Computer Vision II: Multiple View Geometry (IN2228)

Chapter 05 Correspondence Estimation
(Part 2 Large Motion)

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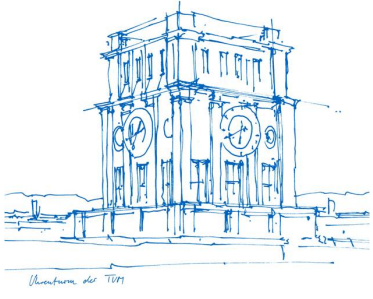


Announcement

➢ Updated Lecture Schedule

For updates, slides, and additional materials:
https://cvg.cit.tum.de/teaching/ss2023/cv2

90-minute course; 45-minute course

Wed 19.04.2023 Chapter 00: Introduction
Thu 20.04.2023 Chapter 01: Mathematical Backgrounds

Wed 26.04.2023 Chapter 02: Motion and Scene Representation (Part 1)
Thu 27.04.2023 Chapter 02: Motion and Scene Representation (Part 2)

Wed 03.05.2023 Chapter 03: Image Formation (Part 1)
Thu 04.05.2023 Chapter 03: Image Formation (Part 2)

Foundation

Wed 10.05.2023 Chapter 04: Camera Calibration
Thu 11.05.2023 Chapter 05: Correspondence Estimation (Part 1)

Wed 17.05.2023 Chapter 05: Correspondence Estimation (Part 2)
Thu 18.05.2023 No lecture (Public Holiday)

Wed 24.05.2023 No lecture (Conference)
Thu 25.05.2023 No lecture (Conference)

} Videos and reading materials about the combination of deep learning and multi-view geometry

Wed 31.05.2023 Chapter 06: 2D-2D Geometry (Part 1)
Thu 01.06.2023 Chapter 06: 2D-2D Geometry (Part 2)

Wed 07.06.2023 Chapter 06: 2D-2D Geometry (Part 3)
Thu 08.06.2023 No lecture (Public Holiday)

Wed 14.06.2023 Chapter 07: 3D-2D Geometry (Part 1)
Thu 15.06.2023 Chapter 07: 3D-2D Geometry (Part 2)

Core part

Wed 21.06.2023 Chapter 08: 3D-3D Geometry (Part 1)
Thu 22.06.2023 Chapter 08: 3D-3D Geometry (Part 2)

Wed 28.06.2023 Chapter 09: Single-view Geometry (Part 1)
Thu 29.06.2023 Chapter 09: Single-view Geometry (Part 2)

Wed 05.07.2023 Chapter 10: Photometric Error (Direct Method)
Thu 06.07.2023 Chapter 11: Bundle Adjustment and Optimization

Wed 12.07.2023 Chapter 12: Robot Estimation
Thu 13.07.2023 Knowledge Review

Advanced topics and high-level task

Wed 19.07.2023 Chapter 13: SLAM and SFM (Part 2)
Thu 20.07.2023 Chapter 13: SLAM and SFM (Part 1)

Announcement

- Updated Lecture Schedule

Though we do not have lectures on 24 and 25 May, the **exercise session will still be held normally on 24 May**.

Wed 24.05.2023 No lecture (Conference)
Thu 25.05.2023 No lecture (Conference)

} Videos and reading materials about the combination of deep learning and multi-view geometry

Tentative Exercise Schedule

Wed 26.04.2023 Exercise 1: Introduction

Wed 03.05.2023 Exercise 2: Mathematical Background

Wed 10.05.2023 Exercise 3: Representing a Moving Scene

Wed 24.05.2023 Exercise 4: Perspective Projection

Wed 31.05.2023 Exercise 5: Lucas-Kanade Method

Wed 14.06.2023 Exercise 6: Reconstruction from two views

Wed 21.06.2023 Exercise 7: Reconstruction from multiple views

Wed 05.07.2023 Exercise 8: Direct Image Alignment

Wed 12.07.2023 Exercise 9: Direct Image Alignment

Explanations for Previous Knowledge

➢ Which Points Should We Track?

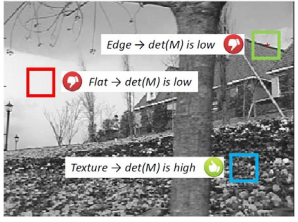
✓ Theoretical strategy

Eigenvalues

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x I_x & \sum I_x I_y \\ \sum I_x I_y & \sum I_y I_y \end{bmatrix} = R^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} R$$

I_x and I_y: Directional derivatives

Eigenvectors



Problem: relatively low efficiency due to judgement on **all the pixels** in an image

✓ Practical solution

Only first image: judge **each** pixel

Subsequent images: only consider the **tracked** points

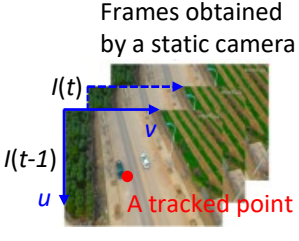
Explanations for Previous Knowledge

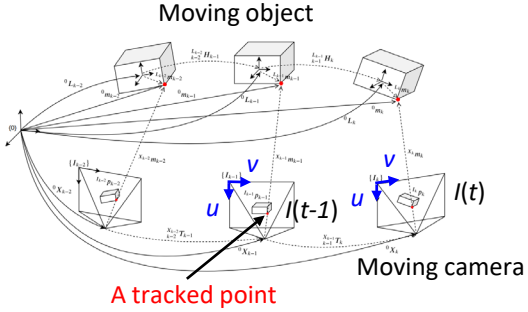
- Brightness Consistency

✓ Video *I* (sequential images) is w.r.t. the time *t*. A tracked point's position *x* is also w.r.t. the time *t*.

✓ We use the pixel coordinate system whose origin is located at the top-left of image.

$$I(x(t), t) = \text{const.} \quad \forall t,$$





Explanations for Previous Knowledge

➢ Chicken-and-egg Problem

✓ Definition

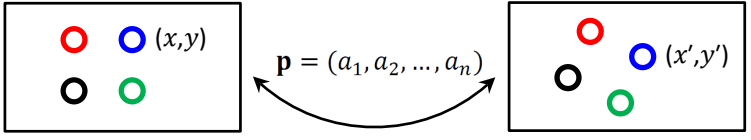
A problem has two sets of unknown parameters. Parameters are mutually determined.

✓ Examples

$$x' = xcos(a_3) - ysin(a_3) + a_1$$
$$y' = xsin(a_3) + ycos(a_3) + a_2$$

(x,y) and (x',y') constitute a pair of unknown-but-sought correspondences

$\mathbf{p} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ are warping parameters to estimate



Explanations for Previous Knowledge

- Chicken-and-egg Problem

✓ Solution

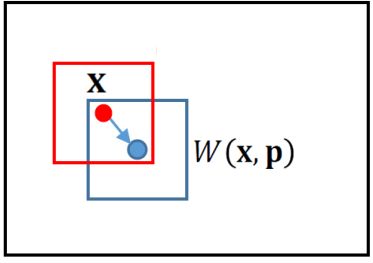
Find **additional constraint** to solve parameters.

