CSE185 Introduction to Computer Vision Lab 08: Hough Transform

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Line Fitting

• Given an input image, detect straight lines from the edge map





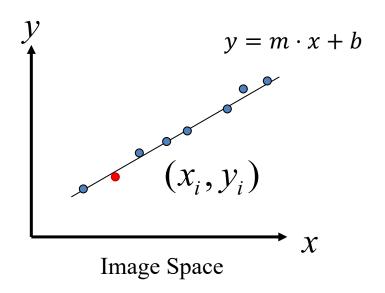


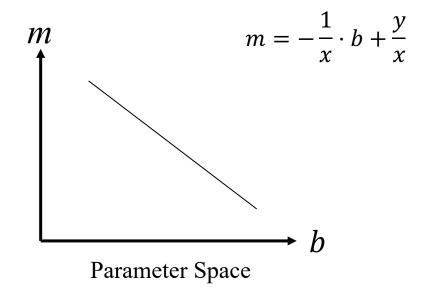
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$$y = m \cdot x + b$$

• In parameter/Hough space:

$$m = -\frac{1}{x} \cdot b + \frac{y}{x}$$



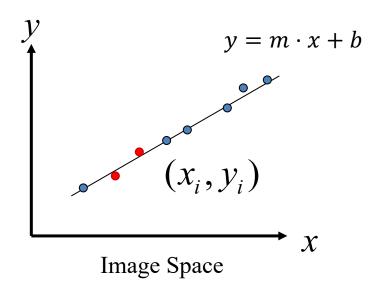


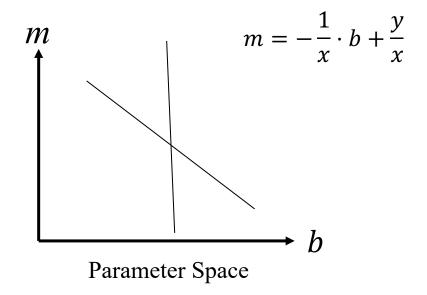
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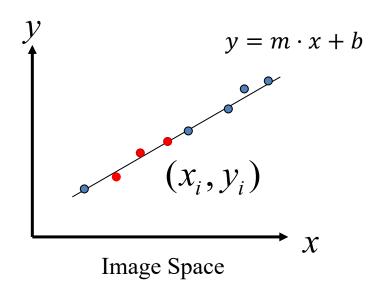


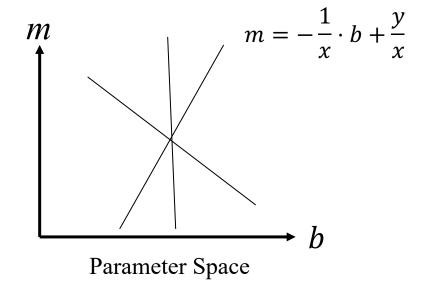
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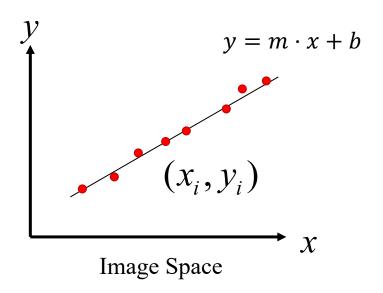


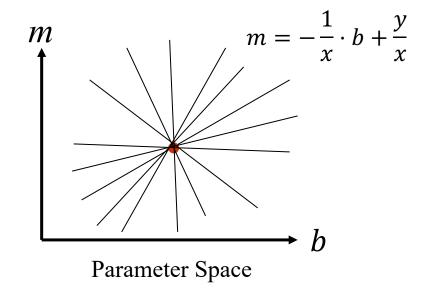
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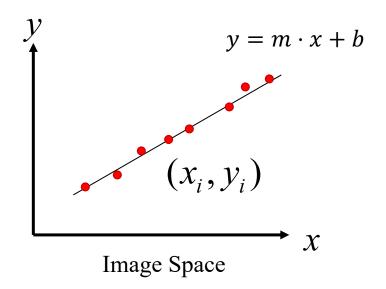


