

Multiple View Geometry: Exercise Sheet 5

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Part II: Practical Exercises

This exercise is to be solved during the tutorial.

Harris Corner Detector

In this exercise you will implement the Harris corner detector.

Hint: Again, it is possible to implement this exercise without loops. However, we recommend to start with a loop-based version, and only afterwards replace the loops by single function calls. For quick testing, we provide a small image small.png.

- 1. Download ex5.zip from the website.
- 2. Compute the structure tensor as introduced in the lecture for every pixel of the image. Implement the missing parts in getM.m.
 - (a) Compute the image gradients I_x and I_y (in x- and y-direction) using central differences.
 - (b) As weighting function use a two-dimensional Gaussian Kernel with a standard deviation of $\sigma_w = 2$. Compute the kernel size k (and hence the integration window size) as $k = 2*(2*\sigma_w) + 1$.

Hint: you can use fspecial (see Exercise Sheet 1).

(c) The structure tensor M for pixel x, y is a 2×2 matrix, which summarizes the structure of the image in the vicinity (determined by σ_w) of the pixel x, y. It can e.g. be interpreted as (weighted) covariance matrix of the image gradient around the pixel, and is computed as

$$M(x,y) := \sum_{(x',y')} w(x'-x,y'-y) \begin{pmatrix} I_x^2(x',y') & I_x(x',y')I_y(x',y') \\ I_x(x',y')I_y(x',y') & I_y^2(x',y') \end{pmatrix}$$
(1)

where I_x and I_y are the x and y image gradients, and w is the weighting function. Hint: use conv2.

- 3. Compute the scoring function $C(x,y) := \det(M(x,y)) \kappa \operatorname{trace}^2(M(x,y))$ using $\kappa = 0.05$. Therefore, complete the missing parts in getHarrisCorners.m. Visualize the scoring function using imagesc. Hint: if you cannot see much, try to display a non-linearly transformed scoring function, e.g. $\operatorname{sign}(C) \cdot |C|^{\frac{1}{4}}$.
- 4. Find all pixels x for which $C(x) > \theta$, and which are a local maximum of the scoring function, i.e., all four adjacent pixel have a lower score (non-maximum suppression). Use $\theta = 10^{-7}$. Display the found Harris Corners using the provided function drawPts.
- 5. Try different values for σ_w what do you observe?



Patch Tracking

Compute the local velocity of each pixel from img1 to img2 in file getFlow.m.

- 1. Again, compute the image gradients I_x and I_y as well as the time derivative I_t .
- 2. Compute the structure tensor (re-use the first exercise), considering also the Gaussian weighting function.
- 3. Compute the local velocity of each pixel using the formula from the slides.
- 4. Visualize your result using imagesc.