# 计算机视觉 Computer Vision

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# **Fitting**

(Hough transform)

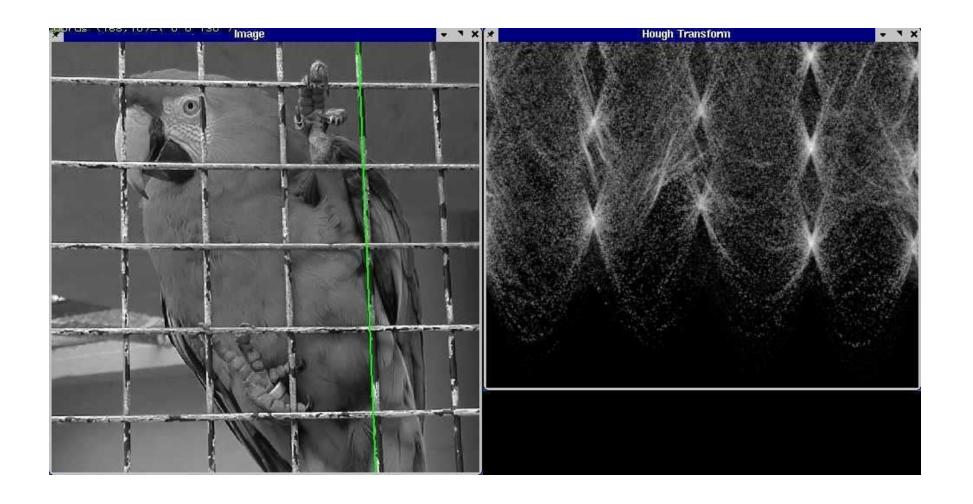
#### **RANSAC**

- Robust fitting can deal with a few outliers what if we have very many?
- Random sample consensus (RANSAC):
   Very general framework for model fitting in the presence of outliers
- Outline
  - Choose a small subset of points uniformly at random
  - Fit a model to that subset
  - Find all remaining points that are "close" to the model and reject the rest as outliers
  - Do this many times and choose the best model

M. A. Fischler, R. C. Bolles. <u>Random Sample Consensus: A Paradigm for Model Fitting with Applications to Image Analysis and Automated Cartography</u>. Comm. of the ACM, Vol 24, pp 381-395, 1981.

Machine Vision Technology								
Semantic information					Metric 3D information			
Pixels	Segments	Images	Videos		Camera		Multi-view Geometry	
Convolutions Edges & Fitting Local features Texture	Segmentation Clustering	Recognition Detection	Motion Tracking		Camera Model	Camera Calibration	Epipolar Geometry	SFM
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## Fitting: The Hough transform

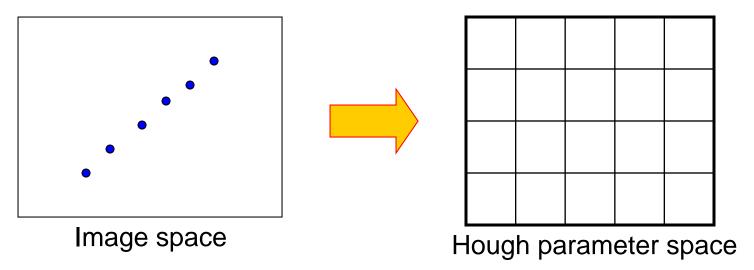


#### **Voting schemes**

- Let each feature vote for all the models that are compatible with it
- Hopefully the noise features will not vote consistently for any single model
- Missing data doesn't matter as long as there are enough features remaining to agree on a good model

