

Optical Flow

Motion analysis

Horn & Schunck Optical flow

Brightness constancy assumption

$$f(x, y, t) = f(x + dx, y + dy, t + dt)$$



Taylor Series

$$f(x,y,t) = f(x,y,t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} dt$$

$$f_x dx + f_y dy + f_t dt = 0$$

$$f_x u + f_y v + f_t = 0$$

Solving Optical flow equation

- + Pseudo inverse
- + Least squares
- + Eigen vector

Optical flow eq

$$f_x u + f_y v = -f_t$$

Consider 3 by 3 window

$$f_{x1}u + f_{y1}v = -f_{t1}$$

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$$f_{x9}u + f_{y9}v = -f_{t9}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{x1} & f_{y1} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ f_{x9} & f_{y9} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -f_{t1} \\ \vdots \\ -f_{t9} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Au = f_t$$

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$$\mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{f}_{\mathsf{t}}$$
$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{f}_{\mathsf{t}}$$

Pseudo Inverse



$$\min \sum_{i} (f_{xi}u + f_{yi}v + f_t)^2$$

Least Squares Fit

$$\min \sum_{i} (f_{xi}u + f_{yi}v + f_t)^2$$



$$\sum (f_{xi}u + f_{yi}v + f_{ti})f_{xi} = 0$$

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$$\sum f_{xi}^2 u + \sum f_{xi} f_{yi} v = -\sum f_{xi} f_{ti}$$
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$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum f_{xi}^2 & \sum f_{xi}f_{yi} \\ \sum f_{xi}f_{yi} & \sum f_{yi}^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sum f_{xi}f_{ti} \\ -\sum f_{yi}f_{ti} \end{bmatrix}$$

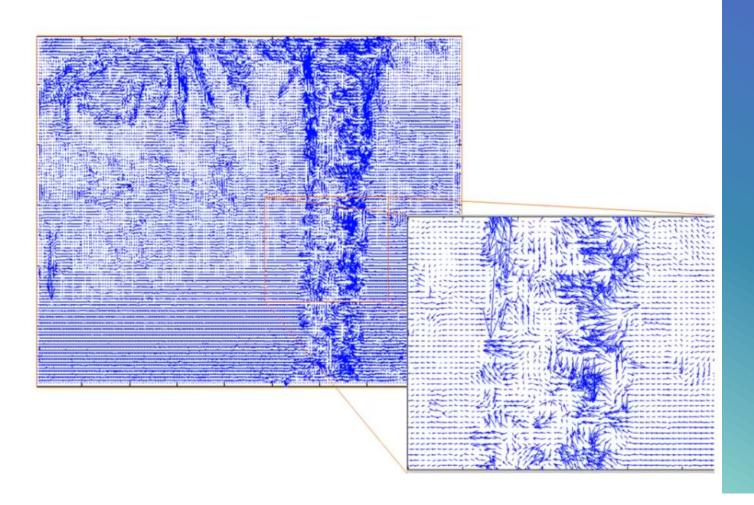
$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum f_{xi}^2 & \sum f_{xi} f_{yi} \\ \sum f_{xi} f_{yi} & \sum f_{yi}^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -\sum f_{xi} f_{ti} \\ -\sum f_{yi} f_{ti} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sum f_{xi}^2 \sum f_{yi}^2 - (\sum f_{xi} f_{yi})^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum f_{yi}^2 & -\sum f_{xi} f_{yi} \\ -\sum f_{xi} f_{yi} & \sum f_{xi}^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\sum f_{xi} f_{ti} \\ -\sum f_{yi} f_{ti} \end{bmatrix}$$

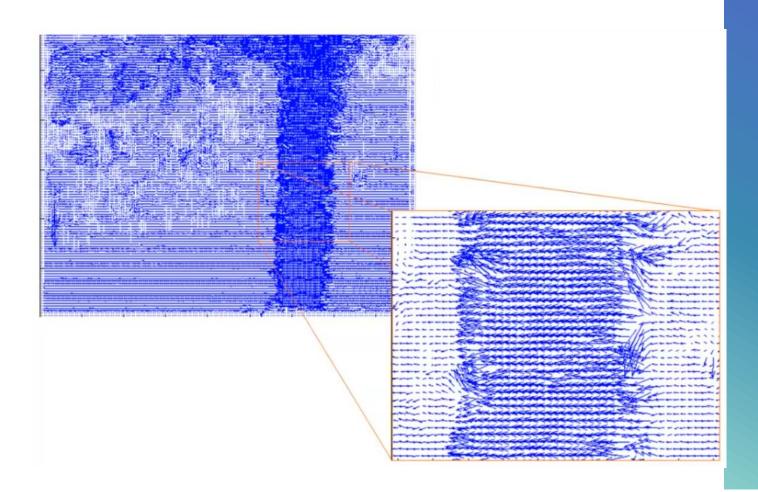
$$u = \frac{-\sum f_{yi}^{2} \sum f_{xi} f_{ti} + \sum f_{xi} f_{yi} \sum f_{yi} f_{ti}}{\sum f_{xi}^{2} \sum f_{yi}^{2} - (\sum f_{xi} f_{yi})^{2}}$$

$$v = \frac{\sum f_{xi} f_{ti} \sum f_{xi} f_{yi} - \sum f_{xi}^{2} \sum f_{yi} f_{ti}}{\sum f_{xi}^{2} \sum f_{yi}^{2} - (\sum f_{xi} f_{yi})^{2}}$$

- + Without Pyramid
- + Fails in areas of large motion



+ With Pyramid



Conclusion

- + Horn-Schunck and Lucas-Kanade optical flow works only for small motion
- + If the object moves faster then brightness changes rapidly,
 - 2*2 or 3*3 masks fails to estimate spatiotemporal derivatives
- + Pyramids can be used to compute large optical flow vectors