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Computer Vision and Applications

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Lecture 7: Features and Geometry

- Affine invariant features
- Epipolar geometry
- Essential matrix

Readings: Mikolajczyk and Schmid; F&P Ch 10

Last time

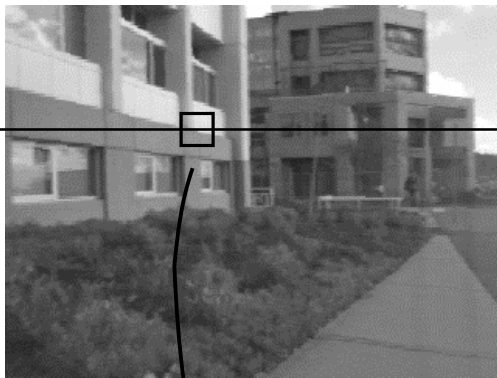
Interesting points, correspondence, affine patch tracking

Scale and rotation invariant descriptors [Lowe]

Images as Vectors

Left

Right



“Unwrap”
image to form
vector, using
raster scan order

Each window is a vector
in an m^2 dimensional
vector space.
Normalization makes
them unit length.

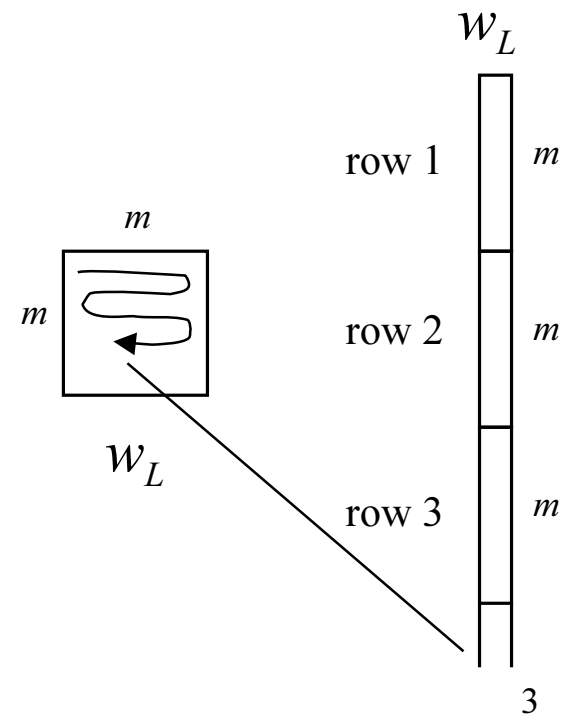
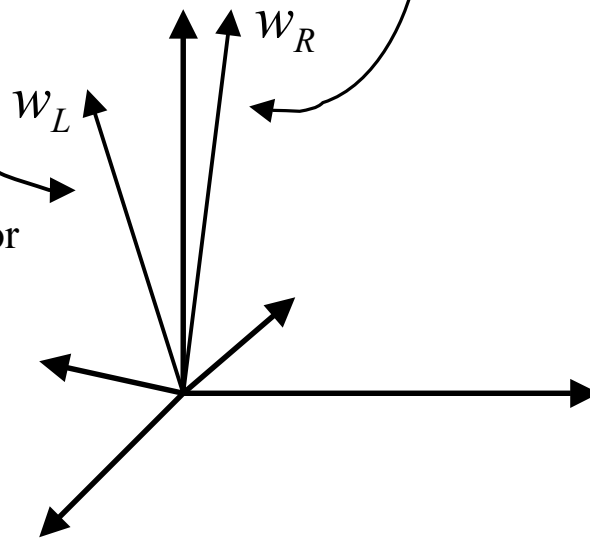
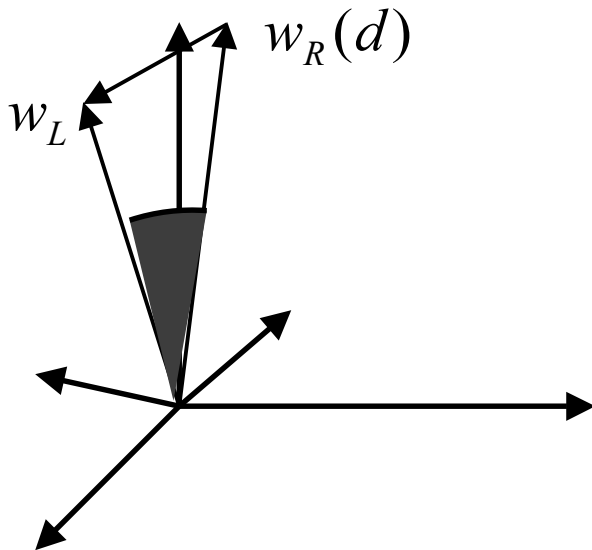


Image Metrics



(Normalized) Sum of Squared Differences

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\text{SSD}}(d) &= \sum_{(u,v) \in W_m(x,y)} [\hat{I}_L(u,v) - \hat{I}_R(u-d,v)]^2 \\ &= \|w_L - w_R(d)\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Normalized Correlation

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\text{NC}}(d) &= \sum_{(u,v) \in W_m(x,y)} \hat{I}_L(u,v) \hat{I}_R(u-d,v) \\ &= w_L \cdot w_R(d) = \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$d^* = \arg \min_d \|w_L - w_R(d)\|^2 = \arg \max_d w_L \cdot w_R(d)$$

Harris detector

Auto-correlation matrix

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \Delta x & \Delta y \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{(x_k, y_k) \in W} (I_x(x_k, y_k))^2 & \sum_{(x_k, y_k) \in W} I_x(x_k, y_k) I_y(x_k, y_k) \\ \sum_{(x_k, y_k) \in W} I_x(x_k, y_k) I_y(x_k, y_k) & \sum_{(x_k, y_k) \in W} (I_y(x_k, y_k))^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta x \\ \Delta y \end{pmatrix}$$

- Auto-correlation matrix
 - captures the structure of the local neighborhood
 - measure based on eigenvalues of this matrix
 - 2 strong eigenvalues \Rightarrow interest point
 - 1 strong eigenvalue \Rightarrow contour
 - 0 eigenvalue \Rightarrow uniform region
- Interest point detection
 - threshold on the eigenvalues
 - local maximum for localization

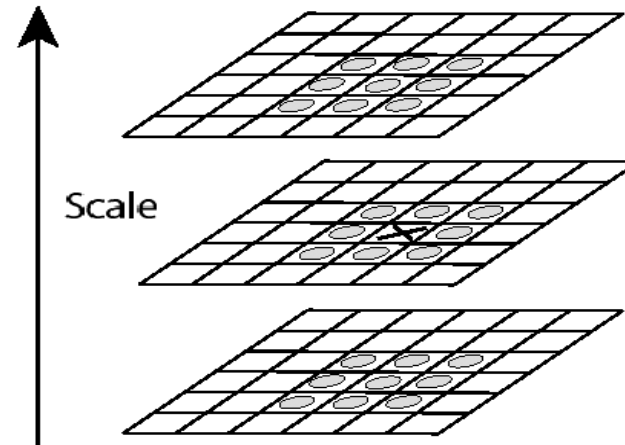
Key point localization

- Detect maxima and minima of difference-of-Gaussian in scale space
- Fit a quadratic to surrounding values for sub-pixel and sub-scale interpolation (Brown & Lowe, 2002)
- Taylor expansion around point:

$$D(\mathbf{x}) = D + \frac{\partial D}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \frac{\partial^2 D}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2} \mathbf{x}$$

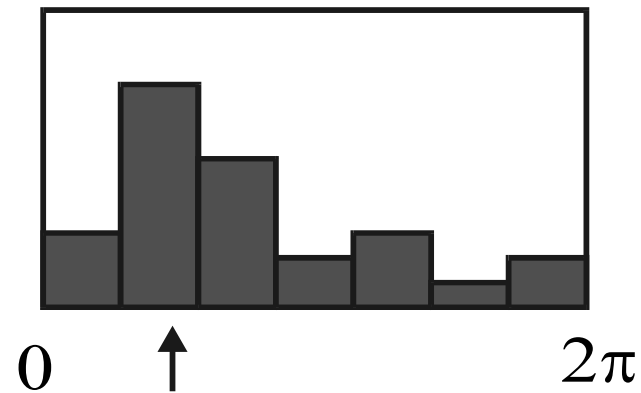
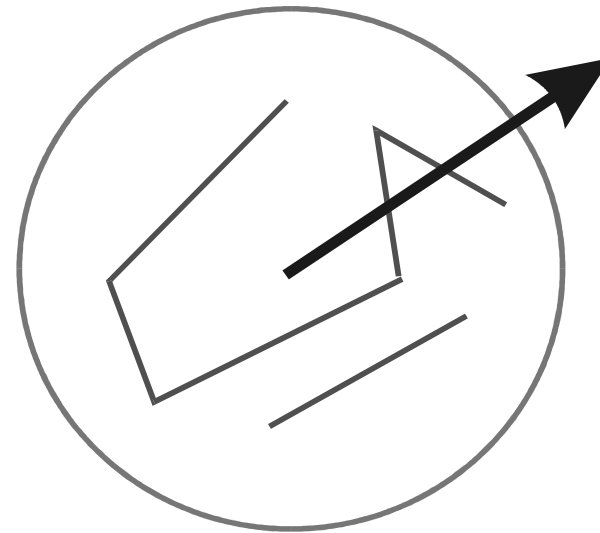
- Offset of extremum (use finite differences for derivatives):

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = -\frac{\partial^2 D^{-1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2} \frac{\partial D}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$



Select canonical orientation

- Create histogram of local gradient directions computed at selected scale
- Assign canonical orientation at peak of smoothed histogram
- Each key specifies stable 2D coordinates (x, y, scale, orientation)



SIFT vector formation

- Thresholded image gradients are sampled over 16x16 array of locations in scale space
- Create array of orientation histograms
- 8 orientations x 4x4 histogram array = 128 dimensions

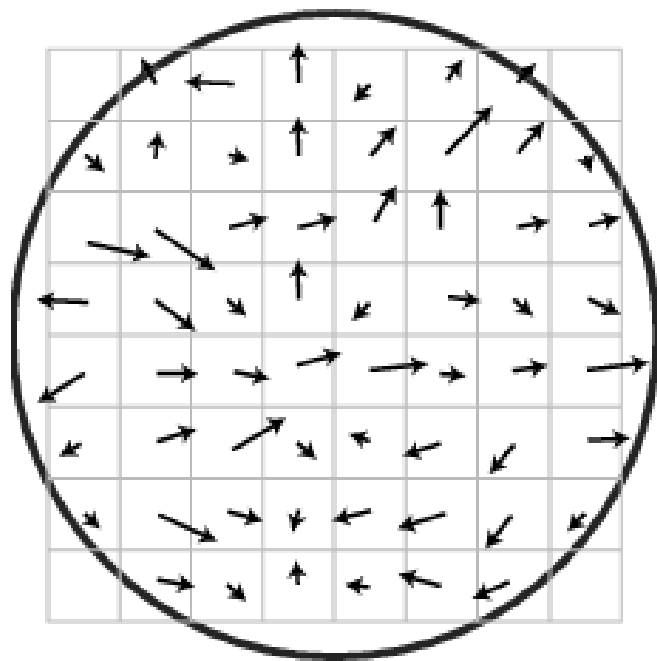
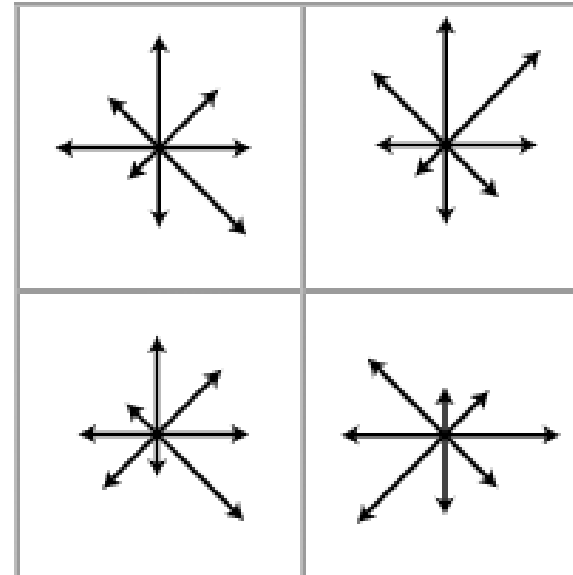


Image gradients



Keypoint descriptor

Today

Affine Invariant Interest points [Schmid]

Evaluation of interest points and descriptors
[Schmid]

