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Exercise 1

Question 1

Show that the homogenous coordinates $[2.5 \ 3.5 \ 2]^T$, $[5.0 \ 7.0 \ 4.0]^T$ and $[3.90625 \ 5.46875 \ 3.125]^T$ are the same point.

Solution:

Convert the given homogenous coordinates into Cartesian coordinates, i.e.

$[x \ y \ k]^T \rightarrow [\frac{x}{k}, \frac{y}{k}]$. We have:

$$[2.5 \ 3.5 \ 2]^T \rightarrow \left[\frac{2.5}{2}, \frac{3.5}{2} \right] = [1.25, \ 1.75]$$

$$[5.0 \ 7.0 \ 4.0]^T \rightarrow \left[\frac{5.0}{4.0}, \frac{7.0}{4.0} \right] = [1.25, \ 1.75]$$

$$[3.90625 \ 5.46875 \ 3.125]^T \rightarrow \left[\frac{3.90625}{3.125}, \frac{5.46875}{3.125} \right] = [1.25, \ 1.75]$$

All the homogeneous coordinates convert to the same Cartesian coordinate. Therefore, they are the same point.

Question 2

Show that the following lines: $[6.2 \ 2.3 \ 1.2]^T$, $[12.4 \ 4.6 \ 2.4]^T$ and $[18.6 \ 6.9 \ 3.6]^T$ in \mathbb{P}^2 represent the same line.

Solution:

A line in homogeneous coordinates can be converted to Cartesian coordinates as follow:

$$[a \ b \ c]^T \rightarrow ax + by + c = 0.$$

We get:

$$[6.2 \ 2.3 \ 1.2]^T \rightarrow 6.2x + 2.3y + 1.2 = 0$$

$$[12.4 \quad 4.6 \quad 2.4]^T \rightarrow 12.4x + 4.6y + 2.4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2.0(6.2x + 2.3y + 1.2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6.2x + 2.3y + 1.2 = 0$$

$$[18.6 \quad 6.9 \quad 3.6]^T \rightarrow 18.6x + 6.9y + 3.6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3.0(6.2x + 2.3y + 1.2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6.2x + 2.3y + 1.2 = 0$$

All three lines convert to the same Cartesian line equation. Therefore, they are the same line.

Question 3

- Find the line in Cartesian space that passes the two points: $[5.1 \quad 8.4]^T$ and $[6.3 \quad 10.4]^T$ in \mathbb{R}^2 .
- Find the same line in projective space by first converting the two points into homogenous coordinates.

Solution:

- Cartesian line equation is given by: $ax + by + c = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{a}{c}x + \frac{b}{c}y + 1 = 0$.

Let let $\alpha = \frac{a}{c}$ and $\beta = \frac{b}{c}$ and putting $[5.1 \quad 8.4]^T$ into the line equation, we get:

$$5.1\alpha + 8.4\beta + 1 = 0 \quad (1)$$

Putting $[6.3 \quad 10.4]^T$ into the line equation, we get: $6.3\alpha + 10.4\beta + 1 = 0 \quad (2)$

From (1) and (2), we get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5.1 & 8.4 \\ 6.3 & 10.4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5.1 & 8.4 \\ 6.3 & 10.4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -16.6667 \\ 10.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since there is only two degree-of-freedom in a line, it means the ratio is important, i.e. $\{a: b: c\}$. We can rewrite the ratio as $\left\{\frac{a}{c}: \frac{b}{c}: 1\right\} = \{\alpha: \beta: 1\}$.

Therefore, the line equation is given by: $ax + by + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow -16.6667x + 10.0y + 1 = 0$

- Convert the two given points into homogeneous coordinates, i.e., $[5.1 \quad 8.4 \quad 1.0]^T$ and $[6.3 \quad 10.4 \quad 1.0]^T$.

Taking the cross-product, we get the equation of the line in homogenous coordinates:

$$[5.1 \quad 8.4 \quad 1.0]^T \times [6.3 \quad 10.4 \quad 1.0]^T = [-2.0 \quad 1.2 \quad 0.12]^T = 0.12[-16.6667 \quad 10.0 \quad 1.0]^T,$$

which is obviously the same line as from part (a).

Question 4

How many degrees of freedom are there for a point on a line in \mathbb{P}^2 ? Find the family of points that lie on the line $\mathbf{l} = [2.6 \quad 8.9 \quad 1.2]^T \in \mathbb{P}^2$.

Solution:

In general, a point in \mathbb{P}^2 has 2 degree-of-freedom. The point loses 1 degree-of-freedom on a line, i.e. it's remaining **1 degree-of-freedom**. This means that the family of points on a line is **parameterized by 1 parameter**.

Let $\mathbf{x} = [x, y, 1]^T$ be the homogenous coordinate of the point. Using the point-line incidence relation: $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{l} = 0$, we get

$$[x, y, 1][2.6 \quad 8.9 \quad 1.2]^T = 0 \Rightarrow 2.6x + 8.9y + 1.2 = 0.$$

Making x the subject, we get:

$$x = -3.426y - 0.462.$$

Putting x back into the point coordinates, we get:

$$\mathbf{x}_{1D} = [-3.426y - 0.462 \quad y \quad 1]^T,$$

which has 1 degree-of-freedom parameterized by y .

Question 5

Find the family of parallel lines that pass through the ideal point $\mathbf{x} = [2.0 \quad 3.0 \quad 0]^T \in \mathbb{P}^2$.

Solution:

A line in \mathbb{P}^2 has 2 degree-of-freedom.

Intuition: Think of it this way. A line in \mathbb{P}^2 can be defined by 2 points, where each point gives 1 degree-of-freedom.

