

# Recitation 5

2D Transformations

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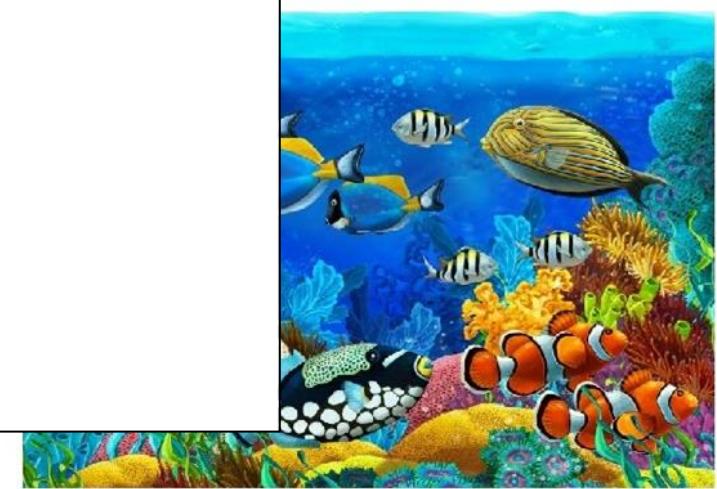
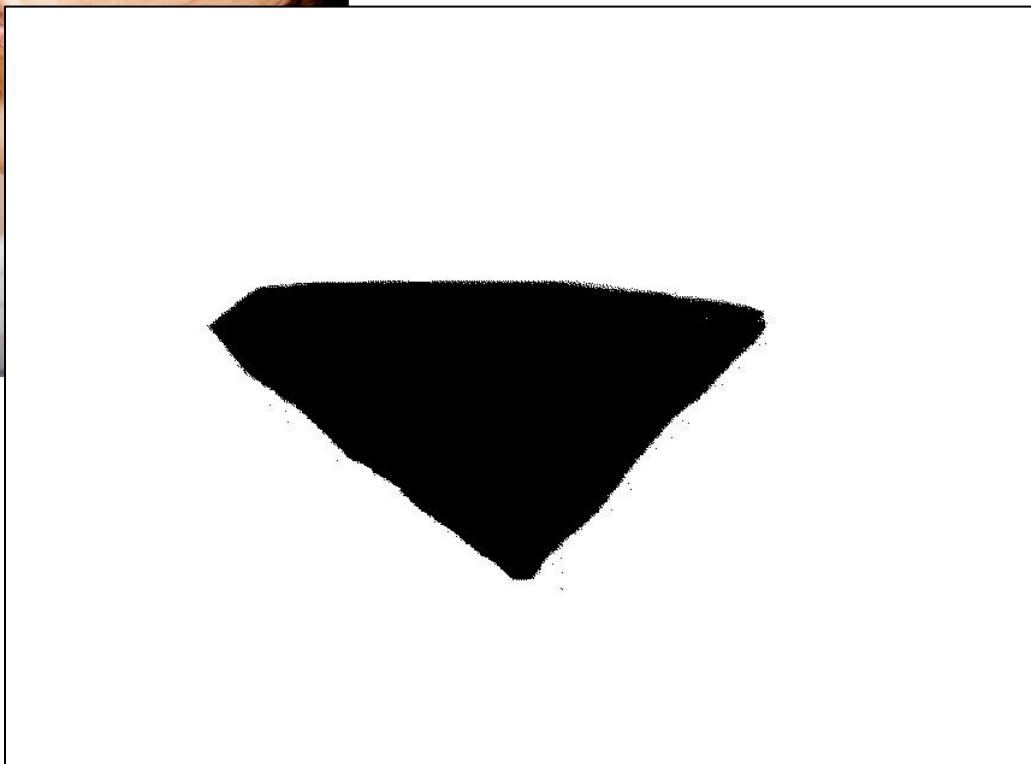
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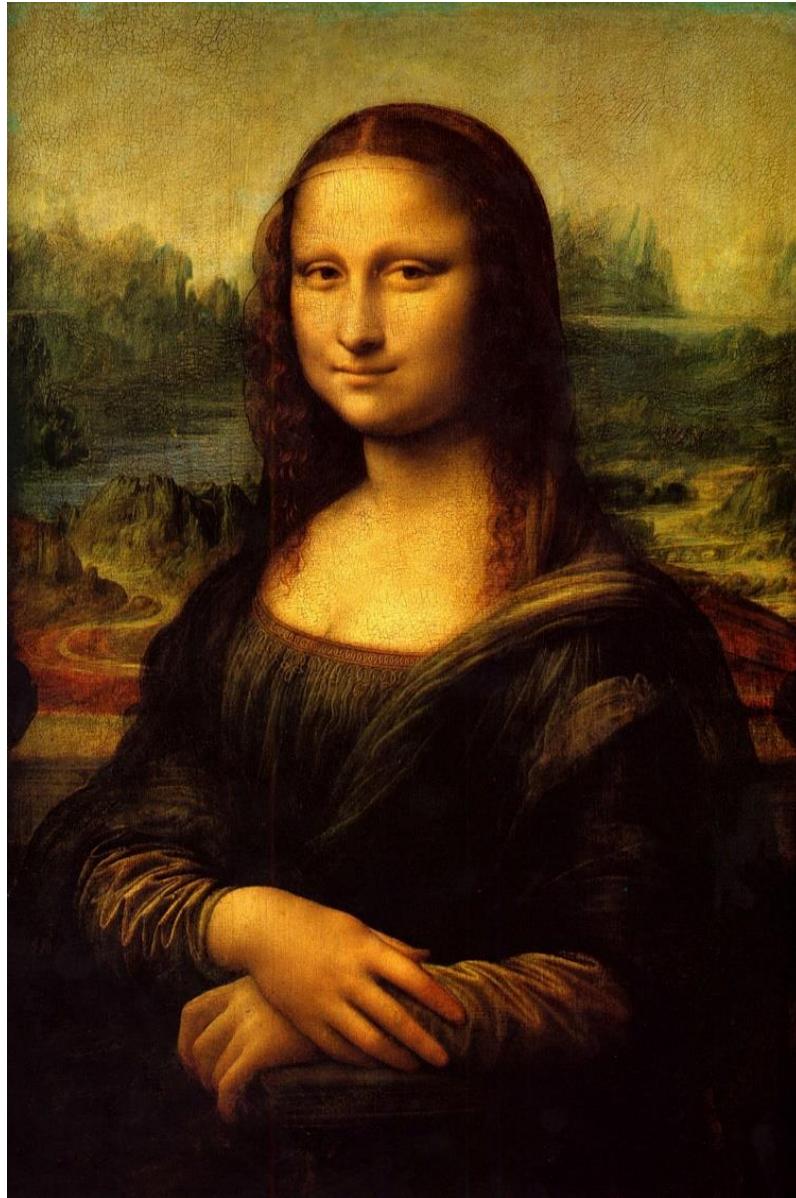
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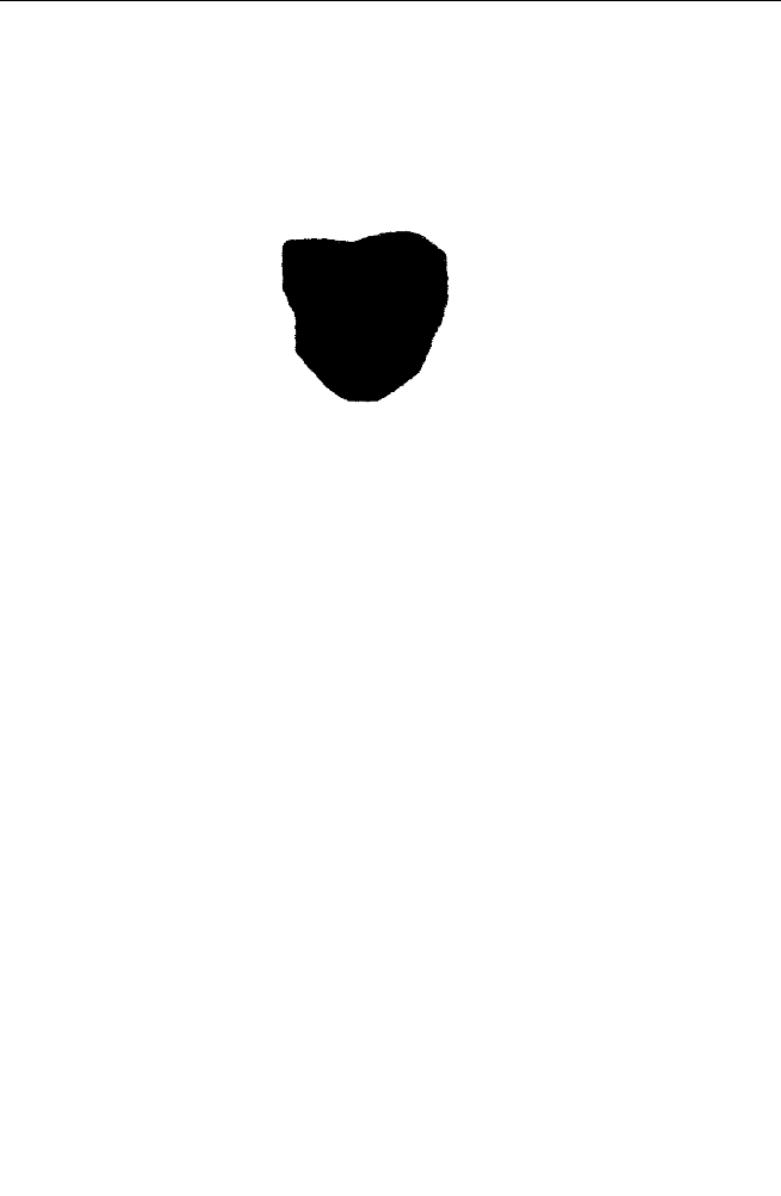
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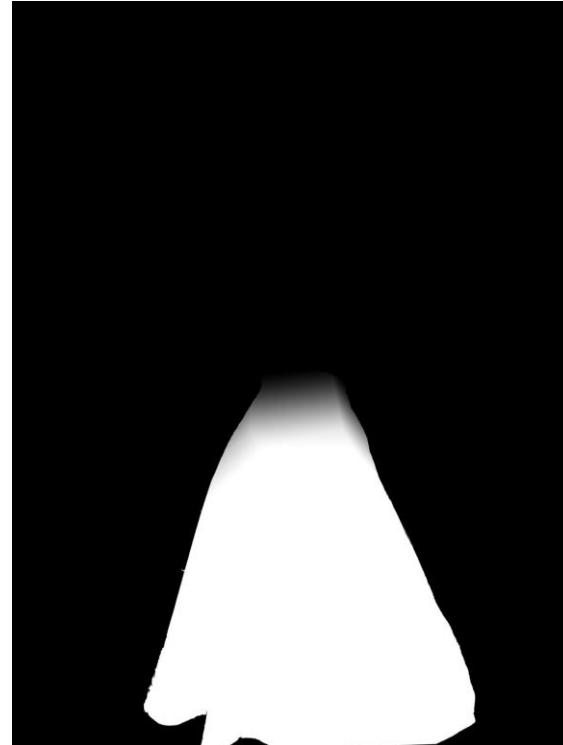








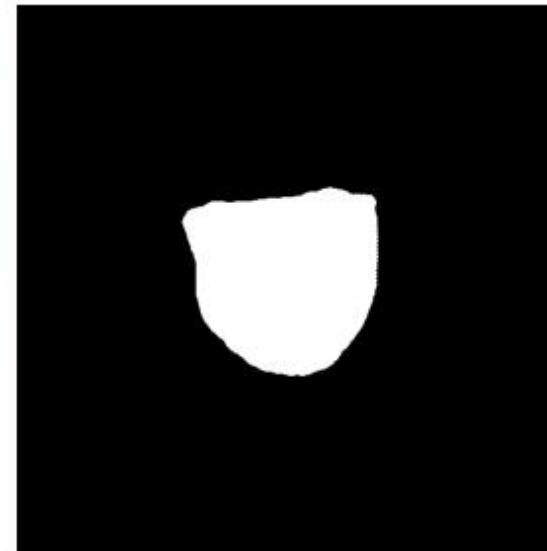




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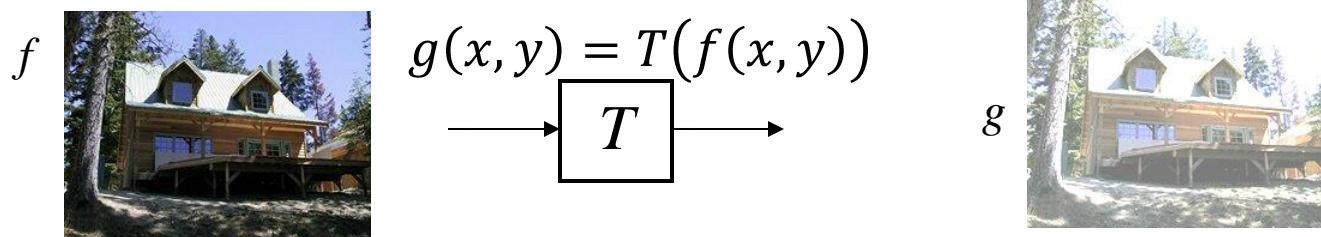
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Ex 3 - Blending

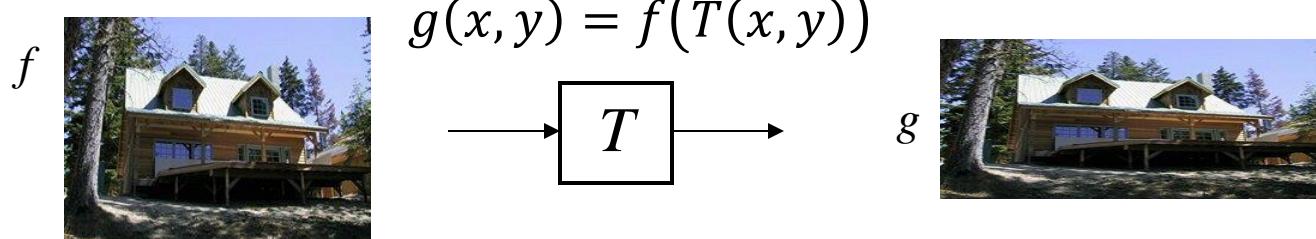
# 2D Transformations

# Image Warping

- image filtering: change the **intensities** of the image



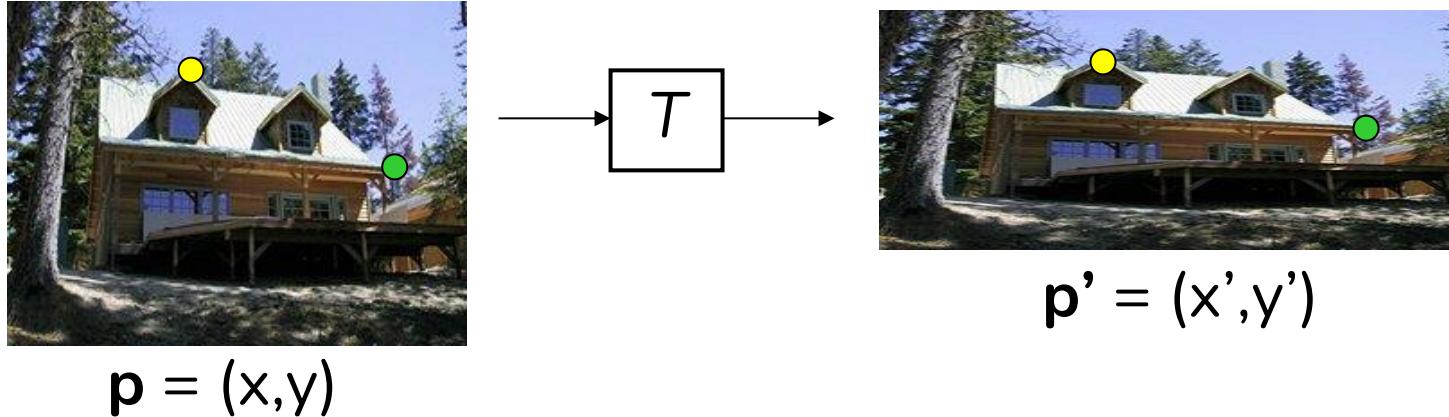
- image warping: change the **coordinates** of the image



# Image Warping



# Global Parametric Warping



- Transformation  $T$  is a **coordinate-changing** machine:  
$$p' = T(p)$$
- What does it mean that  $T$  is global?
  - Has the same form for any point  $p$
  - Determined by just a few numbers (parameters)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = T \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

