

Optical Flow & Tracking

brightness constancy, motion estimation, image alignment, & tracking



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Announcements

- HW 3 due on Nov 20

Course Overview



Overview

- review
 - camera models & calibration
 - two-view geometry
 - structure from motion
 - NeRF
- optical flow
 - brightness constancy
 - Lucas-Kanade (constant flow)
 - Horn-Schunk (smooth flow)
- motion magnification
- image alignment & tracking

The pinhole camera matrix

More compactly, we can write the pinhole camera matrix as:

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t}]$$

where

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2D Euclidean transform

intrinsic parameters

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & r_2 & r_3 \\ r_4 & r_5 & r_6 \\ r_7 & r_8 & r_9 \end{bmatrix}$$

3D rotation

$$\mathbf{t} = -\mathbf{R}\tilde{\mathbf{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \\ t_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

3D translation

extrinsic parameters

Geometric camera calibration

Given a set of matched points

$$\{\mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{x}_i\}$$

point in 3D
space

point in the
image

and camera model

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}$$

projection
model

parameters

Camera
matrix

Find the (pose) estimate of

P
o

We'll use a **perspective** camera
model for pose estimation

How can we make these relations linear?

$$x' = \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^\top \mathbf{X}}{\mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X}} \quad y' = \frac{\mathbf{p}_2^\top \mathbf{X}}{\mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X}}$$

Make them linear with algebraic manipulation...

$$\mathbf{p}_2^\top \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} y' = 0$$

$$\mathbf{p}_1^\top \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{p}_3^\top \mathbf{X} x' = 0$$

Now we can setup a system of linear equations
with multiple point correspondences

Decomposition of the Camera Matrix

$$\mathbf{P} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} p_1 & p_2 & p_3 & p_4 \\ p_5 & p_6 & p_7 & p_8 \\ p_9 & p_{10} & p_{11} & p_{12} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P} &= \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R}|\mathbf{t}] \\ &= \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R} | -\mathbf{R}\mathbf{c}] \\ &= [\mathbf{M} | -\mathbf{M}\mathbf{c}] \end{aligned}$$

Find the camera center \mathbf{C}

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}$$

SVD of P!

\mathbf{c} is the Eigenvector corresponding to smallest Eigenvalue

Find intrinsic \mathbf{K} and rotation \mathbf{R}

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}$$

QR decomposition

Triangulation

Given a set of (noisy) matched points

$$\{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}'_i\}$$

and camera matrices

$$\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{P}'$$

Estimate the 3D point

$$\mathbf{X}$$

Using the fact that the cross product should be zero

$$\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} yp_3^\top \mathbf{X} - p_2^\top \mathbf{X} \\ p_1^\top \mathbf{X} - xp_3^\top \mathbf{X} \\ xp_2^\top \mathbf{X} - yp_1^\top \mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Third line is a linear combination of the first and second lines.
(x times the first line plus y times the second line)

One 2D to 3D point correspondence give you 2 equations

Concatenate the 2D points from both images

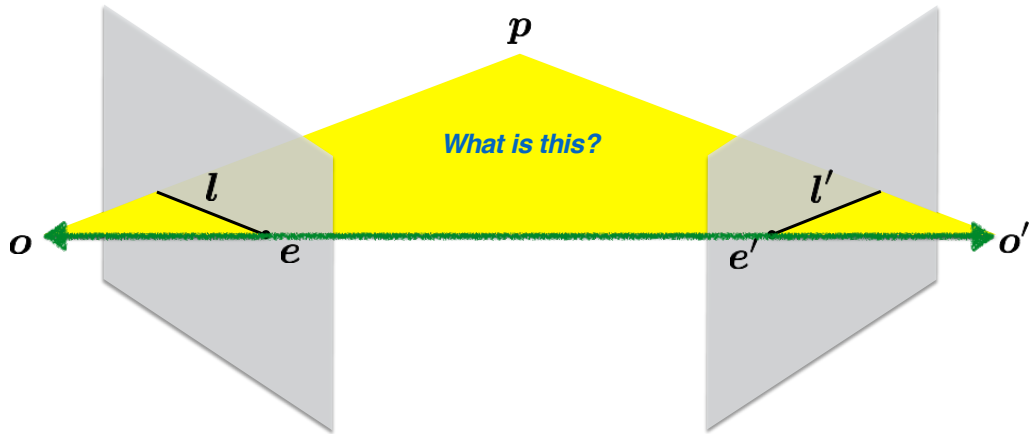
$$\begin{bmatrix} y\mathbf{p}_3^\top - \mathbf{p}_2^\top \\ \mathbf{p}_1^\top - x\mathbf{p}_3^\top \\ y'\mathbf{p}'_3{}^\top - \mathbf{p}'_2{}^\top \\ \mathbf{p}'_1{}^\top - x'\mathbf{p}'_3{}^\top \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

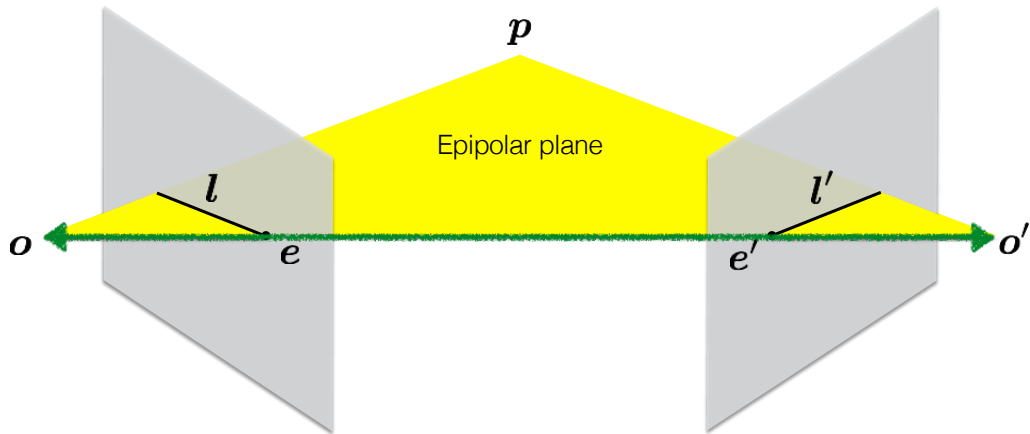
How do we solve homogeneous linear system?

