

Iterative Solution for the Relative Orientation

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Motivation



E, B, R Image courtesy: Collins 2

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Relative Orientation

Last lecture

Compute the essential matrix matrix given corresponding points using a **direct method**

Today's Lecture

- Compute the **essential matrix** given corresponding points with an **iterative least squares approach**
- Analyze the **quality of our solution**

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Iterative Solution for the Relative Orientation from Corresponding Points

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Reminder: Essential Matrix

- **Essential matrix encodes the R.O. for a calibrated camera pair**

$$E = R' S_b R''^T$$

- Often parameterized through
(parameterizations of dependent images)

$$E = S_b R^T$$

- Coplanarity constraint

$${}^k\mathbf{x}'^T E {}^k\mathbf{x}'' = 0$$

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Coplanarity Constraint for N Corresponding Points

- For each point pair, we can formulate the coplanarity constraint:

$${}^k\mathbf{x}'^T E {}^k\mathbf{x}'' = 0 \quad n = 1, \dots, N$$

- Expressed for the parameterizations of dependent images:

$${}^k\mathbf{x}'^T S_b R^T {}^k\mathbf{x}'' = 0 \quad n = 1, \dots, N$$

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Estimate the Essential Matrix (Here: Stereo Normal Case)

- Estimate E through **least squares**
- **Coplanarity constraint** directly yields an **error function** in the parameters of the R.O.
- Coplanarity constraint is **non-linear** in the parameters
- Thus, we need to **iterate**

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Non-Linear Error Function

- Coplanarity constraint yields a non-linear error function

Assumptions

- **Approximately stereo normal case**
- Classic photogrammetric parameteriz. of dependent images ($B_X = \text{const.}$, 5 parameters for the R.O.)

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Problem Statement

Wanted: R.O. parameters B, R
(approximately stereo normal case)

Given:

- Observed image coordinates
 $(x'_n, y'_n) := ({}^k x'_n, {}^k y'_n) \quad (x''_n, y''_n) = ({}^k x''_n, {}^k y''_n) \quad n = 1, \dots, N$
- Uncertainty of the observations
 $\Sigma_{x'x'} \quad \Sigma_{x''x''} \quad n = 1, \dots, N$ simplified: $\Sigma_{xx} = \sigma^2 I$
- Initial guess for the R.O. parameters
 B^a, R^a parameters: $B^a = [B_X, 0, 0]^T, R^a = I_3$

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Towards the Linearized Observation Equations

- Starting point: ${}^k \mathbf{x}'^T S_b R^T {}^k \mathbf{x}'' = 0$
- Initial guess: $B^a = [B_X, 0, 0]^T, R^a = I_3$
- **Next goal:** find the observation equation for the Gauss-Markov model:

observation + correction = $\frac{\text{coefficients times}}{\text{corrections in unknowns}}$

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Towards the Linearized Observation Equations

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- Initial guess: $B^a = [B_X, 0, 0]^T, R^a = I_3$
- "How do variations in the variables effect the function itself?"

$${}^k \mathbf{x}' = {}^k \mathbf{x}'^a + d {}^k \mathbf{x}'^a = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} dx' \\ dy' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{correction in } \mathbf{x}'$$

$${}^k \mathbf{x}'' = {}^k \mathbf{x}''^a + d {}^k \mathbf{x}''^a = \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} dx'' \\ dy'' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{correction in } \mathbf{x}''$$

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Basis

- Linearized equation for the basis

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}^a + d\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} B_X \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ dB_Y \\ dB_Z \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{2 unknowns}$$

- This leads to the skew-symmetric S_b

$$S_b = S_b^a + dS_b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -dB_Z & dB_Y \\ dB_Z & 0 & 0 \\ -dB_Y & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

correction in S_b

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Rotation

- Linearized** equation for the rotation

$$R^T = R^{aT} + dR^T = I_3 + S_{dr}^T = I_3 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & d\kappa & -d\phi \\ -d\kappa & 0 & d\omega \\ d\phi & -d\omega & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

correction in R 3 unknowns

- Coplanarity constraint (\sim normal case)

$${}^k\mathbf{x}'^T \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -dB_Z & dB_Y \\ dB_Z & 0 & -B_X \\ -dB_Y & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -d\kappa & d\phi \\ d\kappa & 1 & -d\omega \\ -d\phi & d\omega & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T {}^k\mathbf{x}'' = 0$$

