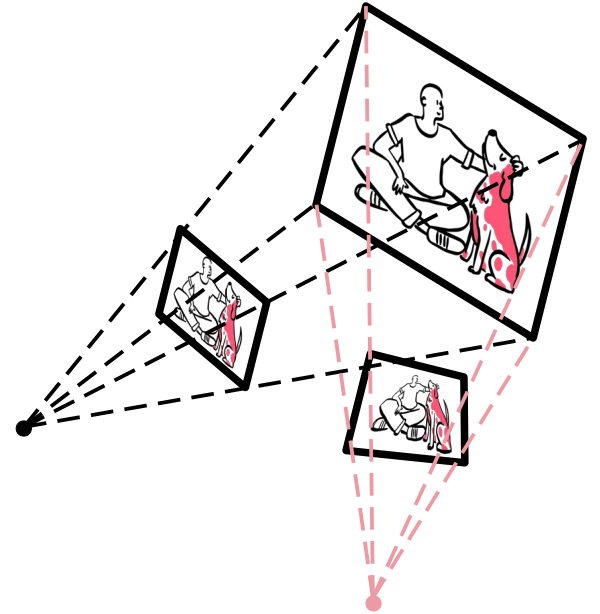


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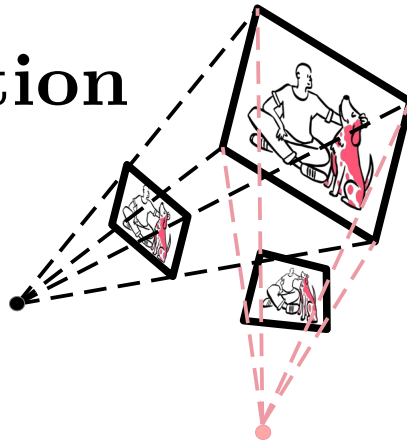
Class 05



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2D Homography

Parameter Estimation



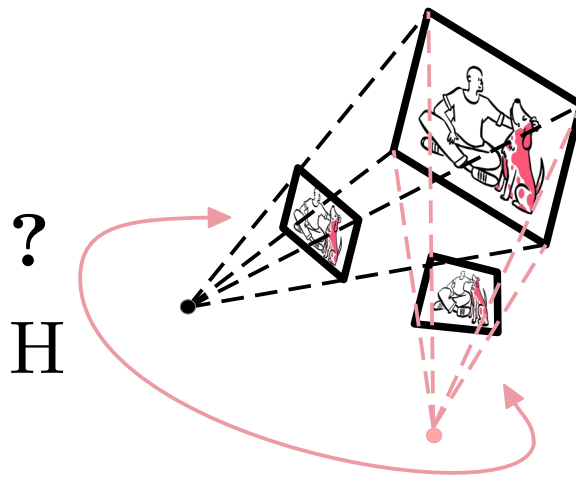
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- Homography
- DLT
- Normalized DLT
- Gold Standard Algorithm
- RANSAC
- Automatic computation of H using RANSAC



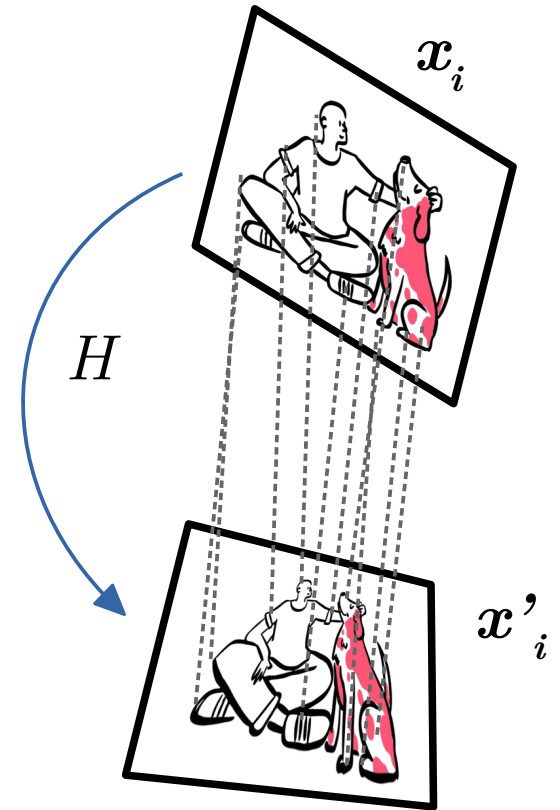
DLT

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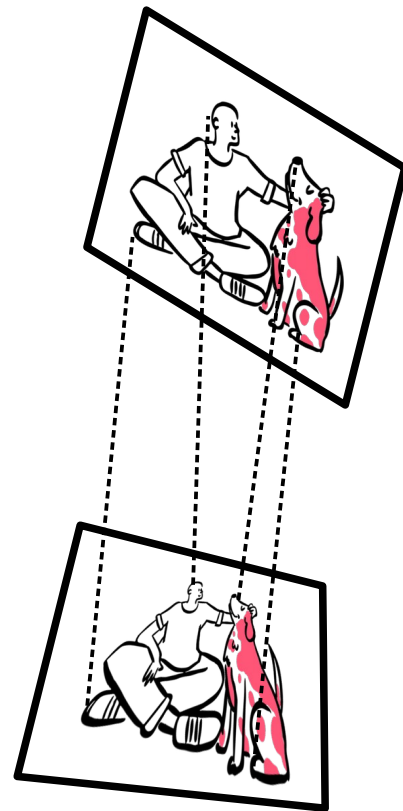
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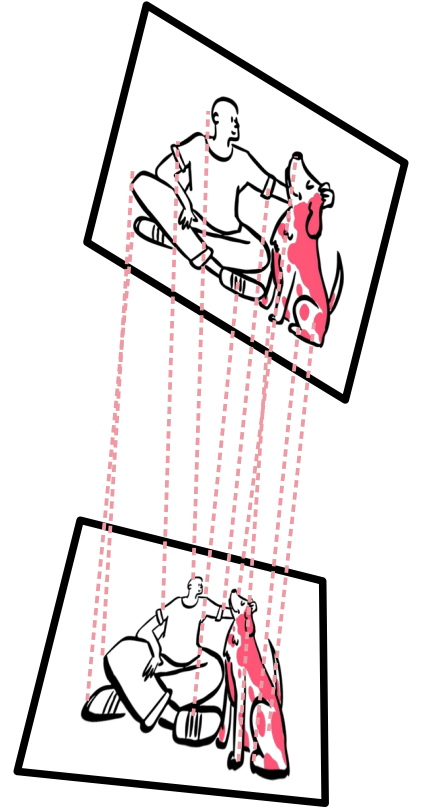
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 - Search for “best” according to some cost function.



