

Reconstruction/Triangulation Old book Ch11.1 F&P New book Ch7.2 F&P

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Triangulate on two images of the same point to recover depth.

- Feature matching across views
- Calibrated cameras



Only need to match features across epipolar lines



Reconstruction from Rectified Images



Disparity: d=u'-u



Depth: z = -Bf/d

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Measured points do not lie on corresponding epipolar lines

1. Vector solution



Compute the mid-point of the shortest line between the two rays

P is midpoint of the segment perpendicular to P_1 and $R^T P_r$ Let $w = P_1 x R^T P_r$ (this is perpendicular to both)



Introducing three unknown scale factors a,b,c we note we can write down the equation of a "circuit"

Source: Collins, CSE486 Penn State

Solution from Trucco & Verri Book

Writing vector "circuit diagram" with unknowns a,b,c

 $a P_1 + c (P_1 X R^T P_r) - b R^T P_r = T$



note: this is three linear equations in three unknowns a,b,c => can solve for a,b,c

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After finding a,b,c , solve for midpoint of line segment between points $O_1 + a P_1$ and $O_1 + T + b R^T P_r$



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2. Linear triangulation (algebraic solution)

Use the equations $\mathbf{x} = P\mathbf{X}$ and $\mathbf{x}' = P'\mathbf{X}$ to solve for \mathbf{X}

For the first camera:

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} \ p_{12} \ p_{13} \ p_{14} \\ p_{21} \ p_{22} \ p_{23} \ p_{24} \\ p_{31} \ p_{32} \ p_{33} \ p_{34} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}^{1\top} \\ \mathbf{p}^{2\top} \\ \mathbf{p}^{3\top} \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\mathbf{p}^{i\top}$ are the rows of P

• eliminate unknown scale in $\lambda x = PX$ by forming a cross product $x \times (PX) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} x(\mathbf{p}^{3\top}\mathbf{X}) &- (\mathbf{p}^{1\top}\mathbf{X}) = 0\\ y(\mathbf{p}^{3\top}\mathbf{X}) &- (\mathbf{p}^{2\top}\mathbf{X}) = 0\\ x(\mathbf{p}^{2\top}\mathbf{X}) &- y(\mathbf{p}^{1\top}\mathbf{X}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

• rearrange as (first two equations only)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x\mathbf{p}^{3\top} - \mathbf{p}^{1\top} \\ y\mathbf{p}^{3\top} - \mathbf{p}^{2\top} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

Similarly for the second camera:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x'\mathbf{p}^{\prime3\top} - \mathbf{p}^{\prime1\top} \\ y'\mathbf{p}^{\prime3\top} - \mathbf{p}^{\prime2\top} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

Collecting together gives

$$AX = 0$$

where A is the 4×4 matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} x\mathbf{p}^{3\top} - \mathbf{p}^{1\top} \\ y\mathbf{p}^{3\top} - \mathbf{p}^{2\top} \\ x'\mathbf{p}'^{3\top} - \mathbf{p}'^{1\top} \\ y'\mathbf{p}'^{3\top} - \mathbf{p}'^{2\top} \end{bmatrix}$$

from which ${\bf X}$ can be solved up to scale.

Problem: does not minimize anything meaningful

Advantage: extends to more than two views

3. Minimizing a geometric/statistical error

The idea is to estimate a 3D point \widehat{x} which exactly satisfies the supplied camera geometry, so it projects as

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{P}\hat{\mathbf{X}} \qquad \hat{\mathbf{x}}' = \mathbf{P}'\hat{\mathbf{X}}$$

and the aim is to estimate $\widehat{\mathbf{X}}$ from the image measurements \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{x}' .



where d(*, *) is the Euclidean distance between the points.

• It can be shown that if the measurement noise is Gaussian mean zero, $\sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, then minimizing geometric error is the Maximum Likelihood Estimate of X

• The minimization appears to be over three parameters (the position X), but the problem can be reduced to a minimization over one parameter

Different formulation of the problem

The minimization problem may be formulated differently:

• Minimize

$$d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{l})^2 + d(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{l}')^2$$

- l and l' range over all choices of corresponding epipolar lines.
- $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ is the closest point on the line l to \mathbf{x} .
- Same for $\hat{\mathbf{x}}'$.





