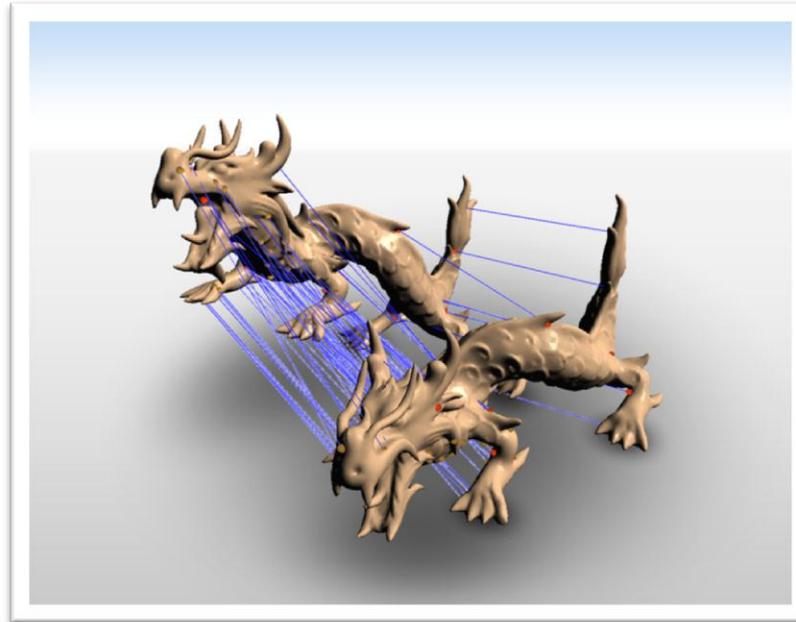


# Statistical Geometry Processing

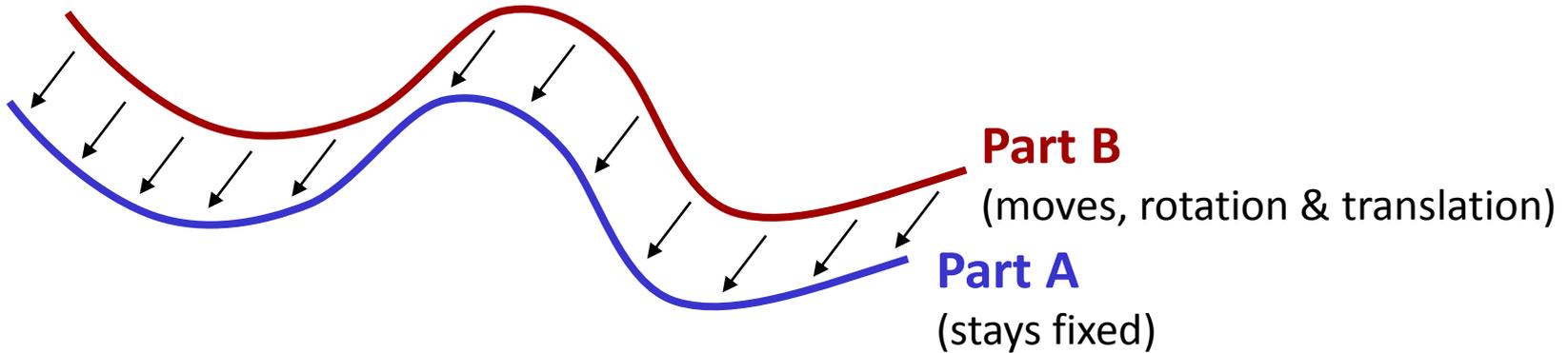
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## Global Shape Matching

# Rigid Global Matching

# Iterated Closest Points (ICP)



## Problems

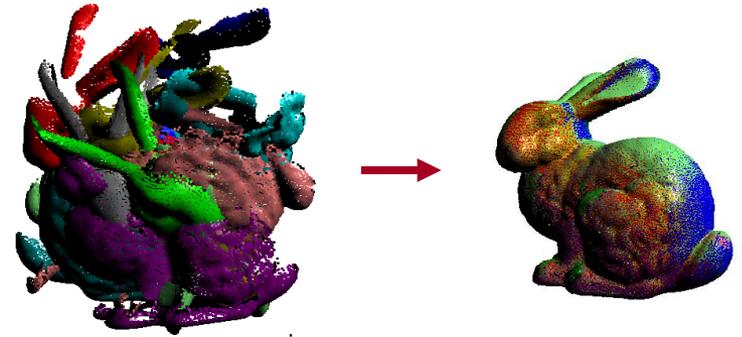
- Need good initialization
  - Non-convex problem
  - Runs into local minima
- Deformable shape matching
  - Even worse: bad initialization even more problematic
  - Reason: more degrees of freedom

# Global Matching

How to assemble the bunny (globally)?

Pipeline (rough sketch):

- Feature detection
- Feature descriptors
- Spectral validation



# Feature Detection

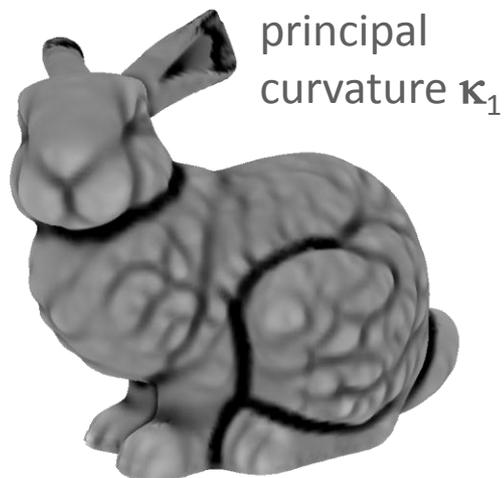
## Feature points (keypoints)

- Regions that can be identified locally
- “Bumps”, i.e. points with maximum curvature
  - “curvature”  $\in \left\{ \kappa_1, \kappa_2, \frac{1}{2}(\kappa_1 + \kappa_2), \kappa_1 \cdot \kappa_2 \right\}$
  - Mean/principal curvature most stable  
( $\kappa_2$  often inaccurate when computed by least-squares fitting)
  - “SIFT” features – compute bumps at multiple scales:
    - With with different radii
    - Search for maxima in 3D surface-scale space
  - Output: list of keypoints

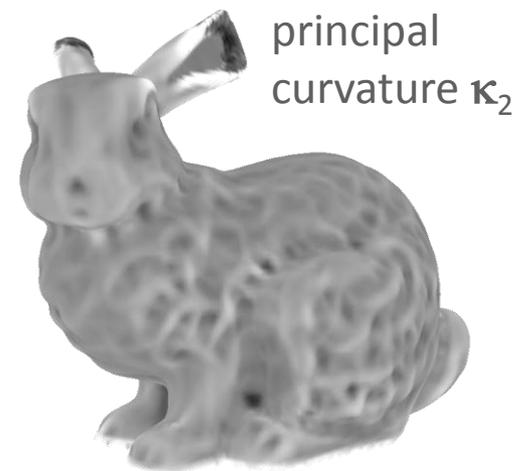
# Bunny Curvature



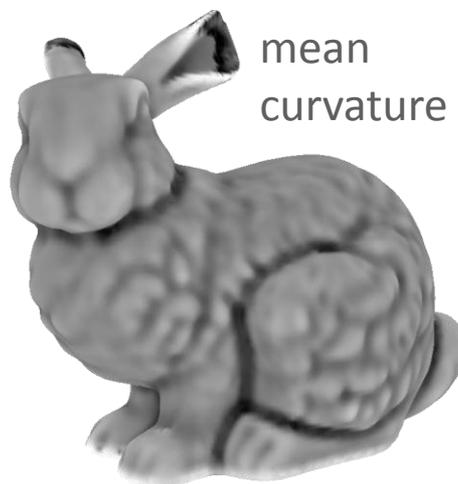
Stanford Bunny  
(dense point cloud)



principal  
curvature  $\kappa_1$



principal  
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mean  
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Gaussian  
curvature

[courtesy of Martin Bokeloh]

# Descriptors

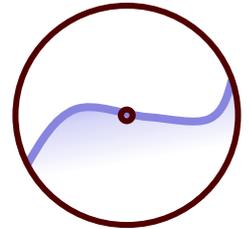
## Feature descriptors:

- Rotation invariant description of local neighborhood (within scale of the feature point)
  - Translation already fixed by feature point
- Used to find match candidates
- Not 100% reliable (typically 3x – 5x outlier ratio)

# Descriptors

## Rotation invariant descriptors:

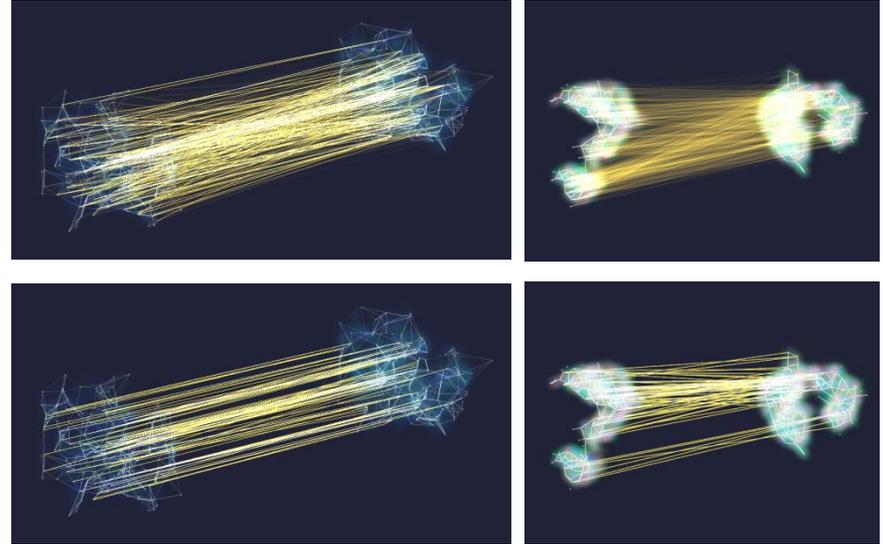
- Curvatures  $\{\kappa_1, \kappa_2\}$ , derived properties
  - Curvature histograms in spherical neighborhood
- Pairwise distances
  - “d2-Histograms”: Histogram of pairwise distance within sphere
  - Histogram of distances to medial axis
- Spin images
  - Use surface normal
  - Cut-out sphere
  - Rotate geometry around sphere and splat into “spin-image”
- Spherical harmonics power spectrum, Zernicke descriptors



# Correspondence Validation

## We have:

- Candidate matches
- But every keypoint matches 5 others on average
- At most one of these is correct



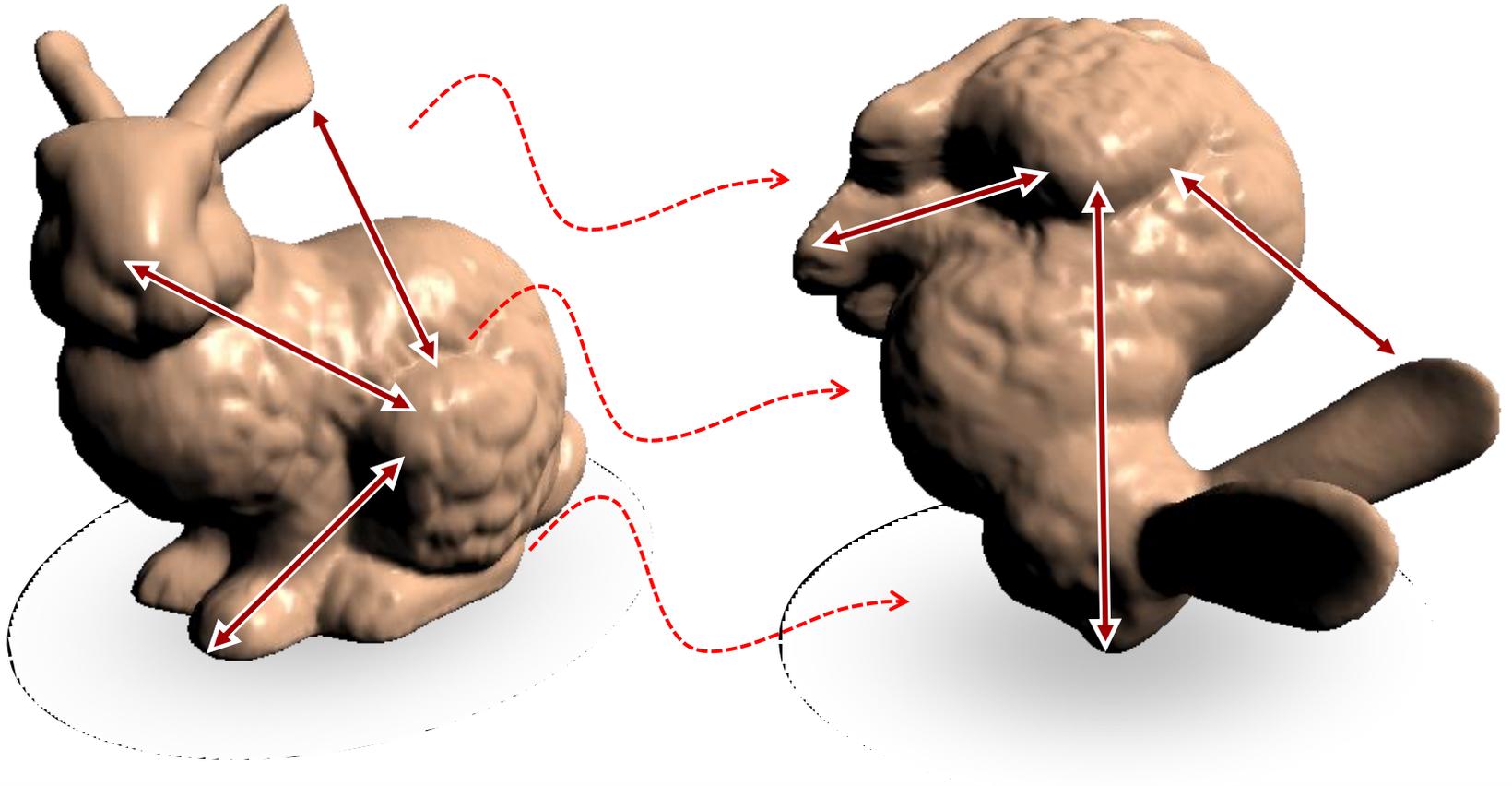
## Validation Criterion:

