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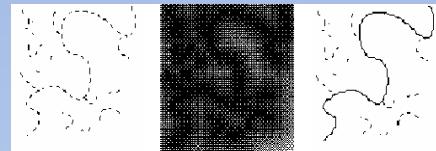
# Shape context

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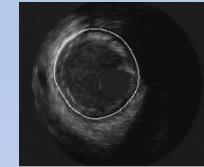


# Deformable models

$$U(p) = \inf_{Q \in \mathcal{L}_p} \left\{ \int_Q P(Q) + \alpha \left| \frac{\delta Q}{\delta s} \right|^2 ds \right\}$$



$$E_{snake} = \int_0^1 E_{int}(u(s)) + E_{ext}(u(s)) \, ds.$$



$$Q_t = g(I)(c+k)\vec{n} - (\nabla g, \vec{n})\vec{n}$$

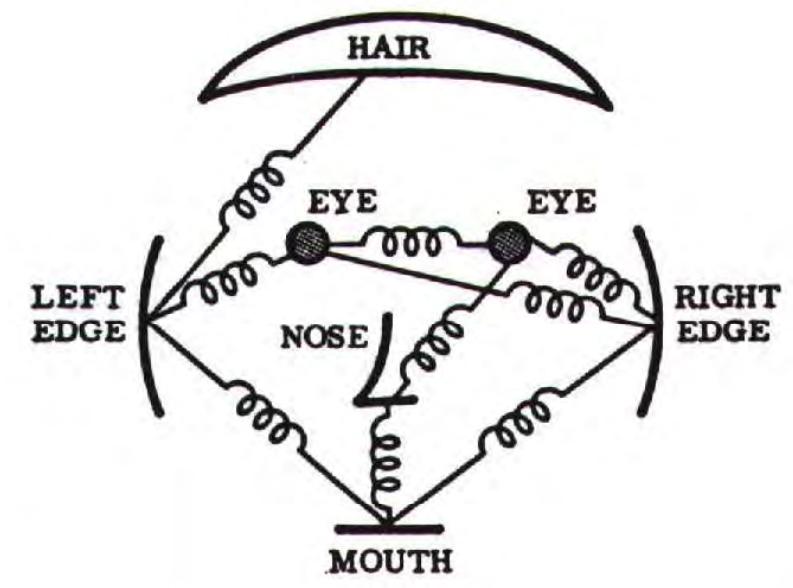


$$E(L) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}} D_p(L_p) + \sum_{(p,q) \in \mathcal{N}} V_{p,q}(L_p, L_q),$$

All four models are based only on local control on the geometric shape.

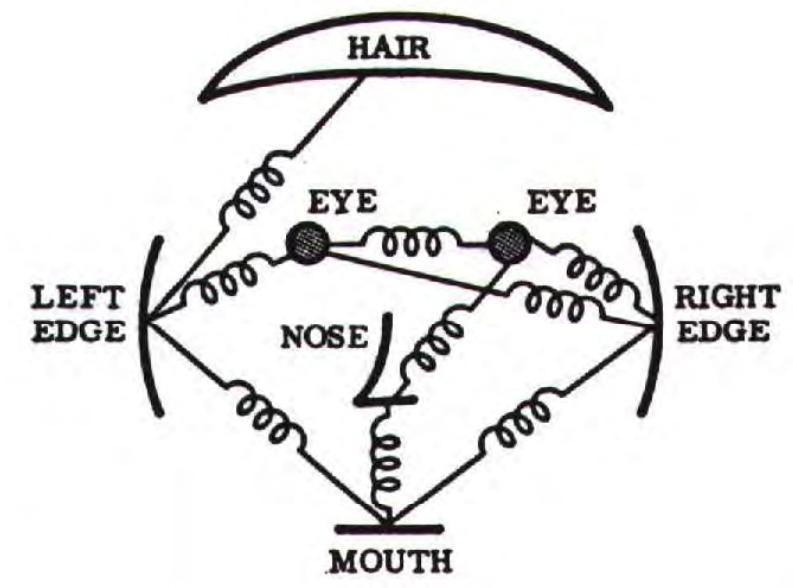
# Representation

- Object as set of parts
  - Generative representation
- Model:
  - Appearance of parts
  - Relative locations between parts
- Issues:
  - How to model location and mutual relations
  - How to represent appearance
  - Sparse or dense (pixels or regions)
  - How to handle occlusion/clutter



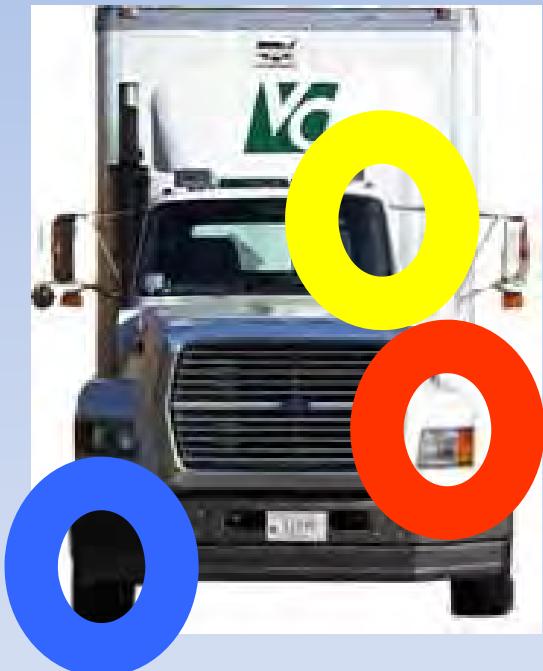
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# Sparse representation

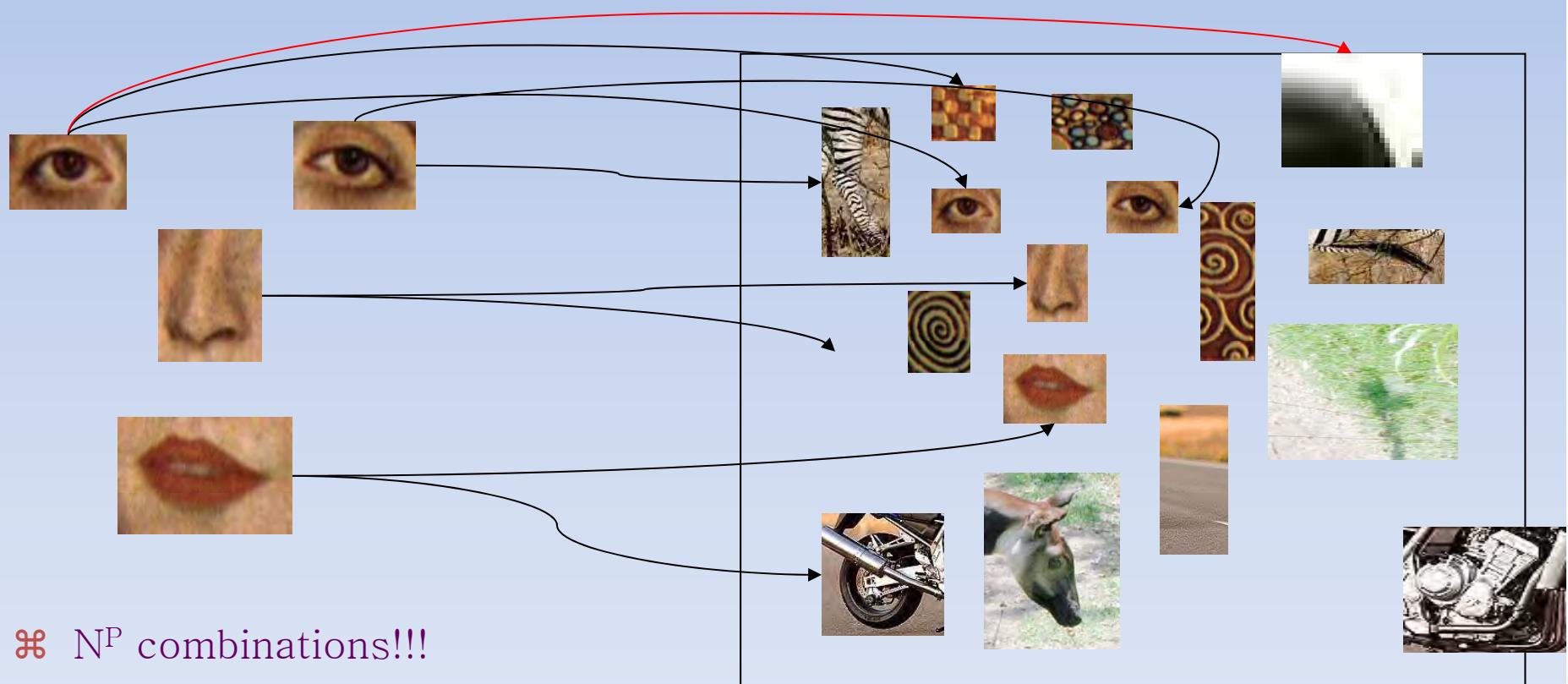
- + Computationally tractable ( $10^5$  pixels  $\rightarrow 10^1 -- 10^2$  parts)
- + Avoid modeling global variability
- + Success in specific object recognition



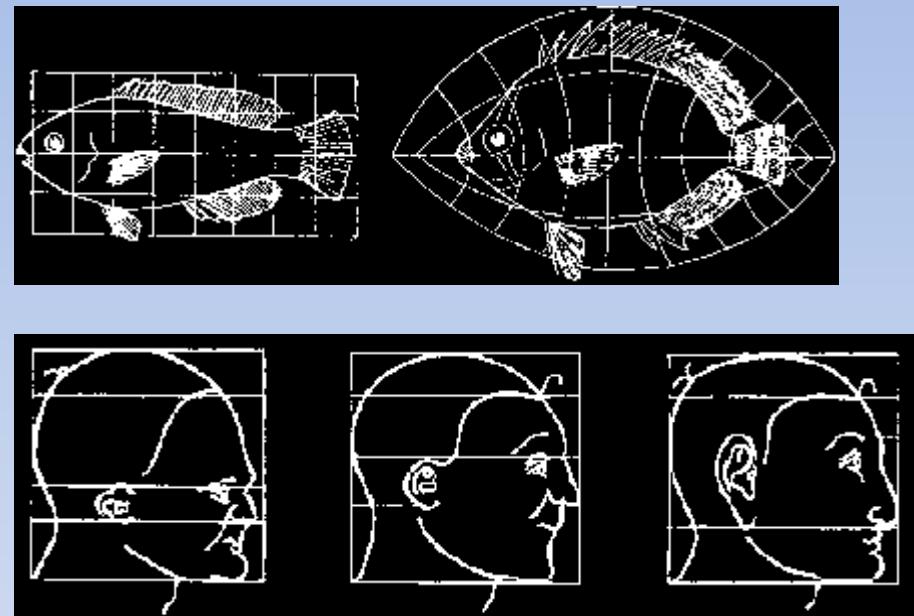
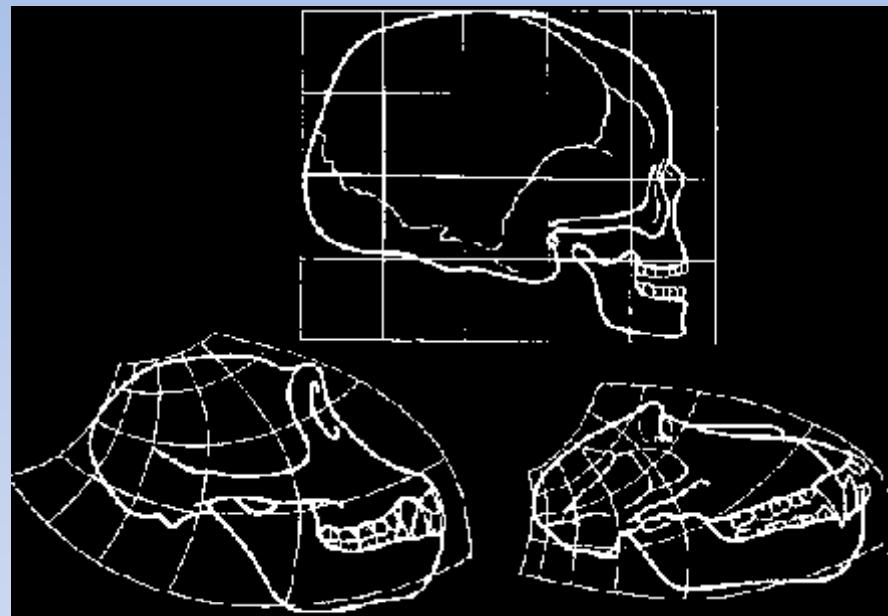
- Throw away most image information
- Parts need to be distinctive to separate from other classes

