

Analysis of Image Transforms for Sketch-based Retrieval

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Motivation

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Challenges of CBIR

The Semantic Gap

*“The semantic gap is the **lack of coincidence** between the information that one can extract from the **visual data** and the **interpretation** that the same data have for a user in a given situation.” – Smeulders et al.*

The Sensory Gap

*“The sensory gap is the gap between the **object in the world** and the information in a (computational) description derived from a **recording of that scene**.” – Smeulders et al.*

Prior Work on Human Recognition

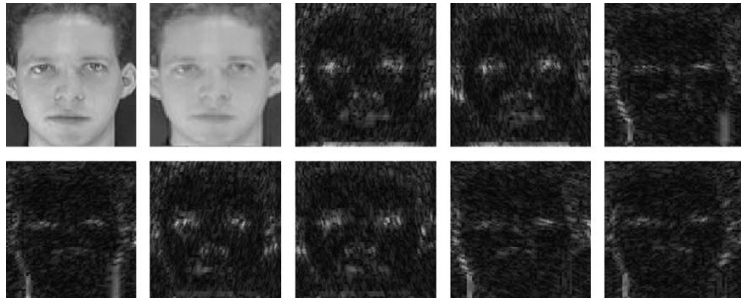


Figure: “Face recognition using curvelet based PCA.”, T. Mandal and Q. M.J Wu, ICPR 2008

Prior Work on Human Recognition



Figure: “Histograms of oriented gradients for human detection”, Dalal and Triggs, CVPR 2005

Prior Work on Visual Codebooks

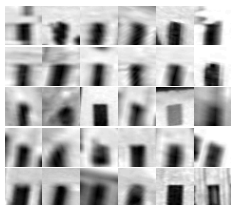
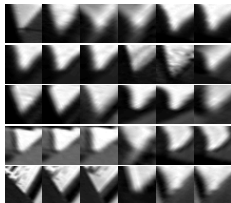


Figure: “Video Google: A text retrieval approach to object matching in videos”, Sivic and Zisserman, ICCV 2003

Prior Work on Scene Classification

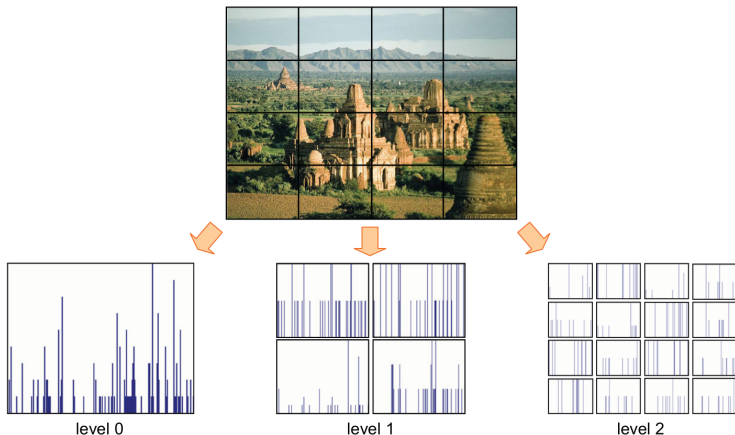


Figure: “Spatial pyramid matching”, Lazebnik et al., 2009

Anatomy of a CBIR System

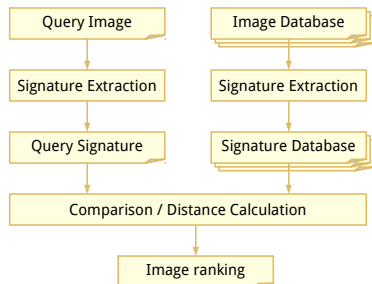


Figure: Global Descriptors

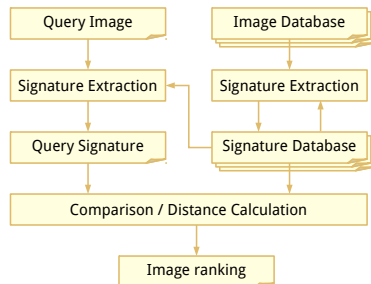


Figure: Local Descriptors

Proposed Retrieval Pipelines (Global)