Fixing one point on the line, i.e. fixing this point to be the given ideal point $\mathbf{x} = [2.0 \quad 3.0 \quad 0]^T \in \mathbb{P}^2$ reduces the line to 1 degree-of-freedom. Thus, the family of parallel lines that intersect at $\mathbf{x} = [2.0 \quad 3.0 \quad 0]^T \in \mathbb{P}^2$ can be parameterized by 1 parameter. s

Two parallel lines have the same gradient and thus can be expressed as: $\mathbf{l} = [a \ b \ c]^T$ and $\mathbf{l}' = [a \ b \ c']^T$, respectively. Using the intersection relation of two lines, we have:

$$\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{l}' = \mathbf{x}$$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = [a \ b \ c]^T \times [a \ b \ c']^T = (c' - c)[b \ -a \ 0]^T$, where the scale $(c' - c)$ can be ignored. Thus, we get:

$$\mathbf{x} = [b \ -a \ 0]^T = [2.0 \ 3.0 \ 0]^T \Rightarrow a = -3.0, b = 2.0.$$

We can then obtain the family of parallel lines that intersect at the ideal point $\mathbf{x} = [2.0 \ 3.0 \ 0]^T \in \mathbb{P}^2$ as:

$$\mathbf{l} = [-3.0 \ 2.0 \ c]^T,$$

which is parameterized by c .

Question 6

Find the angle between two lines \mathbf{l} and \mathbf{l}' which intersect at the point $\mathbf{x}_1 = [1.0 \ 1.0 \ 1.0]^T \in \mathbb{P}^2$, and the points $\mathbf{x}_2 = [2.0 \ 2.0 \ 1.0]^T \in \mathbb{P}^2$ and $\mathbf{x}_3 = [0.0 \ 1.0 \ 1.0]^T \in \mathbb{P}^2$ lie on \mathbf{l} and \mathbf{l}' , respectively.

Solution:

$$\mathbf{l} = \mathbf{x}_1 \times \mathbf{x}_2 = [-1.0 \ 1.0 \ 0.0]^T; \mathbf{l}' = \mathbf{x}_1 \times \mathbf{x}_3 = [0 \ -1.0 \ 1.0]^T;$$

The angle between the two lines is given by:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{l}^T C_{\infty}^* \mathbf{l}'}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{l}^T C_{\infty}^* \mathbf{l})(\mathbf{l}'^T C_{\infty}^* \mathbf{l}')}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2} * 1} \Rightarrow \theta = 0.785 \text{rad}$$

where

$$\mathbf{l}^T C_{\infty}^* \mathbf{l}' = [-1.0 \ 1.0 \ 0.0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} [0 \ -1.0 \ 1.0]^T = -1,$$

$$\mathbf{l}^T C_{\infty}^* \mathbf{l} = [-1.0 \ 1.0 \ 0.0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} [-1.0 \ 1.0 \ 0.0]^T = 2,$$

$$\mathbf{l}'^T C_{\infty}^* \mathbf{l}' = [0 \ -1.0 \ 1.0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} [0 \ -1.0 \ 1.0]^T = 1.$$

Question 7

Find the equation of the conic in \mathbb{P}^2 that passes through the following five points: $(x, y) = (1.0, 5), (1.0, 11.0), (0.0, 5.4019), (0.0, 10.5981), (2.0, 5.4019), (2.0, 10.5981)$.

Solution

The equation of a conic in \mathbb{R}^2 is given by:

$$ax_i^2 + bx_iy_i + cy_i^2 + dx_i + ey_i + f = 0.$$

The equation can be rewritten into the following form given five points:

$(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3), (x_4, y_4)$ and (x_5, y_5)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 & x_1y_1 & y_1^2 & x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2^2 & x_2y_2 & y_2^2 & x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3^2 & x_3y_3 & y_3^2 & x_3 & y_3 & 1 \\ x_4^2 & x_4y_4 & y_4^2 & x_4 & y_4 & 1 \\ x_5^2 & x_5y_5 & y_5^2 & x_5 & y_5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}, \text{ where } \mathbf{c} = [a \quad b \quad c \quad d \quad e \quad f]^T.$$

We get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 5.0 & 25.0 & 1.0 & 5.0 & 1.0 \\ 1.0 & 11.0 & 121.0 & 1.0 & 11.0 & 1.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 29.1805 & 0.0 & 5.4019 & 1.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 112.3197 & 0.0 & 10.5981 & 1.0 \\ 4.0 & 10.8038 & 29.1805 & 2.0 & 5.4019 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}, \text{ which we write as } A\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Taking the singular value decomposition of A, we get:

$$A = U\Sigma V^T, \text{ where}$$

$$U =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.14811 & -0.30433 & -0.42362 & 0.42922 & 0.722336 \\ -0.70411 & -0.24157 & 0.507191 & 0.393973 & -0.18281 \\ -0.17049 & 0.094467 & -0.68485 & 0.353342 & -0.60675 \\ -0.65021 & 0.510466 & -0.21408 & -0.46545 & 0.232767 \\ -0.17451 & -0.76127 & -0.22013 & -0.56486 & -0.14997 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 173.1923 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 13.34974 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4.095998 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.576826 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.249137 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$V =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.00895 & -0.26899 & -0.19457 & -0.91084 & -0.24217 & 0.037709 \\ -0.05988 & -0.92912 & 0.264343 & 0.239204 & -0.07784 & 1.23E-16 \\ -0.99311 & 0.077897 & 0.079597 & -0.03156 & 0.007531 & 0.01676 \\ -0.00694 & -0.15494 & -0.08708 & -0.19439 & 0.961709 & -0.07542 \\ -0.09954 & -0.1776 & -0.90246 & 0.25644 & -0.08024 & -0.26817 \\ -0.01067 & -0.0526 & -0.25281 & 0.092737 & 0.062548 & 0.959529 \end{bmatrix}$$

The solution of c is the right orthogonal vector that corresponds to the least singular value, i.e.

$$c = [0.0377 \quad 0.0000 \quad 0.0168 \quad -0.0754 \quad -0.2682 \quad 0.9595]^T$$

The conics equation in \mathbb{P}^2 is given by:

$\mathbf{x}^T C \mathbf{x} = 0$, where

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} a & b/2 & d/2 \\ b/2 & c & e/2 \\ d/2 & e/2 & f \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{We get: } C = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0377 & 0.0000 & -0.0377 \\ 0.0000 & 0.0168 & -0.1341 \\ -0.0377 & -0.1341 & 0.9595 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Question 8

Find the two lines that \mathbf{l} and \mathbf{m} that forms the degenerate conics:

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution

The degenerate conics formed by two lines \mathbf{l} and \mathbf{m} is given by:

$$C = \mathbf{lm}^T + \mathbf{ml}^T = [l_1 \quad l_2 \quad l_3]^T [m_1 \quad m_2 \quad m_3] + [m_1 \quad m_2 \quad m_3]^T [l_1 \quad l_2 \quad l_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 * l_1 * m_1 & l_1 * m_2 + l_2 * m_1 & l_1 * m_3 + l_3 * m_1 \\ l_1 * m_2 + l_2 * m_1 & 2 * l_2 * m_2 & l_2 * m_3 + l_3 * m_2 \\ l_1 * m_3 + l_3 * m_1 & l_2 * m_3 + l_3 * m_2 & 2 * l_3 * m_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2 * l_1 * m_1 = 0$$

$$l_1 * m_2 + l_2 * m_1 = 1$$

$$l_1 * m_3 + l_3 * m_1 = -1$$

$$2 * l_2 * m_2 = -2$$

$$l_2 * m_3 + l_3 * m_2 = 1$$

$$2 * l_3 * m_3 = 0$$

We have six equations and six unknowns $l_1, l_2, l_3, m_1, m_2, m_3$, we get:

$$\mathbf{l} = [-1 \quad 1 \quad 0]^T,$$

$$\mathbf{m} = [0 \quad -1 \quad 1]^T.$$

Question 9

Given three points:

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = [3.4072 \quad -2.4572 \quad 1.0000]^T, \mathbf{x}_2 = [3.1428 \quad -2.5648 \quad 1.0000]^T,$$

$$\mathbf{x}_3 = [4.2926 \quad -1.5002 \quad 1.0000]^T, \text{ and the}$$

correspondences of the first two points after a similarity transformation:

$\mathbf{x}'_1 = [13.6263 \quad -0.9310 \quad 1.0000]^T, \mathbf{x}'_2 = [12.9915 \quad -1.5055 \quad 1.0000]^T$. Find \mathbf{x}'_4 after the transformation.

Solution

Similarity transformation is given by:

$$\mathbf{x}' = H_s \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} s \cos \theta & -s \sin \theta & t_x \\ -s \sin \theta & s \cos \theta & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \Rightarrow \mathbf{x}' \times H_s \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x'_2 - t_y - s * x_2 * \cos \theta - s * x_1 * \sin \theta \\ t_x - x'_1 + s * x_1 * \cos \theta - s * x_2 * \sin \theta \\ x'_1 * (t_y + s * x_2 * \cos \theta + s * x_1 * \sin \theta) - x'_2 * (t_x + s * x_1 * \cos \theta - s * x_2 * \sin \theta) \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

where the third constraint is redundant. We get:

$$-0.9310 - t_y - s * (-2.4572) * \cos \theta - s * (3.4072) * \sin \theta = 0 \quad -- (1)$$

$$t_x - 13.6263 + s * (3.4072) * \cos \theta - s * (-2.4572) * \sin \theta = 0 \quad -- (2)$$

$$-1.5055 - t_y - s * (-2.5648) * \cos \theta - s * (3.1428) * \sin \theta = 0 \quad -- (3)$$

$$t_x - 12.9915 + s * (3.1428) * \cos \theta - s * (-2.5648) * \sin \theta = 0 \quad -- (4)$$

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1 \quad -- (5)$$

Solving for the unknowns, we get:

$$\theta = 0.3491, s = 3.0, t_x = 1.5, t_y = 2.5.$$

Thus, we get:

$$\mathbf{x}'_3 = \mathbf{H}_s \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3.0 \cos(0.3491) & -3.0 \sin(0.3491) & 1.5 \\ -3.0 \sin(0.3491) & 3.0 \cos(0.3491) & 2.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4.2926 \\ -1.5002 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15.1405 \\ 2.6754 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Question 10

For $\bar{\mathbf{x}}' = \mathbf{H}_{2 \times 2} \bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{P}^1$, prove that:

$$\text{Cross}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}'_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_2, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_3, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_4) = \text{Cross}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_3, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_4).$$

Let

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i = \begin{bmatrix} x_{i1} \\ x_{i2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_i = \mathbf{H} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11}x_{i1} + h_{12}x_{i2} \\ h_{21}x_{i1} + h_{22}x_{i2} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\text{Cross}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_3, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_4) = \frac{|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2| |\bar{\mathbf{x}}_3, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_4|}{|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_3| |\bar{\mathbf{x}}_2, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_4|}$$

We get

$$\begin{aligned} |\bar{\mathbf{x}}'_i, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_j| &= (h_{11}x_{i1} + h_{12}x_{i2})(h_{21}x_{j1} + h_{22}x_{j2}) \\ &\quad - (h_{11}x_{j1} + h_{12}x_{j2})(h_{21}x_{i1} + h_{22}x_{i2}) \\ &= (x_{i1}x_{j2} - x_{i2}x_{j1})(h_{11}h_{22} - h_{12}h_{21}) \\ &= |\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_j| \det(\mathbf{H}) \end{aligned}$$

And thus

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cross}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}'_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_2, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_3, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_4) &= \frac{|\bar{\mathbf{x}}'_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_2| |\bar{\mathbf{x}}'_3, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_4|}{|\bar{\mathbf{x}}'_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_3| |\bar{\mathbf{x}}'_2, \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_4|} \\ &= \frac{|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2| \det(\mathbf{H}) |\bar{\mathbf{x}}_3, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_4| \det(\mathbf{H})}{|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_3| \det(\mathbf{H}) |\bar{\mathbf{x}}_2, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_4| \det(\mathbf{H})} \\ &= \frac{|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2| |\bar{\mathbf{x}}_3, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_4|}{|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_3| |\bar{\mathbf{x}}_2, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_4|} \\ &= \text{Cross}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_3, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_4) \end{aligned}$$

