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## Summary of TEK5030

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(Cmglee)

$d\left(f_{A}, f_{B}\right)<T$


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## Image formation

Light, cameras, optics and colour
Image formation:

- Illumination
- Cameras
- Optics
- Colour Sensing.



## Image capture




CMOS image sensor (CMOSIS 48Mp)
(Artwork by Holly Fischer)

## Depth of field - large aperture



## Depth of field - small aperture



## Colour Sensing in digital cameras - Bayer filter



## The perspective camera model



The image is represented by a 2 D frame $\mathcal{F}_{i}$ that spans the normalized image plane

## The perspective camera model



Points in the normalized image plane can be described both as 2D and 3D points

- 3D points $\mathbf{x}_{n}$ in $\mathcal{F}_{c}$
- 2D points $\mathbf{u}$ in $\mathcal{F}_{i}$


## The perspective camera model



The perspective camera model is composed by two transformations:

$$
\tilde{\mathbf{u}}=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
f_{u} & s & c_{u} \\
0 & f_{v} & c_{v} \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right] \tilde{\mathbf{x}}
$$

## Inverting the perspective camera model



## Remark on computations

Computing the image point $\mathbf{u}=[u, v]^{T}$ for a world point $\mathbf{x}=[x, y, z]^{T}$ can be split into three steps

$$
\begin{array}{cc}
\mathbf{x} & \mapsto \\
{\left[\begin{array}{c}
x \\
y \\
z
\end{array}\right]} & \mapsto \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}}=\mathbf{K} \mathbf{\Pi}_{0} \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \quad \mapsto \\
{\left[\begin{array}{c}
x \\
y \\
z \\
1
\end{array}\right]} & {\left[\begin{array}{c}
\tilde{u} \\
\tilde{v} \\
\tilde{w}
\end{array}\right]} \\
\\
\text { Homogeneous coordinates! }
\end{array}
$$

## The camera calibration matrix

$$
\mathbf{K}=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
f_{u} & s & c_{u} \\
0 & f_{v} & c_{v} \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

- This is an affine transformation from the normalized image plane to the image

$$
\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\mathbf{u}} & =\mathbf{K} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{n} \\
{\left[\begin{array}{c}
u \\
v \\
1
\end{array}\right] } & =\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
f_{u} & s & c_{u} \\
0 & f_{v} & c_{v} \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
x \\
y \\
1
\end{array}\right] \\
u & =f_{u} x+s y+c_{u} \\
v & =f_{v} y+c_{v}
\end{aligned}
$$

- The principal point, $\left(c_{u}, c_{v}\right)$ is where the optical axis intersects the image plane
- Often approximated by the center of the image
- The focal lengths $f_{\mathrm{u}}$ and $f_{v}$ are scale factors between the normalized image plane and the image
- They are scaled versions of the physical focal length
- The skew parameter $s$ can typically be ignored, so we usually set $s=0$
- It is required for cases when the detector array is not orthogonal to the optical axis


## Non-ideal cameras

- No cameras fit the perspective camera model perfectly
- All cameras suffer from some kind of distortion
- If we want to use images for geometrical computations we need to take this distortion into account

- A distortion model allows us to undistort images (or individual points)
- Example model for radial distortion only

$$
\begin{aligned}
& x_{n}=x_{n}^{\prime}\left(1+k_{1} r^{\prime 2}+k_{2} r^{\prime 4}\right) \\
& y_{n}=y_{n}^{\prime}\left(1+k_{1} r^{\prime 2}+k_{2} r^{\prime 4}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $r^{\prime 2}=x_{n}^{\prime 2}+y_{n}^{\prime 2}$


## Linear transformations of the projective plane $\mathbb{P}^{2}$

| Transformation | Matrix | \#DoF | Preserves | Visualization |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Euclidean | $\left[\begin{array}{ll}\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^{T} & 1\end{array}\right]$ | 3 | Lengths + all below |  |
| Similarity | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}s \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^{T} & 1\end{array}\right] \quad s \in \mathbb{R}$ | 4 | Angles <br> + all below | $\square \rightarrow \uparrow$ |
| Affine | $\left[\begin{array}{ccc}a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & 1\end{array}\right]$ | 6 | Parallelism, line at infinity <br> + all below | $\square \rightarrow \xrightarrow{\natural}$ |
| Homography | $\left[\begin{array}{lll}h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33}\end{array}\right]$ | 8 | Straight lines | $\square \rightarrow \uparrow$ |

## Linear transformations of the projective plane $\mathbb{P}^{2}$

- Perspective imaging of a flat surface can be described by a homography



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## Image processing

- Point operators (pixel-to-pixel)
- Adjustment of brightness, contrast and colour
- Histogram equalization
- Image filtering in spatial domain
- Mathematical operations on a local neighborhood
- Linear filters (convolution, cross-correlation)
- Non-linear filters
- Image enhancement (smoothing, sharpening)
- Feature extraction (edges, texture etc.)
- Image filtering in frequency domain
- Modification of spatial image frequencies
- Noise removal, (re)sampling, image compression
- 2D Fourier transform



## Linear filtering (cross-correlation or convolution)



## Filtering in frequency domain

Fourier (1807):
Any univariate function can be rewritten as a weighted sum of sines and cosines of different frequencies (true with some subtle restrictions).

