3D Computer Vision

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▶Basic Geometric Entities, their Representation, and Notation

- entities have names and representations
- names and their components:

entity	in 2-space	in 3-space
point	$m = (u, v)$	$X = (x, y, z)$
line	n	O
plane		π, φ

- associated vector representations

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = [u, v]^\top, \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{n}$$

will also be written in an 'in-line' form as $\mathbf{m} = (u, v)$, $\mathbf{X} = (x, y, z)$, etc.

- vectors are always meant to be columns $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n,1}$
- associated homogeneous representations

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}} = [m_1, m_2, m_3]^\top, \quad \underline{\mathbf{X}} = [x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]^\top, \quad \underline{\mathbf{n}}$$

'in-line' forms: $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = (m_1, m_2, m_3)$, $\underline{\mathbf{X}} = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$, etc.

- matrices are $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{m,n}$, linear map of a $\mathbb{R}^{n,1}$ vector is $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{x}$
- j-th element of vector $\mathbf{m}_i$ is $(\mathbf{m}_i)_j$; element i, j of matrix $\mathbf{P}$ is $\mathbf{P}_{ij}$

▶Image Line (in 2D)

a finite line in the 2D (u, v) plane $\qquad a\,u + b\,v + c = 0$

corresponds to a (homogeneous) vector $\qquad \underline{\mathbf{n}} \simeq (a,\ b,\ c)$

and there is an equivalence class for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R},\ \lambda \neq 0 \qquad (\lambda a,\ \lambda b,\ \lambda c) \simeq (a,\ b,\ c)$

'Finite' lines

- standard representative for finite $\underline{\mathbf{n}} = (n_1, n_2, n_3)$ is $\lambda\underline{\mathbf{n}}$, where $\lambda = \frac{\mathbf{1}}{\sqrt{n_1^2+n_2^2}}$

assuming $n_1^2 + n_2^2 \neq 0$; $\mathbf{1}$ is the unit, usually $\mathbf{1} = 1$

'Infinite' line

- we augment the set of lines for a special entity called the **line at infinity** (ideal line)

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty \simeq (0, 0, 1) \qquad \text{(standard representative)}$$

- the set of equivalence classes of vectors in $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)$ forms the projective space $\mathbb{P}^2$

a set of rays →21

- line at infinity is a proper member of $\mathbb{P}^2$
- I may sometimes wrongly use $=$ instead of $\simeq$, if you are in doubt, ask me

▶Image Point

Finite point $\mathbf{m} = (u, v)$ is incident on a finite line $\underline{\mathbf{n}} = (a, b, c)$ iff   iff = works either way!

$$a\,u + b\,v + c = 0$$

can be rewritten as (with scalar product): $(u, v, \mathbf{1}) \cdot (a, b, c) = \underline{\mathbf{m}}^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}} = 0$

'Finite' points

- a finite point is also represented by a homogeneous vector $\underline{\mathbf{m}} \simeq (u, v, \mathbf{1})$
- the equivalence class for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda \neq 0$ is $(m_1, m_2, m_3) = \lambda\,\underline{\mathbf{m}} \simeq \underline{\mathbf{m}}$
- the standard representative for finite point $\underline{\mathbf{m}}$ is $\lambda\,\underline{\mathbf{m}}$, where $\lambda = \frac{\mathbf{1}}{m_3}$ assuming $m_3 \neq 0$
- when $\mathbf{1} = 1$ then units are pixels and $\lambda \underline{\mathbf{m}} = (u, v, 1)$
- when $\mathbf{1} = f$ then all elements have a similar magnitude, $f \sim$ image diagonal

use $\mathbf{1} = 1$ unless you know what you are doing;
all entities participating in a formula must be expressed in the same units

'Infinite' points

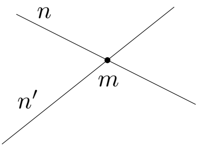
- we augment for **points at infinity** (ideal points) $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_\infty \simeq (m_1, m_2, 0)$

  proper members of $\mathbb{P}^2$
- all such points lie on the line at infinity (ideal line) $\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty \simeq (0, 0, 1)$, i.e. $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_\infty^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty = 0$

▶Line Intersection and Point Join

The point of **intersection** m of image lines n and n', $n \not\simeq n'$ is

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}} \simeq \underline{\mathbf{n}} \times \underline{\mathbf{n}}'$$



proof: If $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = \underline{\mathbf{n}} \times \underline{\mathbf{n}}'$ is the intersection point, it must be incident on both lines. Indeed, using known equivalences from vector algebra

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}}^\top \underbrace{(\underline{\mathbf{n}} \times \underline{\mathbf{n}}')}_{\underline{\mathbf{m}}} \equiv \underline{\mathbf{n}}'^\top \underbrace{(\underline{\mathbf{n}} \times \underline{\mathbf{n}}')}_{\underline{\mathbf{m}}} \equiv 0$$

The **join** n of two image points m and m', $m \not\simeq m'$ is

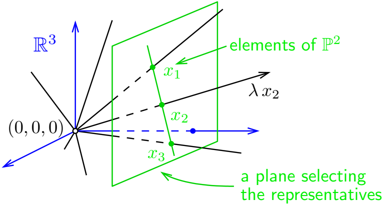
$$\underline{\mathbf{n}} \simeq \underline{\mathbf{m}} \times \underline{\mathbf{m}}'$$

Paralel lines intersect (somewhere) on the line at infinity $\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty \simeq (0, 0, 1)$

$$a\,u + b\,v + c = 0,$$
$$a\,u + b\,v + d = 0, \qquad d \neq c$$
$$(a, b, c) \times (a, b, d) \simeq (b, -a, 0)$$

- all such intersections lie on $\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty$
- line at infinity represents a set of directions in the plane
- Matlab: `m = cross(n, n_prime);`

▶Homography in $\mathbb{P}^2$



Projective plane $\mathbb{P}^2$: Vector space of dimension 3 excluding the zero vector, $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0,0,0)$, factorized to linear equivalence classes ('rays'), $\underline{\mathbf{x}} \simeq \lambda \underline{\mathbf{x}}$, $\lambda \neq 0$

including 'points at infinity'

Homography in $\mathbb{P}^2$: Non-singular linear mapping in $\mathbb{P}^2$

an analogic definition for $\mathbb{P}^3$

$$\underline{\mathbf{x}}' \simeq \mathbf{H}\,\underline{\mathbf{x}}, \quad \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3} \text{ non-singular}$$

Defining properties

- collinear image points are mapped to collinear image points

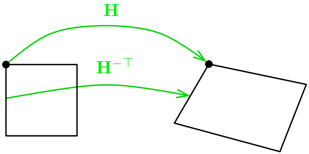
  lines of points are mapped to lines of points
- concurrent image lines are mapped to concurrent image lines

  concurrent = intersecting at a point
- and point-line incidence is preserved

  e.g. line intersection points mapped to line intersection points

- $\mathbf{H}$ is a 3×3 non-singular matrix, $\lambda\,\mathbf{H} \simeq \mathbf{H}$ equivalence class, 8 degrees of freedom
- homogeneous matrix representant: $\det \mathbf{H} = 1$
- what we call homography here is often called 'projective collineation' in mathematics

▶Mapping 2D Points and Lines by Homography



$$\underline{\mathbf{m}}' \simeq \mathbf{H}\,\underline{\mathbf{m}} \qquad \text{image point}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{n}}' \simeq \mathbf{H}^{-\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}} \qquad \text{image line} \qquad \mathbf{H}^{-\top} = (\mathbf{H}^{-1})^{\top} = (\mathbf{H}^{\top})^{-1}$$

- incidence is preserved: $(\underline{\mathbf{m}}')^{\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}}' \simeq \underline{\mathbf{m}}^{\top}\mathbf{H}^{\top}\mathbf{H}^{-\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}} = \underline{\mathbf{m}}^{\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}} = 0$

Mapping a finite 2D point $\mathbf{m} = (u, v)$ to $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = (u', v')$

1. extend the Cartesian (pixel) coordinates to homogeneous coordinates, $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = (u, v, \mathbf{1})$
2. map by homography, $\underline{\mathbf{m}}' = \mathbf{H}\,\underline{\mathbf{m}}$
3. if $m_3' \neq 0$ convert the result $\underline{\mathbf{m}}' = (m_1', m_2', m_3')$ back to Cartesian coordinates (pixels),

$$u' = \frac{m_1'}{m_3'}\mathbf{1}, \qquad v' = \frac{m_2'}{m_3'}\mathbf{1}$$

- note that, typically, $m_3' \neq 1$ — $m_3' = 1$ when $\mathbf{H}$ is affine
- an infinite point $(u, v, 0)$ maps the same way

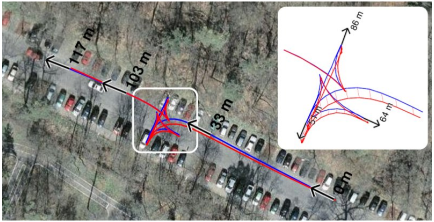
Some Homographic Tasters

Rectification of camera rotation: →59 (geometry), →126 (homography estimation)

$$\mathbf{H} \simeq \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}^\top\mathbf{K}^{-1}$$

maps from image plane to facade plane

Homographic Mouse for Visual Odometry: [Mallis 2007]



illustrations courtesy of AMSL Racing Team, Meiji University and LIBVISO: Library for VISual Odometry

$$\mathbf{H} \simeq \mathbf{K}\left(\mathbf{R} - \frac{\mathbf{t}\mathbf{n}^\top}{d}\right)\mathbf{K}^{-1}$$

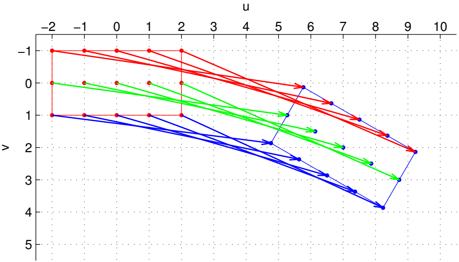
[H&Z, p. 327]

▶Homography Subgroups: Euclidean Mapping (aka Rigid Motion)

- Euclidean mapping (EM): rotation, translation and their combination

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\phi & -\sin\phi & t_x \\ \sin\phi & \cos\phi & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- eigenvalues $\left(1,\, e^{-i\phi},\, e^{i\phi}\right)$



rotation by 30°, then translation by $(7,\ 2)$

EM = The most general homography preserving

1. **areas**: $\det \mathbf{H} = 1 \;\Rightarrow\;$ unit Jacobian
2. **lengths**: Let $\underline{\mathbf{x}}'_i = \mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}}_i$ (check we can use $=$ instead of $\simeq$). Let $(x_i)_3 = 1$, Then

$$\|\underline{\mathbf{x}}'_2 - \underline{\mathbf{x}}'_1\| = \|\mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}}_2 - \mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}}_1\| = \|\mathbf{H}(\underline{\mathbf{x}}_2 - \underline{\mathbf{x}}_1)\| = \cdots = \|\underline{\mathbf{x}}_2 - \underline{\mathbf{x}}_1\|$$

3. **angles** check the dot-product of normalized differences from a point $(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{z})^\top(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{z})$ (Cartesian(!))

- eigenvectors when $\phi \neq k\pi,\ k = 0, 1, \ldots$ (columnwise)

$$\mathbf{e}_1 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} t_x + t_y \cot\frac{\phi}{2} \\ t_y - t_x \cot\frac{\phi}{2} \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}_2 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}_3 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

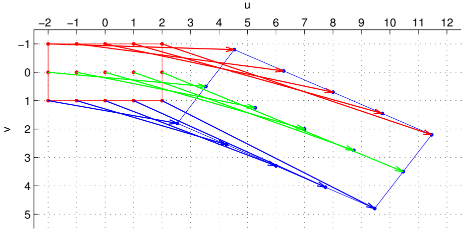
$\mathbf{e}_2$, $\mathbf{e}_3$ – circular points, i – imaginary unit

4. **circular points**: points at infinity $(i, 1, 0)$, $(-i, 1, 0)$ (preserved even by similarity)

- **similarity**: scaled Euclidean mapping (does not preserve lengths, areas)

▶Homography Subgroups: Affine Mapping

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & t_x \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



rotation by 30°
then scaling by $\mathrm{diag}(1, 1.5, 1)$
then translation by $(7, 2)$

AM = The most general homography preserving

- parallelism
- ratio of areas
- ratio of lengths on parallel lines
- linear combinations of vectors (e.g. midpoints)
- convex hull
- line at infinity $\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty$ (not pointwise)

does not preserve

- lengths
- angles
- areas
- circular points

observe $\mathbf{H}^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty \simeq \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & 0 \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & 0 \\ t_x & t_y & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty \simeq \mathbf{H}^{-\top} \underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty$

Euclidean mappings preserve all properties affine mappings preserve, of course

▶Homography Subgroups: General Homography

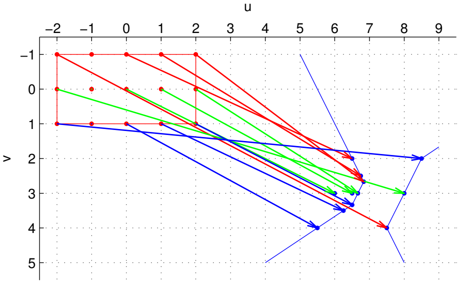
$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

preserves only

- incidence and concurrency
- collinearity
- cross-ratio on the line →45

does not preserve

- lengths
- areas
- parallelism
- ratio of areas
- ratio of lengths
- linear combinations of vectors (midpoints, etc.)
- convex hull
- line at infinity $\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty$

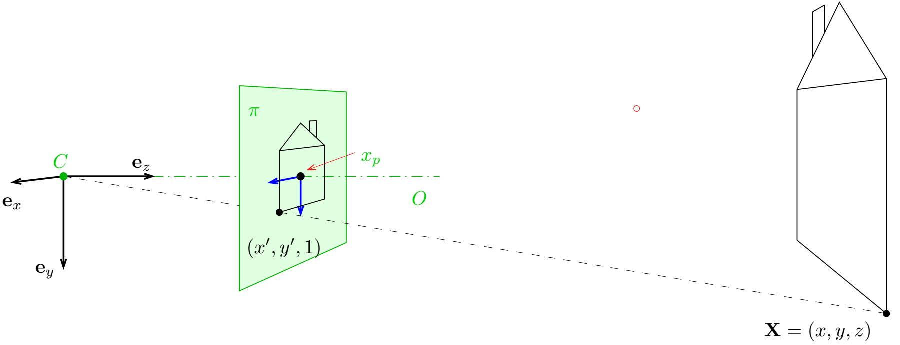


$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -0.5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

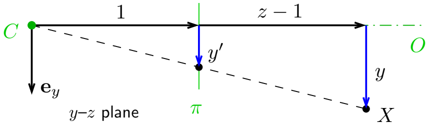
line $\underline{\mathbf{n}} = (1, 0, 1)$ is mapped to $\underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty$: $\mathbf{H}^{-\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}} \simeq \underline{\mathbf{n}}_\infty$

(where in the picture is the line $\mathbf{n}$?)

►Canonical Perspective Camera (Pinhole Camera, Camera Obscura)



1. in this picture we are looking 'down the street'
2. right-handed canonical coordinate system (x, y, z) with unit vectors $\mathbf{e}_x$, $\mathbf{e}_y$, $\mathbf{e}_z$
3. origin = center of projection C
4. image plane π at <u>unit</u> distance from C
5. optical axis O is perpendicular to π
6. principal point x_p: intersection of O and π
7. perspective camera is given by C and π



projected point in the natural image coordinate system:

$$\frac{y'}{1} = y' = \frac{y}{1+z-1} = \frac{y}{z}, \qquad x' = \frac{x}{z}$$

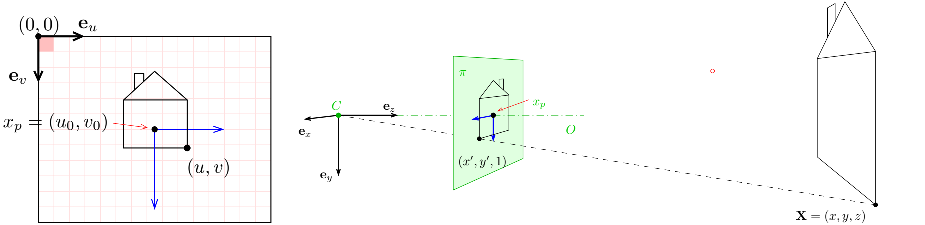
►Natural and Canonical Image Coordinate Systems

projected point **in canonical camera** $(z \neq 0)$

$$(x', y', 1) = \left(\frac{x}{z}, \frac{y}{z}, 1\right) = \frac{1}{z}(x, y, z) \simeq \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}_0} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{P}_0 \, \underline{\mathbf{X}}$$

projected point **in scanned image**

scale by f and translate to (u_0, v_0)



$$u = f\,\frac{x}{z} + u_0 \qquad v = f\,\frac{y}{z} + v_0$$

$$\frac{1}{z}\begin{bmatrix} f\,x + z\,u_0 \\ f\,y + z\,v_0 \\ z \end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & u_0 \\ 0 & f & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{P}_0 \, \underline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{P} \, \underline{\mathbf{X}}$$

- 'calibration' matrix $\mathbf{K}$ transforms canonical $\mathbf{P}_0$ to standard perspective camera $\mathbf{P}$

▶Computing with Perspective Camera Projection Matrix

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}} = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \\ m_3 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & u_0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & v_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} f x + u_0 z \\ f y + v_0 z \\ z \end{bmatrix} \simeq \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x + \frac{z}{f} u_0 \\ y + \frac{z}{f} v_0 \\ \frac{z}{f} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{(a)}}$$

$$\frac{m_1}{m_3} = \frac{f\,x}{z} + u_0 = u, \qquad \frac{m_2}{m_3} = \frac{f\,y}{z} + v_0 = v \quad \text{when} \quad m_3 \neq 0$$

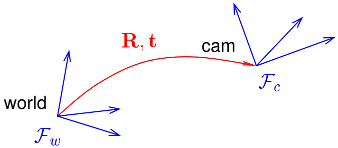
f – 'focal length' – converts length ratios to pixels, $[f] = \mathrm{px}$, $f > 0$

(u_0, v_0) – principal point in pixels

Perspective Camera:

1. dimension reduction — since $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,4}$
2. nonlinear unit change $\mathbf{1} \mapsto \mathbf{1} \cdot z/f$, see (a)
   for convenience we use $P_{11} = P_{22} = f$ rather than $P_{33} = 1/f$ and the u_0, v_0 in relative units
3. $m_3 = 0$ represents points at infinity in image plane π — i.e. points with $z = 0$

►Changing The Outer (World) Reference Frame



A transformation of a point from the world to camera coordinate system:

$$\mathbf{X}_c = \mathbf{R}\,\mathbf{X}_w + \mathbf{t}$$

$\mathbf{R}$ – camera rotation matrix — world orientation in the camera coordinate frame $\mathcal{F}_c$

$\mathbf{t}$ – camera translation vector — world origin in the camera coordinate frame $\mathcal{F}_c$

$$\mathbf{P}\,\underline{\mathbf{X}}_c = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{P}_0 \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_c \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{P}_0 \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}\mathbf{X}_w + \mathbf{t} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{P}_0 \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{T}} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}\underline{\mathbf{X}}_w$$

$\mathbf{P}_0$ (a 3×4 mtx) selects the first 3 rows of $\mathbf{T}$ and discards the last row

- $\mathbf{R}$ is rotation, $\mathbf{R}^\top\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$, $\det \mathbf{R} = +1$ — $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3}$ identity matrix
- 6 **extrinsic parameters**: 3 rotation angles (Euler theorem), 3 translation components
- alternative, often used, camera representations

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{C}$ – camera position in the world reference frame $\mathcal{F}_w$ — $\mathbf{t} = -\mathbf{R}\mathbf{C}$

$\mathbf{r}_3^\top$ – optical axis in the world reference frame $\mathcal{F}_w$ — third row of $\mathbf{R}$: $\mathbf{r}_3 = \mathbf{R}^{-1}[0,0,1]^\top$

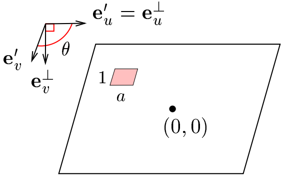
- we can save some conversion and computation by noting that $\mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{C})$

►Changing the Inner (Image) Reference Frame

The general form of calibration matrix $\mathbf{K}$ includes

- skew angle θ of the digitization raster
- pixel aspect ratio a

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} a\,f & -a\,f\,\cot\theta & u_0 \\ 0 & f/\sin\theta & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



units: $[f] = \mathrm{px}$, $[u_0] = \mathrm{px}$, $[v_0] = \mathrm{px}$, $[a] = 1$

⊛ H1; 2pt: Verify this $\mathbf{K}$. Hints: (1) image projects to orthogonal system $F^\perp$, then it maps by skew to F', then by scale f, $a\,f$ to F'', then by translation by u_0, v_0 to F'''; (2) Skew: express point $\mathbf{x}$ as $\mathbf{x} = u'\mathbf{e}_{u'} + v'\mathbf{e}_{v'} = u^\perp\mathbf{e}^\perp_u + v^\perp\mathbf{e}^\perp_v$, $\mathbf{e}_\cdot$ are unit basis vectors, $\mathbf{K}$ maps from $F^\perp$ to F''' as $w'''\,[u''', v''', 1]^\top = \mathbf{K}[u^\perp, v^\perp, 1]^\top$; deadline LD+2 wk

general finite perspective camera has 11 parameters:

- 5 intrinsic parameters: f, u_0, v_0, a, θ
- 6 extrinsic parameters: $\mathbf{t}$, $\mathbf{R}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$

finite camera: $\det \mathbf{K} \neq 0$

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}} \simeq \mathbf{P}\underline{\mathbf{X}}, \qquad \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q}\end{bmatrix} ;= \mathbf{K}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t}\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}\end{bmatrix}$$

a recipe for filling $\mathbf{P}$

Representation Theorem: The set of projection matrices $\mathbf{P}$ of finite perspective cameras is isomorphic to the set of homogeneous 3×4 matrices with the left 3×3 submatrix $\mathbf{Q}$ non-singular.

▶Projection Matrix Decomposition

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q}\end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \mathbf{K}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t}\end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3}$	full rank	(if finite perspective camera)
$\mathbf{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3}$	upper triangular with positive diagonal entries	
$\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{3,3}$	rotation: $\mathbf{R}^\top\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$ and $\det \mathbf{R} = +1$	

1. $\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q}\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t}\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{KR} & \mathbf{Kt}\end{bmatrix}$ also →34
2. RQ decomposition of $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{KR}$ using three Givens rotations [H&Z, p. 579]

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{Q}\underbrace{\mathbf{R}_{32}\mathbf{R}_{31}\mathbf{R}_{21}}_{\mathbf{R}^{-1}}$$

$\mathbf{R}_{ij}$ zeroes element ij in $\mathbf{Q}$ affecting only columns i and j and the sequence preserves previously zeroed elements, e.g. (see next slide for derivation details)

$$\mathbf{R}_{32} = \begin{bmatrix}1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & c & -s\\ 0 & s & c\end{bmatrix} \text{ gives } \begin{matrix} c^2+s^2=1 \\ 0 = k_{32} = c\,q_{32} + s\,q_{33}\end{matrix} \Rightarrow c = \frac{q_{33}}{\sqrt{q_{32}^2+q_{33}^2}} \quad s = \frac{-q_{32}}{\sqrt{q_{32}^2+q_{33}^2}}$$

⊛ P1; 1pt: Multiply known matrices $\mathbf{K}$, $\mathbf{R}$ and then decompose back; discuss numerical errors

- RQ decomposition nonuniqueness: $\mathbf{KR} = \mathbf{KT}^{-1}\mathbf{TR}$, where $\mathbf{T} = \operatorname{diag}(-1,-1,1)$ is also a rotation, we must correct the result so that the diagonal elements of $\mathbf{K}$ are all positive
  'thin' RQ decomposition
- care must be taken to avoid overflow, see [Golub & van Loan 2013, sec. 5.2]

RQ Decomposition Step

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Q = Array [q#1 ,#2 &, {3, 3}];
R32 = {{1, 0, 0}, {0, c, -s}, {0, s, c}}; R32 // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c & -s \\ 0 & s & c \end{pmatrix}$$

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Q1 = Q.R32 ; Q1 // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} q_{1,1} & c\, q_{1,2} + s\, q_{1,3} & -s\, q_{1,2} + c\, q_{1,3} \\ q_{2,1} & c\, q_{2,2} + s\, q_{2,3} & -s\, q_{2,2} + c\, q_{2,3} \\ q_{3,1} & c\, q_{3,2} + s\, q_{3,3} & -s\, q_{3,2} + c\, q_{3,3} \end{pmatrix}$$

```
s1 = Solve [{Q1[[3]][[2]] == 0, c^2 + s^2 == 1}, {c, s}][[2]]
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$$\left\{ c \to \frac{q_{3,3}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}},\ s \to -\frac{q_{3,2}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} \right\}$$

```
Q1 /. s1 // Simplify // MatrixForm
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} q_{1,1} & \frac{-q_{1,3}\, q_{3,2} + q_{1,2}\, q_{3,3}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} & \frac{q_{1,2}\, q_{3,2} + q_{1,3}\, q_{3,3}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} \\ q_{2,1} & \frac{-q_{2,3}\, q_{3,2} + q_{2,2}\, q_{3,3}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} & \frac{q_{2,2}\, q_{3,2} + q_{2,3}\, q_{3,3}}{\sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2}} \\ q_{3,1} & 0 & \sqrt{q_{3,2}^2 + q_{3,3}^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

▶Center of Projection

Observation: finite $\mathbf{P}$ has a non-trivial right null-space   rank 3 but 4 columns

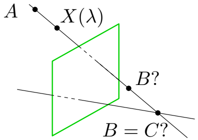
Theorem

Let $\mathbf{P}$ be a camera and let there be $\underline{\mathbf{B}} \neq \mathbf{0}$ s.t. $\mathbf{P}\,\underline{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{0}$. Then $\underline{\mathbf{B}}$ is equivalent to the projection center $\underline{\mathbf{C}}$ (homogeneous, in world coordinate frame).

Proof.

1. Consider spatial line $A\,B$ (B is given). We can write

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}}(\lambda) \simeq \lambda\,\underline{\mathbf{A}} + (1-\lambda)\,\underline{\mathbf{B}}, \qquad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$



2. it projects to

$$\mathbf{P}\underline{\mathbf{X}}(\lambda) \simeq \lambda\,\mathbf{P}\,\underline{\mathbf{A}} + (1-\lambda)\,\mathbf{P}\,\underline{\mathbf{B}} \simeq \mathbf{P}\,\underline{\mathbf{A}}$$

- the entire line projects to a single point $\Rightarrow$ it must pass through the optical center of $\mathbf{P}$
- this holds for all choices of A $\Rightarrow$ the only common point of the lines is the C, i.e. $\underline{\mathbf{B}} \simeq \underline{\mathbf{C}}$ □

Hence

$$\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{P}\,\underline{\mathbf{C}} = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q}\end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{C}\\ 1\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q}\,\mathbf{C} + \mathbf{q} \Rightarrow \boxed{\mathbf{C} = -\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{q}}$$

$\underline{\mathbf{C}} = (c_j)$, where $c_j = (-1)^j \det \mathbf{P}^{(j)}$, in which $\mathbf{P}^{(j)}$ is $\mathbf{P}$ with column j dropped

Matlab: `C_homo = null(P);` or `C = -Q\q;`

▶Optical Ray

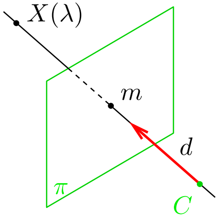
Optical ray: Spatial line that projects to a single image point.

1. consider line

   $\mathbf{d}$ unit line direction vector, $\|\mathbf{d}\| = 1$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, Cartesian representation

$$\mathbf{X}(\lambda) = \mathbf{C} + \lambda\,\mathbf{d}$$

2. the projection of the (finite) point $X(\lambda)$ is



$$\underline{\mathbf{m}} \simeq \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q}\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{X}(\lambda) \\ 1\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{C} + \lambda\mathbf{d}) + \mathbf{q} = \lambda\,\mathbf{Q}\,\mathbf{d} =$$
$$= \lambda \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q}\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{d} \\ 0\end{bmatrix}$$

...which is also the image of a point at infinity in $\mathbb{P}^3$

- optical ray line corresponding to image point m is the set

$$\mathbf{X}(\lambda) = \mathbf{C} + (\lambda\mathbf{Q})^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{m}}, \qquad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

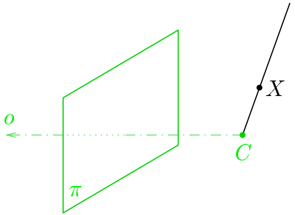
- optical ray direction may be represented by a point at infinity $(\mathbf{d}, 0)$ in $\mathbb{P}^3$
- in world coordinate frame

▶Optical Axis

Optical axis: Optical ray that is perpendicular to image plane π

1. points on a line parallel to π project to line at infinity in π:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \simeq \mathbf{P}\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1^\top & q_{14} \\ \mathbf{q}_2^\top & q_{24} \\ \mathbf{q}_3^\top & q_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



2. therefore the set of points X is parallel to π iff

$$\mathbf{q}_3^\top \mathbf{X} + q_{34} = 0$$

3. this is a plane with $\pm\mathbf{q}_3$ as the normal vector
4. optical axis direction: substitution $\mathbf{P} \mapsto \lambda\mathbf{P}$ must not change the direction
5. we select (assuming $\det(\mathbf{R}) > 0$)

$$\mathbf{o} = \det(\mathbf{Q})\,\mathbf{q}_3$$

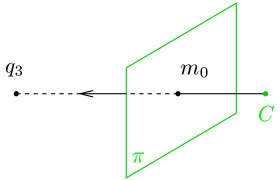
if $\mathbf{P} \mapsto \lambda\mathbf{P}$ then $\det(\mathbf{Q}) \mapsto \lambda^3 \det(\mathbf{Q})$ and $\mathbf{q}_3 \mapsto \lambda\,\mathbf{q}_3$ [H&Z, p. 161]

- the axis is expressed in world coordinate frame

▶Principal Point

Principal point: The intersection of image plane and the optical axis

1. as we saw, $\mathbf{q}_3$ is the directional vector of optical axis
2. we take point at infinity on the optical axis that must project to principal point m_0



3. then

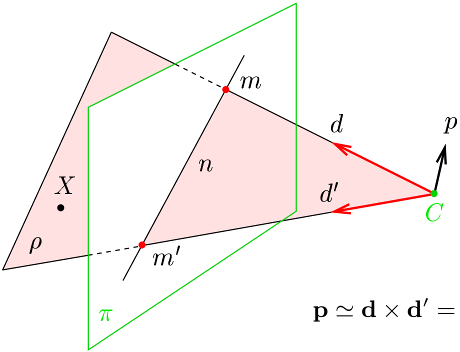
$$\underline{\mathbf{m}}_0 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q}\,\mathbf{q}_3$$

principal point: $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_0 \simeq \mathbf{Q}\,\mathbf{q}_3$

- principal point is also the center of radial distortion

▶Optical Plane

A spatial plane with normal p passing through optical center C and a given image line n.



optical ray given by m $\quad \mathbf{d} \simeq \mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{m}}$

optical ray given by m' $\quad \mathbf{d}' \simeq \mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{m}}'$

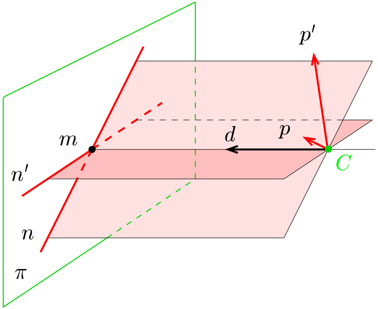
$$\mathbf{p} \simeq \mathbf{d} \times \mathbf{d}' = (\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{m}}) \times (\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{m}}') = \mathbf{Q}^{\top}(\underline{\mathbf{m}} \times \underline{\mathbf{m}}') = \mathbf{Q}^{\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}}$$

• note the way $\mathbf{Q}$ factors out!

hence, $0 = \mathbf{p}^{\top}(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{C}) = \underline{\mathbf{n}}^{\top}\underbrace{\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{C})}_{\to 30} = \underline{\mathbf{n}}^{\top}\mathbf{P}\underline{\mathbf{X}} = (\mathbf{P}^{\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}})^{\top}\underline{\mathbf{X}}$ for every X in plane ρ

optical plane is given by n: $\quad \boldsymbol{\rho} \simeq \mathbf{P}^{\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}}$ $\qquad \rho_1\, x + \rho_2\, y + \rho_3\, z + \rho_4 = 0$

Cross-Check: Optical Ray as Optical Plane Intersection



optical plane normal given by n $\qquad \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{Q}^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}}$

optical plane normal given by n' $\qquad \mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{Q}^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}}'$

$$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{p}' = (\mathbf{Q}^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}}) \times (\mathbf{Q}^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}}') = \mathbf{Q}^{-1}(\underline{\mathbf{n}} \times \underline{\mathbf{n}}') = \mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\underline{\mathbf{m}}}$$

►Summary: Optical Center, Ray, Axis, Plane

General finite camera

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{q}\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{q}_1^\top & q_{14} \\ \mathbf{q}_2^\top & q_{24} \\ \mathbf{q}_3^\top & q_{34}\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t}\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\,\mathbf{R}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}\end{bmatrix}$$

$\underline{\mathbf{C}} \simeq \mathrm{rnull}(\mathbf{P})$	optical center (world coords.)
$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{Q}^{-1}\,\underline{\mathbf{m}}$	optical ray direction (world coords.)
$\det(\mathbf{Q})\,\mathbf{q}_3$	outward optical axis (world coords.)
$\mathbf{Q}\,\mathbf{q}_3$	principal point (in image plane)
$\boldsymbol{\rho} = \mathbf{P}^\top\,\underline{\mathbf{n}}$	optical plane (world coords.)
$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f & -f\cot\theta & u_0 \\ 0 & f/(a\sin\theta) & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1\end{bmatrix}$	camera (calibration) matrix (f, u_0, v_0 in pixels)
$\mathbf{R}$	camera rotation matrix (cam coords.)
$\mathbf{t}$	camera translation vector (cam coords.)

How far is the engine?

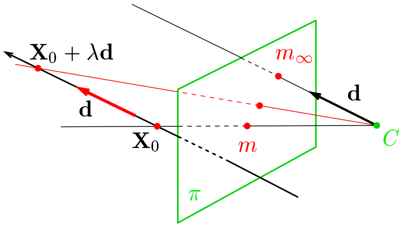
distance between sleepers (ties) 0.806m but we cannot count them, image resolution is too low

We will review some life-saving theory…

…and build a bit of geometric intuition…

▶Vanishing Point

Vanishing point: the limit of the projection of a point that moves along a space line infinitely in one direction. the image of the point at infinity on the line



$$\underline{\mathbf{m}}_\infty \simeq \lim_{\lambda\to\pm\infty} \mathbf{P}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{X}_0+\lambda\mathbf{d}\\ 1\end{bmatrix} = \cdots \simeq \mathbf{Q}\,\mathbf{d}$$

⊛ P1; 1pt: Prove (use Cartesian coordinates and L'Hôpital's rule)

- the V.P. of a spatial line with directional vector $\mathbf{d}$ is $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_\infty \simeq \mathbf{Q}\,\mathbf{d}$
- V.P. is independent on line position $\mathbf{X}_0$, it depends on its directional vector only
- all parallel lines share the same V.P., including the optical ray defined by m_∞

Some Vanishing Point "Applications"

where is the sun?

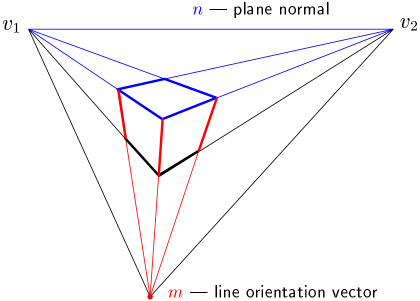
what is the wind direction?
(must have video)

fly above the lane,
at constant altitude!

▶Vanishing Line

Vanishing line: The set of vanishing points of all lines in a plane

the image of the line at infinity in the plane and in all parallel planes



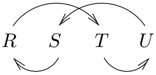
- V.L. n corresponds to spatial plane of normal vector $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{Q}^\top \underline{\mathbf{n}}$

  because this is the normal vector of a parallel optical plane (!) →38
- a spatial plane of normal vector $\mathbf{p}$ has a V.L. represented by $\underline{\mathbf{n}} = \mathbf{Q}^{-\top}\mathbf{p}$.

