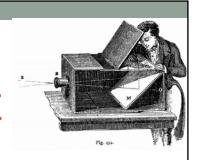
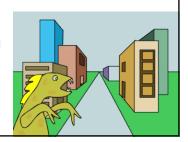
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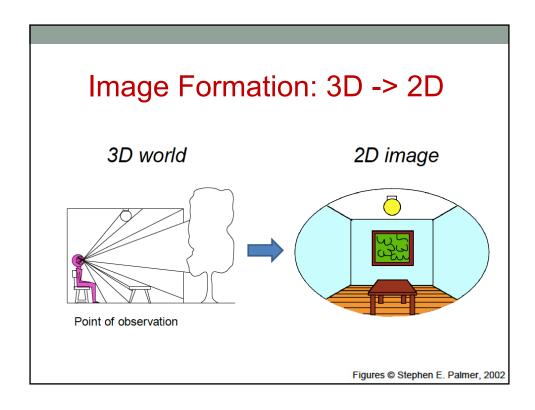


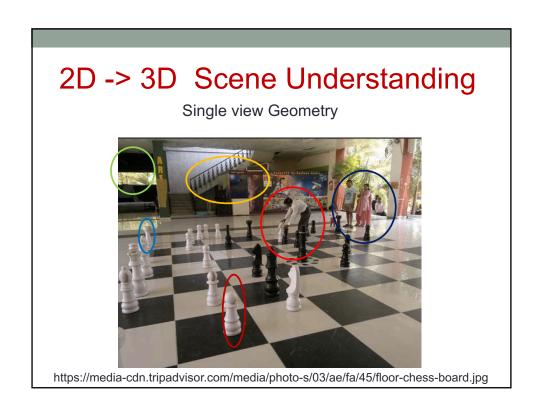
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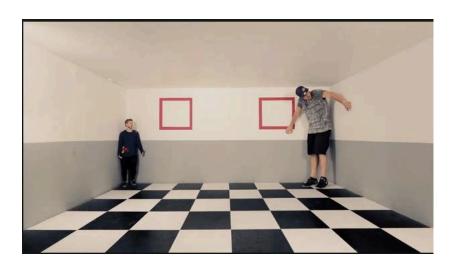
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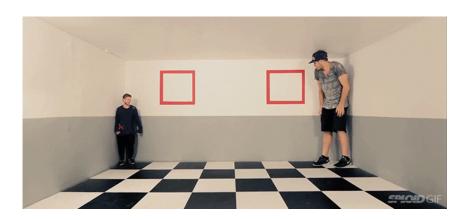




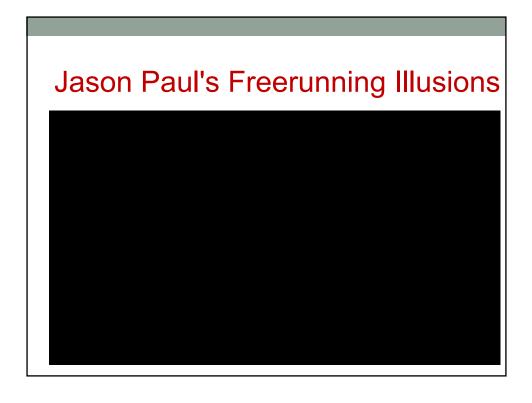
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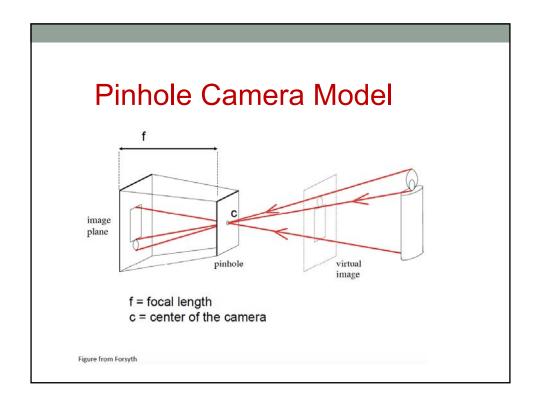


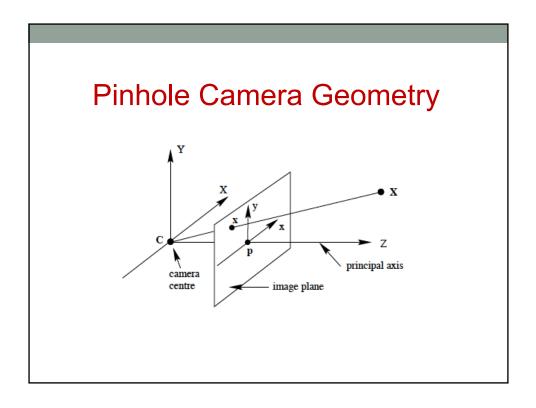
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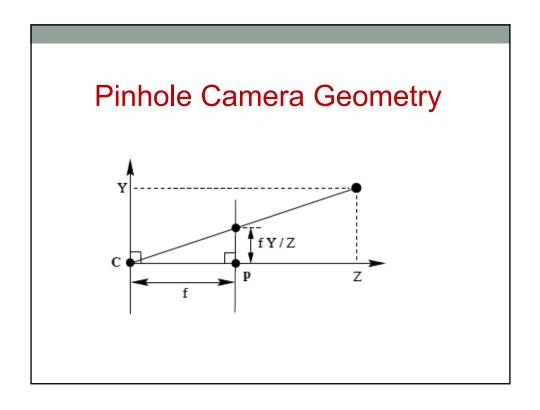


