Image Transformations + Warping

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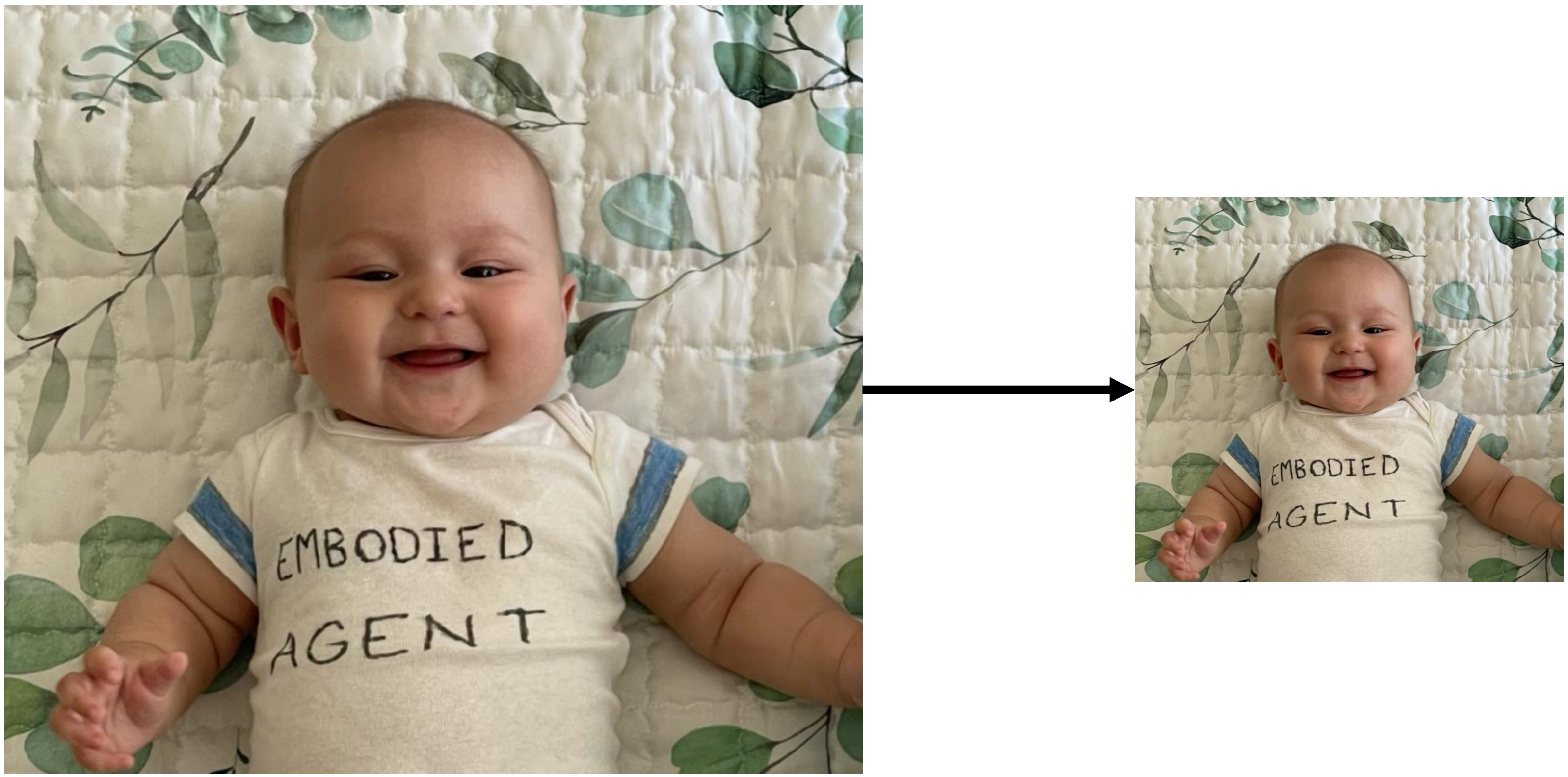
Logistics

If you are CE who made it into class, but originally wanted to get into CS280A let me know.

Today you will learn how to do this:



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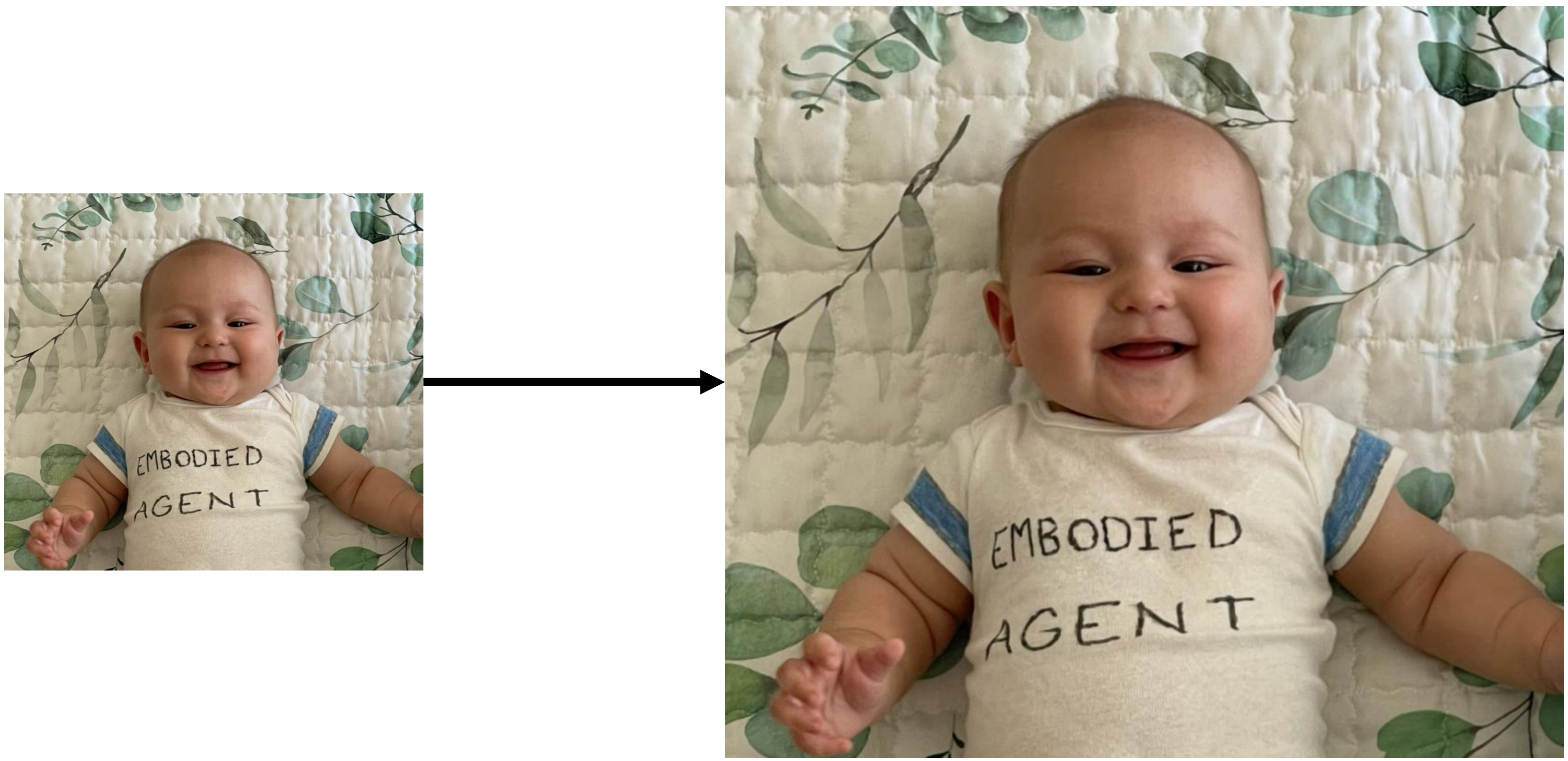


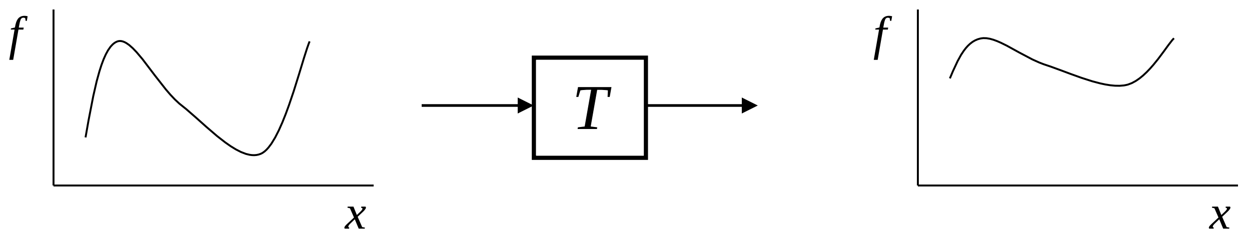
Or this!

You will learn how to make panoramas

Image Transformations

image filtering: change ***range*** of image

$$g(x) = T(f(x))$$



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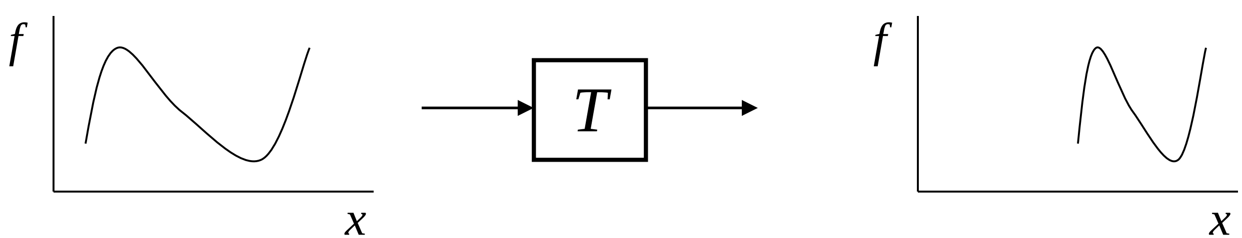

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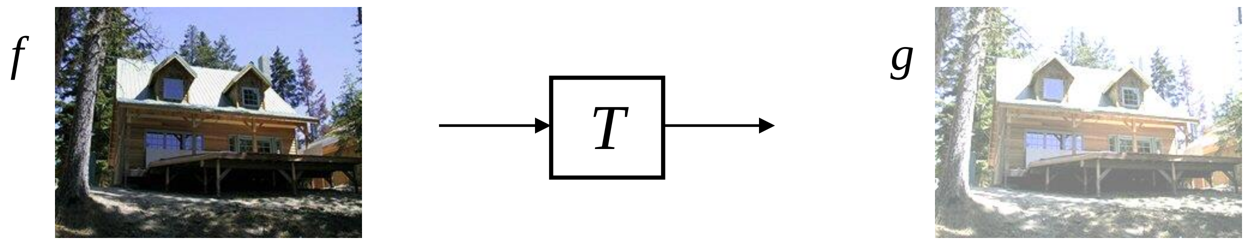

