

# Video Stabilization

**Graphics, Vision and Video - Interdisciplinary Topics in Visual Computing**

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# Structure

- The Problem
- Solution techniques
- Conclusions
  
- Discussion

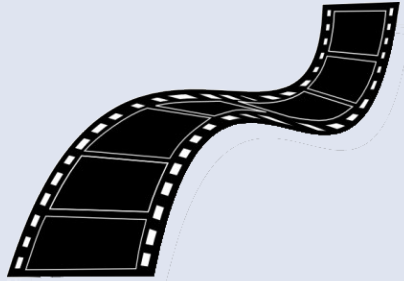
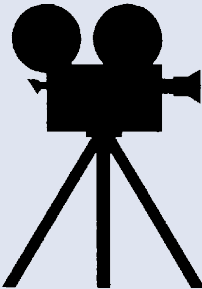


# The Problem

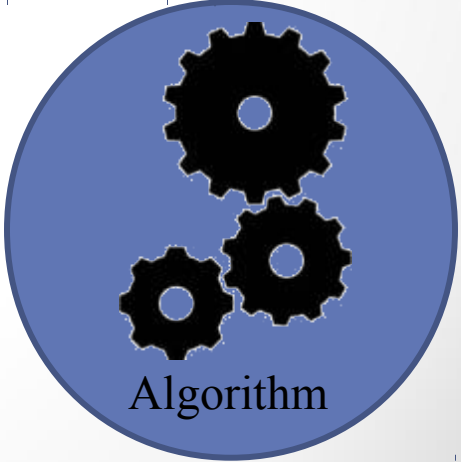


# Solution

Source



Solution



Algorithm

# What do we want

Frame 1

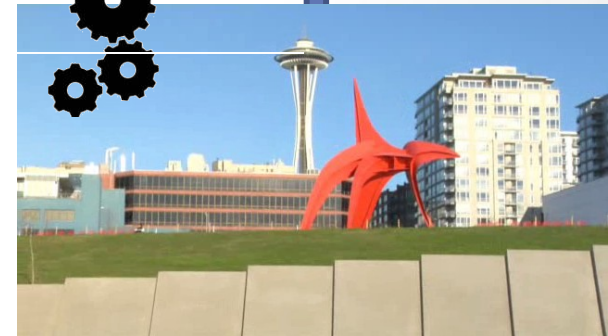
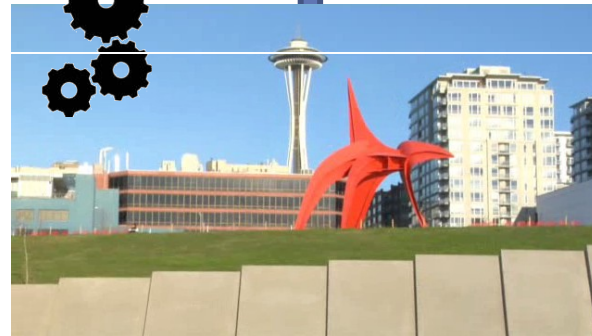
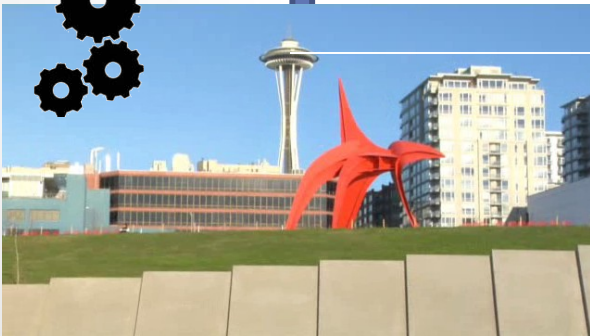
Frame 2

Frame 3

Input

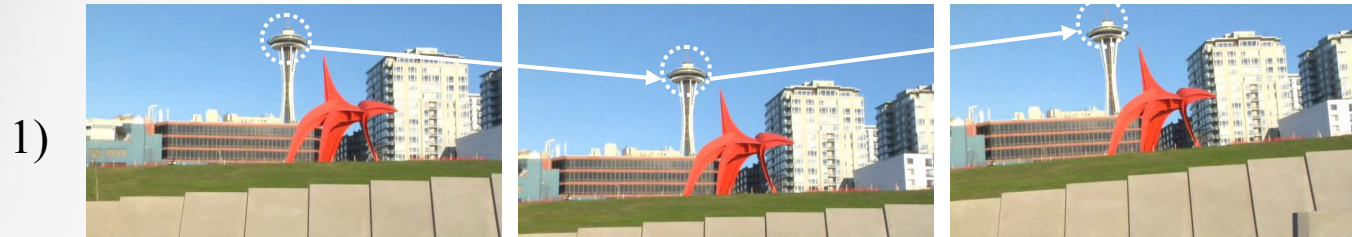


Output

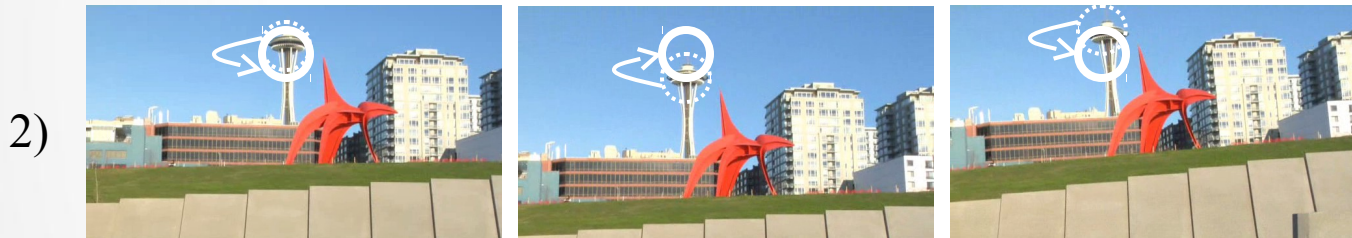


time →

# What is needed



Motion  
Estimation



Motion  
Compensation

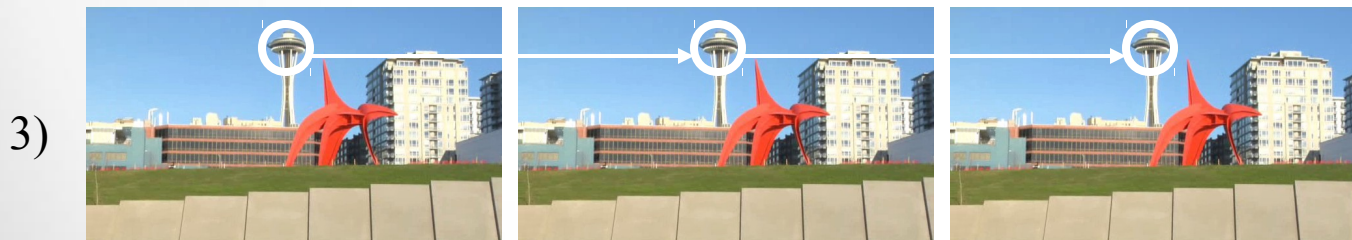
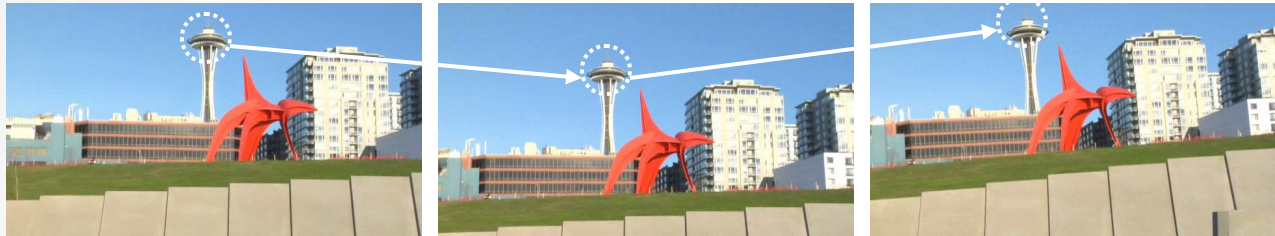


Image  
Composition

# Motion Estimation

1)

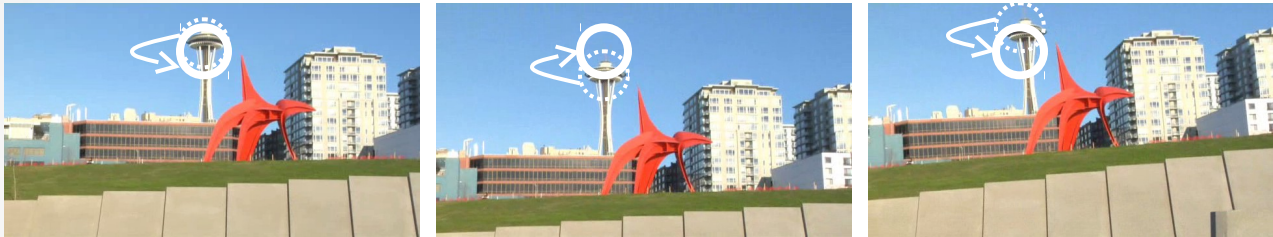


Motion  
Estimation

- Feature-based approach
  - KLT Tracker
  - SIFT matching
  - ...

