

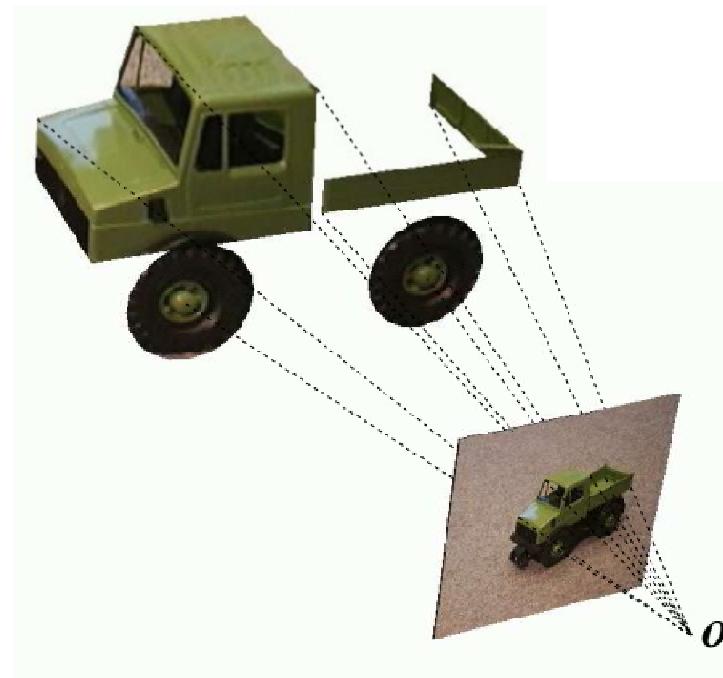
Lecture 06/07- Pose estimation & Absolute orientation

EE382-Visual localization & Perception

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Pose estimation

- Pose estimation has been studied in computer vision since its beginning.
- It is crucial for many vision tasks:
 - Grasping
 - Manipulation
 - Self-localization (SLAM)



Pose estimation

- Pose – The transformation that maps the 3D object model to the sensory data.

$$\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R}|\mathbf{t}]\mathbf{X}$$

Given

- The 3D object model is known.
- The camera is calibrated.
- Corresponding points (2D – 3D)
- All we want to know is \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t}

Pose estimation

- **Algebraic approach:**
 - P3P (Fischer & Bolles. 1981)
 - PnP (Quan & Lan. 1999)
 - EPnP (Lepetit, et al. 2008)
- Positive aspects:
 - Fast
 - No initial guess
- Negative aspects:
 - Prone to noises
 - Numeric instabilities

Pose estimation

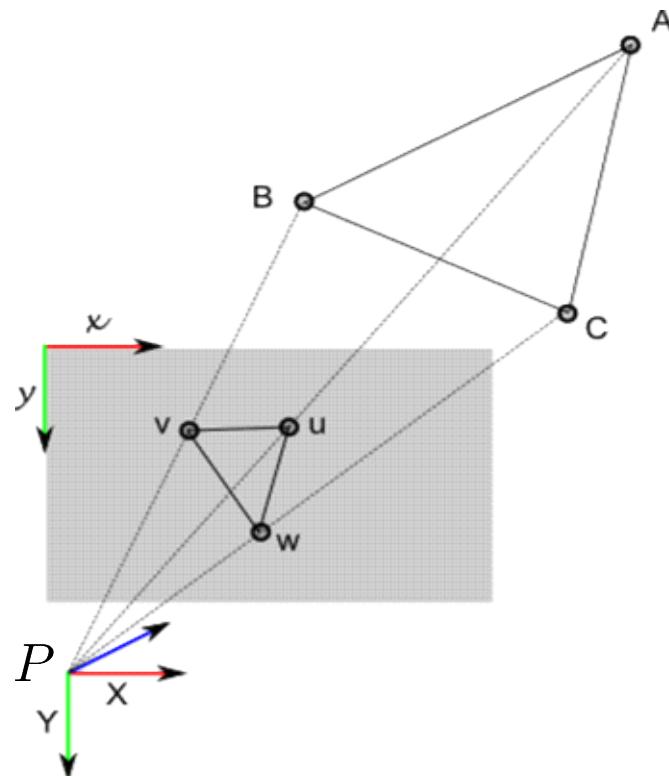
- **Optimization approach**
 - Nonlinear least squared problem
$$\min_{\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t}} \sum_1^n d(\mathbf{K}[\mathbf{R}|\mathbf{t}] \mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{x}_i)^2$$
 - where $d()$ is the distance function.
 - Solved by Levenberg-Marquardt algirthm
- Positive aspects:
 - Numerically stable
- Negative aspects:
 - Need initial guess
 - Sometimes diverge

Pose estimation

- **Hybrid approach**
 - Combine positive aspects of both algebraic algorithms and optimization algorithms:
 - Numerical stability
 - Robust, i.e. noise does not harm much
 - Speed
 - POSIT (DeMenthon & Davis. 1995)

Pose estimation

- P3P algorithm
 - Fischer and Bolles : “Perspective three-point problem”