2nd image
(current image)

$$SSD = \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{T}} \left[I(W(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p})) - T(\mathbf{x}) \right]^2$$

1st image
(template image)

e.g. **Additional constraint:**
Brightness consistency



Brightness consistency

Today's Outline

- Overview of Indirect Method
- Feature Detector
- Feature Descriptor
- A More Effective Method: SIFT
- Other Methods

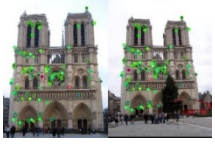
Overview of Indirect Method

- Recap on Problem Formulation

- ✓ Core idea: To compute the transformation between two images, we resort to detecting and matching features (points or lines).
- ✓ Pros: They can cope with **large** frame-to-frame **motions** and strong illumination changes.
- ✓ Cons: They are slow due to costly feature extraction, matching, and outlier removal (e.g., RANSAC).

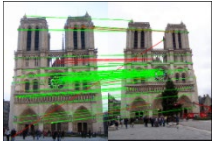
Direct method (KLT):

A one-step strategy

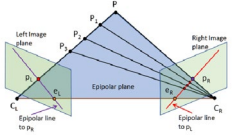


Feature detection

Inliers
Outliers



Feature matching

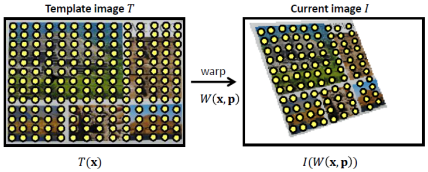


Transformation estimation

Indirect method: A two-step strategy

Overview of Indirect Method

- Recap on Problem Formulation



✓ Pipeline for alignment between template and current images

1. Detect and match features that are invariant to scale, rotation, view point changes (e.g., SIFT)

2. Transformation computation and Geometric verification (e.g., 4 point RANSAC for planar objects, or 5 or 8 point RANSAC for 3D objects)

3. Refine the initial estimation by minimizing the sum of squared reprojection errors between the observed feature $\boldsymbol{f}^i$ in the current image and the warped corresponding feature $W(\mathbf{x}^i, \mathbf{p})$ from the template

$$\mathbf{p} = argmin_{\mathbf{p}} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left\| W(\mathbf{x}^i, \mathbf{p}) - \boldsymbol{f}^i \right\|^2$$

2D coordinates of points

Geometric feature (point) distance

Feature Detector

- Definition of Blob

- ✓ A blob is a group of **connected pixels** in an image that share some common property (e.g, grayscale value).
- ✓ In the image below, the colored regions are blobs, and **blob detection** aims to identify and mark these regions.

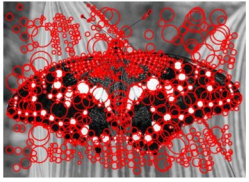
Feature Detector

- Comparison between Corner and Blob

✓ A **corner** is defined as the intersection of two or more edges
- Corners have **high localization** accuracy
- Corners are **less distinctive than blobs**
- E.g., Moravec, Harris, Shi-Tomasi, SUSAN, FAST

Corners

✓ **Blob** introduced before
- Blobs have less localization accuracy than corners
- Blobs are more distinctive than corners
- E.g., MSER, LOG, DOG (SIFT), SURF, CenSurE, etc.



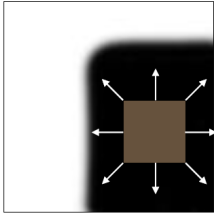
Blobs

Methods shown in blue will be mainly discussed today

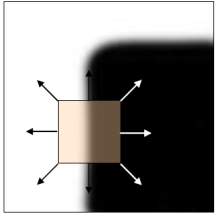
Feature Detector

➢ Corner Detection

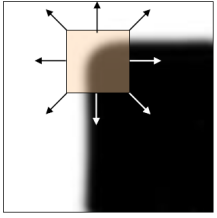
- ✓ Key observation: in the region around a corner, the image gradient has multiple dominant directions (e.g., vertical, horizontal, and diagonal).
- ✓ Shifting a window in any direction should cause large intensity changes around a corner.



"flat" region:
no intensity change
(i.e., SSD ≈ 0 in all directions)



"edge":
no change along the edge direction
(i.e., SSD ≈ 0 along edge but $\gg 0$ in other directions)



"corner":
significant change in all directions
(i.e., SSD $\gg 0$ in all directions)

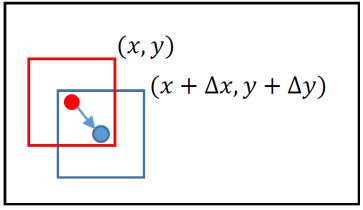
Feature Detector

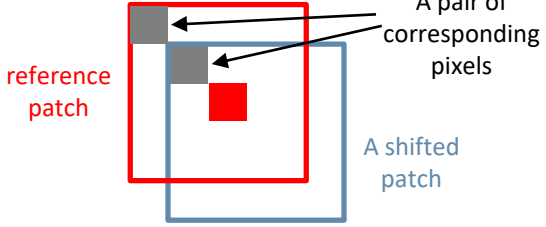
➢ Corner Detection

- ✓ We use Sum of Squared Differences (SSD) to measure the brightness change.
- ✓ Consider the reference patch and a patch **shifted by** $(\Delta x, \Delta y)$. The Sum of Squared Differences between them is

$$SSD(\Delta x, \Delta y) = \sum_{x,y \in \Omega} (I(x,y) - I(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y))^2$$

SSD along the direction along the diagonal





Feature Detector

- 对于两个斑块，计算所有对应像素对之间的平方差之和（SSD）。
- 较低的SSD表明两个斑块之间的相似度较高。
- 考虑沿多个方向的SSD。一个斑块的兴趣测量被定义为最小的SSD。
- 如果一个补丁的兴趣测量值高于阈值，那么该补丁中心就是一个角。

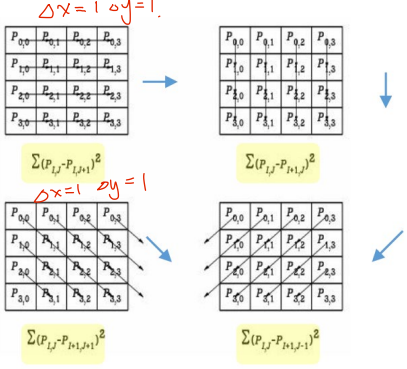
➢ Corner Detection

✓ Moravec's method

- For two patches, compute the **sum of squared differences** (SSD) between all pairs of corresponding pixels.
- A lower SSD indicates higher similarity between two patches.
- Consider SSD along multiple directions. The **interest measurement** of a patch is defined as the smallest SSD.
- If a patch's interest measurement is higher than a threshold, the patch center is a corner.

↓ SSD ⇔ similiarity
↑ SSD ⇔ dist ⇔ corner

✓ We have to physically shift the window. Can we make it more efficient?



