

Photogrammetry & Robotics Lab

3D Coordinate Systems

(Bsc Geodesy & Geoinformation)

2. Passive Transformations and Local Systems

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Overview

- Group properties of transformations
- Active and passive transformations
- Original/global and local systems

For this video see Förstner/Wrobel (2016), p. 261-266, 284-285

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2.5 Transformation Groups

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Transformations are continuous groups

$$(\mathcal{T}_1 \circ \mathcal{T}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{M}_1 \circ \mathcal{M}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}, \dots)$$

- Group structure
 - Properties remain after inversion and concatenation
- Differentiation w.r.t parameters
 - allows uncertainty propagation

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Transformation groups (1/7)

A group is a set \mathcal{G} with an operation \circ

$$\{\mathcal{G}, \circ\}$$

Here:

- Elements $g \in \mathcal{G}$ are transformations (matrices)
- Operation \circ is concatenation (multiplication)

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Groups (2/7)

Properties

1. Closed

if $g_1, g_2 \in \mathcal{G}$ then $g_1 \circ g_2 \in \mathcal{G}$

2. Associative

$$g_1 \circ (g_2 \circ g_3) = (g_1 \circ g_2) \circ g_3$$

3. Unit element δ (here: unit matrix)

$$\delta \circ g = g \circ \delta = g$$

4. For each g exists inverse element g^{-1}

$$g \circ g^{-1} = g^{-1} \circ g = \delta$$

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Groups (3/7)

Here: non-abelian groups

(Norwegian mathematician Niels Henrik Abel, 1802-1829)

= non-commutative groups

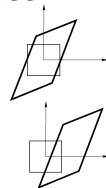
Classical groups

- General linear group of regular $n \times n$ matrices

$$\text{GL}(n) : \quad x' = Ax$$

- Affine general linear group (also $\text{Aff}(n)$)

$$\text{AGL}(n) : \quad x' = Ax + a$$

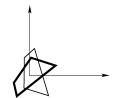


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Groups (4/7)

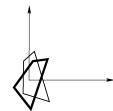
- Group of orthogonal transformations in 2D
= rotations including mirroring

$$\text{O}(2) : \quad x' = Rx \quad \text{with} \quad RR^T = I$$



- Special group of orthogonal transformations in 2D
= rotations without mirroring

$$\text{SO}(2) : \quad x' = Rx \quad \text{with} \quad RR^T = I \quad \text{and} \quad |R| = 1$$



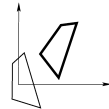
- Translations \mathcal{T} and dilations \mathcal{D}

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Groups (5/7): in homogeneous coordinates

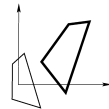
- Group $SE(2)$ motions \mathcal{M} in the 2D plane

$$\mathcal{M}(R, t) : M = \begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- Group \mathcal{S} of similarities

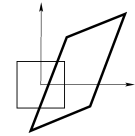
$$\mathcal{S}(R, t, \lambda) : S = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda R & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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Groups (6/7)

Geometric affine transformations



- Affine ($\in AGL(2)$) in non-homogeneous coordinates

$$\mathcal{A}(A, t) : x' = Ax + t$$

- Linear ($\in GL(3)$) in homogeneous coordinates

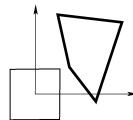
$$\mathcal{A}(A, t) : x' = Ax \quad \text{with} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} A & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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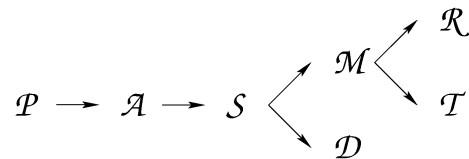
Groups (7/7)

Perspective transformations

$$\mathcal{P}(A, t, p) : P = \begin{bmatrix} A & t \\ p^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Geometric transformation hierarchy



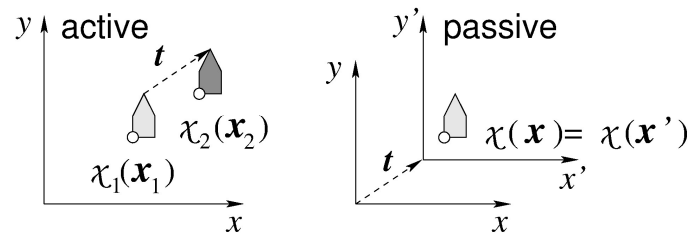
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2.6 Passive transformations and local coordinate systems

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Active and passive transformations

- Active: coordinate system $S(x, y)$ is fixed
point/object χ_1 moves to χ_2
- Passive: point/object is fixed
coordinate system $S_1(x', y')$ moves to $S_2(x'', y'')$