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- Cost function that is optimal for some assumptions.
- Computational algorithm that minimizes it is called **“Gold Standard”** algorithm.
- Other algorithms can then be compared to it.



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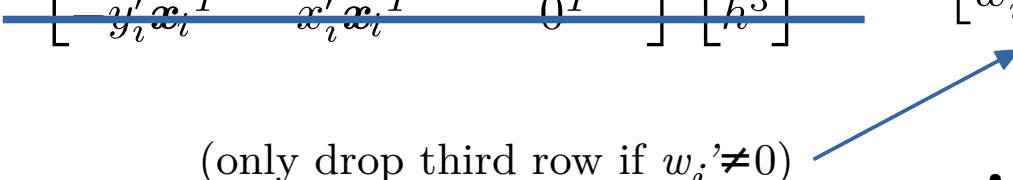
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- Thus holds for image points

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- Solving for H

$$Ah = 0 \quad \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \\ A_3 \\ A_4 \end{bmatrix} h = 0$$

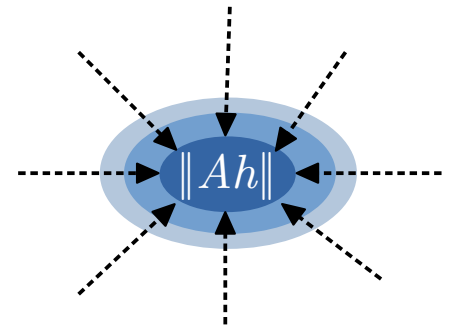
size A is 8x9 or 12x9, but rank 8

- Trivial solution is $h=0_9^T$ is not interesting
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pick for example the one with: $\|h\|=1$

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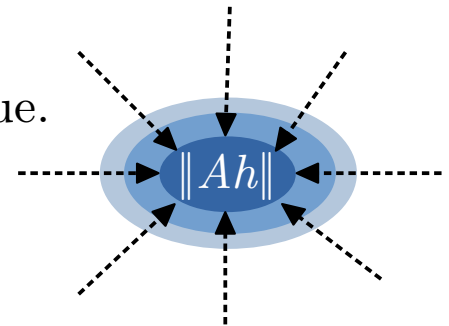
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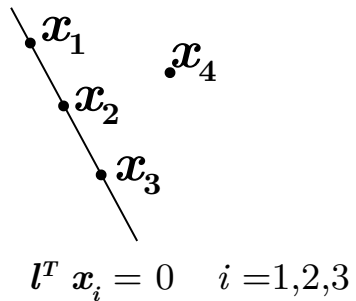
Example:

When the horizon passes by the image center (0,0),
that means the image center lies on the infinity!

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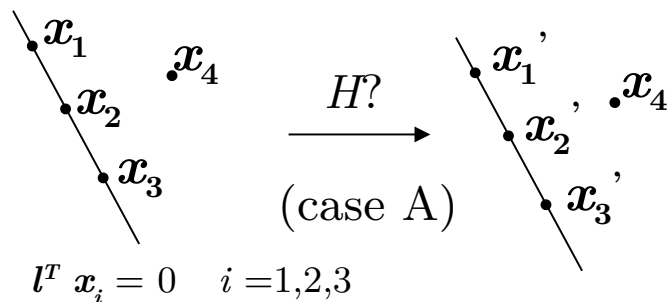
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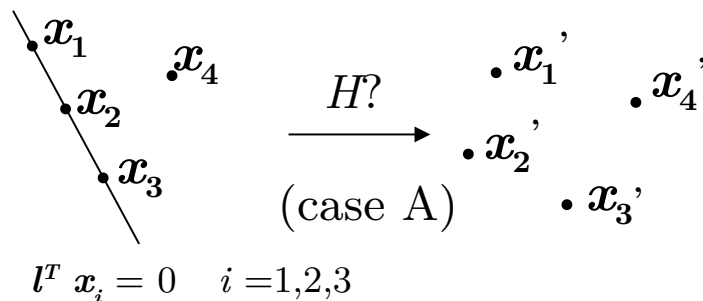
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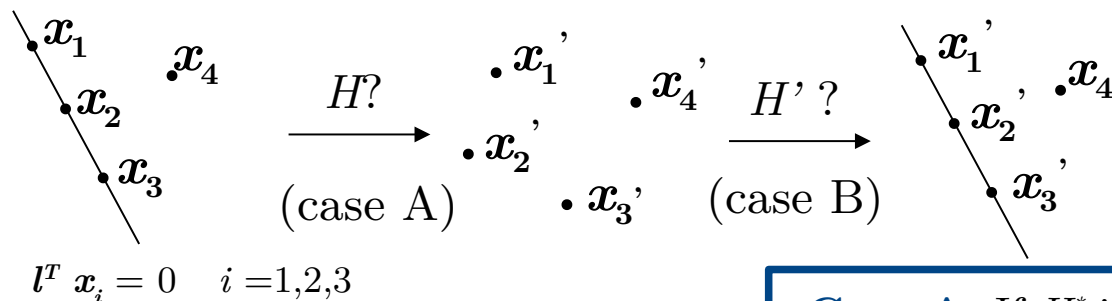
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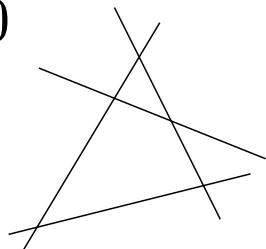
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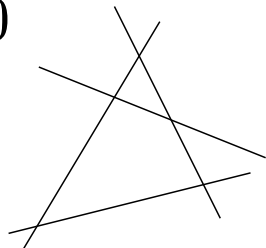


