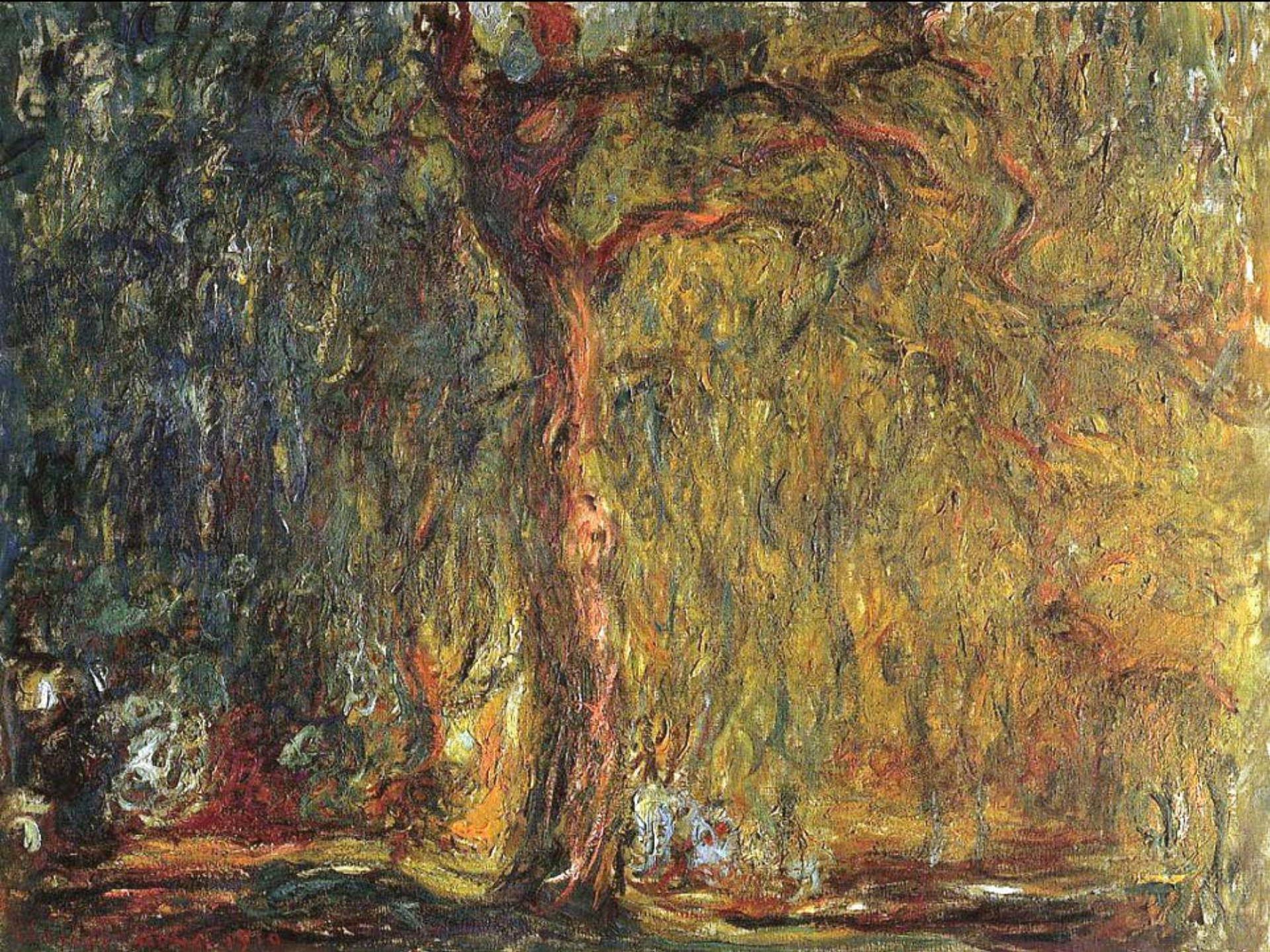




Reconnaissance d'objets et vision artificielle

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Nous cherchons
toujours
des stagiaires
à la fin du cours

Initiation à la vision artificielle

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Jeudis, salle R, 9-12h

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Why?



NAO (Aldebaran Robotics)

Fake

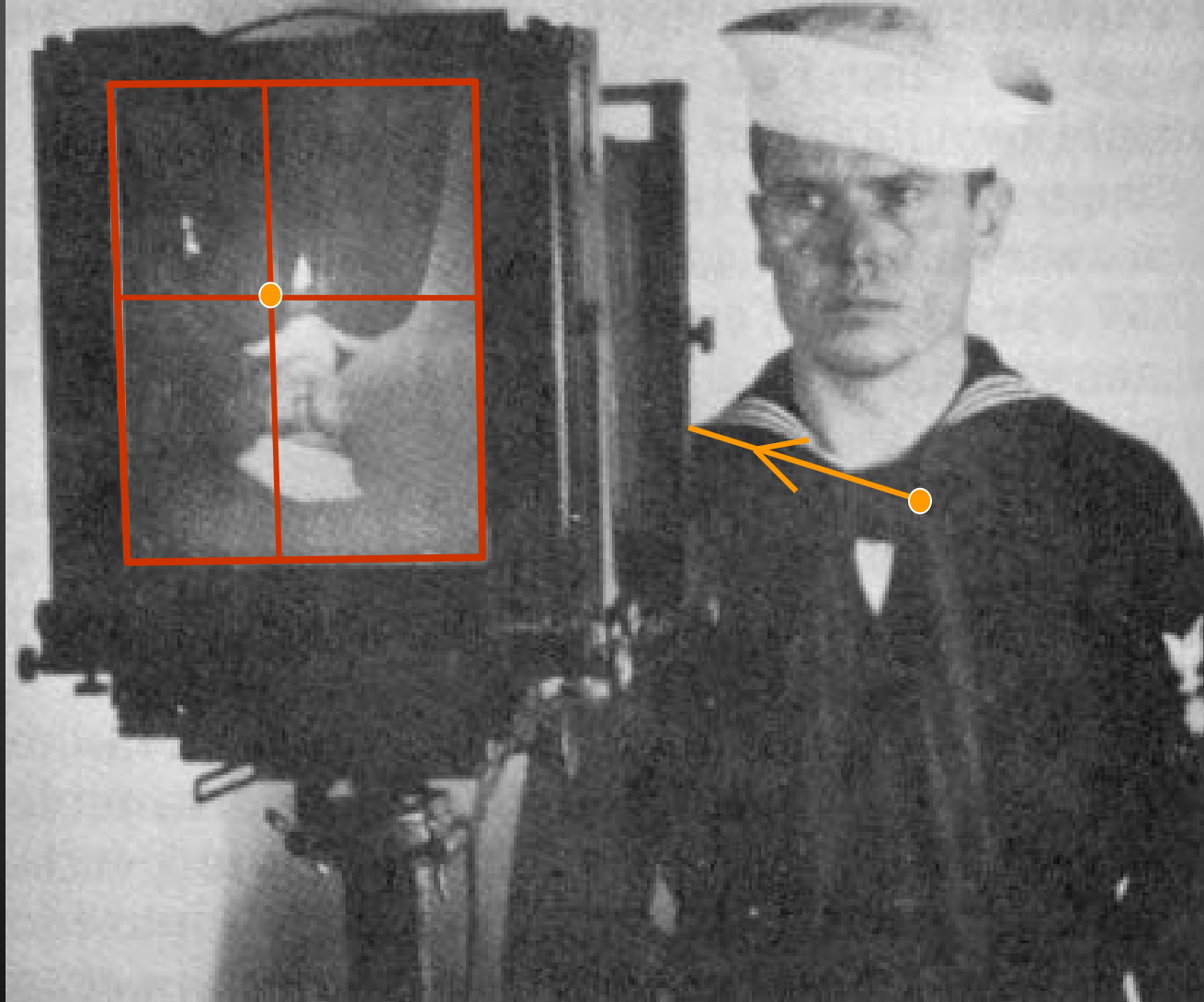


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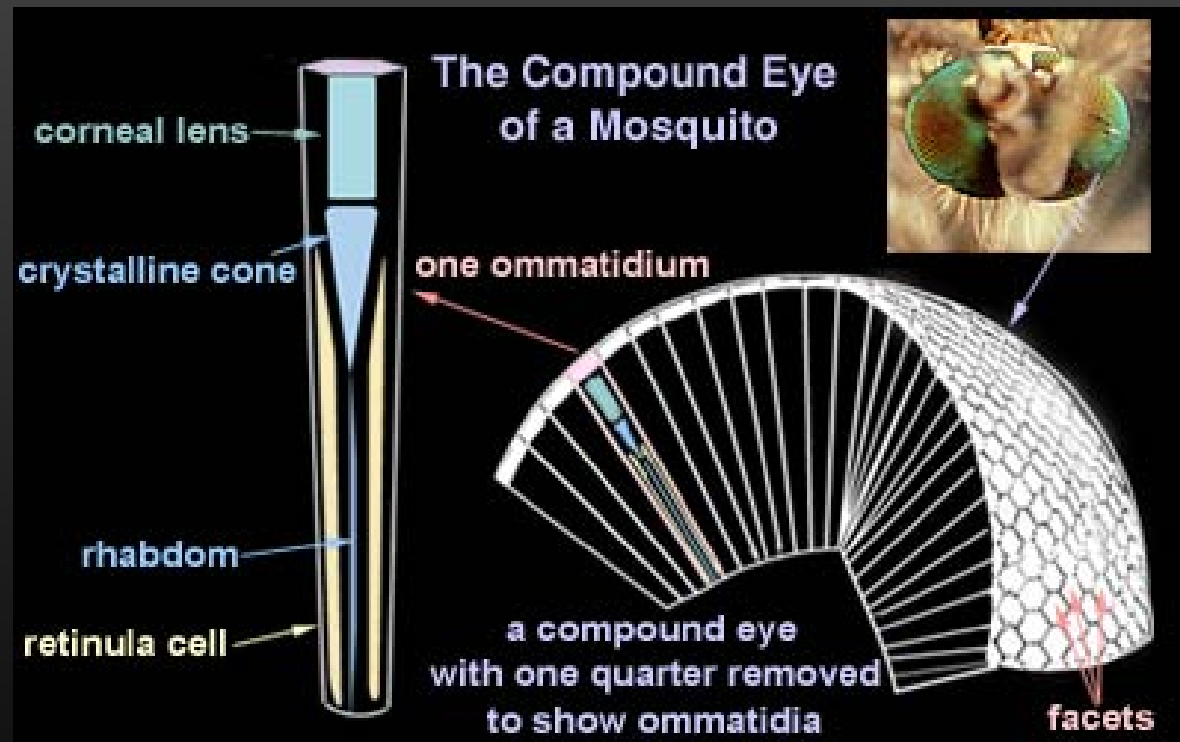
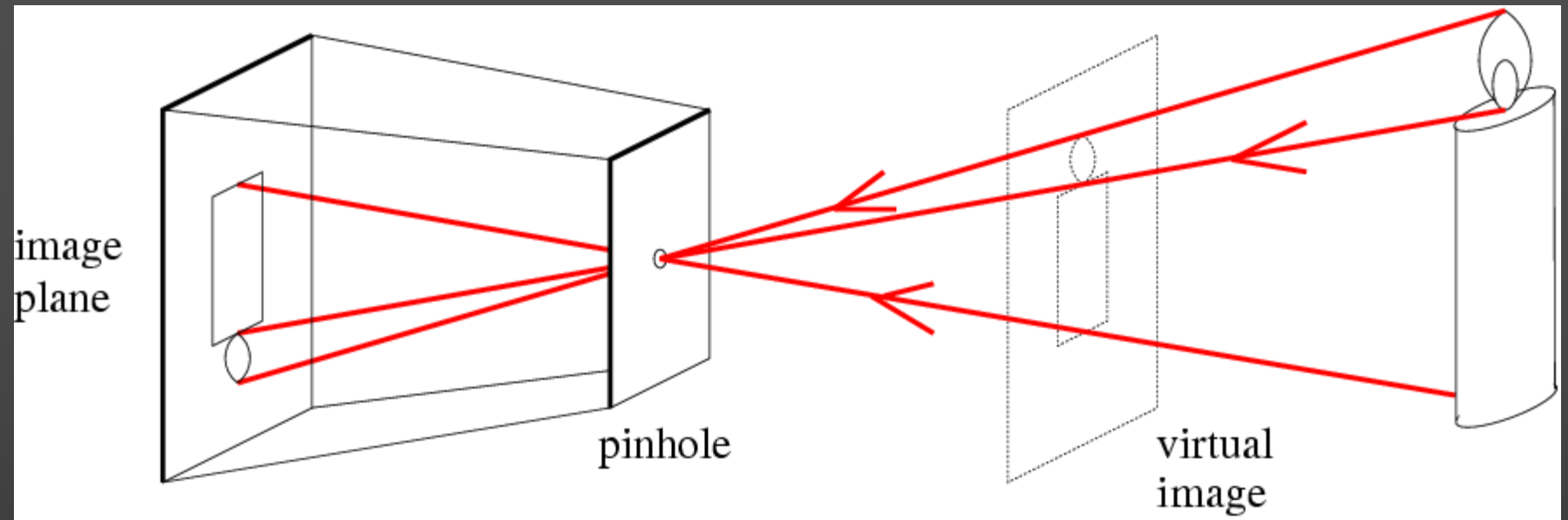


(Mairal, Bach, Ponce, PAMI'12)

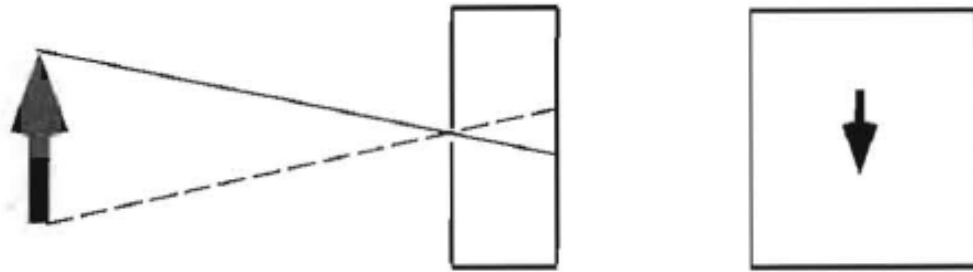
They are formed by the projection of three-dimensional objects.



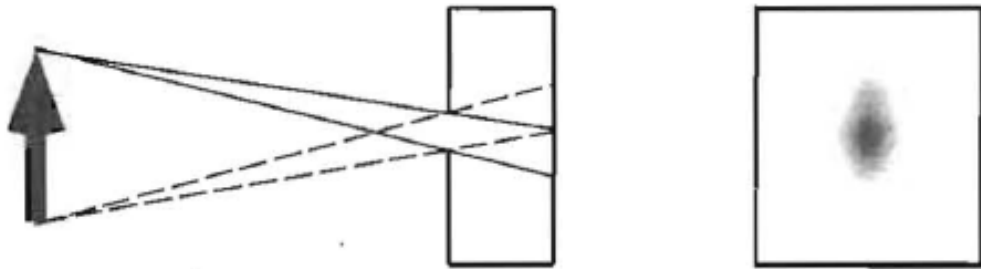
Images are brightness/color patterns drawn in a plane.



