

U10. Motion Estimation

SJK002 Computer Vision

Master in Intelligent Systems



- Application examples.
- Optical flow.
- Global motion: image registration.
 - Gray level-based registration.
 - Criterion functions.
 - Optimization methods.

Video mosaicing



Video compression

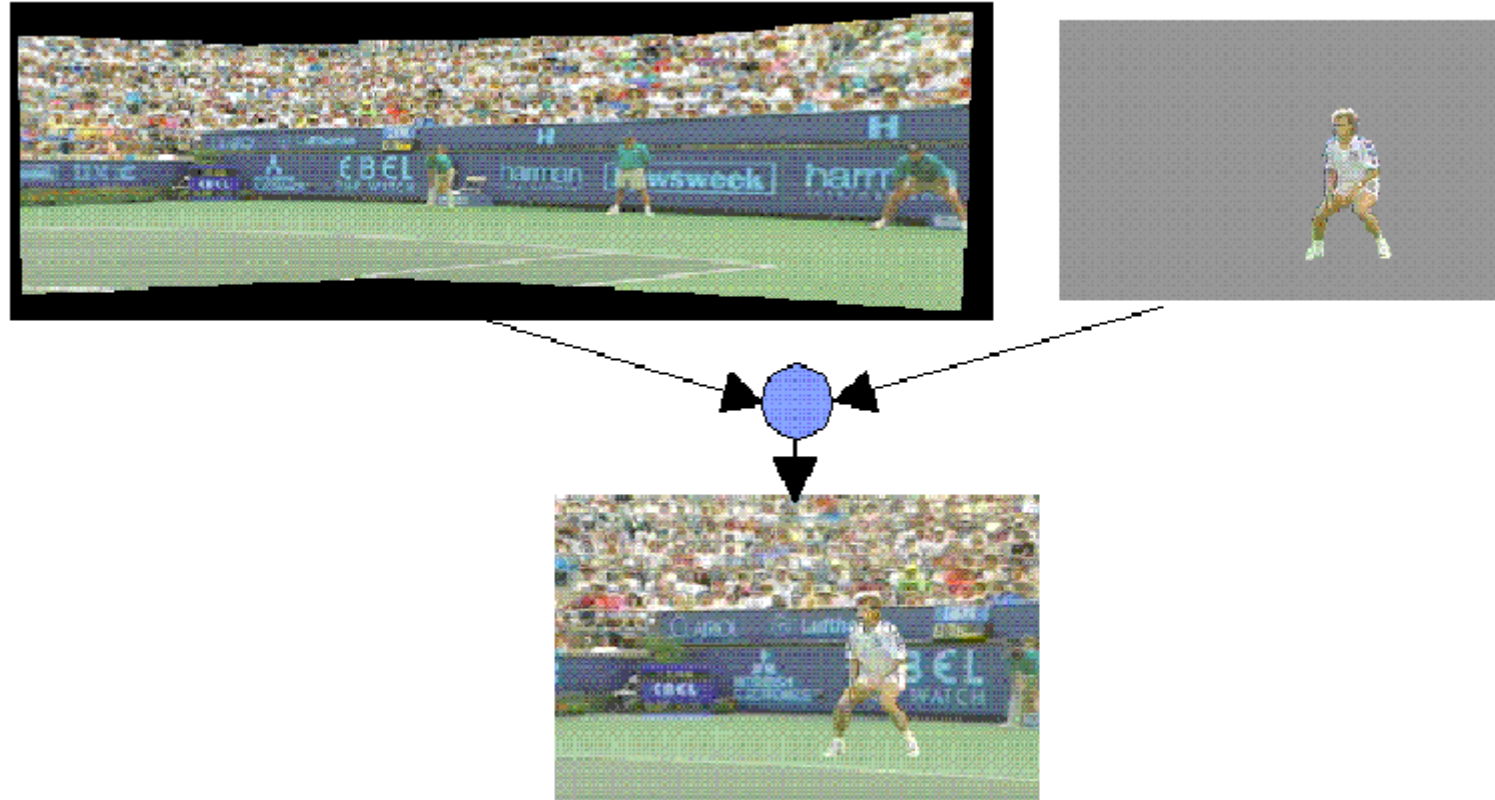
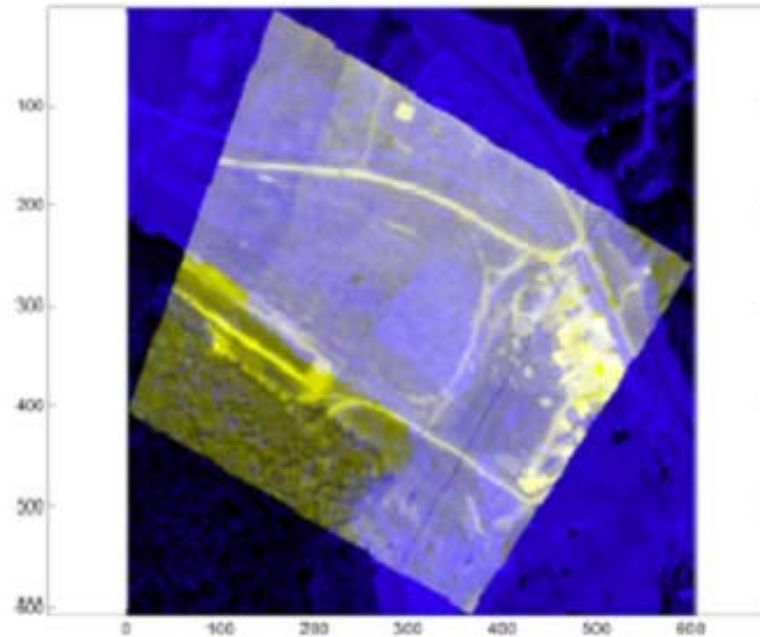
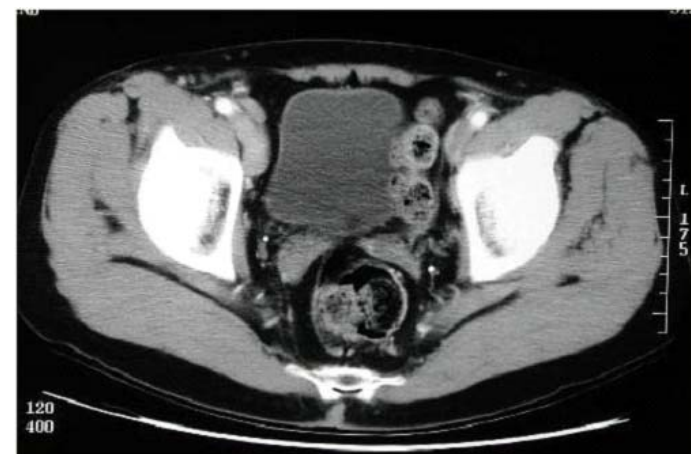
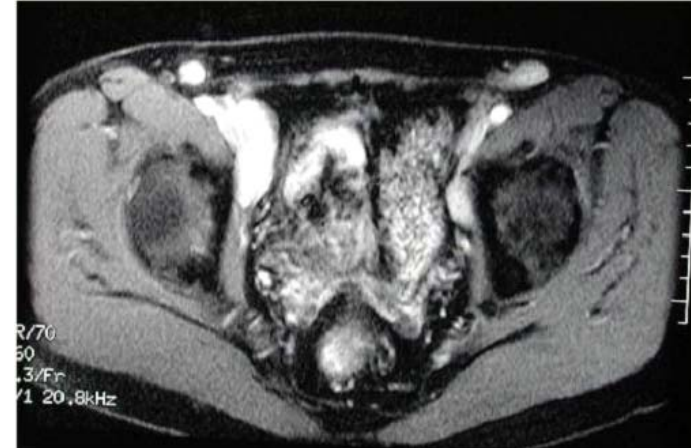


