

Geometric Transformations of Images

Goals

- Learn how to apply different geometric transformation to images like translation, rotation, affine transformation etc.
- You will learn these functions: [cv.resize](#), [cv.warpAffine](#), [cv.getAffineTransform](#) and [cv.warpPerspective](#)

Transformations

Scaling

Scaling is just resizing of the image. OpenCV comes with a function [cv.resize\(\)](#) for this purpose. The size of the image can be specified manually, or you can specify the scaling factor. Different interpolation methods are used. Preferable interpolation methods are [cv.INTER_AREA](#) for shrinking and [cv.INTER_CUBIC](#) (slow) & [cv.INTER_LINEAR](#) for zooming.

We use the function: [cv.resize \(src, dst, dsize, fx = 0, fy = 0, interpolation = cv.INTER_LINEAR\)](#)

Parameters

- src** input image
- dst** output image; it has the size dsize (when it is non-zero) or the size computed from src.size(), fx, and fy; the type of dst is the same as of src.
- dsize** output image size; if it equals zero, it is computed as:

$$\text{dsize} = \text{Size}(\text{round}(\text{fx} * \text{src.cols}), \text{round}(\text{fy} * \text{src.rows}))$$

Either dsize or both fx and fy must be non-zero.

- fx** scale factor along the horizontal axis; when it equals 0, it is computed as

$$(\text{double})\text{dsize.width}/\text{src.cols}$$

- fy** scale factor along the vertical axis; when it equals 0, it is computed as

$$(\text{double})\text{dsize.height}/\text{src.rows}$$

interpolation interpolation method(see [cv.InterpolationFlags](#))

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Affine Transform Example

<canvas> elements named **canvasInput** and **canvasOutput** have been prepared.

Click **Try it** button to see the result. You can choose another image.

You can change the code in the <textarea> to investigate more.

Try it

```
let src = cv.imread('canvasInput');
let dst = new cv.Mat();
let M = cv.matFromArray(2, 3, cv.CV_64FC1, [1, 0, 50, 0, 1, 100]);
let dsize = new cv.Size(src.rows, src.cols);
// You can try more different parameters
cv.warpAffine(src, dst, M, dsize, cv.INTER_LINEAR, cv.BORDER_CONSTANT, new cv.Scalar());
cv.imshow('canvasOutput', dst);
src.delete(); dst.delete(); M.delete();
```



Translation

Translation is the shifting of object's location. If you know the shift in (x,y) direction, let it be (t_x, t_y) , you can create the transformation matrix **M** as follows:

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

We use the function: **cv.warpAffine** (**src**, **dst**, **M**, **dsize**, **flags** = **cv.INTER_LINEAR**, **borderMode** = **cv.BORDER_CONSTANT**, **borderValue** = new **cv.Scalar()**)

Parameters

- src** input image.
- dst** output image that has the size dsize and the same type as src.
- Mat** 2×3 transformation matrix(cv.CV_64FC1 type).
- dsize** size of the output image.
- flags** combination of interpolation methods(see **cv.InterpolationFlags**) and the optional flag WARP_INVERSE_MAP that means that M is the inverse transformation (**dst**→**src**)
- borderMode** pixel extrapolation method (see **cv.BorderTypes**); when **borderMode** = **BORDER_TRANSPARENT**, it means that the pixels in the destination image corresponding to the "outliers" in the source image are not modified by the function.
- borderValue** value used in case of a constant border; by default, it is 0.

rows.

