

Recitation 9

Exam preparation

Exam details

- Monday, June 3
- 10:30am to 12:20pm
- Location: G20

Exam overview

- 100 points in total
- 24 points for 12 multiple choice
- 11 points for 11 true false
- 30 points for Segmentation and camera projection
- 15 points for PCA and LDA
- 20 points for video and deep learning
- maybe 10 points extra credit

The goal of computer vision

- To bridge the gap between pixels and “meaning”



La Gare Montparnasse, 1895

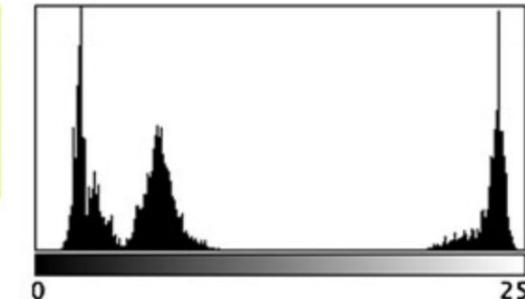
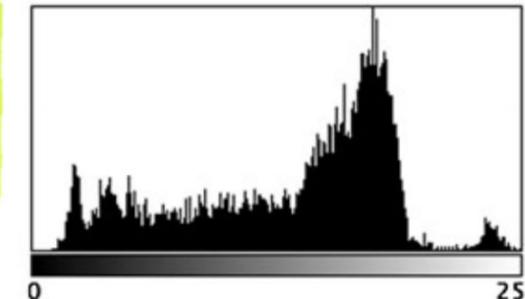
What we see

0	3	2	5	4	7	6	9	8
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5	2	3	0	1	2	3	4	5
4	3	2	1	0	3	2	5	4
7	4	5	2	3	0	1	2	3
6	5	4	3	2	1	0	3	2
9	6	7	4	5	2	3	0	1
8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

What a computer sees

Source: S. Narasimhan

Histogram



Slide credit: Dr. Mubarak Shah

Convolution and Cross-correlation

Convolution is an integral that expresses the amount of overlap of one function as it is shifted over another function

$$(f * h)[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} f[k, l] h[m - k, n - l]$$

Cross-correlation compares the *similarity of two sets of data*

$$(f \star g)[m, n] = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} f[i, j] \cdot g[i - m, j - n]$$

Convolution with Impulse function

$$f[n, m] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} f[k, l] \delta_2[n - k, m - l]$$

Properties of systems

- Amplitude properties:

- Additivity

$$S[f_i[n, m] + f_j[n, m]] = S[f_i[n, m]] + S[f_j[n, m]]$$

- Homogeneity

$$S[\alpha f_i[n, m]] = \alpha S[f_i[n, m]]$$

- Superposition

$$S[\alpha f_i[n, m] + \beta f_j[n, m]] = \alpha S[f_i[n, m]] + \beta S[f_j[n, m]]$$

- Stability

$$|f[n, m]| \leq k \implies |g[n, m]| \leq ck$$

- Invertibility

$$S^{-1}[S[f_i[n, m]]] = f_i[n, m]$$

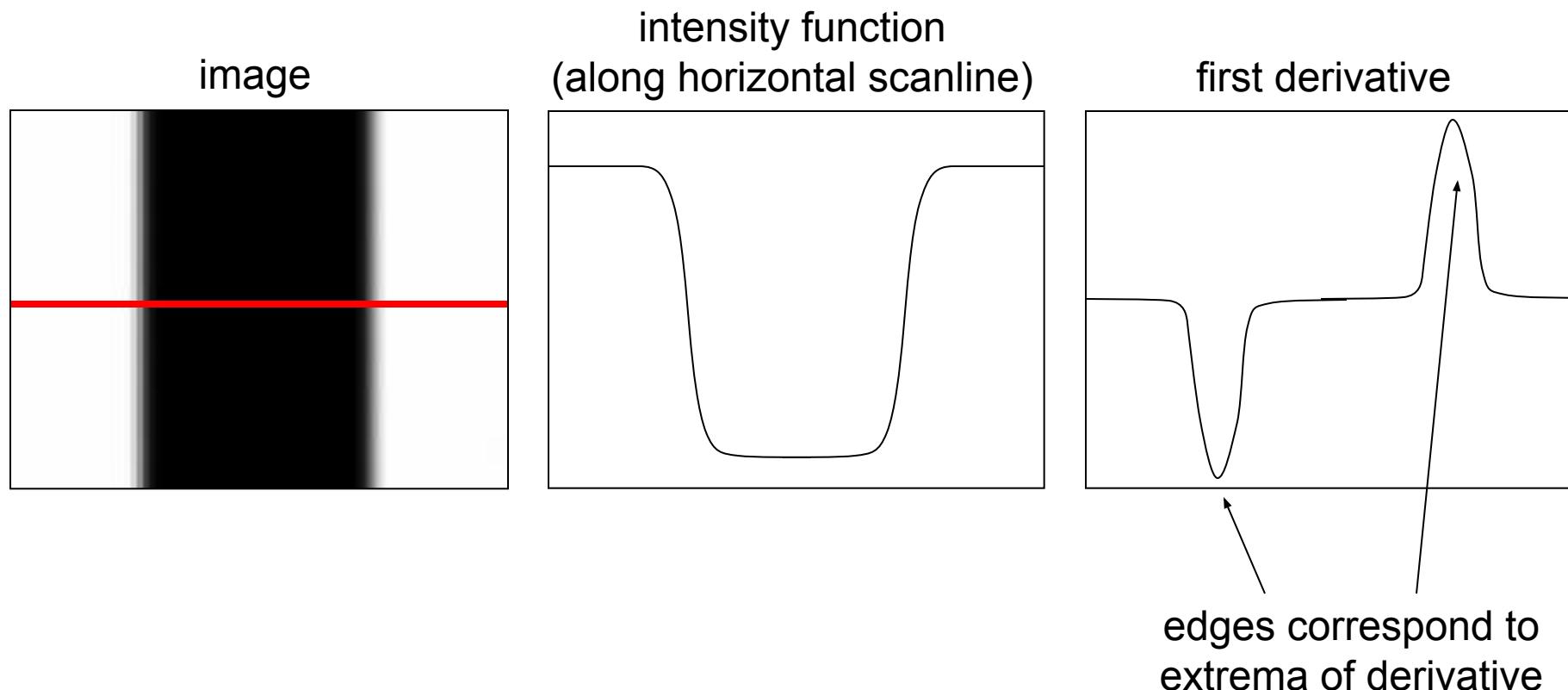
Properties of systems

- Spatial properties

- Shift invariance: $f[n - n_0, m - m_0] \xrightarrow{\mathcal{S}} g[n - n_0, m - m_0]$

Characterizing edges

- An edge is a place of rapid change in the image intensity function



Discrete derivative in 2D

Given function

$$f(x, y)$$

Gradient vector

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f(x, y)}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f(x, y)}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \end{bmatrix}$$

Gradient magnitude

$$|\nabla f(x, y)| = \sqrt{f_x^2 + f_y^2}$$

Gradient direction

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} / \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)$$

Finite differences: example

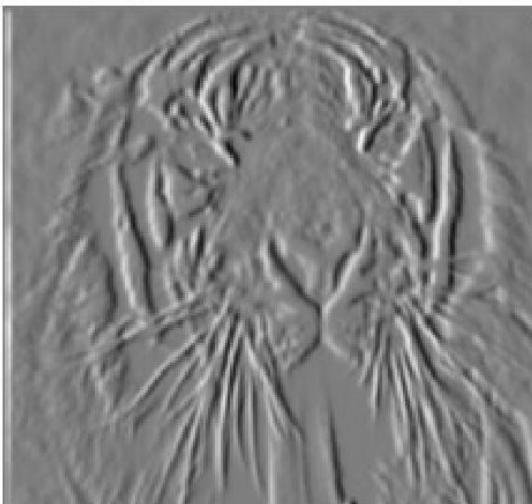
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Image



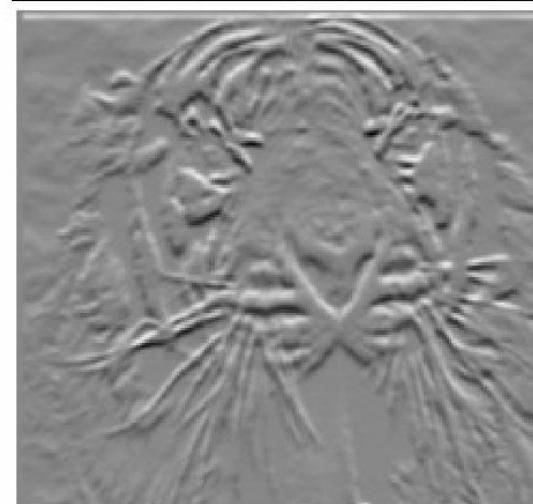
Gradient
magnitude



x-direction



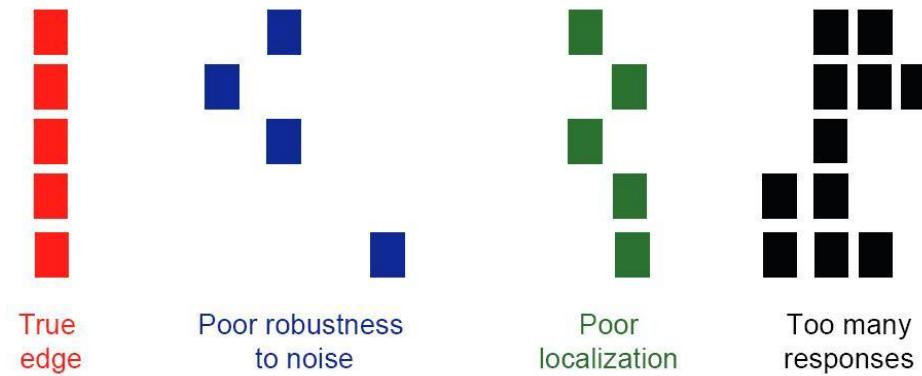
y-direction



- Which one is the gradient in the x-direction? How about y-direction?

