

# Lecture-17

## Computing Optical Flow: Lucas & Kanade Global Flow

### Lucas & Kanade (Least Squares)

- Optical flow eq

$$f_x u + f_y v = \square f_t$$

- Consider 3 by 3 window

$$f_{x1} u + f_{y1} v = \square f_{t1}$$

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$$f_{x9} u + f_{y9} v = \square f_{t9}$$

$$\begin{matrix} f_{x1} & f_{y1} & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \\ f_{x9} & f_{y9} & \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} u \\ v \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} f_{t1} \\ \vdots \\ f_{t9} \end{matrix}$$

**Au = ft**

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$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}_t$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{f}_t$$

$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{f}_t$$



$$\min \square (f_{xi}u + f_{yi}v + f_t)^2$$

Lucas & Kanade

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$$\square (f_{xi}u + f_{yi}v + f_t)f_{xi} = 0$$

$$\square (f_{xi}u + f_{yi}v + f_t)f_{yi} = 0$$

$$(f_{xi}u + f_{yi}v + f_{ti})f_{xi} = 0$$

$$(f_{xi}u + f_{yi}v + f_{ti})f_{yi} = 0$$

$$f_{xi}^2u + f_{xi}f_{yi}v = f_{xi}f_{ti}$$

$$f_{xi}f_{yi}u + f_{yi}^2v = f_{yi}f_{ti}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{\mu} \\ \boxed{v} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \boxed{f_{xi}^2} & \boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}} & \boxed{f_{xi}f_{ti}} \\ \boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}} & \boxed{f_{yi}^2} & \boxed{f_{yi}f_{ti}} \\ \boxed{f_{xi}f_{ti}} & \boxed{f_{yi}f_{ti}} & \end{array}$$

## Lucas & Kanade

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{\mu} \\ \boxed{v} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \boxed{f_{xi}^2} & \boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}} & \boxed{f_{xi}f_{ti}} \\ \boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}} & \boxed{f_{yi}^2} & \boxed{f_{yi}f_{ti}} \\ \boxed{f_{xi}f_{ti}} & \boxed{f_{yi}f_{ti}} & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{\mu} \\ \boxed{v} \end{array} = \frac{1}{\boxed{f_{xi}^2} \boxed{f_{yi}^2} (\boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}})^2} \begin{array}{c} \boxed{f_{xi}^2} & \boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}} & \boxed{f_{xi}f_{ti}} \\ \boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}} & \boxed{f_{xi}^2} & \boxed{f_{yi}f_{ti}} \\ \boxed{f_{xi}f_{ti}} & \boxed{f_{yi}f_{ti}} & \end{array}$$

$$u = \frac{\boxed{f_{xi}^2} \boxed{f_{yi}^2} \boxed{f_{xi}f_{ti}} + \boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}} \boxed{f_{yi}f_{ti}}}{\boxed{f_{xi}^2} \boxed{f_{yi}^2} (\boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}})^2}$$

$$v = \frac{\boxed{f_{xi}f_{ti}} \boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}} \boxed{f_{xi}^2} \boxed{f_{yi}f_{ti}}}{\boxed{f_{xi}^2} \boxed{f_{yi}^2} (\boxed{f_{xi}f_{yi}})^2}$$