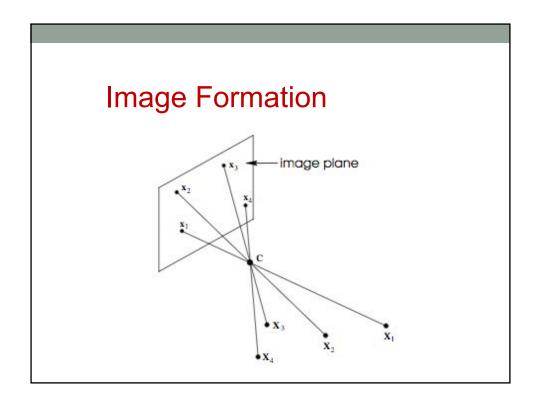
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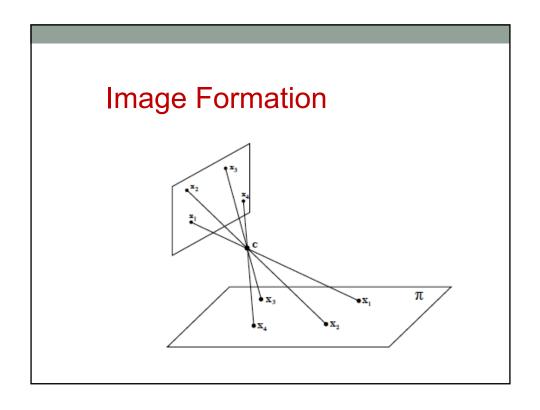


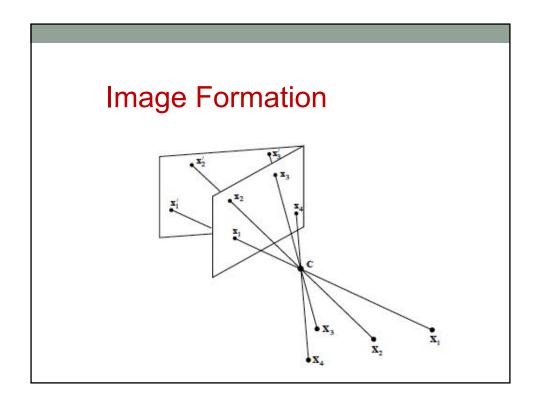


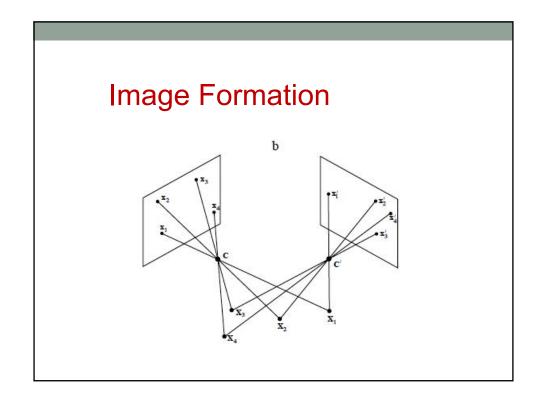


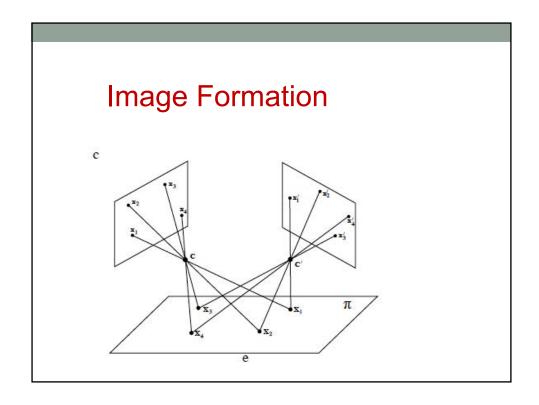


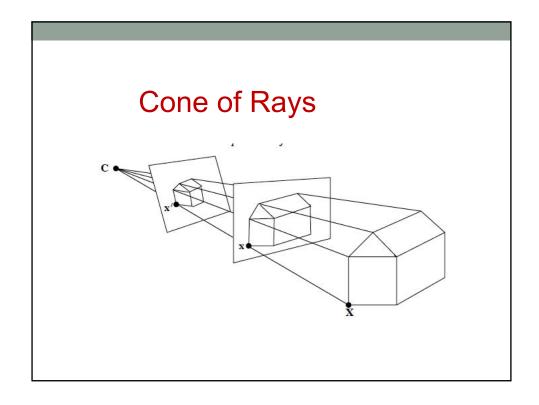












#### Parametric (global) transformations







$$p' = (x')$$

Transformation T is a coordinate-changing machine:

$$p' = T(p)$$

What does it mean that *T* is global?