Designing an edge detector

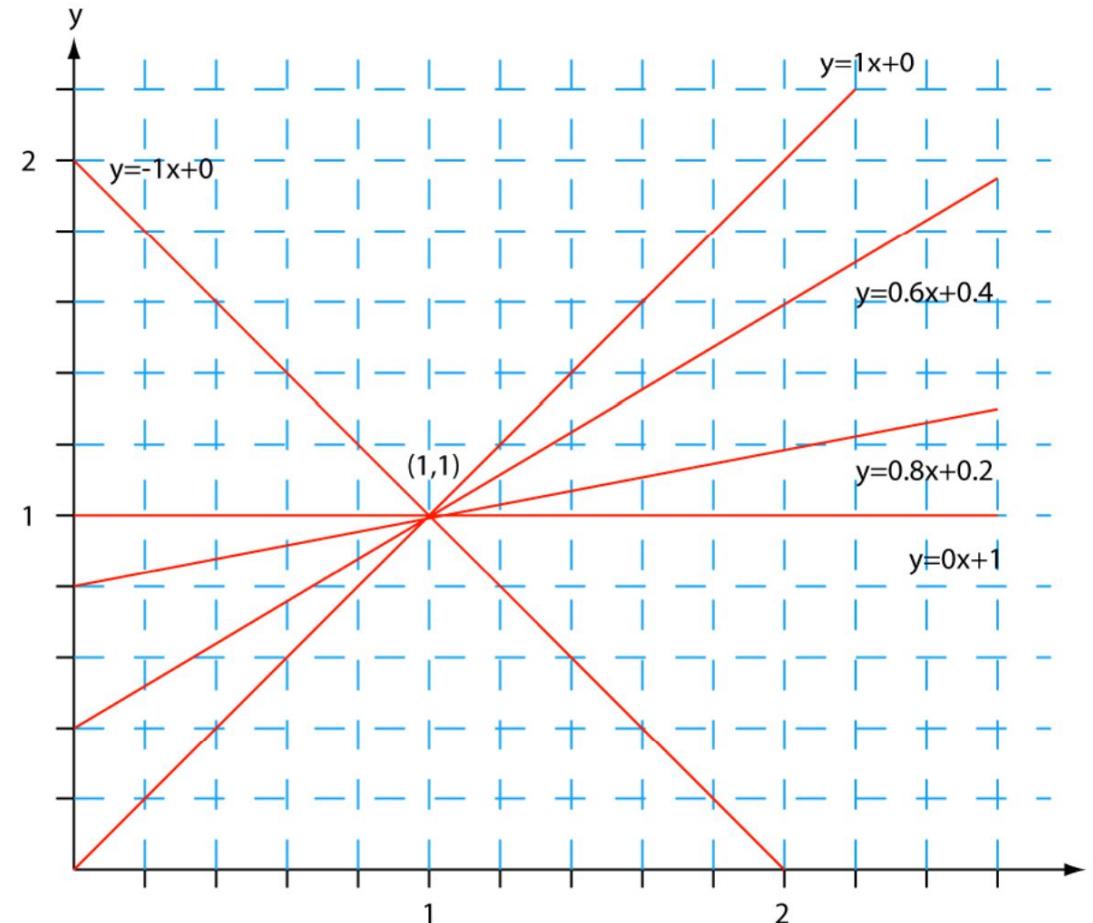
- Criteria for an “optimal” edge detector:
 - **Good detection:** the optimal detector must minimize the probability of false positives (detecting spurious edges caused by noise), as well as that of false negatives (missing real edges)
 - **Good localization:** the edges detected must be as close as possible to the true edges
 - **Single response:** the detector must return one point only for each true edge point; that is, minimize the number of local maxima around the true edge



Canny edge detector

- Suppress Noise
- Compute gradient magnitude and direction
- Apply Non-Maximum Suppression
 - Assures minimal response
- Use hysteresis and connectivity analysis to detect edges

Detecting lines using Hough transform



RANSAC: Pros and Cons

- **Pros:**

- General method suited for a wide range of model fitting problems
- Easy to implement and easy to calculate its failure rate

- **Cons:**

- Only handles a moderate percentage of outliers without cost blowing up
- Many real problems have high rate of outliers (but sometimes selective choice of random subsets can help)
- A voting strategy, The Hough transform, can handle high percentage of outliers

Requirements for keypoint localization

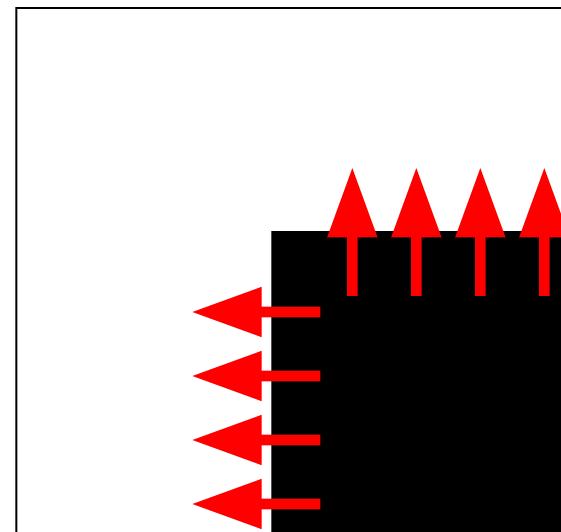
- Region extraction needs to be **repeatable** and **accurate**
 - **Invariant** to translation, rotation, scale changes
 - **Robust** or **covariant** to out-of-plane (\approx affine) transformations
 - **Robust** to lighting variations, noise, blur, quantization
- **Locality**: Features are local, therefore robust to occlusion and clutter.
- **Quantity**: We need a sufficient number of regions to cover the object.
- **Distinctiveness** : The regions should contain “interesting” structure.
- **Efficiency**: Close to real-time performance.

Slide credit: Bastian Leibe

Harris corner detector and second moment matrix

- First, let's consider an axis-aligned corner:

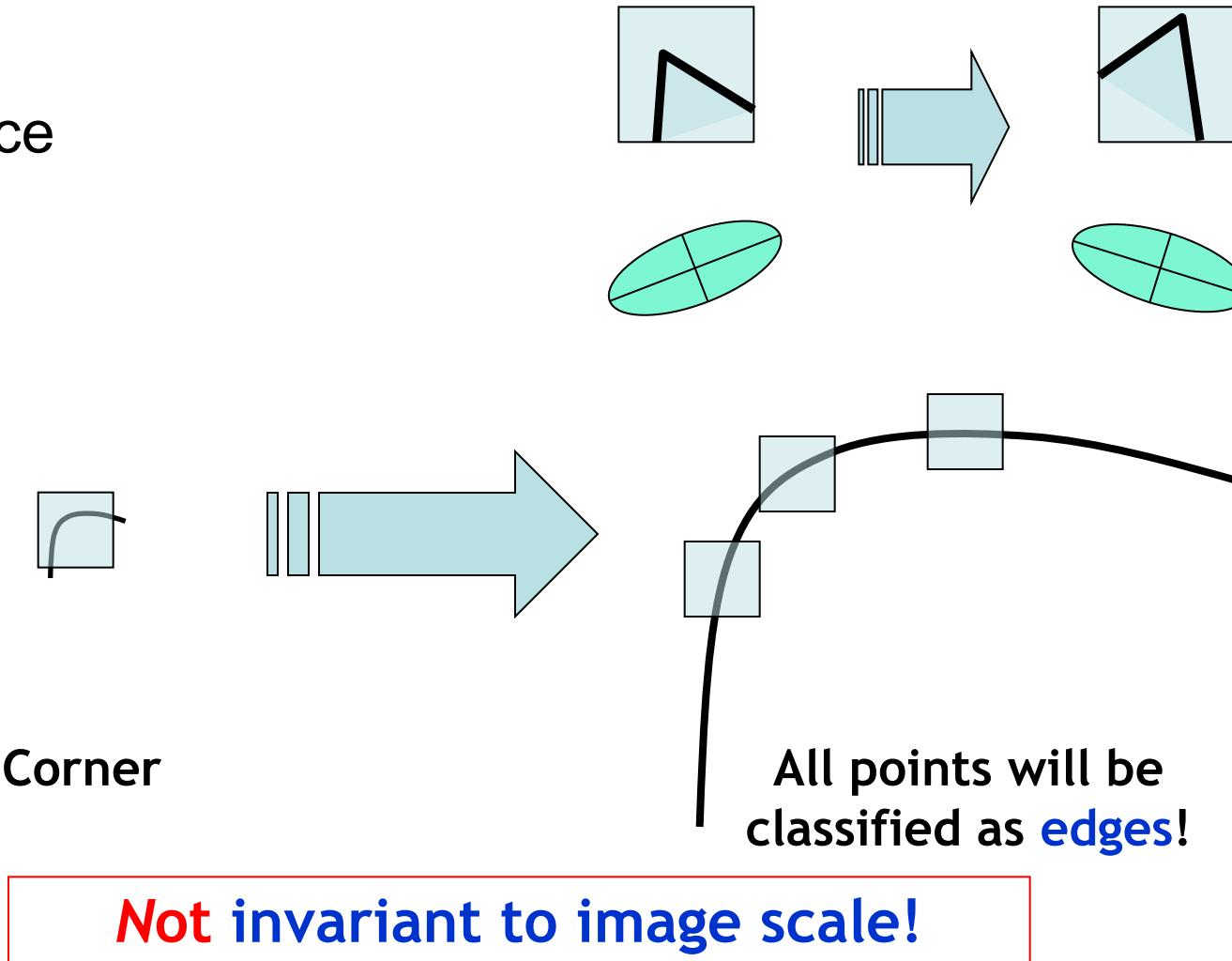
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x^2 & \sum I_x I_y \\ \sum I_x I_y & \sum I_y^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Slide credit: David Jacobs