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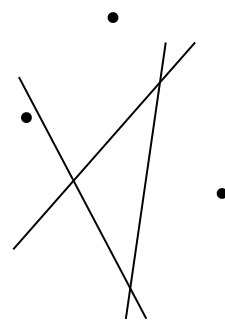


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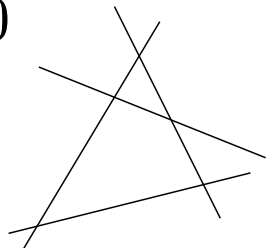


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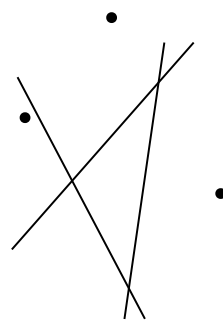


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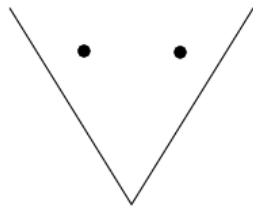


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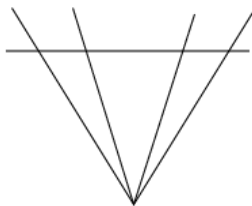


Mixed configurations that do not work. For example:

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Improving
DLT

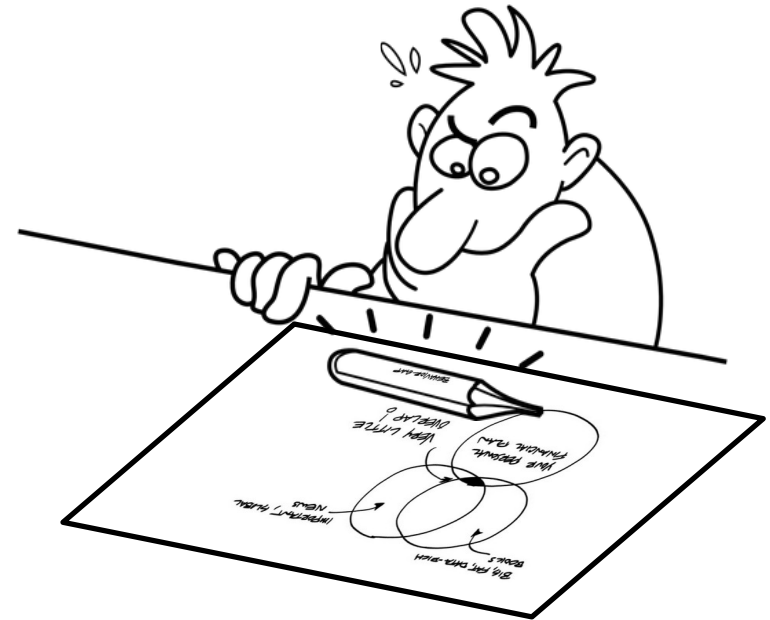


Normalized DLT



Cost functions

- Algebraic distance
- Geometric distance
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Not geometrically/statistically meaningful, but given good normalization it works fine, has an unique solution and is very fast (use for initialization)