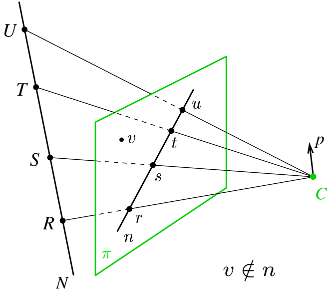
▶Cross Ratio

Four distinct collinear spatial points R, S, T, U define cross-ratio

$$[RSTU] = \frac{|\overrightarrow{RT}|}{|\overrightarrow{SR}|}\,\frac{|\overrightarrow{US}|}{|\overrightarrow{TU}|}$$



a mnemonic (∞)



$|\overrightarrow{RT}|$ – distance from R to T in the arrow direction

6 cross-ratios from four points:

$$[SRUT] = [RSTU],\; [RSUT] = \frac{1}{[RSTU]},\; [RTSU] = 1 - [RSTU],\; \cdots$$

Obs: $$[RSTU] = \frac{|\underline{\mathbf{r}}\;\underline{\mathbf{t}}\;\underline{\mathbf{v}}|}{|\underline{\mathbf{s}}\;\underline{\mathbf{r}}\;\underline{\mathbf{v}}|}\cdot\frac{|\underline{\mathbf{u}}\;\underline{\mathbf{s}}\;\underline{\mathbf{v}}|}{|\underline{\mathbf{t}}\;\underline{\mathbf{u}}\;\underline{\mathbf{v}}|},\quad |\underline{\mathbf{r}}\;\underline{\mathbf{t}}\;\underline{\mathbf{v}}| = \det\left[\underline{\mathbf{r}}\;\underline{\mathbf{t}}\;\underline{\mathbf{v}}\right] = (\underline{\mathbf{r}}\times\underline{\mathbf{t}})^\top\underline{\mathbf{v}} \tag{1}$$

Corollaries:

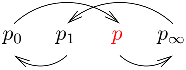
- cross ratio is invariant under homographies $\underline{\mathbf{x}}' \simeq \mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}}$ plug $\mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}}$ in (1): $(\mathbf{H}^{-\top}(\underline{\mathbf{r}}\times\underline{\mathbf{t}}))^\top\mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{v}}$
- cross ratio is invariant under perspective projection: $[RSTU] = [r\,s\,t\,u]$

- 4 collinear points: any perspective camera will "see" the same cross-ratio of their images
- we measure the same cross-ratio in image as on the world line
- one of the points R, S, T, U may be at infinity (we take the limit, in effect $\frac{\infty}{\infty} = 1$)

▶1D Projective Coordinates

The 1-D projective coordinate of a point P is defined by the following cross-ratio:

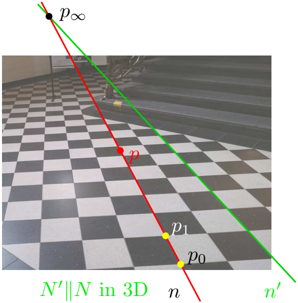
$$[P] = [P_0\, P_1\, P\, P_\infty] = [p_0\, p_1\, p\, p_\infty] = \frac{|\overrightarrow{p_0\, p}|}{|\overrightarrow{p_1\, p_0}|}\, \frac{|\overrightarrow{p_\infty\, p_1}|}{|\overrightarrow{p\, p_\infty}|} = [p]$$



naming convention:

P_0 – the origin	$[P_0] = 0$
P_1 – the unit point	$[P_1] = 1$
P_∞ – the supporting point	$[P_\infty] = \pm\infty$

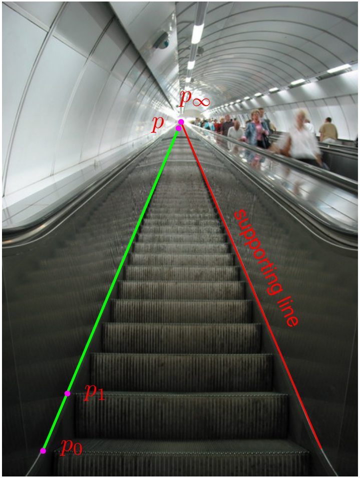
$[P]$ is equal to Euclidean coordinate along N
$[p]$ is its measurement in the image plane



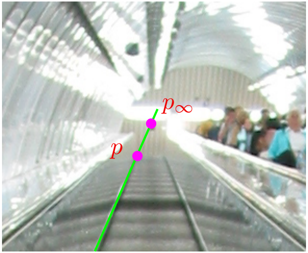
Applications

- Given the image of a 3D line N, the origin, the unit point, and the vanishing point, then the Euclidean coordinate of any point $P \in N$ can be determined →47
- Finding v.p. of a line through a regular object →48

Application: Counting Steps



- Namesti Miru underground station in Prague

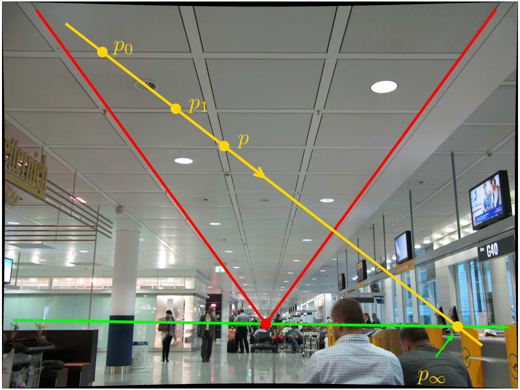


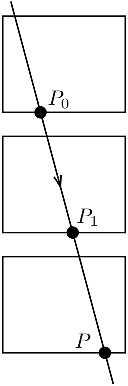
detail around the vanishing point

Result: $[P] = 214$ steps (correct answer is 216 steps)

4Mpx camera

Application: Finding the Horizon from Repetitions





in 3D: $|P_0P| = 2|P_0P_1|$ then [H&Z, p. 218]

$$[P_0P_1PP_\infty] = \frac{|P_0P|}{|P_1P_0|} = 2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_\infty = \frac{x_0\,(2\,x - x_1) - x\,x_1}{x + x_0 - 2\,x_1}$$

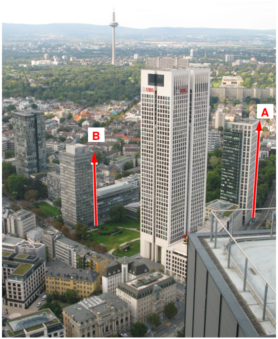
- x – 1D coordinate along the yellow line, positive in the arrow direction
- could be applied to counting steps (→47) if there was no supporting line

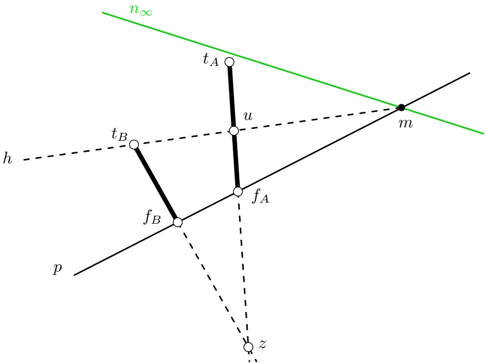
⊛ P1; 1pt: How high is the camera above the floor?

Homework Problem

⊛ H2; 3pt: What is the ratio of heights of Building A to Building B?

- expected: conceptual solution; use notation from this figure
- deadline: LD+2 weeks

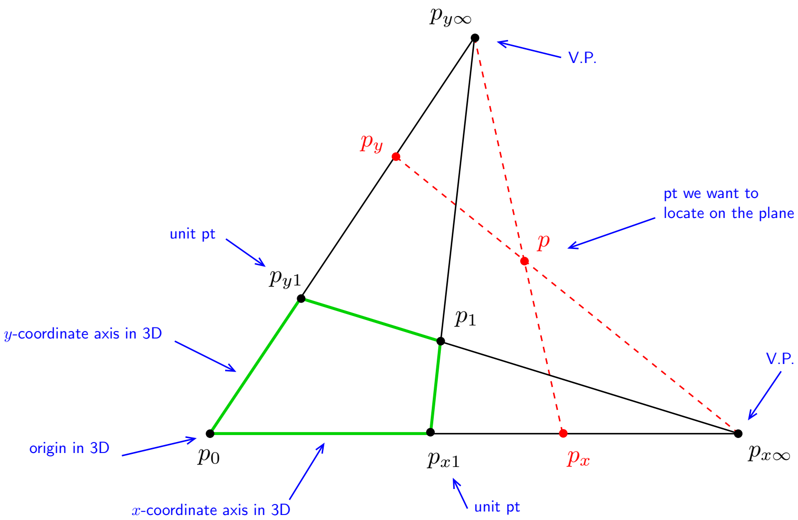




Hints

1. What are the interesting properties of line h connecting the top t_B of Buiding B with the point m at which the horizon intersects the line p joining the foots f_A, f_B of both buildings? [1 point]
2. How do we actually get the horizon n_∞? (we do not see it directly, there are some hills there. . .) [1 point]
3. Give the formula for measuring the length ratio. [formula = 1 point]

2D Projective Coordinates



$$[P_x] = [P_0 \; P_{x1} \; P_x \; P_{x\infty}] \qquad [P_y] = [P_0 \; P_{y1} \; P_y \; P_{y\infty}]$$

Application: Measuring on the Floor (Wall, etc)

San Giovanni in Laterano, Rome

- measuring distances on the floor in terms of tile units
- what are the dimensions of the seal? Is it circular (assuming square tiles)?
- needs no explicit camera calibration

because we can see the calibrating object (vanishing points)

Module III

Computing with a Single Camera

3.1 Calibration: Internal Camera Parameters from Vanishing Points and Lines

3.2 Camera Resection: Projection Matrix from 6 Known Points

3.3 Exterior Orientation: Camera Rotation and Translation from 3 Known Points

3.4 Relative Orientation Problem: Rotation and Translation between Two Point Sets

covered by

[1] [H&Z] Secs: 8.6, 7.1, 22.1

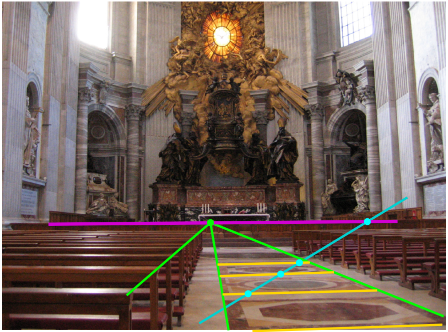
[2] Fischler, M.A. and Bolles, R.C . Random Sample Consensus: A Paradigm for Model Fitting with Applications to Image Analysis and Automated Cartography. *Communications of the ACM* 24(6):381–395, 1981

[3] [Golub & van Loan 2013, Sec. 2.5]

Obtaining Vanishing Points and Lines

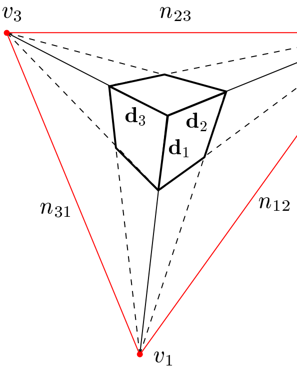
- orthogonal direction pairs can be collected from more images by camera rotation

- vanishing line can be obtained without vanishing points (→48)



▶Camera Calibration from Vanishing Points and Lines

Problem: Given finite vanishing points and/or vanishing lines, compute $\mathbf{K}$



$$\mathbf{d}_i \simeq \mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i, \qquad i = 1,2,3 \quad \rightarrow 42$$
$$\mathbf{p}_{ij} \simeq \mathbf{Q}^{\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ij}, \quad i,j = 1,2,3,\ i \neq j \quad \rightarrow 38 \qquad (2)$$

- simple method: solve (2) after eliminating nuisance pars.

Special Configurations

1. orthogonal rays $\mathbf{d}_1 \perp \mathbf{d}_2$ in space then

$$0 = \mathbf{d}_1^{\top}\mathbf{d}_2 = \underline{\mathbf{v}}_1^{\top}\mathbf{Q}^{-\top}\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{v}}_2 = \underline{\mathbf{v}}_1^{\top}\underbrace{(\mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}^{\top})^{-1}}_{\boldsymbol{\omega}\ \text{(IAC)}}\underline{\mathbf{v}}_2$$

2. orthogonal planes $\mathbf{p}_{ij} \perp \mathbf{p}_{ik}$ in space

$$0 = \mathbf{p}_{ij}^{\top}\mathbf{p}_{ik} = \underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ij}^{\top}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^{\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ik} = \underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ij}^{\top}\boldsymbol{\omega}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ik}$$

3. orthogonal ray and plane $\mathbf{d}_k \parallel \mathbf{p}_{ij}$, $k \neq i,j$ — normal parallel to optical ray

$$\mathbf{p}_{ij} \simeq \mathbf{d}_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{Q}^{\top}\underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ij} = \lambda\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{v}}_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ij} = \lambda\mathbf{Q}^{-\top}\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{v}}_k = \lambda\boldsymbol{\omega}\,\underline{\mathbf{v}}_k, \qquad \lambda \neq 0$$

- n_{ij} may be constructed from non-orthogonal v_i and v_j, e.g. using the cross-ratio
- $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ is a symmetric, positive definite 3×3 matrix — IAC = Image of Absolute Conic

▶cont'd

	configuration	equation	# constraints
(3)	orthogonal v.p.	$\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\omega}\, \underline{\mathbf{v}}_j = 0$	1
(4)	orthogonal v.l.	$\underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ij}^\top \boldsymbol{\omega}^{-1} \underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ik} = 0$	1
(5)	v.p. orthogonal to v.l.	$\underline{\mathbf{n}}_{ij} = \lambda \boldsymbol{\omega}\, \underline{\mathbf{v}}_k$	2
(6)	orthogonal raster $\theta = \pi/2$	$\omega_{12} = \omega_{21} = 0$	1
(7)	unit aspect $a = 1$ when $\theta = \pi/2$	$\omega_{11} - \omega_{22} = 0$	1
(8)	known principal point $u_0 = v_0 = 0$	$\omega_{13} = \omega_{31} = \omega_{23} = \omega_{32} = 0$	2

- these are homogeneous linear equations for the 5 parameters in $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ in the form $\mathbf{D}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0}$
  λ can be eliminated from (5)
- we need at least 5 constraints for full $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ symmetric 3×3
- we get $\mathbf{K}$ from $\boldsymbol{\omega}^{-1} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}^\top$ by Choleski decomposition
  the decomposition returns a positive definite upper triangular matrix
  one avoids solving an explicit set of quadratic equations for the parameters in $\mathbf{K}$
- unlike in the naive method (2), we can introduce constraints on $\mathbf{K}$, e.g. (6)–(8)

Examples

Assuming orthogonal raster, unit aspect (ORUA): $\theta = \pi/2$, $a = 1$

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -u_0 \\ 0 & 1 & -v_0 \\ -u_0 & -v_0 & f^2 + u_0^2 + v_0^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex 1:

Assuming ORUA and known $m_0 = (u_0, v_0)$, two finite orthogonal vanishing points give f

$$\underline{\mathbf{v}}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\omega}\, \underline{\mathbf{v}}_2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad f^2 = \left|(\mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{m}_0)^\top (\mathbf{v}_2 - \mathbf{m}_0)\right|$$

in this formula, $\mathbf{v}_i$, $\mathbf{m}_0$ are Cartesian (not homogeneous)!

Ex 2:

Non-orthogonal vanishing points $\mathbf{v}_i$, $\mathbf{v}_j$, known angle ϕ: $\cos\phi = \dfrac{\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\omega} \underline{\mathbf{v}}_j}{\sqrt{\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\omega} \underline{\mathbf{v}}_i}\sqrt{\underline{\mathbf{v}}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\omega} \underline{\mathbf{v}}_j}}$

- leads to polynomial equations
- e.g. ORUA and $u_0 = v_0 = 0$ gives

$$(f^2 + \mathbf{v}_i^\top \mathbf{v}_j)^2 = (f^2 + \|\mathbf{v}_i\|^2) \cdot (f^2 + \|\mathbf{v}_j\|^2) \cdot \cos^2\phi$$

Image of Absolute Conic

This is the **K** matrix:

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K = {{f, s, u0}, {0, a * f, v0}, {0, 0, 1}}
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$$\begin{pmatrix} f & s & u_0 \\ 0 & a\,f & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The ω matrix:

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ω = Inverse[K.Transpose[K]] * Det[K]^2 // Simplify
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$$\begin{pmatrix} a^2 f^2 & -a\,f\,s & a\,f\,(s\,v_0 - a\,f\,u_0) \\ -a\,f\,s & f^2 + s^2 & a\,f\,s\,u_0 - (f^2 + s^2)\,v_0 \\ a\,f\,(s\,v_0 - a\,f\,u_0) & a\,f\,s\,u_0 - (f^2 + s^2)\,v_0 & a^2 f^4 + a^2 u_0^2 f^2 - 2\,a\,s\,u_0\,v_0\,f + (f^2 + s^2)\,v_0^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The ω matrix with no skew:

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ω / f^2 /. s -> 0 // Simplify // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} a^2 & 0 & -a^2 u_0 \\ 0 & 1 & -v_0 \\ -a^2 u_0 & -v_0 & a^2 f^2 + a^2 u_0^2 + v_0^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

ORUA

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ω / f^2 /. {a -> 1, s -> 0} // Simplify
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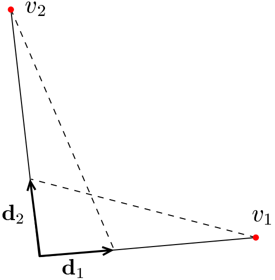
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -u_0 \\ 0 & 1 & -v_0 \\ -u_0 & -v_0 & f^2 + u_0^2 + v_0^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

▶Camera Orientation from Two Finite Vanishing Points

Problem: Given $\mathbf{K}$ and two vanishing points corresponding to two known orthogonal directions $\mathbf{d}_1$, $\mathbf{d}_2$, compute camera orientation $\mathbf{R}$ with respect to the plane.



- 3D coordinate system choice, e.g.:

$$\mathbf{d}_1 = (1,0,0), \quad \mathbf{d}_2 = (0,1,0)$$

- we know that

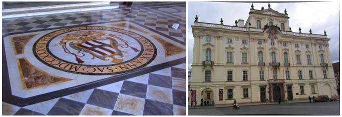
$$\mathbf{d}_i \simeq \mathbf{Q}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i = (\mathbf{K}\mathbf{R})^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i = \mathbf{R}^{-1}\underbrace{\mathbf{K}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i}_{\underline{\mathbf{w}}_i}$$

$$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{d}_i \simeq \underline{\mathbf{w}}_i$$

- knowing $\mathbf{d}_{1,2}$ we conclude that $\underline{\mathbf{w}}_i / \|\underline{\mathbf{w}}_i\|$ is the i-th column $\mathbf{r}_i$ of $\mathbf{R}$
- the third column is orthogonal: $\mathbf{r}_3 \simeq \mathbf{r}_1 \times \mathbf{r}_2$

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\underline{\mathbf{w}}_1}{\|\underline{\mathbf{w}}_1\|} & \frac{\underline{\mathbf{w}}_2}{\|\underline{\mathbf{w}}_2\|} & \frac{\underline{\mathbf{w}}_1 \times \underline{\mathbf{w}}_2}{\|\underline{\mathbf{w}}_1 \times \underline{\mathbf{w}}_2\|} \end{bmatrix}$$

some suitable scenes



Application: Planar Rectification

Principle: Rotate camera parallel to the plane of interest.

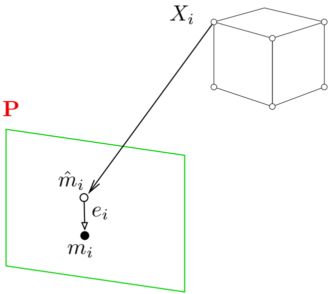
$$\underline{\mathbf{m}} \simeq \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}\end{bmatrix}\underline{\mathbf{X}} \qquad \underline{\mathbf{m}}' \simeq \mathbf{K}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}\end{bmatrix}\underline{\mathbf{X}}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}}' \simeq \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{K}\mathbf{R})^{-1}\,\underline{\mathbf{m}} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}^\top\mathbf{K}^{-1}\,\underline{\mathbf{m}} = \mathbf{H}\,\underline{\mathbf{m}}$$

- $\mathbf{H}$ is the rectifying homography
- both $\mathbf{K}$ and $\mathbf{R}$ can be calibrated from two finite vanishing points assuming ORUA →56
- not possible when one (or both) of them are infinite
- without ORUA we would need 4 additional views to calibrate $\mathbf{K}$ as on →53

▶Camera Resection

Camera calibration and orientation from a known set of $k \geq 6$ reference points and their images $\{(X_i, m_i)\}_{i=1}^{6}$.

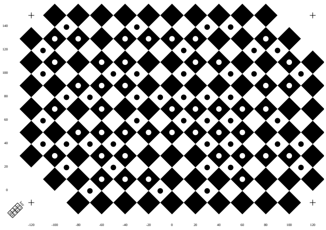


- X_i are considered exact
- m_i is a measurement subject to detection error

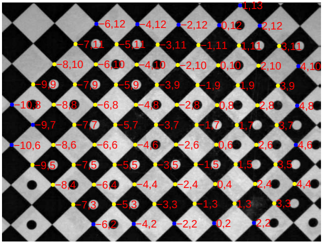
$$\mathbf{m}_i = \hat{\mathbf{m}}_i + \mathbf{e}_i \qquad \text{Cartesian}$$

- where $\underline{\hat{\mathbf{m}}}_i \simeq \mathbf{P}\underline{\mathbf{X}}_i$

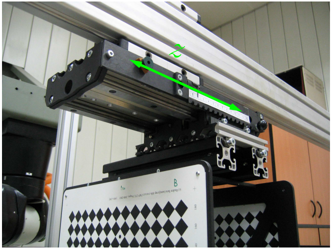
Resection Targets



calibration chart



automatic calibration point detection



resection target with translation stage

- target translated at least once
- by a calibrated (known) translation
- X_i point locations looked up in a table based on their code

►The Minimal Problem for Camera Resection

Problem: Given $k = 6$ corresponding pairs $\{(X_i, m_i)\}_{i=1}^k$, find $\mathbf{P}$

$$\lambda_i \underline{\mathbf{m}}_i = \mathbf{P}\underline{\mathbf{X}}_i, \qquad \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1^\top & q_{14} \\ \mathbf{q}_2^\top & q_{24} \\ \mathbf{q}_3^\top & q_{34} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{aligned} \underline{\mathbf{X}}_i &= (x_i, y_i, z_i, 1), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k, \; k = 6 \\ \underline{\mathbf{m}}_i &= (u_i, v_i, 1), \quad \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}, \; \lambda_i \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

easy to modify for infinite points X_i but be aware of →64

expanded: $\lambda_i u_i = \mathbf{q}_1^\top \mathbf{X}_i + q_{14}, \quad \lambda_i v_i = \mathbf{q}_2^\top \mathbf{X}_i + q_{24}, \quad \lambda_i = \mathbf{q}_3^\top \mathbf{X}_i + q_{34}$

after elimination of λ_i: $(\mathbf{q}_3^\top \mathbf{X}_i + q_{34}) u_i = \mathbf{q}_1^\top \mathbf{X}_i + q_{14}, \quad (\mathbf{q}_3^\top \mathbf{X}_i + q_{34}) v_i = \mathbf{q}_2^\top \mathbf{X}_i + q_{24}$

Then

$$\mathbf{A}\,\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_1^\top & 1 & \mathbf{0}^\top & 0 & -u_1\mathbf{X}_1^\top & -u_1 \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 0 & \mathbf{X}_1^\top & 1 & -v_1\mathbf{X}_1^\top & -v_1 \\ \vdots & & & & & \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_k^\top & 1 & \mathbf{0}^\top & 0 & -u_k\mathbf{X}_k^\top & -u_k \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 0 & \mathbf{X}_k^\top & 1 & -v_k\mathbf{X}_k^\top & -v_k \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 \\ q_{14} \\ \mathbf{q}_2 \\ q_{24} \\ \mathbf{q}_3 \\ q_{34} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \tag{9}$$

- we need 11 indepedent parameters for $\mathbf{P}$
- $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{2k,12}$, $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{12}$
- 6 points in a general position give $\operatorname{rank} \mathbf{A} = 12$ and there is no non-trivial null space
- drop one row to get rank 11 matrix, then the basis vector of the null space of $\mathbf{A}$ gives $\mathbf{q}$

▶The Jack-Knife Solution for $k = 6$

- given the 6 correspondences, we have 12 equations for the 11 parameters
- can we use all the information present in the 6 points?

Jack-knife estimation

1. $n := 0$
2. for $i = 1, 2, \ldots, 2k$ do
   a) delete i-th row from $\mathbf{A}$, this gives $\mathbf{A}_i$
   b) if $\dim \operatorname{null} \mathbf{A}_i > 1$ continue with the next i
   c) $n := n + 1$
   d) compute the right null-space $\mathbf{q}_i$ of $\mathbf{A}_i$ — e.g. by 'economy-size' SVD
   e) $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_i := \mathbf{q}_i$ normalized to $q_{34} = 1$ and dimension-reduced — assuming finite cam. with $P_{3,4} = 1$
3. from all n vectors $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_i$ collected in Step 1d compute

$$\mathbf{q} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{\mathbf{q}}_i, \qquad \operatorname{var}[\mathbf{q}] = \frac{n-1}{n} \operatorname{diag} \sum_{i-1}^{n} (\hat{\mathbf{q}}_i - \mathbf{q})(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_i - \mathbf{q})^\top$$

regular for $n \geq 11$

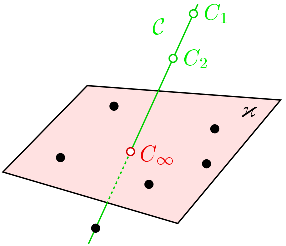
- have a solution + an error estimate, per individual elements of $\mathbf{P}$ (except P_{34})
- at least 5 points must be in a general position (→64)
- large error indicates near degeneracy
- computation not efficient with $k > 6$ points, needs $\binom{2k}{11}$ draws, e.g. $k = 7 \Rightarrow 364$ draws
- better error estimation method: decompose $\mathbf{P}_i$ to $\mathbf{K}_i$, $\mathbf{R}_i$, $\mathbf{t}_i$ (→32), represent $\mathbf{R}_i$ with 3 parameters (e.g. Euler angles, or in Cayley representation →141) and compute the errors for the parameters

►Degenerate (Critical) Configurations for Camera Resection

Let $\mathcal{X} = \{X_i;\ i = 1, \ldots\}$ be a set of points and $\mathbf{P}_1 \not\simeq \mathbf{P}_j$ be two regular (rank-3) cameras. Then two configurations $(\mathbf{P}_1, \mathcal{X})$ and $(\mathbf{P}_j, \mathcal{X})$ are image-equivalent if

$$\mathbf{P}_1 \underline{\mathbf{X}}_i \simeq \mathbf{P}_j \underline{\mathbf{X}}_i \quad \text{for all} \quad X_i \in \mathcal{X}$$

there is a non-trivial set of other cameras that see the same image



Case 4

- **importantly**: If all calibration points $X_i \in \mathcal{X}$ lie on a plane $\varkappa$ then camera resection is non-unique and all image-equivalent camera centers lie on a spatial line $\mathcal{C}$ with the $C_\infty = \varkappa \cap \mathcal{C}$ excluded

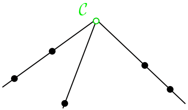
  this also means we cannot resect if all X_i are infinite
- by adding points $X_i \in \mathcal{X}$ to $\mathcal{C}$ we gain nothing
- there are additional image-equivalent configurations, see next

proof sketch in [H&Z, Sec. 22.1.2]

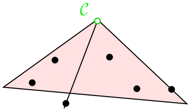
Note that if $\mathbf{Q}$, $\mathbf{T}$ are suitable homographies then $\mathbf{P}_1 \simeq \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{P}_0\mathbf{T}$, where $\mathbf{P}_0$ is canonical and the analysis can be made with $\hat{\mathbf{P}}_j \simeq \mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{P}_j$

$$\mathbf{P}_0 \underbrace{\mathbf{T}\underline{\mathbf{X}}_i}_{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}_i} \simeq \hat{\mathbf{P}}_j \underbrace{\mathbf{T}\underline{\mathbf{X}}_i}_{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}_i} \quad \text{for all} \quad Y_i \in \mathcal{Y}$$

cont'd (all cases)

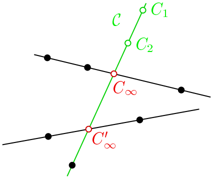


Case 5

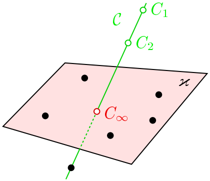


Case 6

- cameras C_1, C_2 co-located at point $\mathcal{C}$
- points on three optical rays or one optical ray and one optical plane
- Case 5: camera sees 3 isolated point images
- Case 6: cam. sees a line of points and an isolated point



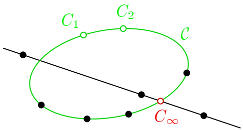
Case 3



Case 4

- cameras lie on a line $\mathcal{C} \setminus \{C_\infty, C'_\infty\}$
- points lie on $\mathcal{C}$ and
  1. on two lines meeting $\mathcal{C}$ at C_∞, C'_∞
  2. or on a plane meeting $\mathcal{C}$ at C_∞
- Case 3: camera sees 2 lines of points

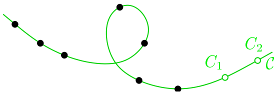
Case 2



- cameras lie on a planar conic $\mathcal{C} \setminus \{C_\infty\}$

  not necessarily an ellipse
- points lie on $\mathcal{C}$ and an additional line meeting the conic at C_∞
- Case 2: camera sees 2 lines of points

Case 1



- cameras and points all lie on a twisted cubic $\mathcal{C}$
- Case 1: camera sees points on a conic

►Three-Point Exterior Orientation Problem (P3P)

Calibrated camera rotation and translation from Perspective images of 3 reference Points.

Problem: Given $\mathbf{K}$ and three corresponding pairs $\{(m_i, X_i)\}_{i=1}^3$, find $\mathbf{R}$, $\mathbf{C}$ by solving

$$\lambda_i \underline{\mathbf{m}}_i = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}\,(\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{C}), \qquad i = 1, 2, 3$$

1. Transform $\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{K}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{m}}_i$. Then

$$\lambda_i \underline{\mathbf{v}}_i = \mathbf{R}\,(\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{C}). \tag{10}$$

2. Eliminate $\mathbf{R}$ by taking   rotation preserves length: $\|\mathbf{R}\mathbf{x}\| = \|\mathbf{x}\|$

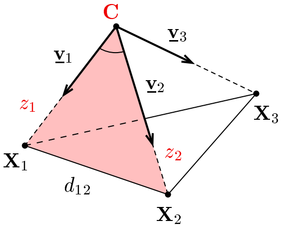
$$|\lambda_i| \cdot \|\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i\| = \|\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{C}\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} z_i \tag{11}$$

3. Consider only angles among $\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i$ and apply Cosine Law per triangle $(\mathbf{C}, \mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{X}_j)$ $i, j = 1, 2, 3,\ i \neq j$

$$d_{ij}^2 = z_i^2 + z_j^2 - 2\, z_i\, z_j\, c_{ij},$$

$$z_i = \|\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{C}\|,\ \ d_{ij} = \|\mathbf{X}_j - \mathbf{X}_i\|,\ \ c_{ij} = \cos(\angle \underline{\mathbf{v}}_i\, \underline{\mathbf{v}}_j)$$

configuration w/o rotation in (11)

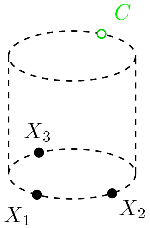


4. Solve system of 3 quadratic eqs in 3 unknowns z_i [Fischler & Bolles, 1981]
   there may be no real root; there are up to 4 solutions that cannot be ignored (verify on additional points)

5. Compute $\mathbf{C}$ by trilateration (3-sphere intersection) from $\mathbf{X}_i$ and z_i; then λ_i from (11) and $\mathbf{R}$ from (10)

Similar problems (P4P with unknown f) at http://cmp.felk.cvut.cz/minimal/ (with code)

Degenerate (Critical) Configurations for Exterior Orientation



unstable solution

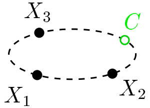
- center of projection C located on the orthogonal circular cylinder with base circumscribing the three points X_i

unstable: a small change of X_i results in a large change of C
can be detected by error propagation

degenerate

- camera C is coplanar with points (X_1, X_2, X_3) but is not on the circumscribed circle of (X_1, X_2, X_3)

camera sees point on a line



no solution

1. C cocyclic with (X_1, X_2, X_3) camera sees points on a line

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- additional critical configurations depend on the method to solve the quadratic equations

[Haralick et al. IJCV 1994]

►Populating A Little ZOO of Minimal Geometric Problems in CV

problem	**given**	**unknown**	slide
camera resection	6 world–img correspondences $\left\{(X_i,\, m_i)\right\}_{i=1}^{6}$	$\mathbf{P}$	62
exterior orientation	$\mathbf{K}$, 3 world–img correspondences $\left\{(X_i,\, m_i)\right\}_{i=1}^{3}$	$\mathbf{R}$, $\mathbf{C}$	66
relative orientation	3 world-world correspondences $\left\{(X_i,\, Y_i)\right\}_{i=1}^{3}$	$\mathbf{R}$, $\mathbf{t}$	69

- camera resection and exterior orientation are similar problems in a sense:
  - we do resectioning when our camera is uncalibrated
  - we do orientation when our camera is calibrated
- relative orientation involves no camera (see next)
- more problems to come

The Relative Orientation Problem

Problem: Given two point triples (X_1, X_2, X_3) and (Y_1, Y_2, Y_3) in a general position in $\mathbb{R}^3$ such that the correspondence $X_i \leftrightarrow Y_i$ is known, determine the relative orientation $(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t})$ that maps $\mathbf{X}_i$ to $\mathbf{Y}_i$, i.e.

$$\mathbf{Y}_i = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{X}_i + \mathbf{t}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3\,.$$

Applies to:

- 3D scanners
- partial reconstructions from different viewpoints

Obs: Let $\bar{\mathbf{X}} = \frac{1}{3}\sum_i \mathbf{X}_i$ and analogically for $\bar{\mathbf{Y}}$. Then

$$\bar{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{R}\bar{\mathbf{X}} + \mathbf{t}.$$

Therefore

$$\mathbf{Z}_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathbf{Y}_i - \bar{\mathbf{Y}}) = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{X}_i - \bar{\mathbf{X}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{R}\mathbf{W}_i$$

If all dot products are equal, $\mathbf{Z}_i^\top \mathbf{Z}_j = \mathbf{W}_i^\top \mathbf{W}_j$ for $i, j = 1, 2, 3$, we have

$$\mathbf{R}^* = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{W}_1 & \mathbf{W}_2 & \mathbf{W}_3\end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{Z}_1 & \mathbf{Z}_2 & \mathbf{Z}_3\end{bmatrix}$$

Otherwise (in practice) we setup a minimization problem

$$\mathbf{R}^* = \arg\min_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_i \|\mathbf{Z}_i - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{W}_i\|^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{R}^\top\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_i \|\mathbf{Z}_i - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{W}_i\|^2 = \min_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_i \left(\|\mathbf{Z}_i\|^2 - 2\mathbf{Z}_i^\top \mathbf{R}\mathbf{W}_i + \|\mathbf{W}_i\|^2\right) = \cdots = \max_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_i \mathbf{Z}_i^\top \mathbf{R}\mathbf{W}_i$$

Obs 1: Let $\mathbf{A} : \mathbf{B} = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} b_{ij}$ be the dot-product (Frobenius inner product) over real matrices. Then

$$\mathbf{A} : \mathbf{B} = \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{B})$$

Obs 2:

$$\mathbf{Z}_i^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{W}_i = (\mathbf{Z}_i \mathbf{W}_i^\top) : \mathbf{R}$$

Obs 3: (cyclic property for matrix trace)

$$\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{ABC}) = \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{BCA})$$

Let the SVD be

$$\sum_i \mathbf{Z}_i \mathbf{W}_i^\top \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{UDV}^\top$$

Then

$$\mathbf{R} : \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{R} : (\mathbf{UDV}^\top) = \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{UDV}^\top) = \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{V}^\top \mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{UD}) = (\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{V}) : \mathbf{D}$$

cont'd: The Algorithm

We are solving

$$\mathbf{R}^* = \arg\max_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_i \mathbf{Z}_i^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{W}_i = \arg\max_{\mathbf{R}} \left(\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{V}\right) : \mathbf{D}$$

It follows that $\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{V}$ must be (1) diagonal, (2) orthogonal, (3) positive definite matrix. Since $\mathbf{U}$, $\mathbf{V}$ are orthogonal matrices then the solution to the problem is $\mathbf{R}^* = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{V}^\top$, where $\mathbf{S}$ is diagonal and orthogonal, i.e. one of

$$\pm\,\mathrm{diag}(1,1,1), \quad \pm\,\mathrm{diag}(1,-1,-1), \quad \pm\,\mathrm{diag}(-1,1,-1), \quad \pm\,\mathrm{diag}(-1,-1,1)$$

whichever gives $(\mathbf{R}^*)^\top \mathbf{R}^* = \mathbf{I}$

Alg:

1. Compute matrix $\mathbf{M} = \sum_i \mathbf{Z}_i \mathbf{W}_i^\top$.
2. Compute SVD $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top$.
3. Compute all $\mathbf{R}_k = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{S}_k\mathbf{V}^\top$ that give $\mathbf{R}_k^\top \mathbf{R}_k = \mathbf{I}$.
4. Compute $\mathbf{t}_k = \bar{\mathbf{Y}} - \mathbf{R}_k \bar{\mathbf{X}}$.

- The algorithm can be used for more than 3 points
- The P3P problem is very similar but not identical

Module IV

Computing with a Camera Pair

covered by

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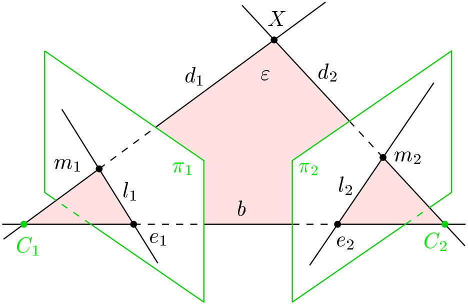
▸Geometric Model of a Camera Pair

Epipolar geometry:

- brings constraints necessary for inter-image matching
- its parametric form encapsulates information about the relative pose of two cameras



two-camera setup

Description

- baseline b joins projection centers C_1, C_2
$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{C}_2 - \mathbf{C}_1$$
- epipole $e_i \in \pi_i$ is the image of C_j:
$$\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1 \simeq \mathbf{P}_1 \underline{\mathbf{C}}_2, \quad \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 \simeq \mathbf{P}_2 \underline{\mathbf{C}}_1$$
- $l_i \in \pi_i$ is the image of epipolar plane
$$\varepsilon = (C_2, X, C_1)$$
- l_j is the epipolar line in image π_j induced by m_i in image π_i

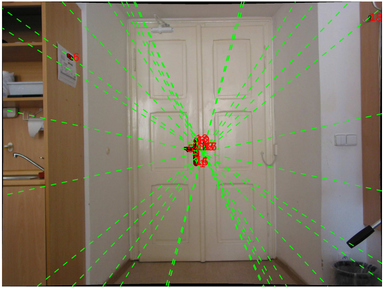
Epipolar constraint: corresponding d_2, b, d_1 are coplanar

a necessary condition →86

$$\mathbf{P}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_i & \mathbf{q}_i \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}_i \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}_i \mathbf{R}_i \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}_i \end{bmatrix} \quad i = 1, 2$$

→31

Epipolar Geometry Example: Forward Motion



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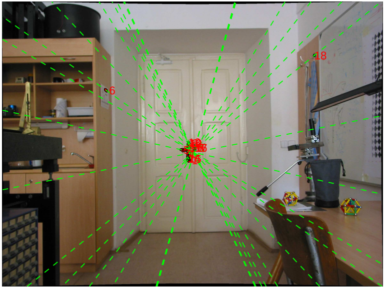

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- red: correspondences
- green: epipolar line pairs per correspondence

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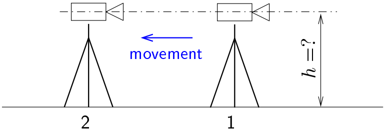
How high was the camera above the floor?



