

# Image warping/morphing

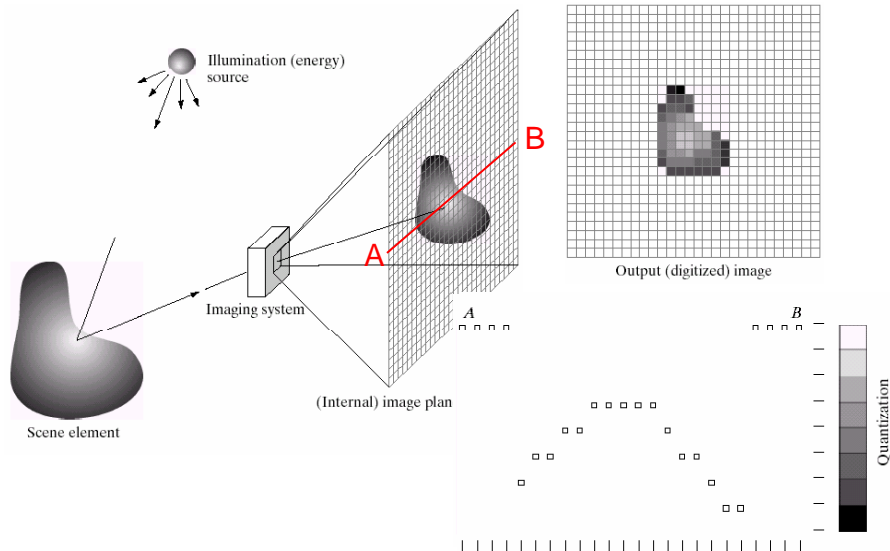
Digital Visual Effects

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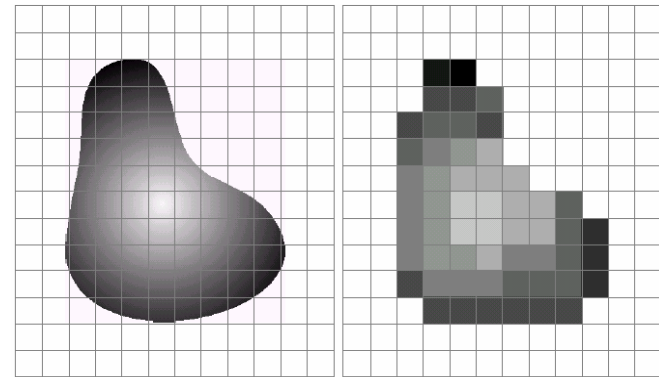
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# Image warping

## Image formation



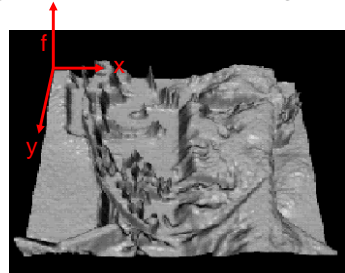
## Sampling and quantization



## What is an image

- We can think of an **image** as a function,  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :
  - $f(x, y)$  gives the **intensity** at position  $(x, y)$
  - defined over a rectangle, with a finite range:

•  $f: [a,b] \times [c,d] \rightarrow [0,1]$



- A color image

$$f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} r(x, y) \\ g(x, y) \\ b(x, y) \end{bmatrix}$$

## A digital image

- We usually operate on **digital (discrete)** images:
  - Sample the 2D space on a regular grid
  - Quantize each sample (round to nearest integer)
- If our samples are  $D$  apart, we can write this as:
 
$$f[i, j] = \text{Quantize}\{ f(i D, j D) \}$$
- The image can now be represented as a matrix of integer values

	$j \rightarrow$							
$i \downarrow$	62	79	23	119	120	105	4	0
	10	10	9	62	12	78	34	0
	10	58	197	46	46	0	0	48
	176	135	5	188	191	68	0	49
	2	1	1	29	26	37	0	77
	0	89	144	147	187	102	62	208
	255	252	0	166	123	62	0	31
	166	63	127	17	1	0	99	30

## Image warping

image filtering: change **range** of image

$$g(x) = h(f(x))$$

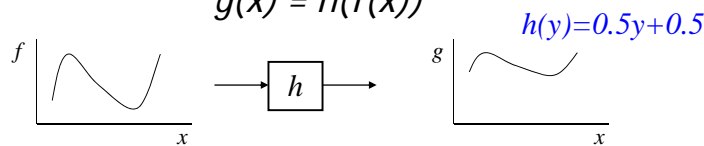
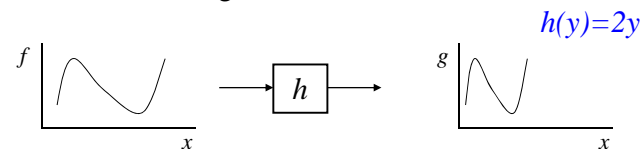


image warping: change **domain** of image

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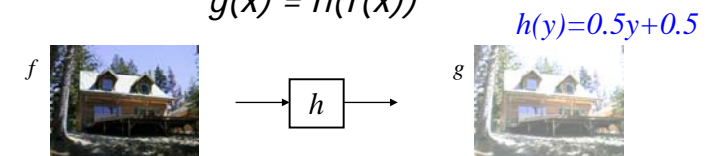
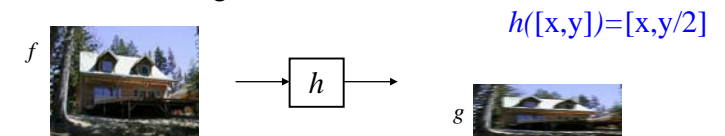