# Global Parametric Warping

- Examples of parametric warps:



translation



scaling



rotation



mirror



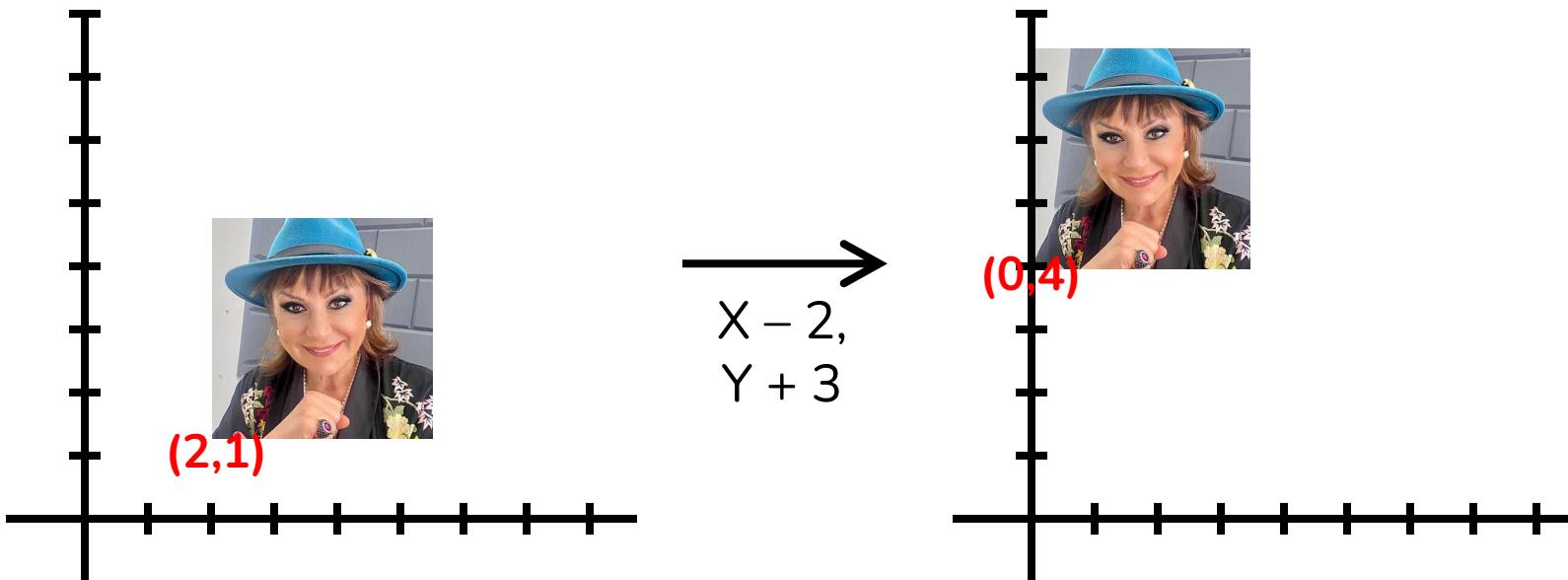
shear



perspective

# Translation

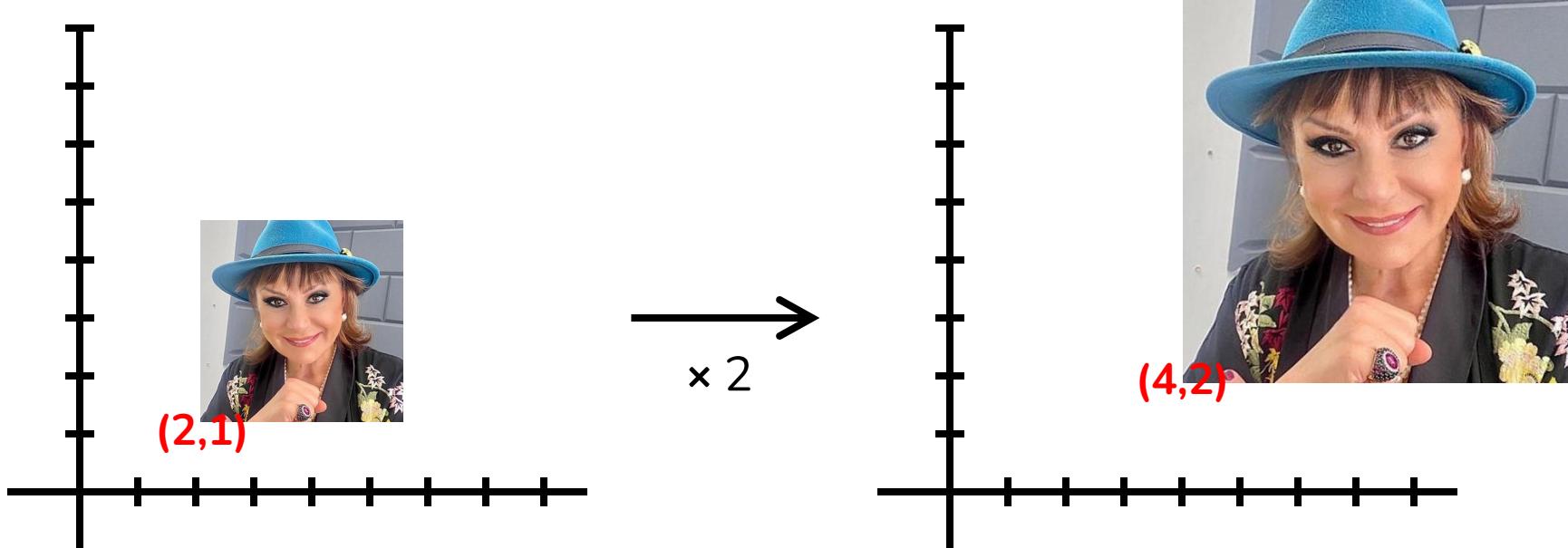
- *Translation* of a coordinate means adding a scalar to each of its components:



Q: How to represent in matrix form?

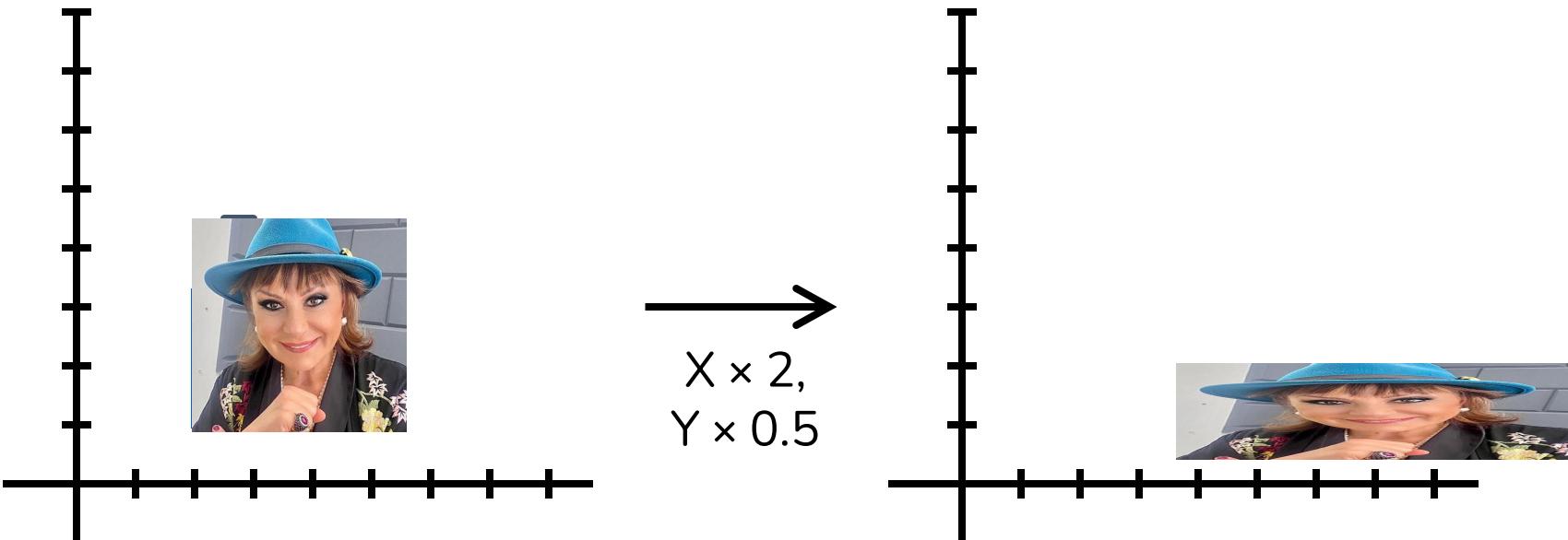
# Scaling

- *Scaling* a coordinate means multiplying each of its components by a scalar
- *Uniform scaling* means this scalar is the same for all components (dimensions):



# Scaling

- *Non-uniform scaling*: different scalars per component (dimension):



Q: How to represent in matrix form?

# Scaling

- The scaling operation:

$$x' = ax$$

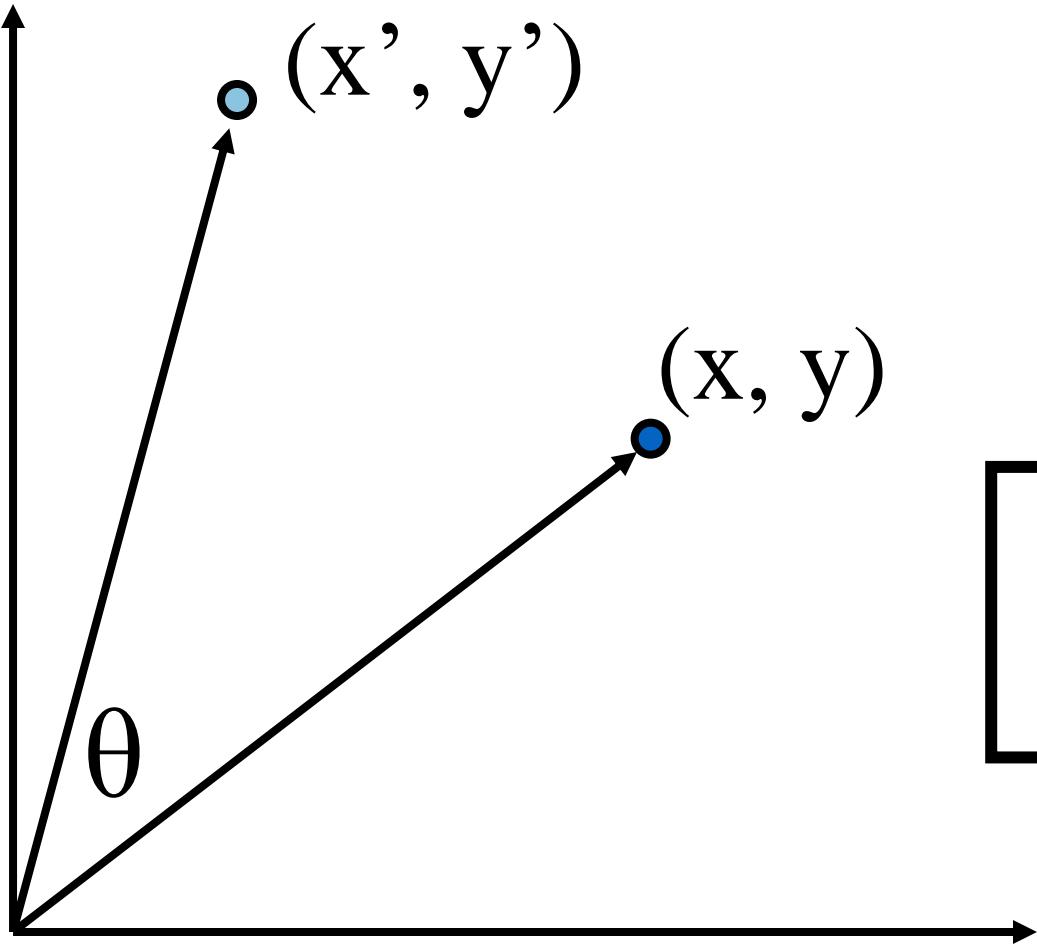
$$y' = by$$

- In matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{scaling matrix } S} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

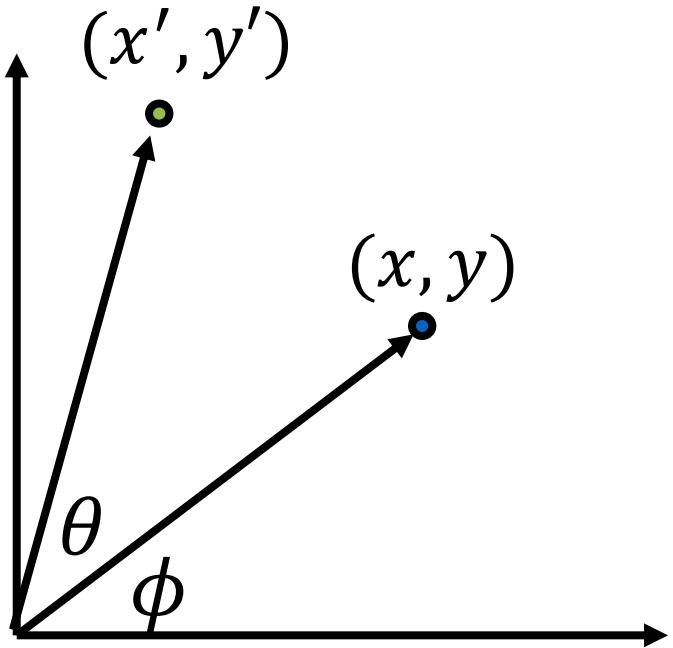
(What is the inverse of  $S$ ?)

# 2-D Rotation



$$x' = x\cos(\theta) - y\sin(\theta)$$
$$y' = x\sin(\theta) + y\cos(\theta)$$

# 2-D Rotation



$$x = r \cos(\phi)$$

$$y = r \sin(\phi)$$

$$x' = r \cos(\phi + \theta)$$

$$y' = r \sin(\phi + \theta)$$

Trig Identity...

$$x' = r \cos(\varphi) \cos(\theta) - r \sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta)$$

Substitute...

$$x' = x \cos(\theta) - y \sin(\theta)$$

Q: How to represent in matrix form?

# 2-D Rotation

- This is easy to capture in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}}_{R} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

- Even though  $\sin(\theta)$  and  $\cos(\theta)$  are nonlinear functions of  $\theta$ ,
  - $x'$  is a *linear combination of x and y*
  - $y'$  is a *linear combination of x and y*
- What is the inverse transformation?
  - Rotation by  $-\theta$
  - For rotation matrices,  $\det(R) = 1$  so  $R^{-1} = R^T$

# 2x2 Matrices

- Which types of transformations can be represented by 2x2 matrices?

2D Identity:

$$x' = x$$

$$y' = y$$

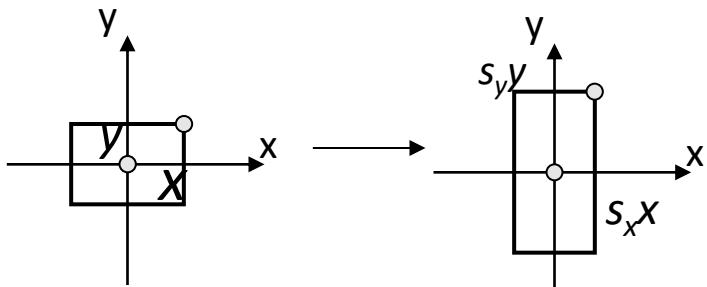
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

2D Scale around (0,0):

$$x' = s_x \cdot x$$

$$y' = s_y \cdot y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 \\ 0 & s_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$



# 2x2 Matrices

- Which types of transformations can be represented by 2x2 matrices?

2D Rotate around (0,0):

$$x' = \cos \Theta \cdot x - \sin \Theta \cdot y$$

$$y' = \sin \Theta \cdot x + \cos \Theta \cdot y$$

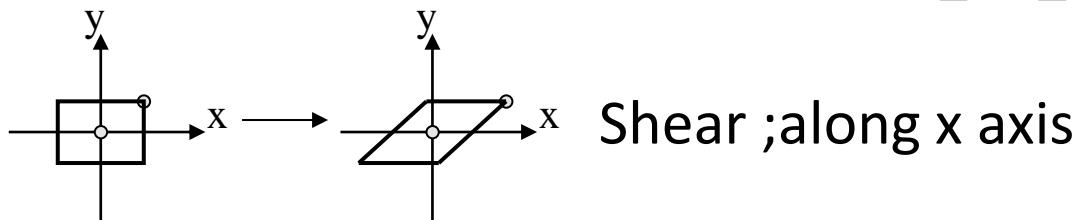
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \Theta & -\sin \Theta \\ \sin \Theta & \cos \Theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

2D Shear:

$$x' = x + sh_x \cdot y$$

$$y' = sh_y \cdot x + y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & sh_x \\ sh_y & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$



# 2x2 Matrices

- Which types of transformations can be represented by 2x2 matrices?

