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机器视觉测量与建模

Machine vision based surveying and modelling

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课后学习: Feature tracking

- Identify features and track them over video
 - Small difference between frames
 - potential large difference overall
- Standard approach:
KLT (Kanade-Lukas-Tomasi)

Good features to track

- Use same window in feature selection as for tracking itself

$$\text{with } \mathbf{M} = \iint_W \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} w(x, y) dx dy$$

- Compute motion assuming it is small

$$\min \iint_W (I + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \Delta - J)^2 w(x, y) dx dy$$

$$\text{differentiate: } \iint_W 2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} (I + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \Delta - J) w(x, y) dx dy$$

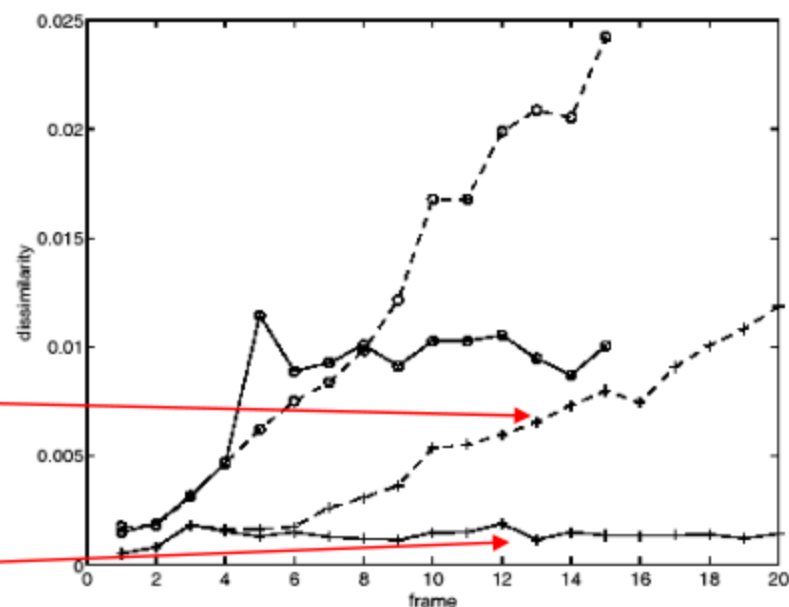
$$\iint_W \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} w(x, y) dx dy \Delta = \iint_W \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} (J - I) w(x, y) dx dy$$

Affine is also possible, but a bit harder (6x6 instead of 2x2)

Example



Figure 1: Three frame details from Woody Allen's *Manhattan*. The details are from the 1st, 11th, and 21st frames of a subsequence from the movie.

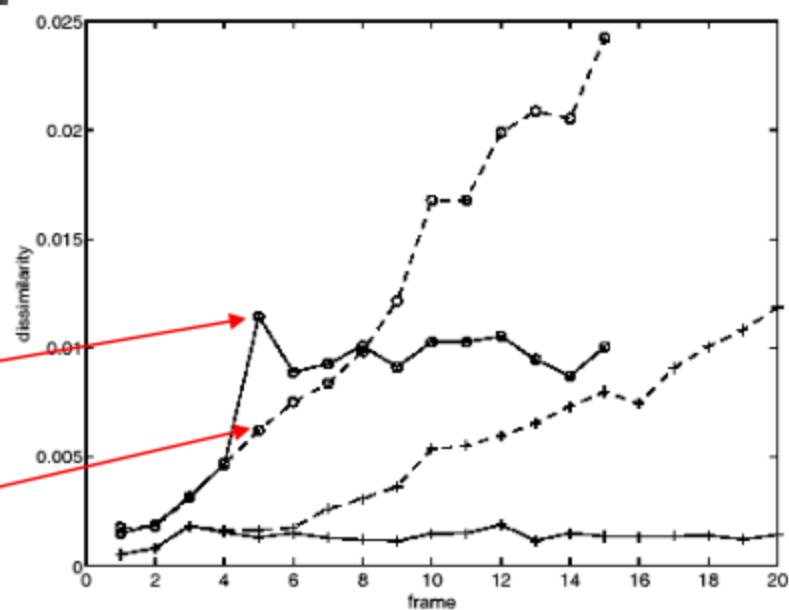
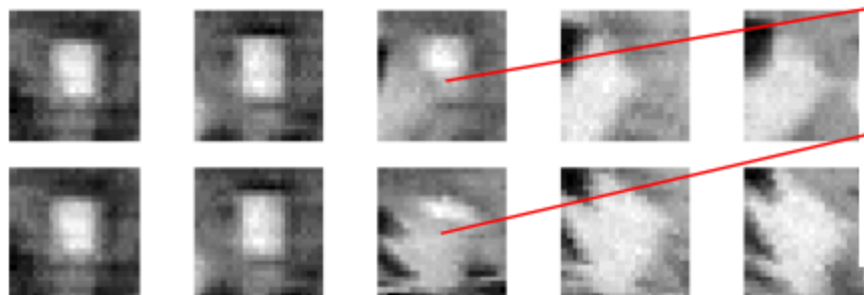


