



Assignment 2

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Setup

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In [ ]: import numpy as np
import scipy.fftpack as fftpack
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import os
import cv2 as cv
from scipy import signal
import seaborn as sns

sns.set_theme()

sns.set_style("dark")
```

1 Temporal prediction

a)

Motion compensation is a method of predicting a frame in a video relative to a reference frame. This is done by accounting for previous and future frames camera and/or object motion. This method of prediction between frames will in most cases give good compression efficiency.

b)

I- intra frames

These frames are coded without a reference to other frames. By coding the frames we achieve a moderate amount of compression with spatial redundancy, however there is no temporal redundancy. Since the frames are encoded with no reference to other frames, there is no motion compensation. The compression can be both lossless and lossy. Relative to the other frames, it achieves the least amount of compression.[1]

P- Predictive frames

The predictive frames are encoded using motion compensation from a previous I or P frame. It only stores the changes from previous I or P- frame, this might be motion vectors or image data. P- frames reduce both the temporal and spatial redundancy and therefore achieve a higher order of compression compared to I- frames. The higher order of compression will give a lower quality picture compared to I-frames, but this is solved by using Group of Pictures (GOP). In a GOP the two are combined to achieve a higher quality image. (GOP also includes B-frames)[1]

B- Bidirectional

Bidirectional frames uses (as the name indicates) both past and future I- and P-frames. These are then used as a linear combination to estimate a suitable motion estimate. This Bidirectional encoding gives the highest order of compression of the three frames. We can have forward, backward motion vectors. B-frames achieves the lowest order of picture quality of the three frames, but as described above, in a GOP high quality can be achieved.[1]

c)

The transmission is ordered different from the display order in association with the B-picture. The transmitted ordering is done such that B-pictures appear after the past and future pictures. By doing this reordering it is ensured that the B-picture can always be constructed by referencing these past and future pictures from memory. This will of course introduce a delay dependant upon the number of consecutive B-pictures, which is 2 in mpeg 1 and 2 as shown in the figure below.

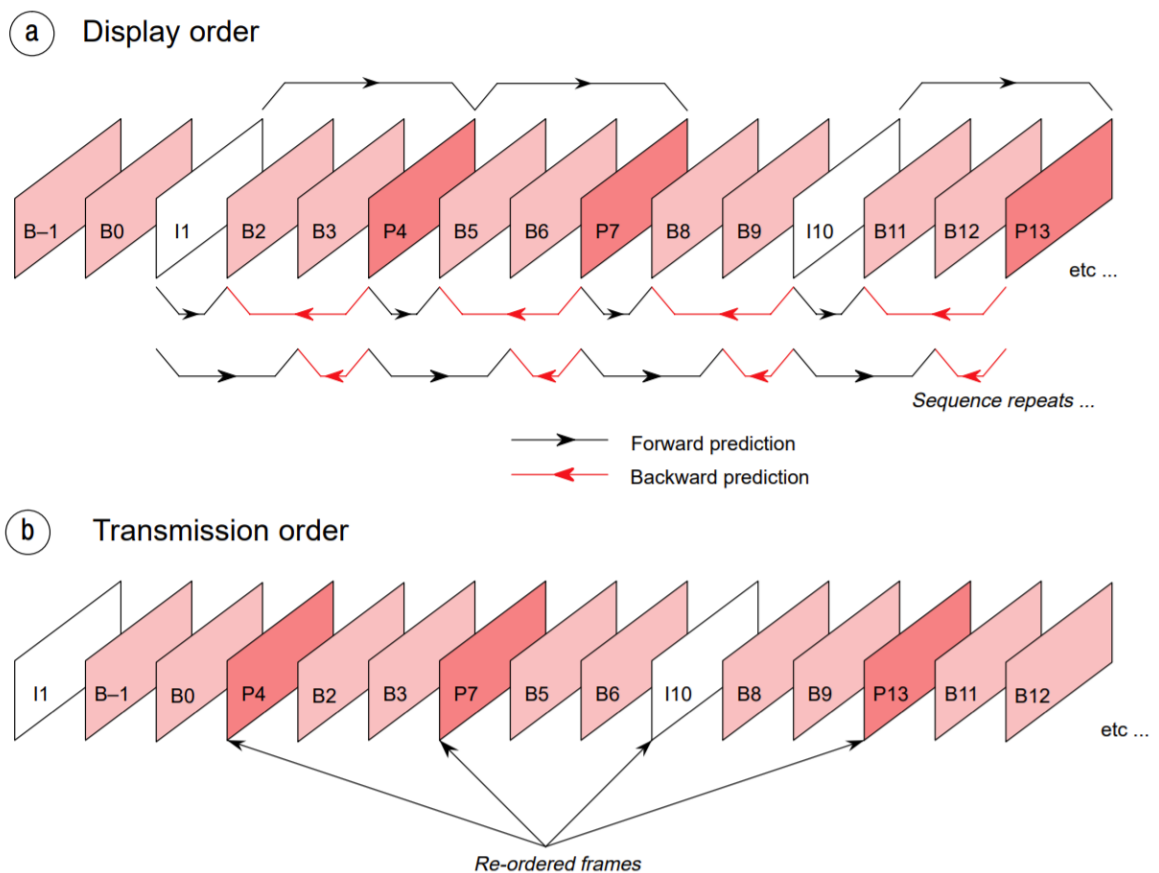


Figure of transmission vs display order. [1]

d)

Main differences

- Variable block-size motion compensation with small block sizes
- Quarter-sample-accurate motion compensation
