

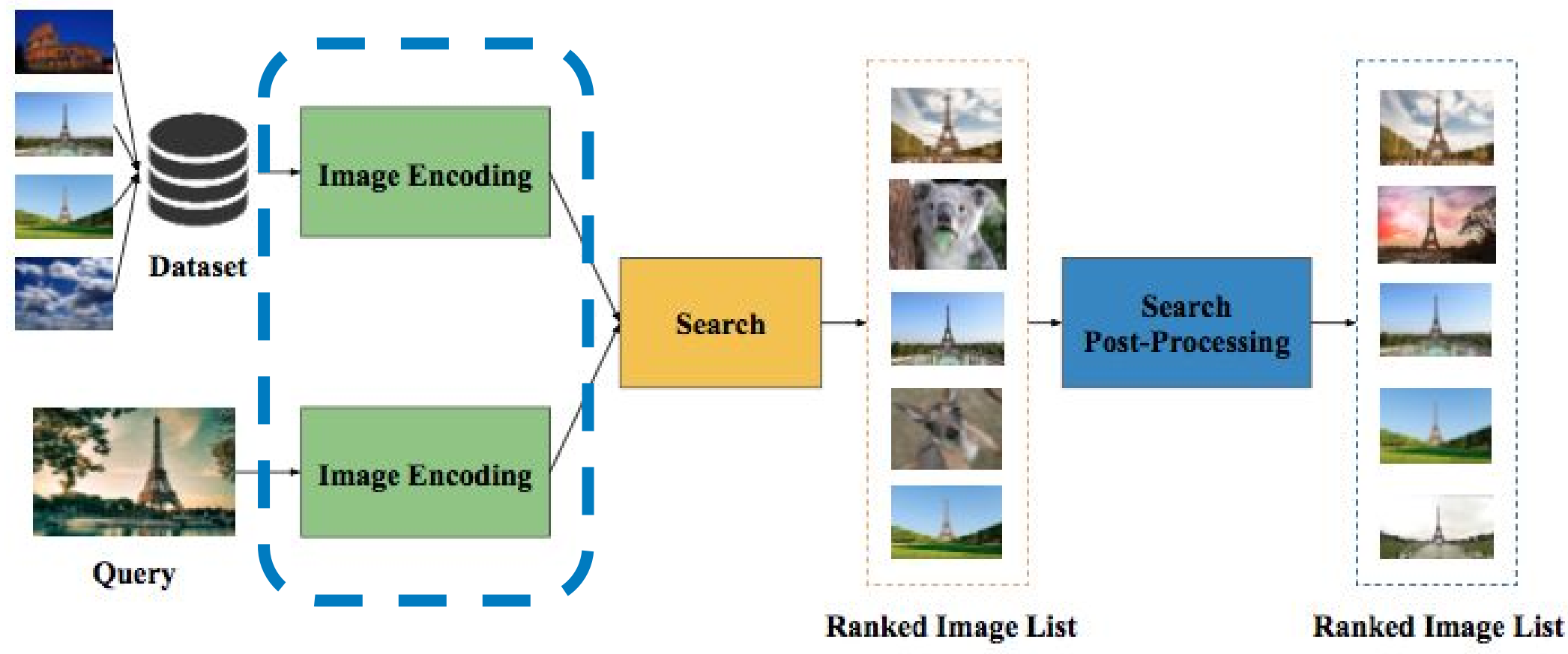
Class-Weighted Convolutional Features for Image Retrieval