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Linearized Observation Equation

- The coplanarity constraint

$${}^k\mathbf{x}'^T S_b R^T {}^k\mathbf{x}'' = 0$$

- The linearized error function through the initial guess and total differential

$$\begin{aligned} & {}^k\mathbf{x}'^T S_b^a R^{aT} {}^k\mathbf{x}''^a + \\ & d({}^k\mathbf{x}'^T S_b^a R^{aT} {}^k\mathbf{x}''^a) + \\ & {}^k\mathbf{x}'^T dS_b^a R^{aT} {}^k\mathbf{x}''^a + \\ & {}^k\mathbf{x}'^T dS_b^a R^{aT} d({}^k\mathbf{x}''^a) + \\ & {}^k\mathbf{x}'^T S_b^a dR^T {}^k\mathbf{x}''^a = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Linearized Observation Equation

$$\begin{aligned} & {}^k\mathbf{x}'^T S_b^a R^{aT} {}^k\mathbf{x}''^a + \\ & d({}^k\mathbf{x}'^T S_b^a R^{aT} {}^k\mathbf{x}''^a) + \\ & {}^k\mathbf{x}'^T dS_b^a R^{aT} {}^k\mathbf{x}''^a + \\ & {}^k\mathbf{x}'^T dS_b^a R^{aT} d({}^k\mathbf{x}''^a) + \\ & {}^k\mathbf{x}'^T S_b^a dR^T {}^k\mathbf{x}''^a = 0 \end{aligned}$$

normal case

change in \mathbf{x}' $[x', y', c]$

change in \mathbf{x}'' $[x'', y'', c]$

change in S_b $[x', y', c]$

change in R $[x', y', c]$

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Linearized Observation Equation

$$\begin{aligned}
& k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{d} \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
& \mathbf{d} \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} k \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
& k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{d} \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
& k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} \mathbf{d} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} k \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
& k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a \mathbf{d} R^{a\mathbf{T}} k \mathbf{x}''^a = 0
\end{aligned}$$

normal case

$$\begin{aligned}
& [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
& [dx', dy', 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
& [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx'' \\ dy'' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \\
& [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -dB_Z & dB_Y \\ dB_Z & 0 & 0 \\ -dB_Y & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
& [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ dx'' \\ dy'' \end{bmatrix} = 0
\end{aligned}$$

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Linearized Observation Equation

$$\begin{aligned}
& k \mathbf{x}'^{\prime a \top} S_b^a R^{a \top} k \mathbf{x}''^{\prime a} + \\
& d \mathbf{x}'^{\prime a \top} S_b^a R^{a \top} d \mathbf{x}''^{\prime a} + \\
& k \mathbf{x}'^{\prime a \top} S_b^a R^{a \top} d \mathbf{x}''^{\prime a} + \\
& k \mathbf{x}'^{\prime a \top} d S_b^a R^{a \top} k \mathbf{x}''^{\prime a} + \\
& k \mathbf{x}'^{\prime a \top} S_b^a d R^{\top} k \mathbf{x}''^{\prime a} = 0
\end{aligned}$$

normal case

$$[x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} +$$

change in \mathbf{x}'

$$[d x', d y', 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} +$$

change in \mathbf{S}_b

$$= [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -d B_Z & d B_Y \\ -d B_Z & 0 & 0 \\ d B_Y & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d x'' \\ d y'' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} +$$

change in \mathbf{R}

$$[x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & d \kappa & -d \phi \\ -d \kappa & 0 & d \omega \\ d \phi & -d \omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

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Linearized Observation Equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} k \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
 d \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} d \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
 & k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} d \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
 & k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} d S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} k \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
 & k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a d R^{a\mathbf{T}} k \mathbf{x}''^a = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

normal case

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & \text{change in } \mathbf{x}' \quad [dx', dy', 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & \text{change in } \mathbf{c} \quad = [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -B_X c \\ B_X y'' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx'' \\ dy'' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & \text{change in } \mathbf{R} \quad [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -dB_Z & dB_Y \\ dB_X & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & \text{change in } \mathbf{R} \quad [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & d\kappa & -d\phi \\ -d\kappa & 0 & d\omega \\ d\phi & -d\omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