- Extension of the B pictures
- Multiple reference picture motion compensation

Others

- Motion vectors over picture boundaries
- Decoupling of referencing order from display order
- Decoupling of picture representation methods from picture referencing capability:
- Weighted prediction:
- Improved "skipped" and "direct" motion inference:
- Directional spatial prediction for intra coding
- In-the-loop deblocking filtering

2 Decomposition/Transform

a)

The transform that usually have been used in classic video coders are discrete cosine transformers (8×8 for MPEG-1). For H.264 uses integer DCT (4×4).

b)

Block-transform-based video/still image coders usually exhibit so-called blocking artifacts. How is this effect minimized in H.264? (10 points)

In H.264 a deblocking filter is used to minimize the blocking noise from the DCT. In H.264 the deblocking filter is standard in difference to MPEG-1/2/4 where it was an optional additional feature in the decoder.

3 Video coding

We have that $\sigma_x = 1$

$$\sigma_z^2 = \sigma_x^2(1 - \rho)^2$$

$$\sigma_z^2 = 1 \cdot (1 - 0.9^2)$$

$$\sigma_z^2 = 0.19$$

\ First for every second pixel

$$\sigma_e^2 = E[(Z[n] - Z'[n])^2] = E[(Z[n] - a \times Z''[n+1])^2]$$

To minimize we want to derivate wrt a and set equal to 0.

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta a} \sigma_e^2 = \frac{\delta}{\delta a} E[(Z[n] - a \times Z''[n+1])^2] \quad \text{\ We can write out the expression. And use the}$$

information that $E[Z[n]] = 1$ and $E[Z[n]Z[n+k]] = 0.9^{|k|}$, and that we can approximate

$$Z[n] = Z'[n]$$

$$E[(Z[n] - a \times Z''[n+1])^2] = E[Z[n]^2 - 2 \times a \times Z[n]Z[n+1] + a^2 \times Z[n+1]^2] = 1 - 2 \times a \times$$

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta a} \sigma_e^2 = 0 \text{ gives } \frac{\delta}{\delta a} (1 - 2 \times a \times 0.9 + a^2) = 0 \quad \text{\ } -2 \times 0.9 + 2a = 0 \quad \text{\ } a = 0.9 \quad \text{\ }$$

$$\sigma_e^2 = E[(Z[n] - 0.9 \times Z''[n+1])^2] \quad \text{\ }$$

$$\sigma_e^2 = E[Z[n]^2 - 2 \times Z[n] \times 0.9 \times Z''[n+1] + 0.9^2 \times Z''[n+1]^2]$$

$$\sigma_e^2 = E[Z[n]^2] - 2 \times 0.9 \times E[Z[n] \times Z''[n+1]] + 0.9^2 E[Z''[n+1]^2]$$

$$\text{if } Z[n] = Z'[n] \text{ then } Z''[n] = Z[n] \quad \sigma_e^2 = 1 - 2 \times 0.9 \times 0.9 + 0.9^2 \quad \sigma_e^2 = 0.19$$

$$D_{\text{even}} = \frac{\pi e}{6} \times 0.19 \times 2^{-2R1} \quad \text{Where } R1 \text{ is the coded bits}$$

For the rest of the pixels \

$$\sigma_e^2 = E[(Z[n] - Z'[n])^2] = E[(Z[n] - b \times Z''[n-1] - c \times Z''[n+1])^2]$$

$$\text{minimizing as earlier. } x \text{ is } b \text{ or } c. \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \sigma_e^2 = \frac{\delta}{\delta x} E[(Z[n] - b \times Z''[n-1] - c \times Z''[n+1])^2] \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \sigma_e^2 = \frac{\delta}{\delta x} E[Z[n]^2 - 2 \times b \times Z[n]Z[n-1] - 2 \times c \times Z[n]Z[n+1] + b^2 Z[n-1]^2 + 2 \times b \times c \times \dots]$$

