

session 2:  
Image Features

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# Image features

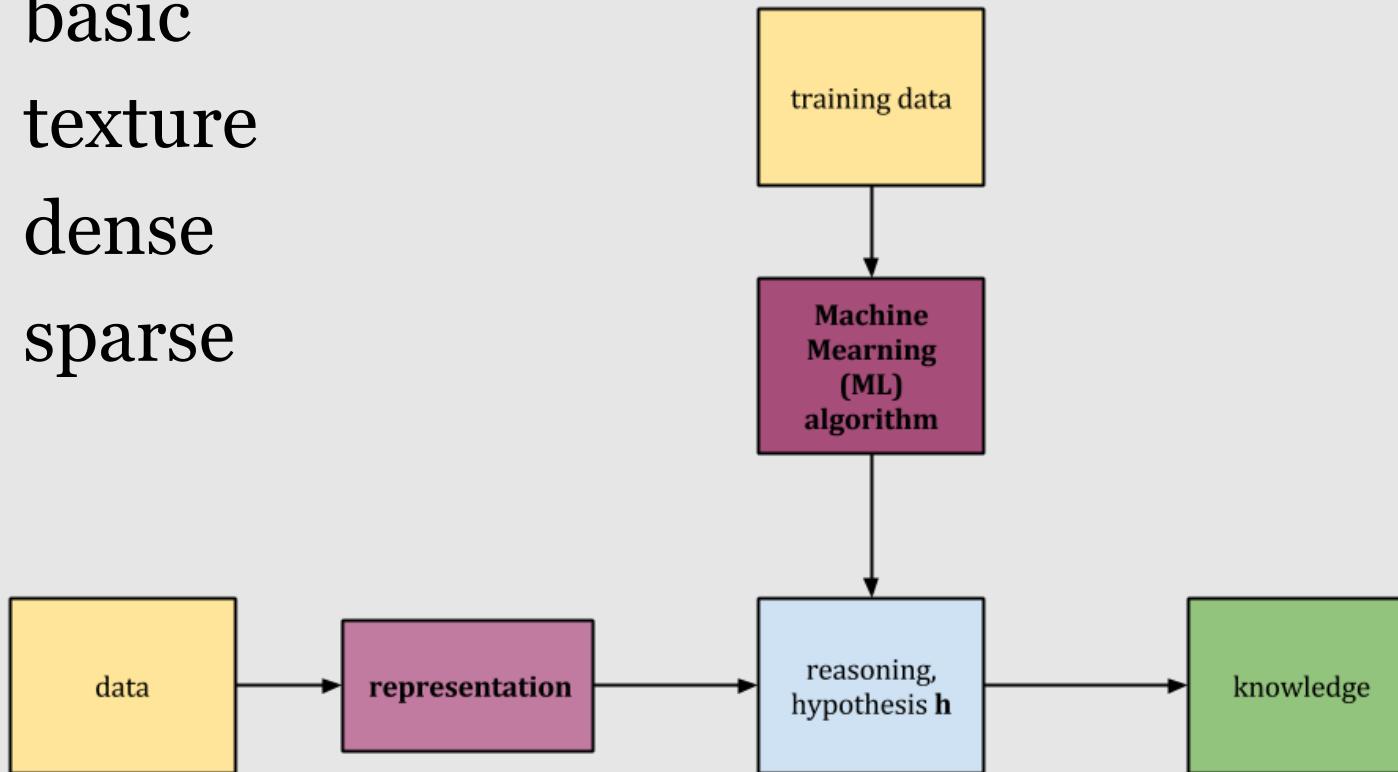
*Variety of ways to represent visual data*

# Learning Objectives

- Appreciate differences between Machine Learning techniques and general Image Processing
- learn algorithms for calculation of dense features (Local binary features, Haralick and HoG)
- understand sparse features: corner detection, scale and orientation invariant description
- understand how to turn sparse features into feature vector using Bag-Of-Visual-Words approach
- appreciate usefulness of features beyond machine learning (texture description and feature matching)

# Types of Image Features

- basic
- texture
- dense
- sparse

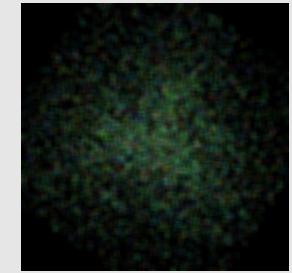
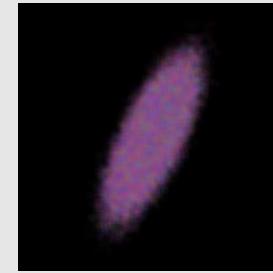
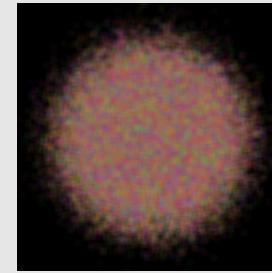
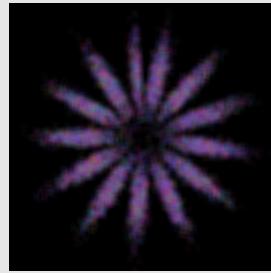
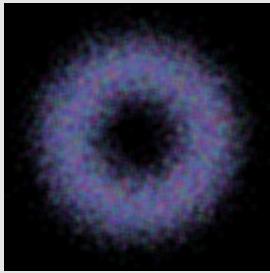


# Machine Learning vs Image Analysis

- Many common uses
- Difference often in amount of “learning by example”
- Image features are technically an area of Image Processing devoted to Machine Learning