2D Mirror over the Y axis:

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= -x \\y' &= y\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

2D Mirror over (0,0):

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= -x \\y' &= -y\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

# 2x2 Matrices

- Which types of transformations can be represented by 2x2 matrices?

2D Translation?

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= x + t_x \\y' &= y + t_y\end{aligned}$$

NO!

2D translation is **NOT** a linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ !

$$T(0) \neq 0$$

# 2D Linear Transformations

- Linear transformations are combinations of scale, rotation and shear.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

- Properties of linear transformations:

- Origin maps to origin
- Lines map to lines
- Parallel lines remain parallel
- Ratios are preserved along lines
- Closed under composition:
- Easy to find inverse when nonsingular

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

# Homogeneous Coordinates

- Q: How can we represent translation as a 3x3 matrix?

$$x' = x + t_x$$

$$y' = y + t_y$$

- A: Add a 3rd coordinate to every 2D point

# Homogeneous Coordinates

represent coordinates in 2 dimensions with a 3-vector

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

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

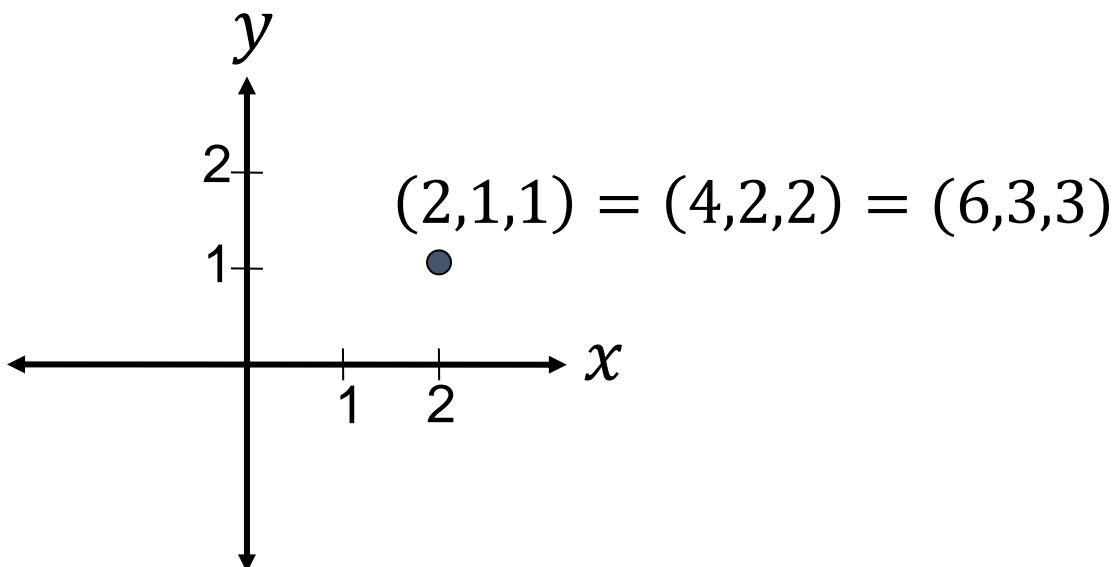
Scalar multiplication does not change the point:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cong \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 2y \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cong \begin{pmatrix} 3.5x \\ 3.5y \\ 3.5 \end{pmatrix} \cong \begin{pmatrix} \lambda x \\ \lambda y \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

are all equivalent to  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

# Homogeneous Coordinates

- Add a 3rd coordinate to every 2D point
  - $(x, y, w)$  represents a point at location  $(x/w, y/w)$
  - $(x, y, 0)$  represents a point at  $\infty$
  - $(0, 0, 0)$  is not allowed



Convenient coordinate system to  
represent many useful transformations

# Homogeneous Coordinates

- Q: How can we represent translation as a 3x3 matrix?

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}_x$$

$$y' = y + t_y$$

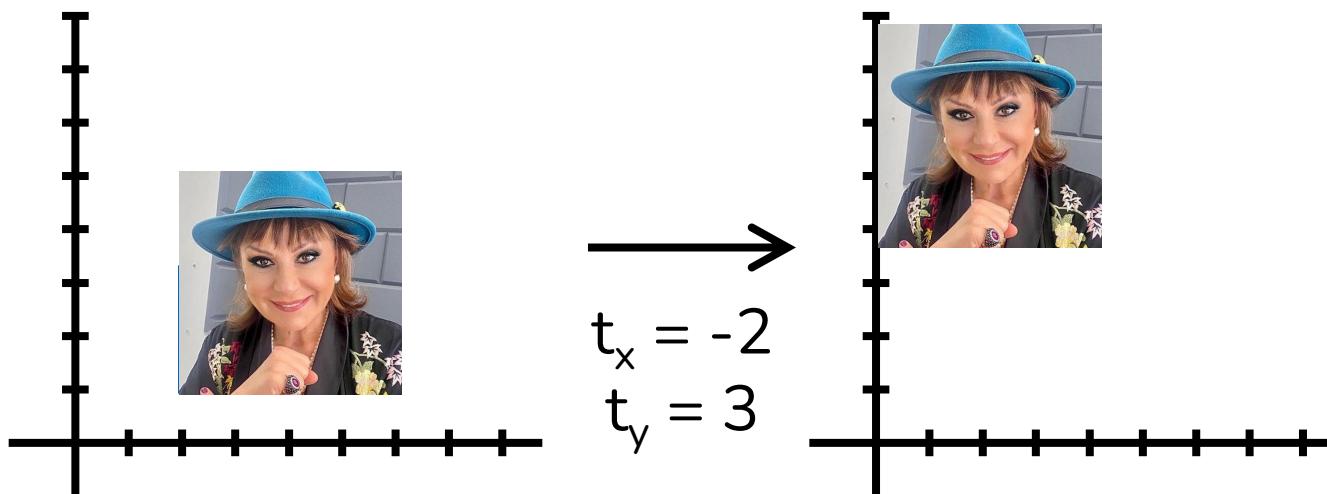
- A: Using the rightmost column

$$\text{Translation} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Translation: Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + t_x \\ y + t_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Homogeneous Coordinates



# Basic 2D Transformations

- Basic 2D transformations as 3x3 matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Translate**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Scale**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\Theta & -\sin\Theta & 0 \\ \sin\Theta & \cos\Theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Rotate**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & sh_x & 0 \\ sh_y & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Shear**

# Matrix Composition

- Transformations can be combined by matrix multiplication:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & tx \\ 0 & 1 & ty \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \Theta & -\sin \Theta & 0 \\ \sin \Theta & \cos \Theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} sx & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & sy & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{p}' = T(t_x, t_y) R(Q) S(s_x, s_y) \mathbf{p}$

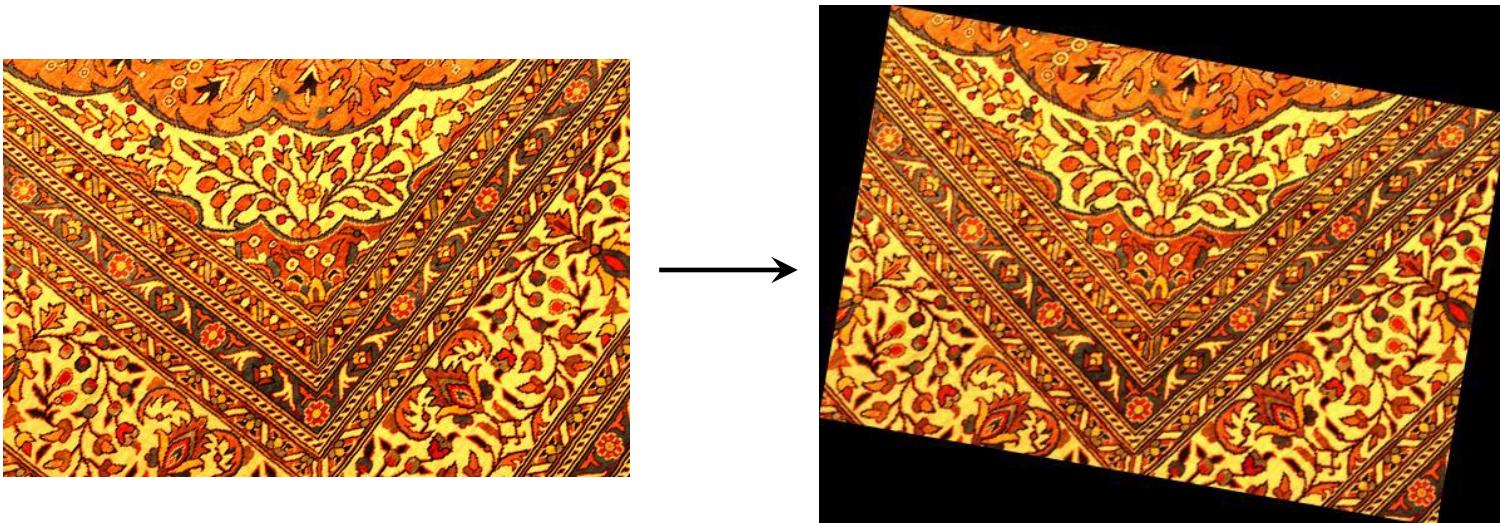
- Advantages:
  - General purpose representation
  - Hardware implementation
- Be aware: the order is important!
  - Matrix multiplication is not commutative

$$\mathbf{p}' = TRS\mathbf{p}$$

# Rigid Transformations

Combination of translation and rotation

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & t_x \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$

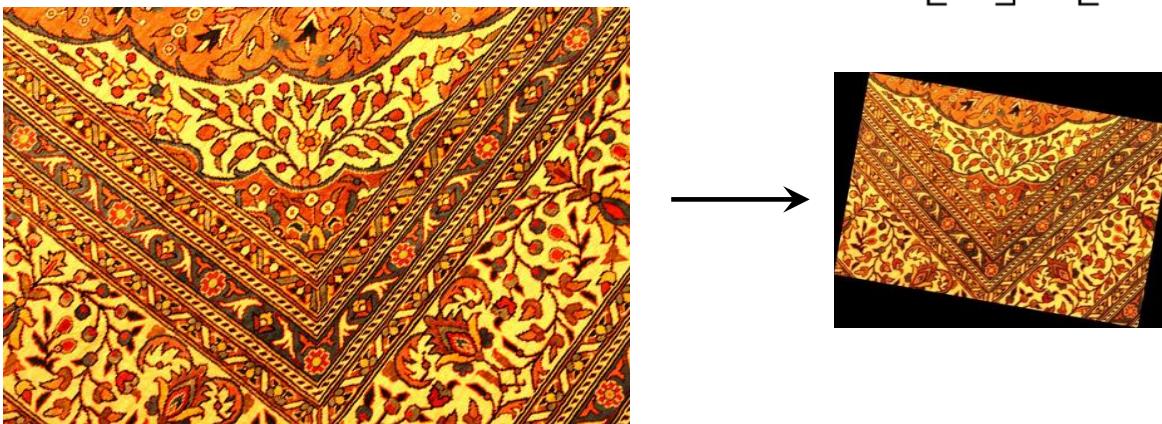


- # Parameters: 3 ( $t_x, t_y, \theta$ )
- Preserves all information except of orientation (lengths, angles etc.)

# Similarity Transformations

Combination of translation, rotation and uniform scaling

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s \cdot \cos(\theta) & -s \cdot \sin(\theta) & t_x \\ s \cdot \sin(\theta) & s \cdot \cos(\theta) & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$

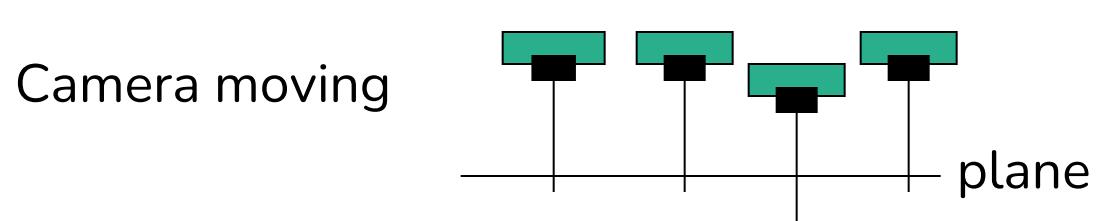


- # Parameters: 4 ( $s, t_x, t_y, \theta$ )
- Preserves proportions (ratio of two lengths) and angles, but not lengths and orientation

# Similarity Transformations

When do we meet them?

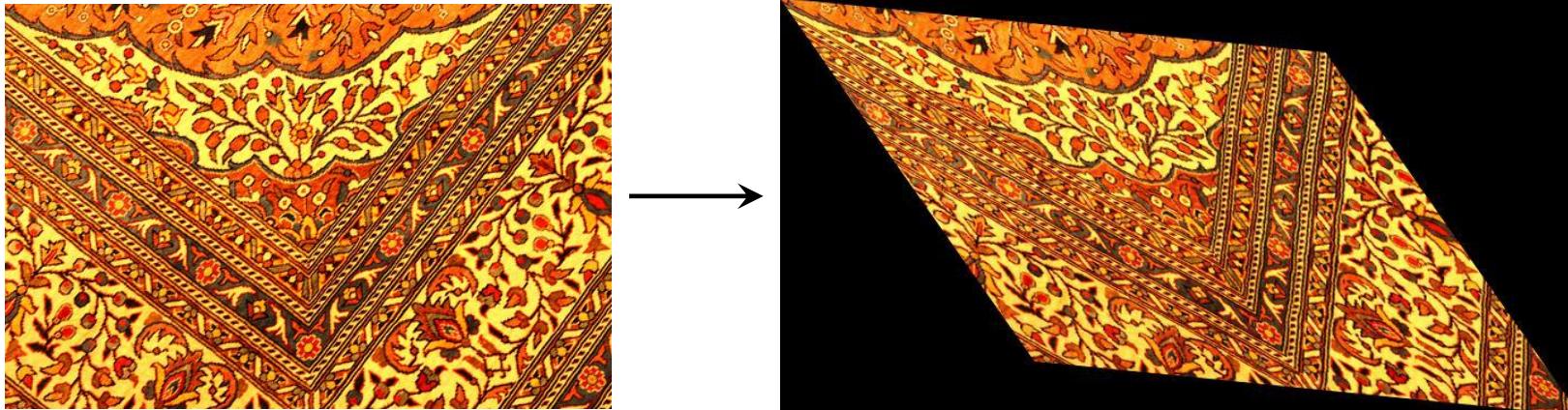
- When the camera is scanning a plane in parallel



# Affine Transformations

Combination of translation with all 2D linear transformations (rotation, scaling and shear)

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



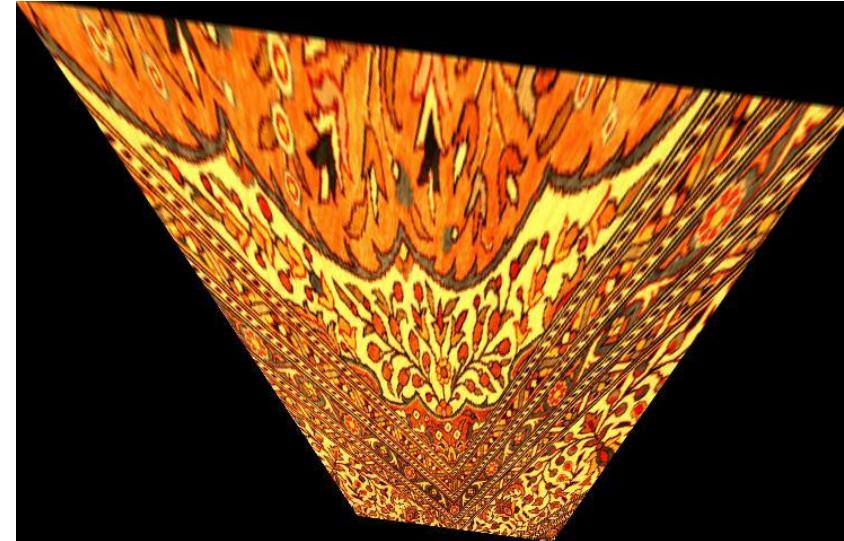
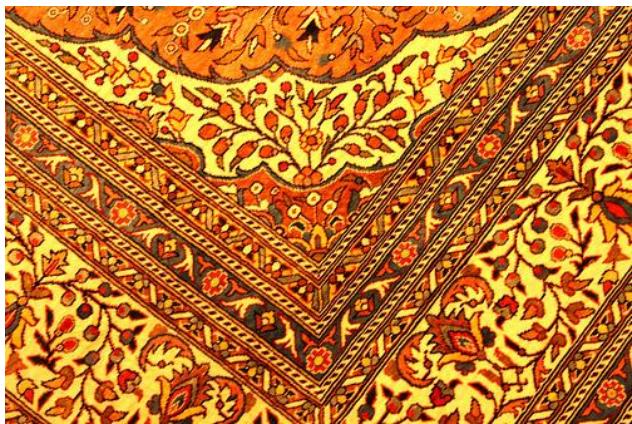
- # Parameters: 6
- Preserves parallelism, ratio of areas.