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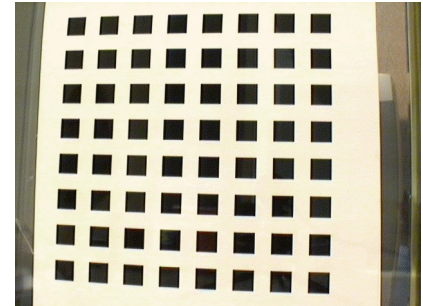
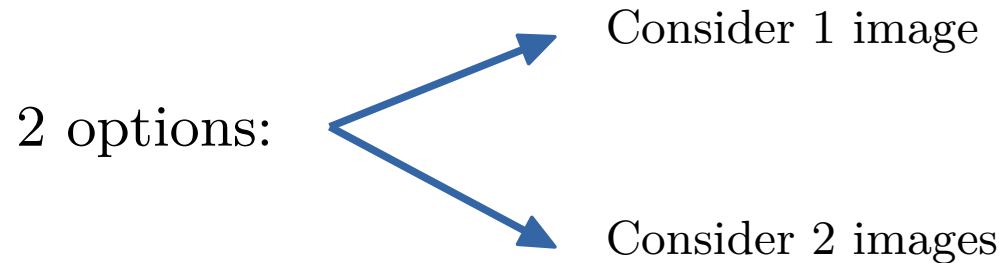
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Ex: Homography between
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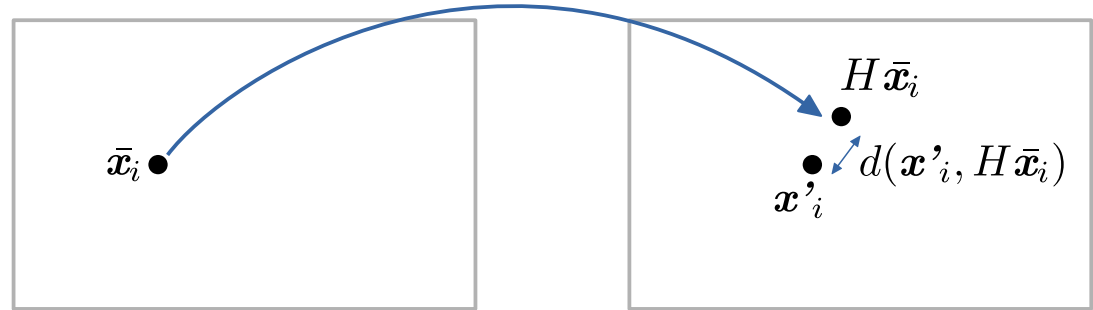
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Point in the
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True point mapped with H
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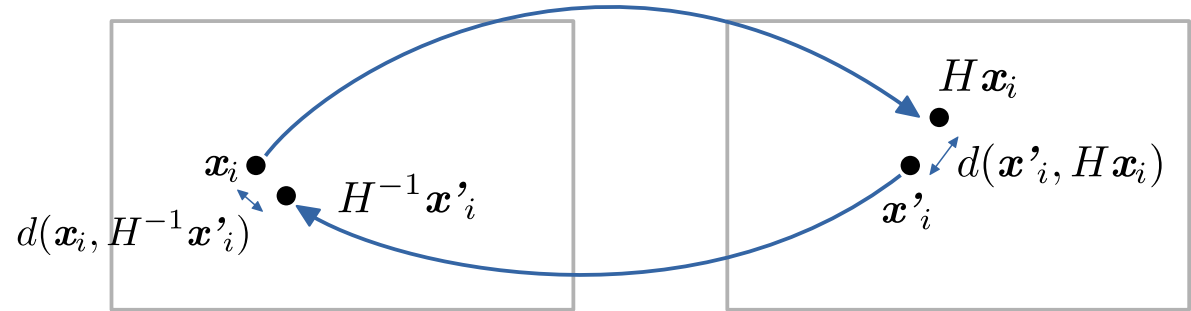
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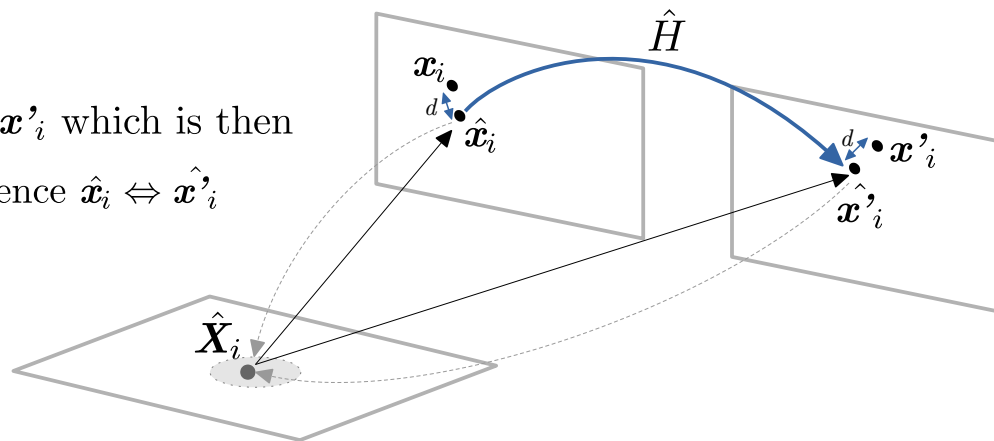
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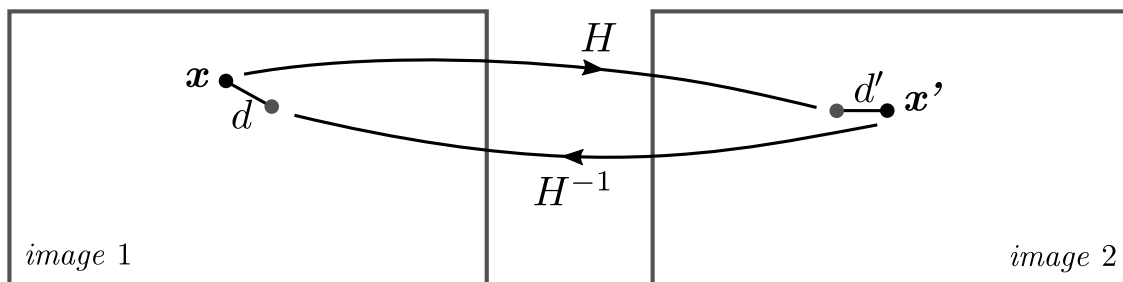
Minimizing the cost function involves determining the homography and a set of correspondences $\rightarrow \hat{H}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i, \hat{\mathbf{x}}'_i$

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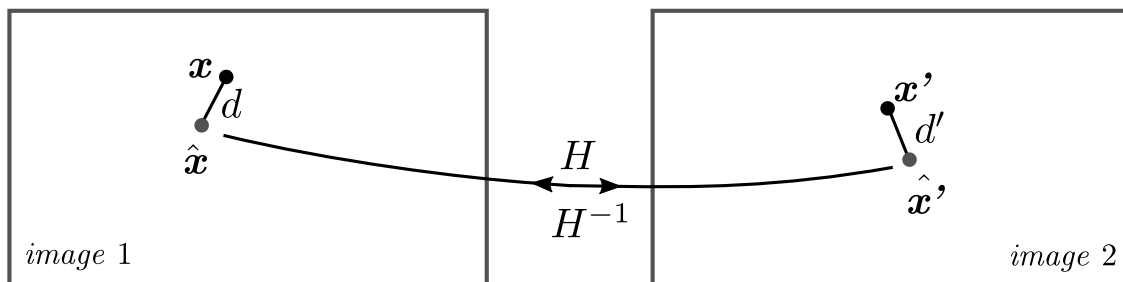
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Symmetric transfer error X Reprojection error