Epipolar geometry and the Essential Matrix

Affine invariance of interest points

Cordelia Schmid

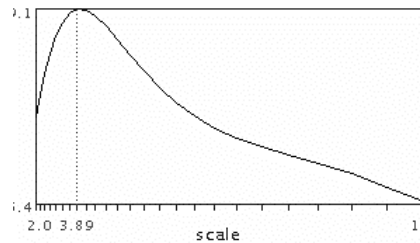
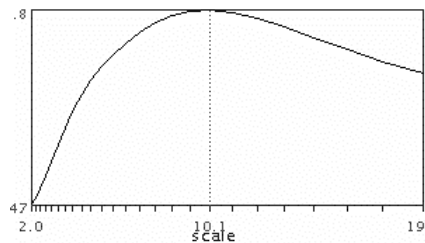
CVPR'03 Tutorial

Scale invariant Harris points

- Multi-scale extraction of Harris interest points
- Selection of points at characteristic scale in scale space



Laplacian

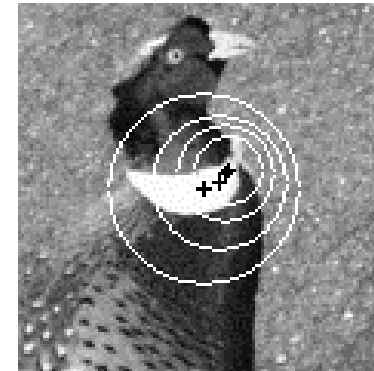
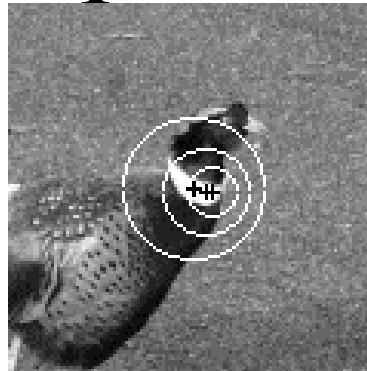


Characteristic scale :

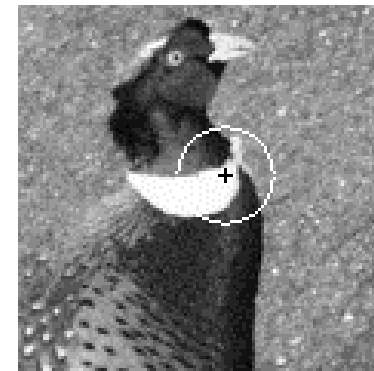
- maximum in scale space
- scale invariant

Scale invariant interest points

multi-scale Harris points



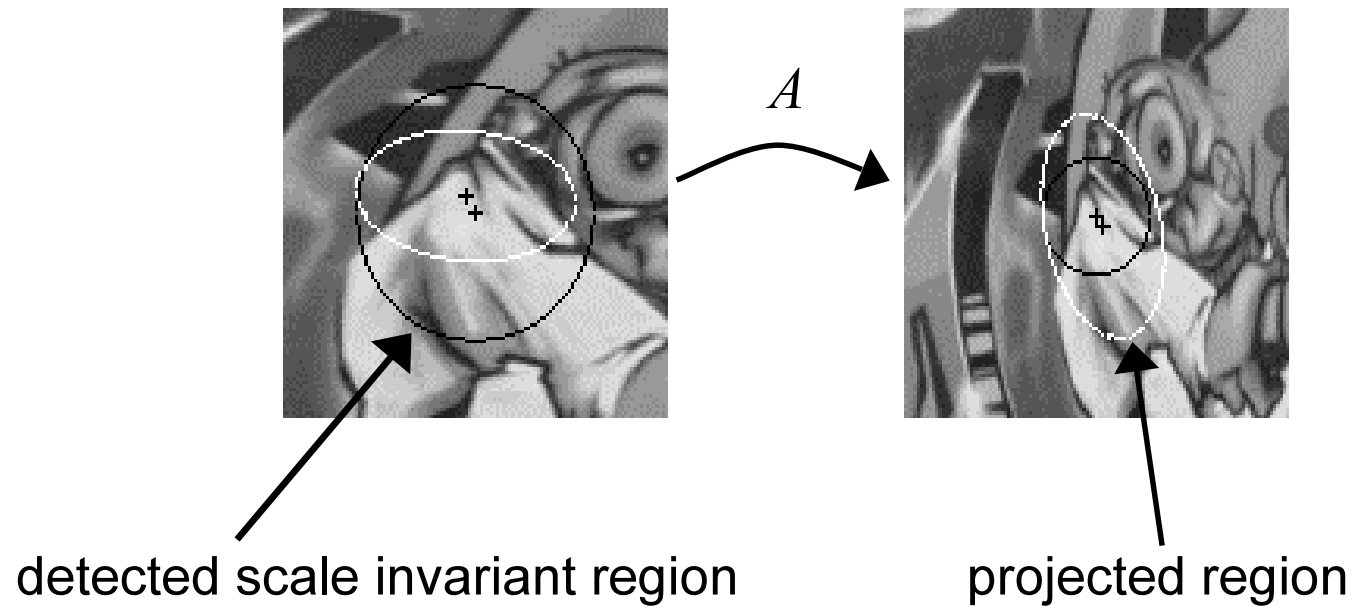
selection of points
at the characteristic scale
with Laplacian



➔ invariant points + associated regions [Mikolajczyk & Schmid'01]

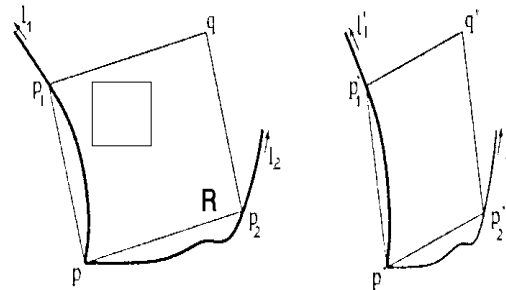
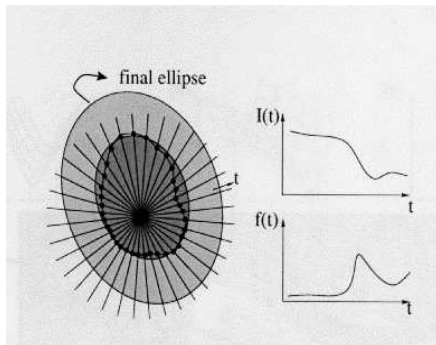
Viewpoint changes

- Locally approximated by an affine transformation



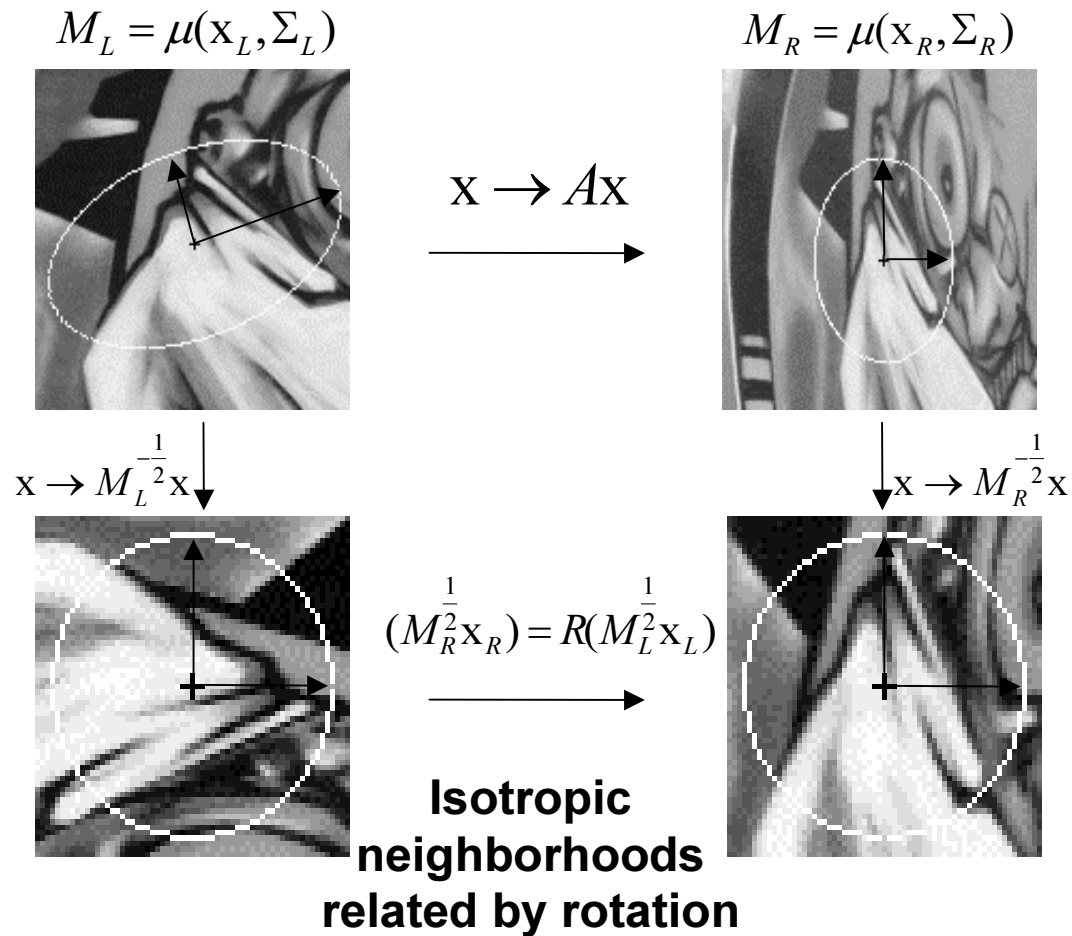
State of the art

- Affine invariant regions (Tuytelaars et al.'00)
 - ellipses fitted to intensity maxima
 - parallelogram formed by interest points and edges



State of the art

- Theory for affine invariant neighborhood (Lindeberg'94)



State of the art

- Localization & scale influence affine neighborhood
=> affine invariant Harris points (Mikolajczyk & Schmid'02)
- Iterative estimation of these parameters
 1. localization – local maximum of the Harris measure
 2. scale – automatic scale selection with the Laplacian
 3. affine neighborhood – normalization with second moment matrix

Repeat estimation until convergence

Affine invariant Harris points

- Iterative estimation of localization, scale, neighborhood

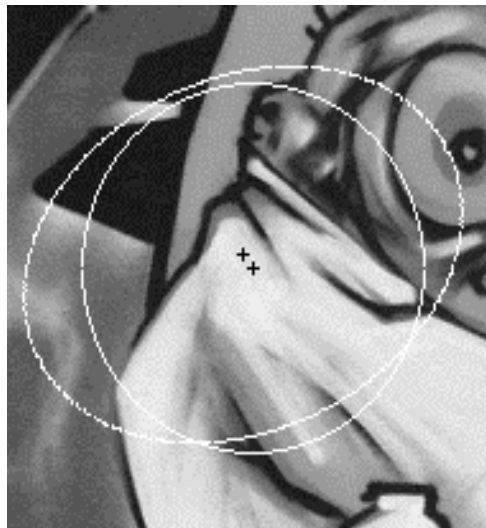
Initial points



Affine invariant Harris points

- Iterative estimation of localization, scale, neighborhood

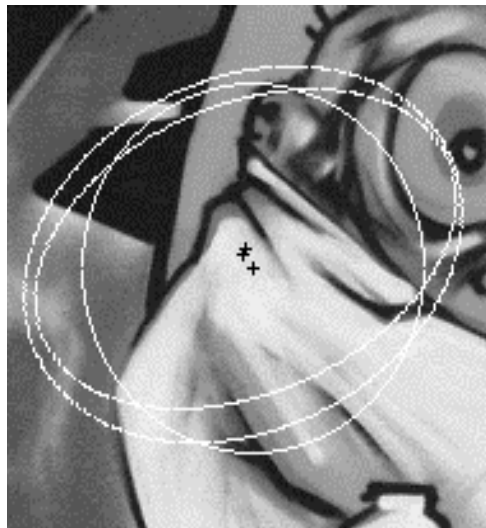
Iteration #1



Affine invariant Harris points

- Iterative estimation of localization, scale, neighborhood

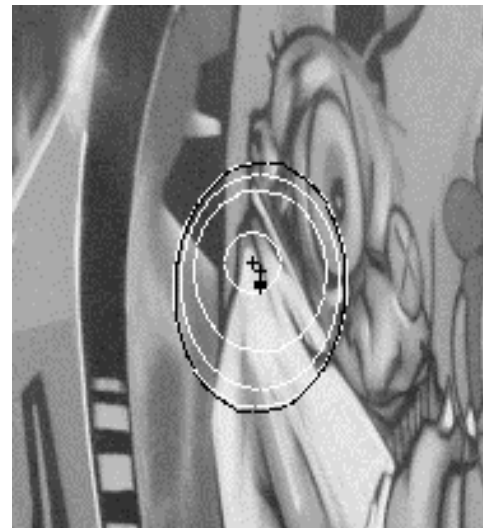
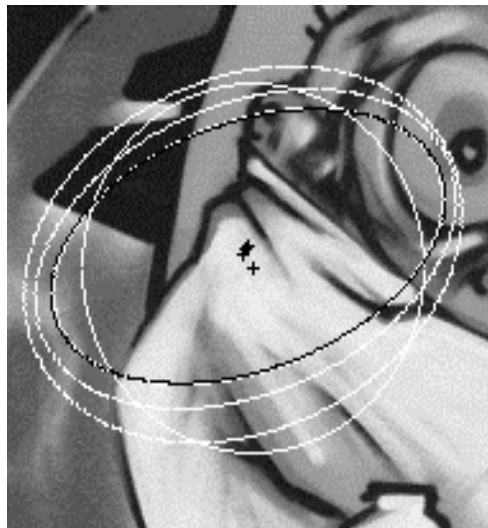
Iteration #2



Affine invariant Harris points

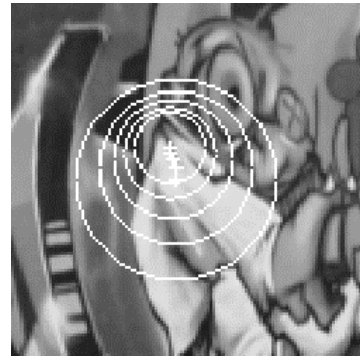
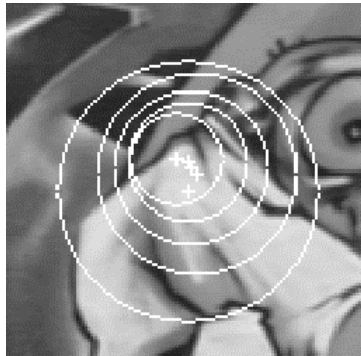
- Iterative estimation of localization, scale, neighborhood

Iteration #3, #4, ...