Proposed Retrieval Pipelines (Local)

Acquisition

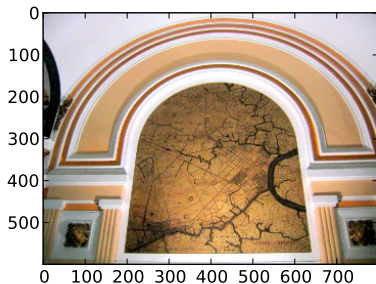


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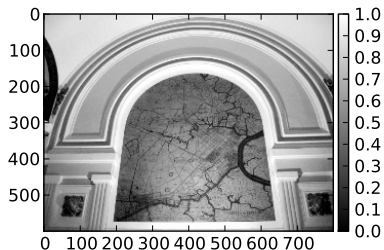


Figure: Luma Conversion

Acquisition

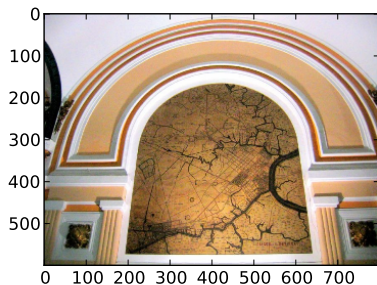


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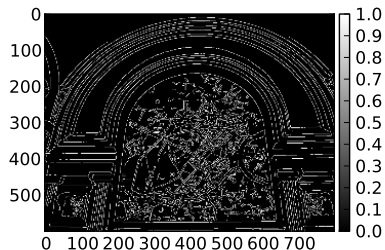


Figure: Canny Operator

Acquisition

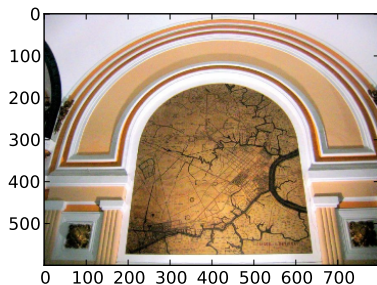


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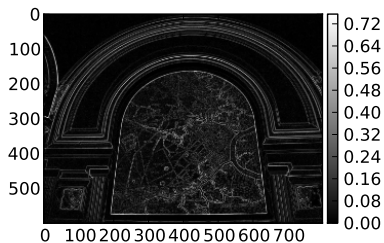


Figure: Sobel Operator

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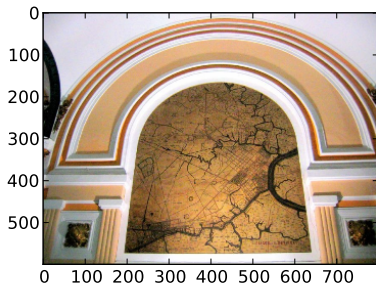


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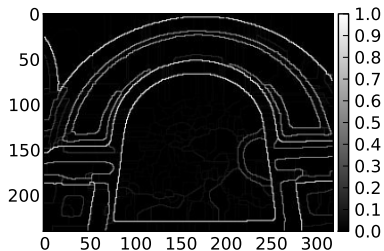


Figure: gPb-owt-ucm Transform

Properties of the Curvelet Transform

- ▶ An extension of the wavelet transform
- ▶ Localized in *position*, *scale* and *orientation*
- ▶ Curvelets obey parabolic scaling: $width \approx length^2$
- ▶ Approximation error along edges using m largest coefficients decays with $\frac{\log(m)^3}{m^2}$ (compare $\frac{1}{m}$ for wavelets)
- ▶ Defined in frequency domain using