$$\text{\ Using that } Z[n-1]Z[n+1] = Z[n]Z[n+2] \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \sigma_e^2 = \frac{\delta}{\delta x} (1 - 2 \times b \times 0.9 - 2 \times c \times 0.9 + b^2 + 2 \times b \times c \times 0.9^2 + c^2) \quad \text{\ derivate with}$$

$$\text{respect to } b \text{ gives } \frac{\delta}{\delta b} \sigma_e^2 = \frac{\delta}{\delta b} (1 - 2 \times b \times 0.9 - 2 \times c \times 0.9 + b^2 + 2 \times b \times c \times 0.9^2 + c^2) \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta b} \sigma_e^2 = -2 \times 0.9 + 2b + 2 \times c \times 0.9^2 \quad \text{\ set equal 0 \ } -2 \times 0.9 + 2b + 2 \times c \times 0.9^2 = 0 \quad b = -c \times 0.81 + 0.9 \quad \text{\ wrt } c \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta c} \sigma_e^2 = \frac{\delta}{\delta c} (1 - 2 \times b \times 0.9 - 2 \times c \times 0.9 + b^2 + 2 \times b \times c \times 0.9^2 + c^2) \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta c} \sigma_e^2 = -2 \times 0.9 + 2 \times b \times 0.9^2 + 2c \quad \text{\ set equal 0 \ }$$

$$2 \times 0.9 + 2b + 2 \times b \times 0.9^2 = 0 \quad c = -b \times 0.81 - 0.9 \quad \text{\ this gives } c=b \quad -2 \times 0.9 + 2 \times b \times 0.9^2 + 2b = 0 \quad b = \frac{0.9}{0.81+1} = 0.4972 = c \quad \text{\ putting this into } \sigma_e^2 \quad \sigma_e^2 = 1 - 2 \times 0.4972 \times 0.9 - 2 \times 0.4972 \times 0.9 + 0.4972^2 + 2 \times 0.4972 \times 0.4972 \times 0.9^2 + 0.4972^2 \quad D_{\text{odd}} = \frac{\pi e}{6} \times \sigma_e^2 \times 2^{-2R2} \quad \text{\ Where we can assume that } Z'[n] = Z[n] \quad D_{\text{odd}} = \frac{\pi e}{6} \times 0.10497 \times 2^{-2R2} \quad \text{\ Where } R1 \text{ is the coded bits}$$

$$\text{Average distortion \ } D = \frac{\pi e}{6} \times (0.19 \times 2^{-2R1} + 0.10497 \times 2^{-2R2}) \quad R = \frac{1}{2}(R1 + R2)$$

$$R2 = R1 - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{0.19}{0.10497} \quad D = \frac{\pi e}{6} \times (0.19 \times 2^{-2R1} + 0.10497 \times 2^{-2R2}) \quad D = \frac{\pi e}{6} \times (\sqrt{0.19 \times 0.10497} \times 2^{-2R}) \quad \frac{\pi e}{6} \times 0.1412 \times 2^{-2R} \quad \text{\ from the hint:}$$

$$D_{\text{even}} = \frac{\pi e}{6} \times \sigma_e^2 \times 2^{-2R1} \quad \text{\ Where we can assume that } Z'[n] = Z[n]$$

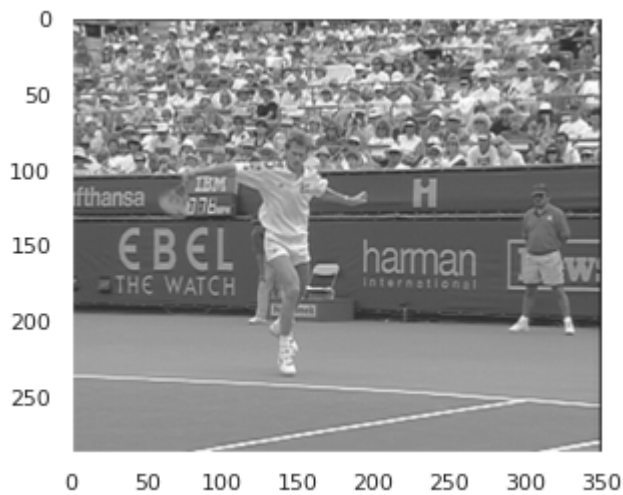
4 Motion estimation

a)

In []:

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im25 = cv.imread('frame_25.png', cv.IMREAD_GRAYSCALE).astype(np.int16)
im26 = cv.imread('frame_26.png', cv.IMREAD_GRAYSCALE).astype(np.int16)
im27 = cv.imread('frame_27.png', cv.IMREAD_GRAYSCALE).astype(np.int16)

plt.imshow(im25, cmap='gray')
plt.show()
```