This leads to:

- Fourier Series
- Fourier Transform (continuous and discrete)
- Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)


Jean Baptiste Joseph Fourier (1768-1830)

## Image Pyramids

- Downsampling (decimation)
- Upsampling (interpolation)
- Pyramids
- Gaussan Pyramids
- Laplacian Pyramids
- Applications
- Template matching (object detection)
- Detecting stable points of interest
- Image Registration
- Compression
- Image Blending
- ...




## Laplacian pyramid



## Laplacian pyramid

Collapsing the Laplacian pyramid:

$$
\text { rescale }\left(\text { rescale }\left(\text { rescale }\left(L_{3}\right)+L_{2}\right)+L_{1}\right)+L_{0}=
$$



## Image blending



## Image blending with Laplacian pyramids

Weighted sum for each level of the pyramid


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## Feature detection

## Line features:

- Edge detectors
- Image derivatives
- Thinning and thresholding
- Line detection with the Hough transform



## Thinning and thresholding

- Detection of local maxima (i.e. suppression of non-maxima)
- Thresholding


Binary image with isolated edges (single pixels at discrete locations along edge contours)


Edge enhanced image (Sobel)


Edge image (Canny)

## Line detection - Hough transform

The set of all lines going through a given point corresponds to a sinusoidal curve in the $(\rho, \theta)$ plane.

Two or more points on a straight line will give rise to sinusoids intersecting at the point $(\rho, \theta)$ for that line.



The Hough transform can be generalized to other shapes.

## Example



## Example (2)




## Feature detection

Local keypoint features

- Corner detectors
- Stable in space
- Min eigenvalue, Harris
- Blob detectors
- Stable in scale and space
- LoG, DoG


## Characteristics of good features



- Repeatability
- Efficiency
- Distinctiveness
- Locality


## Local measure of feature distinctiveness

- Consider a small window of pixels around a feature
- How does the window change when you shift it?

"Flat" region:
No change in all directions

"Edge":
No change along edge



## Simplifying the measure even further

- Consider a horizontal "slice" of $E(u, v)$ :

$$
E(u, v) \approx\left[\begin{array}{ll}
u & v
\end{array}\right] M\left[\begin{array}{l}
u \\
v
\end{array}\right]=\text { const }
$$

- This is the equation of an ellipse
- Describe the surface using the eigenvalues of $M$



## Corner detection summary

- Compute the gradient at each point in the image using derivatives of Gaussians
- Create the second moment matrix M from the entries in the gradient
- Compute the eigenvalues
- Find points with large response ( $\lambda_{\text {min }}>$ threshold)
- Choose those points where $\lambda_{\text {min }}$ is a local maximum as features



## Harris detector properties

- Scaling


All points will be classified as edges

## Corner location is not covariant to scaling!

## LoG blob detector

- Convolve the image with scale-normalized LoG at several scales
- Find maxima of squared LoG response in scale-space
- Approximate with Difference of Gaussians (DoG)


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## Feature detection

Robust estimation with RANSAC

- RANSAC
- A robust iterative method for estimating the parameters of a mathematical model from a set of observed data containing outliers
- Separates the observed data into "inliers" and "outliers"
- Very useful if we want to use better, but less robust, estimation methods




## RANSAC

## Objective

Robustly fit a model $\boldsymbol{y}=f(\boldsymbol{x} ; \boldsymbol{\alpha})$ to a data set $S=\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right\}$

## Algorithm

1. Determine a test model $\boldsymbol{y}=f\left(\boldsymbol{x} ; \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{t s t}\right)$ from $n$ random data points $\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{1}, \boldsymbol{x}_{2}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right\}$
2. Check how well each individual data point in $S$ fits with the test model

- Data points within a distance $t$ of the model constitute a set of inliers $S_{t s t} \subseteq S$
- Data points outside a distance $t$ of the model are outliers

3. If $S_{t s t}$ is the largest set of inliers encountered so far, we keep this model
$-\quad$ Set $\boldsymbol{\alpha}=\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{t s t}$ and $S_{I N}=S_{t s t}$
4. Repeat steps $1-3$ until $N$ models have been tested