Constructing the Curvelets

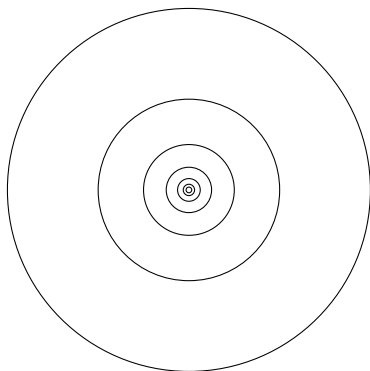


Figure: Frequency Domain

Figure: Spatial Domain

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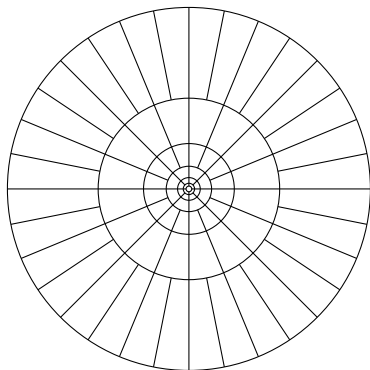


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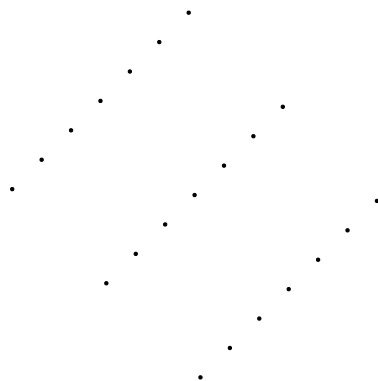


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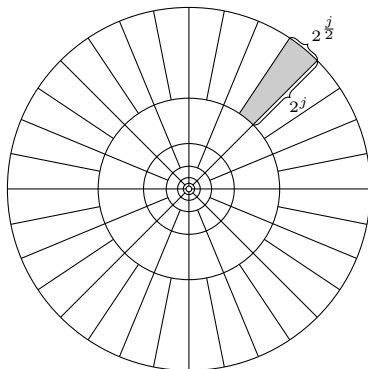


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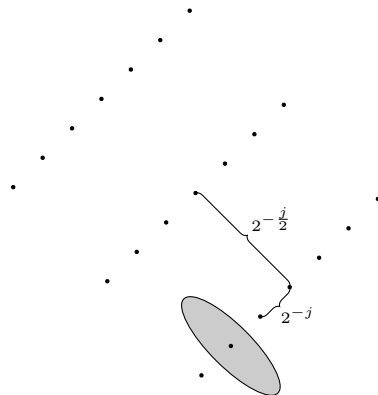


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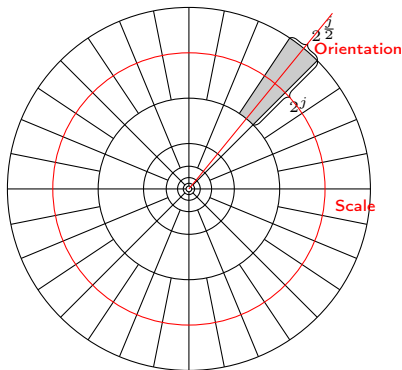


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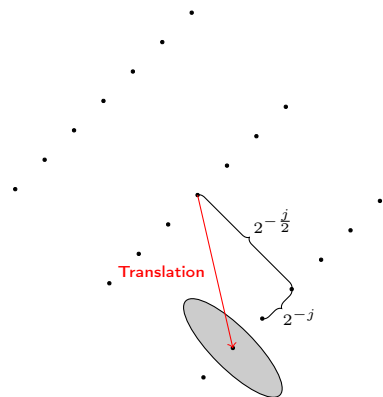


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Example Curvelets



Figure: Frequency Domain

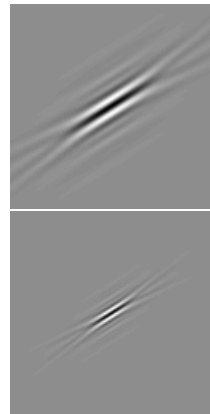


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The Fast Discrete Curvelet Transform

