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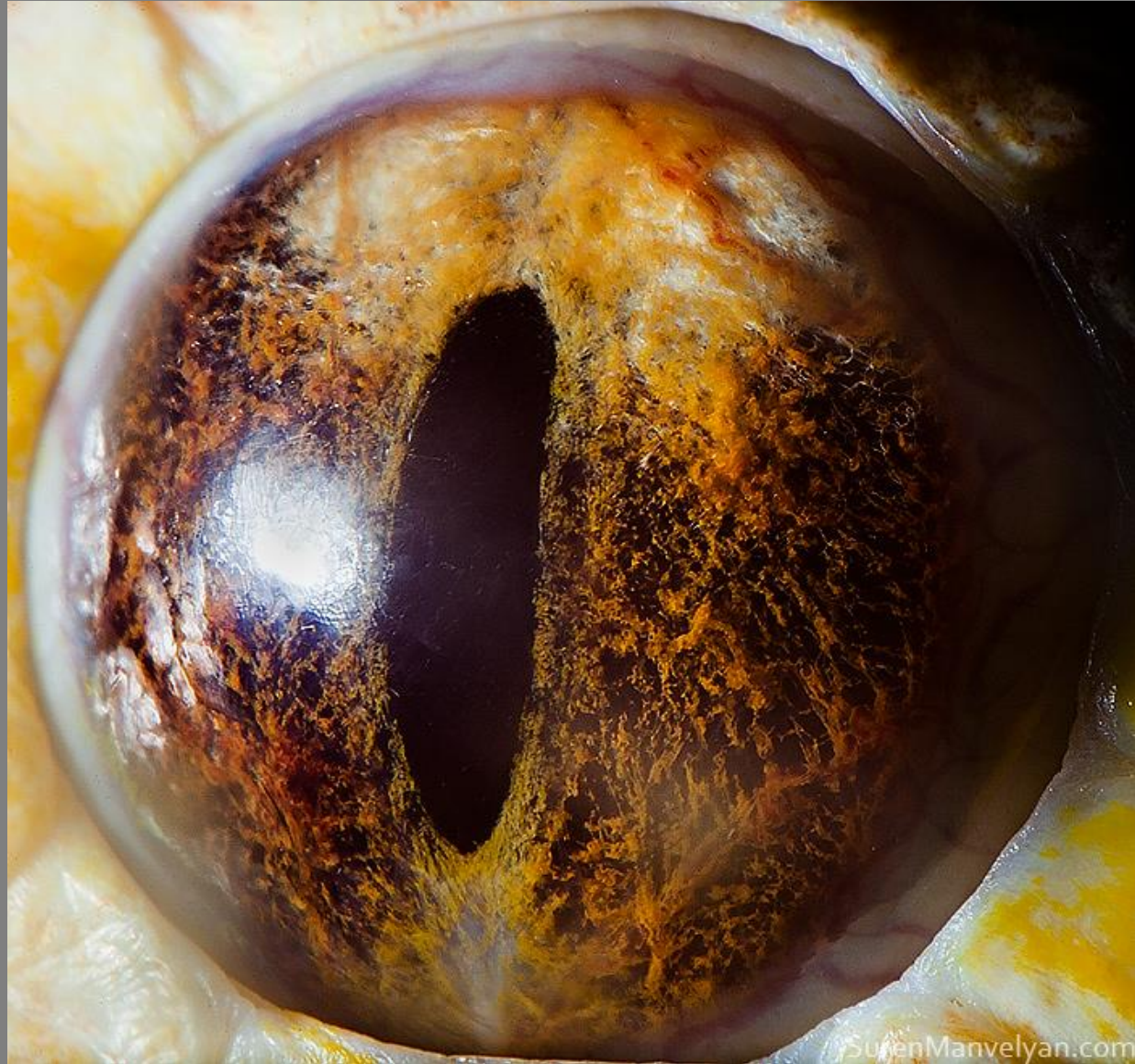


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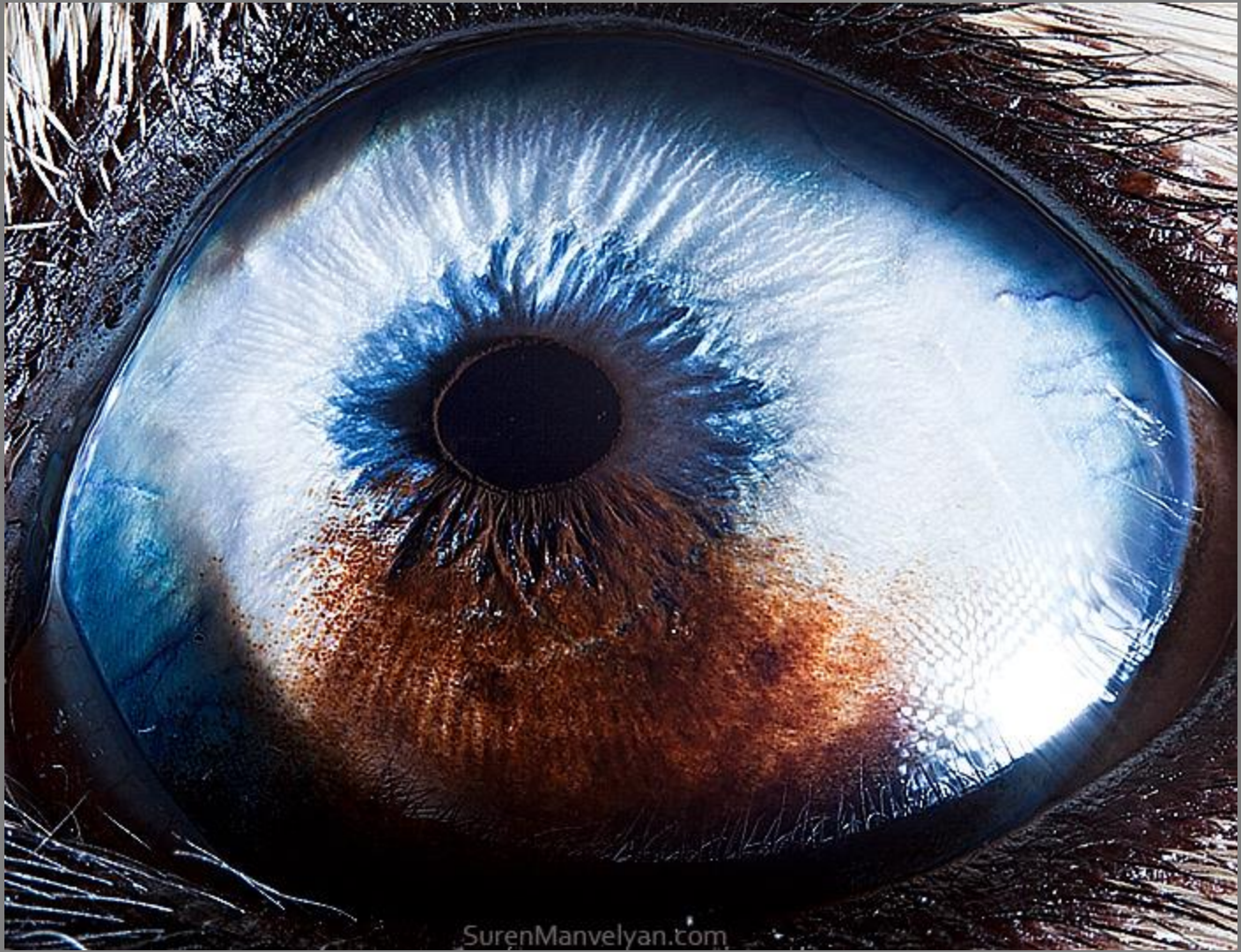






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Indy

Heterochromia iridum

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Not to be confused with [Heterochromatin](#) or [Dichromatic \(disambiguation\)](#).

In anatomy, **heterochromia** ([ancient Greek](#): ἕτερος, *héteros*, different + χρώμα, *chróma*, color^[1]) is a difference in [coloration](#), usually of the [iris](#) but also of [hair](#) or [skin](#).

Heterochromia is a result of the relative excess or lack of [melanin](#) (a [pigment](#)). It may be [inherited](#), or caused by genetic [mosaicism](#), [chimerism](#), [disease](#), or [injury](#).^[2]

Heterochromia of the [eye](#) (***heterochromia iridis*** or ***heterochromia iridum***) is of three kinds. In *complete heterochromia*, one iris is a different color from the other. In *sectoral heterochromia*, part of one iris is a different color from its remainder and finally in "central heterochromia" there are spikes of different colours radiating from the pupil.

Heterochromia



Complete heterochromia in human eyes: one brown and one green/hazel

Classification and external resources

Specialty	ophthalmology
ICD-10	Q13.2 ↗ , H20.8 ↗ , L67.1 ↗
ICD-9-CM	364.53 ↗
OMIM	142500 ↗
DiseasesDB	31289 ↗