$$d(x, H^{-1}x')^2 + d(x', Hx)^2$$



$$d(x, \hat{x})^2 + d(x', \hat{x}')^2$$

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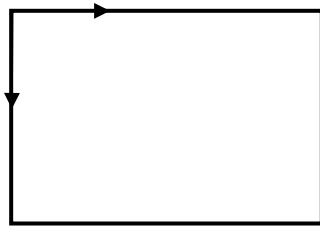
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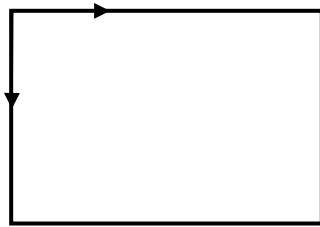
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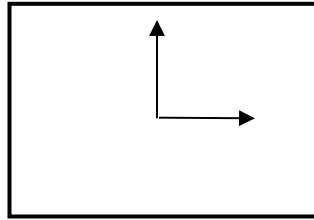
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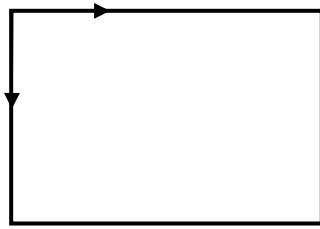


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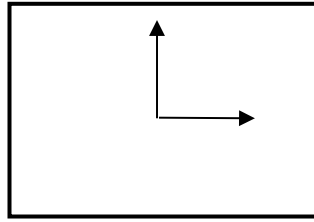
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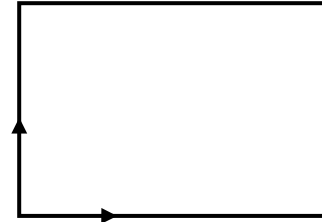
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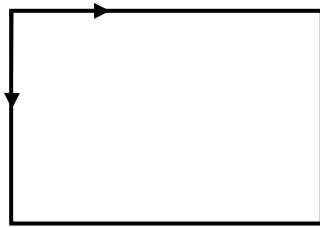
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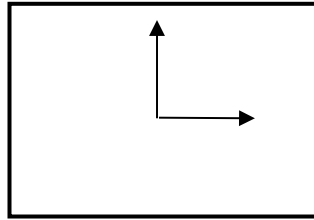
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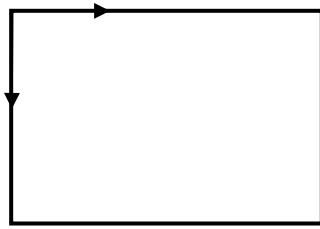
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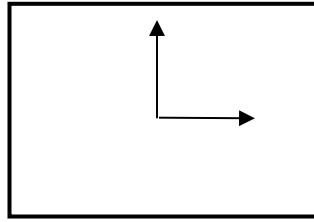
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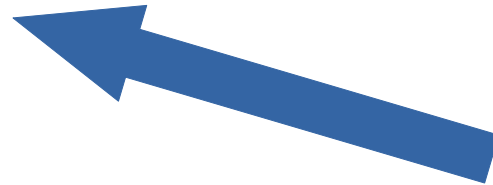


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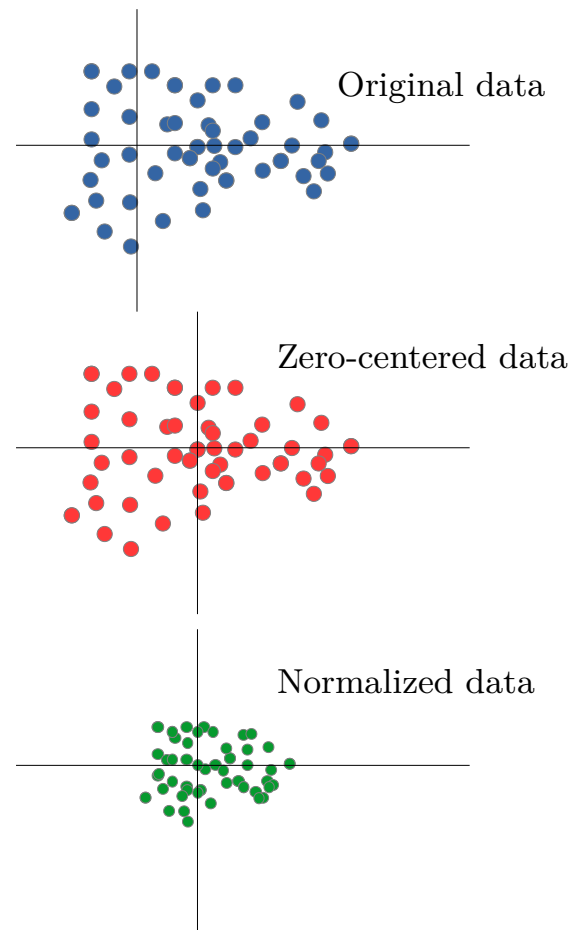
Non-invariance of DLT

- DLT is not invariant to similarity transformations on the image.
- Results depend on the coordinate frame in which points are expressed.
- Some coordinate systems are in some way better than others for computing a 2D homography.
- Data normalization is an essential step in the DLT algorithm.
It **MUST NOT** be considered optional.



Normalizing transformations

- Algorithms with initial normalization step will be invariant to arbitrary choices of scale and coordinate origin
- What is a good choice of coordinates?
 - Translate centroid to origin.
 - Scale to a $\sqrt{2}$ average distance to the origin. This means that the average point is equal to $(1,1,1)^T$.
 - This transformation is applied independently on both images.



