

HW #12

Note that you have 2 weeks to complete this assignment to give you time to work on final projects.

1. **Stereo Motion (7 pts):** In stereo imaging we can compute a point's world coordinates from left and right images as

$$\vec{X}^W = \vec{X}_{AVG} \frac{|\vec{B}|^2}{\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\Delta}}$$

- a. Show that if the world point is in motion, we can compute its velocity as

$$\vec{V}^W = \vec{V}_{AVG} \frac{|\vec{B}|^2}{\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\Delta}} - \vec{X}_W \frac{\vec{B} \cdot \frac{d\vec{\Delta}}{dt}}{\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\Delta}}$$

- b. Suppose that a moving world point is imaged as

$$\vec{X}_L^I = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{c}{2t} \\ 0 \\ f \end{bmatrix}, \vec{X}_R^I = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-c}{2t} \\ 0 \\ f \end{bmatrix}$$

With the usual imaging geometry of $\vec{B} = [b \ 0 \ 0]^T$, $\vec{F} = [0 \ 0 \ f]^T$, what is \vec{V}^W ? Express \vec{V}^W in the simplest terms.

2. **Shading (6 pts):** Consider the two surfaces

$$z_1 = (x^2 + y^2) \text{ and } z_2 = 2xy$$

- a. Find $p(x, y)$ and $q(x, y)$ for both surfaces.
b. Show that z_1 and z_2 give rise to the same shading when a rotationally symmetric reflectance map applies, that is, when $R(p, q) = R(p^2 + q^2)$.

3. **SLAM:** Following Bailey & Durrant-Whyte Part II, at time k the vehicle pose \mathbf{x}_{v_k} and landmark locations \mathbf{m} can be combined into a single state \mathbf{x}_k .

$$\mathbf{x}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{v_k} \\ \mathbf{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

The covariance matrix of \mathbf{x}_k , denoted by $\mathbf{P}_{k|k}$, is partitioned into

$$\mathbf{P}_{k|k} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{vv} & \mathbf{P}_{vm} \\ \mathbf{P}_{vm}^T & \mathbf{P}_{mm} \end{bmatrix}_{k|k}$$

Control input \mathbf{u}_k only affects the vehicle pose, not the landmark locations, via $\mathbf{x}_{v_k} = \mathbf{f}_v(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{u}_k)$. Thus, the update equation for state \mathbf{x}_k is

$$\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_{k-1}, \mathbf{u}_k) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_v(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{u}_k) \\ \mathbf{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

When control \mathbf{u}_k is applied, but before any landmark measurement updates are made, the covariance prediction $\mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}$ is given by

$$\mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} = \nabla \mathbf{f}_x \mathbf{P}_{k-1|k-1} \nabla \mathbf{f}_x^T + \nabla \mathbf{f}_u \mathbf{U}_k \nabla \mathbf{f}_u^T$$

where $\nabla \mathbf{f}_x = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{k-1}}$, $\nabla \mathbf{f}_u = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{u}_k}$, and \mathbf{U}_k is the control covariance. Show that the covariance prediction simplifies (!) to

$$\mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla \mathbf{f}_{v_x} \mathbf{P}_{vv,k-1|k-1} \nabla \mathbf{f}_{v_x}^T + \nabla \mathbf{f}_{v_u} \mathbf{U}_k \nabla \mathbf{f}_{v_u}^T & \nabla \mathbf{f}_{v_x} \mathbf{P}_{vm,k-1|k-1} \\ \mathbf{P}_{vm,k-1|k-1}^T \nabla \mathbf{f}_{v_x}^T & \mathbf{P}_{mm,k-1|k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\nabla \mathbf{f}_{v_x} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_v}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}}$ and $\nabla \mathbf{f}_{v_u} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_v}{\partial \mathbf{u}_k}$.

Hint: Expand $\nabla \mathbf{f}_x$ and $\nabla \mathbf{f}_u$. This problem is not as hard as it looks once you understand what is being asked.