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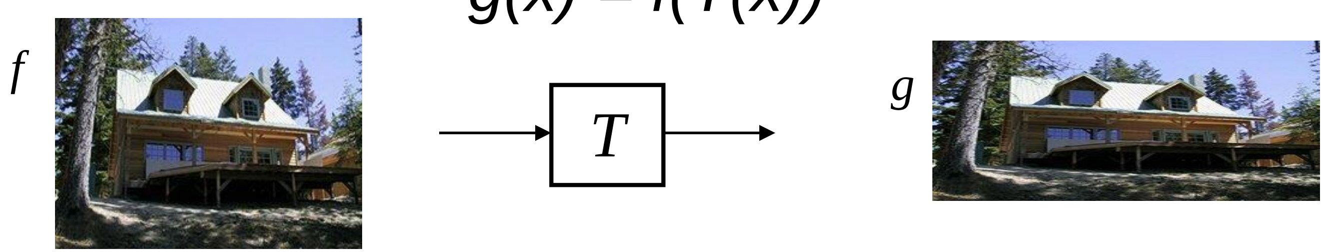


Parametric (global) warping

Examples of parametric warps:

translation

rotation

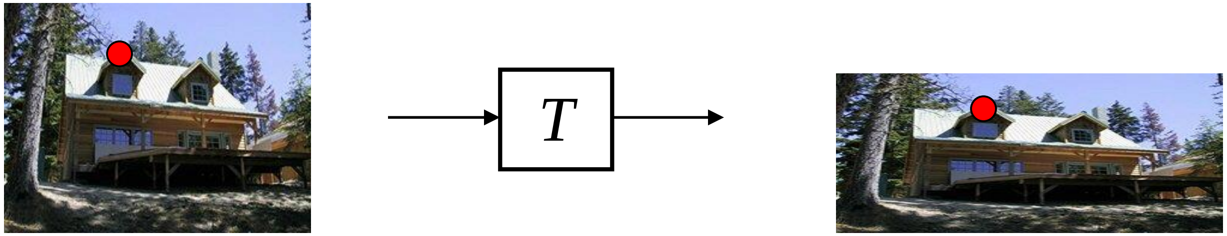
aspect

affine

perspective

cylindrical

Parametric (global) warping



p = (x,y) **p'** = (x',y')

Transformation T is a coordinate-changing machine:

p' = *T*(p)

What does it mean that *T* is global?

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

Let's represent a <u>linear</u> *T* as a matrix:

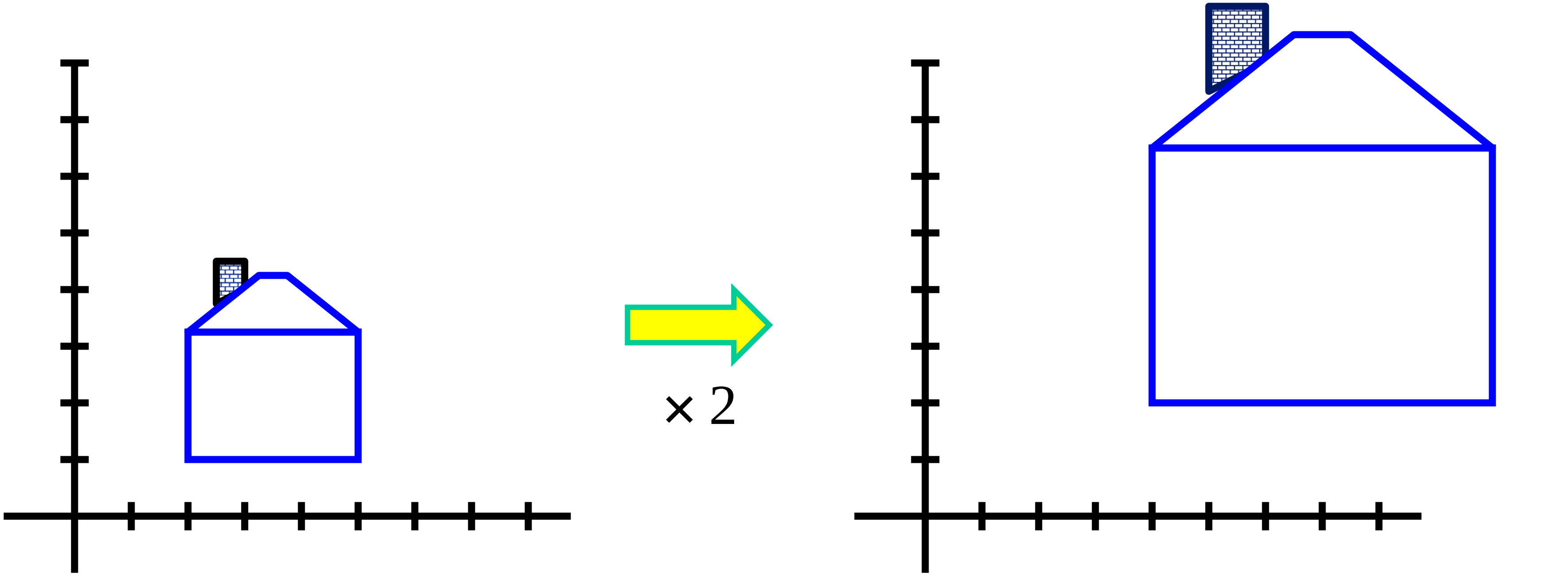
p' = **M**p

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{M} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

Scaling

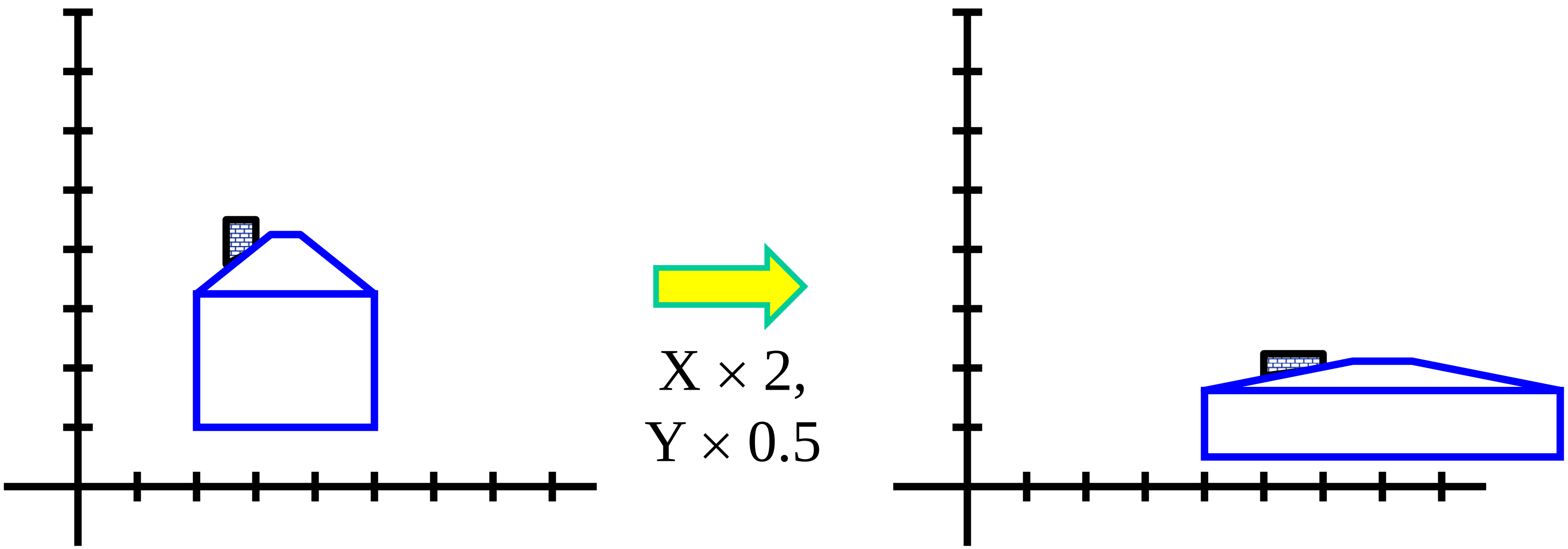
Scaling a coordinate means multiplying each of its components by a scalar

Uniform scaling means this scalar is the same for all components:



Scaling

Non-uniform scaling: different scalars per component:



Scaling

Scaling operation:

$$x' = ax$$

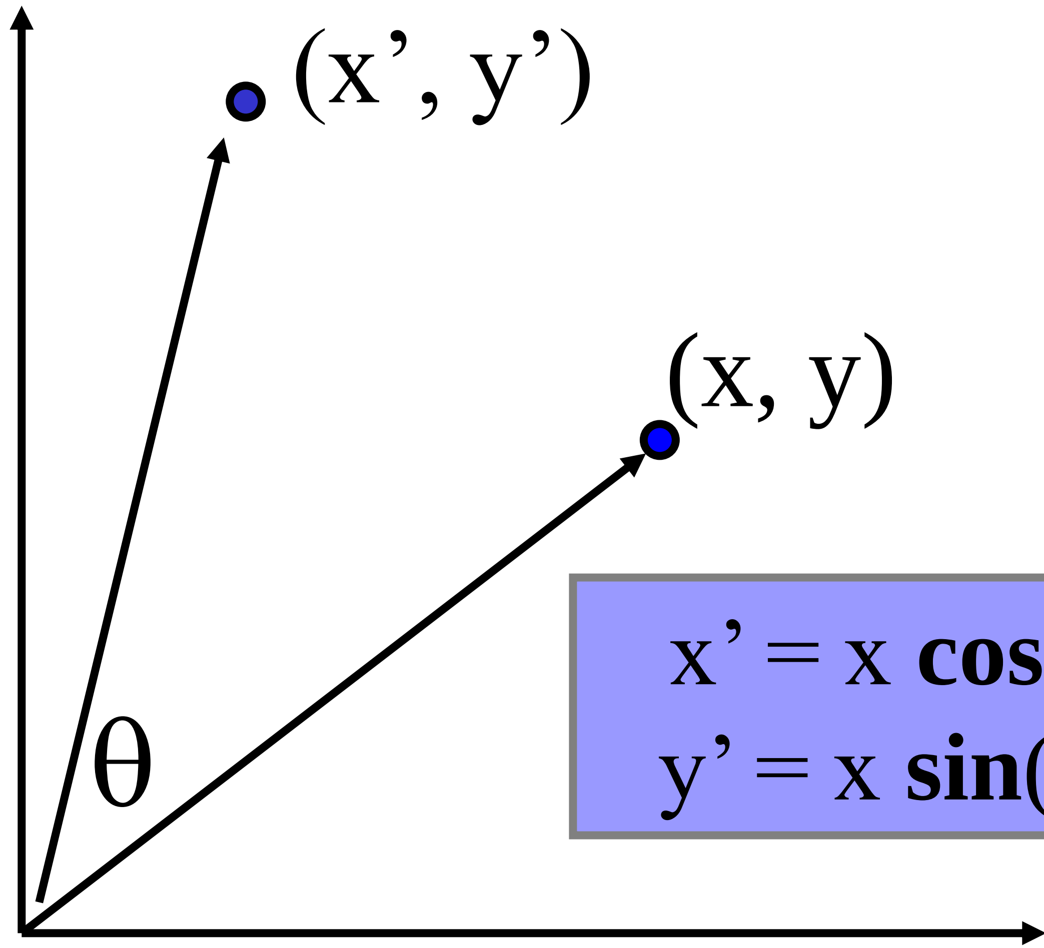
$$y' = by$$

Or, in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}}_{\textit{scaling matrix } S} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

What's inverse of S?