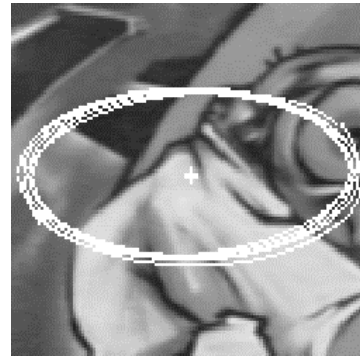
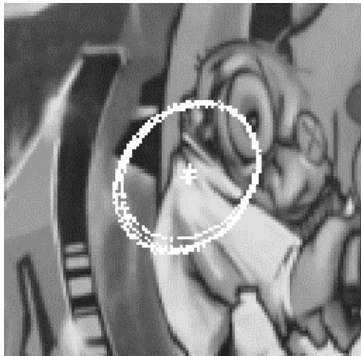


Affine invariant Harris points

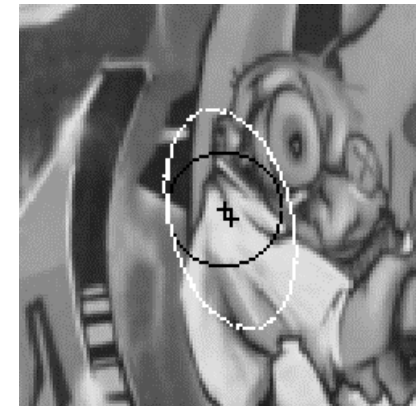
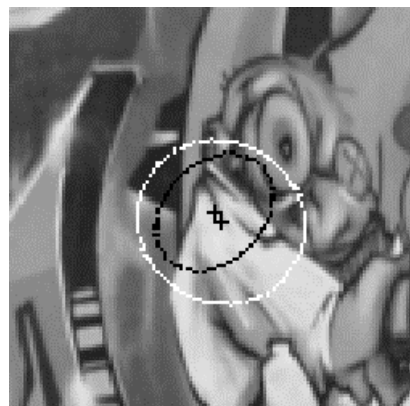
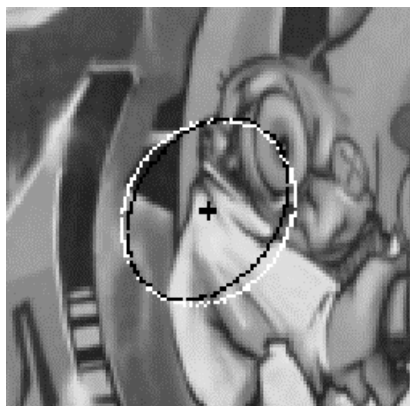
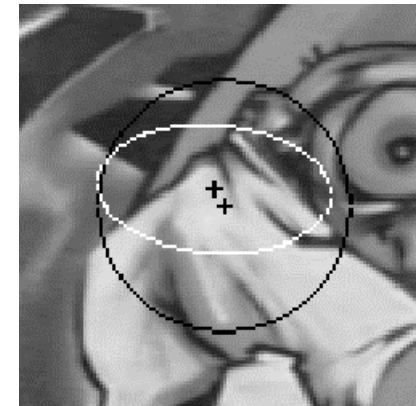
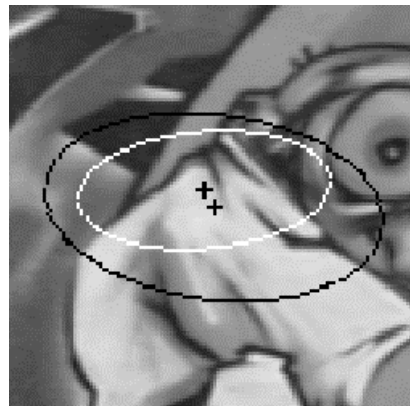
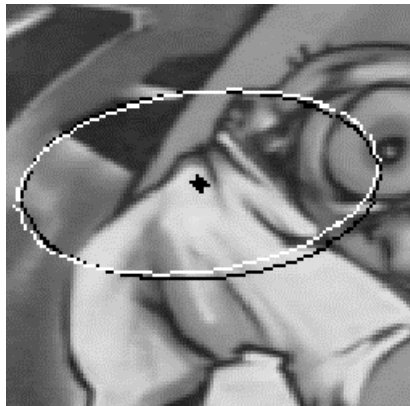
- Initialization with multi-scale interest points



- Iterative modification of location, scale and neighborhood



Affine invariant Harris points

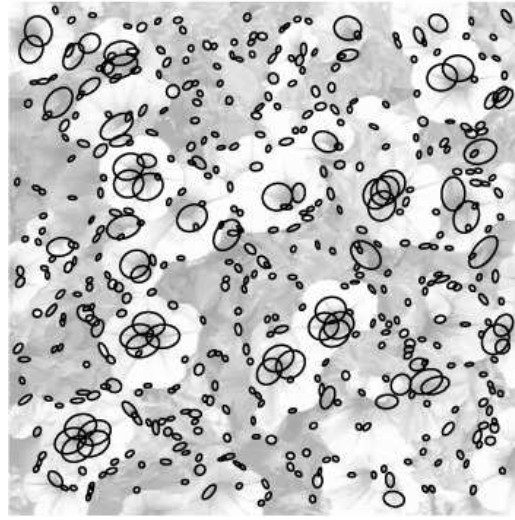
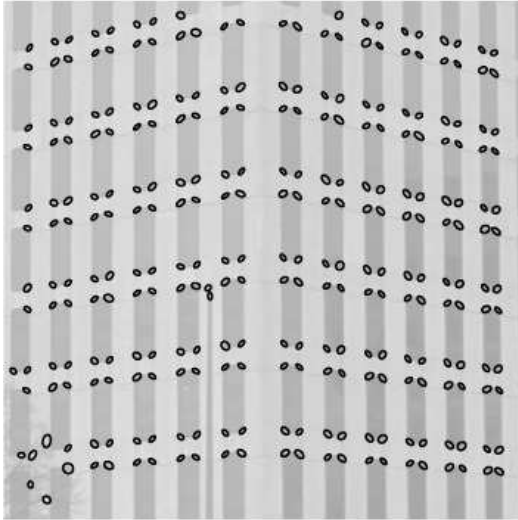


affine Harris

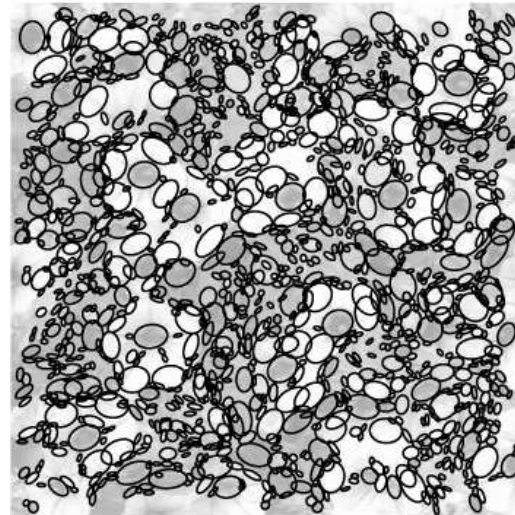
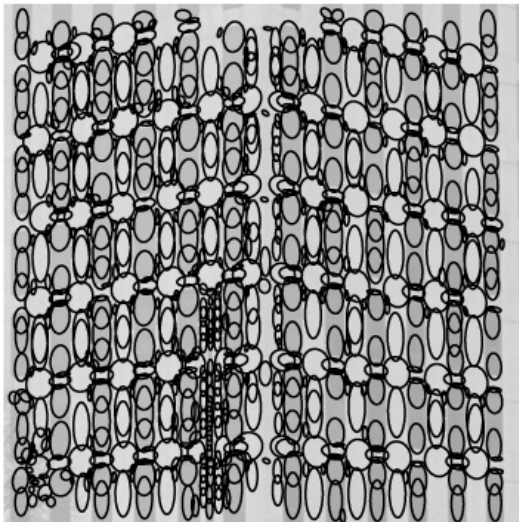
Harris-Laplace
+ affine regions

Harris-Laplace

Affine invariant neighborhood



affine Harris
detector



affine Laplace
detector

Image retrieval

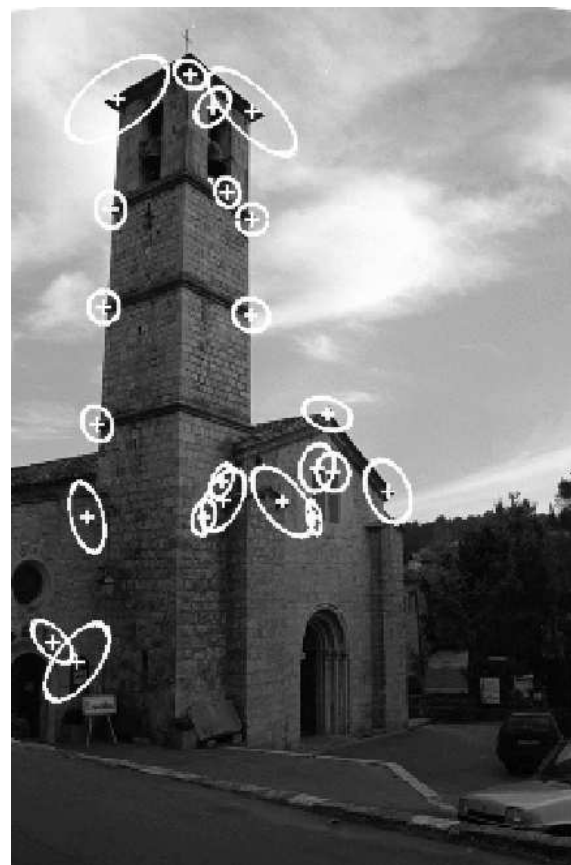
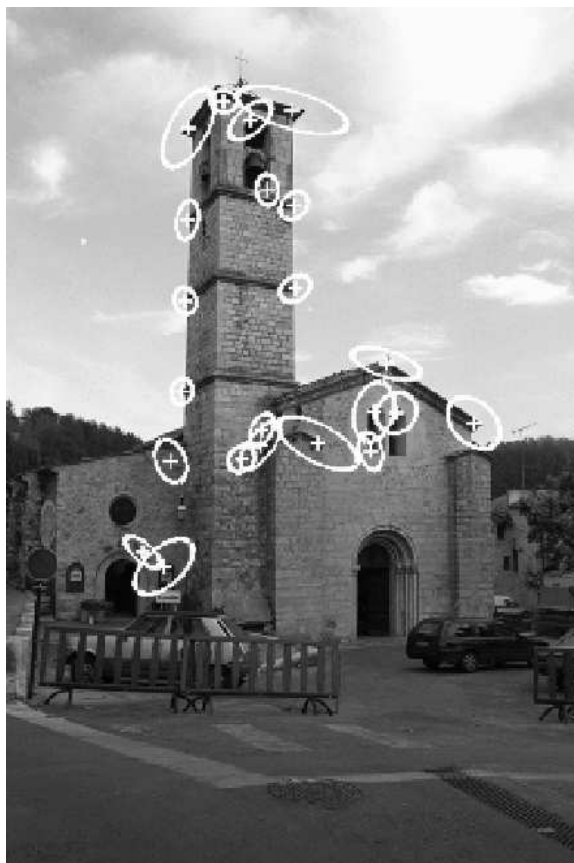