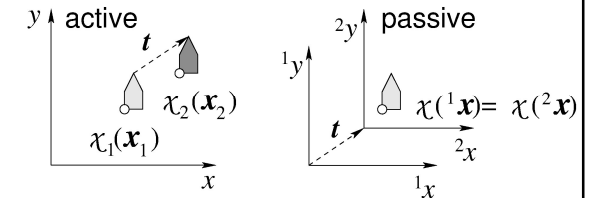
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Example: Translation

Active

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{t}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1$$



Passive

$${}^2\mathbf{x} = {}^1\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{t}$$

$${}^2\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^1\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} I & -\mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} {}^1\mathbf{x}$$

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Active and passive transformations

If active transformation is

$$\mathcal{M}: \mathbf{x}_2 = M(\mathbf{p})\mathbf{x}_1$$

then passive transformation with same parameters is

$$\mathcal{N}: {}^2\mathbf{x} = M^{-1}(\mathbf{p}) {}^1\mathbf{x},$$

with the inverse transformation matrix

Remark: here dilations/scalings are included

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Representation in original and local frame

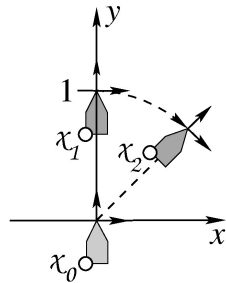
Representation of transformation may relate to

- Original coordinate system
- Last/local/carried with coordinate system

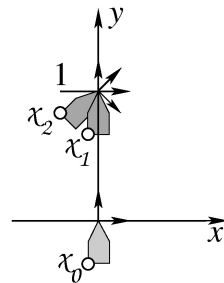
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Ex.: active translation then rotation

1. translation: $t = [0, 1]^T$, 2. rotation: $\phi = -45^\circ$



reference: original system

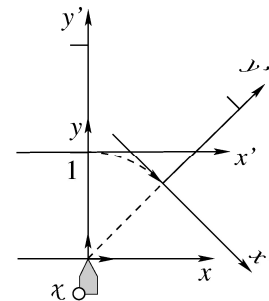


reference: local system

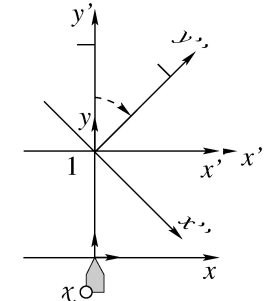
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Ex.: passive translation then rotation

1. translation: $t = [0, 1]^T$, 2. rotation: $\phi = -45^\circ$



reference: original system



reference: local system

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Concatenation of transformations

- Active and passive transformations
 - Reference of transformation to original and local/carried with system
- 4 cases A, B, C, and D (proofs below)

	original	local/carried with
active	A: $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{x}_0$	B: $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{x}_0$
passive	C: $\mathbf{x}'' = \mathbf{M}_1^{-1} \mathbf{M}_2^{-1} \mathbf{x}$	D: $\mathbf{x}'' = \mathbf{M}_2^{-1} \mathbf{M}_1^{-1} \mathbf{x}$

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Rules

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active	A: $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{x}_0$	B: $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{x}_0$
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A: active transformation, original system

→ multiplication with matrices from the left

B: active transformation, local/carried with system

→ multiplication with matrices from the right

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C: passive transformation, original system

→ multiplication with inverses from the right

D: passive transformation, local/carried with system

→ multiplication with inverses from the left

→ Proofs

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A: active transformations, original system

(see above)

1. transformation

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{x}_0.$$

2. transformation

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{x}_1.$$

combined

$$\boxed{\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{x}_0.}$$

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B: active transformations, local system

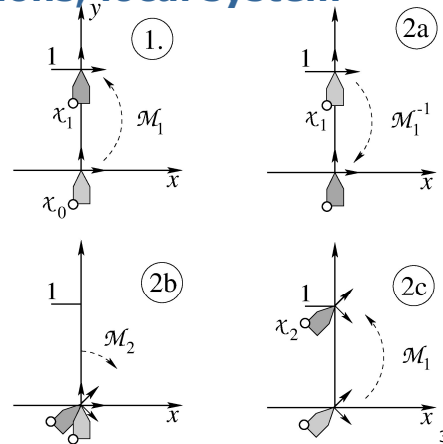
1. Transformation

2. Transformation

a) Inverse 1. transformation

b) Second transformation

c) First transformation



B: active transformations, local system

1. Transformation

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{x}_0.$$

2. Transformation in three steps

a) Inverse first transformation → origin

b) Second transformation

c) First transformation

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{M}_1^{-1} \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{M}_2 \underbrace{\mathbf{M}_1^{-1} \mathbf{M}_1}_I \mathbf{x}_0$$

combined

$$\boxed{\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{x}_0.}$$

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Passive transformations

Inverse transformation matrices

C: passive transformation in original system

Inverse of case A: $\mathbf{x}'' = (\mathbf{M}_2\mathbf{M}_1)^{-1}\mathbf{x}$

$$\mathbf{x}'' = \mathbf{M}_1^{-1}\mathbf{M}_2^{-1}\mathbf{x}$$

D: passive transformation in local system

Inverse of case B: $\mathbf{x}'' = (\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{M}_2)^{-1}\mathbf{x}$

$$\mathbf{x}'' = \mathbf{M}_2^{-1}\mathbf{M}_1^{-1}\mathbf{x}$$

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Summary of rules

	original	local/carried with
active	A: $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_2\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{x}_0$	B: $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{M}_2\mathbf{x}_0$
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A: multiply with **matrices** from the **left**