Harris Detector: Properties

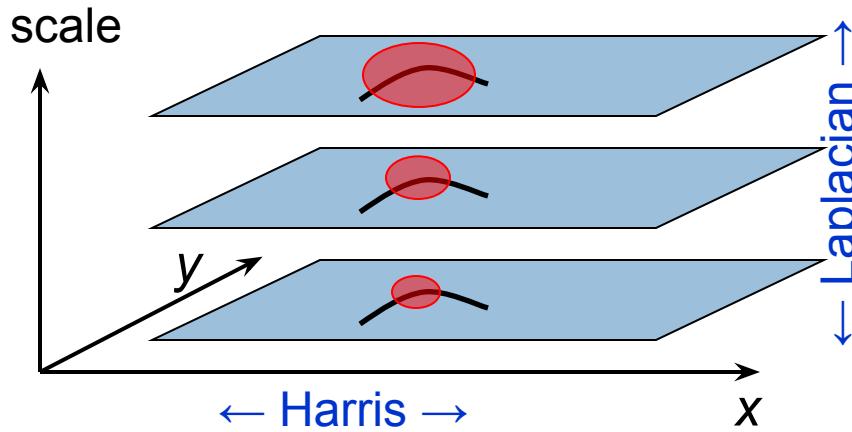
- Translation invariance
- Rotation invariance
- Scale invariance?



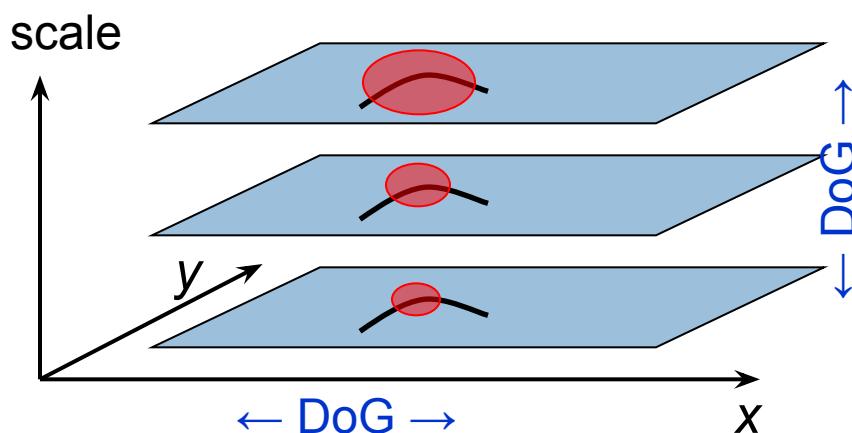
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Scale Invariant Detectors

- **Harris-Laplacian**¹
Find local maximum of:
 - Harris corner detector in space (image coordinates)
 - Laplacian in scale



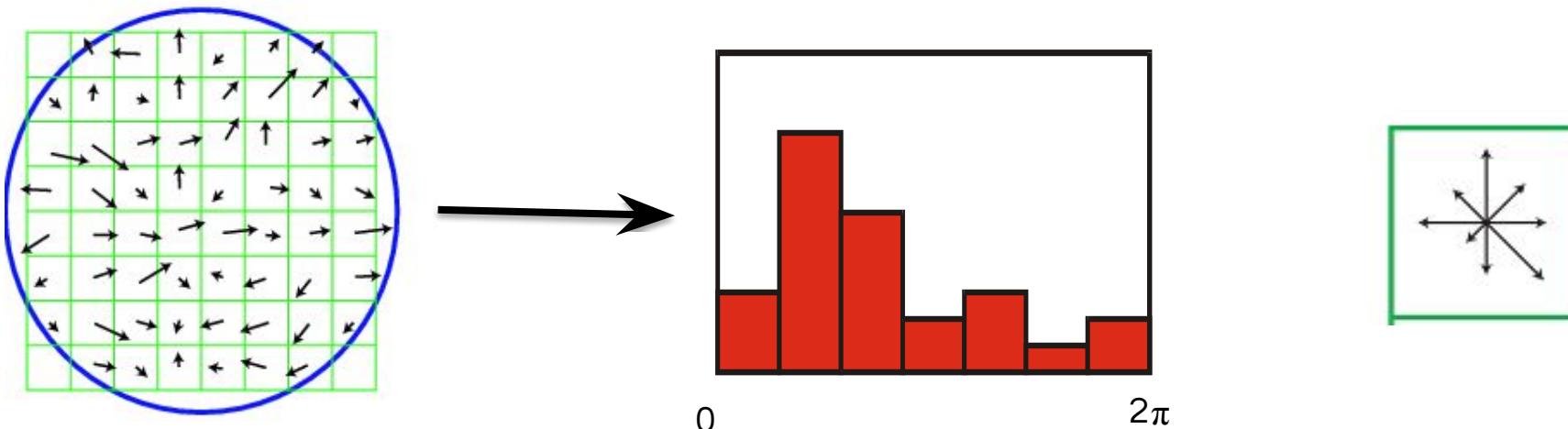
- **SIFT (Lowe)**²
Find local maximum of:
 - Difference of Gaussians in space and scale



¹ K.Mikolajczyk, C.Schmid. "Indexing Based on Scale Invariant Interest Points". ICCV 2001

² D.Lowe. "Distinctive Image Features from Scale-Invariant Keypoints". IJCV 2004

SIFT descriptor formation



- Using precise gradient locations is fragile. We'd like to allow some “slop” in the image, and still produce a very similar descriptor
- Create array of orientation histograms (a 4x4 array is shown)
- Put the rotated gradients into their local orientation histograms
 - A gradients's contribution is divided among the nearby histograms based on distance. If it's halfway between two histogram locations, it gives a half contribution to both.
 - Also, scale down gradient contributions for gradients far from the center
- The SIFT authors found that best results were with 8 orientation bins per histogram.

Difference between HoG and SIFT

- HoG is usually used to describe entire images. SIFT is used for key point matching
- SIFT histograms are oriented towards the dominant gradient. HoG is not.
- HoG gradients are normalized using neighborhood bins.
- SIFT descriptors use varying scales to compute multiple descriptors.

Seam Carving

- Assume $m \times n \square m \times n'$, $n' < n$ (summarization)
- Basic Idea: remove unimportant pixels from the image
 - Unimportant = pixels with less “energy”

$$E_1(\mathbf{I}) = \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{I} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mathbf{I} \right|.$$

- Intuition for gradient-based energy:
 - Preserve strong contours
 - Human vision more sensitive to edges – so try remove content from smoother areas
 - Simple enough for producing some nice results

Gestalt Factors



Not grouped



Proximity



Similarity



Similarity



Common Fate

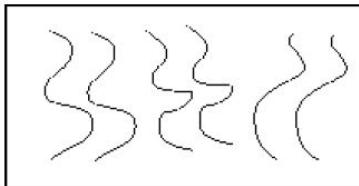


Common Region

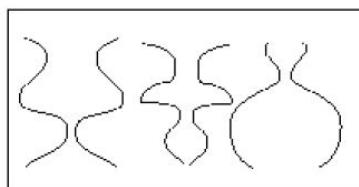
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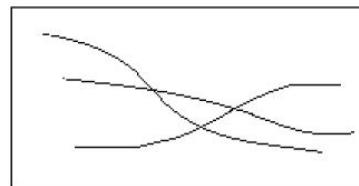
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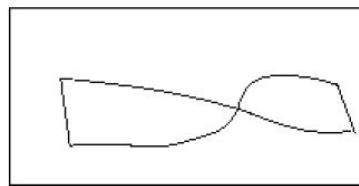
Parallelism