The Spectrum of Biological Inspiration



Radar



Lidar



Traditional cameras



Tesla autopilot



Humanoid and Quadruped robots

Less biologically inspired

More biologically inspired



Canvas Quiz

Interest Points and Corners

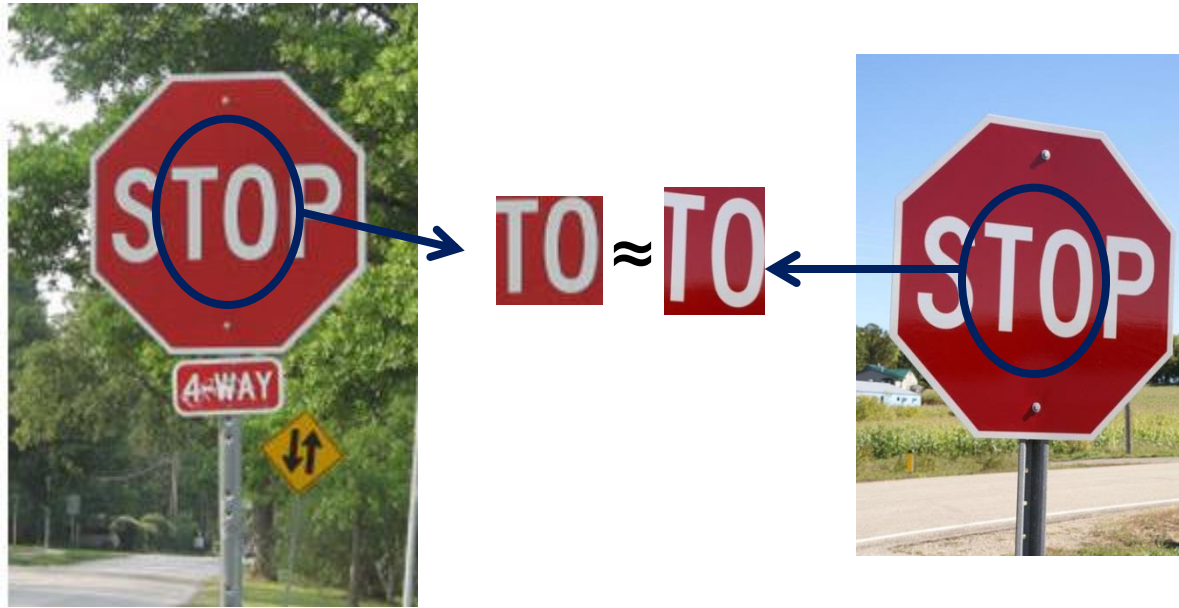
Computer Vision

James Hays

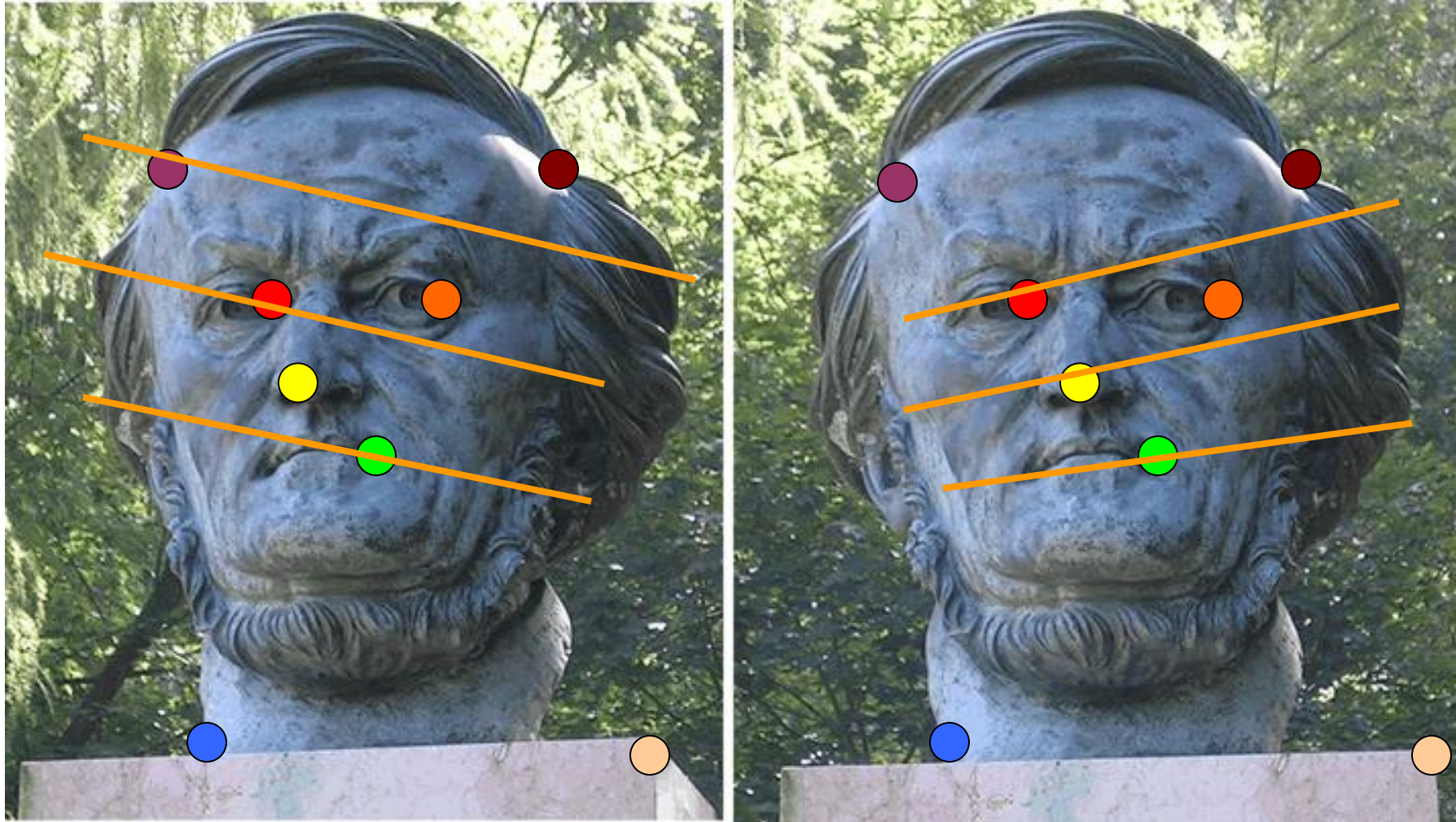
Read Szeliski 7.1.1 and 7.1.2

Correspondence across views

- Correspondence: matching points, patches, edges, or regions across images



Example: estimating “fundamental matrix” that corresponds two views

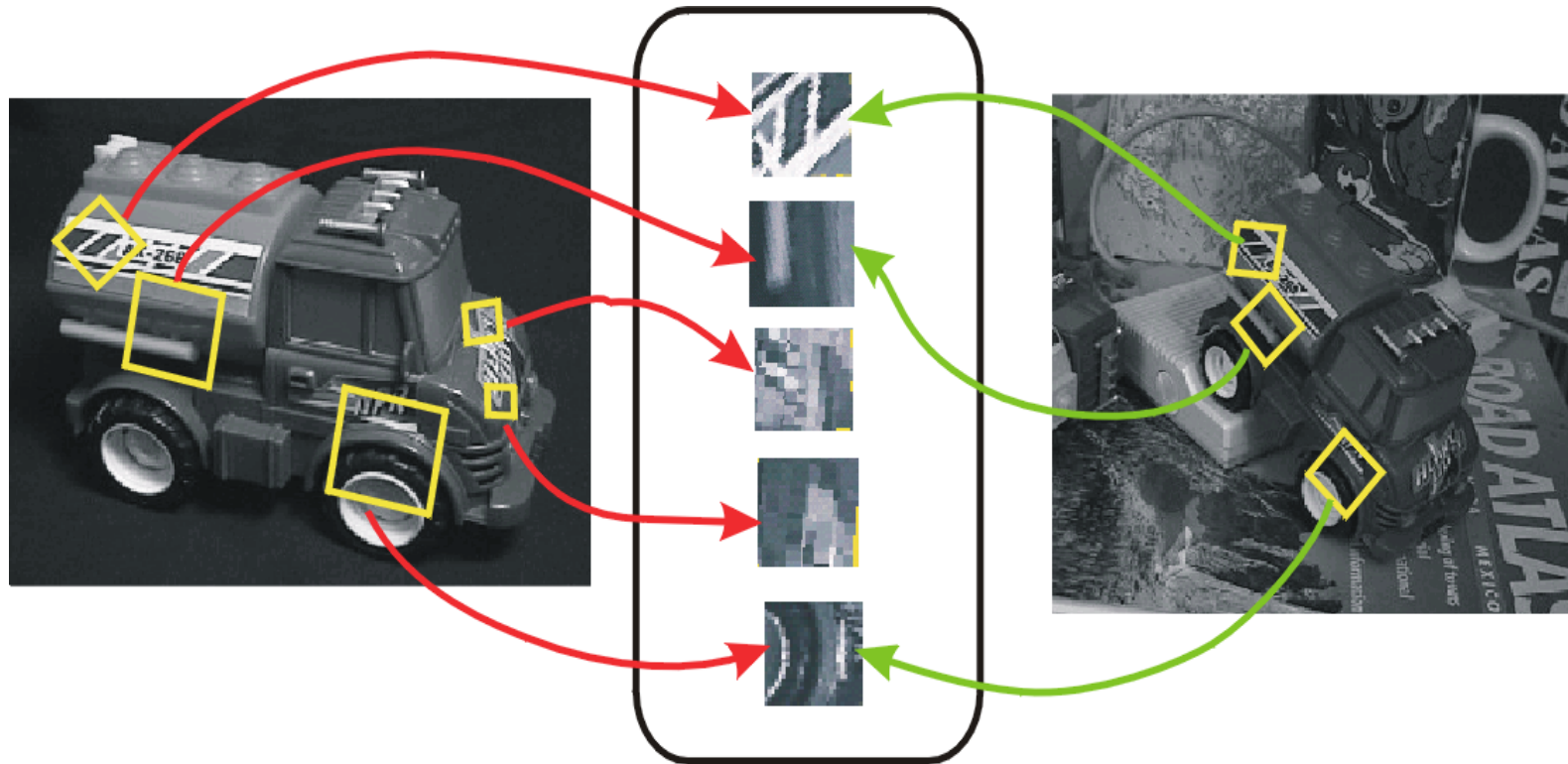


Application: structure from motion



Invariant Local Features

Image content is transformed into local feature coordinates that are invariant to translation, rotation, scale, and other imaging parameters



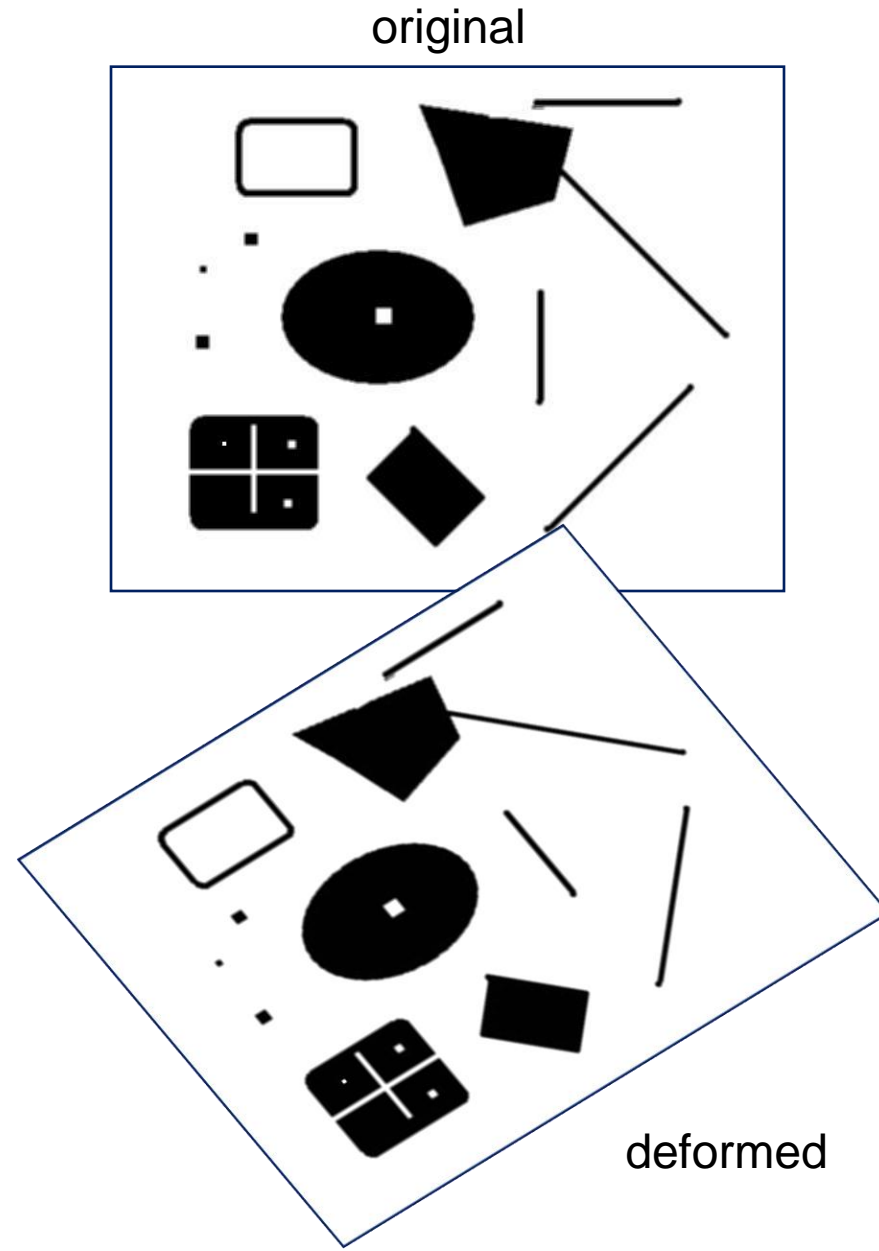
Features Descriptors

Project 2: interest points and local features

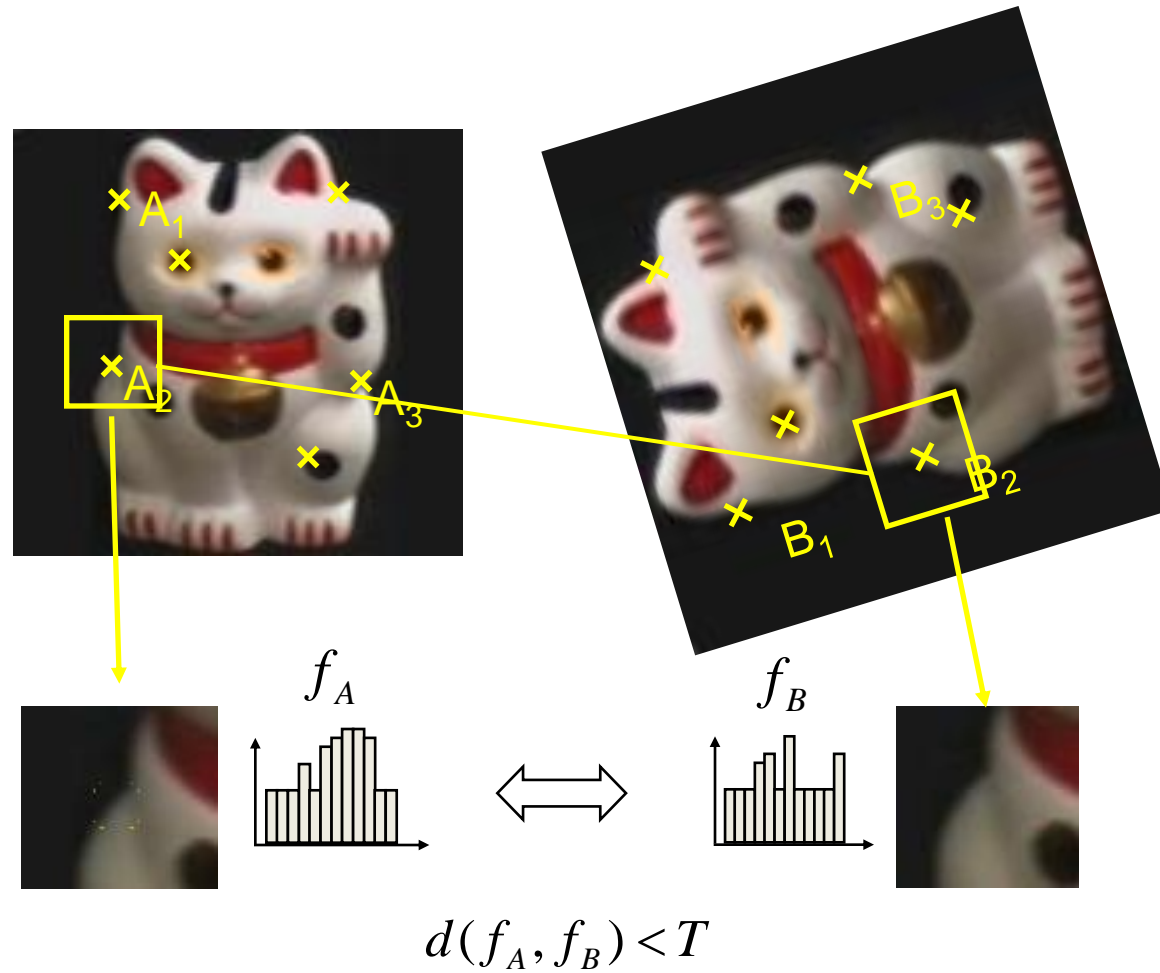
- Note: “interest points” = “keypoints”, also sometimes called “features”

This class: interest points

- Suppose you have to click on some point, go away and come back after I deform the image, and click on the same points again.
 - Which points would you choose?



Overview of Keypoint Matching



1. Find a set of distinctive keypoints

2. Compute a local descriptor from the region around each keypoint

3. Match local descriptors

Goals for Keypoints



Detect points that are *repeatable* and *distinctive*

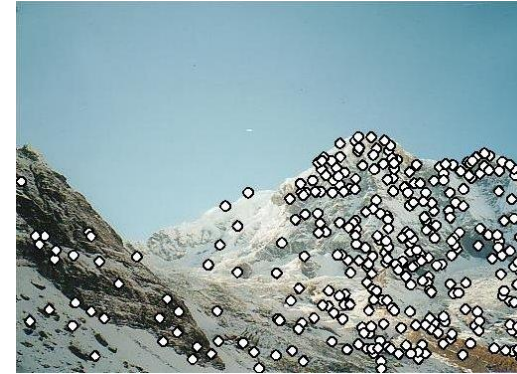
Why extract features?

- Motivation: panorama stitching
 - We have two images – how do we combine them?



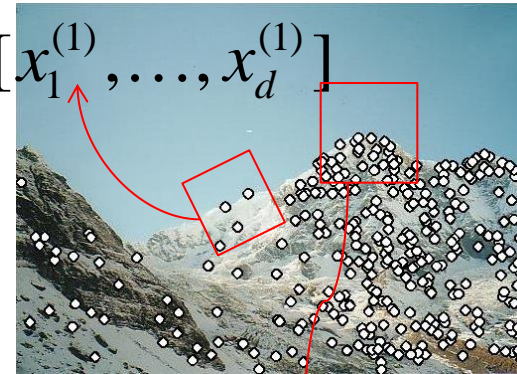
Local features: main components

1) Detection: Identify the interest points



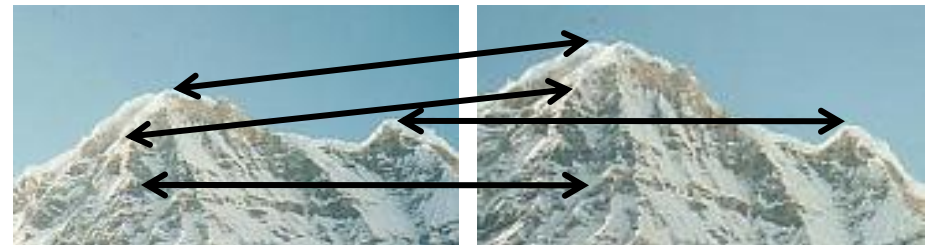
2) Description: Extract vector feature descriptor surrounding each interest point.