In []:

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im25
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Out []:

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array([[ 33,  33,  34, ...,  32,  32,  34],
       [ 33,  33,  32, ...,  34,  34,  34],
       [ 26,  27,  24, ...,  41,  35,  37],
       ...,
       [144, 143, 144, ...,  66,  29,  37],
       [143, 142, 144, ...,  63,  28,  37],
       [143, 144, 145, ...,  60,  28,  36]], dtype=int16)
```

In []:

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def reshape_split(image: np.ndarray, kernel_size: tuple):
    img_height, img_width = image.shape
    try:
        tile_height, tile_width, channels = kernel_size
    except:
        tile_height, tile_width = kernel_size
        channels = 1
    if channels == 1:
        tiled_array = image.reshape(img_height // tile_height,
                                    tile_height,
                                    img_width // tile_width,
                                    tile_width
                                    )
    else:
        tiled_array = image.reshape(img_height // tile_height,
                                    tile_height,
                                    img_width // tile_width,
                                    tile_width
                                    , channels)
    tiled_array = tiled_array.swapaxes(1, 2)
    return tiled_array
```

In []:

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images = [im25, im26, im27]
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In []:

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def cost_function(x1, x2):
    diff = x1 - x2
    # print(type(diff))
    return np.mean(np.square(diff), axis=(-1, -2))
```

In []:

```
from numpy.lib.index_tricks import AxisConcatenator
def gen_disp_vectors(images, block_size, search_area_size, plot_as_img=False):
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"""
Input:
images: list of two dimensional images
block_size: size of macro blocks used
search_area_size: number of pixels to search for match in horizontal and vertical

Output:
disp_vectors: list of vectors corresponding to frames N-1 to N
"""

search_area_subdivs = search_area_size//block_size
print("Num of macroblocks in search area:", search_area_subdivs)
offset_lim = search_area_subdivs-1 # makes sure search area does not go out of bou
disp_vectors = [] # List of final displacement vectors
for idx_im in range(1, len(images)):
    prev_image = images[idx_im-1]
    current_image = images[idx_im]

    prev_macro_blocks = reshape_split(prev_image, (block_size, block_size))
    current_macro_blocks = reshape_split(current_image, (block_size, block_size))
    block_shape = prev_macro_blocks.shape

    vector_shape = (block_shape[0]-offset_lim, block_shape[1]-offset_lim)
    vector_macro_blocks = np.full((vector_shape + (3,)), 0) # 3dr dim added to be ea

    for macro_block_vidx in range(block_shape[0]-offset_lim):
        for macro_block_hidx in range(block_shape[1]-offset_lim):

            search_results = np.ones((search_area_subdivs, search_area_subdivs))

            prev_macro_block = prev_macro_blocks[macro_block_vidx, macro_block_hidx]
            current_search_area = current_macro_blocks[macro_block_vidx:macro_block_vidx+
            search_area_subdivs, macro_block_hidx:macro_block_hidx+search_area_subdivs]

            search_results = cost_function(current_search_area, prev_macro_block)

            diff_min_vec = np.array(np.unravel_index(np.argmin(search_results, axis=None),
            search_results.shape))

            vector_macro_blocks[macro_block_vidx, macro_block_hidx, 0:2] = diff_min_vec

    disp_vectors.append(vector_macro_blocks)

fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.set_title('Movement from frame '+str(idx_im)+' to frame '+ str(idx_im+1))

print("image number:", idx_im)
if plot_as_img:
    ax.imshow(vector_macro_blocks*250)
else:
    x, y = np.meshgrid(np.arange(vector_shape[1]), np.arange(vector_shape[0]))
    u = vector_macro_blocks[:, :, 0]
    v = vector_macro_blocks[:, :, 1]

    ax.quiver(x, y, u, v,
              color="C0", angles='xy',
              scale_units='xy', scale=1, width=.01,
              headwidth=2, minshaft=1.5)
    plt.gca().invert_yaxis()

plt.show()

return disp_vectors

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In []:

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vecs16 = gen_disp_vectors(images, block_size=16, search_area_size=32, plot_as_img=Fa
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Num of macroblocks in search area: 2

image number: 1

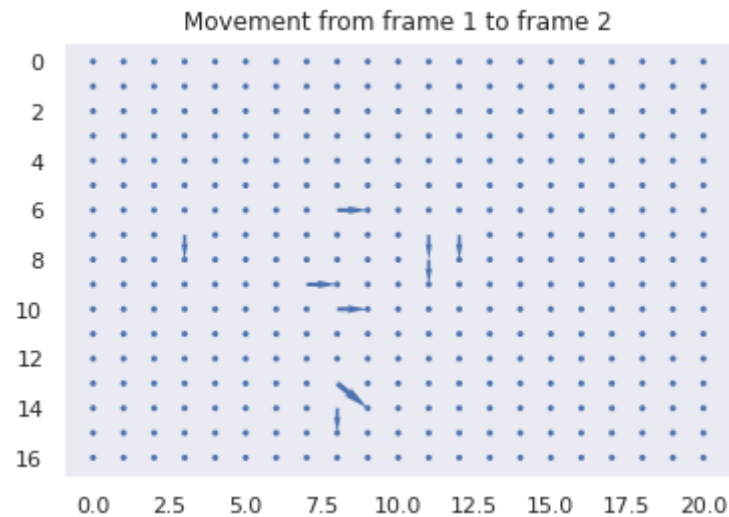
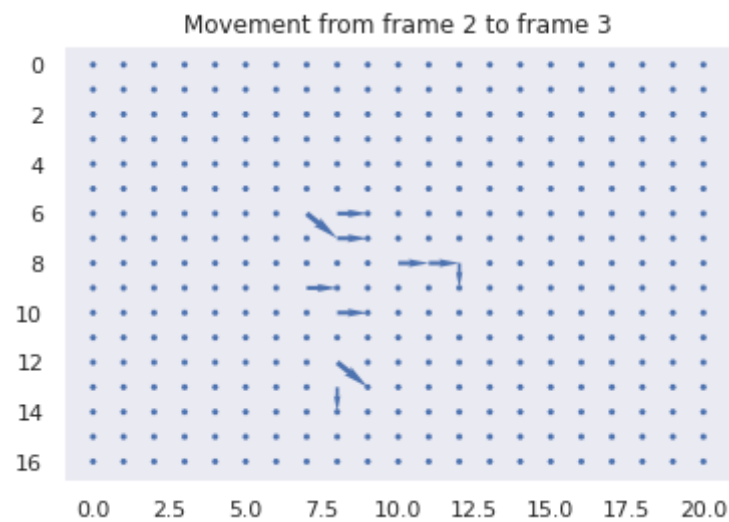


image number: 2



b)

In []:

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vecs8 = gen_disp_vectors(images, block_size=8, search_area_size=32, plot_as_img=False)
vecs8 = gen_disp_vectors(images, block_size=8, search_area_size=32, plot_as_img=True)
```

Num of macroblocks in search area: 4

image number: 1

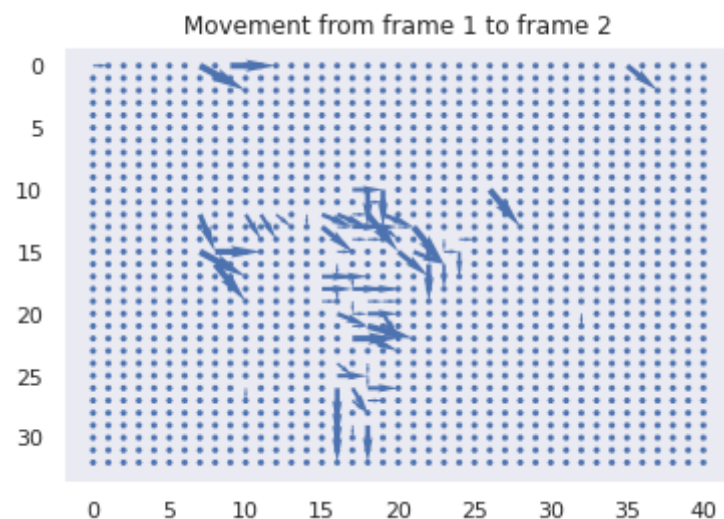
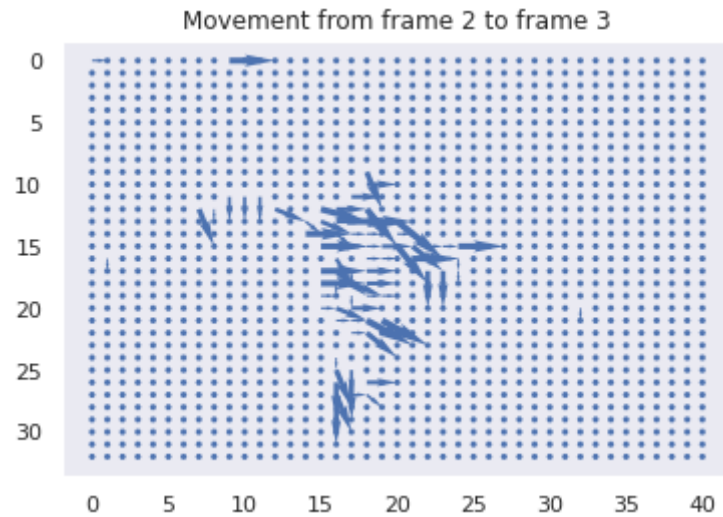


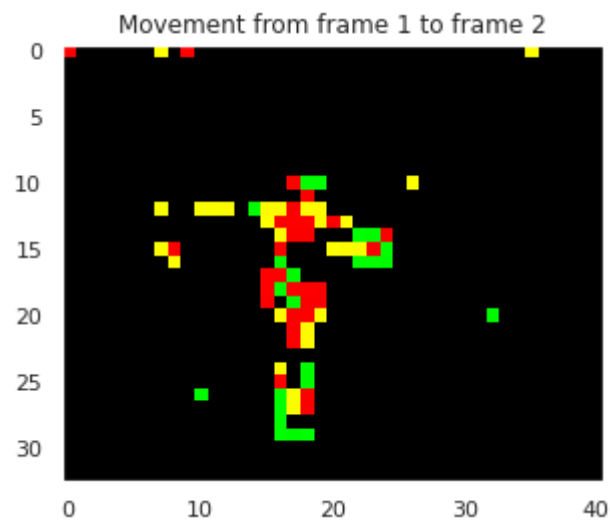
image number: 2



Clipping input data to the valid range for imshow with RGB data ([0..1] for floats or [0..255] for integers).

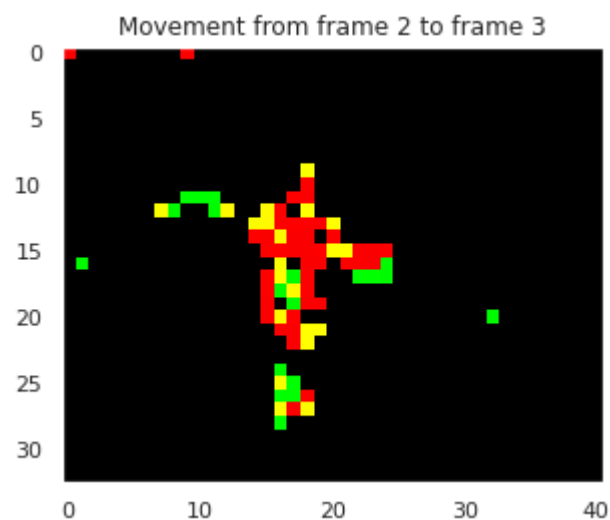
Num of macroblocks in search area: 4

image number: 1



Clipping input data to the valid range for imshow with RGB data ([0..1] for floats or [0..255] for integers).

image number: 2



Affect on number of operations

Going from 16x16 macro blocks to 8x8 blocks in an search area of 32x32 quadruple the number of possible blocks considered for movement bewteen frames. This also result in quadruple the amout of operations.

Referances

- [1] [MPEG video coding, Dr. S.R. Ely \(BBC\), EBU Technical Review Winter 1995](#)