

6.1 2D Feature-Based Alignment





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YORK **Global Parametric Spatial Transformations**

- We assume a set of matched 2D points in two images of the same object or scene. *
- How can we determine the global parametric spatial transformation *f* that relates them? *



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Least Squares



If *f* in fact captures the true relationship between the matched points aside from additive Gaussian iid noise, then the maximum likelihood solution is to minimize the sum of squared residuals:

$$E_{\rm LS} = \sum_{i} \|\boldsymbol{r}_{i}\|^{2} = \sum_{i} \|\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i};\boldsymbol{p}) - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}'\|^{2},$$

where

$$oldsymbol{r}_i = oldsymbol{f}(oldsymbol{x}_i;oldsymbol{p}) - oldsymbol{x}_i' = \hat{oldsymbol{x}}_i' - ilde{oldsymbol{x}}_i'$$

Linear Transformations



$$\Delta \boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{x}' - \boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x})\boldsymbol{p},$$

where

$$J(x) = \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial p} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x'}{\partial p_1} & \frac{\partial x'}{\partial p_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial x'}{\partial p_n} \\ \frac{\partial y'}{\partial p_1} & \frac{\partial y'}{\partial p_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial y'}{\partial p_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Transform	Matrix	Parameters p	Jacobian J
translation	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \end{array}\right]$	(t_x, t_y)	$\left[\begin{array}{rrr}1&0\\0&1\end{array}\right]$
Euclidean	$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} c_{\theta} & -s_{\theta} & t_x \\ s_{\theta} & c_{\theta} & t_y \end{array}\right]$	(t_x, t_y, θ)	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 0 & -s_{\theta}x - c_{\theta}y \\ 0 & 1 & c_{\theta}x - s_{\theta}y \end{array}\right]$
similarity	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr} 1+a & -b & t_x \\ b & 1+a & t_y \end{array}\right]$	(t_x, t_y, a, b)	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr}1&0&x&-y\\0&1&y&x\end{array}\right]$
affine	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr} 1+a_{00} & a_{01} & t_x \\ a_{10} & 1+a_{11} & t_y \end{array}\right]$	$(t_x, t_y, a_{00}, a_{01}, a_{10}, a_{11})$	$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
\sim Operate on augmented vector $\overline{\mathbf{r}}$			

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Operate on augmented vector x





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Linear Regression Framework

$$E_{\text{LLS}} = \sum_{i} \|\boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i})\boldsymbol{p} - \Delta \boldsymbol{x}_{i}\|^{2}$$

$$= \boldsymbol{p}^{T} \left[\sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \right] \boldsymbol{p} - 2\boldsymbol{p}^{T} \left[\sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \Delta \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \right] + \sum_{i} \|\Delta \boldsymbol{x}_{i}\|^{2}$$

$$= \boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{p} - 2\boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{b} + c.$$

 \diamond To minimize, we set the derivative with respect to the parameters p to 0, yielding

$$Ap = b$$
,

where

$$oldsymbol{A} = \sum_i oldsymbol{J}^T(oldsymbol{x}_i)oldsymbol{J}(oldsymbol{x}_i)$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{b} = \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \Delta \boldsymbol{x}_{i}$$

Linear Regression Framework

Ap = b,

where

$$\boldsymbol{A} = \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \qquad \boldsymbol{b} = \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \Delta \boldsymbol{x}_{i}$$



• A is symmetric.

• A is non-negative definite

Consider a non-zero parameter vector *p*.

Note that each term $p^{\top}A_i p$ of $p^{\top}Ap$ is non-negative: $p^{\top}A_i p = p^{\top}J^{\top}(x_i)J(x_i)p = ||J(x_i)p||^2$

• Is *A* positive definite?

 $p^{\top}Ap > 0$ as long as at least one term $p^{\top}A_{i}p \neq 0 \leftrightarrow J(x_{i})p \neq 0$.

Thus A is positive definite as long as $J(x_i)$ has full rank for at least one point x_i .

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Rank of the Jacobian



A is positive definite as long as $J(x_i)$ has full rank for at least one point x_i .

$$\boldsymbol{J}(x_i) = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}_i)}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x'_i}{\partial p_1} & \frac{\partial x'_i}{\partial p_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial x'_i}{\partial p_n} \\ \frac{\partial y'_i}{\partial p_1} & \frac{\partial y'_i}{\partial p_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial y'_i}{\partial p_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

In other words, the influence of the parameters p_i on the point x_i must be linearly independent.

- This will generally be true if:
 - The parameters p_j are selected to control different aspects of the transformation
 - A diversity of points x_i are included

Linear Regression Framework: Solution

Ap = b,

where

$$\boldsymbol{A} = \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \qquad \boldsymbol{b} = \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \Delta \boldsymbol{x}_{i}$$

♦ A is symmetric and positive definite.

Under these conditions, the best approach is usually Cholesky decomposition:

 $A = LL^{\top}$

where L is lower triangular with positive diagonal entries.

- ~twice as fast as LU decomposition
- $O(n^3)$ to compute *L*, where *n* is the size of *A*.