2-D Rotation



$$x' = x\ \mathbf{cos}(\theta) - y\ \mathbf{sin}(\theta)$$
$$y' = x\ \mathbf{sin}(\theta) + y\ \mathbf{cos}(\theta)$$

2-D Rotation

This is easy to capture in matrix form:

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

Is this a linear transformation?

Even though sin(θ) and cos(θ) are nonlinear functions of θ,

- ***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
- For rotation matrices

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

2x2 Matrices

What types of transformations can be represented with a 2x2 matrix?

2D Identity?

$$x' = x$$
$$y' = y$$

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

2D Scale around (0,0)?

$$\boldsymbol{x}' = \boldsymbol{s}_x * \boldsymbol{x}$$
$$\boldsymbol{y}' = \boldsymbol{s}_y * \boldsymbol{y}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}' \\ \boldsymbol{y}' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{s}_x & 0 \\ 0 & \boldsymbol{s}_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x} \\ \boldsymbol{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

2x2 Matrices

What types of transformations can be represented with a 2x2 matrix?

2D Rotate around (0,0)?

$$x' = \cos\Theta * x - \sin\Theta * y$$
$$y' = \sin\Theta * x + \cos\Theta * y$$

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

2D Shear?

$$x' = x + sh_x * y$$
$$y' = sh_y * x + y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & sh_x \\ sh_y & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

2x2 Matrices

What types of transformations can be represented with a 2x2 matrix?

2D Mirror about Y axis?

$$x' = -x$$
$$y' = y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

Reflection through (0,0)?

$$x' = -x$$
$$y' = -y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

All 2D Linear Transformations

Linear transformations are combinations of …

- Scale,
- Rotation,
- Shear, and
- Mirror/Reflection

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

Properties of linear transformations:

- Origin maps to origin
- Lines map to lines
- Parallel lines remain parallel
- Ratios are preserved
- Closed under composition

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

2x2 Matrices

What types of transformations can be represented with a 2x2 matrix?

2D Translation?

$$x' = x + t_x$$

$$y' = y + t_y$$

NO!

Only linear 2D transformations can be represented with a 2x2 matrix

Homogeneous Coordinates

Q: How can we represent translation as a 3x3 matrix?

$$x' = x + t_x$$

$$y' = y + t_y$$

A: Using the rightmost column:

$$\mathbf{T}ranslation = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Homogeneous Coordinates

Homogeneous coordinates

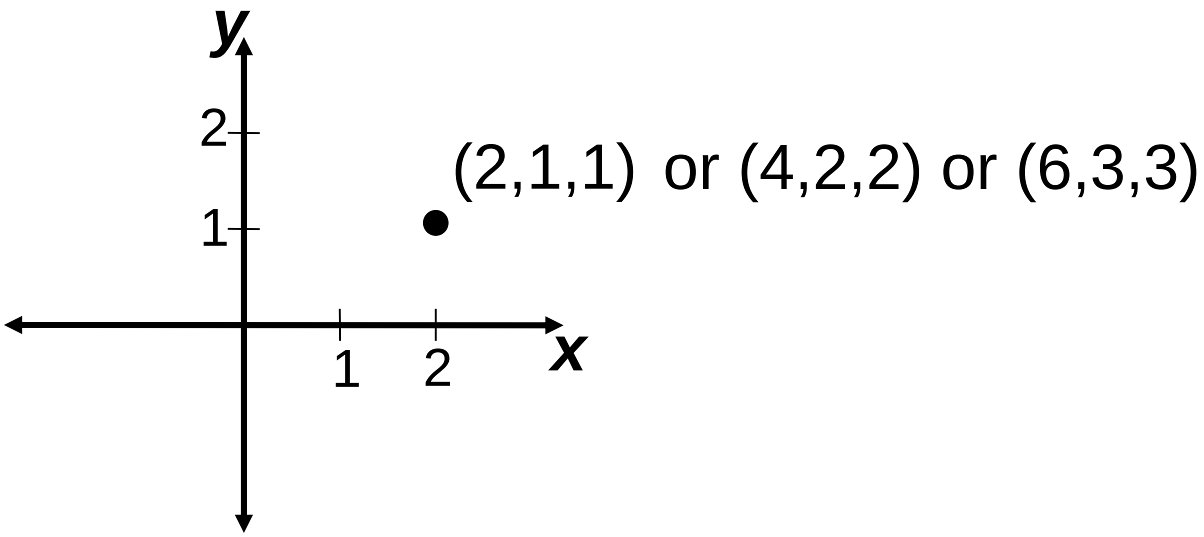
- represent coordinates in 2 dimensions with a 3-vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{homogeneous coords}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Homogeneous Coordinates

Add a 3rd coordinate to every 2D point

- (x, y, w) represents a point at location (x/w, y/w)
- (x, y, 0) represents a point at infinity
- (0, 0, 0) is not allowed



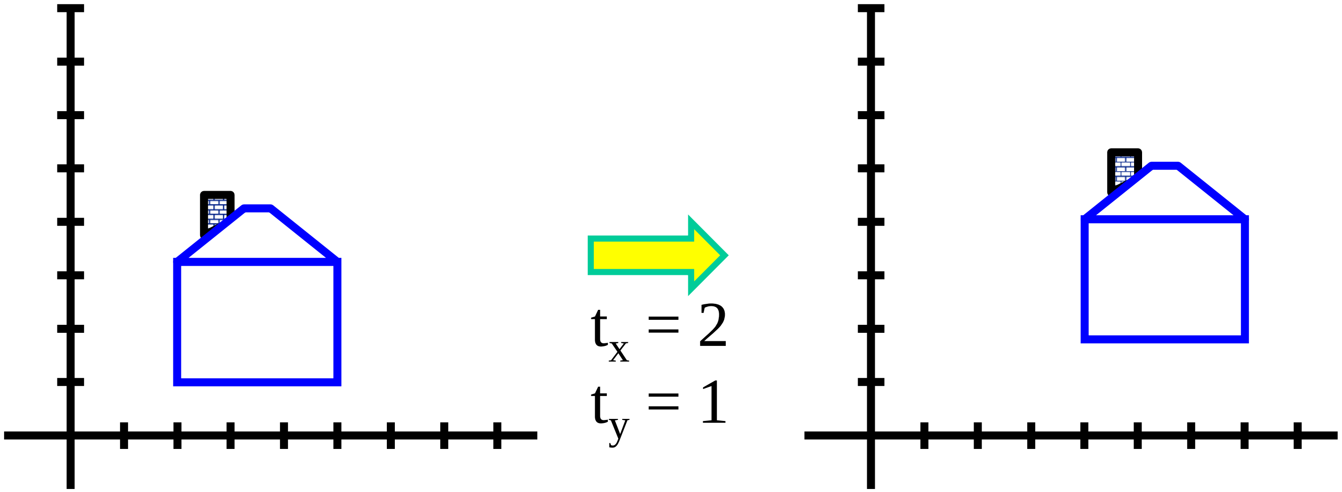
Convenient tool to express translation as a linear transform

Translation

Example of translation

Homogeneous Coordinates

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



Basic 2D Transformations

Basic 2D transformations as 3x3 matrices

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

Translate

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}' \\ \boldsymbol{y}' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{s}_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \boldsymbol{s}_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x} \\ \boldsymbol{y} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Scale

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\Theta & -\sin\Theta & 0 \\ \sin\Theta & \cos\Theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotate

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}' \\ \boldsymbol{y}' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \boldsymbol{sh}_x & 0 \\ \boldsymbol{sh}_y & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x} \\ \boldsymbol{y} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Shear

Matrix Composition

Transformations can be combined by matrix multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & tx \\ 0 & 1 & ty \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\Theta & -\sin\Theta & 0 \\ \sin\Theta & \cos\Theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} sx & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & sy & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$

p' = $T(t_x,t_y)$ $R(\Theta)$ $S(s_x,s_y)$ **p**

Does the order of multiplication matter?

Affine Transformations

Affine transformations are combinations of …

- Linear transformations, and
- Translations

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

Properties of affine transformations:

- Origin does not necessarily map to origin (translation!)
- Lines map to lines
- Parallel lines remain parallel
- Ratios are preserved
- Closed under composition
- Models change of basis

Will the last coordinate *w* always be 1?

Projective Transformations/Homography

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

Projective transformations …

- Affine transformations, and
- Projective warps

Properties of projective transformations:

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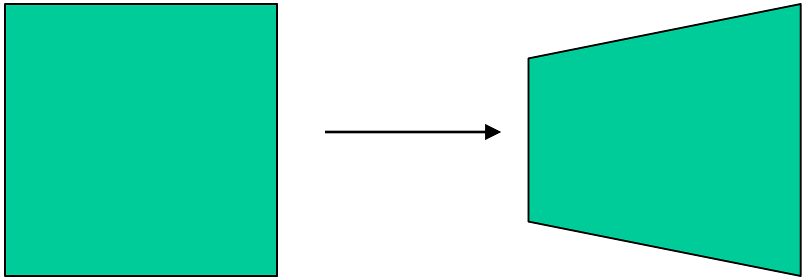
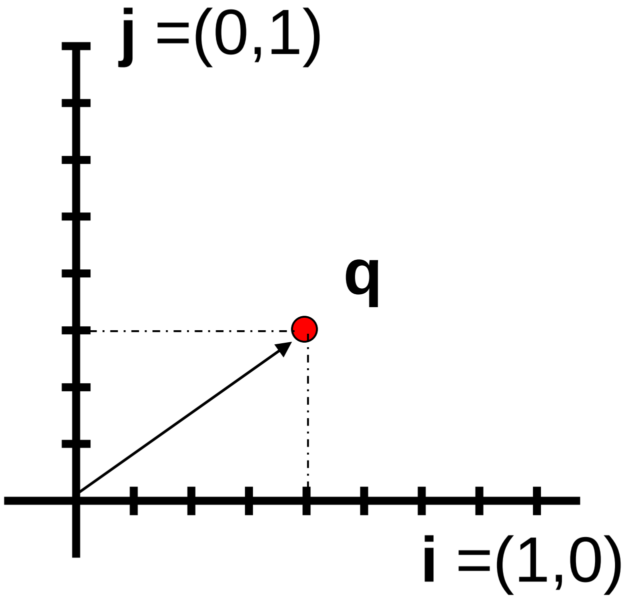
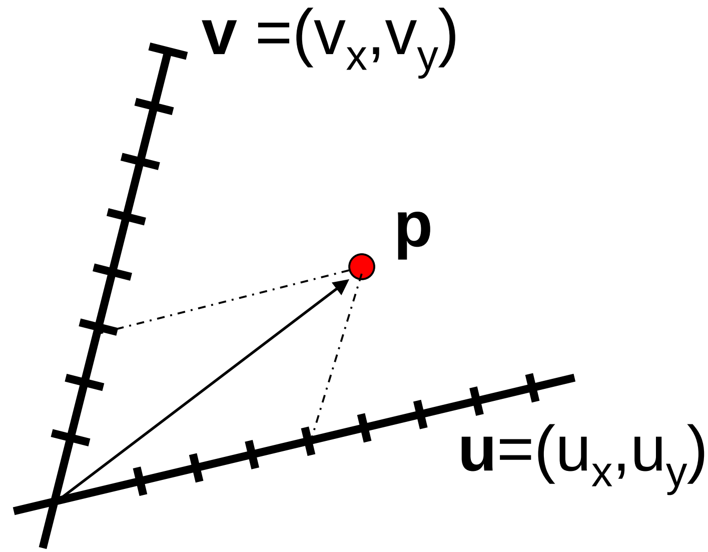


