Calibration Overview

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- Data from multiple complementary sensors leads to increased accuracy and robustness
- Sensors need to be spatially and temporally calibrated
- Calibration helps transform measurements from different sensors into a common reference frame



Source: Arun Das



- Camera intrinsic and extrinsic
- IMU to Camera
- Lidar to GPS
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Camera Intrinsics





Source: Robert Collins,

-CSE486





- (a) Extrinsic Transformation (Rotation + Translation)
 - Transforms points from World to Camera coordinate Frame
 - Homogeneous coordinates allow for easy matrix multiplication

(b),(c) Perspective Projection

X Y V Z W

Perspective Projection Eqns

$$x = f \frac{X}{Z}$$

$$y = f \frac{Y}{Z}$$
derived via similar
triangles rule
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f/s_x & 0 & o_x & 0 \\ 0 & f/s_y & o_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u = \frac{x'}{z'}$$

$$v = \frac{y'}{z'}$$
Camera Coordinates
$$V = \frac{y'}{z'}$$
Projective Projection Eqns
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Image Formation | Distortions



No distortion



Barrel distortion





Pincushion



Radial Distortion

Source: Scaramuzza



Camera Calibration using a 2D Checkerboard

Known size (30 mm) and structure (6 x 9)

Identify corners easily.

Distorted

Where do I set my world coordinate frame ?



Corrected





Can set the world coordinate system to one corner of the checkerboard

All points lie in the X,Y plane with Z=0





Projection |





Homography |







Homography Solution |

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \\ h_4 & h_5 & h_6 \\ h_7 & h_8 & h_9 \end{pmatrix} -h_1 x - h_2 y - h_3 + (h_7 x + h_8 y + h_9) u = 0$$





$$\mathbf{r}_1^T \mathbf{r}_2 = 0, \quad ||r_1|| = ||r_2|| = 1$$

$$\mathbf{h}_1^T \mathbf{K}^{-T} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{h}_2 = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{h}_{1}^{T}\mathbf{K}^{-T}\mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{h}_{1} = \mathbf{h}_{2}^{T}\mathbf{K}^{-T}\mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{h}_{2}$$



 $\mathbf{B} := \mathbf{K}^{-T}\mathbf{K}^{-1}$

Find B , recover K through the Cholesky decomposition chol (B) = AA^{T}

 $A = K^{-T}$ $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{12} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{12} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{12} & b_{22} & b_{23} \end{pmatrix}$ $\mathbf{b} = (b_{11}, b_{12}, b_{13}, b_{22}, b_{23}, b_{33})$



Construct a system of linear Equations Vb = 0

V =
$$[v_{12}^{T} \quad v_{11}^{T} - v_{22}^{T}]^{T}$$
 ... 2x6 matrix for 1 image

Where

$$v_{ij} = [h_{1i}h_{1j}, h_{1i}h_{2j} + h_{2i}h_{1j}, h_{3i}h_{1j} + h_{1i}h_{3j}, h_{2i}h_{2j}, h_{3i}h_{2j} + h_{2i}h_{3j}, h_{3i}h_{3j}]$$

For n images

 $V = 2n \times 6$ matrix



Each plane gives us two equations Since B has 6 degrees of freedom, we need at least 3 different views of a plane



We need at least 4 points per plane



Real measurements are corrupted with noise

Find a solution that minimizes the least-squares error

$$b = \arg \min_{b} \mathbf{Vb}$$



Lens distortion

Non-linear effects:

- Radial distortion
- Tangential distortion
- Compute corrected image point:

(1)
$$\begin{array}{c} x' = x/z \\ y' = y/z \end{array}$$

(2) $\begin{aligned} x'' &= x'(1+k_1r^2+k_2r^4)+2p_1x'y'+p_2(r^2+2x'^2) \\ y'' &= y'(1+k_1r^2+k_2r^4)+p_1(r^2+2y'^2)+2p_2x'y' \end{aligned}$

where $r^2 = x'^2 + y'^2$ k_1, k_2 : radial distortion coefficients

 p_1, p_2 : tangential distortion coefficients

(3)
$$\begin{aligned} u &= f_x \cdot x'' + c_x \\ v &= f_y \cdot y'' + c_y \end{aligned}$$





Lens distortion can be calculated by minimizing a non-linear function

$$\min_{(\mathbf{K},\kappa,\mathbf{R}_i,\mathbf{t}_i)}\sum_{i}\sum_{j}\|\mathbf{x}_{ij}-\widehat{x}(\mathbf{K},\kappa,\mathbf{R}_i,\mathbf{t}_i;\mathbf{X}_{ij})\|^2$$

Estimation of κ using non-linear optimization techniques (e.g. Levenberg-Marquardt) The parameters obtained by the linear function are used as starting values



Intrinsic Parameters |

Before calibration:



After calibration:







How do I calibrate a camera ? |

- 1) Print a target checkerboard (Several available online)
- 2) Note dimensions of target, size of square
- 3) Take multiple images by moving target to different locations on the image
- 4) Calibrate using OpenCV, Matlab
- 5) Reprojection error below 0.2 is good

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image_width: 900
image_height: 600
camera_name: narrow_stereo
camera_matrix:
    rows: 3
    cols: 3

data: [657.603916, 0.000000, 449.430625,
        0.000000, 657.439333, 326.379426,
        b.000000, 0.000000, 1.000000]

distortion_coefficients:
    rows: 1
    cols: 5
    data: [-0.210857, 0.077466, -0.000022, -0.000545, 0.000000]
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Ximea camera: 5.3 µm / pix Edmund Optic lens: 3.5 mm

Focal length in pixel = $3.5 / (5.3 \times 10^{-3}) = 660.37$

Question: What is the problem with this sort of calibration ?





Camera Extrinsics



Extrinsic Calibration | Stereo Vision



Rotation and Translation





Advantages of Stereo Vision |





Stereo Vision:

- 1) Recover Depth
- 2) Limit the search space in the second image for point correspondence



PnP Algorithm |

Given:

- Known 3D points in world frame (Checkerboard Points)
- 2) Pixel Locations on image plane
- 3) Intrinsic parameters of Camera

Estimate:

Transformation from world to camera





Extrinsic Calibration |

- Given 3D points in world frame P^w and corresponding 2D pixel locations in both cameras z_s and z_m
- 2) Estimate Transformations from world to both cameras using PnP algorithm T^{s:w} and T^{m:w}
- 3) Transform 3D points from world to F_s camera. $P^s = T^{s:w} P^w$
- 4) Transform 3D points from camera F_s to camera F_m via Extrinsic transformation.
 P^m = T^{m:s} P^s
- 5) Project points onto F_{m} camera. $\mathbf{z}'_{m} = \mathbf{x}(P^{m})$

Reprojection Error:

$$\sum_{\text{images}} \sum_{\text{points}} d(\mathbf{z'_m}, \mathbf{z_m})^2 + d(\mathbf{z'_s}, \mathbf{z_s})^2$$





- 1) Print a target checkerboard (Several available online)
- 2) Note dimensions of target, size of square
- 3) Take multiple images in both cameras at same time by moving target to different locations on the image
- 4) Calibrate using OpenCV, Matlab
- 5) Reprojection error below 0.4 is good









End of Calibration I









Where does this calibration differ from the extrinsic camera calibration ? What sort of target should be used ?







Lidar response problems |







Lidar Camera Calibration |

- Given 3D points in world frame P^w and corresponding 2D pixel locations z_c in the camera
- 2) Estimate Transformations from world to the camera using PnP algorithm T^{c.w}.
- 3) Input initial transformation from lidar to camera (approximate). T^{c:l}
- 4) Transform 3D points from Lidar F_1 to camera F_w via Extrinsic transformation. $P^w = inv(T^{c:w})T^{c:l}P^l$
- 5) Determine which points **P**^I lie on target within some threshold.
- 6) Project points on plane
- 7) Fit 'generated' point cloud to detected point cloud and get end-points.
- 8) Determine end points of target on image

Reprojection Error: $\sum_{\text{images}} \sum_{\text{points}} d((T^{C:I}(\mathbf{P}^{I})), \mathbf{z}_{c})^{2}$







Before Calibration

After Calibration





Alternative methods |



a) Martin Velas et.al Calibration of RGB Camera With Velodyne LiDAR





- b) Gaurav Pandey et.al Automatic Extrinsic Calibration of Vision and Lidar by Maximizing Mutual Information
- c) Jesse Levinson et.al Automatic Online Calibration of Cameras and Lasers













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Hand-Eye Calibration |





- T_{VM} : Marker to Vicon Motion Tracking
- T_{MC} : Camera to Marker
- T_{VF} : Fiducial Target to Vicon
- T_{FC} : Camera to Fiducial Target

$$C = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Lambda(i)$$

$$\Lambda(i) = (T_{VM}\hat{T}_{MC}) \boxminus (\hat{T}_{VF}T_{FC})$$





- Calibration with motion capture system and fiducial target similar to Lidar (SLAM) and GPS
- Planar motion leads to observability issues (Z, roll pitch)
- Need to find area that allows for sufficient excitation (car motion).