Pinhole camera: trade-off between sharpness and light transmission



A. Pinhole Aperture without Lens --> Sharp Image



B. Large Aperture without Lens --> Fuzzy Image

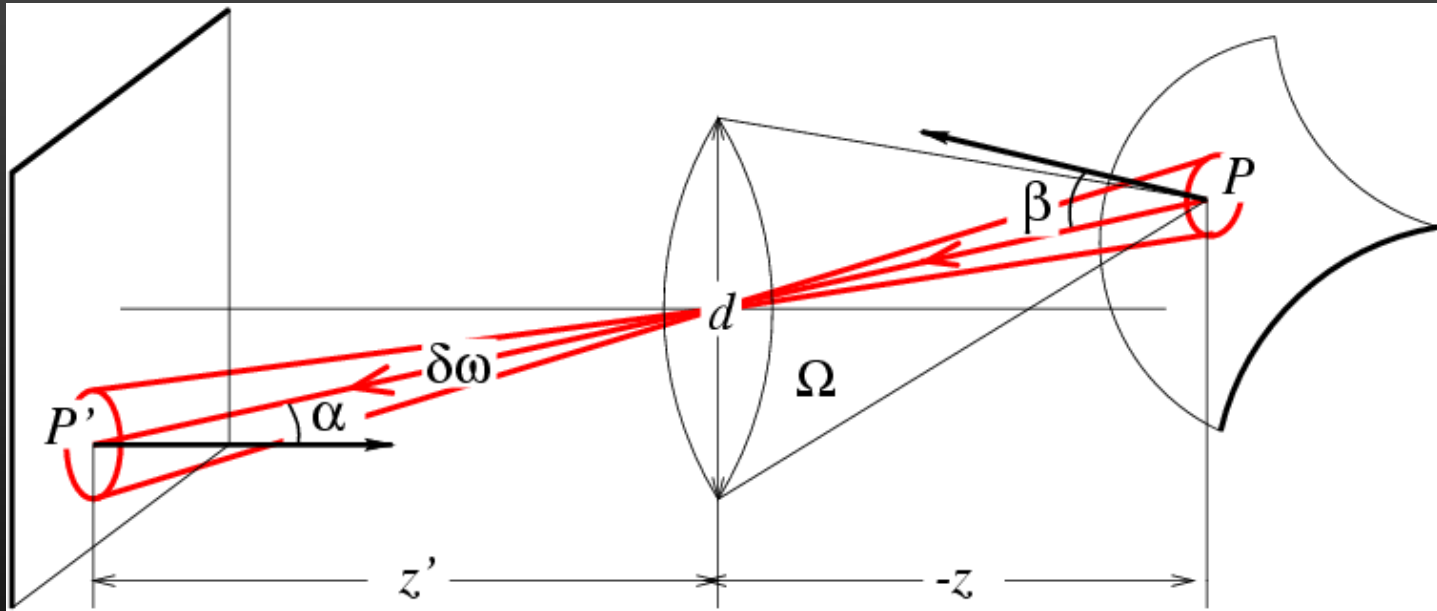


Camera Obscura in
Edinburgh

Advantages of lens systems

Lenses

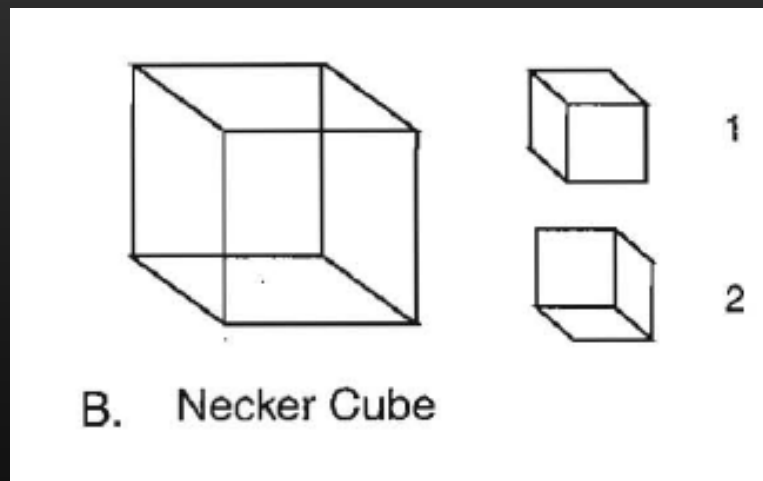
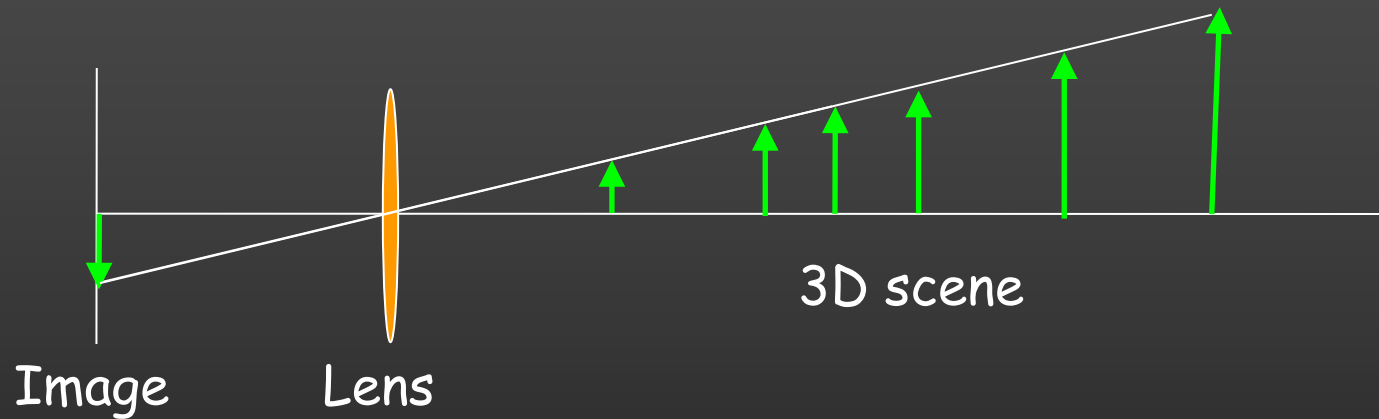
- can focus sharply on close and distant objects
- transmit more light than a pinhole camera



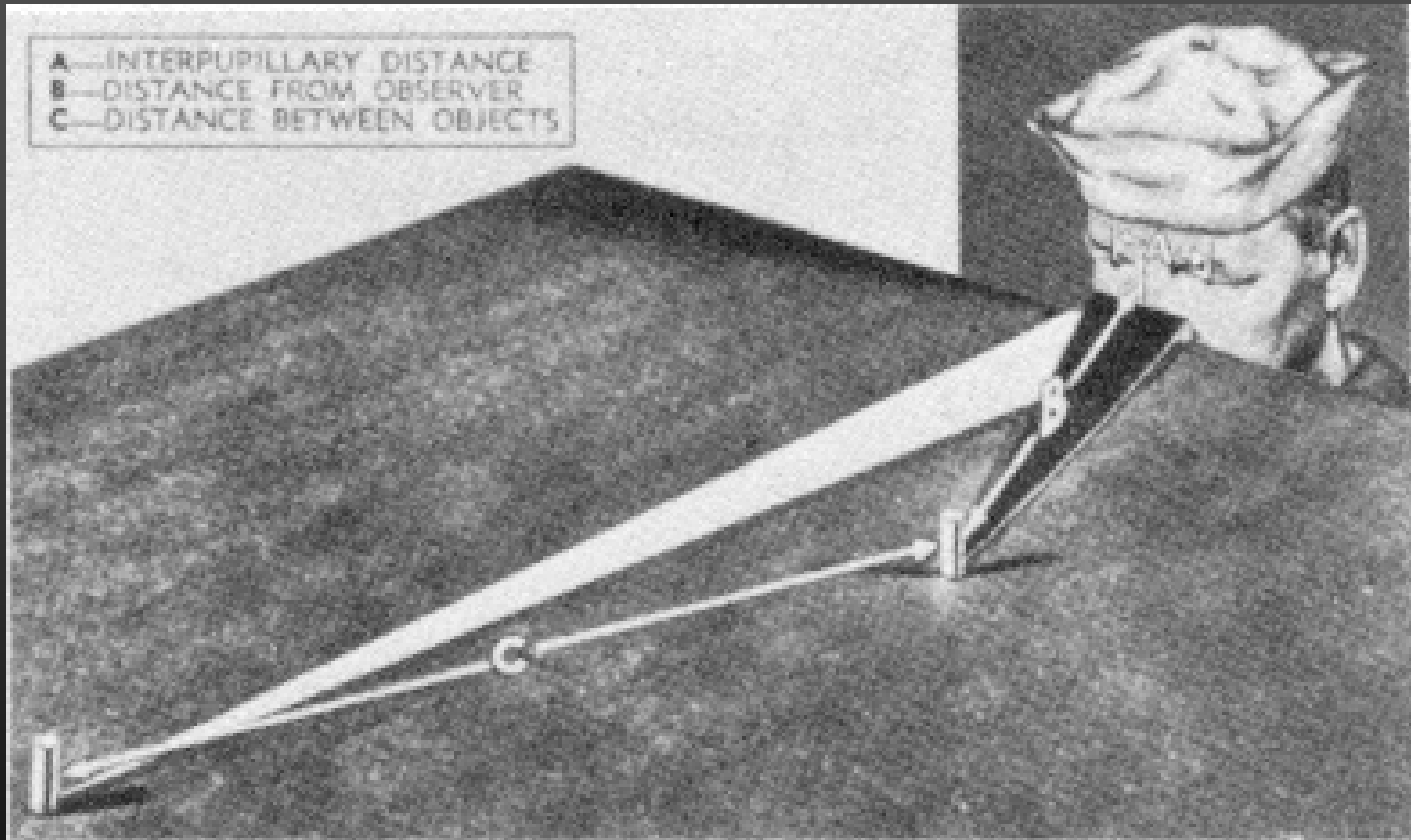
$$E = (\Pi/4) \left[(d/z')^2 \cos^4 \alpha \right] L$$

Fundamental problem I: 3D world is "flattened" to 2D images

➡ Loss of information



Question : how do we see "in 3D" ?

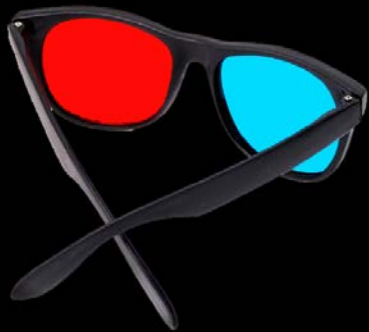


(First-order) answer: with our two eyes.

Simulated 3D perception

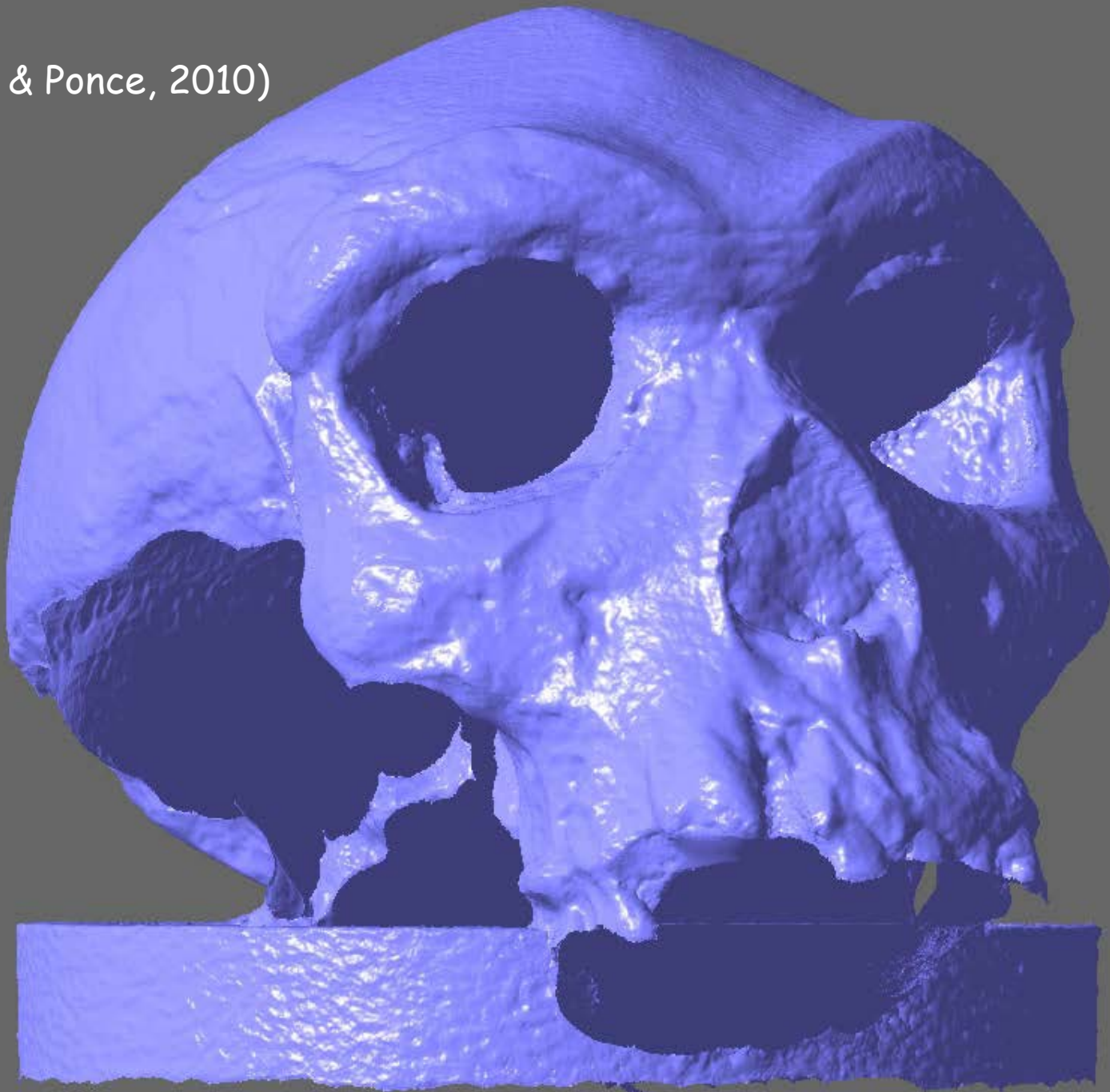


Disparity



PMVS

(Furukawa & Ponce, 2010)



But there are other cues..





Depth from haze



Input haze image

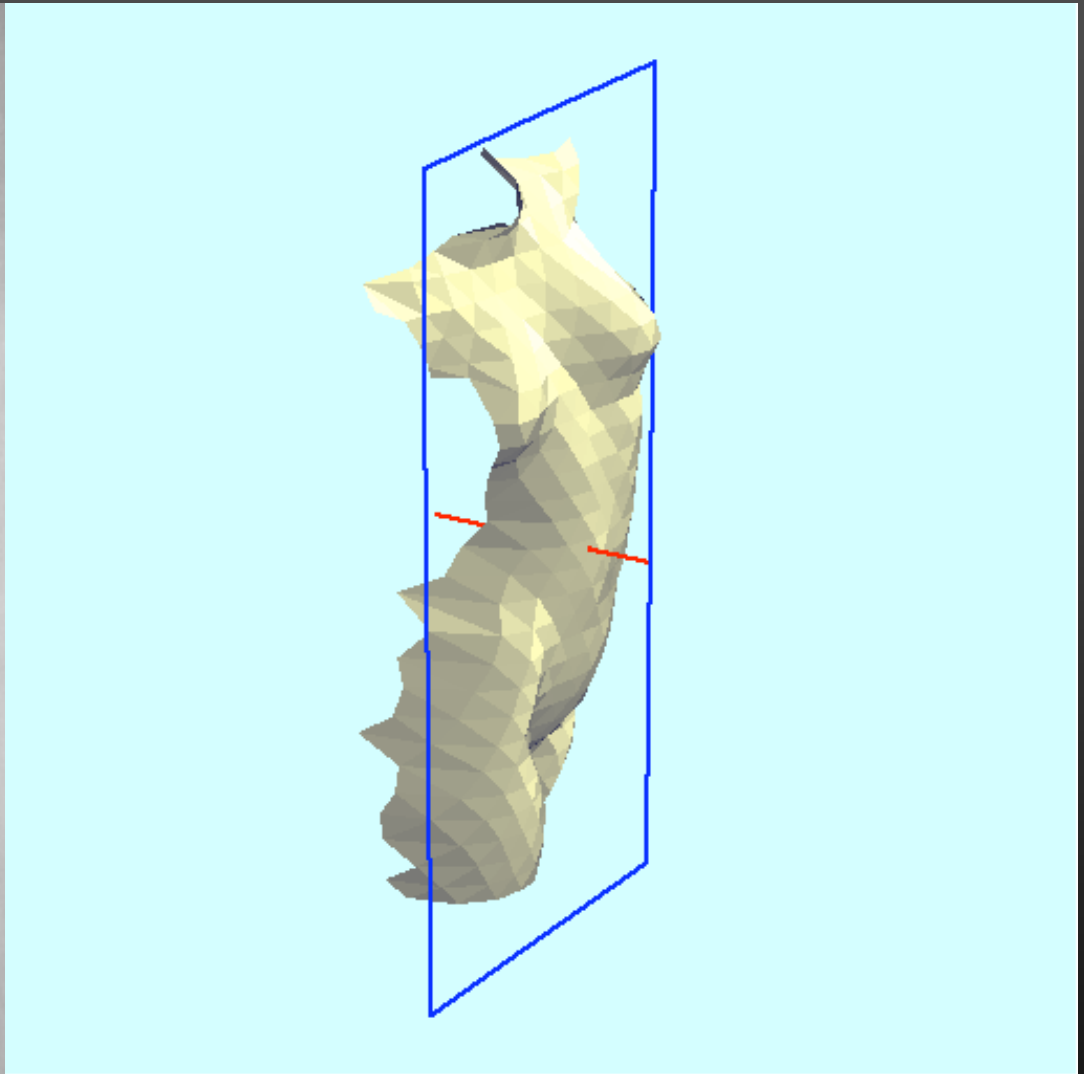


Reconstructed images



Recovered depth map

[K. HE, J. Sun and X. Tang, CVPR 2009]





Source: J. Koenderink

What is happening with the shadows?