Image registration

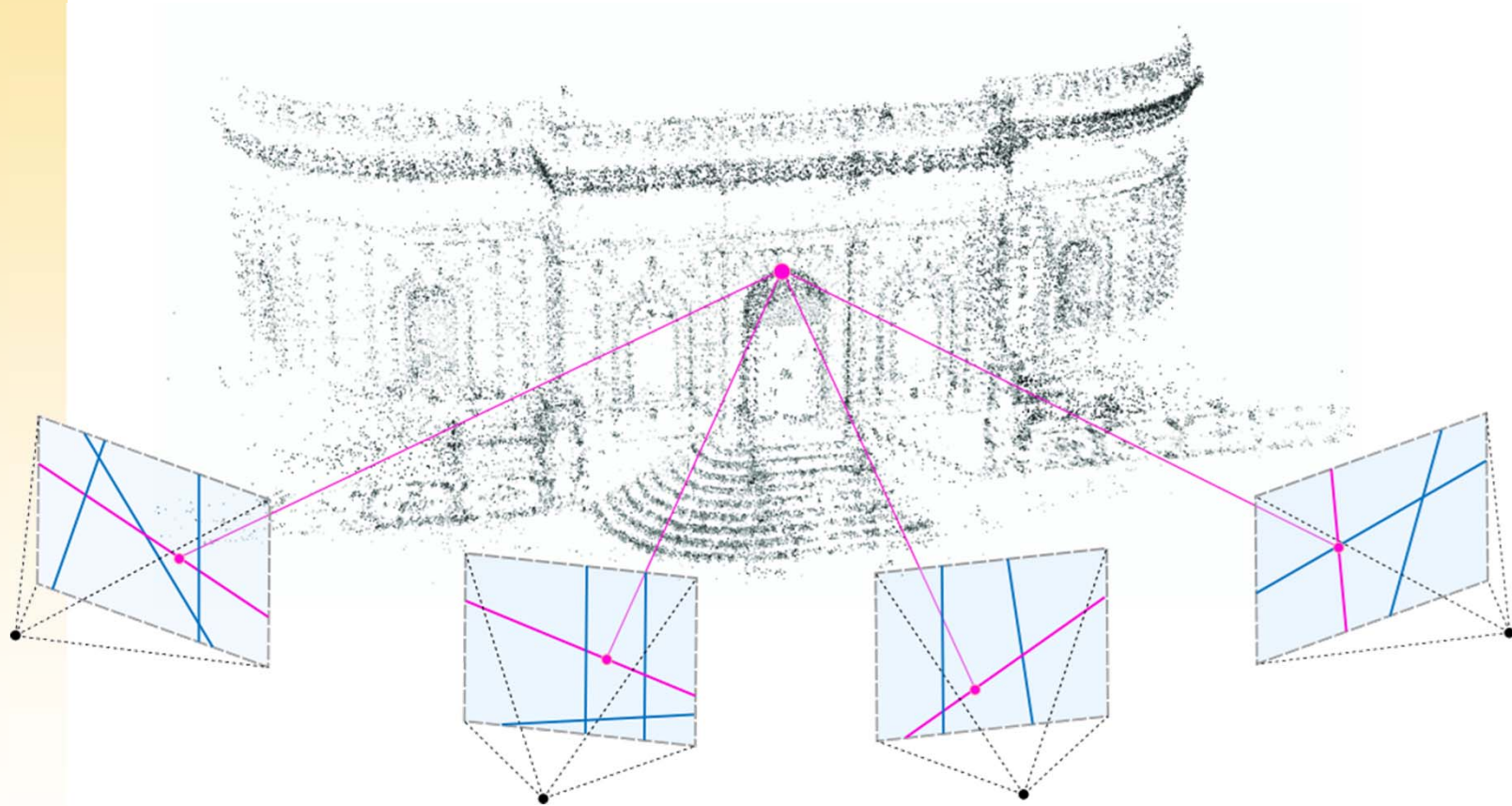
Medical image
registration



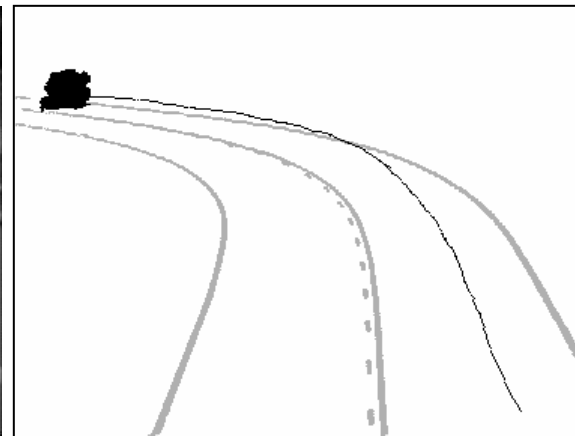
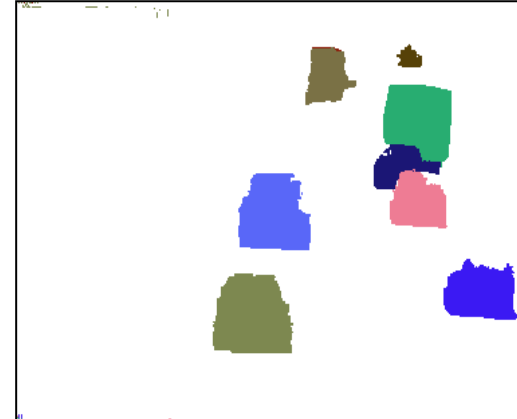
Overlapping with reference
image (maps).