# The correspondence problem

- Model with P parts
- Image with N possible locations for each part



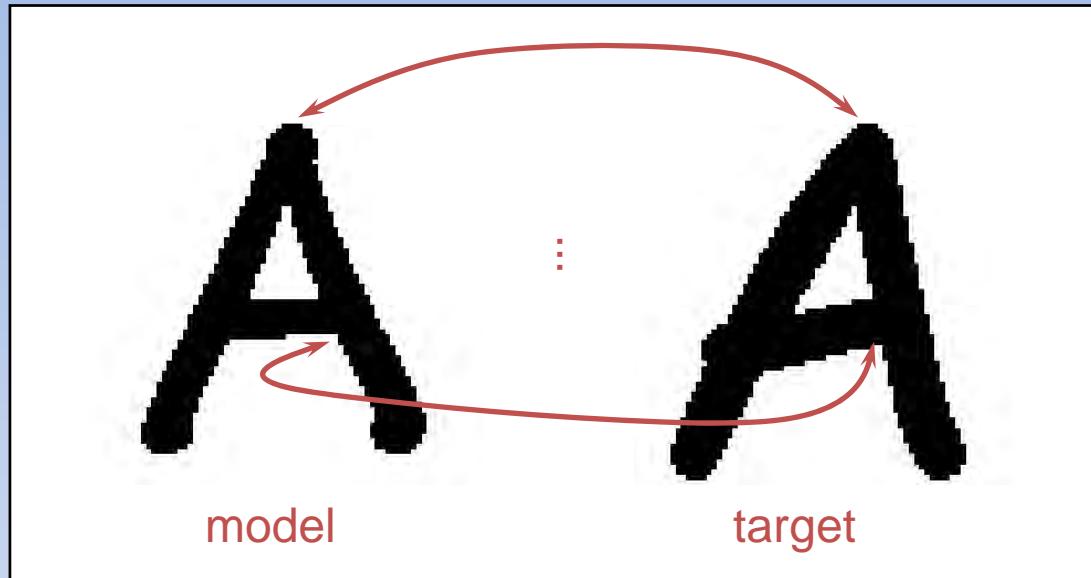
# Biological Shape



⌘ D'Arcy Thompson: On Growth and Form, 1917

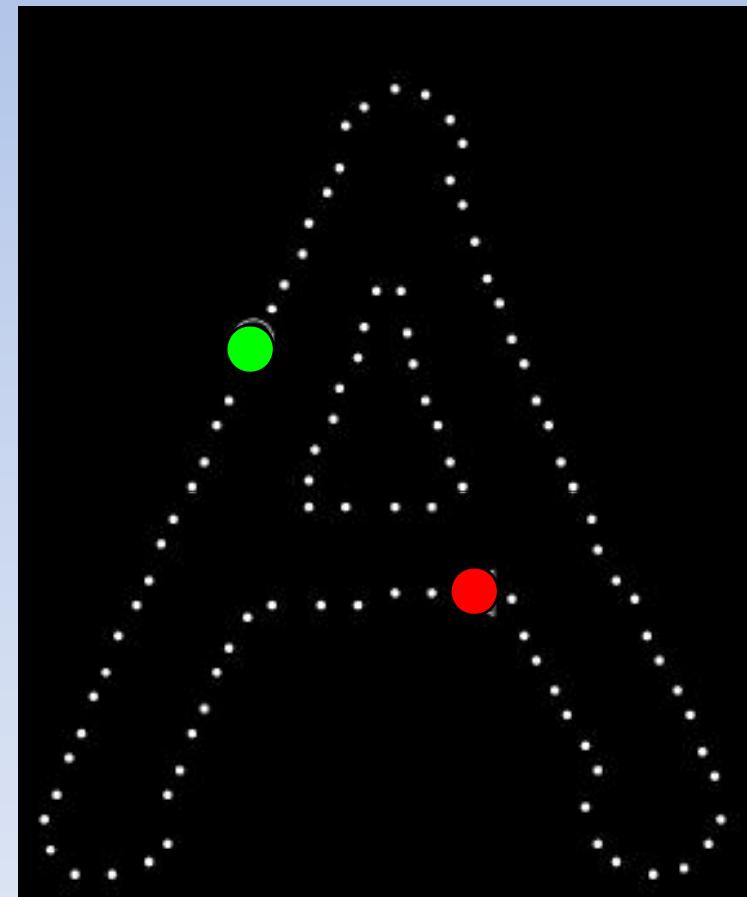
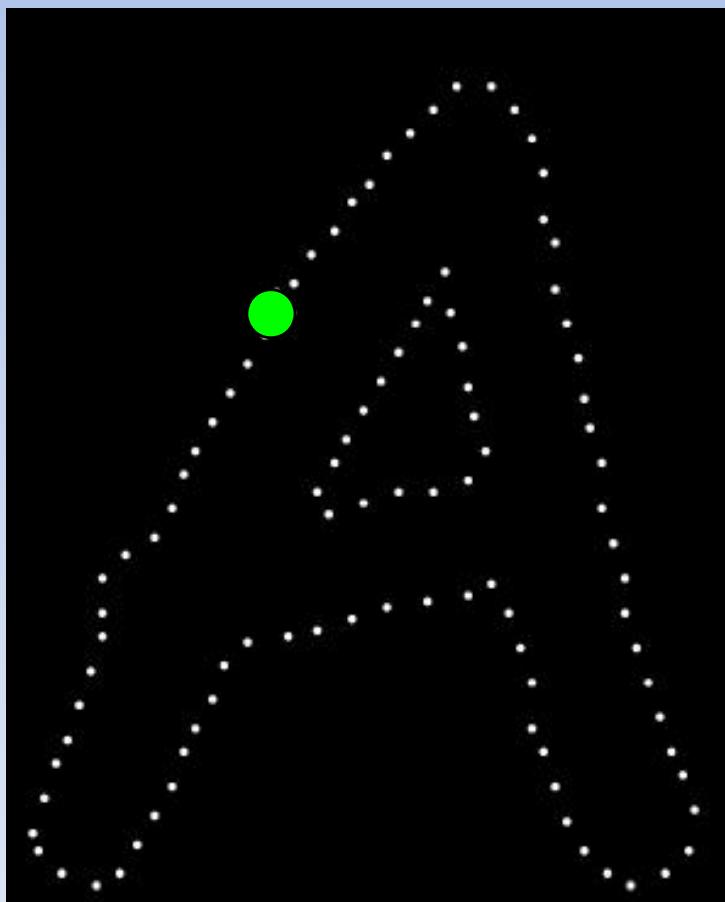
▣ studied transformations between shapes of organisms

# Matching Framework

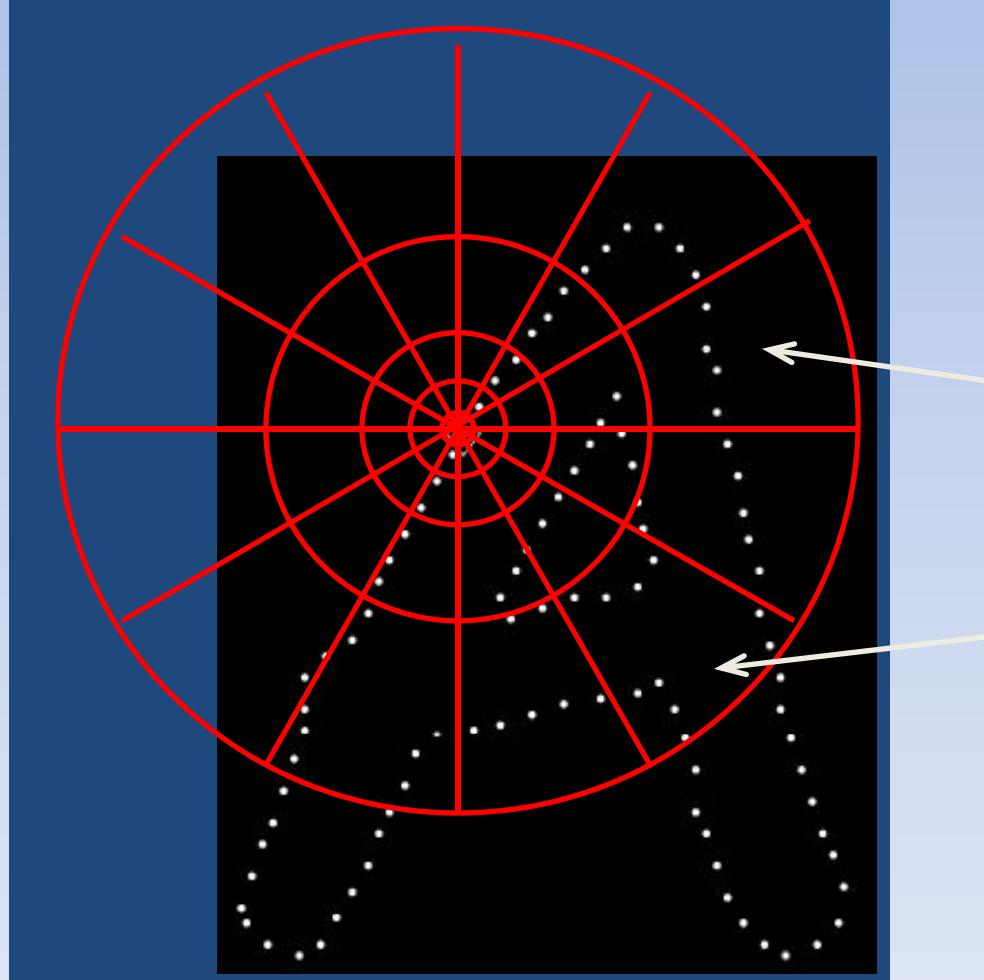


- # Find correspondences between points on shape
- # Estimate transformation & measure similarity
- # From: Greg Mori, Jitendra Malik: Recovering 3D Human Body Configurations Using Shape Contexts. IEEE Trans. Pattern Anal. Mach. Intell. 28(7): 1052-1062 (2006)