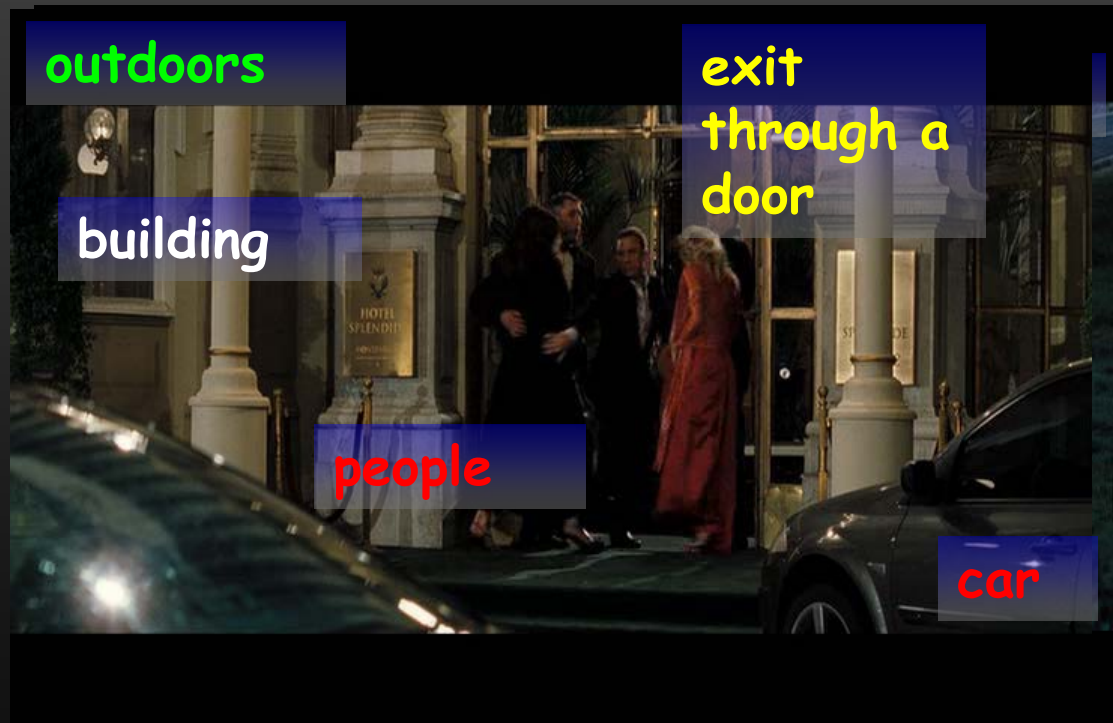
Challenges or opportunities?



Image source: J. Koenderink

- Images are confusing, but they also reveal the structure of the world through numerous cues.
- Our job is to interpret the cues!

But we want much more than 3D:
ex: Visual scene analysis



[illegible]

Edward Lewis
(Richard Gere)

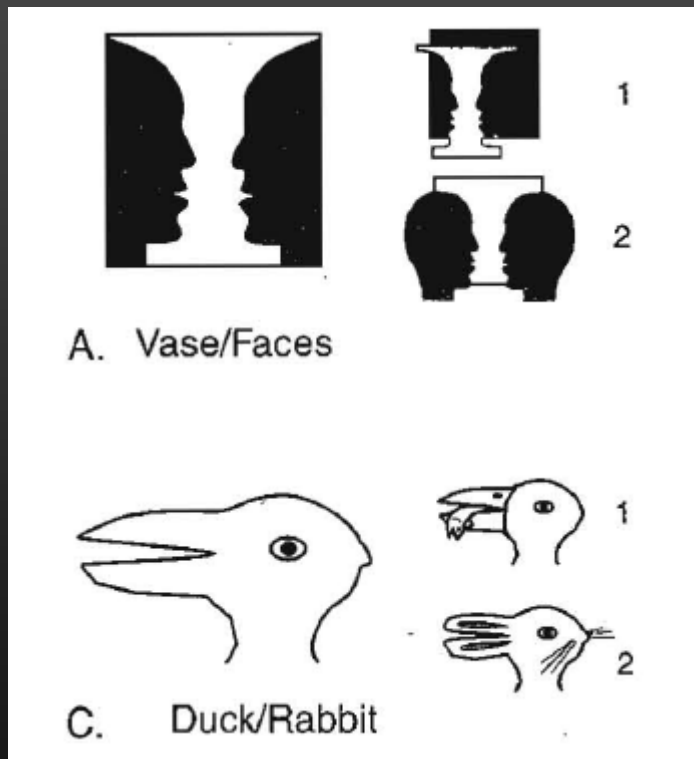
Vivian
(Julia Roberts)



A photograph of a three-story white building with many windows. A green tractor is parked in front of the building, and a person is standing near a large arched doorway on the right side.

Fundamental problem II: Cameras do not measure semantics

→ We need lots of prior knowledge to make meaningful interpretations of an image



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Specific object detection



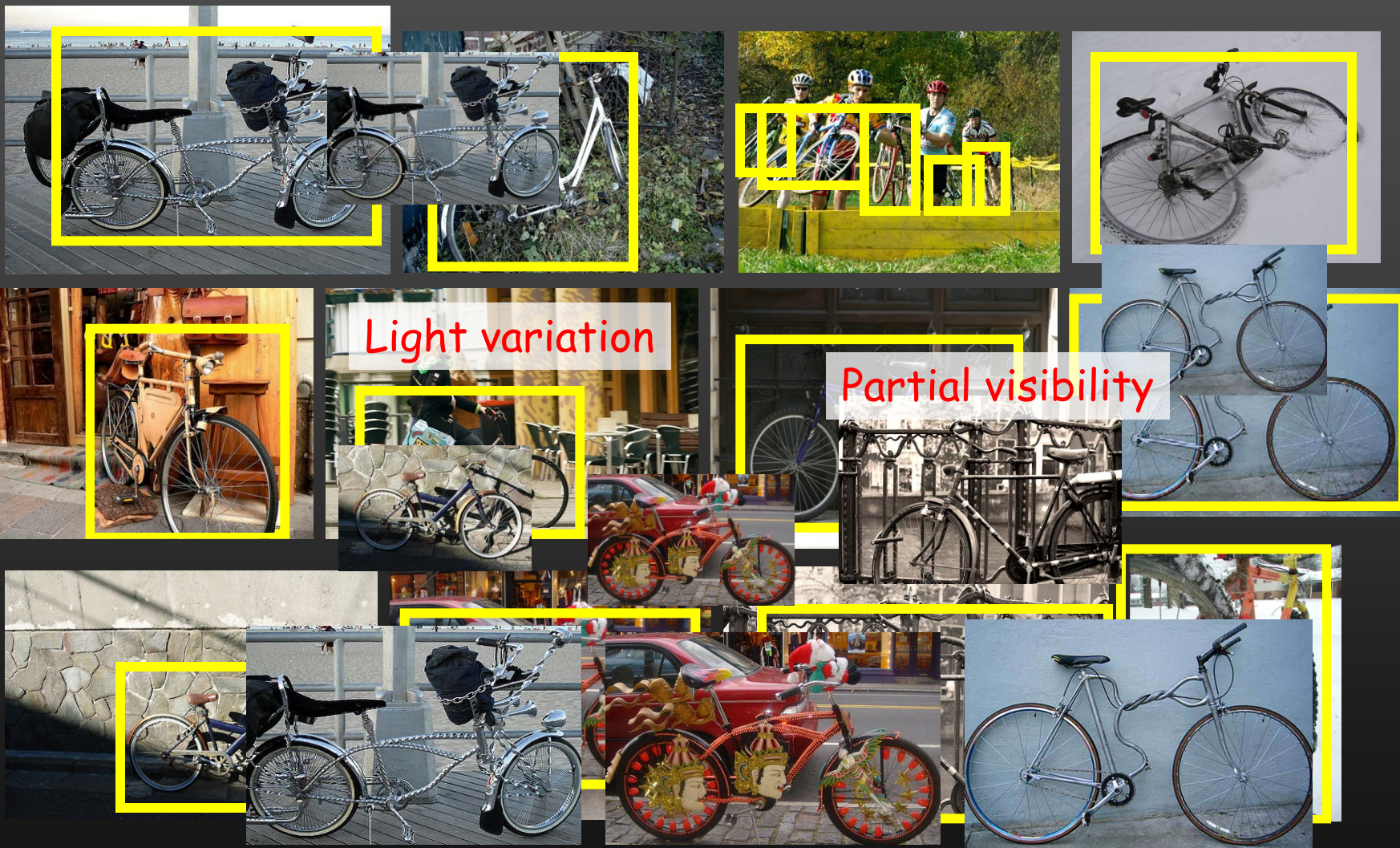
(Lowe, 2004)

Image classification



Object category detection

View variation



Light variation

Partial visibility

Within-class variation

Example: part-based models



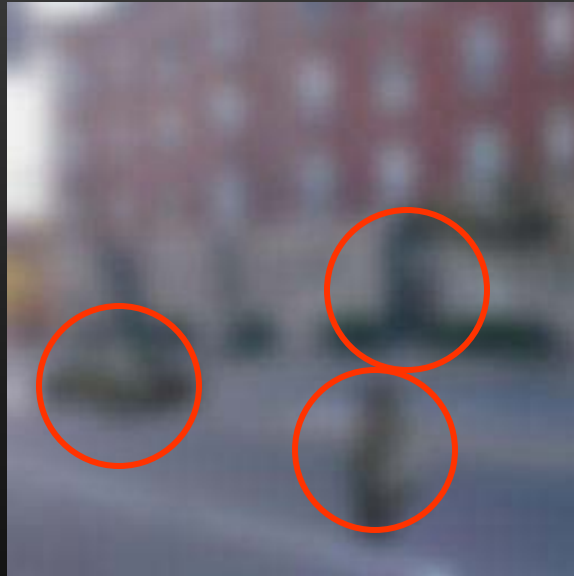
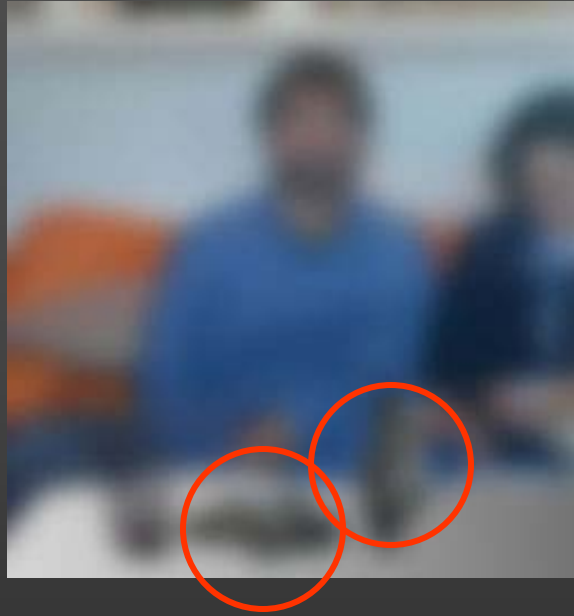
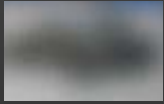
Qualitative experiments on Pascal VOC'07 (Kushal, Schmid, Ponce, 2008)

Scene understanding



Photo courtesy A. Efros.

Local ambiguity and global scene interpretation



This class

1. Introduction plus recap on geometry (J. Ponce)
2. Instance-level recognition I. - Local invariant features (C. Schmid)
3. Instance-level recognition II. - Correspondence, efficient visual search (I. Laptev)
4. Very large scale image indexing; bag-of-feature models for category-level recognition (C. Schmid)
5. Sparse coding (J. Ponce); category-level localization I (J. Sivic)
6. Neural networks; optimization
7. Category-level localization II; pictorial structures; human pose (J. Sivic)
8. Motion and human action (I. Laptev)
9. Face detection and recognition; segmentation (C. Schmid)
10. Scenes and objects (J. Sivic)
11. Final project presentations (J. Sivic, I. Laptev)

Computer vision books

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- O. Faugeras, Q.T. Luong, and T. Papadopoulos, "Geometry of Multiple Images," MIT Press, 2001.
- R. Hartley and A. Zisserman, "Multiple View Geometry in Computer Vision", Cambridge University Press, 2004.
- J. Koenderink, "Solid Shape", MIT Press, 1990.

Class web-page

<http://www.di.ens.fr/willow/teaching/recvis12/>

Slides available after classes:

<http://www.di.ens.fr/willow/teaching/recvis12/lecture1.pptx>

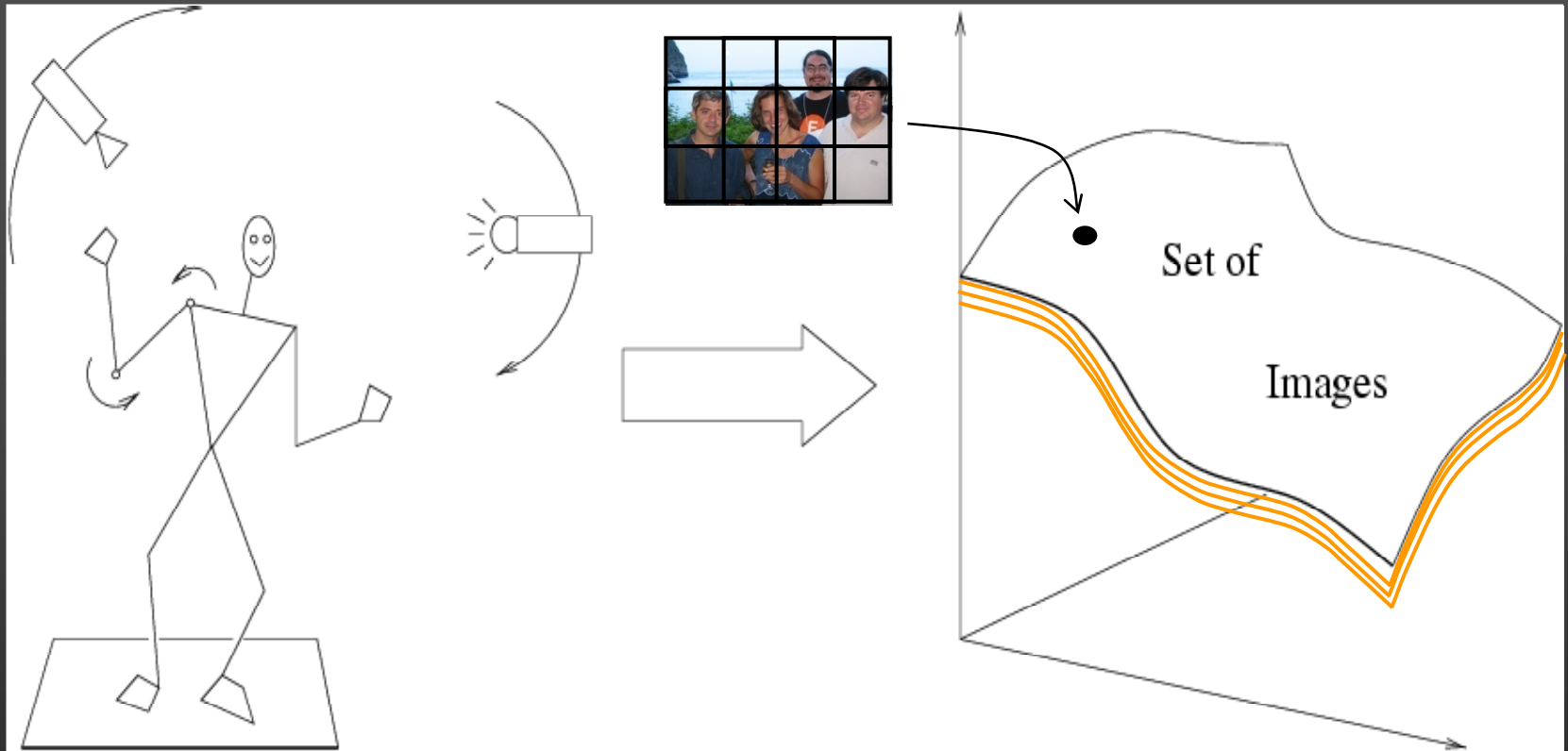
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Note: Much of the material used in this lecture is courtesy of Svetlana Lazebnik,

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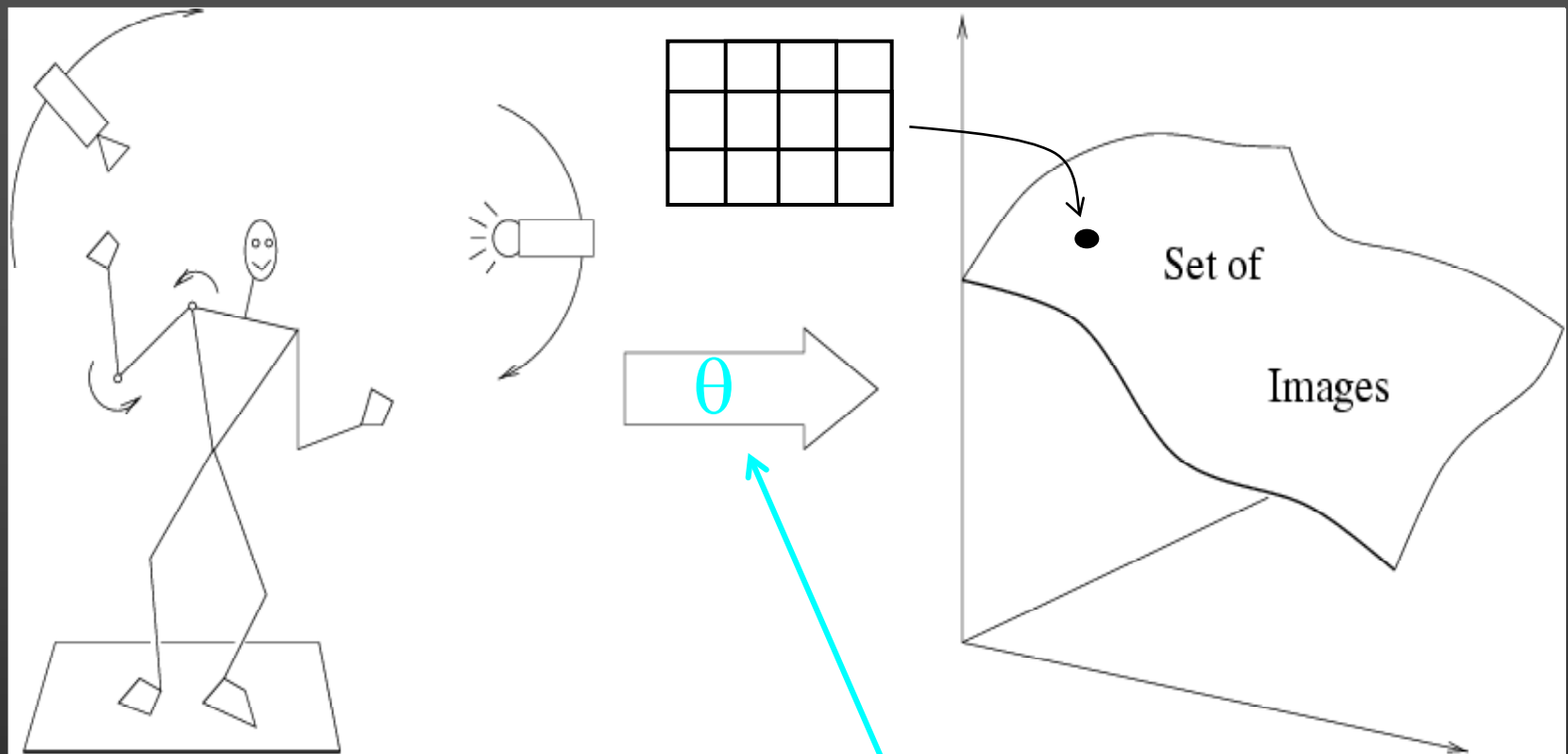
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Variability:

Camera position
Illumination
Internal parameters
Within-class variations



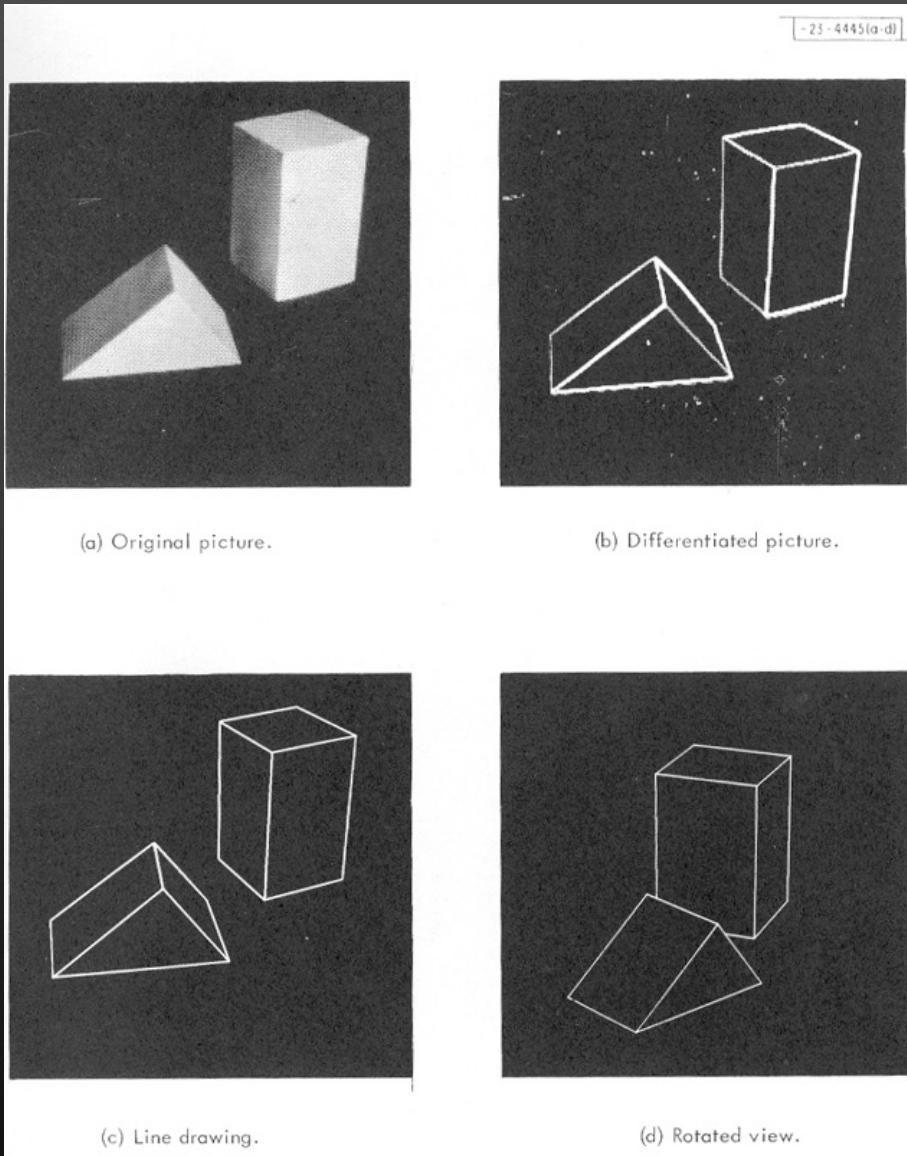


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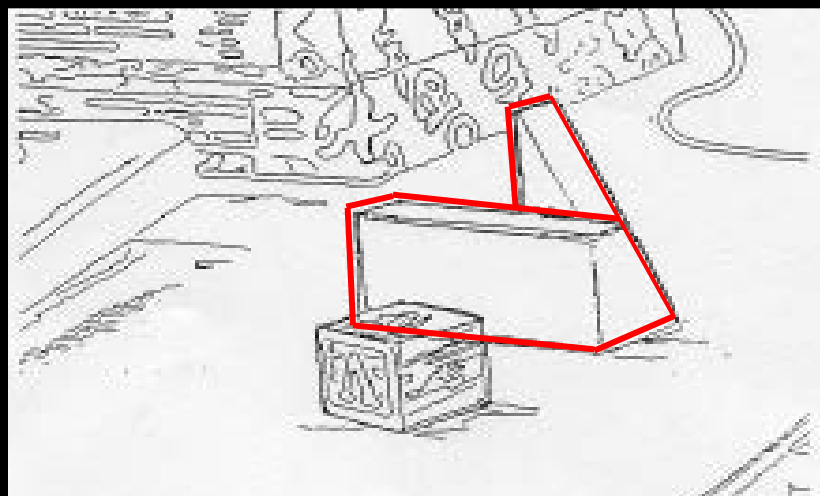
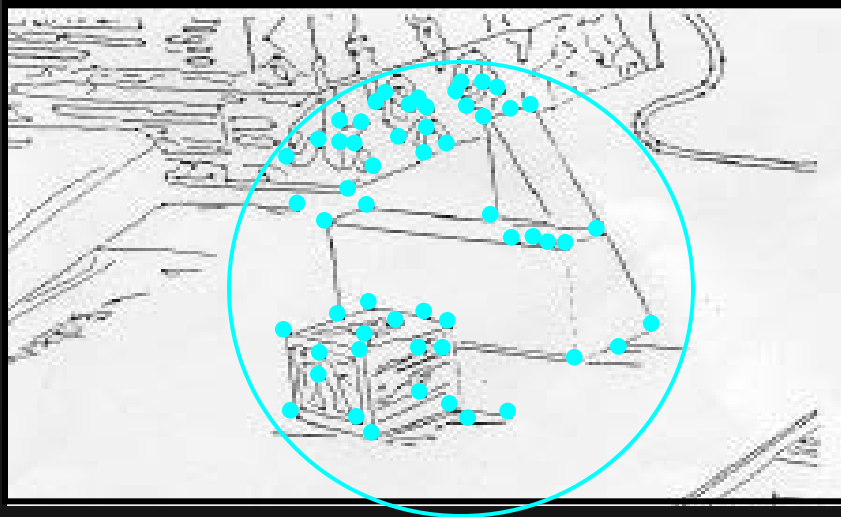
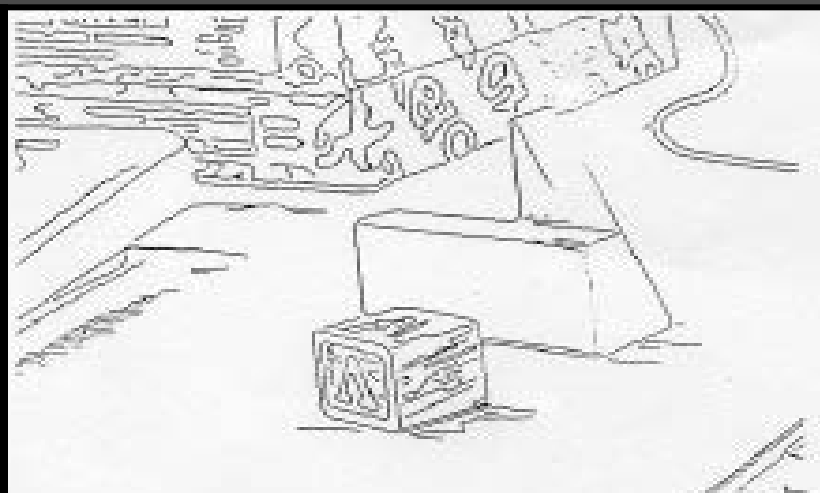
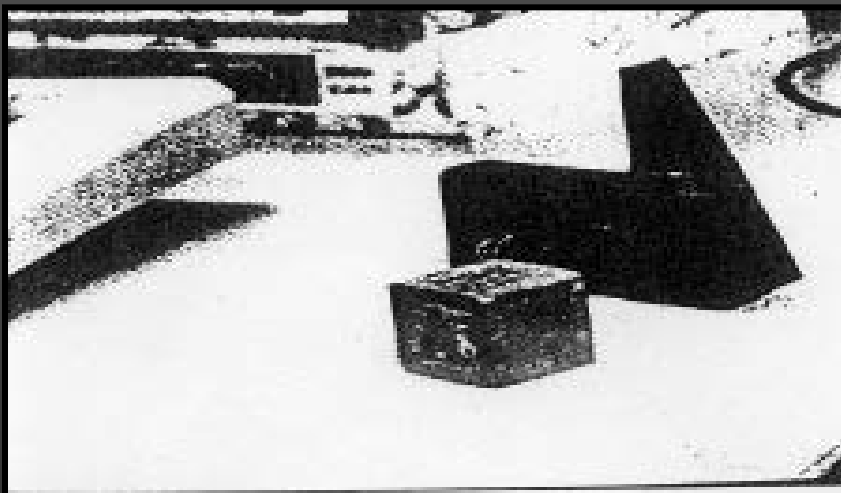
Roberts (1963); Lowe (1987); Faugeras & Hebert (1986); Grimson & Lozano-Perez (1986); Huttenlocher & Ullman (1987)

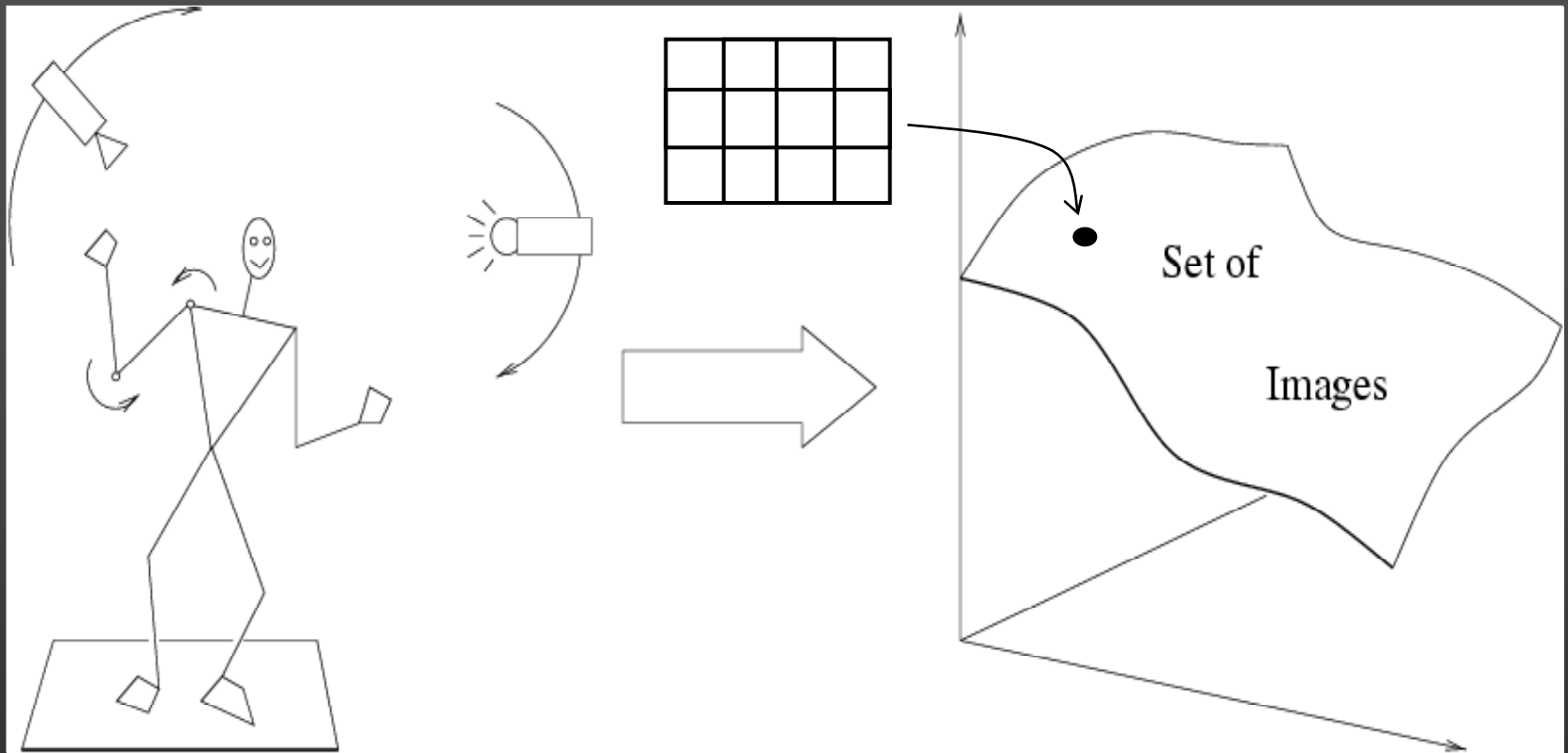
Origins of computer vision



L. G. Roberts, *Machine Perception of Three Dimensional Solids*, Ph.D. thesis, MIT Department of Electrical Engineering, 1963.

Huttenlocher & Ullman (1987)





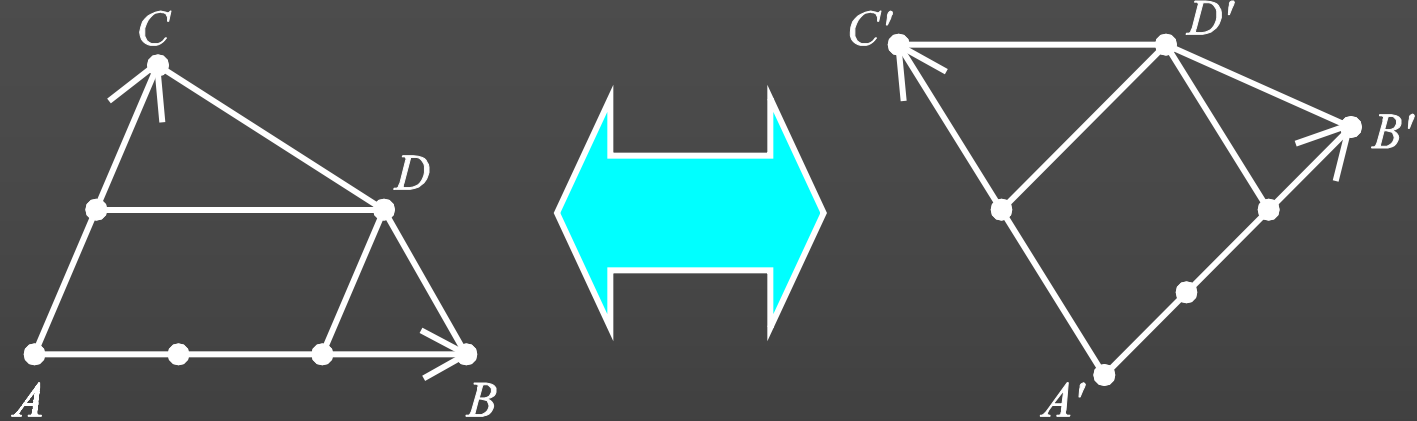
~~Variability~~

Invariance to:

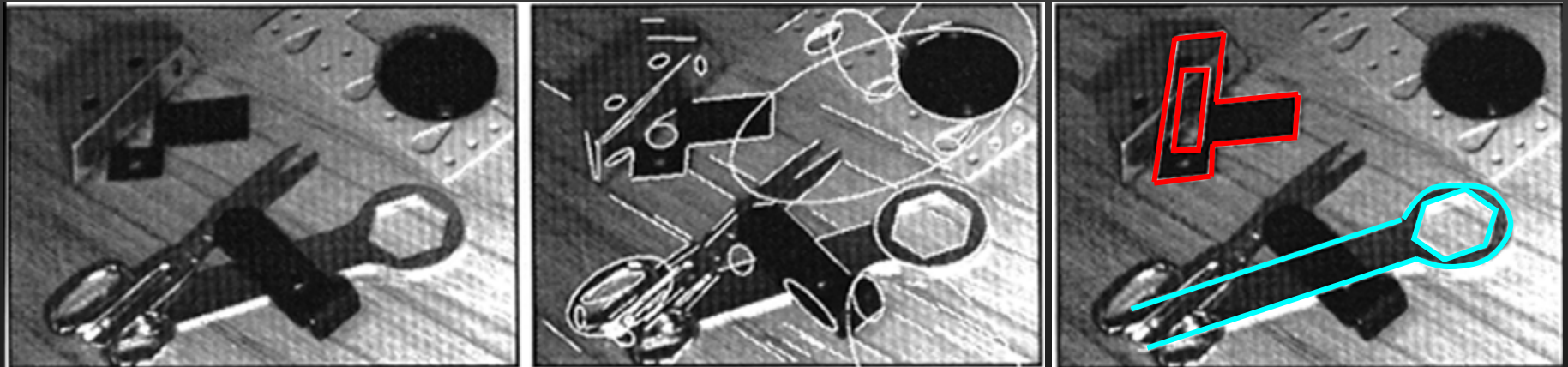
Camera position
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Duda & Hart (1972); Weiss (1987); Mundy et al. (1992-94);
Rothwell et al. (1992); Burns et al. (1993)

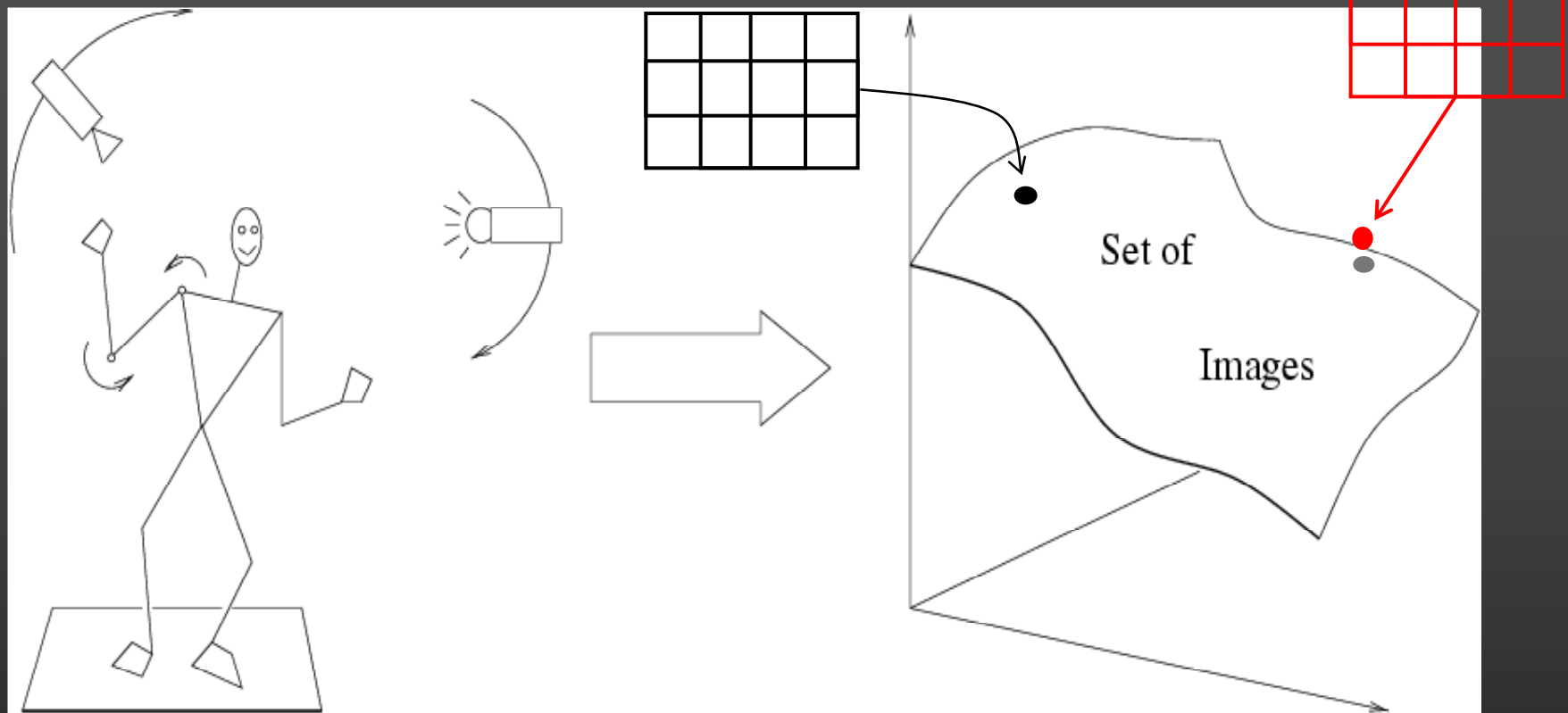
Example: affine invariants of coplanar points



Projective invariants (Rothwell et al., 1992):



BUT: True 3D objects do not admit monocular viewpoint invariants (Burns et al., 1993) !!



Empirical models of image variability:

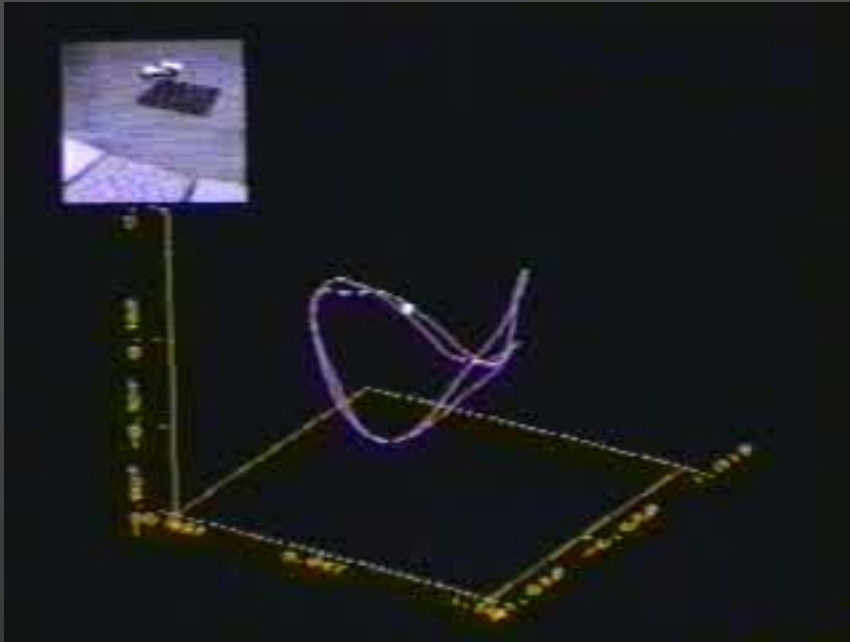
Appearance-based techniques

Turk & Pentland (1991); Murase & Nayar (1995); etc.

Eigenfaces (Turk & Pentland, 1991)



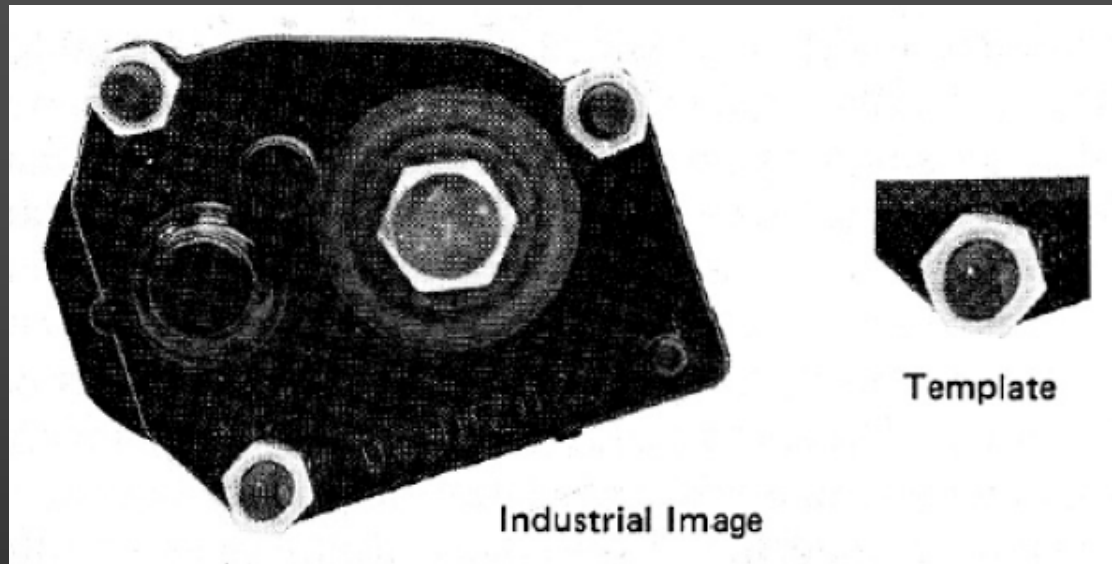
Experimental Condition	Correct/Unknown Recognition Percentage		
	Lighting	Orientation	Scale
Forced classification	96/0	85/0	64/0
Forced 100% accuracy	100/19	100/39	100/60
Forced 20% unknown rate	100/20	94/20	74/20



Appearance manifolds
(Murase & Nayar, 1995)



Correlation-based template matching (60s)

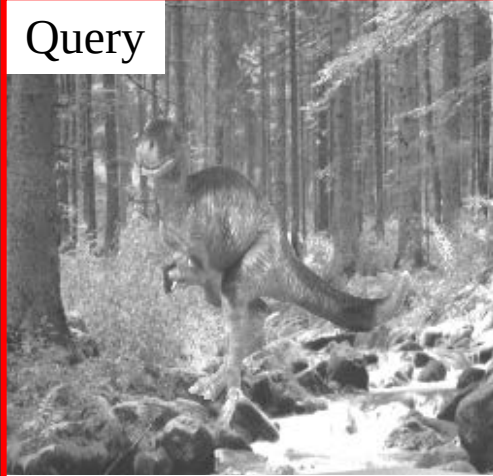


Ballard & Brown (1980, Fig. 3.3). Courtesy Bob Fisher and Ballard & Brown on-line.

- Automated target recognition
- Industrial inspection
- Optical character recognition
- Stereo matching
- Pattern recognition

In the late 1990s, a new approach emerges:
Combining *local* appearance, spatial constraints, invariants,
and classification techniques from machine learning.

Query



Retrieved (10° off)

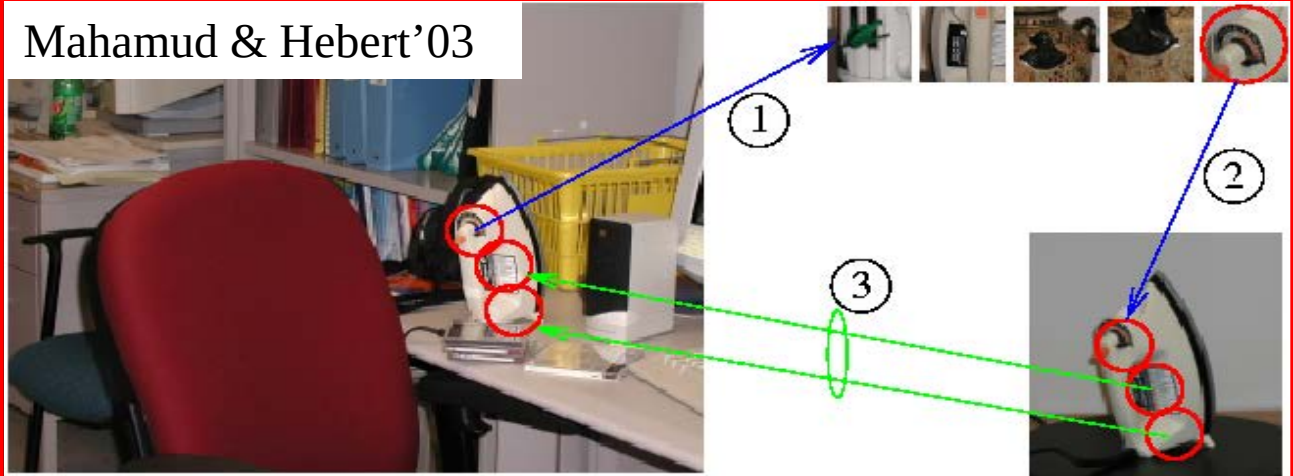


Schmid & Mohr'97

Lowe'02



Mahamud & Hebert'03



Late 1990s: Local appearance models



(Image courtesy of C. Schmid)

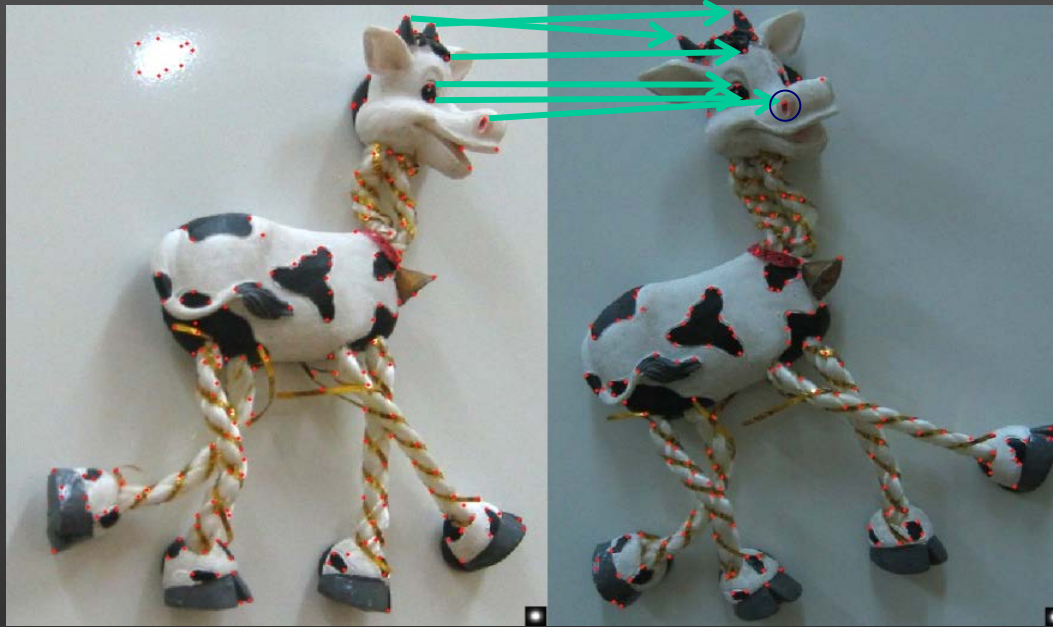
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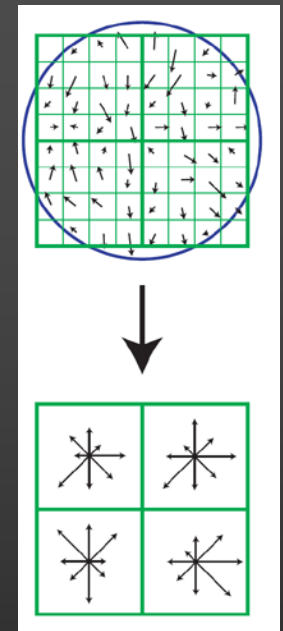
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Late 1990s: Local appearance models



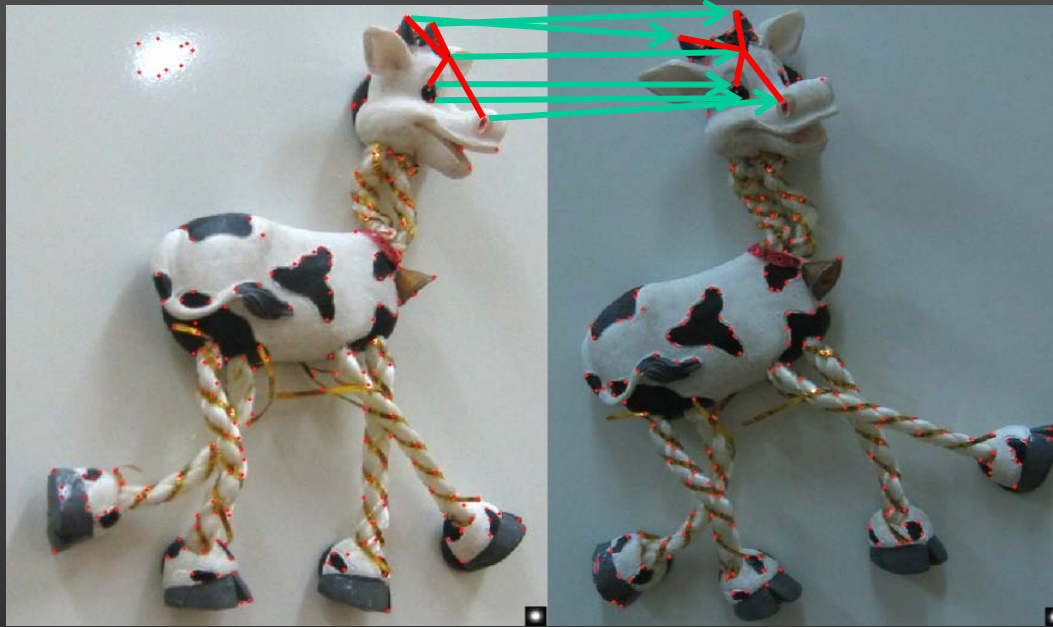
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(Lowe 2004)

- Find features (interest points).
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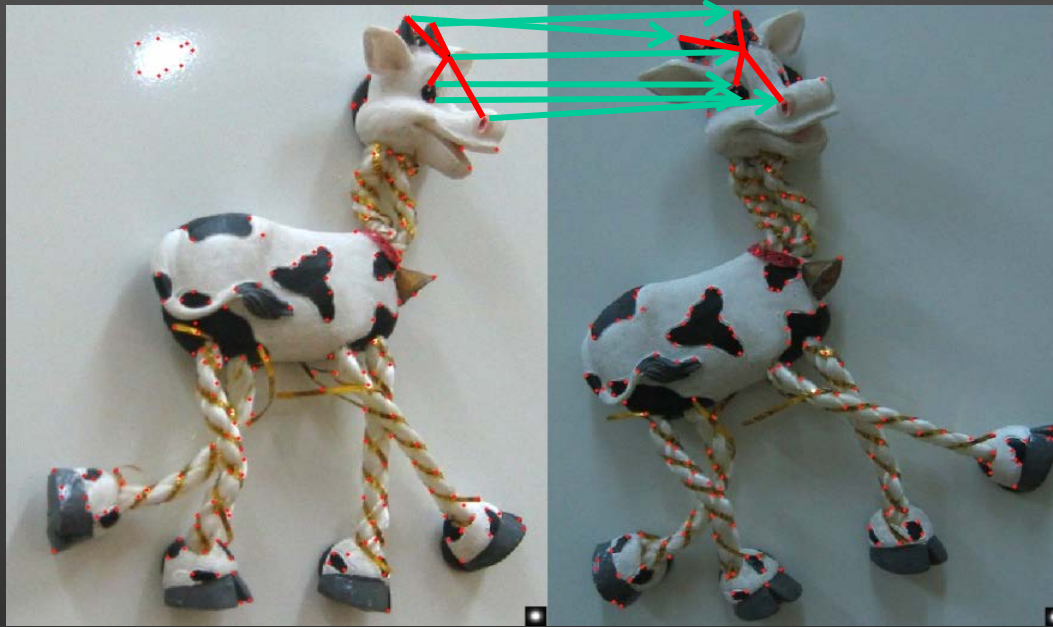
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- Optional: Filter out outliers using geometric consistency.
- Vote.