## RANSAC

## Comments

- Number of iterations required to achieve confidence $p$ when testing random models from $n$-tuples of data elements from a dataset with inlier probability $\omega$

$$
N=\frac{\log (1-p)}{\log \left(1-\omega^{n}\right)}
$$

- Typical desired level of confidence

$$
p=0.99
$$

- Inlier probability $\omega$ is typically unknown, but can be estimated per iteration

$$
\omega=\frac{\# \text { max estimated inliers }}{\# \text { data elements }}
$$

- Instead of operating with a fixed and larger than necessary $N$ we can update $N$ for each iteration
- Adaptive RANSAC!
$n$

| $N$ | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 11 | 17 |
| 3 | 4 | 7 | 11 | 19 | 35 |
| 4 | 5 | 9 | 17 | 34 | 72 |
| 5 | 6 | 12 | 26 | 57 | 146 |
| 6 | 7 | 16 | 37 | 97 | 293 |
| 7 | 8 | 20 | 54 | 163 | 588 |
| 8 | 9 | 26 | 78 | 272 | 1177 |

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## Feature matching <br> Feature descriptors and matching

- Matching keypoints
- Comparing local patches in canonical scale and orientation
- Feature descriptors
- Robust, distinctive and efficient
- Descriptor types
- HoG descriptors
- Binary descriptors
- Putative matching

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- Closest match, distance ratio, cross check


## Feature matching

From keypoints to feature correspondences


## Patch at detected position, scale, orientation



## SIFT descriptor

- Extract a $16 \times 16$ patch around detected keypoint
- Compute the gradients and apply a Gaussian weighting function
- Divide the window into a $4 \times 4$ grid of cells
- Compute gradient direction histograms over 8 directions in each cell
- Concatenate the histograms to obtain a 128 dimensional feature vector
- Normalize to unit length



## Binary descriptors

- Extremely efficient construction and comparison
- Based on pairwise intensity comparisons
- Sampling pattern around keypoint
- Set of sampling pairs
- Feature descriptor vector is a binary string:



BRISK sampling pairs

## Estimating homographies from feature correspondences

- Perspective images are sometimes perfectly related by a homography
- Rotating camera
- Planar scene
- Point-correspondences $\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{i} \leftrightarrow \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{i}^{\prime}$ can be established automatically between two such images
- Wrong correspondences are common
- The homography can be estimated from the point correspondences
- Need at least 4
- Robust estimation techniques are recommended



## Estimating homographies from feature correspondences

- RANSAC estimation of homography $\mathbf{H} \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}=\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}^{\prime}$
- Direct Linear Transform (DLT) on 4 random correspondences $\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{i} \leftrightarrow \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{i}^{\prime}$
- Inliers have a small reprojection error

$$
\epsilon_{i}=d\left(\mathbf{H} \mathbf{u}_{i}, \mathbf{u}_{i}^{\prime}\right)+d\left(\mathbf{u}_{i}, \mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{u}_{i}^{\prime}\right)
$$

- The RANSAC estimated homography is random
- Only estimated from 4 correspondences!
- A "better" homography can be estimated based on all the inlier correspondences
- Normalized DLT
- Iterative methods
- Using the homography we can warp one image into the coordinate frame of the other



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## Orientation - Several representations

- Orientation of a frame $\mathcal{F}_{b}$ relative to a frame $\mathcal{F}_{a}$ has several representations

- Rotation matrix $\mathbf{R} \in S O$ (3)
- Euler angles $\boldsymbol{\theta}=\left[\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}, \theta_{3}\right]^{T}$
- Axis-angle $(\mathbf{v}, \phi)=\left\{\left[v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}\right]^{T}, \phi\right\}$

Main representation for us!
Minimal representation
We will not us this
We will use this indirectly

- Important properties
- Inverse
- Composition
- Action on points

$$
\begin{array}{|c|}
\mathbf{R}_{b a}=\mathbf{R}_{a b}^{-1} \\
\hline \mathbf{R}_{a c}=\mathbf{R}_{a b} \mathbf{R}_{b c} \\
\hline \mathbf{x}^{b}=\mathbf{R}_{b a} \mathbf{x}^{a} \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathbf{W}_{1}^{c T} \\
\mathbf{W}_{2}^{c T} \\
\mathbf{W}_{3}^{c T}
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\mathbf{c}_{1}^{w} \quad \mathbf{c}_{2}^{w} \quad \mathbf{c}_{3}^{w}
$$

