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CPSC 425: Computer Vision



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Lecture 14: Object Recognition, RANSAC, Hough Transform

Menu for Today (March 3, 2020)

Topics:

- Object Detection
- Model Fitting

Readings: — Today's & Next Lecture: Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) 10.1, 10.2

Reminders:

- Assignment 3: is due today
- Midterm is being graded (grades are expected next week)
- Assignment 4: will be available tonight / tomorrow

RANSACHough Transform

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Today's "fun" Example: Everybody Dance Now

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DwNet: Dense warp-based network for pose-guided human video generation

Polina Zablotskaia, Aliaksandr Siarohin, Bo Zhao and Leonid Sigal

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robust to 3D pose and illumination

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Four steps to SIFT feature generation:

1. Scale-space representation and local extrema detection

- use DoG pyramid
- 3 scales/octave, down-sample by factor of 2 each octave

2. Keypoint localization

- select stable keypoints (threshold on magnitude of extremum, ratio of principal curvatures)

3. Keypoint orientation assignment

- based on histogram of local image gradient directions

4. Keypoint descriptor

— histogram of local gradient directions — vector with $8 \times (4 \times 4) = 128$ dim

vector normalized (to unit length)

Lecture 13: Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG)

1 cell step size

Pedestrian detection

128 pixels 16 cells 15 blocks



64 pixels 8 cells 7 blocks

Redundant representation due to overlapping blocks

visualization



 $15 \times 7 \times 4 \times 9 =$ 3780







Lecture 13: 'Speeded' Up Robust Features

4 x 4 cell grid



Each cell is represented by 4 values: $\left[\sum d_x, \sum d_y, \sum |d_x|, \sum |d_y|\right]$

Haar wavelets filters (Gaussian weighted from center)



How big is the SURF descriptor? 64 dimensions

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Warping



changes domain of image function





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Aside: Warping with Different Transformations Projective Translation Affine (homography)







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Solution for **Affine** Parameters

Affine transform of [x, y] to [u, v]

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} u \\ v \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} m_1 \\ m_3 \end{array}\right]$$

Rewrite to solve for **transformation** parameters:

x_1	y_1	0	0
0	0	x_1	y_1
x_2	y_2	0	0
0	0	x_2	y_2
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		• • •	• • •

$$\begin{array}{c} m_2 \\ m_4 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} x \\ y \end{array} \right] + \left[\begin{array}{c} t_x \\ t_y \end{array} \right]$$

1 0 m_1 u_1 $0 \quad 1$ m_2 v_1 $1 \quad 0$ m_3 u_2 =0 1 m_4 v_2 t_x • • • t_{η} • • •

(6 equations 6 unknowns)

Solution for Affine Parameters

Suppose we have $k \ge 3$ matches, $[x_i, y_i]$ to $[u_i, v_i]$, $i = 1, 2, \cdots, k$ Then,

x_1	y_1	0	0
0	0	x_1	y_1
x_2	y_2	0	0
0	0	x_2	y_2
		• • •	• • •
		• • •	• • •
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0	0	x_k	y_k



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Limitation of this ...

We need to have **<u>exact</u>** matches

3D Object Recognition



Extract outlines with background subtraction

3D Object Recognition





Only 3 keypoints are needed for recognition, so extra keypoints provide robustness

Recognition Under Occlusion





Location Recognition



Example 1: Sony Aibo

- SIFT Usage
- Recognize charging station
- Communicate with visual cards

AIBO[®] Entertainment Robot

Official U.S. Resources and Online Destinations





Summary of Object Recognition with SIFT

- Match each keypoint independently to database of known keypoints extracted from "training" examples
- use fast (approximate) nearest neighbour matching
- threshold based on ratio of distances to best and to second best match
- Identify clusters of (at least) 3 matches that agree on an object and a similarity pose
- use generalized Hough transform
- **Check each cluster found** by performing detailed geometric fit of affine transformation to the model
- accept/reject interpretation accordingly

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Fitting a Model to Noisy Data

We can fit a line using two points

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that lie close to the line

- If we draw pairs of points uniformly at random, then about 1/4 of these pairs
- We can identify these good pairs by noticing that a large collection of other
- A better estimate of the line can be obtained by refitting the line to the points

RANSAC (RANdom SAmple Consensus)

- sample)
- Size of consensus set is model's **support**
- 3. Repeat for N samples; model with biggest support is most robust fit
 - Points within distance t of best model are inliers
 - Fit final model to all inliers

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Example 1: Fitting a Line



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Algorithm 10.4

This was Algorithm 15.4 in Forsyth & Ponce (1st ed.)

Algorithm 15.4: RANSAC: fitting lines using random sample consensus

Determine:

n — the smallest number of points required k — the number of iterations required t — the threshold used to identify a point that fits well d — the number of nearby points required to assert a model fits well Until k iterations have occurred Draw a sample of n points from the data uniformly and at random Fit to that set of n points For each data point outside the sample Test the distance from the point to the line against t; if the distance from the point to the line is less than t, the point is close end If there are d or more points close to the line then there is a good fit. Refit the line using all these points. end Use the best fit from this collection, using the

fitting error as a criterion

RANSAC: Fitting Lines Using Random Sample Consensus

RANSAC: How many samples?