Another way to think about transformation





$\mathbf{q}=4\mathbf{i}+3\mathbf{j} = (4,3)$

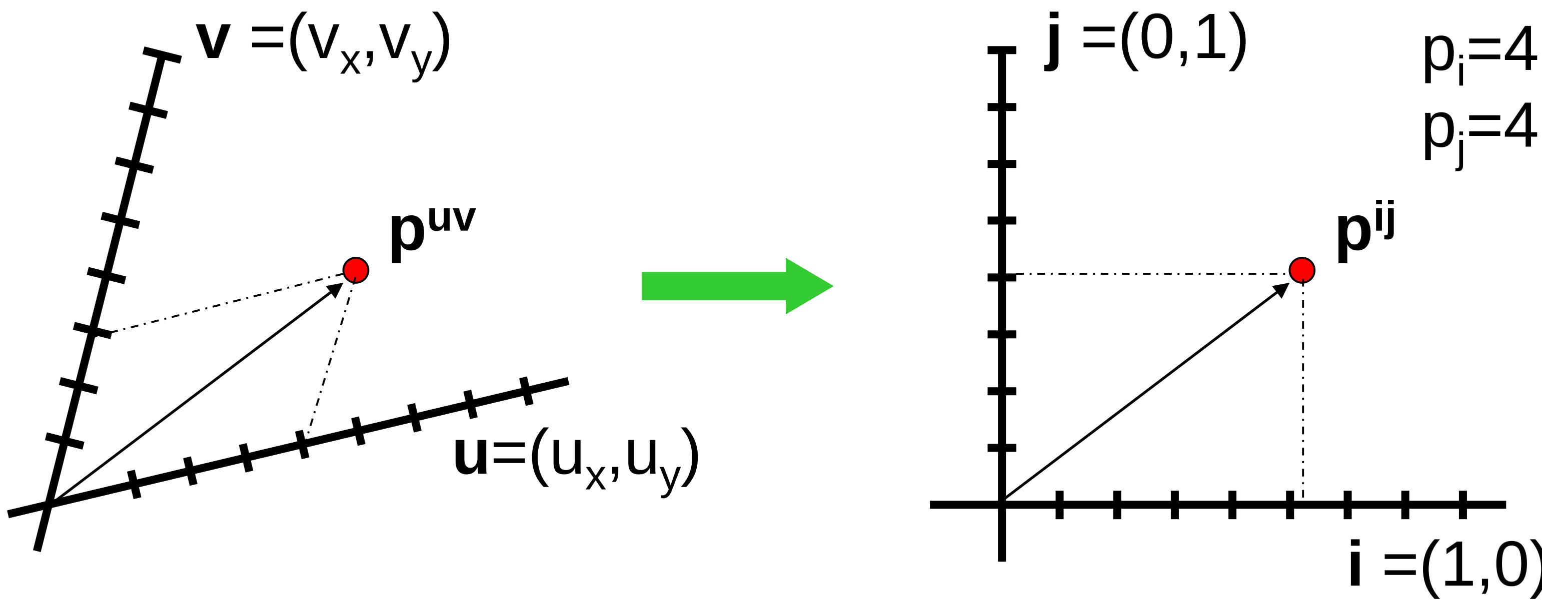
$\mathbf{p}=4\mathbf{u}+3\mathbf{v}$

ij-basis

uv-basis

Same point represented using a Different Basis

Linear Transformations as Change of Basis



$p_i = 4u_x + 3v_x$
$p_j = 4u_y + 3v_y$

$\mathbf{p}^{uv} = (4,3)$

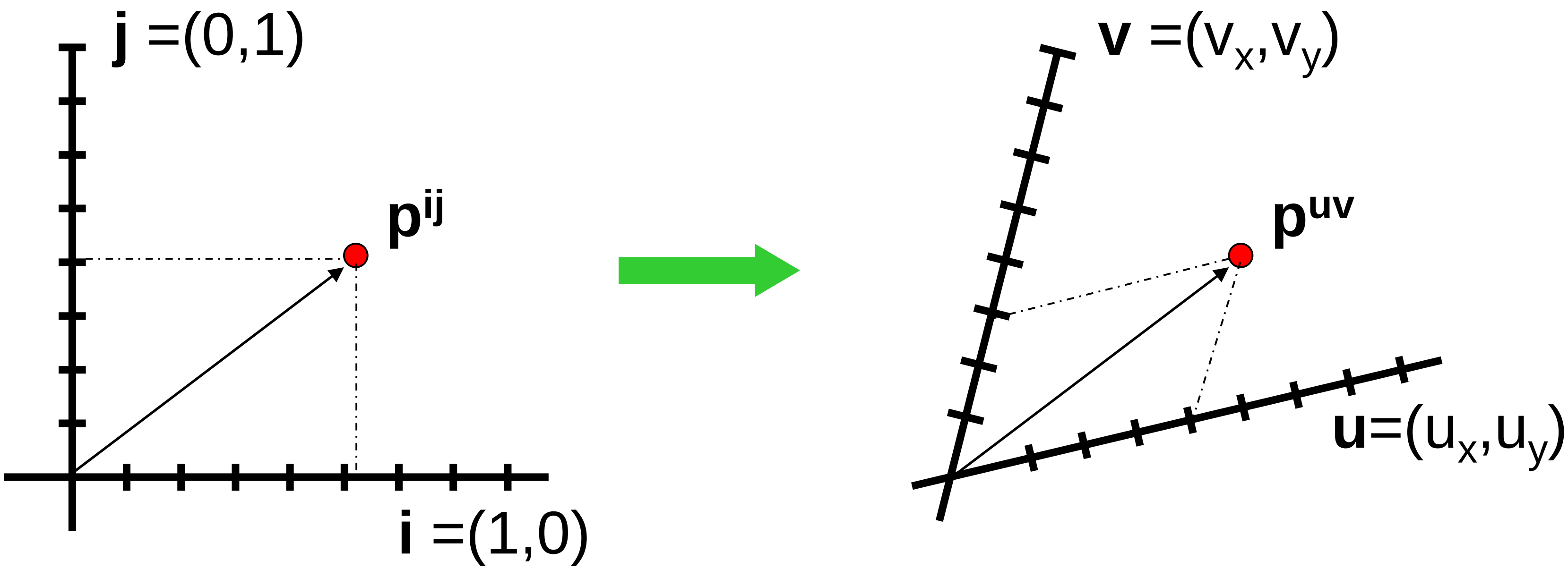
$\mathbf{p}^{ij} = 4\mathbf{u} + 3\mathbf{v}$

$$\mathbf{p}^{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & v_x \\ u_y & v_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & v_x \\ u_y & v_y \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}^{uv}$$

Transformation from uv to ij basis

Any linear transformation is a basis!!!

What's the inverse transform?



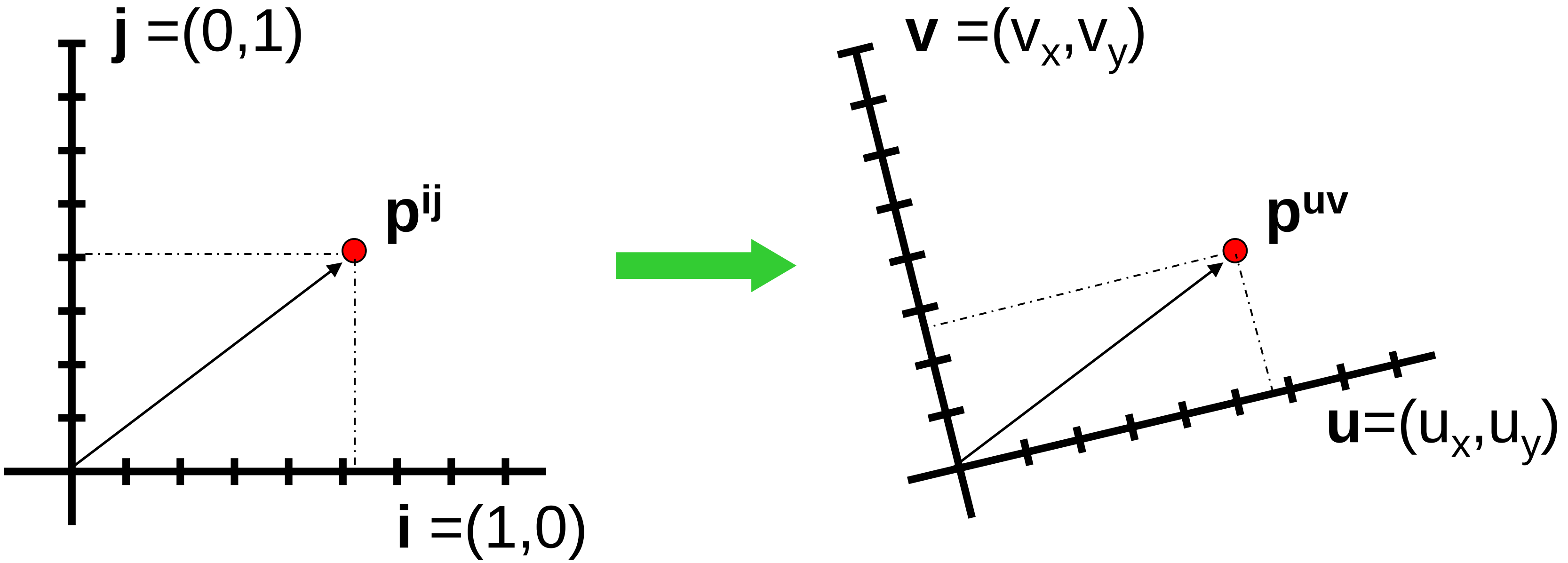
$\mathbf{p}^{ij} = (5,4) = p_x\mathbf{u} + p_y\mathbf{v}$

$\mathbf{p}^{uv} = (p_x, p_y) = ?$

$$\mathbf{p}^{uv} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & v_x \\ u_y & v_y \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & v_x \\ u_y & v_y \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \mathbf{p}^{ij}$$

- How can we change from any basis to any basis?
- What if the basis are orthogonal?

