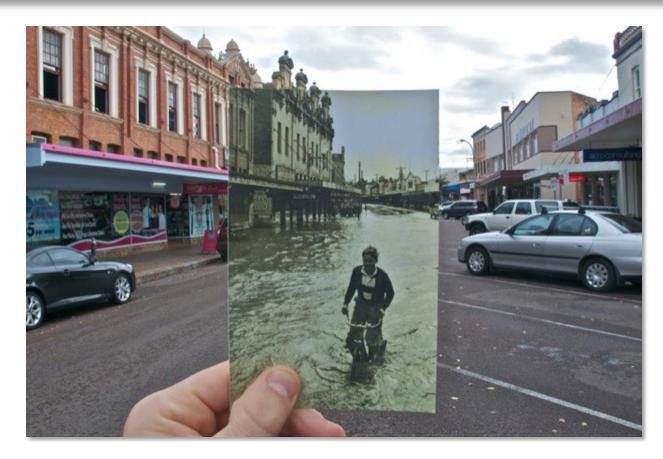
CS5760: Computer Vision Image alignment



http://www.wired.com/gadgetlab/2010/07/camera-software-lets-you-see-into-the-past/

Reading

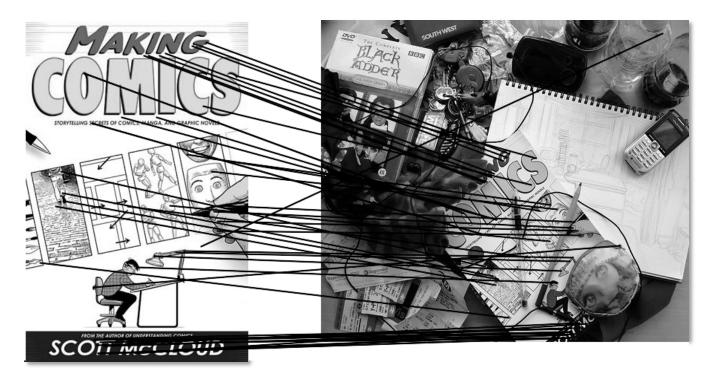
• Szeliski: Chapter 6.1

Announcements

- Project 2 out, due Monday, March 2, by 11:59pm on CMSX
 - Report due Wednesday, March 4, by 11:59pm on CMSX
 - Please form teams of 2, and create your team on CMSX
 - Please declare your group on CMSX by this today
 - After today, we will randomly assign ungrouped students to groups
 - Feel free to use Piazza to form groups
- Take home midterm
 - To be released Wednesday, March 4
 - Due Monday, March 9

Computing transformations

- Given a set of matches between images A and B
 - How can we compute the transform T from A to B?



- Find transform T that best "agrees" with the matches

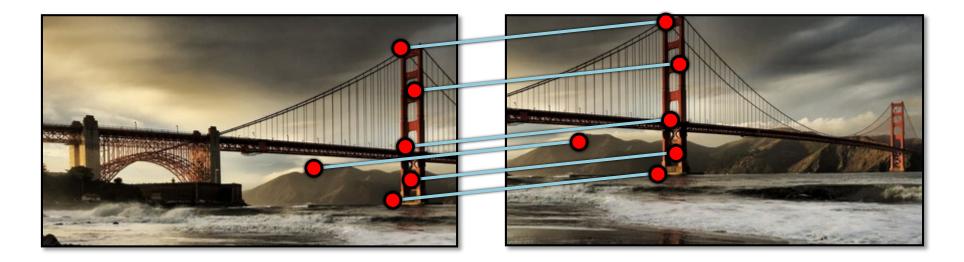
Computing transformations







Simple case: translations

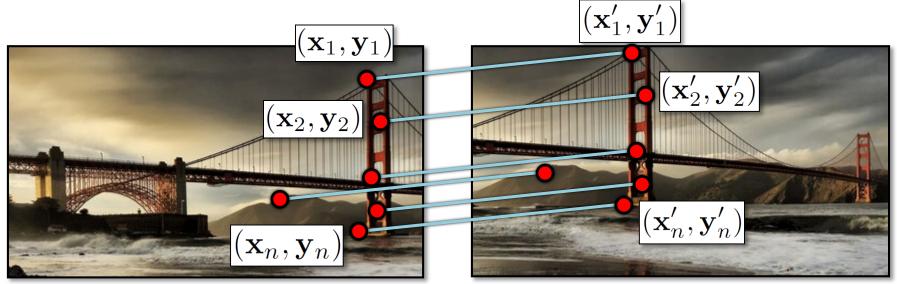




How do we solve for $(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)$?