Symmetry



Continuity



Closure

Image source: Forsyth & Ponce

Conclusions: Agglomerative Clustering

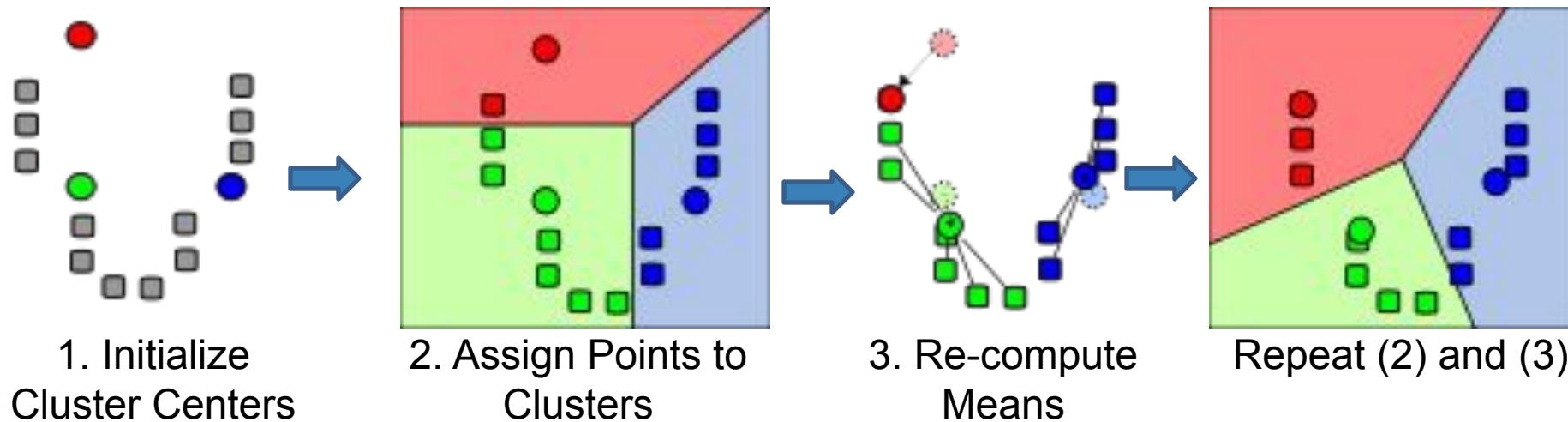
Good

- Simple to implement, widespread application.
- Clusters have adaptive shapes.
- Provides a hierarchy of clusters.
- No need to specify number of clusters in advance.

Bad

- May have imbalanced clusters.
- Still have to choose number of clusters or threshold.
- Does not scale well. Runtime of $O(n^3)$.
- Can get stuck at a local optima.

K-means clustering

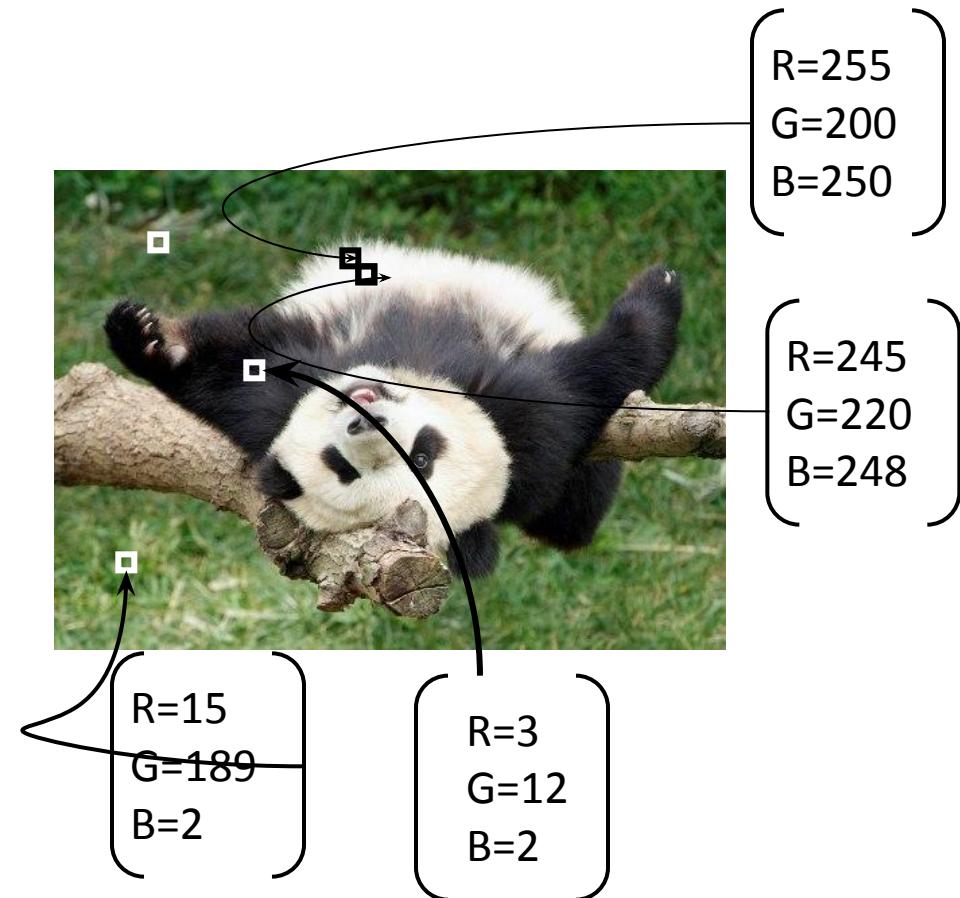
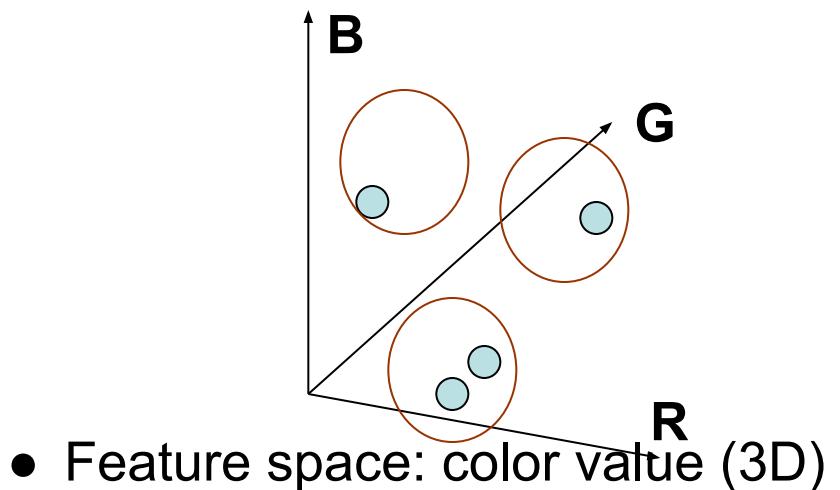


- Java demo:

http://home.dei.polimi.it/matteucc/Clustering/tutorial_html/AppletKM.html

Feature Space

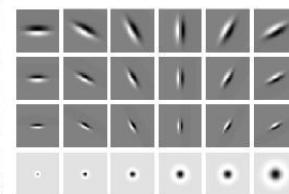
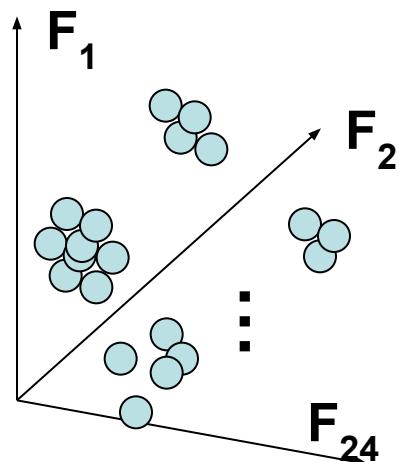
- Depending on what we choose as the *feature space*, we can group pixels in different ways.
- Grouping pixels based on **color** similarity



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Feature Space

- Depending on what we choose as the *feature space*, we can group pixels in different ways.
- Grouping pixels based on **texture** similarity



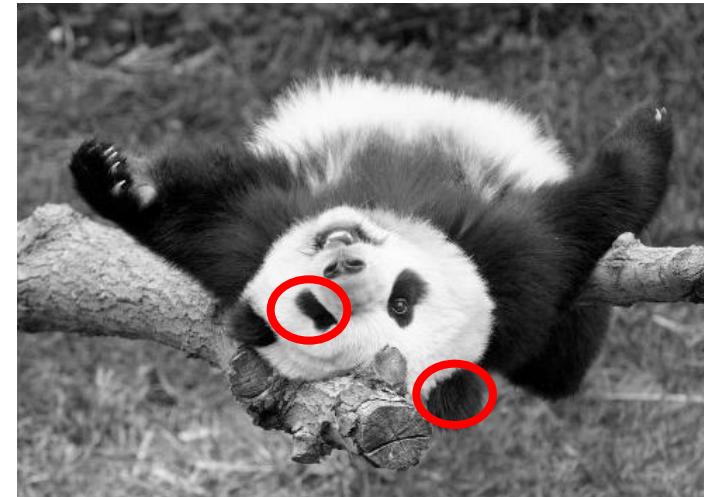
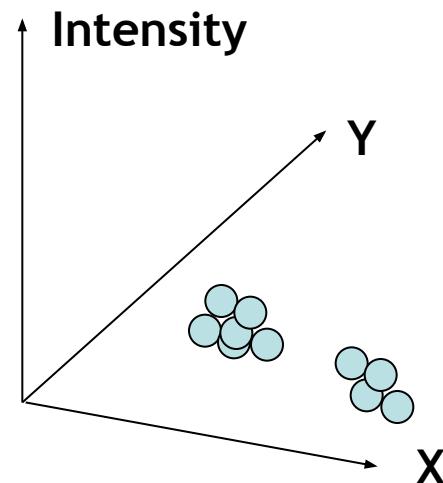
Filter bank of
24 filters