▶Cross Products and Maps by Skew-Symmetric 3×3 Matrices

- There is an equivalence $\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{m} = [\mathbf{b}]_\times \mathbf{m}$, where $[\mathbf{b}]_\times$ is a 3×3 skew-symmetric matrix

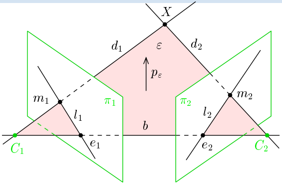
$$[\mathbf{b}]_\times = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -b_3 & b_2 \\ b_3 & 0 & -b_1 \\ -b_2 & b_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \text{assuming} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Some properties

1. $[\mathbf{b}]_\times^\top = -[\mathbf{b}]_\times$ — the general antisymmetry property
2. $\mathbf{A}$ is skew-symmetric iff $\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = 0$ for all $\mathbf{x}$ — skew-sym mtx generalizes cross products
3. $[\mathbf{b}]_\times^3 = -\|\mathbf{b}\|^2 \cdot [\mathbf{b}]_\times$
4. $\|[\mathbf{b}]_\times\|_F = \sqrt{2}\,\|\mathbf{b}\|$ — Frobenius norm ($\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \sqrt{\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A})} = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}|^2}$)
5. $[\mathbf{b}]_\times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$
6. $\operatorname{rank} [\mathbf{b}]_\times = 2$ iff $\|\mathbf{b}\| > 0$ — check minors of $[\mathbf{b}]_\times$
7. eigenvalues of $[\mathbf{b}]_\times$ are $(0, \lambda, -\lambda)$
8. for any regular $\mathbf{B}$: $\mathbf{B}^\top [\mathbf{B}\mathbf{z}]_\times \mathbf{B} = \det \mathbf{B}\, [\mathbf{z}]_\times$ — follows from the factoring on →38
9. in particular: if $\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}^\top = \mathbf{I}$ then $\mathbf{R}^\top [\mathbf{R}\mathbf{b}]_\times \mathbf{R} = [\mathbf{b}]_\times$

- note that if $\mathbf{R}_b$ is rotation about $\mathbf{b}$ then $\mathbf{R}_b \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}$
- note $[\mathbf{b}]_\times$ is not a homography; it is not a rotation matrix — it is a logarithm of a rotation mtx

▸Expressing Epipolar Constraint Algebraically



$$\mathbf{P}_i = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{Q}_i & \mathbf{q}_i\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}_i \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i\end{bmatrix},\ i = 1, 2$$

$\mathbf{R}_{21}$ – relative camera rotation, $\mathbf{R}_{21} = \mathbf{R}_2 \mathbf{R}_1^\top$

$\mathbf{t}_{21}$ – relative camera translation, $\mathbf{t}_{21} = \mathbf{t}_2 - \mathbf{R}_{21}\mathbf{t}_1 = -\mathbf{R}_2 \mathbf{b}$ →73

$\mathbf{b}$ – baseline vector (world coordinate system)

remember: $\mathbf{C} = -\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{q} = -\mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{t}$ →32 and 34

$$0 = \mathbf{d}_2^\top \underbrace{\mathbf{p}_\varepsilon}_{\text{normal of } \varepsilon} \simeq \underbrace{(\mathbf{Q}_2^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{m}}_2)^\top}_{\text{optical ray}} \underbrace{\mathbf{Q}_1^\top \underline{\mathbf{l}}_1}_{\text{optical plane}} = \underline{\mathbf{m}}_2^\top \underbrace{\mathbf{Q}_2^{-\top}\mathbf{Q}_1^\top (\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1 \times \underline{\mathbf{m}}_1)}_{\text{image of } \varepsilon \text{ in } \pi_2} = \underline{\mathbf{m}}_2^\top \underbrace{\left(\mathbf{Q}_2^{-\top}\mathbf{Q}_1^\top [\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1]_\times\right)}_{\text{fundamental matrix } \mathbf{F}} \underline{\mathbf{m}}_1$$

Epipolar constraint $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_2^\top \mathbf{F}\, \underline{\mathbf{m}}_1 = 0$ is a point-line incidence constraint

- point $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_2$ is incident on epipolar line $\underline{\mathbf{l}}_2 \simeq \mathbf{F}\underline{\mathbf{m}}_1$
- point $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_1$ is incident on epipolar line $\underline{\mathbf{l}}_1 \simeq \mathbf{F}^\top\underline{\mathbf{m}}_2$
- $\mathbf{F}\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1 = \mathbf{F}^\top \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 = \mathbf{0}$ (non-trivially)
- all epipolars meet at the epipole

$$\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1 \simeq \mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{C}_2 + \mathbf{q}_1 = \mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{C}_2 - \mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{C}_1 = \mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{R}_1 \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{R}_1 \mathbf{R}_2^\top \mathbf{t}_{21} = -\mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{R}_{21}^\top \mathbf{t}_{21}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{Q}_2^{-\top}\mathbf{Q}_1^\top [\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1]_\times = \mathbf{Q}_2^{-\top}\mathbf{Q}_1^\top [\mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{R}_1 \mathbf{b}]_\times \overset{\circledast 1}{=} \cdots \simeq \mathbf{K}_2^{-\top}[-\mathbf{t}_{21}]_\times \mathbf{R}_{21}\mathbf{K}_1^{-1}$$ fundamental

$$\mathbf{E} = [-\mathbf{t}_{21}]_\times \mathbf{R}_{21} = \underbrace{[\mathbf{R}_2 \mathbf{b}]_\times}_{\text{baseline in Cam 2}} \mathbf{R}_{21} = \mathbf{R}_{21} \underbrace{[\mathbf{R}_1 \mathbf{b}]_\times}_{\text{baseline in Cam 1}} = \mathbf{R}_{21}[-\mathbf{R}_{21}\mathbf{t}_{21}]_\times$$ essential

►The Structure and the Key Properties of the Fundamental Matrix

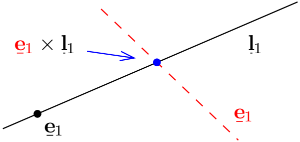
$$\mathbf{F} = (\underbrace{\mathbf{Q}_2\mathbf{Q}_1^{-1}}_{\text{epipolar homography } \mathbf{H}_e})^{-\top}[\mathbf{e}_1]_\times = \underbrace{\mathbf{K}_2^{-\top}\mathbf{R}_{21}\mathbf{K}_1^{\top}}_{\mathbf{H}_e^{-\top}}[\overbrace{\mathbf{e}_1}^{\text{left epipole}}]_\times \overset{\to 75}{\simeq} [\overbrace{\mathbf{H}_e\mathbf{e}_1}^{\text{right epipole}}]_\times \mathbf{H}_e = \mathbf{K}_2^{-\top}\underbrace{[-\mathbf{t}_{21}]_\times\mathbf{R}_{21}}_{\text{essential matrix } \mathbf{E}}\mathbf{K}_1^{-1}$$

1. $\mathbf{E}$ captures relative camera pose only [Longuet-Higgins 1981]
   (the change of the world coordinate system does not change $\mathbf{E}$)

$$\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R}'_i & \mathbf{t}'_i\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i\end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R}_i\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{R}_i\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{t}_i\end{bmatrix},$$

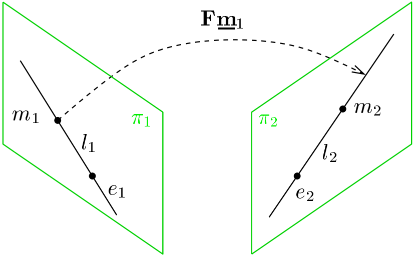
   then
$$\mathbf{R}'_{21} = \mathbf{R}'_2\mathbf{R}'^{\top}_1 = \cdots = \mathbf{R}_{21} \qquad \mathbf{t}'_{21} = \mathbf{t}'_2 - \mathbf{R}'_{21}\mathbf{t}'_1 = \cdots = \mathbf{t}_{21}$$

2. the translation length $\mathbf{t}_{21}$ is lost since $\mathbf{E}$ is homogeneous
3. $\mathbf{F}$ maps points to lines and it is not a homography
4. $\mathbf{H}_e$ maps epipoles to epipoles, $\mathbf{H}_e^{-\top}$ epipolar lines to epipolar lines: $\underline{\mathbf{l}}_2 \simeq \mathbf{H}_e^{-\top}\underline{\mathbf{l}}_1$



- replacement for $\mathbf{H}_e^{-\top}$ for epipolar line map: $\underline{\mathbf{l}}_2 \simeq \mathbf{F}[\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1]_\times\underline{\mathbf{l}}_1$
- proof by point/line ‘transmutation’ (left)
- point $\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1$ does not lie on line $\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1$ (dashed): $\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1^\top\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1 \neq 0$
- $\mathbf{F}[\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1]_\times$ is not a homography, unlike $\mathbf{H}_e^{-\top}$ but it does the same job for epipolar line mapping

▶Some Mappings by the Fundamental Matrix



$$0 = \underline{\mathbf{m}}_2^\top \mathbf{F}\, \underline{\mathbf{m}}_1$$

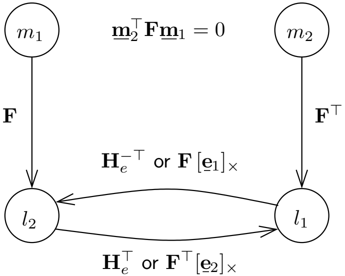
$$\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1 \simeq \mathrm{null}(\mathbf{F}), \qquad \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 \simeq \mathrm{null}(\mathbf{F}^\top)$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1 \simeq \mathbf{H}_e^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 \qquad \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 \simeq \mathbf{H}_e\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{l}}_1 \simeq \mathbf{F}^\top\underline{\mathbf{m}}_2 \qquad \underline{\mathbf{l}}_2 \simeq \mathbf{F}\underline{\mathbf{m}}_1$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{l}}_1 \simeq \mathbf{H}_e^\top\underline{\mathbf{l}}_2 \qquad \underline{\mathbf{l}}_2 \simeq \mathbf{H}_e^{-\top}\underline{\mathbf{l}}_1$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{l}}_1 \simeq \mathbf{F}^\top[\underline{\mathbf{e}}_2]_\times\underline{\mathbf{l}}_2 \qquad \underline{\mathbf{l}}_2 \simeq \mathbf{F}[\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1]_\times\underline{\mathbf{l}}_1$$



- $\mathbf{F}[\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1]_\times$ maps lines to lines but it is not a homography
- $\mathbf{H}_e = \mathbf{Q}_2\mathbf{Q}_1^{-1}$ is the epipolar homography→77
  $\mathbf{H}_e^{-\top}$ maps epipolar lines to epipolar lines, where

$$\mathbf{H}_e = \mathbf{Q}_2\mathbf{Q}_1^{-1} = \mathbf{K}_2\mathbf{R}_{21}\mathbf{K}_1^{-1}$$

you have seen this →59

▶Representation Theorem for Fundamental Matrices

Theorem: Every 3×3 matrix of rank 2 is a fundamental matrix.

Proof.

Converse: By the definition $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{H}^{-\top}[\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1]_\times$ is a 3×3 matrix of rank 2.

Direct:

1. let $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top$ be the SVD of a 3×3 matrix $\mathbf{A}$ of rank 2; then $\mathbf{D} = \mathrm{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, 0)$, $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$
2. we can write $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{C}$, where $\mathbf{B} = \mathrm{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)$, $\mathbf{C} = \mathrm{diag}(1, 1, 0)$, $\lambda_3 = 1$ (w.l.o.g.)
3. then $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{V}^\top = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{C}\underbrace{\mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^\top}_{\mathbf{I}}\mathbf{V}^\top$ with $\mathbf{W}$ rotation
4. we look for a rotation $\mathbf{W}$ that maps $\mathbf{C}$ to a skew-symmetric $\mathbf{S}$, i.e. $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{W}$
5. then $\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha & 0 \\ -\alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $|\alpha| = 1$, and $\mathbf{S} = [\mathbf{s}]_\times$, $\mathbf{s} = (0, 0, 1)$
6. we can write

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{B}[\mathbf{s}]_\times \mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{V}^\top = \overset{\circledast 1}{\cdots} = \underbrace{\mathbf{U}\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{W})^\top}_{\mathbf{H}^{-\top}}[\mathbf{v}_3]_\times, \qquad \mathbf{v}_3 \text{ – 3rd column of } \mathbf{V} \tag{12}$$

7. $\mathbf{H}$ regular $\Rightarrow$ $\mathbf{A}$ does the job of a fundamental matrix, with epipole $\mathbf{v}_3$ and epipolar homography $\mathbf{H}$ □

- we also got a (non-unique: $\alpha = \pm 1$) decomposition formula for fundamental matrices
- it follows there is no constraint on $\mathbf{F}$ except the rank

▶Representation Theorem for Essential Matrices

Theorem

Let $\mathbf{E}$ be a 3×3 matrix with SVD $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top$. Then $\mathbf{E}$ is essential iff $\mathbf{D} \simeq \mathrm{diag}(1, 1, 0)$.

Proof.

Direct:

If $\mathbf{E}$ is an essential matrix, then the epipolar homography is a rotation (→77) and $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{W})^\top$ in (12) must be orthogonal, therefore $\mathbf{B} = \lambda\mathbf{I}$.

Converse:

$\mathbf{E}$ is fundamental with $\mathbf{D} = \lambda\,\mathrm{diag}(1, 1, 0)$ then we do not need $\mathbf{B}$ (as if $\mathbf{B} = \lambda\mathbf{I}$) in (12) and $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{W})^\top$ is orthogonal, as required.

□

▶Essential Matrix Decomposition

We are decomposing $\mathbf{E}$ to $\mathbf{E} = [-\mathbf{t}_{21}]_\times \mathbf{R}_{21} = \mathbf{R}_{21}[-\mathbf{R}_{21}^\top \mathbf{t}_{21}]_\times$ [H&Z, sec. 9.6]

1. compute SVD of $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top$ and verify $\mathbf{D} = \lambda\,\mathrm{diag}(1,1,0)$
2. if $\det \mathbf{U} < 0$ change signs $\mathbf{U} \mapsto -\mathbf{U}$, $\mathbf{V} \mapsto -\mathbf{V}$ the overall sign is dropped
3. compute

$$\mathbf{R}_{21} = \mathbf{U} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha & 0 \\ -\alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{V}^\top, \quad \mathbf{t}_{21} = -\beta\,\mathbf{u}_3, \qquad |\alpha| = 1, \quad \beta \neq 0 \tag{13}$$

Notes

- $\mathbf{v}_3 \simeq \mathbf{R}_{21}^\top \mathbf{t}_{21}$ by (12), hence $\mathbf{R}_{21}\mathbf{v}_3 \simeq \mathbf{t}_{21} \simeq \mathbf{u}_3$ since it must fall in left null space by $\mathbf{E} \simeq [\mathbf{u}_3]_\times \mathbf{R}$
- $\mathbf{t}_{21}$ is recoverable up to scale β and direction $\mathrm{sign}\,\beta$
- the result for $\mathbf{R}_{21}$ is unique up to $\alpha = \pm 1$ despite non-uniqueness of SVD
- change of sign in α rotates the solution by $180°$ about $\mathbf{t}_{21}$

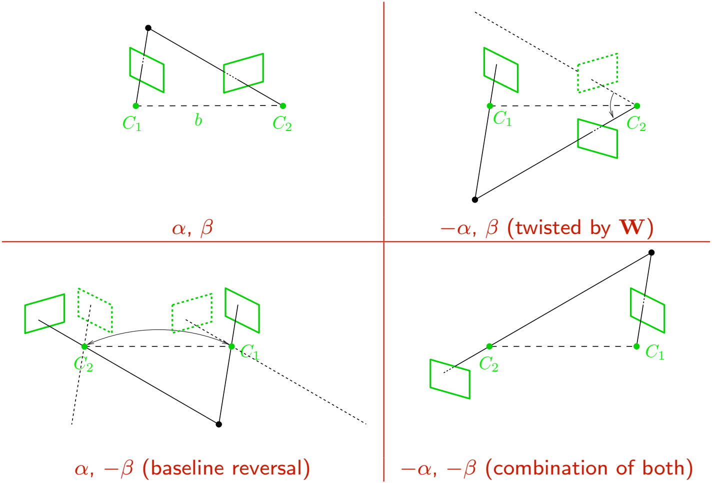
  $\mathbf{R}(\alpha) = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{V}^\top$, $\mathbf{R}(-\alpha) = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{W}^\top\mathbf{V}^\top \Rightarrow \mathbf{T} = \mathbf{R}(-\alpha)\mathbf{R}^\top(\alpha) = \cdots = \mathbf{U}\,\mathrm{diag}(-1,-1,1)\mathbf{U}^\top$
  which is a rotation by $180°$ about $\mathbf{u}_3 = \mathbf{t}_{21}$:

$$\mathbf{U}\,\mathrm{diag}(-1,-1,1)\mathbf{U}^\top\mathbf{u}_3 = \mathbf{U}\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{u}_3$$

- 4 solution sets for 4 sign combinations of α, β see next for geometric interpretation

▶Four Solutions to Essential Matrix Decomposition

Transform the world coordinate system so that the origin is in Camera 2. Then $\mathbf{t}_{21} = -\mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{W}$ rotates about the baseline $\mathbf{b}$. →76



- chirality constraint: all 3D points are in front of both cameras
- this singles-out the upper left case

[H&Z, Sec. 9.6.3]

▶7-Point Algorithm for Estimating Fundamental Matrix

Problem: Given a set $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^{k}$ of $k = 7$ correspondences, estimate f. m. $\mathbf{F}$.

$$\underline{\mathbf{y}}_i^\top \mathbf{F}\, \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, k, \qquad \underline{\text{known}}\text{:} \quad \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i = (u_i^1, v_i^1, 1), \quad \underline{\mathbf{y}}_i = (u_i^2, v_i^2, 1)$$

terminology: correspondence = truth, later: match = algorithm's result; hypothesized corresp.

Solution:

$$\underline{\mathbf{y}}_i^\top \mathbf{F}\, \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i = (\underline{\mathbf{y}}_i \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i^\top) : \mathbf{F} = \left(\mathrm{vec}(\underline{\mathbf{y}}_i \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i^\top)\right)^\top \mathrm{vec}(\mathbf{F}),$$

$$\mathrm{vec}(\mathbf{F}) = \begin{bmatrix} f_{11} & f_{21} & f_{31} & \dots & f_{33} \end{bmatrix}^\top \in \mathbb{R}^9$$ column vector from matrix

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} \left(\mathrm{vec}(\underline{\mathbf{y}}_1 \underline{\mathbf{x}}_1^\top)\right)^\top \\ \left(\mathrm{vec}(\underline{\mathbf{y}}_2 \underline{\mathbf{x}}_2^\top)\right)^\top \\ \left(\mathrm{vec}(\underline{\mathbf{y}}_3 \underline{\mathbf{x}}_3^\top)\right)^\top \\ \vdots \\ \left(\mathrm{vec}(\underline{\mathbf{y}}_k \underline{\mathbf{x}}_k^\top)\right)^\top \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1^1 u_1^2 & u_1^1 v_1^2 & u_1^1 & u_1^2 v_1^1 & v_1^1 v_1^2 & v_1^1 & u_1^2 & v_1^2 & 1 \\ u_2^1 u_2^2 & u_2^1 v_2^2 & u_2^1 & u_2^2 v_2^1 & v_2^1 v_2^2 & v_2^1 & u_2^2 & v_2^2 & 1 \\ u_3^1 u_3^2 & u_3^1 v_3^2 & u_3^1 & u_3^2 v_3^1 & v_3^1 v_3^2 & v_3^1 & u_3^2 & v_3^2 & 1 \\ \vdots & & & & & & & & \vdots \\ u_k^1 u_k^2 & u_k^1 v_k^2 & u_k^1 & u_k^2 v_k^1 & v_k^1 v_k^2 & v_k^1 & u_k^2 & v_k^2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{k,9}$$

$$\mathbf{D}\, \mathrm{vec}(\mathbf{F}) = \mathbf{0}$$

▶7-Point Algorithm Continued

$$\mathbf{D}\,\mathrm{vec}(\mathbf{F}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{k,9}$$

- for $k = 7$ we have a rank-deficient system, the null-space of $\mathbf{D}$ is 2-dimensional
- but we know that $\det \mathbf{F} = 0$, hence
  1. find a basis of the null space of $\mathbf{D}$: $\mathbf{F}_1$, $\mathbf{F}_2$ — by SVD or QR factorization
  2. get up to 3 real solutions for α from

     $$\det(\alpha \mathbf{F}_1 + (1-\alpha)\mathbf{F}_2) = 0 \qquad \text{cubic equation in } \alpha$$
  3. get up to 3 fundamental matrices $\mathbf{F} = \alpha_i \mathbf{F}_1 + (1-\alpha_i)\mathbf{F}_2$ — (check $\mathrm{rank}\,\mathbf{F} = 2$)

- the result may depend on image (domain) transformations
- normalization improves conditioning →91
- this gives a good starting point for the full algorithm →109
- dealing with mismatches need not be a part of the 7-point algorithm →110

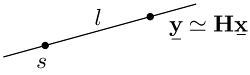
▶Degenerate Configurations for Fundamental Matrix Estimation

When is $\mathbf{F}$ not uniquely determined from any number of correspondences? [H&Z, Sec. 11.9]

1. when images are related by homography
   a) camera centers coincide $\mathbf{t}_{21} = 0$: $\quad \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}_2 \mathbf{R}_{21} \mathbf{K}_1^{-1}$
   b) camera moves but all 3D points lie in a plane $(\mathbf{n}, d)$: $\quad \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}_2 (\mathbf{R}_{21} - \mathbf{t}_{21} \mathbf{n}^\top / d) \mathbf{K}_1^{-1}$

   - in both cases: epipolar geometry is not defined
   - we do get a solution from the 7-point algorithm but it has the form of $\mathbf{F} = [\underline{\mathbf{s}}]_\times \mathbf{H}$

   note that $[\underline{\mathbf{s}}]_\times \mathbf{H} \simeq \mathbf{H}' [\underline{\mathbf{s}}']_\times$ →75



   - given (arbitrary) $\underline{\mathbf{s}}$
   - and correspondence $x \leftrightarrow y$
   - y is the image of x: $\underline{\mathbf{y}} \simeq \mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}}$
   - a necessary condition: $y \in l$, $\quad \underline{\mathbf{l}} \simeq \underline{\mathbf{s}} \times \mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}}$

$$0 = \underline{\mathbf{y}}^\top (\underline{\mathbf{s}} \times \mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}}) = \underline{\mathbf{y}}^\top [\underline{\mathbf{s}}]_\times \mathbf{H}\underline{\mathbf{x}} \quad \text{for any } \underline{\mathbf{x}}, \underline{\mathbf{s}} \text{ (!)}$$

2. both camera centers and all 3D points lie on a ruled quadric

   hyperboloid of one sheet, cones, cylinders, two planes

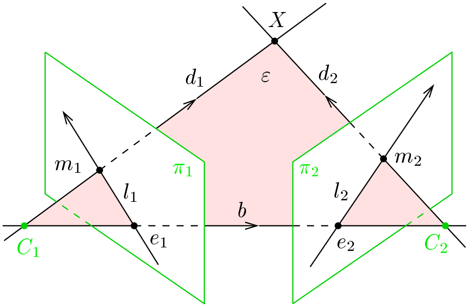
   - there are 3 solutions for $\mathbf{F}$

notes

- estimation of $\mathbf{E}$ can deal with planes: $[\underline{\mathbf{s}}]_\times \mathbf{H}$ is essential matrix iff $\underline{\mathbf{s}} = \lambda \mathbf{t}_{21}$ (see Case 1.b)
- a complete treatment with additional degenerate configurations in [H&Z, sec. 22.2]
- a stronger epipolar constraint could reject some configurations

A Note on Oriented Epipolar Constraint

- a tighter epipolar constraint preserves orientations
- requires all points and cameras be on the same side of the plane at infinity



$$\underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 \times \underline{\mathbf{m}}_2 \overset{+}{\sim} \mathbf{F}\, \underline{\mathbf{m}}_1$$

notation: $\underline{\mathbf{m}} \overset{+}{\sim} \underline{\mathbf{n}}$ means $\underline{\mathbf{m}} = \lambda \underline{\mathbf{n}}$, $\lambda > 0$

- we can read the constraint as $\underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 \times \underline{\mathbf{m}}_2 \overset{+}{\sim} \mathbf{H}_e^{-\top} (\mathbf{e}_1 \times \underline{\mathbf{m}}_1)$
- note that the constraint is not invariant to the change of either sign of $\underline{\mathbf{m}}_i$
- all 7 correspondence in 7-point alg. must have the same sign — see later
- this may help reject some wrong matches, see →110 — [Chum et al. 2004]
- an even more tight constraint: scene points in front of both cameras — expensive

this is called chirality constraint

▶5-Point Algorithm for Relative Camera Orientation

Problem: Given $\{m_i, m'_i\}_{i=1}^5$ corresponding image points and calibration matrix $\mathbf{K}$, recover the camera motion $\mathbf{R}$, $\mathbf{t}$.

Obs:

1. $\mathbf{E}$ – 8 numbers
2. $\mathbf{R}$ – 3DOF, $\mathbf{t}$ – 2DOF only, in total 5 DOF → we need $8 - 5 = 3$ constraints on $\mathbf{E}$
3. $\mathbf{E}$ essential iff it has two equal singular values and the third is zero →80

This gives an equation system:

$$\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i^\top \mathbf{E}\, \underline{\mathbf{v}}'_i = 0 \qquad \text{5 linear constraints } (\underline{\mathbf{v}} \simeq \mathbf{K}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{m}})$$

$$\det \mathbf{E} = 0 \qquad \text{1 cubic constraint}$$

$$\mathbf{E}\mathbf{E}^\top\mathbf{E} - \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{E}\mathbf{E}^\top)\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0} \qquad \text{9 cubic constraints, 2 independent}$$

⊛ P1; 1pt: verify this equation from $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top$, $\mathbf{D} = \lambda\,\mathrm{diag}(1, 1, 0)$

1. estimate $\mathbf{E}$ by SVD from $\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i^\top \mathbf{E}\, \underline{\mathbf{v}}'_i = 0$ by the null-space method — 4D null space
2. this gives $\mathbf{E} = x\mathbf{E}_1 + y\mathbf{E}_2 + z\mathbf{E}_3 + \mathbf{E}_4$
3. at most 10 (complex) solutions for x, y, z from the cubic constraints

- when all 3D points lie on a plane: at most 2 real solutions (twisted-pair) — can be disambiguated in 3 views or by chirality constraint (→82) unless all 3D points are closer to one camera
- 6-point problem for unknown f [Kukelova et al. BMVC 2008]
- resources at `http://cmp.felk.cvut.cz/minimal/5_pt_relative.php`

▶The Triangulation Problem

Problem: Given cameras $\mathbf{P}_1$, $\mathbf{P}_2$ and a correspondence $x \leftrightarrow y$ compute a 3D point $\mathbf{X}$ projecting to x and y

$$\lambda_1\, \underline{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{P}_1 \underline{\mathbf{X}}, \qquad \lambda_2\, \underline{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{P}_2 \underline{\mathbf{X}}, \qquad \underline{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} u^1 \\ v^1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \underline{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} u^2 \\ v^2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{P}_i = \begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{p}_1^i)^\top \\ (\mathbf{p}_2^i)^\top \\ (\mathbf{p}_3^i)^\top \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear triangulation method

$$u^1\,(\mathbf{p}_3^1)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}} = (\mathbf{p}_1^1)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}}, \qquad u^2\,(\mathbf{p}_3^2)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}} = (\mathbf{p}_1^2)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}},$$
$$v^1\,(\mathbf{p}_3^1)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}} = (\mathbf{p}_2^1)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}}, \qquad v^2\,(\mathbf{p}_3^2)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}} = (\mathbf{p}_2^2)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}},$$

Gives

$$\mathbf{D}\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{0}, \qquad \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} u^1\,(\mathbf{p}_3^1)^\top - (\mathbf{p}_1^1)^\top \\ v^1\,(\mathbf{p}_3^1)^\top - (\mathbf{p}_2^1)^\top \\ u^2\,(\mathbf{p}_3^2)^\top - (\mathbf{p}_1^2)^\top \\ v^2\,(\mathbf{p}_3^2)^\top - (\mathbf{p}_2^2)^\top \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{4,4}, \quad \underline{\mathbf{X}} \in \mathbb{R}^4 \tag{14}$$

- back-projected rays will generally not intersect due to image error, see next
- using Jack-knife (→63) not recommended — sensitive to small error
- we will use SVD (→89)
- but the result will not be invariant to projective frame
  replacing $\mathbf{P}_1 \mapsto \mathbf{P}_1\mathbf{H}$, $\mathbf{P}_2 \mapsto \mathbf{P}_2\mathbf{H}$ does not always result in $\underline{\mathbf{X}} \mapsto \mathbf{H}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{X}}$
- note the homogeneous form in (14) can represent points at infinity

▶The Least-Squares Triangulation by SVD

- if $\mathbf{D}$ is full-rank we may minimize the algebraic least-squares error

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^2(\underline{\mathbf{X}}) = \|\mathbf{D}\underline{\mathbf{X}}\|^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|\underline{\mathbf{X}}\| = 1, \qquad \underline{\mathbf{X}} \in \mathbb{R}^4$$

- let $\mathbf{D}_i$ be the i-th row of $\mathbf{D}$, then

$$\|\mathbf{D}\underline{\mathbf{X}}\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{4} (\mathbf{D}_i\,\underline{\mathbf{X}})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{4} \underline{\mathbf{X}}^\top \mathbf{D}_i^\top \mathbf{D}_i\,\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \underline{\mathbf{X}}^\top \mathbf{Q}\,\underline{\mathbf{X}}, \text{ where } \mathbf{Q} = \sum_{i=1}^{4} \mathbf{D}_i^\top \mathbf{D}_i = \mathbf{D}^\top \mathbf{D} \;\in \mathbb{R}^{4,4}$$

- we write the SVD of $\mathbf{Q}$ as $\mathbf{Q} = \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sigma_j^2\, \mathbf{u}_j \mathbf{u}_j^\top$, in which [Golub & van Loan 2013, Sec. 2.5]

$$\sigma_1^2 \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_4^2 \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{u}_l^\top \mathbf{u}_m = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } l \neq m \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- then $\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{q}, \|\mathbf{q}\|=1} \mathbf{q}^\top \mathbf{Q}\,\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{u}_4$

Proof (by contradiction).

Let $\bar{\mathbf{q}} = \sum_{i=1}^{4} a_i \mathbf{u}_i$ s.t. $\sum_{i=1}^{4} a_i^2 = 1$, then $\|\bar{\mathbf{q}}\| = 1$, and

$$\bar{\mathbf{q}}^\top \mathbf{Q}\,\bar{\mathbf{q}} = \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sigma_j^2\, \bar{\mathbf{q}}^\top \mathbf{u}_j\, \mathbf{u}_j^\top \bar{\mathbf{q}} = \sum_{j=1}^{4} \sigma_j^2\, (\mathbf{u}_j^\top \bar{\mathbf{q}})^2 = \cdots = \sum_{j=1}^{4} a_j^2 \sigma_j^2 \;\geq\; \sum_{j=1}^{4} a_j^2 \sigma_4^2 = \sigma_4^2$$

□

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- if $\sigma_4 \ll \sigma_3$, there is a unique solution $\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{u}_4$ with residual error $(\mathbf{D}\,\underline{\mathbf{X}})^2 = \sigma_4^2$
  the quality (conditioning) of the solution may be expressed as $q = \sigma_3/\sigma_4$ (greater is better)

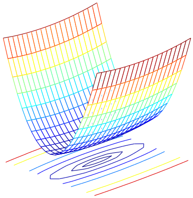
Matlab code for the least-squares solver:

```
[U,O,V] = svd(D);
X = V(:,end);
q = O(3,3)/O(4,4);
```

⊛ P1; 1pt: Why did we decompose $\mathbf{D}$ and not $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{D}^\top\mathbf{D}$?

▶Numerical Conditioning

- The equation $\mathbf{D}\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{0}$ in (14) may be ill-conditioned for numerical computation, which results in a poor estimate for $\underline{\mathbf{X}}$.



Why: on a row of $\mathbf{D}$ there are big entries together with small entries, e.g. of orders   projection centers in mm, image points in px

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10^3 & 0 & 10^3 & 10^6 \\ 0 & 10^3 & 10^3 & 10^6 \\ 10^3 & 0 & 10^3 & 10^6 \\ 0 & 10^3 & 10^3 & 10^6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Quick fix:

1. re-scale the problem by a regular diagonal conditioning matrix $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{R}^{4,4}$

$$\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{D}\,\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{D}\,\mathbf{S}\,\mathbf{S}^{-1}\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \bar{\mathbf{D}}\,\underline{\bar{\mathbf{X}}}$$

   choose $\mathbf{S}$ to make the entries in $\hat{\mathbf{D}}$ all smaller than unity in absolute value:

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathrm{diag}(10^{-3}, 10^{-3}, 10^{-3}, 10^{-6})$$

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S = diag(1./max(abs(D), 1))
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2. solve for $\underline{\bar{\mathbf{X}}}$ as before
3. get the final solution as $\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{S}\,\underline{\bar{\mathbf{X}}}$

- when SVD is used in camera resection, conditioning is essential for success →62

Algebraic Error vs Reprojection Error

- algebraic error (c – camera index, (u^c, v^c) – image coordinates) from SVD →90

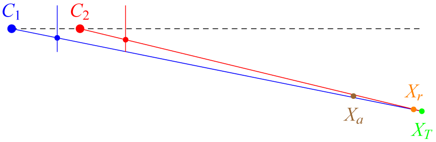
$$\varepsilon^2(\underline{\mathbf{X}}) = \sigma_4^2 = \sum_{c=1}^{2} \left[\left(u^c (\mathbf{p}_3^c)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}} - (\mathbf{p}_1^c)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}} \right)^2 + \left(v^c (\mathbf{p}_3^c)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}} - (\mathbf{p}_2^c)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}} \right)^2 \right]$$

- reprojection error

$$e^2(\underline{\mathbf{X}}) = \sum_{c=1}^{2} \left[\left(u^c - \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^c)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}}}{(\mathbf{p}_3^c)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}}} \right)^2 + \left(v^c - \frac{(\mathbf{p}_2^c)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}}}{(\mathbf{p}_3^c)^\top \underline{\mathbf{X}}} \right)^2 \right]$$

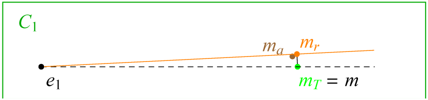
- algebraic error zero ⇔ reprojection error zero $\sigma_4 = 0 \Rightarrow$ non-trivial null space
- epipolar constraint satisfied ⇒ equivalent results
- in general: minimizing algebraic error is cheap but it gives inferior results
- minimizing reprojection error is expensive but it gives good results
- the midpoint of the common perpendicular to both optical rays gives about 50% greater error in 3D
- the golden standard method – deferred to →104

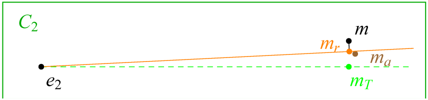
Ex:



- forward camera motion
- error $f/50$ in image 2, orthogonal to epipolar plane

X_T – noiseless ground truth position
X_r – reprojection error minimizer
X_a – algebraic error minimizer
m – measurement (m_T with noise in v^2)





▶We Have Added to The ZOO

continuation from →68

problem	**given**	**unknown**	slide
camera resection	6 world–img correspondences $\{(X_i, m_i)\}_{i=1}^{6}$	$\mathbf{P}$	62
exterior orientation	$\mathbf{K}$, 3 world–img correspondences $\{(X_i, m_i)\}_{i=1}^{3}$	$\mathbf{R}$, $\mathbf{t}$	66
relative orientation	3 world-world correspondences $\{(X_i, Y_i)\}_{i=1}^{3}$	$\mathbf{R}$, $\mathbf{t}$	69
fundamental matrix	7 img–img correspondences $\{(m_i, m_i')\}_{i=1}^{7}$	$\mathbf{F}$	83
relative orientation	$\mathbf{K}$, 5 img–img correspondences $\{(m_i, m_i')\}_{i=1}^{5}$	$\mathbf{R}$, $\mathbf{t}$	87
triangulation	$\mathbf{P}_1$, $\mathbf{P}_2$, 1 img–img correspondence (m_i, m_i')	X	88

A bigger ZOO at http://cmp.felk.cvut.cz/minimal/

calibrated problems

- have fewer degenerate configurations
- can do with fewer points (good for geometry proposal generators →117)

- algebraic error optimization (SVD) makes sense in camera resection and triangulation only
- but it is not the best method; we will now focus on 'optimizing optimally'

Module V

Optimization for 3D Vision

covered by

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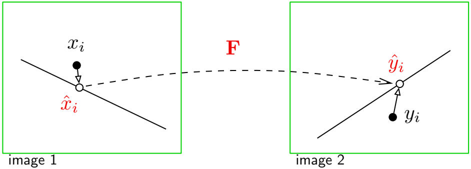
►The Concept of Error for Epipolar Geometry

Problem: Given at least 8 matched points $x_i \leftrightarrow y_j$ in a general position, estimate the most likely (or most probable) fundamental matrix $\mathbf{F}$.

$$\mathbf{x}_i = (u_i^1,\, v_i^1), \quad \mathbf{y}_i = (u_i^2,\, v_i^2), \qquad i = 1, 2, \ldots, k, \quad k \geq 8$$



- detected points (measurements) x_i, y_i
- we introduce matches $\mathbf{Z}_i = (u_i^1, v_i^1, u_i^2, v_i^2) \in \mathbb{R}^4$; $\quad S = \{\mathbf{Z}_i\}_{i=1}^k$
- corrected points $\hat{x}_i$, $\hat{y}_i$; $\quad \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i = (\hat{u}_i^1, \hat{v}_i^1, \hat{u}_i^2, \hat{v}_i^2)$; $\hat{S} = \{\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i\}_{i=1}^k$ are correspondences
- correspondences satisfy the epipolar geometry exactly $\underline{\hat{\mathbf{y}}}_i^\top \mathbf{F}\, \underline{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}_i = 0$, $i = 1, \ldots, k$
- small correction is more probable
- let $\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)$ be the 'reprojection error' (vector) per match i,

$$\mathbf{e}_i(x_i, y_i \mid \hat{x}_i, \hat{y}_i, \mathbf{F}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_i - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i \\ \mathbf{y}_i - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{e}_i(\mathbf{Z}_i \mid \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i, \mathbf{F}) = \mathbf{Z}_i - \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i(\mathbf{F}) \tag{15}$$

$$\|\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)\|^2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{e}_i^2(\cdot) = \|\mathbf{x}_i - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}_i - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i\|^2 = \|\mathbf{Z}_i - \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i(\mathbf{F})\|^2$$

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- the total reprojection error (of all data) then is

$$L(S \mid \hat{S}, \mathbf{F}) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathbf{e}_i^2(x_i, y_i \mid \hat{x}_i, \hat{y}_i, \mathbf{F}) \quad = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathbf{e}_i^2(\mathbf{Z}_i \mid \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i, \mathbf{F})$$

- and the optimization problem is

$$(\hat{S}^*, \mathbf{F}^*) = \arg \min_{\substack{\mathbf{F} \\ \operatorname{rank} \mathbf{F} = 2}} \; \min_{\substack{\hat{S} \\ \underline{\hat{\mathbf{y}}}_i^\top \mathbf{F} \, \underline{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}_i = 0}} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathbf{e}_i^2(x_i, y_i \mid \hat{x}_i, \hat{y}_i, \mathbf{F}) \tag{16}$$

Three possible approaches

- they differ in how the correspondences $\hat{x}_i$, $\hat{y}_i$ are obtained:
  1. direct optimization of reprojection error over all variables $\hat{S}$, $\mathbf{F}$ →97
  2. Sampson optimal correction = partial correction of $\mathbf{Z}_i$ towards $\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i$ used in an iterative minimization over $\mathbf{F}$ →98
  3. removing $\hat{x}_i$, $\hat{y}_i$ altogether = marginalization of $L(S, \hat{S} \mid \mathbf{F})$ over $\hat{S}$ followed by minimization over $\mathbf{F}$ not covered, the marginalization is difficult

Method 1: Geometric Error Optimization

- we need to encode the constraints $\hat{\underline{\mathbf{y}}}_i \, \mathbf{F} \, \hat{\underline{\mathbf{x}}}_i = 0$, $\operatorname{rank} \mathbf{F} = 2$
- idea: reconstruct 3D point via equivalent projection matrices and use reprojection error
- equivalent projection matrices are see [H&Z,Sec. 9.5] for complete characterization

$$\mathbf{P}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} [\underline{\mathbf{e}}_2]_\times \mathbf{F} + \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 \underline{\mathbf{e}}_1^\top & \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 \end{bmatrix} \tag{17}$$

⊛ H3; 2pt: Assuming $\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1$, $\underline{\mathbf{e}}_2$ are epipoles of $\mathbf{F}$, verify that $\mathbf{F}$ is a fundamental matrix of $\mathbf{P}_1$, $\mathbf{P}_2$.
Hint: $\mathbf{A}$ is skew symmetric iff $\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = 0$ for all vectors $\mathbf{x}$.