Structure from motion

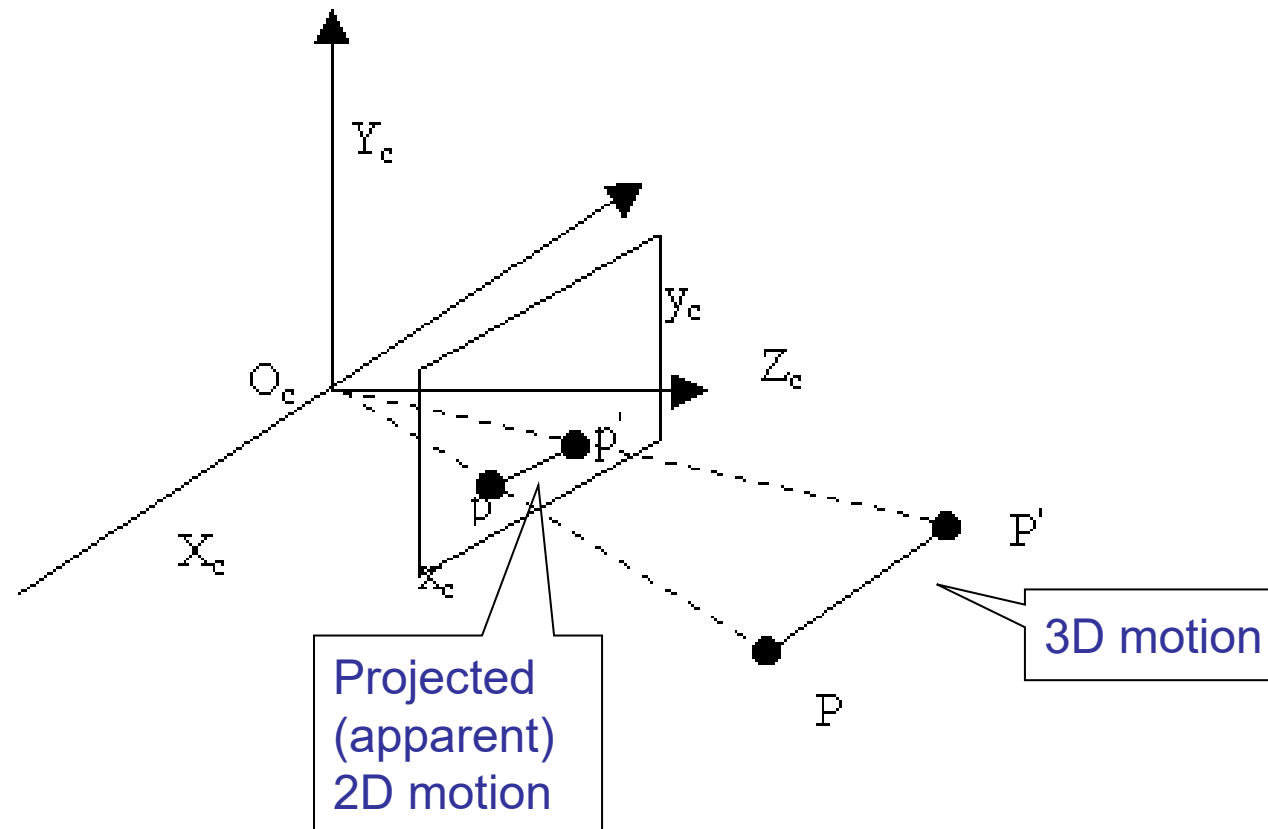


Motion segmentation and tracking

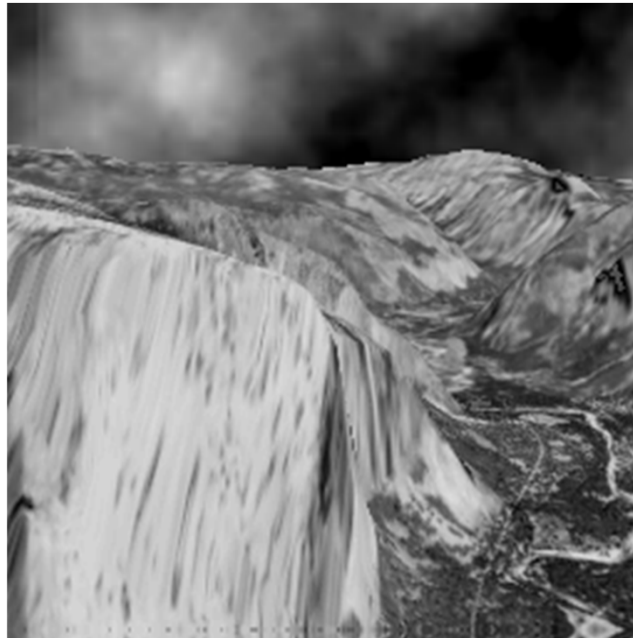


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From 3D to 3D motion

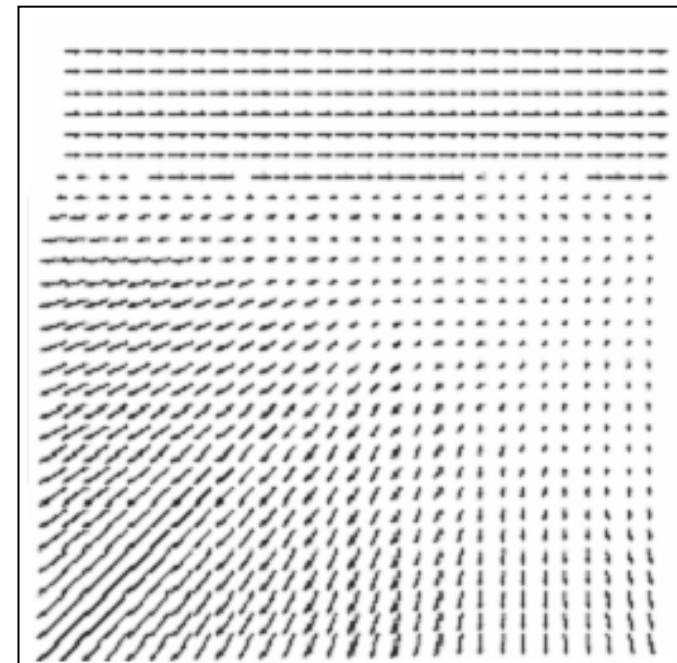


Optical flow



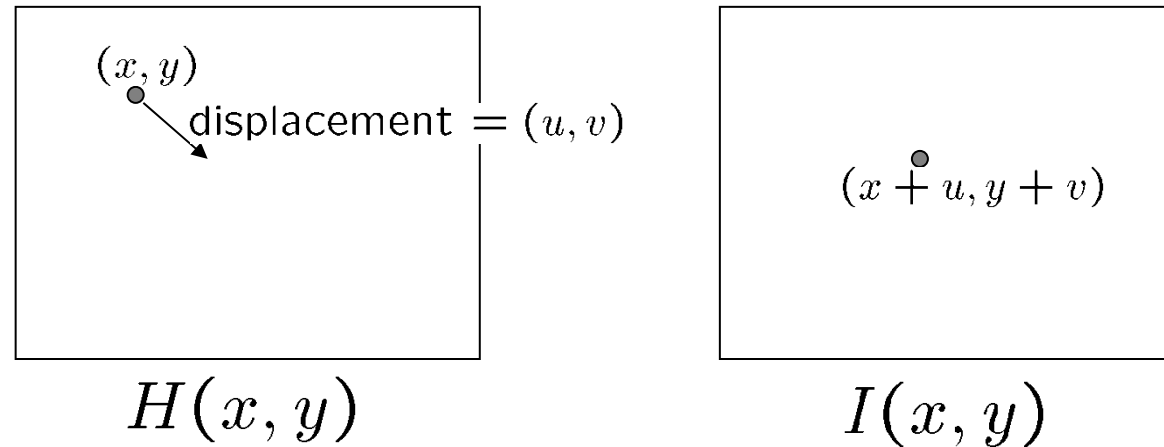
Yosemite sequence

Optical Flow or velocity field



Motion estimation of every pixel (dense motion field)

Optical flow estimation



■ Assumptions:

- Brightness (grey level) constancy assumption.

$$0 = I(x + u, y + v) - H(x, y)$$

- Small (u, v) pixel motion.

