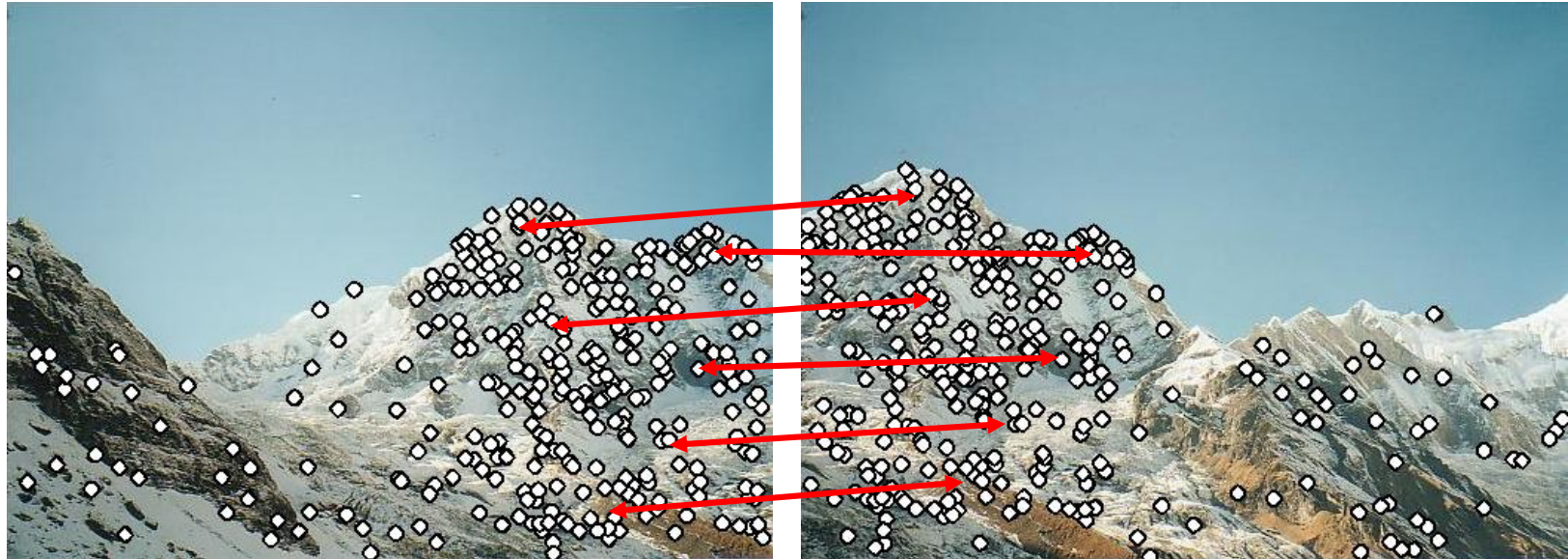


# CSCI 497P/597P: Computer Vision



## Lecture 11: Image Features

Feature Matching

Forward and Inverse Warping

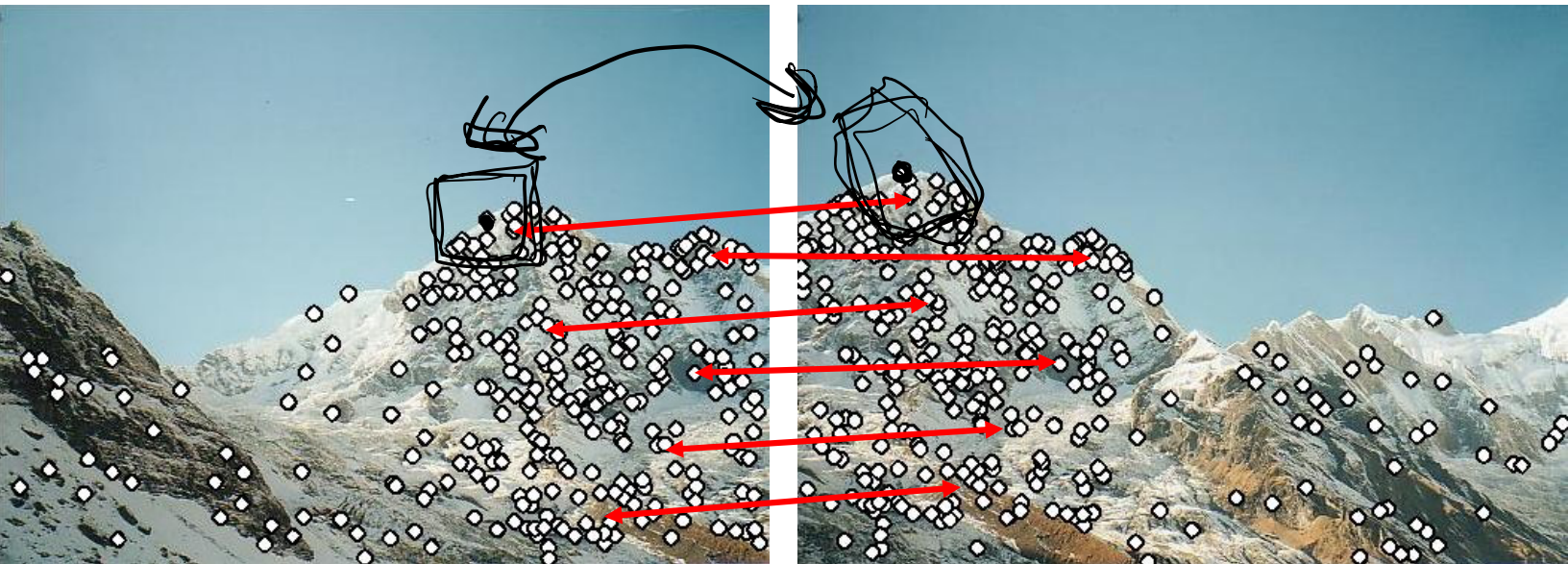
# Announcements

- Feedback survey
- HW 1 is due Wednesday

# Goals

- Know how and why to **match** features using:
  - The simple **SSD metric**
  - The **ratio test**
- Understand the mathematical framework for (lineare) geometric transformations on images (**image warping**).
- Understand the differences between **forward** and **inverse warping**.

