CS588: Deep learning Image Search Re-Ranking and Inverted Index

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Class Objectives

- Discuss re-ranking (i.e., post-processing) for achieving higher accuracy
 - Spatial verification
 - Query expansion
- Understand approximate nearest neighbor search
 - Inverted index and inverted multi-index
- At the last class:
 - CNN based image descriptors
 - Training losses, and data
 - Benchmarks



Descriptor processing with PCA

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = P^{\top}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)$$

$$P \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$$

eigen-vectors as columns

$$\mu \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

mean vector

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^d$$

global descriptor



[Jegou & Chum, ECCV'12]

Post-processing with whitening



learned end-to-end

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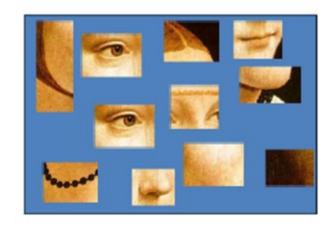


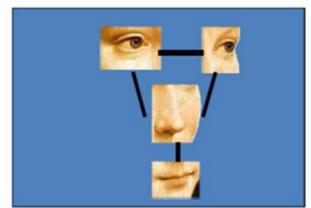
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https://github.com/filipradenovic/cnnimageretrieval-pytorch

Problems of BoW or Global Descriptors

- No spatial relationship between words
- How can we do better?

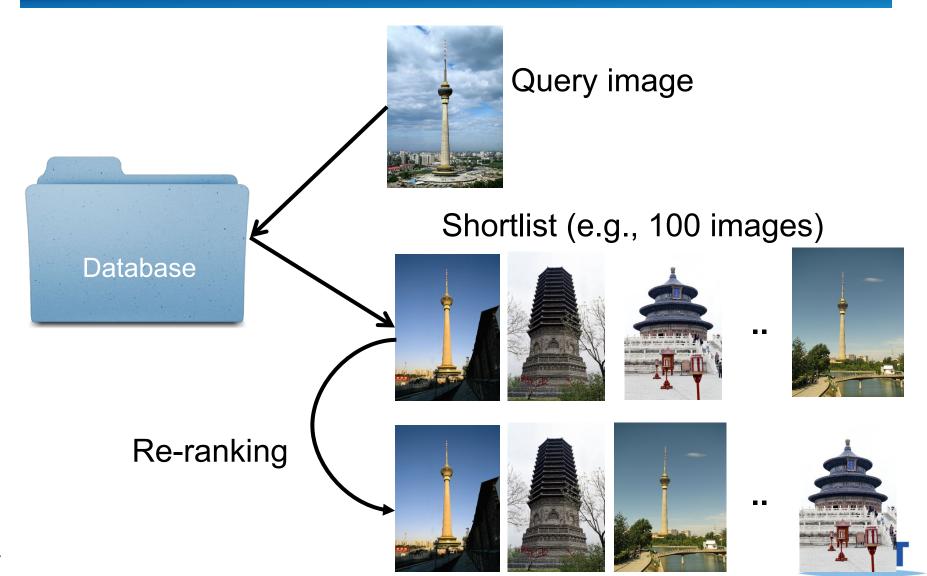




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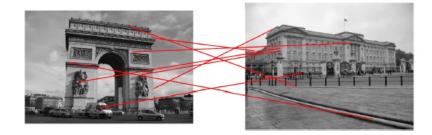


Post-Processing or Reranking



Post-Processing

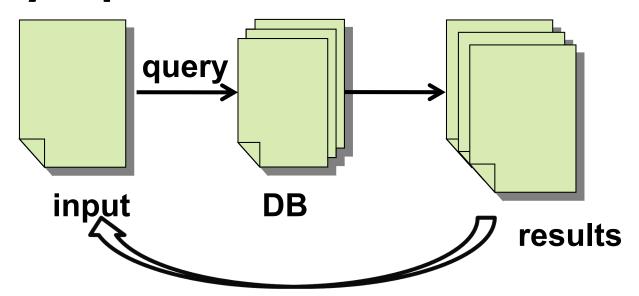
- Geometric verification
 - RANSAC



Matching w/o spatial matching

(Ack: Edward Johns et al.)

