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## Quiz 4 — 02/07/2024

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### **Credit Statement**

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However, all typed work is my own, with reference to class notes especially on homographies and transformations. I also referred to some of my earlier notes on linear algebra (from **MATH 22**) on the interpretations of matrices and their null-spaces, column-spaces, and row-spaces.

#### Problem 1.

(i) Prove that there exists a homography H that satisfies

$$\mathbf{x}_1 \equiv \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_2 \tag{1.1}$$

between the 2D points (in homogeneous coordinates)  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$  in the images of a plane  $\Pi$  captured by two  $3 \times 4$  camera projection matrices  $\mathbf{P}_1$  and  $\mathbf{P}_2$  respectively. The  $\equiv$  symbol is equality up to scale. Note: A degenerate case happens when the plane  $\Pi$  contains both cameras' centers, in which case there are infinite choices of  $\mathbf{H}$  satisfying the above equation. You can ignore this special case in your answer.

Write the points  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$  in terms of  $\mathbf{P}_1$  and  $\mathbf{P}_2$  and the real-world 3D point  $\mathbf{X}$ :

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{X}$$

While we cannot invert  $\mathbf{P}_1$  and  $\mathbf{P}_2$  directly (since they are  $3 \times 4$  matrices), we can transform then into invertible matrices as follows:

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X}$$
 
$$\mathbf{P}_1^T \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{P}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{X}$$
 
$$\left(\mathbf{P}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1\right)^{-1} \mathbf{P}_1^T \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{X}$$

Transforming  $P_2$  in the same way gives us the following equations:

$$\mathbf{X} = \left(\mathbf{P}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1\right)^{-1} \mathbf{P}_1^T \mathbf{x}_1$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \left(\mathbf{P}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2\right)^{-1} \mathbf{P}_2^T \mathbf{x}_2$$

By equating the two expressions for X, we have:

$$(\mathbf{P}_{1}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{1})^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{1}^{T}\mathbf{x}_{1} = (\mathbf{P}_{2}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{2})^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{2}^{T}\mathbf{x}_{2}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{1}^{T}\mathbf{x}_{1} = (\mathbf{P}_{1}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{1})(\mathbf{P}_{2}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{2})^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{2}^{T}\mathbf{x}_{2}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{1}\mathbf{P}_{1}^{T}\mathbf{x}_{1} = \mathbf{P}_{1}(\mathbf{P}_{1}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{1})(\mathbf{P}_{2}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{2})^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{2}^{T}\mathbf{x}_{2}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{1} = (\mathbf{P}_{1}\mathbf{P}_{1}^{T})^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{1}(\mathbf{P}_{1}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{1})(\mathbf{P}_{2}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{2})^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{2}^{T}\mathbf{x}_{2}$$

Thus, we can write  $\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{P}_1^T)^{-1} \mathbf{P}_1 (\mathbf{P}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1) (\mathbf{P}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2)^{-1} \mathbf{P}_2^T$  such that  $\mathbf{x}_1 \equiv \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x}_2$ .

(ii) Prove that there exists a homography  $\mathbf{H}$  that satisfies equation 1.1 given two cameras separated by a pure rotation. That is, for camera 1,  $\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{K}_1 \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}$ , and for camera 2,  $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{K}_2 \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}$ . Note that  $\mathbf{K}_1$  and  $\mathbf{K}_2$  are the  $3 \times 3$  intrinsic matrices of the two cameras and are different.  $\mathbf{I}$  is the  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix,  $\mathbf{0}$  is the  $3 \times 1$  zero vector, and  $\mathbf{X}$  is a point in 3D space.  $\mathbf{R}$  is the  $3 \times 3$  rotation matrix of the camera.

