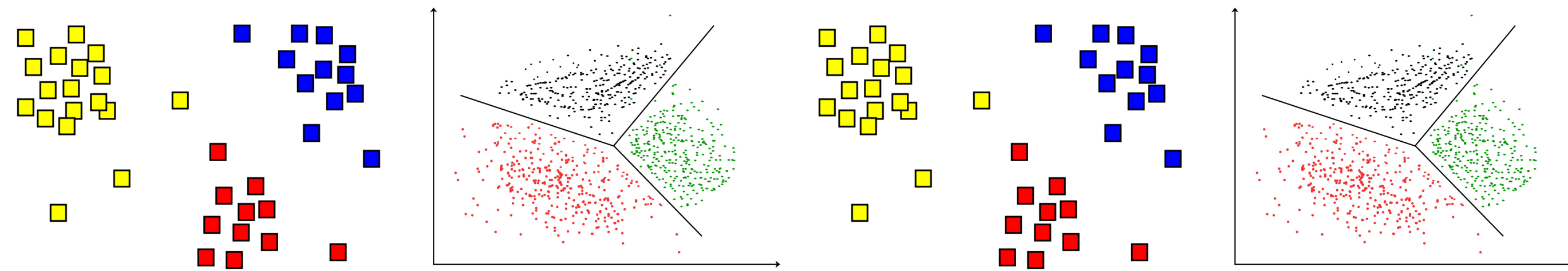


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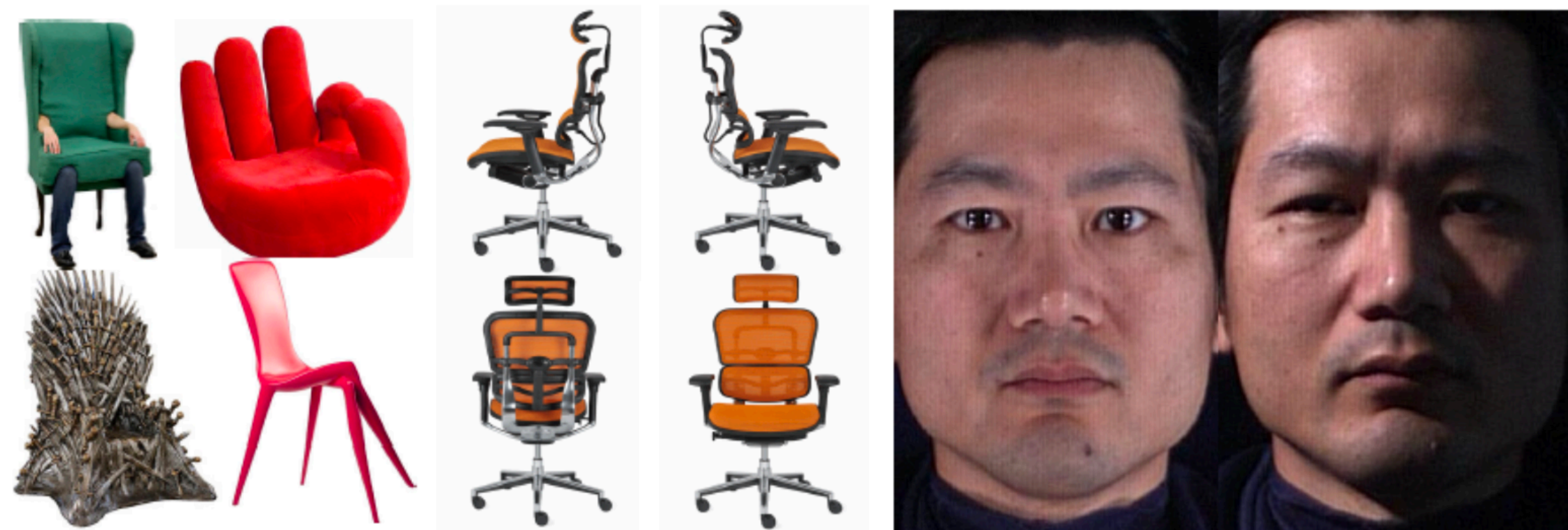


Lecture 18: Image Classification

Image Classification

We next discuss **image classification**, where we pass a whole image into a classifier and obtain a class label as output.

What Makes Image Classification **Hard**?



Intra-class variation, viewpoint, illumination, clutter, and occlusion (among others!)

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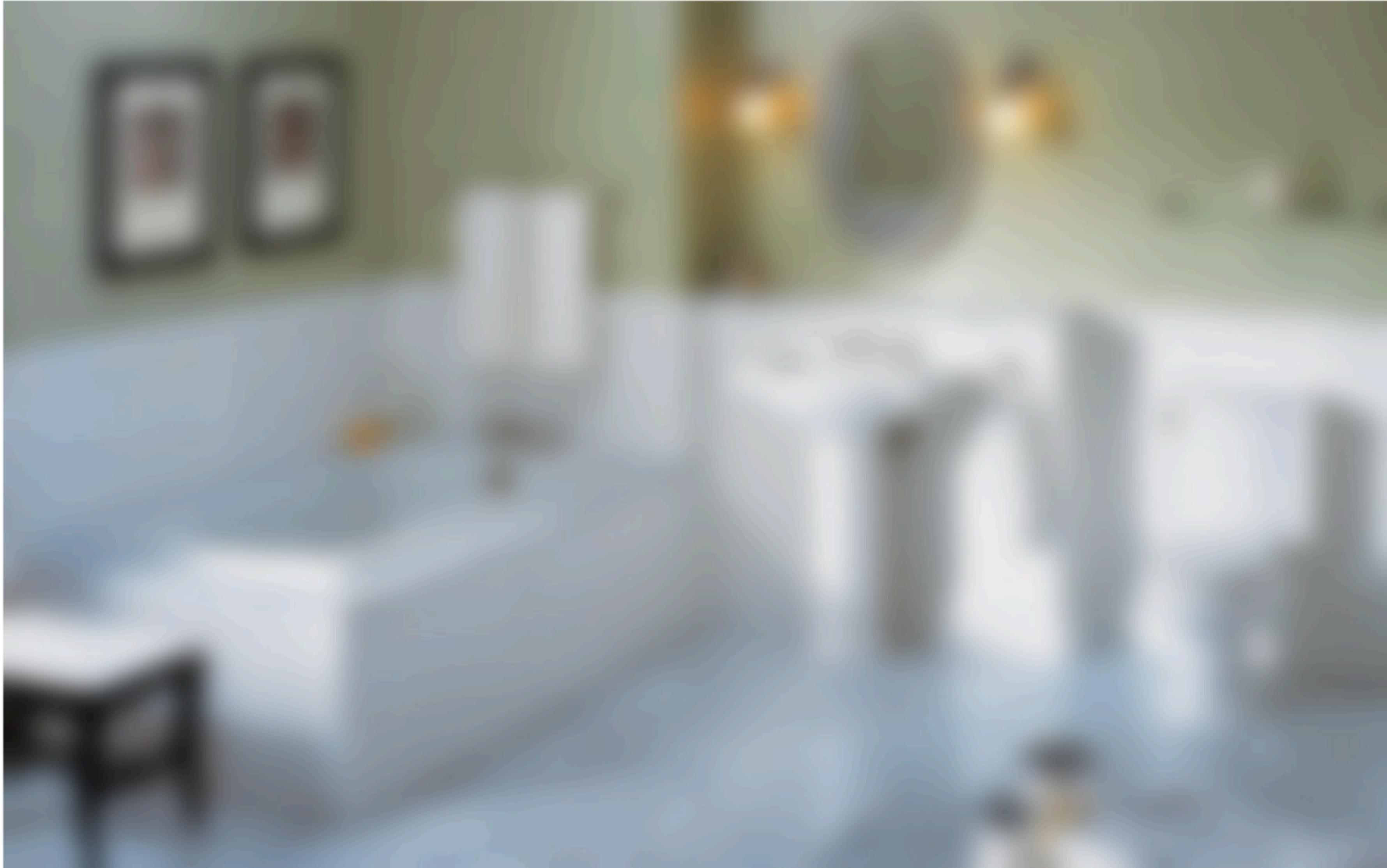
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Visual perception is influenced by expectation. Our expectations are often conditioned on the **context**.

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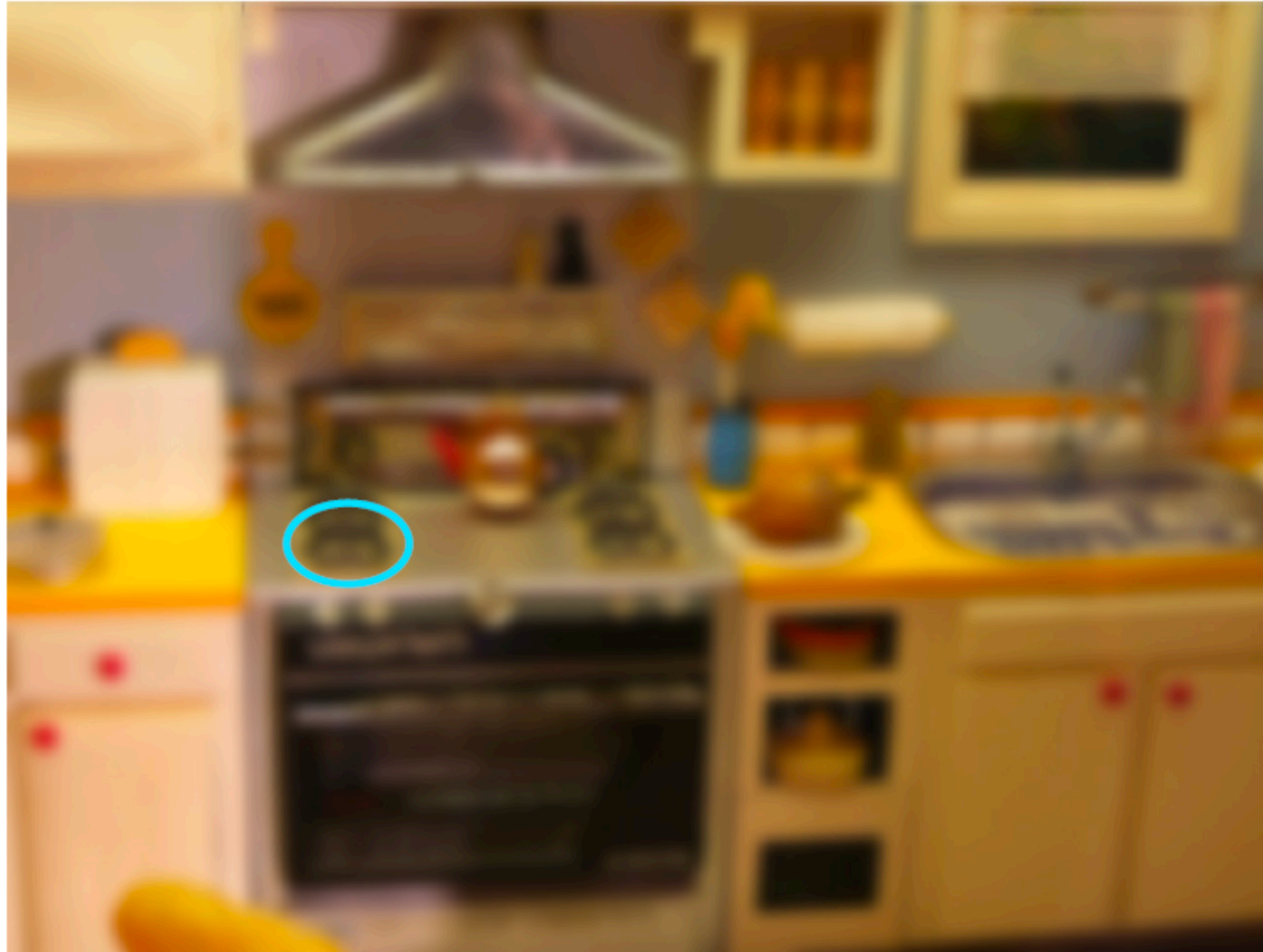
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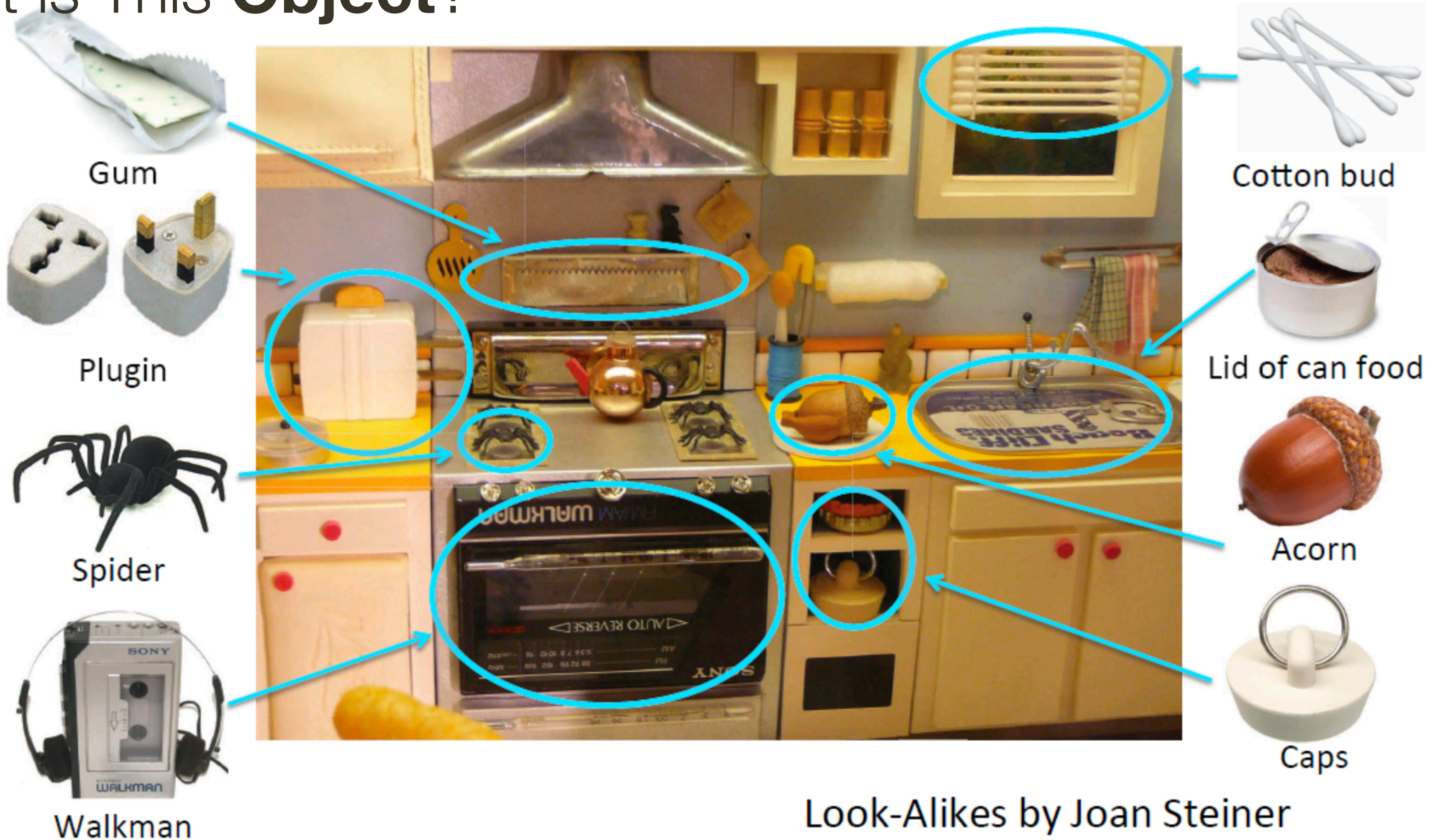
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Look-Alikes by Joan Steiner