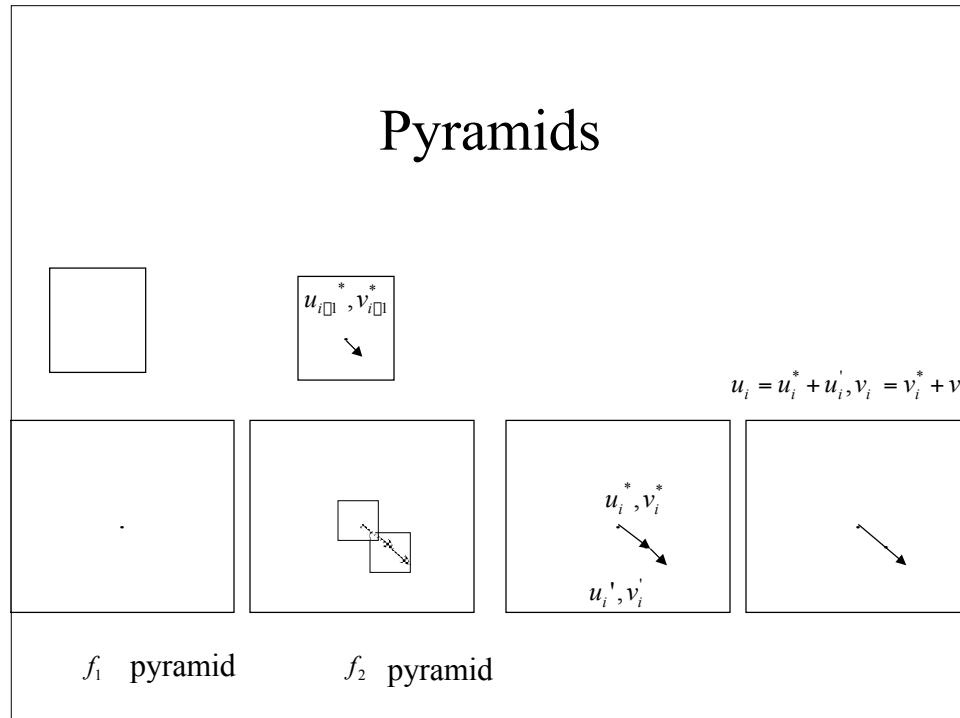
## Comments

- Horn-Schunck and Lucas-Kanade optical method works only for small motion.
- If object moves faster, the brightness changes rapidly, 2x2 or 3x3 masks fail to estimate spatiotemporal derivatives.
- Pyramids can be used to compute large optical flow vectors.

## Lucas Kanade with Pyramids

- Compute ‘simple’ LK at highest level
- At level  $i$ 
  - Take flow  $u_{i-1}, v_{i-1}$  from level  $i-1$
  - bilinear interpolate it to create  $u_i^*, v_i^*$  matrices of twice resolution for level  $i$
  - multiply  $u_i^*, v_i^*$  by 2
  - compute  $f_t$  from a block displaced by  $u_i^*(x,y), v_i^*(x,y)$
  - Apply LK to get  $u_i'(x, y), v_i'(x, y)$  (the correction in flow)
  - Add corrections  $u_i' v_i'$ , i.e.  $u_i = u_i^* + u_i'$ ,  $v_i = v_i^* + v_i'$ .

# Pyramids



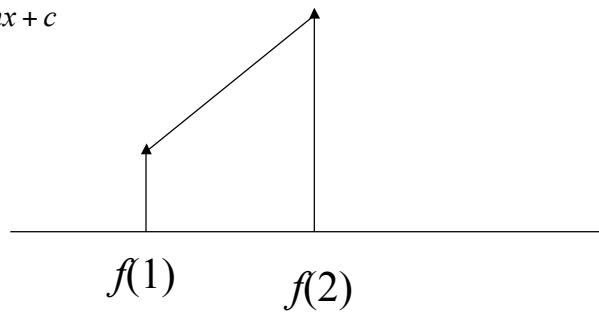
# Interpolation

				0	1	2	3
				0	•	•	•
				$v = 1$	•	•	•
$u = 1$	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
3	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
				0	1	2	3
				4	5	6	7
				0	•	◦	•
				1	◦	◦	◦
				2	•	◦	•
				$v^* = 3$	◦	◦	◦
$u^* = 3$	◦	◦	◦	◦	◦	◦	◦
4	•	◦	•	◦	•	◦	◦
5	◦	◦	◦	◦	◦	◦	◦
6	•	◦	•	◦	•	◦	◦
7	◦	◦	◦	◦	◦	◦	◦

## 1-D Interpolation

$$y = mx + c$$

$$f(x) = mx + c$$



## 2-D Interpolation

$$f(x, y) = a_1 + a_2x + a_3y + a_4xy$$

Bilinear

X X  
O X

## Bi-linear Interpolation

**Four nearest points of (x,y) are:**

$$(\underline{x}, \underline{y}), (\bar{x}, \underline{y}), (\underline{x}, \bar{y}), (\bar{x}, \bar{y})$$

$$(3,5), (4,5), (3,6), (4,6)$$

$$\underline{x} = \text{int}(x) \quad 3 \quad (3,2,5,6)$$

$$\underline{\underline{y}} = \text{int}(y) \quad 5 \quad X_{(3,6)} \quad X_{(4,6)}$$

$$\bar{x} = \underline{x} + 1 \quad 4 \quad X_{(3,5)}^{\circ} \quad X_{(4,5)}$$

$$\bar{\underline{y}} = \underline{y} + 1 \quad 6$$

$$f(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) = \overline{\square_x} \overline{\square_y} f(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) + \underline{\square_x} \overline{\square_y} f(\bar{x}, \underline{y}) +$$