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = [x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_d^{(1)}]$$

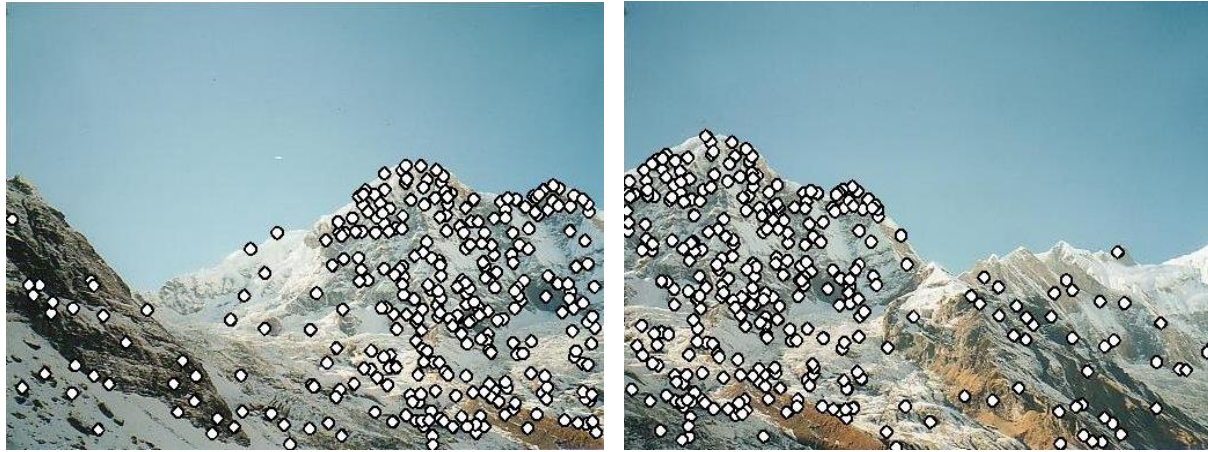


$$\mathbf{x}_2 = [x_1^{(2)}, \dots, x_d^{(2)}]$$

3) Matching: Determine correspondence between descriptors in two views



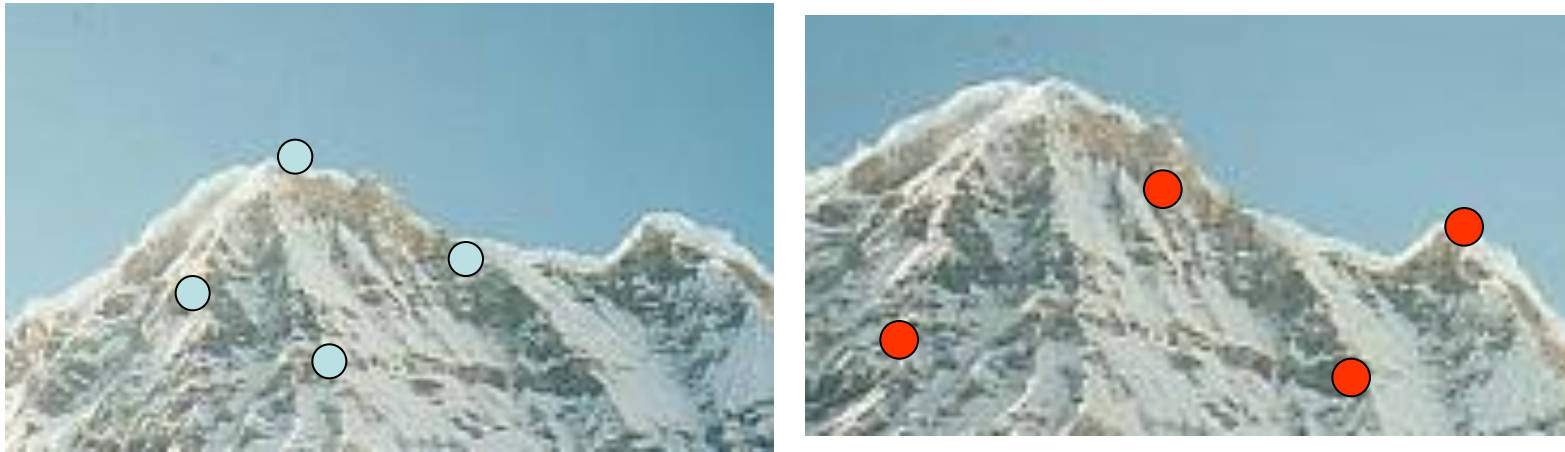
Characteristics of good features



- **Repeatability**
 - The same feature can be found in several images despite geometric and photometric transformations
- **Saliency**
 - Each feature is distinctive
- **Compactness and efficiency**
 - Many fewer features than image pixels
- **Locality**
 - A feature occupies a relatively small area of the image; robust to clutter and occlusion

Goal: interest operator repeatability

- We want to detect (at least some of) the same points in both images.

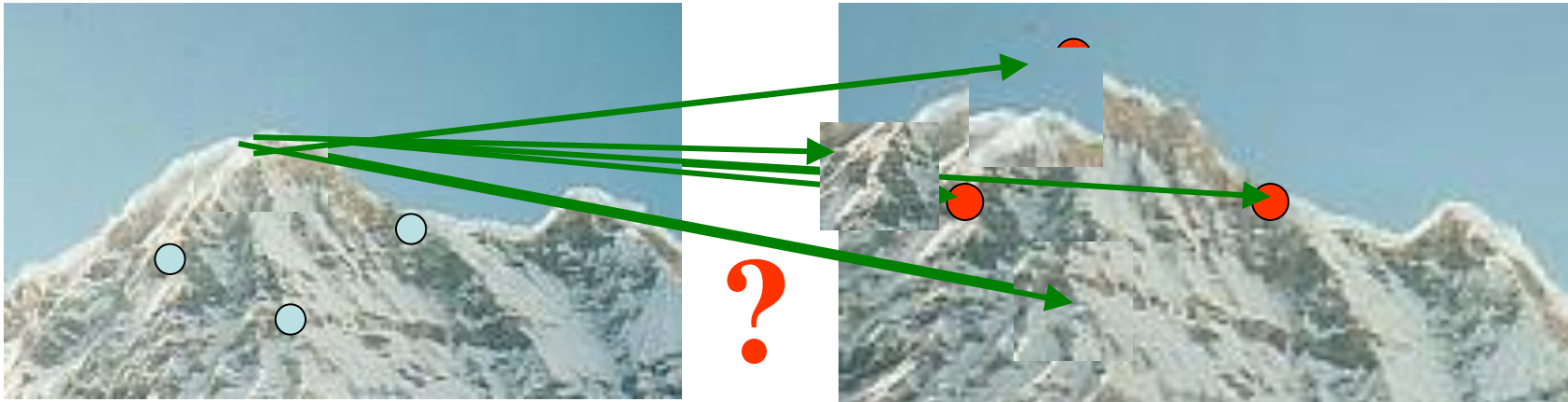


No chance to find true matches!

- Yet we have to be able to run the detection procedure *independently* per image.

Goal: descriptor distinctiveness

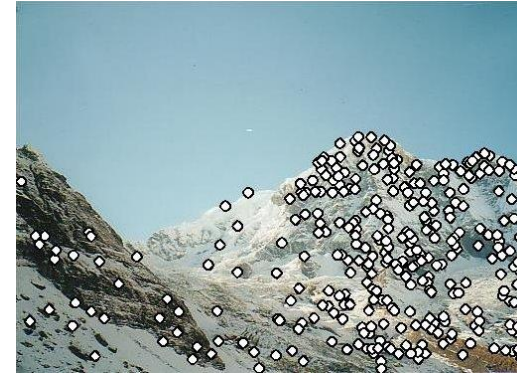
- We want to be able to reliably determine which point goes with which.



- Must provide some invariance to geometric and photometric differences between the two views.

Local features: main components

- 1) Detection: Identify the interest points
- 2) Description: Extract vector feature descriptor surrounding each interest point.
- 3) Matching: Determine correspondence between descriptors in two views



Many Existing Detectors Available

Hessian & Harris

[Beaudet '78], [Harris '88]

Laplacian, DoG

[Lindeberg '98], [Lowe 1999]

Harris-/Hessian-Laplace

[Mikolajczyk & Schmid '01]

Harris-/Hessian-Affine

[Mikolajczyk & Schmid '04]

EBR and IBR

[Tuytelaars & Van Gool '04]

MSER

[Matas '02]

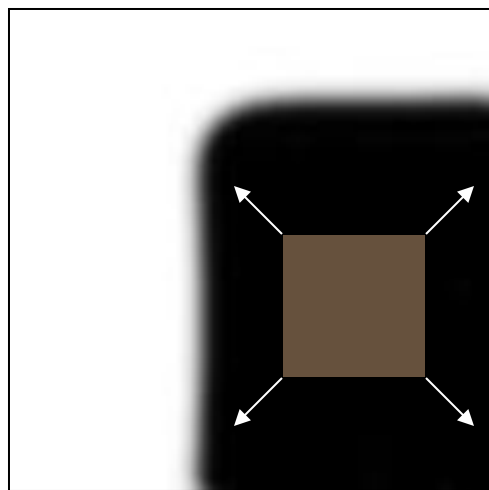
Salient Regions

[Kadir & Brady '01]

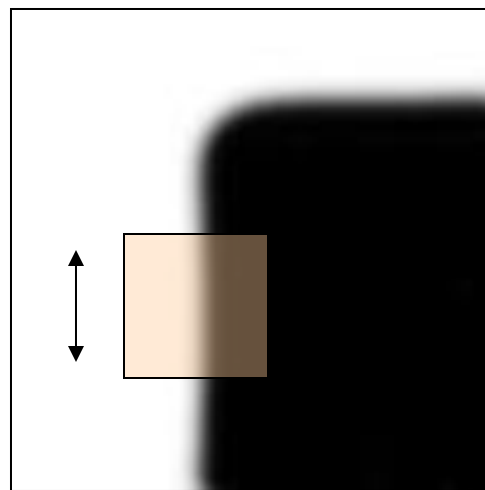
Others...

Corner Detection: Basic Idea

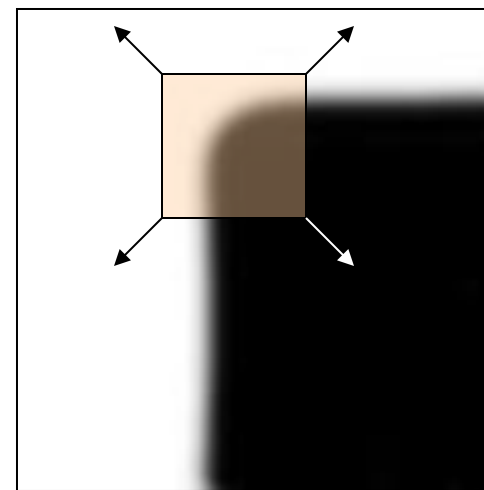
- We should easily recognize the point by looking through a small window
- Shifting a window in *any direction* should give *a large change* in intensity



“flat” region:
no change in
all directions



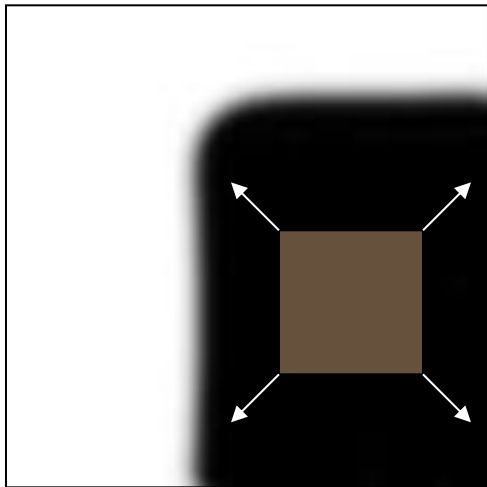
“edge”:
no change
along the edge
direction



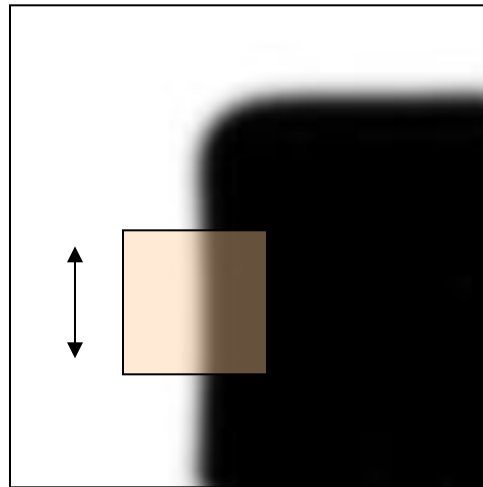
“corner”:
significant
change in all
directions

Corner Detection: Baseline strategies

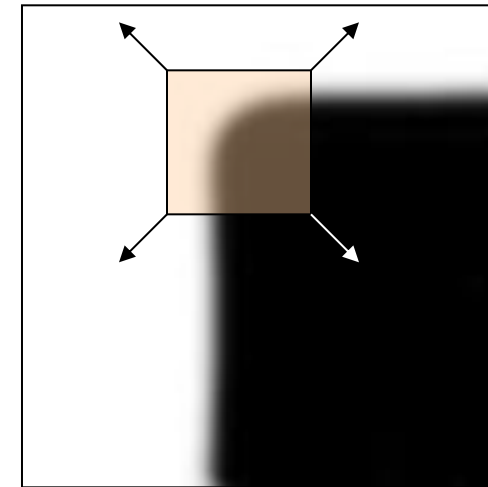
- First, cornerness is a property of a “patch”, not a single pixel
- Let’s look for patches that have high gradients in the x and y directions.



“flat” region:
no gradients

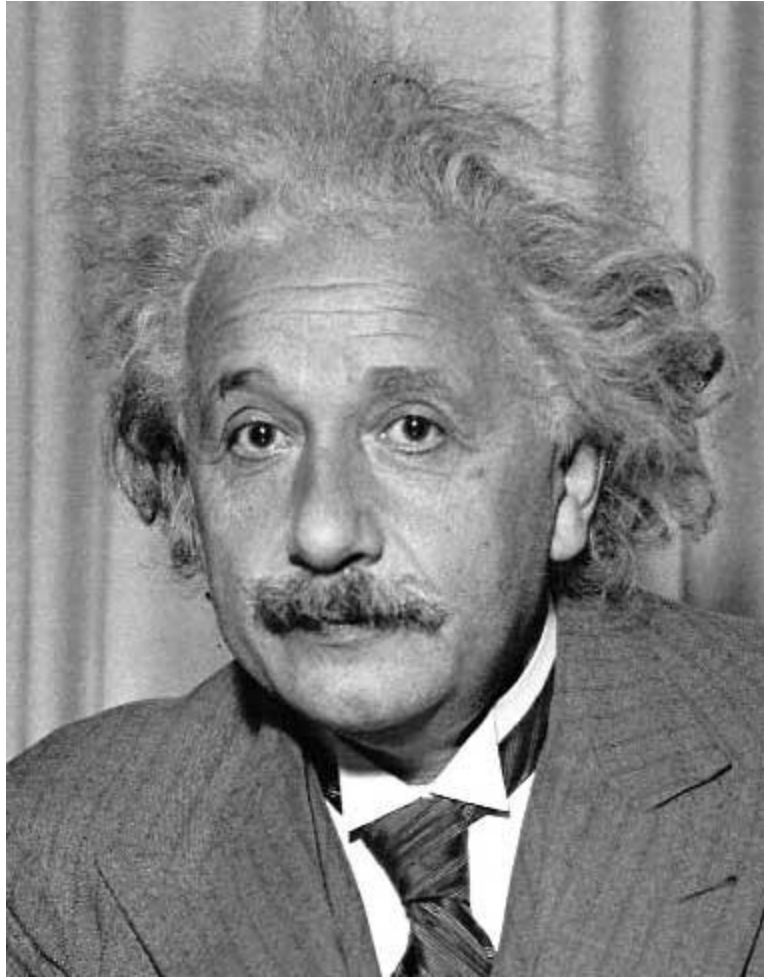


“edge”:
gradients in one
direction



“corner”:
gradients in
both directions

Reminder: gradients measured with filtering



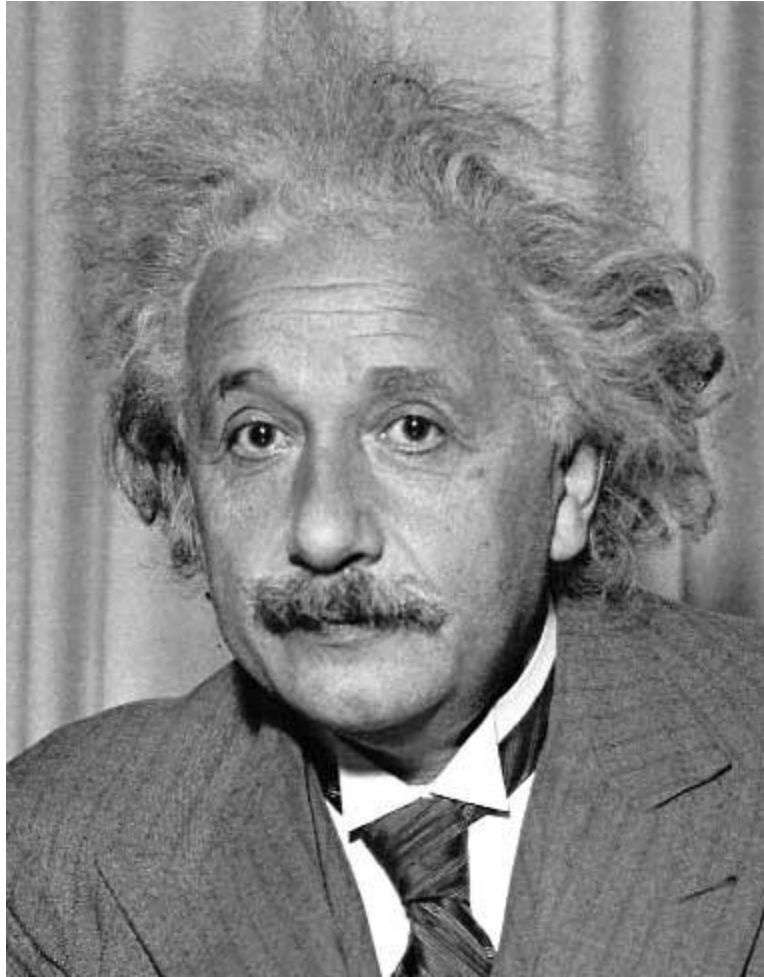
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2	0	-2
1	0	-1

