



Parameters Data



Optical Flow

♦ calcOpticalFlowPyrLK()

```
void cv::calcOpticalFlowPyrLK ( InputArray      prevImg,
                               InputArray      nextImg,
                               InputArray      prevPts,
                               InputOutputArray nextPts,
                               OutputArray      status,
                               OutputArray      err,
                               Size            winSize = Size(21, 21) ,
                               int             maxLevel = 3 ,
                               TermCriteria     criteria = TermCriteria(TermCriteria::COUNT+TermCriteria::EPS, 30, 0.01) ,
                               int             flags = 0 ,
                               double           minEigThreshold = 1e-4
                               )
```

Python:

```
cv.calcOpticalFlowPyrLK( prevImg, nextImg, prevPts, nextPts[, status[, err[, winSize[, maxLevel[, criteria[, flags[, minEigThreshold]]]]]]]) ) nextPts, status, err
```

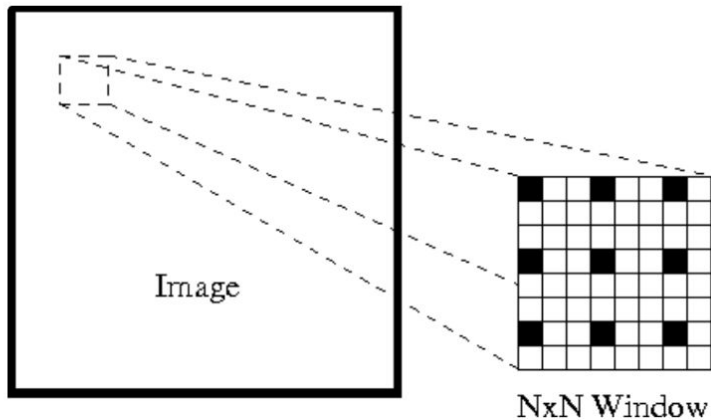
nextPts
(input/output) =
input only if you
already have them
and want to know the
status and err

Status (output)= If
flow from the
previous features was
found, status=1.
Otherwise status=0.

maxlevel= maximum
pyramid levels (starts
at 0)

Windows in CalcOpticalFlow

First, under these assumptions, we can take a small 3x3 window (neighborhood) around the features detected by Shi-Tomasi and assume that all nine points have the same motion.



Lucas-Kanade: Optical flow is estimated for the black pixels

Window size can be adjusted in parameters

Iterations in CalcOpticalFlow

$$\sum w^2(x, y) [\nabla I(x, y, t) v + It(x, y, t)]^2$$

Where $w(x, y)$ denotes a window function that gives more influence to constraints at the center of the neighbourhood.

Compute Iterative LK at highest level

For Each Level I [7];

- Take flow $u(i-1)$, $v(i-1)$ from level $i-1$
- Up sample the flow to create $u^*(i)$, $v^*(i)$ matrices of twice resolution for level i .
- Multiply $u^*(i)$, $v^*(i)$ by 2
- Compute It from a block displaced by $u^*(i)$, $v^*(i)$
- Apply LK to get $u'(i)$, $v'(i)$ (the correction in flow)
- Add corrections $u'(i)$, $v'(i)$ to obtain the flow $u(i)$, $v(i)$ at I th level, i.e., $u(i)=u^*(i)+u'(i)$, $v(i)=v^*(i)+v'(i)$

Iterations:

How many times the math of Lucas Kanade is done within each window

More iterations = more robust

Criteria in opencv calc: can have max iteration count or threshold for smallest window movement

(continued)

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```

Flags: can set criteria for an error (if not set, there is a default error measure)

Min Eig Threshold: boosts performance. Filters out features that don't create eigenvalues above the minimum threshold



Error and Flags

In `calcOpticalFlowPyrlk`



3 options for flags, change what err is

1. ****OPTFLOW_USE_INITIAL_FLOW****
 - a. uses initial estimations, stored in nextPts; if the flag is not set, then prevPts is copied to nextPts and is considered the initial estimate.
2. ****OPTFLOW_LK_GET_MIN_EIGENVALS****
 - a. use minimum eigen values as the error measure (see minEigThreshold description)
3. No flag set
 - a. L1 distance between patches around the original and a moved point, divided by number of pixels in a window, is used as a error measure.

(Source: details hovering over the function in VS Code)



A-KAZE Feature Detection

♦ create()

```
static Ptr<KAZE> cv::KAZE::create ( bool                extended = false ,
                                     bool                upright  = false ,
                                     float               threshold = 0.001f ,
                                     int                 nOctaves  = 4 ,
                                     int                 nOctaveLayers = 4 ,
                                     KAZE::DiffusivityType diffusivity = KAZE::DIFF_PM_G2
                                     )
```

Python:

```
cv.KAZE.create( [ , extended[, upright[, threshold[, nOctaves[, nOctaveLayers[, diffusivity]]]]]] ) -> retval
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```

The **KAZE** constructor.

Parameters

extended	Set to enable extraction of extended (128-byte) descriptor.
upright	Set to enable use of upright descriptors (non rotation-invariant).
threshold	Detector response threshold to accept point
nOctaves	Maximum octave evolution of the image
nOctaveLayers	Default number of sublevels per scale level
diffusivity	Diffusivity type. DIFF_PM_G1, DIFF_PM_G2, DIFF_WEICKERT or DIFF_CHARBONNIER

cv2.KAZE_create()

Octaves: Number of scale levels in pyramid

Octave layers: each layer adds more change in luminance (ie Gaussian blur)

Diffusivity: certain flow function that controls diffusion process

Descriptors

- Extra info about keypoints so computer knows if two are “the same point” or different points
- Example: Letters h and b both have a 3-point intersection. The intensity of the 3x3 window around them describes if they are similar or the same. That’s how the computer would know that the keypoints in the intersection look the same, but because of the neighborhoods they are not the same feature.

Feature Matching to compare descriptors and match up the key points has multiple options

Brute Force vs FLANN based

BF vs FLANN Matching

- Brute Force tries every match and sees which is the best one
- FLANN Is fast approximations, based on being the best match nearby, so it computes quicker but will be less accurate.
- Since the features in the sonar images already look very similar, I suspect Brute Force is the better choice to implement for this project.

♦ detectAndCompute()

```
virtual void cv::Feature2D::detectAndCompute ( InputArray          image,  
                                              InputArray          mask,  
                                              std::vector< KeyPoint > & keypoints,  
                                              OutputArray         descriptors,  
                                              bool                  useProvidedKeypoints = false  
                                              )
```

Python:

```
cv.Feature2D.detectAndCompute( image, mask[, descriptors[, useProvidedKeypoints]] ) -> keypoints, descriptors
```

Detects keypoints and computes the descriptors

Image = picture to
find points from

Mask = for writing
the new points onto

Keypoints =
Optional. Can input
vector of keypoints
and just get all their
data and descriptors
as output

Descriptors =
Descriptors for the
input keypoints if
they're used

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