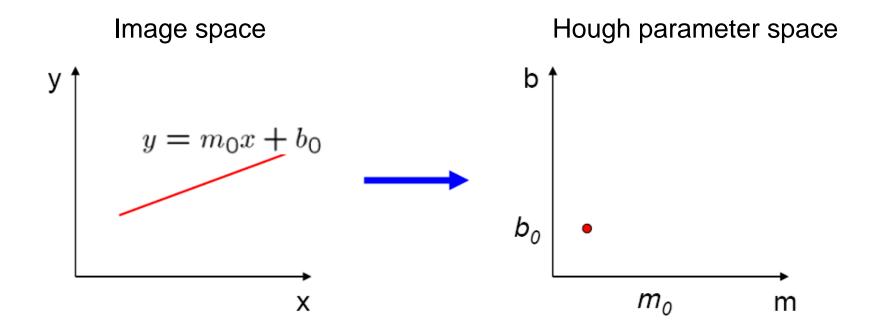
#### **Hough transform**

- An early type of voting scheme
- General outline:
  - Discretize parameter space into bins
  - For each feature point in the image, put a vote in every bin in the parameter space that could have generated this point
  - Find bins that have the most votes

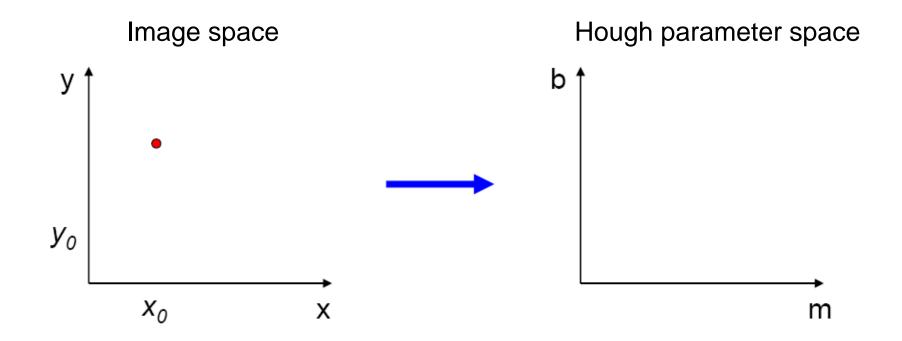


P.V.C. Hough, *Machine Analysis of Bubble Chamber Pictures*, Proc. Int. Conf. High Energy Accelerators and Instrumentation, 1959

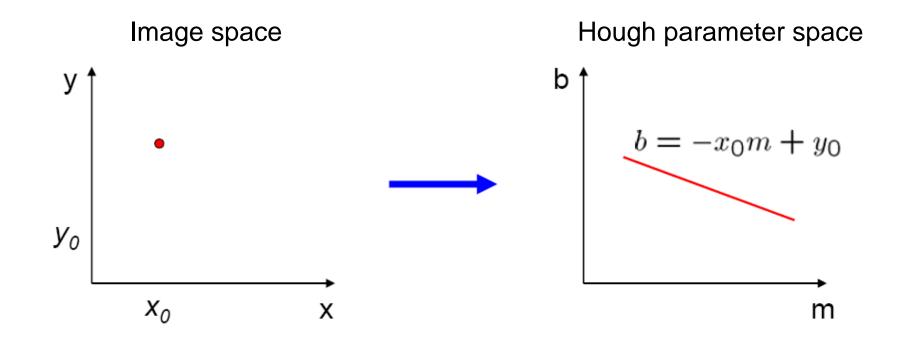
A line in the image corresponds to a point in Hough space



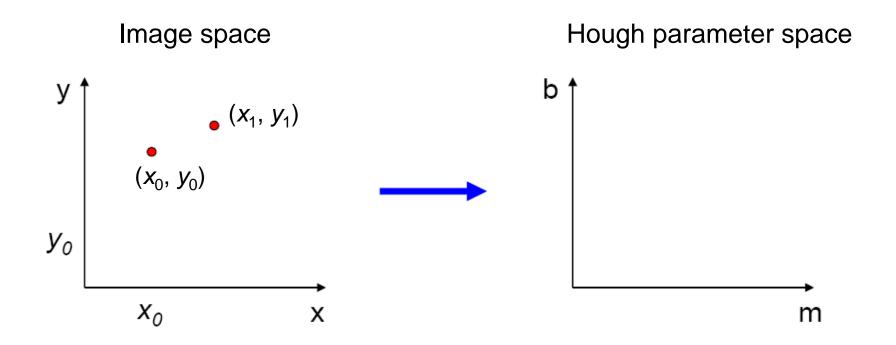
• What does a point  $(x_0, y_0)$  in the image space map to in the Hough space?