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> 5000
images

change in viewing angle



Matches



22 correct matches

Image retrieval



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change in viewing angle
+ scale change

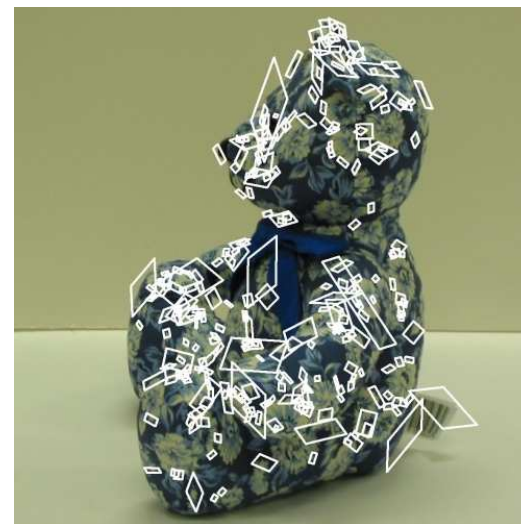


Matches



33 correct matches

3D Recognition



3D Recognition



3D object modeling and recognition using affine-invariant patches and multi-view spatial constraints,
F. Rothganger, S. Lazebnik, C. Schmid, J. Ponce,
CVPR 2003

Evaluation of interest points and descriptors

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CVPR'03 Tutorial

Introduction

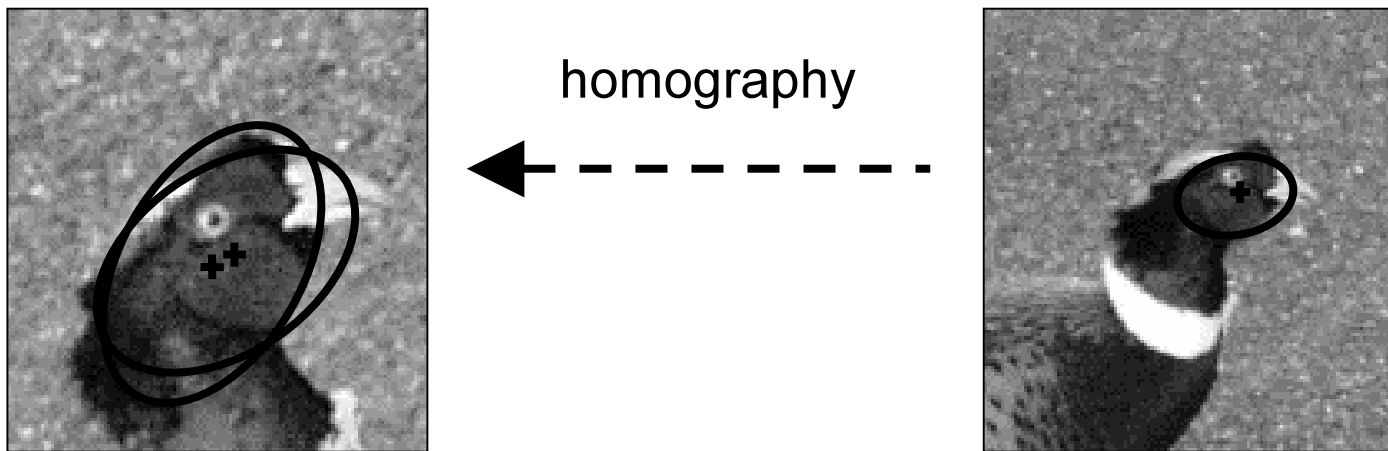
- Quantitative evaluation of interest point detectors
 - points / regions at the same relative location

=> repeatability rate
- Quantitative evaluation of descriptors
 - distinctiveness

=> detection rate with respect to false positives

Quantitative evaluation of detectors

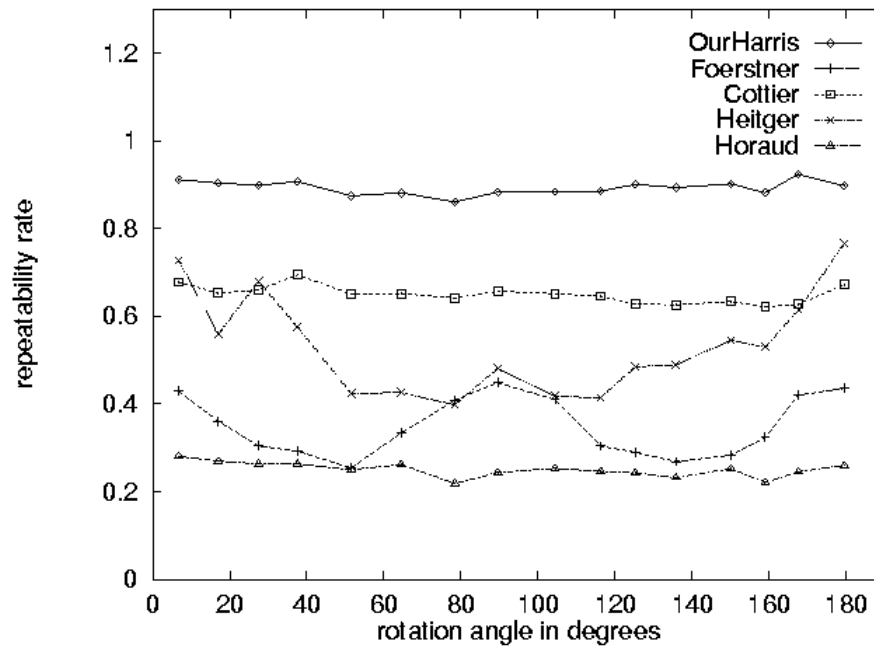
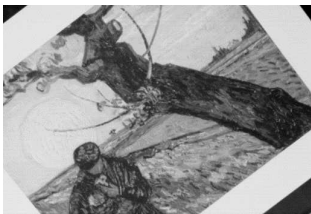
- Repeatability rate : percentage of corresponding points



- Two points are corresponding if
 1. The location error is less than 1.5 pixel
 2. The intersection error is less than 20%

Comparison of different detectors

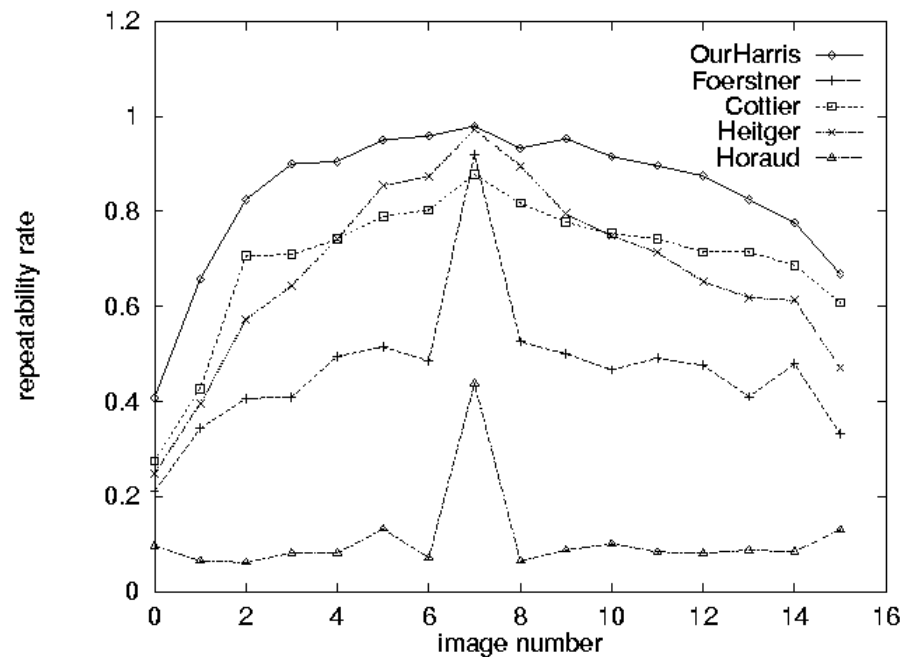
repeatability - image rotation



[Comparing and Evaluating Interest Points, Schmid, Mohr & Bauckhage, ICCV 98]

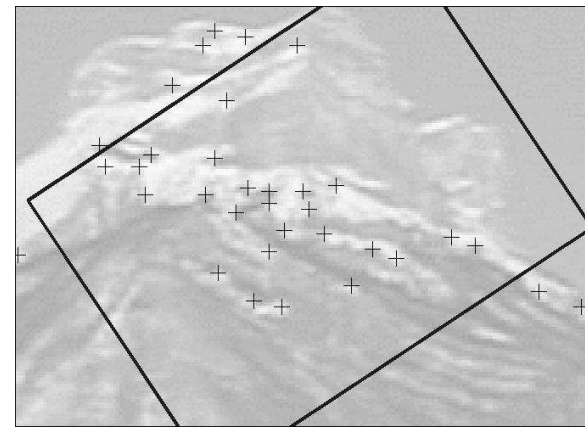
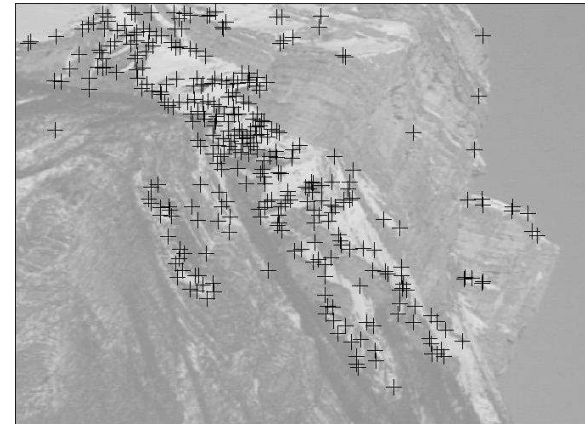
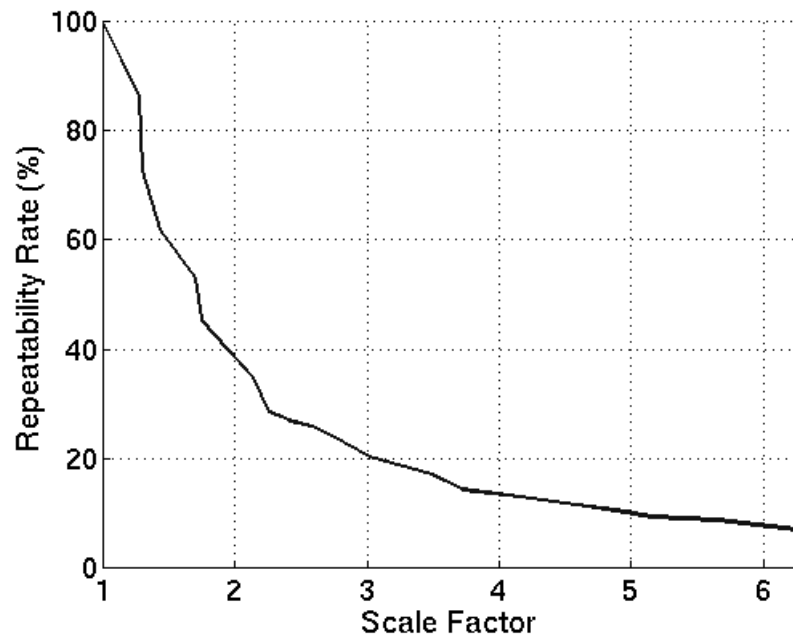
Comparison of different detectors

