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Lecture #13

Contours, Image Moments, and Hough Transforms

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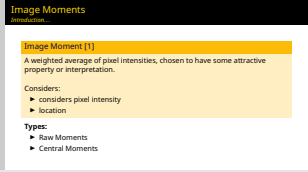

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For continuous functions ($order = p + q$):

$$M_{pq} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\int x^p y^q f(x,y)dxdy \tag{1}$$

For scalar(grayscale) images ($order = i + j$):

$$M_{ij} = \sum_x \sum_y x^i y^j I(x,y) \tag{2}$$

Where $I(x,y)$ is pixel intensity. Occasionally scaled by probability density function using:

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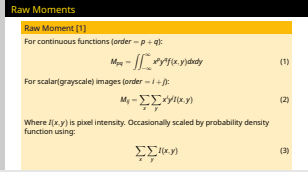

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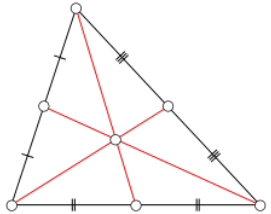

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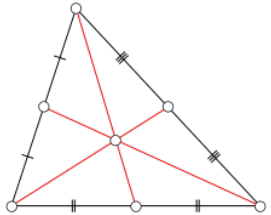

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1. Centroid components, $\bar{x}$ and $\bar{y}$, are used in calculating central image moments.

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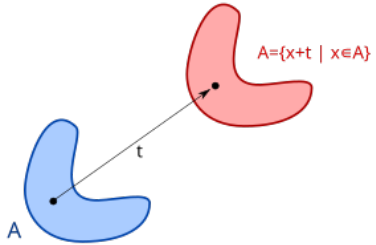

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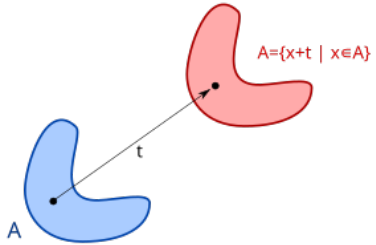

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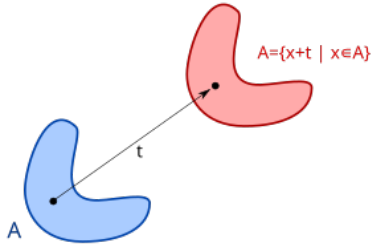
2. The property of being mathematically invariant.



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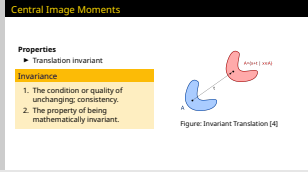

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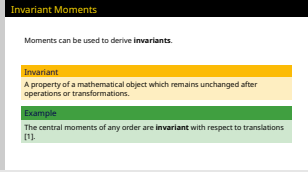

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Calculating invariants from central moments(μ) with:

$$\eta_{ij} = \frac{\mu_{ij}}{\mu_{00}^{\left(1+\frac{i+j}{2}\right)}} \tag{8}$$

$$I_1 = \eta_{20} + \eta_{02}$$

$$I_2 = (\eta_{20} - \eta_{02})^2 + 4\eta_{11}^2$$

$$I_3 = (\eta_{30} - 3\eta_{12})^2 + (3\eta_{21} - \eta_{03})^2$$

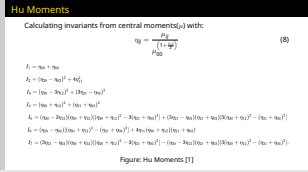
$$I_4 = (\eta_{30} + \eta_{12})^2 + (\eta_{21} + \eta_{03})^2$$

$$I_5 = (\eta_{30} - 3\eta_{12})(\eta_{30} + \eta_{12})[(\eta_{30} + \eta_{12})^2 - 3(\eta_{21} + \eta_{03})^2] + (3\eta_{21} - \eta_{03})(\eta_{21} + \eta_{03})[3(\eta_{30} + \eta_{12})^2 - (\eta_{21} + \eta_{03})^2]$$

$$I_6 = (\eta_{20} - \eta_{02})[(\eta_{30} + \eta_{12})^2 - (\eta_{21} + \eta_{03})^2] + 4\eta_{11}(\eta_{30} + \eta_{12})(\eta_{21} + \eta_{03})$$

$$I_7 = (3\eta_{21} - \eta_{03})(\eta_{30} + \eta_{12})[(\eta_{30} + \eta_{12})^2 - 3(\eta_{21} + \eta_{03})^2] - (\eta_{30} - 3\eta_{12})(\eta_{21} + \eta_{03})[3(\eta_{30} + \eta_{12})^2 - (\eta_{21} + \eta_{03})^2].$$