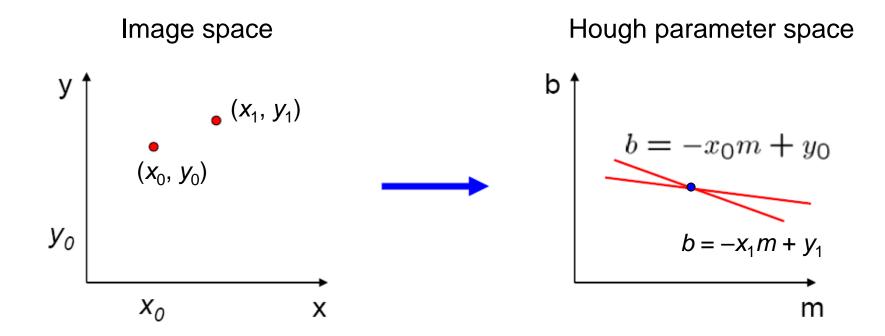
- What does a point  $(x_0, y_0)$  in the image space map to in the Hough space?
  - Answer: the solutions of  $b = -x_0 m + y_0$
  - This is a line in Hough space



• Where is the line that contains both  $(x_0, y_0)$  and  $(x_1, y_1)$ ?

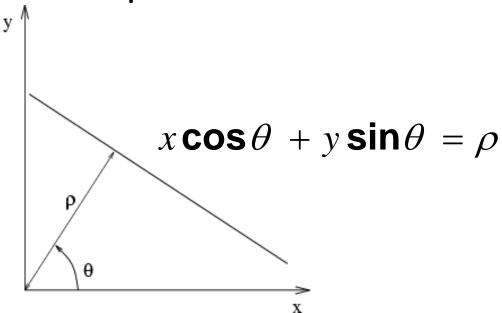


- Where is the line that contains both  $(x_0, y_0)$  and  $(x_1, y_1)$ ?
  - It is the intersection of the lines  $b = -x_0m + y_0$  and  $b = -x_1m + y_1$



- Problems with the (m,b) space:
  - Unbounded parameter domain
  - Vertical lines require infinite m

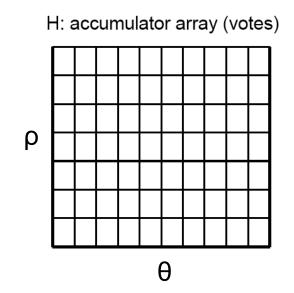
- Problems with the (m,b) space:
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  - Vertical lines require infinite m
- Alternative: polar representation



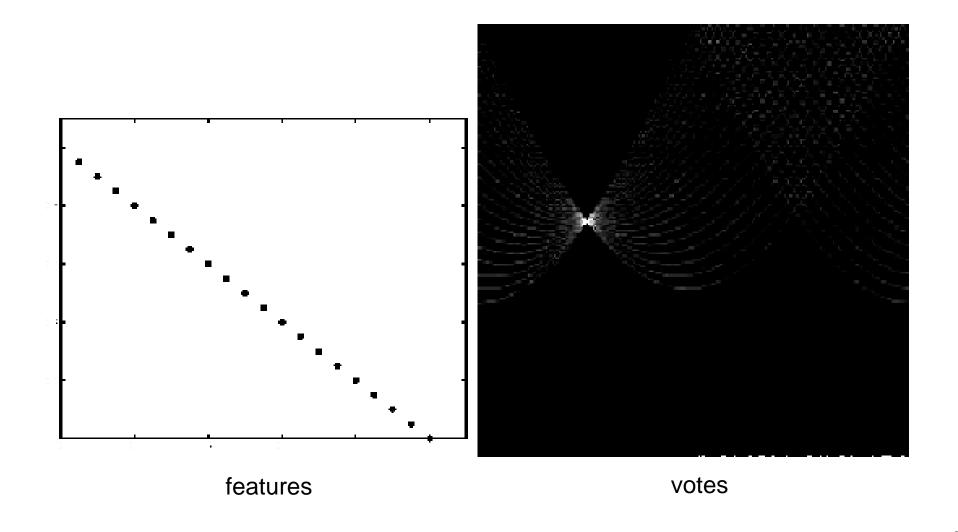
Each point will add a sinusoid in the  $(\theta, \rho)$  parameter space