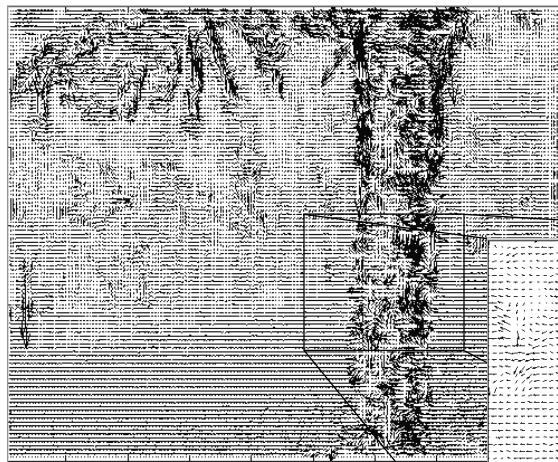
$$\overline{\square_x} \underline{\square_y} f(\underline{x}, \bar{y}) + \underline{\square_x} \underline{\square_y} f(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$$

$$\overline{\square_x} = \bar{x} - \underline{x} = 4 - 3 = .8$$

$$\underline{\square_y} = \underline{y} - \bar{y} = 6 - 5.6 = .4$$

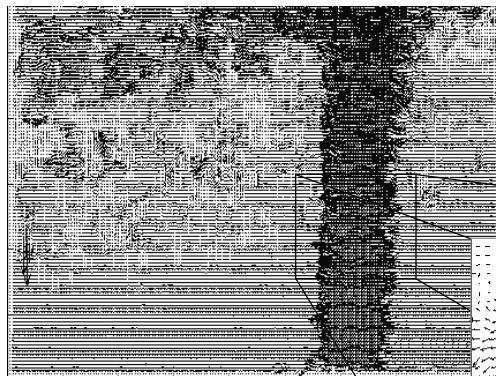
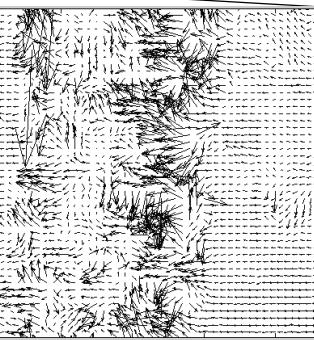
$$\underline{\square_x} = x - \underline{x} = 3.2 - 3 = .2$$

