HW4

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1 CSE 252A Computer Vision I Fall 2019 - Homework 4

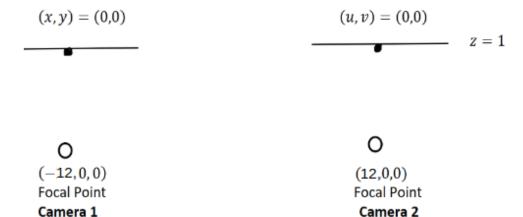
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- 1.1.2 Due on: Tuesday, November 19, 2019 11:59 pm

1.2 Instructions

- Review the academic integrity and collaboration policies on the course website.
 - This assignment must be completed individually.
- All solutions must be written in this notebook.
 - This includes the theoretical problems, for which you **must** write your answers in Markdown cells (using LaTeX when appropriate).
 - Programming aspects of the assignment must be completed using Python in this notebook.
- If you want to modify the skeleton code, you may do so. It has only been provided as a framework for your solution.
- You may use Python packages (such as NumPy and SciPy) for basic linear algebra, but you may not use packages that directly solve the problem.
 - If you are unsure about using a specific package or function, then ask the instructor and/or teaching assistants for clarification.
- You must submit this notebook exported as a PDF. You must also submit this notebook as .ipynb file.
 - Submit both files (.pdf and .ipynb) on Gradescope.
 - You must mark the PDF pages associated with each question in Gradescope. If you fail to do so, we may dock points.
- It is highly recommended that you begin working on this assignment early.
- Late policy: assignments submitted late will receive a 15% grade reduction for each 12 hours late (i.e., 30% per day). Assignments will not be accepted 72 hours after the due date. If you require an extension (for personal reasons only) to a due date, you must request one as far in advance as possible. Extensions requested close to or after the due date will only be granted for clear emergencies or clearly unforeseeable circumstances.

1.3 Problem 1: Epipolar Geometry [4 pts]

Consider two cameras whose image planes are the z=1 plane, and whose focal points are at (-12, 0, 0) and (12, 0, 0). We''ll call a point in the first camera (x, y), and a point in the second camera (u, v). Points in each camera are relative to the camera center. So, for example if (x, y) = (0, 0), this is really the point (-12, 0, 1) in world coordinates, while if (u, v) = (0, 0) this is the point (12, 0, 1).



- a) Suppose the points (x, y) = (8, 7) is matched to the point (u, v) = (2, 7). What is the 3D location of this point?
- b) Compute the Essential Matrix.
- c) Consider points that lie on the line x + z = 2, y = 0. Use the same stereo set up as before. Write an analytic expression giving the disparity of a point on this line after it projects onto the two images, as a function of its position in the right image. So your expression should only involve the variables u and d (for disparity). Your expression only needs to be valid for points on the line that are in front of the cameras, i.e. with z > 1.

1.4 Problem 2: Epipolar Rectification [4 pts]

In stereo vision, image rectification is a common preprocessing step to simplify the problem of finding matching points between images. The goal is to warp image views such that the epipolar lines are horizontal scan lines of the input images. Suppose that we have captured two images I_A and I_B from identical calibrated cameras separated by a rigid transformation

$$_{A}^{B}T = \begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ 0^{T} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $t = [t_{x}, t_{y}, t_{z}]$

Without loss of generality assume that camera A's optical center is positioned at the origin and that its optical axis is in the direction of the z-axis.

From the lecture, a rectifying transform for each image should map the epipole to a point infinitely far away in the horizontal direction $H_A e_A = H_B e_B = [1,0,0]^T$. Consider the following special cases:

- a) Pure horizontal translation $t = [t_x, 0, 0]^T$, R = I
- b) Pure translation orthogonal to the optical axis $t = [t_x, t_y, 0]^T$, R = I

- c) Pure translation along the optical axis $t = [0, 0, t_z]^T$, R = I
- d) Pure rotation $t = [0,0,0]^T$, R is an arbitrary rotation matrix

For each of these cases, determine whether or not epipolar rectification is possible. Include the following information for each case:

- (i) The epipoles e_A and e_B
- (ii) The equation of the epipolar line l_B in I_B corresponding to the point $[x_A, y_A, 1]^T$ in I_A (if one exists)
- (iii) A plausible solution to the rectifying transforms H_A and H_B (if one exists) that attempts to minimize distortion (is as close as possible to a 2D rigid transformation). Note that the above 4 cases are special cases; a simple solution should become apparent by looking at the epipolar lines.

