

The simplest mapping

• Cases of interest :

• weak motion model, strong sensing
= our car

• fair motion model, landmarks
= various SLAM algs

• visual sensing, no motion model
= S.F.M.

First case: weak motion model, strong sensing

landmarks

these could be beacons, etc :

Q: - in frame 1, I have
landmark locations $x_1 \dots x_N$

- in frame 2, I have
 $y_1 \dots y_N$

What happened to car?

Rotation + translation

so we have known

$$R x_i + t = y_i \text{ known.}$$

or rather

arguing R, t $\left(\sum_i (R x_i + t - y_i)^2 \right)$

you can solve this in closed form by
moment matching.

In particular

$$t = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i y_i - \frac{1}{N} \sum_i x_i = \mu_y - \mu_x$$

Rotation:

write

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^T - \mu_x^T \\ \vdots \\ x_N^T - \mu_x^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1^T - \mu_y^T \\ \vdots \\ y_N^T - \mu_y^T \end{pmatrix}$$

now consider

$$X^T X$$

$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{3 \times 3}$, second moments.

$$Y^T Y$$

we must have

$$\| R X^T X R^T - Y^T Y \|^2 \text{ is min}$$

$\therefore \mathbb{R}$

Recall

$$X = U \Sigma V^T$$

orthonormal \rightarrow U
 orthonormal \rightarrow V^T
 diagonal \rightarrow Σ

so $X^T X = V_x \Sigma^2 V_x^T$ etc.

so $\| R V_x \Sigma_x^2 V_x^T R^T - V_y \Sigma_y^2 V_y^T \|^2$

so $\| V_y^T R V_x \Sigma_x^2 V_x^T R^T V_y - \Sigma_y^2 \|^2$

so $V_y^T R V_x = Id$, so $R = V_y V_x^T$

Actually, you don't need 2 SVDs
consider $X^T Y = V_x \Sigma_x \underbrace{U_x^T U_y}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{If the points correspond,} \\ \text{these should cancel} \\ \text{to } I_{3 \times 3}}} \Sigma_y V_y^T$

So SVD ($X^T Y$) is good enough.

Issue: we don't usually have corresponding landmarks.

ICP = Iterated closest points

$$u_i = x_i$$

for each u_i , find closest y_i

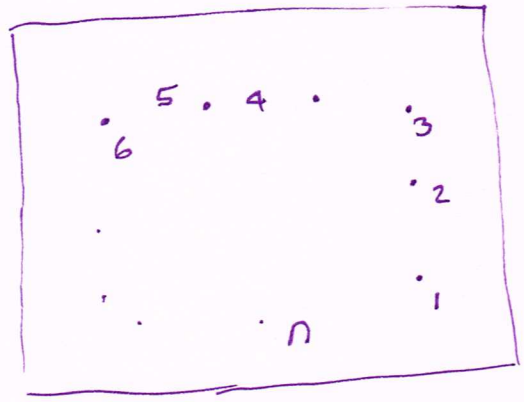
- compute R, t from u_i, y_i
- $u_i \rightarrow R x_i + t$.

Simple, popular, effective IF point sets
are close enough.

Variants from slides

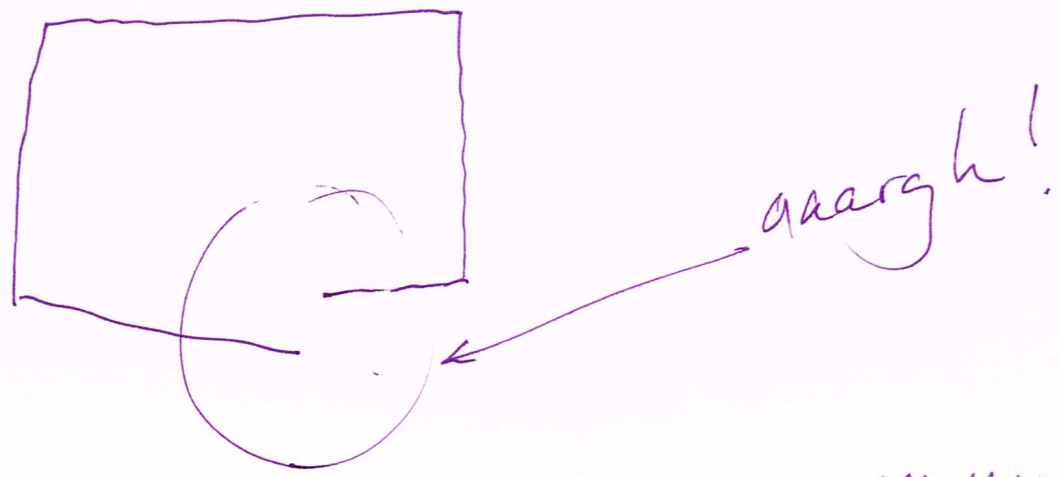
Bundle adjustment

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Get lidar at 1
now reg to 2
now reg to 1, 2

Q: Does loop close? (NO!)