Figure source: Jianxiong Xiao

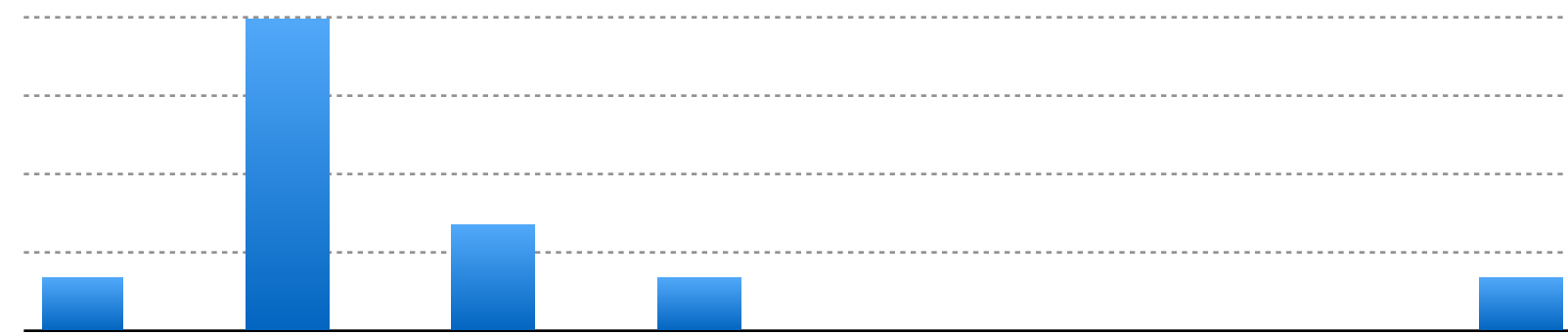
Visual **Words**

Many algorithms for image classification accumulate evidence on the basis of **visual words**.

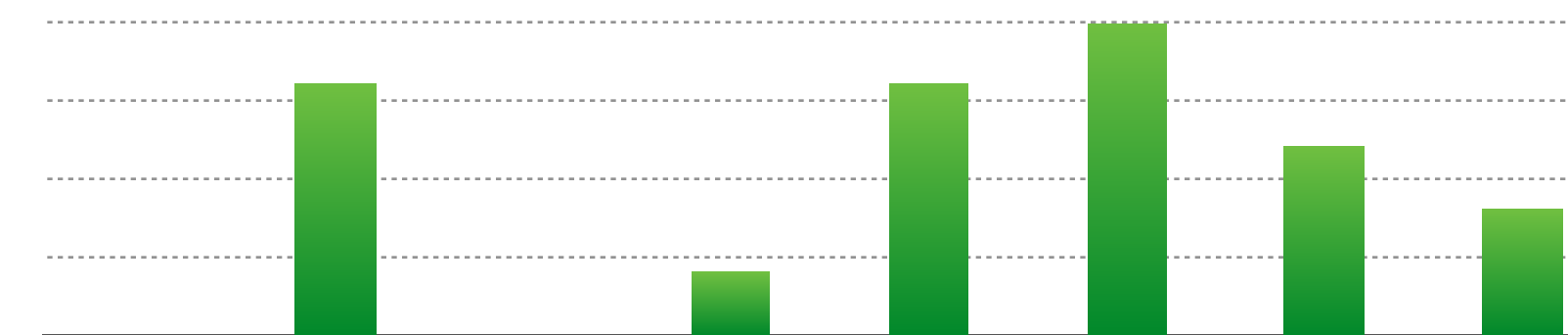
To classify a text document (e.g. as an article on sports, entertainment, business, politics) we might find patterns in the occurrences of certain words.

Vector Space Model

G. Salton. 'Mathematics and Information Retrieval' Journal of Documentation, 1979



1	6	2	1	0	0	0	1
Tartan	robot	CHIMP	CMU	bio	soft	ankle	sensor



0	4	0	1	4	5	3	2
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<http://www.fodey.com/generators/newspaper/snippet.asp>

Vector Space Model

A document (datapoint) is a vector of counts over each word (feature)

$$\mathbf{v}_d = [n(w_{1,d}) \quad n(w_{2,d}) \quad \cdots \quad n(w_{T,d})]$$

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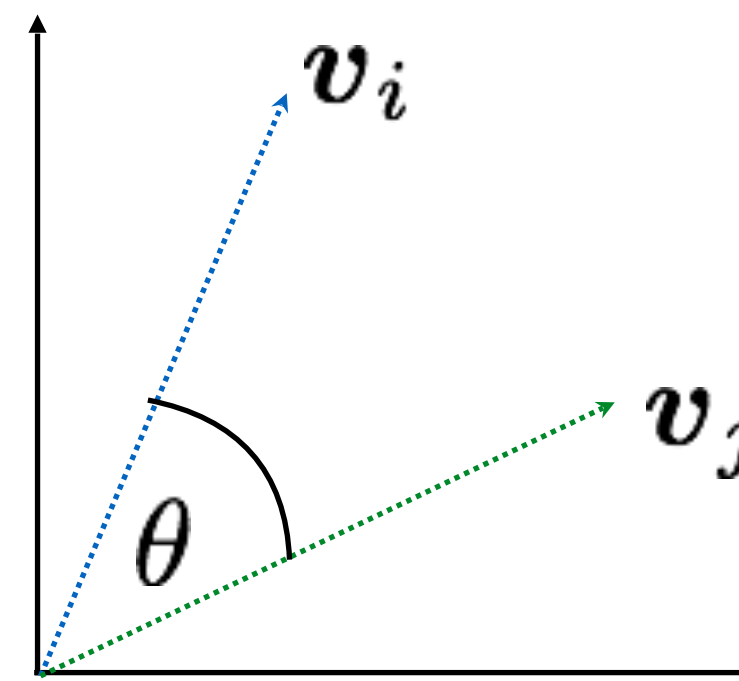
just a histogram over words



What is the similarity between two documents?

Use any distance you want but the cosine distance is fast and well designed for high-dimensional vector spaces:

$$\begin{aligned} d(\mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j) &= \cos \theta \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_j}{\|\mathbf{v}_i\| \|\mathbf{v}_j\|} \end{aligned}$$



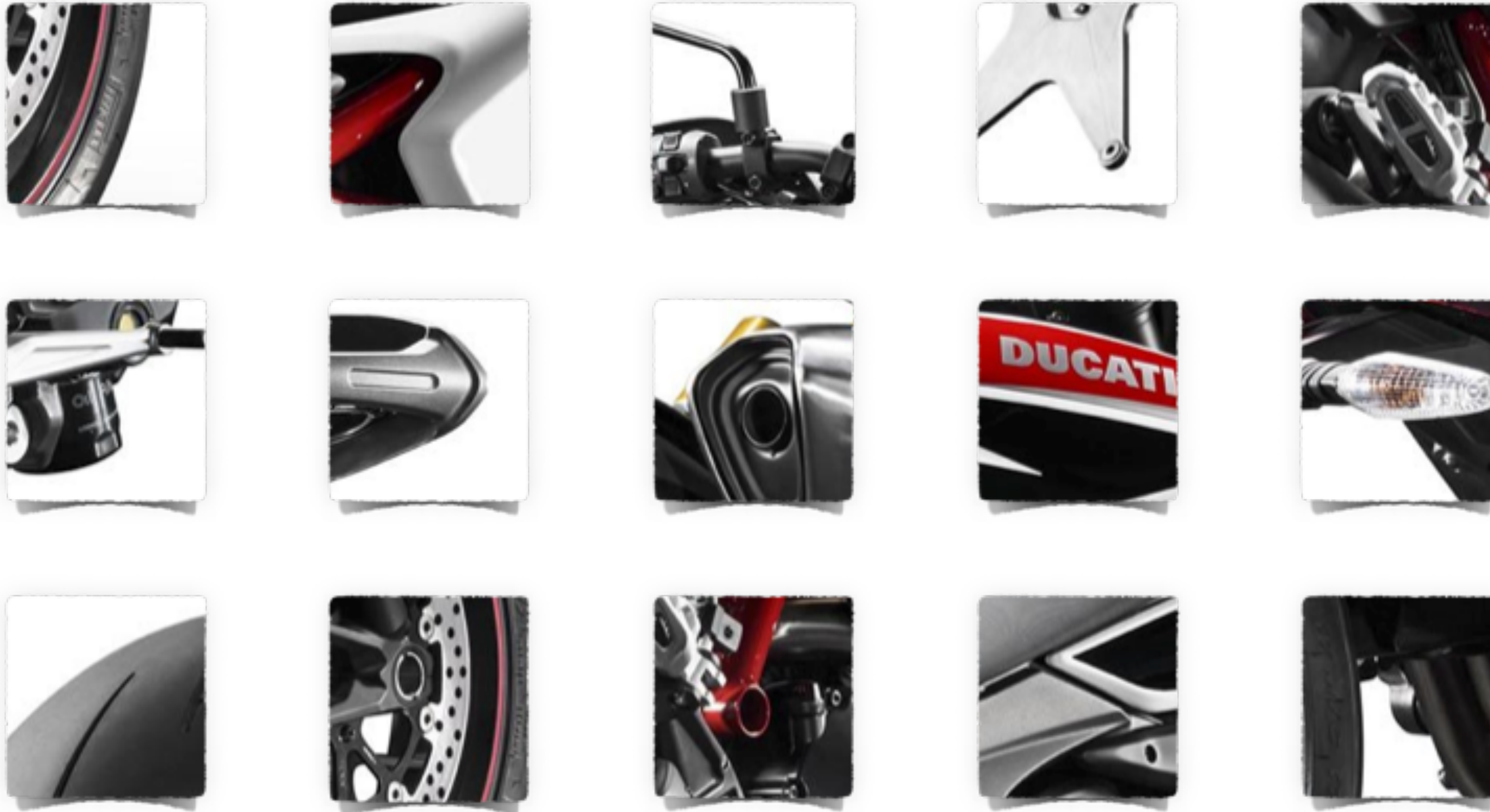
Slide Credit: Ioannis (Yannis) Gkioulekas (CMU)

Visual **Words**

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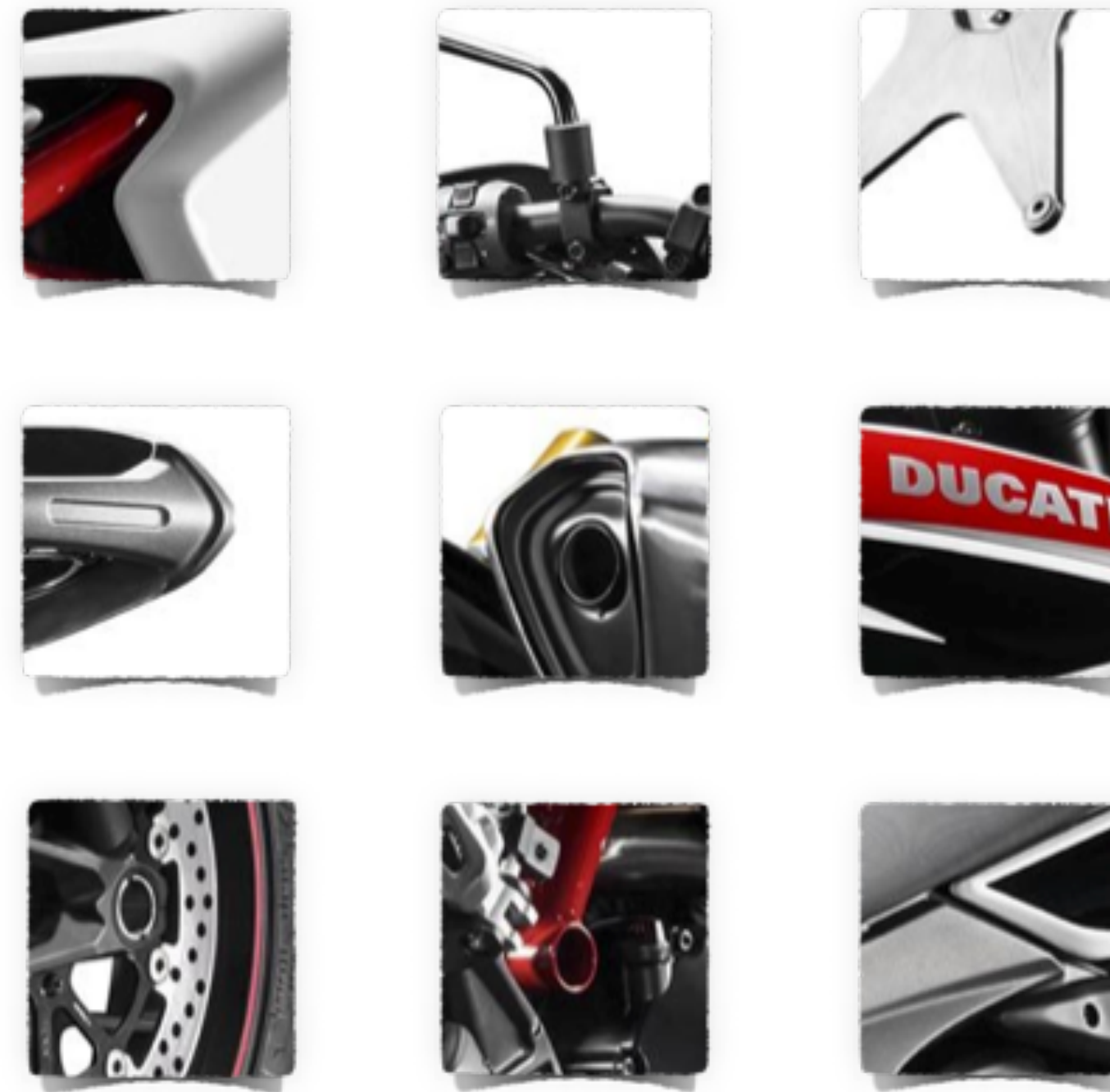
We construct a **vocabulary** or **codebook** of local descriptors, containing representative local descriptors.