repeatability – perspective transformation

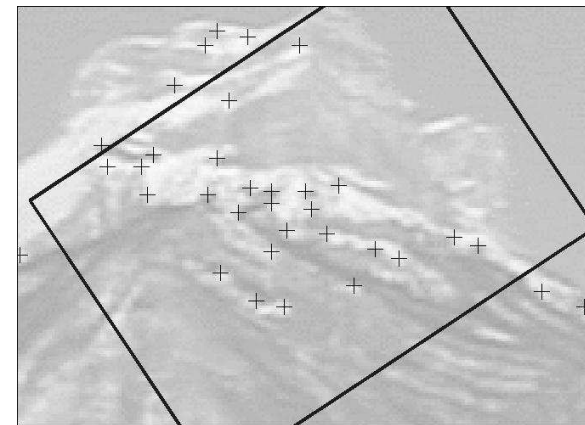
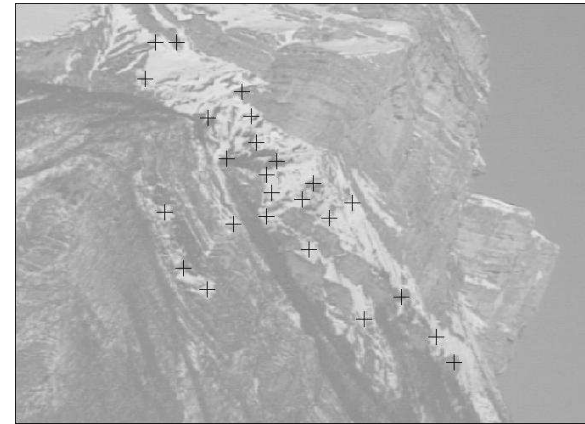
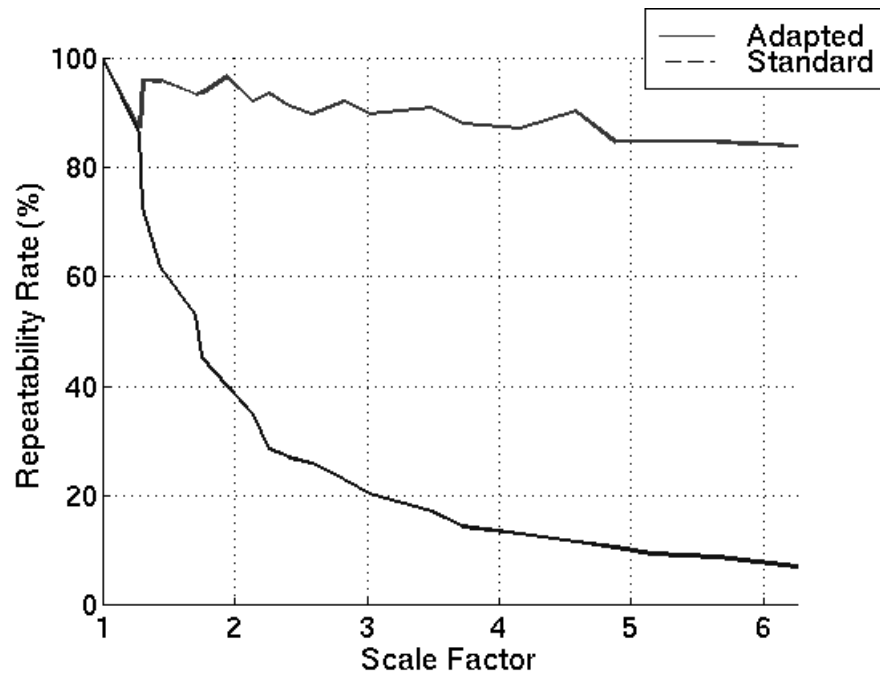


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Harris detector + scale changes

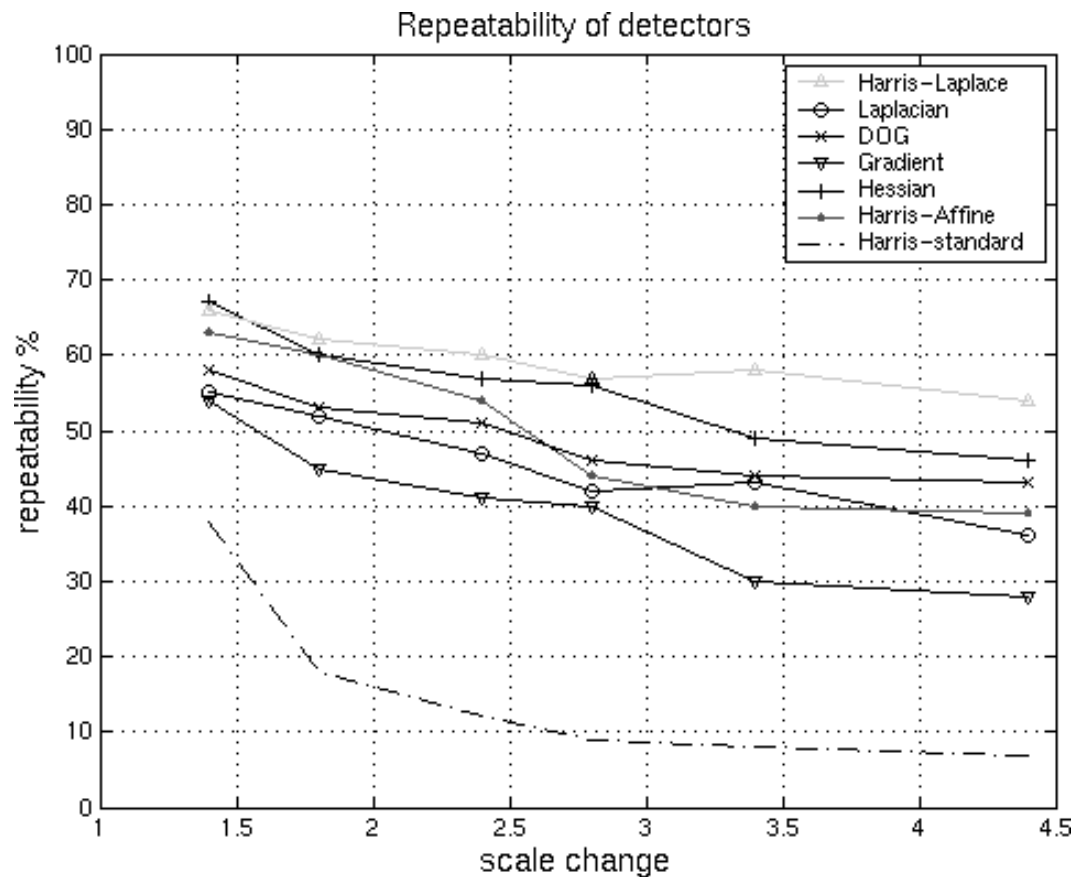


Harris detector – adaptation to scale

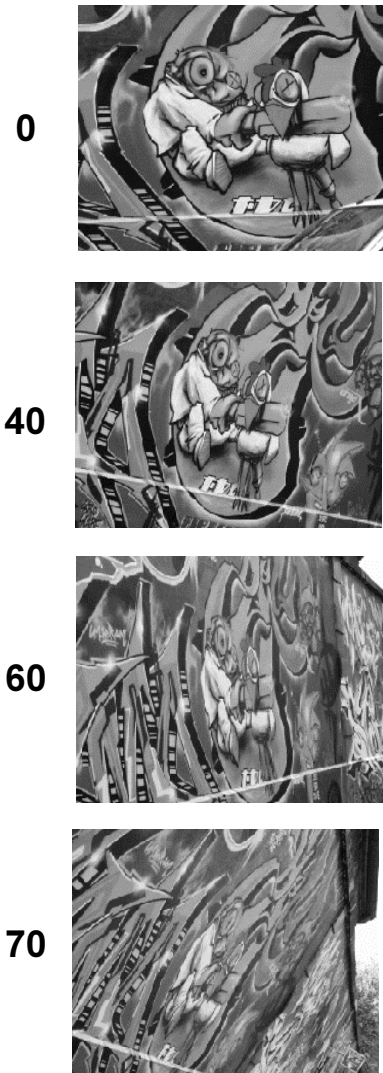


Evaluation of scale invariant detectors

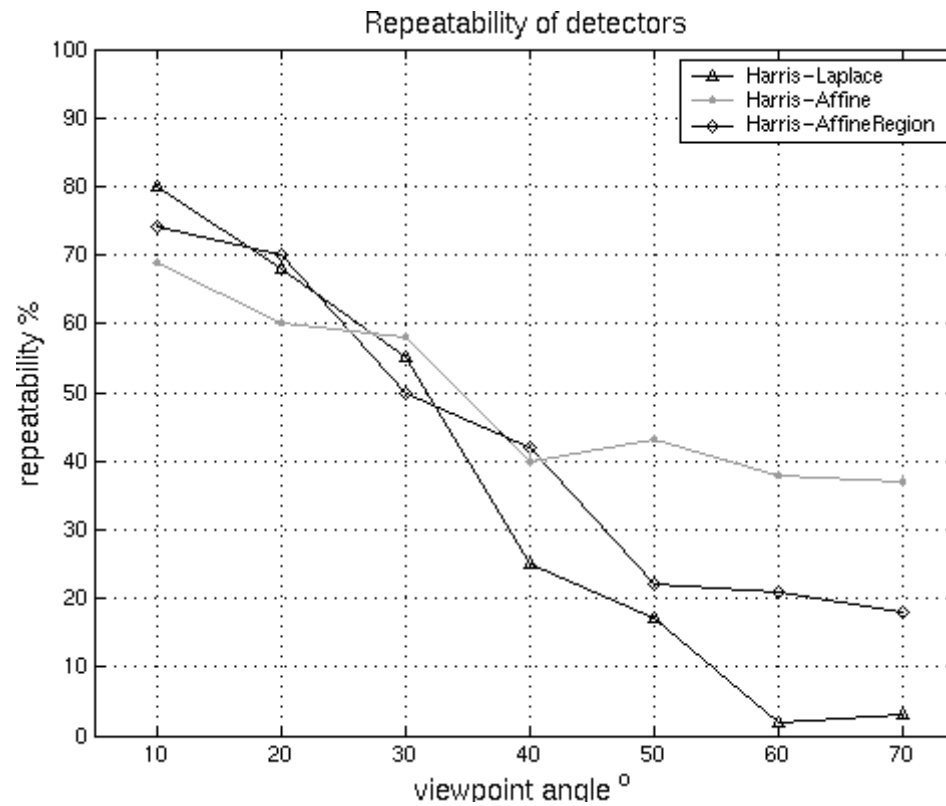
repeatability – scale changes



Evaluation of affine invariant detectors



repeatability – perspective transformation

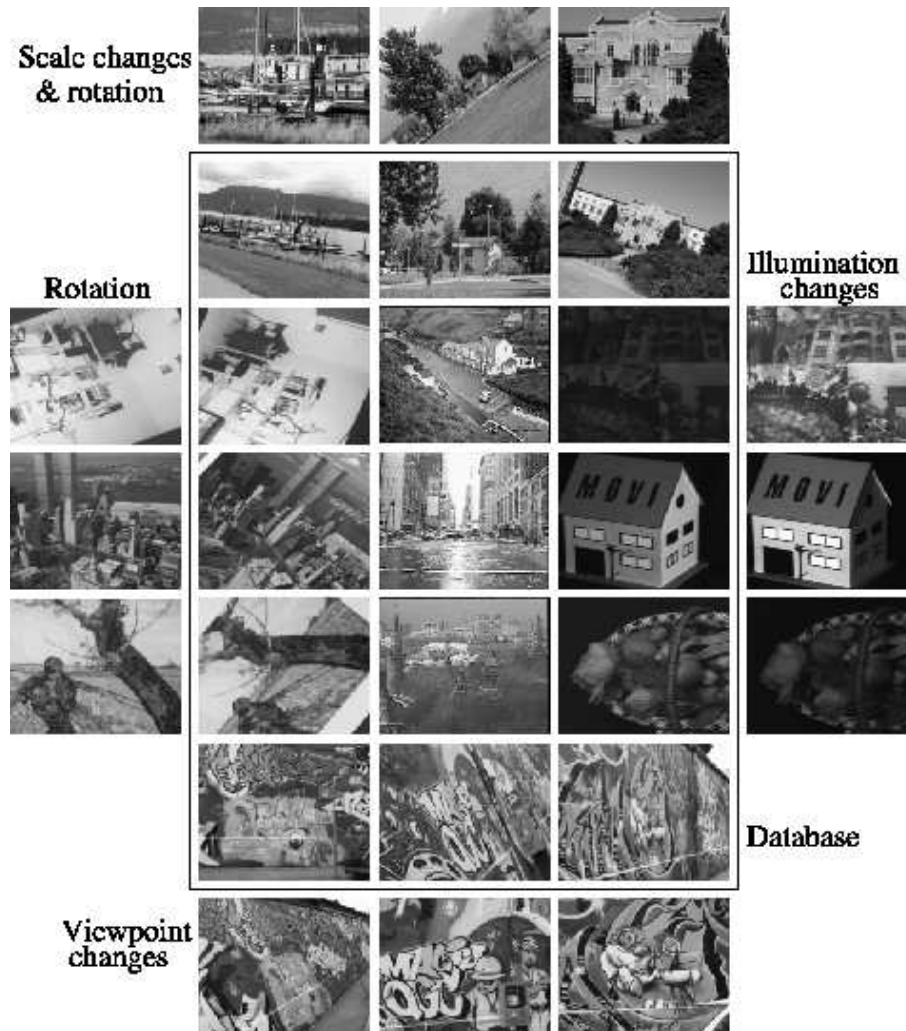


Quantitative evaluation of descriptors

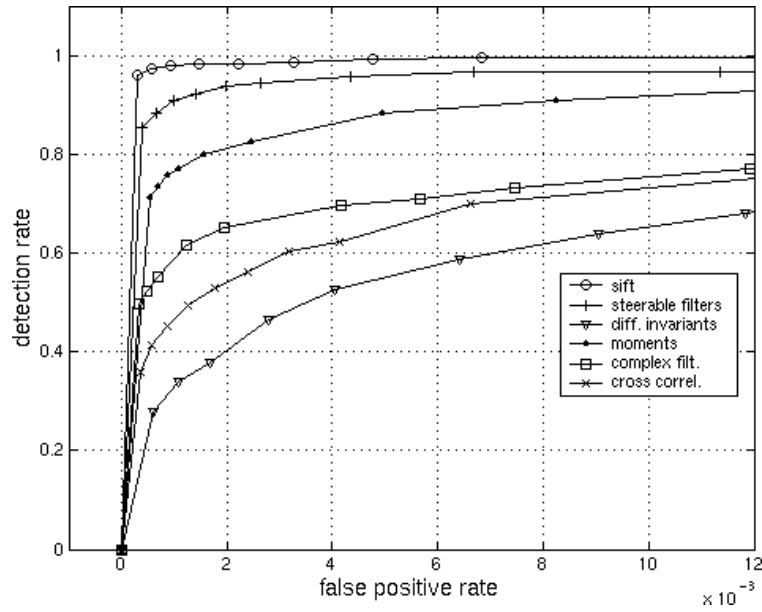
- Evaluation of different local features
 - SIFT, steerable filters, differential invariants, moment invariants, cross-correlation
- Measure : distinctiveness
 - receiver operating characteristics of detection rate with respect to false positives
 - detection rate = correct matches / possible matches
 - false positives = false matches / (database points * query points)