- Euclidian distance should be preserved

# Invariants

## Rigid Matching

- Invariant: Euclidean distances are preserved



# Branch and Bound

## Simple Algorithm:

- Branch-and-bound [Gelfand et al. 2005]
- Fix correspondences, prune all incompatible ones (i.e., violation of Euclidian distance)
- Try all possibilities

## Efficiency:

- Efficient for sparse (widely spaced) features
  - Only few combinations work
- Possibly exponential for dense features (try many equivalent solutions)

# Alternatives

## **Alternatives:** We will look at

- Spectral matching
- Randomized search

## **Further alternatives:**

- Loopy belief propagation  
("Correlated Correspondences", Anguelov 2005).
- Quadratic assignment heuristics

## **Important:**

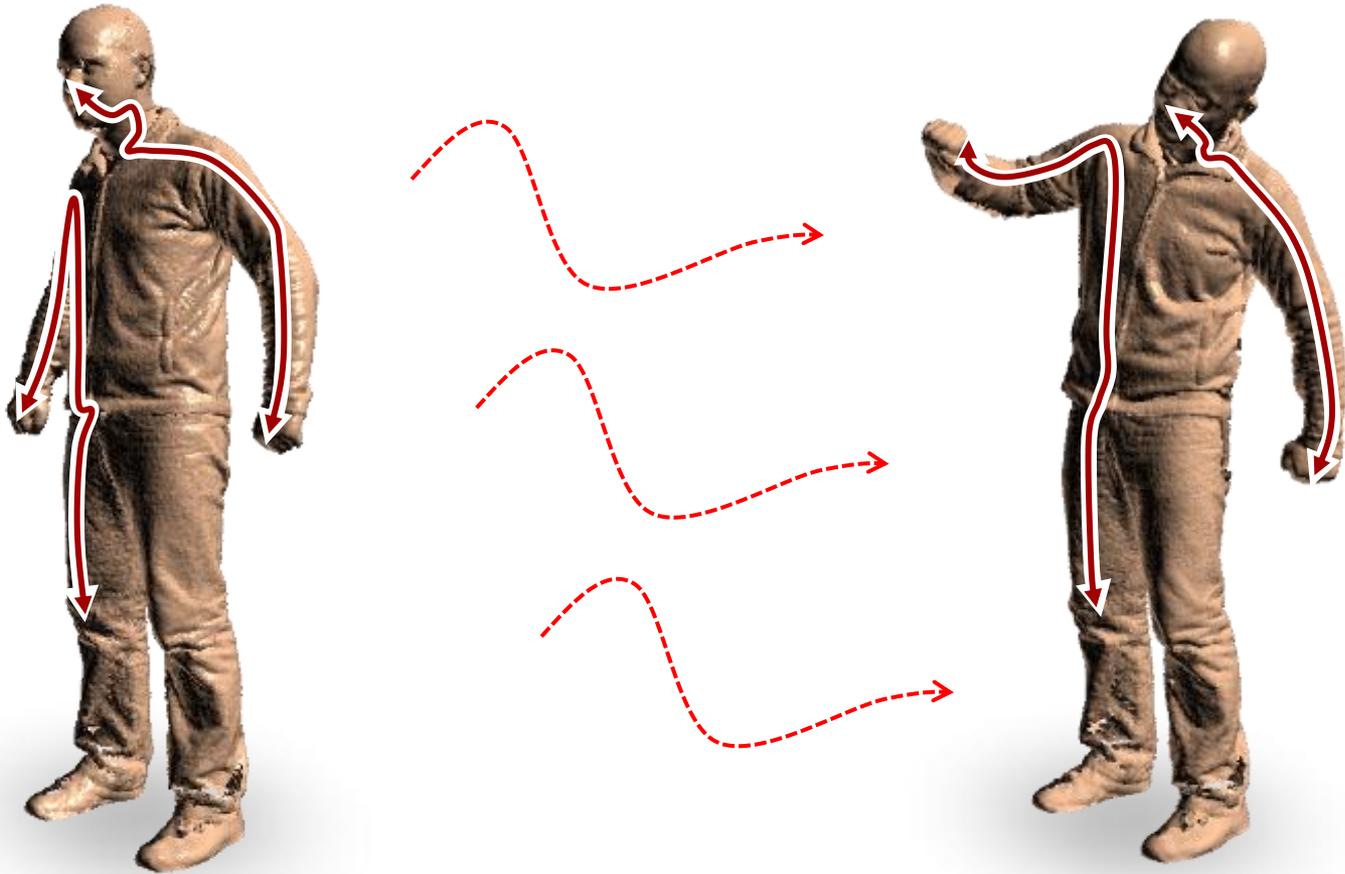
- Structure: Pairwise optimization problem

# Isometric Matching

# Invariants

## Intrinsic Matching

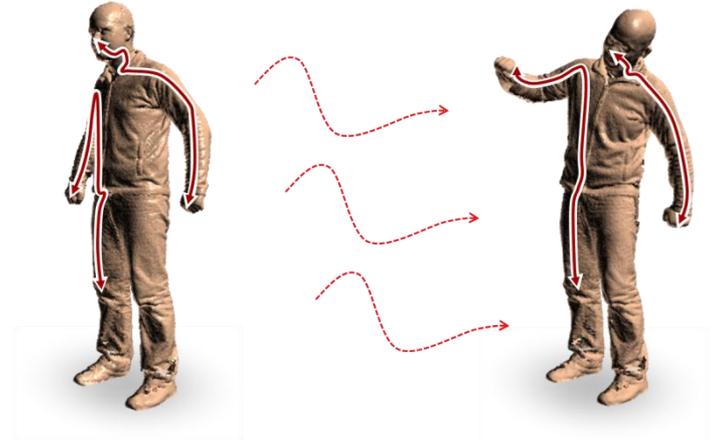
- Invariants: All geodesic distances are preserved



# Invariants

## Intrinsic Matching

- Preservation of geodesic distances („intrinsic distances“)
- Approximation
  - Cloth is almost unstretchable
  - Skin does not stretch a lot
  - Most live objects show approximately isometric surfaces
- Accepted model for deformable shape matching
  - In cases where one subject is presented in different poses
  - Across different subjects: Other assumptions necessary
  - Then: global matching is an open problem



# Feature Based Matching

Quadratic Assignment Model

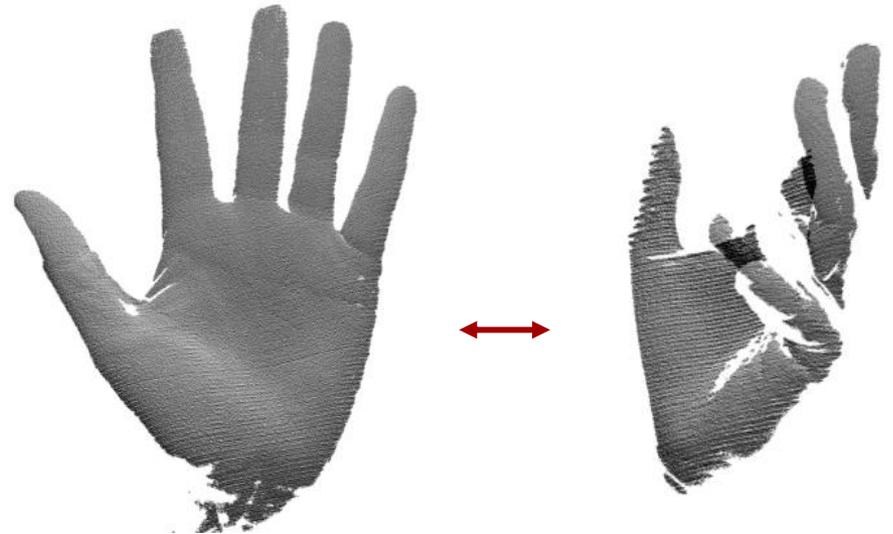
# Problem Statement

## Deformable Matching

- Two shapes: original, deformed
- How to establish correspondences?
- Looking for global optimum
  - Arbitrary pose

## Assumption

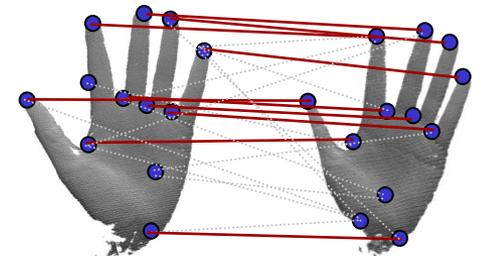
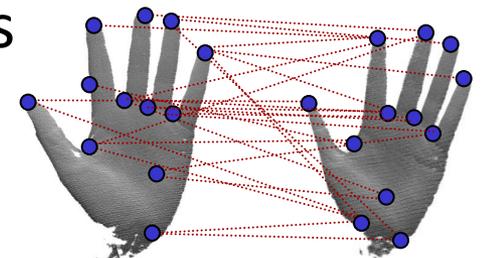
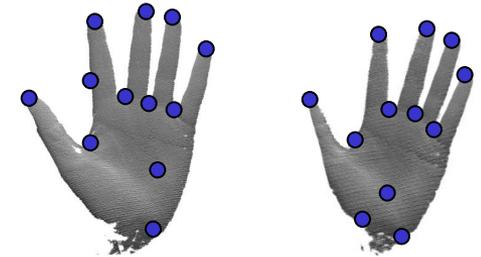
- Approximately isometric deformation



# Algorithm

## Feature-Matching

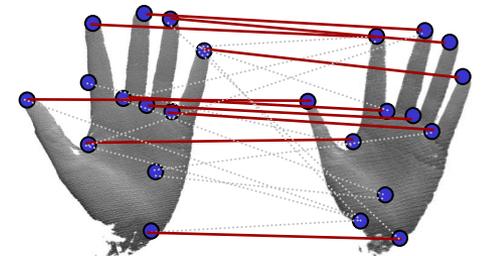
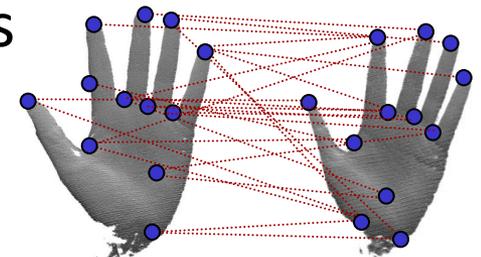
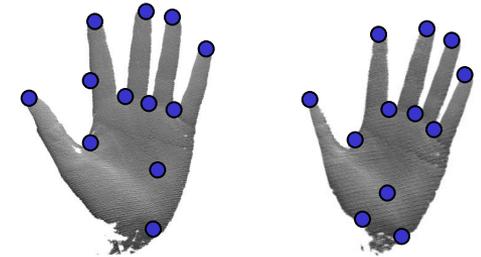
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- Global filtering: correct subset