First, to simplify the notation, note that:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{R} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X},$$

So, define  $\mathbf{X}' = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}$ . Then, we can write  $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{K}_2 \mathbf{R} \mathbf{X}'$  and  $\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{K}_1 \mathbf{X}'$ . Therefore;

$$\mathbf{x}_{2} = \mathbf{K}_{2}\mathbf{R}\mathbf{X}'$$

$$= \mathbf{K}_{2}\mathbf{R}\underbrace{\mathbf{K}_{1}^{-1}\mathbf{K}_{1}}_{\mathbf{I}}\mathbf{X}'$$

$$= \mathbf{K}_{2}\mathbf{R}\mathbf{K}_{1}^{-1}\underbrace{\mathbf{K}_{1}\mathbf{X}'}_{\mathbf{x}_{1}}$$

$$= \mathbf{K}_{2}\mathbf{R}\mathbf{K}_{1}^{-1}\mathbf{x}_{1}$$

Thus, we can write  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}_2 \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}_1^{-1}$  such that  $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x}_1$ .

(iii) Suppose that a camera is rotating about its center C, keeping the intrinsic parameters K constant. Let H be the homography that maps the view from one camera orientation to the view at a second orientation. Let  $\theta$  be the angle of rotation between the two orientations. Show that  $H^2$  is the homography corresponding to a rotation of  $2\theta$ .

Let  $\mathbf{H}_{\theta}$  be the homography corresponding to a rotation of  $\theta$ , and let  $\mathbf{H}_{2\theta}$  be the homography corresponding to a rotation of  $2\theta$ . As seen above, the homography  $\mathbf{H}_{\theta}$  is given by  $\mathbf{H}_{\theta} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}(\theta)\mathbf{K}^{-1}$  and  $\mathbf{H}_{2\theta} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{R}(2\theta)\mathbf{K}^{-1}$ . Let us expand the rotation matrices and find an expression for  $\mathbf{R}(2\theta)$  in terms of  $\mathbf{R}(\theta)$ .:

$$\mathbf{R}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{R}(2\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\theta & -\sin 2\theta \\ \sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the double-angle formulae for sine and cosine,

$$\sin 2\theta = 2\sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$\cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta.$$

Substituting these into the expression for  $\mathbf{R}(2\theta)$  gives

$$\mathbf{R}(2\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta & -2\sin\theta\cos\theta \\ 2\sin\theta\cos\theta & \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \mathbf{R}(\theta)^2$$

Substituting this into the original expression for  $\mathbf{H}_{2\theta}$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_{2\theta} &= \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} (2\theta) \mathbf{K}^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} (\theta)^{2} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} (\theta) \mathbf{R} (\theta) \mathbf{K}^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} (\theta) \underbrace{\mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{K}}_{\mathbf{I}} \mathbf{R} (\theta) \mathbf{K}^{-1} \\ &= \left( \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} (\theta) \mathbf{K}^{-1} \right) \left( \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} (\theta) \mathbf{K}^{-1} \right) \\ &= \left( \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R} (\theta) \mathbf{K}^{-1} \right)^{2} \\ &= \mathbf{H}_{\theta}^{2} \end{aligned}$$

### Problem 2.

In class, we say that a camera matrix satisfies the equation  $\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}_i$ , and that six 3D-2D matches  $\mathbf{x} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{X}$  are sufficient to recover  $\mathbf{P}$  using a linear (non-iterative) algorithm.

Find a linear algorithm for computing the camera matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  in the special case when the camera location (but not orientation) is known. Ignoring degenerate configurations, how many 2D-3D matches are required for there to be a unique solution? Justify your answer.

In the special case when the camera location (but not orientation) is known, we can write the camera matrix  ${f P}$  as:

$$P = K \begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\mathbf{K}$  is the  $3 \times 3$  intrinsic matrix of the camera,  $\mathbf{R}$  is the  $3 \times 3$  rotation matrix, and  $\mathbf{t}$  is the  $3 \times 1$  translation vector, which is known.