#### Algorithm outline

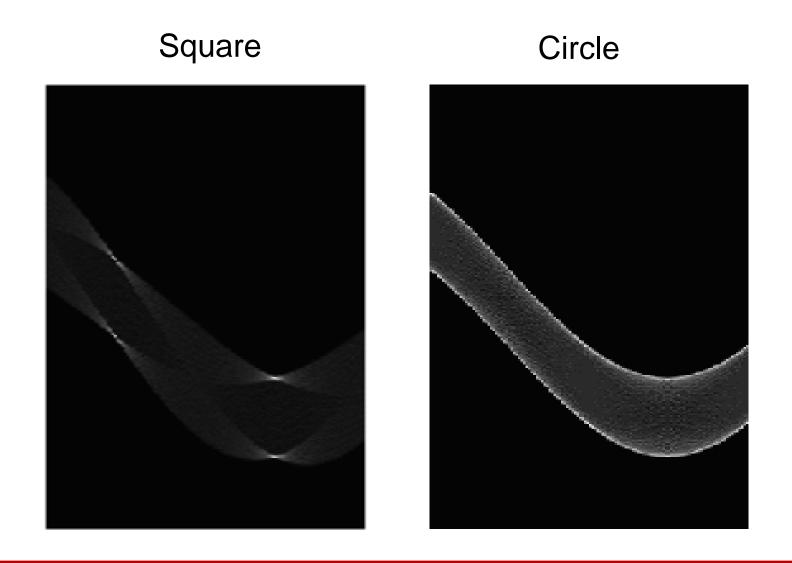
- Initialize accumulator H to all zeros
- For each edge point (x,y) in the image For  $\theta = 0$  to 180  $\rho = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$   $H(\theta, \rho) = H(\theta, \rho) + 1$ end
  end
- Find the value(s) of (θ, ρ) where H(θ, ρ) is a local maximum
  - The detected line in the image is given by  $\rho = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$



