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Determining Optical Flow : *Horn and Schunck Method*

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Introduction

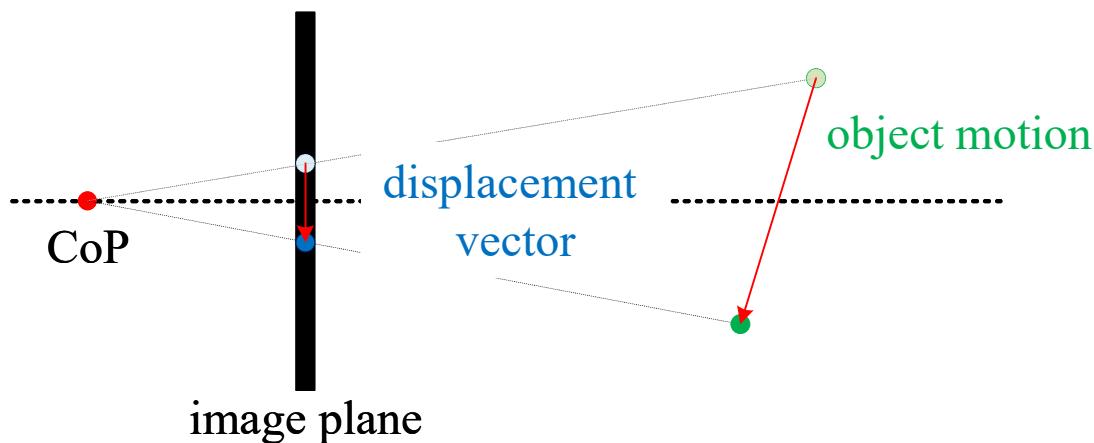
- About Motion
 - Finding the **motion of scene objects** from **time-varying images** is important in many applications.
 - object tracking
 - video compression
 - camera stabilization (jitter correction)
 - etc.





Introduction

- About Motion
 - The motion of an object generally results in a **displacement vector** in the image plane
 - The collection of these displacement vectors is referred to as **motion field**





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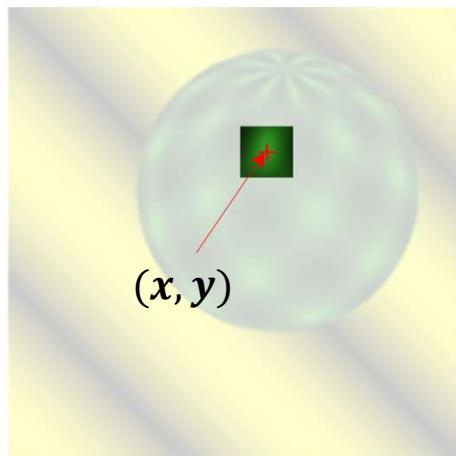
- About Motion
 - The methods for computing motion field can be generally divided into two classes.
 - Feature Tracking (sparse): track the extracted visual features (corners, texture patch) over time
 - Optical Flow (dense): use brightness variations in time-varying images.

Horn and Schunck method is in the class of optical flow

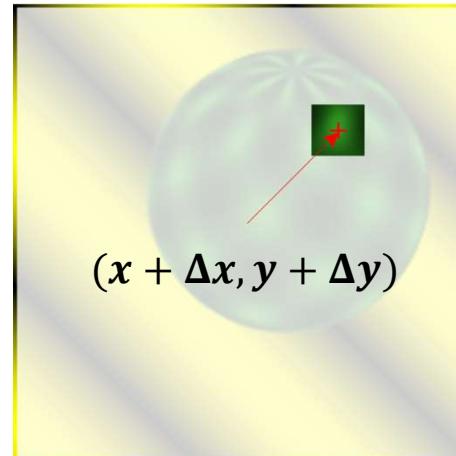


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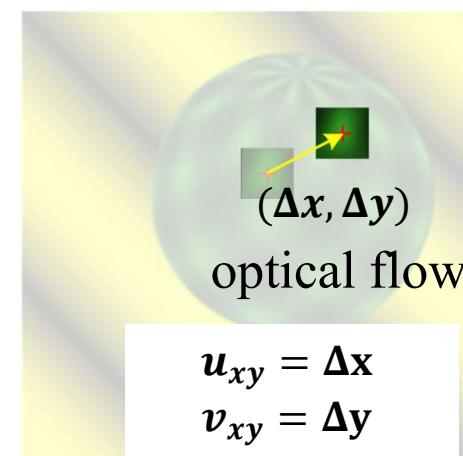
- About Optical Flow
 - Definition: the apparent motion of **brightness patterns** in the image.



$I(\cdot; t)$
image at time t



$I(\cdot; t + 1)$
image at time $t + 1$



$$\begin{aligned} u_{xy} &= \Delta x \\ v_{xy} &= \Delta y \end{aligned}$$



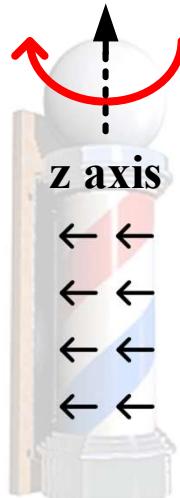


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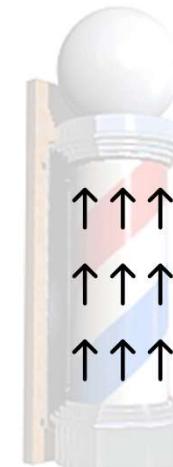
- About Optical Flow
 - Optical flow generally corresponds to the object motion field **but not always.**



Barber's Pole



Motion Field



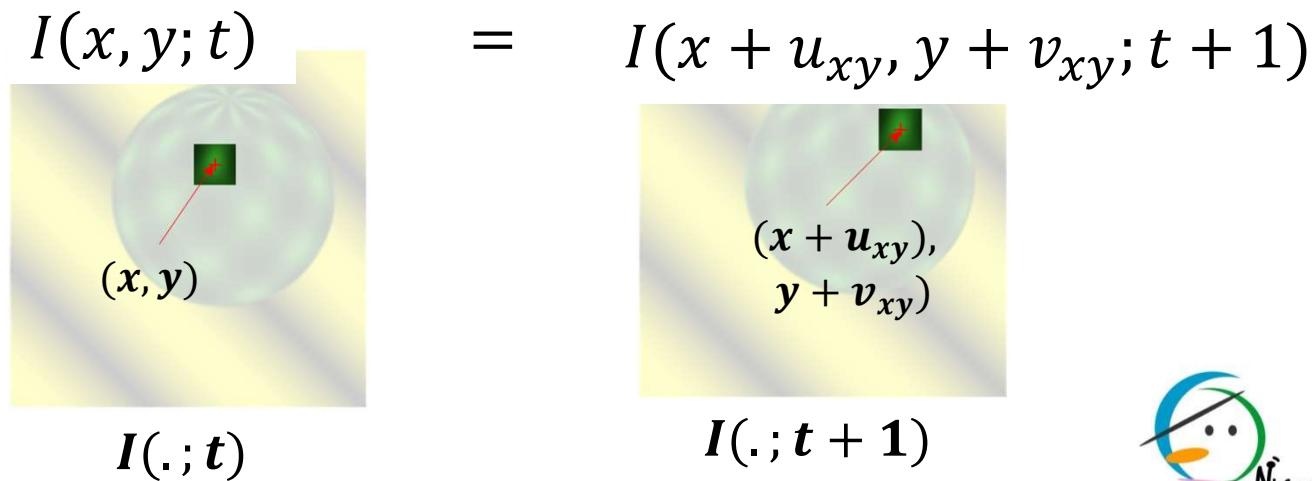
Optical Flow





Introduction

- About Optical Flow: Common Assumption
 - Simple World: motion of the object surface is directly related to the one of brightness pattern
 - Brightness Constancy: brightness patterns before/after movement remains the same.

$$I(x, y; t) = I(x + u_{xy}, y + v_{xy}; t + 1)$$


The diagram illustrates the optical flow assumptions. On the left, a green circular object with a red cross is at position (x, y) in frame $I(\cdot, t)$. On the right, the object has moved to position $(x + u_{xy}, y + v_{xy})$ in frame $I(\cdot, t + 1)$. A red arrow points from the original position to the new position, indicating the displacement vector.