Optical flow equation

$$I(x+u, y+v) = I(x, y) + \frac{\partial I}{\partial x}u + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y}v + \text{higher order terms}$$

$$\approx I(x, y) + \frac{\partial I}{\partial x}u + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y}v$$

$$0 = I(x+u, y+v) - H(x, y)$$

$$I_x = \frac{\partial I}{\partial x}$$

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

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

$$\approx I_t + I_x u + I_y v$$

$$\approx I_t + \nabla I \cdot [u \ v]$$

At the limit, $(u, v) \rightarrow 0$

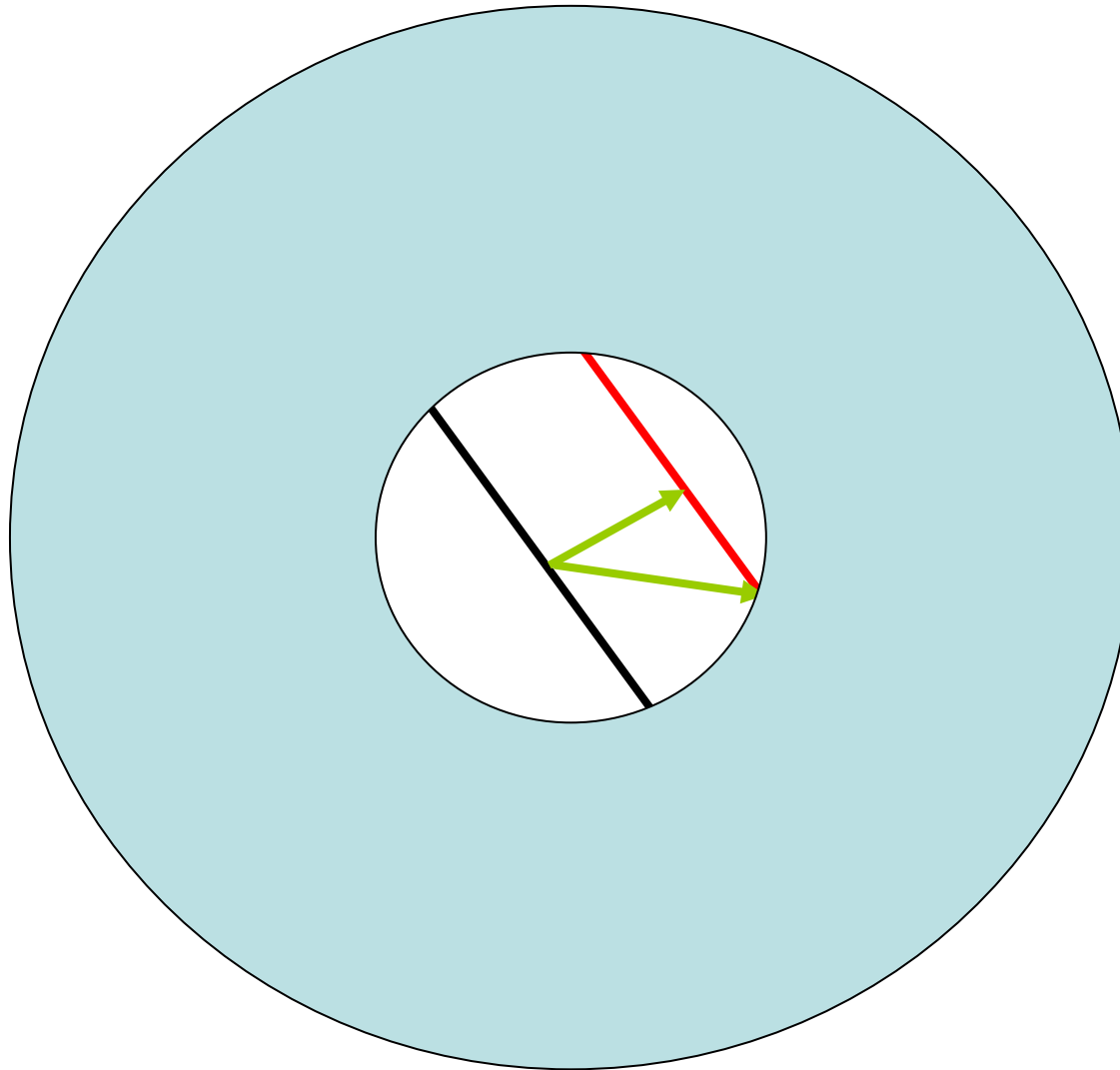
$$0 = I_t + \nabla I \cdot \left[\frac{\partial x}{\partial t} \ \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \right]$$

Optical flow equation

$$0 = I_t + \nabla I \cdot [u \ v]$$

- One equation and two unknowns (u, v)
- Meaning:
 - We can only estimate the optical flow component in the gradient direction.
 - The so-called "aperture problem".
- Additional constraints are needed.

The aperture problem



Optical flow estimation

- Avoid the aperture problem.
- Additional constraints:
 - Optical flow is locally smooth
 - ▶ Assume pixels in a window have the same (u, v)

$$0 = I_t(\mathbf{p}_i) + \nabla I(\mathbf{p}_i) \cdot [u \ v]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_x(\mathbf{p}_1) & I_y(\mathbf{p}_1) \\ I_x(\mathbf{p}_2) & I_y(\mathbf{p}_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ I_x(\mathbf{p}_{25}) & I_y(\mathbf{p}_{25}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} I_t(\mathbf{p}_1) \\ I_t(\mathbf{p}_2) \\ \vdots \\ I_t(\mathbf{p}_{25}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: window
5x5= 25 pixels

A
25x2

d
2x1

b
25x1

Lukas-Kanade algorithm

$$\begin{matrix} A & d = & b \\ 25 \times 2 & 2 \times 1 & 25 \times 1 \end{matrix} \longrightarrow \text{minimize } \|Ad - b\|^2$$