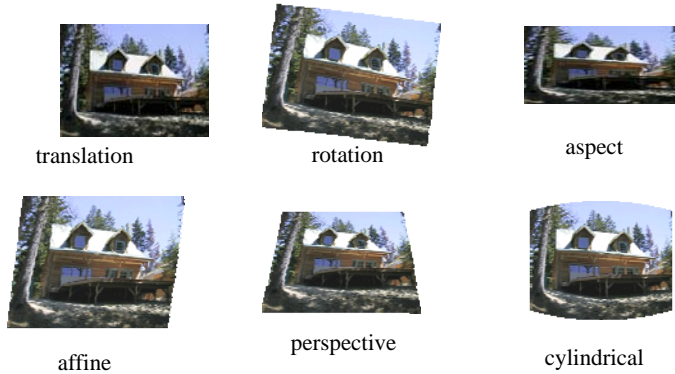
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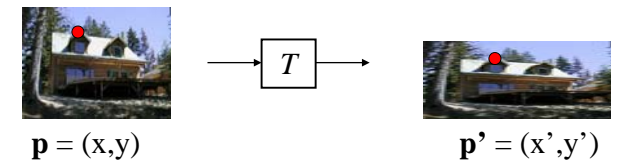


# Parametric (global) warping

Examples of parametric warps:



# Parametric (global) warping



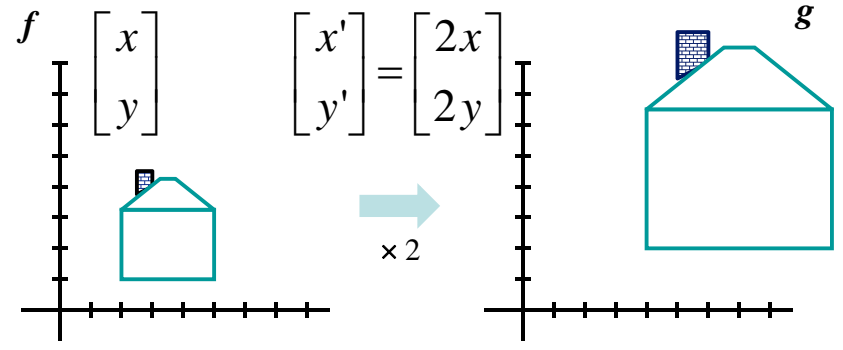
- Transformation  $T$  is a coordinate-changing machine:  $\mathbf{p}' = T(\mathbf{p})$
- What does it mean that  $T$  is global?
  - Is the same for any point  $\mathbf{p}$
  - can be described by just a few numbers (parameters)

• Represent  $T$  as a matrix:  $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{M} * \mathbf{p}$

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

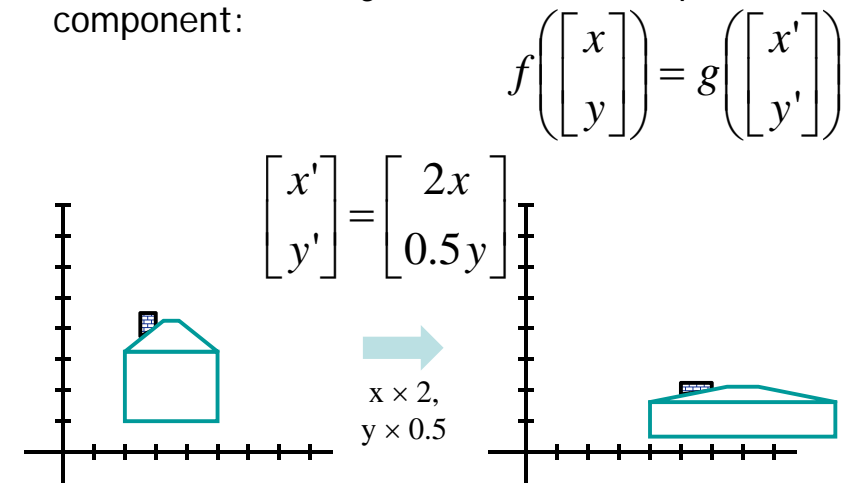
# Scaling

- *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:

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

What's inverse of S?

## 2-D Rotation

- This is easy to capture in matrix form:

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

- Even though  $\sin(\theta)$  and  $\cos(\theta)$  are nonlinear to  $\theta$ ,
  - $x'$  is a linear combination of  $x$  and  $y$
  - $y'$  is a linear combination of  $x$  and  $y$
- What is the inverse transformation?
  - Rotation by  $-\theta$
  - For rotation matrices,  $\det(\mathbf{R}) = 1$  so  $\mathbf{R}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^T$

## 2x2 Matrices

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

2D Identity?

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

2D Scale around (0,0)?

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= s_x * x \\ y' &= s_y * y \end{aligned} \quad \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 \\ 0 & s_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2x2 Matrices

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

2D Rotate around (0,0)?

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= \cos \theta * x - \sin \theta * y \\ y' &= \sin \theta * x + \cos \theta * y \end{aligned} \quad \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

2D Shear?

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= x + sh_x * y \\ y' &= sh_y * x + y \end{aligned} \quad \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & sh_x \\ sh_y & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2x2 Matrices

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

2D Mirror about Y axis?

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

2D Mirror over (0,0)?

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

## All 2D Linear Transformations

- Linear transformations are combinations of ...
  - Scale,
  - Rotation,
  - Shear, and
  - Mirror
- Properties of linear transformations:
  - Origin maps to origin
  - Lines map to lines
  - Parallel lines remain parallel
  - Ratios are preserved
  - Closed under composition

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

## 2x2 Matrices

- What types of transformations can **not** be represented with a 2x2 matrix?

2D Translation?

