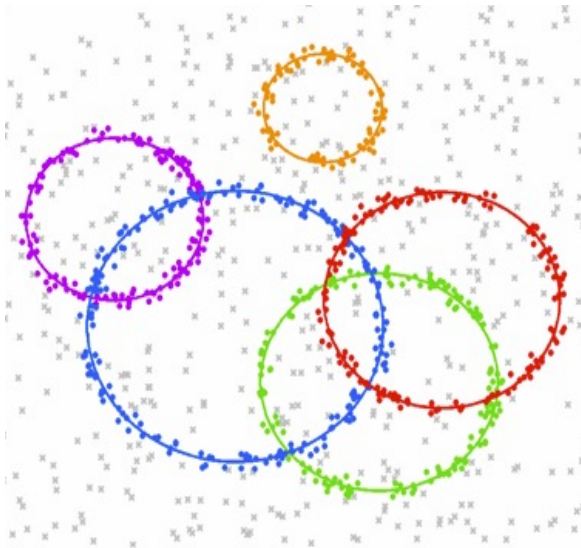
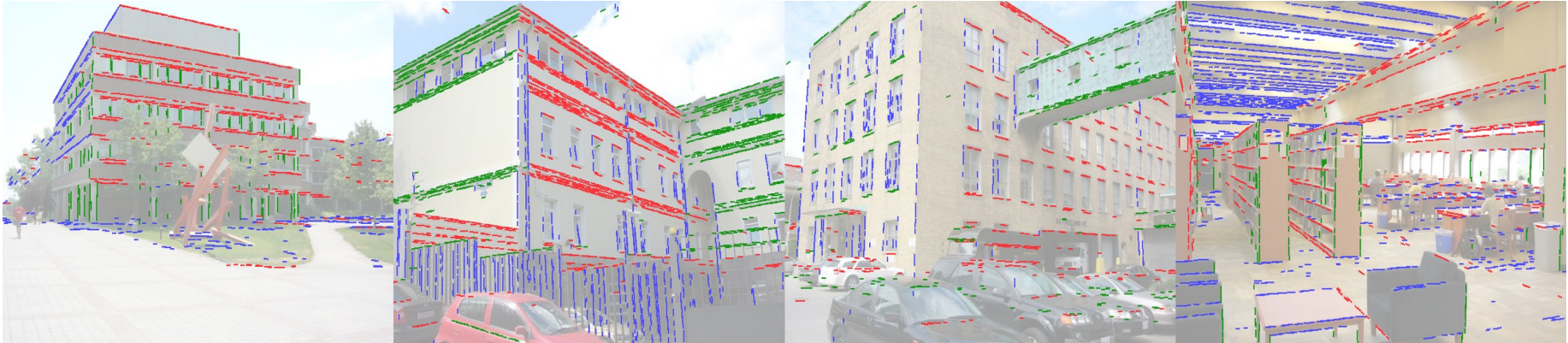


# Geometric Model Fitting

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# Geometric Model Fitting

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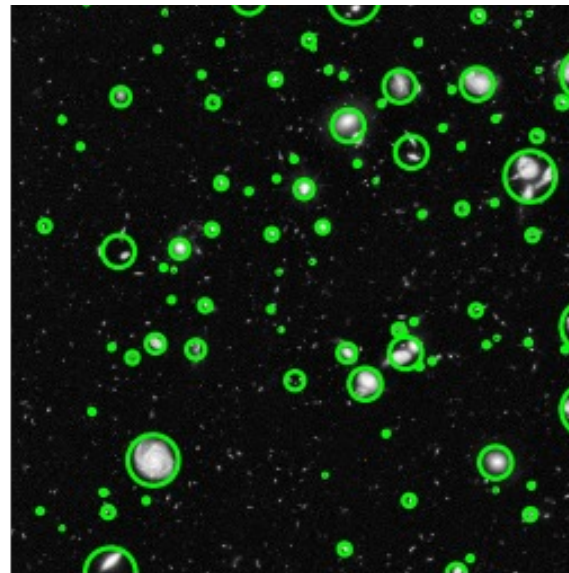
- Feature matching  $(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}'_i)$
- Model fitting (e.g. homography estimation for panoramas)
  - How many points to choose?
  - Least square model fitting
  - RANSAC (robust method for model fitting)
- Multi-model fitting problems

# Flashbacks: feature detectors

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**Harris corners**



**Dog**

python code from “FeaturePoints.ipynb”

```
from skimage.feature import corner_harris, corner_subpix, corner_peaks

hc_filter = corner_harris(image_gray)
peaks = corner_peaks(hc_filter)
```

```
from skimage.feature import blob_dog

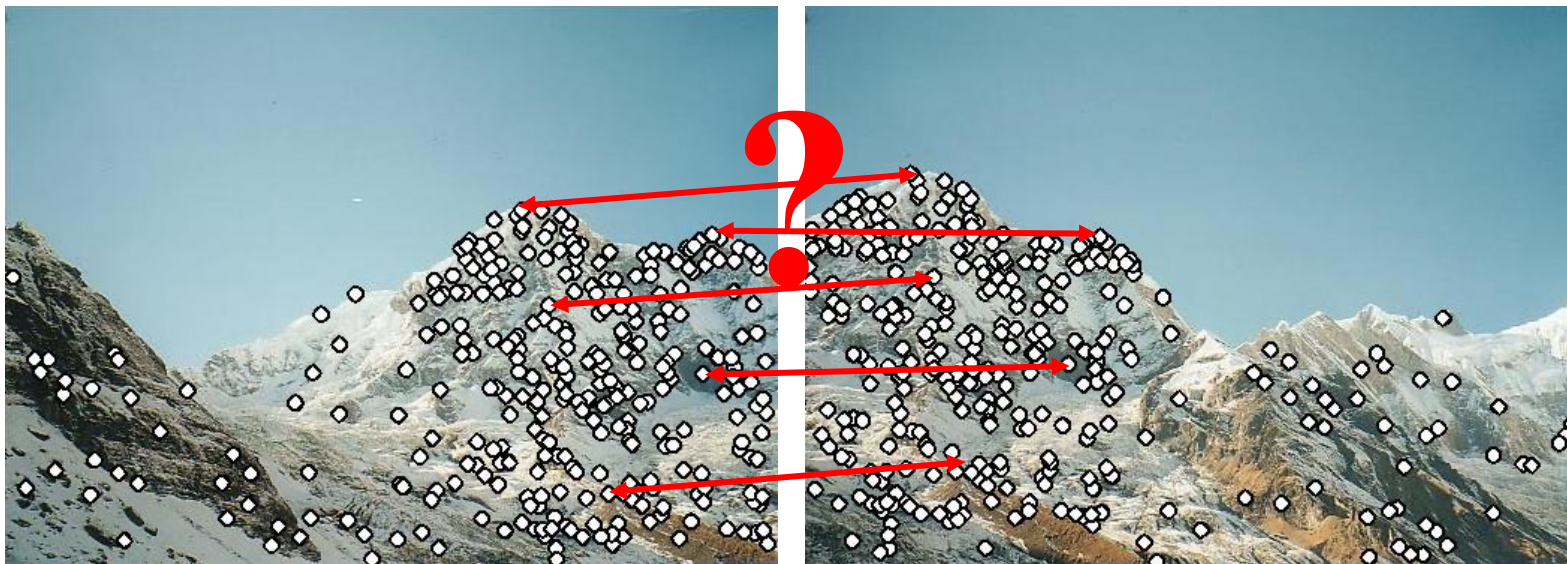
blobs = blob_dog(image_gray)
```

# Flashbacks: feature descriptors

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We know how to detect points

Next question: **How to match them?**



need **point descriptors** that should be

- **Invariant** (e.g. to gain/bias, rotation, projection, etc)
- **Distinctive** (to avoid false matches)

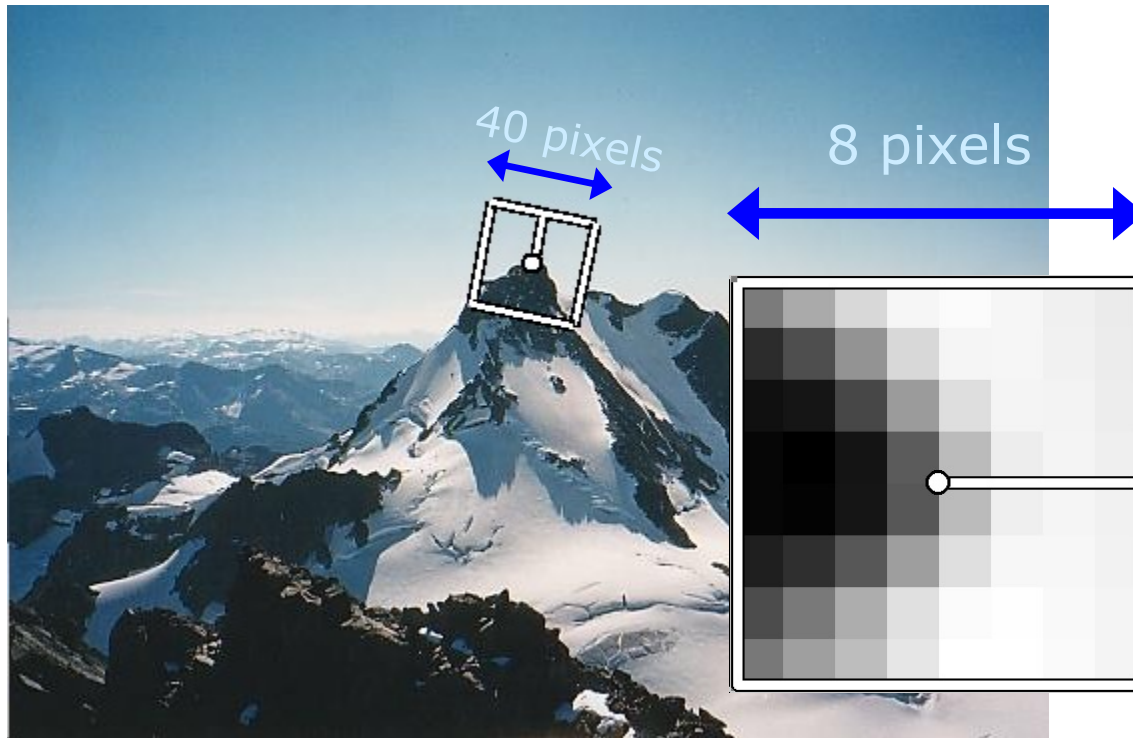
# Flashbacks: MOPS descriptor

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8x8 oriented patch

- Sampled at 5 x scale

Bias/gain normalization:  $I' = (I - \mu)/\sigma$



Another popular idea (SIFT): use gradient orientations inside the patch as a descriptor (also invariant to gain/bias)

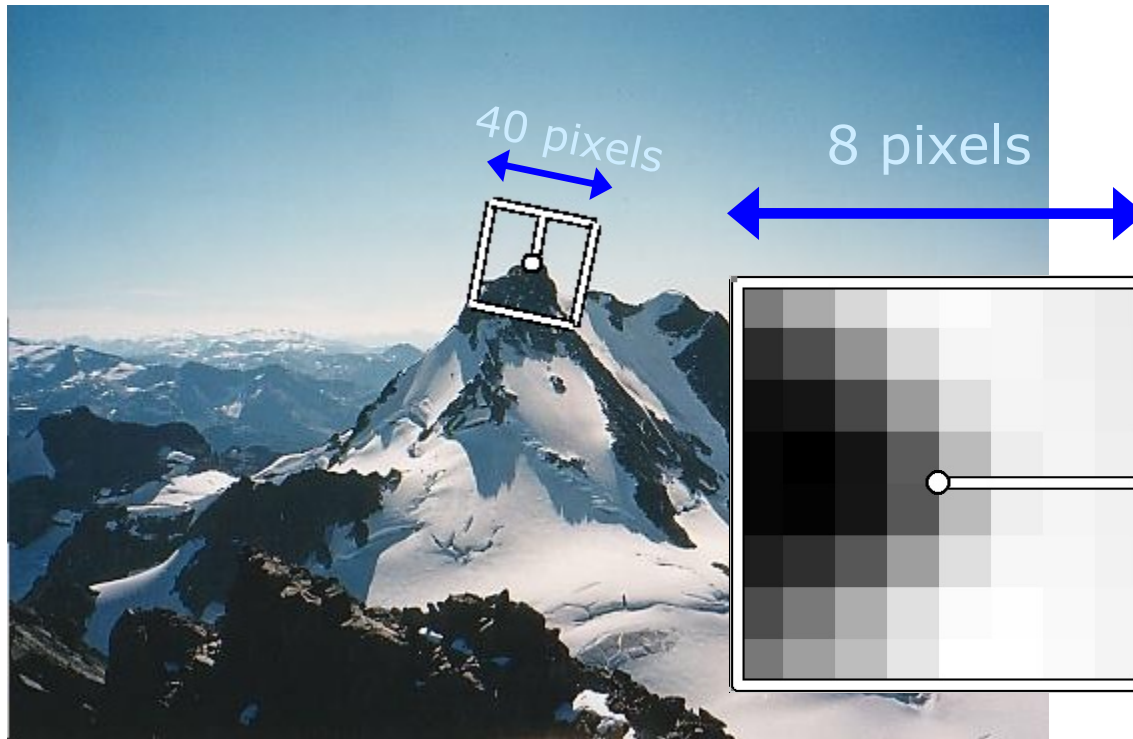
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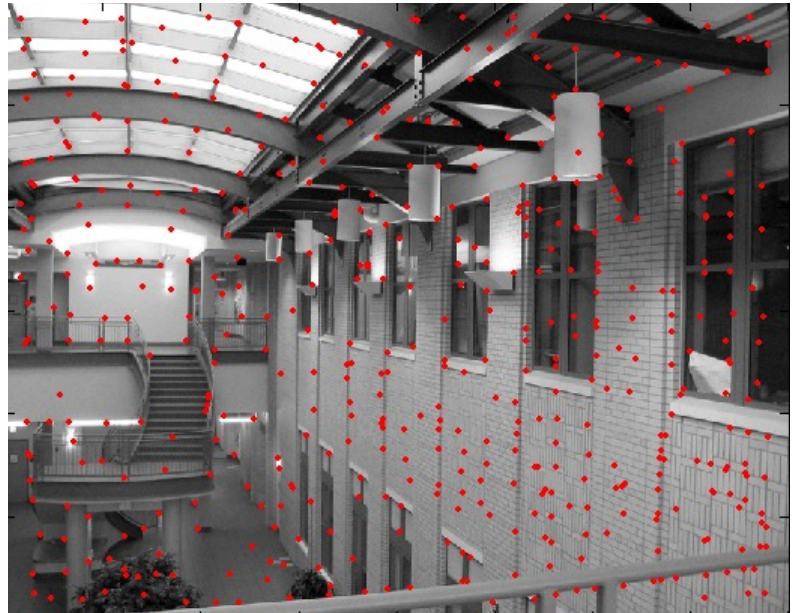
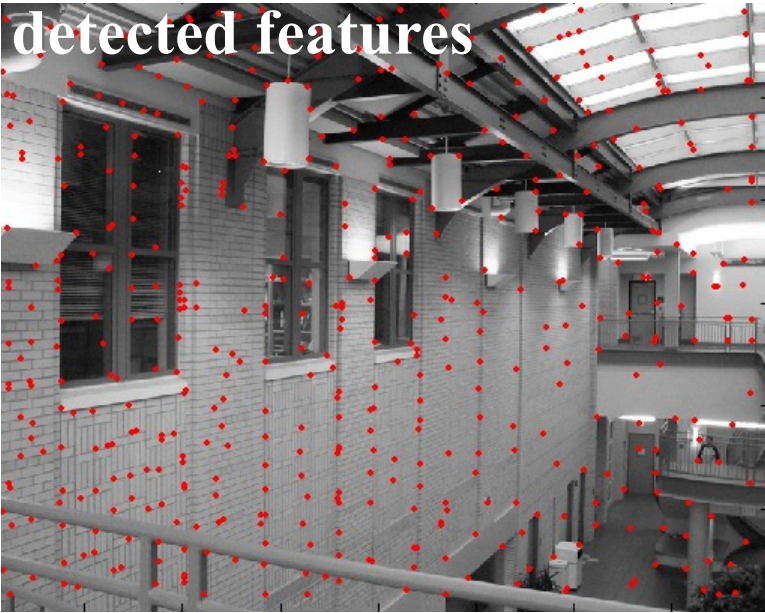
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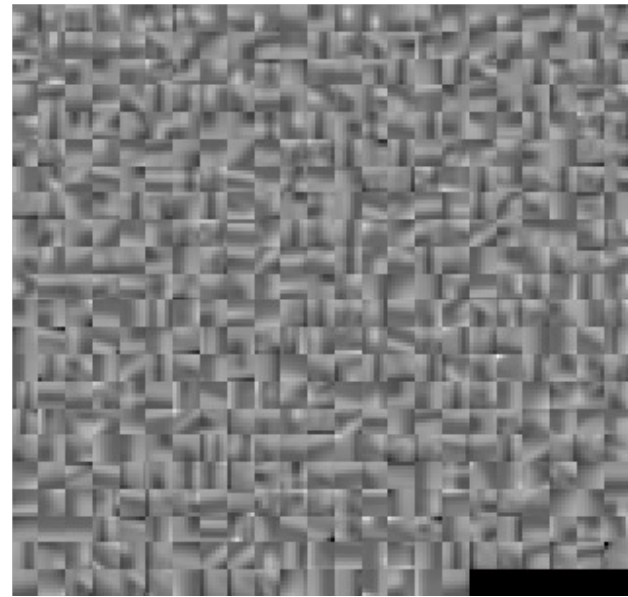
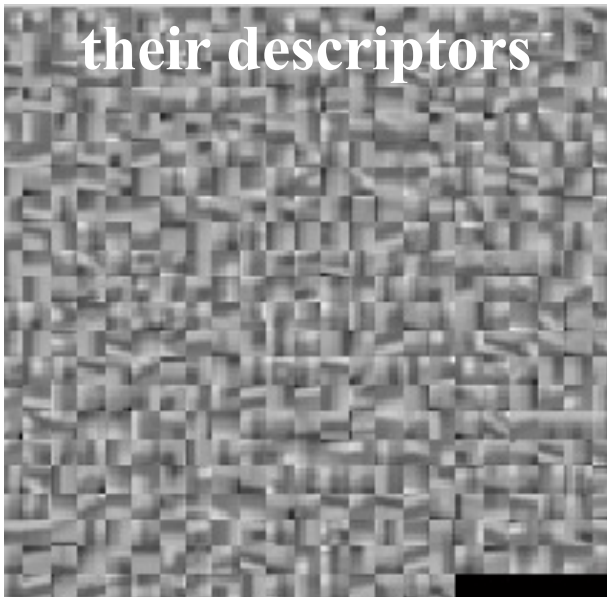
Popular descriptors: MOPS, SIFT, SURF, HOG, BRIEF, many more...