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Linearized Observation Equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} k \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
 & d k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} d k \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
 & k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a R^{a\mathbf{T}} d k \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
 & k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} d S_b R^{a\mathbf{T}} k \mathbf{x}''^a + \\
 & k \mathbf{x}'^a \mathbf{T} S_b^a d R^{\mathbf{T}} k \mathbf{x}''^a = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

normal case

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 & [dx', dy', 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & = [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -B_X c \\ B_X y'' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx'' \\ dy'' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -dB_Z & dB_Y \\ -dB_Z & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & = -y' B_X c + c B_X y'' \\
 & [x', y', c] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -B_X & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & d\kappa & -d\phi \\ -d\kappa & 0 & d\omega \\ d\phi & -d\omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

change in \mathbf{x}'

change in \mathbf{x}''

change in \mathbf{c}

change in \mathbf{R}

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Linearized Observation Equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{pmatrix} x' & y' & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & \begin{pmatrix} dx' & dy' & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & \begin{pmatrix} x' & y' & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx'' \\ dy'' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & \begin{pmatrix} x' & y' & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -dB_Z & dB_Y \\ dB_Z & 0 & 0 \\ -dB_Y & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \\
 & \begin{pmatrix} x' & y' & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_X \\ 0 & B_X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & d\kappa & -d\phi \\ -d\kappa & 0 & d\omega \\ d\phi & -d\omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'' \\ y'' \\ c \end{bmatrix} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

\rightarrow $cB_X(y'' - y')$ y-parallax p_y
 $+cB_X(dy'' - dy')$ y-parallax corr
 $-c dB_Y(x'' - x')$ x-parallax p_x
 $-dB_Z(x'y'' - x''y')$
 $+B_X d\omega (y'y'' + c^2) - B_X d\phi y'x'' - cB_X d\kappa x'' = 0$

for the stereo normal case $y' \approx y''$

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Linearized Observation Equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & cB_X(y'' - y') \\
 & +cB_X(dy'' - dy') \\
 & -c dB_Y(x'' - x') \\
 & -dB_Z(x'y'' - x''y') \\
 & +B_X d\omega (y'y'' + c^2) - B_X d\phi y'x'' - cB_X d\kappa x'' = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Target on p_y as this is term can be seen as the observation of the deviation (coplanarity constraint for stereo normal)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & cB_X p_y \\
 & +cB_X dp_y \\
 & -c dB_Y p_x \\
 & +dB_Z y' p_x \\
 & +B_X d\omega (y'y'' + c^2) \\
 & -B_X d\phi y'x'' \\
 & -cB_X d\kappa x'' = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

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This Leads Us to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & cB_X p_y \\
 & +cB_X dp_y \\
 & -c dB_Y p_x \\
 & +dB_Z y' p_x \\
 & +B_X d\omega (y'y'' + c^2) \\
 & -B_X d\phi y'x'' \\
 & -cB_X d\kappa x'' = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_y + dp_y &= \frac{p_x}{B_X} dB_Y - \frac{p_x}{B_X} \frac{y'}{c} dB_Z - \left(\frac{y'y''}{c} + c \right) d\omega \\
 &+ \frac{y'x''}{c} d\phi + x'' d\kappa
 \end{aligned}$$

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Gauss Markov Model

$$\begin{aligned}
 & cB_X p_y \\
 & +cB_X dp_y \\
 & -c dB_Y p_x \\
 & +dB_Z y' p_x \\
 & +B_X d\omega (y'y'' + c^2) \\
 & -B_X d\phi y'x'' \\
 & -cB_X d\kappa x'' = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_y + dp_y &= \frac{p_x}{B_X} dB_Y - \frac{p_x}{B_X} \frac{y'}{c} dB_Z - \left(\frac{y'y''}{c} + c \right) d\omega \\
 &+ \frac{y'x''}{c} d\phi + x'' d\kappa
 \end{aligned}$$