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= x + t_x \\ y' &= y + t_y \end{aligned} \quad \text{NO!}$$

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

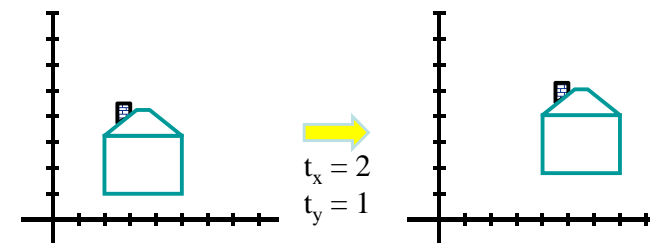
## Translation

- Example of translation

Homogeneous Coordinates



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



## Affine Transformations

- Affine transformations are combinations of ...
  - Linear transformations, and
  - Translations

- Properties of affine transformations:

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

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

## Projective Transformations

- Projective transformations ...
  - Affine transformations, and
  - Projective warps
- Properties of projective transformations:

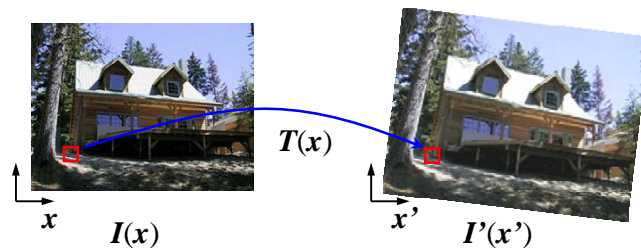
- Origin does not necessarily map to origin
- Lines map to lines
- Parallel lines do not necessarily remain parallel
- Ratios are not preserved

- Closed under composition
- Models change of basis

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

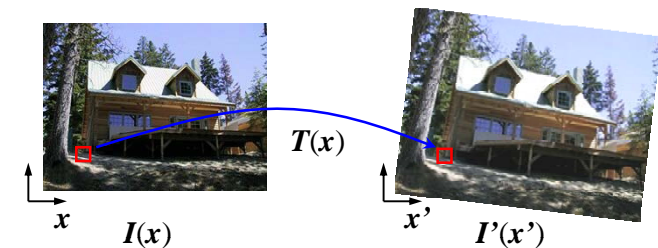
## Image warping

- Given a coordinate transform  $x' = T(x)$  and a source image  $I(x)$ , how do we compute a transformed image  $I'(x') = I(T(x))$ ?



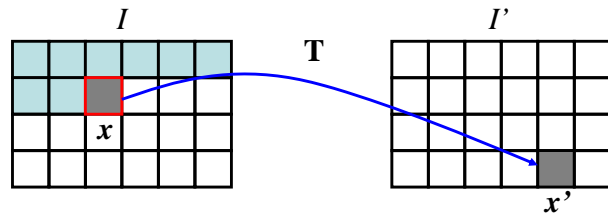
## Forward warping

- Send each pixel  $I(x)$  to its corresponding location  $x' = T(x)$  in  $I'(x')$



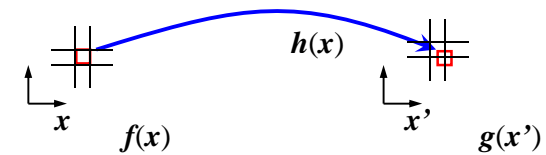
## Forward warping

```
fwarp(I, I', T)
{
  for (y=0; y<I.height; y++)
    for (x=0; x<I.width; x++) {
      (x',y')=T(x,y);
      I'(x',y')=I(x,y);
    }
}
```



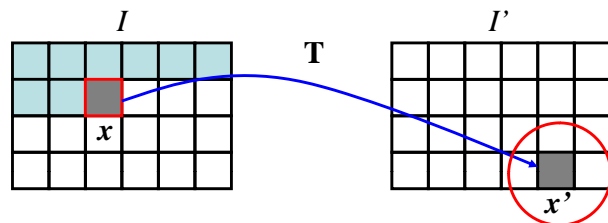
## Forward warping

- Send each pixel  $I(x)$  to its corresponding location  $x' = T(x)$  in  $I'(x')$
- What if pixel lands “between” two pixels?
- Will be there holes?
- Answer: add “contribution” to several pixels, normalize later (*splatting*)



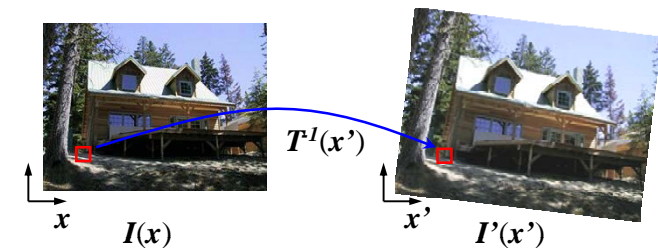
## Forward warping

```
fwarp(I, I', T)
{
  for (y=0; y<I.height; y++)
    for (x=0; x<I.width; x++) {
      (x',y')=T(x,y);
      Splatting(I',x',y',I(x,y),kernel);
    }
}
```



## Inverse warping

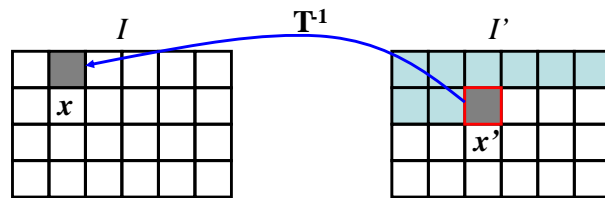
- Get each pixel  $I'(x')$  from its corresponding location  $x = T^{-1}(x')$  in  $I(x)$



## Inverse warping

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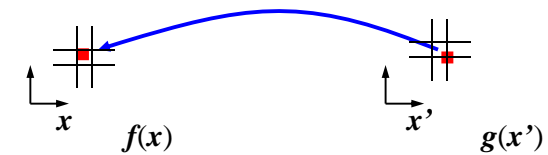
```
iwarp(I, I', T)
{
  for (y=0; y<I'.height; y++)
    for (x=0; x<I'.width; x++) {
      (x,y)=T-1(x',y');
      I'(x',y')=I(x,y);
    }
}
```