# Projective Transformations

Affine transformations + projective warps

Maps points from a 2D plane to another 2D plane

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



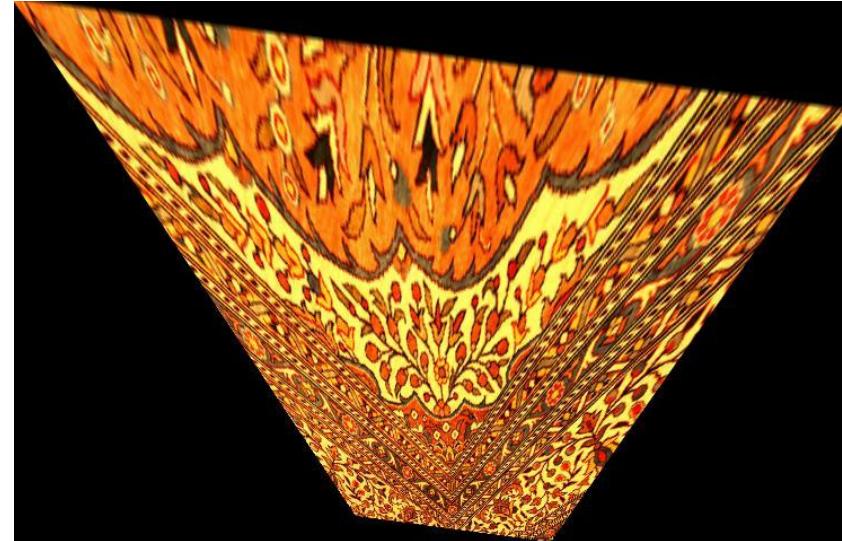
- # Parameters: 8 (the 9th is redundant, since we use homogenous coordinates)

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- # Parameters: 8 (the 9th is redundant, since we use homogenous coordinates)
- **Preserves only straight lines** (not parallelism, angles etc.)

# Projective Transformations

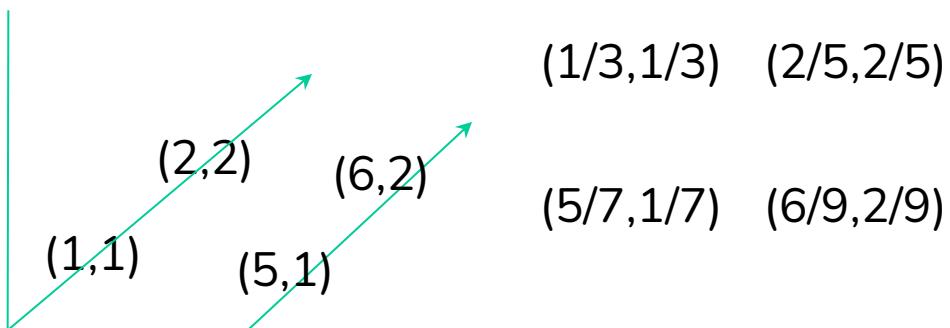
Affine transformations + projective warps

Maps points from a 2D plane to another  
2D plane

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

$$\frac{x'}{w} = \frac{a \cdot x + b \cdot y + c}{x \cdot g + y \cdot h + 1}$$

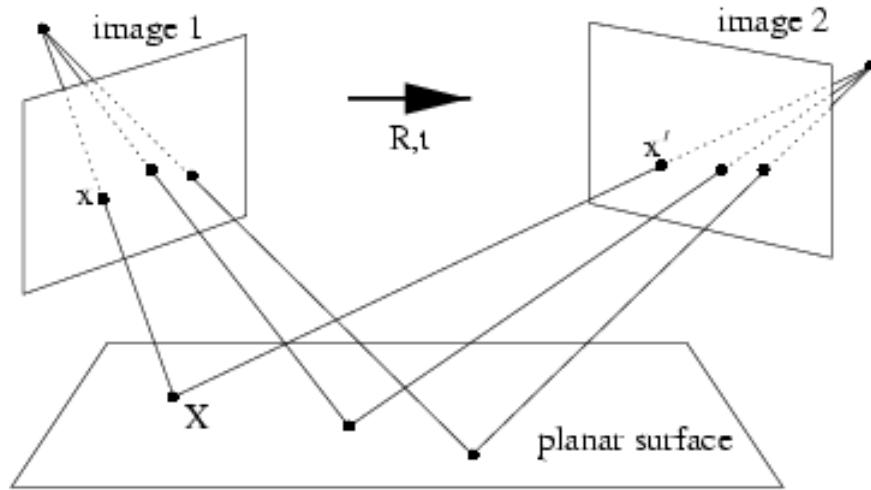
$$\frac{y'}{w} = \frac{d \cdot x + e \cdot y + f}{x \cdot g + y \cdot h + 1}$$



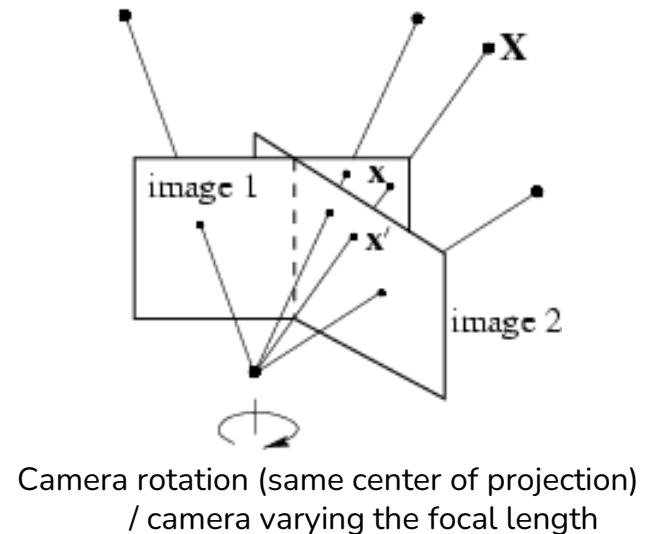
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Projective Transformations

Examples of projective  
Transformations :



Transformation between 2 images induced by a world plane



Camera rotation (same center of projection)  
/ camera varying the focal length

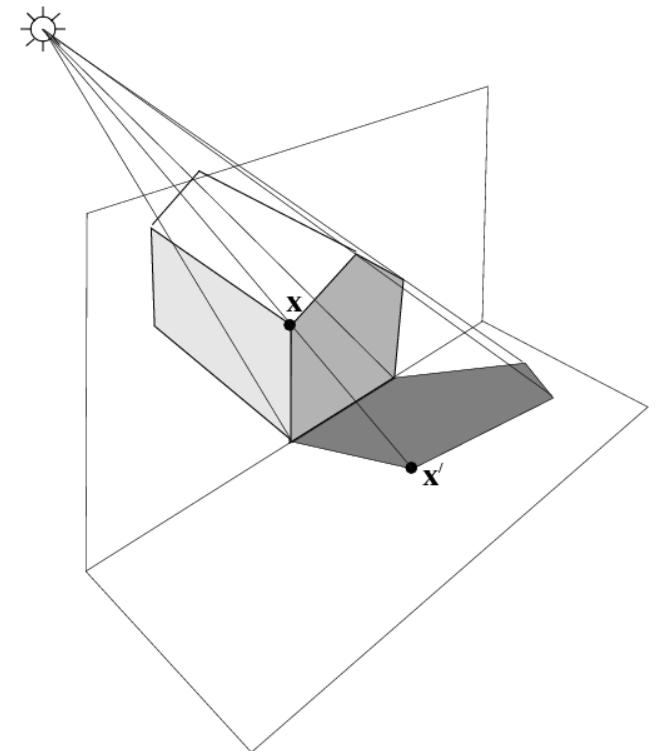


Image of a plane and its shadow on another plane

# Removing Perspective Distortion

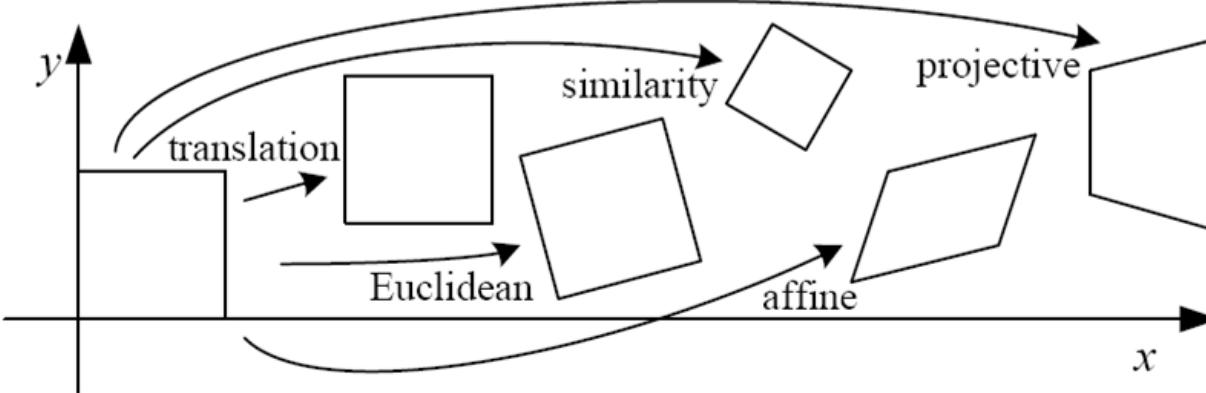


Original image



Warped image

# 2D Image Transformations



Name	Matrix	# D.O.F.	Preserves:	Icon
translation	$[ \mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{t} ]_{2 \times 3}$	2	orientation + ...	□
rigid (Euclidean)	$[ \mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t} ]_{2 \times 3}$	3	lengths + ...	◇
similarity	$[ s\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t} ]_{2 \times 3}$	4	angles + ...	◇
affine	$[ \mathbf{A} ]_{2 \times 3}$	6	parallelism + ...	□
projective	$[ \tilde{\mathbf{H}} ]_{3 \times 3}$	8	straight lines	□

- These transformations are a nested set of groups
- Each of them is closed under composition and is invertible

# Computing 2D Transformations

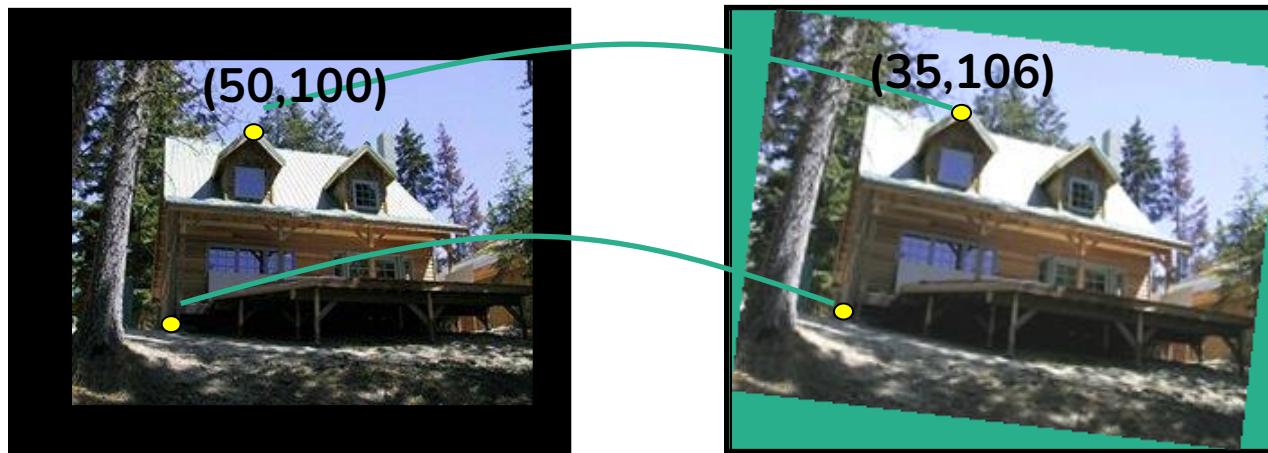
Corresponding sets of points enable computing the transformation matrix



- Each corresponding pair contributes 2 equations
- How many points are required for each different transformation (translation, rigid, similarity, affine, projective)?

# Computing 2D Transformations

Example: rigid transformation



$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & t_x \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 106 \\ 35 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 100 \\ 50 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

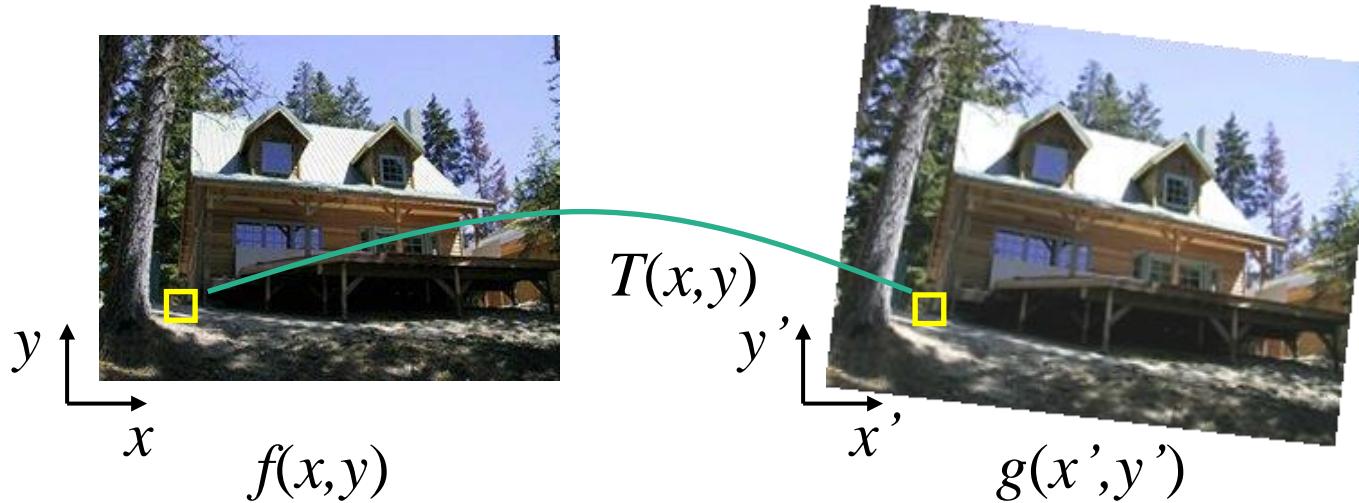
→ Extract  $\theta$

2D Transformations

# Warping

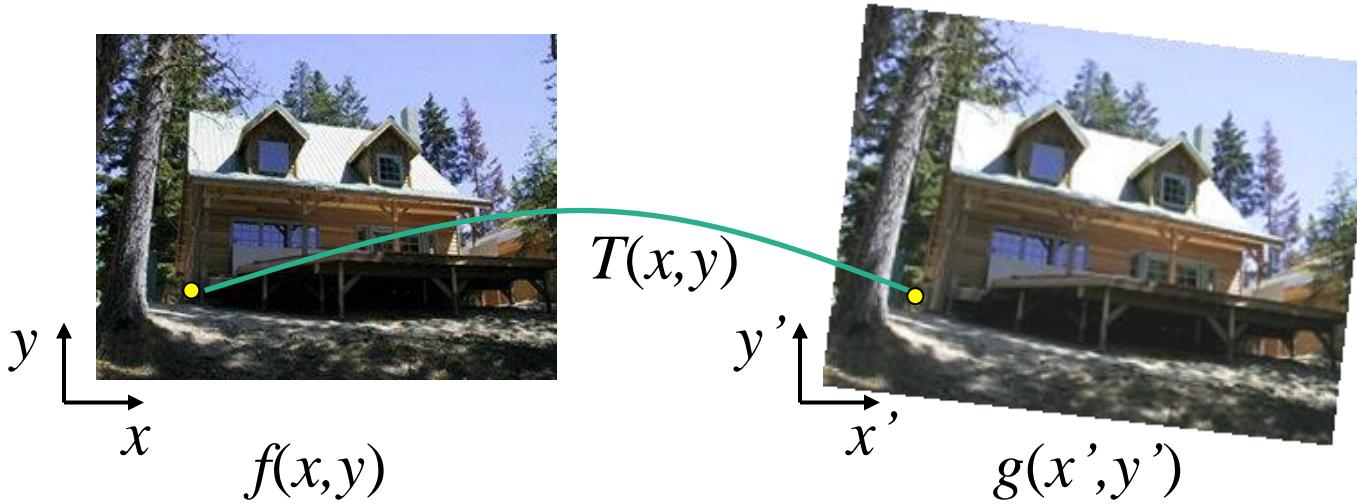
Feature Points

# Image warping



Given a coordinate transform  $(x',y') = T(x,y)$  and a source image  $f(x,y)$ , how do we compute a transformed image  $g(x',y') = f(x,y)$ ?