One or more of the above rigid transformations may be a degenerate case where rectification is not possible or epipolar geometry does not apply. If so, explain why.

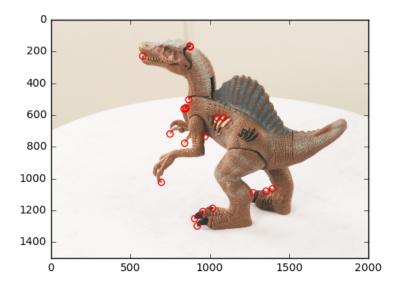
1.5 Problem 3: Sparse Stereo Matching [32 pts]

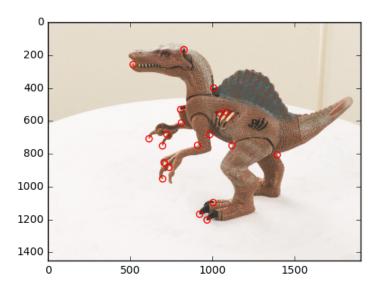
In this problem we will play around with sparse stereo matching methods. You will work on two image pairs, a warrior figure and a figure from the Matrix movies. These files both contain two images, two camera matrices, and two sets of corresponding points (extracted by manually clicking the images). For illustration, I have run my code on a third image pair (dino1.png, dino2.png). This data is also provided for you to debug your code, but **you should only report results on warrior and matrix**. In other words, where I include one (or a pair) of images in the assignment below, you will provide the same thing but for BOTH matrix and warrior. Note that the matrix image pair is harder, in the sense that the matching algorithms we are implementing will not work quite as well. You should expect good results, however, on warrior.

1.5.1 Corner Detection [8 pts]

The first thing we need to do is to build a corner detector. This should be done according to http://cseweb.ucsd.edu/classes/fa19/cse252A-a/lec7.pdf. You should fill in the function corner_detect below, and take as input corner_detect(image, nCorners, smoothSTD, windowSize) where smoothSTD is the standard deviation of the smoothing kernel and windowSize is the window size for corner detector and non maximum suppression. In the lecture the corner detector was implemented using a hard threshold. Do not do that but instead return the nCorners strongest corners after non-maximum suppression. This way you can control exactly how many corners are returned. Run your code on all four images (with nCorners = 20) and show outputs as shown below. You may find scipy.ndimage.filters.gaussian_filter easy to use for smoothing. In this problem, try the following different standard deviation (σ) parameters for the Gausian smoothing kernel: 0.5, 1, 2 and 4. For a particular σ , you should take the kernel size to be 6 × σ (add 1 if the kernel size is even). So for example if $\sigma = 2$, corner detection kernel size should be 13. This should be followed throughtout all experiments in this assignment.

There will be a total of 16 images as outputs : (4 choices of smoothSTD x 2 matrix imgs x 2 warrior imgs).