# Feature matching

detected features



their descriptors



# Feature matching

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## Optimal matching:

- Bipartite matching, quadratic assignment (QA) problems
  - too expensive

## Common simple approach:

- use SSD (sum of squared differences) between two descriptors (patches).
- for each feature in image 1 find a feature in image 2 with the lowest SSD
- accept a match if  $SSD(\text{patch1}, \text{patch2}) < T$  (threshold)

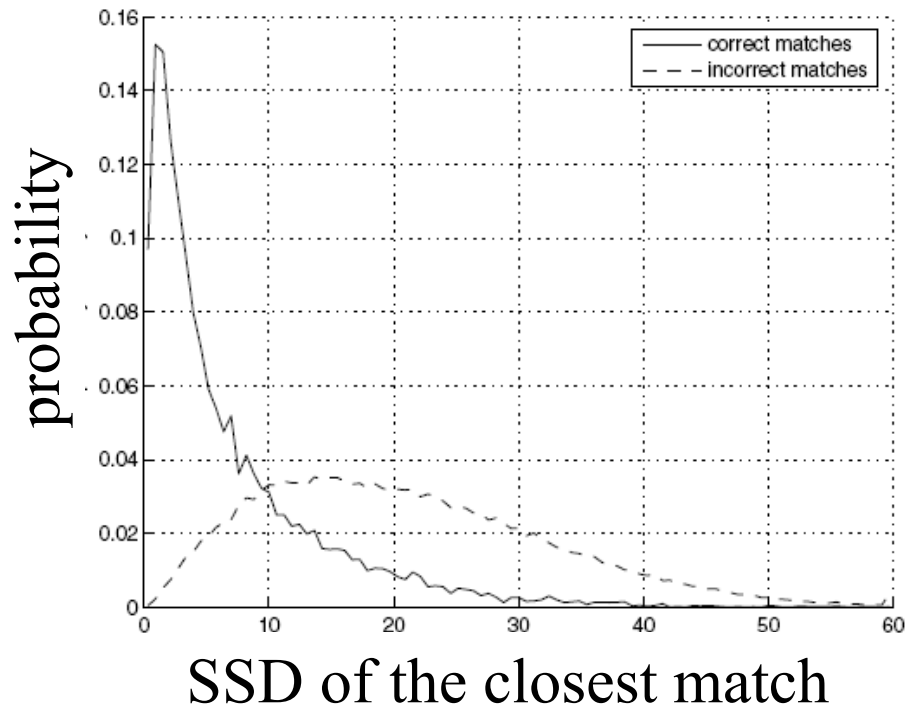


# Feature matching

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$$\text{SSD}(\text{patch1}, \text{patch2}) < T$$

How to set threshold  $T$ ?



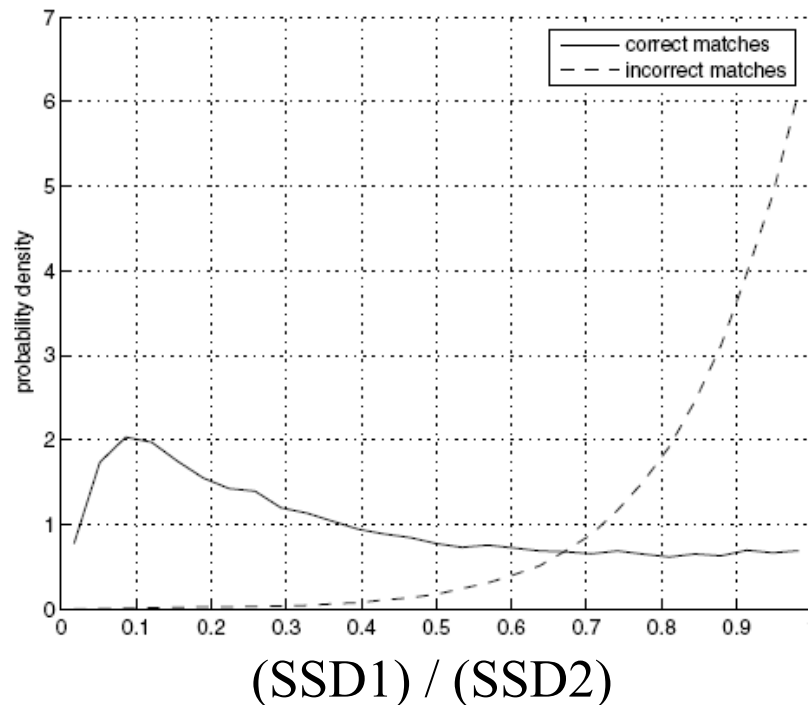
**no threshold  $T$  is  
good for separating  
correct and  
incorrect matches**

# Feature matching

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A better way [Lowe, 1999]:

- SSD of the closest match (SSD1)
- SSD of the second-closest match (SSD2)
- Accept the best match if it is much better than the second-best match (and the rest of the matches)



**easier to select  
threshold T for  
decision test**

$$(SSD1) / (SSD2) < T$$

# Python example (BRIEF descriptor)



```
from skimage.feature import (corner_harris, corner_peaks, plot_matches, BRIEF, match_descriptors)
```

```
keypointsL = corner_peaks(corner_harris(imL), threshold_rel=0.0005, min_distance=5)
```

```
keypointsR = corner_peaks(corner_harris(imR), threshold_rel=0.0005, min_distance=5)
```

```
extractor = BRIEF()
```

```
extractor.extract(imL, keypointsL)
```

```
keypointsL = keypointsL[extractor.mask]
```

```
descriptorsL = extractor.descriptors
```

```
extractor.extract(imR, keypointsR)
```

```
keypointsR = keypointsR[extractor.mask]
```

```
descriptorsR = extractor.descriptors
```

```
matchesLR = match_descriptors(descriptorsL, descriptorsR, cross_check=True)
```

**find the closest match  $p'$   
for any feature  $p$**

**crosscheck: keep pair  $(p, p')$   
only if  $p$  is the best match for  $p'$**

# How to fit a homography???

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**What problems do you see for homography estimation?**

# How to fit a homography???

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**What problems do you see for homography estimation?**

**Issue 1:** the number of matches  $(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}'_i)$  is more than 4

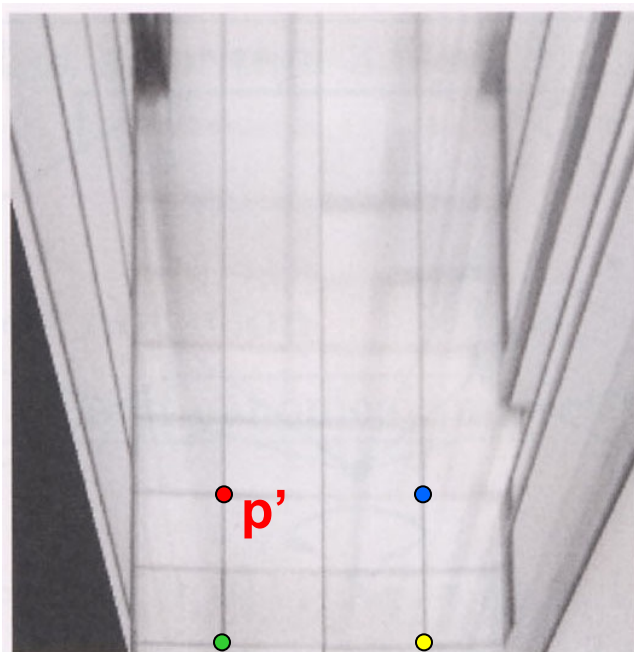
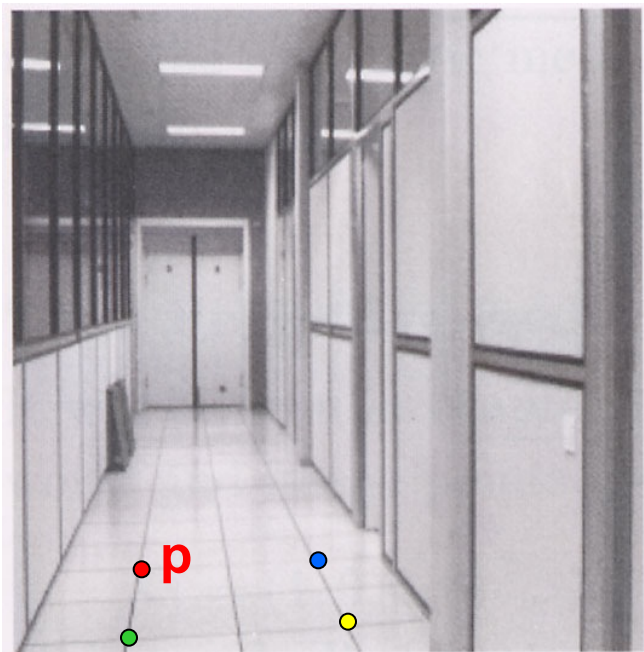
**Answer:** model fitting via “least squares” (later, slide 21)

**Issue 2:** too many *outliers* or wrong matches  $(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}'_i)$

**Answer:** robust model fitting via RANSAC (later, slide 35)

# Recall: Homography from 4 points

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# Recall: Homography from 4 points

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Consider one match (point-correspondence)  $p = (x, y) \rightarrow p' = (x', y')$

$$\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p} \quad \begin{bmatrix} wx' \\ wy' \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**After eliminating  $w = gx + hy + i$  :**

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \quad ax + by + c - gxx' - hyy' - ix' &= 0 \\ dx + ey + f - gxy' - hyy' - iy' &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Two equations linear w.r.t unknown coefficients of matrix H  
and quadratic w.r.t. known point coordinates  $(x, y, x', y')$**

# Recall: Homography from 4 points

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Consider 4 point-correspondences  $p_i = (x_i, y_i) \rightarrow p'_i = (x'_i, y'_i)$

$$\mathbf{p}'_i = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}_i \quad \begin{bmatrix} w_i x'_i \\ w_i y'_i \\ w_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } i=1,2,3,4$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} ax_i + by_i + c - gx_i x'_i - hy_i x'_i - ix'_i &= 0 \\ dx_i + ey_i + f - gx_i y'_i - hy_i y'_i - iy'_i &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Special case of  
DLT method  
(see p.89  
in Hartley and  
Zisserman)

Can be written as matrix multiplication  $\mathbf{A}_i \cdot \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0}$  for  $i=1,2,3,4$

where  $\mathbf{h} = [a \ b \ c \ d \ e \ f \ g \ h \ i]^T$  is a vector of unknown coefficients in  $\mathbf{H}$

and  $\mathbf{A}_i$  is a 2x9 matrix based on known point coordinates  $x_i, y_i, x'_i, y'_i$



# Recall: Homography from 4 points

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Consider 4 point-correspondences  $p_i = (x_i, y_i) \rightarrow p'_i = (x'_i, y'_i)$

$$\mathbf{p}'_i = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}_i \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underset{2 \times 9}{\mathbf{A}_i} \cdot \underset{9 \times 1}{\mathbf{h}} = \underset{2 \times 1}{\mathbf{0}} \quad \text{for } i=1,2,3,4$$

All four matrix equations can be “stacked up” as

or

$$\boxed{\underset{8 \times 9}{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \underset{9 \times 1}{\mathbf{h}} = \underset{8 \times 1}{\mathbf{0}}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1 \\ \mathbf{A}_2 \\ \mathbf{A}_3 \\ \mathbf{A}_4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0} \quad \begin{matrix} \\ \\ \\ 8 \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

**Q:** how many solutions for h? **A:** none **B:** one **C:** many

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$8 \times 9 \quad 9 \times 1 \quad 8 \times 1$

for  $i=1,2,3,4$

**8 linear equations, 9 unknowns: trivial solution  $\mathbf{h}=\mathbf{0}$ ?**

**All solutions  $\mathbf{h}$  form the (right) null space of  $\mathbf{A}$  of dimension 1, but they represent the same transformation (as homographies can be scaled)**

To find one specific solution  $\mathbf{h}$ , for now fix one element, *e.g.*  $i = 1$  as discussed in topic 7, **this may not work** more generally, should fix norm  $\|\mathbf{h}\|=1$  (later)

$$\Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\mathbf{A}_{1:8} \cdot \mathbf{h}_{1:8} = -\mathbf{A}_9}$$

$8 \times 8 \quad 8 \times 1 \quad 8 \times 1$

first 8 columns of  $\mathbf{A}$

first 8 rows of  $\mathbf{h}$

9th columns of  $\mathbf{A}$

# Recall: Homography from 4 points

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for  $i=1,2,3,4$

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# More than 4 points

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Consider 4 point correspondences  $p_i = (x_i, y_i) \rightarrow p'_i = (x'_i, y'_i)$

$$\mathbf{p}'_i = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}_i \quad \Rightarrow$$

for  $i=1,2,3,4$

$$\mathbf{A}_{1:8} \cdot \mathbf{h}_{1:8} = -\mathbf{A}_9$$

$8 \times 8 \qquad 8 \times 1 \qquad 8 \times 1$

## Questions:

What if 4 points correspondences are known with error?