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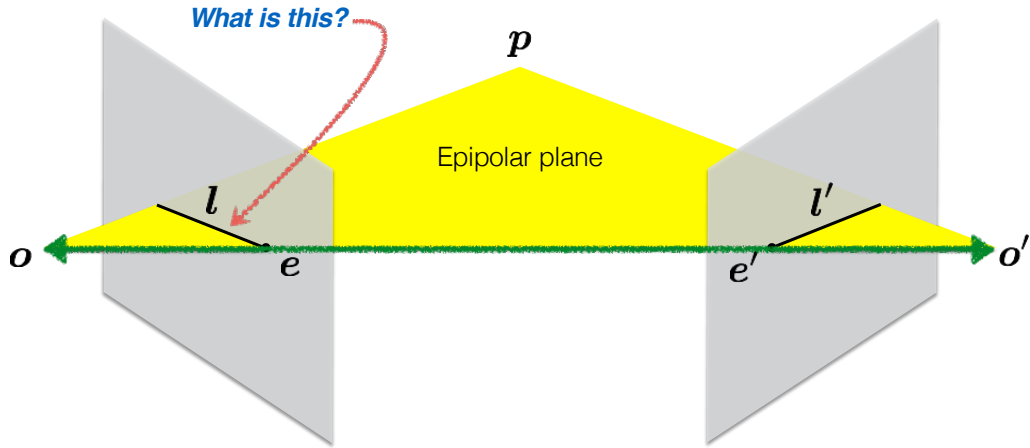
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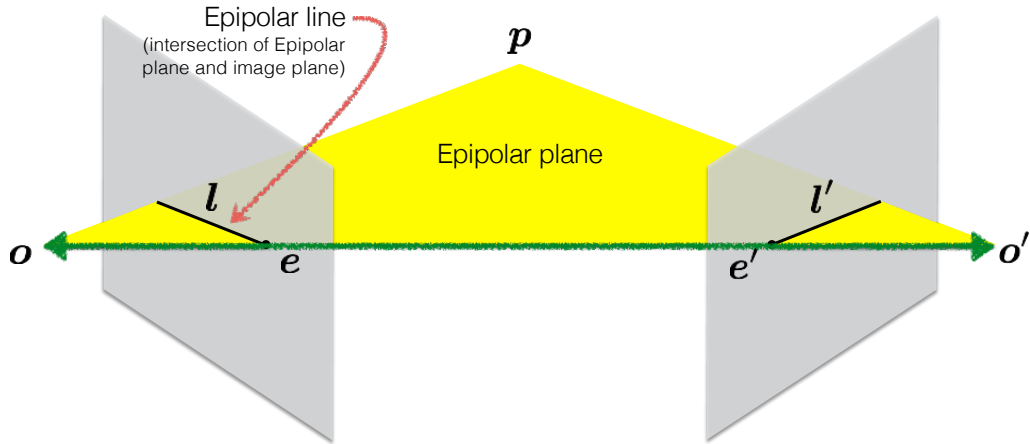
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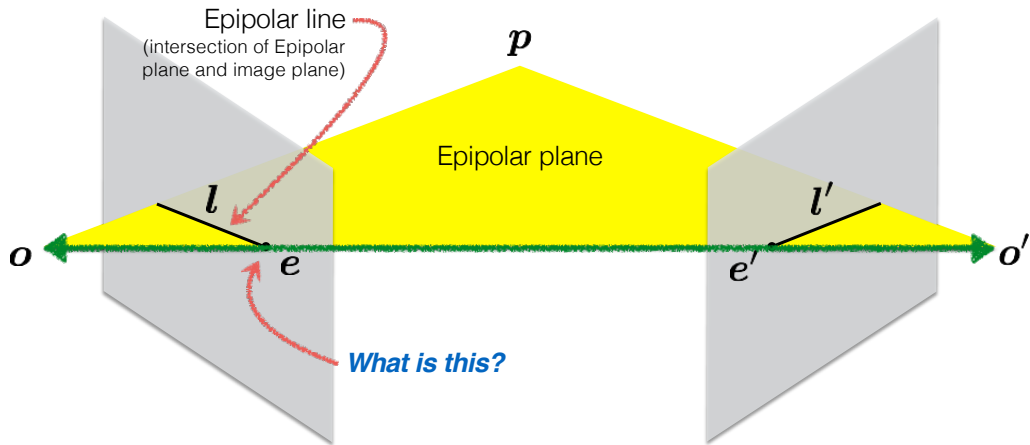
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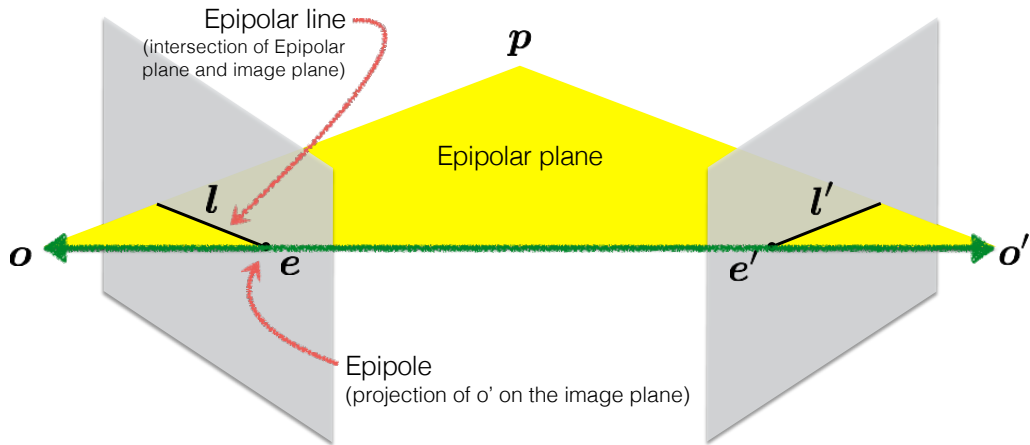
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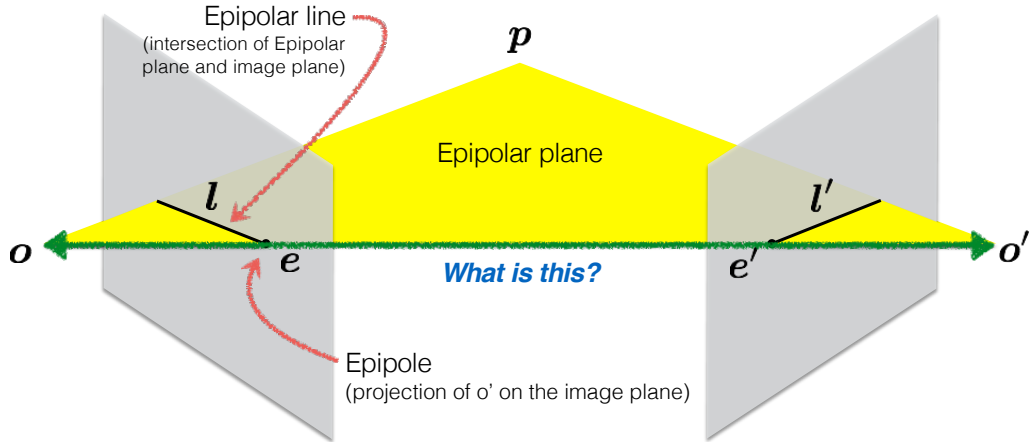
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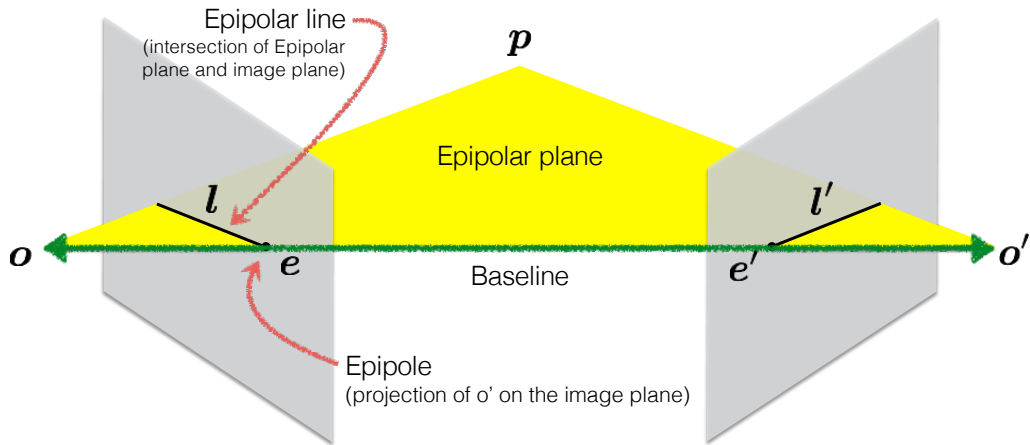
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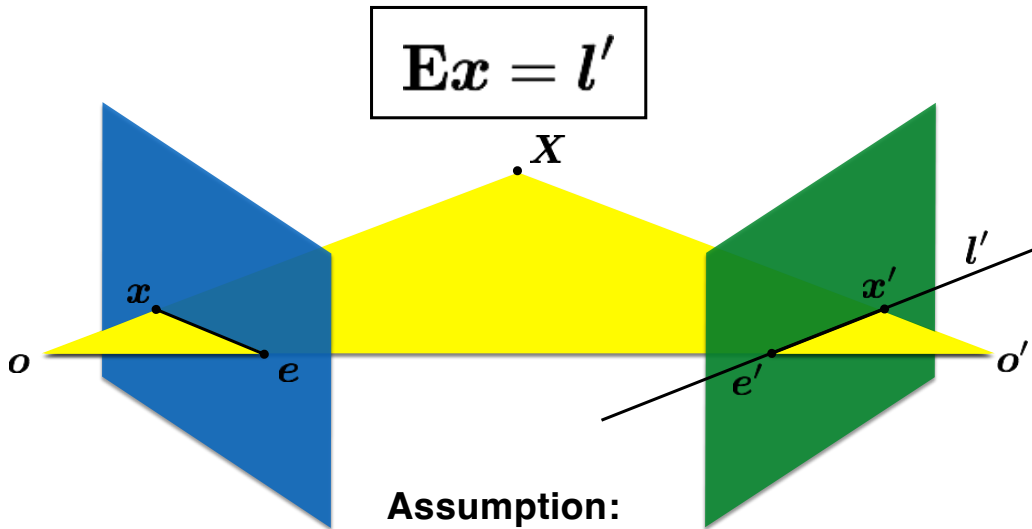
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Given a point in one image,
multiplying by the **essential matrix** will tell us
the **epipolar line** in the second view.



Assumption:

2D points expressed in camera coordinate system (i.e., intrinsic matrices are identities)

properties of the E matrix

Longuet-Higgins equation

$$\mathbf{x}'^{\top} \mathbf{E} \mathbf{x} = 0$$

Epipolar lines

$$\mathbf{x}^{\top} \mathbf{l} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{x}'^{\top} \mathbf{l}' = 0$$

$$\mathbf{l}' = \mathbf{E} \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{l} = \mathbf{E}^{\top} \mathbf{x}'$$

Epipoles

$$\mathbf{e}'^{\top} \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{E} \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{0}$$

(2D points expressed in camera coordinate system)

properties of the \mathbf{F}/\mathbf{E} matrix

Longuet-Higgins equation $\mathbf{x}'^\top \mathbf{E} \mathbf{x} = 0$

Epipolar lines $\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{l} = 0$ $\mathbf{x}'^\top \mathbf{l}' = 0$
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(points in **image** coordinates)

Eight-Point Algorithm

Assume you have M matched *image* points

$$\{\mathbf{x}_m, \mathbf{x}'_m\} \quad m = 1, \dots, M$$

Each correspondence should satisfy

$$\mathbf{x}'_m{}^\top \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}_m = 0$$

How would you solve for the 3 x 3 \mathbf{F} matrix?

Eight-Point Algorithm

0. (Normalize points)

1. Construct the $M \times 9$ matrix \mathbf{A}
2. Find the SVD of \mathbf{A}
3. Entries of \mathbf{F} are the elements of column of \mathbf{V} corresponding to the least singular value

4. (Enforce rank 2 constraint on \mathbf{F})

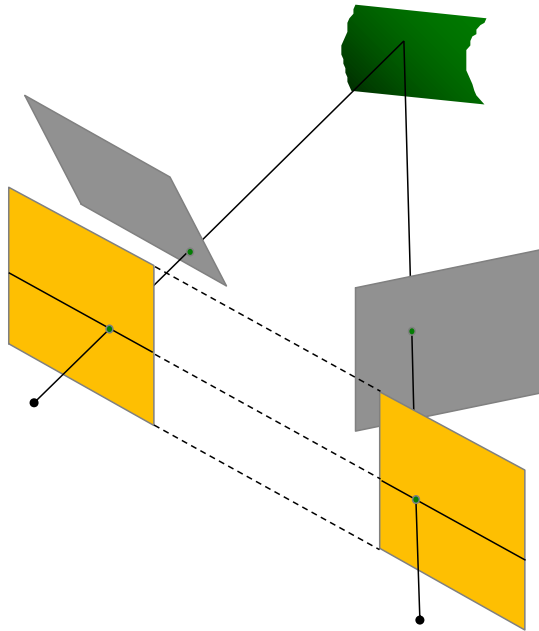
5. (Un-normalize \mathbf{F})

Stereo Rectification

1. **Rotate** the right camera by R
(aligns camera coordinate system orientation only)
2. Rotate (**rectify**) the left camera so that the epipole is at infinity
3. Rotate (**rectify**) the right camera so that the epipole is at infinity
4. Adjust the **scale**

What is stereo rectification?

Reproject image planes
onto a common plane
parallel to the line
between camera centers

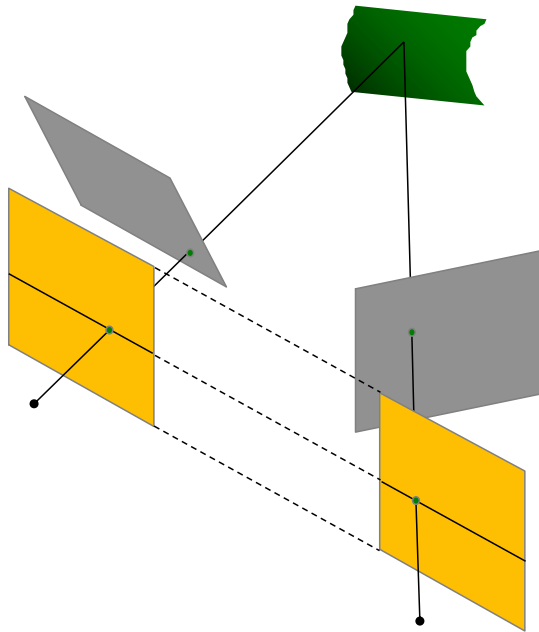


How can you do this?