Two unknowns $d=(u,v)$

- Solution: least squares

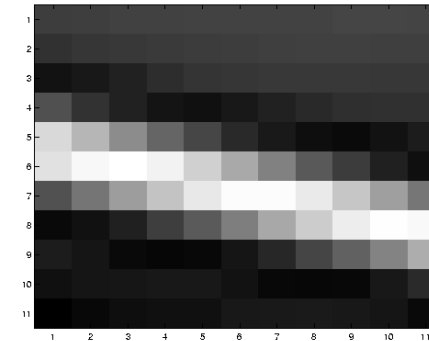
$$\begin{matrix} 2 \times 2 & 2 \times 1 & 2 \times 1 \\ (A^T A) & d = & A^T b \end{matrix}$$

Sum up for all
pixels in the window

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

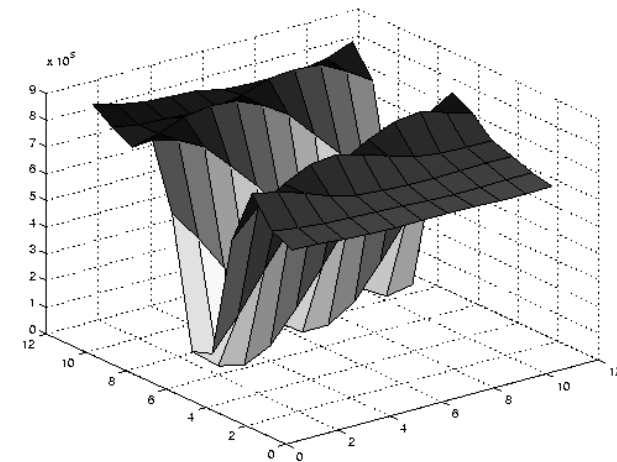
Must be invertible.
Not very small eigen values.
One eigen value larger than the other one

Edge pixels

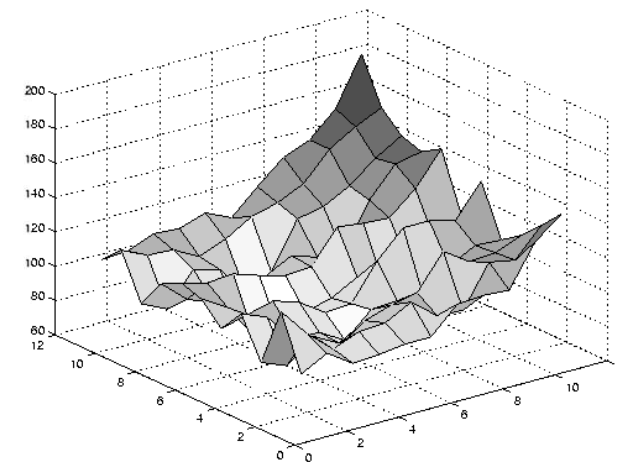
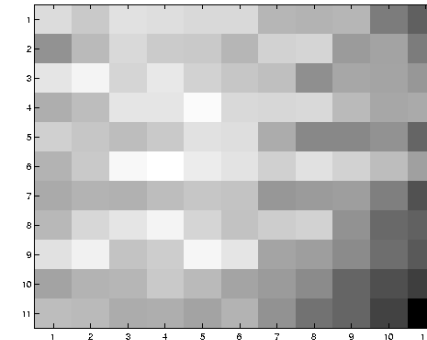


$$\sum \nabla I (\nabla I)^T$$

- large gradients along borders.
- λ_1 large, λ_2 small.



Low textured regions

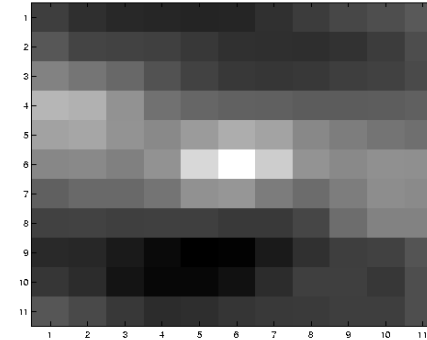


$$\sum \nabla I (\nabla I)^T$$

– small gradient magnitude.

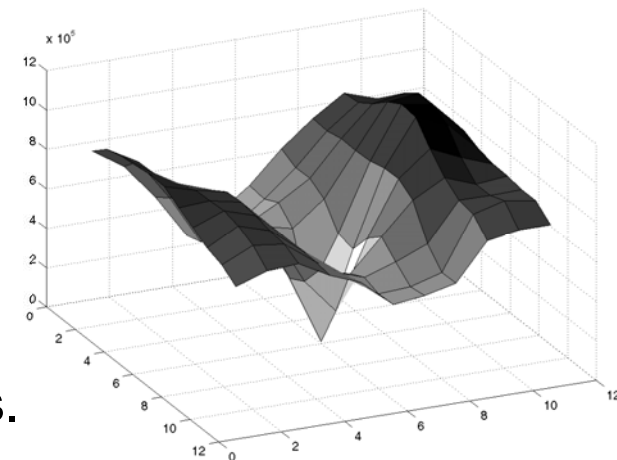
– λ_1 small, λ_2 small

High textured regions



$$\sum \nabla I (\nabla I)^T$$

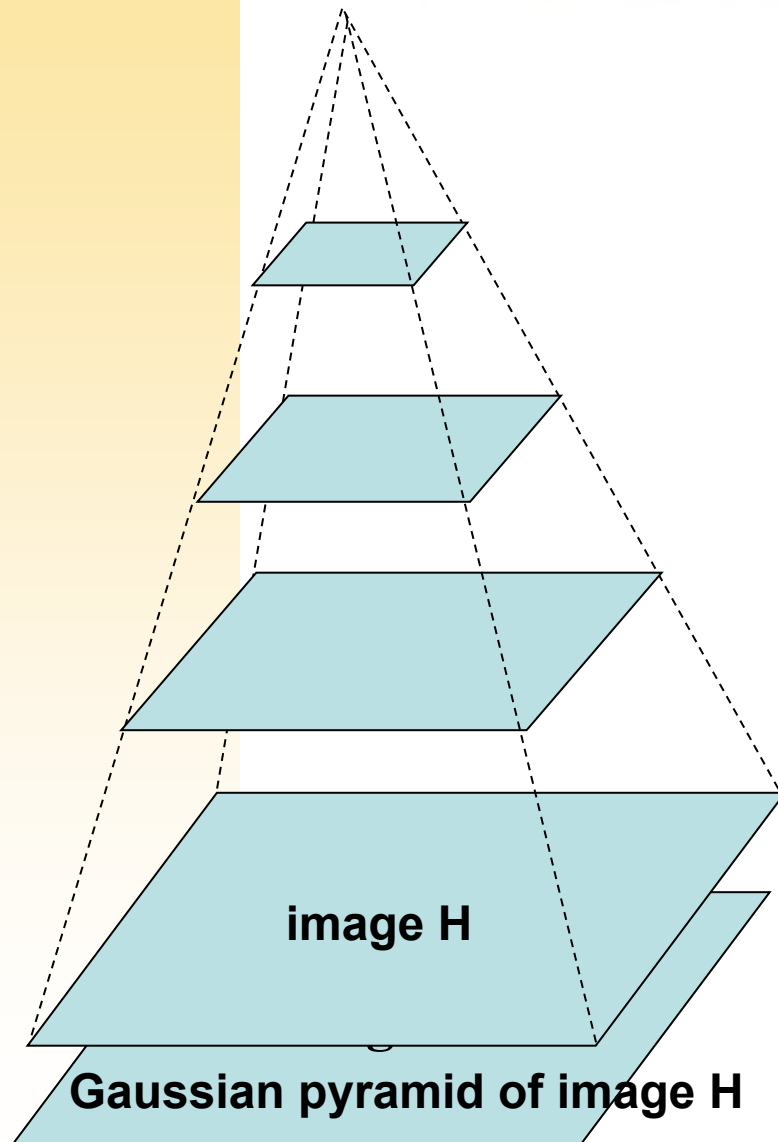
- different gradients, large magnitudes.
- λ_1 , large, λ_2 large



