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CPSC 425: Computer Vision

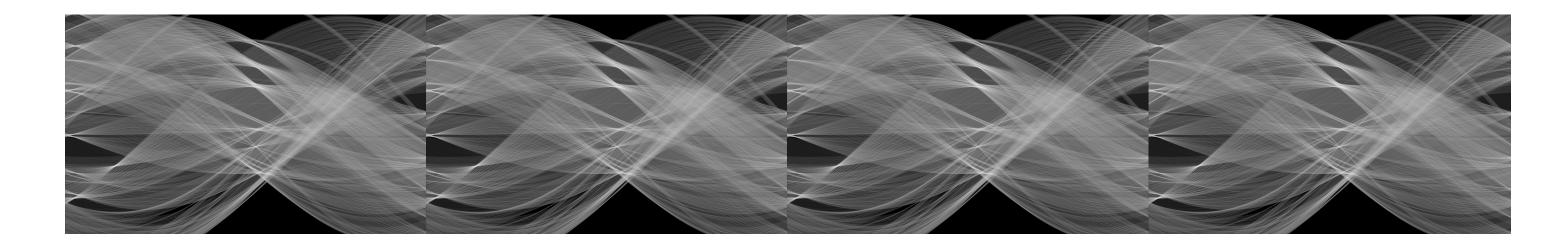


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Lecture 15: Hough Transform

Menu for Today (October 30, 2024)

Topics:

– Hough Transform

Transformation Space Voting

Readings:

- Today's Lecture: Szeliski 7.4, Forsyth & Ponce 10.1

Reminders:

- Assignment 4: RANSAC and Panorama Stitching
- Midterm grading is on the way (Gradescope)



- Line Detection

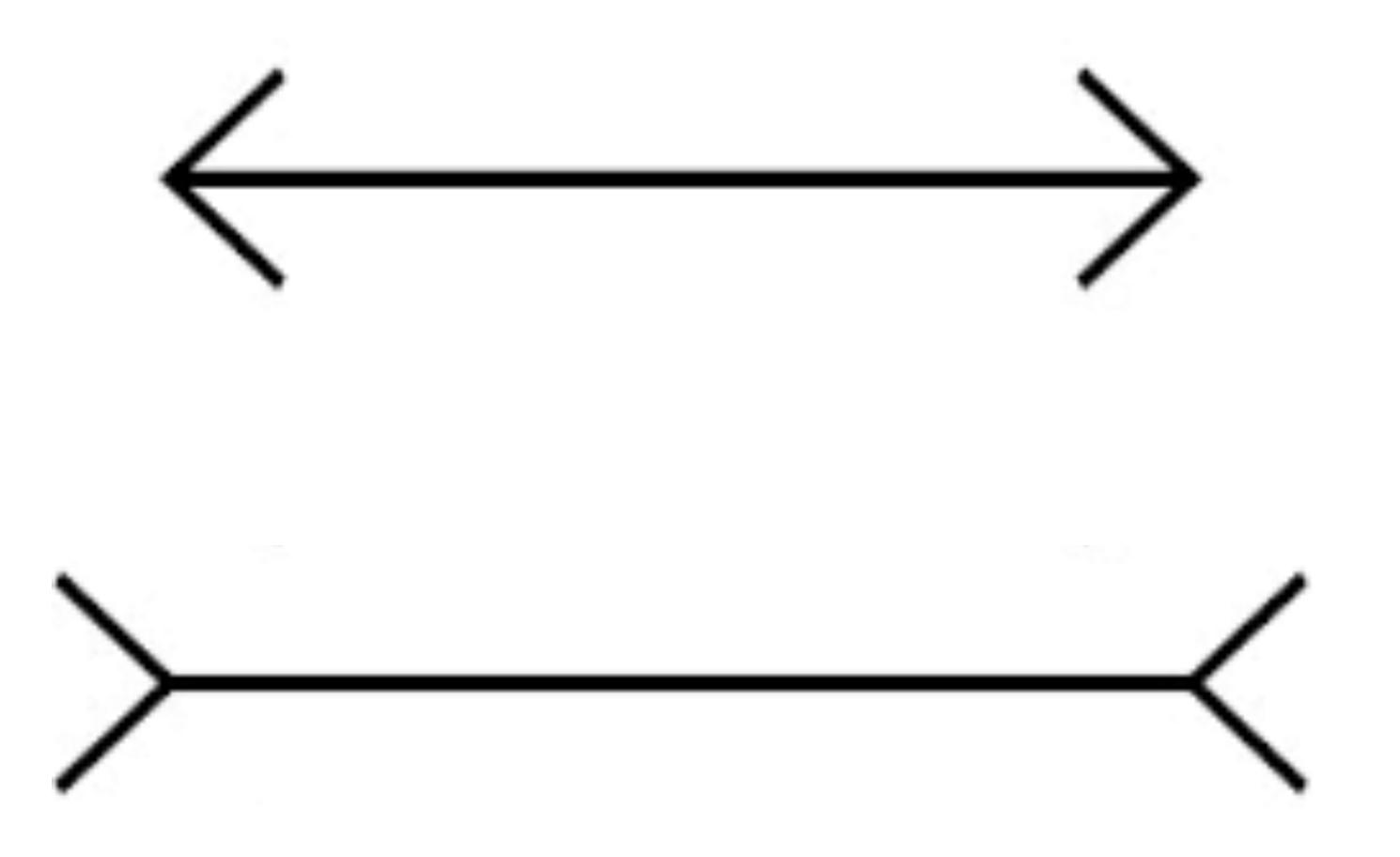




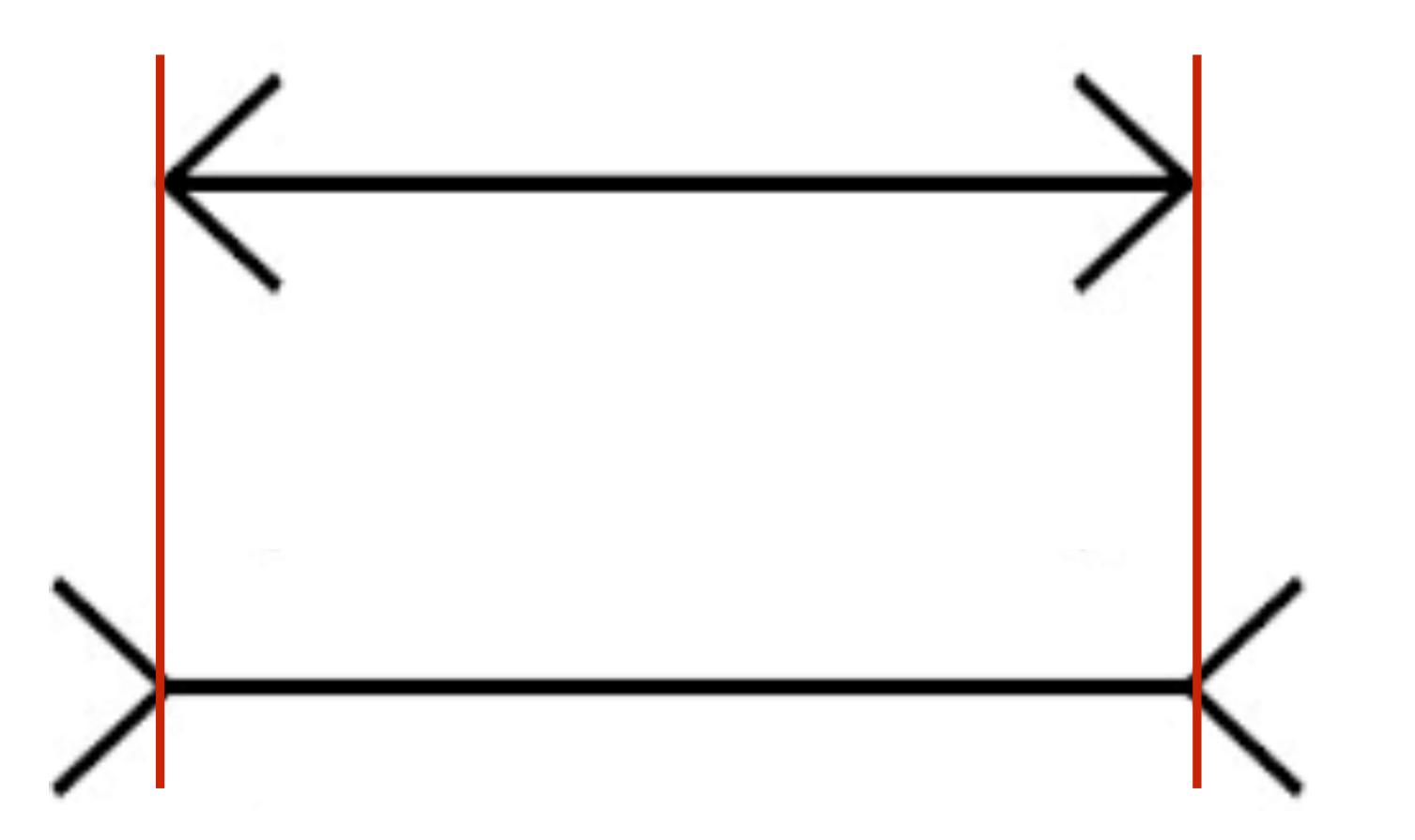
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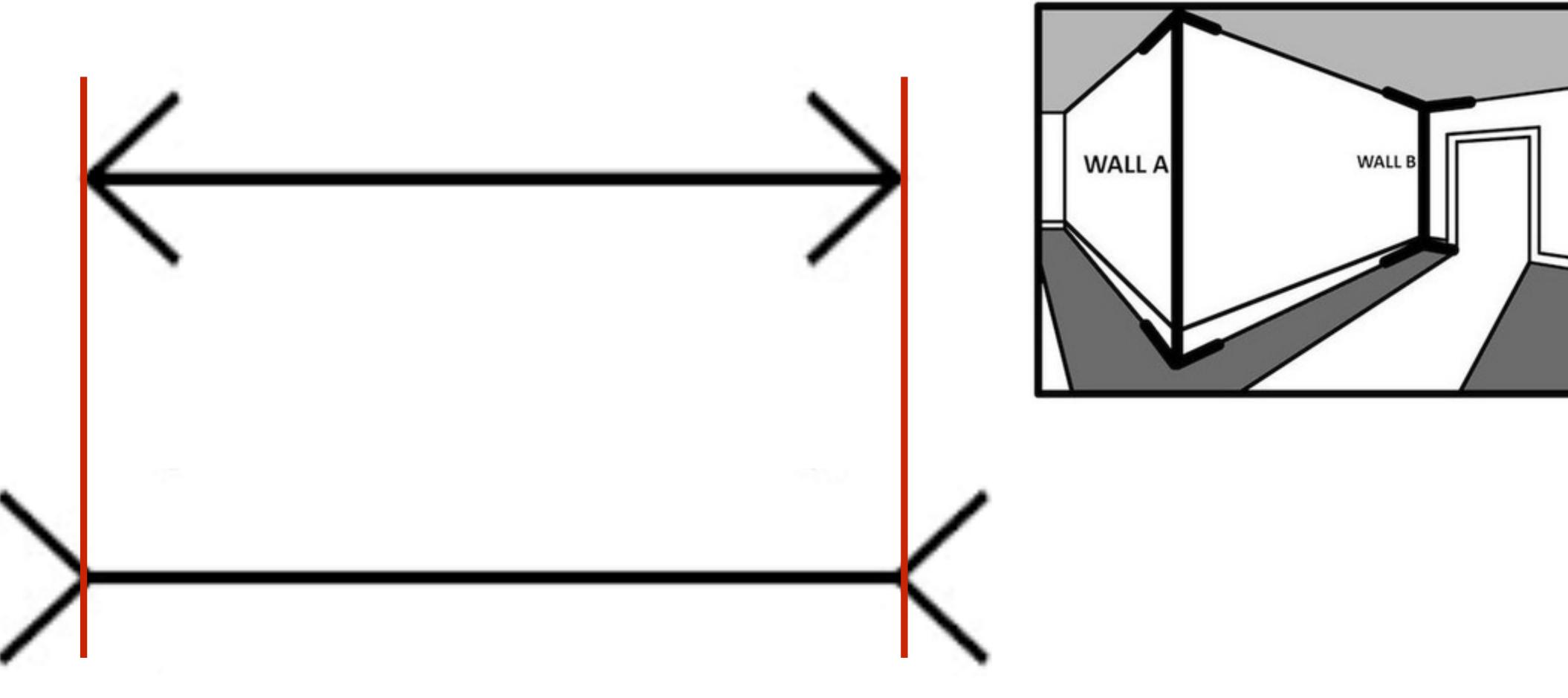
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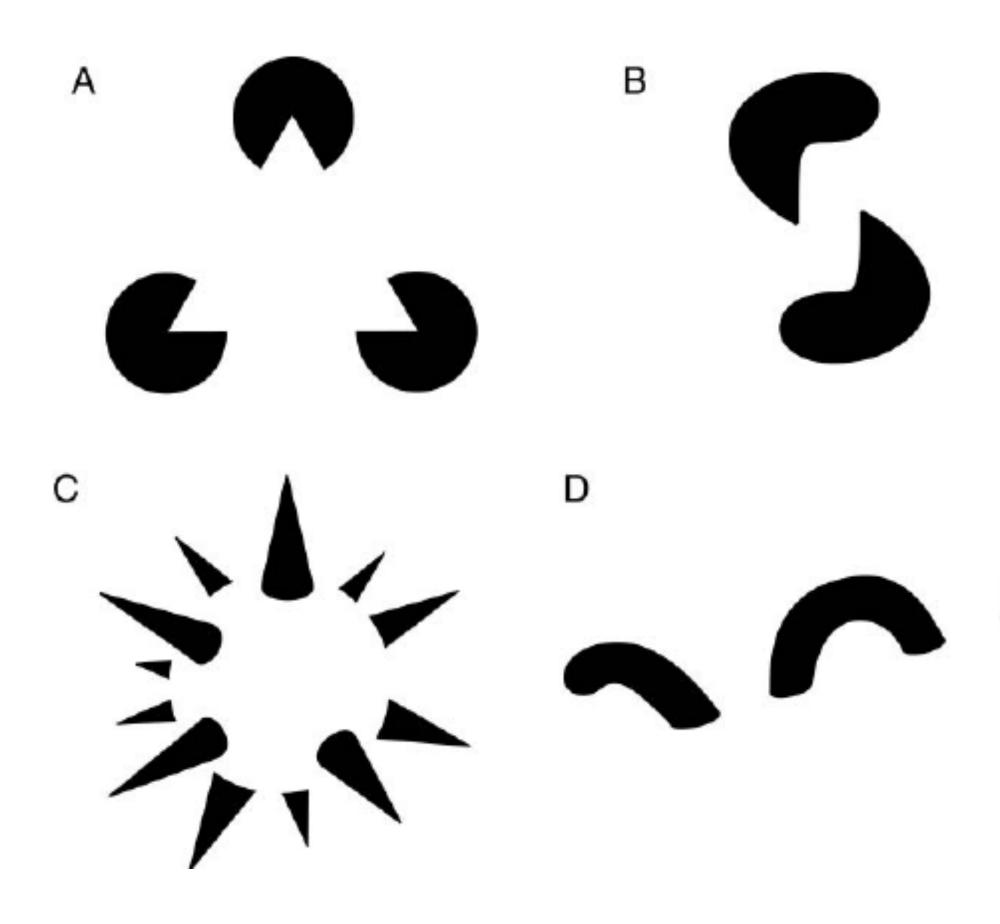


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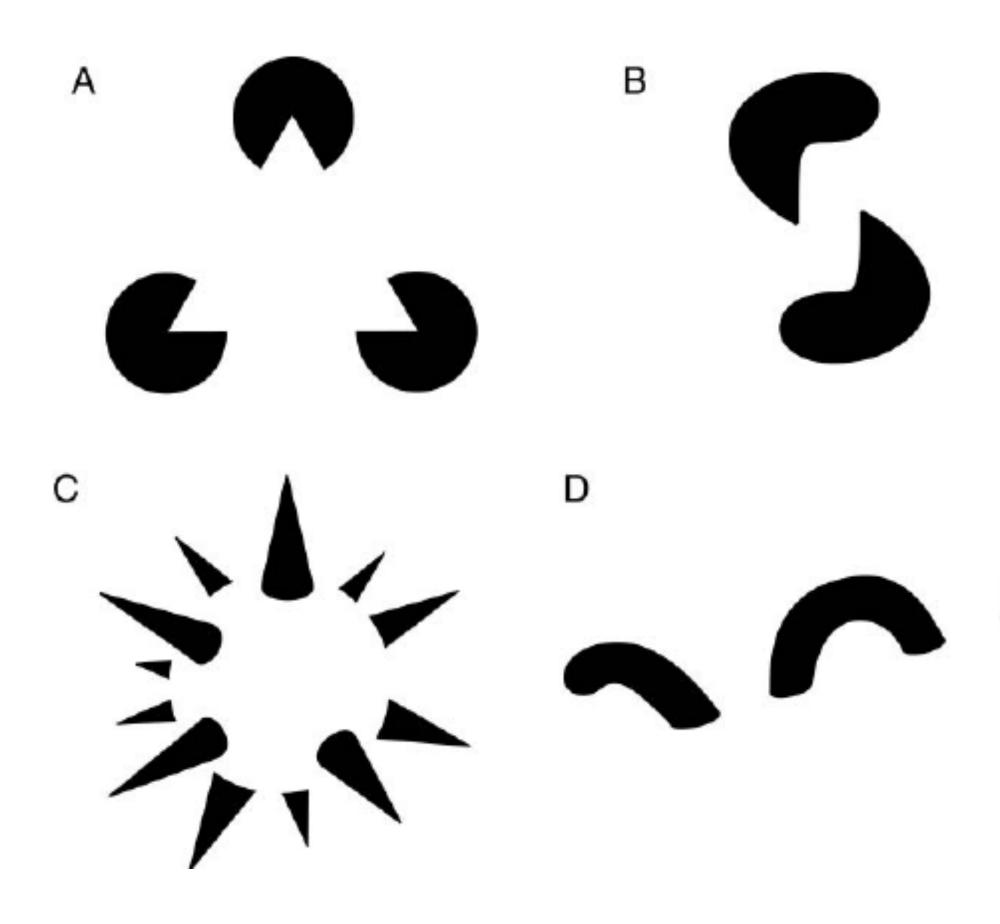
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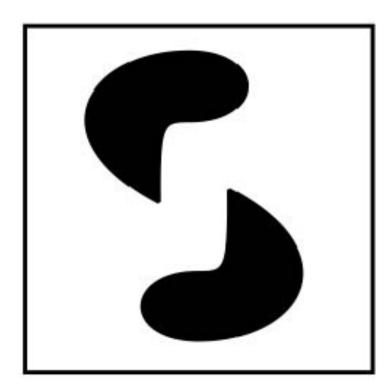


A. Kanizsa triangle
B. Tse's volumetric worm
C. Idesawa's spiky sphere
D. Tse's "sea monster"

Figure credit: Steve Lehar

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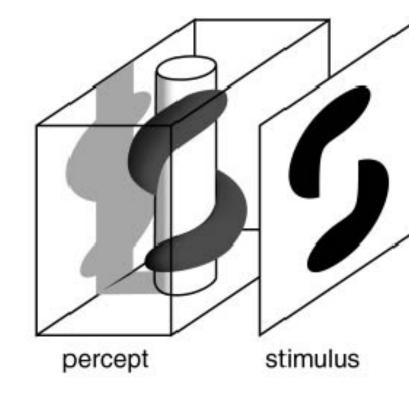


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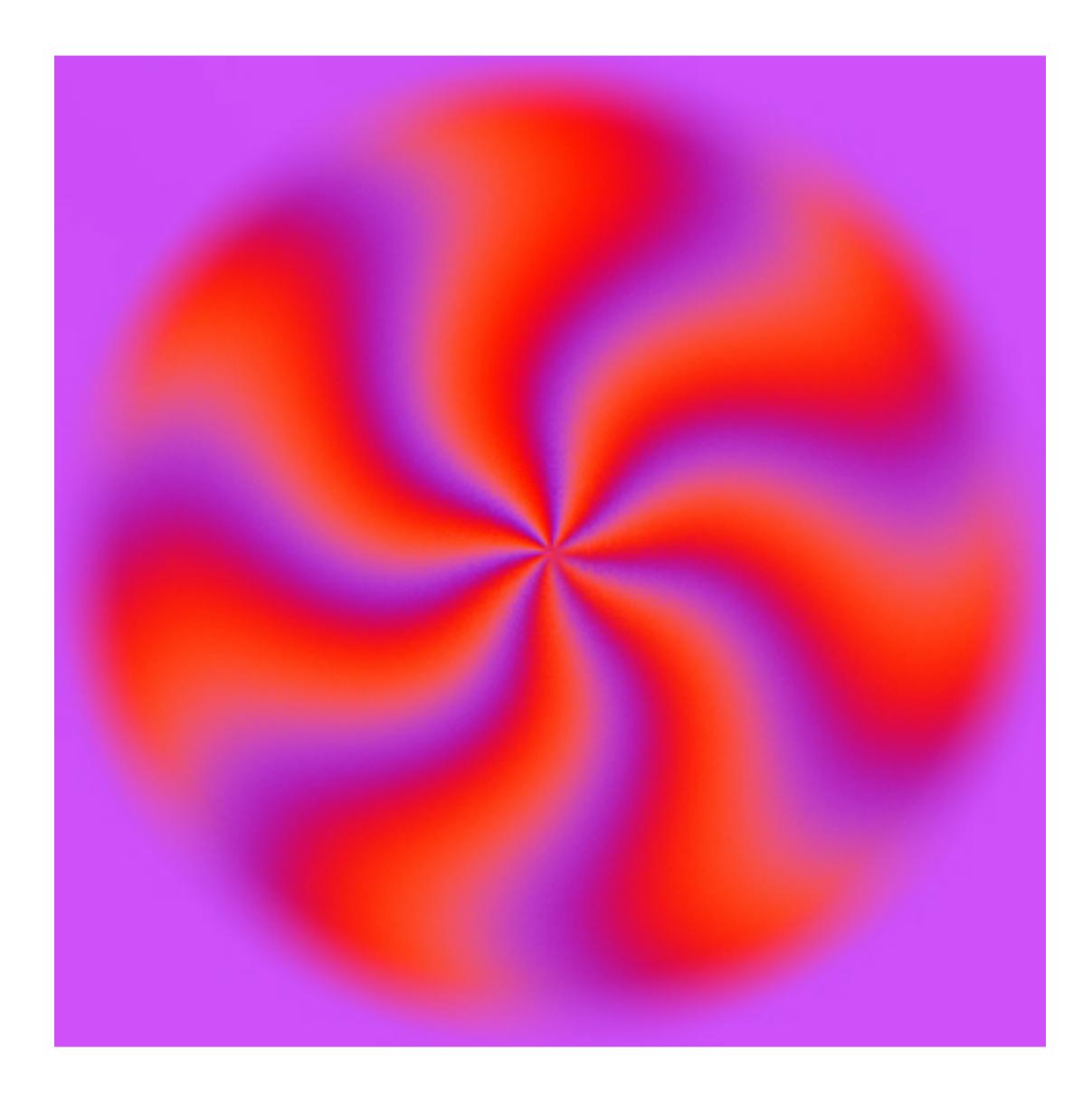
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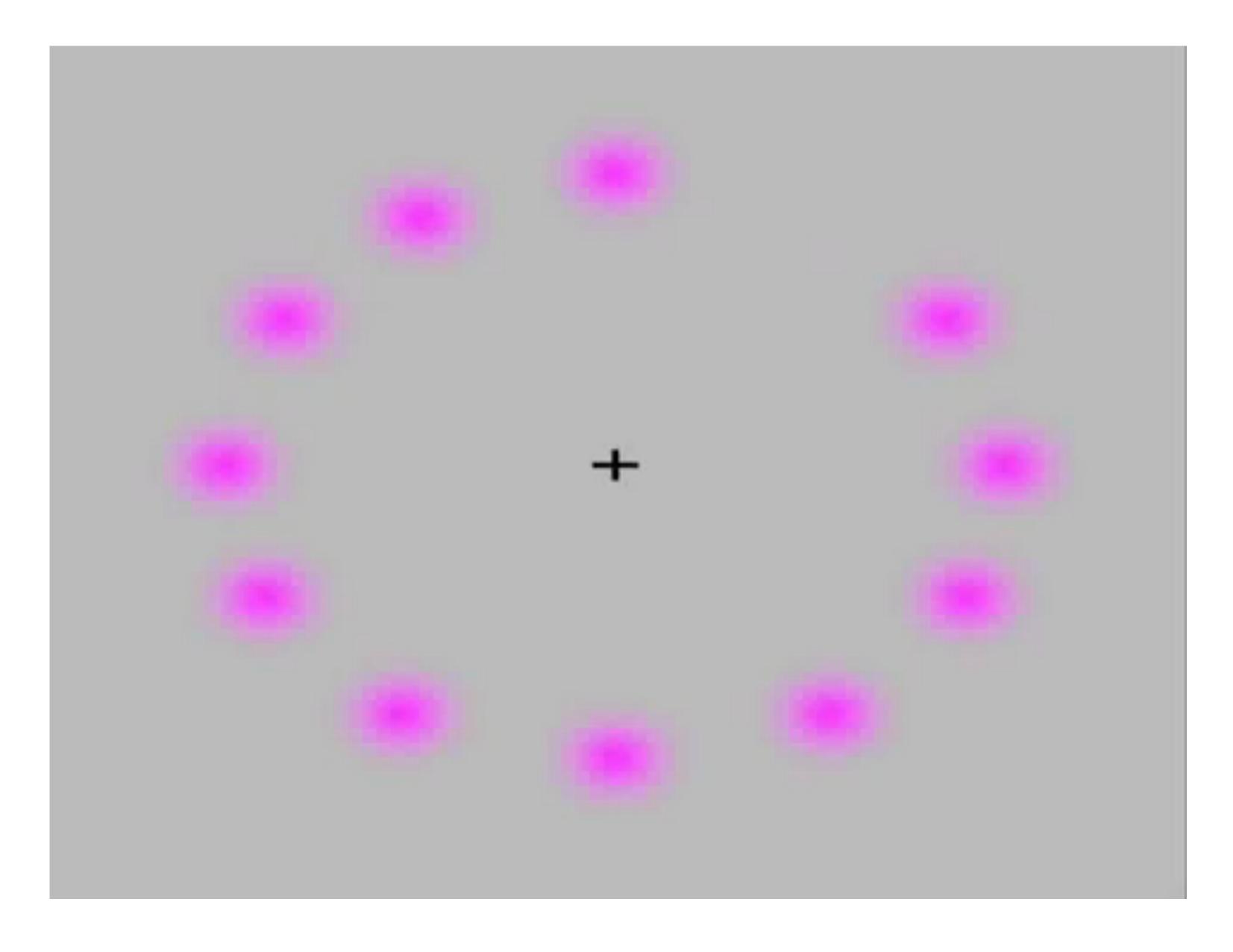




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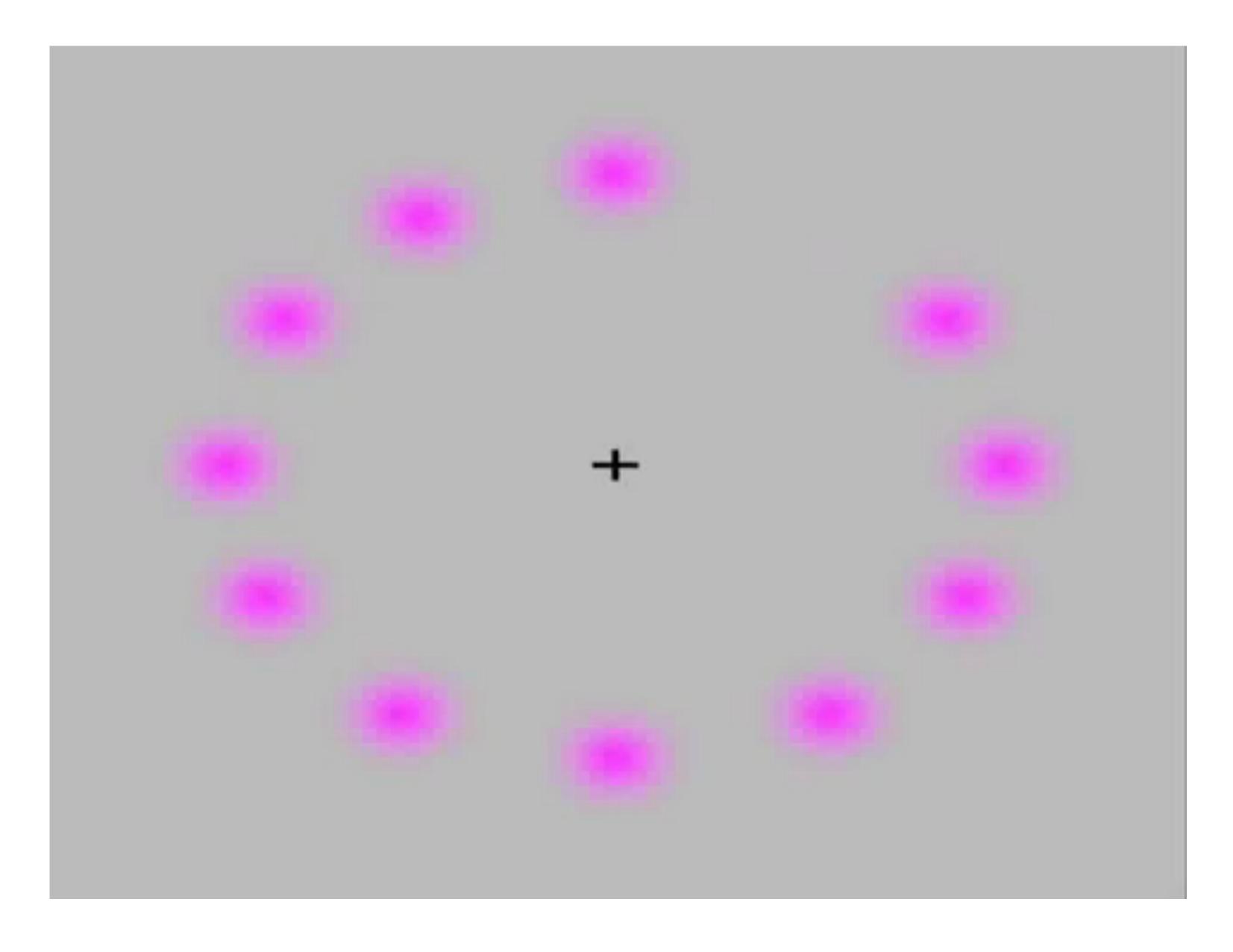




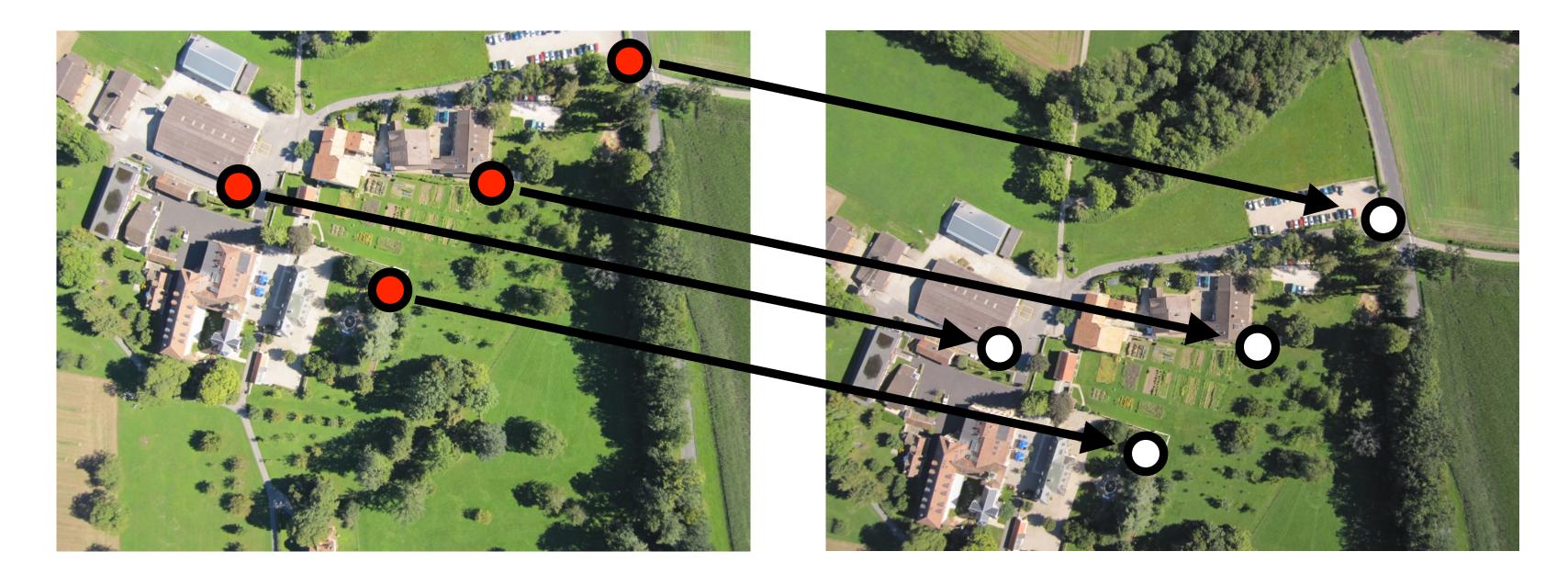
Image Alignment

Aim: Warp one image to align with another <u>using a 2D transformation</u>



Image Alignment

Step 1: Find correspondences (matching points) across two images



$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}$

2 points for Similarity3 for Affine4 for Homography

Image Alignment

Step 2: Compute the transformation to align the two images



RANSAC (**RAN**dom **SA**mple **C**onsensus)

- sample)
- Size of consensus set is model's **support**
- 3. Repeat for N samples; model with biggest support is most robust fit
 - Points within distance t of best model are inliers
 - Fit final model to all inliers

RANSAC is very useful for variety of applications

1. Randomly choose minimal subset of data points necessary to fit model (a

2. Points within some distance threshold, t, of model are a **consensus set**.

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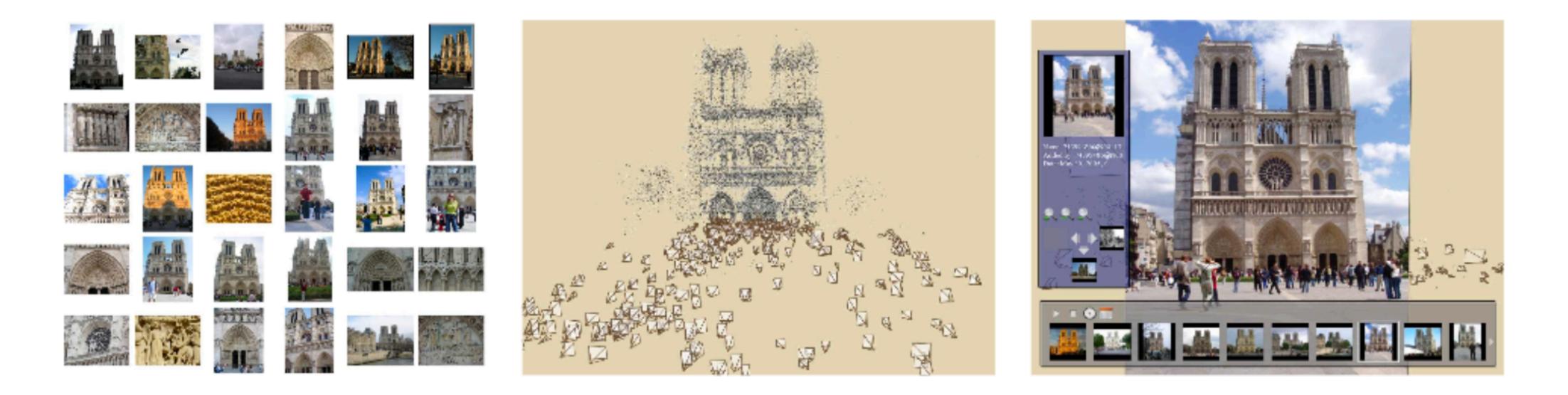
2-view Rotation Estimation

Final rotation estimation





Example: Photo Tourism



Takes as input unstructured collections of photographs and reconstructs each photo's viewpoint and a sparse 3D model of the scene

Uses both SIFT and RANSAC

Figure credit: Snavely et al. 2006

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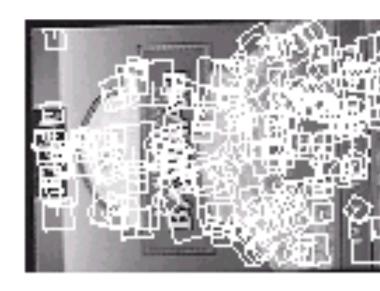


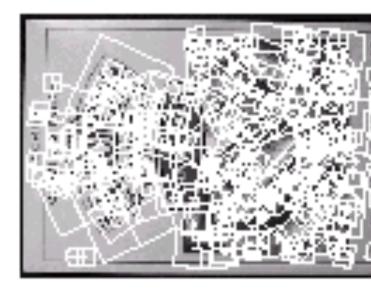
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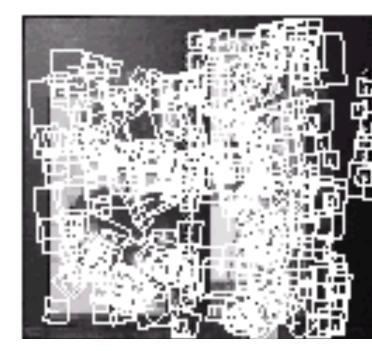