T is the same for any point p
 T can be described by just a few numbers (parameters)

For linear transformations, we can represent T as a matrix

$$p' = Tp$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{T} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Homogeneous Coordinates**

Converting to homogeneous coordinates

$$(x,y) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(x, y, z) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous image coordinates

homogeneous scene coordinates

Converting from homogeneous coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (x/w, y/w) \qquad \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (x/w, y/w, z/w)$$

## Homogeneous Coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$

One extra step:

$$x' = u/w$$
$$y' = v/w$$

## Homogeneous Coordinates

Invariant to scaling

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} kx \\ ky \\ kw \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \frac{kx}{kw} \\ \frac{ky}{kw} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x}{w} \\ \frac{y}{w} \end{bmatrix}$$

Homogeneous Coordinates Cartesian Coordinates

Point in Cartesian is ray in Homogeneous

## Homogeneous Coordinates

- Line equation: ax + by + c = 0  $line_i = \begin{bmatrix} a_i \\ b_i \\ c_i \end{bmatrix}$
- Append 1 to pixel coordinate to get homogeneous coordinate  $p_i = \begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ v_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- Line given by cross product of two points  $line_{ii} = p_i \times p_i$
- Intersection of two lines given by cross product of the lines  $q_{ij} = line_i \times line_j$

### What are Geometric Transformations?



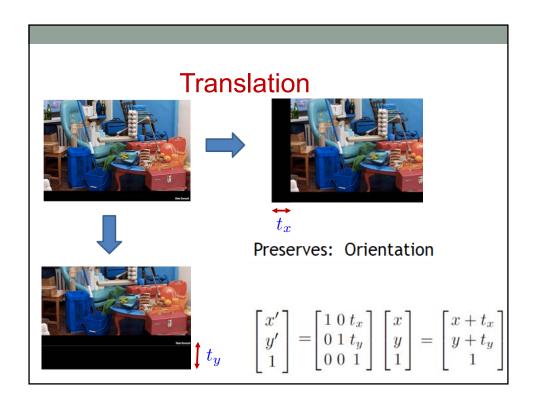


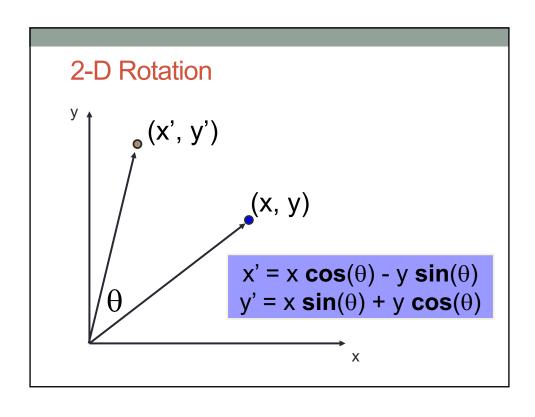












#### 2-D Rotation

This is easy to capture in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

Even though  $sin(\theta)$  and  $cos(\theta)$  are nonlinear functions of  $\theta$ ,

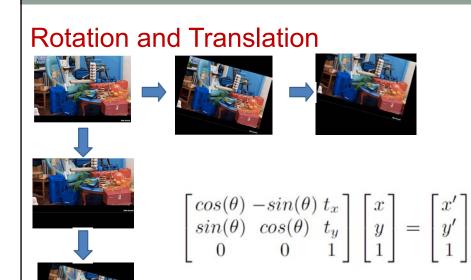
- · x' is a linear combination of x and y
- · y' is a linear combination of x and y

What is the inverse transformation?

Rotation by −θ

$$\mathbf{R}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^T$$

For rotation matrices

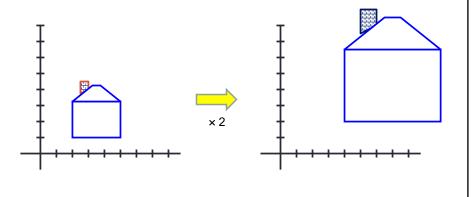


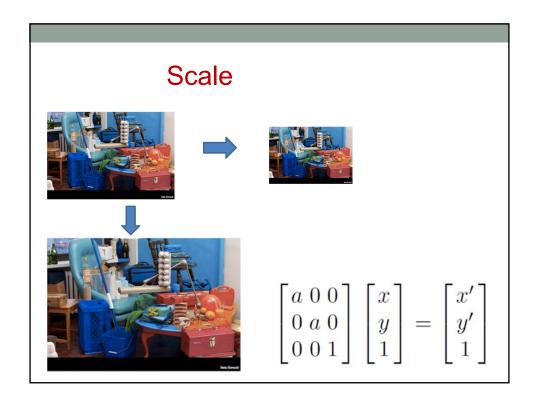
commutative

Translations and Rotations are not

## Scaling

- Scaling a coordinate means multiplying each of its components by a scalar
- Uniform scaling means this scalar is the same for all components:





## **Similarity Transformations**

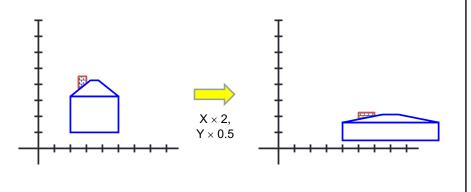


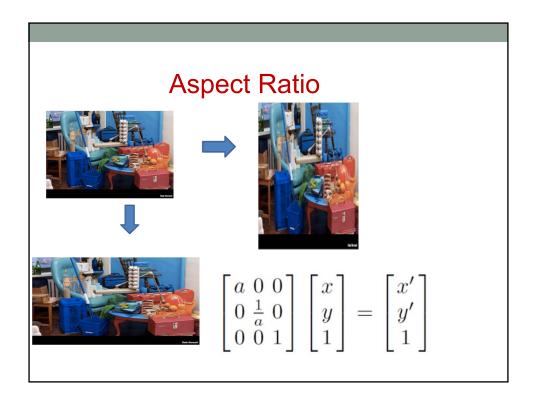
Similarity transform (4 DoF) = translation + rotation + scale

