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Subject: Re: find rotation between two images

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David Fanning <davidf@dfanning.com> wrote:

> Tobi writes:

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>> i have several images where i would like to find the rotation and  
>> shift compared to a reference image. i use an alignment routine to  
>> seperate the shifting part. however, there is still the remaining  
>> problem of image rotation. is there a routine available? thanks!

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> Have you looked at ROT.

ROT will rotate the image, but I think his question is about a procedure to automatically determine the correct rotation angle, given a unrotated reference image.

I don't have code to do this myself, but I know there are techniques based on Fourier transforms that do this in addition to determining the image shift. Maybe one of these will get you started:

"Fourier-Based Image Registration Techniques"

[http://www.censsis.neu.edu/hstone\\_fourier.pdf](http://www.censsis.neu.edu/hstone_fourier.pdf)

"An image registration technique for recovering rotation scale and translation"

[http://www.cs.brown.edu/people/morgan/papers/\(McGuire%2098\)%20Registration.pdf](http://www.cs.brown.edu/people/morgan/papers/(McGuire%2098)%20Registration.pdf)

B. S. Reddy and B. N. Chatterji, "An FFT-based technique for translation, rotation and scale-invariant image registration," IEEE Trans. Image Processing, vol. 5, pp. 1266--1271, Aug. 1996.

(I can't find this online but it was referenced from a few papers which were...)

- Marshall

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