Iterative Lucas-Kanade algorithm

- **Velocity estimation** of each pixel using the Lucas-Kanade algorithm.
- **Transform H into I** using the estimated optical flow:
 - Calculate resulting images using **interpolation techniques**.
- **Repeat** until convergence.

Multiresolution estimation



Gaussian pyramid of image H

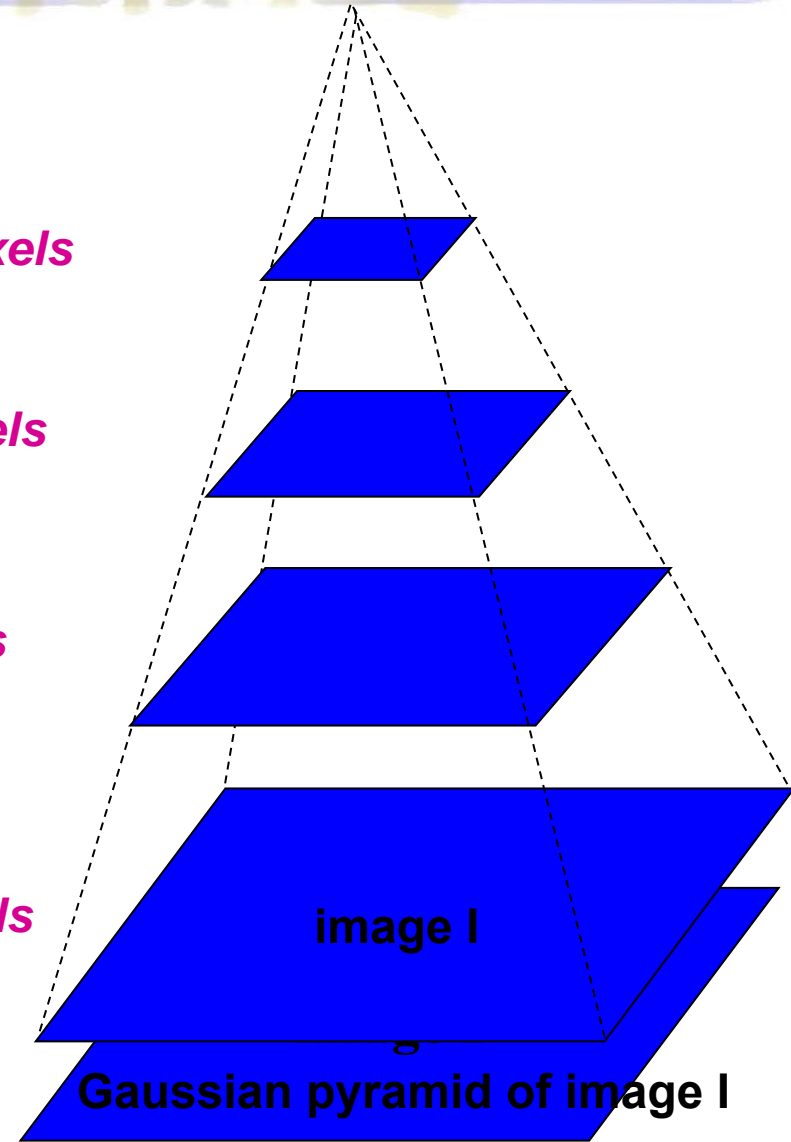
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$u=1.25$ pixels