 \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}

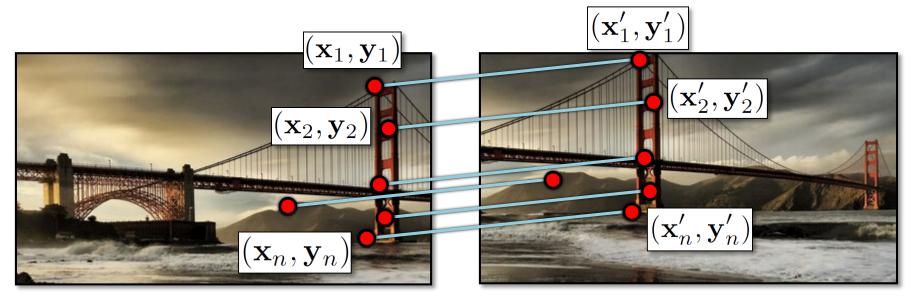
Simple case: translations



Displacement of match
$$i = (\mathbf{x}'_i - \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}'_i - \mathbf{y}_i)$$

 $(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}'_i - \mathbf{x}_i, \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{y}'_i - \mathbf{y}_i\right)$

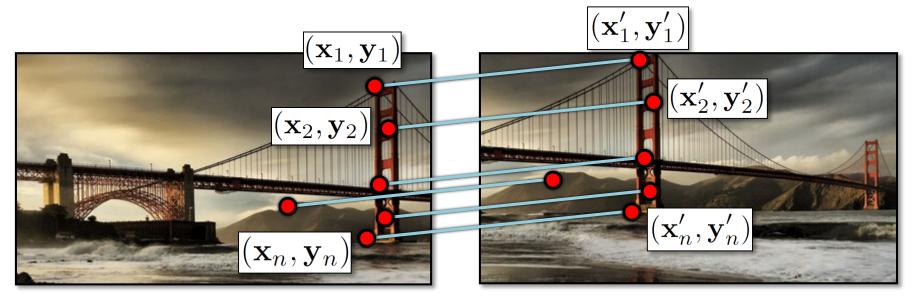
Another view



$$egin{array}{rll} \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x_t} &=& \mathbf{x}'_i \ \mathbf{y}_i + \mathbf{y_t} &=& \mathbf{y}'_i \end{array}$$

- System of linear equations
 - What are the knowns? Unknowns?
 - How many unknowns? How many equations (per match)?

Another view



$$egin{array}{rll} \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x_t} &=& \mathbf{x}_i' \ \mathbf{y}_i + \mathbf{y_t} &=& \mathbf{y}_i' \end{array}$$

- Problem: more equations than unknowns
 - "Overdetermined" system of equations
 - We will find the *least squares* solution

Least squares formulation

- For each point $(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i)$ $\mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{x}'_i$ $\mathbf{y}_i + \mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{y}'_i$
- we define the *residuals* as

$$r_{\mathbf{x}_i}(\mathbf{x}_t) = (\mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x}_t) - \mathbf{x}'_i$$
$$r_{\mathbf{y}_i}(\mathbf{y}_t) = (\mathbf{y}_i + \mathbf{y}_t) - \mathbf{y}'_i$$

Least squares formulation

• Goal: minimize sum of squared residuals

$$C(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(r_{\mathbf{x}_i}(\mathbf{x}_t)^2 + r_{\mathbf{y}_i}(\mathbf{y}_t)^2 \right)$$

- "Least squares" solution
- For translations, is equal to mean (average) displacement

Least squares formulation

• Can also write as a matrix equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_t \\ y_t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x'_1 - x_1 \\ y'_1 - y_1 \\ x'_2 - x_2 \\ y'_2 - y_2 \\ \vdots \\ x'_n - x_n \\ y'_n - y_n \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ x'_n - x_n \\ y'_n - y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Least squares