Sobel



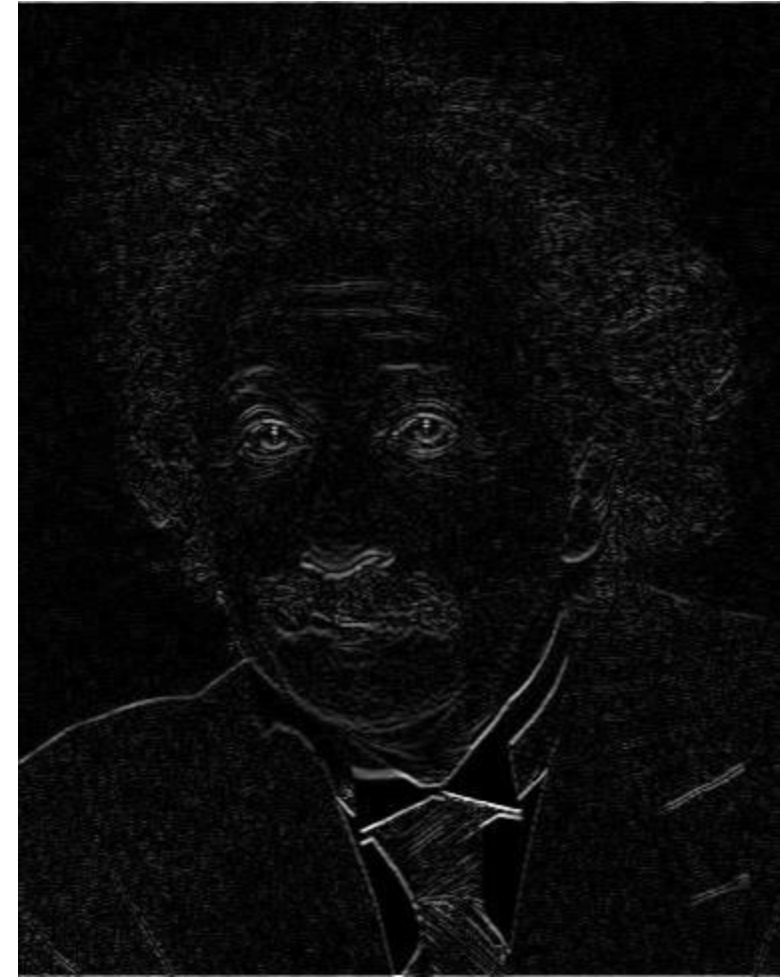
Vertical Edge
(absolute value)

Reminder: gradients measured with filtering



1	2	1
0	0	0
-1	-2	-1

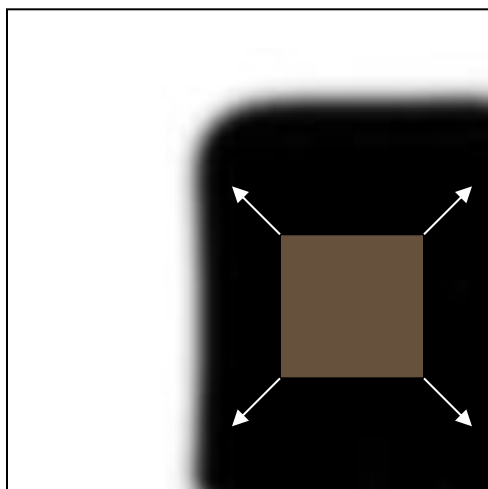
Sobel



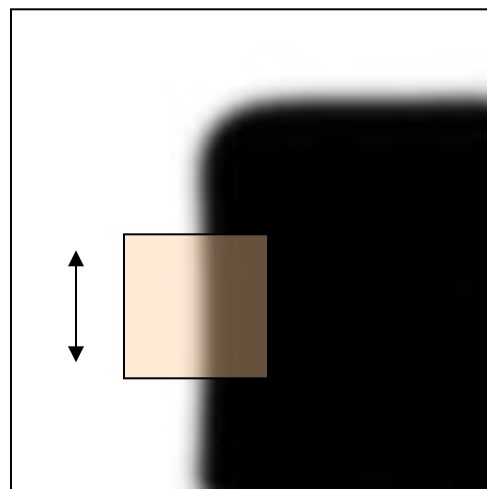
Horizontal Edge
(absolute value)

Corner Detection: Baseline strategies

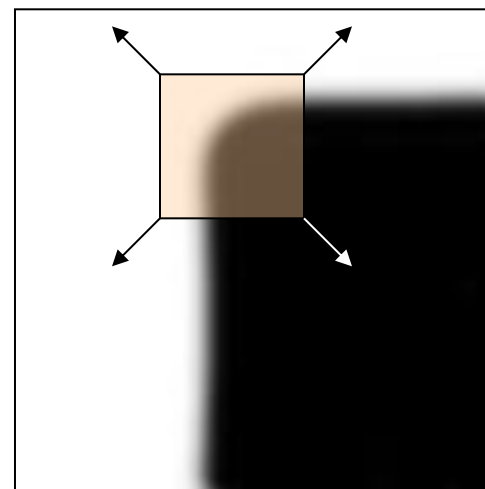
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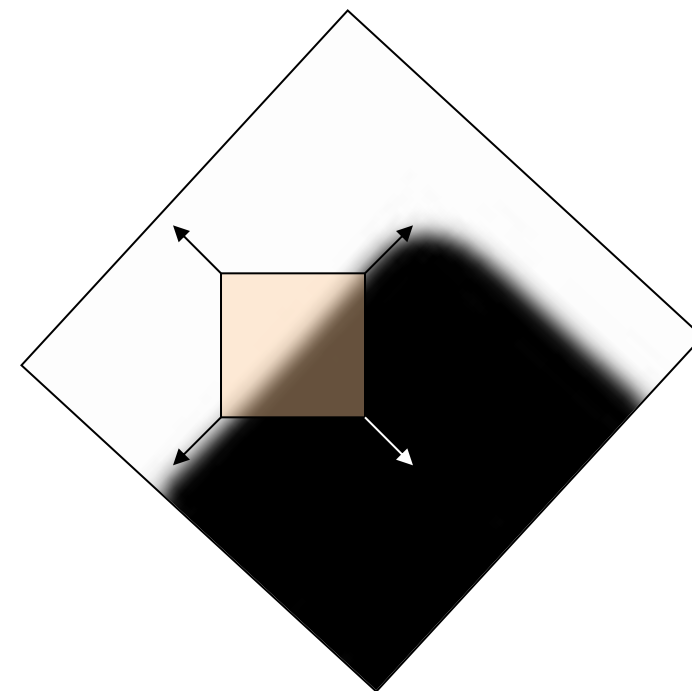
“flat” region:
no gradients



“edge”:
gradients in one
direction



“corner”:
gradients in
both directions

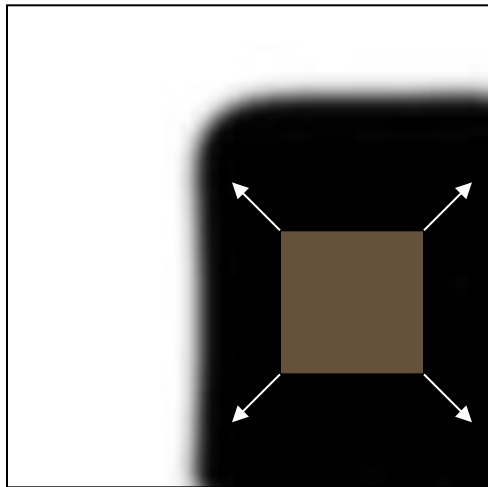


“edge”:
gradients in
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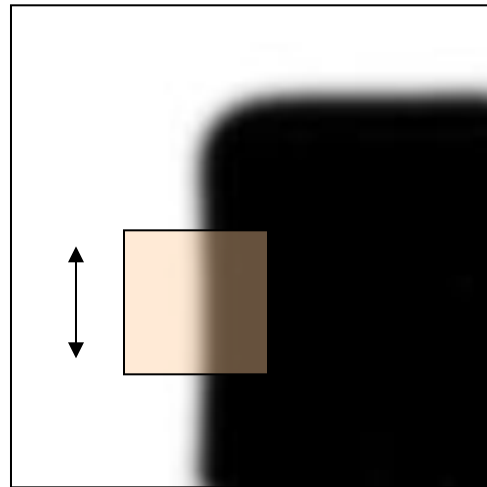
Corner Detection: Baseline strategies

- ~~Let's look for patches that have high gradients in the x and y directions.~~

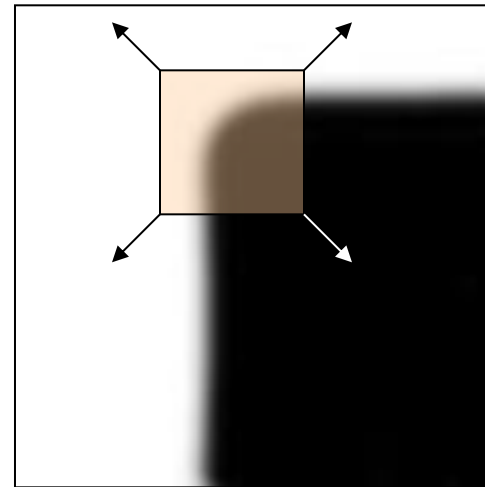
Not a sufficient strategy



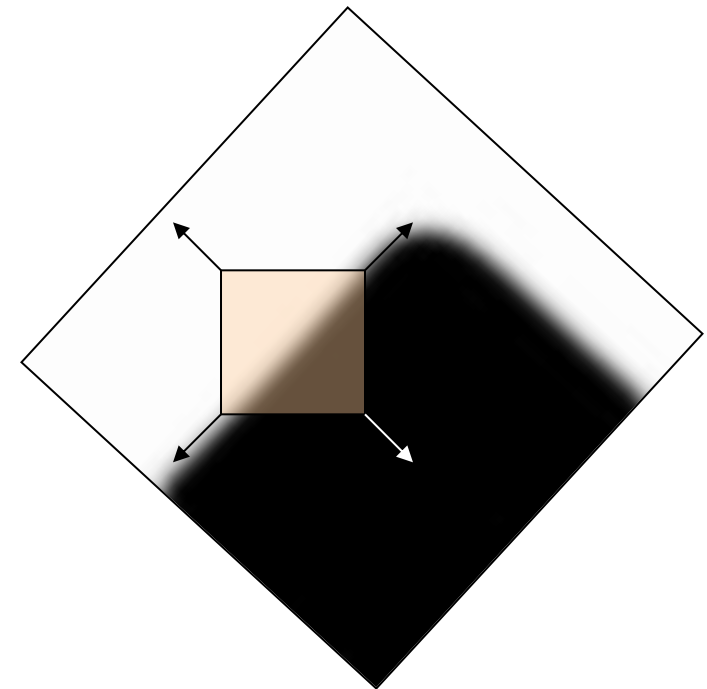
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“edge”:
gradients in one
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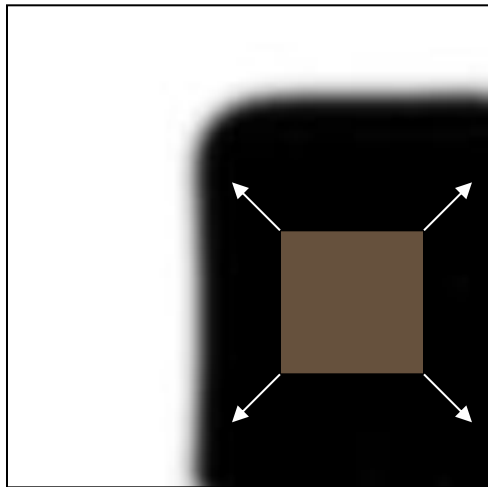
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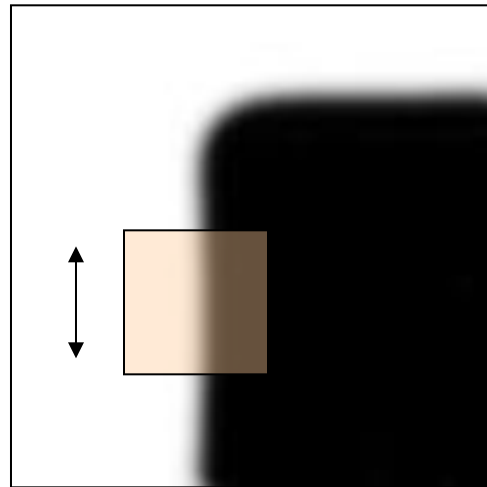
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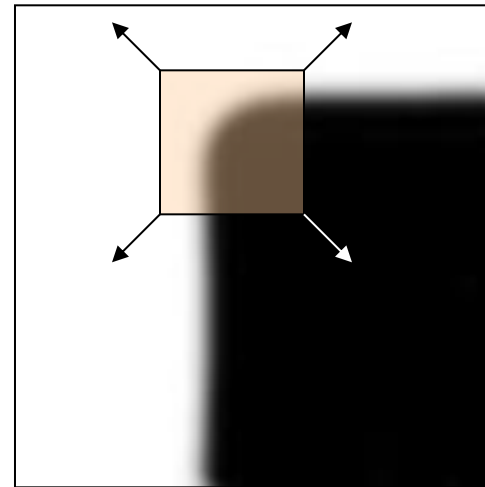
- Let's write down what the gradients actually look like in different scenarios