[A performance evaluation of local descriptors, Mikolajczyk & Schmid, CVPR'03]

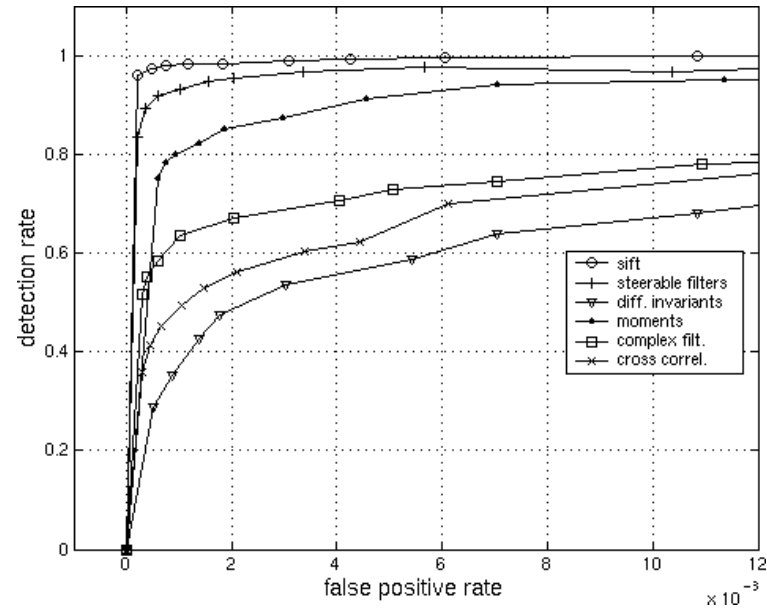
Experimental evaluation



Scale change (factor 2.5)

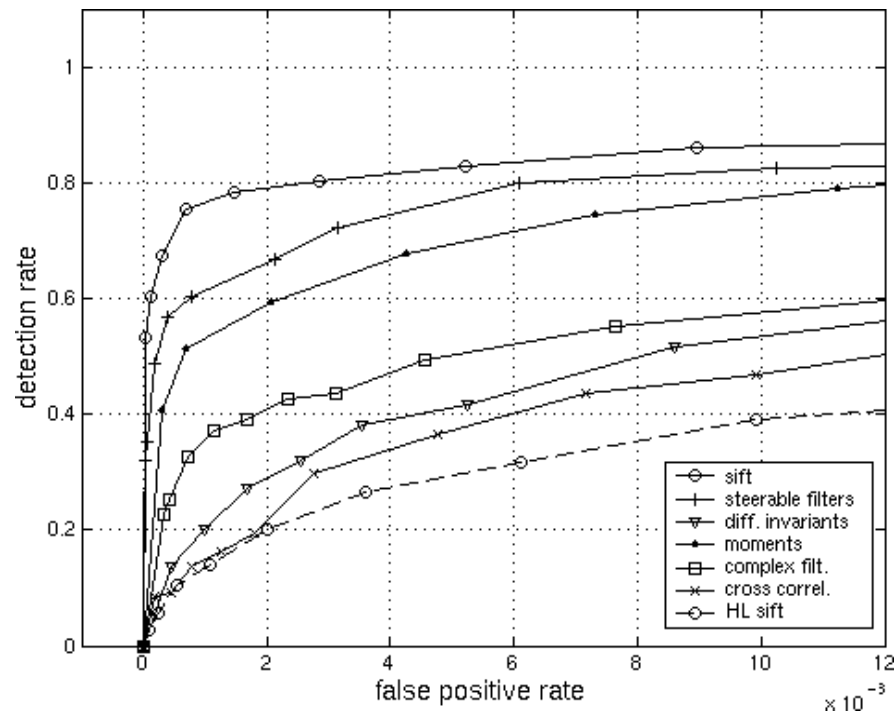


Harris-Laplace



DoG

Viewpoint change (60 degrees)



Harris-Affine (Harris-Laplace)

Descriptors - conclusion

- SIFT + steerable perform best
- Performance of the descriptor independent of the detector
- Errors due to imprecision in region estimation, localization

Today

Affine Invariant Interest points [Schmid]

Evaluation of interest points and descriptors
[Schmid]

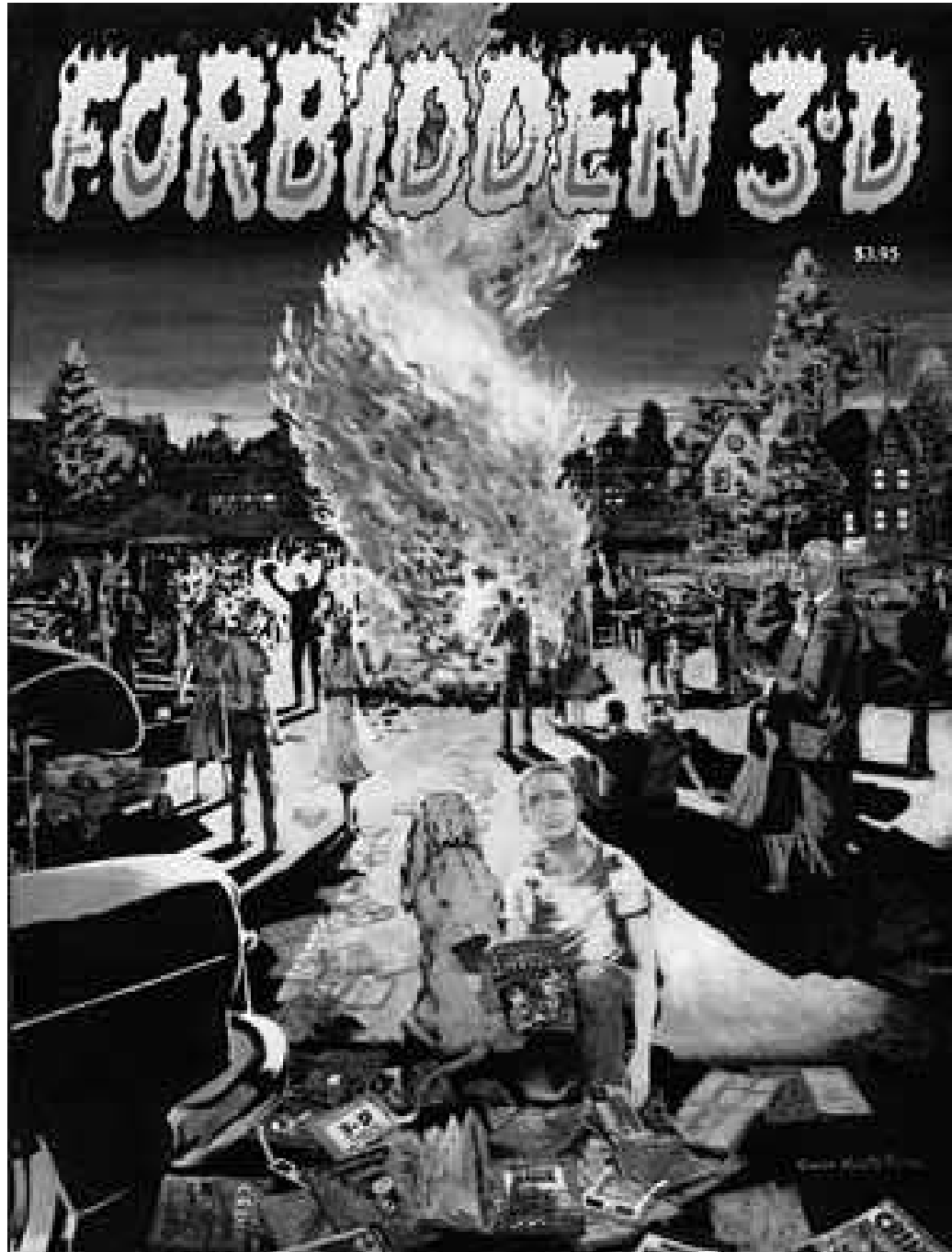
Epipolar geometry and the Essential Matrix

Multi-view geometry and 3-D

We have 2 eyes, yet we see 3-D!

Using multiple views allows inference of hidden dimension.

3-D: The hidden dimension...





*Multiple views to
the rescue!*

How to see in 3-D

(Using geometry...)

- Find features
- Triangulate & reconstruct depth

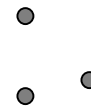
Multi-view geometry

Relate

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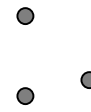
- 3-D points



Multi-view geometry

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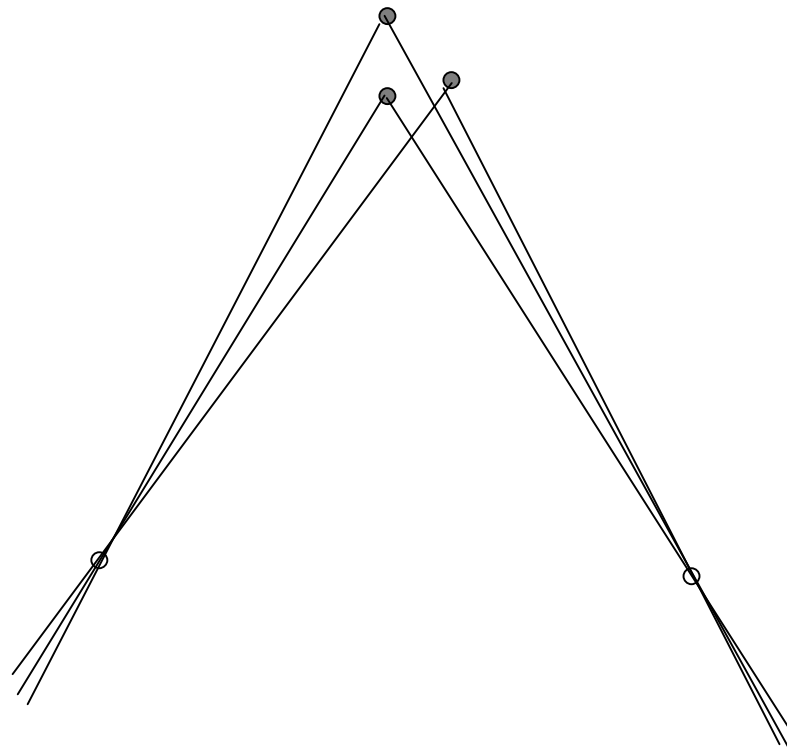
- 3-D points
- Camera centers