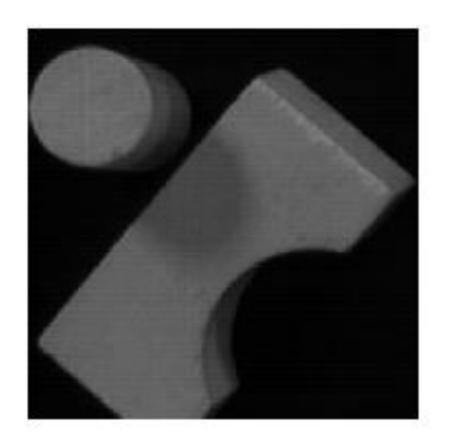
#### **Basic illustration**



## Other shapes

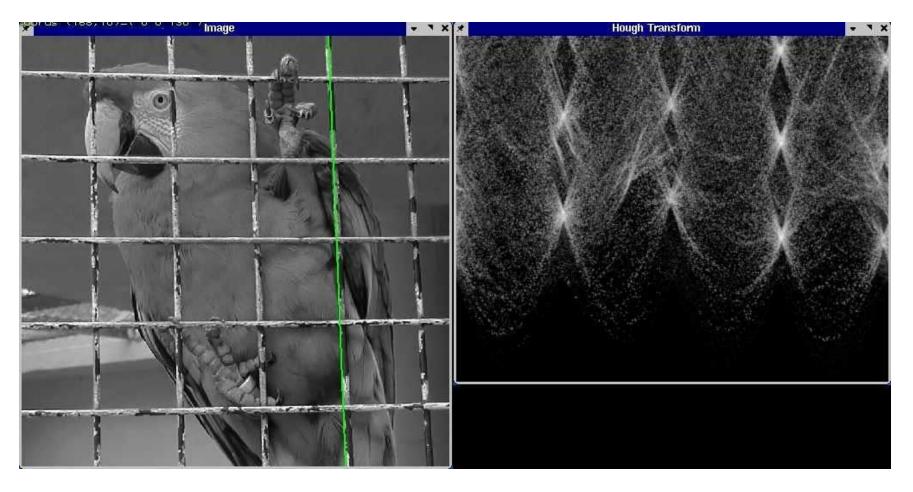


## **Several lines**



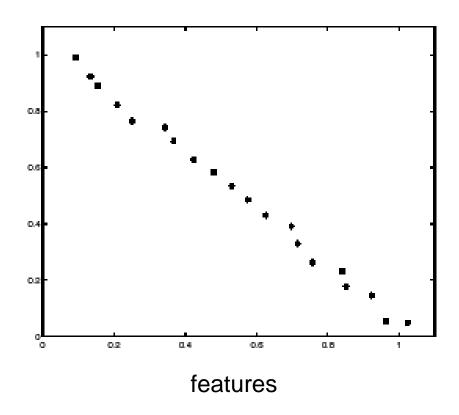


## A more complicated image

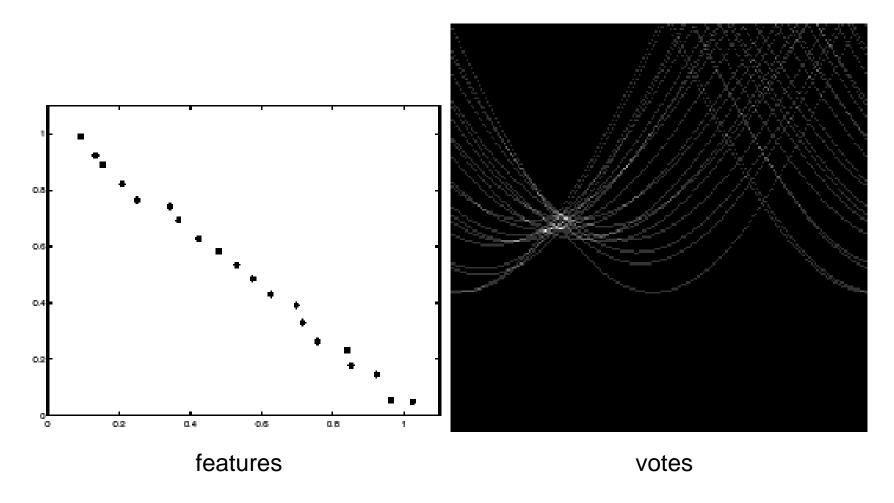


http://ostatic.com/files/images/ss\_hough.jpg

#### **Effect of noise**



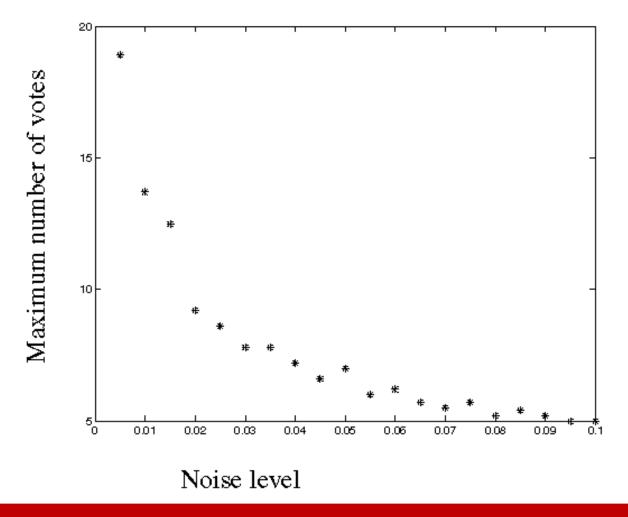
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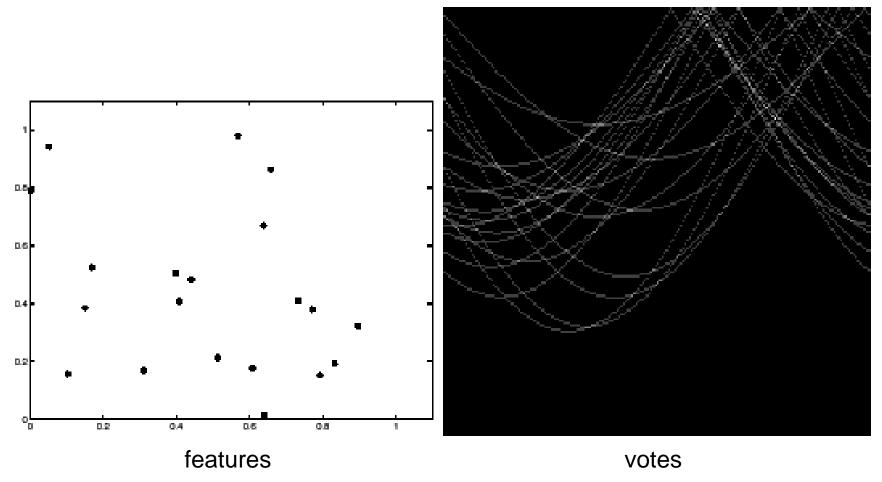
Peak gets fuzzy and hard to locate

#### **Effect of noise**

Number of votes for a line of 20 points with increasing noise:



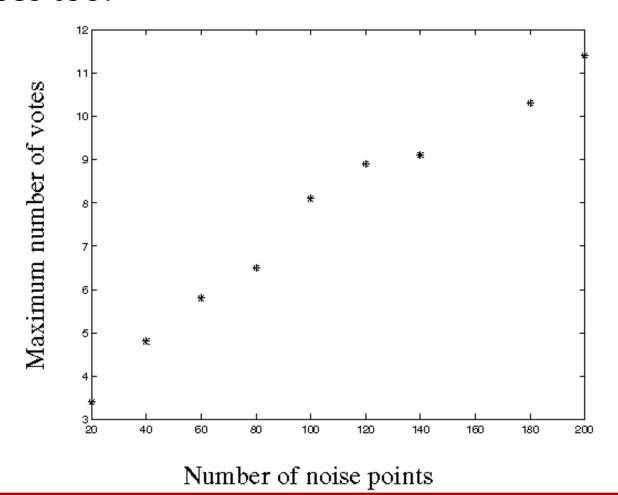
#### **Random points**



Uniform noise can lead to spurious peaks in the array

#### **Random points**

 As the level of uniform noise increases, the maximum number of votes increases too:



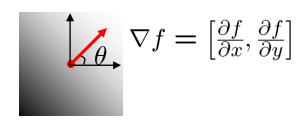
#### **Dealing with noise**

- Choose a good grid / discretization
  - Too coarse: large votes obtained when too many different lines correspond to a single bucket
  - Too fine: miss lines because some points that are not exactly collinear cast votes for different buckets
- Increment neighboring bins (smoothing in accumulator array)
- Try to get rid of irrelevant features
  - Take only edge points with significant gradient magnitude

## **Incorporating image gradients**

- Recall: when we detect an edge point, we also know its gradient direction
- But this means that the line is uniquely determined!
- Modified Hough transform:

For each edge point 
$$(x,y)$$
  
 $\theta$  = gradient orientation at  $(x,y)$   
 $\rho$  =  $x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$   
 $H(\theta, \rho) = H(\theta, \rho) + 1$   
end



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

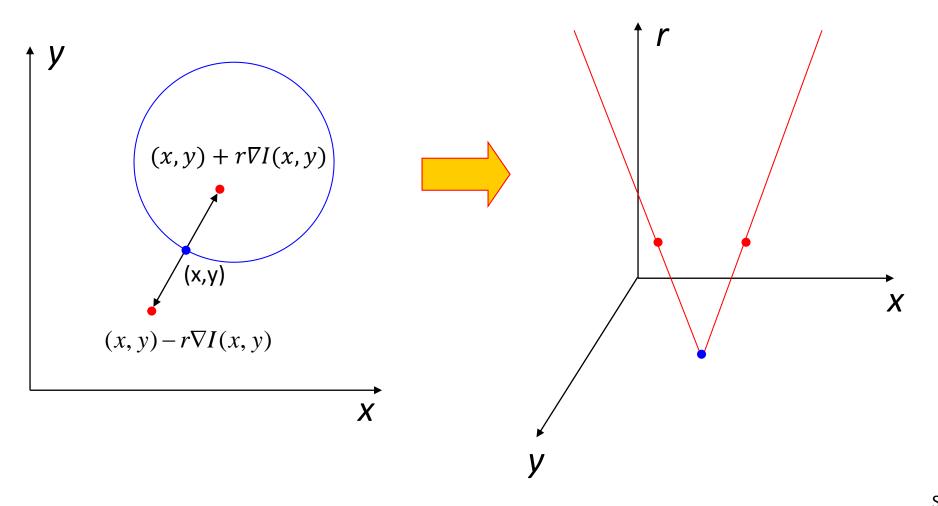
## Hough transform for circles

- How many dimensions will the parameter space have?
- Given an oriented edge point, what are all possible bins that it can vote for?

## Hough transform for circles

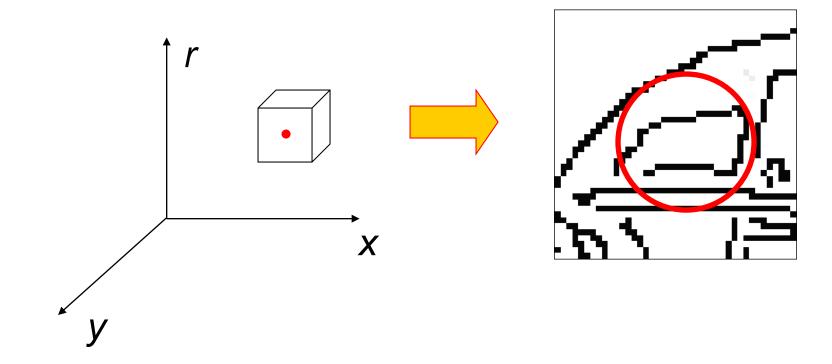
image space

Hough parameter space



#### Hough transform for circles

 Conceptually equivalent procedure: for each (x,y,r), draw the corresponding circle in the image and compute its "support"

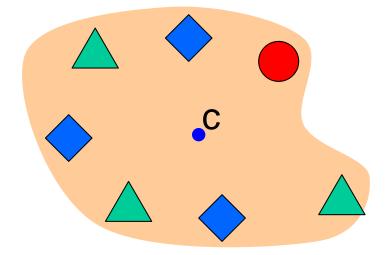


Is this more or less efficient than voting with features?