Figure: Hu Moments [1]



Hu Moments in OpenCV

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# image or array of 2D points, calculates moments
moments = cv.moments(
        array,      # input image/array of 2D points
        binaryImage # flag, if true, all non-zero pixels set to 1
        )
# moments from image (cv.moments), calculates Hu Moments (list)
hu_moments = cv.HuMoments(
            moments, # moments from image
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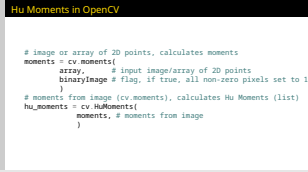

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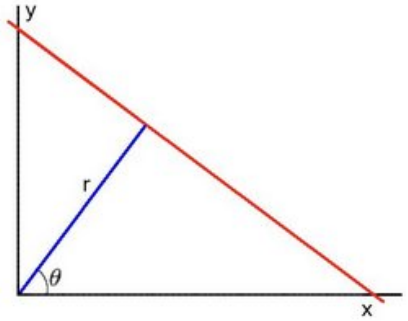

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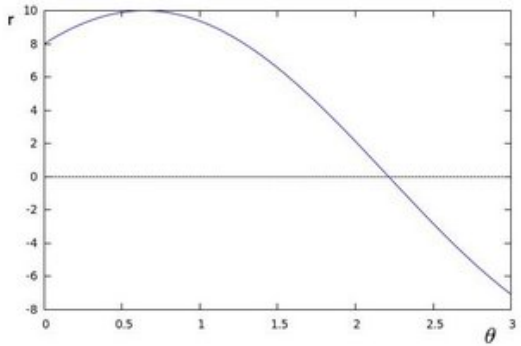

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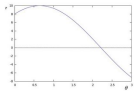

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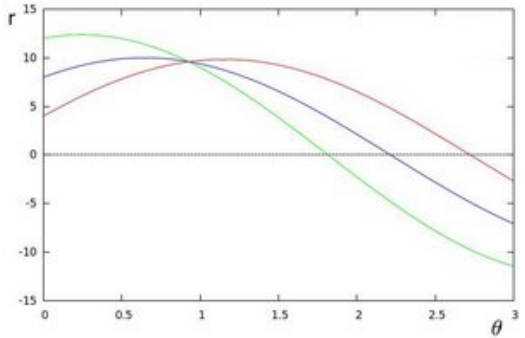

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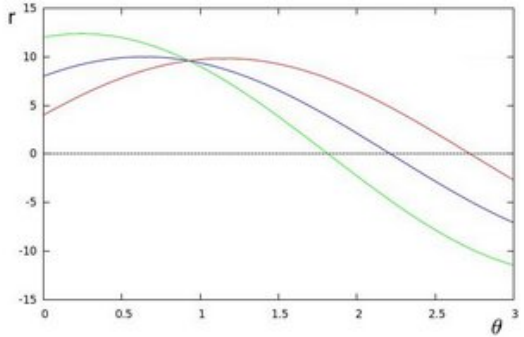

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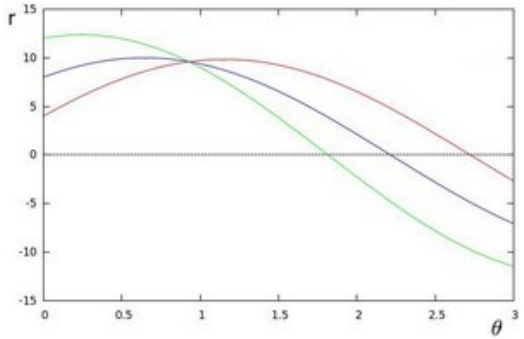

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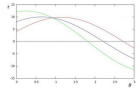

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    theta,  # angle resolution (radians)
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