

CS-E4850 Computer Vision

Exercise Round 6

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Exercise 1. Least-squares fitting for affine transformations. (pen & paper problem)

A brief overview of affine transformation estimation is presented on slides 17-19 of Lecture 5. Present a derivation and compute an example by performing the following stages:

- a) Compute the gradient of the least squares error $E = \sum_{i=1}^n ||x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}||^2$ with respect to the parameters of the transformation (i.e. elements of matrix \mathbf{M} and vector \mathbf{t}).

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} VE = & -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_1} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_2} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) - \\ & - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_3} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_4} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) - \\ & - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) \end{aligned}$$

- b) Show that by setting the aforementioned gradient to zero you will get an equation of the form $\mathbf{S}\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{u}$, where vector \mathbf{h} contains the unknown parameters of the transformation, and 6×6 matrix \mathbf{S} and 6×1 vector \mathbf{u} depend on the coordinates of the point correspondences $\{x'_i, x_i\}, i = 1, \dots, n$.

Solution. The resulting equations obtained setting the gradient above to zero are:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_1} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) &= 0, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_2} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) &= 0, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_3} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_4} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) = 0,$$

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Knowing that,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} x'_i \\ y'_i \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & m_2 \\ m_3 & m_4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} x'_i - m_1 x_i - m_2 y_i - t_1 \\ y'_i - m_3 x_i - m_4 y_i - t_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_1} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \end{pmatrix} \right)^\top \begin{pmatrix} x'_i - m_1 x_i - m_2 y_i - t_1 \\ y'_i - m_3 x_i - m_4 y_i - t_2 \end{pmatrix} = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n x'_i x_i - m_1 x_i^2 - m_2 y_i x_i - t_1 x_i = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Analogously we do the same for the next three equations and we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_2} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n x'_i y_i - m_1 x_i y_i - m_2 y_i^2 - t_1 y_i = 0, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_3} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n y'_i x_i - m_3 x_i^2 - m_4 y_i x_i - t_2 x_i = 0, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial m_4} x_i \right)^\top (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n y'_i y_i - m_3 x_i y_i - m_4 y_i^2 - t_2 y_i = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n x'_i x_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n m_1 x_i^2 + m_2 y_i x_i + t_1 x_i, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x'_i y_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n m_1 x_i y_i + m_2 y_i^2 + t_1 y_i, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y'_i x_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n m_3 x_i^2 + m_4 y_i x_i + t_2 x_i, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y'_i y_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n m_3 x_i y_i + m_4 y_i^2 + t_2 y_i. \end{aligned}$$

From the last equation $(\sum_{i=1}^n (x'_i - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{t}) = 0)$ we can extract,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n x'_i - m_1 x_i - m_2 y_i - t_1 &= 0, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x'_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n m_1 x_i + m_2 y_i + t_1. \end{aligned}$$

And also,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n y'_i - m_3 x_i - m_4 y_i - t_2 = 0,$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n y'_i = \sum_{i=1}^n m_3 x_i + m_4 y_i + t_2.$$

Finally we can express the system $\mathbf{Sh} = \mathbf{u}$ as,

$$\mathbf{Sh} = \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} x_i^2 & x_i y_i & 0 & 0 & x_i & 0 \\ x_i y_i & y_i^2 & 0 & 0 & y_i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x_i^2 & x_i y_i & 0 & x_i \\ 0 & 0 & x_i y_i & y_i^2 & 0 & y_i \\ x_i & y_i & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x_i & y_i & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \\ m_3 \\ m_4 \\ t_1 \\ t_2 \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} x'_i x_i \\ x'_i y_i \\ y'_i x_i \\ y'_i y_i \\ x'_i \\ y'_i \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{u}$$

- c) Thus, one may solve the transformation by computing $\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{u}$. Compute the affine transformation from the following point correspondences $\{(0,0) \rightarrow (1,2)\}$, $\{(1,0) \rightarrow (3,2)\}$, and $\{(0,1) \rightarrow (1,4)\}$.

