# mathmatical models from visual inertial slam

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# 1 abstract

## 2 short intro

使用camera + IMU的方案来做SLAM/Odometry, 一般被称作Visual-Inertial Odometry (VIO)或者Visual-Inertial Navigation System (VINS)。按照David Scaramuzza的分类方法,首先分成filter-based 和 optimization based 的两大类。进一步按照是否把图像特征信息加入状态向量来进行分类,可以分为loosely-couply 和tightly-coupled。几个经典的算法包括:

#### filter based

msckf msckf没有作者本人的源代码, 但是有别人的实现.

rovio Robust Visual Inertial Odometry(有代码).

ssf and msf Vision Based Navigation for Micro Helicopters (有代码).

#### optimization based

loosely coupled "Inertial aided dense and semi-dense methods for robust direct visual odometry"

tightly coupled okvis "OKVIS: Open Keyframe-based Visual-Inertial SLAM." tightly coupled orbslam "Visual-Inertial Monocular SLAM with Map Reuse."

## 2.1 main procedure

流程与实现

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## 2.2 Notations

## 2.3 Preliminaries

Rieman manifold The skew symmetric matrices:

$$\omega^{\wedge} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0, -\omega_3, \omega_2 \\ \omega_3, 0, -\omega_1 \\ -\omega_2, \omega_1, 0 \end{bmatrix} \in so(3)$$
 (1)

wedge operator converts an vector to its corresponding matrix, and the vee operator convert the skew symmetric matrix to an vector. if we have  $S=\omega^{\wedge}$ , then

$$S^{\vee} = \omega \tag{2}$$

The exponential map(at identity): 指数映射是skew symmetric matrix 到 rotation matrix 的映射.

$$exp(\phi^{\wedge}) = I + \frac{\sin(\|\phi\|)}{\|\phi\|} \phi^{\wedge} + \frac{1 - \cos(\|\phi\|)}{\|\phi\|^2} (\phi^{\wedge})^2$$
 (3)

a first order exponential map:

$$exp(\phi^{\wedge}) \approx I + \phi^{\wedge}$$
 (4)

logarithm map at the identity:

$$\log(R) = \frac{\varphi \cdot (R - R^T)}{2\sin(\varphi)} \qquad with \varphi = \arccos(\frac{tr(R) - 1}{2}) \tag{5}$$

the vectorized versions of the exponential and logarithm map: 向量与SO(3)的映射.

$$Exp: R^3 \to SO(3); \Phi \rightarrowtail exp(\Phi^{wedge})$$
 (6a)

$$Log: SO(3) \to R^3; R \rightarrowtail log(R)^{\vee}$$
 (6b)

Exp 的一阶估计:

$$Exp(\Phi + \delta\Phi) \approx Exp(\Phi)Exp(J_r(\Phi)\delta\Phi)$$
 (7)

Log 的一阶估计:

$$Log(Exp(\Phi)Exp(\delta\Phi)) \approx \Phi + J_r^{-1}(\Phi)\delta\Phi$$
 (8)

another useful property of exponential map:

$$RExp(\Phi)R^T = exp(R\Phi^{\wedge}R^T) = Exp(R\Phi)$$
 (9a)

$$\Leftrightarrow Exp(\Phi)R = RExp(R^T\Phi) \tag{9b}$$

Uncertainty description in SO(3)

$$\tilde{R} = RExp(\epsilon), \quad \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$$
 (10)

the cost function:

$$\mathcal{L}(R) = \frac{1}{2} ||Log(R^{-1}\tilde{R})||_{\Sigma}^{2} + const = \frac{1}{2} ||Log(\tilde{R}^{-1})R||_{\Sigma}^{2} + const \tag{11}$$

this is geodesic uncertainty  $\Sigma^{-1}$ .

Gauss-Newton on Manifold move this paragraph to the supplementes.

## 2.4 MAP

#### Notations

model description the state:

$$x_i \doteq \left\{ R_i, p_i, v_i, b_i \right\}. \tag{12}$$

Let K denote the set of all keyframes up to time k, the state of all keyframes:

$$\mathcal{X}_k \doteq \{x_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{K}_k} \tag{13}$$

the measurements:

$$\mathcal{Z} \doteq \{\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{I}_{ij}\}_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{K}_k} \tag{14}$$

factor graphs and map estimation: the psoterior probability of the variables  $\mathcal{X}_k$ :

$$p(\mathcal{X}_k|\mathcal{Z}_k) \propto p(\mathcal{X}_0)p(\mathcal{Z}_k|\mathcal{X}_k) = p(\mathcal{X}_0) \prod_{(i,j)\in\mathcal{K}_k} p(\mathcal{C}_i,\mathcal{I}_{ij}|\mathcal{X}_k) = p(\mathcal{X}_0) \prod_{(i,j)\in\mathcal{K}_k} p(\mathcal{I}_{ij}|x_i,x_j) \prod_{i\in\mathcal{K}_k} \prod_{l\in\mathcal{C}_i} p(z_{il}|x_i)$$

finally the map estimate:

$$\mathcal{X}_{k}^{*} \doteq argmin_{\mathcal{X}_{k}} - log_{e}p(\mathcal{X}_{k}|\mathcal{Z}_{k}) \tag{16}$$