- Feature space: filter bank responses (e.g., 24D)

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Segmentation as Clustering

- Depending on what we choose as the *feature space*, we can group pixels in different ways.
- Grouping pixels based on *intensity+position* similarity

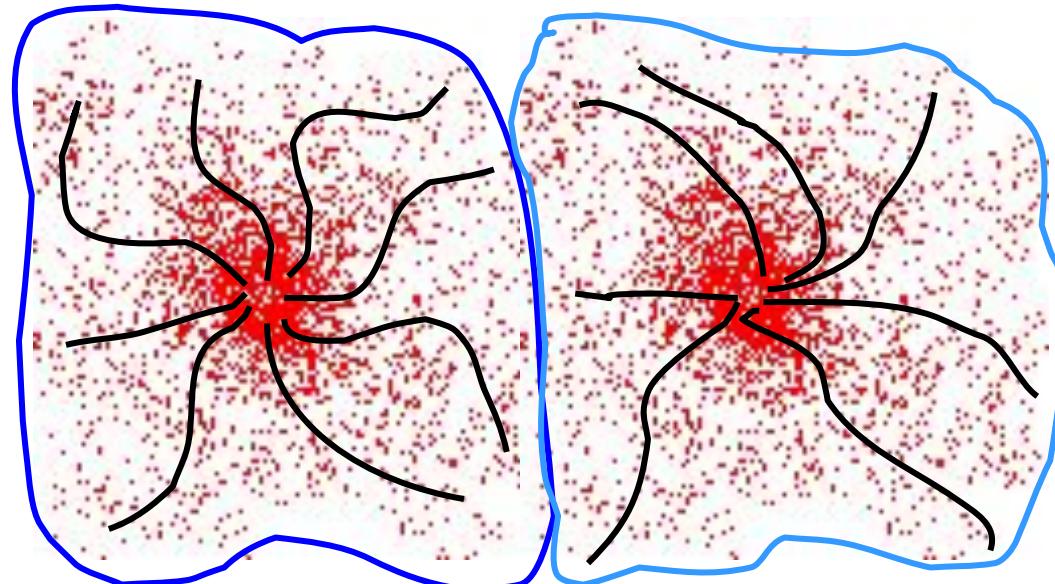


⇒ Way to encode both *similarity* and *proximity*.

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Mean-Shift Clustering

- Cluster: all data points in the attraction basin of a mode
- Attraction basin: the region for which all trajectories lead to the same mode

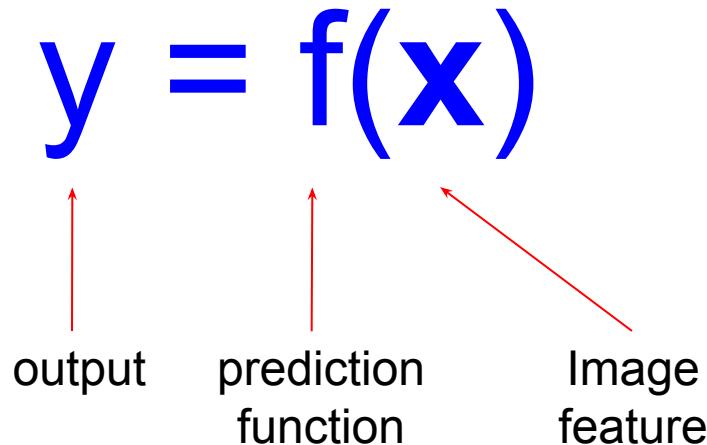


Slide by Y. Ukrainitz & B. Sarel

Summary Mean-Shift

- Pros
 - General, application-independent tool
 - Model-free, does not assume any prior shape (spherical, elliptical, etc.) on data clusters
 - Just a single parameter (window size h)
 - h has a physical meaning (unlike k-means)
 - Finds variable number of modes
 - Robust to outliers
- Cons
 - Output depends on window size
 - Window size (bandwidth) selection is not trivial
 - Computationally (relatively) expensive (~2s/image)
 - Does not scale well with dimension of feature space

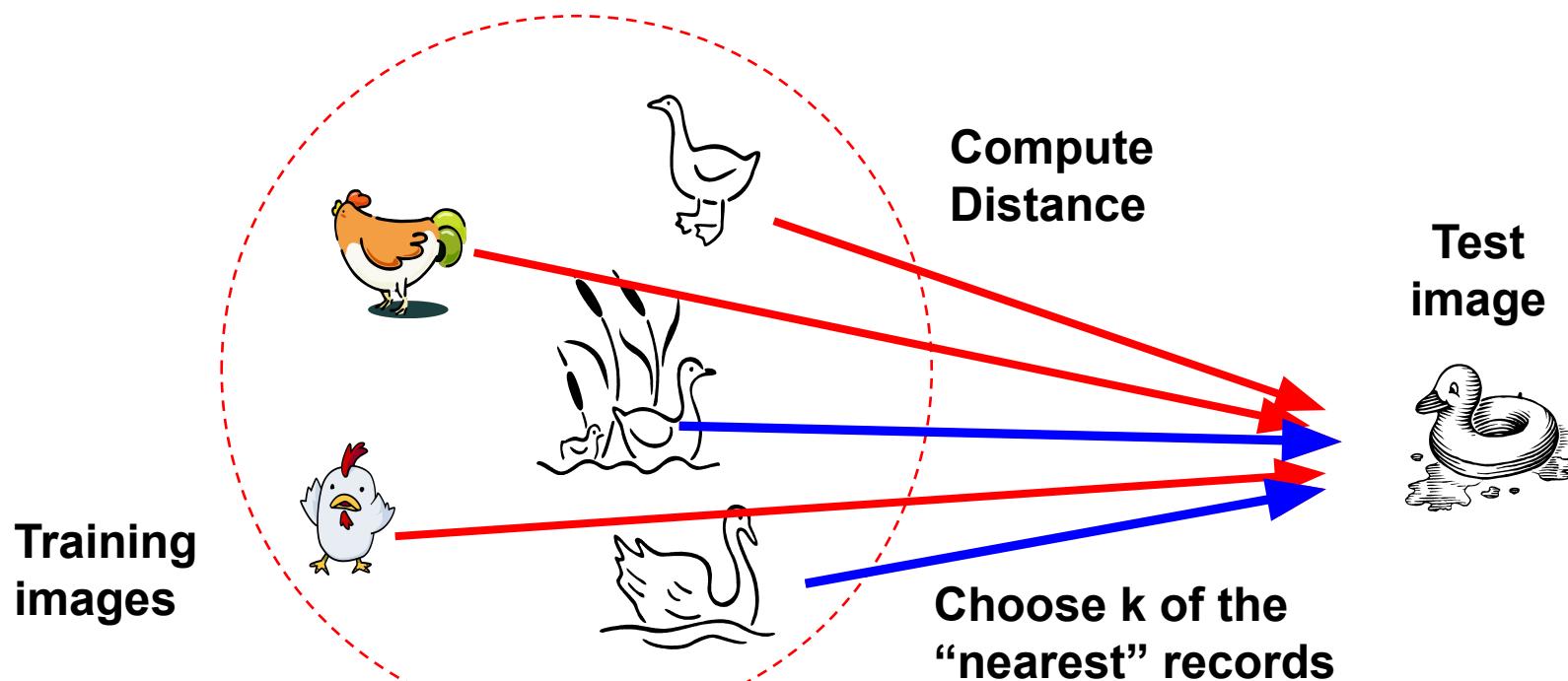
The machine learning framework



- **Training:** given a *training set* of labeled examples $\{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_N, y_N)\}$, estimate the prediction function f by minimizing the prediction error on the training set
- **Testing:** apply f to a never before seen *test example* \mathbf{x} and output the predicted value $y = f(\mathbf{x})$