Simple displacement is sufficient between consecutive frames, but not to compare to reference template

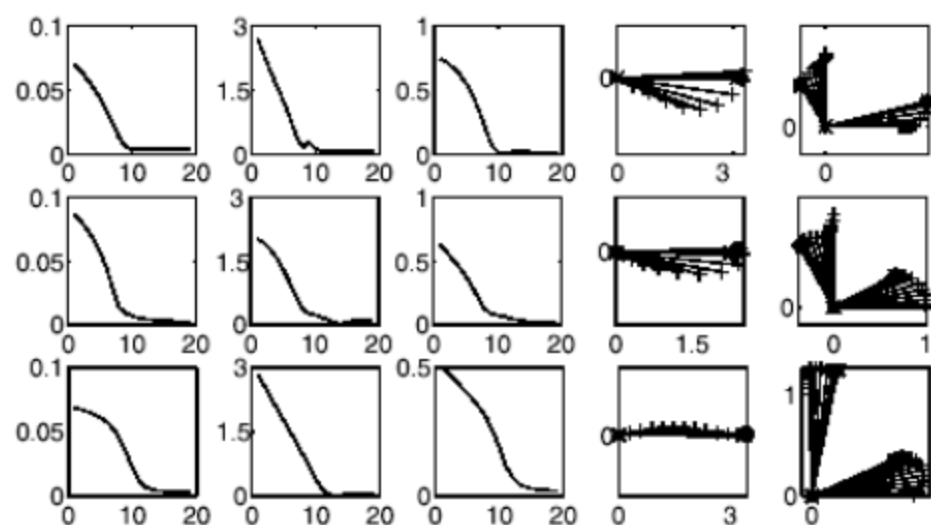
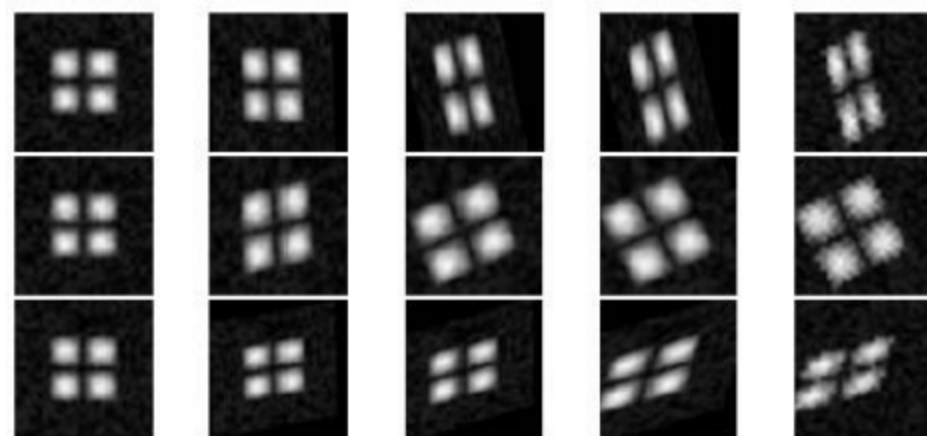
Example