Query expansion



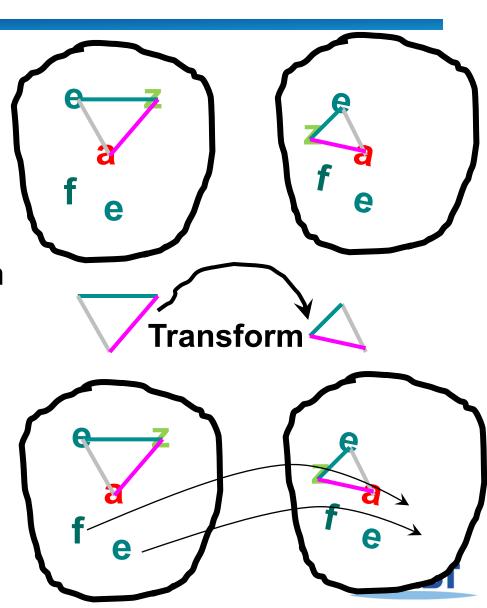


Geometric Verification using **RANSAC**

Repeat N times:

- Randomly choose 4 matching pairs

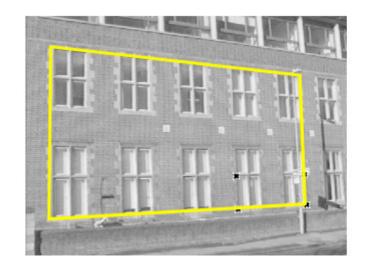
- **Estimate transformation**
 - Assume a particular transformation (Homography)
- Predict remaining points and count "inliers"

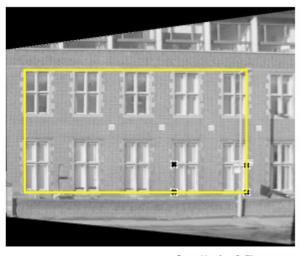


Homography

- Transformation, H, between two planes
 - 8 DoF due to normalization to 1

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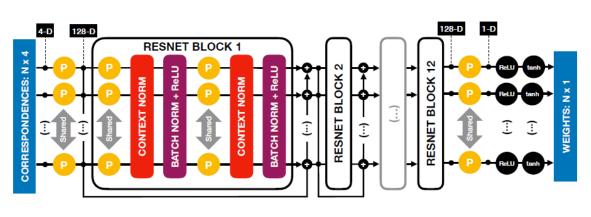


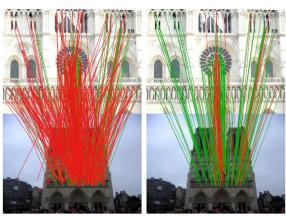


from Hartley & Zisserman

Learning to Find Good Correspondences, CVPR 18

- Given two sets of input features (e.g., SIFTs), return a prob. of being inliers for each feature
 - Adopt the classification approach being inlier or not
 - Consider the relative motion between two images for the loss function





(a) RANSAC

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(b) Our approach

Pattern matching

- Drones surveying city
 - Identify a particular car
- Related to tracking



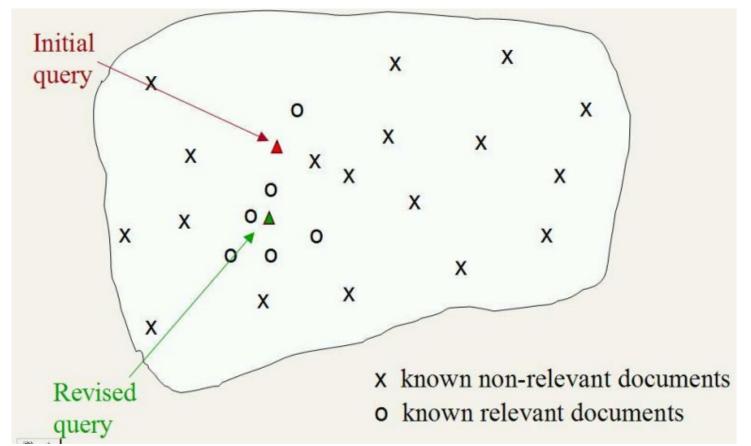






Query Expansion

 Use NN information to get more confident query



[Chum et al. ICCV'07]



Query Expansion



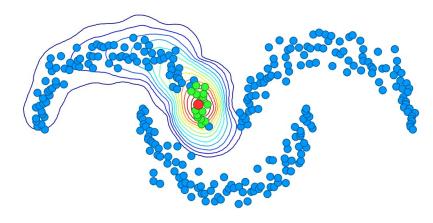
Original query

Top 4 images

Expanded results that were not identified by the original query

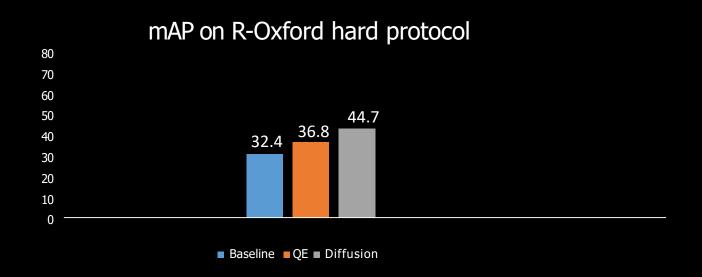
Diffusion (random walk) on Feature Space