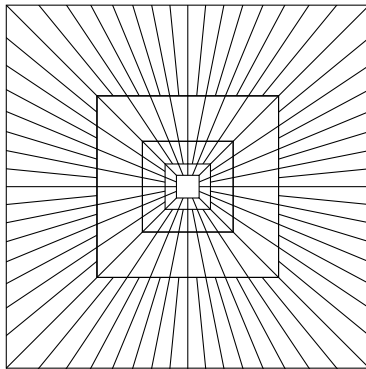


Figure: Frequency Domain

Figure: Parallelogram Support

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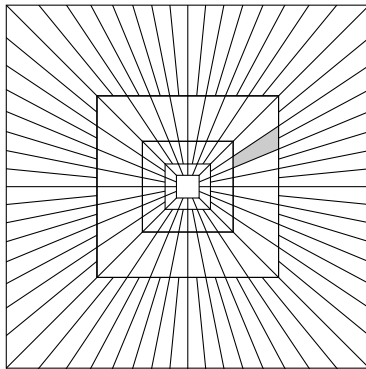


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Figure: Parallelogram Support

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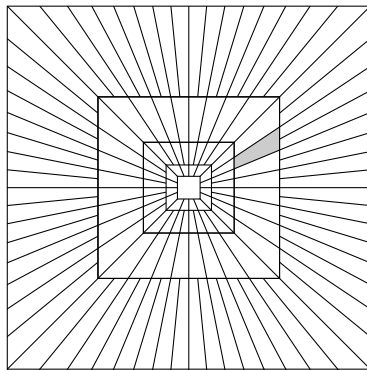


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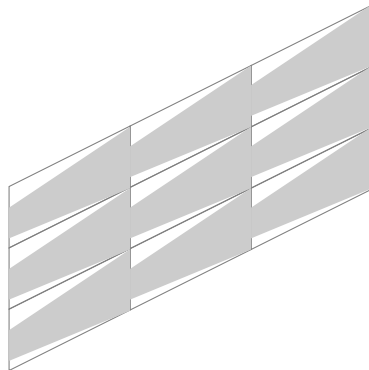


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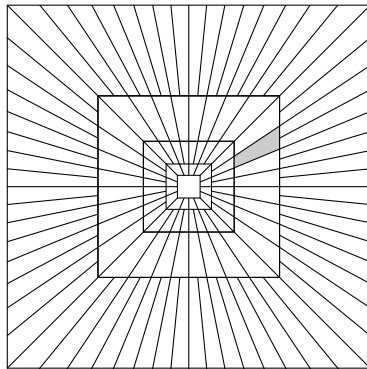


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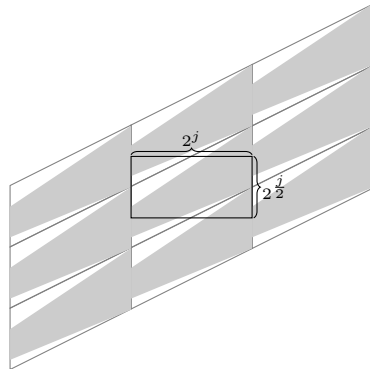


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Global Feature Extraction

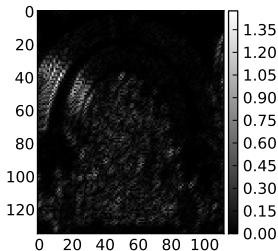


Figure: Curvelet coefficients at a specific scale and angle

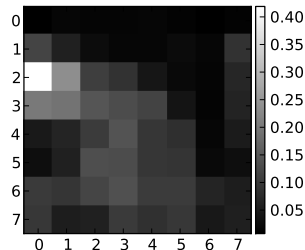


Figure: Mean values on an 8×8 grid

Local Feature Extraction

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Ranking

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Benchmarking Method

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Cross-Domain Results

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Intra-Domain Results

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Conclusions

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