## Inverse warping

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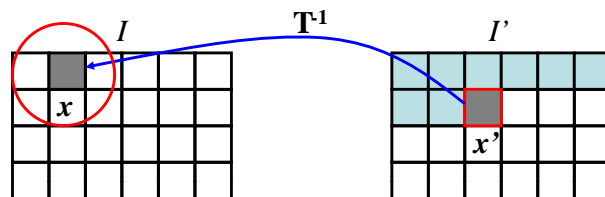
- Get each pixel  $I'(x')$  from its corresponding location  $x = T^{-1}(x')$  in  $I(x)$
- What if pixel comes from “between” two pixels?
- Answer: *resample* color value from *interpolated (prefiltered)* source image



## Inverse warping

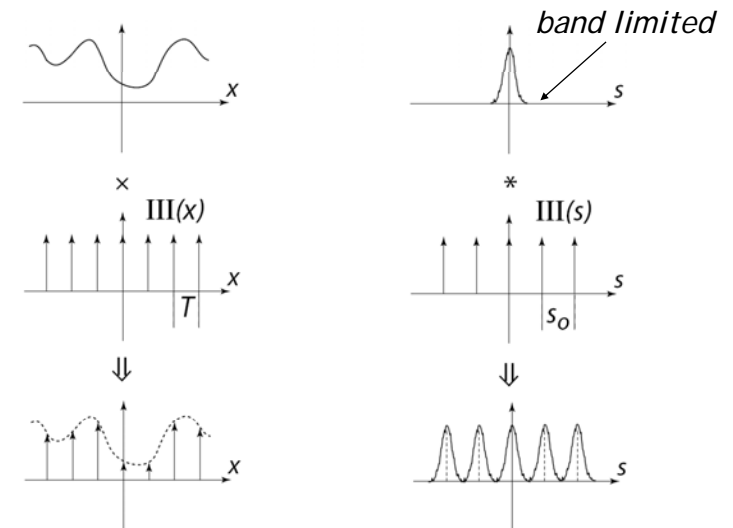
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```
iwarp(I, I', T)
{
  for (y=0; y<I'.height; y++)
    for (x=0; x<I'.width; x++) {
      (x,y)=T-1(x',y');
      I'(x',y')=Reconstruct(I,x,y,kernel);
    }
}
```



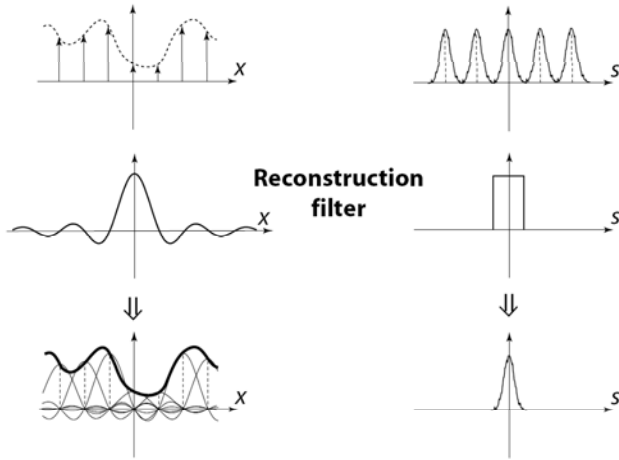
## Sampling

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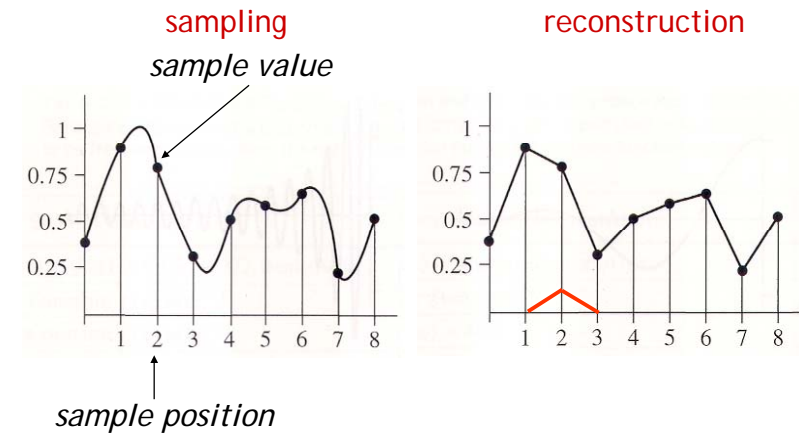
## Reconstruction



The reconstructed function is obtained by interpolating among the samples in some manner

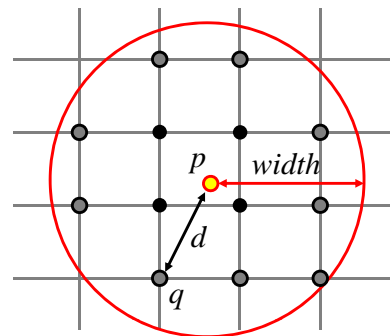
## Reconstruction

- Reconstruction generates an approximation to the original function. Error is called aliasing.



## Reconstruction

- Computed weighted sum of pixel neighborhood; output is weighted average of input, where weights are normalized values of filter kernel  $k$



$$p = \frac{\sum_i k(q_i)q_i}{\sum_i k(q_i)}$$

```

color=0;
weights=0;
for all q's dist < width
  d = dist(p, q);
  w = kernel(d);
  color += w*q.color;
  weights += w;
p.Color = color/weights;
    