## Pose

- The pose of the camera frame $\mathcal{F}_{c}$ with respect to the world frame $\mathcal{F}_{w}$ can be represented by the Euclidean transformation matrix

$$
\mathbf{T}_{w c}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\mathbf{R}_{w c} & \mathbf{t}_{w c}^{w} \\
\mathbf{0}^{T} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in S E(3)
$$

where $\mathbf{R}_{w c} \in S O(3)$ is a rotation matrix and $\mathbf{t}_{w c}^{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{3}$ is a translation vector given in world coordinates
NOTATION
$\mathbf{T}_{a b}=$ The pose of $\mathcal{F}_{b}$ relative to $\mathcal{F}_{a}$
$\mathbf{R}_{a b}=$ The orientation of $\mathcal{F}_{b}$ relative to $\mathcal{F}_{a}$

$\mathbf{t}_{a b}^{c}=$| The translation of $\mathcal{F}_{b}$ relative to $\mathcal{F}_{a}$ |
| :--- |
| given in $\mathcal{F}_{c}$ coordinates |



## Pose - Inverse

- The opposite pose, the pose of $\mathcal{F}_{w}$ with respect to $\mathcal{F}_{c}$, is given by the inverse transformation

$$
\mathbf{T}_{c w}=\mathbf{T}_{w c}^{-1}
$$

- One can show that

$$
\mathbf{T}_{c w}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\mathbf{R}_{w c} & \mathbf{t}_{w c}^{w} \\
\mathbf{0}^{T} & 1
\end{array}\right]^{-1}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\mathbf{R}_{w c}^{T} & -\mathbf{R}_{w c}^{T} \mathbf{t}_{w c}^{w} \\
\mathbf{0}^{T} & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

- Hence $\mathbf{R}_{c w}=\mathbf{R}_{w c}^{T}$ and $\mathbf{t}_{c w}^{c}=-\mathbf{R}_{w c}^{T} \mathbf{t}_{w c}^{w}$



## Pose - Composition

We can chain together consecutive poses by compounding transformation matrices

$$
\mathbf{T}_{a c}=\mathbf{T}_{a b} \mathbf{T}_{b c}
$$

## Note



The indexes are always pairwise equal


## Pose - Action on points

- The matrix $\mathbf{T}_{c w}$ represents the pose of $\mathcal{F}_{w}$ relative to $\mathcal{F}_{c}$, but it is also a point transformation from $\mathcal{F}_{w}$ to $\mathcal{F}_{c}$
- A point $\mathbf{x}^{w}$ in world coordinates can be transformed to camera coordinates by

$$
\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{c} & =\mathbf{T}_{c w} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{w} \\
\mathbf{x}^{c} & =\mathbf{R}_{c w} \mathbf{x}^{w}+\mathbf{t}_{c w}^{c}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Note

The indexes are always pairwise equal


## Example - Camera on a vehicle in the world

A point $\mathbf{x}$ has a known position relative to a camera mounted on a vehicle

The vehicle has a known pose relative to the world

The camera has a known pose relative to the vehicle

Find expressions for $\mathbf{x}^{v}$ and $\mathbf{x}^{w}$


## Example - Camera on a vehicle in the world

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The vehicle has a known pose relative to the world $\mathbf{T}_{w v}$

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$$
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& \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{w}=\mathbf{T}_{w v} \mathbf{T}_{v c} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{c}
\end{aligned}
$$



## The perspective camera model revisited



- The perspective camera model when we consider 3D points in a frame $\mathcal{F}_{w}$ instead of the camera frame $\mathcal{F}_{c}$

$$
\tilde{\mathbf{u}}=\mathbf{K}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
\mathbf{R}_{c w} & \mathbf{t}_{c w}^{c}
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\mathbf{0} & 1
\end{array}\right] \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{w}} \\
\mathbf{K} & \mathbf{\Pi}_{0} & \mathbf{T}_{c w}
\end{array}\right.
$$

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## Pose from a known 3D map

- Homography-based method

For a calibrated camera, we have a relation between the camera pose and the homography between the world plane and the image!

$$
\mathbf{H}_{i \Pi}=\mathbf{K}\left[\mathbf{r}_{1}, \mathbf{r}_{2}, \mathbf{t}\right] \quad \mathbf{T}_{c w}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\
\mathbf{0} & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$



- Indirect methods based on minimizing geometric error

$$
\mathbf{T}_{c w}^{*}=\underset{\mathbf{T}_{c w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i}\left\|\pi\left(\mathbf{T}_{c w} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}^{w}\right)-\mathbf{u}_{i}\right\|^{2}
$$



## How can we solve the indirect tracking problem?

Minimize geometric error with nonlinear least squares!