Motivation

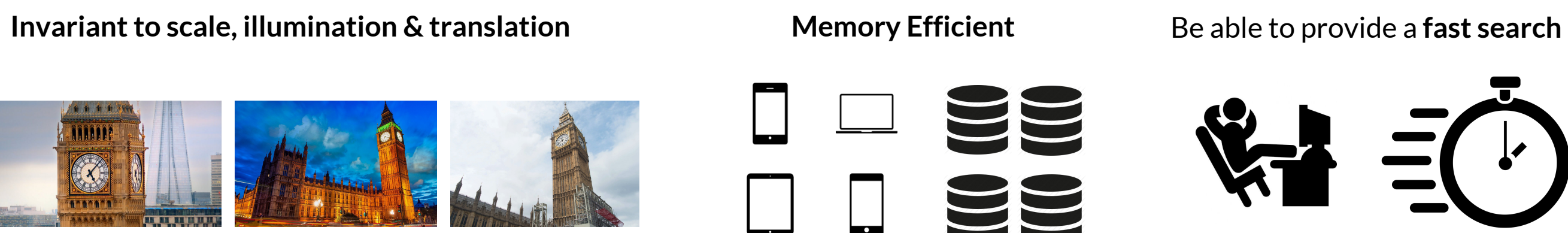
Search by Visual Similarity on Large Scale Databases.