```

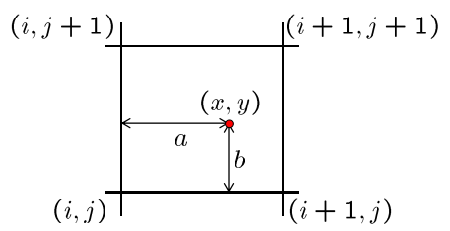
## Reconstruction (interpolation)

- Possible reconstruction filters (kernels):
  - nearest neighbor
  - bilinear
  - bicubic
  - sinc (optimal reconstruction)



## Bilinear interpolation (triangle filter) DigiVFX

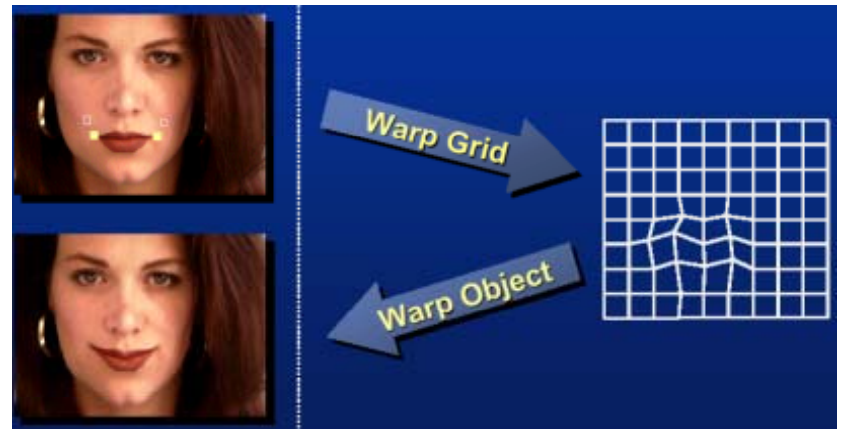
- A simple method for resampling images



$$f(x, y) = (1 - a)(1 - b) f[i, j] + a(1 - b) f[i + 1, j] + ab f[i + 1, j + 1] + (1 - a)b f[i, j + 1]$$

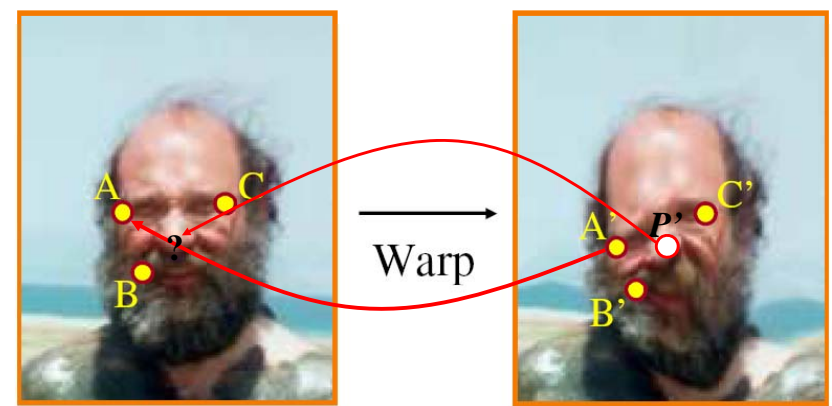
## Non-parametric image warping DigiVFX

- Specify a more detailed warp function
- Splines, meshes, optical flow (per-pixel motion)



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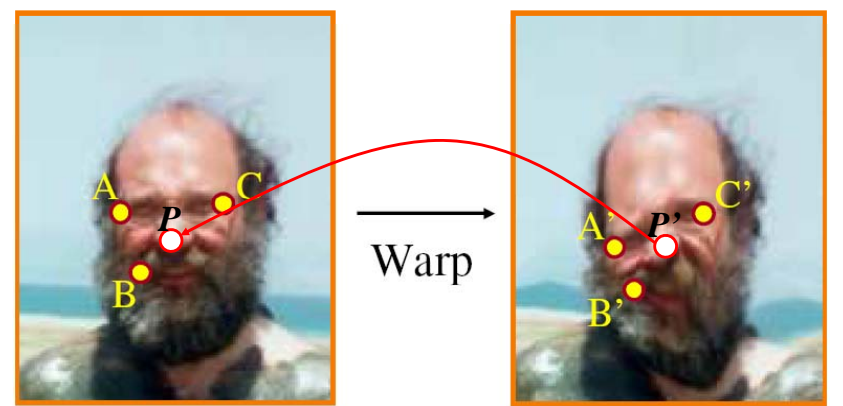
- Mappings implied by correspondences
- Inverse warping



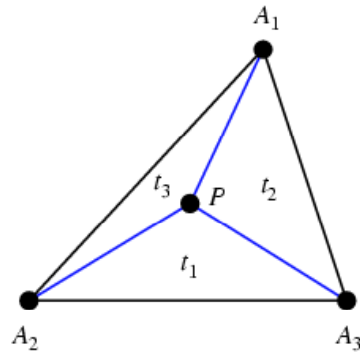
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$$P = w_A A + w_B B + w_C C \qquad P' = w_A A' + w_B B' + w_C C'$$

*Barycentric coordinate*



## Barycentric coordinates



$$P = t_1 A_1 + t_2 A_2 + t_3 A_3$$

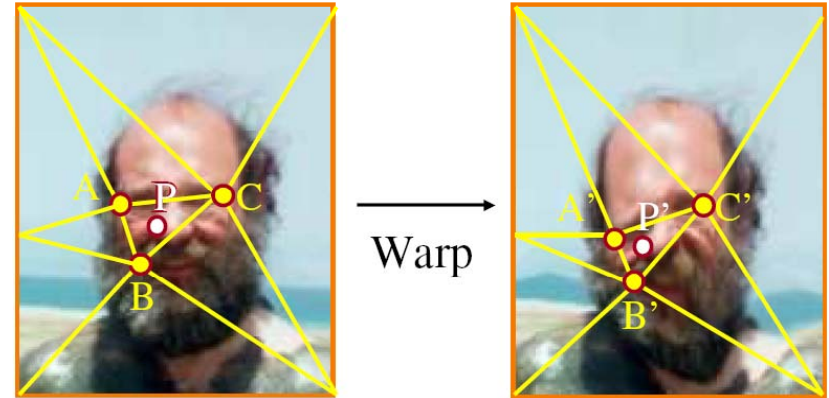
$$t_1 + t_2 + t_3 = 1$$

## Non-parametric image warping

$$P = w_A A + w_B B + w_C C$$

$$P' = w_A A' + w_B B' + w_C C'$$

Barycentric coordinate



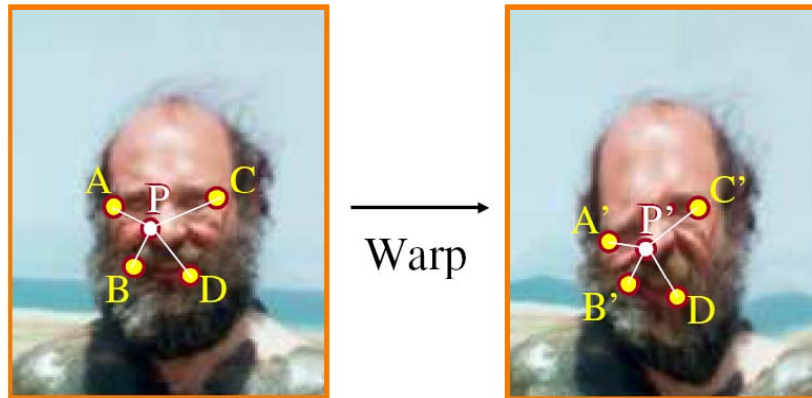
## Non-parametric image warping

Gaussian  $\rho(r) = e^{-\beta r^2}$

thin plate spline  $\rho(r) = r^2 \log(r)$

$$\Delta P = \frac{1}{K} \sum_i k_{X_i}(P') \Delta X_i$$

radial basis function



## Demo

- <http://www.colonize.com/warp/warp04-2.php>
- Warping is a useful operation for mosaics, video matching, view interpolation and so on.

## Image morphing

### Image morphing

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- The goal is to synthesize a fluid transformation from one image to another.
- Cross dissolving is a common transition between cuts, but it is not good for morphing because of the ghosting effects.



