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 lecture by Lourakis “Bundle adjustment gone public”

- Bundle Adjustment (BA) is a key ingredient of SaM, almost always used as its last step
 - It is an optimization problem over the 3D structure and viewing parameters (camera pose, intrinsic calibration, & radial distortion parameters), which are simultaneously refined for minimizing reprojection error
 - very large nonlinear least squares problem, typically solved with the Levenberg-Marquardt (LM) algorithm
 - Std LM involves the repetitive solution of linear systems, each with $O(N^3)$ time and $O(N^2)$ storage complexity, resp.
 - Example: for 54 cameras and 5207 3D points, $N = 15945$. $\implies N^3 = 1e12$
 - Sparse LM is a better solution.
 - Example:
 - M images
 - N features
 - \mathbf{x}_{i_j} = projection of feature “ i ” on image “ j ”
 - \mathbf{a}_j = vector of parameters for camera “ j ”
 - \mathbf{b}_i = vectors of parameters for point “ i ”
 - $Q(\mathbf{a}_j, \mathbf{b}_i)$ = the predicted projection of point i on image j ,
 - $d(., .)$ the Euclidean distance between image points
 - $v_{ij} = 1$ iff point i is visible in image j
 - minimize reproduction error over $\mathbf{a}_j, \mathbf{b}_i$: $\min_{\mathbf{a}_j, \mathbf{b}_i} (\sum_{i=1}^N (\sum_{j=1}^M (v_{ij} * d(Q(\mathbf{a}_j, \mathbf{b}_i), \mathbf{x}_{i_j}))^2))$
 - \implies total number of parameters is $M * (\text{camera parameters}) + N * (\text{point parameters})$
 - let \mathbf{P} = parameter vector of camera then point parameters = $[\mathbf{P}_C \ \mathbf{P}_P]$
 - let $\mathbf{X} = [(\mathbf{x}_{\hat{1}_1})^T \ (\mathbf{x}_{\hat{1}_2})^T \ \dots \ (\mathbf{x}_{\hat{1}_M})^T \ (\mathbf{x}_{\hat{2}_1})^T \ \dots \ (\mathbf{x}_{\hat{N}_M})^T]$
 - where $\mathbf{x}_{\hat{i}} = Q(\mathbf{a}_j, \mathbf{b}_i)$,
 - let error $\mathbf{eps} = [(\mathbf{eps}_{1_1})^T \ (\mathbf{eps}_{1_2})^T \ \dots \ (\mathbf{eps}_{1_M})^T \ (\mathbf{eps}_{2_1})^T \ \dots \ (\mathbf{eps}_{N_M})^T]$
 - where $\mathbf{eps} = \mathbf{x}_{i_j} - \mathbf{x}_{\hat{i}_j}$

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Bundle Adjustment (BA) becomes

$\min (\text{summation}_{i=1_to_N}(\text{summation}_{j=1_to_M} (\text{eps}_{i_j})^2)))$ over P

Jacobian $J = d(X_hat) / d(P)$ which has a block structure because of P being [camera parameters point parameters]

$J = [A \mid B]$ where $A = d(X_hat) / d(a)$ and $B = d(X_hat) / d(b)$

The LM updating vector $\delta = [(\delta(a))^T \ (\delta(b))^T]^T$

The normal equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^T A & A^T B \\ B^T A & B^T B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta(a) \\ \delta(b) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A^T \text{eps} \\ B^T \text{eps} \end{bmatrix}$$

The lhs matrix above is sparse due to A and B being sparse:

$\partial \hat{x}_{ij} / \partial a_k = 0, \forall j \neq k$ and

$\partial \hat{x}_{ij} / \partial b_k = 0, \forall i \neq k$

(example cont.) M images = 3, N features = 4

$J = \frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{X}}}{\partial \mathbf{P}}$ has a block structure $[\mathbf{A} | \mathbf{B}]$,

Let $\mathbf{A}_{ij} = \frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{ij}}{\partial \mathbf{a}_j}$ and $\mathbf{B}_{ij} = \frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{ij}}{\partial \mathbf{b}_i}$