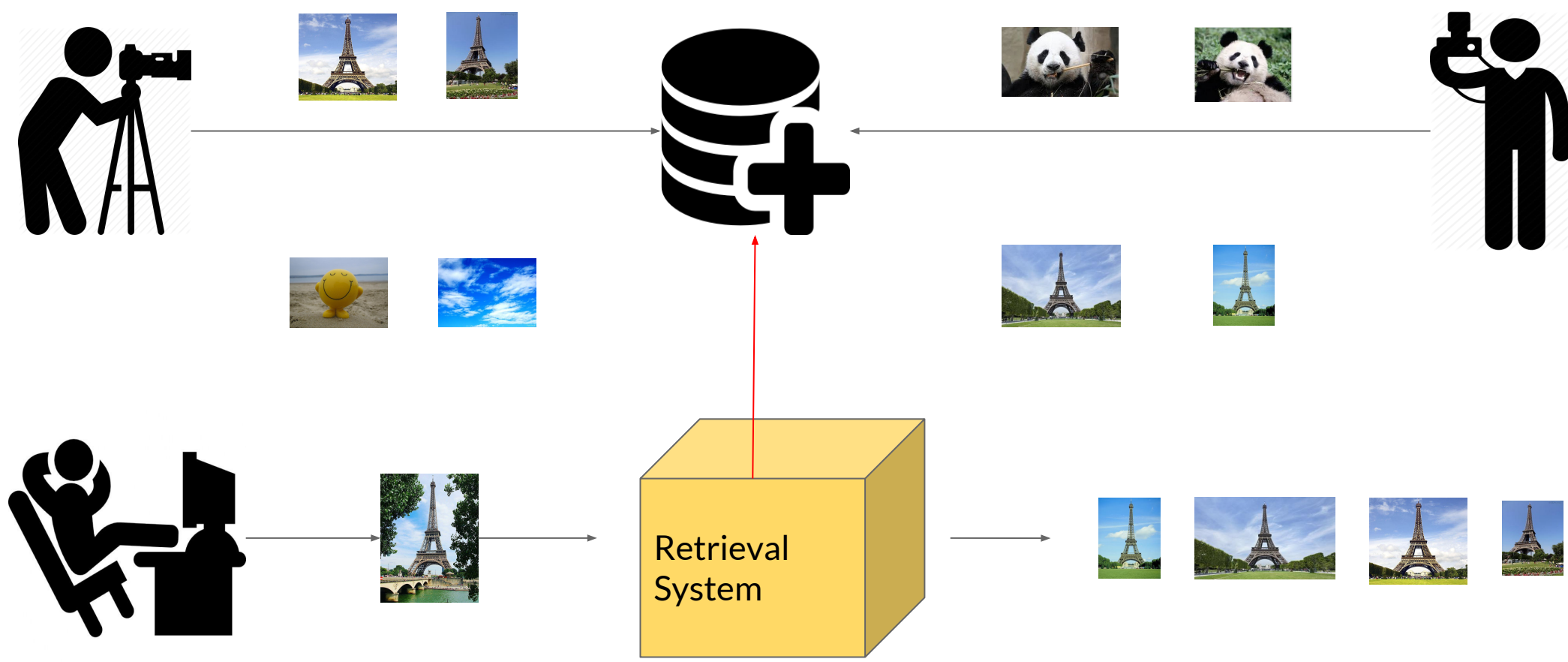
General Pipeline



Desired Properties for Image Encoding

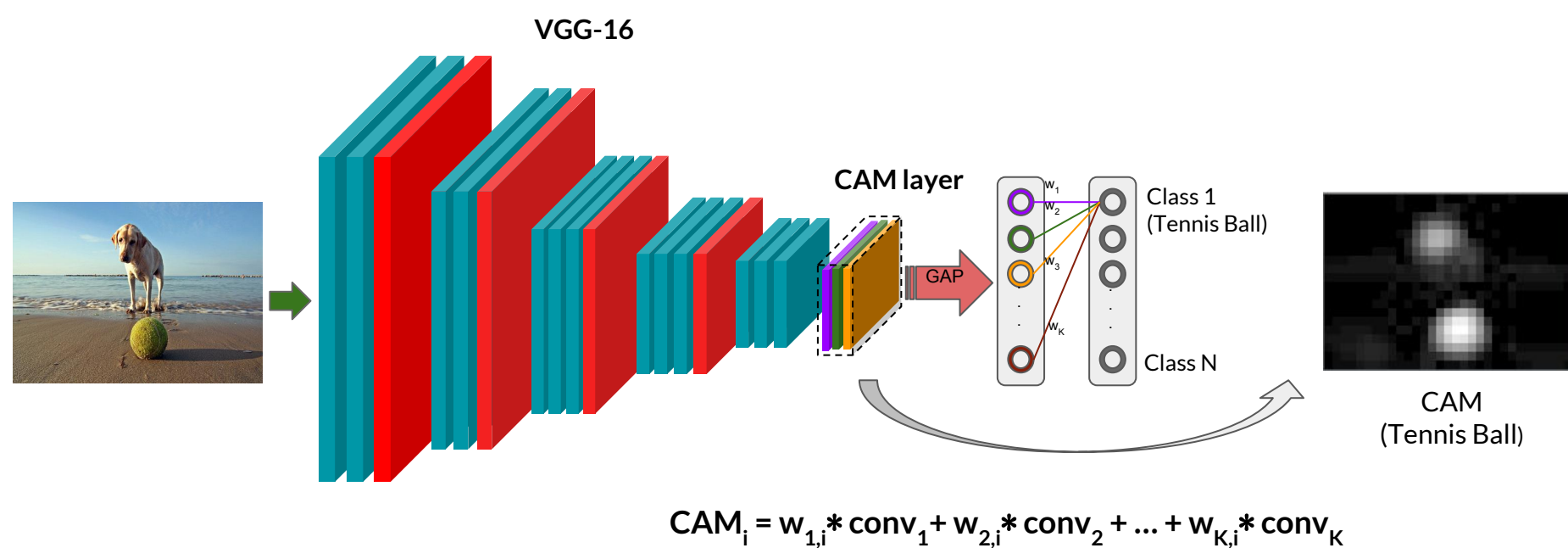


Challenge in Retrieval: Dynamic Datasets of Unlabeled Images