Horizontal, vertical, and two diagonals

Feature Detector

$$f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a)$$

The first-order Taylor polynomial

➢ Corner Detection

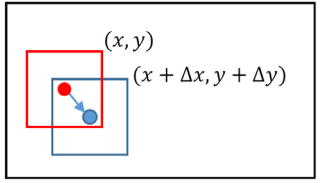
✓ Approximating with a 1st order Taylor expansion (introduced before):

$$SSD(\Delta x, \Delta y) = \sum_{x,y \in \Omega} \left(I(x,y) - I(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y)\right)^2$$

We no longer minimize SSD but just measure SSD here!

$$I(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y) \approx I(x,y) + I_x(x,y)\Delta x + I_y(x,y)\Delta y$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad SSD(\Delta x, \Delta y) \approx \sum_{x,y \in \Omega} \left(I_x(x,y)\Delta x + I_y(x,y)\Delta y\right)^2$$



This is a quadratic function in two variables (Δx, Δy)

Feature Detector

- Corner Detection

✓ Matrix form of approximation result

$$SSD(\Delta x, \Delta y) \approx \sum_{x,y \in \Omega} \left(I_x(x,y)\Delta x + I_y(x,y)\Delta y \right)^2$$

$$SSD(\Delta x, \Delta y) \approx \sum_{x,y \in \Omega} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x & \Delta y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2 & I_x I_y \\ I_x I_y & I_y^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ \Delta y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x & \Delta y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x^2 & \sum I_x I_y \\ \sum I_x I_y & \sum I_y^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ \Delta y \end{bmatrix}$$

Manually selected

This matrix encodes the SSD change

eigenvalues ↓ big λ stand for significant intensive vary

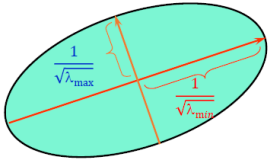
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x I_x & \sum I_x I_y \\ \sum I_x I_y & \sum I_y I_y \end{bmatrix} = R^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} R$$

Eigenvalues

Eigenvectors

I_x and I_y: Directional derivatives

direction of quickest change of SSD



direction of the slowest change of SSD

Feature Detector

➢ Corner Detection

✓ Conclusion

If both eigenvalues are much larger than 0 then we have a corner.

Edge

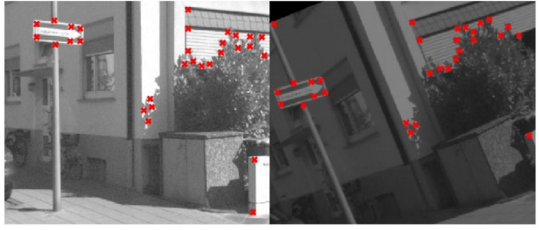
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x^2 & \sum I_x I_y \\ \sum I_x I_y & \sum I_y^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Flat region

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x^2 & \sum I_x I_y \\ \sum I_x I_y & \sum I_y^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Corner

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x^2 & \sum I_x I_y \\ \sum I_x I_y & \sum I_y^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\frac{\pi}{4} & -\sin\frac{\pi}{4} \\ \sin\frac{\pi}{4} & \cos\frac{\pi}{4} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\frac{\pi}{4} & \sin\frac{\pi}{4} \\ -\sin\frac{\pi}{4} & \cos\frac{\pi}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$



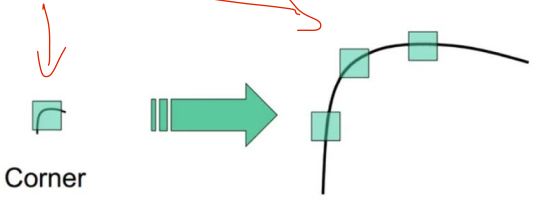
Representative results

Feature Detector

➢ Corner Detection

- ✓ The above method **without explicitly shifting patch** is called **Harris detector**
- ✓ The Harris detector is not scale invariant (same patch size is not applicable to different scales of images)

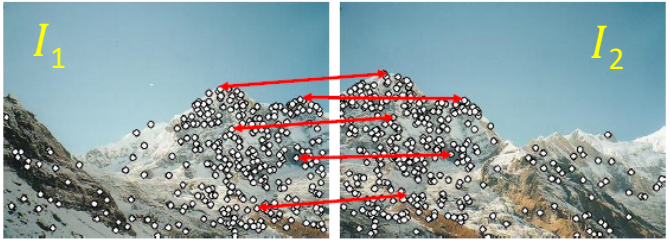
An example: we apply the same window/patch size to two images with different scales



Feature Descriptor

➢ Feature Matching Based on Descriptor

✓ Given a detected point in I_1, how to find the best match in I_2?



- Define point descriptors, e.g., Census, HOG, ORB , BRIEF , BRISK, FREAK.
- Define distance function that compares two descriptors, e.g., SSD , SAD , NCC or Hamming distance.

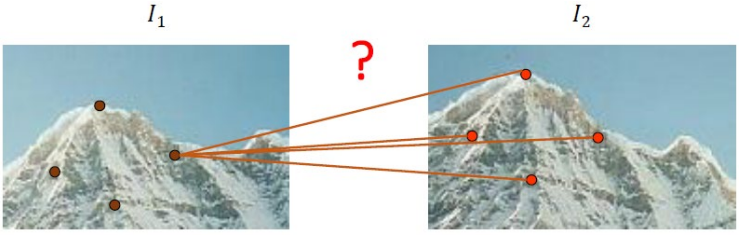
Feature Descriptor

➢ Feature Matching Based on Descriptor

✓ A naive matching strategy: Brute force matching

check all points pairs $O(N^2)$

- Here, we assume that detected points, point descriptions are both known.
- Compare each feature in I_1 against all the features in I_2 (N^2 comparisons, where N is the number of features in each image).
- Select the point pair with the minimum distance, i.e., the closest description.



Feature Descriptor

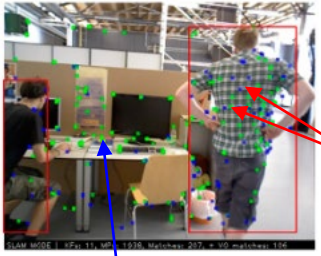
➢ Feature Matching Based on Descriptor

✓ Issue with closest descriptor:
Algorithm can occasionally return good scores for false matches
A solution: compute ratio of distances to 1st to 2nd closest descriptor

$$\frac{d_1}{d_2} < Threshold\ (usually\ 0.8)$$

Distinctive enough

where:
d_1 is the distance from the closest descriptor
d_2 is the distance of the 2nd closest descriptor



Unreliable points due to repetitive pattern

Distinctive points

Feature Descriptor

➢ Distance Function Definition

✓ Similarity measurement (applicable to both 2D and 1D)