Brightness Constraint

- Taylor Expansion
 - Let $f(x)$ be a continuous and n -order differential function.
 - $f(x)$ can be expressed as a series of power terms at any point $x = a$

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x - a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x - a)^2 + \dots$$

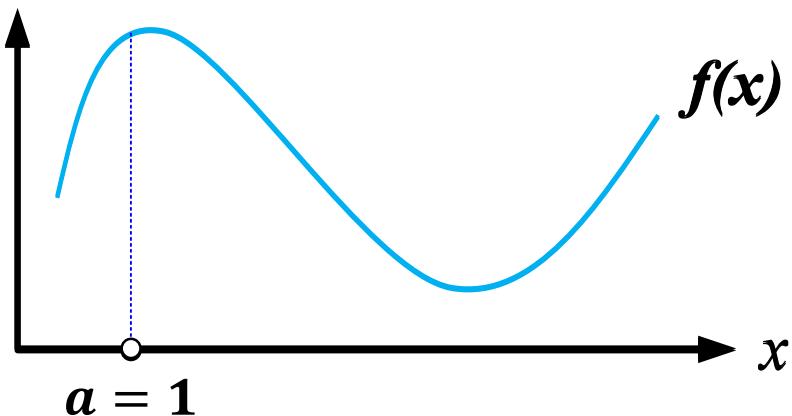
first differential second differential
 a chosen constant





Brightness Constraint

- Taylor Expansion



$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x - a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x - a)^2 + \dots$$

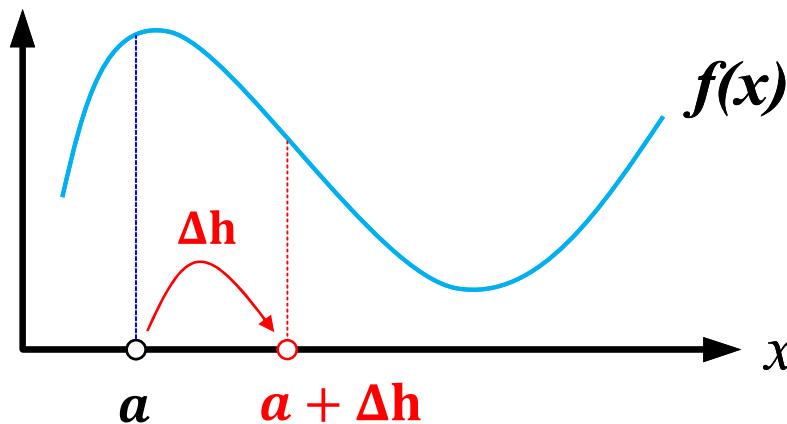
- Linear Approximation: constant and first differential terms

$$f(x) = f(\textcolor{green}{a}) + f'(\textcolor{green}{a}) \times (x - \textcolor{green}{a})$$



Brightness Constraint

- Taylor Expansion



$$f(x) = f(a) + f'(a) \times (x - a)$$



$$f(a + \Delta h) = f(a) + f'(a) \times (a + \Delta h - a)$$

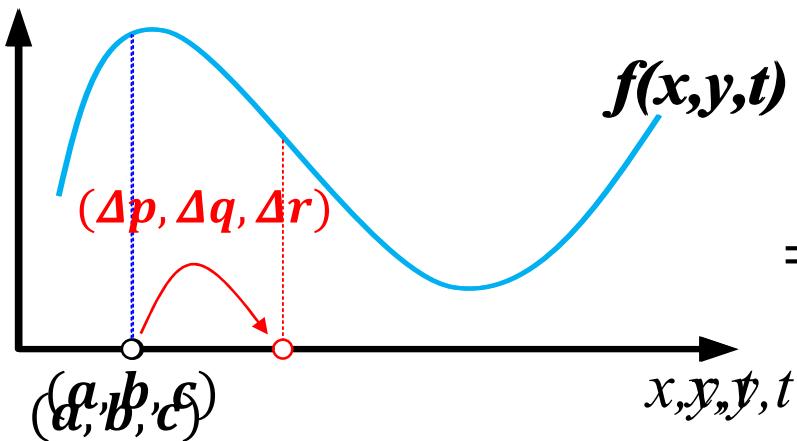
$$x \leftarrow a + \Delta h$$

$$= f(a) + f'(a) \times (\Delta h)$$



Brightness Constraint

- Taylor Expansion: Three Variables
 - extend the variable $x \Rightarrow (x, y, t)$