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Rotate Transform Example

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```
let src = cv.imread('canvasInput');
let dst = new cv.Mat();
let dsize = new cv.Size(src.rows, src.cols);
let center = new cv.Point(src.cols / 2, src.rows / 2);
// You can try more different parameters
let M = cv.getRotationMatrix2D(center, 45, 1);
cv.warpAffine(src, dst, M, dsize, cv.INTER_LINEAR, cv.BORDER_CONSTANT, new cv.Scalar());
cv.imshow('canvasOutput', dst);
src.delete(); dst.delete(); M.delete();
```



Rotation

Rotation of an image for an angle θ is achieved by the transformation matrix of the form

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

But OpenCV provides scaled rotation with adjustable center of rotation so that you can rotate at any location you prefer. Modified transformation matrix is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta & (1 - \alpha) \cdot center.x - \beta \cdot center.y \\ -\beta & \alpha & \beta \cdot center.x + (1 - \alpha) \cdot center.y \end{bmatrix}$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= scale \cdot \cos\theta, \\ \beta &= scale \cdot \sin\theta \end{aligned}$$

We use the function: **cv.getRotationMatrix2D** (**center**, **angle**, **scale**)

Parameters

center center of the rotation in the source image.

angle rotation angle in degrees. Positive values mean counter-clockwise rotation (the coordinate origin is assumed to be the top-left corner).

scale isotropic scale factor.

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Get Affine Transform Example

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```
let src = cv.imread('canvasInput');
let dst = new cv.Mat();
// (data32F[0], data32F[1]) is the first point
// (data32F[2], data32F[3]) is the sescond point
// (data32F[4], data32F[5]) is the third point
let srcTri = cv.matFromArray(3, 1, cv.CV_32FC2, [0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0]);
let dstTri = cv.matFromArray(3, 1, cv.CV_32FC2, [0.6, 0.2, 0.1, 1.3, 1.5, 0.3]);
let dsize = new cv.Size(src.rows, src.cols);
let M = cv.getAffineTransform(srcTri, dstTri);
```



Affine Transformation

In affine transformation, all parallel lines in the original image will still be parallel in the output image. To find the transformation matrix, we need three points from input image and their corresponding locations in output image. Then **cv.getAffineTransform** will create a 2x3 matrix which is to be passed to **cv.warpAffine**.

We use the function: **cv.getAffineTransform (src, dst)**

Parameters

src three points([3, 1] size and cv.CV_32FC2 type) from input imag.

dst three corresponding points([3, 1] size and cv.CV_32FC2 type) in output image.

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Perspectiv Transform Example

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Try it

```
let src = cv.imread('canvasInput');
let dst = new cv.Mat();
let dsize = new cv.Size(src.rows, src.cols);
// (data32F[0], data32F[1]) is the first point
// (data32F[2], data32F[3]) is the second point
// (data32F[4], data32F[5]) is the third point
// (data32F[6], data32F[7]) is the fourth point
let srcTri = cv.matFromArray(4, 1, cv.CV_32FC2, [56, 65, 368, 52, 28, 387, 389, 390]);
let dstTri = cv.matFromArray(4, 1, cv.CV_32FC2, [0, 0, 300, 0, 0, 300, 300, 300]);
```



Perspective Transformation

For perspective transformation, you need a 3x3 transformation matrix. Straight lines will remain straight even after the transformation. To find this transformation matrix, you need 4 points on the input image and corresponding points on the output image. Among these 4 points, 3 of them should not be collinear. Then transformation matrix can be found by the function **cv.getPerspectiveTransform**. Then apply **cv.warpPerspective** with this 3x3 transformation matrix.

We use the functions: **cv.warpPerspective** (**src**, **dst**, **M**, **dsize**, **flags** = **cv.INTER_LINEAR**, **borderMode** = **cv.BORDER_CONSTANT**, **borderValue** = **new cv.Scalar()**)

Parameters

- src** input image.
- dst** output image that has the size **dsize** and the same type as **src**.
- Mat** 3×3 transformation matrix(**cv.CV_64FC1** type).
- dsize** size of the output image.
- flags** combination of interpolation methods (**cv.INTER_LINEAR** or **cv.INTER_NEAREST**) and the optional flag **WARP_INVERSE_MAP**, that sets **M** as the inverse transformation (**dst**→**src**).
- borderMode** pixel extrapolation method (**cv.BORDER_CONSTANT** or **cv.BORDER_REPLICATE**).
- borderValue** value used in case of a constant border; by default, it is 0.

cv.getPerspectiveTransform (**src**, **dst**)

Parameters

- src** coordinates of quadrangle vertices in the source image.
- dst** coordinates of the corresponding quadrangle vertices in the destination image.

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Perspectiv Transform Example

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Try it

```
let src = cv.imread('canvasInput');
let dst = new cv.Mat();
let dsize = new cv.Size(src.rows, src.cols);
// (data32F[0], data32F[1]) is the first point
// (data32F[2], data32F[3]) is the second point
// (data32F[4], data32F[5]) is the third point
// (data32F[6], data32F[7]) is the fourth point
let srcTri = cv.matFromArray(4, 1, cv.CV_32FC2, [56, 65, 368, 52, 28, 387, 389, 390]);
let dstTri = cv.matFromArray(4, 1, cv.CV_32FC2, [0, 0, 300, 0, 0, 300, 300, 300]);
```