# Motion Compensation

2)



Motion  
Compensation

- 2D approach
- 3D approach
  - Structure-from-Motion (SFM)
- Subspace approach [*Liu et al. 2011*]



# Image Composition

3)

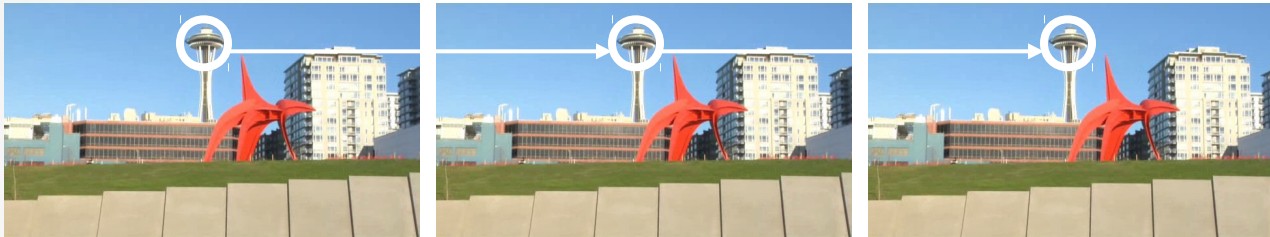
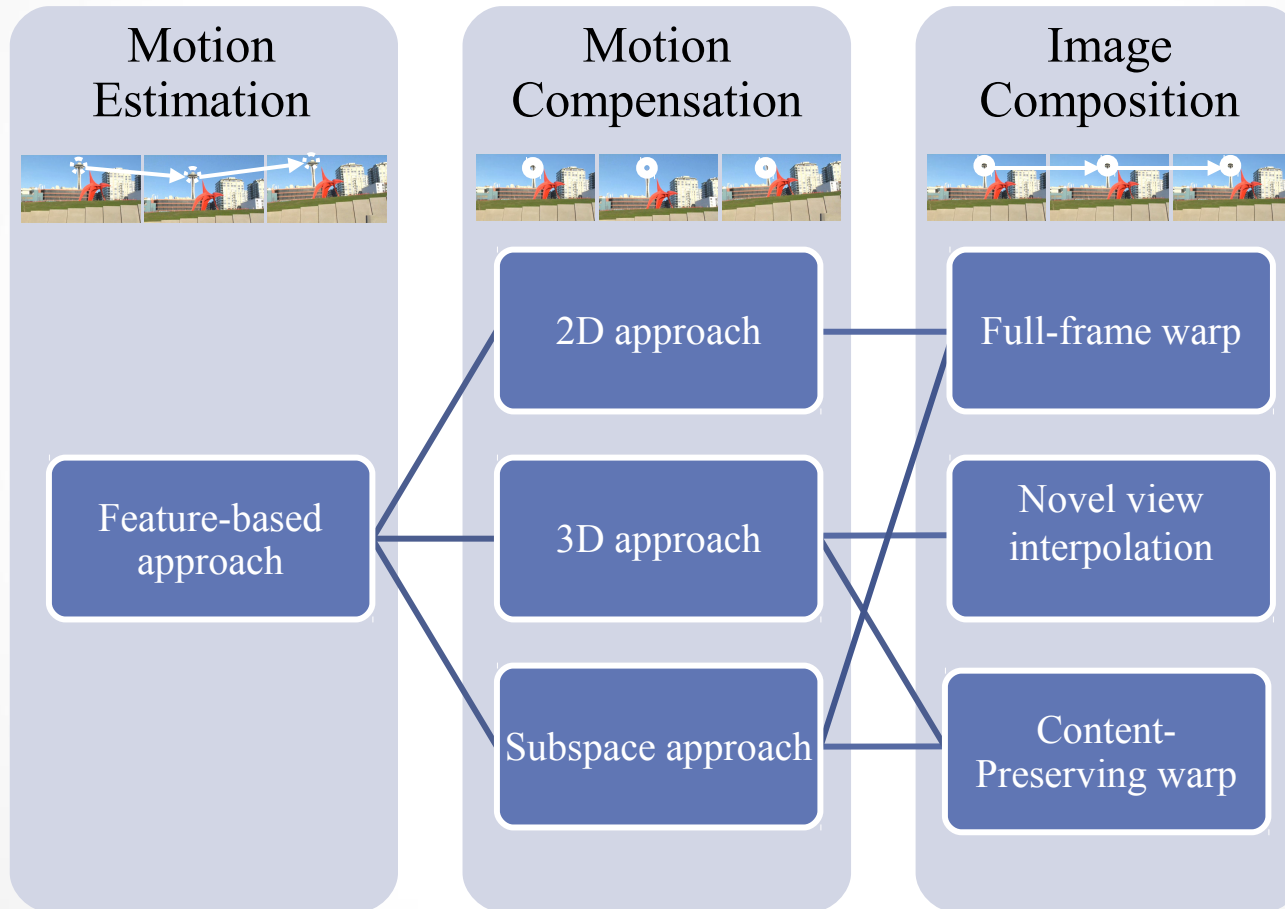


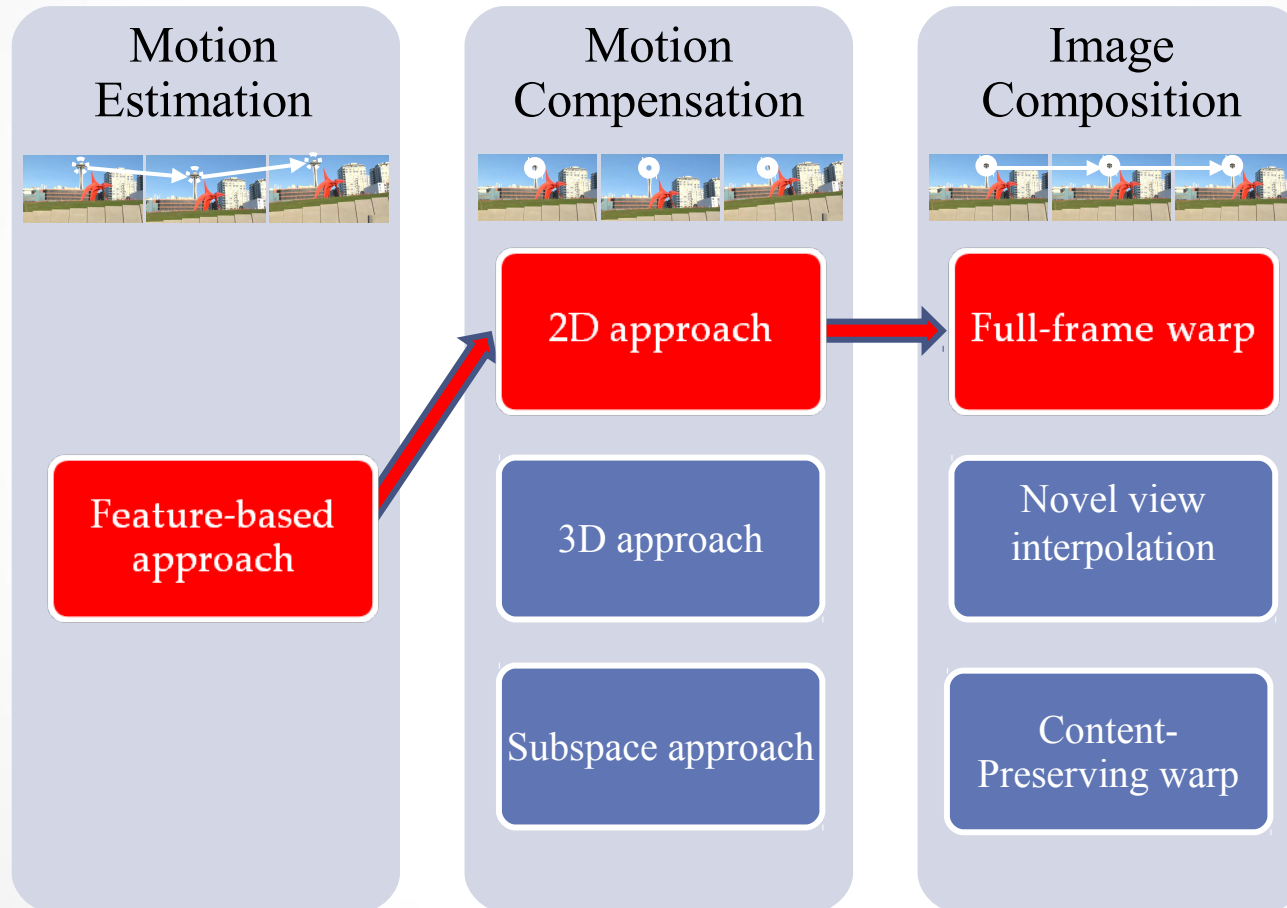
Image  
Composition

- Novel view interpolation (3D)
  - The Lumigraph
  - View-dependent texture mapping (VDTM)
  - ...
- Full-frame Warp (2D)
- Content-preserving Warp [Liu et al. 2009]