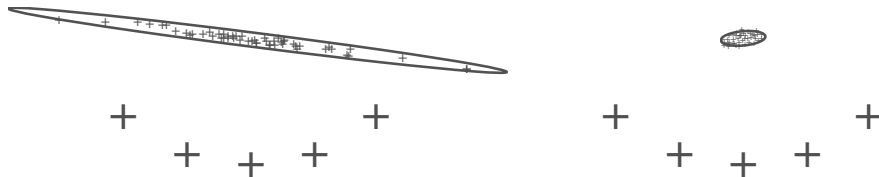
Importance of normalization

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -x'_i & -y'_i & -1 & y'_i x_i & y'_i y_i & y'_i \\ x_i & y_i & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x'_i x_i & -x'_i y_i & -x'_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h^1 \\ h^2 \\ h^3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$\sim 10^2 \quad \sim 10^2 \quad 1 \quad \sim 10^2 \quad \sim 10^2 \quad 1 \quad \sim 10^4 \quad \sim 10^4 \quad \sim 10^2$

orders of magnitude difference!

The effect of normalization (simulation): 5 point (crosses) were used to compute a 2D Homography. The homography H is the identity mapping. 100 trials were made adding 0.1 pixel Gaussian noise to the points. The result H was applied to a further point. (a) result without normalization and (b) with normalization.



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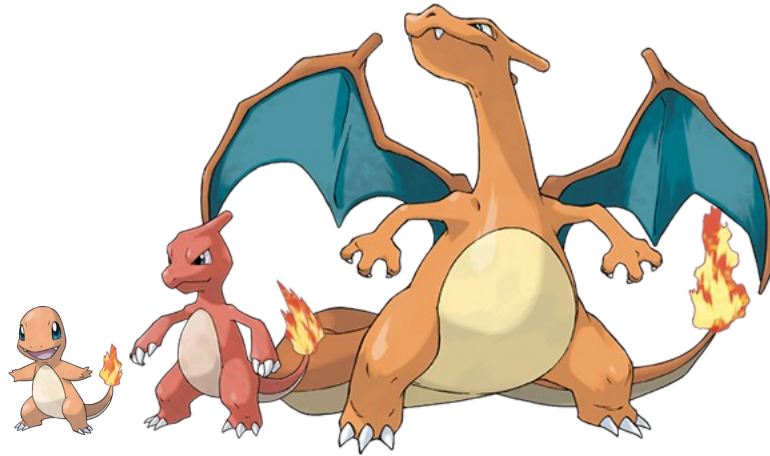
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- Denormalize solution $H = T'^{-1} \tilde{H} T$

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Gold Standard
Algorithm



Iterative minimization methods

Required to minimize geometric error:

- (i) Often slower than DLT
- (ii) Require initialization
- (iii) No guaranteed convergence, local minima
- (iv) Stopping criterion required

Therefore, careful implementation required:

- (i) Cost function
- (ii) Parameterization (minimal or not)
- (iii) Function specification (cost \leftrightarrow parameters)
- (iv) Initialization
- (v) Iterations

Parametrization

- Parameters should cover complete space and allow efficient estimation of cost.
- Minimal or over-parameterized? e.g. 8 or 9
 - Minimal often more complex, also cost surface.
 - Sometimes stuck in local minimum.
 - Good algorithms can deal with over-parameterization.
- Parametrization can also be used to restrict transformation to particular class.



Function specifications

- Measurement vector $X \in \mathbb{R}^N$ with covariance Σ
 - (i) Set of parameters represented by vector $P \in \mathbb{R}^M$
 - (ii) Mapping $f: \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$
 - (iii) Cost function to be minimized

The goal is to find a set of parameters P such that $f(P) = X$ or failing that, to bring $f(P)$ as close to X as possible

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Reprojection error

- Find H and points that minimizes the cost function.

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Initialization

- Typically, use linear solution
- If outliers, use robust algorithm

Iteration methods

- Most popular:
 - Newton's method
 - Levenberg-Marquardt



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 - minimize cost $\sum d(\mathbf{x}_i, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i)^2 + d(\mathbf{x}_i', \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i')^2$ over $\{\hat{H}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_2, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_3, \dots, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_n\}$
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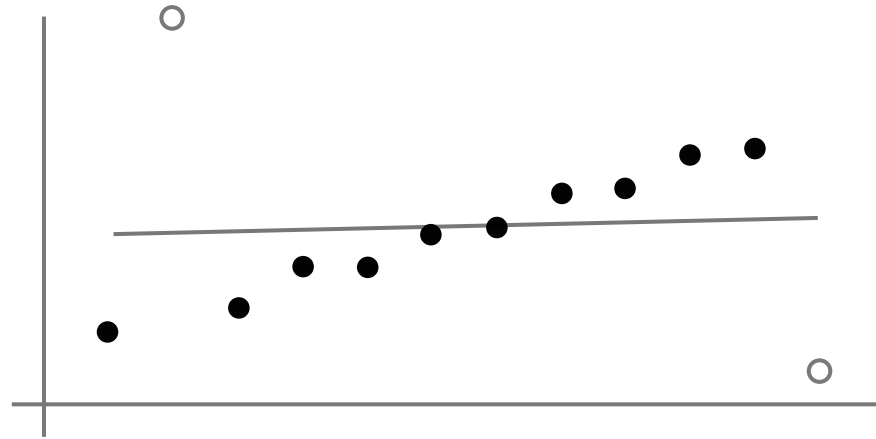
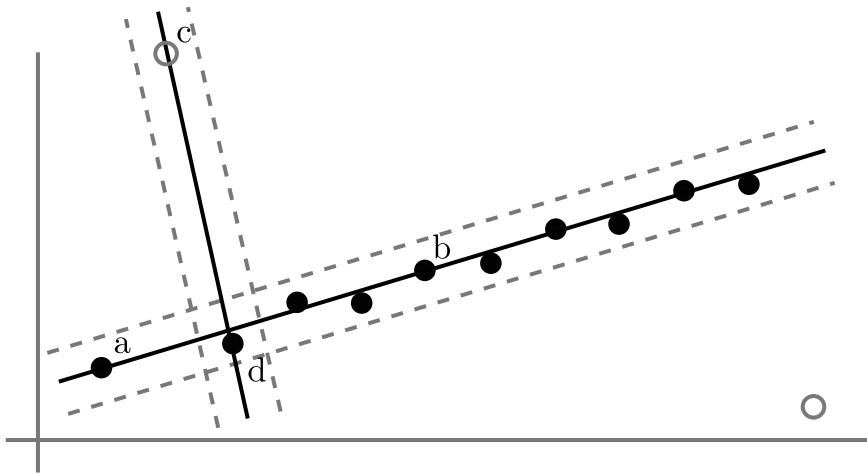
RANSAC