Q: Why? - small errors accumulate.

Options: ease the R_{i+1}, t_{i+1} by:
- repeatedly taking obs. pts. from one location at random, re-est, R, t

Massive non-linear least squares

- we have correspondences for each pair of obs. locations.
- Fix one set of obs pts (i.e. one location)
- register all others to
 - this
 - one another
- by least squares on $R_{u \rightarrow v}$, $t_{u \rightarrow v}$

simple bundle adjustment

+ assume point csp's are known

coord frame

\underline{x}_i^k

point identity

(so we see point i in several frames)

+ we want best est. of \underline{x}_i^w ← world

+ write \underline{m}_i ← for \underline{x}_i^w

+ assume frame 1 is world

then

$$\sum_{k \text{ frames}} \sum_{\substack{i \in \text{pts.} \\ \text{vis}_{m_k}}} \left[R(\theta_k) \underline{x}_i^k + \underline{t}_k - \underline{m}_i \right]^2 = F(\theta_k, \underline{t}, \underline{m}_i)$$

Minimize this WRT $\theta_k, \underline{t}, \underline{m}$.

Iterate two phases

$$\hat{\theta}_k, \hat{t}^k = \operatorname{argmin} F(\theta_k, t; \hat{m}_i)$$

→ here we fix world points, adjust θ, t ;

• notice this decomposes. but isn't linear

$$\hat{m}_i = \operatorname{argmin} F(\hat{\theta}_k, \hat{t}^k; m_i)$$

← least squares

You can extend this to ICP if you choose

• a fixed number of points in world
coords

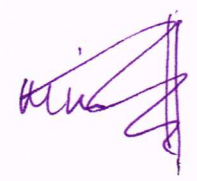
• initialize with map constructed above

• complicate w/ IRLS,

Notice:

- the solution for R, t works if points distances are weighted (easy arg - think of weighted moments of inertia)

- weighted case:



$\mu_x = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i w_i x_i$ $\mu_y = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i w_i y_i$

$\| R^T X^T W X R - Y^T W Y \|^2$

etc.

where

$W = \text{diag}[w_i]$

[if we care about $\sum_i w_i (R x_i + t - y_i)^2$]

Robustness:

- the square of a large number is very large.
- This means occasional large errors can dominate least squares fits
- hard to spot.

Strategy: M-estimator and IRLS.

currently:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Min}_{R,t} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \| (R x_i + t - y_i) \|^2 \\ & = \sum_i c(R x_i + t - y_i) \end{aligned}$$

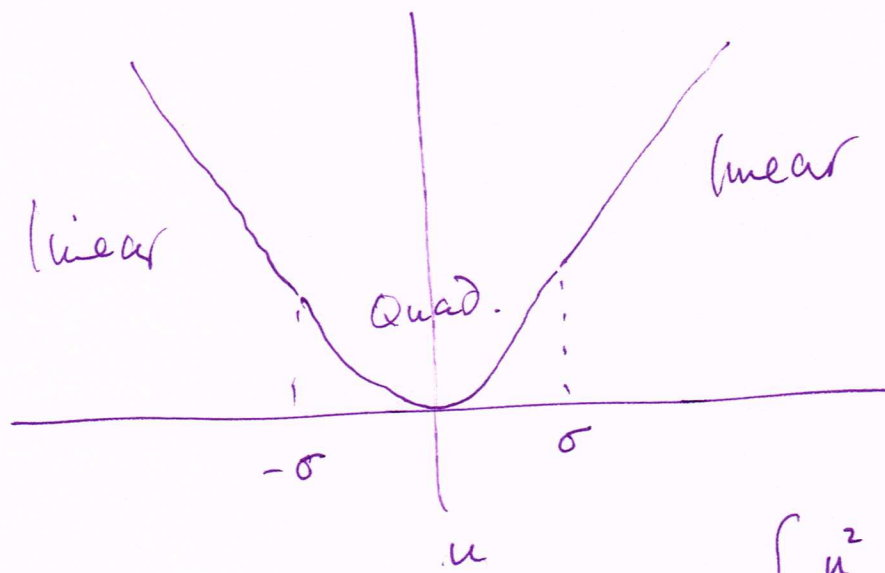
where

$$c(u) = \frac{\|u\|^2}{2}$$

alternative

$c(u) =$ fn of $\frac{\|u\|}{2}$ that looks like $\frac{\|u\|^2}{2}$ around 0, linear away.