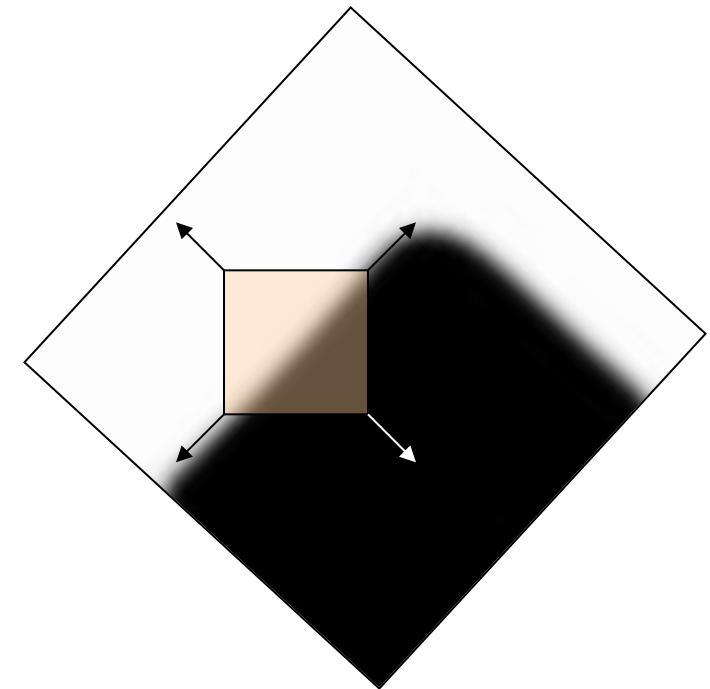
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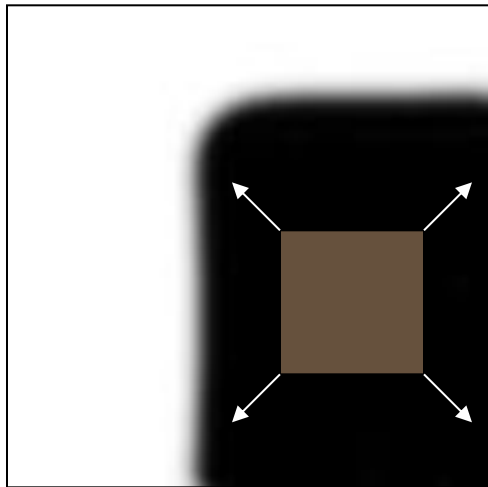
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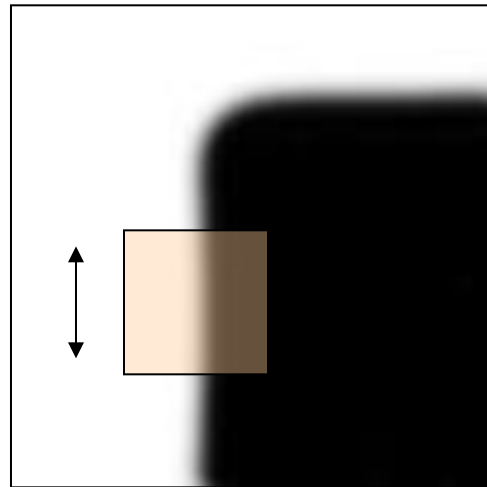
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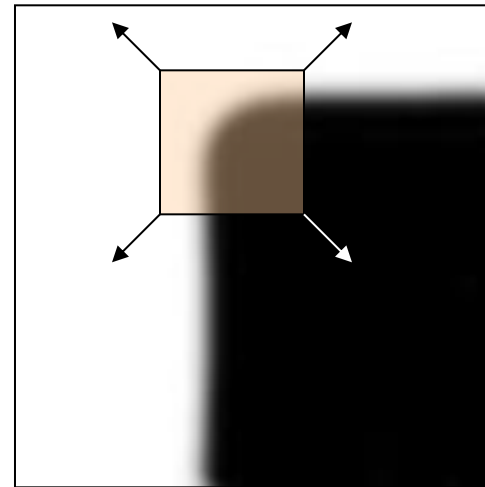
- For a patch to be a corner, the gradient distribution needs to be full rank
- We should check more than 2 pixels
- How do we measure this rank?



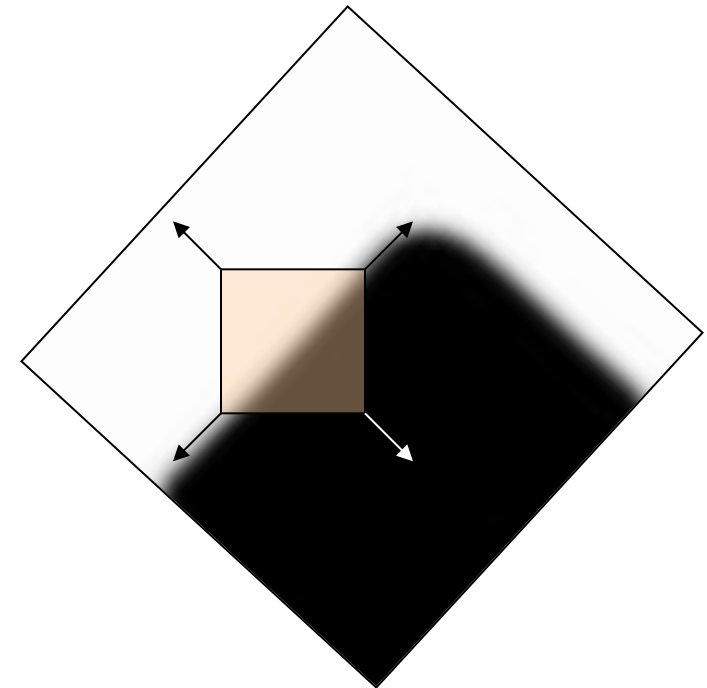
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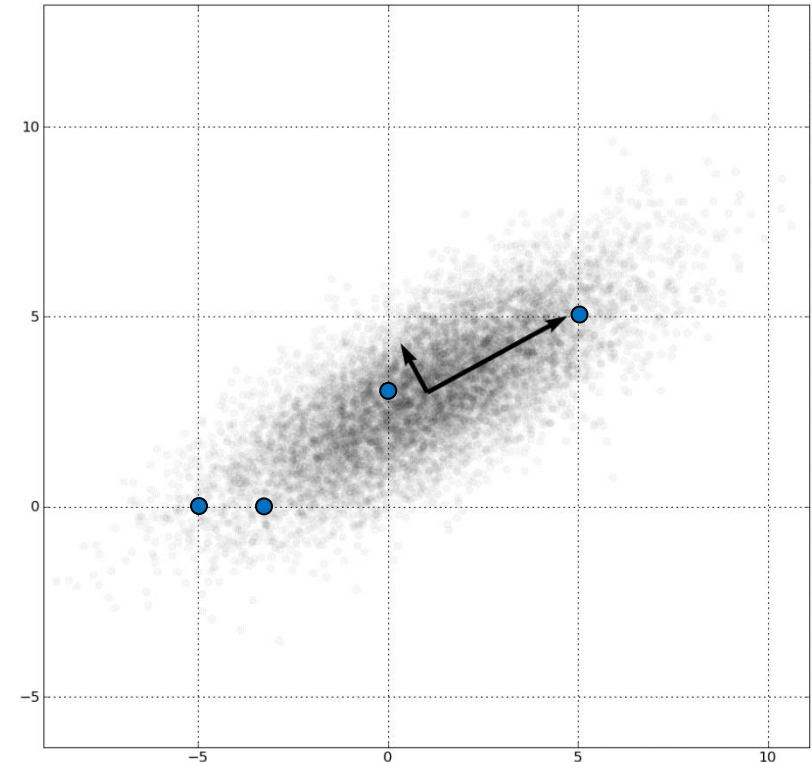
“corner”:
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Eigenvalues tell us the rank

$\lambda = [-5, 0$
0, 3
-3, 0
5, 5
...
...]

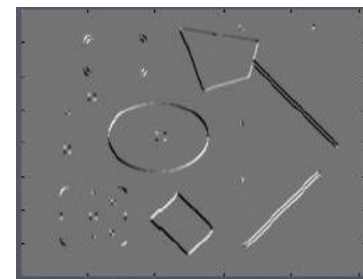
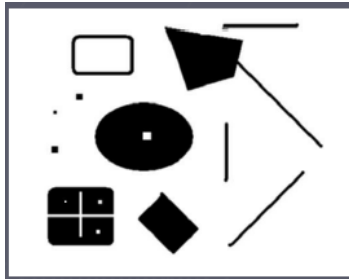


https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eigenvalues_and_eigenvectors

Corners as distinctive interest points

$$M = \sum w(x, y) \begin{bmatrix} I_x I_x & I_x I_y \\ I_x I_y & I_y I_y \end{bmatrix}$$

2 x 2 matrix of image derivatives (averaged in neighborhood of a point).



Notation:

$$I_x \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial I}{\partial x}$$

$$I_y \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial I}{\partial y}$$

$$I_x I_y \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \frac{\partial I}{\partial y}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \sum I_x I_x & \sum I_x I_y \\ \sum I_x I_y & \sum I_y I_y \end{bmatrix} = \sum \begin{bmatrix} I_x \\ I_y \end{bmatrix} [I_x \ I_y] = \sum \nabla I (\nabla I)^T$$

Using a Taylor Series expansion of the image function $I_0(\mathbf{x}_i + \Delta \mathbf{u}) \approx I_0(\mathbf{x}_i) + \nabla I_0(\mathbf{x}_i) \cdot \Delta \mathbf{u}$ (Lucas and Kanade 1981; Shi and Tomasi 1994), we can approximate the auto-correlation surface as

$$E_{AC}(\Delta \mathbf{u}) = \sum_i w(\mathbf{x}_i) [I_0(\mathbf{x}_i + \Delta \mathbf{u}) - I_0(\mathbf{x}_i)]^2 \quad (7.3)$$

$$\approx \sum_i w(\mathbf{x}_i) [I_0(\mathbf{x}_i) + \nabla I_0(\mathbf{x}_i) \cdot \Delta \mathbf{u} - I_0(\mathbf{x}_i)]^2 \quad (7.4)$$

$$= \sum_i w(\mathbf{x}_i) [\nabla I_0(\mathbf{x}_i) \cdot \Delta \mathbf{u}]^2 \quad (7.5)$$

$$= \Delta \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{A} \Delta \mathbf{u}, \quad (7.6)$$

where

$$\nabla I_0(\mathbf{x}_i) = \left(\frac{\partial I_0}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial I_0}{\partial y} \right) (\mathbf{x}_i) \quad (7.7)$$

is the *image gradient* at \mathbf{x}_i . This gradient can be computed using a variety of techniques (Schmid, Mohr, and Bauckhage 2000). The classic “Harris” detector (Harris and Stephens 1988) uses a $[-2 \ -1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2]$ filter, but more modern variants (Schmid, Mohr, and Bauckhage 2000; Triggs 2004) convolve the image with horizontal and vertical derivatives of a Gaussian (typically with $\sigma = 1$).

The auto-correlation matrix \mathbf{A} can be written as

$$\mathbf{A} = w * \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2 & I_x I_y \\ I_x I_y & I_y^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (7.8)$$

Different derivations exist.

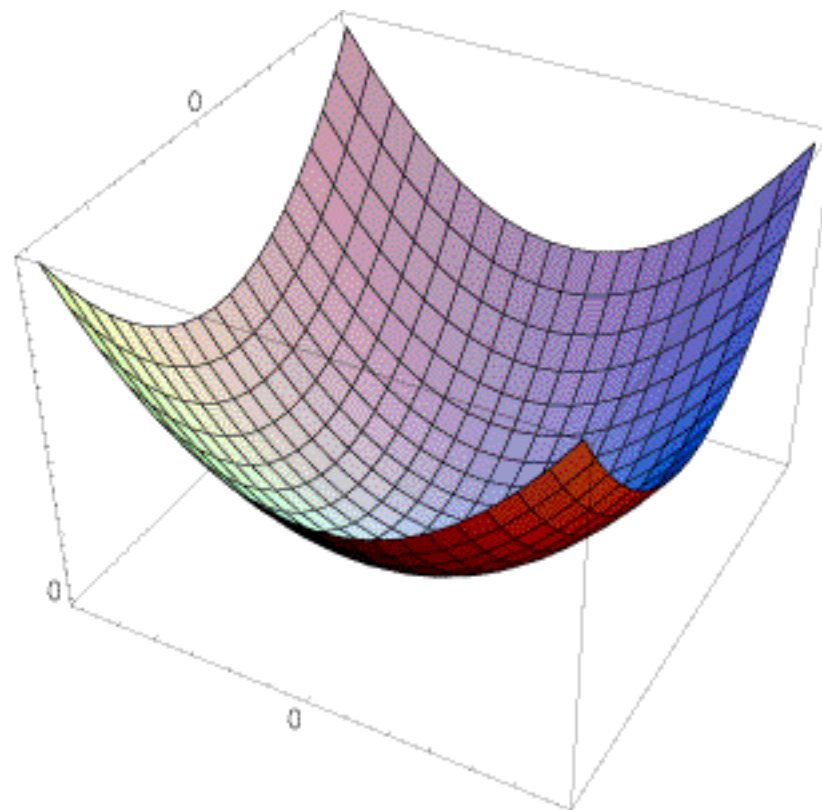
This is the textbook version.

Interpreting the second moment matrix

The surface $E(u, v)$ is locally approximated by a quadratic form. Let's try to understand its shape.

$$E(u, v) \approx [u \ v] M \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

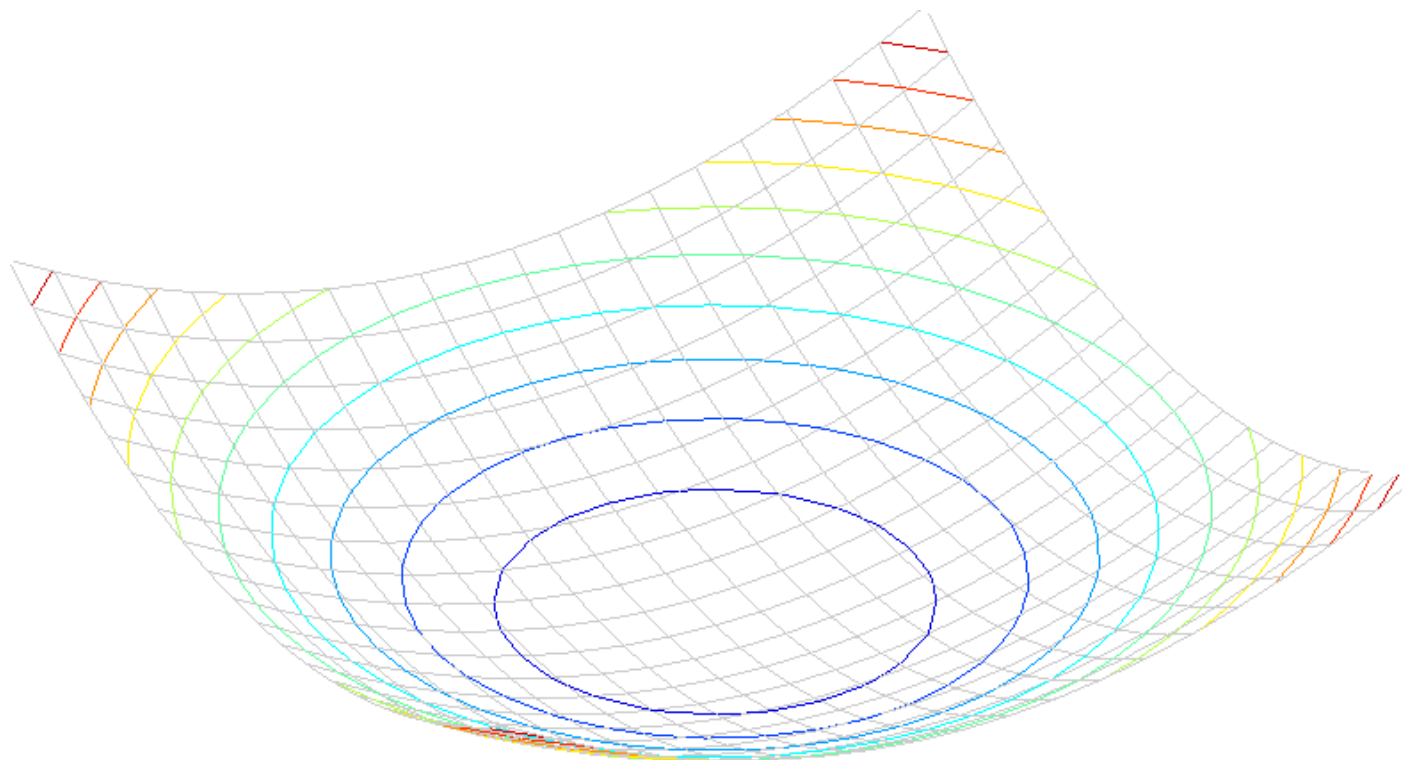
$$M = \sum_{x, y} w(x, y) \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2 & I_x I_y \\ I_x I_y & I_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Interpreting the second moment matrix

Consider a horizontal “slice” of $E(u, v)$: $[u \ v] M \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \text{const}$

This is the equation of an ellipse.