Question 11

Find the equation of the plane formed by the three points:

$$\mathbf{X}_1 = [1.2000 \ 2.2000 \ 3.1000 \ 1.0000]^T,$$

$$\mathbf{X}_2 = [5.2000 \ 2.6000 \ 4.3000 \ 1.0000]^T,$$

$$\mathbf{X}_3 = [-3.2000 \ 6.3000 \ -3.1000 \ 1.0000]^T.$$

Solution

The three points must be incident to the plane, i.e. $\mathbf{X}^T \boldsymbol{\pi} = \mathbf{0}$. We get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.2000 & 2.2000 & 3.1000 & 1.000 \\ 5.2000 & 2.6000 & 4.3000 & 1.000 \\ -3.2000 & 6.3000 & -3.1000 & 1.000 \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\pi} = \mathbf{0}$$

Taking SVD of \mathbf{X}^T , the solution of $\boldsymbol{\pi}$ is the right orthogonal vector that corresponds to the smallest eigenvalue, i.e. $\boldsymbol{\pi} = [0.0783 \ -0.2066 \ -0.1922 \ 0.9562]^T$.

Question 12

Find the family of points that lie on the plane $\boldsymbol{\pi} = [2.1 \ 3.2 \ 5.1 \ 4.0]^T$.

Solution

The points \mathbf{X} on the plane $\boldsymbol{\pi} = [a, b, c, d]^T$ may be written as: $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x}$. This means the following point-plane incidence relation must hold true, i.e. $\boldsymbol{\pi}^T \mathbf{X} = \boldsymbol{\pi}^T \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. Thus, we have $\boldsymbol{\pi}^T \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{0}$. By inspection, we get:

$$\mathbf{M}^T = [\mathbf{p} \mid I_{3 \times 3}], \quad \text{where } \mathbf{p} = \left(-\frac{b}{a}, -\frac{c}{a}, -\frac{d}{a}\right)^T.$$

As a result, the family of points on the plane is given by:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3.2}{2.1} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{5.1}{2.1} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{4.0}{2.1} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T \mathbf{x}.$$

Question 13

Given three colinear points on the image: $\mathbf{x}_1 = [20 \ 304 \ 1]^T$, $\mathbf{x}_2 = [40 \ 508 \ 1]^T$ and $\mathbf{x}_3 = [80 \ 916 \ 1]^T$, and the distance ratio of the corresponding 3D points is $d(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2) : d(\mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{X}_3) = 16.4838 : 32.1527$. Find the vanishing of the line formed by \mathbf{x}_1 , \mathbf{x}_2 and \mathbf{x}_3 .

Solution

The distance ratio of the image points is: $d(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) : d(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3) = 204.9780 : 409.9561$.

Convert into \mathbb{P}^1 , we get:

Image points: $[0 \ 1]^\top$, $[204.9780 \ 1]^\top$ and $[614.9341 \ 1]^\top$;

3D points: $[0 \ 1]^\top$, $[16.4838 \ 1]^\top$ and $[48.6365 \ 1]^\top$.

From $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}$, we take the “cross-product”, i.e. the determinant of $[\mathbf{x}' \ \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}]$ since \mathbf{x}' is a 2x2 vector. Thus, for each point we get one equation, i.e.

$$h_{21} * x * x' - h_{12} - h_{11} * x + h_{22} * x' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [-x \ -1 \ xx' \ x'] \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} \\ h_{12} \\ h_{21} \\ h_{22} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Putting the 3-point correspondences into the equation, we get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -204.9780 & 1 & (204.9780)(16.4838) & 16.4838 \\ -614.9341 & 1 & (614.9341)(48.6365) & 48.6365 \\ -0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} \\ h_{12} \\ h_{21} \\ h_{22} \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

Taking SVD of the 3x4 matrix, the null space is the right singular vector that corresponds to the least singular value, i.e.

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11} \\ h_{12} \\ h_{21} \\ h_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0808 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.9967 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow H_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0808 & 0.0000 \\ 0.0000 & 0.9967 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The 3D vanishing point in \mathbb{P}^1 is given by $[1 \ 0]^\top$, and it is imaged to the point:

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{H}^{-1}\mathbf{x}' = [0.0808 \ 0.00]^\top.$$

Question 14

It was mid-autumn festival. Your best friend Xiaoming, who is a whimsical computer vision scientist and photographer, sent you a post card. The front of the postcard is a photo of the full moon taken with his latest DSLR camera. On the back of the postcard, Xiaoming wrote a lantern riddle for you to solve.

- a) Assuming that the full moon is *infinitely far away*, the camera has zero skew and the pixels are square. Let us denote the homogenous coordinates of an edge pixel $[u, v, 1]^\top$ from the

image of the moon, prove that: $f^2 + (p_x - u)^2 + (p_y - v)^2 = 0$, where f and (p_x, p_y) are the focal length and principal point of the camera. **Show all your workings clearly.**

- b) Suppose that the image of the full moon is given by the Cartesian equation: $0.0001x^2 + 0.0001y^2 - 0.05x - 0.05y + 13.5 = 0$, and we further know that the principal point of the camera is $(p_x, p_y) = (250, 250)$. Find the focal length f of the camera. **Show all your workings clearly.**

Solution

a)

Zero skew and square pixels means the camera intrinsic matrix is given by:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since the moon is infinitely far away, it can be taken to be the absolute conic, i.e. $C = I_{3 \times 3}$ and

$$\begin{bmatrix} X & Y & Z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = 0, \text{ or equivalently } X^2 + Y^2 + Z^2 = 0.$$

Since $\mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{X} \Rightarrow [u, v, 1]^T = K[R | \mathbf{t}][X, Y, Z, 0]^T = KR[X, Y, Z]^T$, using $[X, Y, Z] \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = 0$, we write:
 $((KR)^{-1}\mathbf{x})^T((KR)^{-1}\mathbf{x}) = 0.$