What **Objects** do These Parts Belong To?



Some local feature are very informative

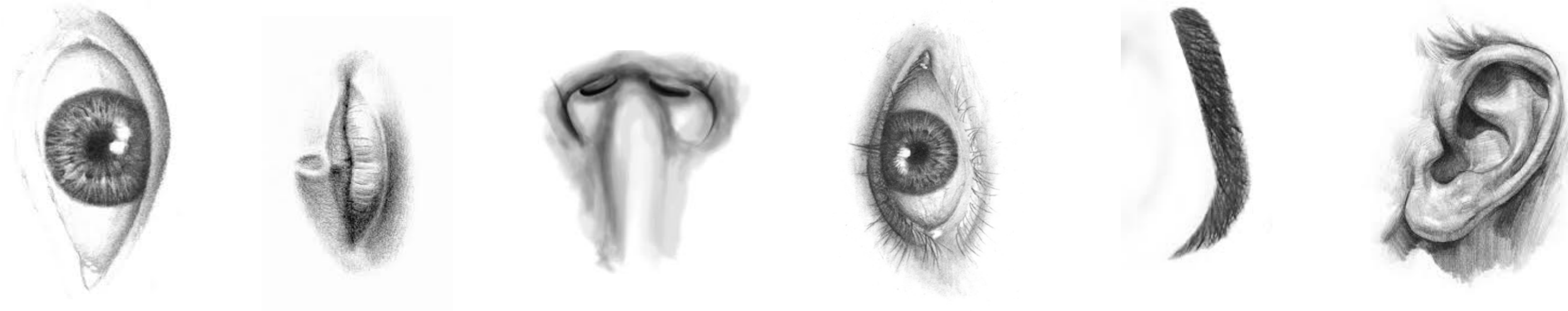
An object as



a collection of local features
(bag-of-features)

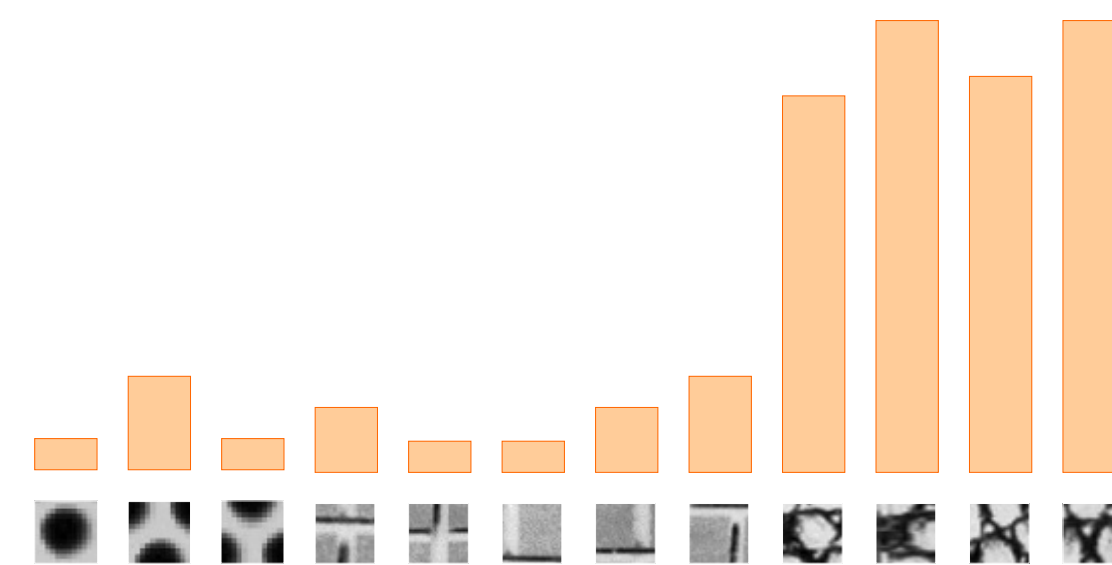
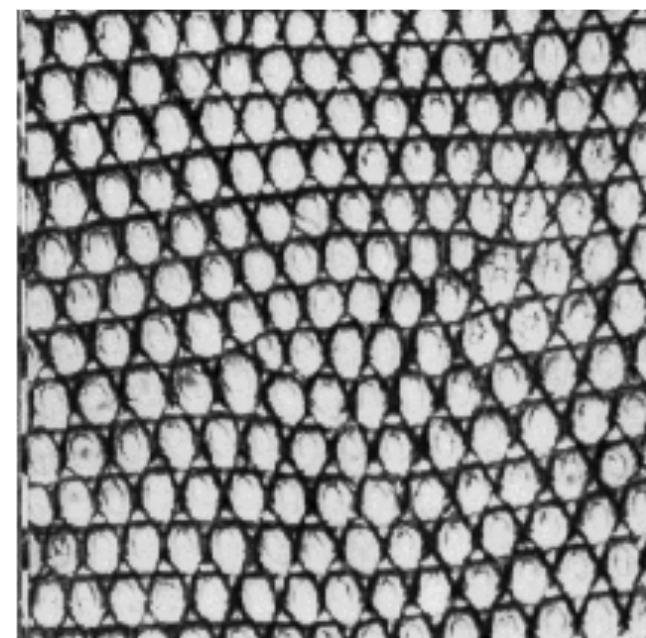
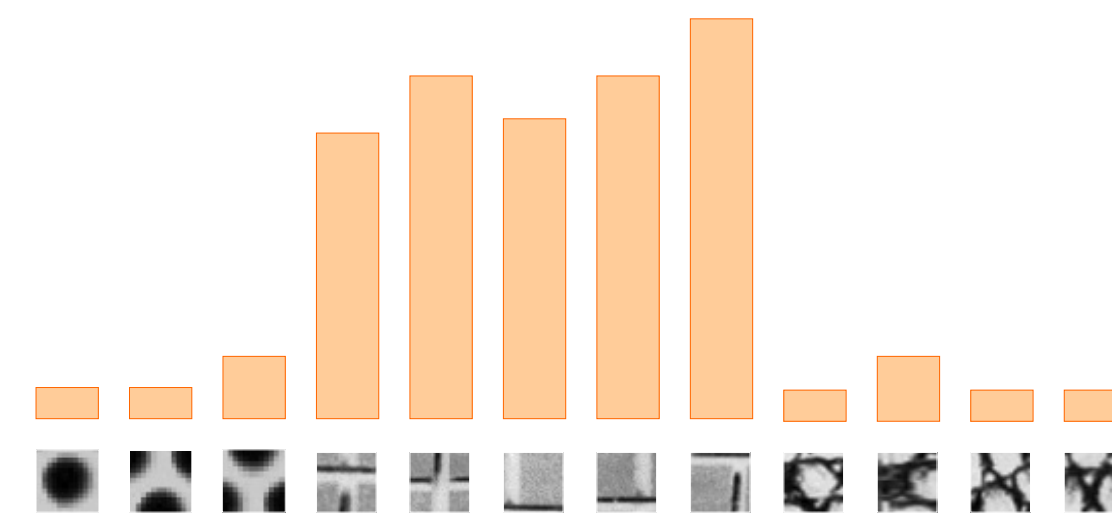
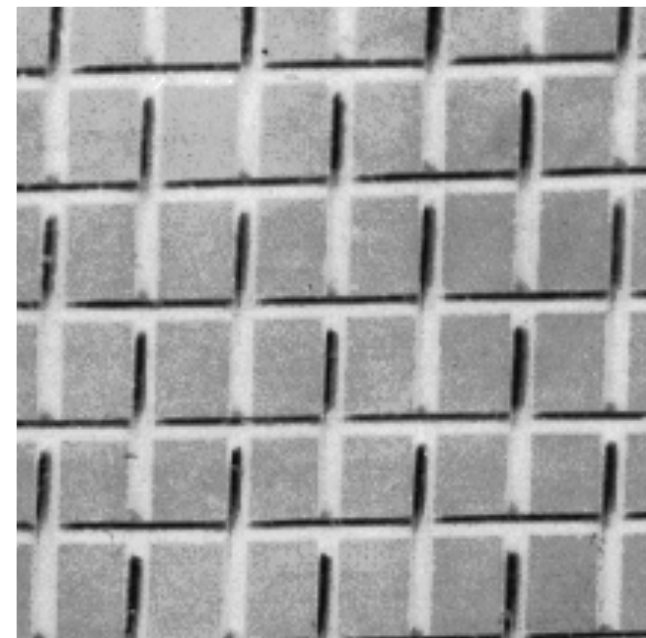
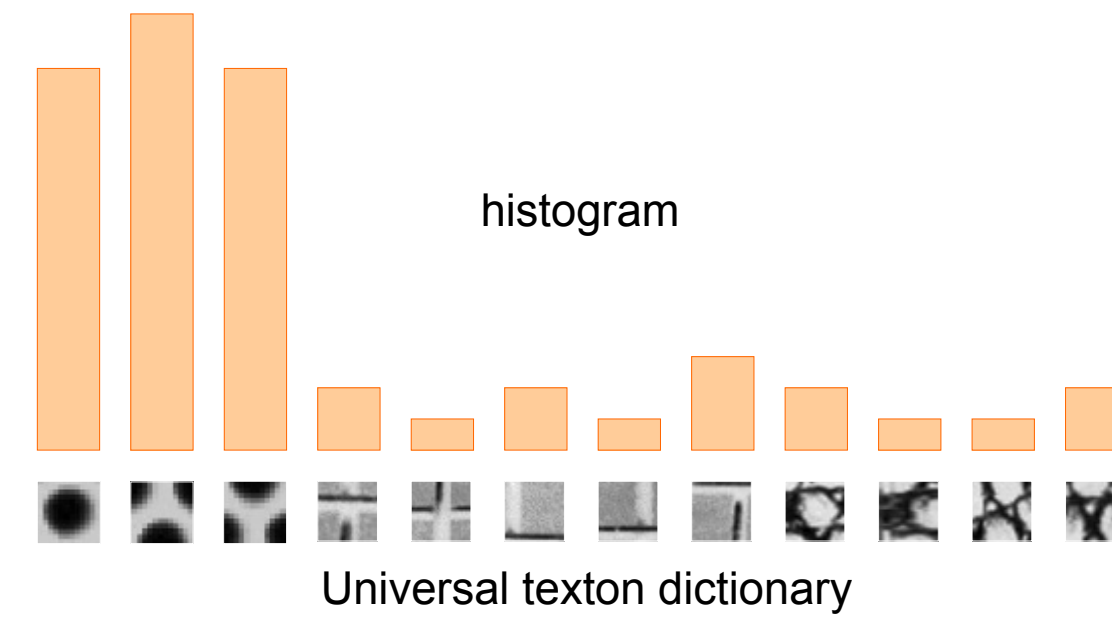
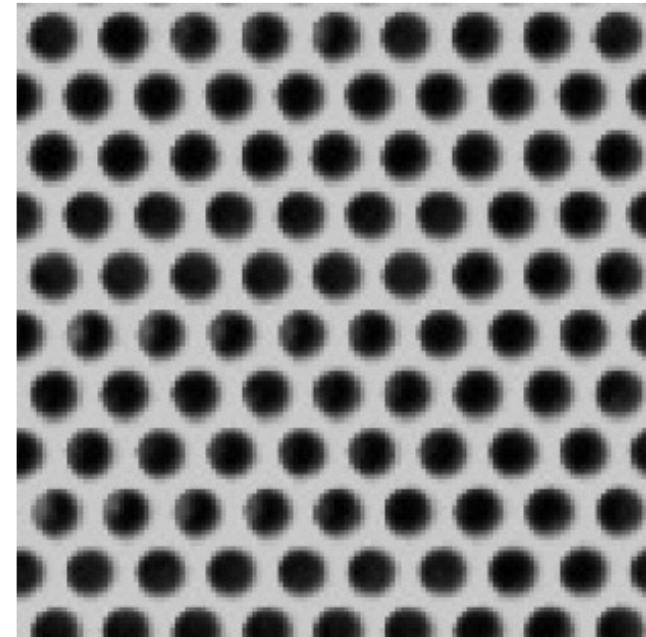
- deals well with occlusion
- scale invariant
- rotation invariant

(not so) Crazy Assumption



spatial information of local features
can be ignored for object recognition (i.e., verification)

Recall: Texture Representation



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Question: How might we construct such a codebook? Given a large sample of SIFT descriptors, say 1 million, how can we choose a small number of ‘representative’ SIFT codewords, say 1000?