# The complete flow



# 2D Stabilization

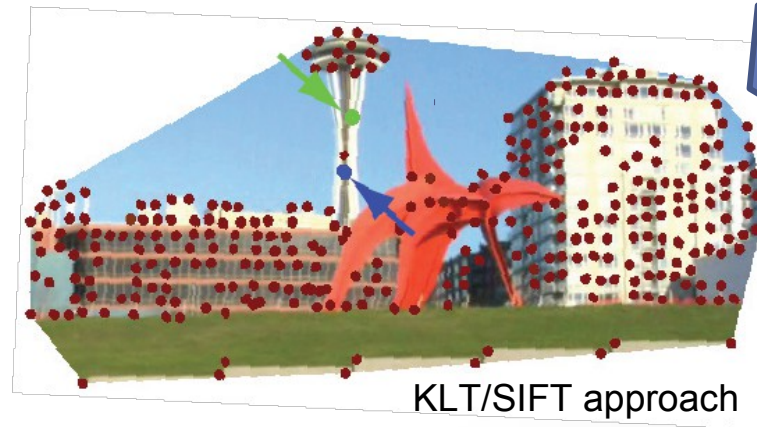


# 2D Stabilization

Motion  
Estimation



Feature-based  
approach



KLT/SIFT approach

# 2D Stabilization

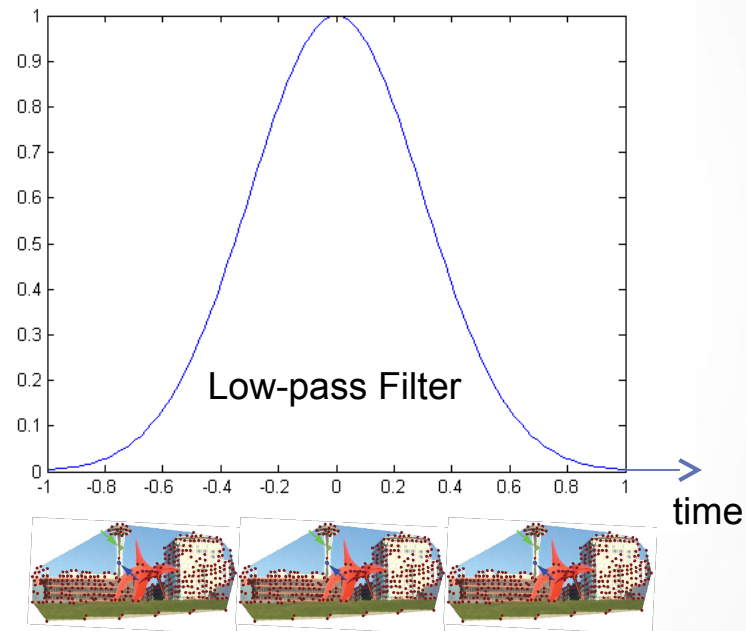
Motion  
Compensation



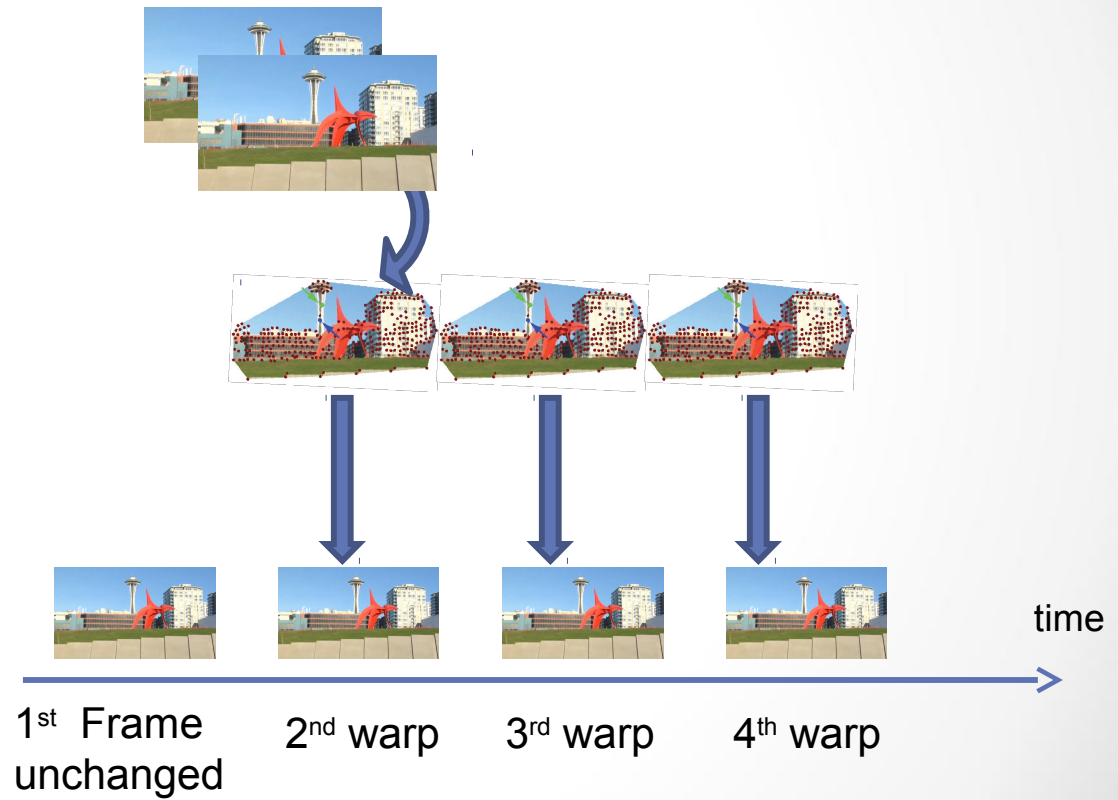
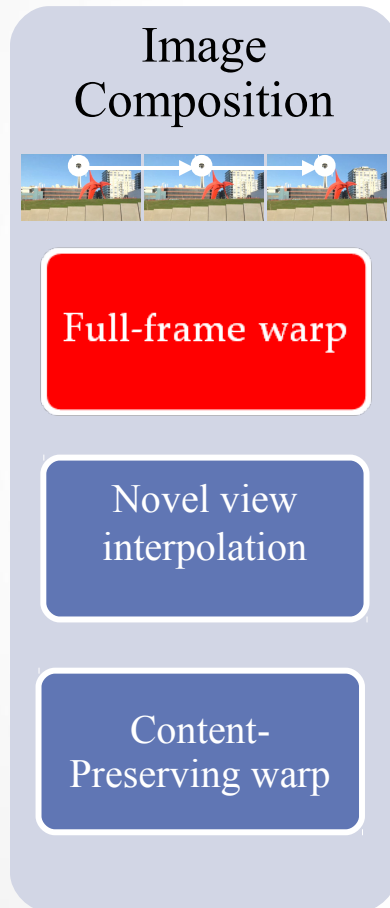
2D approach

3D approach

Subspace approach



# 2D Stabilization



# 2D Stabilization

Image  
Composition

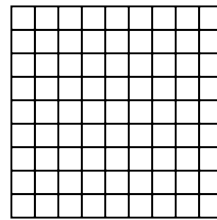


Full-frame warp

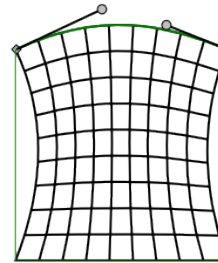
Novel view  
interpolation

Content-  
Preserving warp

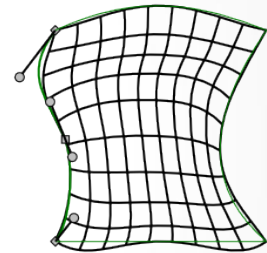
*Image Warping*



Original



Warp  
example



Warp  
example

# 2D Stabilization

Original shaky video





# 2D Stabilization

Stabilized video



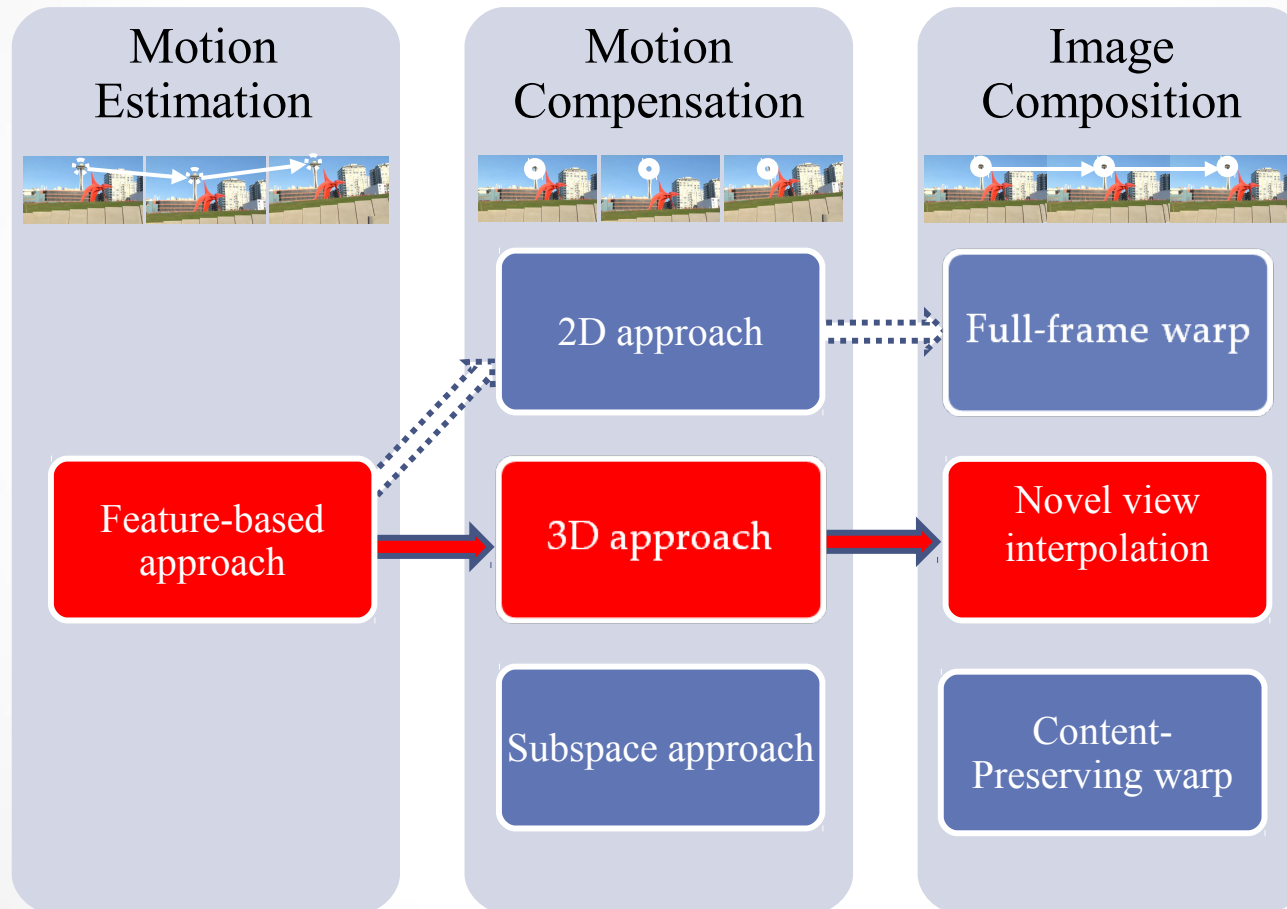
# 2D Stabilization

- ✓ Significantly reduces camera-shake
- ✓ Efficient
- ✗ Not consistent with the geometry of the scene



3D Stabilization

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# 3D Stabilization

## Motion Compensation

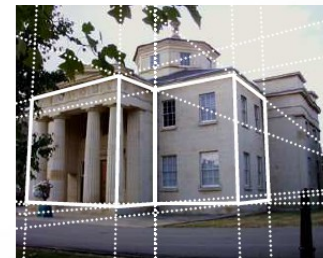
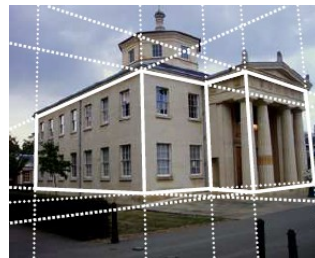
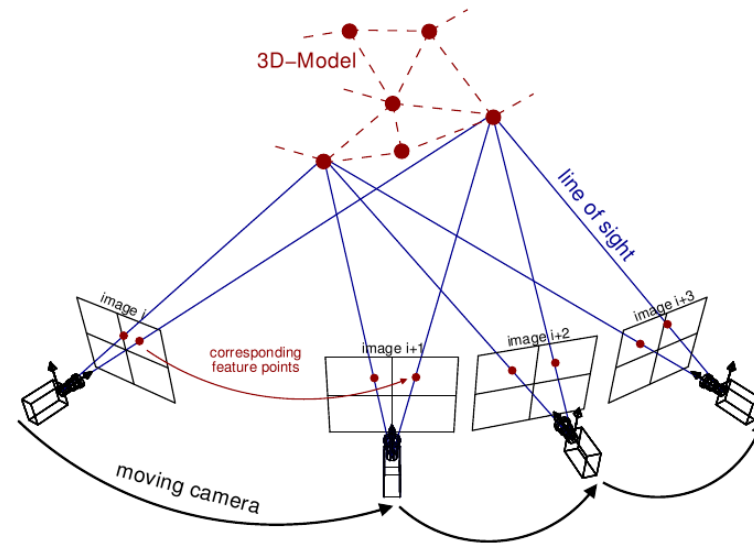