$$\underline{\square_y} = y - \bar{y} = 5.6 - 5 = .6$$

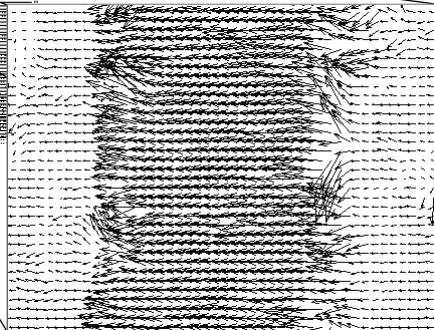


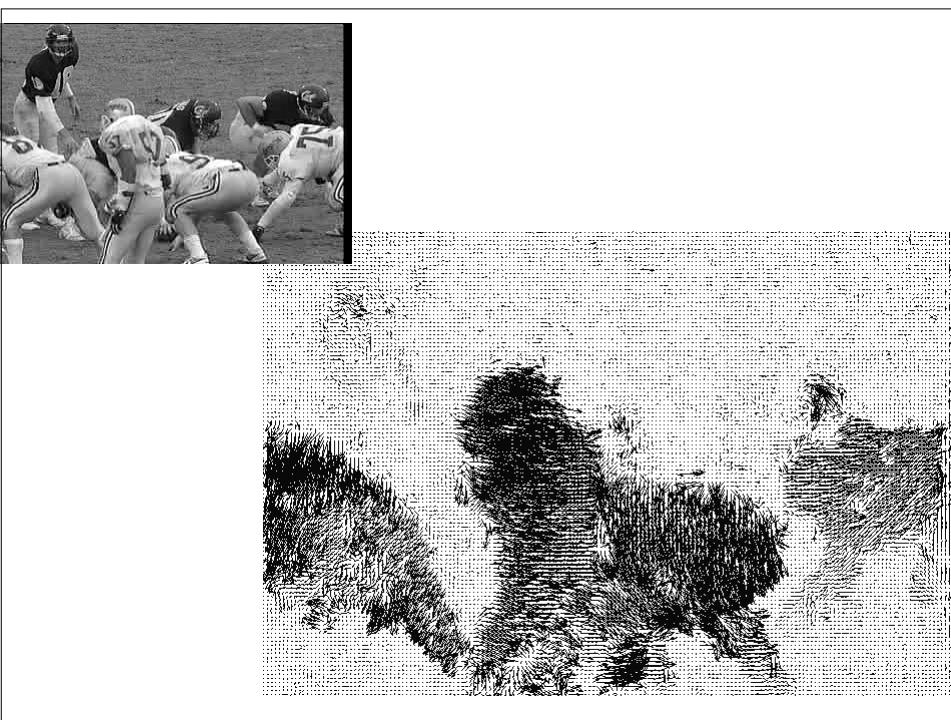
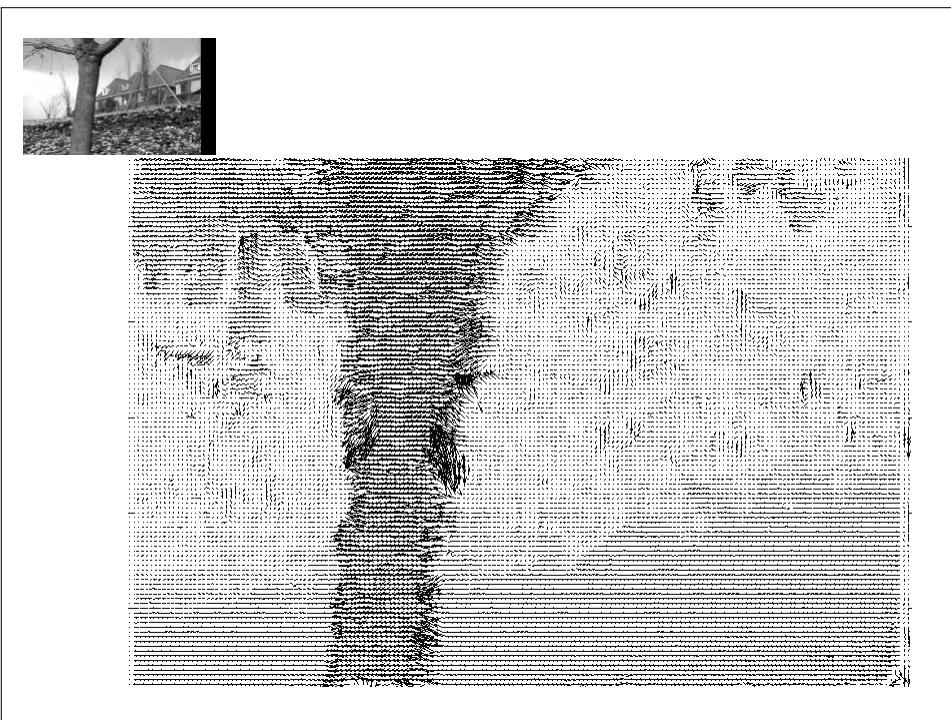
Lucas-Kanade  
without pyramids

