

Problem: Given an image $(u, v) \in [0, W) \times [0, H)$ sampled from 360 view by $\lambda(u) = 2\pi \frac{u}{W} - \pi$ $\phi(v) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \pi \frac{v}{H}$

1 Part 1

General Strategy outline:

- First, we want to transform the image into pixel on the viewing sphere in 3D space obtaining (λ_w, ϕ_w) .
- Then, rotate the sphere to position relative to the camera, obtaining (λ_c, ϕ_c) .
- Sample (u', v') within latitude range and longitude range $(\pi/4, -\pi/4)$ from (λ_c, ϕ_c) .

1.1 Transforming image into 3D Dome

The affine transformation $\tau : (u, v) \rightarrow (\lambda_w, \phi_w)$ can be seen as linear transformation in homogenous P^2 space, denoted by matrix multiplication:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2\pi}{W} & 0 & -\pi \\ 0 & \frac{-\pi}{H} & \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = S \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_w \\ \phi_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Computing the inverse allows us to sample points on the 3D sphere using the information in the image by

$$\begin{bmatrix} u(\lambda_w) \\ v(\phi_w) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{W}{2\pi} & 0 & \frac{W}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{-H}{\pi} & \frac{H}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_w \\ \phi_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_w \\ \phi_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

1.2 Rotating sphere to camera perspective

Applying rotation matrices on the world coordinates to obtain the camera view, we have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_c \\ \phi_c \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = P^{-1} R_{yaw}(30^\circ) R_{pitch}(10^\circ) R_{roll}(25^\circ) P \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_w \\ \phi_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= R \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_w \\ \phi_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Where R is the camera rotation matrix and P is the matrix transforming polar coordinates to cartesian coordinates. We let x be the horizontal aspect of the view, y be the vertical, and z be the depth. According to the rotations conventions, we have

$$R_{yaw}(30^\circ) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 30^\circ & 0 & -\sin 30^\circ \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin 30^\circ & 0 & \cos 30^\circ \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{y axis}$$

$$R_{pitch}(10^\circ) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos 10^\circ & -\sin 10^\circ \\ 0 & \sin 10^\circ & \cos 10^\circ \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{x axis}$$

$$R_{roll}(25^\circ) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 25^\circ & -\sin 25^\circ & 0 \\ \sin 25^\circ & \cos 25^\circ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{z axis}$$

1.3 Sampling from Camera coordinates

We sample $(u_c, v_c) \in [0, W) \times [0, H)$ with $\lambda_c(u_c) = \frac{\pi}{2W} u_c - \frac{\pi}{4}$, $\phi_c(v_c) = \frac{\pi}{2H} v_c - \frac{\pi}{4}$. This way, the range of sampled angles for $\lambda_c, \phi_c \in (-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4})$, which corresponds to a 90° viewing angle.

1.4 Putting it together

. Therefore, we can construct the perspective view image (new) from the original image (old) by composing transformations of each step. Giving us

$$New(u_c, v_c) = Old\left(S^{-1}R^{-1}\begin{bmatrix}\frac{\pi}{2W}u_c - \frac{\pi}{4} \\ \frac{\pi}{2H}v_c - \frac{\pi}{4} \\ 1\end{bmatrix}\right)$$

2 Part 2

Starting from any orientation, you can yaw $90, -90$, and 180 to obtain 3 faces. And pitch up 90 and down 90 to obtain the other 2. Therefore, let R be as defined in part 1. Then the question is to find r, p, y such that $R(r, p, y) = R_{\Delta}R(25, 10, 30)$ where $R_{\Delta} \in \{R_{yaw}(90), R_{yaw}(-90), R_{yaw}(180), R_{pitch}(90), R_{pitch}(-90)\}$