Camera calibration

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Outline

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- Camera projection models
- Camera calibration
- Nonlinear least square methods

Announcements

- Project #2 is due midnight next Wednesday
- 3-day extension for project #1 artifacts voting due to some technical problems. More than 50 have votes, but around 10 can't vote due to technical problem with voting system. Please vote by the end of Sunday if you have not.

Camera projection models





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Pinhole camera model

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through the edge of the lens

Two kinds of parameters

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- internal or intrinsic parameters such as focal length, optical center, aspect ratio: what kind of camera?
- *external* or *extrinsic* (pose) parameters • including rotation and translation: where is the camera?

Other projection models



Orthographic projection



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- Special case of perspective projection
 - Distance from the COP to the PP is infinite



- Also called "parallel projection": $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (x, y)$

Other types of projections



- Scaled orthographic
 - Also called "weak perspective"

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1/d \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (dx, dy)$$

- Affine projection
 - Also called "paraperspective"

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr}a&b&c&d\\e&f&g&h\\0&0&0&1\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{r}x\\y\\z\\1\end{array}\right]$$



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Illusion



Fun with perspective

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Perspective cues





Perspective cues







Camera calibration

 Estimate both intrinsic and extrinsic parameters. Two main categories:

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- 1. Photometric calibration: uses reference objects with known geometry
- 2. Self calibration: only assumes static scene, e.g. structure from motion

Camera calibration approaches

- 1. linear regression (least squares)
- 2. nonlinear optimization



Chromaglyphs (HP research)



Camera calibration







- image
- Disadvantages:
 - Doesn't tell us about particular parameters
 - Mixes up internal and external parameters
 - pose specific: move the camera and everything breaks
 - More unknowns than true degrees of freedom

Nonlinear optimization

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- A probabilistic view of least square
- Feature measurement equations

$$u_i = f(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{x}_i) + n_i = \hat{u}_i + n_i, \quad n_i \sim N(0, \sigma)$$

$$v_i = g(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{x}_i) + m_i = \hat{v}_i + m_i, \quad m_i \sim N(0, \sigma)$$

• Probability of M given $\{(u_i, v_i)\}$

$$P = \prod_{i} p(u_i | \hat{u}_i) p(v_i | \hat{v}_i)$$

=
$$\prod_{i} e^{-(u_i - \hat{u}_i)^2 / \sigma^2} e^{-(v_i - \hat{v}_i)^2 / \sigma^2}$$



Normal equation

Given an overdetermined system

 $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$

the normal equation is that which minimizes the sum of the square differences between left and right sides

 $\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{b}$

Optimal estimation

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• Likelihood of M given $\{(u_i, v_i)\}$

$$L = -\log P = \sum_{i} (u_i - \hat{u}_i)^2 / \sigma_i^2 + (v_i - \hat{v}_i)^2 / \sigma_i^2$$

• It is a least square problem (but not necessarily linear least square)

Nonlinear least square methods

• How do we minimize *L*?

Optimal estimation

• Non-linear regression (least squares), because the relations between \hat{u}_i and u_i are non-linear functions of **M** unknown parameters

We could have terms like $f \cos \theta$ in this

$$\mathbf{u} - \hat{\mathbf{u}} \sim \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{k} \\ \mathbf{k} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}$$

• We can use Levenberg-Marquardt method to minimize it

Least square fitting



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Linear least square fitting

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Function minimization

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Least square is related to function minimization.

Global Minimizer Given $F : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}$. Find $\mathbf{x}^+ = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{x}} \{F(\mathbf{x})\}$.

It is very hard to solve in general. Here, we only consider a simpler problem of finding local minimum.

> **Local Minimizer** Given $F : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}$. Find \mathbf{x}^* so that $F(\mathbf{x}^*) \leq F(\mathbf{x}) \text{ for } \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^*\| < \delta$.

Nonlinear least square fitting

model $M(t; \mathbf{x}) = x_3 e^{x_1 t} + x_4 e^{x_2 t}$ parameters $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, x_4, x_4]^T$ residuals $f_i(\mathbf{x}) = y_i - M(t_i; \mathbf{x})$ $= y_i - (x_3 e^{x_1 t} + x_4 e^{x_2 t})$

Function minimization

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We assume that the cost function F is differentiable and so smooth that the following *Taylor expansion* is valid,²⁾

$$F(\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{h}) = F(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{g} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{h} + O(\|\mathbf{h}\|^3),$$

where g is the gradient,

$$\mathbf{g} \equiv \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix},$$

and H is the Hessian,

$$\mathbf{H} \equiv \mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x}) = \left[\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(\mathbf{x})\right]$$





c) saddle point

a) minimum

b) maximum

Function minimization

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Theorem 1.8. Sufficient condition for a local minimizer.

Assume that \mathbf{x}_s is a stationary point and that $\mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x}_s)$ is positive definite. Then \mathbf{x}_s is a local minimizer.

> $F(\mathbf{x}_{s}+\mathbf{h}) = F(\mathbf{x}_{s}) + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{H}_{s}\mathbf{h} + O(\|\mathbf{h}\|^{3})$ with $\mathbf{H}_{s} = \mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x}_{s})$

If we request that H_s is *positive definite*, then its eigenvalues are greater than some number $\delta > 0$

$$\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{H}_{\mathsf{s}}\mathbf{h} > \delta \|\mathbf{h}\|^2$$

Descent direction

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 $F(\mathbf{x}+\alpha\mathbf{h}) = F(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) + O(\alpha^2)$ $\simeq F(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha \mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x})$ for α sufficiently small.