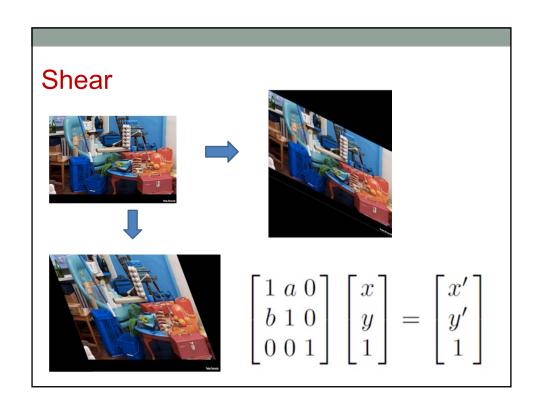
Preserves: Angles

## Aspect Ratio

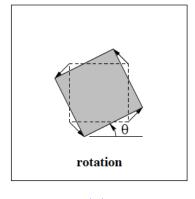
• Non-uniform scaling: different scalars per component:



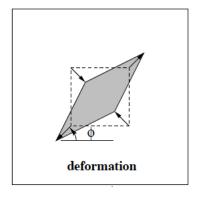




## **Planar Affine Deformation**



 $R(\theta)$ 



$$R(-\phi)DR(\phi)$$

#### **Basic 2D Transformations**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 \\ 0 & s_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$
Scale

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\Theta & -\sin\Theta \\ \sin\Theta & \cos\Theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$
Rotate

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Affine

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha_x \\ \alpha_y & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Translate

Affine is any combination of translation, scale, rotation, and shear

#### **Affine Transformations**

Affine transformations are combinations of

- Linear transformations, and
- Translations

Properties of affine transformations:

- · Lines map to lines
- Parallel lines remain parallel
- Ratios are preserved
- · Closed under composition

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## What is missing?





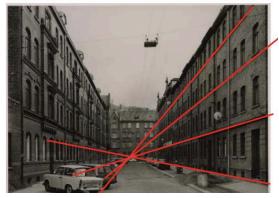
Are there any other planar transformations?

## Vanishing Points and Lines



Photo from online Tate collection

## Note on Estimating Vanishing Points



Use multiple lines for better accuracy

... but lines will not intersect at exactly the same point in practice One solution: take mean of intersecting pairs

... bad idea!

Instead, minimize angular differences

#### **General Affine**

We already used these

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Projective Transformations**

a.k.a. Homographies

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{aligned} x' &= u/w \\ y' &= v/w \end{aligned}$$



"keystone" distortions



## **Projective Transformations**







Similarity

Affine

Projective

## **Projective Transformations**

Projective transformations are combos of

- Affine transformations, and
- Projective warps

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

Properties of projective transformations:

- · Lines map to lines
- · Parallel lines do not necessarily remain parallel
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- Models change of basis
- Projective matrix is defined up to a scale (8 DOF)

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Line given by cross product of two points

$$line_{ij} = p_i \times p_j$$

 Intersection of two lines given by cross product of the lines

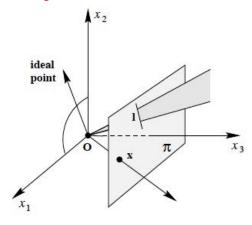
$$q_{ij} = line_i \times line_j$$

## Example: Intersection of Parallel lines

$$x = 1$$
  $l = (-1, 0, 1)^T$   
 $x = 2$   $l' = (-1, 0, 2)^T$ 

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{l'} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 2D Projective Plane



## **Projective Transformations**

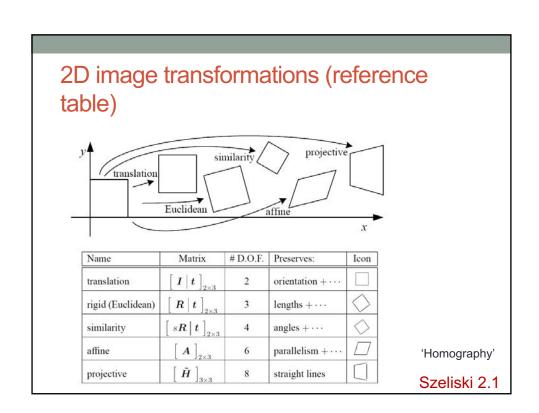
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#### Bonus: Geometric transformations

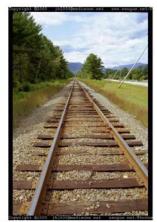
Use different geometric transformations to deform different images (or the same image) and merge the deformed images in a creative way.

Explain in text (math) what have you done.

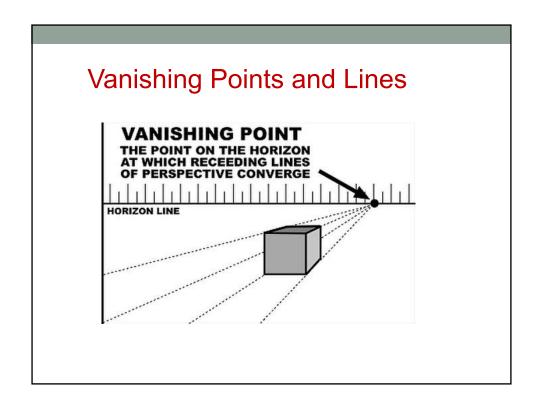
Best outcome winner gets extra .5 bonus point.