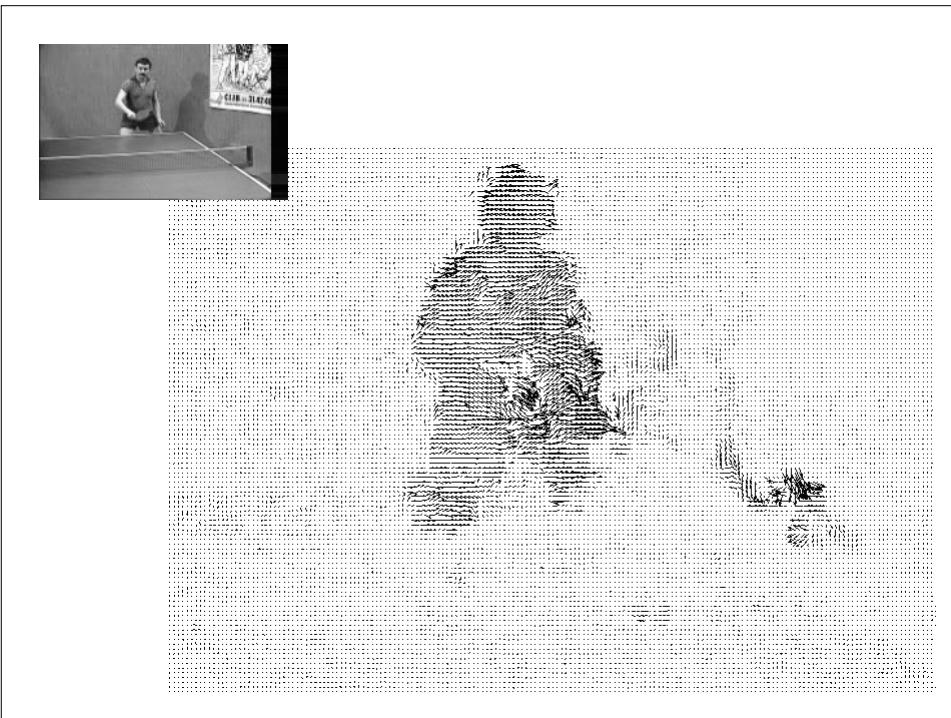
Fails in areas of large motion



Lucas-Kanade with Pyramids







Global Flow

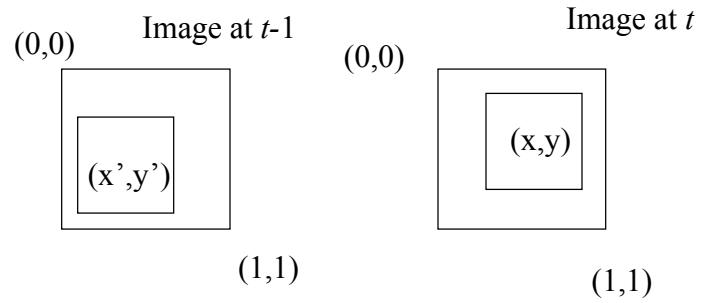
Anandan

Affine

## Global Motion

- Estimate motion using all pixels in the image.
- Parametric flow gives an equation, which describes optical flow for each pixel.
  - Affine
  - Projective
- Global motion can be used to
  - generate mosaics
  - Object-based segmentation

## Affine



$$u(x, y) = a_1x + a_2y + b_1$$

$$v(x, y) = a_3x + a_4y + b_2$$

$$X \sqsubseteq X \sqcup U$$

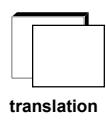
## Affine

$$u(x, y) = a_1x + a_2y + b_1$$

$$v(x, y) = a_3x + a_4y + b_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

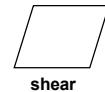
# Spatial Transformations



translation



rotation



shear



Rigid (rotation and translation)



affine

Anandan

$$u(x, y) = a_1x + a_2y + b_1$$

$$v(x, y) = a_3x + a_4y + b_2 \quad \bullet \text{Affine}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u(x, y) \\ v(x, y) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x & y & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x & y & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{a}$$

## Anandan

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{a}$$

Optical flow constraint eq  $f_x u + f_y v = \nabla f_t$

$$E(\nabla a) = \sum_{(x,y)} (f_t + f_x^T \nabla u)^2 \quad f_x = \begin{bmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E(\nabla a) = \sum_{(x,y)} (f_t + f_x^T \mathbf{X} \nabla a)^2$$