1. 3D-2D correspondences:

$$A \leftrightarrow u, B \leftrightarrow v, C \leftrightarrow w$$

2. Depths of A, B, C are solved (Law of cosines):

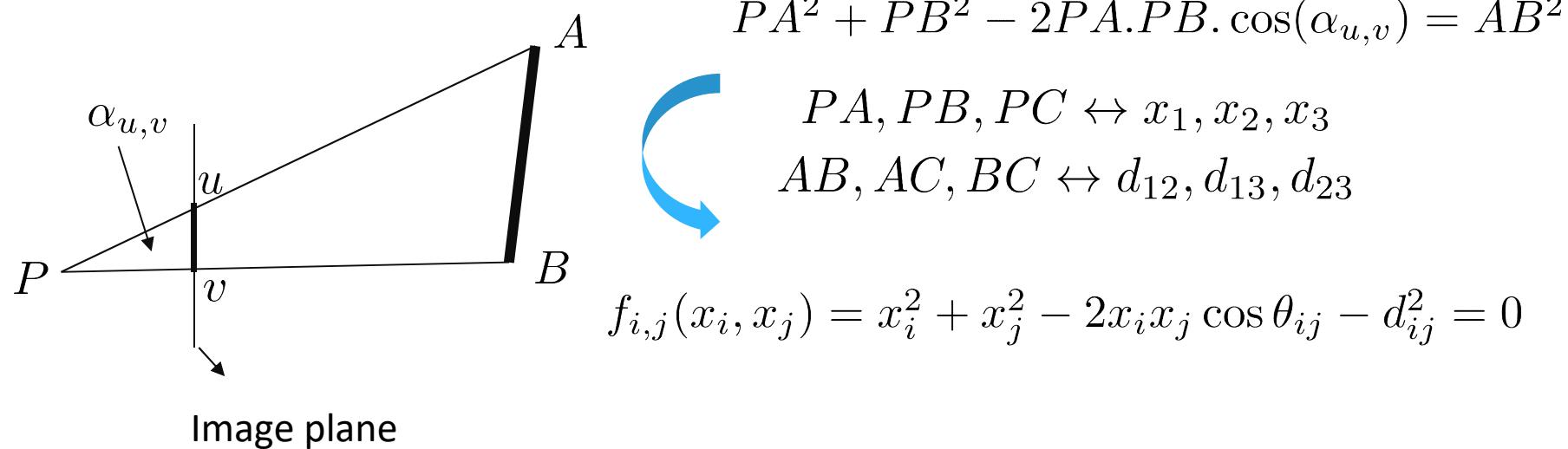
$$PA, PB, PC$$

3. Distances converted into pose configurations

$$\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t}$$

Pose estimation

- Solving the depth - Law of cosines



$$\begin{cases} f_{1,2}(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 2x_1 x_2 \cos \theta_{12} - d_{12}^2 = 0 \\ f_{1,3}(x_1, x_3) = x_1^2 + x_3^2 - 2x_1 x_3 \cos \theta_{13} - d_{13}^2 = 0 \\ f_{2,3}(x_2, x_3) = x_2^2 + x_3^2 - 2x_2 x_3 \cos \theta_{23} - d_{23}^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Pose estimation

- Elimination

$$\begin{cases} f_{1,2}(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 2x_1x_2 \cos \theta_{12} - d_{12}^2 = 0 \\ f_{1,3}(x_1, x_3) = x_1^2 + x_3^2 - 2x_1x_3 \cos \theta_{13} - d_{13}^2 = 0 \\ f_{2,3}(x_2, x_3) = x_2^2 + x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3 \cos \theta_{23} - d_{23}^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{1,2}(x_1, x_2) = 0 \\ f_{1,3}(x_1, x_3) = 0 \\ f_{2,3}(x_2, x_3) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \xrightarrow{x_3} h(x_1, x_2) = 0 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_2 \\ g(x_1) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$



$$x = x_1^2$$

$$g(x) = a_4x^4 + a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0$$

Four possible solutions

Elimination of two polynomials

- Sylvester Resultant (结式) : Given two polynomials

$$f = a_0x^l + \cdots + a_l, \quad a_0 \neq 0$$

$$g = b_0x^m + \cdots + b_m, \quad b_0 \neq 0$$

The Sylvester matrix is defined as :

$$\text{Syl}(f, g, x) = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & b_0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ a_1 & a_0 & \ddots & \vdots & b_1 & b_0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_2 & a_1 & \ddots & 0 & b_2 & b_1 & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & a_0 & \vdots & & \ddots & b_0 \\ & \vdots & & a_1 & & \vdots & & b_1 \\ a_{l-1} & & & & b_{m-1} & & & \\ a_l & a_{l-1} & & \vdots & b_m & b_{m-1} & & \vdots \\ 0 & a_l & \ddots & & 0 & b_m & \ddots & \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & a_{l-1} & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & b_{m-1} \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & a_l & 0 & \cdots & 0 & b_m \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(l+m) \times (l+m)}$$

The Sylvester resultant is computed : $\text{Res}(f, g, x) = \det(\text{Syl}(f, g, x))$

Elimination of two polynomials

- The resultant $\text{Res}(f, g, x)$ is also an integer polynomial in the coefficients of f and g .
- f and g have a common factor if and only if $\text{Res}(f, g, x) = 0$

$$\text{Res}(f, g, x) = \det(Syl(f, g, x)) = 0$$

- If two polynomials have a **common factor**, it means that they have common roots.