Projection onto orthogonal basis

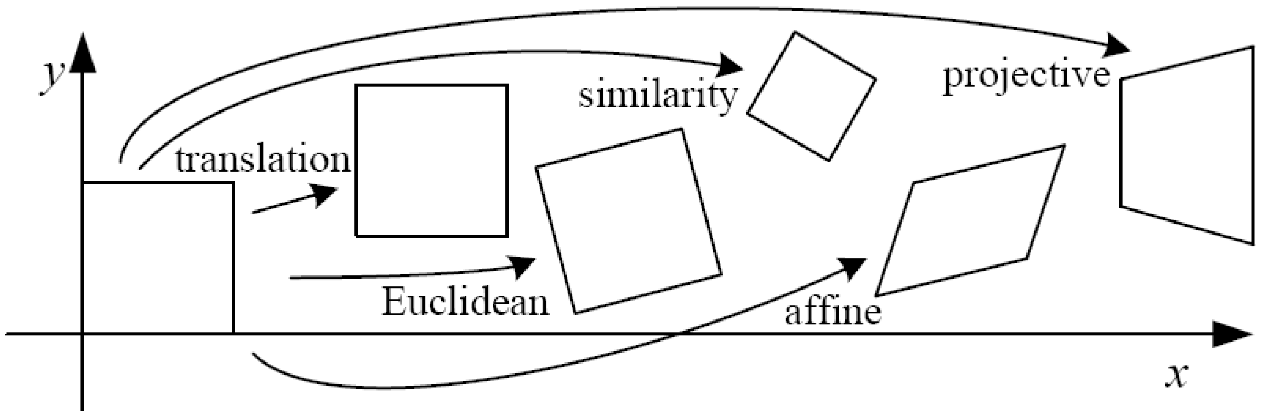


$\mathbf{p}^{ij} = (5,4)$

$\mathbf{p}^{uv} = (\mathbf{u}\cdot\mathbf{p}^{ij}, \mathbf{v}\cdot\mathbf{p}^{ij})$

$$\mathbf{p}^{uv} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_x \\ v_y & v_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}^{ij}$$

2D image transformations



Name	Matrix	# D.O.F.	Preserves:	Icon
translation	$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{I} \mid \boldsymbol{t} \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 3}$			
rigid (Euclidean)	$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{R} \mid \boldsymbol{t} \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 3}$			
similarity	$\begin{bmatrix} s\boldsymbol{R} \mid \boldsymbol{t} \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 3}$			
affine	$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{A} \end{bmatrix}_{2\times 3}$			
projective	$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\boldsymbol{H}} \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 3}$			

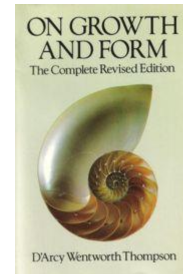
These transformations are a nested set of groups

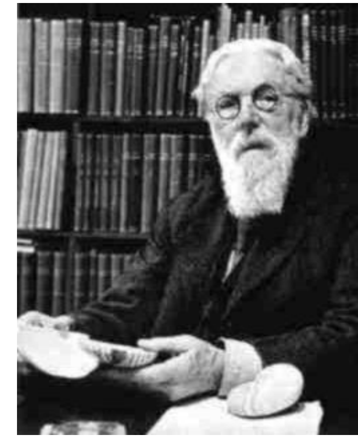
- Closed under composition and inverse is a member

Image Transforms in Biology

D'Arcy Thompson

- http://www-groups.dcs.st-and.ac.uk/~history/Miscellaneous/darcy.html
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/D'Arcy_Thompson





Importance of shape and structure in evolution

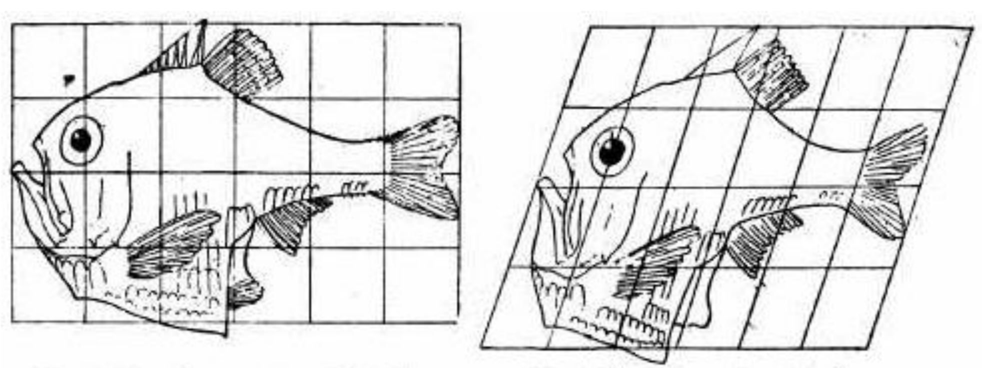
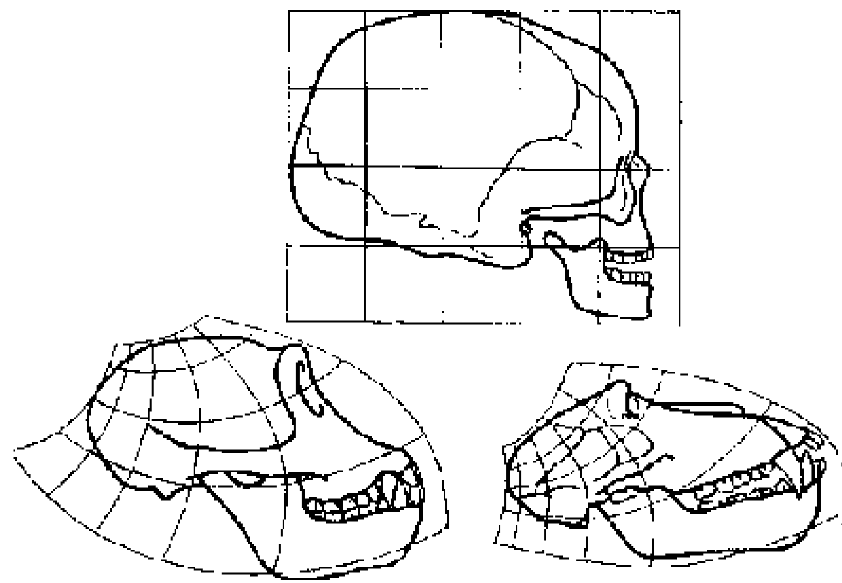


Fig. 517. *Argyropelecus Olfersi.*   Fig. 518. *Sternoptyx diaphana.*



Skulls of a human, a chimpanzee and a baboon and transformations between them

Slide by Durand and Freeman

Now the fun stuff

How do we go from this to this image??

Picture of Ayuna when she was a baby

Break

Now the fun stuff

How do we go from this to this image??

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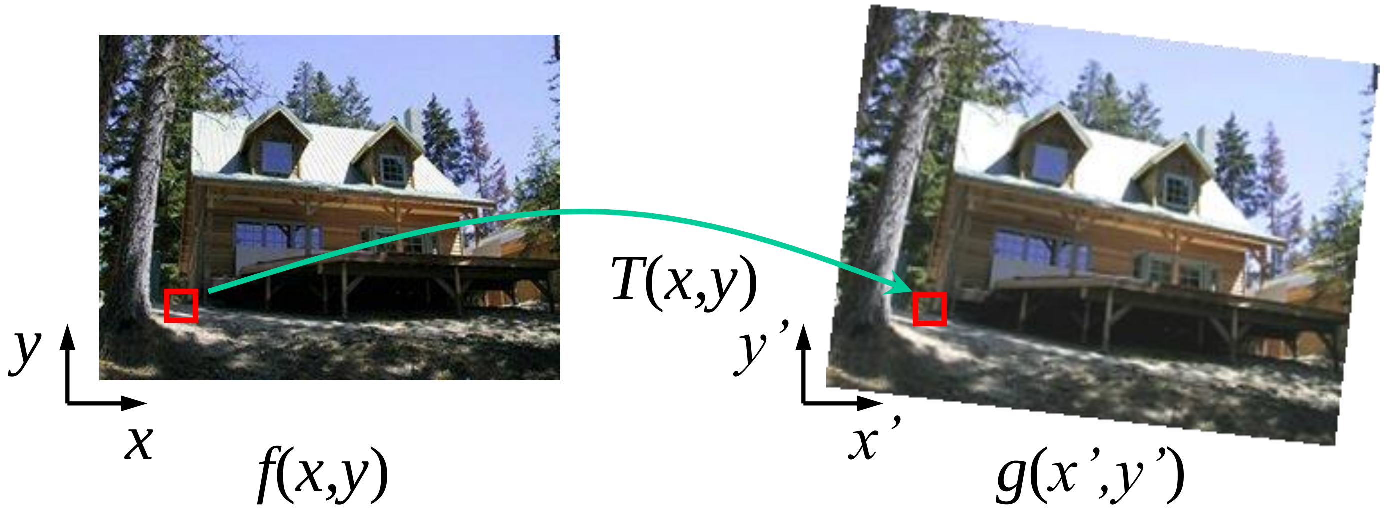
Crop +
enlarge