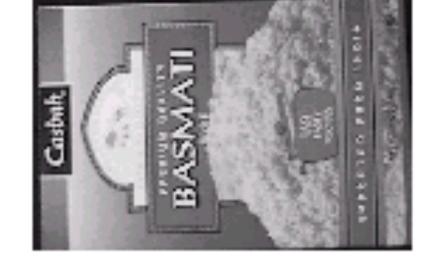
Object Instance Recognition

Database of planar objects













Instance recognition





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Discussion of RANSAC

Advantages:

- General method suited for a wide range of model fitting problems - Easy to implement and easy to calculate its failure rate

Disadvantages:

- Only handles a moderate percentage of outliers without cost blowing up Many real problems have high rate of outliers (but sometimes selective)
- choice of random subsets can help)
- Hard to deal with multiple solutions (e.g., object detection with many objects)

The **Hough transform** can handle high percentage of outliers

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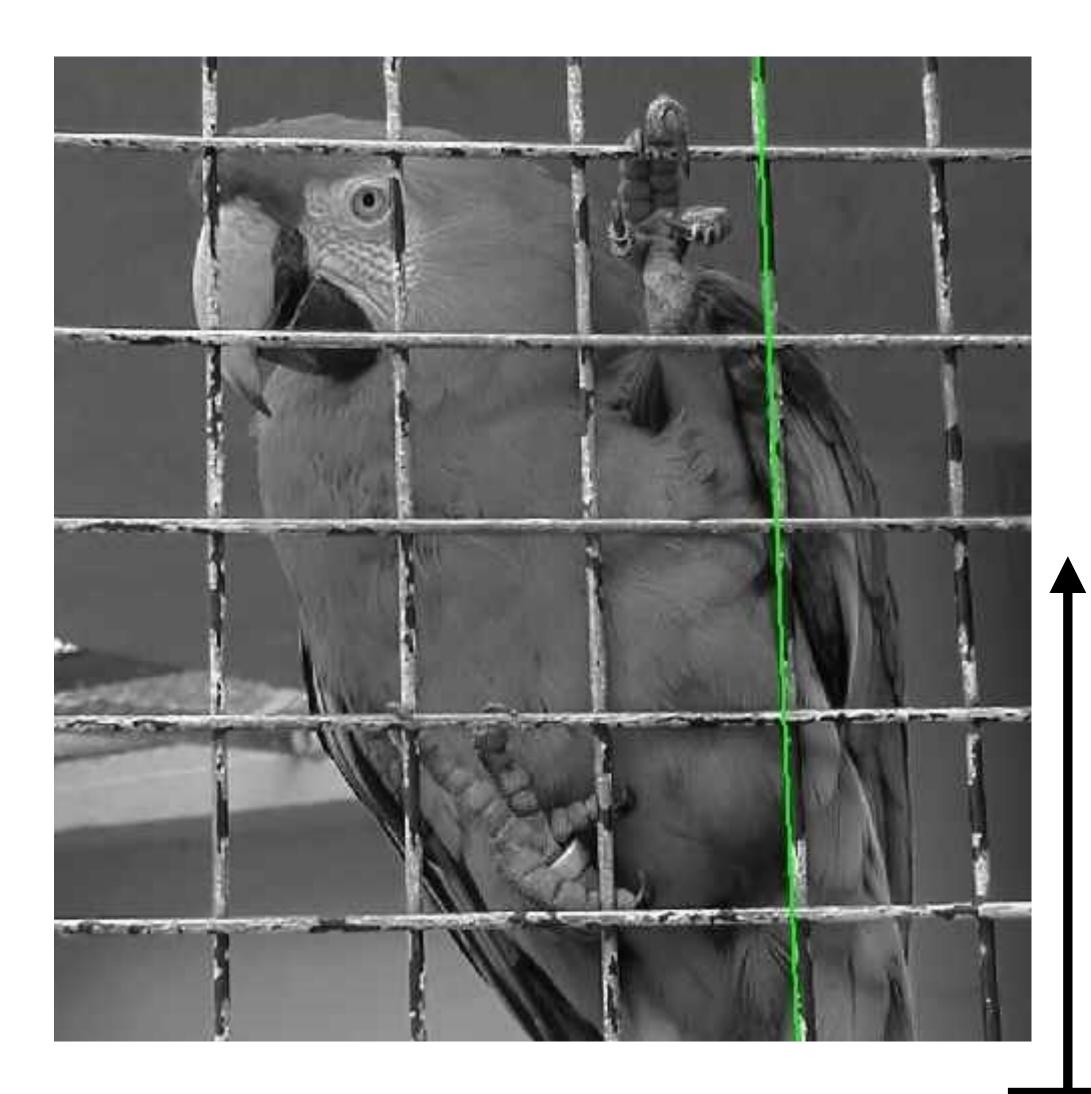
Hough Transform: Motivation



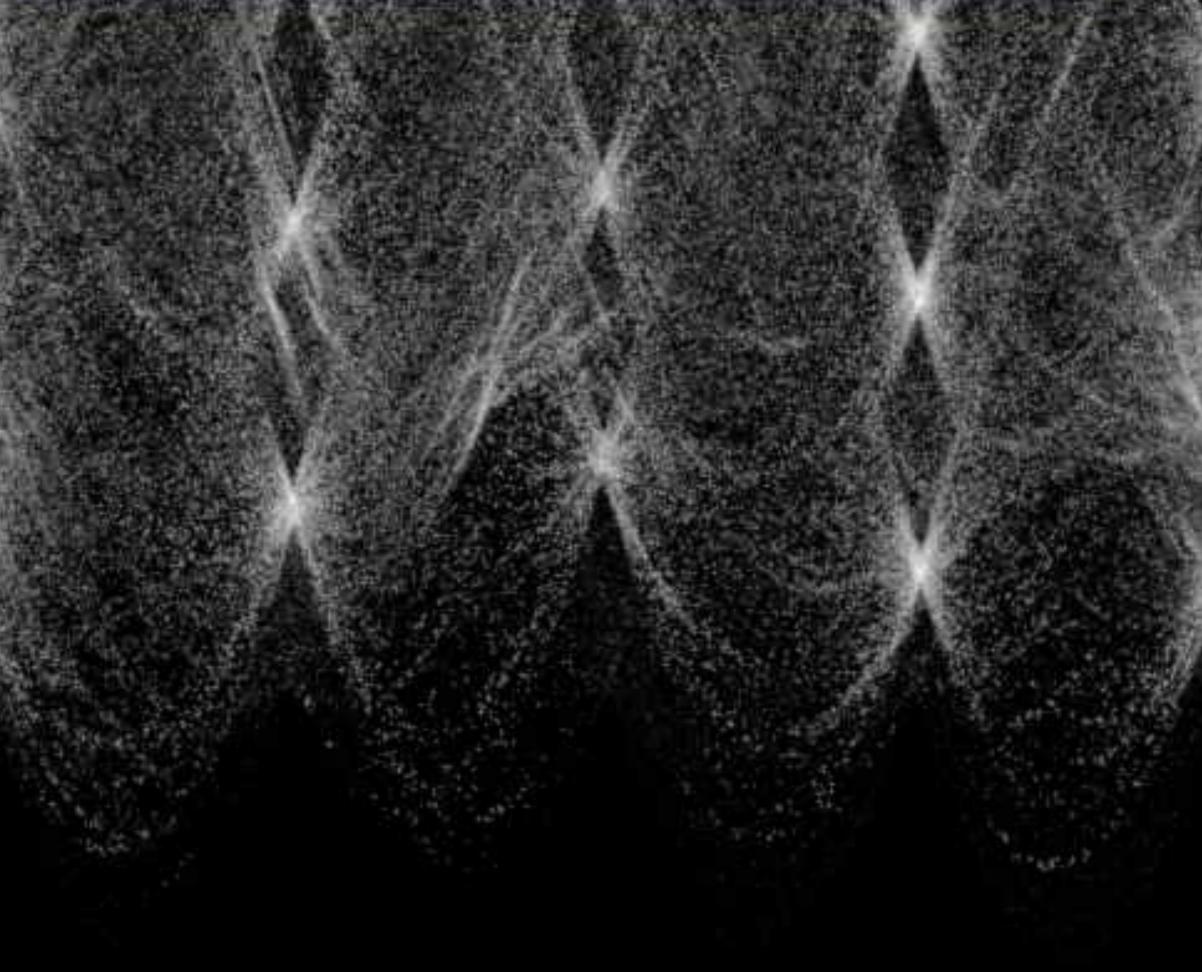
How to find lines in this image?

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Hough Transform: Motivation



Votes / Probability Distribution



Space of 2D Image Lines



Hough Transform

Idea of **Hough transform**:

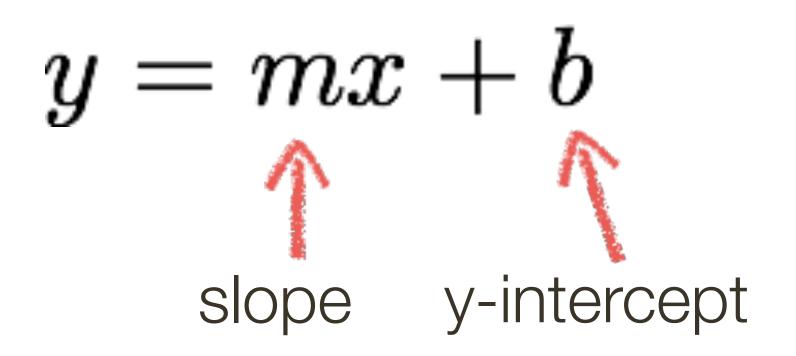
— For each token / data point vote for all models to which it could belong

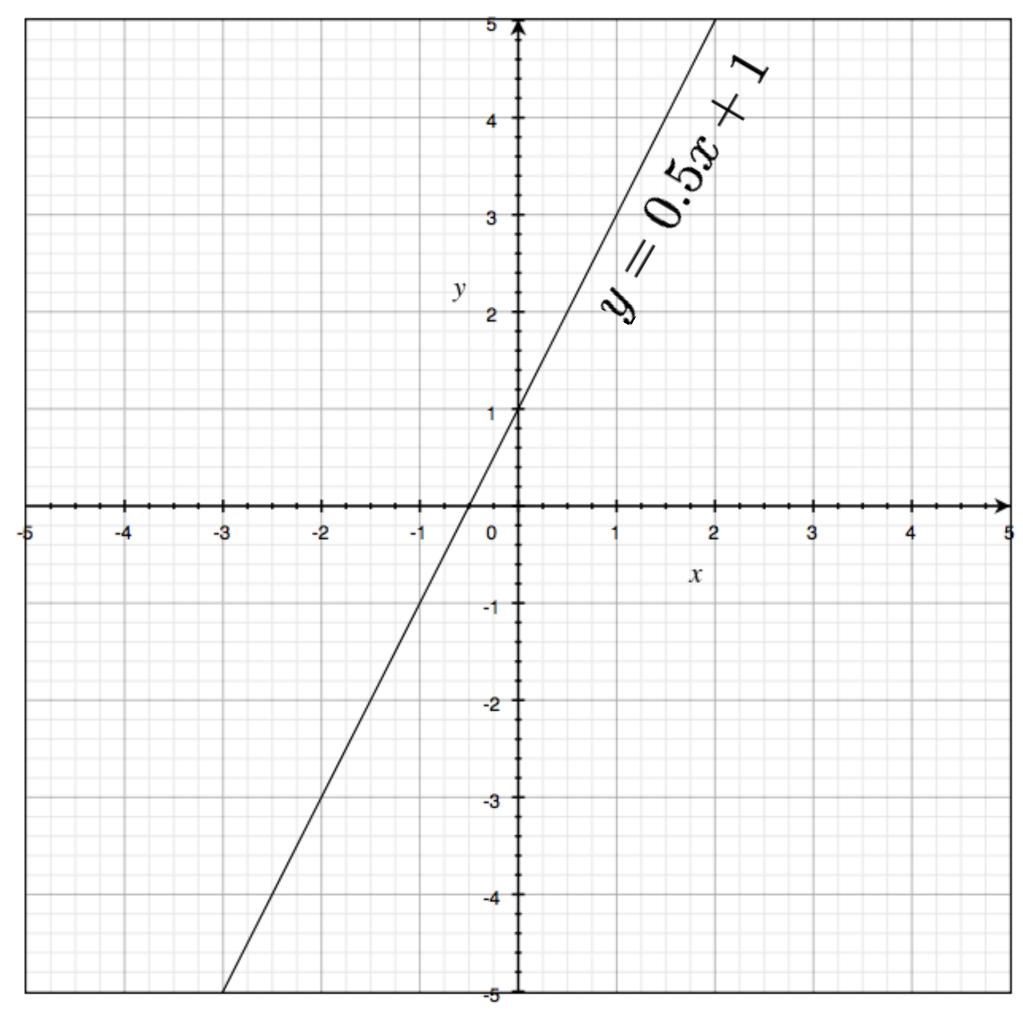
Example: For each point, vote for all lines that could pass through it; the true lines will pass through many points and so receive many votes

c.f. RANSAC which optimizes a single hypothesis by maximizing the number of inliers (though modifications exist to find multiple instances of a model)

- Return models that get many votes / distribution of possible models

Lines: Slope intercept form





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Hough Transform: Image and Parameter Space

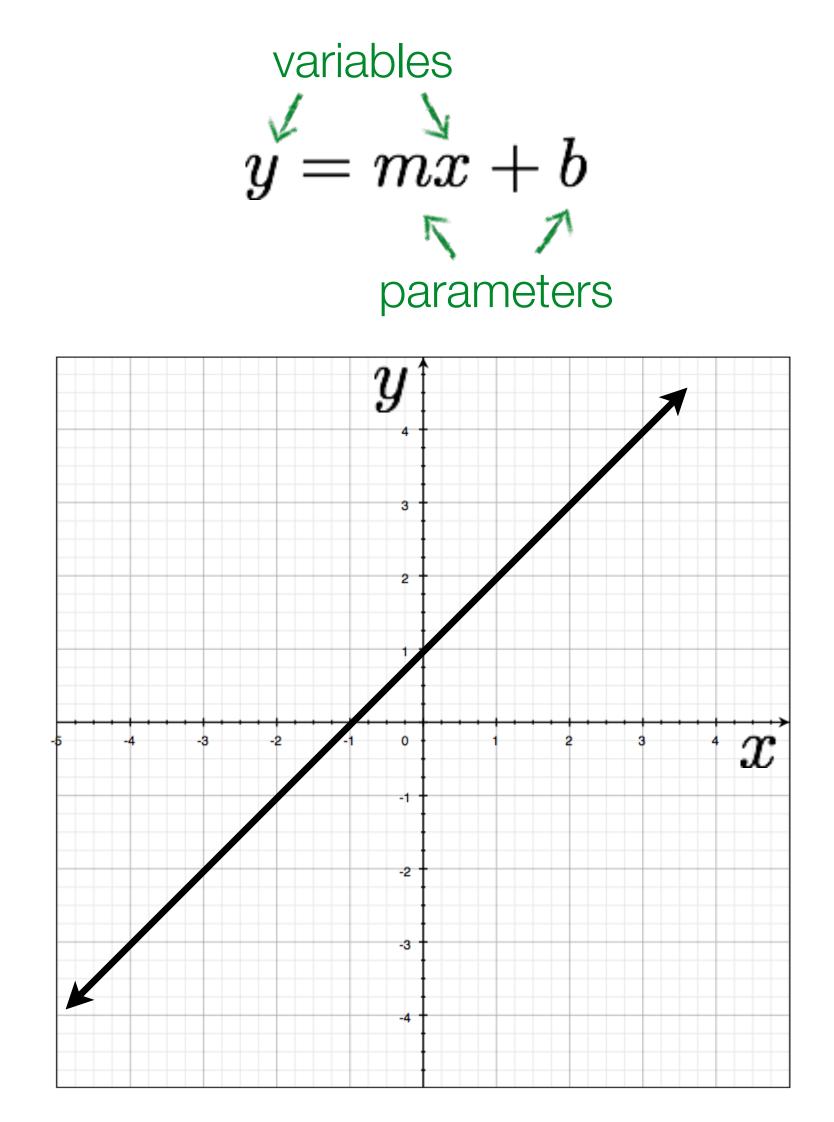


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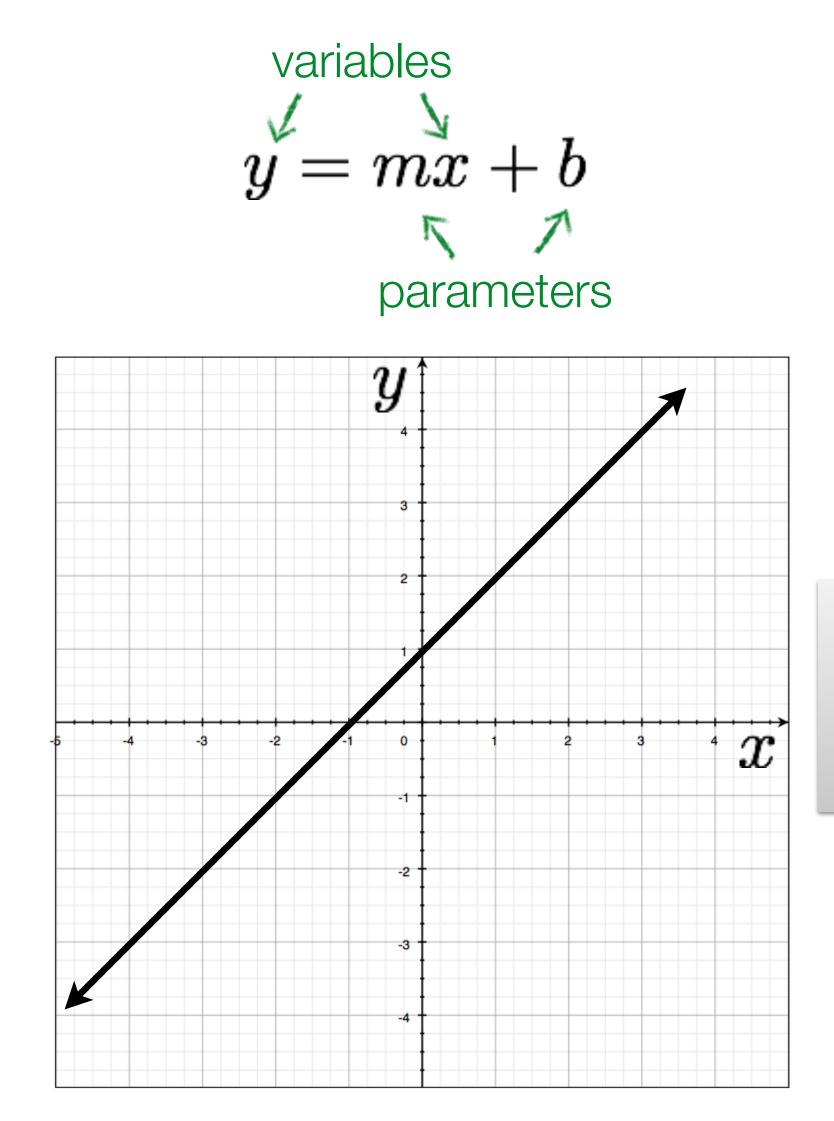


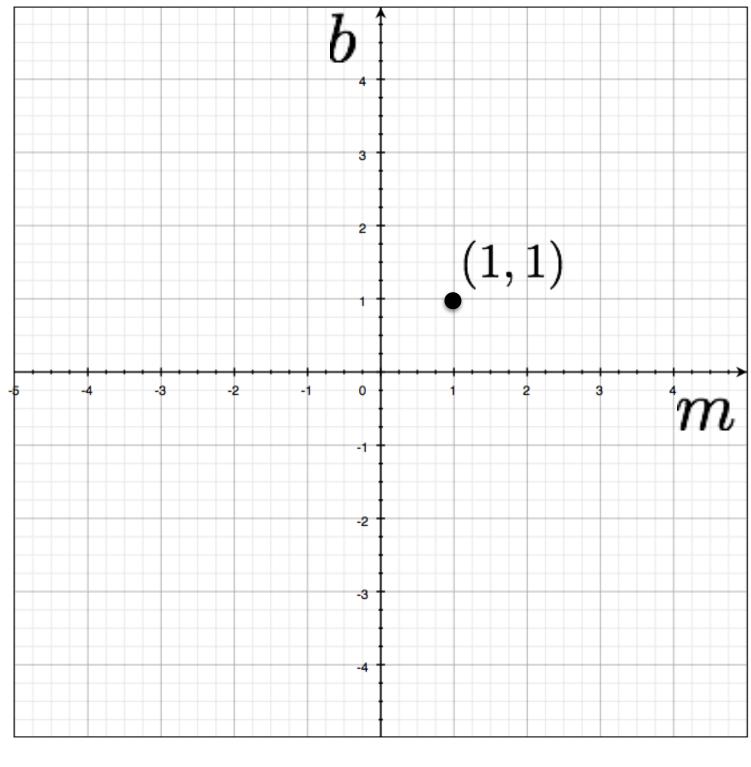
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variables

y - mx = b

parameters

a line becomes a point



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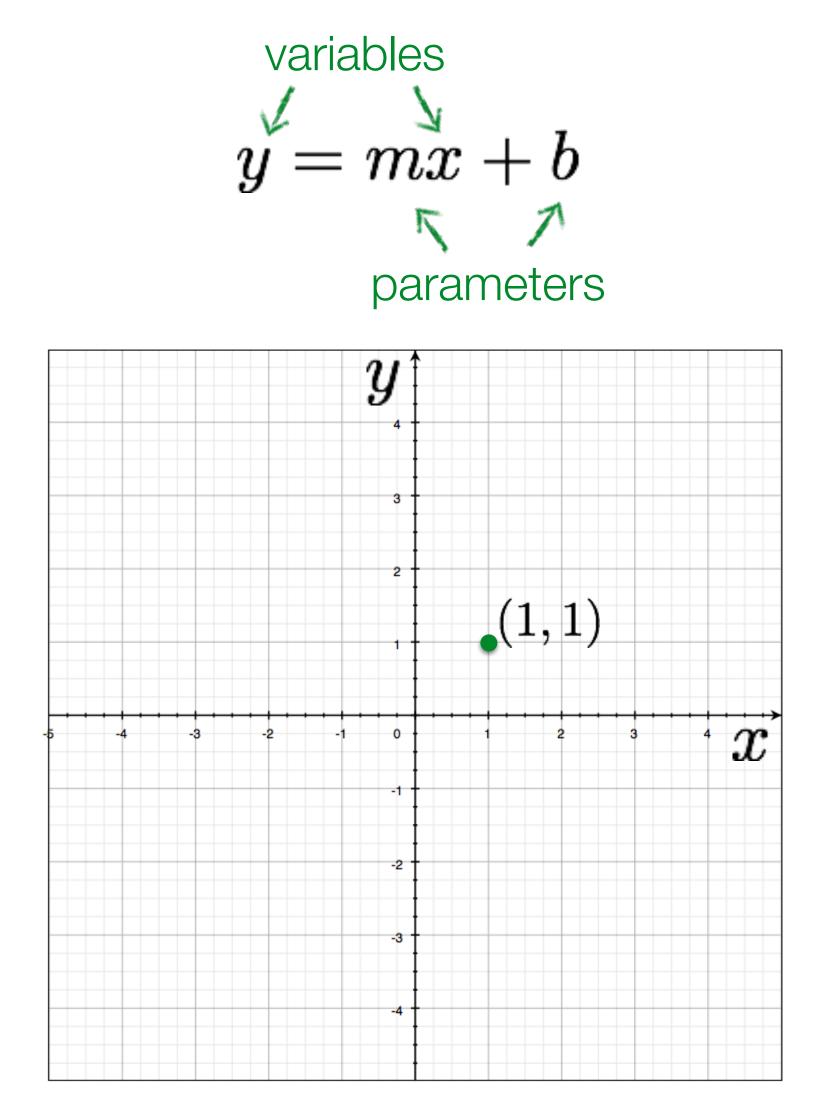


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What would a **point** in image space become in parameter space?

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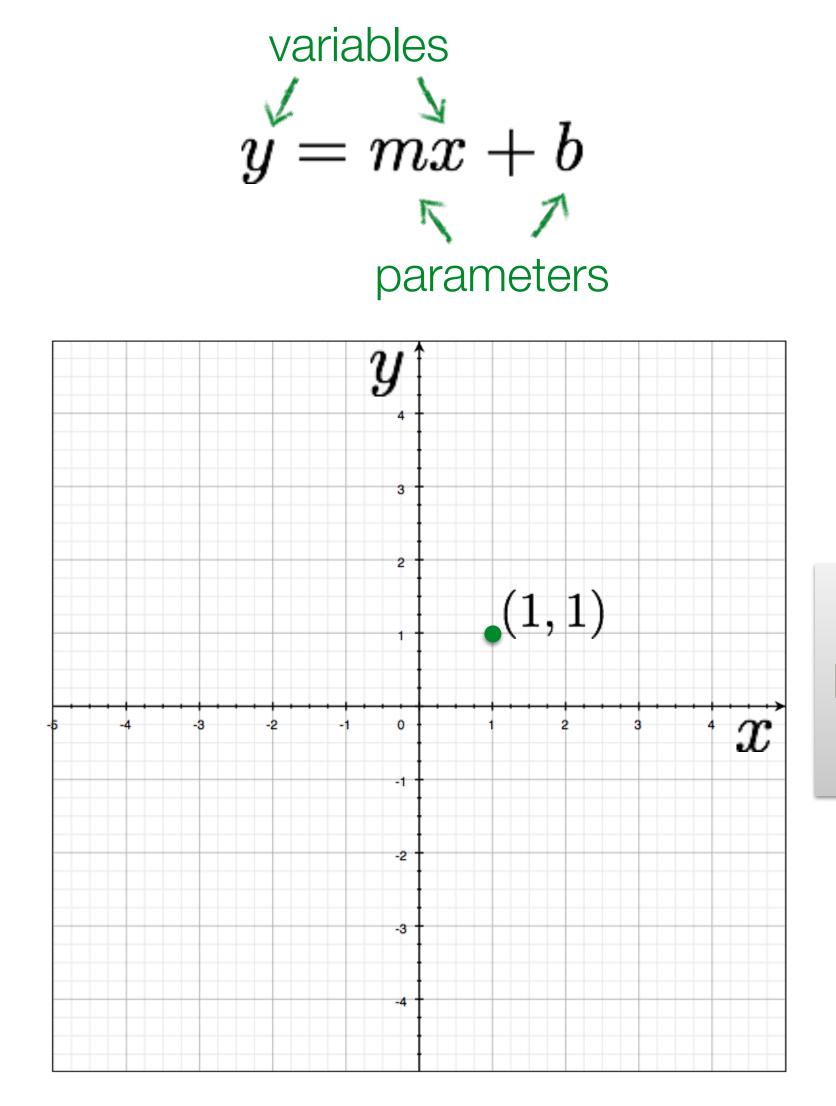
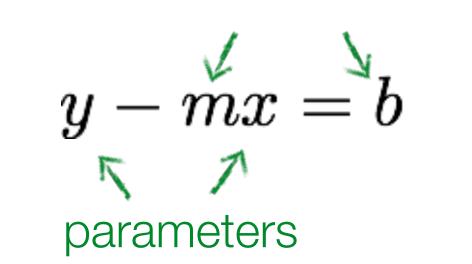
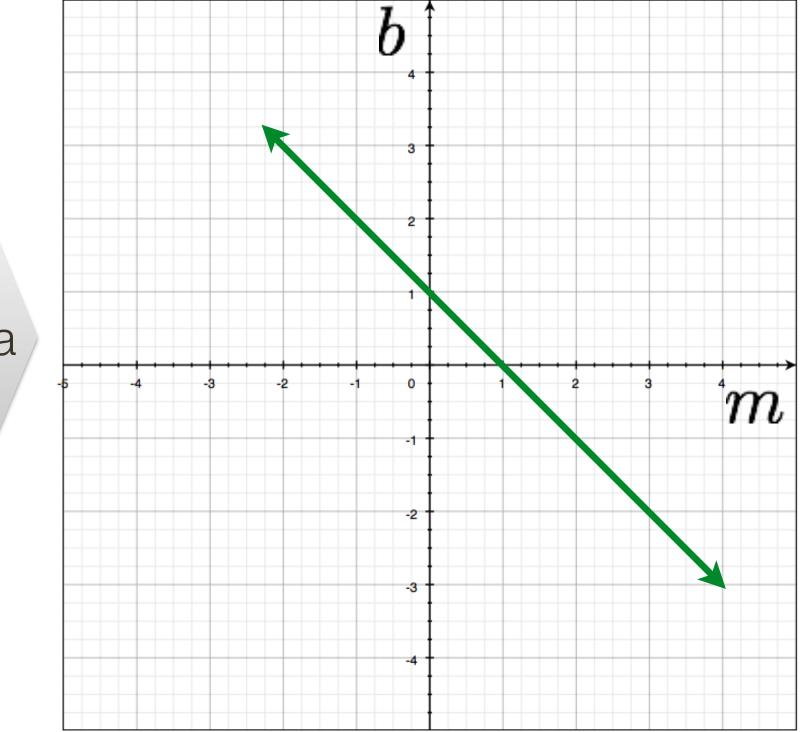


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a point becomes a line

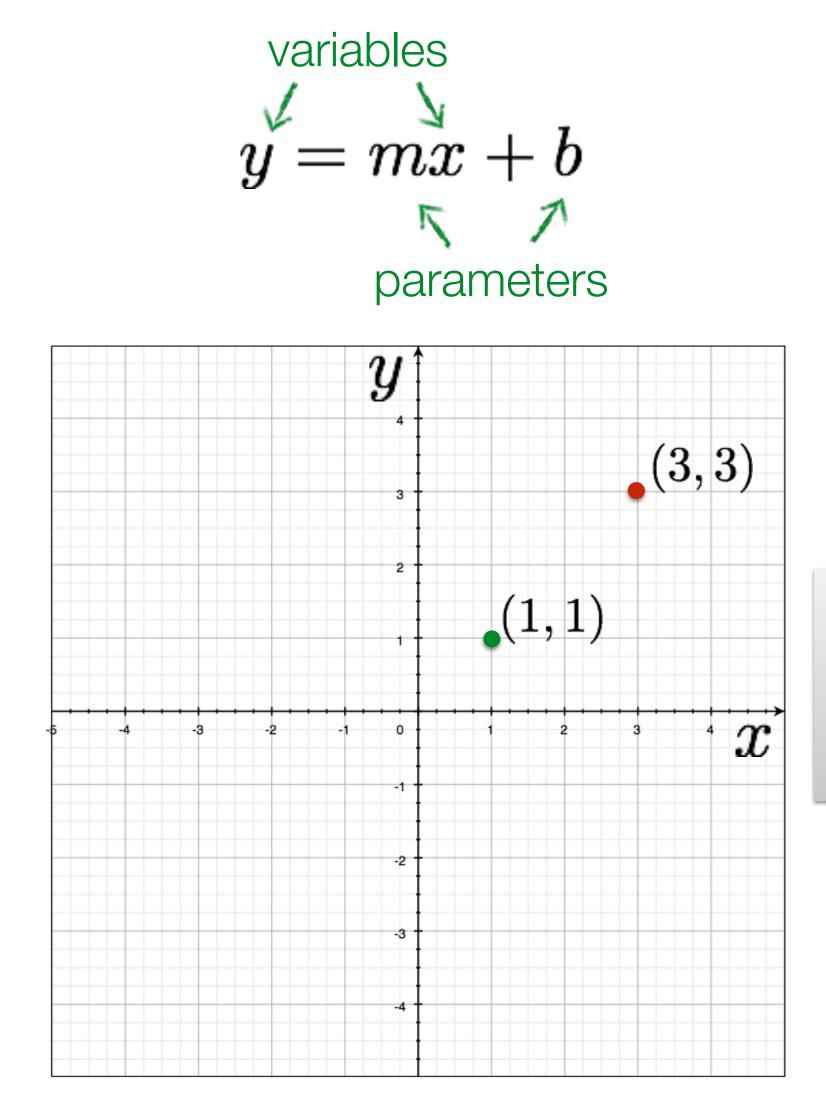


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two points?