展开后得到,

$$argmin_{\mathcal{X}_k} ||r_0||_{\Sigma_0}^2 + \sum_{(i,j)\in\mathcal{K}_k} ||r_{\mathcal{I}_{ij}}||_{\Sigma_{ij}}^2 + ||r_{\mathcal{C}_{il}}||_{\Sigma_{\mathcal{C}}}^2$$
 (17)

## 2.5 IMU Model and Motion Integration

## 2.5.1 IMU Model

$$B\tilde{\omega}_{WB}(t) = B \omega_{WB}(t) + b^g(t) + \eta^g(t)$$
(18)

$$_{B}\tilde{a}(t) = R_{WB}^{T}(t)(_{W}a(t) -_{w}q) + b^{a}(t) + \eta^{a}(t)$$
 (19)

## 2.5.2 Kinematic Model

$$\dot{R}_{WB} = R_{WB} \quad {}_{B}\omega_{WB}^{\wedge}, \quad {}_{W}\dot{v} =_{w} a, \quad {}_{w}\dot{p} =_{W} v, \tag{20}$$

the discrete form assuming  $_Wa$  and  $_B\omega_{WB}$  remains constant in the time interval  $[t,t+\Delta t]$ 

$$R_{WB}(t + \Delta t) = R_{WB}(t)Exp(B\omega_{WB}\Delta t)$$
(21)

$$Wv(t + \Delta t) = Wv(t) + wa(t)\Delta t \tag{22}$$

$$_{W}p(t+\Delta t)=_{W}p(t)+_{W}v(t)\Delta t+\frac{1}{2}_{W}a(t)\Delta t^{2} \tag{23}$$

all in all rewrite equations above, we get,

$$R(t + \Delta t) = R(t)Exp((\tilde{\omega}(t) - b^g(t) - \eta^g(t))\Delta t)$$
(24)

$$v(t + \Delta t) = v(t) + g(t)\Delta t + R(t)(\tilde{a}(t) - b^{a}(t) - \eta^{a}(t))\Delta t$$
 (25)

$$p(t + \Delta t) = p(t) + v(t)\Delta t + \frac{1}{2}g\Delta t^2 + \frac{1}{2}R(t)(\tilde{a}(t) - b^a(t) - \eta^a(t))\Delta t^2$$
 (26)

## 2.6 IMU pre-integration

IMU integration for all  $\Delta t$  between two consecutive frames at times i and  $\mathbf{j}$ 

$$R_j = R_i \prod_{k=i}^{j-1} Exp((\tilde{\omega} - b_k^g - \eta_k^{gd})\Delta t)$$
 (27a)

$$v_j = v_i + g\Delta_{ij} + \sum_{k=i}^{j-1} R_k (\tilde{a}_k - b_k^a - \eta_k^{ad}) \Delta t$$
 (27b)

$$p_{j} = p_{i} + \sum_{k=i}^{j-1} \left[ v_{k} \Delta + \frac{1}{2} g \Delta t^{2} + \frac{1}{2} R^{k} (\tilde{a}_{k} - b_{k}^{a} - \eta_{k}^{ad}) \Delta t^{2} \right]$$
 (27c)

relative motion increments

$$\Delta R_{ij} \doteq R_i^T R_j = \prod_{k=i}^{j-1} Exp((\tilde{\omega} - b_k^g - \eta_k^{gd}) \Delta t)$$
(28a)

$$\Delta v_{ij} \doteq R_i^T (v_j - v_i - g\Delta t_{ij}) = \sum_{k=i}^{j-1} \Delta R_{ik} (\tilde{a}_k - b_k^a - \eta_k^{ad}) \Delta t$$
 (28b)

$$\Delta p_{ij} \doteq R_i^T (p_j - p_i - v_i \Delta t_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} \Sigma_{k=i}^{j-1} g \Delta t^2) = \Sigma_{k=i}^{j-1} [\Delta v_{ik} \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \Delta R_{ik} (\tilde{a}_k - b_k^a - \eta_k^{ad}) \Delta t^2]$$
(28c)