$$At = b$$

• Find **t** that minimizes

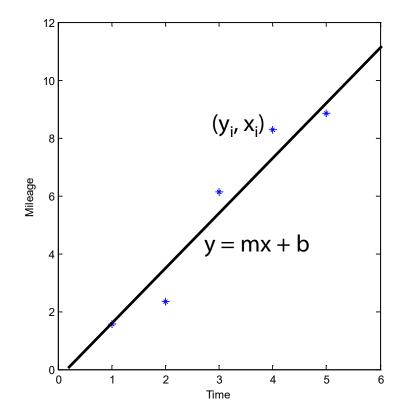
 $||\mathbf{At} - \mathbf{b}||^2$

• To solve, form the normal equations

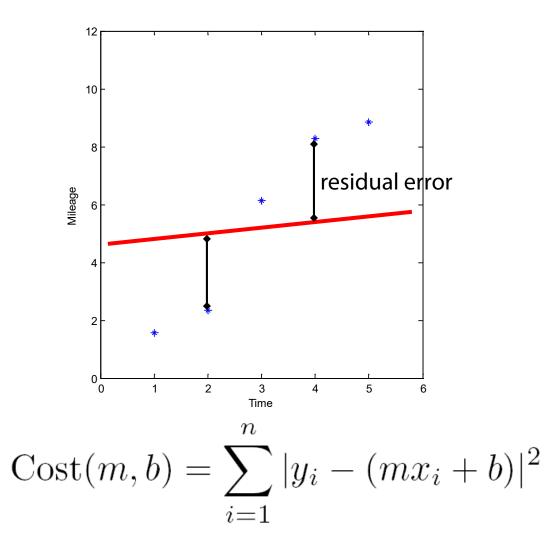
$$\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{b}$$
$$\mathbf{t} = \left(\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\right)^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{b}$$

Questions?

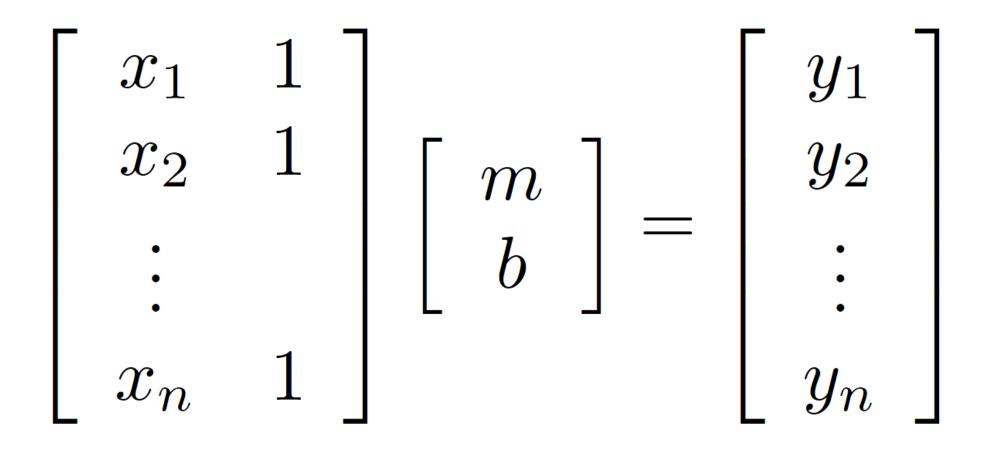
Least squares: linear regression



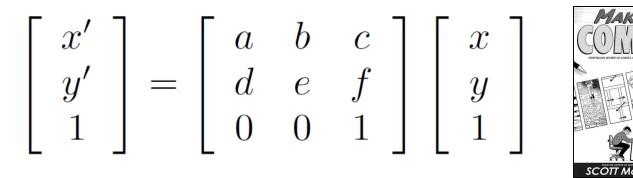
Linear regression



Linear regression



Affine transformations





- How many unknowns?
- How many equations per match?
- How many matches do we need?

Affine transformations

• Residuals:

$$r_{x_i}(a, b, c, d, e, f) = (ax_i + by_i + c) - x'_i$$

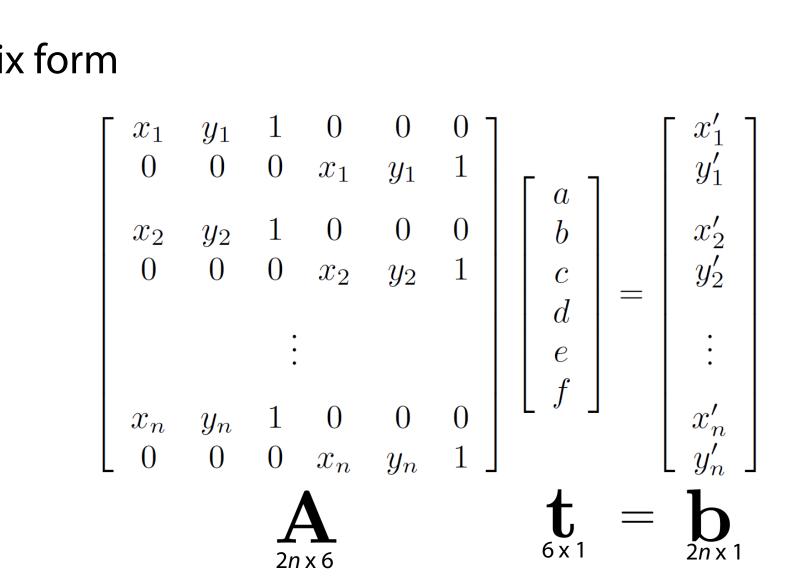
$$r_{y_i}(a, b, c, d, e, f) = (dx_i + ey_i + f) - y'_i$$