What is stereo rectification?

Reproject image planes onto a common plane parallel to the line between camera centers

Need two homographies (3×3 transform), one for each input image reprojection



Reconstruction

(2 view structure from motion)

Given a set of matched points

$$\{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}'_i\}$$

Estimate the camera matrices

$$\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{P}'$$

'motion'
(of the cameras)

Estimate the 3D point

$$\mathbf{X}$$

'structure'

Two-view SfM

1. Compute the Fundamental Matrix \mathbf{F} from points correspondences

8-point algorithm

2. Compute the camera matrices \mathbf{P} from the Fundamental matrix

$$\mathbf{P} = [\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}] \text{ and } \mathbf{P}' = [[\mathbf{e}'_x] \mathbf{F} \mid \mathbf{e}']$$

3. For each point correspondence, compute the point \mathbf{X} in 3D space (triangulation)

Triangulation with $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}$ and $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{P}' \mathbf{X}$

Affine structure from motion

- Given: m images of n fixed 3D points:

$$\mathbf{x}_{ij} = \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{X}_j + \mathbf{b}_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$$

- Problem: use the mn correspondences \mathbf{x}_{ij} to estimate m projection matrices \mathbf{A}_i and translation vectors \mathbf{b}_i , and n points \mathbf{X}_j
- The reconstruction is defined up to an arbitrary *affine* transformation \mathbf{Q} (12 degrees of freedom):

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}^{-1}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}$$

- We have $2mn$ knowns — n measured 2D point locations in each of the m images
- $8m + 3n - 12$ unknowns — 8 affine transformations for each of the m images and n 3D points minus 12 dof for affine ambiguity

Algorithm summary

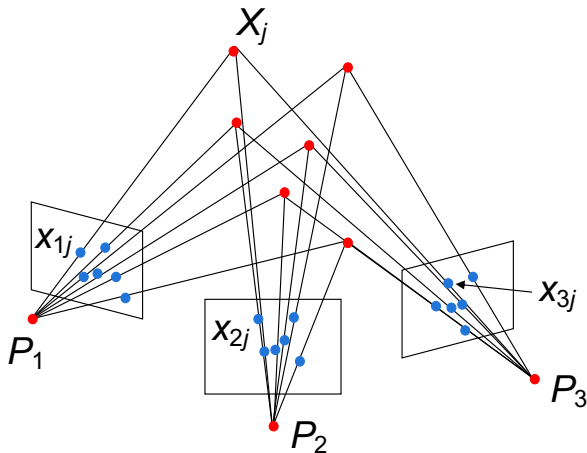
- Given: m images and n features \mathbf{x}_{ij}
- For each image i , center the feature coordinates
- Construct a $2m \times n$ measurement matrix \mathbf{D} :
 - Column j contains the projection of point j in all views
 - Row i contains one coordinate of the projections of all the n points in image i
- Factorize \mathbf{D} :
 - Compute SVD: $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{W} \mathbf{V}^T$
 - Create \mathbf{U}_3 by taking the first 3 columns of \mathbf{U}
 - Create \mathbf{V}_3 by taking the first 3 columns of \mathbf{V}
 - Create \mathbf{W}_3 by taking the upper left 3×3 block of \mathbf{W}
- Create the motion and shape matrices:
 - $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U}_3 \mathbf{W}_3^{1/2}$ and $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{W}_3^{1/2} \mathbf{V}_3^T$ (or $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U}_3$ and $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{W}_3 \mathbf{V}_3^T$)
- Eliminate affine ambiguity

Projective structure from motion

- Given: m images of n fixed 3D points

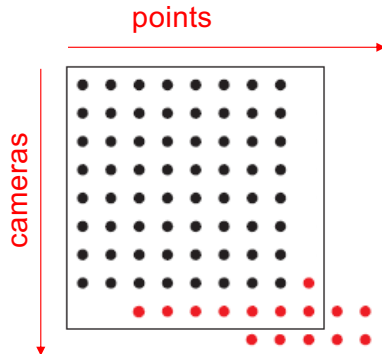
$$z_{ij} \mathbf{x}_{ij} = \mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{X}_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

- Problem: estimate m projection matrices \mathbf{P}_i and n 3D points \mathbf{X}_j from the mn correspondences \mathbf{x}_{ij}



Sequential structure from motion

- Initialize motion from two images using fundamental matrix
- Initialize structure by triangulation
- For each additional view:
 - Determine projection matrix of new camera using all the known 3D points that are visible in its image – *calibration*
 - Refine and extend structure: compute new 3D points, re-optimize existing points that are also seen by this camera – *triangulation*
- Refine structure and motion: bundle adjustment



NeRF: Representing Scenes as Neural Radiance Fields for View Synthesis

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Volume rendering estimation: integrating color along a ray

Rendering model for ray $\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{o} + t\mathbf{d}$:

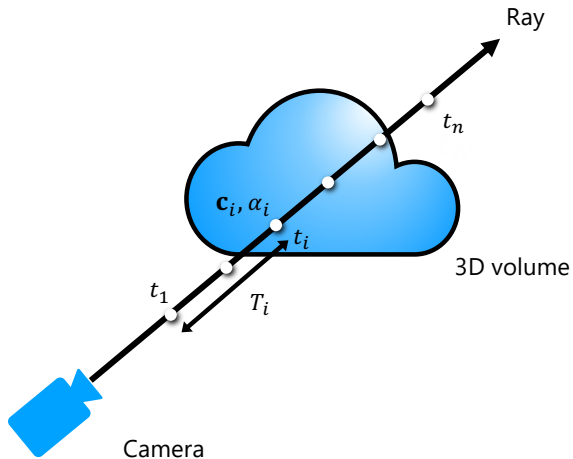
$$\mathbf{c} \approx \sum_{i=1}^n T_i \alpha_i \mathbf{c}_i$$

final rendered color along ray weights colors

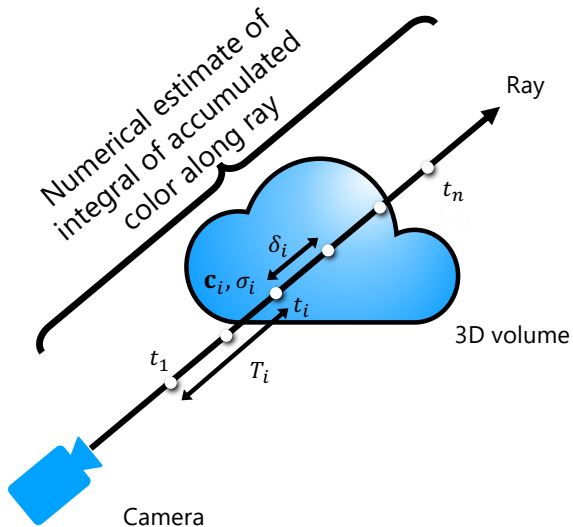
How much light is blocked earlier along ray:

$$T_i = \prod_{j=1}^{i-1} (1 - \alpha_j)$$

Computing the color for a set of rays through the pixels of an image yields a rendered image



Volume rendering estimation: integrating color along a ray

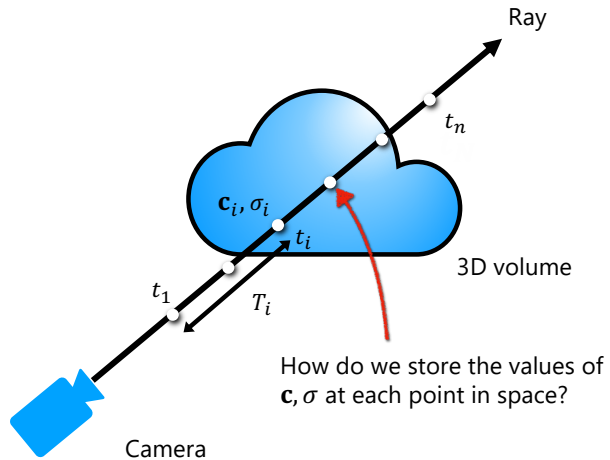


$$\alpha_i = 1 - \exp(-\sigma_i \delta_i)$$

Slight modification: α is not directly stored in the volume, but instead is derived from a stored volume density sigma (σ) that is multiplied by the distance between samples delta (δ):