## 2.6.1 Preintegrated IMU Measurements

$$\Delta R_{ij} \simeq \prod_{k=i}^{j-1} \left[ Exp((\tilde{\omega}_k - b_i^g) \Delta t) Exp(-J_r^k \eta_k^{gd} \Delta t) \right]$$
 (29a)

$$= \Delta \tilde{R}_{ij} \prod_{k=i}^{j-1} Exp(-\Delta \tilde{R}_{k+1j}^T J_r^k \eta_k^{gd} \Delta t)$$
 (29b)

$$\doteq \Delta \tilde{R}_{ij} Exp(-\Delta \phi_{ij})$$
 (29c)

... 类似可得到  $\Delta v_{ij}$  和  $\Delta p_{ij}$ . 接下来就是 "preintegrated measurement model"。

$$\Delta \tilde{R}_{ij} = R_i^T R_j Exp(\delta \phi_{ij}) \tag{30a}$$

$$\Delta \tilde{v}_{ij} = R_i^T (v_i - v_i - g\Delta t_{ij}) + \delta v_{ij} \tag{30b}$$

$$\Delta p_{ij} = R_i^T (p_j - p_i - v_i \Delta t_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} g \Delta t_{ij}^2) + \delta p_{ij}$$
(30c)

#### 2.6.2 Noise Propagation

最终可以证明 $\phi_{ij}$ ),  $\delta v_{ij}$  和  $\delta p_{ij}$  是  $\eta_k^{gd}$  的线性函数, 服从高斯分布。

## 2.6.3 Incorporating Bias Updates, given a bias update: $b \leftarrow \bar{b} + \delta b$

$$\Delta \tilde{R}_{ij}(b_i^g) \simeq \Delta \tilde{R}_{ij}(\bar{b}^g) Exp(\frac{\partial \Delta \bar{R}_{ij}}{\partial b^g} \delta b_i^g)$$
(31a)

$$\Delta \tilde{v}_{ij}(b_i^g, b_i^a) \simeq \Delta \tilde{v}_{ij}(\bar{b}_i^g, \bar{b}_i^a) + \frac{\partial \Delta \bar{v}_{ij}}{\partial b^g} \delta b_i^g + \frac{\partial \Delta \bar{v}_{ij}}{\partial b^a} \delta b_i^a$$
(31b)

$$\Delta \tilde{v}_{ij}(b_i^g, b_i^a) \simeq \Delta \tilde{v}_{ij}(\bar{b}_i^g, \bar{b}_i^a) + \frac{\partial \Delta \bar{v}_{ij}}{\partial b^g} \delta b_i^g + \frac{\partial \Delta \bar{v}_{ij}}{\partial b^a} \delta b_i^a$$

$$\Delta \tilde{p}_{ij}(b_i^g, b_i^a) \simeq \Delta \tilde{p}_{ij}(\bar{b}_i^g, \bar{b}_i^a) + \frac{\partial \Delta \bar{p}_{ij}}{\partial b_i^g} \delta b_i^g + \frac{\partial \Delta \bar{p}_{ij}}{\partial b^a} \delta b_i^a$$
(31b)

(31d)

#### 2.6.4 Bias Model

Bias are slowly time-varying quantities, Hence model them with a " Browian Motion". For more info, see IMU Model

$$\dot{b}^g(t) = \eta^{bg}, \quad \dot{b}^a(t) = \eta ba \tag{32}$$

the discrete form.

$$b_{i}^{g} = b_{i}^{g} + \eta^{bgd}, \quad b_{i}^{a} = b_{i}^{a} + \eta^{bad},$$
 (33)

covariance of discrete bias.

$$\Sigma^{bgd} \doteq \Delta t_{ij} Cov(\eta^{bg}), \quad \Sigma^{bad} \doteq \Delta t_{ij} Cov(\eta^{ba}),$$
 (34)

factor graph of bias model.

$$||r_{b_{ij}}||^2 \doteq ||b_j^g - b_i^g||_{\Sigma^{bgd}}^2 + ||b_j^a - b_i^a||_{\Sigma^{bad}}^2$$
(35)

## 2.7 Linearizing expression for nonlinear optimization

linearizing rotation matrix

transformation matrix

linearizing homogeneous points

examples on stereo camera

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# 3 mathematical principles behind the model

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- 3.0.4 Gauss-Newton Method on Manifold
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# 4 Problems still working on

- right jacobian and left jacobian
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# 5 supplementaries

- 5.1 高斯噪声与随机游走
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