# Comparing Pointsets



# Shape Context



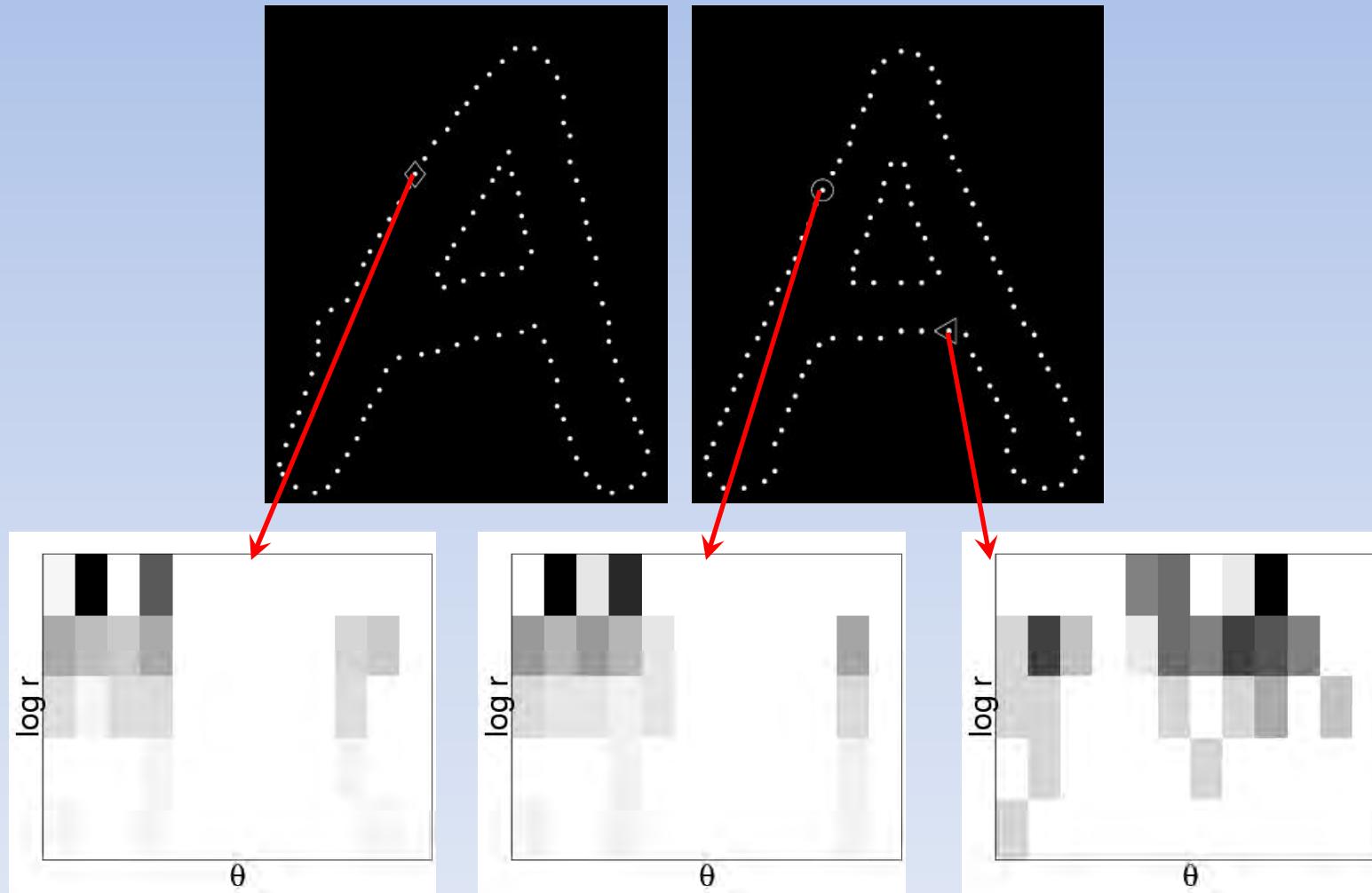
Count the number of points inside each bin, e.g.:

Count = 4

Count = 10

Compact representation of distribution of points relative to each point

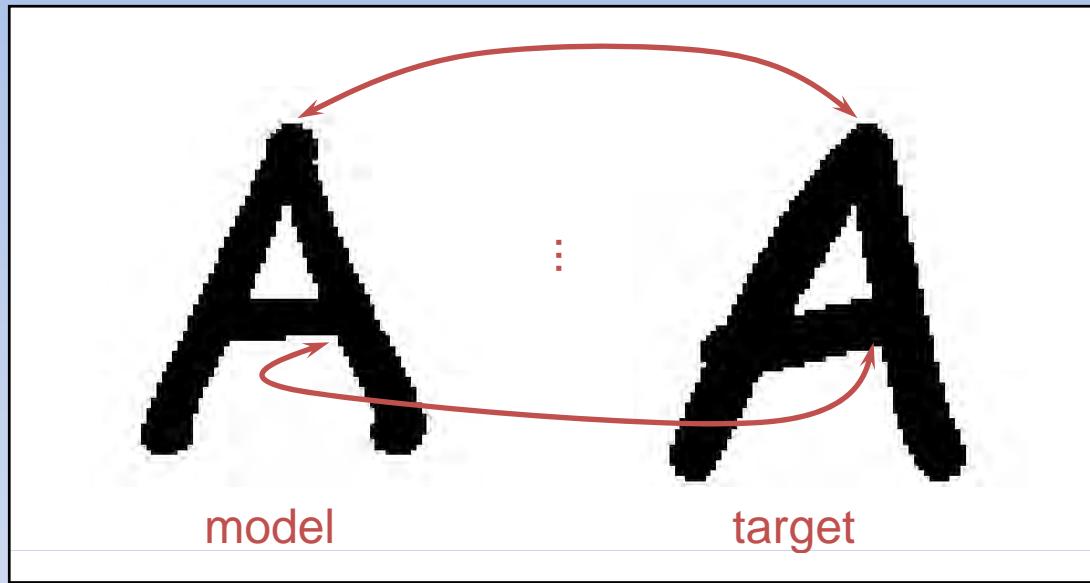
# Shape Context



# Shape Contexts

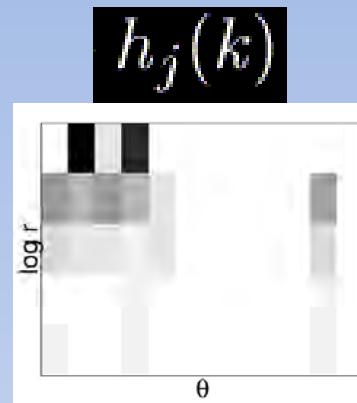
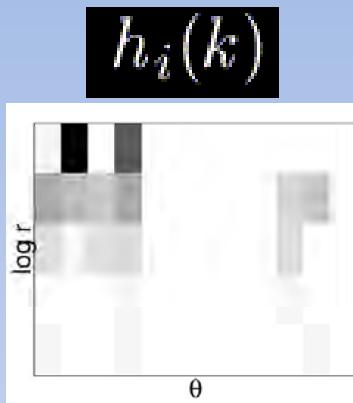
- Invariant under translation and scale
- Can be made invariant to rotation by using local tangent orientation frame
- Tolerant to small affine distortion
  - Log-polar bins make spatial blur proportional to  $r$

# Matching Framework



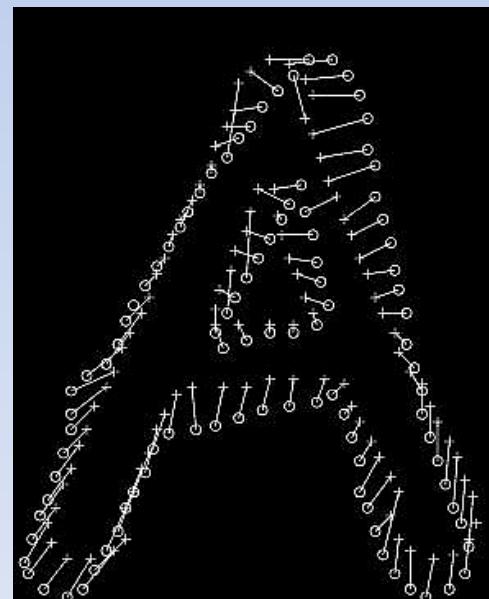
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# Comparing Shape Contexts



Compute matching costs using Chi Squared distance:

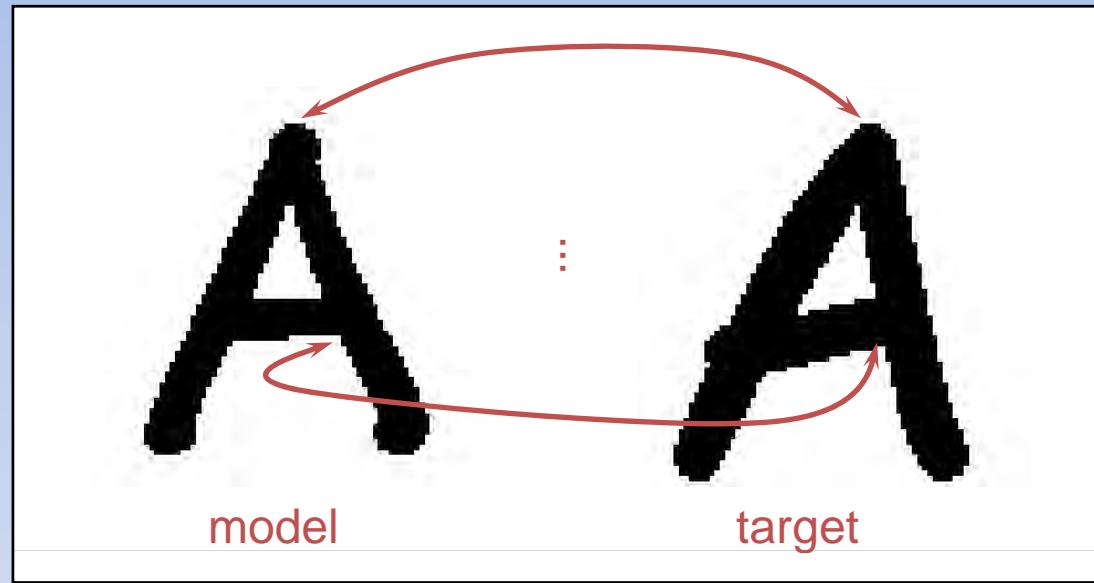
$$C_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{[h_i(k) - h_j(k)]^2}{h_i(k) + h_j(k)}$$



Recover correspondences by solving linear assignment problem with costs  $C_{ij}$

[Jonker & Volgenant 1987]

# Matching Framework



⌘ Find correspondences between points on shape

⌘ Estimate transformation & measure similarity

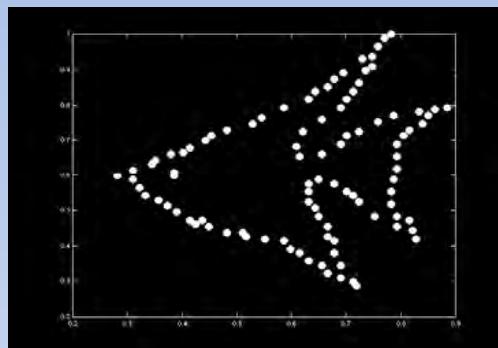
# Thin Plate Spline Model

⌘ Minimizes bending energy:

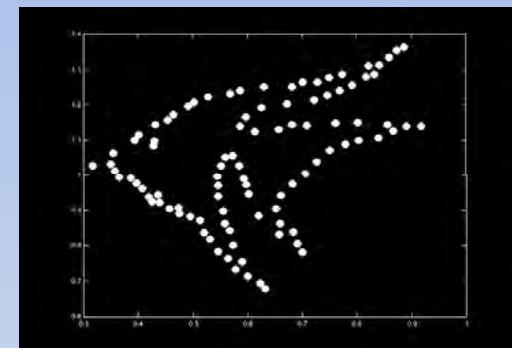
$$I_f = \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \right)^2 + 2 \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right)^2 dx dy$$

⌘ Solve by inverting linear system  
⌘ Can be regularized when data is inexact

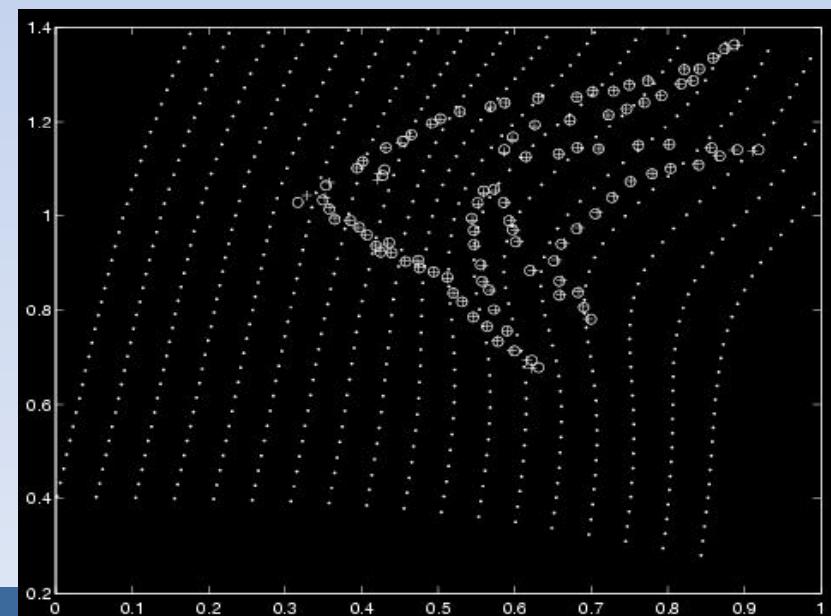
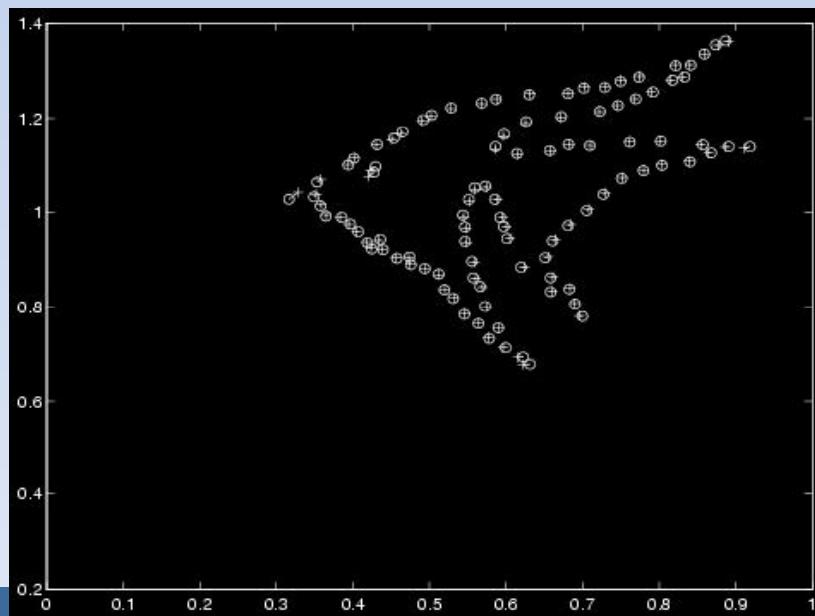
# Matching Example



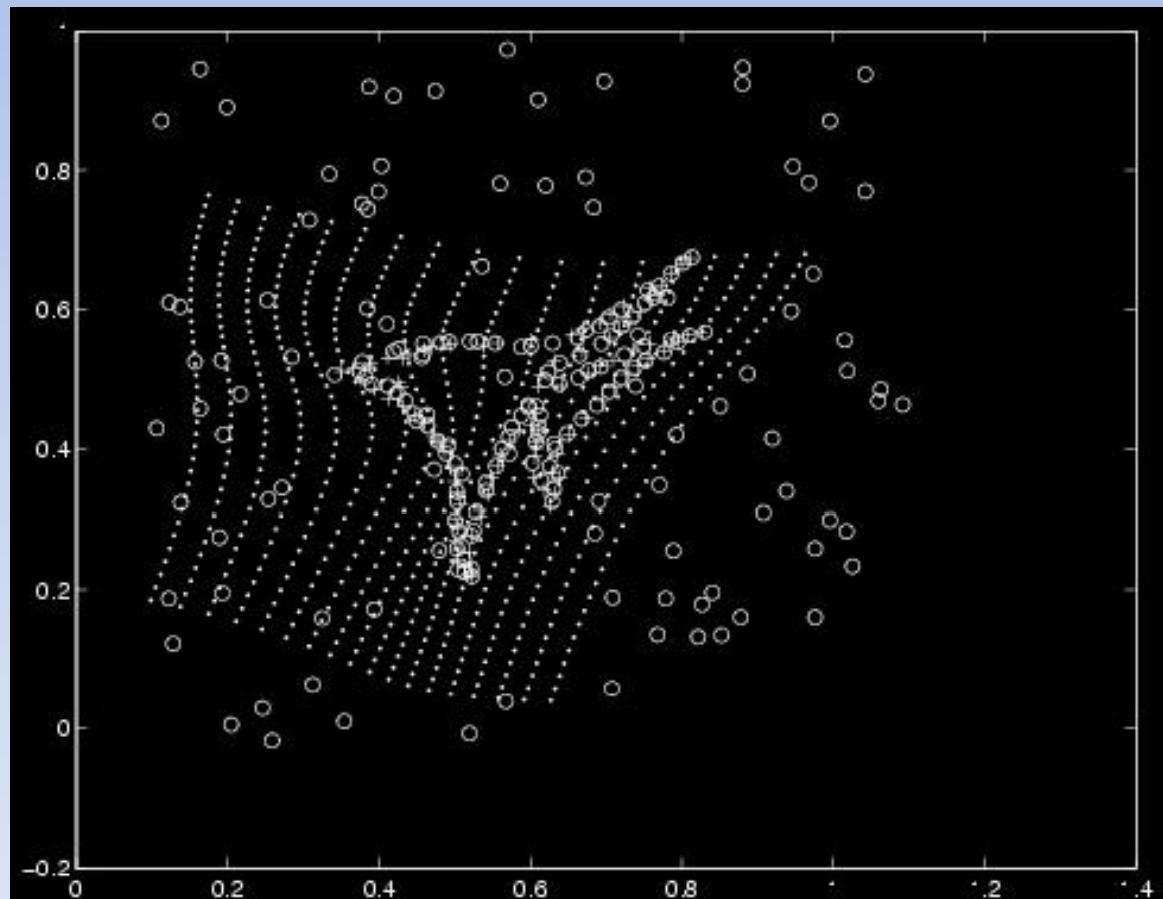
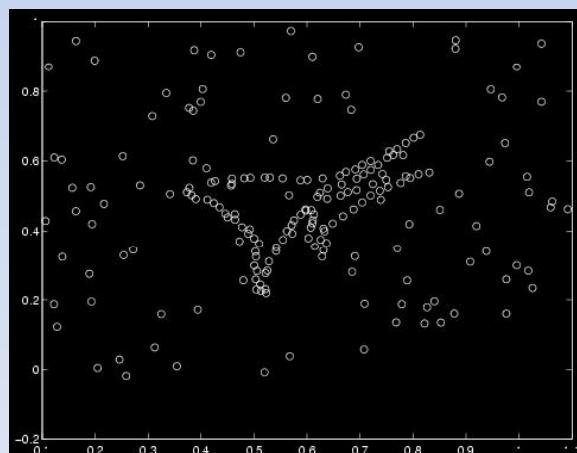
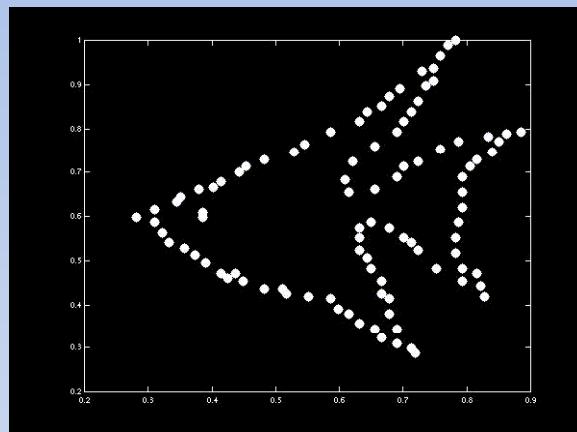
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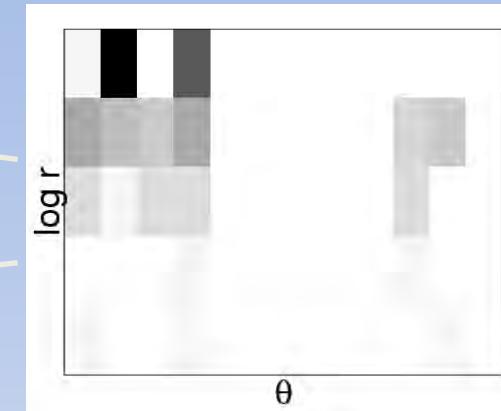
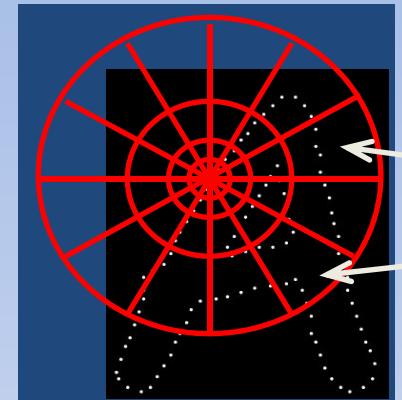
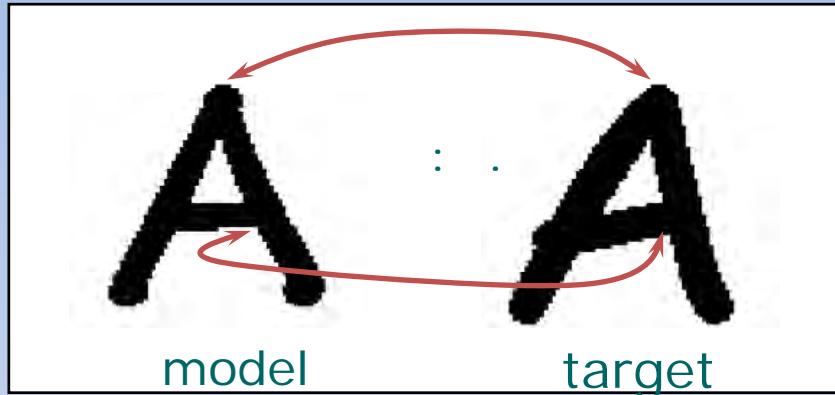
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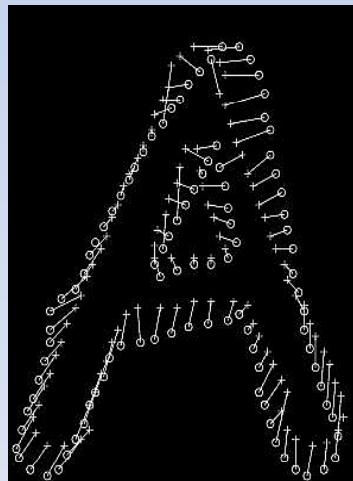
# Outlier Test Example