- The Jacobian \mathbf{J} in block form:

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{X}}}{\partial \mathbf{P}} =$$

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{x}_{11} \\ \mathbf{x}_{12} \\ \mathbf{x}_{13} \\ \mathbf{x}_{21} \\ \mathbf{x}_{22} \\ \mathbf{x}_{23} \\ \mathbf{x}_{31} \\ \mathbf{x}_{32} \\ \mathbf{x}_{33} \\ \mathbf{x}_{41} \\ \mathbf{x}_{42} \\ \mathbf{x}_{43} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1^T & \mathbf{a}_2^T & \mathbf{a}_3^T & \mathbf{b}_1^T & \mathbf{b}_2^T & \mathbf{b}_3^T & \mathbf{b}_4^T \\ \mathbf{A}_{11} & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{A}_{12} & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{A}_{13} & \mathbf{B}_{13} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \mathbf{A}_{21} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{21} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{A}_{22} & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{22} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{A}_{23} & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{23} & 0 & 0 \\ \mathbf{A}_{31} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{31} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{A}_{32} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{32} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{A}_{33} & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{33} & 0 \\ \mathbf{A}_{41} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{41} \\ 0 & \mathbf{A}_{42} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{42} \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{A}_{43} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{B}_{43} \end{pmatrix}$$

(1)

This is the so-called *primary structure* of BA

- Approximate Hessian in block form:

$$\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} =$$

$$\begin{matrix} & \mathbf{a}_1^T & \mathbf{a}_2^T & \mathbf{a}_3^T & \mathbf{b}_1^T & \mathbf{b}_2^T & \mathbf{b}_3^T & \mathbf{b}_4^T \\ \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{U}_1 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{W}_{11} & \mathbf{W}_{21} & \mathbf{W}_{31} & \mathbf{W}_{41} \\ \mathbf{a}_2 & 0 & \mathbf{U}_2 & 0 & \mathbf{W}_{12} & \mathbf{W}_{22} & \mathbf{W}_{32} & \mathbf{W}_{42} \\ \mathbf{a}_3 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{U}_3 & \mathbf{W}_{13} & \mathbf{W}_{23} & \mathbf{W}_{33} & \mathbf{W}_{43} \\ \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{W}_{11}^T & \mathbf{W}_{12}^T & \mathbf{W}_{13}^T & \mathbf{V}_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \mathbf{b}_2 & \mathbf{W}_{21}^T & \mathbf{W}_{22}^T & \mathbf{W}_{23}^T & 0 & \mathbf{V}_2 & 0 & 0 \\ \mathbf{b}_3 & \mathbf{W}_{31}^T & \mathbf{W}_{32}^T & \mathbf{W}_{33}^T & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{V}_3 & 0 \\ \mathbf{b}_4 & \mathbf{W}_{41}^T & \mathbf{W}_{42}^T & \mathbf{W}_{43}^T & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{V}_4 \end{matrix}$$

(2)

$$\equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{U} & \mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{W}^T & \mathbf{V} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{U}_j \equiv \sum_{i=1}^4 \mathbf{A}_{ij}^T \mathbf{A}_{ij},$$

for 1 image, summing over all features

$$\mathbf{V}_i \equiv \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{B}_{ij}^T \mathbf{B}_{ij},$$

for 1 feature, summing over all images

$$\mathbf{W}_{ij} = \mathbf{A}_{ij}^T \mathbf{B}_{ij}$$

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- The augmented normal equations $(J^T J + \mu I) \delta_p = J^T \epsilon$ take the form

where $\mu > 0$

$$(3) \quad \begin{pmatrix} U^* & W \\ W^T & V^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_a \\ \delta_b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_a \\ \epsilon_b \end{pmatrix}$$

- Performing block Gaussian elimination in the lhs matrix, δ_a is determined with Cholesky from V^* 's Schur complement:

$$(4) \quad (U^* - W V^{*-1} W^T) \delta_a = \epsilon_a - W V^{*-1} \epsilon_b$$

Schur complement: multiply 1st matrix on res by

$$\begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ (((-V^*)^{-1})W^T & I \end{pmatrix}$$

resulting in:

$$\begin{pmatrix} (U^*) - W(((V^*)^{-1})W^T & W \\ 0 & (V^*) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_a \\ \delta_b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_a \\ \epsilon_b \end{pmatrix}$$

note (V^*) is invertible and only the block diagonals are populated, so each V_i is inverted.