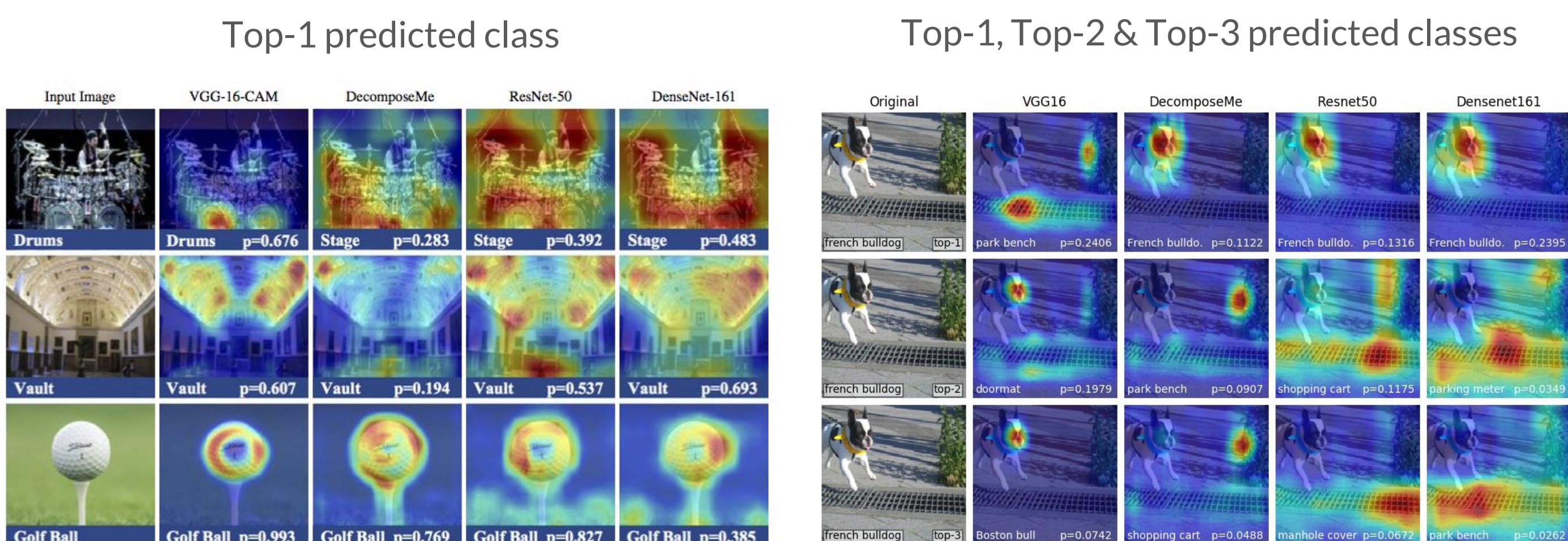
From Classification to Retrieval

Class Activation Maps (CAMs) [1] weight the Convolutional Features according to the predicted semantic classes.