$u=2.5$ pixels

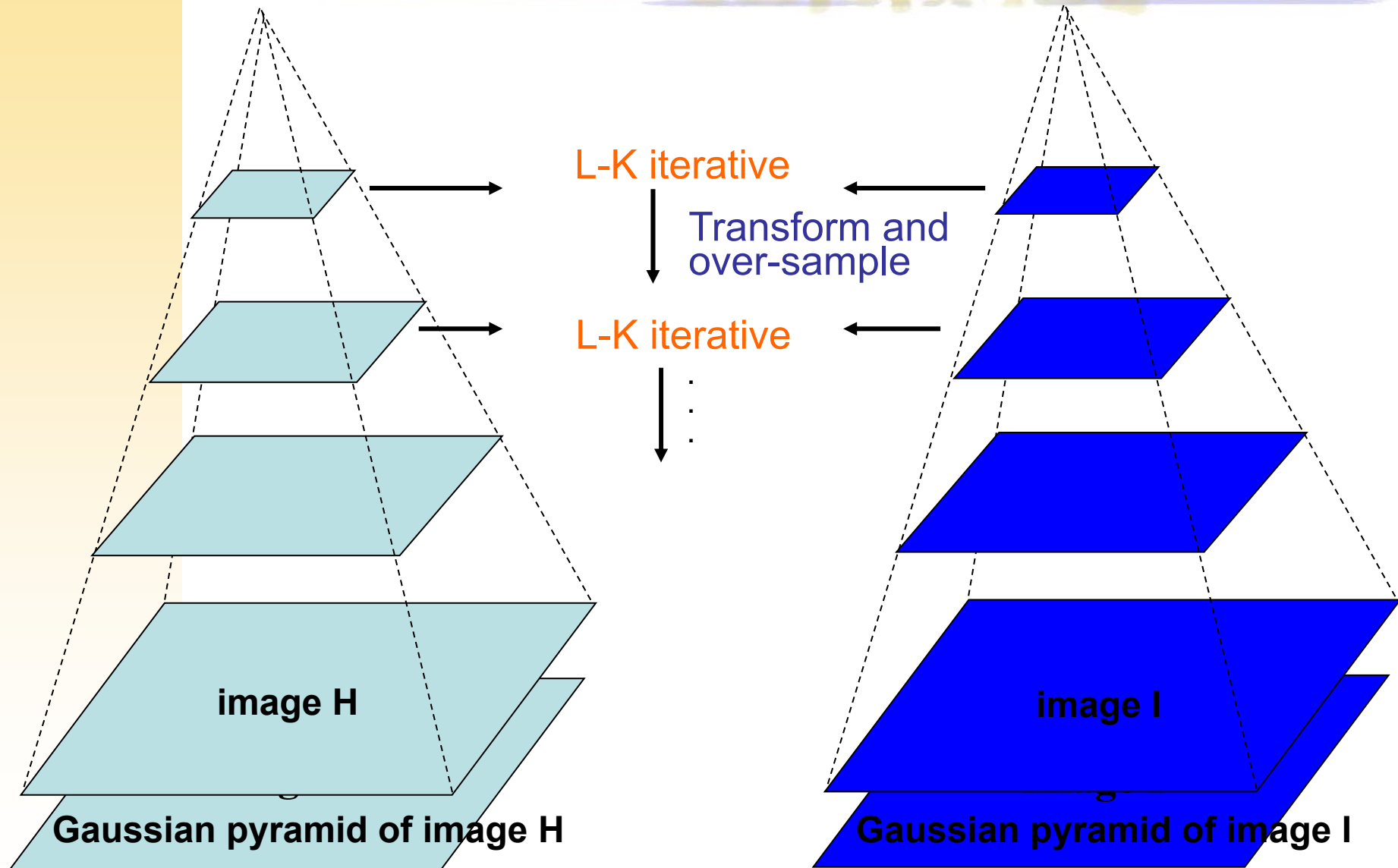
$u=5$ pixels

$u=10$ pixels

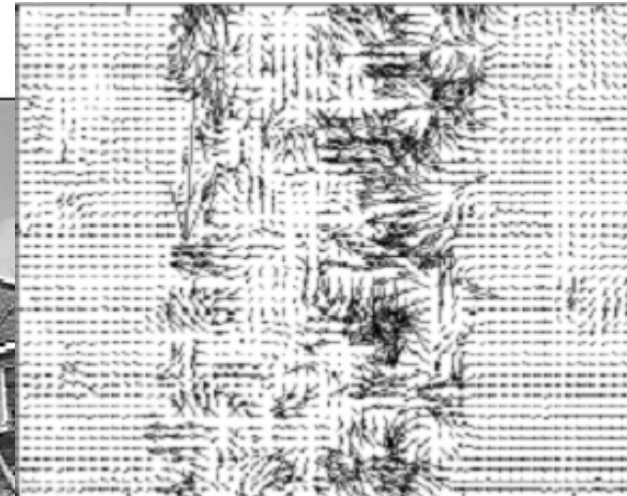


Gaussian pyramid of image I

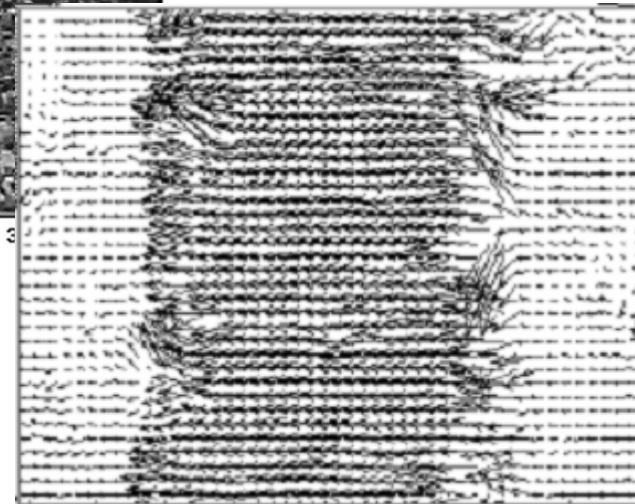
Multiresolution estimation



Example



Without multiresolution



With multiresolution

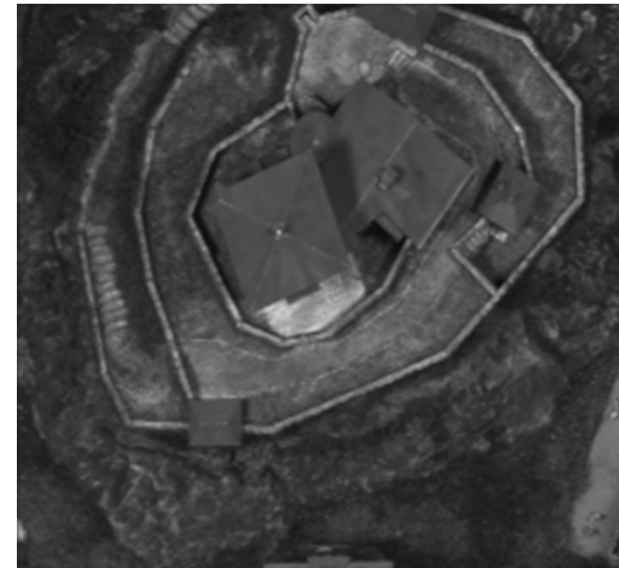
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Image registration

- **Multiview analysis:** Mosaicking, Satellite images, ...
- **Temporal analysis:** Video segmentation, tracking, ...
- **Multimodal analysis:** Different sensors (CT-MR, ...)
- **Scene-to-model:** GIS, Medical imaging, ...

“Find the correspondence between pixels in two images”

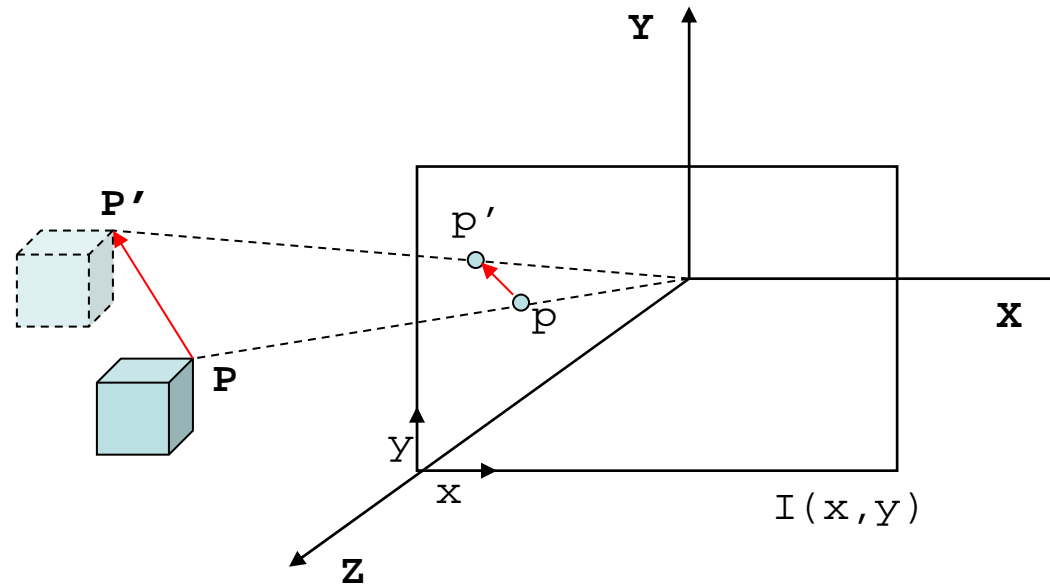
“Find a unique geometric transformation that better fits motion of all pixels between two images



- Feature-based methods:
 - Uses feature or interest points:
 - ▶ Reduced information.
 - Computationally efficient.