# Basic features

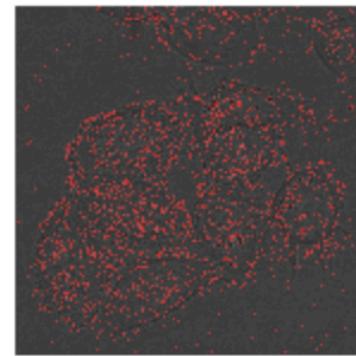
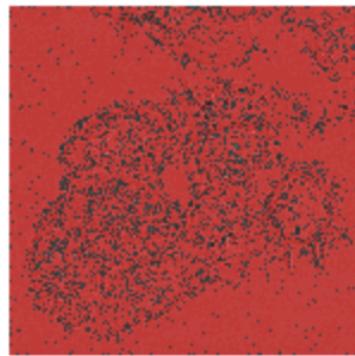
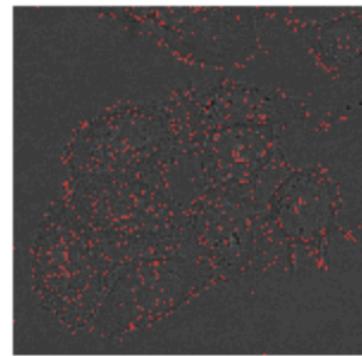
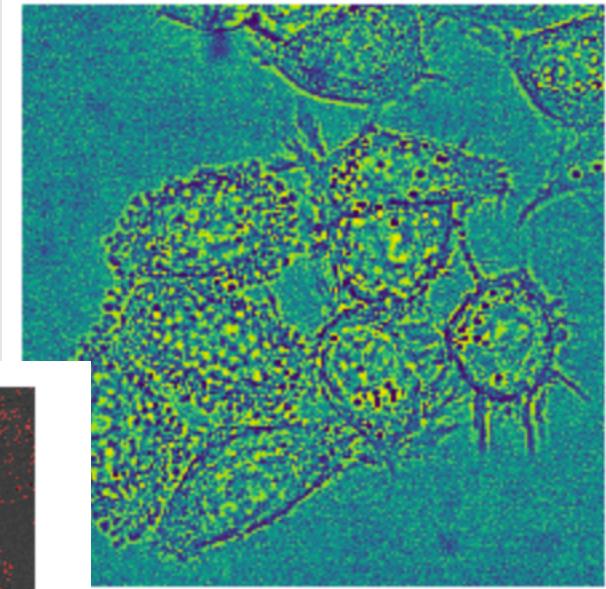
- colour statistics (over whole or part of the image)
- edges and gradients
- corners
- shapes (convolution/autocorrelation)



# Texture features

# Local Binary Features

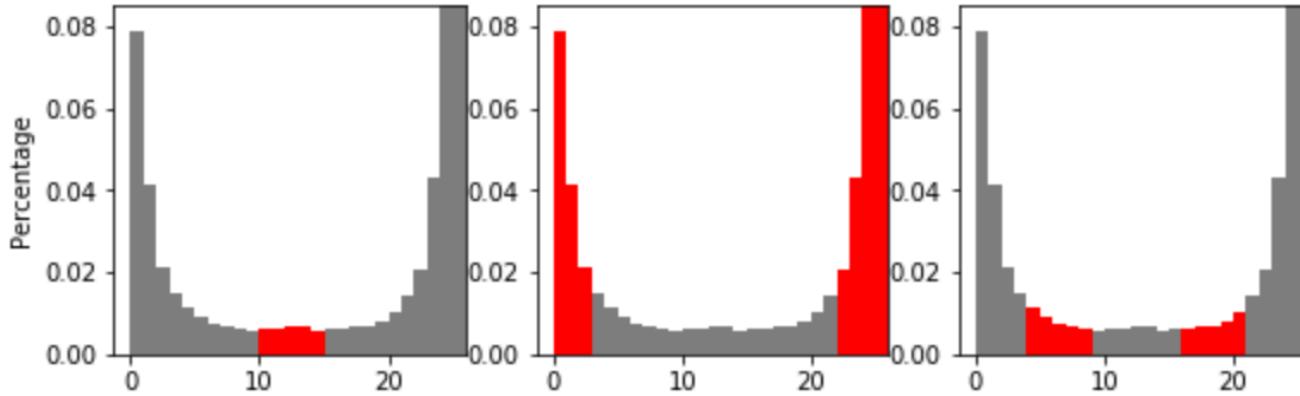
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edge

flat

corner



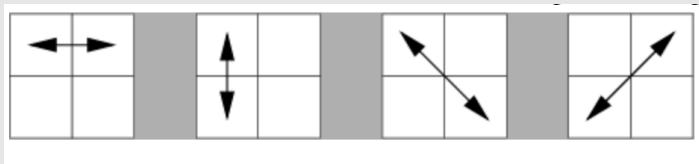
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# Haralick Features

## Textural Features for Image Classification

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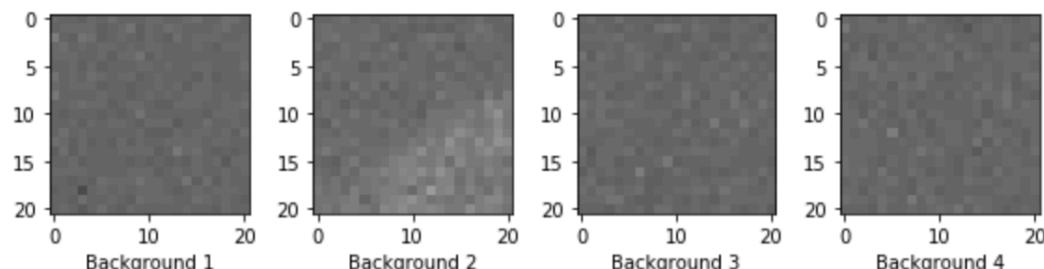
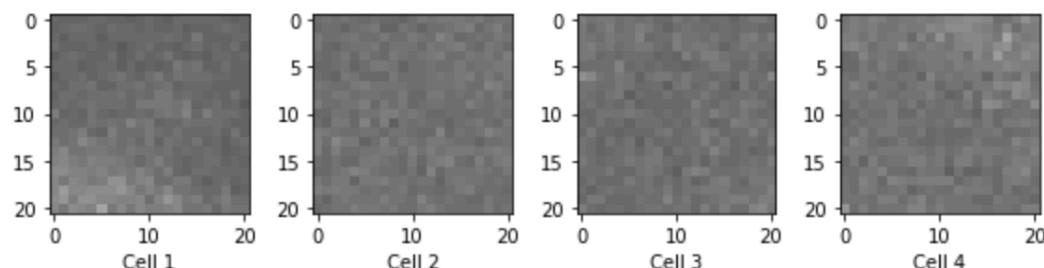
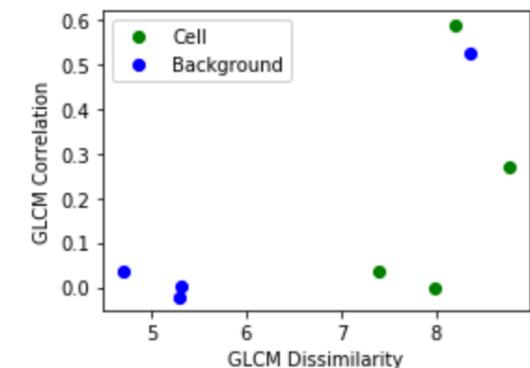
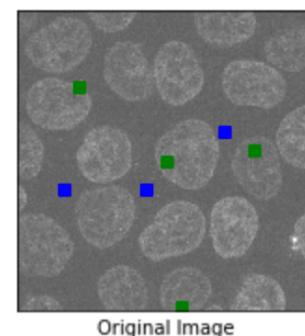
Element  $[i,j]$  of the matrix is generated by counting the number of times a pixel with value  $i$  is adjacent to a pixel with value  $j$



