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## HW3

Vision Aided Navigation

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Question 1 : Consider a prior  $p(x) = N(\hat{x}_0, \Sigma_0)$  on random variable  $x$  and two measurements from different observation models

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 &= h_1(x) + v_1 \\ z_2 &= h_2(x) + v_2 \end{aligned}$$

with  $v_1 \sim N(0, \Sigma_{v1})$  and  $v_2 \sim N(0, \Sigma_{v2})$ .

- (a) Develop an expression for the posteriori information matrix  $I = \Sigma^{-1}$ , such that  $p(x|z_1, z_2) = N(\mu, \Sigma)$ .

$$p(x, z_1, z_2) \underset{CR}{=} p(x|z_1, z_2) \cdot p(z_1, z_2)$$

$$p(x, z_1, z_2) \underset{CR}{=} p(z_1, z_2|x) \cdot p(x)$$

*Comparing both right sides give us the bayes rule*

$$p(x|z_1, z_2) = \frac{p(z_1, z_2|x)p(x)}{p(z_1, z_2)} \underset{indep.}{=} \frac{p(z_1|x)p(z_2|x)p(x)}{p(z_1, z_2)} = \eta^{-1} p(z_1|x)p(z_2|x)p(x)$$

*We can write each of the terms explicitly*

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{((2\pi)^k |\Sigma_0|)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \hat{x}_0)^T \Sigma_0^{-1}(x - \hat{x}_0)\right) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

$$p(z_1|x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{((2\pi)^{m_1} |\Sigma_{v_1}|)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(z_1 - h_1(x))^T \Sigma_{v_1}^{-1}(z_1 - h_1(x))\right) \quad z_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1}$$

$$p(z_2|x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{((2\pi)^{m_2} |\Sigma_{v_2}|)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(z_2 - h_2(x))^T \Sigma_{v_2}^{-1}(z_2 - h_2(x))\right) \quad z_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{m_2}$$

*Maximizing likelihood*

$$x^* = \underset{x}{argmax}(p(x|z_1, z_2)) = \underset{x}{argmin}(-\log(p(x|z_1, z_2)))$$

$$= \underset{x}{argmin}((x - \hat{x}_0)^T \Sigma_0^{-1}(x - \hat{x}_0) + (z_1 - h_1(x))^T \Sigma_{v_1}^{-1}(z_1 - h_1(x)) + (z_2 - h_2(x))^T \Sigma_{v_2}^{-1}(z_2 - h_2(x)))$$

$$= \underset{x}{argmin} \left( \left\| \Sigma_0^{-\frac{1}{2}}(x - \hat{x}_0) \right\|^2 + \left\| \Sigma_{v_1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(z_1 - h_1(x)) \right\|^2 + \left\| \Sigma_{v_2}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(z_2 - h_2(x)) \right\|^2 \right)$$

*We linearize  $h_2(x), h_1(x)$  around  $\hat{x}_0$*

$$h_1(x) \approx h_1(\hat{x}_0) + \left. \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial x} \right|_{\hat{x}_0} (x - \hat{x}_0) = h_1(\hat{x}_0) + H_1(x - \hat{x}_0)$$

$$h_2(x) \approx h_2(\hat{x}_0) + \left. \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial x} \right|_{\hat{x}_0} (x - \hat{x}_0) = h_2(\hat{x}_0) + H_2(x - \hat{x}_0)$$

In this way we can write

$$x^* = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( \left\| \Sigma_0^{-\frac{1}{2}}(x - \hat{x}_0) \right\|^2 + \left\| \Sigma_{v_1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(z_1 - h_1(\hat{x}_0) - H_1(x - \hat{x}_0)) \right\|^2 + \left\| \Sigma_{v_2}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(z_2 - h_2(\hat{x}_0) - H_2(x - \hat{x}_0)) \right\|^2 \right)$$

Denoting  $A, b$  as follows

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_0^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ -\Sigma_{v_1}^{-\frac{1}{2}} H_1 \\ -\Sigma_{v_2}^{-\frac{1}{2}} H_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_0^{-\frac{1}{2}} \hat{x}_0 \\ -\Sigma_{v_1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(z_1 - h_1(\hat{x}_0)) - H_1 \hat{x}_0 \\ -\Sigma_{v_2}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(z_2 - h_2(\hat{x}_0)) - H_2 \hat{x}_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x^* = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} ( \|Ax - b\|^2 ) = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} ( \|Ax - b\| )$$

We can now apply Pseudo – Inverse to obtain  $x^*$  that minimizes the linear expression's norm

$$x^* = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

We know that the covariance is

$$\Sigma = (A^T A)^{-1}$$

Hence, the information matrix is just

$$I = A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_0^{-\frac{T}{2}} & -H_1^T \Sigma_{v_1}^{-\frac{T}{2}} & -H_2^T \Sigma_{v_2}^{-\frac{T}{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_0^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ -\Sigma_{v_1}^{-\frac{1}{2}} H_1 \\ -\Sigma_{v_2}^{-\frac{1}{2}} H_2 \end{bmatrix} = \boxed{\Sigma_0^{-1} + H_1^T \Sigma_{v_1}^{-1} H_1 + H_2^T \Sigma_{v_2}^{-1} H_2}$$

(b) Consider now a pinhole camera sensor with the corresponding measurement model:  $z = \pi(x, l) + v$  ,  $v \sim N(0, \Sigma_v)$ ,

An image observation  $z$  of a landmark  $l$  is obtained. Additionally, a prior  $p(l) = N(\hat{l}_0, \Sigma_{l_0})$  on  $l$  is available. Indicate what is the initial re-projection error.