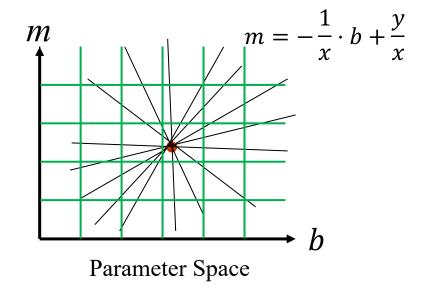
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• Algorithm:

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quantize parameter space (m, b)
create a 2D accumulate matrix V

for each (x, y) in edge map:
    for each b:
        compute m = -1 / x * b + y / x
        add vote to V
    end
end

find the maximal votes in V
find the corresponding value of m and b
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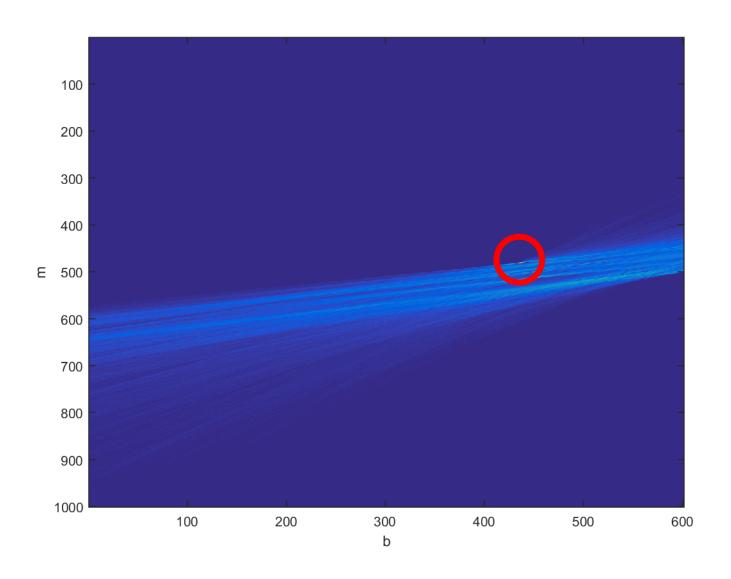
• In hough transform.m

```
function [m, b] = hough transform(edge map)
    %% find x, y position from edge map
    [edge y, edge x] = find(edge map);
    %% range of b
    H = size(edge_map, 1);
    b range = -H : 1 : H;
    %% range of m
    m step = 0.01;
   m max = 5;
   m \min = -m \max;
    m range = m min : m step : m max;
    %% create vote matrix
    V = zeros(length(m range), length(b range));
```

• In hough transform.m

```
%% create vote matrix
V = zeros(length(m range), length(b range));
%% TODO: add votes
%% plot votes
figure, imagesc(V); xlabel('b'); ylabel('m');
%% find the maximal vote
\max \text{ vote } = \max (V(:));
[max m index, max b index] = find(V == max vote);
m = m range(max m index);
b = b range(max b index);
```

Visualization of vote matrix



Detected Line





Hints

• for each (x, y) in edge map:

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for i = 1:length(edge_y)
    y = edge_y(i);
    x = edge_x(i);
```

• for each b:

```
for b_index = 1:length(b_range)
b = b_range(b_index);
```

Hints

• Before you add votes to V, check the range of m:

• You should convert m, b to their indexes in matrix V

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m_index = round( (m - m_min) / m_step ) + 1; add 1 because
index start from 1

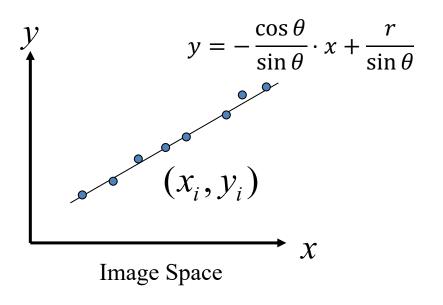
V(m_index, b_index) = V(m_index, b_index) + 1;
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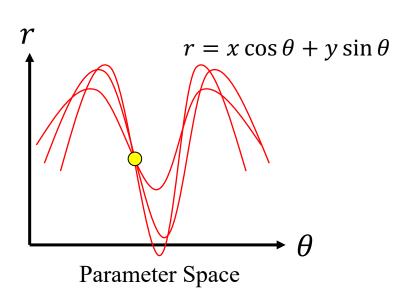
Line Equation in Polar Coordinate

• $y = m \cdot x + b$ cannot represent vertical lines $(m \to \infty)$:

• Use polar representation:

$$r = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$$





• Algorithm:

```
quantize parameter space (r, theta)
create a 2D accumulate matrix V
for each (x, y) in edge map:
    for each theta:
        compute r = x * cos(theta) + y * sin(theta)
        add vote to V
    end
end
find the maximal votes in V
find the corresponding value of r and theta
```

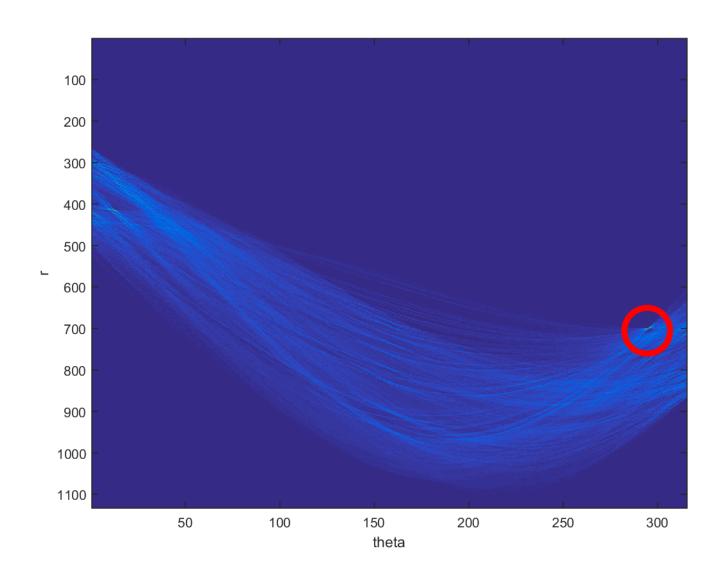
• In hough transform polar.m

```
function [r, theta] = hough transform polar(edge map)
    %% find x, y position from edge map
    [edge y, edge x] = find(edge map);
    %% range of r
    H = size(edge map, 1);
    W = size(edge map, 2);
    r max = round(sqrt(H^2 + W^2));
    r min = -r max;
    r step = 1;
    r range = r min : r step : r max;
    %% range of theta
    theta step = 0.01;
    theta range = -pi/2: theta step: pi/2;
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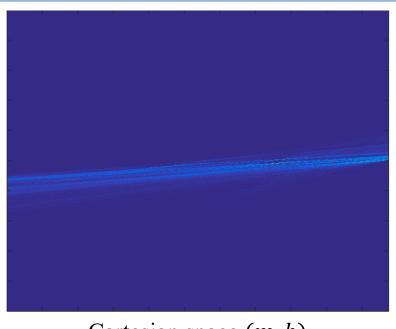
• In hough_transform_polar.m

```
%% create vote matrix
V = zeros(length(r range), length(theta range));
%% TODO: add votes
%% visualize votes
figure, imagesc (votes);
xlabel('theta'); ylabel('r');
%% find the maximal vote
max vote = max(votes(:));
[max r index, max theta index]
                      = find( votes == max vote );
r = r range(max r index);
theta = theta range(max theta index);
```