Elimination of two polynomials

- Example I:
 - Consider two polynomials

$$f(x) = x^5 - 3x^4 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 + 7x + 6$$

$$g(x) = x^4 + x^2 + 1$$

$$\text{Res}(f, g, x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 & -2 & 3 & 7 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & -2 & 3 & 7 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & -2 & 3 & 7 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & -2 & 3 & 7 & 6 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

*In fact, the common factor of f and g is $x^2 + x + 1$

Elimination of two polynomials

- Example II:
 - Consider the following polynomials

$$f = x^2y - 3xy^2 + x^2 - 3xy$$

$$g = x^3y + x^3 - 4y^2 - 3y + 1$$

- Compute $\text{Res}(f, g, x)$

Elimination of two polynomials

- Compute $\text{Res}(f, g, x)$

$$f = (y + 1)x^2 - 3y(y + 1)x$$

$$g = (y + 1)x^3 + (y + 1)(-4y + 1)$$

$$\text{Syl}(f, g, x) = \begin{bmatrix} (y+1) & -(3y^2 + 3y) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (y+1) & -(3y^2 + 3y) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (y+1) & -(3y^2 + 3y) & 0 \\ (y+1) & 0 & 0 & (-4y^2 - 3y + 1) & 0 \\ 0 & (y+1) & 0 & 0 & (-4y^2 - 3y + 1) \end{bmatrix}^T$$

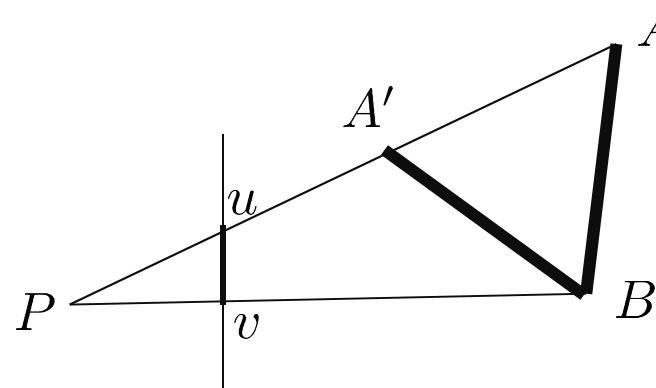
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}(f, g, x) &= \det(\text{Syl}(f, g, x)) \\ &= -(y+1)^5(4y-1)(27y^3 - 4y + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$f(x, y) = 0$ and $g(x, y) = 0$ if and only if

$$(y+1)^5(4y-1)(27y^3 - 4y + 1) = 0$$

Pose estimation

- Depth ambiguity (multiple solutions)



There are **four solutions** in maximum.

One additional point can eliminate the ambiguity!

- Extract four triangles out of the four points, this gives you 16 solutions at maximum, then merge these and you have a pose .
- New problem: Merging results (finding the common root) can be very difficult and expensive.

PnP algorithm

- PnP algorithm (Quan & Lan. 1999):
 - For three points, we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{1,2}(x_1, x_2) = 0 \\ f_{1,3}(x_1, x_3) = 0 \\ f_{2,3}(x_2, x_3) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \rightarrow \quad g(x) = a_4x^4 + a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0 = 0 \quad (x = x_1^2)$$

- If we have four points, we get

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{1,3}(x_1, x_3) = 0 \\ f_{1,4}(x_1, x_4) = 0 \\ f_{3,4}(x_3, x_4) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \rightarrow \quad g'(x) = a'_4x^4 + a'_3x^3 + a'_2x^2 + a'_1x + a'_0 = 0$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{1,2}(x_1, x_2) = 0 \\ f_{1,4}(x_1, x_4) = 0 \\ f_{2,4}(x_2, x_4) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \rightarrow \quad g''(x) = a''_4x^4 + a''_3x^3 + a''_2x^2 + a''_1x + a''_0 = 0$$

PnP algorithm

- Four points lead to three equations:

$$g(x) = a_4x^4 + a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0 = 0$$

$$g'(x) = a'_4x^4 + a'_3x^3 + a'_2x^2 + a'_1x + a'_0 = 0$$

$$g''(x) = a''_4x^4 + a''_3x^3 + a''_2x^2 + a''_1x + a''_0 = 0$$

- Written in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 & a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \\ a'_0 & a'_1 & a'_2 & a'_3 & a'_4 \\ a''_0 & a''_1 & a''_2 & a''_3 & a''_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \\ x^4 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{At} = 0$$

Hey, we see the Homogenous system again!

PnP algorithm

- We try to solve the homogenous system first.