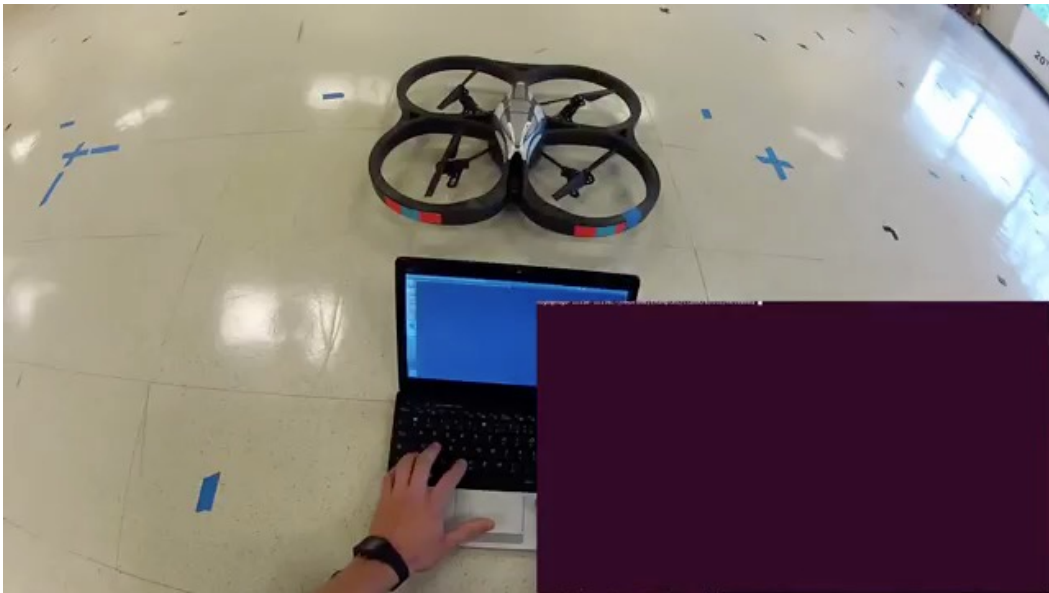
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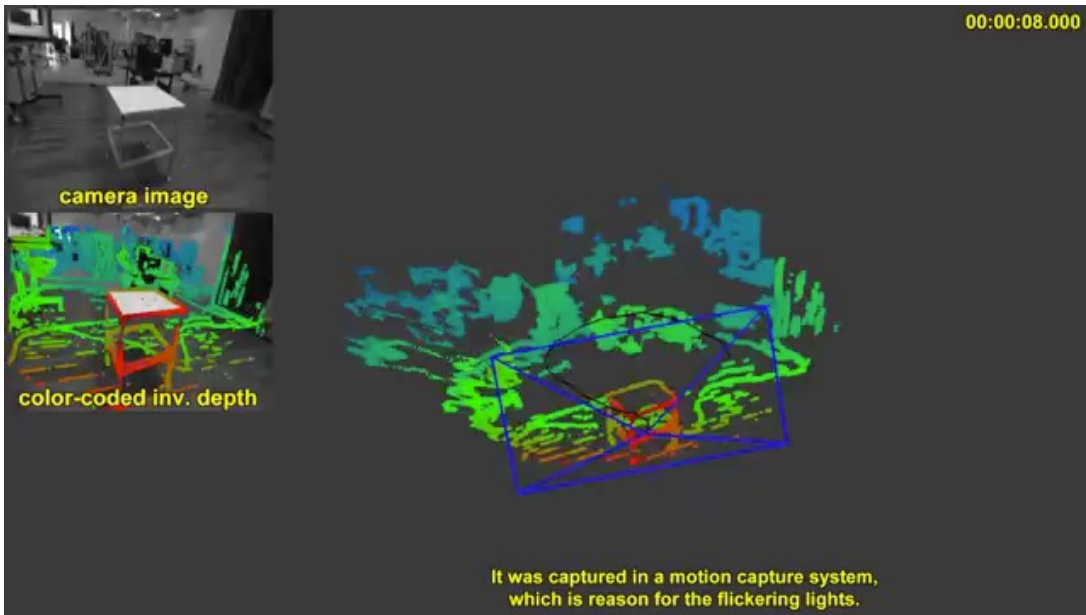


Optical flow

Optical flow used for feature tracking on a drone



optical flow used for motion estimation in visual odometry



Optical Flow

Problem Definition

Given two consecutive image frames,
estimate the motion of each pixel

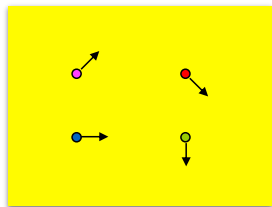
Assumptions

Brightness constancy

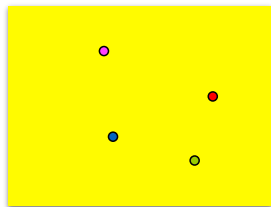
Small motion

Optical Flow

(Problem definition)



$I(x, y, t)$



$I(x, y, t')$

Estimate the motion
(flow) between these
two consecutive images

How is this different from estimating a 2D transform?

Key Assumptions

(unique to optical flow)

Color Constancy

(Brightness constancy for intensity images)

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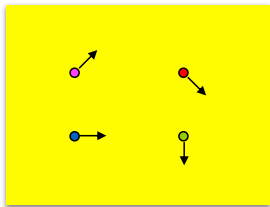
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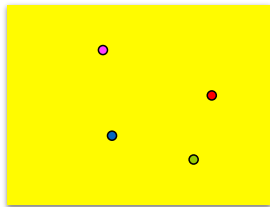
(pixels only move a little bit)

Implication: linearization of the brightness
constancy constraint

Approach



$I(x, y, t)$



$I(x, y, t')$

Look for nearby pixels with the same color

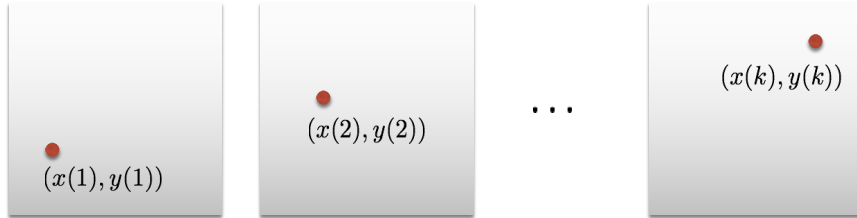
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(color constancy)

Assumption 1

Brightness constancy

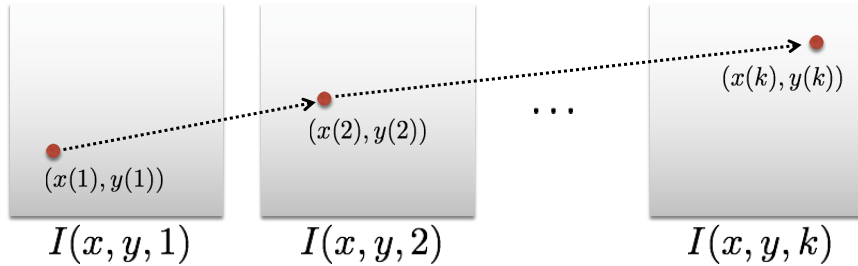
Scene point moving through image sequence



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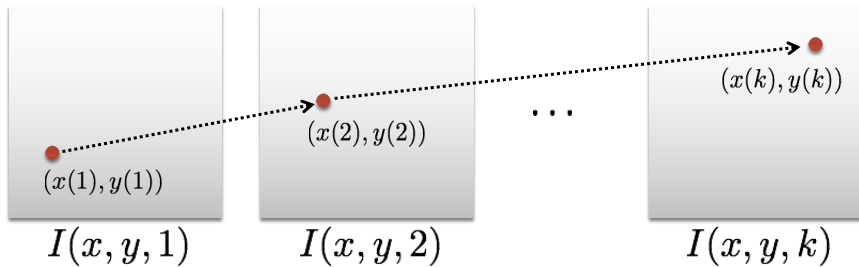
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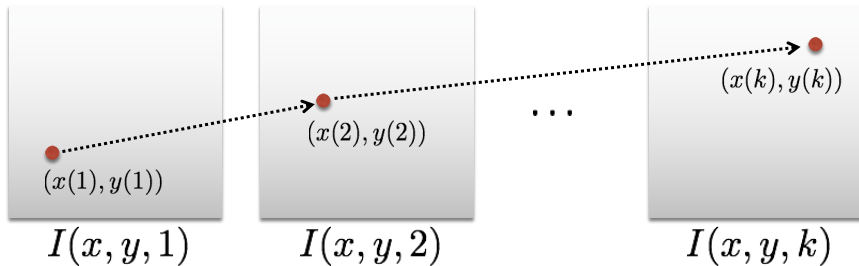


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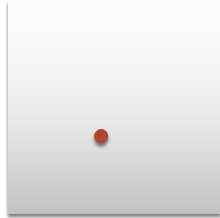
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$$I(x(t), y(t), t) = C$$

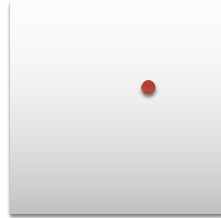
constant

Assumption 2

Small motion



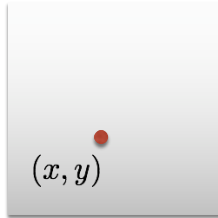
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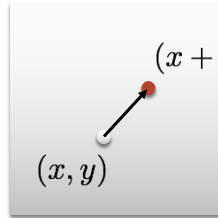
$I(x, y, t + \delta t)$

Assumption 2

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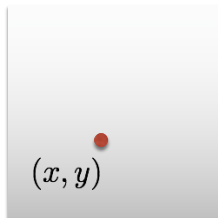
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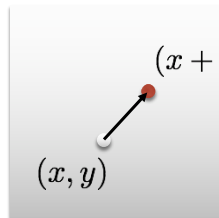
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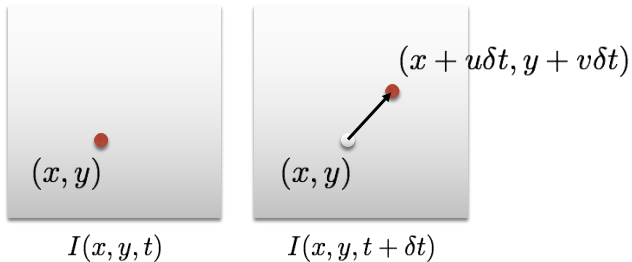
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Optical flow (velocities): (u, v)

Displacement: $(\delta x, \delta y) = (u\delta t, v\delta t)$

Assumption 2

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For a really small space-time step...

$$I(x + u\delta t, y + v\delta t, t + \delta t) = I(x, y, t)$$

... the brightness between two consecutive image frames is the same

These assumptions yield the ...

Brightness Constancy Equation

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} = 0$$

total derivative

partial derivative

Equation is not obvious. Where does this come from?

$$I(x + u\delta t, y + v\delta t, t + \delta t) = I(x, y, t)$$

For small space-time step, brightness of a point is the same

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For small space-time step, brightness of a point is the same

Insight:

If the time step is really small,
we can *linearize* the intensity function

$$I(x + u\delta t, y + v\delta t, t + \delta t) = I(x, y, t)$$

Multivariable Taylor Series Expansion

(First order approximation, two variables)

$$f(x, y) \approx f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b)$$

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assuming small motion

cancel terms

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$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial x}\delta x + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y}\delta y + \frac{\partial I}{\partial t}\delta t = 0 \quad \text{cancel terms}$$

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$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial x}\delta x + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y}\delta y + \frac{\partial I}{\partial t}\delta t = 0$$

divide by δt
take limit $\delta t \rightarrow 0$

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shorthand notation

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$$\nabla I^\top \mathbf{v} + I_t = 0$$

(1 x 2) (2 x 1)

vector form

(putting the math aside for a second...)

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brightness constancy equation represent?