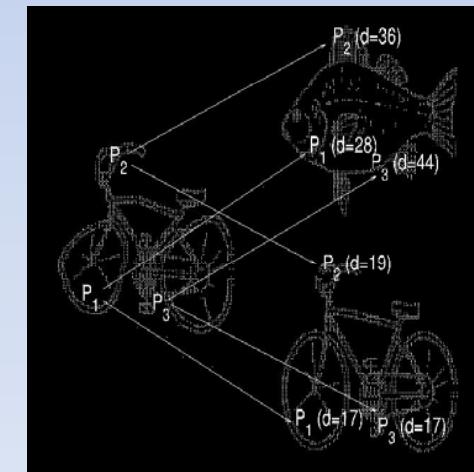
# Extending features to contexts



$$O_j \rightarrow \{\{c_{11}, c_{12}, \dots, c_{1m_1}\}, \{c_{21}, c_{22}, \dots\}, \dots, \{c_{n1}, \dots, c_{nm_n}\}\} = \{C_{1j}, C_{2j}, \dots, C_{nj}\}$$



1. Landmarks correspondences based on correlograms
2. Non-rigid correspondence based on Thin-Plate Splines
3. Retrieval based on the object descriptors difference

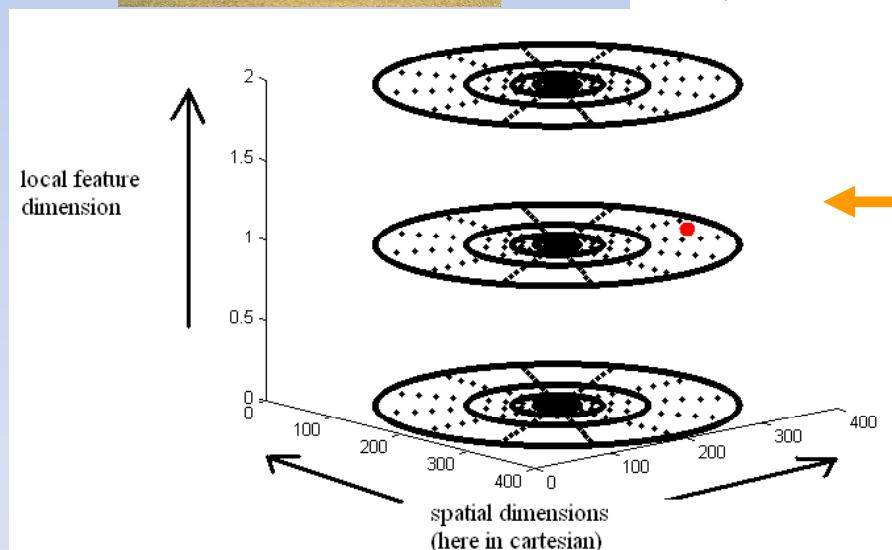
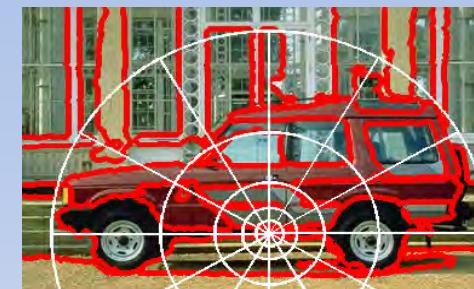
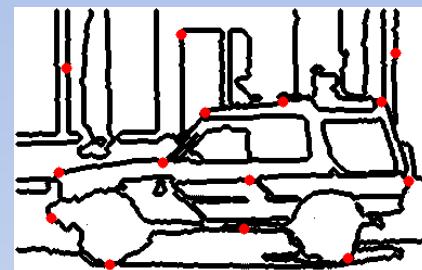


# Non-rigid matching based on context

- How to choose landmarks?
- How to extend the method to real images?
- How to choose adequate local descriptors?
- How to construct compact and efficient contexts for object retrieval?
- Robust classification can help to:
  - Select the most relevant local descriptors
  - Construct compact object contexts
  - Achieve object retrieval invariant to transformations, different appearance and views of the object

# The feature space

Let us consider a context consisting of local descriptors and mutual spatial relations



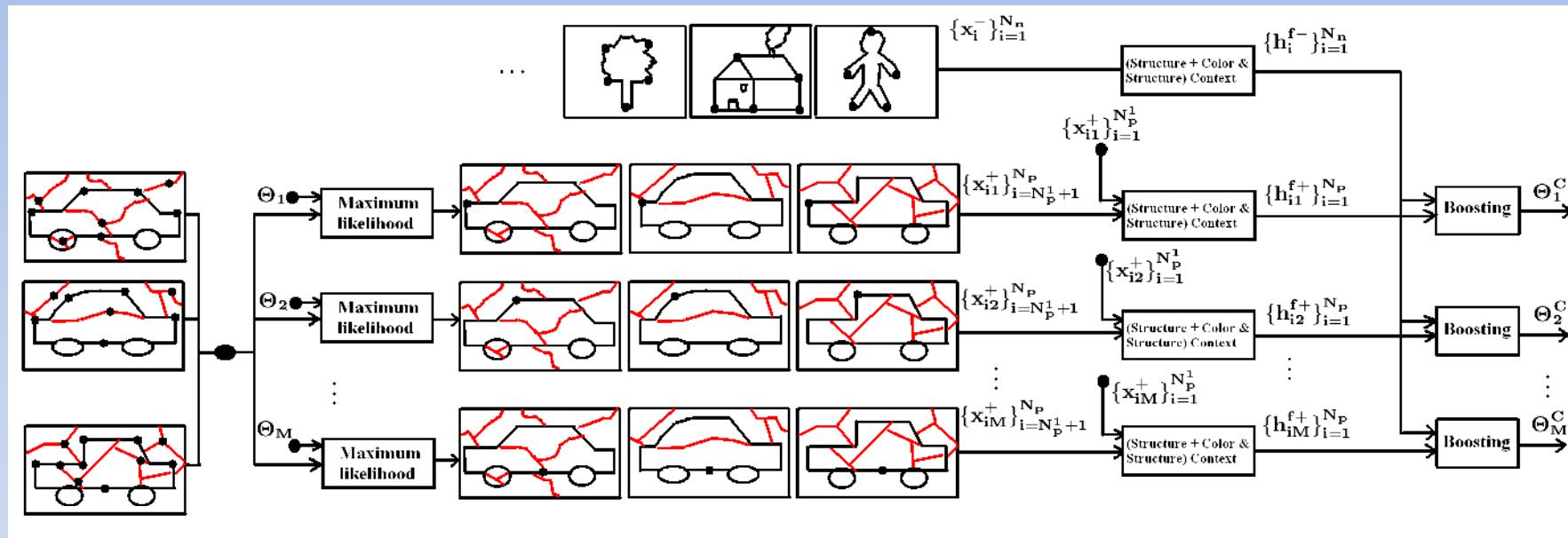
$$X = \{x_j\}_{j=1}^M$$

$$(p_i - x_j) \rightarrow (\alpha_{ij}, r_{ij})$$

$$v_{ij} = (\alpha_{ij}, r_{ij}, l_{i1}, l_{i2}, \dots, l_{id})$$

**From: Jaume Amores, Nicu Sebe, Petia Radeva: Fast Spatial Pattern Discovery Integrating Boosting with Constellations of Contextual Descriptors. CVPR (2) 2005: 769-774**

# Object descriptors



- Apply the classifiers to detect the landmarks in the non-segmented images
- Form the complete context

# Terms in Similarity Score

- Shape Context difference
- Local Image appearance difference
  - orientation
  - gray-level correlation in Gaussian window
  - ... (many more possible)
- Bending energy

# Object Recognition Experiments

- Handwritten digits
- COIL 3D objects (Nayar-Murase)
- Human body configurations
- Trademarks

# Handwritten Digit Recognition

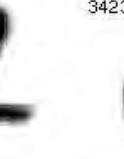
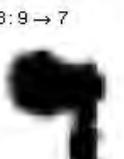
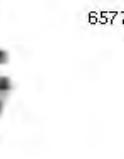
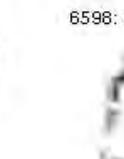
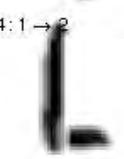
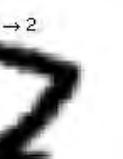
- MNIST 60 000:
  - linear: 12.0%
  - 40 PCA+ quad: 3.3%
  - 1000 RBF +linear: 3.6%
  - K-NN: 5%
  - K-NN (deskewed): 2.4%
  - K-NN (tangent dist.): 1.1%
  - SVM: 1.1%
  - LeNet 5: 0.95%

⌘ MNIST 600 000  
(distortions):

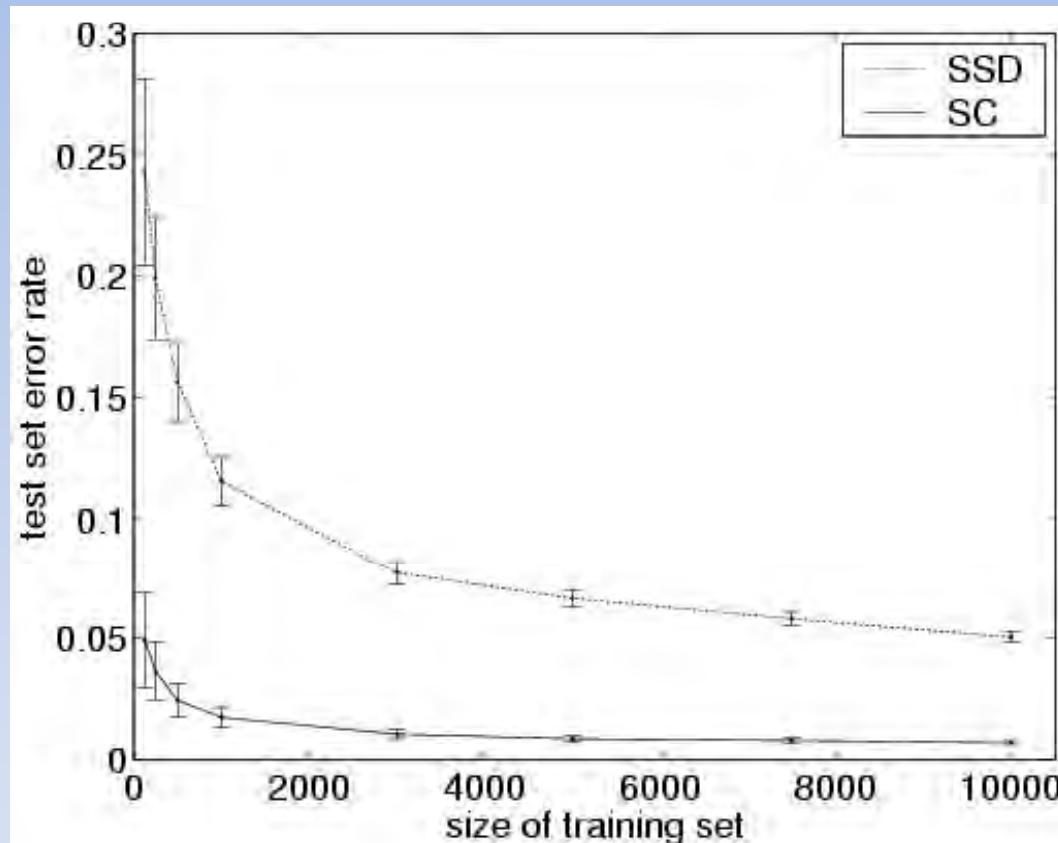
- ◻ LeNet 5: 0.8%
- ◻ SVM: 0.8%
- ◻ Boosted LeNet 4: 0.7%