Are there any benefits from knowing more point correspondences?

First, consider a simpler model fitting problem...

# Simpler example: line fitting

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Assume a set of data points  $(X_1, X'_1), (X_2, X'_2), (X_3, X'_3), \dots$   
(e.g. person's height vs. weight)

We want to fit a model (e.g. a **line**) to predict  $X'$  from  $X$

$$a \cdot X + b = X'$$

How many pairs  $(X_i, X'_i)$  do we need to find  $a$  and  $b$ ?

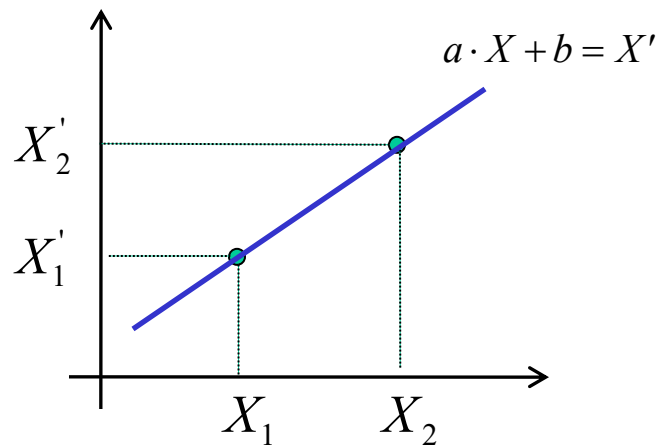
$$X_1 a + b = X'_1$$

$$X_2 a + b = X'_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 & 1 \\ X_2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'_1 \\ X'_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \cdot x = B$$

$$x = A^{-1} \cdot B$$



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What if the data points  $(X_i, X'_i)$  are noisy?

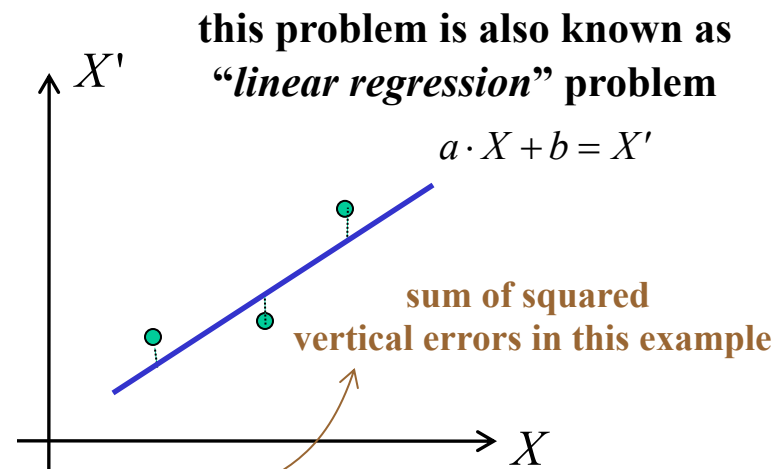
over-constrained

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 & 1 \\ X_2 & 1 \\ X_3 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X'_1 \\ X'_2 \\ X'_3 \\ \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

$A \cdot x = B$

$$\min_x \|Ax - B\|^2 \quad (\text{least-squares})$$

$$x = A^{-1} \cdot B$$



where  $A^{-1} \equiv V \cdot W^{-1} \cdot U^T$  is a *pseudo-inverse*  
based on SVD decomposition  $A = U \cdot W \cdot V^T$   
(in python, one can use *svd* function in library *numpy.linalg*)

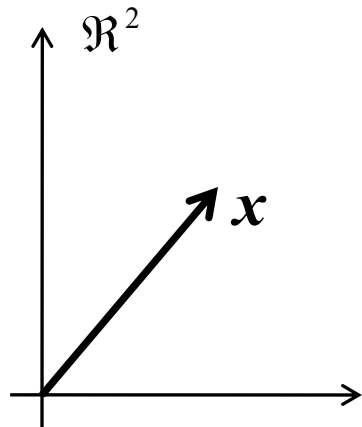
# SVD: rough idea

$$A = U \cdot W \cdot V^T$$

$M \geq N$ :  $M \times N$   $M \times N$   $N \times N$   $N \times N$

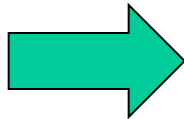
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where  $U$  and  $V$  are matrices with ortho-normal columns and  $W$  is diagonal with elements  $w_i \geq 0$  (see "Numerical Recipes in C", edition 2, Sec. 2.6)



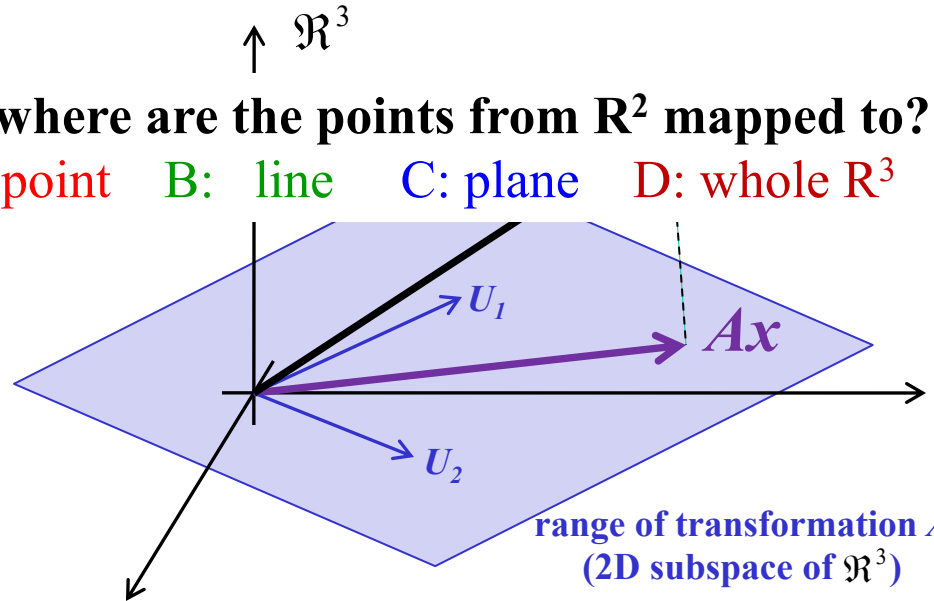
$$A \cdot x$$

$3 \times 2$



**Q: where are the points from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  mapped to?**

**A: point    B: line    C: plane    D: whole  $\mathbb{R}^3$**



range of transformation  $A$   
(2D subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ )

$U_i$  (column-vectors of  $U$ ) form the basis of this subspace

**How does SVD help to solve *least-squares* ?**

$$\min_x \|Ax - B\|^2$$

projection of  $B$  onto range of  $A$

$$x = A^{-1} \cdot B$$

$$\equiv V \cdot W^{-1} \cdot U^T \cdot B$$

Equivalent (fast to compute) expression

$$x = (A^T A)^{-1} \cdot A^T \cdot B$$

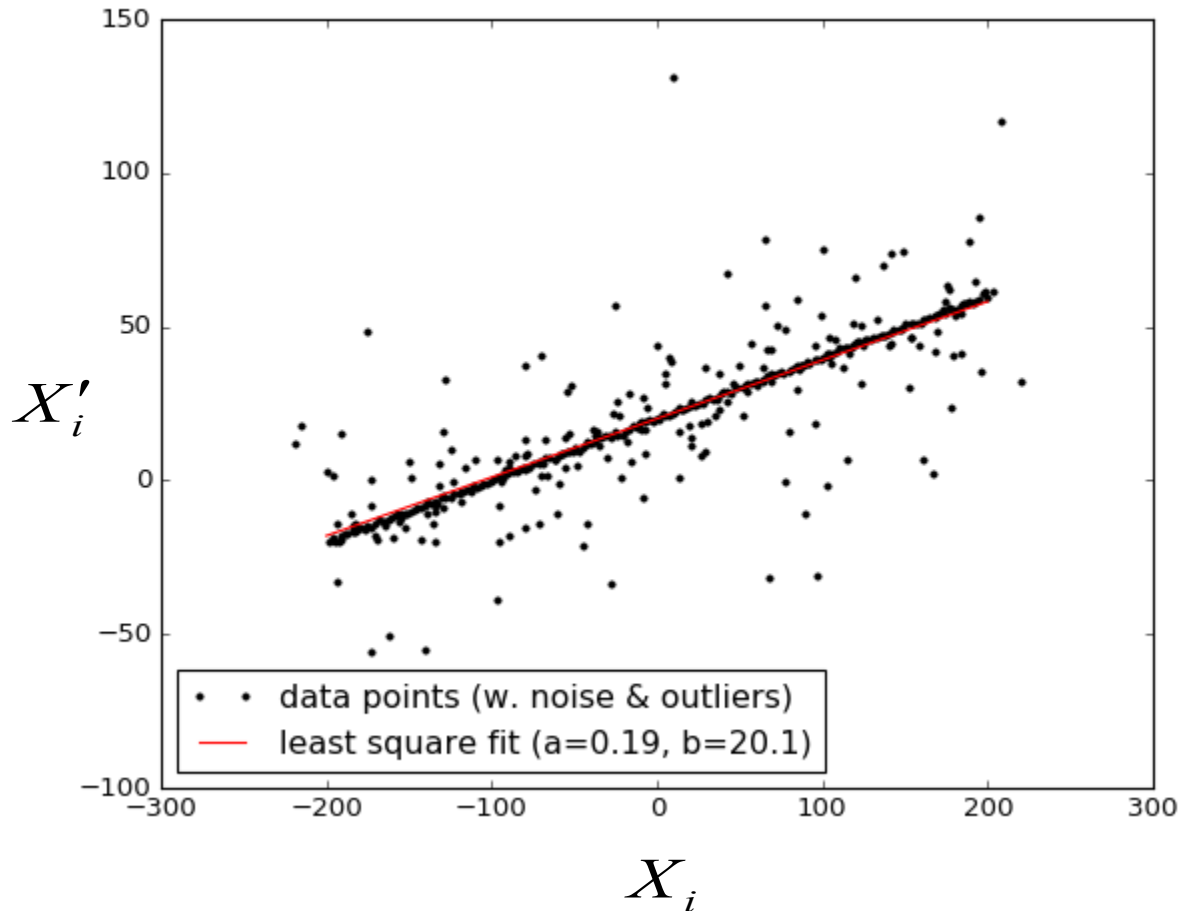
$N \times 1$       $N \times N$       $N \times M$       $M \times 1$

Indeed:  $A^T A = V W U^T U W V^T = V W^2 V^T$   
 so  $(A^T A)^{-1} \cdot A^T = V W^{-2} V^T \cdot V W U^T = V W^{-1} U^T$   
 If  $M \gg N$  computing inverse of *positive semi-definite*  $N \times N$  matrix  $A^T A$  can be faster than SVD of  $M \times N$  matrix  $A$

# Least squares line fitting

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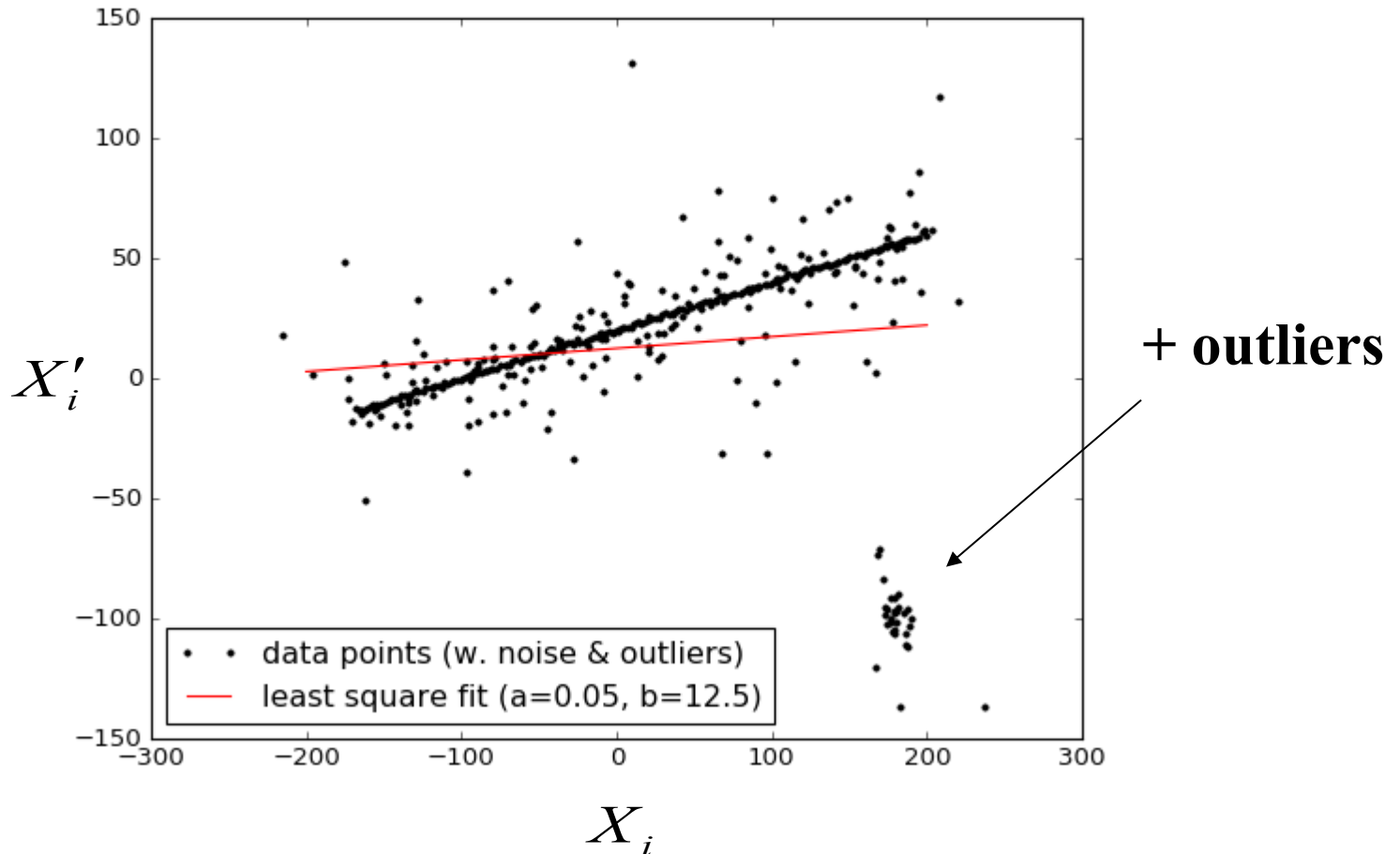
Data generated as  $X'_i = a X_i + b + \delta X_i$  for  $a=0.2$ ,  $b=20$  and Normal noise  $\delta X_i$





# Least squares fail in presence of outliers

Data generated as  $X'_i = a X_i + b + \delta X_i$  for  $a=0.2$ ,  $b=20$  and Normal noise  $\delta X_i$



**For cases with outliers we need a more robust method  
(e.g. RANSAC, coming soon)**

# Model fitting robust to outliers

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We need a method that can separate **inliers** from **outliers**