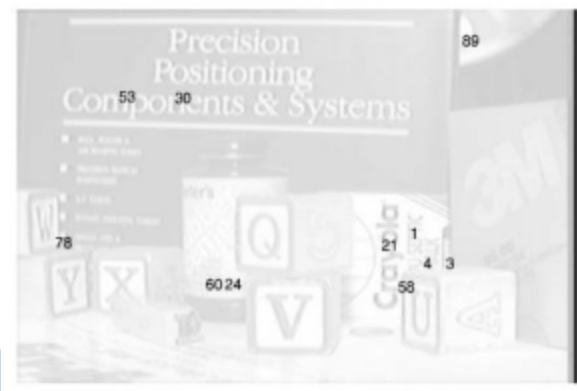
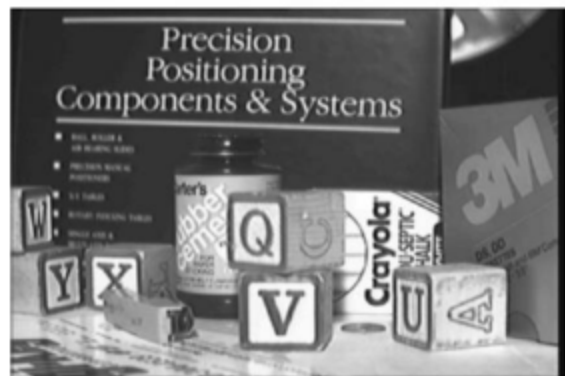
Figure 4: Three more frame details from *Manhattan*. The feature tracked is the bright window on the back ground, on the right of the traffic sign.



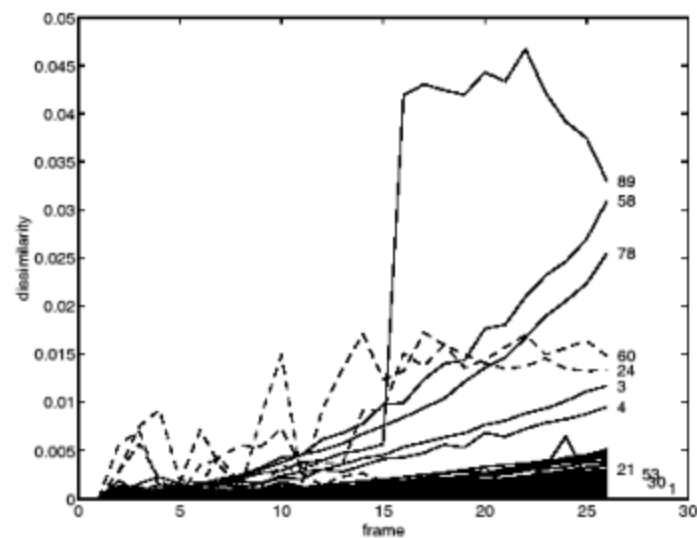
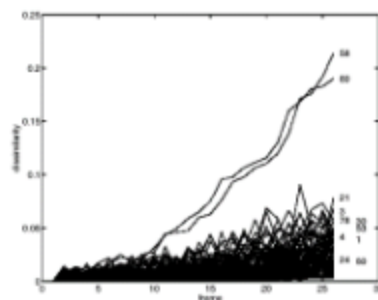
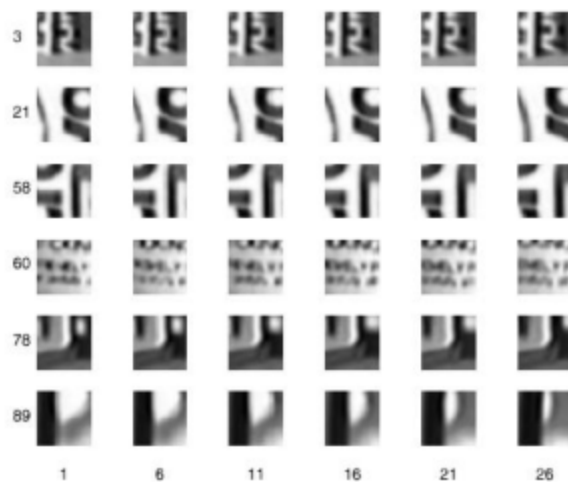
Synthetic example



Good features to keep tracking



Perform affine alignment between first and last frame
Stop tracking features with too large errors