Let ω be the fraction of inliers (i.e., points on line)

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$$\omega^n$$

$$(-\omega^n)^k$$

RANSAC: *k* Samples Chosen (p = 0.99)

Sample size	Proportion of outliers						
n	5%	10%	20%	25%	30%	40%	50%
2	2	3	5	6	7	11	17
3	3	4	7	9	11	19	35
4	3	5	9	13	17	34	72
5	4	6	12	17	26	57	146
6	4	7	16	24	37	97	293
7	4	8	20	33	54	163	588
8	5	9	26	44	78	272	1177

After RANSAC

from minimal set of inliers

Improve this initial estimate with estimation over all inliers (e.g., with standard least-squares minimization)

But this may change inliers, so alternate fitting with re-classification as inlier/ outlier

RANSAC divides data into inliers and outliers and yields estimate computed

Example 2: Fitting a Line



Figure Credit: Hartley & Zisserman





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Example 3: Automatic Matching of Images

— How to get correct correspondences without human intervention? - Can be used for image stitching or automatic determination of epipolar geometry





Example 3: Feature Extraction

- Find features in pair of images using Harris corner detector Assumes images are roughly the same scale



\approx 500 corner features found in each image

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Example 3: Finding Feature Matches

Select best match over threshold within a square search window (here ±320 pixels) using SSD or (normalized) cross-correlation for small patch around the corner



\approx 500 corner features found in each image



Example 3: Initial Match Hypothesis



268 matched features (over SSD threshold) superimposed on left image (pointing to locations of corresponding feature in right image)

Example 3: Outliers & Inliers after RANSAC -n is 4 for this problem (a homography relating 2 images)

- Assume up to 50% outliers
- -43 samples used with t = 1.25 pixels



117 outliers



151 inliers

Example 3: Final Matches



final set of 262 matches

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Discussion of RANSAC

Advantages:

- General method suited for a wide range of model fitting problems
- Easy to implement and easy to calculate its failure rate

Disadvantages:

- Many real problems have high rate of outliers (but sometimes selective choice of random subsets can help)

The Hough transform can handle high percentage of outliers

- Only handles a moderate percentage of outliers without cost blowing up

Example: Photo Tourism



Takes as input unstructured collections of photographs and reconstructs each photo's viewpoint and a sparse 3D model of the scene

Uses both SIFT and RANSAC

Figure credit: Snavely et al. 2006

Fitting a Model

Suppose we want to fit a model to a set of tokens

- e.g. A line fits well to a set of points. This is unlikely to be due to chance, so we represent the points as a line.

- e.g. A 3D model can be scaled, rotated and translated to closely fit a set of points or line segments. If it fits well, the object is recognized.

Fitting a Model is Difficult

Difficulties arise owing to:

Extraneous data: clutter or multiple models — We do not know what is part of the model clutter?

Missing data: only some parts of model are present Noise

Computational cost:

each possible subset

- Can we fit models with a few parts when there is significant background

— Not feasible to check all combinations of features by fitting a model to

Hough Transform

Idea of **Hough transform**:

- For each token vote for all models to which the token could belong
- Return models that get many votes

Example: For each point, vote for all lines that could pass through it; the true lines will pass through many points and so receive many votes

Lines: Slope intercept form





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Hough Transform: Image and Parameter Space



Image space

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Hough Transform: Image and Parameter Space



Image space

variables

y - mx = b

parameters

a line becomes a point



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Hough Transform: Image and Parameter Space



Image space

What would a **point** in image space become in parameter space?

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a point becomes a line



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two points?



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parameters



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four



Image space

How would you find the best fitting line?



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Image space

Is this method robust to measurement noise? clutter?



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Line Detection by Hough Transform

Algorithm:

- 1.Quantize Parameter Space(m,c)
- 2.Create Accumulator Array A(m,c)
- 3.Set $A(m,c) = 0 \quad \forall m,c$
- 4. For each image $edge(x_i, y_i)$ For each element in A(m)If (m,c) lies on the line Increment A(m,c) = A(m)

5. Find local maxima in A(m,c)

$$(a, c)$$

$$(a, c) = -x_i m + y_i$$

$$(a, c) + 1$$

y
$$(m,c)$$

Parameter Space



Problems with **Parametrization**

How big does the accumulator need to be for the parameterization (m,c)?



A(m,c)

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The space of m is huge!

A(m,c)

 $-\infty \leq m \leq \infty$

The space of c is huge!

$-\infty \leq C \leq \infty$

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Lines: Normal form

$x\sin\theta + y\cos\theta = \rho$

Book's convention

$x\sin\theta + y\cos\theta + r = 0$ $r \ge 0$ $0 < \theta < 2\pi$



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Image space



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a point becomes?



Image space



Parameter space

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a point becomes a wave



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a line becomes a point



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Hough Transform for Lines (switching to books notation)

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- For any (x, y) there is a one parameter family of lines through this point. Just let (x, y) be constants and for each value of θ the value of r will be determined
- Each point enters votes for each line in the family
- If there is a line that has lots of votes, that will be the line passing near the points that voted for it







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Example: Clean Data



Tokens



Votes Horizontal axis is θ Vertical Axis is r Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) Figure 10.1 (Top) 99

Example: Some Noise





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Example: Too Much Noise



Tokens



Votes Horizontal axis is θ Vertical Axis is r Forsyth & Ponce (2nd ed.) Figure 10.2 101

Real World **Example**





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Real World **Example**



Original

Edges





Parameter space

Hough Lines

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