Huber loss:



$$h(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{u^2}{2} & ; -\sigma \leq u \leq \sigma \\ \sigma|u| - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

use:

$$c(\sigma) = h(\|r\|)$$

optimization:

- Iteratively reweighted least squares

~~inner loop~~

IRLS for translation

$$\min_t \frac{1}{2} \sum_i w_i \|y_i - x_i - t\|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i w_i \|\delta_i - t\|^2 = F(t; w)$$



w/m est $\min_t \sum_i h(|\delta_i - t|) = G(t)$

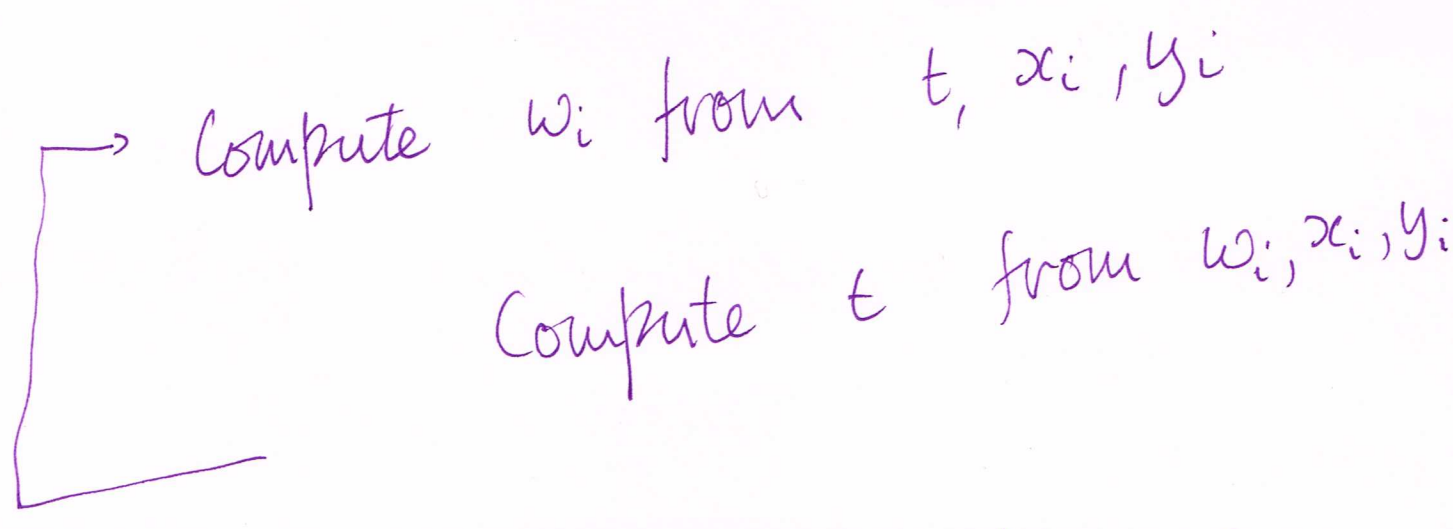
now want $\nabla_t F = 0 \Leftrightarrow \nabla_t G = 0$

$$\nabla_t F = \sum_i w_i (t - \delta_i)$$

$$\nabla_t G = \sum_i \frac{\partial h}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{1}{2|\delta_i - t|} \cdot (t - \delta_i)$$

So $w_i = \frac{\partial h}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{1}{2|\delta_i - t|}$

Alg:



This is harder for rotation, because a rotation matrix must satisfy constraints

• one strategy:

$$R(\text{small angles}) \approx I + A + \frac{1}{2} A^2 \dots$$

for A antisymmetric.

- find an initial rotation $R^{(0)}$
 now $R^{(i+1)} = R^{(i)} + R^{(i)} A$
 (unknown, antisymmetric)

Now to IRLS to get A
~~number~~ linear constraints OK.

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