⌘ MNIST 20 000:

- ◻ K-NN, Shape Context matching: 0.63%

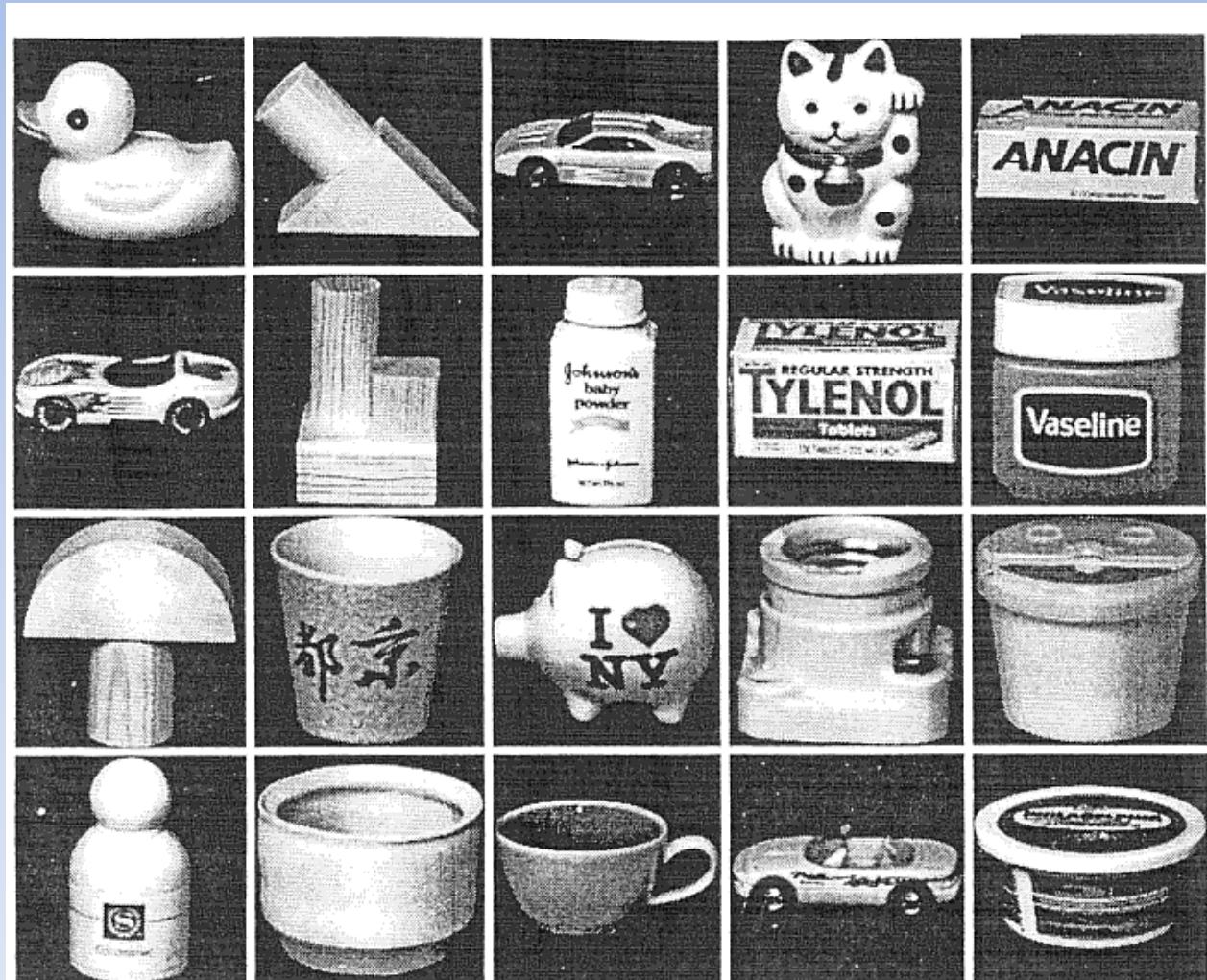
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210: 9 → 7	448: 4 → 9	583: 8 → 3	692: 8 → 9	717: 1 → 7	948: 8 → 9	1034: 8 → 0	1113: 4 → 6	1227: 7 → 2
								
1248: 9 → 5	1300: 5 → 7	1320: 8 → 3	1531: 8 → 7	1682: 3 → 7	1710: 9 → 5	1791: 2 → 7	1879: 8 → 3	1902: 9 → 4
								
2041: 5 → 6	2074: 5 → 6	2099: 2 → 0	2131: 4 → 9	2183: 1 → 2	2238: 5 → 6	2448: 4 → 9	2463: 2 → 0	2583: 9 → 7
								
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3559: 5 → 0	3822: 9 → 4	3851: 9 → 4	4094: 9 → 7	4164: 9 → 7	4202: 1 → 7	4370: 9 → 4	4498: 8 → 7	4506: 9 → 7
								
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# Results: Digit Recognition

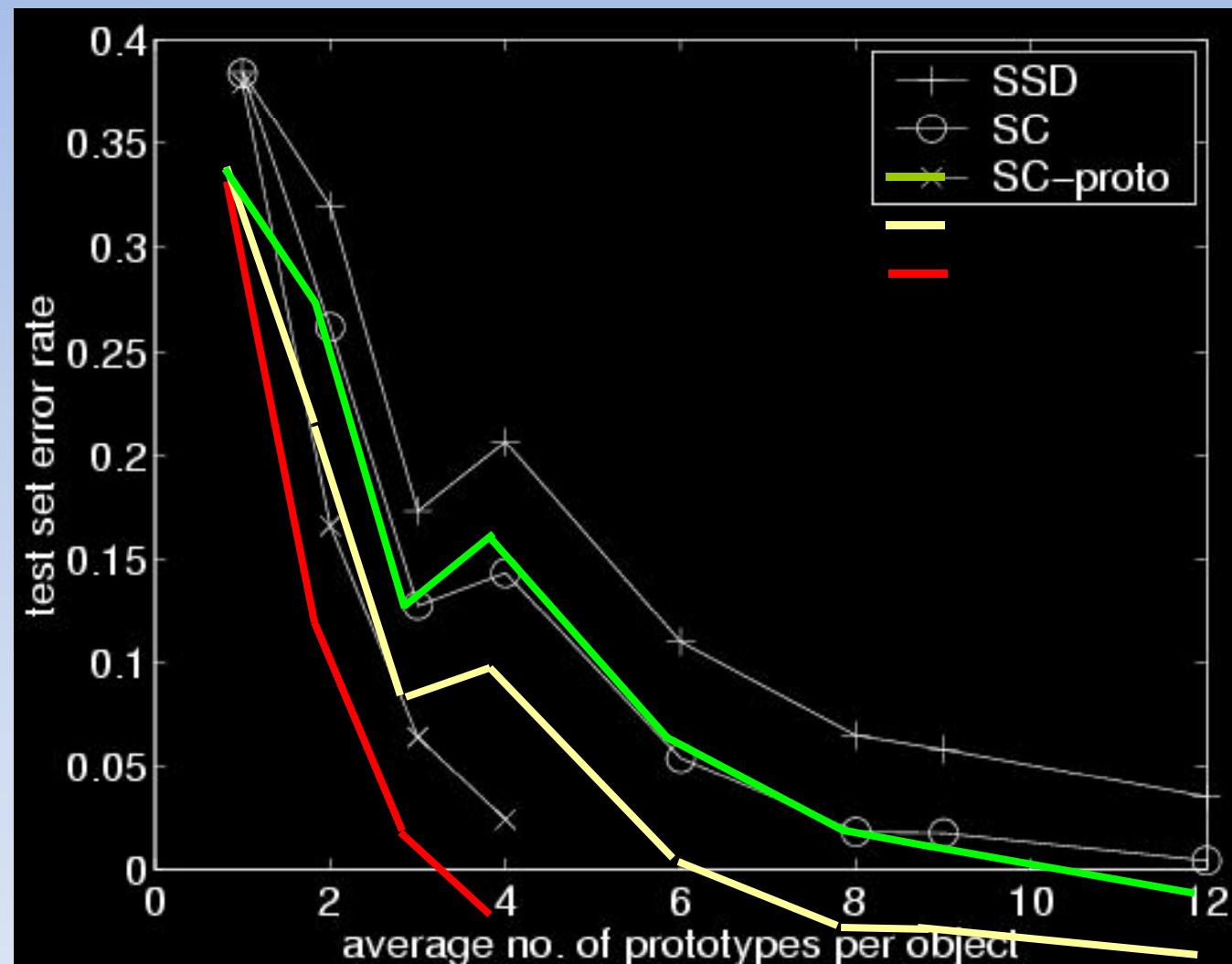


1-NN classifier using:  
Shape context + 0.3 \* bending + 1.6 \* image appearance