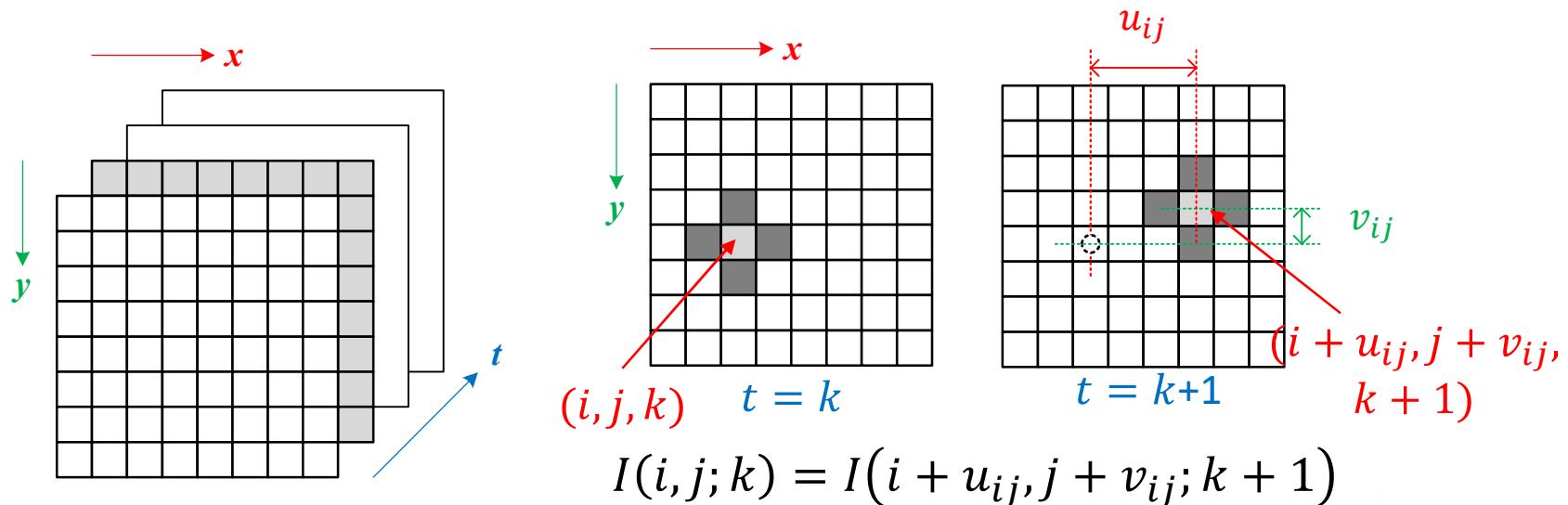


$$f(x) = \underline{f(a)} + \underline{f'(a)} \times \underline{(x - a)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x, y, t) &= f(a, b, c) + \frac{\partial f(a, b, c)}{\partial x} \times (x - a) \\
 &\quad + \frac{\partial f(a, b, c)}{\partial y} \times (y - b) \\
 &\quad + \frac{\partial f(a, b, c)}{\partial t} \times (t - c)
 \end{aligned}$$

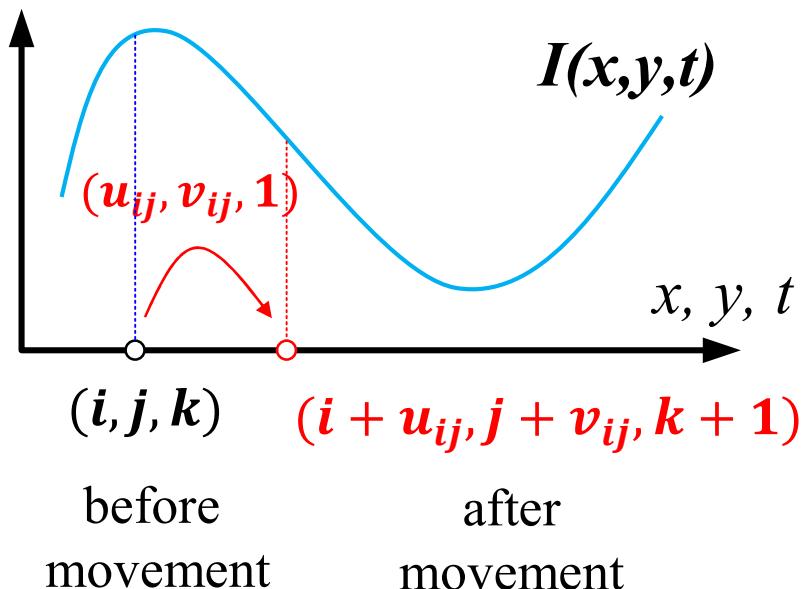
Brightness Constraint

- Formula Derivation
 - consider a sequence of time-varying images $I(x, y; t)$ as a function with **three** variables
 - let the optical flow of a point (i, j, k) be (u_{ij}, v_{ij}) .



Brightness Constraint

- Formula Derivation
 - approximate point value $I(i + u_{ij}, j + v_{ij}, k + 1)$ by Taylor expansion at (i, j, k)



$$\begin{aligned}
 & I(i + u_{ij}, j + v_{ij}, k + 1) \\
 &= I(i, j, k) + \frac{\partial I(i, j, k)}{\partial x} \times (u_{ij}) \equiv I_x \\
 &+ \frac{\partial I(i, j, k)}{\partial y} \times (v_{ij}) \equiv I_t \\
 &+ \frac{\partial I(i, j, k)}{\partial t} \times (1) \equiv I_y
 \end{aligned}$$



Brightness Constraint

- Formula Derivation
 - substitute $I(i + u_{ij}, j + v_{ij}; k + 1)$ from Taylor expansion in brightness constancy

$$\begin{aligned} I(i, j; k) &= \underline{I(i + u_{ij}, j + v_{ij}; k + 1)} \\ \rightarrow I(i, j; k) &= \cancel{I(i, j; k)} + I_x(i, j; k) \times (\cancel{\textcolor{red}{u_{ij}}}) \\ &\quad + I_y(i, j; k) \times (\cancel{\textcolor{red}{v_{ij}}}) + I_t(i, j; k) \\ \rightarrow 0 &= \textcolor{pink}{I_x(i, j; k) \times (\textcolor{red}{u_{ij}})} + \textcolor{pink}{I_y(i, j; k) \times (\textcolor{red}{v_{ij}})} + \textcolor{pink}{I_t(i, j; k)} \end{aligned}$$

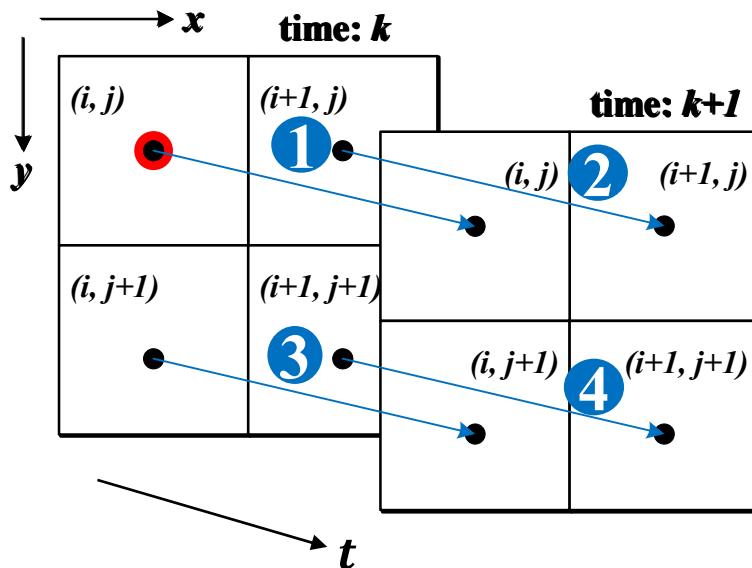
$$\begin{aligned} I(i + u_{ij}, j + v_{ij}; k + 1) &= I(i, j; k) + I_x(i, j; k) \times (\textcolor{red}{u_{ij}}) \\ &\quad + I_y(i, j; k) \times (\textcolor{red}{v_{ij}}) + I_t(i, j; k) \end{aligned}$$



Brightness Constraint

- Formula Derivation

$$I_x(i, j; k) \times (\mathbf{u}_{ij}) + I_y(i, j; k) \times (\mathbf{v}_{ij}) + I_t(i, j; k) = 0$$