GM: observation + GM: corrections = GM: coefficients times the corrections in the unknowns

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Observation Equation Written Using Vectors

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_y + dp_y &= \frac{p_x}{B_X} dB_Y - \frac{p_x}{B_X} \frac{y'}{c} dB_Z - \left(\frac{y' y''}{c} + c \right) d\omega \\
 &\quad + \frac{y' x''}{c} d\phi + x'' d\kappa \\
 &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{p_x}{B_X} \\ -\frac{p_x}{B_X} \frac{y'}{c} \\ -\left(\frac{y' y''}{c} + c \right) \\ \frac{y' x''}{c} \\ x'' \end{bmatrix}^T}_{\mathbf{a}_n^T} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} dB_Y \\ dB_Z \\ d\omega \\ d\phi \\ d\kappa \end{bmatrix}}_{\Delta \mathbf{x}} \\
 &= \mathbf{a}_n^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \quad \text{coefficients times the corrections in the unknowns}
 \end{aligned}$$

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For All Observations, We Obtain

$$\Delta l_n + v_n = \mathbf{a}_n^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta \mathbf{l} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{A} \Delta \mathbf{x}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} p_{y1} \\ p_{y2} \\ \vdots \\ p_{yn} \\ \vdots \\ p_{yN} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} v_{py1} \\ v_{py2} \\ \vdots \\ v_{pyN} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_{x1}}{B_X} & -\frac{p_{x1}}{B_X} \frac{y'_1}{c} & -\left(\frac{y'_1 y''_1}{c} + c \right) & \frac{y'_1 x''_1}{c} & x''_1 \\ \frac{p_{x2}}{B_X} & -\frac{p_{x2}}{B_X} \frac{y'_2}{c} & -\left(\frac{y'_2 y''_2}{c} + c \right) & \frac{y'_2 x''_2}{c} & x''_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{p_{xn}}{B_X} & -\frac{p_{xn}}{B_X} \frac{y'_n}{c} & -\left(\frac{y'_n y''_n}{c} + c \right) & \frac{y'_n x''_n}{c} & x''_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{p_{xN}}{B_X} & -\frac{p_{xN}}{B_X} \frac{y'_N}{c} & -\left(\frac{y'_N y''_N}{c} + c \right) & \frac{y'_N x''_N}{c} & x''_N \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} dB_Y \\ dB_Z \\ d\omega \\ d\phi \\ d\kappa \end{pmatrix}$$

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Uncertainties

- Uncertainty in the y-parallax

$$\sigma_{p_{y_n}}^2 = \sigma_{y'_n}^2 + \sigma_{y''_n}^2$$

- In case both coordinates are measured equally accurate

$$\sigma_{p_{y_n}} = \sqrt{2} \sigma_{y'}$$

- Assuming no correlation between corresponding points

$$\Sigma_{ll} = \text{Diag}(\sigma_{p_{y_n}}^2) \leftarrow \begin{matrix} n \text{ by } n \\ \text{diagonal} \\ \text{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

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System of Normal Equations

- We computed the linearized error eqn
- We have the observation cov matrix
- This leads to the normal equations

$$\mathbf{A}^T \Sigma_{ll}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \Delta \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^T \Sigma_{ll}^{-1} \Delta \mathbf{l}$$

- And thus the parameter corrections

$$\widehat{\Delta \mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{A}^T \Sigma_{ll}^{-1} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \Sigma_{ll}^{-1} \Delta \mathbf{l}$$

- For the observations (y-parallaxes)

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{A} \widehat{\Delta \mathbf{x}} - \Delta \mathbf{l} \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{v}_n = \mathbf{a}_n^T \widehat{\Delta \mathbf{x}} - \Delta l_n$$

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Summary so far

- Iterative least squares approach to estimate the relative orientation for calibrated cameras
- We used the coplanarity constraint as our error function
- Linearization
- Yields GM model
- Setup of a linear system
- Solving it yields the corrections

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Quality of the Result “How Good is a Solution?”