RANdom Sample
Consensus



Robust estimation

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Distance threshold

Choose t so probability for inlier is α (e.g. 0.95)

- Often empirically.
- Zero-mean Gaussian noise σ then the square of the point distance d_{\perp}^2 follows a X_m^2 distribution with $m = \text{codimension of model}$.

(dimension+codimension=dimension space)

| Codimension | Model | t^2 |
|-------------|-------|-----------------|
| 1 | l,F | $3.84 \sigma^2$ |
| 2 | H,P | $5.99 \sigma^2$ |
| 3 | T | $7.81 \sigma^2$ |

How many samples?

Choose N so that, with probability p , at least one random sample is free from outliers.

e.g. $p=0.99$. Suppose e is the propability that any selected point is an outlier, then at least N selections (each of s points) are require so that $(1 - (1 - e)^s)^N = 1 - p$.

| Sample size | Proportion of Outliers e | | | | | | |
|-------------|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| s | 5% | 10% | 20% | 25% | 30% | 40% | 50% |
| 2 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 11 | 17 |
| 3 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 11 | 19 | 35 |
| 4 | 3 | 5 | 9 | 13 | 17 | 34 | 72 |
| 5 | 4 | 6 | 12 | 17 | 26 | 57 | 146 |
| 6 | 4 | 7 | 16 | 24 | 37 | 97 | 293 |
| 7 | 4 | 8 | 20 | 33 | 54 | 163 | 588 |
| 8 | 5 | 9 | 26 | 44 | 78 | 272 | 1177 |

$$N = \frac{\log(1-p)}{\log(1-(1-e)^s)}$$

Acceptable consensus set?

- Typically, terminate when the consensus set is similar to the expected number of inliers

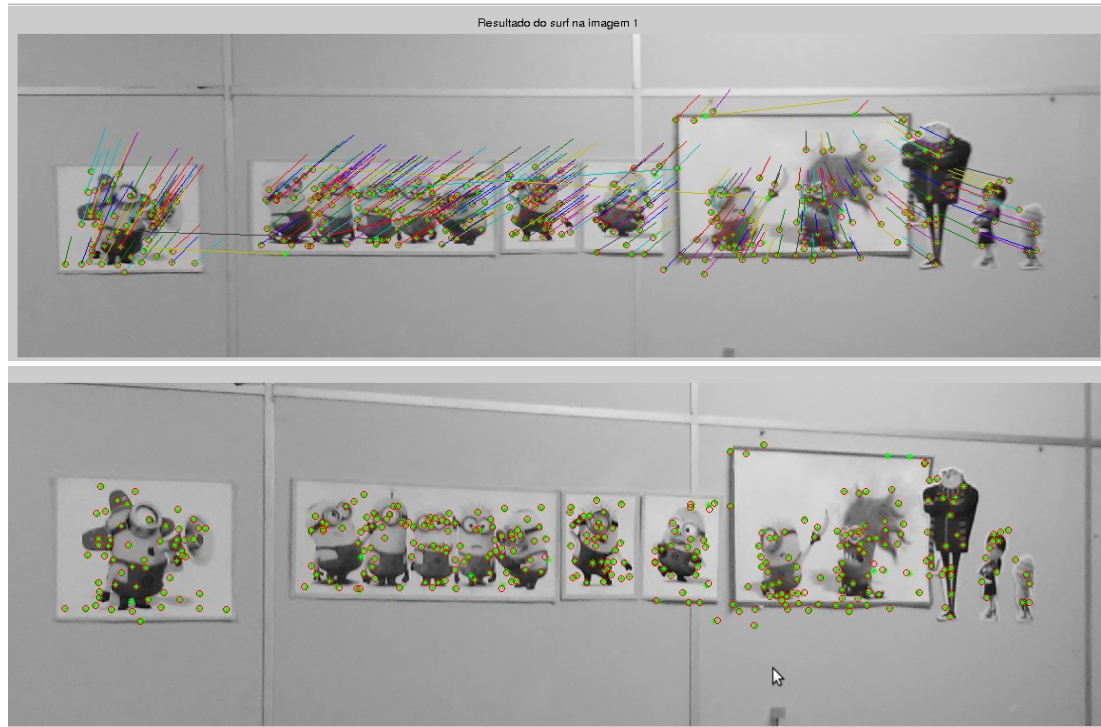
$$T = (1 - e)n$$

- Adaptively determining the number of samples:
 - e is often unknown a priori, so pick worst case, e.g. 50%, and adapt if more inliers are found, e.g. 80% would yield $e=0.2$
 - $N=\infty$, $sample_count = 0$
 - While $N > sample_count$ repeat
 - Choose a sample and count the number of inliers
 - Set $e=1-(\text{number of inliers})/(\text{total number of points})$
 - Recompute N from e , usually with $p = 0.99$
 - Increment the $sample_count$ by 1
- Terminate

