

3D Computer Vision

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► Three-Point Exterior Orientation Problem (P3P)

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

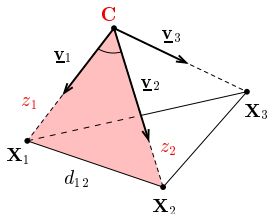
Problem: Given \mathbf{K} and three corresponding pairs $\{(m_i, X_i)\}_{i=1}^3$, find \mathbf{R} , \mathbf{C} by solving

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

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

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

2. If there was no rotation in (10), the situation would look like this



3. and we could shoot 3 lines from the given points \mathbf{X}_i in given directions $\underline{\mathbf{v}}_i$ to get \mathbf{C}
4. given \mathbf{C} we solve (10) for λ_i , \mathbf{R}

►P3P cont'd

If there is rotation \mathbf{R}

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

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

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

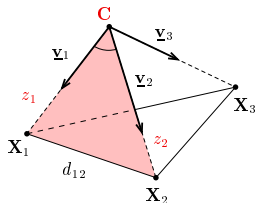
$$d_{ij}^2 = z_i^2 + z_j^2 - 2 z_i z_j c_{ij},$$

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

4. Solve the system of 3 quadratic eqs in 3 unknowns z_i
[Fischler & Bolles, 1981]

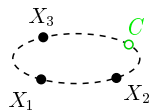
there may be no real root; there are up to 4 solutions that cannot be ignored
(verify on additional points)

5. Compute \mathbf{C} by trilateration (3-sphere intersection) from \mathbf{X}_i and z_i ; then λ_i from (11)
6. Compute \mathbf{R} from (10) we will solve this problem next $\rightarrow 70$



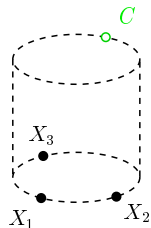
Similar problems (P4P with unknown f) at <http://aag.ciirc.cvut.cz/minimal/> (papers, code)

Degenerate (Critical) Configurations for Exterior Orientation



no solution

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



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 points on a line

- additional critical configurations depend on the quadratic equations solver

[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 $\{(X_i, m_i)\}_{i=1}^6$	P	→62
exterior orientation	K , 3 world–img correspondences $\{(X_i, m_i)\}_{i=1}^3$	R, C	→66
relative orientation	3 world–world correspondences $\{(X_i, Y_i)\}_{i=1}^3$	R, t	→70

- 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) it is a recurring problem in 3D vision
- more problems to come

► The Relative Orientation Problem

Problem: Given point triples (X_1, X_2, X_3) and (Y_1, Y_2, Y_3) in a general position in \mathbf{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
- merging partial reconstructions from different viewpoints
- generalization of the last step of P3P

Obs: Let the centroid be $\bar{\mathbf{X}} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_i \mathbf{X}_i$ 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

$$\mathbf{R}^* = [\mathbf{W}_1 \quad \mathbf{W}_2 \quad \mathbf{W}_3]^{-1} [\mathbf{Z}_1 \quad \mathbf{Z}_2 \quad \mathbf{Z}_3]$$

Poor man's solver:

- normalize $\mathbf{W}_i, \mathbf{Z}_i$ to unit length and then use the above formula
- but this is equivalent to a non-optimal objective

it ignores errors in vector lengths

An Optimal Algorithm for Relative Orientation

We setup a minimization problem

$$\mathbf{R}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_{i=1}^3 \|\mathbf{z}_i - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w}_i\|^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}, \quad \det \mathbf{R} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \min_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_i \|\mathbf{z}_i - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w}_i\|^2 &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_i \left(\|\mathbf{z}_i\|^2 - 2\mathbf{z}_i^\top \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w}_i + \|\mathbf{w}_i\|^2 \right) = \dots \\ &\dots = \arg \max_{\mathbf{R}} \sum_i \mathbf{z}_i^\top \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w}_i \end{aligned}$$

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

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

Obs 2: (cyclic property for matrix trace)

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{ABC}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{CAB})$$

Obs 3: ($\mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{w}_i$ are vectors)

$$\mathbf{z}_i^\top \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w}_i = \text{tr}(\mathbf{z}_i^\top \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w}_i) \stackrel{\text{O2}}{=} \text{tr}(\mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{z}_i^\top \mathbf{R}) \stackrel{\text{O1}}{=} (\mathbf{z}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top) : \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R} : (\mathbf{z}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top)$$

Let there be SVD of

$$\sum_i \mathbf{z}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top$$

Then

$$\mathbf{R} : \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{R} : (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top) \stackrel{\text{O1}}{=} \text{tr}(\mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\top) \stackrel{\text{O2}}{=} \text{tr}(\mathbf{V}^\top \mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}) \stackrel{\text{O1}}{=} (\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{R}\mathbf{V}) : \mathbf{D}$$