Optical flow

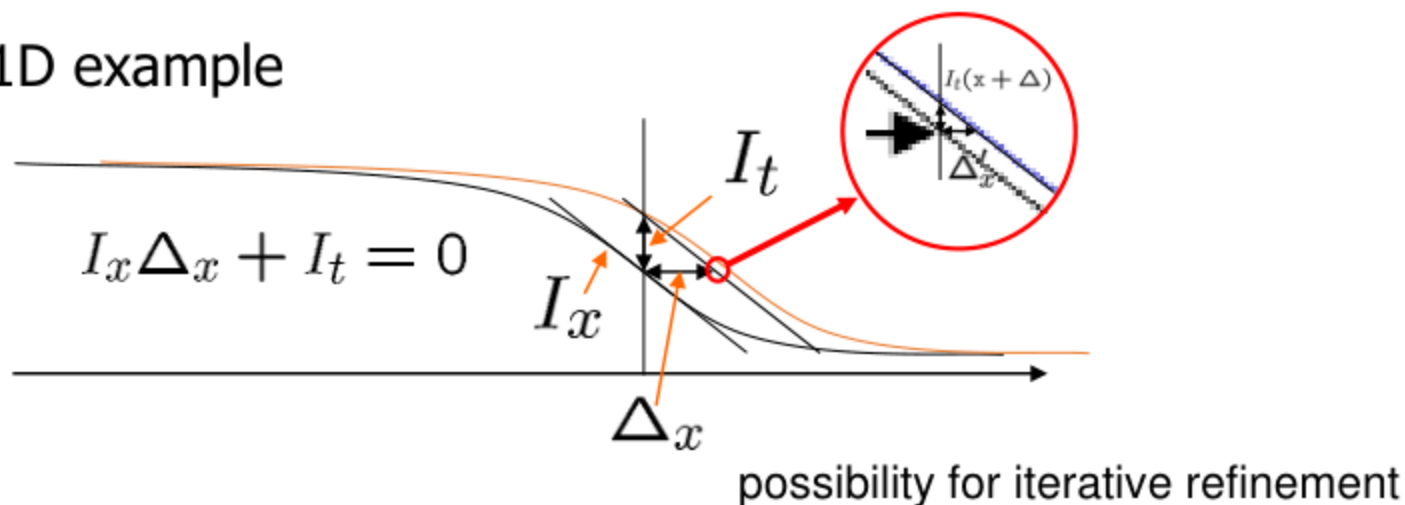
- Brightness constancy assumption

$$I(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y, t + 1) = I(x, y, t)$$

$$I(x + u, y + v, t + 1) = I(x, y, t) + I_x \Delta x + I_y \Delta y + I_t \quad (\text{small motion})$$

$$I_x \Delta x + I_y \Delta y + I_t = 0$$

- 1D example



Optical flow

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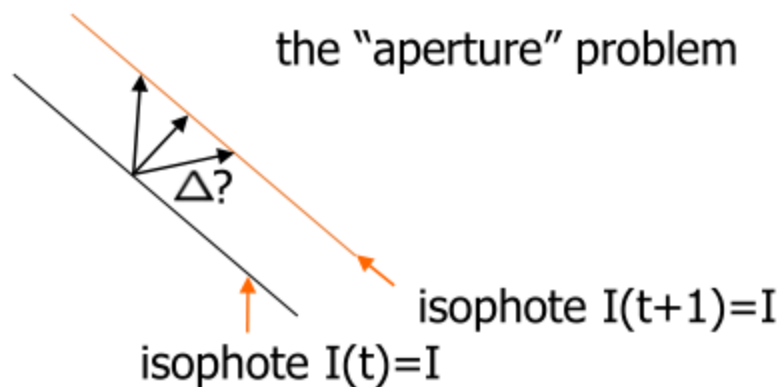
$$I_x \Delta x + I_y \Delta y + I_t = 0$$

- 2D example

$$I_x \Delta x + I_y \Delta y + I_t = 0$$

(1 constraint)

$$\Delta x, \Delta y \quad (2 \text{ unknowns})$$



Optical flow

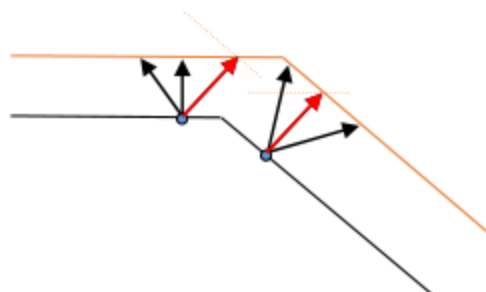
- How to deal with aperture problem?

$$R_x \Delta_x + R_y \Delta_y + R_t = 0 \quad G_x \Delta_x + G_y \Delta_y + G_t = 0 \quad B_x \Delta_x + B_y \Delta_y + B_t = 0$$

(3 constraints if color gradients are different)

Assume neighbors have same displacement

$$I_x(x) \Delta_x + I_y(x) \Delta_y + I_t(x) = 0 \quad I_x(x') \Delta_x + I_y(x') \Delta_y + I_t(x') = 0 \quad \dots$$



Lucas-Kanade

Assume neighbors have same displacement

least-squares:

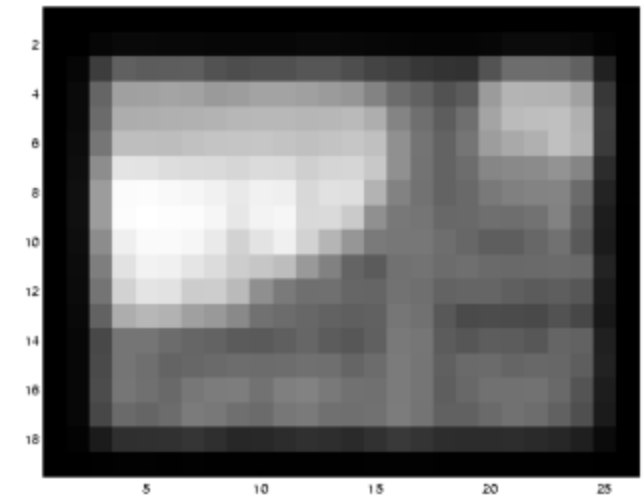
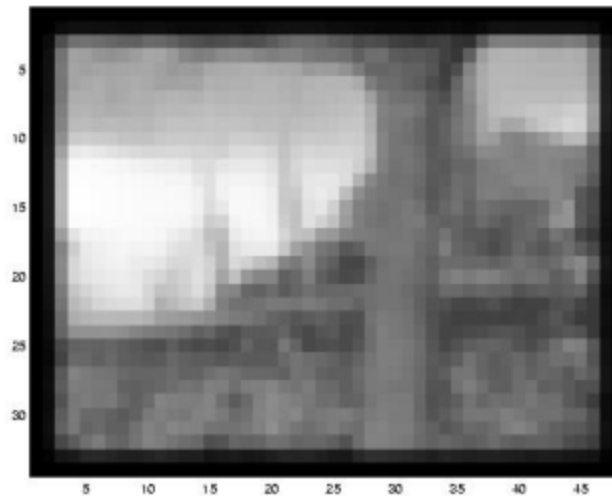
$$\begin{bmatrix} I_x(x) & I_y(x) \\ I_x(x) & I_y(x) \\ I_x(x) & I_y(x) \end{bmatrix} \Delta = \begin{bmatrix} -I_t(x) \\ -I_t(x') \\ -I_t(x'') \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}\Delta = \mathbf{b}$$

Revisiting the small motion assumption



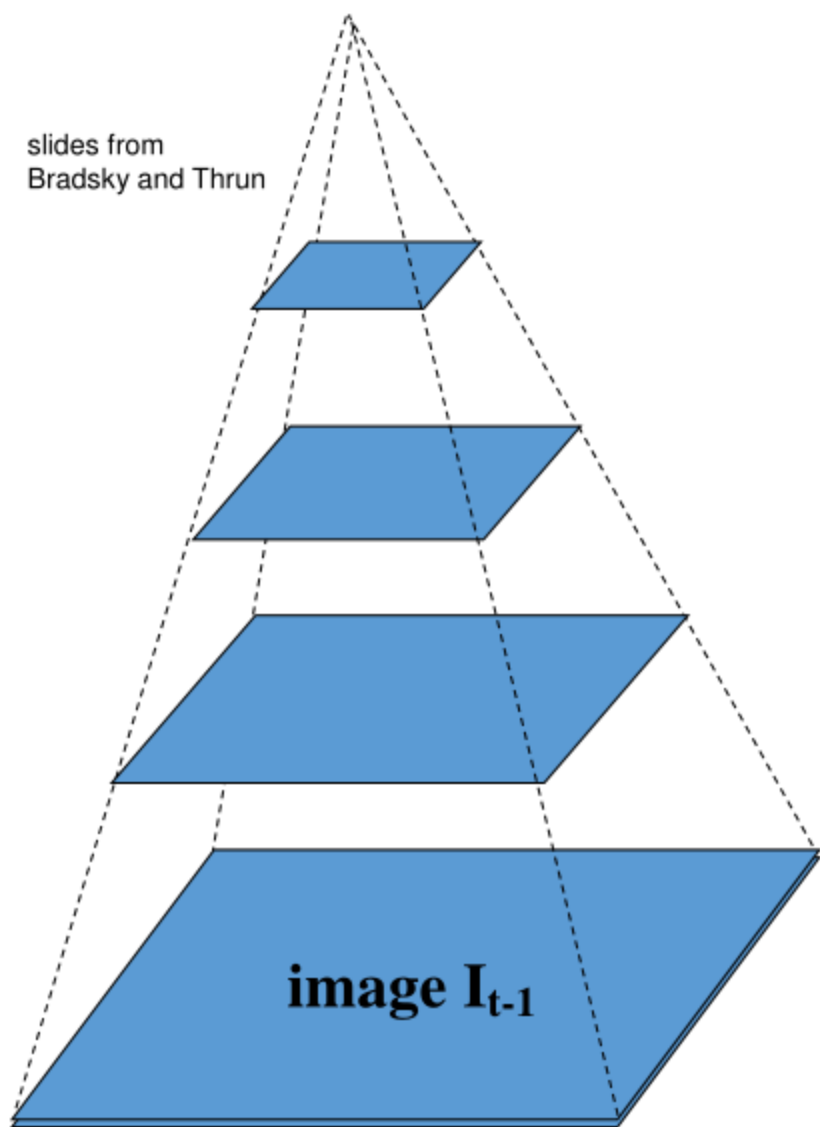
- Is this motion small enough?
 - Probably not—it's much larger than one pixel (2^{nd} order terms dominate)
 - How might we solve this problem?