# COIL Object Database



# Error vs. Number of Views

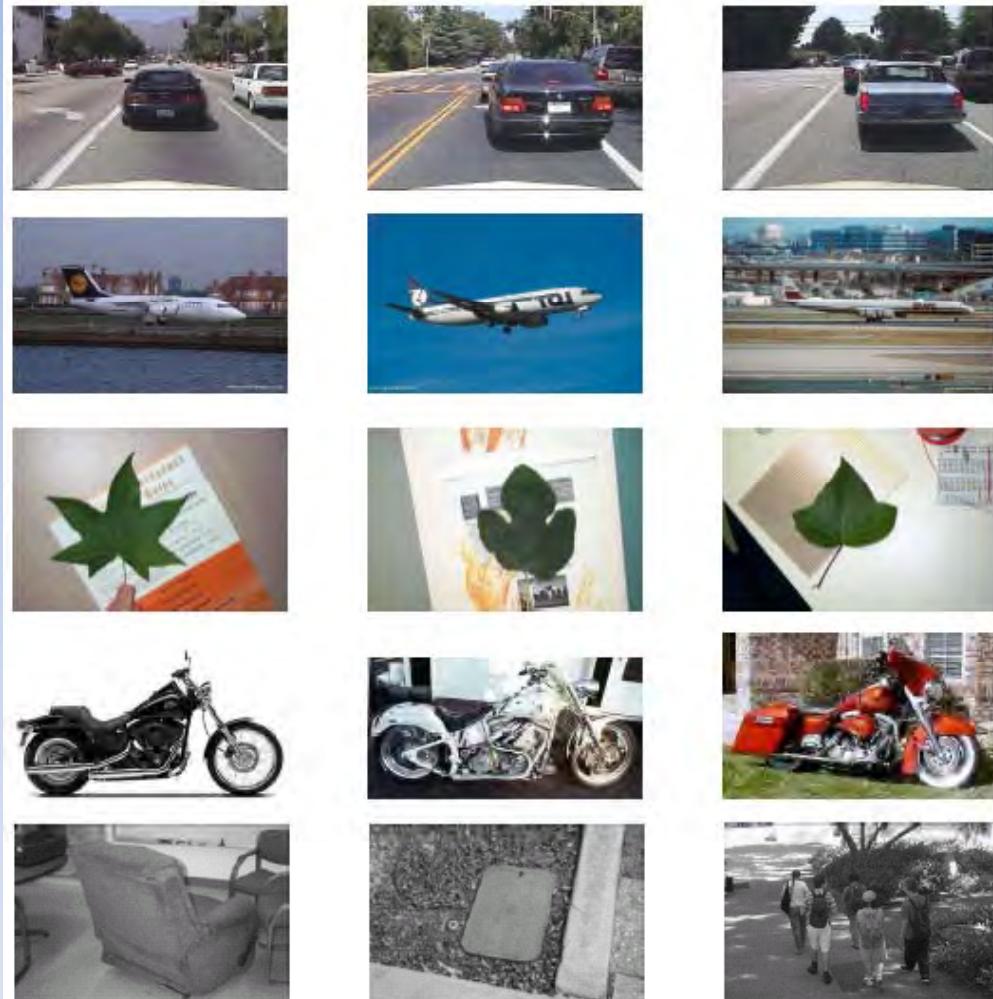


# Prototypes Selected for 2 Categories

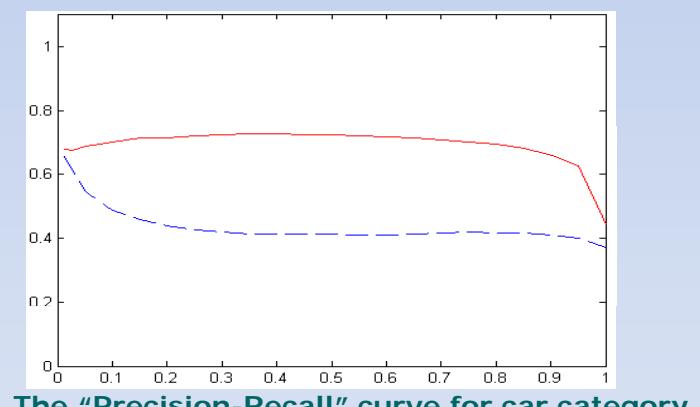
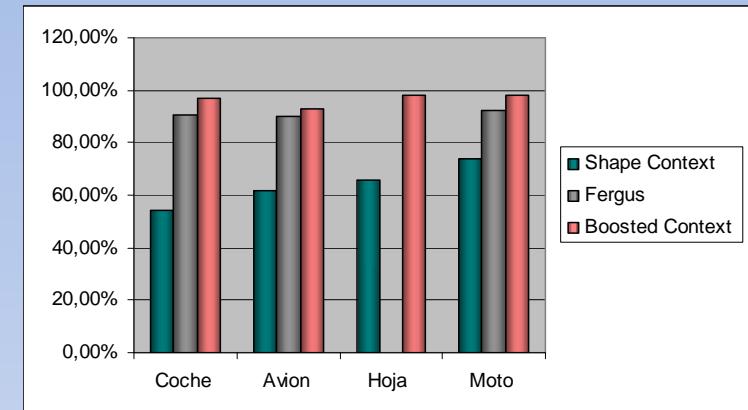


Details in Belongie, Malik & Puzicha (NIPS2000)

# Retrieval validation



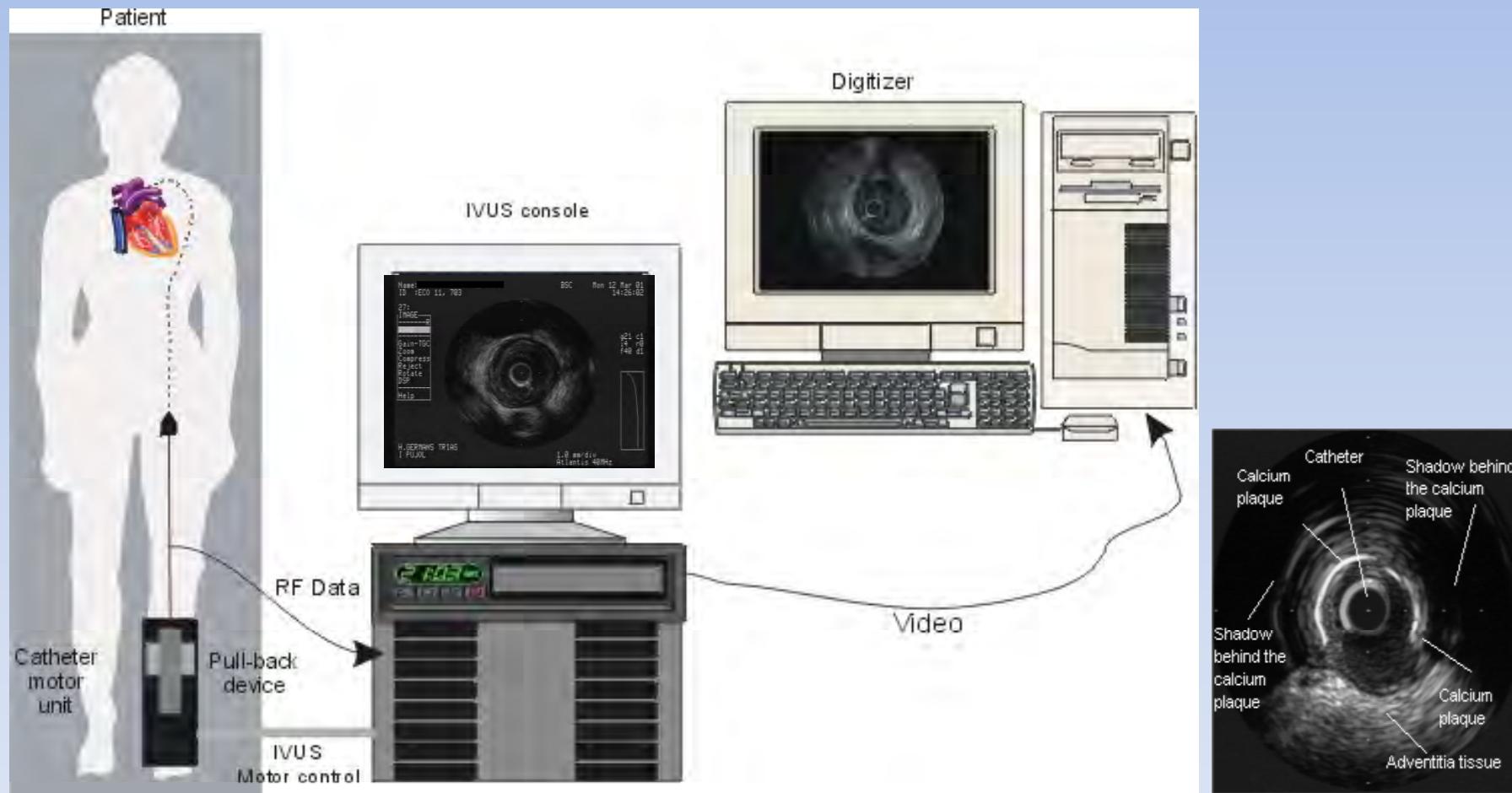
- 3512 images,
- 4 categories



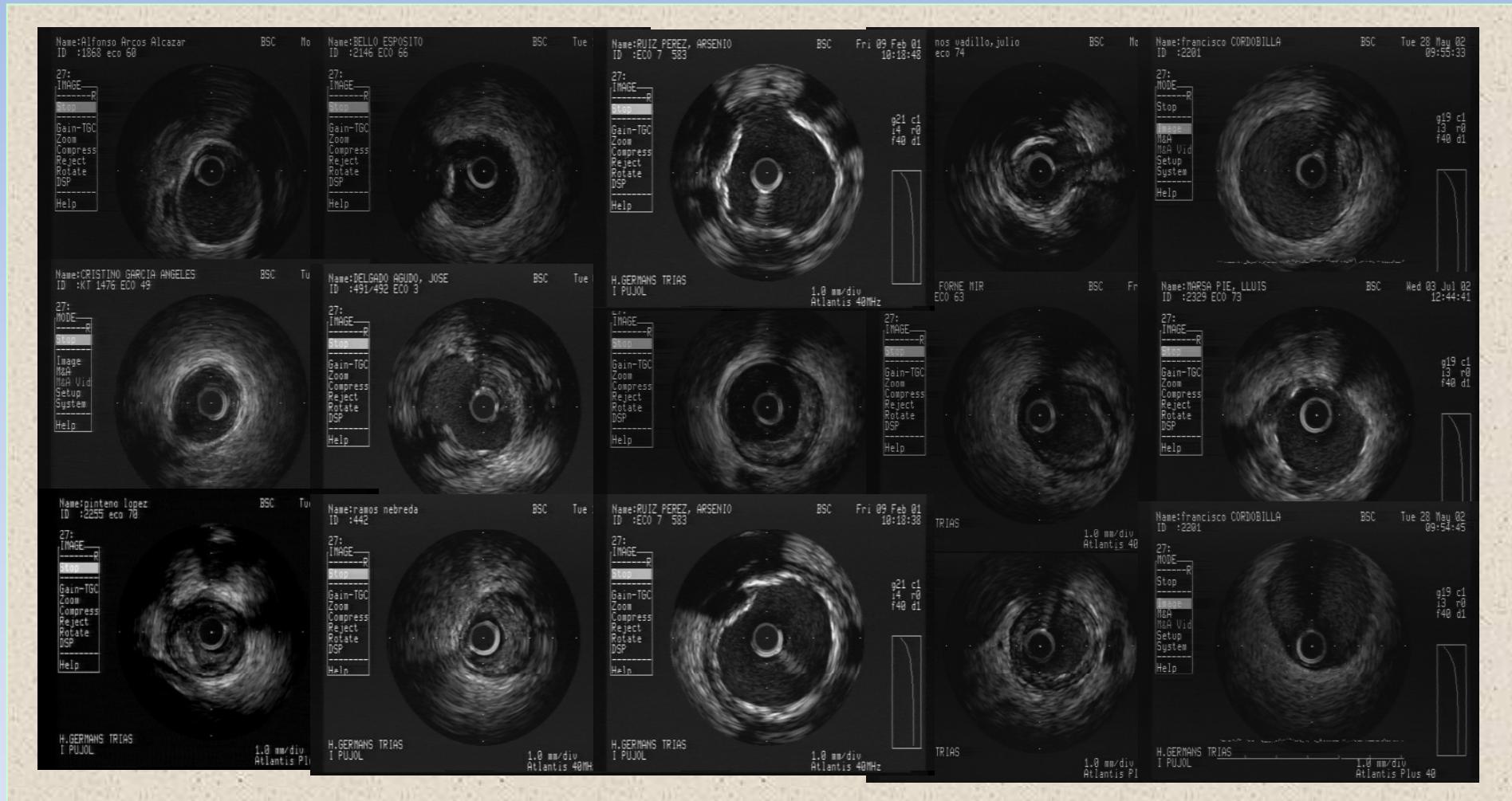
$$\text{Precision} = \text{TP}/(\text{TP} + \text{FP})$$