Standard **Bag-of-Words** Pipeline (for image classification)

Dictionary Learning:

Learn Visual Words using clustering

Encode:

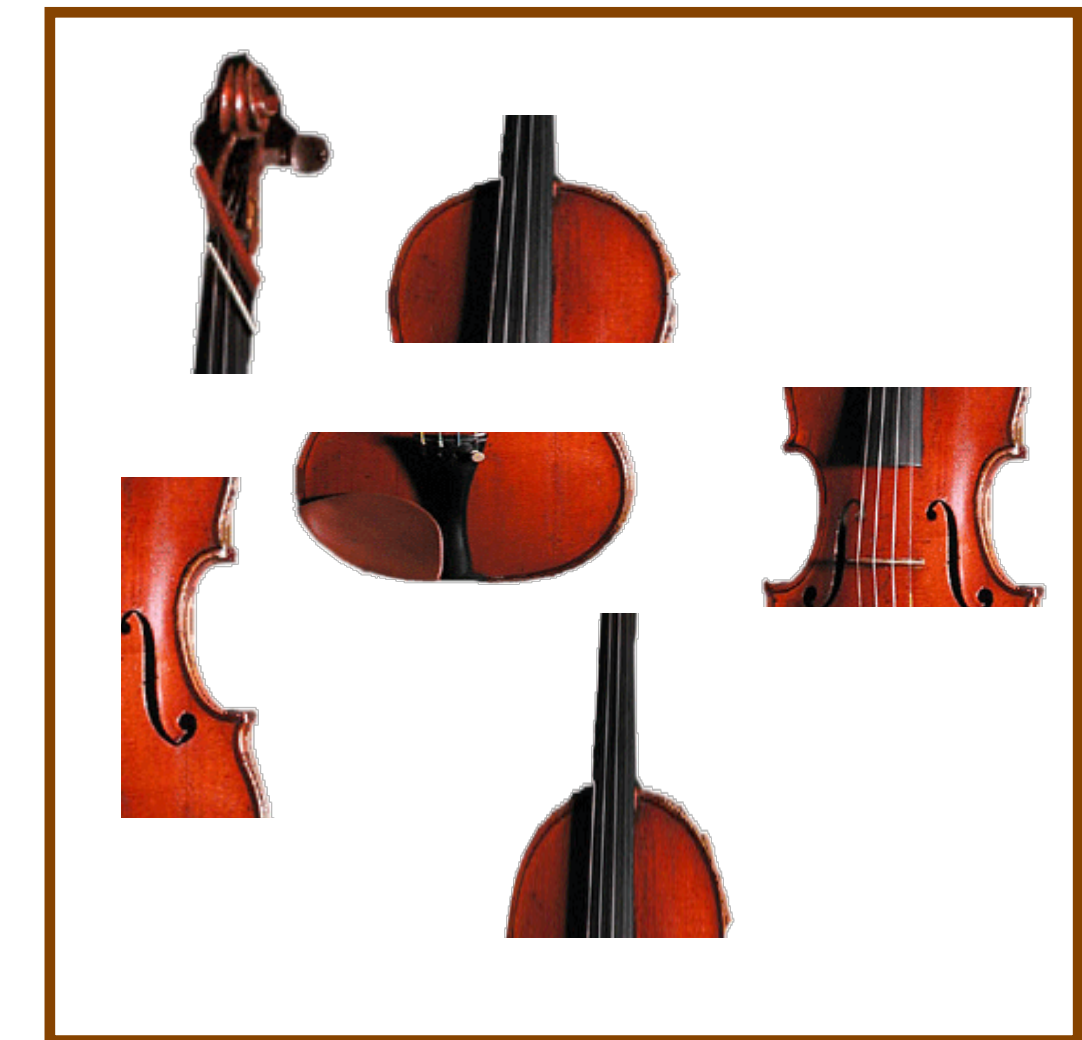
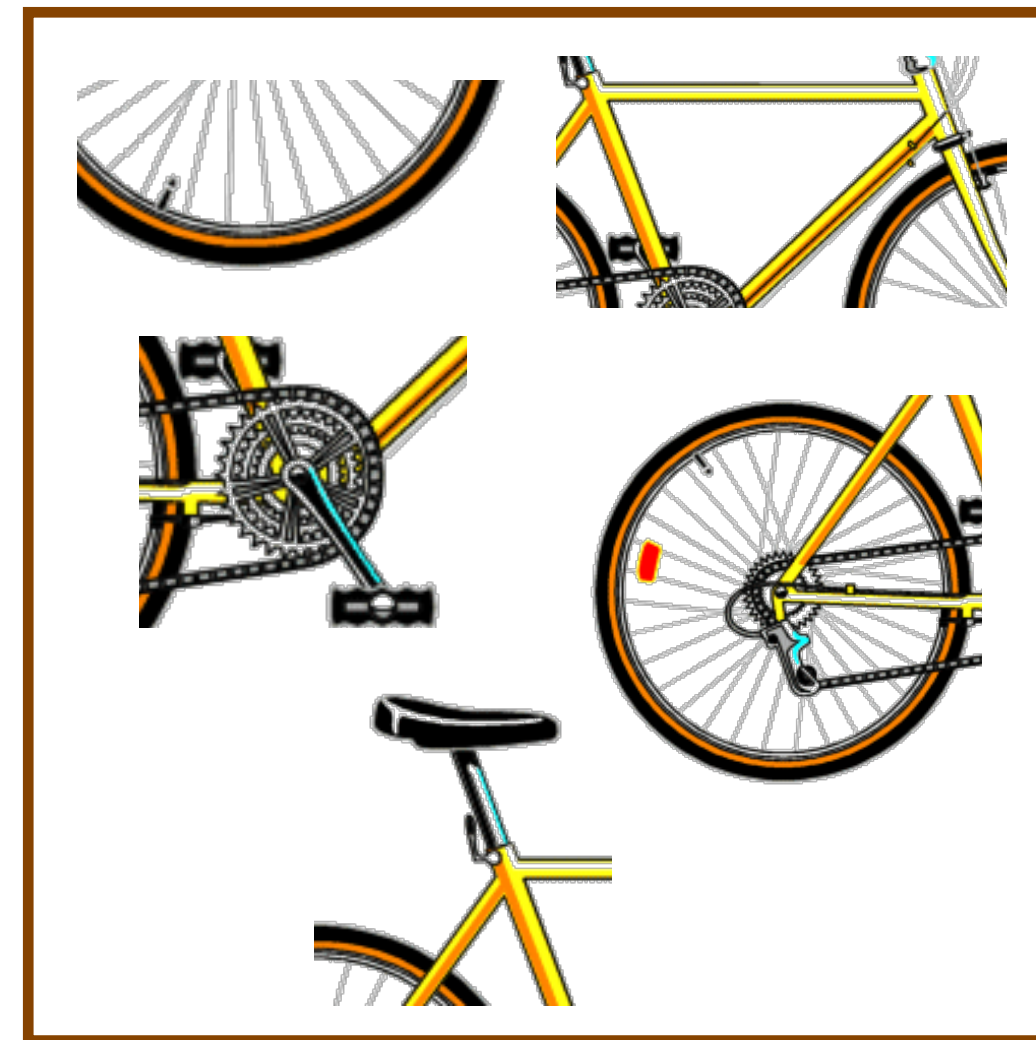
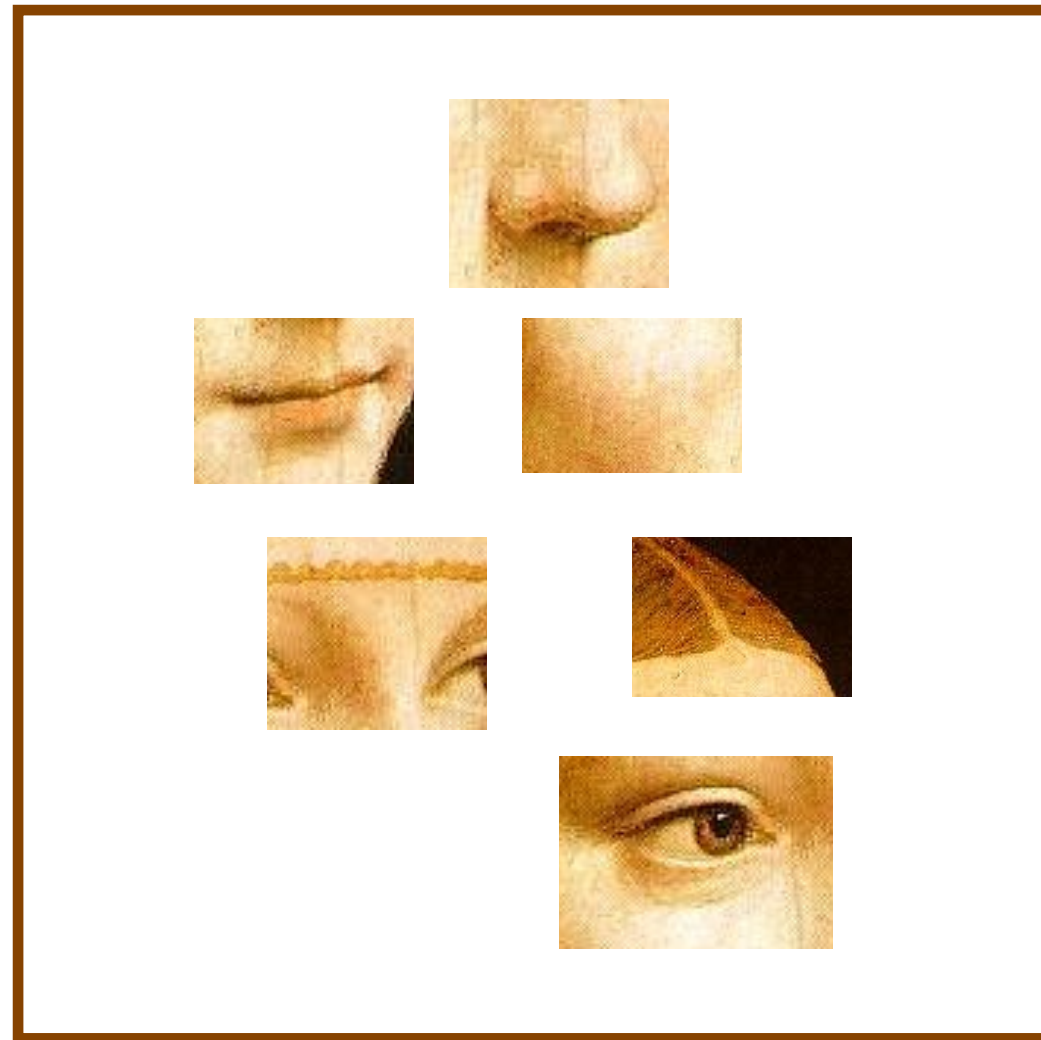
build Bags-of-Words (BOW) vectors
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Classify:

Train and test data using BOWs

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1. **extract features** (e.g., SIFT) from images



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2. Learn visual dictionary (e.g., K-means clustering)



What **Features** Should We Extract?