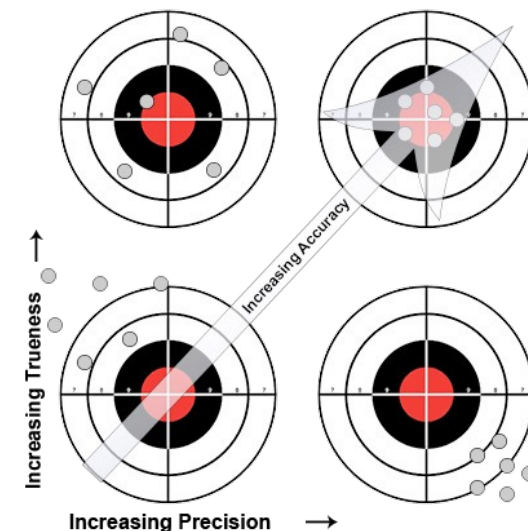
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Precision, Trueness, Accuracy

- **Precision (DE: Präzision)**
The closeness of agreement between independent test results obtained under the same conditions.
- **Trueness (DE: Richtigkeit)**
The closeness of agreement between the average value obtained from a large series of measurements and the true value.
- **Accuracy (DE: äußere Genauigk.)**
The closeness of agreement between a test result and the true value.

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Precision, Trueness, Accuracy



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English vs. German

- Precision
DE: Präzision (or innere Genauigkeit, Wiederholgenauigkeit)
- Trueness
DE: Richtigkeit
- Accuracy
DE: äußere Genauigkeit
- Reliability
DE: Zuverlässigkeit
- "Genauigkeit"... innere oder äußere?

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Precision for the Relative Orientation

- **Precision:** How large is the influence of random noise on the result?

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Precision & Reliability for the Relative Orientation

- **Precision:** How large is the influence of random noise on the result?
- **Reliability:** Can we detect measurement errors/outliers?

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Precision

- To analyze the precision, we need the covariance matrix of the unknowns

- **Theoretical precision**

$$\Sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{x}} = (A^T \Sigma_{ll}^{-1} A)^{-1}$$

- **Empirical precision**

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{x}\hat{x}} = \hat{\sigma}_0^2 \Sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{x}} = \hat{\sigma}_0^2 (A^T \Sigma_{ll}^{-1} A)^{-1}$$



- Empirical and theoretical precision related through the variance factor

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Variance Factor

- Computation of the variance factor

$$\hat{\sigma}_0^2 = \frac{\Omega}{R}$$

- Weighted sum of the squared corrections in the parallaxes after convergence

$$\Omega = \hat{\mathbf{v}}^T \Sigma_{ll}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{v}} = \sum_n \hat{\mathbf{v}}_n^T \Sigma_{l_n l_n}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{v}}_n$$

- Redundancy

$$R = N - \# \text{unknowns} = N - 5$$

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Empirical Precision

- With a redundancy of $R > 30$, we obtain realistic estimates of the precision of our unknown relative orientation

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{x}\hat{x}} = \underbrace{\frac{\hat{\mathbf{v}}^T \Sigma_{ll}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{v}}}{N - 5}}_{\hat{\sigma}_0^2} (A^T \Sigma_{ll}^{-1} A)^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma}_{\hat{B}_Y} &= \sqrt{\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{x}_1 \hat{x}_1}} & \hat{\sigma}_{\hat{B}_Z} &= \sqrt{\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{x}_2 \hat{x}_2}} & \hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\omega}} &= \sqrt{\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{x}_3 \hat{x}_3}} \\ \hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\phi}} &= \sqrt{\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{x}_4 \hat{x}_4}} & \hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\kappa}} &= \sqrt{\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{x}_5 \hat{x}_5}} \end{aligned}$$

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Correlation

- We can also compute the correlation of the parameters

$$\rho_{x_i x_j} = \frac{\Sigma_{\hat{x}_i \hat{x}_j}}{\sigma_{x_i} \sigma_{x_j}}$$

- Large correlation values ($\Rightarrow +1/-1$) between parameters can be a reason for instabilities of the solution

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Reliability

- Covariance matrix of the corrections

$$\Sigma_{vv} = \Sigma_{ll} - A \Sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{x}} A^T$$

