Assignment 1 (Due: Nov. 9, 2025)

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1. (Math) In our lectures, we mentioned that matrices that can represent Euclidean transformations can form a group. Specifically, in 3D space, the set comprising matrices  $\{M_i\}$  is actually a group, where

$$M_i = \begin{bmatrix} R_i & \mathbf{t}_i \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}, R_i \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$
 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  $\{M_i\}$  forms a group.

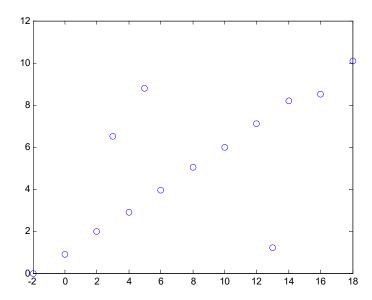
Hint: You need to prove that  $\{M_i\}$  satisfies the four properties of a group, i.e., the closure, the associativity, the existence of an identity element, and the existence of an inverse element for each group element.

2. (Math) When deriving the Harris corner detector, we get the following matrix *M* composed of first-order partial derivatives in a local image patch *w*,

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in w} (I_x)^2 & \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in w} (I_x I_y) \\ \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in w} (I_x I_y) & \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in w} (I_y)^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a) Please prove that M is positive semi-definite.
- b) In practice, M is usually positive definite. If M is positive definite, prove that in the Cartesian coordinate system,  $\begin{bmatrix} x, y \end{bmatrix} M \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 1$  represents an ellipse.
- c) Suppose that M is positive definite and its two eigen-values  $\operatorname{are} \lambda_1 \operatorname{and} \lambda_2 \operatorname{and} \lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > 0$ . For the ellipse defined by  $[x, y]M \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 1$ , prove that the length of its semi-major axis is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_2}}$  while the length of its semi-minor axis is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_1}}$ .
- 3. (**Math**) In the lecture, we talked about the least square method to solve an over-determined linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = b, A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}, m > n, rank(A) = n$ . The closed form solution is  $\mathbf{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$ . Try to prove that  $A^T A$  is non-singular (or in other words, it is invertible).
- 4. (**Programming**) RANSAC is widely used in fitting models from sample points with outliers. Please implement a program to fit a straight 2D line using RANSAC

from the following sample points: (-2, 0), (0, 0.9), (2, 2.0), (3, 6.5), (4, 2.9), (5, 8.8), (6, 3.95), (8, 5.03), (10, 5.97), (12, 7.1), (13, 1.2), (14, 8.2), (16, 8.5) (18, 10.1). Please show your result graphically.



5. (**Programming**) Get two images  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  of our campus and make sure that the major parts of  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are from the same physical plane. Stitch  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  together to get a panorama view using **ORB feature** matching and homography estimation. The program should be implemented with C++ and OpenCV.