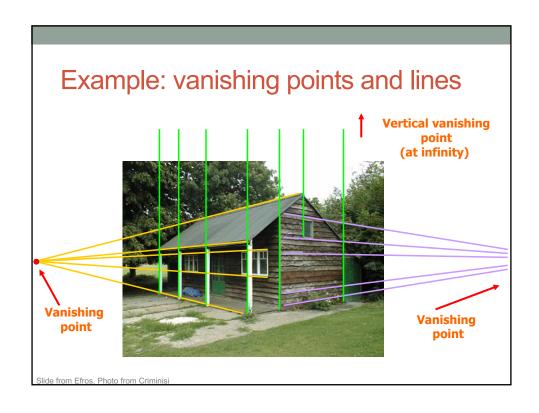
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## Vanishing Points and Lines



Parallel lines in the world intersect in the image at a "vanishing point"







## Given matches, what is the transformation?





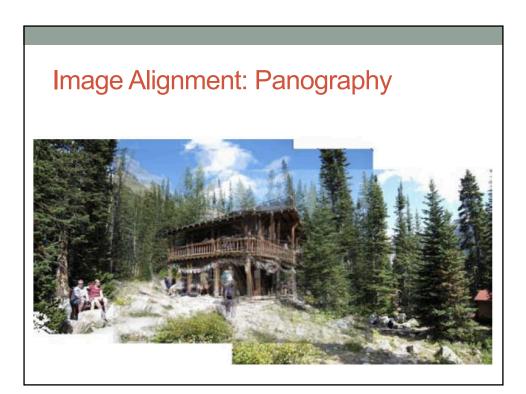
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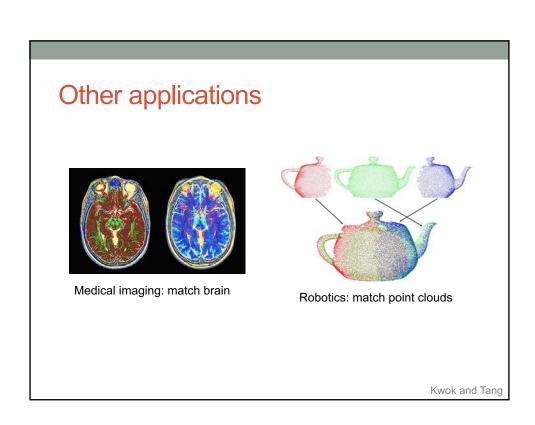
#### Fitting:

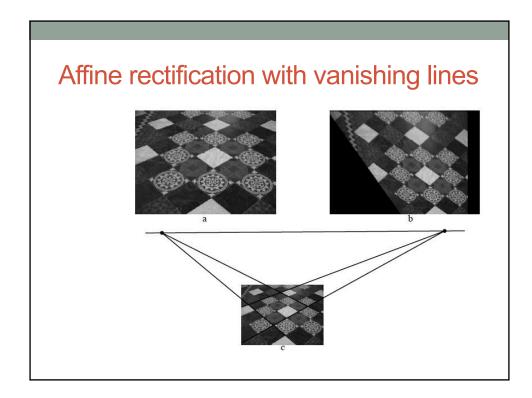
Find the parameters of a model that best fit the data.

#### Alignment:

Find the parameters of the transformation that best aligns matched points.







#### Fitting and Alignment

- Challenges
  - Design a suitable goodness of fit measure
    - · Similarity should reflect application goals
    - Encode robustness to outliers and noise
  - Design an optimization method
    - Avoid local optima
    - Find best parameters quickly
  - Typically want to solve for a global transformation that accounts for the most true correspondences
    - Noise (typically 1-3 pixels)
    - Outliers (often 50%)
    - Many-to-one matches or multiple objects

## Fitting and Alignment: Methods

- Global optimization / search for parameters
  - · Least squares fit
  - Robust least squares
  - Iterative closest point (ICP)
- Hypothesize and test
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#### 2D Alignment with Least Squares

Given a set of matched feature points  $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_i')\}$  and a planar parametric transformation of the form:

$$\mathbf{x}' = f(\mathbf{x}; p)$$

How can we estimate p?

$$E_{LS} = \sum_i \frac{||m{x}|| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2}}{||f(\mathbf{x}_i; p) - \mathbf{x}_i'||^2}$$
 Predicted measured

Residual (projection error)



#### 2D Alignment with Least Squares

$$E_{LS} = \sum_{i} ||f(\mathbf{x}_i; p) - \mathbf{x}_i'||^2$$

Find parameters that minimize squared error

$$\hat{oldsymbol{p}} = rg\min_{oldsymbol{p}} \sum_i \|oldsymbol{f}(oldsymbol{x}_i; oldsymbol{p}) - oldsymbol{x}_i'\|^2$$

#### 2D Alignment with Least Squares

#### General form of linear least squares

(Warning: change of notation. x is a vector of parameters!)

$$E_{ ext{LLS}} = \sum_i |oldsymbol{a}_i oldsymbol{x} - oldsymbol{b}_i|^2 \ = \|oldsymbol{A} oldsymbol{x} - oldsymbol{b}\|^2 \quad ext{ iny (matrix form)}$$

This function is quadratic.

How do you find the root of a quadratic?

#### 2D Alignment with Least Squares

Minimize the error:

Expand

$$E_{\text{LLS}} = \boldsymbol{x}^{\top} (\mathbf{A}^{\top} \mathbf{A}) \boldsymbol{x} - 2 \boldsymbol{x}^{\top} (\mathbf{A}^{\top} \boldsymbol{b}) + \|\boldsymbol{b}\|^{2}$$

Take derivative, set to zero

$$(\mathbf{A}^{\top}\mathbf{A})x = \mathbf{A}^{\top}b$$

(normal equation)

Solve for x

$$\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A}^{\top} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^{\top} \mathbf{b}$$

#### 2D Alignment with Least Squares **Translation**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + t_x \\ y + t_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

#### 2D Alignment with Least Squares

#### Affine transformations

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$





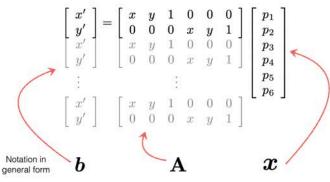
- · How many unknowns?
- How many equations per match?
- · How many matches do we need?