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Grey level co-occurrence matrix features



# Dense features

# Haar-like features

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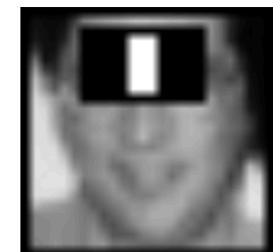
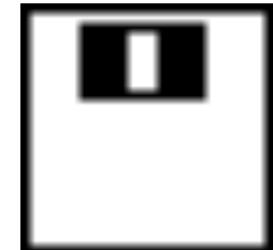
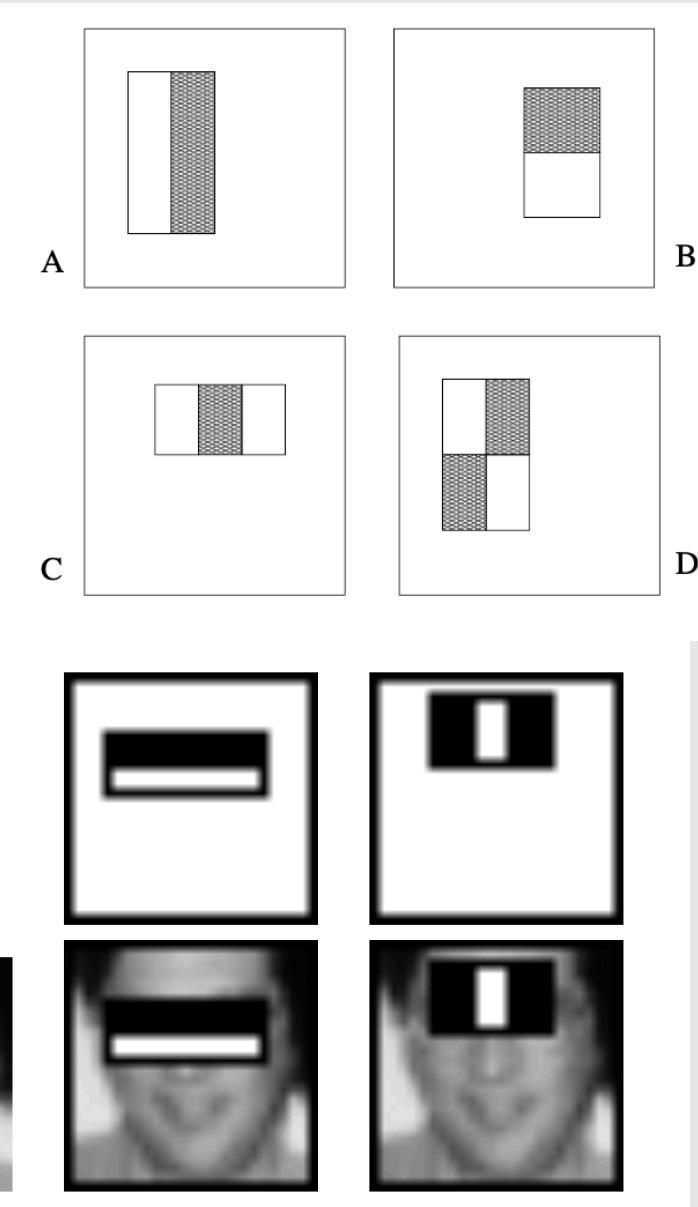
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Viola, P.; Jones, M.

TR2004-043 May 2004

M.6. Haar wavelets:



# Histograms of Oriented Gradients for Human Detection

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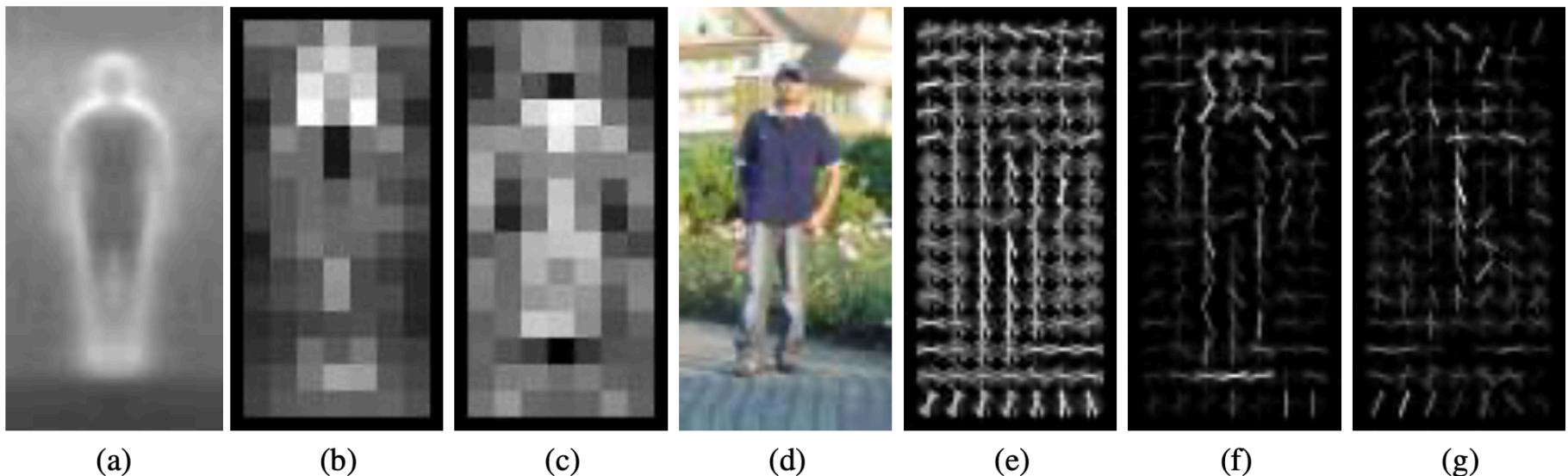
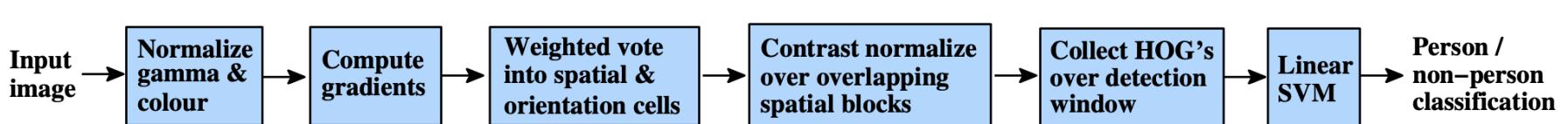
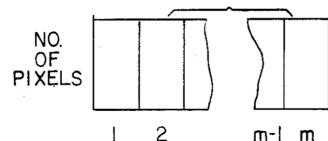
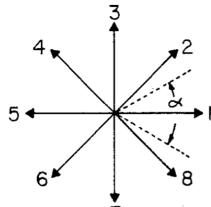
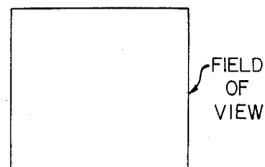