2D approach

3D approach

Subspace approach

- Structure-from-Motion (SFM)



# 3D Stabilization

## Motion Compensation

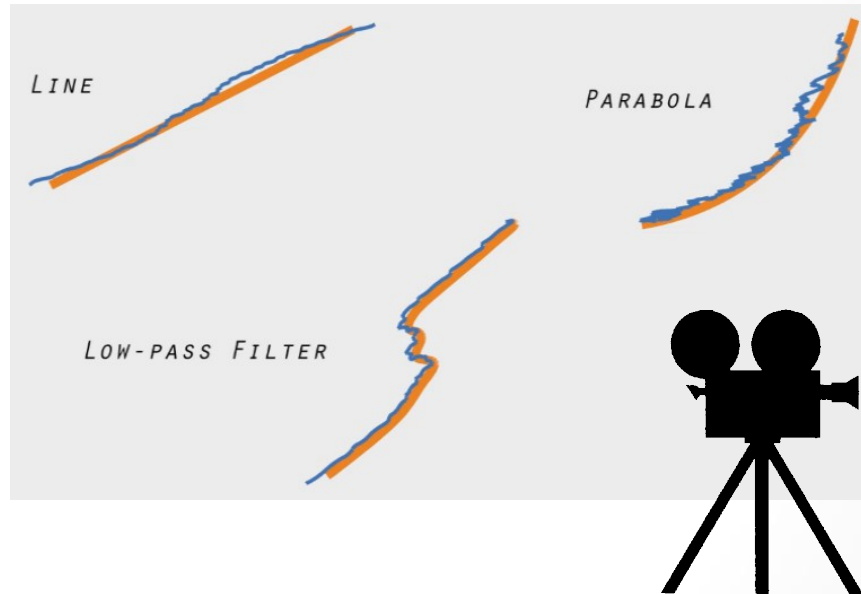


2D approach

3D approach

Subspace approach

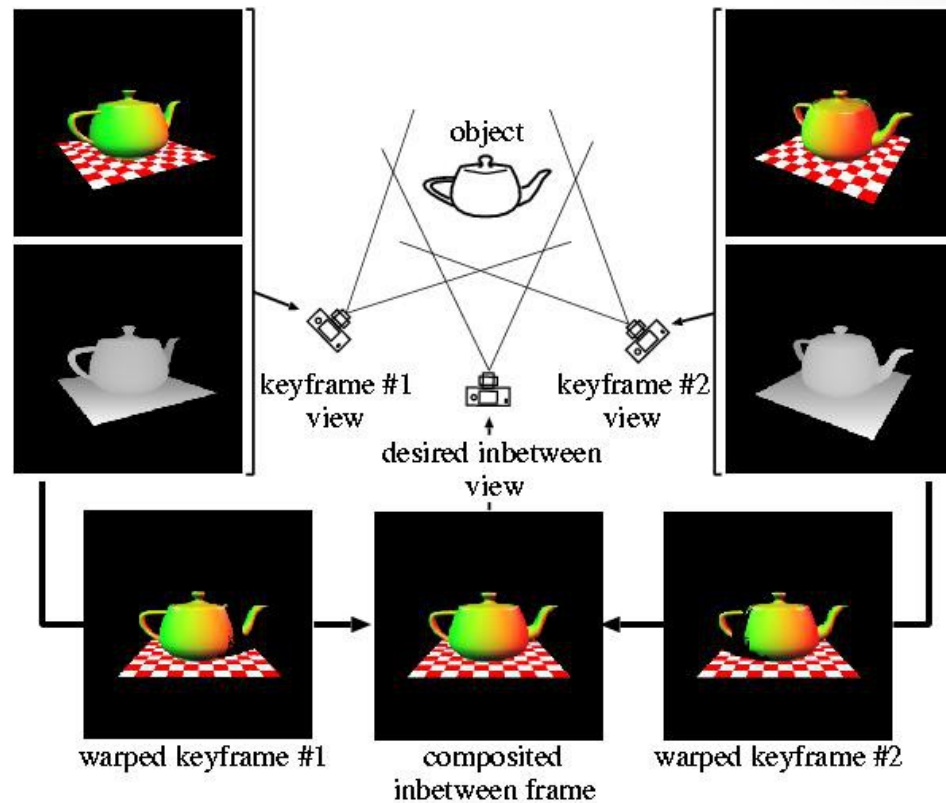
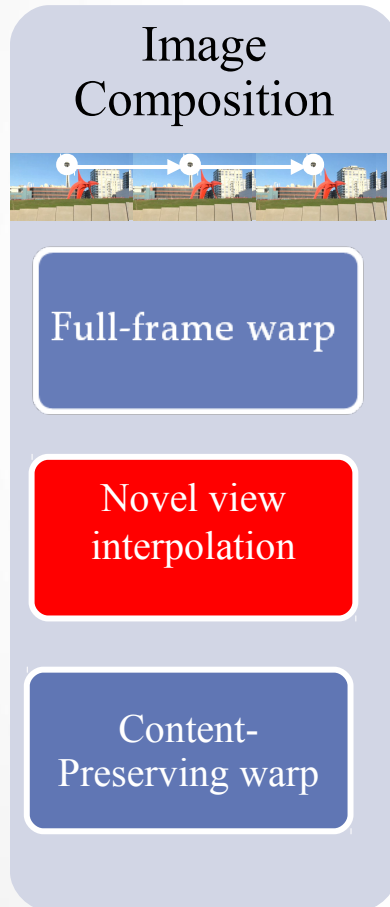
- Motion Planning



- Open question: How far can the output camera diverge from the input one before artefacts occur?

# 3D Stabilization

- Image-Based-Rendering



# 3D Stabilization

Stabilized video



# 3D Stabilization

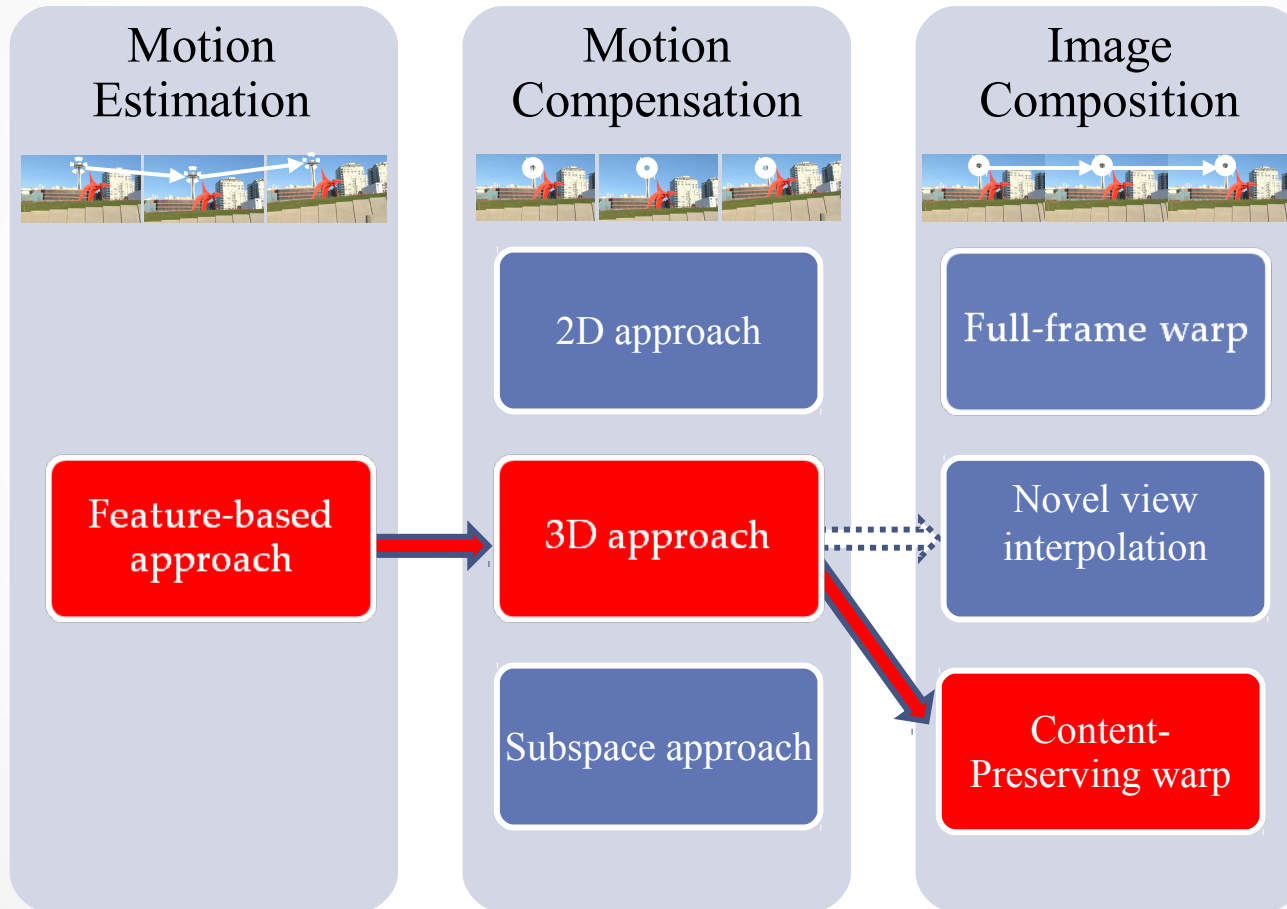
- V Powerful
- V Can simulate 3D motions
- X Ghosting arising due to averaging of neighbor frames