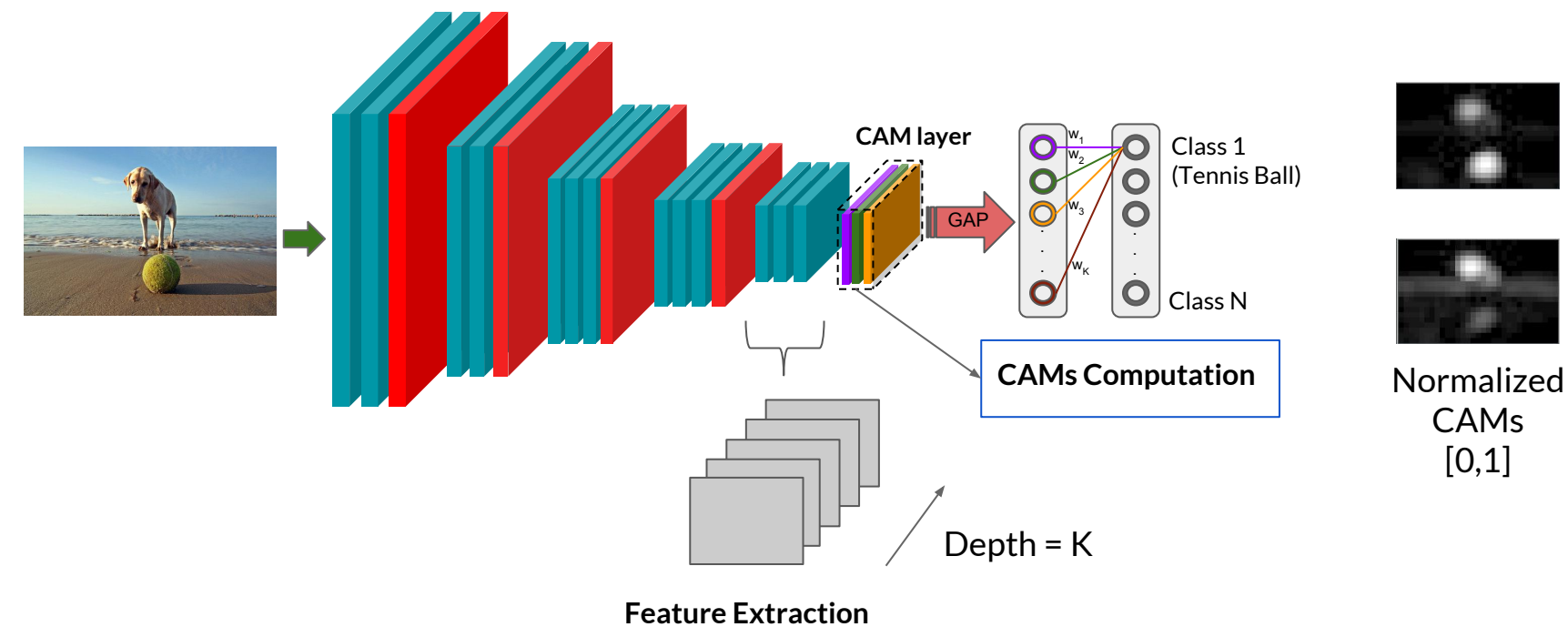
[1] B. Zhou, A. Khosla, Lapedriza, A., A. Oliva, and A. Torralba. Learning Deep Features for Discriminative Localization. CVPR (2016).

We have observed an important variations in the CAMs generated by different CNN architectures.