Figure 6. Our HOG detectors cue mainly on silhouette contours (especially the head, shoulders and feet). The most active blocks are centred on the image background just *outside* the contour. (a) The average gradient image over the training examples. (b) Each “pixel” shows the maximum positive SVM weight in the block centred on the pixel. (c) Likewise for the negative SVM weights. (d) A test image. (e) It's computed R-HOG descriptor. (f,g) The R-HOG descriptor weighted by respectively the positive and the negative SVM weights.



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*FIG. 2B**FIG. 2C**FIG. 2A*

# Original “publication”

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### [57] ABSTRACT

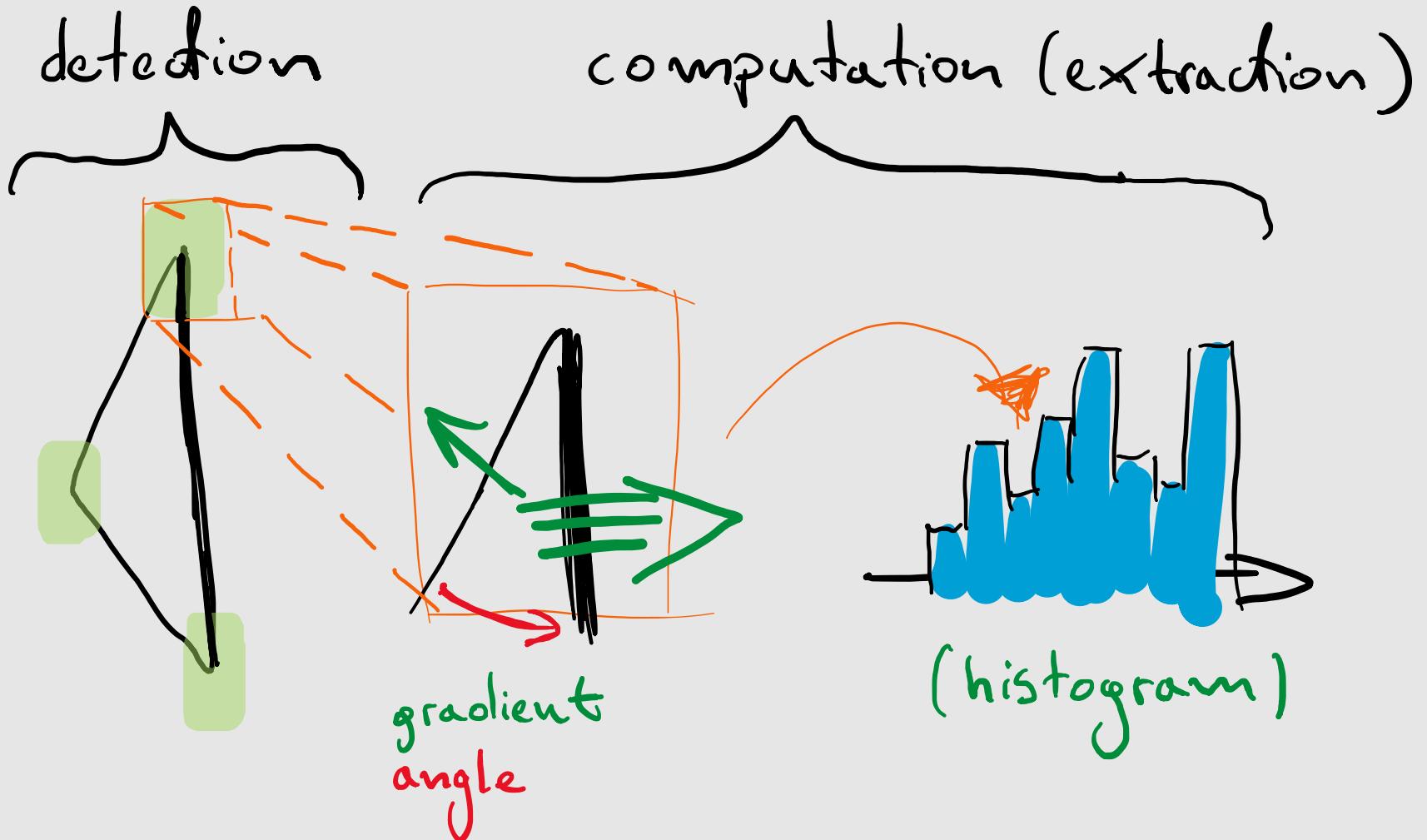
A method of and an apparatus for analysis of patterns both in static and dynamic modes. A test histogram is described in terms of the optimum code described for a reference histogram.