# Running motivational example: Panorama Stitching



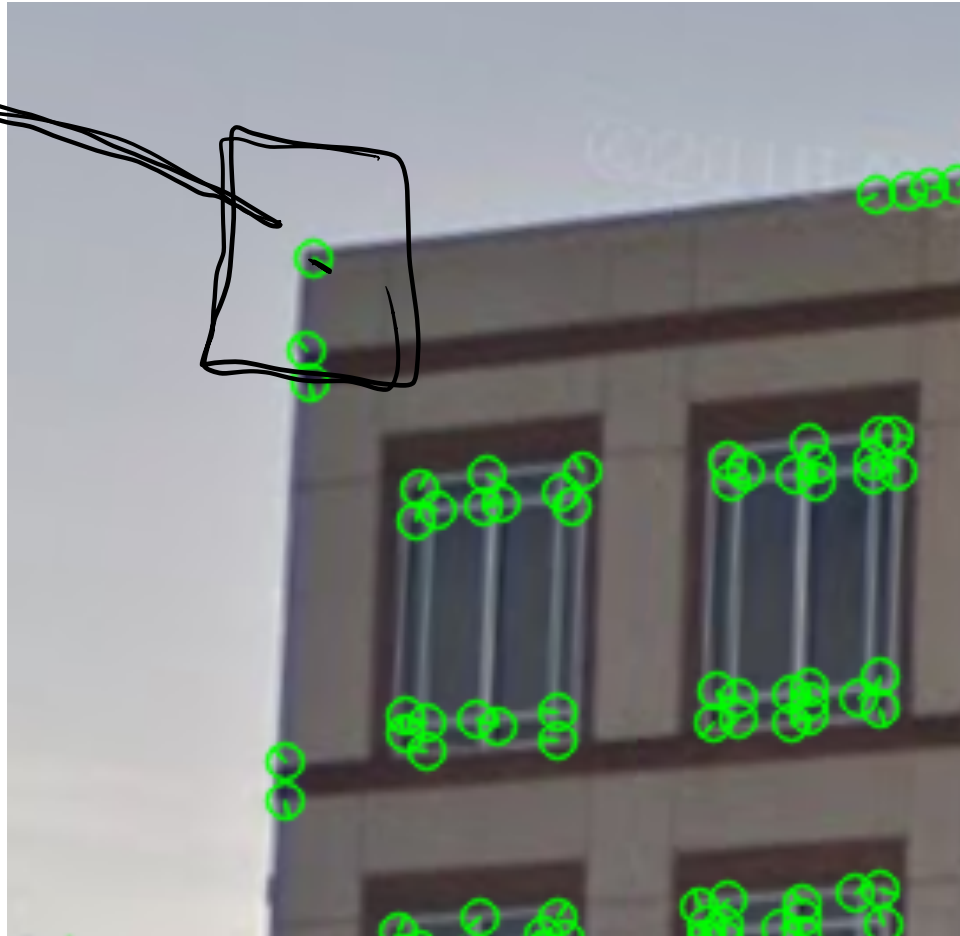
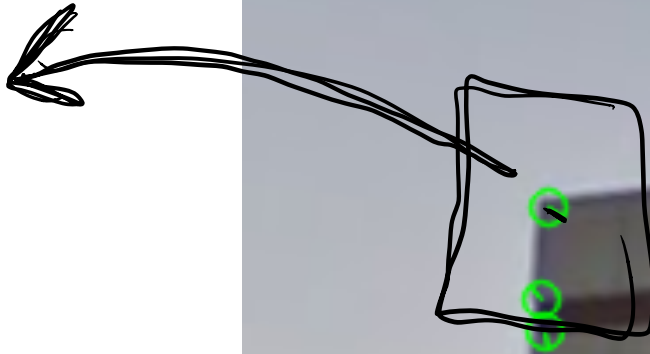
# 1. Detect Harris Corners