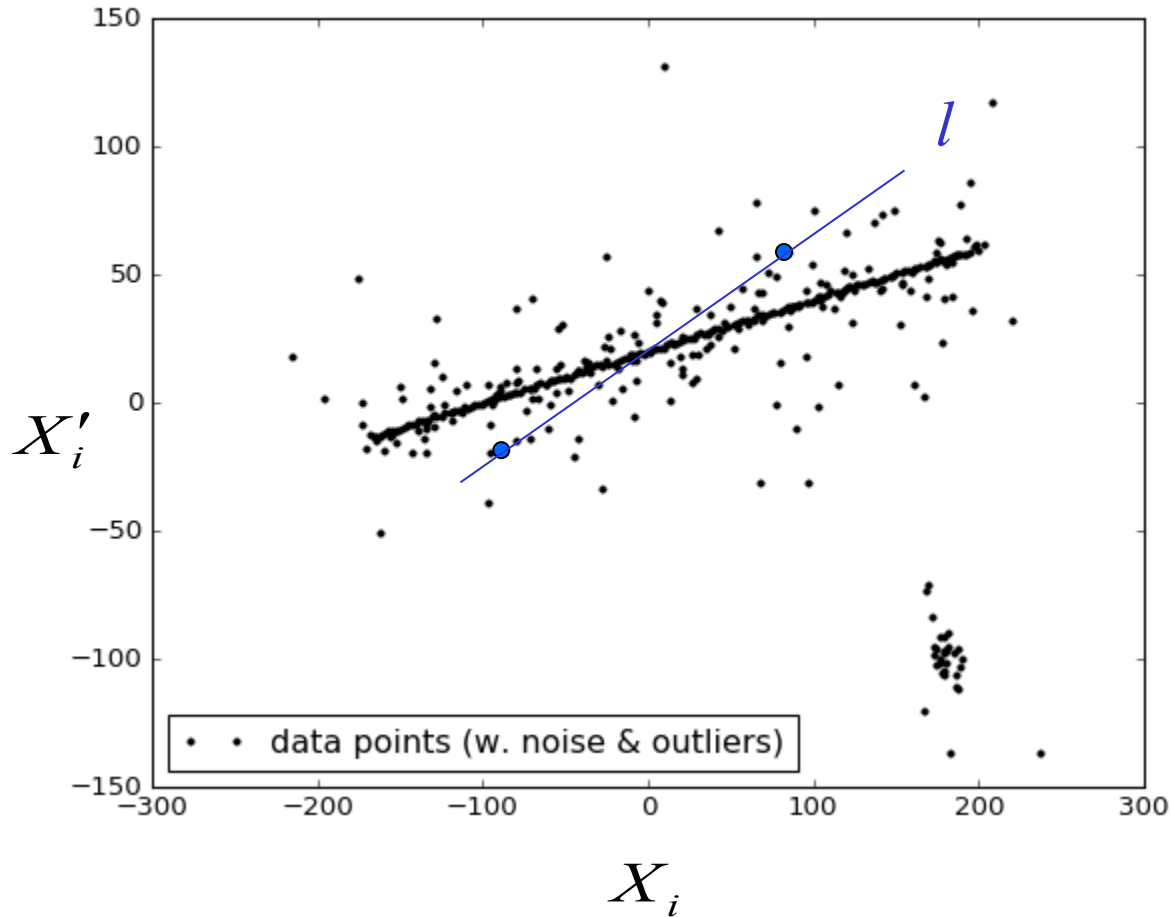
**RANSAC**

*random sampling  
consensus*

[Fischler and Bolles, 1981]

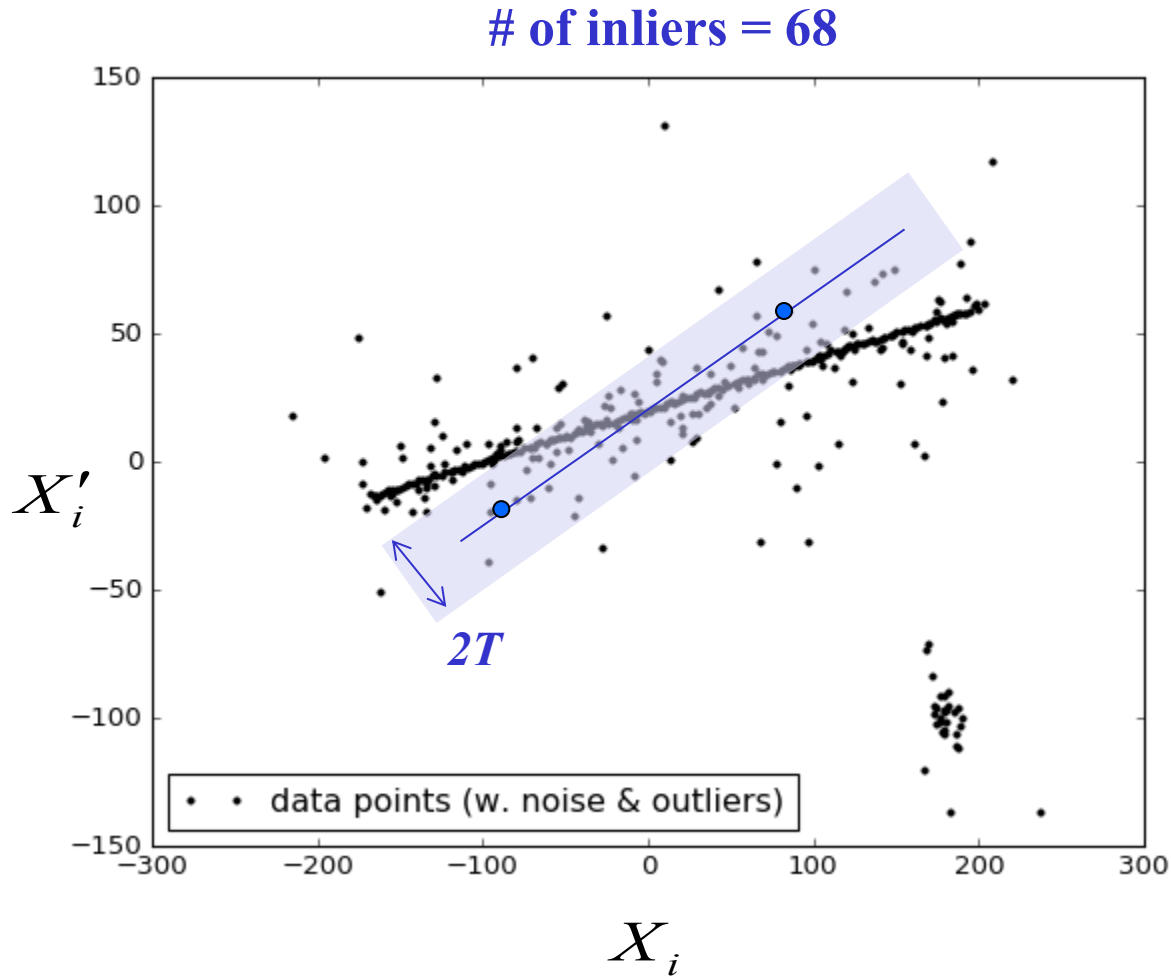
# RANSAC (for line fitting example)

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1. randomly sample  
two points from the set,  
get a line

# RANSAC (for line fitting example)



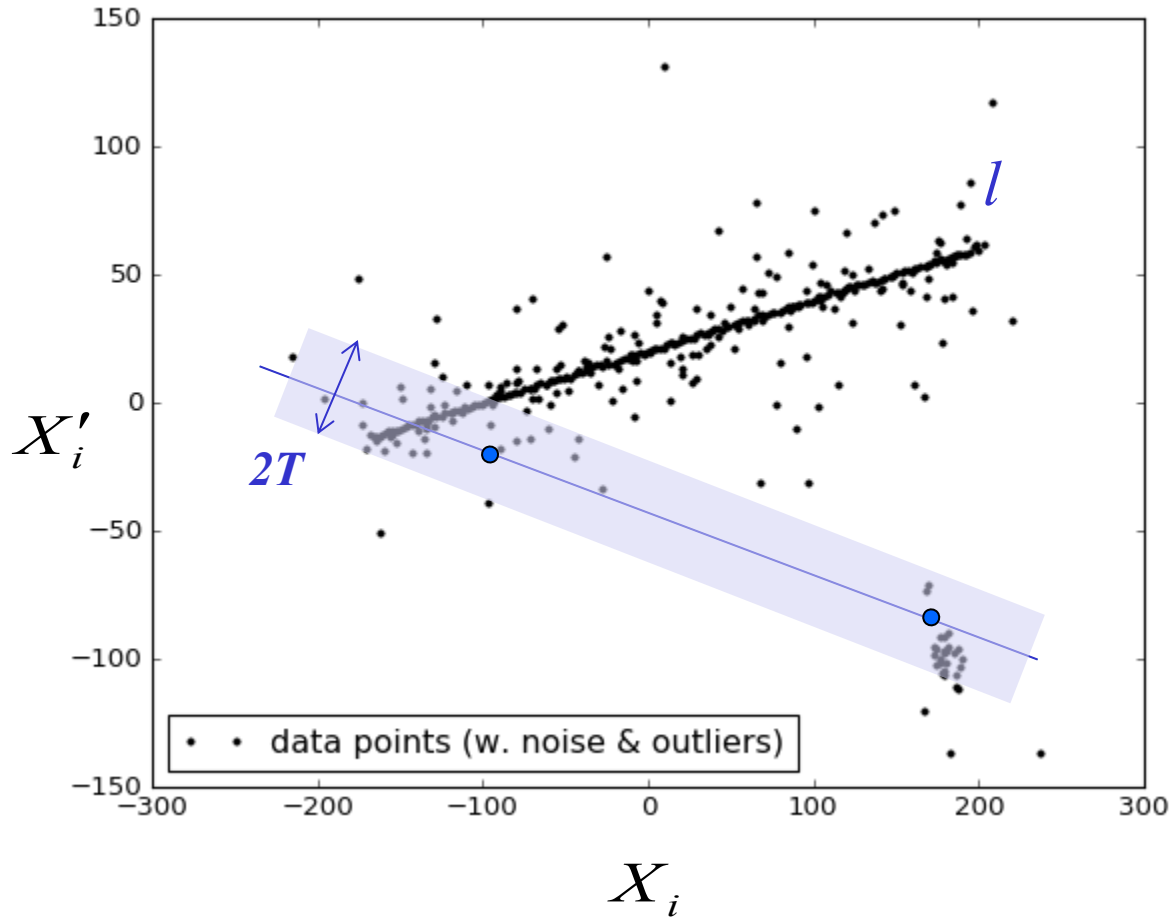
1. randomly sample **two points** from the set, get a **line**

2. count **inliers**  $p$  for **threshold**  $T$

$$\|p - l\| \leq T$$

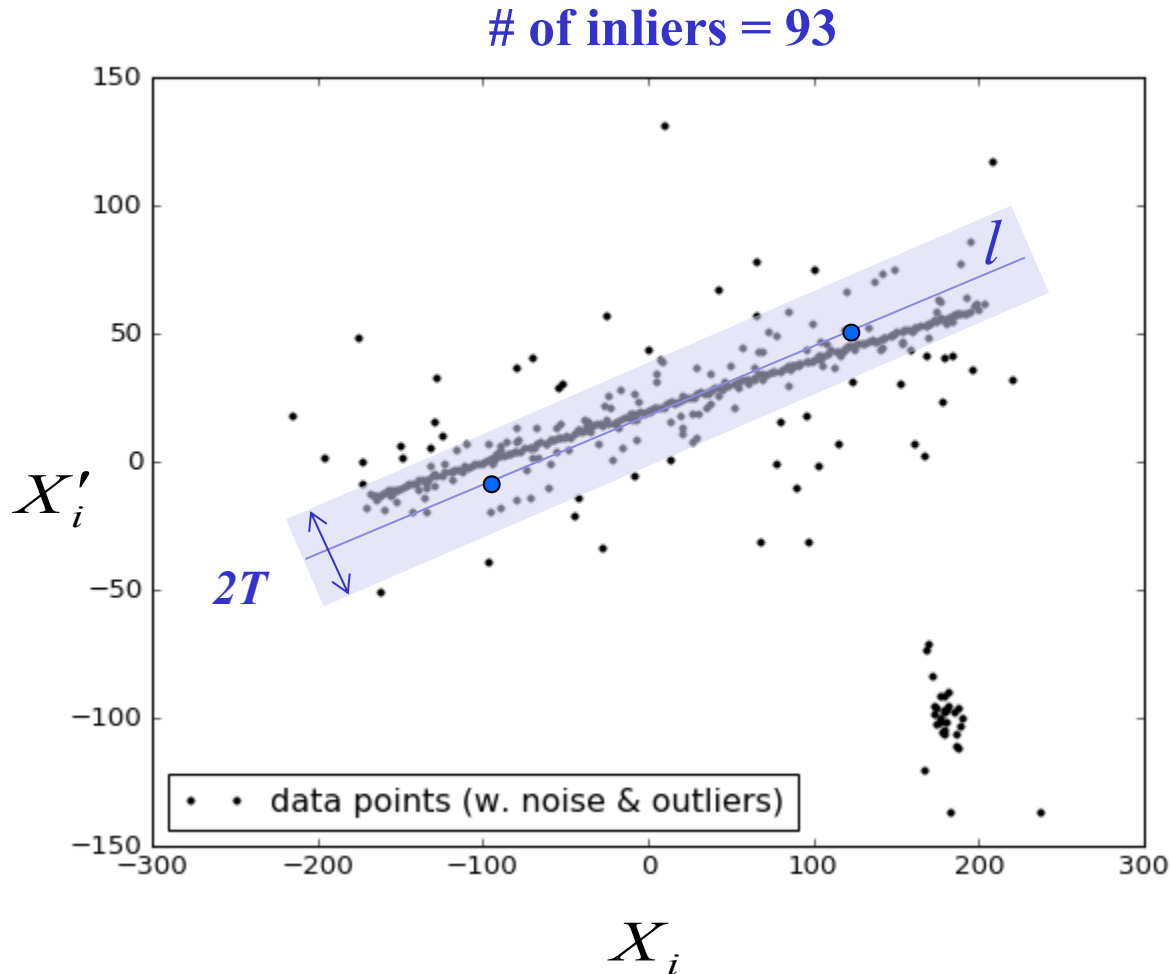
# RANSAC (for line fitting example)

# of inliers = 24



1. randomly sample **two points** from the set, get a **line**
2. count **inliers**  $p$  for **threshold**  $T$   
 $\|p - l\| \leq T$
3. repeat