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{t} = 0$$

$$(\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 5}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 1})$$

- SVD to find the two bases of the null space.

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}_{3 \times 5} \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \boxed{0, 0})(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \boxed{\mathbf{v}_4, \mathbf{v}_5})^T$$

$$\mathbf{t} = \lambda \mathbf{v}_4 + \rho \mathbf{v}_5$$

$$t_i t_j = t_k t_l, (i + j = k + l)$$

(i,j,k,l)
(4, 2, 3, 3)
(4, 1, 3, 2)
(4, 0, 3, 1)
(4, 0, 2, 2)
(3, 1, 2, 2)
(3, 0, 2, 2)
(2, 0, 1, 1)

PnP algorithm

- Those constraints form an overdetermined system

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ b'_1 & b'_2 & b'_3 \\ \dots & & \\ b_1^{(7)} & b_2^{(7)} & b_3^{(7)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda^2 \\ \lambda\rho \\ \rho^2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{y} = 0$$

- SVD again to get the solution

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{U}_{7 \times 3} \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3) (\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_3)^T$$

$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{v}_3$

$\lambda/\rho = y_1/y_2$
 $\lambda/\rho = y_2/y_3$

- To get \mathbf{t} and x

$$\mathbf{t} = \lambda\mathbf{v}_4 + \rho\mathbf{v}_5$$

$$x = t_2/t_1 \text{ or } t_3/t_2, \text{ or } t_4/t_3, \text{ or } t_5/t_4$$

$$x_1 = \sqrt{x}$$

Extract the pose

- From the depth value to the extrinsic parameters:

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t}$$

- 3D coordinates from the depth

$${}^C \mathbf{x}_i \leftarrow x_i \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{m}_i$$

$$\Updownarrow \quad \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{t}$$

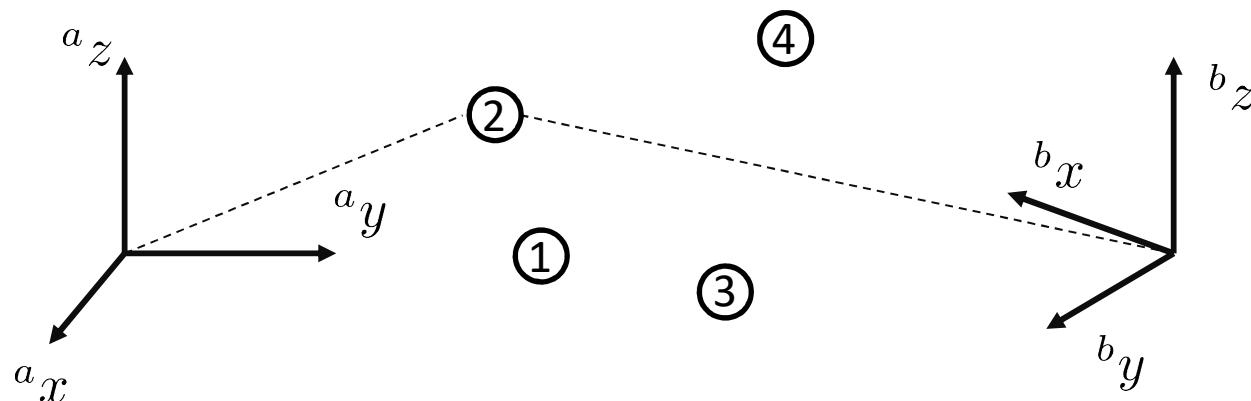
$${}^W \mathbf{x}_i$$

depth \rightarrow camera coordinates \leftrightarrow world coordinates

Absolute orientation

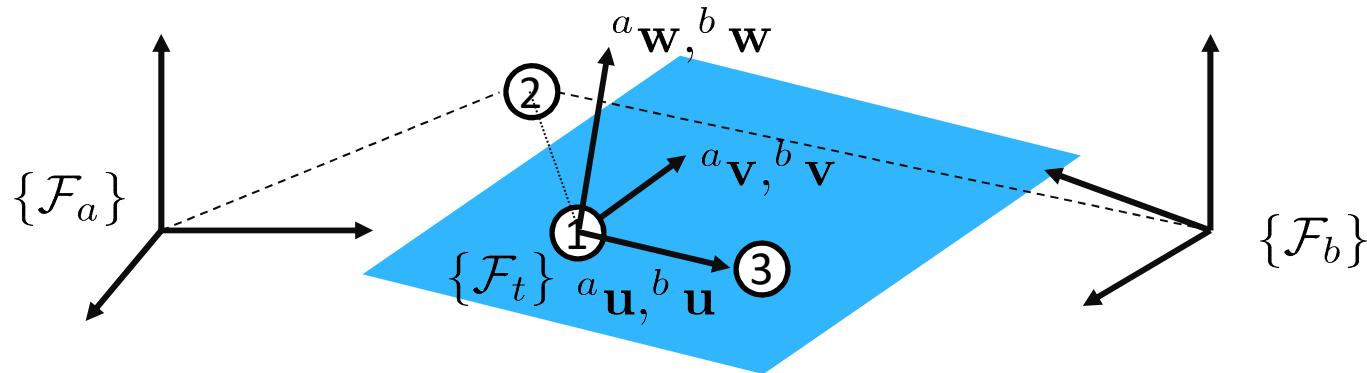
- Given a set of 3D correspondences in different coordinates systems $\{\mathcal{F}_a\}, \{\mathcal{F}_b\} : \{{}^a\mathbf{x}_i\} \leftrightarrow \{{}^b\mathbf{x}_i\}$
- Absolute orientation is to find a rigid transformation that