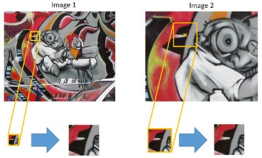
- **Sum of Squared Differences (SSD):** always ≥ 0. It's exactly 0 only if H and F are identical

$$SSD = \sum_{u=-k}^{k}\sum_{v=-k}^{k}\left(H(u,v) - F(u,v)\right)^2$$

H and F denote left and right patches/descriptors respectively

- Sum of Absolute Differences (SAD): always ≥ 0. It's 0 only if H and F are identical

$$SAD = \sum_{u=-k}^{k}\sum_{v=-k}^{k}\left|H(u,v) - F(u,v)\right|$$



2D patches

1D descriptors

Feature Descriptor

➢ Distance Function Definition

✓ Similarity measurement

- Normalized Cross Correlation (NCC): ranges between -1 and +1 and is exactly 1 if H and F are identical

(1,1) and (1,1): NCC = 1

$$NCC = \frac{\sum_{u=-k}^{k}\sum_{v=-k}^{k} H(u,v)F(u,v)}{\sqrt{\sum_{u=-k}^{k}\sum_{v=-k}^{k} H(u,v)^2}\sqrt{\sum_{u=-k}^{k}\sum_{v=-k}^{k} F(u,v)^2}}$$

(1,1) and (-1,-1): NCC = -1

- To account for the difference in the average intensity of two images (typically caused by additive illumination changes), we subtract the mean value of each image:

$$\mu_H = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{u=-k}^{k}\sum_{v=-k}^{k} H(u,v) \qquad \mu_F = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{u=-k}^{k}\sum_{v=-k}^{k} F(u,v)$$

$$\Rightarrow ZSSD = \sum_{u=-k}^{k}\sum_{v=-k}^{k}\left(\left(H(u,v)-\mu_H\right)-\left(F(u,v)-\mu_F\right)\right)^2$$

Zero-mean

Feature Descriptor

- 描述符是对一个特征周围的像素信息的 "描述"。
- "独特性 "是指描述符能够唯一地将一个特征与其他特征区分开来，而不会产生歧义。

➢ Properties of Descriptor

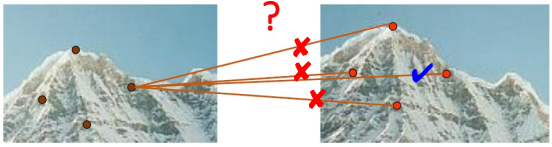
✓ Distinctiveness of a feature descriptor

- A descriptor is a “description” of the pixel information **around** a feature.
- “Distinctiveness” means that the descriptor can uniquely distinguish a feature from the other features **without ambiguity**.

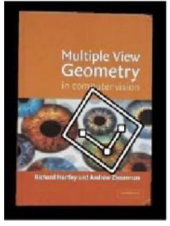
distinct descriptor

✓ Robustness to geometric changes

- Scale-invariant (for zooming)
- Rotation-invariant
- View point-invariant (for perspective changes)



Distinctiveness



Geometric changes

Feature Descriptor

- Properties of Descriptor

小的照度变化是用仿生变换（所谓的仿生照度变化）变化来模拟的：

✓ Robustness to illumination changes

- Small illumination changes are modelled with an affine transformation (so called affine illumination changes) changes:

Intensities

$$I'(x,y) = \alpha I(x,y) + \beta$$

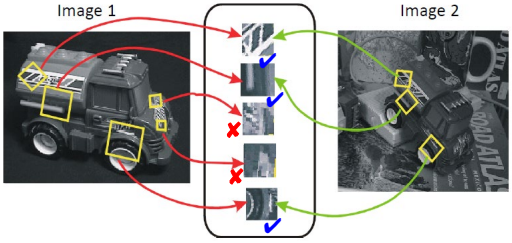
Feature Descriptor

➢ Traditional Method based on Patch Warping

- 确定每个补丁的比例、旋转和视点变化（后面介绍）。
- 将每个补丁翘曲成一个经典的补丁。
- 根据翘曲补丁的相似性建立补丁的对应关系。

✓ General pipeline

- Determine the scale, rotation and viewpoint change of each patch (introduced later).
- Warp each patch into a canonical patch.
- Establish patch correspondences based on similarity of the warped patch.

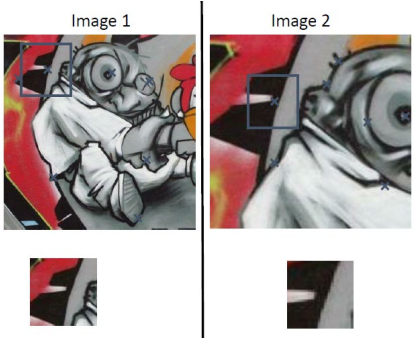


Feature Descriptor

➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ Problem formulation

Two image patches have the same size, but are in the **images with different scales**. How can we match these patches?



Images with **different scales**

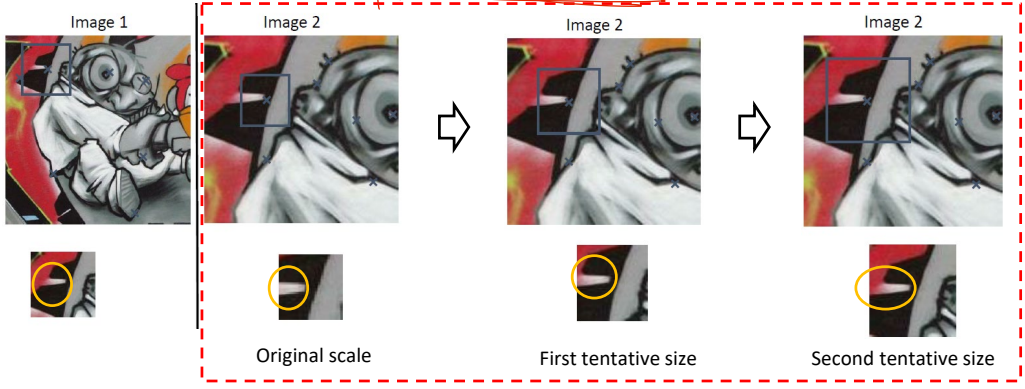
Two patches with **the same size** ⇒ need appropriate window size

Feature Descriptor

➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ A possible solution

Keep the **left patch unchanged, and resize the right patch** with different tentative sizes.

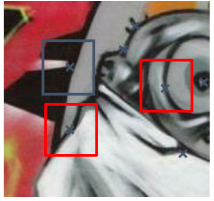


Feature Descriptor

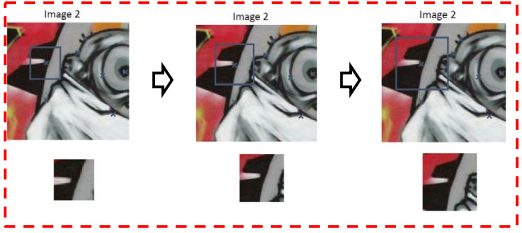
➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ Patch size search is time-consuming

- We need to individually re-size **all the patches** in the right image.
- Algorithm complexity is N^2S assuming N features per image and S tentative sizes per feature.