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$$



## Nonlinear least squares

We can find the MAP estimate of our unknown states given measurements

$$
X^{\text {MAP }}=\underset{X}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(X \mid Z)
$$

by representing it as a nonlinear least squares problem

$$
X^{*}=\underset{X}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^{m}\left\|h_{i}\left(X_{i}\right)-\mathbf{z}_{i}\right\|_{\Sigma_{i}}^{2}
$$

Choose a suitable inital estimate $X^{0}$
$\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b} \leftarrow$ Linearize at $X^{t}$


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## Example:

## Range-based localization

Linearized problem at $\mathbf{x}^{0}$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \boldsymbol{\delta}^{*}=\underset{\boldsymbol{\delta}}{\operatorname{argmin}}\|\mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\delta}-\mathbf{b}\|^{2} \\
& \mathbf{A}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
0.15 & 0.99 \\
0.20 & 0.98 \\
-0.11 & 0.99 \\
-0.33 & 0.94 \\
0 & 1.00
\end{array}\right] \quad \mathbf{b}=\left[\begin{array}{c}
-1.38 \\
-0.29 \\
-0.59 \\
-0.65 \\
0.62
\end{array}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

Solution to the normal equations $\mathbf{A}^{T} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\delta}^{*}=\mathbf{A}^{T} \mathbf{b}$ :

$$
\boldsymbol{\delta}^{*}=\left[\begin{array}{l}
-0.12 \\
-0.47
\end{array}\right] \quad \mathbf{x}^{1}=\mathbf{x}^{0}+\boldsymbol{\delta}^{*}=\left[\begin{array}{l}
1.68 \\
3.03
\end{array}\right]
$$



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- Gauss-Newton
- Levenberg-Marquardt


## Example: <br> Range-based localization

Levenberg-Marquardt optimization



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- Uncertainty for MAP estimate by approximating Hessian


## Optimizing over poses

- Updates on poses as perturbations in a vector space using Lie algebra

$$
\mathbf{T}=\exp \left(\xi^{\wedge}\right) \overline{\mathbf{T}}
$$

$$
\mathfrak{s e}(3)=\left\{\boldsymbol{\Xi}=\boldsymbol{\xi}^{\wedge} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4} \mid \boldsymbol{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^{6}\right\}
$$

- Jacobians for these perturbations


## The indirect tracking method

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## Gauss-Newton optimization

Given a good initial estimate $\mathbf{T}_{w c}^{0}$.
For $t=0,1, \ldots, t^{\max }$
$\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b} \leftarrow$ Linearize at $\mathbf{T}_{w c}^{t}$
$\xi_{\Delta}^{*} \leftarrow$ Solve the linearized problem with $\left(\mathbf{A}^{T} \mathbf{A}\right) \xi_{\Delta}^{*}=\mathbf{A}^{T} \mathbf{b}$
$\mathbf{T}_{w c}^{t+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{T}_{w c}^{t} \exp \left(\xi_{\Delta}^{*}\right)$



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## n-Point Pose Problem (PnP)

- Typically fast non-iterative methods
- Minimal in number of points
- Accuracy comparable to iterative methods
- Good for initial estimates
- Examples:
- P3P, EPnP
- P4Pf
- Estimate pose and focal length
- P6P
- Estimates $\mathbf{P}$ with DLT
- R6P
- Estimate pose with rolling shutter



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## Basic epipolar geometry



- The epipolar plane is the plane containing $\mathbf{x}$ and the two camera centers of $\mathcal{F}_{a}$ and $\mathcal{F}_{b}$
- The baseline is the line joining $\mathcal{F}_{a}$ and $\mathcal{F}_{b}$
- The epipolar lines are where the epipolar plane intersect the image planes
- The epipoles are where the baseline intersects the two image planes
- Epipoles and epipolar lines can be represented in the normalized image plane as well as in the image


## Stereo imaging

## Stereo imaging



## Stereo geometry

$$
{ }^{L} \boldsymbol{P}=(X, Y, Z)
$$

- Parallel identical cameras
- Translated along $x$-axis


## Stereo geometry



- Parallel identical cameras
- Translated along $x$-axis
- Horizontal epipolar lines
- Corresponding points lie along the same row in the two images


## Stereo geometry



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{ }^{L} \boldsymbol{P}=(X, Y, Z)
$$

- Parallel identical cameras
- Translated along $x$-axis
- Horizontal epipolar lines
- Corresponding points lie along the same row in the two images
- Depth from disparity

$$
Z=f \frac{b_{x}}{d}
$$

## Stereo geometry



## Stereo rectification



- Reproject image planes onto a common plane parallel to the line between the camera centers
- The epipolar lines are horizontal after this transformation
- Two homographies
- C. Loop and Z. Zhang. Computing Rectifying Homographies for Stereo Vision. IEEE Conf. Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 1999.


