Recap: Geometry of image formation

The pinhole camera



Let's get into the math

Putting everything together

 Change coordinate system so that center of the coordinate system is at pinhole and Z axis is along viewing direction

$$\mathbf{x}'_w = R\mathbf{x}_w + \mathbf{t}$$

Perspective projection

$$\mathbf{x}'_{w} \equiv (X, Y, Z) \qquad \qquad x = \frac{X}{Z}$$
$$\mathbf{x}'_{img} \equiv (x, y) \qquad \qquad y = \frac{Y}{Z}$$

Can projection be represented as a matrix multiplication?

Matrix multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ p & q & r \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} aX + bY + cZ \\ pX + qY + rZ \end{bmatrix}$$

Perspective projection

$$x = \frac{X}{Z}$$
$$y = \frac{Y}{Z}$$

Projective space and homogenous coordinates

• Mapping \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{P}^2 (Cartesian to homogenous coordinates):

$$(x,y) \rightarrow (x,y,1)$$

• Mapping \mathbb{P}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 (homogenous to cartesian):

$$(x, y, z) \to (\frac{x}{z}, \frac{y}{z})$$

• A change of coordinates

Homogenous coordinates

- In standard Euclidean coordinates
 - 2D points : (x,y)
 - 3D points : (x,y,z)
- In homogenous coordinates
 - 2D points : (x,y,1)
 - 3D points : (x,y,z,1)

Why homogenous coordinates?



Homogenous coordinates

 $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & t_x \\ d & e & f & t_y \\ g & h & i & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} aX + bY + cZ + t_x \\ dX + eY + fZ + t_y \\ gX + hY + iZ + t_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

 $\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{M} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_w \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{M}\mathbf{x}_w + \mathbf{t} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Perspective projection in homogenous coordinates

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}_{img} = \begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}}_w$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}_{img} = \begin{bmatrix} R & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}}_w$$

Matrix transformations in 2D

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}_{img} \equiv K \begin{bmatrix} R & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}}_w$$



Final perspective projection

Camera extrinsics: where your camera is relative to the world. Changes if you move the camera

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}_{img} \equiv \mathbf{K} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}}_w$$

Camera intrinsics:
how your camera
handles pixel.
Changes if you
change your camera

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}_{img} \equiv P\vec{\mathbf{x}}_w$$

Final perspective projection

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}_{img} \equiv K \begin{bmatrix} R & \mathbf{t} \end{bmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{x}}_w$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}_{img} \equiv P \vec{\mathbf{x}}_w$$

Image Formation - Color

The pinhole camera



The pinhole camera



- A pixel is some kind of sensor that measures incident energy
- But what exactly does it measure?

Sensing light

- Consider a sensor placed in a single beam of light.
- How much energy/time does it get?
 - Not enough information



Factor 1: Area

- Larger sensors capture more power
 - Power = LA?
 - L: measure of beam brightness (*radiance*)
 - Radiance is power per unit area?



Factor 2: Orientation

- Slanted sensors receive less light
 - Power = $LA \cos \theta$
 - L = Radiance = Power per unit *projected* area



Multiple beams



- Power must be sum of power from each beam
 - Power = $L_1 A \cos \theta_1 + L_2 A \cos \theta_2$
 - + θ_1 and θ_2 are dependent on beam direction
 - Similarly L_1 and L_2
- General case: Light comes from all directions
 - Must integrate infinitesimal contributions from all directions

A hemisphere of directions

- In 2D, direction = angle
- Infinitesimal set of directions = infinitesimal angle
- Integrate over all directions = integrate over angle
- 3D?



A hemisphere of directions

- In 3D direction = *solid angle*
- Definition:
 - 2D: angle = arc length / radius
 - 3D: solid angle = *area* / *radius*²





Multiple beams

- Integrate incident energy from all directions
- Power = $\int L(\Omega) A \cos \theta(\Omega) d\Omega$
- Radiance = L = Power in a particular direction per unit projected area per unit solid angle

Integrating over area

- What if sensor is not flat?
 - Orientation depends on location
- What if parts of the sensor receive less light?
 - L depends on location
- Divide sensor into infinitesimal elements and integrate
 - Power = $\int \int L(x, \Omega) \cos \theta(x, \Omega) \, dA d\Omega$

Radiance

- Power = $\int \int L(x, \Omega) \cos \theta(x, \Omega) dA d\Omega$
- $L(x, \Omega)$ is the **Radiance**
 - **Power** at point x
 - in direction $\boldsymbol{\Omega}$
 - per unit projected area
 - per unit solid angle

What do pixels measure?

- A pixel measures total power incident on it
- Power = $\int \int L(x, \Omega) \cos \theta(x, \Omega) dA d\Omega$
- But only a very narrow range of directions!



What do pixels measure?

- A pixel measures total power incident on it
- Power = $LA \cos \theta$?
- Close to the center, Power proportional to L



Radiance

• Pixels measure *radiance*



Where do the rays come from?

- Rays from the light source "reflect" off a surface and reach camera
- Reflection: Surface absorbs light energy and radiates it back





- I : Incoming light direction (only one direction)
- **O** : Outgoing light direction (viewing direction)
- N : Surface normal
- *L_i*: Incoming light radiance
- *L*_o: Outgoing light radiance



- Consider a surface patch of unit area
- How much power does it receive?