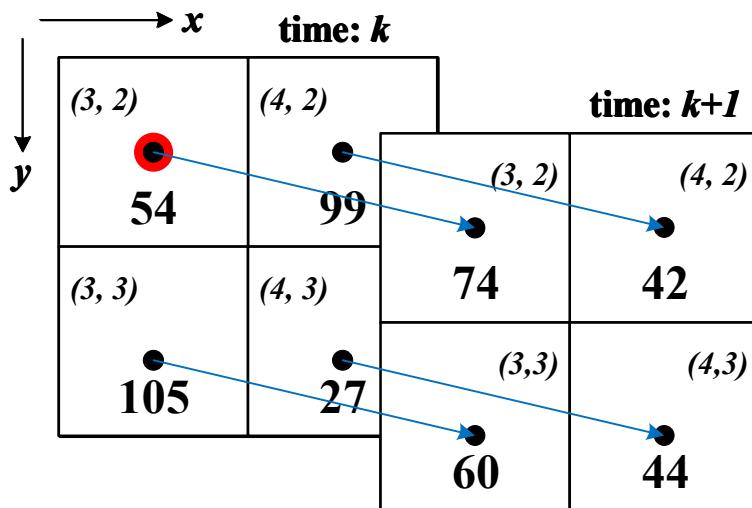


$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{tx}(i, j, k) = & \frac{1}{4} \left(\right. \\
 & \left. \left(I((i, j+1, k), i, j, k) - I((i, j, k+1), i, j, k) \right) \right) \\
 & + \left(\left(I((i+1, j, k), i+1, j, k) + I((i, j+1, k), i, j+1, k) \right) \right. \\
 & \left. - \left(I((i, j+1, k+1), i, j+1, k+1) - I((i, j, k+1), i, j, k+1) \right) \right) \\
 & + \left(\left(I((i+1, j+1, k, k+1), i+1, j+1, k, k+1) \right) \right. \\
 & \left. - \left(I((i+1, j+1, k+1), i+1, j+1, k+1) - I((i+1, j, k+1), i+1, j, k+1) \right) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Brightness Constraint

- Formula Derivation

$$I_x(3,2,5) \times (u_{3,2}) + I_y(8,2,5) \times (v_{3,2}) + I_t(13,2,5) = 0$$



$$I_x(3, 2, k) = \frac{1}{4} \times 20.25 \left((99 - 54) + (27 - 105) + (42 - 74) + (44 - 60) \right)$$

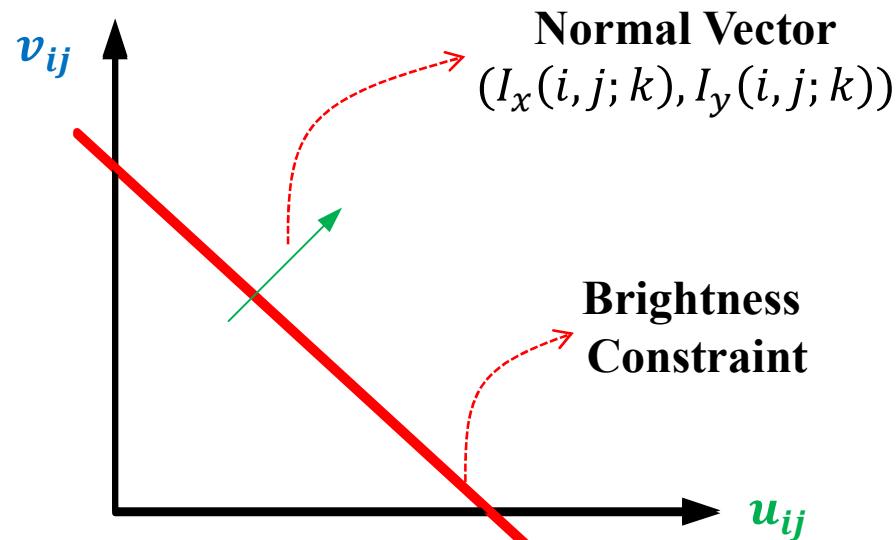
$$I_y(3, 2, k) = -8.25 \left((105 - 54) + (27 - 99) + (60 - 74) + (44 - 42) \right)$$

$$I_t(3, 2, k) \equiv \frac{1}{4} \times 16.25 \left((74 - 54) + (42 - 99) + (60 - 105) + (44 - 27) \right)$$

Brightness Constraint

- Formula Derivation

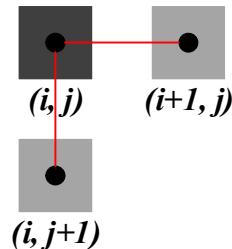
$$I_x(i, j; k) \times (\mathbf{u}_{ij}) + I_y(i, j; k) \times (\mathbf{v}_{ij}) + I_t(i, j; k) = 0$$



additional constraint is necessary
for determining optical flow of each point

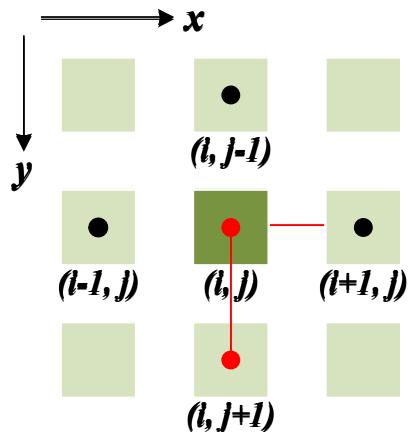
Horn-Schunck Method

- Smoothness Constraint
 - Assumption: objects in the scene commonly undergo rigid motion or deformation
 - Property: neighboring points have similar optical flows (smoothness)
 - Definition: optical flow of the point (i, j) is the same as ones at the points $(i + 1, j)$ and $(i, j + 1)$



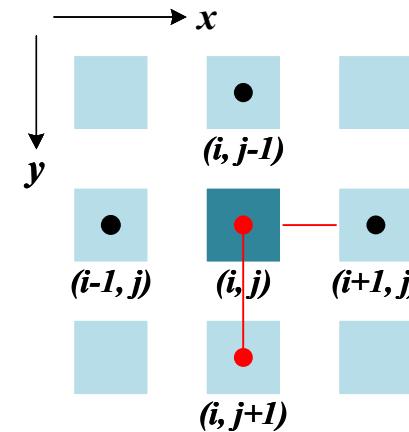
Horn-Schunck Method

- Smoothness Constraint



\mathbf{u} component

$$\frac{1}{4} ((\mathbf{u}_{ij} - \mathbf{u}_{i+1,j})^2 + (\mathbf{u}_{ij} - \mathbf{u}_{i,j+1})^2)$$



\mathbf{v} component

$$+ (\mathbf{v}_{ij} - \mathbf{v}_{i+1,j})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{ij} - \mathbf{v}_{i,j+1})^2) = 0$$



Horn-Schunck Method

- Optimization Formulation
 - Given: two images $I(., t)$ and $I(., t + 1)$
 - Goal: estimate **dense** optical flow (u_{ij}, v_{ij}) of all points (i, j)
 - Conditions: meet the constraints for all (i, j)

Brightness: $I_x(i, j; k) \times \mathbf{u}_{ij} + I_y(i, j; k) \times \mathbf{v}_{ij} + I_t(i, j; k) = 0$

Smoothness: $\frac{1}{4} \left(\begin{array}{l} (\mathbf{u}_{ij} - \mathbf{u}_{i+1,j})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{ij} - \mathbf{v}_{i+1,j})^2 \\ (\mathbf{u}_{ij} - \mathbf{u}_{i,j+1})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{ij} - \mathbf{v}_{i,j+1})^2 \end{array} \right) = 0$



