

Computer Vision - CSE 344/544

Make up Final Exam - Jun 26, 2023

Maximum score: 70

Time: 2 hours

Instructions:

1. There are six questions with a maximum of 40 extra credit points that can be earned.
2. Please show relevant steps of your calculations to get full credit.
3. For true/false questions : true statements are *always* true; for false statements, there exists at least one example for which the statement does not hold.
4. \mathcal{P}^n is the n-dimensional projective space. $\mathbb{R}^{p \times q}$ denotes the space of $p \times q$ real matrices. \mathbb{R}^p denotes the p -dimensional real vector space.

1. (20 points) State whether the following statements are **true** or **false** with appropriate justification.

- a) Matrices $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, both have rank r . $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$ will always have rank r .
- b) In the image formation pipeline, the world to camera coordinate transformation is strictly an affine transformation.
- c) Projective transformations guarantee that parallel lines will remain parallel.
- d) The effect of radial distortion reduces as you radially move away from the principal point.
- e) A line in \mathcal{P}^2 is represented by the 3-dimensional vector normal to the plane passing through the origin and the line.
- f) An image should be smoothed before computing the gradient.
- g) Identifying the line at infinity is sufficient to remove projective distortion from the image of a 3D plane.
- h) In a stereo system, both epipoles lie on the an epipolar plane.
- i) In the Harris corner detection approach, an edge is detected if the second moment matrix \mathbf{H} is rank-deficient and has large $\|\mathbf{H}\|_2$
- j) For line detection using Hough transforms, a point in the image space corresponds to a circle in the Hough parameter space.

2. (20 points) (Extra Credit) Let $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in \mathcal{P}^2$ and \mathbf{l} be a line passing through them such that $\mathbf{l}^\top \mathbf{x}_i = 0$, $i = 1, 2$. If $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ is a 2D projective transformation such that $\mathbf{x}'_i = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_i$, derive the expression for the line \mathbf{l}' passing through the transformed points $\mathbf{x}'_1, \mathbf{x}'_2$, in terms of \mathbf{H} and \mathbf{l} .

3. (20 points)

- a) What are the steps taken in Canny edge detection?
- b) Write the pseudo-code for the Hough Transform for identifying lines in an image.

4. (*30 points*) Say you have two uncalibrated images and your goal is to estimate the fundamental matrix \mathbf{F} . Write the epipolar constraint in terms of the \mathbf{F} . What metric would you use for matching SIFT feature points to obtain point correspondences between two images? What exactly does an element in the 128-dimensional SIFT keypoint descriptor signify? How many point correspondences would you need to estimate \mathbf{F} ? Since SIFT cannot guarantee correct matches, a usual least squares approach may give you poor estimates. What method can you use for robust estimation of \mathbf{F} using the SIFT matches, some of which may be incorrect?