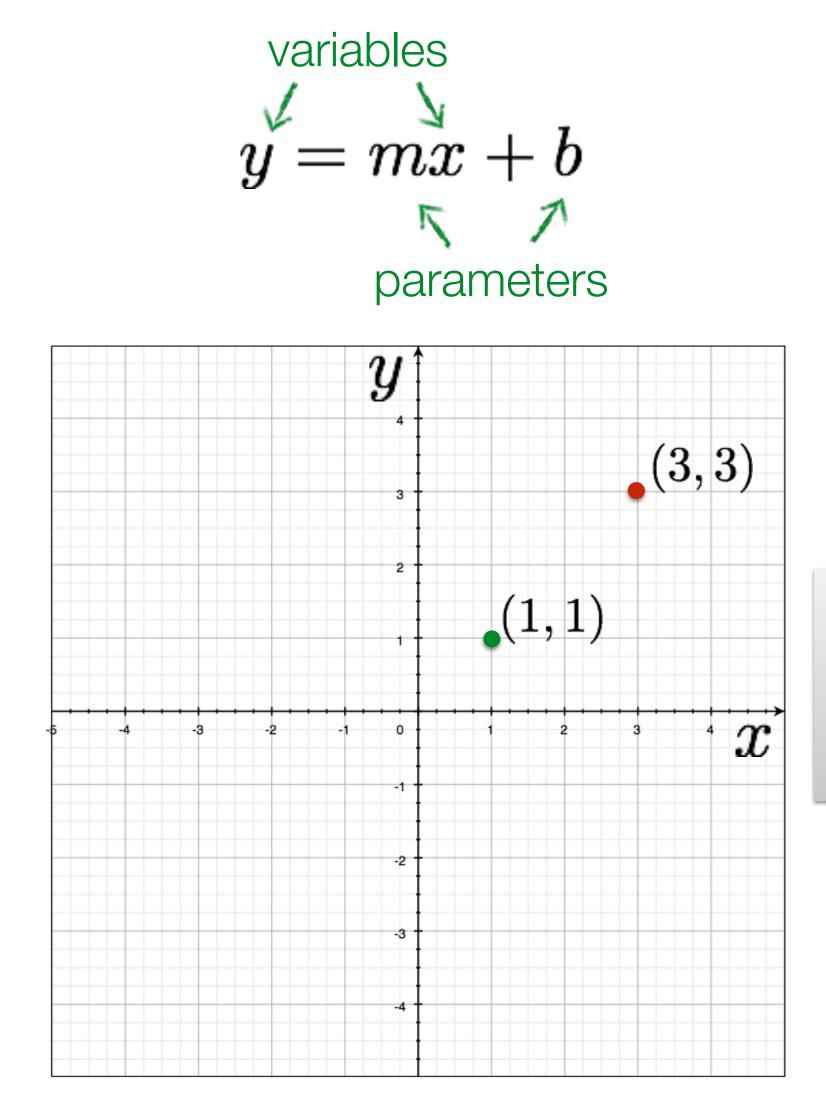
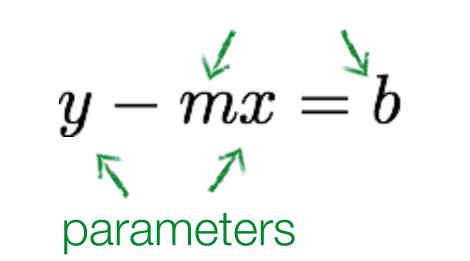
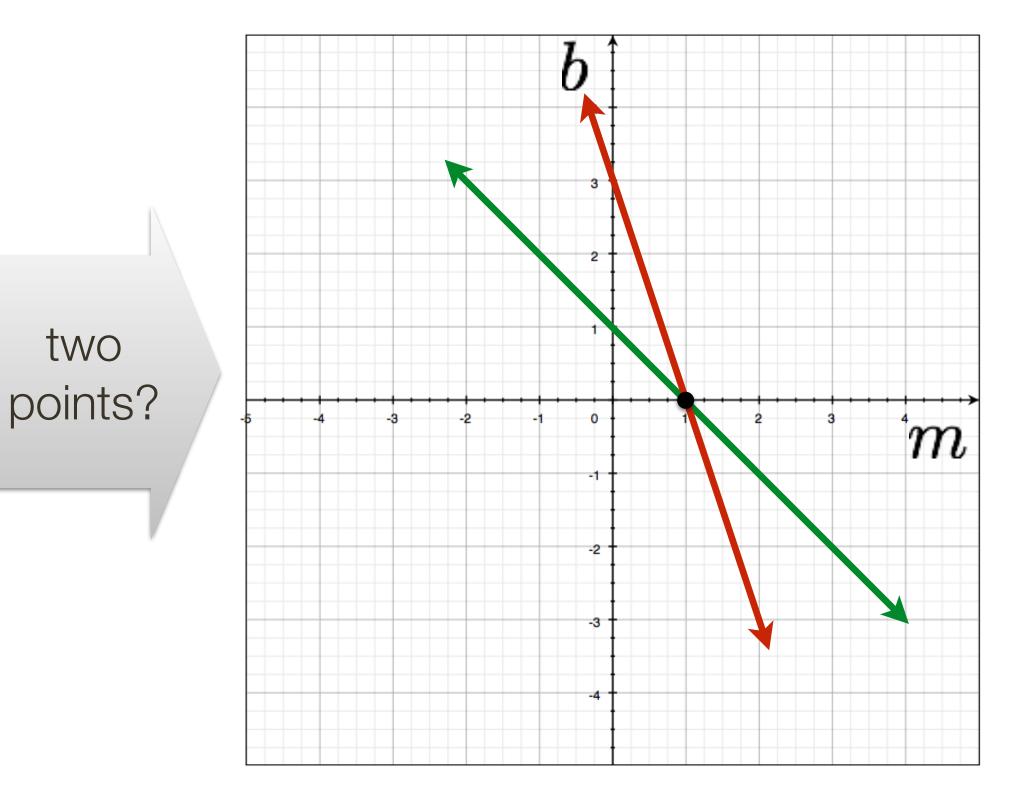


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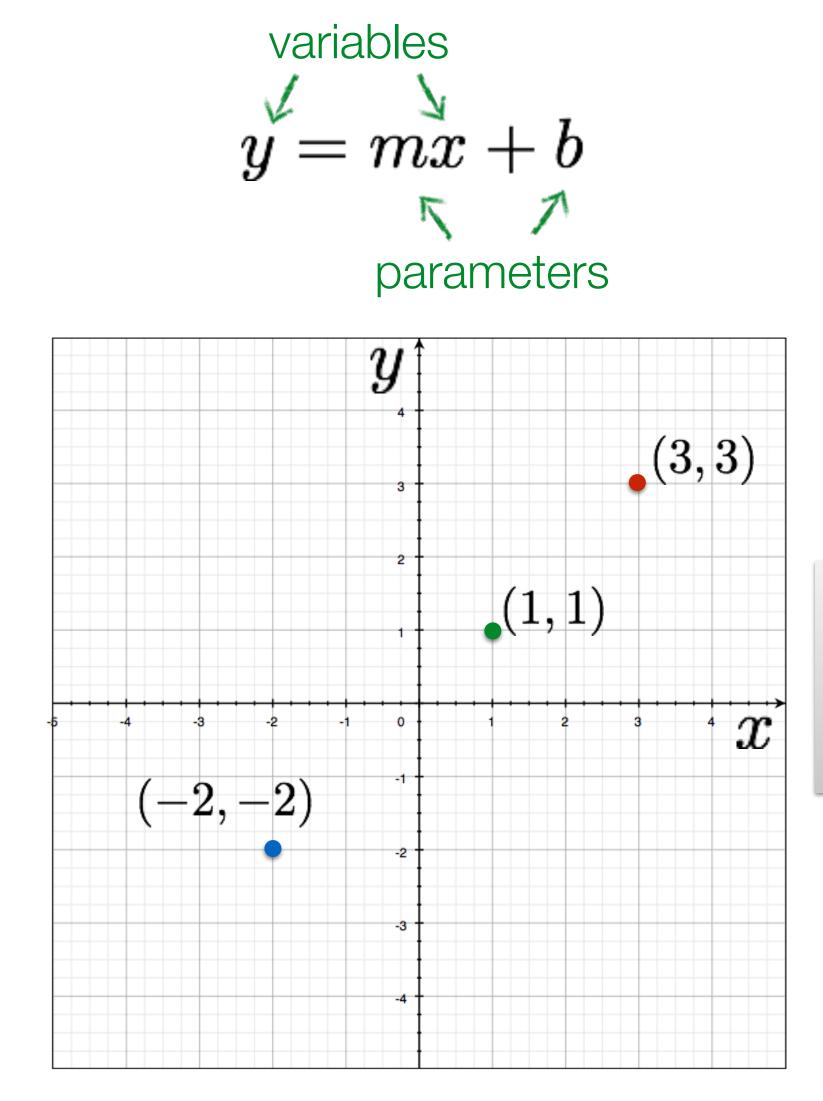
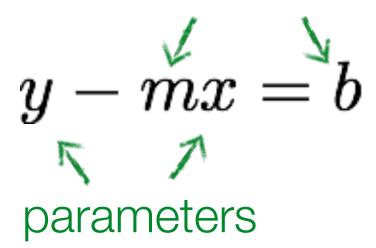
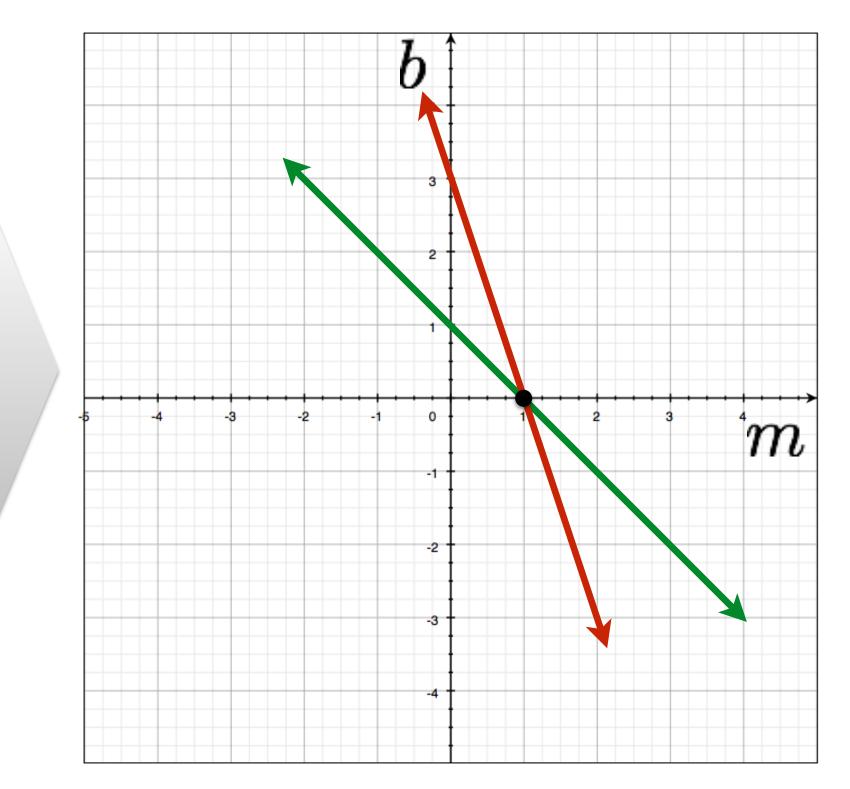


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three points?

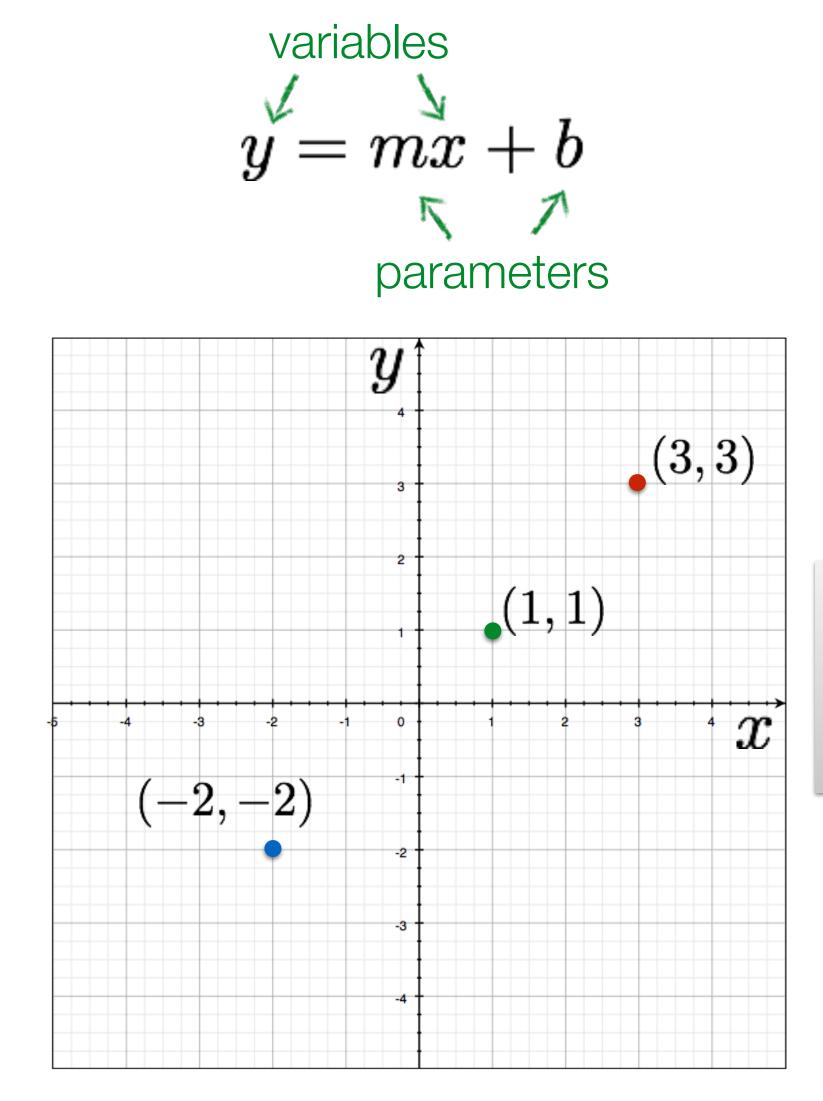
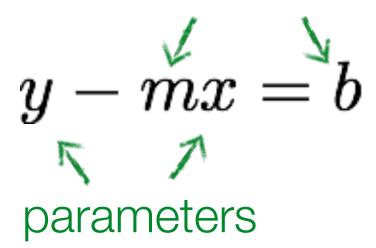
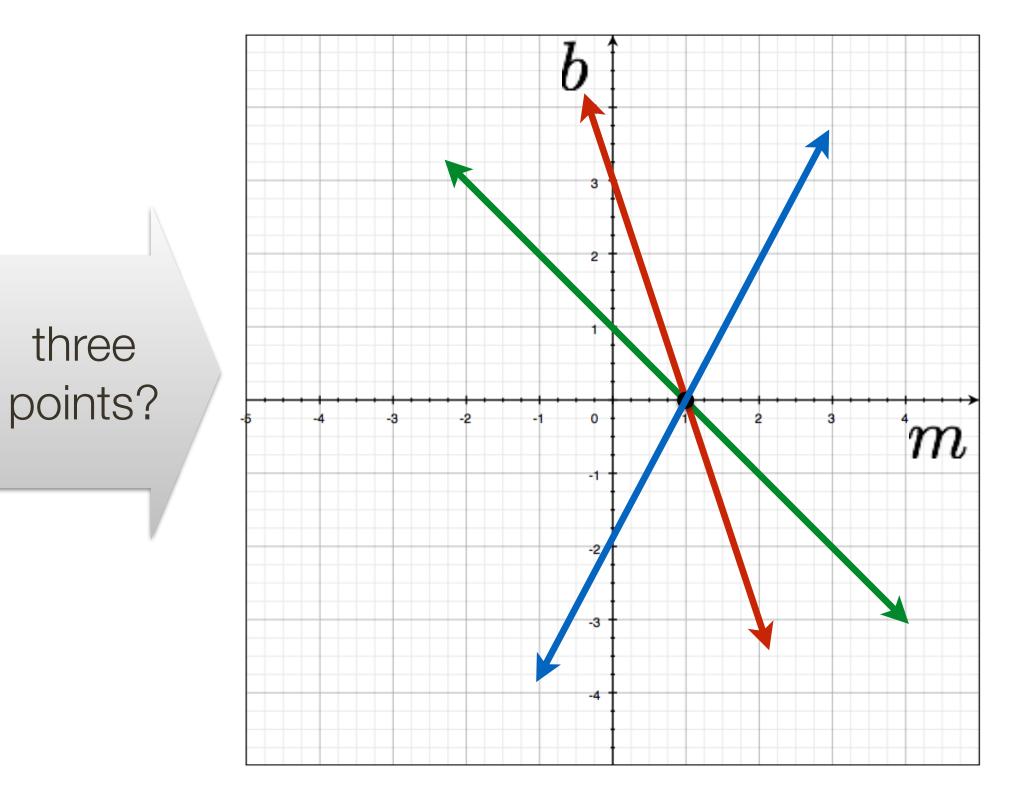


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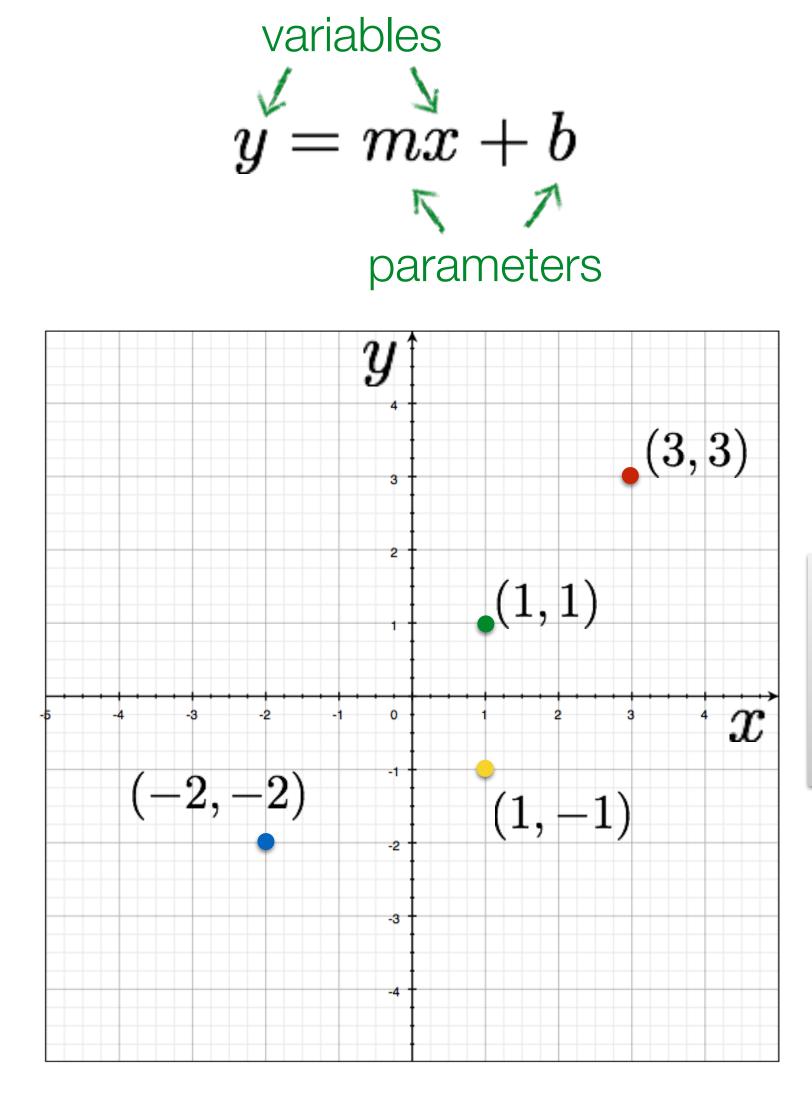
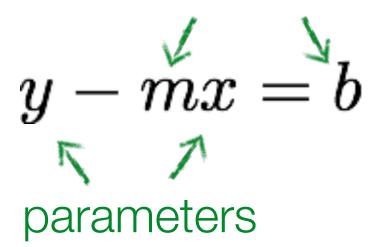
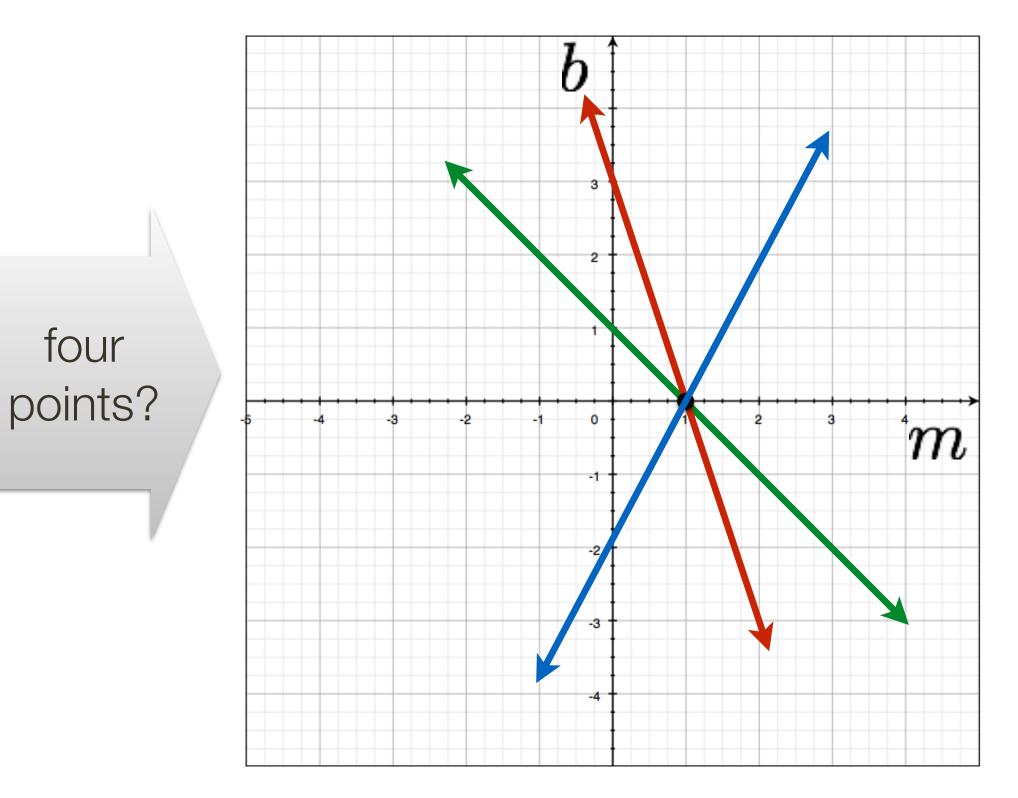


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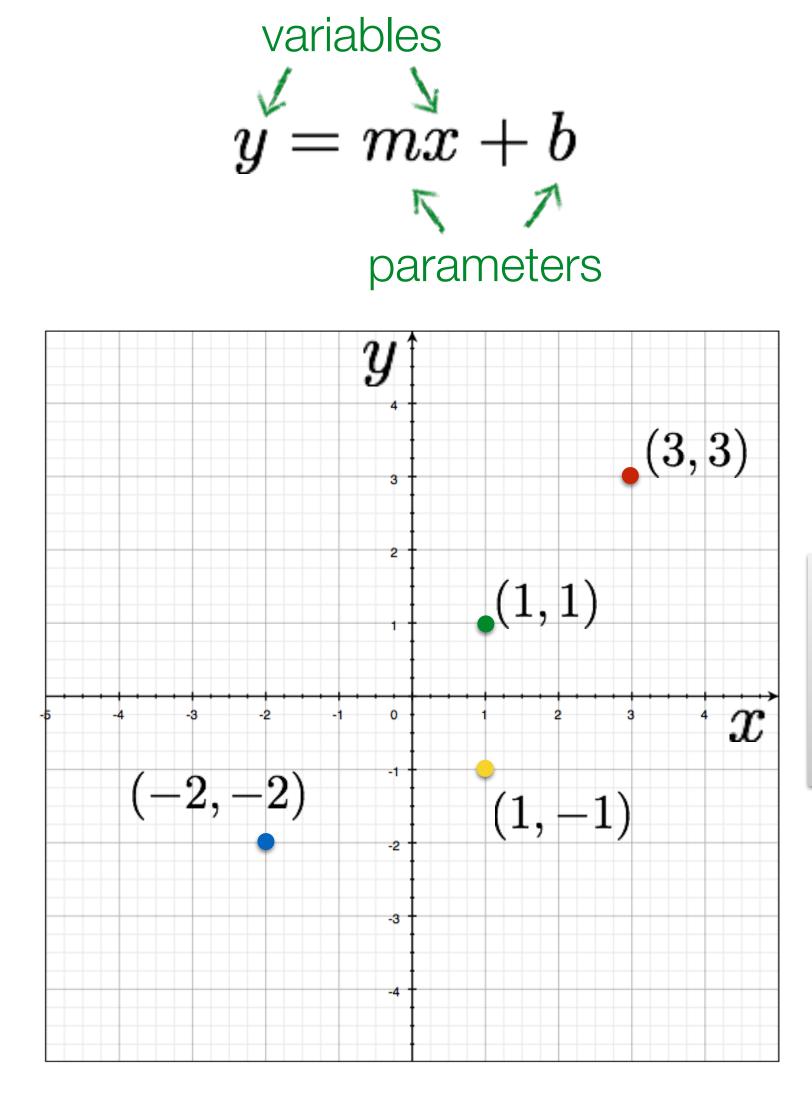
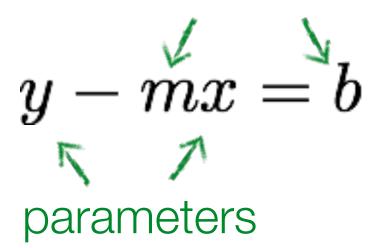
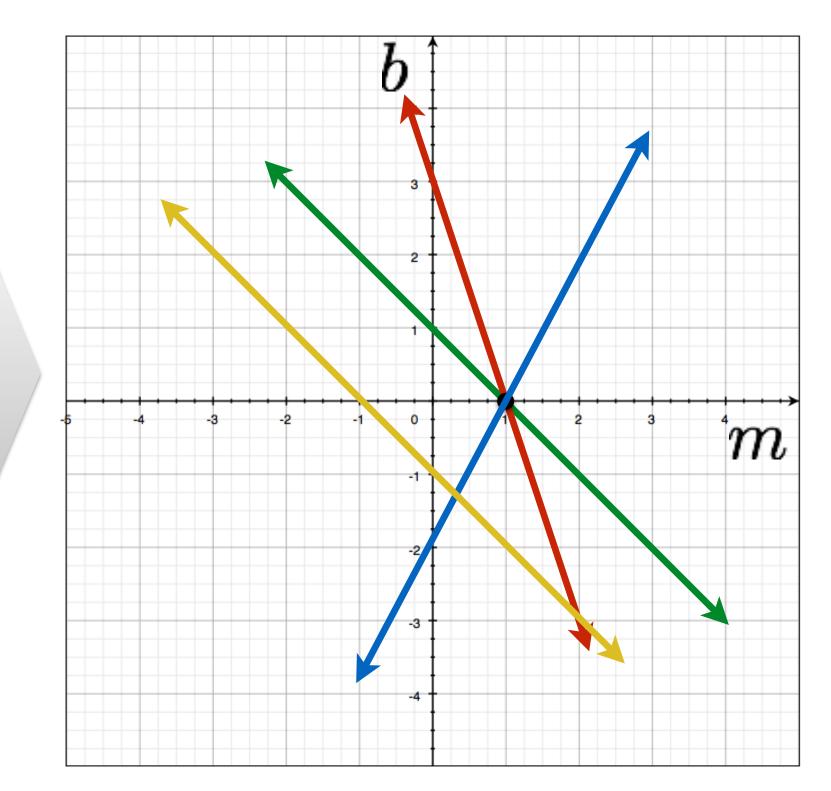


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points?

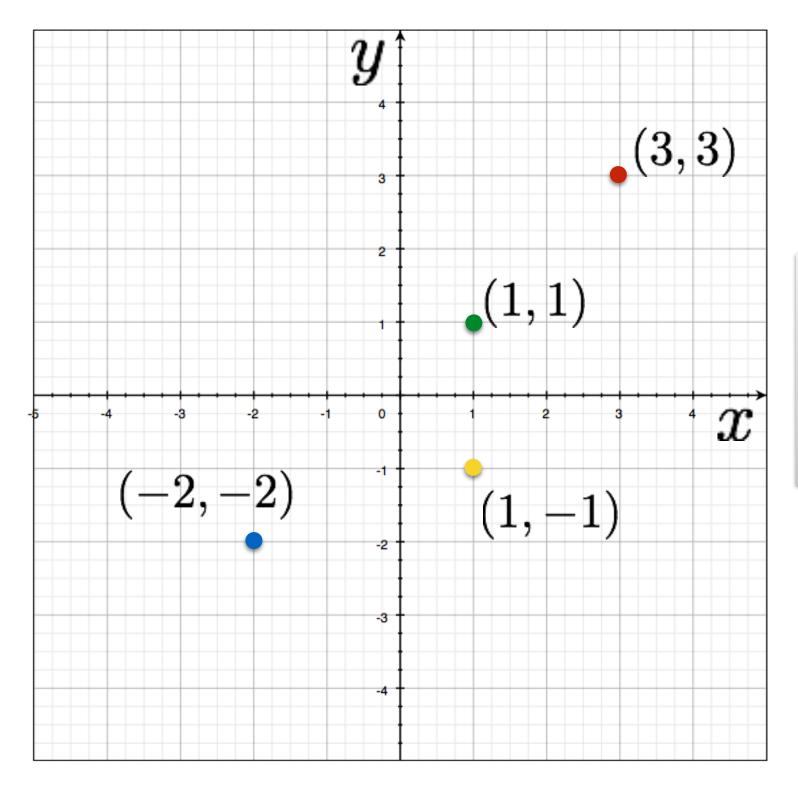
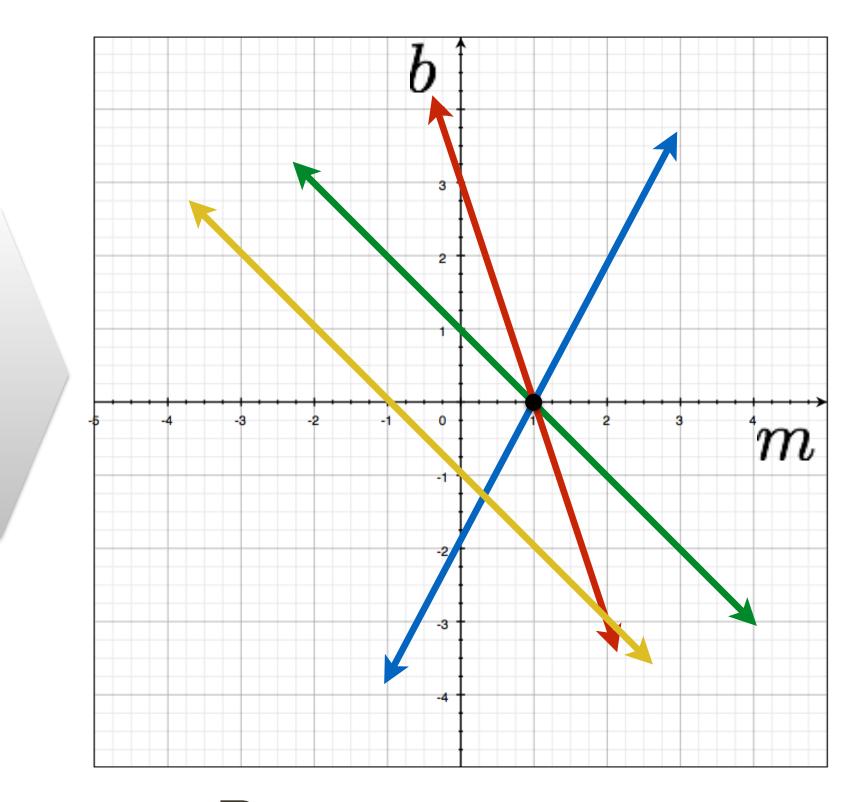


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How would you find the best fitting line?



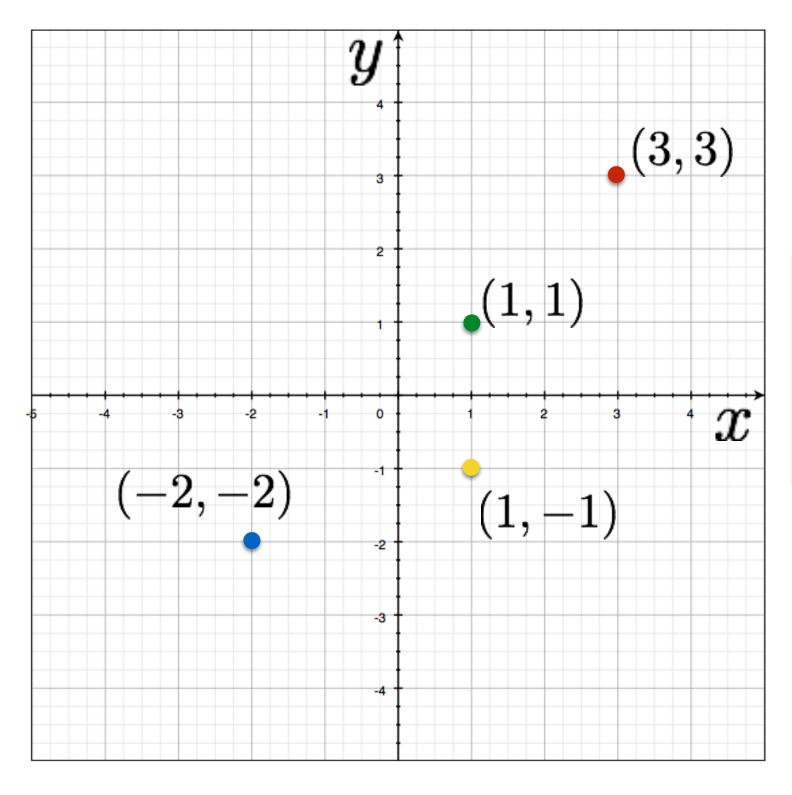
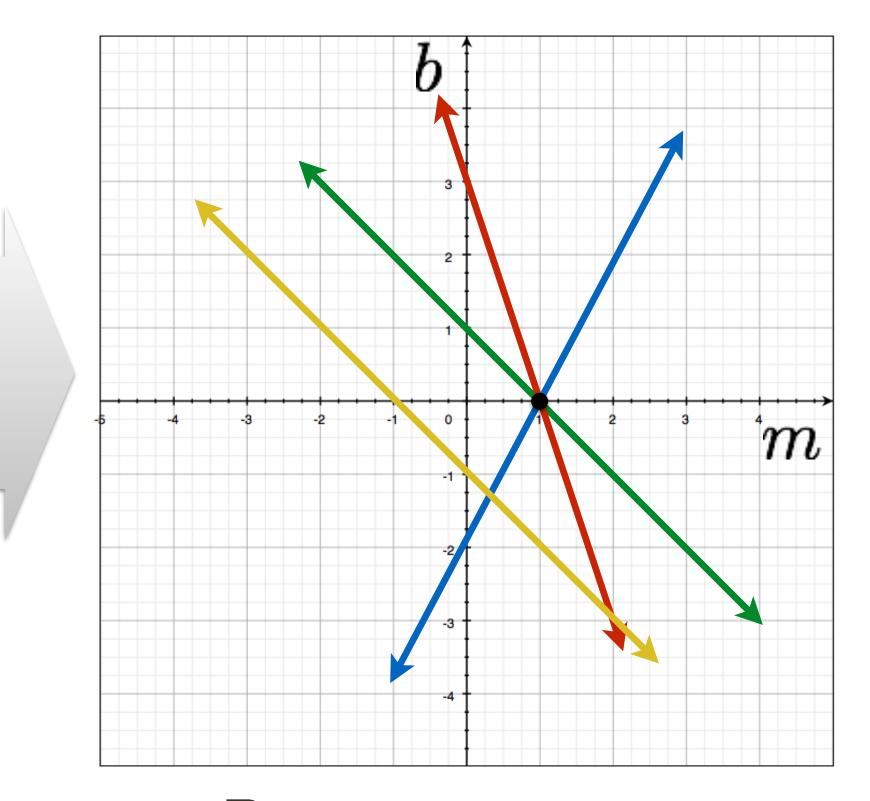


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Is this method robust to measurement noise? clutter?



Line Detection by Hough Transform

Algorithm:

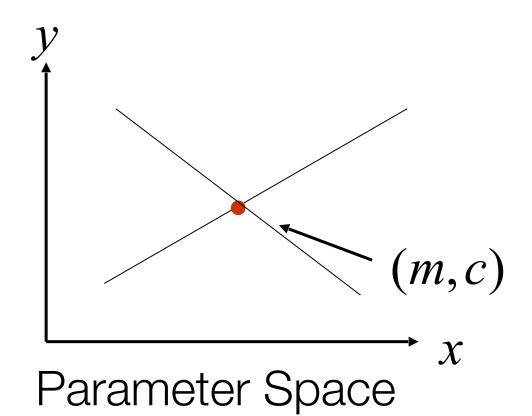
- 1.Quantize Parameter Space(m,c)
- 2.Create Accumulator Array A(m,c)
- 3.Set $A(m,c) = 0 \quad \forall m,c$
- 4. For each image edge (x_i, y_i) For each element in A(m)If (m,c) lies on the lin Increment A(m,c) = A(m)

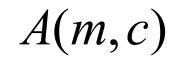
5. Find local maxima in A(m,c)

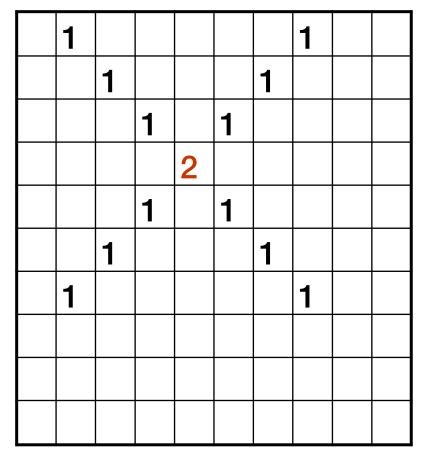
$$(a,c)$$

$$(a,c) = -x_i m + y_i$$

$$(m,c) + 1$$



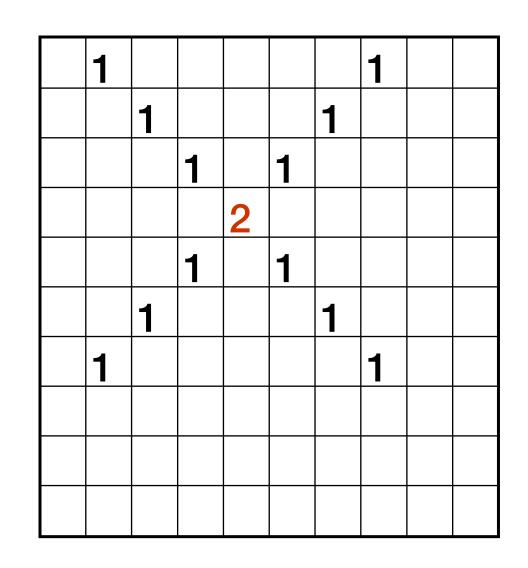




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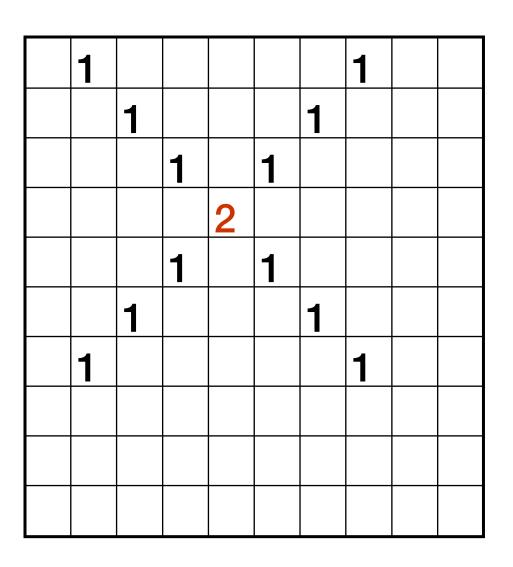
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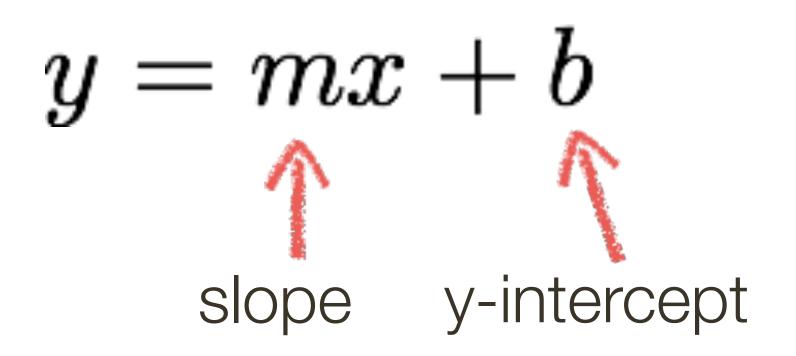
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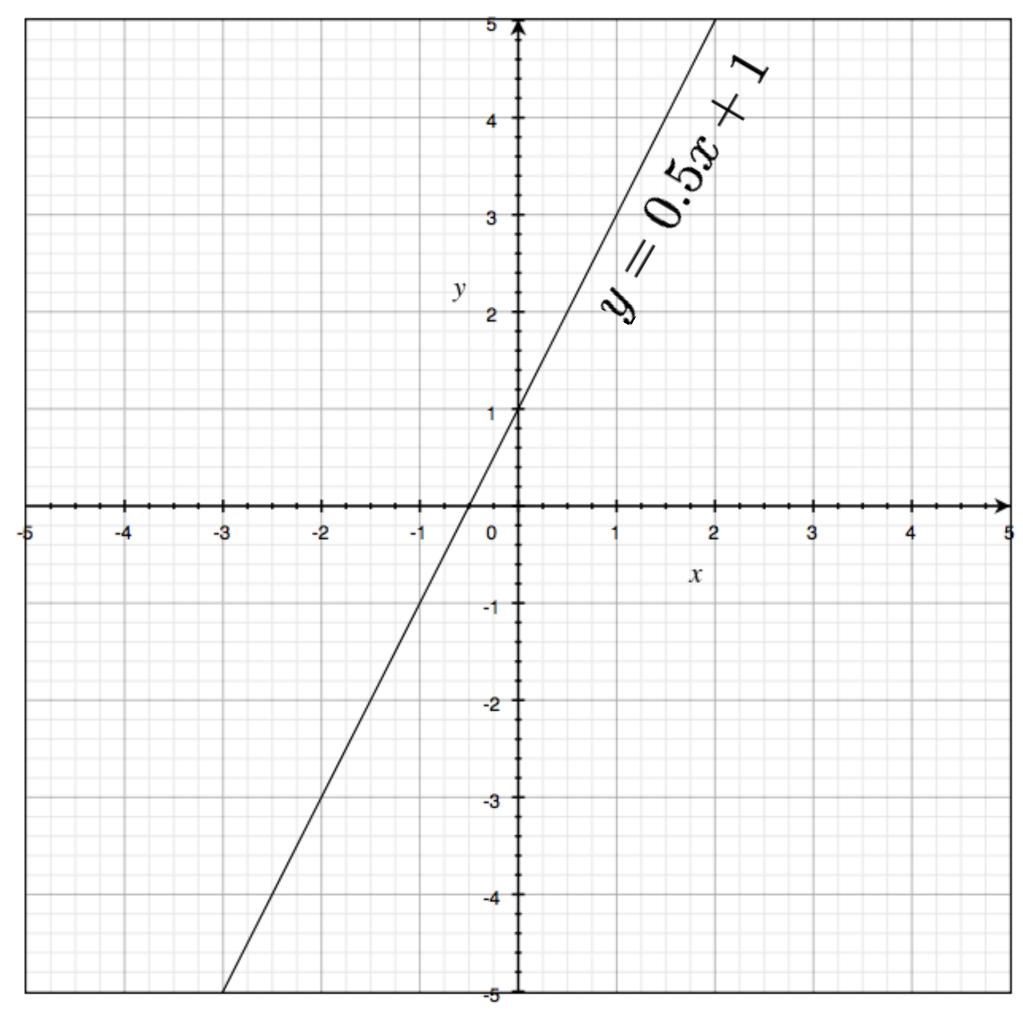
 $-\infty \leq m \leq \infty$

The space of c is huge!