- Σ_{vv} is smaller than Σ_{ll}
- Redundancy components r_n of observations are defined as

$$r_n = \frac{\sigma_{v_n}^2}{\sigma_{l_n}^2} \in [0, 1]$$

- Sum over all r_n gives the redundancy

$$R = \sum r_n$$

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Reliability

- Redundancy components $r_n = \sigma_{v_n}^2 \sigma_{l_n}^{-2}$ tells which fraction of original errors we see in the residual parallaxes v_n after the adjustment

$$\Delta v_n = -r_n \Delta l_n$$

- Small values for r_n indicate that outliers are hard to detect



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Quality of the Relative Orientation for the Stereo Normal Case

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Quality of the R.O. for the Stereo Normal Case

- Depends on the exact configuration
- Difficult in the general case
- Here: stereo normal case with Gruber points

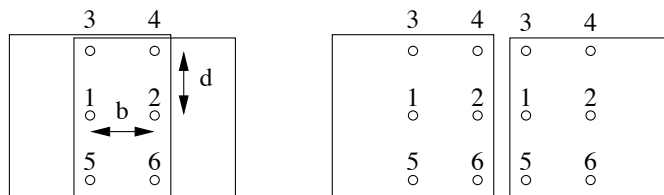


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Assumptions

- Six corresponding points (Gruber points) in the overlapping area
- Image overlap: 60%
- Identical uncertainty in y-parallaxes (weight=1, $\sigma_0 = \sigma_{p_y}$)
- Basis $B_X = M b_X$ (image scale number times image basis)

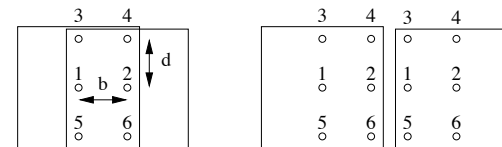
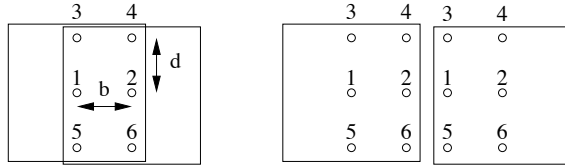


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Image Coordinates



Gruber point	x'	y'	x''	y''
1	0	0	$-b$	0
2	b	0	0	0
3	0	d	$-b$	d
4	b	d	0	d
5	0	$-d$	$-b$	$-d$
6	b	$-d$	0	$-d$

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Coefficient Matrix

$$p_y + dp_y = \frac{p_x}{B_X} dB_y - \frac{p_x}{B_X} \frac{y'}{c} dB_z - \left(\frac{y' y''}{c} + c \right) d\omega + \frac{y' x''}{c} d\phi + x'' d\kappa$$



$$A = - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{b}{B_X} & 0 & c & 0 & b \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & 0 & c & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & -\frac{bd}{B_X c} & \frac{d^2}{c} + c & \frac{bd}{c} & b \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & -\frac{bd}{B_X c} & \frac{d^2}{c} + c & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & \frac{bd}{B_X c} & \frac{d^2}{c} + c & -\frac{bd}{c} & b \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & \frac{bd}{B_X c} & \frac{d^2}{c} + c & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{point 1} \\ \\ \dots \\ \\ \text{point 6} \end{matrix}$$

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Matrix of the Normal Equations

$$A = - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{b}{B_X} & 0 & c & 0 & b \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & 0 & c & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & -\frac{bd}{B_X c} & \frac{d^2}{c} + c & \frac{bd}{c} & b \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & -\frac{bd}{B_X c} & \frac{d^2}{c} + c & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & \frac{bd}{B_X c} & \frac{d^2}{c} + c & -\frac{bd}{c} & b \\ \frac{b}{B_X} & \frac{bd}{B_X c} & \frac{d^2}{c} + c & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \frac{b^2}{B_X^2} & 0 & 2 \frac{b(3c^2 + 2d^2)}{B_X c} & 0 & 3 \frac{b^2}{B_X} \\ 0 & 4 \frac{b^2 d^2}{B_X^2 c^2} & 0 & -2 \frac{b^2 d^2}{B_X c^2} & 0 \\ 2 \frac{b(3c^2 + 2d^2)}{B_X c} & 0 & 2 \frac{3c^4 + 2d^4 + 4d^2 c^2}{c^2} & 0 & \frac{b(3c^2 + 2d^2)}{c} \\ 0 & -2 \frac{b^2 d^2}{B_X c^2} & 0 & 2 \frac{b^2 d^2}{c^2} & 0 \\ 3 \frac{b^2}{B_X} & 0 & \frac{b(3c^2 + 2d^2)}{c} & 0 & 3b^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Covariance Matrix