Comment on your results and observations (3/8 points). You don't need to comment per output, just **discuss** any trends you see for the detected corners as you change the windowSize and increase the smoothing w.r.t the two pair of images warrior and matrix. Also discuss if you are able to find corresponding corners for same pair of images.

```
return np.dot(rgb[...,:3], [0.299, 0.587, 0.114])
In [18]: def corner_detect(image, nCorners, smoothSTD, windowSize):
             """Detect corners on a given image.
             Args:
                 image: Given a grayscale image on which to detect corners.
                 nCorners: Total number of corners to be extracted.
                 smoothSTD: Standard deviation of the Gaussian smoothing kernel.
                 windowSize: Window size for corner detector and non maximum suppression.
             Returns:
                 Detected corners (in image coordinate) in a numpy array (n*2).
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             Put your awesome numpy powered code here:
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             corners = np.zeros((nCorners, 2))
             return corners
In [19]: def show_corners_result(imgs, corners):
             fig = plt.figure(figsize=(15, 15))
             ax1 = fig.add_subplot(221)
             ax1.imshow(imgs[0], cmap='gray')
             ax1.scatter(corners[0][:, 0], corners[0][:, 1], s=36, edgecolors='r',\
                         facecolors='none')
             ax2 = fig.add_subplot(222)
             ax2.imshow(imgs[1], cmap='gray')
             ax2.scatter(corners[1][:, 0], corners[1][:, 1], s=36, edgecolors='r',\
                         facecolors='none')
             plt.show()
In [ ]: # detect corners on warrior and matrix image sets
        # adjust your corner detection parameters here
        nCorners = 20
        smoothSTDs = [0.5, 1, 2, 4]
        imgs mat = []
        imgs war = []
        grayimgs_mat = []
        grayimgs_war = []
        # Read the two images and convert it to Greyscale
        for i in range(2):
            img_mat = imageio.imread('p4/matrix/matrix' + str(i) + '.png')
            imgs_mat.append(img_mat)
            grayimgs_mat.append(rgb2gray(img_mat))
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# Comment above line and uncomment below line to
    # downsize your image in case corner_detect runs slow in test
    #qrayimqs_mat.append(rqb2qray(imq_mat)[::2, ::2])
    # if you unleash the power of numpy you wouldn't need to downsize, it'll be fast
    img war = imageio.imread('p4/warrior/warrior' + str(i) + '.png')
    imgs_war.append(img_war)
    grayimgs_war.append(rgb2gray(img_war))
for smoothSTD in smoothSTDs:
    windowSize = int(6*smoothSTD)
    if windowSize%2==0: windowSize += 1
    crns_mat = []
    crns_war = []
   print ("SmoothSTD:", smoothSTD, "WindowSize:", windowSize)
    for i in range(2):
        crns_mat.append(corner_detect(grayimgs_mat[i], nCorners, smoothSTD,\
                                      windowSize))
        crns_war.append(corner_detect(grayimgs_war[i], nCorners, smoothSTD,\
                                      windowSize))
    #show corners result(imgs mat, crns mat) #uncomment this to show your output!
    #show corners result(imgs war, crns war)
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1.5.2 NCC (Normalized Cross-Correlation) Matching [2 pts]

Write a function ncc_match that implements the NCC matching algorithm for two input windows. NCC = $\sum_{i,j} \tilde{W}_1(i,j) \cdot \tilde{W}_2(i,j)$ where $\tilde{W} = \frac{W - \overline{W}}{\sqrt{\sum_{k,l} (W(k,l) - \overline{W})^2}}$ is a mean-shifted and normalized version of the window and \overline{W} is the mean pixel value in the window W.

```
In [6]: def ncc_match(img1, img2, c1, c2, R):
    """Compute NCC given two windows.

Args:
    img1: Image 1.
    img2: Image 2.
    c1: Center (in image coordinate) of the window in image 1.
    c2: Center (in image coordinate) of the window in image 2.
    R: R is the radius of the patch, 2 * R + 1 is the window size

Returns:
    NCC matching score for two input windows.

"""

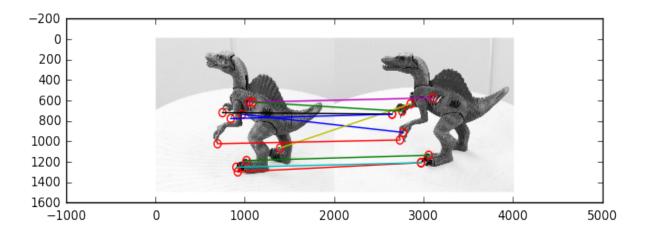
Your code here:
    """