52 Claims, 33 Drawing Figures

# Limitations:

- Rotational sensitivity
- Works at one scale only
- susceptible to parts change, deformations and other non-affine transformations

# Sparse Features



# SIFT

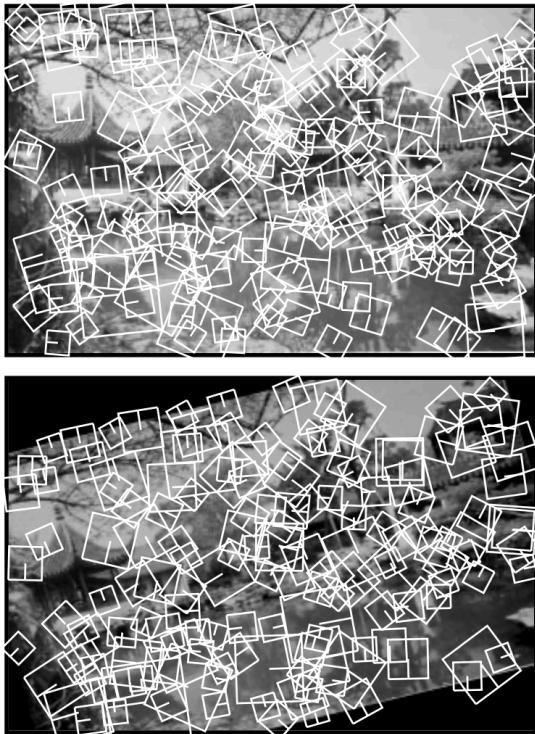


Figure 1: The second image was generated from the first by rotation, scaling, stretching, change of brightness and contrast, and addition of pixel noise. In spite of these changes, 78% of the keys from the first image have a closely matching key in the second image. These examples show only a subset of the keys to reduce clutter.

## Object Recognition from Local Scale-Invariant Features

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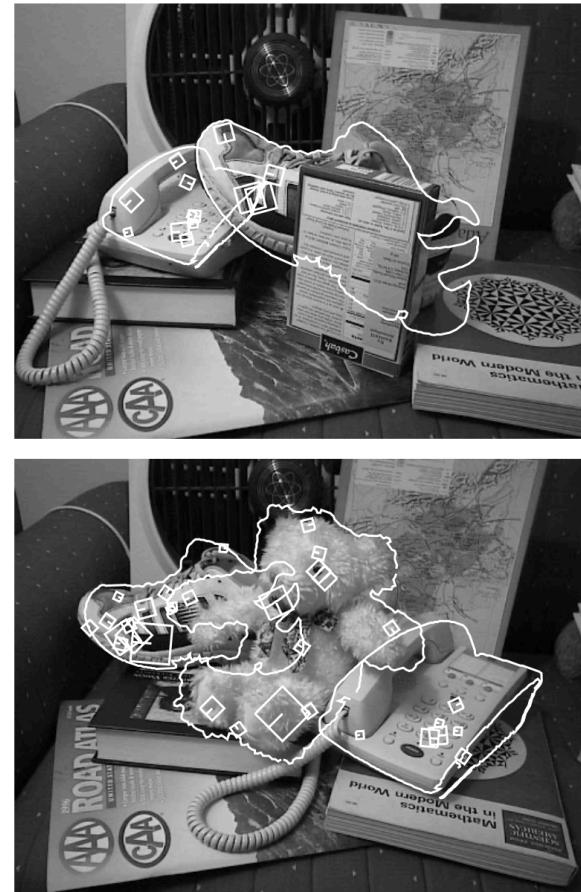


Figure 5: Examples of 3D object recognition with occlusion.