# Algorithm

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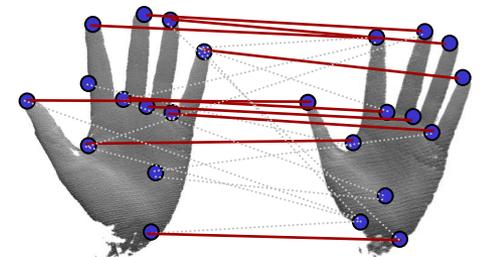
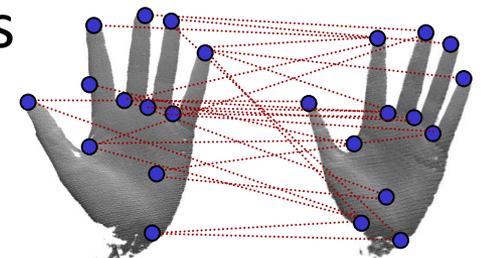
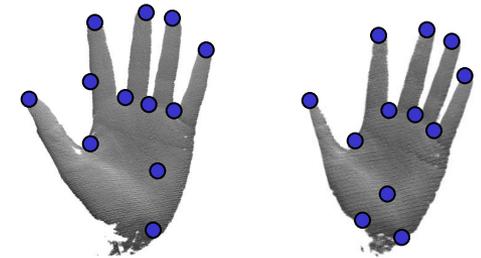
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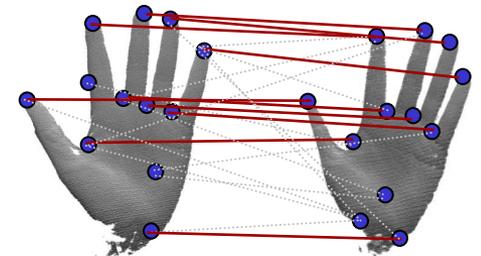
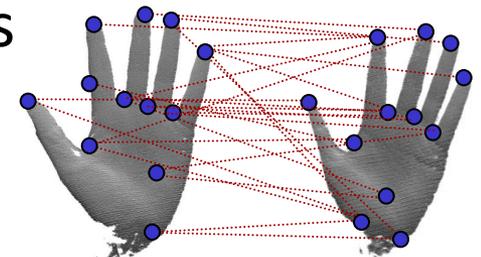
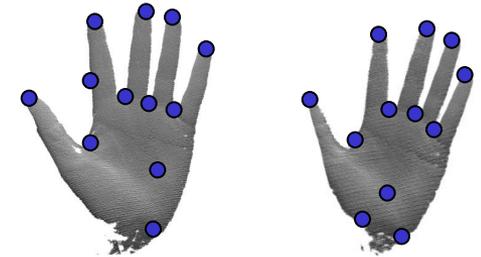
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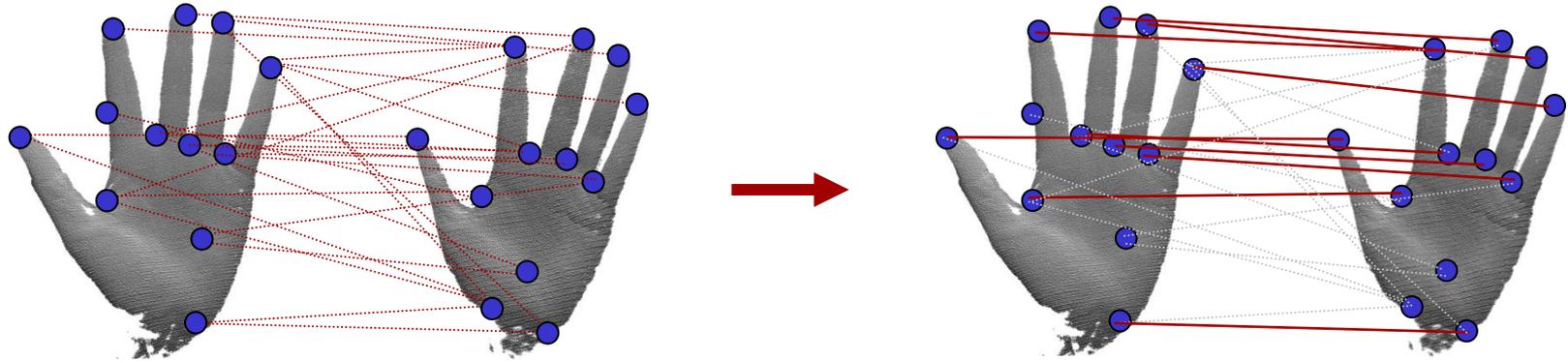
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- Global filtering: correct subset
  - Quadratic assignment
  - Spectral relaxation [Leordeanu et al. 05]
  - RANSAC



# Quadratic Assignment



## Most difficult part: Global filtering

- Find a consistent subset
- Pairwise consistency:
  - Correspondence pair must preserve intrinsic distance
- Maximize number of pairwise consistent pairs
  - Quadratic assignment (in general: NP-hard)

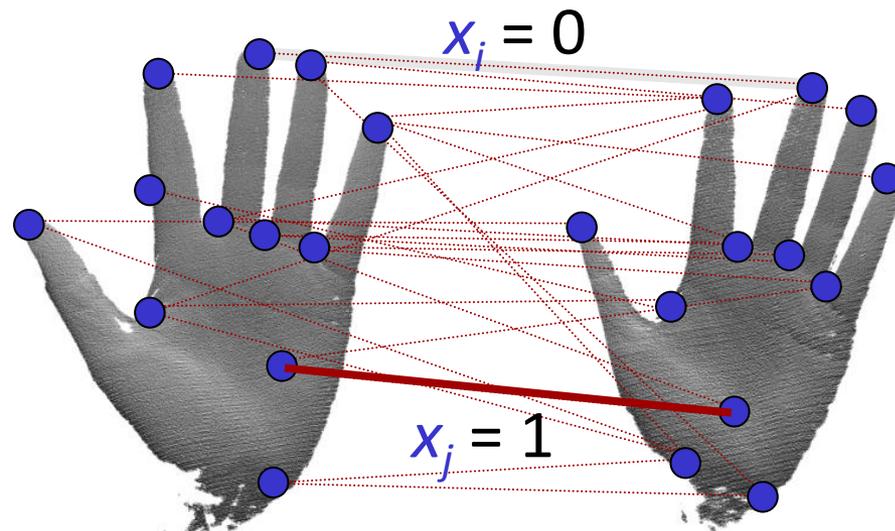
# Quadratic Assignment Model

## Quadratic Assignment

- $n$  potential correspondences
- Each one can be turned on or off
- Label with variables  $x_i$
- Compatibility score:

$$P^{(match)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P_i^{(single)} \prod_{i,j=1}^n P_{i,j}^{(compatible)}, x_i \in \{0,1\}$$

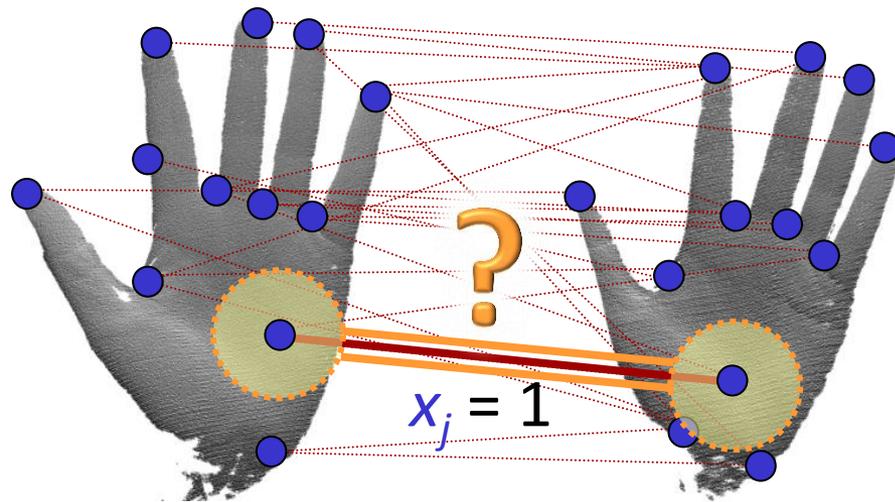
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# Quadratic Assignment Model

## Quadratic Assignment

- Compatibility score:
  - **Singeltons:**  
Descriptor match

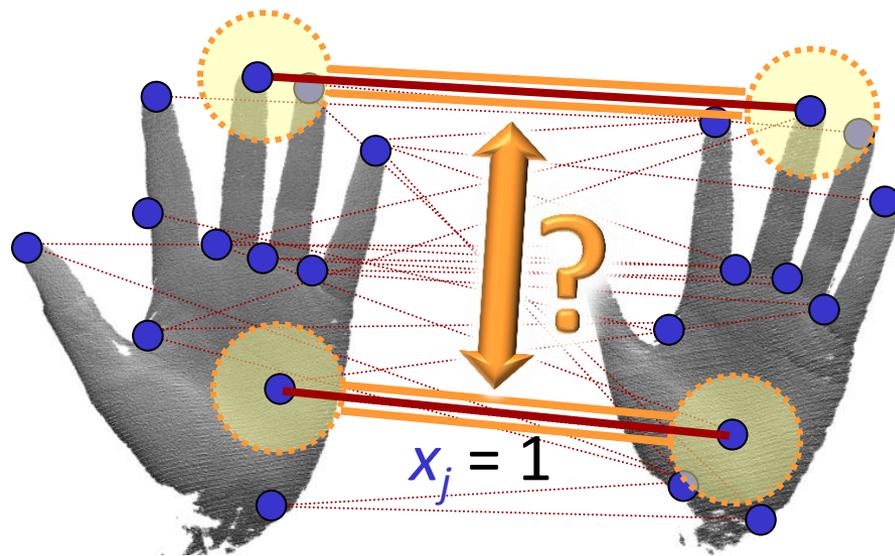


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# Quadratic Assignment Model

## Quadratic Assignment

- Compatibility score:
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Descriptor match
  - **Doubles:**  
Compatibility



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# Quadratic Assignment Model

## Quadratic Assignment

- Matrix notation:

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$$\begin{aligned} \log P^{(match)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_i^{(single)} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n \log P_{i,j}^{(compatible)} \\ &= \mathbf{x}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

- Quadratic scores are encoded in Matrix **D**
- Linear scores are encoded in Vector **s**

# Quadratic Assignment Model

## Quadratic Assignment

- Task: find optimal binary vector  $\mathbf{x}$

## Regularization:

- No trivial solution  $\mathbf{x} = 0$

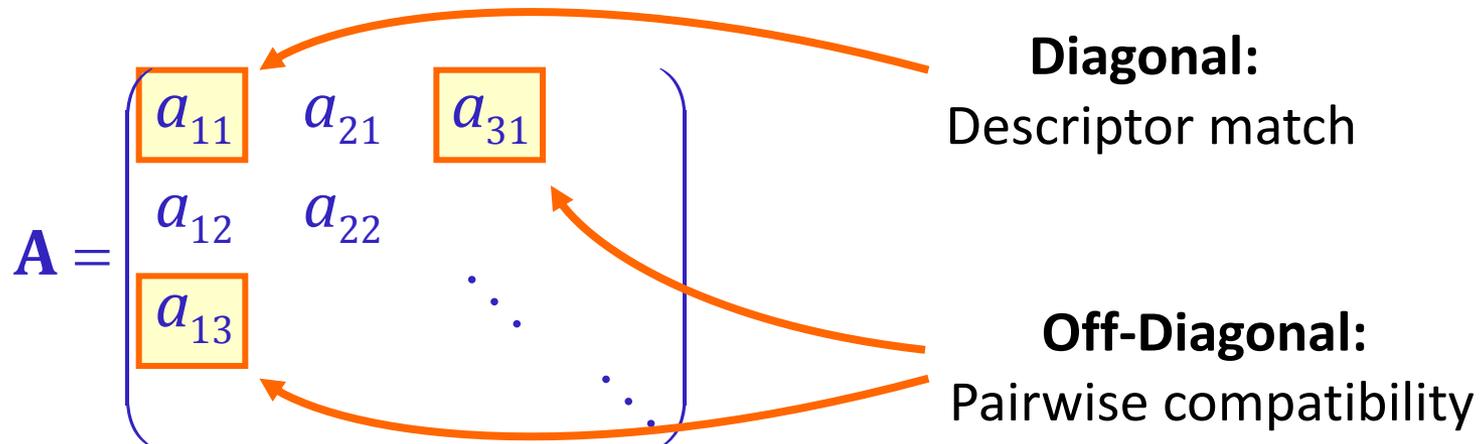
## Examples

- As many „1“s as possible without exceeding error threshold
- Fixed norm of  $\mathbf{x}$ -vector

# Spectral Matching

## Simple & Effective Approximation:

- Spectral matching [Leordeanu & Hebert 05]
- Form compatibility matrix:



All entries within [0..1]  
= [no match...perfect match]