$${}^a\mathbf{x}_i = {}^a\mathbf{R} \cdot {}^b\mathbf{x}_i + {}^a\mathbf{t}_b$$



Absolute orientation

- Step I – Find orientation (by randomly select three points) ④



$${}^a\mathbf{u} = \frac{({}^a\mathbf{x}_3 - {}^a\mathbf{x}_1)}{\|{}^a\mathbf{x}_3 - {}^a\mathbf{x}_1\|}$$

For a direction vector ${}^a\mathbf{r}$ in $\{{\mathcal F}_a\}$, its direction in $\{{\mathcal F}_t\}$ is given by

$${}^a\mathbf{w} = \frac{({}^a\mathbf{x}_2 - {}^a\mathbf{x}_1)}{\|{}^a\mathbf{x}_2 - {}^a\mathbf{x}_1\|} \times {}^a\mathbf{u}$$

$${}^a\mathbf{v} = {}^a\mathbf{w} \times {}^a\mathbf{u}$$

$${}^t\mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} {}^a\mathbf{u}^T \\ {}^a\mathbf{v}^T \\ {}^a\mathbf{w}^T \end{bmatrix} {}^a\mathbf{r}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} {}^t_a\mathbf{R} &= [{}^a\mathbf{u} | {}^a\mathbf{v} | {}^a\mathbf{w}]^T \\ {}^t_b\mathbf{R} &= [{}^b\mathbf{u} | {}^b\mathbf{v} | {}^b\mathbf{w}]^T \end{aligned} \right\} {}^a\mathbf{R} = ({}^t_a\mathbf{R})^T {}^t_b\mathbf{R}$$

Absolute orientation

- Step II – its trivial to find translation after rotation is found

$$\begin{aligned} {}^a \mathbf{X}_i &= {}^b \mathbf{R} \cdot {}^b \mathbf{X}_i + {}^a \mathbf{t}_b \\ \text{Curved arrow pointing to } {}^a \hat{\mathbf{t}}_b &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_i ({}^a \mathbf{X}_i - {}^b \mathbf{R} \cdot {}^b \mathbf{X}_i) \end{aligned}$$

Absolute orientation

- Is there a better solution for step I:
 - The rotation transform depends on the selection of the triad $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$.
 - Different selection leads to different transformation.
- A better solution is put all the corresponding points into consideration and maximize the correlation :

$$({}^b \mathbf{r})^T ({}^b \mathbf{r}')$$

- where ${}^b \mathbf{r}' = {}_a^b \mathbf{R} {}^a \mathbf{r}$.

About rotation

- Let's recall the matrix representation of rotation

$$\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

- Nine parameters with the following constraints:
 - Orthonormal : $\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$
 - Right hand : $\det \mathbf{R} = 1$
- Number of parameters are much larger than the degree of freedom (3)
- Those constraints are nonlinear, making the problem difficult to solve.

Unit quaternion

- Another elegant approach to represent a rotation transformation is using an **unit quaternion**.
 - **Four** parameters instead of **nine** parameters
 - The orthonormal issue can be easily addressed
 - Is still convenient for coordinate transformation

Quaternion

- What is a quaternion?
 - A quaternion is a vector with four components:
 - A composite of a scalar and three different imaginary parts
- Mathematically,

$$\mathbf{q} = q_w + q_x \mathbf{i} + q_y \mathbf{j} + q_z \mathbf{k}$$



Imaginary part

$$\mathbf{i}^2 = \mathbf{j}^2 = \mathbf{k}^2 = \mathbf{ijk} = -1$$

$$\mathbf{ij} = \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{jk} = \mathbf{i}, \mathbf{ki} = \mathbf{j}$$

Story of quaternion

- A letter Hamilton wrote later to his son Archibald:
 - Every morning in the early part of October 1843, on my coming down to breakfast, your brother William Edward and yourself used to ask me: "**Well, Papa, can you multiply triples?**" Whereto I was always obliged to reply, with a sad shake of the head, "**No, I can only add and subtract them.**"

Here as he walked by on the 16th of October 1843. Sir William Rowan Hamilton in a flash of genius discovered the fundamental formula for quaternion multiplication

$$i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = ijk = -1$$

& cut it on a stone of this bridge.