This gives us:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}^T(KR)^{-T}(KR)^{-1}\mathbf{x} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^TK^{-T}R^{-T}R^{-1}K^{-1}\mathbf{x} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^TK^{-T}K^{-1}\mathbf{x} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

From $K = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, we get

$$K^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/f & 0 & -p_x/f \\ 0 & 1/f & -p_y/f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } K^{-T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/f & 0 \\ -p_x/f & -p_y/f & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Thus, } K^{-T}K^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/f^2 & 0 & -p_x/f^2 \\ 0 & 1/f^2 & -p_y/f^2 \\ -p_x/f^2 & -p_y/f^2 & \frac{p_x^2}{f^2} + \frac{p_y^2}{f^2} + 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{f^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -p_x \\ 0 & 1 & -p_y \\ -p_x & -p_y & p_x^2 + p_y^2 + f^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Putting $\mathbf{x} = [u, v, 1]^T$ and $K^{-T}K^{-1}$ into $\mathbf{x}^TK^{-T}K^{-1}\mathbf{x} = 0$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{f^2} [u, v, 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -p_x \\ 0 & 1 & -p_y \\ -p_x & -p_y & p_x^2 + p_y^2 + f^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{f^2} [u - p_x, v - p_y, -up_x - vp_y + p_x^2 + p_y^2 + f^2] \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{f^2} [u^2 - up_x + v^2 - vp_y - up_x - vp_y + p_x^2 + p_y^2 + f^2] \\
&= \frac{1}{f^2} [u^2 - up_x + v^2 - vp_y - up_x - vp_y + p_x^2 + p_y^2 + f^2] \\
&= \frac{1}{f^2} [u^2 - 2up_x + p_x^2 + v^2 - 2vp_y + p_y^2 + f^2] \\
&= \frac{1}{f^2} [(p_x - u)^2 + (p_y - v)^2 + f^2].
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (p_x - u)^2 + (p_y - v)^2 + f^2 = 0 \text{ (QED).}$$

b)

Convert the cartesian equation into homogenous equation. Let $x = \frac{u}{w}$ and $y = \frac{v}{w}$, we get :

$$0.0001 \left(\frac{u}{w}\right)^2 + 0.0001 \left(\frac{v}{w}\right)^2 - 0.05 \left(\frac{u}{w}\right) - 0.05 \left(\frac{v}{w}\right) + 13.5 = 0.$$

We need 1 point (u, v) to find f from $(p_x - u)^2 + (p_y - v)^2 + f^2 = 0$.

Setting $w = 1$ and $v = 0$, we get

$$0.0001u^2 - 0.05u + 13.5 = 0.$$

Solving the roots, we get:

$$u = \frac{0.05 \pm \sqrt{0.05^2 - 4(0.0001)(13.5)}}{2(0.0001)} \Rightarrow u = 250 \pm 269.2582i.$$

Putting into $(p_x - u)^2 + (p_y - v)^2 + f^2 = 0$, we get:

$$(250 - 250 + 269.2582i)^2 + (250)^2 + f^2 = 0$$

$$f^2 = 269.2582^2 - 250^2 \Rightarrow f = 100.$$

Question 15

Your other best friend Kumar is an avid night sky photographer. He took two photographs of the brightest star in the night sky that is *infinitely far away* with an *in-plane rotation* between the second and first image planes, i.e. as shown in Fig. 1, there is only a rotation θ around the principal axis Z of the camera between the views.

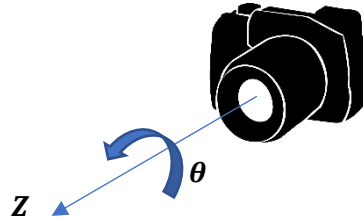


Figure 1. Camera in-plane rotation.

Given that the image homogenous coordinates of the star in the first and second views are $[200.1262, 150.2062, 1.00]^T$ and $[-128.1647, -261.866, 1.00]^T$, respectively. Find the in-plane rotation θ between the views. We further assume that the camera intrinsic matrix is given by: $K = \begin{bmatrix} 270 & 0 & 512 \\ 0 & 270 & 256 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. **Show all your workings clearly.**

Solution

The directions of the rays in the two views are given by:

$$\mathbf{d} = \frac{K^{-1}\mathbf{x}}{\|K^{-1}\mathbf{x}\|} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.7323 \\ -0.2484 \\ 0.6340 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ since we have}$$

$$K^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 270 & 0 & 512 \\ 0 & 270 & 256 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 200.1262 \\ 150.2062 \\ 1.00 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1.1550 \\ -0.3917 \\ 1.00 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \|K^{-1}\mathbf{x}\| = 1.5772.$$

$$\mathbf{d}' = \frac{K^{-1}\mathbf{x}'}{\|K^{-1}\mathbf{x}'\|} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.6781 \\ -0.3718 \\ 0.6340 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ since we have}$$

$$K^{-1}\mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 270 & 0 & 512 \\ 0 & 270 & 256 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 223.2545 \\ 97.6847 \\ 1.00 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1.0694 \\ -0.5864 \\ 0.6340 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \|K^{-1}\mathbf{x}'\| = 1.5772.$$

Let $R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ be the rotation matrix which represents the in-plane rotation that transforms a point in the second view into the first view. We thus have:

$$\mathbf{d}' = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{d} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -0.6781 \\ -0.3718 \\ 0.6340 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -0.7323 \\ -0.2484 \\ 0.6340 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We get two equations with two unknowns $\cos \theta$ and $\sin \theta$, i.e.

$$-0.6781 = -0.7323 \cos \theta + 0.2484 \sin \theta - (1)$$

$$-0.3718 = -0.2484 \cos \theta - 0.7323 \sin \theta - (2)$$

Solving for the unknowns, we get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.7323 & 0.2484 \\ -0.2484 & -0.7323 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.6781 \\ -0.3718 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.7323 & 0.2484 \\ -0.2484 & -0.7323 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -0.6781 \\ -0.3718 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9849 \\ 0.1736 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{0.1736}{0.9849} \text{ and } \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{0.1736}{0.9849} = 0.1745 \text{ rad.}$$