# Spectral Matching

## Approximate largest clique:

- Compute eigenvector with largest eigenvalue
- Maximizes Rayleigh quotient:

$$\operatorname{arg\,max} \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}$$

- “Best yield” for bounded norm
  - The more consistent pairs (rows of 1s), the better
  - Approximates largest clique
- Implementation
  - For example: power iteration

# Spectral Matching

## Post-processing

- Greedy quantization
  - Select largest remaining entry, set it to 1
  - Set all entries to 0 that are not pairwise consistent with current set
  - Iterate until all entries are quantized

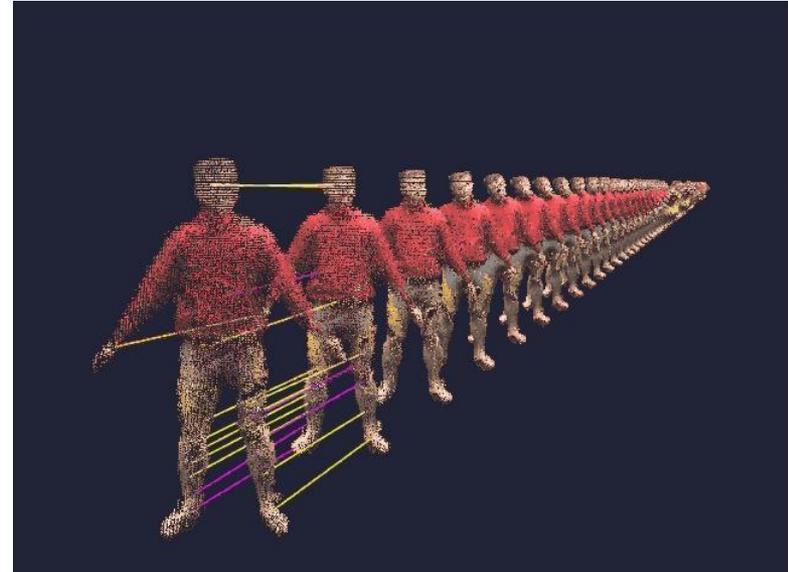
## In practice...

- This algorithm turns out to work quite well.
- Very easy to implement
- Limited to (approx.) quadratic assignment model

# Spectral Matching Example

## Application to Animations

- **Feature points:**  
Geometric MLS-SIFT features [Li et al. 2005]
- **Descriptors:**  
Curvature & color ring histograms
- **Global Filtering:**  
Spectral matching
- **Pairwise animation matching:**  
Low precision passive stereo data



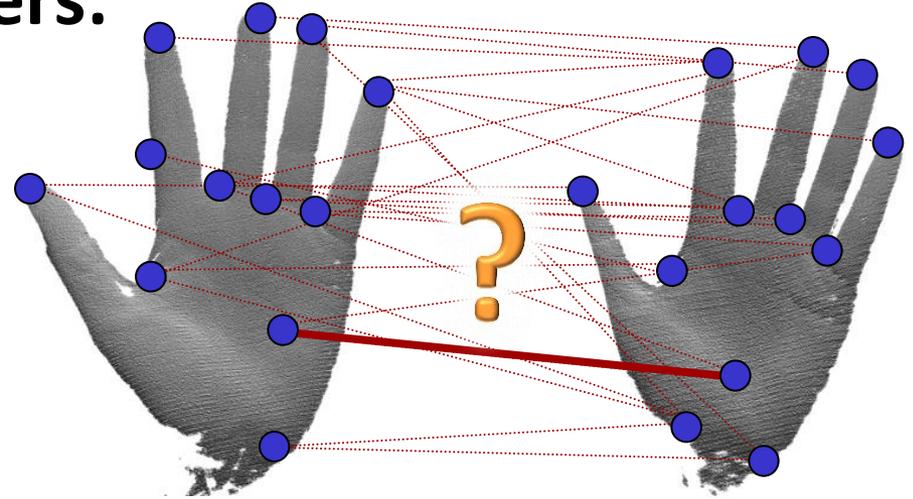
[Data set: Christian Theobald,  
Implementation: Martin Bokeloh]

# **Ransac and Forward Search**

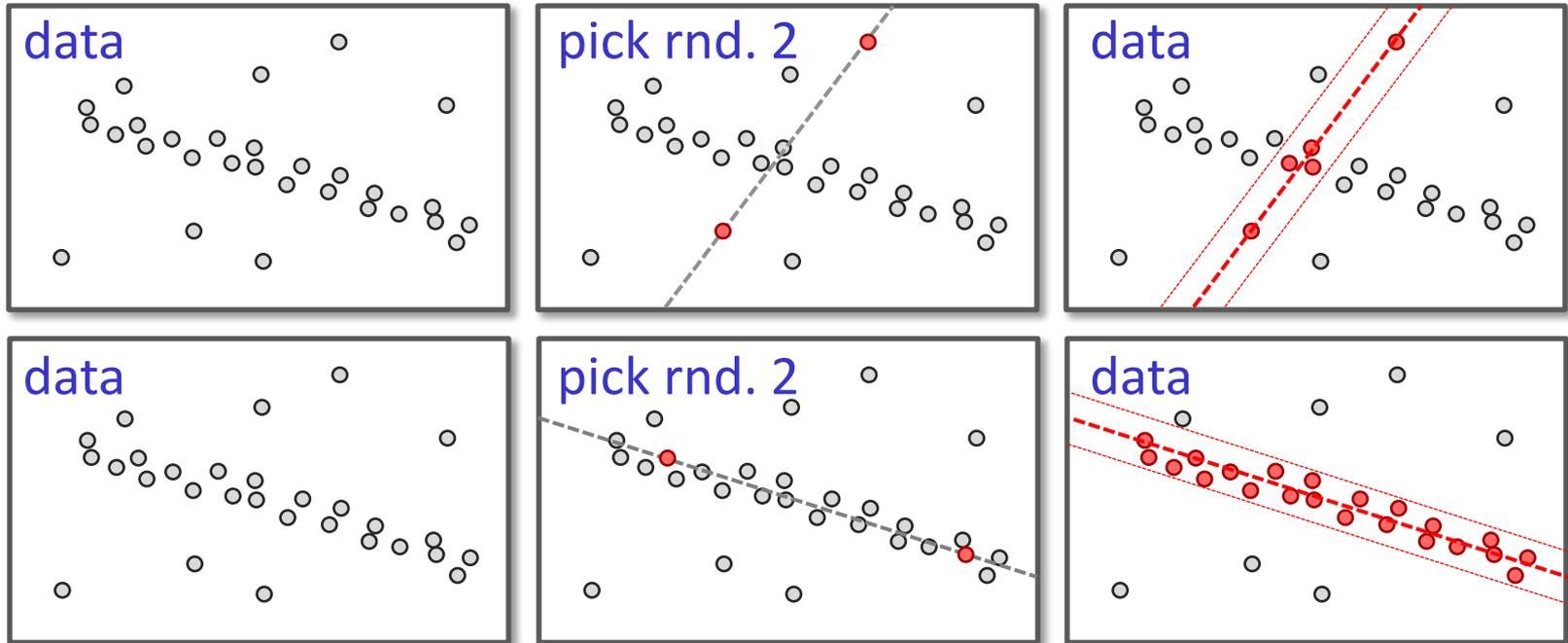
# Random Sampling Algorithms

## Estimation subject to outliers:

- We have candidate correspondences
- But most of them are bad
- Standard vision problem
- Standard tools:  
Ransac & forward search



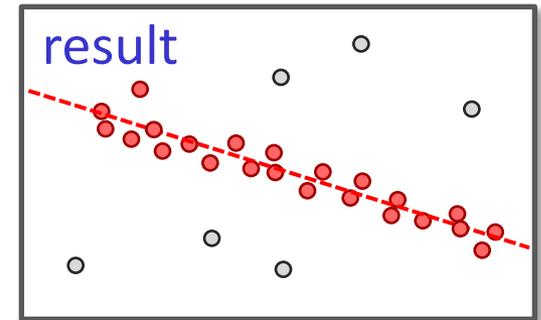
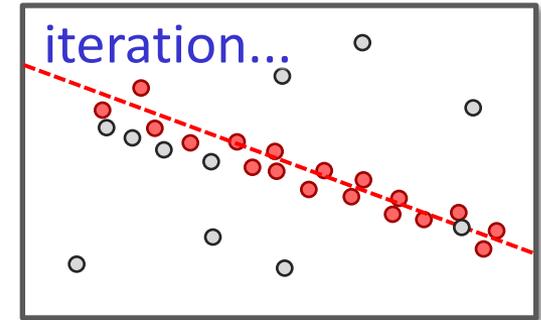
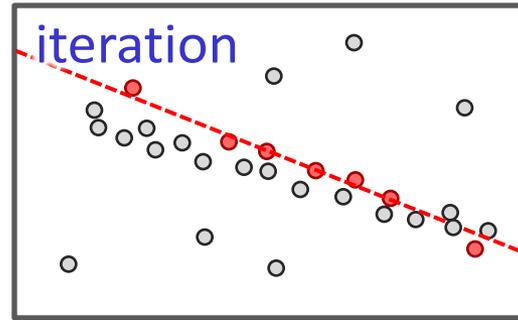
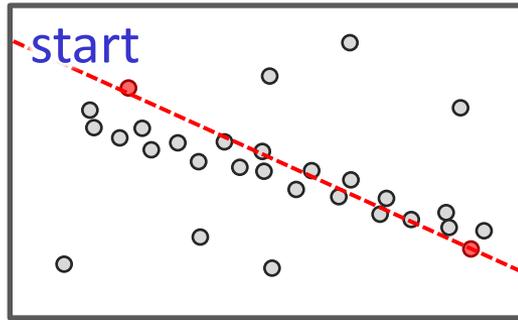
# RANSAC



## „Standard“ RANSAC line fitting example:

- Randomly pick two points
- Verify how many others fit
- Repeat many times and pick the best one (most matches)

# Forward Search



## Forward Search:

- Ransac variant
- Like ransac, but refine model by „growing“
- Pick best match, then recalculate
- Repeat until threshold is reached

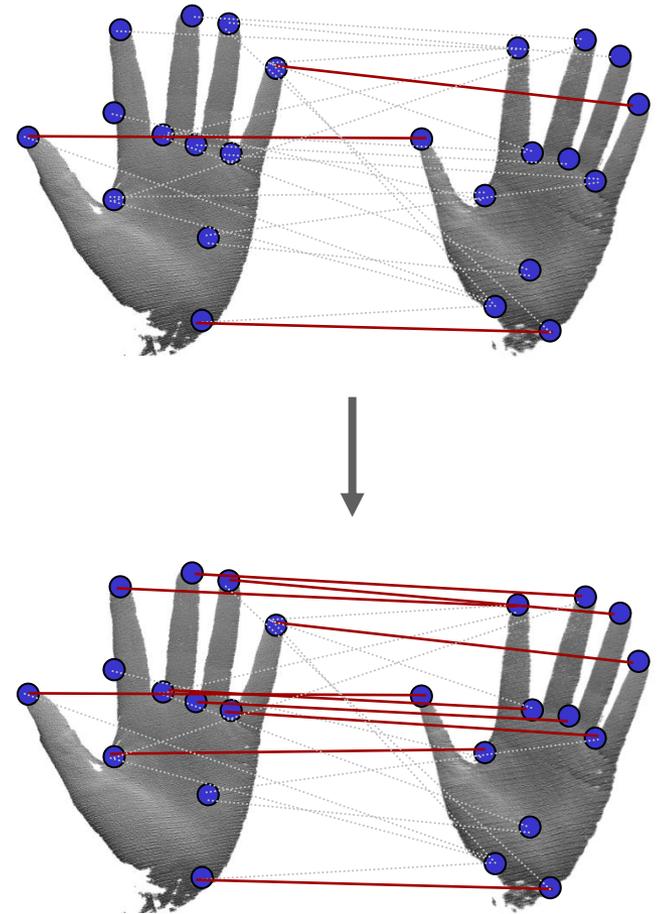
# RANSAC/FWS Algorithm

## Idea

- Starting correspondence
- Add more that are consistent
  - Preserve intrinsic distances
- Importance sampling algorithm

## Advantages

- Efficient (small initial set)
- General (arbitrary criteria)



# Ransac/FWS Details

## Algorithm: Simple Idea

- Select correspondences with probability proportional to their plausibility
- First correspondence: Descriptors
- Second: Preserve distance (distribution peaks)
- Third: Preserve distance (even fewer choices)
- ...
- Rapidly becomes deterministic
- Repeat multiple times (typ.: 100x)
  - Choose the largest solution (largest #correspondences)

# Ransac/FWS Details

## Provably Efficient:

- Theoretically efficient (details later)
- Faster in practice (using descriptors)