- Regular grid

Vogel & Schiele, 2003

Fei-Fei & Perona, 2005

- Interest point detector

Csurka et al. 2004

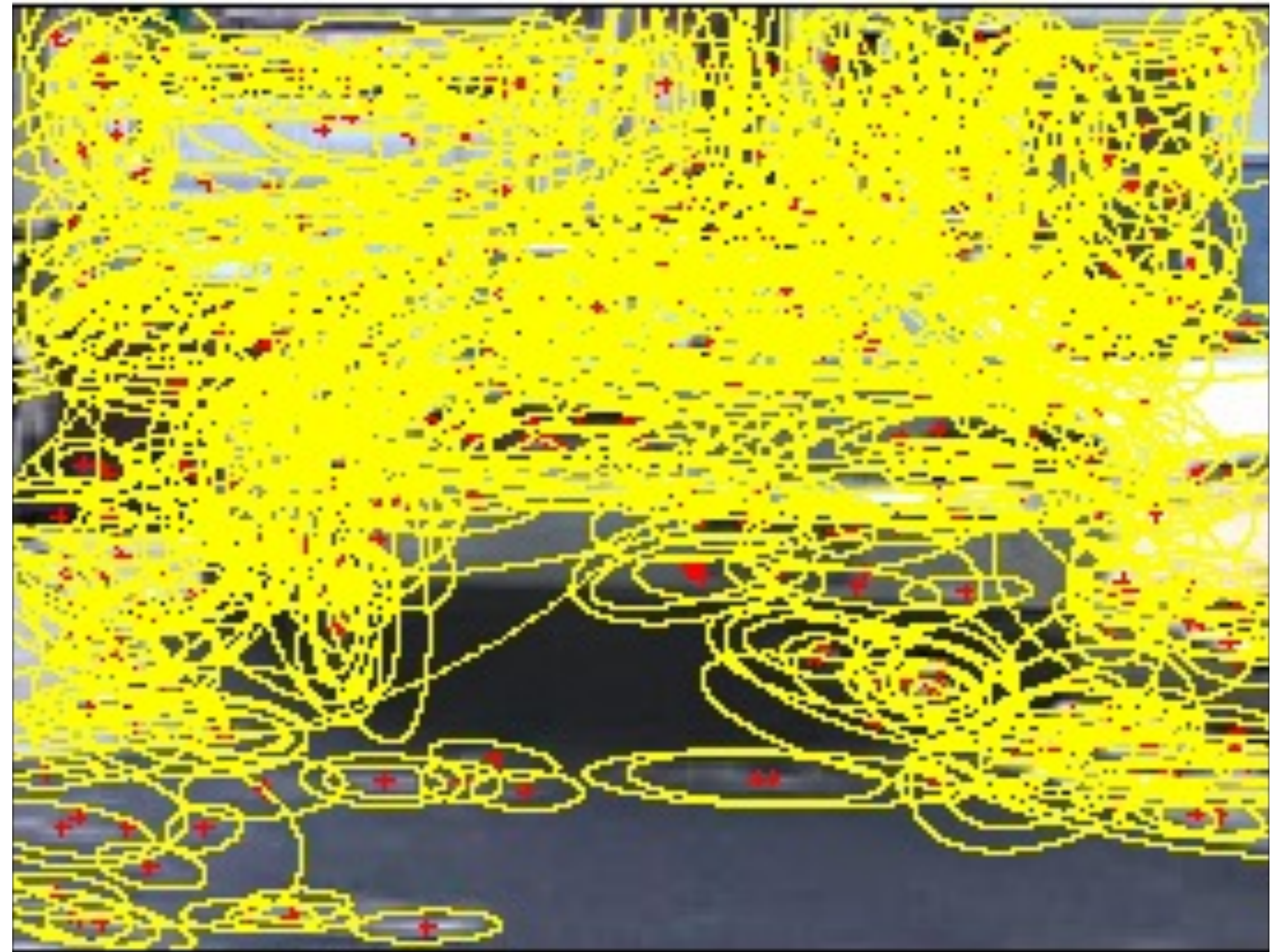
Fei-Fei & Perona, 2005

Sivic et al. 2005

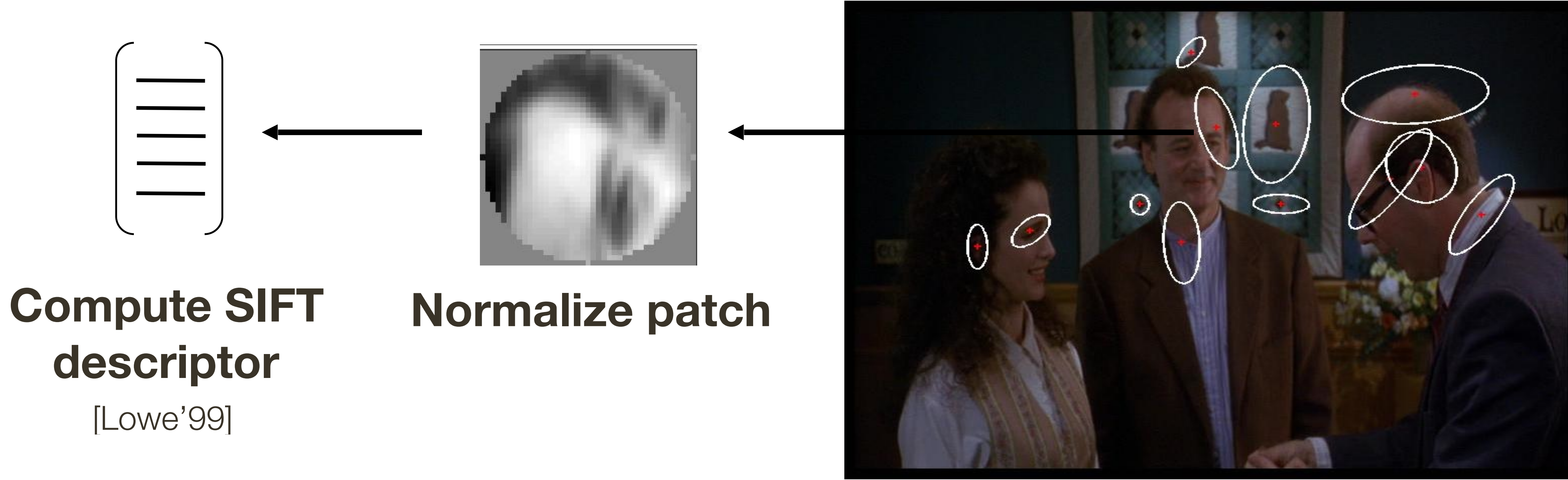
- Other methods

Random sampling (Vidal-Naquet & Ullman, 2002)

Segmentation-based patches (Barnard et al. 2003)



Extracting **SIFT** Patches



Compute SIFT descriptor

[Lowe'99]

Normalize patch

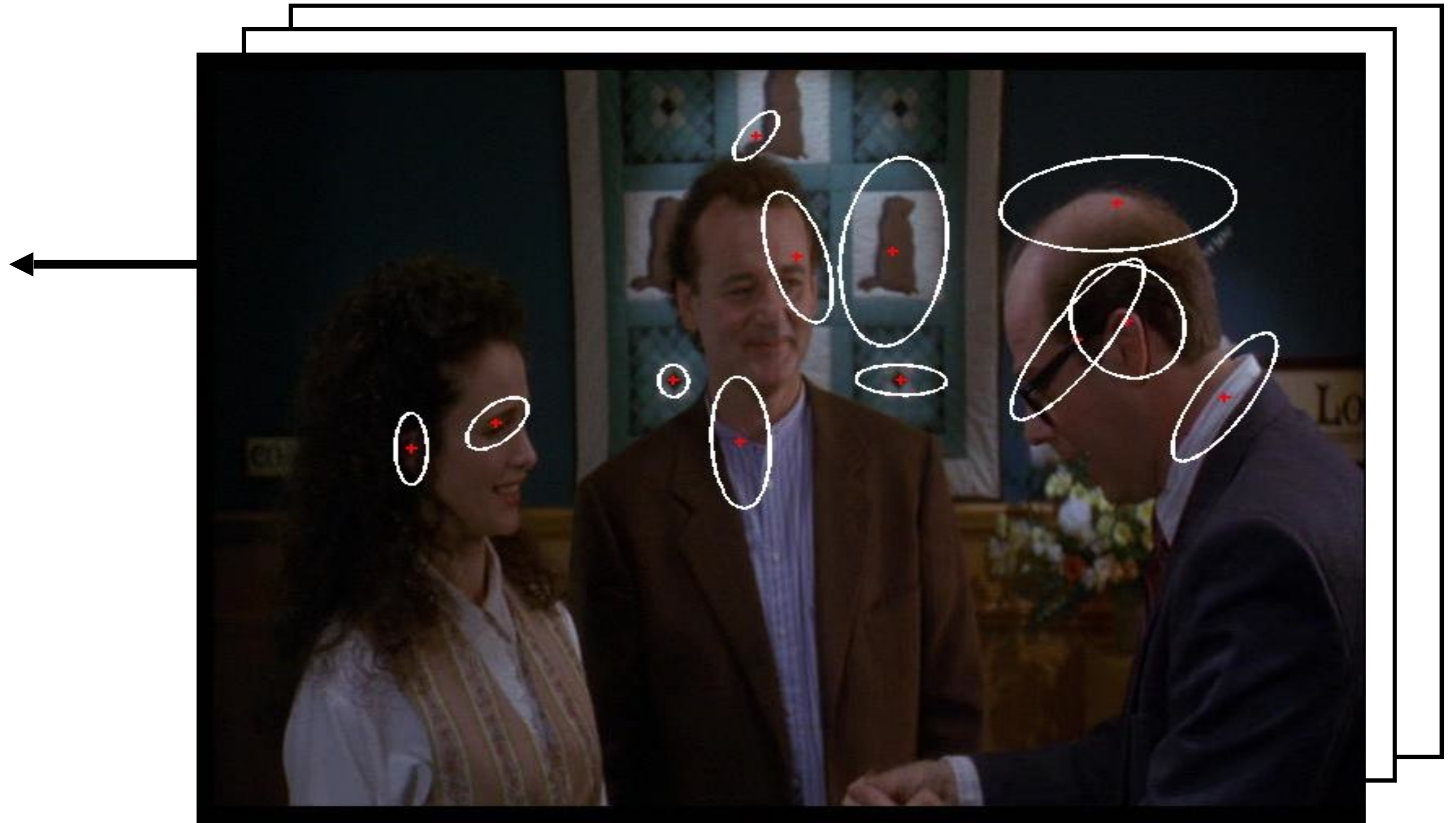
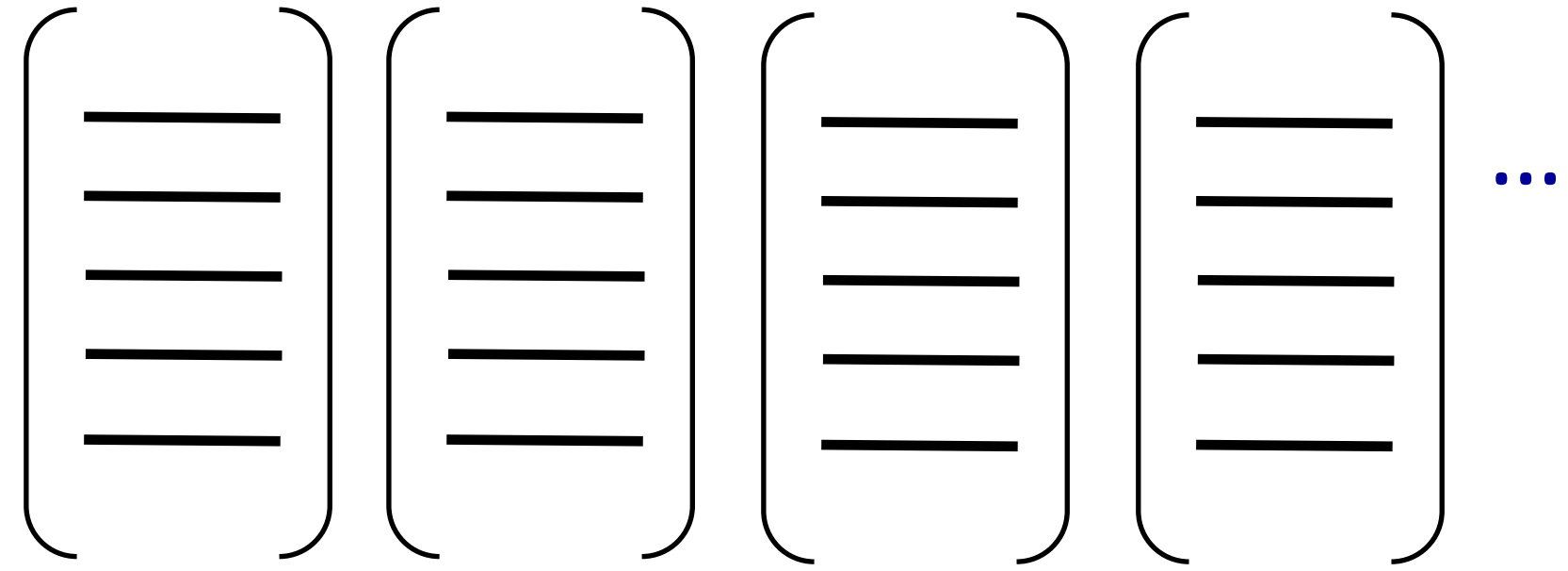
Detect patches

[Mikojaczyk and Schmid '02]

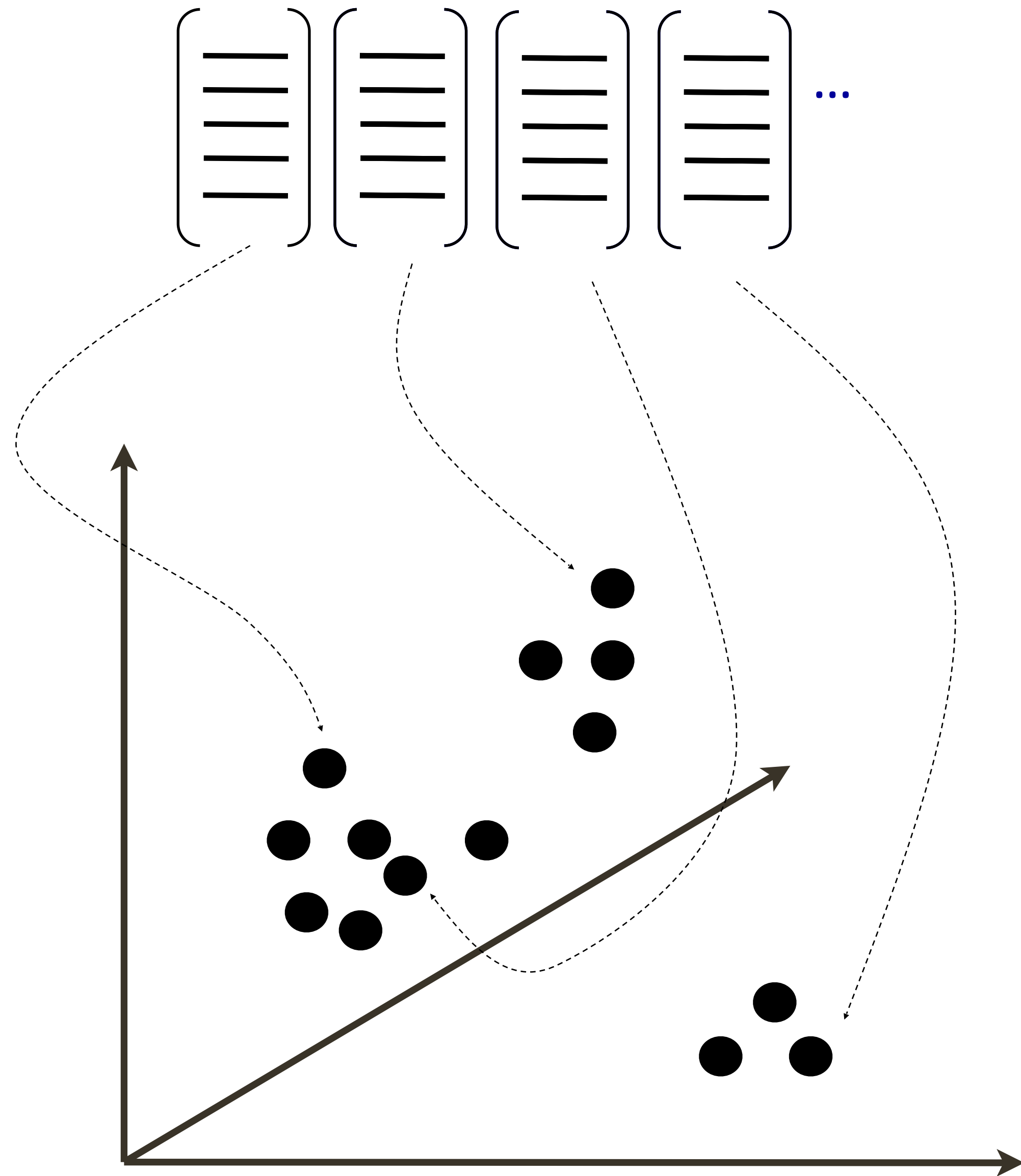
[Mata, Chum, Urban & Pajdla, '02]

[Sivic & Zisserman, '03]