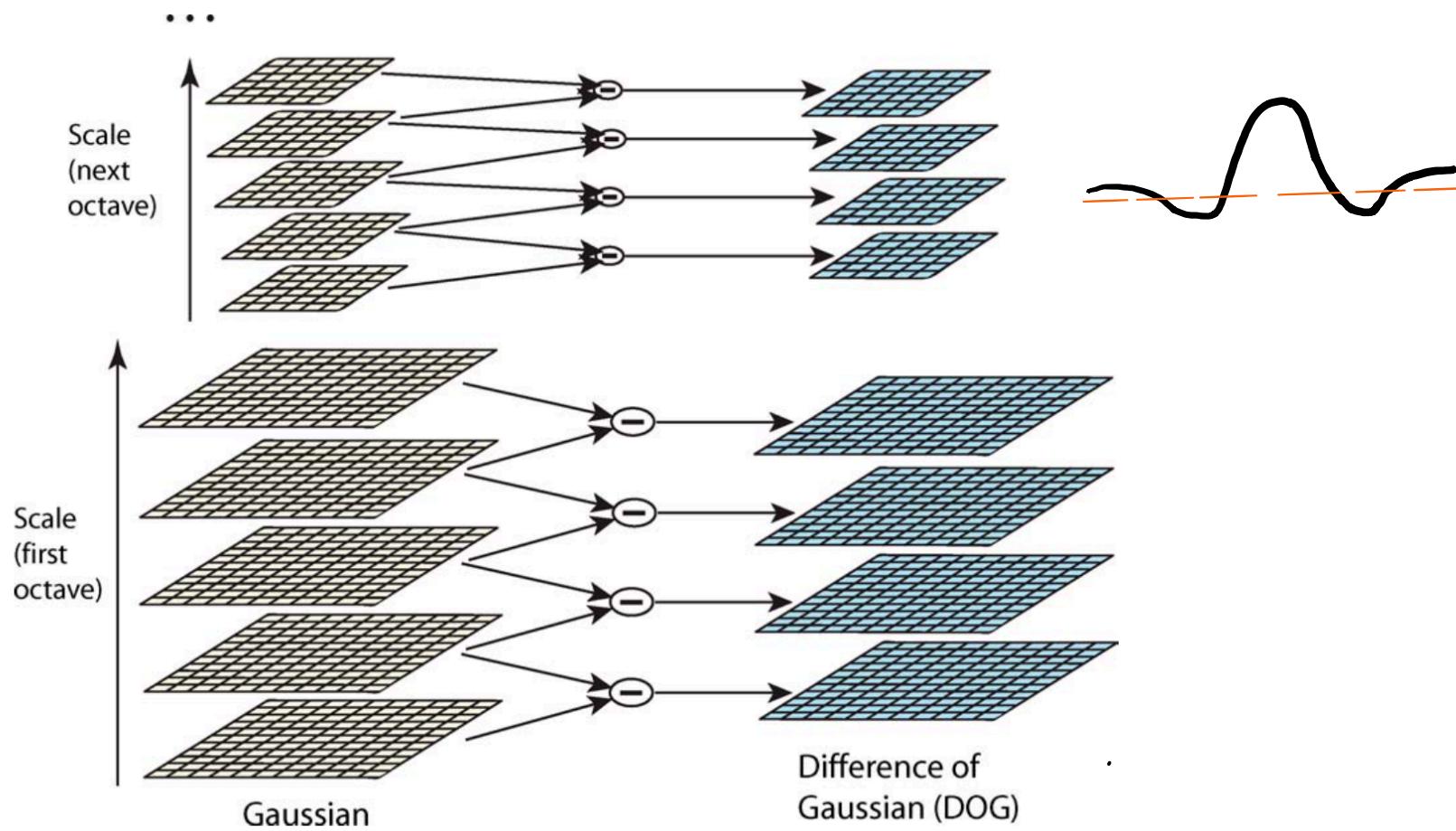
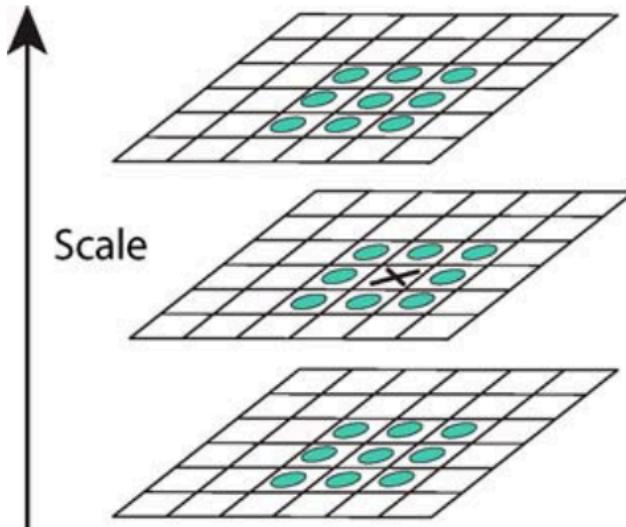
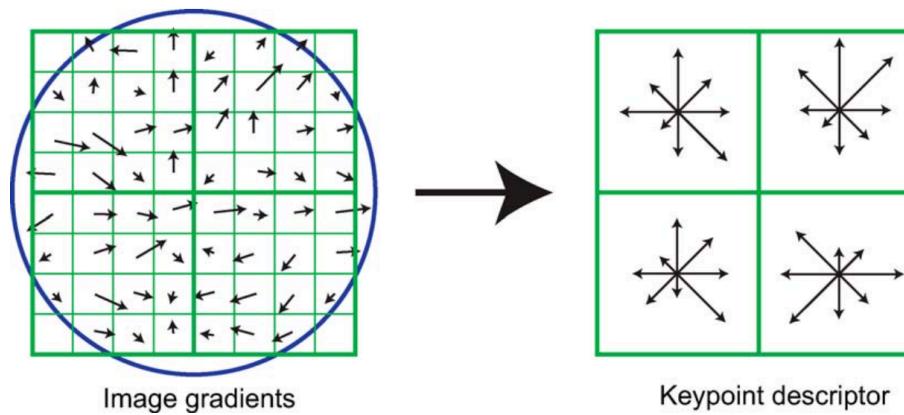


Figure 1. For each octave of scale space, the initial image is repeatedly convolved with Gaussians to produce the set of scale space images shown on the left. Adjacent Gaussian images are subtracted to produce the difference-of-Gaussian images on the right. After each octave, the Gaussian image is down-sampled by a factor of 2, and the process repeated.



*Figure 2.* Maxima and minima of the difference-of-Gaussian images are detected by comparing a pixel (marked with X) to its 26 neighbors in  $3 \times 3$  regions at the current and adjacent scales (marked with circles).



*Figure 7.* A keypoint descriptor is created by first computing the gradient magnitude and orientation at each image sample point in a region around the keypoint location, as shown on the left. These are weighted by a Gaussian window, indicated by the overlaid circle. These samples are then accumulated into orientation histograms summarizing the contents over  $4 \times 4$  subregions, as shown on the right, with the length of each arrow corresponding to the sum of the gradient magnitudes near that direction within the region. This figure shows a  $2 \times 2$  descriptor array computed from an  $8 \times 8$  set of samples, whereas the experiments in this paper use  $4 \times 4$  descriptors computed from a  $16 \times 16$  sample array.

# ORB

## ORB: an efficient alternative to SIFT or SURF

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- Rotation invariant FAST + BRIEF
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## Machine Learning for High-Speed Corner Detection