$$\min \quad \downarrow$$

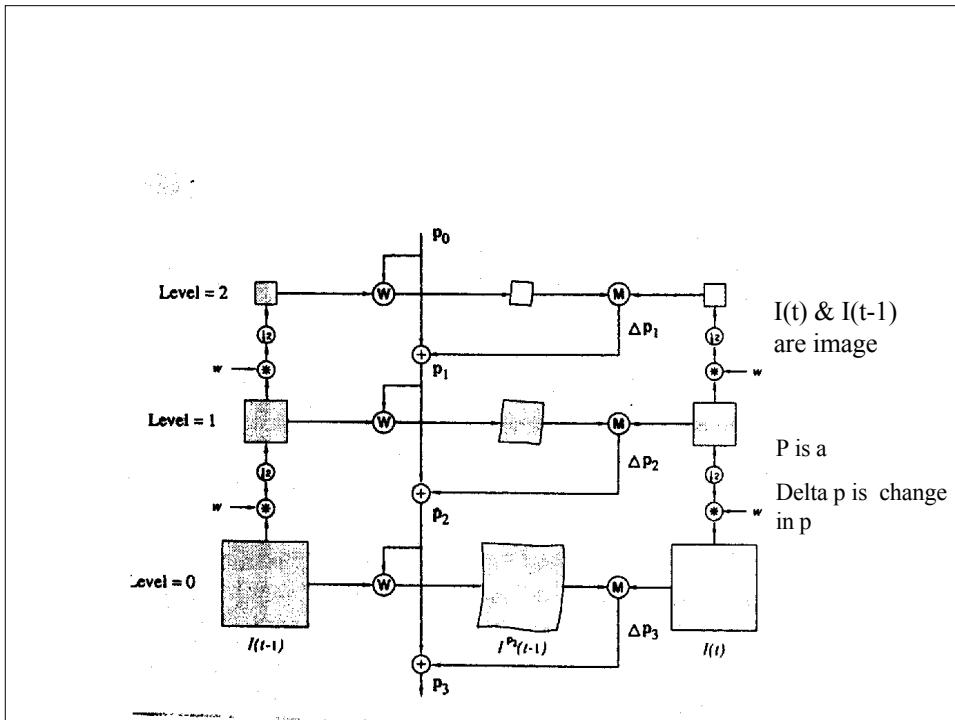
$$\left[ \sum X^T (f_x) (f_x)^T X \right] \nabla a = \sum X^T f_x f_t$$

$$Ax = b$$

Linear system

## Basic Components

- Pyramid construction
- Motion estimation
- Image warping
- Coarse-to-fine refinement



## Image Warping

- Warping an image  $f$  into image  $h$  using some transformation  $g$ , involves mapping intensity at each pixel  $(x, y)$  in image  $f$  to a pixel  $(g(x), g(y))$  in image  $h$  such that  

$$(x, y) = (g(x), g(y))$$
- In case of affine transformation,  $x = (x, y)$  is transformed to  $x' = (x', y')$  as:

$$x' = Ax + b$$

## Image Warping

$$\begin{aligned}
 X &= XU \\
 &= X(AX + b) \\
 &\quad \boxed{\text{square}} \qquad f(X_{t-1}) \qquad \boxed{\text{square}} \qquad f(X, t) \\
 &\quad \downarrow \text{warp} \qquad \qquad \qquad f(X_{t-1}) \\
 &\quad \boxed{\text{square}} \qquad \qquad \qquad (I \otimes A)^{-1}(X + b) = X \\
 &\qquad \qquad \qquad (A \otimes I)(X + b) = X
 \end{aligned}$$

## Image Warping

$$\begin{aligned}
 X &= XU = X(AX + b) && \text{Image at time t: } X \\
 X &= (I \otimes A)Xb && \text{Image at time t-1: } X' \\
 X &= AXb \\
 X + b &= AX \\
 (A \otimes I)(X + b) &= X \\
 &\quad \downarrow \\
 (A \otimes I)(X + b) &= X && X \quad X
 \end{aligned}$$

## Image Warping

- How about values in  $\theta$  are not integer.
- But image is sampled only at integer rows and columns
  - Instead of converting  $\theta$  to  $\theta'$  and copying at  $\theta'$  we can convert integer values  $\theta$  to  $\theta'$  and copy at  $\theta'$

## Image Warping

- But how about the values in  $\theta$  are not integer.
- Perform bilinear interpolation to compute at non-integer values.