$-\infty \leq C \leq \infty$

Lines: Slope intercept form





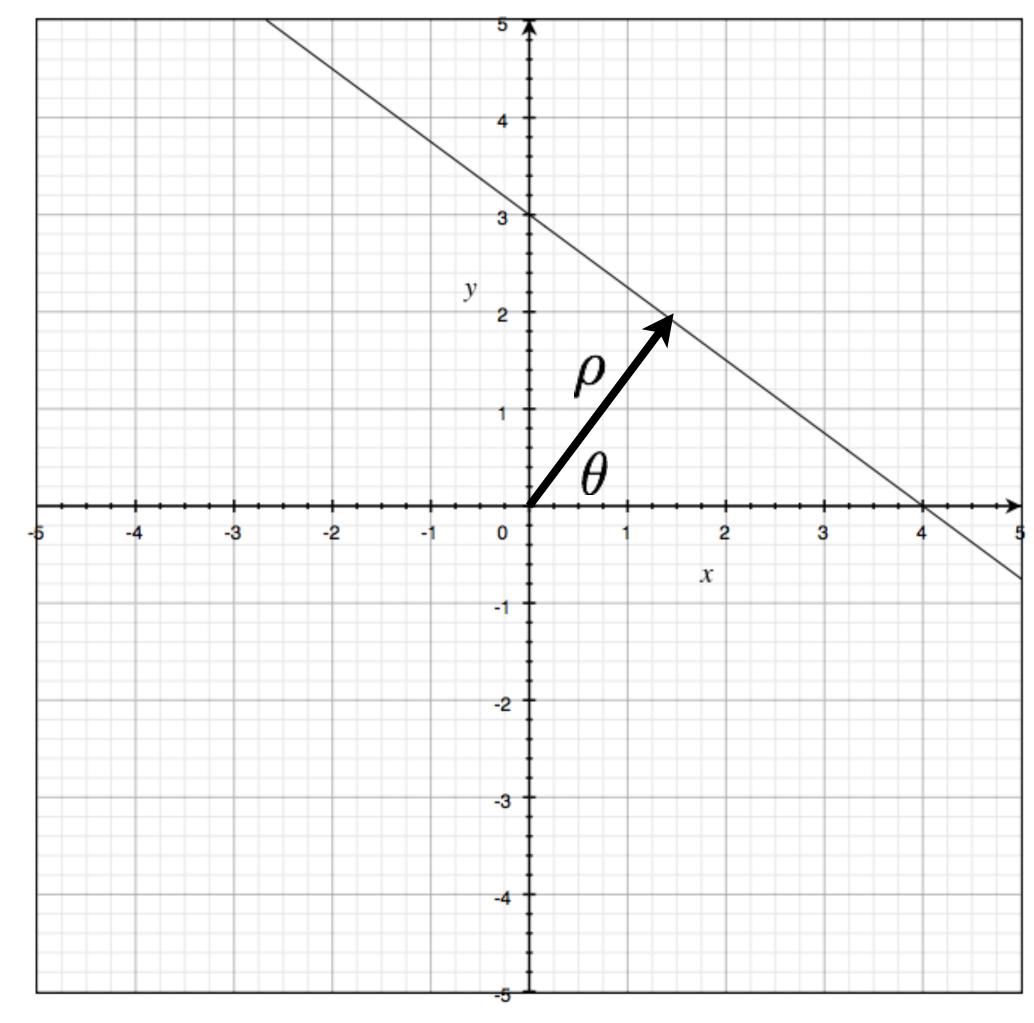


Lines: Normal form

$x\sin\theta + y\cos\theta = \rho$

Forsyth/Ponce convention

 $x\sin\theta + y\cos\theta + r = 0$ r > 0 $0 < \theta < 2\pi$





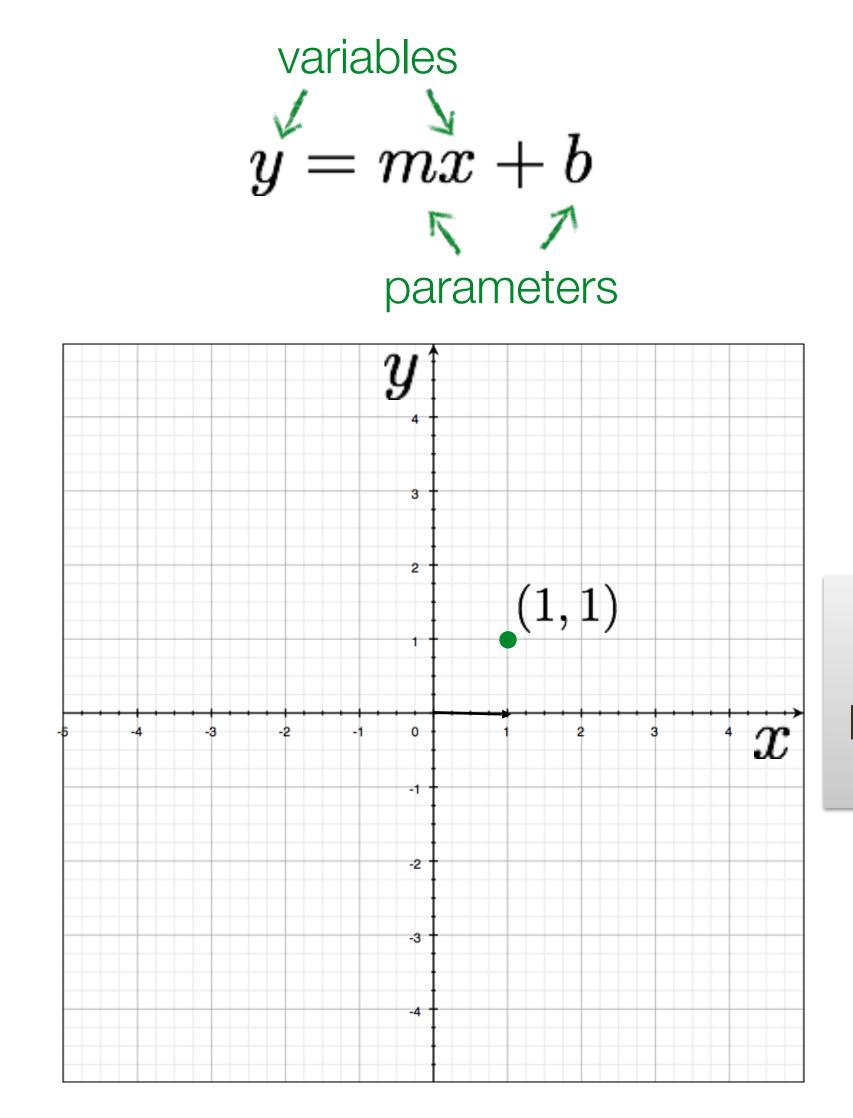
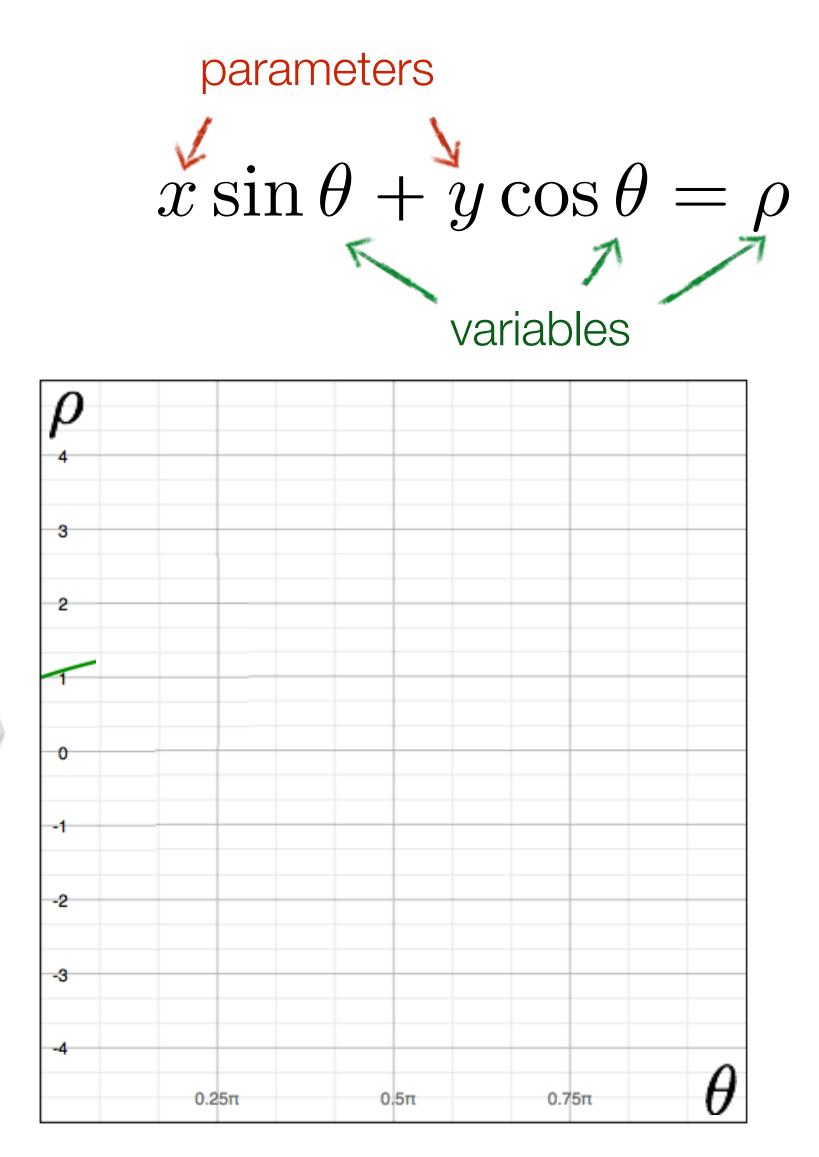


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a point becomes?

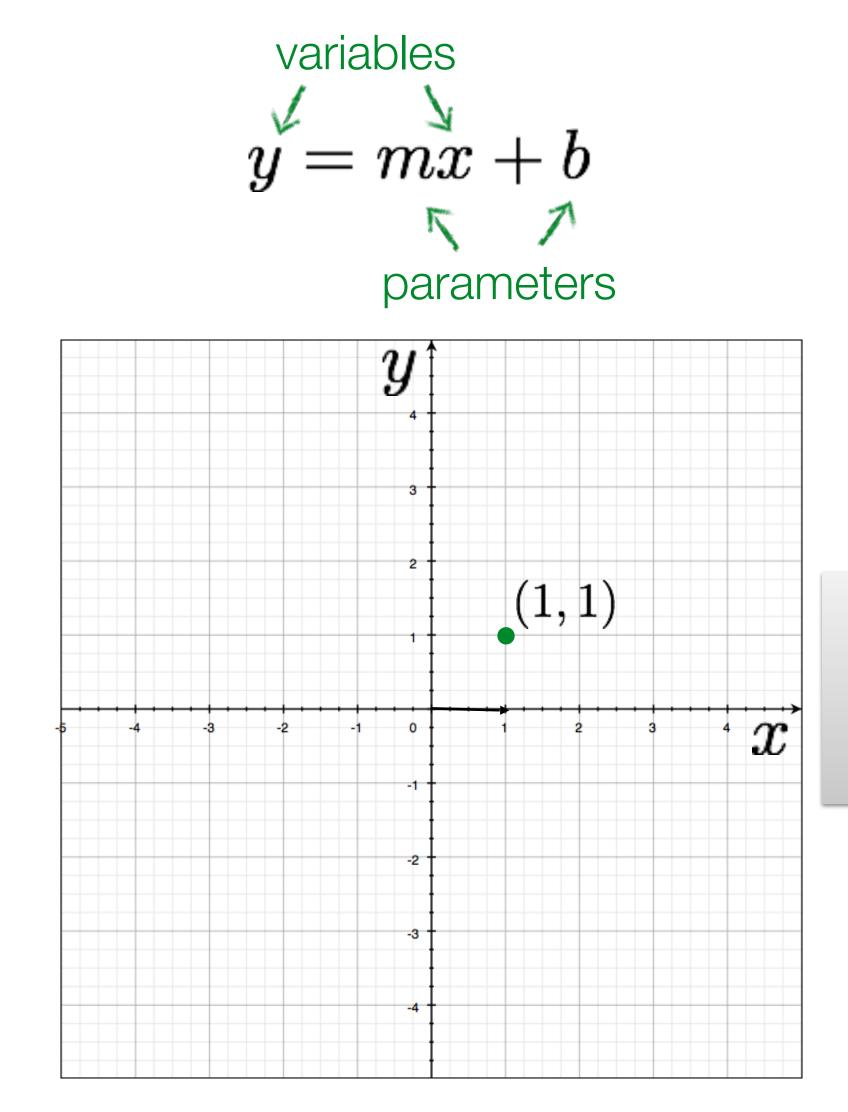
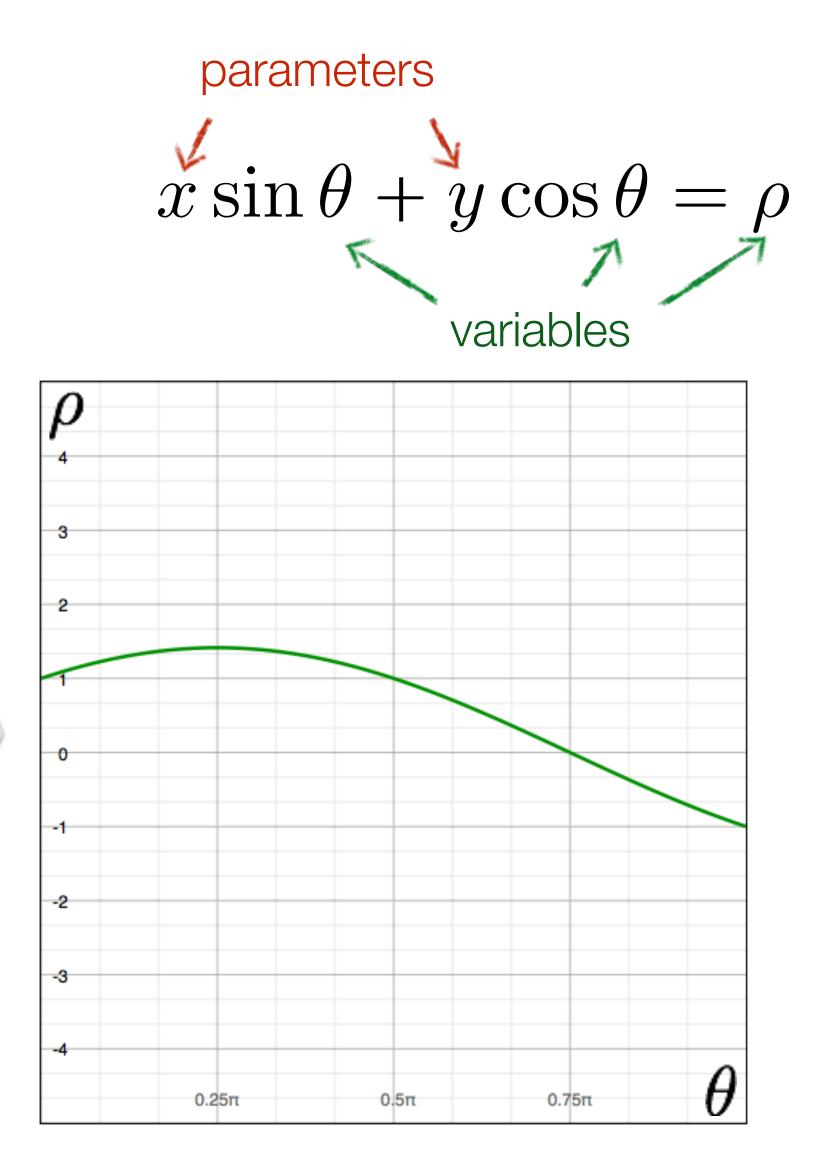


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a point becomes a wave

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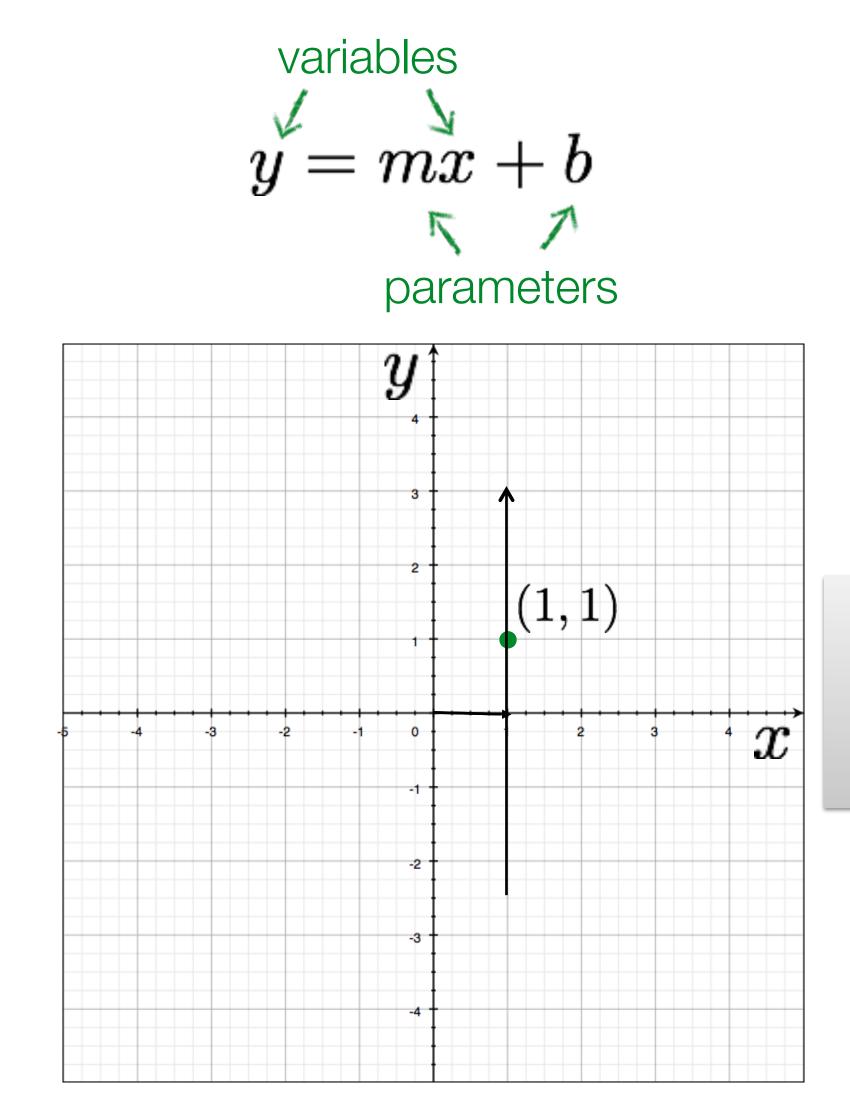
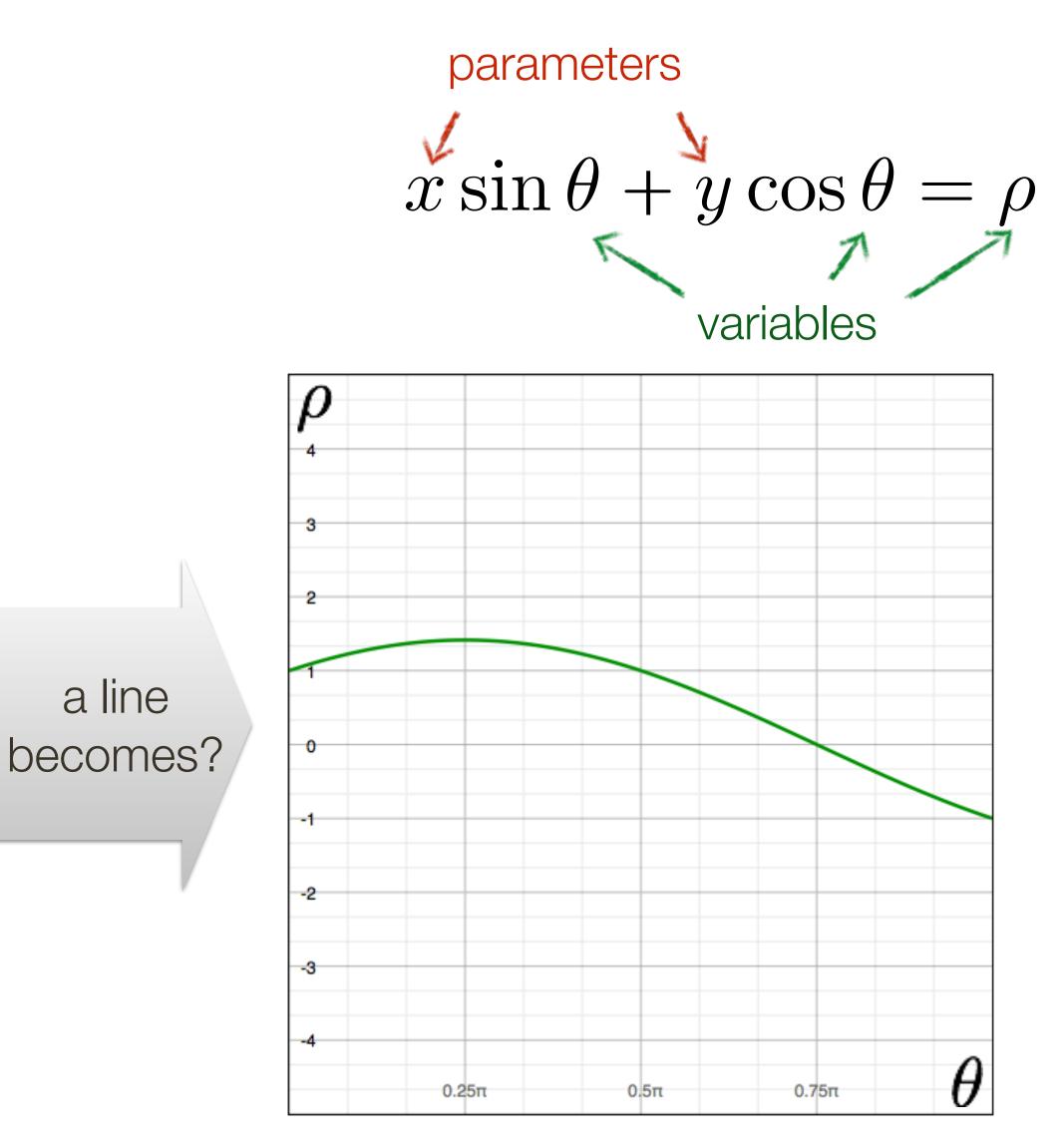


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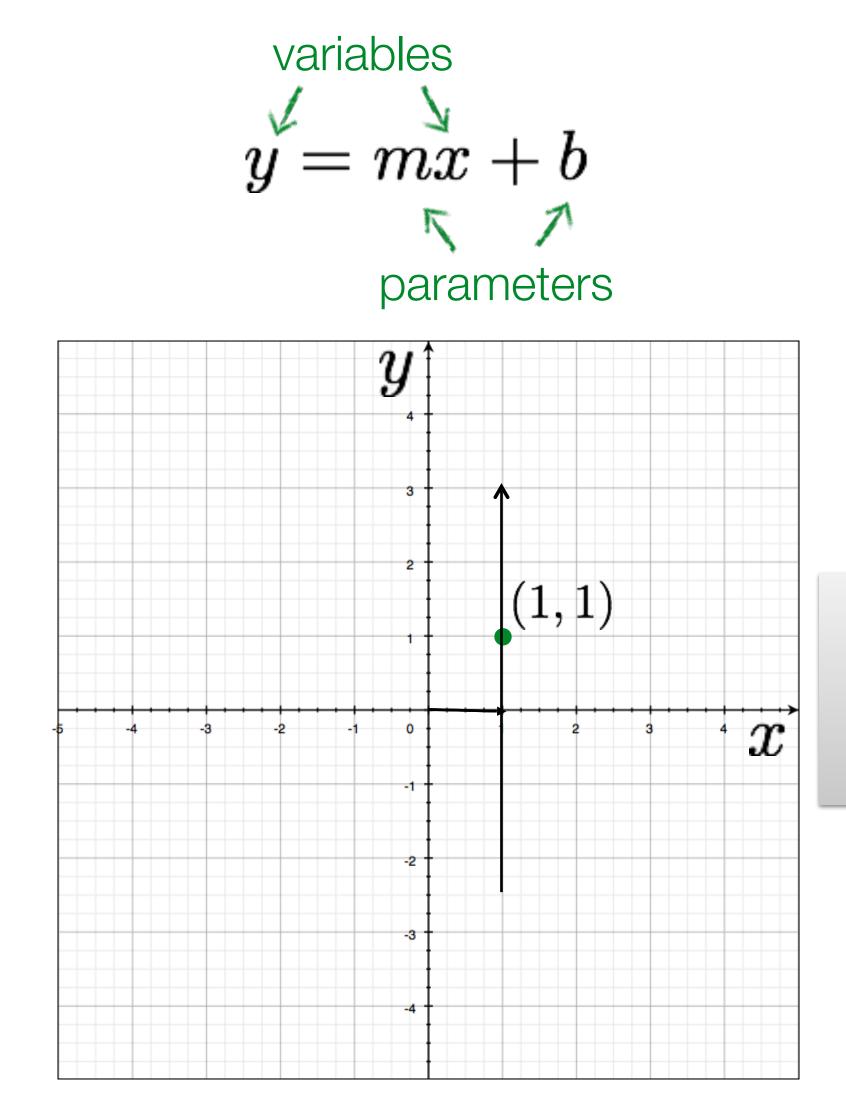
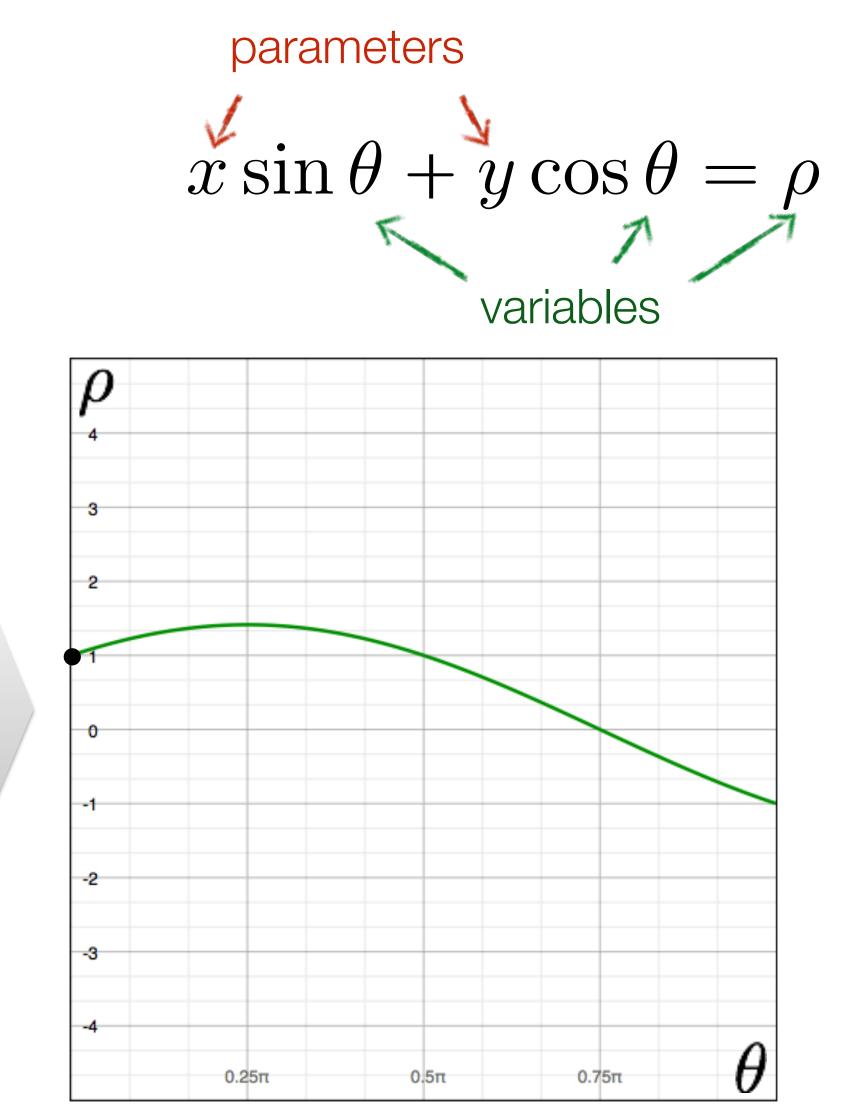


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a line becomes a point

Hough Transform for Lines (switching to books notation)

- Idea: Each point votes for the lines that pass through it
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- For any (x, y) there is a one parameter family of lines through this point. Just let (x, y) be constants and for each value of θ the value of r will be determined
- Each point enters votes for each line in the family
- If there is a line that has lots of votes, that will be the line passing near the points that voted for it

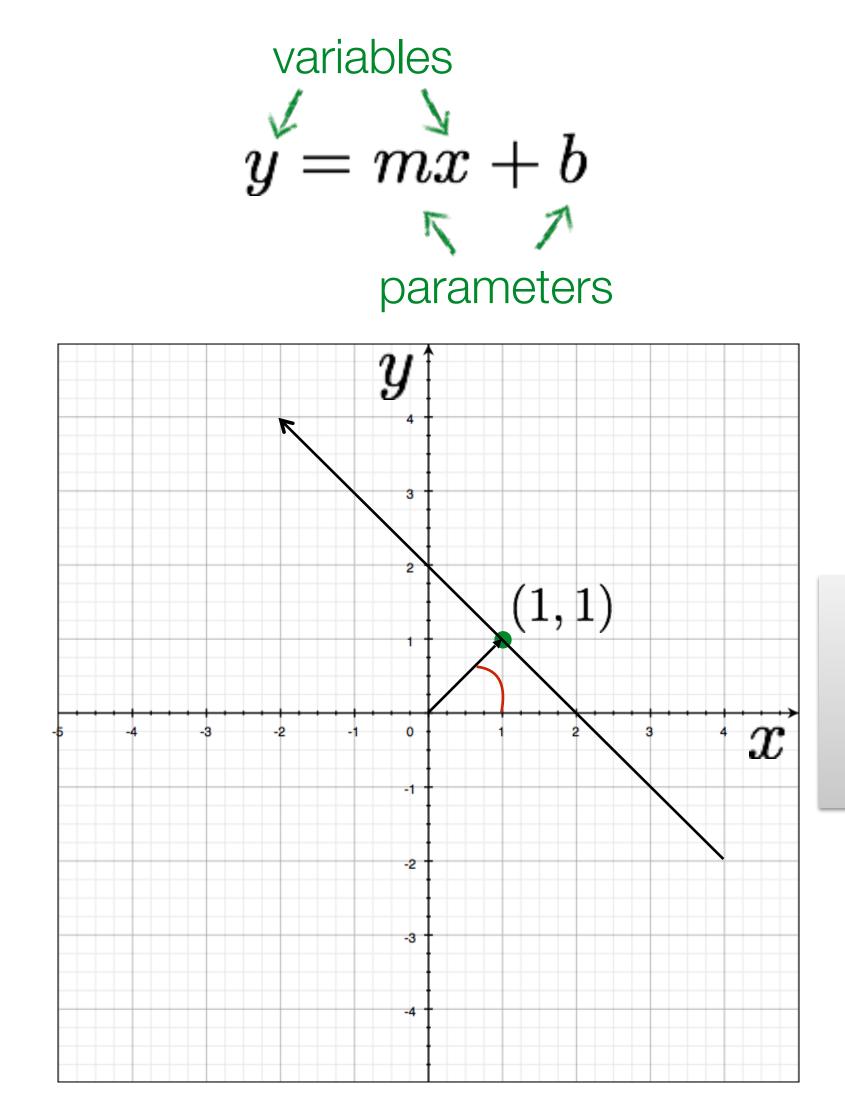
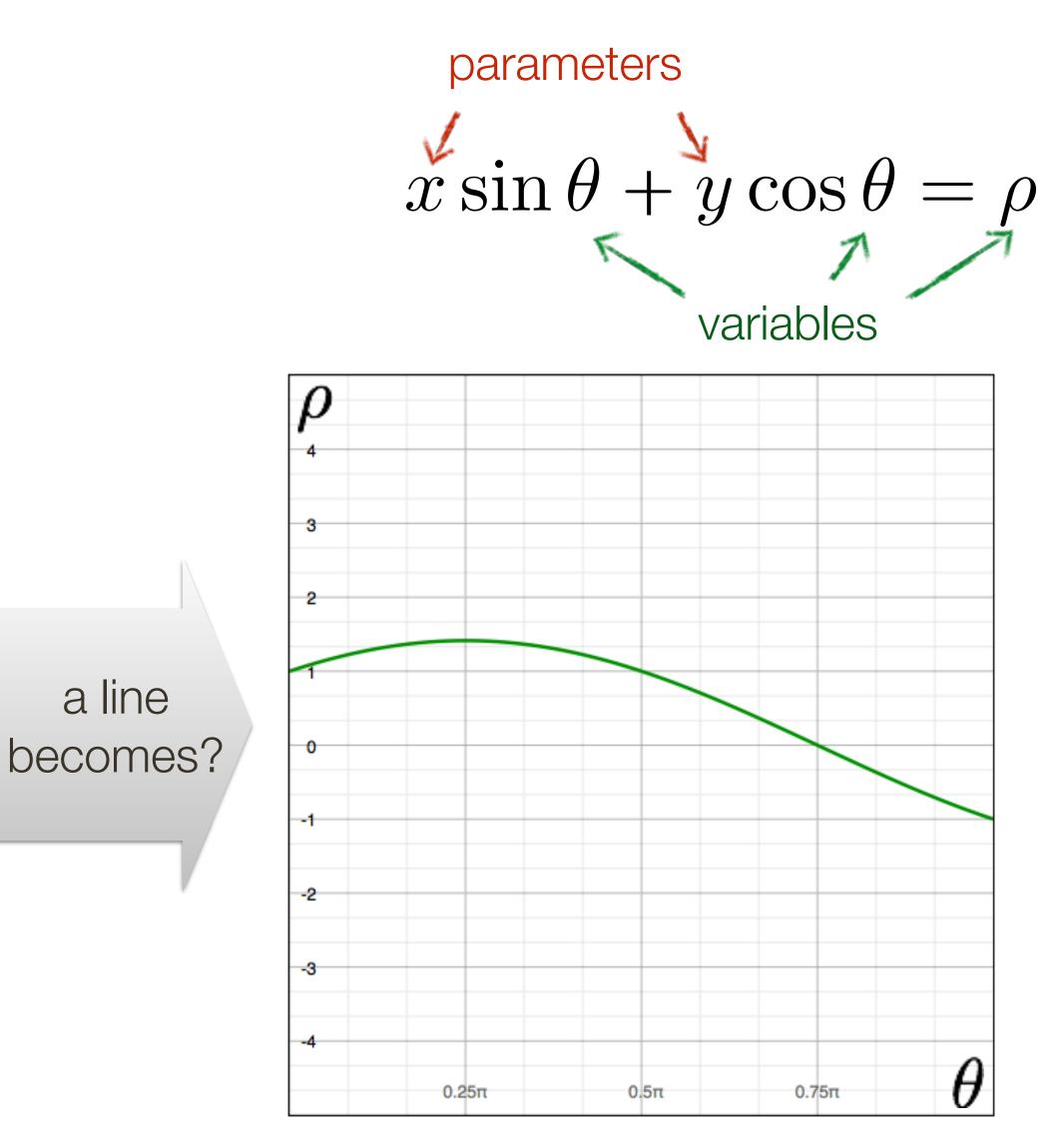