Multi-view geometry

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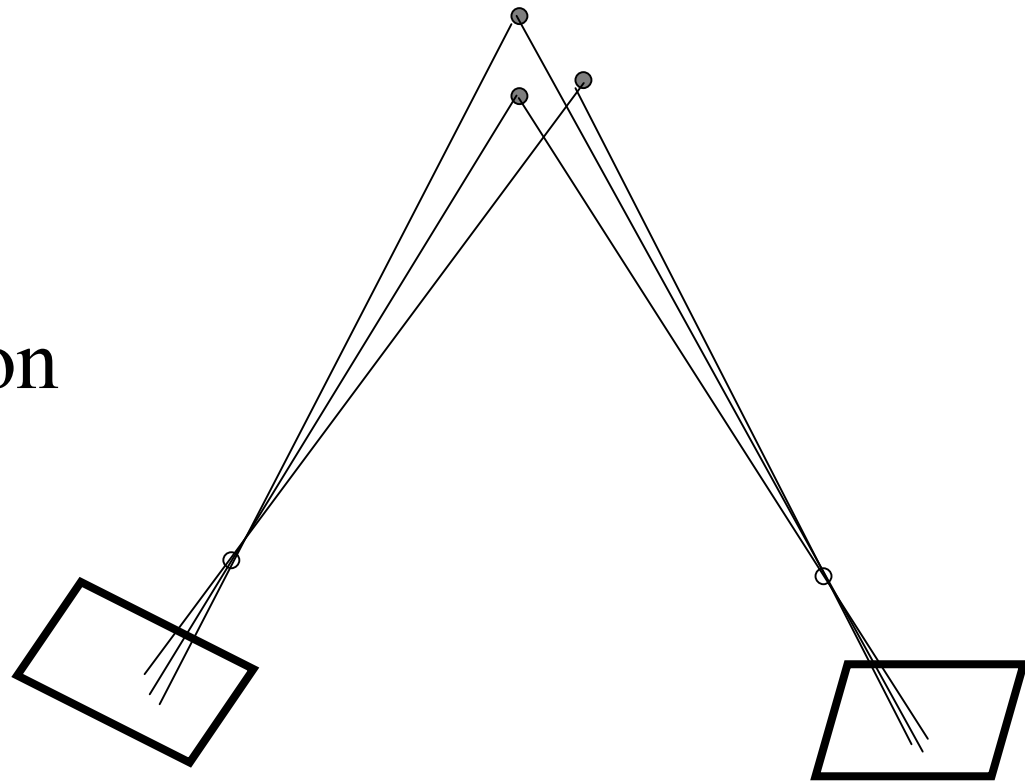
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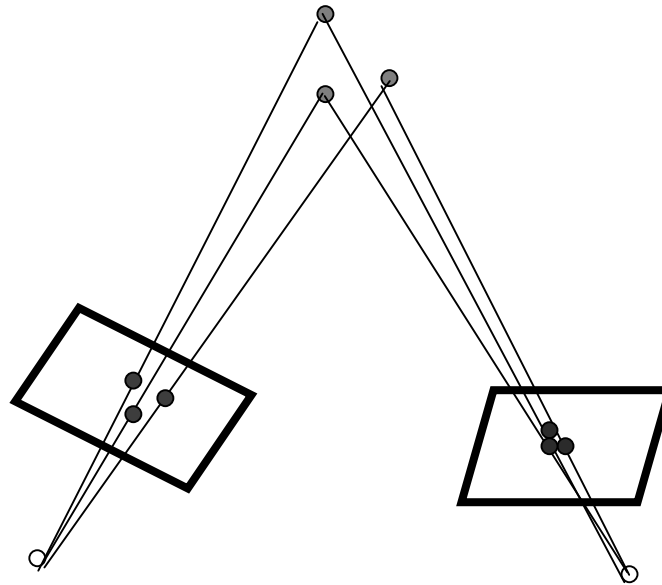
- 3-D points
- Camera centers
- Camera orientation
- Camera intrinsics



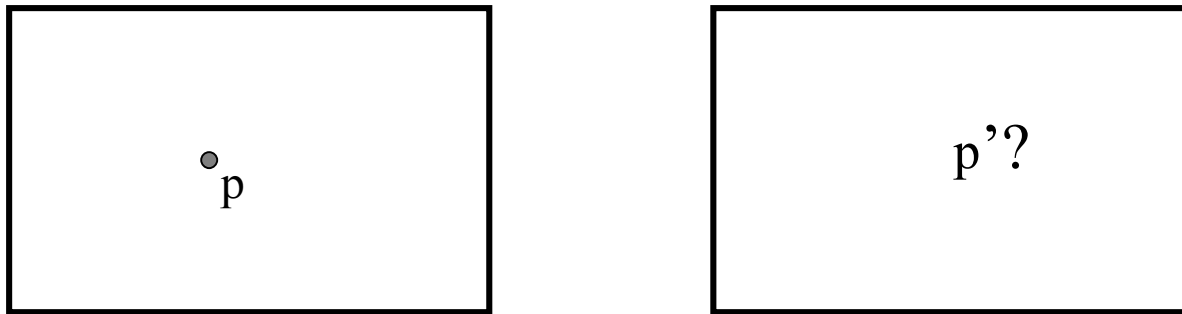
Multi-view geometry

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Stereo constraints

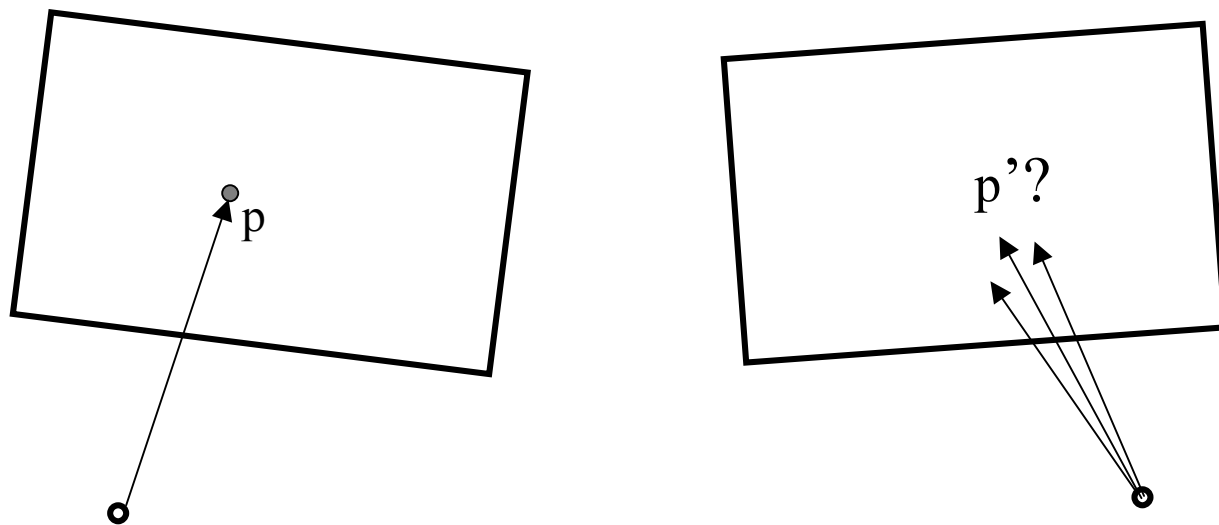


Given p in left image, where can corresponding point p' be?

Could be anywhere! Might not be same scene!

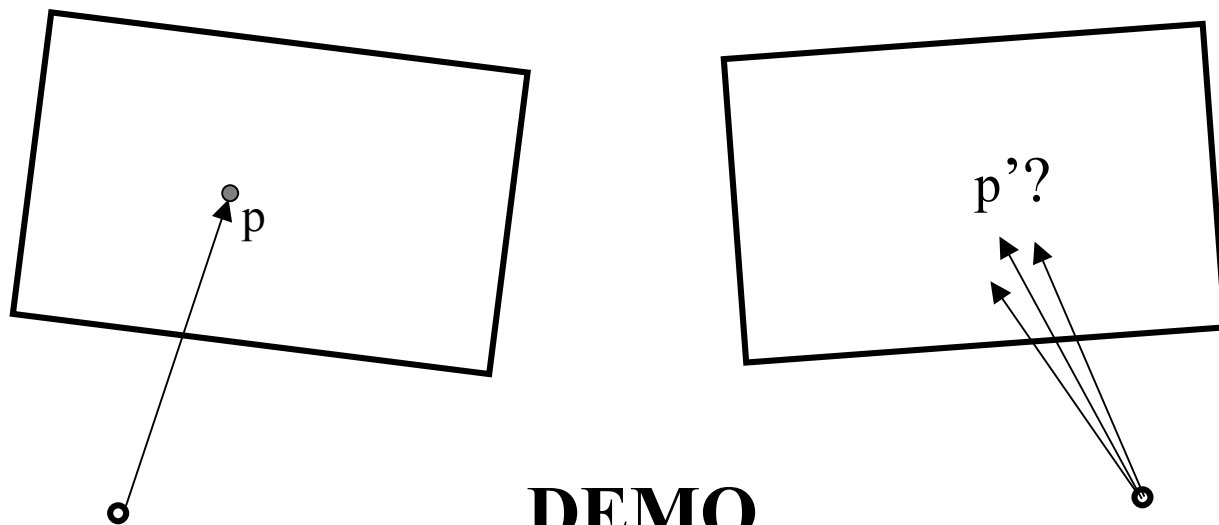
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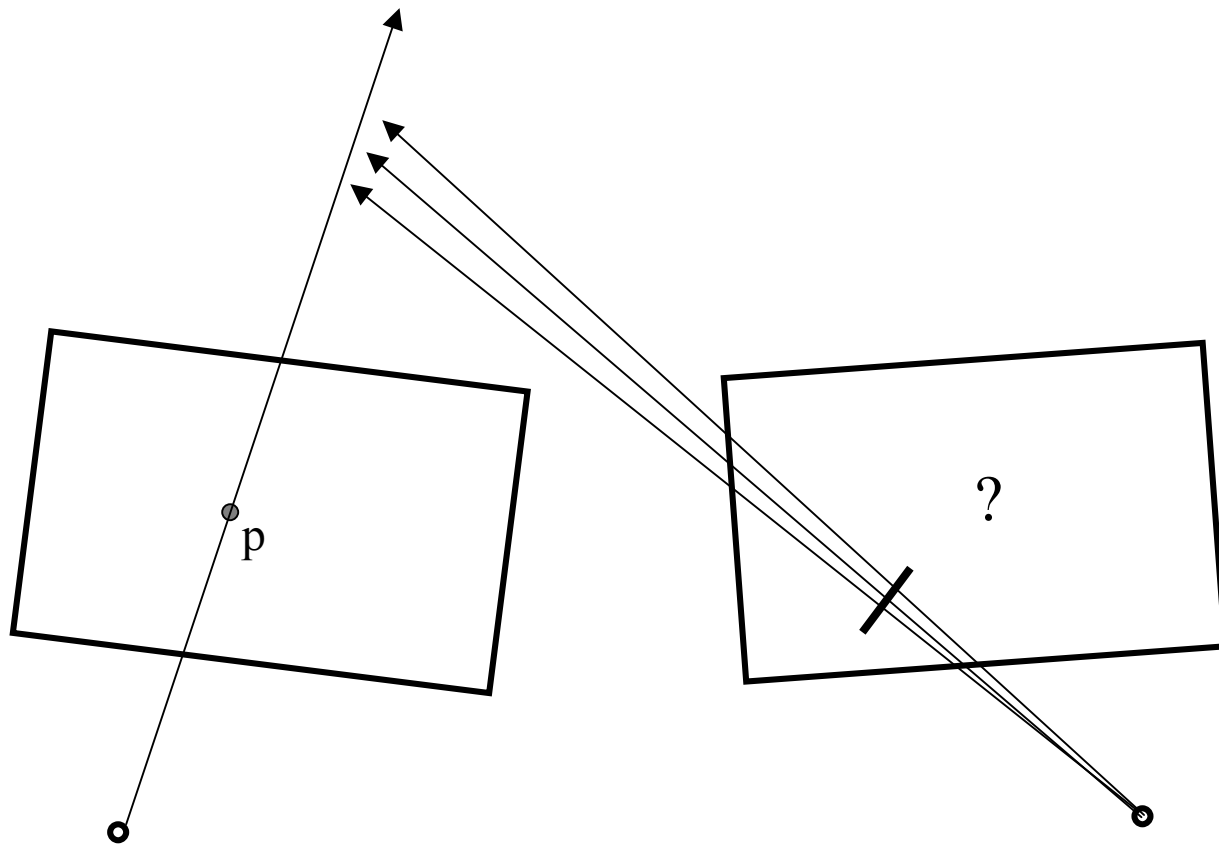


Stereo constraints

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Epipolar line



Epipolar constraint

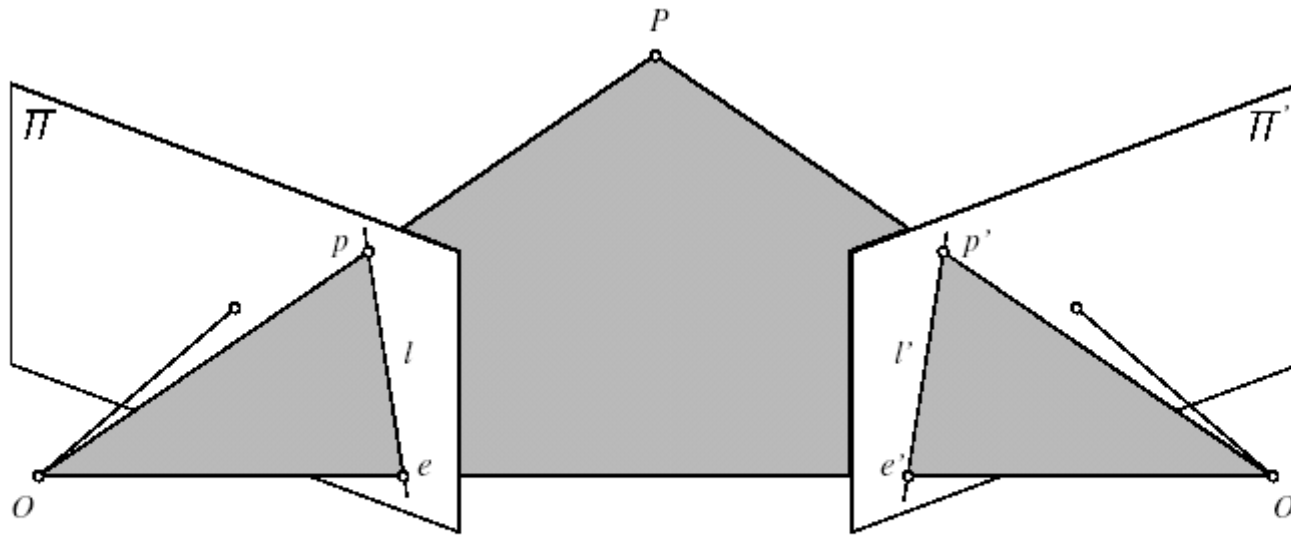


FIGURE 11.1: Epipolar geometry: the point P , the optical centers O and O' of the two cameras, and the two images p and p' of P all lie in the same plane.