- This directly yields the covariance matrix of the parameter through

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{x}\hat{x}} = \sigma_0^2 (A^T A)^{-1} = \sigma_0^2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{12} \frac{B_X^2 (9c^4 + 8d^4 + 12d^2 c^2)}{b^2 d^4} & 0 & -\frac{1}{4} \frac{(3c^2 + 2d^2) B_X c}{b d^4} & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \frac{B_X}{b^2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \frac{B_X^2 c^2}{b^2 d^2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \frac{B_X c^2}{b^2 d^2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{4} \frac{(3c^2 + 2d^2) B_X c}{b d^4} & 0 & \frac{3}{4} \frac{c^2}{d^4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \frac{B_X c^2}{b^2 d^2} & 0 & \frac{c^2}{b^2 d^2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3} \frac{B_X}{b^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{b^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Uncertainty in the Parameters

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{p}} = \sigma_0^2 (A^T A)^{-1}$$

$$= \sigma_0^2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{12} \frac{B_X^2 (9c^4 + 8d^4 + 12d^2 c^2)}{b^2 d^4} & 0 & -\frac{1}{4} \frac{(3c^2 + 2d^2) B_X c}{b d^4} & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \frac{B_X}{b^2 d^2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \frac{B_X^2 c^2}{b^2 d^2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \frac{B_X c^2}{b^2 d^2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{4} \frac{(3c^2 + 2d^2) B_X c}{b d^4} & 0 & \frac{3}{4} \frac{c^2}{d^4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \frac{B_X c^2}{b^2 d^2} & 0 & \frac{c^2}{b^2 d^2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3} \frac{B_X}{b^2 d^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{b^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

standard deviation
of the y-parallaxes

$$\sigma_0 = \sigma_{p_y} = \sqrt{2} \sigma_{y'}$$

scale number: $M \approx B_X / b$



$$\sigma_{B_Y} = M \frac{\sqrt{9c^4 + 8d^4 + 12d^2 c^2}}{d^2 \sqrt{6}} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{B_Z} = M \frac{c}{d} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{\omega} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{c}{d^2} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{\phi} = \sqrt{2} \frac{c}{bd} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{\kappa} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{1}{b} \sigma_{y'}$$

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Discussion

- Impact of the pixel measurements

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**"the more accurate one can measure
the parallaxes, the better the result"**

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Discussion

- Size of the scene and overlap

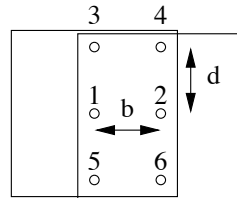
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**"the larger the overlap and spacing in d,
the better the result"**

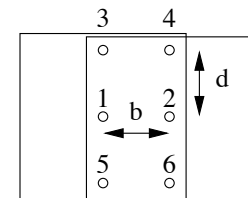
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Discussion

- Size of the scene and overlap

$$\sigma_{\omega} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{c}{d^2} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{\phi} = \sqrt{2} \frac{c}{bd} \sigma_{y'}$$



**"the spread of the points in the plane (b, d)
strongly impacts roll and pitch"**

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Discussion

- Camera constant

$$\sigma_{B_Y} = M \frac{\sqrt{9c^4 + 8d^4 + 12d^2c^2}}{d^2\sqrt{6}} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{B_Z} = M \frac{c}{d} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{\omega} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{c}{d^2} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{\phi} = \sqrt{2} \frac{c}{bd} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{\kappa} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{1}{b} \sigma_{y'}$$

“the smaller the camera constant (at identical images), the better the result

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Discussion

- Scale number and the baseline

$$\sigma_{B_Y} = M \frac{\sqrt{9c^4 + 8d^4 + 12d^2c^2}}{d^2\sqrt{6}} \sigma_{y'}$$

$$\sigma_{B_Z} = M \frac{c}{d} \sigma_{y'}$$

image scale number: $M \approx B_X/b$

“the smaller the image scale number (or the larger the image scale), the better the resulting baseline

