13 Extraction of the CSS image for the fish contour of Figure 15.12

### **Descriptor Representation**

- Number of Peaks [6 bits]
- Global Curvature [2\*6 bits]
- Prototype Curvature [2\*6 bits]
- Highest Peak Y [7 bits]
- Peak X [6 bits]
- Peak Y [3 bits]

### **Motion Descriptors**

- Motion Activity Descriptor
- Camera Motion Descriptor
- Motion Trajectory Descriptor
- Parametric Motion Descriptor