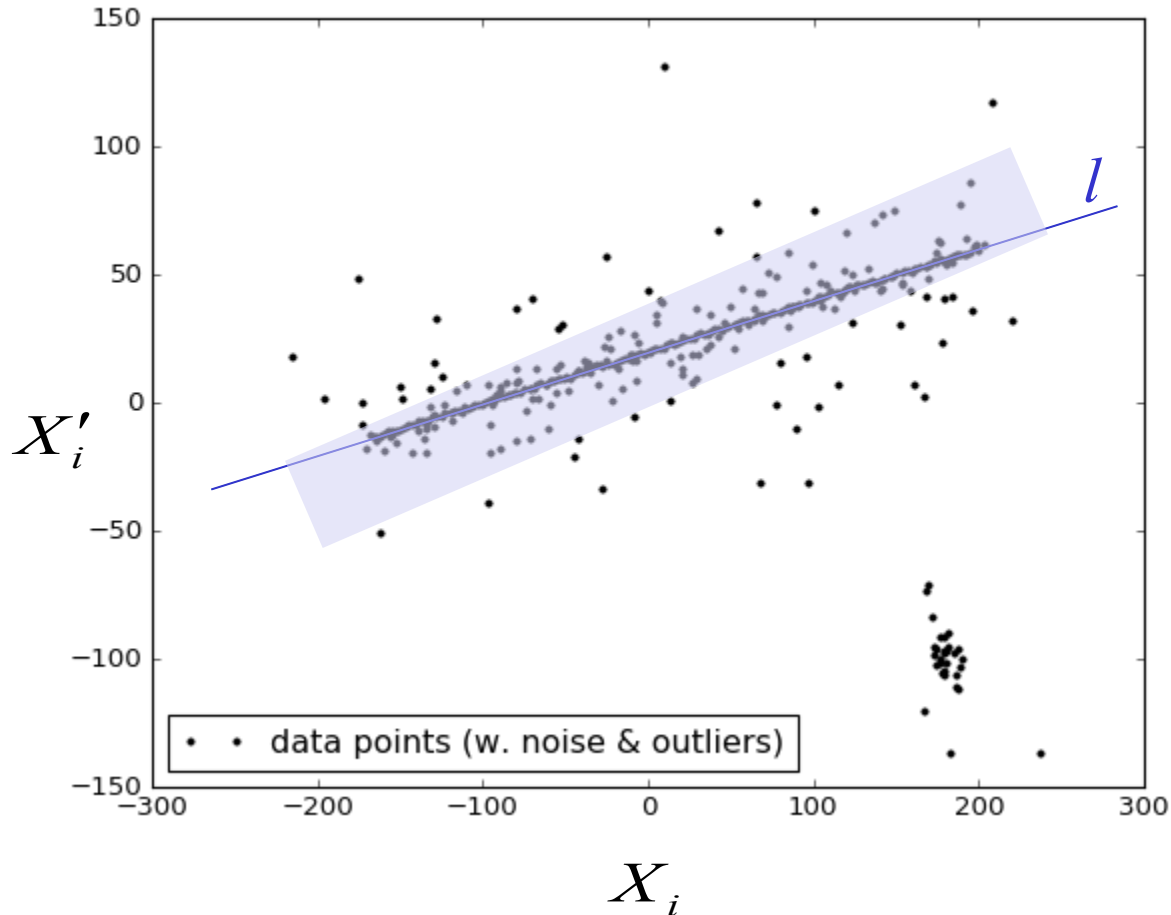
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3. repeat **N times** and select model with **most inliers**

# RANSAC (for line fitting example)

# of inliers = 93



1. randomly sample **two points** from the set, get a **line**

2. count **inliers**  $p$  for **threshold**  $T$

$$\| p - l \| \leq T$$

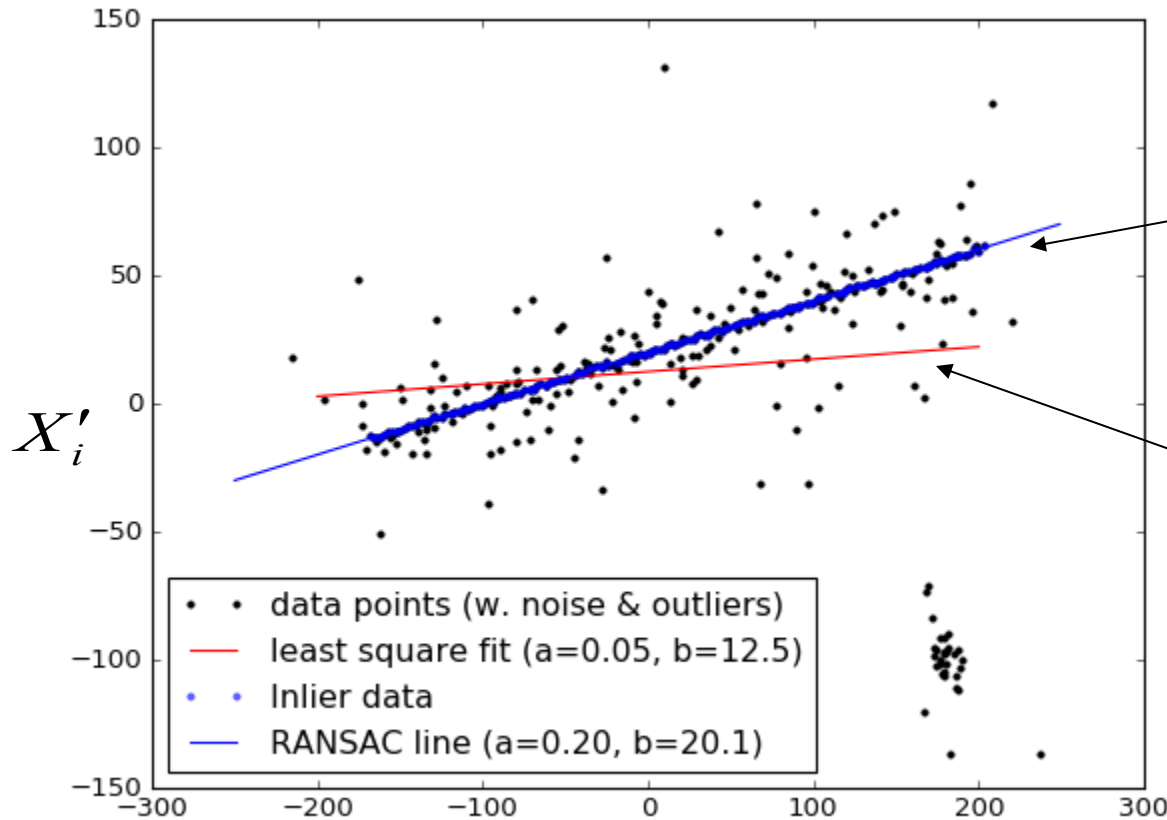
3. repeat **N** times and select model with **most inliers**

4. Use *least squares* to fit a model (line) to this **largest set of inliers**

**Q:** Assume know percentage of outliers in the data.

How many pairs of points ( $N$ ) should be sampled to have high confidence (e.g. 95%) that at least one pair are both inliers? [Fischler and Bolles, 1981]

# RANSAC (for line fitting example)



**line model**  
**reliably estimated**  
**via RANSAC with**  
**only  $N=10$  samples**  
(least squares fit to the  
largest set of inliers)

**least squares**  
**line model**  
**fit to all points**

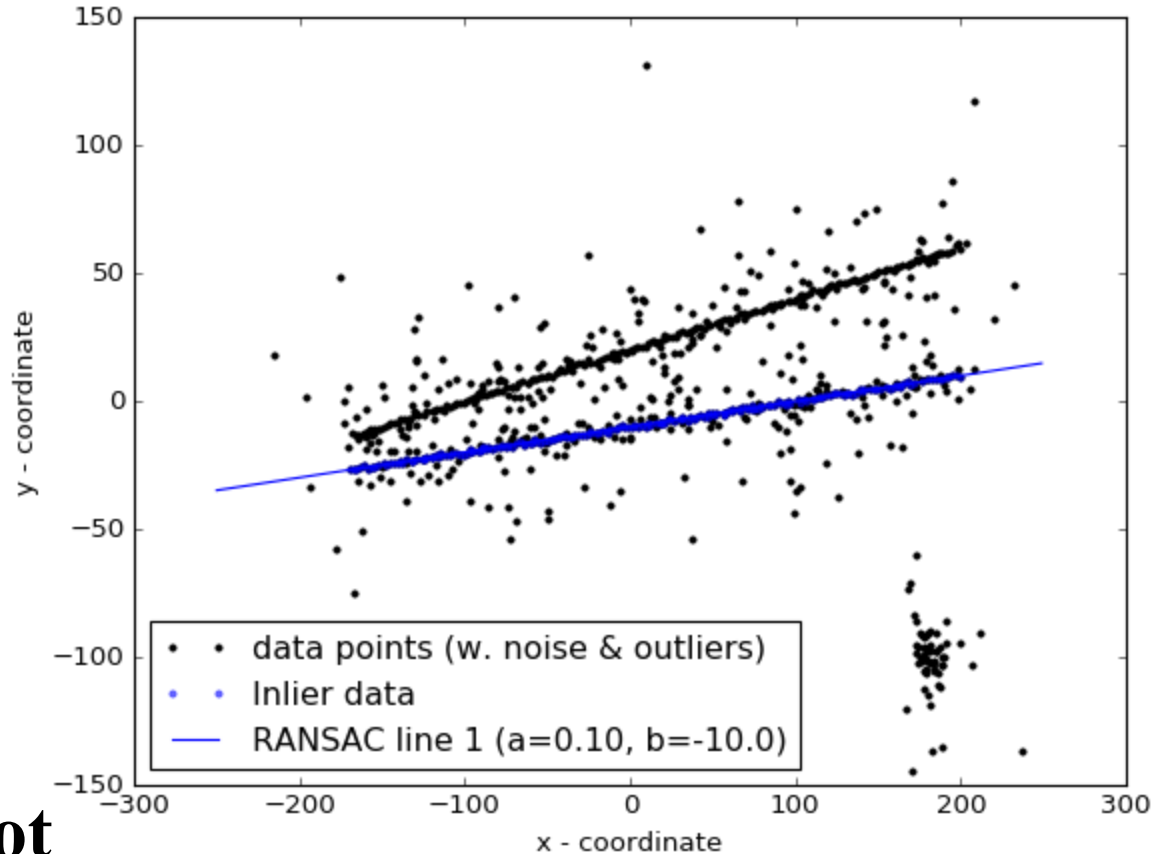
$X_i$  (similar math as in statistical analysis of RANSAC success rate)

**Birthday Paradox:** in a group of random 23 people the probability that at least two have same birthday is 50.7%



# So, how do we find multiple models?

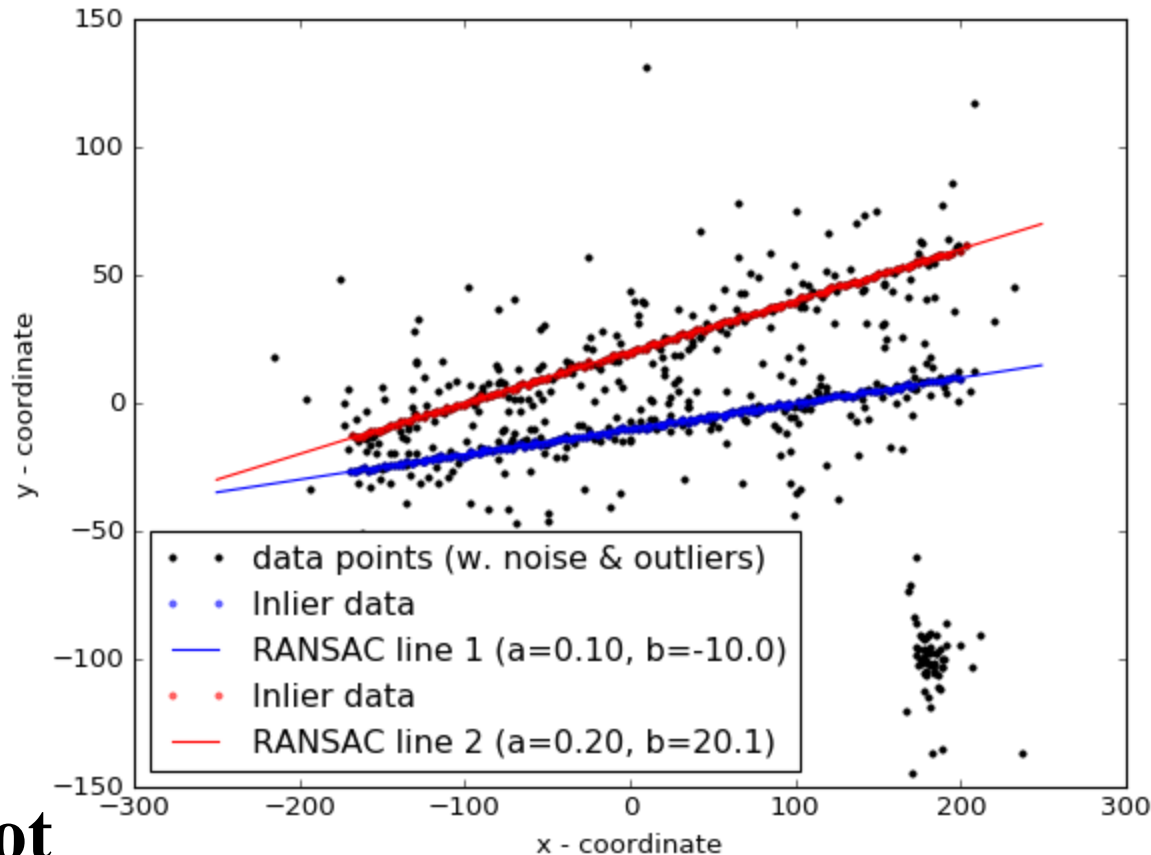
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**Why not**  
**RANSAC**  
**again?**

# So, how do we find multiple models?

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Why not  
**RANSAC**  
again?

remove inliers for line 1  
and use RANSAC again  
(**sequential RANSAC**)

# Homography from $N \geq 4$ points

Consider  $N$  point correspondences  $p_i = (x_i, y_i) \rightarrow p'_i = (x'_i, y'_i)$

$$\mathbf{p}'_i = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}_i \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0}} \quad (*)$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, N$

$\begin{matrix} 2N \times 9 & 9 \times 1 & 2N \times 1 \end{matrix}$   
over-constrained system

**Approach 1:** add constraint  $i=1$ . So, there are only 8 unknowns.

Set up a system of linear equations for vector of unknowns  $\mathbf{h}_{1:8} = [a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h]^T$

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{A}_{1:8} & \cdot & \mathbf{h}_{1:8} & = & \mathbf{B} & = & - & \mathbf{A}_9 \\ 2N \times 8 & & 8 \times 1 & & 2N \times 1 & & & 2N \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

solve

$$\boxed{\min_{\mathbf{h}_{1:8}} \|\mathbf{A}_{1:8} \mathbf{h}_{1:8} - \mathbf{B}\|^2} \quad (\textit{least-squares})$$

compute inverse for  $\mathbf{A}_{1:8}^T \mathbf{A}_{1:8}$  as in line fitting, then  $\mathbf{h}_{1:8} = (\mathbf{A}_{1:8}^T \cdot \mathbf{A}_{1:8})^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{1:8}^T \cdot (-\mathbf{A}_9)$

# Homography from $N \geq 4$ points

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Consider  $N$  point correspondences  $p_i = (x_i, y_i) \rightarrow p'_i = (x'_i, y'_i)$

$$\mathbf{p}'_i = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}_i$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, N$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0}} \quad (*)$$

$\begin{matrix} 2N \times 9 & 9 \times 1 & 2N \times 1 \end{matrix}$   
over-constrained system

*Approach 2:* add constraint  $\|\mathbf{h}\|=1$

solve

$$\min_{\mathbf{h}: \|\mathbf{h}\|=1} \|\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{h}\|$$

*(homogeneous least-squares)*

**Solution:** (unit) eigenvector of  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$   
corresponding to the smallest eigen-value  
(use SVD, see next slide)

DLT method  
(see p.91  
in Hartley and  
Zisserman)