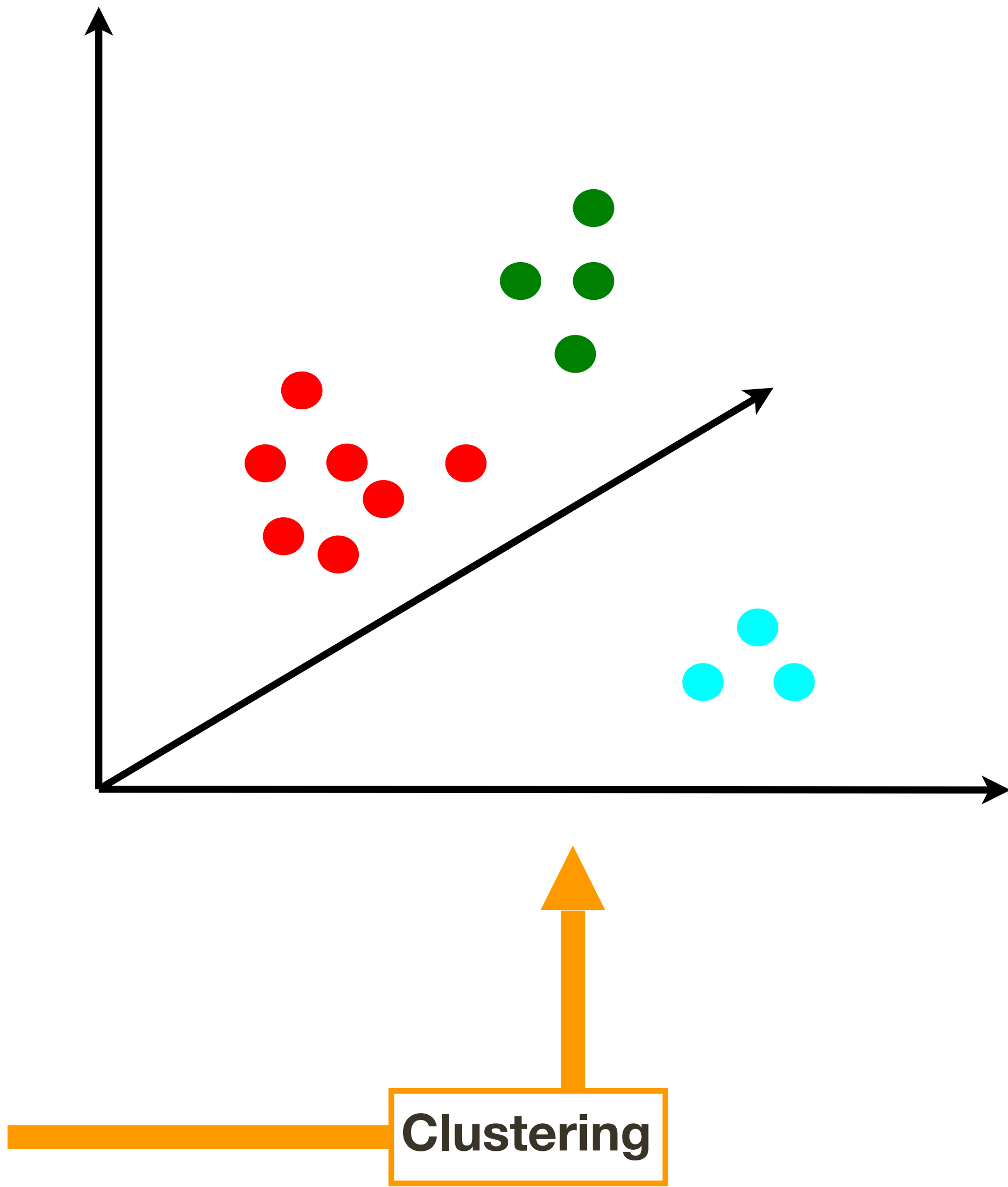
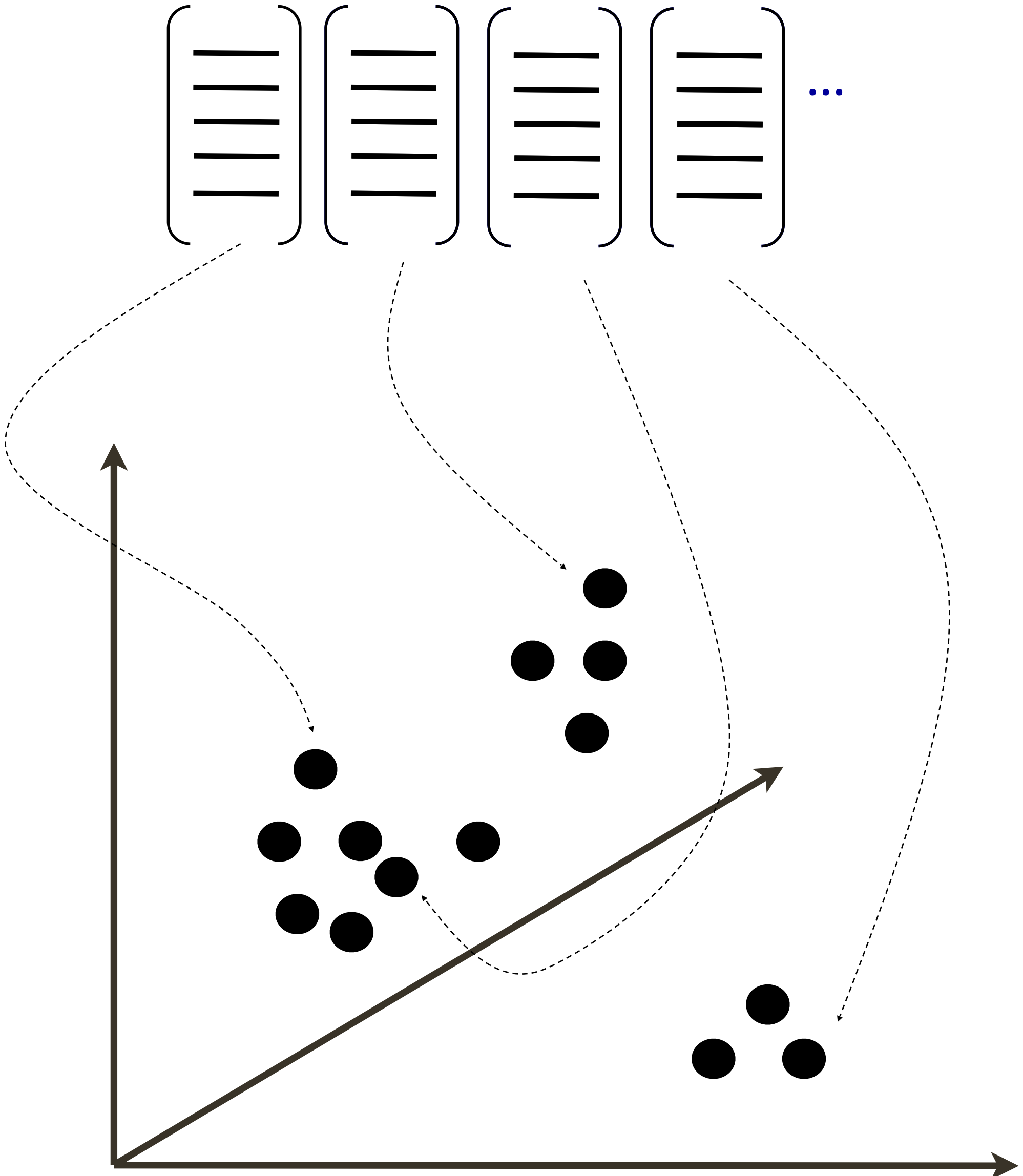
Extracting **SIFT** Patches



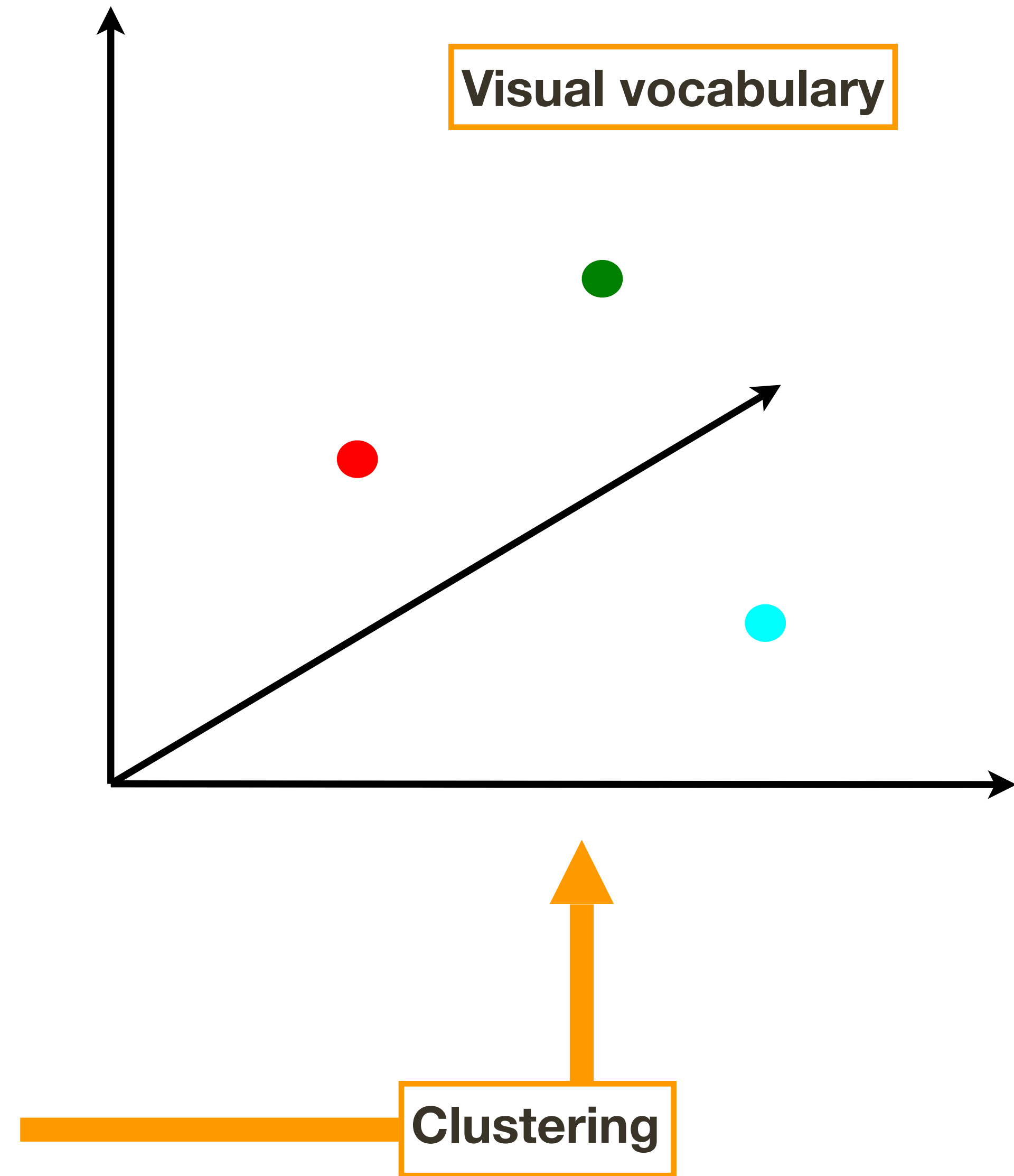
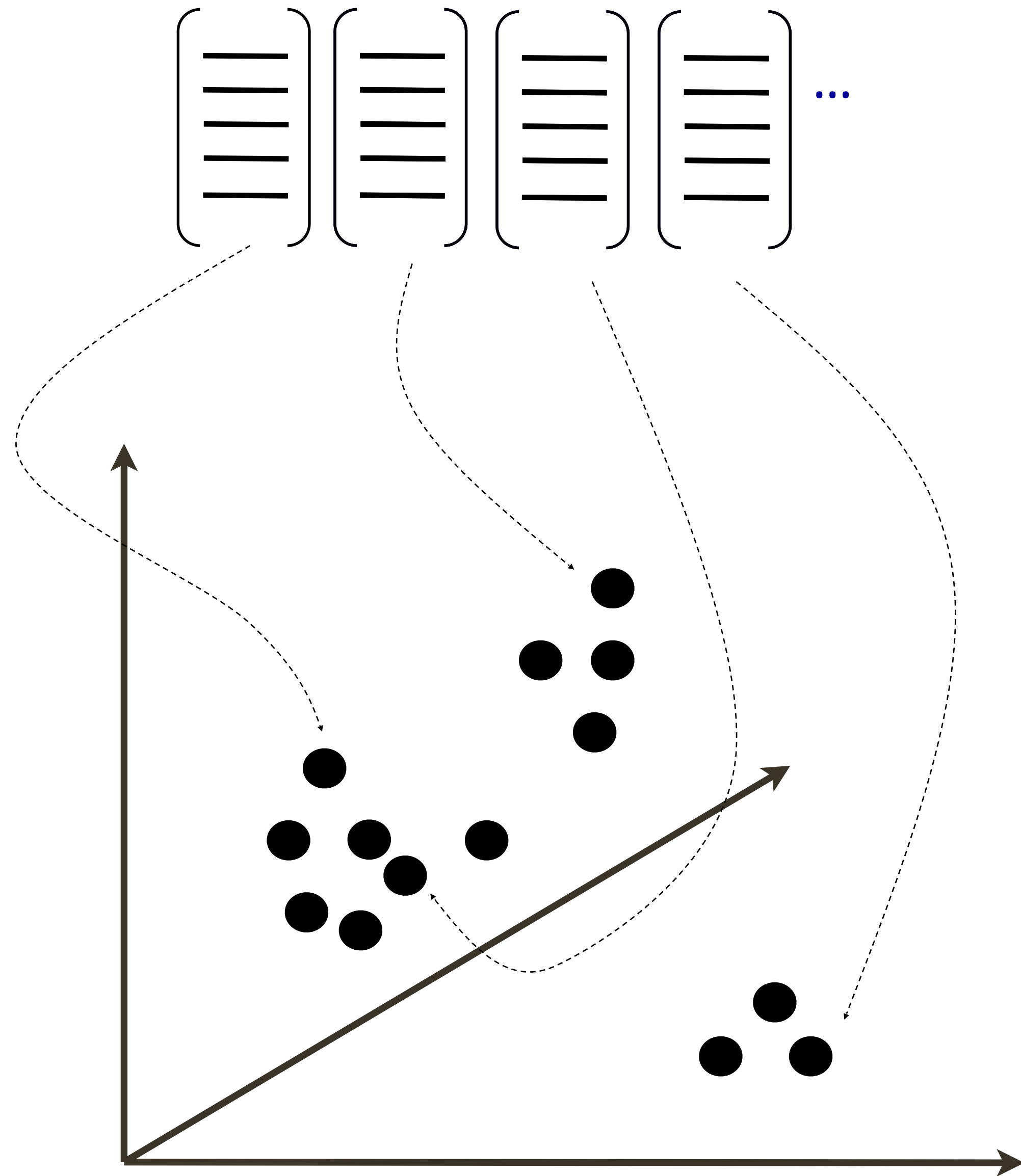
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K-means clustering