**Content-Preserving warp** [Liu et al. 2009]

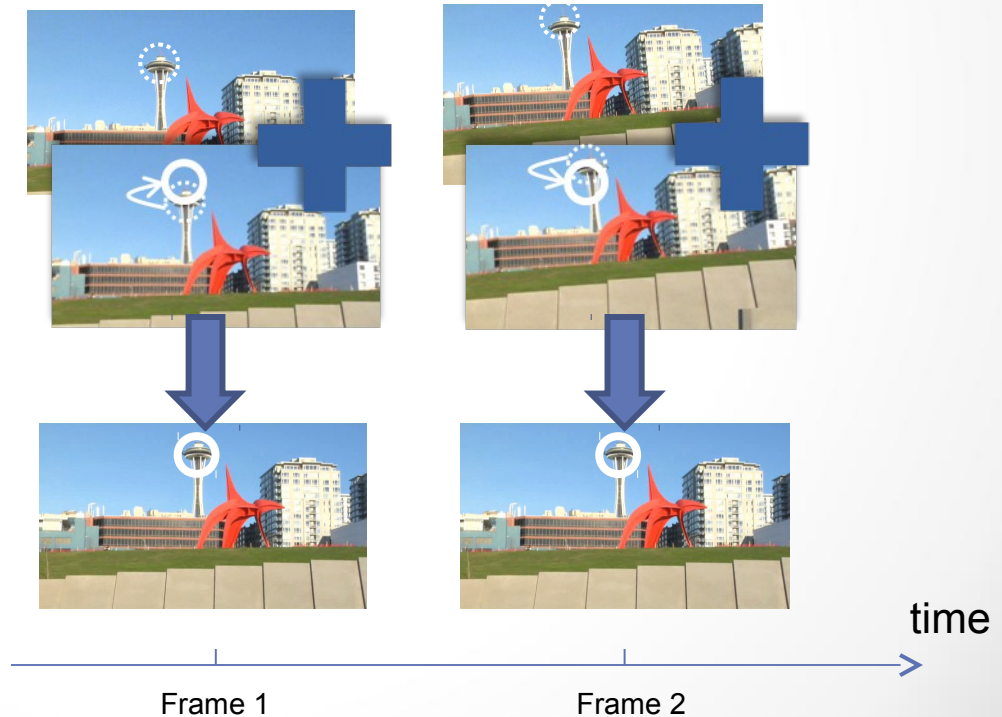
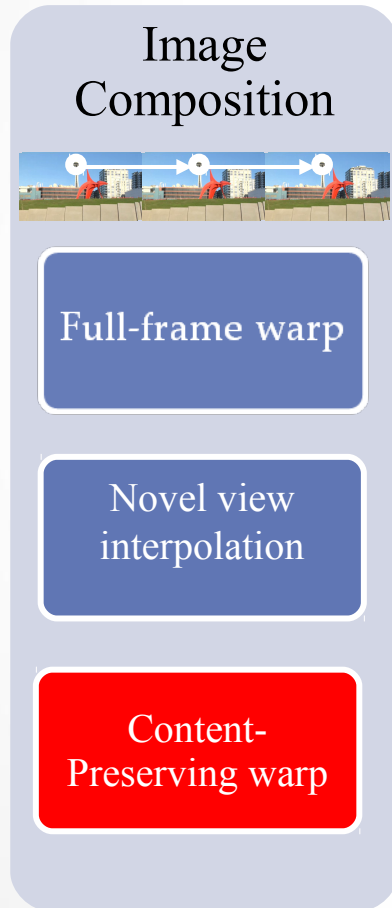


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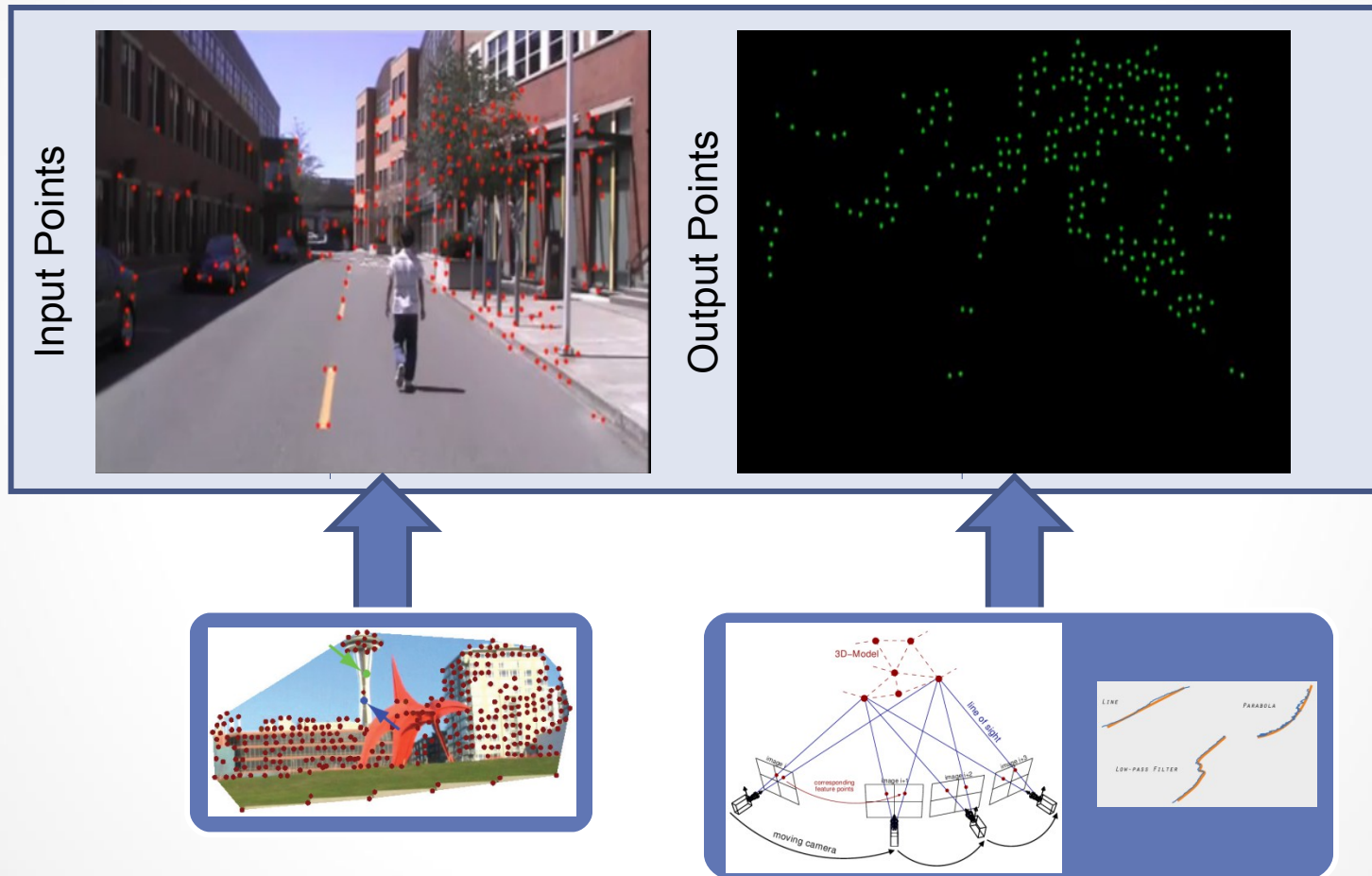


# Content-Preserving warp

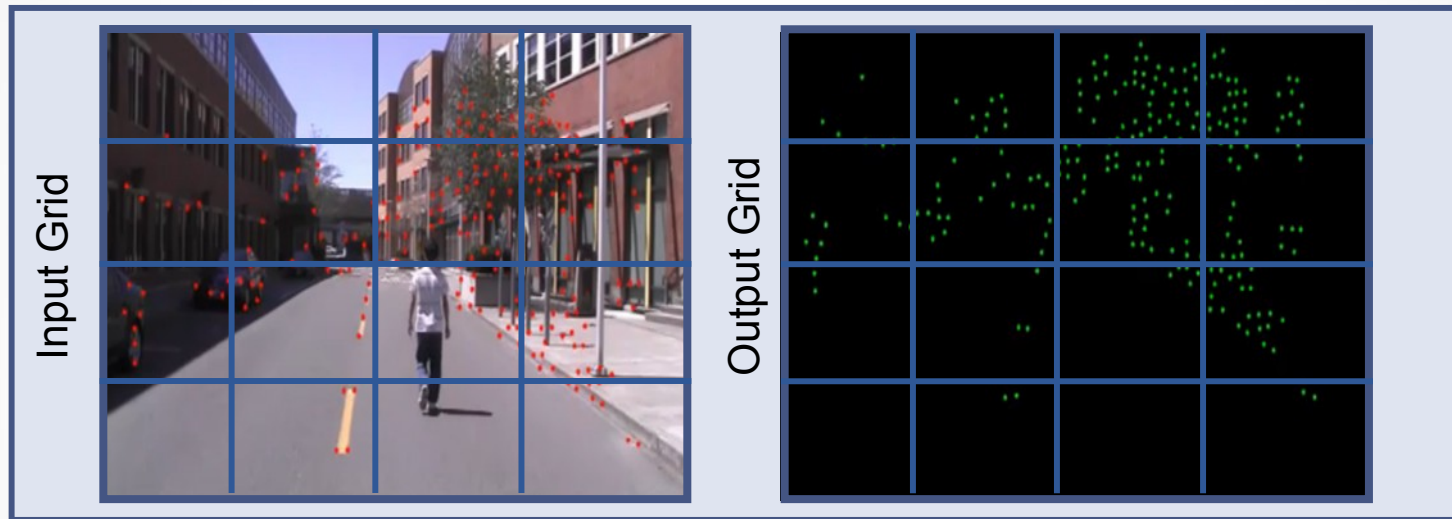
- Idea: warp each video frame independently to preserve content



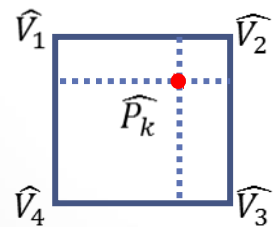
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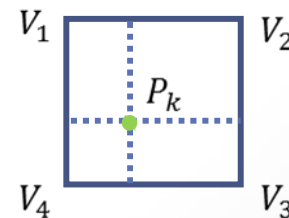
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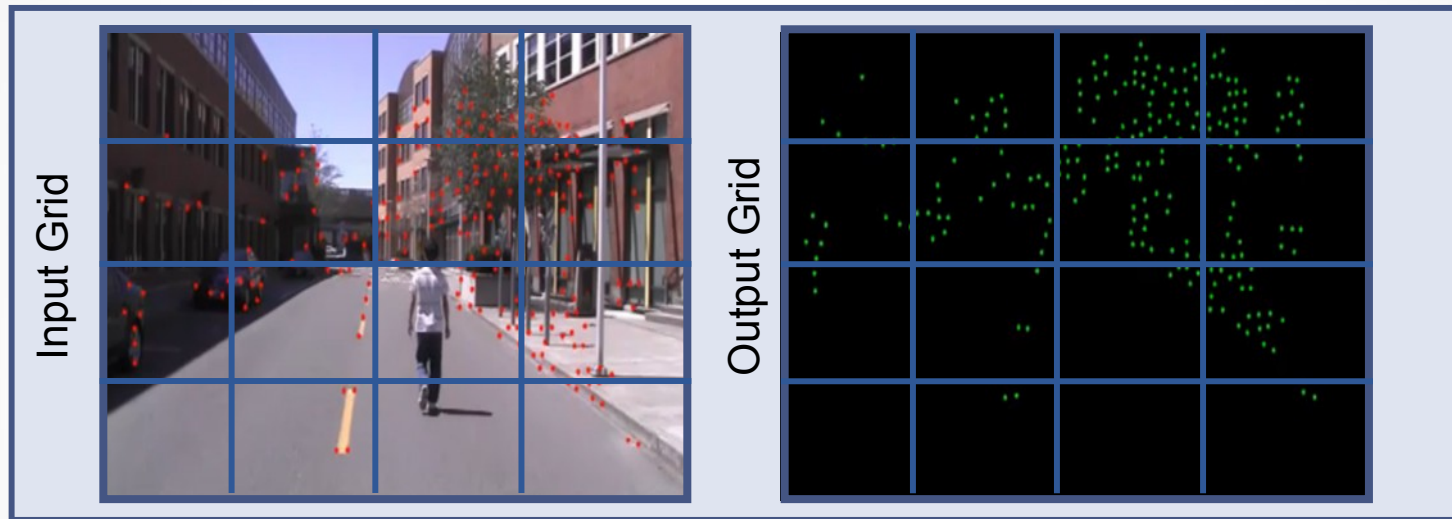
- $\widehat{P}_k := w_k^T \widehat{V}_k$



