Computer Vision: Lecture 5

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Todays Lecture

Two view geometry

- Relative orientation of two cameras
- The epipolar constraints
- The uncalibrated case: The Fundamental Matrix
- The 8-point algorithm



Given



Two images and corresponding points.

Compute



The structure (3D-points) and the motion (camera matrices).



Mathematical Formulation

Given two sets of corresponding points $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}$ and $\{\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i\}$, compute camera matrices P_1 , P_2 and 3D-points $\{\mathbf{X}_i\}$ such that

$$\lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i = P_1 \mathbf{X}_i$$

and

$$\bar{\lambda}_i \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i = P_2 \mathbf{X}_i.$$



Ambiguities (uncalibrated case)

Can always apply a projective transformation ${\cal H}$ to archive a different solution

$$\lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i = P_1 H H^{-1} \mathbf{X}_i = \tilde{P}_1 \tilde{\mathbf{X}}_i$$

and

$$\bar{\lambda}_i \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i = P_2 H H^{-1} \mathbf{X}_i = \tilde{P}_2 \tilde{\mathbf{X}}_i.$$



Simplification

If $P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & t_1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} A_2 & t_2 \end{bmatrix}$, apply the transformation

$$\mathcal{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}_1^{-1} & -\mathcal{A}_1^{-1}t_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$P_1H = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & t_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_1^{-1} & -A_1^{-1}t_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, we may assume that the cameras are

 $P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} A & t \end{bmatrix}$





Consider a single point \mathbf{x} in the first image. Any point on the line projects to this point.



Any point on the projection of the 3D line can correspond to \mathbf{x} .









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The projected lines should all meet in a point. The so called **epipole** is the projection of the camera center of the other camera.





The epipole e_1 is the projection of the C_2 in P_1 . The epipole e_2 is the projection of the C_1 in P_2 . e_1, e_2 usually outside field of view.



Exercise 1

Compute the epipoles for the camera pair $P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$$P_2=\left(egin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array}
ight),$$

and verify that \mathbf{e}_2 lies on the epipolar line of $\mathbf{x} = (0, 1, 1)$.



Exercise 2

If $P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$$P_2 = \left(egin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array}
ight),$$

which of the two points $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1 = (1, 2, 1)$ and $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_2 = (1, 1, 1)$ in image 2 could correspond to $\mathbf{x} = (0, 1, 1)$ in image 1?



Exercise 3

Let $P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$$P_2 = \left(egin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array}
ight).$$

Compute the fundamental matrix F and verify that $F\mathbf{e}_1 = 0$, $\mathbf{e}_2^T F = 0$ and det(F) = 0.



Estimating F

If \mathbf{x}_i and $\mathbf{\bar{x}}_i$ corresponding points

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i^T F \mathbf{x}_i = 0.$$

If $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_i, y_i, z_i)$ and $\mathbf{\bar{x}}_i = (\bar{x}_i, \bar{y}_i, \bar{z}_i)$ then

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{i}^{T} F \mathbf{x}_{i} = F_{11} \bar{x}_{i} x_{i} + F_{12} \bar{x}_{i} y_{i} + F_{13} \bar{x}_{i} z_{i} + F_{21} \bar{y}_{i} x_{i} + F_{22} \bar{y}_{i} y_{i} + F_{23} \bar{y}_{i} z_{i} + F_{31} \bar{z}_{i} x_{i} + F_{32} \bar{z}_{i} y_{i} + F_{33} \bar{z}_{i} z_{i}$$



Estimating F

In matrix form (one row for each correspondence):



Solve using homogeneous least squares (svd). *F* has 9 entries (but the scale is arbitrary). Need at least 8 equations (point correspondences).

Issues

Resulting F may not have det(F) = 0. Pick the closest matrix A with det(A) = 0.

Can be solved using svd, in matlab:

$$[U, S, V] = svd(F);$$

 $S(3,3) = 0;$
 $A = U * S * V';$



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Issues

Normalization needed (see DLT).

If x_1 and $\bar{x}_1 \approx 1000$ pixels, the coefficients $z_1\bar{z}_1 = 1$, $x_1\bar{z}_1 = 1000$ and $x_1\bar{x}_1 = 1000000$. May give poor numerics.

Not normalized:

Normalized:



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The 8-point algorithm

- Extract at least 8 point correspondences.
- Normalize the coordinates (see DLT).
- Form *M* and solve

$$\min_{|v||^2=1} ||Mv||^2,$$

using svd.

- Form the matrix F (ensure that det(F) = 0).
- Transform back to the original coordinates.
- Compute a pair of cameras from F (next lecture).
- Compute the scene points (next lecture).



Demo.



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Relative Orientation - Reduced Formulation.

Original Formulation

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 and $\bar{\lambda}_i \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i = P_2 \mathbf{X}_i$.

Reduced Formulation

Given two sets of corresponding points $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}$ and $\{\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i\}$, compute a fundamental matrix $F = [e_2]_{\times}A$ such that

$$\mathbf{\bar{x}}_i^T F \mathbf{x}_i = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots$$

The scene points have been eliminated! Next time: extracting cameras from F.

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To do

- Start working on Assignment 3. Theory for E1,E2,E3,CE1,E4,CE2 is done.
- Search for "The Fundamental Matrix Song" on youtube.