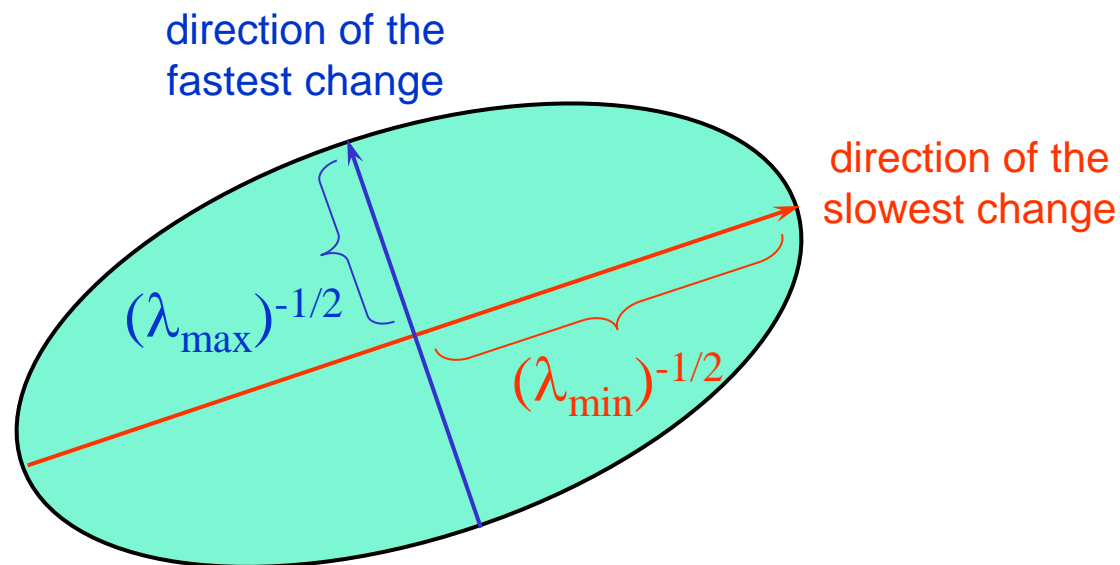
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Diagonalization of M : $M = R^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} R$

The axis lengths of the ellipse are determined by the eigenvalues and the orientation is determined by R



If you're not comfortable with Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors, Gilbert Strang's linear algebra lectures are linked from the course homepage

Lecture 21: Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

COURSE HOME

SYLLABUS

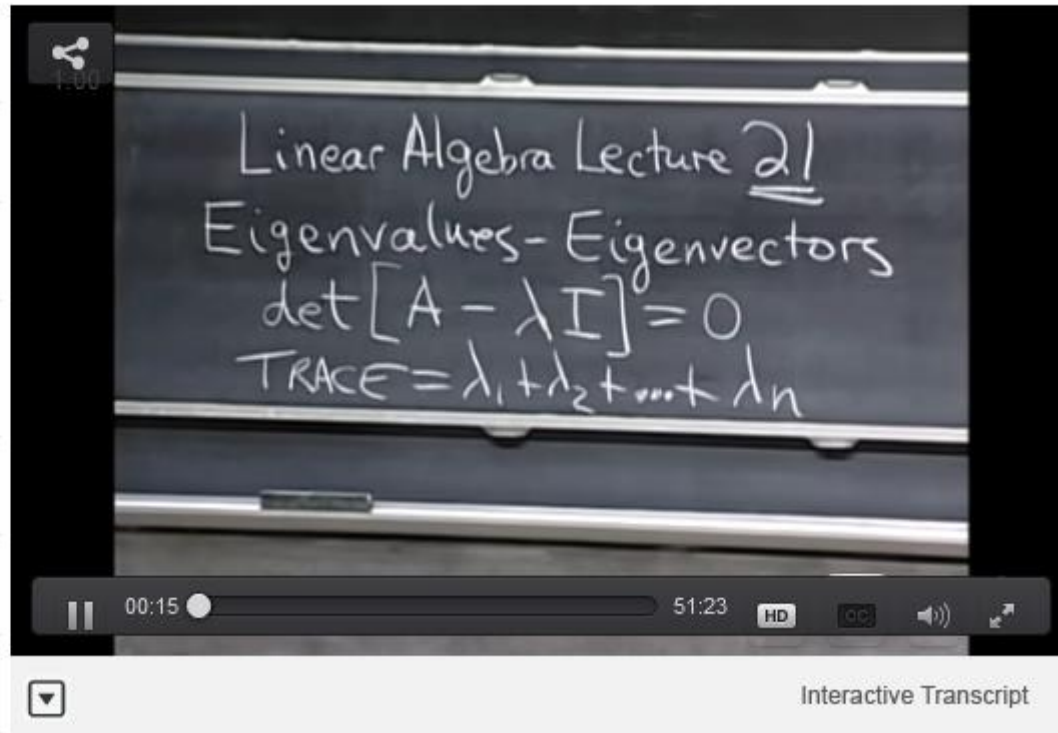
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Linear Algebra Lecture 21
Eigenvalues - Eigenvectors
 $\det[A - \lambda I] = 0$
TRACE = $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n$

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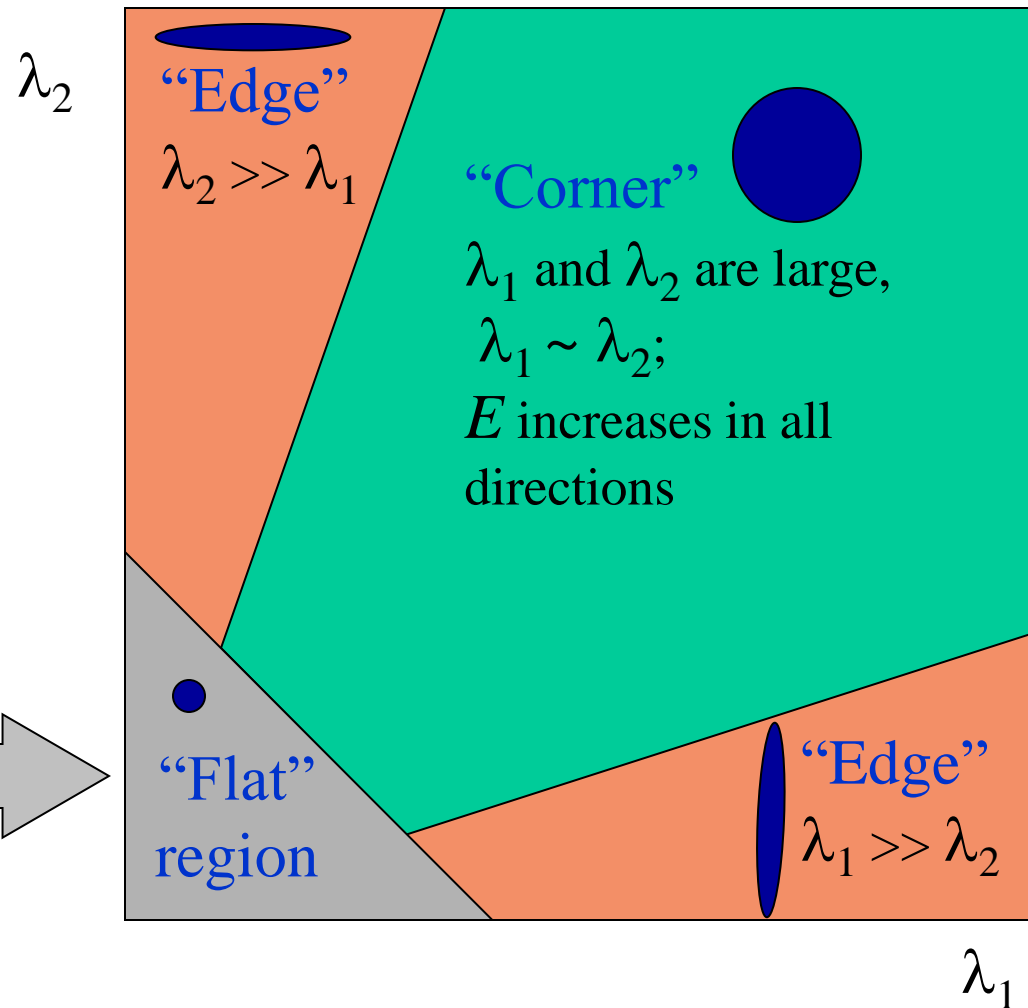
Interactive Transcript

Interpreting the eigenvalues

Classification of image points using eigenvalues of M :

$$M = \sum_{x,y} w(x,y) \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2 & I_x I_y \\ I_x I_y & I_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

λ_1 and λ_2 are small;
 E is almost constant
in all directions

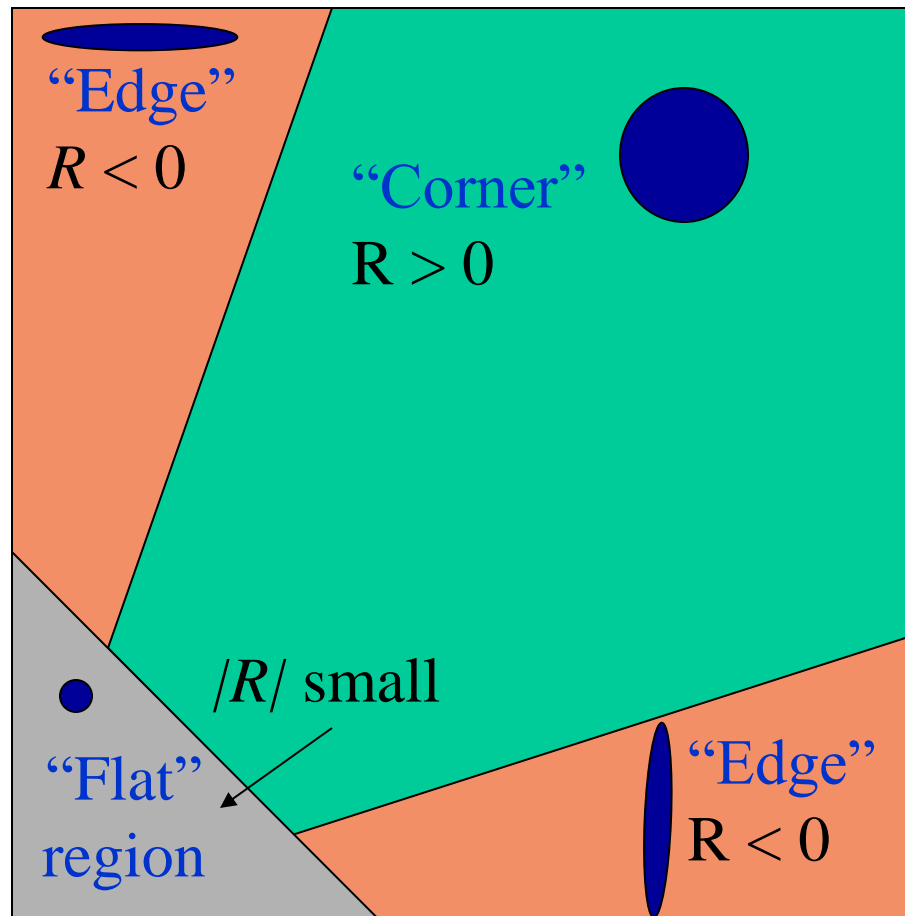


Corner response function

$$R = \det(M) - \alpha \text{trace}(M)^2 = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 - \alpha (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^2$$

α : constant (0.04 to 0.06)

$$M = \sum_{x,y} w(x,y) \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2 & I_x I_y \\ I_x I_y & I_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Harris corner detector

- 1) Compute M matrix for each image window to get their *cornerness* scores.
- 2) Find points whose surrounding window gave large corner response ($f >$ threshold)
- 3) Take the points of local maxima, i.e., perform non-maximum suppression

C.Harris and M.Stephens. [“A Combined Corner and Edge Detector.”](#)
Proceedings of the 4th Alvey Vision Conference: pages 147—151, 1988.

Harris Detector [Harris88]

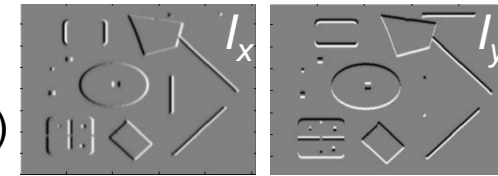
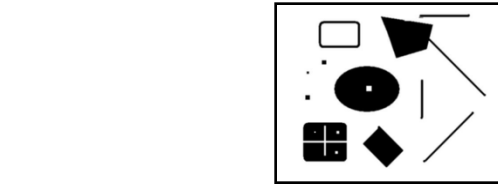
- Second moment matrix

$$\mu(\sigma_I, \sigma_D) = g(\sigma_I) * \begin{bmatrix} I_x^2(\sigma_D) & I_x I_y(\sigma_D) \\ I_x I_y(\sigma_D) & I_y^2(\sigma_D) \end{bmatrix}$$

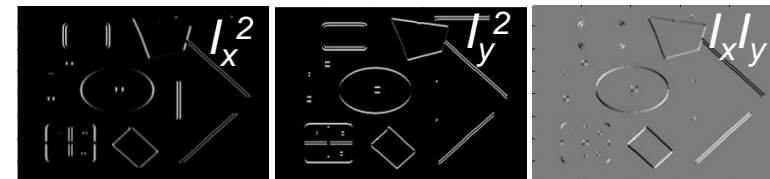
$$\det M = \lambda_1 \lambda_2$$

$$\text{trace } M = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$$

1. Image derivatives
(optionally, blur first)



2. Square of derivatives



3. Gaussian filter $g(\sigma_I)$

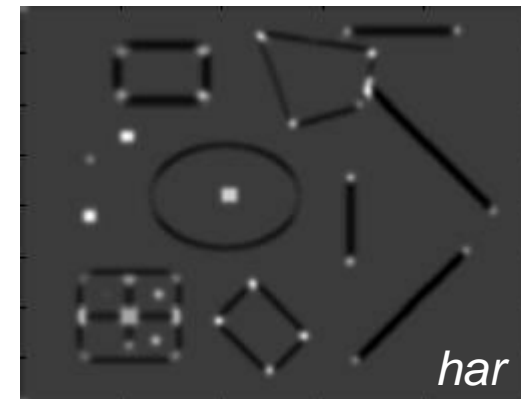


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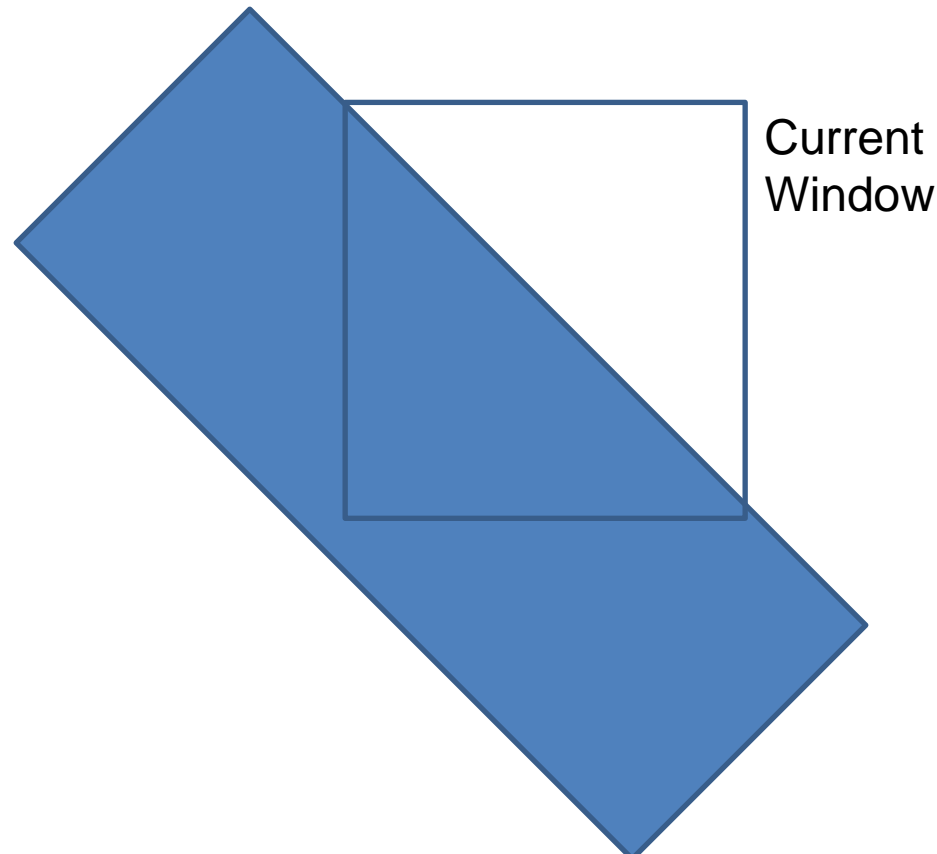
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5. Non-maxima suppression



Harris Corners – Why so complicated?