Minimization method

- Parametrize the pencil of epipolar lines in the first image by t, such that the epipolar line is $\mathbf{l}(t)$
- Using F compute the corresponding epipolar line in the second image $\mathbf{l}^{\prime}(t)$
- Express the distance function $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{l})^2 + d(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{l}')^2$ explicitly as a function of *t*
- Find the value of t that minimizes the distance function
- Solution is a 6^{th} degree polynomial in t







More slides for self-study.



Triangulation (finally!) L_2 \mathbf{X}_1 Х \mathbf{C}_1 \mathbf{L}_1 Triangulation - calibration \mathbf{X}_2 - correspondences \mathbb{C}_2^{δ}



Triangulation

• Backprojection

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





Triangulation

Backprojection

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda x \\ \lambda y \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \\ P_3 \end{bmatrix} X$$





 $\int L_2$

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 $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda x \\ \lambda y \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \\ P_3 \end{bmatrix} X$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{P_{3}\tilde{X}} \begin{pmatrix} P_{3}x - P_{1} \\ P_{3}y - P_{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ \frac{1}{P'_{3}\tilde{X}} \begin{pmatrix} P'_{3}x - P'_{1} \\ P'_{3}y - P'_{2} \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix} X =$$

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Iterative leastsquares



Triangulation

Backprojection

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 - $\begin{bmatrix} P_{3}x P_{1} \\ P_{3}y P_{2} \\ P_{3}'x' P_{1}' \\ P_{2}'y' P_{2}' \end{bmatrix} X = 0 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{P_{3}\tilde{X}} \begin{pmatrix} P_{3}x P_{1} \\ P_{3}y P_{2} \\ \frac{1}{P_{3}'\tilde{X}} \begin{pmatrix} P_{3}y P_{2} \\ P_{3}y P_{2} \\ P_{3}'y P_{2}' \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix} X = 0$
- **Iterative least-**Maximum Likelihood Triangulation $\arg\min_{\mathbf{X}}\sum_{i}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}-\lambda^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{i}\mathbf{X}\right)^{2}$



Optimal 3D point in epipolar plane

• Given an epipolar plane, find best 3D point for





Optimal 3D point in epipolar plane



Select closest points (m_1, m_2) on epipolar lines Obtain 3D point through exact triangulation Guarantees minimal reprojection error (given this epipolar plane)



Non-iterative optimal solution

- Reconstruct matches in projective frame by minimizing the reprojection error $D(\mathbf{m}_1, \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{M})^2 + D(\mathbf{m}_2, \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{M})^2$ **3DOF**

$$D(\mathbf{m}_1, \mathbf{I}_1(\alpha))^2 + D(\mathbf{m}_2, \mathbf{I}_2(\alpha))^2$$
 (polynomial of degree 6)

Reconstruct optimal point from selected epipolar plane Note: only works for two views





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$$\mathbf{\Pi} = \mathbf{P}^{\top} \mathbf{1}$$



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Useful presentation for deriving and understanding multiple view geometry (notice 3D planes are linear in 2D point coordinates)

































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 $R' = \begin{bmatrix} R_1'^T \\ R_2'^T \\ R_3'^T \end{bmatrix}$



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 $p = f \frac{P}{Z}$



$p' = f' \frac{P'}{Z'}$	$\begin{bmatrix} R_1^{\prime T} \end{bmatrix}$
$P' = R^T (P - t) = R' (P - t)$	$R' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ R'_2^T \end{bmatrix}$
$p' = f' \frac{R'(P-t)}{{R'_3}^T (P-t)}$	$\left\lfloor R_{3}^{\prime T} \right\rfloor$
$x' = f' \frac{R_1'^T (P - t)}{{R_3'}^T (P - t)} - \dots$	— Equation 1

$$p = f \frac{P}{Z} \implies P = \frac{pZ}{f}$$











- Assume that intrinsic parameters of both cameras are known
- Essential Matrix is known up to a scale factor (for example,

estimated from the 8 point algorithm).