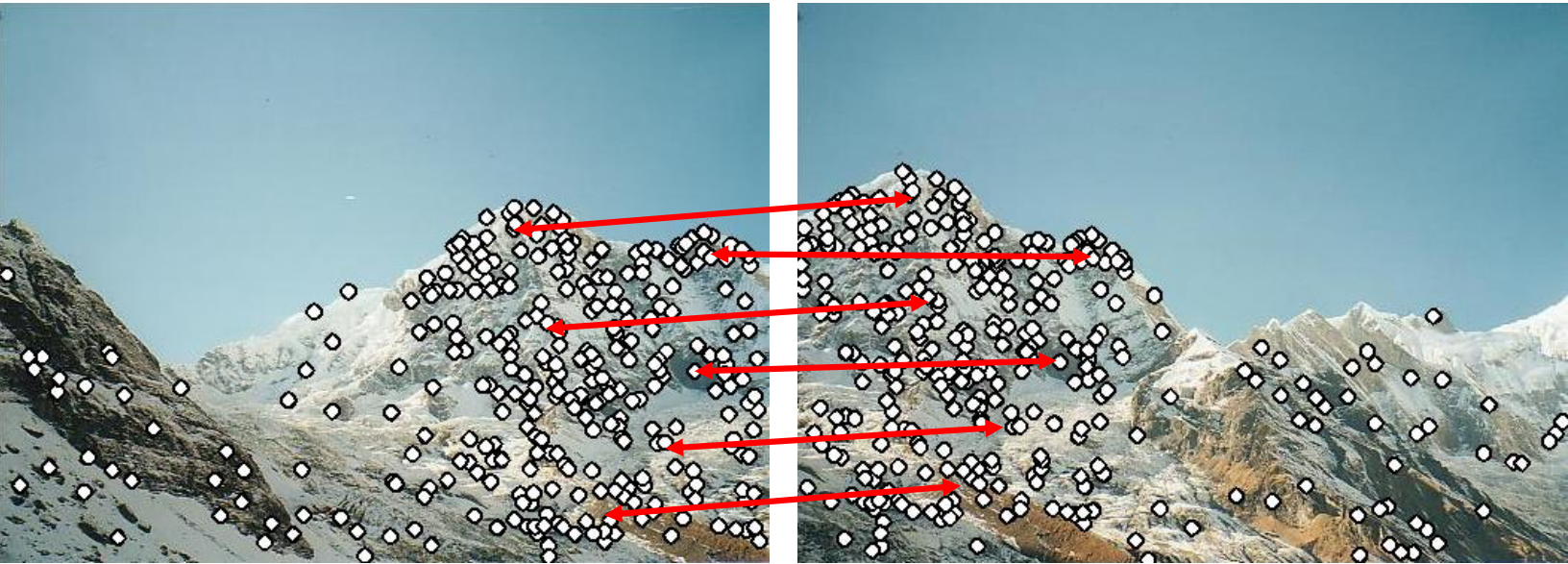
# 1. Detect Harris Corners



## 2. Describe features



# 3. Match Features



At this point, a "feature" has:

1. A keypoint: its position in one of the images
2. A descriptor: a vector of numbers that 'captures' its characteristics



# Feature Matching

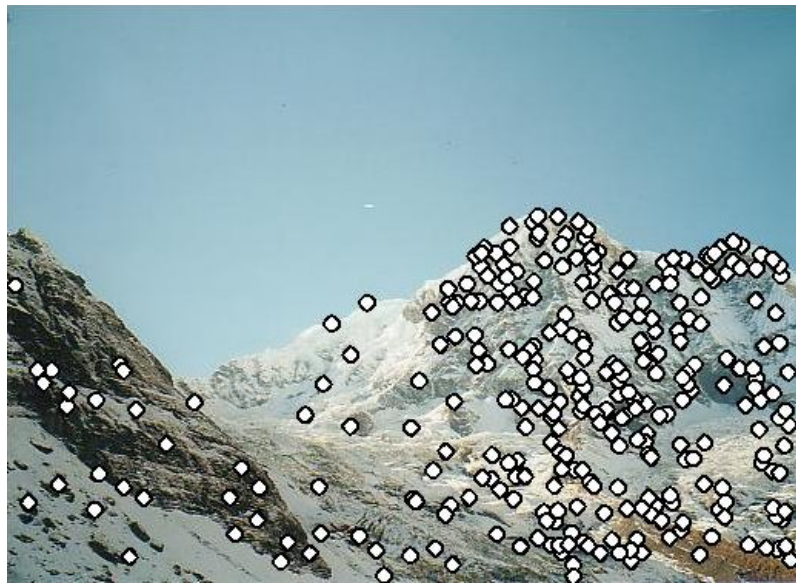


Image 1 features:

$$F_1 = \{f_1, f_2, \dots\}$$

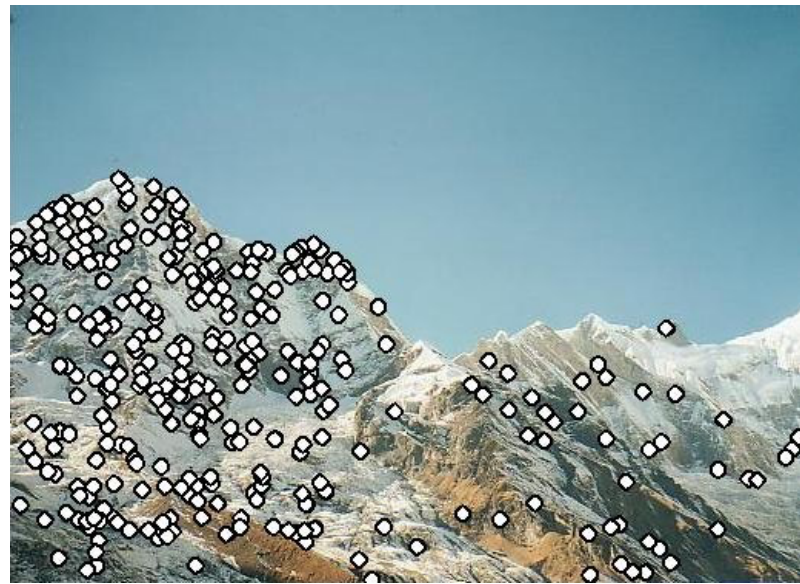


Image 2 features:

$$F_2 = \{f_1, f_2, \dots\}$$



# Matching Algorithm

```
F1 = detect_describe(img1)
```

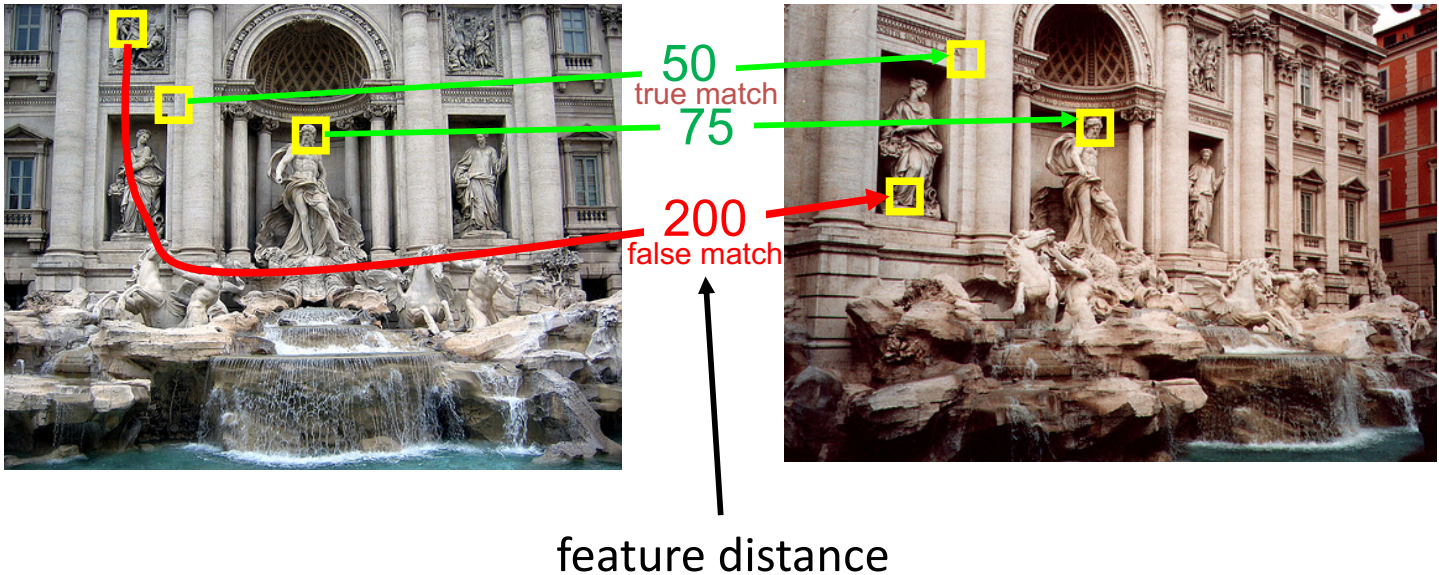
```
F2 = detect_describe(img2)
```

```
for f1 in F1:
```

```
    find f2 that minimizes  $d(f1, f2)$ 
```

```
    add (f1, f2) to matches
```

# But what if we're wrong?



- Answer #1: Threshold on match score

# Matching Algorithm

```
F1 = detect_describe(img1)
```

```
F2 = detect_describe(img2)
```

```
for f1 in F1:
```

```
    find f2 that minimizes  $d(f1, f2)$ 
```

```
    if  $d(f1, f2) < T$  ← choose empirically
```

```
        add (f1, f2) to matches
```

# Distance Metrics

What should we use for  $\mathbf{d}$  in  $\mathbf{d}(f_1, f_2)$ ? SSD

Sum of Squared Differences

$$\|f_1 - f_2\|^2 = \sum (f_1 - f_2)^2$$

# Distance Metrics

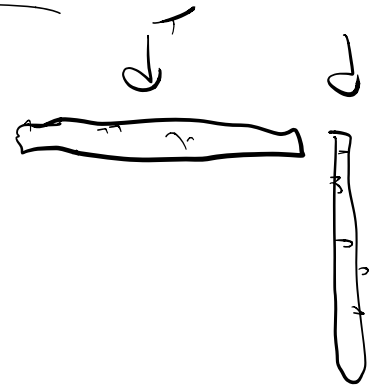
Sidenote: efficiently computing SSD

$$\text{np.sum}((f1 - f2) ** 2)$$

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$$d = f1 - f2$$

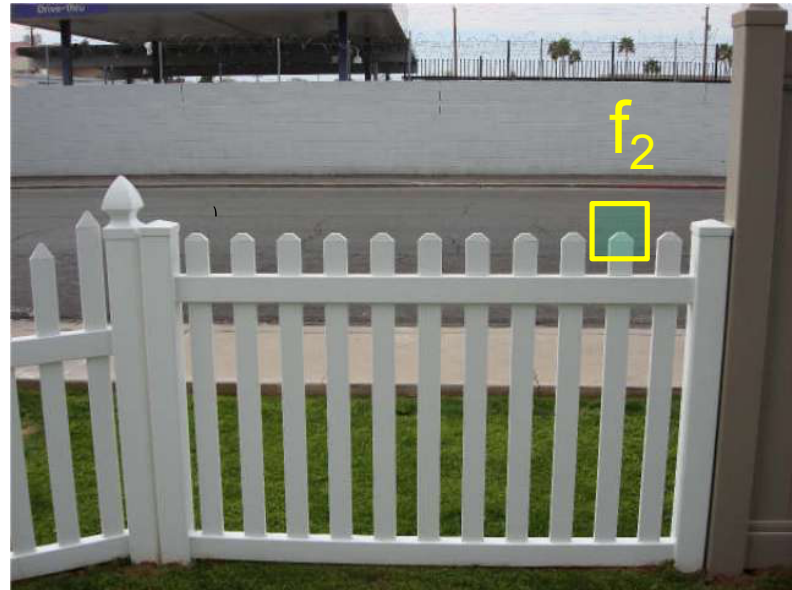
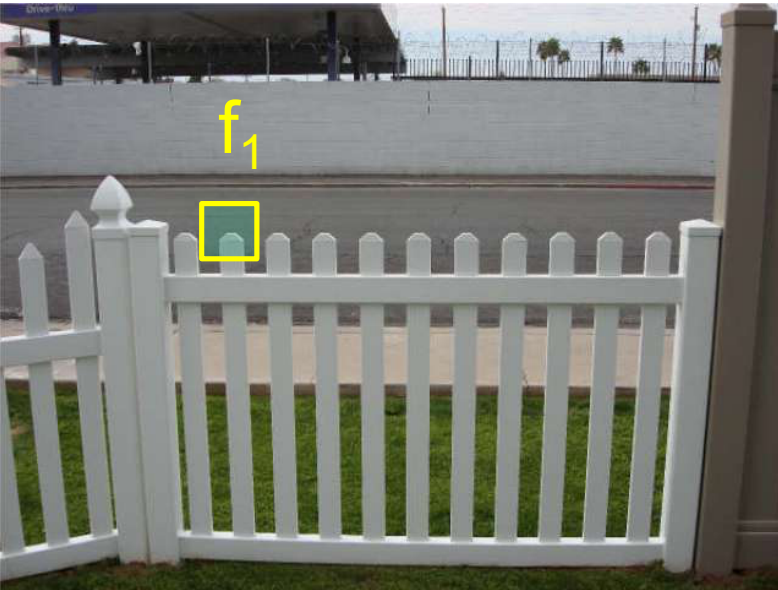
$$\text{dist} = d \cdot \text{dot}(d)$$