Reduce the resolution!



Coarse-to-fine optical flow estimation

slides from
Bradsky and Thrun



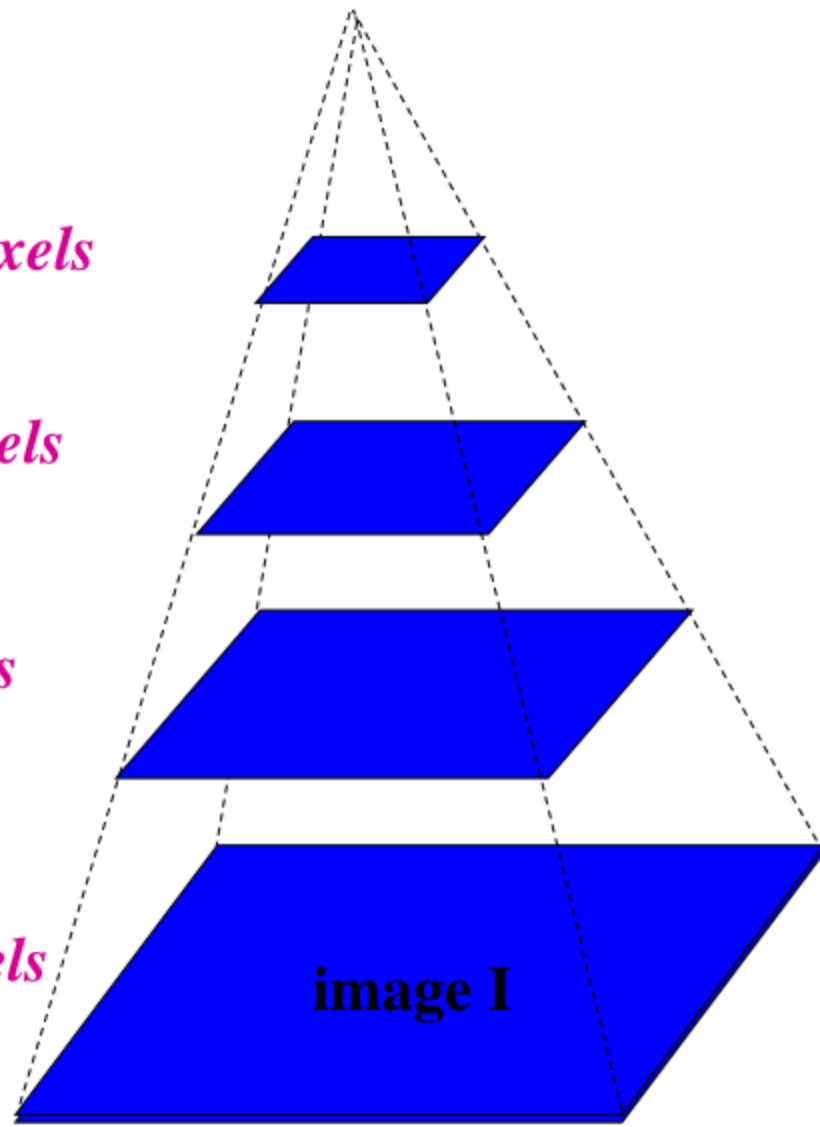
Gaussian pyramid of image I_{t-1}

$u=1.25$ pixels

$u=2.5$ pixels

$u=5$ pixels

$u=10$ pixels



Gaussian pyramid of image I ¹⁴