Reconstruction up to a Scale $k[t_{x}]R$

 $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{E}^{T} = k^{2} [t_{\star}] R R^{T} [t_{\star}]^{T}$



Reconstruction up to a Scale Factor $[t_{\times}]_{R}$

 $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{E}^{T} = k^{2} [t_{\times}] R R^{T} [t_{\times}]^{T} = k^{2} [t_{\times}] [t_{\times}]^{T}$

$\begin{bmatrix} k \\ k \end{bmatrix} R = k^{2} \begin{bmatrix} t_{x} \end{bmatrix} R R^{T} \begin{bmatrix} t_{x} \end{bmatrix}^{T} = k^{2} \begin{bmatrix} t_{x} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t_{x} \end{bmatrix}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} k^{2} (T_{Y}^{2} + T_{Z}^{2}) & -k^{2} T_{X} T_{Y} & -k^{2} T_{X} T_{Z} \\ -k^{2} T_{X} T_{Y} & k^{2} (T_{X}^{2} + T_{Z}^{2}) & -k^{2} T_{Y} T_{Z} \\ -k^{2} T_{X} T_{Z} & -k^{2} T_{Y} T_{Z} & k^{2} (T_{X}^{2} + T_{Y}^{2}) \end{bmatrix}$

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Trace $[\mathcal{E}\mathcal{E}^{T}] = 2k^{2}(T_{X}^{2} + T_{Y}^{2} + T_{Z}^{2}) = 2k^{2}||t||^{2}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \textbf{R} \\ \textbf{E} \\ \textbf$$

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$$\frac{\mathcal{E}}{\left\|k\right\|\left\|t\right\|} = \operatorname{sgn}\left(k\right)\frac{\left[t_{\times}\right]}{\left\|t\right\|}R = \operatorname{sgn}\left(k\right)\left[\left(\frac{t}{\left\|t\right\|}\right)_{\times}\right]R$$

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$$\hat{E} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{E}_1^T \\ \hat{E}_2^T \\ \hat{E}_3^T \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad R = \begin{bmatrix} R_1^T \\ R_2^T \\ R_3^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Let
$$w_i = \hat{E}_i \times \hat{t}, i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$$

It can be proved that

$$R_1 = w_1 + w_2 \times w_3$$
$$R_2 = w_2 + w_3 \times w_1$$
$$R_3 = w_3 + w_1 \times w_2$$



We have two choices of **t**, (**t**⁺ and **t**⁻) because of sign ambiguity and two choices of **E**, (E⁺ and E⁻).

This gives us four pairs of translation vectors and rotation matrices.



Reconstruction up to a Scale Factor \hat{E} and \hat{f}

1. Construct the vectors w, and compute R

- 2. Reconstruct the Z and Z' for each point
- 3. If the signs of Z and Z' of the reconstructed points are
 - a) both negative for some point, change the sign of \hat{t} and go to step 2.
 - b) different for some point, change the sign of each entry of \hat{E} and go to step 1.
 - c) both positive for all points, exit.

$$Z = f \frac{(x'R'_3 - f'R'_1)^T t}{(x'R'_3 - f'R'_1)^T p}$$

$$Z' = -f' \frac{(xR_3 - fR_1)^T(t)}{(xR_3 - fR_1)^T p'}$$



[Trucco pp. 161]

- Three cases:
 - a) intrinsic and extrinsic parameters known: Solve reconstruction by triangulation: ray intersection
 - b) only intrinsic parameters known: estimate essential matrix E up to scaling
 - c) intrinsic and extrinsic parameters not known: estimate fundamental matrix F, reconstruction up to global, projective transformation



Run Example

Demo for stereo reconstruction:

http://mitpress.mit.edu/e-journals/Videre/001/articles/Zhang/CalibEnv/CalibEnv.html