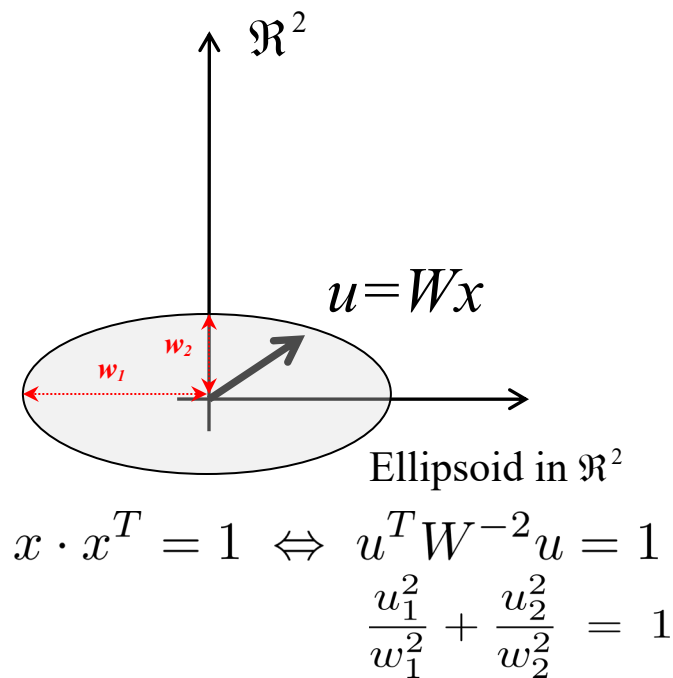
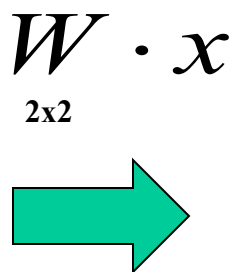
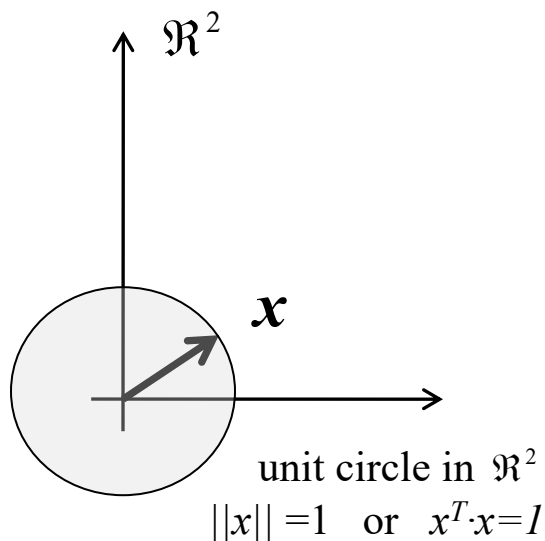
# Simple motivating example:

Consider 2x2 diagonal matrix

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**solve:**

$$\min_{x: \|x\|=1} \|W \cdot x\|$$



**Solution:**  $x = (1,0)$  if  $w_1 < w_2$   
 $x = (0,1)$  if  $w_2 < w_1$

$\Leftrightarrow$  equivalently, solve  $\min_{u \in \text{Ellips}} \|u\|$

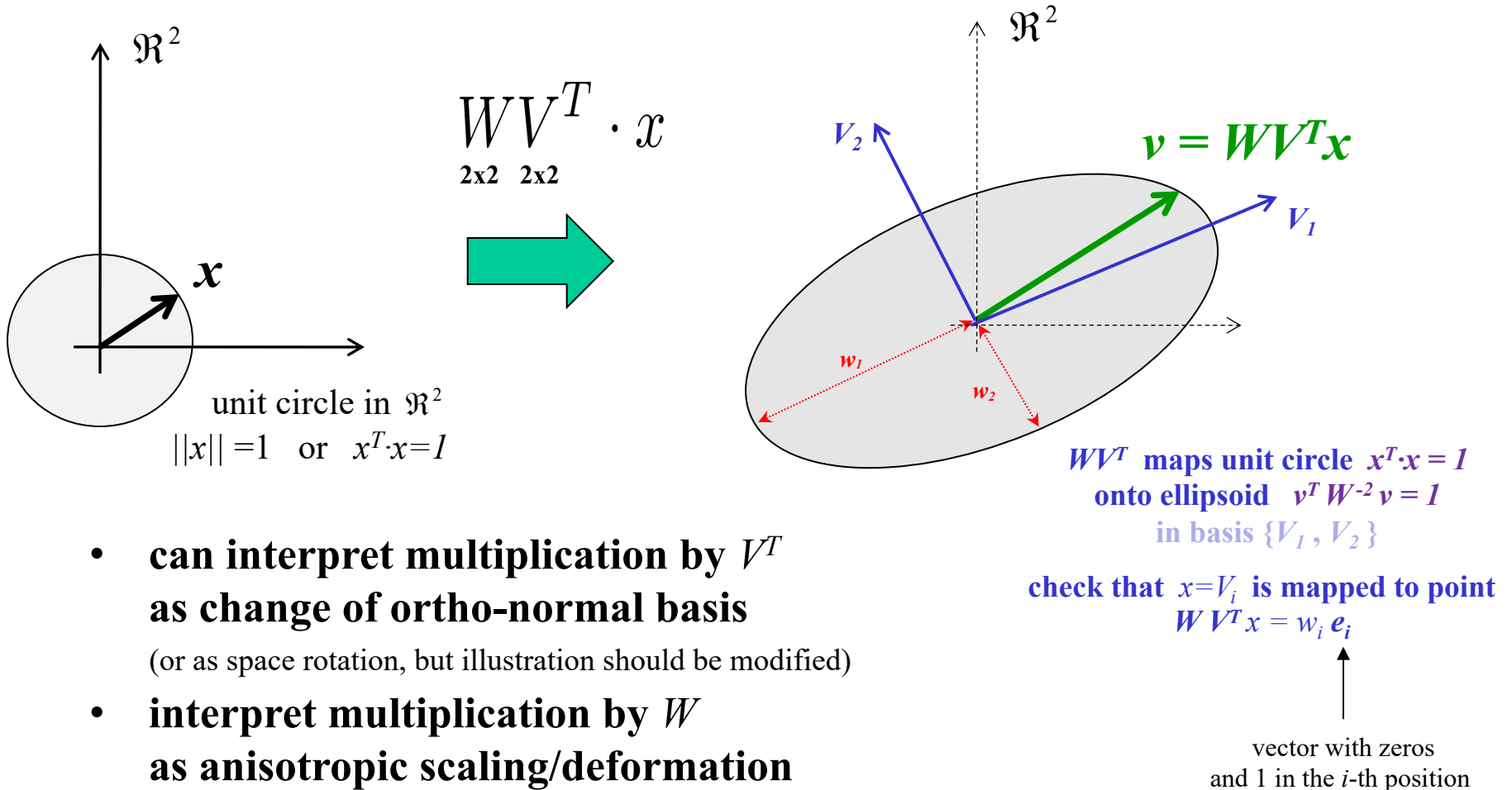
# General case: use SVD (rough idea)

$$A = U \cdot W \cdot V^T$$

$M \geq N$ :       $M \times N$        $M \times N$        $N \times N$        $N \times N$

*embed*      *scale*      *rotate*

where  $U$  and  $V$  are matrices with ortho-normal columns and  $W$  is diagonal with elements  $w_i \geq 0$  (see “Numerical Recipes in C”, edition 2, Sec. 2.6)



- can interpret multiplication by  $V^T$  as change of ortho-normal basis (or as space rotation, but illustration should be modified)
- interpret multiplication by  $W$  as anisotropic scaling/deformation

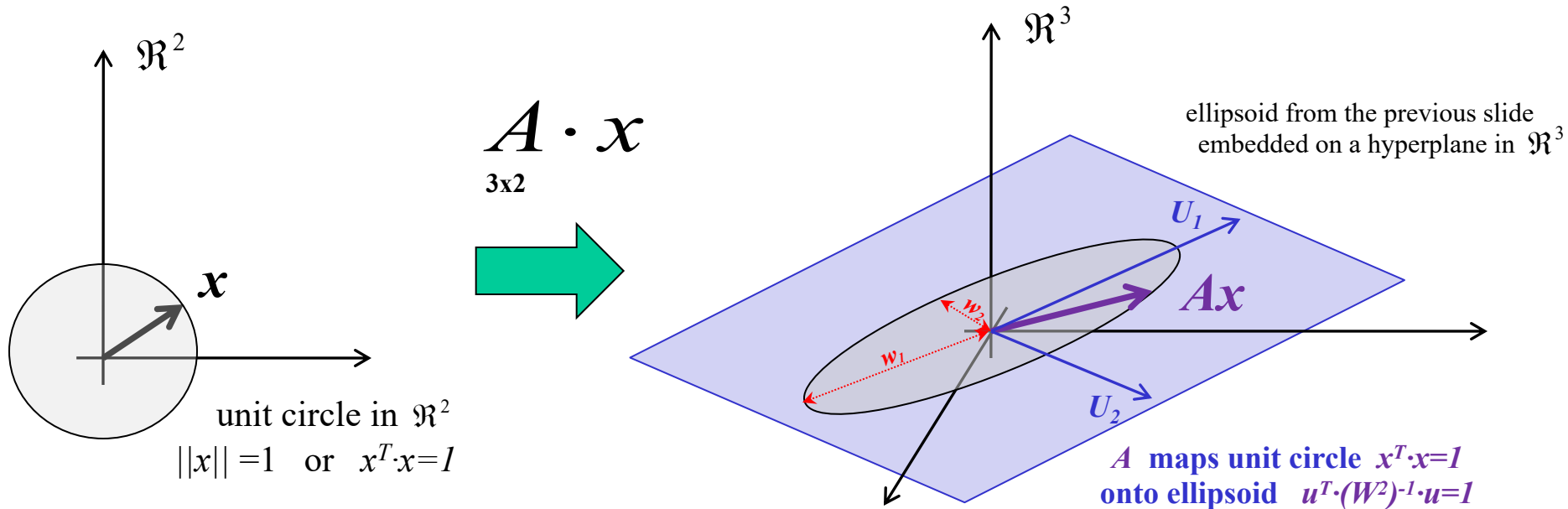
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**How does SVD help to solve**  $\min_{x: \|x\|=1} \|A \cdot x\|$  ?

Indeed, the coordinates of vector  $u$  are in basis  $\{U_1, U_2\}$ , i.e.  $u = WV^T \cdot x$  and  $x = VW^{-1} \cdot u$

$$A \cdot V_i = U W V^T \cdot V_i = U W \cdot e_i = w_i \cdot (U \cdot e_i) = w_i \cdot U_i \quad \Rightarrow \quad \|A \cdot V_i\| = w_i$$

**vector  $x=V_i$  corresponding to the least  $w_i$  solves the problem**

Check that  $V_i$  and  $(w_i)^2$  are eigen vectors/values for matrix  $A^T A$  (note: ellipsoid  $x^T \cdot (A^T A) \cdot x = 1$  maps onto circle  $u^T \cdot u = 1$ )

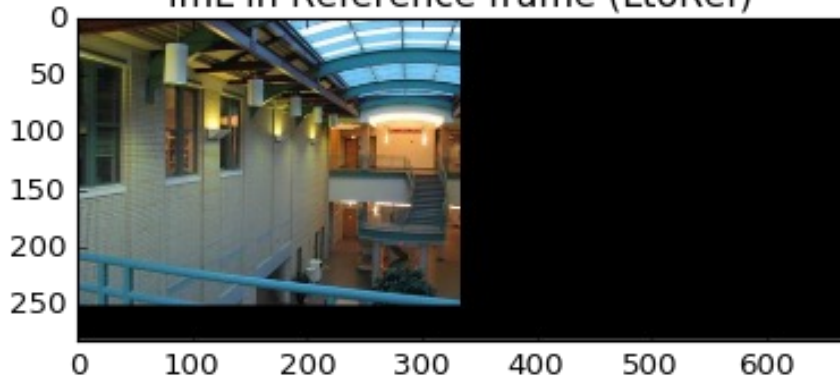
$$A^T A \cdot V_i = V W^2 V^T \cdot V_i = V W^2 \cdot e_i = w_i^2 \cdot V_i \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{can use eigen decomposition of } A^T A \text{ instead of SVD of } A.$$

# Least squares fail in presence of outliers

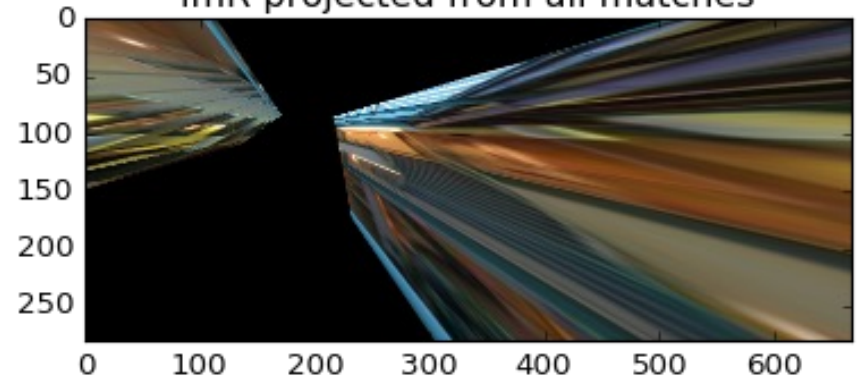
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imL in Reference frame (LtoRef)



imR projected from all matches





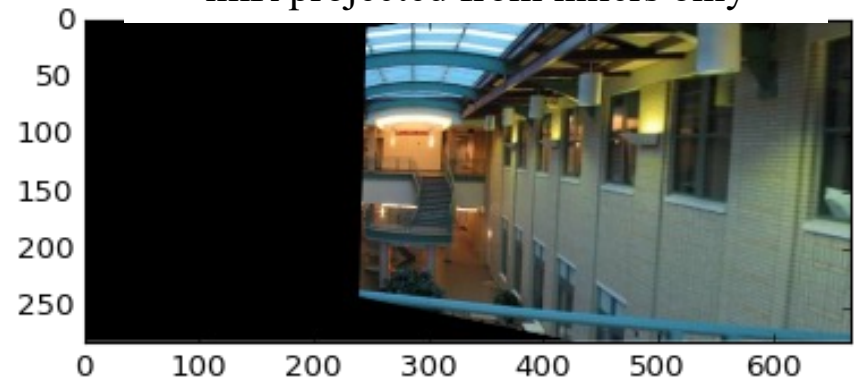
# Least squares work if using “inliers” only ( detecting these? – soon )



imL in Reference frame (LtoRef)



imR projected from inliers only



# Least squares work if using “inliers” only ( detecting these? – soon )



larger errors in the area with no matches



after blending

“algebraic errors”  
we minimized

$$\begin{aligned} ax + by + c - gxx' - hyx' - ix' &\approx 0 \\ dx + ey + f - gxy' - hyy' - iy' &\approx 0 \end{aligned}$$

“geometric errors”  
observable in the image

$$x' - \frac{ax + by + c}{gx + hy + i} \approx 0$$

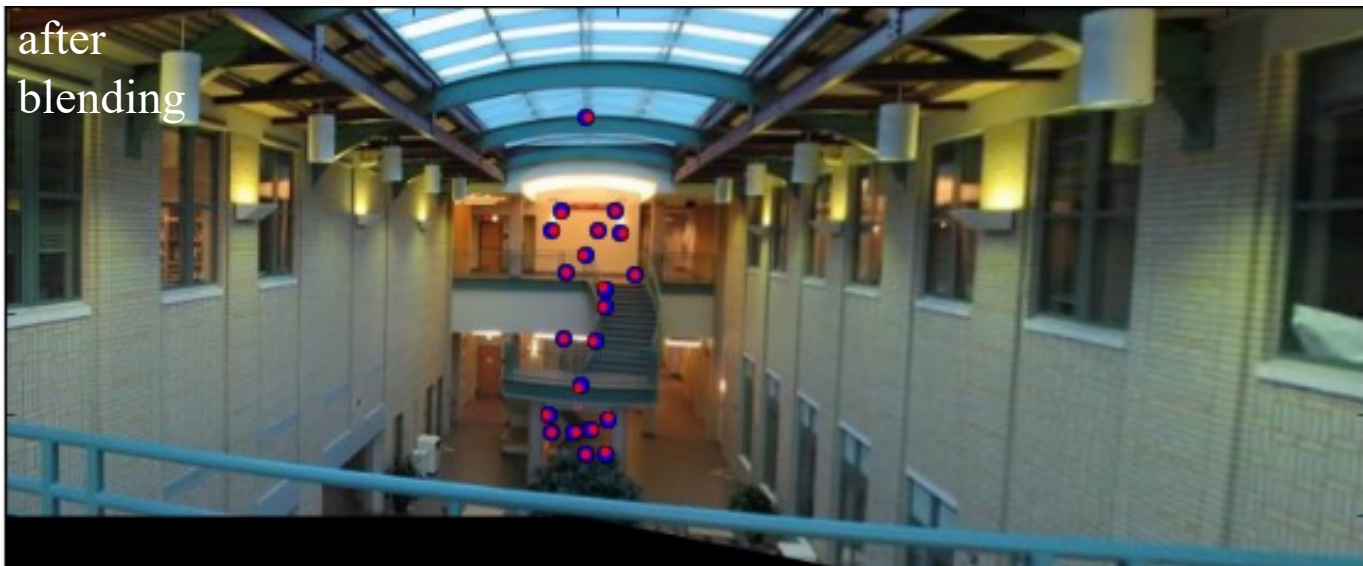
$$y' - \frac{dx + ey + f}{gx + hy + i} \approx 0$$

(harder to minimize)

“errors”  
among inliers  $\|p' - Hp\|$

Did we actually minimize these errors?

