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HW #4
Intro to Robotics
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1. Assume that you are working in a large event center which has beacons located around the facility. Estimate the location of a robot, (a,b,c), if the (x,y,z) location of the beacon and the distance from the beacon to the robot, d, are given in the table below.

| х | у | z | d |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 884 | 554 | 713 | 222 |
| 120 | 703 | 771 | 843 |
| 938 | 871 | 583 | 436 |
| 967 | 653 | 46 | 529 |
| 593 | 186 | 989 | 610 |

Using the Code in Appendix 1 I came to the following result: (x,y,z) = (883.1165, 442.99567, 521.41609)

2. If you are using a laser diode to build a distance sensor, you need some method to determine the travel time. Instead of using pulses and a clock, try using phase shifts. What is the wavelength of the modulated frequency of 10MHz?

The wavelength of a 10MHz frequency signal is c/10MHz = 29.979 meters

If you measure a 10 degree phase shift, this value corresponds to what distances?

Find the percentage of the full wavelength changed: 10/360 = 0.02777

multiple the percent by the full wavelength: 29.979 * 0.027777 = 0.83275 meters

What if the phase shift measurement has noise: zero mean with standard deviation 0.1?

0.1/360 = 0.000278% of a full wavelength

29.979 * 0.000278 = 0.008328 meters for 1 sd of error

How does one get a good estimate of position if the ranges to be measured are from 20 meters to 250 meters?

Layering multiple frequencies on the same signal is a good way of getting fine detail from the high frequencies, but maintain the range that a low frequency would give you.

9.1 Assume you have a laser triangulation system as shown in Fig. 9.2 given by (9.1) and that f=8mm, b=30cm. What are the ranges for α and u if we need to measure target distances in a region (in cm) 20 < z < 100 and 10 < x < 30?

Using the code in appendix 2 I found the following min's and max's for u and α

 $0.785 < \alpha < 1.56 \text{ rads and}$

0.08 < u < 1.18 cm

it should be noted that as $x \to 30$ you get inverse tan of (z/0) so it can't actually reach that edge of the region

9.2 Assume you have two cameras that are calibrated into a stereo pair with a baseline of 10cm, and focal depth of 7mm. If the error is 10% on v1 and v2, v1=2mm and v2=3mm, what is the error on the depth measurement z?Your answer should be a percentage relative to the error free number. Hint: If v1=2 then a 10% error ranges from 1.8 to 2.2. [Although not required, another way to approach this problem is the total differential from calculus.]

Using the code in appendix 3 I found the minimum value to be 127.2727 mm. I found the maximum value to be 155.5555 mm and the no-error value to be 140 mm. Giving me a % error of 9.09% for the min value and 11.11 for the max value.

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Appendix 1: Code for chapter 8 problem 1
def Problem1():
  import numpy as np
  import scipy as sp
  import matplotlib as mpl
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  import math as math
  # from math import *
  # Location of the beacons and distances
  L = [[884,554,713,222],[120,703,771,843],[938,871,583,436],[967,653,46,529],
[593,186,989,610]]
  def funct(x,y,z):
  F = \text{np.sqrt}((x-L[0][0])*(x-L[0][0]) + (y-L[0][1])*(y-L[0][1]) + (z-L[0][2])*(z-L[0][2])) - L[0][3]
  G = np.sqrt((x-L[1][0])*(x-L[1][0]) + (y-L[1][1])*(y-L[1][1]) + (z-L[1][2])*(z-L[1][2])) - L[1][3]
  H = np.sqrt((x-L[2][0])*(x-L[2][0]) + (y-L[2][1])*(y-L[2][1]) + (z-L[2][2])*(z-L[2][2])) - L[2][3]
  I = np.sqrt((x-L[3][0])*(x-L[3][0]) + (y-L[3][1])*(y-L[3][1]) + (z-L[3][2])*(z-L[3][2])) - L[3][3]
  K = \text{np.sqrt}((x-L[4][0])*(x-L[4][0]) + (y-L[4][1])*(y-L[4][1]) + (z-L[4][2])*(z-L[4][2])) - L[4][3]
     F=F*F
     G=G*G
     H=H*H
    |=|*|
     K=K*K
     E = F+G+H+I+K
     # print(E)
     return E
  # Numerical gradient approximation
  def grad(x,y,z):
     delta = 0.0001
     E = funct(x,y,z)
     E1 = funct(x+delta,y,z)
     E2 = funct(x,y+delta,z)
     E3 = funct(x,y,z+delta)
     dEx = (E1-E)/delta
     dEv = (E2-E)/delta
     dEz = (E3-E)/delta
     return dEx, dEy, dEz
  # The size of the vector
  def norm(r,s,q):
     return np.sqrt(r*r+s*s+q*q)
  # The step in the direction (u,v)
  def step(x,y,z, u,v,w,t):
    a = x - t*u
     b = v - t*v
     c = z - t*w
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# Globals
  x = 5000
  y = 5000
  z = 5000
  t = 20.0
  tsmall = 0.00001
  # The descent algorithm
  while (t > tsmall):
    dx, dy, dz = grad(x,y,z)
    size = norm(dx,dy,dz)
    u = dx/size
    v = dy/size
    w = dz/size
    a,b,c = step(x,y,z,u,v,w,t)
    while (funct(a,b,c) > funct(x,y,z)):
       t = 0.5*t
       a,b,c = step(x,y,z,u,v,w,t)
    x,y,z = a,b,c
  print(x, y, z)
Problem1()
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return a, b, c

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Appendix 2: Chapter 9 problem 1 def Problem12():

import numpy as np import scipy as sp import matplotlib as mpl import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import math as math

z = [20,20,100,100]
x = [10,29,10,29]
f = 0.8
b = 30
for i in range(len(z)):
u = f/(z[i]/x[i])
alpha = np.arctan(z[i]/(b-x[i]))
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Problem12()

print(u,alpha)

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Appendix 3: Chapter 9 problem 2
def Problem22():
  import numpy as np
  import scipy as sp
  import matplotlib as mpl
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  import math as math
  f = 7
  b = 100
  v1 = [2.0, 2.2, 2.2, 1.8, 1.8]
  v2 = [3.0,3.3,2.7,3.3,2.7]
  z = []
  for i in range(len(v1)):
     z.append((f*b)/(v1[i]+v2[i]))
  z \min = \min(z)
  z_{max} = max(z)
  error_min = 100 * (z_min-z[0])/z[0]
  error_{max} = 100 * (z_{max}-z[0])/z[0]
  print("actual value: ", z[0])
  print("min value: ", z_min, "max value: ", z_max)
print("error min: ", error_min, "error max: ", error_max)
Problem22()
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