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1 Camera Calibration

- I initially shot a video of the chessboard pattern by placing it on a table.
- I then extracted some random frames from the video and then used them for calibration.

1.1 Finding Intrinsic Parameters

- Using Open-CV method `cv2.findChessboardCorners()`, I found the corners.
- Using the four extreme corners in each frame, I found the vanishing points in two perpendicular directions for each frame by solving the equations for lines.
- Using the vanishing points in perpendicular directions, I framed the equation $\mathbf{x}_{d_2}^T \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{x}_{d_1} = 0$ (discussed in class) where $\mathbf{x}_{d_1}, \mathbf{x}_{d_2}$ are vanishing points computed in previous step.
- Assuming that $\Omega = \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{K}^{-T}$, we have that $\mathbf{x}_{d_2}^T \Omega \mathbf{x}_{d_1} = 0$.
- Let $\mathbf{x}_{d_1} = (x_1, y_1, 1)$ and $\mathbf{x}_{d_2} = (x_2, y_2, 1)$ and

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega_{11} & \Omega_{12} & \Omega_{13} \\ \Omega_{21} & \Omega_{22} & \Omega_{23} \\ \Omega_{31} & \Omega_{32} & \Omega_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Now we have that Ω is symmetric and assuming that skew is zero we get that $\Omega_{12} = \Omega_{21} = 0$, $\Omega_{13} = \Omega_{31}$ and $\Omega_{23} = \Omega_{32}$.
- Let $\Omega_{11} = a, \Omega_{13} = g, \Omega_{22} = b, \Omega_{23} = f, \Omega_{33} = c$

- We get that

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & g \\ 0 & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{pmatrix}$$

- For frame-F with vanishing points $\mathbf{x}_{d_1}, \mathbf{x}_{d_2}$, using the fact that $\mathbf{x}_{d_2}^T \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{x}_{d_1} = \mathbf{0}$ we get that $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_F \hat{\Omega} = 0$ where

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_F = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 y_1 & x_1 + y_1 & x_2 y_2 & x_2 + y_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \hat{\Omega} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ g \\ b \\ f \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$

- Now on stacking up $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_F$ for all frames, we get that $\hat{\mathbf{X}} \hat{\Omega} = 0$ and solution for the equation is given by $\bar{\Omega} = \text{last column of } V$ where $\hat{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{U} \Sigma \mathbf{V}^T$ is the SVD of $\hat{\mathbf{X}}$.
- Now I assumed that $\bar{\Omega} = \lambda K^{-1} K^{-T}$ (Here λ is a parameter for scale) and then directly solved for the entries in K i.e., f_x, f_y, u_x, u_y and also λ using the solution described in [1] which is given by

1. $\mathbf{u}_y = (\bar{\Omega}_{12} \bar{\Omega}_{13} - \bar{\Omega}_{11} \bar{\Omega}_{23}) / (\bar{\Omega}_{11} \bar{\Omega}_{22} - \bar{\Omega}_{12}^2)$
2. $\lambda = \bar{\Omega}_{33} - (\bar{\Omega}_{13}^2 + \mathbf{u}_y (\bar{\Omega}_{12} \bar{\Omega}_{13} - \bar{\Omega}_{11} \bar{\Omega}_{23})) / \bar{\Omega}_{11}$
3. $\mathbf{f}_x = \sqrt{(\lambda / \bar{\Omega}_{11})}$
4. $\mathbf{f}_y = \sqrt{(\lambda \bar{\Omega}_{11} / (\bar{\Omega}_{11} \bar{\Omega}_{22} - \bar{\Omega}_{12}^2))}$
5. $\mathbf{u}_x = -\bar{\Omega}_{13} / \bar{\Omega}_{11}$

1.2 Finding Extrinsic Parameters

- For finding extrinsic parameters of each frame, I initially used the DLT to compute a homography \mathbf{H} between the image points $(x,y,1)$ and object points $(X,Y,1)$ (Assuming that the object plane is the XY-plane for 3D-World Coordinate System and hence $Z=0$).
- We know that camera-matrix $P=sK[R|t]=sK[r_1|r_2|r_3|t]$ where s is the scale, $R=[r_1|r_2|r_3]$ is the rotation matrix and t is the translation matrix between image points $(x,y,1)$ and 3D-world points $(X,Y,Z,1)$.
- Hence we get that $H=sK[r_1|r_2|t]$ and using $K, H=[h_1|h_2|h_3]$ we get that

1. $s = \|K^{-1}h_1\| = \|K^{-1}h_2\|$

2. $r_1 = \frac{1}{s}K^{-1}h_1$

3. $r_2 = \frac{1}{s}K^{-1}h_2$

4. $t = \frac{1}{s}K^{-1}h_3$

5. $r_3 = r_1 \times r_2$

- The obtained $R=[r_1|r_2|r_3]$ need not be a rotation matrix and hence it is approximated by the closest orthogonal matrix to R which is given by $\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{V}^T$ where $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$ is the SVD of matrix \mathbf{R} .
- Hence the final camera parameters are $\mathbf{K}, \hat{\mathbf{R}}, t$.

2 Placing the Object

- I then used the above-computed parameters $\mathbf{K}, \hat{\mathbf{R}}, \mathbf{t}$ to get the image coordinates of any 3D-object point $(X, Y, Z, 1)$ by using the formula $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{K}[\hat{\mathbf{R}}|\mathbf{t}]\hat{\mathbf{X}}$ where $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, 1)$ and $\hat{\mathbf{X}} = (\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Z}, 1)$ for every frame.
- I took the object to be a cube of size 3x3x3 and then projected all its 8 corners into the image-plane and joined the corners and faces to get an image of cube being placed on the chess-board.

3 Instructions to run the code

Use the command `python3 main.py arg1 arg2` to run the code where `arg1` is the path to initial frames, `arg2` is path to the output directory where the output images which contain a cube drawn on them are saved.

4 Results

The X,Y,Z-axes are marked in different colours to show the location of origin.



(a) Marked Chess-board Corners



(b) Cube placed on chess-board

Figure 1: Sample output of a frame with corners marked on left and cube placed at top-left corner

The X,Y,Z-axes are marked in different colours to show the location of origin.



(a) Marked Chess-board Corners



(b) Cube placed on chess-board

Figure 2: Sample output of a frame with corners marked on left and cube placed at top-left corner

5 References

- [1] **Zhang's Paper**
- [2] **OpenCV Tutorials**