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- ✤ First solve for *y* using forward substitution.
- Then solve for p using backward substitution.
- O(n), where *n* is the size of *A*.

Linear Regression Framework: MATLAB

Ap = b

MATLAB mldivide: $p = A \setminus b$

mldivide is very smart

• It tests whether A is symmetric and positive definite.

• If it is, it uses a Cholesky solver.











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Non-Linear Alignment Problems

- Often the displacement is not in fact linear in the parameters.
- Example: Rigid 2D transformation (translation + rotation):
 - Note that the Jacobian is itself a function of the rotation parameter θ





Iterative Alignment



- Non-linear alignment problems can be solved iteratively.
- Suppose that we start with a guess at the parameters p.
- We can now formulate an estimate of the error that would result if we took a step Δp from this initial guess:

$$E_{\text{NLS}}(\Delta \boldsymbol{p}) = \sum_{i} \|\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i};\boldsymbol{p} + \Delta \boldsymbol{p}) - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}'\|^{2}$$

$$\approx \sum_{i} \|\boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i};\boldsymbol{p})\Delta \boldsymbol{p} - \boldsymbol{r}_{i}\|^{2} \text{ where } \boldsymbol{r}_{i} \triangleq \boldsymbol{x}_{i}' - \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i};\boldsymbol{p})$$

$$= \Delta \boldsymbol{p}^{T} \left[\sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T} \boldsymbol{J}\right] \Delta \boldsymbol{p} - 2\Delta \boldsymbol{p}^{T} \left[\sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{T} \boldsymbol{r}_{i}\right] + \sum_{i} \|\boldsymbol{r}_{i}\|^{2}$$

$$= \Delta \boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{A} \Delta \boldsymbol{p} - 2\Delta \boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{b} + c,$$

where again

$$oldsymbol{A} = \sum_i oldsymbol{J}^T(oldsymbol{x}_i) oldsymbol{J}(oldsymbol{x}_i) oldsymbol{b} = \sum_i oldsymbol{J}^T(oldsymbol{x}_i) oldsymbol{r}_i$$

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Iterative Alignment - The Gauss-Newton Method

$$E_{\text{NLS}}(\Delta \boldsymbol{p}) = \Delta \boldsymbol{p}^T \boldsymbol{A} \Delta \boldsymbol{p} - 2\Delta \boldsymbol{p}^T \boldsymbol{b} + c, \qquad \boldsymbol{A} = \sum_i \boldsymbol{J}^T(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \qquad \boldsymbol{b} = \sum_i \boldsymbol{J}^T(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \boldsymbol{r}_i$$

• Taking a first derivative with respect to Δp and setting it to zero, we obtain $A\Delta p = b$

- This can again be solved by Cholesky decomposition (MATLAB \).
- This is called the Gauss-Newton method.
- But since our linear approximation only applies locally, this Δp may step past the minimum and is thus not guaranteed to lower the error.
- Solution 1. reduce the step size

 $\boldsymbol{p} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{p} + \alpha \Delta \boldsymbol{p}, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1$

$$E_{\text{NLS}}(\Delta \boldsymbol{p}) = \Delta \boldsymbol{p}^T \boldsymbol{A} \Delta \boldsymbol{p} - 2\Delta \boldsymbol{p}^T \boldsymbol{b} + c, \qquad \boldsymbol{A} = \sum_i \boldsymbol{J}^T(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \qquad \boldsymbol{b} = \sum_i \boldsymbol{J}^T(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \boldsymbol{r}_i$$

- Solution 2. Levenberg-Marquardt (damped Gauss-Newton)
 - Add a diagonal damping term:

 $(\boldsymbol{A} + \lambda \boldsymbol{I}) \Delta \boldsymbol{p} = b$

- L-M can be seen as a mixture of Gauss-Newton and gradient descent.
- λ adjusted according to how fast error is decreasing
 - Slow: still far from minimum increase λ (upweight gradient descent)
 - + Fast: getting close to minimum reduce λ (upweight Gauss-Newton)

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Solution 2. Levenberg-Marquardt (damped Gauss-Newton) $(A + \lambda I) \Delta p = b$

Consider the gradient descent term:

$$\Delta \boldsymbol{p} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{\top} (\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \boldsymbol{r}_{i}$$



- * This will shift the parameters in the direction that reduces the residual r_i .
- But the size of the shift depends on the magnitude of the gradient and the residual:
 - A larger residual r_i will result in a larger shift in the parameters p.
 - A larger gradient ||J|| will result in a larger shift in the parameters p.
- ✤ This is not necessarily what we want.