separate δ_b : $0 * \delta_a + (V^*) * \delta_b = \epsilon_b \implies \delta_b = \epsilon_b * ((V^*)^{-1})$
solving for δ_a (typically M images \ll N features) after substitute δ_b :

$$((U^*) - W(((V^*)^{-1})W^T) * \delta_a + W * \delta_b = \epsilon_a$$

$$((U^*) - W(((V^*)^{-1})W^T) * \delta_a = \epsilon_a - W((V^*)^{-1})\epsilon_b$$

NOTE: $(U^*) - W(((V^*)^{-1})W^T$ is called the reduced camera matrix (because δ_a is camera parameters)

$$V^{*-1} = \begin{pmatrix} V_1^{*-1} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & V_2^{*-1} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

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RCM (reduced camera matrix) is sparse because not all features appear in all cameras.
this is known as **secondary structure**.

For very large datasets, RCM tends to be in one of two classes:

- (1) ◦ visual mapping: extended areas are traversed, limited image overlap (sparse RCM)
- (2) ◦ centered-object: a large number of overlapping images taken in a small area (dense RCM)

Solving for δ_a in the equation containing RCM. several ways:

- (1) Store as dense, decompose with **ordinary linear algebra** ◦ [M. Lourakis, A. Argyros: SBA: A Software Package For Generic Sparse Bundle Adjustment. ACM Trans. Math. Softw. 36(1): (2009) ◦ C. Engels, H. Stewenius, D. Nister: Bundle Adjustment Rules. Photogrammetric Computer Vision (PCV), 2006.
- (2) • Store as sparse, factorize with **sparse direct solvers** ◦ K. Konolige: Sparse Sparse Bundle Adjustment. BMVC 2010: 1-11
- (3) Store as sparse, use **conjugate gradient methods** memory efficient, iterative, preconditioners necessary! ◦ S. Agarwal, N. Snavely, S.M. Seitz, R. Szeliski: Bundle Adjustment in the Large. ECCV (2) 2010: 29-42 ◦ M. Byrod, K. Astrom: Conjugate Gradient Bundle Adjustment. ECCV (2) 2010: 114-127
- (4) • Avoid storing altogether ◦ C. Wu, S. Agarwal, B. Curless, S.M. Seitz: Multicore Bundle Adjustment. CVPR 2011: 30 57-3064 ◦ M. Lourakis: Sparse Non-linear Least Squares Optimization for Geometric Vision. ECCV (2) 2010: 43-56

Engels, Stewenius, Nister 2006, “Bundle Adjustment Rules”

m images (= video frames from same calibrated camera)

? features

each feature x has M dimensions

n iterations of bundle adjustment over the last m video frames

their “RCM” is formed from a jacobian which places point parameters before camera parameters, so is different than that in the Lourakis notes.

$$J_f = \begin{bmatrix} J_P & J_C \end{bmatrix}, \quad (15)$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} J_P^\top J_P & J_P^\top J_C \\ J_C^\top J_P & J_C^\top J_C \end{bmatrix}, \quad (16)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} H_{PP} & H_{PC} \\ H_{PC}^\top & H_{CC} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dP \\ dC \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_P \\ b_C \end{bmatrix}, \quad (17)$$

where we have defined $H_{PP} = J_P^\top J_P$, $H_{PC} = J_P^\top J_C$, $H_{CC} = J_C^\top J_C$, $b_P = -J_P^\top f$, $b_C = -J_C^\top f$ to simplify the notation, and dP and dC represent the update of the point parameters and the camera parameters, respectively. Note that the matrices H_{PP} and H_{CC} are block-diagonal, where the blocks correspond to

of as multiplying by

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -H_{PC}^\top & I \end{bmatrix} \quad (20)$$

from the left on both sides, resulting in the smaller equation system (from the lower part)

$$\underbrace{(H_{CC} - H_{PC}^\top H_{PP}^{-1} H_{PC})}_A dC = \underbrace{b_C - H_{PC}^\top H_{PP}^{-1} b_P}_B \quad (21)$$

for the camera parameter update dC . For very large systems,

We use straightforward Cholesky factorization.