matching_score = 0
return matching_score
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In []: # test NCC match
    img1 = np.array([[1, 2, 3, 4], [4, 5, 6, 8], [7, 8, 9, 4]])
    img2 = np.array([[1, 2, 1, 3], [6, 5, 4, 4], [9, 8, 7, 3]])
    print (ncc_match(img1, img2, np.array([1, 1]), np.array([1, 1]), 1))
    # should print 0.8546
    print (ncc_match(img1, img2, np.array([2, 1]), np.array([2, 1]), 1))
    # should print 0.8457
    print (ncc_match(img1, img2, np.array([1, 1]), np.array([2, 1]), 1))
    # should print 0.6258
```

1.5.3 Naive Matching [4 pts]

Equipped with the corner detector and the NCC matching function, we are ready to start finding correspondances. One naive strategy is to try and find the best match between the two sets of corner points. Write a script that does this, namely, for each corner in image1, find the best match from the detected corners in image2 (or, if the NCC match score is too low, then return no match for that point). You will have to figure out a good threshold (NCCth) value by experimentation. Write a function naive_matching and call it as below. Examine your results for 10, 20, and 30 detected corners in each image. Choose a number of detected corners to the maximize the number of correct matching pairs. naive_matching will call your NCC matching code.



Properly label or mention which output corresponds to which choice of number of corners. Total number of output is 6 images (3 choice of number of corners for each matrix and warrior), where one image is like above.

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In [10]: def naive_matching(img1, img2, corners1, corners2, R, NCCth):
    """Compute NCC given two windows.

Args:
    img1: Image 1.
    img2: Image 2.
    corners1: Corners in image 1 (nx2)
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corners2: Corners in image 2 (nx2)
                 R: NCC matching radius
                 NCCth: NCC matching score threshold
             Returns:
                 NCC matching result a list of tuple (c1, c2),
                 c1 is the 1x2 corner location in image 1,
                 c2 is the 1x2 corner location in image 2.
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             Your code here:
             matching = []
             return matching
In [11]: # You are free to modify code here, create your helper functions etc.
         # detect corners on warrior and matrix sets
         nCorners = 20 # Do this for 10, 20 and 30 corners
         smoothSTD = 2
         windowSize = 13
         # read images and detect corners on images
         imgs_mat = []
         crns_mat = []
         imgs_war = []
         crns_war = []
         for i in range(2):
             img_mat = imageio.imread('p4/matrix/matrix' + str(i) + '.png')
             imgs_mat.append(rgb2gray(img_mat))
             # downsize your image in case corner_detect runs slow in test
             # imgs mat.append(rqb2gray(img mat)[::2, ::2])
             crns_mat.append(corner_detect(imgs_mat[i], nCorners, smoothSTD, windowSize))
             img_war = imageio.imread('p4/warrior/warrior' + str(i) + '.png')
             imgs_war.append(rgb2gray(img_war))
             # imgs_war.append(rgb2gray(img_war)[::2, ::2])
             crns_war.append(corner_detect(imgs_war[i], nCorners, smoothSTD, windowSize))
In [11]: # match corners
         R = 15
         NCCth = 0.7 # Put your threshold
         matching_mat = naive_matching(imgs_mat[0]/255, imgs_mat[1]/255, crns_mat[0],\
                                       crns_mat[1], R, NCCth)
         matching_war = naive_matching(imgs_war[0]/255, imgs_war[1]/255, crns_war[0],\
                                        crns war[1], R, NCCth)
In [12]: # plot matching result
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1.5.4 Epipolar Geometry [4 pts]

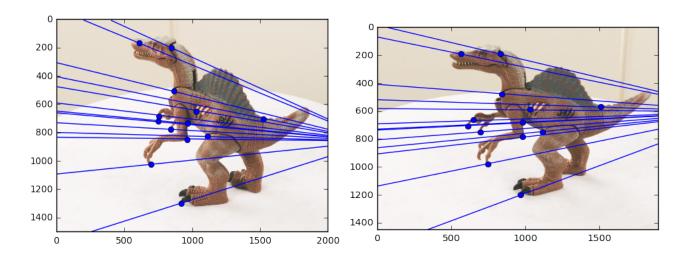
Complete the compute_fundamental function below using 8 point algorithm described in Lecture 8. Using the fundamental_matrix function and the corresponding points provided in cor1.npy and cor2.npy, calculate the fundamental matrix for the set of matrix and warrior image. Note that the normalization of the corner point is handled in the fundamental_matrix function.