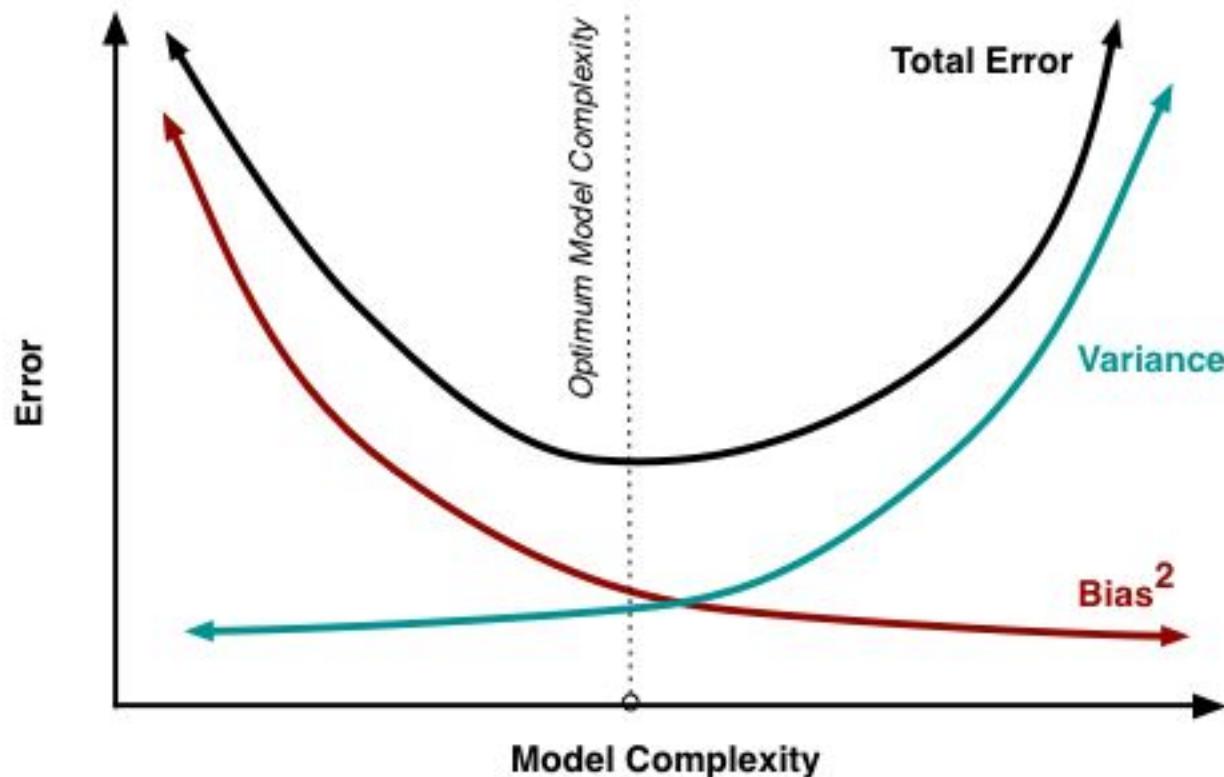
Nearest Neighbor Classifier

- Assign label of nearest training data point to each test data point



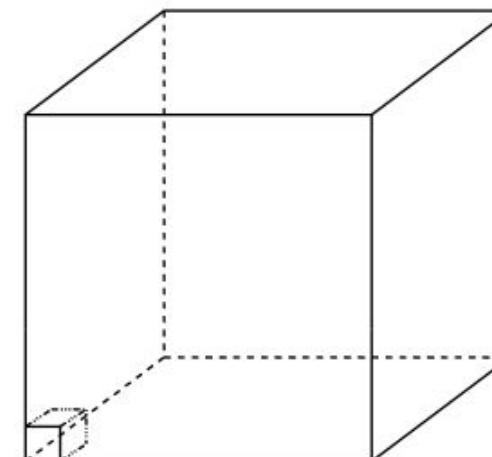
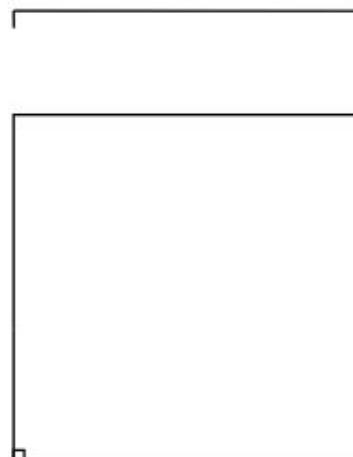
Source: N. Goyal

Bias versus variance trade off

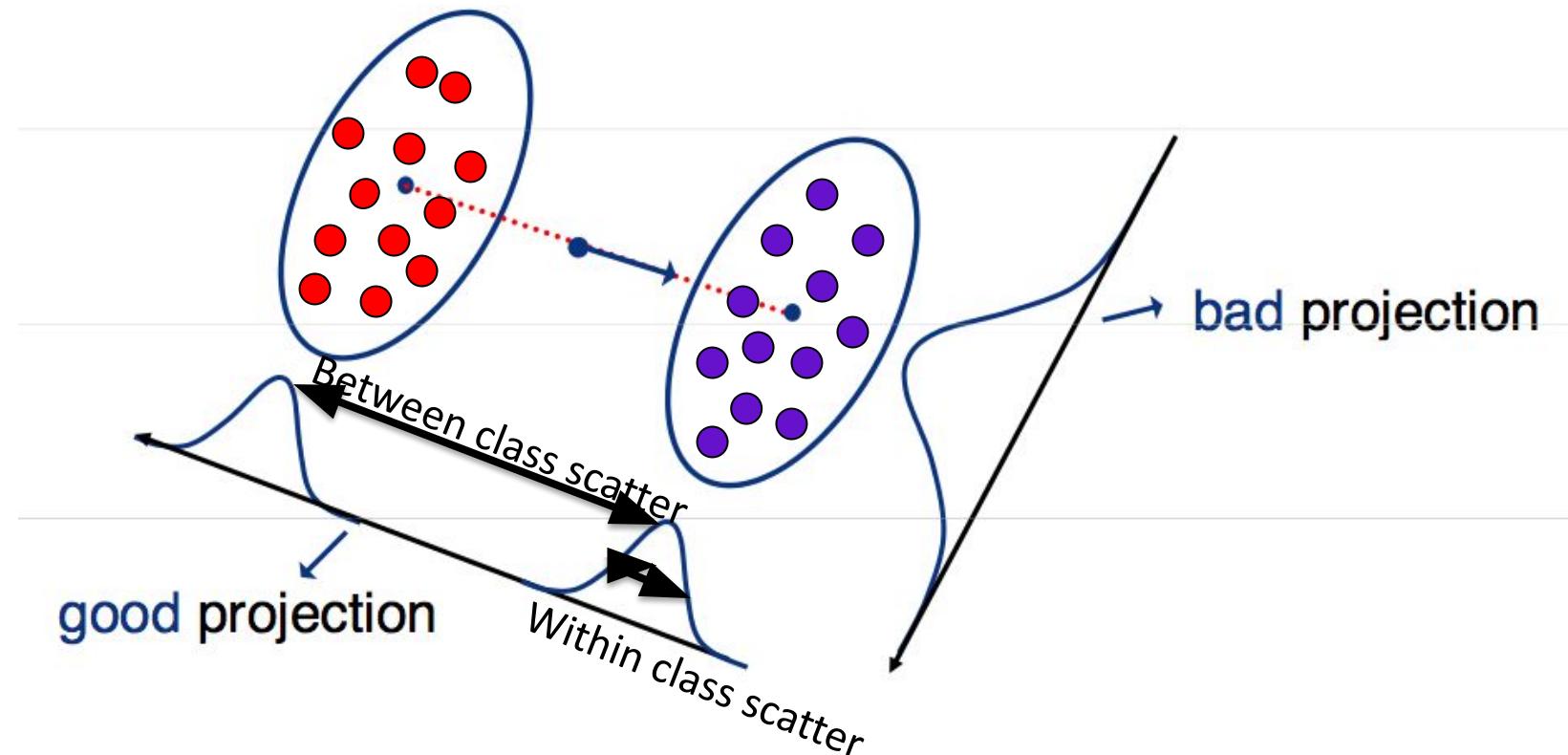


Curse of dimensionality

- Assume 5000 points uniformly distributed in the unit hypercube and we want to apply 5-NN. Suppose our query point is at the origin.
 - In 1-dimension, we must go a distance of $5/5000=0.001$ on the average to capture 5 nearest neighbors.
 - In 2 dimensions, we must go $\sqrt{0.001}$ to get a square that contains 0.001 of the volume.
 - In d dimensions, we must go $(0.001)^{1/d}$



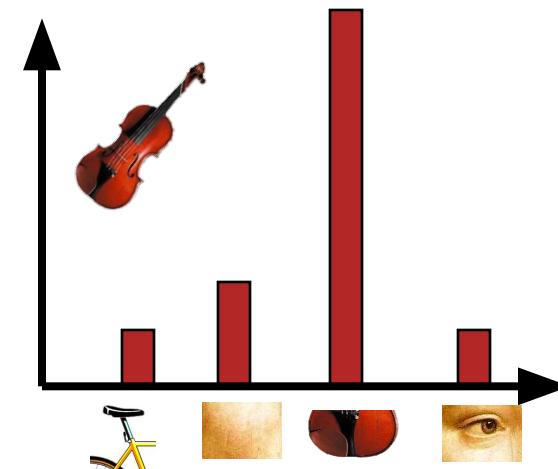
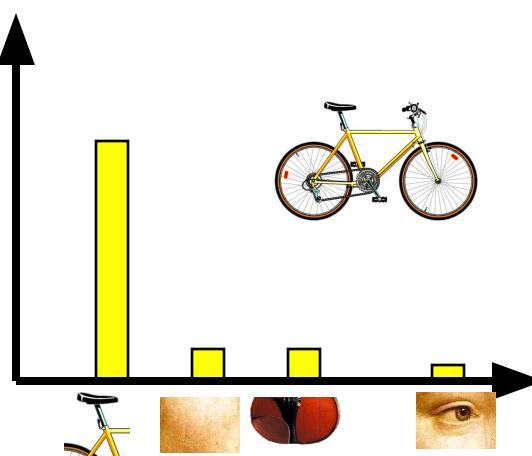
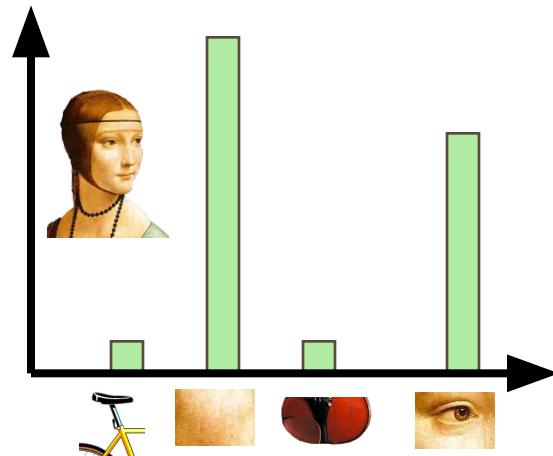
Fischer's Linear Discriminant Analysis