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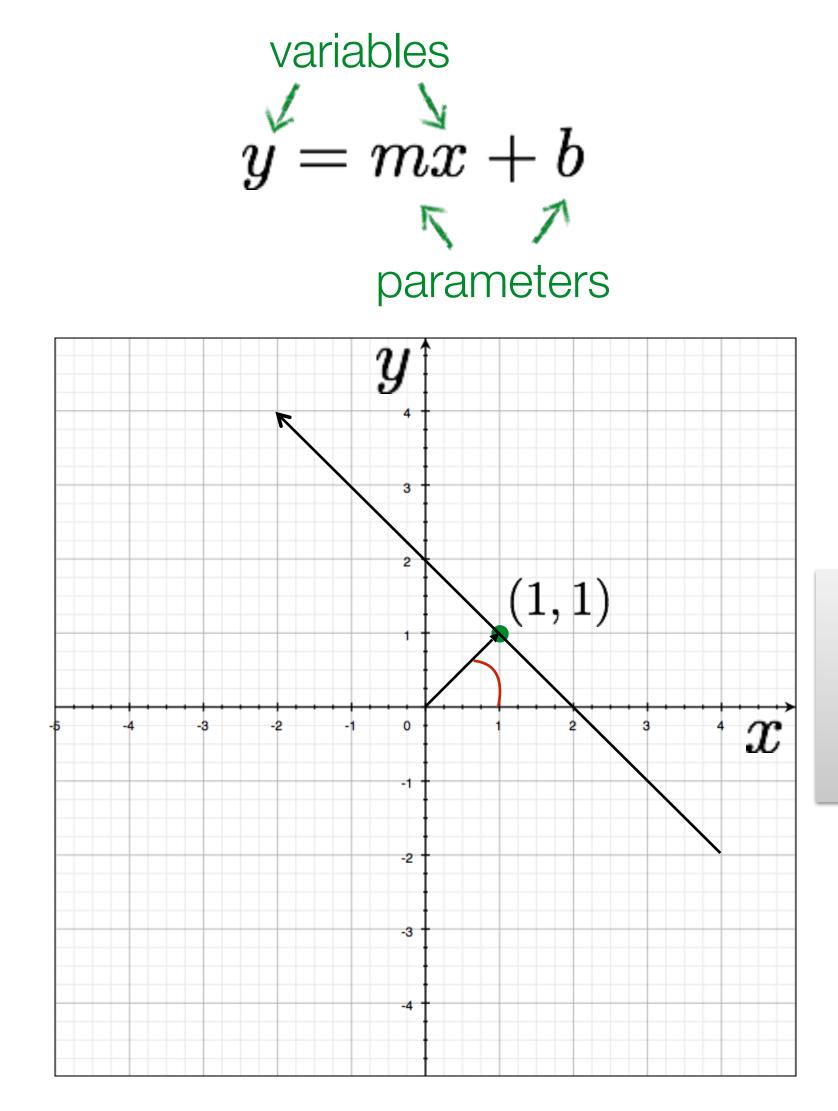
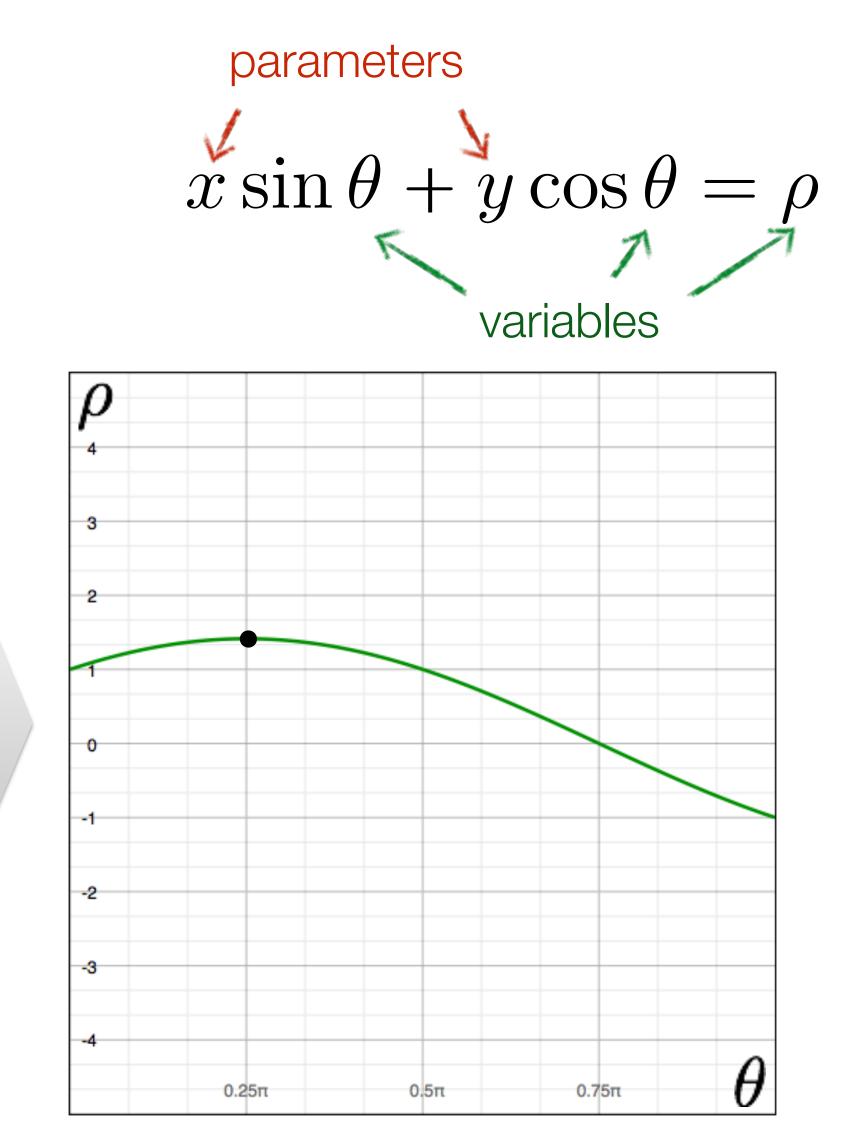


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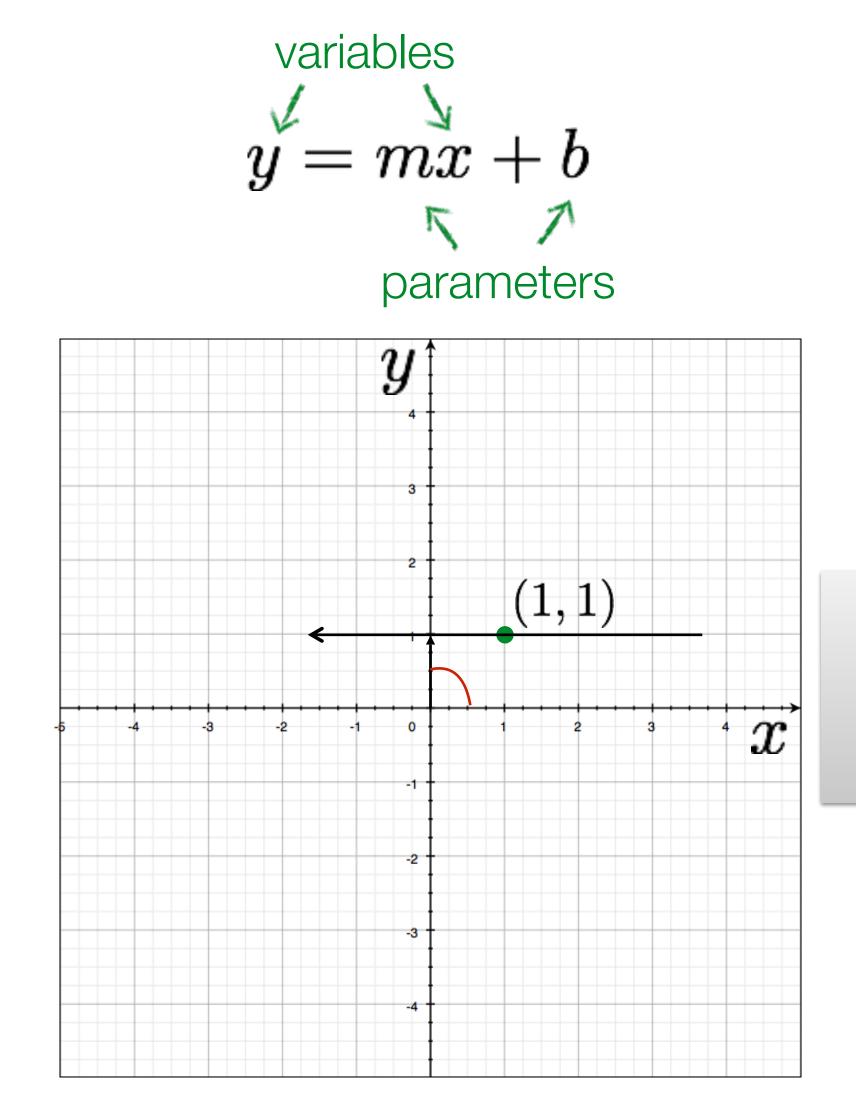
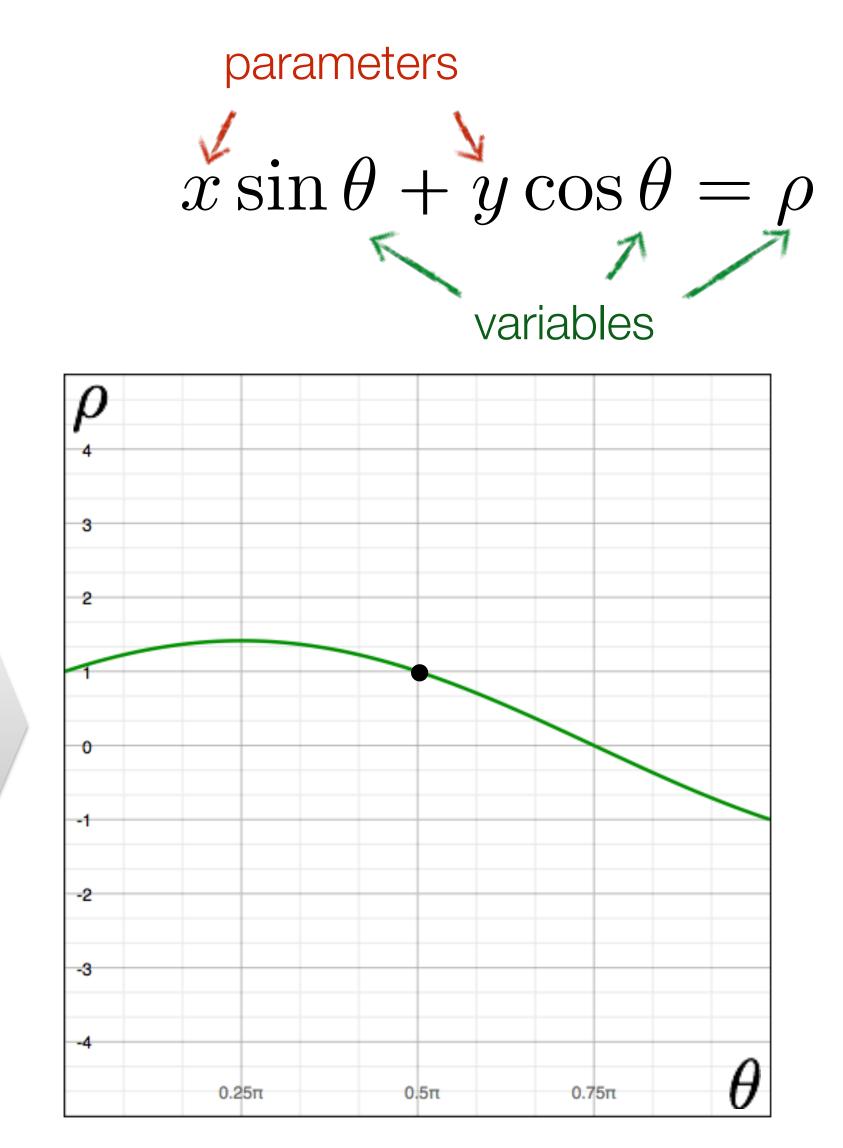


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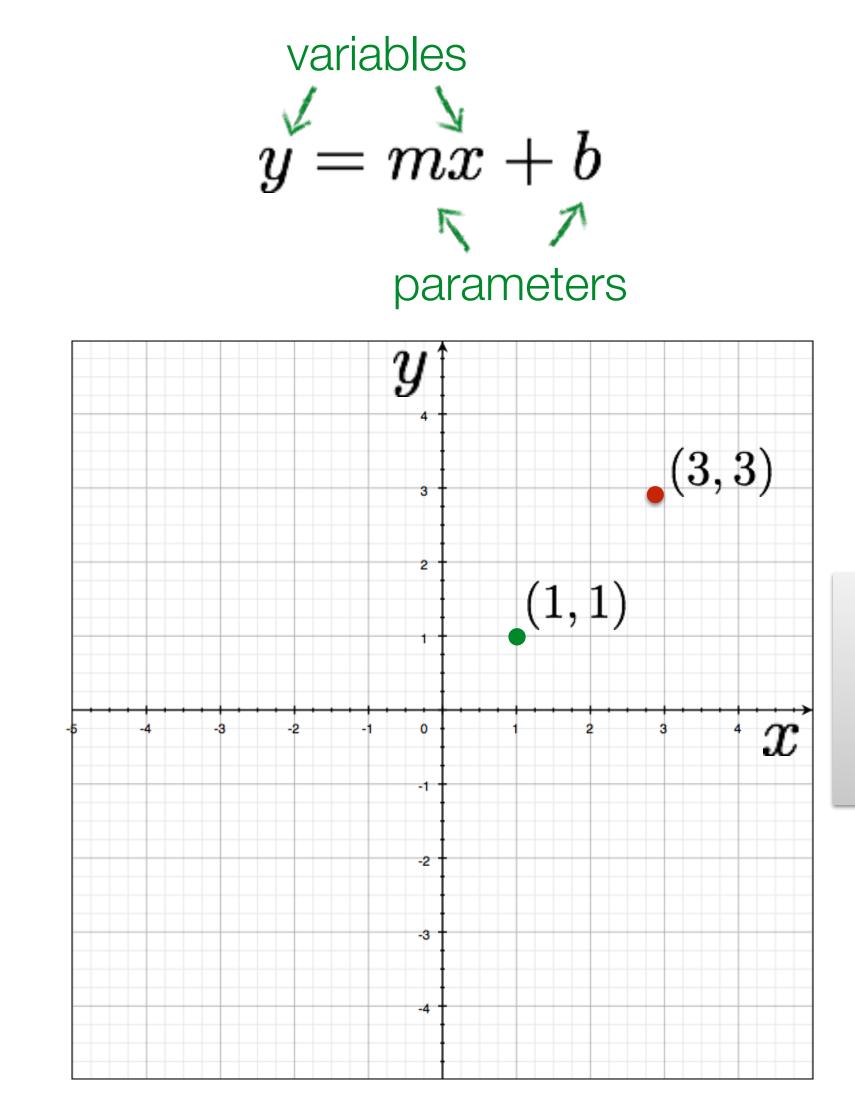
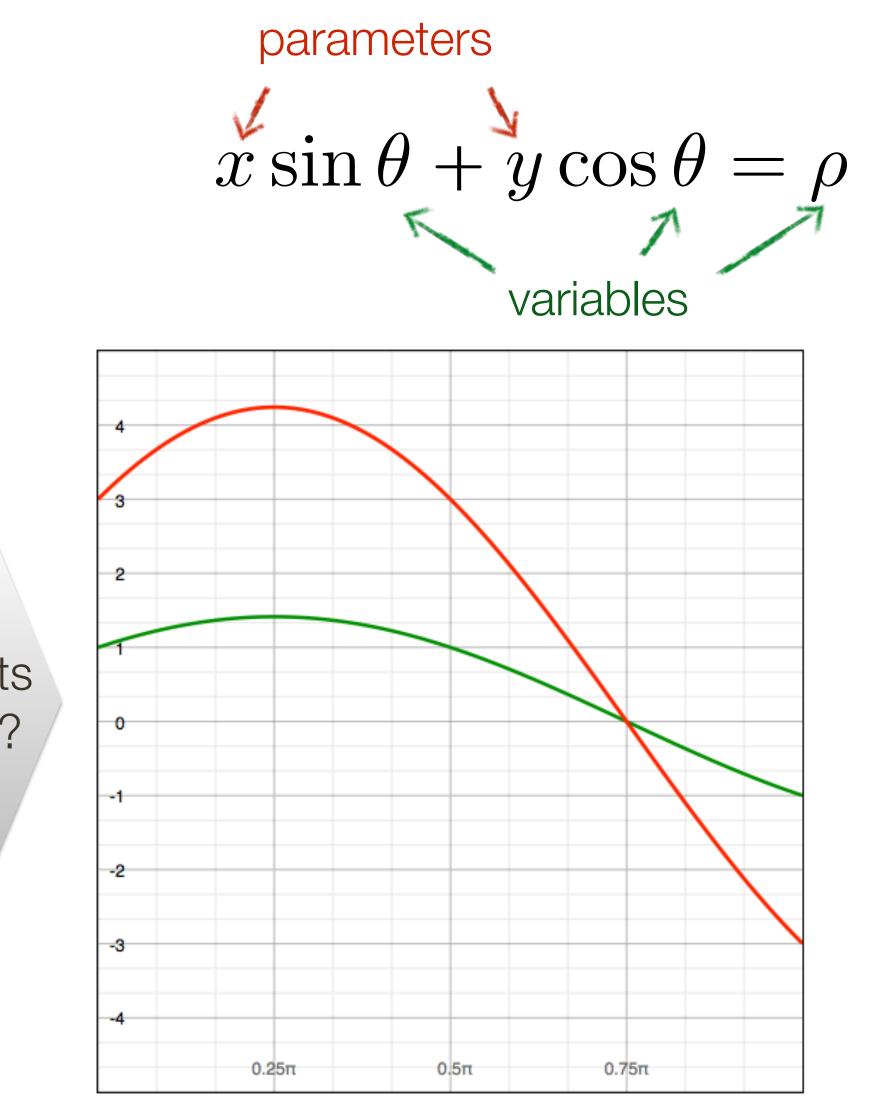


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two points become?

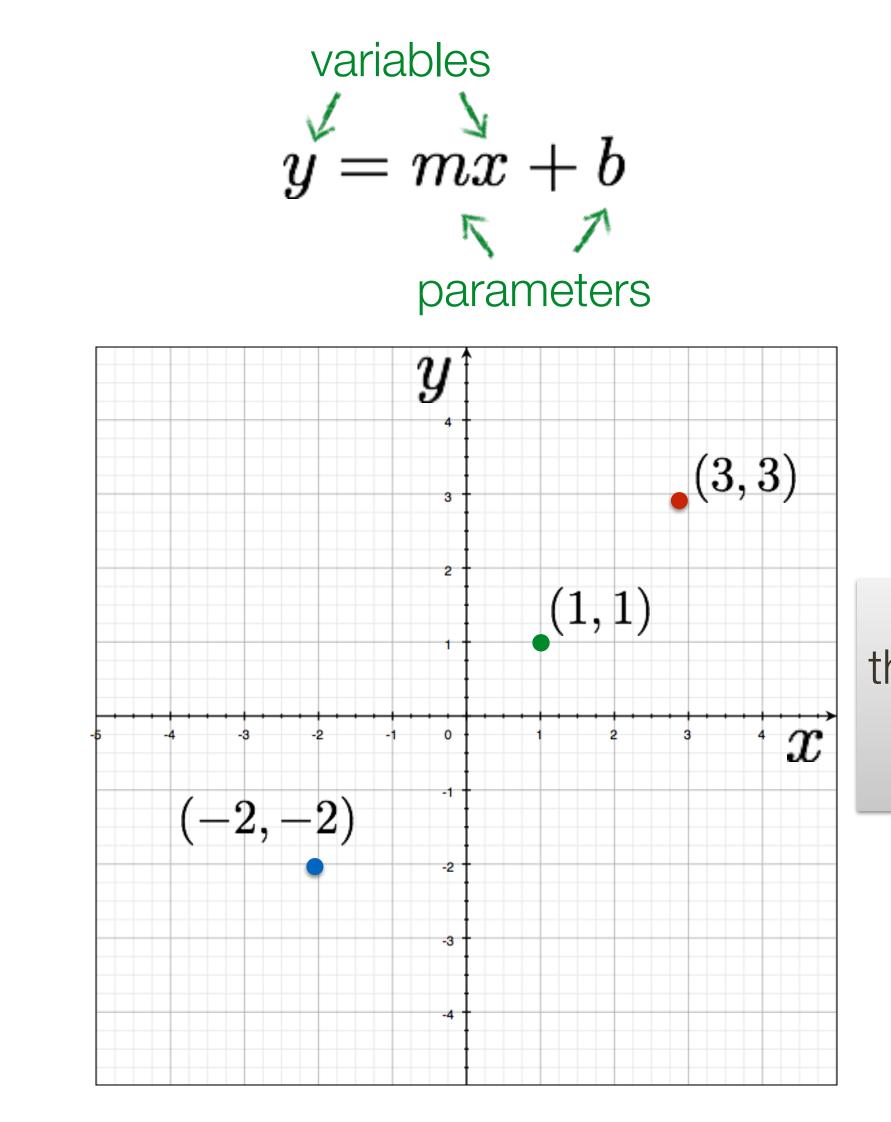
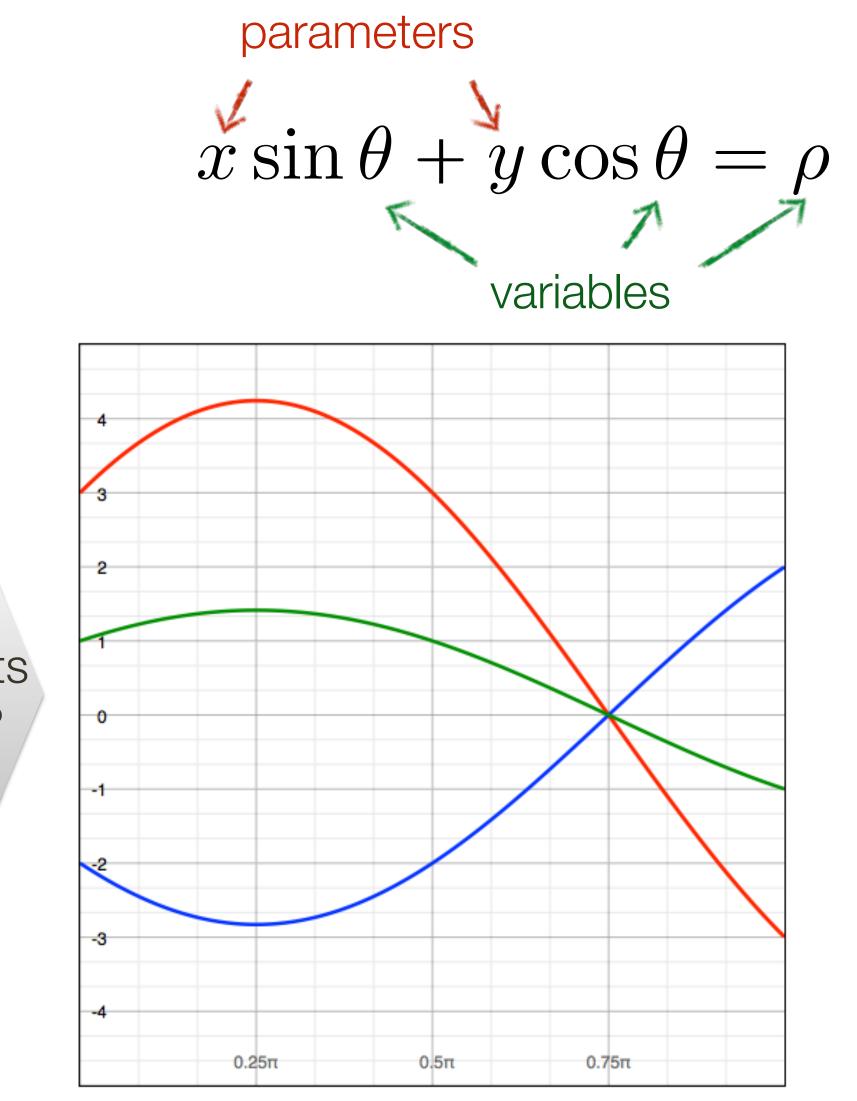


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three points become?

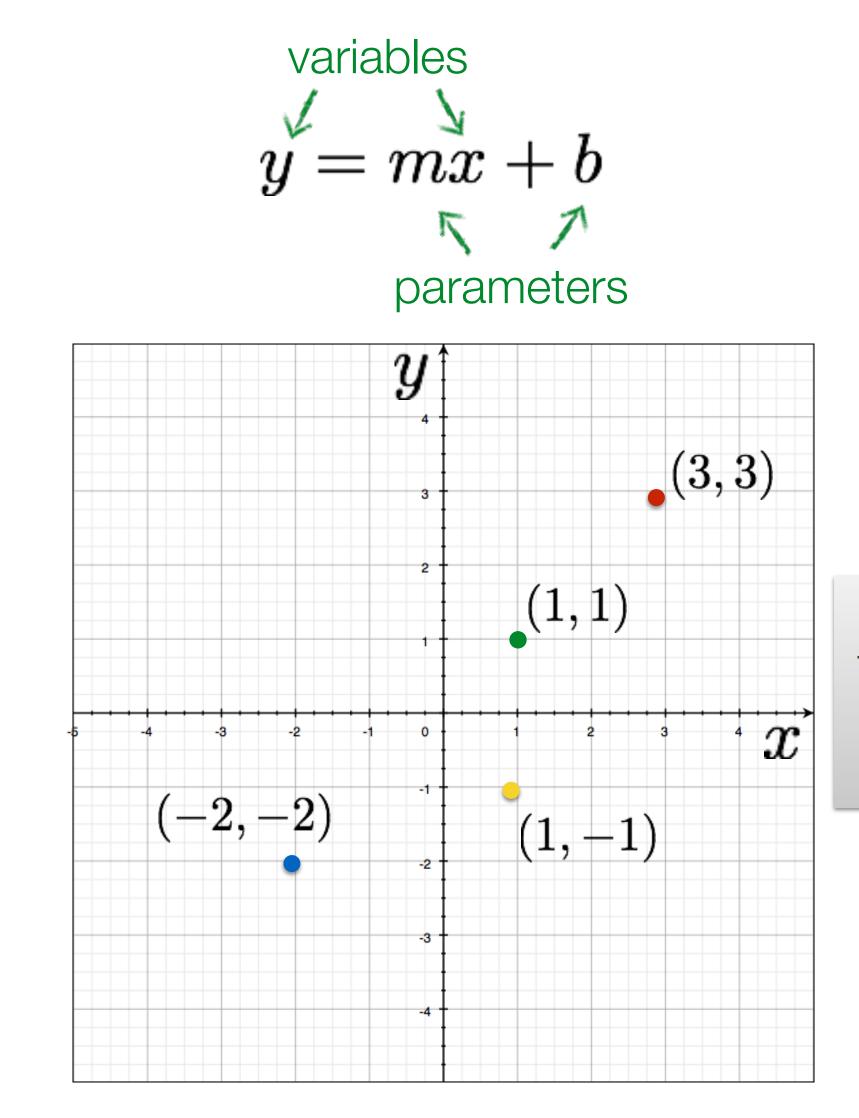
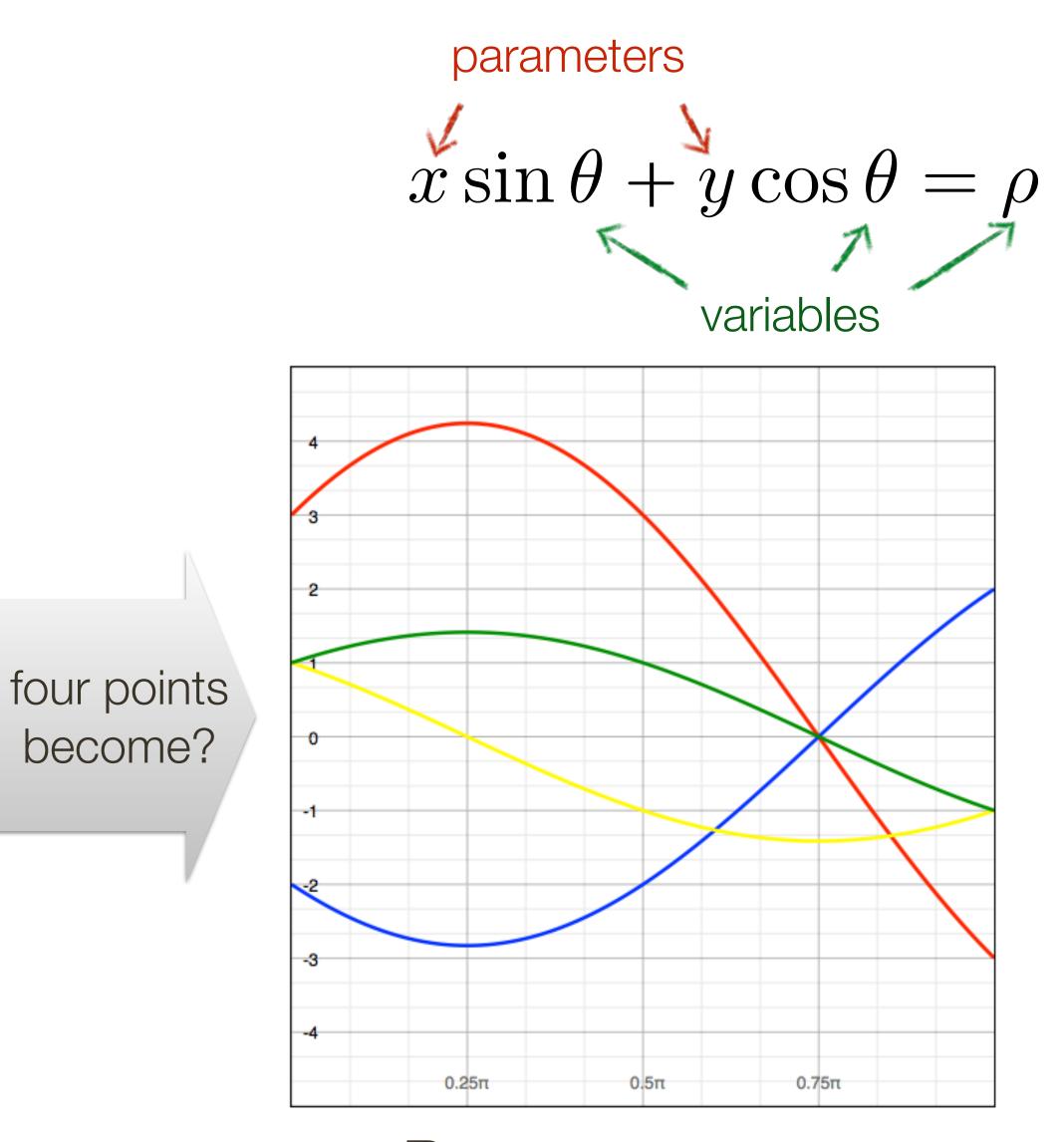
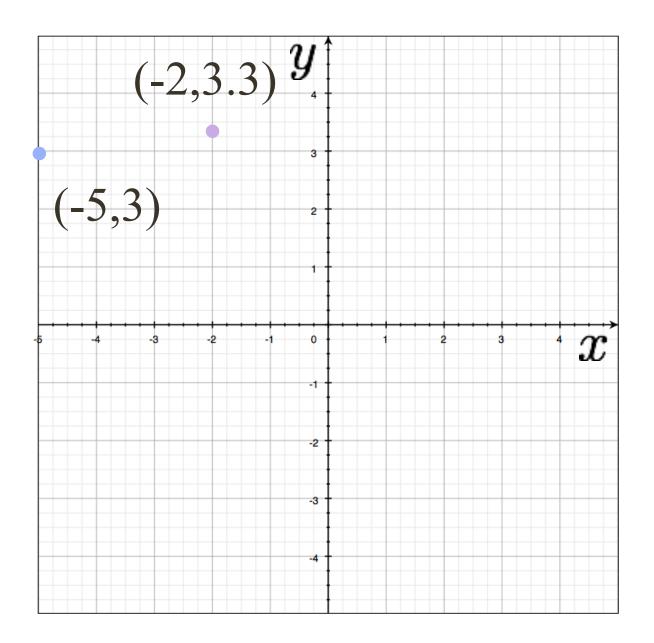
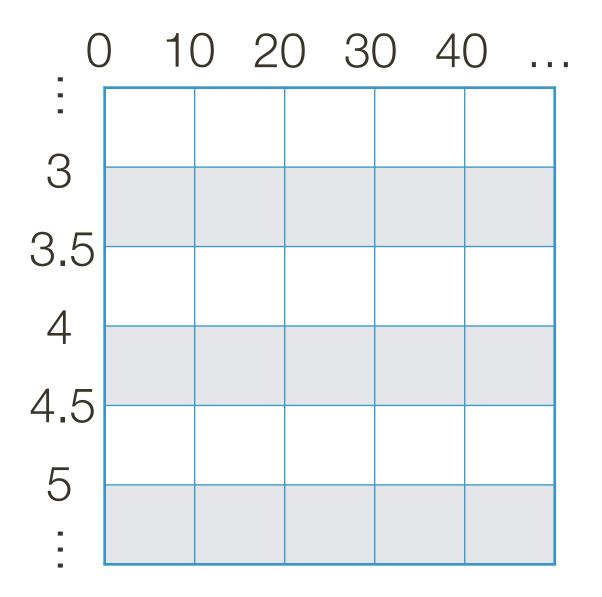
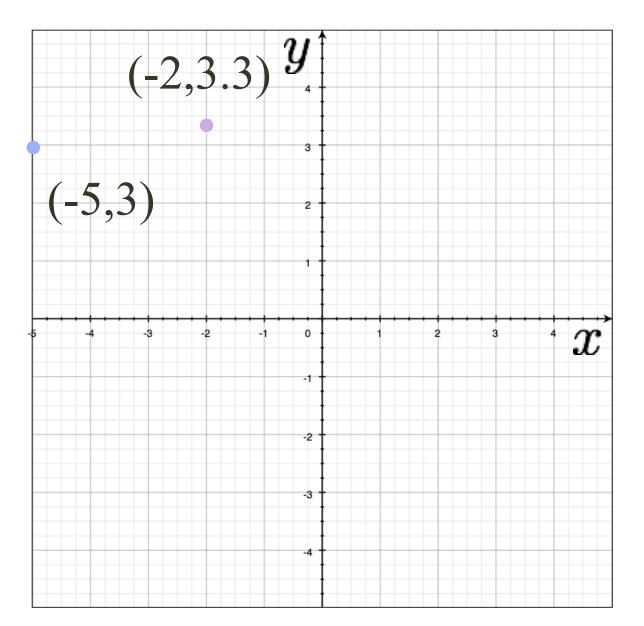


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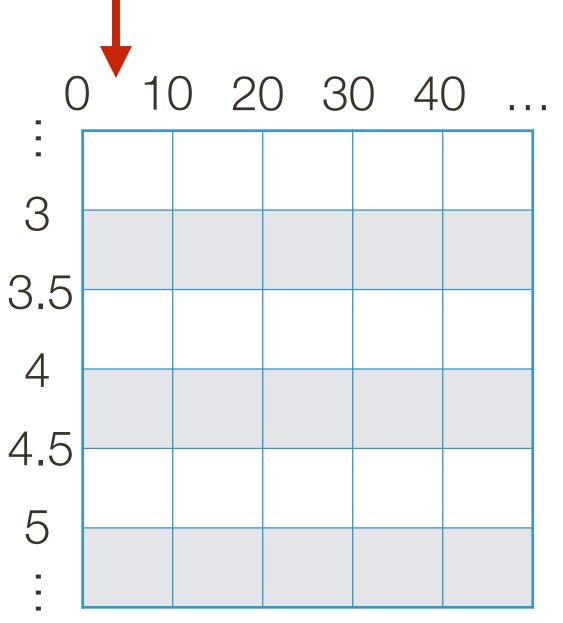