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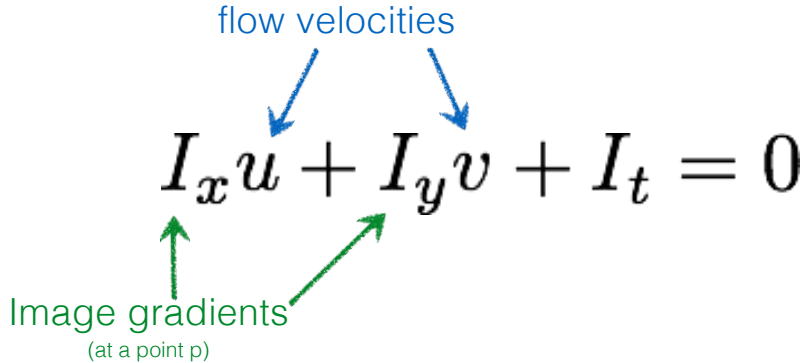
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flow velocities

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The diagram shows the brightness constancy equation $I_x u + I_y v + I_t = 0$. Above the equation, the text "flow velocities" is written in blue. Two blue arrows point from this text to the variables u and v in the equation. Below the equation, the text "Image gradients (at a point p)" is written in green. Two green arrows point from this text to the variables I_x and I_y in the equation.

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flow velocities

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Image gradients
(at a point p)

temporal gradient

How do you compute these terms?

$$I_x u + I_y v + I_t = 0$$

How do you compute ...

$$I_x = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \quad I_y = \frac{\partial I}{\partial y}$$

spatial derivative

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Frame differencing

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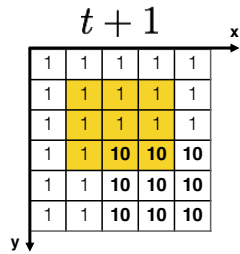
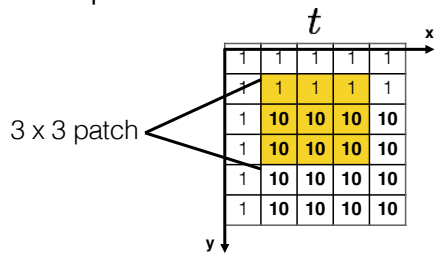
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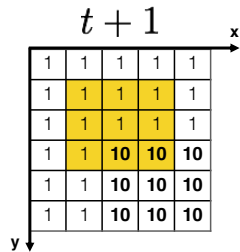
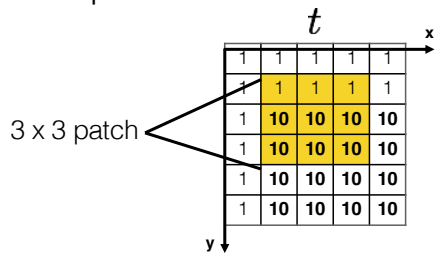
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(example of a forward difference)

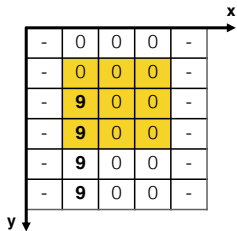
Example:



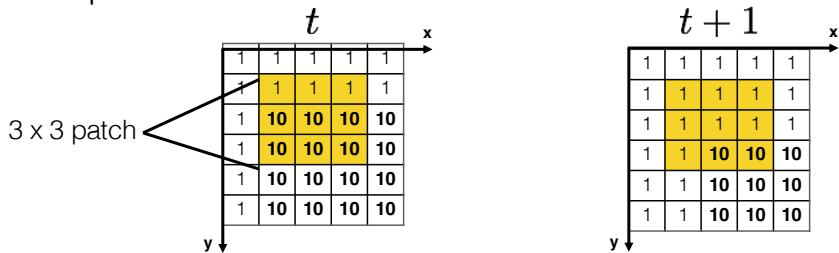
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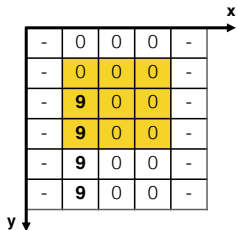
$$I_x = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x}$$



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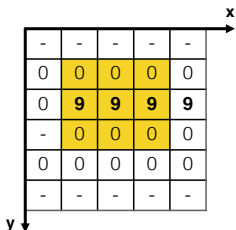


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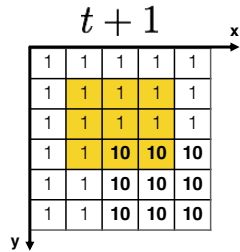
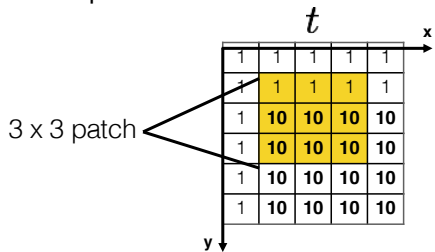
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$$I_y = \frac{\partial I}{\partial y}$$

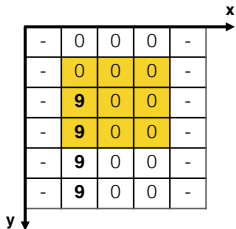


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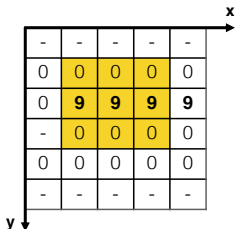
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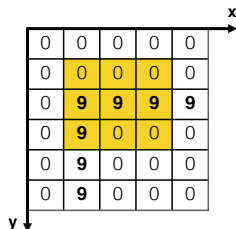
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$$I_t = \frac{\partial I}{\partial t}$$



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spatial derivative

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optical flow

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We need to solve for this!
(this is the unknown in the
optical flow problem)

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optical flow

(u, v)

Solution lies on a line

Cannot be found uniquely
with a single constraint

$$I_t = \frac{\partial I}{\partial t}$$

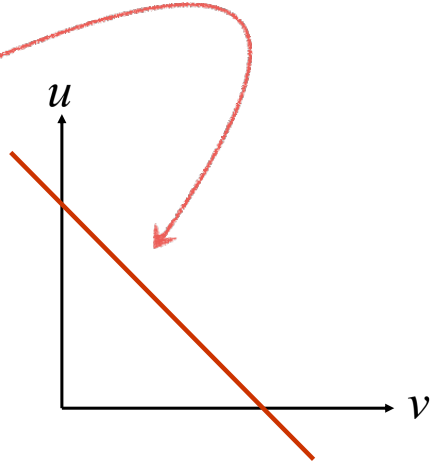
temporal derivative

frame differencing

Solution lies on a straight line

$$I_x u + I_y v + I_t = 0$$

many combinations of u and v will satisfy the equality



The solution cannot be determined uniquely with a single constraint (a single pixel)

unknown

$$I_x \textcircled{u} + I_y \textcircled{v} + I_t = 0$$

known

We need at least ____ equations to solve for 2 unknowns.

unknown

$$I_x \textcircled{u} + I_y \textcircled{v} + I_t = 0$$

known

The diagram illustrates the classification of variables in the equation $I_x u + I_y v + I_t = 0$. The variables u and v are circled in green, and green arrows point from the word "unknown" to them. The coefficients I_x , I_y , and the constant term I_t are not circled, and black arrows point from the word "known" to them.

Where do we get more equations (constraints)?

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Optical Flow (1981)**

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Assume that the surrounding patch (say 5x5) has
'constant flow'

Assumptions:

Flow is locally smooth

Neighboring pixels have same displacement

Using a 5 x 5 image patch, gives us  equations

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Using a 5 x 5 image patch, gives us 25 equations

$$I_x(\mathbf{p}_1)u + I_y(\mathbf{p}_1)v = -I_t(\mathbf{p}_1)$$

$$I_x(\mathbf{p}_2)u + I_y(\mathbf{p}_2)v = -I_t(\mathbf{p}_2)$$

⋮

$$I_x(\mathbf{p}_{25})u + I_y(\mathbf{p}_{25})v = -I_t(\mathbf{p}_{25})$$

Equivalent to solving:

$$\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A} \quad \hat{\mathbf{x}} \quad \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{b}$$
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where the summation is over each pixel \mathbf{p} in patch \mathbf{P}

$$\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{b}$$

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Sometimes called 'Lucas-Kanade Optical Flow'
(can be interpreted to be a special case of the LK method with a translational warp model)

When is this solvable?

$$A^{\top} A \hat{x} = A^{\top} b$$

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$$A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$$

$A^T A$ should be invertible

$A^T A$ should not be too small

λ_1 and λ_2 should not be too small

$A^T A$ should be well conditioned

λ_1/λ_2 should not be too large (λ_1 =larger eigenvalue)

Where have you seen this before?

$$A^{\top} A = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{p \in P} I_x I_x & \sum_{p \in P} I_x I_y \\ \sum_{p \in P} I_y I_x & \sum_{p \in P} I_y I_y \end{bmatrix}$$

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Harris Corner Detector!

What are the implications?

Implications

- Corners are when λ_1, λ_2 are big; this is also when Lucas-Kanade optical flow works best
- Corners are regions with two different directions of gradient (at least)
- Corners are good places to compute flow!

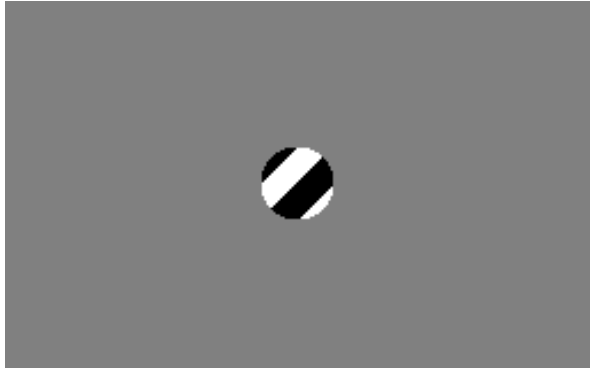
What happens when you have no 'corners'?

