Computer Vision Project 3

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Check the attached SIFT program analyze computation times of the functions in computeKeypointsAndDescriptors().

For the slowest function, explain how you can speed it up.

By measuring time for each functions in ComputekeypointsAndDescriptors(), I came up with the results below.

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time, generateBaseImage : 0.0034 sec
time, generateBaseImage : 0.0000 sec
                                                    time, computeNumberOfOctaves : 0.0000 sec
time, computeNumberOfOctaves : 0.0000 sec
                                                    time, generateGaussianKernels: 0.0000 sec
time, generateGaussianKernels: 0.0000 sec
                                                    time, generateGaussianImages: 0.0210 sec
time, generateGaussianImages : 0.0155 sec
                                                   time, generateDoGImages: 0.0100 sec
time, generateDoGImages : 0.0030 sec
                                                   time, findScalesSpaceExtrema : 25.4102 sec
time, findScalesSpaceExtrema : 13.8946 sec
time, removeDuplicateKeypoints : 0.0070 sec
                                                    time, removeDuplicateKeypoints: 0.0030 sec
time, convertKeypointsToInputImageSize : 0.0020 sec time, convertKeypointsToInputImageSize : 0.0030 sec
time, generateDescriptors : 24.2664 sec
                                                    time, generateDescriptors : 39.6118 sec
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To speed up this SIFT program, it is obvious that findScalesSpaceExtrema and generateDescriptors functions must be more fast.

findScalesSpaceExtrema is a function to acquire scale-invariant keypoints. To speed up this function we can reduce the number of octaves to reduce calculation of DOG and reduce number of scale levels to reduce the search time of local extrema.

generateDescriptors function builds histogram for orientation normalization. To speed up this function we can reduce the size of window to deal with less pixels and reduce histogram size, or we can reduce parameter 'scale_multiplier' to reduce the histogram size.