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1. compute $\mathbf{F}^{(0)}$ by the 7-point algorithm →83; construct camera $\mathbf{P}_2^{(0)}$ from $\mathbf{F}^{(0)}$ using (17)
2. triangulate 3D points $\hat{\mathbf{X}}_i^{(0)}$ from matches (x_i, y_i) for all $i = 1, \ldots, k$ →88
3. starting from $\mathbf{P}_2^{(0)}$, $\hat{\mathbf{X}}^{(0)}$ minimize the reprojection error (15)

$$(\hat{\mathbf{X}}^*, \mathbf{P}_2^*) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{P}_2, \hat{\mathbf{X}}} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathbf{e}_i^2(\mathbf{Z}_i \mid \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i(\hat{\mathbf{X}}_i, \mathbf{P}_2))$$

   where

$$\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i = (\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i, \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i) \ \text{(Cartesian)}, \quad \hat{\underline{\mathbf{x}}}_i \simeq \mathbf{P}_1 \hat{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}_i, \ \ \hat{\underline{\mathbf{y}}}_i \simeq \mathbf{P}_2 \hat{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}_i \ \text{(homogeneous)}$$

   Non-linear, non-convex problem

4. compute $\mathbf{F}$ from $\mathbf{P}_1$, $\mathbf{P}_2^*$

- $3k + 12$ parameters to be found: latent: $\hat{\mathbf{X}}_i$, for all i (correspondences!), non-latent: $\mathbf{P}_2$
- minimal representation: $3k + 7$ parameters, $\mathbf{P}_2 = \mathbf{P}_2(\mathbf{F})$ →145
- there are pitfalls; this is essentially bundle adjustment; we will return to this later →136

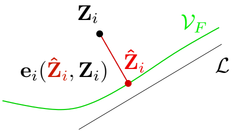
▶Method 2: First-Order Error Approximation

An elegant method for solving problems like (16):

- we will get rid of the latent parameters $\hat{X}$ needed for obtaining the correction

  [H&Z, p. 287], [Sampson 1982]
- we will recycle the algebraic error $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \underline{\mathbf{y}}^\top \mathbf{F}\, \underline{\mathbf{x}}$ from →83

- consider matches $\mathbf{Z}_i$, correspondences $\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i$, and reprojection error $\mathbf{e}_i = \|\mathbf{Z}_i - \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i\|^2$
- correspondences satisfy $\hat{\underline{\mathbf{y}}}_i^\top \mathbf{F}\, \hat{\underline{\mathbf{x}}}_i = 0$, $\quad \hat{\underline{\mathbf{x}}}_i = (\hat{u}^1, \hat{v}^1, 1)$, $\hat{\underline{\mathbf{y}}}_i = (\hat{u}^2, \hat{v}^2, 1)$
- this is a manifold $\mathcal{V}_F \in \mathbb{R}^4$: a set of points $\hat{\mathbf{Z}} = (\hat{u}^1, \hat{v}^1, \hat{u}^2, \hat{v}^2)$ consistent with $\mathbf{F}$
- algebraic error vanishes for $\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i$: $\mathbf{0} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i) = \hat{\underline{\mathbf{y}}}_i^\top \mathbf{F}\, \hat{\underline{\mathbf{x}}}_i$



Sampson's idea: Linearize the algebraic error $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{Z})$ at $\mathbf{Z}_i$ (where it is non-zero) and evaluate the resulting linear function at $\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i$ (where it is zero). The zero-crossing replaces $\mathcal{V}_F$ by a linear manifold $\mathcal{L}$. The point on $\mathcal{V}_F$ closest to $\mathbf{Z}_i$ is replaced by the closest point on $\mathcal{L}$.

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i) \approx \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\mathbf{Z}_i) + \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\mathbf{Z}_i)}{\partial \mathbf{Z}_i}(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i - \mathbf{Z}_i)$$

▶Sampson's Approximation of Reprojection Error

- linearize $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{Z})$ at match $\mathbf{Z}_i$, evaluate it at correspondence $\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i$

$$0 = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i) \approx \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\mathbf{Z}_i) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\mathbf{Z}_i)}{\partial \mathbf{Z}_i}}_{\mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{Z}_i)} \underbrace{(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i - \mathbf{Z}_i)}_{\mathbf{e}_i(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i, \mathbf{Z}_i)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\mathbf{Z}_i) + \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{Z}_i)\,\mathbf{e}_i(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i, \mathbf{Z}_i)$$

- goal: compute function $\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)$ from $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\cdot)$, where $\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)$ is the distance of $\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_i$ from $\mathbf{Z}_i$
- we have a linear underconstrained equation for $\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)$
- we look for a minimal $\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)$ per match i

$$\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)^* = \arg\min_{\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)} \|\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)\|^2 \quad \text{subject to} \quad \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\cdot) + \mathbf{J}_i(\cdot)\,\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot) = 0$$

- which has a closed-form solution note that $\mathbf{J}_i(\cdot)$ is not invertible! ⊛ P1; 1pt: derive $\mathbf{e}_i^*(\cdot)$

$$\mathbf{e}_i^*(\cdot) = -\mathbf{J}_i^\top (\mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{J}_i^\top)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\cdot)$$
$$\|\mathbf{e}_i^*(\cdot)\|^2 = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i^\top(\cdot)(\mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{J}_i^\top)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\cdot) \qquad (18)$$

- this maps $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\cdot)$ to an estimate of $\mathbf{e}_i(\cdot)$ per correspondence
- we often do not need $\mathbf{e}_i$, just $\|\mathbf{e}_i\|^2$ exception: triangulation →104
- the unknown parameters $\mathbf{F}$ are inside: $\mathbf{e}_i = \mathbf{e}_i(\mathbf{F})$, $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i(\mathbf{F})$, $\mathbf{J}_i = \mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{F})$

▶Example: Fitting A Circle To Scattered Points

Problem: Fit a zero-centered circle $\mathcal{C}$ to a set of 2D points $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^{k}$, $\mathcal{C}\colon\ \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 - r^2 = 0$.

1. consider radial error as the 'algebraic error' $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 - r^2$ 'arbitrary' choice
2. linearize it at $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ we are dropping i in $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i$, $\mathbf{e}_i$ etc for clarity

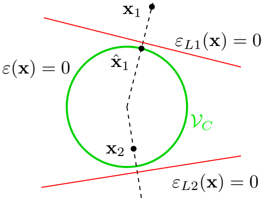
$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \approx \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}}}_{\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x})=2\mathbf{x}^\top} \underbrace{(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{x})}_{\mathbf{e}(\hat{\mathbf{x}},\mathbf{x})} = \cdots = 2\,\mathbf{x}^\top\hat{\mathbf{x}} - (r^2 + \|\mathbf{x}\|^2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_L(\hat{\mathbf{x}})$$

$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_L(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) = 0$ is a line with normal $\frac{\mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|}$ and intercept $\frac{r^2+\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}{2\|\mathbf{x}\|}$ not tangent to $\mathcal{C}$, outside!

3. using (18), express error approximation $\mathbf{e}^*$ as

$$\|\mathbf{e}^*\|^2 = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^\top(\mathbf{J}\mathbf{J}^\top)^{-1}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \frac{(\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 - r^2)^2}{4\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}$$

4. fit circle



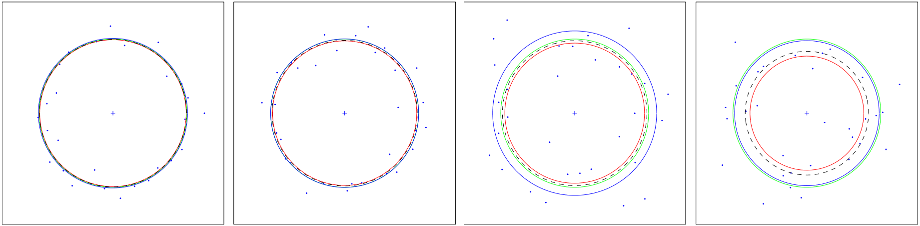
$$r^* = \arg\min_r \sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{(\|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2 - r^2)^2}{4\|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2} = \cdots = \left(\frac{1}{k}\sum_{i=1}^{k}\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

- this example results in a convex quadratic optimization problem
- note that

$$\arg\min_r \sum_{i=1}^{k}(\|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2 - r^2)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{k}\sum_{i=1}^{k}\|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Circle Fitting: Some Results

medium radial noise | medium isotropic noise | big radial noise | big isotropic noise



opt: 1.8, Smp: 1.9, dir: 2.3 | 1.8, 2.0, 2.2 | 1.6, 1.8, 2.6 | 1.6, 2.0, 2.4

mean ranks over 10 000 random trials with $k = 32$ samples

green – ground truth
red – Sampson error minimizer
blue – direct radial error minimizer
black – optimal estimator for isotropic error

optimal estimator for isotropic error (black, dashed):

$$r \approx \frac{3}{4k} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \|\mathbf{x}_i\| + \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{4k} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \|\mathbf{x}_i\|\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2k} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2}$$

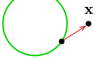
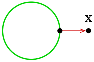
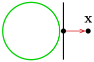
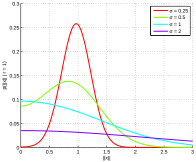
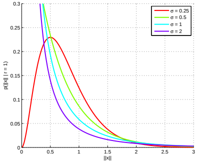
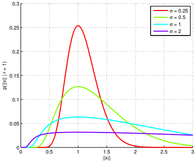
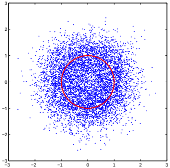
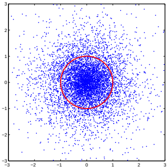
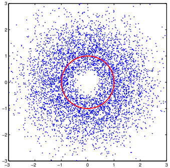
which method is better?

- error should model noise, radial noise and isotropic noise behave differently
- ground truth: Normally distributed isotropic error, Gamma-distributed radial error
- Sampson: better for the radial distribution model; Direct: better for the isotropic model
- no matter how corrected, the algebraic error minimizer is not an unbiased parameter estimator

Cramér-Rao bound tells us how close one can get with unbiased estimator and given k

Discussion: On The Art of Probabilistic Model Design...

- a few models for fitting zero-centered circle C of radius r to points in $\mathbb{R}^2$

	marginalized over C	orthogonal deviation from C	Sampson approximation
error model	 $N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$	 $\Gamma(\cdot,\cdot)$	 $N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$
radial p.d.f.			
random sample			
$p(\mathbf{x} \mid r)$	$\approx \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{(2\pi)^3 r\,\|\mathbf{x}\|}}\, e^{-\frac{(\|\mathbf{x}\|-r)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi\Gamma(\frac{r^2}{\sigma})}\,\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}\left(\frac{r\|\mathbf{x}\|}{\sigma}\right)^{\frac{r^2}{\sigma}} e^{-\frac{r\|\mathbf{x}\|}{\sigma}}$	$\frac{1}{r\sigma\sqrt{(2\pi)^3}}\, e^{-\frac{e^2(\mathbf{x};r)}{2\sigma^2}}$
	• mode inside the circle • models the inside well • tends to normal distrib.	• peak at the center • unusable for small radii • tends to Dirac distrib.	• mode at the circle • hole at the center • tends to normal distrib.

▶Sampson Error for Fundamental Matrix Manifold

The epipolar algebraic error is

$$\varepsilon_i(\mathbf{F}) = \underline{\mathbf{y}}_i^\top \mathbf{F}\, \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i, \quad \mathbf{x}_i = (u_i^1,\, v_i^1), \quad \mathbf{y}_i = (u_i^2,\, v_i^2), \qquad \varepsilon_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

Let $\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}_1 & \mathbf{F}_2 & \mathbf{F}_3 \end{bmatrix}$ (per columns) $= \begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{F}^1)^\top \\ (\mathbf{F}^2)^\top \\ (\mathbf{F}^3)^\top \end{bmatrix}$ (per rows), $\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, then

Sampson

$$\mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{F}) = \left[\frac{\partial \varepsilon_i(\mathbf{F})}{\partial u_i^1}, \frac{\partial \varepsilon_i(\mathbf{F})}{\partial v_i^1}, \frac{\partial \varepsilon_i(\mathbf{F})}{\partial u_i^2}, \frac{\partial \varepsilon_i(\mathbf{F})}{\partial v_i^2} \right] \qquad \mathbf{J}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{1,4}$$

derivatives over point coords.

$$= \left[(\mathbf{F}_1)^\top \underline{\mathbf{y}}_i,\ (\mathbf{F}_2)^\top \underline{\mathbf{y}}_i,\ (\mathbf{F}^1)^\top \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i,\ (\mathbf{F}^2)^\top \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i \right]$$

$$\mathbf{e}_i(\mathbf{F}) = -\frac{\mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{F})\, \varepsilon_i(\mathbf{F})}{\|\mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{F})\|^2} \qquad \mathbf{e}_i(\mathbf{F}) \in \mathbb{R}^4$$

Sampson error vector

$$e_i(\mathbf{F}) = \|\mathbf{e}_i(\mathbf{F})\| = \frac{\varepsilon_i(\mathbf{F})}{\|\mathbf{J}_i(\mathbf{F})\|} = \frac{\underline{\mathbf{y}}_i^\top \mathbf{F} \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i}{\sqrt{\|\mathbf{S}\mathbf{F}\underline{\mathbf{x}}_i\|^2 + \|\mathbf{S}\mathbf{F}^\top \underline{\mathbf{y}}_i\|^2}} \qquad e_i(\mathbf{F}) \in \mathbb{R}$$

scalar Sampson error

- Sampson error 'normalizes' the algebraic error
- automatically copes with multiplicative factors $\mathbf{F} \mapsto \lambda \mathbf{F}$
- actual optimization not yet covered →108

▶Back to Triangulation: The Golden Standard Method

Given $\mathbf{P}_1$, $\mathbf{P}_2$ and a correspondence $x \leftrightarrow y$, look for 3D point $\mathbf{X}$ projecting to x and y. →88

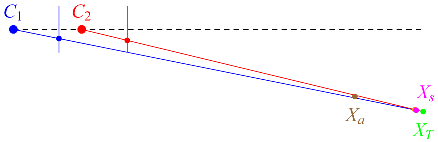
Idea:

1. if not given, compute $\mathbf{F}$ from $\mathbf{P}_1$, $\mathbf{P}_2$, e.g. $\mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{Q}_1\mathbf{Q}_2^{-1})^\top[\mathbf{q}_1 - (\mathbf{Q}_1\mathbf{Q}_2^{-1})\mathbf{q}_2]_\times$
2. correct measurement by the linear estimate of the correction vector →99

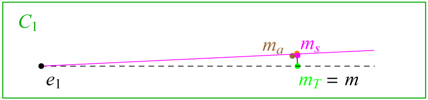
$$\begin{bmatrix}\hat{u}^1\\ \hat{v}^1\\ \hat{u}^2\\ \hat{v}^2\end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix}u^1\\ v^1\\ u^2\\ v^2\end{bmatrix} - \frac{\varepsilon}{\|\mathbf{J}\|^2}\,\mathbf{J}^\top = \begin{bmatrix}u^1\\ v^1\\ u^2\\ v^2\end{bmatrix} - \frac{\underline{\mathbf{y}}^\top\mathbf{F}\underline{\mathbf{x}}}{\|\mathbf{S}\mathbf{F}\underline{\mathbf{x}}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{S}\mathbf{F}^\top\underline{\mathbf{y}}\|^2}\begin{bmatrix}(\mathbf{F}_1)^\top\mathbf{y}\\ (\mathbf{F}_2)^\top\mathbf{y}\\ (\mathbf{F}^1)^\top\mathbf{x}\\ (\mathbf{F}^2)^\top\mathbf{x}\end{bmatrix}$$

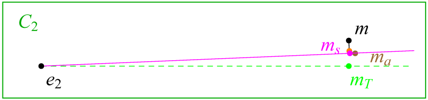
3. use the SVD triangulation algorithm with numerical conditioning →89; iteration possible

Ex (cont'd from →92):



- X_T – noiseless ground truth position
- ● – reprojection error minimizer
- X_s – Sampson-corrected algebraic error minimizer
- X_a – algebraic error minimizer
- m – measurement (m_T with noise in v^2)





▶Back to Fundamental Matrix Estimation

Goal: Given a set $X = \{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^{k}$ of $k \gg 7$ inlier correspondences, compute a statistically efficient estimate for fundamental matrix $\mathbf{F}$.

What we have so far

- 7-point algorithm for $\mathbf{F}$ (5-point algorithm for $\mathbf{E}$) →83
- definition of Sampson error per correspondence $e_i(\mathbf{F} \mid x_i, y_i)$ →103

What we need

- an optimization algorithm for

$$\mathbf{F}^* = \arg\min_{\mathbf{F}} \sum_{i=1}^{k} e_i^2(\mathbf{F} \mid X)$$

- the 7-point estimate is a good starting point $\mathbf{F}_0$

Levenberg-Marquardt (LM) Iterative Estimation in a Nutshell

Consider error function $\mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \mathbb{R}^m$, with $\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i$ given, $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^q$ unknown

$\theta = \mathbf{F}$, $q = 9$, $m = 1$ for f.m. estimation

Our goal: $\boldsymbol{\theta}^* = \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \|\mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})\|^2$

Idea 1 (Gauss-Newton approximation): proceed iteratively for $s = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^{s+1} := \boldsymbol{\theta}^s + \mathbf{d}_s, \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{d}_s = \arg\min_{\mathbf{d}} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \|\mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^s + \mathbf{d})\|^2 \tag{19}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^s + \mathbf{d}) \approx \mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^s) + \mathbf{L}_i\, \mathbf{d},$$

$$(\mathbf{L}_i)_{jl} = \frac{\partial\big(\mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})\big)_j}{\partial(\boldsymbol{\theta})_l}, \qquad \mathbf{L}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m,q} \qquad \text{typically a long matrix}$$

Then the solution to Problem (19) is a set of normal eqs

$$-\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathbf{L}_i^\top \mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^s)}_{\mathbf{e} \in \mathbb{R}^{q,1}} = \underbrace{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathbf{L}_i^\top \mathbf{L}_i\right)}_{\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{q,q}} \mathbf{d}_s, \tag{20}$$

- $\mathbf{d}_s$ can be solved for by Gaussian elimination using Choleski decomposition of $\mathbf{L}$
  $\mathbf{L}$ symmetric $\Rightarrow$ use Choleski, almost $2\times$ faster than Gauss-Seidel, see bundle adjustment →139
- such updates do not lead to stable convergence $\longrightarrow$ ideas of Levenberg and Marquardt

LM (cont'd)

Idea 2 (Levenberg): replace $\sum_i \mathbf{L}_i^\top \mathbf{L}_i$ with $\sum_i \mathbf{L}_i^\top \mathbf{L}_i + \lambda \mathbf{I}$ for some damping factor $\lambda \geq 0$

Idea 3 (Marquardt): replace $\lambda \mathbf{I}$ with $\lambda \sum_i \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{L}_i^\top \mathbf{L}_i)$ to adapt to local curvature:

$$-\sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathbf{L}_i^\top \mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^s) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} \left(\mathbf{L}_i^\top \mathbf{L}_i + \lambda \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{L}_i^\top \mathbf{L}_i) \right) \right) \mathbf{d}_s$$

Idea 4 (Marquardt): adaptive λ small $\lambda \to$ Gauss-Newton, large $\lambda \to$ gradient descend

1. choose $\lambda \approx 10^{-3}$ and compute $\mathbf{d}_s$
2. if $\sum_i \|\mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^s + \mathbf{d}_s)\|^2 < \sum_i \|\mathbf{e}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^s)\|^2$ then accept $\mathbf{d}_s$ and set $\lambda := \lambda/10$, $s := s + 1$
3. otherwise set $\lambda := 10\lambda$ and recompute $\mathbf{d}_s$

- sometimes different constants are needed for the 10 and 10^{-3}
- note that $\mathbf{L}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m,q}$ (long matrix) but each contribution $\mathbf{L}_i^\top \mathbf{L}_i$ is a square singular $q \times q$ matrix (always singular for $k < q$)
- error can be made robust to outliers, see the trick →111
- we have approximated the least squares Hessian by ignoring second derivatives of the error function (Gauss-Newton approximation) See [Triggs et al. 1999, Sec. 4.3]
- λ helps avoid the consequences of gauge freedom →141
- modern variants of LM are Trust Region methods

LM with Sampson Error for Fundamental Matrix Estimation

Sampson (derived by linearization over point coordinates u^1, v^1, u^2, v^2)

$$e_i(\mathbf{F}) = \frac{\varepsilon_i}{\|\mathbf{J}_i\|} = \frac{\underline{\mathbf{y}}_i^\top \mathbf{F} \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i}{\sqrt{\|\mathbf{S}\mathbf{F}\underline{\mathbf{x}}_i\|^2 + \|\mathbf{S}\mathbf{F}^\top \underline{\mathbf{y}}_i\|^2}} \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

LM (by linearization over parameters $\mathbf{F}$)

$$\mathbf{L}_i = \frac{\partial e_i(\mathbf{F})}{\partial \mathbf{F}} = \cdots = \frac{1}{2\|\mathbf{J}_i\|} \left[\left(\underline{\mathbf{y}}_i - \frac{2e_i}{\|\mathbf{J}_i\|} \mathbf{S}\mathbf{F}\underline{\mathbf{x}}_i \right) \underline{\mathbf{x}}_i^\top + \underline{\mathbf{y}}_i \left(\underline{\mathbf{x}}_i - \frac{2e_i}{\|\mathbf{J}_i\|} \mathbf{S}\mathbf{F}^\top \underline{\mathbf{y}}_i \right)^\top \right] \quad (21)$$

- $\mathbf{L}_i$ in (21) is a 3×3 matrix, must be reshaped to dimension-9 vector $\mathrm{vec}(\mathbf{L}_i)$ to be used in LM
- $\underline{\mathbf{x}}_i$ and $\underline{\mathbf{y}}_i$ in Sampson error are normalized to unit homogeneous coordinate (21) relies on this
- reinforce $\mathrm{rank}\,\mathbf{F} = 2$ after each LM update to stay in the fundamental matrix manifold and $\|\mathbf{F}\| = 1$ to avoid gauge freedom by SVD →109
- LM linearization could be done by numerical differentiation (small dimension)

▶Local Optimization for Fundamental Matrix Estimation

Given a set $X = \{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^{k}$ of $k \gg 7$ inlier correspondences, compute a statistically efficient estimate for fundamental matrix $\mathbf{F}$.

Summary so far

1. Find the conditioned (→91) 7-point $\mathbf{F}_0$ (→83) from a suitable 7-tuple
2. Improve the $\mathbf{F}_0^*$ using the LM optimization (→106–107) and the Sampson error (→108) on all inliers, reinforce rank-2, unit-norm $\mathbf{F}_k^*$ after each LM iteration using SVD

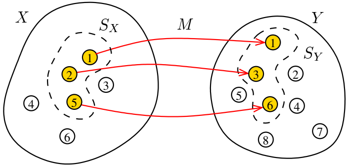
We are not yet done

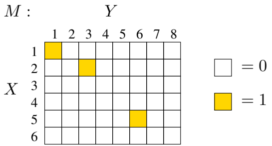
- if there are no wrong correspondences (mismatches, outliers), this gives a local optimum given the 7-point initial estimate
- the algorithm breaks under contamination of (inlier) correspondences by outliers
- the full problem involves finding the inliers!
- in addition, we need a mechanism for jumping out of local minima (and exploring the space of all fundamental matrices)

▸The Full Problem of Matching and Fundamental Matrix Estimation

Problem: Given image point sets $X = \{x_i\}_{i=1}^m$ and $Y = \{y_j\}_{j=1}^n$ and their descriptors D, find the most probable

1. inliers $S_X \subseteq X$, $S_Y \subseteq Y$
2. one-to-one perfect matching $M : S_X \to S_Y$ — perfect matching: 1-factor of the bipartite graph
3. fundamental matrix $\mathbf{F}$ such that $\operatorname{rank} \mathbf{F} = 2$
4. such that for each $x_i \in S_X$ and $y_j = M(x_i)$ it is probable that
   a) the image descriptor $D(x_i)$ is similar to $D(y_j)$, and
   b) the total geometric error $E = \sum_{ij} e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{F})$ is small — note a slight change in notation: e_{ij}
5. inlier-outlier and outlier-outlier matches are improbable





$$(M^*, \mathbf{F}^*) = \arg\max_{M,\mathbf{F}} p(E, D, \mathbf{F} \mid M)\, P(M) \tag{22}$$

- probabilistic model: an efficient language for problem formulation — it also unifies 4.a and 4.b
- the (22) is a Bayesian probabilistic model — there is a constant number of random variables!
- binary matching table $M_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$ of fixed size $m \times n$
  - each row/column contains at most one unity
  - zero rows/columns correspond to unmatched point x_i/y_j

Deriving A Robust Matching Model by Approximate Marginalization

For algorithmic efficiency, instead of $(M^*, \mathbf{F}^*) = \arg\max_{M,\mathbf{F}} p(E, D, \mathbf{F} \mid M)\, P(M)$ solve

$$\mathbf{F}^* = \arg\max_{\mathbf{F}} p(E, D, \mathbf{F}) \tag{23}$$

by marginalization of $p(E, D, \mathbf{F} \mid M)\, P(M)$ over M — this changes the problem!

ignoring that M are 1:1 matchings and assuming correspondence-wise independence:

$$p(E, D, \mathbf{F} \mid M) P(M) = \prod_{i=1}^{m} \prod_{j=1}^{n} p_e(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F} \mid m_{ij}) P(m_{ij})$$

- e_{ij} represents geometric error for match $x_i \leftrightarrow y_i$: $e_{ij}(x_i, y_i, \mathbf{F})$
- d_{ij} represents descriptor similarity for match $x_i \leftrightarrow y_i$: $d_{ij} = \|\mathbf{d}(x_i) - \mathbf{d}(y_j)\|$

Marginalization: — ignore that M is a matching and take all 2^{mn} terms

$$p(E, D, \mathbf{F}) \approx \sum_{m_{11} \in \{0,1\}} \sum_{m_{12}} \cdots \sum_{m_{mn}} p(E, D, \mathbf{F} \mid M) P(M) =$$

$$= \sum_{m_{11}} \cdots \sum_{m_{mn}} \prod_{i=1}^{m} \prod_{j=1}^{n} p_e(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F} \mid m_{ij}) P(m_{ij}) \overset{\circledast 1}{=} \cdots =$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{m} \prod_{j=1}^{n} \underbrace{\sum_{m_{ij} \in \{0,1\}} p_e(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F} \mid m_{ij}) P(m_{ij})}_{\text{we will continue with this term}}$$

Robust Matching Model (cont'd)

$$\sum_{m_{ij} \in \{0,1\}} p_e(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F} \mid m_{ij}) P(m_{ij}) =$$

$$= \underbrace{p_e(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F} \mid m_{ij} = 1)}_{p_1(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F})} \underbrace{P(m_{ij} = 1)}_{1-P_0} + \underbrace{p_e(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F} \mid m_{ij} = 0)}_{p_0(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F})} \underbrace{P(m_{ij} = 0)}_{P_0} =$$

$$= (1 - P_0)\, p_1(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F}) + P_0\, p_0(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F}) \quad (24)$$

- the $p_0(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F})$ is a penalty for 'missing a correspondence' but it should be a p.d.f. (cannot be a constant) (→113 for a simplification)

$$\text{choose} \quad P_0 \to 1, \quad p_0(\cdot) \to 0 \quad \text{so that} \quad \frac{P_0}{1 - P_0}\, p_0(\cdot) \approx \text{const}$$

- the $p_1(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F})$ is typically an easy-to-design term: assuming independence of geometric error and descriptor similarity:

$$p_1(e_{ij}, d_{ij}, \mathbf{F}) = p_1(e_{ij} \mid \mathbf{F})\, p_F(\mathbf{F})\, p_1(d_{ij})$$

- we choose, eg.

$$p_1(e_{ij} \mid \mathbf{F}) = \frac{1}{T_e(\sigma_1)}\, e^{-\frac{e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{F})}{2\sigma_1^2}}, \quad p_1(d_{ij}) = \frac{1}{T_d(\sigma_d, \dim \mathbf{d})}\, e^{-\frac{\|\mathbf{d}(x_i) - \mathbf{d}(y_j)\|^2}{2\sigma_d^2}} \quad (25)$$

- $\mathbf{F}$ is a random variable and σ_1, σ_d, P_0 are parameters
- the form of $T(\sigma_1)$ depends on error definition, it may depend on x_i, y_j but not on $\mathbf{F}$
- we will continue with the result from (24)

▶Simplified Robust Energy (Error) Function

- assuming the choice of p_1 as in (25), we are simplifying

$$p(E,D,\mathbf{F}) = p(E,D \mid \mathbf{F})\, p_F(\mathbf{F}) =$$
$$= p_F(\mathbf{F}) \prod_{i=1}^{m} \prod_{j=1}^{n} \Big[(1-P_0)\, p_1(e_{ij}, d_{ij} \mid \mathbf{F}) + P_0\, p_0(e_{ij}, d_{ij} \mid \mathbf{F})\Big]$$

- we choose $\sigma_0 \gg \sigma_1$ and omit d_{ij} for simplicity; then the square-bracket term is

$$\frac{1-P_0}{T_e(\sigma_1)}\, e^{-\frac{e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{F})}{2\sigma_1^2}} + \frac{P_0}{T_e(\sigma_0)}\, e^{-\frac{e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{F})}{2\sigma_0^2}}$$

- we define the 'potential function' as: $V(x) = -\log p(x)$, then

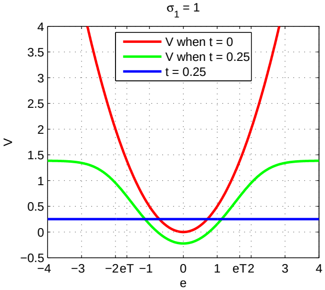
$$V(E,D \mid \mathbf{F}) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \Bigg[\underbrace{-\log \frac{1-P_0}{T_e(\sigma_1)}}_{\Delta\,=\,\text{const}} - \log\Big(e^{-\frac{e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{F})}{2\sigma_1^2}} + \underbrace{\frac{P_0}{1-P_0}\,\frac{T_e(\sigma_1)}{T_e(\sigma_0)}\, e^{-\frac{e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{F})}{2\sigma_0^2}}}_{t\,\approx\,\text{const}}\Big)\Bigg] =$$

$$= m\,n\,\Delta + \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \underbrace{-\log\Big(e^{-\frac{e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{F})}{2\sigma_1^2}} + t\Big)}_{\hat{V}(e_{ij})} \qquad (26)$$

- note we are summing over all $m\,n$ matches (m, n are constant!)

▶The Action of the Robust Matching Model on Data

Example for $\hat{V}(e)$ from (26):



red – the usual (non-robust) error when $t = 0$

blue – the rejected correspondence penalty t

green – 'robust energy' (26)

- if the error of a correspondence exceeds a limit, it is ignored
- then $\hat{V}(e) = \text{const}$ and we essentially count outliers in (26)
- t controls the 'turn-off' point
- the inlier/outlier threshold is e_T – the error for which $(1 - P_0)\, p_1(e_T) = P_0\, p_0(e_T)$: note that $t \approx 0$

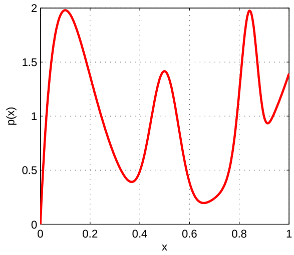
$$e_T = \sigma_1 \sqrt{-\log t^2} \qquad (27)$$

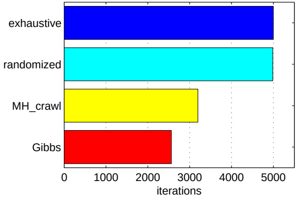
The full optimization problem (23) uses (26):

$$\mathbf{F}^* = \arg\max_{\mathbf{F}} \frac{\overbrace{p(E, D \mid \mathbf{F})}^{\text{data model}} \cdot \overbrace{p(\mathbf{F})}^{\text{prior}}}{\underbrace{p(E, D)}_{\text{evidence}}} \approx \arg\min_{\mathbf{F}} \left[V(\mathbf{F}) + \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \log\left(e^{-\frac{e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{F})}{2\sigma_1^2}} + t \right) \right]$$

- typically we take $V(\mathbf{F}) = -\log p(\mathbf{F}) = 0$ unless we need to stabilize a computation, e.g. when video camera moves smoothly (on a high-mass vehicle) and we have a prediction for $\mathbf{F}$
- evidence is not needed unless we want to compare different models (eg. homography vs. epipolar geometry)

How To Find the Global Maxima (Modes) of a PDF?





- averaged over 10^4 trials
- number of proposals before $|x - x_{\text{true}}| \le \text{step}$

- given the function $p(x)$ at left

p.d.f. on $[0, 1]$, mode at 0.1

consider several methods:

1. exhaustive search

```
step = 1/(iterations-1);
for x = 0:step:1
 if p(x) > bestp
  bestx = x; bestp = p(x);
 end
end
```

- slow algorithm (definite quantization)
- fast to implement

2. randomized search with uniform sampling

```
while t < iterations
 x = rand(1);
 if p(x) > bestp
  bestx = x; bestp = p(x);
 end
 t = t+1;  % time
end
```

- equally slow algorithm
- fast to implement

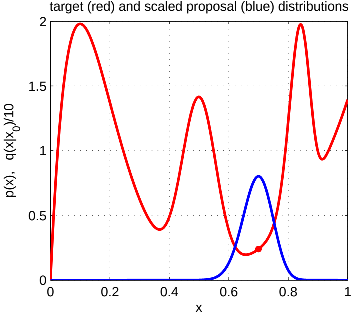
3. random sampling from $p(x)$ (Gibbs sampler)

   • faster algorithm • fast to implement but often infeasible (e.g. when $p(x)$ is data dependent (our case in correspondence prob.))

4. Metropolis-Hastings sampling

   • almost as fast (with care) • not so fast to implement
   • rarely infeasible • RANSAC belongs here

How To Generate Random Samples from a Complex Distribution?



- red: probability density function $\pi(x)$ of the toy distribution on the unit interval — target distribution

$$\pi(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{4} \gamma_i \, \mathrm{Be}(x; \alpha_i, \beta_i), \quad \sum_{i=1}^{4} \gamma_i = 1, \; \gamma_i \geq 0$$

$$\mathrm{Be}(x; \alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{\mathrm{B}(\alpha, \beta)} \cdot x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1}$$

- alg. for generating samples from $\mathrm{Be}(x; \alpha, \beta)$ is known
- $\Rightarrow$ we can generate samples from $\pi(x)$ — how?

- suppose we cannot sample from $\pi(x)$ but we can sample from some 'simple' distribution $q(x \mid x_0)$, given the last sample x_0 (blue) — proposal distribution

$$q(x \mid x_0) = \begin{cases} \mathrm{U}_{0,1}(x) & \text{(independent) uniform sampling} \\ \mathrm{Be}(x; \frac{x_0}{T} + 1, \frac{1-x_0}{T} + 1) & \text{'beta' diffusion (crawler)} \quad T \text{ – temperature} \\ \pi(x) & \text{(independent) Gibbs sampler} \end{cases}$$

- note we have unified all the random sampling methods from the previous slide
- how to redistribute proposal samples $q(x \mid x_0)$ to target distribution $\pi(x)$ samples?

