

TSBB09 Image Sensors, Projective Geometry, Lecture 4A

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Literature: Parts of ...
"Introduction to Representations and Estimation in Geometry",
by Klas Nordberg



A vector space

- A vector space V consists of a set of vectors
 - Two vectors can be added
 - A vector can be multiplied by a scalar
 - Both operations result again in a vector in V
- The dimension of V =
maximal number of vectors which are linear independent
- Typically: there exists one or another basis
- Orthogonality between two vectors defined if we have a scalar product
- Linear mappings are well-defined



A projective space

- A projective space can be defined from V in terms of equivalence classes:
 - Two vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are **equivalent** if there exists a non-zero scalar λ such that $\mathbf{u} = \lambda \mathbf{v}$
 $\Rightarrow \mathbf{u}$ and \mathbf{v} must be non-zero vectors
 - All vectors which are equivalent correspond to an element of the projective space (a projective element)
 - Projective equivalence is denoted $\mathbf{u} \sim \mathbf{v}$
- The projective space is (often) denoted $\mathbb{P}(V)$



Projective representation

- The n -dimensional vector space \mathbb{R}^n can be given a projective representation by the projective space $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$

$$\bar{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$



is represented by the
projective element
corresponding to



$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$



Homogeneous coordinates

- The vector \mathbf{v} is called the *homogeneous coordinates* of $\bar{\mathbf{v}}$
- The projective representation of \mathbb{R}^n is not unique
 - The extra dimension can be inserted at arbitrary position
 - The constant value can be arbitrary (but fix and non-zero)
 - The “one-last” representation is the most common in the literature



Example

$$\bar{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

All these vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 represent the same projective element



Normalization

- Given a non-zero vector $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ we can scale it so that the last element = 1
This is denoted *normalization*
- The other elements in the normalized homogeneous vector are the vector in \mathbb{R}^n that \mathbf{u} represents
- This makes it possible to know which vector in \mathbb{R}^n a specific projective element in $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ represents



2D Coordinate transformations

- A 2D point \mathbf{y} is transformed to \mathbf{y}' such that the corresponding Cartesian 2D coordinates are related as

$$\begin{pmatrix} y'_1 \\ y'_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Referred to as an **affine transformation**
Includes translation, scaling, rotation, skewing

An **affine transformation**
transforms parallel lines to parallel lines.



Coordinate transformations

- Translation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} y'_1 \\ y'_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Rotation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} y'_1 \\ y'_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}$$



Coordinate transformations

- In homogeneous coordinates this is

$$\mathbf{y}' = \begin{pmatrix} y'_1 \\ y'_2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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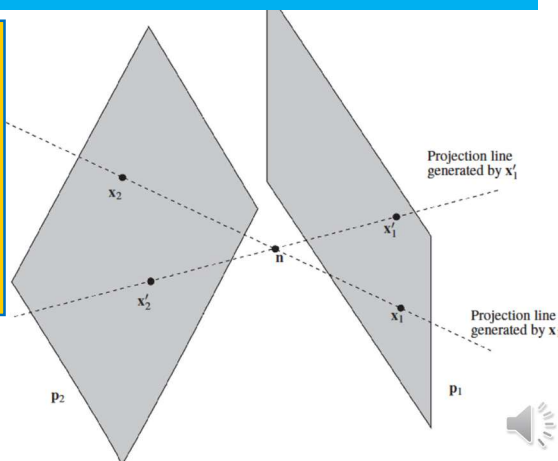


2D Homography mapping

A 2D homography maps the points \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}'_1 in the plane \mathbf{p}_1 to points \mathbf{x}_2 and \mathbf{x}'_2 by projecting each point through the point \mathbf{n} and finding the intersection of the projection line with the plane \mathbf{p}_2 .

3 x 3 matrix

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_1$$



Homography

- Geometrically, we define a homography as a mapping between two 2D planes in the 3D space \mathbb{R}^3 , by projecting through a fixed point \mathbf{n} .
- We assume that \mathbf{n} is not included in any of the two planes $\Rightarrow \mathbf{H}$ is always invertible.
- Since the matrix \mathbf{H} has 9 elements but scalar multiplication does not matter, a homography has 8 degrees of freedom. Consequently, in the case of a 2D homography transformation we need at least 4 points, before and after the transformation, to determine which homography it is.



Homography

- Describes e.g. how a pinhole-camera maps points on a plane to the image plane.
- A homography maps a line to a line.
- Parallel lines are in general **not** transformed to parallel lines.

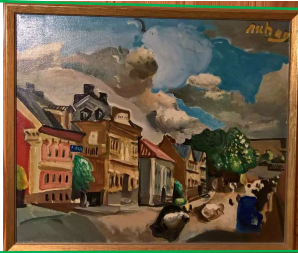


Photo of a painting of Växjö (my hometown). Parallel lines along the frame in the painting are not parallel in the photo.