Least squares work  
if using “inliers” only ( detecting these? – soon )



**Question: how to remove outliers automatically?**

# RANSAC for robust homography fitting

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**only two differences:**

1. need to randomly sample four pairs  $(p, p')$   
the minimum number of matches to estimate a homography  $H$

2. pair  $(p, p')$  counts as an **inlier** for a given homography  $H$  if

$$\| p' - Hp \| \leq T$$

# RANSAC for robust homography fitting

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Homography for corrupted four matches is likely to have only a few inliers  $(p, p')$



**(randomly sampled)**

$$\| p' - Hp \| \leq T$$

# RANSAC for robust homography fitting

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Homography for good four matches has 21 inliers  $(p, p')$

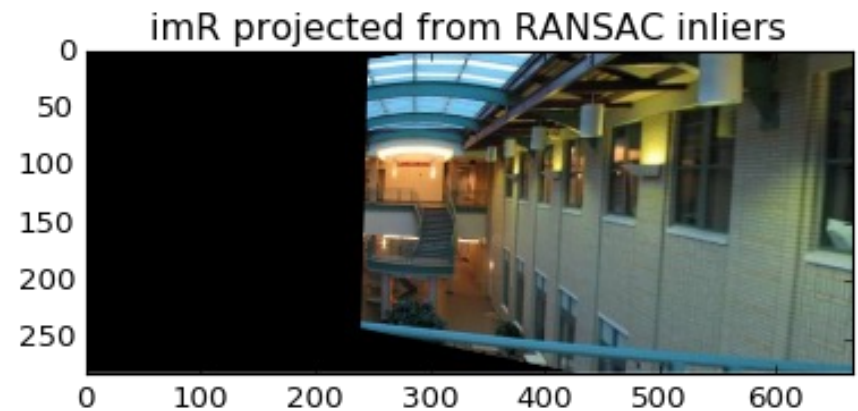
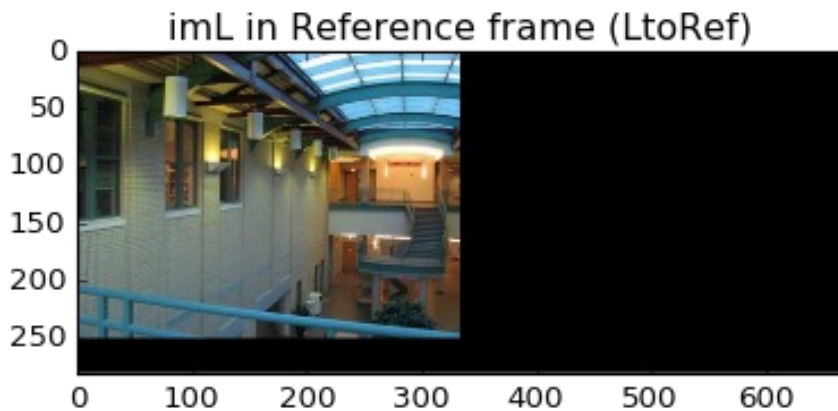
$$\| p' - Hp \| \leq T$$

**(randomly sampled)**

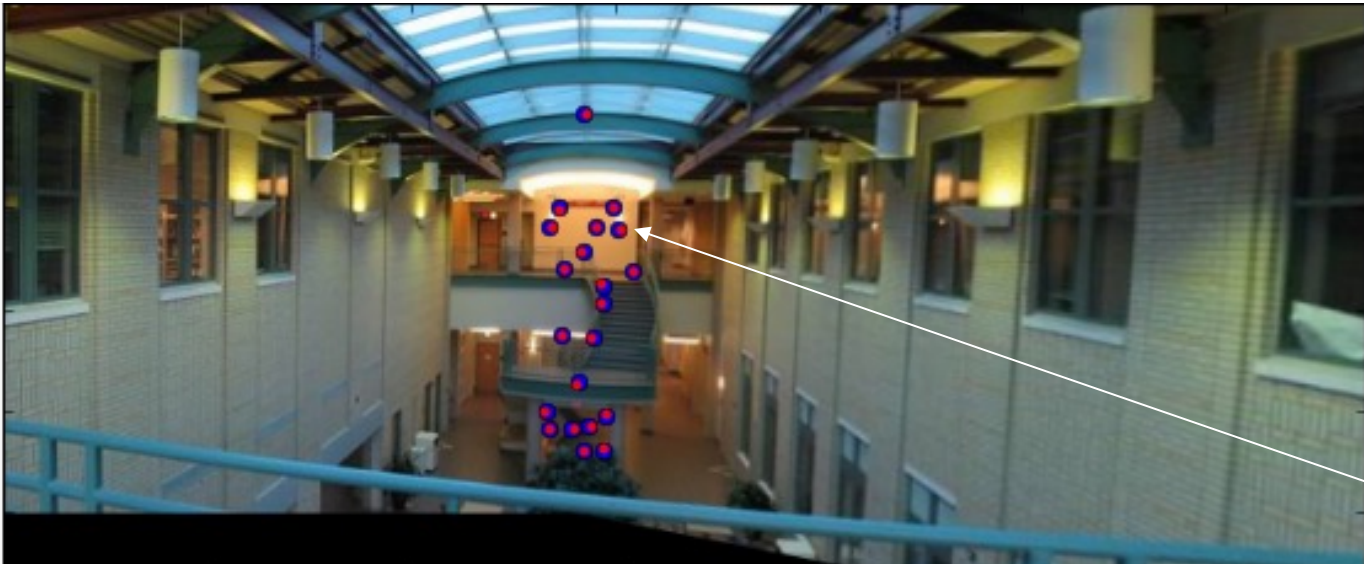
# RANSAC for robust homography fitting



**Inliers for the randomly sampled homography with the largest inlier set**



# RANSAC for robust homography fitting



matched  
inliers  
 $\| p' - Hp \|$

**The final automatic panorama result**



# RANSAC for robust model fitting

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**In general (for other models):  
always sample the smallest number  
of points/matches needed to estimate a model**

RANSAC loop:

1. Select four feature pairs (at random)
2. Compute homography  $H$  (exact)
3. Count *inliers*  $(p, p')$  where  $\|p' - Hp\| \leq T$   
e.g. geometric errors
4. Iterate  $N$  times (steps 1-3). Keep the largest set of inliers.
5. Re-compute least-squares  $H$  estimate on all of the inliers  
e.g. for algebraic errors  
(for simplicity)

# Other examples of geometric model fitting

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images from different view points (optical centers)



## Merton College III data

from Oxford's Visual Geometry Group

<http://www.robots.ox.ac.uk/~vgg/data/data-mview.html>

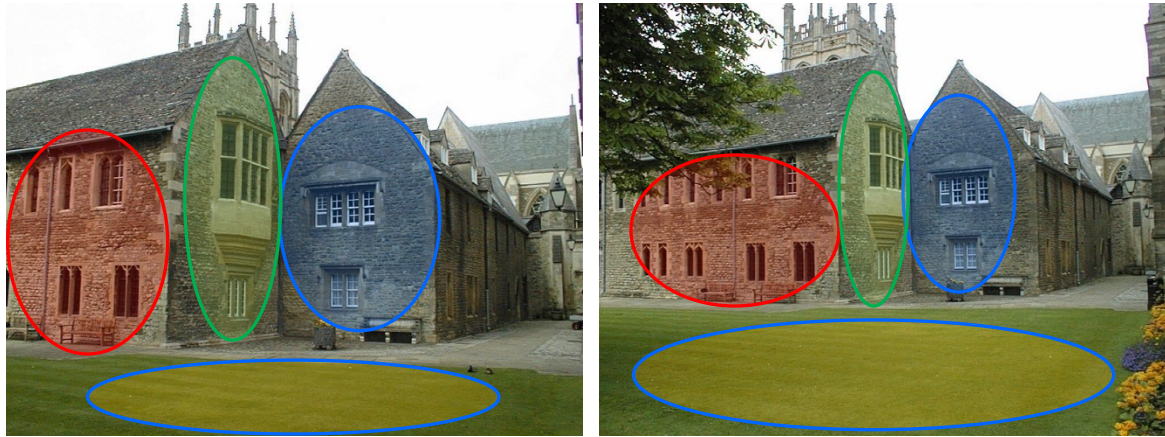
**Question:** Is it possible to create a panorama from these images?  
(or, is there a *homography* that can match overlap in these images?)

Can a *homography* map/warp **a part** of the left image onto **a part** of the right image?

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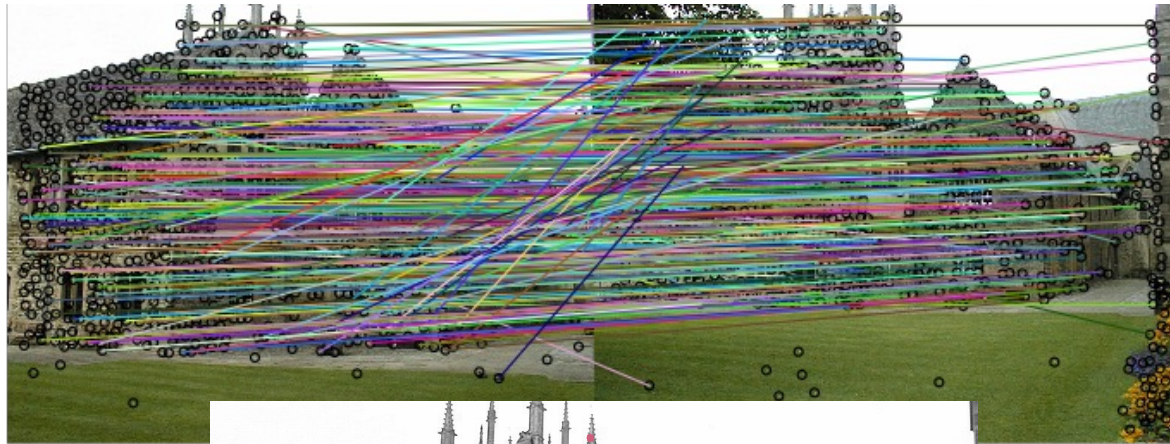
There should be a *homography* for each plane in the scene (Why?)

**Question:** How can we detect such *homographies*?

**What do these multiple *homographies* give us?**

# Other examples of geometric model fitting

matched features  $(p, p')$ , as earlier



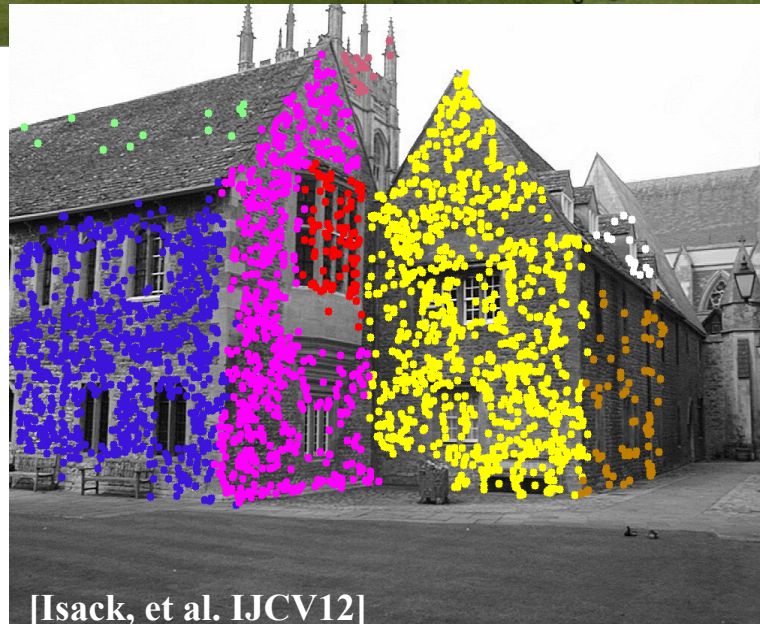
NOTE:  
good matches can be used  
for reconstructing 3D points  
if camera positions &  
orientations are known:

$$(p, p') \rightarrow X_p \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

(Triangulation, see next topic)

1. Allow to remove  
bad matches (outliers)

2. Correspondences  
can be estimated with  
subpixel precision  
 $(p, p') \rightarrow (p, Hp)$



3. Inliers allow to segment  
planar regions

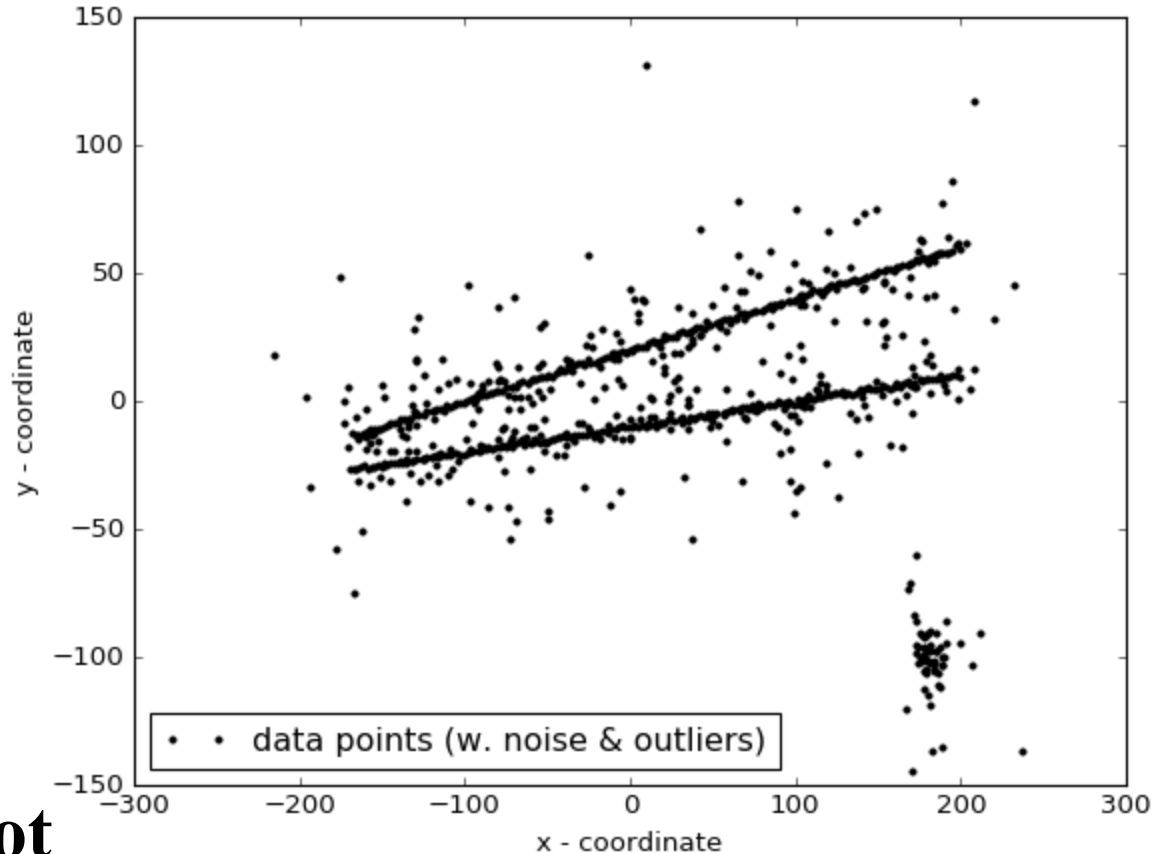
4. Segmentation allows to  
extend correspondence  
from inliers to any point  $p$   
inside segment:  $(p, Hp)$

