

Assignment #1

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Question 1

1-1 (Math) In our lectures, we mentioned that matrices that can represent isometries can form a group. Specifically, in 3D space, the set comprising matrices $\{\mathbf{M}_i\}$ is actually a group, where $\mathbf{M}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$, $\mathbf{R}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ is an orthonormal matrix, $\det(\mathbf{R}_i) = 1$, and $\mathbf{t}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$ is a vector. Please prove that the set $\{\mathbf{M}_i\}$ forms a group.

Hint: You need to prove that $\{\mathbf{M}_i\}$ satisfies the four properties of a group, i.e. closure, associativity, existence of identity element, and existence of inverse element for each group element.

Answer. Suppose that the element of group is M_i , and the operation on this group is Matrix Multiply .

(a) **Closure**

$$\forall \mathbf{M}_i, \mathbf{M}_j \in \{\mathbf{M}_i\}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_j & \mathbf{t}_j \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j & \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{t}_j + \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_i, \mathbf{R}_j \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j (\mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j)^T = \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j (\mathbf{R}_j)^T (\mathbf{R}_i)^T = \mathbf{E} \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j \text{ is an orthonormal matrix}$$

$$\det(\mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j) = \det(\mathbf{R}_i) \det(\mathbf{R}_j) = 1$$

$$\mathbf{t}_i, \mathbf{t}_j \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1} \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{t}_j + \mathbf{t}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j \in \{\mathbf{M}_i\}, \text{ Q.E.D.}$$

(b) **Associativity**

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{M}_i (\mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{M}_k) &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_j & \mathbf{t}_j \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_k & \mathbf{t}_k \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_j \mathbf{R}_k & \mathbf{R}_j \mathbf{t}_k + \mathbf{t}_j \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j \mathbf{R}_k & \mathbf{R}_i (\mathbf{R}_j \mathbf{t}_k + \mathbf{t}_j) + \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j \mathbf{R}_k & \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j \mathbf{t}_k + \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{t}_j + \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{R}_j & \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{t}_j + \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_k & \mathbf{t}_k \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= (\mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j) \mathbf{M}_k
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\mathbf{M}_i (\mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{M}_k) = (\mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j) \mathbf{M}_k$, Q.E.D.

(c) **Existence of identity element**

$$\forall \mathbf{M}_i \in \{\mathbf{M}_i\}$$

$$\exists \mathbf{e} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{e} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \\
\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{e} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\exists \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{e} \mathbf{M}_i = \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{M}_i$, Q.E.D.

(d) **Existence of inverse element**

$$\forall \mathbf{M}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \{\mathbf{M}_i\}$$

$$\exists \mathbf{M}_i^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i^T & -\mathbf{R}_i^T \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_i^{-1} \mathbf{M}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i^T & -\mathbf{R}_i^T \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = E_{4 \times 4}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_i^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_i^T & -\mathbf{R}_i^T \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = E_{4 \times 4}$$

Hence, $\forall \mathbf{M}_i \in \{\mathbf{M}_i\}, \exists \mathbf{M}_i^{-1}, \mathbf{M}_i^{-1} \mathbf{M}_i = \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_i^{-1} = E$, Q.E.D.

Question 2

1-2 (Math) Gaussian function is

$$G(x, y; \sigma) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

The scale-normalized Laplacian of Gaussian (LoG) is

$$LoG = \sigma^2 \nabla^2 G$$

Please verify that Difference of Gaussian (DOG)

$$DoG = G(x, y; k\sigma) - G(x, y; \sigma)$$

can be a good approximation of LoG.

Answer.

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial x} = -\frac{x}{2\pi\sigma^4} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial y} = -\frac{y}{2\pi\sigma^4} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{x^2 - \sigma^2}{2\pi\sigma^6} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{y^2 - \sigma^2}{2\pi\sigma^6} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$\nabla^2 G = \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial y^2} = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2\sigma^2}{2\pi\sigma^6} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$LoG = \sigma^2 \nabla^2 G = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2\sigma^2}{2\pi\sigma^4} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial G}{\partial \sigma} &= -\frac{1}{\pi\sigma^3} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) + \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^5} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) (x^2 + y^2) \\ &= \frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2\sigma^2}{2\pi\sigma^5} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ &= \sigma \nabla^2 G \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial \sigma} = \sigma \nabla^2 G \tag{1}$$

Performing the calculus of difference on the equation (1) yields,

$$\sigma \nabla^2 G = \frac{\partial G}{\partial \sigma} \approx \frac{G(x, y, k\sigma) - G(x, y, \sigma)}{k\sigma - \sigma}$$

$$\text{DoG} = G(x, y, k\sigma) - G(x, y, \sigma) \approx (k - 1)\sigma^2 \nabla^2 G = (k - 1) \text{LoG}$$

As the constant term $(k - 1)$ does not affect the location of the extrema. So DoG is an approximation of $\sigma^2 \nabla^2 G$, Q.E.D.

Question 3

1-3 (Math) In the lecture, we talked about the least square method to solve an over-determined linear system $\mathbf{Ax} = b$, $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$, $m > n$, $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = n$. The closed form solution is $\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T b$. Try to prove that $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ is non-singular (or in other words, it is invertible).

Answer.

Since $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = n$, according to Schmidt orthogonalization, there must exist an invertible square matrix \mathbf{P} that makes $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{AP}$, $\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{E}$.

Hence, $\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B}$ is an invertible matrix, that

$$\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{AP})^T (\mathbf{AP}) = \mathbf{P}^T (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{E} \quad (2)$$

is invertible matrix, and all three of the above multiplied square matrices are invertible. Hence, $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ is invertible (non-singular).