## Stereo imaging

Stereo processing

- Stereo processing
- Sparse vs dense matching
- DSI
- Typical failures
- Removing failures vs smoothness



## Stereo processing

- Sparse stereo
- Extract keypoints
- Match keypoints along the same row
- Compute 3D from disparity

- Dense stereo
- Try to match all pixels along rows
- Compute disparity image by finding the best disparity for each pixel
- Refine and clean disparity image
- Compute dense 3D point cloud or surface from disparity


## Dense stereo matching



- For a patch in the left image
- Compare with patches along the same row in the right image
- Select patch with highest score
- Repeat for all pixels in the left image


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## Representing the epipolar geometry

- The essential matrix $\mathbf{E}$ and the fundamental matrix $\mathbf{F}$ represent the epipolar geometry

$$
\left(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{n}^{b b}\right)^{T} \mathbf{E}_{b a} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{n}^{a}=0 \quad\left(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{\prime b}\right)^{T} \mathbf{F}_{b a} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{a}=0
$$

- E and $\mathbf{F}$ can be estimated from point correspondences
$-\quad \mathbf{F} \leftarrow$ RANSAC, 7-pt or 8-pt
$-\mathbf{E} \leftarrow$ RANSAC, 5-pt
- E and F maps points to epipolar lines

- The essential matrix is related directly to the relative pose between the two cameras

$$
\mathbf{E}_{b a}=\left(\mathbf{t}_{b a}^{b}\right)^{\wedge} \mathbf{R}_{b a}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{F}_{b a} & =\mathbf{K}_{b}^{-T} \mathbf{E}_{b a} \mathbf{K}_{a}^{-1} \\
\mathbf{F}_{a b} & =\mathbf{K}_{a}^{-T} \mathbf{E}_{a b} \mathbf{K}_{b}^{-1}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Example


$i m g_{a}$
$i m g_{b}$

## Linear triangulation by minimizing the algebraic error

Assume that we know the camera projection matrices $\mathbf{P}_{a}, \mathbf{P}_{b}$ and a 2D correspondence $\mathbf{u}^{a} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{u}^{\prime b}$ for a 3D point $\mathbf{x}$

Each perspective camera model gives rise to two equations on the three entries of $\mathbf{x}$

## $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{a}=\mathbf{P}_{a} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ <br> 

$$
\left[\begin{array}{c}
v^{a} \mathbf{p}_{a}^{3 T}-\mathbf{p}_{a}^{2 T} \\
\mathbf{p}_{a}^{1 T}-u^{a} \mathbf{p}_{a}^{3 T}
\end{array}\right] \tilde{\mathbf{x}}=\mathbf{0}
$$

$$
\left[\begin{array}{l}
v^{\prime b} \mathbf{p}_{b}^{3 T}-\mathbf{p}_{b}^{2 T} \\
\mathbf{p}_{b}^{1 T}-u^{\prime \prime} \mathbf{p}_{b}^{3 T}
\end{array} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{(2)}=\right.
$$

Combining these equations gives us an overdetermined homogenous system of linear equations that we can solve with SVD to find the 3D point $\mathbf{x}$ that minimize the algebraic error

$$
\varepsilon=\|\mathbf{A} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}\|
$$

in a linear least squares sense

$$
\begin{aligned}
& {\left[\begin{array}{c}
v^{a} \mathbf{p}_{a}^{3 T}-\mathbf{p}_{a}^{2 T} \\
\mathbf{p}_{a}^{1 T}-u^{a} \mathbf{p}_{a}^{3 T} \\
v^{\prime 3} \mathbf{p}_{b}^{3 T}-\mathbf{p}_{b}^{2 T} \\
\mathbf{p}_{b}^{1 T}-u^{\prime b} \mathbf{p}_{b}^{3 T}
\end{array}\right]} \\
& \\
& \mathbf{A} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}=\mathbf{0} \\
& \hline
\end{aligned}
$$

## Triangulation by minimizing the reprojection error

If we denote the camera projections by $\pi_{a}$ and $\pi_{b}$, then the reprojection error $\varepsilon$ is given by

$$
\begin{aligned}
\varepsilon & =\varepsilon_{a}{ }^{2}+\varepsilon_{b}{ }^{2} \\
& =\left\|\pi_{a}\left(\mathbf{T}_{a w} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{w}\right)-\mathbf{u}^{a}\right\|^{2}+\left\|\pi_{b}\left(\mathbf{T}_{b w} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{w}\right)-\mathbf{u}^{b}\right\|^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Estimating $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{w}$ by minimizing $\varepsilon$ is a non-linear optimization problem, which needs an initial estimate