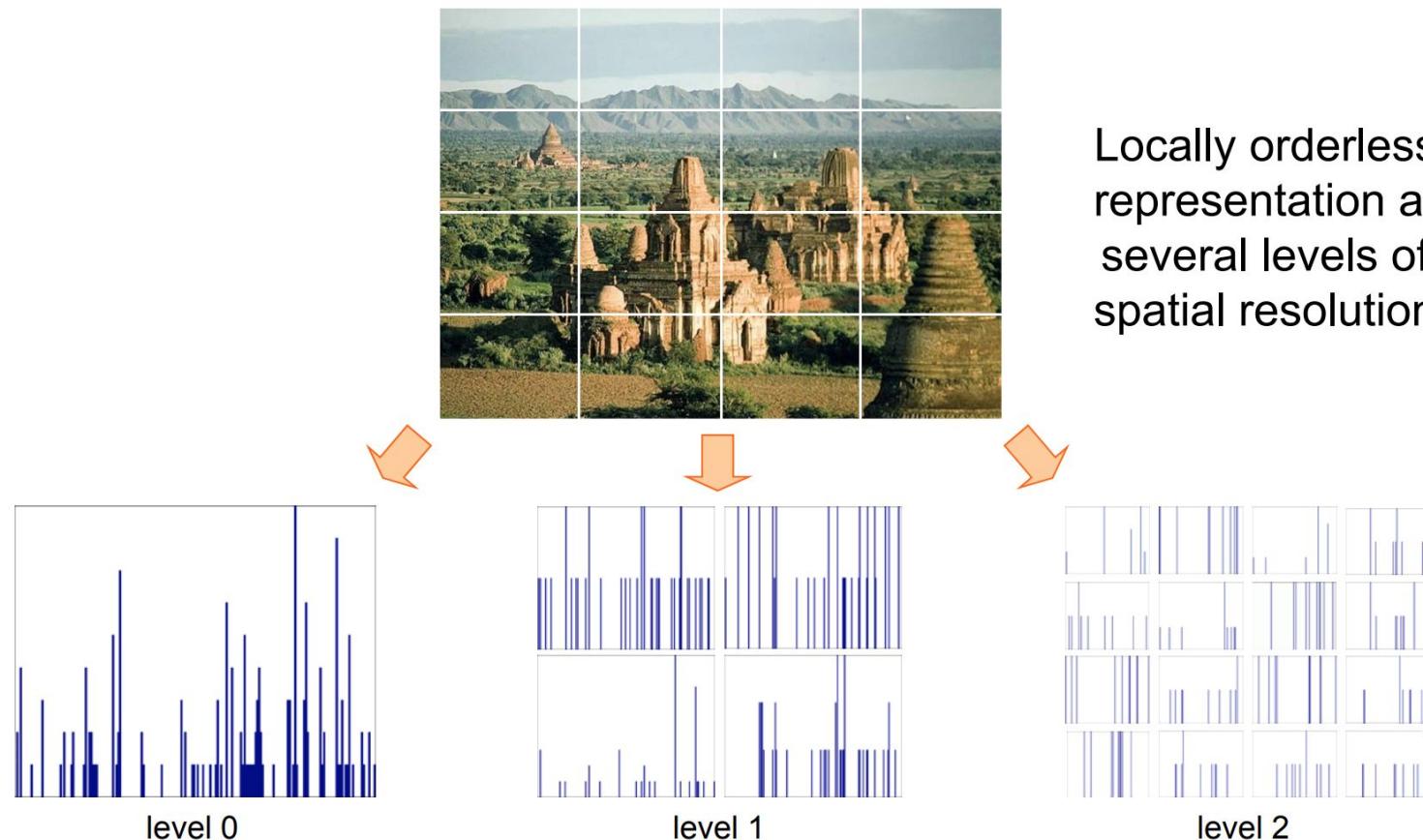
Slide inspired by N. Vasconcelos

Bag of features: outline

1. Extract features
2. Learn “visual vocabulary”
3. Quantize features using visual vocabulary
4. Represent images by frequencies of “visual words”

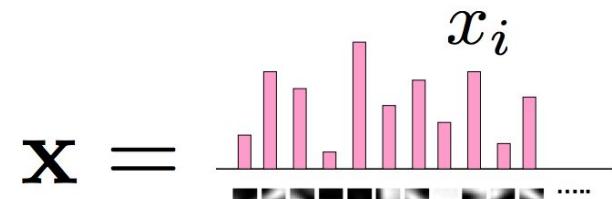


Bag of words + pyramids



Naïve Bayes

- Classify image using histograms of occurrences on visual words:



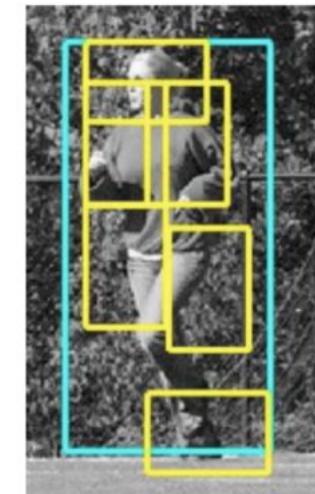
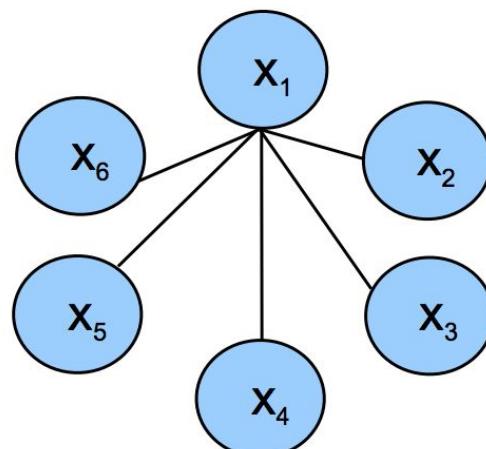
- if only present/absence of a word is taken into account:
- Naïve Bayes classifier assumes that visual words are conditionally independent given object class

$$x_i \in \{0, 1\}$$

Csurka Bray, Dance & Fan, 2004

Detecting a person with their parts

- For example, a person can be modelled as having a head, left arm, right arm, etc.
- All parts can be modelled relative to the global person detector



Fine-Grained Recognition



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Cardigan Welsh Corgi



...

Pembroke Welsh Corgi



?

What breed is this dog?

Key: Find the right features.

Points

2D points: $\mathbf{x} = (x, y) \in \mathcal{R}^2$ or column vector $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$

3D points: $\mathbf{x} = (x, y, z) \in \mathcal{R}^3$ (often noted \mathbf{X} or \mathbf{P})

Homogeneous coordinates: append a 1

Why? $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = (x, y, 1)$ $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = (x, y, z, 1)$

Homogeneous coordinates in 2D

2D Projective Space $\mathcal{P}^2 = \mathcal{R}^3 - (0, 0, 0)$ (same story in 3D with \mathcal{P}^3)

- heterogeneous \rightarrow homogeneous

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- homogeneous \rightarrow heterogeneous

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x/w \\ y/w \end{bmatrix}$$

- points differing only by scale are *equivalent*: $(x, y, w) \sim \lambda (x, y, w)$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{w}) = \tilde{w}(x, y, 1) = \tilde{w}\bar{\mathbf{x}}$$

Camera matrix decomposition

We can decompose the camera matrix like this:

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



(homogeneous) **transformation**
from **2D to 2D**, accounting for
focal length f and origin translation

(homogeneous) **perspective projection**
from **3D to 2D**, assuming image plane at
 $z = 1$ and shared camera/image origin

Also written as: $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{I}|0]$

where $\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

K is called the
camera intrinsics

Putting it all together

We can write everything into a single projection: $\mathbf{x}^{\text{I}} \sim \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{0}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & -\mathbf{RC} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^{\text{W}} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}^{\text{W}}$

The camera matrix now looks like:

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & | & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & -\mathbf{RC} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

intrinsic parameters (3 x 3):
correspond to camera
internals (image-to-image
transformation)

perspective projection (3 x 4):
maps 3D to 2D points
(camera-to-image
transformation)

extrinsic parameters (4 x 4):
correspond to camera
externals (world-to-camera
transformation)

General pinhole camera matrix

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R}|\mathbf{t}] \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{t} = -\mathbf{R}\mathbf{C}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & r_2 & r_3 & t_1 \\ r_4 & r_5 & r_6 & t_2 \\ r_7 & r_8 & r_9 & t_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

intrinsic
parameters

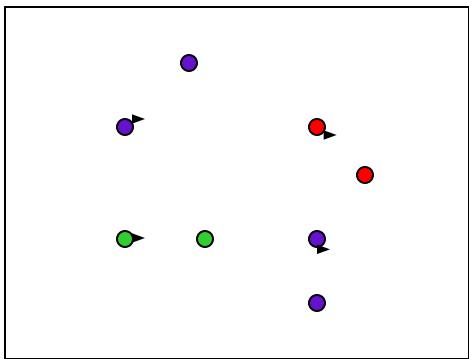
extrinsic
parameters

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & r_2 & r_3 \\ r_4 & r_5 & r_6 \\ r_7 & r_8 & r_9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \\ t_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