Definition Descent direction.

h is a descent direction for F at **x** if $\mathbf{h}^{\top} \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) < 0$.

Descent methods

$$\mathbf{x}_0, \ \mathbf{x}_1, \ \mathbf{x}_2, \ \ldots, \ \mathbf{x}_k \ o \ \mathbf{x}^*$$
 for $k o \infty$

- Find a descent direction h_d
- find a step length giving a good decrease in the *F*-value. 2.

Algorithm Descent method

begin	
$k := 0; \mathbf{x} := \mathbf{x}_0; found := false$	{Starting point}
while (not found) and $(k < k_{\max})$	
$\mathbf{h}_{d} := \text{search} \operatorname{direction}(\mathbf{x})$	$\{From \mathbf{x} and downhill\}$
if (no such h exists)	
found := true	$\{\mathbf{x} \text{ is stationary}\}$
else	
$\alpha := \text{step_length}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}_{d})$	$\{\text{from } \mathbf{x} \text{ in direction } \mathbf{h}_d\}$
$\mathbf{x} := \mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{h}_{d}; k := k + 1$	{next iterate}
end	

Steepest descent method

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$$\begin{aligned} F(\mathbf{x}+\alpha\mathbf{h}) &= F(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) + O(\alpha^2) \\ &\simeq F(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha\mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{for } \alpha \text{ sufficiently small.} \\ \\ \frac{F(\mathbf{x}) - F(\mathbf{x}+\alpha\mathbf{h})}{\alpha\|\mathbf{h}\|} &= -\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{h}\|} \mathbf{h}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) = -\|\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x})\|\cos\theta \end{aligned}$$

the decrease of F(x) per unit along h direction greatest gain rate if $\theta = \pi \rightarrow \mathbf{h}_{sd} = -\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x})$ h_{sd} is a descent direction because $h_{sd}^{T} F'(x) = -F'(x)^2 < 0$





Newton's method

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- \mathbf{x}^* is a stationary point \rightarrow it satisfies $\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}$.
- $\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}) &= \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{h} + O(\|\mathbf{h}\|^2) \\ &\simeq \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{h} \quad \text{for } \|\mathbf{h}\| \text{ sufficiently small} \\ &\longrightarrow \mathbf{H} \mathbf{h}_n = -\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{with } \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{F}''(\mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$
 - $\mathbf{x} := \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}_n$

Suppose that ${\bf H}$ is positive definite

 $\rightarrow \mathbf{u}^{\top} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{u} > 0 \text{ for all nonzero } \mathbf{u}.$ $\rightarrow 0 < \mathbf{h}_n^{\top} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{h}_n = -\mathbf{h}_n^{\top} \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) \quad \mathbf{h}_n \text{ is a descent direction}$ It has good performance in the final stage of the iterative

It has good performance in the final stage of the iterative process, where x is close to x^* .

Hybrid method

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{if } \mathbf{F}^{\prime\prime}(\mathbf{x}) \text{ is positive definite} \\ \mathbf{h} := \mathbf{h}_n \\ \text{else} \\ \mathbf{h} := \mathbf{h}_{sd} \\ \mathbf{x} := \mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{h} \end{array}$

This needs to calculate second-order derivative which might not be available.

Levenberg-Marquardt method

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 LM can be thought of as a combination of steepest descent and the Newton method.
When the current solution is far from the correct one, the algorithm behaves like a steepest descent method: slow, but guaranteed to converge. When the current solution is close to the correct solution, it becomes a Newton's method.

Nonlinear least square

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Given a set of measurements \mathbf{x} , try to find the best parameter vector \mathbf{p} so that the squared distance $\varepsilon^T \varepsilon$ is minimal. Here, $\varepsilon = \mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}$, with $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = f(\mathbf{p})$.

Levenberg-Marguardt method

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Global minimum at (1, 1)

Levenberg-Marguardt method

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- $\mu=0 \rightarrow$ Newton's method
- $\mu \rightarrow \infty \rightarrow$ steepest descent method
- Strategy for choosing µ
 - Start with some small µ
 - If F is not reduced, keep trying larger μ until it does
 - If F is reduced, accept it and reduce μ for the next iteration

Steepest descent $\mathbf{X}_{k+1} = \mathbf{X}_k - \alpha \mathbf{g}$ $\alpha = \frac{\mathbf{h}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{h}}{\mathbf{h}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{h}}$



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$\mathbf{X}_{k+1} = \mathbf{X}_k - \mathbf{H}^{-1}\mathbf{g}$

• With the approximate Hessian

Newton's method

 $\mathbf{H} \approx \mathbf{J}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{J}$

- No need for second derivative
- H is positive semi-definite



Newton's method (48 evaluations)



Levenberg-Marquardt



- Blends steepest descent and Gauss-Newton
- At each step, solve for the descent direction h

 $(\mathbf{J}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{J} + \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{h} = -\mathbf{g}$

- If λ large, $\,h\approx -g\,$, steepest descent
- If λ small, $\boldsymbol{h} \approx (\boldsymbol{J}^T \boldsymbol{J})^{-1} \boldsymbol{g}$, Gauss-Newton



Step 2: specify corner order



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Step 3: corner extraction



Step 3: corner extraction





Step 4: minimize projection error







Example of calibration

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- Videos from GaTech
- DasTatoo, MakeOf
- <u>P!NG</u>, <u>MakeOf</u>
- Work, MakeOf
- LifeInPaints, MakeOf

PhotoBook



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