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C **P**

$$\mathbf{J} = \frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{X}}}{\partial \mathbf{P}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{X}}}{\partial \mathbf{a}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathbf{X}}}{\partial \mathbf{b}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}_C & \mathbf{J}_P \end{bmatrix}$$

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where

$$\mathbf{U}_j \equiv \sum_{i=1}^4 \mathbf{A}_{ij}^T \mathbf{A}_{ij},$$

for 1 image, sum over features

$$\mathbf{V}_i \equiv \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{B}_{ij}^T \mathbf{B}_{ij},$$

for 1 feature, sum over images

$$\mathbf{W}_{ij} = \mathbf{A}_{ij}^T \mathbf{B}_{ij}$$

Note that $\mathbf{V}^{*-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_1^{*-1} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{V}_2^{*-1} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$

Lourakis

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U} - \mathbf{W} \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{W}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{\mathbf{a}} \\ \delta_{\mathbf{b}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & -\mathbf{W} \mathbf{V}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{\mathbf{a}} \\ \epsilon_{\mathbf{b}} \end{bmatrix}$$

(solve delta a first because typically $m_{\text{images}} \ll n_{\text{features}}$)

determine $\delta_{\mathbf{a}}$ with Cholesky (or other method)

$$(\mathbf{U}^* - \mathbf{W} \mathbf{V}^{*-1} \mathbf{W}^T) \delta_{\mathbf{a}} = \epsilon_{\mathbf{a}} - \mathbf{W} \mathbf{V}^{*-1} \epsilon_{\mathbf{b}}$$

$\delta_{\mathbf{b}}$ can be computed by back substitution into

$$\mathbf{V}^* \delta_{\mathbf{b}} = \epsilon_{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{W}^T \delta_{\mathbf{a}}$$

$$\delta_{\mathbf{b}} = \mathbf{V}^{*-1} \epsilon_{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{V}^{*-1} \mathbf{W}^T \delta_{\mathbf{a}}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}^* & \mathbf{W}^T \\ \mathbf{W} & \mathbf{U}^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{\mathbf{b}} \\ \delta_{\mathbf{a}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{\mathbf{b}} \\ \epsilon_{\mathbf{a}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} H_{PP} & H_{PC} \\ H_{PC}^T & H_{CC} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dP \\ dC \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_P \\ b_C \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{aligned} H_{PP} &= J_P^T J_P \\ H_{PC} &= J_P^T J_C, \\ H_{CC} &= J_C^T J_C, \\ b_P &= -J_P^T f, \\ b_C &= -J_C^T f \end{aligned}$$

$$(\mathbf{U}^* - \mathbf{W} \mathbf{V}^{*-1} \mathbf{W}^T) \delta_{\mathbf{a}} = \epsilon_{\mathbf{a}} - \mathbf{W} \mathbf{V}^{*-1} \epsilon_{\mathbf{b}}$$

$$\underbrace{(H_{CC} - H_{PC}^T H_{PP}^{-1} H_{PC})}_{\mathbf{A}} dC = \underbrace{b_C - H_{PC}^T H_{PP}^{-1} b_P}_{\mathbf{B}}$$

$\delta_{\mathbf{b}}$ can be computed by back substitution into

$$\mathbf{V}^* \delta_{\mathbf{b}} = \epsilon_{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{W}^T \delta_{\mathbf{a}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{PP} dP &= b_P - H_{PC} dC \\ dP &= H_{PP}^{-1} b_P - H_{PP}^{-1} H_{PC} dC. \end{aligned}$$