▶Metropolis-Hastings (MH) Sampling

C – configuration (of all variable values) eg. $C = x$ and $\pi(C) = \pi(x)$ from →116

Goal: Generate a sequence of random samples $\{C_t\}$ from target distribution $\pi(C)$

- setup a Markov chain with a suitable transition probability to generate the sequence

Sampling procedure

1. given C_t, draw a random sample S from $q(S \mid C_t)$

   q may use some information from C_t (Hastings)
2. compute acceptance probability — the evidence term drops out

$$a = \min\left\{1,\ \frac{\pi(S)}{\pi(C_t)} \cdot \frac{q(C_t \mid S)}{q(S \mid C_t)}\right\}$$

3. draw a random number u from unit-interval uniform distribution $\mathrm{U}_{0,1}$
4. if $u \leq a$ then $C_{t+1} := S$ else $C_{t+1} := C_t$

'Programming' an MH sampler

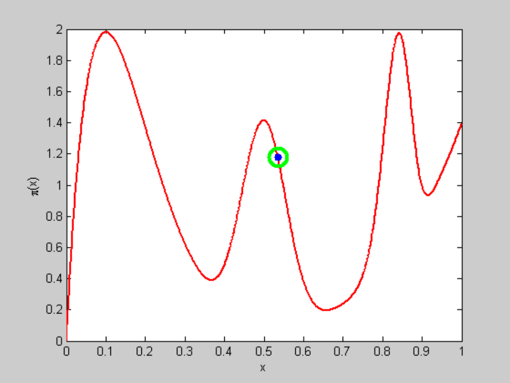
1. design a proposal distribution (mixture) q and a sampler from q
2. write functions $q(C_t \mid S)$ and $q(S \mid C_t)$ that are proper distributions — not always simple

Finding the mode

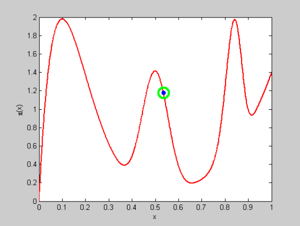
- remember the best sample — fast implementation but must wait long to hit the mode
- use simulated annealing — very slow
- start local optimization from the best sample — good trade-off between speed and accuracy

an optimal algorithm does not use just the best sample: a Stochastic EM Algorithm (e.g. SAEM)

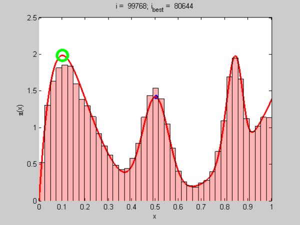
MH Sampling Demo



sampling process (video, 7:33, 100k samples)



initial sample



final distribution
of visited states

- blue point: current sample
- green circle: best sample so far   quality $= \pi(x)$
- histogram: current distribution of visited states
- the vicinity of modes are the most often visited states

Demo Source Code (Matlab)

```
function x = proposal_gen(x0)
% proposal generator q(x | x0)

 T = 0.01; % temperature
 x = betarnd(x0/T+1,(1-x0)/T+1);
end


function p = proposal_q(x, x0)
% proposal distribution q(x | x0)

 T = 0.01;
 p = betapdf(x, x0/T+1, (1-x0)/T+1);
end


function p = target_p(x)
% target distribution p(x)

 % shape parameters:
 a = [2   40   100 6];
 b = [10  40   20   1];

 % mixing coefficients:
 w = [1 0.4 0.253 0.50]; w = w/sum(w);
 p = 0;
 for i = 1:length(a)
  p = p + w(i)*betapdf(x,a(i),b(i));
 end
end
```

```
%% DEMO script

k = 10000;    % number of samples
X = NaN(1,k); % list of samples

x0 = proposal_gen(0.5);
for i = 1:k
 x1 = proposal_gen(x0);
 a = target_p(x1)/target_p(x0) * ...
     proposal_q(x0,x1)/proposal_q(x1,x0);
 if rand(1) < a
  X(i) = x1;  x0 = x1;
 else
  X(i) = x0;
 end
end

figure(1)
x = 0:0.001:1;
plot(x, target_p(x), 'r', 'linewidth',2);
hold on
binw = 0.025; % histogram bin width
n = histc(X, 0:binw:1);
h = bar(0:binw:1, n/sum(n)/binw, 'histc');
set(h, 'facecolor', 'r', 'facealpha', 0.3)
xlim([0 1]); ylim([0 2.5])
xlabel 'x'
ylabel 'p(x)'
title 'MH demo'
hold off
```

▶Stripping MH Down

- when we are interested in the best sample only… and we need fast data exploration…

Simplified sampling procedure

1. ~~given C_t,~~ draw a random sample S from ~~$q(S \mid C_t)$~~ $q(S)$ — independent sampling; no use of information from C_t
2. ~~compute acceptance probability~~

$$a = \min\left\{1,\ \frac{\pi(S)}{\pi(C_t)} \cdot \frac{q(C_t \mid S)}{q(S \mid C_t)}\right\}$$

3. ~~draw a random number u from unit-interval uniform distribution $\mathrm{U}_{0,1}$~~
4. ~~if $u \leq a$ then $C_{t+1} := S$ else $C_{t+1} := C_t$~~
5. if $\pi(S) > \pi(C_{\text{best}})$ then remember $C_{\text{best}} := S$

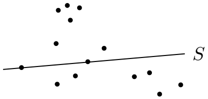
Steps 2–4 make no difference when waiting for the best sample

- …but getting a good accuracy sample might take very long this way
- good overall exploration but slow convergence in the vicinity of a mode where C_t could serve as an attractor
- cannot use the past generated samples to estimate any parameters
- we will fix these problems by (possibly robust) 'local optimization'

▶Putting Some Clothes Back: RANSAC [Fischler & Bolles 1981]

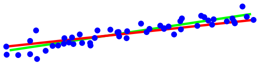
1. primitives = elementary measurements
   - points in line fitting
   - matches in epipolar geometry estimation

2. configuration = s-tuple of primitives   minimal subsets necessary for parameter estimate



the minimization will be over a discrete set:
- of point pairs in line fitting (left)
- of match 7-tuples in epipolar geometry estimation

3. proposal distribution $q(\cdot)$ is then given by the empirical distribution of s-tuples:
   a) propose s-tuple from data independently $q(S \mid C_t) = q(S)$
      i) q uniform $q(S) = \binom{mn}{s}^{-1}$ MAPSAC ($p(S)$ includes the prior)
      ii) q dependent on descriptor similarity   PROSAC (similar pairs are proposed more often)
   b) solve the minimal geometric problem $\mapsto$ parameter proposal



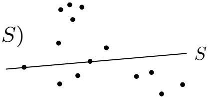
- pairs of points define line distribution from $p(\mathbf{n} \mid X)$ (left)
- random correspondence tuples drawn uniformly propose samples of $\mathbf{F}$ from a data-driven distribution $q(\mathbf{F} \mid M)$

4. local optimization from promising proposals

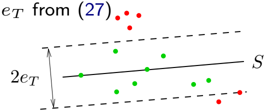
5. stopping based on the probability of mode-hitting →123

▶RANSAC with Local Optimization and Early Stopping

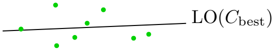
1. initialize the best sample as empty $C_{\text{best}} := \emptyset$ and time $t := 0$
2. estimate the number of needed proposals as $N := \binom{n}{s}$ n – No. of primitives, s – minimal sample size
3. while $t \leq N$:
   a) propose a minimal random sample S of size s from $q(S)$



   b) if $\pi(S) > \pi(C_{\text{best}})$ then
      i) update the best sample $C_{\text{best}} := S$ $\pi(S)$ marginalized as in (26); $\pi(S)$ includes a prior ⇒ MAP
      ii) threshold-out inliers using e_T from (27)



      iii) start local optimization from the inliers of C_{best} LM optimization with robustified (→113) Sampson error possibly weighted by posterior $\pi(m_{ij})$ [Chum et al. 2003]



      iv) update C_{best}, update inliers using (27), re-estimate N from inlier counts →123 for derivation

$$N = \frac{\log(1-P)}{\log(1-\varepsilon^s)}, \quad \varepsilon = \frac{|\,\text{inliers}(C_{\text{best}})|}{m\,n},$$

   c) $t := t + 1$
4. output C_{best}

- see MPV course for RANSAC details see also [Fischler & Bolles 1981], [25 years of RANSAC]

▶Stopping RANSAC

Principle: what is the number of proposals N that are needed to hit an all-inlier sample?

this will tell us nothing about the accuracy of the result

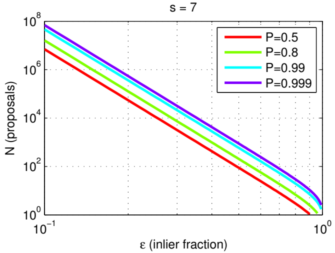
P ...probability that at least one proposal is an all-inlier $1-P$ ...all previous N proposals were bad
ε ...the fraction of inliers among primitives, $\varepsilon \leq 1$
s ...minimal sample size (2 in line fitting, 7 in 7-point algorithm)

$$N \geq \frac{\log(1-P)}{\log(1-\varepsilon^s)}$$

- ε^s ...proposal does not contain an outlier
- $1-\varepsilon^s$ ...proposal contains at least one outlier
- $(1-\varepsilon^s)^N$ ...N previous proposals contained an outlier $= 1-P$

N for $s=7$

	P	
ε	0.8	0.99
0.5	205	590
0.2	$1.3\cdot10^5$	$3.5\cdot10^5$
0.1	$1.6\cdot10^7$	$4.6\cdot10^7$



- N can be re-estimated using the current estimate for ε (if there is LO, then after LO)
  the quasi-posterior estimate for ε is the average over all samples generated so far
- this shows we have a good reason to limit all possible matches to tentative matches only
- for $\varepsilon \to 0$ we gain nothing over the standard MH-sampler stopping criterion

Example Matching Results for the 7-point Algorithm with RANSAC

input images | interest points (ca. 3600) | tentative corresp. (416) | matching (340)

- notice some wrong matches (they have wrong depth, even negative)
- they cannot be rejected without additional constraints or scene knowledge
- without local optimization the minimization is over a discrete set of epipolar geometries proposable from 7-tuples

Beyond RANSAC

By marginalization in (23) we have lost constraints on M (eg. uniqueness). One can choose a better model when not marginalizing:

$$\pi(M, \mathbf{F}, E, D) = \underbrace{p(E \mid M, \mathbf{F})}_{\text{geometric error}} \cdot \underbrace{p(D \mid M)}_{\text{similarity}} \cdot \underbrace{p(\mathbf{F})}_{\text{prior}} \cdot \underbrace{P(M)}_{\text{constraints}}$$

this is a global model: decisions on m_{ij} are no longer independent!

In the MH scheme

- one can work with full $p(M, \mathbf{F} \mid E, D)$, then $S = (M, \mathbf{F})$
  - explicit labeling m_{ij} can be done by, e.g. sampling from

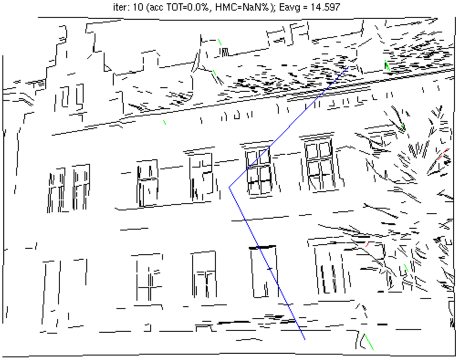
    $$q(m_{ij} \mid \mathbf{F}) \sim \big((1 - P_0)\, p_1(e_{ij} \mid \mathbf{F}),\ P_0\, p_0(e_{ij} \mid \mathbf{F})\big)$$

    when $P(M)$ uniform then always accepted, $a = 1$ ⊛ derive
  - we can compute the posterior probability of each match $p(m_{ij})$ by histogramming m_{ij} from $\{S_i\}$
  - local optimization can then use explicit inliers and $p(m_{ij})$
- error can be estimated for elements of $\mathbf{F}$ from $\{S_i\}$ — does not work in RANSAC!
- large error indicates problem degeneracy — this is not directly available in RANSAC
- good conditioning is not a requirement — we work with the entire distribution $p(\mathbf{F})$
- one can find the most probable number of epipolar geometries (homographies or other models) — by reversible jump MCMC and model selection

  if there are multiple models explaning data, RANSAC will return one of them randomly

Example: MH Sampling for a More Complex Problem

Task: Find two vanishing points from line segments detected in input image. Principal point is known, square pixel.

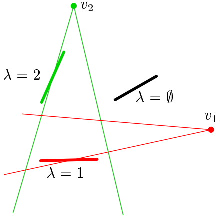


video

- primitives = line segments
- latent variables
  1. each line has a vanishing point label $\lambda_i \in \{\emptyset, 1, 2\}$, $\emptyset$ represents an outlier
  2. 'mother line' parameters θ_L (they pass through their vanishing points)
- explicit variables
  1. two unknown vanishing points v_1, v_2
- marginal proposals (v_i fixed, v_j proposed)
- minimal sample $s = 2$

simplifications

- vanishing points restricted to the set of all pairwise segment intersections
- mother lines fixed by segment centroid (then θ_L uniquely given by λ_i)



$$\arg \min_{v_1, v_2, \Lambda, \theta_L} V(v_1, v_2, \Lambda, L \mid S)$$

Module VI

3D Structure and Camera Motion

covered by

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▶Constructing Cameras from the Fundamental Matrix

Given $\mathbf{F}$, construct some cameras $\mathbf{P}_1$, $\mathbf{P}_2$ such that $\mathbf{F}$ is their fundamental matrix.

Solution See [H&Z, p. 256]

$$\mathbf{P}_1 = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0}\end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{P}_2 = \begin{bmatrix}[\underline{\mathbf{e}}_2]_\times \mathbf{F} + \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2\, \underline{\mathbf{v}}^\top & \lambda\, \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2\end{bmatrix}$$

where

- $\underline{\mathbf{v}}$ is any 3-vector, e.g. $\underline{\mathbf{v}} = \underline{\mathbf{e}}_1 = \mathrm{null}(\mathbf{F})$, i.e. $\mathbf{F}\,\mathbf{e}_1 = 0$, to make the camera finite
- $\lambda \neq 0$ is a scalar,
- $\underline{\mathbf{e}}_2 = \mathrm{null}(\mathbf{F}^\top)$, i.e. $\underline{\mathbf{e}}_2^\top \mathbf{F} = 0$

Proof

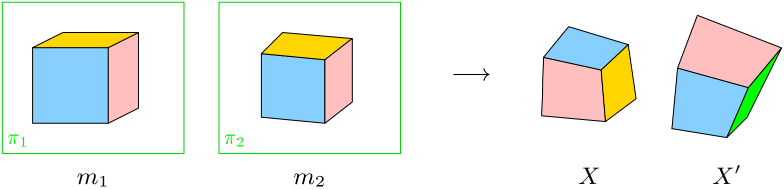
1. $\mathbf{S}$ is skew-symmetric iff $\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{S}\mathbf{x} = 0$ for all $\mathbf{x}$ — look-up the proof!
2. we have $\underline{\mathbf{x}} \simeq \mathbf{P}\underline{\mathbf{X}}$
3. a non-zero $\mathbf{F}$ is a f.m. of $(\mathbf{P}_1, \mathbf{P}_2)$ iff $\mathbf{P}_2^\top \mathbf{F}\mathbf{P}_1$ is skew-symmetric
4. if $\mathbf{P}_1 = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0}\end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{P}_2 = \begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{F} & \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2\end{bmatrix}$ then $\mathbf{F}$ corresponds to $(\mathbf{P}_1, \mathbf{P}_2)$ by Step 3
5. we can write $\mathbf{S} = [\mathbf{s}]_\times$
6. a suitable choice is $\mathbf{s} = \underline{\mathbf{e}}_2$ — [Luong96]
7. for the full the class including $\underline{\mathbf{v}}$, see [H&Z, Sec. 9.5]

►The Projective Reconstruction Theorem

Observation: Unless $\mathbf{P}_i$ are constrained, then for any number of cameras $i = 1, \ldots, k$

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}}_i \simeq \mathbf{P}_i \underline{\mathbf{X}} = \underbrace{\mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{H}^{-1}}_{\mathbf{P}'_i} \underbrace{\mathbf{H} \underline{\mathbf{X}}}_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}'} = \mathbf{P}'_i \, \underline{\mathbf{X}}'$$

- when $\mathbf{P}_i$ and $\underline{\mathbf{X}}$ are both determined from correspondences (including calibrations $\mathbf{K}_i$), they are given up to a common 3D homography $\mathbf{H}$
  (translation, rotation, scale, shear, pure perspectivity)

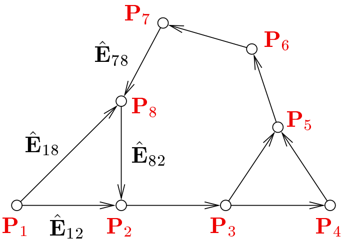


- when cameras are internally calibrated ($\mathbf{K}_i$ known) then $\mathbf{H}$ is restricted to a similarity since it must preserve the calibrations $\mathbf{K}_i$ [H&Z, Secs. 10.2, 10.3], [Longuet-Higgins 1981]
  (translation, rotation, scale)

►Reconstructing Camera Systems

Problem: Given a set of p decomposed pairwise essential matrices $\hat{\mathbf{E}}_{ij} = [\hat{\mathbf{t}}_{ij}]_\times \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}$ and calibration matrices $\mathbf{K}_i$ reconstruct the camera system $\mathbf{P}_i$, $i = 1, \ldots, k$

→80 and →145 on representing $\mathbf{E}$



We construct calibrated camera pairs $\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{6,4}$ →128

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_i^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{P}}_i \\ \mathbf{K}_j^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{P}}_j \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij} & \hat{\mathbf{t}}_{ij} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{6,4}$$

- singletons i, j correspond to graph nodes — k nodes
- pairs ij correspond to graph edges — p edges

$\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{ij}$ are in different coordinate systems but these are related by similarities $\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{ij}\mathbf{H}_{ij} = \mathbf{P}_{ij}$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij} & \hat{\mathbf{t}}_{ij} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbb{R}^{6,4}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{ij} & \mathbf{t}_{ij} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & s_{ij} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{H}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{4,4}} \stackrel{!}{=} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{R}_j & \mathbf{t}_j \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbb{R}^{6,4}} \tag{28}$$

- (28) is a linear system of $24p$ eqs. in $7p + 6k$ unknowns — $7p \sim (\mathbf{t}_{ij}, \mathbf{R}_{ij}, s_{ij})$, $6k \sim (\mathbf{R}_i, \mathbf{t}_i)$
- each $\mathbf{P}_i$ appears on the right side as many times as is the degree of node $\mathbf{P}_i$ — eg. P_5 3-times

▶cont'd

Eq. (28) implies $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{ij} \\ \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}\mathbf{R}_{ij} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i \\ \mathbf{R}_j \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{t}_{ij} \\ \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}\mathbf{t}_{ij} + s_{ij}\hat{\mathbf{t}}_{ij} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{t}_j \end{bmatrix}$

- $\mathbf{R}_{ij}$ and $\mathbf{t}_{ij}$ can be eliminated:

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}\mathbf{R}_i = \mathbf{R}_j, \qquad \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}\mathbf{t}_i + s_{ij}\hat{\mathbf{t}}_{ij} = \mathbf{t}_j, \qquad s_{ij} > 0 \tag{29}$$

- note transformations that do not change these equations — assuming no error in $\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}$

  1. $\mathbf{R}_i \mapsto \mathbf{R}_i\mathbf{R}$, 2. $\mathbf{t}_i \mapsto \sigma\,\mathbf{t}_i$ and $s_{ij} \mapsto \sigma s_{ij}$, 3. $\mathbf{t}_i \mapsto \mathbf{t}_i + \mathbf{R}_i\mathbf{t}$

- the global frame is fixed, e.g. by selecting

$$\mathbf{R}_1 = \mathbf{I}, \qquad \sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathbf{t}_i = \mathbf{0}, \qquad \frac{1}{p}\sum_{i,j} s_{ij} = 1 \tag{30}$$

- rotation equations are decoupled from translation equations
- in principle, s_{ij} could correct the sign of $\hat{\mathbf{t}}_{ij}$ from essential matrix decomposition →80
  but $\mathbf{R}_i$ cannot correct the α sign in $\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}$
  ⇒ therefore make sure all points are in front of cameras and constrain $s_{ij} > 0$; →82

\+ pairwise correspondences are sufficient

− suitable for well-distributed cameras only (dome-like configurations)

otherwise intractable or numerically unstable

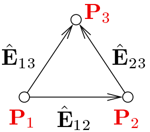
Finding The Rotation Component in Eq. (29): A Global Algorithm

Task: Solve $\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}\mathbf{R}_i = \mathbf{R}_j$, $i, j \in V$, $(i,j) \in E$ where $\mathbf{R}$ are a 3×3 rotation matrix each. Per columns $c = 1, 2, 3$ of $\mathbf{R}_j$:

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}\mathbf{r}_i^c - \mathbf{r}_j^c = \mathbf{0}, \qquad \text{for all } i,\, j \tag{31}$$

- fix c and denote $\mathbf{r}^c = \left[\mathbf{r}_1^c, \mathbf{r}_2^c, \ldots, \mathbf{r}_k^c\right]^\top$ c-th columns of all rotation matrices stacked; $\mathbf{r}^c \in \mathbb{R}^{3k}$
- then (31) becomes $\mathbf{D}\,\mathbf{r}^c = \mathbf{0}$ $\quad\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{3p,3k}$
- $3p$ equations for $3k$ unknowns $\rightarrow p \geq k$ $\quad$ in a 1-connected graph we have to fix $\mathbf{r}_1^c = [1, 0, 0]$

Ex: $(k = p = 3)$



$\rightarrow$

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{12}\mathbf{r}_1^c - \mathbf{r}_2^c = \mathbf{0}$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{23}\mathbf{r}_2^c - \mathbf{r}_3^c = \mathbf{0}$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{13}\mathbf{r}_1^c - \mathbf{r}_3^c = \mathbf{0}$$

$\rightarrow$

$$\mathbf{D}\,\mathbf{r}^c = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{12} & -\mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{23} & -\mathbf{I} \\ \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{13} & \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}_1^c \\ \mathbf{r}_2^c \\ \mathbf{r}_3^c \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

- must hold for any c

Idea: [Martinec & Pajdla CVPR 2007]

1. find the space of all $\mathbf{r}^c \in \mathbb{R}^{3k}$ that solve (31) $\quad\mathbf{D}$ is sparse, use `[V,E] = eigs(D'*D,3,0);` (Matlab)
2. choose 3 unit orthogonal vectors in this space $\quad$ 3 smallest eigenvectors
3. find closest rotation matrices per cam. using SVD $\quad$ because $\|\mathbf{r}^c\| = 1$ is necessary but insufficient
   $\mathbf{R}_i^* = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{V}^\top$, where $\mathbf{R}_i = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top$

- global world rotation is arbitrary

Finding The Translation Component in Eq. (29)

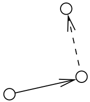
From (29) and (30): $d \le 3$ – rank of camera center set, p – #pairs, k – #cameras

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}\mathbf{t}_i + s_{ij}\hat{\mathbf{t}}_{ij} - \mathbf{t}_j = \mathbf{0}, \qquad \sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathbf{t}_i = \mathbf{0}, \qquad \sum_{i,j} s_{ij} = p, \qquad s_{ij} > 0, \qquad \mathbf{t}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

- in rank d: $d \cdot p + d + 1$ equations for $d \cdot k + p$ unknowns $\to p \ge \frac{d(k-1)-1}{d-1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} Q(d,k)$

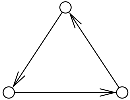
Ex: Chains and circuits construction from sticks of known orientation and unknown length?

$p = k - 1$



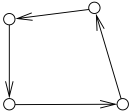
$k \le 2$ for any d

$k = p = 3$



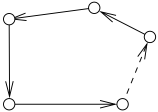
$3 \ge d \ge 2$: non-collinear ok

$k = p = 4$



$3 \ge d \ge 3$: non-planar ok

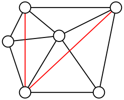
$k = p > 4$



$3 \ge d \ge k - 1$: impossible

- equations insufficient for chains, trees, or when $d = 1$ collinear cameras
- 3-connectivity implies sufficient equations for $d = 3$ cams. in general pos. in 3D
  - s-connected graph has $p \ge \lceil \frac{sk}{2} \rceil$ edges for $s \ge 2$, hence $p \ge \lceil \frac{3k}{2} \rceil \ge Q(3,k) = \frac{3k}{2} - 2$
- 4-connectivity implies sufficient eqns. for any k when $d = 2$ coplanar cams
  - since $p \ge \lceil 2k \rceil \ge Q(2,k) = 2k - 3$
  - maximal planar tringulated graphs have $p = 3k - 6$ and give a solution for $k \ge 3$

maximal planar triangulated graph example:



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Linear equations in (29) and (30) can be rewritten to

$$\mathbf{D}\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{0}, \qquad \mathbf{t} = \left[\mathbf{t}_1^\top, \mathbf{t}_2^\top, \ldots, \mathbf{t}_k^\top, s_{12}, \ldots, s_{ij}, \ldots\right]^\top$$

for $d = 3$: $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^{3k+p}$, $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{3p,3k+p}$ is sparse

$$\mathbf{t}^* = \arg\min_{\mathbf{t},\, s_{ij}>0} \mathbf{t}^\top \mathbf{D}^\top \mathbf{D}\, \mathbf{t}$$

- this is a quadratic programming problem (mind the constraints!)

```
z = zeros(3*k+p,1);
t = quadprog(D.'*D, z, diag([zeros(3*k,1); -ones(p,1)]), z);
```

- but check the rank first!

▶Solving Eq. (29) by Stepwise Gluing

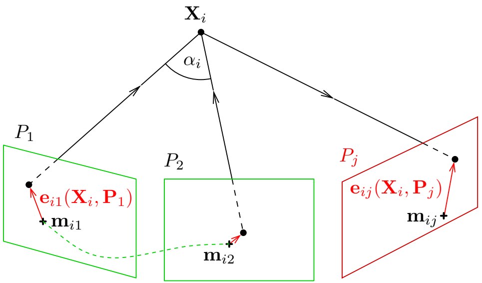
Given: Calibration matrices $\mathbf{K}_j$ and tentative correspondences per camera triples.

Initialization

1. initialize camera cluster $\mathcal{C}$ with P_1, P_2,
2. find essential matrix $\mathbf{E}_{12}$ and matches M_{12} by the 5-point algorithm →87
3. construct camera pair

$$\mathbf{P}_1 = \mathbf{K}_1 \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}, \ \mathbf{P}_2 = \mathbf{K}_2 \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix}$$

4. compute 3D reconstruction $\{X_i\}$ per match from M_{12} →104
5. initialize point cloud $\mathcal{X}$ with $\{X_i\}$ satisfying chirality constraint $z_i > 0$ and apical angle constraint $|\alpha_i| > \alpha_T$



Attaching camera $P_j \notin \mathcal{C}$

1. select points $\mathcal{X}_j$ from $\mathcal{X}$ that have matches to P_j
2. estimate $\mathbf{P}_j$ using $\mathcal{X}_j$, RANSAC with the 3-pt alg. (P3P), projection errors $\mathbf{e}_{ij}$ in $\mathcal{X}_j$ →66
3. reconstruct 3D points from all tentative matches from P_j to all P_l, $l \neq k$ that are not in $\mathcal{X}$
4. filter them by the chirality and apical angle constraints and add them to $\mathcal{X}$
5. add P_j to $\mathcal{C}$
6. perform bundle adjustment on $\mathcal{X}$ and $\mathcal{C}$ coming next →136

►Bundle Adjustment

Given:

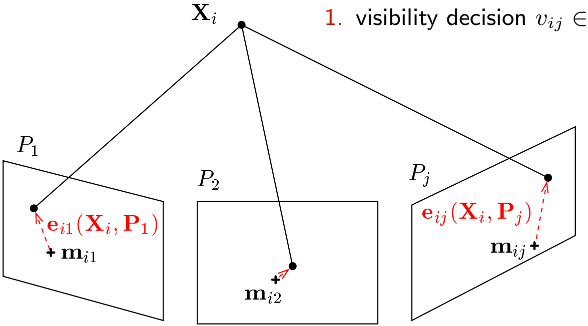
1. set of 3D points $\{\mathbf{X}_i\}_{i=1}^p$
2. set of cameras $\{\mathbf{P}_j\}_{j=1}^c$
3. fixed tentative projections $\mathbf{m}_{ij}$

Required:

1. corrected 3D points $\{\mathbf{X}'_i\}_{i=1}^p$
2. corrected cameras $\{\mathbf{P}'_j\}_{j=1}^c$

Latent:

1. visibility decision $v_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$ per $\mathbf{m}_{ij}$



- for simplicity, $\mathbf{X}$, $\mathbf{m}$ are considered Cartesian (not homogeneous)
- we have projection error $\mathbf{e}_{ij}(\mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{P}_j) = \mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{m}_i$ per image feature, where $\underline{\mathbf{x}}_i = \mathbf{P}_j \underline{\mathbf{X}}_i$
- for simplicity, we will work with scalar error $e_{ij} = \|\mathbf{e}_{ij}\|$

Robust Objective Function for Bundle Adjustment

The data model is constructed by marginalization, as in Robust Matching Model →112

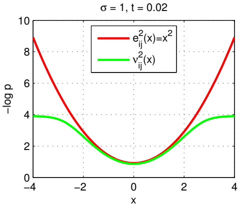
$$p(\{\mathbf{e}\} \mid \{\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{X}\}) = \prod_{\text{pts}:i=1}^{p} \prod_{\text{cams}:j=1}^{c} \Big((1 - P_0) p_1(e_{ij} \mid \mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{P}_j) + P_0\, p_0(e_{ij} \mid \mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{P}_j) \Big)$$

marginalized negative log-density is (→113)

$$-\log p(\{\mathbf{e}\} \mid \{\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{X}\}) = \sum_i \sum_j \underbrace{-\log\Big(e^{-\frac{e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{X}_i,\mathbf{P}_j)}{2\sigma_1^2}} + t\Big)}_{\rho(e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{X}_i,\mathbf{P}_j)) = \nu_{ij}^2(\mathbf{X}_i,\mathbf{P}_j)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_i \sum_j \nu_{ij}^2(\mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{P}_j)$$

- e_{ij} is the projection error (not Sampson error)
- ν_{ij} is a 'robust' error fcn.; it is non-robust ($\nu_{ij} = e_{ij}$) when $t = 0$
- $\rho(\cdot)$ is a 'robustification function' we often find in M-estimation
- the $\mathbf{L}_{ij}$ in Levenberg-Marquardt changes to vector

$$(\mathbf{L}_{ij})_l = \frac{\partial \nu_{ij}}{\partial \theta_l} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 + t\, e^{e_{ij}^2(\theta)/(2\sigma_1^2)}}}_{\text{small for big } e_{ij}} \cdot \frac{1}{\nu_{ij}(\theta)} \cdot \frac{1}{4\sigma_1^2} \cdot \frac{\partial e_{ij}^2(\theta)}{\partial \theta_l} \quad (32)$$



but the LM method stays the same as before →106–107

- outliers: almost no impact on $\mathbf{d}_s$ in normal equations because the red term in (32) scales contributions to both sums down for the particular ij

$$-\sum_{i,j} \mathbf{L}_{ij}^\top \nu_{ij}(\theta^s) = \Big(\sum_{i,j}^{k} \mathbf{L}_{ij}^\top \mathbf{L}_{ij}\Big) \mathbf{d}_s$$

▶Sparsity in Bundle Adjustment

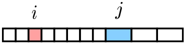
We have $q = 3p + 11k$ parameters: $\theta = (\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \ldots, \mathbf{X}_p;\ \mathbf{P}_1, \mathbf{P}_2, \ldots, \mathbf{P}_k)$ points, cameras

We will use a running index $r = 1, \ldots, z,\ z = p \cdot k$. Then each r corresponds to some i, j

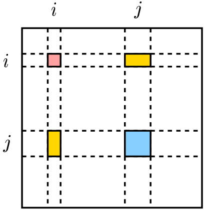
$$\theta^* = \arg\min_\theta \sum_{r=1}^{z} \nu_r^2(\theta),\ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{s+1} := \boldsymbol{\theta}^s + \mathbf{d}_s,\ -\sum_{r=1}^{z} \mathbf{L}_r^\top \nu_r(\theta^s) = \left(\sum_{r=1}^{z} \mathbf{L}_r^\top \mathbf{L}_r + \lambda \operatorname{diag} \mathbf{L}_r^\top \mathbf{L}_r\right) \mathbf{d}_s$$

The block form of $\mathbf{L}_r$ in Levenberg-Marquardt (→106) is zero except in columns i and j:

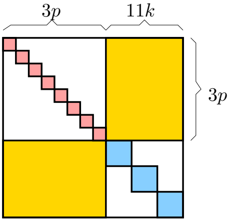
r-th error term is $\nu_r^2 = \rho(e_{ij}^2(\mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{P}_j))$

$\mathbf{L}_r =$ 

$r = (i, j)$ blocks:
- ■: $\mathbf{X}_i, 1 \times 3$
- ■: $\mathbf{P}_j, 1 \times 11$

$\mathbf{L}_r^\top \mathbf{L}_r =$ 

blocks:
- ■: $\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{X}_i$, 3×3
- ■: $\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{P}_j$, 3×11
- ■: $\mathbf{P}_j - \mathbf{P}_j$, 11×11

$\sum_{r=1}^{z} \mathbf{L}_r^\top \mathbf{L}_r =$ 

- "points first, then cameras" scheme

▶Choleski Decomposition for B. A.

The most expensive computation in B. A. is solving the normal eqs:

$$\text{find } \mathbf{d}_s \text{ such that} \qquad -\sum_{r=1}^{z} \mathbf{L}_r^\top \nu_r(\theta^s) = \Big(\sum_{r=1}^{z} \mathbf{L}_r^\top \mathbf{L}_r + \lambda \operatorname{diag} \mathbf{L}_r^\top \mathbf{L}_r\Big)\mathbf{d}_s$$

This is a linear set of equations $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, where

- $\mathbf{A}$ is very large — approx. $3 \cdot 10^4 \times 3 \cdot 10^4$ for a small problem of 10000 points and 5 cameras
- $\mathbf{A}$ is sparse and symmetric, $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ is dense — direct matrix inversion is prohibitive

> Choleski: Every symmetric positive definite matrix $\mathbf{A}$ can be decomposed to $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^\top$, where $\mathbf{L}$ is lower triangular. If $\mathbf{A}$ is sparse then $\mathbf{L}$ is sparse, too.

1. decompose $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^\top$ — transforms the problem to solving $\mathbf{L}\underbrace{\mathbf{L}^\top\mathbf{x}}_{\mathbf{c}} = \mathbf{b}$
2. solve for $\mathbf{x}$ in two passes:

$$\mathbf{L}\,\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{b} \qquad \mathbf{c}_i := \mathbf{L}_{ii}^{-1}\Big(\mathbf{b}_i - \sum_{j<i} \mathbf{L}_{ij}\mathbf{c}_j\Big) \qquad \text{forward substitution, } i = 1, \dots, q$$

$$\mathbf{L}^\top\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c} \qquad \mathbf{x}_i := \mathbf{L}_{ii}^{-1}\Big(\mathbf{c}_i - \sum_{j>i} \mathbf{L}_{ji}\mathbf{x}_j\Big) \qquad \text{back-substitution}$$

- Choleski decomposition is fast (does not touch zero blocks)
  non-zero elements are $9p + 121k + 66pk \approx 3.4 \cdot 10^6$; ca. $250\times$ fewer than all elements
- it can be computed on single elements or on entire blocks
- use profile Choleski for sparse $\mathbf{A}$ and diagonal pivoting for semi-definite $\mathbf{A}$ — see above; [Triggs et al. 1999]
- λ controls the definiteness

Profile Choleski Decomposition is Simple

```
function L = pchol(A)
%
% PCHOL profile Choleski factorization,
%    L = PCHOL(A) returns lower-triangular sparse L such that A = L*L'
%    for sparse square symmetric positive definite matrix A,
%    especially useful for arrowhead sparse matrices.

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 [p,q] = size(A);
 if p ~= q, error 'Matrix A is not square'; end

 L = sparse(q,q);
 F = ones(q,1);
 for i=1:q
  F(i) = find(A(i,:),1); % 1st non-zero on row i; we are building F gradually
  for j = F(i):i-1
   k = max(F(i),F(j));
   a = A(i,j) - L(i,k:(j-1))*L(j,k:(j-1))';
   L(i,j) = a/L(j,j);
  end
  a = A(i,i) - sum(full(L(i,F(i):(i-1))).^2);
  if a < 0, error 'Matrix A is not positive definite'; end
  L(i,i) = sqrt(a);
 end
end
```

▶Gauge Freedom

1. The external frame is not fixed: See Projective Reconstruction Theorem →129

$$\underline{\mathbf{m}}_{ij} \simeq \mathbf{P}_j \underline{\mathbf{X}}_i = \mathbf{P}_j \mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{H} \underline{\mathbf{X}}_i = \mathbf{P}'_j \underline{\mathbf{X}}'_i$$

2. Some representations are not minimal, e.g.

   - $\mathbf{P}$ is 12 numbers for 11 parameters
   - we may represent $\mathbf{P}$ in decomposed form $\mathbf{K}$, $\mathbf{R}$, $\mathbf{t}$
   - but $\mathbf{R}$ is 9 numbers representing the 3 parameters of rotation

As a result

- there is no unique solution
- matrix $\sum_r \mathbf{L}_r^\top \mathbf{L}_r$ is singular

Solutions

1. fixing the external frame (e.g. a selected camera frame) explicitly or by constraints

2a. either imposing constraints on projective entities

- cameras, e.g. $\mathbf{P}_{3,4} = 1$ — this excludes affine cameras
- points, e.g. $\|\underline{\mathbf{X}}_i\|^2 = 1$ — this way we can represent points at infinity

2b. or using minimal representations

- points in their Euclidean representation $\mathbf{X}_i$ — but finite points may be an unrealistic model
- rotation matrix can be represented by axis-angle or the Cayley transform — see next

Implementing Simple Constraints

What for?

