



Image warping and stitching part 2



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After class: vision job talk

- Carl Vondrick, MIT
- 11 AM in GDC auditorium
- “Predictive vision”



- <http://web.mit.edu/vondrick/tinyvideo/>

Outline: Image stitching

- Last time:
 - RANSAC general case
 - Fitting a 2D transformation
 - Affine, Homography
 - A2 results from the class
- Today:
 - 2D image warping
 - Computing an image mosaic
 - Midterm returned

Mosaics

Obtain a wider angle view by combining multiple images.

Main questions

Alignment: Given two images, what is the transformation between them?

Warping: Given a source image and a transformation, what does the transformed output look like?

How to stitch together a panorama (a.k.a. mosaic)?

- **Basic Procedure**
 - Take a sequence of images from the same position
 - Rotate the camera about its optical center
 - Compute transformation between second image and first
 - Transform the second image to overlap with the first
 - Blend the two together to create a mosaic
 - (If there are more images, repeat)
- ...but **wait**, why should this work at all?
 - What about the 3D geometry of the scene?
 - Why aren't we using it?

Source: Steve Seitz

Mosaics: generating synthetic views

Can generate any synthetic camera view as long as it has the **same center of projection!**

Source: Alyosha Efros

Image reprojection

The mosaic has a natural interpretation in 3D

- The images are reprojected onto a common plane
- The mosaic is formed on this plane
- Mosaic is a *synthetic wide-angle camera*

Source: Steve Seitz

Image reprojection

Basic question

- How to relate two images from the same camera center?
 - how to map a pixel from PP1 to PP2

Answer

- Cast a ray through each pixel in PP1
- Draw the pixel where that ray intersects PP2

Observation:
Rather than thinking of this as a 3D reprojection, think of it as a 2D **image warp** from one image to another.

Source: Alyosha Efros

Image reprojection: Homography

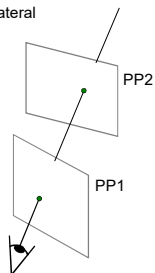
A projective transform is a mapping between any two PPs with the same center of projection

- rectangle should map to arbitrary quadrilateral
- parallel lines aren't
- but must preserve straight lines

called **Homography**

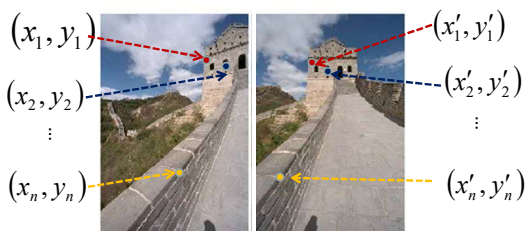
$$\begin{bmatrix} wx' \\ wy' \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{p}$$



Source: Alyosha Efros

Homography



To **compute** the homography given pairs of corresponding points in the images, we need to set up an equation where the parameters of **H** are the unknowns...

Solving for homographies

$$\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{p}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} wx' \\ wy' \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can set scale factor $w=1$. So, there are 8 unknowns.
Set up a system of linear equations:

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{b}$$

where vector of unknowns $\mathbf{h} = [a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h]^T$

Need at least 8 eqs, but the more the better...

Solve for \mathbf{h} . If overconstrained, solve using least-squares:

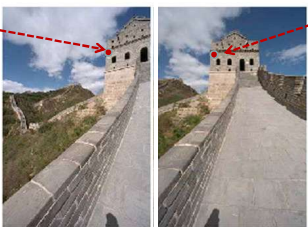
$$\min \| \mathbf{A} \mathbf{h} - \mathbf{b} \|^2$$

>> help mldivide

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Homography

(x, y)



$$\begin{pmatrix} wx'/w & wy'/w \end{pmatrix} = (x', y')$$

To **apply** a given homography **H**

- Compute $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}$ (regular matrix multiply)
- Convert \mathbf{p}' from homogeneous to image coordinates

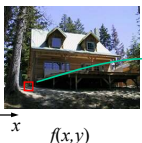
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$\mathbf{p}' \qquad \mathbf{H} \qquad \mathbf{p}$

Now


- Image mosaics
 - Fitting a 2D transformation
 - Affine, Homography
 - 2D image warping
 - Computing an image mosaic

Image warping



$f(x,y)$

$T(x,y)$



$g(x',y')$

Given a coordinate transform and a source image $f(x,y)$, how do we compute a transformed image $g(x',y') = f(T(x,y))$?