Engels, et al 2006

Note that $V^{*-1} = \begin{pmatrix} V_1^{*-1} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & V_2^{*-1} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{PP} &= J_P^\top J_P && \equiv V^* \\ H_{PC} &= J_P^\top J_C, && \equiv W^T \\ H_{CC} &= J_C^\top J_C, && \equiv U^* \\ b_P &= -J_P^\top f, && \equiv \epsilon_b \\ b_C &= -J_C^\top f && \equiv \epsilon_a \end{aligned}$$

$$V_i \equiv \sum_{j=1}^3 B_{ij}^\top B_{ij}, \text{ for 1 feature, sum over images}$$

$$U_j \equiv \sum_{i=1}^4 A_{ij}^\top A_{ij}, \text{ for 1 image, sum over features}$$

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- 1 Initialize λ .
- 2 **Compute cost function** at initial camera and point configuration.
- 3 Clear the left hand side matrix A and right hand side vector B .
- 4 For each track p (p is feature i of N)
 - {

Clear a variable H_{pp} to represent block p of H_{PP} (in our case a symmetric 3×3 matrix) and a variable b_p to represent part p of b_P (in our case a 3-vector).

(Compute derivatives) For each camera c on track p

(c is image j of M)

- { Compute error vector f of reprojection in camera c of point p and its Jacobians J_p and J_c with respect to the

point parameters (in our case a 2×3 matrix) and the camera parameters (in our case a 2×6 matrix), respectively.

Add $J_p^\top J_p$ to the upper triangular part of H_{pp} .
Subtract $J_p^\top f$ from b_p .

If camera c is free

- { $A_c^\top A_c$
Add $J_c^\top J_c$ (optionally with an augmented diagonal) to upper triangular part of block (c, c) of left hand side matrix A (in our case a 6×6 matrix).
Compute block (p, c) of H_{PC} as $H_{pc} = J_p^\top J_c$ (in our case a 3×6 matrix) and store it until track is done.
Subtract $J_c^\top f$ from part c of right hand side vector B (related to b_C).

Augment diagonal of H_{pp} , which is now accumulated and ready. Invert H_{pp} , taking advantage of the fact that it is a symmetric matrix.

Compute $H_{pp}^{-1} b_p$ and store it in a variable t_p .

(Outer product of track) For each free camera c on track p

- {
Subtract $H_{pc}^\top t_p = H_{pc}^\top H_{pp}^{-1} b_p$ from part c of right hand side vector B .
Compute the matrix $H_{pc}^\top H_{pp}^{-1}$ and store it in a variable T_{pc}
For each free camera $c2 \geq c$ on track p
{
Subtract $T_{pc} H_{pc2} = H_{pc}^\top H_{pp}^{-1} H_{pc2}$ from block $(c, c2)$ of left hand side matrix A .
}
}
}

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Note that $V^{*-1} = \begin{pmatrix} V_1^{*-1} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & V_2^{*-1} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{PP} &= J_P^\top J_P && \equiv V^* \\ H_{PC} &= J_P^\top J_C, && \equiv W^T \\ H_{CC} &= J_C^\top J_C, && \equiv U^* \\ b_P &= -J_P^\top f, && \equiv \epsilon_b \\ b_C &= -J_C^\top f && \equiv \epsilon_a \end{aligned}$$

$$V_i \equiv \sum_{j=1}^3 B_{ij}^T B_{ij}, \quad \text{for 1 feature, sum over images}$$

$$U_j \equiv \sum_{i=1}^4 A_{ij}^T A_{ij}, \quad \text{for 1 image, sum over features}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (U^* - W V^{*-1} W^T) \delta_a &= \epsilon_a - W V^{*-1} \epsilon_b \\ \underbrace{(H_{CC} - H_{PC}^T H_{PP}^{-1} H_{PC})}_{A} dC &= \underbrace{b_C - H_{PC}^T H_{PP}^{-1} b_P}_B \end{aligned}$$

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- 5 (Optional) Fix gauge by freezing appropriate coordinates and thereby reducing the linear system with a few dimensions.
- 6 **(Linear Solving)** Cholesky factor the left hand side matrix B and solve for dC . Add frozen coordinates back in.
- 7 **(Back-substitution)** For each track p
 - {
 - Start with point update for this track $dp = t_p$.
 - For each camera c on track p
 - {
 - Subtract $T_{pc}^\top dc$ from dp (where dc is the update for camera c).
 - }
 - Compute updated point.
 - }
- 8 **Compute the cost function** for the updated camera and point configuration.
- 9 If cost function has improved, accept the update step, decrease λ and go to Step 3 (unless converged, in which case quit).
- 10 Otherwise, increase λ and go to Step 3 (unless exceeded the maximum number of iterations, in which case quit).

every real-valued symmetric positive-definite matrix has a unique Cholesky decomposition.