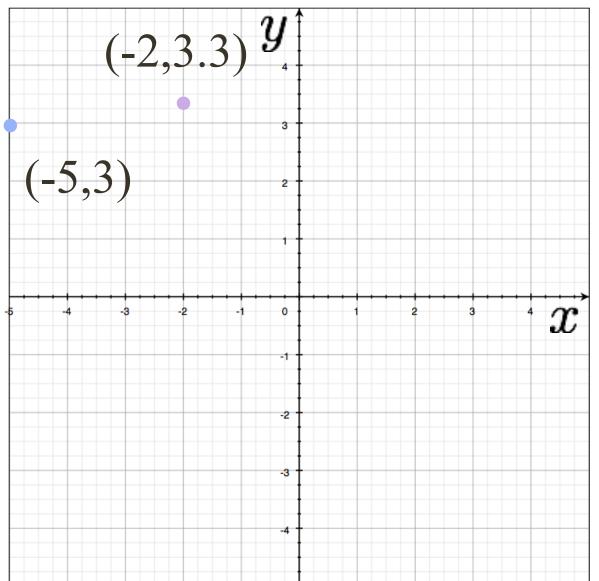




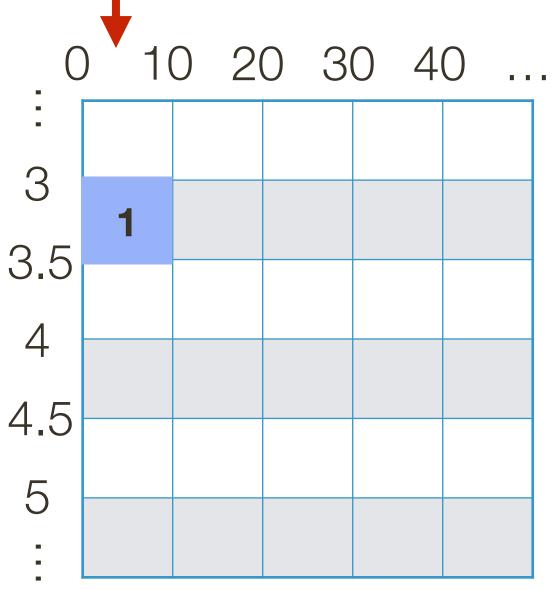
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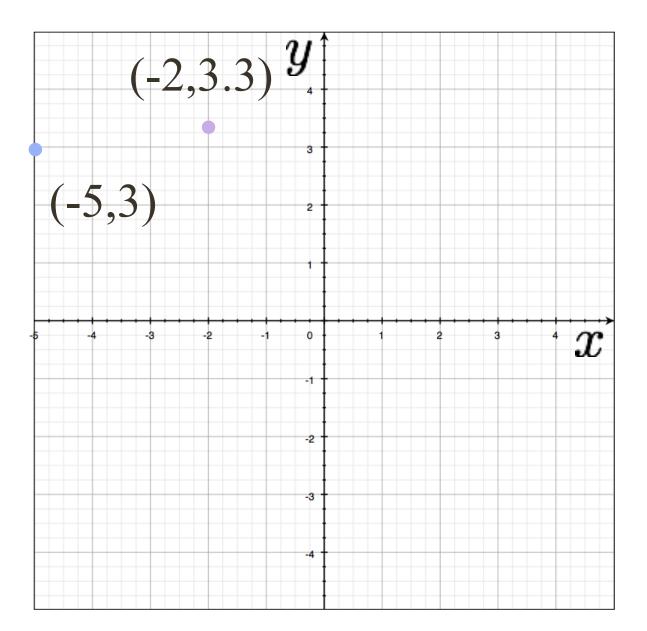




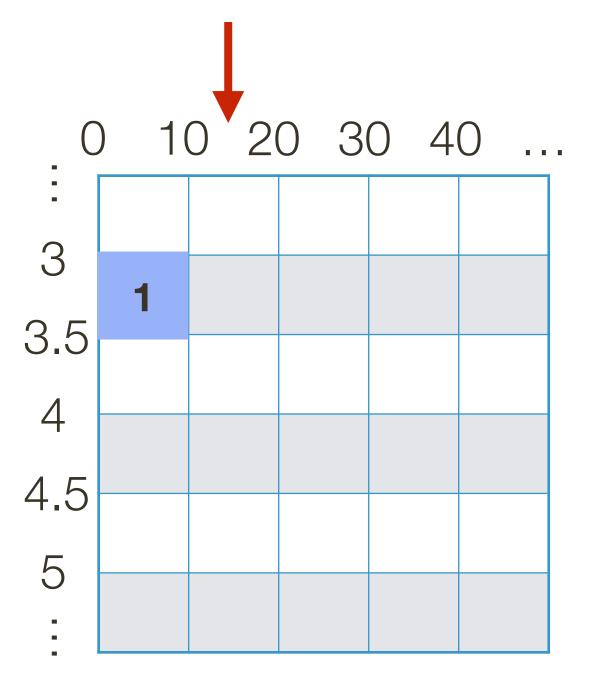
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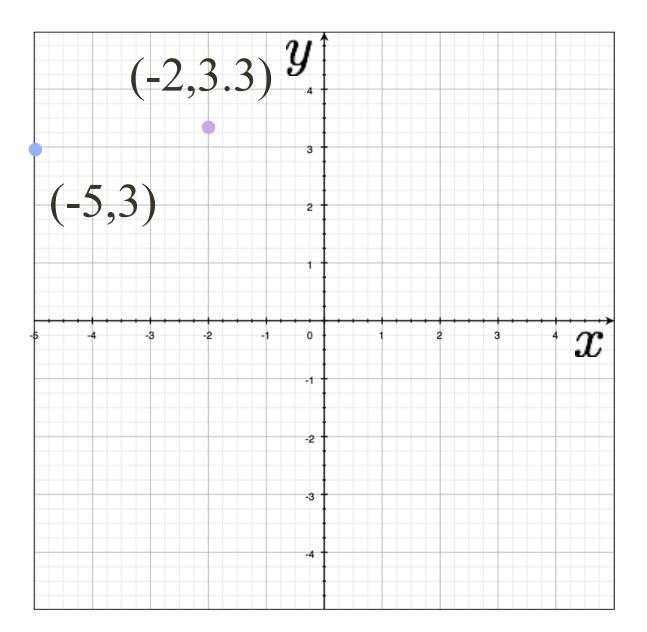


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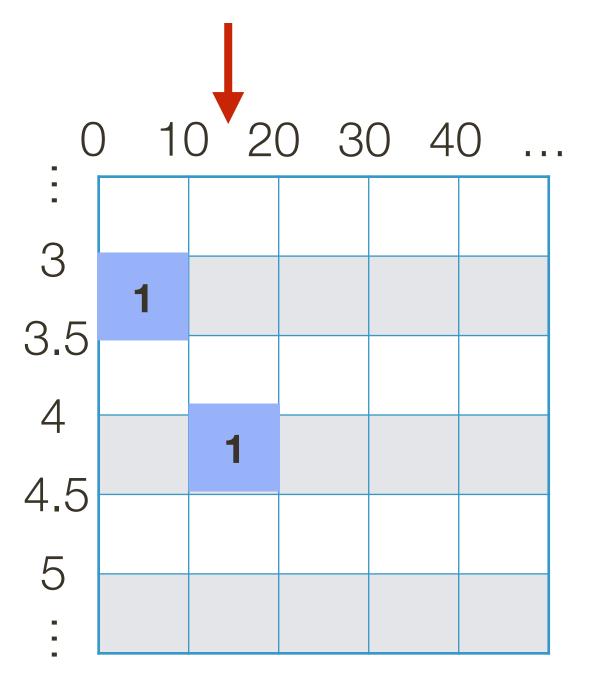


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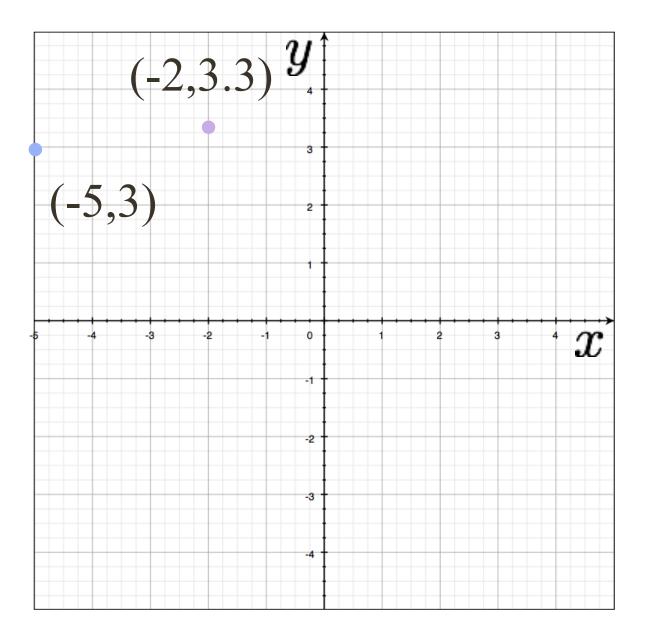


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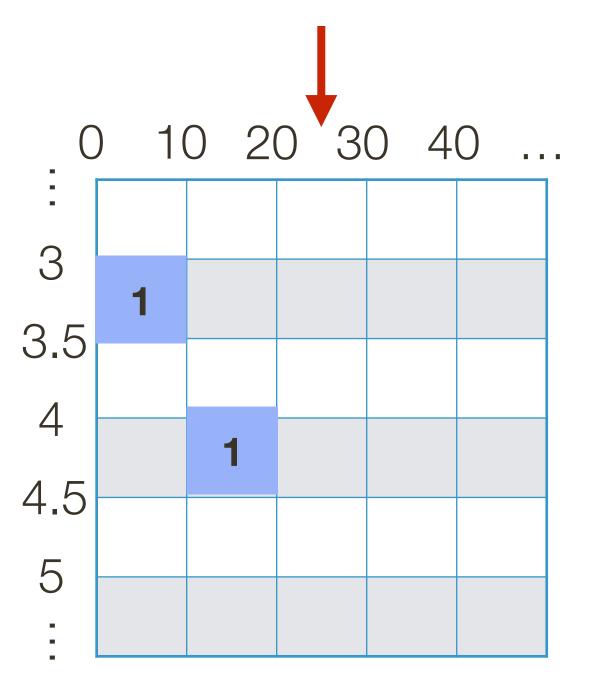


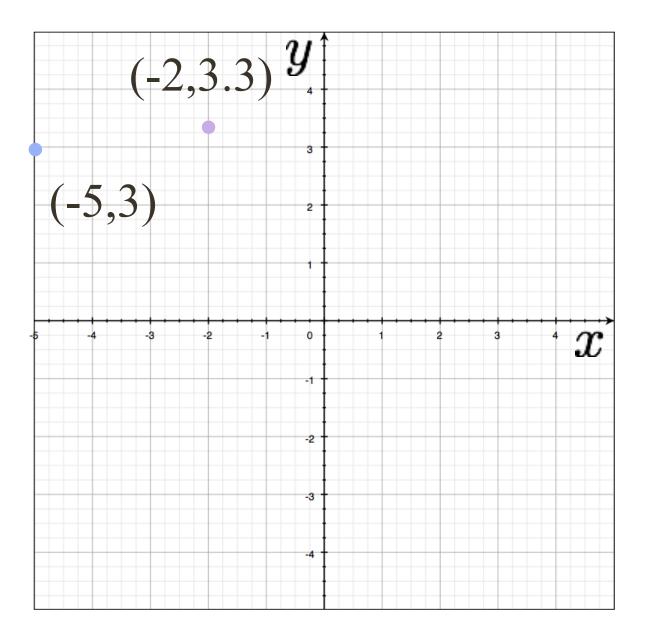
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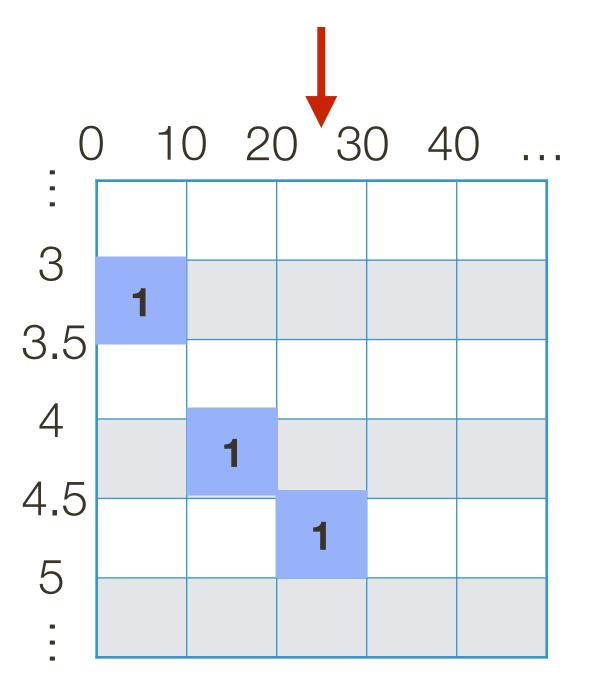


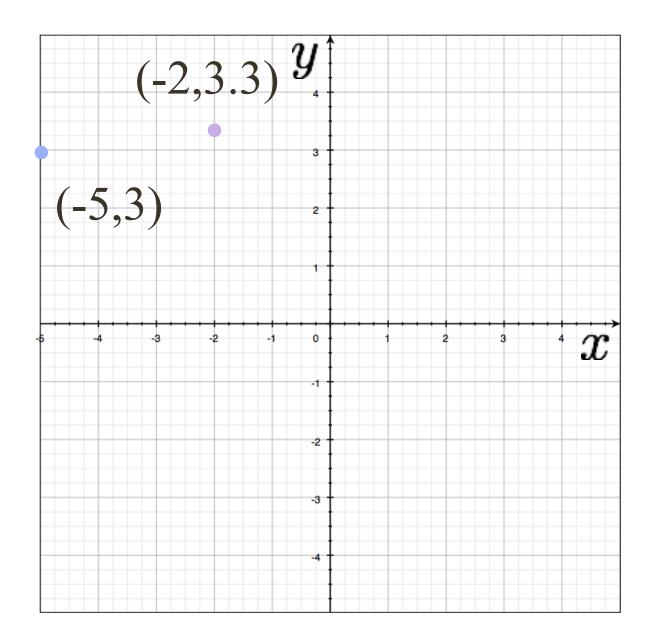
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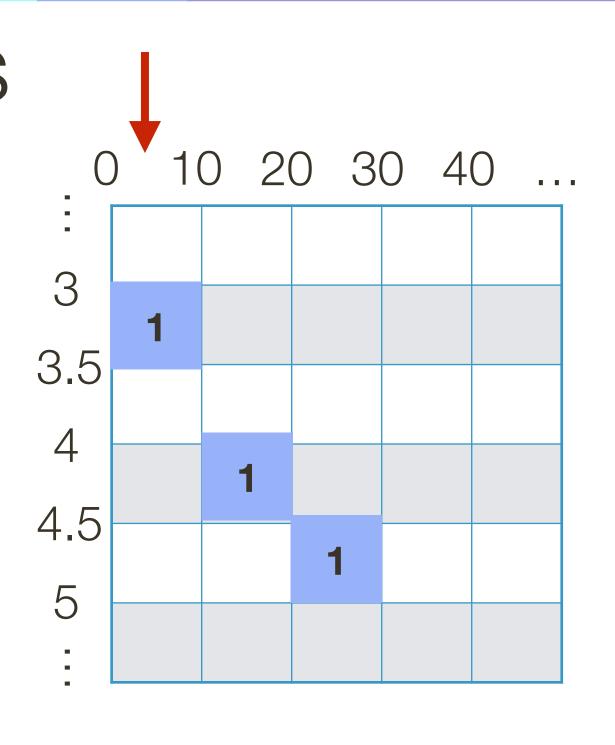
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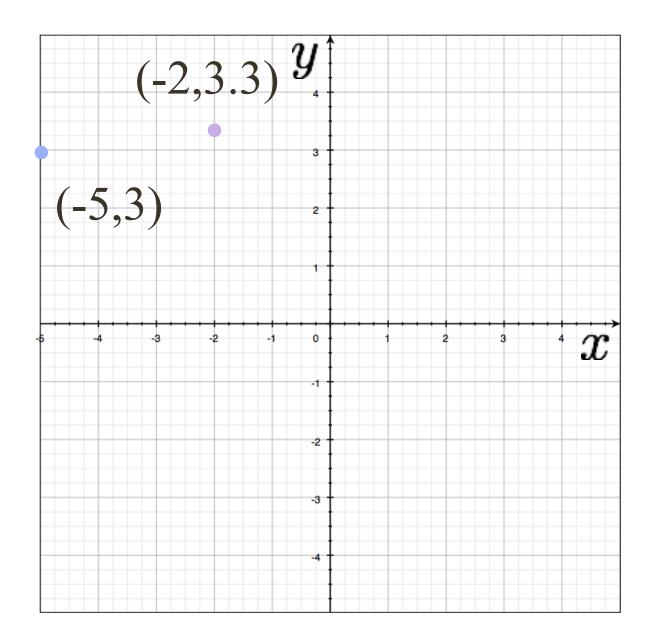




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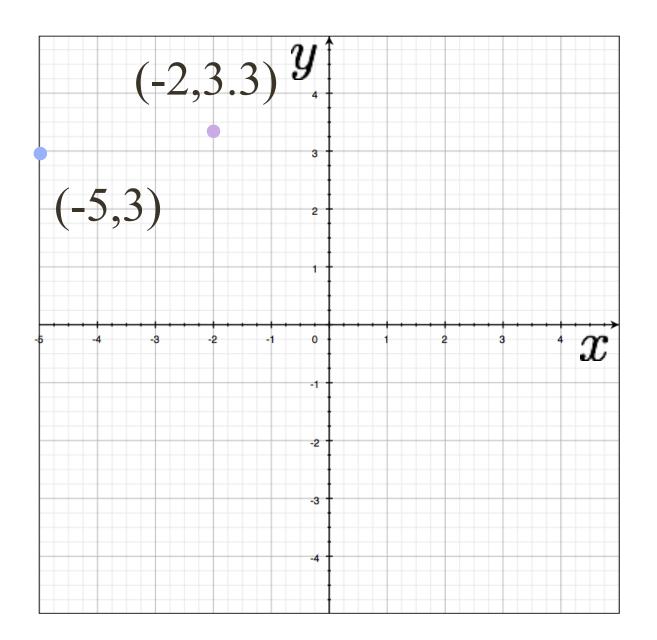
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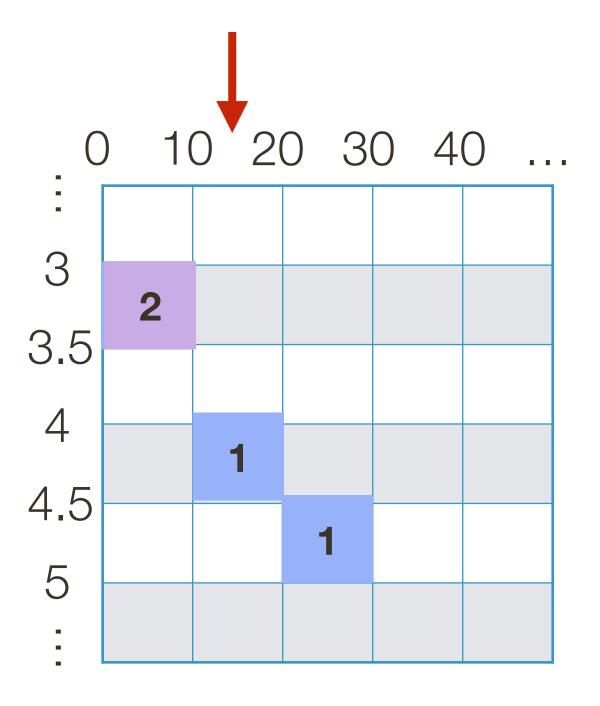
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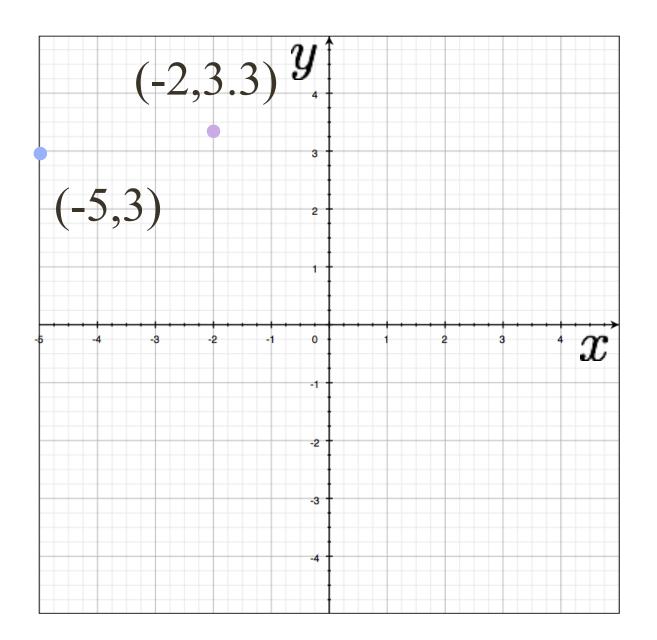
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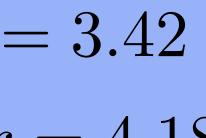


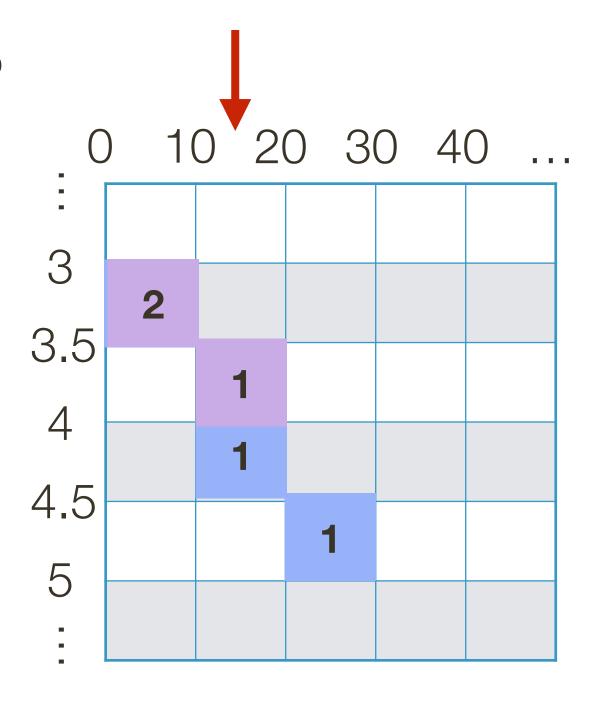




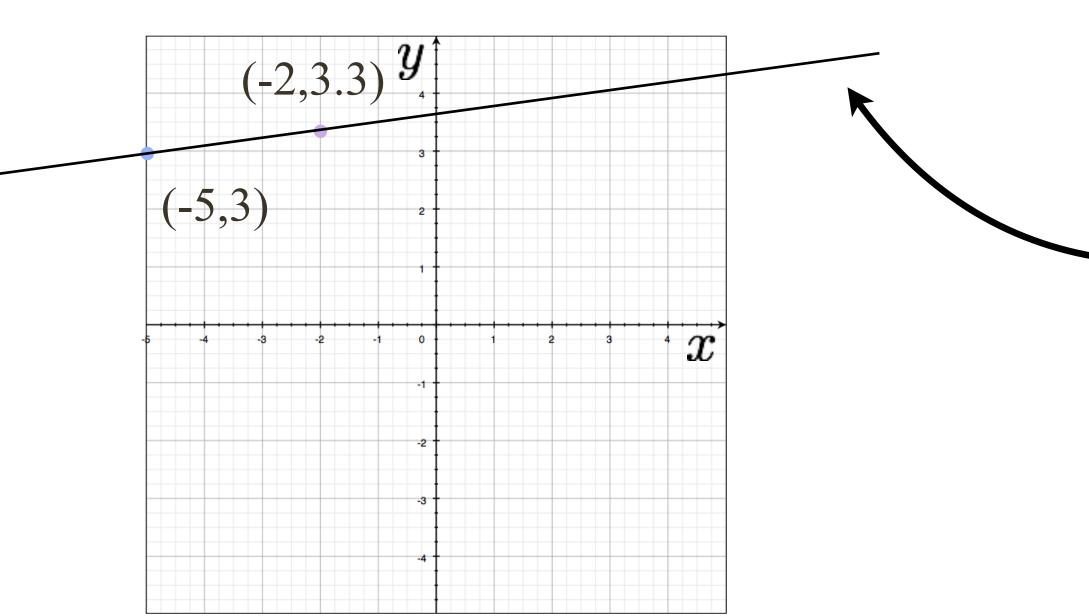
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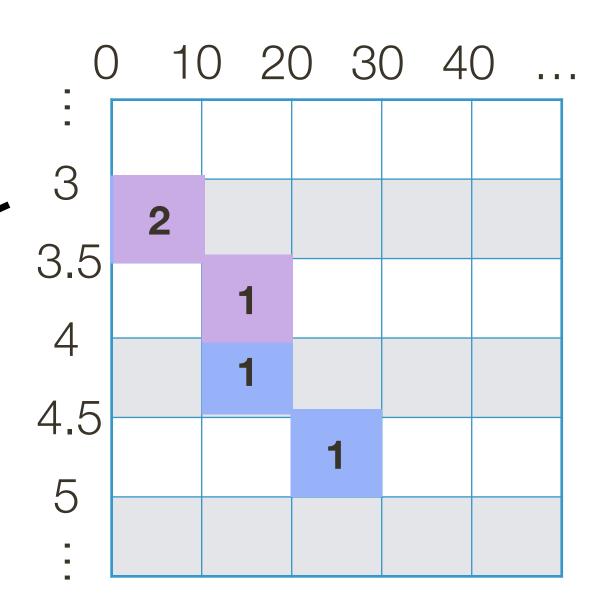






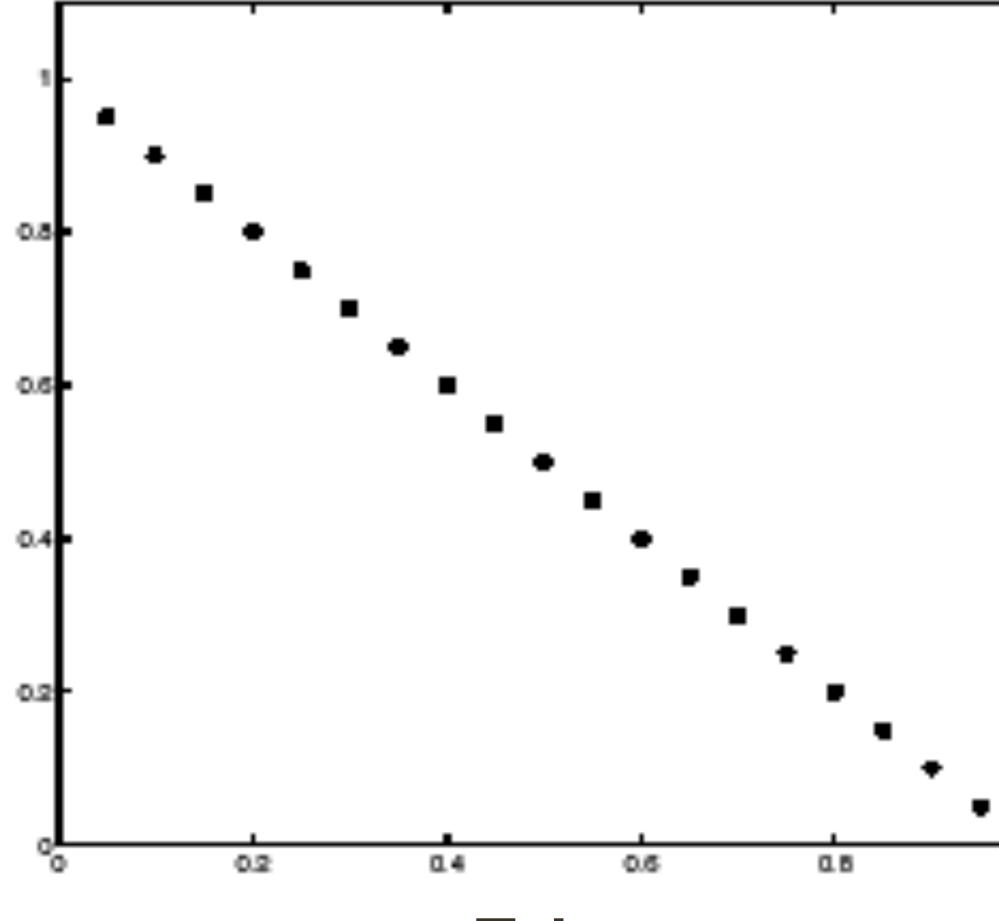
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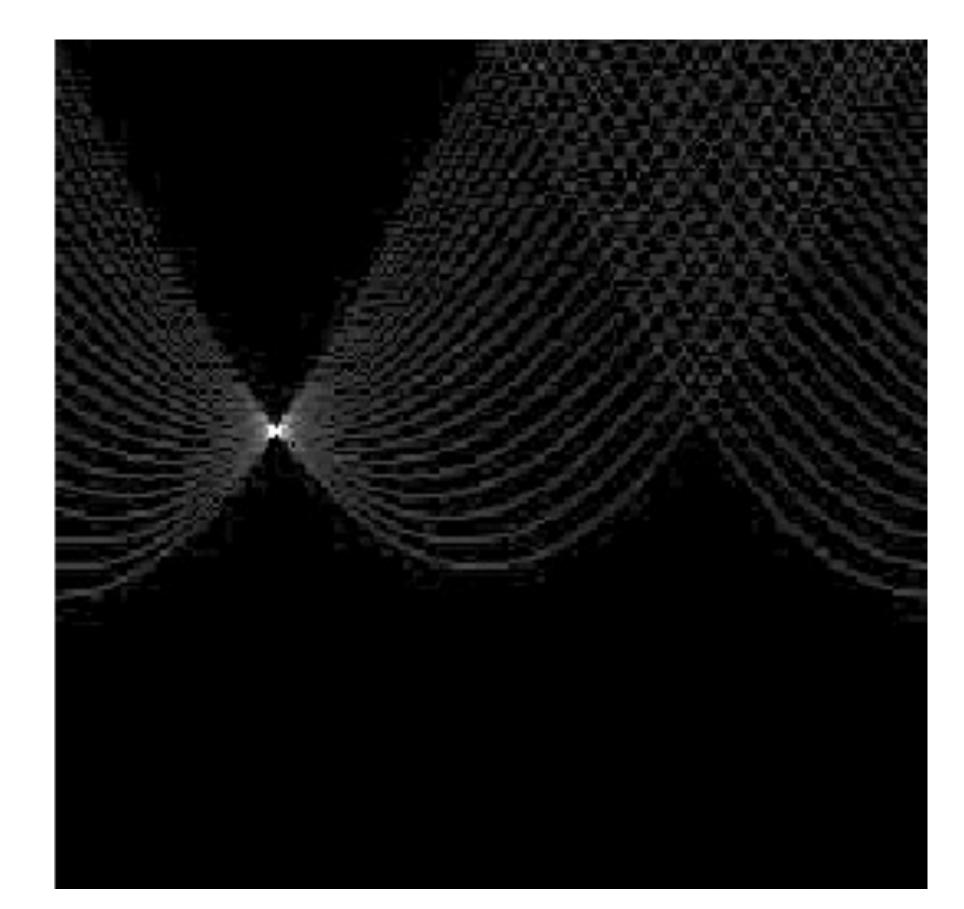




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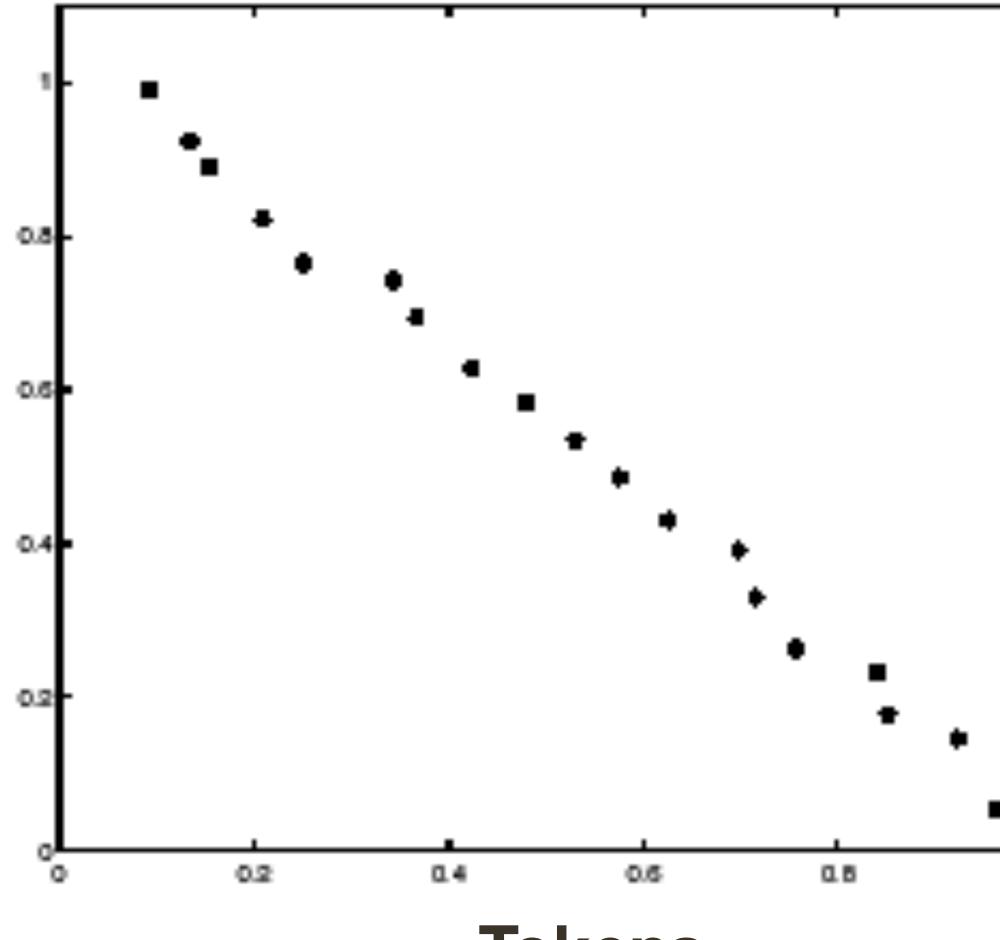


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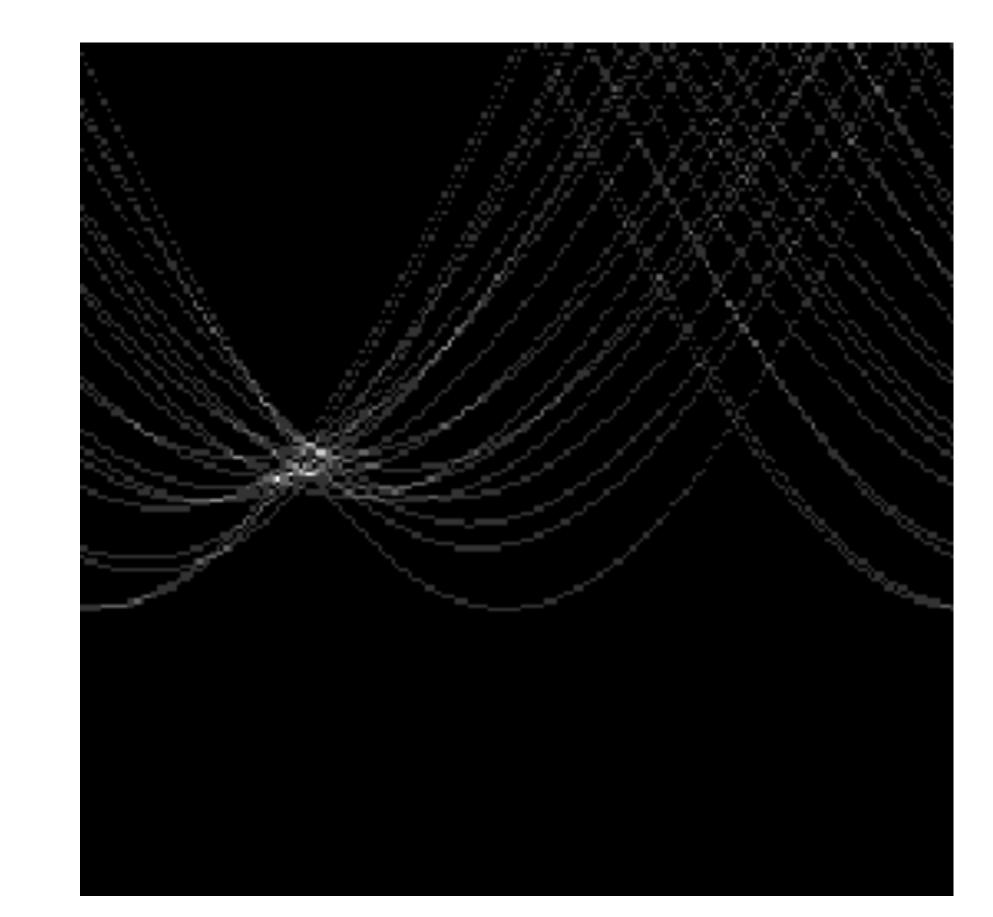