Question 16

Given the homogeneous coordinates of a 2D (image)-3D (scene) point correspondence $\mathbf{x} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{Y}$, where

$$\mathbf{x} = [432.0351, 424.6289, 1.0000]^T; \mathbf{Y} = [62.2385, 47.3612, 31.8379, 1.0000]^T;$$

We further know that the 3D scene points are expressed in a fixed world frame, and the camera has an intrinsics given by:

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } f \text{ is the unknown focal length, and } c_x = 270, c_y = 240 \text{ is the principal}$$

point. The extrinsics of the camera is given by:

$$[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t}] = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t}]$ transforms a 3D point in the world frame into the camera frame. Find the unknown focal length f and angle θ . **Show all your workings clearly.**

Useful equation: $\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha = 1$.

Solution

The camera projection equation is given by: $\lambda \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{Y}$. Taking cross product to eliminate the unknown scale λ , we get:

$$\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{P}\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_x \\ x_y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Y_x \\ Y_y \\ Y_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

Collecting the unknowns into the form of $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{0}$, we get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -Y_y & -Y_x & Y_z * x_y - Y_z * c_y \\ Y_x & -Y_y & Y_z * c_x - Y_z * x_x \\ (Y_y * x_x - Y_x * x_y) * f * \cos \theta & (Y_x * x_x + Y_y * x_y) * f * \sin \theta & Y_z * c_y * x_x - Y_z * c_x * x_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f \cos \theta \\ f \sin \theta \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Remarks: It is also correct to solve the unknown scale λ directly from the third element. Alternatively, the scale can be eliminated by normalizing (i.e. dividing) over the third element.

Only the first two equations are independent. Thus, we get 2 equations to solve for the 2 unknowns $a = f \cos \theta$ and $b = f \sin \theta$, i.e.

$$-Y_y * a - X_x * b + Y_z * x_y - Y_z * c_y = 0$$

$$-47.3612 * a - 62.2385 * b + 31.8379 * 424.6289 - 31.8379 * 240 = 0$$

$$-47.3612 * a - 62.2385 * b + 5.8782e + 03 = 0 \text{ -- (1)}$$

$$Y_x * a - Y_y * b + Y_z * c_x - Y_z * x_x = 0$$

$$62.2385 * a - 47.3612 * b + 31.8379 * 270 - 31.8379 * 432.0351 = 0$$

$$62.2385 * a - 47.3612 * b - 5.1589e + 03 = 0 \text{ -- (2)}$$

Solving for a and b gives us: a=98.0065 and b=19.8670.

This implies $f \cos \theta = 98.0065$ and $f \sin \theta = 19.8670$. Taking the sum of the squares of both equations, we get:

$$f^2(\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) = 98.0065^2 + 19.8670^2 \Rightarrow f = \mathbf{100}.$$

Substituting back into $f \cos \theta = 98.0065$, we get:

$$100 \cos \theta = 98.0065 \Rightarrow \theta = 0.2.$$

Question 17

The z-coordinate of a 3D point lying on a plane in the first camera reference frame F_{C1} is $z = 20$. We further note that this plane is parallel to the image plane of the first camera, where the z-axis of F_{C1} is perpendicular to the plane. A second camera view of the 3D point is taken. The second camera frame F_{C2} is related to the first camera frame F_{C1} by a rigid transformation $T_{C2C1} \in SE(3)$, which consists of only a rotation around the z-axis and a translation along the x-axis.

Given the camera normalized coordinates (i.e. $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \text{inv}(\mathbf{K})\mathbf{x}$, where \mathbf{K} is the camera intrinsic) in the first and second camera images:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{C1} = [0.00 \quad 0.50 \quad 1.00]^T \text{ and } \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{C2} = [-0.0493 \quad 0.49 \quad 1.00]^T.$$

Find $T_{C2C1} \in SE(3)$ that relates the reference frames of the two cameras.

Solution

Since the plane is parallel to the first camera image plane where the z-axis of F_{C1} is perpendicular to the plane, its normal vector is given by:

$\mathbf{N} = [0 \quad 0 \quad 1]^T$ and the distance of the plane to F_{C1} is given by the Z coordinate of the 3D points, i.e. $d = 20$.

The image points of camera 2 and camera 1 are related by a homography given by:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{C2} = \left(\mathbf{R} + \frac{\mathbf{t}\mathbf{N}^T}{d} \right) \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{C1}, \text{ where } \mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \gamma & -\sin \gamma & 0 \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus, we get:

$$\frac{t_x}{20} + \cos \gamma * x_1^{C1} - \sin \gamma * x_2^{C1} - x_1^{C2} = 0 \quad \text{-- (1)}$$

$$\cos \gamma * x_2^{C1} + \sin \gamma * x_1^{C1} - x_2^{C2} = 0 \quad \text{-- (2)}$$

Putting the camera normalized point into Equation (2), we get:

$$\cos \gamma * (0.5) + \sin \gamma * (0) - 0.49 = 0 \Rightarrow \gamma = 0.2 \text{ rad}$$

Putting the point into Equation (1), we get:

$$\frac{t_x}{20} + \cos(0.2) * (0) - \sin(0.2) * (0.5) - (-0.0493) = 0 \Rightarrow t_x = 1.$$

Alternatively

Since the 3D point lies on a plane parallel to the first camera image, its coordinate is given by: $\mathbf{X} = [0.00 \ 10.0 \ 20.0 \ 1.00]^T$.