#### 2D Alignment with Least Squares

For the Affine transformation 
$$m{x}' = m{f}(m{x}; m{p})$$
  $m{x}' = m{M}m{x}$   $egin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} p_1 & p_2 & p_3 \\ p_4 & p_5 & p_6 \end{bmatrix} egin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Vectorize transformation parameters

**Affine** 



#### 2D Alignment with Least Squares

$$E_{LS} = \sum_{i} ||f(\mathbf{x}_i; p) - \mathbf{x}_i'||^2$$

There is a linear relationship between the transformation parameters (Translation, Similarity, Affine) and the differences between the coordinates:  $\Delta \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x} = J(\mathbf{x})p$ 

where  $J=rac{\partial f}{\partial p}$  is the Jacobian of the transformation f

with respect to the motion parameters p

#### 2D Alignment with Least Squares

$$E_{\text{LLS}} = \sum_{i} \| \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \boldsymbol{p} - \Delta \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \|^{2}$$

$$= \boldsymbol{p}^{T} \left[ \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \right] \boldsymbol{p} - 2\boldsymbol{p}^{T} \left[ \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \Delta \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \right] + \sum_{i} \| \Delta \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \|^{2}$$

$$= \boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{p} - 2\boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{b} + c.$$

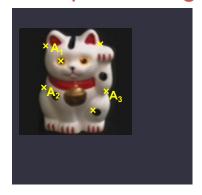
The minimum can be found by solving the symmetric positive definite (SPD) system of normal equations:  ${\bf A}p=b$ 

where 
$$m{A} = \sum_i m{J}^T(m{x}_i) m{J}(m{x}_i)$$
 Hessian  $m{b} = \sum_i m{J}^T(m{x}_i) \Delta m{x}_i$ 

## 2D Coordinate Transformations and Jacobians

Transform	Matrix	Parameters $p$	Jacobian J
translation	$\left[egin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & t_x \ 0 & 1 & t_y \end{array} ight]$	$(t_x,t_y)$	$\left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array}\right]$
Euclidean	$\left[egin{array}{ccc} c_{ heta} & -s_{ heta} & t_x \ s_{ heta} & c_{ heta} & t_y \end{array} ight]$	$(t_x,t_y, heta)$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -s_{\theta}x - c_{\theta}y \\ 0 & 1 & c_{\theta}x - s_{\theta}y \end{bmatrix}$
similarity	$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1+a & -b & t_x \\ b & 1+a & t_y \end{array}\right]$	$(t_x,t_y,a,b)$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & x & -y \\ 0 & 1 & y & x \end{array}\right]$
affine	$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 + a_{00} & a_{01} & t_x \\ a_{10} & 1 + a_{11} & t_y \end{array}\right]$	$(t_x, t_y, a_{00}, a_{01}, a_{10}, a_{11})$	$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

# Example: solving for translation





Given matched points in {A} and {B}, estimate the translation of the object

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_i^B \\ y_i^B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_i^A \\ y_i^A \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \end{bmatrix}$$

# Example: solving for translation





#### **Least squares solution**

- 1. Write down objective function
- 2. Derived solution
  - a) Compute derivative
  - b) Compute solution
- 3. Computational solution
  - a) Write in form Ax=p
  - b) Solve using closed-form solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_i^B \\ y_i^B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_i^A \\ y_i^A \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^B - x_1^A \\ y_1^B - y_1^A \\ \vdots \\ x_n^B - x_n^A \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Solving for translation







for the case of translation -

the average translation

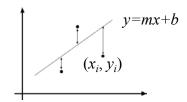
between corresponding points or,

equivalently, the translation of the point centroids

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$$(x_i,y_i)$$

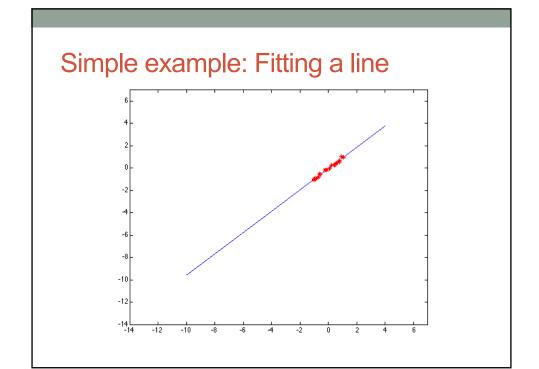
$$E = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_i & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m \\ b \end{bmatrix} - y_i \right)^2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m \\ b \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \Big|^2 = \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{y}\|^2$$

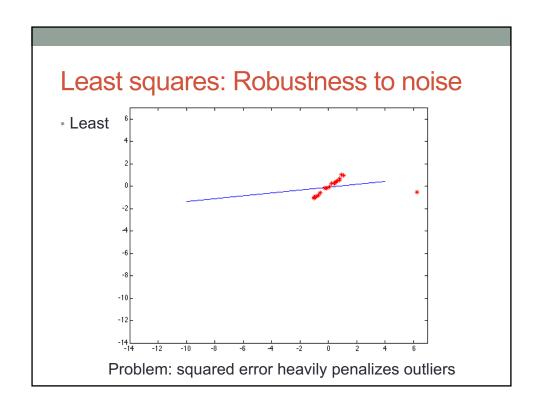
$$= \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} - 2(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{p})^T \mathbf{y} + (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{p})^T (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{p})$$