N patches



S sizes

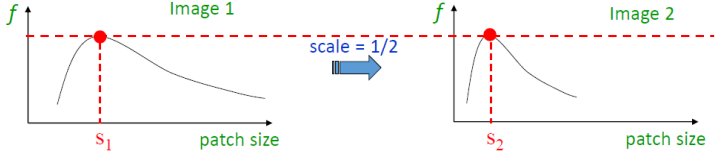
- A better solution of automatic size selection: We aim to "**automatically" assign each patch (both left and right) its own size**.

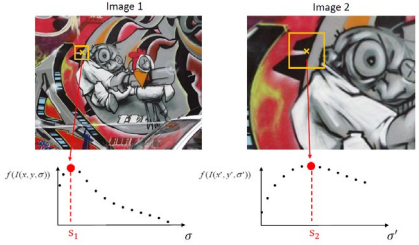
Feature Descriptor

➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ Overview of automatic size selection

- Core idea: Assign a **function** to the image patch. The **function extremum** is scale invariant.
- Specifically, this function has **the same extremum** for **a pair of patches at different scales**.





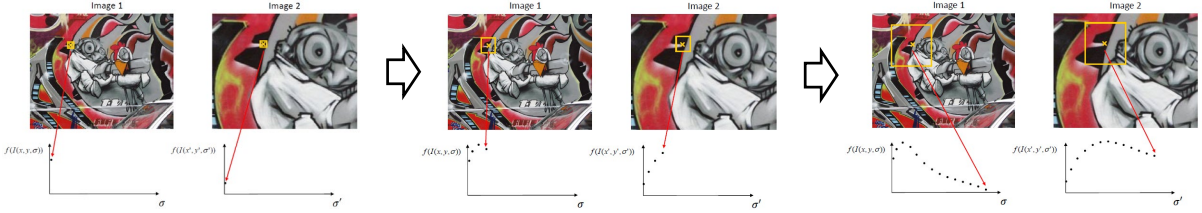
- When the left patch is resized by s_1, and the right patch is resized by s_2, their associated function extrema are the same. Accordingly, s_1 and s_2 are our automatically determined sizes of patches.

Feature Descriptor

➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ An example of automatic scale selection

- Patches with **the same size** correspond to **different function values**.



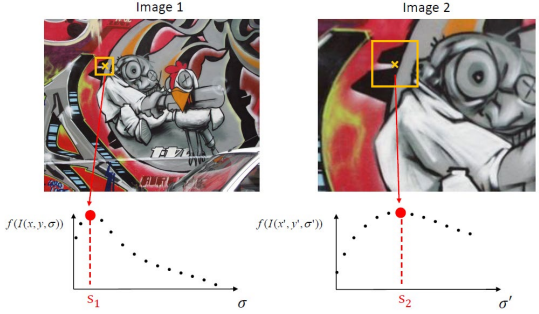
- Intuitively, only if two patches correspond to **the same 3D area**, their associated extreme values of function are the same.

Feature Descriptor

➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ An example of automatic scale selection

- Two patches with different sizes correspond to the same 3D areas.
- These two patches lead to the same extreme value of function.



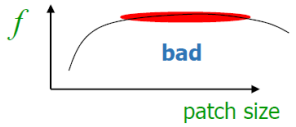
What scale-invariant function should we assign to patch?

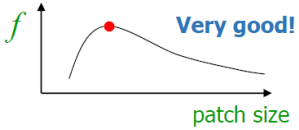
Feature Descriptor

➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ Function properties

- A “good” function for scale detection should have a single & sharp peak
- **Sharp intensity changes** are good regions to monitor in order to identify the scale

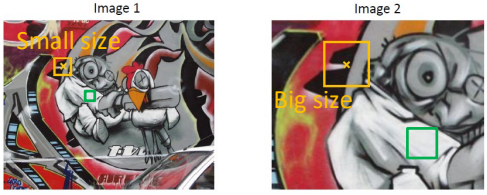




- In our context, for ease of understanding, we do not consider a more complex case (multiple extrema)

Feature Descriptor

➢ Scale of Descriptor



✓ Function selection

- Intuitively, a human can identify the scale (patch sizes) by comparing the areas with sharp brightness discontinuities. (we can easily identify the same 3D area at different scales)
- Therefore, the ideal **function** for determining the scale should be able to highlight sharp discontinuities.
- Solution: convolve image patch with a kernel that highlights edges

- 直观地说，人类可以通过比较具有鲜明亮度不连续的区域来识别尺度（斑块大小）。(我们可以很容易地识别不同尺度下的同一三维区域)
- 因此，确定尺度的理想函数应该能够突出尖锐的不连续性。
- 解决方案：用一个能突出边缘的内核来卷积图像补丁

$$f = \text{Kernel} * \text{Image}$$

Scale invariant Function

A patch

Feature Descriptor

- Scale of Descriptor

✓ Function selection

- Recap on Laplace operator

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$$
$$= [f(x+1,y) + f(x-1,y)$$
$$+ f(x,y+1) + f(x,y-1)] - 4f(x,y)$$

Laplace operator

edge detection

200	200	200		0	1	0		
200	50	200	*	1	-4	1	=	600
200	200	200		0	1	0		

Convolution

Apply **Laplace operator** to a pixel

Laplace operator highlights the pixels with sharp intensity discontinuity (e.g., edge pixels)

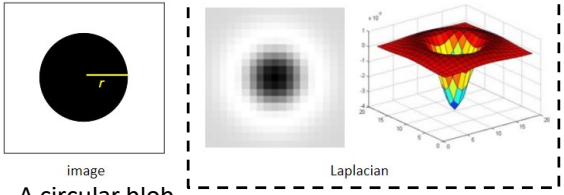
Feature Descriptor

➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ Function selection

- Extension to the blob

It has been shown that the Laplacian of Gaussian kernel is optimal under certain assumptions [1]



A circular blob

- The Laplacian of Gaussian is a circularly symmetric filter defined as:

$$LoG(x, y, \sigma) = \nabla^2 G_\sigma(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 G_\sigma(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 G_\sigma(x, y)}{\partial y^2}$$

∇^2 is the Laplacian operator: $\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}$

[1] Lindeberg, Scale-space theory: A basic tool for analysing structures at different scales, Journal of Applied Statistics, 1994

Feature Descriptor

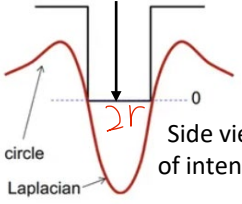
➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ Function selection

At **what scale** does the **Laplacian** achieve a maximum response (extremum) to **a binary circle of radius r**?

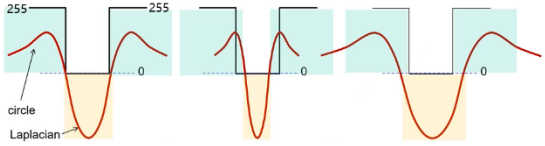
- To get the maximum response, the Laplacian has to be aligned to the circle.
- The maximum response occurs at $\sigma = r/\sqrt{2}$.