The projection into the second camera image is then given by:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{C2} = [\mathbf{R} \ \mathbf{t}] \mathbf{X}, \text{ where } T_{C2C1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ with } \mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \gamma & -\sin \gamma & 0 \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$
$$\Rightarrow [xw, yw, w]^T = [\mathbf{R} \ \mathbf{t}] [X, Y, Z, 1]^T$$

We get: $w = Z = 20.0$. Putting back into the equation, we get:

$$\frac{X \cos \gamma - Y \sin \gamma + t_x}{w} = x \Rightarrow (0.00) \cos \gamma - (10.0) \sin \gamma + t_x = -0.0493 * 20.0$$

$$\Rightarrow -(10.0) \sin \gamma + t_x = -0.9860 - (1)$$

$$\frac{X \sin \gamma + Y \cos \gamma}{w} = y \Rightarrow (0.00) \sin \gamma + (10.0) \cos \gamma = 0.49 * 20.0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \gamma = 0.98 \Rightarrow \gamma = \mathbf{0.2 \text{ rad}} - (2)$$

Putting back into equation (1), we get:

$$-(10.0) \sin(0.2) + t_x = -0.9860 \Rightarrow \mathbf{t_x = 1.00}$$

Question 18

a) Given the projection matrices of the two views:

$$\mathbf{P} = [\mathbf{I}_{3 \times 3} \mid \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 1}] \text{ and } \mathbf{P}' = [\mathbf{A} \mid \mathbf{a}],$$

where \mathbf{A} is a 3×3 matrix and \mathbf{a} is a 3×1 vector, and a plane defined by $\boldsymbol{\pi}^T \mathbf{X} = 0$ with $\boldsymbol{\pi} = [\mathbf{v}^T \ 1]^T$, prove that the homography induced by the plane is $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}$ with:

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{v}^T.$$

$\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{P}^3$ is the point in the 3D space, and $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{P}^2$ and $\mathbf{x}' \in \mathbb{P}^2$ are the projections of \mathbf{X} into the first and second views, respectively.

b) Further prove that the homography can be written as $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{e}'\mathbf{v}^T$, where \mathbf{e}' is the epipole in the second view.

- c) Any three points in the 3D space form a plane, and therefore it is intuitive that there is a homography that relates any three image point correspondences $\mathbf{x}_i \leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}'_i$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$. Show that the homography induced by the plane of the three 3D points is given by:

$$H = A - \mathbf{e}'(\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{b})^\top,$$

where \mathbf{b} is a 3-vector with components:

$$b_i = (\mathbf{x}'_i \times (A\mathbf{x}_i))^\top (\mathbf{x}'_i \times \mathbf{e}') / \|\mathbf{x}'_i \times \mathbf{e}'\|^2,$$

and \mathbf{M} is a 3×3 matrix with rows \mathbf{x}_i^\top .

- d) Give two degenerate cases of $H = A - \mathbf{e}'(\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{b})^\top$. Be specific on what constitutes the degeneracies.

Solution

a)

We first back-project the point \mathbf{x} in the first view and determine the intersection point \mathbf{X} of this ray with the plane π . The 3D point \mathbf{X} is then projected into the second view to compute H .

For the first view, we have:

$$\mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{X} = [I_{3 \times 3} \mid \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 1}]\mathbf{X}.$$

This implies that $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}^\top \quad \rho]^\top$ is a valid 3D point, where ρ is a scalar that parameterized the 3D point.

Since the 3D point lies on the plane, it satisfies $\pi^\top \mathbf{X} = 0$. As a result, we have:

$$[\mathbf{v}^\top \quad 1][\mathbf{x}^\top \quad \rho]^\top = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{x} + \rho = 0 \Rightarrow \rho = -\mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{x}.$$

Thus, we get $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}^\top \quad -\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{v}]^\top$. The 3D point \mathbf{X} projects into the second view as:

$$\mathbf{x}' = P'\mathbf{X} = [A \mid \mathbf{a}][\mathbf{x}^\top \quad -\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{v}]^\top = A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{x} = (A - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{v}^\top)\mathbf{x},$$

where $H = (A - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{v}^\top)$.

(shown)

b)

The null-space of P gives the camera center of the first view \mathbf{C} , i.e. $P\mathbf{C} = 0$. By inspection, we see that $\mathbf{C} = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1]^T$. Thus, the epipole \mathbf{e}' in the second view is given by:

$$\mathbf{e}' = P'\mathbf{C} = [A \mid \mathbf{a}][0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1]^T = \mathbf{a}.$$

Putting $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{e}'$ into $H = (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{v}^T)$, we get $H = (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{e}'\mathbf{v}^T)$.

(shown)

c)

Since $\mathbf{x}' = H\mathbf{x}$, we have $\mathbf{x}' = H\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{e}'\mathbf{v}^T)\mathbf{x}$. Taking the cross-product of both sides with \mathbf{x}' , we get:

$$\mathbf{x}' \times (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{e}'\mathbf{v}^T)\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) - (\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')(\mathbf{v}^T\mathbf{x}) = 0.$$

As a result, we have:

$$(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')(\mathbf{v}^T\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}).$$

Taking the transpose of both sides give:

$$(\mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{v})(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')^T = (\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})^T.$$

We make $(\mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{v})$ the subject by multiplying both sides with $(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')$, i.e.

$$(\mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{v})(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')^T(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}') = (\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})^T(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}'),$$

which we can rewrite as:

$$\mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{v} = \frac{(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})^T(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')}{(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')^T(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')}.$$

since the denominator $(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')^T(\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}')$ is now a scalar value. $\mathbf{x}_i^T\mathbf{v} = b_i$ since $M^{-1} = \mathbf{x}^{-T}$.

d)

Case 1: $M^T = [\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3]$ is not full rank. This causes M^{-1} to be undefined. It happens when $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3$ are not linearly independent. This is true when the **three 3D points are collinear**.

Case 2: $\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}' = 0$. This occurs when $\mathbf{x}' = \alpha\mathbf{e}'$, where α is a scalar value, i.e. \mathbf{x}' is the same point as the epipole. $\mathbf{x}' \times \mathbf{e}' = 0$ causes $\mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{v}$ to be undefined.