- “Grey level” based methods:
 - Uses raw image information:
 - ▶ Overdetermined data.
 - Better accuracy.
 - Optimization methods:
 - ▶ Criterion function.

From 3D to 2D motion



- Motion projection of 3D point in a 2D image plane.

- **Affine model:**

- Corresponds to an **orthographic projection** of a 3D plane motion:

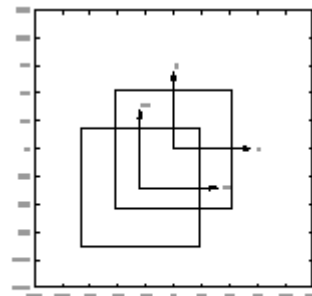
$$(x', y') = T(x, y) \begin{cases} x' = a_1 x + a_2 y + a_3; \\ y' = a_4 x + a_5 y + a_6; \end{cases}$$

- **Perspective transformation:**

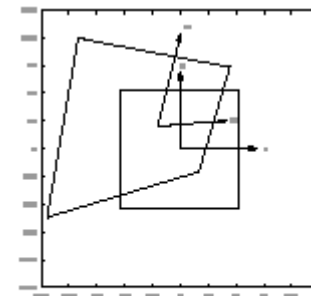
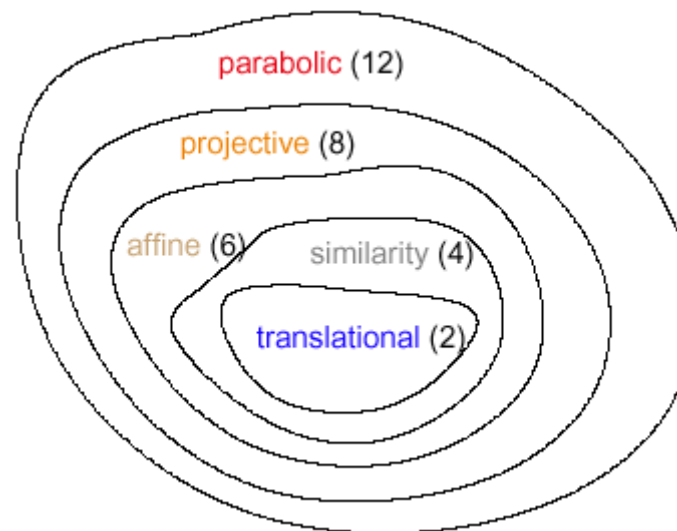
- Corresponds to a **perspective projection** of a 3D plane motion.

$$(x', y') = T(x, y) \begin{cases} x' = \frac{a_1 x + a_2 y + a_3}{a_7 x + a_8 y + 1} \\ y' = \frac{a_4 x + a_5 y + a_6}{a_7 x + a_8 y + 1} \end{cases}$$

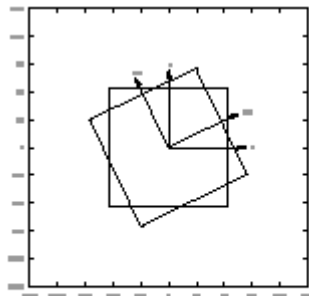
2D motion models



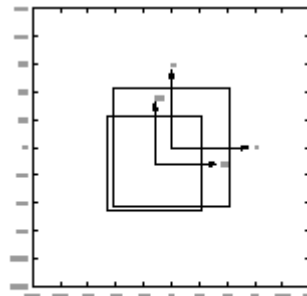
translation



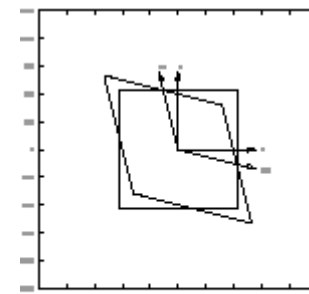
projective



rotation



translation+scale



affine

- Define a **criteria function**:

$$F_i(\chi, L_i)$$

- Estimate **parameters** which **optimize** the criterion function:
 - Choose a **strategy or minimization method**.
 - Example:
 - ▶ minimization using **least squares**:

$$\Theta = \sum_i (F_i(\chi, L_i))^2$$

Grey level-based registration

- Brightness constancy assumption (BCA)

$$\Theta_{BCA} = \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in R} (I_1(x'_i, y'_i) - I_2(x_i, y_i))^2$$

- Linearization: Optical flow equation

$$\Theta_{OF} = \sum_{x_i, y_i \in R} (I_t + u_{x_i} I_x + u_{y_i} I_y)^2$$

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- Affine motion model

$$x'_i = a_1 x_i + b_1 y_i + c_1$$

$$y'_i = a_2 x_i + b_2 y_i + c_2$$

- Optical flow:

$$u_{x_i} = x'_i - x_i = (a_1 - 1)x_i + b_1 y_i + c_1$$

$$u_{y_i} = y'_i - y_i = a_2 x_i + (b_2 - 1)y_i + c_2$$

- Ordinary Least Squares (OLS):
 - For **lineal functions**. Closed-form solution.
 - **Sensitive** to “outliers”.

$$\Theta = \sum_i (F_i(\chi, L_i))^2$$

$$\Theta_{OF} = \sum_{x_i, y_i \in R} (I_t + u_{x_i} I_x + u_{y_i} I_y)^2$$

Jacobian of the
criterion function.
Matrix (r x p)
(observations x
parameters)

$$A\chi = d$$

Independent term of the
criterion function.
Vector (r x 1)

$$\chi = (A^t A)^{-1} A^t d$$

Parameters vector to
be estimated.
Vector (p x 1)

- Ordinary Least Squares (OLS):
 - Non linear functions:
 - ▶ Newton-Gauss iterative method.

$$\Theta = \sum_i (F_i(\chi, L_i))^2$$

$$\Theta_{BCA} = \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in R} (I_1(x'_i, y'_i) - I_2(x_i, y_i))^2$$

$$\chi_j = \chi_{j-1} + \Delta\chi$$

Until increment
is small or zero

$$\Delta\chi = (A^t A)^{-1} A^t d$$

- Newton-Gauss iterative algorithm:

- Initialize $\chi_0 \quad j = 0$

- Repeat

$$j = j + 1$$

$$\Delta\chi = (A^t A)^{-1} A^t d$$

$$\chi_j = \chi_{j-1} + \Delta\chi$$

- Until $|\Delta\chi|$ is sufficiently small.

- **Robust** estimators:
 - **Bounded** “outliers” influence.
 - **M-estimators**:
 - ▶ Converted into iterative weighted LS estimators.

- **Generalized Least Squares (GLS)**:
 - Use orthogonal (“**geometric**”) distances.
 - Non linear functions.
 - **Residual minimization of observations**.
 - Can estimate **parameters** and modify **observation values**.









GLS (BCA)



OLS (OF)



RLS (BCA)



GLS (BCA)



OLS (OF)



RLS (BCA)

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