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$$E_i = L_i \cos \theta_i$$

- Some fraction of this will be emitted
- Fraction might depend on I, O $L_o = \rho(I, O)E_i$ $= \rho(I, O)L_i \cos \theta_i$



Incoming energy
(Irradiance)
$$L_o = \rho(I, O) L_i \cos \theta_i$$

BRDF: Bidirectional
reflectance distribution
function

Note does not capture phenomena like sub-surface scattering





$$L_o = \rho(I, O) L_i \cos \theta_i$$

- Special case 1: Specular surfaces
 - All light reflected in a single direction
 - $\rho(I, O) = 0$ unless $\theta_i = \theta_r$





$$L_o = \rho(I, O) L_i \cos \theta_i$$

- Special case 2: Matte surfaces
 - Light reflected equally in all directions
 - $\rho(I, O) = \rho$ (constant)
 - ρ is **albedo** : amount of paint
 - These are also called
 Lambertian surfaces

- $L_o = \rho L_i \cos \theta_i$
- Outgoing radiance does not depend on viewing direction
- Given same light, pixel looks the same from all views
- Frequent assumption in computer vision

Intrinsic image decomposition

- Consider a lambertian scene lit with directional light
- Image pixel (x,y) corresponds to point in scene with
 - albedo $\rho(x, y)$
 - surface normal making angle $\theta_i(x, y)$ with light direction
- Pixel color:

$$I(x,y) = \rho(x,y) L_i \cos \theta_i(x,y)$$

Image "Reflectance" "Shading"
Image

Intrinsic image decomposition

- Consider a lambertian scene lit with directional light
- Pixel color:



- Reflectance image depends only on object paint
- Shading image depends only on light and object shape (normals)

Integrating over incoming light

General case

$$L_o = \int \rho(I, O) L_i(I) \cos \theta_i(I) \, d\Omega$$

• Lambertian case

$$L_o = \rho \int L_i(I) \cos \theta_i(I) \, d\Omega$$

Extension to color

• General case

$$L_o(\lambda) = \int \rho(I, O, \lambda) L_i(I, \lambda) \cos \theta_i(I) \, d\Omega$$

• Lambertian case

$$L_o(\lambda) = \rho(\lambda) \int L_i(I,\lambda) \cos \theta_i(I) d\Omega$$

Intrinsic image decomposition





Far



Slide credit: Jon Barron

Other lighting effects



How to create an image

- Create objects
 - Pick shape
 - Pick material
 - Is it Lambertian?
 - Pick albedo
- Place objects in coordinate system
- Place lights
- Place camera
- Take image

Photometric stereo

Till now: 3D structure from multiple cameras

- Problems:
 - requires calibrated cameras
 - requires correspondence
- Other cues to 3D structure?





Key Idea: use feature motion to understand shape

What does 3D structure mean?

• We have been talking about the depth of a pixel



What does 3D structure mean?

• But we can also look at the orientation of the surface at each pixel: *surface normal*



Not enough by itself to reveal absolute locations, but gives enough of a clue to object shape

Shading is a cue to surface orientation



Facing away from the sun, hence dark – "shadow"

Facing orthogonal to the sun, hence dark

Facing the sun, hence bright



• For a lambertian surface:

 $L_r = \rho L_i \cos \theta_i$

$$\Rightarrow L_r = \rho L_i \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N}$$

- **L** is direction to light source (= Ω_i)
- L_i is intensity of light
- ρ is called *albedo*
 - Think of this as paint
 - High albedo: white colored surface
 - Low albedo: black surface
 - Varies from point to point









- Assume the light is directional: all rays from light source are parallel
 - Equivalent to a light source infinitely far away
- All pixels get light from the same direction L and of the same intensity L_i



Reconstructing Lambertian surfaces

$$I(x,y) = \rho(x,y)L_i\mathbf{L}\cdot\mathbf{N}(x,y)$$

- Equation is a constraint on albedo and normals
- Can we solve for albedo and normals?

Recovery from multiple images

 $I(x,y) = \rho(x,y)L_i \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{N}(x,y)$

- Represents an equation in the albedo and normals
- Multiple images give constraints on albedo and normals
- Solve for albedo and normals
- Called *Photometric Stereo*



Image credit: Wikipedia

Reconstruction with active sensors

Active stereo

- Stereo system where one camera is replaced with a projector.
- Projector outputs infrared pattern that makes correspondence easier.
 - Image 1 is known pattern of stripes (output of projector)
 - Image 2 is captured (see below)





L. Zhang, B. Curless, and S. M. Seitz. <u>Rapid Shape Acquisition Using Color Structured Light</u> and Multi-pass Dynamic Programming. *3DPVT* 2002

Time-of-flight sensors



Time-of-flight sensor - LiDAR



Active photometric stereo



Figure 1. (a) A cookie is pressed against the skin of an elastomer block. (b) The skin is distorted, as shown in this view from beneath. (c) The cookie's shape can be measured using photometric stereo and rendered at a novel viewpoint.

Active photometric sstereo



Fig. 1. (a) A parallel gripper WSG-50 with the new GelSight sensor gripping a chess Bishop.(b) Image captured by GelSight sensor during the grasp (c) The reconstructed 3D geometry from (b)