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# Content-Preserving warp

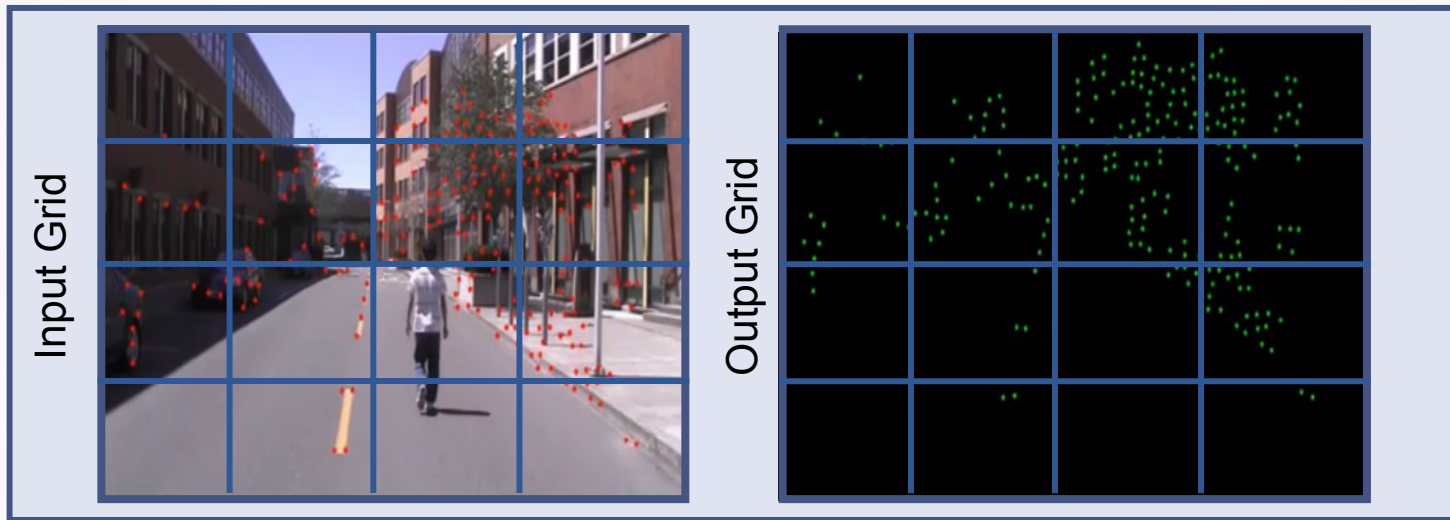


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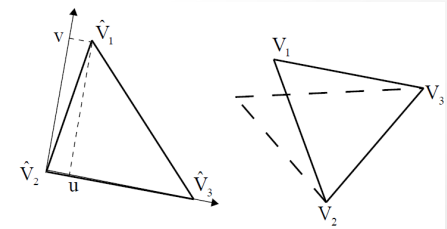
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$$E_d = \sum_k \|w_k^T V_k - P_k\|^2$$

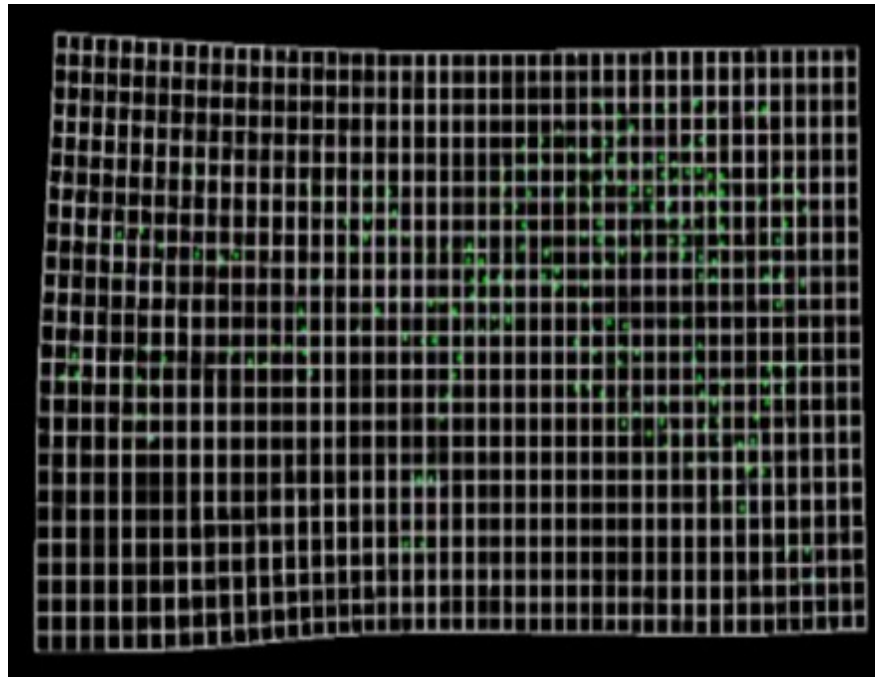
# Content-Preserving warp



$$E_s(V_1) = w_s \left\| V_1 - \underbrace{(V_2 + u(V_3 - V_2) + vR_{90^\circ}(V_3 - V_2))}_{\tilde{V}_1} \right\|^2$$



# Content-Preserving warp



• Open question: Is it completely correct to warp moving objects in the scene just considering the background displacement? Would they ever appear distorted?

# Content-Preserving warp





# Content-Preserving warp

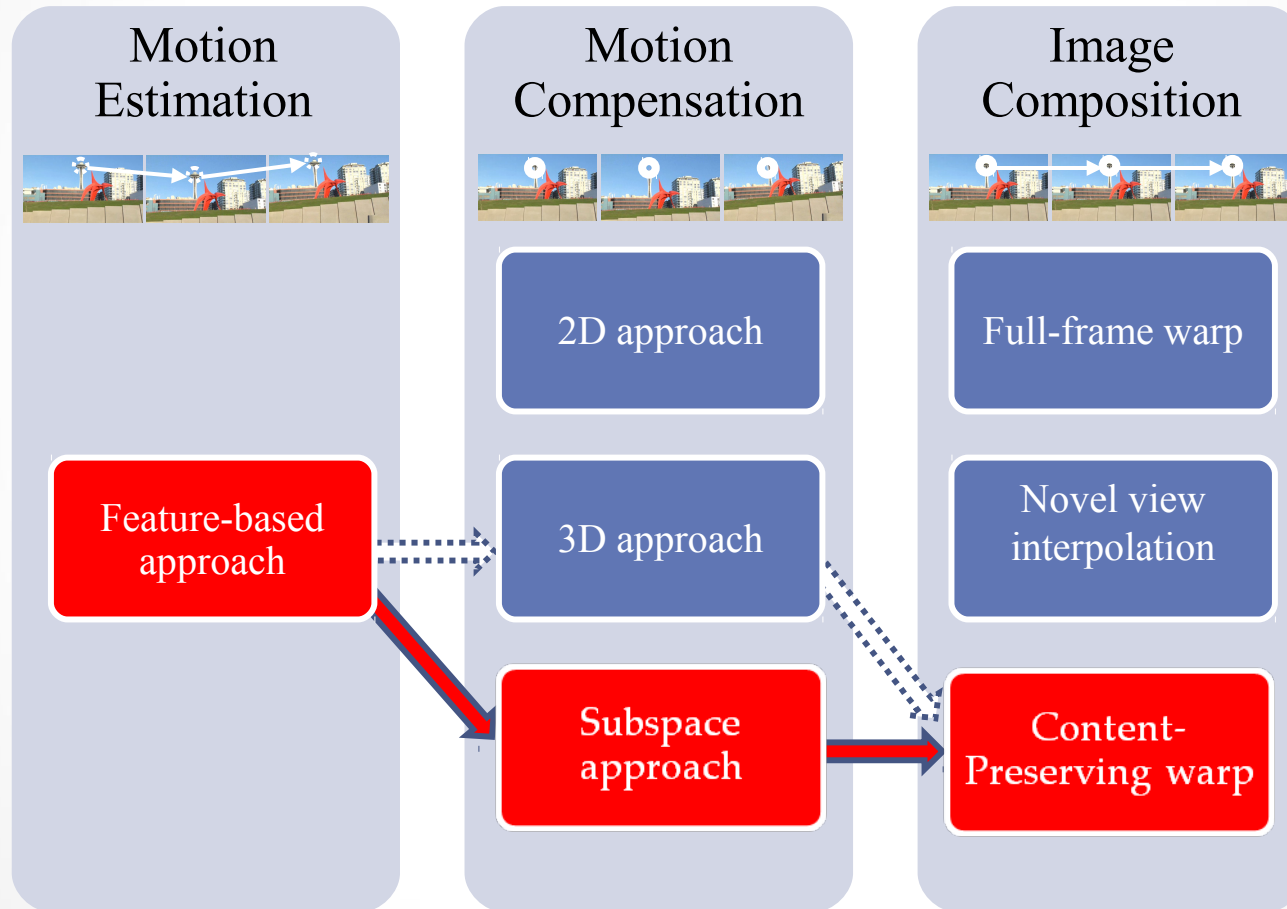
- ✓ No ghosting
- ✓ Stable
- ✗ Structure-from-Motion not always successful
  - Lack of parallax
  - Camera zooming or just rotating
  - In-camera stabilization
  - Rolling shutter



**Subspace Approach** [Liu et al. 2011]

- Open question: What if we use a video-depth camera (with motion sensor) instead of a usual one?