```
In [21]: import numpy as np
         from scipy.misc import imread
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         from scipy.io import loadmat
         def compute_fundamental(x1,x2):
                     Computes the fundamental matrix from corresponding points
                  (x1,x2 3*n arrays) using the 8 point algorithm.
                 Each row in the A matrix below is constructed as
                 [x'*x, x'*y, x', y'*x, y'*y, y', x, y, 1]
                 Returns:
                 Fundamental Matrix (3x3)
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             Your code here
             n = x1.shape[1]
             if x2.shape[1] != n:
                 raise ValueError("Number of points don't match.")
             # return your F matrix
             pass
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def fundamental_matrix(x1,x2):
    # Normalization of the corner points is handled here
    n = x1.shape[1]
    if x2.shape[1] != n:
        raise ValueError("Number of points don't match.")
    # normalize image coordinates
    x1 = x1 / x1[2]
    mean_1 = np.mean(x1[:2],axis=1)
    S1 = np.sqrt(2) / np.std(x1[:2])
    T1 = np.array([[S1,0,-S1*mean_1[0]],[0,S1,-S1*mean_1[1]],[0,0,1]])
    x1 = np.dot(T1,x1)
    x2 = x2 / x2[2]
    mean_2 = np.mean(x2[:2],axis=1)
    S2 = np.sqrt(2) / np.std(x2[:2])
    T2 = np.array([[S2,0,-S2*mean_2[0]],[0,S2,-S2*mean_2[1]],[0,0,1]])
    x2 = np.dot(T2,x2)
    # compute F with the normalized coordinates
    F = compute_fundamental(x1,x2)
    # reverse normalization
    F = np.dot(T1.T,np.dot(F,T2))
    return F/F[2,2]
```

1.5.5 Plot Epipolar Lines [5 pts]

Using this fundamental matrix, plot the epipolar lines in both image pairs across all images. For this part you may want to complete the function plot_epipolar_lines. Shown your result for matrix and warrior as the figure below.

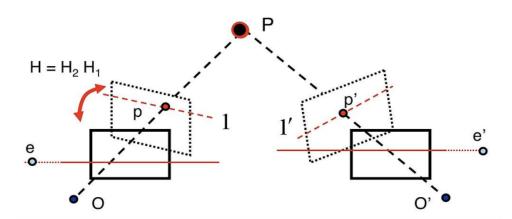


Also, write the script to calculate the epipoles for a given Fundamental matrix and corner point correspondences in the two images.

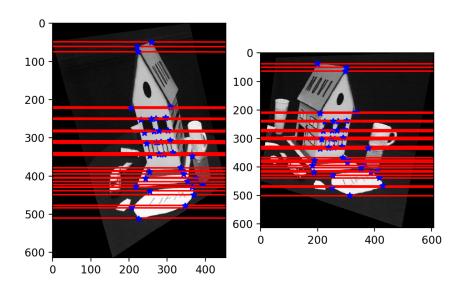
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In [13]: def compute_epipole(F):
             This function computes the epipoles for a given fundamental matrix
             and corner point correspondences
             input:
             F--> Fundamental matrix
             output:
             e1--> corresponding epipole in image 1
             e2--> epipole in image2
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             #your code here
             return e1,e2
In [14]: def plot_epipolar_lines(img1,img2, cor1, cor2):
             """Plot epipolar lines on image given image, corners
             Args:
                 img1: Image 1.
                 img2: Image 2.
                 cor1: Corners in homogeneous image coordinate in image 1 (3xn)
                 cor2: Corners in homogeneous image coordinate in image 2 (3xn)
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             11 11 11
             Your code here:
             11 11 11
In [15]: # replace images and corners with those of matrix and warrior
         imgids = ["dino", "matrix", "warrior"]
         for imgid in imgids:
             I1 = imageio.imread("./p4/"+imgid+"/"+imgid+"0.png")
             I2 = imageio.imread("./p4/"+imgid+"/"+imgid+"1.png")
             cor1 = np.load("./p4/"+imgid+"/cor1.npy")
             cor2 = np.load("./p4/"+imgid+"/cor2.npy")
             plot_epipolar_lines(I1,I2,cor1,cor2)
```