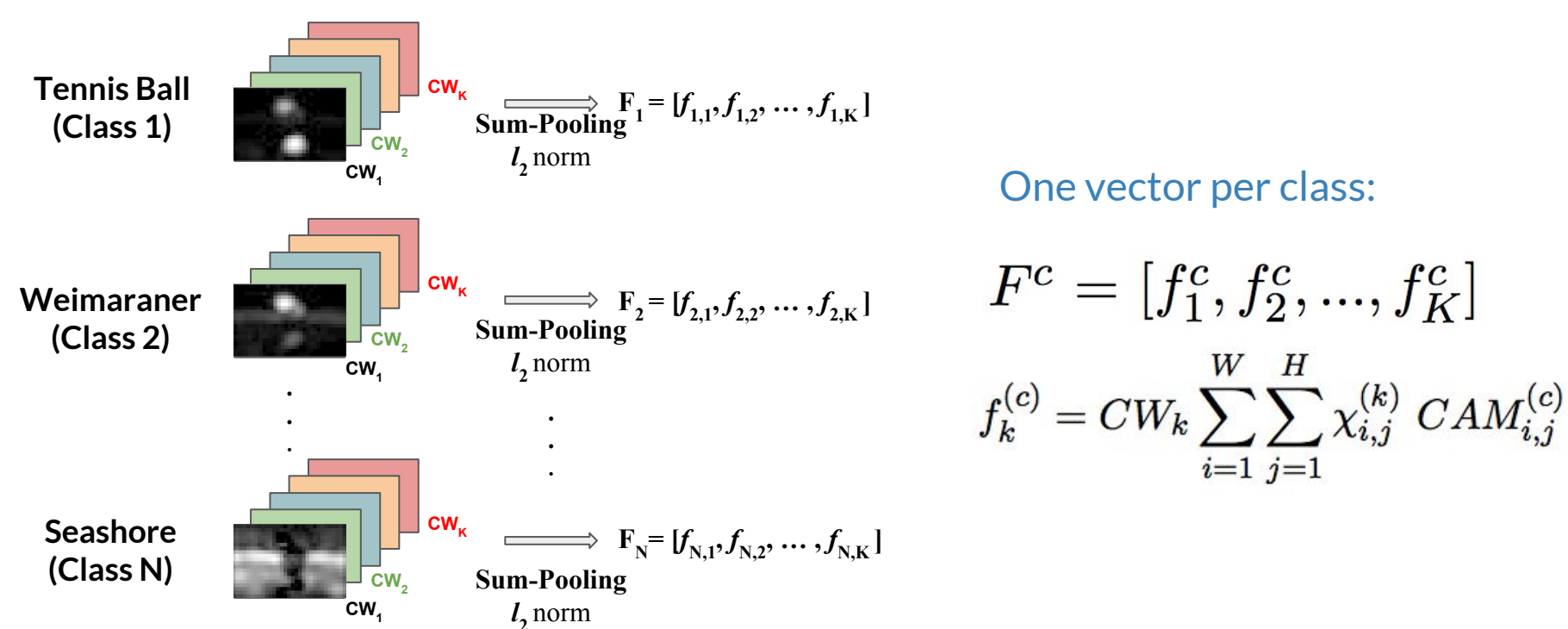


Proposed Image Encoding

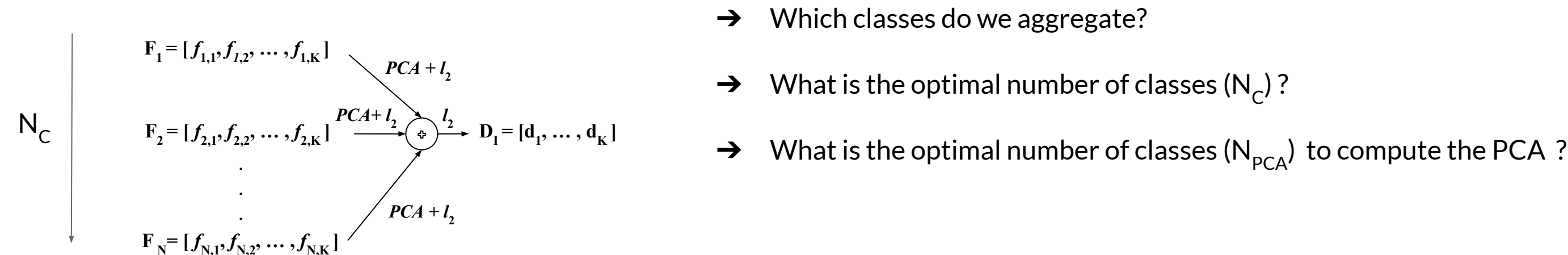
1) Extraction of Convolutional Features & CAMs