$$\text{Recall} = \text{TP}/(\text{TP} + \text{FN})$$

# IVUS retrieval by shape context



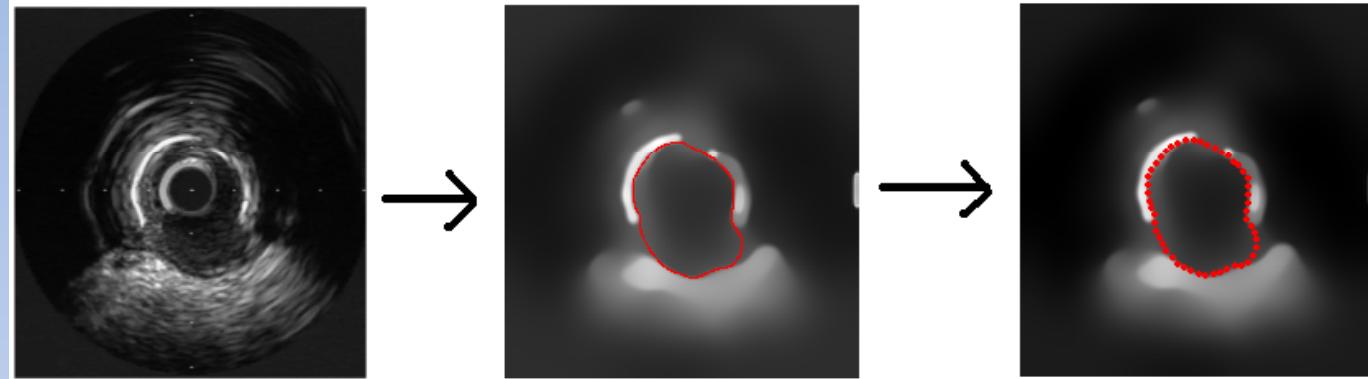
# Tissue characterization and retrieval



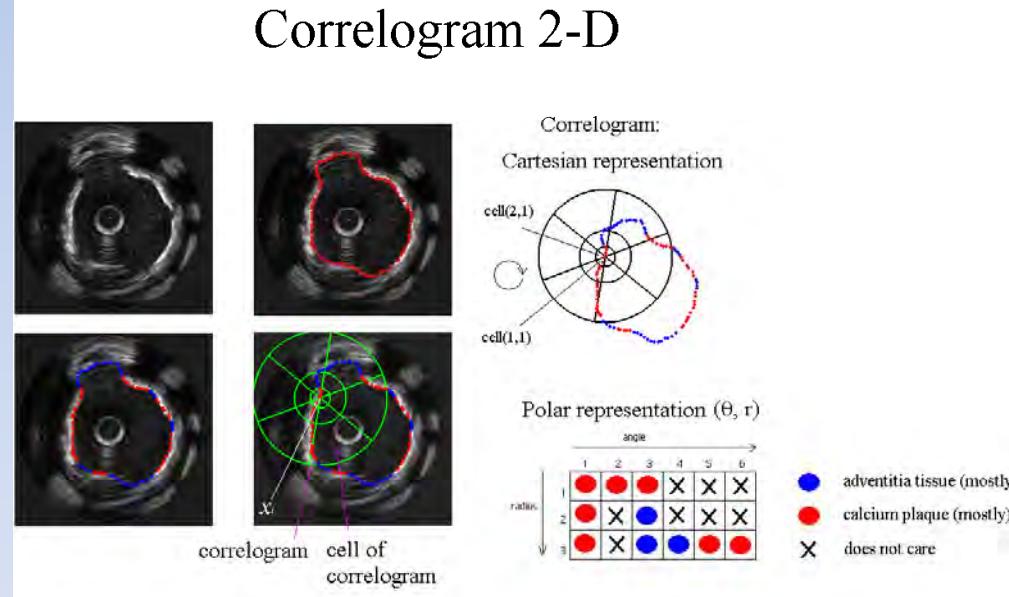
# Context shape for IVUS retrieval

- What should be our features?
  - Generate context on different and customized feature set
- What should be our classifiers?
  - Generate (multiple) classifiers
  - Determine the decision rule

# Boosted Context Retrieval of IVUS

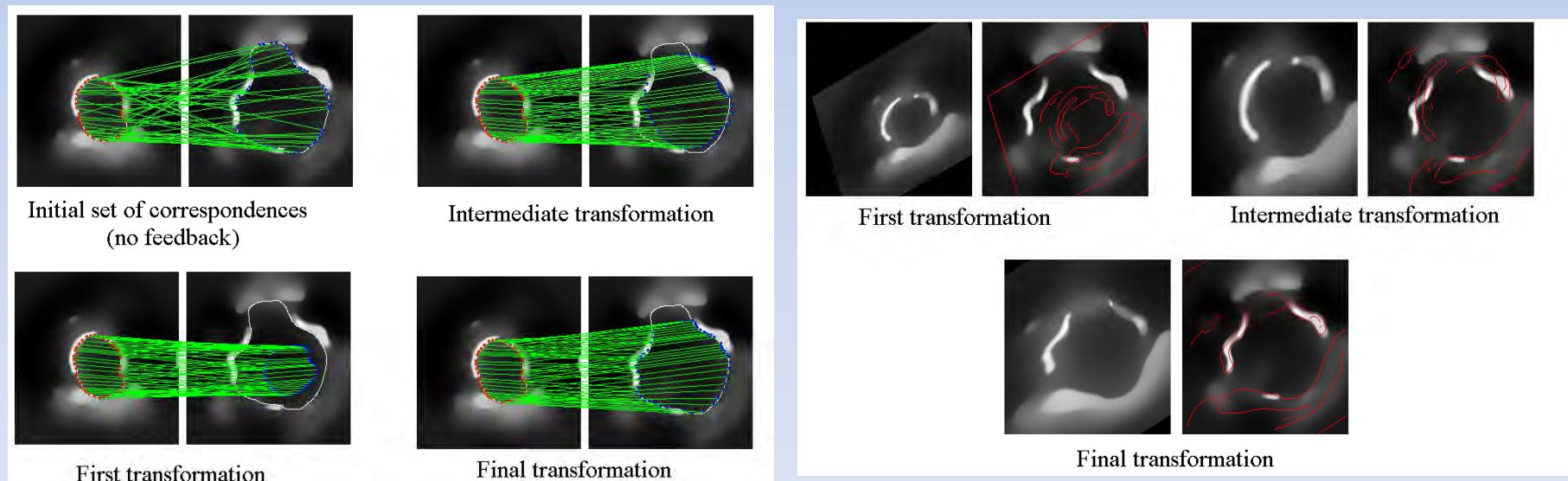
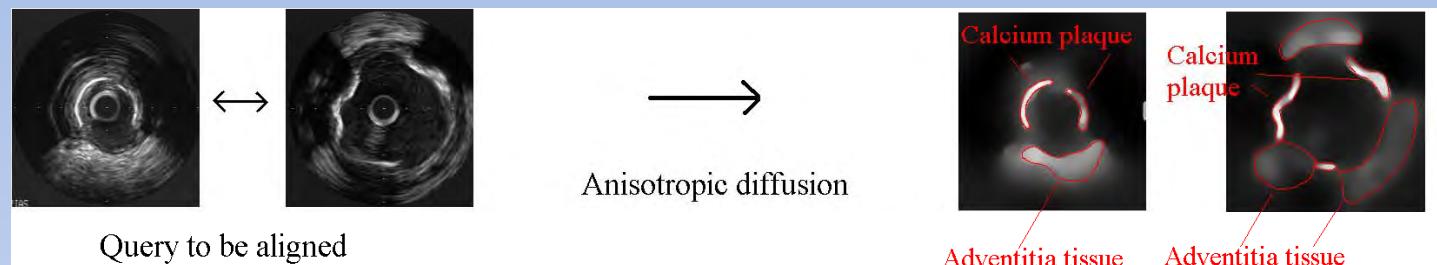


Correlogram 2-D

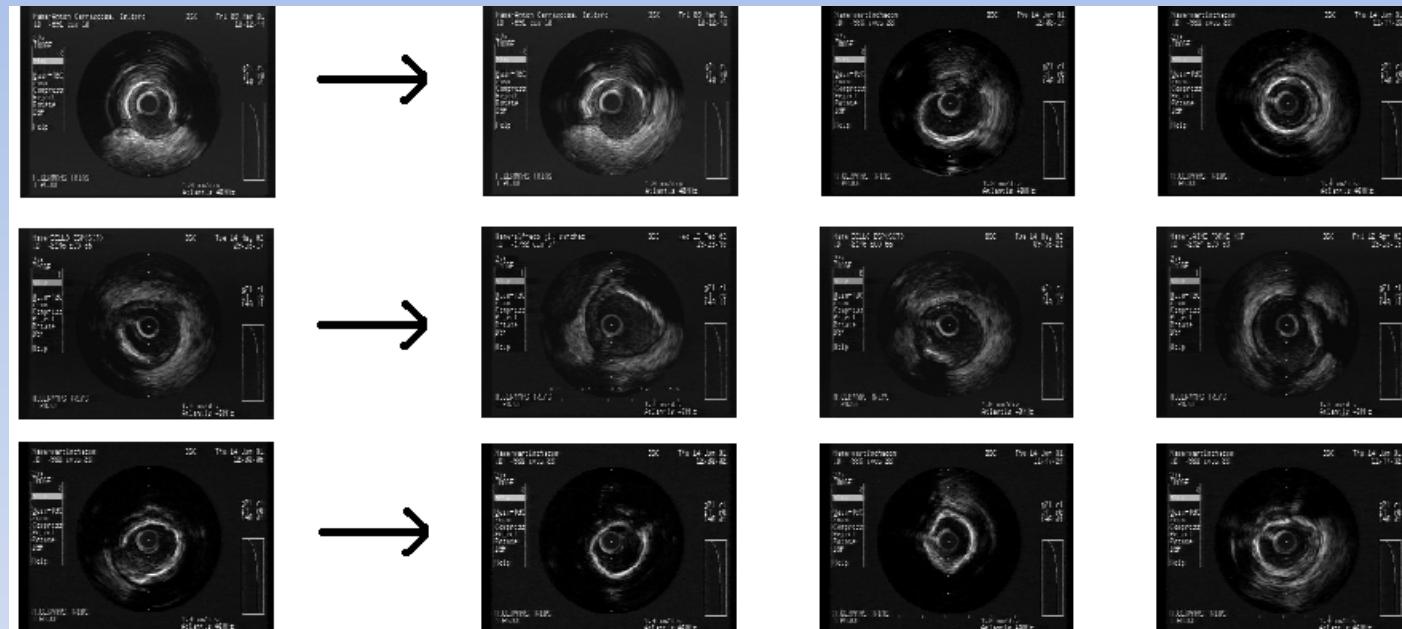


From: Jaume Amores, Petia Radeva: Retrieval of IVUS images using contextual information and elastic matching. Int. J. Intell. Syst. 20(5): 541-559 (2005)

# Context Matching of IVUS



# Context Retrieval



Test: the probability to appear the most similar case in the first 3 automatically retrieved is 85%.

# Conclusions

- Elegant way to integrate relation between parts of the object into the registration process
- Not necessarily connected object boundaries
- Allows to extend to 3D and 4D
- Allows to integrate different feature descriptors
- Validated in extensive public domain databases and medical problems