

3D Computer Vision

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► Choleski Decomposition for B. A.

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

find \mathbf{x} such that
$$-\sum_{r=1}^z \mathbf{L}_r^\top \nu_r(\theta^S) = \left(\sum_{r=1}^z \mathbf{L}_r^\top \mathbf{L}_r + \lambda \text{diag}(\mathbf{L}_r^\top \mathbf{L}_r) \right) \mathbf{x}$$

- \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: 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 $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^\top \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$
2. solve for \mathbf{x} in two passes:

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

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

- Choleski decomposition is fast (does not touch zero blocks)
non-zero elements are $9p + 121k + 66pk \approx 3.4 \cdot 10^6$; ca. 250× 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

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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 efficient 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
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$$\frac{1}{2}(A + A^T)$$

1. The external frame is not fixed: See Projective Reconstruction Theorem →132

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

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
2. fixing the scale (e.g. $s_{12} = 1$)
- 3a. either imposing constraints on projective entities
 - cameras, e.g. $\mathbf{P}_{3,4} = 1$ this excludes affine cameras
 - points, e.g. $(\underline{\mathbf{X}}_i)_4 = 1$ or $\|\underline{\mathbf{X}}_i\|^2 = 1$ the 2nd: can represent points at infinity
- 3b. or using minimal representations
 - points in their Euclidean representation \mathbf{X}_i but finite points may be an unrealistic model
 - rotation matrices can be represented by skew-symmetric matrices →149

Implementing Simple Linear Constraints (by programmatic elimination)

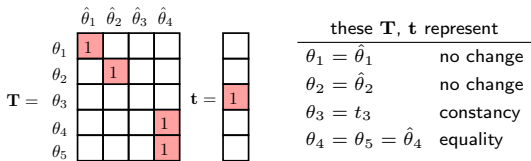
What for?

- fixing external frame as in $\theta_i = \mathbf{t}_i$, $s_{kl} = 1$ for some i, k, l 'trivial gauge'
- 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} :

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

then \mathbf{L}_r in LM changes to $\mathbf{L}_r \mathbf{T}$ and everything else stays the same \rightarrow 108



- \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 \rightarrow 149–151
- 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: A path to Minimal Parameterizations

- for any square matrix we define

$$\text{expm}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \mathbf{A}^k$$

note: $\mathbf{A}^0 = \mathbf{I}$

$\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$
 $GL(n)$

- some properties:

$$\text{expm}(x) = e^x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \text{expm} \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{I}, \quad \text{expm}(-\mathbf{A}) = (\text{expm} \mathbf{A})^{-1},$$

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

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

$$(\text{expm}(\mathbf{A}))^\top = \text{expm}(\mathbf{A}^\top) = \text{expm}(-\mathbf{A}) = (\text{expm}(\mathbf{A}))^{-1}$$

$$\det(\text{expm} \mathbf{A}) = e^{\text{tr} \mathbf{A}}$$

Some consequences

- traceless matrices ($\text{tr} \mathbf{A} = 0$) map to unit-determinant matrices \Rightarrow we can represent homogeneous matrices
- skew-symmetric matrices map to orthogonal matrices \Rightarrow we can represent rotations
- matrix exponential provides the exponential map from the powerful Lie group theory

Lie Groups Useful in 3D Vision

group		matrix	represent
special linear	$SL(3, \mathbb{R})$	real 3×3 , unit determinant \mathbf{H}	2D homography
special linear	$SL(4, \mathbb{R})$	real 4×4 , unit determinant	3D homography
special orthogonal	$SO(3)$	real 3×3 orthogonal \mathbf{R}	3D rotation
special Euclidean	$SE(3)$	4×4 $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{R} \in SO(3)$, $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^3$	3D rigid motion
similarity	$Sim(3)$	4×4 $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0} & s^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$, $s \in \mathbb{R} \setminus 0$	rigid motion + scale

- Lie group G = topological group that is also a smooth manifold with nice properties
- Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} = vector space associated with a Lie group (tangent space of the manifold)
- group: this is where we need to work
- algebra: this is how to represent group elements with a minimal number of parameters
- Exponential map = map between algebra and its group $\exp: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$
- for matrices $\exp = \text{expm}$
- in most of the above groups we have a closed-form formula for the exponential and for its principal inverse
- Jacobians are also readily available for $SO(3)$, $SE(3)$ [Solà 2020]

$$\mathbf{H} = \text{expm } \mathbf{Z}$$

- $\text{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ group element

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \det \mathbf{H} = 1$$

- $\mathfrak{sl}(3, \mathbb{R})$ algebra element

8 parameters

$$\mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} & z_{13} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} & z_{23} \\ z_{31} & z_{32} & -(z_{11} + z_{22}) \end{bmatrix}$$