- Can't we just check for regions with lots of gradients in the x and y directions?
 - No! A diagonal line would satisfy that criteria



Harris Detector [Harris88]

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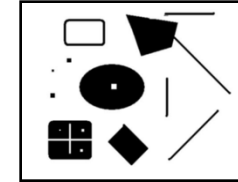
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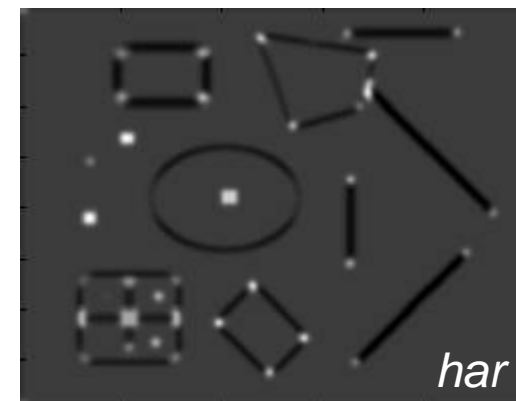
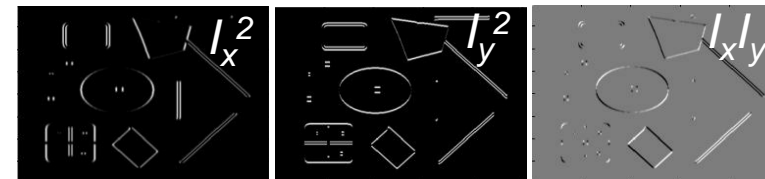
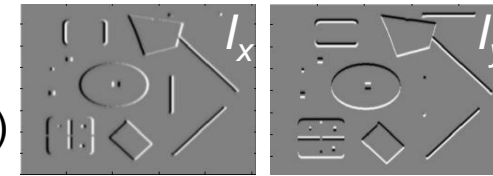
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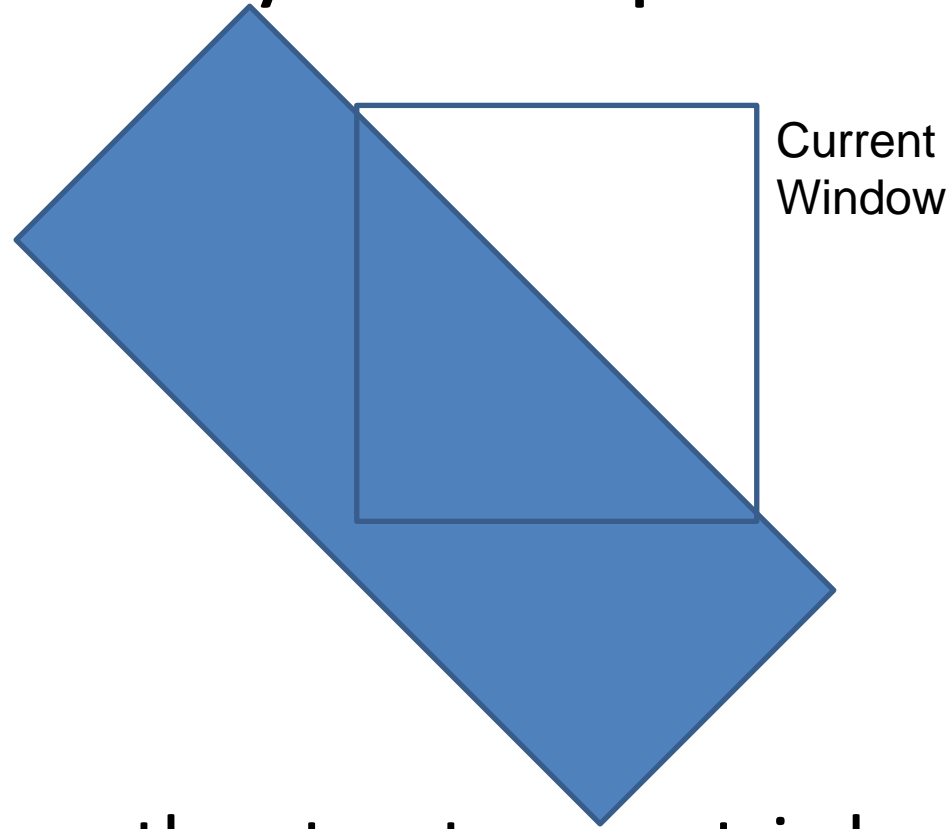
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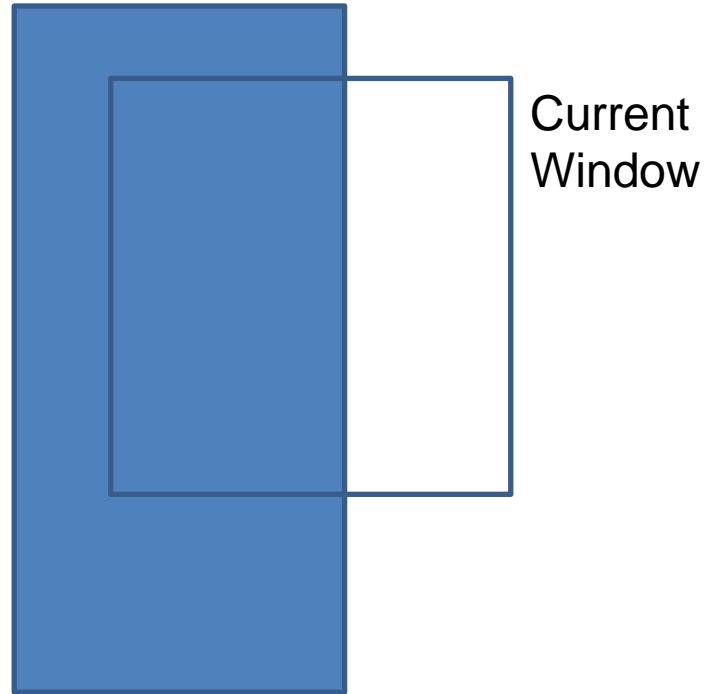
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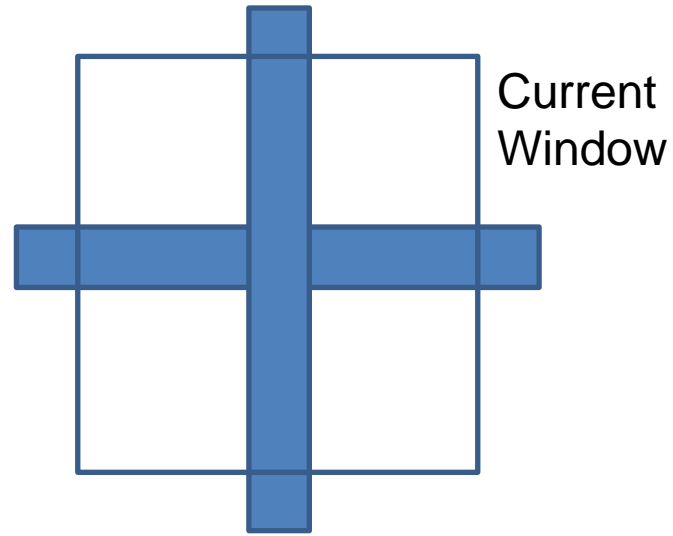
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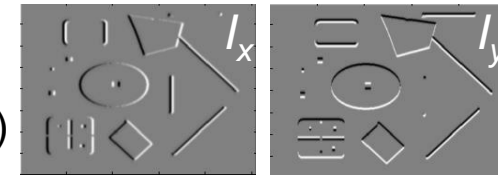
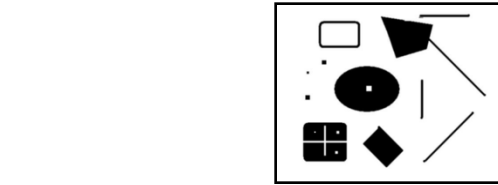
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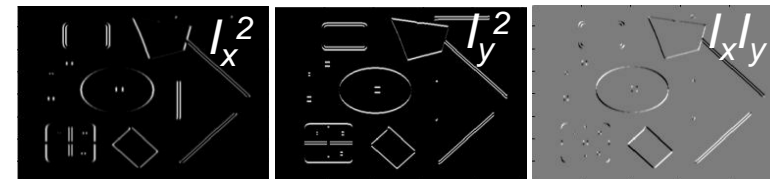
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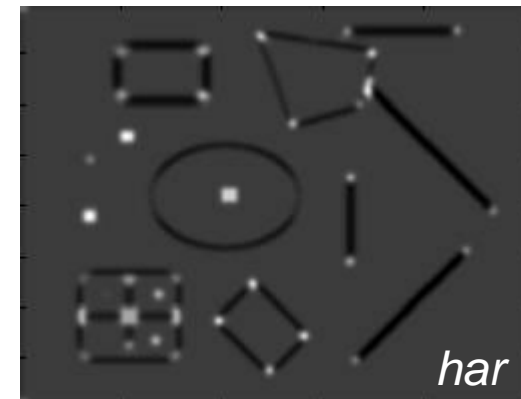


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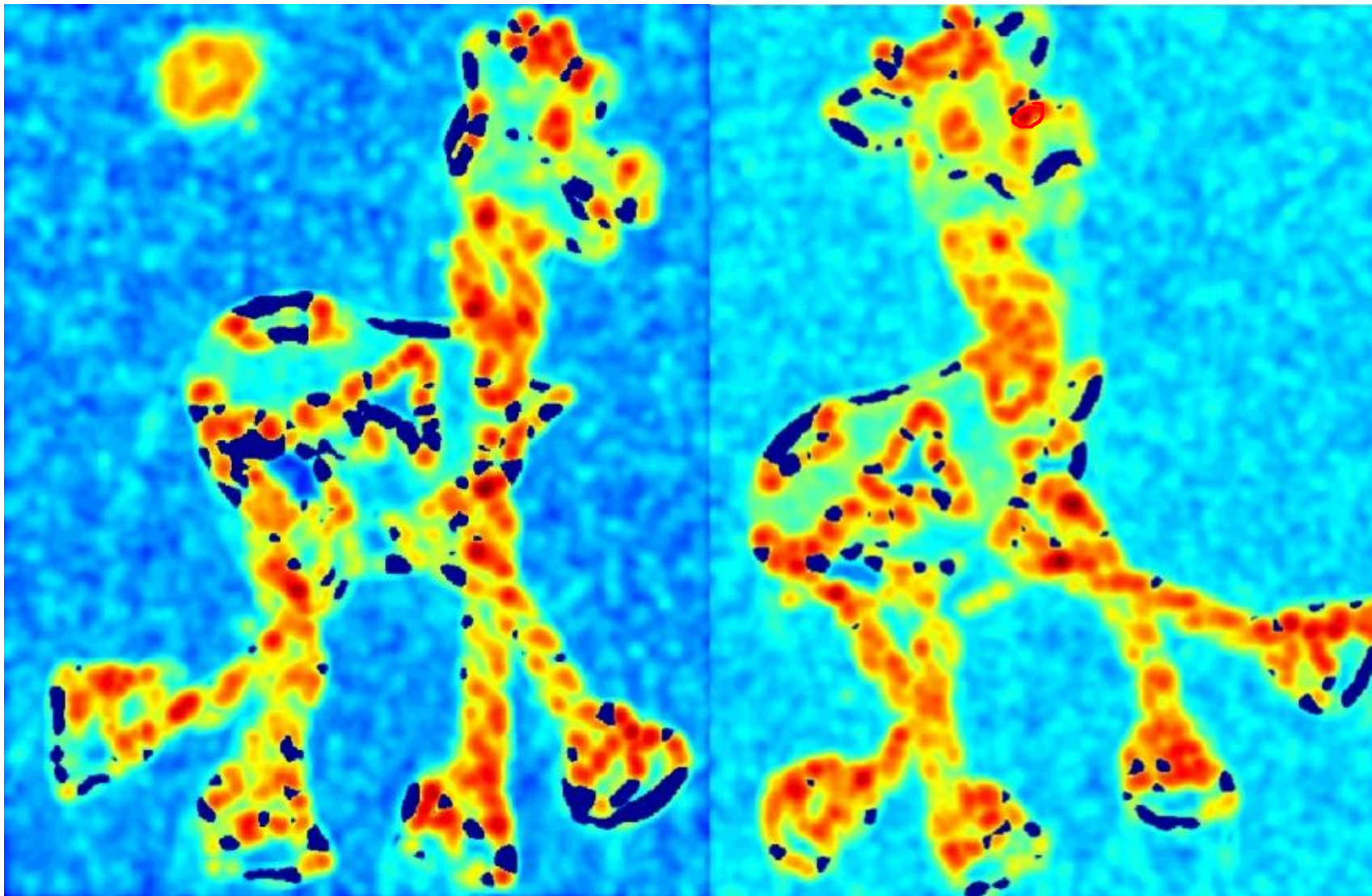