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Example: Some Noise

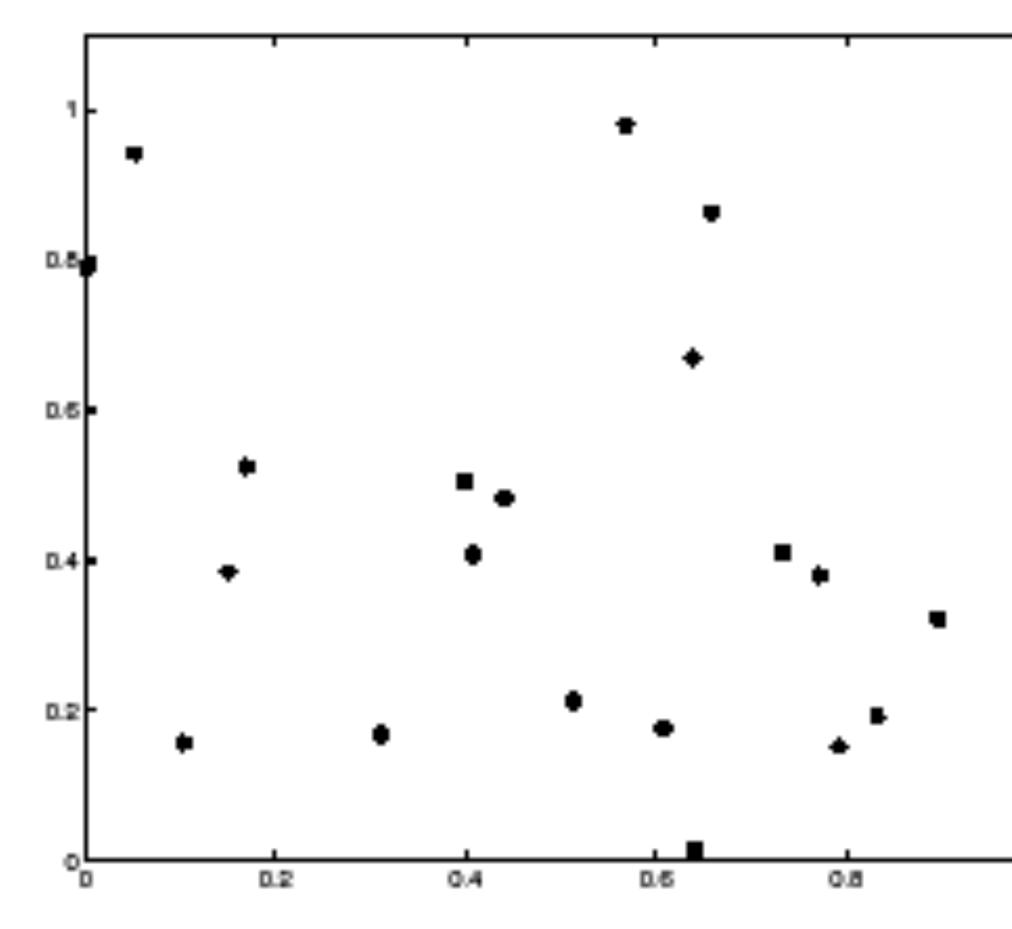


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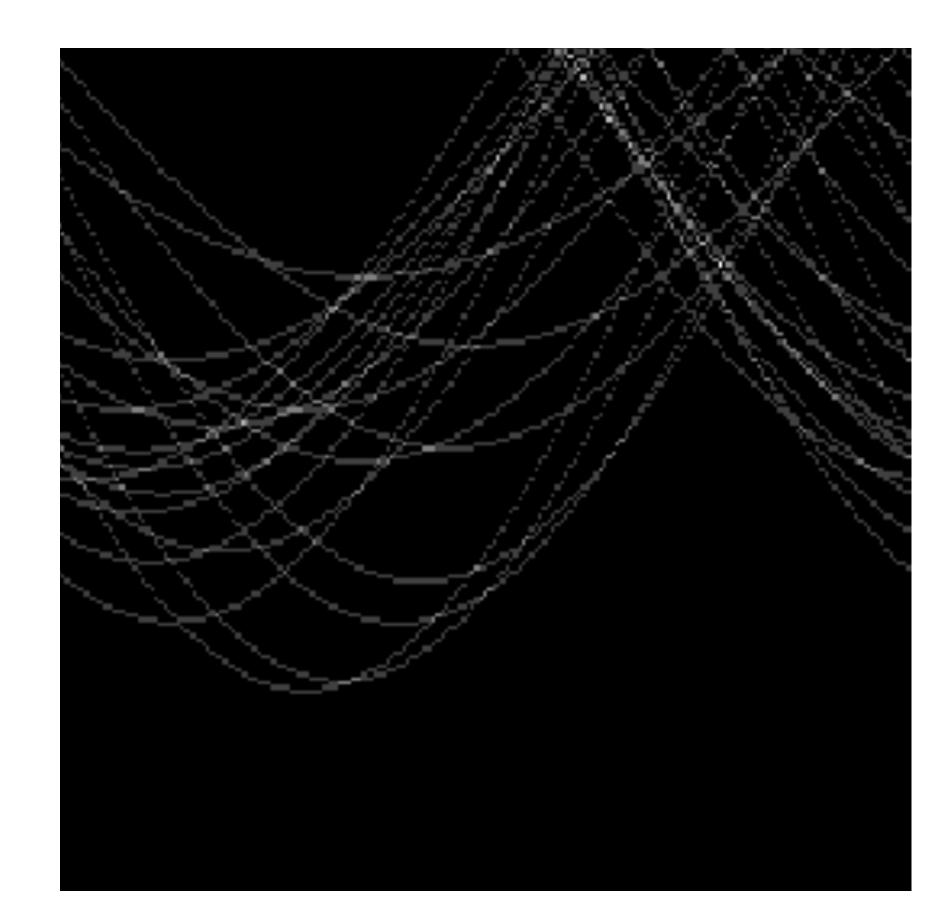


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Example: Too Much Noise



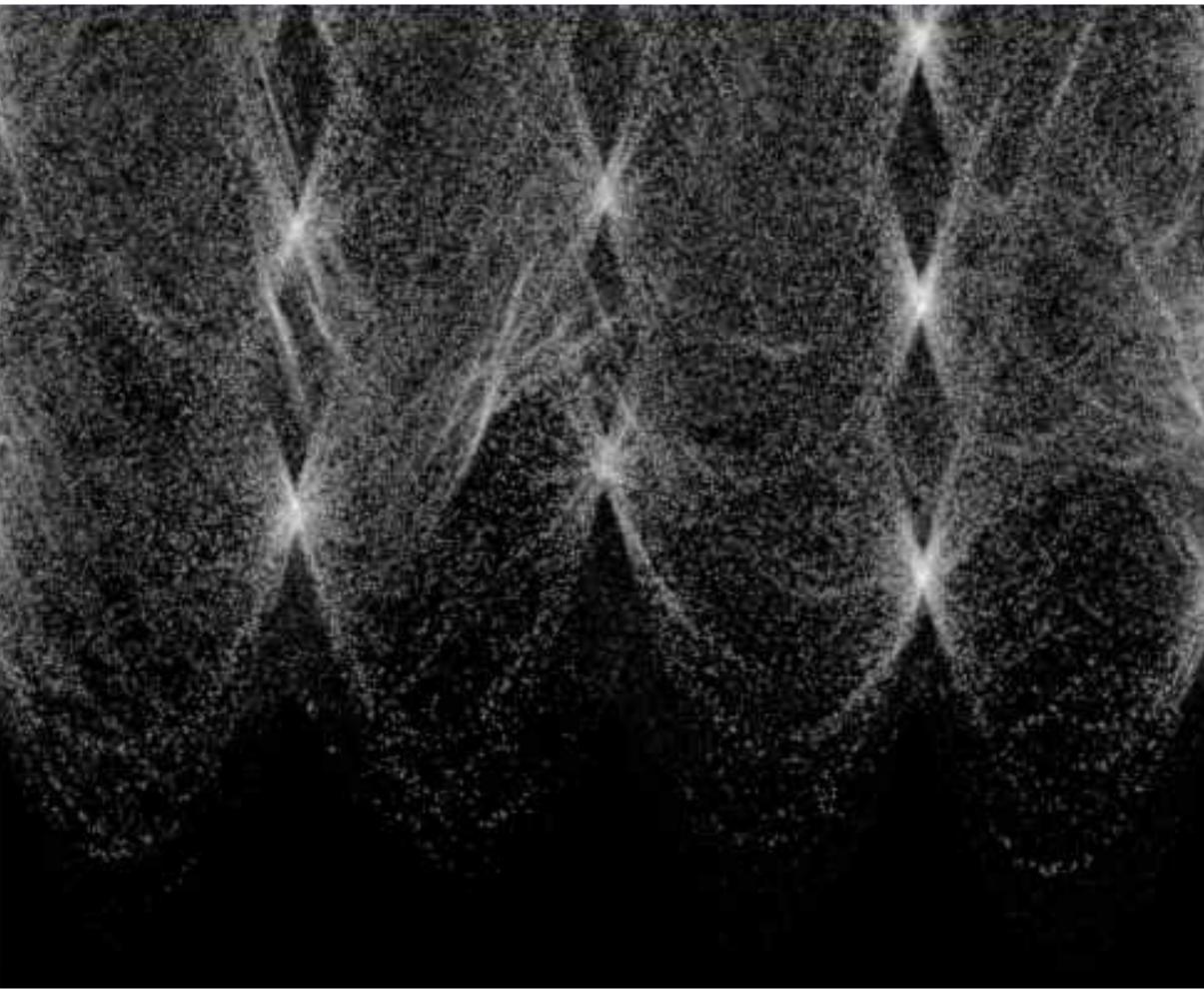
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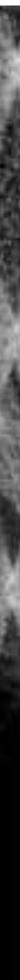


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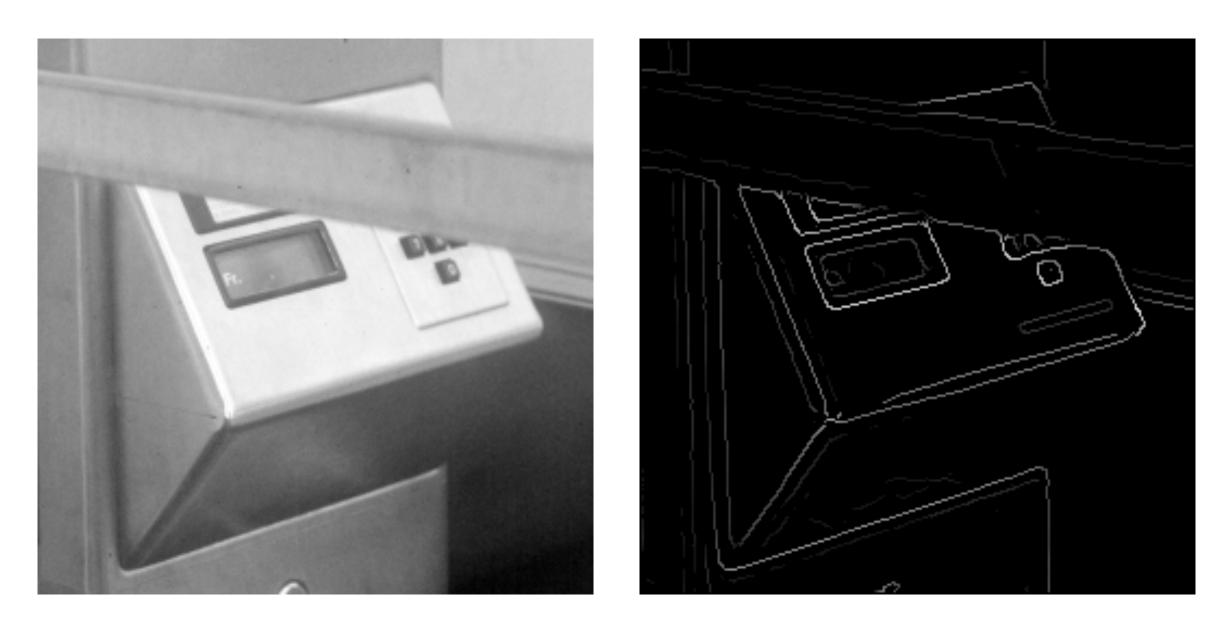
Real World Example







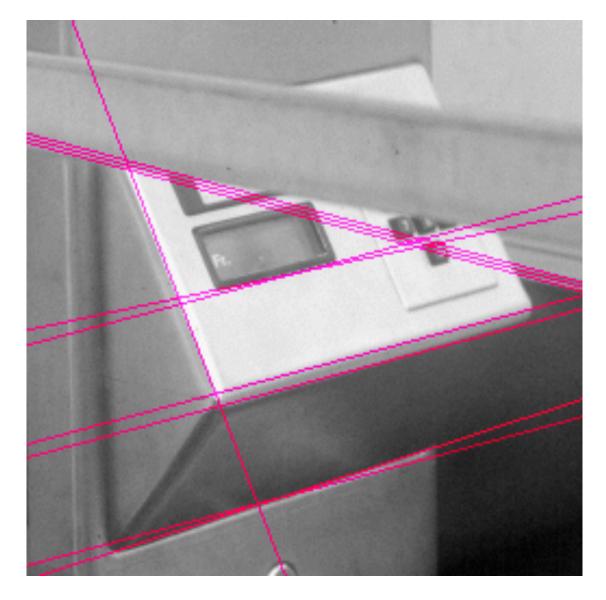
Real World **Example**



Original

Edges





Parameter space

Hough Lines

Slide Credit: Ioannis (Yannis) Gkioulekas (CMU)

Mechanics of Hough Transform

- **1**. Construct a quantized array to represent θ and r **2.** For each point, render curve (θ , r) into this array adding one vote at each cell

Difficulties:

small, and noise causes lines to be missed)

How many lines?

- Count the peaks in the Hough array
- Treat adjacent peaks as a single peak

- How big should the cells be? (too big, and we merge quite different lines; too

Some Practical Details of Hough Transform

It is best to **vote** for the two closest bins in each dimension, as the locations of the bin boundaries are arbitrary

- This means that peaks are "blurred" and noise will not cause similar votes to fall into separate bins

Can use a hash table rather than an array to store the votes - This means that no effort is wasted on initializing and checking empty bins - It avoids the need to predict the maximum size of the array, which can be

non-rectangular

Hough Transform: Transformation Space Voting

4 parameters of a **similarity transform** (x,y,s,theta)

parameter space of the transformation

This can be effective in preventing noise in the distribution, e.g., edge pass through a point.

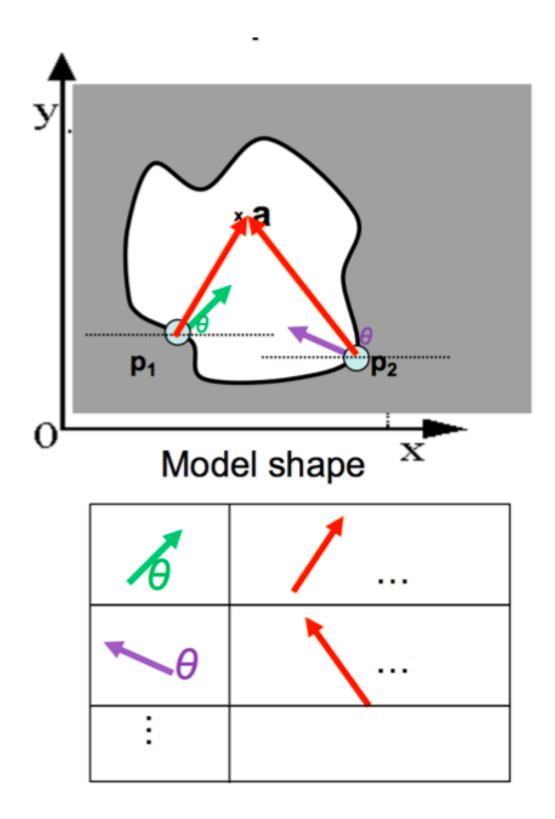
- Sometimes a single point / measurement can vote on the entire transformation
- e.g., SIFT keypoint matches with location, scale and orientation vote on the
- In this case, the votes of each sample can be seen as a **distribution in the**
- detections with orientation can vote on single lines rather than all lines that

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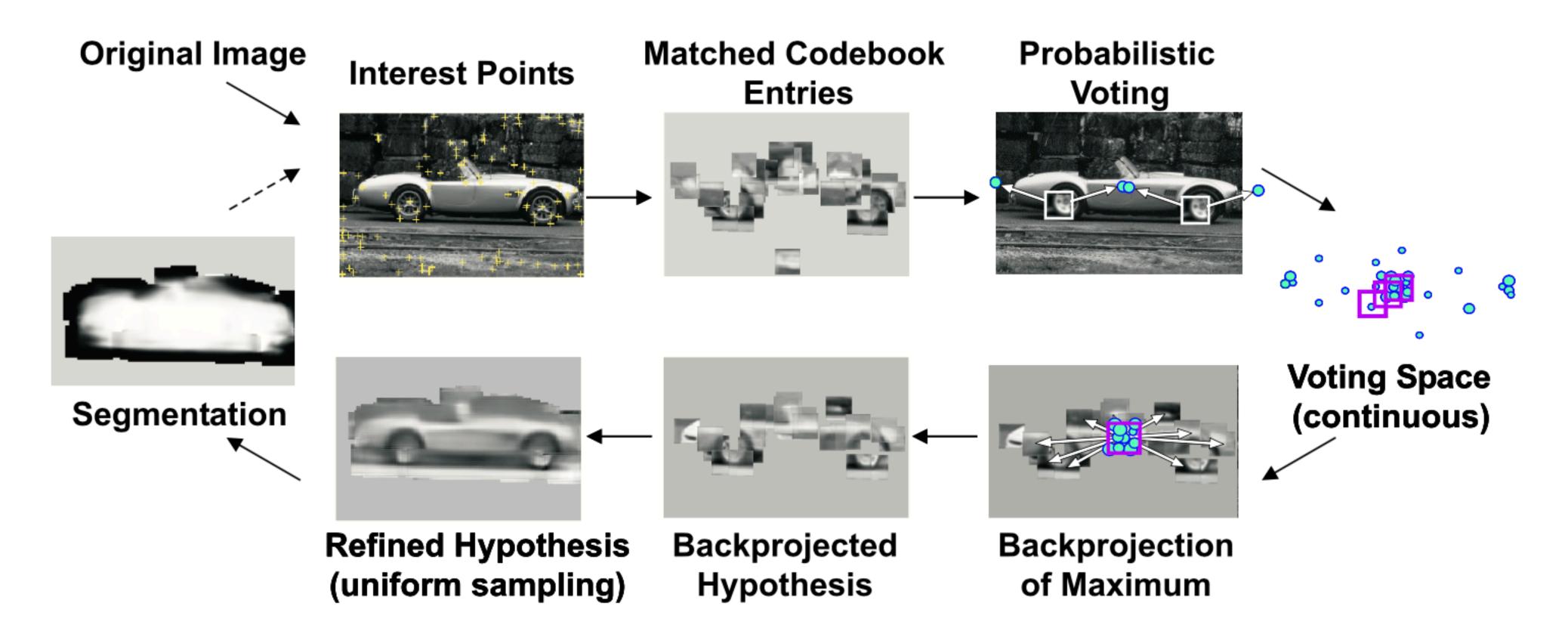
Dana H. Ballard, Generalizing the Hough Transform to Detect Arbitrary Shapes, 1980

Offline procedure:

At each boundary point, compute displacement vector: $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{p}_i$.

Store these vectors in a table indexed by gradient orientation θ .

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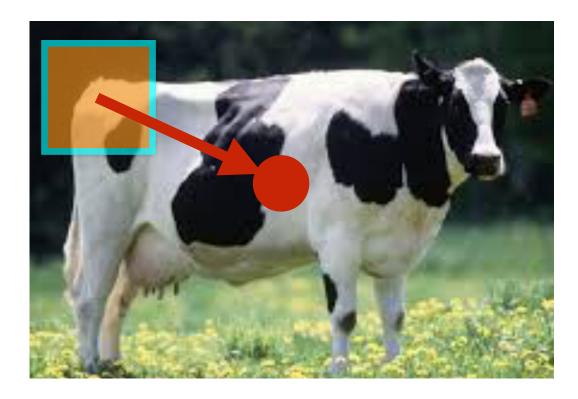


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Basic Idea:

- Find interest points/keypoints in an image (e.g., SIFT Keypoint detector or Corners)
- Match patch around each interest point to a training patch (e.g., SIFT Descriptor)
- Vote for object center given that training instances
- Find the patches that voted for the peaks (back-project)

"Training" images of cows



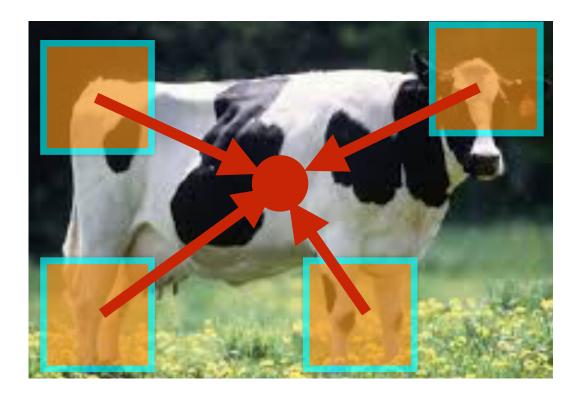
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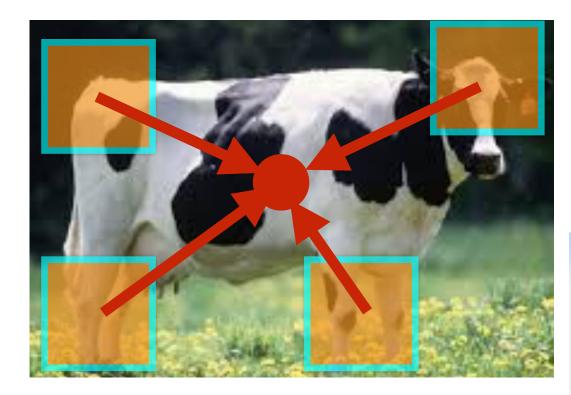
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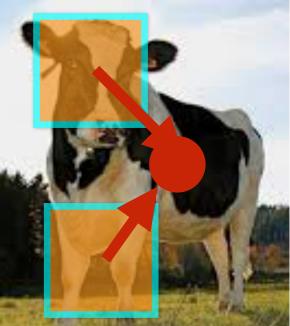






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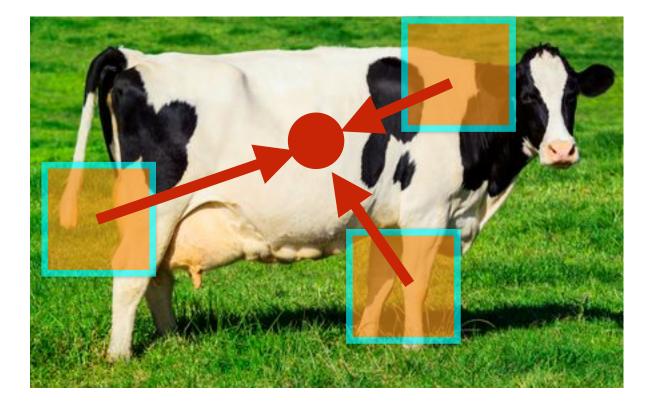


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"Testing" image





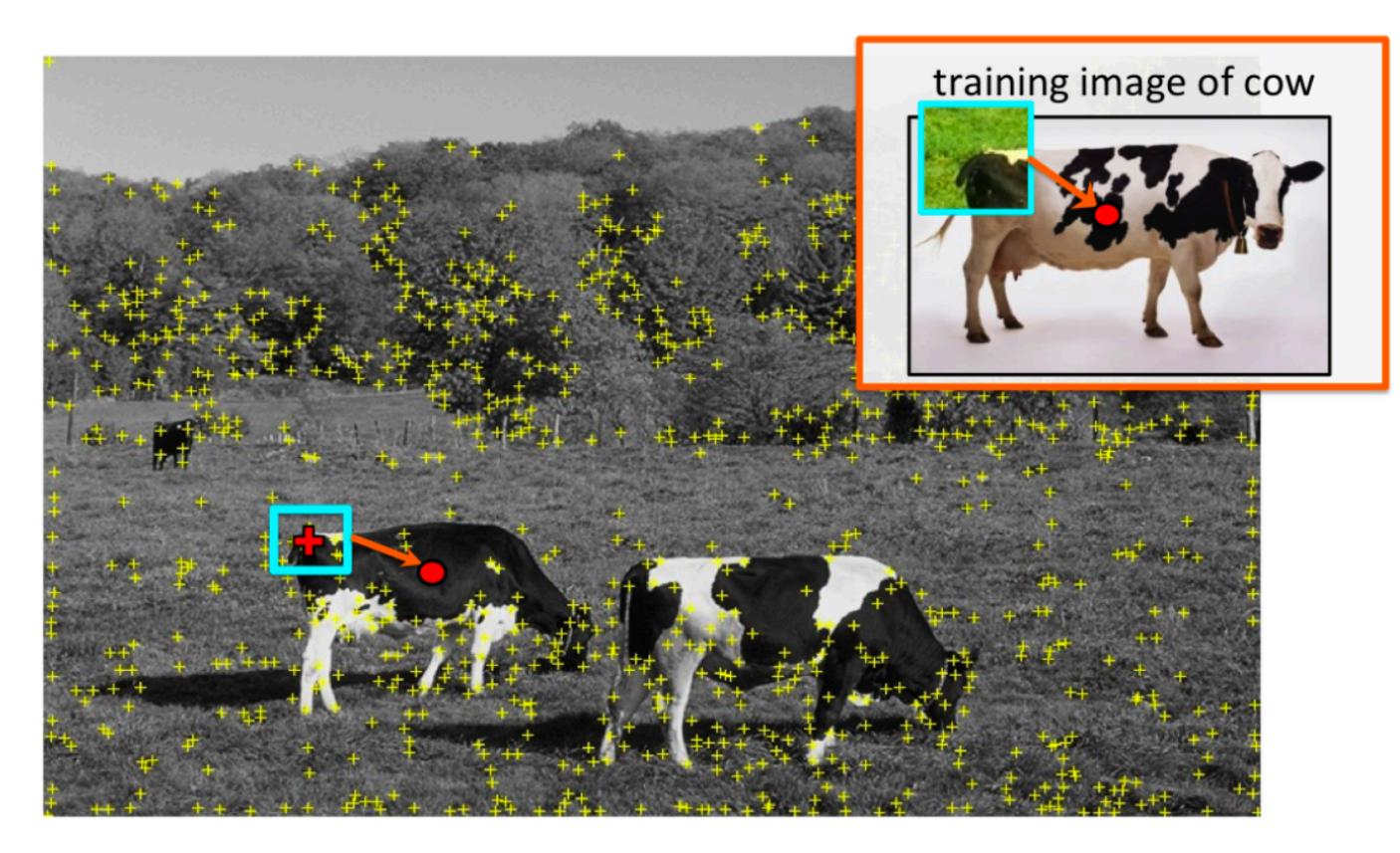
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Vote for center of object



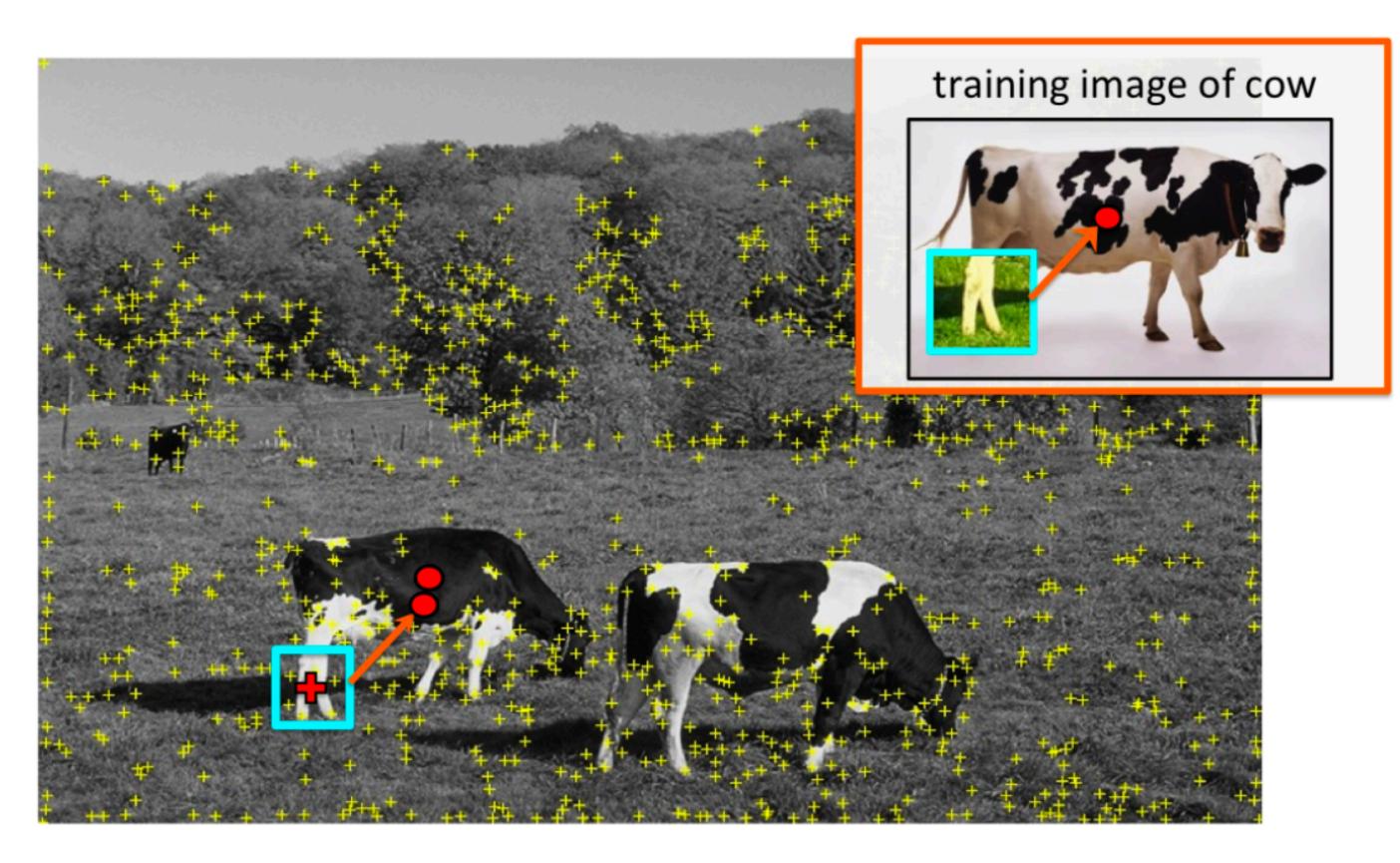
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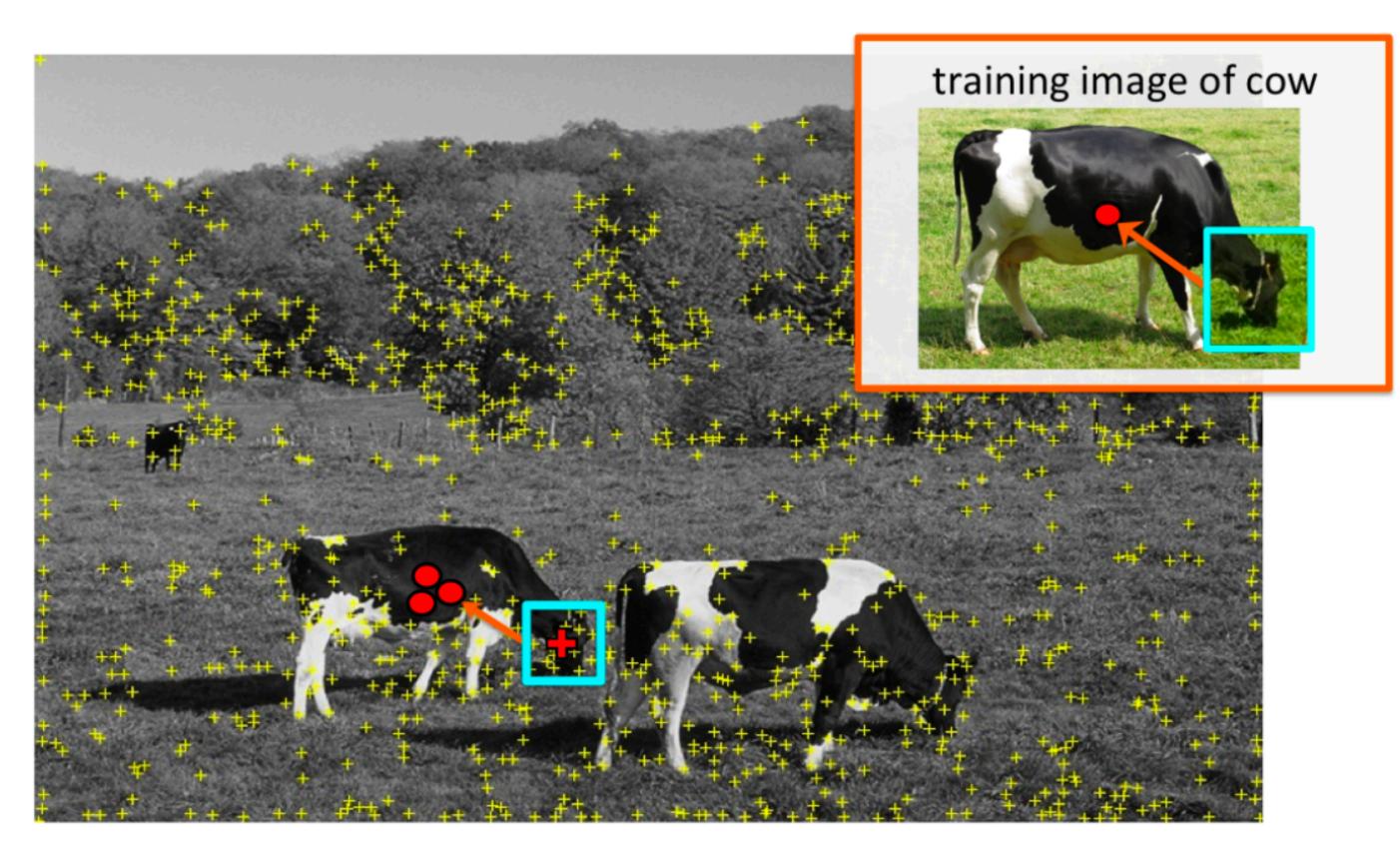
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Vote for center of object



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of course sometimes wrong votes are bound to happen

"Testing" image



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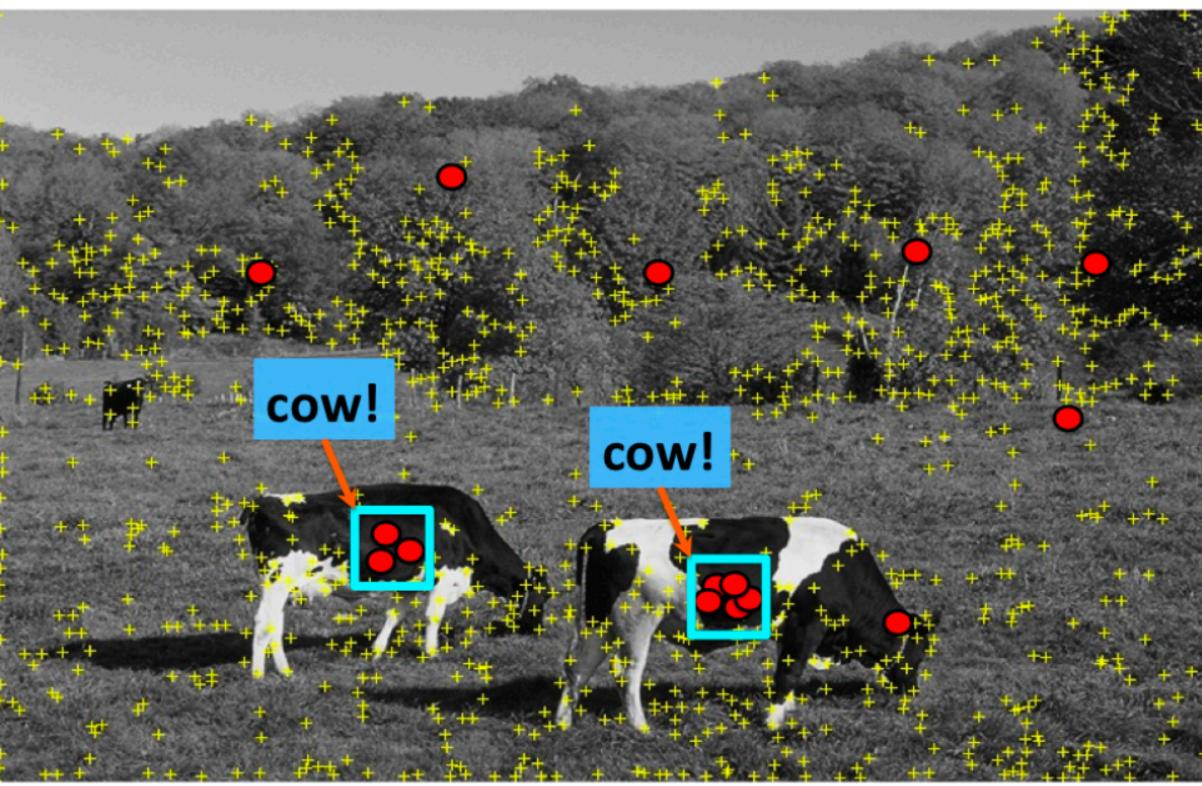






That's ok. We want only peaks in voting space.