## Image Warping

$$(A\otimes^{\otimes^1}(X\boxplus b) = X\otimes$$

$$(X\boxplus b) = (A\otimes X\otimes$$

$$X\boxplus = (A\otimes X\otimes\boxplus b \quad X\otimes\boxplus \quad X\lceil$$

## Warping

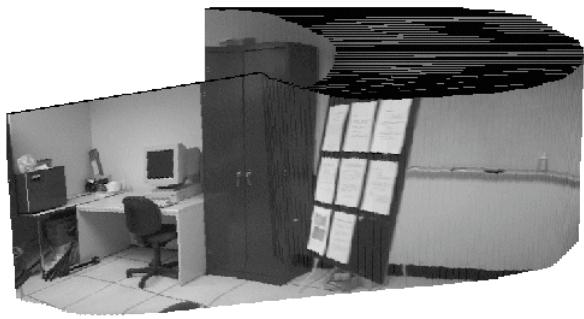


## Show Demos

## Video Mosaic



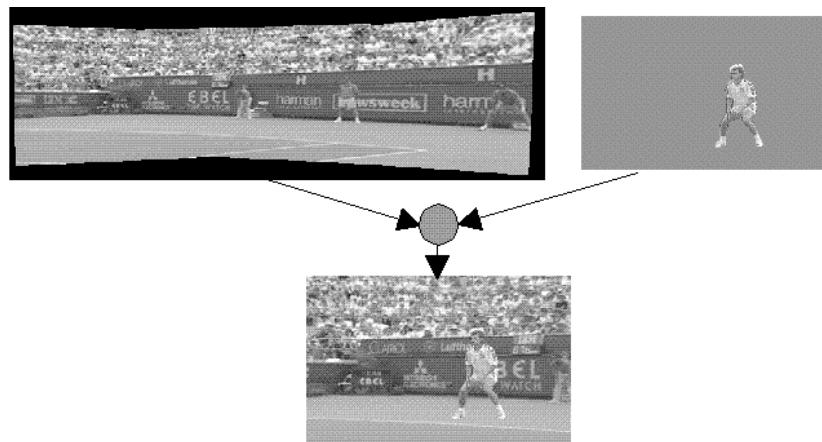
## Video Mosaic



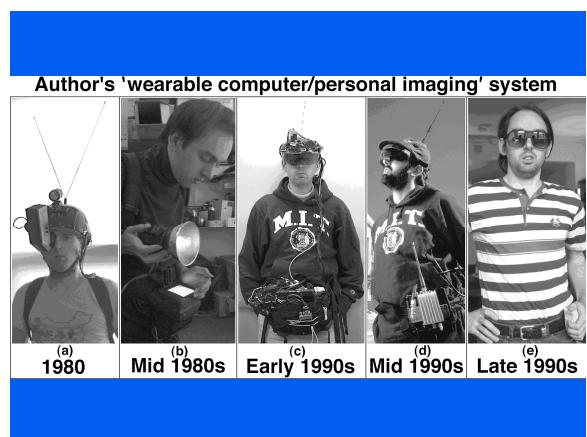
## Video Mosaic



## Sprite



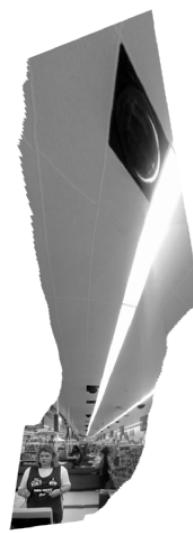
## Steve Mann



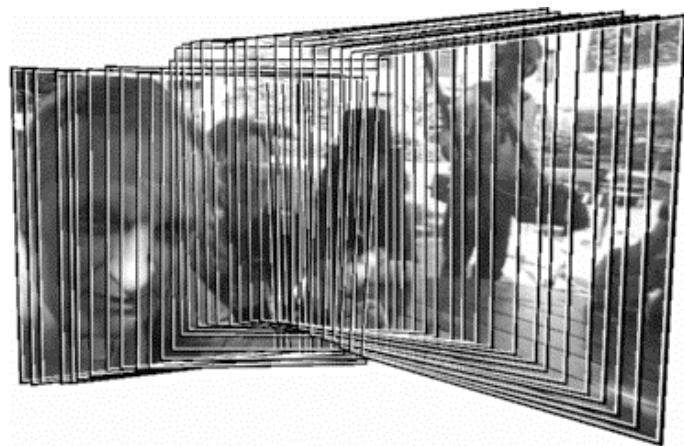
# Building



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## Head-mounted Camera at Restaurant



## MIT Media Lab



## Webpages

- <http://n1nlf1.eecg.toronto.edu/tip.ps.gz>  
Video Orbits of the projective group, S. Mann and R. Picard.
- <http://wearcam.org/pencigraphy>  
(C code for generating mosaics)