B: multiply with **matrices** from the **right**

C: multiply with **inverses** from the **right**

D: multiply with **inverses** from the **left**

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Comments

- Transformations build continuous groups
- We need to distinguish
 - Active and passive transformations
 - Motions incl. dilations
 - Coordinate transformations
 - Representations in the original and the local system
- Default: active transformations
- Concatenation rules

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Notation for transformations (1/4)

Problem: given $\mathcal{N}: {}^2\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}(p) {}^1\mathbf{x}$

Is \mathbf{M}^{-1} a passive or an inverse active transformation?

Conventions

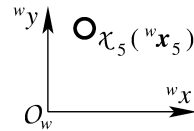
- Coordinates of points are vectors \mathbf{x} or \mathbf{x}
- Name of **point** is attached as **lower right** index
- Name of **coordinate system** is **upper left** index
- Transformations have indices, such that matrix and point have same upper and lower index

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Notation for transformations (2/4)

e.g. coordinates of point 5 in world system S_w

${}^w\mathbf{x}_5$



→ space for hats and underlining ☺

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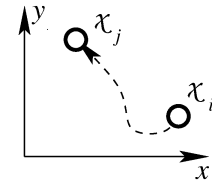
Notation for transformations (2/4)

Active transformation (in non-named system)

$${}_j\mathcal{M}^i : \quad \mathbf{x}_j = {}_j\mathbf{M}^i \mathbf{x}_i.$$

Inverse active transformation

$${}_i\mathcal{M}^j := \left({}_j\mathcal{M}^i\right)^{-1} : \quad {}_i\mathbf{M}^j = \left({}_j\mathbf{M}^i\right)^{-1}.$$



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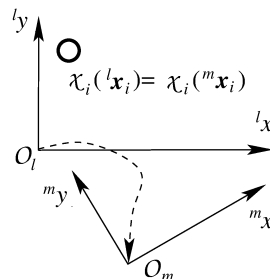
Notation for transformations (3/4)

- Passive transformation of point χ_i

$${}^m\mathcal{M}_l : \quad {}^m\mathbf{x}_i = {}^m\mathbf{M}_l {}^l\mathbf{x}_i.$$

- Inverse passive transformation

$${}^l\mathcal{M}_m = \left({}^m\mathcal{M}_l\right)^{-1} : \quad {}^l\mathbf{M}_m = \left({}^m\mathbf{M}_l\right)^{-1}$$



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Notation for transformations (4/4)

Relation between active and passive transformations
(enforcing the same indices, names of frames)

$${}_j\mathcal{M}_i = \left({}_j\mathcal{M}^i\right)^{-1} : \quad {}^j\mathbf{M}_i = \left({}_j\mathbf{M}^i\right)^{-1}.$$

→ Generally

$${}^j\mathbf{M}_i = {}_i\mathbf{M}^j$$

Matrix of motion from j to i =
matrix of coordinate transformation from i to j

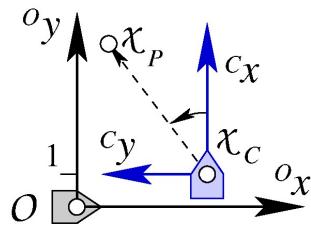
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Example: Car moving and observing

Car : at (4,1) looking in y-direction

Pole: at (1,5)

Q : in which direction is the pole seen from the car?



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Example: Car moving and observing

Car χ_C , viewing direction x-axis

Active motion: $S_O \rightarrow S_C : {}_C M^O$

translation by (4,1),

rotation by $+90^\circ$ in local system

described in local system: multiplication from right

$${}_C M^O = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_T \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ +1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 4 \\ +1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Example: Car moving and observing

Pole coordinates in car frame

Coordinate frame $S_O \rightarrow S_C$

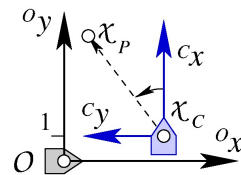
passive transformation of pole

$${}_C \mathbf{x}_P = {}_C M_O {}_O \mathbf{x}_P = ({}_C M^O)^{-1} {}_O \mathbf{x}_P$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 4 \\ +1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Direction = (0.6, 0.4) = 36.9° (to the left)

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Next lecture

3. Rotations - Overview, Rotation Matrices, Euler Angles

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