Horn-Schunck Method

- Optimization Formulation
 - Objective Function: sum of brightness error $E_b(\cdot)$ and smoothness error $E_s(\cdot)$.

$$E(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \overbrace{\lambda E_b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) + E_s(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})}^{\text{weight parameter}}$$

$$E_b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \sum_{(i,j)} \left(I_x(i, j; k) \mathbf{u}_{ij} + I_y(i, j; k) \mathbf{v}_{ij} + I_t(i, j; k) \right)^2$$

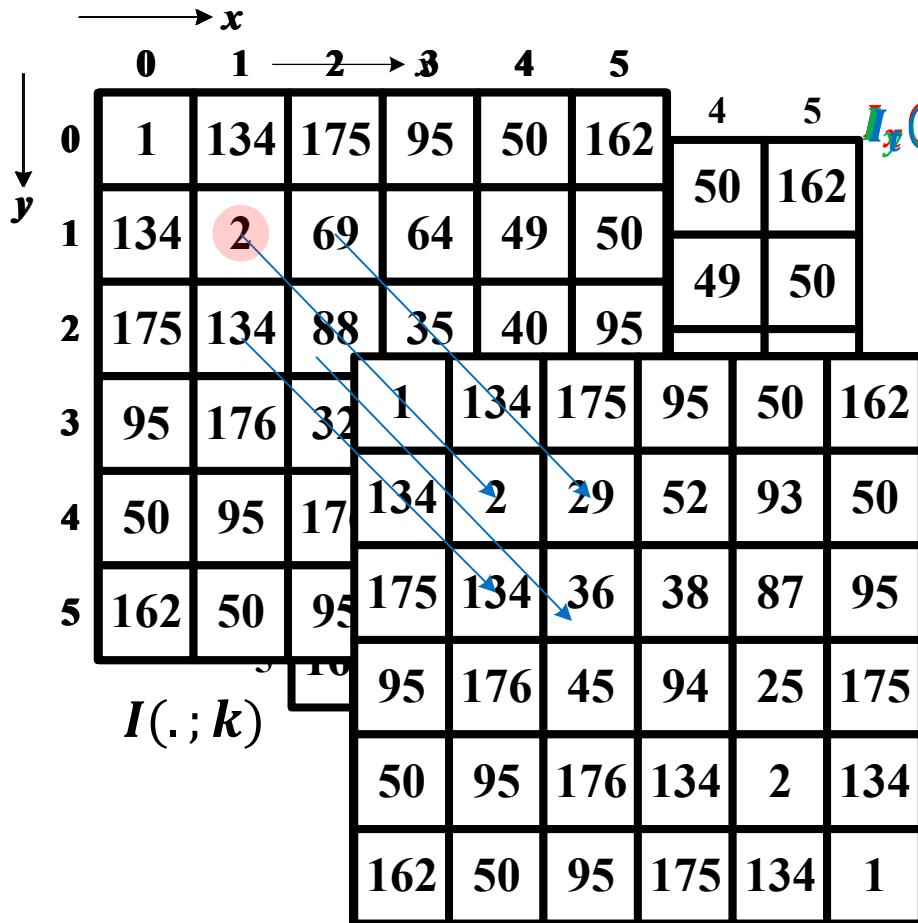
departure from *brightness* constraint

$$E_s(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \sum_{(i,j)} \frac{1}{4} \left(\begin{array}{l} (\mathbf{u}_{ij} - \mathbf{u}_{i+1,j})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{ij} - \mathbf{v}_{i+1,j})^2 \\ (\mathbf{u}_{ij} - \mathbf{u}_{i,j+1})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{ij} - \mathbf{v}_{i,j+1})^2 \end{array} \right)$$

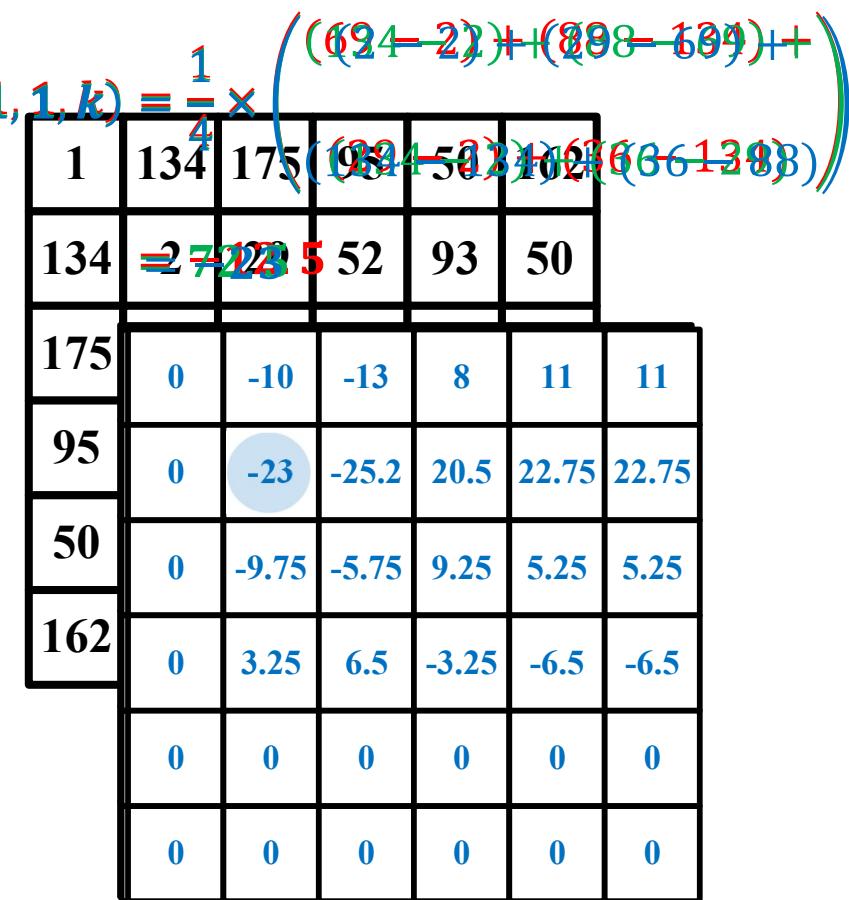
departure from *smoothness* constraint



Horn-Schunck Method



$I(., k + 1)$



| | x | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|-----|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| y | 0 | u_{00} | u_{10} | u_{20} | u_{30} | u_{40} | u_{50} |
| 1 | u_{01} | u_{11} | u_{21} | u_{31} | u_{41} | u_{51} | |
| 2 | u_{02} | u_{12} | u_{22} | u_{32} | u_{42} | u_{52} | |
| 3 | u_{03} | u_{13} | u_{23} | u_{33} | u_{43} | u_{53} | |
| 4 | u_{04} | u_{14} | u_{24} | u_{34} | u_{44} | u_{54} | |
| 5 | u_{05} | u_{15} | u_{25} | u_{35} | u_{45} | u_{55} | |

| | x | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|-----|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| y | 0 | v_{00} | v_{10} | v_{20} | v_{30} | v_{40} | v_{50} |
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| | | | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0.5 | 44.0 | -35.5 | -16 | 45.5 | 0 |
| -86.5 | -12.5 | -8.25 | 20 | 5.25 | -5.25 |
| 20 | -104 | 11.75 | -11.2 | 84.25 | -84.2 |
| 63 | -28.2 | 3.5 | -90.7 | 134.5 | -134 |
| -33.5 | 63 | 19 | -86.5 | -0.5 | 0.5 |
| -33.5 | 63 | 19 | -86.5 | -0.5 | 0.5 |