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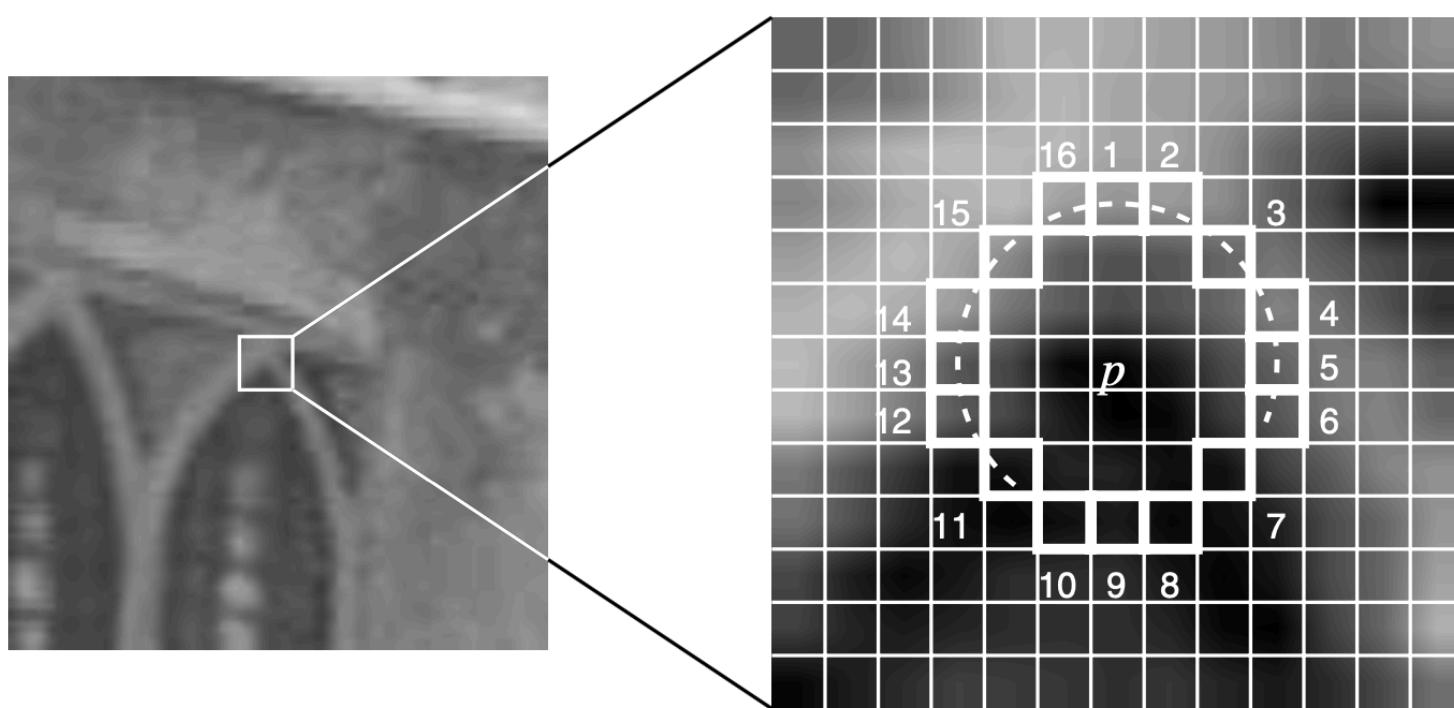
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## BRIEF: Binary Robust Independent Elementary Features\*

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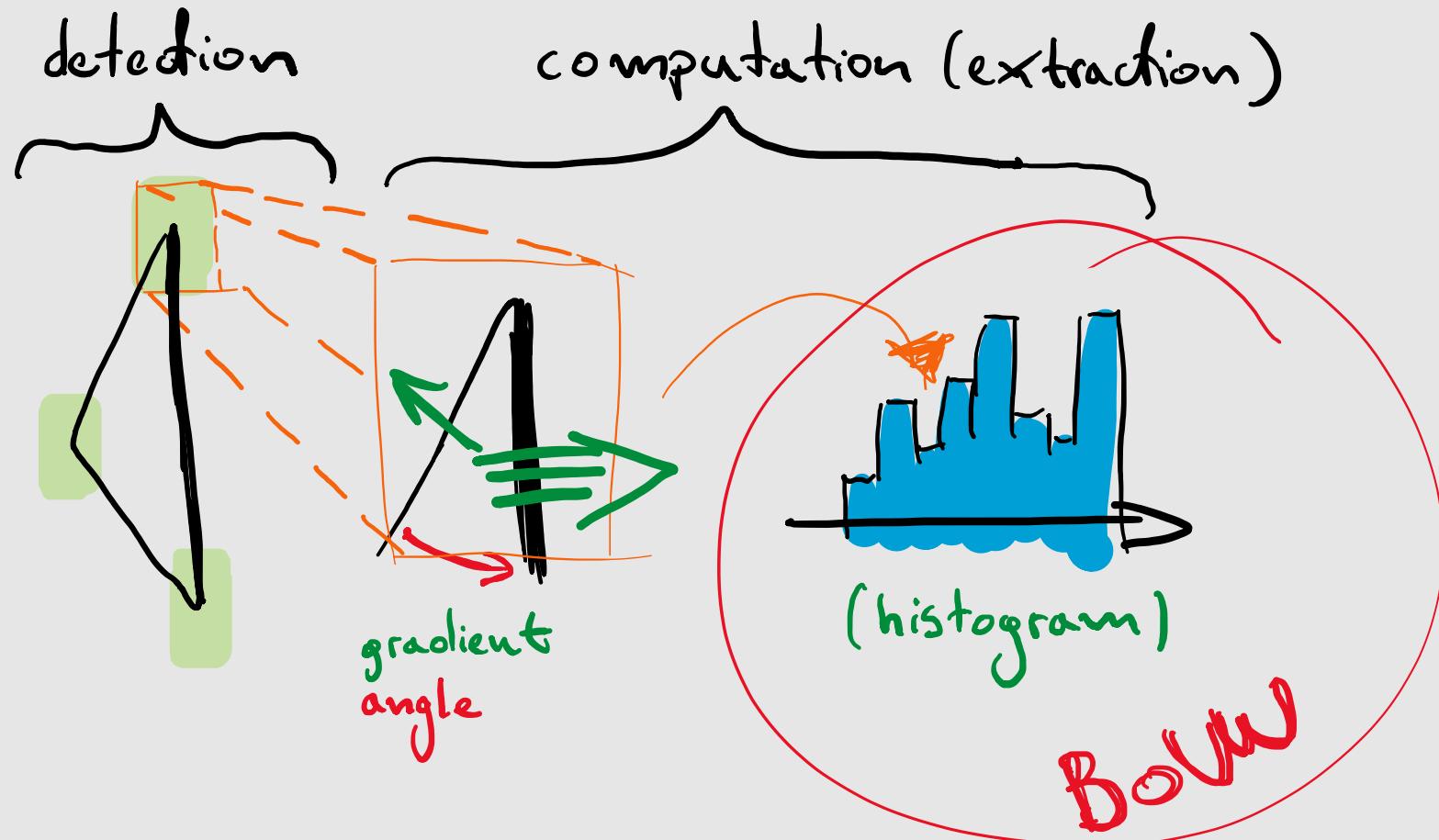
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# Keypoint detection



**Fig. 1.** 12 point segment test corner detection in an image patch. The highlighted squares are the pixels used in the corner detection. The pixel at  $p$  is the centre of a candidate corner. The arc is indicated by the dashed line passes through 12 contiguous pixels which are brighter than  $p$  by more than the threshold.