See, for example, Schmid & Mohr (1996); Lowe (1999); Tuytelaars & Van Gool, (2002); Rothganger et al. (2003); Ferrari et al., (2004).

Bags of words: Visual “Google”

(Sivic & Zisserman, ICCV’ 03)

“Visual word” clusters

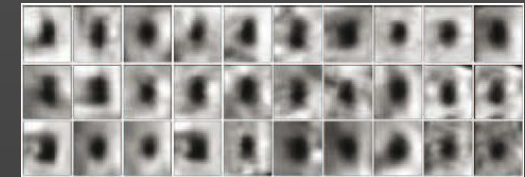
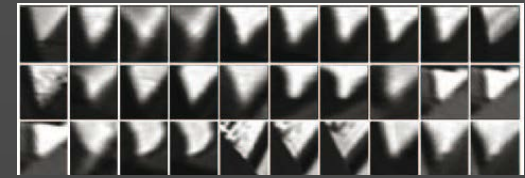
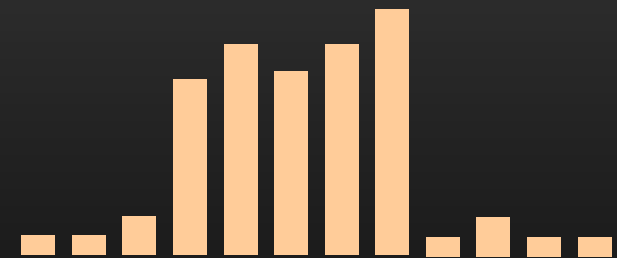


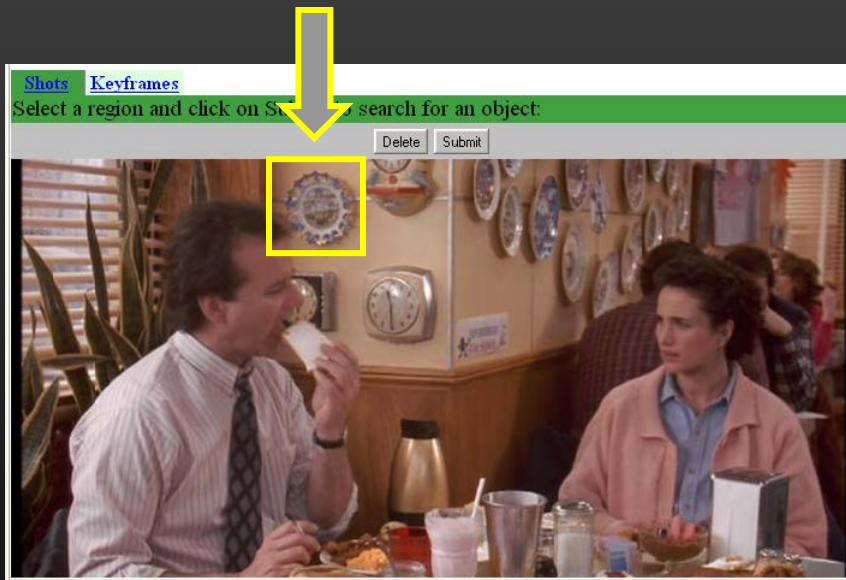
Image retrieval in videos



Vector quantization into histogram
(the “bag of words”)

Bags of words: Visual “Google” (Sivic & Zisserman, ICCV’03)

Select a region



Retrieved shots

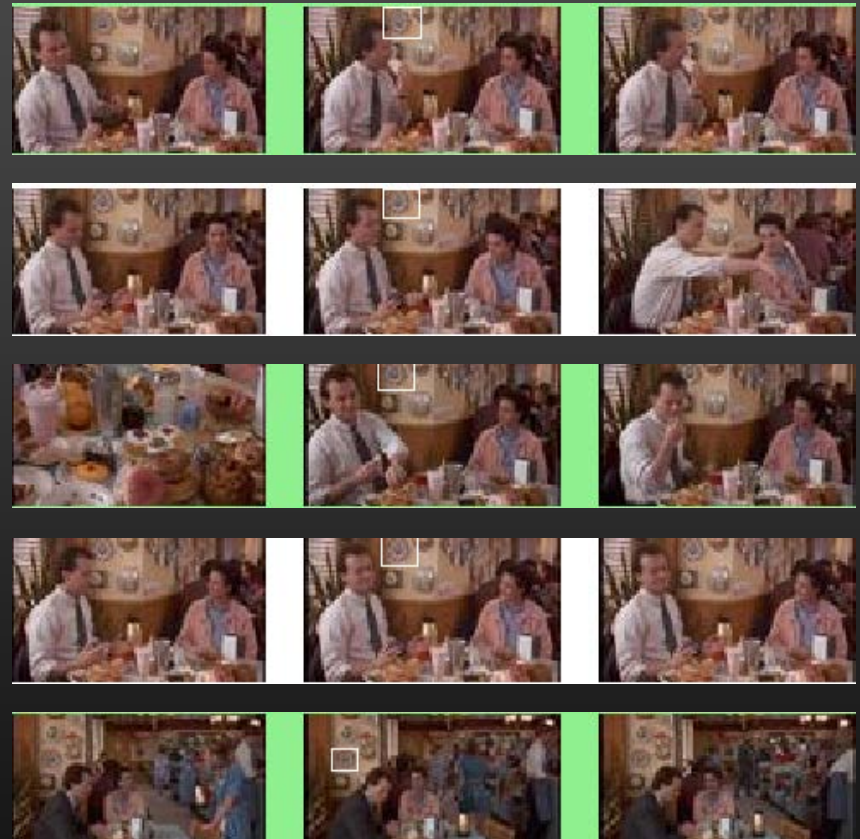
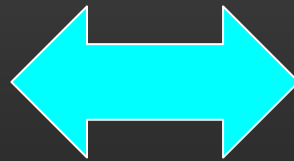
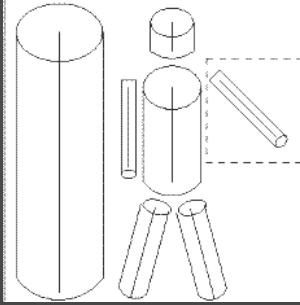


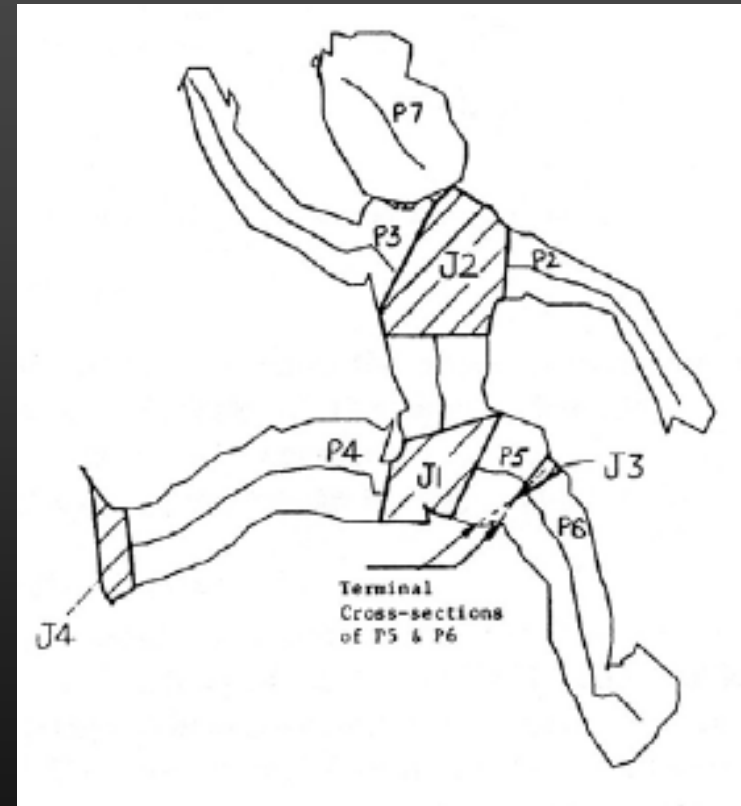
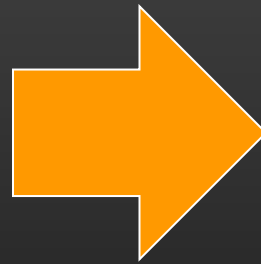
Image categorization is harder





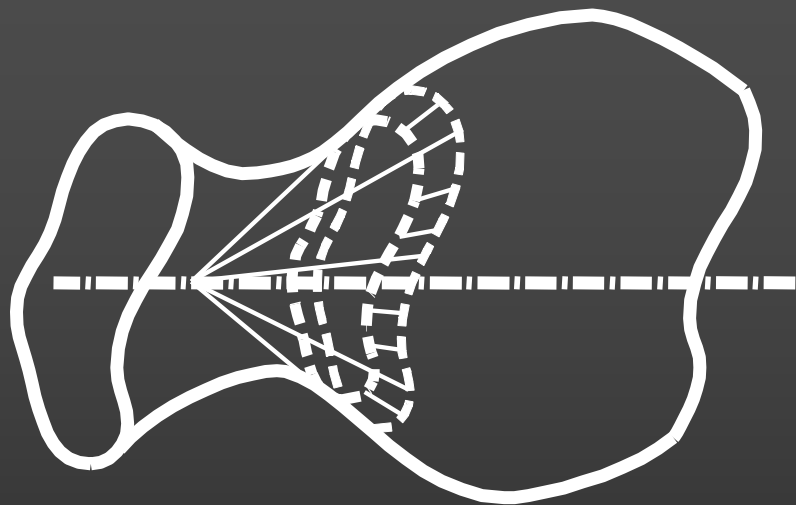
Structural part-based models

(Binford, 1971; Marr & Nishihara, 1978)

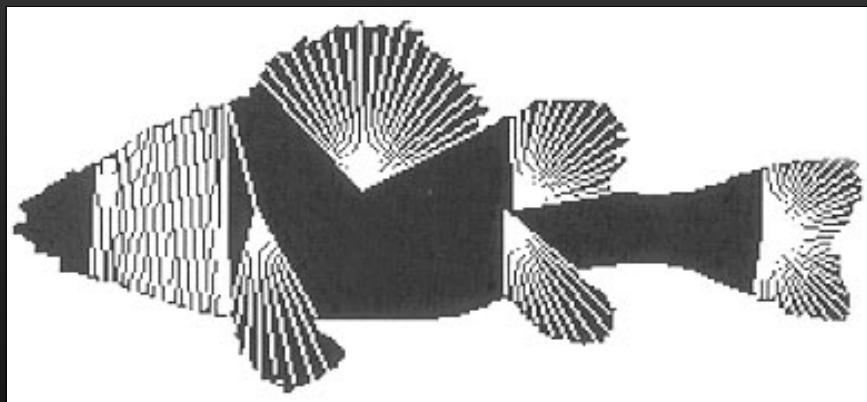


(Nevatia & Binford, 1972)

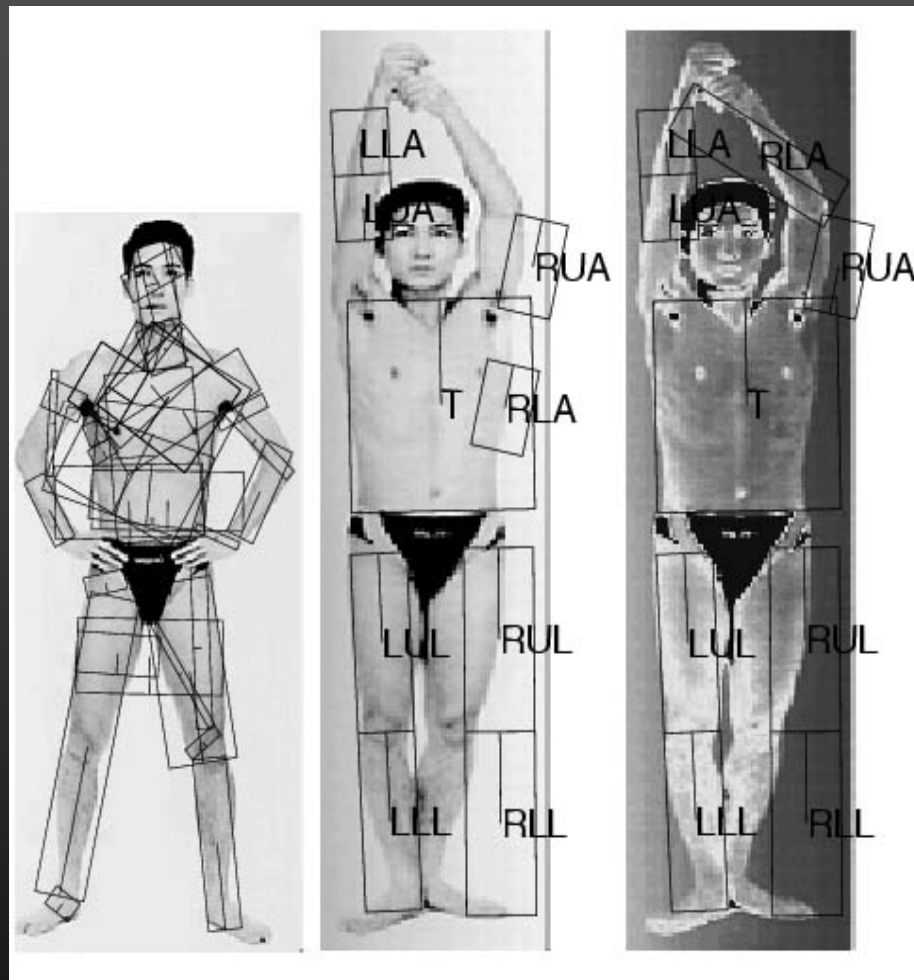
Helas, this is hard to operationalize



Ponce et al. (1989)

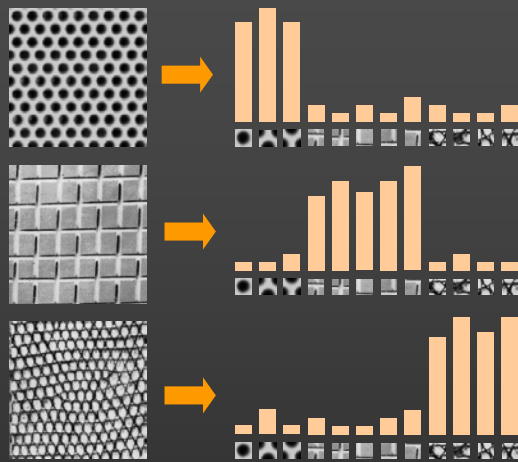


Zhu and Yuille (1996)