Circle pixels with low intensity (fixed)



Side view of intensity

Laplacian of Gaussian (LoG) with **adjustable** "width" (scale) σ



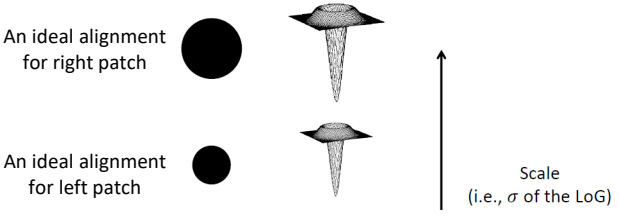
Largest response

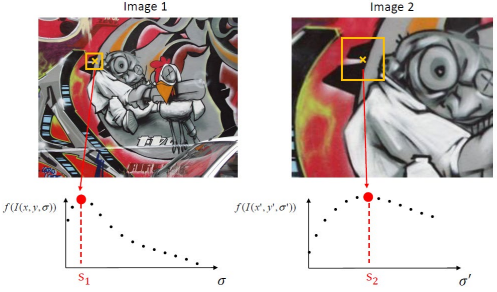
Feature Descriptor

➢ Scale of Descriptor

✓ Scale determination

- An ideal alignment between blob and LoG leads to a extrema
- The correct scale is found at the local extremum





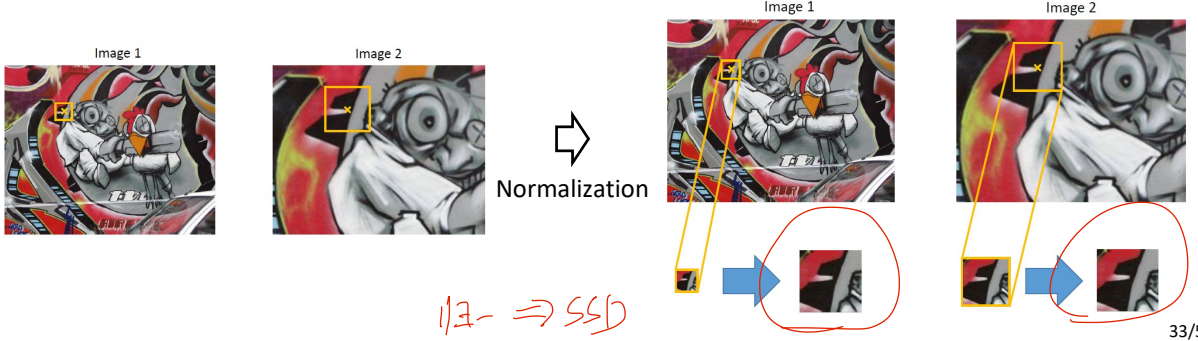
Feature Descriptor

- Scale of Descriptor

当找到合适的比例时，必须将补丁归一化为典型的尺寸，以便它们可以通过SSD进行比较。补丁的归一化是通过翘曲完成的。

✓ Post-processing

When the right scale is found, the patches must be normalized to a canonical size so that they can be compared by SSD. Patch normalization is done via warping.



归一 => SSD

Feature Descriptor

➢ Rotation of Descriptor

? 确定补丁方向 哈里斯M矩阵的特征向量（之前介绍过）或主导梯度方向（见下一张幻灯片）。

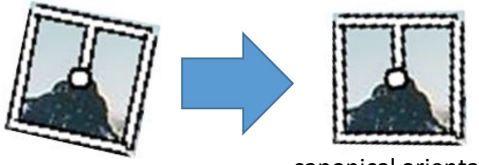
? 通过 "补丁翘曲 "对补丁进行反向旋转 这一步将补丁放回一个规范的方向上

✓ Determining patch orientation

Eigenvectors of M matrix of Harris (introduced before) or dominant gradient direction (see next slide)

✓ Back-rotating patch through “patch warping”

This step puts the patches back into a **canonical orientation**



canonical orientation

Feature Descriptor

? 一个表达补丁方向的一般管道

➢ Rotation of Descriptor

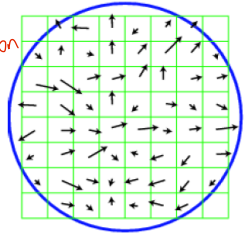
- 计算补丁内每个像素的梯度向量
- 建立一个梯度方向的直方图，由梯度大小（向量的规范）加权。
- 提取直方图中的所有局部最大值：每个高于阈值的局部最大值是一个候选的主导方向。

✓ A general pipeline to express patch orientation

- Compute gradients vectors **at each pixel** within a patch
- Build a histogram of gradient orientations, weighted by the gradient magnitudes (norm of vector).
- Extract all local maxima in the histogram: each local maximum above a threshold is a candidate dominant orientation.

Rotation ⇔ direction

One patch with multiple pixels



Feature Descriptor

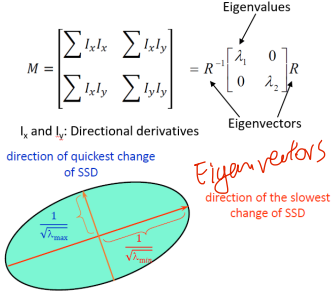
➢ Viewpoint of Descriptor

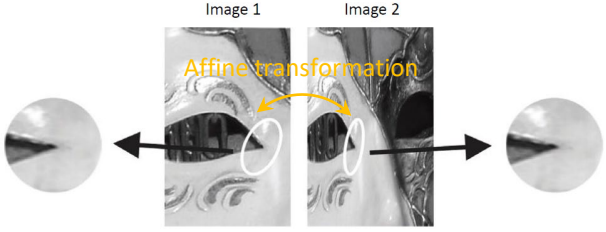
? Affine warping提供了对小视点变化的不变性。

- Harris检测器的第二矩矩阵M可以用来确定SSD在特征周围变化最快和最慢的两个方向
- 从这两个方向中，提取出一个椭圆状的补丁。
- 椭圆内的区域被归一化为一个典型的圆形补丁

✓ Affine warping provides invariance to small view-point changes

- The second moment **matrix M** of the Harris detector can be used to identify the two directions of fastest and slowest change of SSD around the feature
- Out of these two directions, an ellipse-shaped patch is extracted
- The region inside the ellipse is **normalized** to a canonical **circular patch**





? 缩放、旋转和仿生不变的补丁匹配

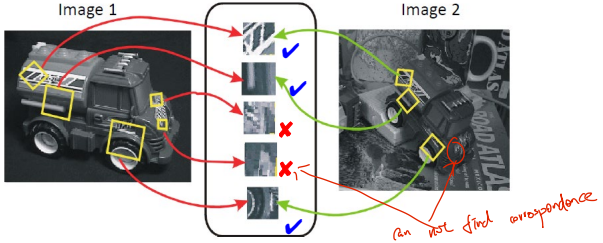
Feature Descriptor

1.刻度分配：使用LoG运算符计算刻度。
2.2.旋转分配：使用Harris或梯度直方图来寻找主导方向。如果有多个局部极值，则分配多个方向。
3.仿生不变性：使用哈里斯特征向量来提取仿生变换参数
4.将补丁扭曲成一个典型的补丁