image #1

dissolving

image #2

### Artifacts of cross-dissolving

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<http://www.salavon.com/>

### Image morphing

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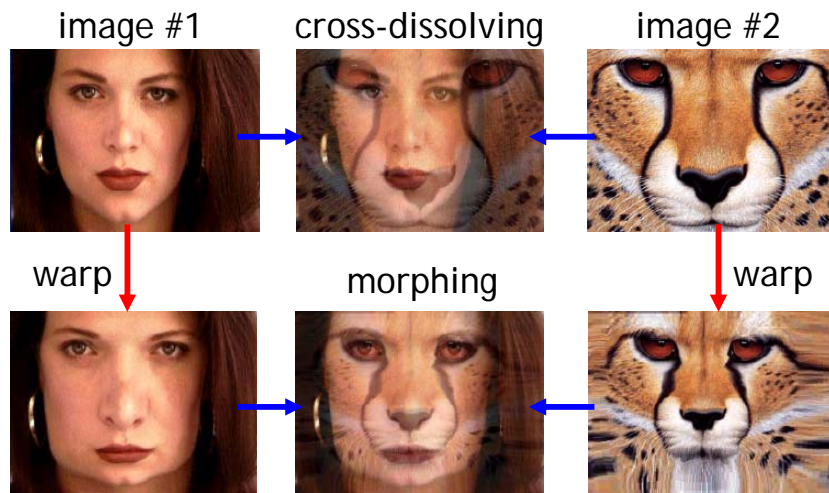
- Why ghosting?
- Morphing = warping + cross-dissolving

↑  
shape  
(geometric)

↑  
color  
(photometric)

## Image morphing

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## Morphing sequence

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## Face averaging by morphing

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average faces

## Image morphing

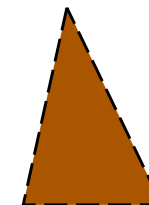
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create a morphing sequence: for each time  $t$

1. Create an intermediate warping field (by interpolation)
2. Warp both images towards it
3. Cross-dissolve the colors in the newly warped images



$t=0$



$t=0.33$



$t=1$



## An ideal example (in 2004)

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t=0

morphing

t=1

## An ideal example

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t=0

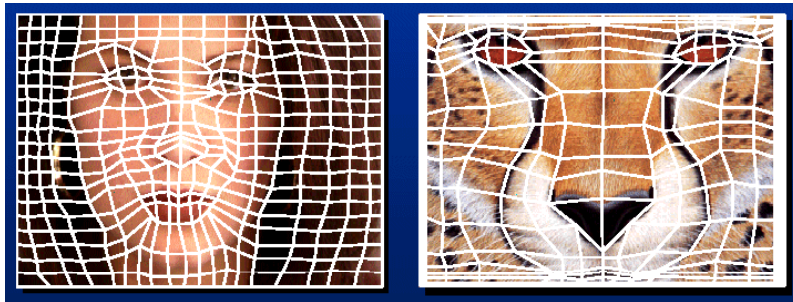
middle face (t=0.5)

t=1

## Warp specification (mesh warping)

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- How can we specify the warp?
  1. Specify corresponding *spline control points*  
*interpolate* to a complete warping function

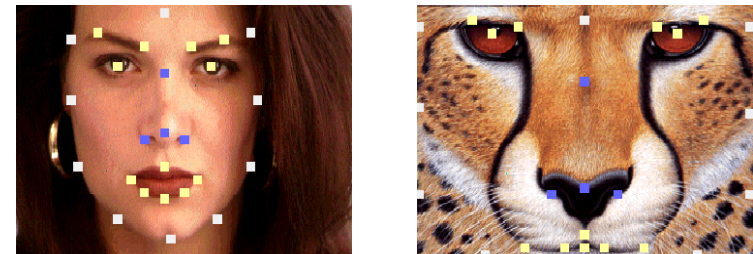


easy to implement, but less expressive

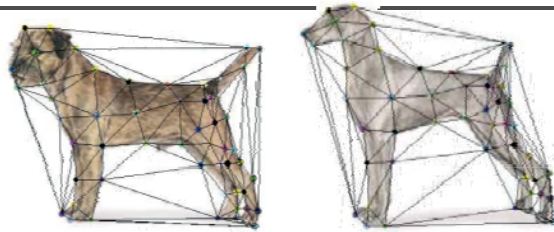
## Warp specification

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- How can we specify the warp
  2. Specify corresponding *points*
    - *interpolate* to a complete warping function



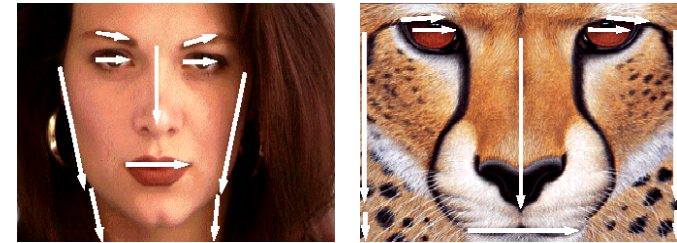
## Solution: convert to mesh warping



1. Define a triangular mesh over the points
  - Same mesh in both images!