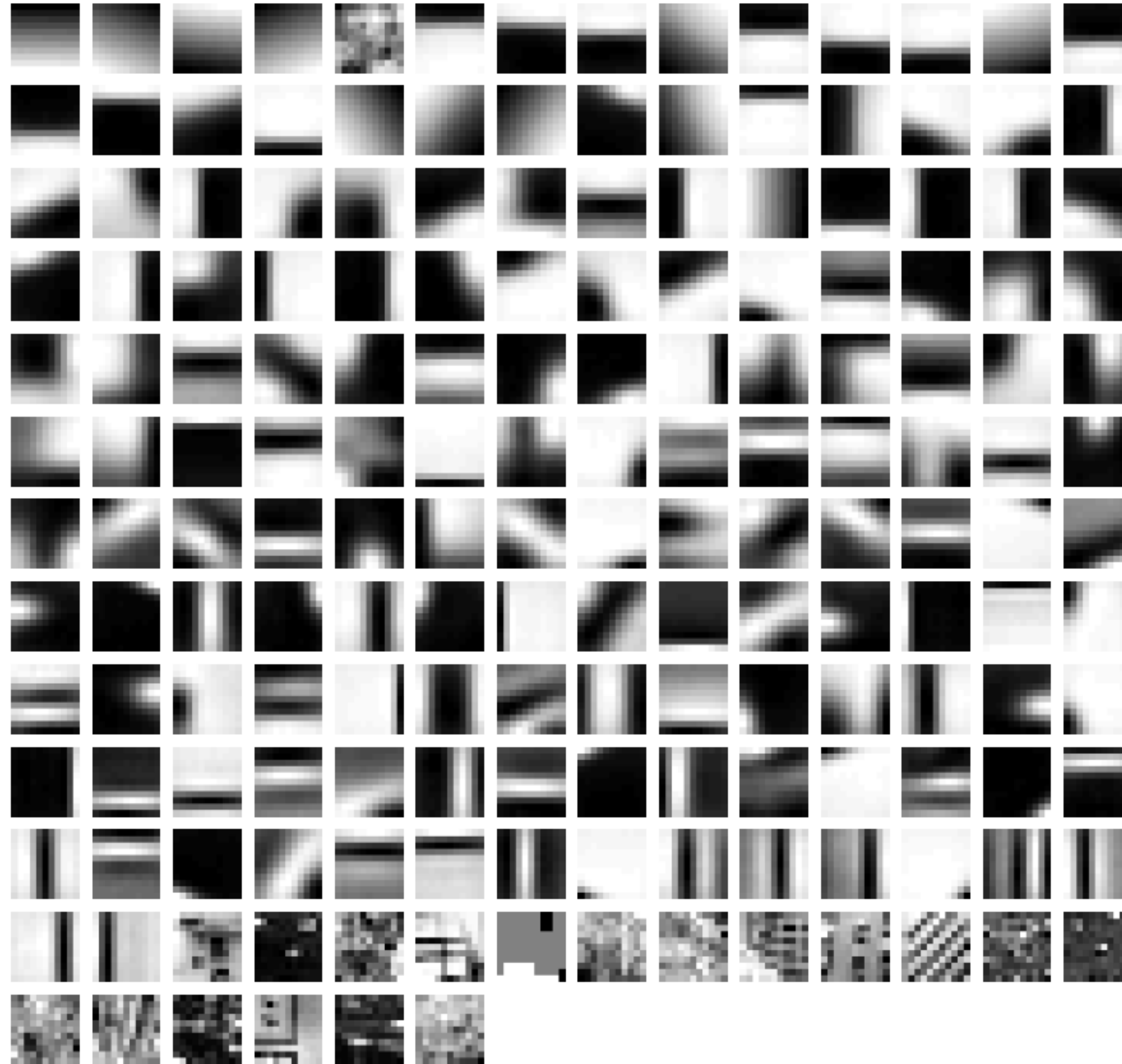
K-means Clustering

K-means is a clustering technique that iterates between

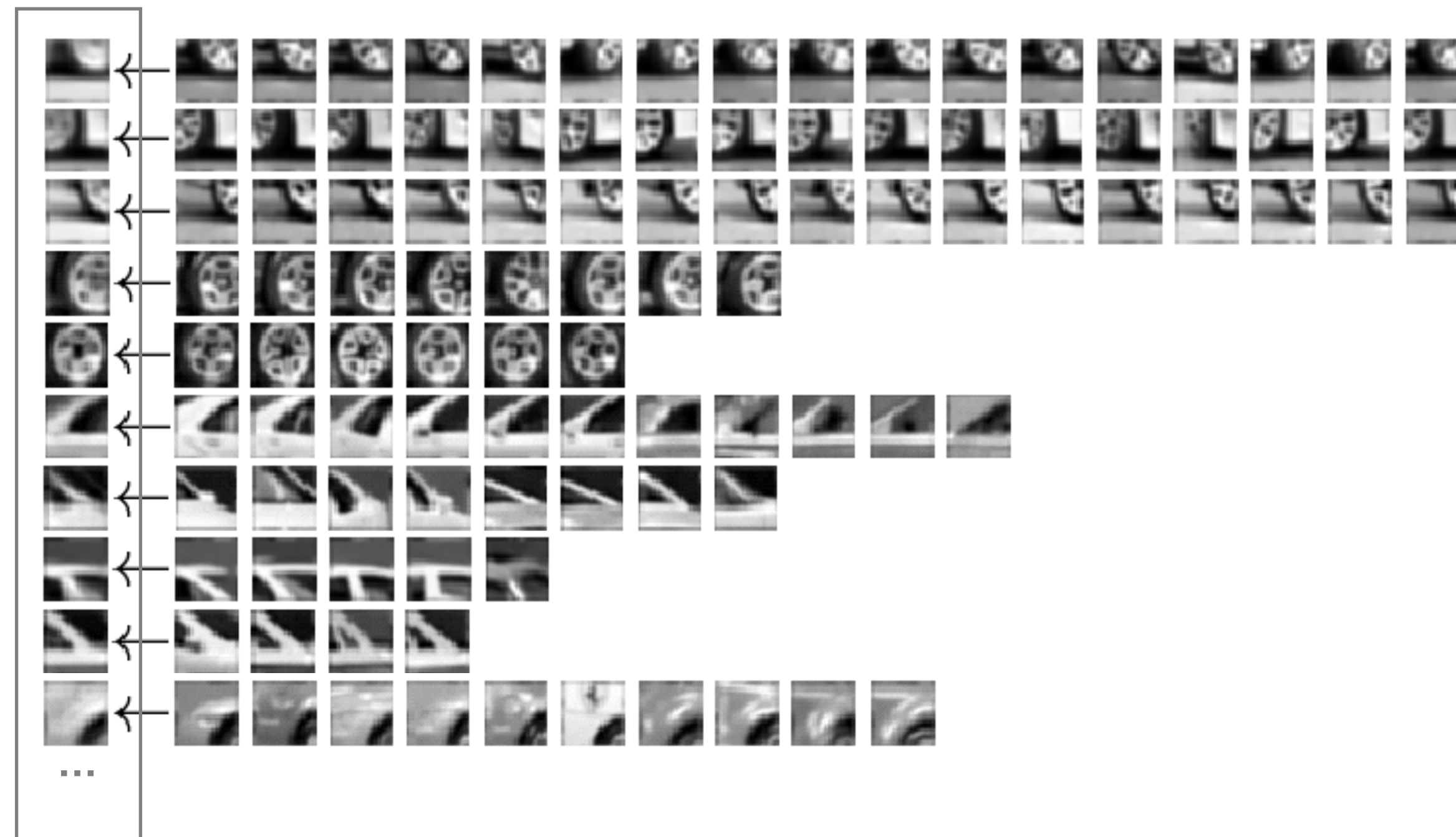
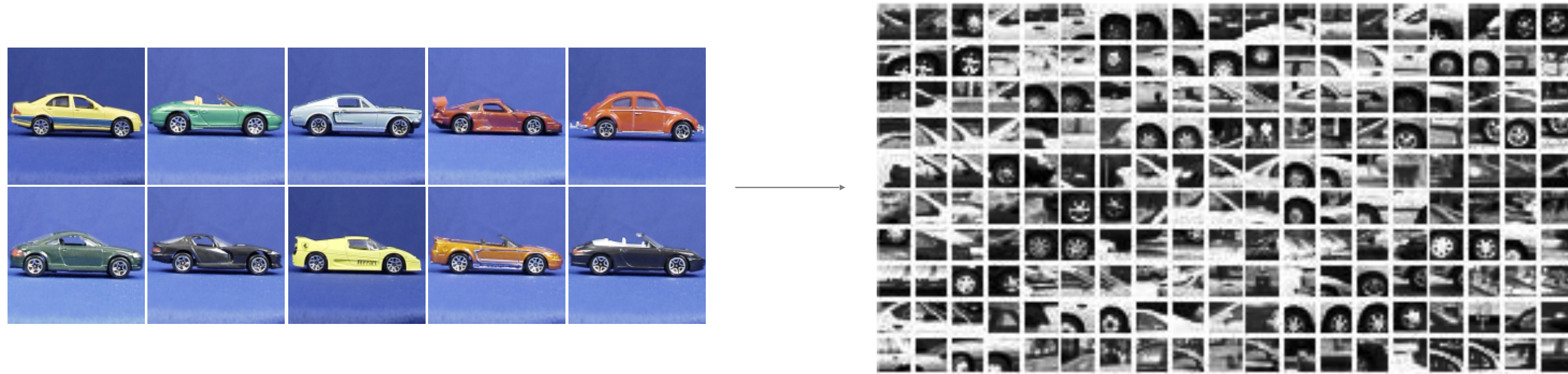
- 1.** Assume the cluster centers are known. Assign each point to the closest cluster center.
- 2.** Assume the assignment of points to clusters is known. Compute the best cluster center for each cluster (as the mean).

K-means clustering is initialization dependent and converges to a local minimum

Example **Visual Dictionary**

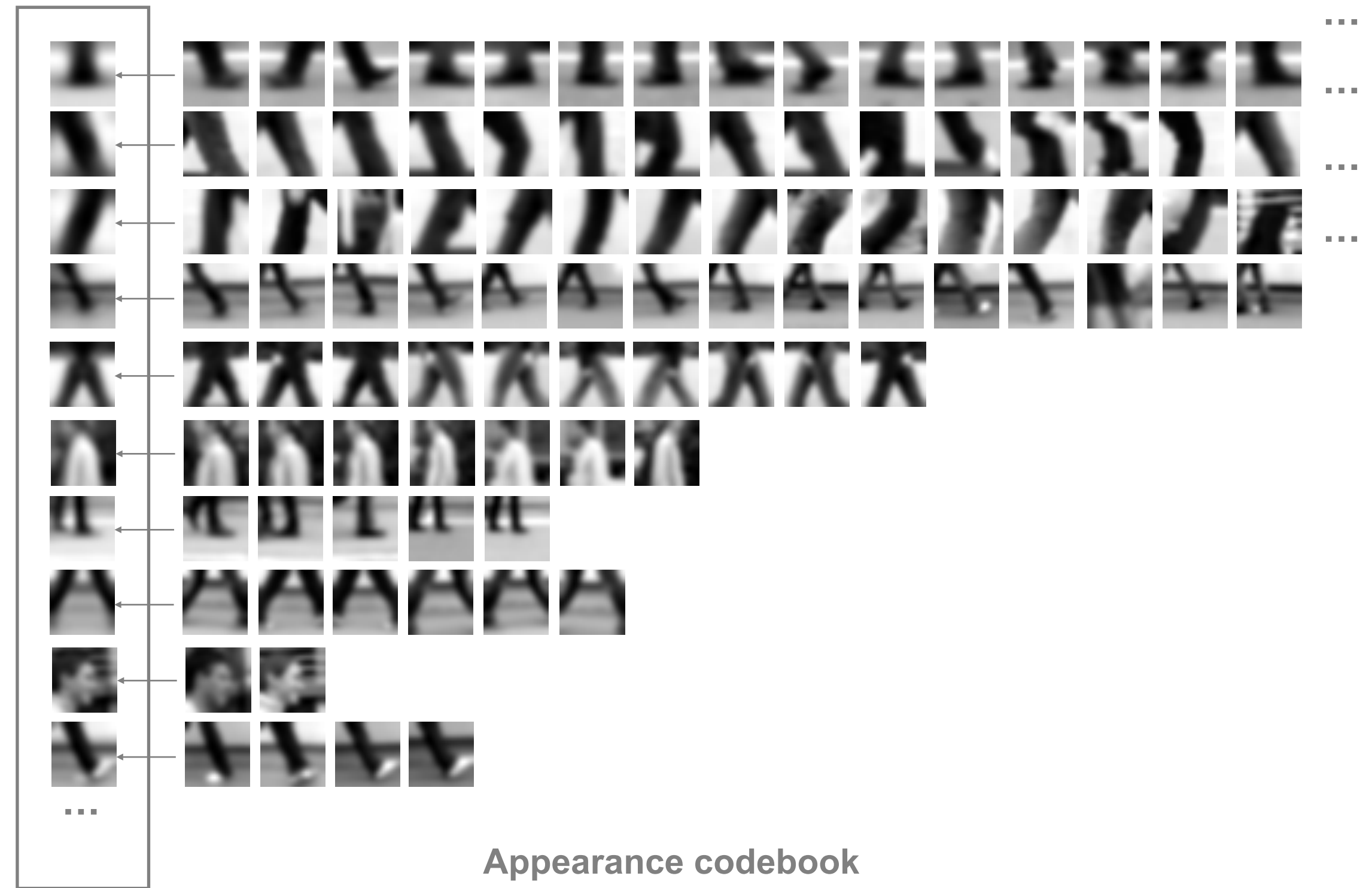


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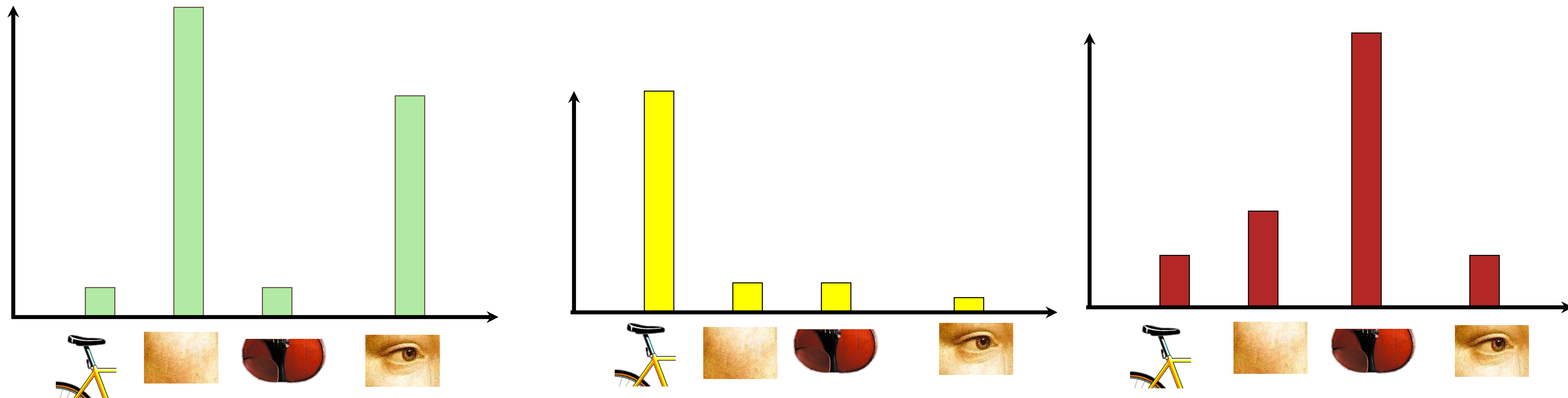