We assume this measurement  $z$  was provided after  $z_1, z_2$  were incorporated to the prior.

$$e_0 = z - \pi \left( \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmax}} (p(x|z_1, z_2)), \underset{l}{\operatorname{argmax}} (p(l)) \right) = \boxed{z - \pi(x^*, \hat{l}_0)}$$

(c) Write an expression for the joint pdf  $p(x, l|z_1, z_2, z)$  in terms of prior and measurement likelihood terms.

$$\begin{aligned} p(x, l|z_1, z_2, z) &\stackrel{\text{bayes}}{=} \frac{p(z_1, z_2, z|x, l)p(x, l)}{p(z_1, z_2, z)} \stackrel{\text{indep.}}{=} \frac{p(z_1, z_2|x)p(z|x, l)p(x)p(l)}{p(z_1, z_2, z)} \\ &\stackrel{\text{bayes}}{=} \frac{p(x|z_1, z_2)p(z_1, z_2)p(z|x, l)p(l)}{p(z_1, z_2, z)} \stackrel{\text{indep.}}{=} \boxed{\frac{1}{p(z)} p(x|z_1, z_2)p(z|x, l)p(l)} \end{aligned}$$

- (d) Develop an expression for the joint information matrix  $I'$  over  $x$  and  $l$  as in  $p(x, l|z_1, z_2, z) = N(x, I'^{-1})$ . consider  $p(x|z_1, z_2) = N(\mu, \Sigma)$  is given.

On this section we will shorthand a few steps that have been fully covered in the section (a).

$$\begin{aligned} [x^*, l^*] &= \underset{x, l}{\operatorname{argmin}} (-\log(p(x, l|z_1, z_2, z))) = \\ &= \underset{x, l}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( \left\| \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}}(x - \mu) \right\|^2 + \left\| \Sigma_v^{-\frac{1}{2}}(z - \pi(x, l)) \right\|^2 + \left\| \Sigma_{l_0}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(l - \hat{l}_0) \right\|^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

We need to linearize  $\pi(x, l)$ :

$$\pi(x, l) \approx \pi(\mu, \hat{l}_0) + \nabla_x \pi|_{\mu, \hat{l}_0}(x - \mu) + \nabla_l \pi|_{\mu, \hat{l}_0}(l - \hat{l}_0) = \pi(\mu, \hat{l}_0) + J_x(x - \mu) + J_l(l - \hat{l}_0)$$

Hence

$$[x^*, l^*] = \underset{x, l}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( \left\| \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}}(x - \mu) \right\|^2 + \left\| \Sigma_v^{-\frac{1}{2}}(z - \pi(\mu, \hat{l}_0) + J_x(x - \mu) + J_l(l - \hat{l}_0)) \right\|^2 + \left\| \Sigma_{l_0}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(l - \hat{l}_0) \right\|^2 \right)$$

Denoting

$$\Theta = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ l \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}} & 0 \\ -\Sigma_v^{-\frac{1}{2}} J_x & -\Sigma_v^{-\frac{1}{2}} J_l \\ 0 & \Sigma_{l_0}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma^{-1/2} \mu \\ -\Sigma_v^{-\frac{1}{2}} (z - \pi(\mu, \hat{l}_0)) \\ \Sigma_{l_0}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \hat{l}_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{We can write: } [x^*, l^*] = \underset{x, l}{\operatorname{argmin}} (||A\Theta - b||)$$

Least squares solution using pseudo inverse will provide the following information matrix:

$$I' = A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma^{-1} + J_x^T \Sigma_v^{-1} J_x & J_x^T \Sigma_v^{-1} J_l \\ J_x^T \Sigma_v^{-1} J_l & \Sigma_0^{-1} + J_l^T \Sigma_v^{-1} J_l \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 2 : Consider two camera poses  $x_1 = (R_1, t_1)$  and  $x_2 = (R_2, t_2)$ , where the following convention is assume.

$$R_i = R_{C_i}^G, \quad t_i = t_{C_i \rightarrow G}^G, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Here, the superscript  $G$  denotes some global reference frame. Assume each camera captures an image and let  $z_1 = (u_1, v_1)^T$  and  $z_2 = (u_2, v_2)^T$  be two corresponding image observations from these two images.