- note that $\text{tr } \mathbf{Z} = 0$

► Rotation in 3D

$SO(3)$

$$\mathbf{R} = \expm[\underbrace{\phi}_x, \quad \phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) = \varphi \mathbf{e}_\varphi, \quad 0 \leq \varphi < \pi, \quad \|\mathbf{e}_\varphi\| = 1$$

- $SO(3)$ group element

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{R}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^\top$$

- $\mathfrak{so}(3)$ algebra element

$$[\phi]_x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\phi_3 & \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 & 0 & -\phi_1 \\ -\phi_2 & \phi_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3 parameters

- exponential map in closed form

$$\mathbf{R} = \expm[\phi]_x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\phi]_x^n}{n!} = \dots = \mathbf{I} + \frac{\sin \varphi}{\varphi} [\phi]_x + \frac{1 - \cos \varphi}{\varphi^2} [\phi]_x^2$$

Rodrigues' formula

- (principal) logarithm

$$0 \leq \varphi < \pi, \quad \cos \varphi = \frac{1}{2} (\text{tr}(\mathbf{R}) - 1), \quad [\phi]_x = \frac{\varphi}{2 \sin \varphi} (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}^\top),$$

log is a periodic function

- ϕ is rotation axis vector \mathbf{e}_φ scaled by rotation angle φ in radians
- finite limits for $\varphi \rightarrow 0$ exist: $\sin(\varphi)/\varphi \rightarrow 1$, $(1 - \cos \varphi)/\varphi^2 \rightarrow 1/2$

$$\mathbf{M} = \expm[\boldsymbol{\nu}]_{\wedge}$$

- SE(3) group element

4 × 4 matrix

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{R} \in \text{SO}(3), \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

- $\mathfrak{se}(3)$ algebra element

4 × 4 matrix

$$[\boldsymbol{\nu}]_{\wedge} = \begin{bmatrix} [\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times} & \boldsymbol{\rho} \\ \mathbf{0} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \boldsymbol{\phi} \in \mathbb{R}^3, \varphi = \|\boldsymbol{\phi}\| < \pi, \boldsymbol{\rho} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

- exponential map in closed form

$$\mathbf{R} = \expm[\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times}, \quad \mathbf{t} = \text{dexpm}([\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times}) \boldsymbol{\rho}$$

$$\text{dexpm}([\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times}^n}{(n+1)!} = \mathbf{I} + \frac{1 - \cos \varphi}{\varphi^2} [\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times} + \frac{\varphi - \sin \varphi}{\varphi^3} [\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times}^2$$

$$\text{dexpm}^{-1}([\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times}) = \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{2} [\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times} + \frac{1}{\varphi^2} \left(1 - \frac{\varphi}{2} \cot \frac{\varphi}{2} \right) [\boldsymbol{\phi}]_{\times}^2$$

- dexpm : differential of the exponential in SO(3)
- (principal) logarithm via a similar trick as in SO(3)
- finite limits exist: $(\varphi - \sin \varphi)/\varphi^3 \rightarrow 1/6$
- this form is preferred to $\text{SO}(3) \times \mathbb{R}^3$

► Minimal Representations for Other Entities

- fundamental matrix via $SO(3) \times SO(3) \times \mathbb{R}$

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


- essential matrix via $SO(3) \times \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\mathbf{E} = [-\mathbf{t}]_\times \mathbf{R}, \quad \mathbf{R} \in SO(3), \quad \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad \|\mathbf{t}\| = 1, \quad 3 + 2 = 5 \text{ DOF}$$

- camera pose via $SO(3) \times \mathbb{R}^3$ or $SE(3)$

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K} [\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}] = [\mathbf{K} \quad \mathbf{0}] \mathbf{M}, \quad 5 + 3 + 3 = 11 \text{ DOF}$$

- [Sim\(3\)](#) useful for SfM without scale
- closed-form formulae still exist but are a bit messy
- a (bit too brief) intro to Lie groups in 3D vision/robotics and SW:

 J. Solà, J. Deray, and D. Atchuthan. A micro Lie theory for state estimation in robotics. arXiv:1812.01537v7 [cs.RO], August 2020.