# Forward warping

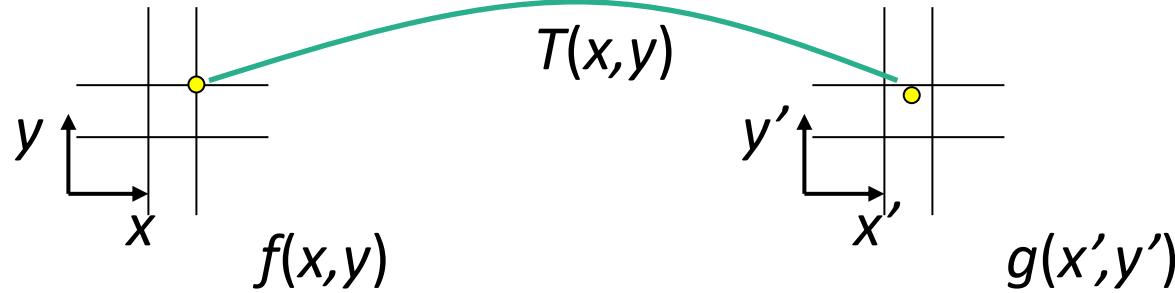


Send each pixel  $(x,y)$  to its corresponding location

$$(x',y') = T(x,y) \text{ in the second image}$$

Q: What is pixel lands “between” two pixels?

# Forward warping



Send each pixel  $(x,y)$  to its corresponding location  
 $(x',y') = T(x,y)$  in the second image

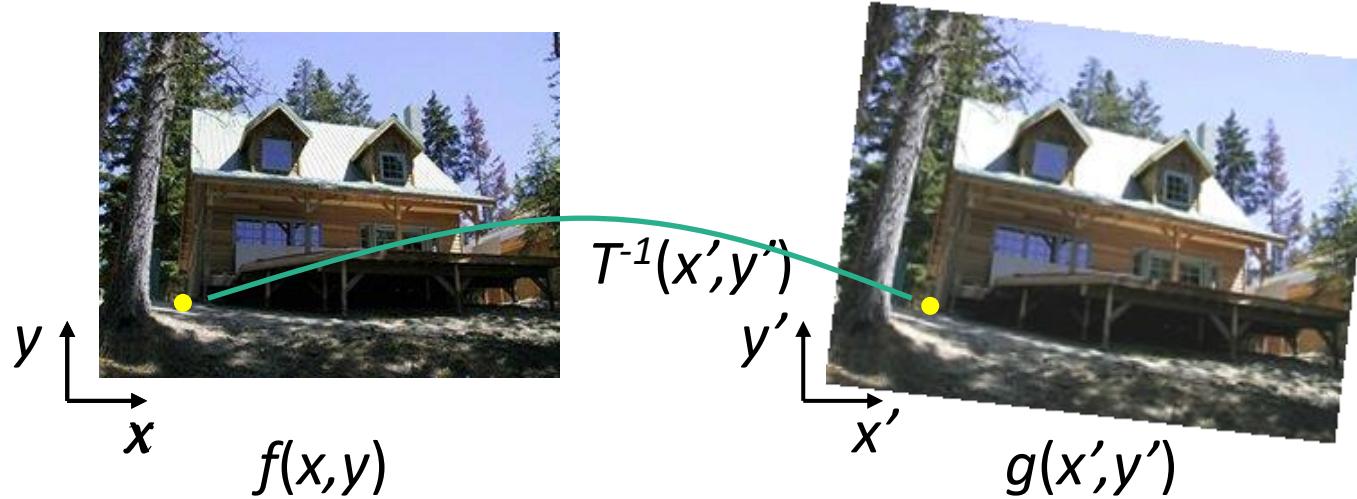
**Q:** What is pixel lands “between” two pixels?

**A:** distribute its color among the neighboring pixels of  $(x',y')$   
- known as “splatting”

**Q:** What happens when we scale an image by a factor of 2?

**A:** holes every second pixel

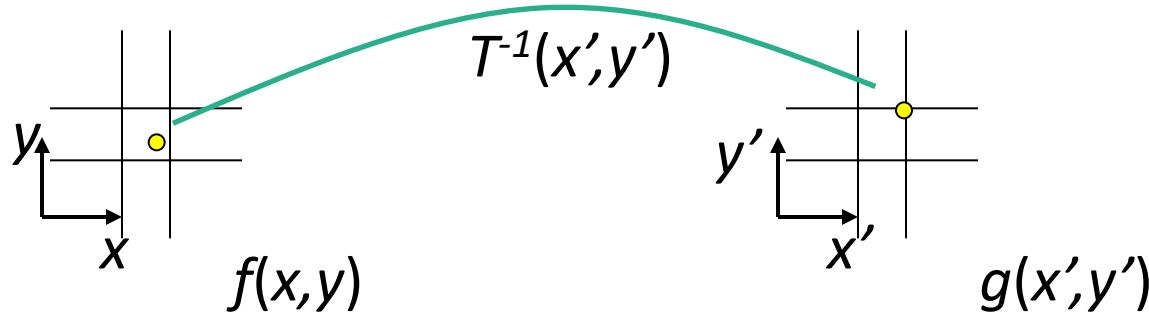
# Backward (inverse) warping



Get each pixel  $(x',y')$  from its corresponding location  
 $(x,y) = T^{-1}(x',y')$  in the first image

Q: what if pixel comes from “between” two pixels?

# Inverse warping



Get each pixel  $g(x',y')$  from its corresponding location  
 $(x,y) = T^{-1}(x',y')$  in the first image

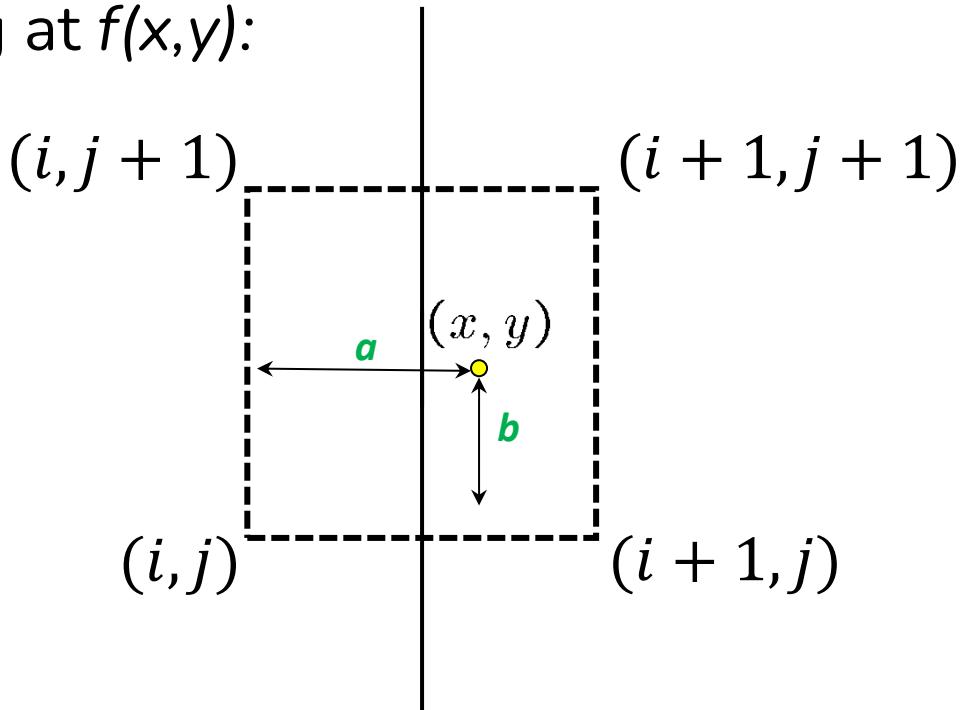
**Q:** what if pixel comes from “between” two pixels?

**A:** **Interpolate** the color value from its neighbors

- nearest neighbor, bilinear, bicubic, Gaussian

# Bilinear interpolation

Sampling at  $f(x, y)$ :



$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) = & (1 - a)(1 - b) f[i, j] \\ & + a(1 - b) f[i + 1, j] \\ & + ab f[i + 1, j + 1] \\ & + (1 - a)b f[i, j + 1] \end{aligned}$$

# Forward vs. inverse warping

**Q:** which is better?

**A:** usually inverse – eliminates holes

- however, it requires an invertible warp function, which isn't always available.

# Warping using Python

- How do we avoid loops ?
  - Use `np.meshgrid()` to represent image indices
- Transform coordinates using homography
- Use `map_coordinates()` from `scipy.ndimage` to perform the interpolation

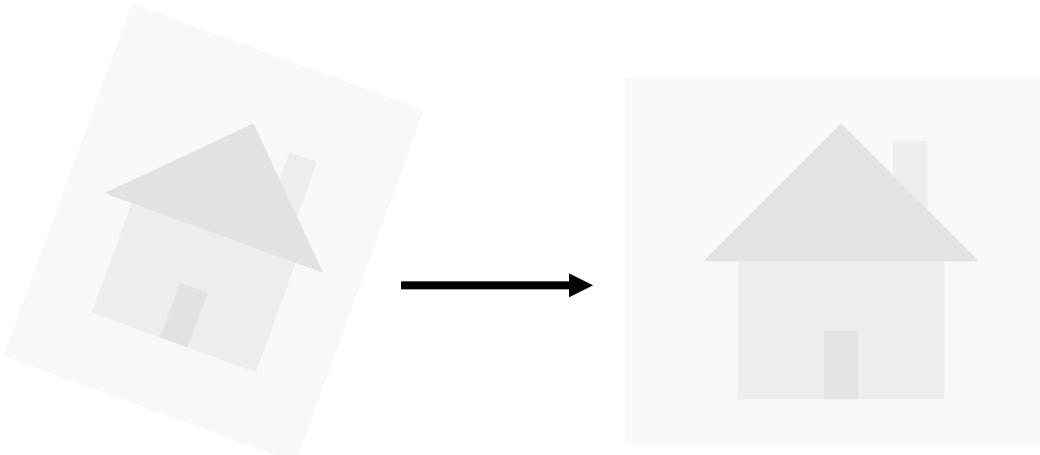
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# Feature Points

# Outline

- Motivation for using image features
  - Feature based alignment
- Desired Properties of features
- Feature Detectors
  - Harris corner detector
  - Scale invariant Harris detector
- Feature Descriptors
  - MOPS: Multi-scale oriented patches
  - SIFT: orientation histograms (relative to key-point orientations)

# Motivation: Image Alignment



How do we align two images automatically?

Two broad approaches:

- **Direct (pixel-based) alignment**
  - Search for alignment where most pixels agree
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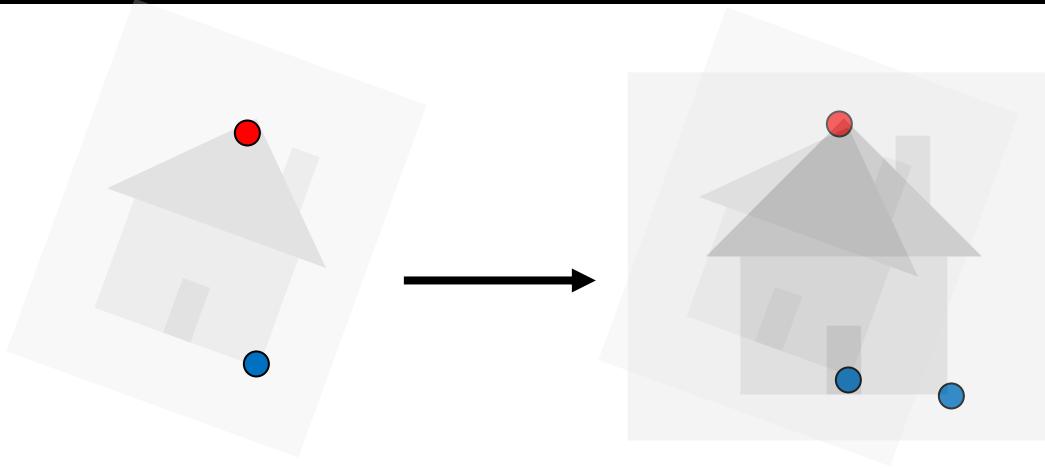
# Direct Methods Limitations

Less suitable for partially overlapping images:  
**photo based panorama**

- Limited range of convergence



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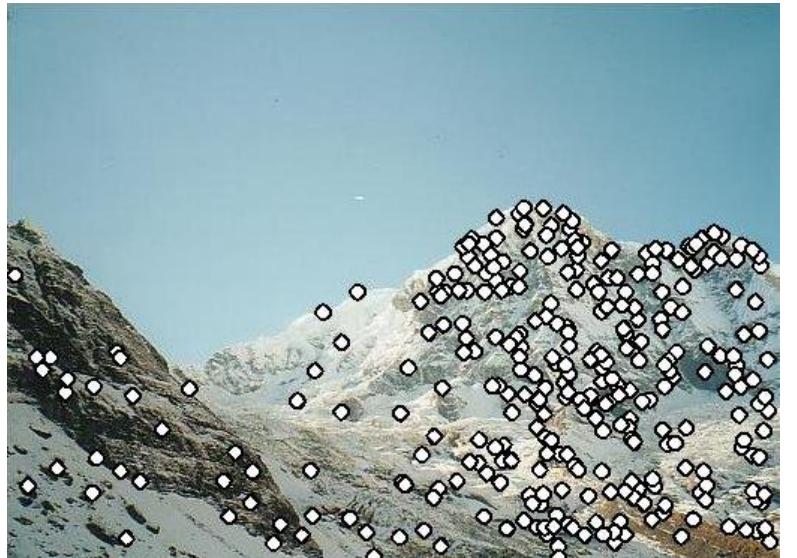
- **Direct (pixel-based) alignment**
  - Search for alignment where most pixels agree
  - (Cross correlation, LK)
- **Feature-based alignment**
  - Find a few matching features in both images
  - compute alignment