- (a) Develop the epipolar constraint, expressing all quantities in the second camera frame. Express the constraint in the form  $h(x_1, x_2, z_1, z_2) = 0$ .

*In general*

$$z = M_1 X = K[R|t]X$$

$$q_i = K^{-1}z_i = [R|t]X$$

*Define the transformation from 1 to 2*

$$R_1^2 = R_{C_1}^{C_2} = R_2^T R_1$$

$$t_{2 \rightarrow 1}^2 = t_{C_2 \rightarrow C_1}^2 = R_2^T(t_2 - t_1)$$

*both cameras in the second camera coordinate*

$$z_1 = M_1 X = K_1[R_1^2|t_{2 \rightarrow 1}^2]X$$

$$z_2 = M_2 X = K_2[I|0]X$$

*Assuming cameras calibration matrices are known  $K_1, K_2$*

$$q_1 = K_1^{-1}z_1 = [R_1^2|t_{2 \rightarrow 1}^2]X$$

$$q_2 = K_2^{-1}z_2 = [I|0]X$$

*Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  be some unknown parameters.  $\|\lambda_1 q_1\|$  is the distance to  $X$ .*

$$\lambda_2 q_2 = R_1^2 \lambda_1 q_1 + t_{2 \rightarrow 1}^2$$

*Eliminate  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  algebraically.*

$$t_{2 \rightarrow 1}^2: [t]_x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -t_3 & t_2 \\ t_3 & 0 & -t_1 \\ -t_2 & t_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Multiply by  $[t]_x$*

$$\lambda_2 [t]_x q_2 = \lambda_1 [t]_x R_1^2 q_1 + [t]_x t \rightarrow [t]_x t = 0$$

*Multiply by  $q_2^T$  as shown at the lecture*

$$\lambda_2 q_2^T [t]_x q_2 = \lambda_1 q_2^T [t]_x R_1^2 q_1 \rightarrow q_2^T [t]_x q_2 = 0$$

$$\boxed{q_2^T [t]_x R_1^2 q_1 = q_2^T [t]_x (R_2^T R_1) q_1 = 0}$$

$$\text{Essential matrix: } E = [t]_x (R_2^T R_1)$$

$$\text{Fundamental matrix: } F = K_2^{-T} E K_1^{-1}$$

$$\text{Epipolar constraint: } z_2^T F z_1 = 0$$

$$\boxed{h(x_1, x_2, z_1, z_2) = z_2^T F(x_1, x_2) z_1 = 0}$$

- (b) Assume the true values of the camera poses  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are not actually known, and instead we have a prior on each camera

$$p(x_1) = N(\mu_0, \Sigma_{01}) \quad , \quad p(x_2) = N(\mu_0, \Sigma_{02}).$$

Assume the residual error in the epipolar constraint from the previous clause can be modeled as zero-mean Gaussian with covariance  $\Sigma_{ep}$ , derive a probabilistic expression for MAP  $p(x_1, x_2 | z_1, z_2)$ .

*The model we obtained in the previous section with the added Gaussian Noise:*

$$h(x_1, x_2, z_1, z_2) = z_2^T F(x_1, x_2) z_1 + v \quad , \quad v \sim N(0, \Sigma_{ep})$$

$$p(x_1, x_2 | z_1, z_2) \stackrel{BR}{=} \frac{p(z_1, z_2 | x_1, x_2) p(x_1) p(x_2)}{p(z_1, z_2)} = \eta p(z_1, z_2 | x_1, x_2) p(x_1) p(x_2)$$

*To find the MAP estimate we'll use*

$$\underset{x_1, x_2}{\operatorname{argmax}} (p(x_1, x_2 | z_1, z_2)) = \underset{x_1, x_2}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( \|h(x_1, x_2, z_1, z_2)\|_{\Sigma_{ep}}^2 + \|x_1 - \mu_{01}\|_{\Sigma_{01}}^2 + \|x_2 - \mu_{02}\|_{\Sigma_{02}}^2 \right)$$

Question 3: Prove the fundamental matrix is singular.

$$\det(F) = \det(K_2^{-T} E K_1^{-1}) = \det(K_2^{-T}) \det(E) \det(K_1^{-1})$$

To prove that  $F$  is singular we need to prove that  $E$  is singular:

We developed the Essential matrix in the previous question:

$$E = [t]_x (R_2^T R_1)$$

$$\det(E) = \det([t]_x) \cdot \det(R_2^T R_1)$$

The determinant of a Rotation matrix cannot be singular as it just transforms representations. It is not allowed to have a kernel space. In-fact,  $|\det(R)| = 1$ .

Hence, we need to prove that  $\det([t]_x) = 0$

$$\det([t]_x) = \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -t_z & t_y \\ t_z & 0 & -t_x \\ -t_y & t_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = t_z t_x t_y - t_y t_x t_z = 0$$

Blackbox.