# BoVW Feature points

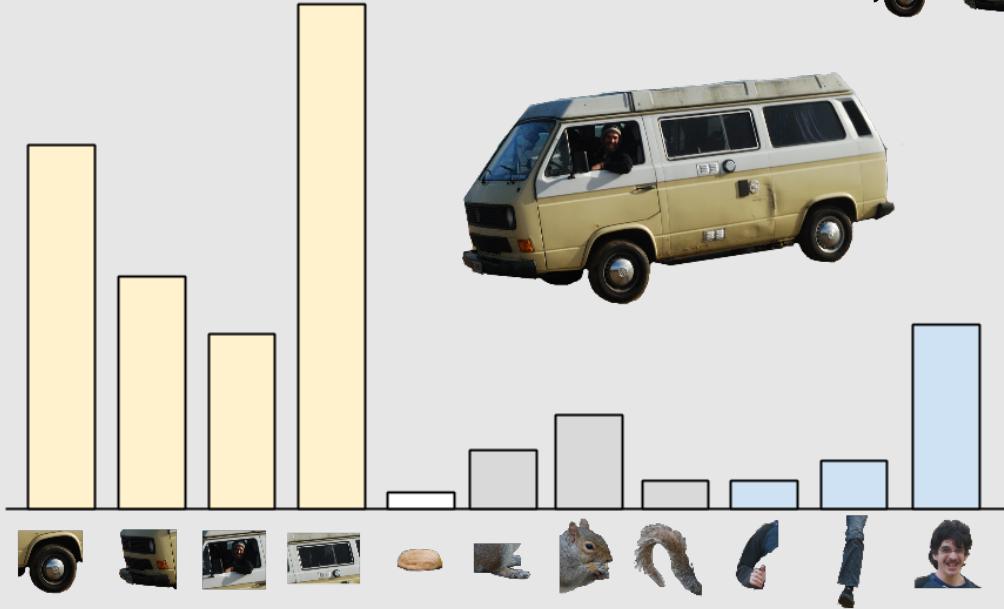
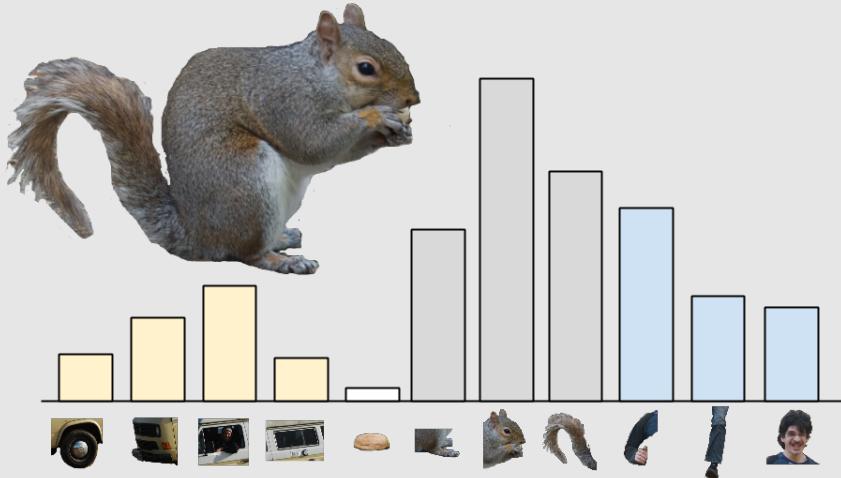


# Bag of Visual Words

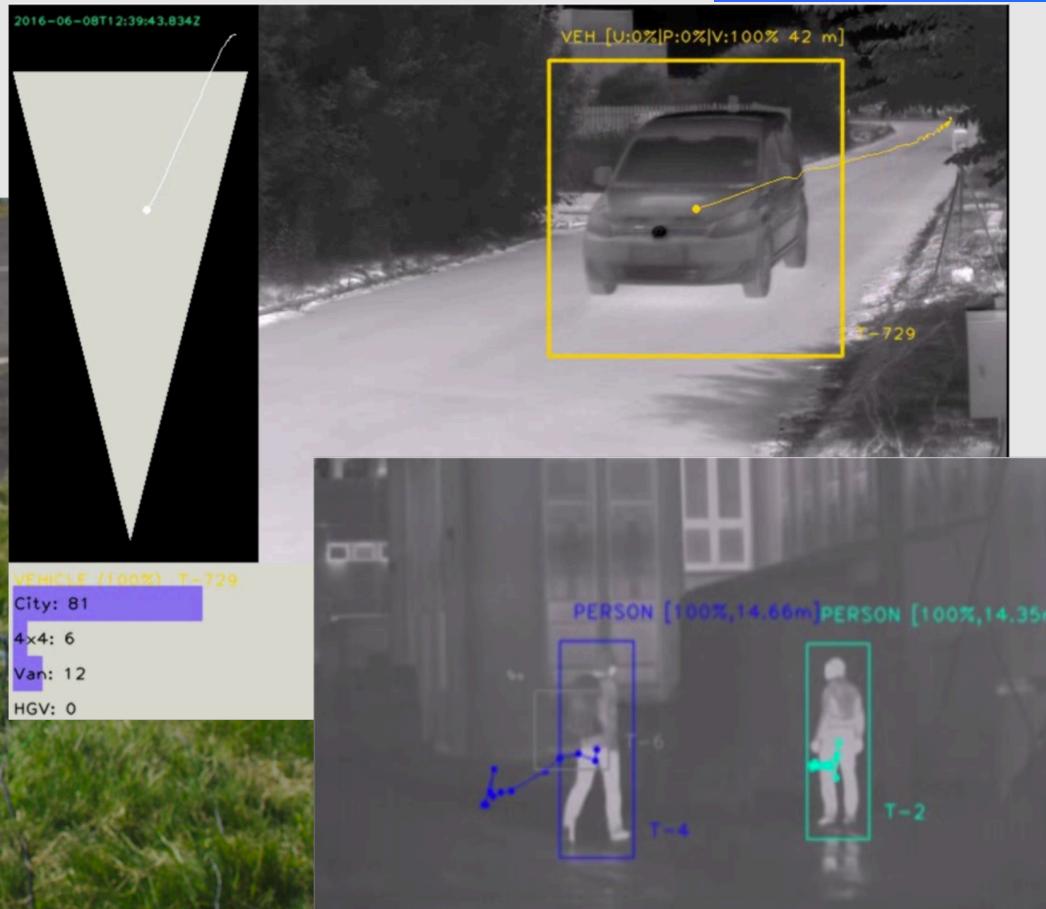


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