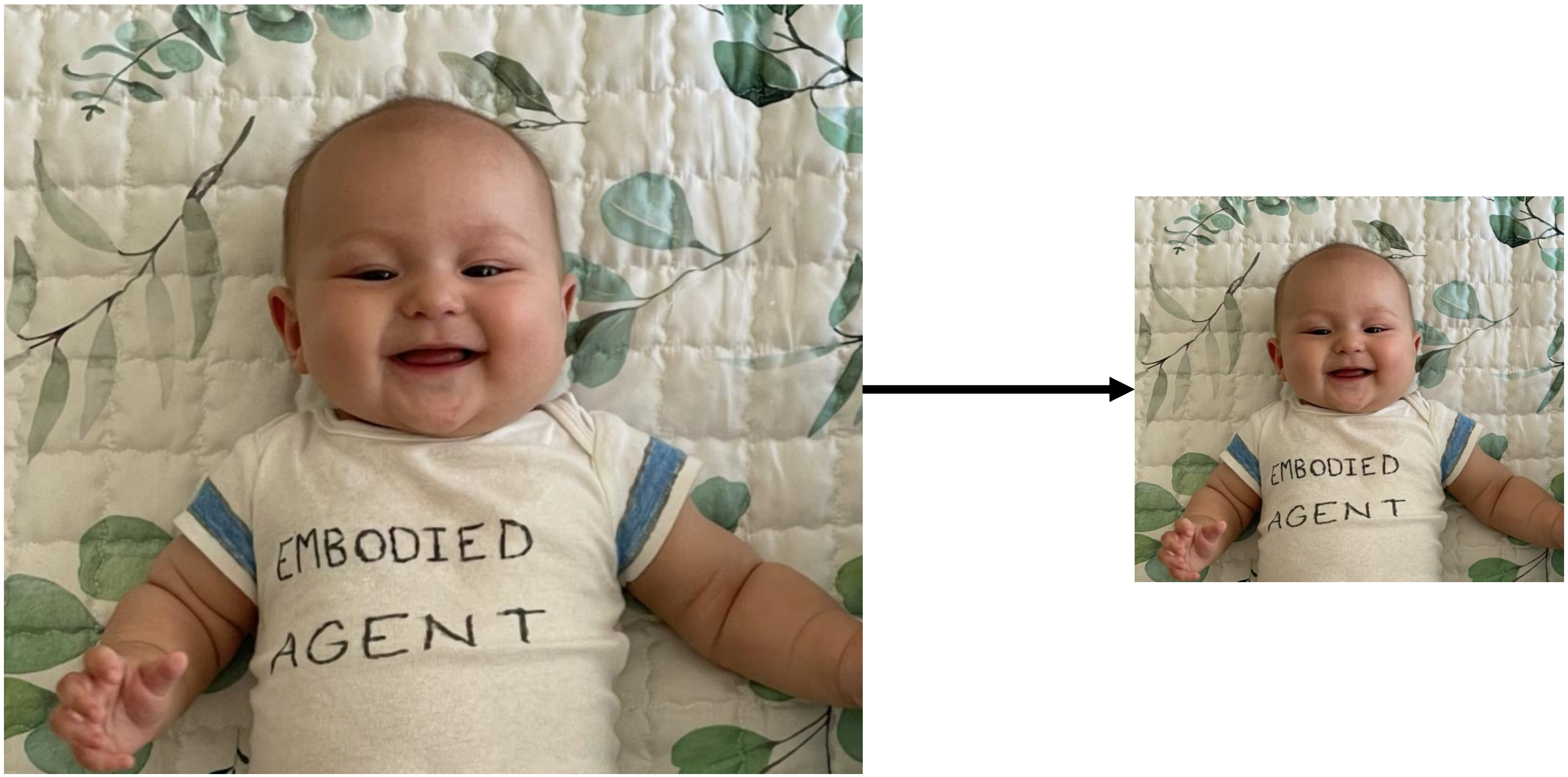
Warping Pixels



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

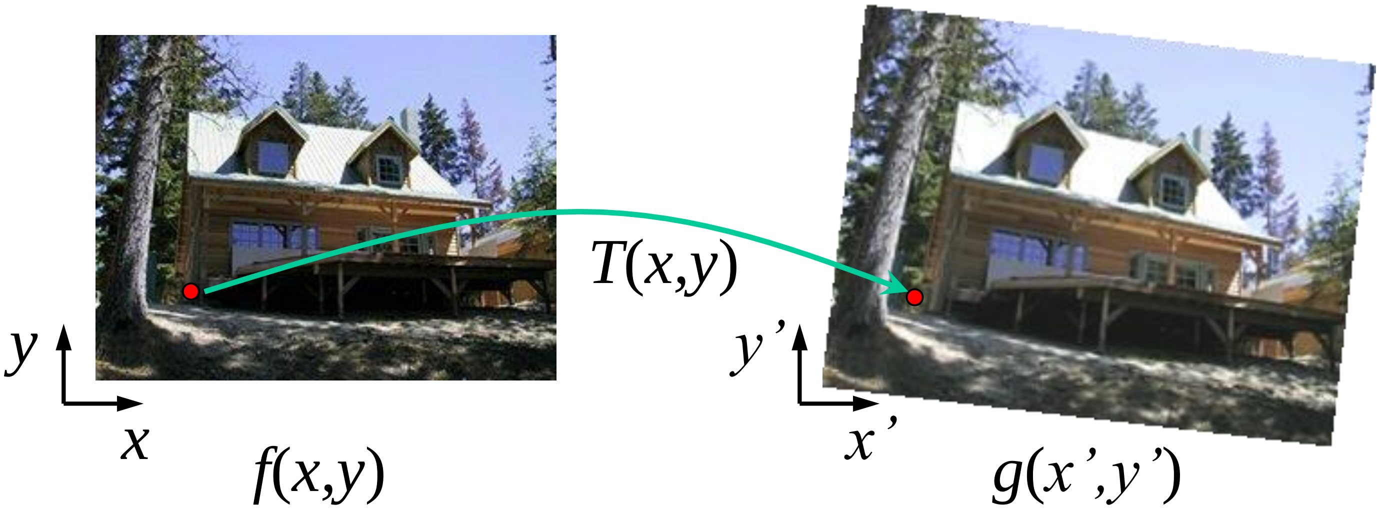
The Magic of imresize

So how to do it? Say the goal is to reduce the image size exactly by half



- Take every other pixel!
- This is like transforming every other pixel to a new location

Forward warping

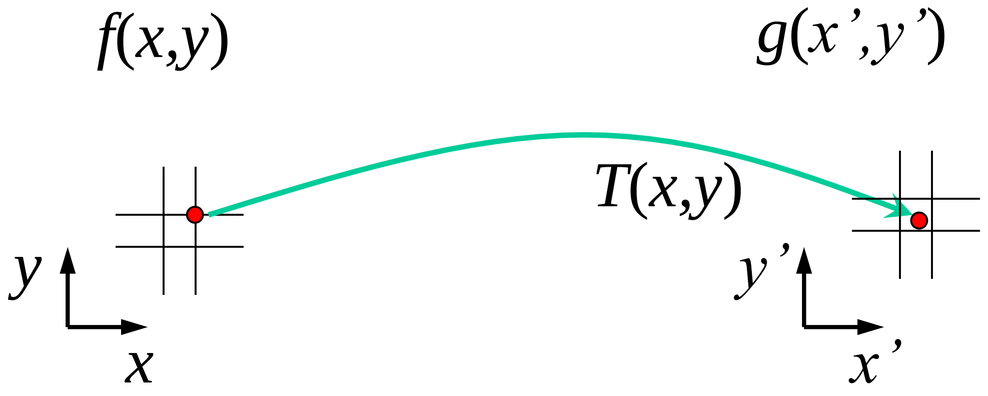


Send each pixel $f(x,y)$ to its corresponding location

$(x',y') = T(x,y)$ in the second image

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

Forward warping



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

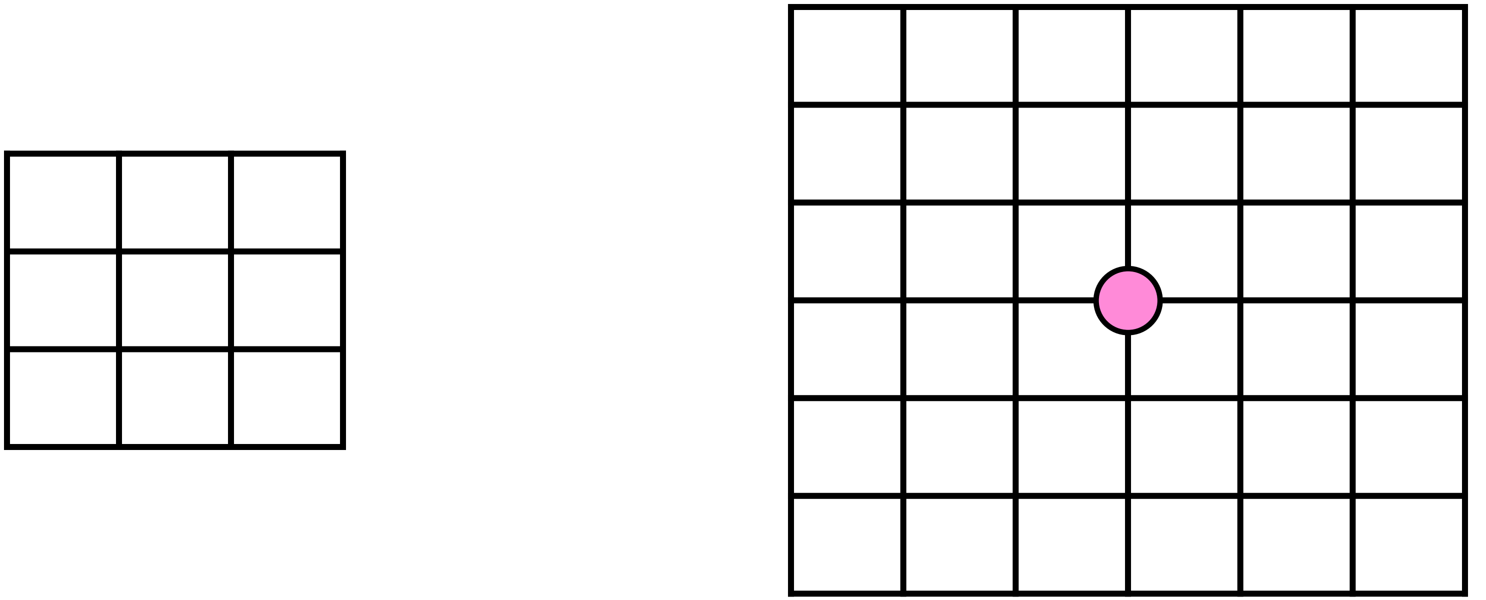
Q: what if pixel lands "between" two pixels?

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

- Known as "splatting" (Check out `griddata` in Matlab)
- Generally, a very bad idea. Why?

Can we do better?

What if we want to make the image bigger?



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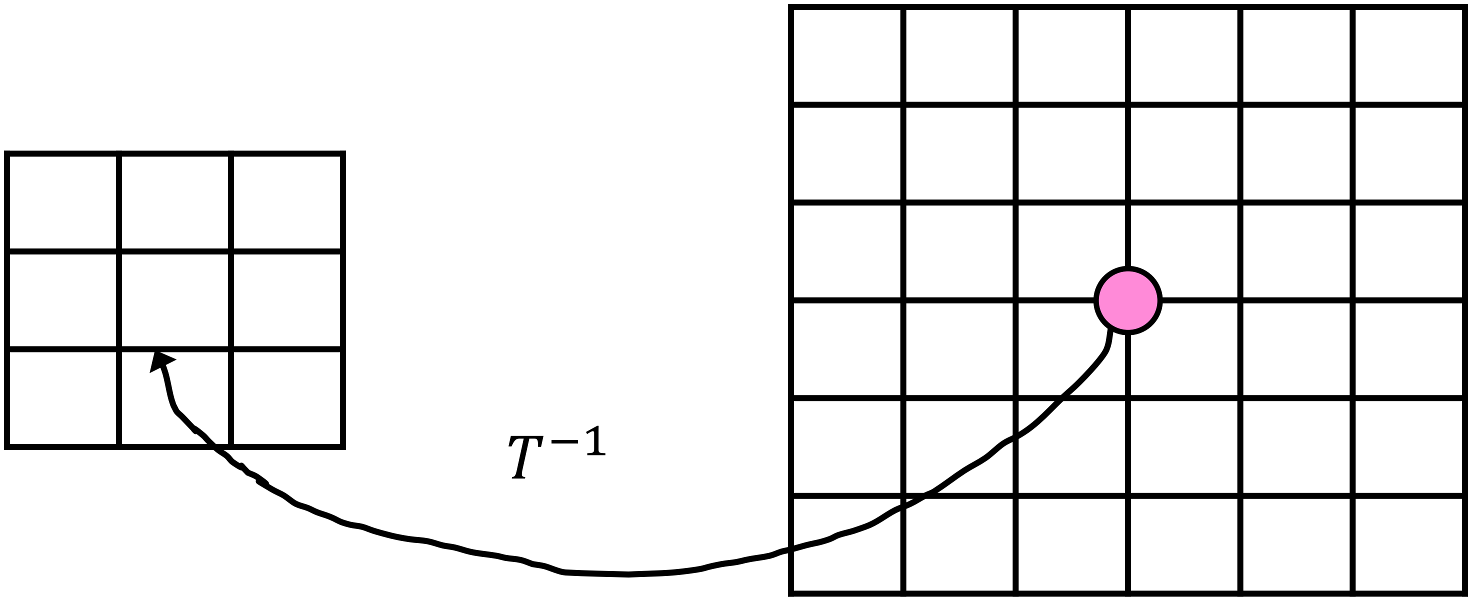
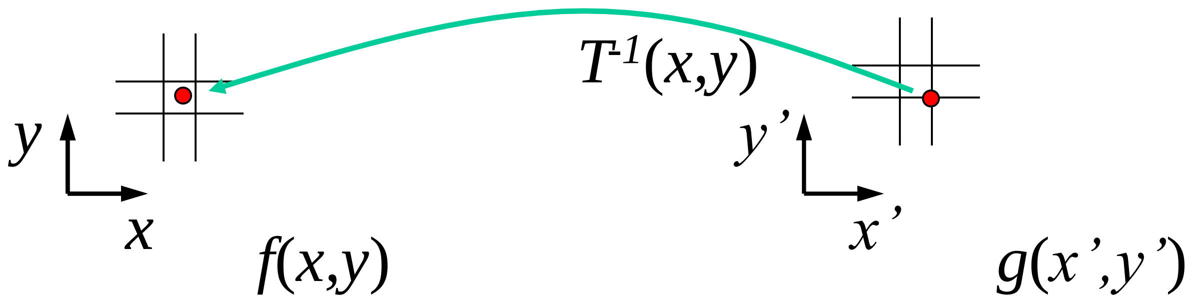


Go backwards!