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Discussion

- All quantities are proportional to $\sigma_{p_{y'}}$
- $\sigma_{B_Y}, \sigma_{B_Z}$ increase with the scale number
- d strongly influences roll (ω) and pitch (ϕ)
- If $b = d$, all quantities become more accurate with a larger basis b
- The more the overlap is exploited, the better

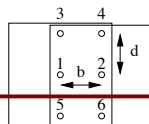
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Reliability

- Covariance matrix of the **corrections**

$$\Sigma_{vv} = \sigma_0^2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{1}{12} \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{12} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{1}{12} \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma_{vv} = \underbrace{\Sigma_{ll}}_{\sigma_{p_{y'}}^2} - A \Sigma_{\hat{x}\hat{x}} A^T$$

$$\sigma_{l_n} = 1$$

- and thus the redundancy components

$$r_1 = r_2 = \frac{1}{3} \quad r_3 = r_4 = r_5 = r_6 = \frac{1}{12}$$

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Reliability

- Covariance matrix of the corrections

Low redundancy components!

$$\Delta v_n = -r_n \Delta l_n$$

Gross errors in the y-parallaxes must be large compared to the standard deviation of the parallaxes in order to be detectable.

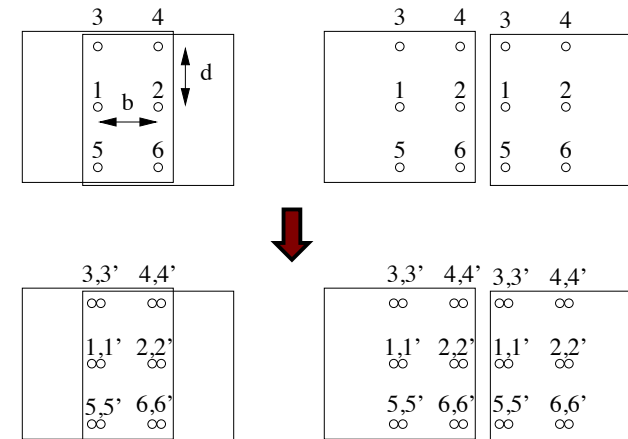
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Double Points/12 Gruber Points

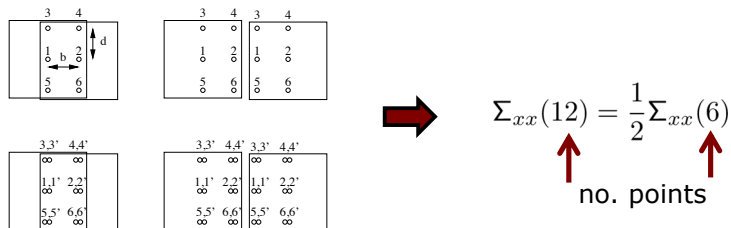
Improving the result with 12 points



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Double Points

Improving the result with 12 points



Furthermore:

The more points we have, the easier we can detect outliers!

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Double Points

Covariance of the parallax corrections

$$\Sigma_{vv}(12) = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{ll} & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_{ll} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} A \\ A \end{bmatrix} \Sigma_{xx}(12) (A^T \ A^T)$$

which leads to the redundancy components

$$r_n = \frac{2}{3} \quad n = 1, 1', 2, 2' \quad r_n = \frac{7}{12} \quad n = 3, 3', \dots, 6, 6'$$


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Double Points

Covariance of the parallax corrections

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Outliers are much easier to detect with Gruber “double” points!


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Double Points

Covariance of the parallax corrections

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Outliers are much easier to detect with Gruber “double” points!

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Summary

- Estimating the relative orientation using a least squares approach
- Solution for the normal stereo case (done without relinearizing)
- Statistically optimal solution
- Analysis of the solution based on Gruber points
- More points improve the results

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Literature

- Förstner, Skript Photogrammetrie II, Chapter 1.3
- Förstner, Wrobel: Photogrammetric Computer Vision, Ch. 12.3.6 & 3.3.3

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