# A problem with SSD

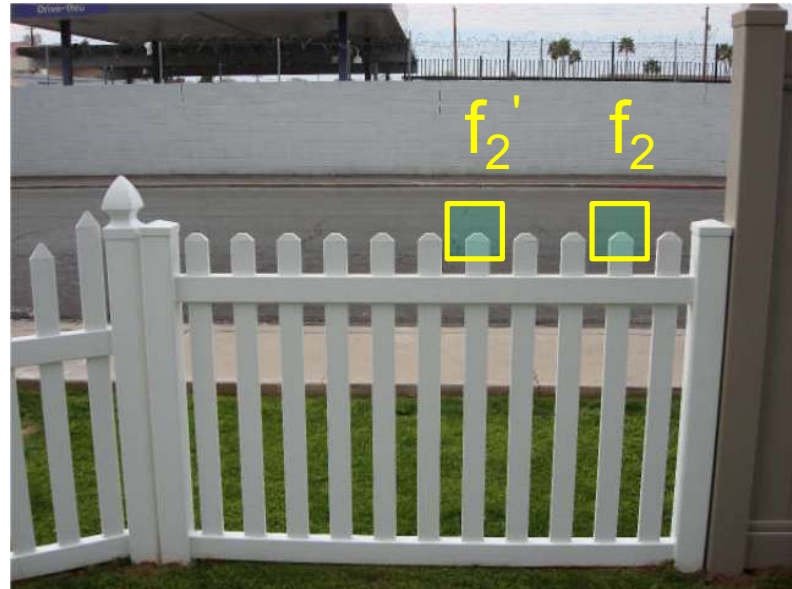
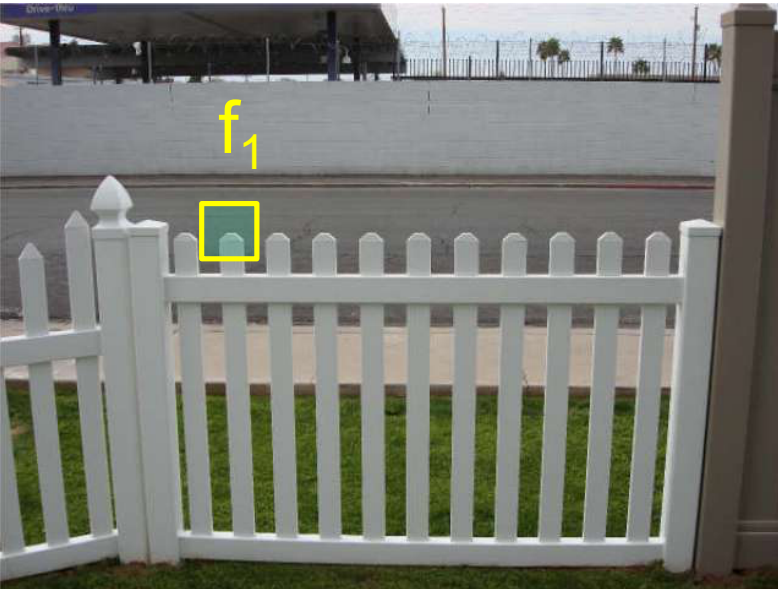


# A problem with SSD

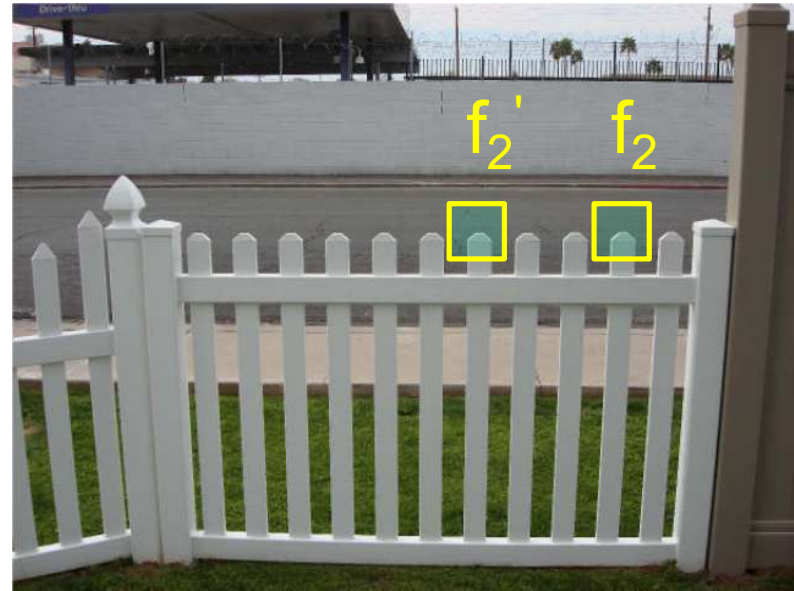
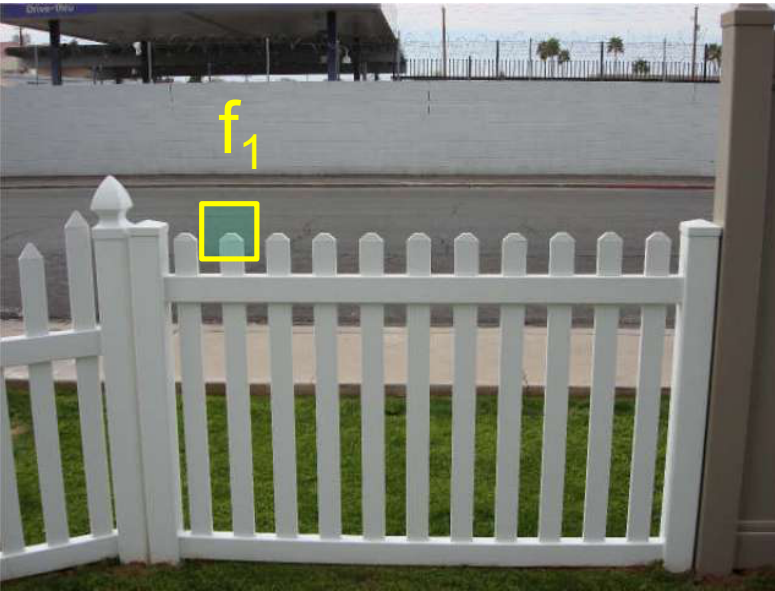