# Subspace Stabilization



# Subspace Stabilization

## Motion Compensation



2D approach

3D approach

Subspace approach

When a rigid 3D scene is imaged by a moving affine camera, the observed motion trajectories should reside in a **low-dimensional subspace**. [Tomasi, Kanade 1992]



Motion trajectories from a perspective camera will lie on a **non-linear manifold (!)** instead of a linear subspace [Goh, Vidal 2007]



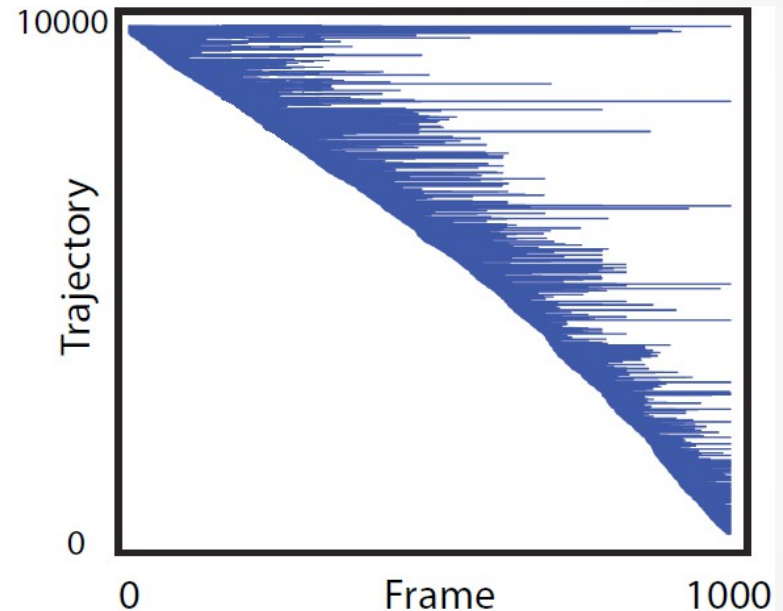
Idea: Approximate the manifold locally with a **linear subspace**.

# Subspace Stabilization

- The trajectory matrix

$$M_{2N \times F} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^1 & x_2^1 & \cdots & x_F^1 \\ y_1^1 & y_2^1 & \cdots & y_F^1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1^N & x_2^N & \cdots & x_F^N \\ y_1^N & y_2^N & \cdots & y_F^N \end{bmatrix}$$

*Low-rank constraint:* a trajectory matrix for instantaneous motions should have at most rank 9 [Irani, 2002]



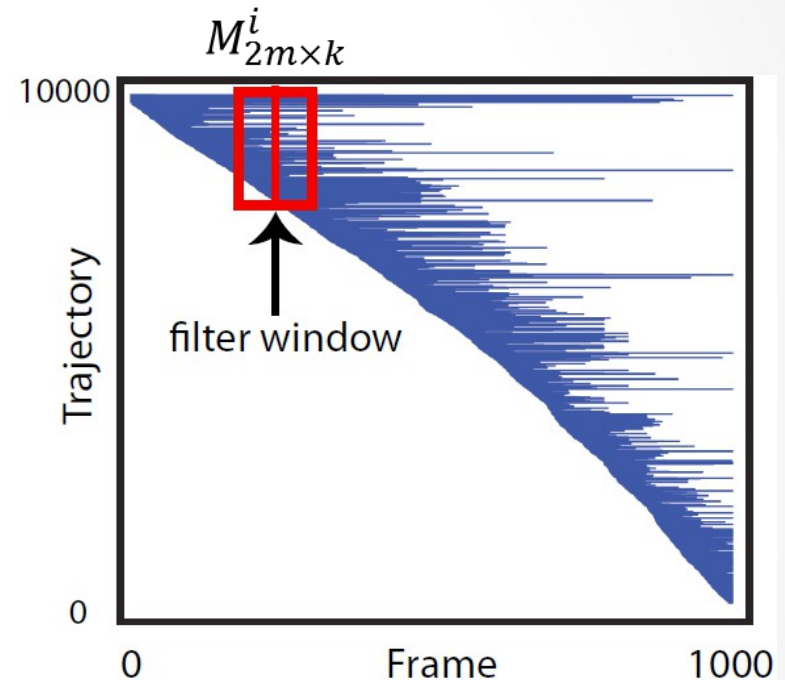
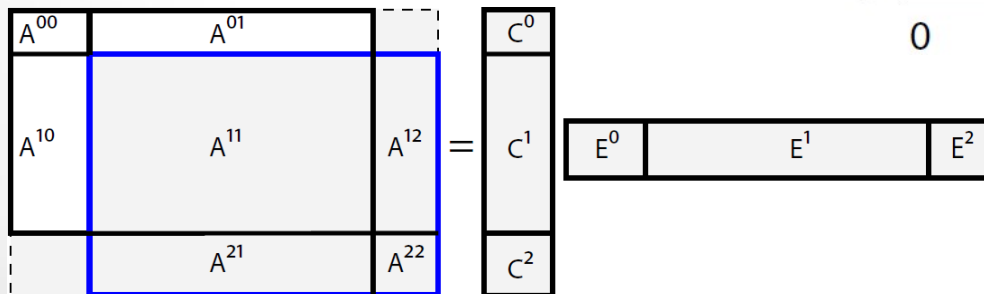
# Subspace Stabilization

- Moving Factorization

$$M_{2m \times k}^i = C_{2m \times r} E_{r \times k}$$

$$M^0 = \begin{bmatrix} A^{00} & A^{01} \\ A^{10} & A^{11} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C^0 \\ C^1 \end{bmatrix} [E^0 \quad E^1]$$

$$M^1 = \begin{bmatrix} A^{11} & A^{12} \\ A^{21} & A^{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C^1 \\ C^2 \end{bmatrix} [E^1 \quad E^2]$$