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0.5 | -129 | -81.5 | -8 | -45.5 | -45.5 |
| 86.5 | 72.5 | -4.25 | -14.5 | 18.25 | 18.25 |
| -19 | 9.25 | 13.73 | 12.75 | 27.25 | 27.25 |
| -63 | 28.25 | 92 | 5.25 | -38.5 | -38.5 |
| 33.5 | -63 | -20 | 86.5 | -0.5 | -0.5 |
| -33.5 | 63 | 20 | -86.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 |

| | | | | | |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0 | -10 | -13 | 8 | 11 | 11 |
| 0 | -23 | -25.2 | 20.5 | 22.75 | 22.75 |
| 0 | -9.75 | -5.75 | 9.25 | 5.25 | 5.25 |
| 0 | 3.25 | 6.5 | -3.25 | -6.5 | -6.5 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

$$E(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \lambda E_b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) + E_s(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$$

$$E_b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \sum_{(i,j)} \left(I_x(i,j; t) \mathbf{u}_{ij} + I_y(i,j; t) \mathbf{v}_{ij} + I_t(i,j; t) \right)^2$$

$$= (0.5u_{00} + 0.5v_{00} + 0)^2$$

$$+ (44u_{10} - 129v_{10} - 10)^2$$

$$+ \dots$$

$$+ (0.5u_{55} + 0.5v_{55} + 0)^2$$

| | x | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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$$E_s(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \sum_{(i,j)} \frac{1}{4} \left((\mathbf{u}_{ij} - \mathbf{u}_{i+1,j})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{ij} - \mathbf{v}_{i+1,j})^2 \right) \\ (\mathbf{u}_{ij} - \mathbf{u}_{i,j+1})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{ij} - \mathbf{v}_{i,j+1})^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left((\mathbf{u}_{00} - \mathbf{u}_{10})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{00} - \mathbf{v}_{10})^2 \right) \\ + \frac{1}{4} \left((\mathbf{u}_{10} - \mathbf{u}_{20})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{10} - \mathbf{v}_{20})^2 \right) \\ + \frac{1}{4} \left((\mathbf{u}_{01} - \mathbf{u}_{11})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{01} - \mathbf{v}_{11})^2 \right)$$

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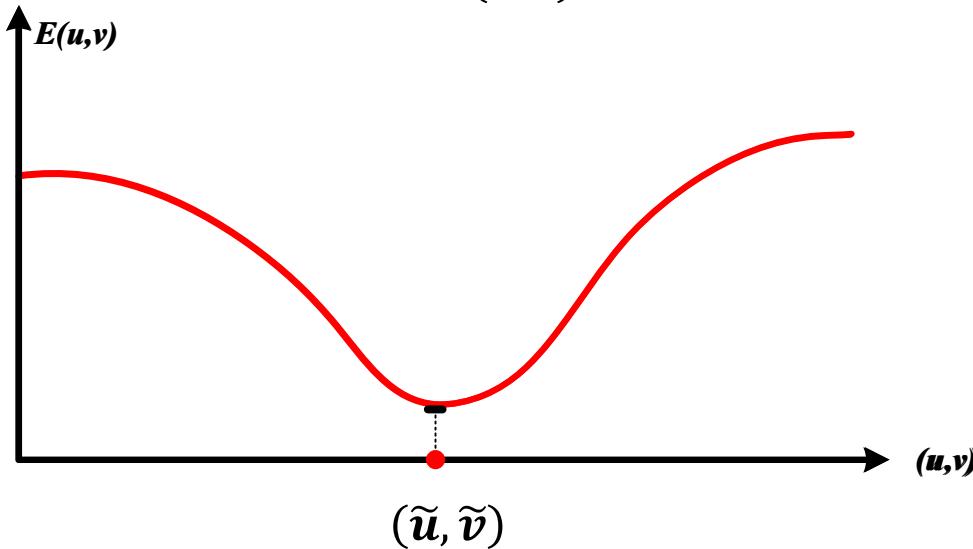
$$+ \frac{1}{4} \left((\mathbf{u}_{44} - \mathbf{u}_{54})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{44} - \mathbf{v}_{54})^2 \right) \\ + \frac{1}{4} \left((\mathbf{u}_{44} - \mathbf{u}_{45})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{44} - \mathbf{v}_{45})^2 \right)$$



Horn-Schunck Method

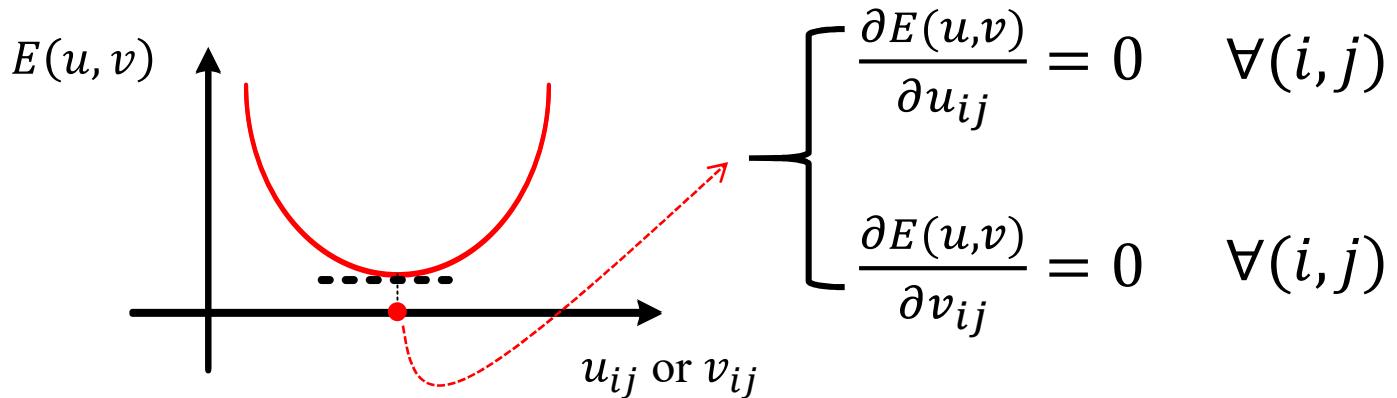
- Optimization Formulation
 - Goal: find the optimal (\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) in the (u, v) parameter space that minimizes $E(u, v)$.

$$(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) = \arg \min_{(u, v)} E(u, v)$$



Horn-Schunck Method

- Iterative Optimization
 - $E(u, v)$ is a **quadratic** function w.r.t. any u_{ij} or v_{ij}
 - The extrema of $E(u, v)$ is at the derivatives equal to zero w.r.t. any u_{ij} or v_{ij}