## Pose estimation by minimizing reprojection error

Minimize geometric error over the camera pose
This is also sometimes called Motion-Only Bundle Adjustment

$$
\mathbf{T}_{c w}^{*}=\underset{\mathbf{T}_{c w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i}\left\|\pi\left(\mathbf{T}_{c w} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}^{w}\right)-\mathbf{u}_{i}\right\|^{2}
$$



## Triangulation by minimizing reprojection error

Minimize geometric error over the world points
This is also sometimes called Structure-Only Bundle Adjustment

$$
\mathbf{x}_{j}^{w^{*}}=\underset{\mathbf{x}_{j}^{w^{*}}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i} \sum_{j}\left\|\pi_{i}\left(\mathbf{T}_{c w_{i}} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{j}^{w}\right)-\mathbf{u}_{j}^{i}\right\|^{2}
$$



## Two-view geometry

## Pose from epipolar geometry

- Non-planar case
- Estimate epipolar geometry
- Estimate relative pose from $E$
- Planar case
- Estimate homography
- Estimate relative pose from $H$


## Pose from epipolar geometry

There are four different poses that satisfy the equation $\mathbf{E}_{b a}=\left(\mathbf{t}_{b a}^{b}\right)^{\wedge} \mathbf{R}_{b a}$

The figure illustrates how this might look like for the case when $\mathbf{T}_{b a, 1}$ is the correct pose

$$
\mathbf{T}_{b a, i} \text { is the pose of } \mathcal{F}_{a, i} \text { relative to } \mathcal{F}_{b}
$$

There is no way of predicting the correct pose out of the four, but in general only one of them corresponds to $\mathbf{x}$ being in front of both cameras

This constraint is known as the chirality constraint and it is tested by triangulation of at least one 3D point
$\left\|\mathbf{t}_{b a}^{b}\right\|$ can not be found from $\mathbf{E}_{b a}$ (homogeneous matrix)


## Pose from epipolar geometry

Pose between two calibrated cameras

1. Establish robust correspondences $\mathbf{u}_{i}^{a} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{u}_{i}^{\prime b}$ between images
2. Determine coorspondences $\mathbf{x}_{n, i}^{a} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}_{n, i}^{\prime b}$ using that $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{n}=\mathbf{K}^{-1} \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}$
3. Estimate the essential matrix $\mathbf{E}_{b a}$ from correspondences $\mathbf{x}_{n, i}^{a} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}_{n, i}^{b}$
4. Compute poses $\mathbf{T}_{b a, 1}, \ldots, \mathbf{T}_{b a, 4}$ from $\mathbf{E}_{b a}$
5. For each pose, determine at least one 3D point $\mathbf{x}$ by triangulation and select the pose that satisfies the chirality constraint


$$
\left\|t_{b a}^{b}\right\| \text { remains unknown! }
$$

## Planar scene

One can prove that if

$$
\mathbf{T}_{b a}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\mathbf{R}_{b a} & \mathbf{t}_{b a}^{b} \\
\mathbf{0} & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

then

$$
\mathbf{H}_{b a}=\mathbf{K}_{b}\left(\mathbf{R}_{b a}-\mathbf{t}_{b a}^{b}\left(\mathbf{n}^{a}\right)^{T} / d\right) \mathbf{K}_{a}^{-1}
$$

It is possible to estimate

$$
\left(\mathbf{R}_{b a}, \mathbf{n}^{a}, \frac{1}{d} \mathbf{t}_{b a}^{b}\right)
$$

from a known homography

- Four solutions



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## Multiple-view geometry



- Multiple-view geometry
- Correspondences
- Two-view vs Three-view
- Fundamental matrix vs Trifocal tensor



## Multiple-view geometry

## Three views

- Given three overlapping images, we can establish (or evaluate) point correspondences using the pairwise epipolar constraints

$$
\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}^{3}=\left(\mathbf{F}_{3,1} \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}^{1}\right) \times\left(\mathbf{F}_{3,2} \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}^{2}\right)
$$

- However, this fails for points in the plane defined by the three camera centers - the trifocal plane - since the epipolar lines then will coincide
- The trifocal tensor allows point transfer also for points in the trifocal plane


$$
\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}^{3}=\left(\mathbf{F}_{3,1} \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}^{1}\right) \times\left(\mathbf{F}_{3,2} \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}^{2}\right)
$$

## Example

## Point transfer based on epipolar constraints



## Example

## Point transfer based on epipolar constraints



## Multiple-view geometry

Multiple-view stereo

- Multi-view stereo
- Plane-sweep
- Volumetric stereo
- Surface expansion
- Surface reconstruction



## Plane sweep

Reference camera Camera $k$

- Sweep planes at different depths

$\boldsymbol{u}=\boldsymbol{K}_{\text {ref }}[I \mid \mathbf{0}] \boldsymbol{X}$
$\boldsymbol{u}^{\boldsymbol{\prime}}=\boldsymbol{K}_{k}\left[R_{k} \mid \boldsymbol{t}_{k}\right] \boldsymbol{X}$


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## Plane sweep and ambiguities

- Multiple views can resolve ambiguities in difficult areas!