Quaternion

- General quaternions :

$$\mathbf{q} = q_w + \mathbf{q}_v = \begin{bmatrix} q_w \\ \mathbf{q}_v \end{bmatrix}$$

- Real quaternions :

$$q_w = \begin{bmatrix} q_w \\ \mathbf{0}_v \end{bmatrix}$$

- Pure quaternions (3D vectors):

$$\mathbf{q}_v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbf{q}_v \end{bmatrix}$$

Quaternion

- The sum of two quaternion

$$\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} p_w \\ p_x \\ p_y \\ p_z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} q_w \\ q_x \\ q_y \\ q_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_w + q_w \\ p_x + q_x \\ p_y + q_y \\ p_z + q_z \end{bmatrix}$$

- It is commutative and associative

$$\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{p}$$

$$\mathbf{p} + (\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{r}) = (\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{r}$$

Quaternion

- Product:

$$\mathbf{p} \otimes \mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} p_w q_w - p_x q_x - p_y q_y - p_z q_z \\ p_w q_x + p_x q_w + p_y q_z - p_z q_y \\ p_w q_y - p_x q_z + p_y q_w + p_z q_x \\ p_w q_z + p_x q_y - p_y q_x + p_z q_w \end{bmatrix}$$

- Not commutative: $\mathbf{p} \otimes \mathbf{q} \neq \mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{p}$
- Associative: $(\mathbf{p} \otimes \mathbf{q}) \otimes \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{p} \otimes (\mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{r})$
- Distributive over sum:

$$\mathbf{p} \otimes (\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{p} \otimes \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{p} \otimes \mathbf{r}$$

$$(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}) \otimes \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{p} \otimes \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{r}$$

- Bi-linear

$$\mathbf{q}_1 \otimes \mathbf{q}_2 = [\mathbf{q}_1]_L \mathbf{q}_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{q}_1 \otimes \mathbf{q}_2 = [\mathbf{q}_2]_R \mathbf{q}_1$$

Quaternion

- Left/right quaternion-product

$$[\mathbf{q}]_L = \begin{bmatrix} q_w & -q_x & -q_y & -q_z \\ q_x & q_w & -q_z & q_y \\ q_y & q_z & q_w & -q_x \\ q_z & -q_y & q_x & q_w \end{bmatrix}, \quad [\mathbf{q}]_R = \begin{bmatrix} q_w & -q_x & -q_y & -q_z \\ q_x & q_w & q_z & -q_y \\ q_y & -q_z & q_w & q_x \\ q_z & q_y & -q_x & q_w \end{bmatrix}$$

- Or briefly

$$[\mathbf{q}]_L = q_w \mathbf{I} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\mathbf{q}_v^\top \\ \mathbf{q}_v & [\mathbf{q}_v]_\times \end{bmatrix}, \quad [\mathbf{q}]_R = q_w \mathbf{I} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\mathbf{q}_v^\top \\ \mathbf{q}_v & -[\mathbf{q}_v]_\times \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\mathbf{q}_v = [q_x, q_y, q_z]^T$

$$[\mathbf{a}]_\times \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a_z & a_y \\ a_z & 0 & -a_x \\ -a_y & a_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\mathbf{a}]_\times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}, \quad \forall \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

Quaternion

- Identity : $\mathbf{q}_1 = 1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \mathbf{0}_v \end{bmatrix}$
- Conjugate : $\mathbf{q}^* = \begin{bmatrix} q_w \\ -\mathbf{q}_v \end{bmatrix} \quad (\mathbf{p} \otimes \mathbf{q})^* = \mathbf{q}^* \otimes \mathbf{p}^*$
- Norm : $\|\mathbf{q}\| \triangleq \sqrt{\mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{q}^*} = \sqrt{\mathbf{q}^* \otimes \mathbf{q}} = \sqrt{q_w^2 + q_x^2 + q_y^2 + q_z^2} \in \mathbb{R}$
- Inverse : $\mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{q}^{-1} = \mathbf{q}^{-1} \otimes \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{q}_1$

$$\mathbf{q}^{-1} = \mathbf{q}^* / \|\mathbf{q}\|^2$$
- Dot product :
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{q} &= p_w q_w + p_x q_x + p_y q_y + p_z q_z \\ &= \mathbf{p} \otimes \mathbf{q}^* \text{ or} \\ &= \mathbf{p}^* \otimes \mathbf{q} \end{aligned}$$

Quaternion

- Quaternion multiplication matrix is orthogonal :

$$[\mathbf{q}]_L [\mathbf{q}]_L^T = \mathbf{I}_{4 \times 4} \quad [\mathbf{p}]_R [\mathbf{p}]_R^T = \mathbf{I}_{4 \times 4}$$

- Dot product is preserved :

$$\mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{t} = ([\mathbf{q}]_L \mathbf{r})^T ([\mathbf{q}]_L \mathbf{r}) = (\mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{r})^T (\mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{t})$$

