

Lucas-Kanade Tracker

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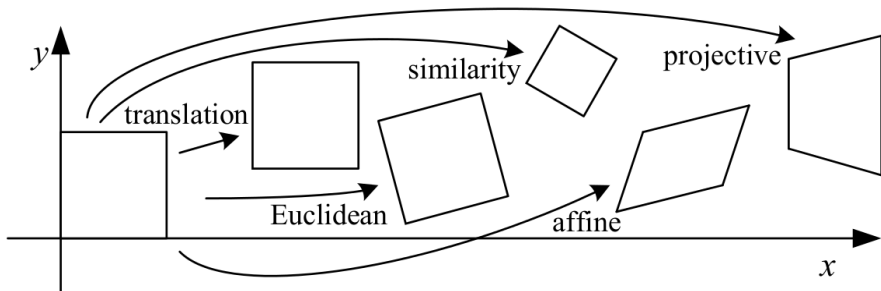
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Basic set of 2-D Transformation

Richard Szeliski, "Computer Vision: Algorithms and Application"

- Need to register a patch of the current frame to another patch of the next frame
- Coordinate transformation can be done by different "motions"



Summary of displacement models (2-D transformations)

- Translation:

$$x' = x + b_1$$

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Review of Jacobian

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Computing the Jacobian $\frac{\partial W}{\partial \mathbf{p}}$

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Transformation	Matrix	# DoF	Preserves	Icon	Parameters p	Jacobian J
translation	$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	2	orientation		(t_x, t_y)	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
rigid (Euclidean)	$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	3	lengths		(t_x, t_y, θ)	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -s_\theta x - c_\theta y \\ 0 & 1 & c_\theta x - s_\theta y \end{bmatrix}$
similarity	$\begin{bmatrix} s\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	4	angles		(t_x, t_y, a, b)	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & x & -y \\ 0 & 1 & y & x \end{bmatrix}$
affine	$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	6	parallelism		$(t_x, t_y, a_{00}, a_{01}, a_{10}, a_{11})$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & x & y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & x & y \end{bmatrix}$
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(Inverse compositional) Modified-KLT

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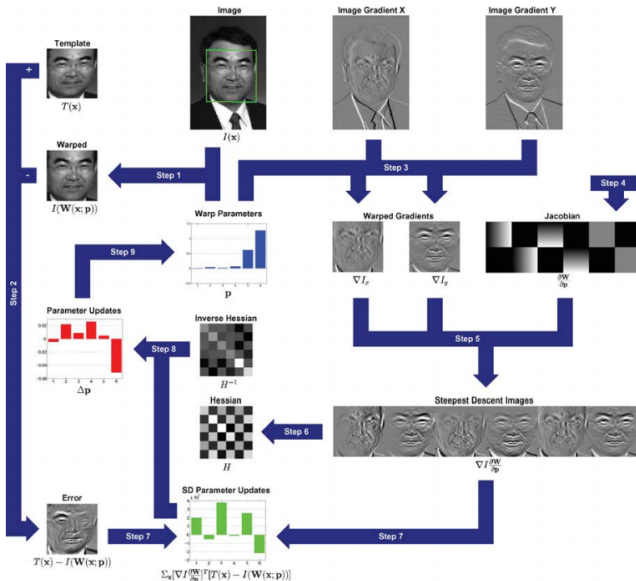
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Loop:

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Modified Lucas-Kanade

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 - <http://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/30822>
 - Affine tracking: <http://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/24677-lucas-kanade-affine-template-tracking>
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