## **Generalized Hough transform**

 We want to find a template defined by its reference point (center) and several distinct types of landmark points in stable spatial configuration

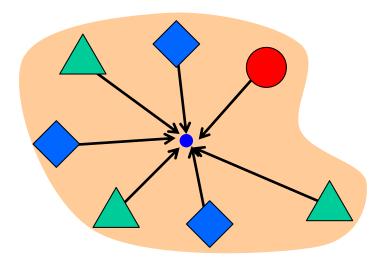
#### **Template**



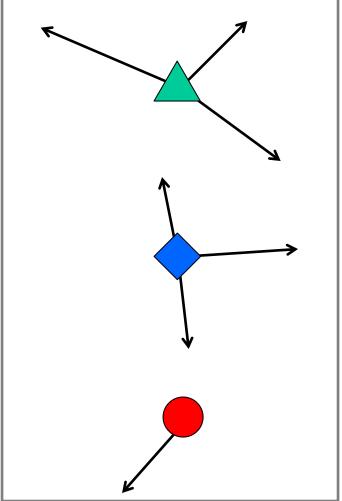
## **Generalized Hough transform**

 Template representation: for each type of landmark point, store all possible displacement vectors towards the center

**Template** 



#### Model

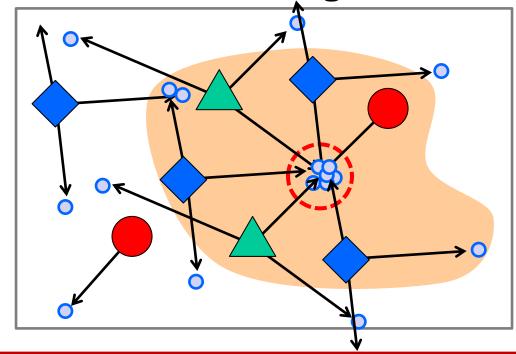


## **Generalized Hough transform**

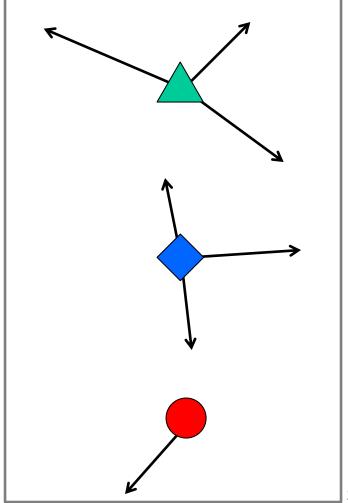
#### • Detecting the template:

 For each feature in a new image, look up that feature type in the model and vote for the possible center locations associated with that type in the model

#### **Test image**

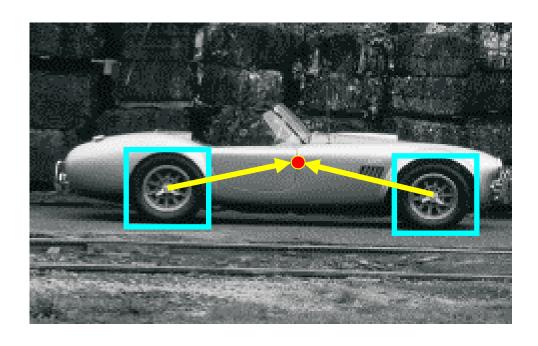


#### Model



#### **Application in recognition**

Index displacements by "visual codeword"





visual codeword with displacement vectors

training image

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Source: S. Lazebnik

#### Hough transform: Discussion

#### Pros

- Can deal with non-locality and occlusion
- Can detect multiple instances of a model
- Some robustness to noise: noise points unlikely to contribute consistently to any single bin

#### Cons

- Complexity of search time increases exponentially with the number of model parameters
- Non-target shapes can produce spurious peaks in parameter space
- It's hard to pick a good grid size
- Hough transform vs. RANSAC

#### **Fitting: Review**

- If we know which points belong to the line, how do we find the "optimal" line parameters?
  - Least squares
- What if there are outliers?
  - Robust fitting, RANSAC
- What if there are many lines?
  - Voting methods: RANSAC, Hough transform
- What if we're not even sure it's a line?
  - Model selection