- High dimensional feature is likely to have a manifold shape
- Identify related images by the diffusion process, i.e., random walks
 - Perform random walks based on the similarity between a pair of images
- Utilize k-Nearest Neighbor (NNs) of the query images



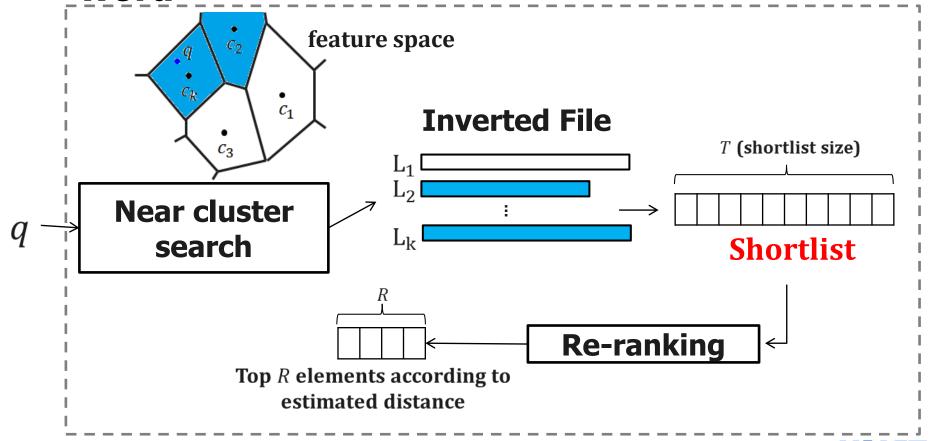
[Iscen et al. CVPR'19]

Performance comparison



Inverted File or Index for Efficient Search

For each word, list images containing the word



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Inverted Index

Construction time:

- Generate a codebook by quantization
 - e.g. k-means clustering



- Quantize each descriptor into the closest word
- Organize desc. IDs in terms of words

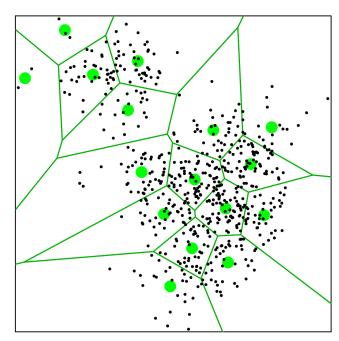
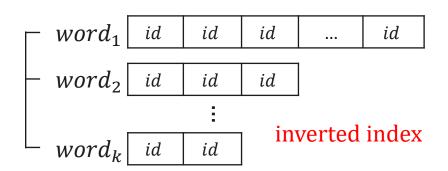


Figure from Lempitsky's slides



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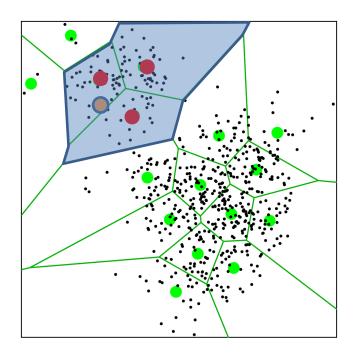
Inverted Index

Query time:

- Given a query,
 - Find its K closest words
 - Retrieve all the data in the K lists corresponding to the words