1.5.6 Image Rectification [5 pts]

An interesting case for epipolar geometry occurs when two images are parallel to each other. In this case, there is no rotation component involved between the two images and the essential matrix is $\mathbf{E} = [T_x]R = [T_x]$. Also if you observe the epipolar lines \mathbf{l} and \mathbf{l}' for parallel images, they are horizontal and consequently, the corresponding epipolar lines share the same vertical coordinate. Therefore the process of making images parallel becomes useful while discerning the relationships between corresponding points in images. Rectifying a pair of images can also be done for uncalibrated camera images (i.e. we do not require the camera matrix of intrinsic parameters). Using the fundamental matrix we can find the pair of epipolar lines \mathbf{l}_i and \mathbf{l}'_i for each of the correspondences. The intersection of these lines will give us the respective epipoles \mathbf{e} and \mathbf{e}' . Now to make the epipolar lines to be parallel we need to map the epipoles to infinity. Hence , we need to find a homography that maps the epipoles to infinity. The method to find the homography has been implemented for you. You can read more about the method used to estimate the homography in the paper "Theory and Practice of Projective Rectification" by Richard Hartley.



Using the compute_epipoles function from the previous part and the given compute_matching_homographies function, find the rectified images and plot the parallel epipolar lines using the plot_epipolar_lines function from above. You need to do this for both the matrix and the warrior images. A sample output will look as below:



In [16]: def compute_matching_homographies(e2, F, im2, points1, points2):

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'''This function computes the homographies to get the rectified images
input:
e2--> epipole in image 2
F--> the Fundamental matrix (Think about what you should be passing F or F.T!)
im2--> image2
points1 --> corner points in image1
points2--> corresponding corner points in image2
output:
H1--> Homography for image 1
H2--> Homography for image 2
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# calculate H2
width = im2.shape[1]
height = im2.shape[0]
T = np.identity(3)
T[0][2] = -1.0 * width / 2
T[1][2] = -1.0 * height / 2
e = T.dot(e2)
e1_prime = e[0]
e2_prime = e[1]
if e1_prime >= 0:
    alpha = 1.0
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else:
        alpha = -1.0
    R = np.identity(3)
    R[0][0] = alpha * e1_prime / np.sqrt(e1_prime**2 + e2_prime**2)
    R[0][1] = alpha * e2_prime / np.sqrt(e1_prime**2 + e2_prime**2)
    R[1][0] = - alpha * e2_prime / np.sqrt(e1_prime**2 + e2_prime**2)
    R[1][1] = alpha * e1_prime / np.sqrt(e1_prime**2 + e2_prime**2)
    f = R.dot(e)[0]
    G = np.identity(3)
    G[2][0] = -1.0 / f
    H2 = np.linalg.inv(T).dot(G.dot(R.dot(T)))
    # calculate H1
    e_prime = np.zeros((3, 3))
    e_{prime}[0][1] = -e2[2]
    e_{prime[0][2]} = e2[1]
    e_{prime}[1][0] = e2[2]
    e_{prime[1][2]} = -e2[0]
    e_{prime}[2][0] = -e2[1]
    e_{prime}[2][1] = e2[0]
    v = np.array([1, 1, 1])
    M = e_prime.dot(F) + np.outer(e2, v)
    points1_hat = H2.dot(M.dot(points1.T)).T
    points2_hat = H2.dot(points2.T).T
    W = points1_hat / points1_hat[:, 2].reshape(-1, 1)
    b = (points2_hat / points2_hat[:, 2].reshape(-1, 1))[:, 0]
    # least square problem
    a1, a2, a3 = np.linalg.lstsq(W, b)[0]
    HA = np.identity(3)
    HA[0] = np.array([a1, a2, a3])
    H1 = HA.dot(H2).dot(M)
    return H1, H2
def image_rectification(im1,im2,points1,points2):
    '''this function provides the rectified images along with the new
    corner points as outputs for a given pair of images with corner correspondences
    input:
    im1--> image1
    im2--> image2
    points1--> corner points in image1
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points2--> corner points in image2
outpu:
rectified_im1-->rectified image 1
rectified_im2-->rectified image 2
new_cor1--> new corners in the rectified image 1
new_cor2--> new corners in the rectified image 2
'''
"your code here"
return rectified_im1,rectified_im2,new_cor1,new_cor2
```

1.5.7 Matching Using epipolar geometry[4 pts]

We will now use the epipolar geometry constraint on the rectified images and updated corner points to build a better matching algorithm. First, detect 10 corners in Image1. Then, for each corner, do a linesearch along the corresponding parallel epipolar line in Image2. Evaluate the NCC score for each point along this line and return the best match (or no match if all scores are below the NCCth). R is the radius (size) of the NCC patch in the code below. You do not have to run this in both directions. Show your result as in the naive matching part. Execute this for the warrior and matrix images (**Total two outputs images**).