1. fixing external frame as in $\theta_i = \mathbf{t}_i$ 'trivial gauge'
2. representing additional knowledge as in $\theta_i = \theta_j$ e.g. cameras share calibration matrix $\mathbf{K}$

Introduce reduced parameters $\hat{\theta}$ and replication matrix $\mathbf{T}$:

$$\theta = \mathbf{T}\,\hat{\theta} + \mathbf{t}, \quad \mathbf{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{p,\hat{p}}, \quad \hat{p} \le p$$

then $\mathbf{L}_r$ in LM changes to $\mathbf{L}_r\,\mathbf{T}$ and everything else stays the same →106

$\mathbf{T} =$

	$\hat{\theta}_1$	$\hat{\theta}_2$	$\hat{\theta}_3$	$\hat{\theta}_4$
θ_1	1			
θ_2		1		
θ_3				
θ_4				1
θ_5				1

$\mathbf{t} =$

1

these $\mathbf{T}$, $\mathbf{t}$ represent	
$\theta_1 = \hat{\theta}_1$	no change
$\theta_2 = \hat{\theta}_2$	no change
$\theta_3 = t_3$	constancy
$\theta_4 = \theta_5 = \hat{\theta}_4$	equality

- $\mathbf{T}$ deletes columns of $\mathbf{L}_r$ that correspond to fixed parameters it reduces the problem size
- consistent initialisation: $\theta^0 = \mathbf{T}\,\hat{\theta}^0 + \mathbf{t}$ or filter the init by pseudoinverse $\theta^0 \mapsto \mathbf{T}^\dagger \theta^0$
- no need for computing derivatives for θ_j corresponding to all-zero rows of $\mathbf{T}$ fixed θ

- constraining projective entities →144–145
- more complex constraints tend to make normal equations dense
- implementing constraints is safer than explicit renaming of the parameters, gives a flexibility to experiment
- other methods are much more involved, see [Triggs et al. 1999]
- **BA resource:** http://www.ics.forth.gr/~lourakis/sba/ [Lourakis 2009]

Matrix Exponential

- for any square matrix we define

$$\operatorname{expm} \mathbf{A} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \mathbf{A}^k \qquad \text{note: } \mathbf{A}^0 = \mathbf{I}$$

- some properties:

$$\operatorname{expm} \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{I}, \quad \operatorname{expm}(-\mathbf{A}) = \left(\operatorname{expm} \mathbf{A}\right)^{-1},$$

$$\operatorname{expm}(a\,\mathbf{A}) \operatorname{expm}(b\,\mathbf{A}) = \operatorname{expm}((a+b)\mathbf{A}), \quad \operatorname{expm}(\mathbf{A}+\mathbf{B}) \neq \operatorname{expm}(\mathbf{A}) \operatorname{expm}(\mathbf{B})$$

$\operatorname{expm}(\mathbf{A}^\top) = (\operatorname{expm} \mathbf{A})^\top$ hence if $\mathbf{A}$ is skew symmetric then $\operatorname{expm} \mathbf{A}$ is orthogonal:

$$\left(\operatorname{expm}(\mathbf{A})\right)^\top = \operatorname{expm}(\mathbf{A}^\top) = \operatorname{expm}(-\mathbf{A}) = \left(\operatorname{expm}(\mathbf{A})\right)^{-1}$$

$$\det \operatorname{expm} \mathbf{A} = \operatorname{expm}(\operatorname{tr} \mathbf{A})$$

Ex:

- homography can be represented via exponential map with 8 numbers e.g. as

$$\mathbf{H} = \operatorname{expm} \mathbf{Z} \quad \text{such that} \quad \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{Z} = 0, \text{ eg. } \mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} & z_{13} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} & z_{23} \\ z_{31} & z_{32} & -(z_{11}+z_{22}) \end{bmatrix}$$

- rotation can be represented by skew-symmetric matrix (3 numbers), see next

▶Minimal Representations for Rotation

- $\mathbf{o}$ – rotation axis, $\|\mathbf{o}\| = 1$, φ – rotation angle
- **wanted**: simple mapping to/from rotation matrices

1. Matrix exponential. Let $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \varphi\,\mathbf{o}$, $0 \leq \varphi < \pi$, then

$$\mathbf{R} = \operatorname{expm}\,[\boldsymbol{\omega}]_\times = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\boldsymbol{\omega}]_\times^n}{n!} = \overset{\circledast\,1}{\cdots} = \mathbf{I} + \frac{\sin\varphi}{\varphi}\,[\boldsymbol{\omega}]_\times + \frac{1-\cos\varphi}{\varphi^2}\,[\boldsymbol{\omega}]_\times^2$$

- for $\varphi = 0$ we take the limit and get $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$
- this is the Rodrigues' formula for rotation
- inverse (the principal logarithm of $\mathbf{R}$) from

$$0 \leq \varphi < \pi, \quad \cos\varphi = \frac{1}{2}(\operatorname{tr}\mathbf{R} - 1), \quad [\boldsymbol{\omega}]_\times = \frac{\varphi}{2\,\sin\varphi}(\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}^\top),$$

2. Cayley's representation; let $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{o}\tan\frac{\varphi}{2}$, then

$$\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{I} + [\mathbf{a}]_\times)(\mathbf{I} - [\mathbf{a}]_\times)^{-1}, \quad [\mathbf{a}]_\times = (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{I})^{-1}(\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 \circ \mathbf{a}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 - \mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_2}{1 - \mathbf{a}_1^\top \mathbf{a}_2}$$ composition of rotations $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}_1\mathbf{R}_2$

- again, cannot represent rotations for $\phi \geq \pi$
- no trigonometric functions
- explicit composition formula

►Minimal Representations for Other Entities

with the help of rotation we can minimally represent

1. fundamental matrix

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top, \quad \mathbf{D} = \mathrm{diag}(1, d^2, 0), \quad \mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V} \text{ are rotations}, \quad 3 + 1 + 3 = 7 \text{ DOF}$$

2. essential matrix

$$\mathbf{E} = [-\mathbf{t}]_\times \mathbf{R}, \quad \mathbf{R} \text{ is rotation}, \quad \|\mathbf{t}\| = 1, \qquad 3 + 2 = 5 \text{ DOF}$$

3. camera

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t}\end{bmatrix}, \qquad 5 + 3 + 3 = 11 \text{ DOF}$$

Interestingly, let [Eade 2017]

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix}[\boldsymbol{\omega}]_\times & \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 0\end{bmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{4,4}$$

then, assuming $\|\boldsymbol{\omega}\| = \phi > 0$ for $\phi = 0$ we take the limits

$$\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1\end{bmatrix} = \mathrm{expm}\,\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{I}_4 + \mathbf{B} + h_2(\phi)\,\mathbf{B}^2 + h_3(\phi)\,\mathbf{B}^3 = \begin{bmatrix}\mathrm{expm}\,[\boldsymbol{\omega}]_\times & \mathbf{V}\,\mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1\end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}_3 + h_2(\phi)\,[\boldsymbol{\omega}]_\times + h_3(\phi)\,[\boldsymbol{\omega}]^2_\times, \quad \mathbf{V}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}_3 - \frac{1}{2}[\boldsymbol{\omega}]_\times + h_4(\phi)[\boldsymbol{\omega}]^2_\times$$

$$h_1(\phi) = \frac{\sin\phi}{\phi}, \quad h_2(\phi) = \frac{1 - \cos\phi}{\phi^2}, \quad h_3(\phi) = \frac{\phi - \sin\phi}{\phi^3}, \quad h_4(\phi) = \frac{1}{\phi^2}\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\,\phi\cot\frac{\phi}{2}\right)$$

Module VII

Stereovision

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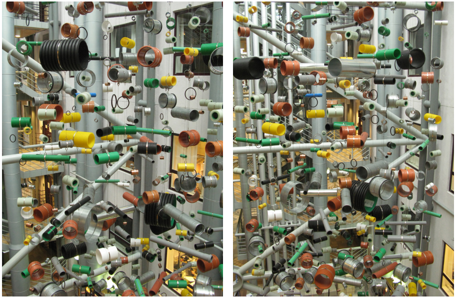
What Are The Relative Distances?

- monocular vision already gives a rough 3D sketch because we understand the scene

What Are The Relative Distances?



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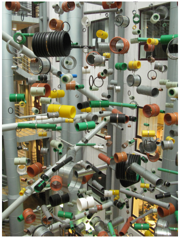
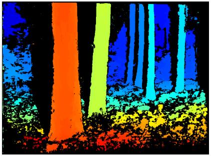
- left: we have no help from image interpretation
- right: ambiguous interpretation due to a combination of missing texture and occlusion

▶How Difficult Is Stereo?

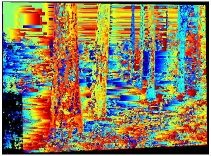


- when we do not recognize the scene and cannot use high-level constraints the problem seems difficult (right, less so in the center)
- most stereo matching algorithms do not require scene understanding prior to matching
- the success of a model-free stereo matching algorithm is unlikely:

left image



a good disparity map



disparity map from WTA

WTA Matching:

for every left-image pixel
find the most similar right-image pixel along the corresponding epipolar line [Marroquin 83]

A Summary of Our Observations and an Outlook

1. simple matching algorithms do not work
2. stereopsis requires image interpretation in sufficiently complex scenes

   or another-modality measurement

we have a tradeoff: model strength $\leftrightarrow$ universality

Outlook:

1. represent the occlusion constraint: correspondences are not independent due to occlusions
   - epipolar rectification
   - disparity
   - uniqueness as an occlusion constraint
2. represent piecewise continuity the weakest of interpretations; piecewise: object boundaries
   - ordering as a weak continuity model
3. use a consistent framework
   - looking for the most probable solution (MAP)

▶Linear Epipolar Rectification for Easier Correspondence Search

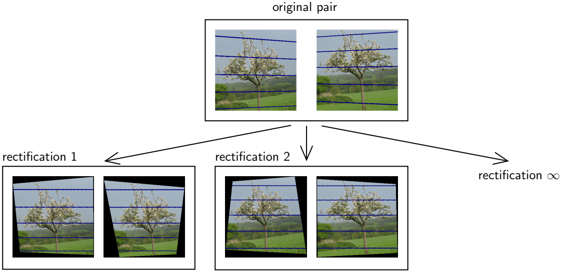
Obs:

- if we map epipoles to infinity, epipolar lines become parallel
- we then rotate them to become horizontal
- we then scale to make correspoding epipolar lines colinear
- this can be achieved by a pair of homographies applied to the images

Problem: Given fundamental matrix $\mathbf{F}$ or camera matrices $\mathbf{P}_1$, $\mathbf{P}_2$, compute a pair of homographies that maps epipolar lines to horizontal with the same row coordinate.

Procedure:

1. find a pair of rectification homographies $\mathbf{H}_1$ and $\mathbf{H}_2$.
2. warp images using $\mathbf{H}_1$ and $\mathbf{H}_2$ and transform the fundamental matrix $\mathbf{F} \mapsto \mathbf{H}_2^{-\top}\mathbf{F}\mathbf{H}_1^{-1}$ or the cameras $\mathbf{P}_1 \mapsto \mathbf{H}_1\mathbf{P}_1$, $\mathbf{P}_2 \mapsto \mathbf{H}_2\mathbf{P}_2$.

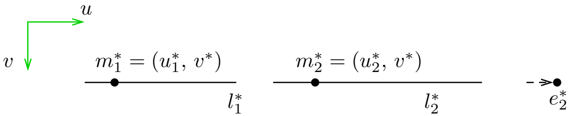


▶Rectification Homographies

Assumption: Cameras $(\mathbf{P}_1, \mathbf{P}_2)$ are rectified by a homography pair $(\mathbf{H}_1, \mathbf{H}_2)$:

$$\mathbf{P}_i^* = \mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{P}_i = \mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{K}_i \mathbf{R}_i \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}_i \end{bmatrix}, \quad i = 1, 2$$

rectified entities: $\mathbf{F}^*$, $\underline{\mathbf{l}}_2^*$, $\underline{\mathbf{l}}_1^*$, etc:



- the rectified location difference $d = u_1^* - u_2^*$ is called disparity

corresponding epipolar lines must be:

1. parallel to image rows $\Rightarrow$ epipoles become $e_1^* = e_2^* = (1, 0, 0)$
2. equivalent $l_2^* = l_1^*$ $\Rightarrow$ (a) $\underline{\mathbf{l}}_2^* \simeq \underline{\mathbf{l}}_1^* \simeq \underline{\mathbf{e}}_1^* \times \underline{\mathbf{m}}_1 = [\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1^*]_\times \underline{\mathbf{m}}_1$, (b) $\underline{\mathbf{l}}_2^* \simeq \mathbf{F}^* \underline{\mathbf{m}}_1$

- therefore the canonical fundamental matrix is

$$\mathbf{F}^* \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

A two-step rectification procedure

1. find some pair of primitive rectification homographies $\hat{\mathbf{H}}_1$, $\hat{\mathbf{H}}_2$
2. upgrade to a pair of optimal rectification homographies while preserving $\mathbf{F}^*$

▶Geometric Interpretation of Linear Rectification

What pair of physical cameras is compatible with $\mathbf{F}^*$?

- we know that $\mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{Q}_2^{-1})^\top [\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1]_\times$ →78
- we choose $\mathbf{Q}_1^* = \mathbf{K}_1^*$, $\mathbf{Q}_2^* = \mathbf{K}_2^* \mathbf{R}^*$; then

$$(\mathbf{Q}_1^* \mathbf{Q}_2^{*\,-1})^\top [\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1^*]_\times = (\mathbf{K}_1^* \mathbf{R}^{*\top} \mathbf{K}_2^{*\,-1})^\top \mathbf{F}^*$$

- we look for $\mathbf{R}^*$, $\mathbf{K}_1^*$, $\mathbf{K}_2^*$ compatible with

$$(\mathbf{K}_1^* \mathbf{R}^{*\top} \mathbf{K}_2^{*\,-1})^\top \mathbf{F}^* = \lambda \mathbf{F}^*, \qquad \mathbf{R}^* \mathbf{R}^{*\top} = \mathbf{I}, \qquad \mathbf{K}_1^*, \mathbf{K}_2^* \text{ upper triangular}$$

- we also want $\mathbf{b}^*$ from $\underline{\mathbf{e}}_1^* \simeq \mathbf{P}_1^* \underline{\mathbf{C}}_2^* = \mathbf{K}_1^* \mathbf{b}^*$ $\quad$ $\mathbf{b}^*$ in cam. 1 frame
- result:

$$\mathbf{R}^* = \mathbf{I}, \quad \mathbf{b}^* = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{K}_1^* = \begin{bmatrix} k_{11} & k_{12} & k_{13} \\ 0 & f & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{K}_2^* = \begin{bmatrix} k_{21} & k_{22} & k_{23} \\ 0 & f & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \tag{33}$$

- rectified cameras are in canonical relative pose $\quad$ not rotated, canonical baseline
- rectified calibration matrices can differ in the first row only
- when $\mathbf{K}_1^* = \mathbf{K}_2^*$ then the rectified pair is called the standard stereo pair and the homographies standard rectification homographies
- standard rectification homographies: points at infinity have zero disparity

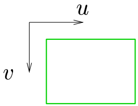
$$\mathbf{P}_i^* \underline{\mathbf{X}}_\infty = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}_i \end{bmatrix} \underline{\mathbf{X}}_\infty = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{X}_\infty \qquad i = 1, 2$$

- this does not mean that the images are not distorted after rectification

►The Degrees of Freedom in Epipolar Rectification

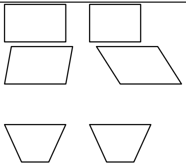
Proposition 1 Homographies $\mathbf{A}_1$ and $\mathbf{A}_2$ are rectification-preserving if the images stay rectified, i.e. if $\mathbf{A}_2^{-\top}\,\mathbf{F}^*\,\mathbf{A}_1^{-1} \simeq \mathbf{F}^*$, which gives

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 & l_2 & l_3 \\ 0 & s_v & t_v \\ 0 & q & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & r_2 & r_3 \\ 0 & s_v & t_v \\ 0 & q & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$



where $s_v \neq 0,\ t_v,\ l_1 \neq 0,\ l_2,\ l_3,\ r_1 \neq 0,\ r_2,\ r_3,\ q$ are 9 free parameters.

general	transformation	standard
$l_1,\ r_1$	horizontal scales	$l_1 = r_1$
$l_2,\ r_2$	horizontal shears	$l_2 = r_2$
$l_3,\ r_3$	horizontal shifts	$l_3 = r_3$
q	common special projective	
s_v	common vertical scale	
t_v	common vertical shift	
9 DoF		$9 - 3 = 6$ DoF



- q is rotation about the baseline
- s_v changes the focal length

proof: find a rotation $\mathbf{G}$ that brings $\mathbf{K}$ to upper triangular form via RQ decomposition: $\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{K}_1^* = \hat{\mathbf{K}}_1\mathbf{G}$ and $\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{K}_2^* = \hat{\mathbf{K}}_2\mathbf{G}$

The Rectification Group

Corollary for Proposition 1 Let $\bar{\mathbf{H}}_1$ and $\bar{\mathbf{H}}_2$ be (primitive or other) rectification homographies. Then $\mathbf{H}_1 = \mathbf{A}_1\bar{\mathbf{H}}_1, \quad \mathbf{H}_2 = \mathbf{A}_2\bar{\mathbf{H}}_2$ are also rectification homographies.

Proposition 2 Pairs of rectification-preserving homographies $(\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2)$ form a group with group operation $(\mathbf{A}'_1, \mathbf{A}'_2) \circ (\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2) = (\mathbf{A}'_1\,\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}'_2\,\mathbf{A}_2)$.

Proof:

- closure by Proposition 1
- associativity by matrix multiplication
- identity belongs to the set
- inverse element belongs to the set by $\mathbf{A}_2^\top\mathbf{F}^*\mathbf{A}_1 \simeq \mathbf{F}^* \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{F}^* \simeq \mathbf{A}_2^{-\top}\mathbf{F}^*\mathbf{A}_1^{-1}$

▶Primitive Rectification

Goal: Given fundamental matrix $\mathbf{F}$, derive some simple rectification homographies $\mathbf{H}_1$, $\mathbf{H}_2$

1. Let the SVD of $\mathbf{F}$ be $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top = \mathbf{F}$, where $\mathbf{D} = \mathrm{diag}(1, d^2, 0)$, $\quad 1 \geq d^2 > 0$
2. Write $\mathbf{D}$ as $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{F}^* \mathbf{B}$ for some regular $\mathbf{A}$, $\mathbf{B}$. For instance ($\mathbf{F}^*$ is given →152)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -d & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Then

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top = \underbrace{\mathbf{U}\mathbf{A}^\top}_{\hat{\mathbf{H}}_2^\top} \mathbf{F}^* \underbrace{\mathbf{B}\mathbf{V}^\top}_{\hat{\mathbf{H}}_1}$$

and the primitive rectification homographies are

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}}_2 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{U}^\top, \qquad \hat{\mathbf{H}}_1 = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{V}^\top$$

⊛ P1; 1pt: derive some other admissible $\mathbf{A}$, $\mathbf{B}$

- rectification homographies do exist →152
- there are other primitive rectification homographies, these suggested are just simple to obtain

▶Primitive Rectification Suffices for Calibrated Cameras

Obs: calibrated cameras: $d = 1 \Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{H}}_1,\ \hat{\mathbf{H}}_2$ are orthogonal

1. determine primitive rectification homographies $(\hat{\mathbf{H}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{H}}_2)$ from the essential matrix
2. choose a suitable common calibration matrix $\mathbf{K}$, e.g.

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & u_0 \\ 0 & f & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad f = \frac{1}{2}(f^1 + f^2), \quad u_0 = \frac{1}{2}(u_0^1 + u_0^2), \ \text{etc.}$$

3. the final rectification homographies applied as $\mathbf{P}_i \mapsto \mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{P}_i$ are

$$\mathbf{H}_1 = \mathbf{K}\hat{\mathbf{H}}_1\mathbf{K}_1^{-1}, \quad \mathbf{H}_2 = \mathbf{K}\hat{\mathbf{H}}_2\mathbf{K}_2^{-1}$$

- we got a standard stereo pair (→153) and non-negative disparity

let $\mathbf{K}_i^{-1}\mathbf{P}_i = \mathbf{R}_i \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}_i \end{bmatrix}, \quad i = 1, 2$ — note we started from $\mathbf{E}$, not $\mathbf{F}$

$$\mathbf{H}_1\mathbf{P}_1 = \mathbf{K}\hat{\mathbf{H}}_1\mathbf{K}_1^{-1}\mathbf{P}_1 = \mathbf{K}\underbrace{\mathbf{B}\mathbf{V}^\top\mathbf{R}_1}_{\mathbf{R}^*}\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}^*\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_2\mathbf{P}_2 = \mathbf{K}\hat{\mathbf{H}}_2\mathbf{K}_2^{-1}\mathbf{P}_2 = \mathbf{K}\underbrace{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{U}^\top\mathbf{R}_2}_{\mathbf{R}^*}\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}^*\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{C}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

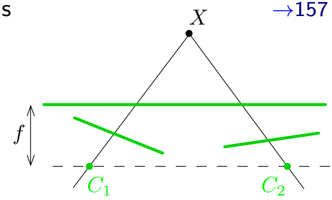
- one can prove that $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{V}^\top\mathbf{R}_1 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{U}^\top\mathbf{R}_2$ with the help of essential matrix decomposition (13)
- points at infinity project to $\mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}^*$ in both images ⇒ they have zero disparity

→160

▶Summary & Remarks: Linear Rectification

- rectification is done with a pair of homographies (one per image) →151
  - ⇒ rectified camera centers are equal to the original ones
  - binocular rectification: a 9-parameter family of rectification homographies
  - trinocular rectification: has 9 or 6 free parameters (depending on additional constrains)
  - in general, linear rectification is not possible for more than three cameras
- rectified cameras are in canonical orientation →153
  - ⇒ rectified image projection planes are coplanar
- equal rectified calibration matrices give standard rectification →153
  - ⇒ rectified image projection planes are equal
- primitive rectification is standard in calibrated cameras →157

standard rectification homographies reproject onto a common image plane parallel to the baseline



Corollary

- standard rectified pair: disparity vanishes when corresponding 3D points are at infinity
  - known $\mathbf{F}$ used alone gives no constraints on standard rectification homographies
  - for that we need either of these:
    1. projection matrices, or calibrated cameras, or
    2. a few points at infinity calibrating k_{1i}, k_{2i}, $i = 1, 2, 3$ in (33)

Optimal and Non-linear Rectification

Optimal choice for the free parameters

- by minimization of residual image distortion, eg. [Gluckman & Nayar 2001]

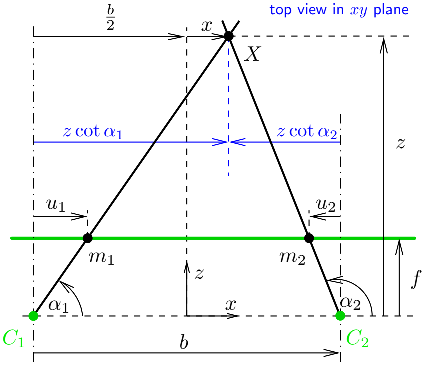
$$\mathbf{A}_1^* = \arg\min_{\mathbf{A}_1} \iint_\Omega \left(\det J(\mathbf{A}_1 \hat{\mathbf{H}}_1 \underline{\mathbf{x}}) - 1\right)^2 d\mathbf{x}$$

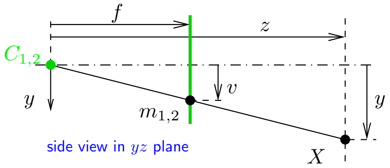
- by minimization of image information loss [Matoušek, ICIG 2004]
- non-linear rectification suitable for forward motion
  non-parametric: [Pollefeys et al. 1999]
  analytic: [Geyer & Daniilidis 2003]

forward egomotion

rectified images, Pollefeys' method

►Binocular Disparity in Standard Stereo Pair





- Assumptions: single image line, standard camera pair

$$b = z \cot \alpha_1 - z \cot \alpha_2$$

$$u_1 = f \cot \alpha_1 \qquad\qquad u_2 = f \cot \alpha_2$$

$$b = \frac{b}{2} + x - z \cot \alpha_2$$

$X = (x, z)$ from **disparity** $d = u_1 - u_2$:

$$z = \frac{b\,f}{d}, \quad x = \frac{b}{d}\,\frac{u_1 + u_2}{2}, \quad y = \frac{b\,v}{d}$$

f, d, u, v in pixels, b, x, y, z in meters

Observations

- constant disparity surface is a frontoparallel plane
- distant points have small disparity
- relative error in z is large for small disparity

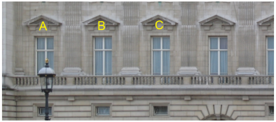
$$\frac{1}{z}\,\frac{dz}{dd} = -\frac{1}{d}$$

- increasing the baseline or the focal length increases disparity and reduces the error

Structural Ambiguity in Stereovision

- we can recognize matches but have no scene model
- lack of an occlusion model
- lack of a continuity model

⇒ structural ambiguity in the presence of repetitions (or lack of texture)



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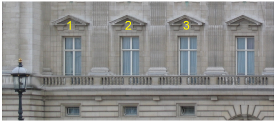

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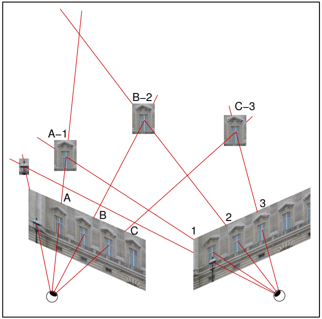

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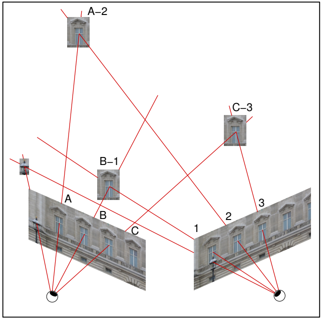
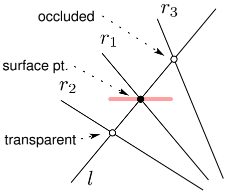
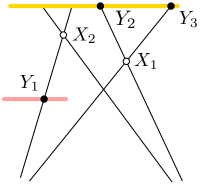


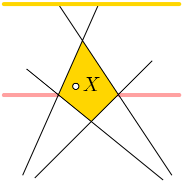
interpretation 2

▶Understanding Basic Occlusion Types





half occlusion

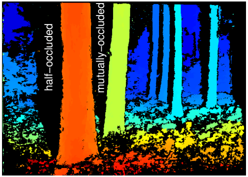


mutual occlusion

- surface point at the intersection of rays l and r_1 occludes a world point at the intersection (l, r_3) and implies the world point (l, r_2) is transparent, therefore

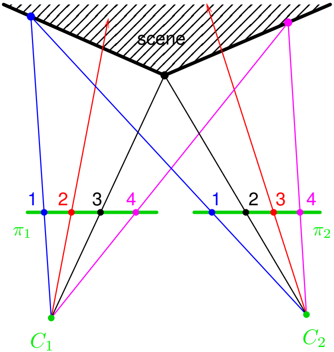
(l, r_3) and (l, r_2) are excluded by (l, r_1)

- in half-occlusion, every world point such as X_1 or X_2 is excluded by a binocularly visible surface point such as Y_1, Y_2, Y_3 $\Rightarrow$ decisions on correspondences are not independent
- in mutual occlusion this is no longer the case: any X in the yellow zone is not excluded $\Rightarrow$ decisions in the zone are independent on the rest

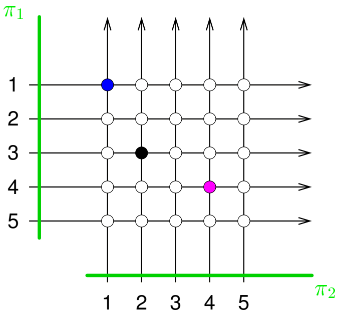


▶Matching Table

Based on scene opacity and the observation on mutual exclusion we expect each pixel to match at most once.



rays in epipolar plane



matching table T

matching table

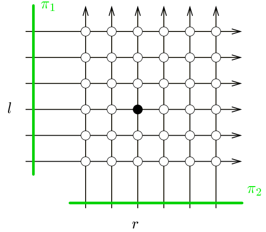
- rows and columns represent optical rays
- nodes: possible correspondence pairs
- full nodes: matches
- numerical values associated with nodes: descriptor similarities

see next

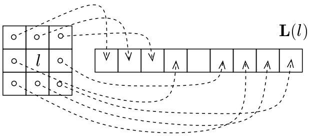
►Constructing A Suitable Image Similarity Statistic

- let $p_i = (l, r)$ and $\mathbf{L}(l)$, $\mathbf{R}(r)$ be (left, right) image descriptors (vectors) constructed from local image neighborhood windows

in matching table T:



'block' in the left image:



- a simple block similarity is $\mathrm{SAD}(l, r) = \|\mathbf{L}(l) - \mathbf{R}(r)\|_1$ L_1 metric (sum of absolute differences)
- a scaled-descriptor similarity is $\mathrm{sim}(l, r) = \dfrac{\|\mathbf{L}(l) - \mathbf{R}(r)\|^2}{\sigma_I^2(l, r)}$
- σ_I^2 – the difference scale; a suitable (plug-in) estimate is $\frac{1}{2}\left[\mathrm{var}\big(\mathbf{L}(l)\big) + \mathrm{var}\big(\mathbf{R}(r)\big)\right]$, giving

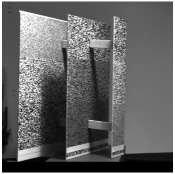
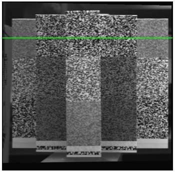
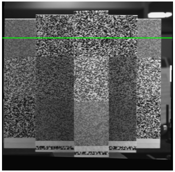
$$\mathrm{sim}(l, r) = 1 - \underbrace{\frac{2\,\mathrm{cov}\big(\mathbf{L}(l), \mathbf{R}(r)\big)}{\mathrm{var}\big(\mathbf{L}(l)\big) + \mathrm{var}\big(\mathbf{R}(r)\big)}}_{\rho\left(\mathbf{L}(l), \mathbf{R}(r)\right)} \qquad (34)$$

$\mathrm{var}(\cdot)$, $\mathrm{cov}(\cdot)$ is sample (co-)variance

- ρ – MNCC – Moravec's Normalized Cross-Correlation statistic [Moravec 1977]

$$\rho^2 \in [0, 1], \qquad \mathrm{sign}\,\rho \sim \text{'phase'}$$

How A Scene Looks in The Filled-In Matching Table

scene	left image	right image
		
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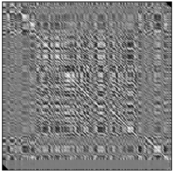
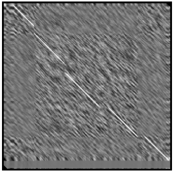
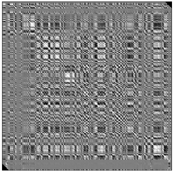
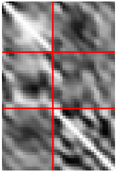
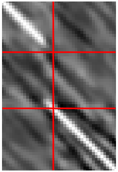
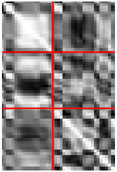
		
		
a good tradeoff	occlusion artefacts	undiscrimiable

- MNCC ρ used ($\alpha = 1.5$, $\beta = 1$)
- high-correlation structures correspond to scene objects

constant disparity

- a diagonal in matching table
- zero disparity is the main diagonal

depth discontinuity

- horizontal or vertical jump in matching table

large image window

- better correlation
- worse occlusion localization

repeated texture

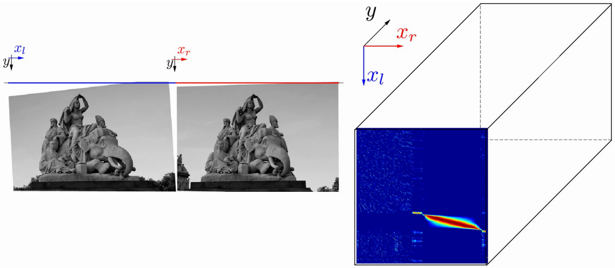
- horizontal and vertical block repetition

Image Point Descriptors And Their Similarity

Descriptors: Image points are tagged by their (viewpoint-invariant) physical properties:

- texture window [Moravec 77]
- a descriptor like DAISY [Tola et al. 2010]
- learned descriptors
- reflectance profile under a moving illuminant
- photometric ratios [Wolff & Angelopoulou 93-94]
- dual photometric stereo [Ikeuchi 87]
- polarization signature
- ...