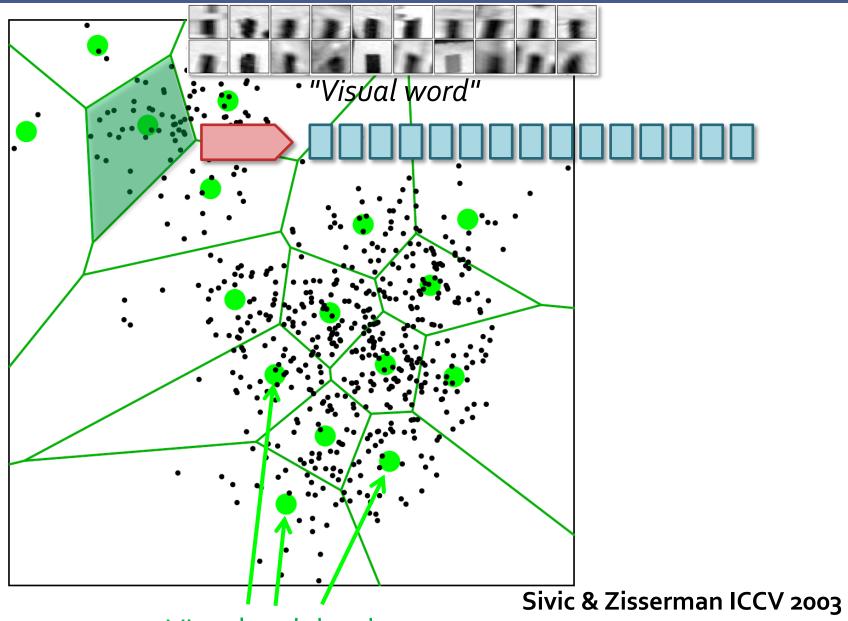


- Low quantization distortion
- Expensive to find kNN words



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The inverted index



Visual codebook

Approximate Nearest Neighbor (ANN) Search

For large K

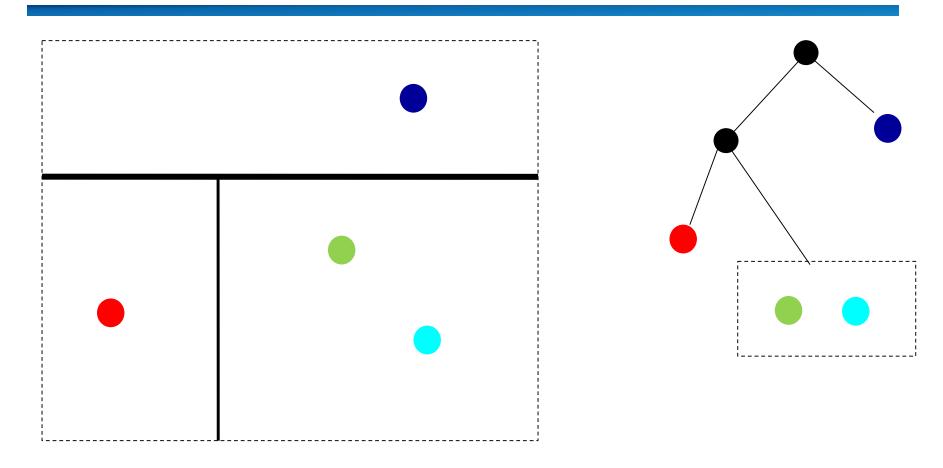
- Takes time to find clusters given the query
- Use those ANN techniques for efficiently finding near clusters

ANN search techniques

- kd-trees: hierarchical approaches for lowdimensional problems
- Hashing for high dimensional problems; will be discussed later with binary code embedding
- Quantization (k-means cluster and product quantization)



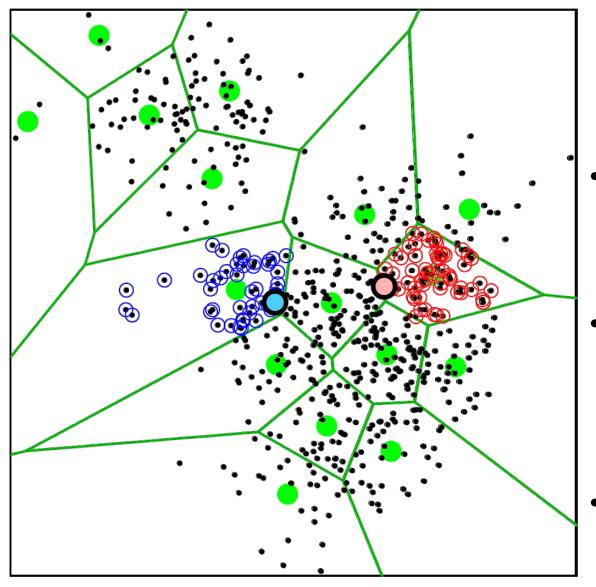
kd-tree Example



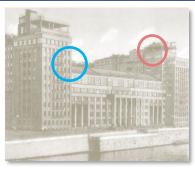
Many good implementations (e.g., vl-feat)



Querying the inverted index



Query:



- Have to consider several words for best accuracy
- Want to use as big codebook as possible