# A problem with SSD



# Ratio test - Intuition



We want a metric that gives small distance when features are

- like each other (according to SSD), but
- not like any others

# "Ratio Test" distance metric

$$r = \frac{\|f_1 - f_2\|^2}{\|f_1 - f_2'\|^2}$$

Small  $\rightarrow$   $\|f_1 - f_2\|^2$

large  $\rightarrow$   $\|f_1 - f_2'\|^2$

$f_2 = \text{closest SSD}$

$f_2' = \text{second closest}$

$f_1$ 's closest match is still  $f_2$ , but the distance between them is different

# Matching Algorithm

```
F1 = detect_describe(img1)
```

```
F2 = detect_describe(img2)
```

```
for f1 in F1:
```

```
    f2 = closest match according to SSD
```

```
    f2' = second-closest match according to SSD
```

```
    if  $SSD(f1, f2) / SSD(f1, f2') < T$ 
```

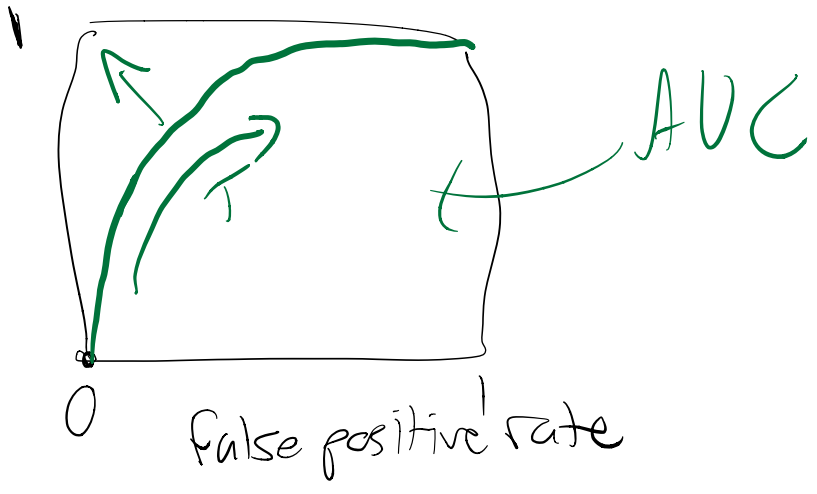
```
        add (f1, f2) to matches
```

# But what if we're wrong?

Decreasing the threshold  $T$  gives fewer **false positives** but also fewer **true positives**.