- similar points are more likely to match
- image similarity values for all 'match candidates' give the 3D matching table



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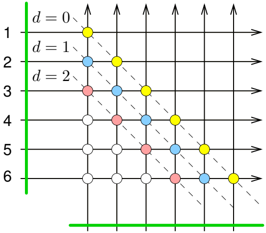
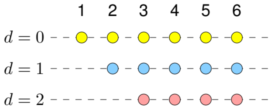
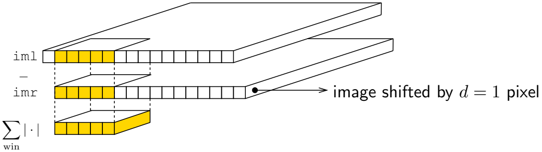
▶Marroquin's Winner Take All (WTA) Matching Algorithm

1. per left-image pixel: find the most similar right-image pixel using SAD →164
2. select disparity range — this is a critical weak point
3. represent the matching table diagonals in a compact form





4. use an 'image sliding & cost aggregation algorithm'



5. threshold results by maximal allowed dissimilarity

A Matlab Code for WTA

```
function dmap = marroquin(iml,imr,disparityRange)
%       iml, imr - rectified gray-scale images
% disparityRange - non-negative disparity range

% (c) Radim Sara (sara@cmp.felk.cvut.cz) FEE CTU Prague, 10 Dec 12

 thr = 20;             % bad match rejection threshold
 r = 2;
 winsize = 2*r+[1 1];  % 5x5 window (neighborhood) for r=2

 % the size of each local patch; it is N=(2r+1)^2 except for boundary pixels
 N = boxing(ones(size(iml)), winsize);

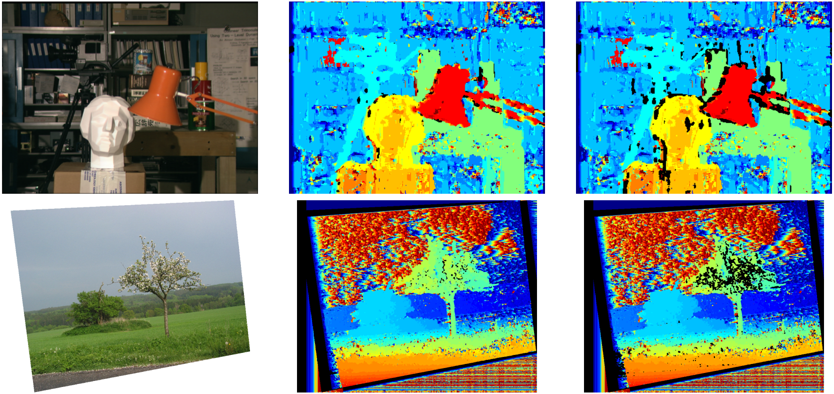
 % computing dissimilarity per pixel (unscaled SAD)
 for d = 0:disparityRange                               % cycle over all disparities
  slice = abs(imr(:,1:end-d) - iml(:,d+1:end));  % pixelwise dissimilarity
  V(:,d+1:end,d+1) = boxing(slice, winsize)./N;  % window aggregation
 end

 % collect winners, threshold, and output disparity map
 [cmap,dmap] = min(V,[],3);
 dmap(cmap > thr) = NaN;    % mask-out high dissimilarity pixels
end % of marroquin

function c = boxing(im, wsz)
 % if the mex is not found, run this slow version:
 c = conv2(ones(1,wsz(1)), ones(wsz(2),1), im, 'same');
end % of boxing
```

WTA: Some Results

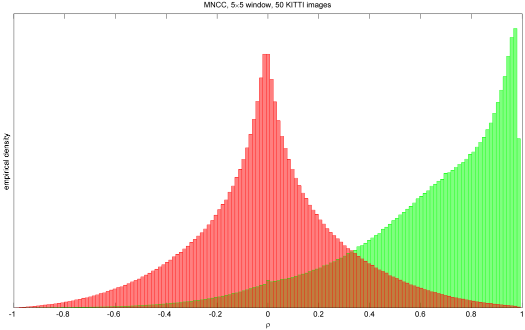
thr = 20 | thr = 10



- results are fairly bad
- false matches in textureless image regions and on repetitive structures (book shelf)
- a more restrictive threshold (thr = 10) does not work as expected
- we searched the true disparity range, results get worse if the range is set wider
- chief failure reasons:
  - unnormalized image dissimilarity does not work well
  - no occlusion model

▶A Principled Approach to Similarity

Empirical Distribution of MNCC ρ for Matches and Non-Matches



- histograms of ρ computed from 5×5 correlation window
- KITTI dataset
  - $4.2 \cdot 10^6$ ground-truth (LiDAR) matches for $p_1(\rho)$ (green),
  - $4.2 \cdot 10^6$ random non-matches for $p_0(\rho)$ (red)

Obs:

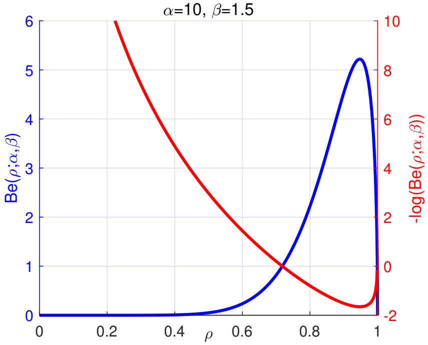
- non-matches (red) may have arbitrarily large ρ
- matches (green) may have arbitrarily low ρ
- $\rho = 1$ is improbable for matches

Match Likelihood

- ρ is just a statistic
- we need a probability distribution on $[0, 1]$, e.g. Beta distribution

$$p_1(\rho) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha,\beta)}\,|\rho|^{\alpha-1}(1-|\rho|)^{\beta-1}$$

- note that uniform distribution is obtained for $\alpha = \beta = 1$
- when $\alpha = 2$ and $\beta = 1$ then $p_1(\cdot) = 2|\rho|$



- the mode is at $\sqrt{\frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha+\beta-2}} \approx 0.9733$ for $\alpha = 10,\ \beta = 1.5$
- if we chose $\beta = 1$ then the mode was at $\rho = 1$
- perfect similarity is 'suspicious' (depends on expected camera noise level)
- from now on we will work with negative log-likelihood

$$V_1\big(\rho(l,r)\big) = -\log p_1\big(\rho(l,r)\big) \qquad (35)$$

smaller is better

- we may also define similarity (and negative log-likelihood $V_0(\rho(l,r))$) for non-matches

►A Principled Approach to Matching

- given matching M what is the likelihood of observed data D?
- data – all pairwise costs in matching table T
- matches – pairs $p_i = (l_i, r_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, n$
- matching: partitioning matching table T to matched M and excluded E pairs

$$T = M \cup E, \quad M \cap E = \emptyset$$

- matching cost (negative log-likelihood, smaller is better)

$$V(D \mid M) = \sum_{p \in M} V_1(D \mid p) + \sum_{p \in E} V_0(D \mid p)$$

$V_1(D \mid p)$ – negative log-probability of data D at matched pixel p (35)
$V_0(D \mid p)$ – ditto at unmatched pixel p →170 and →171

- matching problem

$$M^* = \arg \min_{M \in \mathcal{M}(T)} V(D \mid M)$$

$\mathcal{M}(T)$ – the set of all matchings in table T

- symmetric: formulated over pairs, invariant to left ↔ right image swap

►(cont'd) Log-Likelihood Ratio

- we need to reduce matching to a standard polynomial-complexity problem
- we convert the matching cost to an 'easier' sum

$$V(D \mid M) = \sum_{p \in M} V_1(D \mid p) + \sum_{p \in E} V_0(D \mid p) \quad + \overbrace{\sum_{p \in M} V_0(D \mid p) - \sum_{p \in M} V_0(D \mid p)}^{0}$$

$$= \sum_{p \in M} \underbrace{\Big(V_1(D \mid p) - V_0(D \mid p)\Big)}_{-L(D \mid p)} + \underbrace{\sum_{p \in E} V_0(D \mid p) + \sum_{p \in M} V_0(D \mid p)}_{\sum_{p \in T} V_0(D \mid p) = \text{const}}$$

- hence

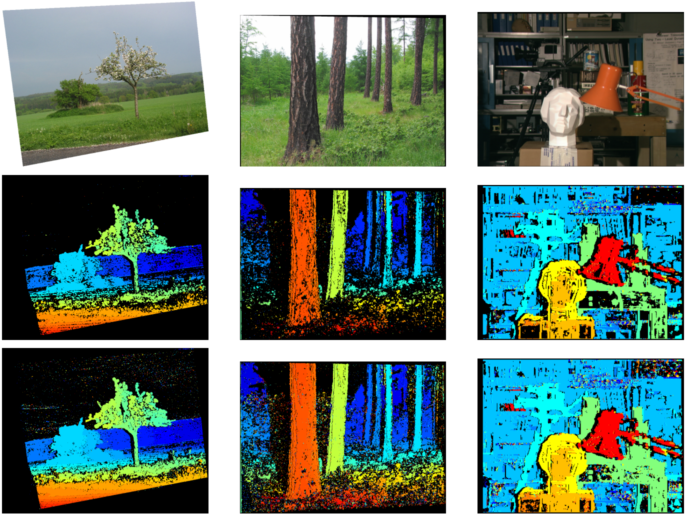
$$\arg \min_{M \in \mathcal{M}(T)} V(D \mid M) = \arg \max_{M \in \mathcal{M}(T)} \sum_{p \in M} L(D \mid p) \qquad (36)$$

$L(D \mid p)$ – logarithm of matched-to-unmatched likelihood ratio (bigger is better)

why this way: we want to use maximum-likelihood but our measurement is all data D

- (36) is max-cost matching (maximum assignment) for the maximum-likelihood (ML) matching problem
  - it must contain no pairs p with $L(D \mid p) < 0$
  - use Hungarian (Munkres) algorithm and threshold the result based on $L(D \mid p) > T$
  - or step back: sacrifice symmetry to speed and use dynamic programming

Some Results for the Maximum-Likelihood (ML) Matching



- unlike the WTA we can efficiently control the density/accuracy tradeoff black = no match
- middle row: threshold T for $L(D \mid p)$ set to achieve error rate of 3% (and 61% density results)
- bottom row: threshold T set to achieve density of 76% (and 4.3% error rate results)

▶Basic Stereoscopic Matching Models

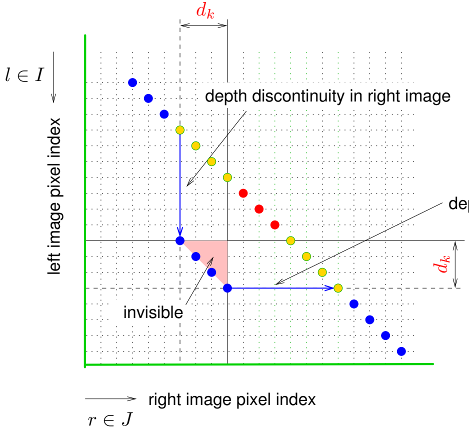
- notice many small isolated errors in the ML matching
- we need a stronger model

Potential models for M (from weaker to stronger)

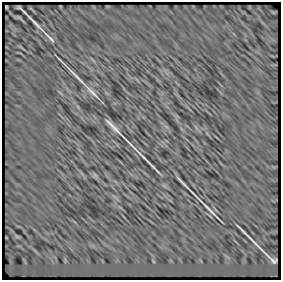
1. Uniqueness: Every image point matches at most once
   - excludes semi-transparent objects
   - used by the ML matching algorithm (but not by the WTA algorithm)
2. Monotonicity: Matched pixel ordering is preserved
   - For all $(i, j) \in M, (k, l) \in M, \quad k > i \Rightarrow l > j$

     Notation: $(i, j) \in M$ or $j = M(i)$ – left-image pixel i matches right-image pixel j
   - excludes thin objects close to the cameras
   - used by 3LDP [SP]
3. Coherence: Objects occupy well-defined 3D volumes
   - concept by [Prazdny 85]
   - algorithms are based on image/disparity map segmentation
   - a popular model (segment-based, bilateral filtering and their successors)
   - used by Stable Segmented 3LDP [Aksoy et al. PRRS 2008]
4. Continuity: There are no occlusions or self-occlusions
   - too strong, except in some applications

Understanding Occlusion Structure in Matching Table



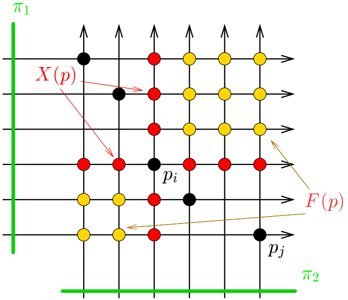
- binocularly visible foreground points
- binocularly visible background pts violating ordering
- monocularly visible points
- d_k critical disparity



- this leads to the concept of 'forbidden zone'

▸Formally: Uniqueness and Ordering in Matching Table T

X-zone and F-zone



$p_j \notin X(p_i), \quad p_j \notin F(p_i)$

- **Uniqueness Constraint:**

  A set of pairs $M = \{p_i\}_{i=1}^{n}$, $p_i \in T$ is a matching iff
  $\forall p_i, p_j \in M : \; p_j \notin X(p_i)$.

  X-zone, $p_i \notin X(p_i)$

- **Ordering Constraint:**

  Matching M is monotonic iff
  $\forall p_i, p_j \in M : \; p_j \notin F(p_i)$.

  F-zone, $p_i \notin F(p_i)$

- ordering constraint: matched points form a monotonic set in both images
- ordering is a powerful constraint: in $n \times n$ table we have monotonic matchings $O(4^n) \ll O(n!)$ all matchings

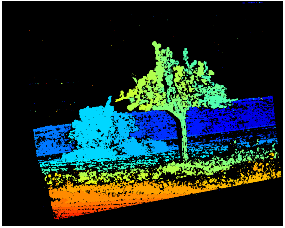
⊛ 2: how many are there maximal monotonic matchings? (e.g. 27 for $n = 4$; hard!)

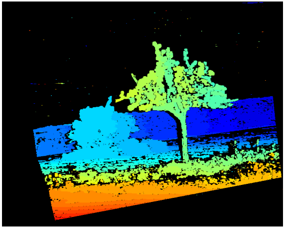
- uniqueness constraint is a basic occlusion model
- ordering constraint is a weak continuity model   and partly also an occlusion model
- monotonic matching can be found by **dynamic programming**

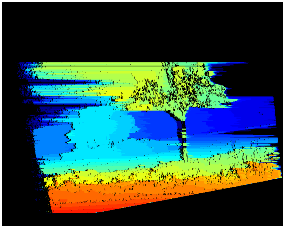
Some Results: AppleTree

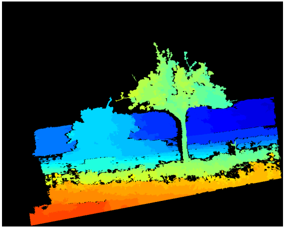

left image


right image


ML →173


3LDP w/ordering
[SP]


naïve DP
[Cox et al. 1992]

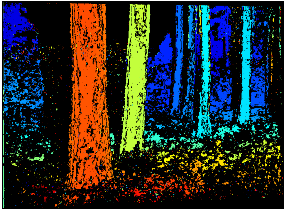

Stable Segmented 3LDP
[Aksoy et al. PRRS 2008]

- 3LDP parameters α_i, V_e learned on Middlebury stereo data http://vision.middlebury.edu/stereo/

Some Results: Larch

left image

right image



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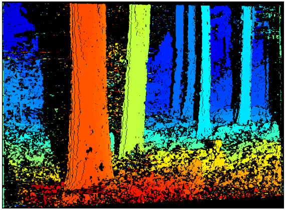

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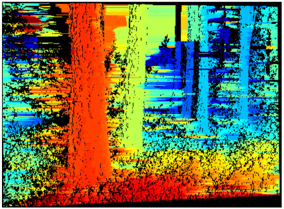

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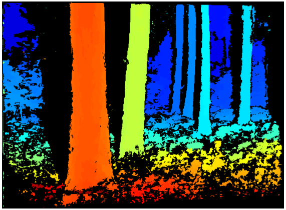


Stable Segmented 3LDP

- naïve DP does not model mutual occlusion
- but even 3LDP has errors in mutually occluded region
- Stable Segmented 3LDP has few errors in mutually occluded region since it uses a coherence model

Algorithm Comparison

Marroquin's Winner-Take-All (WTA →167)

- the ur-algorithm — very weak model
- dense disparity map
- $O(N^3)$ algorithm, simple but it rarely works

Maximum Likelihood Matching (ML →173)

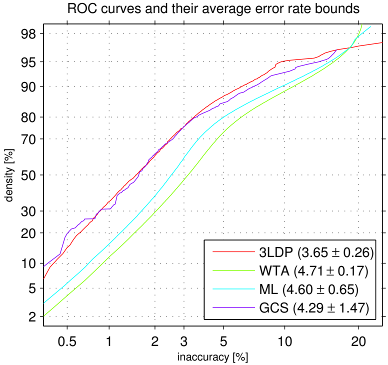
- semi-dense disparity map
- many small isolated errors
- models basic occlusion
- $O(N^3 \log(NV))$ algorithm — max-flow by cost scaling

MAP with Min-Cost Labeled Path (3LDP)

- semi-dense disparity map
- models occlusion in flat, piecewise continuos scenes
- has 'illusions' if ordering does not hold
- $O(N^3)$ algorithm

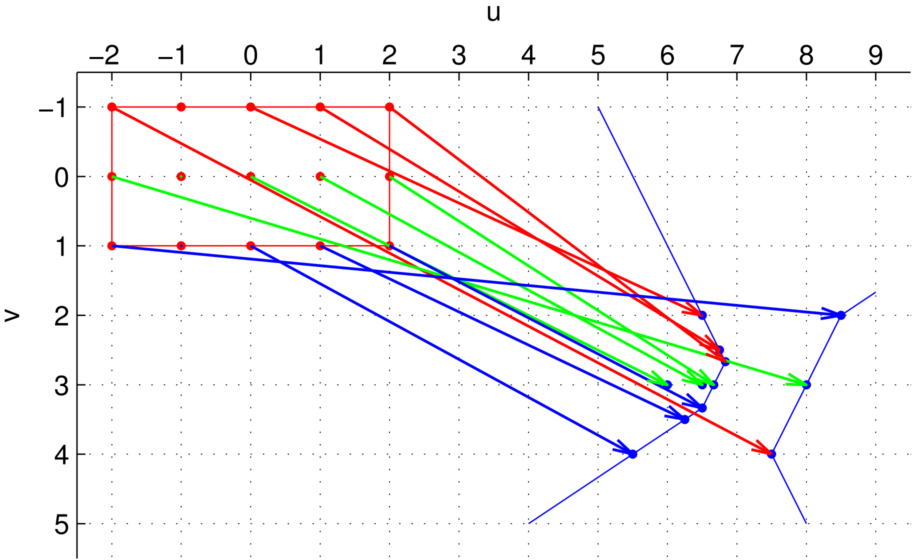
Stable Segmented 3LDP

- better (fewer errors at any given density)
- $O(N^3 \log N)$ algorithm
- requires image segmentation — itself a difficult task



- ROC-like curve captures the density/accuracy tradeoff
- numbers: AUC (smaller is better)
- GCS is the one used in the exercises
- more algorithms at `http://vision.middlebury.edu/stereo/` (good luck!)

Thank You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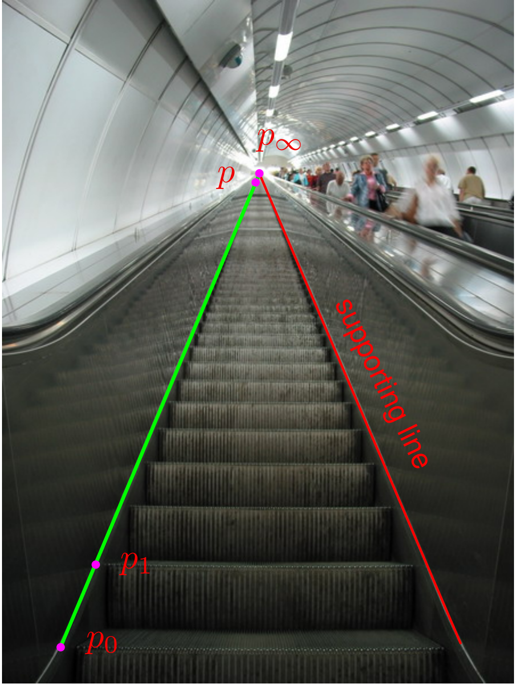
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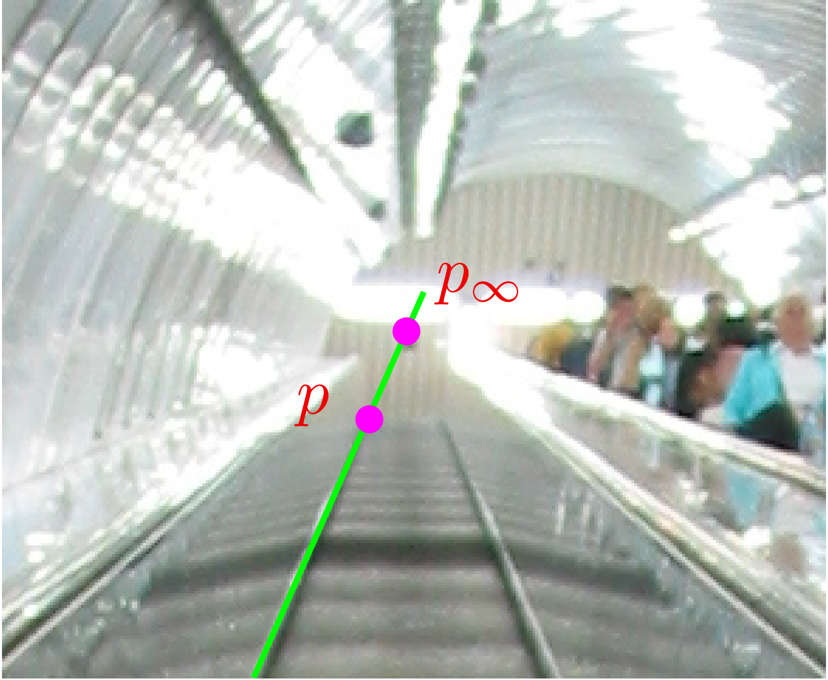
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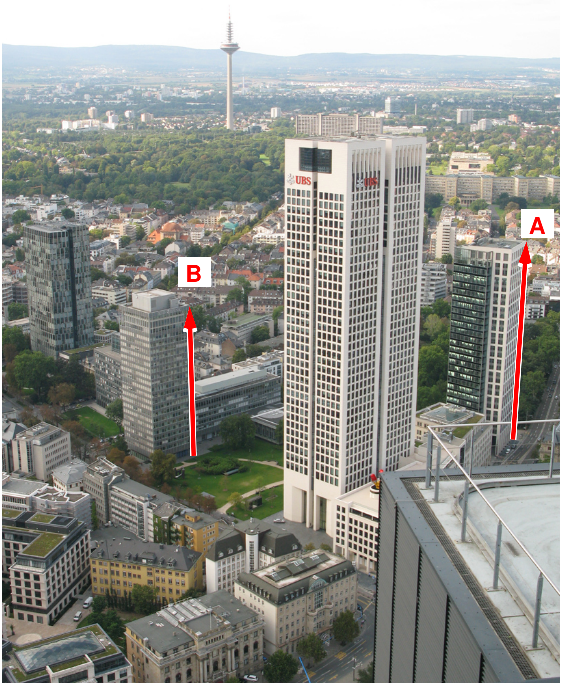
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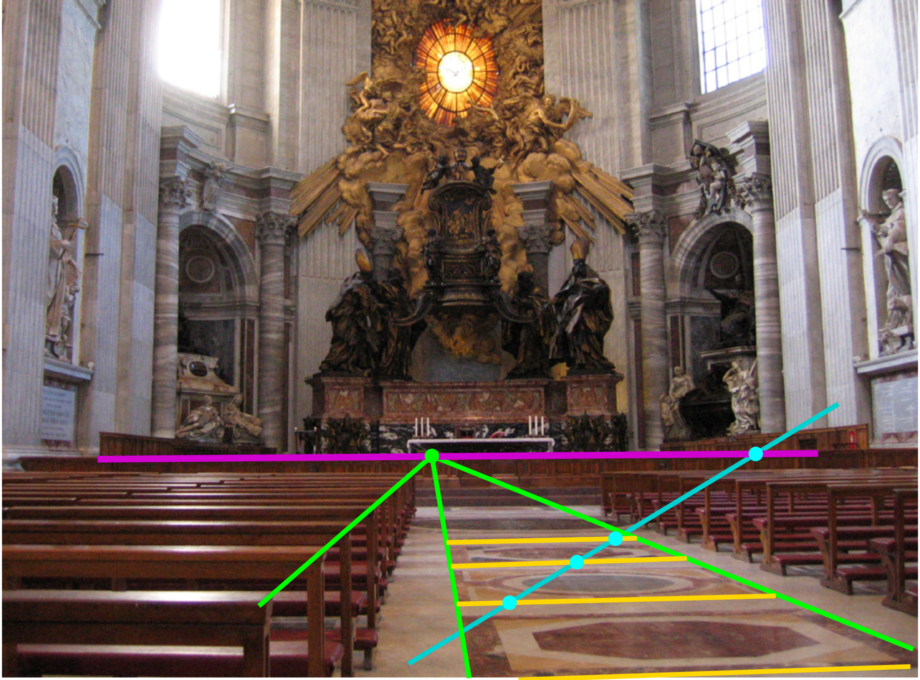


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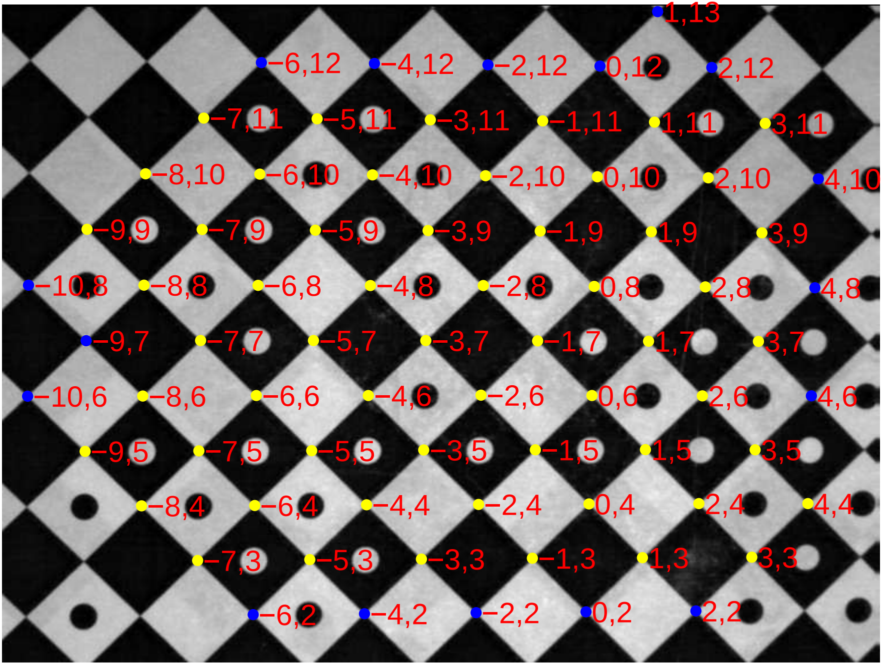

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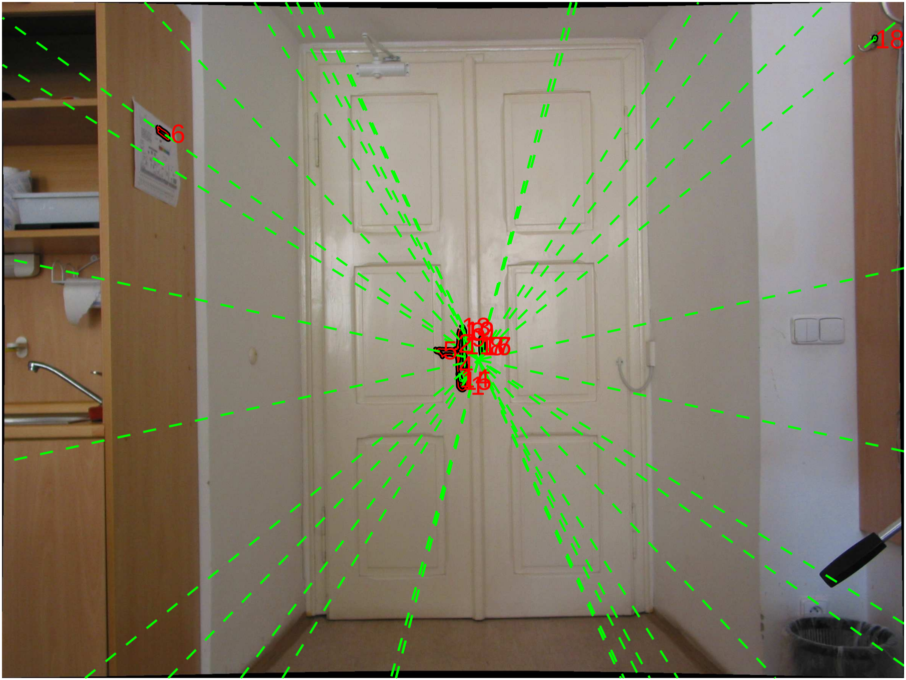
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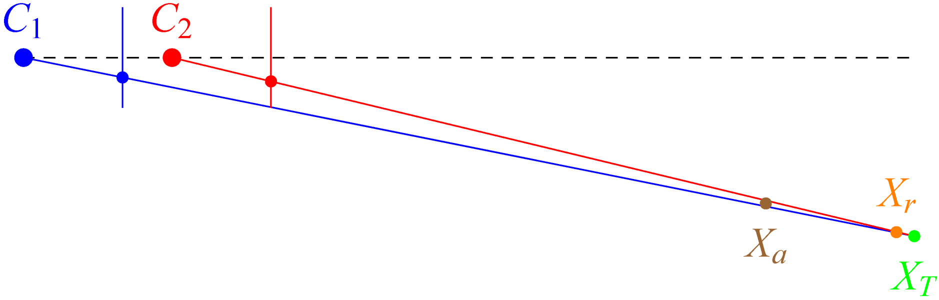

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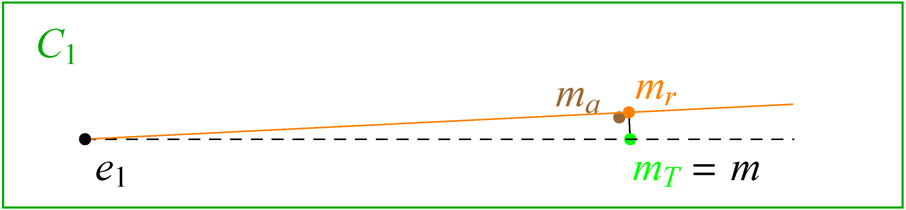
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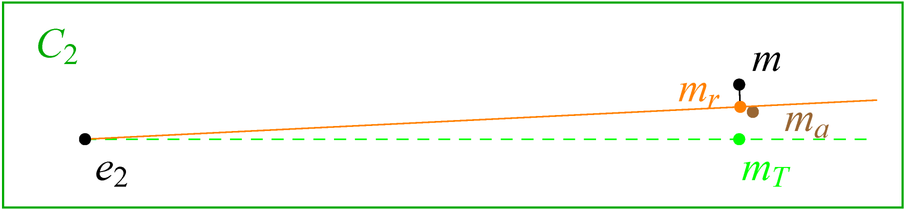

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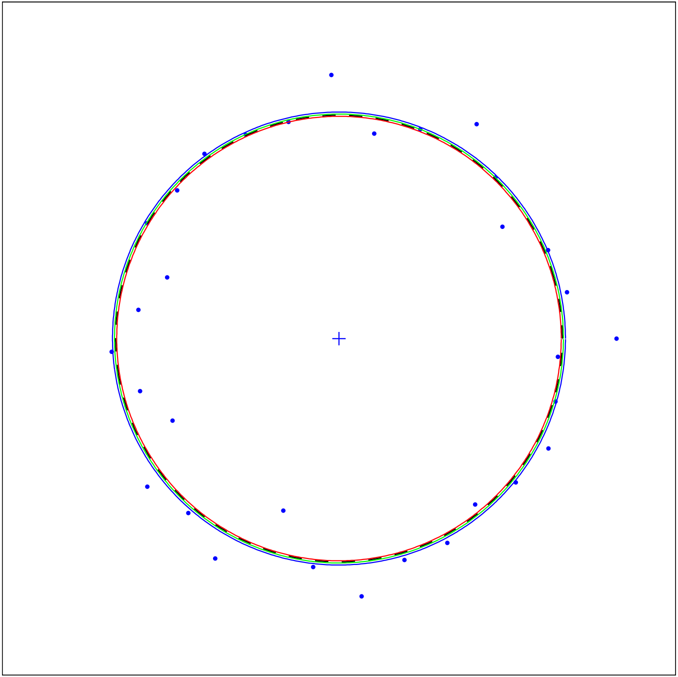

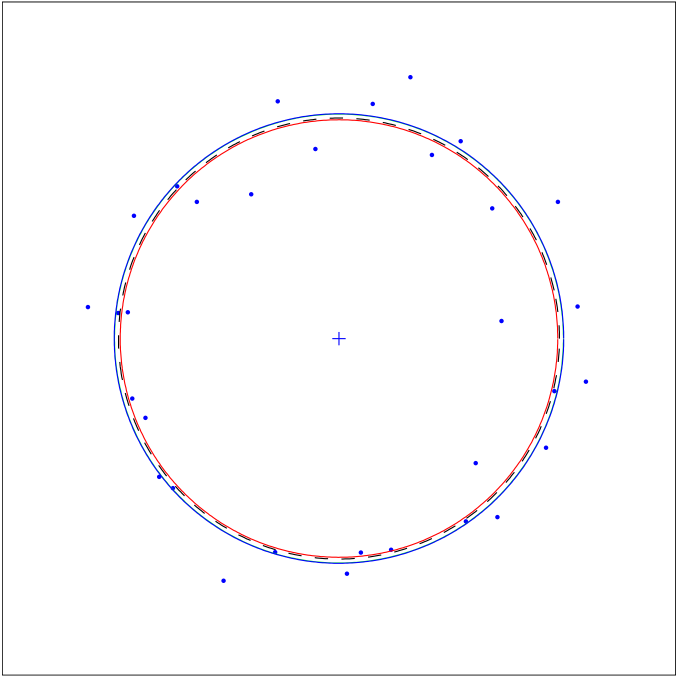

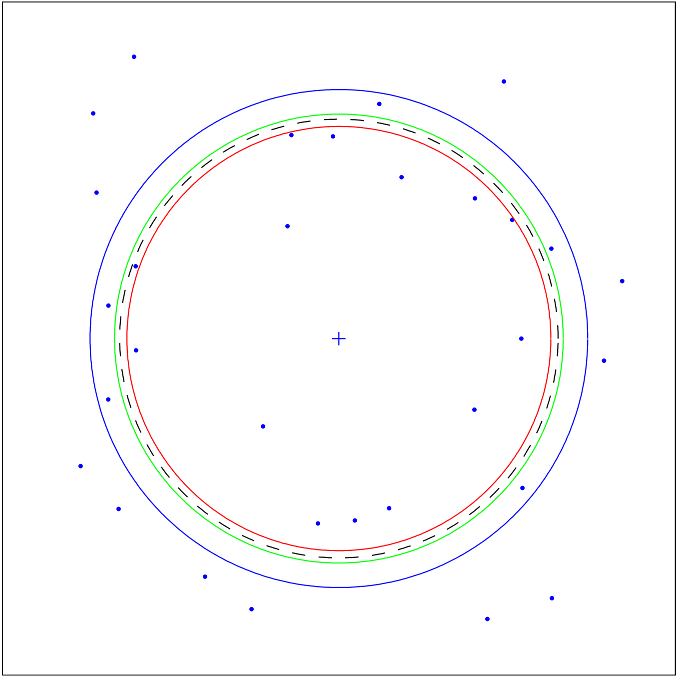

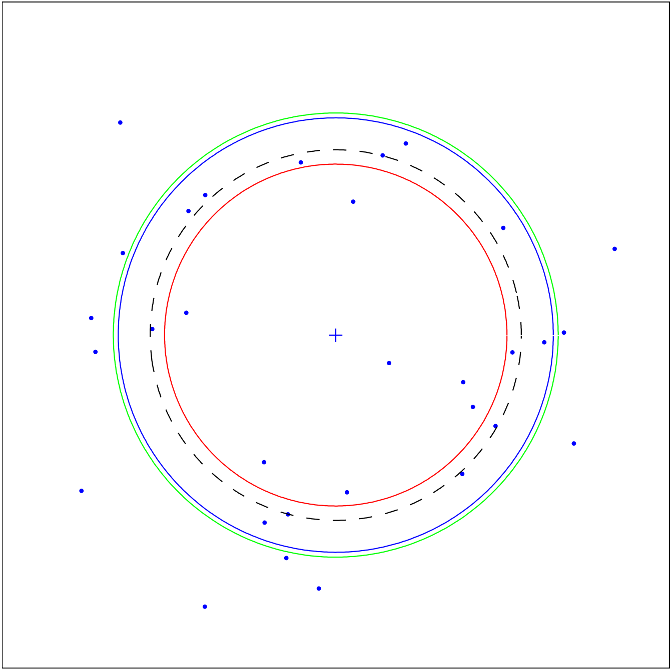

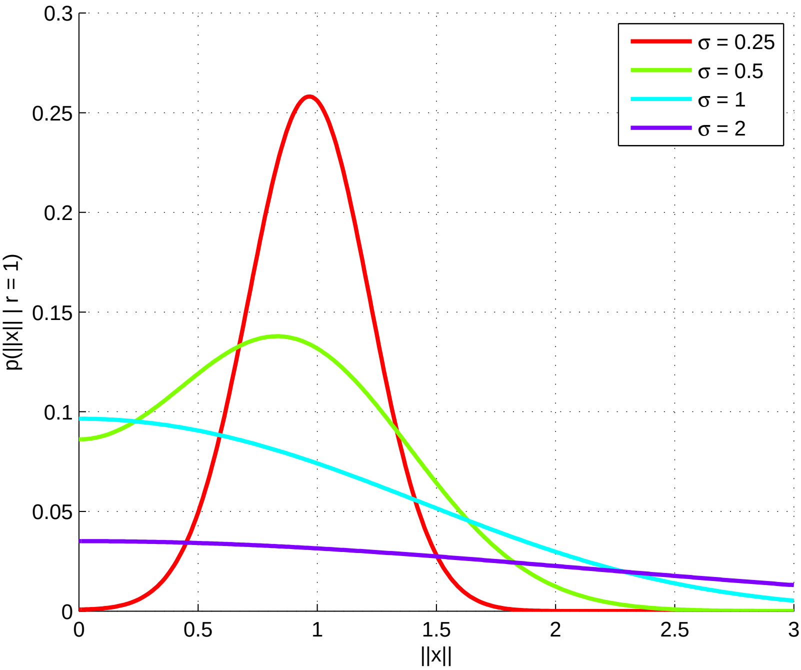
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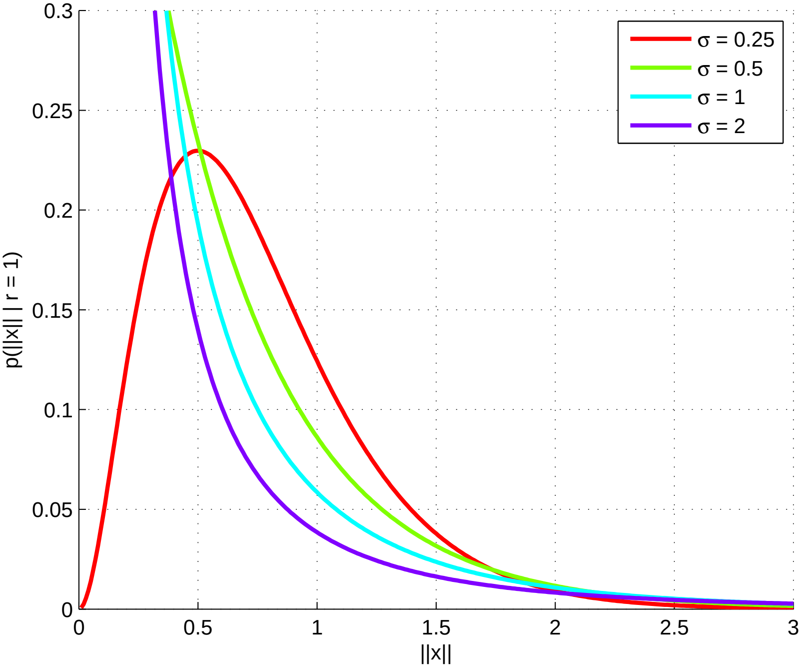
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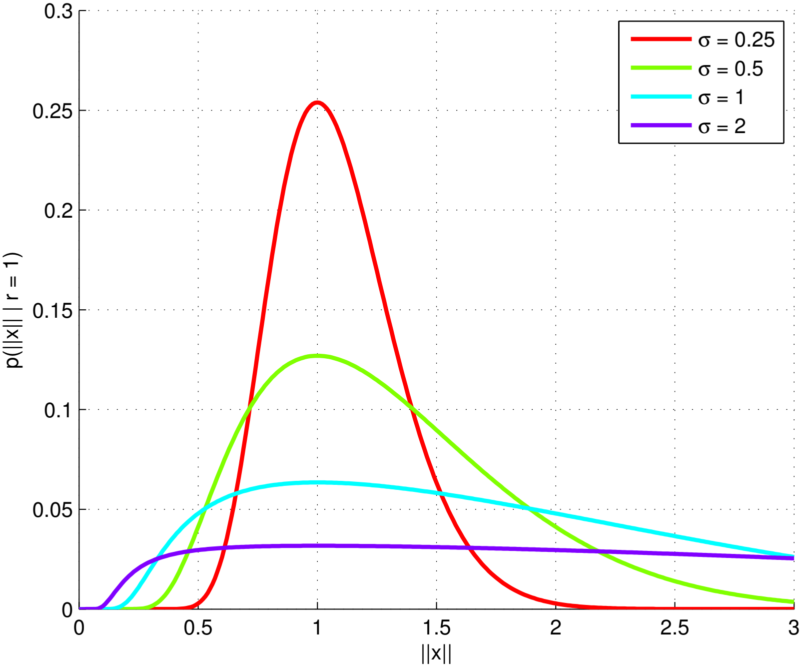
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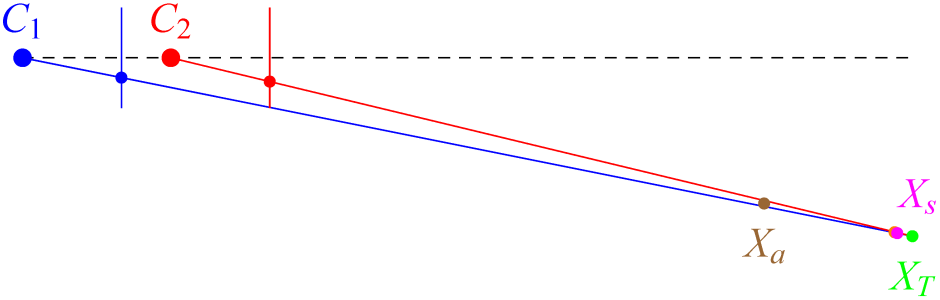
C_1
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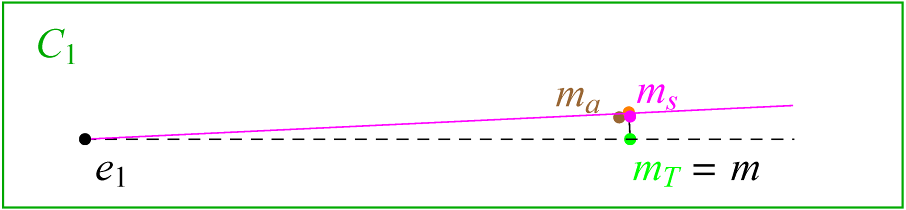
X_T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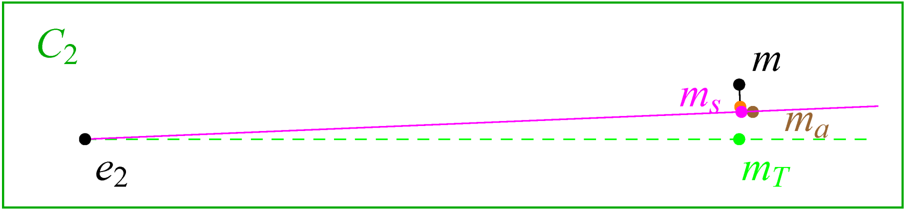
m_a
m_s
e_1
$m_T = m$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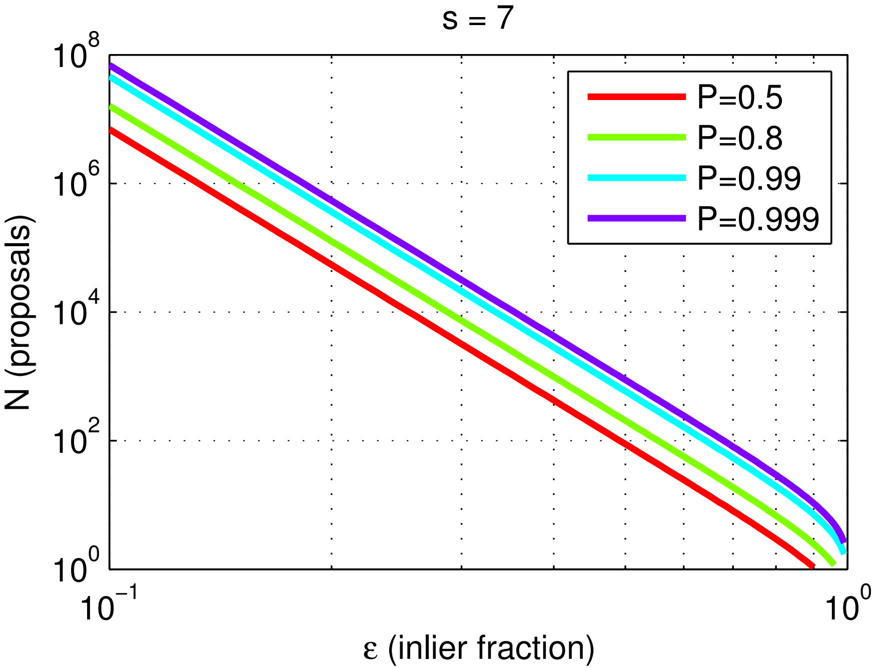
e_2
m_T