Question 19

Given a *projective* reconstruction $\{P_i, \mathbf{X}_j\}$, where P_i is the i^{th} camera projection matrix and $\mathbf{X}_j \in \mathbb{P}^3$ is the j^{th} 3D point. We wish to determine a rectifying homography H such that $\{P_i H, H^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j\}$ is a *metric* reconstruction.

- a) Let $H = \begin{bmatrix} A & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{v}^\top & v \end{bmatrix}$, where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$, $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$, $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$, and $v \in \mathbb{R}$ can be set to 1 since H only has 15 degree-of-freedom. We further let the first camera projection matrix in the projective reconstruction be $P_1 = [I_{3 \times 3} \quad 0_{3 \times 1}]$, show that H takes the form:

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ -\mathbf{p}^\top K_1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

where K_1 is the 3×3 intrinsic matrix of the first camera and $\mathbf{p} = -K_1^{-\top} \mathbf{v}$.

- b) Find the plane at infinity in the projective reconstruction in terms of K_1 and \mathbf{v} .
- c) Denoting the other camera projection matrices as $P_i = [A_i \quad \mathbf{a}_i]$, show that the following expression:

$$\omega_i^* = (A_i - \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{p}^\top) \omega_1^* (A_i - \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{p}^\top)^\top$$

is true, where ω^* is the dual image of the absolute conic (DIAC), A_i is the first 3×3 entries and \mathbf{a}_i is the last column of P_i .

- d) Given $K_1 = K_2 = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = [0 \quad 0 \quad 0]^\top$ and the camera matrix:

$$P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.00 & 100.00 & 100.00 \\ 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.00 & 100.00 \\ -0.01 & 0.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 \end{bmatrix}$$

under projective reconstruction, find the camera matrix P_{M2} under metric reconstruction.

Solution

a)

Let P_M be the first camera projective matrix in the metric reconstruction. It is given by:

$$P_M = P_1 H$$

$$\Rightarrow K_1 [I_{3 \times 3} \quad 0_{3 \times 1}] = [I_{3 \times 3} \quad 0_{3 \times 1}] \begin{bmatrix} A & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{v}^\top & v \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow [K_1 \quad 0_{3 \times 1}] = [I_{3 \times 3} \quad 0_{3 \times 1}] \begin{bmatrix} A & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{v}^\top & v \end{bmatrix} = [A \quad \mathbf{t}].$$

Therefore, $A = K_1$ and $\mathbf{t} = 0$.

Since $\mathbf{p} = -K_1^{-\top} \mathbf{v}$, we can see $-\mathbf{p}^\top K_1 = -\mathbf{v}^\top K_1 K_1 = \mathbf{v}$. **(shown)**

b)

$$\boldsymbol{\pi} = H^{-\top} \boldsymbol{\pi}_\infty \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ -\mathbf{p}^\top K_1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 \\ \pi_4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} K_1^\top & -K_1^\top \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 \\ \pi_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

We get:

$$K_1^\top \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 \end{bmatrix} - K_1^\top \mathbf{p} \pi_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad -- (1)$$

$$\pi_4 = 1 \quad -- (2)$$

Putting (2) into (1), we get:

$$K_1^\top \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 \end{bmatrix} = -K_1^\top \mathbf{p} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \\ \pi_3 \end{bmatrix} = -\mathbf{p}. \text{ This implies the } \boldsymbol{\pi} = \begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{p} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

c)

We denote the projection matrices under metric reconstruction as $P_{Mi} = K_i [R_i \quad \mathbf{t}_i]$, we get:

$$P_{Mi} = P_i H \Rightarrow K_i [R_i \quad \mathbf{t}_i] = [A_i \quad a_i] \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ -\mathbf{p}^\top K_1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow K_i R_i = A_i K_1 - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top K_1$, and getting rid of R_i by $K_i R_i (K_i R_i)^\top = K_i K_i^\top$, we have

$$K_i K_i^\top = (A_i K_1 - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top K_1) (A_i K_1 - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top K_1)^\top = (A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top) K_1 K_1^\top (A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top)^\top$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_i^* = (A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top) \omega_1^* (A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top)^\top. \text{ **(shown)**}$$

d)

$$\text{Given } P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.00 & 100.00 & 100.00 \\ 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.00 & 100.00 \\ -0.01 & 0.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.00 & 100.00 \\ 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.00 \\ -0.01 & 0.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } a_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 100.00 \\ 100.00 \\ 1.00 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since $K_1 = K_2$, we have:

$$\omega_i^* = (A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top) \omega_1^* (A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top)^\top \Rightarrow \mathbf{K} \mathbf{K}^\top = (A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top) \mathbf{K} \mathbf{K}^\top (A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top)^\top.$$

Furthermore, $s = 0$ and $p_x = p_y = 0$, and thus we get:

$$\mathbf{K} \mathbf{K}^\top = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f_y^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\mathbf{p} = -\mathbf{K}^{-\top} \mathbf{v} = - \begin{bmatrix} 1/f_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/f_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_i \mathbf{p}^\top = \begin{bmatrix} 100 \\ 100 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [p_1 \quad p_2 \quad p_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.00 & 100.00 \\ 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.00 \\ -0.01 & 0.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.00 & 100.00 \\ 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.00 \\ -0.01 & 0.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$(A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top) \mathbf{K} \mathbf{K}^\top$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.00 & 100.00 \\ 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.00 \\ -0.01 & 0.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_x^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f_y^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.00 & 100 \\ 0.00 & f_y^2 & 0.00 \\ -0.01 f_x^2 & 0.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$(A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top) \mathbf{K} \mathbf{K}^\top (A_i - a_i \mathbf{p}^\top)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.00 & 100 \\ 0.00 & f_y^2 & 0.00 \\ -0.01 f_x^2 & 0.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.00 & -0.01 \\ 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.00 \\ 100.00 & 0.00 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 100^2 & 0.00 & 0.00 \\ 0.00 & f_y^2 & 0.00 \\ 0 & 0.00 & 0.01^2 f_x^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since $f_x = f_y = f$, we get $100^2 = f^2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{100}$.