## Flexible:

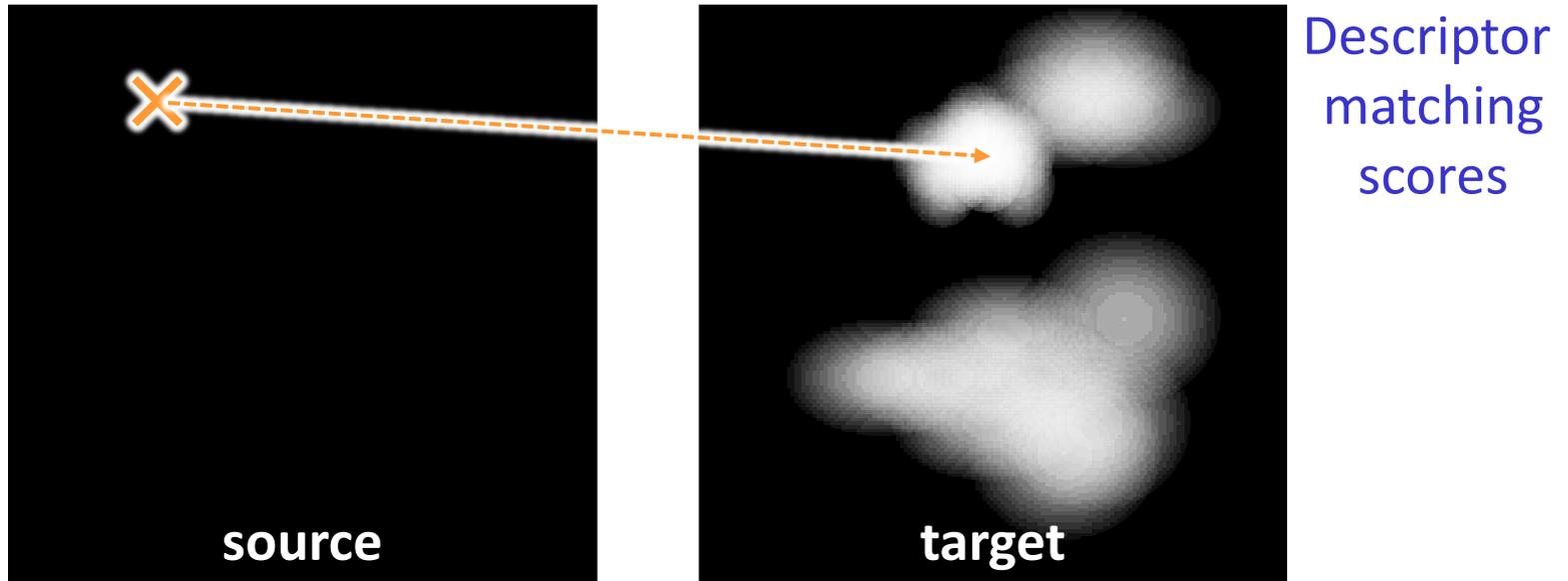
- In later iterations ( $> 3$  correspondences), allow for outlier geodesics
- Can handle topological noise

# Forward Search Algorithm

## Forward Search

- Add correspondences incrementally
- Compute match probabilities given the information already decided on
- Iterate until no more matches can be found that meet a certain error threshold
- Outer Loop:
  - Iterate the algorithm with random choices
  - Pick the best (i.e., largest) solution

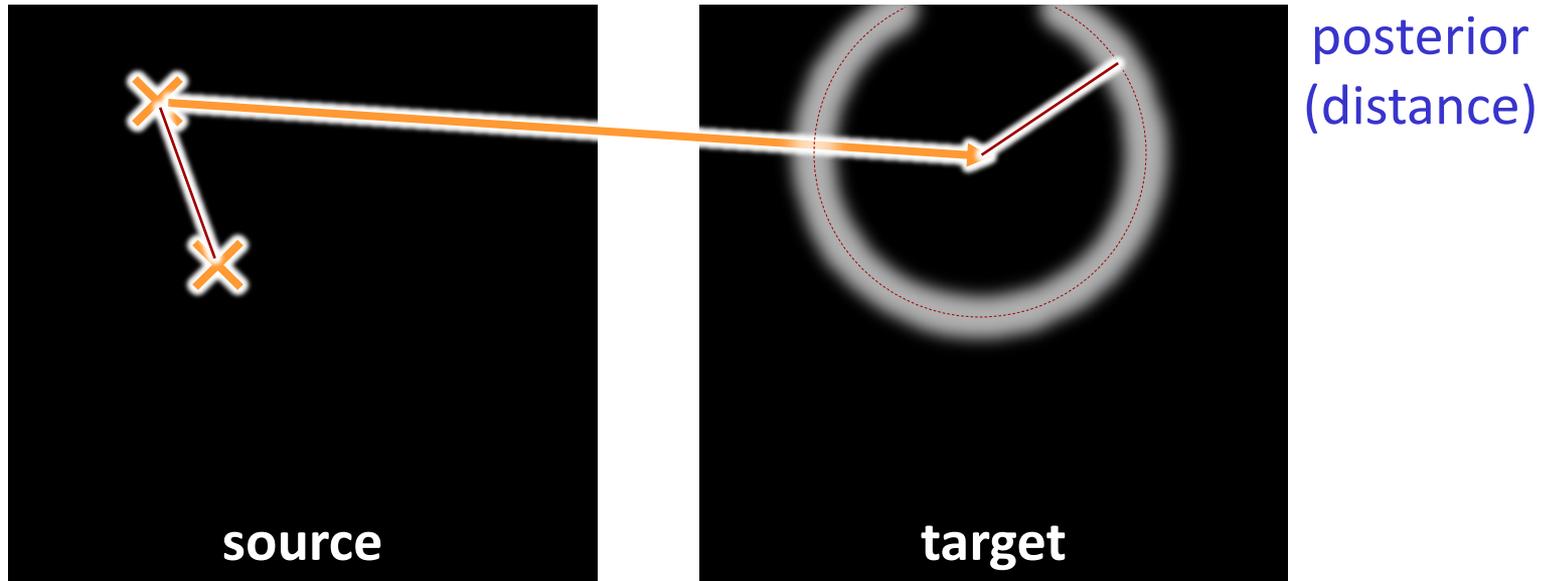
# Forward Search Algorithm



## Step 1:

- Start with one correspondence
  - Target side importance sampling: prefer good descriptor matches
  - Optional source side imp. sampl: prefer unique descriptors

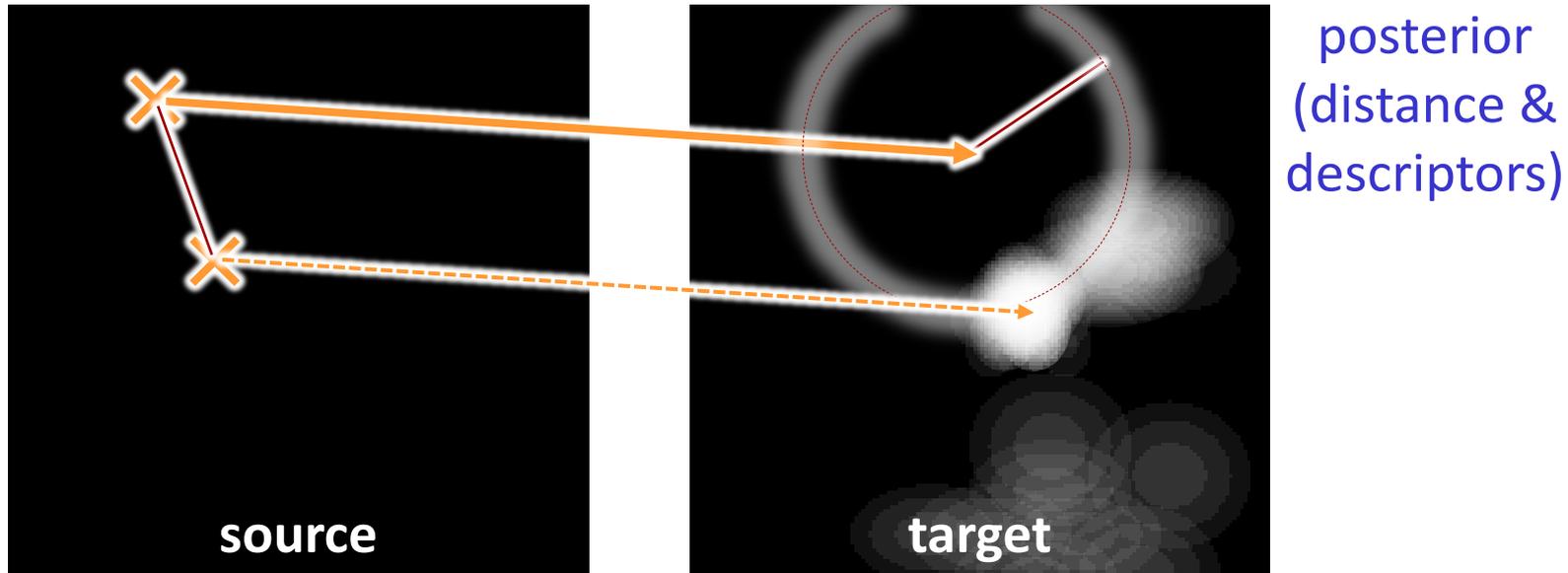
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## Step 2:

- Compute „posterior“ incorporating geodesic distance
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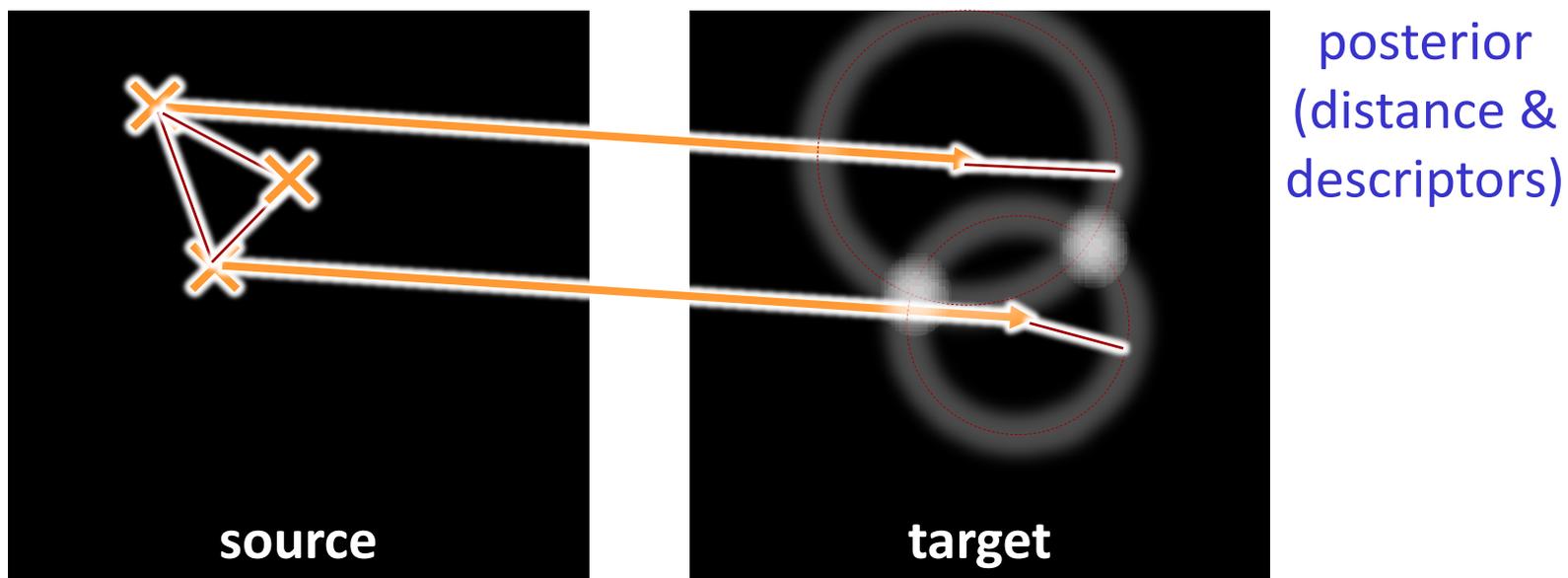
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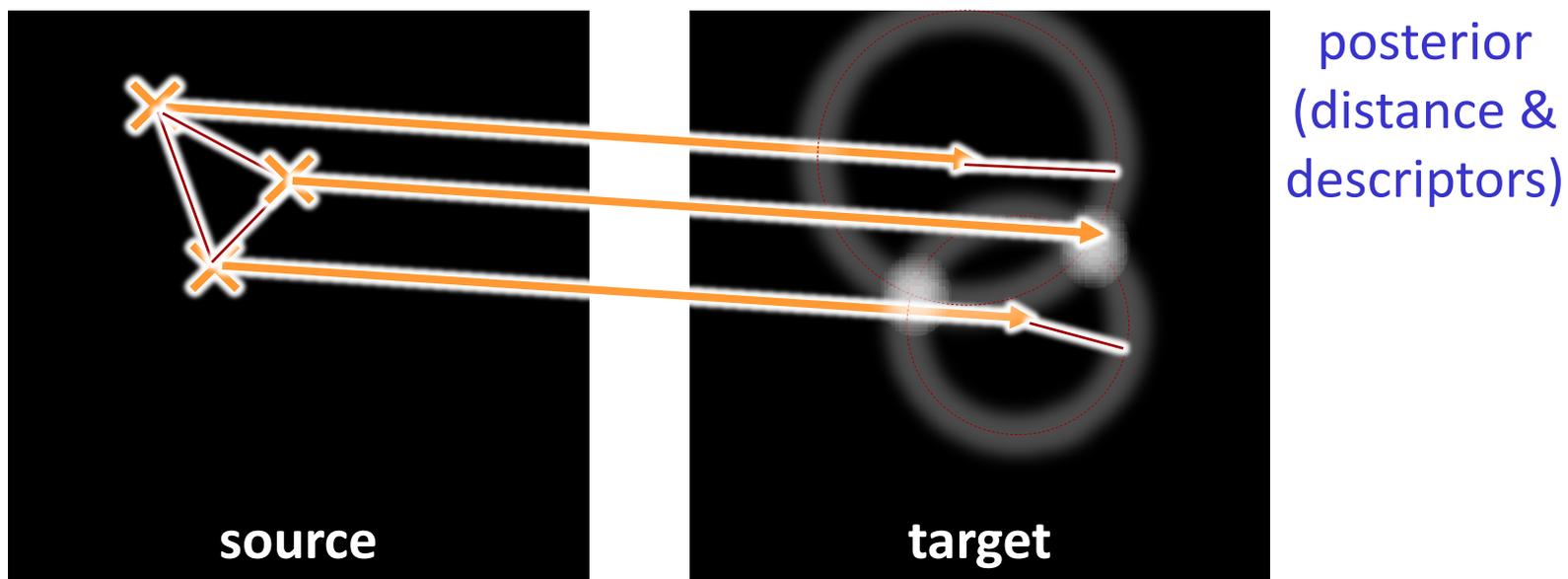
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## Step 3:

- Same as step 2, continue sampling...

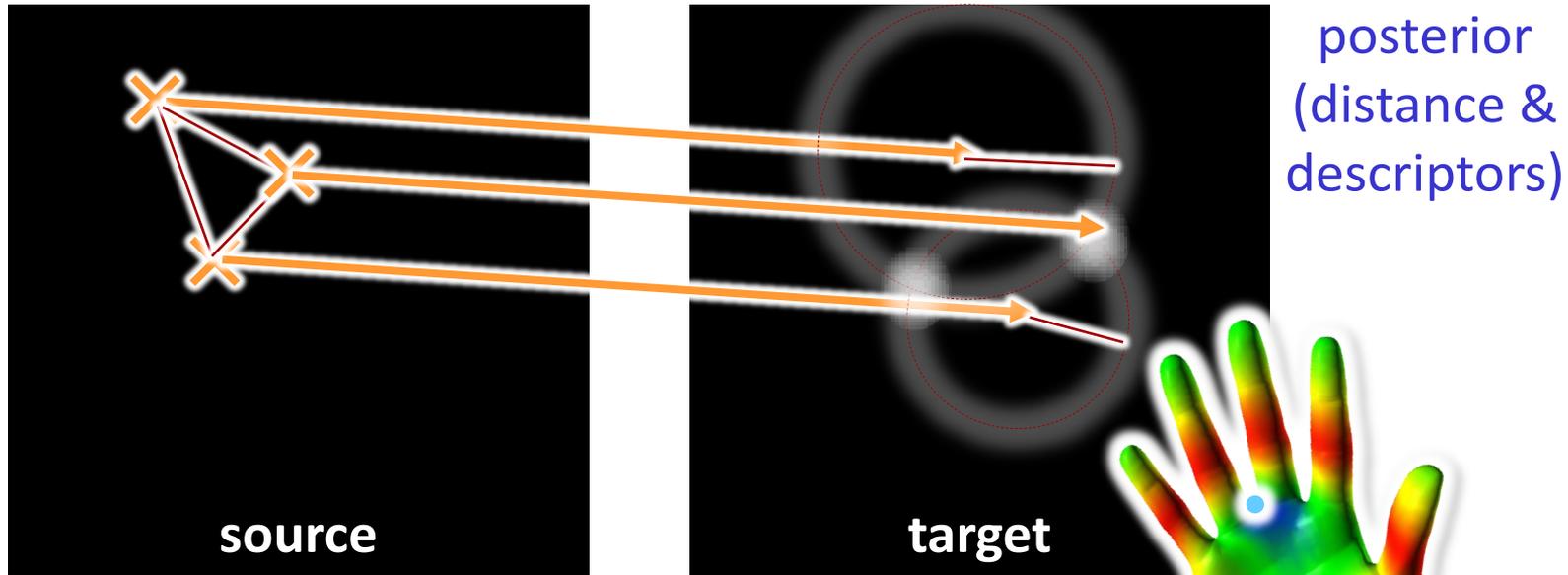
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# Forward Search Algorithm



## Source side:

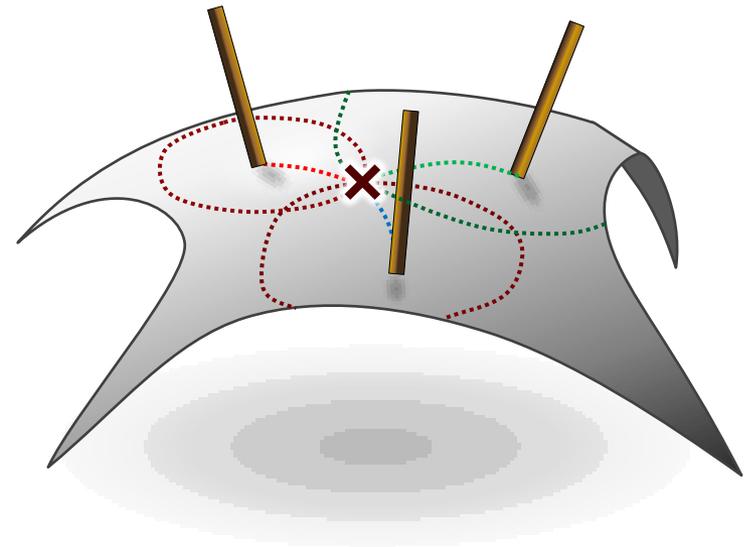
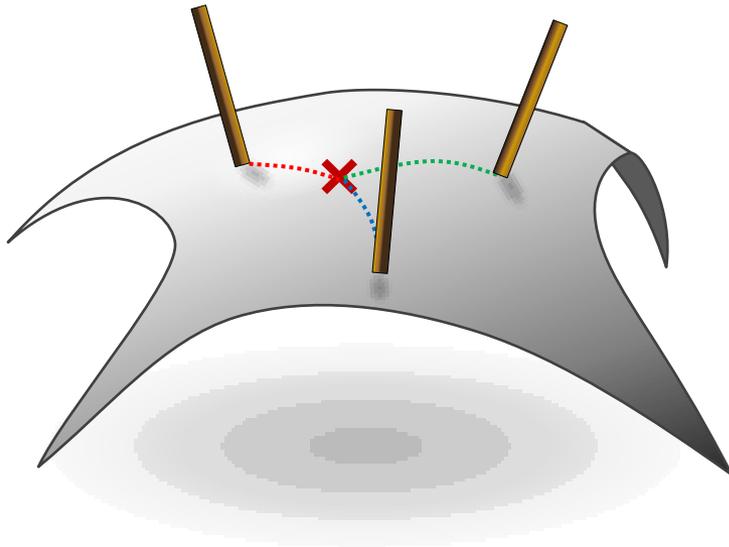
- Match all descriptors, compute entropy
- Choose minimum entropy features for start
- Subsequent features: consider entropy of all matches in addition



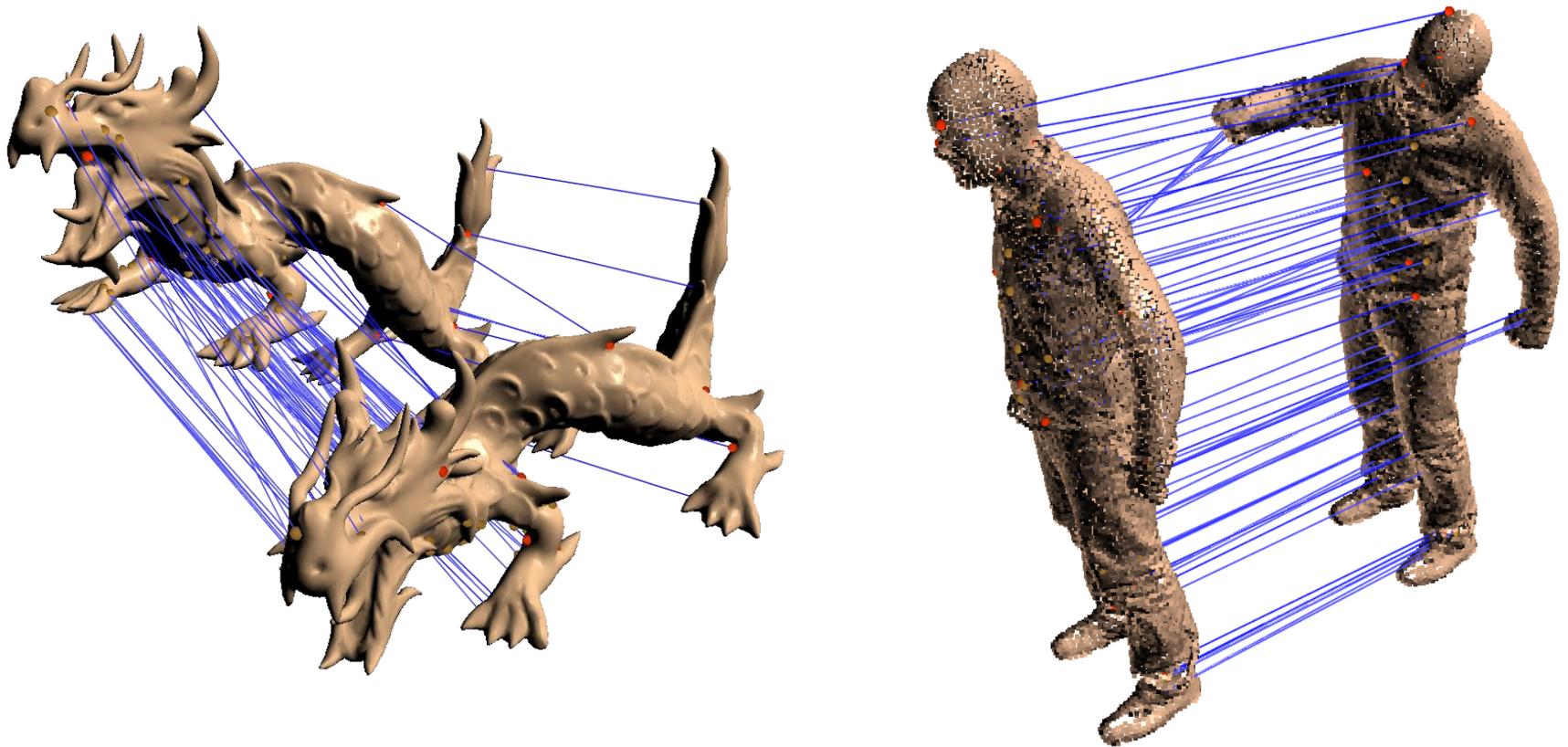
# Another View

## Landmark Coordinates

- Distance to already established points give a charting of the manifold

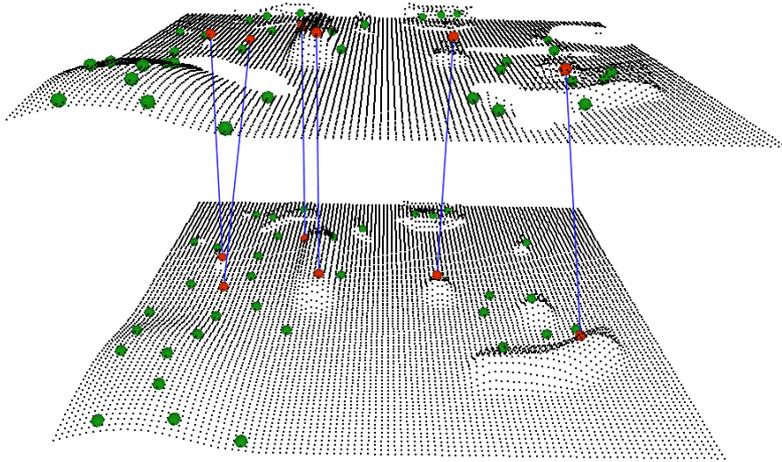


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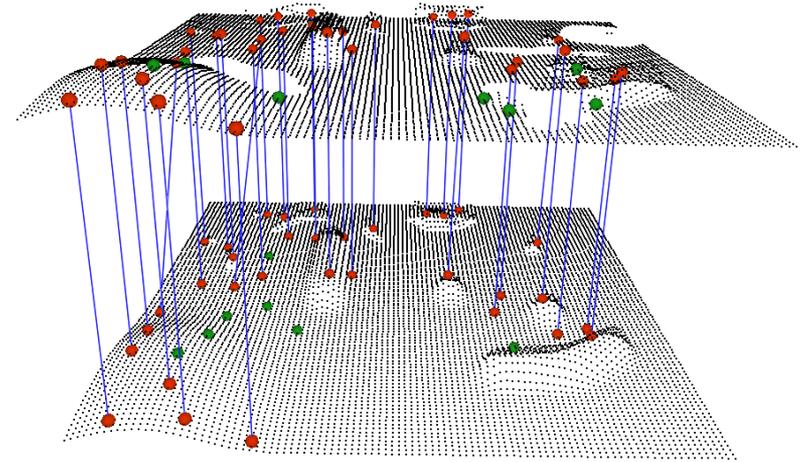


