Geometric Primitives & Transformation

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2D Points

Definition

2D points can be denoted using a pair of values, $\mathbf{x} = (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Alternatively

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

2D Points(2)

• 2D point can also be represented in homogeneous coordinate

Definition

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{w}) \in \mathbb{P}^2$$

where vectors differs only by scale are considered equivalent

Definition

 $\mathbb{P}^2 = \mathbb{R}^3 - (0,0,0)$ is called as 2D *projective space*

2D Points(3)

Definition

Homogeneous points whose last element is $\tilde{w}=1,~\tilde{x}=(\tilde{x},\tilde{y},1)$ is called **augmented vector**.

Homogeneous points whose last element is $\tilde{w}=0$ are called ideal points or points at infinity.

2D Lines

Definition

2D lines is representable in homogeneous coordinate $\tilde{l}=(a,b,c)$ with the corresponding line equation

$$\bar{x}.\tilde{l} = ax + by + c$$

- We can normalize the line equation vector so that $l=(\hat{n}_x,\hat{n}_u,d)=(\hat{n},d)$ with $||\hat{n}||=1$.
- \hat{x} is normal vector perpendicular to the line
- d is its distance to the origin.
- line at infinity $\tilde{l}=(0,0,1)$

2D Lines(2)

ullet $\hat{m{n}}$ can be expressed as function of rotational angle heta

$$\hat{n} = (\hat{n}_x, \hat{n}_y) = (cos(\theta), sin(\theta))$$

The combination of (θ,d) is known as *polar coordinates* and commonly used as Hough Transform line finding algorithm.

2D Lines(3)

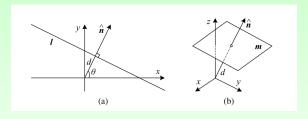


Figure: (a) 2D line equation and (b) 3D plane equation, expressed in terms of the normal \hat{n} and distance to the origin d.

2D Lines(4)

 when using homogeneous coordinates, we can compute the intersection of two lines as

$$\tilde{x} = \tilde{l}_1 \times \tilde{l}_2$$

where \tilde{x} is cross product operator

• Similarly, line joining two points can be written as

$$\tilde{l} = \tilde{x}_1 \times \tilde{x}_2$$

Cross Product

For 3 dimensional vectors the following rule applied

$$ec{a} imes ec{b} = \left| egin{array}{ccc} ec{i} & ec{j} & ec{k} \ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \ \end{array}
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Question

What if the vectors high dimensionals?

2D Conics

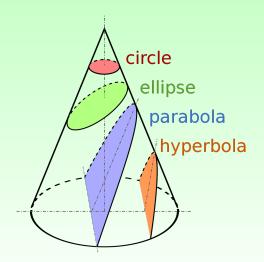


Figure: Different perspectives of conics

2D Conics

Definition

Intersection of a plane and a 3D cone, written as Quadric equation

$$\tilde{x}^T Q \tilde{x} = 0$$

Used extensively for multi-view geometry and camera calibration.

3D Points

Inhomogeneous coordinates

$$\mathbf{x} = (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

Homogeneous coordinates

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z}, \tilde{w}) \in \mathbb{P}^3$$

Augmented Vector 3D Points

$$ar{\mathbf{x}} = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z}, \tilde{1})$$
 with $\tilde{x} = \tilde{w}\bar{x}$

3D Planes

Homogeneous Form

 $\tilde{m}=(a,b,c,d)$ with a corresponding plane equation

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}.\tilde{\mathbf{m}} = ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

- Plane equation normalization $\mathbf{m}=(\hat{n}_x,\hat{n}_y,\hat{n}_z,d)=(\hat{\mathbf{n}},d)$ with $||\hat{n}=1||$
- \hat{n} is the *normal vector* perpendicular to the plane and d is its distance to the origin.

3D Planes(2)

- the plane at infinity $\tilde{m} = (0,0,0,1)$ cannot be normalized
- ullet \hat{n} can also be expressed in spherical coordinate

function of two angles (θ, ϕ)

 $\hat{n} = (\cos(\theta)\cos(\phi), \sin(\theta)\cos(\phi), \sin(\phi))$

3D Lines

- Won't be described in detail here, 3D lines are more complex than 3D plane.
- there are two approaches
 - Intersection of two planes
 - Regression of two points

Regression of two points

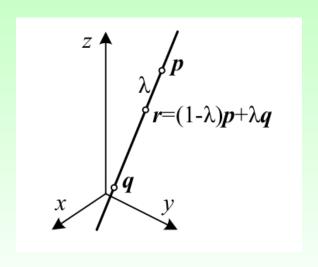


Figure: 3D line equation, $r = (1 - \lambda)p + \lambda q$.