• Cost function:

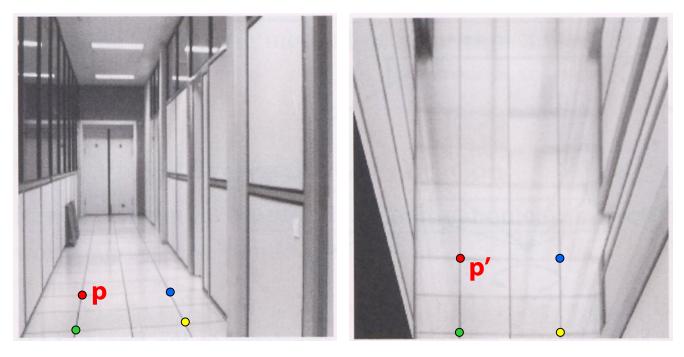
$$C(a, b, c, d, e, f) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(r_{x_i}(a, b, c, d, e, f)^2 + r_{y_i}(a, b, c, d, e, f)^2 \right)$$

Affine transformations

• Matrix form



Homographies



To unwarp (rectify) an image

- solve for homography H given p and p'
- solve equations of the form: wp' = Hp
 - linear in unknowns: w and coefficients of H
 - H is defined up to an arbitrary scale factor
 - how many points are necessary to solve for H?

Solving for homographies

$$\begin{bmatrix} x'_i \\ y'_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cong \begin{bmatrix} h_{00} & h_{01} & h_{02} \\ h_{10} & h_{11} & h_{12} \\ h_{20} & h_{21} & h_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x'_{i} = \frac{h_{00}x_{i} + h_{01}y_{i} + h_{02}}{h_{20}x_{i} + h_{21}y_{i} + h_{22}}$$

$$y'_{i} = \frac{h_{10}x_{i} + h_{11}y_{i} + h_{12}}{h_{20}x_{i} + h_{21}y_{i} + h_{22}}$$

Not linear!

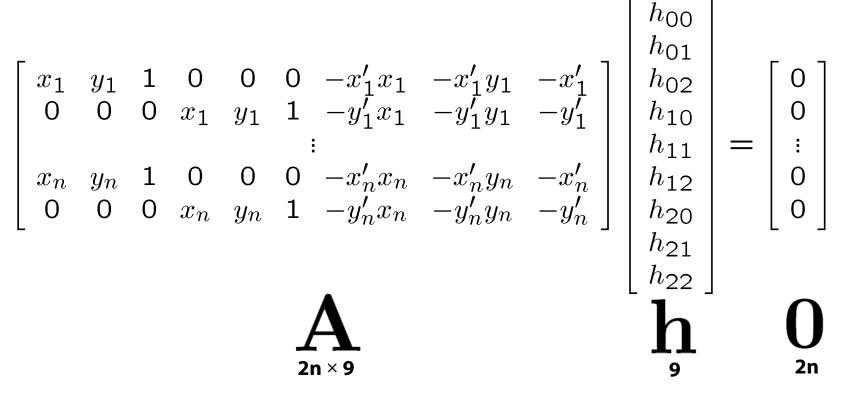
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$$\begin{bmatrix} x_i & y_i & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x'_i x_i & -x'_i y_i & -x'_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x_i & y_i & 1 & -y'_i x_i & -y'_i y_i & -y'_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{00} \\ h_{01} \\ h_{02} \\ h_{10} \\ h_{11} \\ h_{12} \\ h_{20} \\ h_{21} \\ h_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving for homographies



Defines a least squares problem: minimize $||Ah - 0||^2$

- Since ${f h}$ is only defined up to scale, solve for unit vector ${f \hat h}$
- Solution: $\hat{\mathbf{h}}$ = eigenvector of $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ with smallest eigenvalue
- Works with 4 or more points

Recap: Two Common Optimization Problems

Problem statement	Solution
minimize $\ \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\ ^2$ (least squares solution to $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$)	$\mathbf{x} = \left(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b}$ $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} \setminus \mathbf{b} \text{ (matlab)}$
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Computing transformations







Questions?

Image Alignment Algorithm

Given images A and B

- 1. Compute image features for A and B
- 2. Match features between A and B
- 3. Compute homography between A and B using least squares on set of matches

What could go wrong?

Outliers

