# **Computer vision - Retrieval**

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• query vs. dataset image



• pairwise descriptor matching



• pairwise descriptor matching for every dataset image



• similar descriptors should all be nearby in the descriptor space



#### • let's quantize them into visual words



• now visual words act as a proxy; no pairwise matching needed



#### original images



#### local features



#### tentative correspondences: too many



#### inliers: now more expensive to find

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## **Oxford buildings dataset**

[Philbin et al. 2007]



Magdalen

Pitt Rivers

Radcliffe Camera

- Oxford5k: 5k images, 11 landmarks,  $5\times11=55$  queries,  $10\sim200$  positives/query
- Oxford105k: 100k additional distractor images

Philbin, Chum, Isard, Sivic and Zisserman. CVPR 2007. Object Retrieval With Large Vocabularies and Fast Spatial Matching.

## Paris dataset

#### [Philbin et al. 2008]



Defense



Moulin Rouge



Eiffel



Invalides



Musée d'Orsay



Notre Dame



Louvre

Pantheon



Pompidou



Sacré-Cœur



Triomphe

- Paris6k: 6k images, 11 landmarks,  $5\times11=55$  queries,  $50\sim300$  positives/query
- Paris106k: same 100k distractor images as Oxford

Philbin, Chum, Isard, Sivic and Zisserman. CVPR 2008. Lost in Quantization: Improving Particular Object Retrieval in Large Scale Image Databases.

#### Holidays dataset

[Jégou et al. 2008]



- personal holiday photos, natural and man-made scenes
- $1.5 \rm k$  images,  $500~\rm groups,~1~\rm query/group,~1000~\rm positives,~1 \sim 12~\rm positives/query$

Jégou, Douze and Schmid. ECCV 2008. Hamming Embedding and Weak Geometric Consistency for Large Scale Image Search.

#### neural codes for image retrieval



- fine-tuning by softmax on 672 classes of 200k landmark photos
- outperforms VLAD and Fisher vectors on standard retrieval benchmarks, but still inferior to SIFT local descriptors

Babenko, Slesarev, Chigorin, Lempitsky. ECCV 2014. Neural Codes for Image Retrieval.

## regional CNN features

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#### • input image



• receptive fields of nonzero elements of the 10 channels with the highest sparsity-sensitive weights

# manifold learning

#### siamese architecture

[Chopra et al. 2005]

 $\mathbf{x}_i$   $\mathbf{x}_j$ 

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## graph-based methods

#### ranking on manifolds: single query



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iteration × 30


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#### • query (anchor) $(\mathbf{x})$

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# Conclusion

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