## Plane sweep through oriented planes

- Fronto-parallel

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \boldsymbol{n}_{m}=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
0 & 0 & -1
\end{array}\right]^{T} \\
& Z_{m}(u, v)=d_{m}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Other plane orientations

$$
Z_{m}(u, v)=\frac{-d_{m}}{\left[\begin{array}{lll}
u & v & 1
\end{array}\right] K_{r e f}^{-T} \boldsymbol{n}_{m}}
$$



## Plane sweep with ground normal



$d_{m}=200$ meter below reference camera

## Plane sweep with ground normal



$d_{m}=261$ meter below reference camera

## Plane sweep with ground normal



$d_{m}=298$ meter below reference camera

## Plane sweep with ground normal

Red:

Green:

Blue:

$d_{m}=471$ meter below reference camera

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## What is Visual SLAM?

- Visual simultaneous localization and mapping
- Localization (tracking)
- Localization within the map = tracking the map in image frames
- Mapping
- Continuously expanding a map while exploring the environment


How do we track a map?

How do we build a map?

Monocular Visual SLAM


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## Monocular Visual SLAM



## Monocular Visual SLAM

Loop closure correction


Monocular Visual SLAM


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## Components of VSLAM

- Short-term tracking
- Pose estimation given the map
- Keyframe proposals
- Long-term tracking
- Visual place recognition
- Loop closure detection over keyframes
- Mapping
- Optimizing the map over keyframes

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## Front end

Back end


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## Pose and structure estimation by minimizing reprojection error

Minimize geometric error over the camera poses and world points
This is also sometimes called Full Bundle Adjustment



## Example



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## Linearized least-squares

Prior on first pose and distance between first two points


## MAP inference for nonlinear factor graphs

MAP inference for factor graphs:

$$
\begin{aligned}
X^{M A P} & =\underset{X}{\operatorname{argmax}} \phi(X) \\
& =\underset{X}{\operatorname{argmax}} \prod_{i} \phi_{i}\left(X_{i}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Let us assume that all factors are of the form


$$
\phi_{i}\left(X_{i}\right) \propto \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left\|h_{i}\left(X_{i}\right)-z_{i}\right\|_{\Sigma_{i}}^{2}\right\}
$$

Taking the negative log and dropping the constant factor allows us instead to minimize a sum of nonlinear least-squares:

$$
X^{M A P}=\underset{X}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i}\left\|h_{i}\left(X_{i}\right)-z_{i}\right\|_{\Sigma_{i}}^{2}
$$

## The sparse Jacobian and its factor graph

- The key in modern SLAM is to exploit sparsity
- Factor graphs represent the sparse block structure in the resulting sparse Jacobian $\mathbf{A}$.



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## Image Analysis

## Image Segmentation:

- Thresholding techniques
- Clustering methods for segmentation
- Morphological operations.

Image feature extraction:

- Feature extraction
- Feature selection.


## Introduction to Machine Learning:

- Pattern classification
- Training of classifiers (supervised learning)
- Parametric and non-parametric methods
- Discriminant functions
- Dimensionality reduction.



## Image Segmentation

## Methods:

- Active contours (Snakes, Scissors, Level Sets)
- Split and merge (Watershed, Divisive \& agglomerative clustering, Graph-based segmentation)
- Gray level thresholding
- K-means (parametric clustering)
- Mean shift (non-parametric clustering)
- Normalized cuts
- Graph cuts.



## Feature Extraction

The goal is to generate features that exhibit high information-packing properties:

- Extract the information from the raw data that is most relevant for discrimination between the classes
- Extract features with low within-class variability and high between class variability

Feature types (regional features)

- Colour features
- Shape features
- Histogram (texture) features:
- Mean gray level
- Variance
- Skewness
- Kurtosis
- Entropy
- ...



## Introduction to Machine learning

Discrimination between classes (pattern recognition, classification)


## Classifiers and training methods

- Bayes classifier
- Nearest-neighbors and K-nearest-neighbors
- Parzen windows
- Linear and higher order discriminant functions
- Neural nets
- Support Vector Machines (SVM)
- Decision trees
- Random forest



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## Detection and recognition with deep learning

Introduction to deep learning:

- Deep learning
- Artificial neural networks
- Convolutional neural networks (CNN)


Deep learning

## Deep Learning for Object Recognition



Millions of images


Millions of parameters
$\Rightarrow$ «Ship»

Thousands of classes