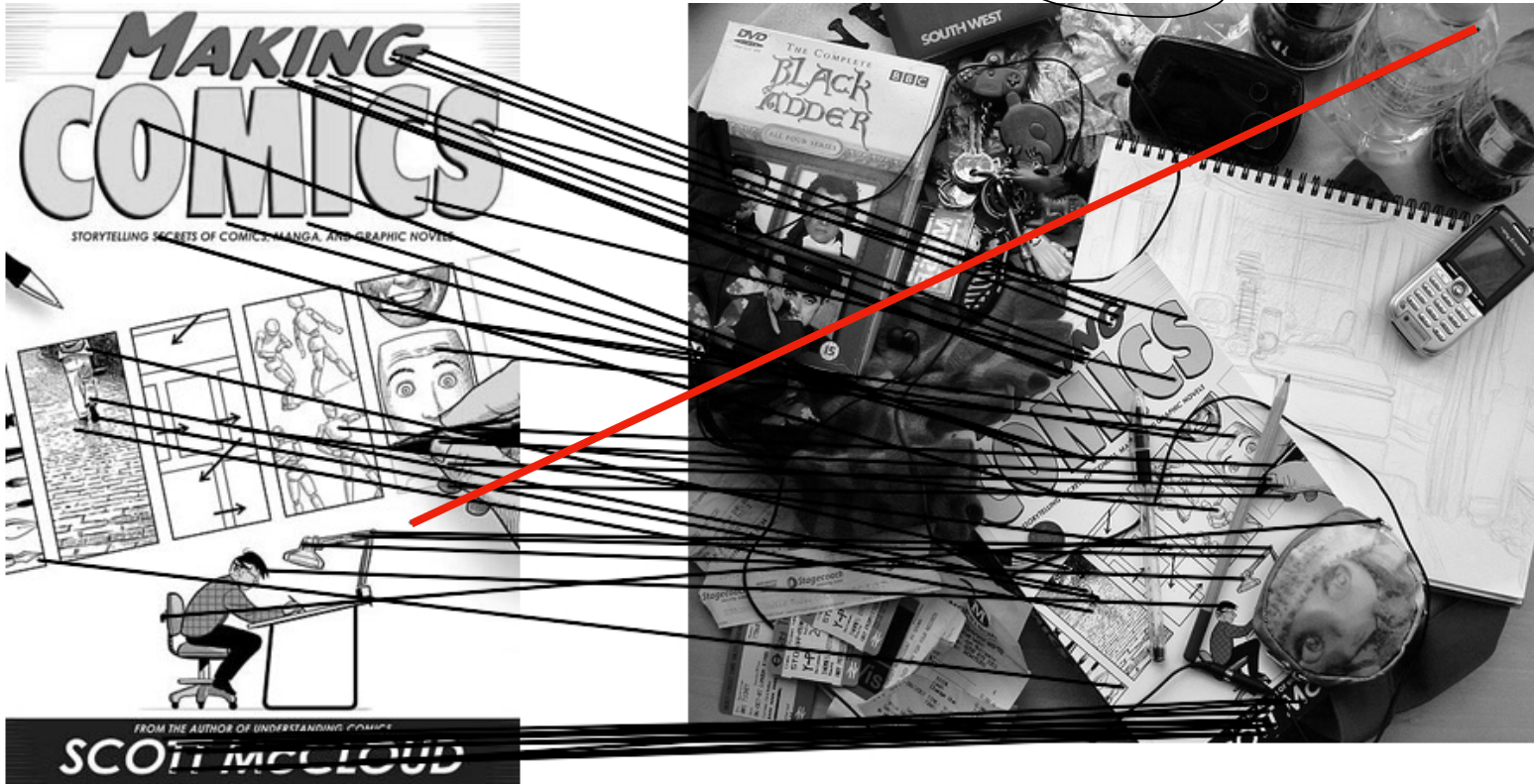
true  
pos  
rate



0 false positive rate

# But what if we're wrong?

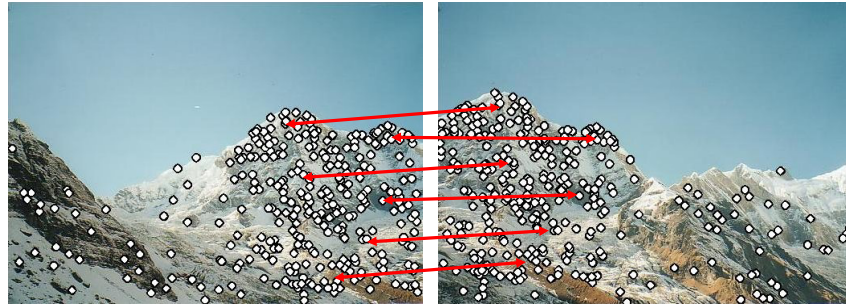
Many good matches, but still a few **outliers**.



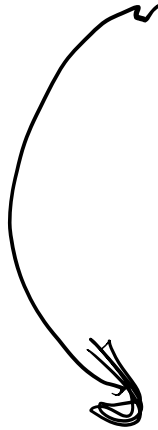
# Let's suppose we were never wrong.

We have a **perfect** set of feature matches.

$I_1$  Great job team!  $I_2$



1. Find  $T$



2. Warp  $I_2$   
into  $I_1$ 's  
coords



# Suppose

Match keypoints:

Img1

Img2

$\overset{x}{\downarrow} \overset{y}{\downarrow}$   
(0,0)

$\overset{x}{\downarrow} \overset{y}{\downarrow}$   
(2,2)

(74, 68)

(76, 70)

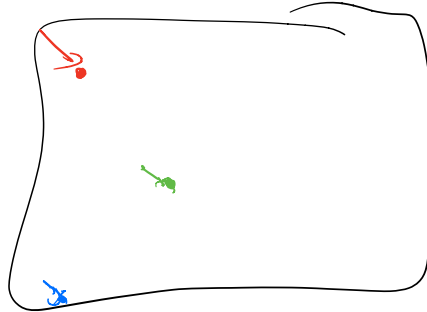
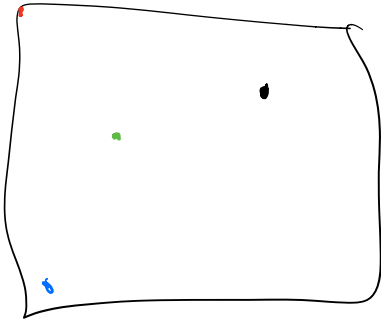
(104, 6)

(106, 8)