Slide from Alyosha Efros, CMU

Forward warping

Send each pixel $f(x,y)$ to its corresponding location $(x',y') = T(x,y)$ in the second image

Q: what if pixel lands "between" two pixels?

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Forward warping

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Q: what if pixel lands "between" two pixels?

A: distribute color among neighboring pixels (x',y')

– Known as "splating"

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Inverse warping

Get each pixel $g(x',y')$ from its corresponding location $(x,y) = T^{-1}(x',y')$ in the first image

Q: what if pixel comes from "between" two pixels?

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Inverse warping

Get each pixel $g(x', y')$ from its corresponding location $(x, y) = T^{-1}(x', y')$ in the first image

Q: what if pixel comes from "between" two pixels?
 A: *Interpolate* color value from neighbors
 - nearest neighbor, bilinear...

Slide from Alyosha Efros, CMU >> help interp2

Bilinear interpolation

Sampling at $f(x, y)$:

$$f(x, y) = (1-a)(1-b) f[i, j] + a(1-b) f[i+1, j] + ab f[i+1, j+1] + (1-a)b f[i, j+1]$$

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Recall: generating synthetic views

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Recap: How to stitch together a panorama (a.k.a. mosaic)?

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Image warping with homographies

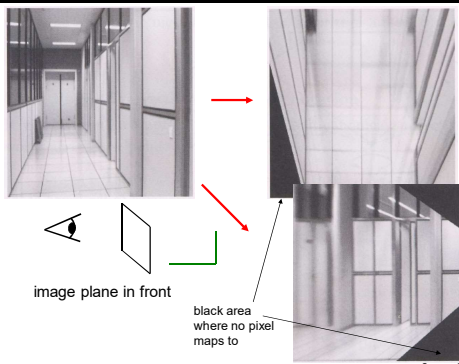
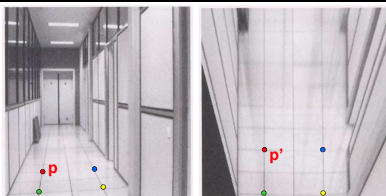
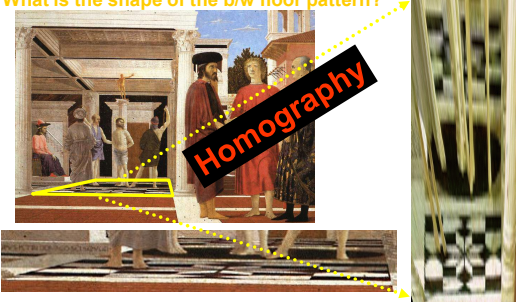


Image rectification



Analysing patterns and shapes

What is the shape of the b/w floor pattern?



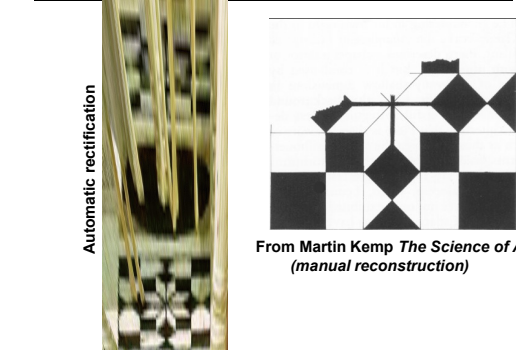
Homography

The floor (enlarged)

Automatically rectified floor

Slide from Antonio Criminisi

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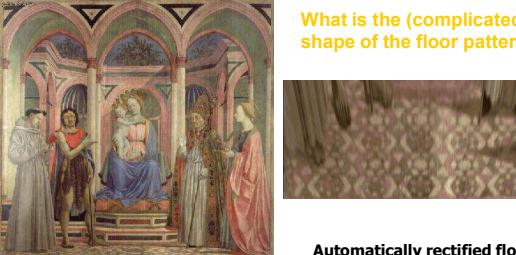
Automatic rectification

From Martin Kemp *The Science of Art (manual reconstruction)*

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Analysing patterns and shapes

What is the (complicated) shape of the floor pattern?