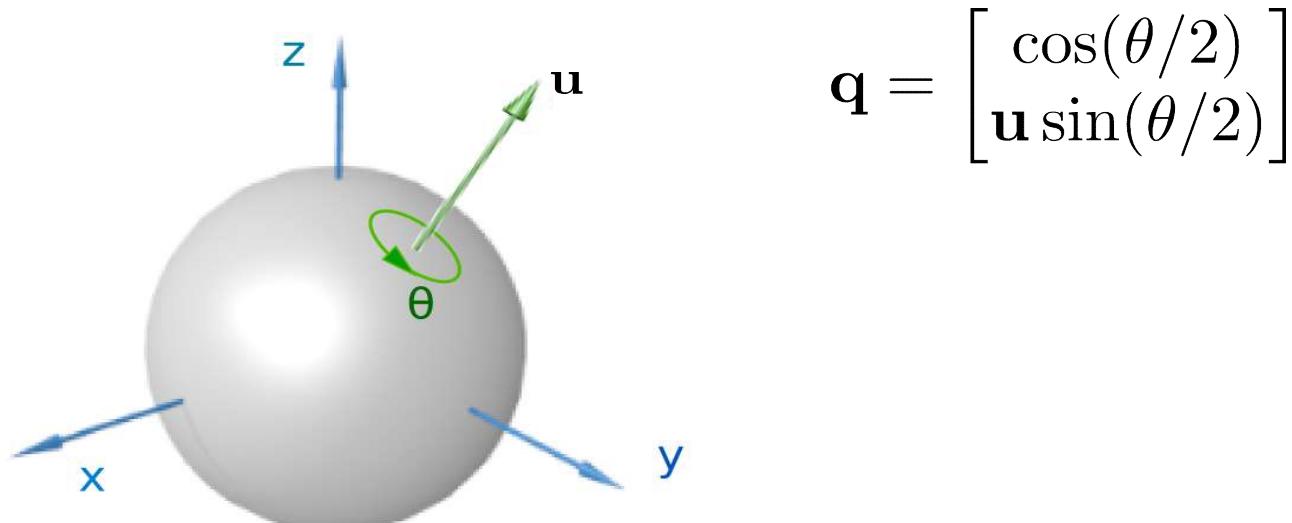
$$\mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{t} = ([\mathbf{q}]_R \mathbf{r})^T ([\mathbf{q}]_R \mathbf{r}) = (\mathbf{r} \otimes \mathbf{q})^T (\mathbf{t} \otimes \mathbf{q})$$

Unit quaternion

- For unit quaternion, we have

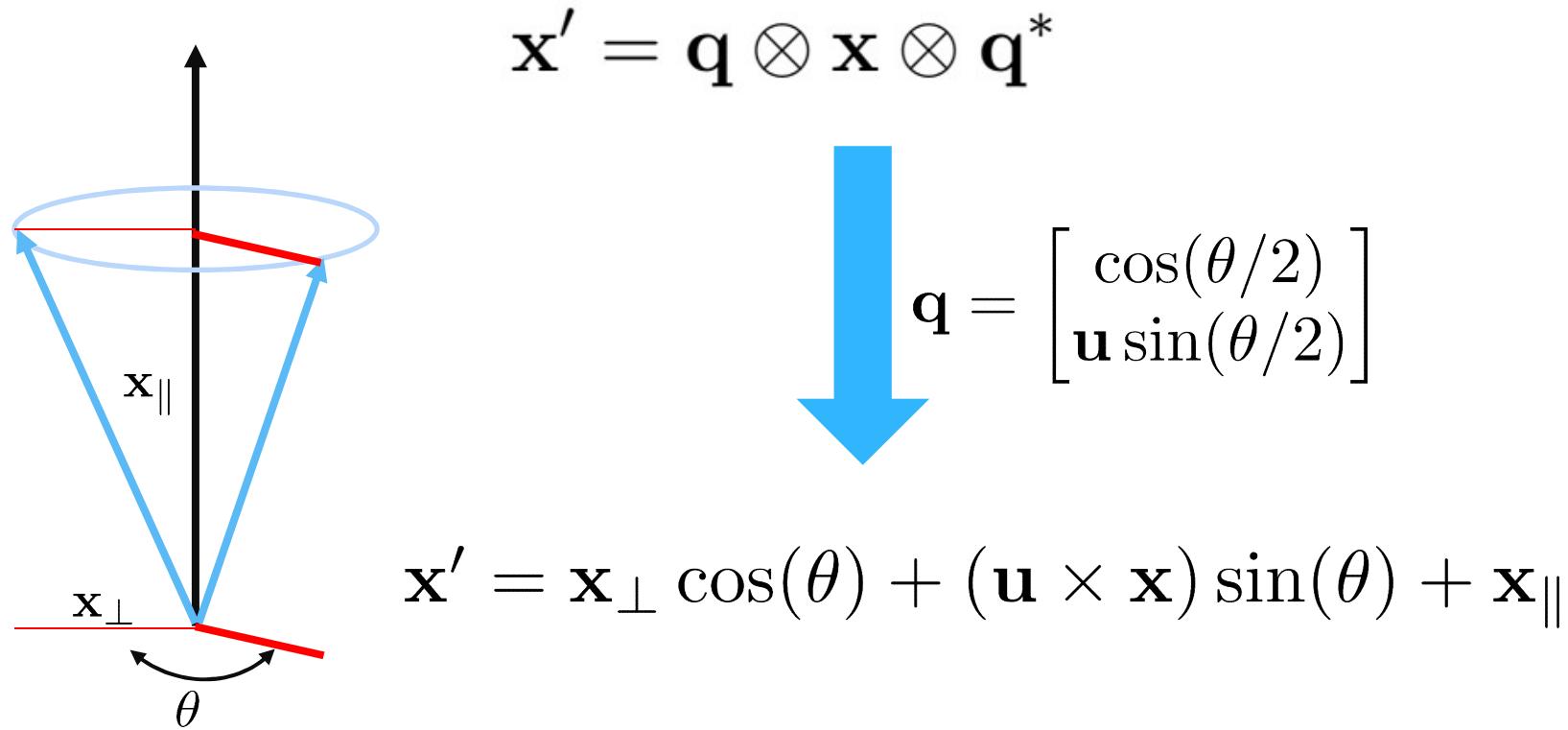
$$\|\mathbf{q}\| = 1 \text{ and } \mathbf{q}^{-1} = \mathbf{q}^*$$