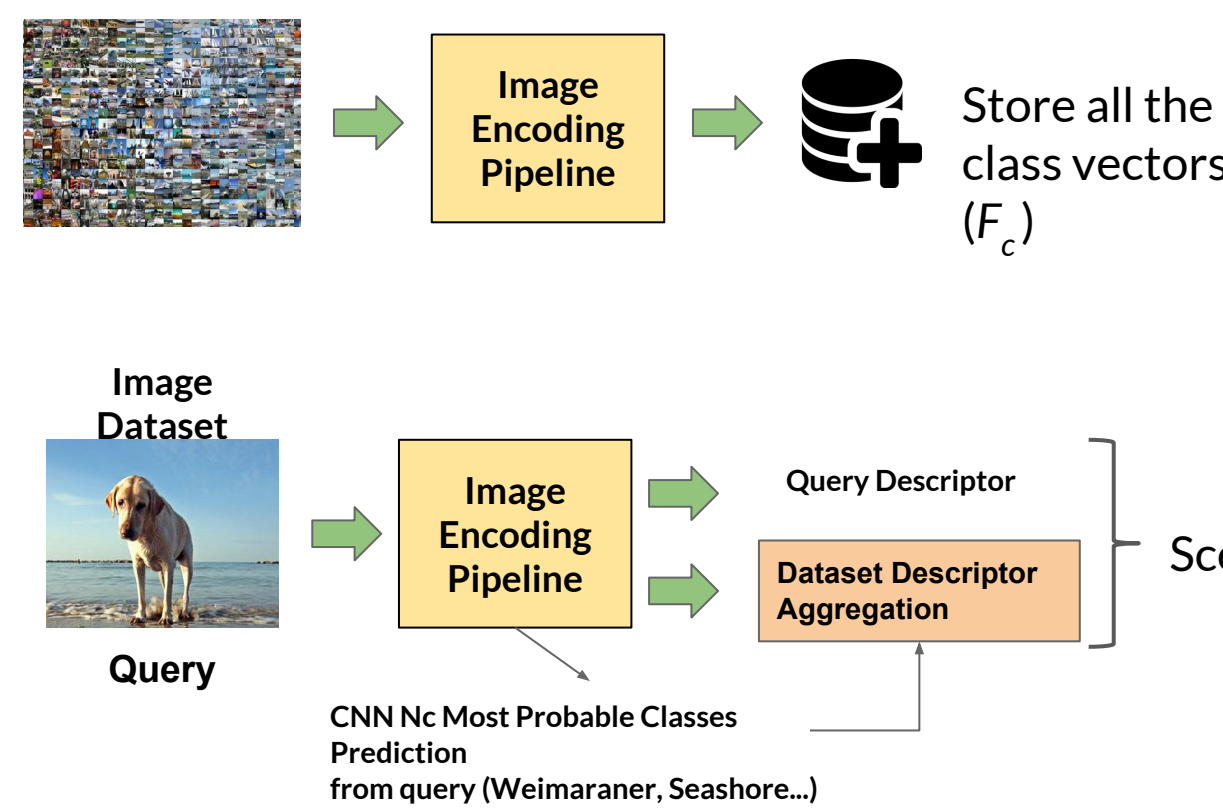
2) Feature Weighting and Pooling



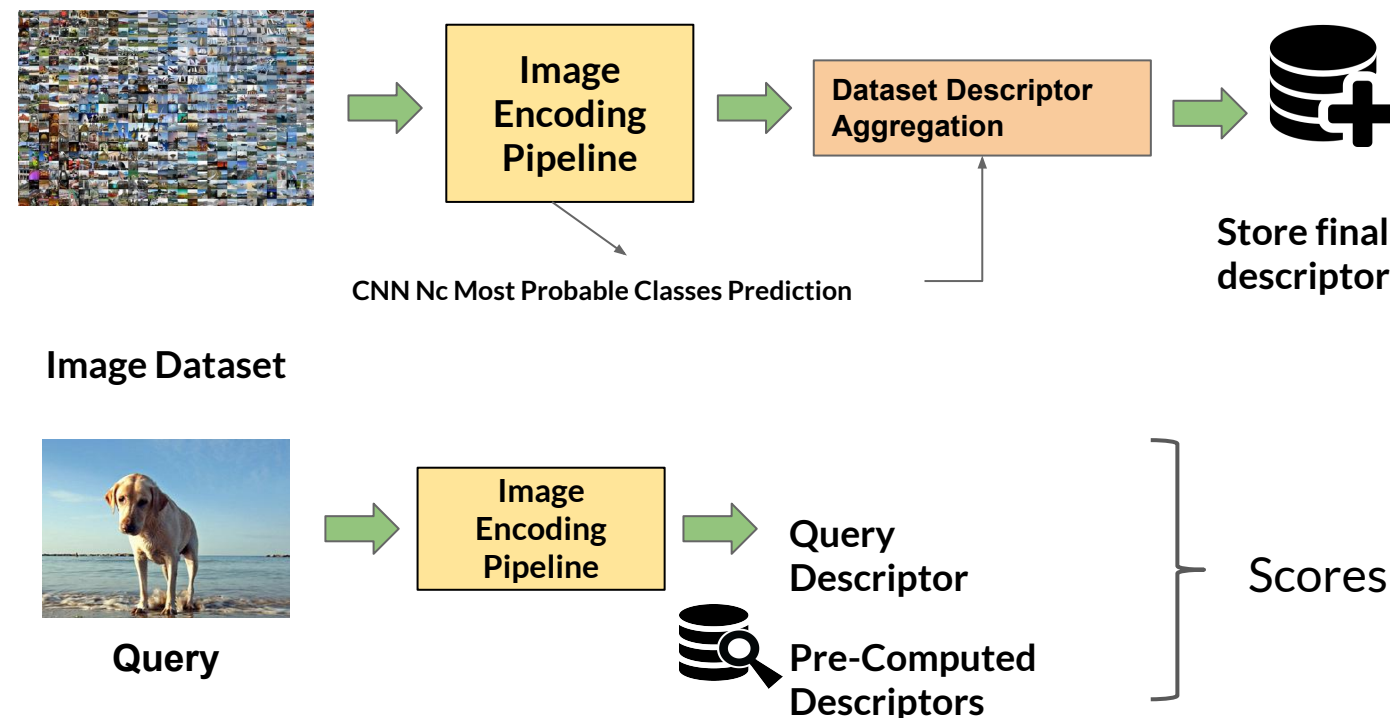
3) Feature Aggregation



Online Aggregation (OnA)



Offline Aggregation (OfA)



4) Region Proposals for Reranking (R) and Query Expansion (QE)

Bounding boxes are fit to the largest connected components of the CAMs after a binarization at different thresholds.

Green - Ground Truth
Orange → Red - Different Thresholds



Experiments

Baseline Results

Descriptor Aggregation	Oxford5k
Raw Features	0.396
Raw + CroW (channel)	0.420
Raw Features + PCA	0.589
Raw + CroW(channel) + PCA	0.607

Computational Burden

Descriptor Aggregation	Time (s)	mAP
Raw + PCA	0.49	0.589
1 CAM	0.5	0.667
8 CAMs	0.6	0.709
32 CAMs	0.9	0.711
64 CAMs	1.5	0.712

Networks Comparison

Network	Oxf5k	Paris6k
VGG-16 (Raw)	0.396	0.526
VGG-16 (64CAMs)	0.712	0.805
Resnet-50 (Raw)	0.389	0.508
Resnet-50 (64CAMs)	0.699	0.804