*You want to compute optical flow.
What happens if the image patch contains only a line?*

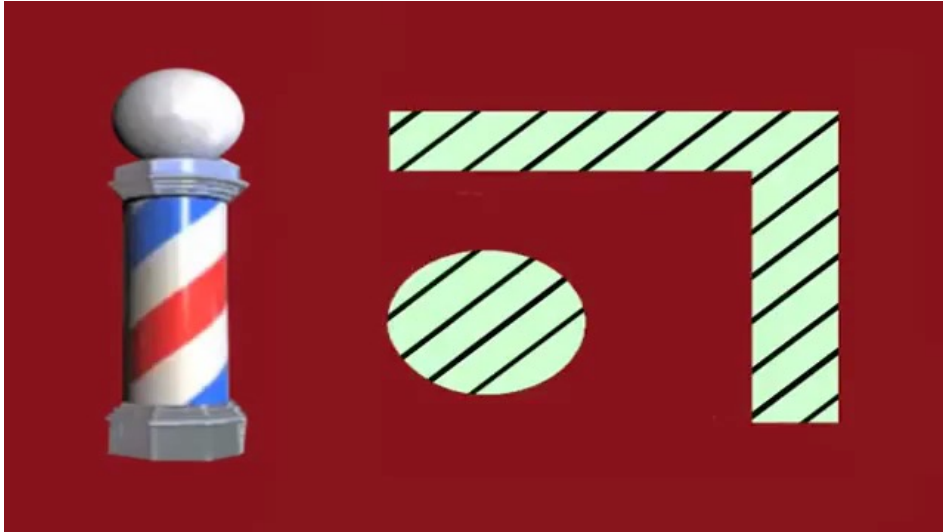
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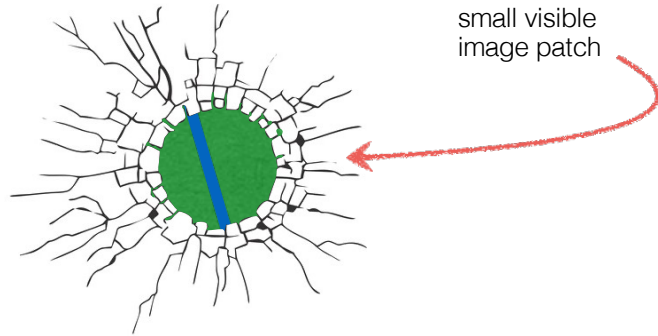
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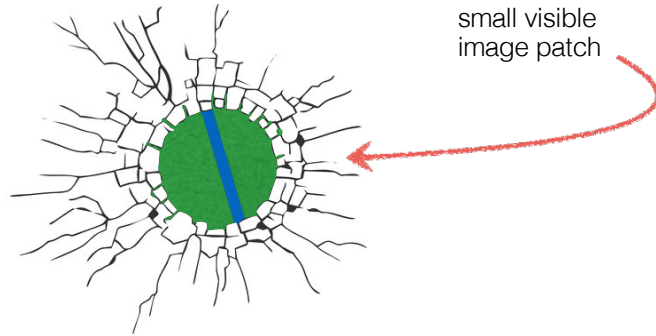


Aperture Problem



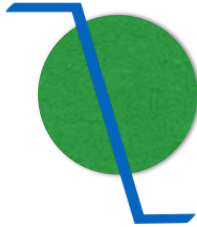
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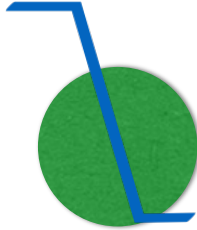


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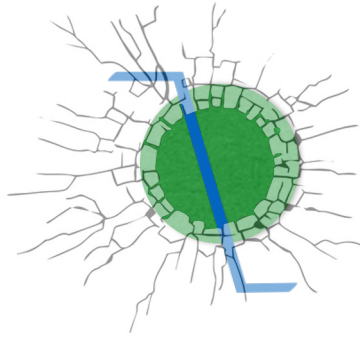
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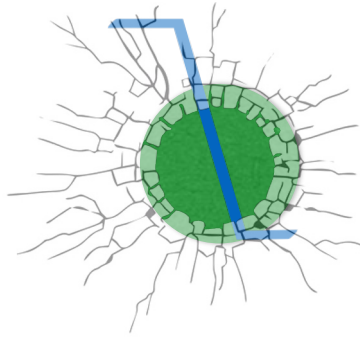
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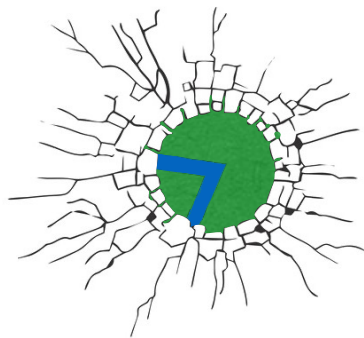


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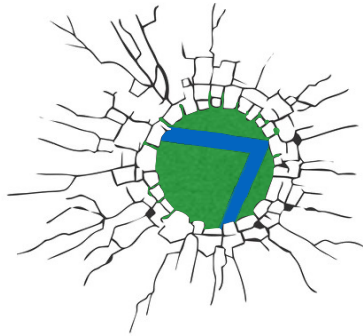


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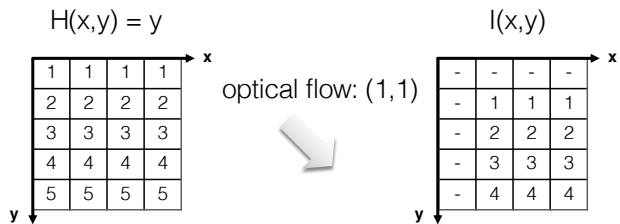




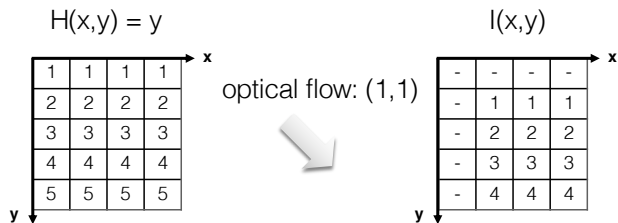
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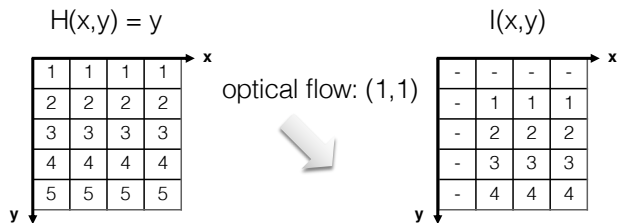
$$I_x u + I_y v + I_t = 0$$

Compute gradients

$$I_x(3,3) = 0$$

$$I_y(3,3) = 1$$

$$I_t(3,3) = I(3,3) - H(3,3) = -1$$



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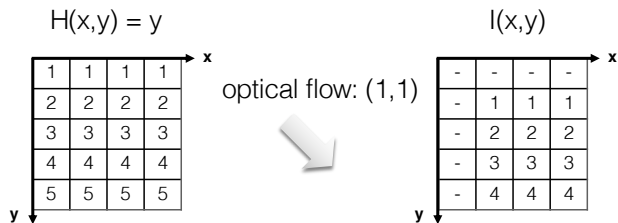
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Solution:



$$v = 1$$



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Solution:

$v = 1$

We recover the v of the optical flow but not the u .

This is the aperture problem.

Horn-Schunck optical flow

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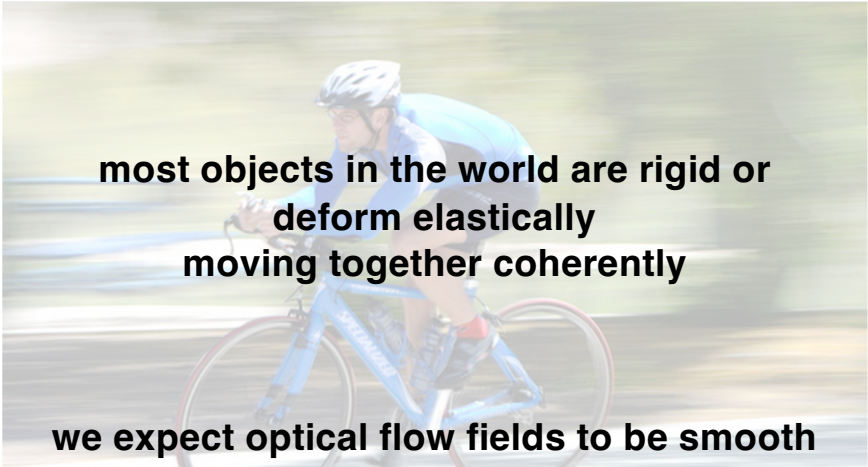
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Smoothness



**most objects in the world are rigid or
deform elastically
moving together coherently**

we expect optical flow fields to be smooth

Key idea

(of Horn-Schunck optical flow)

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Enforce **brightness constancy**

$$I_x u + I_y v + I_t = 0$$

For every pixel,

$$\min_{u,v} \left[I_x u_{ij} + I_y v_{ij} + I_t \right]^2$$

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lazy notation for $I_x(i,j)$

Key idea

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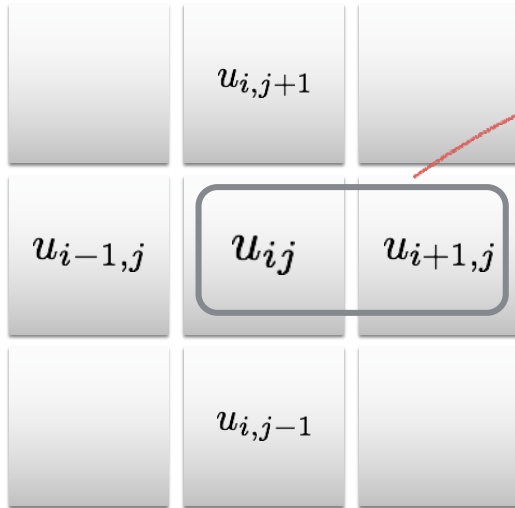
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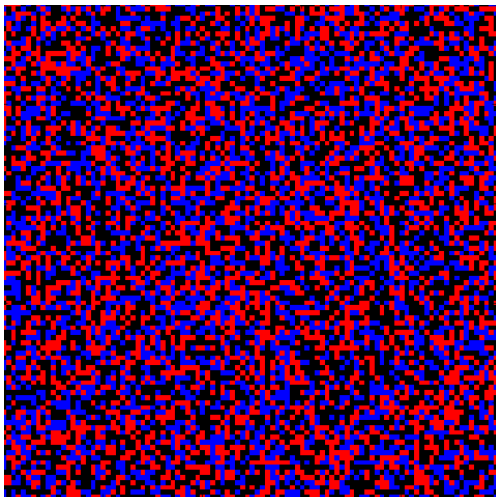
Enforce **smooth flow field**



$$\min_{\mathbf{u}} (u_{i,j} - u_{i+1,j})^2$$

u-component of flow

Which flow field optimizes the objective? $\min_{\mathbf{u}} (u_{i,j} - u_{i+1,j})^2$



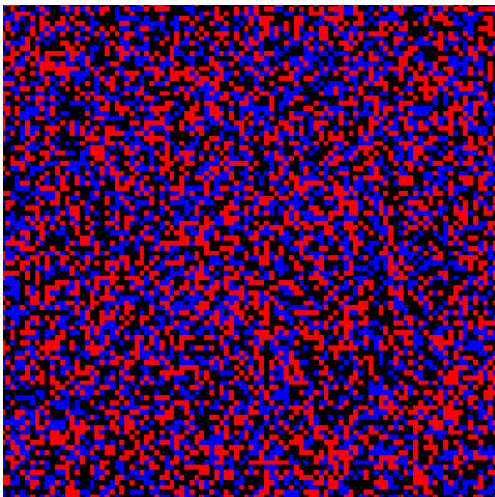
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?