1. **Quantization:** image features gets associated to a visual word (nearest cluster center)

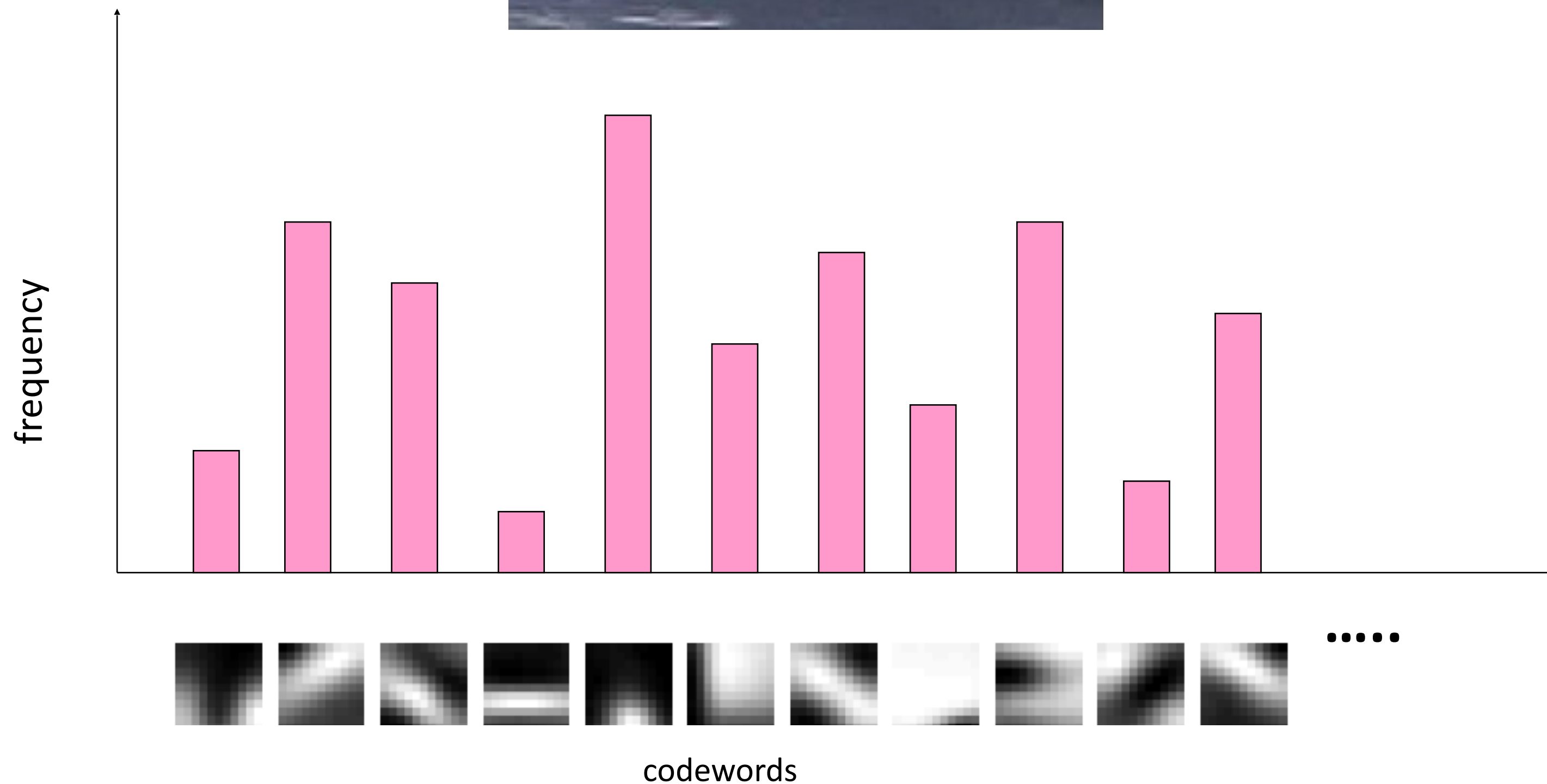


2. Encode: build Bag-of-Words (BOW) vectors for each image

2. **Histogram**: count the number of visual word occurrences



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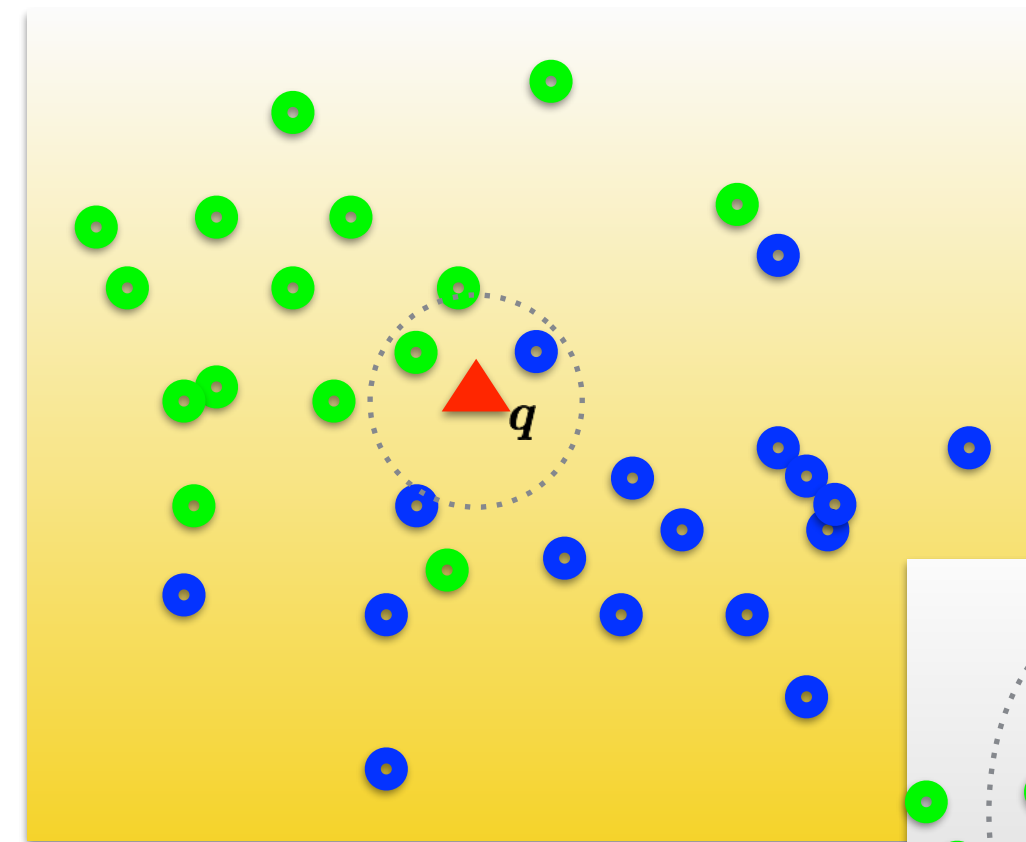
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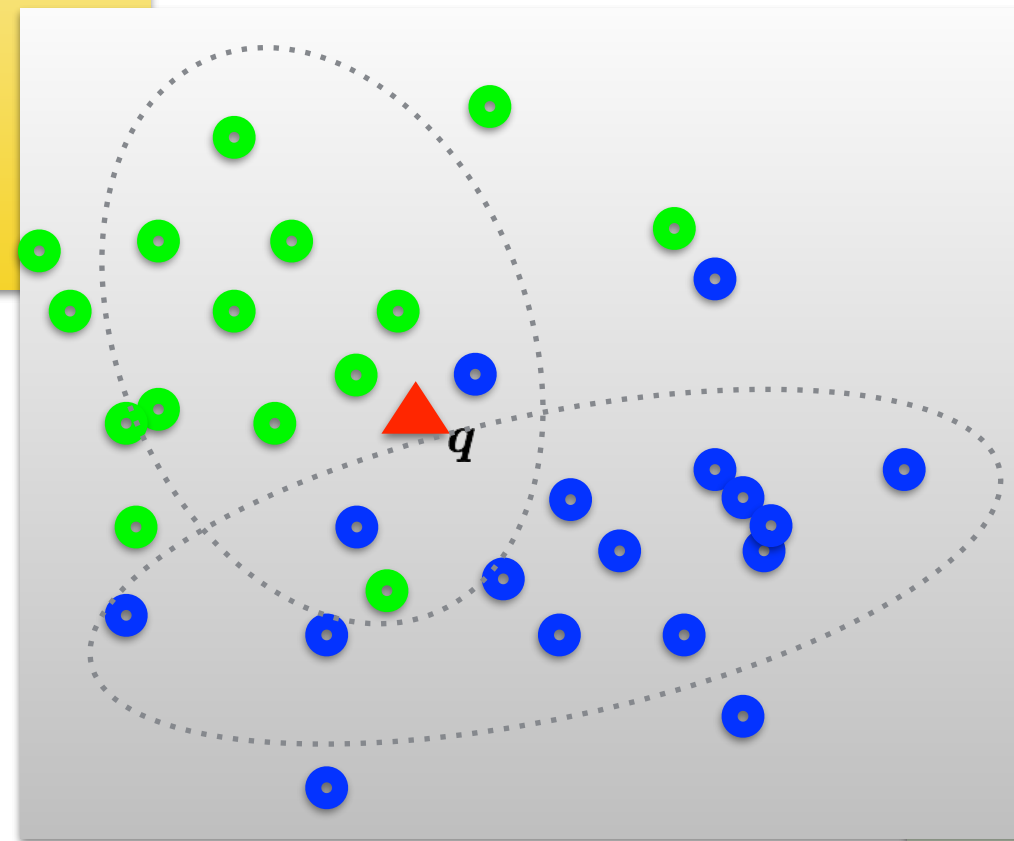
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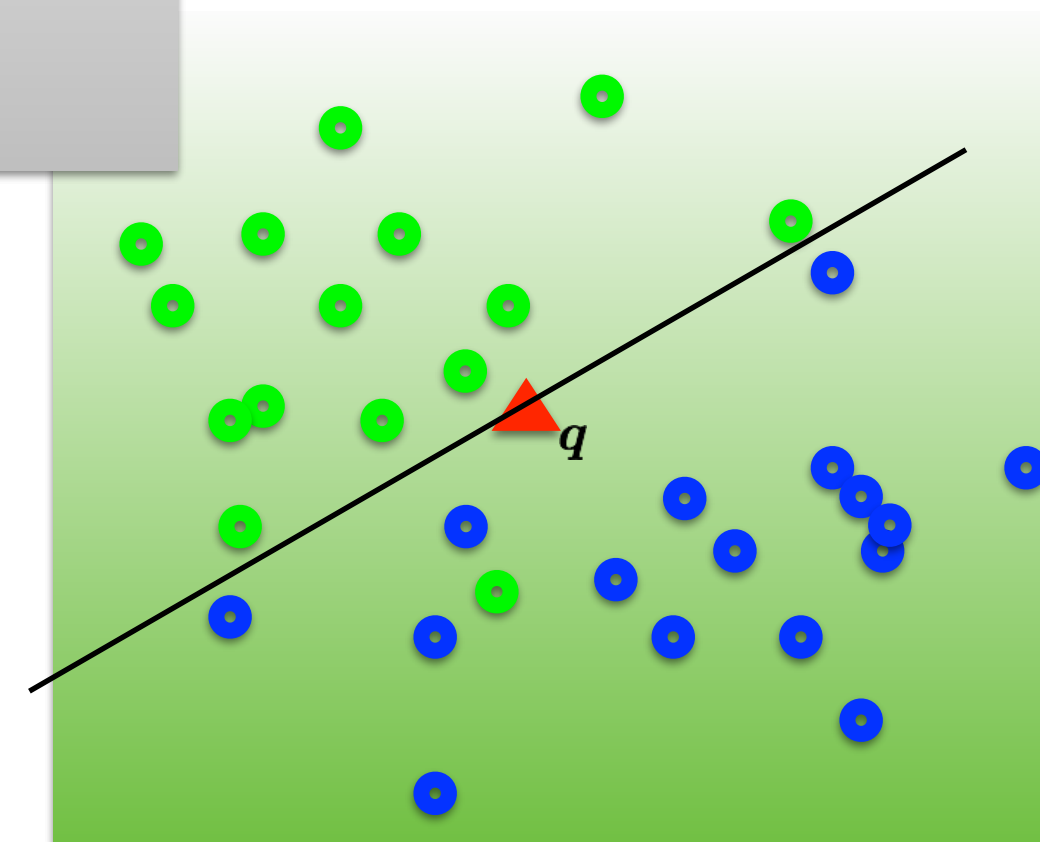
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K nearest neighbors



Naïve Bayes



Support Vector Machine