  - Now we have triangle-to-triangle correspondences
2. Warp each triangle separately from source to destination
  - How do we warp a triangle?
  - 3 points = affine warp!
  - Just like texture mapping

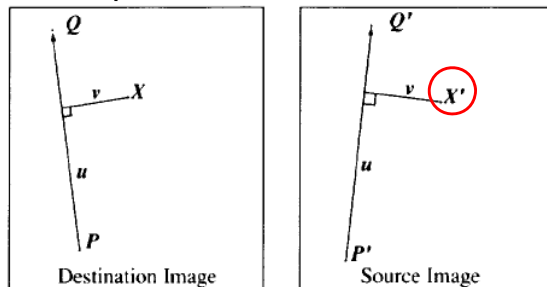
## Warp specification (field warping)

- How can we specify the warp?
  3. Specify corresponding *vectors*
    - *interpolate* to a complete warping function
    - The Beier & Neely Algorithm



## Beier&Neely (SIGGRAPH 1992)

- Single line-pair PQ to P'Q':



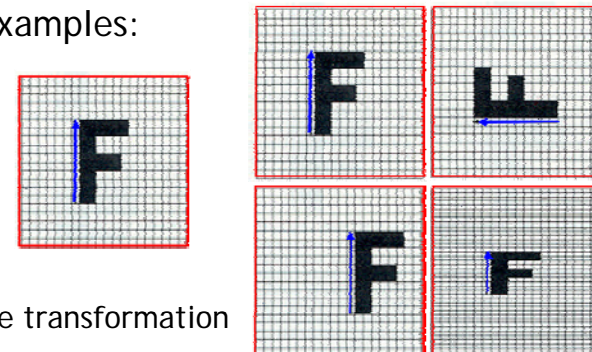
$$u = \frac{(X-P) \cdot (Q-P)}{\|Q-P\|^2} \quad (1)$$

$$v = \frac{(X-P) \cdot \text{Perpendicular}(Q-P)}{\|Q-P\|} \quad (2)$$

$$X' = P' + u \cdot (Q' - P') + \frac{v \cdot \text{Perpendicular}(Q' - P')}{\|Q' - P'\|} \quad (3)$$

## Algorithm (single line-pair)

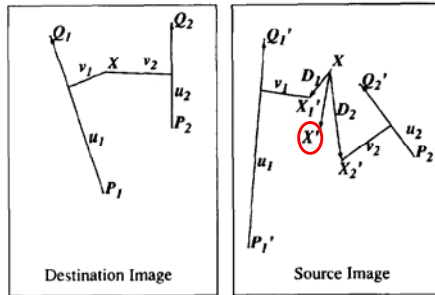
- For each X in the destination image:
  1. Find the corresponding u,v
  2. Find X' in the source image for that u,v
  3. destinationImage(X) = sourceImage(X')
- Examples:



Affine transformation

## Multiple Lines

$$D_i = X'_i - X_i$$



$$weight[i] = \left( \frac{length[i]^p}{a + dist[i]} \right)^b$$

*length* = length of the line segment,

*dist* = distance to line segment

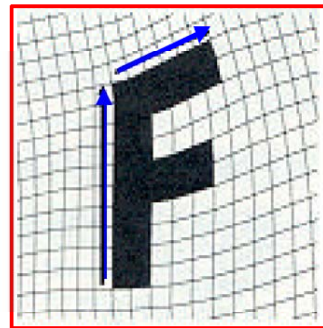
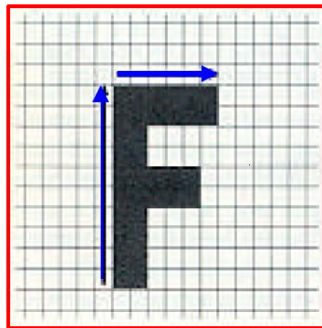
The influence of *a*, *p*, *b*. The same as the average of  $X'_i$

## Full Algorithm

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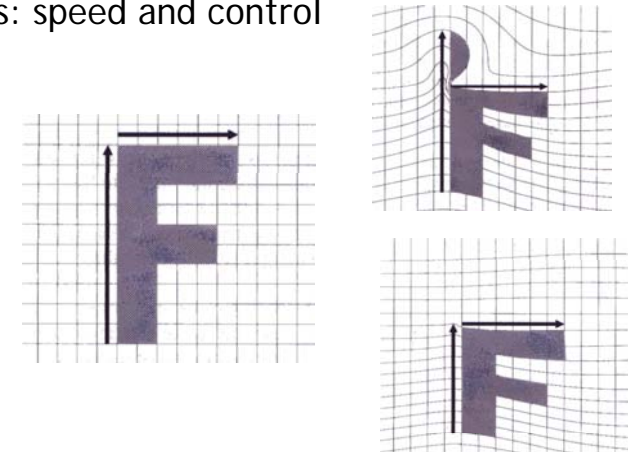
WarpImage(SourceImage, L'[...], L[...])
begin
  foreach destination pixel X do
    XSum = (0,0)
    WeightSum = 0
    foreach line L[i] in destination do
      X'[i] = X transformed by (L[i],L'[i])
      weight[i] = weight assigned to X'[i]
      XSum = Xsum + X'[i] * weight[i]
      WeightSum += weight[i]
    end
    X' = XSum/WeightSum
    DestinationImage(X) = SourceImage(X')
  end
return Destination
end
    
```