Horn-Schunck Method

- Iterative Optimization

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial E(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})}{\partial u_{rs}} = & \lambda * \sum_{(i,j)} \left(\sum_{(i,j)} \left(I_x(k_x(i,j;t) \mathbf{u}_{ij} + I_y(k_y(i,j;t) \mathbf{v}_{ij}) \mathbf{h}_s(t, j, k_y(j;t)) \right)^2 \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial u_{rs}} \sum_{(i,j)} \frac{1}{4} \left(\left((\mathbf{u}_{ij+1,j} - \mathbf{u}_{ij+1,j})^2 \right) \mathbf{v}_{ij} + \left((\mathbf{v}_{ij+1,j} - \mathbf{v}_{ij+1,j})^2 \right) \mathbf{u}_{ij} \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. + \left((\mathbf{u}_{ij,j+1} - \mathbf{u}_{ij,j+1})^2 \right) \mathbf{v}_{ij} + \left((\mathbf{v}_{ij,j+1} - \mathbf{v}_{ij,j+1})^2 \right) \mathbf{u}_{ij} \right) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{rs}} \left(I_x(0,0;t) \mathbf{u}_{00} + I_y(0,0;t) \mathbf{v}_{00} + I_t(0,0;t) \right)^2 + \dots = 0$$

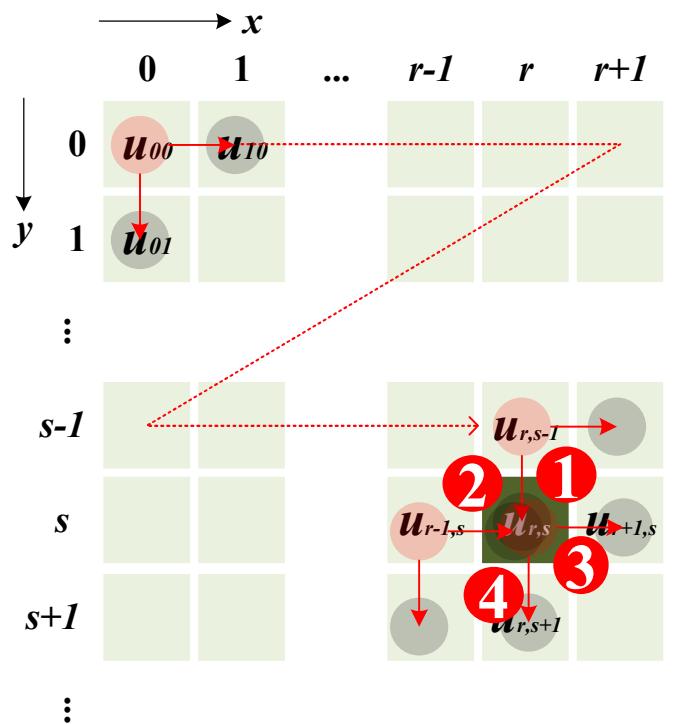
$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{rs}} \left(I_x(r,s;t) \mathbf{u}_{rs} + I_y(r,s;t) \mathbf{v}_{rs} + I_t(r,s;t) \right)^2 + \dots = 0$$



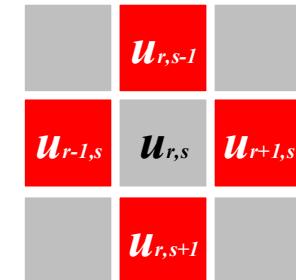
$$\frac{\partial E(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})}{\partial u_{rs}} = \lambda \times \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{rs}} \left((I_x(k, s; t) \mathbf{u}_{rs} + I_y(k, s; t) \mathbf{v}_{rs} + I_t(k, s; t))^2 \right)$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{rs}} \sum_{(i,j)} \left(\frac{1}{4} \left(u_{r,s} (u_{ij} - u_{i,j+1})^2 + (v_{r,s} (v_{ij} - v_{i,j+1}))^2 \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{4} \left(u_{r,s} (u_{ij} - u_{i,j+1})^2 + (v_{r,s} (v_{ij} - v_{i,j+1}))^2 \right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{rs}} \frac{1}{4} \left((u_{00} - u_{10})^2 + (v_{00} - v_{10})^2 \right) + \dots \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{rs}} \frac{1}{4} \left((u_{r,s-1} - u_{r+1,s-1})^2 + (v_{r,s-1} - v_{r+1,s-1})^2 \right) + \dots \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{rs}} \frac{1}{4} \left(\textcolor{red}{1} (u_{r,s-1} - u_{r,s})^2 + (v_{r,s-1} - v_{r,s})^2 \right) \\ + \dots \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{rs}} \frac{1}{4} \left(\textcolor{red}{2} (u_{r-1,s} - u_{r,s})^2 + (v_{r-1,s} - v_{r,s})^2 \right) \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{rs}} \frac{1}{4} \left((u_{r-s,l} - u_{r-1,s+1})^2 + (v_{r-1,s} - v_{r-1,s+1})^2 \right) \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{rs}} \frac{1}{4} \left((u_{r,s} - u_{r+1,s})^2 + (v_{r,s} - v_{r+1,s})^2 \right) + \dots$$



$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial E(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{rs}} &= \lambda \times \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{rs}} \left(\underbrace{I_x(r, s; t) \mathbf{u}_{rs}}_{\equiv I_x} + \underbrace{I_y(r, s; t) \mathbf{v}_{rs}}_{\equiv I_y} + \underbrace{I_t(r, s; t)}_{\equiv I_t} \right)^2 \\
&\quad + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{rs}} \frac{1}{4} \left((\mathbf{u}_{r,s-1} - \mathbf{u}_{rs})^2 + (\mathbf{u}_{r-1,s} - \mathbf{u}_{rs})^2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. (\mathbf{u}_{rs} - \mathbf{u}_{r+1,s})^2 + (\mathbf{u}_{rs} - \mathbf{u}_{r,s+1})^2 \right) \\
&= \lambda \times 2 \times (I_x \mathbf{u}_{rs} + I_y \mathbf{v}_{rs} + I_t) \times I_x \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{4} \left(2 \times (\mathbf{u}_{r,s-1} - \mathbf{u}_{rs}) \times (-1) + 2 \times (\mathbf{u}_{r-1,s} - \mathbf{u}_{rs}) \times (-1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. 2 \times (\mathbf{u}_{rs} - \mathbf{u}_{r+1,s}) \times (1) + 2 \times (\mathbf{u}_{rs} - \mathbf{u}_{r,s+1}) \times (1) \right) \\
&= \lambda \times 2 \times (I_x^2 \mathbf{u}_{rs} + I_x I_y \mathbf{v}_{rs} + I_x I_t) \\
&\quad + 2 \times \left(\mathbf{u}_{rs} - \frac{1}{4} \times (\mathbf{u}_{r,s-1} + \mathbf{u}_{r-1,s} + \mathbf{u}_{r+1,s} + \mathbf{u}_{r,s+1}) \right) \\
&\qquad\qquad\qquad \equiv \overline{\mathbf{u}_{rs}}
\end{aligned}$$



General Power Law: $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [f(x)]^n \equiv n \times [f(x)]^{n-1} \times \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x}$