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Gradient descent term:

$$\Delta \boldsymbol{p} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{J}^{\top} (\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) \boldsymbol{r}_{i}$$

Consider a simple transformation of the *x* coordinate with only one parameter *p*:

$$\Delta p = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i} \frac{dx_i}{dp} \Delta x$$

We wish to select a value for λ that we predict will close the gap Δx :

$$\lambda \propto \sum_{i} \frac{dx_i \Delta x}{dp \Delta p} \cong \sum_{i} \left(\frac{dx_i}{dp}\right)^2$$



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Generalizing to multiple dimensions:

$$\lambda \propto \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{A}) = \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial p_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial p_1}\right)^2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial p_2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial p_2}\right)^2 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \cdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial p_n}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial p_n}\right)^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_{\text{NLS}}(\Delta \boldsymbol{p}) = \Delta \boldsymbol{p}^T \boldsymbol{A} \Delta \boldsymbol{p} - 2\Delta \boldsymbol{p}^T \boldsymbol{b} + c, \qquad \boldsymbol{A} = \sum_i \boldsymbol{J}^T(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \qquad \boldsymbol{b} = \sum_i \boldsymbol{J}^T(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \boldsymbol{r}_i$$

★ This reasoning led Marquardt to replace the identity matrix with diag(A): $(A + \lambda I) \Delta p = b \quad (A + \lambda \text{diag}(A)) \Delta p = b$

The diag(A) term serves to scale the gradient descent step appropriately given the observed residual.

MATLAB: options.Algorithm = 'levenberg-marquardt'; p = lsqnonlin(fun,p0,[],[],options);



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Example 1: Rigid 2D Transformation



Initial guess - use linear similarity transform

 $\begin{bmatrix} 1+a & -b & t_x \\ b & 1+a & t_y \end{bmatrix} (t_x, t_y, a, b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & x & -y \\ 0 & 1 & y & x \end{bmatrix}$

• and now set $\theta = \arctan \frac{b}{1+a}$

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Example 2. Projective 2D Transformation **YORK**

- Consider two images taken of the same planar scene, but from different vantages
- ♦ A 3x4 camera projection matrix relates the image points to the scene points for each of the images.



Example 2. Projective 2D Transformation $\hat{x}_{s} = K \begin{bmatrix} R & | t \end{bmatrix} p_w = Pp_w$

- For convenience, we can align the 3D world coordinate frame with the scene plane, so that Z = 0 for all scene points.
- Under these conditions, projection to the image can be modelled by a 3 x 3 matrix \tilde{H} known as a homography:

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \tilde{\boldsymbol{H}} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This means that the transformation of points between the two images is also a homography.

In particular, if \tilde{H}_1 and \tilde{H}_2 model projection of the scene plane to Image 1 and 2, then $\tilde{H}_{21} = \tilde{H}_2 \tilde{H}_1^{-1}$ models projection from Image 1 to Image 2.



Example 2. Projective 2D Transformation $\tilde{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} = \tilde{H} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Since this homography is a 3 x 3 matrix relating 2D image points in homogenous coordinates, it has 8 degrees of freedom.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1+h_{00} & h_{01} & h_{02} \\ h_{10} & 1+h_{11} & h_{12} \\ h_{20} & h_{21} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

♦ While linear in projective space, this transformation is nonlinear in Euclidean space.

$$x' = \frac{(1+h_{00})x + h_{01}y + h_{02}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + 1} \text{ and } y' = \frac{h_{10}x + (1+h_{11})y + h_{12}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + 1}$$

The Jacobian is

where
$$D = h_{20}x + h_{21}y + 1$$

Plane in world **PLANE** Camera plane 1 T_1 T_2 Camera plane 2 $T_3 = T_2 T_1^{-1}$ Optical center 1 Optical center 2

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Example 2. Projective 2D Transformation

$$x' = \frac{(1+h_{00})x + h_{01}y + h_{02}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + 1} \text{ and } y' = \frac{h_{10}x + (1+h_{11})y + h_{12}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + 1}.$$

• If we multiply through by the denominators we get a pair of equations that are linear in the parameters h_{ij} :

- If we have 4 pairs of matched points, a unique solution for the h is defined.
 - MATLAB \ will use LU solver
- If we have > 4 pairs of matched points, will generally be no exact solution, but we can find the *h* minimizing ||*Ah b*|| using the Moore-Penrose pseudo-inverse:
 h = *A*[†]*b* where *A*[†] = (*A*^T*A*)⁻¹*A*^T MATLAB function lsqminnorm
- This is called the Direct Linear Transform (DLT) method.
- This solution does not minimize the squared error $E_{\text{NLS}}(\Delta p) = \sum_{i} ||f(x_i; p + \Delta p) x'_i||^2$
- But it can be used to generate an initial guess at the parameters $p = \{h_{ij}\}$.

Example 2. Projective 2D Transformation

Given this initial guess, we can now solve for the homography iteratively as we did for the 2D rigid transformation, using Levenberg-Marquardt:

$$(A + \lambda \operatorname{diag}(A)) \Delta p = b \quad \text{where} \quad A = \sum_{i} J^{T}(x_{i}) J(x_{i}) \quad \text{and} \quad b = \sum_{i} J^{T}(x_{i}) r_{i}$$

$$J = \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} = \frac{1}{D} \begin{bmatrix} x & y & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -x'x & -x'y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x & y & 1 & -y'x & -y'y \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where } D = h_{20}x + h_{21}y + 1$$
Plane in world
Plane in
Camera
plane 1
$$T_{1} \quad T_{2}$$
Camera
plane 2
$$T_{3} = T_{2}T_{1}^{-1}$$
Optical
center 1
$$C_{1} \quad C_{1}$$





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