Stereovision

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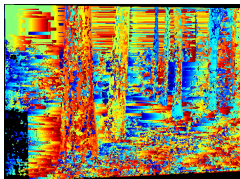
Stereovision: What Are The Relative Distances?



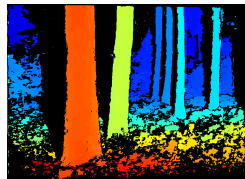
The success of a model-free stereo matching algorithm is unlikely:

WTA Matching:

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



disparity map from WTA



a good disparity map

- monocular vision already gives a rough 3D sketch because we understand the scene
- pixelwise independent matching without any understanding is difficult
- matching can benefit from a geometric simplification of the problem

► Linear Epipolar Rectification for Easier Correspondence Search

Obs:

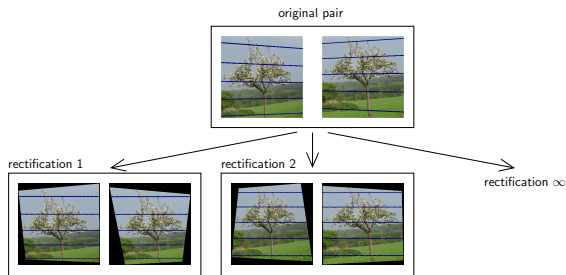
- if we map epipoles to infinity, epipolar lines become parallel
- we then rotate them to become horizontal
- we then scale the images to make corresponding epipolar lines colinear
- this can be achieved by a pair of (non-unique) homographies applied to the images

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

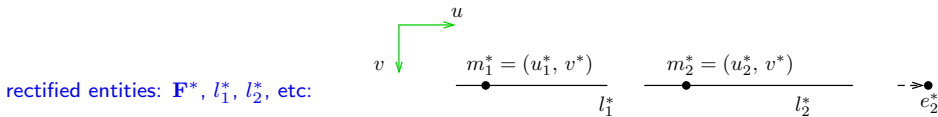
$$\mathbf{F} \mapsto \mathbf{H}_2^{-\top} \mathbf{F} \mathbf{H}_1^{-1} \quad \text{or the cameras } \mathbf{P}_1 \mapsto \mathbf{H}_1 \mathbf{P}_1, \quad \mathbf{P}_2 \mapsto \mathbf{H}_2 \mathbf{P}_2.$$



► Rectification Homographies

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

$$\mathbf{P}_i^* = \mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{P}_i = \mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{K}_i \mathbf{R}_i [\mathbf{I} \quad -\mathbf{C}_i], \quad i = 1, 2$$



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

corresponding epipolar lines must be:

- parallel to image rows \Rightarrow epipoles become $e_1^* = e_2^* \simeq (1, 0, 0)$
- equivalent $l_2^* = l_1^*$: $l_1^* \simeq \mathbf{e}_1^* \times \mathbf{m}_1 = [\mathbf{e}_1^*]_{\times} \mathbf{m}_1 \simeq l_2^* \simeq \mathbf{F}^* \mathbf{m}_1 \Rightarrow \mathbf{F}^* = [\mathbf{e}_1^*]_{\times}$

- 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

- find some pair of primitive rectification homographies $\hat{\mathbf{H}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{H}}_2$
- 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 $\mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{Q}_2^{-1})^\top [\mathbf{e}_1]_\times$
- we choose $\mathbf{Q}_1^* = \mathbf{K}_1^*$, $\mathbf{Q}_2^* = \mathbf{K}_2^* \mathbf{R}^*$; then

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$$\mathbf{F}^* \simeq (\mathbf{Q}_1^* \mathbf{Q}_2^{*-1})^\top [\mathbf{e}_1^*]_\times \stackrel{!}{\simeq} (\mathbf{K}_1^* \mathbf{R}^{*\top} \mathbf{K}_2^{*-1})^\top \mathbf{F}^*$$

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

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

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

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

- rectified cameras are in canonical relative pose 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

$$\mathbf{P}_i^* \mathbf{X}_\infty = \mathbf{K} [\mathbf{I} \quad -\mathbf{C}_i] \mathbf{X}_\infty = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{X}_\infty \quad i = 1, 2$$