We are solving

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

A particular solution is found as follows:

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

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

- $\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{V}$ is not necessarily positive definite
- We choose \mathbf{S} so that $(\mathbf{R}^*)^\top \mathbf{R}^* = \mathbf{I}$

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
- Triple pairs can be pre-filtered based on motion invariants (lengths, angles)
- Can be used for the last step of the exterior orientation (P3P) problem $\rightarrow 66$

Computing with a Camera Pair

- 4.1 Camera Motions Inducing Epipolar Geometry
- 4.2 Estimating Fundamental Matrix from 7 Correspondences
- 4.3 Estimating Essential Matrix from 5 Correspondences
- 4.4 Triangulation: 3D Point Position from a Pair of Corresponding Points

covered by

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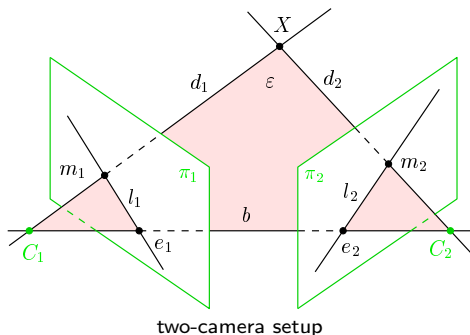


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► Geometric Model of a Camera Stereo Pair

Epipolar geometry:

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



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 :
 $\mathbf{e}_1 \simeq \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{C}_2, \quad \mathbf{e}_2 \simeq \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{C}_1$
- $l_i \in \pi_i$ is the image of epipolar plane
 $\varepsilon = (C_2, X, C_1)$
- l_j is the epipolar line ('epipolar') 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 $\rightarrow 87$

$$\mathbf{P}_i = [\mathbf{Q}_i \quad \mathbf{q}_i] = \mathbf{K}_i [\mathbf{R}_i \quad \mathbf{t}_i] = \mathbf{K}_i \mathbf{R}_i [\mathbf{I} \quad -\mathbf{C}_i] \quad i = 1, 2 \quad \rightarrow 31$$

Epipolar Geometry Example: Forward Motion

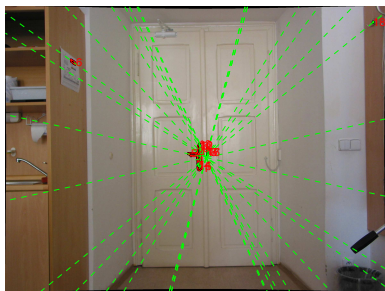


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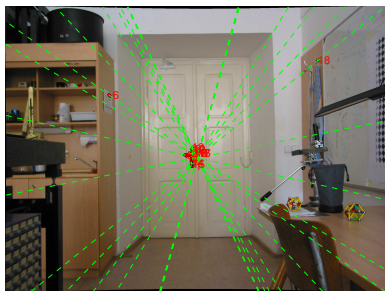
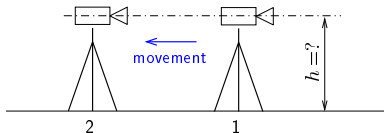


image 2

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

click on the image to see their IDs
same ID in both images

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

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

Some properties

- $[\mathbf{b}]_{\times}^{\top} = -[\mathbf{b}]_{\times}$ the general antisymmetry property
- \mathbf{A} is skew-symmetric iff $\mathbf{x}^{\top} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = 0$ for all \mathbf{x} skew-sym mtx generalizes cross products
- $[\mathbf{b}]_{\times}^3 = -\|\mathbf{b}\|^2 \cdot [\mathbf{b}]_{\times}$
- $\|[\mathbf{b}]_{\times}\|_F = \sqrt{2} \|\mathbf{b}\|$ Frobenius norm ($\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \sqrt{\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^{\top} \mathbf{A})} = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}|^2}$)
- $\text{rank} [\mathbf{b}]_{\times} = 2$ iff $\|\mathbf{b}\| > 0$ check minors of $[\mathbf{b}]_{\times}$
- $[\mathbf{b}]_{\times} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$
- eigenvalues of $[\mathbf{b}]_{\times}$ are $(0, \lambda, -\lambda)$
- for any 3×3 regular \mathbf{B} : $\mathbf{B}^{\top} [\mathbf{Bz}]_{\times} \mathbf{B} = \det \mathbf{B} [\mathbf{z}]_{\times}$ follows from the factoring on $\rightarrow 39$
- in particular: if $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{R}^{\top} = \mathbf{I}$ then $[\mathbf{Rb}]_{\times} = \mathbf{R} [\mathbf{b}]_{\times} \mathbf{R}^{\top}$
 - note that if $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{b}}$ is rotation about \mathbf{b} then $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}$
 - note $[\mathbf{b}]_{\times}$ is not a homography; it is not a rotation matrix it is the logarithm of a rotation mtx

Thank You