All epipolar lines contain epipole, the image of other camera center.

From geometry to algebra...

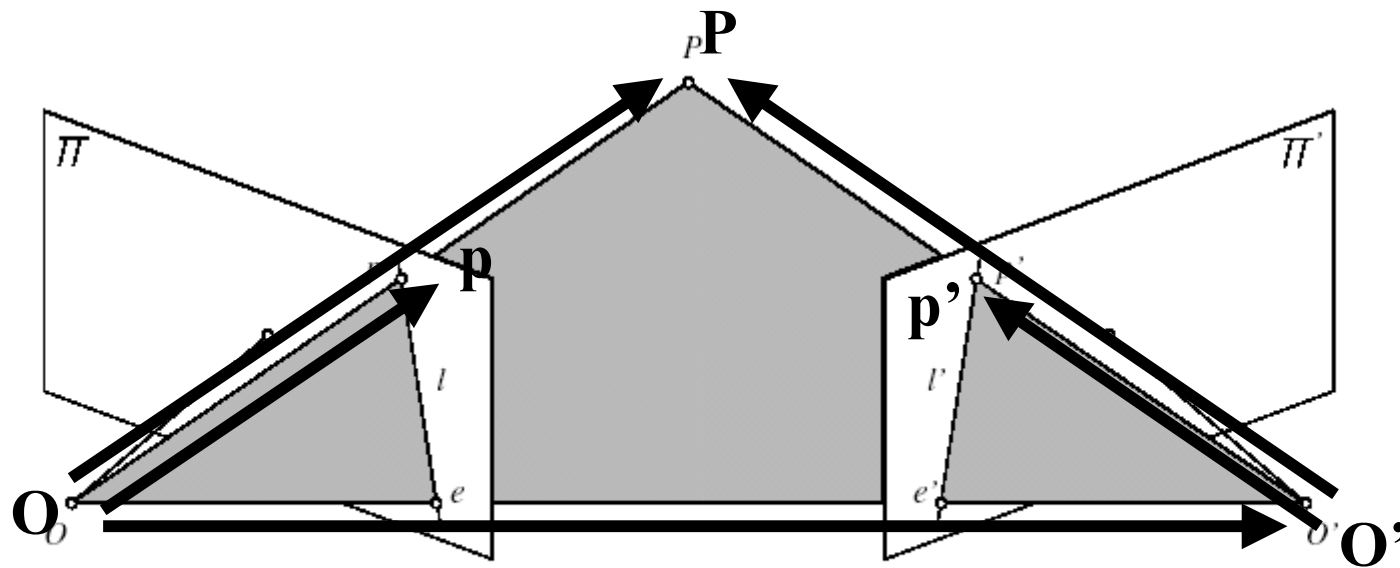
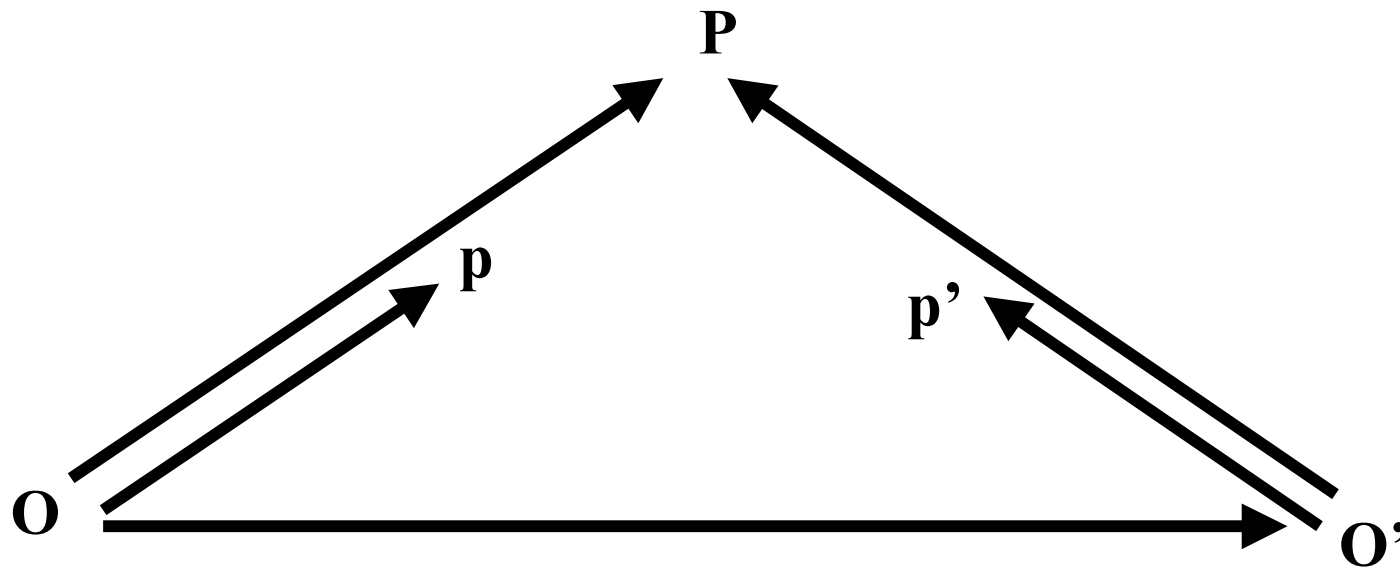


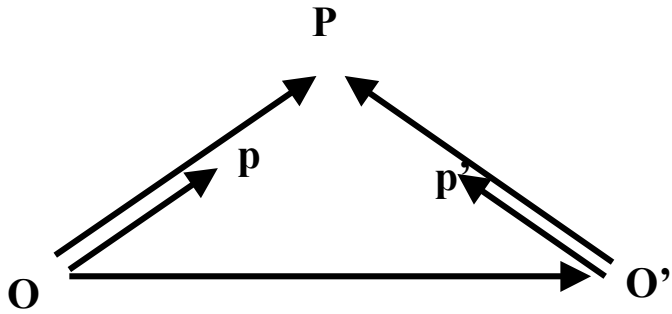
FIGURE 11.1: Epipolar geometry: the point P , the optical centers O and O' of the two cameras, and the two images p and p' of P all lie in the same plane.

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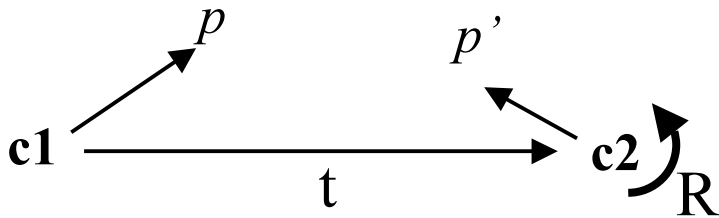


The epipolar constraint: these vectors are coplanar:

$$\overrightarrow{Op} \cdot [\overrightarrow{OO'} \times \overrightarrow{O'p'}] = 0$$



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p, p' are image coordinates of P in $c1$ and $c2...$

$$\mathbf{p} \cdot [\mathbf{t} \times (\mathcal{R}p')] = 0$$

$c2$ is related to $c1$ by rotation R and translation t

Matrix form

$$\mathbf{p} \cdot [\mathbf{t} \times (\mathcal{R}\mathbf{p}')] = 0$$

Linear constraint, should be able to express as matrix equation...

Review: matrix form of cross-product

The vector cross product also acts on two vectors and returns a third vector. Geometrically, this new vector is constructed such that its projection onto either of the two input vectors is zero.

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_y b_z - a_z b_y \\ a_z b_x - a_x b_z \\ a_x b_y - a_y b_x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a_z & a_y \\ a_z & 0 & -a_x \\ -a_y & a_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_y \\ b_z \end{bmatrix} = \vec{c} \quad \begin{array}{l} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 0 \\ \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 0 \end{array}$$

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$$[a_x] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a_z & a_y \\ a_z & 0 & -a_x \\ -a_y & a_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = [a_x] \vec{b}$$

Matrix form

$$\mathbf{p} \cdot [\mathbf{t} \times (\mathcal{R}\mathbf{p}')] = 0$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = [a_x] \vec{b}$$

$$\mathbf{p}^T [t_x] \mathcal{R} \mathbf{p}' = 0$$

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = [t_x] \mathcal{R}$$

$$\mathbf{p}^T \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \mathbf{p}' = 0$$

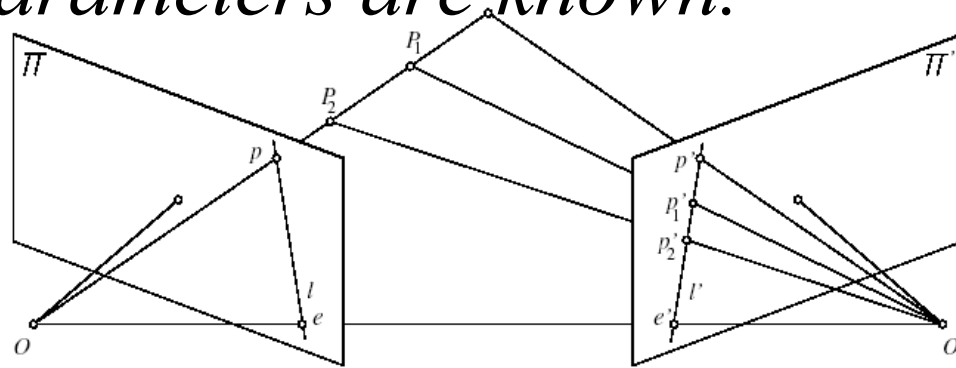
The Essential Matrix

Matrix that relates image of point in one camera to a second camera, given translation and rotation.

Assumes intrinsic parameters are known.

$$\mathcal{E} = [t_x] \mathfrak{R}$$

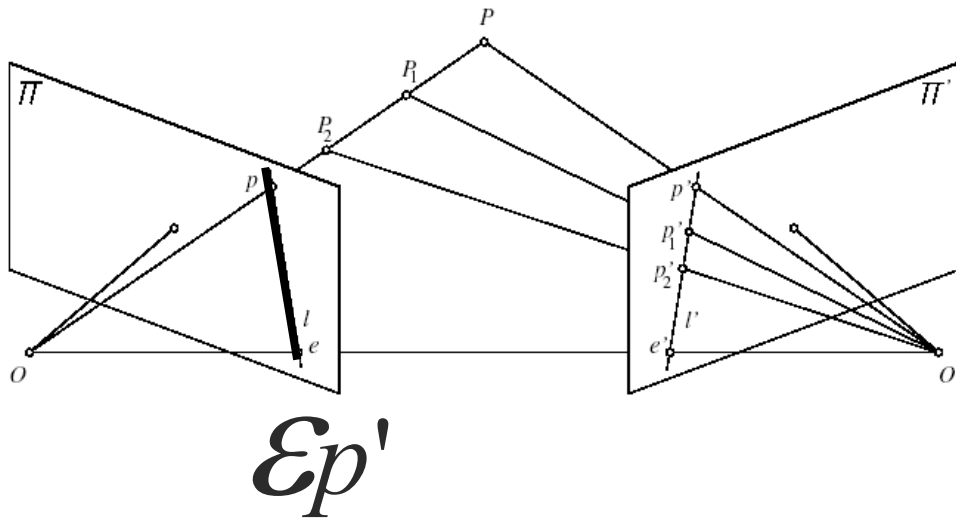
$$p^T \mathcal{E} p' = 0$$



$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = [a_x] \vec{b}$$

The Essential Matrix

$\mathcal{E}p'$ is the epipolar line corresponding to p' in the left camera.



$$au + bv + c = 0$$

$$p = (u, v, 1)^T$$

$$l = (a, b, c)^T$$

$$l \cdot p = 0$$

$$p^T \mathcal{E} p' = 0$$

$$\mathcal{E} p' \cdot p = 0$$

Today

Affine Invariant Interest points [Schmid]

Evaluation of interest points and descriptors
[Schmid]

Epipolar geometry and the Essential Matrix