- It can always be written in the form:



Unit quaternion

- Transformation of a vector



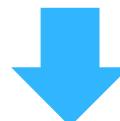
Unit quaternion

- Convert a unit quaternion to a rotation matrix

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{x} \otimes \mathbf{q}^*$$



$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{x}$$



$$\mathbf{R}\{\mathbf{q}\} = (q_w^2 - \mathbf{q}_v^\top \mathbf{q}_v) \mathbf{I} + 2 \mathbf{q}_v \mathbf{q}_v^\top + 2 q_w [\mathbf{q}_v]_\times$$

Unit quaternion

	Rotation matrix, \mathbf{R}	Quaternion, \mathbf{q}
Parameters	$3 \times 3 = 9$	$1 + 3 = 4$
Degrees of freedom	3	3
Constraints	6	1
Constraints	$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}^\top = \mathbf{I}$, $\det(\mathbf{R}) = +1$	$\mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{q}^* = 1$
Identity	\mathbf{I}	1
Inverse	\mathbf{R}^\top	\mathbf{q}^*
Composition	$\mathbf{R}_1 \mathbf{R}_2$	$\mathbf{q}_1 \otimes \mathbf{q}_2$
Rotation operator	$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I} + \sin \phi [\mathbf{u}]_\times + (1 - \cos \phi) [\mathbf{u}]_\times^2$	$\mathbf{q} = \cos \phi/2 + \mathbf{u} \sin \phi/2$
Rotation action	$\mathbf{R} \mathbf{x}$	$\mathbf{q} \otimes \mathbf{x} \otimes \mathbf{q}^*$

Absolute Orientation

- Find best quaternion using all the correspondences
- We want to find the unit quaternion that **maximizes**

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_i (^b\mathbf{r}_i)^T (^b\mathbf{r}_i) \\
 &= \sum_i (^b\mathbf{r}_i)^T (\mathbf{q} \otimes ^b\mathbf{r}_i \otimes \mathbf{q}^*) \quad \text{blue curved arrow from here to } \mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{t} = (\mathbf{r} \otimes \mathbf{q})^T (\mathbf{t} \otimes \mathbf{q}) \\
 &= \sum_i (^b\mathbf{r}_i \otimes \mathbf{q})^T (\mathbf{q} \otimes ^b\mathbf{r}_i) \quad \text{blue curved arrow from here to } \mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{t} = (\mathbf{r} \otimes \mathbf{q})^T (\mathbf{t} \otimes \mathbf{q}) \\
 &= \sum_i ([^b\mathbf{r}_i]_L \mathbf{q})^T ([^b\mathbf{r}_i]_R \mathbf{q}) \\
 &= \sum_i \mathbf{q}^T ([^b\mathbf{r}_i]_L [^b\mathbf{r}_i]_R) \mathbf{q} = \boxed{\mathbf{q}^T \mathbf{N} \mathbf{q}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Absolute Orientation

- The solution is the eigen vector with the maximum eigen value of \mathbf{N} .
- Algorithm of absolute orientation:
 - Step 1: Compute directions of the points in each coordinate system:

$$\begin{cases} {}^a \mathbf{r}_i = {}^a \mathbf{x}_i - {}^a \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i \\ {}^b \mathbf{r}_i = {}^b \mathbf{x}_i - {}^b \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i \end{cases}$$

- Step 2: Construct the matrix \mathbf{N} and solve the quaternion by finding the maximum eigen value.
- Step 3: get the translation vector

Summary

- **P3P & PnP:**
 - Use law of cosine to get the depth of the three points by solving a system of polynomial equations.
 - **Resultant** can be used to solve the polynomial equations
 - PnP solve the depth of each point with unique solution
- Absolute orientation
 - Unit quaternion can be used to represent a rotation
 - AO is used to obtain the rigid transformation between two coordinate systems where the 3D points are defined.