Our goal is to find  $\mathbf{K}$  and  $\mathbf{R}$  from the 3D-2D matches  $\mathbf{x} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{X}$ . Suppose we have N 3D-2D matches  $\mathbf{x} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{X}$ . For any one correspondence  $\mathbf{x}_i \leftrightarrow \mathbf{X}_i$ , we can write:

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_i$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ z_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f_y & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & r_2 & r_3 & t_1 \\ r_4 & r_5 & r_6 & t_2 \\ r_7 & r_8 & r_9 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_i \\ Y_i \\ Z_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, we have:

$$= \begin{bmatrix} f_x r_1 + c_x r_7 & f_x r_2 + c_x r_8 & f_x r_3 + c_x r_9 & f_x t_1 + c_x \\ f_y r_4 + c_y r_7 & f_y r_5 + c_y r_8 & f_y r_6 + c_y r_9 & f_y t_2 + c_y \\ r_7 & r_8 & r_9 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_i \\ Y_i \\ Z_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, we get the following equations:

$$\mathbf{x}_{i} = (f_{x}r_{1} + c_{x}r_{7})\mathbf{X}_{i} + (f_{x}r_{2} + c_{x}r_{8})\mathbf{Y}_{i} + (f_{x}r_{3} + c_{x}r_{9})\mathbf{Z}_{i} + (f_{x}t_{1} + c_{x})$$

$$\mathbf{y}_{i} = (f_{y}r_{4} + c_{y}r_{7})\mathbf{X}_{i} + (f_{y}r_{5} + c_{y}r_{8})\mathbf{Y}_{i} + (f_{y}r_{6} + c_{y}r_{9})\mathbf{Z}_{i} + (f_{y}t_{2} + c_{y})$$

$$\mathbf{z}_{i} = r_{7}\mathbf{X}_{i} + r_{8}\mathbf{Y}_{i} + r_{9}\mathbf{Z}_{i} + 1$$

 $z_i$  is the scale factor, since

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_i \\ \mathbf{y}_i \\ \mathbf{z}_i \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_i/\mathbf{z}_i \\ \mathbf{y}_i/\mathbf{z}_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus, each 3D-2D match gives us two useful equations. Ignoring degenerate configurations where  ${\bf K}$  changes, and ignoring the scale factor, we would have 12-1=11 unknowns in the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} {\bf R} & {\bf t} \end{bmatrix}$  if  ${\bf t}$  was unknown. However, since

$$\mathbf{t} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is known, we have  $11 - 2 = 9$  remaining unknowns, so we need at least 9 equations to solve for the unknowns

uniquely. Since each  $\mathbf{x}_i \leftrightarrow \mathbf{X}_i$  correspondence gives us 2 equations, we need at least  $\lceil \frac{9}{2} \rceil = 5$  3D-2D matches to have a unique solution.

# Algorithm

**1.** For each 3D-2D match  $\mathbf{x}_i \leftrightarrow \mathbf{X}_i$ , write the equations

$$\mathbf{x}_{i} = (f_{x}r_{1} + c_{x}r_{7})\mathbf{X}_{i} + (f_{x}r_{2} + c_{x}r_{8})\mathbf{Y}_{i} + (f_{x}r_{3} + c_{x}r_{9})\mathbf{Z}_{i} + (f_{x}t_{1} + c_{x})$$

$$\mathbf{y}_{i} = (f_{y}r_{4} + c_{y}r_{7})\mathbf{X}_{i} + (f_{y}r_{5} + c_{y}r_{8})\mathbf{Y}_{i} + (f_{y}r_{6} + c_{y}r_{9})\mathbf{Z}_{i} + (f_{y}t_{2} + c_{y})$$

$$\mathbf{z}_{i} = r_{7}\mathbf{X}_{i} + r_{8}\mathbf{Y}_{i} + r_{9}\mathbf{Z}_{i} + 1$$

2. Stack the equations for all  $N=5~\mathrm{3D\text{-}2D}$  matches to get a system of linear equations

$$AR = b$$

- 3. Solve for  $\mathbf{R}$  using the linear least squares method.
- **4.** Once  $\mathbf{R}$  is known, solve for  $\mathbf{P}$  using the equation

$$P = K \begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix}$$