## Resulting warp



## Comparison to mesh morphing

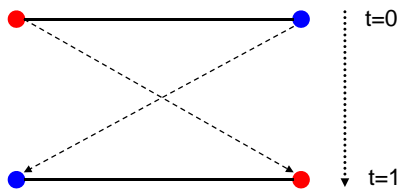
- Pros: more expressive
- Cons: speed and control





## Warp interpolation

- How do we create an intermediate warp at time  $t$ ?
  - linear interpolation for line end-points
  - But, a line rotating 180 degrees will become 0 length in the middle
  - One solution is to interpolate line mid-point and orientation angle



## Animation

GenerateAnimation(Image<sub>0</sub>, L<sub>0</sub>[...], Image<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>1</sub>[...])

**begin**

**foreach** intermediate frame time  $t$  **do**

**for**  $i=1$  to number of line-pairs **do**

$L[i] =$  line  $t$ -th of the way from  $L_0[i]$  to  $L_1[i]$ .

**end**

    Warp<sub>0</sub> = WarpImage( Image<sub>0</sub>, L<sub>0</sub>[...], L[...])

    Warp<sub>1</sub> = WarpImage( Image<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>1</sub>[...], L[...])

**foreach** pixel  $p$  in FinalImage **do**

      FinalImage( $p$ ) =  $(1-t)$  Warp<sub>0</sub>( $p$ ) +  $t$  Warp<sub>1</sub>( $p$ )

**end**

**end**

**end**

## Animated sequences

- Specify keyframes and interpolate the lines for the inbetween frames
- Require a lot of tweaking

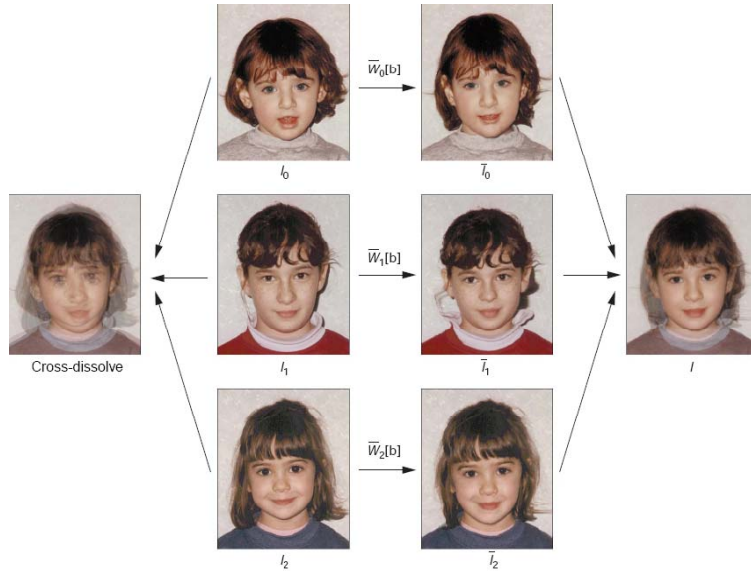
## Results



*Michael Jackson's MTV "Black or White"*

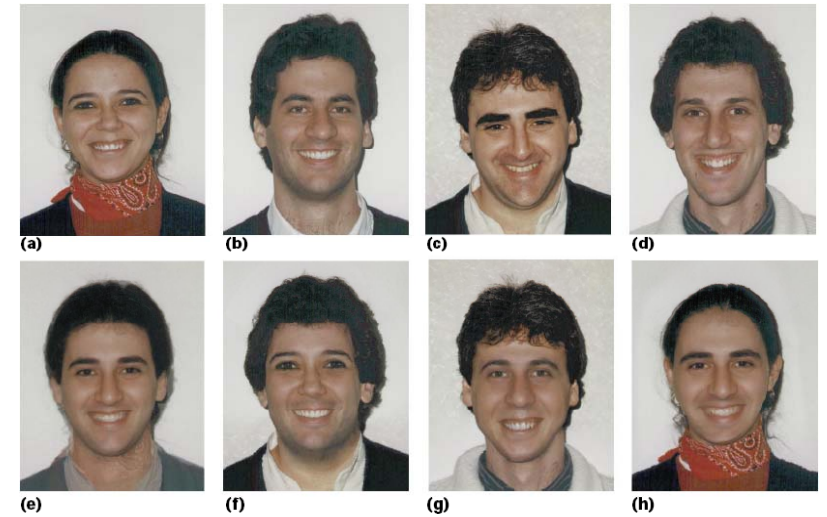
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