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big



small

Key idea

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bringing it all together...

Horn-Schunck optical flow

$$\min_{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}} \sum_{i, j} \left\{ \overset{\text{smoothness}}{E_s(i, j)} + \lambda \overset{\text{brightness constancy}}{E_d(i, j)} \right\}$$

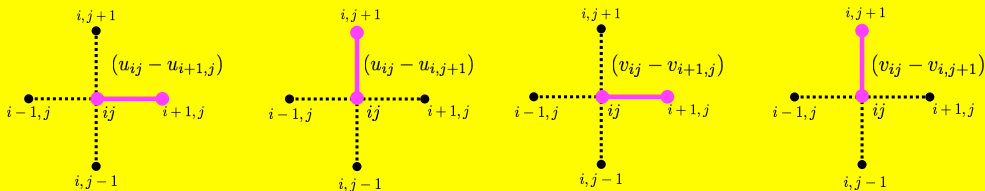
weight

HS optical flow objective function

Brightness constancy $E_d(i, j) = \left[I_x u_{ij} + I_y v_{ij} + I_t \right]^2$

Smoothness

$$E_s(i, j) = \frac{1}{4} \left[(u_{ij} - u_{i+1,j})^2 + (u_{ij} - u_{i,j+1})^2 + (v_{ij} - v_{i+1,j})^2 + (v_{ij} - v_{i,j+1})^2 \right]$$



How do we solve this minimization problem?

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Compute partial derivative, derive update equations
(gradient decent!)

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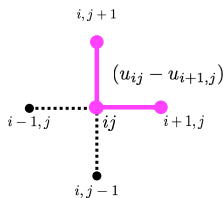
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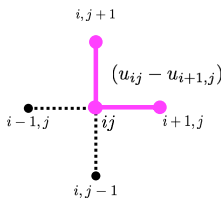
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short hand for
local average

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this is a linear system **$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$** *how do you solve this?*

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smoothness

brightness constancy

We need the math to minimize this
(back to the math)

Partial derivatives of Horn-Schunck objective function E:

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...we only care about smoothness.

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(now to the algorithm)

Horn-Schunck Optical Flow Algorithm

1. Precompute image gradients I_y I_x
2. Precompute temporal gradients I_t
3. Initialize flow field $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$
 $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$
4. While not converged

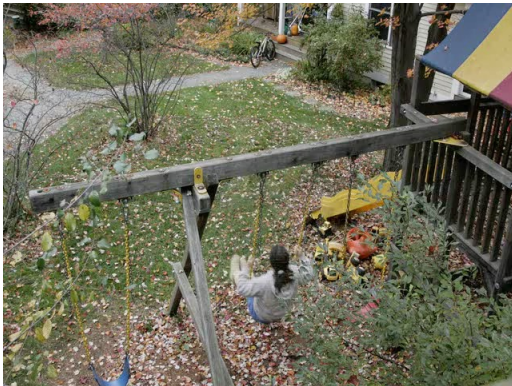
 Compute flow field updates for
 each pixel:

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Just 8 lines of code!

Motion magnification
using optical flow

How would you achieve this effect?



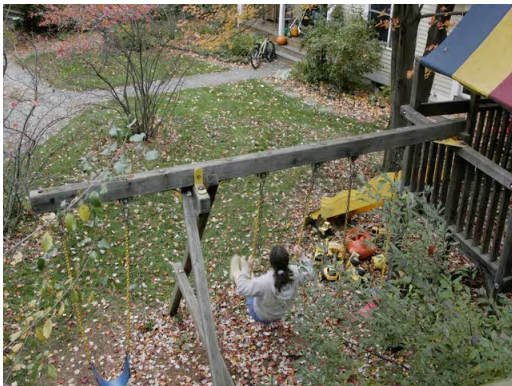
original



motion-magnified

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How would you achieve this effect?



naïvely motion-magnified

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In practice, many additional steps are required for a good result.

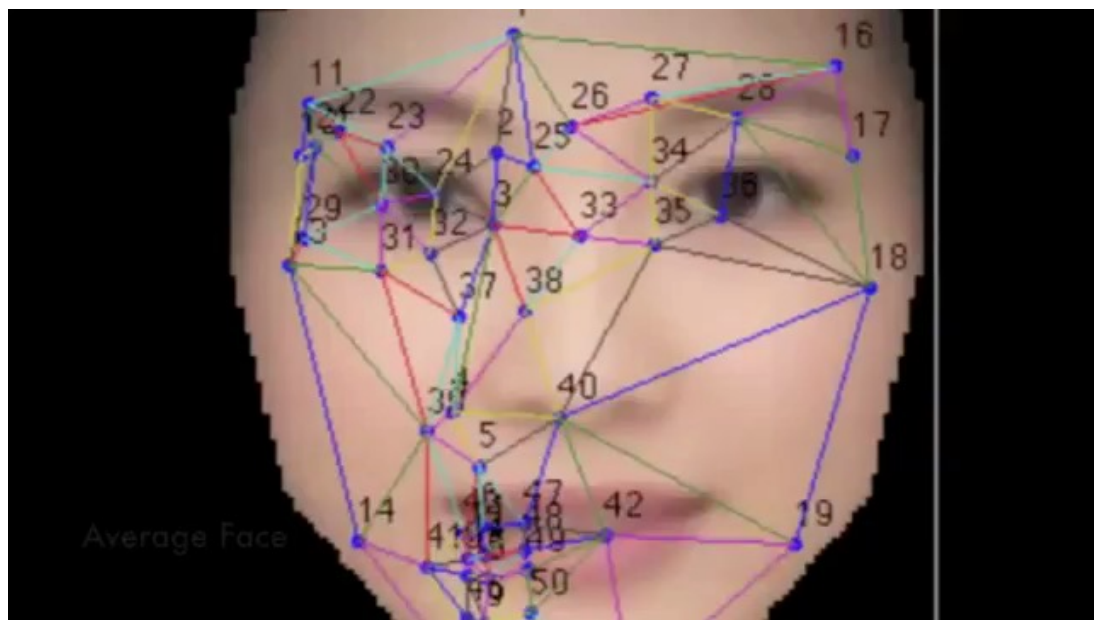
Some more examples



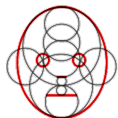
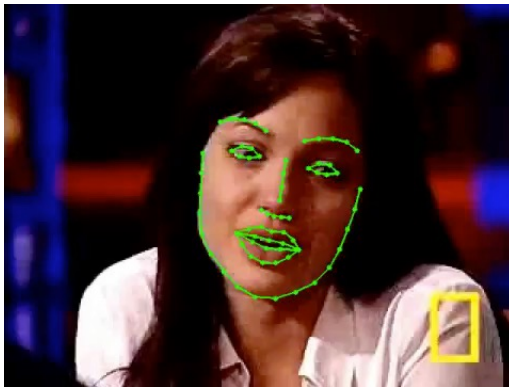
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Image alignment







IntraFace

<http://www.humansensing.cs.cmu.edu/intraface/>



How can I find



in the image?



Idea #1: Template Matching



Slow, combinatory, global solution

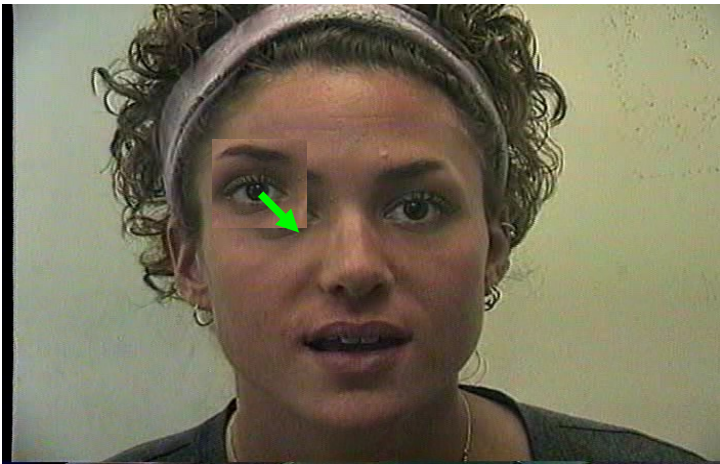
Idea #2: Pyramid Template Matching



Faster, combinatory, locally optimal

Idea #3: Model refinement

(when you have a good initial solution)



Fastest, locally optimal

Some notation before we get into the math...

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$$\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$$

2D image coordinate

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can be written in matrix form when linear
affine warp matrix can also be 3x3 when last row is [0 0 1]

$\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$ takes a _____ as input and returns a _____

$\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$ is a function of _____ variables

$\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$ returns a _____ of dimension _____ x _____

$\mathbf{p} = \{p_1, \dots, p_N\}$ where N is _____ for an affine model

$I(\mathbf{x}') = I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$ this warp changes pixel values?