# Example For Feature Based Alignment



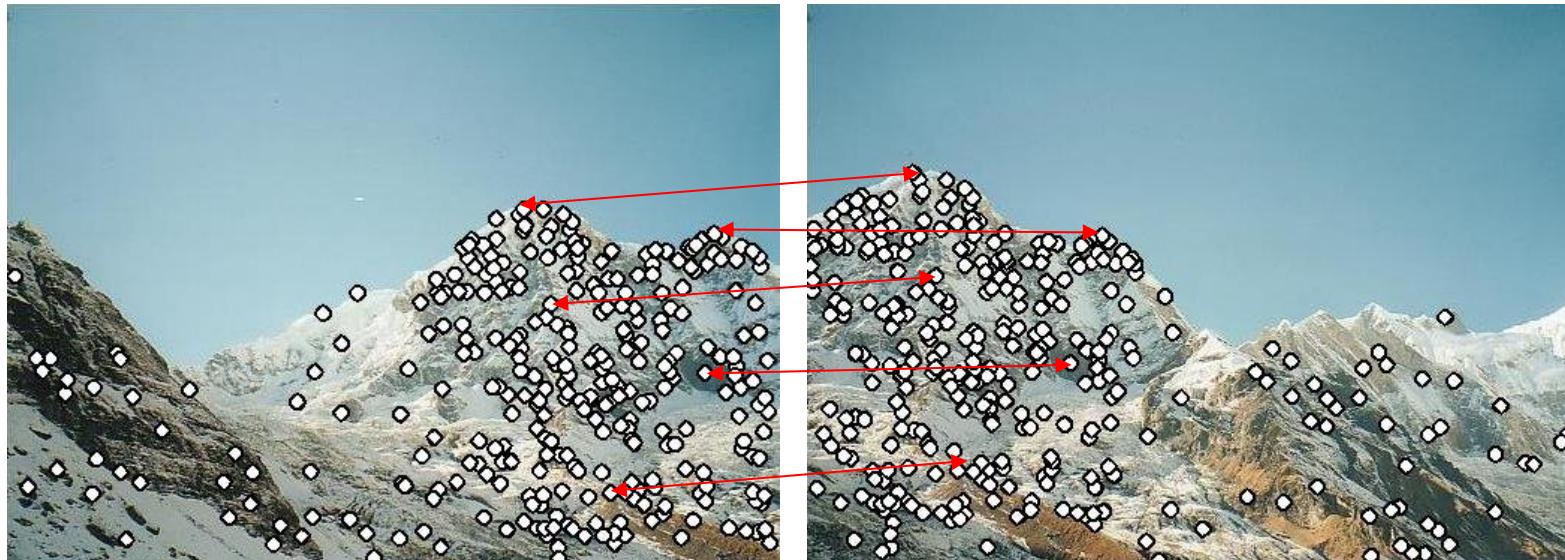
# Matching with Features

1. Detect feature points in both images
2. Build a **descriptor** from each point



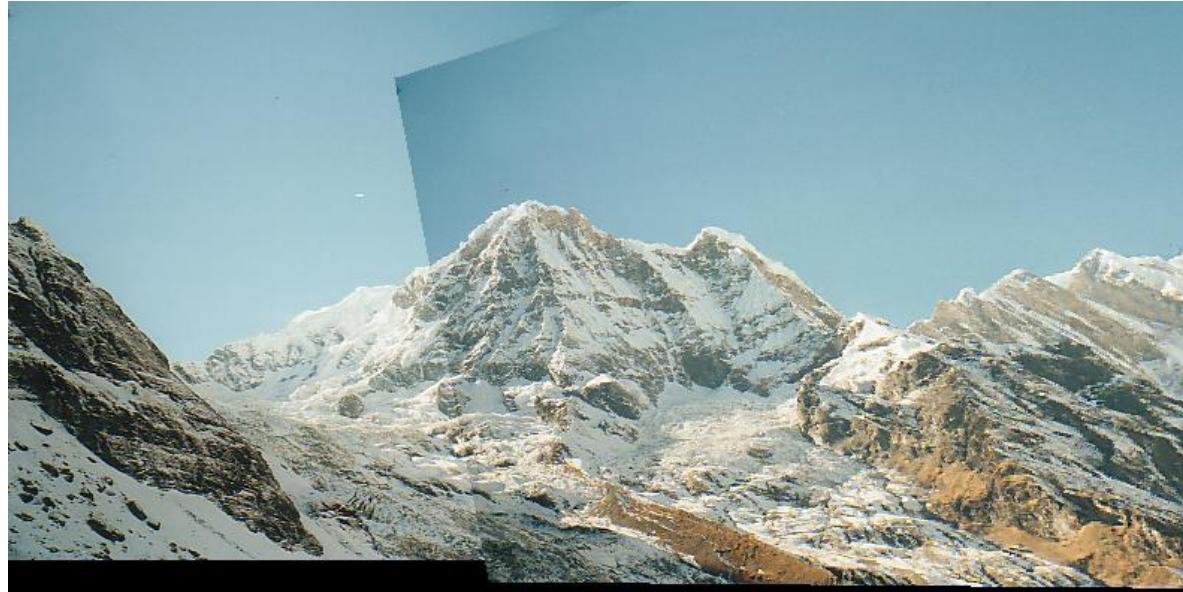
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# Matching with Features

Problem 1: Detect the same points *independently* in both images

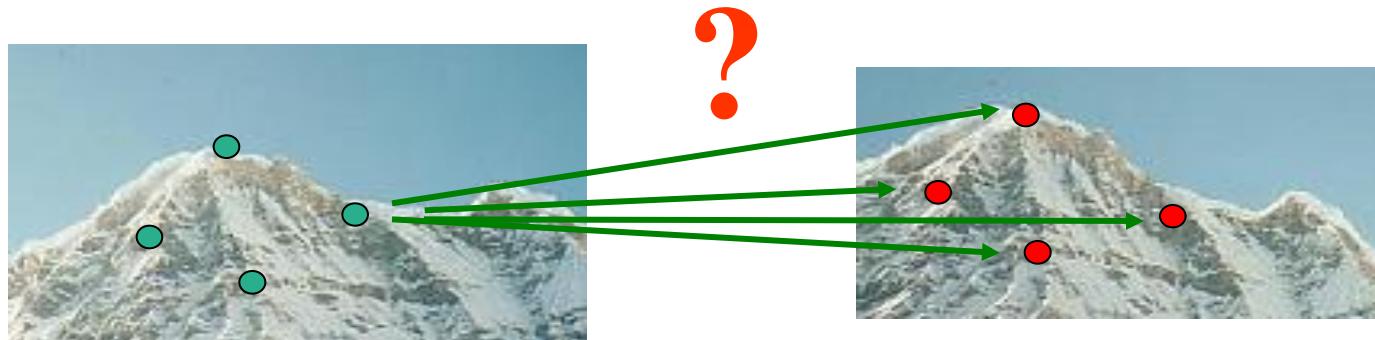


no chance to match!

We need a repeatable detector

# Matching with Features

Problem 2: For each point correctly recognize the corresponding one



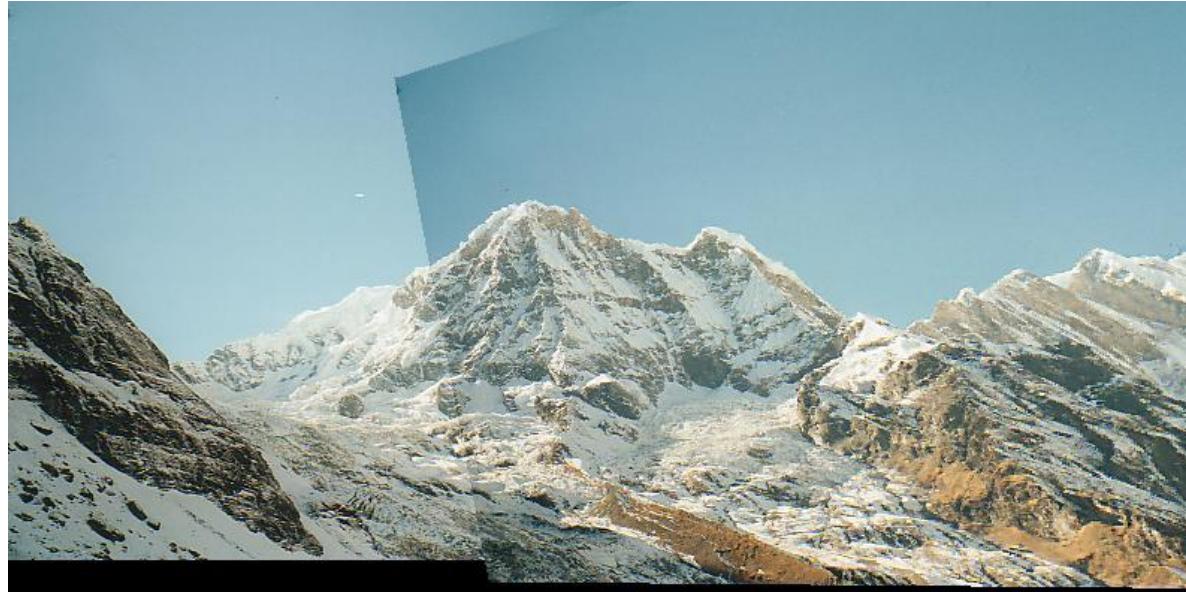
We need a reliable and distinctive descriptor

# Matching with Features: Desired Properties

- Easy to extract
- Invariance: tolerate image changes in
  - Image noise
  - Illumination
  - Scaling
  - Translation, Rotation
  - Viewing direction
- Easy to match against large database of object features

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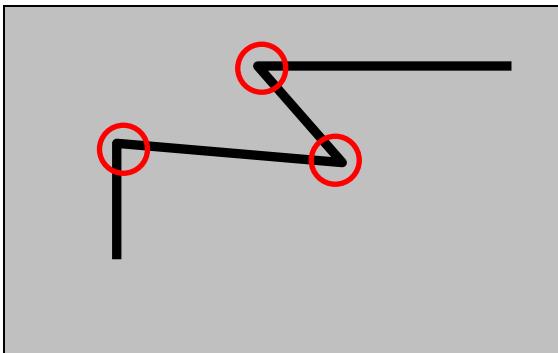


# Harris corner detector



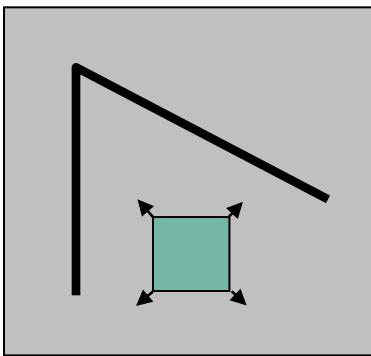
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- C.Harris, M.Stephens. “A Combined Corner and Edge Detector”. 1988

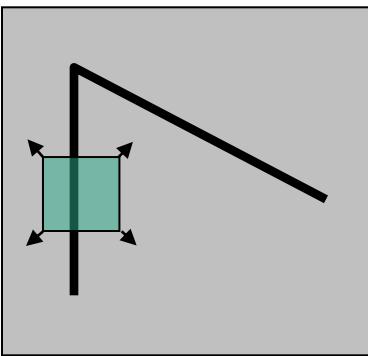


# Harris Detector: Basic Idea

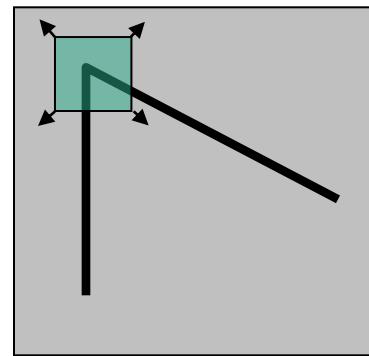
We should easily recognize the point by looking through a small window and shifting it:



“flat” region:  
no change in  
all directions



“edge”:  
no change along  
the edge direction

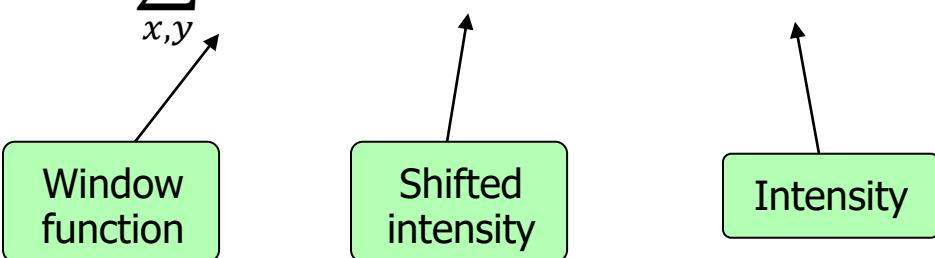


“corner”:  
significant  
change in all  
directions

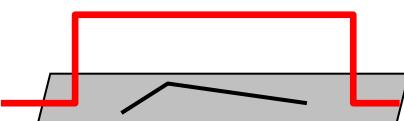
# Harris Detector: Mathematics

Change of intensity for the shift  $[u,v]$ :

$$E(u, v) = \sum_{x,y} w(x, y) \cdot [I(x + u, y + v) - I(x, y)]^2$$



Window function  $w(x, y) =$



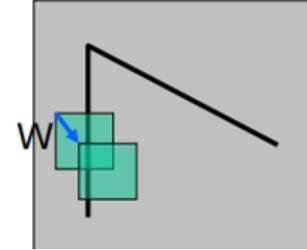
1 in window, 0 outside



Gaussian

# Harris Detector: Mathematics

$$E(u, v) = \sum_{x,y} w(x, y) \cdot [I(x + u, y + v) - I(x, y)]^2$$



Local Taylor approximation:  $f(x + h) \approx f(x) + f'(x) \cdot h$

$$I(x + u, y + v) \approx I(x, y) + I_x \cdot u + I_y \cdot v$$

$$[I(x + u, y + v) - I(x, y)] \approx I(x, y) + I_x \cdot u + I_y \cdot v - I(x, y) = I_x \cdot u + I_y \cdot v$$

$$[I(x + u, y + v) - I(x, y)]^2 \approx [(u \ v) \begin{pmatrix} I_x \\ I_y \end{pmatrix}]^2$$

$$E(u, v) = \sum_{x,y} w(x, y) \cdot \left[ (u, v) \begin{pmatrix} I_x \\ I_y \end{pmatrix} \right]^2$$

# Harris Detector: Mathematics

For small shifts  $[u,v]$  we have an approximation:

$$E(u, v) \approx \sum_{(x,y) \in W} (u \ v) \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2 & I_x I_y \\ I_y I_x & I_y^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

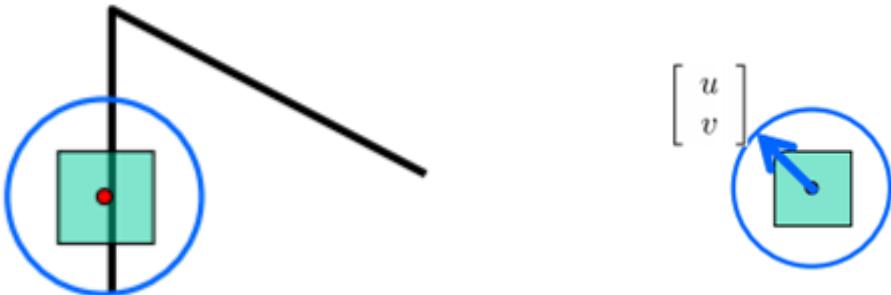
$$M = \sum_{(x,y) \in W} \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2 & I_x I_y \\ I_y I_x & I_y^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{(x,y) \in W} I_x^2 & \sum_{(x,y) \in W} I_x I_y \\ \sum_{(x,y) \in W} I_y I_x & \sum_{(x,y) \in W} I_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E(u, v) \approx (u \ v) M \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

We use the simple rectangular window for simplicity, for other windows we get:

$$M = \sum_{x,y} w(x, y) \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2 & I_x I_y \\ I_x I_y & I_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Harris Detector: Mathematics



- Which directions will result in the largest and smallest E values?
- We can find these directions by looking at the eigenvectors of M

# Harris Detector: Mathematics

Intensity change in shifting window: eigenvalue analysis of  $M$

$$E(u, v) \cong [u, v] M \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  – eigenvalues of  $M$

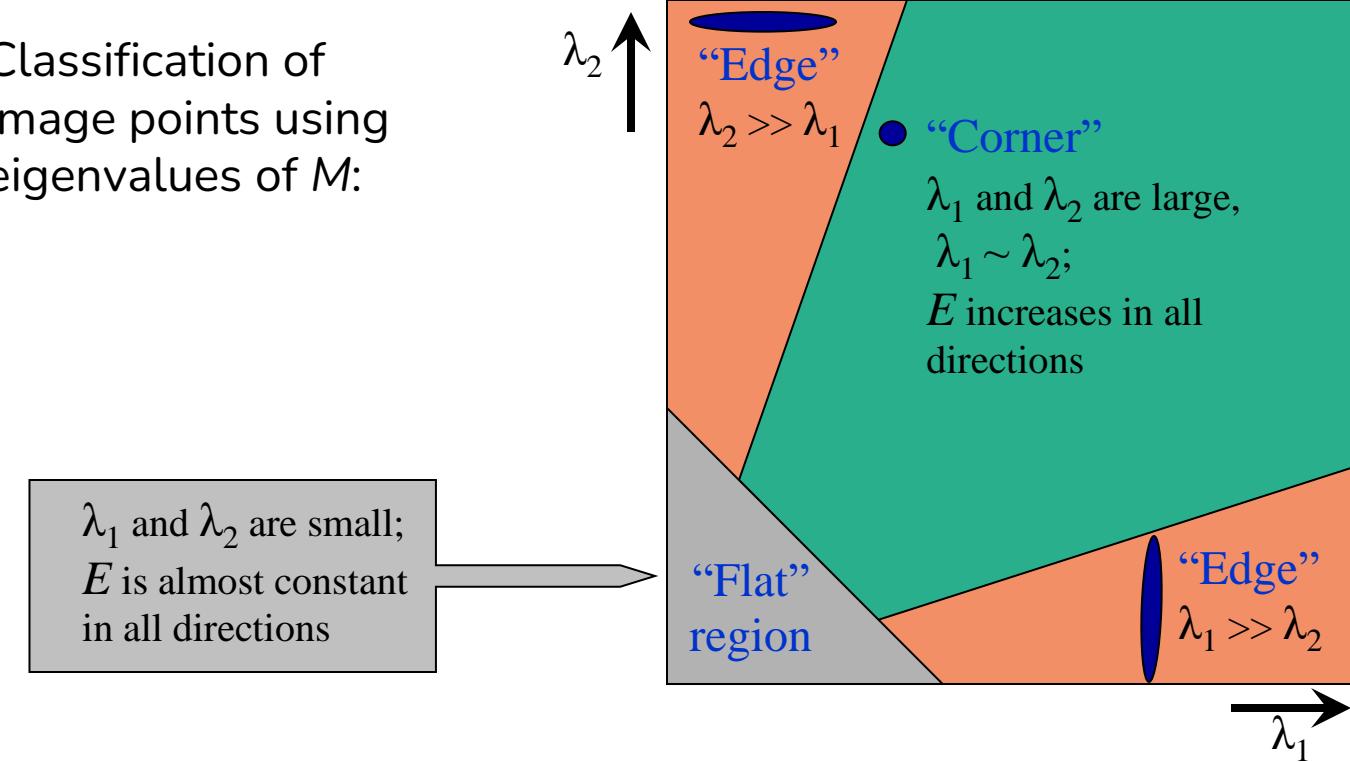
$(u_1, v_1), (u_2, v_2)$  – the corresponding eigenvectors