Densenet-161 (Raw)	0.339	0.495
Densenet-161 (64CAMs)	0.695	0.799

Comparison with the State-of-the-Art for off-the-shelf features

Method	Dim	Oxf5k	Par6k	Oxf105k	Par106k
SPoC[3]	256	0.531	-	0.501	-
uCroW[14]	256	0.666	0.767	0.629	0.695
CroW[14]	512	0.682	0.796	0.632	0.710
R-MAC[31]	512	0.669	0.830	0.616	0.757
BoW[16]	25k	0.738	0.820	0.593	0.648
Razavian[22]	32k	0.843	0.853	-	-
Ours(OnA)	512	0.736	0.855	-	-
Ours(OfA)	512	0.712	0.805	0.672	0.733

Method	Dim	R	QE	Oxf5k	Par6k	Oxf105k	Par106k
CroW	512	-	10	0.722	0.855	0.678	0.797
Ours(OnA)	512	-	10	0.760	0.873	0.712	0.805
Ours(OfA)	512	-	10	0.730	0.836	0.712	0.791
BoW	25k	100	10	0.788	0.848	0.651	0.641
Ours(OnA)	512	100	10	0.780	0.874	-	-
Ours(OfA)	512	100	10	0.773	0.838	0.750	0.780
RMAC	512	1000	5	0.770	0.877	0.726	0.817
Ours(OnA)	512	1000	5	0.811	0.874	-	-
Ours(OfA)	512	1000	5	0.801	0.855	0.769	0.800

$N_c = 64, N_{pca} = 1$

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