Intersection of two planes

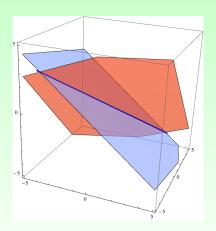


Figure: $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = d_1 \text{ and } a_2x + b_2y + c_2z = d_2\}.$

2D Transformation

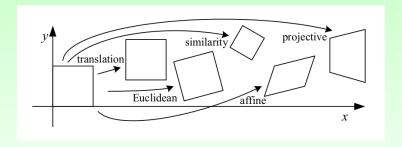


Figure: Basic set of 2D planar transformations

2D Translation

2D translations can be written as x' = x + t or

$$x' = \begin{bmatrix} I & t \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$$

Where I is 2 \times 2 identity matrix or

$$\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} I & t \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$$

Where 0 is the zero vector

Rotation + translation

This transformation is known as 2D rigid body motion or 2D euclidean transform, written as x' = Rx + t or

$$\bar{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$$

with

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

is an orthonormal rotation matrix $RR^T=I$ and $\vert R\vert=1.$



Scaled rotation

This transformation is known as *similarity transform* expressed as x' = sRx + t where s is arbitrary scale factor.

$$x' = \begin{bmatrix} sR & t \end{bmatrix} \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b & t_x \\ b & a & t_y \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$$

This similarity transform preserves angles between lines.

Affine Transform

Generalized form of any transformation operation in 2D space with a transformation matrix

Definition

 $x' = A\bar{x}$, where A is arbitrary 2 \times 3 matrix. i.e.

$$x' = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} & a_{02} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} & a_{12} \end{bmatrix} \bar{x}$$

Parallel lines remain parallel under affine transforms.

Projective

Alternatively known as perspective transform or homography, operates on homogeneous coordinates.

$$\tilde{x}' = \tilde{H}\tilde{x}$$

 \tilde{H} is homogeneous, two \tilde{H} matrices that differ only by scale are equivalent.

Projective(2)

The resulting homogeneous coordinate \tilde{x}' must be normalized in order to obtain an inhomogeneous result x

$$x' = \frac{h_{00}x + h_{01}y + h_{02}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + h_{22}} \tag{1}$$

$$y' = \frac{h_{10}x + h_{11}y + h_{12}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + h_{22}}$$
 (2)

This transformation preserve straight lines.

Co-Vectors

Consider homogeneous equation $\tilde{l}\cdot\tilde{x}=0$. Substitute $x'=\tilde{H}x$, then

$$\tilde{l}'\cdot\tilde{x}'=\tilde{l}'^T\tilde{H}\tilde{x}=(\tilde{H}^T\tilde{l})^T\tilde{x}=\tilde{l}\cdot\tilde{x}=0$$
 i.e.
$$\tilde{l}'=\tilde{H}^{-T}\tilde{l}$$

- This shows we can do transformation on 2D line instead of doing transformation per points.
- Thus the action of a projective transforms on a co-vector (i.e. 2D Line, 3D normal can be represented by the transposed inverse of the matrix (adjoint of \tilde{H}).

2D transformations summary

Transformation	Matrix	# DoF	Preserves	Icon
translation	$\left[egin{array}{c c} I & t \end{array} ight]_{2 imes 3}$	2	orientation	
rigid (Euclidean)	$\left[egin{array}{c c} R & t \end{array} ight]_{2 imes 3}$	3	lengths	\Diamond
similarity	$\left[\begin{array}{c c} sR \mid t\end{array}\right]_{2 \times 3}$	4	angles	\Diamond
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projective	$\left[egin{array}{c} ilde{m{H}} \end{array} ight]_{4 imes 4}$	15	straight lines	

3D Rotation

3D rotation is not so straightforward. There are 3 methods to do that:

- Euler angles
- Axis
- Unit Quarternions

Euler Angles

- Product of three separate rotations around 3-axes.
- The results depends on the rotation order.
- It is not always to move smoothly in parameter space (axis), small change in a certain rotation axis impact large change in different axis.
- Bad!

Axis (exponential twist)

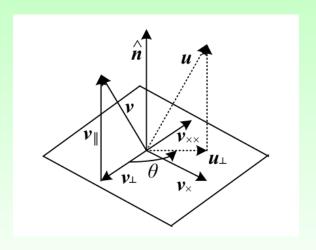


Figure: Rotation around an axis \hat{n} by an angle θ .