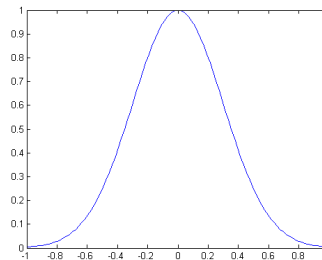
# Subspace Stabilization

- Smoothing the Eigen-trajectories

Binary matrix  $\{0, 1\}$

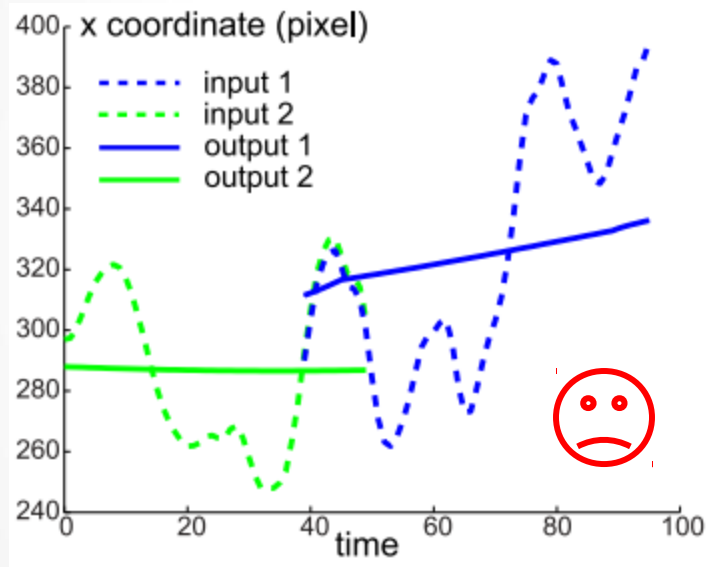
$$\widehat{M}^i = W * (C(EK))$$

Smoothing Kernel

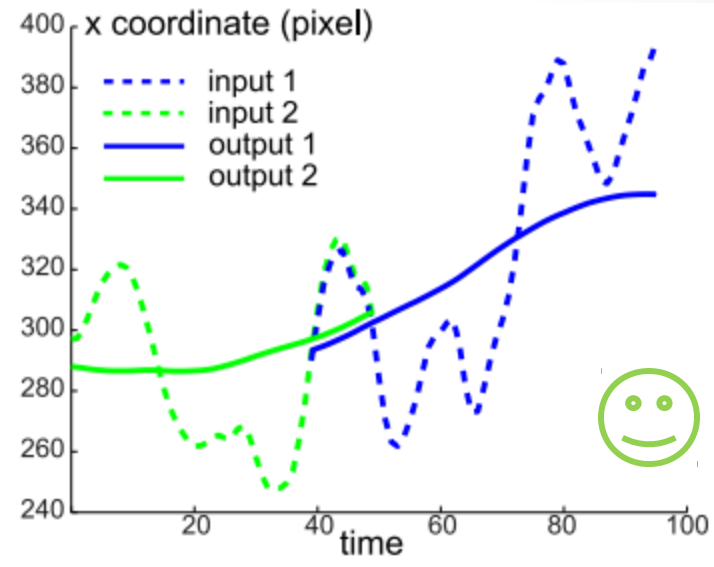


# Subspace Stabilization

- Smoothing the Eigen-trajectories



Filtering the trajectories  
independently



Filtering the Eigen-trajectories

# Subspace Stabilization

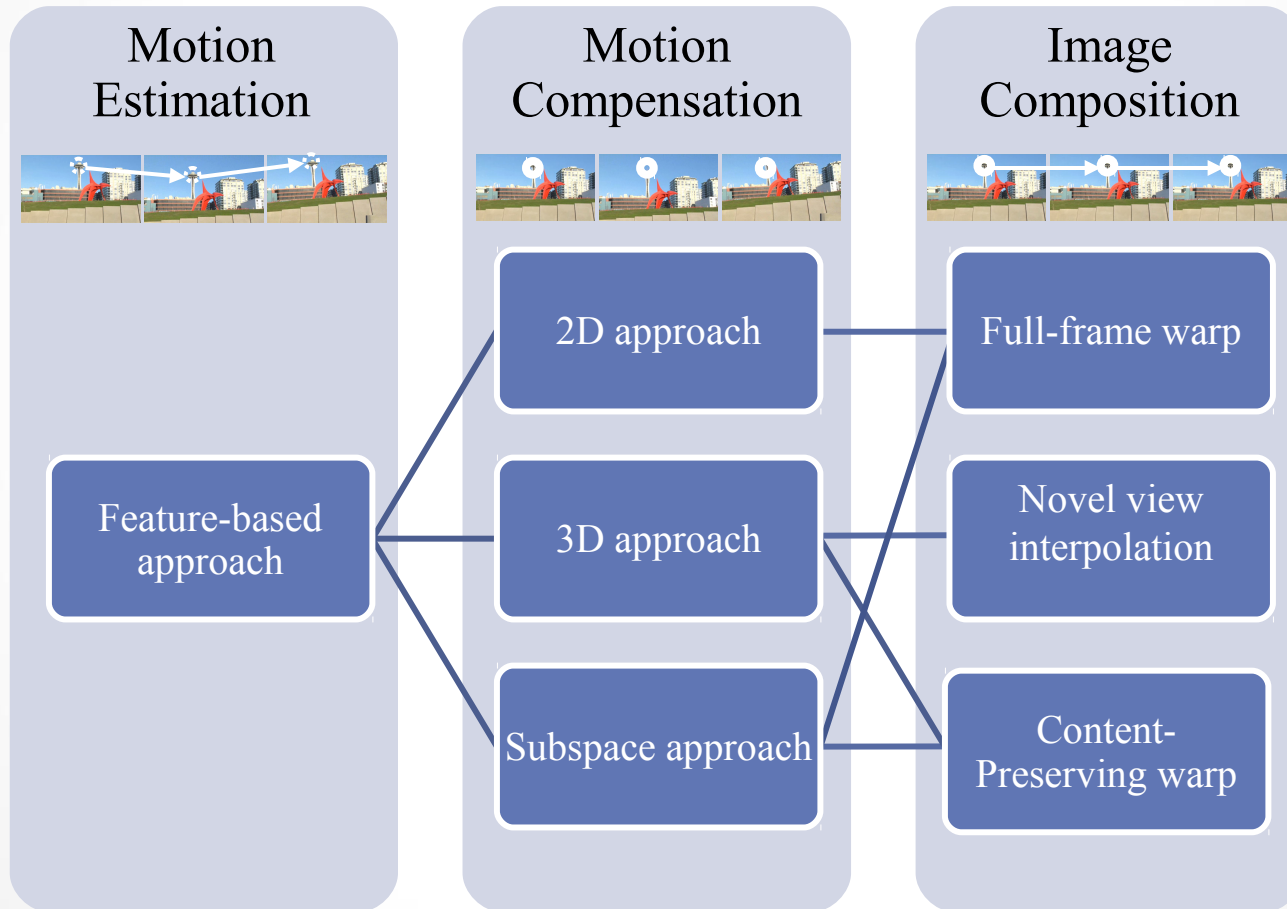




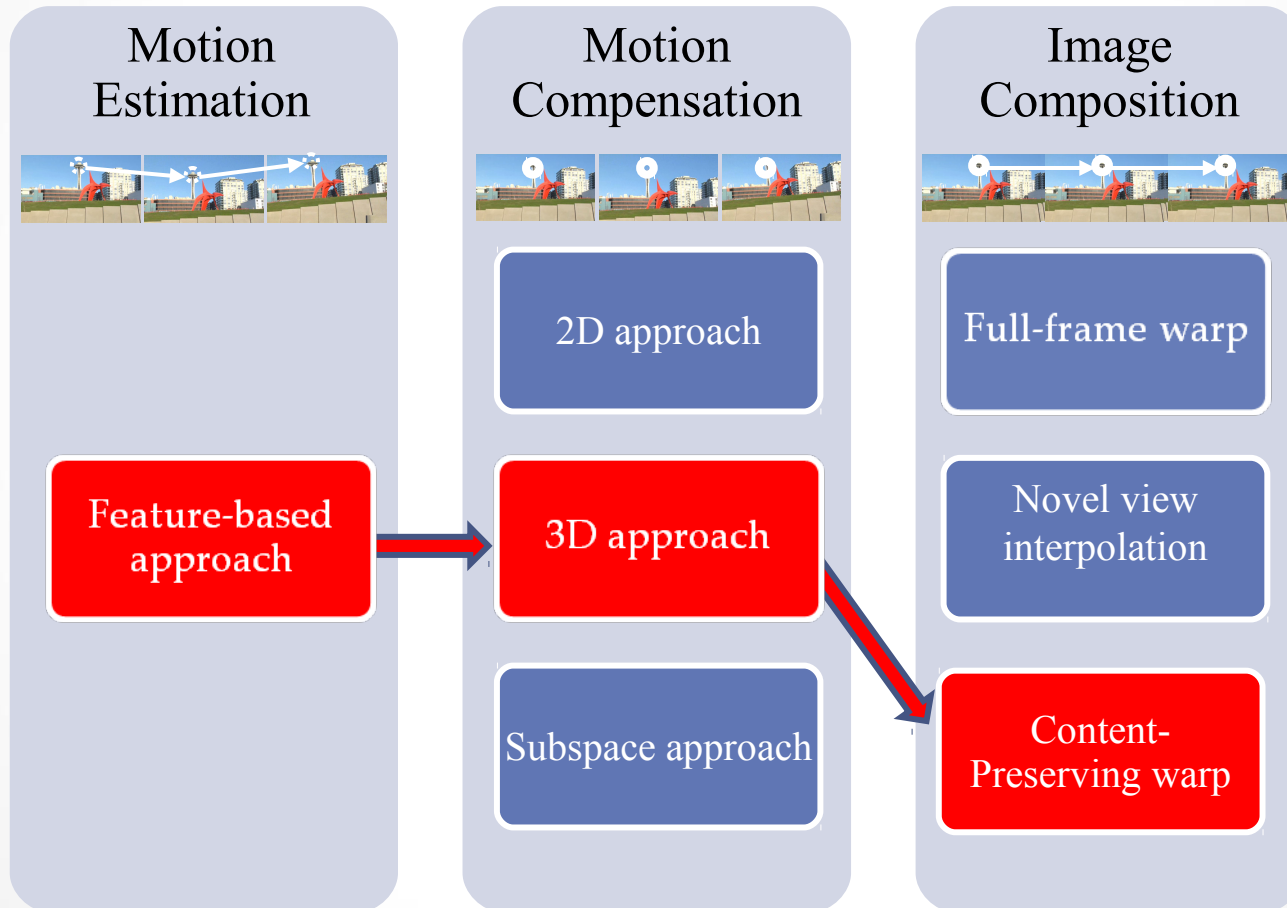
# Subspace Stabilization

- ✓ High quality without computing a 3D reconstruction
  - ✓ Efficient
  - ✓ Can handle complex Video
  - ✗ No motion planning possible
  - ✗ Relies on an approximation
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- Open question: How to evaluate videos if we cannot compare them on the physically-correct base?

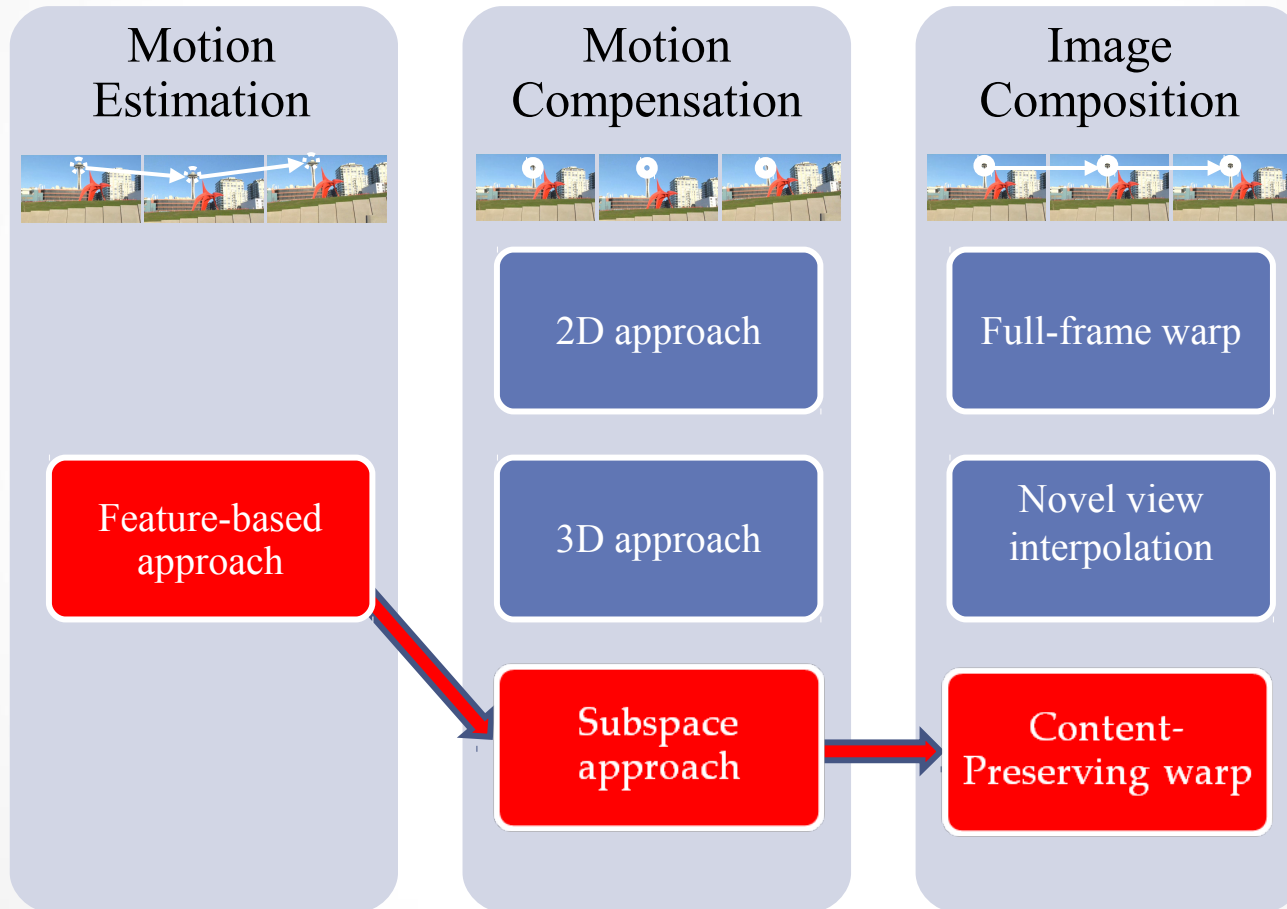
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# Discussion

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- Challenges
  - Motion blur
  - Excessive shake
  - Geometry with little texture
  - Large moving objects that occlude/dominate the scene

# Discussion

- How far can the output camera diverge from the input one before artefacts occur?



**Figure 6:** Each row shows a sequence of warps of a single input video frame created by pulling the camera away from its original location. The top row shows the final cropped result; the middle shows the entire warp result; the bottom shows the corresponding grids and the points that guide the warp. For small camera motions the warps look reasonable, but they become visibly distorted at larger camera displacements.

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