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

► 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 $\mathbf{UDV}^\top = \mathbf{F}$, where $\mathbf{D} = \text{diag}(1, d^2, 0)$, $1 \geq d^2 > 0$
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 $\rightarrow 155$)

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

3. Then

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{UDV}^\top = \underbrace{\mathbf{UA}^\top}_{\hat{\mathbf{H}}_2^\top} \mathbf{F}^* \underbrace{\mathbf{BV}^\top}_{\hat{\mathbf{H}}_1} = \hat{\mathbf{H}}_2^\top \mathbf{F}^* \hat{\mathbf{H}}_1 \quad \hat{\mathbf{H}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{H}}_2 \text{ orthonormal}$$

and the primitive rectification homographies are

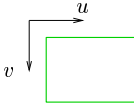
$$\hat{\mathbf{H}}_2 = \mathbf{AU}^\top, \quad \hat{\mathbf{H}}_1 = \mathbf{BV}^\top$$

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





- rectification homographies do exist $\rightarrow 155$
- there are other primitive rectification homographies, these suggested are just simple to obtain

► The Set of All Rectification Homographies

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

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


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 due to a rotation about the baseline 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 $\mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{K}_2^* = \hat{\mathbf{K}}_2 \mathbf{G}$
- s_v changes the focal length

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

Obs: calibrated cameras: $d = 1 \Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{H}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{H}}_2$ (\rightarrow 157) are orthonormal

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.

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

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 (\rightarrow 156) and non-negative disparity:

$$\text{let } \mathbf{K}_i^{-1} \mathbf{P}_i = \mathbf{R}_i [\mathbf{I} \quad -\mathbf{C}_i], \quad i = 1, 2 \quad \text{note we started from } \mathbf{E}, \text{ not } \mathbf{F}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_1 \mathbf{P}_1 = \mathbf{K} \hat{\mathbf{H}}_1 \mathbf{K}_1^{-1} \mathbf{P}_1 = \mathbf{K} \underbrace{\mathbf{B} \mathbf{V}^\top \mathbf{R}_1}_{\mathbf{R}^*} [\mathbf{I} \quad -\mathbf{C}_1] = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R}^* [\mathbf{I} \quad -\mathbf{C}_1]$$

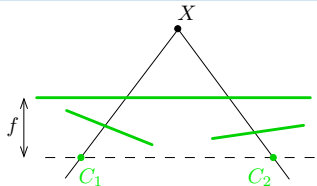
$$\mathbf{H}_2 \mathbf{P}_2 = \mathbf{K} \hat{\mathbf{H}}_2 \mathbf{K}_2^{-1} \mathbf{P}_2 = \mathbf{K} \underbrace{\mathbf{A} \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{R}_2}_{\mathbf{R}^*} [\mathbf{I} \quad -\mathbf{C}_2] = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R}^* [\mathbf{I} \quad -\mathbf{C}_2]$$

- 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 by $\mathbf{K} \mathbf{R}^*$ in both cameras \Rightarrow they have zero disparity

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► Summary & Remarks: Linear Rectification

standard rectification homographies reproject onto a common image plane parallel to the baseline



- rectification is done with a pair of homographies (one per image) →154
 - ⇒ 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 →156
 - ⇒ rectified image projection planes are coplanar
- equal rectified calibration matrices give standard rectification →156
 - ⇒ rectified image projection planes are equal
- primitive rectification is already standard in calibrated cameras →160
- known \mathbf{F} used alone does not allow standardization of 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

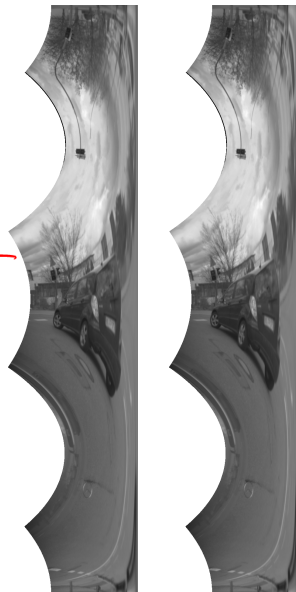
- by minimization of residual image distortion, eg. [Gluckman & Nayar 2001]

$$\mathbf{A}_1^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{A}_1} \iint_{\Omega} (\det J(\mathbf{A}_1 \hat{\mathbf{H}}_1 \mathbf{x}) - 1)^2 d\mathbf{x}$$

- 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

Thank You