Horn-Schunck Method

- Iterative Optimization

$$\frac{E(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{rs}} = \lambda \times 2 \times (I_x^2 \mathbf{u}_{rs} + I_x I_y \mathbf{v}_{rs} + I_x I_t) + 2 \times (\mathbf{u}_{r,s} - \overline{\mathbf{u}_{r,s}}) = 0$$

$$\frac{E(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{rs}} = \lambda \times 2 \times (I_x I_y \mathbf{u}_{rs} + I_y^2 \mathbf{v}_{rs} + I_y I_t) + 2 \times (\mathbf{v}_{r,s} - \overline{\mathbf{v}_{r,s}}) = 0$$

$$(1 + \lambda I_x^2) \mathbf{u}_{rs} + (\lambda I_x I_y) \mathbf{v}_{rs} = \overline{\mathbf{u}_{r,s}} - \lambda I_x I_t$$



system of two linear equations
in two unknowns u_{rs} and v_{rs}

$$(\lambda I_x I_y) \mathbf{u}_{rs} + (1 + \lambda I_y^2) \mathbf{v}_{rs} = \overline{\mathbf{v}_{r,s}} - \lambda I_y I_t$$





Horn-Schunck Method

- Iterative Optimization

$$\begin{cases} (1 + \lambda I_x^2) \mathbf{u}_{rs} + (\lambda I_x I_y) \mathbf{v}_{rs} = \overline{\mathbf{u}_{r,s}} - \lambda I_x I_t \\ (\lambda I_x I_y) \mathbf{u}_{rs} + (1 + \lambda I_y^2) \mathbf{v}_{rs} = \overline{\mathbf{v}_{r,s}} - \lambda I_y I_t \end{cases}$$

→ ... →

long calculation

$$\mathbf{u}_{rs} = \overline{\mathbf{u}_{rs}} - \frac{\overline{\mathbf{u}_{r,s}} \times I_x + \overline{\mathbf{v}_{r,s}} \times I_y + I_t}{\lambda^{-1} + I_x^2 + I_y^2} \times I_x$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{rs} = \overline{\mathbf{v}_{rs}} - \frac{\overline{\mathbf{u}_{r,s}} \times I_x + \overline{\mathbf{v}_{r,s}} \times I_y + I_t}{\lambda^{-1} + I_x^2 + I_y^2} \times I_y$$

$$\begin{cases} a_1x + b_1y = c_1 \\ a_2x + b_2y = c_2 \end{cases} \quad x = \frac{b_2c_1 - b_1c_2}{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1} \quad y = \frac{a_1c_2 - a_2c_1}{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1}$$





Horn-Schunck Method

- Iterative Optimization
 - Estimating optical flow by solving all equations simultaneously is very costly
 - Each point has a pair of equations with two unknowns.
 - This results in $w \times h \times 2$ equations in total
 - An **iterative** algorithm is used for optical flow estimation in Horn-Schunck Method.



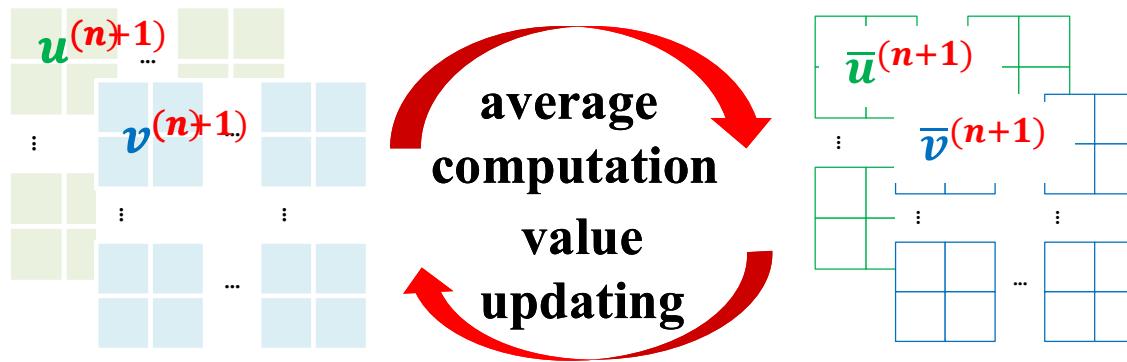
Horn-Schunck Method

- Iterative Optimization

$$u_{rs}^{(n+1)} = \bar{u}_{rs}^{(n)} \frac{\bar{u}_r \bar{u}_{rs}^{(n)} I_x + \bar{v}_{xs} \times \bar{v}_{ys}^{(n)} + I_t \times I_y + I_t}{\lambda^{-1} + \lambda I_x^2 + I_y^2 + I_x^2} \times I_x$$

$$v_{rs}^{(n+1)} = \bar{v}_{rs}^{(n)} \frac{\bar{u}_{rs}^{(n)} \bar{u}_r I_x + \bar{v}_{rs} \times \bar{v}_{ys}^{(n)} + I_t \times I_y + I_t}{\lambda^{-1} + \lambda_x^2 + \lambda_y^2 + I_x^2 + I_y^2} \times I_y$$

new value old average





Horn-Schunck Method

- Iterative Optimization: Algorithm
 - Input: (1) two images: $I(., t)$ and $I(., t + 1)$; (2) parameters: λ and N (number of iterations)
 - Initialization
 - pre-compute three derivatives: I_x , I_y and I_t
 - initialize (u_{ij}, v_{ij}) of all points (i, j) to $(0.0, 0.0)$

| | | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 | 134 | 175 | 95 | 50 | 162 |
| 134 | 2 | 1 | 134 | 175 | 95 |
| 175 | 13 | 134 | 2 | 29 | 52 |
| 95 | 17 | 175 | 134 | 36 | 38 |
| 50 | 95 | 95 | 176 | 45 | 94 |
| 162 | 5 | 50 | 95 | 176 | 134 |
| | | 162 | 50 | 95 | 175 |
| | | | 134 | 2 | 1 |

$I(., t)$ $I(., t + 1)$



| | | | | | |
|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0.5 | 44.0 | -35.5 | -16 | 45.5 | 0 |
| -86 | 0.5 | -129 | -81.5 | -8 | -45.5 |
| 2 | 86. | 0 | -10 | -13 | 8 |
| 6 | -19 | 0 | -23 | -25.2 | 20.5 |
| -33 | -63 | 0 | -9.75 | -5.75 | 9.25 |
| -33 | 33. | 0 | 3.25 | 6.5 | -3.25 |
| -33. | 33. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

I_x I_y I_t

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

$u^{(0)}$ $v^{(0)}$



Horn-Schunck Method

- Iterative Optimization: Algorithm
 - Iteration (*for n=0 to N - 1*)
 - Average Computation: compute $(\bar{u}_{ij}^{(n)}, \bar{v}_{ij}^{(n)}) \forall(i,j)$
 - Value Updating: update $(u_{ij}^{(n+1)}, v_{ij}^{(n+1)}) \forall(i,j)$

$$\bar{u}_{ij}^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{4} \left(u_{i,j-1}^{(n)} + u_{i-1,j-1}^{(n)} + u_{i+1,j-1}^{(n)} + u_{i,j+1}^{(n)} \right) \times I_x$$

$$\bar{v}_{ij}^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{4} \left(v_{i,j-1}^{(n)} + v_{i-1,j-1}^{(n)} + v_{i+1,j-1}^{(n)} + v_{i,j+1}^{(n)} \right) \times I_y$$





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