$$x', y' = f(x, y)$$

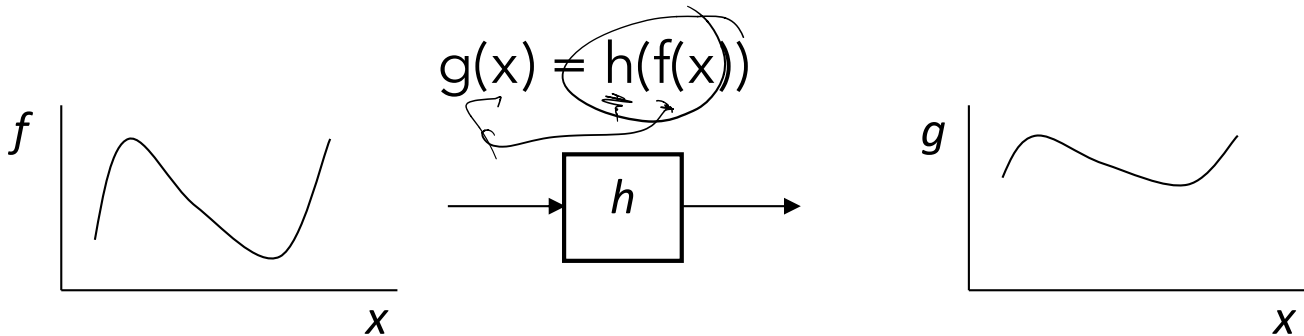
$$x' = x + 2$$

$$y' = y + 2$$

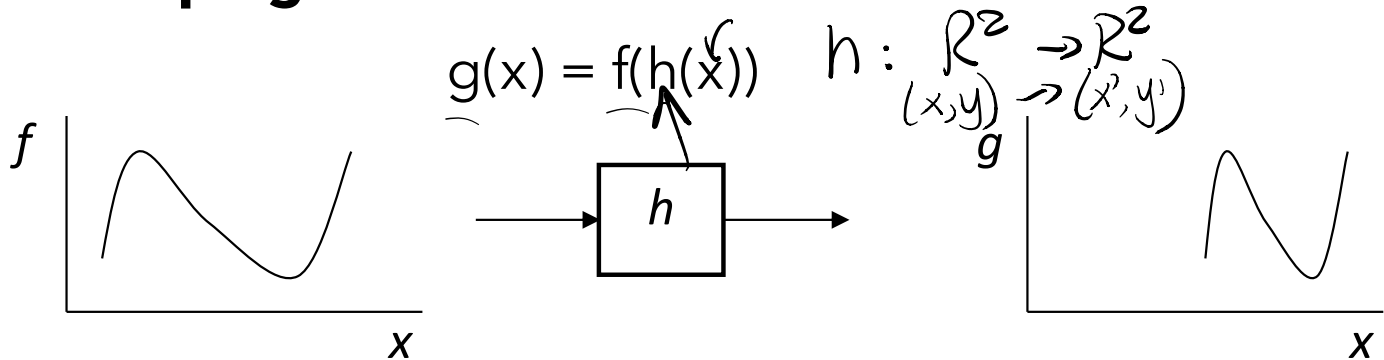


# This is a geometric <sup>filter</sup> transformation $(\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$

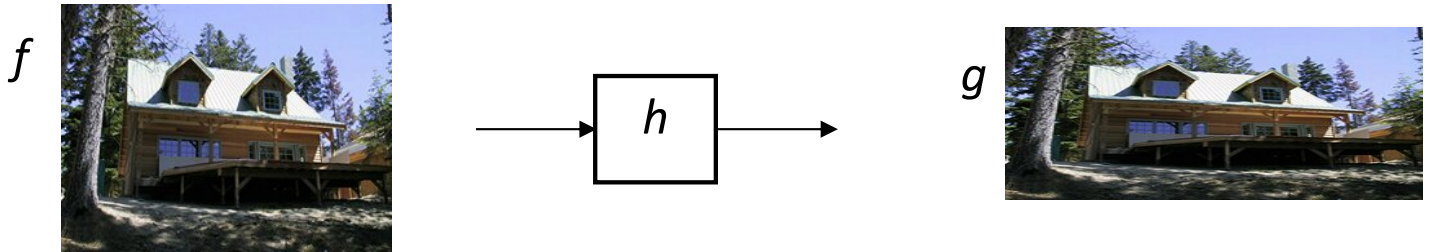
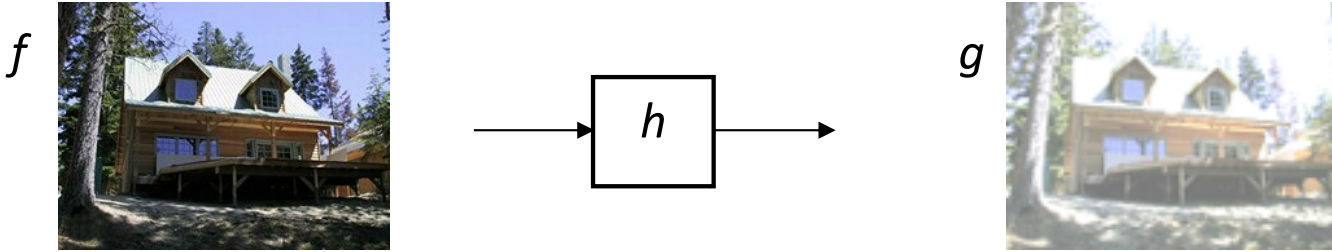
- **Filtering** was a transformation on the *range*:



- ⇒ • **Warping** is a transformation on the *domain*:

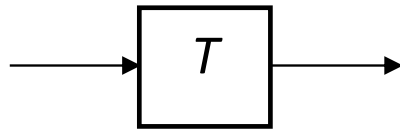


# Filtering vs Warping



# Linear Parametric (global) Warping

- Apply the same function to all coordinates.



$\mathbf{p} = (x, y)$   $T$  transforms *image coordinates*  $\mathbf{p}' = (x', y')$

$$x', y' = T(x, y)$$

# Suppose

Match keypoints:

Img1	Img2
<del>(1, 1)</del>	(2, 2)
<del>(10, 900)</del>	(24, 63)
(24, 63)	(48, 126)
(10, 900),	(20, 1800)

$$x', y' = T(x, y)$$

What is function T describes the transformation between these?

What is T?

$$x' = 2x \quad \leftarrow$$

$$y' = 2y \quad \leftarrow$$

# Linear Transformations

- Linear means matrices, right?

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Img 2} \\ \text{Coords} \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Img 1} \\ \text{Coords} \end{array}$$

**T**

# What can we do with these?



$$S = \begin{bmatrix} n & 0 \\ 0 & n \end{bmatrix}$$

Scale uniformly  
by  $S$



$$U = \begin{pmatrix} S_x & 0 \\ 0 & S_y = \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}$$