Visualization of vote matrix

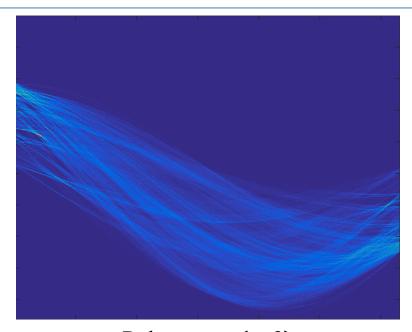


Outputs



Cartesian space (m, b)

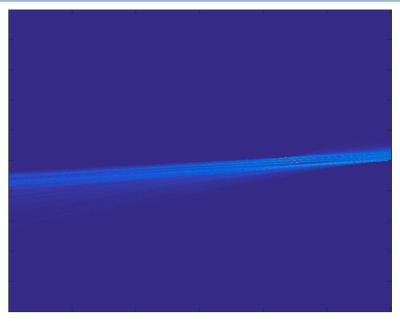




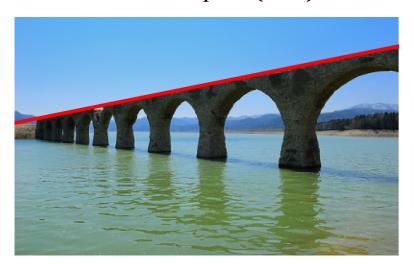
Polar space (r, θ)

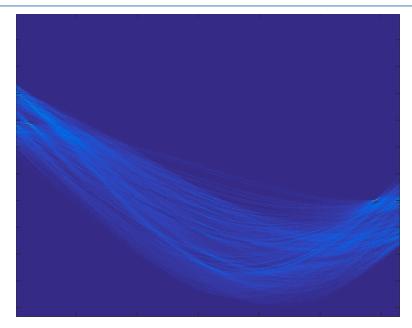


Outputs



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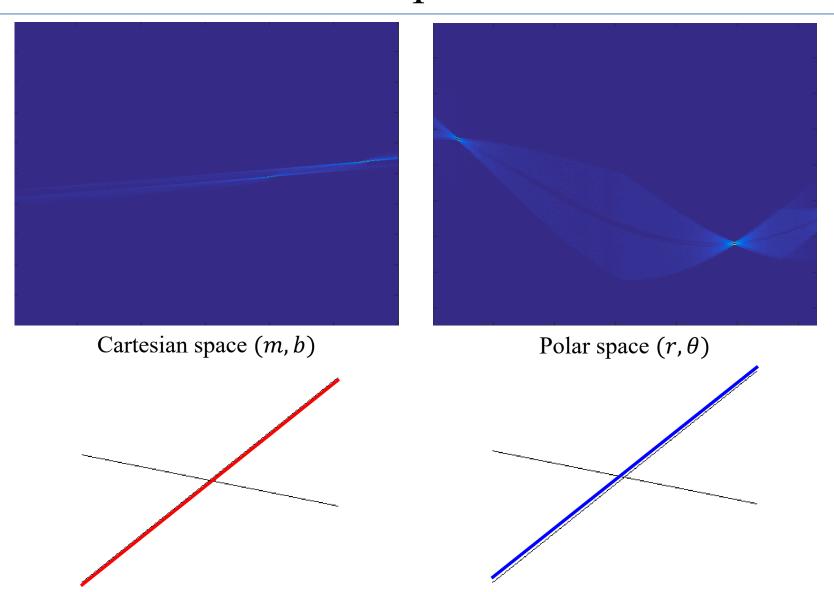




Polar space (r, θ)



Outputs



TODO

- Implement hough_transform.m and hough transform polar.m
- Upload lab08.m, hough_transform.m,
 hough_transform_polar.m and XXX_mb_line.png,
 XXX_polar_line.png (XXX = lines, bridge, hill)