"Testing" image





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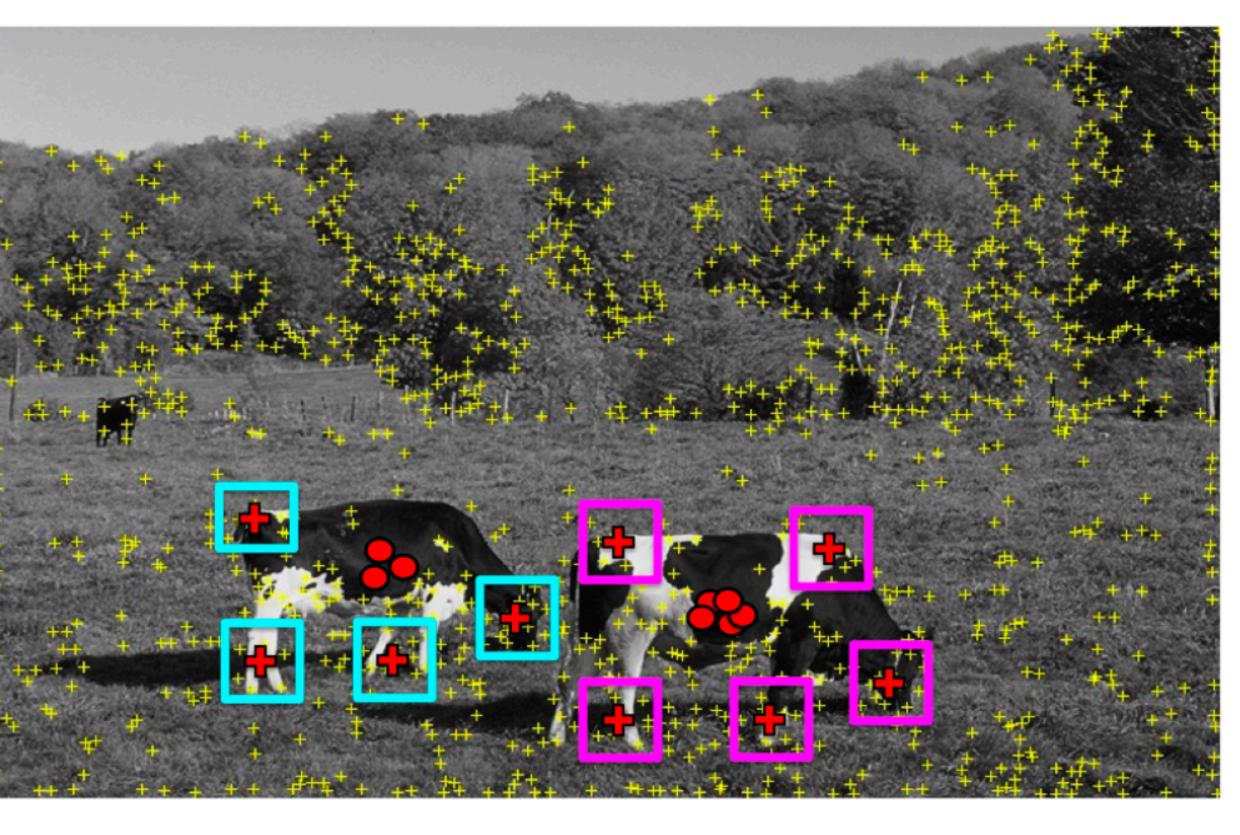








"Testing" image



Find patches that voted for the peaks (back-project)

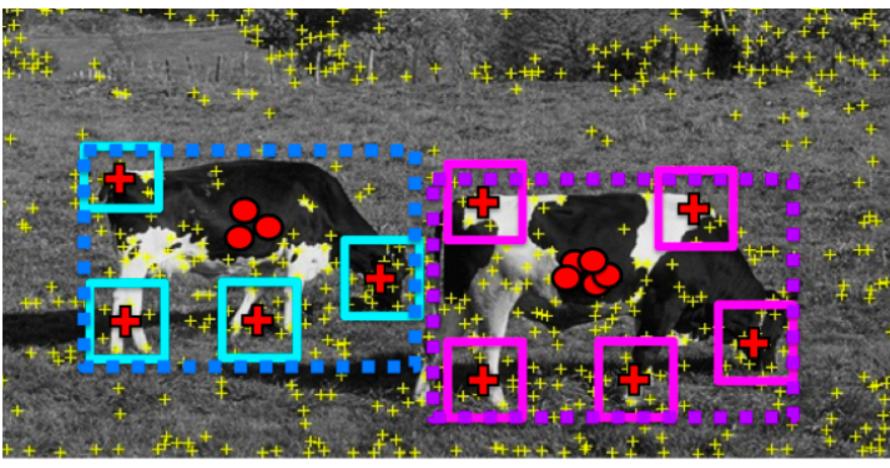




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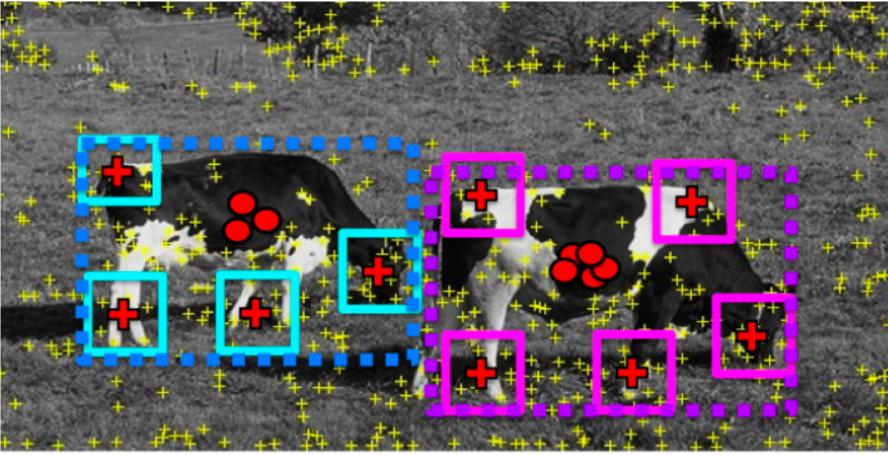
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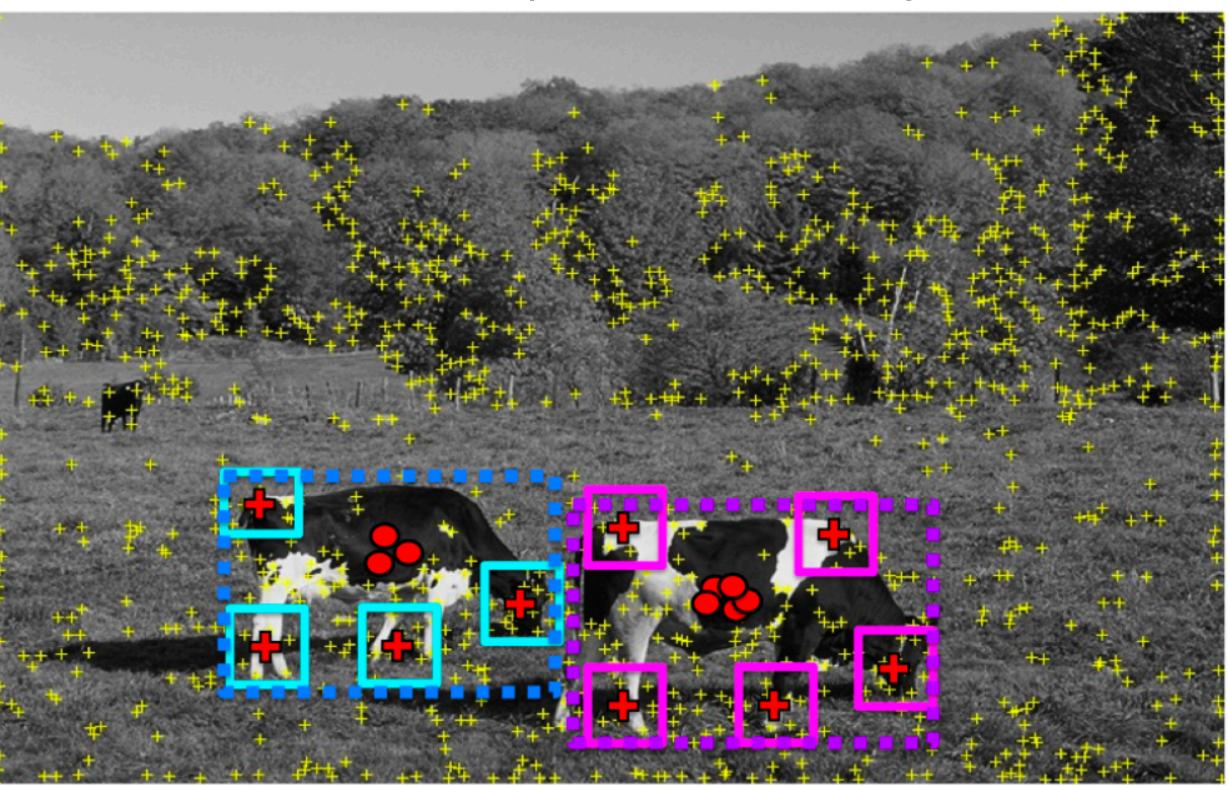
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"Testing" image box around patches = object



Find objects based on the back projected patches





"Training" images of cows







We need to match a patch around each yellow keypoint to all patches in all training images (**slow**)

"Testing" image

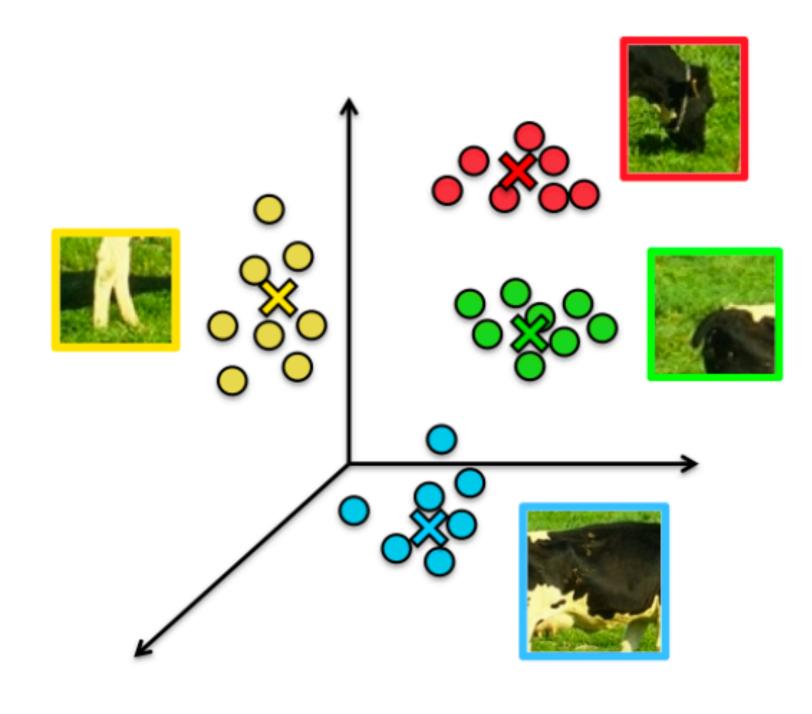






Visual Words

- Visual vocabulary (we saw this for retrieval)

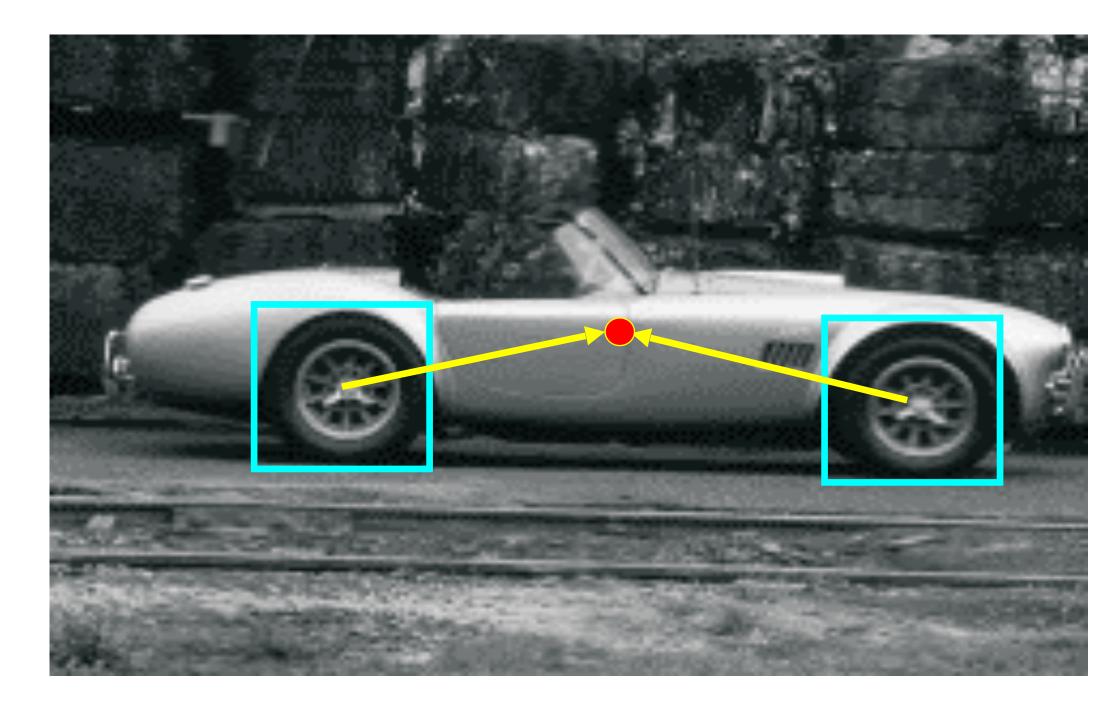


• Compare each patch to a small set of visual words (clusters)

Visual words (visual codebook)!

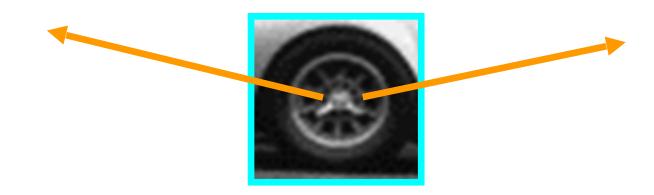


Index displacements by "visual codeword"



training image

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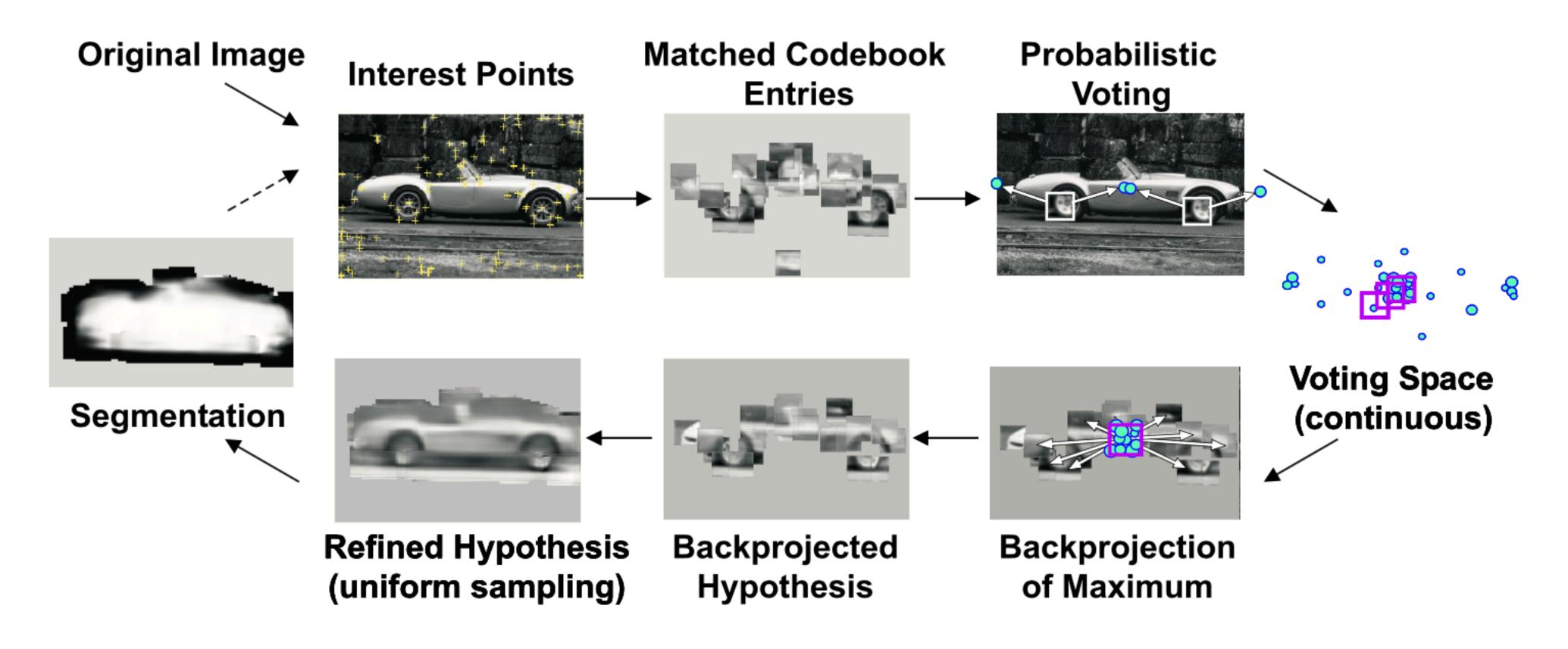
visual codeword with displacement vectors



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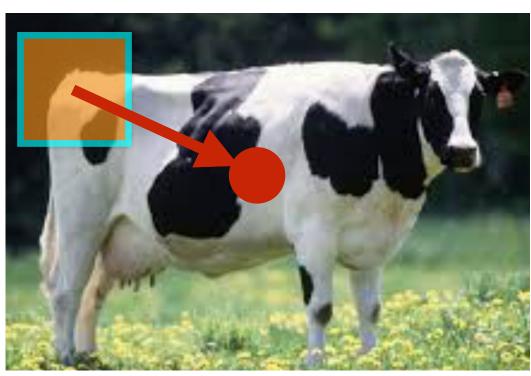
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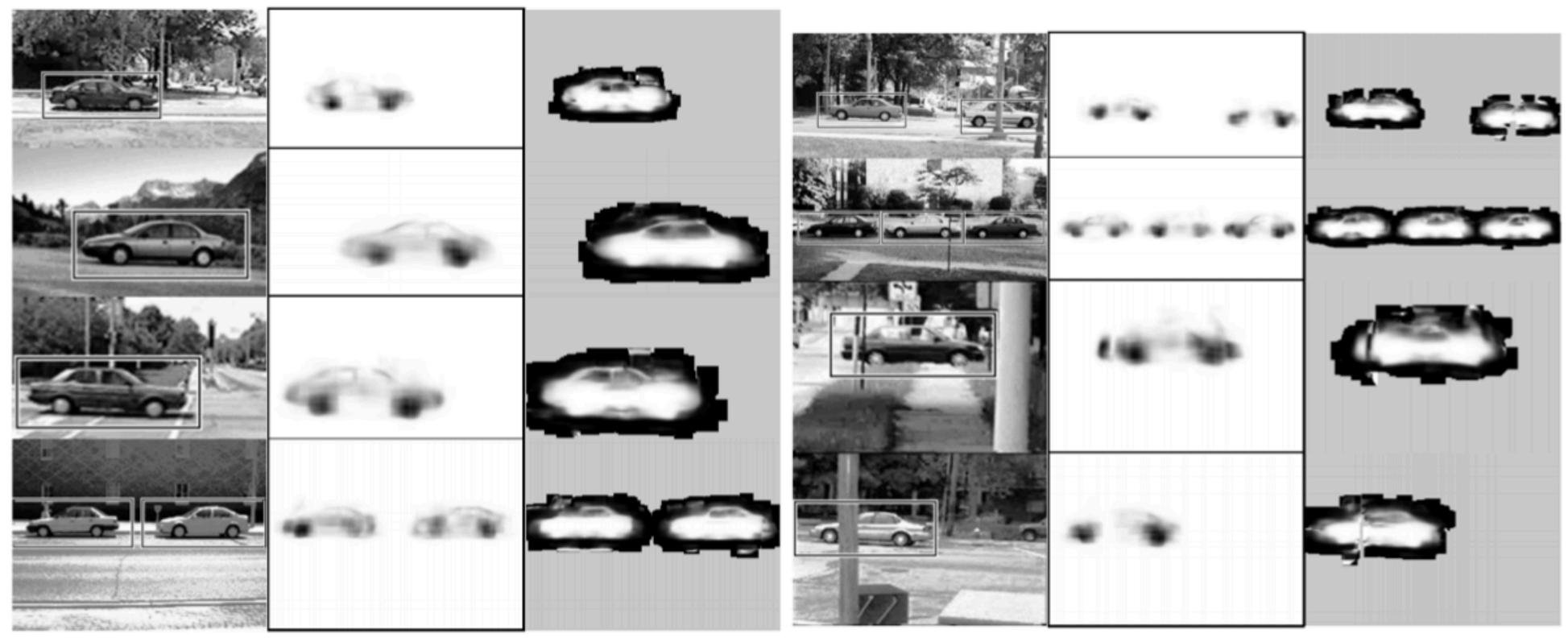








Inferring Other Information: Segmentation Idea: When back-projecting, back-project labeled segmentations per training patch



(a) detections

(b) p(figure)

(c) segmentation

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Inferring Other Information: Segmentation

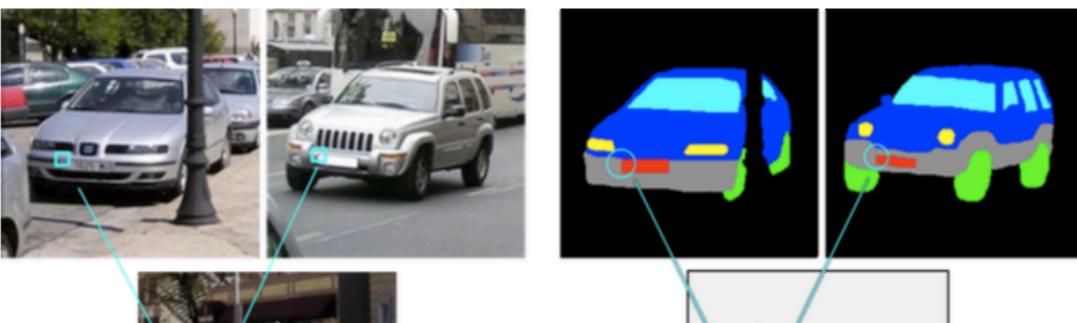


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Inferring Other Information: Part Labels

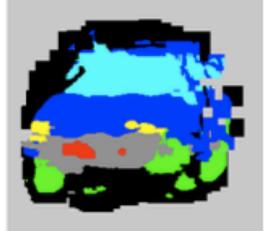
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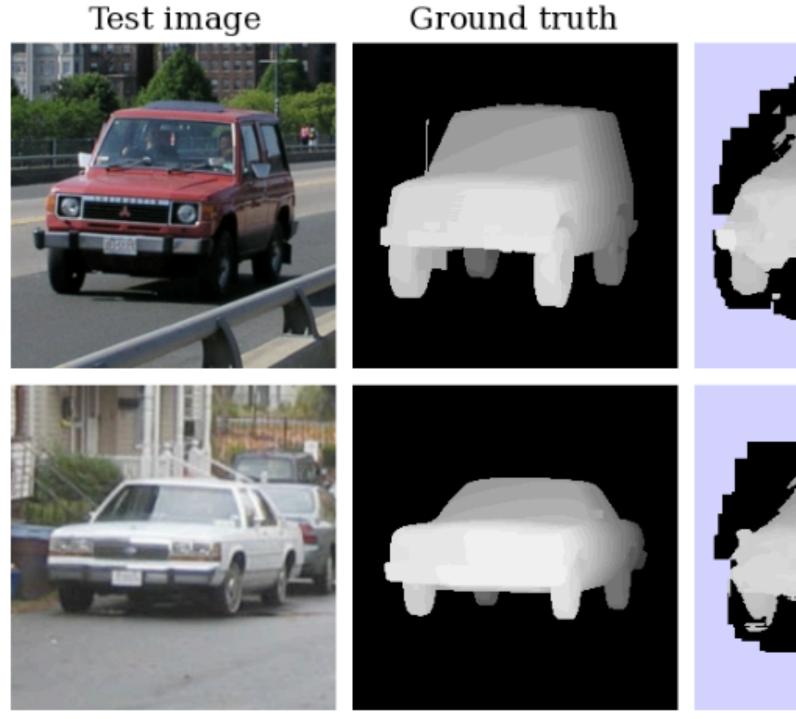
Output





Inferring Other Information: **Depth**

Test image



"Depth from a single image"

Result





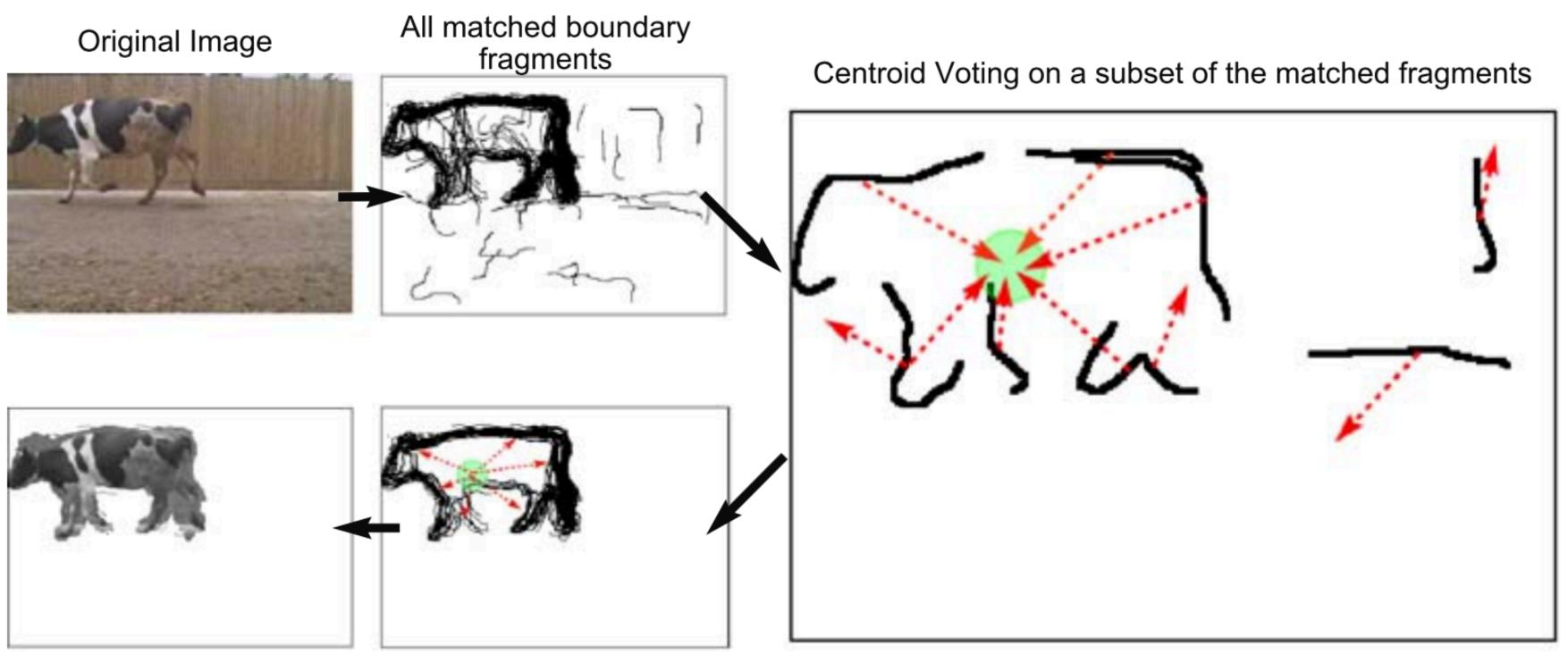






Example 2: Object Recognition — Boundary Fragments

an estimate of the object's contour.



Segmentation / Detection Backprojected Maximum

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Image credit: Opelt et al., 2006



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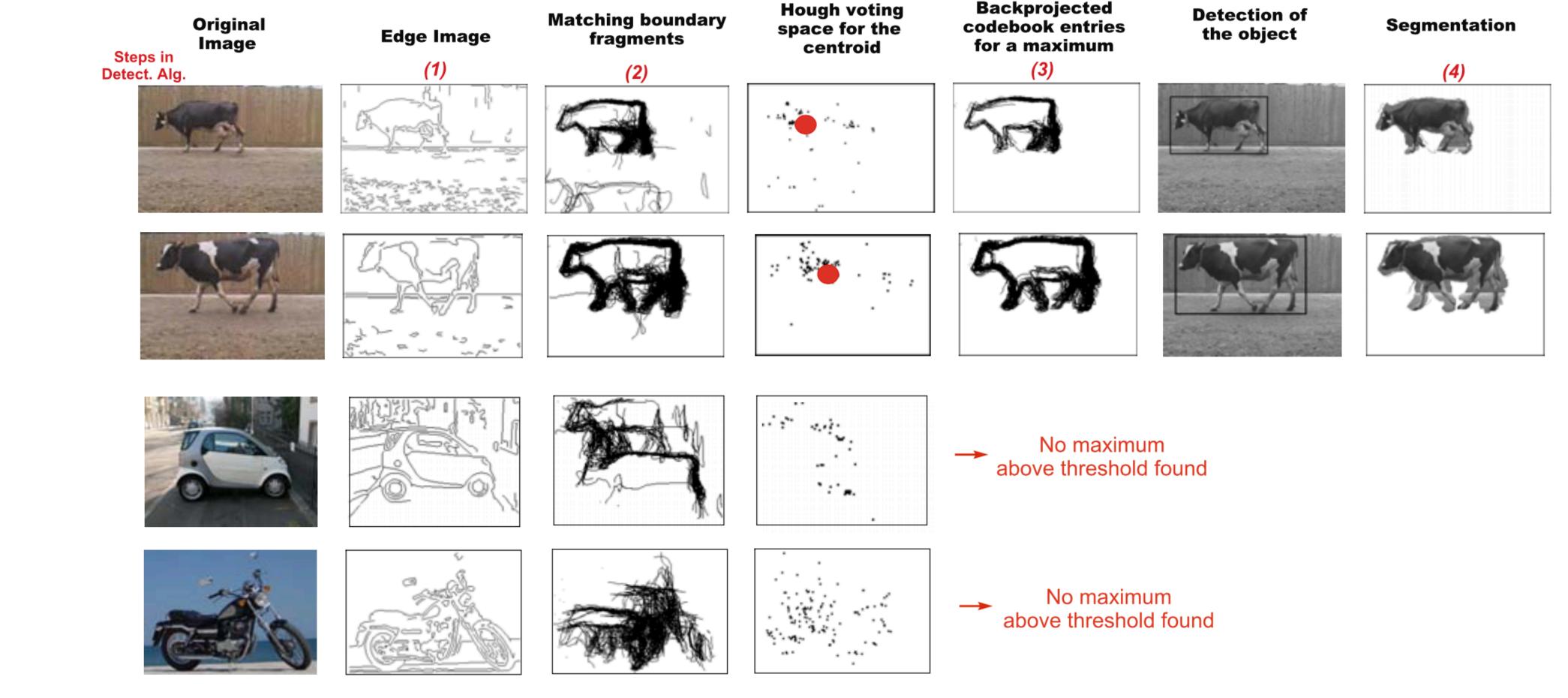


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Example 3: Deep Hough Voting

Voting from input point cloud 3D detection output

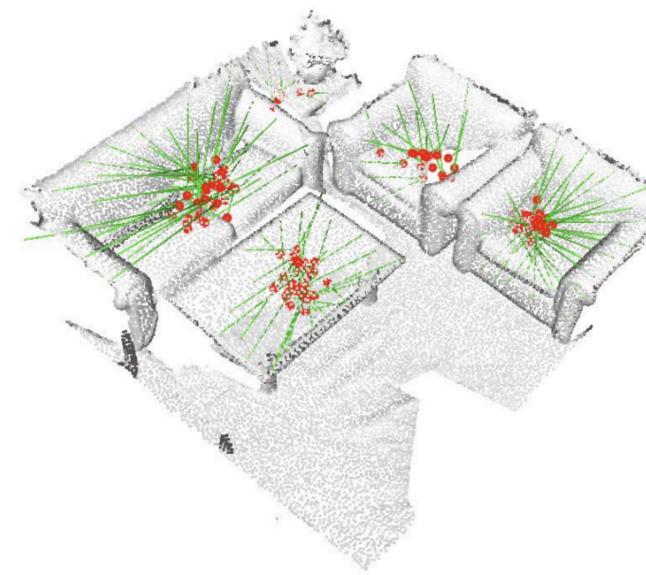


Figure 1. 3D object detection in point clouds with a deep Hough voting model. Given a point cloud of a 3D scene, our VoteNet votes to object centers and then groups and aggregates the votes to predict 3D bounding boxes and semantic classes of objects.

[Qi et al., 2019, ICCV]



Example 3: Deep Hough Voting



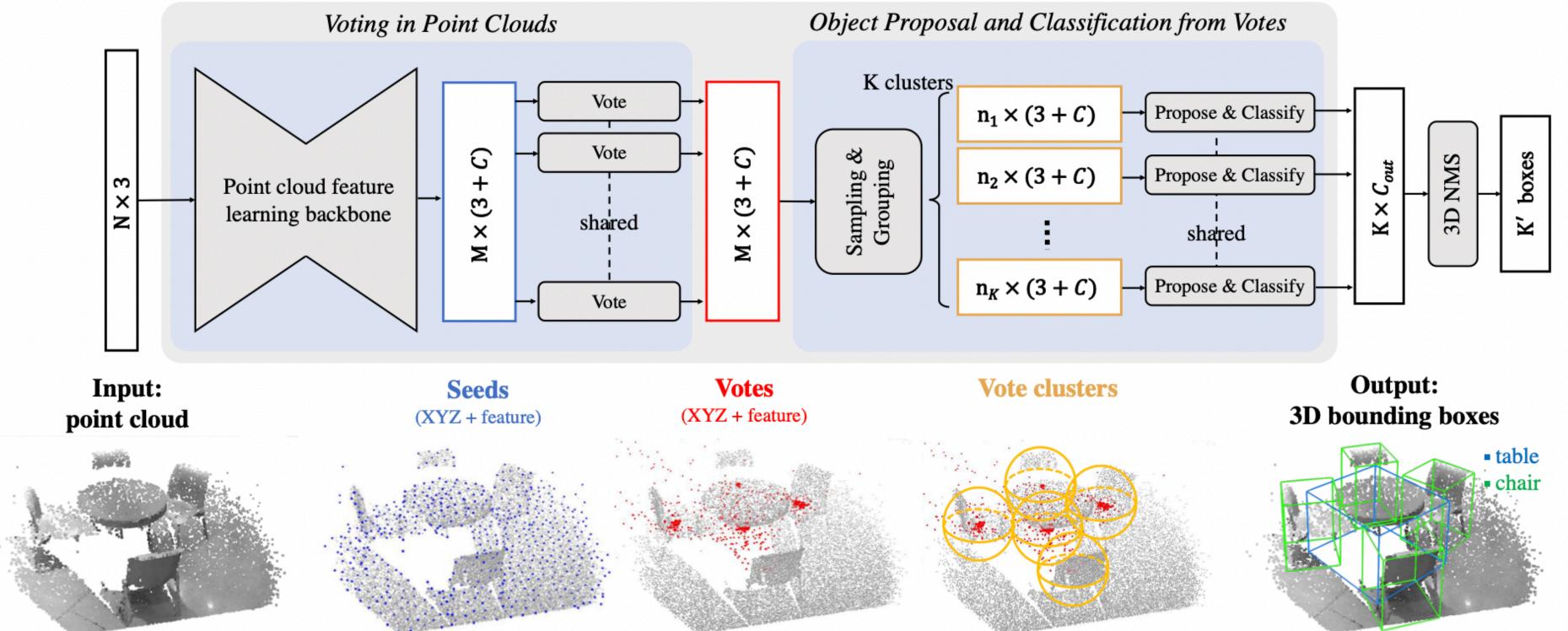


Figure 2. Illustration of the VoteNet architecture for 3D object detection in point clouds. Given an input point cloud of N points with final proposals. The classified and NMSed proposals become the final 3D bounding boxes output. Image best viewed in color.

XYZ coordinates, a backbone network (implemented with PointNet++ [36] layers) subsamples and learns deep features on the points and outputs a subset of M points but extended by C-dim features. This subset of points are considered as seed points. Each seed independently generates a vote through a voting module. Then the votes are grouped into clusters and processed by the proposal module to generate the

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Summary of Hough Transform

Idea of **Hough transform**:

 For each token vote for all models to which the token could belong Return models that get many votes e.g., For each point, vote for all lines that could pass through it; the true lines will pass through many points and so receive many votes

Advantages:

- Can handle high percentage of outliers: each point votes separately Can detect multiple instances of a model in a single pass

Disadvantages:

- Search time increases exponentially with the number of model parameters Can be tricky to pick a good bin size