

EN2550 Assignment 2 on Fitting and Alignment

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1. The code snippet in Listing 1 shows the code to generate a noisy point set X amounting to a circle and the code to estimate a circle—center and the radius—from a set of inliers in X .
 - (a) Estimate the circle using the RANSAC algorithm (must be coded on your own).
 - (b) Show in the same plot, the point set, the circle estimated from the sample leading to the best estimate, this sample of three points, inliers, and the best-fit circle. See Figure 1 for an example.

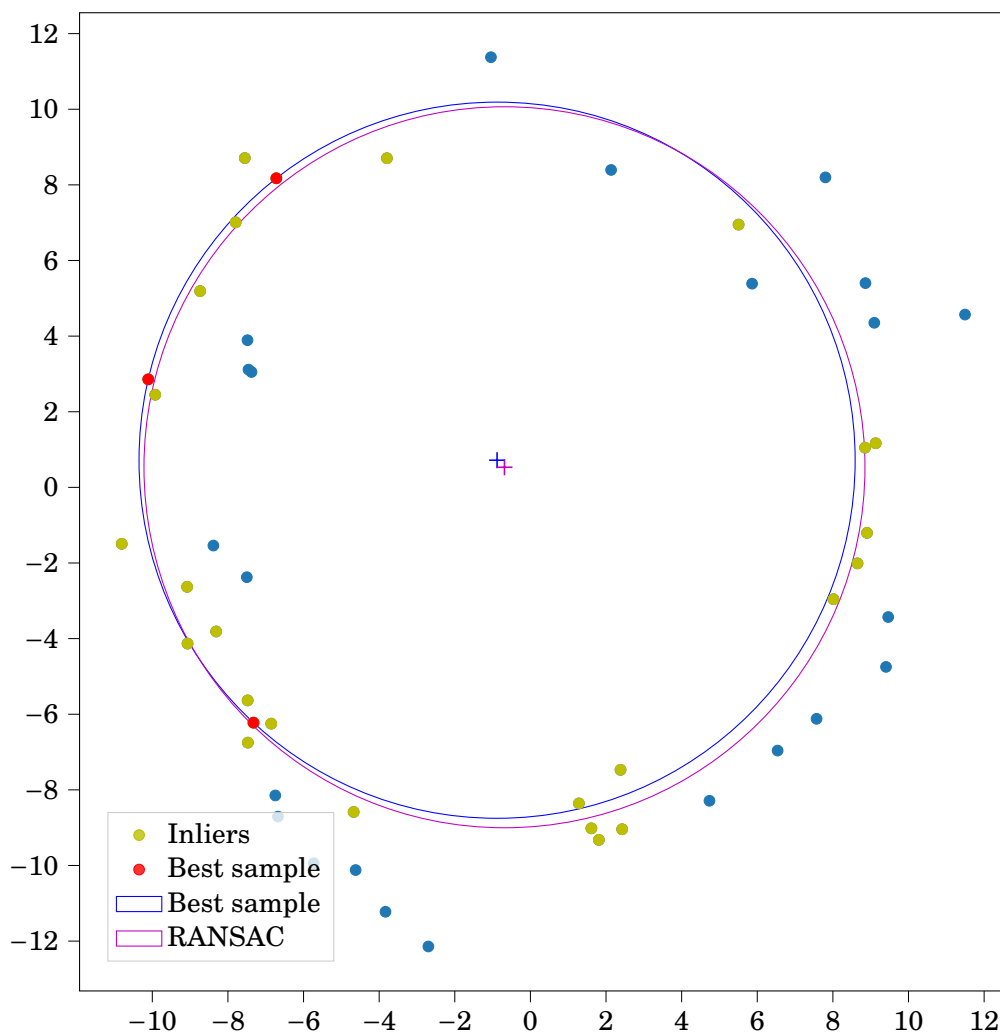


Figure 1: Circle fitting with RANSAC.

2. Figure 2 shows an architectural image¹ with a flag² superimposed. This is done by clicking four points on a planar surface in the architectural image, computing a homography that maps the flag image to this plane, and warping the flag, and blending on to the architectural image. Carry this out for a couple of image pairs of your own choice. You *may* explain the (non-technical) rationale of your choice.
3. In this questions, we will stitch the two Graffiti image³ img1.ppm onto img5.ppm.

¹<https://www.robots.ox.ac.uk/vgg/data/mview/>

²https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flag_of_the_United_Kingdom

³<https://www.robots.ox.ac.uk/vgg/data/affine/>

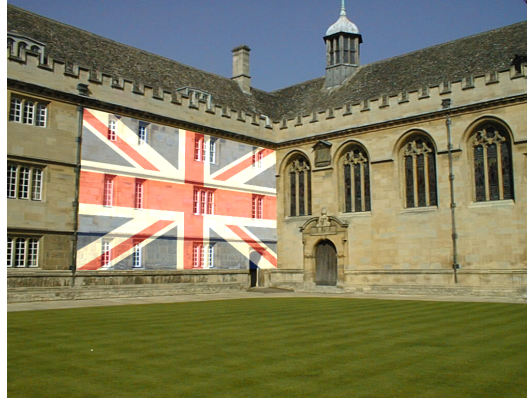


Figure 2: Wadham College image with the British flag superimposed.

- Compute and match SIFT features between the two images.
- Compute the homography using your own code within RANSAC and compare with the homography given in the dataset.
- Stitch img1.ppm onto img5.ppm.

Listing 1: Circle Estimation

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import numpy as np
from scipy.optimize import minimize
from scipy import linalg
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
# np.random.seed(0)
N = 50
r = 10
s = r/8
t = np.random.uniform(0, 2*np.pi, N)
n = s*np.random.randn(N)
x, y = (r + n)*np.cos(t), (r + n)*np.sin(t)
X = np.hstack((x.reshape(N,1), y.reshape(N,1)))

inliers = []
def circle_tls(x):
    return np.sum((np.abs(x[2] - linalg.norm(X[inliers, :] - x[:2], axis=1))**2)

x0 = np.array([c[0], c[1], r])
# Computing the new model using the inliers
res = minimize(circle_tls, x0, method='nelder-mead', options={'xatol': 1e-6, 'disp': True})
res.x # Estimated circle
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GitHub Profile

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Submission

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