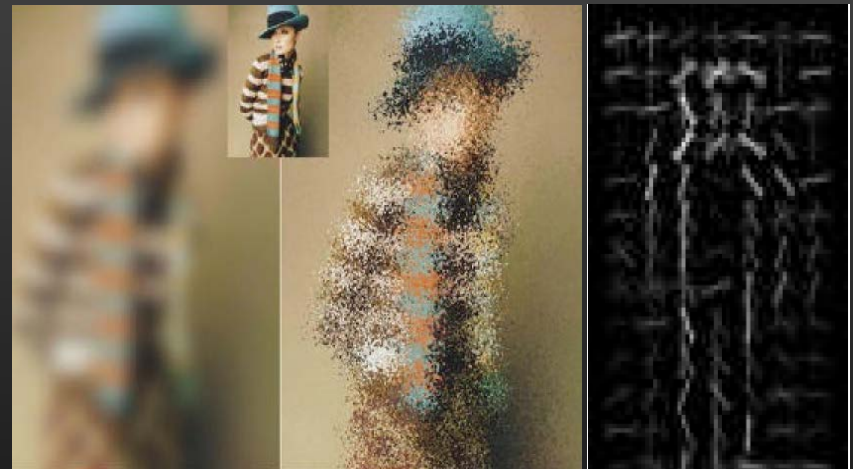
Ioffe and Forsyth (2000)

Bags of words and their variants have become the dominant model for image categorization



(Swain & Ballard'91; Lazebnik, Schmid, Ponce'03; Sivic & Zisserman,'03; Csurka et al.'04; Zhang et al.'06)

Locally orderless image models



(Koenderink & Van Doorn'99; Dalal & Triggs'05; Lazebnik, Schmid, Ponce'06; Chum & Zisserman'07)

Image categorization as supervised classification

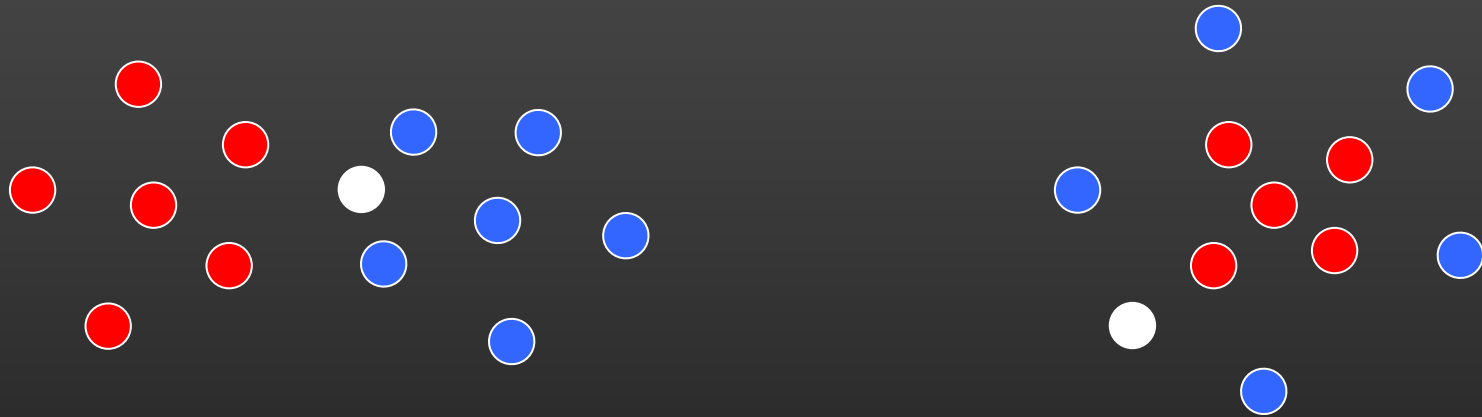


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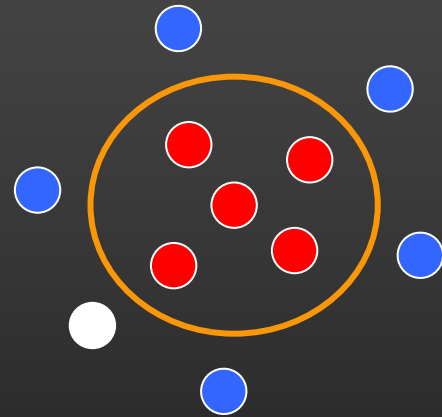
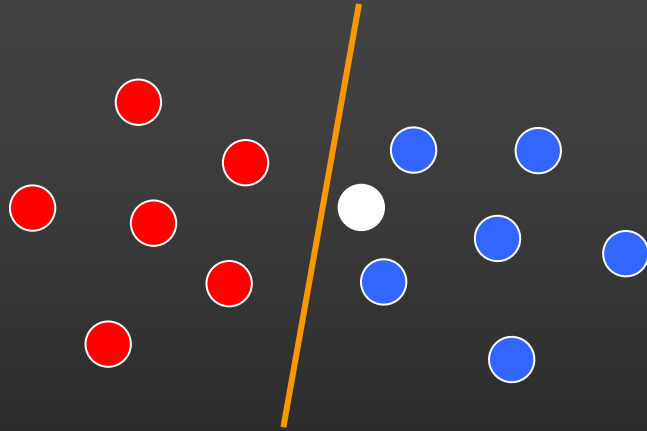


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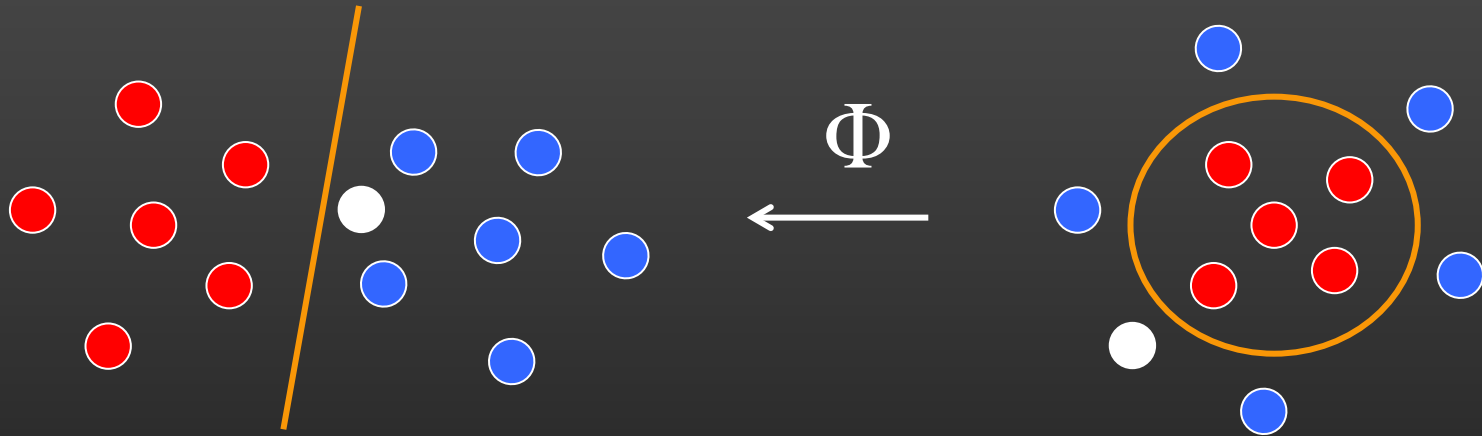
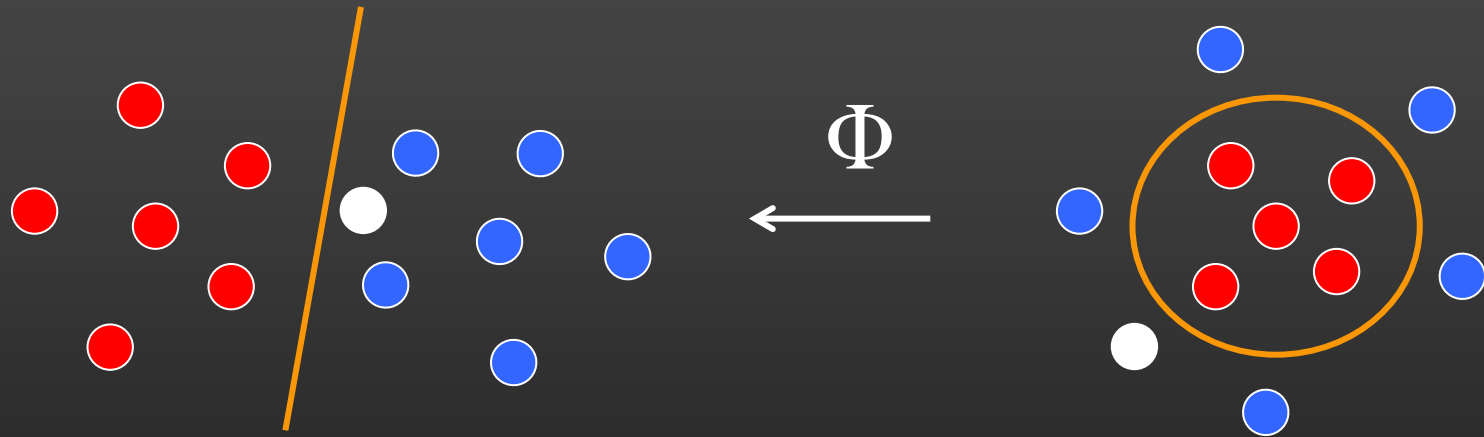


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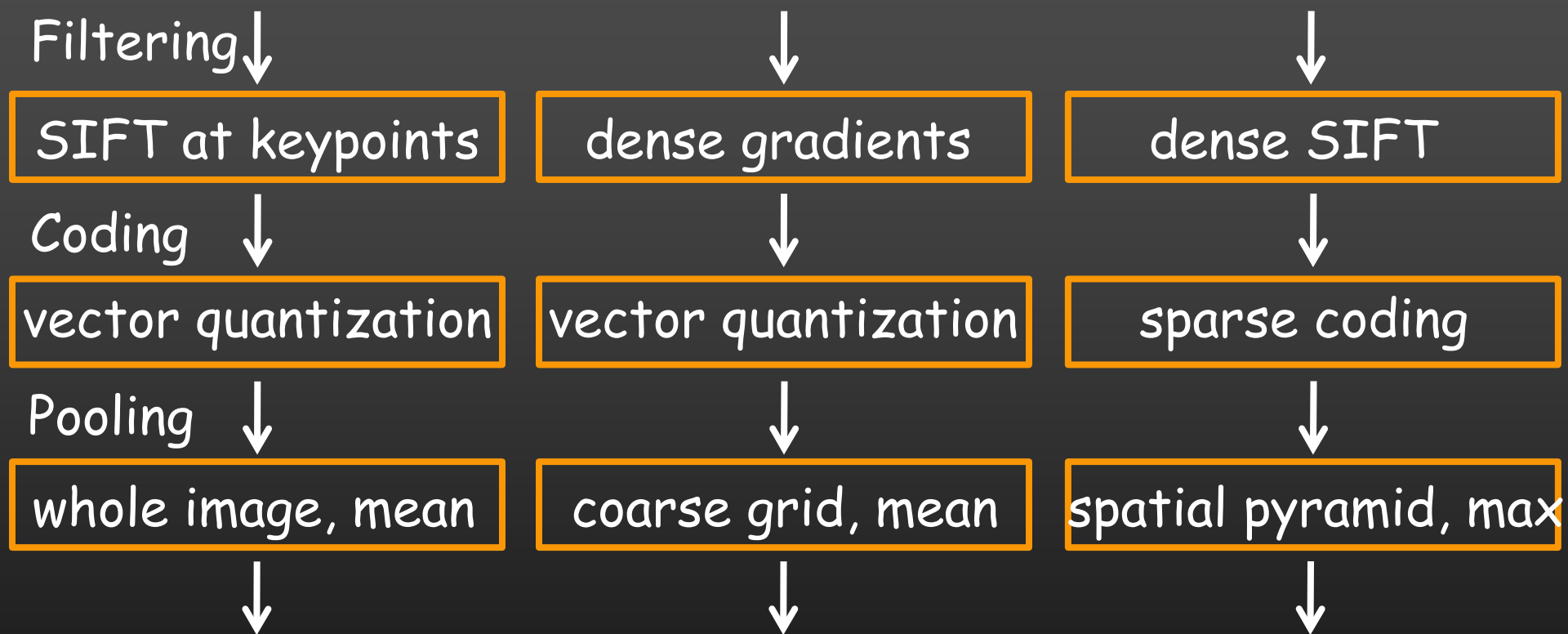


$$\min_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \sum_{i=1}^n \ell(y_i, f^\top \Phi(x_i)) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|f\|^2$$

➡ $k(x, y) = \Phi(x) \cdot \Phi(y)$

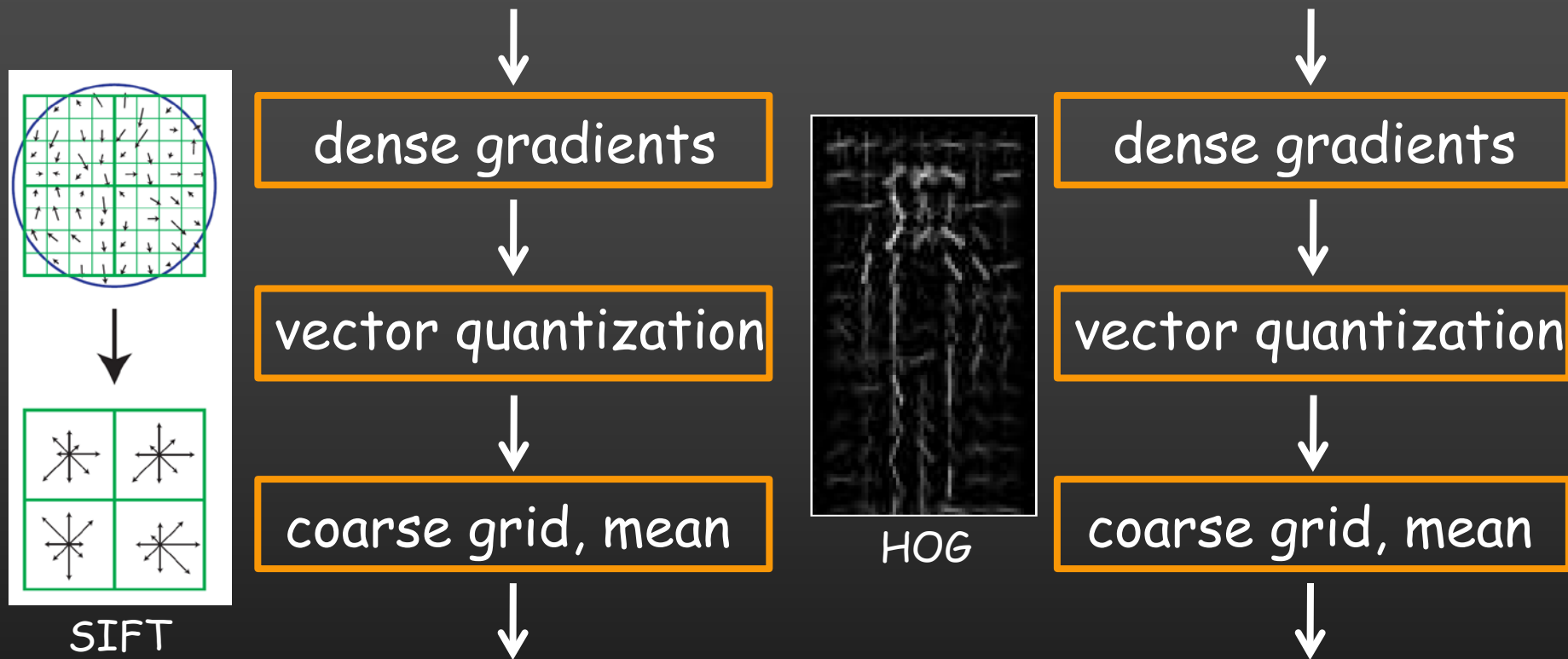
(Schölkopf & Smola, 2001; Shawe-Taylor & Cristianini, 2004; Wahba, 1990)

A common architecture for image classification



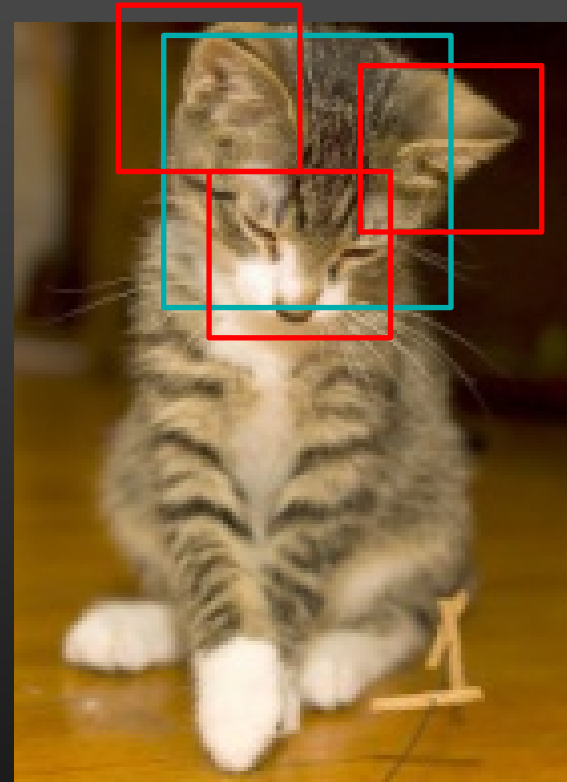
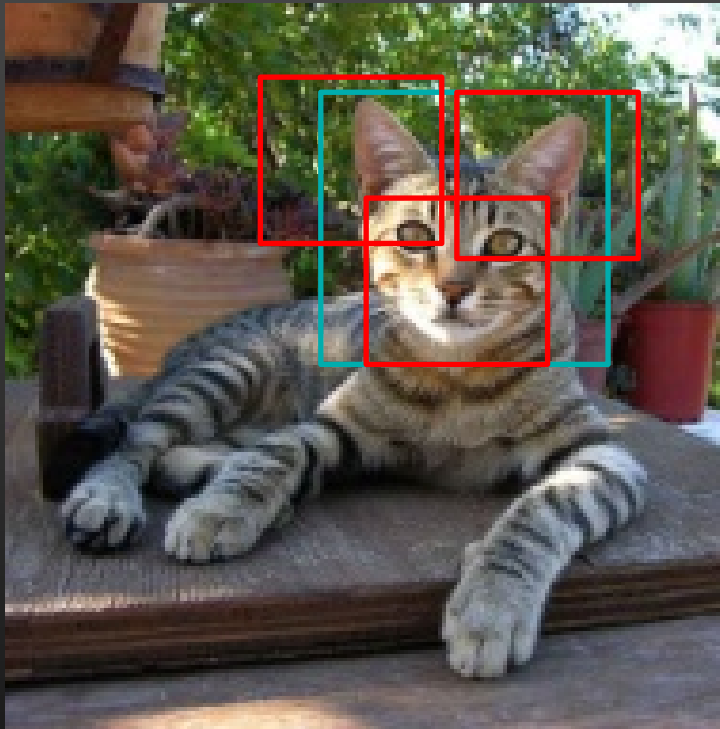
(Lowe'04, Csurka et al.'04, Dalal & Triggs'05)
(Yang et al.'09-10, Boureau et al.'10,
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Object detection (vue "d'artiste")