➢ Summary

✓ Scale, rotation, and affine-invariant patch matching

1. Scale assignment: compute the scale using the LoG operator.
2. Rotation assignment: use Harris or gradient histogram to find dominant orientation. If multiple local extrema, assign multiple orientations.
3. Affine invariance : use Harris eigenvectors to extract affine transformation parameters
4. Warp the patch into a canonical patch



Feature Descriptor

➢ Disadvantages of Patch Warping Method

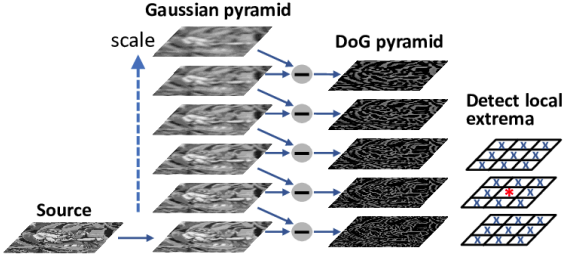
✓ If the warping is not estimated accurately, very small errors in rotation, scale, and view point will affect matching score.
✓ Such a strategy is computationally expensive since it needs to unwarp every patch.

Is there a better strategy without patch warping?

Scale-invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)

➢ Overview

✓ Step 1: Key point extraction based on extreme detection
✓ Step 2: Descriptor assignment by



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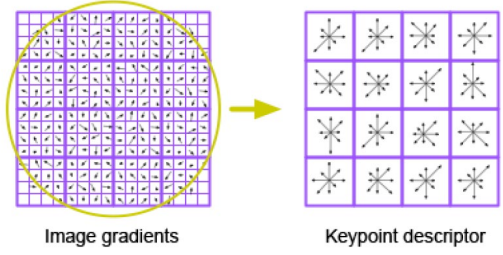


Second step

Lowe, “Distinctive Image Features from Scale Invariant Keypoints”, Internal Journal of Computer Vision, 2004.

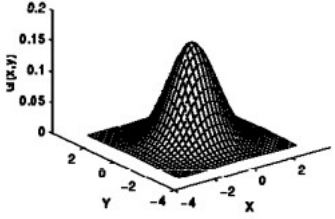
Scale-invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)

- Key Point Extraction

✓ Image blurring based on Gaussian kernel
This operation blurs the image, but maintains the image size

$$G(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

A graphical representation of the 2D Gaussian distribution with mean(0,0) and σ = 1 is shown to the right.

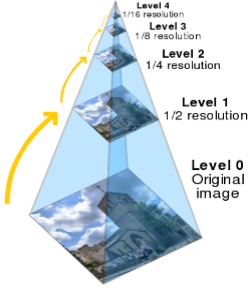


Scale-invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)

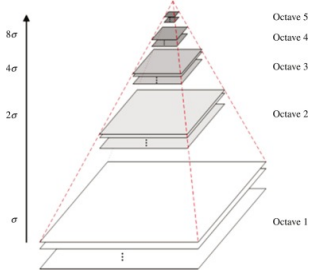
➢ Key Point Extraction

✓ Image down-sampling

This operation keeps the sharpness, but reduces the image size



Down-sampled images



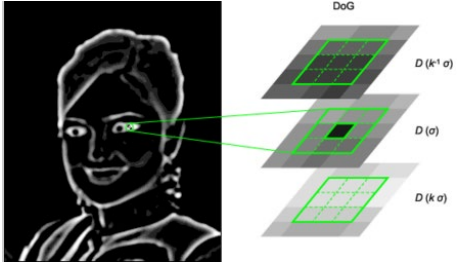
Space-scale pyramid

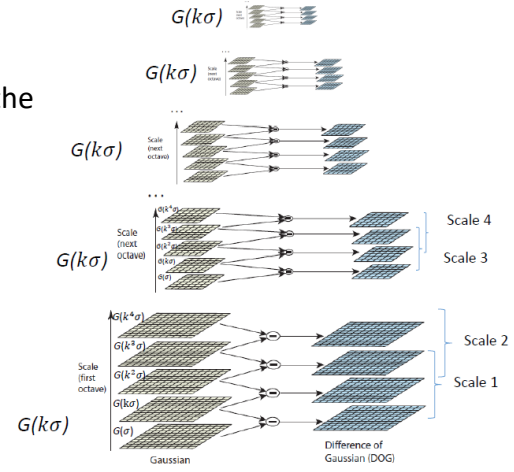
Blurred images

Scale-invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)

- Key Point Extraction

✓ Building a space scale pyramid
Adjacent blurred images are subtracted to produce the Difference of Gaussian (DoG) images.





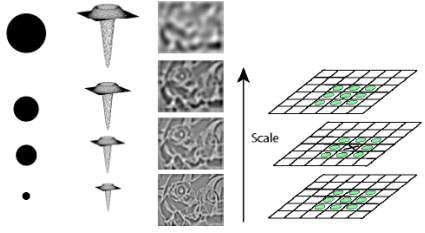
Scale-invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)

➢ Key Point Extraction

✓ Scale space extrema detection

SIFT keypoints: local extrema in both space and scale of the DoG images

- Each pixel is compared to 26 neighbors (below in green): its **8 neighbors in the current image** + **9 neighbors** in the adjacent **upper scale** + **9 neighbors** in the adjacent **lower scale**
- If the pixel is **a extrema with respect to its 26 neighbors** then it is selected as SIFT feature

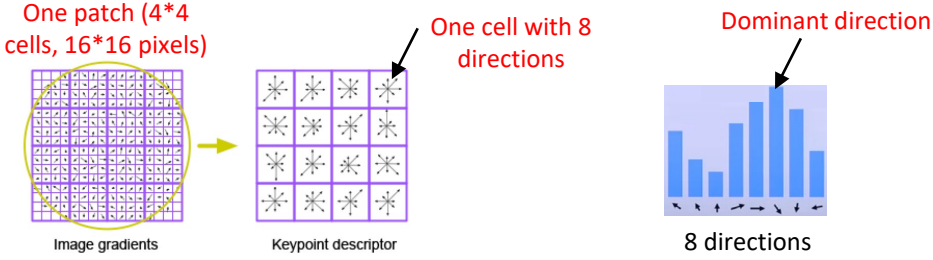


For each extrema, the output of the SIFT detector is the **location** (x, y) and the **scale** s

Scale-invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)

➢ Descriptor Computation

✓ Consider a $\mathbf{16} \times \mathbf{16}$ pixel patch
✓ Compute Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) descriptor
- Divide patch into 4 × 4 cells
- For each cell, generate an 8-bin histograms (i.e., 8 directions)

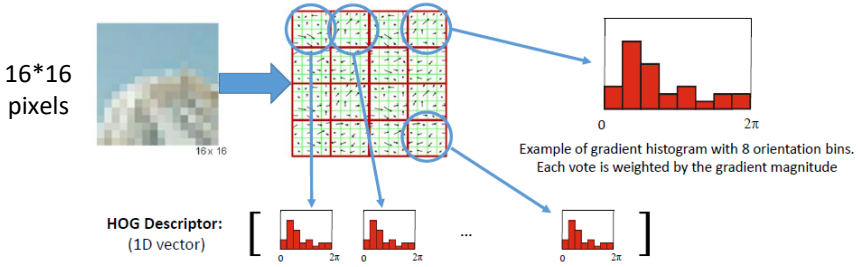


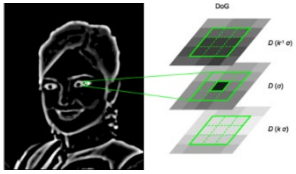
Scale-invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)

➢ Descriptor Computation

✓ Compute Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) descriptor

- Concatenate all histograms into a single 1D vector, resulting SIFT descriptor: 4 × 4 × 8 = 128 values
  16 cells 8 bins
- The HOG descriptor is already invariant to additive illumination because it is based on gradients.