[data sets: Stanford 3D Scanning Repository / Carsten Stoll]

# Results: Topological Noise



**Spectral Quadratic Assignment**  
[Leordeanu et al. 05]



**Ransac Algorithm**  
[Tevs et al. 09]

# Complexity

# How expensive is all of this?

## Cost analysis:

- How many rounds of sampling are necessary?

## Constraints [Lipman et al. 2009]:

- Assume disc or sphere topology
- An isometric mapping is in particular a conformal mapping
- A conformal mapping is determined by 3 point-to-point correspondences

# How expensive is it..?

## First correspondence:

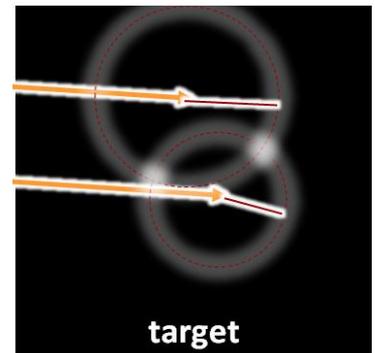
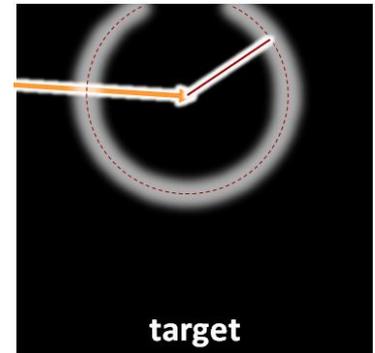
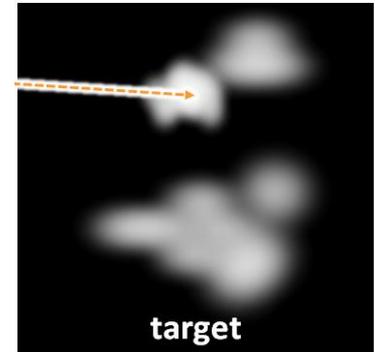
- Worst case:  $n$  trials ( $n$  feature points)
- In practice:  $k \ll n$  good descriptor matches (typically  $k \approx 5-20$ )

## Second correspondence:

- Worst case:  $n$  trials, expected:  $\sqrt{n}$  trials
- In practice: very few (due to descriptor matching, maybe 1-3)

## Last match:

- At most two matches



# Costs...

## Overall costs:

- Worst case:  $O(n^2)$  matches to explore
- Typical:  $O(n^{1.5})$  matches to explore

## Randomization:

- Exploring  $m$  items costs expected  $O(m \log m)$  trials
- Worst case bound of  $O(n^2 \log n)$  trials
- Asymptotically sharp:  $O(c)$ -times more trials for shrinking failure probability to  $O(\exp(-c^2))$

# Costs...

## Surface discretization:

- Assume  $\varepsilon$ -sampling of the manifold (no features):  $O(\varepsilon^{-2})$  sample points
- Worst case  $O(\varepsilon^{-4} \log \varepsilon^{-1})$  sample correspondences for finding a match with accuracy  $\varepsilon$ .
- Expected:  $O(\varepsilon^{-3} \log \varepsilon^{-1})$ .

## In practice:

- Importance sampling by descriptors is very effective
- Typically: Good results after 100 iterations
- Entropy-based planning: 1-10 iterations

# General Case

## **Numerical errors:**

- Noisy surfaces, imprecise features: reflected in probability maps (we know how little we might know)

## **Topological noise:**

- Use robust constraint potentials
- For example: account for 5 best matches only

## **Topologically complex cases:**

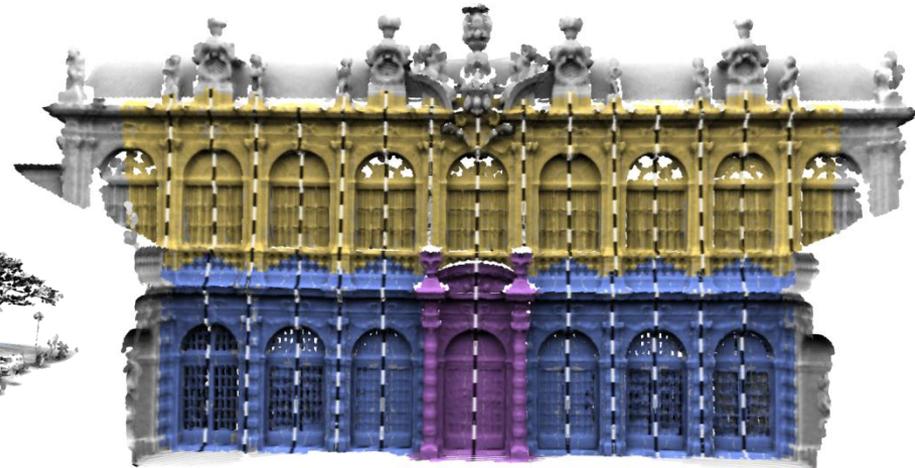
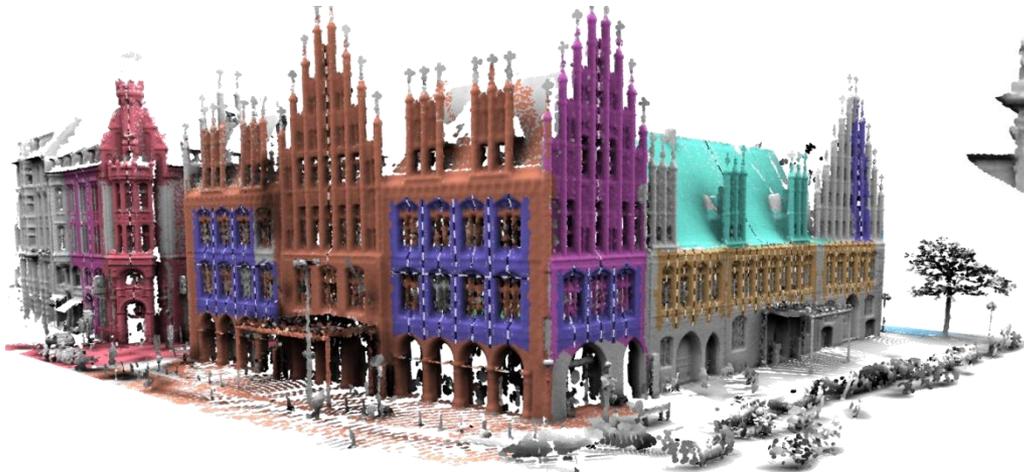
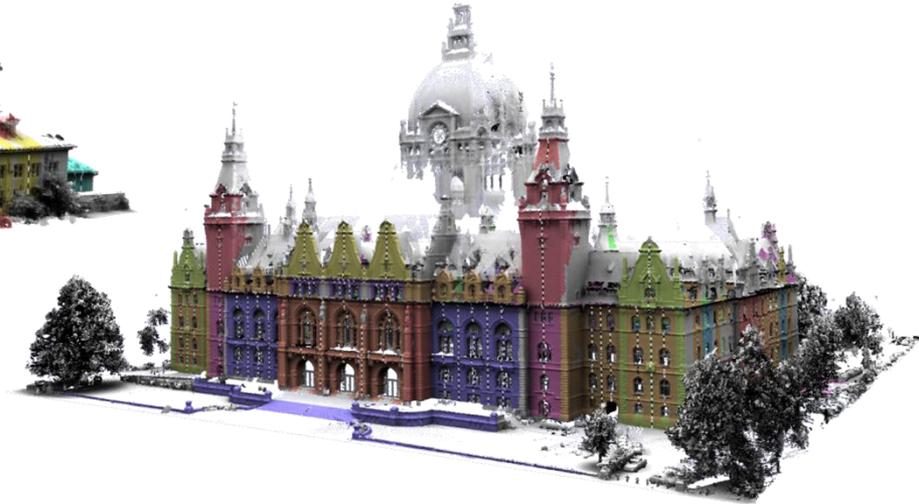
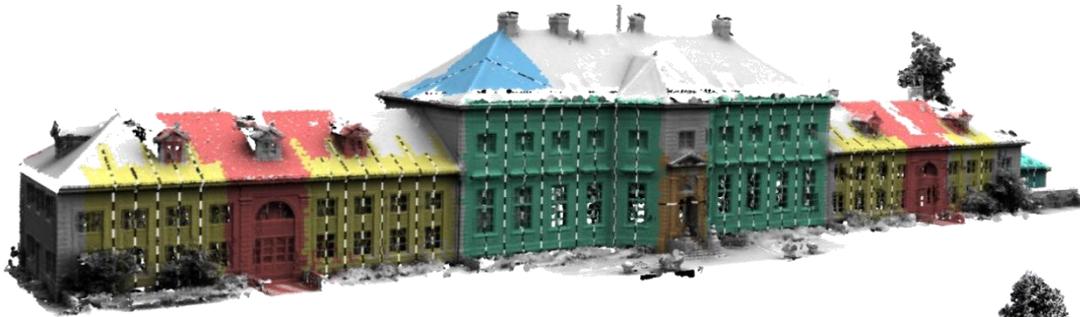
- No analysis beyond disc/spherical topology
- However: the algorithm will work in the general case (potentially, at additional costs)

# **Other Application: Symmetry Detection**



# Symmetry Detection

# Symmetry Detection



[data sets: IKG, Leibnitz University Hannover / M. Wacker, HTW Dresden]