IMU to Camera Calibration |





World



Quantities Estimated:

- Gravity direction expressed in World Frame
- Transformation between Camera and IMU
- Offset between Camera time and IMU time
- Pose of IMU
- Accelerometer and gyroscope biases

Assumptions Made:

- Camera Intrinsics are known
- IMU noise and bias models are known
- Have a guess for gravity in world frame
- Have a guess for the calibration matrix
- Geometry of calibration pattern is known
- Data association between image point and world point known





Questions |





- Time varying states are represented as weighted sum of a finite number of known basis functions. phi(t) assumed to be known
- y_j is a measurement that arrived with timestamp t_j. h(.) is a measurement model that produces a predicted measurement from x(.) and d is unknown time offset
- The analytical Jacobian of the error term, needed for nonlinear least squares is derived by linearizing about a nominal value d, with respect to small changes in d.

$$\mathbf{\Phi}(t) := \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\phi}_1(t) & \dots & \boldsymbol{\phi}_B(t) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}(t) := \mathbf{\Phi}(t)\mathbf{c},$$

$$\mathbf{e}_j := \mathbf{y}_j - \mathbf{h} \big(\mathbf{x}(t_j + d) \big),$$

$$\mathbf{e}_j \approx \mathbf{y}_j - \mathbf{h} \left(\mathbf{\Phi}(t_j + \bar{d}) \mathbf{c} \right) - \mathbf{H} \dot{\mathbf{\Phi}}(t_j + \bar{d}) \mathbf{c} \Delta d,$$



Accelerometer measurement, gyroscope measurement (at time k) pixel location (time t+d), h(.) projection model, n is noise. J is number of images

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k &:= \mathbf{C} \left(\boldsymbol{\varphi}(t_k) \right)^T \left(\mathbf{a}(t_k) - \mathbf{g}_w \right) + \mathbf{b}_a(t_k) + \mathbf{n}_{a_k}, \\ \boldsymbol{\varpi}_k &:= \mathbf{C} \left(\boldsymbol{\varphi}(t_k) \right)^T \boldsymbol{\omega}(t_k) + \mathbf{b}_\omega(t_k) + \mathbf{n}_{\omega_k}, \\ \mathbf{y}_{mj} &:= \mathbf{h} \left(\mathbf{T}_{c,i} \mathbf{T}_{w,i}(t_j + d)^{-1} \mathbf{p}_w^m \right) + \mathbf{n}_{y_{mj}}, \end{split}$$

IMU biases

$$\dot{\mathbf{b}}_{a}(t) = \mathbf{w}_{a}(t) \qquad \mathbf{w}_{a}(t) \sim \mathcal{GP}\left(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{Q}_{a}\delta(t-t')\right)$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{b}}_{\omega}(t) = \mathbf{w}_{\omega}(t) \qquad \mathbf{w}_{\omega}(t) \sim \mathcal{GP}\left(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{Q}_{\omega}\delta(t-t')\right)$$

Error terms are associated with the measurements constructed as the difference between the measurement and the predicted measurement for current state estimate

$\mathbf{e}_{y_{mi}} := \mathbf{y}_{mi} - \mathbf{h} \left(\mathbf{T}_{c,i} \mathbf{T}_{w,i} (t_i + d)^{-1} \mathbf{p}_w^m \right)$ $J_y := \frac{1}{2} \sum^J \sum^M \mathbf{e}_{y_{mj}}^T \mathbf{R}_{y_{mj}}^{-1} \mathbf{e}_{y_{mj}}$ $\mathbf{e}_{\alpha_k} := \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k - \mathbf{C} \left(\boldsymbol{\varphi}(t_k) \right)^T \left(\mathbf{a}(t_k) - \mathbf{g}_w \right) + \mathbf{b}_a(t_k)$ $J_{\alpha} := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \mathbf{e}_{\alpha_k}^T \mathbf{R}_{\alpha_k}^{-1} \mathbf{e}_{\alpha_k}$ $\mathbf{e}_{\omega_k} := \boldsymbol{\varpi}_k - \mathbf{C} \left(\boldsymbol{\varphi}(t_k) \right)^T \boldsymbol{\omega}(t_k) + \mathbf{b}_{\omega}(t_k)$ $J_{\omega} := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \mathbf{e}_{\omega_k}^T \mathbf{R}_{\omega_k}^{-1} \mathbf{e}_{\omega_k}$ $\mathbf{e}_{b_a}(t) := \dot{\mathbf{b}}_a(t)$ $J_{b_a} := \frac{1}{2} \int_{t}^{t_K} \mathbf{e}_{b_a}(\tau)^T \mathbf{Q}_a^{-1} \mathbf{e}_{b_a}(\tau) \, d\tau$ $\mathbf{e}_{b\omega}(t) := \dot{\mathbf{b}}_{\omega}(t)$ $J_{b_{\omega}} := \frac{1}{2} \int_{t}^{t_{K}} \mathbf{e}_{b_{\omega}}(\tau)^{T} \mathbf{Q}_{\omega}^{-1} \mathbf{e}_{b_{\omega}}(\tau) \, d\tau$