The major axes is in the direction of  $(u_1, v_1)$   
(proportional to  $\lambda_1$ )

The minor axes is in the direction of  $(u_2, v_2)$   
(proportional to  $\lambda_2$ )

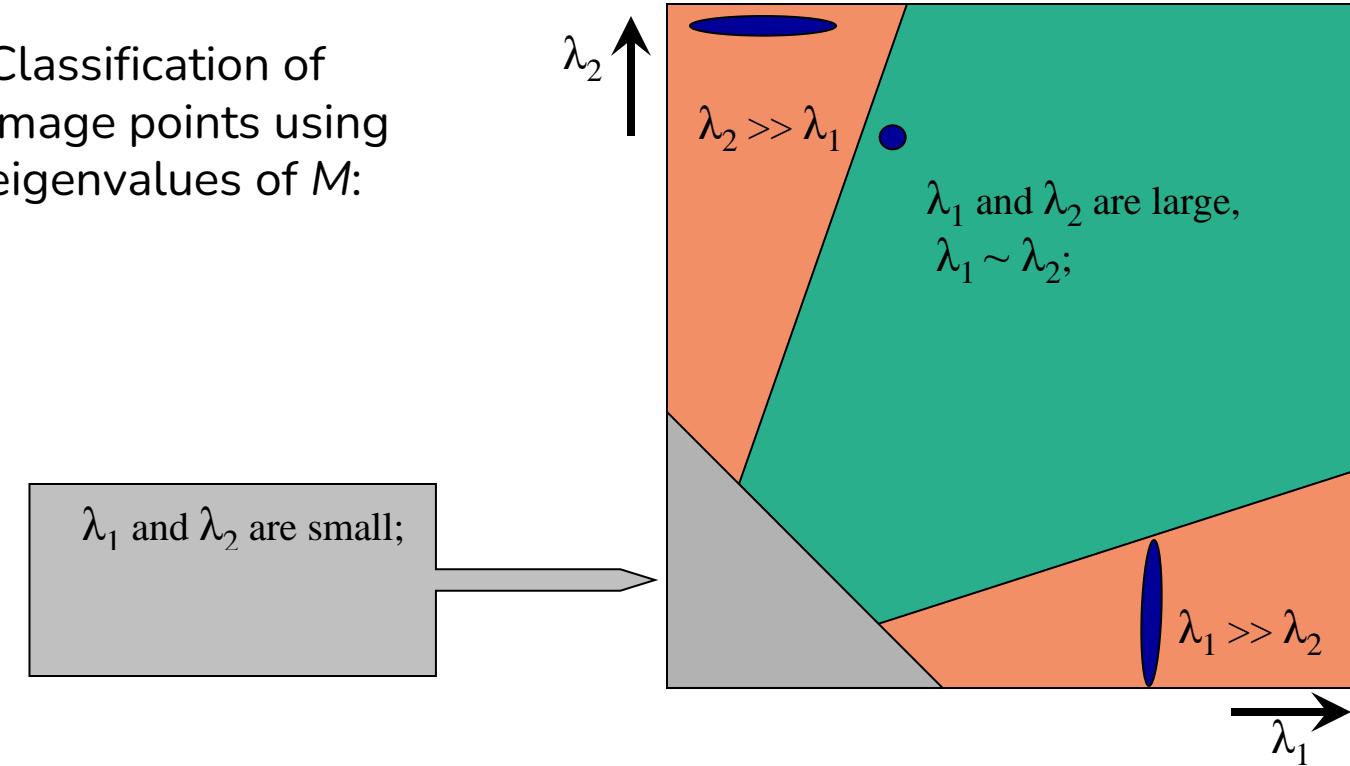
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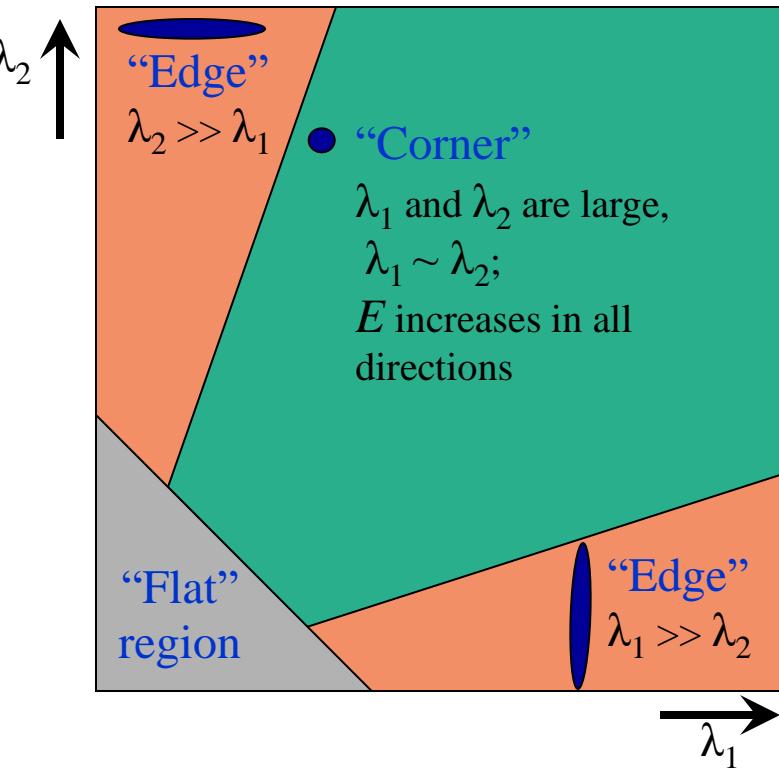


# Harris Detector: Mathematics

Commonly used measures of corner response:

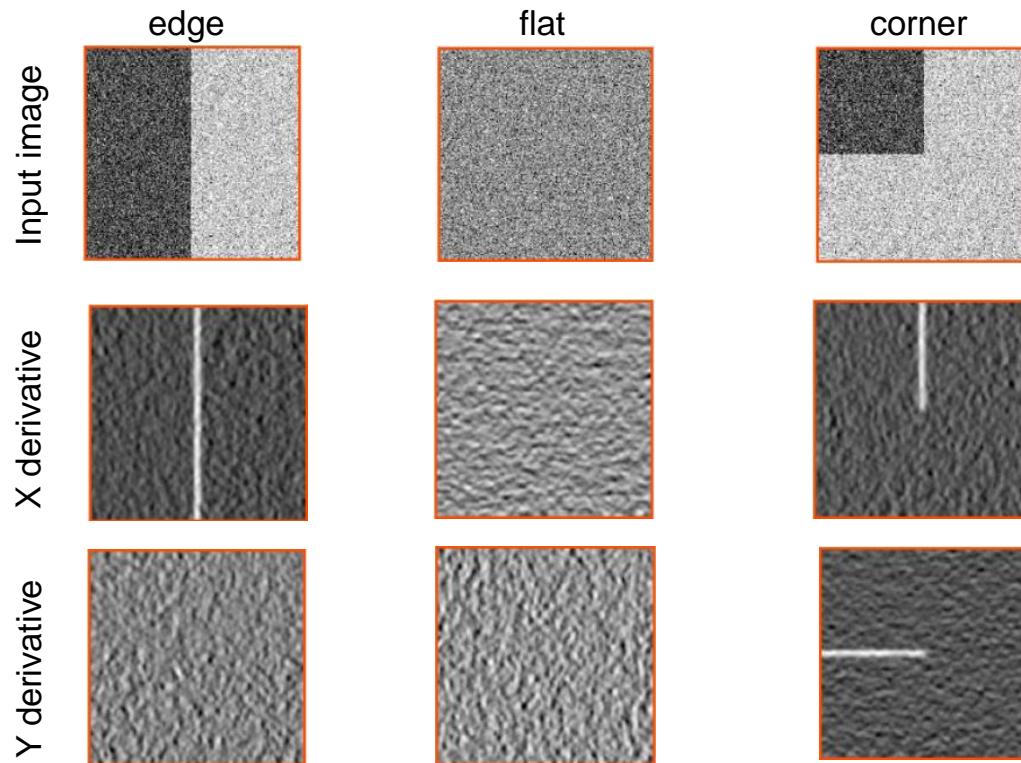
$$R_N = \frac{\text{Det } M}{\text{Trace } M} = \frac{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}$$

$$R_H = \text{Det } M - k(\text{Trace } M)^2$$

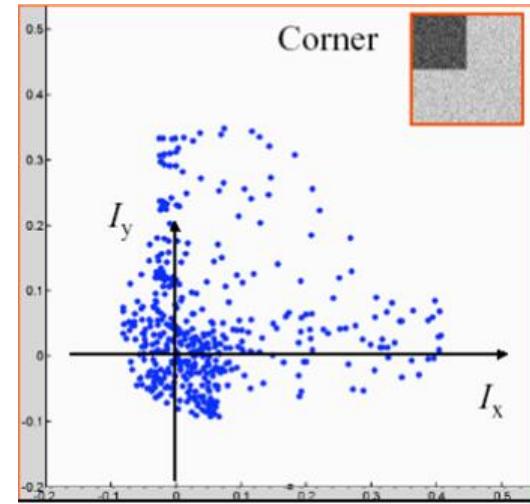
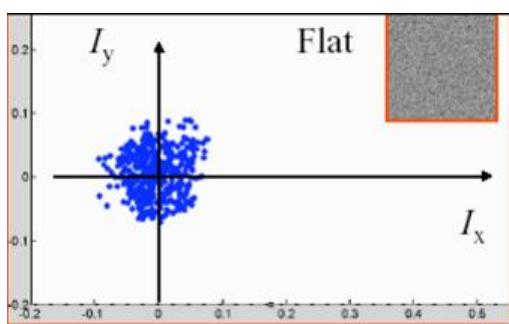
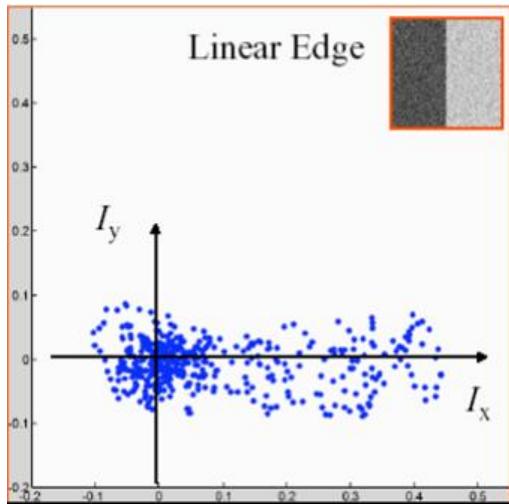


# Harris Detector: intuitive way...

M is composed of derivatives combinations



# Harris Detector: intuitive way...



# Harris Detector: Algorithm

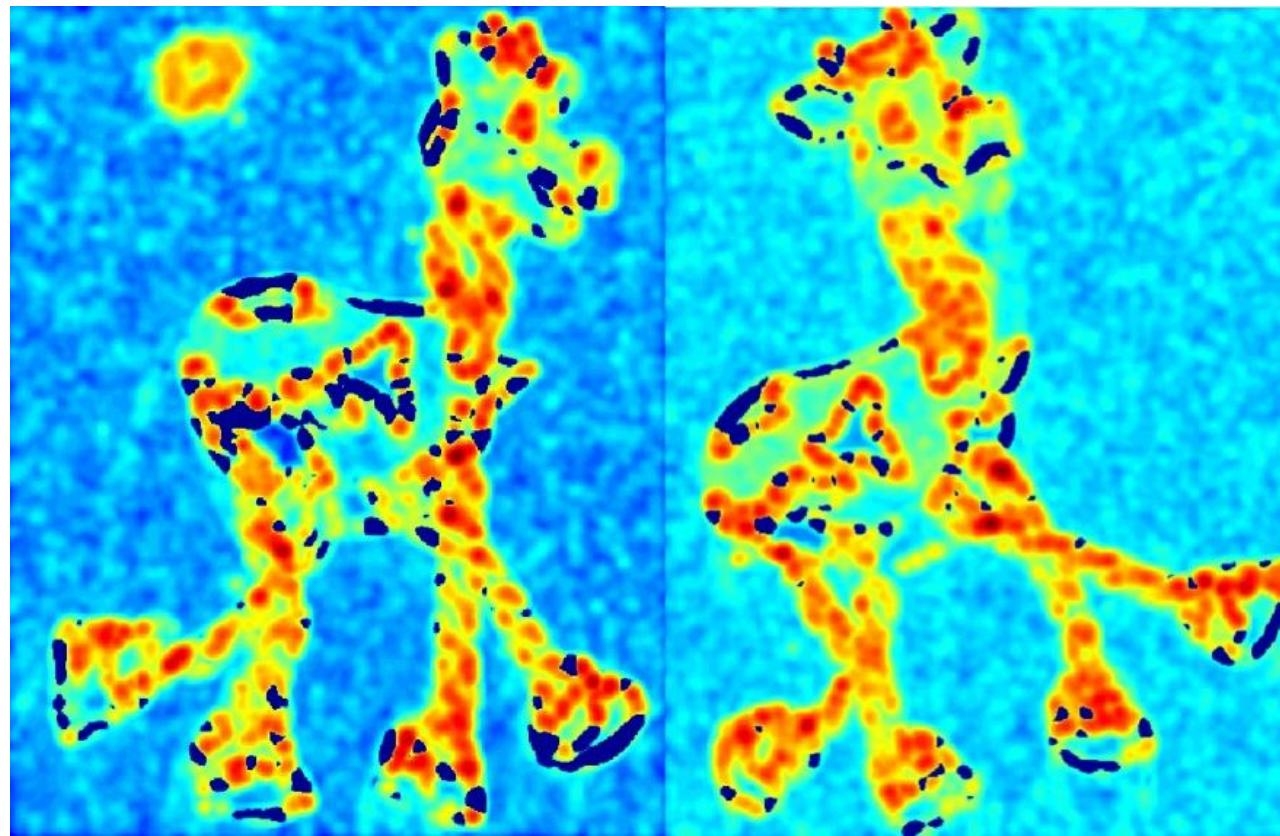
- Compute corner response  $R$
- Find points with large corner response:  $R > \text{threshold}$
- Take only the points of local maxima of  $R$