Automatically rectified floor

St. Lucy Altarpiece, D. Veneziano

Slide from Criminisi

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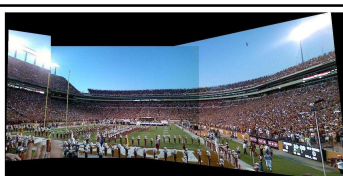
From the news (and then photoshop)



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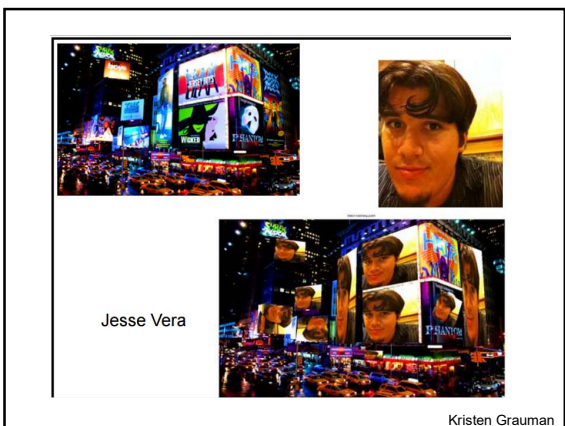


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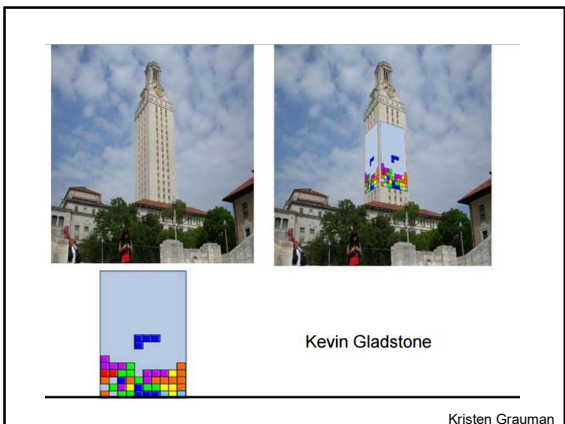


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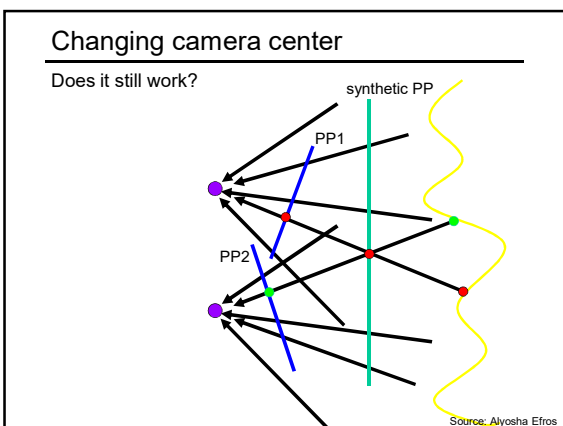
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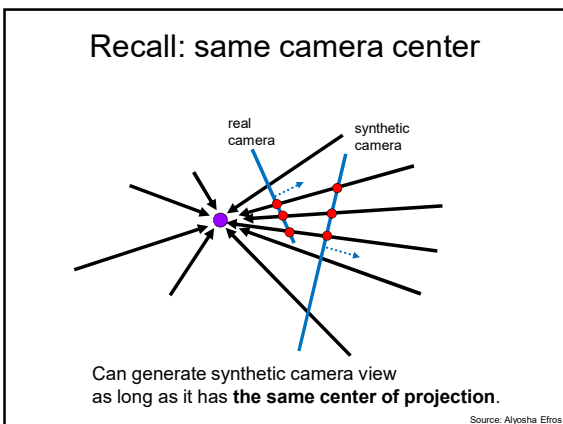