# Rigid, Isometric, Relaxed Isometric



rigid



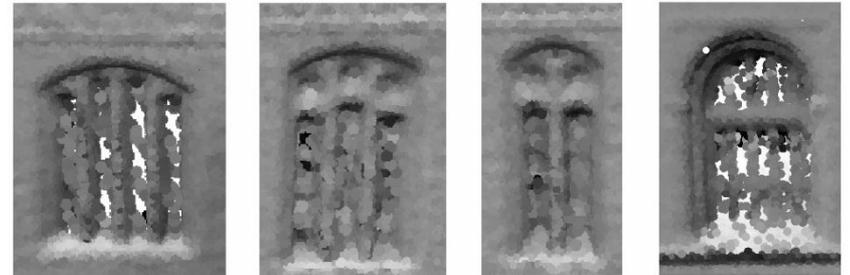
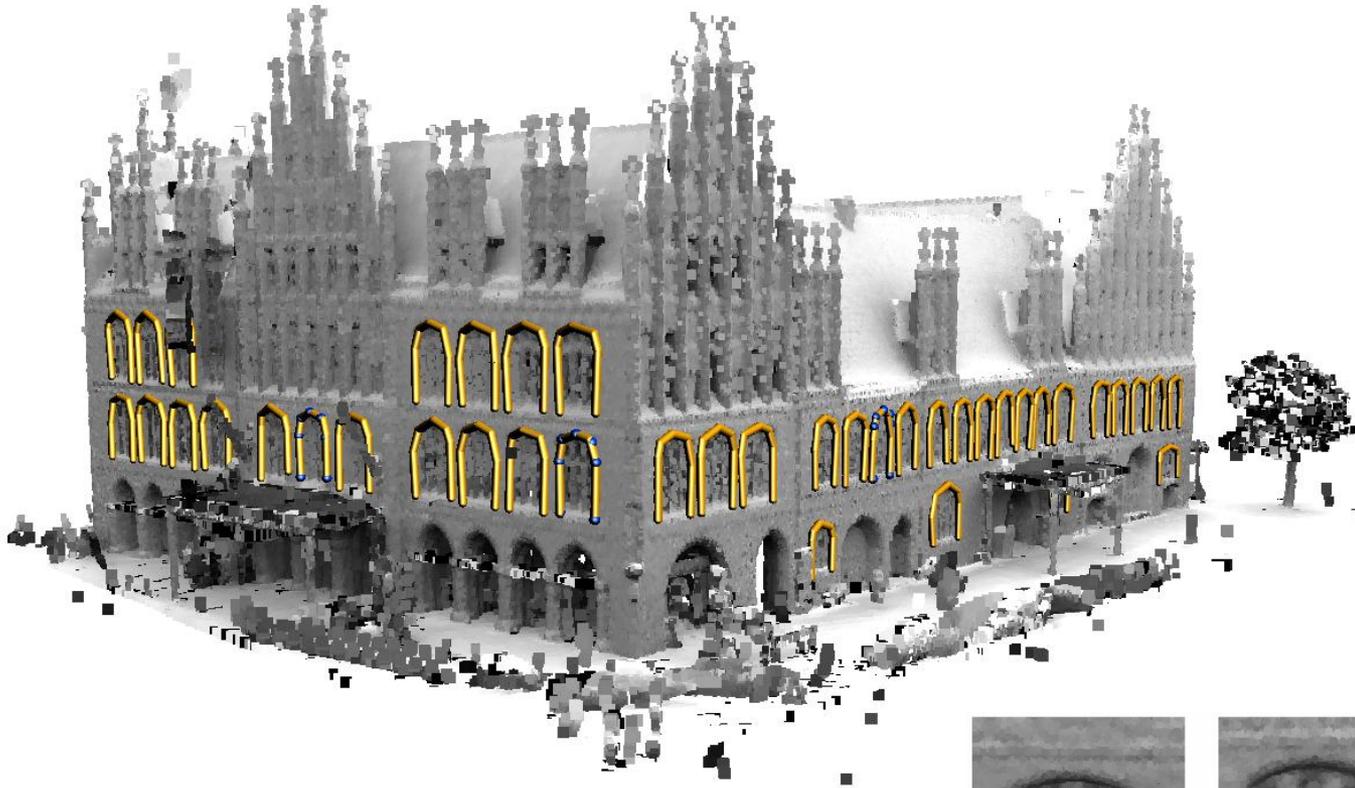
isometric



relaxed isometric

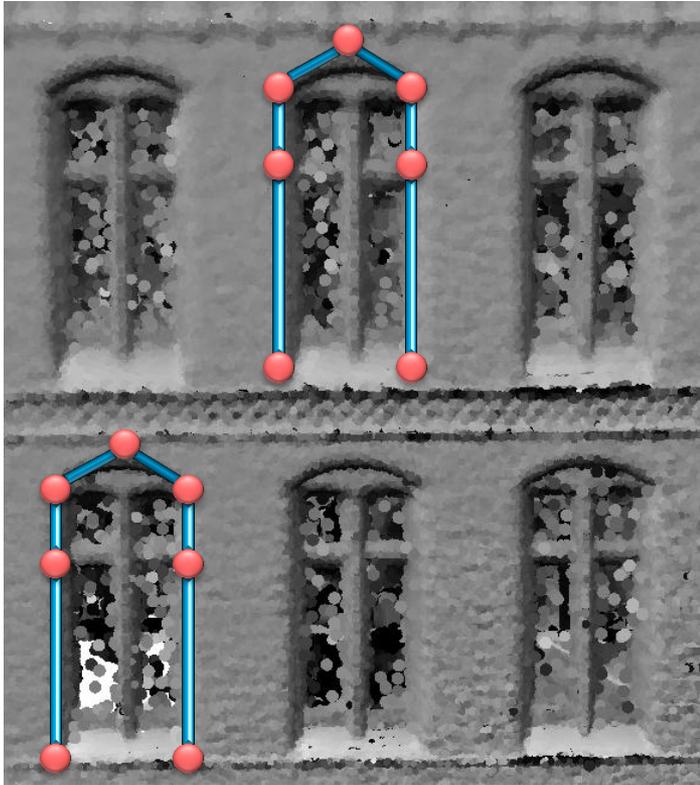
# Learning Correspondences

# Objective



Window Variants

# Objective



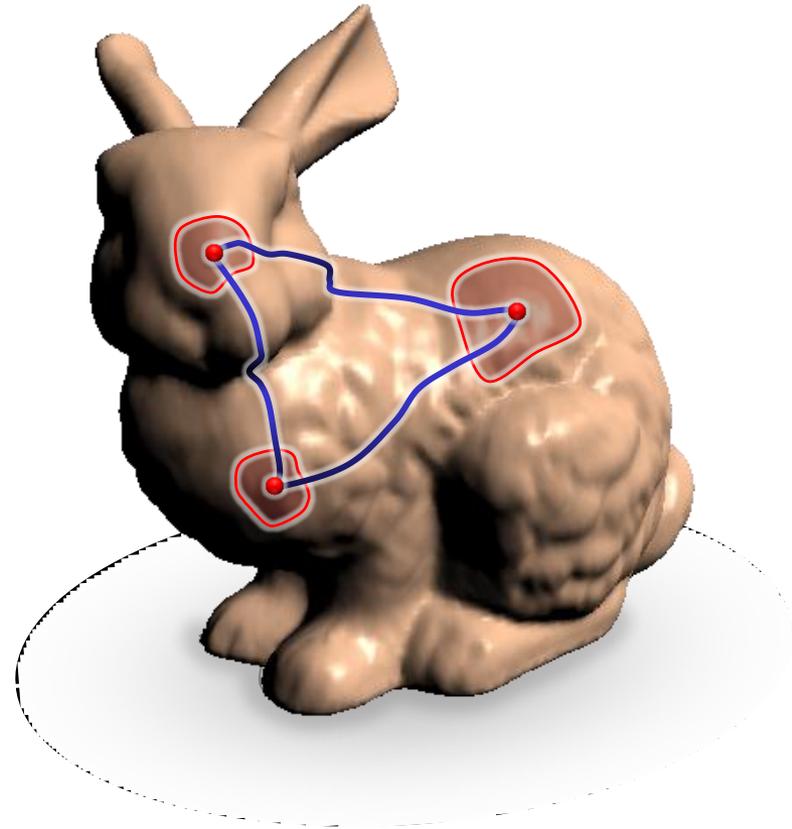
User: a few sparse sketches

Find similar elements

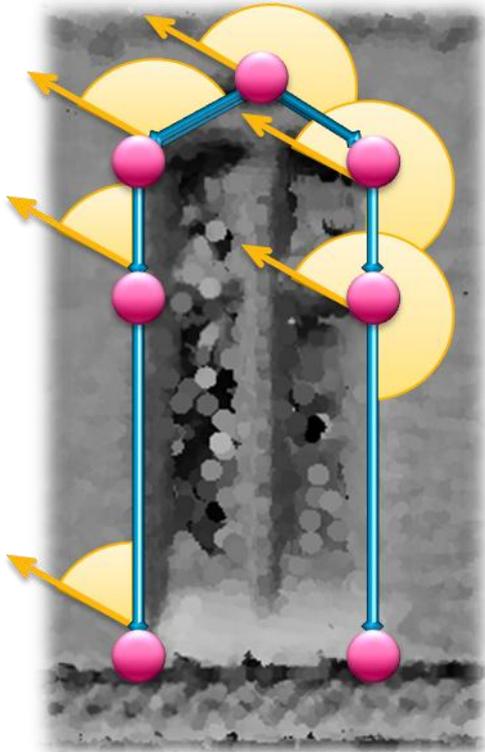
# Learning a Matching Model

## Learning a matching model

- Learn *descriptors*
- Learn *geometric relations*



# Energy Function

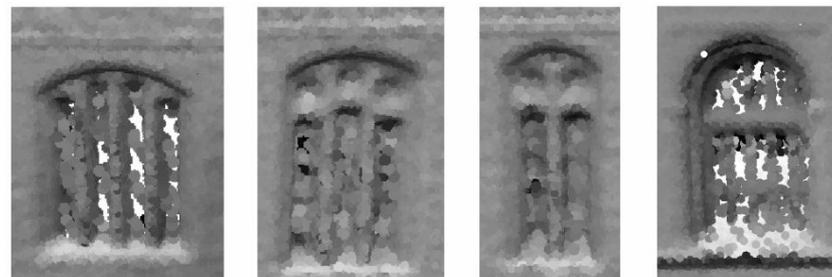
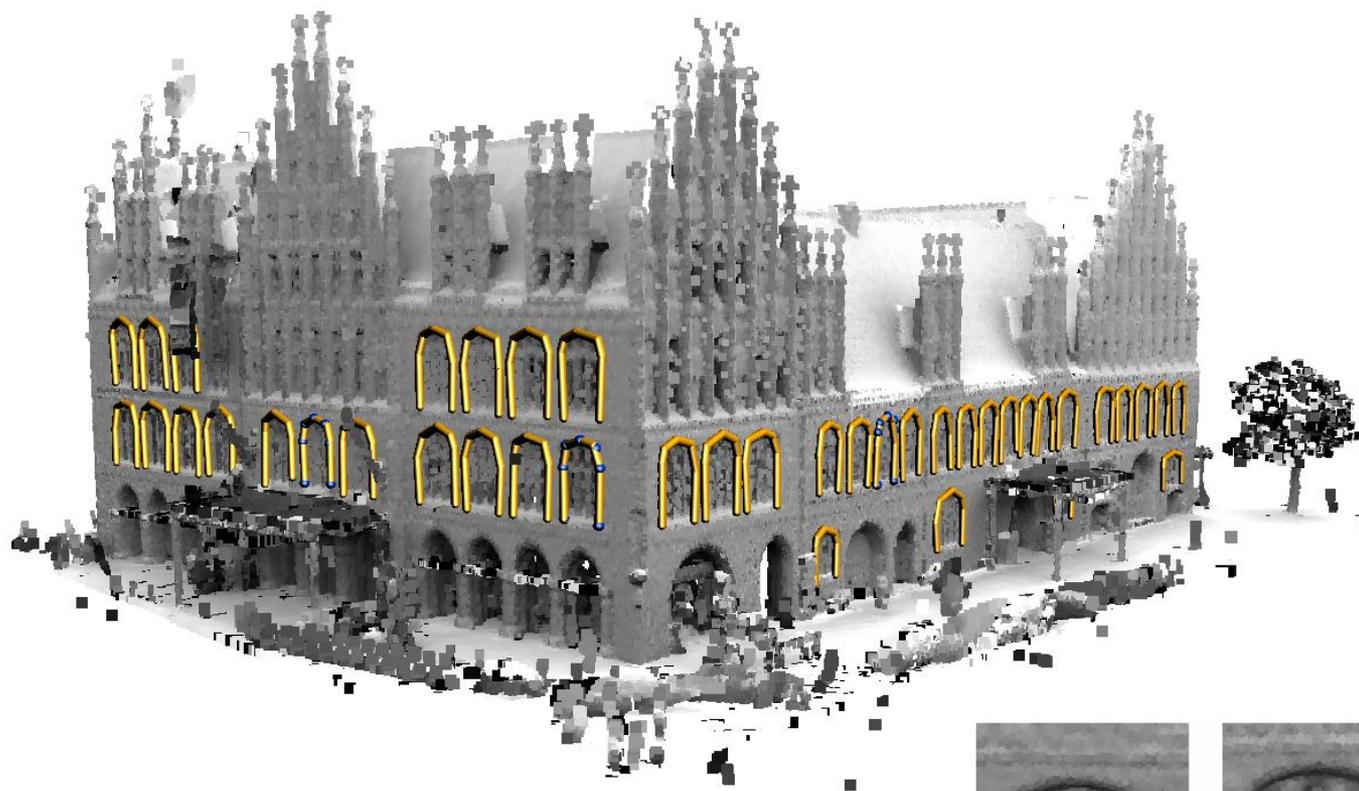


$$\frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i=1}^k \Phi_i(\mathbf{x}_i) \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \Psi_i(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{i+1})$$

## Markov Chain Model

- Global optimum: Belief propagation
- Symmetry: Enumerate local optima

# Result: Single-Class Learning



Window Variants

# Result: Multi-Class Learning



# Results: Ludwigskirche

