Sample Math Used in CS4243

The mathematics used in CS4243 are basically linear algebra, calculus, and probability. This summary contains a sampling of the math used.

1. Linear Algebra

• An element \mathbf{v} in an n-dimensional vector space V can be represented as a linear combination of n basis vectors:

$$\mathbf{v} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \, \mathbf{e}_i \tag{1}$$

where \mathbf{e}_i is a basis vector and a_i is the corresponding coefficient.

• Given a set of n vector \mathbf{x}_i , the mean of the vectors is

$$\mathbf{m} = E\{\mathbf{x}\} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{x}_{i}$$
 (2)

and the covariance matrix is

$$\mathbf{C} = E\{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{m})^T\} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T - \mathbf{m} \mathbf{m}^T$$
(3)

• An eigensystem relates a matrix **A** and a set of vectors \mathbf{e}_i by the equations

$$\mathbf{A}\,\mathbf{e}_i = \lambda_i\,\mathbf{e}_i \ . \tag{4}$$

The vectors \mathbf{e}_i are the eigenvectors and the corresponding λ_i are the eigenvalues.

• Consider a set of simultaneous equations

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \tag{5}$$

where **A** is an $N \times N$ matrix, **b** and **x** are vectors. This equation defines **A** as a mapping from the vector space **x** to the vector space **b**.

- If **A** is singular, then there is some subspace **x** that is mapped to zero, i.e., $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = 0$. This subspace is called the nullspace, and its dimensionality is called the nullity of **A**.
- The non-null subspace that is mapped from \mathbf{x} is called the range of \mathbf{A} and the dimensionality of the range is called the rank of \mathbf{A} .
- So, the rank plus the nullity of \mathbf{A} equals N.

• A 3D point W with world coordinate $\mathbf{X} = (X, Y, Z)^{\top}$ is mapped onto the camera coordinate system at $\mathbf{X}^c = (X^c, Y^c, Z^c)^{\top}$ by a rigid transformation

$$\mathbf{X}^c = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{T} \tag{6}$$

where $\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{R}_1^\top, \mathbf{R}_2^\top, \mathbf{R}_3^\top)^\top$ is the 3×3 rotation matrix and $\mathbf{T} = (T_X, T_Y, T_Z)^\top$ is the translation vector that relate the camera and the world coordinate frames.

• The rotation matrix can be specified in terms of three Euler angles, pitch (vertical angle) ω , yaw (horizontal angle) ϕ , and roll κ :

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\phi\cos\kappa & \sin\omega\sin\phi\cos\kappa + \cos\omega\sin\kappa & -\cos\omega\sin\phi\cos\kappa + \sin\omega\sin\kappa \\ -\cos\phi\sin\kappa & -\sin\omega\sin\phi\sin\kappa + \cos\omega\cos\kappa & \cos\omega\sin\phi\sin\kappa + \sin\omega\cos\kappa \\ \sin\phi & -\sin\omega\cos\phi & \cos\omega\cos\phi \end{bmatrix}$$

which is an othornormal matrix, i.e.,

$$\mathbf{R}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I} \tag{8}$$

where I is the identity matrix.

2. Calculus

• The gradient ∇f of a function f of two variables x and y is the first partial derivative with respect to x and y

$$\nabla f(x,y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} . \tag{9}$$

The magnitude of the gradient is

$$|\nabla f| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^2} \ . \tag{10}$$

• The Laplacian $\nabla^2 f$ of a function f of two variables x and y is

$$\nabla^2 f(x,y) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \ . \tag{11}$$

• The image of a moving object changes over time. Assuming small motion, the intensity E(x, y, t) at location (x, y) will remain constant, so that

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = 0. (12)$$

Using the chain rule for differentiation, we see that

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial x}\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial E}{\partial y}\frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = 0.$$
 (13)

3. Probability

• The notation P(H|E) denote the probability that H occurs given that evidence E has occurred. This conditional probability is defined by the joint probability P(H, E), that is, the probability that both H and E occur:

$$P(H|E) = \frac{P(H,E)}{P(E)} . \tag{14}$$

• From the definition of conditional probability, we have

$$P(E|H) = \frac{P(E,H)}{P(H)} = \frac{P(H,E)}{P(H)} . \tag{15}$$

Therefore,

$$P(H|E) P(E) = P(E|H) P(H)$$

$$\tag{16}$$

or

$$P(H|E) = \frac{P(E|H) P(H)}{P(E)}$$
(17)

which is known as the Bayes rule.

• The entropy E of a probability distribution P(i) is

$$E = -\sum_{i} P(i) \log P(i) . \tag{18}$$