(A la Felzenszwalb, McAllester, Ramanan, 2008)

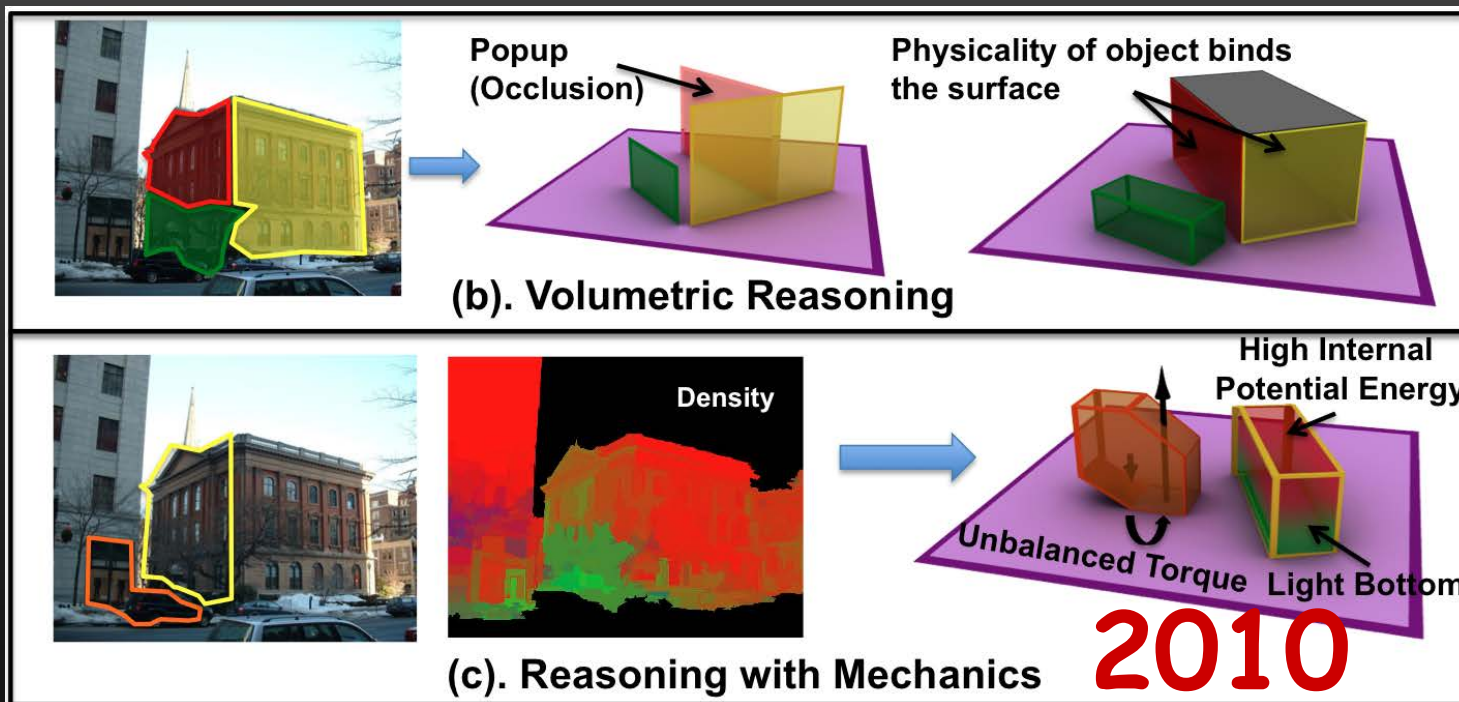
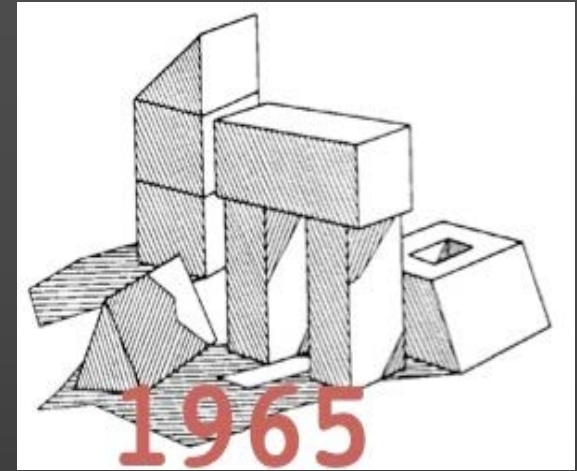
Sharing parts among aspects



(Kushal, Schmid, Ponce, CVPR'07)

What about scene understanding?

The blocks world revisited



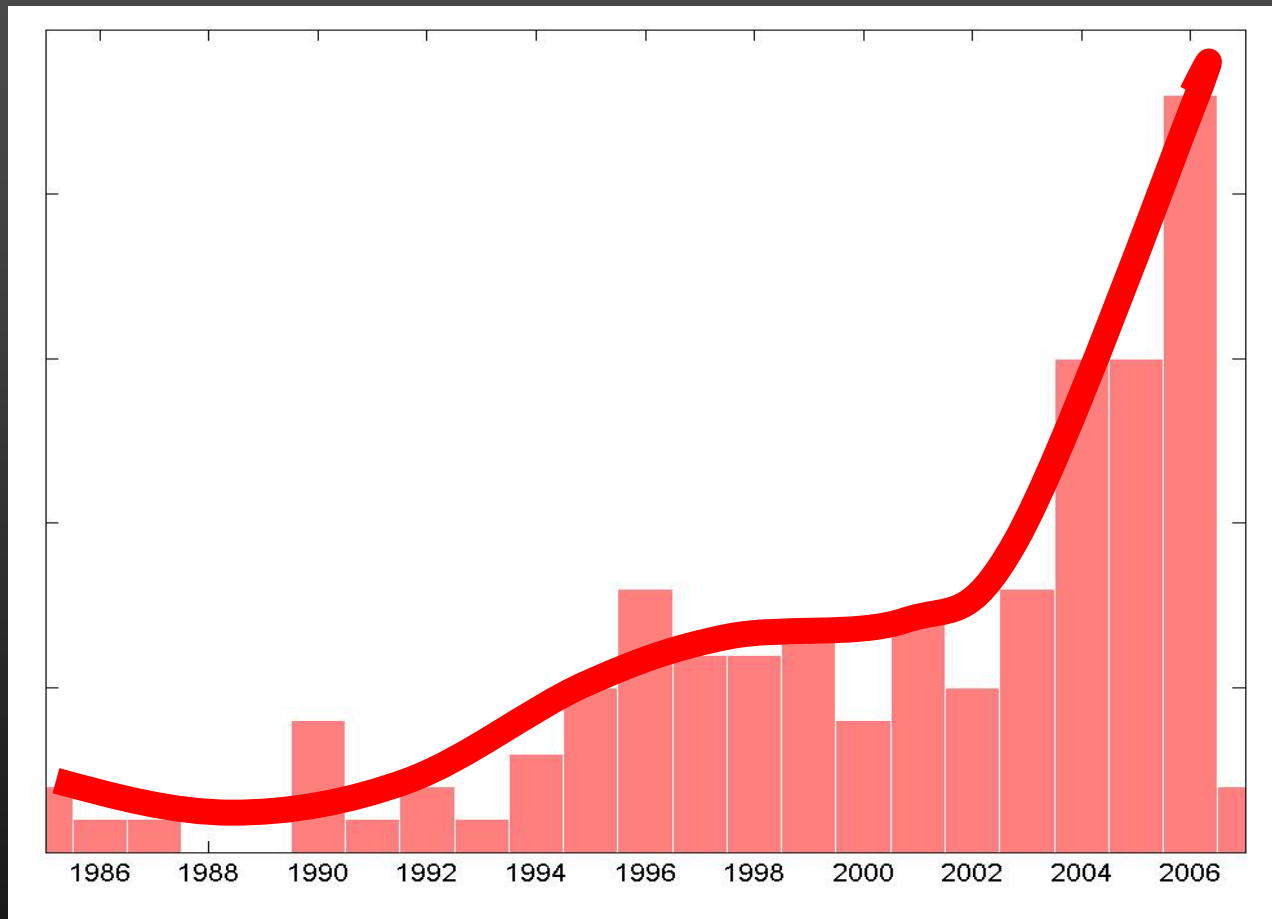
(Gupta, Efros, Hebert, ECCV'10)

And video of course..

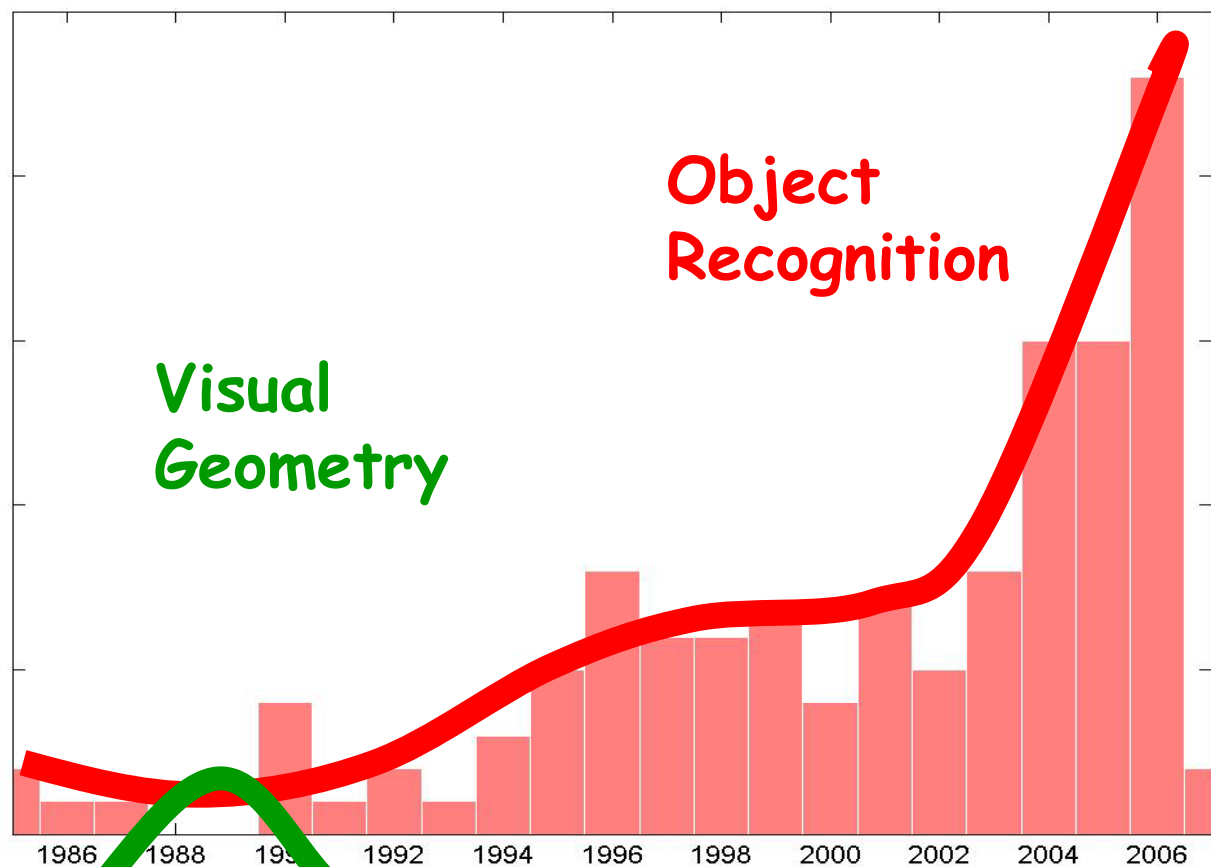
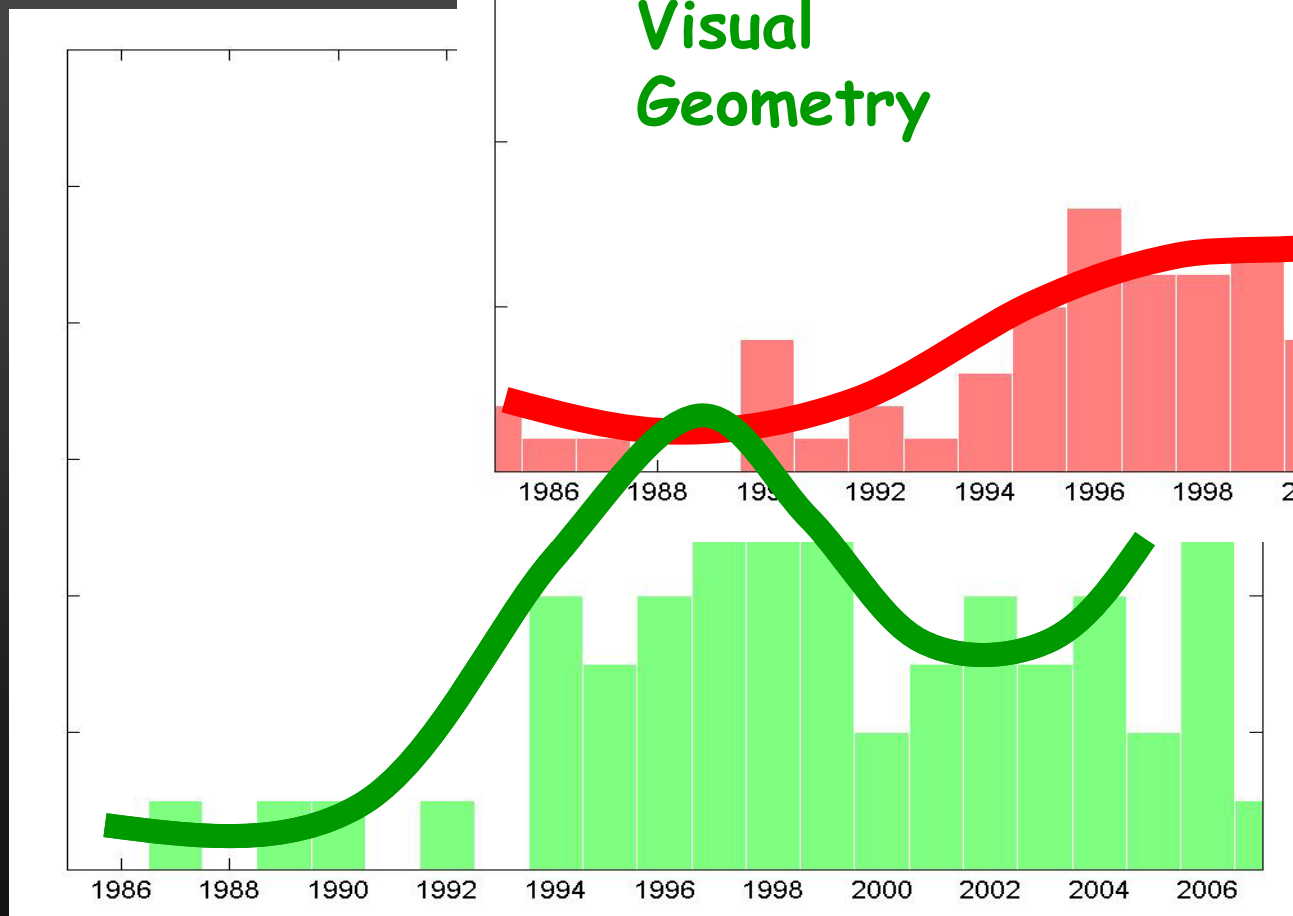


(Sivic, Everingham. Zisserman, CVPR'09)

Number of research papers with
key-words "object recognition",
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Numbers of papers
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Visual Geometry:

Problems: Camera calibration, 3D reconstruction, Structure and motion estimation



Matching, ...

Scale

c.



Outline

- What computer vision is about
- What this class is about
- A brief history of visual recognition
- A brief recap on geometry