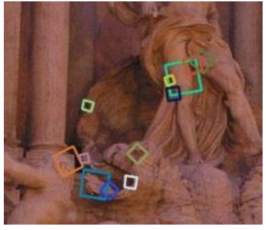


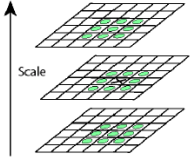
Intensity difference
instead of absolute value

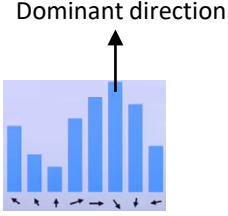
Scale-invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)

➢ Output of Algorithm

✓ Location (pixel coordinates of the center of the patch): 2D vector
✓ Descriptor: 4x4x8 = 128 element 1D vector
✓ Scale (i.e., size) of the patch: 1 scalar value (high scale corresponds to high blur in the space scale pyramid)
✓ Orientation (dominant direction): 1 scalar value (i.e., angle of the patch):

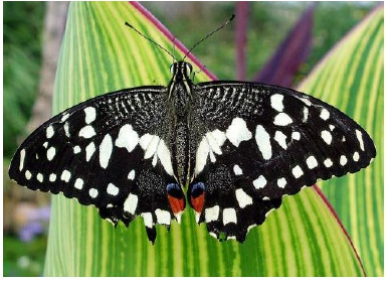






Scale-invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)

- Example



Input image

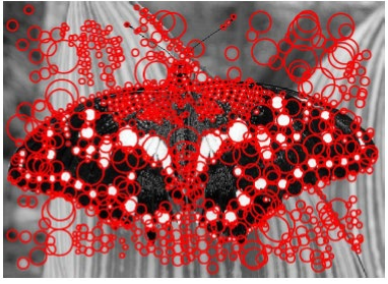
Magnitude of $(G(kx) - G(x)) \mid x = 4 \cdot \sigma = 1.6 \mid$

Magnitude of $(G(k^2x) - G(k^2x)) \mid x = 4 \cdot \sigma = 1.6 \mid$
(second octave shown at the input resolution for convenience)

Magnitude of $(G(k^3x) - G(k^3x)) \mid x = 4 \cdot \sigma = 1.6 \mid$
(third octave shown at the input resolution for convenience)

DoG Images

Size of circle represents scale



Local extrema of DoG images across Scale and Space

Other Descriptors and Detectors

➢ Overview

- ✓ FAST: **F**eatures from **A**ccelerated **S**egment **T**est
- ✓ SURF: **S**peeded **U**p **R**obust **F**eatures
- ✓ BRIEF: **B**inary **R**obust **I**ndependent **E**lementary **F**eatures
- ✓ ORB: **O**riented FAST and **R**otated **B**RIEF
- ✓ BRISK: **B**inary **R**obust **I**nvariant **S**calable **K**eypoints
- ✓ SuperPoint: Deep learning-based method

Other Descriptors and Detectors

➢ "SURF" Blob Detector & Descriptor

✓ SURF: Speeded Up Robust Features

✓ Similar to SIFT but much faster

✓ Results comparable with SIFT:
- Faster computation
- Generally shorter descriptors

Bay, Tuytelaars, Van Gool, "Speeded Up Robust Features", European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2006.

Other Descriptors and Detectors

➢ "SURF" Blob Detector & Descriptor

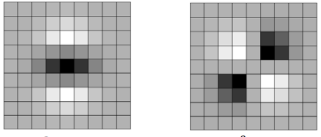
✓ Basic idea: approximate Gaussian and DoG filters using box filters

$$\Rightarrow \Delta\mathbf{p} = H^{-1} \sum_{\mathbf{x}\in\mathbf{T}} \left[\nabla I \frac{\partial W}{\partial \mathbf{p}}\right]^{\mathrm{T}} \left[T(\mathbf{x}) - I\big(W(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{p})\big)\right] =$$

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

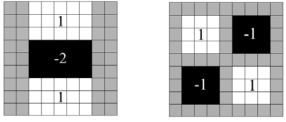
Hessian matrix introduced in general case of KLT

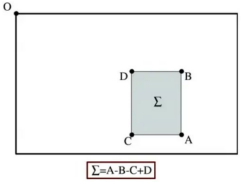
Original second order partial derivatives of a Gaussian



$\frac{\partial^2 G(x,y)}{\partial y^2}$ $\frac{\partial^2 G(x,y)}{\partial x \partial y}$

SURF Approximation using **box filters**



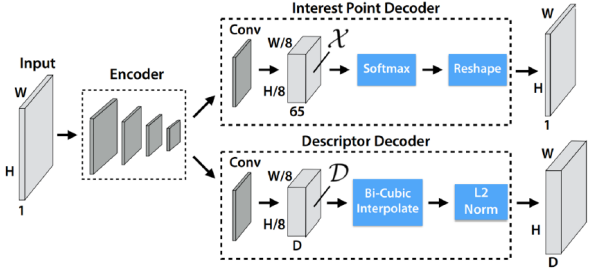


Integral image

Other Descriptors and Detectors

➢ “SuperPoint”: A Deep Learning-based Method

✓ Joint regression of keypoint location and descriptor.
✓ A self-supervised method

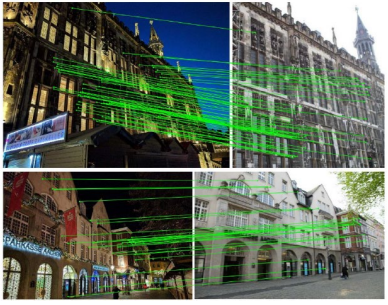


Detone , Malisiewicz , Rabinovich . SuperPoint : Self Supervised Interest Point Detection and Description. CVPRW 2018.

Other Descriptors and Detectors

- "SuperPoint": A Deep Learning-based Method

✓ Trained on synthetic images and refined on homographies of real images.
✓ Detector is less accurate than SIFT, but descriptor outperforms SIFT.
✓ For efficiency, it is slower than SIFT.



Summary

- Overview of Indirect Method
- Point Detector
- Point Descriptor
- A More Effective Method: SIFT
- Other Methods

Thank you for your listening!
If you have any questions, please come to me :-)