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P=0.99
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10^6
10^4
10^2
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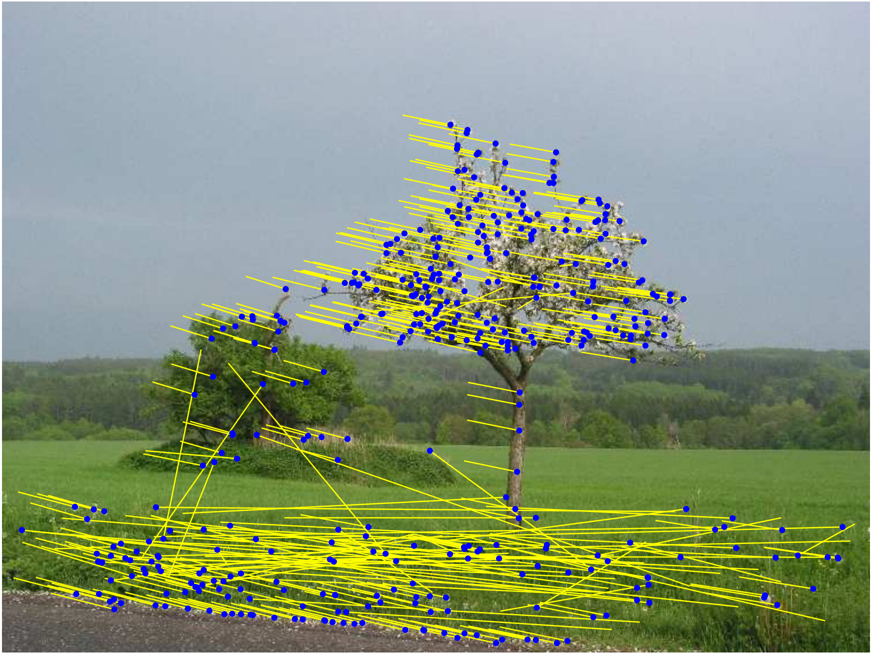
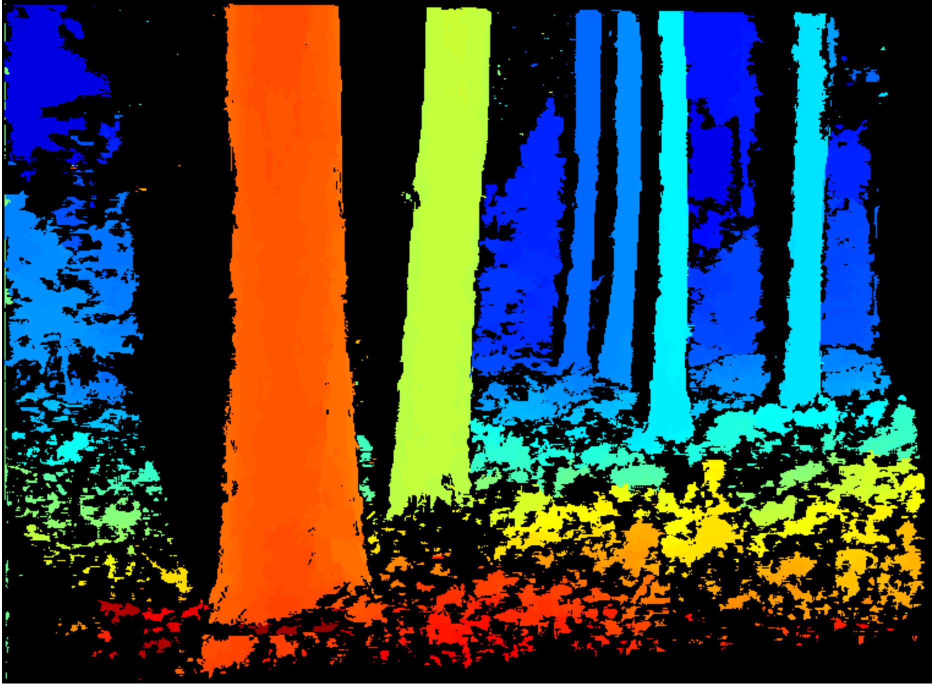
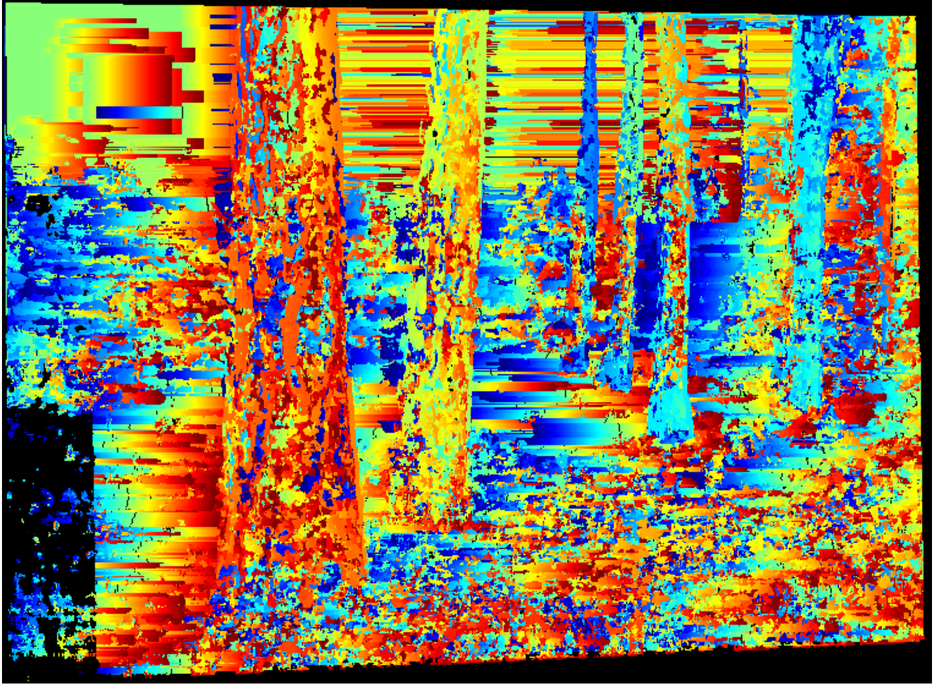
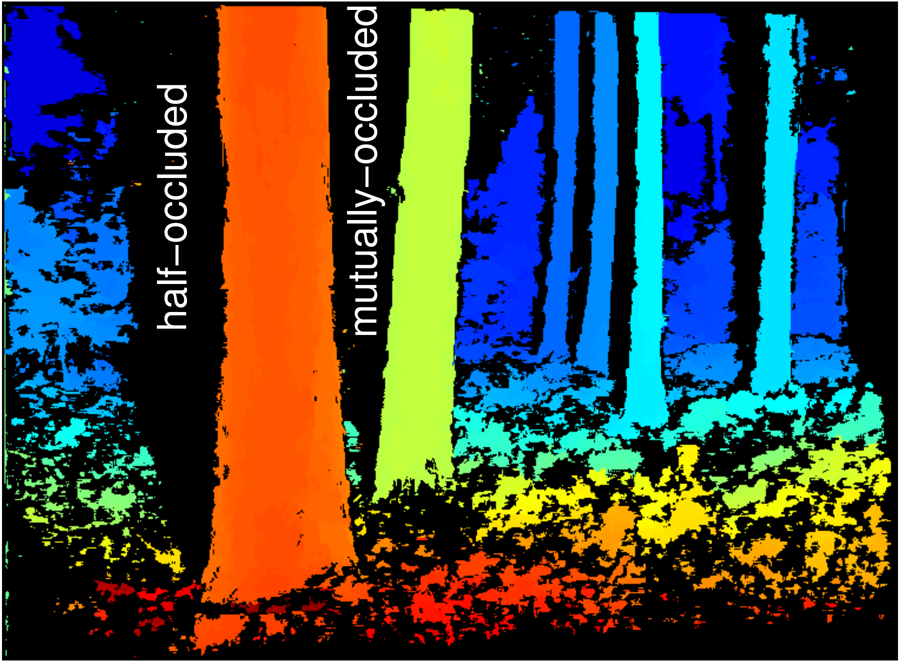
N (proposals)
10^{-1}
10^0
ε (inlier fraction)





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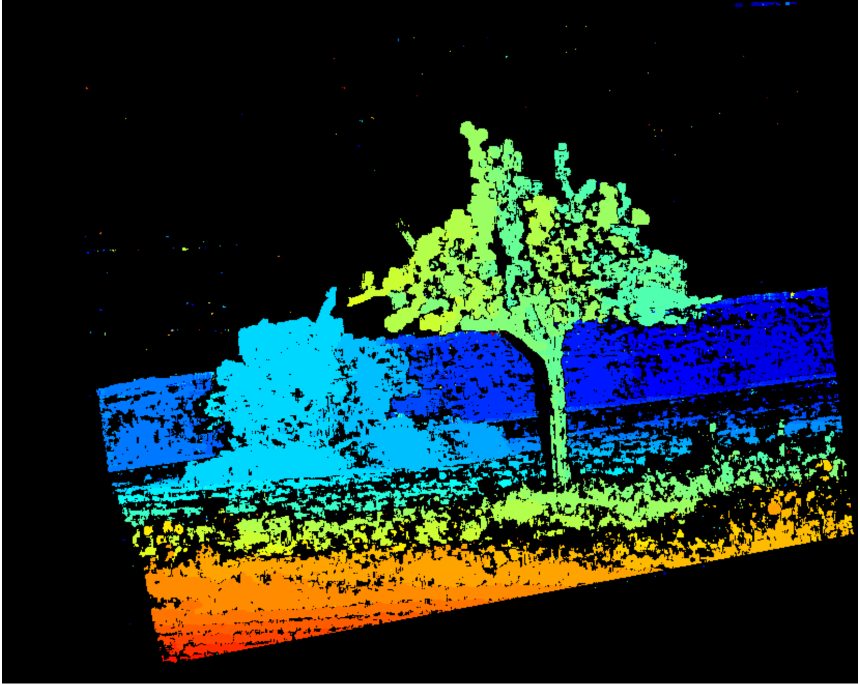

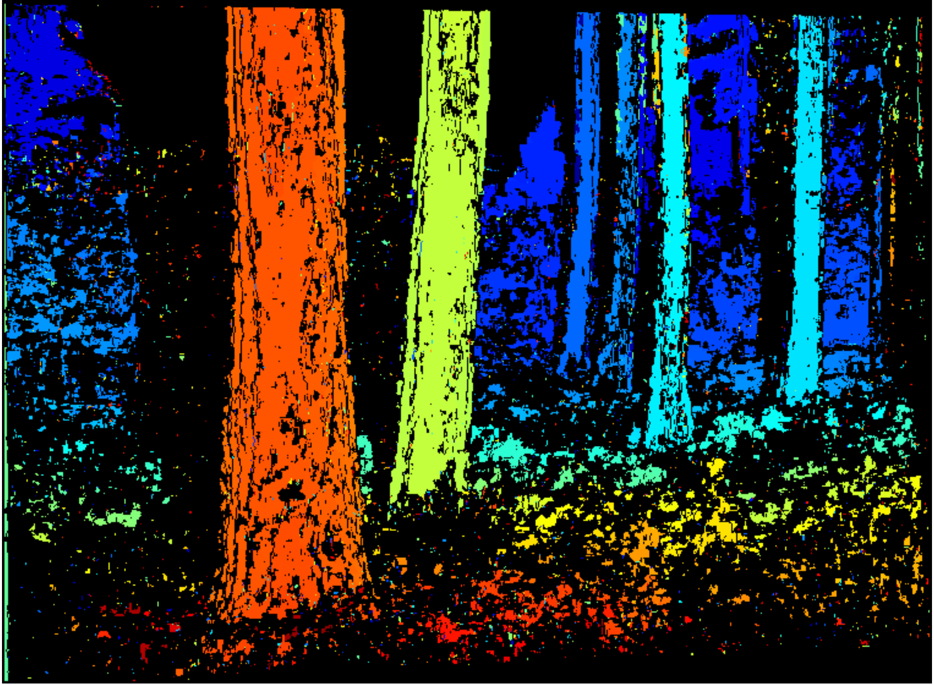

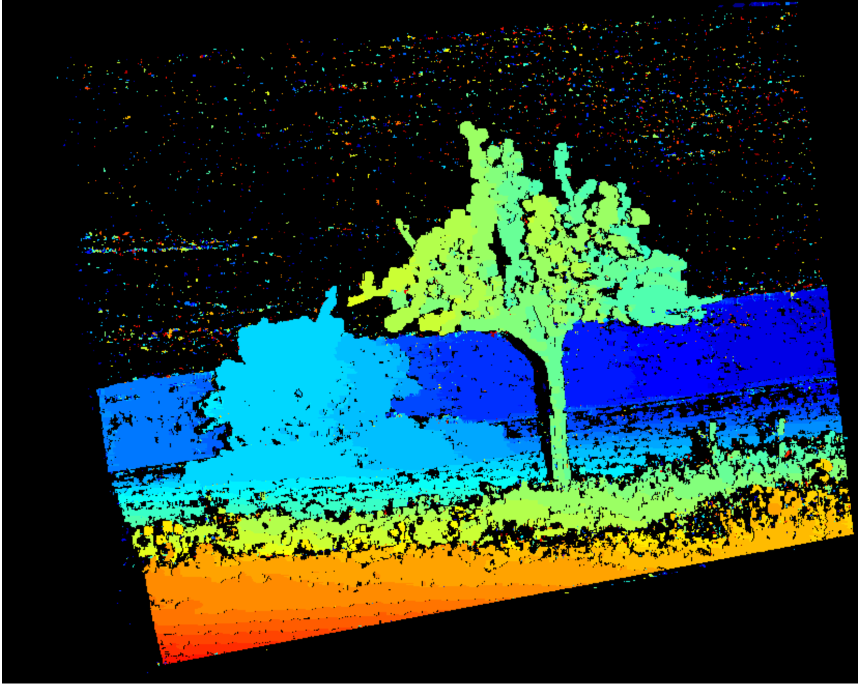

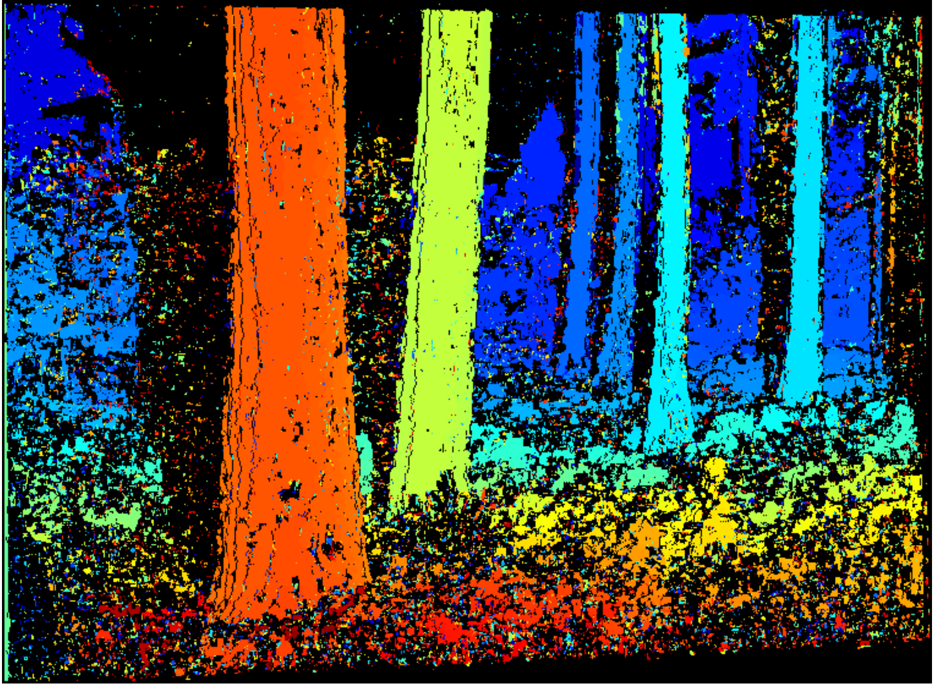

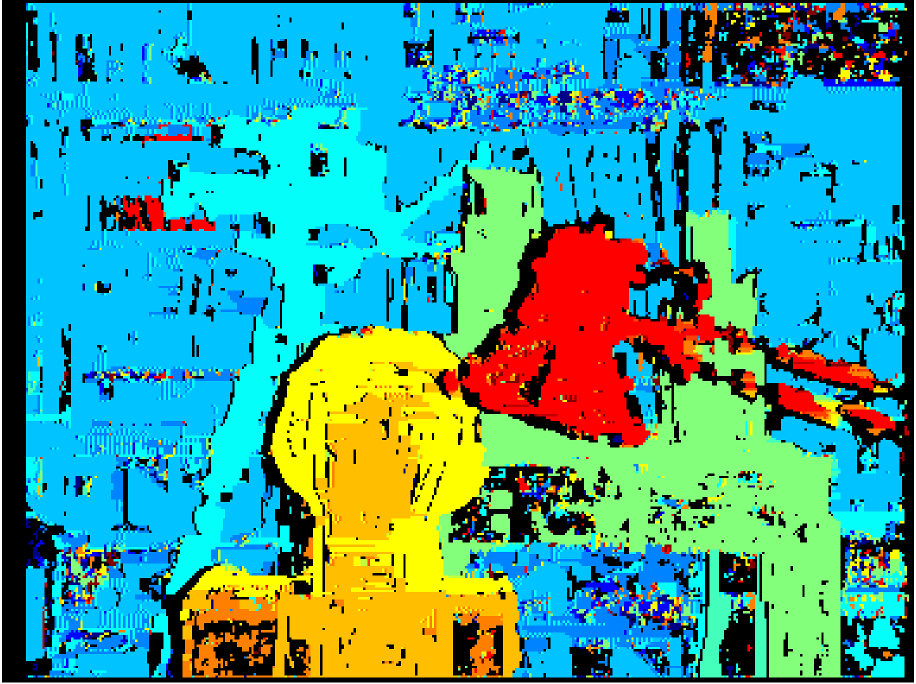

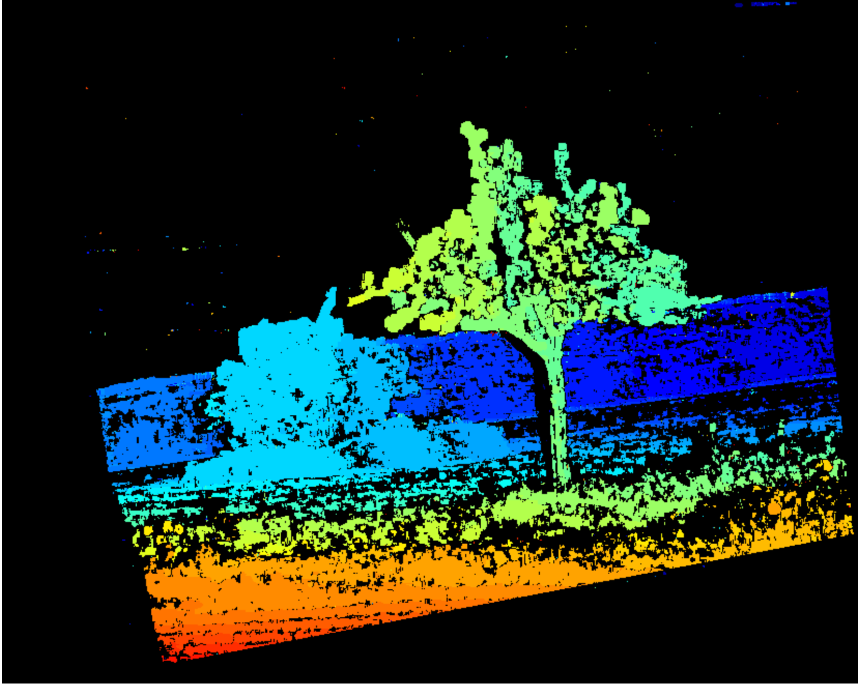

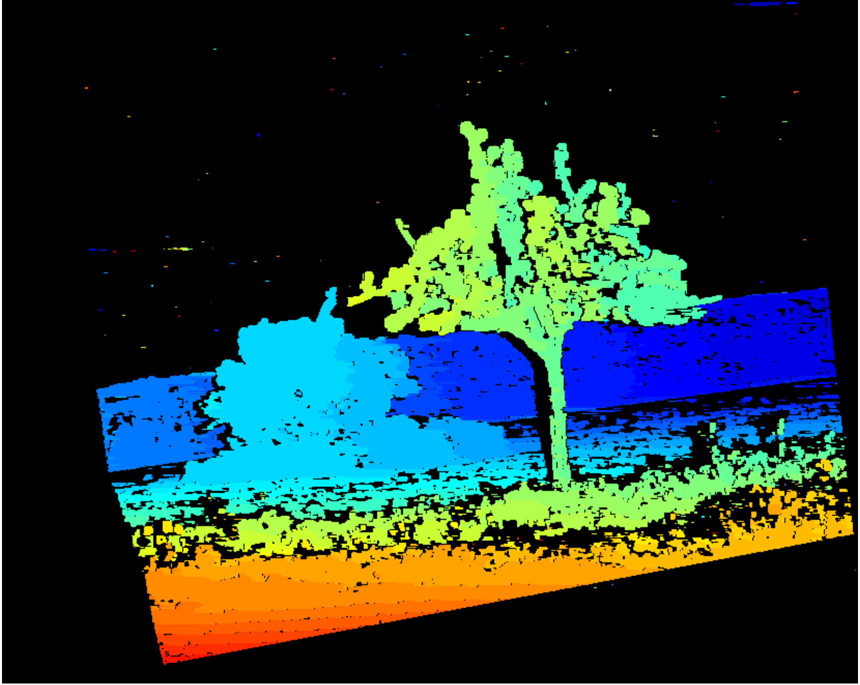

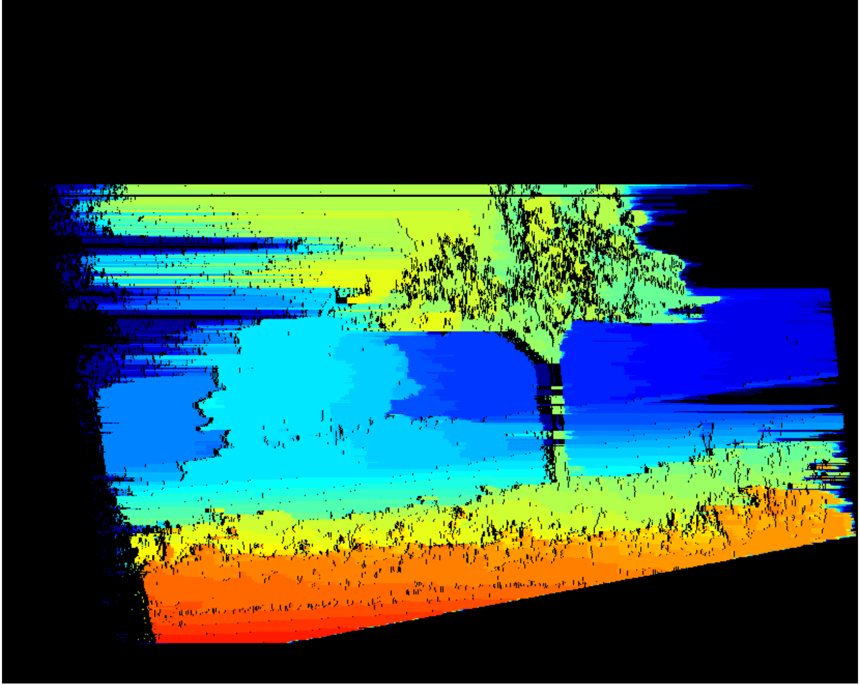

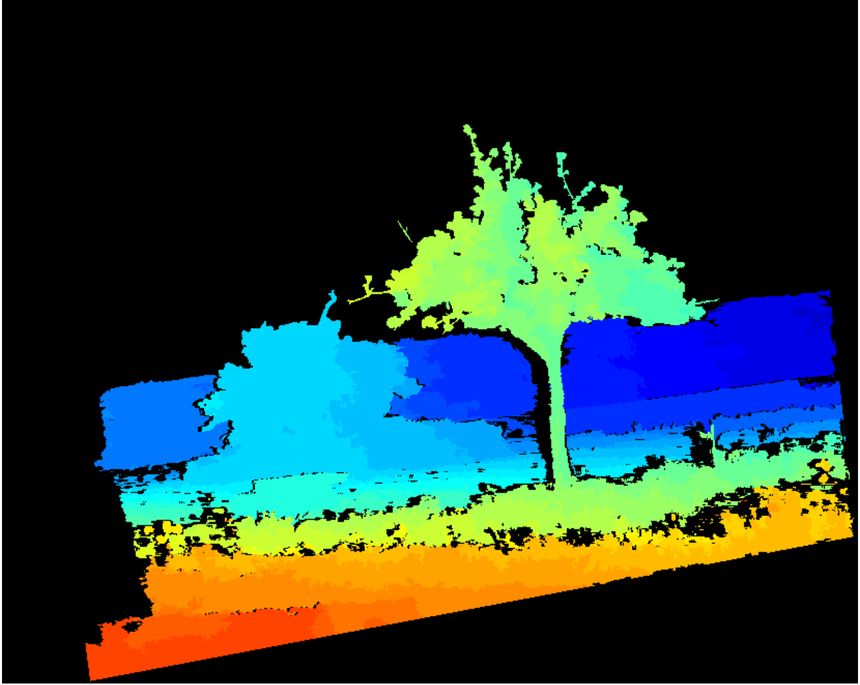

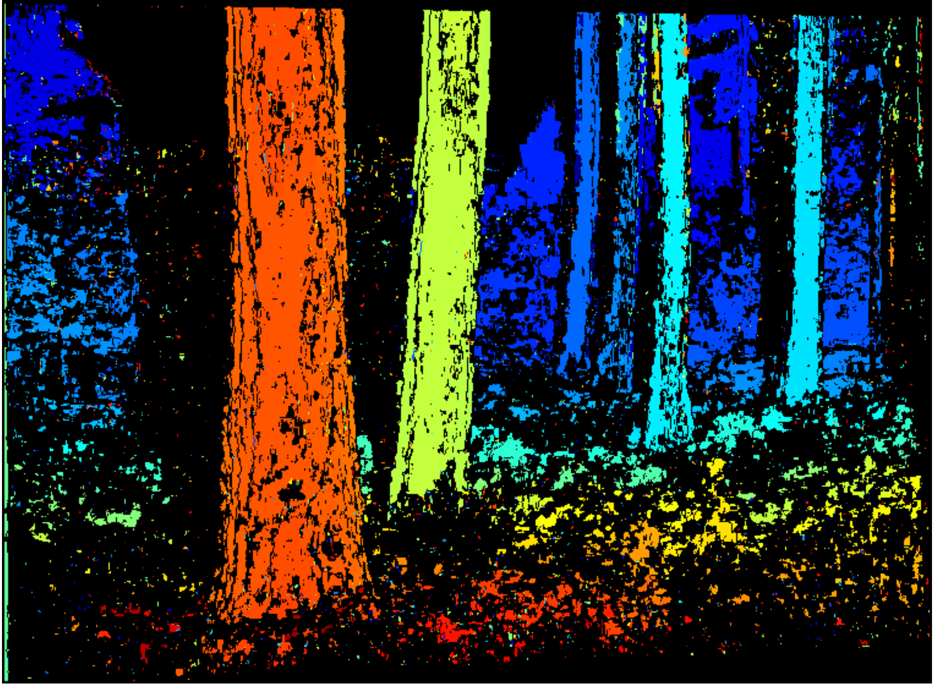

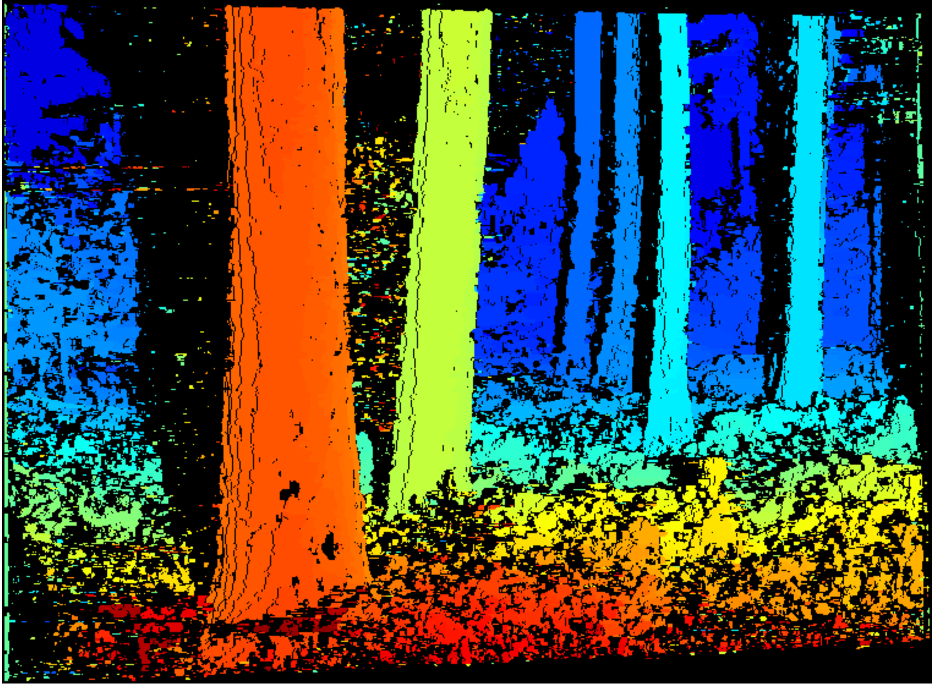

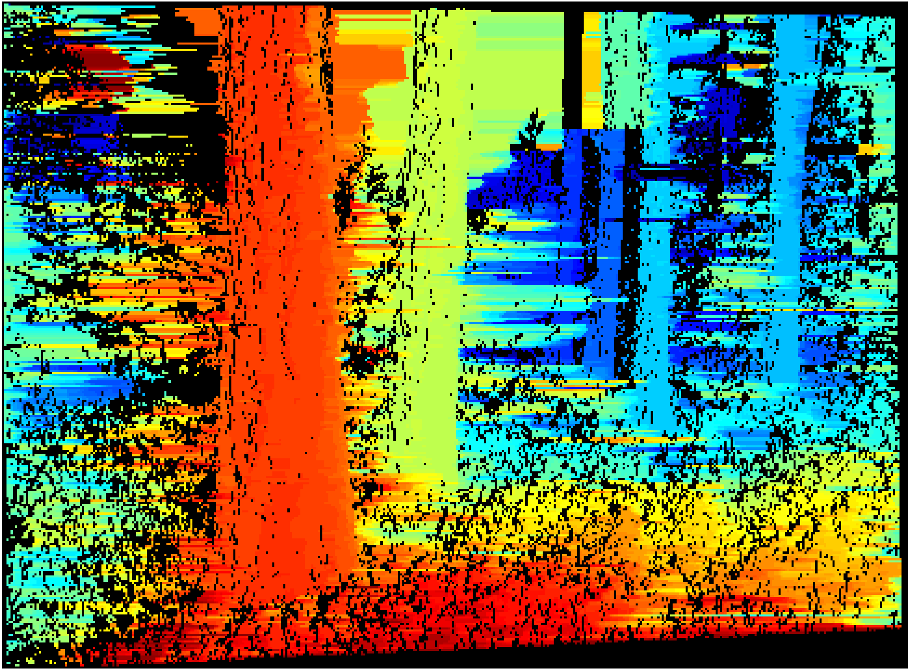

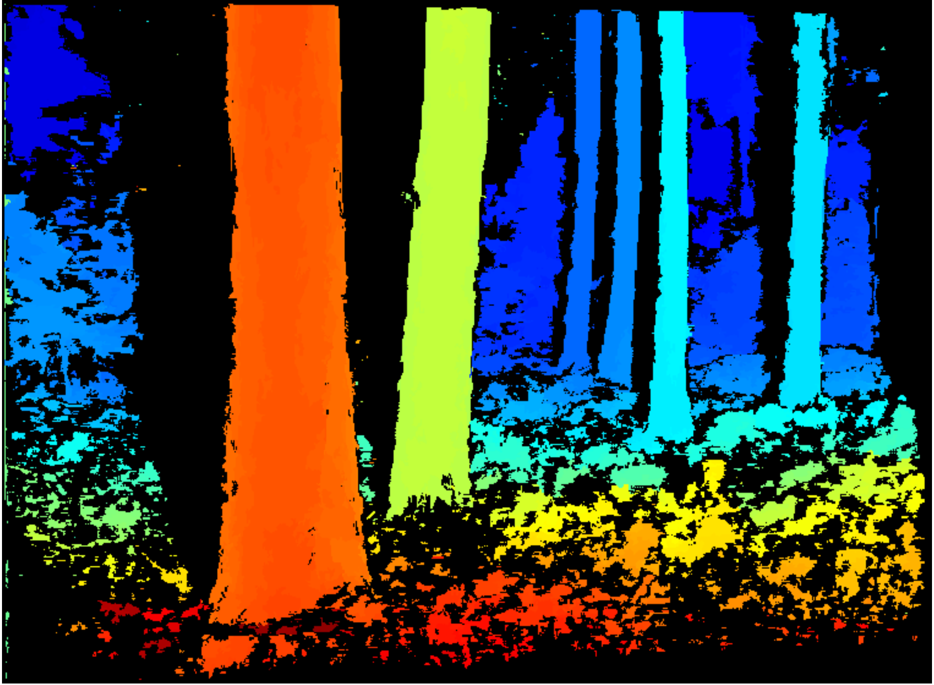

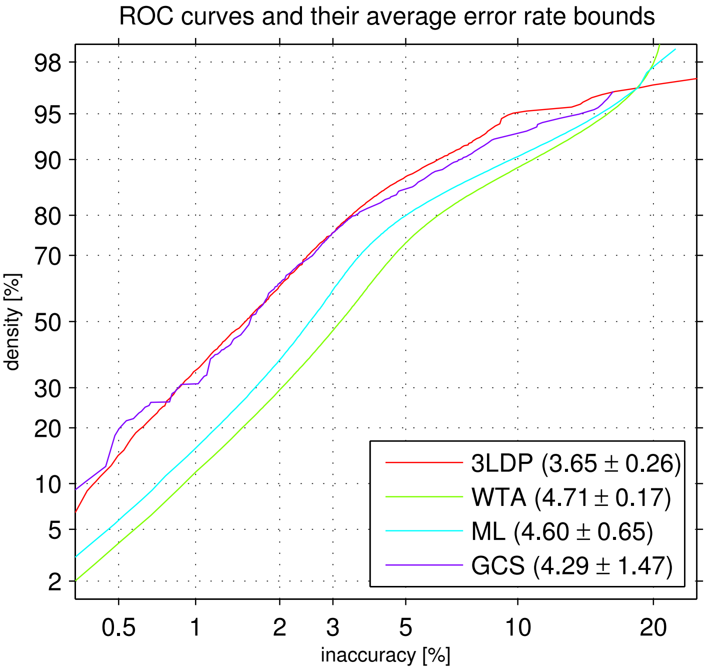
ROC curves and their average error rate bounds
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80
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2
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0.5
1
2
3
5
10
20
inaccuracy [%]
3LDP (3.65 ± 0.26)
WTA (4.71 ± 0.17)
ML (4.60 ± 0.65)
GCS (4.29 ± 1.47)