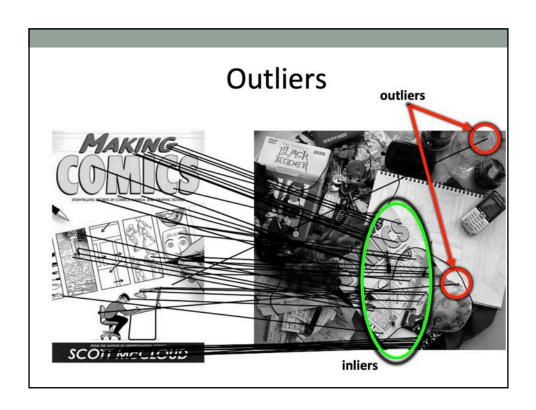
$$\frac{dE}{dp} = 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{p} - 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} \Rightarrow \mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} \quad \text{(Closed form solution)}$$

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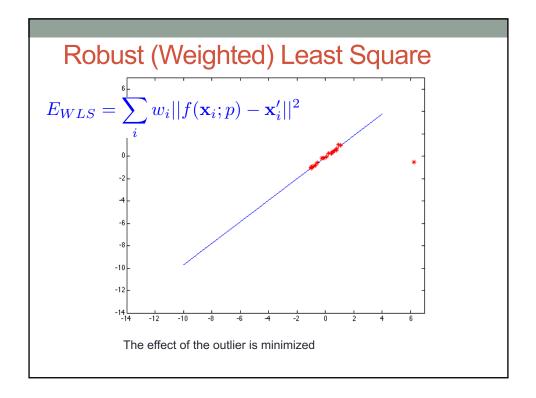
# Least squares (global) optimization

#### Good

- Clearly specified objective
- Optimization is easy

#### Bad

- Sensitive to outliers
  - · Bad matches, extra points
- Doesn't allow you to get multiple good fits
  - Detecting multiple objects, lines, etc.



### Robust estimation: Details

- Robust fitting is a nonlinear optimization problem that must be solved iteratively
- Scale of robust function should be chosen adaptively based on median residual
- Least squares solution can be used for initialization

# Other ways to search for parameters for when no closed form solution exists

#### Line search

- 1. For each parameter, step through values and choose value that gives best fit
- 2. Repeat (1) until no parameter changes

#### Grid search

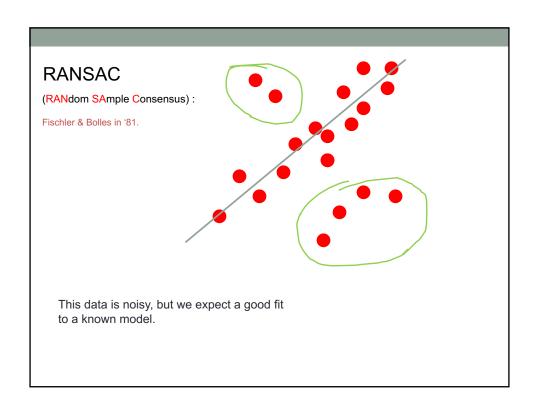
- 1. Propose several sets of parameters, evenly sampled in the joint set
- 2. Choose best (or top few) and sample joint parameters around the current best; repeat

#### Gradient descent

- 1. Provide initial position (e.g., random)
- 2. Locally search for better parameters by following gradient

# Hypothesize and test

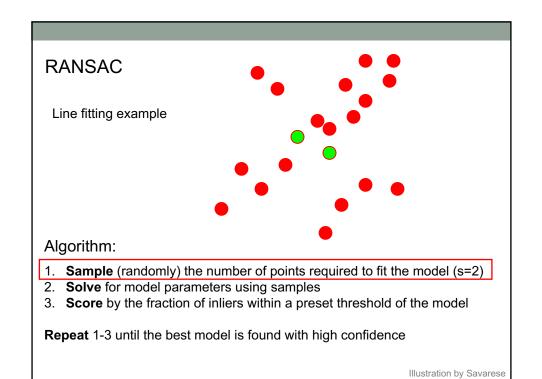
- 1. Propose parameters
  - Try all possible
  - Each point votes for all consistent parameters
  - Repeatedly sample enough points to solve for parameters
- 2. Score the given parameters
  - Number of consistent points, possibly weighted by distance
- 3. Choose from among the set of parameters
  - Global or local maximum of scores
- 4. Possibly refine parameters using inliers



# RANSAC (RANdom SAmple Consensus): Fischler & Bolles in '81. Algorithm:

- 1. **Sample** (randomly) the number of points *s* required to fit the model
- 2. **Solve** for model parameters using samples
- 3. **Score** by the fraction of inliers within a preset threshold of the model

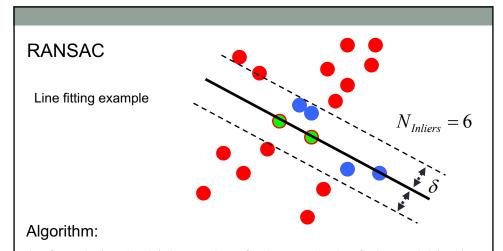
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# RANSAC Line fitting example