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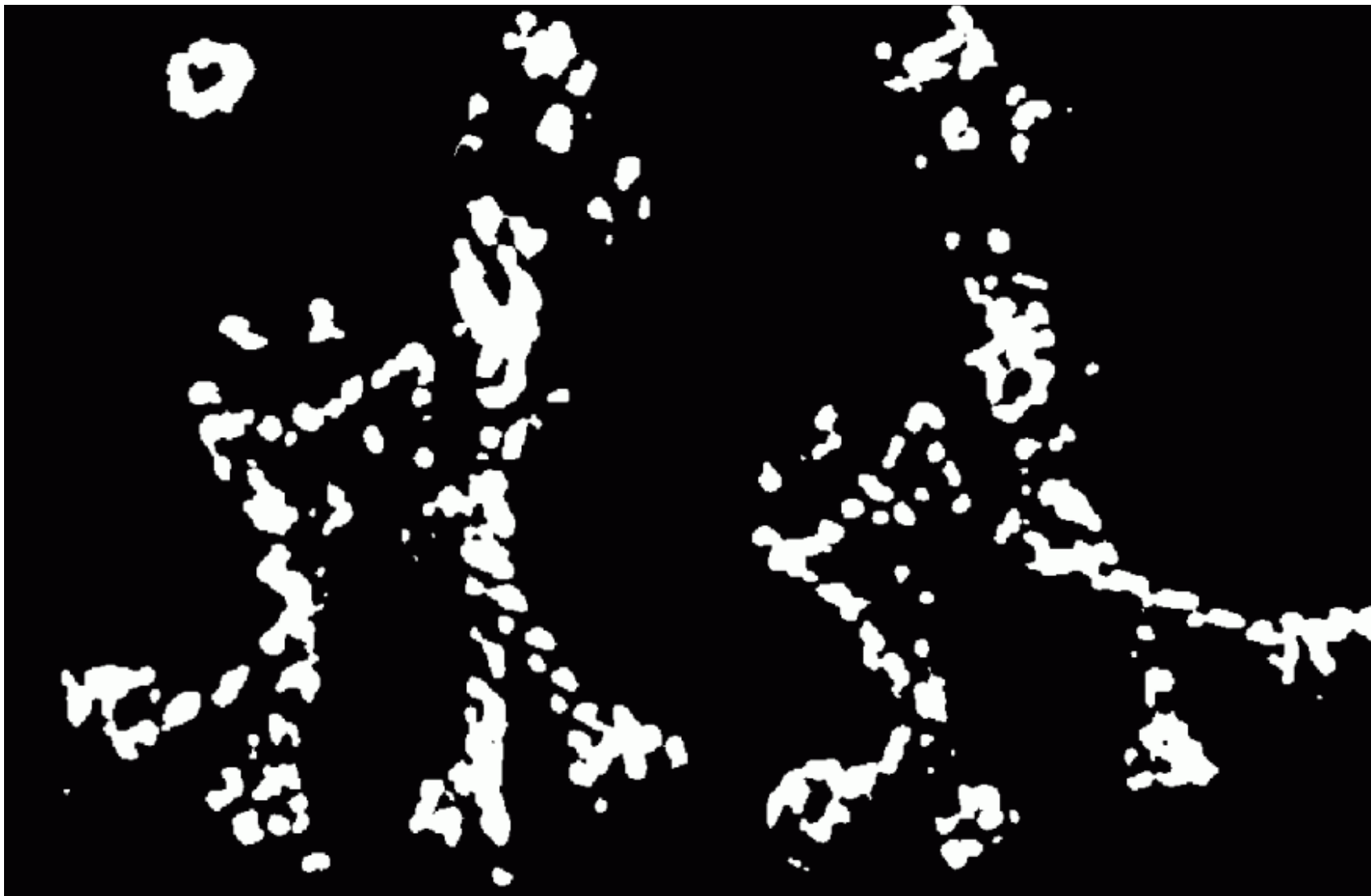
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Compute corner response R



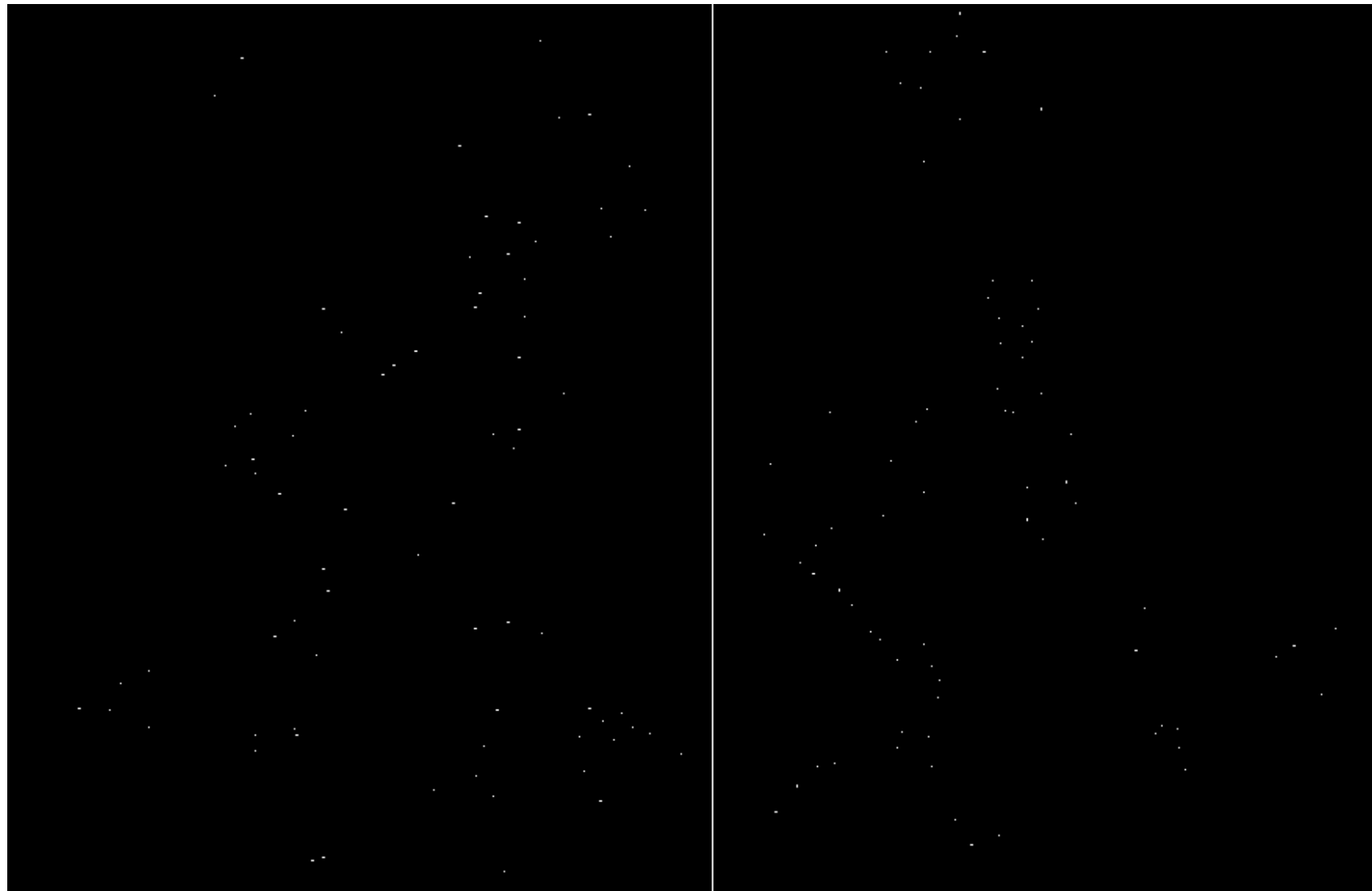
Harris Detector: Steps

Find points with large corner response: $R > \text{threshold}$



Harris Detector: Steps

Take only the points of local maxima of R



Harris Detector: Steps

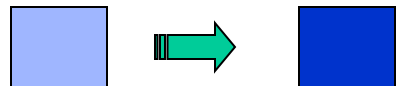


Invariance and covariance

- We want corner locations to be *invariant* to photometric transformations and *covariant* to geometric transformations
 - **Invariance:** image is transformed and corner locations do not change
 - **Covariance:** if we have two transformed versions of the same image, features should be detected in corresponding locations

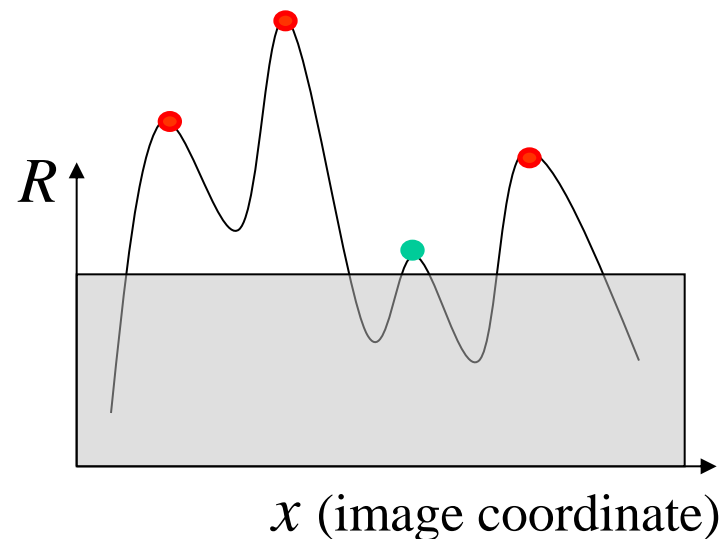
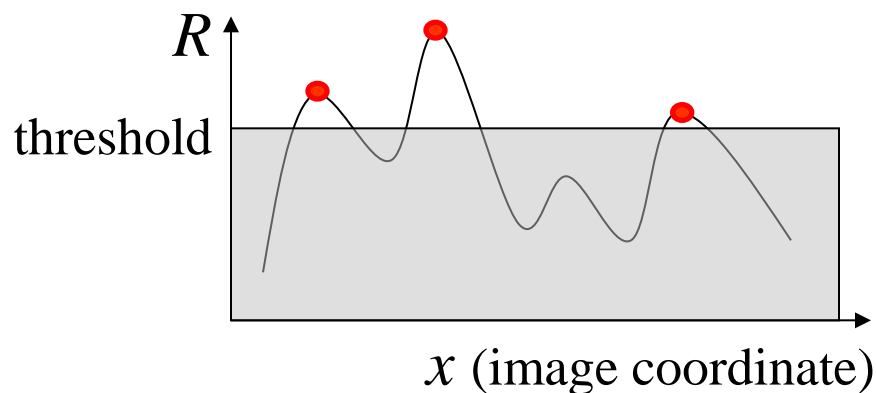


Affine intensity change



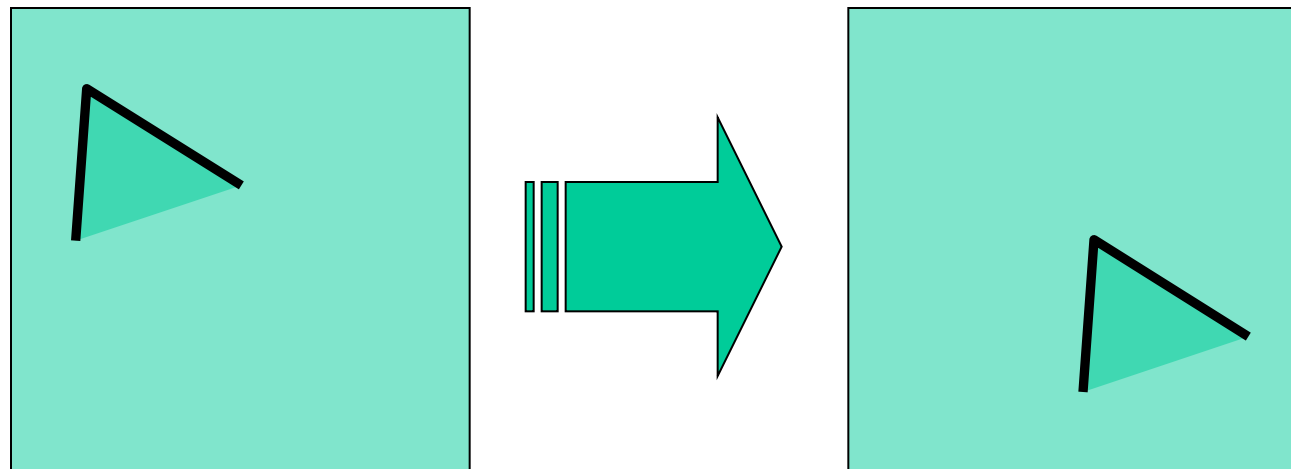
$$I \rightarrow a I + b$$

- Only derivatives are used => invariance to intensity shift $I \rightarrow I + b$
- Intensity scaling: $I \rightarrow a I$



Partially invariant to affine intensity change

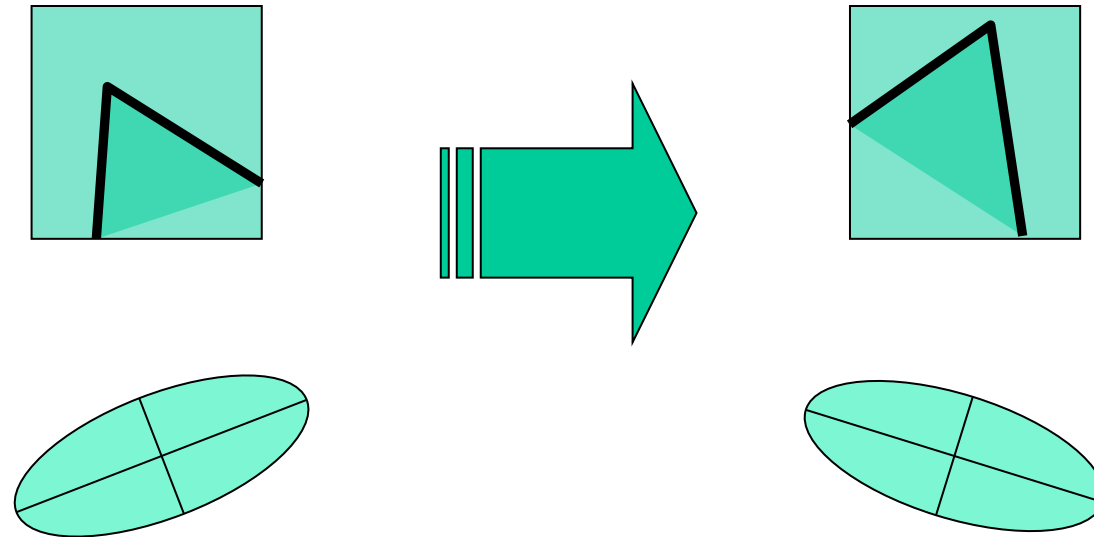
Image translation



- Derivatives and window function are shift-invariant

Corner location is covariant w.r.t. translation

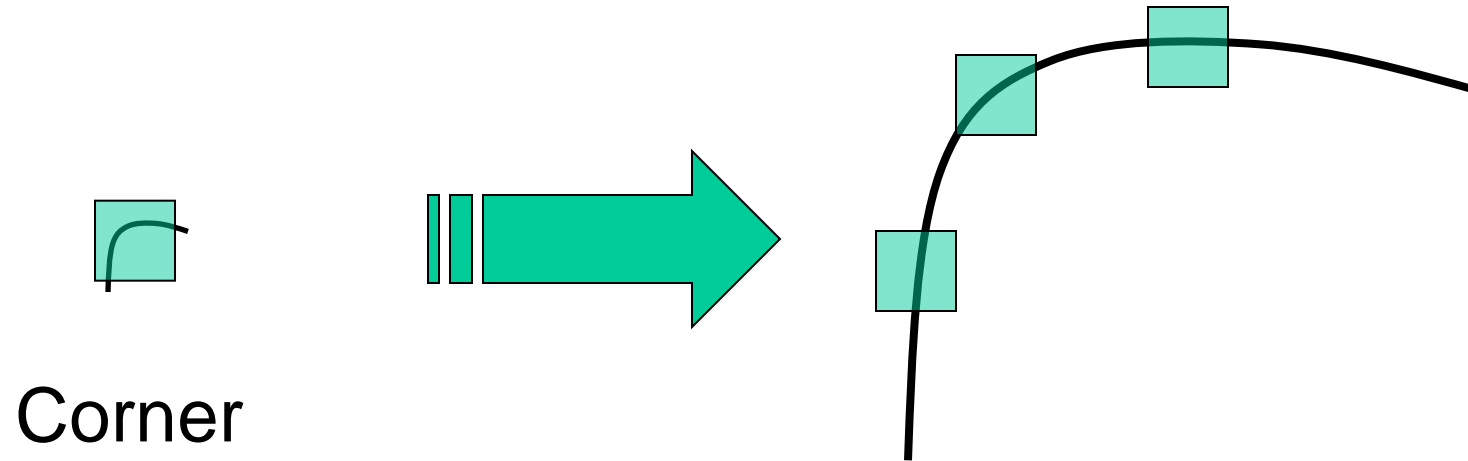
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Second moment ellipse rotates but its shape (i.e. eigenvalues) remains the same

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Scaling



Corner location is not covariant to scaling!