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, Gaussian, bicubic
- Check out `interp2` in Matlab / Python

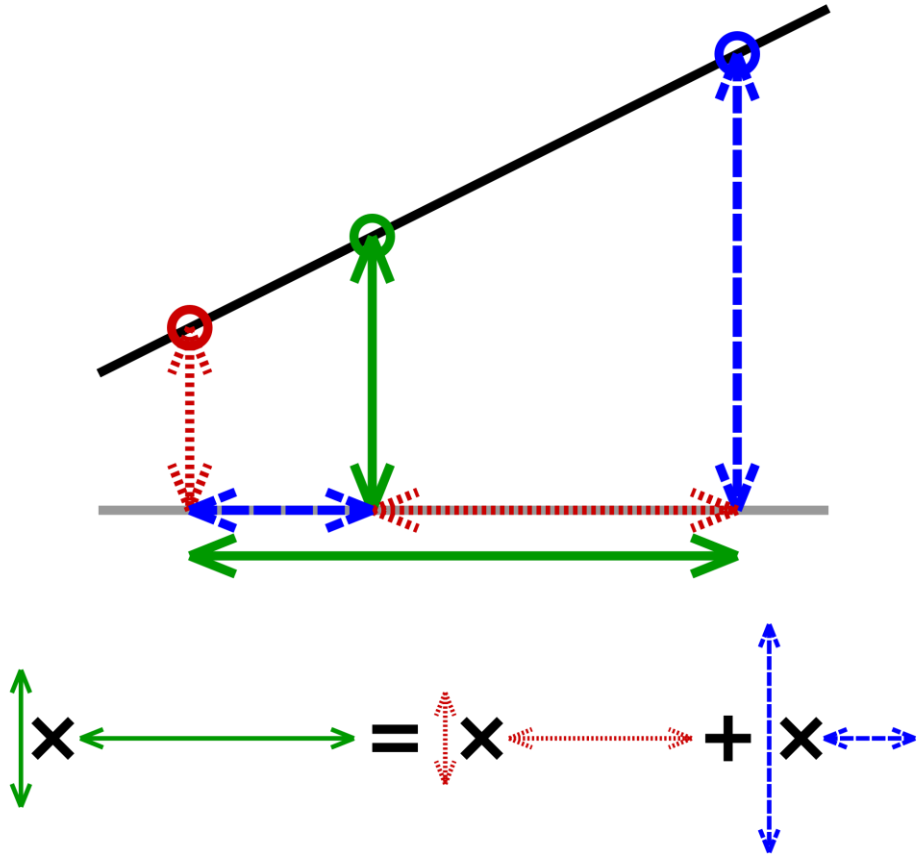
What do we need to watch out for??

Step 0 of any sampling:

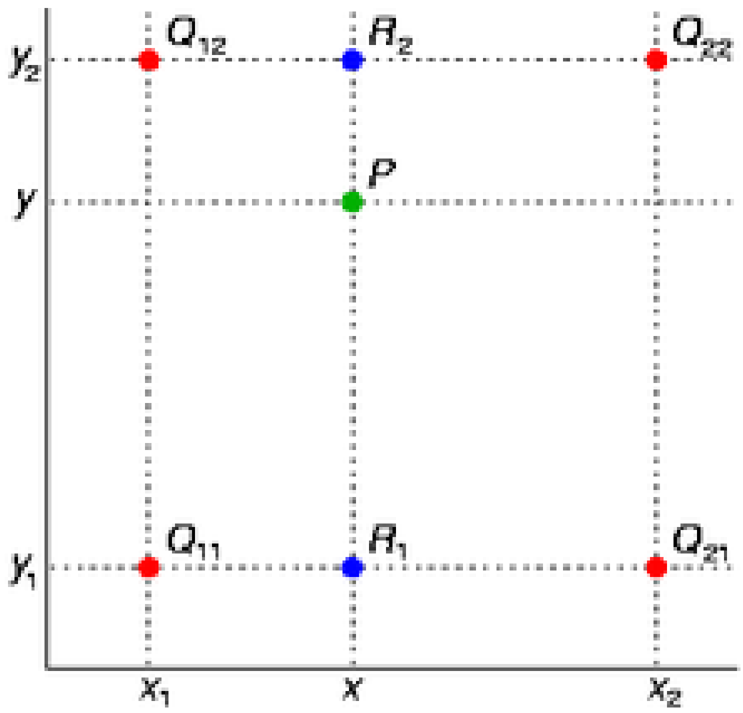
Aliasing!!

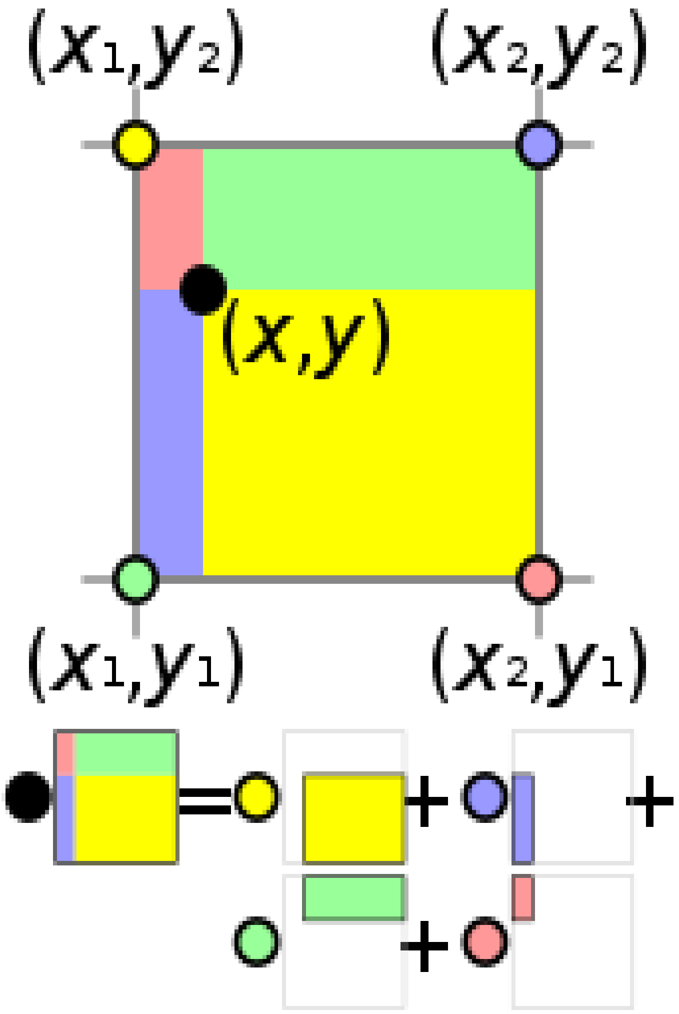
1. Gaussian filter
2. Find the inverse warping
3. Interpolate

Recall 1D interpolation:



Bilinear Interpolation





http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bilinear_interpolation

`Help interp2`

Bilinear Interpolation

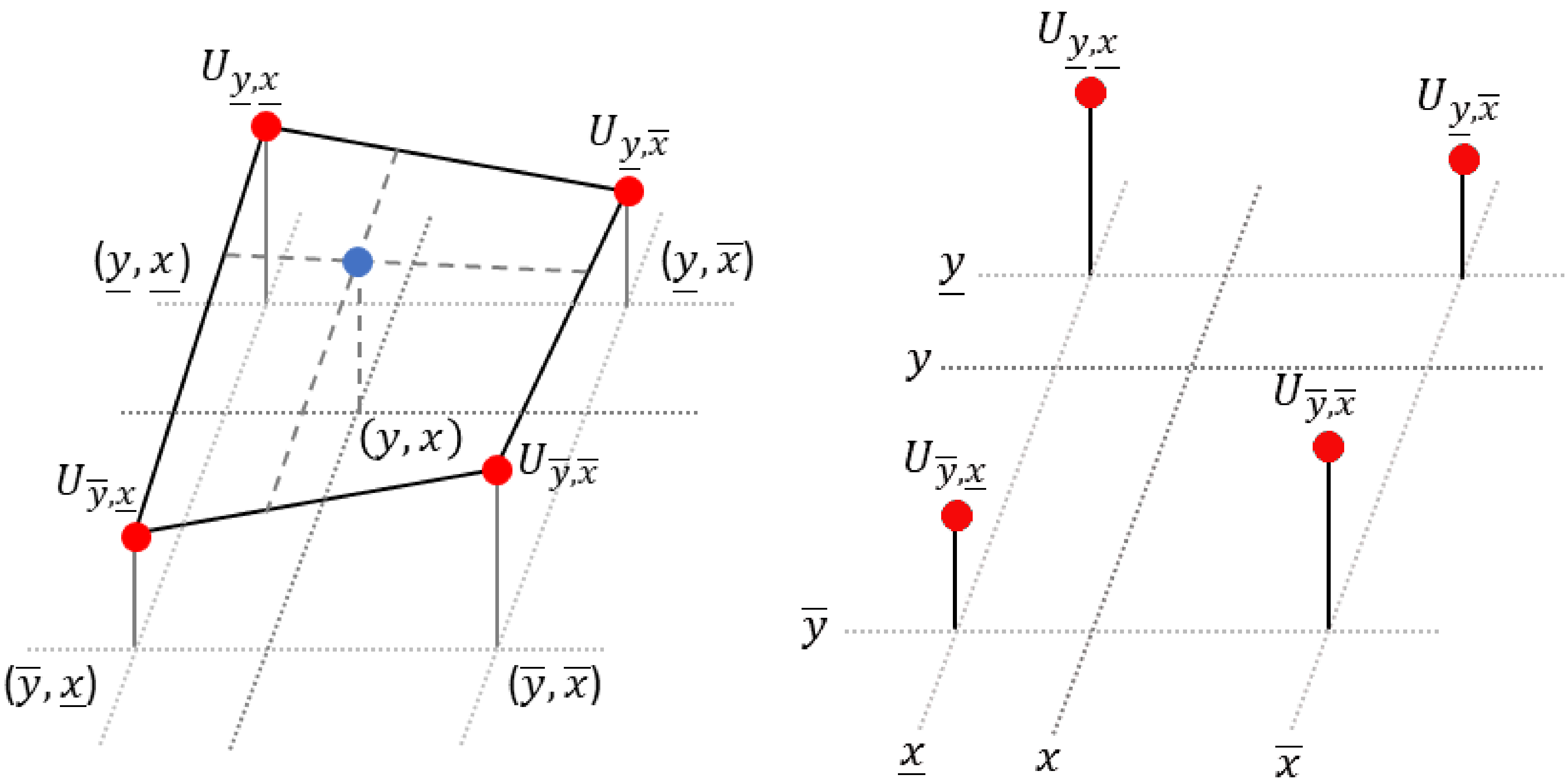
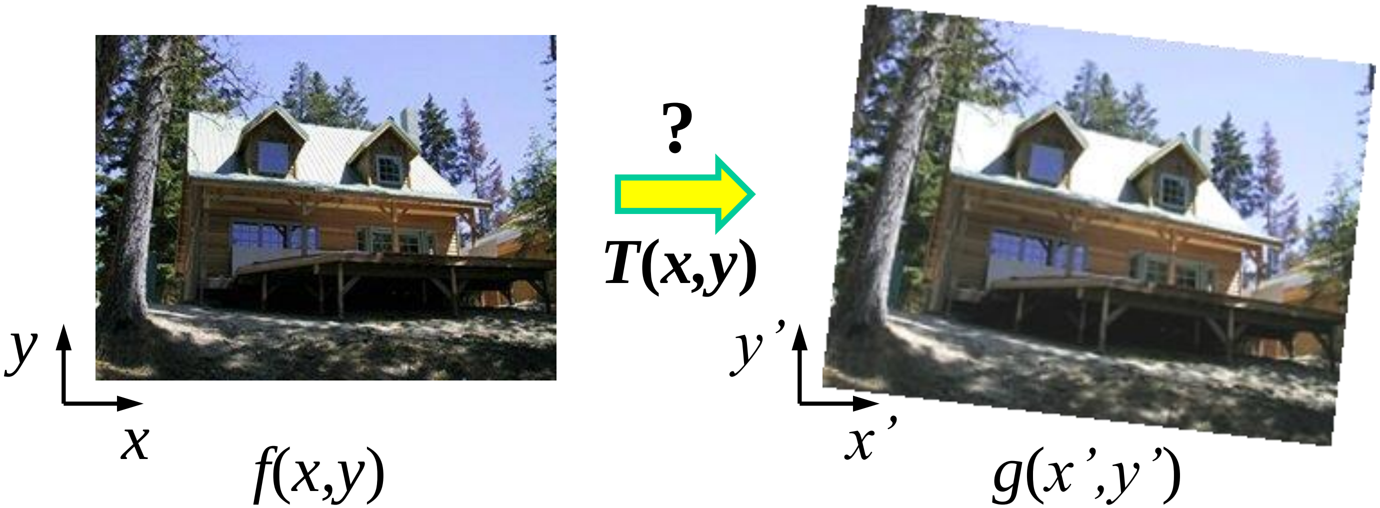