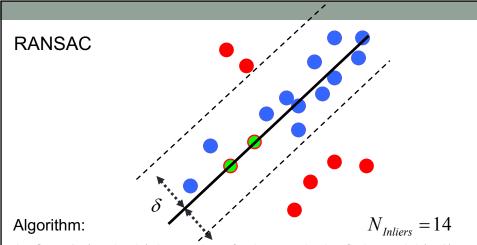
- Algorithm:
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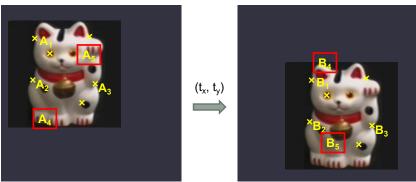




Given matched points in {A} and {B}, estimate the translation of the object

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_i^B \\ y_i^B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_i^A \\ y_i^A \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \end{bmatrix}$$

# Example: solving for translation



**Problem: outliers** 

#### **RANSAC** solution

- 1. Sample a set of matching points (1 pair)
- 2. Solve for transformation parameters
- 3. Score parameters with number of inliers
- 4. Repeat steps 1-3 N times

# $\begin{bmatrix} x_i^B \\ y_i^B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_i^A \\ y_i^A \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \end{bmatrix}$

### **RANSAC** conclusions

#### Good

- Robust to outliers
- Applicable for larger number of objective function parameters than Hough transform
- Optimization parameters are easier to choose than Hough transform

#### Bad

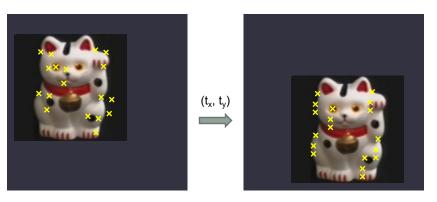
- Computational time grows quickly with fraction of outliers and number of parameters
- · Not good for getting multiple fits

#### Common applications

- Computing a homography (e.g., image stitching)
- Estimating fundamental matrix (relating two views)

# What if we want to align... but we have no matched pairs?

· Hough transform and RANSAC not applicable



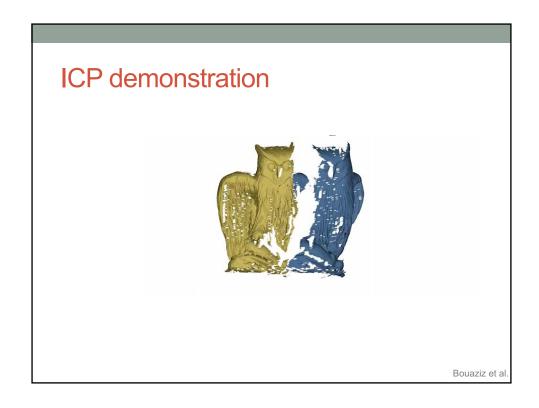
Problem: no initial guesses for correspondence

## Iterative Closest Points (ICP) Algorithm

#### Goal:

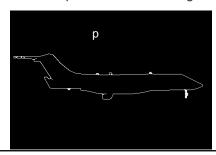
Estimate transform between two dense point sets  $\mathbf{S_1}$  and  $\mathbf{S_2}$ 

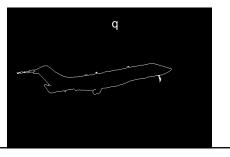
- 1. Initialize transformation
  - Compute difference in mean positions, subtract
  - · Compute difference in scales, normalize
- 2. **Assign** each point in S<sub>1</sub> to its nearest neighbor in S<sub>2</sub>
- 3. Estimate transformation parameters T
  - Least squares or robust least squares, e.g., rigid transform
- 4. **Transform** the points in S<sub>1</sub> using estimated parameters T
- 5. **Repeat** steps 2-4 until change is very small (convergence)



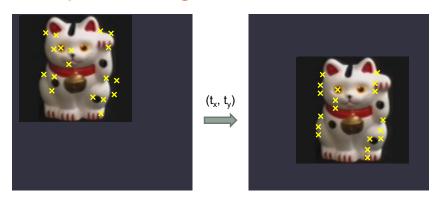
# Example: aligning boundaries

- 1. Extract edge pixels  $p_1 ... p_n$  and  $q_1 ... q_m$
- 2. Compute initial transformation (e.g., compute translation and scaling by center of mass, variance within each image)
- 3. Get nearest neighbors: for each point  $p_i$  find corresponding  $match(i) = \underset{j}{argmin} \ dist(pi, qj)$
- 4. Compute transformation T based on matches
- 5. Transform points **p** according to **T**
- 6. Repeat 3-5 until convergence





## Example: solving for translation



Problem: no initial guesses for correspondence

#### **ICP** solution

- 1. Find nearest neighbors for each point
- 2. Compute transform using matches
- 3. Move points using transform
- 4. Repeat steps 1-3 until convergence

# Algorithm Summaries

- Least Squares Fit
  - Closed form solution
  - · Robust to noise
  - Not robust to outliers
- Robust Least Squares
  - Improves robustness to outliers
  - · Requires iterative optimization
- RANSAC
  - Robust to noise and outliers
  - · Works with a moderate number of parameters (e.g, 1-8)
- Iterative Closest Point (ICP)
  - · For local alignment only: does not require initial correspondences
  - Sensitive to initialization
- Hough transform
  - · Robust to noise and outliers
  - · Can fit multiple models
  - Only works for a few parameters (1-4 typically)