Image alignment

(problem definition)

$$\min_{\mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} [I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x})]^2$$

warped image template image

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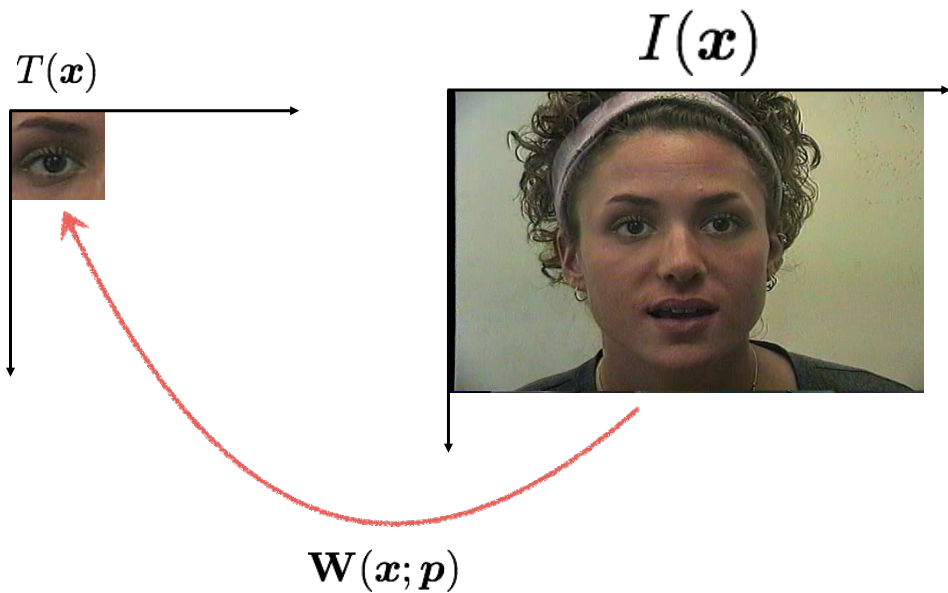


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How could you find a solution to this problem?

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assume good initialization,
linearized objective and update incrementally

Lucas-Kanade alignment

(pretty strong assumption)

If you have a good initial guess \mathbf{p} ...

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} [I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x})]^2$$

can be written as ...

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} [I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p} + \Delta\mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x})]^2$$

(a small incremental adjustment)
(this is what we are solving for now)

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Taylor series approximation!

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \underbrace{[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p} + \Delta \mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x})]^2}$$

Multivariable Taylor Series Expansion
(First order approximation)

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Recall: $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$

$$\begin{aligned} I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p} + \Delta \mathbf{p})) &\approx I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \frac{\partial I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} \\ &= I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \frac{\partial I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))}{\partial \mathbf{x}'} \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} \quad (\text{chain rule}) \\ &= I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} \quad (\text{short-hand notation}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\underline{I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p} + \Delta\mathbf{p}))} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

Multivariable Taylor Series Expansion
(First order approximation)

$$f(x, y) \approx f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b)$$

Linear approximation

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

What are the unknowns here?

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\underline{I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p} + \Delta\mathbf{p}))} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

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Now, the function is a linear function of the unknowns

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

\mathbf{x} is a _____ of dimension ____ x ____

output of \mathbf{W} is a _____ of dimension ____ x ____

\mathbf{p} is a _____ of dimension ____ x ____

$I(\cdot)$ is a function of ____ variables

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

\mathbf{x} is a vector of dimension 2 x 1

output of \mathbf{W} is a of dimension x

\mathbf{p} is a of dimension x

$I(\cdot)$ is a function of variables

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

\mathbf{x} is a vector of dimension 2 x 1

output of \mathbf{W} is a vector of dimension 2 x 1

\mathbf{p} is a _____ of dimension ____ x ____

$I(\cdot)$ is a function of _____ variables

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

\mathbf{x} is a vector of dimension 2 x 1

output of \mathbf{W} is a vector of dimension 2 x 1

\mathbf{p} is a vector of dimension 6 x 1

$I(\cdot)$ is a function of variables

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

\mathbf{x} is a vector of dimension 2 x 1

output of \mathbf{W} is a vector of dimension 2 x 1

\mathbf{p} is a vector of dimension 6 x 1

$I(\cdot)$ is a function of 2 variables

The Jacobian $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}}$

(A matrix of partial derivatives)

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} W_x(x, y) \\ W_y(x, y) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial W_x}{\partial p_1} & \frac{\partial W_x}{\partial p_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial W_x}{\partial p_N} \\ \frac{\partial W_y}{\partial p_1} & \frac{\partial W_y}{\partial p_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial W_y}{\partial p_N} \end{bmatrix}$$

Rate of change of the warp

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Rate of change of the warp


Affine transform

$$\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}) = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 x + p_3 y + p_5 \\ p_2 x + p_4 y + p_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial W_x}{\partial p_1} = x \quad \frac{\partial W_x}{\partial p_2} = 0 \quad \dots$$

$$\frac{\partial W_y}{\partial p_1} = 0 \quad \dots$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 & y & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & x & 0 & y & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$


$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

↑
pixel coordinate
(2 × 1)

↑

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

pixel coordinate
(2 x 1)

image intensity
(scalar)

warp function
(2 x 1)

pixel coordinate
(2 x 1)

image intensity
(scalar)

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

The diagram illustrates the mathematical expression for image registration. It features a summation over pixel coordinates \mathbf{x} of a squared difference between the warped image and the target image. The warped image is represented as $I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$, where \mathbf{W} is the warp function and \mathbf{p} is the parameter vector. A first-order Taylor expansion of the warped image is shown as $I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p}$. The target image is $T(\mathbf{x})$. Green arrows indicate the dimensions of the variables: \mathbf{x} is a 2x1 pixel coordinate vector, \mathbf{W} is a 2x1 warp function, \mathbf{p} is a scalar parameter, ∇I is a scalar gradient, and $\Delta \mathbf{p}$ is a scalar parameter change.

warp function
(2 x 1)

warp parameters
(6 for affine)

pixel coordinate
(2 x 1)

image intensity
(scalar)

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

The diagram illustrates the mathematical expression for image warping. It features a central equation: $\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$. Green arrows point from text labels to specific parts of the equation: 'warp function (2 x 1)' points to \mathbf{W} ; 'warp parameters (6 for affine)' points to \mathbf{p} ; 'pixel coordinate (2 x 1)' points to \mathbf{x} ; 'image intensity (scalar)' points to I ; and another 'image intensity (scalar)' label points to the ∇I term.

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

Diagram illustrating the components of the image warping error function:

- \mathbf{x} : pixel coordinate (2 x 1)
- $I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$: image intensity (scalar)
- $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$: warp function (2 x 1)
- \mathbf{p} : warp parameters (6 for affine)
- ∇I : image gradient (1 x 2)
- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}}$: Jacobian of the warp function
- $\Delta \mathbf{p}$: change in warp parameters
- $T(\mathbf{x})$: target image intensity

Diagram illustrating the mathematical expression for the sum of squared differences between warped and target images, with annotations for dimensions and components.

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

Annotations:

- \mathbf{x} : pixel coordinate (2 x 1)
- $I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$: image intensity (scalar)
- ∇I : image gradient (1 x 2)
- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}}$: Partial derivatives of warp function (2 x 6)
- $\Delta \mathbf{p}$: warp parameters (6 for affine)
- $T(\mathbf{x})$: target image intensity (scalar)

Diagram illustrating the components of the image warping error function:

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

The components and their dimensions are:

- \mathbf{x} : pixel coordinate (2 x 1)
- $I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$: image intensity (scalar)
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- \mathbf{p} : warp parameters (6 for affine)
- ∇I : image gradient (1 x 2)
- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}}$: Partial derivatives of warp function (2 x 6)
- $\Delta \mathbf{p}$: incremental warp (6 x 1)
- $T(\mathbf{x})$: target image intensity (scalar)

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

Diagram illustrating the components of the image registration cost function:

- \mathbf{x} : pixel coordinate (2 x 1)
- $I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$: image intensity (scalar)
- $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})$: warp function (2 x 1)
- \mathbf{p} : warp parameters (6 for affine)
- ∇I : image gradient (1 x 2)
- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}}$: Partial derivatives of warp function (2 x 6)
- $\Delta \mathbf{p}$: incremental warp (6 x 1)
- $T(\mathbf{x})$: template image intensity (scalar)

When you implement this, you will compute everything in parallel and store as matrix ... don't loop over x!

Summary

(of Lucas-Kanade Image Alignment)

Problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} [I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x})]^2$$

warped image template image

Difficult non-linear optimization problem

Strategy:

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} [I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p} + \Delta\mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x})]^2$$

Assume known approximate solution
Solve for increment

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

Taylor series approximation
Linearize

then solve for $\Delta \mathbf{p}$

OK, so how do we solve this?

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

Another way to look at it...

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

(moving terms around)

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - \{T(\mathbf{x}) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))\} \right]^2$$

vector of
constants

vector of
variables

constant

Have you seen this form of optimization problem before?

Another way to look at it...

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) + \nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - \{T(\mathbf{x}) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))\} \right]^2$$

Looks like

$$\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}$$

How do you solve this?

Least squares approximation

$$\hat{x} = \arg \min_x \|Ax - b\|^2 \text{ is solved by } x = (A^\top A)^{-1} A^\top b$$

Applied to our tasks:

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \Delta \mathbf{p} - \{T(\mathbf{x}) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))\} \right]^2$$

is optimized when

$$\Delta \mathbf{p} = H^{-1} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \right]^\top [T(\mathbf{x}) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{after applying} \\ x = (A^\top A)^{-1} A^\top b \end{array}$$

$$\text{where } H = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \right]^\top \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \right] \quad A^\top A$$

Solve:

$$\min_{\mathbf{p}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} [I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x})]^2$$

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Taylor series approximation

Linearize

Solution:

$$\Delta \mathbf{p} = H^{-1} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \right]^{\top} [T(\mathbf{x}) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))]$$

Solution to least squares approximation

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \right]^{\top} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \right]$$

Hessian

This is called...

**Gauss-Newton gradient decent
non-linear optimization!**

Lucas Kanade (Additive alignment)

1. Warp image $I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))$
2. Compute error image $[T(\mathbf{x}) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))]$
3. Compute gradient $\nabla I(\mathbf{x}')$ \mathbf{x}' coordinates of the warped image
(gradients of the warped image)
4. Evaluate Jacobian $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}}$
5. Compute Hessian H $H = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \right]^T \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \right]$
6. Compute $\Delta \mathbf{p}$ $\Delta \mathbf{p} = H^{-1} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \right]^T [T(\mathbf{x}) - I(\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}))]$
7. Update parameters $\mathbf{p} \leftarrow \mathbf{p} + \Delta \mathbf{p}$

Just 8 lines of code!

Overview

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 - structure from motion
 - NeRF
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 - brightness constancy
 - Lucas-Kanade (constant flow)
 - Horn-Schunk (smooth flow)
- motion magnification
- image alignment & tracking

next time — tracking continued