Figure credit: https://medium.com/data-science/spatial-transformer-networks-tutorial-part-2-bilinear-interpolation-371e1d5f164f

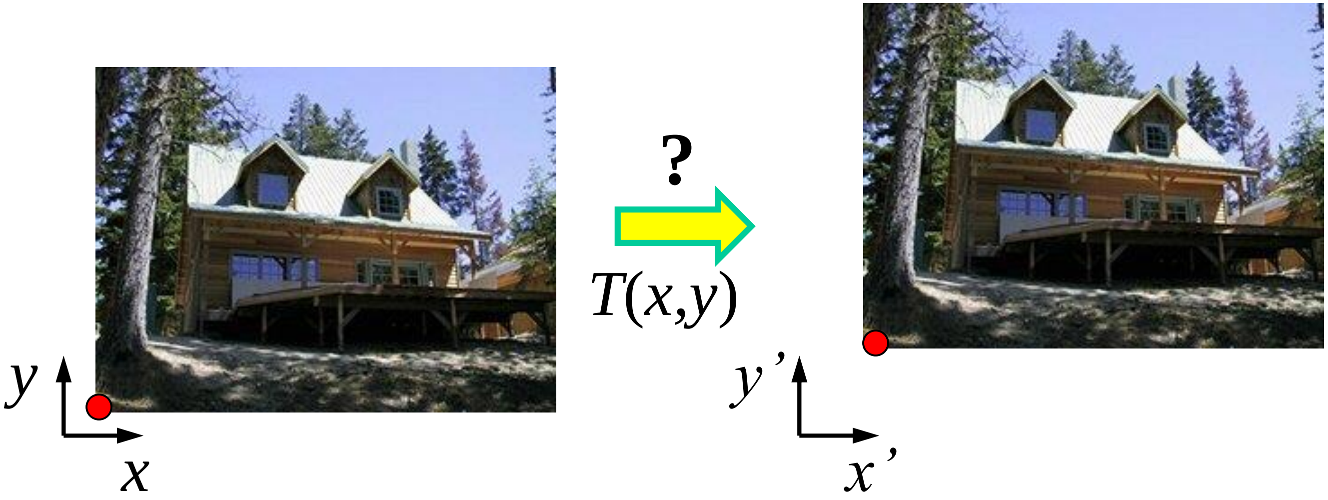
Recovering Transformations



What if we know *f* and *g* and want to recover the transform T?

- e.g. better align images from Project 1
- willing to let user provide correspondences
  - How many do we need?

Translation: # correspondences?



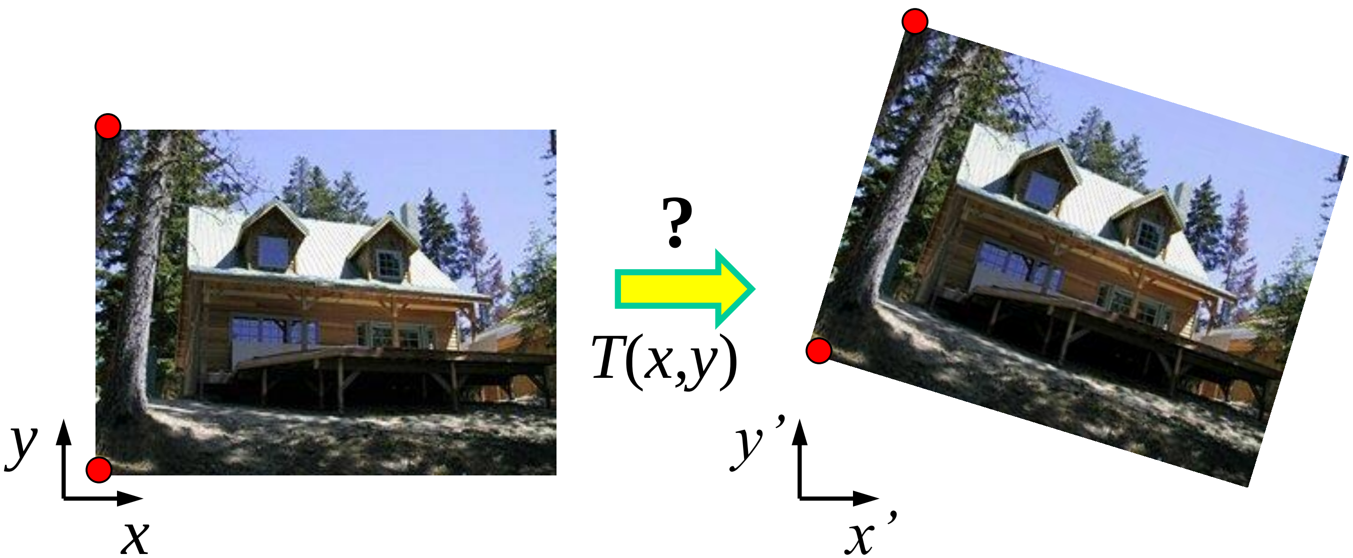
How many correspondences needed for translation?

How many Degrees of Freedom?

What is the transformation matrix?

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & p'_x - p_x \\ 0 & 1 & p'_y - p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

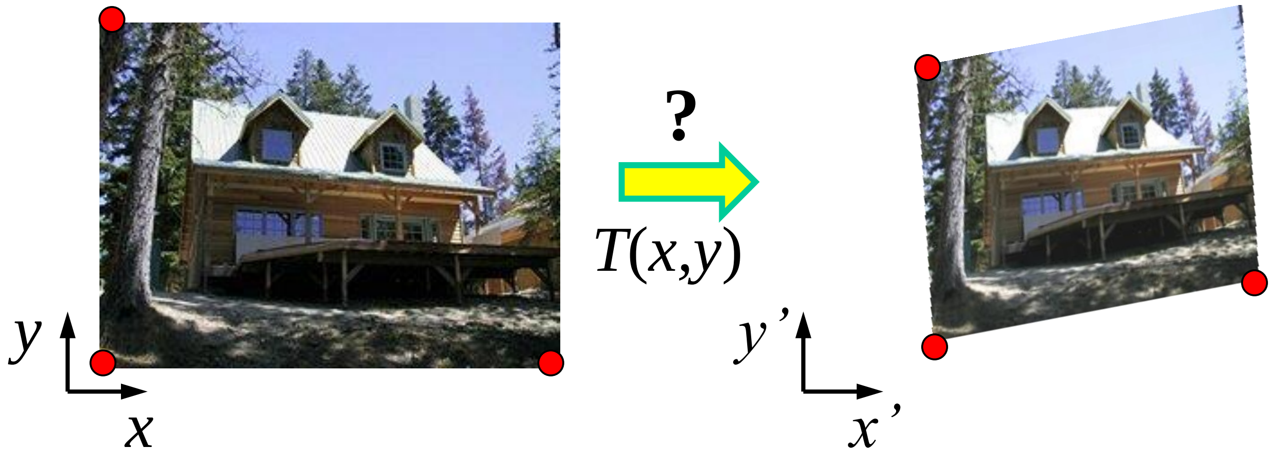
Euclidian: # correspondences?



How many correspondences needed for translation+rotation?

How many DOF?

Affine: # correspondences?

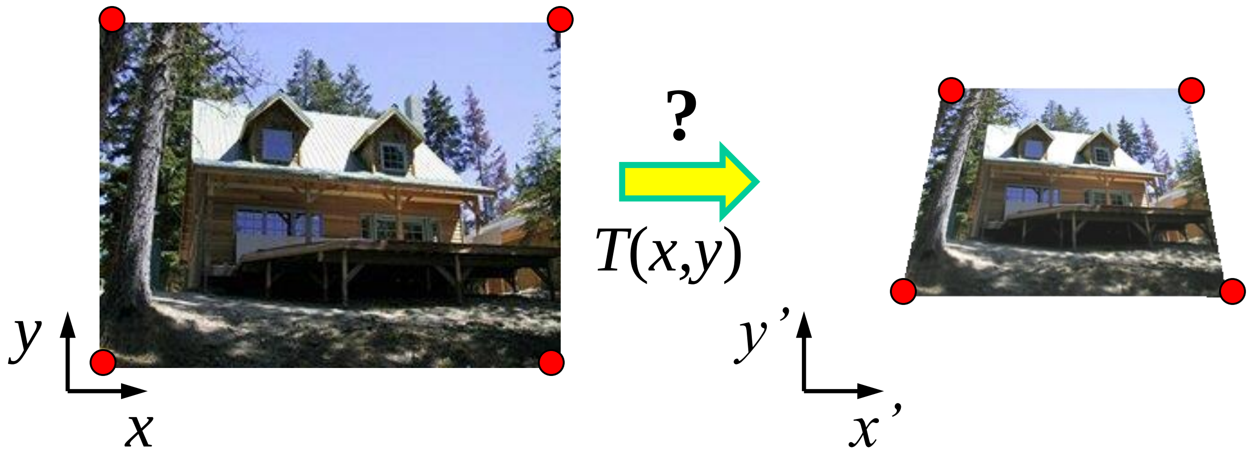


How many correspondences needed for affine?

How many DOF?

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

Projective: # correspondences?



How many correspondences needed for projective/homography?

How many DOF?

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

Next project: Panorama stitching

1. Compute the homography
2. Warp the image