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Robust Algorithm

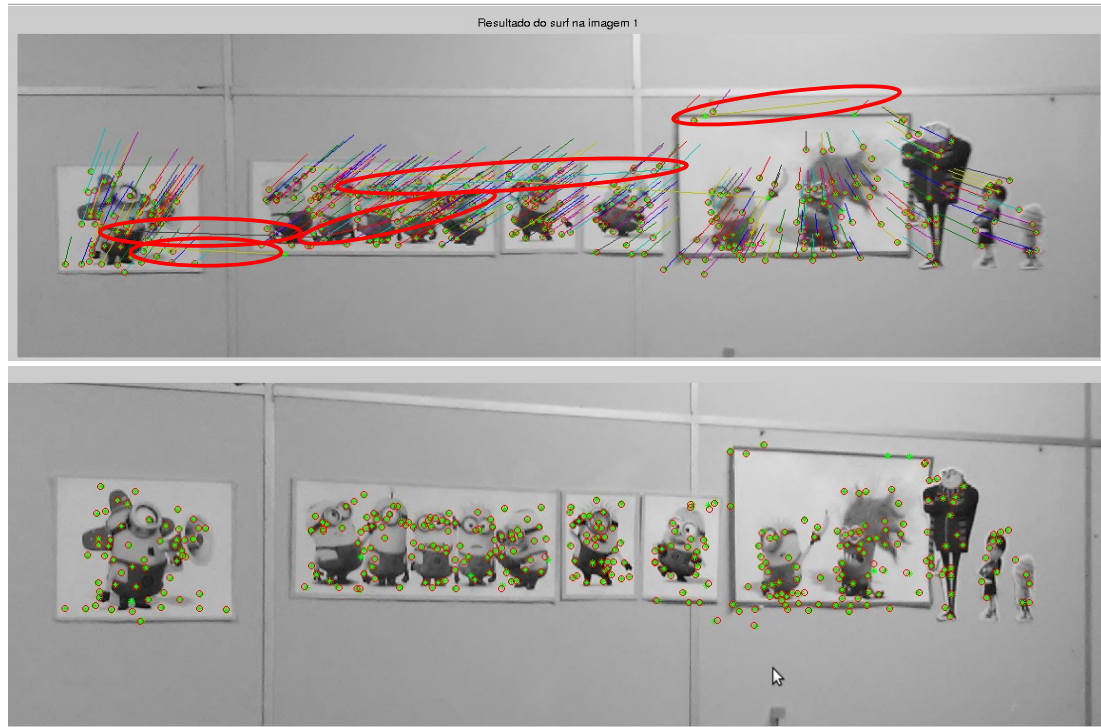
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- Optionally iterate last two steps until convergence

Example

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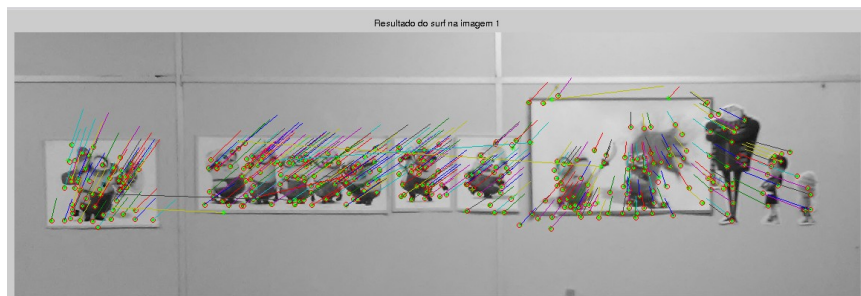


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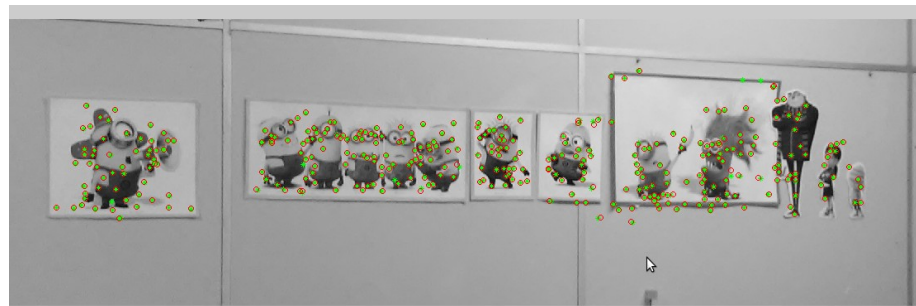


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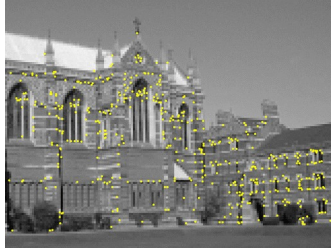
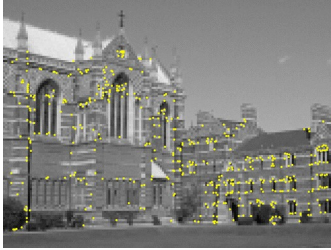
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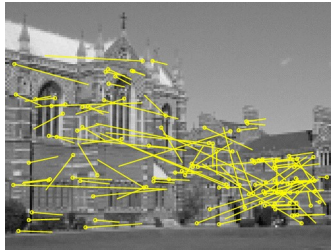
Determine putative correspondences

- Compare interest points using similarity measure:
 - SAD, SSD, ZNCC on small neighborhood
- If motion is limited, only consider interest points with similar coordinates
- More advanced approaches exist, based on invariance...
 - SIFT
 - SURF
 - others

Example: robust computation

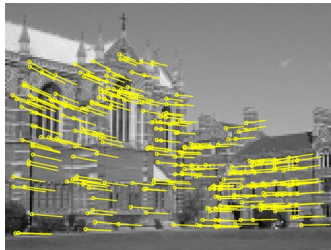
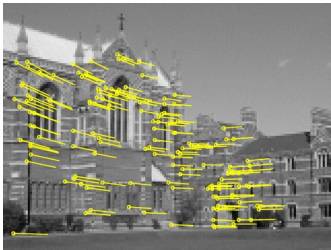


Interest points (500/image)



Putative correspondences (268)

Outliers (117)



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