A in the RCM is the Schur complement of HPP (HPP is called V^* by Lourakis).

V^* is a symmetric positive definite matrix (spdm).

There exists proof that the Schur complement of a spdm is a symmetric positive definite matrix.

So A can be solved by Cholesky decomposition.

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6.1 The Schur Complement and the Reduced Bundle System

Schur complement: Consider the following block triangular matrix factorization:

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ CA^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{D} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & A^{-1}B \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \bar{D} \equiv D - CA^{-1}B \quad (16)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -A^{-1}B \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{D}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -CA^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A^{-1} + A^{-1}B\bar{D}^{-1}CA^{-1} & -A^{-1}B\bar{D}^{-1} \\ -\bar{D}^{-1}CA^{-1} & \bar{D}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (17)$$

Here A must be square and invertible, and for (17), the whole matrix must also be square and invertible. \bar{D} is called the **Schur complement** of A in M . If both A and D are invertible, complementing on D rather than A gives \bar{D} , the Schur complement, is HPP is V^* .

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{A}^{-1} & -\bar{A}^{-1}B\bar{D}^{-1} \\ -\bar{D}^{-1}C\bar{A}^{-1} & \bar{D}^{-1} + \bar{D}^{-1}C\bar{A}^{-1}B\bar{D}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \bar{A} = A - B\bar{D}^{-1}C$$

Equating upper left blocks gives the **Woodbury formula**:

$$(A \pm B\bar{D}^{-1}C)^{-1} = A^{-1} \mp A^{-1}B(D \pm CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1} \quad (18)$$

This is the usual method of updating the inverse of a nonsingular matrix A after an update (especially a low rank one) $A \rightarrow A \pm B\bar{D}^{-1}C$. (See §8.1).

$$\begin{aligned} (U^* - W \boxed{V^{*-1}} W^T) \delta_a &= \epsilon_a - W V^{*-1} \epsilon_b \\ \underbrace{(H_{CC} - H_{PC}^T \boxed{H_{PP}^{-1}} H_{PC})}_{\bar{D}} dC &= \underbrace{b_C - H_{PC}^T H_{PP}^{-1} b_P}_B \end{aligned}$$

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L = profile_cholesky_decomp(A)
for i = 1 to n do
  for j = first(i) to i do
    a = Aij -  $\sum_{k=\max(\text{first}(i), \text{first}(j))}^{j-1} L_{ik} L_{jk}$ 
    Lij = (j < i) ? a / Ljj :  $\sqrt{a}$ 

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x = profile_cholesky_forward_subs(A, b)
for i = first(b) to n do
  xi =  $\left( b_i - \sum_{k=\max(\text{first}(i), \text{first}(b))}^{i-1} L_{ik} x_k \right) / L_{ii}$ 

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y = profile_cholesky_back_subs(A, x)
y = x
for i = last(b) to 1 step -1 do
  for k = max(first(i), first(y)) to i do
    yk = yk - yi Lik
  yi = yi / Lii

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Figure 10: A complete implementation of profile Cholesky decomposition.

cholesky:

$_A_ = L * D * L^T$
 $= L * \sqrt{D} * \sqrt{D} * L^T$

let C = L * \sqrt{D}

then $_A_ = C * C^T$

aside: L is invertible if none of its diagonal elements are 0.

for $_A_ = L * L^*$

$(_A_)^{-1} = (L^*) * (L * L^*)^{-1}$

but usually, for A * x = b:

(1) A = L * L*

(2) L * y = b ==> y via forward subst

(3) L* * x = y ==> x via backward subst