```
In [17]: def display_correspondence(img1, img2, corrs):
             """Plot matching result on image pair given images and correspondences
             Arqs:
                 img1: Image 1.
                 imq2: Image 2.
                 corrs: Corner correspondence
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             Your code here.
             You may refer to the show matching result function
         def correspondence_matching_epipole(img1, img2, corners1, F, R, NCCth):
             """Find corner correspondence along epipolar line.
             Arqs:
                 imq1: Image 1.
                 imq2: Image 2.
                 corners1: Detected corners in image 1.
                 F: Fundamental matrix calculated using given ground truth
                     corner correspondences.
                 R: NCC matching window radius.
                 NCCth: NCC matching threshold.
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Returns:
                 Matching result to be used in display_correspondence function
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             11 11 11
             Your code here.
In [ ]: I1 = imageio.imread("./p4/matrix/matrix0.png")
        I2 = imageio.imread("./p4/matrix/matrix1.png")
        cor1 = np.load("./p4/matrix/cor1.npy")
        cor2 = np.load("./p4/matrix/cor2.npy")
        I3 = imageio.imread("./p4/warrior/warrior0.png")
        I4 = imageio.imread("./p4/warrior/warrior1.png")
        cor3 = np.load("./p4/warrior/cor1.npy")
        cor4 = np.load("./p4/warrior/cor2.npy")
        # For matrix
        rectified_im1,rectified_im2,new_cor1,new_cor2 = image_rectification(I1,I2,cor1,cor2)
        F_new = fundamental_matrix(new_cor1, new_cor2)
        nCorners = 10
        # Choose your threshold
        NCCth = 0.7
        #decide the NCC matching window radius
        # detect corners using corner detector here, store in corners1
        corners1 = corner_detect(rectified_im1, nCorners, smoothSTD, windowSize)
        corrs = correspondence matching epipole(rectified im1, rectified im2, corners1,\)
                                                 F_new, R, NCCth)
        display_correspondence(rectified_im1, rectified_im2, corrs)
        # For warrior
        rectified_im3,rectified_im4,new_cor3,new_cor4 = image_rectification(I3,I4,cor3,cor4)
        F_new2=fundamental_matrix(new_cor3, new_cor4)
        # You may wish to change your NCCth and R for warrior here.
        corners2 = corner_detect(rectified_im3, nCorners, smoothSTD, windowSize)
        corrs = correspondence_matching_epipole(rectified_im3, rectified_im4, corners2,\)
                                                 F new2, R, NCCth)
        display_correspondence(rectified_im3, rectified_im4, corrs)
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