# Harris Detector: Workflow



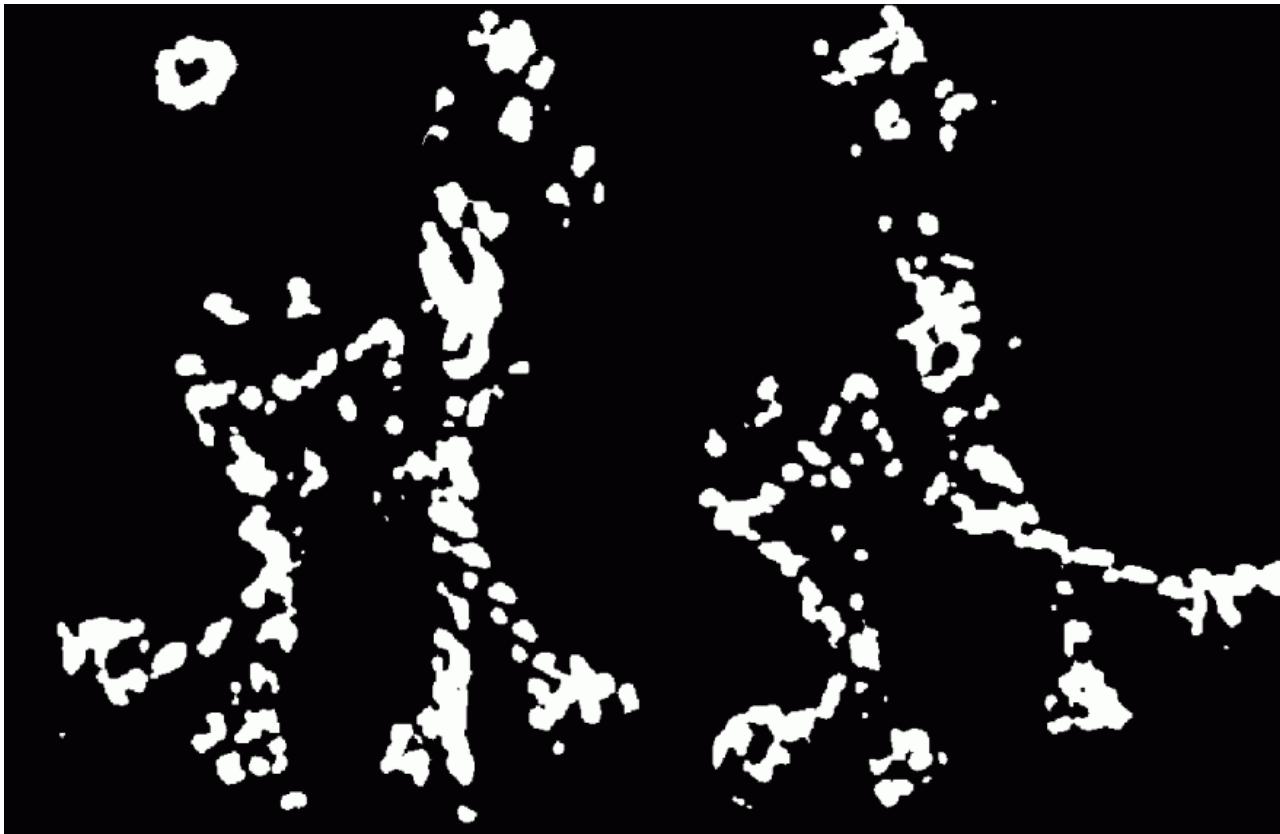
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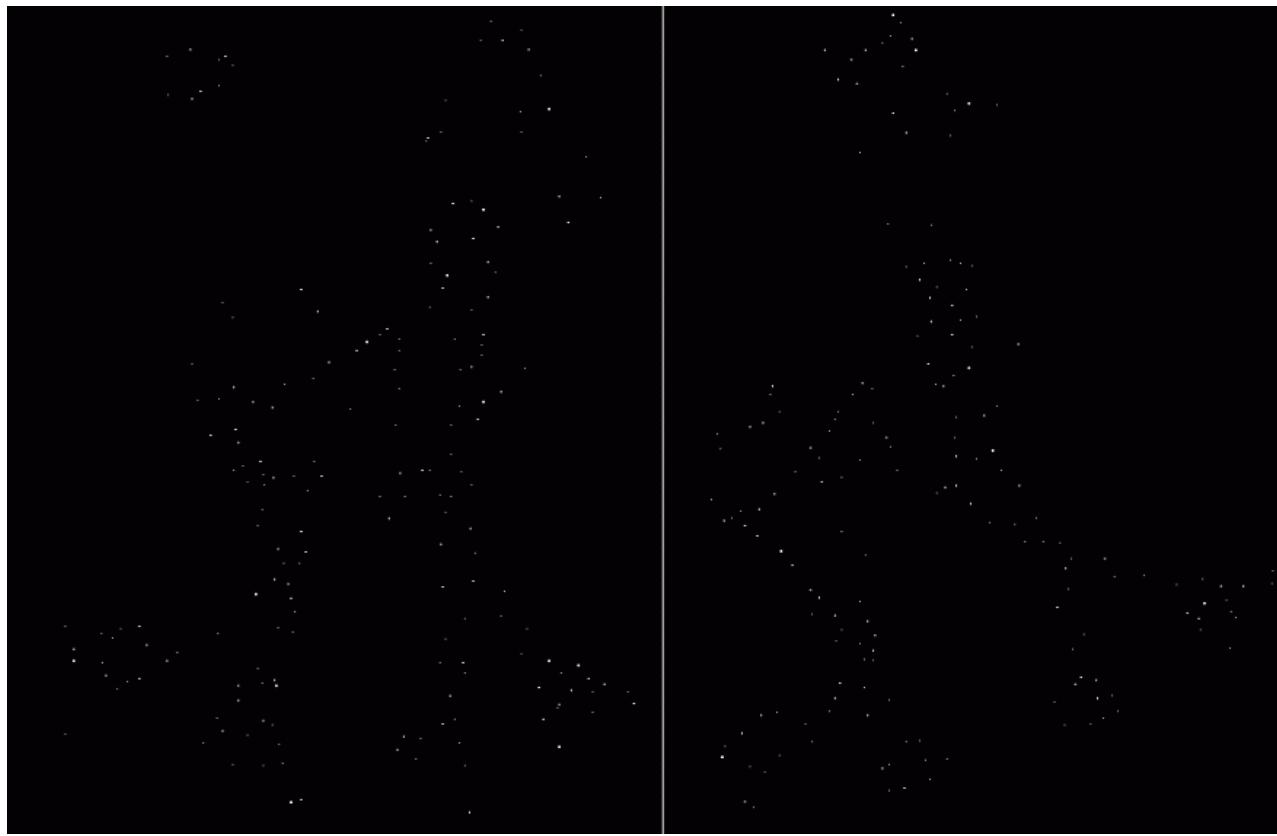
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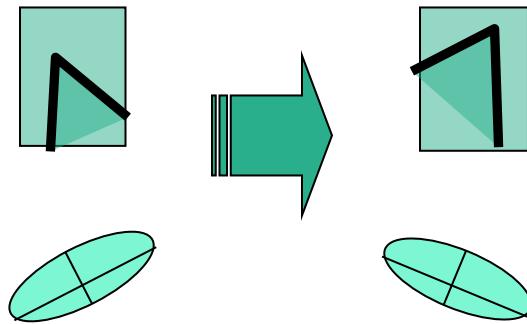


# Harris Detector: Workflow



# Harris Detector: Some Properties

- Rotation invariance

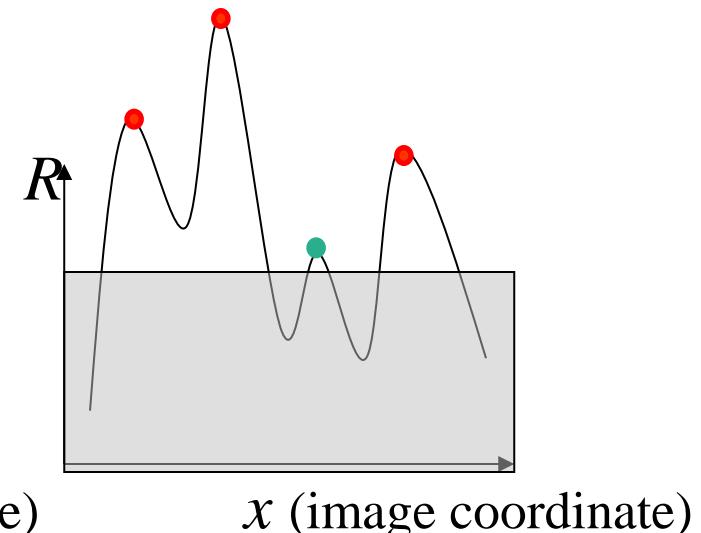
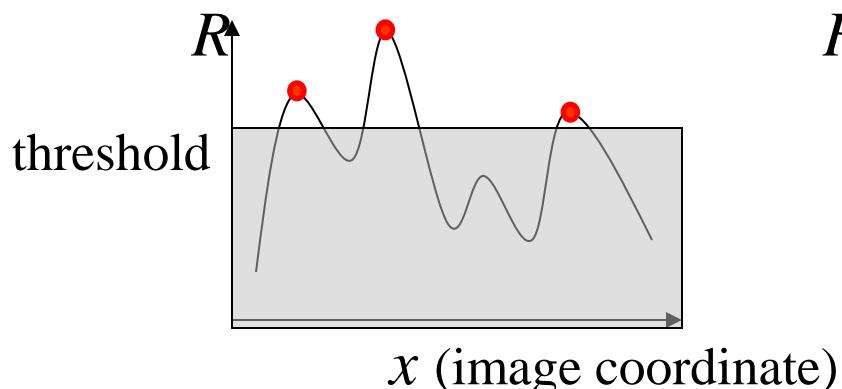


Ellipse rotates but its shape (i.e. eigenvalues) remains the same

*Corner response  $R$  is invariant to image rotation*

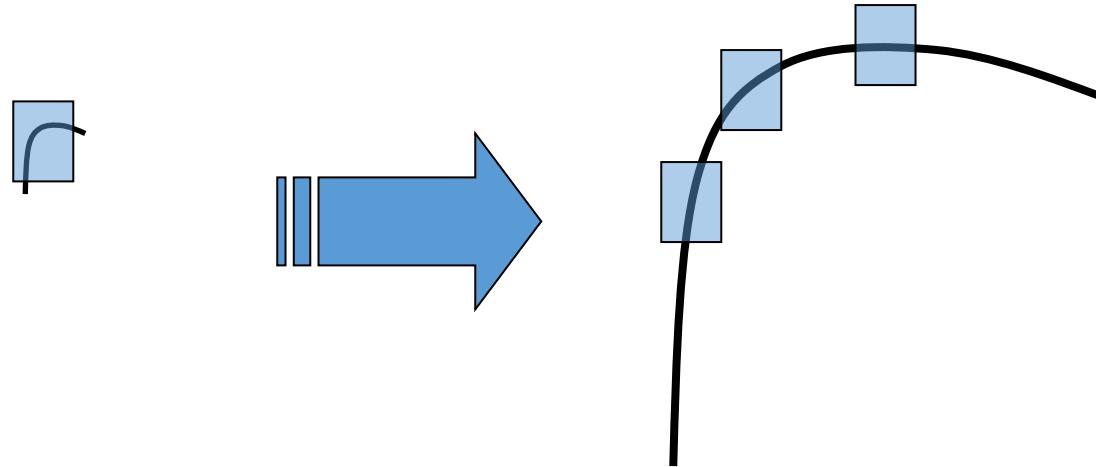
# Harris Detector: Some Properties

- Partial invariance to *change in* intensity
  - ✓ Only derivatives are used  
=> invariance to intensity shift  $I \rightarrow I + b$
  - ✗ Intensity scale:  $I \rightarrow a I$



# Harris Detector: Some Properties

- But: non-invariant to geometric scale!

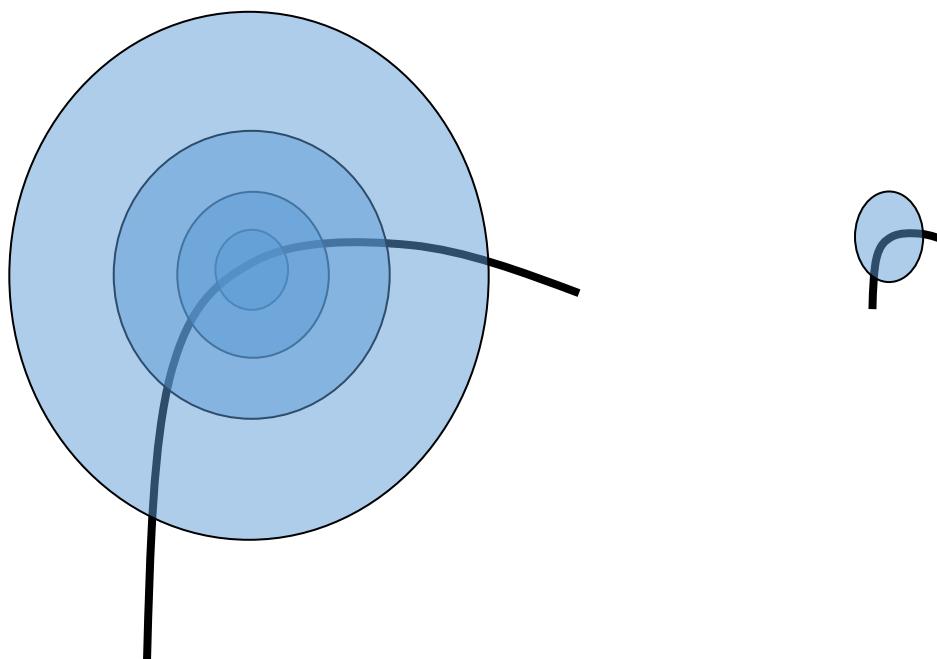


Corner

All points will  
be classified  
as **edges**!

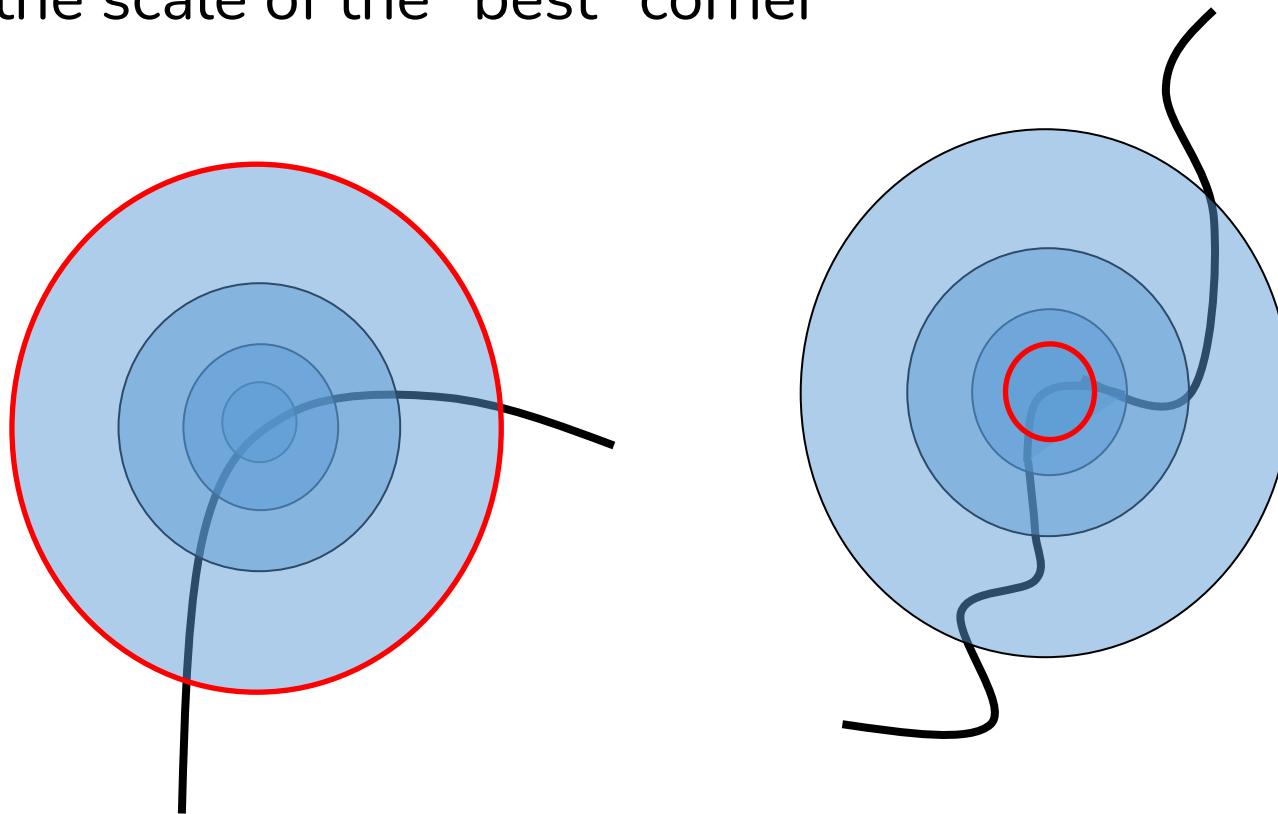
# Scale Invariant Detection

- Consider regions (e.g. circles) of different sizes around a point.
- Regions of corresponding sizes will look the same in both images



# Scale Invariant Detection

- The problem: how do we choose corresponding circles *independently* in each image?
- Choose the scale of the “best” corner



# Affine transformations

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## in 5 minutes

**Next week:  
MOPS & SIFT**