Solution.

$$n = 3,$$

$$(x_1, y_1) = (0, 0) \rightarrow (x'_1, y'_1) = (1, 2),$$

$$(x_2, y_2) = (1, 0) \rightarrow (x'_2, y'_2) = (3, 2),$$

$$(x_3, y_3) = (0, 1) \rightarrow (x'_3, y'_3) = (1, 4).$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n x_i = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = (0) + (1) + (0) = 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n y_i = y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = (0) + (0) + (1) = 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 = (0)^2 + (1)^2 + (0)^2 = 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n y_i^2 = y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2 = (0)^2 + (0)^2 + (1)^2 = 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n x_i y_i = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + x_3 y_3 = (0)(0) + (1)(0) + (0)(1) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} x_i^2 & x_i y_i & 0 & 0 & x_i & 0 \\ x_i y_i & y_i^2 & 0 & 0 & y_i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x_i^2 & x_i y_i & 0 & x_i \\ 0 & 0 & x_i y_i & y_i^2 & 0 & y_i \\ x_i & y_i & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x_i & y_i & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} x'_i x_i \\ x'_i y_i \\ y'_i x_i \\ y'_i y_i \\ x'_i \\ y'_i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (1)(0) + (3)(1) + (1)(0) \\ (1)(0) + (3)(0) + (1)(1) \\ (2)(0) + (2)(1) + (4)(0) \\ (2)(0) + (2)(0) + (4)(1) \\ (1) + (3) + (1) \\ (2) + (2) + (4) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{h} &= \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{u} = \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 2. Similarity transformation from two point correspondences. (pen & paper)
A similarity transformation consists of rotation, scaling and translation and is defined in two dimensions as follows:

$$\mathbf{x}' = s\mathbf{R}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = s \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Describe a method for solving the parameters s, θ, t_x, t_y of a similarity transformation from two point correspondences $\{\mathbf{x}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{x}'_1\}, \{\mathbf{x}_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{x}'_2\}$ using the following stages:

- a) Compute the vectors $\mathbf{v}' = \mathbf{x}'_2 - \mathbf{x}'_1$ and $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1$ and present a formula to recover the rotation angle θ from the corresponding unit vectors.

Solution.

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ y_2 - y_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}' = \begin{pmatrix} x'_2 - x'_1 \\ y'_2 - y'_1 \end{pmatrix} = s \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ y_2 - y_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Knowing that,

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\mathbf{v}' \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}'\| \cdot \|\mathbf{v}\|},$$

we can obtain,

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{(x'_2 - x'_1)(x_2 - x_1) + (y'_2 - y'_1)(y_2 - y_1)}{\sqrt{(x'_2 - x'_1)^2 + (y'_2 - y'_1)^2} \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}} \right).$$

- b) Compute the scale factor s as the ratio of the norms of vectors \mathbf{v}' and \mathbf{v} .

Solution.

$$s = \frac{\|\mathbf{v}'\|}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \frac{\sqrt{(x'_2 - x'_1)^2 + (y'_2 - y'_1)^2}}{\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}}.$$

- c) After solving s and θ compute \mathbf{t} using equation (1) and either one of the two point correspondences.

Solution.

$$x' = s \cos(\theta)x - s \sin(\theta)y + t_x$$

$$y' = s \sin(\theta)x + s \cos(\theta)y + t_y$$

$$t_x = x' - s \cos(\theta)x + s \sin(\theta)y$$

$$t_y = y' - s \sin(\theta)x - s \cos(\theta)y$$

d) Use the procedure to compute the transformation from the following point correspondences: $\{(\frac{1}{2}, 0) \rightarrow (0, 0)\}, \{(0, \frac{1}{2}) \rightarrow (-1, -1)\}$.

Solution.

$$(x_1, y_1) = (\frac{1}{2}, 0), \quad (x'_1, y'_1) = (0, 0),$$

$$(x_2, y_2) = (0, \frac{1}{2}), \quad (x'_2, y'_2) = (-1, -1).$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ y_2 - y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{v}' = \begin{pmatrix} x'_2 - x'_1 \\ y'_2 - y'_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{(x'_2 - x'_1)(x_2 - x_1) + (y'_2 - y'_1)(y_2 - y_1)}{\sqrt{(x'_2 - x'_1)^2 + (y'_2 - y'_1)^2} \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}} \right) =$$

$$= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{(-1)(-\frac{1}{2}) + (-1)(\frac{1}{2})}{\dots} \right) = \cos^{-1}(0) = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

$$s = \frac{\|\mathbf{v}'\|}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \frac{\sqrt{(x'_2 - x'_1)^2 + (y'_2 - y'_1)^2}}{\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}} =$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{(-1)^2 + (-1)^2}{(-\frac{1}{2})^2 + (\frac{1}{2})^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\frac{1}{2}}} = \sqrt{4} = 2.$$

$$t_x = x' - s \cos(\theta)x + s \sin(\theta)y = 0 - 2(0)(\frac{1}{2}) + 2(1)(0) = 0,$$

$$t_y = y' - s \sin(\theta)x - s \cos(\theta)y = 0 - 2(1)(\frac{1}{2}) - 2(0)(0) = -1.$$

So the resulting equation for the transformation is,

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) & -\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) \\ \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) & \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$