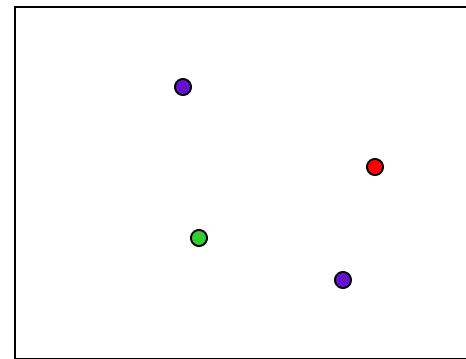
3D rotation

3D translation

Estimating optical flow



$I(x,y,t-1)$



$I(x,y,t)$

- Given two subsequent frames, estimate the apparent motion field $u(x,y), v(x,y)$ between them
- Key assumptions
 - **Brightness constancy:** projection of the same point looks the same in every frame
 - **Small motion:** points do not move very far
 - **Spatial coherence:** points move like their neighbors

Source: Silvio Savarese

Lucas Kande optical flow

- Optimal (u, v) satisfies Lucas-Kanade equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x I_x & \sum I_x I_y \\ \sum I_x I_y & \sum I_y I_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x I_t \\ \sum I_y I_t \end{bmatrix}$$

$A^T A$ $A^T b$

When is This Solvable?

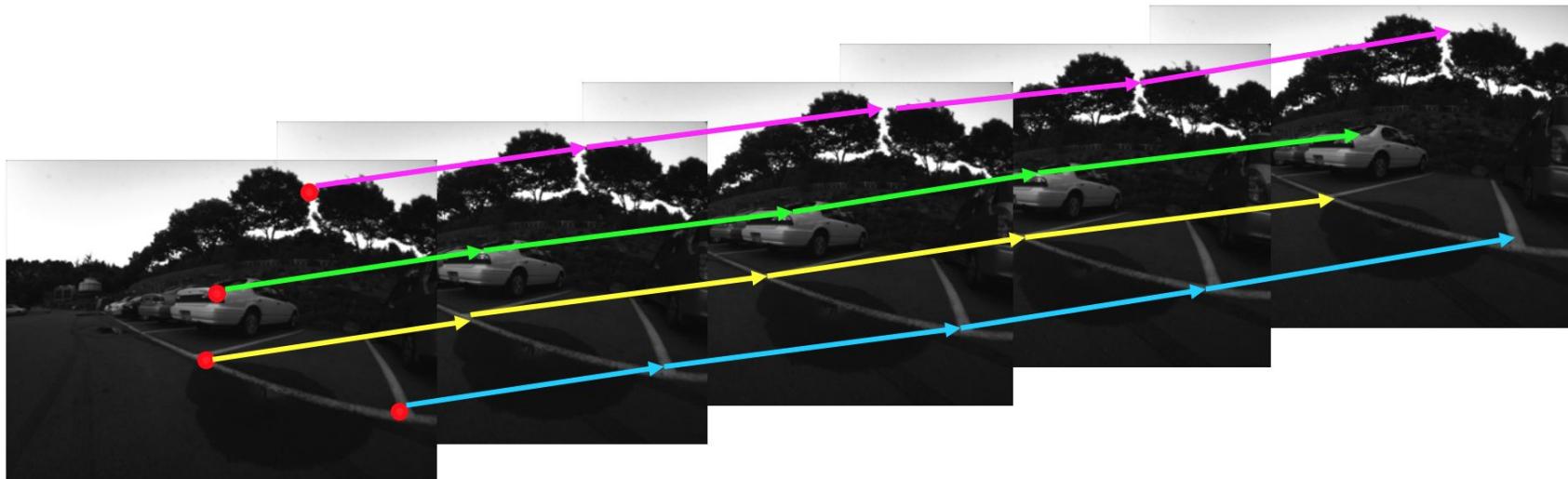
- $A^T A$ should be invertible
- $A^T A$ should not be too small due to noise
 - eigenvalues λ_1 and λ_2 of $A^T A$ should not be too small
- $A^T A$ should be well-conditioned
 - λ_1 / λ_2 should not be too large (λ_1 = larger eigenvalue)

Does this remind anything to you?

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Tracking

Feature point tracking



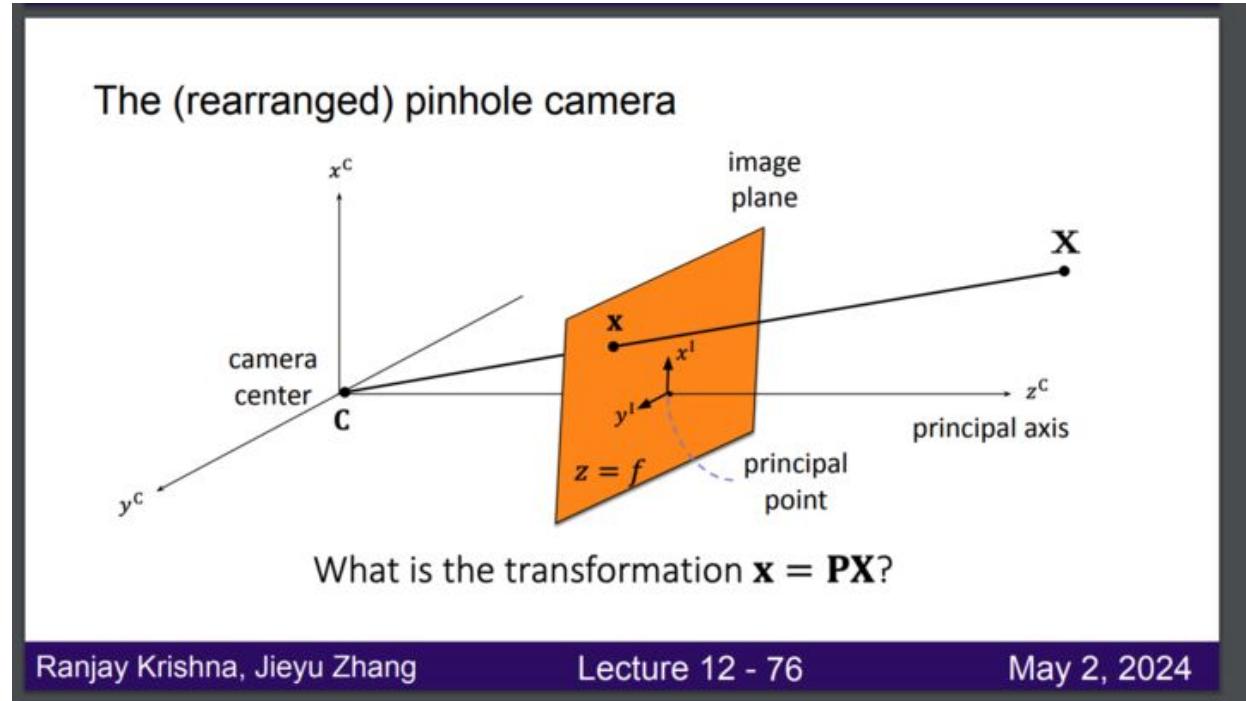
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What should you take away from this class?

- A broad understanding of computer vision as a field.
- Learning to use common software packages: jupyter, numpy, scipy.
- Converting ideas into mathematical equations.
- Converting mathematical equations into code.
- Learning to communicate ideas and algorithms in formal writing.

Exam

- Pay attention to formulation and definition
eg, what is principal point and principal axis?



Exam

- Pay attention to calculation

say what's eigenvectors and eigenvalues of the matrix A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

PCA by SVD

$$C = \frac{1}{n} U \Sigma^2 U^T$$

- Note that U is $(d \times d)$ and orthonormal, and Σ^2 is diagonal.
This is just the eigenvalue decomposition of C
- This means that we can calculate the eigenvectors of C using the eigenvectors of X_c
- It follows that
 - The eigenvectors of C are the columns of U
 - The eigenvalues of C are the diagonal entries of Σ^2 : λ_i^2

Exam

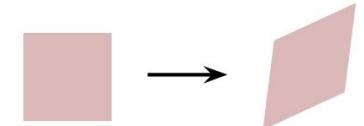
- Pay attention to property and property comparison between methods
- Pay attention to why and when we use or not use a method
- Pay attention to assumptions, when they hold or not hold

Affine transformation = similarity + no restrictions on scaling

Properties of affine transformations:

- arbitrary 6 Degrees Of Freedom
- lines map to lines
- parallel lines map to parallel lines
- ratios are preserved

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$



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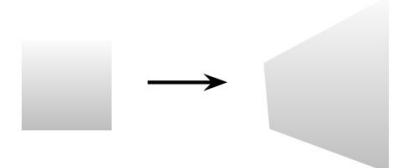
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Projective transformation (homography)

Properties of projective transformations:

- 8 degrees of freedom
- lines map to lines
- parallel lines do not necessarily map to parallel lines
- ratios are not necessarily preserved

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$



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Good Luck