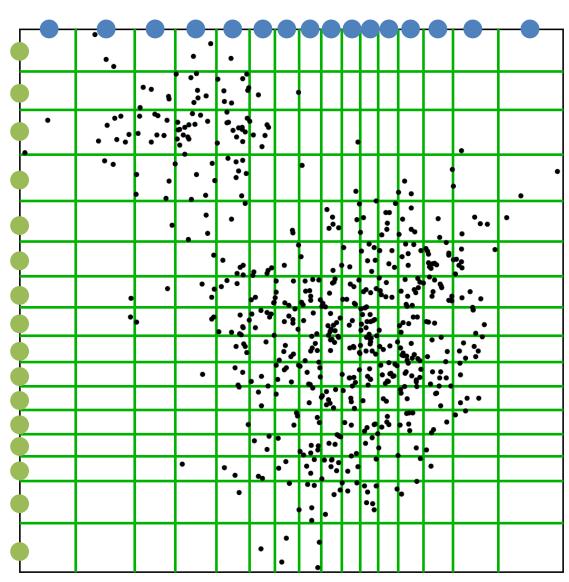
 Want to spend as little time as possible for matching to codebooks

Inverted Multi-Index [Babenko and Lempitsky, CVPR 2012]

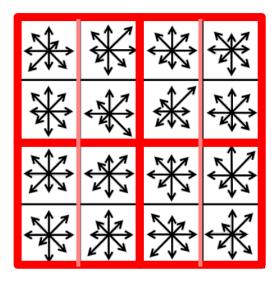
Product quantization for indexing

Main advantage:

- For the same K, much finer subdivision
- Very efficient in finding kNN codewords



Product quantization



- Split vector into correlated subvectors
- 2. use separate small codebook for each chunk

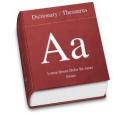
Quantization vs. Product quantization:

For a budget of 4 bytes per descriptor:



2. Use 4 different codebooks with 256 codewords each



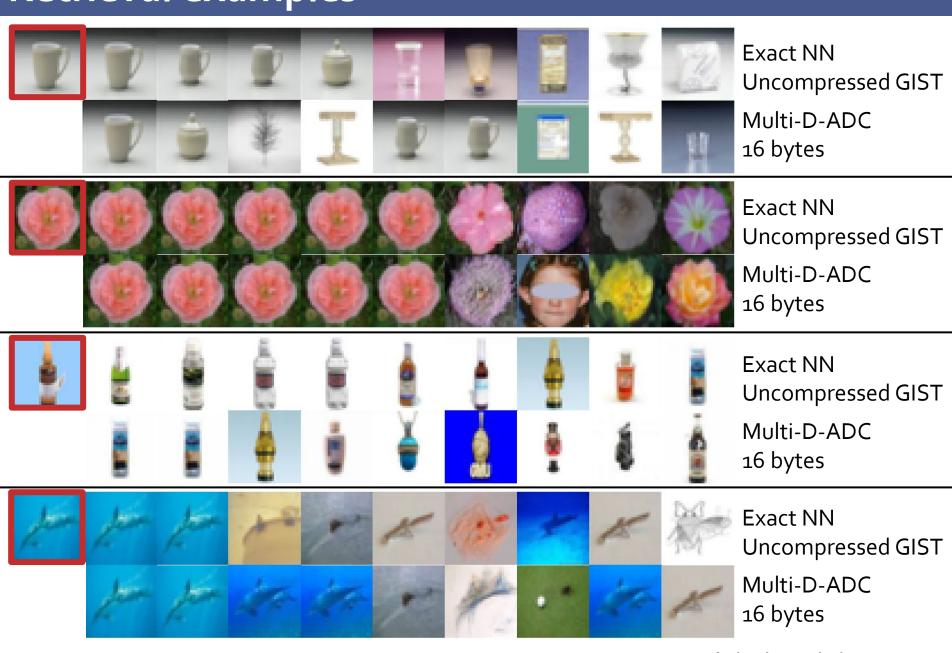


many minutes

128GB

< 1 millisecond 32KB

Retrieval examples



Scalability

- Issues with billions of images?
 - Searching speed → inverted index
 - Accuracy → larger codebooks, spatial verification, expansion, features
 - Memory → compact representations
 - Easy to use?
 - Applications?
 - A new aspect?



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Next Time...

Hashing techniques



Homework for Every Class

- Go over the next lecture slides
- Come up with one question on what we have discussed today
 - 1 for typical questions (that were answered in the class)
 - 2 for questions with thoughts or that surprised me
- Write questions 3 times