5. Piece-wise planar  
3D scene reconstruction

**What do these multiple *homographies* give us?**

# So, how do we find multiple models?

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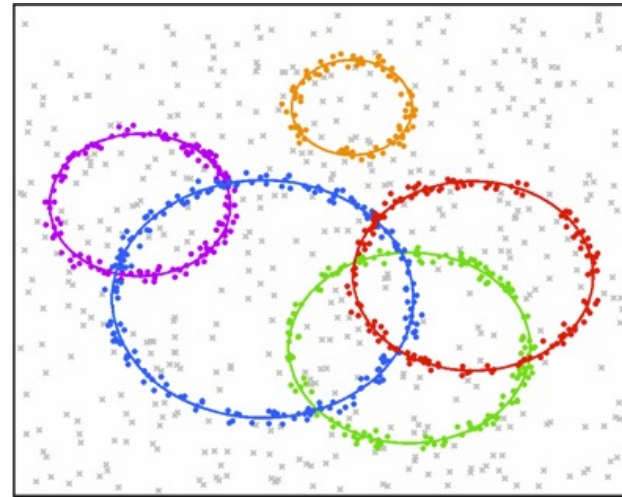
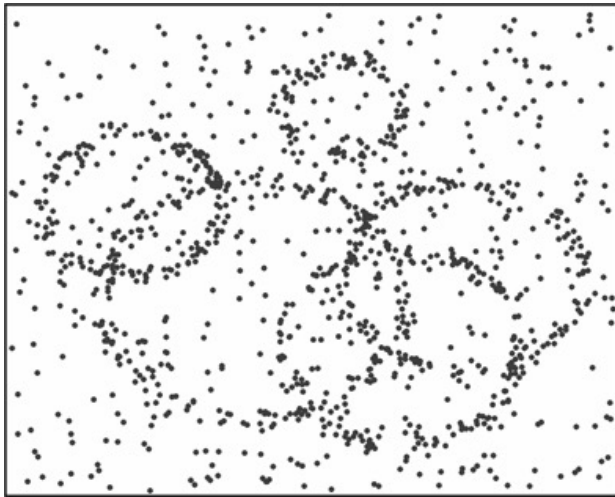


**Why not**  
**RANSAC**  
**again?**

# Fitting other geometric models

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$$\|p - \theta\| := \left( (x_p - c_x)^2 - (y_p - c_y)^2 - r^2 \right)^2 \quad \text{for } \theta = \{c_x, c_y, r\}$$



## Model fitting for arbitrary geometric models $\theta$

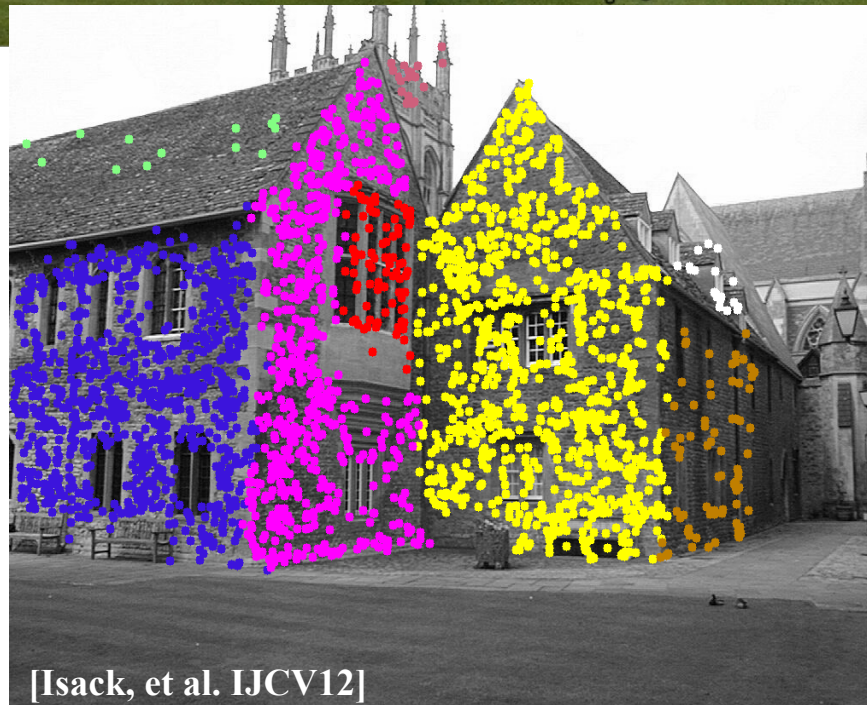
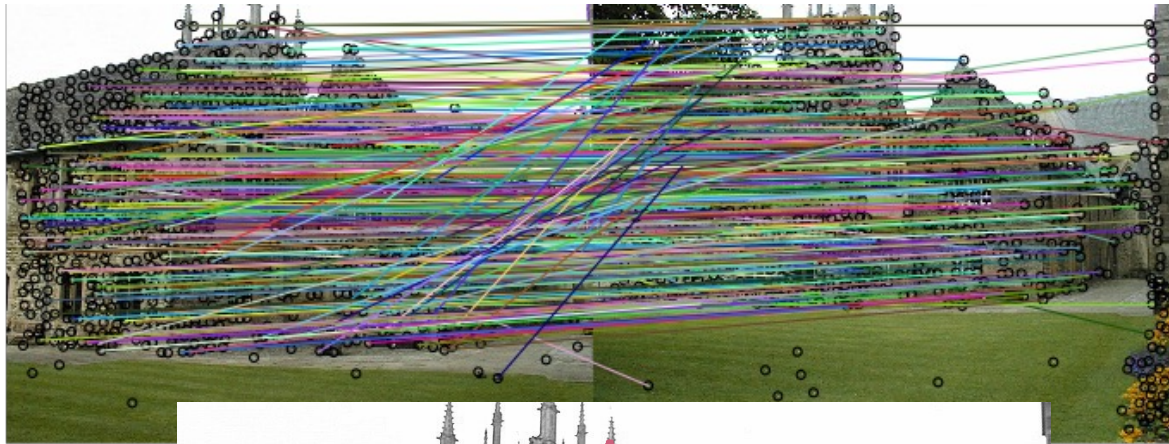
**Need:** 1) define an error measure w.r.t. model parameters  $\|p - \theta\|$

2) efficient method for minimizing the sum of errors among inliers w.r.t. model parameters  $\theta$

$$\min_{\theta} \sum_{p \in S_{\theta}} \|p - \theta\|$$

# Fitting multiple homographies (e.g. planes)

matched features  $(p, p')$ , as earlier



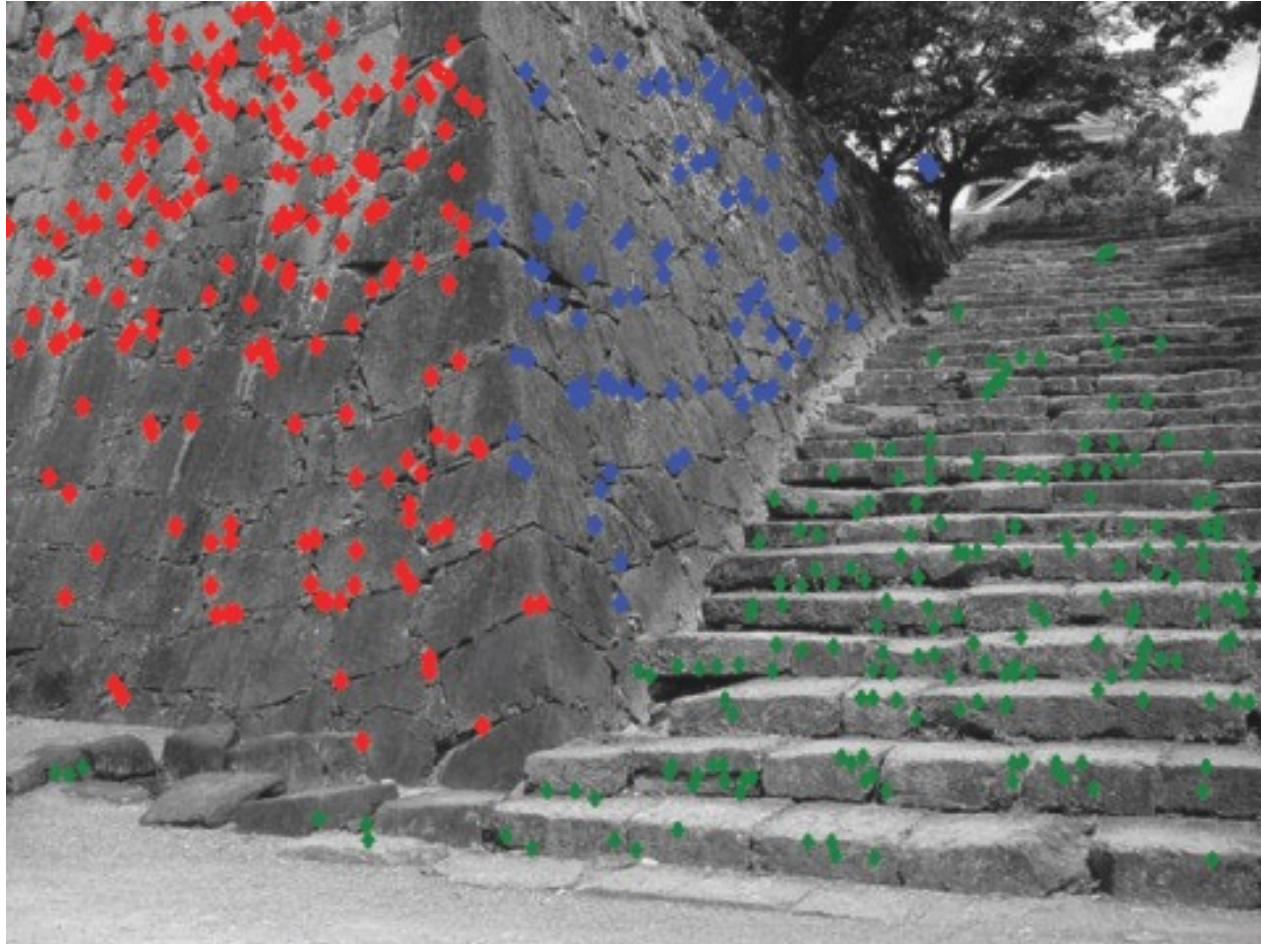
using  
**symmetric**  
**re-projection errors**

$$\| p' - Hp \| + \| p - H^{-1} p' \|$$

as an error measure  
between match  $(p, p')$   
and homography  $H$

# Fitting multiple homographies (e.g. planes)

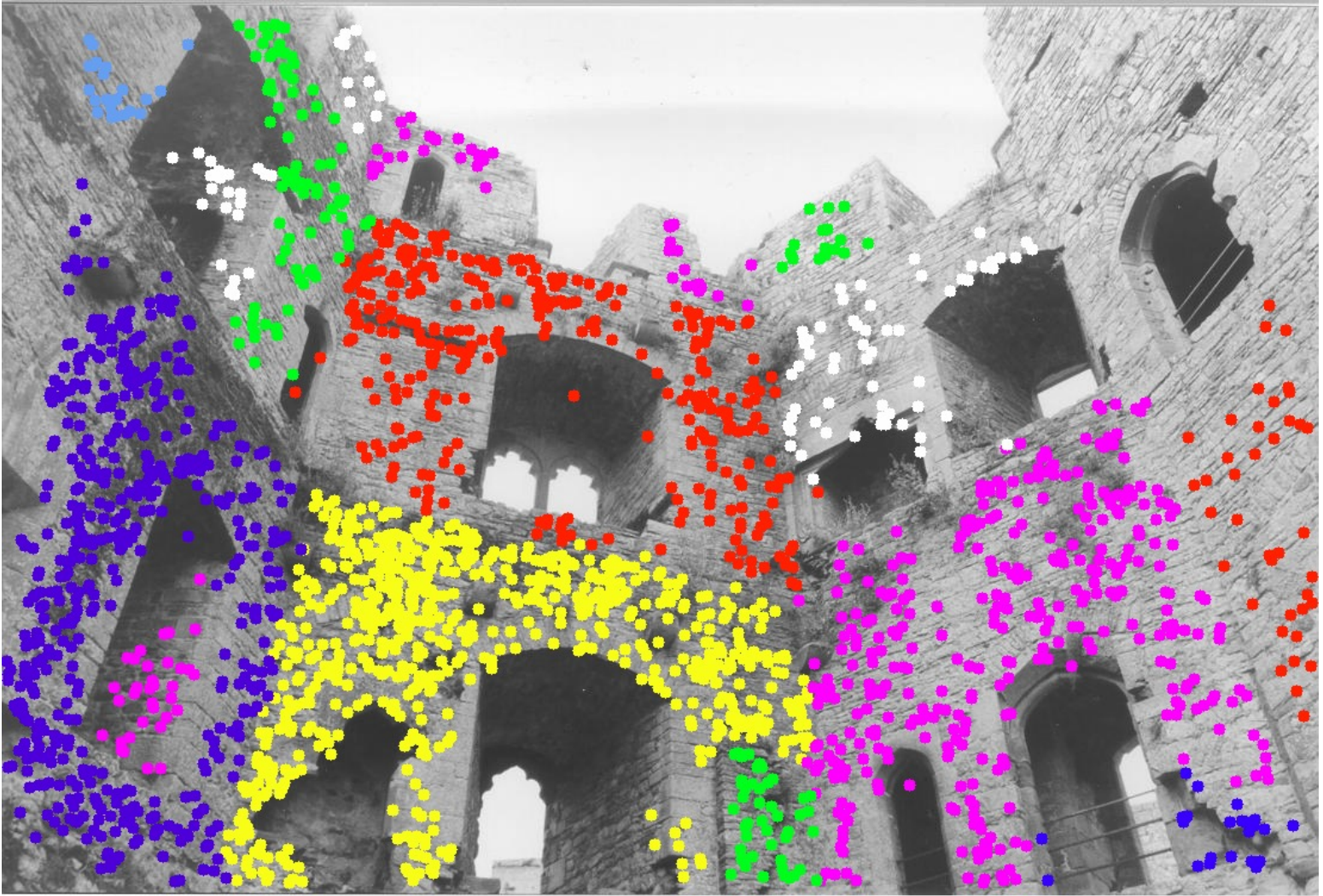
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# Fitting multiple homographies (e.g. planes)

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same scene from a different view point...

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**Note very small steps between each floor**

# Geometric model fitting in vision

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**MODELS:** lines, planes, homographies, affine transformations, projection matrices, fundamental/essential matrices, etc.

next topic

- single models (e.g. panorama stitching, camera projection matrix)
- multiple models (e.g. multi-plane reconstruction, multiple rigid motion)

**FIRST STEP:** detect some features (corners, LOGS, etc)  
and compute their descriptors (SIFT, MOPS, etc.)

**SECOND STEP:** match or track

**THIRD STEP:** fit models  
(minimization of errors/losses)