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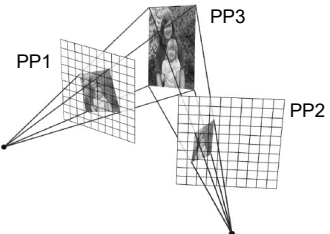
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...Or: Planar scene (or far away)



PP3 is a projection plane of both centers of projection, so we are OK!
This is how big aerial photographs are made

Source: Alysha Eros





Boundary extension

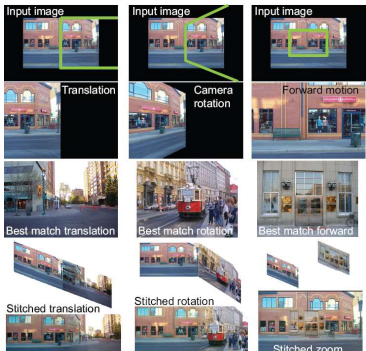
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Input image Input image Input image Current view, and desired view in green

Translation Camera rotation Forward motion Synthesized view from new camera

Best match translation Best match rotation Best match forward

Induced camera motion

Stitched translation Stitched rotation Stitched zoom

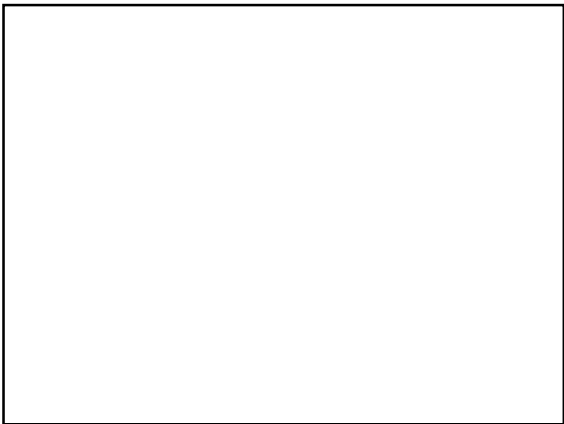
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Summary: alignment & warping

- Write **2d transformations** as matrix-vector multiplication (including translation when we use homogeneous coordinates)
- Perform **image warping** (forward, inverse)
- **Fitting transformations**: solve for unknown parameters given corresponding points from two views (affine, projective (homography)).
- **Mosaics**: uses homography and image warping to merge views taken from same center of projection.



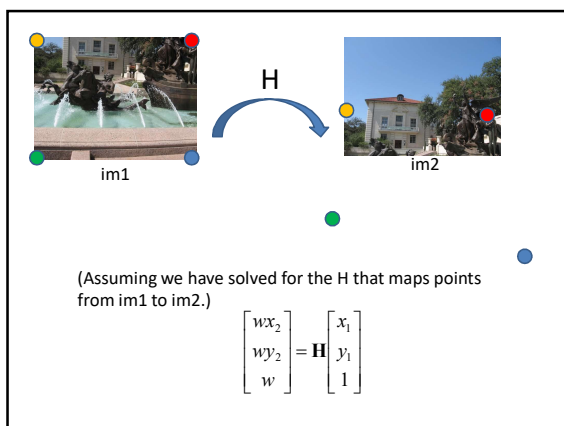
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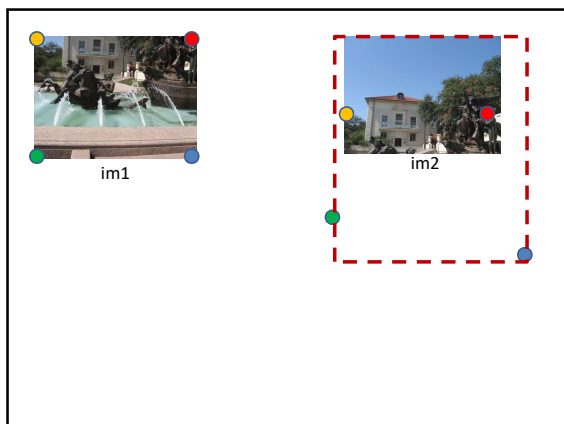
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(Assuming we have solved for the H that maps points from im1 to im2.)

Use `interp2` to ask for the colors (possibly interpolated) from im1 at all the positions needed in im2's reference frame.

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